
Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board

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NOTICE OF APPLICABILITY FOR COVERAGE UNDER GENERAL ORDER NO. R5-2020-0048, WASTE DISCHARGE REQUIREMENTS AND CLEAN WATER ACT SECTION 401 WATER QUALITY CERTIFICATION OF THE WESTERN PLACER COUNTY HABITAT CONSERVATION PLAN PROGRAMMATIC GENERAL PERMIT, PLACER VINEYARDS PROPERTY 1A PHASE 2 ADDITIONAL AREAS PROJECT (WDID#5A31CR00534-021), PLACER COUNTY

On 3 March 2023, Lennar Homes of California, Inc. (Permittee) submitted a Notice of Intent (NOI) to enroll under and comply with Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board (Central Valley Water Board) General Order R5-2020-0048, Waste Discharge Requirements and Clean Water Act Section 401 Water Quality Certification of the Western Placer County Habitat Conservation Plan Programmatic General Permit.

The Central Valley Water Board has reviewed your enrollment materials and finds the Placer Vineyards Property 1A Phase 2 Additional Areas Project (Project) meets the eligibility requirements of, and is hereby enrolled under, General Order R5-2020-0048. You may proceed with your Project in accordance with the Order.

A copy of General Order R5-2020-0048 can be found on the [Central Valley Water Board's Adopted Orders webpage](https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/centralvalley/board_decisions/adopted_orders/401_wq_certs/5a31cr00534.pdf) (https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/centralvalley/board_decisions/adopted_orders/401_wq_certs/5a31cr00534.pdf).

Please familiarize yourself with the requirements of General Order R5-2020-0048. You are responsible for complying with all applicable Order requirements. Failure to comply with General Order R5-2020-0048 constitutes a violation of the California Water Code and may result in enforcement action or termination of enrollment under the Order.

PROJECT DESCRIPTION:

The 59-acre Project consists of widening Baseline Road, constructing road improvements, installing a flood control facility within the Curry Creek corridor, installing of a 5.5-foot by 16-foot arch culvert where Placer Drive crosses Curry Creek, and constructing multiple storm drain outfalls and water quality basins. Grading the project

area along baseline road will permanently impact 0.032 acre of vernal pool habitat and 0.006 acre of seasonal wetland swale habitat. There will be no temporary impacts.

PROJECT TYPE:

Roads and Highways

ADDITIONAL CONDITION:

The Applicant shall obtain coverage under the National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) General Permit for Storm Water Discharges Associated with Construction and Land Disturbance Activities Order No. 2009-0009-DWQ, as amended for discharges to surface waters comprised of storm water associated with construction activity, including, but not limited to, demolition, clearing, grading, excavations, and other land disturbance activities of one or more acres, or where projects disturb less than one acre but are part of a larger common plan of development that in total disturbs one or more acres.

PROJECT LOCATION:

The Project is located at Baseline Road, between the intersection of Baseline Road and Walerga/Fiddymont Road and Westbrook Boulevard.

Sections: 1, 6, 35, 36, Townships: 10,11 North, Range: 5, 6 East, MDB&M

Latitude: 38.751474° and Longitude: -121.378584°

PROJECT SCHEDULE:

March 1, 2023 - November 1, 2027

PUBLIC NOTICE

The State Water Resources Control Board (State Water Board) provided public notice of the application from 21 April 2023 to 12 May 2023. The Central Valley Water Board did not receive any comments during the comment period.

COMPENSATORY MITIGATION

To mitigate for the loss of 0.038 acre of vernal pool habitat and 0.006 acre of seasonal wetland swale habitat, the Applicant shall purchase a minimum of 0.038 vernal pool mitigation credits and 0.006 seasonal wetland credits from the Western Placer County in lieu fee program for the impacted watershed prior to commencing construction. The Applicant shall provide evidence of all off-site compensatory mitigation to the Central Valley Water Board. Evidence of on-site compensatory mitigation shall be provided with the Notice of Completion. At a minimum, compensatory mitigation must achieve a ratio of 1:1 for permanent impacts. Compensatory mitigation must comply with the effective policy, which ensures no overall net loss of wetlands for impacts to waters of the state, at the time of Certification.

Evidence of compliance with compensatory mitigation requirements includes providing a letter from the approved in-lieu fee recipient. The letter must: a) be on the in-lieu fee recipient's letterhead; b) be signed by an authorized representative of the in-lieu fee

recipient; c) indicate the United States Army Corps of Engineers' SPK number; d) describe the Project name and location; and e) detail the type of in-lieu fees paid for the Project's impacts.

APPLICATION FEE RECEIVED:

An application fee of \$2,734.00 was received on 17 March 2023. The fee amount was determined as required by California Code of Regulations, title 23, sections 3833(b)(3) and 2200(a)(3) and was calculated as A - Fill & Excavation Discharges (fee code 84) with the dredge and fill fee calculator.

PROJECT SPECIFIC AVOIDANCE AND MINIMIZATION MEASURES:

The proposed Project will comply with all applicable measures identified within Master Conditions on Covered Activities Checklist, submitted as Attachment B of the application. The Applicant will implement the Avoidance and Minimization Measures (AMMs) and construction Best Management Practices (BMPs) outlined in the County Aquatic Resource Program (CARP) document, the Habitat Conservation Program/Natural Community Conservation Program (HCP/NCCP) document, and General Order No. 5 R5-2020-0048.

