
Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board

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NOTICE OF APPLICABILITY; GENERAL SECTION 401 WATER QUALITY CERTIFICATION ORDER REQUIREMENTS; JIM AND LEE ANN BRISCOE, POPLAR COVE LINER REPAIR PROJECT (WDID# 5B20CR00142), MADERA COUNTY

On 27 July 2026, Jim and Lee Ann Briscoe (Permittee) filed a notification requesting coverage under the State Water Resources Control Board Clean Water Act Section 401 General Water Quality Certification of the United States Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) Nationwide Permits (Order No. WQ 2025-0066-DWQ) for the Poplar Cove Liner Repair (Project). After reviewing the notification and the supplemental material submitted by the Permittee, 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 0.032 acres of waters of the United States.

The Central Valley Water Board is certifying this Project under United States Army Corps of Engineers' Nationwide Permit 3(a), Maintenance, 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) (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 Orders webpage.

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 27 July 2026, 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 Coverage under the General Certification Order is no longer valid if the Project (as described) is modified.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 Project consists of replacing a deteriorated shotcrete slope-protection liner along the Permittee's Bass Lake frontage. Construction will occur in dry conditions when

seasonal lake levels have receded below the work area. Staging is confined to the existing driveway and access path; equipment will operate from upland artificial turf and paved surfaces.

Project elements that affect aquatic resources include replacing existing hard armoring of the lake shore with rock slope protection within the existing footprint. The Project will temporarily impact 0.032 acre of lake. Temporarily impacted areas will be restored to pre-Project condition.

PROJECT LOCATION:

The Project is located within Poplar Cove on Bass Lake. The approximate center of the Project area is located at latitude 37.31743 degrees and longitude -119.55302 degrees.

PROJECT SCHEDULE:

The Project is expected to commence in October 2026 and be completed within 30 days.

APPLICATION FEE RECEIVED:

An application fee of \$4,212.00 was received on 5 August 2026. The fee amount was determined as required by California Code of Regulations, title 23, sections 3833(b)(3) and 2200(a)(4) and was calculated as Category E - Low Impact Discharges (fee code 87) with the dredge and fill fee calculator.

ADDITIONAL CONDITION:

- 1. Annual Reporting:** The Permittee shall submit an Annual Report each year on the 1st day of the month, one year after the effective date of this Notice of Applicability. Annual reporting shall continue until the Central Valley Water Board issues a Notice of Project Complete Letter to the Permittee.

The Annual Report shall include the information specified in Attachment B, Part A of Order No. WQ 2025-0066-DWQ. The Permittee shall submit the report in accordance with the report submittal instructions in Attachment B of Order No. WQ 2025-0066-DWQ and email it to centralvalleyfresno@waterboards.ca.gov with a cc to Brandon Salazar at brandon.salazar@waterboards.ca.gov. The WDID No. for this Project is 5B20CR00142.

If you have any questions regarding this Notice of Applicability, please contact Brandon Salazar at (559) 445-6287 or at brandon.salazar@waterboards.ca.gov.

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