

July 26, 2019

**Public Notice for Water Quality Certification and/or Waste Discharge
Requirements (Dredge/Fill Projects)**

Nancy Marinchak - Seep Well Stabilization Project

40.65736° N, 122.92378° W

WDID 1A190098WNTR, CW-860003

Trinity County

On July 22, 2019, the North Coast Regional Water Quality Control Board (Regional Water Board) received an application from Nancy Marinchak (Applicant), requesting federal Clean Water Act, section 401, Water Quality Certification (certification) for activities related to the proposed Seep Well Stabilization Project (Project). The Project is located on the Trinity River at 271 River Ranch Road, Douglas City, California.

Project Description

The purpose of the proposed Project is to stabilize a 40-foot section of the bank of the Trinity River to prevent erosion around, and damage to, an existing domestic seep well. The Project entails excavating and laying back the slope of the existing streambank; placing 20 cubic yards of riprap and five cubic yards of clean, washed drain rock; and planting native riparian vegetation up- and down-stream of the well.

The project will adhere to the designs, work plans, project footprint, and all other components of the application package.

Project Timeline

The proposed work would occur between September 1 and October 15, 2019. Project implementation would take approximately 14 days.

Receiving Waters

The Project would cause disturbances to waters of the U.S. and the state associated with the stream bank of the Trinity River, within the Trinity River Hydrologic Unit No. 106.31.

Impacts

The proposed Project would result in permanent impacts to approximately 40 linear feet and 290 square feet of stream bank, within the Trinity River.

Mitigation

The impacts associated with this Project would result in a reduction of sediment delivery to the Trinity River and therefore would not require mitigation. Additionally, this Project has been designed to avoid the removal of established riparian vegetation.

Other Agency Permits and Actions

The Applicant has applied to the United States Army Corps of Engineers for a section 404 permit and to the California Department of Fish and Wildlife for a Streambed Alteration Agreement.

CEQA

The North Coast Regional Water Quality Control Board, as lead California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) agency, has determined that the Project qualifies for Categorical Exemption, 15304 Minor Alterations to Land, and will file a Notice of Exemption with the State Clearinghouse concurrent with issuance of the 401 Water Quality Certification, pursuant to CEQA guidelines.

Public Comments

Regional Water Board staff are proposing to regulate this project pursuant to Section 401 of the Clean Water Act (33 USC 1341) and/or Porter-Cologne Water Quality Control Act authority. In addition, staff will consider all phone calls and comments submitted in writing and received within a 21-day comment period that begins on the first date of issuance of this notice and ends at 5:00 p.m. on the last day of the comment period. Please contact Jake Shannon at Jacob.shannon@waterboards.ca.gov or (707) 576-2673 within 21 days of the posting of this notice if you have any questions or comments. The information contained in this public notice is only a summary of the applicant's proposed activities. The Regional Water Board's project file includes the application for certification and additional details of the proposed project, including maps and design drawings. Project documents and any comments received are on file and may be reviewed or copied at the Regional Water Board office, 5550 Skylane Boulevard, Suite A, Santa Rosa, California. Appointments are recommended for document review. Appointments can be made by calling (707) 576-2220.