



# California Regional Water Quality Control Board North Coast Region

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Public Notice for Water Quality Certification and/or Waste  
Discharge Requirements (Dredge/Fill Projects)  
County of Mendocino Department of Transportation, Stoneboro Road Project  
Mendocino County, WDID# 1B06069WNME

On May 15, 2006, the North Coast Regional Water Quality Control Board (Regional Water Board) received an application from Mr. Ole Wik, on behalf of the Mendocino County Department of Transportation, requesting a Water Quality Certification and/or Waste Discharge Requirements for the Stoneboro Road Project. The proposed project is located on Stoneboro Road at Post Mile 0.05, in Point Arena, Mendocino County, California. The proposed project will impact Waters of the United States associated with the Garcia River Hydrologic Area 113.70, in the Mendocino Coast Hydrologic Unit 113.00.

The purpose of the project is to replace a culvert and repair a sinkhole that formed at the edge of the road as a result of culvert failure. The proposed project consists of replacing the culvert, restoring the embankment, and repairing the sinkhole. The project will result in placing 115 cubic yards of fill within Waters of the United States and impact 0.02 acres (130 linear feet) of Waters of the United States. Any material removed during replacement of the culvert will be stockpiled on site for reuse at the site.

Construction of the project will occur during the dry season. The estimated duration of the project is five days.

The Applicant will limit disturbance to Waters of the United States to the greatest extent practicable. Construction Best Management Practices (BMPs) including scattered straw, straw wattles and seeding will be used to reduce erosion for the duration of the project.

The California Department of Fish and Game has issued an exemption under the Firestone Act. There may be Steelhead populations within the project area.

The Mendocino County Department of Transportation has proposed a California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) exemption under 15302 for existing facilities.

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

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addition, staff will consider all comments received during a 21-day comment period that begins on the first date of issuance of this notice. If you have any questions or comments, please contact staff member Gabriel Chavez at (707) 576-2835 or [gchavez@waterboards.ca.gov](mailto:gchavez@waterboards.ca.gov).

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

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