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

An application for water quality 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). The water quality certification is being processed by the Division of Water Rights. California Code of Regulations, title 23, section 3858 requires the Executive Director of the State Water Board to provide public notice of an application at least twenty-one (21) days before taking certification action on the application. Written questions and/or comments regarding the application should be directed to:

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Division of Water Rights
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RECEIVED: May 1, 2013

PROJECT: Feather River Fish Screen Work Period Amendment

Project

APPLICANT: City of Yuba City

CONTACT: Kris Kiehne

COUNTY: Sutter

PUBLIC NOTICE: May 9, 2013 **PROJECT STATUS:** Pending

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: The Feather River Fish Screen Work Period Amendment Project (Project) is an application to amend the water quality certification (certification) issued for the City of Yuba City's Feather River Fish Screen Project (Fish Screen Project). The Fish Screen Project was to replace an existing unscreened intake structure located on the lower Feather River leading to a low-level pump station (LLPS) on the Yuba City Water Treatment Plant system. The Fish Screen Project area encompasses 0.17 acres of riparian and un-vegetated streambed habitat located on the western shore of the lower Feather River in Sutter County. The Fish Screen Project involves the construction of a new screened intake structure, construction of a new 54 inch diameter underground pipeline to the existing LLPS, removal of the existing traveling screen inside of the existing LLPS, improvements to the LLPS to support auxiliary equipment for the new fish screen, removal and decommissioning of the existing unscreened intake, and improvements to the existing access road.

An application for the Project was received on May 1, 2013. This proposed water quality certification amendment would change the work period to allow in-channel construction starting in May 2013. In the existing certification, issued April 17, 2012, in-channel construction is limited to July 1 through October 31, as outlined in the Fish Screen Project's Mitigation, Monitoring and Reporting Plan. In order to complete the Project, and bring the screened intake on-line by December 2013, the City of Yuba City would like to remove the cofferdam in May 2013.