

Section 401 Water Quality Certification Public Notice

The Central Coast Water Board is currently reviewing an application for the following project for water quality certification under Section 401 of the Clean Water Act. We encourage public comments on the proposed work, which will be considered in the decision on certification. You may submit written comments on this project to:

Central Coast Regional Water Quality Control Board

895 Aerovista Place, Suite 101

San Luis Obispo, CA 93401

Attention: 401 Coordinator

OR

centralcoast@waterboards.ca.gov

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Project Applicant	Santa Cruz County Parks Dept. -- Sheryl Bailey
Applicant's Agent	Self-Representing
Project Name	Heart of Soquel Storm Drain Repair
Receiving Water	Soquel Creek
City/County	Soquel/Santa Cruz
Public Notice	March 21, 2017 – April 11, 2017
Project Description	<p>The purpose of this project is to repair and replace an existing storm drain pipe that failed in 2015/16, resulting in an eroded gully at the top of the creek bank.</p> <p>The project activities include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Conducting 10 cubic yards of cut and 20 cubic yards of fill (including pipe backfill);• Removing the existing catch basin, installing a new storm drain inlet, and installing approximately 35 linear feet of new 18-inch diameter underground storm drainage pipe;• Placing approximately 7.5-feet of new storm drain, outfall, and rock energy dissipater below top-of bank;• Installing a willow mattress around and down the slope of the drain outlet/energy dissipater;• Installing two trees and 23 shrubs at top-of-bank in and around the temporarily disturbed area;• Monitoring the plantings for a 5-year period; and• Conducting construction activities during the dry season without use of dewatering. <p>Proposed mitigation includes creating 0.043 acres and restoring 0.002 acres of riparian area.</p> <p>The Santa Cruz County Planning Department filed an Categorical Exemption in March 2017</p>