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Public Notice for Water Quality Certification and/or Waste
Discharge Requirements (Dredge/Fill Projects)
Rivendale Communities
Camden Place Project
Sonoma County (WDID# 1B05150WNSO)

On November 17, 2005, the North Coast Regional Water Quality Control Board (Regional Water Board) received an application from Mr. Chris Peterson, on behalf of Rivendale Communities (Applicant), requesting a Water Quality Certification and/or Waste Discharge Requirements (Dredge/Fill Projects) for the Camden Place Project in Sonoma County. The proposed project causes disturbances to Waters of the State associated with isolated seasonal wetlands and the Santa Rosa Hydrologic Sub Area, Russian River Hydrologic Unit No. 114.22.

The proposed project is located at 2700 Marlow Road in Santa Rosa, Sonoma County (APN 152-040-053). The purpose of the project is to provide single-family homes to the Santa Rosa area, in accordance with the City of Santa Rosa's general plan.

The proposed project consists of the construction of 16 single-family homes on 2.64 acres located in a relatively urbanized area surrounded by residential units to the east and south. Additionally, the project proposes the installation of underground utilities; construction of roads, sidewalks, and driveways; and the installation of landscaping and fencing. Historically, the site was used for agricultural purposes and has been developed with a rural residence on the southwest portion.

Pre-construction erosion control Best Management Practices (BMPs) will be incorporated into the project in order to decrease the potential for erosion and sediment discharges to Waters of the State. Post-construction storm water treatment BMPs will be constructed as part of the Camden Place Project in order to treat runoff from the 24-hour/85th percentile storm event. It is proposed that all lot drainage, comprising approximately 84 percent of the subdivision, will be treated in private bioswales prior to entering the storm drain system. Storm drain structures will be labeled "No Dumping – Drains to Creek" and vegetated swales will treat approximately 25 percent of the street flow.

The project, as proposed, will result in the permanent filling of 0.2 acres of isolated seasonal wetlands. Compensatory mitigation for the permanent loss of 0.2 acres of Waters of the State will be attained through the purchase of 0.2 acres of wetland preservation credits from the Davis Preserve and 0.2 acres of wetland creation credits from the Hazel Mitigation Bank.

No special status plant or animal species were observed during the two year biological assessment surveys (*Biological Assessment*, Golden Bear Biostudies, June 19, 2006). The site is not within the potential range of the California tiger salamander as mapped by the United States Fish and Wildlife Service.

The City of Santa Rosa, as the lead California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) agency, has determined that this project qualifies for a Mitigated Negative Declaration, pursuant to CEQA (Resolution No. 10792, July 14, 2005).

The Camden Place Project is scheduled to begin summer 2006. Staff is proposing to regulate this project pursuant to Section 401 of the Clean Water Act (33 USC 1341) and/or Porter-Cologne Water Quality Control Act Authority. In addition, staff will consider all comments received

during a 21-day comment period that begins on the first date of issuance of this letter. If you have any questions or comments, please contact staff member Michelle Jensen at (707) 576-6711 or at mjensen@waterboards.ca.gov within 21 days of the posting of this notice.

The related documents and comments received are on file and may be inspected or copied at the Regional Water Board office, 5550 Skylane Blvd., Boulevard, Suite A, Santa Rosa, California. Appointments are recommended for document review. Appointments can be made by calling (707) 576-2220.

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