

DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY U.S. ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS, SAVANNAH DISTRICT 1590 ADAMSON PARKWAY, SUITE 200 MORROW, GEORGIA 30260-1777 21 NOV 2017

Regulatory Branch SAS-2002-15750

## JOINT PUBLIC NOTICE Savannah District/State of Georgia

The Savannah District has received an application for a Department of the Army Permit, pursuant to Section 404 of the Clean Water Act (33 U.S.C. § 1344), as follows:

The comment period for the Department of the Army Permit application will close 30 days from the date of this public notice. Written comments, including suggestions for modifications or objections to the proposed work, stating reasons thereof, are being solicited from anyone having interest in this permit, and must be submitted so as to be received on or before the last day of the comment period. Written comments concerning the Department of the Army Permit application must reference the Applicant's name and the Permit Application Number, and be forwarded to the US Army Corps of Engineers (Corps) at the above address.

Application Number: SAS-2002-15750

- <u>Applicant</u>: Mr. David Sprinkle Duke Realty Limited Partnership 3715 Davinci Court, Suite 300 Peachtree Corners, Georgia 30092
- Agent: Mr. Mark Nelson Nelson Environmental, Inc. 7380 Spout Springs Road, Suite 210-215 Flowery Branch, Georgia 30542

Location of Proposed Work: The proposed project site (referred to as the "CUMC Site") is an approximately 145-acre property located east of Ben Hill Road and adjoining immediately to the west of the existing, approximately 400-acre Camp Creek Business Center (CCBC) commercial-industrial development, within the City of College Park, Fulton County, Georgia (latitude 33.6467, longitude -84.5122).

<u>Description of Work Subject to the Jurisdiction of the Corps</u>: The proposed project would include the construction of two one-story warehouse/office/distribution buildings with attendant infrastructure. The smaller building would be approximately 250,000 square feet in size, and the larger building would be 870,000 square feet in size. The

Applicant has characterized the proposed activity as an expansion of the previously master-planned CCBC. Development of the "CUMC Site", as proposed, would result in the loss of 1.66 acre of wetlands, 828 linear feet of perennial stream, 817 linear feet of intermittent streams, and 1,613 linear feet of ephemeral streams. The Applicant proposes to off-set proposed impacts to project aquatic resources through the purchase of 13.4 wetland mitigation credits and 7,982.1 stream mitigation credits from an approved compensatory mitigation bank(s) servicing the project watershed.

## BACKGROUND

This Joint Public Notice announces a request for authorizations from both the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers and the State of Georgia. The applicant's proposed work may also require local governmental approval.

Implementation of the final phase of the original master plan for the CCBC was completed following a permit authorization issued on July 24, 2017. To date, four (4) prior Corps permit actions have authorized cumulative project impacts to 1.54 acres of wetlands and 3,219 linear feet streams within the overall CCBC development. The proposed construction involves work on a property not previously included within the original master plan, or considered in the Corps' scope of analysis for alternatives or assessment of cumulative project impacts. As the current application considers the project solely an expansion of the existing development, no practicable alternatives to the proposed work have been considered by the Applicant.

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<u>Water Quality Certification</u>: The Georgia Department of Natural Resources, Environmental Protection Division, intends to certify this project at the end of 30 days in accordance with the provisions of Section 401 of the Clean Water Act, which is required for a Federal Permit to conduct activity in, on, or adjacent to the waters of the State of Georgia. Copies of the application and supporting documents relative to a specific application will be available for review and copying at the office of the Georgia Department of Natural Resources, Georgia Environmental Protection Division, Watershed Protection Branch, 7 MLK, Jr. Drive, Suite 450, Atlanta, Georgia 30334, during regular office hours. A copier machine is available for public use at a charge of 25 cents per page. Any person who desires to comment, object, or request a public hearing relative to State Water Quality Certification must do so within 30 days of the State's receipt of application in writing and state the reasons or basis of objections or request for a hearing. The application can also be reviewed in the Savannah District, US Army Corps of Engineers, Regulatory Branch, 1590 Adamson Parkway, Suite 200, Morrow, Georgia 30260-1777. <u>State-owned Property and Resources</u>: The applicant may also require assent from the State of Georgia, which may be in the form of a license, easement, lease, permit or other appropriate instrument.

