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Beach Cities Watershed Management Group: Coordinated Integrated Monitoring Program (CIMP) Plan, Pursuant to the Los Angeles County Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System (MS4) Permit (NPDES No. CAS004001; Order No. R4-2012-0175)

Dear Mr. Unger;

On June 28, 2013 the Beach Cities Watershed Management Group (Beach Cities) submitted the Notice of Intent (NOI) for the development of an Enhanced Watershed Management Program (EWMP) Plan and Coordinated Integrated Monitoring Program (CIMP) Plan. All members of the Beach Cities have agreed to a collaborative approach in meeting the requirements of the MS4 Permit by Order No. R4-2012-0175.

On March 27, 2014 the California Regional Water Quality Control Board, Los Angeles Region (Regional Water Board) approved the Beach Cities' NOI.

Per part IV.C.4 of Attachment E of Order No. R4-2012-0175, "Permittees electing to develop an enhanced WMP shall submit an IMP or CIMP plan to the Executive Officer of the Regional Water Board within 18 months after the effective date of this Order." To comply with this requirement, enclosed is the Beach Cities CIMP Plan. All agencies have reviewed and approved the plan for its submission to your Board. Each agency provided an Authorization to Submit letter authorizing the City of Redondo Beach, the lead agency to submit the plan on their behalf. These authorization letters are also enclosed.

Should you have any questions regarding the CIMP Plan, please contact me at tim.shea@redondo.org or via telephone at (310) 318-0686, extension 4110 or Elaine Jeng at elaine.jeng@redondo.org or via telephone at (310) 318-0661, extension 2279.

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Dear Ms. Jeng:

**AUTHORIZATION TO SUBMIT-CITY OF HERMOSA BEACH
BEACH CITIES EWMP GROUP
COORDINATED INTEGRATED MONITORING PROGRAM PLAN AND
ENHANCED WATERSHED MANAGEMENT PROGRAM WORKPLAN**

As required by Order No. R4-2012-0175 (Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System Permit), the City of Hermosa Beach has been participating in the Beach Cities EWMP Group to develop a Coordinated Integrated Monitoring Program (CIMP) Plan and an Enhanced Watershed Management Program (EWMP) Workplan. These Plans have been developed in partnership with the following agencies: City of Redondo Beach as the coordinating agency, City of Manhattan Beach, City of Torrance, and Los Angeles County Flood Control District.

This letter serves to authorize the City of Redondo Beach to submit the CIMP Plan and the EWMP Workplan to the California Regional Water Quality Control Board – Los Angeles Region on behalf of the City of Hermosa Beach.

If you have any questions, please contact Frank Senteno, Director of Public Works/City Engineer, at (310) 318-0238.

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COORDINATED INTEGRATED MONITORING PROGRAM PLAN AND
ENHANCED WATERSHED MANAGEMENT PROGRAM WORKPLAN**

As required by Order No. R4-2012-0175 (Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System Permit), the Manhattan Beach has been participating in the Beach Cities Watershed Management Group to develop a Coordinated Integrated Monitoring Program (CIMP) Plan and an Enhanced Watershed Management Program (EWMP) Work plan. These Plans have been developed in partnership with the following agencies: The City of Redondo Beach as the coordinating agency, the Los Angeles County Flood Control and the Cities of Hermosa Beach and Torrance.

This letter serves to authorize the City of Redondo Beach to submit the CIMP Plan and the EWMP Work Plan to the California Regional Water Quality Control Board – Los Angeles Region on behalf of the City of Manhattan Beach

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Dear Ms. Jeng:

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COORDINATED INTEGRATED MONITORING PROGRAM PLAN AND
ENHANCED WATERSHED MANAGEMENT PROGRAM WORKPLAN**

As required by Order No. R4-2012-0175 (Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System Permit), the City of Torrance has been participating in the Beach Cities EWMP Group to develop a Coordinated Integrated Monitoring Program (CIMP) Plan and an Enhanced Watershed Management Program (EWMP) Workplan. These Plans have been developed in partnership with the following agencies: City of Redondo Beach as the coordinating agency, and City of Hermosa Beach, City of Manhattan Beach and Los Angeles County Flood Control District.

This letter serves to authorize the City of Redondo Beach to submit the CIMP Plan and the EWMP Workplan to the California Regional Water Quality Control Board – Los Angeles Region on behalf of the City of Torrance.

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BEACH CITIES WATERSHED MANAGEMENT GROUP
COORDINATED INTEGRATED MONITORING PROGRAM PLAN AND
ENHANCED WATERSHED MANAGEMENT PROGRAM WORK PLAN**

In compliance with Order No. R4-2012-0175 (Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System Permit), the Los Angeles County Flood Control District (LACFCD) has been participating in the Beach Cities Watershed Management Group to develop a Coordinated Integrated Monitoring Program (CIMP) Plan and an Enhanced Watershed Management Program (EWMP) Work Plan. These Plans have been developed in partnership with the following agencies: the City of Redondo Beach as the coordinating agency and Cities of Torrance, Hermosa Beach, and Manhattan Beach.

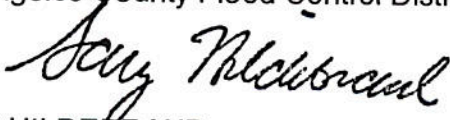
This letter serves to authorize the City of Redondo Beach to submit the CIMP Plan and the EWMP Work Plan to the California Regional Water Quality Control Board – Los Angeles Region on behalf of the LACFCD.

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City of Manhattan Beach
City of Torrance

**COORDINATED INTEGRATED MONITORING
PROGRAM (CIMP)
FOR THE BEACH CITIES WATERSHED MANAGEMENT
GROUP**



Submitted to
The Los Angeles Regional Water Quality Control Board

Prepared by

**Beach Cities Watershed Management Group
(Cities of Hermosa Beach, Manhattan Beach, Redondo Beach, and Torrance
and the Los Angeles County Flood Control District)**

June 2014

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List of Acronyms

| | |
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| AL | Action Levels |
| AMP | Adaptive Management Process |
| BMP | Best Management Practice |
| CERCLA | Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act |
| CFU | (Microbial) Colony Forming Unit |
| CIMP | Coordinated Integrated Monitoring Program |
| CTR | California Toxics Rule |
| CWA | Clean Water Act |
| DO | Dissolved Oxygen |
| EO | Executive Officer |
| EWMP | Enhanced Watershed Management Program |
| GIS | Geographic Information System |
| HUC | Hydrologic Unit Code |
| IC/ID | Illicit Connection/Illicit Discharge |
| LACDPW | Los Angeles County Department of Public Works |
| LACFCD | Los Angeles County Flood Control District |
| LARWQCB | Los Angeles Regional Water Quality Control Board |
| LFD | Low Flow Diversion |
| MAL | Municipal Action Limit |
| MCM | Minimum Control Measures |
| MES | Mass Emission Station |
| MRP | Monitoring and Reporting Program |
| MS4 | Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System |
| NOI | Notice of Intent |
| NPDES | National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System |
| NSWD | Non-stormwater Discharge |
| NSW | Non-Stormwater |
| NSWD | Non-Stormwater Discharge |
| RAA | Reasonable Assurance Analysis |
| RWL | Receiving Water Limitation |
| SCCWRP | Southern California Coastal Water Research Project |
| SMC | Stormwater Monitoring Coalition |
| SSC | Suspended Sediment Concentration |
| TIE | Toxicity Identification Evaluation |
| TMDL | Total Maximum Daily Load |
| TSS | Total Suspended Solids |
| USEPA | United States Environmental Protection Agency |
| WBPC | Water Body- Pollutant Combination |
| WDR | Waste Discharge Requirements |
| WLA | Waste Load Allocation |
| WMA | Watershed Management Area |
| WQO | Water Quality Objectives |
| WQBEL | Water Quality-Based Effluent Limitation |

Executive Summary

The Cities of Hermosa Beach, Manhattan Beach, Redondo Beach and Torrance, and the Los Angeles County Flood Control District (LACFCD), collectively known as the Beach Cities Watershed Management Group (Beach Cities WMG), are working jointly to preserve and protect local and regional water resources from adverse impacts associated with pollutants in stormwater and urban runoff.

On November 8, 2012, the Los Angeles Regional Water Quality Control Board adopted the fourth National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System Permit under the Federal Clean Water Act for discharges from the municipal separate storm sewer system within the coastal watersheds of Los Angeles County (Permit). The Permit became effective on December 28, 2012. The Permit identifies conditions, requirements and programs that municipalities must comply with to protect regional water resources from adverse impacts associated with pollutants in stormwater and urban runoff. In addition, the Permit includes increased and expanded monitoring requirements including applicable TMDL monitoring, receiving water monitoring, storm water outfall based monitoring, non-storm water outfall based monitoring, and regional monitoring. The Coordinated Integrated Monitoring Program (CIMP) has been prepared for the Beach Cities WMG for submittal to meet the Permit submittal deadline of June 30, 2014.

The objective of the Permit is to ensure that MS4 discharges in the County of Los Angeles do not cause or contribute to the exceedance of water quality standards in regional water bodies. These standards include receiving water beneficial uses, water quality objectives and criteria that are established at levels sufficient to protect those uses, and the Regional Board anti-degradation policy. The Permit encourages Permittees to develop an Enhanced Watershed Management Program (EWMP) to implement the Permit requirements on a watershed scale through flexible customized strategies, control measures and best management practices (BMPs) to comply with water quality standards.

The Permit encourages watershed management groups (WMGs) collaborating on the development of an EWMP to also coordinate their monitoring efforts through a CIMP. Although the CIMP can be customized by the WMG, it must achieve the 5 primary objectives described in the Permit and have certain required elements. The customization allows a group of agencies to realize efficiencies in terms of cost through coordination and elimination of duplication of effort.

The primary objectives of the CIMP are to:

1. Assess the chemical, physical, and biological impacts of municipal stormwater discharges on receiving waters;
2. Assess compliance with Receiving Water Limitations (RWLs) and Water Quality-Based Effluent Limitations (WQBELs) established to implement Total Maximum Daily Load (TMDL) wet-weather and dry-weather waste load allocations (WLAs);
3. Characterize pollutant loads in municipal stormwater discharges;
4. Identify sources of pollutants in municipal stormwater discharges; and
5. Measure and improve the effectiveness of pollutant controls implemented under the Permit.

The Beach Cities WMG CIMP describes an adaptive management process approach to satisfying the requirements and objectives of the Permit Monitoring and Reporting Program (MRP). This CIMP is designed to assess compliance with RWLs and QBELs and provide the information necessary to guide water quality management decisions and assess the effectiveness of watershed source control measures in the EWMP. This CIMP addresses the six required Permit MRP elements:

1. Receiving Water Monitoring
2. Stormwater Outfall Monitoring
3. Non-Stormwater Outfall Monitoring
4. New/Redevelopment Effectiveness Tracking
5. Regional Studies
6. Special Studies

Receiving water monitoring is intended to assess water quality relative to water quality objectives, impacts to beneficial uses, and trends in pollutant concentrations. The CIMP proposes two (2) new near-shore monitoring locations in the Santa Monica Bay (approximately 1,000 feet from the shoreline at the 30-foot depth contour) for sampling and analysis of an expanded, Permit-required suite of analytical parameters designed to assess the impacts from the storm drain discharges on water quality in the Santa Monica Bay. Ongoing Coordinated Shoreline Monitoring ankle-deep in the wave wash consistent with the Santa Monica Bay Beaches Bacteria TMDL will continue at the same frequency and at the same eleven (11) locations as specified in the approved Coordinated Shoreline Monitoring Plan consistent with the Santa Monica Bay Beaches Bacteria TMDL.

The CIMP is proposing four (4) Santa Monica Bay and three (3) Dominguez Channel stormwater outfall based monitoring locations which will be monitored on an alternating annual basis. These monitoring locations were chosen in order to provide a representative outfall monitoring location from each jurisdiction discharging to each watershed. Each monitoring location was chosen based on its drainage being representative of land use from the jurisdiction in which it is located. The resulting monitoring data will be used to assess compliance with TMDL WLAs, expressed as QBELs or RWLs, and the attainment of water quality objectives.

The Non-Stormwater Program provides an assessment of whether there are dry-weather discharges which may potentially impact receiving waters and defines a process to identify potential sources of those significant non-stormwater discharges. It complements the Permittees' Illicit Connection/Illicit Discharge (IC/ID) Minimum Control Measure (MCM) programs and focuses on any significant discharges from major outfalls to receiving waters in the Beach Cities WMG areas: 1) the Santa Monica Bay shoreline; 2) the Dominguez Channel within the City of Torrance; and 3) the Torrance Carson Lateral near Western Avenue. Along the Santa Monica Bay portion of the WMG, there are seven year-round Low Flow Diversions (LFDs) which divert flows from the storm drains to the sanitary sewer system, or to subsurface infiltration systems, preventing non-stormwater discharges from reaching the receiving water. In the year following CIMP submittal, major outfalls will be screened over three events for significant and persistent non-stormwater discharges and a GIS inventory summarizing the findings of this screening will

be completed. If non-stormwater discharge sources cannot be identified as authorized, or else eliminated or diverted from the MS4, then such discharges will be added to the monitoring program. The number and location of outfalls monitored may vary on an annual basis as non-stormwater discharges are identified, addressed and eliminated.

To address the New Development/Re-Development Effectiveness Tracking Program requirements, the Beach Cities WMG Permittees will individually maintain informational database records for each new development/re-development project subject to their individual adopted Low Impact Development (LID) Ordinances.

To address the Regional Monitoring requirement, the LACFCD will continue to participate in the Regional Watershed Monitoring Program (Bioassessment Program) being managed by the Southern California Stormwater Monitoring Coalition (SMC). The LACFCD will contribute resources to the SMC's bioassessment monitoring program during the current permit cycle. Initiated in 2008, the SMC's Regional Bioassessment Program is designed to run over a five-year cycle. Monitoring under the first cycle concluded in 2013, with reporting of findings and additional special studies planned to occur in 2014. SMC, including LACFCD, is currently working on designing the bioassessment monitoring program for the next five-year cycle, which is scheduled to run from 2015 to 2019.

The Beach Cities WMG does not anticipate additional special studies beyond those approved for Machado Lake, which were provided to the LARWQCB and are included as an Appendix to the CIMP. When warranted, future special studies may be implemented through the adaptive management process or as a CIMP or EWMP revision.

Once approved by the Regional Board and implemented by the Beach Cities WMG, the CIMP will provide an expanded set of water quality data and information for use in future assessment of EWMP effectiveness and to guide watershed management decision making. The EWMP and CIMP are expected to undergo revision to reflect changing conditions in the watershed. CIMP programs will be re-evaluated every two years in parallel with the EWMP adaptive management process, and recommended changes will be submitted to the Regional Board for approval. Any proposed CIMP revisions will be implemented upon Regional Board EO approval or within 60 days if no objections are expressed.

Monitoring data will be electronically submitted semi-annually, as required by the MRP. An Integrated Monitoring Compliance Report will be submitted to the LARWQCB as part of the Annual Report on December 15th of each year, covering the reporting year which extends from July 1 through June 30th preceding the December 15th submittal.

1.0 Introduction

In December 2013, the Cities of Hermosa Beach, Manhattan Beach, Redondo Beach and Torrance, together with the Los Angeles County Flood Control District (LACFCD), collectively referred to as the Beach Cities Watershed Management Group (Beach Cities WMG), submitted a Revised Notice of Intent (NOI) to develop an Enhanced Watershed Management Program (EWMP) and Coordinated Integrated Monitoring Program (CIMP). Following receipt of the Regional Water Quality Control Board, Los Angeles Region (Regional Board or LARWQCB) Executive Officer's approval of the Revised NOI on March 27, 2014, the Beach Cities WMG began CIMP development to fulfill the requirements of the National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System (MS4) Permit No. R4-2012-0175 (Permit) for Los Angeles County issued by the Los Angeles Regional Water Quality Control Board (Regional Board). The Permit was adopted on November 8, 2012, by the Regional Board and became effective December 28, 2012. This Permit replaced the previous MS4 permit (Order No. 01-182). The purpose of the Permit is to ensure the MS4s in the County of Los Angeles are not causing or contributing to exceedances of water quality objectives set to protect the beneficial uses in the receiving waters in the Los Angeles region. The Permit allows the Permittees to customize their stormwater programs to achieve Receiving Water Limitations (RWL) and Water Quality-Based Effluent Limits (WQBELs).

The Beach Cities WMG's CIMP addresses the requirements presented in Permit Attachment E, the Monitoring and Reporting Program (MRP). The primary objectives for the MRP are listed in Part II.A of the MRP and are summarized as follows:

1. Assess the chemical, physical, and biological impacts of discharges from the MS4 on receiving waters;
2. Assess compliance with Total Maximum Daily Load (TMDL) wet-weather and dry-weather numeric limit waste load allocations (WLAs);
3. Characterize pollutant loads in MS4 discharges;
4. Identify sources of pollutants in MS4 discharges; and
5. Measure and improve the effectiveness of pollutant controls implemented under the Permit.

The Permit encourages watershed management groups (WMGs) developing and implementing an EWMP to also coordinate their monitoring efforts through a CIMP. Although the CIMP can be customized by the WMG, it must achieve the 5 primary objectives described in the stormwater Permit and have certain required elements. The customization allows a group of agencies to realize efficiencies in terms of cost through coordination and elimination of duplication of effort.

1.1 Beach Cities Watershed Management Group Watershed Management Plan Area Overview

Located in southwest Los Angeles County and including portions of the Santa Monica Bay and Dominguez Channel watersheds, (see **Figure 1**), the 31 square miles of the Beach Cities WMG area occupies just over three and eighteen percent of the total Santa Monica Bay and Dominguez Channel watershed management areas, respectively. The Beach Cities WMG is comprised of the

Beach Cities CIMP

Cities of Hermosa Beach, Manhattan Beach, Redondo Beach, and Torrance and the Los Angeles County Flood Control District (LACFCD). These Cities, along with the major subwatershed boundaries shown in yellow, are identified in **Figure 2**.

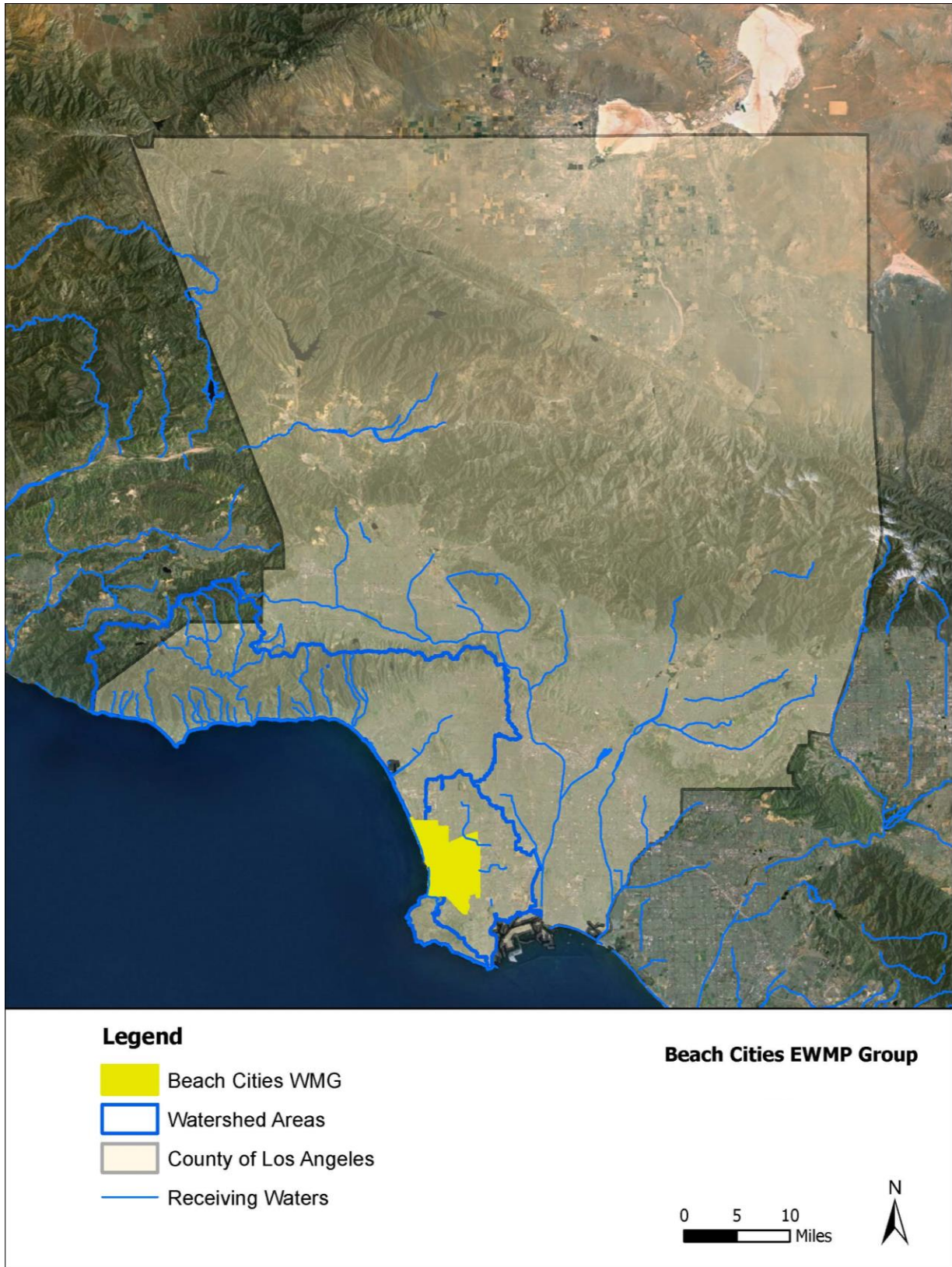


Figure 1 Beach Cities Watershed Management Group Location within Los Angeles County

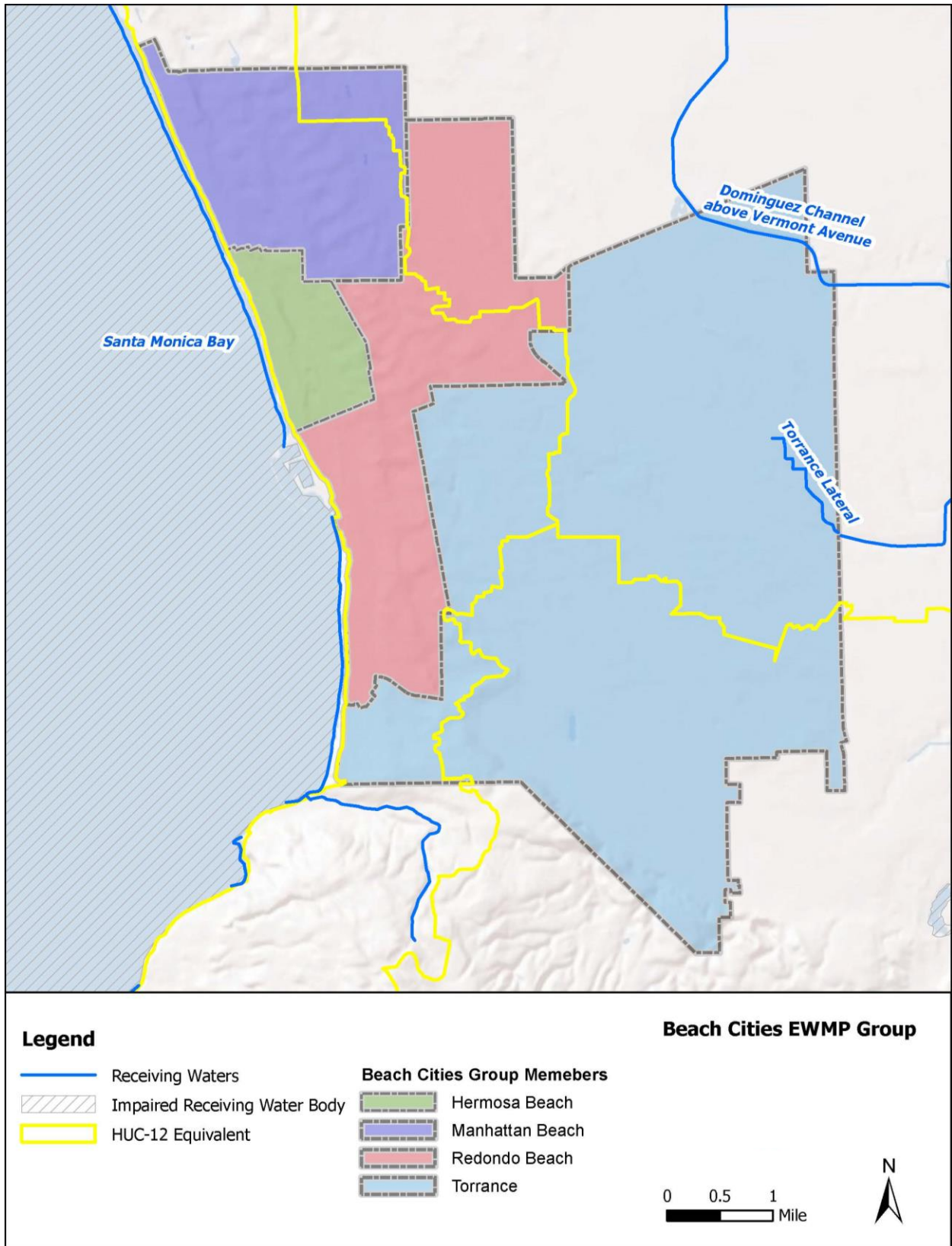


Figure 2 Jurisdictional Boundaries for the Beach Cities WMG

1.1.1 Santa Monica Bay Watershed

As a regional component of the Southern California Bight, the Santa Monica Bay is the largest coastal element of Los Angeles County and extends from Point Dume, in the north near the Ventura County line, to the Palos Verdes Peninsula, in the south. The approximately 414 square mile Santa Monica Bay watershed begins as ridgelines in the south Ventura and Los Angeles County border area that traverse east across the Santa Monica Mountains to Griffith Park, then southwest across the Los Angeles Coastal Plain to include Ballona Creek and the northern side of the Baldwin Hills. South of Ballona Creek, the watershed includes a relatively narrow coastal bluff that extends to the Palos Verdes Peninsula and forms the southern boundary area. Within the greater Santa Monica Bay watershed, the Regional Board identified 9 subwatersheds, including the Hermosa and Redondo subwatersheds, which fall into the Beach Cities WMG, with approximate catchment areas of 2,718 and 5,377 acres, respectively.

These two subwatersheds were also designated by the Regional Board as Jurisdictional Groups 5 and 6 (JG5/6) in the Santa Monica Bay Beaches Bacteria TMDL. JG5 includes portions of the Cities of El Segundo, Hermosa Beach, and Manhattan Beach (lead agency) and the California Department of Transportation (Caltrans). JG6 includes portions of the Cities of Hermosa Beach, Manhattan Beach, Redondo Beach (lead agency), and Torrance, and Caltrans. The Beach Cities WMG extends beyond JG5/6 to include areas in the Dominguez Channel, while JG5/6 includes areas, such as the City of El Segundo and Caltrans that are not Beach Cities WMG members.

