

## State Water Resources Control Board

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Dear Ms. Hayat, and Messrs. Cooper, Pugsley, and Unger,

**PETITION OF NATURAL RESOURCES DEFENSE COUNCIL, HEAL THE BAY, AND LOS ANGELES WATERKEEPER FOR REVIEW OF APPROVAL OF WATERSHED MANAGEMENT PROGRAMS PURSUANT TO THE LOS ANGELES REGIONAL WATER QUALITY CONTROL BOARD ORDER R4-2012-0175: COMPLETE PETITION (30-DAY RESPONSE)  
SWRCB/OCC FILE A-2386**

The above-referenced petition is complete and the State Water Resources Control Board (State Water Board) will begin its review.

The Los Angeles Water Quality Control Board (Los Angeles Water Board) and other interested persons may file a written response to the petition, filed May 28, 2015, and to the petition addendum, filed October 30, 2015. Responses are due within 30 days of the date of this letter, addressed to my attention. In addition, all responses must be sent to the Petitioners at the addresses listed above, to the Los Angeles Water Board, and to the Permittees listed in Attachment A.<sup>1</sup> Please also copy all persons listed on the cc list below. Electronic submissions and copies are strongly encouraged. Copies of the petition are available at the State Water Board web site at:

[http://www.swrcb.ca.gov/public\\_notices/petitions/water\\_quality/a2386\\_losangeles\\_wmp.shtml](http://www.swrcb.ca.gov/public_notices/petitions/water_quality/a2386_losangeles_wmp.shtml).

The Los Angeles Water Board is requested to file the administrative record (copied on both sides) within this 30-day period. The Los Angeles Water Board is encouraged to file the administrative record electronically (e.g., on compact disc or flash drive) if feasible.

<sup>1</sup> Permittees listed on Attachment A are those permittees participating in the challenged watershed management programs.

The administrative record to be filed by the Los Angeles Water Board constitutes the evidentiary record for the State Water Board's review of the petition. Any person requesting that the State Water Board consider evidence that was not part of the administrative record before the Los Angeles Water Board must do so in accordance with California Code of Regulations, title 23, section 2050.6.

*Prohibition on Ex Parte Communications*

The matters addressed by the petition are subject to the prohibition on ex parte communications.<sup>2</sup> Interested persons, therefore, may not communicate with State Water Board members regarding the above questions except through submission of timely written comments and through oral comments at any future workshop and meetings.

*Future Correspondence*

**IN ALL FUTURE CORRESPONDENCE, PLEASE REFER TO  
SWRCB/OCC FILE A-2386  
AND SUBMIT COPIES TO  
PETITIONERS, THE LOS ANGELES WATER BOARD, & PERMITTEES LISTED IN  
ATTACHMENT A**

**Future correspondence regarding this matter will be sent in hard copy only to the addressees of this letter. Permittees and interested persons (including those who received this letter via e-mail) will not receive future correspondence unless they either (1) subscribe to the electronic mailing list named "A-2386 NRDC, Los Angeles Waterkeeper and Heal the Bay [R4-2012-0175]" under "Legal Notices" on the internet at [http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/resources/email\\_subscriptions/swrcb\\_subscribe.shtml](http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/resources/email_subscriptions/swrcb_subscribe.shtml) to receive future correspondence via e-mail or (2) request to receive future correspondence in hard copy by writing to Adrianna M. Crowl at the Office of Chief Counsel at the address in the letterhead above. You should act as soon as possible to ensure you receive all items of future correspondence.**

The Petitioners may not file a response to the petition. Additional submissions regarding this petition will only be allowed upon written request and approval of such requests is at the discretion of this Board.

If you have any questions regarding this letter, please contact me at (916) 341-5173 or [ryan.mallory-jones@waterboards.ca.gov](mailto:ryan.mallory-jones@waterboards.ca.gov).

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