
Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board

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NOTICE OF APPLICABILITY FOR COVERAGE UNDER GENERAL ORDER NO. R5-2020-0048, WASTE DISCHARGE REQUIREMENTS AND CLEAN WATER ACT SECTION 401 WATER QUALITY CERTIFICATION OF THE WESTERN PLACER COUNTY HABITAT CONSERVATION PLAN PROGRAMMATIC GENERAL PERMIT, DALBY ROAD OVER YANKEE SLOUGH BRIDGE REPLACEMENT PROJECT (WDID#5A31CR00534-048), PLACER COUNTY

On 31 March 2026, Placer County Public Works (Permittee) submitted a Notice of Intent (NOI) to enroll under and comply with Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board (Central Valley Water Board) General Order R5-2020-0048, Waste Discharge Requirements and Clean Water Act Section 401 Water Quality Certification of the Western Placer County Habitat Conservation Plan Programmatic General Permit.

The Central Valley Water Board has reviewed your enrollment materials and finds the Dalby Road over Yankee Slough Bridge Replacement Project (Project) meets the eligibility requirements of, and is hereby enrolled under, General Order R5-2020-0048. You may proceed with your Project in accordance with the Order.

A copy of General Order R5-2020-0048 can be found on the [Central Valley Water Board's Adopted Orders webpage](https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/centralvalley/board_decisions/adopted_orders/401_wq_certs/5a31cr00534.pdf) (https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/centralvalley/board_decisions/adopted_orders/401_wq_certs/5a31cr00534.pdf).

Please familiarize yourself with the requirements of General Order R5-2020-0048. You are responsible for complying with all applicable Order requirements. Failure to comply with General Order R5-2020-0048 constitutes a violation of the California Water Code and may result in enforcement action or termination of enrollment under the Order.

PROJECT DESCRIPTION:

The Project consists of replacing the existing Dalby Road Bridge (Bridge No. 19C0130) over Yankee Slough with a new single-span bridge. The project will require the demolition of the existing bridge and the construction of either a cast-in-place reinforced

concrete or a precast/prestressed concrete slab girder along the same alignment. The new bridge will be approximately 50 feet long and up to 24 feet wide.

Construction activities within Yankee Slough will include removal of the temporary timber supports. A water diversion system may be implemented during construction if water is present in Yankee Slough. The roadway approaches will be widened to align with the new bridge, which will require fill material to be placed within vernal pool and seasonal wetland features. Retaining walls may be added along the roadway approaches at the bridge to minimize the fill slopes.

The Project will temporarily impact 0.07 acre of Yankee Slough from the installation of water diversions and construction access and permanently impact 0.02 acre from the installation of the new bridge. Approximately 0.02 acre of vernal pools and 0.02 acre of seasonal wetland swale will be permanently impacted from the placement of fill material for the widening of the road approaches. Approximately 0.09 acre of vernal pools and 0.004 acre of seasonal wetland swale will be temporarily impacted from construction access.

PROJECT TYPE:

Roads, Highways and Bridges

ADDITIONAL CONDITION:

1. The Applicant shall obtain coverage under the National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) General Permit for Storm Water Discharges Associated with Construction and Land Disturbance Activities Order No. 2009-0009-DWQ, as amended for discharges to surface waters comprised of storm water associated with construction activity, including, but not limited to, demolition, clearing, grading, excavations, and other land disturbance activities of one or more acres, or where projects disturb less than one acre but are part of a larger common plan of development that in total disturbs one or more acres.
2. Yankee Slough must be dewatered prior to the commencement of construction if water is present. Please refer to section XIV.I.1 of General Order R5-2020-0048 for dewatering guidelines.

PROJECT LOCATION:

The Project is located at the Dalby Road Bridge over Yankee Slough.

Section 23, Township 13 North, Range 5 East, MDB&M

Latitude: 38.962779° N and Longitude: -121.379117° W

PROJECT SCHEDULE:

The Project is anticipated to start in the spring of 2027 and be completed by winter 2027.

PUBLIC NOTICE

The Central Valley Water Board provided public notice of the application from 22 May 2026 to 12 June 2026. The Central Valley Water Board did not receive any comments during the comment period.