1.1.2 Dominguez Channel Watershed

The Dominguez Channel watershed is located within southern Los Angeles County and encompasses approximately 133 square miles of land and water which covers the harbor areas. Approximately 81 percent of the watershed area, or 93 percent of the land area, is developed. Residential development covers nearly 40 percent of the watershed, 41 percent is overlaid by industrial, commercial and transportation land uses, 12 percent is educational or open spaces, and 7 percent consists of water. Included within the Dominguez Channel watershed is the Machado Lake subwatershed (20 square miles), along with fresh and estuarine channel areas.

1.1.3 Beach Cities WMG Land Uses

The Beach Cities WMG area is predominately composed of residential areas, with significant commercial land use areas adjacent to major boulevards. Within the Torrance-Carson Lateral subwatershed of the Dominguez Channel watershed portion of the City of Torrance there are significant industrial land use areas, including an extensive refinery complex. Agricultural, education, open space, and transportation land uses typically represent minor fractions within each jurisdiction. For each City within the Beach Cities WMG, a summary of approximate area and percent of constituent land use categories is summarized in **Table 1** and presented in **Figure 3**.

Table 1 Land Use Summary by Beach Cities WMG Jurisdiction

| Jurisdiction | Area (Acres) | Percent of Jurisdiction ¹ | | | | | | |
|-------------------------|--------------|--------------------------------------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-------|------|
| | | Ag | Com | Ind | Edu | Res | Trans | Open |
| Hermosa Beach | 845 | 0% | 15% | 2% | 2% | 75% | 0% | 6% |
| Manhattan Beach | 2,447 | 0% | 13% | 4% | 5% | 71% | 0% | 7% |
| Redondo Beach | 3,859 | 1% | 14% | 8% | 4% | 68% | 0.5% | 4.5% |
| Torrance | 13,104 | 1% | 16% | 16% | 4% | 54% | 3% | 6% |
| LACFCD | N/A | N/A | N/A | N/A | N/A | N/A | N/A | N/A |
| Beach Cities WMG Totals | 20,255 | 1% | 15% | 13% | 4% | 59% | 2% | 6% |

¹ Land use classifications include: agriculture (Ag), commercial (Com), industrial (Ind), education (Edu), residential (Res), transportation (Trans), and open space (Open). Land uses from Southern California Association of Governments (SCAG) data, 2005.

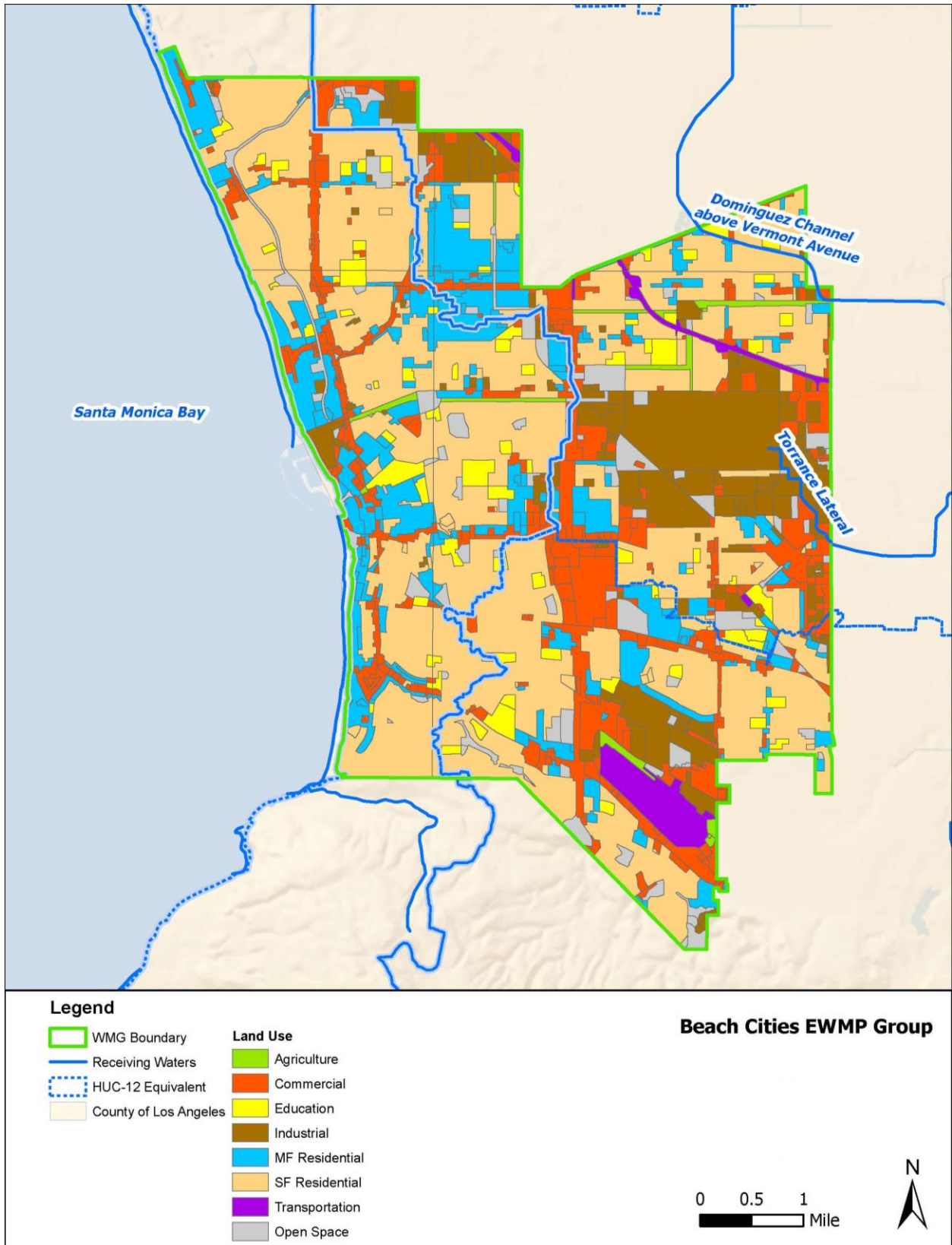


Figure 3 Land Use Categories within the Beach Cities WMG Area

1.1.4 Hydrologic Units

Attachment B, of the MS4 Permit, presents the mapped United States Geological Survey Hydrologic Units, and other features, based on historical Hydrologic Unit Codes (HUC-12) watershed boundaries. In-lieu of these Permit specified hydrologic boundaries, the March 26, 2014 Regional Board Reasonable Assurance Analysis (RAA) Guidelines allow WMGs to use updated "equivalent" HUC-12 watersheds, prepared by the LACFCD. Using the shared HUC-12 nomenclature and numbering conventions, the three "equivalent" HUC-12 boundaries within the Beach Cities WMG shown in **Figure 4**, are as follows:

- Long Beach Harbor (180701060701);
- Lower Dominguez Channel (180701060102); and
- Manhattan Beach – Frontal Santa Monica Bay (180701040500).

Water bodies of primary importance to the Beach Cities WMG and regulated by the State as receiving waters, include:

- Santa Monica Bay;
- Dominguez Channel; and
- Torrance-Carson Lateral (also known as Torrance Carson Channel).

Receiving waters immediately downstream of the WMG and potentially impacted by MS4 discharges from the Beach Cities WMG include:

- Dominguez Channel Estuary;
- Machado Lake;
- Wilmington Drain; and
- Los Angeles and Long Beach Harbors

Identified storm drains and storm drain outfalls within the Beach Cities WMG area are presented in **Figure 5**.

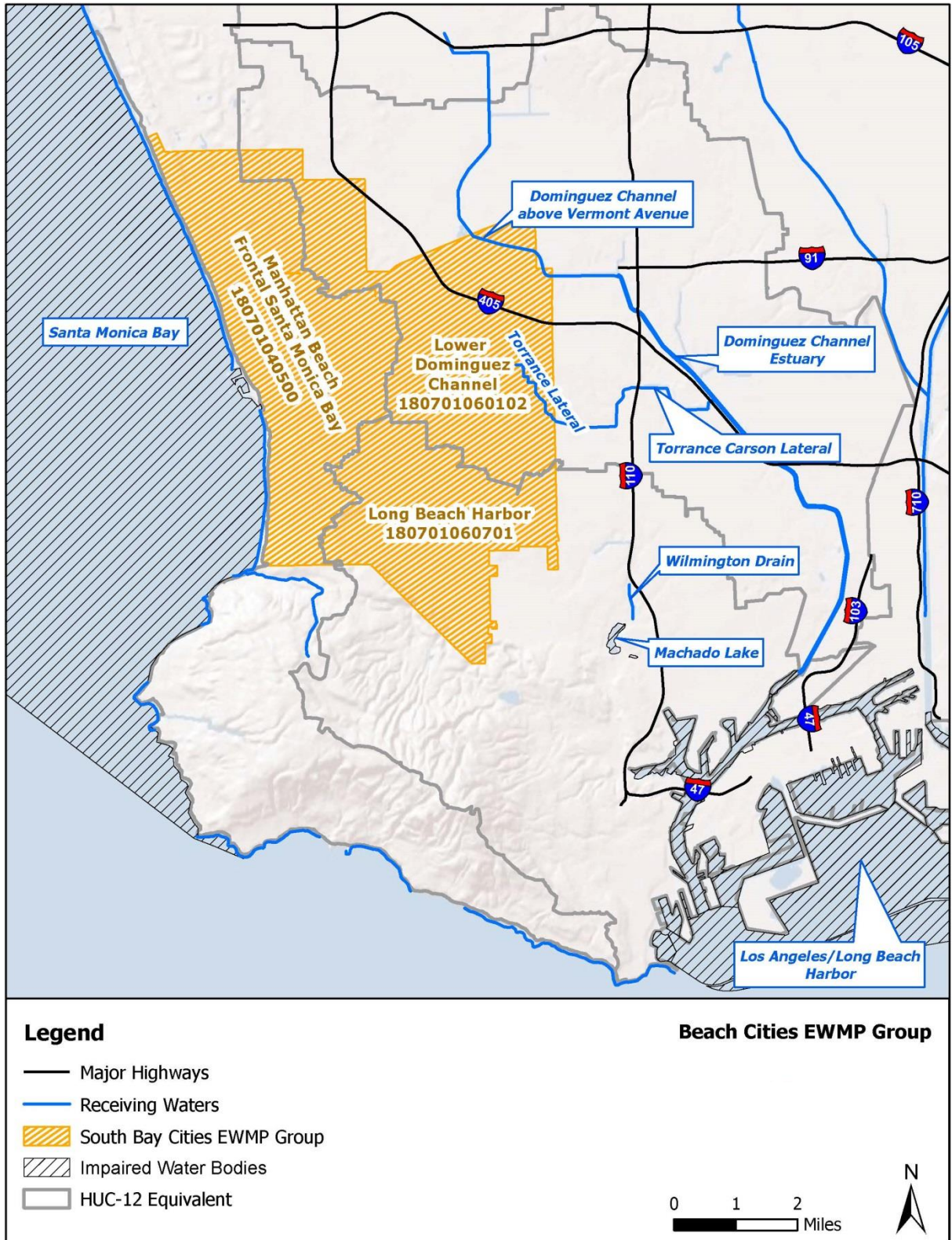


Figure 4 Equivalent HUC-12 Watersheds and Impaired Water Bodies

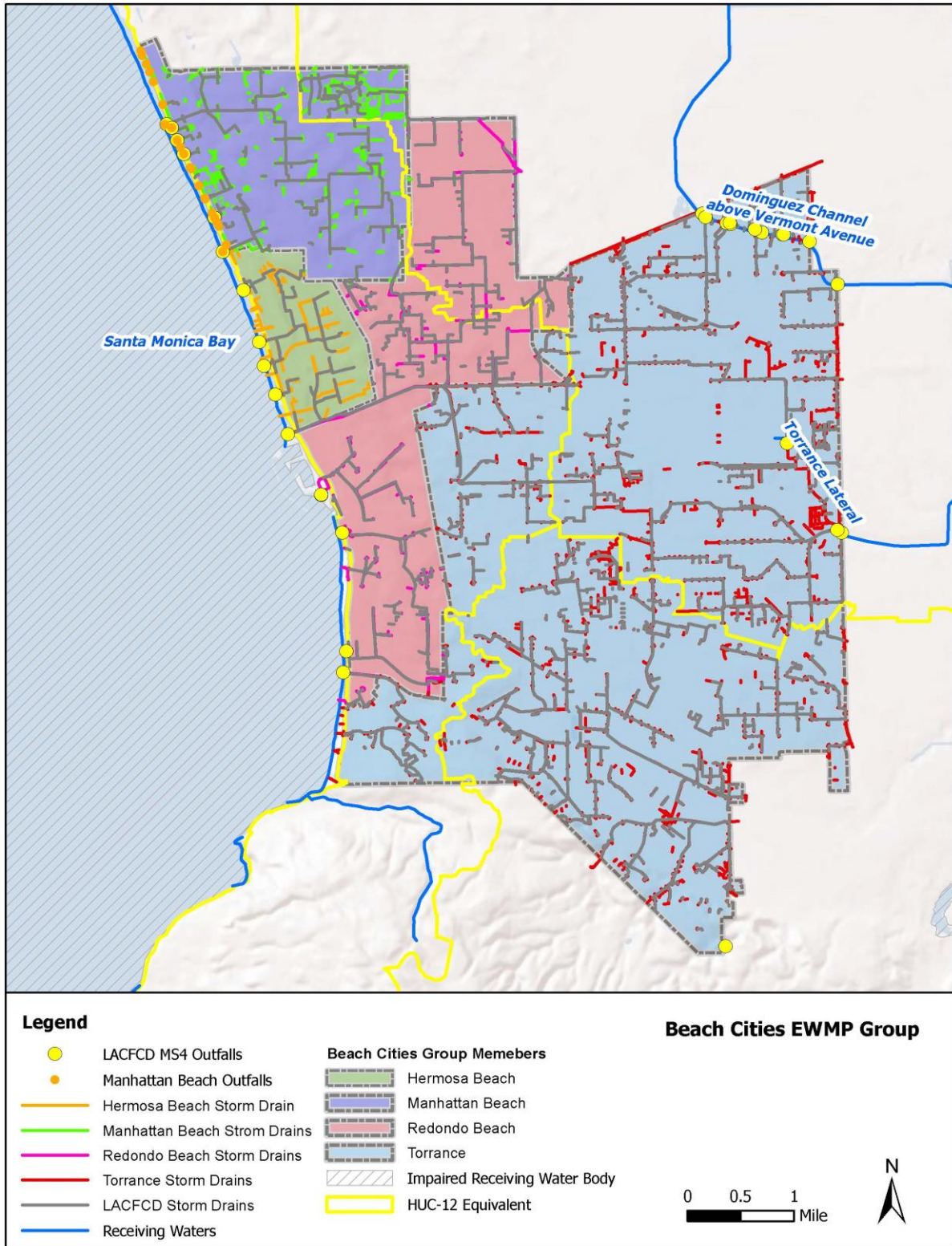


Figure 5 MS4 Drainage System Elements and Outfalls identified by the Beach Cities WMG

1.2 Water Quality Priorities

Based on the water quality characterization conducted as part of the EWMP Work Plan, the water body–pollutant combinations (WBPCs) have been classified into one of three categories in accordance with Section IV.C.5(a)ii of the Permit.

This categorization is intended to guide the implementation of structural and institutional best management practices (BMPs) and monitoring activities in the CIMP. **Table 2** presents the identified water quality priorities for the Beach Cities WMG.

Table 2 Water Body Pollutant Prioritization

| Category | Water Body | Pollutant | Compliance Deadline |
|-----------------------------|---|--|--|
| 1: Highest Priority | Santa Monica Bay Beaches | Dry Weather Bacteria | 7/15/2006 (Final: Single sample summer AEDs met) |
| | | | 11/1/2009 (Final: Single sample winter AEDs met) ^a |
| | | Wet Weather Bacteria | 7/15/2009 (Interim: 10% Single sample ED reduction) |
| | | | 7/15/2021 (Final: Single sample AED and GM targets met) ^a |
| | Santa Monica Bay | Trash/Debris | 3/20/2016 (20% reduction) |
| | | | 3/20/2020 (100% reduction) |
| | | DDTs | [Compliance schedule may be developed through the EWMP] ^b |
| | PCBs | [Compliance schedule may be developed through the EWMP] ^b | |
| | Dominguez Channel (including Torrance Lateral) ^c | Toxicity | 3/23/2012 (Interim wet weather: 2 TUC) |
| | | | 3/23/2032 (Final wet weather: 1 TUC) |
| | | Total Copper | 3/23/2012 (Interim wet weather: 207.51 ug/L) |
| | | | 3/23/2032 (Final wet weather: 1,300.3 g/day) |
| | | | 3/23/2032 (Final wet weather, Torrance Lateral: 9.7 ug/L) |
| | | Total Lead | 3/23/2012 (Interim wet weather: 122.88 ug/L) |
| | | | 3/23/2032 (Final wet weather: 5,733.7 g/day) |
| | | | 3/23/2032 (Final wet weather, Torrance Lateral: 35.8 ug/L) |
| | | Total Zinc | 3/23/2012 (Interim wet weather: 898.87 ug/L) |
| | | | 3/23/2032 (Final wet weather: 9,355.5 g/day) |
| | | | 3/23/2032 (Final wet weather, Torrance Lateral: 69.7 ug/L) |
| | | | Total Phosphorus ^d |
| 9/11/2018 (Final: 0.1 mg/L) | | | |
| Total Nitrogen ^d | 3/11/2014 (Interim: 2.45 mg/L) | | |
| | 9/11/2018 (Final: 1.0 mg/L) | | |
| Chlordane (tissue) | 9/30/2019 (In sediment, wet and dry weather: 3.24 µg/kg dry weight) | | |
| Total DDT (tissue) | 9/30/2019 (In sediment, wet and dry weather: 5.28 µg/kg dry weight) | | |

Table 2 Water Body Pollutant Prioritization

| Category | Water Body | Pollutant | Compliance Deadline |
|---------------------------|--|---------------------|---|
| | Machado Lake | Dieldrin (tissue) | 9/30/2019 (In sediment, wet and dry weather: 1.9 µg/kg dry weight) |
| | | Total PCBs (tissue) | 9/30/2019 (In sediment, wet and dry weather: 59.8 µg/kg dry weight) |
| | | Trash | 3/6/2012 (20% reduction) |
| | | | 3/6/2013 (40 % reduction) |
| | | | 3/6/2014 (60% reduction) |
| | | | 3/6/2015 (80% reduction) |
| 3/6/2016 (100% reduction) | | | |
| 2: High Priority | Dominguez Channel (including Torrance Lateral) | Indicator Bacteria | N/A |
| 3: Medium Priority | Dominguez Channel (including Torrance Lateral) | Cyanide | N/A |
| | | pH | N/A |
| | | Selenium | N/A |
| | | Mercury | N/A |
| | | Cadmium | N/A |

^a Compliance date per 2013 reopened TMDL, which is not yet effective (i.e., USEPA and Office of Administrative Law approval is pending).

^b Although the TMDL lacks a formal compliance schedule for the WQBEL, the TMDL Executive Summary does state, “The time frame for attainment of the TMDL targets for the rest of Santa Monica Bay (other than the Palos Verdes shelf) is 11 years for DDT and 22 years for PCBs.”

^c For metals, the TMDL sets a final mass-based WLA for MS4 contributions within Dominguez Channel above Vermont Avenue. For Torrance Lateral, a concentration-based WLA is set for water and sediment (mg/kg dry). Metal WLAs are set based on a hardness of 50 mg/L and 90th percentile flow rates (62.7 cfs in Dominguez Channel).

^d The City of Torrance submitted a special study work plan, which was approved the Regional Water Board Executive Officer, and established the following annual mass-based water quality based effluent limitations: interim total phosphorus annual load (by 3/11/2014): 3,760 kg; final total phosphorus annual load (by 9/11/2018): 301 kg; interim total nitrogen annual load (by 3/11/2014): 7,370 kg; final total nitrogen annual load (by 9/11/2018): 3,008 kg.

As part of the adaptive management process (AMP), categorization of WBPCs may be adjusted based on data obtained from monitoring, source evaluations, and BMP implementation. Data collected following CIMP approval may result in the addition of Category 3 designations in instances when receiving water limits are exceeded and MS4 discharges are identified as contributing to such exceedances. Under these conditions, the appropriate agencies will adhere to Section VI.C.2.a.iii of the Permit.

Additional details and supporting information for monitoring to address priorities can be found in the Beach Cities WMG EWMP Work Plan.

1.3 CIMP Overview

The CIMP is designed to provide the information necessary to guide management decisions in addition to providing a means to measure compliance with the Permit. The Beach Cities WMG’s CIMP addresses the six required elements:

1. Receiving Water Monitoring
2. Stormwater Outfall Monitoring
3. Non-Stormwater Outfall Monitoring

4. New Development and Redevelopment Effectiveness Tracking
5. Regional Studies
6. Special Studies

Each of the six CIMP elements is briefly discussed below.

1.3.1 Receiving Water Monitoring

Receiving water monitoring is intended to assess whether water quality objectives are being achieved, to determine if beneficial uses are being supported, and to track trends in constituent concentrations over time.

The CIMP proposes two (2) new near-shore monitoring locations in the Santa Monica Bay for sampling and analysis of the MRP-required suite of analytical parameters designed to assess the impacts from the storm drain discharges on water quality in the Santa Monica Bay. Ongoing Coordinated Shoreline Monitoring ankle-deep in the wave wash consistent with the Santa Monica Bay Beaches Bacteria TMDL will continue at the same frequency and at the same eleven (11) locations as specified in the approved Coordinated Shoreline Monitoring Plan consistent with the Santa Monica Bay Beaches Bacteria TMDL. Similarly mass emissions monitoring at the Dominguez Channel within the Beach Cities WMG will also continue. **Section 2** discusses the Beach Cities WMG's receiving water monitoring program in further detail.

1.3.2 Stormwater Outfall Monitoring

Stormwater outfall monitoring is intended to assess discharge water quality relative to municipal action limits (MALs), WQBELs derived from TMDL WLAs, as well as the potential to have caused or contributed to exceedances of RWLs derived from TMDL WLAs or receiving water quality objectives.

Seven stormwater outfall monitoring sites were selected. The selected sites are representative of a combination of the HUC-12s, jurisdictions, and/or land uses within each catchment area. A synopsis of each potential outfall catchment area, along with an analysis of its land use/zoning characteristics is summarized in **Section 4**.

1.3.3 Non-Stormwater Outfall Program

To fulfill the Permit requirements, the MRP requires Permittees to implement a non-stormwater outfall based screening and monitoring program. The Non-Stormwater Outfall Screening and Monitoring Program (Non-Stormwater Program) is focused on non-stormwater discharges to receiving waters from MS4 outfalls.

The Beach Cities WMG has been addressing non-stormwater flow to Santa Monica Bay through the installation of low flow diversions (LFDs). The Beach Cities WMG's Non-Stormwater Program will collect information necessary to identify significant non-stormwater discharges from major outfalls and conduct the screening process and prioritization prior to non-stormwater outfall monitoring. Details of the Non-Stormwater Program are presented in **Section 5**.

1.3.4 New Development and Redevelopment Effectiveness Tracking

The New Development/Re-Development Effectiveness Tracking is required to identify the information necessary for data management and annual compliance reporting. Each jurisdiction will be individually responsible for tracking Permit requirements based on their specific operational procedures and internal processes. Each individual Permittee within the Beach Cities WMG will maintain an informational database record for each new development/re-development project subject to the Permit's Planning and Land Development Program as adopted via each Permittee's Low Impact Development (LID) Ordinance. **Section 6** summarizes the new development and redevelopment effectiveness tracking program to be implemented by the Beach Cities WMG Permittees.

1.3.5 Regional Studies

LACFCD will continue to participate in the Regional Watershed Monitoring Program (Bioassessment Program) being managed by the Southern California Stormwater Monitoring Coalition (SMC). The LACFCD will contribute resources to implement the bioassessment monitoring during the current Permit cycle. **Section 7** presents the regional studies approach for the Beach Cities WMG.

1.3.6 Special Studies

The MRP requires each Permittee to be responsible for conducting special studies if required in an effective TMDL or an approved TMDL Monitoring Plan. The City of Torrance has received approval for a Special Study Work Plan for the Machado Lake Nutrient TMDL. There are no other required special studies applicable to the Beach Cities WMG. Optional special studies are further discussed in **Section 8**.

2.0 Receiving Water Monitoring Program

While the Permit does not specify a required number of receiving water monitoring sites, The MRP suggests that receiving water monitoring be performed at: (1) previously designated mass emission stations (MES); (2) TMDL receiving water compliance points; and (3) additional receiving water locations representative of the impacts from MS4 discharges. These locations serve to address the receiving water monitoring program objectives described in the MRP introduction, in particular that a robust dataset of past monitoring data can facilitate trends analyses. Receiving water monitoring site locations that were selected and the basis for their selection are addressed in the following subsections.

2.1 Receiving Water Monitoring Objectives

The objectives of the receiving water monitoring include the following (Part II.E.1 of the MRP):

- Determine whether the receiving water limitations are being achieved;
- Assess trends in pollutant concentrations over time, or during specified conditions; and
- Determine whether the designated beneficial uses are fully supported as determined by water chemistry, as well as aquatic toxicity and bioassessment monitoring.

To accomplish these objectives, TMDL receiving water monitoring as specified in approved TMDL monitoring plans will continue and additional Permit receiving water monitoring will be conducted to meet the Permit monitoring objectives to assess the effects of MS4 discharges on receiving water quality.

2.2 Receiving Water Monitoring Sites

As stated above, the primary objective of receiving water monitoring is to assess trends in pollutant concentrations over time, or during specified conditions. For that reason, an important characteristic of an ideal receiving water monitoring site is that it has a large dataset from previously collected monitoring events that covers both a large timespan as well as a range of conditions.

As summarized and presented in **Appendix A** and **Appendix B**, an existing MES within the Beach Cities WMG area along the Dominguez Channel (S28) will serve as the receiving water monitoring location for the Beach Cities WMG on the Dominguez Channel. The County of Los Angeles has committed to maintaining this monitoring station. The CIMP proposes two (2) new near-shore monitoring locations within 1,000 feet from the shoreline in the Santa Monica Bay in line with the two largest outfalls from the Beach Cities WMG for sampling and analysis of an expanded, Permit-required suite of analytical parameters designed to assess the impacts from the storm drain discharges on water quality in the Santa Monica Bay. Ongoing Coordinated Shoreline Monitoring ankle-deep in the wave wash consistent with the Santa Monica Bay Beaches Bacteria TMDL will continue at the same frequency and at the same eleven (11) locations as specified in the approved Coordinated Shoreline Monitoring Plan consistent with the Santa Monica Bay Beaches Bacteria TMDL. While the existing shoreline monitoring sites will achieve monitoring objectives for the existing TMDL monitoring program for water-contact recreational beneficial uses, the nearshore monitoring locations will more accurately assess the overall impact of the MS4 on the other beneficial uses of Santa Monica Bay.

