

REGIONAL REVIEW FINDING

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DATE: DECEMBER 13, 2023

TO:

CHAIRWOMAN LISA CUPID, Cobb County Commission

ATTN TO:

ANDREW HEATH, PE, Cobb County

FROM:

Anna Roach, Executive Director, Atlanta Regional Commission

ARC has completed a regional review of the following proposal and made the below finding. ARC reviewed the proposed project's relationship to regional plans, goals, and policies and impacts it might have on the activities, plans, goals, and policies of other local jurisdictions and state, federal, and other agencies.

Name of Proposal: RC-23-03CC 810 Atlanta Country Club Drive

Submitting Local Government: Cobb County

Date Opened: November 24, 2023

Date Closed: December 13, 2023

<u>FINDING:</u> ARC staff have completed a review of an application for a MRPA Certificate for this proposed project in the Chattahoochee River Corridor. ARC's finding is that the project is consistent with the Chattahoochee River Corridor Plan.

Additional Comments: Attached comments received from the National Park Service make the following recommendations: wash and clean all construction equipment that may transport unwanted pests before being brought on-site and use only native grass seed for construction area stablization; use native plants for project landscaping; follow Best Management Practices for erosion and sedimentation control; construct the driveway of pervious materials; and limit development within the 500-year floodplain adjacent to the 100-year floodplain.

THE FOLLOWING LOCAL GOVERNMENTS AND AGENCIES RECEIVED NOTICE OF THIS REVIEW:

ATLANTA REGIONAL COMMISSION

NATIONAL PARK SERVICE CITY OF MARIETTA GEORGIA DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCE

GEORGIA CONSERVANCY

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CHATTAHOOCHEE RIVERKEEPER

COBB COUNTY

CITY OF SANDY SPRINGS

If you have any questions regarding this review, please contact Donald Shockey at (470) 378-1531 or dshockey@atlantaregional.org. This finding will be published to the ARC website at https://atlantaregional.org/plan-reviews.



United States Department of the Interior

National Park Service Chattahoochee River National Recreation Area 1978 Island Ford Parkway Sandy Springs, GA 30350



IN REPLY REFER TO:

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November 29, 2023

Donald Shockey Atlanta Regional Commission 229 Peachtree Street NE Suite 100 Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Dear Mr. Shockey:

This letter is a notification of receipt of the MRPA Review Notification RC-23-03CC 810 Atlanta County Club Drive in Cobb County, Georgia. This project will involve construction of two-story single-family home with a garage, driveway, parking area, and deck. The analysis estimates that 24,277 sqft of land disturbance and 13,406 sqft of impervious area meet the criteria for vulnerability categories C and E.

Congress established the Chattahoochee River National Recreation Area (CRNRA), a unit of the National Park Service (NPS), in 1978 to assure the preservation and protection of a 48-mile stretch of the Chattahoochee River from Buford Dam to Peachtree Creek. CRNRA consists of the river and its bed along with the lands, waters, and interests within the park's authorized boundary. Congress expressly provided the Secretary of the Interior, acting through the National Park Service (NPS) and CRNRA, with the authority to protect the "natural, scenic, recreation, historic and other values" of the Chattahoochee River. We are concerned that the project could cause detrimental impacts to park resources if proper Best Management Practices (BMPs) are not followed and maintained. It is with these concerns in mind that NPS offers the following comments and recommendations:

Introduce/Promote Non-native Species

Construction activities have the potential to transport exotic invasive plant and animal species. **Recommendation:** We request that all equipment be washed and cleaned of mud and debris that may transport unwanted pests before being brought on-site. The NPS encourages the project applicant to use only native grass seed or native vegetation for stabilizing the project area following construction. Non-native species are easily transported downstream.

Landscaping with Native Species

Landscaping with native plant species provides a beautiful, hardy, drought resistant yard that benefits the natural environment. It requires less water, fertilizer, and pesticides, therefore costing less in maintenance. Furthermore, native plants promote stewardship of our natural heritage by supporting pollinators, birds, and other wildlife while supporting biological diversity and ecological functions.

Recommendation: NPS encourages the use native plant species for landscaping to reduce the spread of exotic species into natural areas.

