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August 30, 2013

REPLY TO

ATTENTION OF:

Regulatory Division

Annesley Ignatius
San Bernardino County Department of Public Works
825 East Third Street
San Bernardino, California 92415

Dear Mr. Ignatius:

This is in reply to your application (File No. SPL-2013-00614-SLP) dated August 27, 2013, for a Department of the Army Permit to discharge fill material into waters of the U.S., in association with the WRDA Needles Highway Emergency Repairs Project. The proposed work would take place near the city of Needles, San Bernardino County, California (maps enclosed).

Based on the information you have provided, the Corps of Engineers has determined that your proposed activity complies with the terms and conditions of Regional General Permit (RGP) No. RGP063: *Emergency Authorizations*.

As long as you comply with the general permit conditions of RGP No. 063: *Emergency Authorizations*, an individual permit is not required.

Specifically, you are authorized to conduct the following regulated activities: temporarily impact up to 0.03 acre of non-wetland waters of the U.S. for replacing like-for-like the damaged section of Needles Highway and for a work area (up to 20-linear feet upstream and downstream) surrounding the same damaged Arizona road crossing.

Furthermore, you must comply with the following non-discretionary Special Conditions:

1. The work authorized by this RGP must be underway no later than seven (7) calendar days from date of issuance of this letter of verification. All work must be completed no later than **October 15, 2013**. If the Permittee is unable to complete the authorized work by

this date, the Permittee must request, in writing, an extension from the Corps Regulatory Division prior to the deadline.

2. As directed in Regional General Permit (RGP) No. 63, any work authorized by this RGP must be the minimum necessary to alleviate the immediate emergency, unless complete reconstruction does not result in significantly increased impacts to aquatic resources and logistical concerns indicate such reconstruction is as expedient considering the condition of the project site and is limited to in-kind replacement or refurbishment.

3. As directed in Regional General Permit (RGP) No. 63, you shall provide a written report to this office (within 45 days of completing the project) after completion of any action conducted under this RGP. **PROVIDING THIS REPORT IS MANDATORY.** At a minimum the Report shall include the following:

A) The name, address, and telephone number of the applicant and the applicant's agent (if appropriate)

B) Full description of the activity including:

i) description of the emergency and the potential for loss of life or property

ii) purpose of the activity

iii) final goal of the entire activity

iv) location (e.g., latitude/longitude or UTM coordinates; section/township/range on appropriate USGS topographic map; Thomas Guide map, or other source to accurately portray project location)

v) size and description of project area (include maps or drawings showing the areal and lineal extent of the project, and pre- and post-construction photographs)

vi) quantities of materials used

C) information on receiving waterbody impacted including:

i) name of waterbody

ii) type of receiving waterbody (e.g., river/streambed, lake/reservoir, ocean/estuary/bay, riparian area, wetland type, etc.)

iii) temporary/permanent adverse impact(s) in acres/cubic yards/linear feet

iv) compensatory mitigation in acres/cubic yards/linear feet

v) other mitigation steps (to avoid, minimize, compensate)

D) information on federally listed or proposed endangered species or designated or proposed critical habitat (notification must be provided to FWS and/or NMFS as appropriate) including:

i) temporary/permanent adverse impacts

ii) compensatory mitigation

iii) other mitigation steps (to avoid, minimize, compensate)

4. No later than one month following completion of authorized work in waters of the U.S., the Permittee shall ensure all sites within waters of the U.S. subject to authorized, temporary impacts are restored to pre-project alignments, elevation contours, and

conditions to the maximum extent practicable to ensure expeditious resumption of aquatic resource functions. No later than 45 calendar days following completion of authorized work in waters of the U.S., the permittee shall submit a memorandum documenting compliance with this special condition.

A general permit does not grant any property rights or exclusive privileges. Also, it does not authorize any injury to the property or rights of others or 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 that 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>.

Sincerely,

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