

## **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:** City of Monterey – Andrew Easterling

**Applicant's Agent:** City of Monterey – Kevin Anderson

**Project Name:** Via Esperanza Storm Damage Repair Project

**Receiving Water:** Hartnell Gulch and Monterey Bay

**City/County:** Monterey / Monterey County

**Public Notice:** April 23, 2026 – May 14, 2026

### **Project Description:**

The purpose of the proposed project is to provide permanent embankment stabilization that allows the creek to convey storm flows while reducing erosion, maintaining channel stability, and protecting adjacent properties and public infrastructure.

The proposed project activities include:

- Installing channel stabilization features, including retaining walls, associated channel lining, and a concrete encasement surrounding an existing sanitary sewer lateral.
- Removing three trees within the project footprint.

Mitigation activities include:

- Permittee-responsible enhancement of 0.059 acres / 400 linear feet of riparian zone habitat.