

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

A request for a water quality certification (certification) 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 at least twenty-one (21) days before taking certification action on the application. The 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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State Water Resources Control Board
Division of Water Rights – Water Quality Certification Program
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RECEIVED:	September 30, 2025
PROJECT:	French Meadows Boat Ramp Extension Project
APPLICANT:	Placer County Water Agency
APPLICANT CONTACT:	Ben Ransom
COUNTY:	Placer County
PUBLIC NOTICE:	October 29, 2025

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: On September 30, 2025, Placer County Water Agency (PCWA) submitted a request for a water quality certification for the French Meadows Boat Ramp Extension Project (Project). The Project is required under the terms of PCWA's Middle Fork American River Hydroelectric Project (Federal Energy Regulatory Commission [FERC] Project No. 2079) FERC license. The Project includes extending the existing boat ramp on French Meadows Reservoir by approximately 365 linear feet to an elevation of approximately 5,177 feet (23 vertical feet lower than the bottom of the existing boat ramp). Boat ramp extension construction will include removing 12 inches of existing concrete, constructing a cold joint between existing and newly poured concrete, constructing a new 365-foot by 20-foot boat ramp extension, constructing a new 70-foot by 60-foot boat ramp turnaround, and installing 25-foot by 20-foot by 26-inch-deep rip-rap armoring at the end of the new section of boat ramp. The Project will include a staging area with a concrete washout area. The Project would be initiated in October of the first year in which water conditions allow for maintenance of a water surface elevation at or below 5,174 feet above mean sea level.