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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; CORDOVA HILLS OWNERSHIP GROUP, CORDOVA HILLS PROJECT (WDID#5A34CR00632A3), SACRAMENTO COUNTY**

This Order responds to the 14 October 2024 request for an amendment of the Cordova Hills Project (Project) Section 401 Water Quality Certification (WDID#5A34CR00632). The original Water Quality Certification (Certification) was issued on 29 June 2016. The requested amendment is hereby approved. The original Certification is therefore amended as described below. Please attach this document to the original Certification.

#### **AMENDMENT:**

Cordova Hills Ownership Group is requesting a change in point of contact from Ron Alvarado to Charles Somers. The transfer will allow Charles Somers to proceed with the Project described in the original Certification.

Additionally, Cordova Hills Ownership Group is requesting a modification to the Project description. The northernmost portion of the Plateau Preserve will be expanded southward to allow for expansion extending to the southern extent of the Plateau Preserve. This expansion of the preserve will replace valley grassland area as a result of the removal of Glory Lane. Portions of a seasonal wetland swale will now be indirectly impacted instead of directly impacted within the added preserve area due to the changes in flow resulting from removing Glory Lane. No new impacts to waters will occur from this proposed boundary change.

Thirdly, Cordova Hills Ownership Group is requesting an additional modification to the Plateau Preserve boundary to allow for a future roadway connection and infrastructure improvements between North Loop Road and the Olive Grove Parcel located between the original Glory Lane location and the Cordova Hills project boundary. The proposed connection consists of constructing approximately 200 linear feet of road with a total width of 90-feet, consisting of a 32-foot roadway right-of-way with attached sidewalks, shoulders, and approximately 5 feet of grading on each side necessary to match native elevations. The area removed from the preserve would total 0.39 acres of valley grasslands, and no aquatic resources exist in this area.

Cordova Hills Ownership Group has provided documentation from the United States Army Corps of Engineers (SPK- 2004-00116) authorizing in-water construction activities to continue until 27 February 2027.

**APPLICATION FEE RECEIVED:**

No fee was required for this amendment. Total fees of \$90,000.00 for the original Certification were received on 6 May 2015. 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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**PUBLIC NOTICE:**

The Central Valley Water Board provided public notice of the application pursuant to California Code of Regulations, title 23, section 3858 from 18 October 2024 to 8 November 2024. The Central Valley Water Board did not receive any comments during the comment period.

**WATER QUALITY CERTIFICATION:**

I hereby issue an Order amending the existing Clean Water Act, Section 401 Technically Conditioned Water Quality Certification for the Cordova Hills Project (WDID#5A34CR00632A3). 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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Executive Officer

Enclosure: Project Information

Attachments: Figure 1 – Project Location Map  
Figure 2 – Modified impact Map

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Figure 1 – Project Location Map

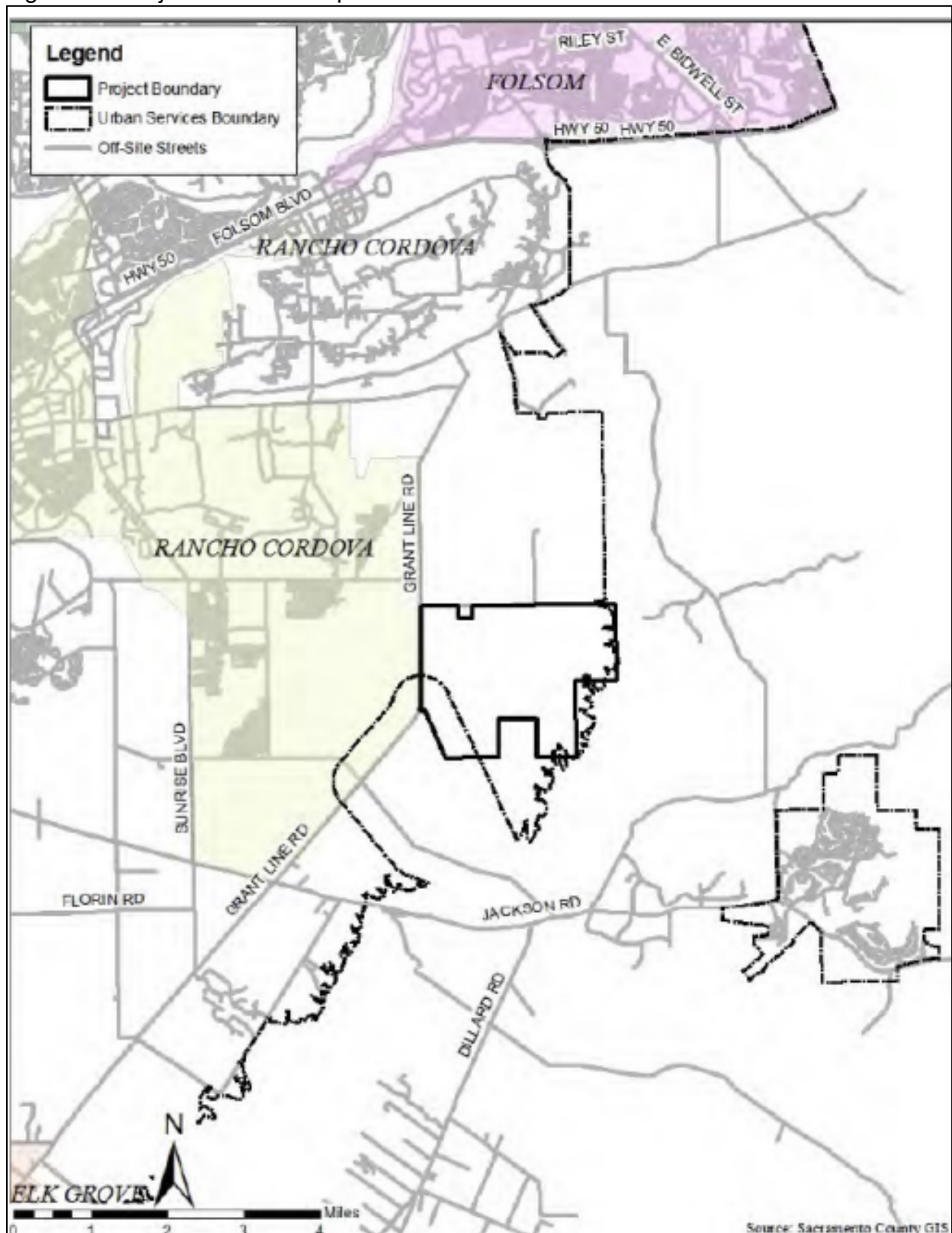




Figure 2- Modified Impact Map

