



Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board

24 September 2019

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NOTICE OF APPLICABILITY

WAIVER OF REPORTS OF WASTE DISCHARGE AND WASTE DISCHARGE REQUIREMENTS FOR SPECIFIC TYPES OF DISCHARGE WITHIN THE CENTRAL VALLEY REGION, COBB AREA COUNTY WATER DISTRICT, BRANDING IRON MUTUAL WATER COMPANY WELL AND TREATMENT SITE, LAKE COUNTY

On 23 August 2019, Cobb Area County Water District (Cobb Area Water District) submitted a Report of Waste Discharge (RWD) for coverage under Resolution R5-2018-0085, *Approving Waiver of Reports of Waste Discharge and Waste Discharge Requirements for Specific Types of Discharge Within the Central Valley Region* (or Low Threat Waiver). Construction activity for the Branding Iron Mutual Water Company Well and Treatment Site, which was scheduled to begin this 2019 construction year, has been delayed due to project funding. Discharges from construction dewatering operations was previously regulated under Resolution R5-2013-0145, which expired on 5 December 2018. Resolution R5-2018-0085 adopted by the Central Valley Regional Water Quality Board (Central Valley Water Board) on 7 December 2018 replaces Resolution R5-2013-0145. Cobb Area Water District requests continued coverage under the renewed waiver.

Based on the information submitted, the discharge to land qualifies for coverage under Category 7 for discharges of dewatering operations during construction. The discharge is hereby covered under the Low Threat Waiver and assigned enrollee number R5-2018-0085-0029. Please include this number on all correspondence related to this discharge.

A copy of the Low Threat Waiver is enclosed. You can also find a copy of the Low Threat Waiver R5-2018-0085 on the Central Valley Water Board's website at: https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/centralvalley/board_decisions/adopted_orders/waivers/r5-2018-0085.pdf

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Coverage under the Low Threat Waiver R5-2018-0085 is valid until 7 December 2023. Prior to this date, the Discharger shall contact the Central Valley Water Board and either cease the discharge or submit a new RWD and application fee to continue coverage under a renewed waiver or obtain site-specific waste discharge requirements.

PROJECT DESCRIPTION

Cobb Area Water District owns and operates the site known as the Branding Iron Mutual Water Company Well and Treatment Site. The site is located at 9105 State Route 175, Kelseyville in Lake County, as shown on Attachment A. Construction activities at the site will include installation of a treatment building, well, bridge, and back-wash recovery tank, and modifications to an existing well. Dewatering activities are anticipated during the bridge construction.

Encountered groundwater will be discharged to land on the project site, approximately 0.65 acres comprising of native grasslands and trees, as shown on Attachment A. The estimated daily discharge volume will not exceed 1,200 gallons per day (gpd). No additives or chemicals will be added to the discharged water.

The dewatering period will be limited to a few weeks during the construction season between 15 June through 15 October. Although project startup is dependent upon available funding, completion is anticipated for the end of the 2021 construction season.

FACILITY-SPECIFIC REQUIREMENTS

1. Application of construction dewatering discharges at a location or in a manner different from that described in the RWD and this Notice of Applicability (NOA) is prohibited.
2. The application shall not cause or threaten to cause conditions of contamination, nuisance, or pollution as defined in California Water Code section 13050.
3. Application of construction dewatering discharges or runoff from the application areas to adjacent lands, surface waters, or surface water drainage courses is prohibited.
4. Failure to abide by the conditions of the Low Threat Waiver R5-2018-0085, and this NOA could result in enforcement actions, as authorized by provisions of the California Water Code.

DOCUMENT SUBMITTALS

All monitoring reports and other correspondence should be converted to searchable Portable Document Format (PDF) and submitted electronically. Documents that are less than 50 MB should be emailed to: centralvalleysacramento@waterboards.ca.gov.

To ensure that your submittal is routed to the appropriate staff person, the following information should be included in the body of the email or any documentation submitted to the mailing address for this office:

Program: Non-15
Facility Name: Branding Iron Mutual Water Company Well/Treatment Site, Lake County
Place ID: 848961
Order: R5-2018-0085-0029

Documents that are 50 MB or larger should be transferred to a CD, DVD, or flash drive and mailed to:

Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board
ECM Mailroom
11020 Sun Center Drive, Suite 200
Rancho Cordova, CA 95670

