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December 12, 2012

Regulatory Division

John Schatz
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Environmental Management Division
825 East Third Street
San Bernardino, California 92415-0835

DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY NATIONWIDE PERMIT VERIFICATION

Dear Mr. Schatz:

I am responding to your request (SPL-2012-00758-SLP) for a Department of the Army permit. Your proposed project, the Maple Lane Drainage and Sidewalk Improvements Project, would result in a discharge of fill material into waters of the United States. Therefore, pursuant to section 404 of the Clean Water Act (33 U.S.C. 1344; 33 C.F.R. parts 323 and 330), your proposed project requires a Department of the Army permit. The project is located within the city of Big Bear, San Bernardino County, California (as shown on the attached maps).

I have determined construction of Maple Lane Drainage Improvements Project complies with Nationwide Permit (NWP) No. 14: *Linear Transportation Projects*, if conducted as described in your application.

Specifically, and as shown on the attached Figures 1-5, you are authorized to conduct the following regulated activities:

- 1. Permanently impact up to 0.09 acre of non-wetland waters of the U.S. for the installation of 3 riprap splash pads (0.00658 acre), manhole covers (0.0012 acre), and a detention basin and spillway (0.078 acre);
- 2. Temporarily impact up to 0.32 acre of non-wetland waters of the U.S. for construction access and the installation of 1,230 linear feet of 48-inch pipeline and 100 linear feet of 24-inch pipeline.

For this verification letter to be valid, you must comply with all of the terms and conditions in Enclosure 1. Furthermore, you must comply with the following non-discretionary Special Conditions listed below:

1. Within 45 calendar days of completion of authorized work in waters of the U.S., the Permittee shall submit to the Corps Regulatory Division a post-project implementation memorandum including the following information:

- A) Date(s) work within waters of the U.S. was initiated and completed;
- B) Summary of compliance status with each special condition of this permit (including any noncompliance that previously occurred or is currently occurring and corrective actions taken or proposed to achieve compliance);
- C) Color photographs (including map of photopoints) taken at the project site before and after construction for those aspects directly associated with permanent impacts to waters of the U.S. such that the extent of authorized fills can be verified;
- D) One copy of "as built" drawings for the entire project. Electronic submittal (Adobe PDF format) is preferred. All sheets must be signed, dated, and to-scale. If submitting paper copies, sheets must be no larger than 11 x 17 inches; and
- E) Signed Certification of Compliance (attached as part of this permit package).
- 2. At the conclusion of the project, all temporary fill shall be removed and the area shall be restored to pre-construction conditions (contours and vegetated condition) to the maximum extent practicable. The Permittee shall hydroseed the disturbed portions of the earthen stream banks with native non-invasive vegetation of facultative upland (FACU) or wetter species, as appropriate. The Permittee shall submit the proposed planting palette for review and approval by the Corps, **prior to initiation of construction**. The Permittee shall ensure the hydroseeded areas are maintained and monitored for a period of two years after completing the seeding activities, such that less than 10 percent of the areas disturbed by the project are vegetated by non-native and invasive plant species. Monitoring reports shall be submitted by the Permittee to the Corps, by May 15th annually, one and two years following hydroseeding, documenting the recovery of the restored areas.
- 3. Pursuant to 36 C.F.R. Section 800.13, in the event of any discoveries during construction of either human remains, archeological deposits, or any other type of historic property, the Permittee shall notify the Corps' Archeology Staff within 24 hours (Steve Dibble at 213-452-3849 or John Killeen at 213-452-3861). The Permittee shall immediately suspend all work in any area(s) where potential cultural resources are discovered. The Permittee shall not resume construction in the area surrounding the potential cultural resources until the Corps Regulatory Division re-authorizes project construction, per 36 C.F.R. Section 800.13.

Your verification is valid through December 12, 2014. All NWPs will expire on March 18, 2017. It is incumbent upon you to remain informed of changes to the NWPs. A public notice of the change(s) will be issued when any of the NWPs are modified, reissued, or revoked. Furthermore, if you commence or are under contract to commence this activity before the date on which the relevant NWP is reissued, modified, or revoked, you will have twelve (12) months from the date of the reissuance, modification, or revocation of the NWP to complete the activity under the present terms and conditions of the relevant NWP.

A preliminary jurisdictional determination (JD) has been conducted to determine the extent of U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (Corps) geographic jurisdiction, upon which this NWP verification is based. A preliminary JD is advisory in nature and is a written indication Corps geographic jurisdiction may be present on a particular site, but is not appealable. An approved JD is an official Corps determination of the precisely identified limits of Corps geographic jurisdiction on a particular site, and is appealable. Should you wish to appeal an approved JD, you may request an administrative appeal under Corps regulations at 33 C.F.R. Part 331. Please

refer to the enclosed Notification of Appeal Process (NAP) fact sheet and Request for Appeal (RFA) form for more information.

A NWP does not grant any property rights or exclusive privileges. Additionally, it does not authorize any injury to the property, rights of others, nor does it authorize interference with any existing or proposed Federal project. Furthermore, it does not obviate the need to obtain other Federal, state, or local authorizations required by law.

Thank you for participating in our regulatory program. If you have any questions, please contact Shannon Pankratz at 213-452-3412 or via e-mail at Shannon.L.Pankratz@usace.army.mil.

Please be advised you can now comment on your experience with Regulatory Division by accessing the Corps web-based customer survey form at: http://per2.nwp.usace.army.mil/survey.html.

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Sincerely,

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Daniel P. Swenson, D. Env Chief, L.A. & San Bernardino Section North Coast Branch Regulatory Division

Enclosures



LOS ANGELES DISTRICT U.S. ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS

CERTIFICATE OF COMPLIANCE WITH DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY NATIONWIDE PERMIT

Permit Number: SPL-2012-00758-SLP

Name of Permittee: John Schatz, San Bernardino County Department of Public Works

Date of Issuance: December 12, 2012

Upon completion of the activity authorized by this permit and the mitigation required by this permit, sign this certificate, and return it to the following address:

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Los Angeles District

Regulatory Division

ATTN: CESPL-RG-SPL-2012-00758-SLP

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Please note your permitted activity is subject to a compliance inspection by an Army Corps of Engineers representative. If you fail to comply with this Nationwide Permit, you may be subject to permit suspension, modification, or revocation procedures as contained in 33 C.F.R. § 330.5 or enforcement procedures such as those contained in 33 C.F.R. §§ 326.4 and 326.5.

I hereby certify the work authorized by the above referenced permit has been completed in accordance with the terms and conditions of the said permit, and required mitigation was completed in accordance with the permit condition(s).

Signature of Permittee	Date	