## PUBLIC NOTICE FOR CLEAN WATER ACT 401 WATER QUALITY CERTIFICATION AMENDMENT BEFORE THE STATE WATER RESOURCES CONTROL BOARD

A request for water quality certification (certification) amendment under section 401 of the Clean Water Act for the following project was filed with the State Water Resources Control Board (State Water Board). California Code of Regulations, title 23, section 3858 requires the Executive Director of the State Water Board to provide public notice of an application for certification amendment at least twenty-one (21) days before taking certification action on the application. The typical notice period may be shortened in an emergency.

Written questions and/or comments regarding the application should be directed to Jessica Dyke:

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Division of Water Rights – Water Quality Certification Program
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**RECEIVED:** December 19, 2024 PROJECT: December 19, 2024 Poe Hydroelectric Project

APPLICANT: Pacific Gas and Electric Company

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COUNTY: Butte

**PUBLIC NOTICE:** January 14, 2025

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: On December 19, 2024, the Pacific Gas and Electric Company (PG&E) submitted a water quality certification (certification) amendment application for the Poe Hydroelectric Project (Project), Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) Project No. 2107. The proposed amendment would change the language in certification Condition 1: Minimum Instream Flows and Condition 9: Poe Bypass Reach Biological Monitoring. PG&E proposes to change Condition 1 language to allow Minimum Instream Flow (MIF) modifications for future maintenance or repairs of the dam, outlet facilities, and MIF release facilities without seeking a certification amendment. PG&E proposes to change Condition 9 to (1) make the language in the condition consistent with previously approved changes to the *Amphibian Monitoring Plan*, (2) change the language of Condition 9 for plan revisions, and (3) clarify the biological monitoring schedule in the *Poe Bypass Reach Fish and Benthic Macroinvertebrate Monitoring Plan*.