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November 26, 2024

Regulatory Division (SPK-2016-00480)

County of Fresno
Attn: Ms. Alexis Rutherford
2220 Tulare Street
Fresno, California 93721-2106
arutherford@fresnocountyca.gov

Dear Ms. Rutherford:

We are responding to your September 30, 2024, pre-construction notification for a Department of the Army (DA) permit for the Jacalitos Creek Bridge Replacement project. The approximately 23-acre project site is located on Jacalitos Creek near Coalinga, Latitude 36.1024°, Longitude -120.3109°, Fresno County, California (Enclosure 1).

Based on the information you provided to this office, the Jacalitos Creek Bridge Replacement project involves the discharge of fill material into waters of the U.S. subject to Section 404 of the Clean Water Act. The specific activities that require DA authorization are the placement of fill material into Jacalitos Creek to install rock slope protection and rock barbs and to construct a temporary onsite low water crossing detour. These activities would result in 0.04 acre of permanent impacts and 0.43 acre of temporary impacts to an intermittent channel. The proposed activities would be conducted in accordance with the "Jacalitos Creek on Lost Hills Rd" plans, received by this office on September 30, 2024 (Enclosure 2).

We have determined that activities in waters of the U.S. associated with the project are authorized by Nationwide Permit (NWP) Number 14- Linear Transportation Projects. You must comply with all terms and conditions of the NWP (Enclosure 3) and applicable regional conditions (Enclosure 4). In addition, your work must comply with the following **special conditions**:

1. You shall comply with all terms and conditions of the November 5, 2024, Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board, Section 401 Water Quality Certification (Enclosure 5).

Within **30 days** after completion of the authorized work, you must sign the enclosed Compliance Certification (Enclosure 6) and return it to this office.

This verification is valid until **March 14, 2026**, when the existing NWPs are scheduled to be modified, reissued, or revoked. Furthermore, if you commence or are under contract

to commence this activity before the date the NWP is modified, reissued, or revoked, you will have **12 months** from the date of the modification, reissuance, or revocation to complete the activity under the present terms and conditions. Failure to comply with the general and regional conditions of this NWP, or the project-specific special conditions of this authorization, may result in the suspension or revocation of your authorization.

We would appreciate your feedback on this permit action including your interaction with our staff and processes. For more information about our program or to complete our Regulatory Program national customer service survey, visit our website at www.spk.usace.army.mil/Missions/Regulatory.aspx.

Please refer to identification number SPK-2016-00480 in any correspondence concerning this project. If you have any questions, please contact me at the Bountiful Regulatory Office, 533 West 2600 South, Suite 150, Bountiful, Utah 84010, by email at Michael.A.Pectol@usace.army.mil, or telephone at (801) 295-8380 ext. 8315.

Sincerely,

Michael Pectol
Senior Project Manager
Utah Regulatory Section

Enclosures

cc:

Ms. Leah Melidonian, County of Fresno (lmelidonian@fresnocounty.gov)

COMPLIANCE CERTIFICATION

Permit File Name: Jacalitos Creek Bridge Replacement

Action ID: SPK-2016-00480

Nationwide Permit Number: NWP 14- Linear Transportation Projects

Permittee: County of Fresno
Attn: Ms. Alexis Rutherford
2220 Tulare Street
Fresno, California 93721-2106

County: Fresno County

Date of Verification: November 26, 2024

Within 30 days after completion of the activity authorized by this permit, sign this certification and return it to the following address:

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers
Sacramento District
SPKRegulatoryMailbox@usace.army.mil

Please note that your permitted activity is subject to a compliance inspection by a U.S. Army Corps of Engineers representative. If you fail to comply with the terms and conditions of the permit your authorization may be suspended, modified, or revoked. If you have any questions about this certification, please contact the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers.

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I hereby certify that the work authorized by the above-referenced permit, including all the required mitigation, was completed in accordance with the terms and conditions of the permit verification.

Permittee Signature

Date

Enclosure 6