Figure 6 presents the approximate locations of the receiving water monitoring sites RW-BCEG-1 and -2 and the MES site in the Beach Cities WMG. Fact sheets summarizing characteristics of sites RW-BCEG-1 and -2 are presented in **Appendix C**.

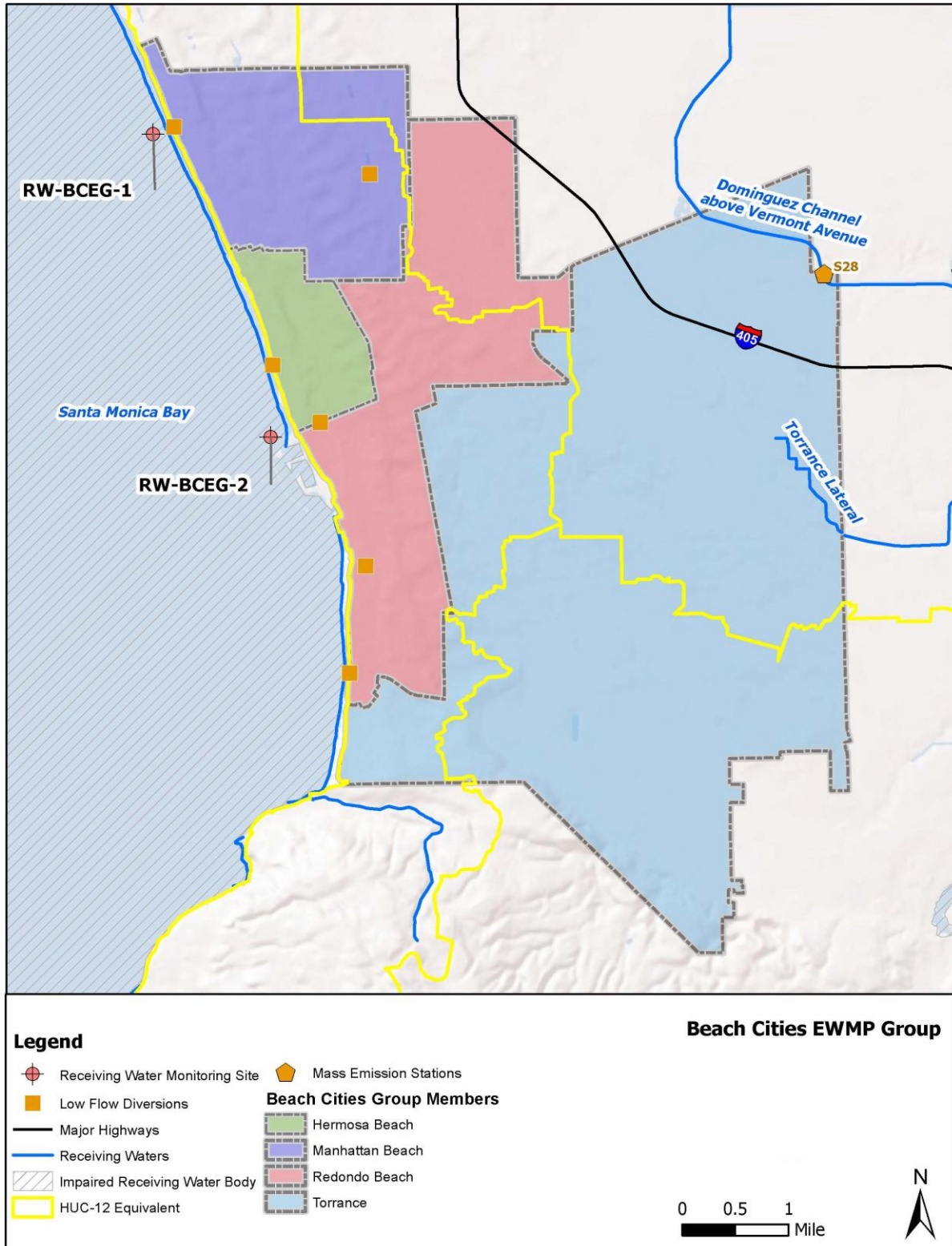


Figure 6 Beach Cities WMG Receiving Water Monitoring Locations

2.2.1 Santa Monica Bay

As described above, the Beach Cities WMG will monitor two receiving water monitoring sites, RW-BCEG-1 and -2, in Santa Monica Bay. Receiving water monitoring site RW-BCEG-1 will be located in the nearshore zone in line with outfall OF-BCEG-1 in the jurisdiction of the City of Manhattan Beach, while RW-BCEG-2 will be located in the nearshore zone in line with the major storm drain outfall at Herondo Street. Samples will be collected at the point of initial dilution of a plume which will be dependent on the intensity of a qualifying storm event and of the current velocity and wave mixing action. Samples will be collected via boat in accordance with the City of Los Angeles Environmental Monitoring Division (EMD) standard operating procedures. **Table 3** identifies the receiving water monitoring locations by latitude and longitude and **Figure 6** presents the site locations.

Table 3 Summary of Receiving Water Monitoring Site

| Site ID | Latitude | Longitude | County Equivalent Hydrologic Unit Code (HUC)-12 |
|-----------|-----------|-------------|--|
| RW-BCEG-1 | 33.892541 | -118.421732 | Manhattan Beach Frontal Santa Monica Bay (1807010406010) |
| RW-BCEG-2 | 33.851637 | -118.402488 | Manhattan Beach Frontal Santa Monica Bay (1807010406010) |

2.2.2 Dominguez Channel

Receiving water monitoring in the Dominguez Channel will be coordinated with the LACFCD. The LACFCD has committed to the continued monitoring of the existing Dominguez Channel MES S28, located at the intersection of the Dominguez Channel and Artesia Boulevard in the northeast section of the City of Torrance.

2.2.3 TMDL Monitoring

TMDLs applicable to the Beach Cities WMG members are listed in Attachment K of the Permit and presented in Table K-2 for Santa Monica Bay and Table K-4 for the Dominguez Channel watershed. Storm flows from the Beach Cities WMG discharge directly to Santa Monica Bay. Storm flows from the Beach Cities WMG to Machado Lake and the Dominguez Channel Estuary are indirect and comingled with flows from other WMGs. The TMDLs of concern to the Beach Cities WMG are summarized in **Table 4** as follows:

Table 4 Beach Cities TMDLs

| Water Body | Pollutant | Notes |
|---------------------------------------|---------------------------|---|
| Santa Monica Bay Beaches ^a | Coliform Bacteria | Addressed by Bacteria TMDL, effective July 15, 2003 |
| | DDT | Addressed by PCB/DDT TMDL, effective March 26, 2012 |
| | PCBs | |
| Santa Monica Bay Offshore/Nearshore | Debris | Addressed by Debris TMDL, effective March 20, 2012 |
| | DDT (tissue & sediment) | Addressed by PCB/DDT TMDL, effective March 26, 2012 |
| | PCBs (tissue & sediment) | |
| | Sediment Toxicity | |
| | Fish Consumption Advisory | |

Table 4 Beach Cities TMDLs

| Water Body | | Pollutant | Notes |
|---|--|---|--|
| Dominguez Channel | Dominguez Channel (lined portion above Vermont Ave) | Copper | Addressed by Dominguez Channel Toxics TMDL, effective March 23, 2012 |
| | | Diazinon ^b | |
| | | Lead | |
| | | Toxicity | |
| | | Zinc | |
| | Machado Lake | Algae | Addressed by Machado Lake Nutrient TMDL, effective March 11, 2009 |
| | | Ammonia | |
| | | Eutrophic | |
| | | Odor | |
| | | ChemA (tissue) | Addressed by Machado Lake Toxics TMDL, effective March 20, 2012 |
| | | Chlordane (tissue) | |
| | | DDT (tissue) | |
| | | Dieldrin (tissue) | |
| | | PCBs (tissue) | Addressed by Machado Lake Trash TMDL, effective March 6, 2008 |
| | Trash | | |
| Torrance Carson Channel (Torrance Lateral) | Copper | Addressed by Dominguez Channel Toxics TMDL | |
| | Lead | | |
| | Coliform Bacteria | Listed prior to 2006; no listing data available | |

^a These beach listings include Manhattan Beach, Hermosa Beach, Redondo Beach, and Torrance Beach for bacteria, as well as Redondo Beach for DDT and PCBs.

^b EPA banned diazinon on December 31, 2005. Data from 2006-2010 show no diazinon exceedances in Dominguez Channel. Based on these results, no diazinon TMDLs have been developed at this time.

To satisfy the receiving water monitoring requirements for the SMBBB TMDL, eleven existing monitoring sites will continue to be monitored in accordance with the Coordinated Shoreline Monitoring Plan. The eleven existing monitoring sites are listed as follows:

- SMB 5-1
- SMB 5-2
- SMB 5-3
- SMB 5-4
- SMB 5-5
- SMB 6-1
- SMB 6-2
- SMB 6-3
- SMB 6-4
- SMB 6-5
- SMB 6-6

Attainment of the SMB DDT and PCB TMDL WLAs for the Beach Cities WMG will be addressed through stormwater outfall monitoring to assess the sediment borne loading of DDT and PCBs from the MS4 to SMB. The SMB Debris TMDL does not require receiving water monitoring, and the Beach Cities WMG members are not required to conduct any type of monitoring if complying with the WLAs through the implementation of BMPs, such as full capture systems. WMG members are to report compliance strategy through the development of a Trash Monitoring and Reporting Plan (TMRP) and Plastic Pellets Monitoring and Reporting Plan (PMRP), or demonstrate that a PMRP is not required, to be approved by the Regional Board. All Permittees within the Beach Cities WMG required to submit a TMRP and/or PMRP have done so. Submitted TMRPs and PMRPs for each jurisdiction will be implemented individually by the corresponding jurisdiction, once approved by the Regional Board.

The City of Torrance has previously developed and submitted Monitoring Plans required by the Machado Lake Nutrient, Toxics and Trash TMDLs to the Regional Board. This portion of the Beach Cities WMG TMDL requirements, summarized in **Appendix A**, will be addressed by the individual Monitoring Plans submitted for approval to the Regional Board. Copies of the submitted Monitoring Plans are attached in **Appendix B**. **Figure 7** presents TMDL and other existing monitoring sites within the Beach Cities WMG.

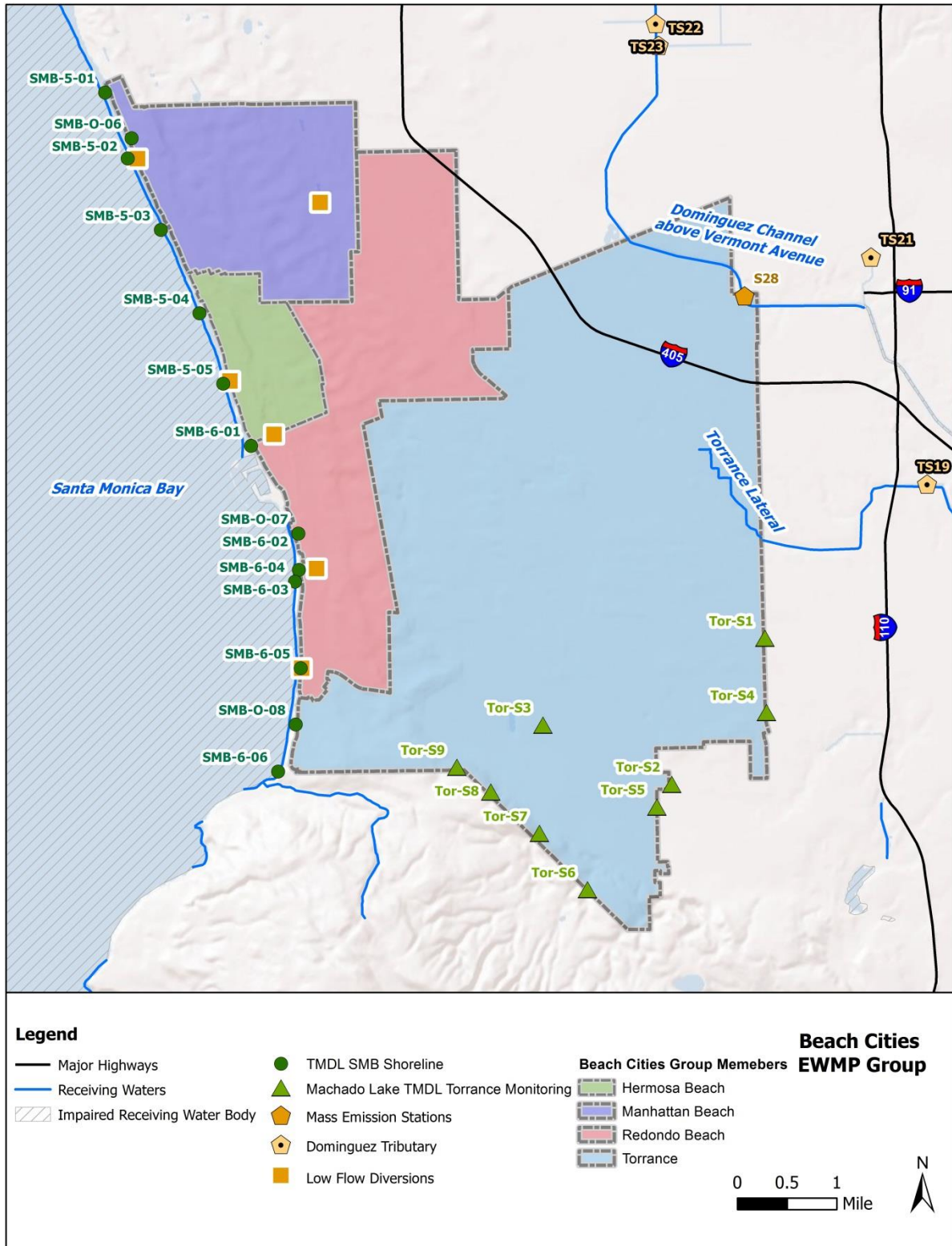


Figure 7 Reported Monitoring Stations within the Beach Cities WMG Area

2.3 Monitored Frequency, Parameters, and Duration of Monitoring

Each constituent required to be monitored by the MRP is addressed by the receiving water monitoring sites RW-BCEG-1 and -2. The frequency, parameters, and duration of monitoring that will be conducted as part of SMB TMDL monitoring, as well as CIMP-specific wet and dry-weather monitoring will be addressed in the following subsections. Parameters for monitoring were based on the water quality priorities, as discussed in **Section 1.2**. Additional analytical and monitoring procedures are presented in the Analytical and Monitoring Procedures in **Appendix D**.

2.3.1 SMB TMDLs

The Beach Cities WMG shoreline monitoring schedule currently has nine monitoring sites sampled on a weekly basis and two sampled five times per week. MRP section VI.B.2.c of the MS4 Permit requires all SMBBB TMDL shoreline monitoring sites not subject to the TMDL anti-degradation provision to be monitored on a five times per week schedule in place of the current SMBBB TMDL sampling schedule. This would entail increasing the frequency of monitoring at monitoring sites SMB 6-3 and 6-4. The Beach Cities WMG is proposing to keep the current sampling schedule since each shoreline monitoring site has one or more of the following characteristics:

- The site is subject to the anti-degradation criterion;
- The site is located at an open beach with no MS4 discharge;
- Four out of the last five years are in compliance with the AEDs during the high REC use season (summer dry), and both of the last two years are in compliance; and/or
- An LFD, which diverts all dry-weather flow, is located upstream of the site.

Table 5 indicates which of the three characteristics listed above apply to each shoreline monitoring site, and includes additional location information for each site.

Table 5 Santa Monica Bay Beaches Bacteria TMDL Shoreline Monitoring Sites Sampling Schedule

| Site ID | Coordinates | | JG | Sampling Point | Description | LFD | Sampling Schedule |
|----------|-------------|------------|----|----------------|--|-----|-------------------|
| | Lat | Long | | | | | |
| SMB-5-1* | 33.90390 | -118.42250 | 5 | Open Beach | Manhattan Beach at 40th Street (S13) | No | Weekly |
| SMB-5-2 | 33.89444 | -118.41800 | 5 | Point Zero | 28th Street storm drain at Manhattan Beach (DHS113) | Yes | Daily |
| SMB-5-3* | 33.88422 | -118.41100 | 5 | Point Zero | 36" storm drain under the Manhattan Beach Pier (S14) | Yes | Weekly |
| SMB-5-4* | 33.87146 | -118.40663 | 5 | Open Beach | Hermosa Beach at 26th Street (DHS114) | No | Weekly |
| SMB-5-5* | 33.86112 | -118.40270 | 5 | Open Beach | Hermosa Beach Pier (S15) | Yes | Weekly |
| SMB-6-1 | 33.85199 | -118.39800 | 6 | Point Zero | Herondo storm drain (DHS115) | Yes | Daily |
| SMB-6-2* | 33.83908 | -118.39000 | 6 | Open Beach | Redondo Beach 100 yards south of the pier (S16) | No | Weekly |
| SMB-6-3 | 33.83378 | -118.39000 | 6 | Point Zero | 4' x 4' box structure at Redondo Beach | Yes | Weekly |

Table 5 Santa Monica Bay Beaches Bacteria TMDL Shoreline Monitoring Sites Sampling Schedule

| Site ID | Coordinates | | JG | Sampling Point | Description | LFD | Sampling Schedule |
|----------|-------------|------------|----|----------------|--|-----|-------------------|
| | Lat | Long | | | | | |
| SMB-6-4 | 33.83207 | -118.39071 | 6 | Open Beach | Redondo Beach approximately 120 feet north of Topaz groin (DHS116) | No | Weekly |
| SMB-6-5* | 33.81944 | -118.39000 | 6 | Point Zero | Avenue I storm drain at Redondo Beach (S17) | Yes | Weekly |
| SMB-6-6* | 33.80440 | -118.39424 | 6 | Open Beach | Malaga Cove (S18) | No | Weekly |

* Beach monitoring locations subject to the anti-degradation implementation provision in the TMDL.

Receiving water monitoring sites RW-BCEG-1 and -2 have been selected as the monitoring sites for the SMB Toxics TMDL, as mentioned in Section 2.2.1. It is proposed that three wet-weather sampling events be conducted to evaluate the annual WLA of DDT and PCB for the Beach Cities WMG based on the three (3) year average loading.

A summary of constituents and monitoring frequencies for each of the receiving water monitoring sites is presented in **Table 6**.

2.3.2 Wet-Weather

For the CIMP receiving water monitoring sites within the Beach Cities WMG, RW-BCEG-1 and -2, wet-weather is defined as a storm event of greater than or equal to 0.1 inches of precipitation, as measured from at least 50 percent of the Los Angeles County controlled rain gauges within the watershed. Wet weather monitoring will be triggered by forecasts of at least 0.25 inches of rainfall at a 70% probability at least 24 hours prior to the event start time. Because a significant storm event is based on predicted rainfall, it is recognized that this monitoring may be triggered without 0.25 inches of rainfall actually occurring. In this case, the monitoring event will still qualify as meeting this requirement provided that sufficient sample volume is collected to do all required laboratory analysis. Documentation will be provided showing the predicted rainfall amount. Wet-weather monitoring will be conducted three times a year for all parameters except for aquatic toxicity, which will be performed twice a year, per Part VI.C.1.a of the MRP. Wet-weather monitoring will target the first significant rain event of the storm year following the criteria outlined in Part VI.C.b.iii of the MRP, and at least two additional wet-weather events within the same wet-weather season. Wet-weather receiving water monitoring will be performed contemporaneously with stormwater outfall monitoring to be reflective of potential impacts from MS4 discharges. Parameters to be collected and sampling frequencies to address the receiving water monitoring requirements of the MRP are summarized in **Table 6**. Wet-weather receiving water monitoring will be conducted for the duration of the MS4 permit.

Table 6 Receiving Water Monitoring Sites, Constituents, and Annual Monitoring Frequency¹

| Constituents | Annual Frequency Wet/Dry ⁽¹⁾ | |
|---|---|--------------------------------|
| | RW-BCEG-1 and -2 | All Shoreline Monitoring Sites |
| Flow and field parameters ⁽²⁾ | 3/0 | |
| Pollutants identified in Table E-2 of the MRP ⁽³⁾ | 1 ^(3,4) /0 | |
| Aquatic Toxicity and Toxicity Identification Evaluation (TIE) | 2/0 | |
| Total Coliform | | Daily/Weekly |
| Fecal Coliform | | Daily/Weekly |
| Enterococcus | | Daily/Weekly |

1. Annual frequency listed as number of wet-weather/dry-weather events per year, respectively (e.g., 3/0 signifies three wet weather and two dry weather events per year).
2. Field parameters are defined as Dissolved Oxygen, pH, temperature, and specific conductivity; ocean parameters will differ from fresh water parameters (TBD), for example flow is not applicable for ocean monitoring.
3. All pollutants identified in Table E-2 of the MRP not already explicitly addressed by monitoring at this site.
4. Monitoring frequency only applies during the first year of monitoring. For pollutants identified in Table E-2 of the MRP that are not detected at the Method Detection Limit (MDL) or the result is below the lowest applicable water quality objective, additional monitoring will not be conducted (i.e., the monitoring frequency will become 0/0). For pollutants detected above the lowest applicable water quality objective, future monitoring will be conducted at the frequency specified in the MRP (i.e., the monitoring frequency will become 3/2).

2.3.3 Dry-Weather

Part VI.D.1.a of the MRP states dry-weather receiving water monitoring shall be conducted two times per year. The Beach Cities WMG has installed LFDs to address dry-weather flows. The LFDs are operational year-round and divert dry-weather flows from the storm drains to the sanitary sewer system, keeping dry-weather flows from reaching Santa Monica Bay. Given that the LFDs divert all dry-weather flow from reaching Santa Monica Bay, the Beach Cities WMG has opted not to conduct dry-weather receiving water monitoring for Santa Monica Bay. All LFDs will be closely monitored and maintained to ensure that no dry-weather flow will reach the Santa Monica Bay shoreline.

3.0 GIS Database

To meet the requirements of Part VII of the MRP, a map(s) and/or database of the MS4 storm drains, channels, and outfalls will be submitted with the CIMP and include the following information (Part VII.A of the MRP):

1. Surface water bodies within the Permittee(s) jurisdiction
2. Sub-watershed (HUC-12) boundaries
3. Land use overlay
4. Effective Impervious Area (EIA) overlay (if available)
5. Jurisdictional boundaries
6. The location and length of all open channel and underground pipes 18 inches in diameter or greater (with the exception of catch basin connector pipes)
7. The location of all dry-weather diversions
8. The location of all major MS4 outfalls within the Permittee’s jurisdictional boundary. Each major outfall shall be assigned an alphanumeric identifier, which must be noted on the map

9. Notation of outfalls with significant non-stormwater discharges (to be updated annually)
10. Storm drain outfall catchment areas for each major outfall within the Permittee(s) jurisdiction
11. Each mapped MS4 outfall shall be linked to a database containing descriptive and monitoring data associated with the outfall. The data shall include:
 - a. Ownership
 - b. Coordinates
 - c. Physical description
 - d. Photographs of the outfall, where possible, to provide baseline information to track operation and maintenance needs over time
 - e. Determination of whether the outfall conveys significant non-stormwater discharges
 - f. Stormwater and non-stormwater monitoring data

Attachment A of the MS4 Permit defines a major MS4 outfall (or “major outfall”) as a municipal separate storm sewer outfall that discharges from a single pipe with an inside diameter of 36 inches or more or its equivalent (discharge from a single conveyance other than a circular pipe which is associated with a drainage area of more than 50 acres); or for municipal separate storm sewers that receive stormwater from lands zoned for industrial activity (based on comprehensive zoning plans or the equivalent), an outfall that discharges from a single pipe with an inside diameter of 12 inches or more or from its equivalent (discharge from other than a circular pipe associated with a drainage area of 2 acres or more) (40 CFR § 122.26(b)(5)).

Available GIS data were reviewed to determine whether components 1 through 11 from the list specified in the MRP were available for submittal. The availability of these components and, if applicable, the schedule for obtaining them are discussed in Sections 3.2 and 3.3.

3.1 Program Objectives

Each year, a storm drain, channel, and outfall map as well as an associated database for the Beach Cities WMG are required to be updated to incorporate the most recent characterization data for outfalls with significant non-stormwater discharge.

3.2 Available Information

The Beach Cities WMG reviewed Part VII.A of the MRP and gathered the available information for the group. The following data are readily available for submittal as a map and/or in a database (Note: the numbering below corresponds to the item number in the Permit list):

1. Surface water bodies within the Permittee(s) jurisdiction
2. Sub-watershed (HUC-12) boundaries
3. Land use overlay
5. Jurisdictional boundaries
6. The location and length of all open channel and underground pipes 18 inches in diameter or greater (with the exception of catch basin connector pipes)
7. The location of all dry-weather diversions
8. The location of all major MS4 outfalls within the Permittee’s jurisdictional boundary

10. Storm drain outfall catchment areas for each major outfall within the Permittee(s) jurisdiction
11. Each mapped MS4 outfall shall be linked to a database containing descriptive and monitoring data associated with the outfall. The data shall include:
 - a. Ownership
 - b. Coordinates
 - c. Physical description

Figure 2, 3, 5 and 6 present the information listed above for the Beach Cities WMG.

3.3 Pending Information and Schedule for Completion

From the review, the following data are not currently available for submittal as a map and/or in a database, but are scheduled for completion:

4. Effective Impervious Area (EIA) overlay (if available)
9. Notation of outfalls with significant non-stormwater discharges (to be updated annually)
11. Each mapped MS4 outfall shall be linked to a database containing descriptive and monitoring data associated with the outfall. The data shall include:
 - d. Photographs of the outfall, where possible, to provide baseline information to track operation and maintenance needs over time
 - e. Determination of whether the outfall conveys significant non-stormwater discharges
 - f. Stormwater and non-stormwater monitoring data.

Completion of the data listed above is in progress and will be collected through the implementation of the CIMP, specifically the Non-Stormwater Outfall Monitoring Program. The EIA overlay will be created as part of the Beach Cities' EWMP and will be based on land use information and assumed impervious values. Each year, the storm drains, channels and outfalls map and associated database will be updated to incorporate the most recent characterization data for outfalls with significant non-stormwater discharge. The updated maps and/or associated database will be submitted each year with the Annual Report.

