



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 GAS COMPANY, TIMP-L7000-P1 GAS LINE EMERGENCY PROJECT (WDID# 5C15CR00149), KERN COUNTY

On 12 August 2024, the Southern California Gas Company (Applicant) filed a notification requesting coverage under the 1 August 2023 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 TIMP-L7000-P1 Gas Line Emergency (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 0.11 acre 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/2023/rgp-8-certification-mainbody.pdf) (https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/water_issues/programs/cwa401/docs/2023/rgp-8-certification-mainbody.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 14 August 2024, and supplementary information (Application Package). Coverage under the General Certification Order is no longer valid if the Project (as described) is modified.

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PROJECT DESCRIPTION:

The 0.93-acre Project consists of emergency repairs to SoCalGas Line 7000 pipeline. The pipeline has been determined to be at risk of failure and needs to be repaired immediately. The solution will require excavating the pipeline within Poso Creek to make the repairs. The excavated pipe trench will then be back filled, and the creek will be recontoured to pre-Project conditions.

Project elements that affect aquatic resources include excavating a trench in the stream channel to make repairs to the Line 7000 pipeline and grading a ramp on the banks of the creek to the channel bottom.

Total Project fill/excavation quantities for all impacts are summarized in Table 1. Temporarily impacted areas shall be restored to pre-Project condition.

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

Aquatic Resources Type	Acres	Cubic Yards	Linear Feet
Lake			
Ocean/bay/estuary			
Riparian Zone	0.19	250	21
Stream Channel	0.11	250	21
Vernal Pool			
Wetland			

REPORTING AND NOTIFICATION REQUIREMENTS:

The Applicant shall submit all reports in accordance with the report submittal instructions in Attachment B of Order WQ 2023-0061-DWQ, and in accordance with conditions specified in this Notice of Applicability 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 **5C15CR00149**.

PROJECT LOCATION:

The Project is located at an underground pipeline crossing under Poso Creek in Kern County.

Latitude: 35.644395 Degrees and Longitude: -119.276675 Degrees

PROJECT SCHEDULE:

The Project started construction on 12 August 2024 and will continue until 31 August 2024.

APPLICATION FEE RECEIVED:

An application fee of \$2,985.00 was received on 9 August 2024.

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 at Brandon.Salazar@waterboards.ca.gov.

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