SECTION 401 WATER QUALITY CERTIFICATION PUBLIC NOTICE

The Central Coast Water Board is currently reviewing a Clean Water Act section 401 Water Quality Certification application for the project described below. We encourage public comments on the proposed project and will take comments into consideration when taking action on the application. You may submit written comments on this project to:

Central Coast Regional Water Quality Control Board
895 Aerovista Place, Suite 101
San Luis Obispo, CA 93401
Attention: 401 Coordinator
OR
centralcoast@waterboards.ca.gov
Attention: 401 Coordinator

Project Applicant: Tar Creek Ranch, LLC – Matthew Abbate

Applicant's Agent: Kevin Merk Associates, LLC – Kevin Merk

Project Name: Tar Creek Ranch Road Improvements Project

Receiving Water: Unnamed tributary to Tar Spring Creek

City/County: Arroyo Grande / San Luis Obispo

Public Notice: May 16, 2024 – June 6, 2024

Project Description:

The purpose of the proposed Project is to upgrade three driveway road crossings and restore a drainage section.

The proposed project activities include:
- Constructing new concrete headwalls on the up and downstream sides of three existing culverts (Culvert 1, Culvert 2, and Culvert 3);
- Recontouring the existing channels (Tributary A and Tributary B) that flow through Culverts 1, 2, and 3 to provide 2:1 side slopes and modified bed slopes;
- Constructing a 2-foot wide gravel drainage swale to discharge to Tributary A;
- Replacing Culvert 2 with two 36-inch, 28-feet-long culverts;
- Replacing Culvert 3 with two 30-inch, 31-feet-long culverts; and
- Installing a 24-inch catch basin in the property driveway that discharges into Culvert 3.

Mitigation activities include:
- Permittee-responsible re-establishment of 0.16 acres / 206 linear feet of stream channel habitat; and
- Permittee-responsible establishment of 0.1 acres / 97 linear feet of riparian habitat.