

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: Union Pacific Railroad – Kevin P. Rice

Applicant's Agent: Althouse and Meade, Inc. – Jason Dart

Project Name: Union Pacific Railroad Coast MP 175.61 Culvert Replacement

Receiving Water: Pine Creek

City/County: San Ardo / Monterey

Public Notice: January 23, 2023 – February 10, 2023

Project Description:

The purpose of the proposed project is to reestablish water conveyance of Pine Creek to the Salinas River through a crossing that supports Union Pacific Railroad.

The proposed project activities include:

- Removing portions of inlet/outlet wing walls to accommodate smooth steel pipes;
- Recontouring channel and access paths to native slope; and
- Stabilizing slopes with appropriate BMPs and hydroseeding.

Proposed Mitigation:

Rehabilitation of 0.03 acres / 66 linear feet of stream channel. Enhancement of 0.04 acres / 27 linear feet of stream channel. Re-establishment of 0.01 acres / 8 linear feet of wetlands. Rehabilitation of 0.01 acres / 14 linear feet of wetlands.