

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 San Luis Obispo Public Works Department – John Waddell

Applicant's Agent: County of San Luis Obispo Public Works Department, Environmental Programs Division – Kate Shea

Project Name: Bob Jones Trail Octagon Barn to Ontario Road Project – North and South Section

Receiving Water: San Luis Obispo Creek

City/County: San Luis Obispo / San Luis Obispo

Public Notice: April 11, 2024 – May 2, 2024

Project Description:

The purpose of the Project is to connect the existing Bob Jones Trail from Avila Beach to the City of San Luis Obispo by constructing a primarily Class I trail (off street) pedestrian / bike path for recreational and alternative transportation use for a distance of approximately 4.5 miles from the Octagon Barn south of the City of San Luis Obispo to the existing Bob Jones Trail Ontario Road Staging Area. This project includes the North and South Sections, but not the Middle Section, of the overall trail.

The proposed project activities include:

- Constructing and grading 1,020 linear feet of multipurpose Class I recreational multipurpose trail in riparian area adjacent to San Luis Obispo Creek;
- Constructing a 300-foot long by 14-foot wide prefabricated steel truss bridge with abutments above the ordinary high water mark of San Luis Obispo Creek;
- Extending two culverts, including one 19-inch diameter RCP culvert and one 8-foot by 8-foot concrete box culvert; and
- Constructing two new culverts, including one 5-foot by 2.4-foot by 18-foot long precast concrete box culvert and one 4-foot by 3-foot by 17-foot long precast concrete box culvert.

Proposed mitigation activities include:

- Permittee responsible re-establishment of 2.41 acres / 1,165 linear feet of riparian habitat.
- Permittee responsible establishment of 1.49 acres / 640 linear feet of riparian habitat.

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