Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board

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NOTICE OF APPLICABILITY; GENERAL SECTION 401 WATER QUALITY CERTIFICATION ORDER REQUIREMENTS FOR THE UNITED STATES ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS 2026 NATIONWIDE PERMITS THE PACIFIC GAS & ELECTRIC COMPANY, DRUM CANAL PITTMAN FLUME INVESTIGATION PROJECT (WDID# 5A31CR00618), PLACER COUNTY

On 28 May 2025, Pacific Gas & Electric Co. (Applicant) filed a notification requesting coverage under the 15 March 2026 State Water Resources Control Board Clean Water Act Section 401 General Water Quality Certification and Order of the United States Army Corps of Engineers 2026 Nationwide Permits Order No. WQ 2025-0066-DWQ (General Certification Order) for the Drum Canal Pittman Flume Investigation Project (Project). After review of the notification and the supplemental material submitted by the Applicant, the Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board (Central Valley Water Board) has determined that the Project qualifies for enrollment under this General Certification Order. The proposed activity will take place within 0.004 acre/30 linear feet of waters of the United States.

The Central Valley Water Board is certifying this Project under United States Army Corps of Engineers Nationwide Permit #6 (Survey Activities), subject to the conditions and the notification requirements described in the Nationwide Permit ("Special Conditions"). This Notice of Applicability is being issued under the General Certification Order pursuant to Section 3838 of the California Code of Regulations.

A copy of the General Certification Order (https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/water_issues/programs/cwa401/docs/2026/nwp2026-general-order.pdf) can be found on the State Water Resources Control Board's General Order webpage and is enclosed.

The Project must proceed in accordance with the requirements contained in this Notice of Applicability and General Certification Order. The Project is described in the notification form requesting coverage under the General Certification Order, dated 28 May 2025, and supplementary information (Application Package). Coverage under

the General Certification Order is no longer valid if the Project (as described) is modified.

PROJECT DESCRIPTION:
The 0.0367-acre Drum Canal Pittman Flume Investigation Project (Project) consists of subsurface exploration for the Pittman Flume Improvements project. The Pittman Flume Improvements project will comprise Preliminary Engineering (Phase 1) and Detailed Engineering Design (Phase 2).

Phase 1 consists of performing a geotechnical investigation to evaluate foundation materials and verifying footing elevations to evaluate the foundation material beneath the flume and determine whether foundation modifications and/or replacements are necessary prior to designing structural improvements to refurbish the superstructure of the flume.

Phase 2 will include detailed engineering design for structural improvements to Pittman Flume. This notification is only related to Phase 1 of the project. The scope of work includes temporary water diversion of Pittman Creek (if needed), constructing temporary access (clearing, excavation and fill placement), temporarily removing bracing for a drill rig to enter Pittman Creek below the flume, geotechnical drilling and sampling of subsurface materials, handling of drilling fluid and cuttings, grouting of boreholes, and site restoration.

The Project will temporarily impact 0.004 acre/30 linear feet of waters of the United States.

PROJECT LOCATION:
Emigrant Gap, 95717, Placer County, 103-31-025B-3

Latitude: 39°16'4.22" and Longitude: - 120°43'41.15"

PROJECT SCHEDULE:
14 September 2026 through 30 September 2026

APPLICATION FEE RECEIVED:
An application fee of $4,212.00 was received on 28 May 2025. The fee amount was determined as required by California Code of Regulations, title 23, sections 3833(b)(3) and 2200(a)(3), and was calculated as category E - Low Impact Discharges (fee code 87) with the dredge and fill fee calculator.

If you have any questions regarding this Notice of Applicability, please contact Sara Gevorgyan by phone at (916) 464-4710 or by email at Sara.Gevorgyan@waterboards.ca.gov.

