

Restoration Management Permit (RMP) Application Requirements

CHAPTER 6.7. Restoration Management Permit Act

1673. (a) The department may develop a permit application for restoration management permits. When applying for a restoration management permit, an applicant may propose protective measures contained within existing local, state, or federal agency authorizations for the applicant's project or related documents to assist the department with developing restoration management permits that maximize consistency with other agency authorizations to the extent practicable.

(b) An application for a restoration management permit shall include all of the following:

- (1) The appropriate application fee, if any, not to exceed the department's reasonable costs, as determined by the department.
- (2) The full name, mailing address, email address, and telephone number of the applicant. If the applicant is a corporation, firm, partnership, association, institution, or public or private agency, the name and address of the applicant, in addition to the name and address of the person responsible for the project.
- (3) The project name and location, including latitude and longitude centroid in decimal degrees, and a project map.
- (4) The estimated or desired project start and end dates.
- (5) A detailed description of the project activities and desired outcomes, including, but not limited to, restoration plans and drawings.
- (6) A detailed description of the area where the project will be carried out, including the project size, habitat types, and biological setting.
- (7) A description of the department authorization or authorizations described in Section 1672 that the applicant is seeking for the project.
- (8) A detailed description of baseline conditions for all areas that may be affected by the project.
- (9) A detailed description of how the project satisfies the definition of qualifying restoration project set forth in Section 1671, including a detailed description of the expected benefit to native fish, wildlife, plants, or their habitat, or any combination thereof, above baseline conditions.
- (10) If the applicant is seeking one or more take authorizations pursuant to Section 1672, the applicant shall provide all of the following:
 - (A) A list of species for which the applicant is seeking one or more take authorizations.
 - (B) A detailed description of the types of species take, including pursue, catch, capture, or kill, and the mechanisms by which species take would occur.

(C) An estimate of the number of individuals that would be taken, based on population numbers, or a proxy estimate based on the amount of suitable habitat, for each species for which the applicant is seeking one or more take authorizations.

(D) Species protection measures proposed by the applicant to minimize the impacts of the potential take, including any measures required or expected to be required in other approvals or permits.

(11) If the applicant is seeking an authorization pursuant to Section 1672 for activities that would otherwise be subject to Section 1602, the applicant shall provide all of the following:

(A) A detailed description of anticipated temporary and permanent impacts to any affected river, stream, or lake.

(B) Proposed feasible measures to protect any river, stream, or lake and to minimize project impacts, including any measures required or expected to be required in other approvals or permits.

(12) A copy of any other federal, state, or local permit or agreement already issued for the project.

(13) Copies of any final documents prepared for the project pursuant to Division 13 (commencing with Section 21000) of the Public Resources Code, including, but not limited to, environmental impact reports, mitigated negative declarations, negative declarations, notices of determination, and notices of exemption.

(14) Any other information the department determines to be necessary.

*Pursuant to Fish and Game Code section 1677, the department shall not issue a Restoration Management Permit for *the design, construction, operation, mitigation, or maintenance of isolated Delta conveyance facilities*. We therefore also recommend providing a statement with the application certifying that none of the prohibitions in section 1677 apply to the project.