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## Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board

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### **NOTICE OF APPLICABILITY; GENERAL SECTION 401 WATER QUALITY CERTIFICATION ORDER REQUIREMENTS FOR THE SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA EDISON, SCE ISABELLA EMERGENCY ROAD REPAIR PROJECT (WDID#5C15CR00136), KERN COUNTY**

On 16 May 2023, Southern California Edison (SCE or Applicant) filed a notification requesting coverage under the 9 October 2018 State Water Resources Control Board Clean Water Act Section 401 General Water Quality Certification of the United States Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) Regional General Permit 8 (General Certification Order) for the SCE Isabella Emergency Road Repair (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 is taking place in 0.595 acre/144 linear feet of waters of the United States.

The Central Valley Water Board is certifying this Project under United States Army Corps of Engineers Regional General Permit 8, Emergency Repair and Protection 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/generalorders/rgp8_cert.pdf) ([https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/water\\_issues/programs/cwa401/docs/generalorders/rgp8\\_cert.pdf](https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/water_issues/programs/cwa401/docs/generalorders/rgp8_cert.pdf)) can be found on the State Water Resources Control Board's General Orders webpage.

The Project is being conducted 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 12 May 2023, 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 Coverage under the General Certification Order is no longer valid if the Project (as described) is modified.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 repairing approximately 5.15 miles of existing access roads damaged by recent storms. The roads are required to maintain existing SCE towers and facilities. SCE has identified one potential stream crossing as well as the potential ordinary high water mark of Lake Isabella intersecting with existing roads. Repairs will be conducted using heavy grading equipment to remediate hazardous road conditions.

The Project will temporarily impact 0.595 acre/144 linear feet of waters of the United States.

**PROJECT LOCATION:**

The Project is located on existing SCE access roads off Highway 155 near Lake Isabella in Kern County.

Section 05, Township 26 South, Range 33 East, MDB&M

Latitude: 35.693969 degrees North and Longitude: 118.465172 degrees West

**PROJECT SCHEDULE:**

The Project started construction on 15 May 2023 and will continue until 10 November 2023.

**APPLICATION FEE RECEIVED:**

An application fee of \$ 2,734.00 was received on 15 May 2023. 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 F - Emergency Projects authorized by a Water Board General Order (fee code 85) with the dredge and fill fee calculator.

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

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