



COUNTY OF ORANGE

RESOURCES & DEVELOPMENT MANAGEMENT DEPARTMENT

Construction General
Permit - Stormwater
Deadline: 5/4/07 5pm

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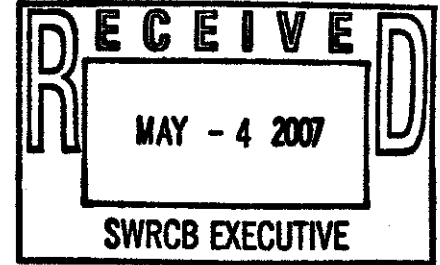
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By Email and U.S. Mail

Ms. Song Her, Clerk to the Board
State Water Resources Control Board
1001 I Street, 24th Floor
Sacramento, CA 95814




Subject: Comments on the March 2007 Preliminary Draft Construction General Permit

Dear Ms. Her and Members of the Board:

Thank you for the opportunity to provide comments on the Preliminary Draft Construction General Permit. The County of Orange (County) appreciates the efforts of the State Water Resources Control Board to receive written comments as well as hold public workshops with stakeholders on the Preliminary Draft. The County is subject to two Phase I Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System (MS4) Permits (Santa Ana and San Diego Region) which both include prescriptive requirements for construction activities as well as development planning. As a large municipal agency responsible for building regional road and flood control facilities as well as improving existing infrastructure, the substantial changes to the Construction General Permit as proposed in the Preliminary Draft would have a significant impact on the County. The County has participated in a California Stormwater Quality Association (CASQA) coordinated review of the Preliminary Draft and supports the comments outlined in the CASQA letter.

Thank you for your attention to our concerns. Please contact Grant Sharp at (714)973-6691 if you have any questions.

Sincerely,


Bryan Speegle, Director
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