

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: County of Santa Cruz – Antonella Gentile

Applicant's Agent: Monterey County Water Resources Agency – Jennifer Bodensteiner

Project Name: 2021 Pajaro River Roughness Reduction

Receiving Water: Pajaro River

City/County: Watsonville / Santa Cruz

Public Notice: January 24, 2023 – February 14, 2023

Project Description:

The purpose of the proposed project is to bring the levee system back into compliance with the design discharge.

The proposed project activities include:

- Retaining a mature tree for every 40 feet of channel length; and
- Removing vegetation on the channel bottom, bank, and bench to achieve an average roughness of 0.045.

No mitigation proposed.

Monterey County Water Resources Agency filed an Environmental Impact Report on February 1, 2002.