COMPENSATORY MITIGATION

To mitigate for the loss of 0.02 acre of vernal pool, 0.02 acre of seasonal wetland swale, and 0.02 acre of Yankee Slough, the Permittee shall purchase a minimum of 0.62 vernal pool In-Lieu Fee (ILF) credits and 0.05 riverine ILF credits from the Western Placer County ILF Program for the impacted watershed prior to commencing construction. The Applicant shall provide evidence of purchase of In-Lieu Fee Program credits to the Central Valley Water Board prior to commencing construction. At a minimum, compensatory mitigation must achieve a ratio of 1.5:1 for permanent impacts. Compensatory mitigation must comply with the effective policy, which ensures no overall net loss of wetlands for impacts to waters of the state, at the time of Certification.

Evidence of compliance with compensatory mitigation requirements includes providing a letter from their-in-lieu fee recipient. The letter must: a) be on the in-lieu fee recipient's letterhead; b) be signed by an authorized representative of their-in-lieu fee recipient; c) indicate the United States Army Corps of Engineers' SPK number; d) describe the Project name and location; and e) detail the type of in-lieu fees paid for the Project's impacts.

APPLICATION FEE RECEIVED:

A. An application fee of \$ 8,635.00 was received on 29 May 2026. The fee amount was determined as required by California Code of Regulations, title 23, sections 3833(b)(3) and 2200(a)(3), and was calculated as A - Fill & Excavation Discharges (fee code 84) with the dredge and fill fee calculator.

B. Annual Fees: This Notice of Applicability is subject to annual billing based on the fee schedule in effect at the time of billing. Annual billing will continue until the Project, including monitoring, is complete and the Water Board receives an acceptable request for a Notice of Project Complete Letter (see Attachment D). Invoices are usually sent out at the end of each calendar year.¹

To stop annual billing, the Permittee must request a Notice of Project Complete Letter from the Water Board. Water Board staff will verify if the conditions of the Certification are met and may conduct a site visit to confirm compliance.

For more information on fees, visit the [State Water Board's Water Quality Fees website](https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/resources/fees/water_quality/) (https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/resources/fees/water_quality/), under Water Quality Certification (WQC) Program Fees.

¹ Annual invoices are issued for projects active for any amount of time in the current fiscal year (1 July – 30 June).

PROJECT SPECIFIC AVOIDANCE AND MINIMIZATION MEASURES:

The proposed Project will comply with all applicable measures identified within Master Conditions on Covered Activities Checklist, submitted with the application. The Applicant will implement the Avoidance and Minimization Measures (AMMs) and construction Best Management Practices (BMPs) outlined in the County Aquatic Resource Program (CARP) document, the Habitat Conservation Program/Natural Community Conservation Program (HCP/NCCP) document, and General Order No. 5 R5-2020-0048.

WATER QUALITY MONITORING:

A water quality monitoring plan shall be submitted to Central Valley Water Board staff for acceptance at least 30 days in advance of any discharge to the affected water body. Water quality monitoring shall be conducted in accordance with the approved plan.

PETITIONS FOR RECONSIDERATION

Any person aggrieved by this action of the Central Valley Water Board may petition the State Water Board to review the action in accordance with California Water Code section 13320 and California Code of Regulations, title 23, sections 2050 and following. The State Water Board must receive the petition by 5:00 p.m., 30 days after the date of this NOA, except that if the thirtieth day following the date of this NOA falls on a Saturday, Sunday, or state holiday, the petition must be received by the State Water Board by 5:00 p.m. on the next business day. Links to the law and regulations applicable to filing petitions may be found on the Water Quality Petitions Page (http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/public_notices/petitions/water_quality) or will be provided upon request."

If you have any questions regarding this Notice of Applicability, please contact Nicholas Savino by phone at (916) 464-4920 or by email at Nicholas.Savino@waterboards.ca.gov.

