

**PUBLIC NOTICE FOR
CLEAN WATER ACT 401 WATER QUALITY CERTIFICATION
BEFORE THE STATE WATER RESOURCES CONTROL BOARD**

An application for water quality certification under section 401 of the Clean Water Act for the following project was filed with the State Water Resources Control Board (State Water Board). 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 and/or comments regarding the application should be directed to:

Ms. Michelle Lobo
Water Quality Certification Program
Division of Water Rights
State Water Resources Control Board
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RECEIVED: May 20, 2014
PROJECT: Lassen Lodge Hydroelectric Project
Federal Energy Regulatory Commission Project No. 12496
APPLICANT: Rugraw, LLC
CONTACT: Charlie Kuffner
COUNTY: Tehama
PUBLIC NOTICE: July 2, 2014
PROJECT STATUS: Pending

PROJECT DESCRIPTION:

Rugraw, LLC proposes to construct the Lassen Lodge Hydroelectric Project (Project), Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) Project No. 12496. The proposed Project will have a nameplate capacity of 5 megawatts. The purpose of the proposed Project is to generate electricity through hydropower. Rugraw, LLC filed with FERC a final license application on April 21, 2014, for a major original license.

The proposed Project will be located on the upper South Fork Battle Creek on the western slopes of the Cascade Range. The proposed Project will be approximately 1.5 miles west of the town of Mineral, an unincorporated community in Tehama County. Most of the proposed Project elements will be located on the south side of South Fork Battle Creek.

The proposed Project elements include: diversion dam, intake structure, control/fish screen structure, pipeline and penstock, transition structure, powerhouse, substation, station service line, transmission line, switchyard, and multipurpose areas. Power generated from the proposed Project will be transmitted by a new, approximately 12-mile-long, 60 kilovolt transmission line. The transmission line will interconnect with the Pacific Gas and Electric Volta-South Transmission Line in the town of Manton.