

### Notice of Completion & Environmental Document Transmittal

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**SCH # 2016122047**

**Project Title:** Lower Klamath Project License Surrender

Lead Agency: State Water Resources Control Board

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City: Sacramento

Zip: 95812

County: Sacramento

**Project Location:** County: Siskiyou

City/Nearest Community: Yreka

Cross Streets: Copco Road and Ager-Beswick Road

Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Longitude/Latitude (degrees, minutes and seconds): 122 ° 22 ' 05 " N / 41 ° 58 ' 20 " W Total Acres: ~8,000

Assessor's Parcel No.: \_\_\_\_\_ Section: \_\_\_\_\_ Twp.: \_\_\_\_\_ Range: \_\_\_\_\_ Base: \_\_\_\_\_

Within 2 Miles: State Hwy #: \_\_\_\_\_ Waterways: Klamath River

Airports: \_\_\_\_\_ Railways: \_\_\_\_\_ Schools: \_\_\_\_\_

**Document Type:**

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| CEQA: <input type="checkbox"/> NOP   | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Draft EIR      | NEPA: <input type="checkbox"/> NOI | Other: <input type="checkbox"/> Joint Document |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Early Cons  | <input type="checkbox"/> Supplement/Subsequent EIR | <input type="checkbox"/> EA        | <input type="checkbox"/> Final Document        |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Neg Dec     | (Prior SCH No.) 2016122047                         | <input type="checkbox"/> Draft EIS | <input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____          |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Mit Neg Dec | Other: Recirculated portions of Draft EIR          | <input type="checkbox"/> FONSI     |  |

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**Local Action Type:**

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| <input type="checkbox"/> General Plan Update    | <input type="checkbox"/> Specific Plan            | <input type="checkbox"/> Rezone                            | <input type="checkbox"/> Annexation                          |
| <input type="checkbox"/> General Plan Amendment | <input type="checkbox"/> Master Plan              | <input type="checkbox"/> Prezone                           | <input type="checkbox"/> Redevelopment                       |
| <input type="checkbox"/> General Plan Element   | <input type="checkbox"/> Planned Unit Development | <input type="checkbox"/> Use Permit                        | <input type="checkbox"/> Coastal Permit                      |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Community Plan         | <input type="checkbox"/> Site Plan                | <input type="checkbox"/> Land Division (Subdivision, etc.) | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other: 401 Certification |

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**Development Type:**

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Residential: Units _____ Acres _____                 | <input type="checkbox"/> Transportation: Type _____  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Office: Sq.ft. _____ Acres _____ Employees _____     | <input type="checkbox"/> Mining: Mineral _____   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Commercial: Sq.ft. _____ Acres _____ Employees _____ | <input type="checkbox"/> Power: Type _____ MW _____  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Industrial: Sq.ft. _____ Acres _____ Employees _____ | <input type="checkbox"/> Waste Treatment: Type _____ MGD _____                             |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Educational: _____                                   | <input type="checkbox"/> Hazardous Waste: Type _____                                       |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Recreational: _____                                  | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other: Removal of four dams and associated facilities. |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Water Facilities: Type _____ MGD _____               |  |

**Project Issues Discussed in Document:**

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Aesthetic/Visual         | <input type="checkbox"/> Fiscal                     | <input type="checkbox"/> Recreation/Parks                | <input type="checkbox"/> Vegetation                     |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Agricultural Land        | <input type="checkbox"/> Flood Plain/Flooding       | <input type="checkbox"/> Schools/Universities            | <input type="checkbox"/> Water Quality                  |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Air Quality   | <input type="checkbox"/> Forest Land/Fire Hazard    | <input type="checkbox"/> Septic Systems                  | <input type="checkbox"/> Water Supply/Groundwater       |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Archeological/Historical | <input type="checkbox"/> Geologic/Seismic           | <input type="checkbox"/> Sewer Capacity                  | <input type="checkbox"/> Wetland/Riparian               |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Biological Resources     | <input type="checkbox"/> Minerals                   | <input type="checkbox"/> Soil Erosion/Compaction/Grading | <input type="checkbox"/> Growth Inducement              |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Coastal Zone             | <input type="checkbox"/> Noise                      | <input type="checkbox"/> Solid Waste                     | <input type="checkbox"/> Land Use                       |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Drainage/Absorption      | <input type="checkbox"/> Population/Housing Balance | <input type="checkbox"/> Toxic/Hazardous                 | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Cumulative Effects  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Economic/Jobs            | <input type="checkbox"/> Public Services/Facilities | <input type="checkbox"/> Traffic/Circulation             | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other: GHG & Energy |

**Present Land Use/Zoning/General Plan Designation:**

Agriculture – Grazing, Forestry Resources, Open Space – Natural Resources, Rural Residential, and Commercial – Services

Project Description: (please use a separate page if necessary)

See Attachment A.

Note: The State Clearinghouse will assign identification numbers for all new projects. If a SCH number already exists for a project (e.g. Notice of Preparation or previous draft document) please fill in.

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If you have already sent your document to the agency please denote that with an "S".

