
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
Redding, CA 96002

Date: 19 April 2023

Project Title:

Jake's Culvert Replacement Project (Project)

Project Location - Specific:

Address: Coal Creek Road
Nearest City: O'Brien
Latitude: 40.842273° and Longitude: -122.326005°

Project Location - County:

Shasta County

Description of Nature, Purpose, and Beneficiaries of Project:

Pacific Gas & Electric Company is proposing to repair an existing stream-road crossing located within the 2021 Salt Creek Fire burn scar. Two non-functioning culverts will be removed from an unnamed intermittent tributary to Coal Creek. The two culverts will be replaced with a rock armored vented ford. The crossing is designed to overtop during flood events, and an 18-inch diameter by 20 feet long culvert will be installed to pass base flows.

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. 3(a).

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. 5A45CR00634.

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project:

Erica Jones
Pacific Gas & Electric Company
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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 minor repair of existing facilities with no expansion of use.

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