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The Savannah District must consider the purpose and the impacts of the applicant's proposed work, prior to a decision on issuance of a Department of the Army Permit.

<u>Cultural Resources Assessment</u>: Review of the latest published version of the National Register of Historic Places indicates that no registered properties or properties listed as eligible for inclusion are located at the site or in the area affected by the proposed work. Presently unknown archaeological, scientific, prehistorical or historical data may be located at the site and could be affected by the proposed work.

Endangered Species: Pursuant to Section 7(c) of the Endangered Species Act of 1973, as amended (16 U.S.C. § 1531 et seq.), we request information from the U.S. Department of the Interior, Fish and Wildlife Service, the U.S. Department of Commerce, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, National Marine Fisheries Service; or, any other interested party, on whether any species listed or proposed for listing may be present in the area.

<u>Public Interest Review</u>: The decision whether to issue a permit will be based on an evaluation of the probable impact, including cumulative impacts, of the proposed activity on the public interest. That decision will reflect the national concern for both protection and utilization of important resources. The benefit, which reasonably may be expected to accrue from the proposal, must be balanced against its reasonably foreseeable detriments. All factors, which may be relevant to the proposal will be considered including the cumulative effects thereof; among those are conservation, economics, aesthetics, general environmental concerns, wetlands, historic properties, fish and wildlife values, flood hazards, floodplain values, land use, navigation, shoreline erosion and accretion, recreation, water supply and conservation, water quality, energy needs, safety, food and fiber production, mineral needs, considerations of property ownership and in general, the needs and welfare of the people.

<u>Consideration of Public Comments</u>: The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers is soliciting comments from the public; federal, state, and local agencies and officials; Native American Tribes; and other interested parties in order to consider and evaluate the impacts of this proposed activity. Any comments received will be considered by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers to determine whether to issue, modify, condition or deny a permit for this proposal. To make this decision, comments are used to assess impacts on endangered species, historic properties, water quality, general environmental effects, and the other public interest factors listed above. Comments are used in the preparation of an Environmental Assessment and/or an Environmental

Impact Statement pursuant to the National Environmental Policy Act. Comments are also used to determine the need for a public hearing and to determine the overall public interest of the proposed activity.

<u>Application of Section 404(b)(1) Guidelines</u>: The proposed activity involves the discharge of dredged or fill material into the waters of the United States. The Savannah District's evaluation of the impact of the activity on the public interest will include application of the guidelines promulgated by the Administrator, Environmental Protection Agency, under the authority of Section 404(b) of the Clean Water Act.

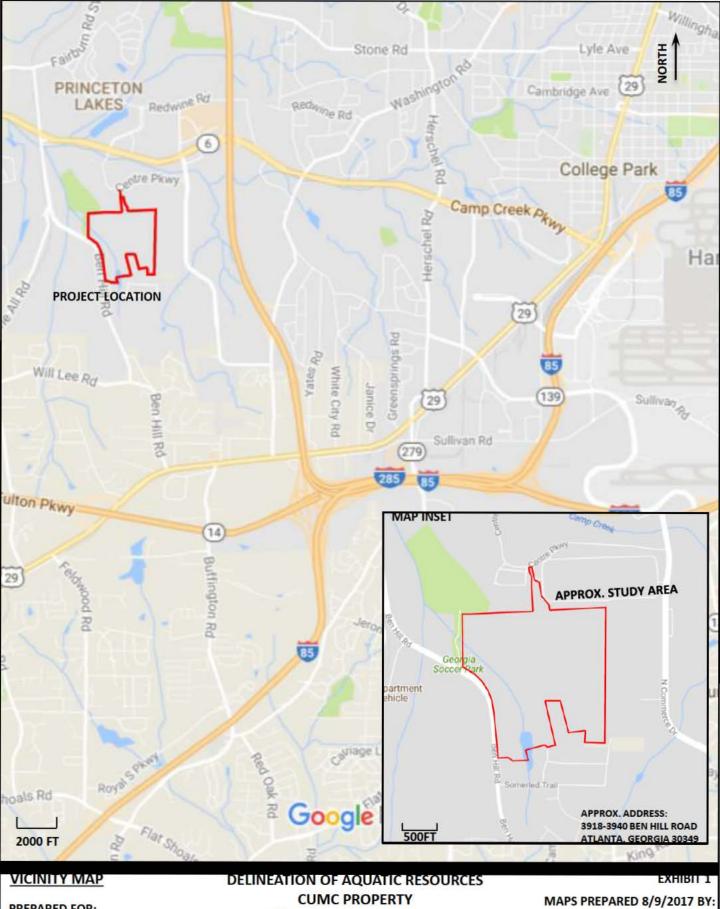
<u>Public Hearing</u>: Any person may request, in writing, within the comment period specified in this notice, that a public hearing be held to consider this application for a Department of the Army permit. Requests for public hearings shall state, with particularity, the reasons for requesting a public hearing. The decision whether to hold a public hearing is at the discretion of the District Engineer, or his designated appointee, based on the need for additional substantial information necessary in evaluating the proposed project.