4.0 Stormwater Outfall Monitoring

Stormwater outfall monitoring is intended to assess discharge water quality relative to municipal action limits (MALs) and WQBELs derived from TMDL WLAs, and evaluates the potential of outfall discharges to have caused or contributed to exceedances of RWLs derived from TMDL WLAs or receiving water quality objectives. Drainage of storm drains within the Beach Cities WMG differs between each equivalent HUC-12 subwatershed. An analysis of land uses within equivalent HUC-12 subwatersheds, jurisdictional areas represented by each outfall site, and each site's drainage area was conducted for each outfall monitoring site.

4.1 Program Objectives

As outlined in the MRP (Part VIII.A of the MRP), stormwater discharges from the MS4 shall be monitored at outfalls and/or alternative access points such as manholes, or in channels representative of the land uses within the Permittee’s jurisdiction to support meeting the three objectives of the stormwater outfall monitoring program:

1. Determine the quality of a Permittee’s discharge relative to municipal action levels, as described in Attachment G of the MS4 Permit;
2. Determine whether a Permittee’s discharge is in compliance with applicable stormwater WQBELs derived from TMDL WLAs; and
3. Determine whether a Permittee’s discharge causes or contributes to an exceedance of receiving water limitations.

Each stormwater outfall monitoring site was evaluated with regards to how representative they are of the surrounding land use of the overall Beach Cities WMG, the individual jurisdictions in which their drainage areas are located, and the equivalent HUC-12. Each zoning category provided by the RAA guidance manual was fit into one of the following eight land use categories:

- Agricultural;
- Industrial;
- Single Family Residential;
- Open Space;
- Commercial;
- Education;
- Multi-Family Residential; and
- Transportation.

4.2 Stormwater Outfall Monitoring Sites

The Permit provides monitoring site “default” requirements - one site per HUC-12 per jurisdiction - for achieving stormwater outfall monitoring objectives. The MS4 Permit also allows for an alternative approach to increase the cost efficiency and effectiveness of the monitoring program. The Beach Cities WMG has chosen the default Permit approach within the Santa Monica Bay and Dominguez Channel Watersheds. Seven stormwater outfall monitoring sites, as shown in **Figure 8**, were selected as part of the approach. As indicated by **Table 7** these monitoring locations together comprise about a third of the total Beach Cities WMG area.

The selected sites are representative of a combination of the “equivalent” HUC-12s, and the represented City’s jurisdictional area. The County subwatershed and equivalent HUC-12 GIS data displayed minor misalignments resulting in shifts of less than 1% between watersheds when the two sources were compared. Outfall land use characteristics were based on subwatershed data then compared to the divergent County equivalent HUC-12 data. The Beach Cities WMG stormwater outfall samples will be collected as grab samples at manholes upstream of the outfalls. One stormwater outfall monitoring site (OF-BCEG-7) will be monitored at each of the three required wet-weather events on an annual basis, while the remaining six stormwater outfall monitoring sites will be monitored on an alternating annual basis. **Table 8** provides a summary for the seven stormwater outfall monitoring sites.

Table 7 Beach Cities WMG Outfall Tributary Area Percentages (of 20,254 acre Total)

| Monitoring Site | Outfall Drainage Area | Tributary Area Percentage of WMG Total |
|----------------------|-----------------------|--|
| OF-BCEG-1 | 1,533 Acres | 7.57% |
| OF-BCEG-2 | 429 Acres | 2.10% |
| OF-BCEG-3 | 565 Acres | 2.79% |
| OF-BCEG-4 | 2,503 Acres | 12.36% |
| OF-BCEG-5 | 365 Acres | 1.80% |
| OF-BCEG-6 | 780 Acres | 3.85% |
| OF-BCEG-7 | 3,314 Acres | 16.34% |
| Total Tributary Area | 9,489 Acres | 46.81% |

Table 8 Summary of Stormwater Outfall Based Monitoring Sites

| Site ID | Coordinates | | Hydrologic Unit Code-12 | Drainage System |
|--------------------------|-------------|-------------|-----------------------------|-------------------------|
| | Latitude | Longitude | | |
| <i>Alternating Sites</i> | | | | |
| OF-BCEG-1 | 33.89430 | -118.416645 | Manhattan Beach Frontal SMB | 28 th Street |
| OF-BCEG-2 | 33.86234 | -118.400135 | Manhattan Beach Frontal SMB | Hermosa Beach Pier |
| OF-BCEG-3 | 33.859274 | -118.372841 | Manhattan Beach Frontal SMB | Rindge Lane |
| OF-BCEG-4 | 33.858186 | -118.37595 | Manhattan Beach Frontal SMB | Heronado |
| OF-BCEG-5 | 33.894574 | -118.378438 | Lower Dominguez Channel | Marine Avenue |
| OF-BCEG-6 | 33.887345 | -118.360899 | Lower Dominguez Channel | BI 569 |
| <i>Fixed Site</i> | | | | |
| OF-BCEG-7 | 33.83722 | -118.30879 | Lower Dominguez Channel | Torrance Carson Lateral |

Three stormwater outfall monitoring sites, two along Santa Monica Bay and one in Dominguez Channel watershed, will be monitored for all wet-weather events during one year, and the remaining three stormwater outfall monitoring sites will be monitored the following year. Each group of monitoring sites will be monitored in alternating years. **Table 9** presents the preliminary rotation schedule for the six stormwater outfall monitoring sites. A synopsis of each potential outfall catchment area, along with an analysis of its land use/zoning characteristics is shown below.

Table 9 Stormwater Outfall Monitoring Rotation Schedule

| Outfall ID | Storm Year | | | | | |
|----------------|------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| | 2014-2015 | 2015-2016 | 2016-2017 | 2017-2018 | 2018-2019 | 2019-2020 |
| <i>Group 1</i> | | | | | | |
| OF-BCEG-1 | X | | X | | X | |
| OF-BCEG-2 | | | | | | |
| OF-BCEG-6 | | | | | | |
| <i>Group 2</i> | | | | | | |
| OF-BCEG-3 | | X | | X | | X |
| OF-BCEG-4 | | | | | | |
| OF-BCEG-5 | | | | | | |

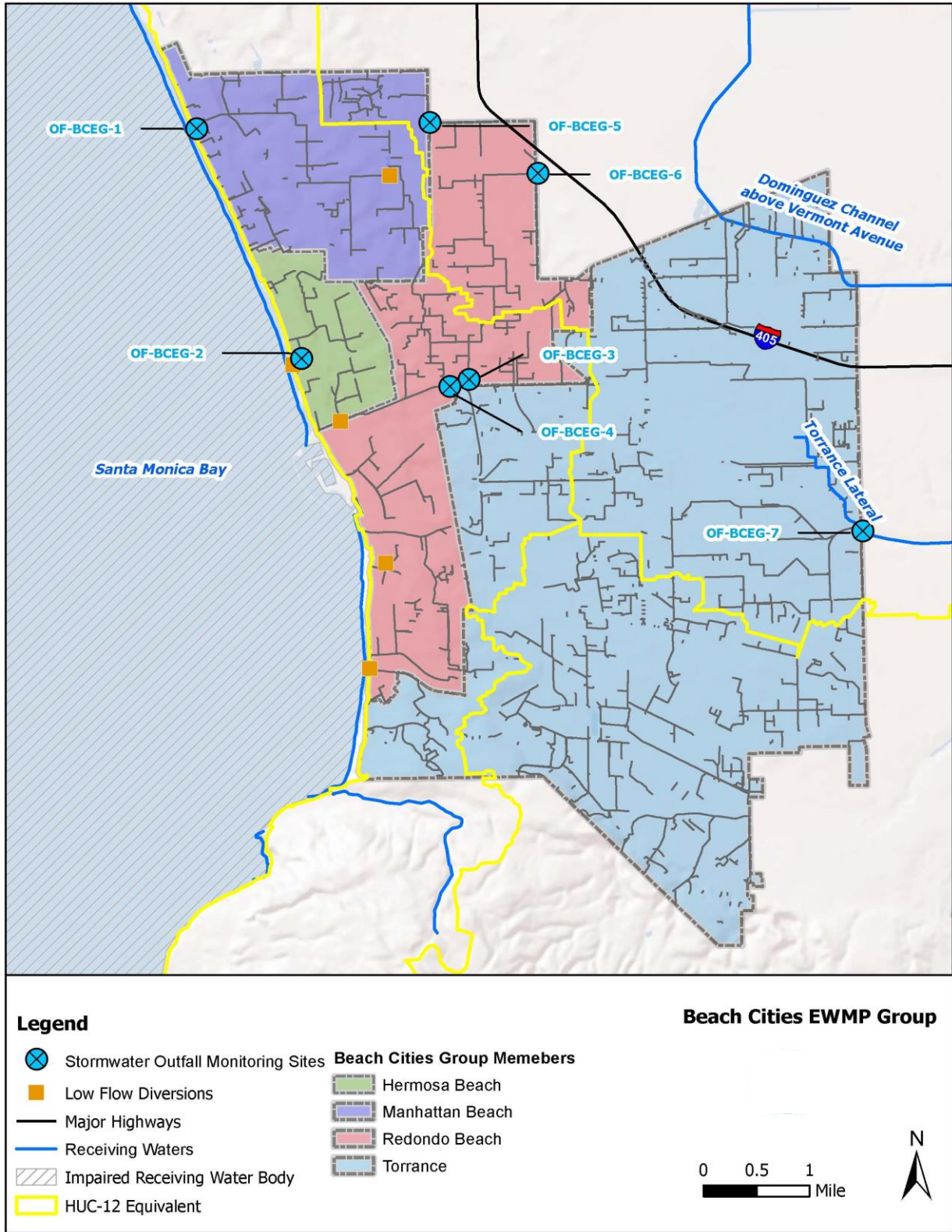


Figure 8 Stormwater Outfalls Monitoring Site locations

4.2.1 OF-BCEG-1

Stormwater outfall monitoring site OF-BCEG-1, receives discharges from the 28th Street storm drain. The catchment area comprises approximately 74% of the City of Manhattan Beach within the Manhattan Beach Frontal Santa Monica Bay HUC-12 area and 20% of the Beach Cities WMG area within the Manhattan Beach Frontal Santa Monica Bay HUC-12. Land use characteristics of OF-BCEG-1 drainage area are depicted in **Figure 9**. **Table 10** demonstrates that based on the preponderance of single family residential land use area, the OF-BCEG-1 appears to be representative of the City of Manhattan Beach and the Beach Cities WMG area within the Santa Monica Bay Watershed.

Table 10 Stormwater Outfall Monitoring Site OF-BCEG-1 (City of Manhattan Beach)

| | OF-BCEG-1 Catchment | | Manhattan Beach Portion of SMB MB HUC-12 area | | Beach Cities WMG Portion of SMB MB HUC-12 area | |
|-------------------------------|---------------------|---------|---|---------|---|---------|
| | Acres | Percent | Acres | Percent | Acres | Percent |
| <i>Land Use Category</i> | | | | | | |
| Agricultural | 0 | 0% | 0 | 0% | 53.44 | 0.70% |
| Commercial | 129.37 | 8.44% | 207.63 | 9.98% | 791.58 | 10.38% |
| Education | 91.83 | 5.99% | 120.53 | 5.80% | 392.49 | 5.15% |
| Industrial | 12.63 | 0.82% | 12.77 | 0.61% | 150.2 | 1.97% |
| Multi-Family Residential | 100.83 | 6.58% | 208.19 | 10.01% | 1408.82 | 18.47% |
| Open Space | 68.9 | 4.49% | 107.72 | 5.18% | 374.98 | 4.92% |
| Single Family Residential | 1129.5 | 73.68% | 1423 | 68.42% | 4456.36 | 58.42% |
| Total | 1533.1 | 100% | 2079.8 | 100% | 7627.87 | 100% |
| <i>Municipal Jurisdiction</i> | | | | | | |
| Hermosa Beach | 0 | 0% | 0 | 0% | 844.95 | 11.04% |
| Manhattan Beach | 1533 | 99.99% | 2079.8 | 100% | 2087.02 | 27.27% |
| Redondo Beach | 0.1 | 0.01% | 0 | 0% | 2606.7 | 34.06% |
| Torrance | 0 | 0% | 0 | 0% | 2115.28 | 27.64% |
| Total | 1533.1 | 100% | 2079.8 | 100% | 7653.95 | 100% |

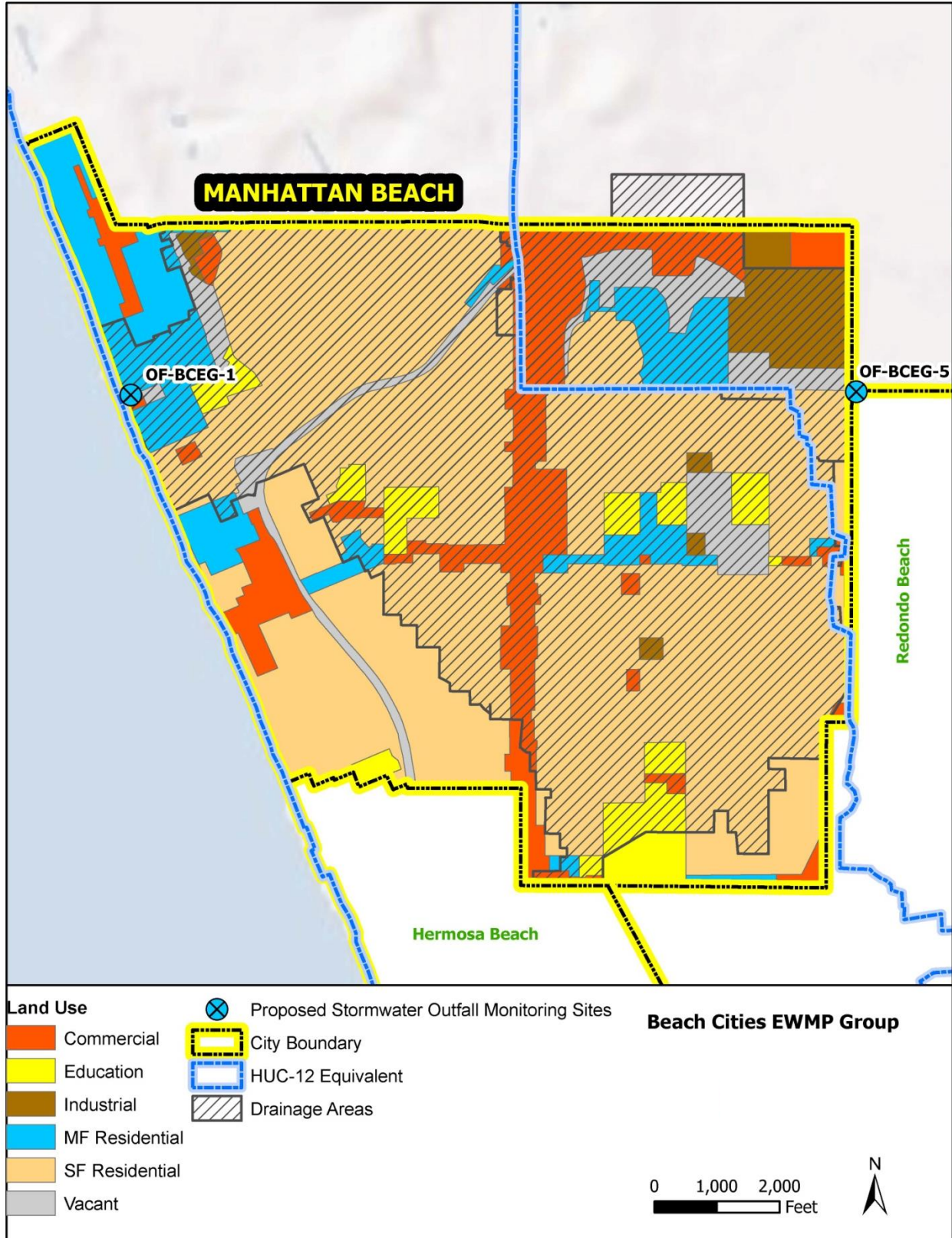


Figure 9 Beach Cities WMG Stormwater Outfall Monitoring Site OF-BCEG-1 Drainage Area

4.2.2 OF-BCEG-2

Stormwater outfall based monitoring site OF-BCEG-2 receives discharges from the Hermosa Beach Pier storm drain within the Manhattan Beach Frontal Santa Monica Bay HUC-12 area. Drainage is entirely from within the City of Hermosa Beach and represents 5.7% of City area and about 0.64% of the total Beach Cities WMG area within that HUC-12. **Table 11** compares the land use composition within the OF-BCEG-2 catchment area with that of the City of Hermosa Beach and the Beach Cities WMG within the Manhattan Beach Frontal Santa Monica Bay HUC-12 area. The catchment has a greater proportion of commercial and multi-family residential, and a lower proportion of single family residential land use areas as compared to either the City or the total Beach Cities WMG portion within the Santa Monica Bay watershed. As depicted in **Figure 10**, discharge from the OF-BCEG-2 catchment area is more representative of discharge within the City of Hermosa Beach than the Beach Cities WMG group as whole, but may best assess the impact of commercial land use areas in the WMG area on Santa Monica Bay water quality.

Table 11 Stormwater Outfall Monitoring Site OF-BCEG-2 (City of Hermosa Beach)

| | OF-BCEG-2 Catchment | | Hermosa Beach Portion of SMB MB HUC-12 area | | Beach Cities WMG Portion of SMB MB HUC-12 area | |
|-------------------------------|---------------------|---------|---|---------|--|---------|
| | Acres | Percent | Acres | Percent | Acres | Percent |
| <i>Land Use Category</i> | | | | | | |
| Agricultural | 0 | 0% | 0 | 0% | 53.44 | 0.70% |
| Commercial | 20.8 | 42.7% | 129.92 | 15.31% | 791.58 | 10.38% |
| Education | 0 | 0% | 16.27 | 1.92% | 392.49 | 5.15% |
| Industrial | 0 | 0% | 13.3 | 1.57% | 150.2 | 1.97% |
| Multi-Family Residential | 23.24 | 47.7% | 254.05 | 29.95% | 1408.82 | 18.47% |
| Open Space | 0.25 | 0.51% | 51.39 | 6.06% | 374.98 | 4.92% |
| Single Family Residential | 4.43 | 9.09% | 383.44 | 45.20% | 4456.36 | 58.42% |
| Total | 48.72 | 100% | 848.37 | 100% | 7627.87 | 100% |
| <i>Municipal Jurisdiction</i> | | | | | | |
| Hermosa Beach | 48.72 | 100% | 848.37 | 100% | 844.95 | 11.04% |
| Manhattan Beach | 0 | 0% | 0 | 0% | 2087.02 | 27.27% |
| Redondo Beach | 0 | 0% | 0 | 0% | 2606.7 | 34.06% |
| Torrance | 0 | 0% | 0 | 0% | 2115.28 | 27.64% |
| Total | 48.72 | 100% | 848.37 | 100% | 7653.95 | 100% |



Figure 10 Beach Cities WMG Stormwater Outfall Monitoring Site OF-BCEG-2 Drainage Area

4.2.3 OF-BCEG-3

Stormwater outfall monitoring site OF-BCEG-3 discharges from the Rindge Lane storm drain into the Herondo storm drain within the Manhattan Beach Frontal Santa Monica Bay HUC-12 area of Beach Cities WMG. The catchment area is primarily within the City of Redondo Beach (89% Redondo Beach, 1% Hermosa Beach, and 9% Manhattan Beach) and 7.4% of the Beach Cities WMG area portion within the HUC-12 area. The drainage area for OF-BCEG-3 is shown in **Figure 11** and the land use categories are listed in **Table 12**. Ignoring minor land use categories which are absent from the small catchment, the remainder of the tributary area is relatively representative of the City of Redondo Beach, except that there is more multi-family residential than in the City, and the industrial land use category is more characteristic of the Beach Cities WMG within the HUC-12 area.

Table 12 Stormwater Outfall Monitoring Site OF-BCEG-3 (City of Redondo Beach)

| | OF-BCEG-3 Catchment | | Redondo Beach Portion of SMB MB HUC-12 area | | Beach Cities WMG Portion of SMB MB HUC-12 area | |
|-------------------------------|---------------------|---------|---|---------|--|---------|
| | Acres | Percent | Acres | Percent | Acres | Percent |
| <i>Land Use Category</i> | | | | | | |
| Agricultural | 0 | 0% | 25.34 | 0.97% | 53.44 | 0.70% |
| Commercial | 45.09 | 7.98% | 310.96 | 11.96% | 791.58 | 10.38% |
| Education | 7.69 | 1.36% | 150.19 | 5.78% | 392.49 | 5.15% |
| Industrial | 2.56 | 0.45% | 99.04 | 3.81% | 150.2 | 1.97% |
| Multi-Family Residential | 231.42 | 40.95% | 712.54 | 27.41% | 1408.82 | 18.47% |
| Open Space | 1.82 | 0.32% | 106.77 | 4.11% | 374.98 | 4.92% |
| Single Family Residential | 276.59 | 48.94% | 1194.7 | 45.96% | 4456.36 | 58.42% |
| Total | 565.17 | 100.00% | 2599.6 | 100% | 7627.87 | 100% |
| <i>Municipal Jurisdiction</i> | | | | | | |
| Hermosa Beach | 8.07 | 1.43% | 0 | 0% | 844.95 | 11.04% |
| Manhattan Beach | 51.76 | 9.16% | 0 | 0% | 2087.02 | 27.27% |
| Redondo Beach | 505.34 | 89.41% | 2599.6 | 100% | 2606.7 | 34.06% |
| Torrance | 0 | 0% | 0 | 0% | 2115.28 | 27.64% |
| Total | 565.17 | 100% | 2599.6 | 100% | 7653.95 | 100% |

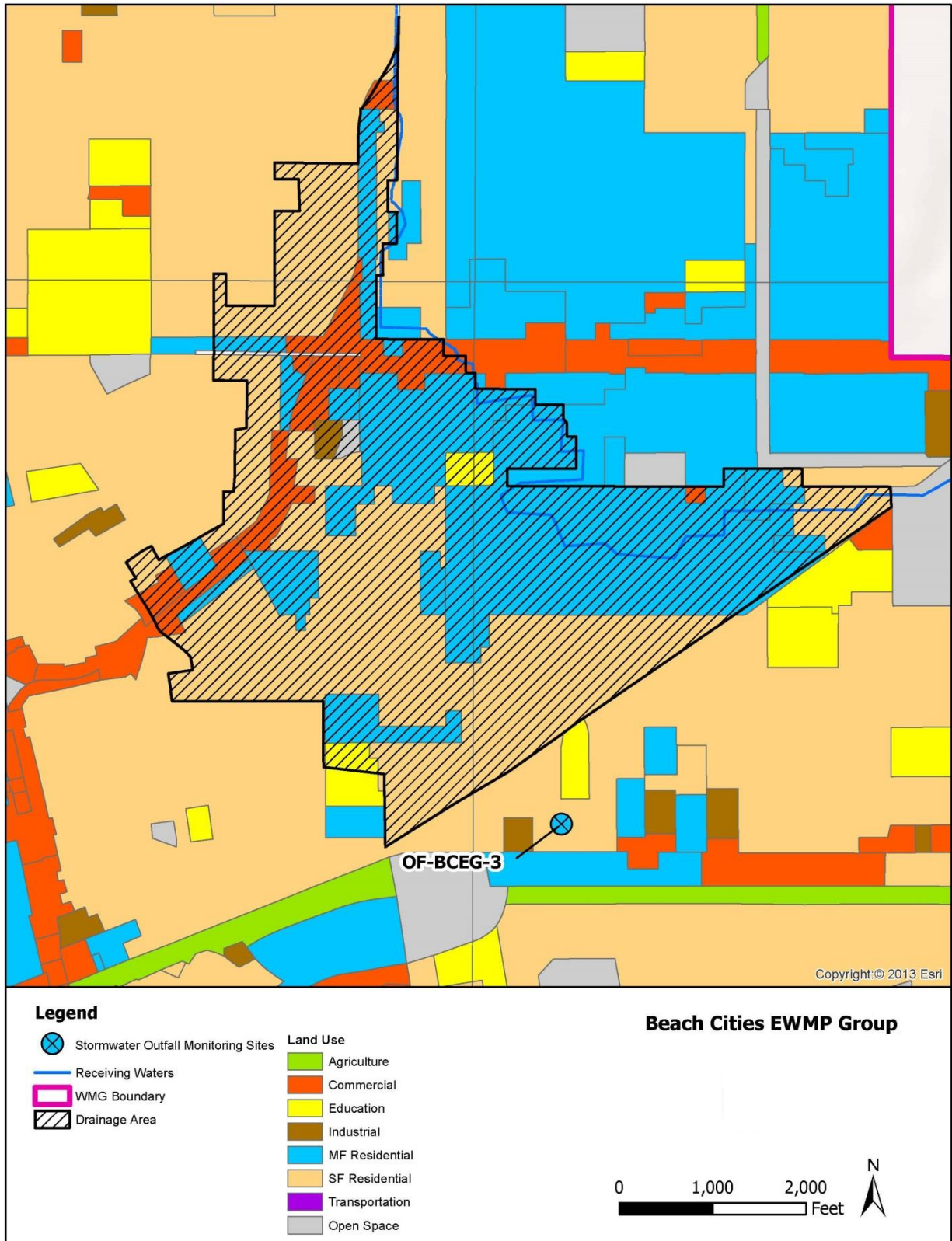


Figure 11 Beach Cities WMG Stormwater Outfall Monitoring Site OF-BCEG-3 Drainage Area

4.2.4 OF-BCEG-4

Stormwater outfall monitoring site OF-BCEG-4 will be accessed via a manhole located near 190th St. and N. Beryl St. in the Herondo storm drain which is located within the Manhattan Beach Frontal Santa Monica Bay HUC-12 area. The OF-BCEG-4 catchment area comprises approximately 63.1% of the City of Torrance and 32.8% of the Beach Cities WMG within the Santa Monica Bay HUC-12 area. The drainage area for OF-BCEG-4 is depicted in **Figure 12** and is summarized in **Table 13**. The land use of the drainage area is relatively representative of the City of Torrance and the Beach Cities WMG within the HUC-12 area.

