

July 06, 2007

**Public Notice for Water Quality Certification and/or Waste  
Discharge Requirements (Dredge/Fill Projects)  
Suard Subdivision Project  
Sonoma County (WDID# 1B07070WNSO)**

On May 22, 2007, the North Coast Regional Water Quality Control Board (Regional Water Board) received an application from Richard Bedford of Bedford/Associates Consulting Civil Engineers, on behalf of Victor Suard, requesting a Water Quality Certification and/or Waste Discharge Requirements (Dredge/Fill Projects) for the Suard Subdivision Project. The proposed project causes disturbances to Waters of the State associated with Ducker Creek and the Russian River Hydrologic Unit No.114.22.

The proposed project is located at 1036 Calistoga Road, Santa Rosa, Sonoma County, (APN No. 030-180-027). The latitude and longitude is 38.4842°N and -122.6594°W. The purpose of the project is the replacement of an existing 48 inch driveway culvert with a 60 inch culvert to comply with local standards to pass the 10 year storm event as a condition by the City of Santa Rosa for approval of a parcel map. The applicant will subdivide the property into three parcels with the intent to build three single family homes. Future construction of single family homes will be covered under an amendment to this 401 Certification and will be subject to the requirements of the Standard Urban Stormwater Mitigation Plan (SUSMP). Information regarding the SUSMP program can be found at <http://ci.santa-rosa.ca.us/pworks/other/SW/SRSWManualFinalDraft.pdf>.

The project is the replacement of an existing culvert at an existing driveway fill crossing the upper reaches of Ducker Creek. A backhoe will remove the existing rip-rap at the culvert inlet and outlet, excavate the existing driveway embankment at the culvert location, remove the existing 48 inch culvert, install a new 60 inch culvert, backfill with material previously removed, and replace the rip-rap. Disturbed areas of the driveway embankment not covered by rip-rap will be covered by erosion control matting and hydro-seeded with native grasses. Work will be performed with a backhoe and a dump truck from the existing driveway. No equipment will enter the stream bed.

The applicant has received a California Department of Fish and Game 1600 Streambed Alteration Agreement, on April 19, 2007, Notification Number: 1600-2006-0671-3.

Construction Best Management Practices (BMPs) will be incorporated into the final project plans in order to reduce and control soil erosion. Work in and around waterways will be conducted during the dry season, installation of construction barrier fencing to preclude equipment entry into sensitive areas, installation of silt fencing or fiber rolls to prevent sediment loss from immediate work area, topsoil salvage and reapplication, seeding and mulching.

The Suard Subdivision Project is scheduled to begin Summer 2007 and end in Fall 2007. 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 Darren Bradford at (707) 576-2466, [dbradford@waterboards.ca.gov](mailto:dbradford@waterboards.ca.gov), or Stephen Bargsten at (707) 576-2653, or at [sbargsten@waterboards.ca.gov](mailto:sbargsten@waterboards.ca.gov), within 21 days of the posting of this notice.

This is a brief summary of this project; all 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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