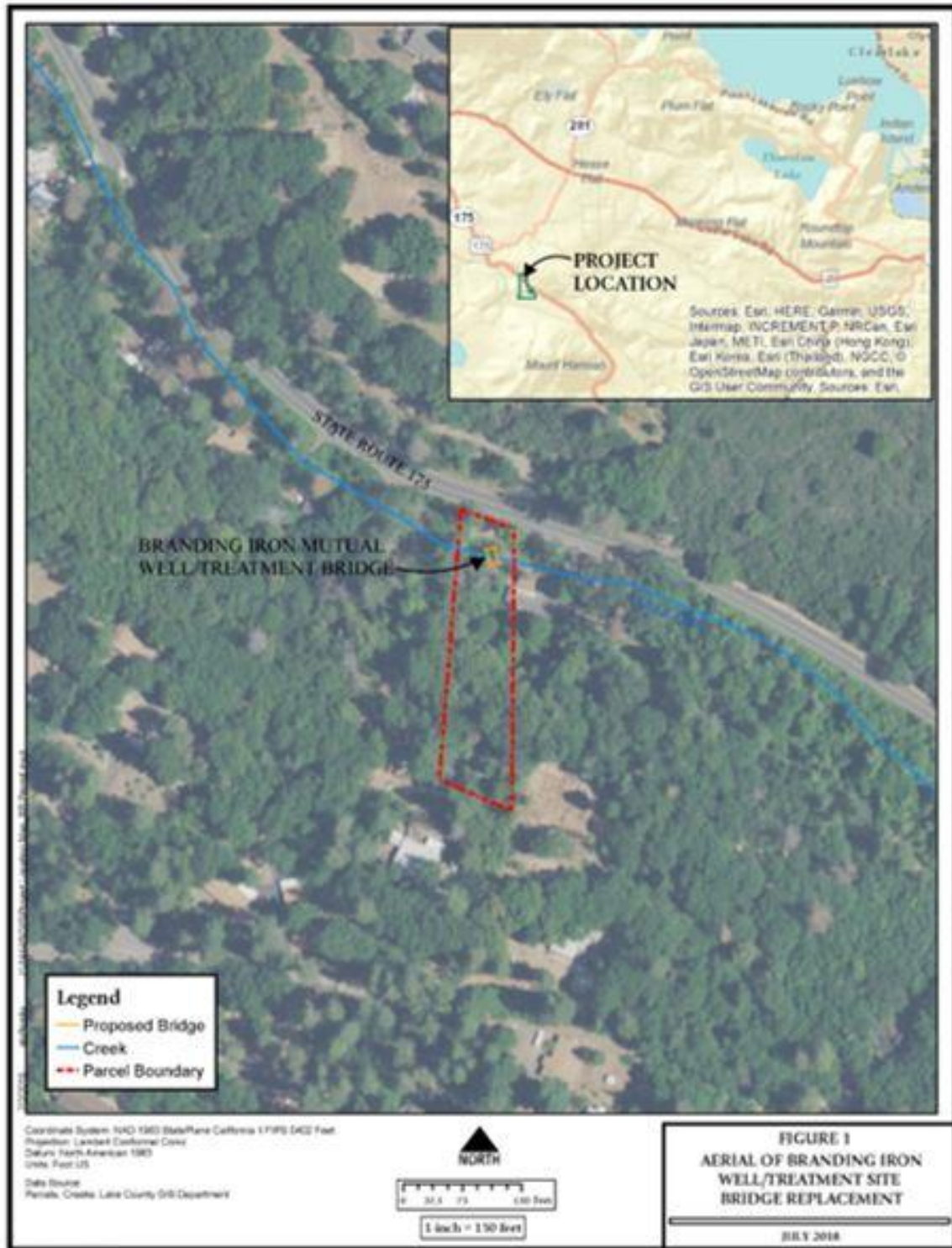
Now that the NOA has been issued, the Board's Compliance and Enforcement section will take over management of your case. Guy Childs is your new point of contact for any questions about compliance with the Waiver. If you find it necessary to make a change to your permitted operations, Guy will direct you to the appropriate Permitting staff. You may contact Guy at (916) 464-4648 or at guy.childs@waterboards.ca.gov.

- original signed by Robert Busby for -

PATRICK PULUPA
Executive Officer

Enc: Attachment A
Waiver R5-2018-0085

Cc w/o enc: Lake County Environmental Health, Lakeport
Howard Hold, CVRWQCB, Rancho Cordova
Karen Jamgochian, Brelje & Race Consulting Engineers, Santa Rosa



Drawing Reference:
As Noted Above

SITE LOCATION MAP
 COBB AREA COUNTY WATER DISTRICT
 BRANDING IRON WELL AND TREATMENT SITE
 LAKE COUNTY

Approx. Scale
As Noted Above