
centralcoast - Fw: Draft Permit Standards

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Dear Water Board Representatives,

It is with great concern that I have seen the continued development of storm water standards that are unrealistic and unachievable. I first saw the introduction of proposed standards in 1992 at the Monterey County Mayors' Committee Meeting. The onerous portions of the requirements were strongly opposed at that time. It is unreasonable that the Water Board has continued to develop and implement these regulations in light of the opposition by California cities, counties, businesses and communities.

The proposed standards are so restrictive that they actually impede the environmental reuse of existing sites, which has long been a meaningful way to reduce development into undeveloped open space. The proposed storm water standards appear to have been developed in a "vacuum" with no regard to other environmental considerations, beyond storm water, or economic impacts.

I urge you to reconsider your Draft Permit Standards and revise them to a more realistic level that will be compatible with existing environmental and community standards and take into account the economic impact, which has recently been required of new regulations.

Sincerely,
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Mayor Carmelita Garcia

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