



Los Angeles Regional Water Quality Control Board

Ms. Tracey Brownfield Land Veritas Corp 1001 Bridgeway #246 Sausalito, CA 94965 VIA CERTIFIED MAIL RETURN RECEIPT REQESTED No. 7012 3460 0001 6366 0380

AMENDMENT OF CONDITIONAL CERTIFICATION FOR PROPOSED PETERSEN RANCH MITIGATION BANK PROJECT (Corps' Project NWP 27), UNNAMED TRIBUTARIES TO SANTA CLARA RIVER, CITY OF LEONA VALLEY, LOS ANGELES COUNTY (File No. 15-052)

Dear Ms. Brownfield:

The Los Angeles Regional Water Quality Control Board (Los Angeles Water Board) is in receipt of your notification on May 19, 2016, requesting modification of your Conditional Clean Water Act Section 401 Water Quality Certification for the subject project issued on August 19, 2015 (Certification). The Certification authorized the Petersen Ranch Mitigation Bank.

Land Veritas Corporation has requested to change the accounting of the impacts within Waters of the United States in the Certification to reflect the changes based on the final grading plans. The temporary impact acreage proposed in the original application package was based on 30-50% engineering design of the grading plan. The design of the final grading plan was based on creating a five foot buffer area around each pond for construction access and to avoid impacting certain trees. In addition, some areas were required to be modified in the plans to allow for access points during the construction process. The following table summarizes the revised acreage impacts within waters.

Table 1. Temporary Impacts (Waters of the United States)

Site	Permitted Temporary Impacts	Modified Temporary Impacts	Additional Impact Acreage
Petersen Ranch	11.70	13.121	1.421
Elizabeth Lake	0.05	0.342	0.292
Total	11.75	13.463	1.713

The Peterson Mitigation Bank is solely for restoration and no compensatory mitigation was required by the Certification and no compensatory mitigation is required by this amendment.

The Certification is modified as shown below. Deleted text is shown in strike out and addition text is shown underlined.

Attachment A, condition 13, Impacted Waters of the United States, will read:

15-052 Petersen Ranch Mitigation
Bank

16. Impacted Waters of the United States:

Federal jurisdictional wetlands: 11.75 13.463 temporary acres

I have determined that the above-proposed modifications do not constitute a significant change in the nature or scope of the activities described for the project in your original application. Therefore, all of the proposed modifications are hereby incorporated into 401 Certification No. 15-052. This determination is limited to the proposed modifications contained in your notification to this Regional Board dated May 19, 2016 and described herein, and does not eliminate the Applicant's responsibility to comply with any other applicable laws, requirements and/or permits.

Should you have questions concerning this certification action, please contact Valerie Carrillo Zara, P.G., Lead, Section 401 Program, at (213) 576-6759.

Sincerely,

Samuel Unger, P.E

Executive Officer

Attached: Distribution List

Duly 7, 2016

Date

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