



Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board

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NOTICE OF APPLICABILITY FOR COVERAGE UNDER ORDER NO. 2004-0004-DWQ, STATEWIDE GENERAL WASTE DISCHARGE REQUIREMENTS FOR DREDGED OR FILL DISCHARGES TO WATERS DEEMED BY THE U.S. ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS TO BE OUTSIDE OF FEDERAL JURISDICTION, CENTRAL VALLEY FLOOD PROTECTION BOARD, FOURTEENMILE SLOUGH PHASE II GEOTECHNICAL DRILLING PROJECT (WDID#5B39CR00397), SAN JOAQUIN COUNTY

On 22 December 2023, the Central Valley Flood Protection Board submitted a Notice of Intent (NOI) to enroll under and comply with State Water Resources Control Board (State Water Board) Order No. 2004-0004-DWQ, Statewide General Waste Discharge Requirements for Dredged or Fill Discharges to Waters Deemed by the United States Army Corps of Engineers to be Outside of Federal Jurisdiction.

The Central Valley Water Quality Control Board (Central Valley Water Board) has reviewed your enrollment materials and finds the Fourteenmile Slough Phase II Geotechnical Drilling Project (Project) meets the requirements of, and is hereby enrolled under, Order No. 2004-0004-DWQ. You may proceed with your Project in accordance with the Order.

A copy of [Order 2004-0004-DWQ](https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/board_decisions/adopted_orders/water_quality/2004/wqo/wqo2004-0004.pdf) (https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/board_decisions/adopted_orders/water_quality/2004/wqo/wqo2004-0004.pdf) can be found on the State Water Resources Control Board's Adopted Orders webpage and is enclosed.

Please familiarize yourself with the requirements of Order No. 2004-0004-DWQ. You are responsible for complying with all applicable Order requirements. Failure to comply with Order No. 2004-0004-DWQ constitutes a violation of the California Water Code and may result in enforcement action or termination of enrollment under the Order.

MARK BRADFORD, CHAIR | PATRICK PULUPA, ESQ., EXECUTIVE OFFICER

PROJECT DESCRIPTION:

The 0.01-acre Project consists of drilling approximately 18 holes for the collection of environmental soil samples. Project elements that affect aquatic resources include hand augering or direct push drilling methods to collect soil samples from the surface up to a total drilled depth of 20 feet below ground surface, or until refusal. Once total depth of sampling is achieved and soil samples are collected, the drill hole would be backfilled with a cement-bentonite grout. The upper five feet would be backfilled with clean, native material to the surface.

The Project will temporarily impact 0.01 acre. The temporary disturbance area calculation includes the placement of the drill rig and related equipment, the drilling itself, stockpiling of soil core samples, and some potential vegetation clearance which may be necessary. All areas of temporary disturbance will be returned to pre-Project contours immediately after surveys are complete.

PROJECT LOCATION:

The Project is located at 6461 Brookside Road in Stockton, San Joaquin County. The approximate center of the Project area is located at latitude 38.01000°N and longitude 121.375278°W.

PROJECT SCHEDULE:

Between approximately 7AM to 6PM, Monday through Friday, within three weeks.

APPLICATION FEE RECEIVED:

\$2,985.00 was received on 2 January 2024. The fee amount was determined as required by California Code of Regulations, title 23, sections 3833(b)(3) and 2200(a)(3) and was calculated as category E - Low Impact Discharges (fee code 87) with the dredge and fill fee calculator.

MITIGATION AND MINIMIZATION MEASURES:

The Project would have a short duration and only temporary impacts. The Project would have minimal adverse effects on aquatic resources and not result in long-term negative effects as all disturbed areas would be returned to pre-sampling conditions. No compensatory mitigation is required.

TERMINATION OF COVERAGE:

Upon completion of the Project, you shall submit a complete Notice of Termination (NOT) requesting to be un-enrolled under Order No. 2004-0004-DWQ. Attachment 2 to the Order contains the NOT form.

If you have questions concerning this matter, please contact Jenna Yang by phone at (916) 464-4764 or by email at Jenna.Yang@waterboards.ca.gov.

