

Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board

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NOTICE OF APPLICABILITY

**WAIVER OF REPORTS OF WASTE DISCHARGE AND WASTE DISCHARGE
REQUIREMENTS FOR SPECIFIC TYPES OF DISCHARGE
WITHIN THE CENTRAL VALLEY REGION,
PACIFIC GAS & ELECTRIC COMPANY,
NATURAL GAS PIPELINE INSPECTION PROJECT D-386,
SAN JOAQUIN COUNTY**

On 24 June 2016, Pacific Gas & Electric Company (PG&E) submitted a Notice of Intent (NOI) to obtain coverage under the *Waiver of Reports of Waste Discharge and Waste Discharge Requirements for Specific Types of Discharge within the Central Valley Region, Order R5-2013-0145* (the Waiver). The submittal contains all the information required to evaluate the applicability of the Waiver; therefore, the NOI is considered complete and the discharge meets the conditions of the Waiver. The discharge is hereby covered under the Waiver Order R5-2013-0145-0055. Please include this number on all correspondence related to this discharge.

PROJECT LOCATION AND DESCRIPTION

PG&E is planning on inspecting portions of an underground pipeline for corrosion issues. The project is located on an island in the delta near the intersection of Bacon Island Road and West Lower Jones Road, Stockton in San Joaquin County.

The pipeline will be inspected by excavating a 10 foot by 10 foot section to 8 feet below ground surface (bgs). Groundwater is expected at less than 20 feet bgs. The pipeline will be inspected and will be repaired or replaced as necessary. Pipeline excavation is anticipated to require dewatering approximately 20,000 gallons to 70,000 per day of groundwater, depending on the need for repairs and the duration of the project. Adverse impacts to groundwater are not expected to be encountered during this excavation project. The groundwater will be applied to 50 acres of agricultural property located adjacent to the project location on San Joaquin County Assessor's Parcel Number (APN) 129-170-13 with the property owner's permission. Staging of the water trucks and water transfer will occur on the same parcel.

The project is scheduled to start the first week of August and will continue for approximately 5 to 6 weeks. Upon completion of the pipeline inspection and potential repairs, all excavated sections will be backfilled.

The Water Quality Control Plan for the Sacramento River and San Joaquin River Basins, Fourth Edition, revised October 2011 (hereafter Basin Plan), designates beneficial uses, establishes water quality objectives, contains implementation plans and policies for protecting waters of the basin, and incorporates by reference plans and policies adopted by the State Water Resources Control Board. Pursuant to §13263(a) of the California Water Code (CWC), waste discharge requirements must implement the Basin Plan.

FACILITY-SPECIFIC REQUIREMENTS

Please review the attached waiver documents and ensure that the discharge complies with the Conditions of Discharge contained in Attachment A. PG&E is responsible for compliance with the waiver and must provide sufficient contractor oversight to ensure compliance and prompt reporting of any noncompliance.

DOCUMENT SUBMITTALS

All monitoring reports and other correspondence should be converted to searchable Portable Document Format (PDF) and submitted electronically. Documents that are less than 50 MB should be emailed to:

centralvalleysacramento@waterboards.ca.gov.


To ensure that your submittal is routed to the appropriate staff person, the following information must be included in the body of the email or any documentation submitted to the mailing address for this office:

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| Facility Name: PG&E Natural Gas Pipeline Inspection Project D-386, San Joaquin County | | |
| Program: Non-15 Compliance | Order: R5-2013-0145-0055 | CIWQS Place ID: 825804 |

Documents that are 50 MB or larger must be transferred to a CD, DVD, or flash drive and mailed to:

Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board
ECM Mailroom
11020 Sun Center Drive, Suite 200
Rancho Cordova, CA 95670

Now that the NOA has been issued, the Board's Compliance and Enforcement section will take over management of your case. Brendan Kenny is your new point of contact for any questions about the Waiver. If you find it necessary to make a change to your permitted operations, Brendan will direct you to the appropriate Permitting staff. You may contact Brendan at (916) 464-4635 or at bkenny@waterboards.ca.gov.

 For
PAMELA C. CREEDON
Executive Officer

Enclosures: Waiver Order No. R5-2013-0145

cc w/o: Rodney Estrada, San Joaquin County Environmental Health Department,
Stockton