Erosion and Sedimentation

In general, to protect the stream and water quality during construction, Best Management Practices (BMPs) should be designed and implemented to comply with the standards and specifications outlined in the *Manual for Erosion and Sediment Control in Georgia* (Georgia Soil and Water Conservation Commission). An approved erosion and sedimentation control plan should be implemented before soil disturbances occur within the project site to avoid violating the Erosion and Sedimentation Act of 1975.

Currently, the Chattahoochee River near the proposed project site is listed as impaired on the state of Georgia's 303(d) listing for not fully meeting its designated uses. CRNRA is vested in improving the current state of this water body, and any addition of sediment or run-off would further disrupt the current water quality condition. Caution is advised to prevent a flush of sediment deposits during the construction process.

Recommendation: After proper installation, continued and unfailing maintenance and repair of the BMP's should be guaranteed in order to ensure their effectiveness and specifically to control, as far as possible, the effects of this project on the river.

<u>Installation of Impervious Surface</u>

The addition of impervious surface contributes to the growing problem of uncontrolled storm water runoff and resulting pollutant loads. This leads to adverse effects on hydrology and ecological functions of the Chattahoochee River and its tributaries.

Recommendation: We request that the applicant seriously consider constructing driveway of pervious materials.

500-year Floodplain Development

Climate change is altering the probability thresholds that have been previously used to set the risk of flooding. This will cause an expansion of the 100-year and 500-year floodplain. This project avoids development within the current 100-year floodplain; however, sections of the house, garage, and concrete driveway are planned to be developed within the 500-year floodplain.

Recommendation: NPS encourages the applicant to limit development within the 500-year floodplain adjacent to the 100-year floodplain.

We appreciate your consideration of these comments. Please feel free to contact park's Chief of Planning, Resources, and Education, Beth Wheeler, directly if you have any questions or concerns that we could help to address. She can be reached at 678-538-1321 or by email at Beth_Wheeler@nps.gov.

Sincerely,

Ann Honious Superintendent

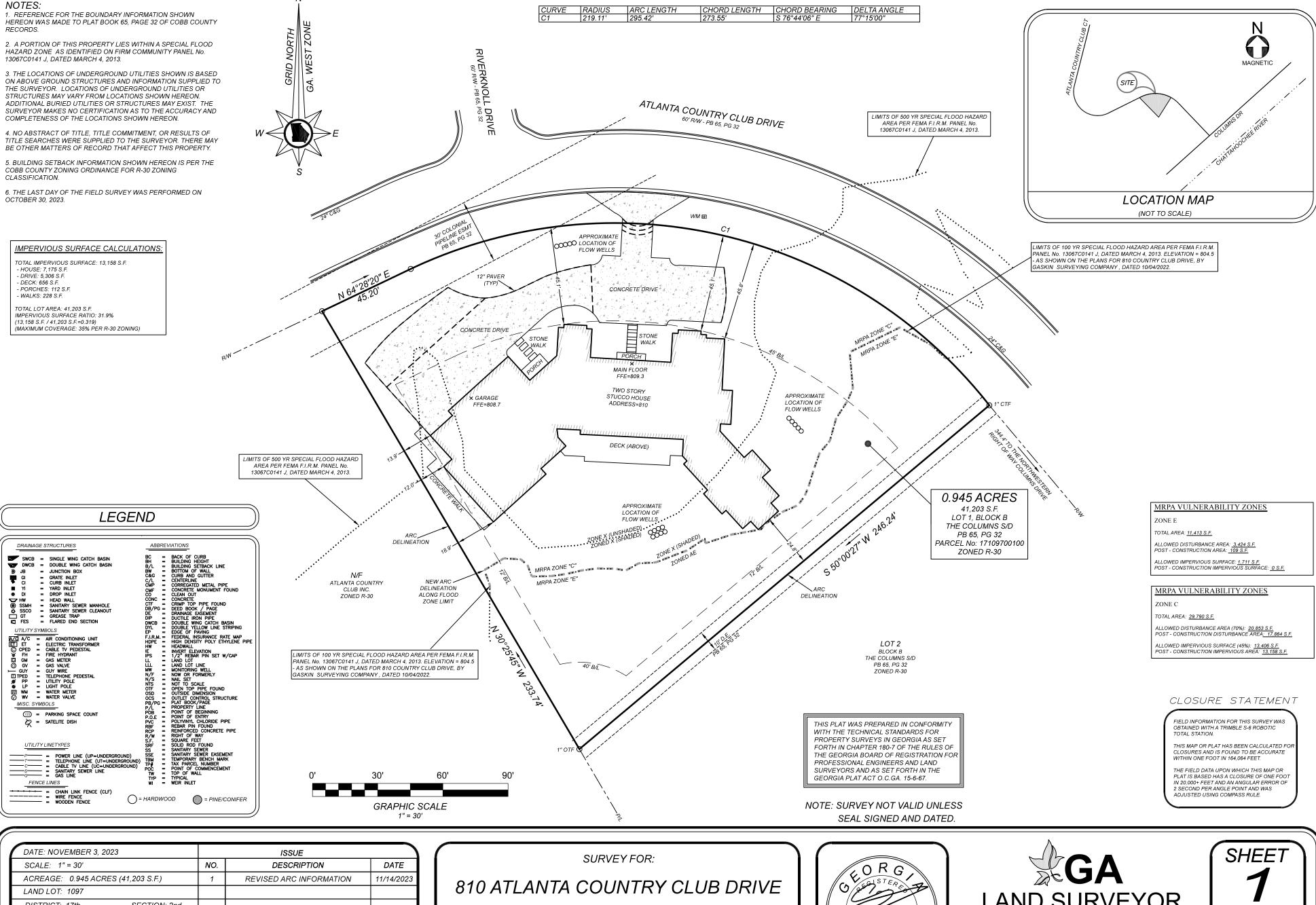
APPLICATION FOR METROPOLITAN RIVER PROTECTION ACT CERTIFICATE

