
Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board

30 May 2024

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**NOTICE OF APPLICABILITY FOR COVERAGE UNDER ORDER SB12006GN,
AMENDED ORDER FOR CLEAN WATER ACT SECTION 401 GENERAL WATER
QUALITY CERTIFICATION FOR SMALL HABITAT RESTORATION PROJECTS,
ROCKY POINT MEADOW RESTORATION PROJECT (WDID# 5B22CR00071),
MARIPOSA COUNTY**

On 30 April 2024, Yosemite National Park submitted a Notice of Intent (NOI) to enroll under and comply with State Water Resources Control Board (State Water Board) Order No. SB12006GN, Amended Order for Clean Water Act Section 401 General Water Quality Certification for Small Habitat Restoration Projects.

The Central Valley Water Quality Control Board (Central Valley Water Board) has reviewed your enrollment materials and finds the Rocky Point Meadow Restoration Project (Project) meets the requirements of, and is hereby enrolled under, Order No. SB12006GN. You may proceed with your Project in accordance with the Order.

A copy of [Order SB12006GN](https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/water_issues/programs/cwa401/docs/generalorders/srhcrcert032713.pdf) (https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/water_issues/programs/cwa401/docs/generalorders/srhcrcert032713.pdf) can be found on the State Water Resources Control Board's General Orders webpage and is enclosed.

Please familiarize yourself with the requirements of Order No. SB12006GN. You are responsible for complying with all applicable Order requirements. Failure to comply with Order No. SB12006GN constitutes a violation of the California Water Code and may result in enforcement action or termination of enrollment under the Order.

PROJECT DESCRIPTION:

The 10.8-acre Project consists of restoring approximately 10 acres of meadow habitat by removing abandoned sewage treatment plant infrastructure and associated pipes at Rocky Point Meadow. Two berms within the meadow near the Merced River will also be removed to restore hydrologic processes between Merced River and the meadow.

Project elements that affect aquatic resources include removal of pipes and infrastructure within Eagle Creek and Rocky Point Meadow. Holes created from infrastructure removal will be backfilled with native soil and the site will be restored to

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natural conditions. The restoration activities include planting native plants, seeding native species, installing erosion control, installing willow stakes, and removing invasive species. All the work is expected to be performed in the dry season between June and October.

The Project will temporarily impact 0.15 acre of wetland and will temporarily impact 0.37 acre of stream channel. Temporarily impacted areas will be restored to pre-Project condition. The Project is expected to rehabilitate 10 acres of wetland by restoring the site to natural conditions.

PROJECT LOCATION:

The Project is located at Rocky Point Meadow in Yosemite National Park. The approximate center of the Project area is located at latitude 37.729207 Degrees and longitude -119.610935 Degrees.

PROJECT SCHEDULE:

The Project is expected to break ground in Summer of 2024 and complete construction before December of 2024. All work will be performed in the dry season (June – October).

APPLICATION FEE RECEIVED:

Federal dischargers involved in Dredge and Fill Operations only are not subject to permit fees as required by Section 3833(b)(3)(A) and Section 2200(a)(3) of the California Code of Regulations.

NOTICE OF COMPLETION:

Upon completion of the Project, you shall submit a Notice of Completion (NOC) no later than 30 days after Project completion. The NOC shall demonstrate the Project was carried out in accordance with the Project description, include a map of the Project location with final boundaries of the restoration area, and include post-project photographs. More information on the NOC is listed in section B.6 of the Order.

If you have questions concerning this matter, please contact Brandon Salazar by phone at (559) 445-6278 or by email at Brandon.Salazar@waterboards.ca.gov.

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Enclosure: Amended Order for Clean Water Act Section 401 General Water Quality Certification for Small Habitat Restoration Projects File # SB12006GN

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