



Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board

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NOTICE OF APPLICABILITY: STATE WATER RESOURCES CONTROL BOARD CLEAN WATER ACT SECTION 401 GENERAL WATER QUALITY CERTIFICATION, SB18054IN, FOR REGIONAL GENERAL PERMIT 8 FOR PACIFIC GAS AND ELECTRIC COMPANY, DIXIE FIRE REPAIR AND PROTECTION ACTIVITIES – PHASE II PROJECT, PLUMAS COUNTY, WDID NO. 5A32CR00222

This letter serves to notify Pacific Gas and Electric Company (PG&E) the Dixie Fire Repair and Protection Activities – Phase II Project (Project) conducted under the Army Corps of Engineers Regional General Permit 8 (RGP 8) for repair and protection related activities on watercourse-road crossings within the Dixie Fire burn area (WDID No. 5A32CR00222) is certified under State Water Resources Control Board Clean Water Act (CWA) Section 401 General Water Quality Certification SB18054IN. This certification is for the purpose described in the Notice of Intent (NOI) and supplemental information submitted by PG&E and is limited to the nine watercourse-road crossings identified in the application materials.

EMERGENCY WORK DESCRIPTION

The Project consists of emergency repair and protection activities for nine watercourse-road crossings that require culvert upgrades and rock ford repairs within the Dixie Fire burn scar. Work consists of the repair of eight culverts and up-size of one culvert on unnamed ephemeral and intermittent watercourses. The watercourses are tributaries to various waterbodies, which include North Fork Feather River, Butt Valley Reservoir, Clear Creek and Lake Almanor. PG&E uses this road network to access transmission lines and watercourse crossing improvements are needed so PG&E can safely conduct inspections, repairs, and maintenance of the facilities.

Table 1: Total Project Fill/Excavation Quantity for Temporary Impacts¹

Aquatic Resources Type	Acres	Cubic Yards	Linear Feet
Stream Channel	0.12	0	210

Table 2: Total Project Fill/Excavation Quantity for Permanent Physical Loss of Area Impacts

Aquatic Resources Type	Acres	Cubic Yards	Linear Feet
Stream Channel	0.10	248	137

FINDING OF APPLICABILITY

This letter serves as formal notice that CWA Certification SB18054IN is applicable to this project. Your waste discharge identification (WDID) number is 5A32CR00222.

REPORTING

A Notice of Completion (NOC) shall be submitted by the applicant no later than 45 days after the emergency work has been completed. The NOC shall demonstrate that the work has been carried out in accordance with the description provided in the applicant's Notice of Intent (NOI).

Failure to comply with the terms and conditions of this Certification may expose PG&E to enforcement action pursuant to the Clean Water Act and California Water Code.

If you have any questions please contact Lynn Coster at (530) 224-2437 or via email at <u>Lynn.Coster@waterboards.ca.gov</u>.

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Executive Officer

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¹ Includes only temporary direct impacts to waters of the state and does not include area of temporary disturbance which could result in a discharge to waters of the state. Temporary impacts, by definition, are restored to pre-project conditions and therefore do not include a physical loss of area or degradation of ecological condition.