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STATE WATER RESOURCES CONTROL BOARD

**APPLICATION TO APPROPRIATE WATER BY PERMIT
ENVIRONMENTAL INFORMATION**

(THIS IS NOT A CEQA DOCUMENT)

APPLICATION NO. **31432**

The following information will aid in the environmental review of your application as required by the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA). IN ORDER FOR YOUR APPLICATION TO BE ACCEPTED AS COMPLETED, ANSWERS TO THE QUESTIONS LISTED BELOW MUST BE COMPLETED TO THE BEST OF YOUR ABILITY. Failure to answer all questions may result in your application being returned to you, causing delays in processing. If you need more space, attach additional sheets. Additional information may be required from you to amplify further or clarify the information requested in this form.

PROJECT DESCRIPTION

1. Provide a description of your project, including but not limited to, type of construction activity, structures existing or to be built, area to be graded or excavated and project operation, including how the water will be used.

This project involves securing an appropriate water right to authorize an existing use of water from the Big Sore River for the Point Sore Light Station and former Naval Facility. No new construction is proposed. An existing well in what is now Andrew Molera State Park draws water from the underflow of the Big Sore River. The water is carried by pipe 3 miles to Point Sore. Both the Point Sore Light Station and the former Naval Facility ~~was~~ are now managed by State Parks. The water system was constructed by the US Navy in 1958.

GOVERNMENTAL REQUIREMENTS

Before a final decision can be made on your water right application, we must consider the information contained in an environmental document prepared in compliance with the requirements of CEQA. If an environmental document has been prepared, a determination must be made as to who is responsible for the preparation of the environmental document for your project. The following questions are designed to aid us in that determination.

2. Contact your county planning or public works department for the following information:

- a. Person contacted _____ Date of contact _____
Department _____ Telephone () _____
- b. Assessor's Parcel No. _____
- c. County Zoning Designation _____
- d. Are any county permits required for your project? NO
If yes, check appropriate space below:
_____ Grading Permit, NE Use Permit, _____ Watercourse
Obstruction Permit, NE Change of Zoning, _____ General Plan
Change, Other (explain): _____

- e. Have you obtained any of the required permits described above? NA
If yes, provide a complete copy of each permit obtained.

3. Are any additional state or federal permits required for your project? NO (i.e., from Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, U.S. Forest Service, Bureau of Land Management, Soil Conservation Service, Department of Water Resources (Division of Safety of Dams), Reclamation Board, Coastal Commission, State Lands Commission, etc.) For each agency from which a permit is required provide the following information:

- Permit type _____
- Person (s) contacted _____ Agency _____
- Date of contact NONE Telephone () _____

4. Has any public agency prepared an environmental document for any aspect of your project?
NO

If so, please submit a copy of the latest environmental document (s) prepared, including a copy of the notice of determination adopted by the public agency. If not, explain below whether you expect that a public agency other than the State Water Resources Control Board will be preparing

an environmental document for your application or whether the applicant, if it is a California public agency, will be preparing the environmental document for your project:

TO BE DETERMINED

Note: When completed, please submit a copy of the final environmental document (including notice of determination) or notice of exemption to the State Water Resources Control Board. Processing of your application cannot proceed until such documents are submitted.

5. Will your project, during construction or operation, generate waste or wastewater containing such things as sewage, industrial chemicals, metals, or agricultural chemicals, or cause erosion, turbidity or sedimentation? _____ If so, explain: _____

NO CONSTRUCTION

If yes or you are unsure of your answer, contact your local Regional Water Quality Control Board for the following information (See attachment for address and telephone number): .

Will a waste discharge permit be required for your project? NO

Person contacted _____ Date of contact _____

What method of treatment and disposal will be used? _____

6. Have any archeological reports been prepared on this project, or will you be preparing an archeological report to satisfy another public agency? NO

Do you know of any archeological or historic sites located within the general project area?

Yes If so, explain: NATIVE AMERICAN ARCHEOLOGICAL SITES ARE KNOWN TO BE IN THE VICINITY. THE POINT SUR LIGHT STATION IS A HISTORIC SITE.

ENVIRONMENTAL SETTING

7. Attach **THREE COMPLETE SETS** of color photographs, clearly dated and labeled, showing the vegetation currently existing at the following locations:
- a. Along the stream channel immediately downstream from the proposed point(s) of diversion
 - b. Along the stream channel immediately upstream from the proposed point(s) of diversion
 - c. At the place(s) where the water is to be used
- Note: It is very important that you submit no less than three complete sets of photographs as required above. If less than three sets are submitted, processing of your application will be delayed until you furnish the remaining sets!

