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:

Water Quality Certification Program  
Division of Water Rights  
Attn: Peter Barnes  
State Water Resources Control Board  
P.O. Box 2000  
Sacramento, CA 95812-2000

RECEIVED: September 16, 2013  
PROJECT: Water Supply Project  
APPLICANT: Lewiston Community Services District  
CONTACT: Joe Riess  
COUNTY: Trinity  
PUBLIC NOTICE: October 9, 2013  
PROJECT STATUS: Pending

PROJECT DESCRIPTION:

In order to meet the federal arsenic maximum contaminant levels (MCL), the Lewiston Community Services District (LCSD) proposes to relocate its infiltration gallery to a location on Lewiston Community Services District property approximately 2,800 feet downstream of the existing intake in Lewiston, California. The LCSD system serves 40 connections, including a 22-space trailer park and a hotel/restaurant. The total service area includes 150 people, roughly equal to 60 single family dwelling equivalents (at 2.5 persons/single family dwelling). All connections are currently metered. The LCSD is experiencing challenges meeting the federal arsenic MCL of 10 parts per billion (ppb) in its drinking water. The existing infiltration gallery that draws water from the Trinity River is affected by runoff from Deadwood Creek, a tributary immediately upstream of the existing infiltration gallery. Deadwood Creek is known to contain elevated arsenic levels, and recent water quality sampling by the California Department of Public Health (CDPH) shows concentrations as high as 83 ppb.

The proposed infiltration gallery would be constructed in a large gravel bar built in August 2008 as part of the U.S. Bureau of Reclamation’s Trinity River Restoration Program. Water would be piped from the infiltration gallery to a new raw water pump station and, from there, into a 2,675-foot long raw water pipeline that leads to LCSD’s existing water treatment plant (WTP). There would be no modifications to the existing WTP.

The LCSD has been awarded grant funding under Proposition 84 (The Safe Drinking Water, Water Quality and Supply, Flood Control, River and Coastal Protection Bond Act of 2006) to construct the proposed project.