

California Regional Water Quality Control Board

Los Angeles Region



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Ms. Ann Heil Supervising Engineer, Technical Services Department Joint Outfall System (County Sanitation Districts of Los Angeles County) P.O. Box 4998 Whittier, CA 90607-4998

Dear Ms. Heil:

CHANGE OF VENUE AND REVISED TENTATIVE WASTE DISCHARGE REQUIREMENTS AND NATIONAL POLLUTANT DISCHARGE ELIMINATION SYSTEM (NPDES) PERMIT – JOINT OUTFALL SYSTEM, SAN JOSE CREEK WATER RECLAMATION PLANT (NPDES NO. CA0053911, CI NO. 5542)

We have revised the tentative NPDES permit dated April 2, 2009, based on comments received during a meeting with stakeholders on March 17, 2009, and based on written comments received by 12:00 p.m. (noon) on May 4, 2009. Changes in the revised tentative NPDES Order appear in the strikeout/underline format. Written responses to comments received are being prepared and will be sent under separate cover.

Pursuant to the Federal Clean Water Act, as amended, and in accordance with the California Water Code, tentative waste discharge requirements have been prepared.

Enclosed are copies of the following:

- 1. Revised Tentative Requirements consisting of:
 - a. Board Order;
 - b. Flow Schematic (Attachments B1 and B2);
 - c. Tentative Monitoring and Reporting Program (Attachment E); and,
 - d. Fact Sheet (Attachment F).

Attachments A, C, D,G, H, I, J, K, and L were not revised.

Please note the change in location of the Board meeting, as it is no longer scheduled to take place at the Metropolitan Water District of Southern California.

In accordance with administrative procedures, this Board at a public hearing to be held on June 4, 2009, at 9:00 a.m., at the City of El Segundo City Hall, 350 Main Street, El Segundo, California, will consider the enclosed tentative requirements and comments submitted in writing regarding any and all portions thereof. The Board will hear any testimony pertinent to this discharge and the

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tentative requirements. It is expected that the Board will take action at the hearing; however, as testimony indicates, the Board, at its discretion, may order further investigation.

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While we welcome written comments regarding this revised tentative Order, we ask that you refrain from submitting duplicate comments which have previously been submitted on the tentative permit dated April 2, 2009. Written comments regarding this revised tentative Order must be received at the Regional Water Board office by 12:00 p.m. (Noon) on May 15, 2009, in order to be evaluated by Board staff and included in the Board's agenda folder. Comments received after that date will be provided, ex agenda, to the Board for their consideration. Timely submittal of written comments is encouraged to ensure that all comments are accurately and fully included in the administrative record, that Board staff is able to provide timely review, and that State Water Board members have sufficient time to give full consideration to the comments and issues raised. Comments received after the requested date may result in delay in consideration of the tentative Order.

If you have any questions please call me at (213) 576-6756, or Don Tsai at (213) 576-6665.

Sincerely,

Rebecca E. Christmann, Unit Lead Municipal Permitting Unit (NPDES)

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Enclosures

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Mr. Michael Levy, State Water Resources Control Board, Office of Chief Counsel

Department of Fish and Game, Region 5

Department of Public Health

California State Parks and Recreation

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Los Angeles County, DPW, Environmental Programs

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