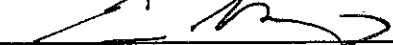
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Air Resources Board	<input type="checkbox"/> Office of Historic Preservation
<input type="checkbox"/> Boating & Waterways, Department of	<input type="checkbox"/> Office of Public School Construction
<input type="checkbox"/> California Emergency Management Agency	<input type="checkbox"/> Parks & Recreation, Department of
<input type="checkbox"/> California Highway Patrol	<input type="checkbox"/> Pesticide Regulation, Department of
<input type="checkbox"/> Caltrans District # _____	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Public Utilities Commission
<input type="checkbox"/> Caltrans Division of Aeronautics	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Regional WQCB # <u>1</u>
<input type="checkbox"/> Caltrans Planning	<input type="checkbox"/> Resources Agency
<input type="checkbox"/> Central Valley Flood Protection Board	<input type="checkbox"/> Resources Recycling and Recovery, Department of
<input type="checkbox"/> Coachella Valley Mtns. Conservancy	<input type="checkbox"/> S.F. Bay Conservation & Development Comm.
<input type="checkbox"/> Coastal Commission	<input type="checkbox"/> San Gabriel & Lower L.A. Rivers & Mtns. Conservancy
<input type="checkbox"/> Colorado River Board	<input type="checkbox"/> San Joaquin River Conservancy
<input type="checkbox"/> Conservation, Department of	<input type="checkbox"/> Santa Monica Mtns. Conservancy
<input type="checkbox"/> Corrections, Department of	<input type="checkbox"/> State Lands Commission
<input type="checkbox"/> Delta Protection Commission	<input type="checkbox"/> SWRCB: Clean Water Grants
<input type="checkbox"/> Education, Department of	<input type="checkbox"/> SWRCB: Water Quality
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<input type="checkbox"/> Fish & Game Region # _____	<input type="checkbox"/> Tahoe Regional Planning Agency
<input type="checkbox"/> Food & Agriculture, Department of	<input type="checkbox"/> Toxic Substances Control, Department of
<input type="checkbox"/> Forestry and Fire Protection, Department of	<input type="checkbox"/> Water Resources, Department of
<input type="checkbox"/> General Services, Department of	
<input type="checkbox"/> Health Services, Department of	<input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____
<input type="checkbox"/> Housing & Community Development	<input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____
<input type="checkbox"/> Native American Heritage Commission	

### Local Public Review Period (to be filled in by lead agency)

Starting Date December 21, 2019 Ending Date February 6, 2020

### Lead Agency (Complete if applicable):

Consulting Firm: <u>Stillwater Sciences</u>	Applicant: <u>Klamath River Renewal Corporation</u>
Address: <u>2885 Telegraph Avenue, Suite 400</u>	Address: <u>2001 Addison Street, Suite 300, Office 317</u>
City/State/Zip: <u>Berkeley, CA 94705</u>	City/State/Zip: <u>Berkeley, CA 94704</u>
Contact: <u>Maia Singer</u>	Phone: <u>(415) 820-4441</u>
Phone: <u>(510) 848-8098 x122</u>	

Signature of Lead Agency Representative:  Date: 12/23/2019

Authority cited: Section 21083, Public Resources Code. Reference: Section 21161, Public Resources Code.

## Notice of Completion Attachment A – Project Description

The Lower Klamath Project License Surrender (Project) is located on the Klamath River in Siskiyou County, California, and Klamath County, Oregon. The Lower Klamath Project is currently part of the Klamath Hydroelectric Project (Federal Energy Regulatory Commission [FERC] Project No. 2082), which is owned and operated by PacifiCorp. The Klamath Hydroelectric Project presently consists of seven dam developments: 1) East Side; 2) West Side; 3) Keno; 4) J.C. Boyle; 5) Fall Creek (located on Fall Creek, a Klamath River tributary); 6) Copco No. 1; 7) Copco No. 2; and 8) Iron Gate. The Lower Klamath Project comprises J.C. Boyle, Copco No. 1, Copco No. 2, and Iron Gate dams and associated facilities.

On September 23, 2016, PacifiCorp and the Klamath River Renewal Corporation (KRRC) filed a joint license transfer application with FERC, which seeks to transfer the Lower Klamath Project to the KRRC. Concurrent with the license transfer application, the KRRC filed a license surrender application with FERC to decommission the Lower Klamath Project (i.e., four dams and associated facilities). The KRRC applied to the State Water Resources Control Board, the CEQA lead agency, for a Clean Water Act section 401 water quality certification for the license surrender.

The Project primarily consists of the decommissioning and removal of the Lower Klamath Project dams (J.C. Boyle, Copco No. 1, Copco No. 2, and Iron Gate) and associated facilities located on the Klamath River. The Project implements portions of the Klamath Hydroelectric Settlement Agreement (KHSA), as amended November 30, 2016. The KHSA seeks to return the Klamath River to free-flowing conditions and provide volitional fish passage in the portion of the Klamath River currently occupied by the Lower Klamath Project's dams and associated facilities.

The recirculated sections and associated appendices, and additional information related to the State Water Board's process, including the previously released draft water quality certification, Draft EIR, and frequently asked questions about the Project, are available in electronic format on the **Project webpage**, which is located online at: [https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/waterrights/water\\_issues/programs/water\\_quality\\_cert/lower\\_klamath\\_ferc14803.shtml](https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/waterrights/water_issues/programs/water_quality_cert/lower_klamath_ferc14803.shtml).