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	NOTE: The 100-year river floodplain is defined as the natural land surface below the one hundred- (100) year flood elevations shown in the Flood Profiles of the most recent
	floodplain study for the Chattahoochee River approved by the United States Federal Emergency Management Agency for each Corridor jurisdiction. NOTE: All river 100-year floodplain is assigned to the "E" Category; its allowable allocations can be combined with those of other "E" land in the review. Also, 100-year floodplain cannot be reanalyzed and cannot accept transfers.
10.	Is any of this land within the 500-year floodplain of the Chattahoochee River?Yes
	If "yes", indicate the 500-year flood plain elevation:
	NOTE: The 500-year floodplain is defined as the natural land surface below the five hundred- (500) year flood elevations shown in the Flood Profiles of the most recent floodplain study for the Chattahoochee River approved by the United States Federal Emergency Management Agency for each Corridor jurisdiction.
	NOTE: Plan Standards include a 35-foot height limit above the pre-construction grade within the 500-year floodplain (includes the 100-year floodplain). Adherence to this standard must be noted on the submitted plans (see Part 2.B.(4) of the Chattahoochee Corridor Plan).
11.	The following is a checklist of information required to be attached as part of the application. Individual items may be combined.
FO	R ALL APPLICATIONS:
	Description of land in the application and any additional land in the project (attach legal description or surveyed boundaries).
	Name, address, and phone number(s) of owner(s) of record of the land in the application. (Space provided on this form)
-	_ Written consent of all owners to this application. (Space provided on this form)
	Name, address, and phone number(s) of applicant or applicant's agent. (Space provided on this form)
	_ Description of proposed use(s). (Space provided on this form)
	_ Existing vegetation plan.
	Proposed grading plan.
	_ Certified as-builts of all existing land disturbance and impervious surfaces.
	_ Approved erosion control plan.
	Detailed table of land-disturbing activities. (Both on this form and on the plans)

	and rights-of -way; 100- and 500-year river floodplain boundaries; topography; any other information that w	• • • •
	Documentation on adjustments, if any.	
	Cashier's check or money order (for application fee).	
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	Lot-by-lot and non-lot allocation tables.	
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DISTRICT: 17th SECTION: 2nd CITY: N/A COUNTY: COBB STATE: GEORGIA DRAWN: MJS SURVEYED: AH APPROVED: CAM CHECKED: PROJECT #: 23-280

LOT 1, BLOCK B, THE COLUMNS S/D LAND LOT 1097, 17th DISTRICT, 2nd DISTRICT, COBB COUNTY, GEORGIA PARCEL No: 17109700100



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