
North Coast Regional Water Quality Control Board

May 16, 2014

Russian River Recreation and Parks District
Attn: Paige MacDonell
P.O. Box 195
Guerneville, CA 95446

Dear Ms. MacDonell:

Subject: Notice of Applicability (NOA) for Coverage under the State Water Resources Control Water Quality Order 2004-0004-DWQ for Dredged or Fill Discharges to Waters Deemed by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers to be Outside of Federal Jurisdiction

File: Vacation Beach Summer Dam Bracket Replacement Project WDID
1B14042WNSO

On May 14, 2014, the North Coast Regional Water Quality Control Board (Regional Water Board) received a Notice of Intent (NOI) to comply with the terms of, and obtain coverage under, the State Water Resources Control Water Quality Order 2004-0004-DWQ for Dredged or Fill Discharges to Waters Deemed by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers to be Outside of Federal Jurisdiction (General WDR) for the Vacation Beach Summer Dam Bracket Replacement Project (project) from the Russian River Recreation and Parks District (applicant).

The Project is located in the Lower Russian River Hydrologic Area (114.11). The scope of the project is the removal and replacement of 24 support strut bracket assemblies and anchored bolts (brackets) on the Vacation Beach summer dam. The brackets were originally installed in 1985 and their integrity has been reduced by erosion and oxidation.

Temporary dewatering will occur and the water from the cofferdam will be pumped and discharged into the adjacent riparian corridor, allowing water to percolate into the ground, and not reenter the active channel. Work would occur between May 15, 2014, and October 15, 2016, with a work period of May 15 through October 15 of each year.

Regional Water Board staff has determined that the Project, as described in the NOI, is categorically exempt from CEQA review (section 15301 subsection d – Existing Facilities). The applicant has verified that a Clean Water Act, section 404 authorization from the United States Army Corps of Engineers is not required.

The project will cause temporary impacts to the Russian River totaling approximately 132.75 square feet. The project shall be constructed and maintained as described within application materials.

Receiving Water: Lower Russian River (114.11)

Permanent Area Impacted: None

Temporary Area Impacted: 132.75 square feet

Fill Volume: None

Latitude/Longitude: 38°483414N / 123.010475°W

Regional Water Board staff has determined that the proposed activities may proceed under the General WDR and you should familiarize yourself with its provisions. Please call Kaete King at (707) 576-2848 or Stephen Bargsten at (707) 576-2653 if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Original Signed By

Matthias St. John
Executive Officer

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Weblink: State Water Resources Control Water Quality Order 2004-0004-DWQ for Dredged or Fill Discharges to Waters Deemed by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers to be Outside of Federal Jurisdiction can be found here:
www.waterboards.ca.gov/board.../2004/wqo/wqo2004-0004.pdf

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