

**PUBLIC NOTICE FOR
CLEAN WATER ACT 401 WATER QUALITY CERTIFICATION
BEFORE THE DIVISION OF WATER RIGHTS**

An application for the following project was filed with the State Water Resources Control Board, Division of Water Rights for a Water Quality Certification 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 at least twenty-one (21) days before taking certification action on the application. Written questions regarding the application should be directed to:

WQ Certification Unit
Division of Water Rights
P.O. Box 2000
Sacramento, CA 95812-2000

RECEIVED: December 23, 2008
PROJECT: Poe Hydroelectric Project (FERC No. 2107)
APPLICANT: Pacific Gas and Electric Company
AGENT: Not Applicable
COUNTY: Butte County
RECEIVING WATER: North Fork Feather River
PUBLIC NOTICE: July 14, 2009
PROJECT STATUS: Pending Certification Action

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: The Poe Hydroelectric Project consists of facilities on the North Fork Feather River that include the Poe Dam, a powerhouse, and a bypassed stream reach. In accordance with the Federal Power Act, Pacific Gas and Electric (PG&E) submitted an application to relicense the Poe Project with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission in December 2003. Prior to the issuance of a new license, PG&E must obtain a Clean Water Act (CWA) section 401 water quality certification that the project will be in compliance with the specified provisions of the CWA (33 U.S.C. § 1341 et seq.), including State water quality standards as contained in the applicable water quality control plan. Issuance of a water quality certification is subject to the California Environmental Quality Act.