Table 13 Stormwater Outfall Monitoring Site OF-BCEG-4 (City of Torrance)

| | OF-BCEG-4 Catchment | | Torrance Portion of SMB MB HUC-12 area | | Beach Cities WMG Portion of SMB MB HUC-12 area | |
|-------------------------------|---------------------|---------|--|---------|--|---------|
| | Acres | Percent | Acres | Percent | Acres | Percent |
| <i>Land Use Category</i> | | | | | | |
| Agricultural | 28.1 | 1.12% | 28.1 | 1.33% | 53.44 | 0.70% |
| Commercial | 309.38 | 12.36% | 143.07 | 6.78% | 791.58 | 10.36% |
| Education | 133.66 | 5.34% | 116.12 | 5.50% | 403.11 | 5.28% |
| Industrial | 116.2 | 4.64% | 25.23 | 1.20% | 150.34 | 1.97% |
| Multi-Family Residential | 512.57 | 20.48% | 234.08 | 11.09% | 1408.86 | 18.44% |
| Open Space | 136.5 | 5.46% | 109.22 | 5.17% | 375.10 | 4.91% |
| Single Family Residential | 1266.3 | 50.60% | 1455.3 | 68.93% | 4456.40 | 58.34% |
| Total | 2502.71 | 100% | 2111.1 | 100% | 7638.83 | 100% |
| <i>Municipal Jurisdiction</i> | | | | | | |
| Hermosa Beach | 8.07 | 0.32% | 0 | 0% | 848.37 | 11.11% |
| Manhattan Beach | 51.76 | 2.06% | 0 | 0% | 2079.79 | 27.23% |
| Redondo Beach | 865.55 | 34.52% | 0 | 0% | 2599.58 | 34.03% |
| Torrance | 1582.3 | 63.10% | 2111.1 | 100% | 2111.09 | 27.64% |
| Total | 2507.68 | 100% | 2111.1 | 100% | 7638.83 | 100% |

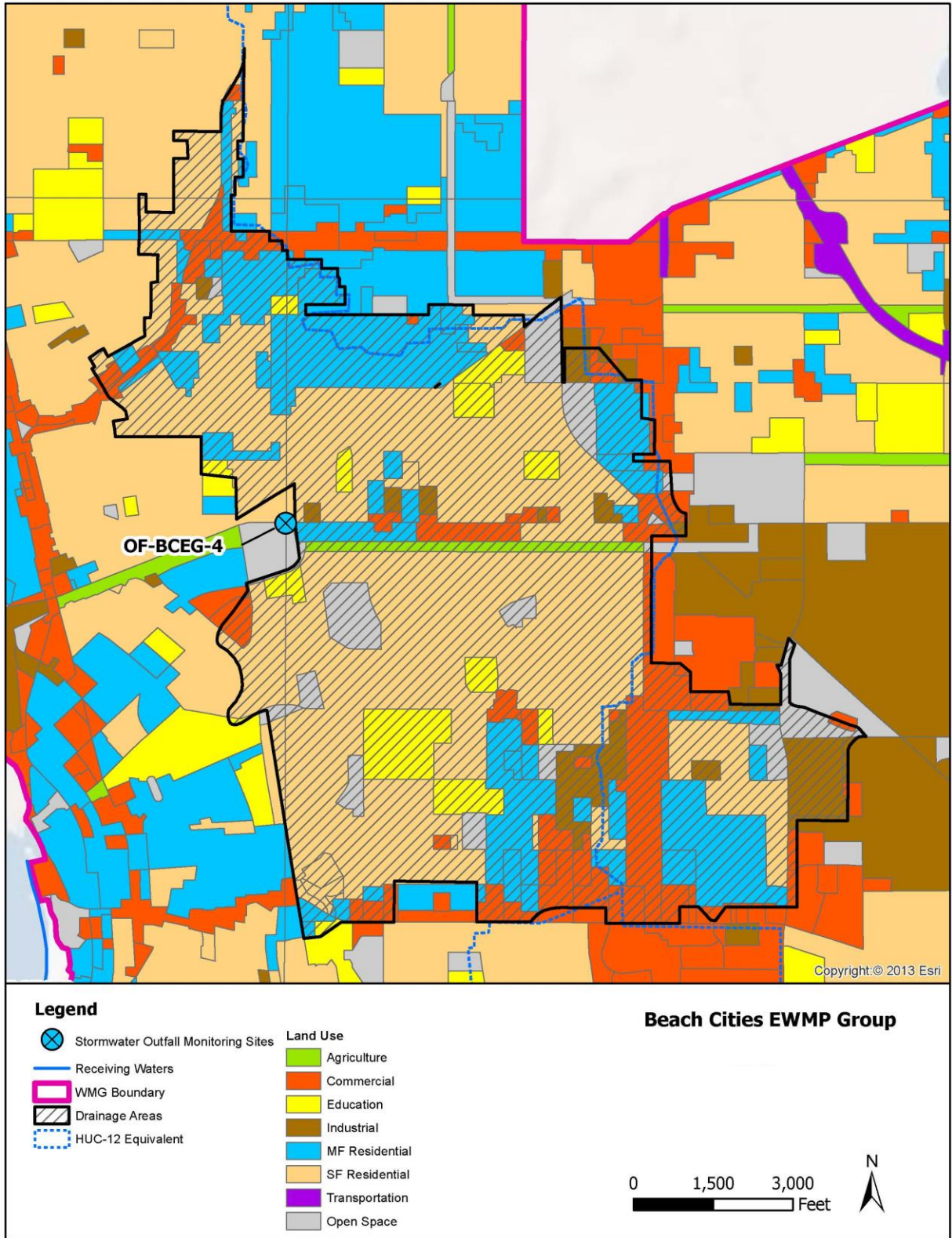


Figure 12 Beach Cities WMG Stormwater Outfall Monitoring Site OF-BCEG-4 Drainage Area

4.2.5 OF-BCEG-5

Stormwater outfall monitoring site OF-BCEG-5 drains primarily from the City of Manhattan Beach through the Marine Avenue storm drain within the Lower Dominguez Channel HUC-12 area. The OF-BCEG-5 catchment area encompasses nearly 99% of the City of Manhattan Beach and 4.9% of the Beach Cities WMG area within the Lower Dominguez Channel HUC-12. The OF-BCEG-5 drainage area is depicted in **Figure 13**, while **Table 14** summarizes the land use composition within the catchment above the location. This location is representative of the City of Manhattan Beach discharges to the Dominguez Channel.

Table 14 Stormwater Outfall Monitoring Site OF-BCEG-5 (City of Manhattan Beach)

| | OF-BCEG-5 Catchment | | Manhattan Beach Portion of Lower DC HUC-12 area | | Beach Cities WMG Portion of Lower DC HUC-12 area | |
|-------------------------------|---------------------|---------|---|---------|--|---------|
| | Acres | Percent | Acres | Percent | Acres | Percent |
| <i>Land Use Category</i> | | | | | | |
| Agricultural | 0 | 0% | 0 | 0% | 106.13 | 1.42% |
| Commercial | 121.9 | 33.40% | 111.43 | 30.16% | 1252.65 | 16.73% |
| Education | 0 | 0% | 0 | 0% | 259.25 | 3.46% |
| Industrial | 72.31 | 19.81% | 77.45 | 20.96% | 2012.17 | 26.88% |
| Multi-Family Residential | 51.25 | 14.04% | 51.25 | 13.87% | 905.69 | 12.10% |
| Open Space | 59.58 | 16.33% | 56.89 | 15.40% | 439.53 | 5.87% |
| Single Family Residential | 59.91 | 16.42% | 72.45 | 19.61% | 2392.15 | 31.95% |
| Transportation | 0 | 0% | 0 | 0% | 118.77 | 1.59% |
| Total | 364.95 | 100% | 369.47 | 100% | 7486.34 | 100% |
| <i>Municipal Jurisdiction</i> | | | | | | |
| Hermosa Beach | 0 | 0% | 0 | 0% | 0 | 0% |
| Manhattan Beach | 325.2 | 89.11% | 369.47 | 100% | 362.95 | 4.89% |
| Redondo Beach | 1.24 | 0.34% | 0 | 0% | 1251.83 | 16.85% |
| Torrance | 0 | 0% | 0 | 0% | 5812.65 | 78.26% |
| El Segundo ¹ | 38.51 | 10.55% | 0 | 0% | 0 | 0% |
| Total | 364.95 | 100% | 369.47 | 100% | 7427.43 | 100% |

¹ El Segundo not part of Beach Cities WMG

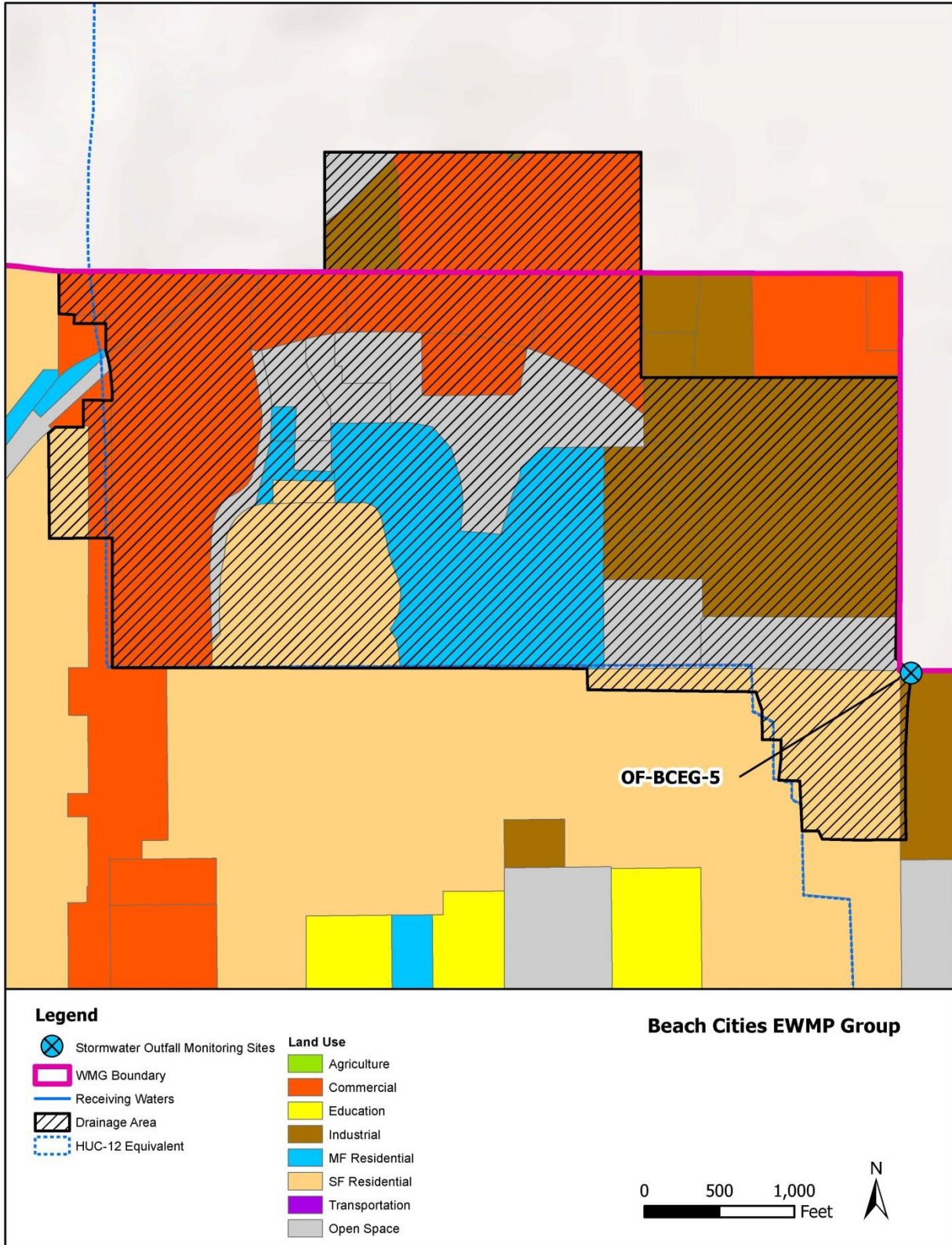


Figure 13 Beach Cities WMG Stormwater Outfall Monitoring Site OF-BCEG-5 Drainage Area

4.2.6 OF-BCEG-6

Stormwater outfall monitoring site OF-BCEG-6 primarily drains from the City of Redondo Beach through the BI 569 storm drain to the Lower Dominguez Channel HUC-12 area. The OF-BCEG-6 catchment area comprises 61% of the City of Redondo Beach and 10.5% of the total Beach Cities WMG area within the HUC-12. The drainage area for OF-BCEG-6 is depicted in **Figure 14**, while **Table 15** identifies land uses within the OF-BCEG-6 catchment area as compared to the Beach Cities WMG portion of Lower Dominguez Channel HUC-12 area. As compared to the Dominguez Channel watershed portion of the City of Redondo Beach, the area of single and multi-family residential is higher, with lower percentages of industrial and commercial land use categories. Single family land use in the catchment is comparable to that of the greater Beach Cities WMG portion of the Lower Dominguez Channel watershed, while multifamily residential areas replace commercial and industrial land uses found in adjacent portions of the City of Torrance.

Table 15 Stormwater Outfall Monitoring Site OF-BCEG-6 (City of Redondo Beach)

| | OF-BCEG-6 Catchment | | Redondo Beach Portion of Lower DC HUC-12 area | | Beach Cities WMG Portion of Lower DC HUC-12 area | |
|-------------------------------|---------------------|---------|---|---------|--|---------|
| | Acres | Percent | Acres | Percent | Acres | Percent |
| <i>Land Use Category</i> | | | | | | |
| Agricultural | 6.03 | 0.77% | 11.34 | 0.90% | 106.13 | 1.42% |
| Commercial | 51.08 | 6.55% | 226 | 17.96% | 1252.65 | 16.73% |
| Education | 15.65 | 2.01% | 15.69 | 1.25% | 259.25 | 3.46% |
| Industrial | 0.65 | 0.08% | 199.46 | 15.85% | 2012.17 | 26.88% |
| Multi-Family Residential | 419.9 | 53.87% | 463.49 | 36.83% | 905.69 | 12.10% |
| Open Space | 39.61 | 5.08% | 59.63 | 4.74% | 439.53 | 5.87% |
| Single Family Residential | 246.58 | 31.63% | 260.76 | 20.72% | 2392.15 | 31.95% |
| Transportation | 0 | 0% | 22.21 | 1.76% | 118.77 | 1.59% |
| Total | 779.5 | 100% | 1258.6 | 100% | 7486.34 | 100% |
| <i>Municipal Jurisdiction</i> | | | | | | |
| Hermosa Beach | 0 | 0% | 0 | 0% | 0 | 0% |
| Manhattan Beach | 7.59 | 0.97% | 0 | 0% | 362.95 | 4.89% |
| Redondo Beach | 771.91 | 99.03% | 1258.6 | 100% | 1251.83 | 16.85% |
| Torrance | 0 | 0% | 0 | 0% | 5812.65 | 78.26% |
| Total | 779.5 | 100% | 1258.6 | 100% | 7427.43 | 100% |

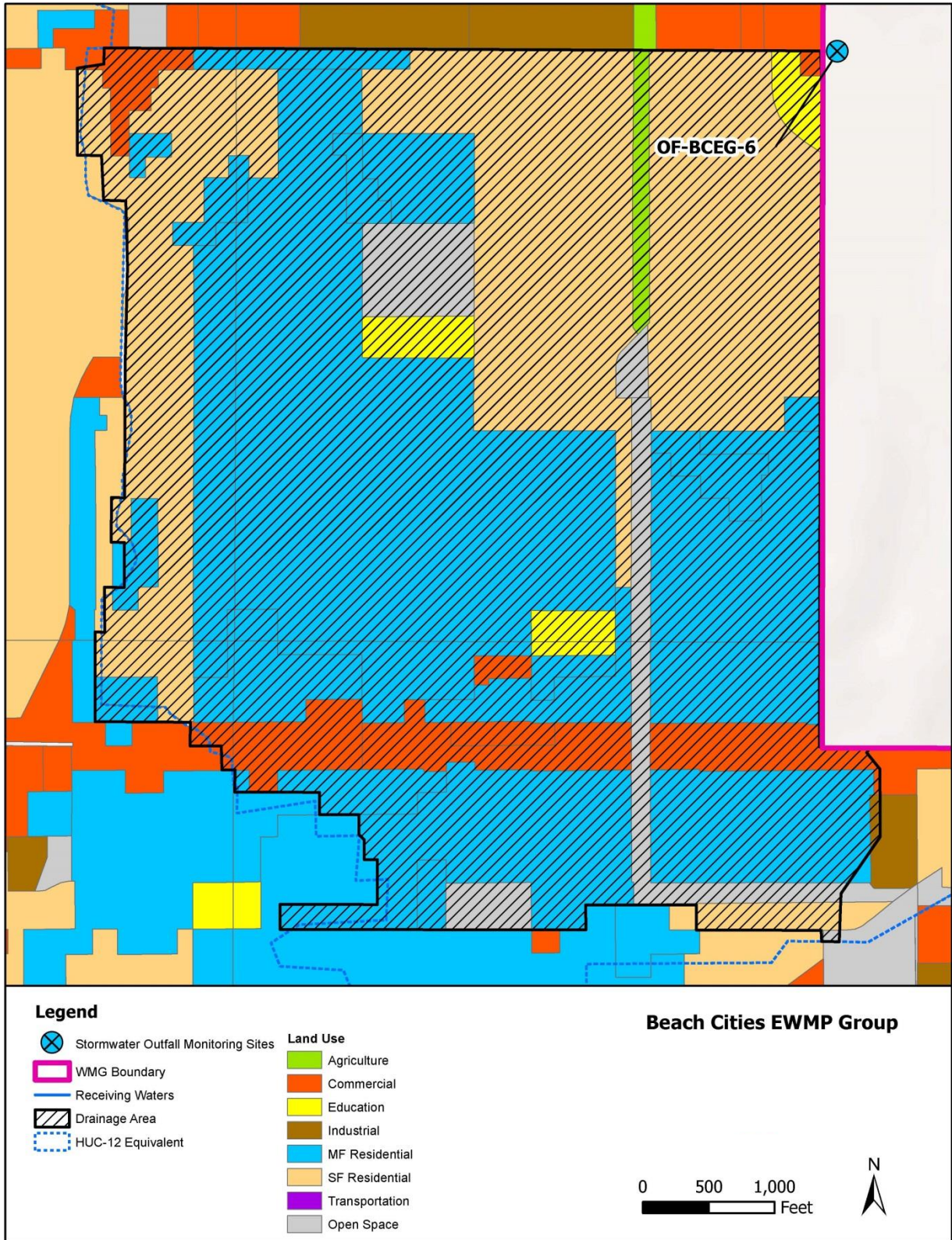


Figure 14 Beach Cities WMG Stormwater Outfall Monitoring Site OF-BCEG-6 Drainage Area

4.2.7 OF-BCEG-7

Stormwater outfall monitoring site OF-BCEG-7 is located near the Torrance Carson Lateral headwaters and receives runoff exclusively from the City of Torrance. The catchment comprises the entirety of the area of the City of Torrance tributary to the Torrance lateral and represents 57% of the City of Torrance and 44.64% of the Beach Cities WMG contributory area to the Lower Dominguez Channel HUC-12. **Figure 15** depicts the drainage area for OF-BCEG-7, while **Table 16** demonstrates that the catchment is relatively concentrated in industrial land use. Most of the residential land use tributary to this location is associated with two smaller drains from the more central portion of the City of Torrance. Land use characteristics to the combined outfall area near Western Avenue are relatively similar to, and consistent with, land use within the City of Torrance to the Lower Dominguez Channel watershed, including areas above the County Mass Emission station S28-Artesia Boulevard and the Dominguez Channel. As a result, the monitoring location has been placed near the boundary of the City of Torrance.

Table 16 Stormwater Outfall Monitoring Site OF-BCEG-7 (City of Torrance)

| | OF-BCEG-7 Catchment | | Torrance Portion of Lower DC HUC-12 area | | Beach Cities WMG Portion of Lower DC HUC-12 area | |
|-------------------------------|---------------------|---------|--|---------|--|---------|
| | Acres | Percent | Acres | Percent | Acres | Percent |
| <i>Land Use Category</i> | | | | | | |
| Agricultural | 20.22 | 0.61% | 94.79 | 1.63% | 106.13 | 1.42% |
| Commercial | 514.41 | 15.52% | 885.65 | 15.22% | 1252.65 | 16.73% |
| Education | 109.69 | 3.31% | 243.56 | 4.19% | 259.25 | 3.46% |
| Industrial | 1576.1 | 47.56% | 1729.2 | 29.71% | 2012.17 | 26.88% |
| Multi-Family Residential | 114.37 | 3.45% | 391.35 | 6.72% | 905.69 | 12.10% |
| Open Space | 252.55 | 7.62% | 320.16 | 5.50% | 439.53 | 5.87% |
| Single Family Residential | 710.21 | 21.43% | 2058.5 | 35.37% | 2392.15 | 31.95% |
| Transportation | 16.51 | 0.50% | 96.56 | 1.66% | 118.77 | 1.59% |
| Total | 3314.1 | 100% | 5819.8 | 100% | 7486.34 | 100% |
| <i>Municipal Jurisdiction</i> | | | | | | |
| Hermosa Beach | 0 | 0% | 0 | 0% | 0 | 0% |
| Manhattan Beach | 0 | 0% | 0 | 0% | 362.95 | 4.89% |
| Redondo Beach | 0 | 0% | 0 | 0% | 1251.83 | 16.85% |
| Torrance | 3314.1 | 100% | 5819.8 | 100% | 5812.65 | 78.26% |
| Total | 3314.1 | 100% | 5819.8 | 100% | 7427.43 | 100% |

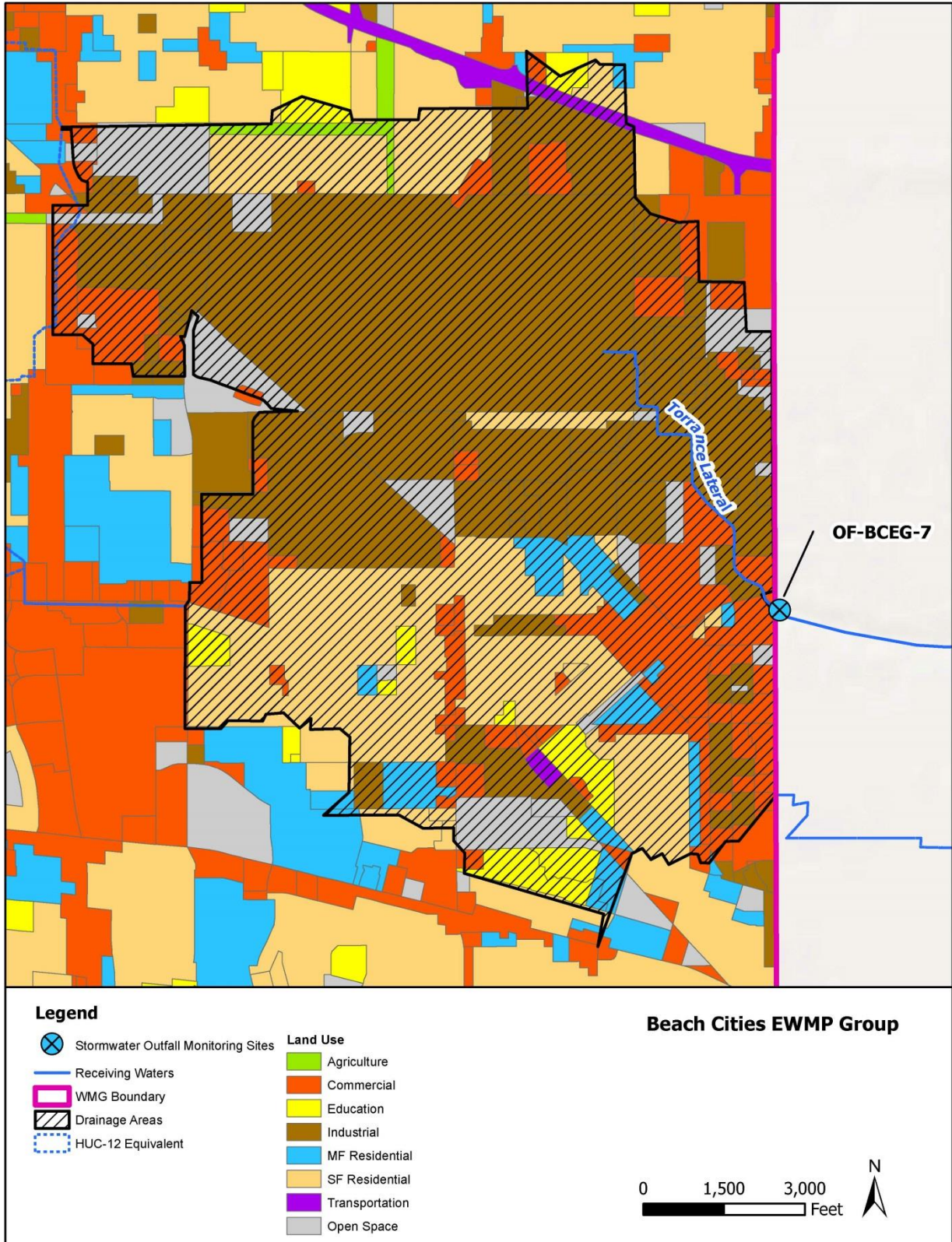


Figure 15 Beach Cities WMG Stormwater Outfall Monitoring Site OF-BCEG-7 Drainage Area

4.3 Monitoring Frequency, Parameters, and Duration

Stormwater outfall monitoring sites will be monitored for three storm events per year, prior to receiving water monitoring, for all required constituents except aquatic toxicity. Aquatic toxicity will be monitored when triggered by recent receiving water toxicity monitoring, where a toxicity identification evaluation (TIE) on the observed receiving water toxicity test was inconclusive. The requirements for monitored constituents at each outfall are outlined in the MRP Section VIII.B.1.c and presented in **Table 17**. Parameters in Table E-2 of the MRP, will not be identified as exceeding applicable water quality objectives until after the first year of receiving water monitoring. Monitoring for the selected sites would occur for at least the duration of the Permit term, unless an alternative site is warranted, per the adaptive management process, as presented in **Section 10**. Additional analytical and monitoring procedures are discussed in the Analytical and Monitoring Procedures per **Appendix D**.

Table 17 List of Constituents for Stormwater Outfall Monitoring

| Constituent | Water Body | | |
|--|------------------|-------------------|-------------------------|
| | Santa Monica Bay | Dominguez Channel | Torrance Carson Lateral |
| Flow, temperature, pH, hardness, total suspended solids, dissolved oxygen, and specific conductivity | X | X | X |
| Table E-2 pollutants detected above relevant objectives | X | X | X |
| Aquatic Toxicity and Toxicity Identification Evaluation (TIE) ⁽¹⁾ | | | |
| Total Coliform | X | | |
| Fecal Coliform | X | | |
| Enterococcus | X | | |
| Total Copper | | X | X |
| Total Lead | | X | X |
| Total Zinc | | X | X |
| Diazinon | | X | |
| Ammonia | | X | X |
| <i>E. coli</i> (Indicator Bacteria) | | X | X |
| Cyanide | | X | X |
| pH | | X | X |
| Selenium | | X | X |
| Mercury | | X | X |
| Cadmium | | X | X |
| DDT and PCB | X | | |

1. Toxicity is only monitored at outfalls when triggered by recent receiving water toxicity monitoring where a TIE on the observed receiving water toxicity test was inconclusive. If toxicity is observed at the outfall a TIE must be conducted.

