

active bird nests, identify measures to protect the nests, and locate any other special status species. The pre-construction survey shall be conducted no more than 14 days prior to the implementation of construction activities (including staging and equipment storage). Any special status species shall not be disturbed unless under the direction provided by a qualified biologist. If an active nest is found during construction, disturbance should not occur until young have fledged or under the direction provided by a qualified biologist.

Section 404/401 Permit Compliance. Prior to construction, the County shall apply for and obtain a U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Section 404 CWA permit for proposed impacts to a water of the U.S., including applicable permits from the state of California, including a Section 401 permit from the Lahontan Regional Water Quality Control Board and California Department of Fish and Game Code Section 1602 (Lake or Streambed Alteration Agreement), if applicable. These permit applications establish appropriate mitigation measures that protect against significant impacts to waters of the U.S., waters of the State, and their associated habitats.

Geology and Soils -

Stream Environment Zone (SEZ) Restoration Credit for New Trail Disturbance. Under the provisions of the Regional Plan Update, TRPA exempts certain trails from land coverage calculations. However, compliance with the Lahontan Basin Plan requires new disturbance in SEZ meeting certain criteria to be offset with SEZ restoration at a 1:1.5 ratio. To mitigate the impact to SEZ, the County will first look for existing SEZ land coverage or disturbance in the Project vicinity that can be restored and permanently protected. If there is insufficient SEZ restoration potential in the Project vicinity, the County will utilize SEZ restoration credits from projects previously restored and banked. These projects, or others eligible at the time of final Project approvals, include:

- El Dorado County's Angora Creek Stream Environment Zone Restoration Project (38°52'53.8" N, 120°02'08.8" W) – up to 257,396 sf (5.91 acres) of restoration available from implementation of this project.

These restoration projects, or others as approved, include successful soil and habitat restoration that are expected to offset floodplain and wetland disturbance as well as the TRPA and Lahontan required SEZ disturbance. If needed for this Project, a wetland delineation for the restoration projects will be completed and will determine the amount and type of wetland restoration/credit that is available, should it be needed for the San Bernardino Bike Trail Project permitting.