

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

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San Luis Obispo, CA 93401

Attention: 401 Coordinator

OR

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Project Applicant: University of California Santa Cruz – Edward Reiskin

Applicant's Agent: University of California Santa Cruz – Erika Carpenter

Project Name: Big Creek Reserve Emergency Bank Stabilization Project

Receiving Water: Big Creek, Devil's Creek

City/County: Big Sur / Monterey

Public Notice: July 26, 2024 – August 16, 2024

Project Description:

The purpose of the project is to replace road material along Big Creek Canyon Road that was removed during the 2022/2023 winter storms and to improve on the original construction of the road to resist future high flow events

The proposed project activities include:

- Repairing failed banks at eight locations along a 1-mile-long segment of Big Creek Canyon Road;
- Placing approximately 83 cubic yards of aggregate base along segments of the road;
- Installing 1,400 cubic yards of rock slope protection along Big Creek and Devil's Creek for stabilization; and
- Revegetating the repaired slopes with native species.

No mitigation is proposed.