
Los Angeles Regional Water Quality Control Board

MS4 Stakeholder Workshop

Tuesday, January 7, 2020
10:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.
Los Angeles Water Board Office
First Floor, Carmel Room
320 W. 4th Street
Los Angeles, CA 90013

Meeting purpose:

- Develop mutual understanding of Permittee/stakeholder interests and needs
- Explore areas of potential common ground for new permit
- Provide input to the Los Angeles Water Board on key aspects of the working proposal

Agenda

Welcome, Brief Introductions, Goals for Today (10:00)

Setting the Context for Today's Workshop (10:15)

This workshop is a continuation of the Board's overall engagement process with permittees and stakeholders regarding the regional MS4 permit and is an opportunity to have a dialogue with the Board members on several key topics related to the new permit. To set the stage, the three topical discussions, below, will each begin with several stakeholder representatives briefly sharing key interests and needs or challenges with respect to the new permit, and suggestions for refinements to the permit that may be amenable to others considering potential shared interests. After hearing briefly from these stakeholder representatives, the conversation will be opened to all participants.

What Constitutes Success and Defining Permit Compliance (10:30)

- What should be the goals for the five-year permit term (~2020 - 2025) vs. overall program that, when achieved, would constitute success?
- Is the language in the working proposal well aligned with this definition of success? How could it be improved?
- Is the language in the working proposal adequately clear regarding how compliance will be assessed? How could it be improved?

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Addressing Cost/Timeline Challenges Under the New Permit (11:45)

- What are the most urgent concerns regarding cost vis-à-vis implementation timelines/deadlines?
- Where & how should the cost/timeline challenge be addressed -- both in the permit and through other Board actions?
- What factors should be considered to justify modifications to timelines?

LUNCH BREAK (on own at 12:30 - 1:15)

Addressing Cost/Timeline Challenges Under the New Permit (cont.) (1:15)

- What potential changes to the permit could maximize funding opportunities (e.g., bringing public & private partners to the table)?

Measuring, Tracking and Monitoring Progress Under the New Permit (1:45)

- What should be the focus in terms of tracking progress and compliance (e.g., water quality monitoring data, stormwater capture volume, pollutant load reduction, project completion)
- How could tracking and reporting be simplified and standardized to efficiently provide high-value information and data (i.e., a set of standard metrics)?
- How can progress be more effectively communicated to the public?
- Does the working proposal, particularly Attachment H, meet these needs? How could it be improved?

Wrap Up and Closing (2:30)

- Next steps