

**PUBLIC NOTICE FOR
CLEAN WATER ACT 401 WATER QUALITY CERTIFICATION
AMENDMENT BEFORE THE STATE WATER RESOURCES
CONTROL BOARD**

A request for water quality certification (certification) amendment under section 401 of the Clean Water Act for the following project was filed with the State Water Resources Control Board (State Water Board). California Code of Regulations, title 23, section 3858 requires the Executive Director of the State Water Board to provide public notice of an application for certification amendment at least twenty-one (21) days before taking certification action on the application. The typical notice period may be shortened in an emergency.

Written questions and/or comments regarding the application should be directed to Jessica Dyke:

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Division of Water Rights – Water Quality Certification Program
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RECEIVED:	October 15, 2024
PROJECT:	Poe Hydroelectric Project
APPLICANT:	Pacific Gas and Electric Company
CONTACT:	Anna Urias
COUNTY:	Butte County
PUBLIC NOTICE:	November 13, 2024

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: On October 15, 2024, the Pacific Gas and Electric Company (PG&E) submitted a water quality certification (certification) amendment application for the Poe Hydroelectric Project (Project). The amendment would allow temporary modifications to Condition 1 (Minimum Instream Flows) and Condition 13 (Tributary Access). A temporary reduction in minimum instream flow (MIF) is needed to complete dam safety maintenance on the radial bypass gate, specifically, recoating the gate, replacing seals, and replacing the hoist and controls. PG&E proposes to lower MIF to 100 cfs from June 1, 2025, through November 1, 2025. Because lowering MIF will impact tributary access monitoring, PG&E proposes to delay monitoring until the next Critically Dry water year type if 2025 is classified as a Critically Dry water year.