

# memorandum

date November 22, 2021

to John Forsythe, AICP

cc Alexandra Thompson (ESA), Eric Zigas (ESA)

from Sharon Dulava (ESA)

subject MPWSP – Carmel Valley Pump Station Project Weekly Report (11/15/2021 – 11/19/2021)

## ***Construction Activities***

Construction activities observed during the week of 11/15/2021 – 11/19/2021 included installation of electrical components within the pump station and general site maintenance activities. Work was conducted by Monterey Peninsula Engineering (MPE). Demolition activities concluded on 11/8/2021. K-rail on Carmel Valley Road that was installed for the pipeline tie-in installation has been removed. No additional work was conducted on the tie-in this week as crews finalize methods for dewatering the existing pipeline in Carmel Valley Road.

## ***Compliance Activities***

ESA and Denise Duffy & Associates (CalAm monitor) were on site for a compliance inspection on 11/18/2021. No special-status species were observed during demolition or fence replacement work. Exclusionary fencing was determined to be in acceptable condition to prevent special-status amphibians from entering the work area (**Mitigation Measure 4.6-1c** and **Mitigation Measure 4.6-1o**). The spoils stock pile remains covered with Visqueen material and surrounded by amphibian-friendly straw wattle (**Mitigation Measure 4.6-1**). No spills or hazardous materials were observed (**Mitigation Measure 4.6-1c. 17**).

Additional information about compliance activities is included in the weekly CalAm report included in **Appendix A** and ESA inspection log in **Appendix B**.

## ***Compliance Issues and Resolutions***

One minor compliance issue was observed during the 11/18/2021 site visit: a small amount of food waste was observed littered on the site (**Mitigation Measure 4.6-1c. 18**). CalAm monitors routinely instruct crews to dispose of all food waste in the receptacle provided on site.

## **APPENDIX A**

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### CalAm Weekly Report



**DENISE DUFFY & ASSOCIATES, INC.**  
PLANNING AND ENVIRONMENTAL CONSULTING

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DATE: November 22, 2021

TO: Alexandra Thompson, Environmental Science Associates (ESA)

FROM: Matt Johnson, Denise Duffy & Associates, Inc. (DD&A)

CC: Even Holmboe, ESA  
Sharon Dulava, ESA  
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Tim O'Halloran, CalAm

Denise Duffy & Associates, Inc. (DD&A) is contracted with AECOM to provide biological monitoring support for the California American Water Company (CalAm) Carmel Valley Pump Station (CVPS) component of the larger Monterey Peninsula Water Supply Project (MPWSP). Biological monitoring includes providing environmental guidance to construction personnel and ensuring the project remains in compliance with the Mitigation, Monitoring, Compliance, and Reporting Program (MMCRP).

This report summarizes the results of monitoring for the week of November 15-19, 2021.

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|------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Project/Component:<br><b>Carmel Valley Pump Station</b>                      | Work Location:<br><b>Carmel Valley Road &amp; Rancho San Carlos Road</b> |
| Monitoring Period:<br><b>11/15/2021 – 11/19/2021</b>                         | Project Completion Status:<br><b>Ongoing</b>                             |
| Construction Contractors/Personnel:<br><b>Monterey Peninsula Engineering</b> | Biological Lead:<br><b>M. Johnson</b>                                    |
| Biological Monitor:<br><b>P. Krabacher</b>                                   | Days on Site:<br><b>11/18/2021</b>                                       |

|                                                  |                                                    |
|--------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------|
| Biological Surveys:<br><b>No</b>                 | WEAT Training:<br><b>No</b>                        |
| New Sensitive Resources:<br><b>No</b>            | SWPPP Corrective Actions/Maintenance:<br><b>No</b> |
| Encountered Special-Status Species:<br><b>No</b> | Hazardous Spills:<br><b>No</b>                     |
| Relocated Plants or Wildlife:<br><b>No</b>       | Compliance Issues:<br><b>No</b>                    |

**Summary of Construction Activities**

11/18/2021

- Electrical work within the pump station.

**Summary of Monitoring Activities**

11/18/2021

- Conducted weekly site inspection with CPUC representative.
- DD&A compliance monitor inspected the status of exclusionary fencing and proper trash disposal in accordance with Mitigation Measure 4.6-1c.

- Photographed project site conditions.

