

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

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), Division of Water Rights (Division). California Code of Regulations, title 23, section 3858 requires the Executive Officer 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:

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

RECEIVED: August 18, 2009
PROJECT: Kilarc-Cow Creek Hydroelectric Project, Federal Energy
Regulatory Commission Project No. 606
APPLICANT: Pacific Gas and Electric Company
COUNTY: Shasta
RECEIVING WATER: Kilarc-Cow
PUBLIC NOTICE: September 15, 2009
PROJECT STATUS: Pending Certification Action

PROJECT DESCRIPTION:

The Pacific Gas and Electric Company (PG&E) has proposed to decommission the Kilarc-Cow Creek Hydroelectric Project (Project), Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) Project No. 606. The decommissioning process for this Project is described in the License Surrender Application that PG&E sent to FERC on March 12, 2009. PG&E intends to remove all Project features, including canals, forebays, and instream diversion dams. After the Project features are removed, PG&E intends to restore the portions of Kilarc and Cow Creeks that were affected by the Project to maximize fish passage and spawning opportunities, provide streambed stability, and restore riparian vegetation.