



County of Sonoma

State of California

Date: August 4, 2026

Item Number: _____

Resolution Number: _____

☒ 4/5 Vote Required

**Resolution Of The Board Of Supervisors Of The County Of Sonoma, State Of California,
Finding the Project Exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), Issuing A
Permit And Permit Extensions Pursuant To Article II Of Chapter 23 of the Sonoma County
Code To Valarie Pierce For The Project Undertaken To Stabilize Eroding Streambank Along
Calabazas Creek at 1200 Nuns Canyon Rd, Glen Ellen.**

Whereas, Chapter 23 requires that an application for a permit be filed with the Board of Supervisors prior to the performance of certain prescribed work or operations in a river, stream, or channel which may decrease the clarity of a river or stream; and

Whereas, an application was filed under ROI26-0002 by Valarie Pierce (Applicant) for a roiling permit associated with the Pierce Bank Stabilization Project along Calabazas Creek; and

Whereas, this project will stabilize approximately 82 feet of streambank along Calabazas Creek to protect an existing residence from erosion and flooding. Work includes installing bioengineered bank stabilization measures, enhancing riparian vegetation, and constructing a small berm to provide additional flood protection.

Whereas, Permit Sonoma has approved a Use Permit, UPE25-0078, for the project as detailed in the application form, the project description, and the site plan submitted to this department. As a condition of approval, the applicant is required to apply for and obtain all applicable permits necessary for project implementation, including this roiling permit; and

Whereas, the San Francisco Bay Regional Water Quality Control Board issued a Notice of

Applicability providing coverage under Clean Water Act Section 401 General Water Quality Certification for Small Habitat Restoration Projects (File No. SB12006GN); and

Whereas, the proposed project is categorically exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) under CEQA Guidelines, Title 14 California Code of Regulations Section 15333 (Small Habitat Restoration Projects) because the project is for habitat enhancement and streambank stabilization and will not exceed five acres. No exceptions listed under Guidelines Section 153000.2 apply to this exemption and there is no possibility that the project would have a significant effect on the environment; and

Whereas, the Board of Supervisors has reviewed said application and considered all information in the record; and

Whereas, the work requires greater than 30 days to complete, as described in the application; and

Whereas, Chapter 23 includes a restriction to perform permitted activities within a period of 30 days, except that additional 30-day permit periods may be granted by the Board of Supervisors; and

Whereas, roiling permits and extensions require a 4/5ths vote of the Board of Supervisors.

Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved

1. That the foregoing recitals are true and correct; and
2. That the Board has reviewed and considered the information contained in the Notice of Exemption(NOE) and finds that, the project is categorically exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) under CEQA Guidelines, Title 14 California Code of Regulations Section 15333 (Small Habitat Restoration Projects) because the project is for habitat enhancement and streambank stabilization and will not exceed five acres. No exceptions listed under Guidelines Section 153000.2 apply to this exemption and there is no possibility that the project would have a significant effect

on the environment; and

3. That the Board of Supervisors finds and determines that the work and operations described on said application is necessary and that the work and operations will be performed in a manner which will not unreasonably decrease the clarity of the waters of the rivers or streams of the County of Sonoma; and
4. That the Board of Supervisors finds and determines that the work and operations shall be performed in the manner described in the application and in accordance with the terms and conditions imposed by the State Water Resources Control Board, the California Department of Fish and Wildlife, and the Regional Water Quality Control Board.
5. That the Board of Supervisors, based on the above findings and determinations and the entire record of proceedings in this matter, hereby approves the application requested by Applicant for a roiling permit associated with the Pierce Bank Stabilization Project along Calabazas Creek, subject to the conditions stated herein. The Director of Permit Sonoma, or designee, is authorized to issue a written permit to do the work described in the application and NOE, consistent with this Resolution. The work shall be performed in accordance with conditions of approval, and all applicable provisions of law and the Sonoma County Code, including but not limited to Sonoma County Code § 23-3.
6. Permit extensions are hereby granted to the Applicant to perform the work described herein for additional 30-day periods commencing on or about September 15, 2026, for one or more periods ending no later than October 15, 2026, subject to the Director of Permit Sonoma confirming the need for the extension.
7. The Board of Supervisors designates the Clerk of the Board as the custodian of the documents and other material that together constitute the record of proceedings upon which the decision herein is based. These documents may be found at the office of the Clerk of the Board, 575 Administration Drive, Room 100-A, Santa Rosa, California 95403.

Supervisors:

Rabbitt:	Coursey:	Gore:	Hopkins:	Hermosillo:
Ayes:	Noes:	Absent:	Abstain:	

So Ordered.