**Compliance Checklist**

| Compliance Question                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | Compliance Level | Note |
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| MM 4.6-1b - WEAT                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |                  |      |
| 4.6-1b. Construction Worker Environmental Awareness Training and Education                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |                  |      |
| 4.6-1b. 1. All workers attend WEAT training and have sticker on hardhat?                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              | Yes              |      |
| MM 4.6-1c - GENERAL                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |                  |      |
| 4.6-1c. General Avoidance and Minimization Measures                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |                  |      |
| 4.6-1c. 1. Construction footprint, staging areas, equipment access routes, and disposal or temporary placement of spoils, delineated with stakes and flagging prior to construction to avoid natural resources outside of the project area?                                                                                                           | Yes              |      |
| 4.6-1c. 2. Construction vehicles within the delineated construction work area boundary or local road network?                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         | Yes              |      |
| 4.6-1c. 3. Vehicles and equipment in project area maintaining 15 miles per hour or less speed limit?                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  | Yes              |      |
| 4.6-1c. 4. Excavated soils stockpiled in disturbed areas lacking native vegetation and marked to define the limits?                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | Yes              |      |
| 4.6-1c. 5. Standard best management practices employed to prevent loss of habitat due to erosion caused by project related impacts?                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | Yes              |      |
| 4.6-1c. 6. Fueling of construction equipment within existing paved areas and at least 50 feet from drainages and native habitats?                                                                                                                                                                                                                     | Yes              |      |
| 4.6-1c. 7. Introduction of exotic plant species avoided through physical or chemical removal and prevention?                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          | Yes              |      |
| 4.6-1c. 8. Use of herbicides as vegetation control measures used only when mechanical means have been deemed ineffective?                                                                                                                                                                                                                             | N/A              |      |
| 4.6-1c. 9. Prior to construction at any site where special-status amphibians, reptiles and mammals have a moderate or high potential to occur, the construction work area boundary was fenced with a temporary exclusion fence to prevent special-status wildlife from entering the site during construction?                                         | Yes              |      |
| 4.6-1c. 10. If special-status wildlife species were found on the site immediately prior to construction or during project construction, construction activities ceased in the vicinity of the animal until the animal moved on its own outside of the project area?                                                                                   | N/A              |      |
| 4.6-1c. 11. Immediately prior to conducting vegetation removal or grading activities inside fenced exclusion areas, qualified biologist(s) surveyed within the exclusion area to ensure that no special-status species were present?                                                                                                                  | N/A              |      |
| 4.6-1c. 12. All excavated, steep-walled holes or trenches more than 2 feet deep were inspected for trapped animals and covered with plywood or similar materials at the close of each work day, or escape ramps constructed of earth fill or wooden planks positioned within the excavations to allow special-status wildlife to escape on their own? | Yes              |      |
| 4.6-1c. 13. All construction pipes, culverts, or similar structures that are stored at a construction site for one or more overnight periods and with a diameter of 4 inches or more were inspected for special-status wildlife before the pipe was subsequently buried, capped, or otherwise used or moved in any way?                               | Yes              |      |
| 4.6-1c. 14. All vertical tubes used in project construction, such as chain link fencing poles or signage mounts, were temporarily or permanently capped at the time they are installed to avoid the entrapment and death of special status birds?                                                                                                     | Yes              |      |
| 4.6-1c. 15. Water used for dust abatement was minimized in an effort to avoid the formation of puddles that could attract common ravens and other predators to the construction work areas?                                                                                                                                                           | Yes              |      |
| 4.6-1c. 16. Parked vehicles or equipment in the project area were inspected underneath for wildlife prior to moving?                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  | Yes              |      |
| 4.6-1c. 17. All vehicles and equipment were in proper working condition to ensure that there was no potential for fugitive emissions of motor oil, antifreeze, hydraulic fluid, grease, or other hazardous materials?                                                                                                                                 | Yes              |      |
| 4.6-1c. 18. Trash and food items were contained in closed containers and removed from the construction site daily to reduce the attractiveness to opportunistic predators such as common ravens, coyotes, and feral dogs?                                                                                                                             | Yes              |      |
| 4.6-1c. 19. Workers did not feed wildlife and bring pets and firearms to the construction work areas?                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | Yes              |      |
| 4.6-1c. 20. Workers did not intentionally kill or collect wildlife species, including special-status species in the project area and surrounding areas?                                                                                                                                                                                               | Yes              |      |
| MM 4.6-1e - SPECIAL STATUS PLANTS                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |                  |      |

