

Attachment C
California Regional Water Quality Control Board
Lahontan Region

Category 4 Application Form and Monitoring and Reporting Program

For Water Board staff use only;

WDID # _____

Date of Receipt: _____

Lead Water Board
Staff: _____

**Conditional Waiver of Waste Discharge Requirements
for Timber Harvest and Vegetation Management Activities**
All requested information is required - Please type or print clearly in ink

1. Activity Name:

CAL FIRE Plan Number: (If regulated by CAL FIRE, enter the number of the plan or exemption/emergency notice assigned to the activity if available. If a CAL FIRE number is not available, but the activity will proceed under an exemption or emergency, please state "CAL FIRE Exemption" or "CAL FIRE Emergency" in this box.)

County:

2. Landowner's Contact Information: (If there is more than one landowner, list their contact information in an addendum to this form.)

Name of individual, company, or agency:		
Company or agency contact:		
Address:		
City:	State:	Zip Code:
Phone/Fax:	E-mail address:	

3. Name and Phone Number of Contact Person(s): (List the primary person(s) supervising/implementing on-site operations.)

Name:	Phone/Fax/E-Mail:
Name:	Phone/Fax/E-Mail:

If information requested in this form is included in existing documents or plans those documents may be used to substitute for information specifically requested in this form. These documents must be submitted to the Water Board and specifically referenced (by page number) within this application.

4. Summary of Activity Information:

Total Activity Area Size (in acres):	Silvicultural prescription(s) or activity purpose:
Project Location (narrative description, e.g., township/range/section; Universal Transverse Mercator (UTM) geographic coordinates; nearby landmarks, highways, etc.):	

Indicate type of yarding system(s) and equipment proposed for use (if any):

<u>Ground Based:</u>	<u>Cable:</u>	<u>Special:</u>
☐ Tractor, including end/long lining	☐ Cable, ground lead	☐ Hand crew
☐ Rubber tired skidder, Forwarder	☐ Cable, high lead	☐ Masticator
☐ Feller buncher	☐ Cable, skyline	☐ Chipper
		☐ Other: _____

Indicate project characteristics:

	<u>Roads and Landings:</u>	<u>Soils and Slopes:</u>
☐ Clearcut acres _____ (enter amount)	☐ Roads Reconstructed	☐ EHR Low
☐ SEZ/WBBZ Operations	☐ Roads in SEZ/WBBZ	☐ EHR Mod
☐ Herbicide Use	☐ Landings Constructed	☐ EHR High
☐ Winter Ops	☐ Landings Reconstructed	☐ EHR Extreme
☐ Broadcast Burn		☐ Unstable Areas
☐ Pile Burn		☐ Slopes >65%
☐ Site Prep		☐ Slopes >50% w/ Ground Ops

5. Waterbody Classification: What types of waterbodies exist within the activity area?

(Information on waterbody classification is provided in Attachment B.) Check all that apply:

☐ Class I	☐ Class II	☐ Class III
☐ Class IV	☐ Unclassified	☐ None within activity area
Nearest Class I watercourse name(s):		
Calwater watershed name(s), if known:		

6. Environmental Conditions: Provide a narrative description of the existing watershed conditions including vegetation communities, forest stand density, geologic setting, wetland and riparian areas if present, and surface water and groundwater conditions.

(attach additional pages if necessary)

7. Specific Activity Information:

Yes*	No	Do existing roads and landings proposed for use exhibit signs of erosion or instability, including rills, gullies, or tension cracking?
*If you answered yes to the above question, answer the following:		
	Yes No	Could this erosion or instability result in sediment delivery to a waterbody? If yes, describe mitigation measures that will be implemented to stop the delivery of sediment to waterbodies, or drainage structures that drain to waterbodies:
(attach additional pages if necessary)		
Yes	No	Do the activities include the repair or reconstruction of watercourse crossings? If yes, briefly explain what work is planned and where:
Yes	No	Do the activities include the repair or reconstruction of roads? If yes, briefly explain what work is planned and where:
Yes	No	Are equipment operations within the winter period anticipated?

