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Mr. Brian Barrett
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Dear Mr. Barrett:

Subject: Amendment to the Clean Water Act Section 401 Certification (Water Quality Certification) Order for the Caspar Creek Fish Ladder Construction Project, Mendocino County, California

File: Caspar Creek Fish Ladder Construction Project (Project)
WDID No. 1B07164WNME

On September 30, 2008, Mr. Brian Barrett of California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection (Applicant) submitted a Request for an amendment to the existing Clean Water Act Section 401 Certification (Water Quality Certification) Order for the Project. The amendment request is based on a need to complete the Project before the rainy season. Applicant requests that the expiration date for work to be extended from October 15th to November 15th. Other resource agencies, namely NOAA Fisheries and California Department of Fish and Game have amended their respective permits/agreements to extend the work period of the project until November 15th.

Amended Work Period Date: Work within the banks of Caspar Creek shall be completed for the season, by November 15, 2008.

I hereby issue an amendment to the Caspar Creek Fish Ladder Construction Project (WDID No. 1B07164WNME) certifying that the Water Quality Certification section of the Order is still valid. If you have any questions or comments, please contact Stephen Bargsten of my staff at (707) 576-2653.

Sincerely,

Catherine Kuhlman
Executive Officer

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