

State Water Resources Control Board
Division of Water Quality
Water Quality Certification Program

Public Notice Of Application for Water Quality Certification

Pursuant to federal law (Title 33, United States Code, Section 1341; Clean Water Act Section 401), applicants for a federal license or permit for activities, which may discharge to waters of the United States must seek Water Quality Certification from the state or Indian tribe with jurisdiction. Such Certification is based on a finding that the discharge will meet water quality standards and other applicable requirements. In California, Regional Water Quality Control Boards (Regional Boards) issue or deny Certification for discharges within their geographical jurisdiction. The State Water Resources Control Board (State Water Board) has this responsibility for projects affecting waters within multiple Regional Water Boards' jurisdictions.

The following information is provided in satisfaction of the public notice requirements of Section 3858, Title 23, of the California Code of Regulations, which govern the State's Certification Program.

Applicant: California Department of Transportation

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Project Name: Interstate-80 Rehabilitation Project

Project: The California Department of Transportation and the Federal Highway Administration propose to rehabilitate Interstate 80 in Nevada County from the Soda Springs exit to the Town of Truckee. The project involves rehabbing the existing roadway surface, adding safety and operational improvements and upgrading the highway drainage systems. The proposed project will impact waters of the U.S. and State. However, the impacts will be mitigated as described in the Environmental Impact Report and the mitigation plan.

The State Water Board issued a 401 Water Quality Certification for this project in December 2001. This notice is for an amendment to the December 2001 certification due to the change of project design.

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