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Mr. Sam Unger, Executive Officer  
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320 West 4th Street, Suite 200  
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Dear Mr. Unger:

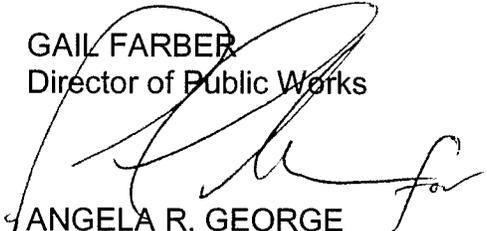
**SUBMITTAL OF THE TRASH MONITORING AND REPORTING PLAN FOR  
THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY FLOOD CONTROL DISTRICT FOR THE  
BALLONA CREEK AND LOS ANGELES RIVER  
TRASH TOTAL MAXIMUM DAILY LOAD**

The Los Angeles County Flood Control District (LACFCD) is submitting the enclosed Trash Monitoring and Reporting Plan (TMRP) for the Ballona Creek and Los Angeles River Watershed Trash Total Maximum Daily Load in accordance with the California Regional Water Quality Control Board's Order No. R4-2012-0175-A01. The TMRP covers the LACFCD's participation for the Ballona Creek and Upper Los Angeles River Enhanced Watershed Management Program Group, Rio Hondo / San Gabriel EWMP Group and the Los Angeles River Upper Reach 2 Watershed Management Program Group and Lower Los Angeles River Watershed Management Program Group. The LACFCD has been implementing and will continue to implement Best Management Practices as described in the enclosed TMRP.

If you have any questions, please contact me at (626) 458-4300 or [ageorge@dpw.lacounty.gov](mailto:ageorge@dpw.lacounty.gov) or your staff may contact Mr. Paul Alva at (626) 458-4325 or [palva@dpw.lacounty.gov](mailto:palva@dpw.lacounty.gov).

Very truly yours,

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**Trash Monitoring and Reporting Plan for  
The Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System  
Within The Ballona Creek Watershed, Upper Los Angeles River Watershed, Los  
Angeles River Upper Reach 2 Sub-Watershed, Rio Hondo/San Gabriel River  
Watershed And Lower Los Angeles River Watershed Management Areas  
Ballona Creek and Los Angeles River Trash Total Maximum Daily Load**

Per the Basin Plan Amendment for the Los Angeles River Watershed Trash Total Maximum Daily Load (TMDL), it is stated that Flood Control Districts, such as the Los Angeles County Flood Control District (LACFCD), are not assigned Waste Load Allocations, based on jurisdictional area, if certain conditions are met. In order to meet those conditions, the LACFCD will implement the following as required by the TMDL:

- Channel maintenance for trash will be performed in compliance with the Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System (MS4) Permit;
- The LACFCD will coordinate with jurisdictions to allow them to install and maintain full and partial capture trash control devices for the purposes of this TMDL in parts of the MS4 physical infrastructure that are under its authority through a necessary permitting process (i.e., LACFCD Flood Permit); and
- As specifically required under its MS4 Permit, the LACFCD will implement the Best Management Practices required for trash within the MS4 physical infrastructure under its authority.

In addition, in order to address fugitive trash and debris that has been deposited either illegally or through wind transport into open channels, the LACFCD will visually monitor and remove trash and debris from all open channels and other MS4 drainage structures under the LACFCD ownership.

The LACFCD has been performing the above listed actions prior to the adoption of the Basin Plan Amendment and intends to continue to implement these actions.