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

On April 9, 2024, United Water Conservation District (United) filed an application for water quality certification (certification) for the Freeman Diversion Facility Renovation Project with the State Water Resources Control Board (State Water Board). Certifications are issued 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 for certification at least twenty-one (21) days before taking certification action on the application.

Written questions and/or comments regarding the application should be directed to James Noss:

By email:

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Division of Water Rights – Water Quality Certification Program
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RECEIVED:	April 9, 2024
PROJECT:	Freeman Diversion Facility Renovation Project
APPLICANT:	United Water Conservation District
CONTACT:	Randall McInvale
COUNTIES:	Ventura
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PROJECT DESCRIPTION: United is proposing the Freeman Diversion Facility Renovation Project (Project), with the overall goal to renovate the Freeman Diversion to improve fish passage at the facility, enhance the operational flexibility of the diversion for future water resource management, and enable greater sediment management capability through the facility while minimizing and mitigating potential take of threatened and endangered species. The Project consists of replacing the existing off-channel Denil fish ladder with an in-river hardened ramp, resurfacing the downstream face of the diversion grade control structure, constructing a new diversion intake and headworks, replacing and adding to the sediment management systems, replacing the fish screen system, replacing the fish bypass and evaluation system, and updating the flow operations at the diversion.