
Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board

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ORDER AMENDING CLEAN WATER ACT SECTION 401 TECHNICALLY CONDITIONED WATER QUALITY CERTIFICATION; DPIF3 CA 32 EL DORADO HILLS, LLC, NORTHERN ROAD CONNECTION TO LATROBE ROAD PROJECT (WDID#5A09CR00230A1), EL DORADO COUNTY

This Order responds to the 30 January 2025 request for an amendment of the Northern Road Connection to Latrobe Road Project (Project) Section 401 Water Quality Certification (WDID#5A09CR00230). The original Water Quality Certification (Certification) was issued on 7 August 2024. The requested amendment is hereby approved. The original Certification is therefore amended as described below. Please attach this document to the original Certification.

AMENDMENT:

DPIF3 CA 32 El Dorado Hills, LLC is requesting a name change and a modification to impacts. The name change will allow Lennar Homes of California, LLC to proceed with the Project described in the original Certification.

The changes to impacts were the result of modifications to better align the proposed roadway with the alignment approved as part of the Carson Creek Specific Plan area

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(CEQA document used for Certification). The revised alignment shifts the proposed road to the south, away from the unnamed intermittent tributary to Carson Creek and reduces the anticipated permanent impacts to waters of the state as follows:

- The alignment now avoids impacts to vernal pool features (VP-1) and instead results in similar impacts to a wetland seep (S-18).
- The footprint considered as part of the Order has been modified based on the refined design and grading.
- The footprint now includes potential temporary impacts that may be required to help facilitate construction and equipment access. These temporary impact areas would be restored to pre-project topography and there would be no temporary impacts on wetland features.

As a result of additional impacts not originally identified, a new Table 1 and footnote 1 were added to include new impacts identified in the Project scope. All table numbers and footnotes are updated to reflect these insertions.

The Certification is amended to reflect the changes as follows:

- The Certification is issued to allow Lennar Homes of California, LLC to proceed with the Project described in the original Certification and any subsequent amendments issued.
- The proposed road will be aligned further south and away from the unnamed intermittent tributary to Carson Creek.
- VP-1 and S-8 aquatic features will now be avoided as a result of the new proposed road alignment.
- The Project footprint has been updated based on design modifications to include potential temporary impacts to assist in temporary impacts for construction purposes. All areas temporarily disturbed will be recontoured to pre-project topography.
- A new Table 1 identifying new temporary impacts has been included. All table numbers are updated to follow sequentially. The addition of Table 1 incorporated a new footnote 1 to clarify table 1 abbreviation definitions.
- Impacts to WS-9 have been updated to state E-8 in all occurrences throughout the Certification.
- Figure 2 is updated to reflect the new realignment of the proposed road.
- Section VII and Attachment B has been updated to reflect the updated mitigation totals to be submitted for compensatory mitigation requirements.

APPLICATION FEE RECEIVED:

No fee was required for this amendment. Total fees of \$2,734.00 for the original Certification were received on 10 February 2023. The fee amount was determined as required by California Code of Regulations, title 23, sections 3383(b)(3) and 2200(a)(3), as was calculated as category A - Fill & Excavation Discharges (fee code 84) with the dredge and fill fee calculator.

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WATER QUALITY CERTIFICATION:

I hereby issue an Order amending the existing Clean Water Act, Section 401 Technically Conditioned Water Quality Certification for the Northern Road Connection to Latrobe Road Project (WDID#5A09CR00230A1). All other conditions and provisions of the original Water Quality Certification and any previously approved amendments remain in full force and effect, except as modified based on the conditions of this Order. Failure to comply with the terms and conditions of the original Water Quality Certification, previously approved amendments, or of this Order may result in suspension or revocation of the Water Quality Certification.

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