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Mr. Sam Unger, Interim Executive Director
LA Regional Water Quality Control Board
320 West 4th Street, Suite 200
Los Angeles CA 90013

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CALIFORNIA REGIONAL WATER
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Subject: Request EPA Renegotiate Timeline for Federal Indicator Bacteria TMDL

Dear Mr. Unger:

We are writing to express our concern about the draft FIB TMDL. As a member of the various watershed stakeholder groups (Santa Clara River, Calleguas Creek and Ventura River) in the area we believe more time is needed for this effort. In addition we are working closely with Ag producers in the region to implement BMPs that relate to this issue and others.

We appreciate the efforts made by you and your staff on this critical issue. Our concern is however that there is not enough evidence to support the draft FIB TMDL. Linking sources with water data is not supported by the draft. Shouldn't the linkages be fully understood to adequately deal with FIB TMDL?

We respectfully request that you ask the EPA to renegotiate the timeline in the settlement agreement with the environmental community. Since the EPA has recently requested changes in the settlement agreement successfully, we do not feel this is an unreasonable request.

Thank you for your consideration of this request.

Sincerely,

Marty Melvin
District Manager