



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: 6 August 2024

Project Title:

Oak Knoll Drive Culvert Emergency Repair Project
(Project)

Project Location - Specific:

Red Bluff, CA
Section 05, Township 27 North, Range 04 West, MDB&M.
Latitude: 40.22688° and Longitude: -122.34164°

Project Location - County:

Tehama County

Description of Nature, Purpose, and Beneficiaries of Project:

Following rains from a January 2023 atmospheric river system which was declared emergency CA23-1, Brannin Creek's northern abutment and central pier scoured and are threatening to undermine the bridge structure. The proposed project will armor the scoured areas with the minimum but sufficient amount of rock slope protection (RSP) and reinforced concrete necessary to prevent further erosion and potential bridge failure in the upcoming winter season.

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. 5A52CR00240.

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project:

Jim Simon
Tehama County Public Works
9380 San Benito Avenue
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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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