5.0 Non-Stormwater Outfall Screening and Monitoring Program

The Non-Stormwater Outfall Screening and Monitoring Program (Non-Stormwater Program) is focused on dry-weather discharges to receiving waters from major outfalls. The program fills two roles: (1) to provide assessment of whether the non-stormwater discharges are potentially

impacting the receiving water, and (2) to determine whether significant non-stormwater discharges are allowable.

The Beach Cities WMG has been addressing non-stormwater flow to Santa Monica Bay with the installation of LFDs. The Beach Cities WMG has installed seven LFDs, throughout the Santa Monica Bay portion of the WMGs area. These LFDs are operational year-round and divert non-stormwater flows from storm drains to the sanitary sewer or subsurface infiltration systems, preventing the flows from directly discharging into Santa Monica Bay. These systems will periodically be inspected to verify that they are working as designed and preventing any flow from discharging to SMB. Outfalls containing LFDs will only be included in the outfall screening process if their LFDs have been shown to not be functioning adequately.

The Non-Stormwater Program is complimentary to the IC/ID MCM. Non-stormwater outfall monitoring sites will be determined after outfall screening, determination of discharge significance, and source identification. The outfall screening and monitoring process is intended to prioritize outfalls for assessment and, where appropriate, support scheduling of BMPs to address non-stormwater flows.

5.1 Program Objectives

The objectives of the Non-Stormwater Program include the following (Part II.E.3 of the MRP):

- a. Determine whether a Permittee's discharge is in compliance with applicable non-stormwater WQBELs derived from TMDL WLAs;
- b. Determine whether a Permittee's discharge exceeds non-stormwater action levels, as described in Attachment G of the MS4 Permit;
- c. Determine whether a Permittee's discharge causes or contributes to an exceedance of receiving water limitations; and
- d. Assist Permittees in identifying illicit discharges as described in Part VI.D.10 of the MS4 Permit.

Additionally, the outfall screening and monitoring process is intended to meet the following objectives (Part IX.A of the MRP):

1. Develop criteria or other means to ensure that all outfalls with significant non-stormwater discharges are identified and assessed during the term of this MS4 Permit.
2. For outfalls determined to have significant non-stormwater flow, determine whether flows are the result of illicit connections or illicit discharges (IC/IDs), authorized or conditionally exempt non-stormwater flows, natural flows, or from unknown sources.
3. Refer information related to identified IC/IDs to the IC/ID Elimination Program (Part VI.D.10 of the MS4 Permit) for appropriate action.
4. Based on existing screening or monitoring data or other institutional knowledge, assess the impact of non-stormwater discharges (other than identified IC/IDs) on the receiving water.
5. Prioritize monitoring of outfalls considering the potential threat to the receiving water and applicable TMDL compliance schedules.

6. Conduct monitoring or other investigations to identify the source of pollutants in non-stormwater discharges.
7. Use results of the screening process to evaluate the conditionally exempt non-stormwater discharges identified in Parts III.A.2 and III.A.3 of the MS4 Permit and take appropriate actions pursuant to Part III.A.4.d of the MS4 Permit for those discharges that have been found to be a source of pollutants. Any future reclassification shall occur per the conditions in Parts III.A.2 or III.A.6 of the MS4 Permit.
8. Conduct monitoring or assess existing monitoring data to determine the impact of non-stormwater discharges on the receiving water.
9. Maximize the use of Permittee resources by integrating the screening and monitoring process into existing or planned Integrated Monitoring Program (IMP) and/or CIMP efforts.

The outfall screening and source identification investigations must be completed prior to initiating monitoring at an individual outfall. A flowchart of the Non-Stormwater Program is presented as **Figure 16**. Detailed discussion of the major program elements is provided in the following subsections.

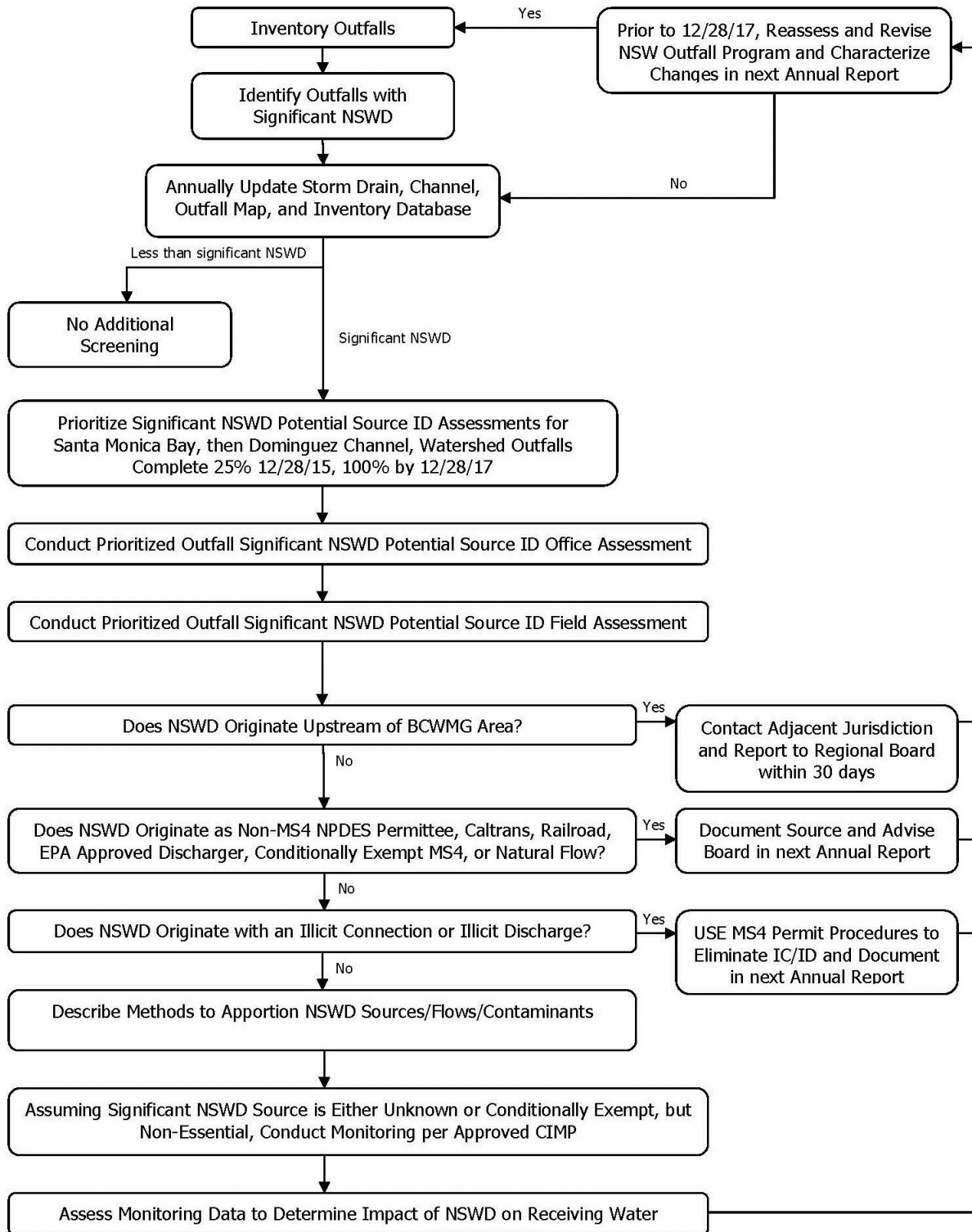


Figure 16 Non-Stormwater Outfall Monitoring Program Flow Chart

5.2 Outfall Screening and Identify Outfalls with Significant Non-Stormwater Discharge

Based on a review of the available information, identification of significant non-stormwater discharges is not possible at this time. Under this task, each Beach Cities WMG member will undertake three outfall screenings to evaluate all major outfalls within their jurisdiction area. The major outfalls for the Beach Cities WMG are defined as follows:

- 36-inch or larger pipes, or non-circular drains with a drainage area of more than 50 acres, and
- 12-inch or larger pipes, or non-circular drains from industrial zoned areas with a drainage area of 2 acres or more.

In order to collect data to determine significant non-stormwater outfalls, the Beach Cities will perform three outfall screenings during the first year after CIMP approval. The outfall screening is necessary to collect the information to identify outfalls exhibiting significant non-stormwater discharges and to develop the information needed for the inventory of outfalls with significant non-stormwater discharges. Each member agency within the Beach Cities WMG has agreed to use the same screening criteria for the non-stormwater outfall screening process; however significance criteria for non-stormwater discharges will differ between the two watersheds, Santa Monica Bay and Dominguez Channel. Significance for the two watersheds will be deemed as follows:

- a. For **Santa Monica Bay watershed**, significant non-stormwater flows will be designated if, non-stormwater flow was observed reaching the wave wash from the particular outfall during two of the three outfall screenings. Flow of any amount that reaches the wave wash will be considered significant for Santa Monica Bay outfalls due to the high recreational use of the beaches, and will require source identification of the discharge.
- b. For **Dominguez Channel watershed**, significant non-stormwater flow will be designated if persistent flows, exceeding 10 gallons per minute (gpm), are observed during two of the three screening events. Outfalls within the Dominguez Channel watershed will be screened during working hours and three days or longer after a rain event. The first screening event will note flow observation, whether flow was observed or not observed. During the second and third screening event, flow rate will be estimated and measured using a container and stop watch. If flow of 10 gpm was observed for a particular outfall at two of the three screening events, the outfall will then be designated as having significant non-stormwater discharge and will require source identification of the discharge.

The initial first screening serves the dual purpose of data collection for completing the MS4 infrastructure database, addressed in **Section 3**, and the initial evaluation of outfalls for significant non-stormwater discharge. Each outfall in the Beach Cities WMG area will be visited during the first screening. A standard field data collection form will be used, consisting of the following:

- Date, Time, Weather;

- Photos of outfall and receiving water;
- Descriptions of site condition and accessibility;
- Discharge characteristics, such as odor and color;
- Field probe measurements of conventional parameters such as pH, temperature, etc.; and
- Receiving water characteristics.

Additionally, outstanding information for the MS4 inventory database will be collected as discussed in **Section 3**. Outfalls with significant non-stormwater discharges will be determined after the three outfall screening events conducted by each member agency within their own jurisdictional area.

5.3 MS4 Outfall Inventory

An inventory of MS4 Outfalls will be developed and maintained by each Beach Cities WMG member after the outfall screening. The Beach Cities WMG inventory database will include available existing data from past outfall screening efforts, monitoring, and other data collection efforts. The data within the database will include the physical attributes of MS4 outfalls determined to have significant non-stormwater discharges as well as a list of those outfalls requiring no further assessment. If the MS4 outfall requires no further assessment, the inventory will include the rationale for the determination of no further action required based on the following:

- The outfall does not have flow;
- The outfall does not have a known significant non-stormwater discharge; or
- Discharges observed were determined to be exempt during the source identification (**Section 5.5**).

The inventory will be recorded in the database as required in Part VII.A of the MRP. Each year, the inventory will be updated to incorporate the most recent characterization data for outfalls with significant non-stormwater discharges. The following physical attributes of outfalls with significant non-stormwater discharges will be included in the inventory and should be collected as part of the screening process:

- Date and time of last visual observation or inspection;
- Outfall alpha-numeric identifier;
- Description of outfall structure including size (e.g., diameter and shape);
- Description of receiving water at the point of discharge (e.g., concrete channel);
- Latitude/longitude coordinates;
- Nearest street address;
- Parking, access, and safety considerations;
- Photographs of outfall condition;
- Photographs of significant non-stormwater discharge (or indicators of discharge) unless safety considerations preclude obtaining photographs;
- Estimation of discharge rate;
- All diversions either upstream or downstream of the outfall;

- Observations regarding discharge characteristics such as turbidity, odor, color, presence of debris, floatables, or monitoring characteristics that could aid in pollutant source identification; and
- Monitoring data.

5.4 Prioritized Source Identification

Once the significant non-stormwater outfalls have been identified through the screening process and incorporated into the inventory, Part IX.E of the MRP requires Permittees to prioritize outfalls for further source investigations. At this time, the Beach Cities WMG has not determined outfall prioritization or the schedule for further source identification. Either individually or in collaboration with one another, member agencies within the Beach Cities WMG will determine and submit an outfall prioritization process to the Regional Board at a later date.

5.5 Source Identification of Significant Non-Stormwater Discharge

After the prioritization and schedule have been determined, source identification of the major outfalls with significant non-stormwater discharge will be conducted to identify the source(s) or potential source(s) of non-stormwater discharge.

Part IX.A.2 of the MRP requires Permittees to classify the source identification results into the following types which are summarized in **Table 18**:

- A. IC/IDs: If the source is determined to be an illicit discharge, the Permittee must implement procedures to eliminate the discharge consistent with IC/ID requirements (Permit Part VI.D.10) and document actions.
- A. Authorized or conditionally exempt non-stormwater discharges: If the source is determined to be an NPDES permitted discharge, a discharge subject to the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act (CERCLA), or a conditionally exempt essential discharge, the group member must document the source. For non-essential conditionally exempt discharges, the group member must conduct monitoring consistent with Part IX.G of the MRP to determine whether the discharge should remain conditionally exempt or be prohibited.
- B. Natural flows: If the source is determined to be a natural flow (e.g. groundwater), the Permittee must document the source.
- C. Unknown sources: If the source is unknown, the Permittee must conduct monitoring consistent with Part IX.G of the MRP.

Table 18 Summary of Source Identification Types

| Type | Follow-up | Action Required by Permit |
|---|---|--|
| A. Illicit Discharge or Connection | Refer to IC/ID program | Implement control measures and report in annual report. Monitor if cannot be eliminated. |
| B. Authorized or Conditionally Exempt Discharges ¹ | Document and identify if essential or non-essential | Monitor non-essential discharges |
| C. Natural Flows | End investigation | Document and report in annual report |
| D. Unknown | Refer to IC/ID program | Monitor |
| E. Upstream of WMG | End investigation | Inform upstream WMG and the Regional Board in writing within 30 days of identifying discharge. |

¹ Discharges authorized by a separate NPDES permit, subject to a Record of Decision approved by USEPA pursuant to section 121 of CERCLA, or conditionally exempt and addressed by other requirements. Conditionally exempt non-stormwater discharges addressed by other requirements are described in detail in Part III.A. Prohibitions – Non-Storm Water Discharges of the Permit.

Source identification will be conducted using site-specific procedures based on the characteristics of the non-stormwater discharge. Investigations could include:

- Performing field measurements to characterize the discharge;
- Following dry-weather flows from the location where they are first observed in an upstream direction along the conveyance system; and
- Compiling and reviewing available resources, including past monitoring and investigation data, land use/MS4 maps, aerial photography, and property ownership information.

Based on the results of the source assessment, outfalls may be reclassified as requiring no further assessment, and the inventory will be updated to reflect the information and justification for the reclassification.

Where investigations determine the non-stormwater source to be authorized, natural, or essential conditionally exempt flows, the Beach Cities WMG will conclude the investigation, categorize the outfall as requiring no further assessment in the inventory, and move to the next highest priority outfall for investigation. Where investigations determine that the source of the discharge is non-essential conditionally exempt, an illicit discharge, or is unknown – further investigation may be conducted to eliminate the discharge or demonstrate that it is not causing or contributing to receiving water problems.

In some cases, source investigations may ultimately lead to prioritized programmatic or structural BMPs. Where the Beach Cities WMG has determined that they will address the non-stormwater discharge through modifications to programs or by structural BMP implementation, the Beach Cities WMG will incorporate the approach into the implementation schedule developed in the EWMP, and the outfall can be eliminated from the monitoring list.

5.6 Monitoring of Non-Stormwater Outfalls Exceeding Criteria

As outlined in the MRP (Part II.E.3), outfalls with significant non-stormwater discharges that remain unaddressed after the source investigation shall be monitored to meet the following objectives:

- a. Determine whether a Permittee's discharge is in compliance with applicable dry-weather WQBELs derived from TMDL WLAs;
- b. Determine whether the quality of a Permittee's discharge exceeds non-stormwater action levels, as described in Attachment G of the Permit; and
- c. Determine whether a Permittee's discharge causes or contributes to an exceedance of receiving water limitations.

Thus, outfalls must be monitored if they have been determined to convey significant non-stormwater discharges where the source identification concluded that the source is attributable to an ongoing ID (Type A from **Table 18**), is non-essential conditionally exempt (Type B from **Table 18**), or is unknown (Type D from **Table 18**). Monitoring will seek to begin within 90 days of completing the source identification, but may begin at a later time in order to be coordinated with dry weather receiving water monitoring.

5.6.1 Non-Stormwater Outfall Monitoring Sites

The information to determine the number and location of outfalls requiring monitoring is not available at this time. After the outfall inventory, identification of outfalls with significant non-stormwater discharge, outfall prioritization, and source identification process, outfalls identified as requiring monitoring will be monitored per the Permit requirements.

5.6.2 Monitored Parameters and Frequency

After the outfall screening and determination of which outfalls have significant non-stormwater flows, non-stormwater monitoring sites will be monitored for two events per year to coordinate with receiving water dry-weather monitoring. Coordination with receiving water monitoring will allow for an evaluation of whether the non-stormwater discharges are causing or contributing to any observed exceedances of water quality objectives in the receiving water. Significant non-stormwater outfalls will be monitored for all required constituents, per receiving water bodies, as outlined in Part IX.G.1.a-e of the MRP, except toxicity. Toxicity monitoring is only required when triggered by recent receiving water toxicity monitoring where a TIE on the observed receiving water toxicity test was inconclusive. An overview of the constituents to be monitored and the corresponding frequency is listed in **Table 19**.

Table 19 List of Constituents for Non-Stormwater Outfall Monitoring

| Constituent | Water Body | | |
|--|------------------|-------------------|-------------------------|
| | Santa Monica Bay | Dominguez Channel | Torrance Carson Lateral |
| Flow, hardness, pH, dissolved oxygen, temperature, specific conductivity, and total suspended solids | X | X | X |
| Table E-2 pollutants detected above relevant objectives | X | X | X |
| Aquatic Toxicity and Toxicity Identification Evaluation (TIE) ¹ | | | |
| Total Coliform | X | | |
| Fecal Coliform | X | | |
| Enterococcus | X | | |
| Total Copper | | X | X |
| Total Lead | | X | X |
| Total Zinc | | X | X |
| Diazinon | | X | |
| Ammonia | | X | X |
| <i>E. coli</i> (Indicator Bacteria) | | X | X |
| Cyanide | | X | X |
| pH | | X | X |
| Selenium | | X | X |
| Mercury | | X | X |
| Cadmium | | X | X |

1. Toxicity is only monitored from outfalls when triggered by recent receiving water toxicity monitoring where a TIE on the observed receiving water toxicity test was inconclusive. If toxicity is observed at the outfall a TIE must be conducted.

Outfalls on the monitoring list will be monitored for at least the duration of the Permit term, or until the non-stormwater discharge is eliminated. Additional analytical and monitoring procedures are discussed in the Analytical and Monitoring Procedures per **Appendix D**.

6.0 New Development/Re-Development Effectiveness

New Development/Re-Development Effectiveness Tracking is used for tracking data on new development and re-development activities. The procedures for reviewing projects, tracking data, and reporting are different for each jurisdiction and may even be different across departments within the same jurisdiction. Due to the complexity of land development processes across jurisdictions, data management and tracking procedures will vary by jurisdiction. The WMG will develop a complete tracking system that works for their individual needs and internal processes. The database will track the following information:

1. Name of the Project and Developer,
2. Mapped project location (preferably linked to the Geographic Information System (GIS) storm drain map),
3. Issuance date of the project Certificate of Occupancy,
4. 85th percentile 24-hour storm event for project design (inches),
5. 95th percentile 24-hour storm event for projects draining to natural water bodies (inches),
6. Other design criteria required to meet hydromodification requirements for drainages to natural water bodies,

7. Project design storm (inches per 24 hours),
8. Project design storm volume (gallons or MGD),
9. Percent of design storm volume to be retained onsite,
10. Design volume for water quality mitigation treatment BMPs (if any),
11. If flow-through BMPs are approved, provide the one-year, one-hour storm intensity as depicted on the most recently issued isohyetal map published by the Los Angeles County Hydrologist,
12. Percent of design storm volume to be infiltrated at an off-site mitigation or groundwater replenishment project site,
13. Percent of design storm volume to be retained or treated with biofiltration at an off-site retrofit project,
14. Location and maps (preferably linked to the GIS storm drain map) of off-site mitigation, groundwater replenishment, or retrofit sites, and
15. Documentation of issuance of requirements to the developer.

Until the EWMP is approved by the Regional Board or the Executive Officer, the Beach Cities WMG is only required to implement and track MCM information in its existing stormwater management program per Part V.C.4.d.i. In addition to the requirements in Part X.A of the MRP, Part VI.D.7.d.iv of the Permit requires that the Beach Cities WMG implement a tracking system for new development/re-development projects that have planned post-construction BMPs. The following information is to be tracked using GIS or another electronic system:

1. Municipal Project ID
2. State Waste Discharge Identification (WDID) Number
3. Project Acreage
4. BMP Type and Description
5. BMP Location (coordinates)
6. Date of Acceptance
7. Date of Maintenance Agreement
8. Maintenance Records
9. Inspection Date and Summary
10. Corrective Action
11. Date Certificate of Occupancy Issued
12. Replacement or Repair Date

Participating agencies have developed mechanisms for tracking new development/re-development projects that have been conditioned for post-construction BMPs pursuant to MS4 Permit Part VI.D.7 Agencies also have developed mechanisms for tracking the effectiveness of these BMPs pursuant to MS4 Permit Attachment E.X.

7.0 Regional Studies

The MRP identifies one regional study: the SMC Regional Watershed Monitoring Program. The SMC Program is a collaborative effort between SCCWRP, the State Water Board's Surface Water Ambient Monitoring Program (SWAMP), three Southern California Regional Water Quality Control Boards, and several county stormwater agencies. SCCWRP acts as a facilitator to organize the monitoring program, conducts the data analysis, and prepares monitoring results

reports. The goal of the SMC Program is to develop a monitoring program on a regional level for Southern California's coastal streams and rivers.

7.1 Regional Study Participation

The MRP states that each Permittee shall be responsible for supporting the monitoring described at the sites within the watershed management area(s) that overlap with the Permittee's jurisdictional area. One program initiated under the SMC is the Regionally Consistent and Integrated Freshwater Stream Bioassessment Monitoring Program (Bioassessment Program), which included six monitoring sites that were monitored annually within the WMP Group area. The SMC initiated the Bioassessment Program, which is structured to occur in cycles of five years, in 2009. Sampling under the 2009 cycle concluded in 2013. The next five-year cycle is scheduled to begin in 2015, with additional special study monitoring scheduled to occur in 2014.

The Beach Cities WMG will continue to participate in the Bioassessment Program being managed by the SMC, through the LACFCD. The LACFCD will continue to participate in the Regional Watershed Monitoring Program (Bioassessment Program) being managed by the Southern California Stormwater Monitoring Coalition (SMC). The LACFCD will contribute resources to SMC's bioassessment monitoring program during the current permit cycle. Initiated in 2008, the SMC's Regional Bioassessment Program is designed to run over a five-year cycle. Monitoring under the first cycle concluded in 2013, with reporting of findings and additional special studies planned to occur in 2014. SMC, including LACFCD, is currently working on designing the bioassessment monitoring program for the next five-year cycle, which is scheduled to run from 2015 to 2019.

8.0 Special Studies

The Beach Cities WMG is responsible for conducting special studies that are required in an effective TMDL or an approved TMDL Monitoring Plan applicable to a watershed that is within the Beach Cities WMG's jurisdictional boundary. At this time there are no special studies required by any of the TMDLs within the Beach Cities WMG; therefore, the Beach Cities WMG will not participate in any special studies. At a future date, if implementation of a special study is desirable, then a separate work plan coordinated with the CIMP will be developed.

9.0 Non-Direct Measurements

Existing monitoring programs that collect water quality data in the WMG area, as summarized in **Appendix A**, will be incorporated into the CIMP database to the extent practicable. Gathering and compiling information from outside the CIMP programs will be dictated by cost. Water quality data reported by these monitoring programs will be evaluated for suitability for inclusion in the CIMP database.

10.0 Adaptive Management

An adaptive management approach provides a structured process that allows for taking action under uncertain conditions based on the best available science, closely monitoring and evaluating outcomes, and re-evaluating and adjusting decisions as more information is collected.

The CIMP, as with the EWMP, is to be implemented as an adaptive process. As new program elements are implemented and data are gathered over time, the EWMP and CIMP will undergo revision to reflect the most current understanding of the watershed and present a sound approach to addressing changing conditions. As such, the EWMP and CIMP will employ an adaptive management process utilizing BMPs that meet the maximum extent practicable (MEP) standard and will allow the programs to evolve.

10.1 Annual Assessment and Reporting

Part XVIII.A of the MRP details the annual assessment and reporting that is required as part of the annual report. The annual assessment and reporting is composed of seven parts, which are the following:

1. Stormwater Control Measures
2. Effectiveness Assessment of Stormwater Control Measures
3. Non-stormwater Control Measures
4. Effectiveness Assessment of Non-stormwater Control Measures
5. Integrated Monitoring Compliance Report
6. Adaptive Management Strategies
7. Supporting Data and Information

Based on the findings of the annual assessment, revisions to the CIMP will be included as part of the Adaptive Management Strategies.

10.2 CIMP Revision Process

Implementation of the CIMP is used to gather data on receiving water conditions and stormwater/non-stormwater quality to assess the effectiveness of the EWMP. As part of the adaptive management process, re-evaluation of the CIMP will need to be conducted to better inform the Beach Cities WMG of ever changing conditions of the watershed. Each program of the CIMP will be re-evaluated every two years, in line with the EWMP's Adaptive Management Strategies, for the following:

- **Monitored site locations:** As water quality priorities change and certain WBPCs are being addressed or identified, monitoring site locations may need to be added or changed.
- **Monitoring constituents:** Eliminate or reduce monitoring of certain constituents. If constituents were initially detected during initiation of the CIMP and are not being addressed by a watershed control measure.
- **Monitoring frequency:** Increased or decreased based on the evaluation of RWL, WQBELs, or non-stormwater action levels.

Based on the re-evaluation, CIMP revisions will be made and submitted to the Regional Board for approval.

11.0 Reporting

Analysis and reporting of data is an integral part of communicating to the Regional Board whether the CIMP is meeting MRP objectives. The MRP establishes NPDES permit monitoring, reporting, and recordkeeping requirements, including those for large MS4s, based on federal Clean Water Act (CWA) section 308(a) and Code of Federal Regulations (40 CFR) sections 122.26(d)(2)(i)(F), (iii)(D), 122.41(h)-(l), 122.42(c), and 122.48. In addition, California Water Code (CWC) section 13383 authorizes the Regional Board to establish monitoring, inspection, entry, reporting, and recordkeeping requirements. The sections below will outline the CIMP reporting process for the Beach Cities WMG.

