Minutes
Environmental Protection Committee
Lake Blackshear Resort Conference Center
Ballroom C
2459-H US Highway 280 West
Cordele, GA 31015

December 4, 2019

Attendees:

**Committee Members**
Ray Lambert, Chair
William Bagwell, Vice Chair
Rob Leebern
Aaron McWhorter
Mark Mobley
Brother Stewart
Dee Yancey
Bodine Sinyard, Board Chair, Ex-officio

**Staff Members**
Mark Williams, Commissioner
Walter Rabon
Kyle Pearson
Wes Robinson
Cathy Barnette
Amber Carter
Thomas Barnard
Jeff Cown
Dave Crass
Steve Friedman
Rusty Garrison
Doug Haymans
Ted Will
Richard Dunn, Director
Lauren Curry
Jac Capp
Chuck Mueller

**Board Members**
Nancy Addison
Dwight Evans
Joe Hatfield
Duncan Johnson
Bill Jones
Tim Lowe
Billy New
Paul Shailendra
Miki Thomaston

**Guests**
Bryan Tolar, Georgia Urban Ag Council
Josh Hildebrandt, Office of the Governor
Jessica Rutledge, Flint Riverkeeper
Rena Ann Peck, Georgia River Network/Georgia Water Trails
The December 4, 2019 meeting of the Environmental Protection Committee was called to order by Chairman Bodine Sinyard.

Chairman Sinyard called on Ray Lambert, Chairman of the Environmental Protection Committee, who called on Chuck Mueller, Chief of the Land Protection Branch, to present the Proposed Amendments to the Rules for Hazardous Waste Management, Chapter 391-3-11.

Mr. Mueller stated EPD must periodically update its Hazardous Waste Rules to reflect new federal regulations and maintain primacy for its hazardous waste programs. He further stated the proposed amendments are incorporated by reference the regulations published by the USEPA through February 22, 2019. He added the proposed amendments focus on confidentiality determinations for hazardous waste export and import documents, electronic-manifest fee rule, safe management of recalled airbags, post-closure permit requirement and closure process, pharmaceutical rule, and an update to clarify coal combustion residue (CCR) is not a hazardous waste.

Mr. Mueller stated the briefing of the Environmental Committee was held at the August 27, 2019 meeting, a public hearing was held on September 24, 2019, and the public comment period closed September 30, 2019. He further stated one comment was received by a member of the regulated community in favor of adopting the pharmaceutical rule. He added he is requesting favorable consideration of the rule amendment at this time.

A motion was made by Mr. Bagwell, seconded by Mr. Yancey, and carried unanimously that the Committee recommend that the Board adopt the Resolution to approve the proposed amendments to the Rules for Hazardous Waste Management, Chapter 391-3-11.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.