

SECTION 401 WATER QUALITY CERTIFICATION PUBLIC NOTICE

The Central Coast Water Board is currently reviewing a Clean Water Act section 401 Water Quality Certification application for the project described below. We encourage public comments on the proposed project and will take comments into consideration when taking action on the application. You may submit written comments on this project to:

Central Coast Regional Water Quality Control Board

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San Luis Obispo, CA 93401

Attention: 401 Coordinator

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Project Applicant: California Department of Transportation - Karen Holmes

Applicant's Agent: California Department of Transportation – Sarah Sandstrom

Project Name: Toro Creek Southbound Bridge Replacement Project

Receiving Water: Chorro Creek

City/County: Unincorporated / San Luis Obispo

Public Notice: January 14, 2025 – February 4, 2025

Project Description:

The purpose of the proposed Project is to address the poor health of the southbound Toro Creek Bridge and upgrade nonstandard bridge railings, nonstandard geometric features, and associated roadway approaches.

The proposed project activities include:

- Demolishing the existing 116-foot 4-span Southbound Toro Creek bridge;
- Constructing a new 3-span 141-foot-long bridge with associated concrete abutments and wing walls;
- Widening the outside road shoulder to 10 feet and upgrading the bridge railings;
- Replacing embankment and creek bank slope stabilization;
- Removing and replacing existing rock slope protection (RSP) with Class VII RSP;
- Replacing two existing 12-inch corrugated metal pipes in-kind; and
- Diverting Toro Creek if water is present within the creek during construction.

No mitigation is proposed.