A request for a water quality certification (certification) for the Phoenix Hydroelectric Project (Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) Project No. 1061 (Project), was filed with the State Water Resources Control Board (State Water Board). Certifications are issued under section 401 of the Clean Water Act. California Code of Regulations, title 23, section 3858 requires the Executive Director of the State Water Board to provide public notice of an application for certification at least twenty-one (21) days before taking certification action on the application. The typical notice period may be shortened in an emergency.

Written questions and/or comments regarding the application should be directed to Eric Bradbury:

By email:

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RECEIVED:  August 26, 2021
PROJECT:  Phoenix Hydroelectric Project
APPLICANT:  Pacific Gas and Electric Company
CONTACT:  Susan Kester
COUNTIES:  Tuolumne
PUBLIC NOTICE:  March 11, 2022
PROJECT STATUS:  Pending

PROJECT DESCRIPTION:  On August 24, 2020, Pacific Gas and Electric Company (PG&E) filed with the FERC a Final Application for New License (FLA) for the Project (FERC License No. 1061). On August 26, 2021, PG&E submitted a request for water quality certification associated with its pending FLA. The Project is located in the foothills of the western slope of the Sierra Nevada in Tuolumne County, California. PG&E is not currently proposing to add capacity or make any major modifications to the Project or its operations.