
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: 16 February 2024

Project Title:

02-4H030 Crescent Mills CAPM Project (Project)

Project Location - Specific:

Highway 89
Sections 1, 2, 3, 24, 25, 26, 34, 35, Township 26 North, Range
09 East, MDB&M.
Sections 7, 18, 19, Township 26 North, Range 10 East, MDB&M.
Start: Latitude: 40.070368° and Longitude: -120.948135°
End: Latitude: 40.144935° and Longitude: -120.955758°

Project Location - County:

Plumas County

Description of Nature, Purpose, and Beneficiaries of Project:

The purpose of the proposed project is to improve traffic operations, reduce traffic delays, and increase safety within the project limits. The Capital Preventative Maintenance (CAPM) project will extend the life of the pavement; replace or upgrade traffic monitoring station; replace signs, culverts, and guardrail; add a wildlife crossing with fencing; conform several driveways; and construct one Maintenance Vehicle Turnout.. The project proposes to replace 22 existing culverts with new culverts utilizing either a cut and cover method or a trenchless/jack and bore method, with one location being converted to a wildlife crossing.

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 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. 5A32CR00240.

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project:

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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 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 existing or former use.

Reasons why Project is Exempt:

This project is categorically exempt under CEQA section 15301 because the project involves maintenance activities to repair existing public works facilities involving negligible or no expansion of existing or former use.

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