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## 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  
1400 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:** 28 June 2022

**Project Title:**

North Fueling Facility, Dunsmuir Railyard 2022  
Response Action Project (Project)

**Project Location - Specific:**

Address: 5750 Sacramento Avenue  
Nearest City: Dunsmuir  
Latitude: 40.21097° and Longitude: -122.26963°

**Project Location - County:**

Siskiyou County

**Description of Nature, Purpose, and Beneficiaries of Project:**

Union Pacific Railroad Company will conduct response action activities under the U.S. EPA Order for Removal, Mitigation, or Prevention of a Substantial Threat of Oil Discharge (CWA 311 09-2021-0002). Activities to be completed in 2022 will include an inland extension of the 2021 response action and preparation for future full-scale excavation in 2023-2024. Work in waters of the U.S. in 2022 will be limited to temporary access for debris boom installation/removal and retaining wall support. An approximately 12-foot wide by 450-foot-long area between stations 12+50 and 17+00 (0.12 acre) will be used for temporary access in 2022. Future full-scale excavation activities anticipated to occur in 2023 are not included in this Project.

**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. 20.

**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. 5A47CR00058.

**Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project:**

Lauren Mancuso  
Union Pacific Railroad Company  
1408 Middle Harbor Road  
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**Exempt Status:**

The California Regional Water Quality Control Board, Central Valley Region has determined that the Project is exempt from review under CEQA pursuant to California Code of Regulations, Title 14, Article 19, section 153330, Minor Actions to Prevent, Minimize, Stabilize, Mitigate or Eliminate the Release or Threat of Release of Hazardous Waste or Hazardous Substances. Class 30 consists of any minor cleanup actions taken to prevent, minimize, stabilize, mitigate, or eliminate the release or threat of release of a hazardous waste or substance which are small or medium removal actions costing \$1 million or less.

**Reasons why Project is Exempt:**

This project is Categorically Exempt under CEQA section 15330 because the Project will include minor actions to minimize, stabilize, and mitigate the release and threat of a hazardous waste or substance which are small or medium removal actions costing \$1 million or less.

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**Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_

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