

## **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

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**Project Applicant:** Caltrans District 5 – Karen Holmes

**Applicant's Agent:** Caltrans District 5 – Don Baldwin

**Project Name:** Big Creek to Carmel Drainage Restoration Project

**Receiving Water:** Pacific Ocean

**City/County:** Big Sur / Monterey County

**Public Notice:** 9/16/2025 – 10/7/2025

### **Project Description:**

The purpose of the proposed Project is to replace culverts that have exceeded design life, deteriorated, or failed.

The proposed project activities include:

- Replacing a 43-foot by 30-inch corrugated steel pipe with a new reinforced concrete pipe of the same dimensions using cut and cover method;
- Removing and replacing the existing inlet headwall with a series of drainage inlets;
- Replacing a 106-foot by 30-inch corrugated steel pipe with a multi-segment pipe of the same diameter using cut and cover method;
- Installing a new headwall and a 4.5-foot by 4.5-foot section of RSP with gravel filter;
- Replacing a 54-foot by 24-inch corrugated steel pipe with a reinforced concrete pipe of the same dimensions using cut and cover method; and
- Replacing existing headwalls at both the inlet and outlet.

No mitigation is proposed.