| Compliance Question                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                | Compliance Level | Note |
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| 4.6-1e. Avoidance and Minimization Measures for Special-status Plants                                                                                                                                                                                                              |                  |      |
| 4.6-1e. 3. Special-status plants located within temporary construction areas were fenced or flagged for avoidance (if feasible) prior to construction?                                                                                                                             | N/A              |      |
| MM 4.6-1i - NESTING BIRDS                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |                  |      |
| 4.6-1i. Avoidance and Minimization Measures for Nesting Birds                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |                  |      |
| 4.6-1i. 1. If a break of 10 days or more in construction activities during the breeding season, a new nesting bird survey was conducted before re-initiating construction?                                                                                                         | Yes              |      |
| 4.6-1i. 3. Surveys covered all potential nesting sites within 500 feet of the project area for raptors and within 300 feet for other birds?                                                                                                                                        | Yes              |      |
| 4.6-1i. 2. For all construction activities scheduled during the nesting season (February 1 to September 15), a qualified biologist conducted a pre-construction avian nesting survey no more than 10 days prior to the start of staging, site clearing, and/or ground disturbance? | Yes              |      |
| 4.6-1i. 4. Clearance surveys were performed prior to work activities and impacts avoided?                                                                                                                                                                                          | Yes              |      |
| 4.6-1i. 5. If special-status bird species were observed, was date, time, species, location, and behavior noted?                                                                                                                                                                    | N/A              |      |
| MM 4.6-1k - WOODRAT                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |                  |      |
| 4.6-1k. Avoidance and Minimization Measures for Monterey Dusky-Footed Woodrat                                                                                                                                                                                                      |                  |      |
| 4.6-1k. 5. Clearance surveys were performed prior to work activities and impacts avoided?                                                                                                                                                                                          | Yes              |      |
| 4.6-1k. 6. If woodrat was observed, was date, time, species, location, and behavior noted?                                                                                                                                                                                         | N/A              |      |
| 4.6-1k. 7. If relocation was necessary, were the guidelines in the relocation plan followed?                                                                                                                                                                                       | N/A              |      |
| MM 4.6-1o - CRLF & CTS                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |                  |      |
| 4.6-1o. Avoidance and Minimization Measures for California Red-Legged Frog and California Tiger Salamander                                                                                                                                                                         |                  |      |
| 4.6-1o. 1. If California Red-legged Frog and California Tiger Salamander was observed, were the guidelines in the relocation plan followed and authorization from USFWS and CDFW obtained?                                                                                         | N/A              |      |
| 4.6-1k. 2. If California Red-legged Frog and California Tiger Salamander was observed, was date, time, species, location, and behavior noted?                                                                                                                                      | N/A              |      |
| MM 4.6-1p - INVASIVE PLANTS                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |                  |      |
| 4.6-1p. Control Measures for Spread of Invasive Plants                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |                  |      |
| 4.6-1p. 1. Driving or operating equipment was avoided in weed-infested areas outside of fenced work areas and travel was restricted to established roads?                                                                                                                          | Yes              |      |
| 4.6-1p. 2. Leaving exposed soil or construction materials in areas with the potential for invasive plants (e.g., in staging areas) was avoided?                                                                                                                                    | Yes              |      |
| 4.6-1p. 3. Tools, equipment, and vehicles were clean before transporting materials and before entering and leaving worksites (e.g., wheel washing stations at Project site access points)?                                                                                         | Yes              |      |
| 4.6-1p. 4. Vehicles and equipment were inspected for weed seeds and/or propagules stuck in tire treads or mud on the vehicle to minimize the risk of carrying them to unaffected areas?                                                                                            | Yes              |      |
| 4.6-1p. 5. Vehicles and equipment inspected prior to project initiation at applicable work areas for weed seeds and plant fragments that could colonize within the site or be transported to other sites?                                                                          | Yes              |      |
| 4.6-1p. 6. At project initiation, all construction vehicles were cleaned to remove soil and plant fragments at designated locations, and vehicles or equipment that were not clean were rejected until clear of weed seed and plant fragments?                                     | Yes              |      |
| 4.6-1p. 7. All equipment and tools involved in soil disturbance at applicable work areas were disinfected using a 10% bleach or 70% isopropyl alcohol solution prior to initial use or prior to returning to applicable work areas if used on another project site?                | Yes              |      |
| 4.6-1p. 8. Only certified, weed-free, plastic-free imported erosion control materials (or rice straw in upland areas) were used for the project?                                                                                                                                   | Yes              |      |

## Photos



11/18/2021 - Traffic control on Carmel Valley Road removed.



11/18/2021 - Trench shoring materials staged in tie in location.



11/18/2021 - Carmel Valley Road tie in location, staged trench shoring materials, erosion control BMPs.



11/18/2021 - Site conditions.

## **APPENDIX B**

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### **CPUC Inspection Logs**

**Monterey Peninsula Water Supply Project (MPWSP)****Daily Monitoring Log****Date:** 11/18/2021**Time:** 09:25 – 10:00**Report Code:** MPWSP\_20211118\_sd**Project Site:** Carmel Valley Pump Station**Compliance Level:**

Acceptable ☐    Level 0: Unanticipated Event ☐    Level 1: Minor Incident ☒  
Level 2: Moderate Incident ☐    Level 3: Major Incident ☐

**Compliance Advisory or  
Non-Compliance form attached**    Yes ☐  
No ☒

**Photo Documentation**    Yes ☒  
No ☐

**Type of Monitoring:**

Full-time ☐    Spot-check ☒    SWPPP inspection ☐  
Biological ☒    Re-inspection ☐

**Construction Activity(s) Being Monitored:**

- Electrical work within pump station.
- Denise Duffy & Associates (DD&A) compliance monitor on site.

**General Summary of Mitigation Compliance and Site Conditions:**

- Silt fence is in acceptable condition.
- Spoils stock pile is covered with Visqueen and protected with amphibian-friendly straw wattle.
- Amphibian-friendly BMPs remain installed along access road at pipeline connection point.
- Shoring staged in previously disturbed area at tie-in location.
- No hazardous materials storage issues observed.
- Minor compliance issue observed:
  - A small amount of food waste observed improperly disposed

Sharon Dulava  
**ESA Monitor**

11/18/2021  
**Date**



Photo 1. Shoring stored tie-in excavation.



Photo 2. Site Conditions



Photo 3. Site conditions. Spoils stock pile covered.



Photo 4. Silt fence in good condition.