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:

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RECEIVED:   March 3, 2014
PROJECT:    Water Supply Project Turbidity Amendment
APPLICANT:  Lewiston Community Services District
CONTACT:    Joe Riess
COUNTY:    Trinity
PUBLIC NOTICE:   March 11, 2014
PROJECT STATUS:  Pending

PROJECT DESCRIPTION:

On December 20, 2013, the State Water Board issued a water quality certification for the Lewiston Community Services District’s Water Supply Project (Project). Condition 4 of this water quality certification outlined the turbidity thresholds that must be met during Project construction. Shortly after the issuance of this water quality certification, State Water Board staff was contacted by the Project Applicant regarding its ability to meet the constraints of Condition 4 due to low background turbidity levels in the Trinity River. The Project Applicant requested that Condition 4 be replaced with a term similar to what was required for the Trinity River Restoration Program. This proposed water quality certification amendment would allow higher turbidity levels within the specified zones of dilution for a short duration during construction activities.