

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	Monterey County Water Resources Agency - David E. Chardavoyne
Applicant's Agent	Monterey County Water Resources Agency - Elizabeth Krafft
Project Name	Salinas River Stream Maintenance Program
Receiving Waters	Salinas River, San Lorenzo Creek, Bryant Canyon Channel, and Gonzales Slough
City/County	Various Locations/Monterey County
Public Notice	January 29, 2016 – February 19, 2016
Project Description	<p>The purpose of this project is to reduce flood risk and minimize bank erosion, while maintaining and improving ecological conditions for fish and wildlife.</p> <p>The project activities include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Removal of native vegetation by mowing, disking, or use of heavy equipment; • Pruning trees; • Removal of non-native vegetation through cutting and stump treatment, excavation, and removal of plant stocks and roots, or through a herbicide treatment; and • Subsequent grading and smoothing to remove irregular surfaces after vegetation maintenance is complete. <p>Compensatory mitigation for this project includes removal of <i>Arundo donax</i> at a 3:1 removal to impact ratio.</p> <p>Monterey County Water Resources Agency filed an Environmental Impact Report on July 29, 2014.</p>