Original Signed by Anne Walters for:

Patrick Pulupa
Executive Officer

Enclosure: State Water Resources Control Board Water Quality Order No.
2004-0004-DWQ

Attachments: Figure 1: Project Map Vicinity
Figure 2: Site Map of Approximate Sampling Locations

cc: [Via email only]

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Figure 1: Project Map Vicinity

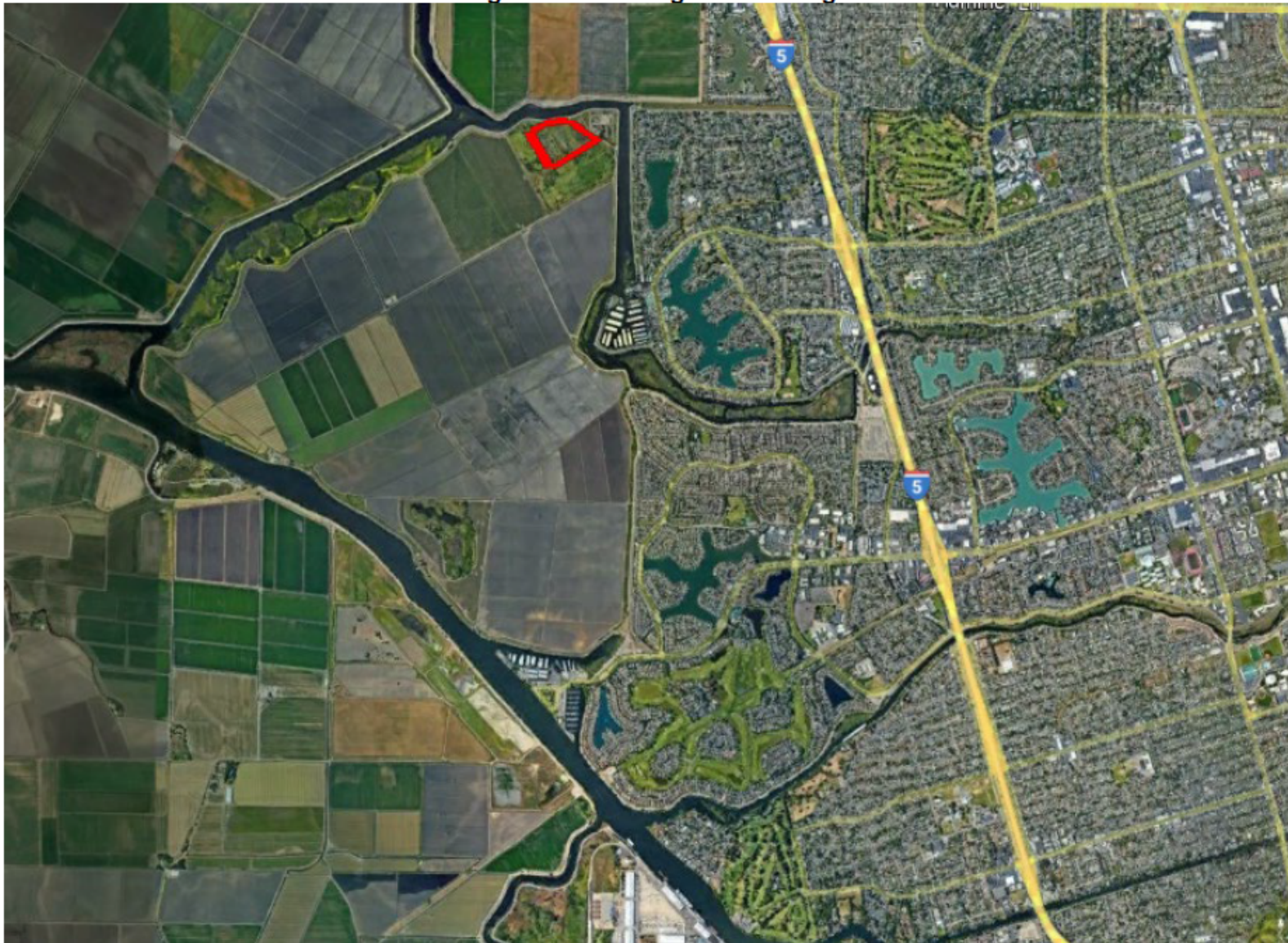


Figure 2: Site Map of Approximate Sampling Locations

