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## ELECTRONIC MAIL, SPECIAL DELIVERY

Mr. Samuel Unger, Executive Officer California Regional Water Quality Control Board Los Angeles Region 320 West Fourth Street, Suite 200 Los Angeles, CA 90013

Attention: Mr. Ivar Ridgeway

Dear Mr. Unger:

## SUBMITTAL OF THE REVISED ENHANCED WATERSHED MANAGEMENT PROGRAM FOR BALLONA CREEK WATERSHED

Please find attached the Revised Enhanced Watershed Management Program (EWMP) for the Ballona Creek Watershed Management Group. The City of Los Angeles, as lead agency for the Watershed Management Group, has prepared this EWMP on behalf of itself, the Cities of Beverly Hills, Culver City, Inglewood, Santa Monica, and West Hollywood, the County of Los Angeles, and the Los Angeles County Flood Control District. All partner agencies have reviewed the revised EWMP for the submission to the Regional Water Quality Control Board.

The EWMP for the Ballona Creek Watershed satisfies the requirements stipulated in the Waste Discharge Requirements for Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System (MS4) Discharges within the Coastal Watersheds of Los Angeles County (except these discharges originating from the City of Long Beach MS4) (Order No. R4-2012-0175), which became effective on December 28, 2012. The EWMP was developed utilizing a multi-pollutant approach that maximizes the retention and use of urban runoff as a resource while creating additional benefits for the communities in the watershed.

The EWMP for the Ballona Creek Watershed has been revised in response to the comments provided by the Regional Water Quality Control Board, detailed in your letter dated October 21, 2015. A comment response table summarizing these revisions is included in this submittal. We appreciate the Mr. Samuel Unger, Executive Officer January 20, 2016 Page 2 of 2

discussions with and the input from your staff throughout the development and revision of this EWMP. Should you have any questions about this submittal, please contact me at <u>Shahram.Kharaghani@lacity.org</u> or phone (213) 485-0587, or your staff may contact Huub Cox at <u>Hubertus.Cox@lacity.org</u> or (213) 485-3984.

Sincerely,

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