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ACTION ON REQUEST FOR CLEAN WATER ACT §401 WATER QUALITY CERTIFICATION FOR DISCHARGE OF DREDGED AND/OR FILL MATERIALS FOR THE CACHE CREEK RESOURCES MANAGEMENT PLAN (WDID #5A57CR00006), YOLO COUNTY

ACTION:

- Order for Standard Certification
- 2. Order for Technically-conditioned Certification
- 3. Order for Denial of Certification

WATER QUALITY CERTIFICATION STANDARD CONDITIONS:

- 1. This certification action is subject to modification or revocation upon administrative or judicial review, including review and amendment pursuant to §13330 of the California Water Code and §3867 of Title 23 of the California Code of Regulations (23 CCR).
- 2. This certification action is not intended and shall not be construed to apply to any discharge from any activity involving a hydroelectric facility requiring a Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) license or an amendment to a FERC license unless the pertinent certification application was filed pursuant to 23 CCR subsection 3855(b) and the application specifically identified that a FERC license or amendment to a FERC license for a hydroelectric facility was being sought.
- The validity of any non-denial certification action shall be conditioned upon total payment of the full fee required under 23 CCR §3833, unless otherwise stated in writing by the certifying agency.

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WATER QUALITY CERTIFICATION:

I hereby issue an order certifying that any discharge from the Cache Creek Resources Management Plan will comply with the applicable provisions of §301 ("Effluent Limitations"), §302 ("Water Quality Related Effluent Limitations"), §303 ("Water Quality Standards and Implementation Plans"), §306 ("National Standards of Performance"), and §307 ("Toxic and Pretreatment Effluent Standards") of the Clean Water Act.

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Acting Executive Officer

Enclosure:

Project Information

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U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Sacramento

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U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service, Sacramento

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PROJECT INFORMATION

Application Date: 23 May 2002

Applicant: County of Yolo

292 West Beamer Street Woodland, CA 95695-2598

Applicant Representatives: Ms. Linda Fiack

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Project Name: Cache Creek Resources Management Plan

Application Number: N/A

Type of Project: Channel stabilization, and habitat restoration

Project Location: The channel boundary extends from the Capay Dam on Cache Creek, downstream to the I-5 Bridge near the Town of Yolo, a distance of approximately 14.5 miles within portions of Rancho Canada De Capay & Rancho Geusisiso, Township 10 North, Ranges 2 West, 1 West, and 1 East MDB&M. Latitude: Ranging between 38°42'51.011697 North to 38°40'17.780209' North;

Longitude: 122°08'282007' West to 121°52'20.379910' West.

County: Yolo County

Receiving Water(s) (hydrologic unit): Cache Creek, Sacramento Hydrologic Basin, Valley Putah-Cache Hydrologic Unit #511.30, Lower Cache Creek HA

Water Body Type: Riparian, River

Designated Beneficial Uses: The Basin Plan for the Central Valley Regional Board has designated beneficial uses for surface and ground waters within the region. Beneficial uses that could be impacted by the project include: Municipal and Domestic Water Supply (MUN); Agricultural Supply (AGR); Industrial Supply (IND), Hydropower Generation (POW); Groundwater Recharge, Water Contact Recreation (REC-1); Non-contact Water Recreation (REC-2); Warm Freshwater Habitat (WARM); Cold Freshwater Habitat (COLD); and Wildlife Habitat (WILD).

Project Description (purpose/goal): The Cache Creek Resources Management Plan is primarily a river management plan that focuses on a program of channel stabilization and habitat restoration, and prohibits commercial mining within the active channel. The Cache Creek Improvement Plan was adopted as a means of implementing the goals and objectives of the Cache Creek Resources Management Plan. Together, the plans provide the necessary structure and policies for implementing a program to manage the wide variety of resources associated with the Creek, including: habitat, water C:\Documents and Settings\jhunrath\Local Settings\Temporary Internet Files\OLK3D1\AttachK_RWQCBCert.docPage

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resources, aggregate resources, agriculture, and recreation. Identified categories of channel restoration and maintenance activities include: gravel bar skimming; vegetation removal; minor bank protection work; removal of debris at bridges; maintenance of defined low-flow channels; and internal levee repair and stabilization.

Preliminary Water Quality Concerns: The maintenance activities may impact surface waters with increased turbidity and settleable matter. Sedimentation and erosion are of concern.

Proposed Mitigation to Address Concerns: The County of Yolo will implement Best Management Practices to control erosion and sedimentation.

Fill/Excavation Area: None

Dredge Volume: <0.0 cubic yards

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Permit Number: County of Yolo applied for a Nationwide Permit #58 on 17 May 2002.

Federal Public Notice: N/A

Department of Fish & Game Streambed Alteration Agreement: County of Yolo applied for a Streambed Alteration Agreement on 17 May 2002.

Possible Listed Species: None

Status of CEQA Compliance: County of Yolo received a Notice of Determination (NOD), Clearinghouse Number 96013004 on 24 July 2002.

Compensatory Mitigation: None required

Application Fee Provided: A \$500 fee was submitted on 28 May 2002 as required by

23 CCR § 2200(e).