



Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board

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NOTICE OF APPLICABILITY: STATE WATER RESOURCES CONTROL BOARD AMENDED ORDER FOR CLEAN WATER ACT SECTION 401 GENERAL WATER QUALITY CERTIFICATION FOR SMALL HABITAT RESTORATION PROJECTS FILE NO. SB12006GN FOR AT&T CORPORATION, AT&T LIGHTGUIDE FIBER OPTIC CABLE REPAIR PHASE 2 PROJECT, TEHAMA COUNTY, WDID NO. 5A52CR00200

On 3 March 2020, AT&T Corporation (Applicant) filed a Notice of Intent (NOI) requesting coverage under the 27 March 2013 State Water Resources Control Board Amended Order for Clean Water Act Section 401 General Water Quality Certification for Small Habitat Restoration Projects File No. SB12006GN (General Certification Order) for the AT&T LightGuide Fiber Optic Cable Repair Phase 2 Project (Project). After review of the NOI 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 the General Certification Order.

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 is enclosed. The General Certification Order may also be accessed on the [State Water Resources Control Board's Clean Water Act Section 401 – Certification and Wetlands Program Web Page](http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/water_issues/programs/cwa401/generalorders_wb.shtml) (http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/water_issues/programs/cwa401/generalorders_wb.shtml)

The Project must proceed in accordance with the requirements contained in this Notice of Applicability and General Certification Order. Coverage under the General Certification Order is no longer valid if the Project, as described, is modified.

PROJECT DESCRIPTION

The Project is to restore the streambed for unobstructed fish passage and stream flow by removing concrete encasements, steel casing, and pieces of the nonactive, fiber

optic cable (FOC) that were exposed due to erosion and were temporarily left in place after the FOC and conduit were replaced as part of Phase 1.

The proposed Project site includes two discrete areas: an approximately 0.12-acre staging area and lift/drop zone along a private easement south of the creek, and a designated 1.45-acre Project area within which debris will be removed.

Description of Direct Impacts to Waters of the State

Large pieces of concrete encasements will be reduced in size using hand tools (digging bars and jack hammer) and loaded onto lifting slings by personnel entering the streambed by foot. A gas-powered generator will be used to power electric jackhammers and air compressor/air hammers to be used by hand crews to break concrete debris into pieces to meet maximum lifting restrictions for the helicopter. Digging bars or hand shovels may be used by crews to uncover concrete debris buried in the riverbed. Concrete debris will then be removed by helicopter and transported to staging area. No large equipment will be used within the bed or bank of the creek.

Total Project fill/excavation quantities for all impacts are summarized in Table 1.

Table 1: Total Project Fill/Excavation Quantity for Temporary Impacts

Aquatic Resources Type	Acres	Cubic Yards	Linear Feet
Stream Channel	0.193		

Approximate Timeframe of Project Implementation

September 1st through September 30th, 2020

Project Location

County: Tehama County

Section 17, Township 29N, Range 04W

Latitude: 40.371688° and Longitude: -122.331858°

FINDINGS OF APPLICABILITY

This letter serves as formal notice that Order No. SB12006GN is applicable to this streambed restoration project. Your waste discharge identification (WDID) number is 5A52CR00200.

REPORTING

A Notice of Completion (NOC) shall be submitted by the applicant no later than 30 days after the work has been completed. The NOC shall demonstrate that the work has been carried out in accordance with the description provided in the applicant's Notice of Intent.

AT&T Corporation
AT&T LightGuide Fiber Optic
Cable Repair Phase 2 Project

Failure to comply with the terms and conditions of Order No. SB12006GN **may expose** AT&T Corporation **to enforcement action pursuant to the Clean Water Act and California Water Code.**

If you require further assistance, please contact me by phone at (530) 224-4784 or by email at Jerred.Ferguson@waterboards.ca.gov. You may also contact Lynn Coster, Senior Environmental Scientist of the Storm Water and Water Quality Certification Unit, by phone at (530) 224-2437 or by email at Lynn.Coster@waterboards.ca.gov.

Original Signed by Clint Snyder AEO

(for) Patrick Pulupa,
Executive Officer

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Enclosure: Amended Order for Clean Water Act Section 401 General Water Quality Certification for Small Habitat Restoration Projects File No. SB12006GN (Applicant Only)

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