

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 Barbara County Association of Governments - Fred Luna
Applicant's Agent	Rincon Consultants, Inc. - Colby Boggs
Project Name	State Route 166/ Black Road Intersection Improvements Project
Receiving Water	Unnamed ditch with connection to the Santa Maria River
City/County	Santa Maria/Santa Barbara
Public Notice	January 22, 2016 – February 22, 2016
Project Description	<p>The purpose of this project is to improve traffic operations, enhance safety of this intersection, and to be consistent with traffic associated with existing and planned local development.</p> <p>The project activities include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Constructing either a signalization of the existing stop-controlled intersection or installing a roundabout;• Excavating or roadway widening and construction of drainage facilities;• Placing lighting and signals; and• Temporarily diverting runoff and off-site flow along ditches if necessary. <p>Project activities for the roundabout option include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Installing a roundabout with a raised and landscaped center island, encircled by an apron;• Widening the road at the roundabout's ingress and egress points;• Extending the existing culvert; and• Reconstructing the culvert headwalls and rock slope protection to accommodate the culvert extension. <p>Project activities for the signalization option include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Installing a four-way, signal-controlled intersection;• Widening the western leg of the intersection; and• Realigning the ditch located along the west side of Black Road and widening the road to accommodate a southbound lane, a left-turn lane, and a northbound lane. <p>No compensatory mitigation is planned for this project.</p>

	The California Department of Transportation filed a (Mitigated) Negative Declaration.
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