

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

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Project Applicant: Wonderful Orchards – Joe DeClue

Applicant's Agent: SWCA – Amy Golub

Project Name: Runway Ranch Dam Reconstruction Project

Receiving Water: Las Tablas Creek

City/County: Paso Robles / San Luis Obispo

Public Notice: August 12, 2024 – September 2, 2024

Project Description:

The purpose of the proposed Project is to repair the existing Runway Ranch Dam to convey 100-year flood events.

The proposed project activities include:

- Constructing a 162-foot wide by 104-foot long concrete spillway and an adjacent 50-foot wide by 39-foot long rip rap field;
- Removing 371 cubic yards (CY) of native sediment, and placing 3,200 CY of native fill and 750 CY of concrete for the spillway.
- Removing two valley oak trees and one coast live oak tree;
- Removing vegetation and mule fat thickets for spillway installation;
- Constructing one 18-inch pipeline into the dam repair footprint in accordance with water right agreements.

Mitigation activities include:

- Permittee-responsible re-establishment of 0.40 acres / 1,335 linear feet of riparian habitat;
- Permittee-responsible rehabilitation of 0.419 acres / 429 linear feet of riparian habitat;
- Permittee-responsible re-establishment of 0.213 acres / 1,335 linear feet of stream channel habitat.

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