

July 29, 2015

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

**Sonoma County Regional Parks, Bodega Bay Boat Launch Facilities Improvement  
WDID 1B13046WNSO**

**Sonoma County**

On April 24, 2013, the North Coast Regional Water Quality Control Board (Regional Water Board) received an application from Mark Cleveland, Sonoma County Regional Parks (applicant), requesting Federal Clean Water Act, section 401, Water Quality Certification (certification) and/or Waste Discharge Requirements (Dredge/Fill Projects) for activities associated with the Sonoma County Regional Parks, Bodega Bay Boat Launch Facilities Improvement Project (project). The proposed project would cause disturbances to waters of the United States and the state associated with Bodega Harbor (115.22). The project is located at 2400 Westshore Road (Westside Regional Park) and at 201 Doran Beach Road (Doran Regional Park), at latitude 38.310°N and longitude 123.054°W and at latitude 38.323°N and longitude 123.055°W. Permanent impacts to waters of the United States and state would be approximately 242 square feet. Temporary impacts to waters of the United States and state would be approximately 0.05 acre with a dredge volume of 1,300 cubic yards.

The purpose of the project is to provide improved access, amenities, and safety at boat launching facilities in Bodega Bay at Doran and Westside Regional Parks. At Westside Regional Park, the project will involve expanding the boat ramp to three lanes, repairing scour at the bottom of the ramp surface, replacing piles and boarding floats, resurfacing the parking area, upgrading the boat wash-down and fish cleaning area, and installing a new concrete trail and picnic tables. At Doran Regional Park, the project involves resurfacing the boat ramp, replacing piles and boarding floats, moving the boat wash-down, repairing and upgrading the fish cleaning station, and resurfacing and expanding the paved parking area.

Compensatory mitigation for the project includes the creation of 500 square feet of tidal mudflat. The project will employ best management practices to prevent or reduce any discharges during and after construction. Low impact development features will be used to retain and treat stormwater runoff. The project expected is expected to begin in September 2015.

The Applicant has received Clean Water Act section 404 authorization from the United States Army Corps of Engineers under Nationwide Permit Numbers 25-Structural Discharges, 35-Maintenance Dredging of Existing Basins, and 36-Boat Ramps and under

Section 10 of the Rivers and Harbors Act. The applicant has also applied for a permit from the California Coastal Commission.

On March 26, 2013, Sonoma County Regional Parks approved a Mitigated Negative Declaration (SCH 20122092001) for the project in order to comply with CEQA. The Regional Water Board has considered the environmental document, BMPs, and any proposed changes incorporated into the project or required as a condition of approval to avoid significant effects to the environment.

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. 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 notice and ends at 5:00 p.m. on the last day of the comment period. If you have any questions, please contact staff member Kaete King at (707) 576-2848 or Stephen Bargsten at (707) 576-2653.