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North Coast Regional Water Quality Control Board

October 15, 2013

Mr. Jim McIntosh
Associate Environmental Planner, NS
California Department of Transportation
1656 Union Street
Eureka, CA 95501

Dear Mr. McIntosh:

Subject: Enrollment of 11 Transportation Structure Maintenance Projects on Highways 1 and 128 in Mendocino County subject to coverage under Resolution No. R1-2012-0099 and Transmittal of Monitoring and Reporting Program Order No. R1-2013-0053

File: CDOT Mendocino County Bridge Maintenance Orders, WDID No. 1B13119RMEN

North Coast Regional Water Quality Control Board (Regional Water Board) staff has completed review of the Report of Waste Discharge (ROWD) received August 22, 2013, describing 11 transportation structure maintenance projects (hereinafter Projects) located in Mendocino County. These Projects on State Route (SR) 1 are known as Bridge No. 10-0116 Alder Creek Bridge at Post Pile (PM) 22.73, Bridge No. 10-0134 Salmon Creek Bridge at PM 43.00, Bridge No. 10-0150 Jack Peters Creek Bridge at PM 51.87, Bridge No. 10-0153 Casper Bridge at PM 54.71, Bridge No. 10-0154 Jug Handle Bridge at PM 56.73, Bridge No. 10-0175 Hare Creek Bridge at PM 59.67, Bridge No. 10-0298 Noyo River Bridge at PM 60.23, Bridge No. 10-0158 Pudding Creek Bridge at PM 62.12, Bridge No. 10-0166 Blue Slide Bridge at PM 75.00, Bridge No. 10-0138 De Haven Creek Bridge at PM 79.22 and, on SR 128, Bridge No. 10-0073 Mill Creek Bridge at Post Pile (PM) 17.88.

The ROWD was submitted on behalf of the owner and operator of the Projects, the California Department of Transportation (hereinafter Permittee). Based on technical review of the ROWD, Regional Water Board staff has determined that activities within the projects qualify for coverage under a specific "waiver category" under Regional Water Board Resolution No. R1-2012-0099, *Policy for Waiving Waste Discharge Requirements for Specific Types of Waste Discharge* (Categorical Waiver Policy) and as such, the action of issuing waste discharge requirements (WDRs) is waived. A project fee of \$1,389.00 was received by our office on September 5, 2013.

The following maintenance activities are expected to take place on these transportation structures between May 15, 2014, and October 15, 2014:

1. Bridge No. 10-0116 Alder Creek Bridge at Post Pile (PM) 22.73 on SR 1
 - a. Repair spalled areas on bridge structure.
2. Bridge 10-0134 Salmon Creek Bridge at PM 43.00 on SR 1
 - a. Repair spalled areas on bridge structure; and
 - b. Repair seismic restrainer cables.
3. Bridge No. 10-0150 Jack Peters Creek Bridge at PM 51.87 on SR 1
 - a. Repair spalled areas on bridge structure; and
 - b. Replace expansion joint.
4. Bridge No. 10-0153 Casper Bridge at PM 54.71 on SR 1
 - a. Clean and seal paving notch; and
 - b. Replace cable restrainers.
5. Bridge No. 10-0154 Jug Handle Bridge at PM 56.73 on SR 1
 - a. Repair spalled areas throughout bridge.
6. Bridge No. 10-0175 Hare Creek Bridge at PM 59.67 on SR 1
 - a. Repair spalled areas on bridge structure.
7. Bridge No. 10-0298 Noyo River Bridge at PM 60.23 on SR 1
 - a. Repair spalled areas on bridge structure.
8. Bridge No. 10-0158 Pudding Creek Bridge at PM 62.12 on SR 1
 - a. Rail spall repair.
9. Bridge No. 10-0166 Blue Slide Bridge at PM 75.00 on SR 1
 - a. Repair spalled areas on bridge structure.
10. Bridge No. 10-0138 De Haven Creek Bridge at PM 79.22 on SR 1
 - a. Repair spalled areas on bridge structure; and
 - b. Epoxy inject bridge structure cracks.
11. Bridge No. 10-0073 Mill Creek Bridge at Post Pile (PM) 17.88 on SR 128
 - a. Repair spalled areas on bridge structure.

Technical review of the submitted ROWD indicates that these activities are consistent with the North Coast Region's Water Quality Control Plan for the North Coast Region (Basin Plan) and meet the requirements of the Categorical Waiver Policy.

As a condition of coverage under the Categorical Waiver Policy, the Permittee shall complete the Projects as described in the August 22, 2012 ROWD, including using all proposed Best Management Practices, containing all waste, and notifying Regional Water Board staff of the commencement and completion of the Projects.

Here is a link to Regional Water Board Resolution No. R1-2012-0099, *Policy for Waiving Waste Discharge Requirements for Specific Types of Waste Discharge*

http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/northcoast/board_decisions/adopted_orders/pdf/2012/12_0099_Resolution_CategoricalWaiver.pdf

And Attachment A:

http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/northcoast/board_decisions/adopted_orders/pdf/2012/12_0099_Resolution_CategoricalWaiver_AttachA.pdf

In order to satisfy the monitoring and reporting requirements of the Categorical Waiver Policy, this correspondence transmits Monitoring and Reporting Program Order No. R1-2013-0053 (MRP Order No. R1-2013-0053)(Enclosure 1). MRP Order No. R1-2013-0053 was developed to ensure that any future threats to water quality that may be created by transportation structure maintenance activities are properly abated and controlled.

Please be aware that coverage under this categorical waiver requires a permit fee be paid annually until the permit is terminated. Waiver coverage will remain in place for a maximum of five years from the date of this letter, until coverage is terminated by Regional Water Board staff in writing. It is the Permittee's responsibility to request cancellation of the permit coverage as soon as the project is completed.

Therefore, provided the Permittee complies with MRP Order No. R1-2013-0053 (enclosed), waste discharges requirements shall be waived for the maintenance of transportation structures on these projects in accordance with Order No. 2012-0099.

If you have any questions, please contact Gil Falcone at Gil.Falcone@waterboards.ca.gov or (707) 576-2830 or Mona Dougherty at Mona.Dougherty@waterboards.ca.gov or (707) 570-3761.

Sincerely,

Original Signed By

Matthias St. John
Executive Officer

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Enclosure: (1) Monitoring and Reporting Program Order No. R1-2013-0053

Certified-Return Receipt Requested