

Public Notice – Dredge or Fill Discharge Application

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Applicant:

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Project Name:

CalTrans I-40 Median Regrade Project from Post Mile 100.0-125.0, Located in Essex City, San Bernardino County, California.

WDID 7A363031001, RM 442405, Place ID 872611

Receiving Water:

Unnamed ephemeral drainage features - Danby Lake and Cadiz Lake.

Location:

City or area: Essex City, San Bernardino County, California

Latitude: 34.8252

Longitude: -115.0835

Section, Township, Range:

Blind Hills:

8 North, 16 East, Sections 2, 3, 1, 8, 10, 9, 11

Fenner:

9 North, 17 East, Section 36

8 North, 17 East, Sections 5, 3, 6, 4, 1, 2

8 North, 18 East, Section 6

9 North, 18 East, Section 31

Fenner Spring:

9 North, 18 East, Sections 32, 33, 34, 35, 36

9 North, 19 East, Sections 29, 31, 32

West of Flattop Mountain:

9 North, 19 East, Sections 23, 24, 26, 27, 28

9 North, 20 East, Sections 20, 22, 19, 21

Project Description:

CalTrans proposes to re-grade the median cross slopes within the thirty foot CRZ from existing gradient conditions which vary from 2:1 gradient to 6:1 or steeper, to a proposed 10:1 gradient or flatter on I-40, from the Essex Road Overcrossing at PM 100.0 in the Community of Fenner to PM 125.0 to 4.5 miles east of Homer Wash Bridge in rural San Bernardino County. The proposed improvements would require moving soil from other areas in the median to create the proper gradient and modification of existing drainage facilities within the median. Exclusionary fencing for the desert tortoise (*Gopherus agassizii*) will be installed between PM R100.0 to R107.5 where it is not currently in place. In addition, the existing metal beam guardrails within the median at various locations along the Project alignment will be replaced with Midwest Guardrail System.

Anticipated Project Start and End Dates:

Fall 2021 – Fall 2026

US Army Corps of Engineers Nationwide Permit Number(s):

n/a

Action:

Pending

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