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August 19, 2011

Mr. Paul Kraus
Eureka Ready Mix Concrete, Inc
1955 Hilfiker Avenue
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Dear Mr. Kraus:

Subject: Amendment to Clean Water Act Section 401 Water Quality Certification for Granite Construction Company's Mad River Aggregate Extraction at Emmerson, Blue Lake, and Johnson Bars

File: Granite Construction Company - Gravel Extraction Operations, Blue Lake WDID No. 1B02120WNHU

On August 12, 2011, we received your letter, on behalf of Eureka Ready Mix Concrete Company, Incorporated (Eureka Ready Mix), requesting transfer of Granite Construction Company's (Granite) water quality certification (certification) for Mad River Aggregate Extraction at the Emmerson, Blue Lake, and Johnson Bars. The certification authorizes activities associated with gravel (river-run aggregate) extraction operations at these three gravel bars located on the Mad River near Glendale and the City of Blue Lake. The Regional Water Board also received a copy of Granite's July 26, 2011 letter to Eureka Ready Mix indicating that Granite is transferring the certification, and other related permits and authorizations, to Mr. Rob McLaughlin and Eureka Ready Mix in response to the recent sales/lease transactions.

In response to your request, this letter serves as an amendment to the Clean Water Act, section 401, Water Quality Certification issued to Granite on September 29, 2010 for aggregate extraction activities at the Emmerson, Blue Lake, and Johnson Bars on the Mad River. This amendment transfers the authorization of this certification to Eureka Ready Mix, as outlined below:

Authorization: The authorization of coverage under this certification is transferred from Granite Construction Company to Eureka Ready Mix Concrete Company, Incorporated. Conditions and monitoring requirements outlined in the certification remain in full effect and are enforceable.

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I hereby issue an amendment to the Water Quality Certification Order (WDID No. 1B02120WNHU) for Granite Construction Company – Mad River Aggregate Extraction at Emmerson, Blue Lake, and Johnson Bars, certifying that the remainder of the Water Quality Certification sections of the Order are still valid.

Please include WDID No. 1B02120WNHU on all future correspondence related to this certification. If you have any questions or comments please contact Dean Prat at (707) 576-2801.

Sincerely,

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Executive Officer

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