
Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board

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NOTICE OF APPLICABILITY; GENERAL SECTION 401 WATER QUALITY CERTIFICATION ORDER REQUIREMENTS FOR CALTRANS, DEBRIS REMOVAL AT 3 BRIDGES 06-1G070 PROJECT (WDID# 5C54CR00138), TULARE COUNTY

On 28 June 2023, Caltrans (Applicant) filed a notification requesting coverage under the 9 October 2018 State Water Resources Control Board Clean Water Act Section 401 General Water Quality Certification of the United States Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) Regional General Permit 8 (General Certification Order) for the Debris Removal at 3 Bridges 06-1G070 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 0.92 acre/174 linear feet of waters of the United States.

The Central Valley Water Board is certifying this Project under United States Army Corps of Engineers Regional General Permit 8, Emergency Repair and Protection 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/generalorders/rgp8_cert.pdf) (https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/water_issues/programs/cwa401/docs/generalorders/rgp8_cert.pdf) can be found on the State Water Resources Control Board's General Orders webpage.

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 28 June 2023, and supplementary information (Application Package). Coverage under the General Certification Order is no longer valid if the Project (as described) is modified.

PROJECT DESCRIPTION:

The 1-acre Project consists of debris removal, tree removal of small riparian trees and other vegetation caught under the bridge, and removal of sandbar deposits. Work is proposed up to 30 feet from the edge of the bridge deck on both sides of the bridge (174 linear feet total). Approximately 275 cubic yards of sand bar deposit material will be removed from the channel.

The Project will temporarily impact 0.92 acre/174 linear feet of waters of the United States.

PROJECT LOCATION:

The Project is located at the South Branch Tule River Bridger over Highway 99.

Latitude: 36.093988 degrees North and Longitude: -119.322095 degrees West

PROJECT SCHEDULE:

The approximate timeframe of Project construction is July 2023 through 30 August 2023.

APPLICATION FEE RECEIVED:

An application fee of \$2,734.00 was received on 17 July 2023.

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 F - Emergency Projects authorized by a Water Board General Order (fee code 85) with the dredge and fill fee calculator.

If you have any questions regarding this Notice of Applicability, please contact Brandon Salazar at (559) 445-6287 or at Brandon.Salazar@waterboards.ca.gov.

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