

Section 401 Water Quality Certification Public Notice

The Central Coast Water Board is currently reviewing an application for the following project for water quality certification under Section 401 of the Clean Water Act. We encourage public comments on the proposed work, which will be considered in the decision on certification. You may submit written comments on this project to:

Central Coast Regional Water Quality Control Board
 895 Aerovista Place, Suite 101
 San Luis Obispo, CA 93401
 Attention: 401 Coordinator
 OR
 centralcoast@waterboards.ca.gov
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Project Applicant	County of Santa Cruz, Dept. of Public Works - Matt Johnston
Applicant's Agent	Self-Representing
Project Name	Green Valley Road Bridge Abutment Repair
Receiving Water	Green Valley Creek
City/County	Watsonville/Santa Cruz
Public Notice	September 22, 2016 – October 13, 2016
Project Description	<p>The purpose of this project is to repair the existing scour, which is in critical condition beneath the southern abutment, and to maintain bridge stability.</p> <p>The project activities include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Removing vegetation (mostly poison oak) to create a footpath along the edge of the bridge to gain access to the channel; • Placing silt fence or fiber rolls to keep debris from entering the stream; • Knocking out portions of the concrete cut-off walls to allow the stream to flow underneath the walls during low flows; • Using visqueen or other suitable methods to keep dust and debris from concrete demolition from entering the live stream; • Placing a 30-foot long upstream sandbag or gravel berm to direct the flows to the center of the channel towards the punched through cut-off walls, thus dewatering the work area to receive the grout; • Digging a hole and placing sump pump to remove any water that may still be present in the work area; • Placing forms to contain the grout during the pour; and • Planting 100 willow cuttings along the bottom of the riprap wall, extending downstream 40 feet. <p>No compensatory mitigation is proposed for this project.</p> <p>County of Santa Cruz filed a Categorical Exemption on September 15, 2016.</p>

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