
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
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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: 7 November 2023

Project Title:

Clear Creek Community Services District Backwash
Ponds Repair Project (Project)

Project Location - Specific:

Address: 10620 Paige Bar Road
Section 27, Township 32 North, Range 6 West, MDB&M.
Nearest City: Whiskeytown
Latitude: 40.595833° and Longitude: -122.536417°

Project Location - County:

Shasta County

Description of Nature, Purpose, and Beneficiaries of Project:

The project will reduce percolated water runoff into Clear Creek, enhance the facility's ability to process backwash sludge, and improve the facility's response to natural disasters impacting water quality in Whiskeytown Lake. The project includes the replacement of pond liners, installation of French drains, and construction of a series of overflow outlets.

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. 18.

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. 5A45CR00651.

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project:

Paul Kelley
Clear Creek Community Services District
5880 Oak Street
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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 alterations of existing public or private facilities involving no expansion of use.

Federal Lead Agency Contact Person:

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