

Los Angeles Regional Water Quality Control Board

July 16, 2026

Via Email Only

Permittees of the Marina del Rey Watershed Management Program Group¹

DISAPPROVAL OF PROPOSED SCHEDULE EXTENSION IN THE MARINA DEL REY WATERSHED MANAGEMENT PROGRAM, PURSUANT TO THE REGIONAL PHASE I MUNICIPAL SEPARATE STORM SEWER SYSTEM (MS4) WASTE DISCHARGE REQUIREMENTS AND NATIONAL POLLUTANT DISCHARGE ELIMINATION SYSTEM (NPDES) PERMIT FOR THE LOS ANGELES REGION (NPDES PERMIT NO. CAS004004; ORDER NO. R4-2021-0105)

Dear Permittees of the Marina del Rey Watershed Management Program Group (Group):

The Group implements the Marina del Rey Channel Watershed Management Program (MdR WMP) under the Regional Phase I MS4 Permit, Order No. R4-2021-0105 (Order). The MdR WMP was approved on February 6, 2023.

On March 10, 2026, the Group submitted to the Los Angeles Regional Water Quality Control Board (Los Angeles Water Board) a WMP modification request as part of the Adaptive Management Process (AMP) per Part IX.C and Part IX.E of Order.

On April 10, 2026, the Los Angeles Water Board provided public notice and a 30-day period to allow for public review and comment on the Group's proposed modifications to the approved WMP. No comments were received during the review period.

Concurrently with the public review, the Los Angeles Water Board reviewed the proposed modifications to the approved MdR WMP. In Section 5 of the AMP, the Group mainly proposes to add a new structural BMP project. Additionally, the Group proposes to modify the implementation schedule for some of the currently proposed structural control measures. The proposed modification would extend the schedule beyond the final compliance deadlines of TMDLs applicable to the Group that are identified in Attachment O of the Order. Pursuant to Part IX.C.3 and Part IX.E.2 of the Order, Permittees cannot extend a final compliance deadline established in a TMDL through a WMP modification request. Instead, pursuant to Part X.E of the Order, a Time Schedule Order (TSO) is required. Therefore, the WMP modification request will not be granted.

¹ Permittees of the Marina del Rey Watershed Management Program Group include the County of Los Angeles, the Los Angeles County Flood Control District (LACFCD), and the cities of Los Angeles and Culver City.

However, on March 23, 2026, the Group, excluding the City of Los Angeles, submitted TSO requests to implement the proposed control measures with an extended schedule to attain compliance with the past-due final limitations of the applicable TMDLs. These TSO requests are currently under review.

If you have any questions, please contact Harumi Goya of the Municipal Stormwater Permitting Unit at Harumi.Goya@waterboards.ca.gov or by phone at (213) 620-2283. Alternatively, you may also contact Erum Razzak, Municipal Stormwater Permitting Unit Supervisor, by email at Erum.Razzak@waterboards.ca.gov or by phone at (213) 620-2095.

Sincerely,

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