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

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). 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:

Parker Thaler
Water Quality Certification Program
Division of Water Rights
State Water Resources Control Board
P.O. Box 2000
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PROJECT: Iron Gate Dam Low Level Outlet Slide Gate Test Project

APPLICANT: PacifiCorp Energy CONTACT: Robert Roach

COUNTY: Siskiyou

PUBLIC NOTICE: February 25, 2015

PROJECT STATUS: Pending

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: PacifiCorp Energy (PacifiCorp) plans to test Iron Gate Dam's low level outlet slide gate to ensure that the slide gate is fully operational. The slide gate is designed to divert water from Iron Gate Reservoir into a 595-foot long tunnel with an outlet flange gate that discharges into the Klamath River directly below Iron Gate Dam.

During the Iron Gate Dam Low Level Outlet Slide Gate Test Project, the low level outlet's flange gate will be sealed to prevent any flow from exiting the tunnel. Leakage from the slide gate will fill the 20-foot long portion of the tunnel between the slide gate and flange gate with approximately 4,500 cubic feet of water. Once the 20-foot long portion of the tunnel is full, PacifiCorp will fully open the slide gate to test its ability to operate. After testing the slide gate, PacifiCorp will close the slide gate, unseal the flange gate, and slowly drain the tunnel's water into the Klamath River. Iron Gate Dam is located on the Klamath River, approximately 25 miles north of Yreka in Siskiyou County.