

August 13, 2015

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

**3510 Eddy Creek Road Culvert Repair and Enhancement Project  
WDID No. 1A15102WNSI**

**Siskiyou County**

On August 12, 2015, the North Coast Regional Water Quality Control Board (Regional Water Board) received an application from David Maluf (Applicant), requesting Federal Clean Water Act, section 401, Water Quality Certification for activities associated with the 3510 Eddy Creek Road Culvert Repair and Enhancement Project (Project). The proposed Project will cause disturbances to waters of the United States and the State associated with Eddy Creek within the Klamath River Hydrologic Unit No. 105.5. The Project is located at 3510 Eddy Creek Road, Weed, Siskiyou County, at latitude 41.4003°N, and longitude 122.4489°W. Permanent impacts to waters of the U.S. include approximately 155 cubic yards of fill and/or excavation. Temporary impacts to waters of the U.S. include approximately 30 linear feet of streambed.

The primary purpose of the Project is to replace a damaged culvert crossing on Eddy Creek with a flat car bridge to re-establish access to the residence at 3510 Eddy Creek Road.

The proposed Project would replace a series of undersized culverts with a 60 foot long flatcar bridge engineered to accommodate a 100 year flood event and allow for fish passage. The project would also include the removal of three of the original five culverts. Work areas would be isolated from flowing water and erosion protection would be in place during construction. Proposed erosion control practices include the installation of silt fences and certified weed-free straw bales downstream of the project. The deposited sediment from the culvert failure that occurred during the winter of 2015 would be excavated to the depth of the natural stream thalweg. All excavated materials would be placed at an upland location away from the creek and would not enter the stream channel. Project construction would require temporarily diverting water. Stream flows would be temporarily directed towards the remaining culverts during construction and would be redirected back to the natural thalweg under the bridge upon completion of bridge construction. Impacts to riparian vegetation would be minimal and any impacts would be replaced in kind. All work would be completed before the rainy season.

The Project is planned to begin in September of 2015, with construction work planned to last approximately two weeks.

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

The Regional Water Board, as lead California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) agency, has determined that the project qualifies for a Categorical Exemption, 15302 (c) Replacement or Reconstruction, and will file a Notice of Exemption 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 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 Jake Shannon at (707) 576-2673 or Stephen Bargsten at (707) 576-2653 within 21 days of the posting of this notice.