
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
400 Tenth Street, Room 121
Sacramento, CA 95814

From: California Regional Water Quality Control Board
Central Valley Region, Redding Office
364 Knollcrest Drive, Suite 205
Redding, CA 96002

Date: 7 September 2021

Project Title: Dunsmuir GAP Project

Project Location - Specific: Township 40N, Range 4W, Section 8, 9, 16, 17
Mount Shasta, CA
Start: Latitude: 41.35760° and Longitude: -122.35814°
End: Latitude: 41.22737° and Longitude: -122.27654°

Project Location - County: Siskiyou County

Description of Nature, Purpose, and Beneficiaries of Project:

The purpose of the Project is to rehabilitate 13.2 miles of northbound lanes on Interstate 5 in Siskiyou County. Between postmiles (PM) 2.7-6.0, the number 3 lane with failing Portland cement concrete will be grinded and replaced with polyester concrete. The seal joints and slab replacements will also be included in this section of work. In the second section of the proposed project between PM 6.0-15.9, the existing asphalt concrete that was placed in 2003 and 2006 will be replaced with a long life continuously reinforced concrete pavement. In addition, five culverts will be armored, extended, or replaced within the Project area.

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. 5A47CR00055.

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project:

Kerry Molz
California Department of Transportation
1031 Butte Street, MS 30
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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 15301, Existing Facilities. Class 1 consists of the operation, repair, maintenance, permitting, leasing, licensing, or minor alteration of existing public or private structures, facilities, mechanical equipment, or topographical features, involving negligible or no expansion of use beyond that existing at the time of the lead agency's determination.

Reasons why Project is Exempt:

This project is Categorically Exempt under CEQA section 15301 because the project involves repair of existing facilities with no expansion of use.

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Signature: 

Date: 9/7/2021

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