

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: Goleta Water District – Daniel J. Brooks

Applicant's Agent: Goleta Water District – Karina Hawkins

Project Name: Goleta Water District Blow Off Abandonment Project

Receiving Water: San Antonio Creek

City/County: Goleta / Santa Barbara County

Public Notice: 8/12/2025 – 9/2/2025

Project Description:

The purpose of the proposed project is to abandon three existing water pipeline blowoff valves which became exposed after the February 2024 storms. Damage to these blowoffs would cause loss of water reserves maintained by the Goleta Water District, interrupt water service to citizens, and cause increased environmental impact due to the volume of water that may be discharged.

The proposed project activities include:

- Excavation of native soils;
- Installation of shoring boxes for safety,
- Removal of the blowoffs from the subsurface water main;
- Backfilling excavated soil; and
- Potential water discharge into the channel to dewater water mains.

No mitigation is proposed for the project.