
Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board

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NOTICE OF APPLICABILITY; GENERAL SECTION 401 WATER QUALITY CERTIFICATION ORDER REQUIREMENTS FOR THE NORTHERN CALIFORNIA POWER AGENCY, DRAINAGE REPAIRS AT COLLIERVILLE POWERHOUSE PROJECT (WDID#5B05CR00127), CALAVERAS COUNTY

On 23 January 2025, the Northern California Power Agency (Applicant) filed a notification requesting coverage under the 25 February 2022 State Water Resources Control Board Clean Water Act Section 401 General Water Quality Certification and Order of the United States Army Corps of Engineers 2021 Nationwide Permits (General Certification Order) for the Drainage Repairs at Collierville Powerhouse Project (Project). After review of the notification and the supplemental material submitted by the Applicant, the Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board (Central Valley Water Board) has determined that the Project qualifies for enrollment under this General Certification Order. The proposed activity will take place within 0.184 acre / 495 linear feet of waters of the United States.

The Central Valley Water Board is certifying this Project under United States Army Corps of Engineers Nationwide Permit #3a (Maintenance Activities), subject to the conditions and the notification requirements described in the Nationwide Permit ("Special Conditions"). This Notice of Applicability is being issued under the General Certification Order pursuant to Section 3838 of the California Code of Regulations.

A copy of the [General Certification Order](https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/water_issues/programs/cwa401/docs/2021/certification-denial-corps-nationwide-permit-project-general-order-10122021.pdf) (https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/water_issues/programs/cwa401/docs/2021/certification-denial-corps-nationwide-permit-project-general-order-10122021.pdf) can be found on the State Water Resources Control Board's General Order webpage and is enclosed.

The Project must proceed in accordance with the requirements contained in this Notice of Applicability and General Certification Order. The Project is described in the notification form requesting coverage under the General Certification Order, dated 3 April 2025, and supplementary information (Application Package). Coverage under the General Certification Order is no longer valid if the Project (as described) is modified.

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PROJECT DESCRIPTION:

The 0.184-acre Drainage Repairs at Collierville Powerhouse Project (Project) consists of repairs to two culverts in the vicinity of the Collierville Powerhouse. The culverts are located along an engineered bypass drainage channel which carries flows seasonally from Clark Creek, an intermittent stream. Heavy rains in December 2019 and January 2023 resulted in the collapse and failure of an approximately 50-foot-long section of culvert. The replacement of the two culverts will restore and stabilize downstream portions of the drainage channel, maintain water quality, and protect resources in the downstream Stanislaus River.

The Project will temporarily impact 0.184 acre / 495 linear feet of waters of the United States. Culvert inlet, outlet, and channel restoration and repair activities include excavation and backfill with geotextile fabric and riprap. The Project includes restoration of the original contours of the channel and materials will be replaced in-kind, resulting in temporary impacts.

PROJECT LOCATION:

Address: 11523 Camp 9 Road, Murphys, CA 95247

Latitude: 38.144035 and Longitude: -120.381442

PROJECT SCHEDULE:

May 2025 through September 2025

APPLICATION FEE RECEIVED:

An application fee of \$ 6,758.00 was received on 14 April 2025.

The fee amount was determined as required by California Code of Regulations, title 23, sections 3833(b)(3) and 2200(a)(3), and was calculated as category A - Fill & Excavation Discharges (fee code 84) with the dredge and fill fee calculator.

If you have any questions regarding this Notice of Applicability, please contact Jenna Yang by phone at (916) 464-4764 or by email at Jenna.Yang@waterboards.ca.gov.