Original Signed by Anne Walters
For Patrick Pulupa
Executive Officer

Attachment: *General Order R5-2020-0048, Waste Discharge Requirements and Clean Water Act Section 401 Water Quality Certification of the Western Placer County Habitat Conservation Plan Programmatic General Permit*

Attachments: Figure 1: Project Location
Figure 2: Project Impacts

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Figure 1: Project Location

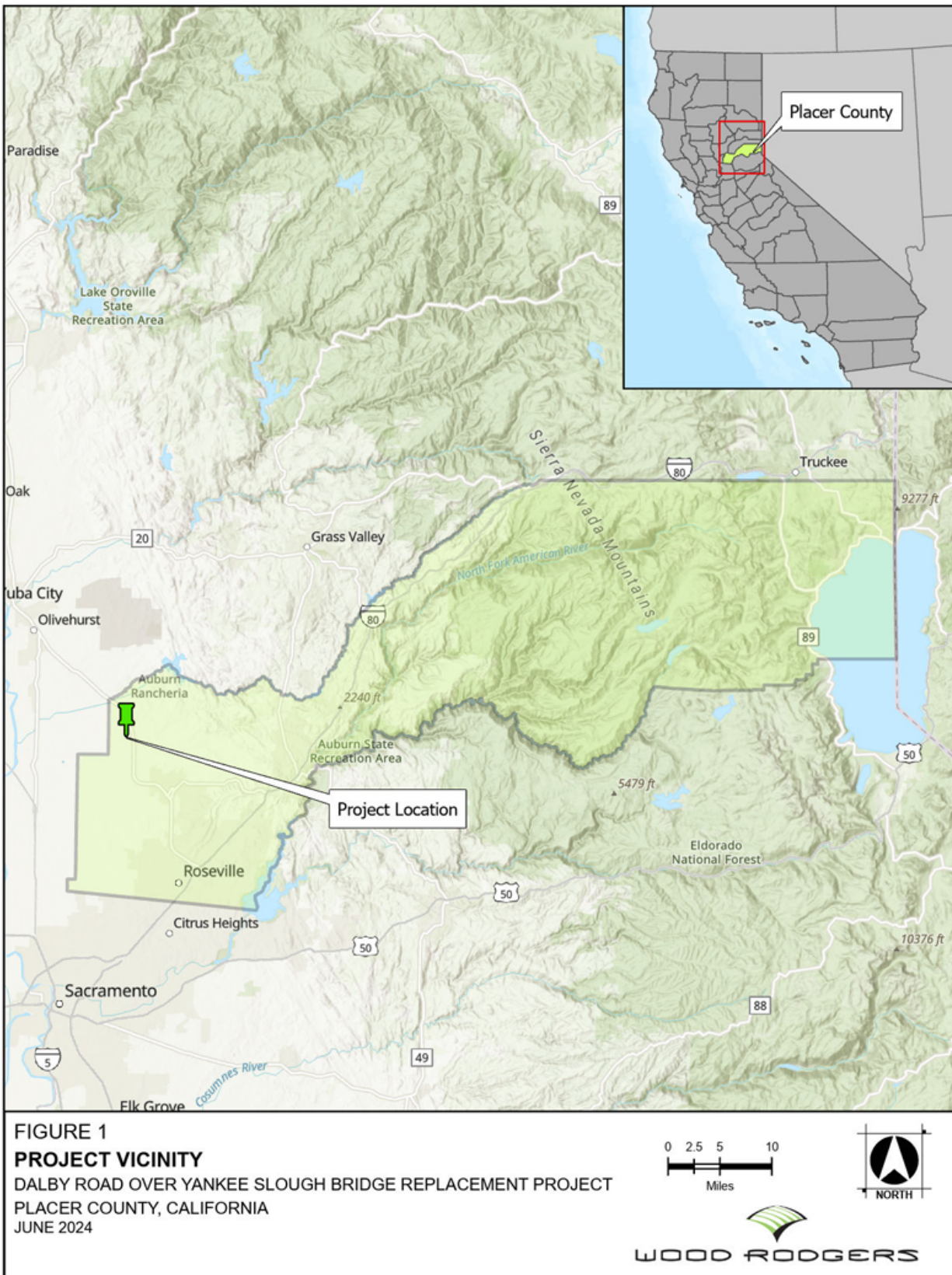


Figure 2: Project Impacts

