
Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board

15 September 2023

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NOTICE OF APPLICABILITY; GENERAL SECTION 401 WATER QUALITY CERTIFICATION ORDER REQUIREMENTS FOR THE SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA EDISON, CONDUIT REPAIR SEQUOIA NATIONAL PARK PROJECT (WDID# 5C54CR00141), TULARE COUNTY

On 30 August 2023, Southern California Edison (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 Conduit Repair Sequoia National Park Project (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 will within 0.0002 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 shall be 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 30 August 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 Coverage under the General Certification Order is no longer valid if the Project (as described) is modified.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 will temporarily impact 0.0002 acre of waters of the United States. The Applicant will conduct emergency repairs to a conduit that was exposed and then burned, damaging the conduit so that wires have been exposed. Work would include opening the trench and exposing the line, then placing a sleeve over the damaged conduit. The 4 foot by 2 foot exposed area would then be backfilled with gravel before being covered with native soil. Work is estimated to take approximately one to two days to complete.

PROJECT LOCATION:

The Project is located at an unnamed tributary to Little Deer Creek in Sequoia National Park.

Latitude: 36.56278 degrees North and Longitude: -118.76472 degrees West

PROJECT SCHEDULE:

The approximate timeframe of Project construction may begin as soon as 5 September 2023 and will last approximately two days.

APPLICATION FEE RECEIVED:

An application fee of \$2,734.00 was received on 31 August 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.

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