WATER QUALITY MONITORING:

Water quality monitoring is not required if work is performed when the aquatic resources are naturally dry.

PETITIONS FOR RECONSIDERATION

Any person aggrieved by this action of the Central Valley Water Board may petition the State Water Board to review the action in accordance with California Water Code section 13320 and California Code of Regulations, title 23, sections 2050 and following. The State Water Board must receive the petition by 5:00 p.m., 30 days after the date of this NOA, except that if the thirtieth day following the date of this NOA falls on a Saturday, Sunday, or state holiday, the petition must be received by the State Water Board by 5:00 p.m. on the next business day. Links to the law and regulations applicable to filing petitions may be found on the Water Quality Petitions Page (http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/public_notices/petitions/water_quality) or will be provided upon request."

If you have any questions regarding this Notice of Applicability, please contact Nicholas Savino by phone at (916) 464-4920 or by email at Nicholas.Savino@waterboards.ca.gov.

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Figure 1: Project Location Map

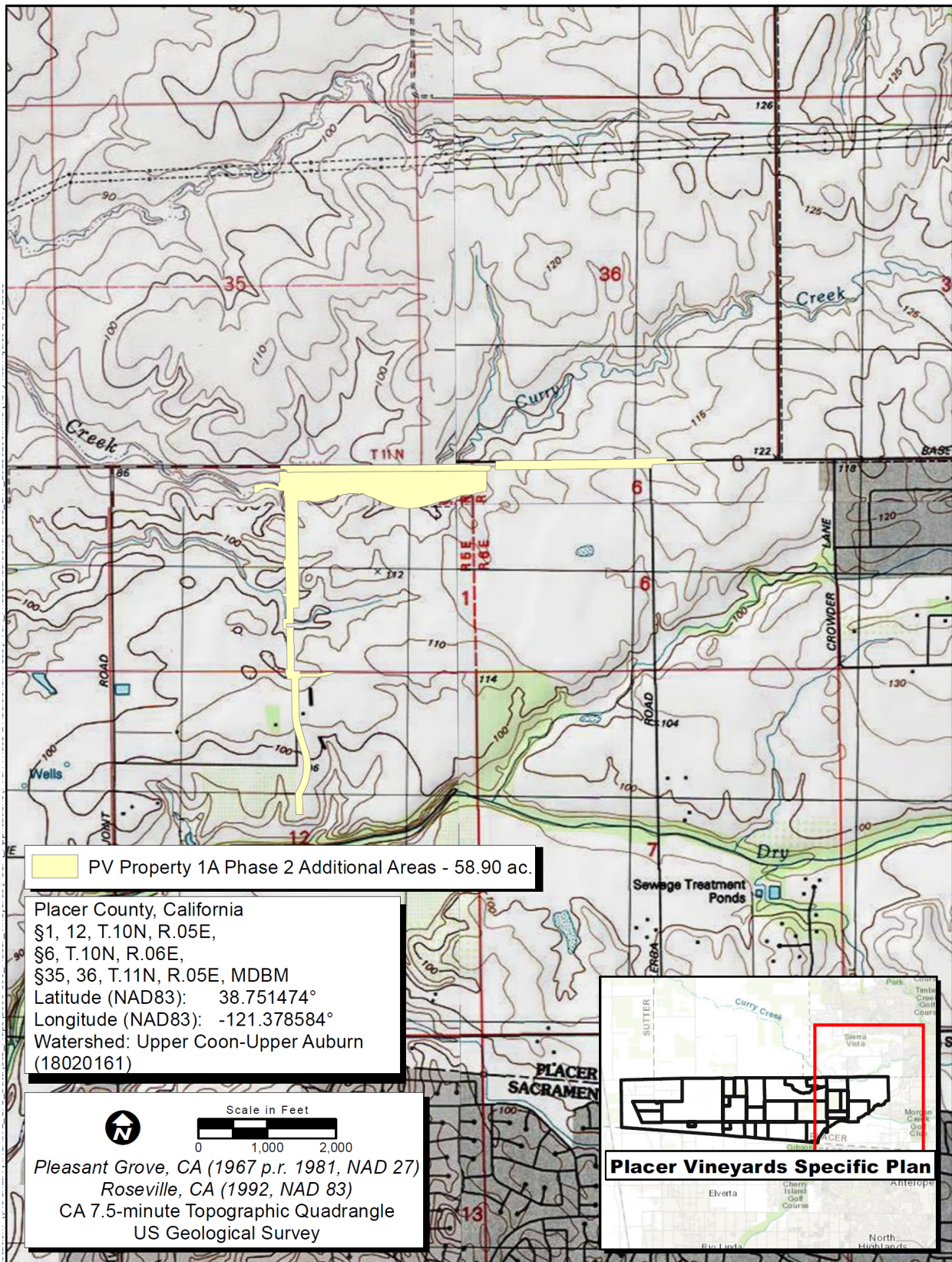


Figure 2: Project Impact Area Map

