

June 18, 2013

**Public Notice for Water Quality Certification and/or Waste
Discharge Requirements (Dredge/Fill Projects)**

Hanna Winery Culvert Replacement
WDID No. 1B12191WNSO

Sonoma County

On November 26, 2012, the North Coast Regional Water Quality Control Board (Regional Water Board) received an application from Hanna Winery (Applicant), requesting Federal Clean Water Act, section 401, Water Quality Certification for activities associated with replacement of a failing culvert. The proposed project will cause disturbances to waters of the United States associated with the Laguna de Santa Rosa, in the Russian River Hydrologic Unit, Laguna Hydrologic Sub-Area No. 114.21. The Project is located at latitude 38.428403°N, and longitude 122.807889°W. Temporary impact to bed and bank of an unnamed tributary to the Laguna de Santa Rosa is approximately 0.002 acres/10 linear feet.

The proposed project involves the replacement of a failing 36 inch diameter culvert with two 60-inch diameter culverts within a seasonal creek that is a tributary to the Laguna de Santa Rosa. Concrete headwalls will be installed at the upstream and downstream ends of the 18-foot long culverts, and approximately 10 linear feet of rock slope protection will be placed on the downstream end of the culverts to replace existing bank hardening and protect the outfall area. The areas above and below the culverts will be dewatered by use of sandbag coffer dams and a gravity flow pipe. Stream flow should be very low to dry during the summer construction season. Concrete shall be allowed to cure for at least 30 days, or a concrete sealing agent will be used, before the coffer dams are removed and any stream water is allowed to contact the concrete areas. Any construction dewatering shall be disposed of appropriately, and shall not be discharged back into waters of the state.

The project is planned to commence summer/fall 2013. Work is planned to last up to 10 weeks.

Mitigation includes decreased sediment delivery to the creek from the eroding bank and culvert area. Best Management Practices for erosion control on disturbed upland areas will include application of a suitable erosion control seed mix, erosion control fabric, and fiber rolls. The project does not involve any new permanent impact.

The Applicant has applied for authorization from the United States Army Corps of Engineers for a Clean Water Act, section 404 permit. The Applicant has also applied to California Department of Fish and Wildlife for a Streambed Alteration Agreement.

The Regional Water Board, as lead California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) agency, will issue a Notice of Exemption, 15302-Replacement Projects, and file it with the State Clearinghouse, concurrent with issuance of the 401 Water Quality Certification, pursuant to CEQA guidelines.

The information contained in this public notice is only a summary of the Applicant's proposed activities. The application for Water Quality Certification in the Regional Water Board's file contains additional details about the proposed project including maps and photos. The application and Regional Water Board file are available for public review.

Regional Water Board staff are proposing to regulate this project pursuant to Section 401 of the Clean Water Act (33 USC 1341) and/or Porter-Cologne Water Quality Control Act authority. In addition, staff will consider all comments submitted in writing and received at this office by mail during a 21-day comment period that begins on the first date of issuance of this letter and ends at 5:00 p.m. on the last day of the comment period. If you have any questions, please contact staff member Stephen Bargsten at (707) 576-2653 within 21 days of the posting of this notice.