Yes	No	Do the proposed timber harvest and vegetation management activities include prescribed fire? If yes, describe.
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8. Timber Harvest and Vegetation Management Activities within SEZs/WBBZs:

Describe what activities (e.g., timber removal, operation of equipment, chipping, prescribed fire) are planned within SEZs/WBBZs:

(attach additional pages if necessary)

9. Do you anticipate the need to apply pesticides (as defined in Attachment A) to the activity area?

Yes No
or
Unknown

If yes, please notify the Water Board staff in an addendum to this form, or in a separate notice, at least 30 days prior to the proposed application. See Condition 16 of the Timber Waiver on page 19.

10. Map of Activity Area: To complete your application, include a USGS 7.5 minute topographic (or equivalent or greater scale) map that clearly indicates all of the information listed below. Map(s) that have been created as part of a CEQA, or other planning document, may substitute for creating an individual map for this application provided they meet the above scale requirements and include all of the information listed below. If any of the required elements are not provided please include an explanation in the box below.

- a. The activity area boundary.
- b. The relative location of the activity to a nearby city, town, or landmark.
- c. Location of private and public roads to be used within the activity area. Include the location of private and public roads that will be used to access the activity areas from a paved county, state, municipal, or federal road. Label the name or number of each road and indicate if such roads are under the ownership or control of the land owner or manager. (The appurtenant roads may be shown on a separate map which may be planimetric with a smaller scale.)
- d. Location of proposed timber harvest and vegetation management activities (including skid trails) within SEZs/WBBZs.
- e. Identify areas for possible landing construction.
- f. Location of all existing watercourse crossings.
- g. Approximate location of dry Class III watercourse crossings.
- h. Location of proposed temporary over-snow skid trail watercourse crossings (if known).
- i. Location, classification, and name (if applicable) of all waterbodies within the activity area.

(Information on waterbody classification is provided in Attachment B.) Complete the following if the activity area does not include a waterbody:

Name of nearest downstream waterbody:
Classification:
Distance from activity boundary:
Where is the downstream waterbody located relative to the activity area? (e.g., southwest, etc.)

Explain why the requirements above are not provided:

(attach additional pages if necessary)

11. Request for modified monitoring and reporting program: Subject to approval by the Executive Officer, you may request to modify, reduce, or remove monitoring and/or reporting conditions for your activity. Your request must include a description of what you are proposing and why it is warranted for your activity.

You are required to monitor and report according to the standard conditions and forms of this Timber Waiver until you receive approval for your modified plan by the Executive Officer.

If requesting modified monitoring and reporting, provide description and justification here or in an addendum.

For Water Board staff use only:
Executive Officer Approval with signature:

(To be scanned and e-mailed back to applicant)

12. Certification:

I, the Landowner, agent thereof, or Land Manager, hereby certify under penalty of perjury that this application and all submittals to the Water Board accurately represent site conditions. I hereby agree to meet the conditions and eligibility criteria of Category 4 of the Conditional Waiver of Waste Discharge Requirements for Discharges Resulting from Timber Harvest and Vegetation Management Activities in the Lahontan Region (Timber Waiver), Resolution R6T-2014-00XX.

Signature:	Date:
Printed Name & Title:	
Phone/Fax/E-Mail:	

Monitoring and Reporting Program

Pursuant to Water Code section 13267, visual monitoring and semi-annual reporting are required for all activities that proceed under Category 4 of the Timber Waiver.

Implementation Monitoring:

Fall Implementation Monitoring: Review Attachment D for monitoring required before the winter period of each year. This monitoring must be reported to the Water Board by **January 15**. A “final compliance report” or “work completion report” inspection, conducted by the California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection (CAL FIRE) prior to the winter period and after cessation of active harvesting and road construction, may be substituted for fall implementation monitoring if the inspection covers the entire plan area and the report is submitted to the Water Board by January 15.

Daily Winter-Period Monitoring: Review Attachment E for daily monitoring required if tractor, vehicle, or equipment operations occur in the winter period (as defined in Attachment A). This monitoring must be reported to the Water Board by **July 15**.

Winter Implementation Monitoring: Review Attachment H for monitoring required at the conclusion of winter operations each year. This monitoring must be reported to the Water Board by **July 15**.

Photo-Point Monitoring:

Photo-point monitoring is required if **any** of the following conditions exist within the plan or if Water Board staff specifically requests photo-point monitoring for particular areas of your plan (e.g., during application review, agency consultation, or site visit). Please submit Attachment L with your application if you check either or both of the following boxes:

- ☐ Reconstruction of a bridge crossing over a watercourse
- ☐ Reconstruction of a watercourse crossing using a culvert that is 24 inches or greater in diameter