



STATE OF TENNESSEE
DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENT AND CONSERVATION
DIVISION OF WATER RESOURCES

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July 25, 2023

Christian Juru
Tennessee Department of Transportation
505 Deaderick Street
Suite 900 J.K. Polk Building
Nashville, TN 37243

RE: ARAP Applicant's Responsibility for Public Notification
SR-222, PIN 132709.00, PE # R4S222-S1-002
NRS23.159, Unnamed Tributary to Big Muddy Creek; Haywood County

Dear Mr. Juru:

Thank you for your Aquatic Resource Alteration Permit application submitted to the Division of Water Resources on June 8, 2023. The Division is ready to begin the public notice process to allow for public comment on the proposed activities described below, and will post a public notice on our website within one week of the date of this letter (see <http://tn.gov/environment/topic/ppo-water>).

The Rules of the Tennessee Board of Water Quality, Oil, and Gas require the applicant to publish the enclosed public notice one time in the legal notices section of a local newspaper of general circulation. The applicant bears responsibility for any associated costs. The applicant is also required to post and maintain a state issued sign for 30 days where it is legible from a public road near the proposed activity. The public notice sign may be obtained at the Jackson Environmental Field Office (731-512-1300). Using a permanent marker, complete the blank areas on both sides of the public notice sign with the following information:

Applicant: Tennessee Department of Transportation
File#: NRS23.159
Proposes to: Permanently impact two streams for widening of State Route 222
Comment Period: (date posted) through (30 days after date posted)

Please Note: State-issued public notification signs are available at any of the Division's Environmental Field offices.

Once the notice has been posted for the required period of time, you must provide proof the public notification requirements have been met, including proof of newspaper publication and photographic evidence of the sign. Required photographic evidence of the sign includes two photographs, one photograph demonstrating the lettering on the sign is clear and legible and one photograph establishing sign location. Proof of publication should be submitted within 45 days of receipt of this letter, failure to do so will result in suspension of application processing and possible termination of your application. We cannot take final action on your application until after the public comment period has expired (30 days after the public notice has been published).

Thank you for your attention to these details, and fulfilling your obligations in the public notice process. If you have any questions, please contact me at (615) 804-2409.

Sincerely,



Alicia Douglas
Natural Resources Unit

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