<u>Comment Period</u>: Anyone wishing to comment on this application for a Department of the Army Permit should submit comments in writing to: Commander, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Savannah District, Attention: Adam White, 1590 Adamson Parkway, Suite 200, Morrow, Georgia 30260-1777, no later than **30 days** from the date of this notice. Please refer to the Applicant's name (Duke Realty Limited Partnership) and the application number (SAS-2002-15750) in your comments.

If you have any further questions concerning this public notice, please contact Adam F. White, Project Manager, Piedmont Section at 678-422-2730, or adam.f.white@usace.army.mil.

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- 1. Exhibit 1 Vicinity Map, Delineation of Aquatic Resources, CUMC Property
- 2. Exhibit 2 Aerial Photograph, CUMC Site, Camp Creek Business Center
- 3. Exhibit 3 USGS Quad Map, CUMC Site, Camp Creek Business Center
- 4. Exhibit 5 Proposed Conditions Map, CUMC Site, Camp Creek Business Center
- 5. Exhibit 6 Proposed Conditions Map, CUMC Site, Camp Creek Business Center



**PREPARED FOR:** MR. DAVID SPRINKLE DUKE REALTY, INC.

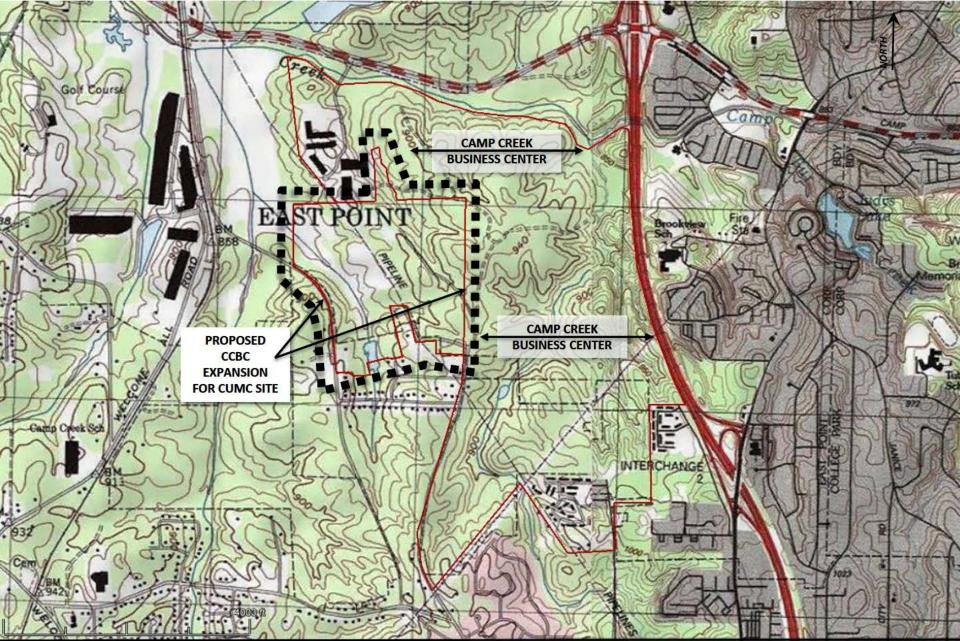
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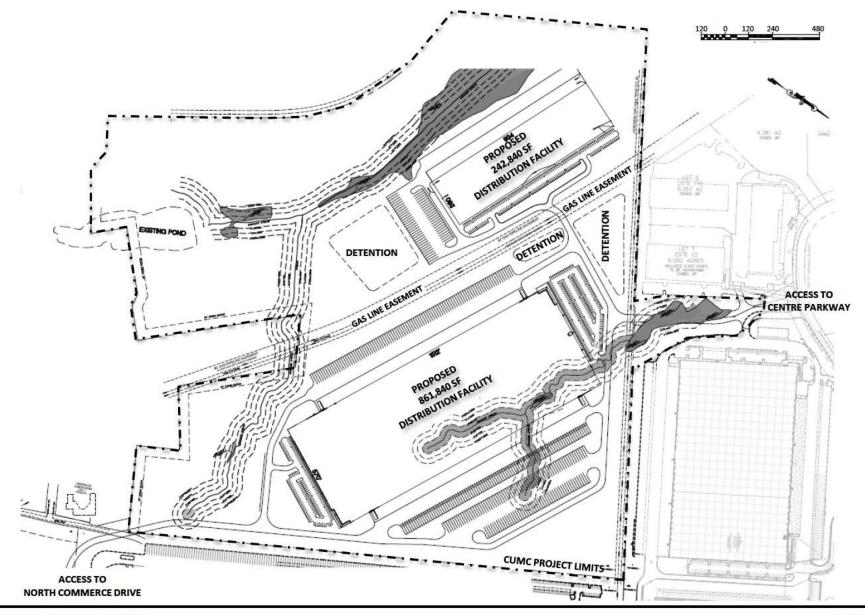
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#### USGS QUAD MAP APPLICANT: DUKEREALTY PEACHTREE CORNERS, GEORGIA

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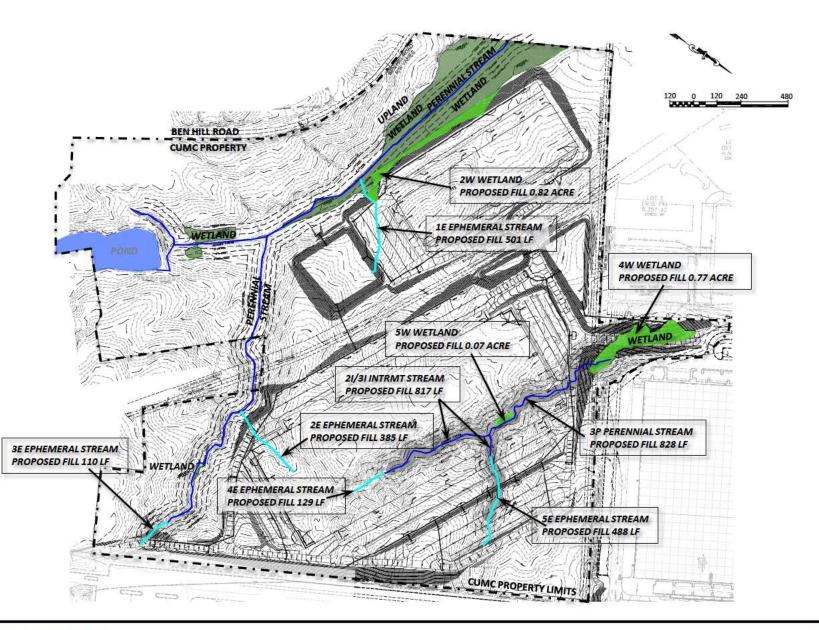
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#### PROPOSED CONDITIONS MAP



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