



California Regional Water Quality Control Board

Los Angeles Region



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RESOLUTION R09-008 - REGIONAL BOARD APPROVAL OF A PROPOSED SPECIAL STUDY FOR 2009-2010 – JOINT WATER POLLUTION CONTROL PLANT (NPDES NO. CA0053813, CI NO. 1758)

Dear Mr. Gully:

Reference is made to the tentative Resolution transmitted on September 22, 2009, which would approve your proposed special study.

This Regional Board at a public hearing held on December 10, 2009, reviewed the tentative Resolution, considered all comments received, and adopted Resolution R09-008, which approves your Special Study

The final Resolution will be sent only to the Permittee. However, these documents are available on the Regional Board's website at www.waterboards.ca.gov/losangeles/. Electronic versions will also be sent to the interested parties list.

For this Special Study you are required to provide quarterly progress reports to the Regional Board beginning with the First Quarter of 2010 by the following due dates:

Reporting Period	Report Due Date
First Quarter (January – March)	May 15 th
Second Quarter (April – June)	August 15 th
Third Quarter (July – September)	November 15 th
Fourth Quarter (October – December)	February 15 th

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Please send these progress reports to the attention of Rebecca Christmann, Lead of the Municipal Permitting Unit. Should you have any questions, she can be reached at (213) 576-6756 or contact Dr. Cathy Chang at (213) 576-6760.

Sincerely,

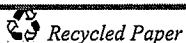


Tracy J. Egoscue
Executive Officer

Enclosure

cc: See attached mailing list

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MAILING LIST

Environmental Protection Agency, Region IX, Clean Water Act Standards and Permits (WTR-5)
U.S. Army Corp of Engineers
NOAA, National Maritime Fisheries Service
U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Division of Ecological Services
State Water Resources Control Board, Office of Chief Counsel - Michael Levy
State Water Resources Control Board, Division of Water Quality- Phil Isorena
California Department of Fish and Game, Region 5
California Department of Fish and Game, Marine Resources Region
California Department of Health Services, Environmental Management Branch
California Coastal Commission, South Coast Region
Santa Monica Bay Restoration Commission
Los Angeles County, Department of Public Works, Watershed Management Division
Los Angeles County, Department of Health Services
Los Angeles County, Lifeguard Association
Los Angeles County Sanitation Districts
City of Los Angeles, Department of Public Works, Bureau of Engineering, Wastewater System
Engineering Division
City of Los Angeles, Department of Public Works, Bureau of Sanitation, Industrial Waste
Management
City of Los Angeles, Department of Public Works, Bureau of Sanitation, Watershed Protection
Division
City of Los Angeles, Department of Water and Power
Water Replenishment District of Southern California
West Basin Municipal Water District
City of Carson
City of Hermosa Beach
City of Manhattan Beach
City of Palos Verdes Estate
City of Rancho Palos Verdes
City of Rolling Hills
City of Rolling Hills Estate
City of Torrance
American Ocean Campaign
Environment Now
Heal the Bay
Natural Resources Defense Council
Santa Monica BayKeeper
Sierra Club
Surfrider Foundation
Southern California Coastal Water Research Project

State of California
California Regional Water Quality Control Board, Los Angeles Region

RESOLUTION NO. R09-008

Approving the County Sanitation Districts of Los Angeles County's Proposed
Special Study for the Joint Water Pollution Control Plant

WHEREAS, the California Regional Water Quality Control Board, Los Angeles Region (hereinafter Regional Board), finds that:

1. On April 6, 2006, the Regional Board adopted a National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) permit for the County Sanitation Districts of Los Angeles County Joint Water Pollution Control Plant.
2. The NPDES permit contains a requirement for the County Sanitation Districts of Los Angeles County to consult annually with the Regional Board and the United States Environmental Protection Agency (USEPA) to determine the need for Special Studies. Detailed scopes of work for proposals shall be presented to obtain Regional Board and USEPA approval and to inform the public. Special Studies are intended to focus on refined questions regarding specific effects or development of monitoring techniques. Questions regarding effluent or receiving water quality, discharge impacts, ocean processes in the area of the discharge, or development of techniques for monitoring the same, arising out of the results of core or regional monitoring, may be pursued through these Special Studies.
3. On July 29, 2009, representatives from the County Sanitation Districts of Los Angeles County met with Regional Board staff to discuss a proposed Special Study for 2009-2010: *Palos Verdes Shelf Baseline Sediment Coring and Hotspot Chemical Contamination Characterization*.
4. Regional Board staff believe that the proposed Special Study fulfills the requirements of the NPDES permit, and will further the Regional Board's knowledge of the health of the Santa Monica Bay and of emerging issues associated with the discharges from the Treatment Plant, and recommend that the study be approved by the Regional Board.

September 21, 2009

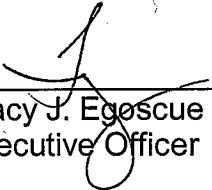
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THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

1. The Regional Board believes that the Special Study proposed for 2009-2010: *Palos Verdes Shelf Baseline Sediment Coring and Hotspot Chemical Contamination Characterization*, merits approval.
2. The Regional Board hereby approves the County Sanitation Districts of Los Angeles County's proposal for a Special Study.

I, Tracy J. Egoscue, Executive Officer, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a full, true, and correct copy of a Resolution adopted by the California Regional Water Quality Control Board, Los Angeles Region, on December 10, 2009.



Tracy J. Egoscue
Executive Officer