11.1 Documents and Records

Consistent with the Part XIV.A of the MRP requirements, the Beach Cities WMG will retain records of all monitoring information, including: all calibration, major maintenance records, all original lab and field data sheets, all original strip chart recordings for continuous monitoring instrumentations, copies of all reports required by the Permit, and records of data used to complete the application for the Permit for a period of at least 3 years from the date of the sample, measurement, report, or application.

Records of monitoring will include:

1. The date, time of sampling or measurements, exact place, weather conditions, and rain fall amount;
2. The individual(s) who performed the sampling or measurements;
3. The date(s) analyses were performed;
4. The individual(s) who performed the analyses;
5. The analytical techniques or methods used;
6. The results of such analyses; and
7. The data sheets showing toxicity test results.

11.1.1 Semi-Annual Analytical Data Submittal

Monitoring data will be submitted semi-annually (by June 15 and December 15 of each year), as stated in Part XIV.L of the MRP. The transmitted data will be in the most recent update of the Southern California Municipal Storm Water Monitoring Coalition's (SMC) Standardized Data Transfer Formats (SDTFs) and sent electronically to the LARWQCB Stormwater site to MS4stormwaterRB4@waterboards.ca.gov. The SMC SDTFs can be found at the Southern California Coastal Water Research Project (SCCWRP) web page <http://www.sccwrp.org/data/DataSubmission.aspx>. The monitoring data should highlight the following:

1. Exceedances of applicable WQBELs,

2. Receiving water limitations,
3. Action levels, and/or
4. Aquatic toxicity thresholds for all test results, with corresponding sampling dates per receiving water monitoring station.

11.2 Monitoring Reports

Part XVIII.A.5, of the MRP presents the requirements of the Integrated Monitoring Compliance Report (IMCR) that will be included and submitted on an annual basis as part of the Annual Report. As discussed in **Section 9**, the IMCR is one of seven parts of the Annual Assessment and Reporting.

The IMCR will include the following information as required by the MRP:

- Summary of exceedances against all applicable RWL, WQBELs, non-stormwater action levels, and aquatic toxicity thresholds for:
 1. Receiving water monitoring – Wet- and dry-weather;
 2. Stormwater outfall monitoring; and
 3. Non-stormwater outfall monitoring.
- Summary of actions taken:
 1. To address exceedances for WQBELs, non-stormwater action levels, or aquatic toxicity for stormwater and non-stormwater outfall monitoring.
 2. To determine whether MS4 discharges contributed to RWL exceedances and efforts taken to control the discharge causing the exceedances to the receiving water.
- If aquatic toxicity was confirmed and a TIE was conducted, identify the toxic chemicals determined by the TIE, and include all relevant data to allow the Regional Board to review the adequacy and findings of the TIE.

The IMCR will be submitted as part of the Annual Assessment Report to the Regional Board by December 15th of each year, for at least the duration of the Permit term. As indicated above, event summary reports will be attached to the IMCR.

11.3 Signatory and Certification Requirements

Part V.B of Attachment D of the Permit presents the Signatory and Certification Requirements and states:

1. All applications, reports, or information submitted to the Regional Water Board, State Water Board, and/or USEPA shall be signed and certified in accordance with Standard Provisions – Reporting V.B.2, V.B.3, V.B.4, and V.B.5 below [40 CFR section 122.41(k)(1)].
2. All applications submitted to the Regional Water Board shall be signed by either a principal executive officer or ranking elected official. For purposes of this section, a principal executive officer includes: (i) the chief executive officer of the agency (e.g., Mayor), or (ii) a senior executive officer having responsibility for the overall operations

- of a principal geographic unit of the agency (e.g., City Manager, Director of Public Works, City Engineer, etc.).[40 CFR section 122.22(a)(3)].
3. All reports required by this Order and other information requested by the Regional Water Board, State Water Board, or USEPA shall be signed by a person described in Standard Provisions – Reporting V.B.2 above, or by a duly authorized representative of that person. A person is a duly authorized representative only if:
 - a. The authorization is made in writing by a person described in Standard Provisions – Reporting V.B.2 above [40 CFR section 122.22(b)(1)];
 - b. The authorization specifies either an individual or a position having responsibility for the overall operation of the regulated facility or activity such as the position of plant manager, operator of a well or a well field, superintendent, position of equivalent responsibility, or an individual or position having overall responsibility for environmental matters for the company. (A duly authorized representative may thus be either a named individual or any individual occupying a named position.) [40 CFR section 122.22(b)(2)]; and
 - c. The written authorization is submitted to the Regional Water Board [40 CFR section 122.22(b)(3)].
 4. If an authorization under Standard Provisions – Reporting V.B.3 above is no longer accurate because a different individual or position has responsibility for the overall operation of the facility, a new authorization satisfying the requirements of Standard Provisions – Reporting V.B.3 above must be submitted to the Regional Water Board prior to or together with any reports, information, or applications, to be signed by an authorized representative [40 CFR section 122.22(c)].
 5. Any person signing a document under Standard Provisions – Reporting V.B.2 or V.B.3 above shall make the following certification: “I certify under penalty of law that this document and all attachments were prepared under my direction or supervision in accordance with a system designed to assure that qualified personnel properly gather and evaluate the information submitted. Based on my inquiry of the person or persons who manage the system or those persons directly responsible for gathering the information, the information submitted is, to the best of my knowledge and belief, true, accurate, and complete. I am aware that there are significant penalties for submitting false information, including the possibility of fine and imprisonment for knowing violations.” [40 CFR section 122.22(d)].

All required signatures and statements will be included as an attachment to the Annual Report, which will be submitted to the Regional Board by December 15th of each year, for the duration of the Permit term.

12.0 Schedule for CIMP Implementation

As stated in Part IV.C.6 of the MRP, the Beach Cities WMG’s CIMP will commence within 90 days after approval by the Executive Officer of the Regional Board. Grab samples will be collected for all monitoring sites described within this CIMP. Existing monitoring will continue to be conducted and beginning summer of 2014, the dry weather screening of major outfalls will commence. Implementation of new monitoring programs and modifications to existing monitoring programs will be implemented beginning July 2015 or 90 days after the approval of the CIMP, whichever is later.

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Appendix A
TMDL Requirements and Existing Monitoring
Programs

**Beach Cities CIMP Appendix A
Total Maximum Daily Load Requirements and
Existing Monitoring Programs**

June 2014

A.1 Total Maximum Daily Load Monitoring Requirements

Attachment K to the 2012 MS4 Permit identifies Total Maximum Daily Loads (TMDLs) applicable to each Permittee and the Beach Cities Watershed Management Group (Beach Cities WMG) Permittees are included on Tables K-2 for the Santa Monica Bay (SMB) and K-4 for the Dominguez Channel (DC) Watersheds. The Beach Cities Permittees directly discharge to Santa Monica Bay and those TMDLs are of highest priority and most immediate concern. Since flows from the Beach Cities WMG only indirectly flow to Machado Lake, which is actively managed by the City of Los Angeles, the Watershed Management Area (WMA) anticipates providing monitoring support for those lake TMDLs. A similar role is anticipated with respect to the DC and Greater Harbor Toxic Pollutants TMDL, which has a significant legacy component and large stakeholder group. The TMDLs, of greatest concern to the Beach Cities WMG, are further characterized in the following subsections and include the following:

- Los Angeles Regional Water Quality Control Board (LARWQCB) Santa Monica Bay Beaches Bacteria TMDLs, effective July 15, 2003 (SMBBB TMDL);
- United States Environmental Protection Agency (USEPA) Santa Monica Bay TMDL for Dichlorodiphenyltrichloroethane (DDTs) and Polychlorinated biphenyls (PCBs), March 26, 2012 (SMB DDT and PCB TMDL);
- LARWQCB Santa Monica Bay Nearshore and Offshore Debris TMDL, effective March 20, 2012 (SMB Debris TMDL);
- LARWQCB Trash TMDL for Machado Lake in the Dominguez Channel Watershed, effective March 6, 2008 (Machado Lake Trash TMDL);
- LARWQCB Machado Lake Eutrophic, Algae, Ammonia, and Odors (Nutrient) TMDL, effective March 11, 2009 (Machado Lake Nutrient TMDL);
- LARWQCB Machado Lake Pesticides and PCBs TMDL, effective March 20, 2012 (Machado Lake Toxics TMDL); and
- LARWQCB Dominguez Channel and Greater Los Angeles and Long Beach Harbor Waters Toxic Pollutants TMDL, effective March 23, 2012 (Harbors Toxics TMDL).

A.1.1 Santa Monica Bay Beaches Bacteria TMDL

The SMB Beaches Bacteria TMDL establishes multi-part numeric targets for total coliform, fecal coliform and enterococcus densities, reported as bacteria counts (Most Probable Number/MPN or Colony Forming Units/CFU) per 100 milliliters of sample. The TMDL Waste Load Allocation (WLA), expressed as Water Quality-Based Effluent Limitations (WQBELs) for outfall discharges, are based on the Los Angeles Basin Plan objectives for body-contact recreation (REC-1) and summarized in **Table A-1**. Dry-weather WQBELs compliance was required as of December 28, 2012, the effective date of the MS4 Permit, while wet-weather compliance is required by July 15, 2021. The Daily Maximum WQBEL applies to single samples, while the Geometric mean is calculated using all applicable samples collected during the prior 30 days.

Table A-1 SMB Beaches Bacteria TMDL Water Quality-Based Effluent Limitations

| Constituent | Daily Maximum (MPN or CFU) | Geometric Mean (MPN or CFU) |
|-----------------------------|----------------------------|-----------------------------|
| Total Coliform ¹ | 10,000/100 mL | 1,000/100 mL |
| Fecal Coliform | 400/100 mL | 200/100 mL |
| Enterococcus | 104/100 mL | 35/100 mL |

¹ Total Coliform density shall not exceed a daily maximum of 1,000/100 mL, if the ratio of fecal to total coliform exceeds 0.1.

The TMDL WLA, expressed as Receiving Water Limitations (RWLs), are based on the Los Angeles Basin Plan objectives for body-contact recreation (REC-1) as summarized in **Table A-2**.

Table A-2 Santa Monica Bay Bacteria TMDL Load Receiving Water Limitation

| Constituent | Daily Maximum (MPN or CFU) | Geometric Mean (MPN or CFU) |
|-----------------------------|----------------------------|-----------------------------|
| Total Coliform ¹ | 10,000/100 mL | 1,000/100 mL |
| Fecal Coliform | 400/100 mL | 200/100 mL |
| Enterococcus | 104/100 mL | 35/100 mL |

¹ Total Coliform density shall not exceed a daily maximum of 1,000/100 mL, if the ratio of fecal to total coliform exceeds 0.1.

Recognizing that storms and other natural events may cause a RWLs exceedance, the TMDL allows a limited number of annual exceedance days. These occur when the average of samples taken within the preceding 30 days exceeds the geometric mean limit or when any single sample exceeds the WQBEL/RWL. The interim single sample bacteria RWL schedule for wet-weather is presented in **Table A-3**.

Table A-3 Interim Single Sample Receiving Water Limitations Schedule

| Deadline | Cumulative percentage reduction from the total exceedance day reductions required for each jurisdictional group as identified in Table M-1 |
|---------------|--|
| July 15, 2013 | 25% |
| July 15, 2018 | 50% |

Table A-4 presents the interim single sample bacteria RWLs for the Beach Cities WMG per Table M-2 of the MS4 Permit. Permittees in each jurisdictional group must comply with the interim for all shoreline monitoring stations within their jurisdictional area during wet-weather.

Table A-4 Maximum Allowable Exceedance Days during Wet-Weather¹

| JG | Primary Jurisdiction | Additional Responsible Jurisdiction and Agencies | Monitoring Sites | 10% Reduction Milestone | 25% Reduction Milestone | 50% Reduction Milestone |
|----|----------------------|---|---|-------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|
| 5 | Manhattan Beach | El Segundo Hermosa Beach Redondo Beach County of Los Angeles | SMB-5-1 [#] SMB-5-2 SMB-5-3 [#] SMB-5-4 [#] SMB-5-5 [#] | 29 | 29 | 29 |
| 6 | Redondo Beach | Hermosa Beach Manhattan Beach Torrance County of Los Angeles | SMB-6-1 SMB-6-2 [#] SMB-6-3 SMB-6-4 SMB-6-5 [#] SMB-6-6 [#] | 58 | 57 | 56 |

¹ Interim Single Sample Bacteria Receiving Water Limitations.

[#] Monitoring locations subject to the antidegradation implementation provision in the TMDL.

The grouped final single sample bacteria RWLs for all monitoring stations along SMB, except for those monitoring stations subject to the antidegradation implementation provisions, is summarized in **Table A-5**.

Table A-5 Annual Allowable Exceedance Days of the Single Sample Objective (days)¹

| Time Period | Daily Sampling | Weekly Sampling |
|---|----------------|-----------------|
| Summer Dry-Weather (April 1 to October 31) | 0 | 0 |
| Winter Dry-Weather (November 1 to March 31) | 3(9) | 1(2) |
| Wet-Weather ² (Year-round) | 17 | 3 |

¹ The final RWLs are group-based and shared among all MS4 Permittees located within the sub-drainage area to each beach monitoring location. Values in parentheses apply following effective date LARWQCB R12-007

² Wet-weather is defined as days with 0.1 inch of rain or greater and the three days following the rain event.

In accordance with the 2004 approved Coordinated Shoreline Monitoring Plan (CSMP), the SMB Beaches Bacteria TMDL shoreline monitoring program was implemented in November 2004. Point zero (ankle depth) and open beach water samples are collected along the shoreline throughout SMB. Within Beach Cities WMG, there are 11 monitoring stations. The grouped final single sample bacteria receiving water limitations monitoring site with anti-degradation implementation provisions is summarized in **Table A-6**. Monitoring stations SMB 5-2, 6-1, 6-3, and 6-4 are not listed as part of the grouped final single sample bacteria receiving water limitations.

Table A-6 Annual Allowable Exceedance Day of the Single Sample Objective for Antidegradation Sites (days)¹

| Monitoring Sites | Beach Monitoring Locations | Summer Dry-Weather (April 1 - October 31) | | Winter Dry-Weather (November 1 - March 31) | | Wet-Weather (Year-round) | |
|------------------|--|---|-----------------|--|-----------------|--------------------------|-----------------|
| | | Daily Sampling | Weekly Sampling | Daily Sampling | Weekly Sampling | Daily Sampling | Weekly Sampling |
| SMB 5-1 | Manhattan Beach at 40 th Street | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 4 | 1 |
| SMB 5-3 | Manhattan Beach Pier, southern drain | 0 | 0 | 1(3) | 1 | 5(6) | 1 |
| SMB 5-4 | Hermosa City Beach at 26 th St. | 0 | 0 | 3 | 1 | 12 | 2 |
| SMB 5-5 | Hermosa Beach Pier | 0 | 0 | 2 | 1 | 8 | 2 |
| SMB 6-2 | Redondo Municipal Pier – 100 yards south | 0 | 0 | 3 | 1 | 14 | 2 |
| SMB 6-5 | Avenue I storm drain at Redondo Beach | 0 | 0 | 3(4) | 1 | 6(11) | 1(2) |
| SMB 6-6 | Malaga Cove, Palos Verdes Estates | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 3 | 1 |

¹ The final RWLs are group-based and shared among all MS4 Permittees located within the sub-drainage area to each beach monitoring location. Values in parentheses apply following effective date LARWQCB R12-007

A.1.2 Santa Monica Bay TMDLs for DDTs and PCBs

The SMB TMDL for DDTs and PCBs includes the area from Point Dume to Point Vicente, while the Palos Verdes shelf includes the area from Point Vicente to Point Fermin. As a USEPA originated TMDL, implementation may occur through a State approved implementation plan, National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) permit, or other regulatory mechanism, such as Waste Discharge Requirements (WDRs), conditional waivers of WDRs, or enforcement actions. The LARWQCB has chosen to implement the TMDL through the MS4 Permit, using WLA targets, expressed as an annual loading of pollutants to SMB, as indicated in **Table A-7**.

Table A-7 Santa Monica Bay DDTs and PCBs TMDL Waste Load Allocations Targets

| Constituent | Annual Mass-Based WLA (g/yr) ¹ |
|-------------|---|
| DDT | 27.08 |
| PCBs | 140.25 |

¹ Compliance shall be determined based on a three-year averaging period.

The Beach Cities WMG propose to follow the Permit Minimum Stormwater Outfall Based Monitoring Program of three events per year, with no dry-weather monitoring. Dry-weather flows are diverted or rare and therefore have a de minimus contribution to the annual load.

A.1.3 Santa Monica Bay Debris TMDL

Compliance with the SMB Debris TMDL is based on the final Numeric Target and Waste Load and Load Allocations (WLA and LA), which are defined as zero trash in and on the shorelines of SMB, and no plastic pellets discharged from plastic manufacturers and facilities. Compliance is to be achieved no later than March 20, 2020, and every year thereafter. If a Permittee adopts local ordinances to ban plastic bags, smoking in public places and single use expanded polystyrene food packaging by November 4, 2013, then the final compliance date will be extended until March 20, 2023. SMB Debris TMDL compliance is assessed in accordance with the Permittees' implementation of programs for point and non-point source trash and plastic pellet abatement, and attainment of the progressive trash reductions in accordance with the TMDL compliance schedule as shown in **Table A-8**. Compliance strategy with the SMB Debris TMDL is based on installation of structural Best Management Practices (BMPs), such as full capture or partial capture systems, institutional controls, or any BMPs, to attain a progressive reduction in the amount of trash in SMB.

Table A-8 SMB Debris TMDL Compliance Schedule

| Permittees | Baseline ¹ | Annual Trash Discharge (gals/yr) | | | | |
|-----------------|-----------------------|----------------------------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|-----------------------------|
| | | March 20, 2016 | March 20, 2017 | March 20, 2018 | March 20, 2019 | March 20, 2020 ² |
| Hermosa Beach | 1,117 | 894 | 670 | 447 | 223 | 0 |
| Manhattan Beach | 2,501 | 2,001 | 1,501 | 1,001 | 500 | 0 |
| Redondo Beach | 3,197 | 2,558 | 1,918 | 1,279 | 639 | 0 |
| Torrance | 2,484 | 1,987 | 1,490 | 993 | 497 | 0 |

¹ If a Permittee elects not to use the default baseline, then the Permittee shall include a plan to establish a site specific trash baseline in their TMRP.

² Permittees shall achieve their final effluent limitation of zero trash discharge for the 2019-2020 storm year and every year thereafter.

The SMB Debris TMDL Staff Report requires the development of a Trash Monitoring and Reporting Plan (TMRP) and Plastic Pellets Monitoring and Reporting Plan (PMRP) to be approved by the Regional Board EO. The City of Hermosa Beach provided an undated TMRP, with cover letter dated September 20, 2012, asserting that the three ordinances would be adopted and no debris monitoring was warranted, so long as a full capture BMP implementation compliance schedule was followed. A similar TMRP was prepared by the City of Manhattan Beach. The City of Redondo Beach TMRP, made no assertion regarding the source control ordinances, but planned for a baseline assessment study and annual monitoring effort. However, the TMRP indicated that a full capture BMP installation effort would be tracking the schedule in **Table A-8**. No TMRP was provided by the City of Torrance.

The Cities of Hermosa Beach and Manhattan Beach provided letters, directed to the LARWQB EO and dated September 20 and 26, 2013, respectively, demonstrating that the PMRP were not required within their jurisdictions. It is unclear if similar letters were sent by the Cities of Redondo Beach and Torrance.

Assuming the TMRP and PMRP letters are ultimately approved, responsible WMG members will conduct annual reporting that consist of numeric progress assessments regarding the installation of full capture certified connector pipe (CPS) screens and similar devices. Since the Cities of Redondo Beach and Torrance have not adopted trash source control ordinances, they should follow the **Table A-8** schedule, while Hermosa Beach and Manhattan Beach would have a final compliance date that is extended three years.

A.1.4 Machado Lake Trash TMDL

The existing Machado Lake beneficial uses, impaired by trash accumulations that include suspended and settled debris, are Water Contact Recreation (REC-1), Non-contact Water Recreation (REC-2), Warm Freshwater Habitat (WARM), Wildlife Habitat (WILD), Rare, Threatened, or Endangered Species (RARE), and Wetland Habitat (WET). Items reported to be commonly observed by Regional Board staff include styrofoam cups and food containers, glass and plastic bottles, paper cartons, packaging materials, plastic bags, and cans, although heavier debris is transported during storms. The Machado Lake Trash TMDL requires responsible Permittees to implement a Minimum Frequency of Assessment and Collection (MFAC) program, BMPs that comply with the progressive trash reduction schedule, or LARWQCB-approved trash full capture devices. Compliance with the TMDL is numeric and progressive with the WLAs and LAs defined as zero trash discharges in and on the shoreline of Machado Lake.

The interim trash reduction compliance schedule as shown in **Table A-9** for the responsible Beach Cities WMG Permittees will be assessed based on the approved implementation plan and attainment of progressive trash reductions or full capture BMP installations. Final compliance is to be achieved by March 6, 2016, and every year thereafter; however, with annual WLA WQBEL compliance determinations, final compliance effectively begins on March 7, 2015.

Table A-9 Machado Lake Trash Water Quality-Based Effluent Limitations

| Permittees | Baseline ¹ | Annual Trash Discharge (uncompressed gals/yr) | | | | |
|---------------|-----------------------|---|---------------|---------------|---------------|----------------------------|
| | | March 6, 2012 | March 6, 2013 | March 6, 2014 | March 6, 2015 | March 6, 2016 ² |
| Redondo Beach | 18 | 15 | 11 | 7 | 4 | 0 |
| Torrance | 34,809 | 27,847 | 20,885 | 13,924 | 6,962 | 0 |

¹ The Regional Water Board calculated the baseline water quality-based effluent limitations for the Permittees based on the estimated trash generation rate of 5,334 gallons of uncompressed trash per square mile per year.

² Permittees shall achieve their final effluent limitation of zero trash discharge for the 2015-2016 storm year and every year thereafter.

A.1.5 Machado Lake Nutrient TMDL

The Machado Lake Nutrient TMDL was adopted by the Regional Board on May 1, 2008, and approved by the State Water Resources Control Board (State Board) on December 2, 2008. Upon approval by the USEPA, the TMDL became effective on March 11, 2009. The Nutrient TMDL was developed to address beneficial use impairments due to eutrophication, algae, ammonia, and odor in Machado Lake which arise due to the enrichment of the lake with nitrogen and phosphorus. The degraded warm water ecosystem is impaired for LARWQCB Basin Plan WARM, REC 1 and REC 2 beneficial uses. The Machado Lake Nutrient TMDL set concentration-based WLAs for in-lake or end-of-pipe compliance options while allowing for a mass-based compliance option, on the condition that parties choosing this option develop the equivalent mass-based WLA, and method of compliance with the WLA, through a Special Study. The WQBEL and RWL WLAs for nutrients in Machado Lake were developed based on the nutrient loading capacity. **Table A-10** and **Table A-11** present the interim and final annual WQBEL and RWL, respectively. The interim allocations are intended to allow dischargers to implement the measures necessary to achieve the final allocations. The interim WQBEL and RWL are based on current in-lake concentrations and require a reduction in concentration over time.

Table A-10 Machado Lake Nutrient Interim and Final Water Quality-Based Effluent Limitations

| Deadline | Monthly Average Total Phosphorus (mg/L) | Monthly Average Total Nitrogen (TKN + NO ₃ -N + NO ₂ -N) (mg/L) |
|--------------------|---|---|
| At Effective Date | 1.25 | 3.50 |
| March 11, 2014 | 1.25 | 2.45 |
| September 11, 2018 | 0.10 | 1.00 |

Table A-11 Machado Lake Nutrient Interim and Final Receiving Water Limitations

| Deadline | Monthly Average Total Phosphorus (mg/L) | Monthly Average Total Nitrogen (TKN + NO ₃ -N + NO ₂ -N) (mg/L) |
|--------------------|---|---|
| At Effective Date | 1.25 | 3.50 |
| March 11, 2014 | 1.25 | 2.45 |
| September 11, 2018 | 0.10 | 1.00 |

The City of Torrance submitted a special work plan, which was approved by the Regional Board EO, and established the annual mass-based water quality-based effluent limitations shown in **Table A-12**. The special work plan can be reviewed in **Appendix B**.

Table A-12 Machado Lake Nutrient Interim and Final WQBELs for City of Torrance

| Deadline | Annual Load Total Phosphorus (kg) | Annual Load Total Nitrogen (TKN + NO ₃ -N + NO ₂ -N) (kg) |
|--------------------|-----------------------------------|---|
| March 11, 2014 | 3,760 | 7,370 |
| September 11, 2018 | 301 | 3,008 |

3.6 Machado Lake Toxics TMDL

The Machado Lake Toxics TMDL was adopted by the LARWQCB on September 2, 2010, approved by the State Board on December 6, 2011, and became effective on March 20, 2012, upon approval by the USEPA. The Toxics TMDL addresses impairments due to organochlorine pesticides (chlordane, dieldrin, and DDT) and PCBs in fish tissue. Organochlorine (OC) Pesticides are often referred to as legacy pesticides, since they have been banned from use for decades, but continue to persist in the environment and cause water quality impairments. PCBs are similar chlorinated hydrocarbons consisting of a mixture of up to 209 different congeners, generally appearing as oily liquids or waxy solids. They were produced in the United States from 1929 until being banned in 1979. The chemical properties of these toxic compounds result in strong binding to particulates, such as fine-grained sediments and organic matter. OC Pesticides and PCBs bioaccumulate and the environment risk rarely occur as the result of a single discharge event. The Regional Board created the WQBEL with a 3-year averaging period. The impacts of OC Pesticides and PCBs are manifested over long time periods.

As presented in **Table A-13**, the Regional Board assigned pesticides and PCBs WQBELs, as concentration-based WLAs equal to the sediment numeric targets, for suspended sediment-associated contaminants, which must be met by September 30, 2019. This was to ensure that targets in the lake will not be exceeded. The 3-year averaging period protects the beneficial uses of the lake over long time periods.

Table A-13 WQBELs for Pesticides and PCBs

| Pollutant | Effluent Limitations for Suspended Sediment- Associated Contaminants (µg/kg dry weight) |
|---------------------|---|
| Total PCBs | 59.8 |
| DDT (all congeners) | 4.16 |
| DDE (all congeners) | 3.16 |
| DDD (all congeners) | 4.88 |
| Total DDT | 5.28 |
| Chlordane | 3.24 |
| Dieldrin | 1.9 |

3.7 Dominguez Channel and Harbors Toxics TMDL

The Dominguez Channel and Harbors Toxics TMDL identify water quality standards for the Dominguez Channel, Torrance Lateral and Greater Los Angeles and Long Beach Harbors (Greater Harbor Waters), including wet-weather freshwater objectives for the Dominguez Channel and Torrance Lateral. The TMDLs identify impaired sediment chemistry, sediment quality conditions (benthic communities) and bioaccumulation (elevated fish tissue levels) objectives that apply year-round in Dominguez Channel Estuary and Greater Harbor water bodies. The interim TMDL are presented in **Table A-14** and for freshwaters in Dominguez Channel and Torrance Lateral and **Table A-16** present the TMDL for impaired sediment chemistry for Dominguez Channel Estuary and Greater Harbor Waters. The interim Water Quality Objectives (WQOs) are to be met upon the effective date of the TMDL to ensure that no additional decreases in water quality occur.

