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BALLONA CREEK, BALLONA ESTUARY AND SEPULVEDA CHANNEL BACTERIA TOTAL MAXIMUM DAILY LOAD (TMDL) COORDINATED MONITORING PLAN SUBMITTAL

Dear Ms. Egoscue:

Attached is our submittal of the Coordinated Monitoring Plan (CMP) on behalf of the Monitoring Plan Sub-committee for the Ballona Creek, Ballona Estuary and Sepulveda Channel Bacterial TMDL that became effective on April 27, 2007. The Sub-committee consists of the Cities of Los Angeles, Culver City, Inglewood, Beverly Hills, West Hollywood, Santa Monica, and the County of Los Angeles and California Department of Transportation (Caltrans).

The CMP is designed to: a) comply with the monitoring requirements of the Ballona Creek, Ballona Estuary and Sepulveda Channel Bacteria TMDL; and b) provide data to support the re-evaluations that will be made when the TMDL is reopened in four years. This proposal includes an introduction, historical background and requirements of the TMDLs, monitoring site locations, sampling schedule, procedures following exceedances, analytical methodology, data management, and reporting plans.

Throughout the plan's development, the Monitoring Plan Sub-committee met with and solicited clarification and input from Regional Water Quality Control Board (RWQCB) staff, Heal the Bay, and Santa Monica BayKeeper in order to resolve as many issues as possible early in the

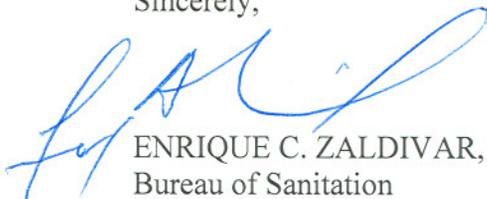


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process. A presentation of this plan was made to the RWQCB, Heal the Bay and Santa Monica Baykeeper on January 24, 2008 for their review and input. Per the RWQCB's request, additional sites were added to the plan to make a total of eight (8) monitoring locations. In addition, confluence sampling sites were verified to ensure monitoring would be conducted at the Regional Board's intended locations as suggested by the RWQCB.

The Monitoring Plan Sub-committee looks forward to working with the RWQCB to finalize this CMP and implement the monitoring program. If you have any questions regarding this CMP, please contact Reza Iranpour (213) 485-0577 or Hubertus Cox at (213) 485-3984.

Sincerely,



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Attachment

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