

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	Hanson Aggregates - Terry A. Marshall
Applicant's Agent	WRA, Inc. - Tanner Harris
Project Name	Santa Margarita Quarry Expansion Project
Receiving Water	Unnamed Ephemeral Tributary to Salinas River
City/County	Santa Margarita/San Luis Obispo
Public Notice	September 29, 2016 – October 20, 2016
Project Description	<p>The purpose of this project is to maintain a local, reliable and economic source of high-quality construction aggregates to serve market demand in the Central Coast Region.</p> <p>The project activities include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Removing an ephemeral drainage to expand an existing mining operation; • Filling the drainage at the downstream end to create quarry access road, prior to complete removal of the drainage; • Clearing and grubbing vegetation and removing a limited amount of surface soil and decomposed granite; • Mining below the drainage to an elevation of 880 feet, removing the channel permanently; and • Using a current blasting technique to mine below the drainage. <p>Proposed compensatory mitigation includes preserving 4 acres of streambed.</p> <p>San Luis Obispo County filed an Environmental Impact Report on March 30, 2015.</p>