
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
364 Knollcrest Drive, Suite 205
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Date: 29 March 2022

Project Title: Punkin Center Road Culvert Replacement Project
(WDID No. 5A18CR00031)

Project Location - Specific: Section 23, T38N, R07E
Bieber, CA
Latitude: 41.117° and Longitude: -121.127

Project Location - County: Lassen County

Description of Nature, Purpose, and Beneficiaries of Project:

Lassen County Public Works plans to conduct maintenance of culverts beneath Punkin Center Road in Lassen County to facilitate continued passage of water as well as wildlife and fish species. This will include replacing three existing culverts, installing one additional culvert and road paving.

Name of Public Agencies Approving Project:

State Agency approval for Clean Water Act Section 401 Water Quality Certification:
California Regional Water Quality Control Board, Central Valley Region, Redding Branch Office. WDID #5A18CR00031

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project:

Dave Ernaga
Lassen County Public Works
707 Nevada Street, Suite 4
Susanville, CA 96130

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 minor repair of existing facilities with no expansion of use.

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