San Luis Obispo County Storm Water Management Program Response to Comments from the Surfrider Foundation October 6, 2006 Letter

1. The County should implement a water quality monitoring program that evaluates creek and ocean waters to enable the County to adequately investigate concerns of water quality such as bacterial contamination. (p 2, paragraph 2.)

Response: The General Municipal Permit does not require water quality monitoring. The County is required to implement BMPs that reduce pollutant discharges to the MEP. The County has committed to support Urban Watch, First Flush, and Snapshot Day citizen's monitoring programs annually (PP5). The monitoring events will involve community members conducting water quality sampling. Water Board staff will review compliance annually and determine the need for future monitoring.

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