Original Signed by Anne Walters for:

Patrick Pulupa
Executive Officer

Enclosure: State Water Board Certification of the 2021 Nationwide Permits General
Water Quality Certification and Order

Attachments: Figure 1 – Impacts Map at Culvert 1
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Figure 1 – Impacts Map at Culvert 1

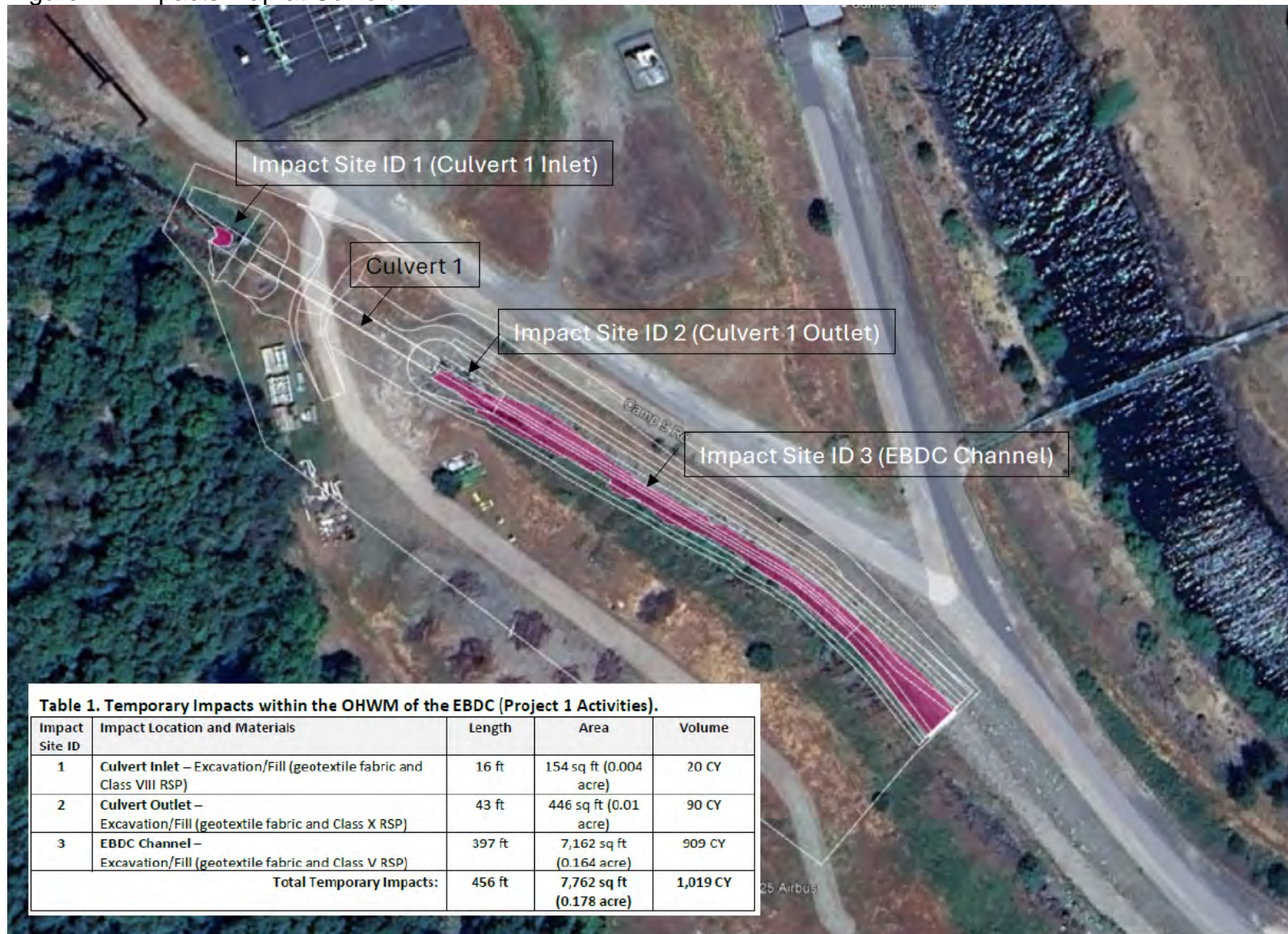


Figure 2 – Impacts Map at Culvert 2

