

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

An application for the following project was filed with the State Water Resources Control Board, Division of Water Rights for a Water Quality Certification under section 401 of the Clean Water Act. California Code of Regulations, title 23, section 3858 requires the Executive Director of the State Water Board to provide public notice of an application at least twenty-one (21) days before taking certification action on the application. Written questions regarding the application should be directed to:

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<b>RECEIVED:</b>	January 26, 2018
<b>PROJECT:</b>	La Grange Hydroelectric Project (FERC No. 14581)
<b>APPLICANT:</b>	Turlock Irrigation District & Modesto Irrigation District
<b>CONTACT:</b>	Steve Boyd/Anna Brathwaite
<b>COUNTY:</b>	Stanislaus County
<b>RECEIVING WATER:</b>	Tuolumne River
<b>PUBLIC NOTICE:</b>	March 27, 2018
<b>PROJECT STATUS:</b>	Pending Certification Action

**PROJECT DESCRIPTION:** La Grange Hydroelectric Project is located on the Tuolumne River in western Stanislaus County. Turlock Irrigation District (TID) and Modesto Irrigation District (MID) are the co-licensees of the 4.75 MW facility. The La Grange Diversion Dam operates in a run-of-river mode for the purpose of raising the level of the Tuolumne River to a height which enables gravity flow of diverted water into the Districts' irrigation systems. In accordance with the Federal Power Act, the Districts submitted an application to license the La Grange Project with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission in October 2017. Prior to the issuance of a new license, the Districts must obtain a Clean Water Act (CWA) section 401 water quality certification that the project will be in compliance with the specified provisions of the CWA (33 U.S.C. § 1341 et seq.), including State water quality standards as contained in the applicable water quality control plan. Issuance of a water quality certification is subject to the California Environmental Quality Act.