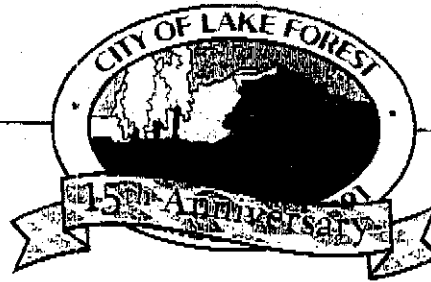


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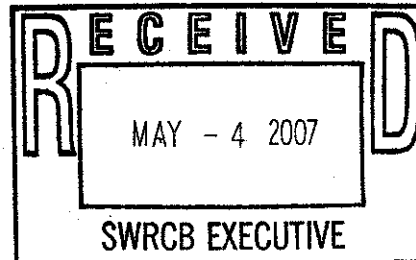
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Re: Comment Letter - Draft Construction Permit; State Water Resources Control Board Order No. 2007-XX-DWQ National Pollution Discharge Elimination System General Permit No. CAR000002

Dear Ms. Her, State Board members and staff:

The City of Lake Forest (City) is a residential community in south Orange County, California. The City is a Copermittee on Large MS4 Permits issued by both the San Diego and Santa Ana Regional Water Quality Control Boards. As a Large MS4 Copermittee, the City jurisdiction includes inputs into its MS4 system, and as such, is very concerned about potential inputs from construction sites. The City therefore has a strong interest in the latest draft of the General Construction Storm Water Permit (State Board Order No. 2007-XX-DWQ [Permit]).

The City has reviewed the Permit and applauds the State Board's attempts to increase the level of water quality protection at construction sites statewide. The City is also aware that the California Stormwater Quality Association (CASQA) has drafted, and plans to submit, a letter chronicling the association's observations and concerns about the first draft of the Permit. Having had the opportunity to review CASQA's letter, the City believes that it adequately captures all of the City's concerns with the current draft of the Permit. The City therefore fully endorses CASQA's comments and respectfully requests that the State Board view CASQA's comments in light of the City's endorsement.

The City appreciates your attention to our comments and intends them to be a constructive part of the ongoing, open dialogue between the public and the State Board. Such a dialog is necessary to the development of an efficient and effective Permit. The City is committed to the goal of water quality improvement, and wants to work with the State Board to achieve that goal. To that end, if you should have any questions regarding this letter, or the City's comments on the Permit, please do not hesitate to contact me, or the City's Water Quality Specialist, Devin Slaven, at (949) 461-3480.

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