

Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board

California Environmental Quality Act Notice of Exemption for Clean Water Act Section 401 Water Quality Certification

To: Office of Planning and Research
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From: California Regional Water Quality Control Board
Central Valley Region, Redding Office
364 Knollcrest Drive, Suite 205
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Date: 10 April 2019

Project Title: Union Pacific Railroad Canyon Subdivision Mile Post 262.53 Culvert Replacement Project, WDID# 5A32CR00194

Project Location - Specific: Canyon Subdivision Mile Post 262.53 Union Pacific Railroad, east of Belden, Latitude: 40.00973° and Longitude: -121.2188°

Project Location - County: Plumas County

Description of Nature, Purpose, and Beneficiaries of Project:

Project proponent will replace and fill the existing 68-foot long, 60-inch wide corrugated metal pipe culvert with a 70-foot long, 72-inch wide smooth steel pipe culvert. The new culvert will be installed using a jack and bore method through the existing Union Pacific Railroad right-of-way.

Name of Public Agencies Approving Project:

Federal Agencies: The project requires authorization under U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Sacramento District. Clean Water Act Section 404, Non-Notifying Nationwide Permit No. 3, Maintenance.

State Agency approval for Clean Water Act Section 401 Water Quality Certification: California Regional Water Quality Control Board, Central Valley Region, Redding Office.
WDID# 5A32CR00194

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project:

Union Pacific Railroad
1400 Douglas Street, STOP 0930
Omaha, NE 68179
Contact: Kevin Rice
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Exempt Status:

The Central Valley Water Board has determined that the Project is categorically exempt from review under CEQA pursuant to California Code of Regulations, Title 14, Article 19, section 15302, Replacement or Reconstruction. Class 2 consists of replacement or reconstruction of existing structures and facilities where the new structure will be located on the same site as the structure replaced and will have substantially the same purpose and capacity as the structure replaced.

Reasons why Project is Exempt:

This project is Categorically Exempt under CEQA section 15302 because the project involves replacing an existing structure that will have substantially the same purpose and capacity as the structure replaced.

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