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**Edmund G. Brown Jr.**  
Governor

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Mr. Doug Dinsmore  
Humboldt County Public Works Department  
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Dear Mr. Dinsmore:

**Subject:** Amendment to the Federal Clean Water Act, Section 401, Water Quality Certification for the Johnson Gulch and Bonanza Gulch Sediment Removal Projects

**File:** Humboldt Co. DPW – Johnson Gulch and Bonanza Gulch Sediment Removal Projects (WDID No. 1B10119WNHU)

On July 1, 2011, we received your letter requesting an amendment to the May 10, 2011, Federal Clean Water Act, section 401, Water Quality Certification (Certification) for the Johnson Gulch and Bonanza Gulch Sediment Removal Projects. On June 27, 2011, Humboldt County Public Works Department was issued a Department of the Army permit (File No. 2010-00428N) authorizing sediment removal activities on an annual or periodic basis over a 10-year duration permit. This federal permit states that the time limit for completing the work authorized ends on October 15, 2020. Your letter requests that the expiration date of the Certification be amended to coincide with the expiration date in the federal permit.

In response to your request, this letter serves as an amendment to Condition 18 of the Certification, allowing an extension of the authorization of this Certification as outlined below:

**Condition 18:** The authorization of this certification for any dredge and fill activities expires on October 15, 2020. Conditions and monitoring requirements outlined in the certification are not subject to the expiration date outlined above, and remain in full effect and are enforceable.

I hereby issue an amendment to the expiration date in Condition 18 of the Certification for the Humboldt County DPW – Johnson Gulch and Bonanza Gulch Sediment

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Removal Projects (WDID No. 1B10119WNHU) certifying that the remainder of the Water Quality Certification sections of the May 10, 2011 Order are still valid.

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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