

State Water Resources Control Board

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SUBJECT: CLEAN WATER ACT SECTION 401 WATER QUALITY CERTIFICATION FOR
THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION STATE ROUTE 138 WIDENING
PROJECT PHASE 1, FILE NO. SB13004IN, REGULATORY MEASURE 394308

On July 29, 2013, The Department of Transportation (Caltrans) submitted an application to the State Water Resources Control Board (State Water Board) Division of Water Quality for issuance of a Clean Water Act section 401 water quality certification (Certification) for the State Route 138 Widening Project - Phase 1(Project). State Water Board staff deemed the application complete on December 10, 2013.

State Water Board staff reviewed the information submitted by Caltrans describing activities, proposed water quality protection measures, and compensatory mitigation for the Project. State Water Board staff also coordinated with the Lahontan Regional Water Quality Control Board and the Santa Ana Regional Water Quality Control Board and solicited comments from staff.

Pursuant to title 23, section 3838 of the California Code of Regulations, I hereby make the Certification determination described in the Enclosure for this Project. Attachments A through G of the Enclosure are also part of this Certification.

If you require further assistance, please contact Mr. Bob Solecki, the staff person most knowledgeable on the subject, at (916) 341-5483 (robert.solecki@waterboards.ca.gov). You may also contact Mr. Bill Orme, Chief of the 401 Certification and Wetlands Protection Unit, at (916) 341-5464 (bill.orme@waterboards.ca.gov)

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Enclosures:

Water Quality Certification and seven (7) attachments:

- A. Signatory Requirements**
- B. Project Area Map**
- C. Project Information**
- D. Project Impacts and Compensatory Mitigation**
- E. Certification Deviation Procedures**
- F. Project Environmental Commitments Record**
- G. CEQA Findings of Fact**

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