SECTION 401 WATER QUALITY CERTIFICATION PUBLIC NOTICE

The Central Coast Water Board is currently reviewing a Clean Water Act section 401 Water Quality Certification application for the project described below. We encourage public comments on the proposed project and will take comments into consideration when taking action on the application. 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: County of Santa Cruz – Antonella Gentile

Applicant’s Agent: Monterey County Water Resources Agency – Jennifer Bodensteiner

Project Name: 2021 Pajaro River Roughness Reduction

Receiving Water: Pajaro River

City/County: Watsonville / Santa Cruz

Public Notice: September 16, 2021 – October 7, 2021

Project Description:

The purpose of the proposed project is to bring the levee system back into compliance with the design discharge.

The proposed project activities include:
• Marking trees over 40 feet in height per 40 feet of channel length for retention;
• Removing trees and shrubs not marked for retention with a DBH of 3 inches or greater;
• Managing waste and non-storm water existing at the construction site; and
• Using erosion control seeding to maintain pre-project conditions.

No proposed mitigation.

The County of Santa Cruz filed an Environmental Impact Report on February 1, 2002.