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

A request for a water quality certification (certification) for the San Gorgonio Flowline Line No. 1 Repair Project (Project) was filed with the State Water Resources Control Board (State Water Board). Certifications are issued under section 401 of the Clean Water Act. 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 typical notice period may be shortened in an emergency.

Written questions and/or comments regarding the application should be directed to Garrett Long:

By email:

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State Water Resources Control Board
Division of Water Rights – Water Quality Certification Program
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PROJECT: San Gorgonio Flowline Line No. 1 Repair Project

APPLICANT: Southern California Edison

CONTACT: Hazem Gabr

COUNTIES: Riverside, San Bernardino

PUBLIC NOTICE: April 14, 2023

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: The Project involves repairing damage done by the 2020 Apple Fire to the upper portion of Flowline No. 1 from the East Fork Diversion to the South Fork Diversion. These repairs include: 1) repairing the East Fork Diversion and spanning steel pipe bridge connecting it to Flowline No. 1; 2) replacing the East Fork sandbox; 3) replacing the South Fork sandbox and the spanning pipe connecting it to Flowline No. 1; 4) replacing the Black Wheel Creek intake, sandbox, and spanning pipe bridge connecting these to Flowline No. 1; 5) installing spanning pipe bridges over jurisdictional waterways along the lower Flowline No. 1; 6) replacing the Upper Flowline No. 1 with a single 18-inch high-density polyethylene pipe; and 7) installing concrete and rip-rap aprons over portions of Flowline No. 1 subject to scour. The purpose of the Project is to repair and protect Flowline No.1 in order to restore the only water supply to the community of Banning Heights. Repairing the diversion structures will protect their structural integrity and prevent deteriorating concrete from eroding into waterways.