

CALIFORNIA REGIONAL WATER QUALITY CONTROL BOARD  
CENTRAL VALLEY REGION  
1685 E Street, Fresno, CA 93706

**PUBLIC NOTICE**  
**Concerning**

**NOTICE OF INTENT TO ADOPT A MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION**  
**For**  
**SIERRA FOOTHILL CONSERVANCY**  
**BEAN CREEK MEADOW RESTORATION PROJECT**  
**MARIPOSA COUNTY**

The Sierra Foothill Conservancy (referred to as Applicant) applied for a Clean Water Act Section 401 Water Quality Certification (Certification) for its proposed meadow restoration project, which will result in a discharge of fill material to waters of the United States. The project will restore channel/floodplain connectivity and function to the incised reaches of Bean Meadow in Mariposa County. The project will fill the incised channel/gully with native rock and soil. Prior to issuing a Certification for the project, a review of the project's potential environmental impacts is required pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA). The Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board (Central Valley Water Board) is the lead agency for the CEQA review. The CEQA review period begins on 1 July 2016 and ends on 1 August 2016.

Any comments or recommendations you may have concerning the Initial Study or the draft Mitigated Negative Declaration must be submitted to this office (1685 'E' Street, Fresno, CA 93706) by 5:00 p.m. on 1 August 2016 in order for us to give them full consideration prior to the 18-19 August meeting of the Central Valley Water Board. Comments received after this time will not be considered or included in the administrative record unless allowed by the Central Valley Water Board Chair.

Interested parties are advised that the full text of the Initial Study or the draft Mitigated Negative Declaration is available on the Central Valley Water Board's web site at:

[http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/rwqcb5/board\\_decisions/tentative\\_orders/index.shtml](http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/rwqcb5/board_decisions/tentative_orders/index.shtml)

under the heading of "Discharger-Specific Orders for Future Board Meetings."

A public hearing concerning this matter will be held during the Central Valley Water Board regular meeting, which is scheduled for:

DATE: 18-19 August

TIME: 8:30 a.m.

PLACE: Regional Water Quality Control Board, Central Valley Region, 11020 Sun Center Drive  
#200, Rancho Cordova, CA 95670

Anyone without access to the Internet who needs a paper copy of the Initial Study or draft Mitigated Negative Declaration should contact Debra Mahnke at (559) 445-6281 or at [debra.mahnke@waterboards.ca.gov](mailto:debra.mahnke@waterboards.ca.gov).

These and other related documents may also be inspected and copied at the Central Valley Water Board's office at 1685 E Street, Fresno, California, weekdays between 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. by appointment.

Please bring the above information to the attention of anyone you know who would be interested in this matter.

*Original signed by*

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Lonnie M. Wass, Supervising Engineer

30 June 2016