PUBLIC NOTICE FOR CLEAN WATER ACT 401 WATER QUALITY CERTIFICATION BEFORE THE STATE WATER RESOURCES CONTROL BOARD DIVISION OF WATER RIGHTS

A request for a water quality certification (certification) under section 401 of the Clean Water Act for the following project was filed with the State Water Resources Control Board (State Water Board). California Code of Regulations, title 23, section 3858 requires the Executive Director of the State Water Board to provide public notice of an application for certification at least twenty-one (21) days before taking certification action on the application. The notice period may be shortened in an emergency.

Written questions and/or comments regarding the application should be directed to Eric Bradbury:

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State Water Resources Control Board

Division of Water Rights – Water Quality Certification Program

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RECEIVED: April 3, 2023

PROJECT: Big Creek Dam 7 Fishwater Generator Room Repairs

Project

APPLICANT: Southern California Edison

CONTACT: Hazem Gabr

COUNTY: Fresno and Madera

PUBLIC NOTICE: April 21, 2023

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: On April 3, 2023, Southern California Edison (SCE) submitted a request for a water quality certification for the Big Creek Dam 7 Fishwater Generator Room Repairs Project (Project). Big Creek Dam 7 is a part of SCE's Big Creek No. 4 Hydroelectric Project (Federal Energy Regulatory Commission Project 2017). The Project consists of: 1) drawdown of tailwater near the Big Creek Dam 7 Fishwater Generator Room; 2) water diversion around the work area from the diversion pipe inlet located in Redinger Lake to the downstream outlet (approximately 1,500 feet); 3) replacement of the existing 12-inch fishwater bypass pipe with two fishwater bypass pipes (16- and 4-inches respectively); and 4) installation of new electrical equipment and control panels.