
Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board

California Environmental Quality Act Notice of Exemption for Clean Water Act Section 401 Water Quality Certification

To: Office of Planning and Research
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From: California Regional Water Quality Control Board
Central Valley Region, Redding Office
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Date: 27 August 2021

Project Title: Sloat Road Rock Slope Protection Storm Damage Repair Project

Project Location - Specific: Township 23N, Range 11E, Section 12
Sloat, CA
Latitude: 39.860890° and Longitude: -120.727874°

Project Location - County: Plumas County

Description of Nature, Purpose, and Beneficiaries of Project:

The project proposes to repair a storm damaged section of rock slope protection (RSP) on the bank of the Middle Fork Feather River. A 50-foot section of damaged RSP will be replaced with approximately 320 cubic yards of ½ ton RSP, thereby restoring the riverbank segment to its pre-disaster condition. A small portion of the proposed work will occur within the ordinary high water mark (OHWM).

Name of Public Agencies Approving Project:

Federal Agencies: The project requires authorization under U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Clean Water Act Section 404, Nationwide Permit No. 14.

State Agency approval for Clean Water Act Section 401 Water Quality Certification:
California Regional Water Quality Control Board, Central Valley Region, Redding Office.
WDID No. 5A32CR00217.

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project:

John Mannle
Plumas County Department of Public Works
1834 East Main Street
Quincy, CA 95971

Exempt Status:

The California Regional Water Quality Control Board, Central Valley Region has determined that the Project is categorically exempt from review under CEQA pursuant to California Code of Regulations, Title 14, Article 19, section 15304, Minor Alterations to Land. Class 4 consists of the operation, repair, maintenance, permitting, leasing, licensing, or minor alteration of minor public or private alterations in the condition of land, water, and/or vegetation which do not involve removal of healthy, mature, scenic trees except for forestry and agricultural purposes.

Reasons why Project is Exempt:

This project is Categorical Exempt under CEQA section 15304 because the project involves minor alterations to land with the placement of 50 linear feet of rip rap with no removal of healthy, mature, scenic trees.

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