



Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board

California Environmental Quality Act Notice of Determination in compliance with Section 21008 or 21152 of the Public Resources Code

To: Office of Planning and Research
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From: California Regional Water Quality Control Board
Central Valley Region, Redding Office
364 Knollcrest Drive, Suite 205
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Date: 11 February 2026

State Clearinghouse Number:
2023120789

Project Title:
Hicks Lane Towing Business Development Project (WDID No. 5A04CR00385)

Project Location - Specific:
The project is located on Hicks Lane in Chico, Butte County, California.
The Project coordinates are as follows:
Latitude: 39.7881° and Longitude: -121.8699°

Project Location - County:
Butte County

Name of Applicant:
Greg Howell
19 Top Flight Court
Chico, CA 95928

Description of Nature, Purpose, and Beneficiaries of Project:
The project proposes the development of an approximately 11.1-acre parcel. Development plans include clearing and grubbing of 1.85 acres for the construction of an asphalt driveway approach (within county right-of-way), gravel driveway, parking area, storage yard, and office building. Proposed utilities include a groundwater well, electric service, wastewater holding tank, and a future solar array. Site development will permanently impact a total of 0.13 acre of waters of the state, including the permanent fill of 0.11 acre of seasonal wetland swales and indirect impacts to 0.02 acre of a seasonal wetland swale.

NICHOLAS AVDIS, CHAIR | PATRICK PULUPA, EXECUTIVE OFFICER

Name of Public Agency Approving Project:

This is to advise that the Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board, as Responsible Agency, has approved the above-described project on 11 February 2026 and has made the following determinations regarding the above-described project:

1. The Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board considered the Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration as prepared by the Butte County Board of Supervisors.
2. The Project will not have a significant effect on the environment.
3. Mitigation measures were made a condition of the approval of the project.
4. A mitigation reporting or monitoring plan was adopted for this project.
5. A Statement of Overriding Considerations was not adopted for this project.
6. Findings were made pursuant to the provisions of CEQA.

The Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration /Environmental Impact Report is available to the general public at: <https://ceqanet.lci.ca.gov/2023120789> (<https://ceqanet.lci.ca.gov/2023120789>).

The record of project approval is available to the general public at: [Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board's Adopted Orders Web page](https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/centralvalley/board_decisions/adopted_orders/401_wq_certs/) (https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/centralvalley/board_decisions/adopted_orders/401_wq_certs/).

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