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## Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board

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### **ORDER AMENDING CLEAN WATER ACT SECTION 401 TECHNICALLY CONDITIONED WATER QUALITY CERTIFICATION; GARY KNIESEL, GOLD NUGGET STORAGE EXPANSION PROJECT (WDID#5A09CR00246A1), EL DORADO COUNTY**

This Order responds to the 14 February 2025 request for an amendment of the Gold Nugget Storage Expansion Project (Project) Section 401 Water Quality Certification (WDID#5A09CR00246). The original Water Quality Certification (Certification) was issued on 6 February 2025. The requested amendment is hereby approved. The original Certification is therefore amended as described below. Please attach this document to the original Certification.

#### **AMENDMENT:**

Gary Kniesel requested an amendment to correct the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) Section 404 Nationwide Permit (NWP) authorized by USACE. The Certification stated that the Project was covered under NWP 32 (Completed Enforcement Actions). In correspondence dated 13 February 2025, USACE stated that they would authorize the Project under NWP 14 (Transportation Projects).

The Certification is amended to reflect the Project is authorized under Section 404 of the Clean Water Act Nationwide Permit 14 – Transportation Projects.

#### **APPLICATION FEE RECEIVED:**

No fee was required for this amendment. Total fees of \$4,212.00 for the original Certification were received on 24 December 2024. 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 E - Low Impact Discharges (fee code 87) 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 Gold Nugget Storage Expansion Project (WDID#5A09CR00246A1). 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.

*Original Signed By Anne Walters for:*

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