5/20/08 Bd Mtg. Item 5
Calleguas Creek TMDL
Deadline: 5/8/08 by 12 p.m.



## A COOPERATIVE STRATEGY FOR RESOURCE MANAGEMENT & PROTECTION

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State Water Resources Control Board 1001 I Street Sacramento, CA 95814 Attn: Jeanine Townsend



Transmitted as pdf file attachment to e-mail, <u>commentletters@waterboards.ca.gov</u>, with subject line "Comment Letter – Calleguas Creek Salts TMDL."

## Support for Calleguas Creek Watershed Salts TMDL

Dear Ms. Townsend:

The Calleguas Creek Watershed Management Plan (CCWMP) Steering Committee appreciates the opportunity to provide comments on the *Calleguas Creek Watershed Boron, Chloride, Sulfate and TDS TMDL* (Salts TMDL). As part of the CCWMP stakeholder process, we were involved in development of the Salts TMDL through a collaborative process with Los Angeles Regional Water Quality Control Board staff. We feel the process serves as a good model for the development of other TMDLs in the future.

We are submitting these comments to provide full support for the approval of the Salts TMDL. We feel that the TMDL appropriately protects the beneficial uses in the Calleguas Creek watershed while allowing the flexibility needed by the responsible parties to address the complex issues associated with addressing salts. Additionally, we feel that the TMDL provides opportunities to maximize the watershed's water resources while improving local water quality. We feel strongly that the State Water Board should approve the Salt TMDL.

Should you have any questions regarding this letter, you may contact me by phone at (805) 579-7111 or by e-mail at <a href="mailto:dkendall@calleguas.com">dkendall@calleguas.com</a>. Thank you for your consideration.

Very truly yours,

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