NOTICE OF APPLICABILITY; GENERAL PERMIT FOR DISCHARGES FROM MUNICIPAL SEPARATE STORM SEWER SYSTEMS, ORDER R5-2016-0040

On 2 November 2018, the City of Bakersfield and County of Kern (hereinafter collectively referred to as “Applicants”) submitted Notices of Intent (NOIs) to obtain coverage under the General Permit for Discharges from Municipal Separate Storm Sewer Systems (MS4), Order R5-2016-0040 (General Permit). After review of the NOIs, the Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board (Central Valley Water Board) has determined that the Applicants qualify for coverage under the General Order. The Applicants’ MS4s are hereby assigned the following:

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Please reference your General Order Number in all future correspondence and documents.

Provision V.F.2 of the General Permit provides a table which outlines the steps to develop the Applicants’ Storm Water Management Plan. The first step is to submit the results of the Applicants’ Assessment and Prioritization and the proposed methodology for the Reasonable Assurance Analysis by 6 June 2019 to the Central Valley Water Board.

In accordance with Provision V.B.1.c of the General Permit, issuance of this Notice of Applicability (NOA) rescinds Waste Discharge Requirements Order R5-2013-0153 and Order R5-2013-0153-01 (NPDES Permit No. CA00883399) for the City of Bakersfield and the County of Kern for Storm Water Discharges from Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System, except for enforcement of permit violations that occurred prior to the issuance of this NOA.

Pursuant to Part V.C.9.c of the General Permit, a Permittee is required to continue implementation of its existing Storm Water Management Program between receipt of an NOA and final approval of a Storm Water Management Plan that meets the requirements laid out in the General Permit.
You can find the General Permit on the Central Valley Water Board’s website at:

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