

Los Angeles Regional Water Quality Control Board

November 23, 2015

Permittees of the Santa Monica Bay Jurisdictional Group 2 and 3 EWMP Group¹
(See Distribution List)

FINAL APPROVED SANTA MONICA BAY JURISDICTIONAL GROUP 2 AND 3 EWMP GROUP'S COORDINATED INTEGRATED MONITORING PROGRAM, PURSUANT TO ATTACHMENT E, PART IV.B OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY MUNICIPAL SEPARATE STORM SEWER SYSTEM (MS4) PERMIT (NPDES PERMIT NO. CAS004001; ORDER NO. R4-2012-0175)

Dear Permittees of the Santa Monica Bay Jurisdictional Group 2 and 3 EWMP Group:

The Los Angeles Regional Water Quality Control Board (Los Angeles Water Board or Board) has reviewed the final monitoring program submitted on August 10, 2015 by the Santa Monica Bay Jurisdictional Group 2 and 3 EWMP Group (Group). This monitoring program was submitted pursuant to the provisions of NPDES Permit No. CAS004001 (Order No. R4-2012-0175), which authorizes discharges from the municipal separate storm sewer system (MS4) operated by 86 municipal Permittees within Los Angeles County (hereafter, LA County MS4 Permit). The LA County MS4 Permit allows Permittees the option to develop and implement a coordinated integrated monitoring program (CIMP) that achieves the five Primary Objectives set forth in Part II.A of Attachment E and includes the elements set forth in Part II.E of Attachment E. These programs must be approved by the Executive Officer of the Los Angeles Water Board.

On July 10, 2015, on behalf of the Los Angeles Water Board, I approved, with conditions, the Group's CIMP. My approval letter directed the Group to submit a final CIMP that satisfies all the conditions listed in the letter no later than August 10, 2015. On August 10, 2015, the Group submitted its final CIMP, as directed. On November 12, 2015, the Group submitted a revised final CIMP to address minor corrections.

After review of the Group's revised final CIMP submitted on November 12, 2015, I have determined that the Group's CIMP satisfies all of the conditions identified in my July 10, 2015 approval letter. The CIMP submitted on November 12, 2015 hereby constitutes the final approved CIMP for the Group. Additional direction on requirements for follow-up monitoring when aquatic toxicity is present in downstream receiving waters has been provided in separate

¹ Permittees of the Santa Monica Bay Jurisdictional Group 2 and 3 EWMP Group CIMP include County of Los Angeles, Los Angeles County Flood Control District, and the Cities of El Segundo, Los Angeles, and Santa Monica.

correspondence dated August 7, 2015, and must be followed as part of the Group's final approved CIMP.

Santa Monica Bay Nearshore Debris TMDL

Requirements for the Santa Monica Bay Nearshore and Offshore Debris TMDL (SMB Debris TMDL) can be satisfied through the submittal of the Trash Monitoring and Reporting Plan (TMRP) and Plastic Pellet Monitoring and Reporting Plan (PMRP) or via the CIMP. The Board approves the City of El Segundo and the City of Los Angeles PMRP exemption requests. Members of the Group with an approved PMRP exemption, must document the Approved Exemption in the Annual Report. Members with an Approved Exemption must notify the Regional Board upon the discovery of any new industrial facilities that have an SIC code that corresponds to the manufacturing, handling, or transportation of plastic pellets which will result in the revocation of the approval. Additionally, the Board approves the TMRP for the City of Los Angeles and directs the City to begin implementation of the TMRP immediately.

The Los Angeles Water Board appreciates the participation and cooperation of the Group in the implementation of the LA County MS4 Permit. If you have any questions, please contact Ms. Erum Razzak of the Storm Water Permitting Unit by electronic mail at Erum.Razzak@waterboards.ca.gov or by phone at (213) 620-2095. Alternatively, you may also contact Mr. Ivar Ridgeway, Storm Water Permitting, at Ivar.Ridgeway@waterboards.ca.gov or by phone at (213) 620-2150.

Sincerely,



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