8. From the list given below, mark or circle the general plant community types which best describe those which occur within your project area (Note: See footnote denoted by * under Question 11 below):

Tree Dominated Communities

Subalpine Conifer
Red Fir
Lodgepole Pine
Mixed Conifer
 Sierran Mixed Conifer
 White Fir
 Klamath Mixed Conifer
Douglas-Fir
Jeffrey Pine
Ponderosa Pine
Eastside Pine
Redwood
Pinyon-Juniper
Juniper
Aspen
Closed-Cone Pine-Cypress
Montane Hardwood-Conifer
Montane Hardwood
Valley Foothill Hardwood
 Blue Oak Woodland
 Valley Oak Woodland
 Coastal Oak Woodland
Valley Foothill Hardwood-Conifer
 Blue Oak-Digger Pine
Eucalyptus
Montane Riparian
Valley Foothill Riparian
Desert Riparian
Palm Oasis
Joshua Tree

Shrub Dominated Communities

Alpine Dwarf-Shrub
Low Sage
Bitterbrush
Sagebrush
Montane Chaparral
Mixed Chaparral
Chamise-Redshank Chaparral

Coastal Scrub
Desert Succulent Shrub
Desert Wash
Desert Scrub
Alkali Desert Scrub

Herbaceous Dominated Communities

Annual Grassland
Perennial Grassland
Wet Meadow
Fresh Emergent Wetland
Saline Emergent Wetland
Pasture

Aquatic Communities

Riverine
Lacustrine
Estuarine
Marine

Developed Communities

Cropland
Orchard-Vineyard
Urban

Literature source: Mayer, K.E., and W.F. Laudenslayer, Jr., (eds). 1988. A Guide to Wildlife Habitats of California. California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection, Sacramento. 166 pp. (Note: You may view a copy of this document at our public counter at the address given at the top of this form or you may purchase a copy by calling the California Department of Fish and Game, Wildlife Habitat Relationships (WHR) Program at (916) 653-7203).

9. Provide below an estimate of the type, number, and size (trunk/stem diameter at chest height) of trees and large shrubs that are planned to be removed or destroyed due to implementation of the proposed changes. Consider all aspects of your application, including changes in diversion structures, water distribution and use facilities, and changes in the place of use due to additional water development.

no trees to be removed

FISH AND WILDLIFE CONCERNS

10. Identify the typical species of fish which occur in the source(s) from which you propose to divert water and discuss whether or not any of these fish species or their habitat has been or would be affected by your proposed changes. (Note: See footnote denoted by * under Question 11 below):

The Big Sur River provides habitat for steelhead and red legged frogs. Both species are federally listed as threatened.

11. Identify the typical species of riparian and terrestrial wildlife in the project area and discuss whether or not any of these species and/or their habitat has been or would be affected by your project through construction of water diversion and distribution works and/or changes in the place of water use. (Note: See footnote denoted by * below):

Andrew Molera State Park and the lower Big Sur River provide habitat for a wide variety of native plant and animal species. See attached document.

*Note: The purposes of Question 10 and 11 are to provide a preliminary assessment of the presence of typical plant and animal species in the area and whether these species might be affected by your project. Detailed site surveys to quantify populations of specific species or determine the presence of rare or endangered species may be required at a later date. It is very important that you answer these questions accurately. If you are unable to obtain appropriate answers from your local California Department of Fish and Game biologists (See attachment for address and telephone number) or you do not have adequate information or expertise to complete your answers, you should hire a fishery consultant and/or a wildlife consultant to review your project and prepare suitable answers for you. For information on available qualified fishery or wildlife consultants near you, consult your local telephone directory yellow pages under Environmental and Ecological Services, or call the California Environmental Protection Agency, Registered Environmental Assessor (REA) Program, at (916) 324-6881 or the University of California, Cooperative Extension Service (See your local telephone directory white pages).

12. Does your proposed project involve any construction or grading-related activity which has significantly altered or would significantly alter the bed or bank of any stream or lake? _____

If so, explain: _____

NO

CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify that the statements I have furnished above and in the attached exhibits are complete to the best of my ability, and that the facts, statements, and information presented are true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

Date April 6, 2003

Signature Lynn Rhodes