

LA County MS4 Permit Structure

The Los Angeles Regional Water Quality Control Board (Regional Board) has begun the process of updating the Los Angeles County Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System (MS4) NPDES Permit, which was last issued in 2001. The 2001 Permit regulates discharges of stormwater and non-stormwater from the MS4 to Waters of the State and U.S. The MS4 discharges from 84 cities, Los Angeles County, and Los Angeles County Flood Control District are regulated by the Regional Board under this single permit.

The Regional Board held a Kick-off Meeting with Permittees and stakeholders on May 25, 2011 to begin permit development. At the meeting, Regional Board staff discussed a number of alternative permit structures. (The PowerPoint presentation from the May 25th meeting can be downloaded from the Regional Board's website at http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/losangeles/water_issues/programs/stormwater/municipal/la_ms4/LAMS4PermitKickoffMeetingPresentation.pdf)

This survey is intended to solicit Permittees' preferences regarding permit structure and will be used by Regional Board staff, along with other information, in developing for Regional Board consideration the appropriate permit structure for regulating MS4 discharges within the Los Angeles County Flood Control District, Los Angeles County, and the incorporated cities therein.

Please respond to the questions below, indicating your city's preferences regarding permit structure and briefly explaining your rationale for preferring this structure.

PLEASE SUBMIT ONLY ONE RESPONSE PER PERMITTEE.

Responses are requested by June 24, 2011. For questions, please contact Mr. Ivar Ridgeway, Chief, Stormwater Permitting Unit, at (213) 620-2150.

* 1. Which permit structure does your city prefer for an updated MS4 Permit?

- Single MS4 Permit for Los Angeles County
- Six watershed-based MS4 Permits using Regional Board Watershed Management Areas
- Nine watershed-based MS4 Permits per AB 2554 Watershed Authority Groups
- Per 2006 Reports of Waste Discharge (ROWDs)
- Individual MS4 Permits for each Permittee
- Other (please specify)

2. If you selected "Other" in Q1, please provide a description of your city's preferred permit structure. If a group permit is preferred, please identify the other Permittees who would be included in the group.

3. Please provide an explanation of your city's reason(s) for preferring the permit structure selected in Q1 above.

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4. If your city prefers a single permit for Los Angeles County, which of the following internal structures would you prefer for incorporating TMDL requirements?

- Watershed-based chapters per AB 2554 Watershed Authority Groups
- Watershed-based chapters per Regional Board Watershed Management Areas
- Individual permittee chapters
- Other (please specify)

5. Please select the top 3 issues that your city would like to have a workshop on during permit development.

- Incorporation of TMDL wasteload allocations into the permit
- New development/redevelopment permit provisions, including LID
- Monitoring program design
- Reporting program design
- Regulation of non-stormwater discharges to/from the MS4
- Other (please specify workshop topic(s))

*6. Please list the City's primary contact for continued communication regarding the Los Angeles County MS4 permit development.

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7. Please provide a secondary contact for continued communication regarding the Los Angeles County MS4 Permit development below.

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