



DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY  
U.S. ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS LOS ANGELES DISTRICT

March 24, 2026

SUBJECT: Nationwide Permit (NWP) Verification

Ventura County Public Works Agency  
Attn: Anitha Balan  
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Ventura, California 93009-0002  
[anitha.balan@venturacounty.gov](mailto:anitha.balan@venturacounty.gov)

Dear Ms. Balan:

I am responding to your request dated July 22, 2025, for a Department of the Army (DA) permit for your proposed project, Lockwood Valley Road Emergency Repairs (File No. SPL-2025-00482). The proposed project is located along Lockwood Valley Road, approximately 30 miles north of the City of Ventura, in Ventura County, California (Latitude 34.69536°, Longitude -119.32900°).

Because this project would result in a discharge of fill material into waters of the U.S., a Department of the Army permit is required pursuant to Section 404 of the Clean Water Act (33 USC 1344; 33 CFR parts 323 and 330).

I have determined construction of your proposed project, if constructed as described in your application, would comply with NWP 14 *Linear Transportation Projects*. Specifically, and as shown in the enclosed plans, you are authorized to permanently fill 0.08 acres of the Cuyama River for the placement of a rock rip-rap revetment with a buried rock toe, and to temporarily fill 0.09 acres of the Cuyama River for the installation of a water diversion system, for the purpose of reconstructing and repairing a segment of Lockwood Valley Road.

For this NWP verification letter to be valid, you must comply with all of the terms and conditions in Enclosure 2. Furthermore, you must comply with the non-discretionary Special Conditions listed below:

1. Within 30 days of completion of the authorized work, you must sign and return the enclosed Certificate of Compliance (in accordance with General Condition 30).
2. The Permittee shall comply with the terms and conditions of the enclosed Clean Water Act Section 401 Water Quality Certification (WQC) No. 35625WQ01 dated February 20, 2026.

This verification is valid through March 15, 2031. If on March 15, 2031, you have commenced or are under contract to commence the permitted activity you will have an additional twelve (12) months to complete the activity under the present NWP terms and conditions. However, if I discover noncompliance or unauthorized activities associated with the permitted activity I may request the use of discretionary authority in accordance with procedures in 33 CFR part 330.4(e) and 33 CFR part 330.5(c) or (d) to modify, suspend, or revoke this specific verification at an earlier date. Additionally, at the national level the Chief of Engineers, any time prior to March 15, 2031, may choose to modify, suspend, or revoke the nationwide use of a NWP after following procedures set forth in 33 CFR part 330.5. It is incumbent upon you to comply with all of the terms and conditions of this NWP verification and to remain informed of any change to the NWPs.

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 Mr. Christopher Link at 916-798-6056 or via email at [christopher.m.link@usace.army.mil](mailto:christopher.m.link@usace.army.mil). Please help me to evaluate and improve the regulatory experience for others by completing the customer survey form at <https://regulatory.ops.usace.army.mil/customer-service-survey/>.

Sincerely,

Kathy Norton  
Senior Project Manager  
South Pacific Division

Enclosures

cc: (w/ encls)

Ms. April Woods, Central Coast Regional Water Quality Control Board,  
[april.woods@waterboards.ca.gov](mailto:april.woods@waterboards.ca.gov)

Mr. Tyler Barns, Rincon, [tbarns@rinconconsultants.com](mailto:tbarns@rinconconsultants.com)

<p>U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE)</p> <p><b>CERTIFICATION OF COMPLIANCE WITH DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY PERMIT</b></p> <p>For use of this form, see Section 404 of the Clean Water Act, Section 10 of the Rivers and Harbors Act of 1899, and Section 103 of the Marine Protection, Research, and Sanctuaries Act; the proponent agency is CECW-COR.</p>	<p><i>Form Approved -</i></p> <p><i>OMB No. 0710-0003</i></p> <p><i>Expires 2027-10-31</i></p>
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**PURPOSE:** This form is used by recipients of U.S. Army Corps of Engineer Regulatory permits to certify compliance with the permit terms and conditions.

Your permitted activity is subject to a compliance inspection by a U.S. Army Corps of Engineers representative. If you fail to comply with this permit, you are subject to permit suspension, modification, or revocation.

Upon completion of the activity authorized by this permit and any mitigation required by the permit, sign this certification and return it to the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Los Angeles District, Regulatory Office. Link to fillable form:  
[https://www.publications.usace.army.mil/Portals/76/Eng\\_Form\\_6285\\_2024%20Dec%20FINAL.pdf](https://www.publications.usace.army.mil/Portals/76/Eng_Form_6285_2024%20Dec%20FINAL.pdf)

The certification can be submitted by email at [christopher.m.link@usace.army.mil](mailto:christopher.m.link@usace.army.mil) or [CESPL-REG@usace.army.mil](mailto:CESPL-REG@usace.army.mil)

Upon completion of the activity authorized by this permit and any mitigation required by the permit, sign this certification and return it to the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Los Angeles District, Regulatory Office. (Please do not send hard copies unless coordinated with the Corps Project Manager).

Corps Action Number:	SPL-2025-00482
Permit Type:	NWP 14 Linear Transportation Projects
General Permit Number and Name (if applicable):	NWP 14 Linear Transportation Projects
Name of Permittee:	Anitha Balan, Ventura County Public Works Agency
Project Name:	Lockwood Valley Road Emergency Repairs Project
Project Location (physical address):	Along Lockwood Valley Road, approximately 30 miles north of the City of Ventura, in Ventura County, California (Latitude 34.69536°, Longitude -119.32900°).

**PERMITTEE'S CERTIFICATION**

Date Work Started: \_\_\_\_\_

Date Work Completed: \_\_\_\_\_

Enclose photographs showing the completed project (if available).

I \_\_\_\_\_ hereby certify that the work authorized by the above referenced permit has been completed in accordance with all of the permit terms and conditions, and that any required compensatory mitigation has been completed in accordance with the permit conditions.

Name	Date	Signature
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