

June 9, 2016

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

**Crossroads Affordable Housing Project  
WDID No. 1B15063WNSO**

**Sonoma County**

On June 8, 2015, the North Coast Regional Water Quality Control Board (Regional Water Board) received an application from the Burbank Housing Development Corporation, Pascal Sisich (Applicant), requesting Federal Clean Water Act, section 401, Water Quality Certification for activities associated with the Crossroads Affordable Housing Project (Project). The proposed Project will cause disturbances to waters of the United States associated with wetlands within the Russian River Hydrologic Unit No. 114.21. The Project is located at 1980 and 2010 Burbank Avenue, Santa Rosa, Sonoma County, at approximately latitude 38.42°N, and longitude 122.73°W. Permanent impacts to waters of the U.S. include filling approximately 0.04 acres of wetlands. No temporary impacts to waters are proposed for this project.

The primary purpose of the Project is to construct a 79-unit housing complex consisting of affordable multi-family rental homes to serve the community. The proposed Project would include grading, filling and construction on 4.85 acres, of which, 0.04 acres are jurisdictional wetlands, waters of the U.S. The project includes storm water mitigation plans to meet the current low impact development standards. The project will require development of public water and sewer utilities to be provided by, the City of Santa Rosa. The proposed project would have an as-built density of 20.66 units per acre on the recently used pasture land.

The proposed Project includes the proof of purchase of wetland, endangered plant and California Tiger Salamander (CTS) mitigation credits totaling 5.65 acres, 0.05 acres of wetlands creation and 5.6 acres of CTS habitat from the Hazel Mitigation Bank, and 0.05 acres of preservation of plant habitat from the Davis Mitigation Bank. The Project proposes to employ best management practices to prevent or reduce any discharges during and after construction and has submitted a sediment and erosion control plan.

The Project is planned to begin in the August of 2016 through September of 2017 with construction work planned to last approximately 17 months.

The Applicant has applied for authorization from the United States Army Corps of Engineers for a Clean Water Act, section 404 permit.

On February 15, 2011, Sonoma County, as lead California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) agency, has produced an Initial Study and Proposed Mitigated Negative Declaration

and filed with the State Clearinghouse (SCH No. 2015069001), 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 Gil Falcone [Gil.Falcone@waterboards.ca.gov](mailto:Gil.Falcone@waterboards.ca.gov) at (707) 576-2830 or Stephen Bargsten [Stephen.Bargsten@waterboards.ca.gov](mailto:Stephen.Bargsten@waterboards.ca.gov) at (707) 576-2653 within 21 days of the posting of this notice.