



# Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board

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NOTICE OF APPLICABILITY; GENERAL SECTION 401 WATER QUALITY CERTIFICATION ORDER REQUIREMENTS FOR THE SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA EDISON, SCE PORTERVILLE INDIAN RESERVATION DRIVE EMERGENCY ANCHOR REPLACEMENT 4869402E PROJECT (WDID# 5C54CR00136), TULARE COUNTY

On 9 June 2023, Southern California Edison (SCE or Applicant) filed a notification requesting coverage under the 9 October 2018 State Water Resources Control Board Clean Water Act Section 401 General Water Quality Certification of the United States Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) Regional General Permit 8 (General Certification Order) for the SCE Porterville Emergency Anchor Replacement 4869402E Project (SCE Anchor Replacement or Project). After review of the notification and the supplemental material submitted by the Applicant, the Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board (Central Valley Water Board) has determined that the Project qualifies for enrollment under this General Certification Order. The proposed activity is taking place within 0.0001 acres/2 linear feet of waters of the United States.

The Central Valley Water Board is certifying this Project under United States Army Corps of Engineers Regional General Permit 8, Emergency Repair and Protection Activities, subject to the conditions and the notification requirements described in the Nationwide Permit ("Special Conditions"). This Notice of Applicability is being issued under the General Certification Order pursuant to Section 3838 of the California Code of Regulations.

A copy of the General Certification Order

(https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/water\_issues/programs/cwa401/docs/generalorders/rg p8\_cert.pdf) can be found on the State Water Resources Control Board's General Orders webpage.

The Project must be conducted in accordance with the requirements contained in this Notice of Applicability and General Certification Order. The Project is described in the notification form requesting coverage under the General Certification Order, dated 9 June 2023, and supplementary information (Application Package). Coverage under

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the General Certification Order is no longer valid if the Project (as described) is modified.

# PROJECT DESCRIPTION:

Due to storm-related flooding, the occurrence of a wash-out of the plate anchor supporting Pole 4869402E destabilized the pole and created significant and imminent threat to public safety and essential public services. The proposed work is to replace the plate anchor to return the pole to a stable condition.

Emergency repairs include replacement of the anchor using hand tools and a jackhammer within a 2 feet x 2 feet x 8 feet excavation. The emergency anchor replacement will occur along the bank of Tule River and may result in 0.0001 acre and two (2) linear feet of permanent impacts to Waters of the U.S./Waters of the State. This will include up to 1.2 cubic yards of estimated cut/fill to excavate the hole, install the anchor, and backfill the excavation. In support of the emergency repairs, SCE will monitor, and document all work within waters. All actualized repairs and impacts will be provided within post construction monitoring and impact reporting.

The Project will permanently impact 0.0001 acres/2 linear feet of waters of the United States.

### **PROJECT LOCATION:**

The Project is located at 32999 Indian Reservation Drive, Porterville, CA 91770.

Section 11, Township 22 South, Range 29 East, MDB&M

Latitude: 36.02117 and Longitude: -118.82028

#### **PROJECT SCHEDULE:**

The Project started construction on 13 June 2023 and will continue until completed.

# **APPLICATION FEE RECEIVED:**

An application fee of \$2,734.00 was received on 13 June 2023. 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 category F - Emergency Projects authorized by a Water Board General Order (fee code 85) with the dredge and fill fee calculator.

If you have any questions regarding this Notice of Applicability, please contact Ernesto Garcia at (559) 445-6281 or at Ernesto.Garcia@waterboards.ca.gov.

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