Original Signed by Anne Walters
For Patrick Pulupa
Executive Officer

Enclosure: State Water Board 2026 Nationwide Permits General Order (Order No. WQ 2025-0066-DWQ)

Attachments: Figure 1: Location Map
Figure 2: Site Map

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Figure 1: Location Map

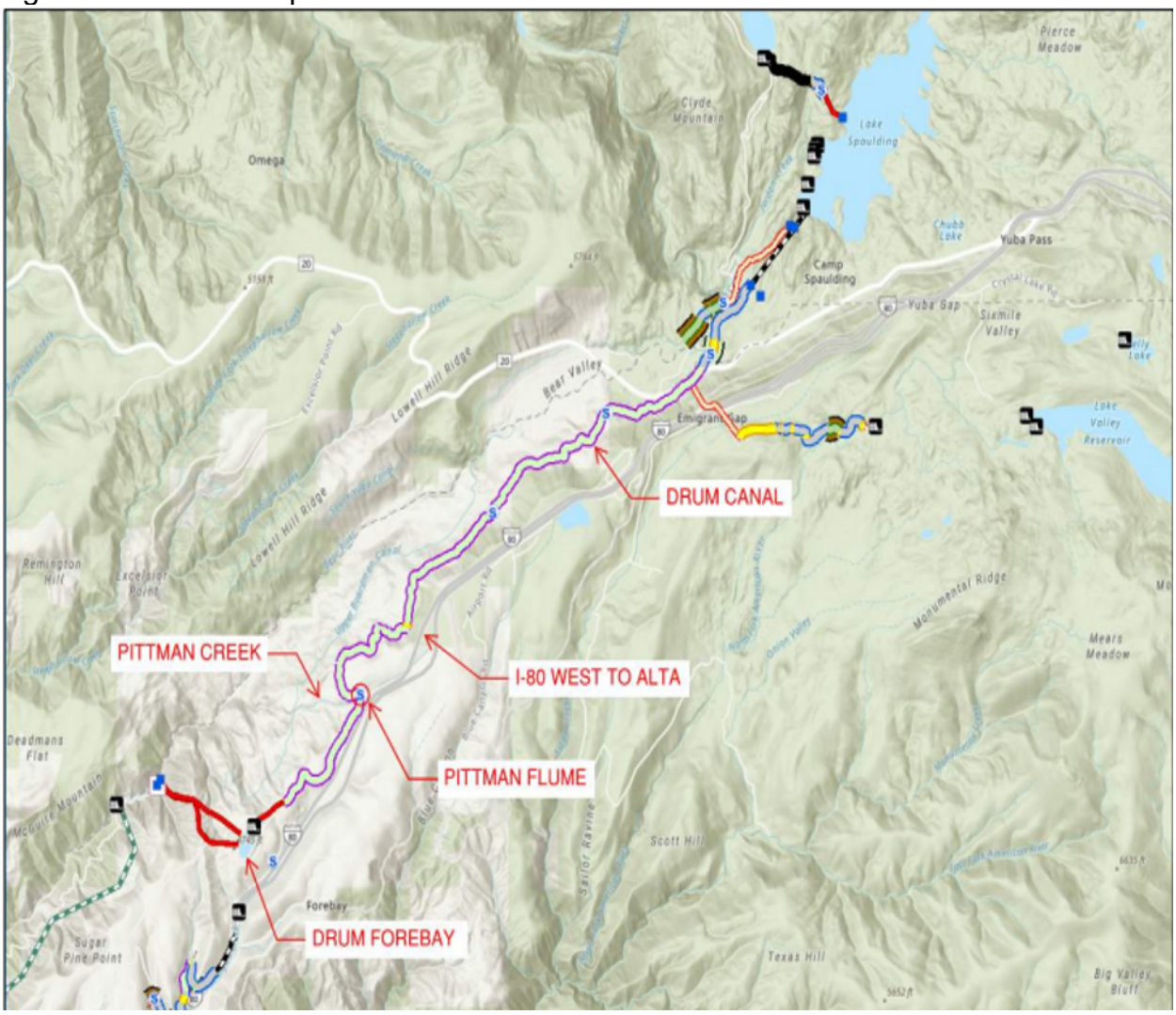


Figure 2: Site Map