As recognized by the footnote in Attachment K-4 of the Permit, the County of Los Angeles, the Los Angeles County Flood Control District, and the cities of Redondo Beach, Torrance, and Manhattan Beach have entered into an Amended Consent Decree with the United States and the State of California, including the Regional Board, pursuant to which the Regional Board has released the County of Los Angeles, the Los Angeles County Flood Control District, and the cities of Redondo Beach, Torrance, and Manhattan Beach from responsibility for Toxic pollutants in the Dominguez Channel and the Greater Los Angeles and Long Beach Harbors. Accordingly, no inference should be drawn from the submission of this CIMP or from any action or implementation taken pursuant to it that the County of Los Angeles, the Los Angeles County Flood Control District, and the cities of Redondo Beach, Torrance, and Manhattan Beach is obligated to implement the DC Toxics TMDL, including this CIMP or any of the DC Toxics TMDL's other obligations or plans, or that the County or the Flood Control District has waived any rights under the Amended Consent Decree.

Final TMDL WQBELs for Dominguez Channel freshwater is presented in **Table A-14** and Torrance Lateral for freshwater and sediment chemistry in **Table A-18**, and Dominguez Channel Estuary and Greater Los Angeles and Long Beach Harbor Waters for sediment deposited in **Table A-19** and sediment discharge in **Table A-20**. These WQBELs are to be met no later than March 23, 2032, and every year thereafter.

Table A-14 Wet-Weather Interim Toxicity WQBEL

| Water Bodies | Interim | Final |
|--------------------------------|---------|-------|
| Dominguez Channel (Freshwater) | 2 TUc | 1 TUc |

Table A-15 Wet-Weather Interim WQBELs, Dominguez Channel Freshwater and Torrance Lateral

| Metals | Interim Effluent Limitation Daily Maximum (µg/L) |
|--------------|---|
| Total Copper | 207.51 |
| Total Lead | 122.88 |
| Total Zinc | 898.87 |

Table A-16 Interim WQBELs, Dominguez Channel Estuary and Greater Los Angeles and Long Beach Harbor Waters

| Water Body | Interim Effluent Limitations Daily Maximums (mg/kg sediments) | | | | | |
|---|--|---------|---------|-------|---------|-------|
| | Copper | Lead | Zinc | DDT | PAHs | PCBs |
| Dominguez Channel Estuary | 220.0 | 510.0 | 789.0 | 1.727 | 31.60 | 1.490 |
| Long Beach Inner Harbor | 142.3 | 50.4 | 240.6 | 0.070 | 4.58 | 0.060 |
| Los Angeles Inner Harbor | 154.1 | 145.5 | 362.0 | 0.341 | 90.30 | 2.107 |
| Long Beach Outer Harbor (inside breakwater) | 67.3 | 46.7 | 150 | 0.075 | 4.022 | 0.248 |
| Los Angeles Outer Harbor (inside breakwater) | 104.1 | 46.7 | 150 | 0.097 | 4.022 | 0.310 |
| Los Angeles River Estuary | 53.0 | 46.7 | 183.5 | 0.254 | 4.36 | 0.683 |
| San Pedro Bay Near/Off Shore Zones | 76.9 | 66.6 | 263.1 | 0.057 | 4.022 | 0.193 |
| Los Angeles Harbor – Cabrillo Marina | 367.6 | 72.6 | 281.8 | 0.186 | 36.12 | 0.199 |
| Los Angeles Harbor – Consolidated Slip | 1,470.0 | 1,100.0 | 1,705.0 | 1.724 | 386.00 | 1.920 |
| Los Angeles Harbor – Inner Cabrillo Beach Area | 129.7 | 46.7 | 163.1 | 0.145 | 4.022 | 0.033 |
| Fish Harbor | 558.6 | 116.5 | 430.5 | 40.5 | 2,102.7 | 36.6 |

Table A-17 Final Wet-Weather Freshwater QBELs, Dominguez Channel

| Metals | Water Column Mass-Based Final Effluent Limitation Daily Maximum ¹ (g/day) |
|--------------|--|
| Total Copper | 1,300.3 |
| Total Lead | 5,733.7 |
| Total Zinc | 9,355.5 |

¹ Effluent limitations are based on a hardness of 50mg/L, and 90th percentile of annual flow rates (62.7 cfs) in Dominguez Channel. Recalculated mass-based effluent limitations using ambient hardness and flow rate at the time of sampling are consistent with the assumptions and requirements of the TMDL. In addition to the effluent limitations above, samples collected during flow conditions less than the 90th percentile of annual flow rates must demonstrate that the acute and chronic hardness dependent water quality criteria provided in the California Toxics Rule (CTR) are achieved.

Table A-18 Final Wet-Weather QBELs for Torrance Lateral

| Metals | Water | Sediment |
|--------------|--|---|
| | Water Column Effluent Limitation Daily Maximum ¹ (unfiltered, µg/L) | Concentration-Based Effluent Limitation Daily Maximum (mg/kg dry) |
| Total Copper | 9.7 | 31.6 |
| Total Lead | 42.7 | 35.6 |
| Total Zinc | 69.7 | 121 |

¹ Effluent limitations are based on a hardness of 50 mg/L. Recalculated concentrations-based effluent limitations using ambient hardness at the time of sampling are consistent with the assumptions and requirements of the TMDL. In addition to the effluent limitations above, samples collected during flow concentrations less than the 90th percentile of annual flow rates must demonstrate that the acute and chronic hardness dependent water quality criteria provided in the CTR area achieved.

Table A-19 Final QBELs Sediment Deposited to Dominguez Channel Estuary and Greater Los Angeles and Long Beach Harbor Waters

| Water Body | Final Effluent Limitations | | | | | |
|---------------------------|----------------------------|----------|----------|------------|---------------|------------|
| | Annual (kg/yr) | | | | Annual (g/yr) | |
| | Total Cu | Total Pb | Total Zn | Total PAHs | Total DDTs | Total PCBs |
| Dominguez Channel Estuary | 22.4 | 54.2 | 271.8 | 0.134 | 0.250 | 0.207 |
| Consolidated Slip | 2.73 | 3.63 | 28.7 | 0.0058 | 0.009 | 0.004 |
| Inner Harbor | 1.7 | 34.0 | 115.9 | 0.088 | 0.051 | 0.059 |
| Outer Harbor | 0.91 | 26.1 | 81.5 | 0.105 | 0.005 | 0.020 |
| Fish Harbor (POLA) | 0.00017 | 0.54 | 1.62 | 0.007 | 0.0003 | 0.0019 |
| Cabrillo Marina (POLA) | 0.0196 | 0.289 | 0.74 | 0.00016 | 0.000028 | 0.000025 |
| Inner Cabrillo Beach | -- | -- | -- | -- | 0.0001 | 0.0003 |
| San Pedro Bay | 20.3 | 54.7 | 213.1 | 1.76 | 0.049 | 0.44 |
| Los Angeles River Estuary | 35.3 | 65.7 | 242.0 | 2.31 | 0.100 | 0.324 |

Table A-20 Final WQBELs Sediment Discharge to Dominguez Channel Estuary and Greater Los Angeles and Long Beach Harbor Waters

| Water Bodies | Effluent Limitations Daily Maximum (mg/kg dry sediment) | | |
|---------------------------|--|----------|---------|
| | Cadmium | Chromium | Mercury |
| Dominguez Channel Estuary | 1.2 | -- | -- |
| Consolidated Slip | 1.2 | 81 | 0.15 |
| Fish Harbor | -- | -- | 0.15 |

A.2 Existing Watershed Monitoring Programs

Existing watershed monitoring programs provide historical data and identification of constituents for monitoring. The following subsections briefly describe significant existing and historical monitoring programs relevant to the Beach Cities WMG. All existing monitoring locations are presented in **Figure A-1**.

A.2.1 Los Angeles County Mass Emission and Tributary Monitoring

In anticipation of, and compliance with, prior MS4 Permits, the County of Los Angeles initiated in 1994 a multi-watershed monitoring program with annual reporting. Much like the Receiving Water monitoring program in the current permit, a minimum of three wet-weather events, including the first storm event of the year, and two dry-weather events were sampled at each mass emission station. Both grab and composite samples were collected and variously analyzed for:

- Conventional pollutants (oil and grease, total phenols, cyanide, pH and dissolved oxygen)
- Total Suspended Solids
- General minerals
- Indicator Bacteria
- Metals
- Semi-Volatile Organic Compounds
- Chlorinated Pesticides and Polychlorinated biphenyls
- Organophosphate Pesticides
- Herbicides

For the Beach Cities WMG area, the most relevant mass emission site is S28, located in Dominguez Channel near the intersection of the Dominguez Channel and Artesia Boulevard, in the City of Torrance, and presented in **Figure A-1**. This location was previously chosen to encompass a tributary area of 33 square miles, including portions of the Cities of Hermosa Beach, Manhattan Beach, and Torrance.

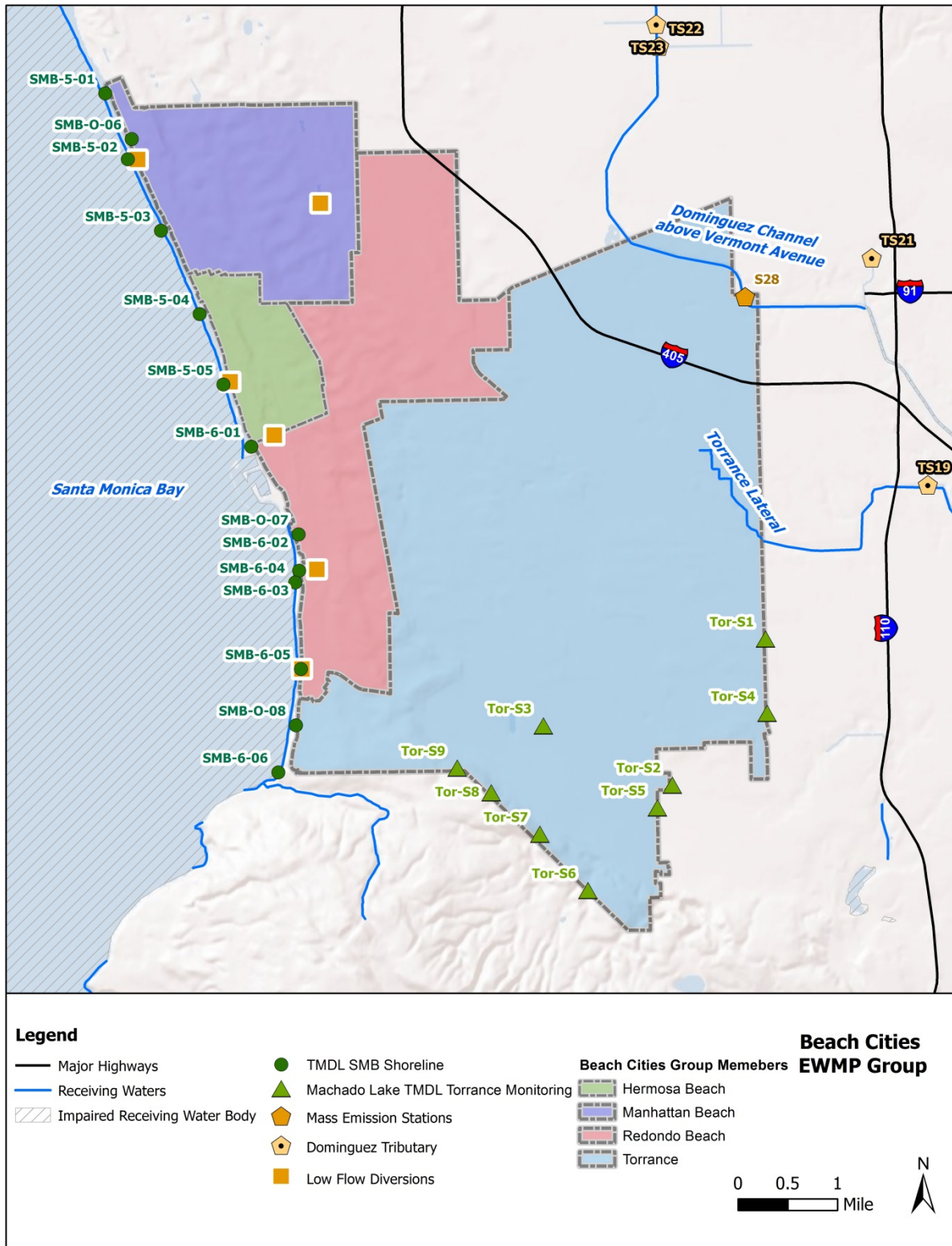


Figure A-1 Beach Cities WMG Reported Monitoring Stations

A.2.2 Santa Monica Bay Beaches Bacteria TMDL Shoreline Monitoring

The Los Angeles County Department of Health Services (LACDHS) and Los Angeles County Sanitation Districts (LACSD) historically monitored shoreline water quality at 55 sites along the Santa Monica Bay and Palos Verdes Peninsula (Attachment A to Resolution No. 2002-022). In 1998, the Santa Monica Bay Beaches were listed as impaired in the 1998 Clean Water Act 303(d) list of impaired waters due to excessive coliform bacteria. In 2003, following USEPA approval, the Santa Monica Bay Beaches Bacteria TMDL for dry- and wet-weather conditions became effective. To comply with the requirements of the TMDL, the associated Jurisdictional Groups developed and implemented the Coordinated Shoreline Monitoring Plan (CSMP). Currently the LACDHS and a Private Laboratory monitor water quality at eleven Jurisdictional Group 5 and 6 sites within the Beach Cities WMG area. A description of these monitoring sites is presented in **Table A-21** and shown in **Figure A-1**.

Table A-21 Santa Monica Bay Beaches Bacteria TMDL Monitoring Sites

| Station Name | JG | Type | LFD | Sampling Agency | Location Description | Sample Schedule |
|----------------------|----|------------|--------|-----------------|--|-----------------|
| SMB 5-1 [#] | 5 | Open Beach | No | Private Lab | 40 th Street, Manhattan Beach | Weekly |
| SMB 5-2 | 5 | Point Zero | Yes(2) | LACDHS | 27/28 th Street extended, Manhattan Beach | Daily |
| SMB 5-3 [#] | 5 | Point Zero | Yes | Private Lab | 50 yards south of Manhattan Beach Pier | Weekly |
| SMB 5-4 [#] | 5 | Open Beach | No | LACDHS | 26 th Street extended, Hermosa Beach | Weekly |
| SMB 5-5 [#] | 5 | Open Beach | Yes | Private Lab | 50 yards south of Hermosa Beach Pier | Weekly |
| SMB 6-1 | 6 | Point Zero | Yes | LACDHS | Herondo Street extended (at Herondo drain) | Daily |
| SMB 6-2 [#] | 6 | Open Beach | No | Private Lab | 50 yards south of Redondo Beach Pier | Weekly |
| SMB 6-3 | 6 | Point Zero | Yes | Private Lab | Project of Sapphire Street drain | Weekly |
| SMB 6-4 | 6 | Open Beach | No | LACDHS | Topaz Street extended (north of groin/jetty) | Weekly |
| SMB 6-5 [#] | 6 | Point Zero | Yes | Private Lab | Avenue I, Redondo Beach | Weekly |
| SMB 6-6 [#] | 6 | Open Beach | No | Private Lab | Malaga Cove | Weekly |

[#] Monitoring locations subject to anti-degradation implementation provision in the TMDL.

A.2.3 Machado Lake Nutrients and Toxics TMDL Monitoring

The Machado Lake Nutrients and Toxics TMDLs named the Cities of Redondo Beach and Torrance, and LACFCD, within Beach Cities WMG, as responsible parties. These three agencies conducted the Machado Lake Nutrient TMDL Special Study and developed a combined monitoring and reporting plan for the two TMDLs. Nine water quality sampling stations (Tor-S1 through Tor-S9), shown in **Figure A-1**, are sampled for nutrient and toxic analytes monthly and during qualifying wet-weather events. During these visits flow sensor data at each site is downloaded and the sensors serviced. **Appendix B** contains the monitoring plan and special study that have been submitted to the Regional Board for approval.

A.2.5 Bight Regional Monitoring

Regional monitoring, of the California Bight occurred in 1994, 1998, 2003, 2008, and 2013, with the objectives of the 2013 Bight Program (SCCWRP, 2013) being to answer the following questions:

1. What is the extent and magnitude of direct impact from sediment contaminants?
2. What is the trend in extent and magnitude of direct impacts from sediment contaminants?
3. What is the indirect risk of sediment contaminants to seabirds?

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Sampling occurred at the sites shown in **Figure A-2** and included analyses for metals, PCBs, PAHs, polybrominated diphenyl ethers (PBDEs), chlorinated hydrocarbons, total organic carbon (TOC), nitrogen, phosphorus, and sediment grain size.

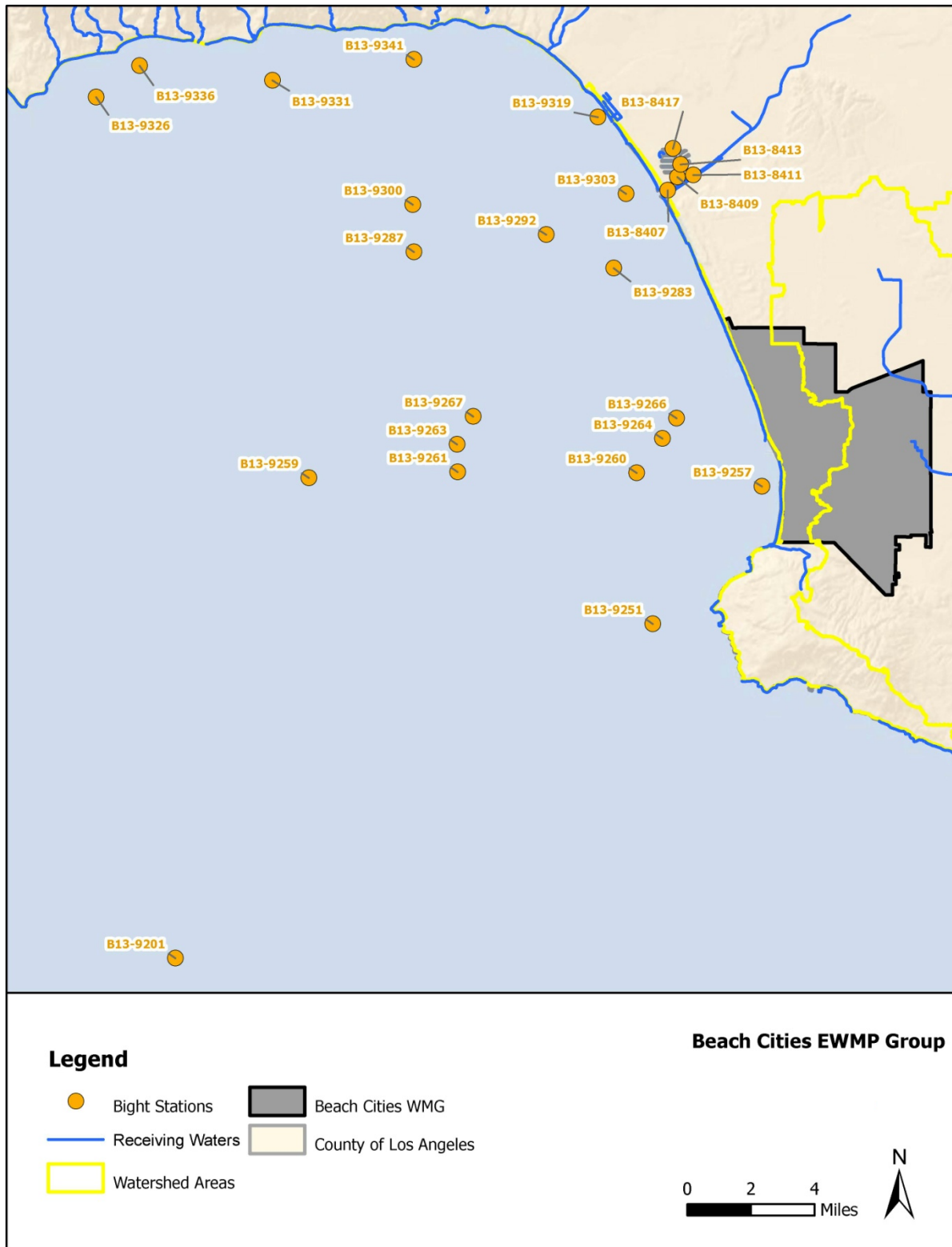


Figure A-2 2013 Bight Regional Monitoring Sites in the Santa Monica Bay

Appendix B
City of Torrance Machado Lake
Monitoring and Reporting Plans

Beach Cities CIMP Appendix B
Machado Lake Monitoring and Reporting Plans and
Special Studies

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Machado Lake Nutrient and Toxics

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**RE: Monitoring and Reporting Plan
Machado Lake Nutrient and Toxics Total Maximum Daily Load (TMDL)**

Dear Mr. Dettle:

Enclosed is a compact disk (CD) containing the Monitoring and Reporting Plan and Health and Safety Plan updated to include stormwater sampling activities as described in the Machado Lake Nutrient Total Maximum Daily Load Special Study Workplan (Nutrient-SSWP), and the Machado Lake Pesticides and polychlorinated bi-phenyls (PCBs) Total Daily Load Special Study Work Plan (Toxics-SSWP).

If you have any questions regarding these plans, please call me at (949) 230-0643, or Derrick Willis at (949) 375-7004.

Respectfully yours,
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1.0 INTRODUCTION

Northgate Environmental Management, Inc. (Northgate) has prepared this Monitoring and Reporting Program (MRP) for the City of Torrance (the City) to comply with provisions of both the Machado Lake Nutrient Total Maximum Daily Load (Nutrient TMDL), and the Machado Lake Pesticides and polychlorinated biphenyls(PCBs) Total Maximum Daily Load (Toxics TMDL).

The mass-based waste load allocation (WLA) compliance alternative for the Nutrient TMDL is currently addressed in the ongoing work performed as part of the Special Study Work Plan (SSWP) for the Pre-Best Management Practices Implementation Study Period (Carollo, 2011a). The Toxics TMDL will be addressed in work performed under this MRP.

The MRP outlines the specific activities to be performed and the procedures to be used for performing the Nutrient and Toxics TMDL sampling. The MRP documents sample collection methods, analytical procedures, data analysis, and data reporting. Appendix A of the MRP contains a site-specific Health and Safety Plan (HASP) that includes confined space entry procedures and protocols for working inside the belowground portions of manholes.

1.1 Background

Machado Lake is located in the City of Los Angeles' Ken Malloy Harbor Regional Park. It is approximately 40 acres in size, and averages approximately 3 feet in depth. Machado Lake is listed on the 1998, 2002, and 2006 Clean Water Act Section 303(d) lists of impaired water bodies due to eutrophic conditions, algae and odors (Nutrients): and chlordane, dichlorodiphenyltrichloroethane (DDT), dieldrin, Chem A, and PCBs in tissue; and impaired sediment due to chlordane, DDT, and PCBs (Toxics). The listed impairments are caused by the overloading of nutrients, such as nitrogen and phosphorus, resulting in excessive algal growth which leads to increased turbidity, decreased levels of oxygen, and odor problems.

The City is situated in the western portion of the Machado Lake subwatershed, which is bounded to the north by the City, to the east by the City of Los Angeles, and to the south and west, by the Pacific Ocean. The City is located about 15 miles south of Downtown Los Angeles, in southern Los Angeles County, just north of the Palos Verdes Hills. The City was incorporated on May 12, 1921, and is just over 20.5 square miles in area. The City is bounded by Redondo Beach on the west and north, Lawndale and Gardena on the north, Los Angeles on the east, Lomita to the



southeast, and Rolling Hills Estates and Palos Verdes Estates on the south. The City is also bounded by approximately 4,000 feet of Santa Monica Bay coastline.

The City’s stormwater conveyance systems are interconnected with neighboring city systems. Neighboring cities located at generally higher elevation such as Rolling Hills Estates and Palos Verde Estates discharge stormwater into stormwater conveyance systems located within the City’s boundaries. Figure 1 shows a regional site location map of the City.

The Regional Water Quality Control Board – Los Angeles Region (RWQCB) established TMDLs for Machado Lake for algae, ammonia and odors (Nutrients) on May 1, 2008 (RWQCB, 2008), and for Pesticides and PCBs (Toxics) on September 2, 2010 (RWQCB, 2010).

1.1.1 Nutrient TMDL

The City has elected to establish annual mass-based WLAs for Nutrientsequivalent to monthly average concentrations of 0.1 milligrams per liter (mg/l)total phosphorus and 1.0 mg/l total nitrogen based on approved flow conditions. When the concentration-based WLAs are met under the approved flow condition of 8.45cubic hectometers per year, the annual mass of the total phosphorus discharged to Machado Lake will be 845 kilograms (kg) and the annual mass of total nitrogen discharged to the lake will be 8,450 kg. The City mass-based WLAs will be proportional to the City owned area in the sub-watershed. The City area accounts for 35.6 percent of the Machado Lake Watershed. Table 1 lists the interim and final WLAs based on this area.

| Table 1: Nutrient TMDL Mass-Based Waste Load Allocations | | | |
|---|--|------------------------------|----------------------------|
| Responsible Party | Years after TMDL Effective Date | Total Phosphorus (kg) | Total Nitrogen (kg) |
| City of Torrance | 5 | 3,760 | 7,370 |
| | 9.5 (final WLAs) | 301 | 3,008 |

NOTES:
mg/l = milligrams per liter

1.1.2 Toxics TMDL

The Toxics TMDL assigned WLAs for municipal separate storm sewer systems (MS4) permittees as concentration-based allocations (equal to the sediment numeric targets) for suspended sediment-associated contaminants as shown in Table 2.



| Table 2: Toxics TMDL Concentration Based Waste Load Allocations | | |
|--|---------------------|--|
| Responsible Party | Pollutant | WLA for Suspended Sediment Associated Contaminants (ug/kg dry weight) |
| City of Torrance | Total PCBs | 59.8 |
| | DDT (all congeners) | 4.16 |
| | DDE (all congeners) | 3.16 |
| | DDD (all congeners) | 4.88 |
| | Total DDT | 5.28 |
| | Chlordane | 3.24 |
| | Dieldrin | 1.9 |

Notes:

ug/kg = micrograms per kilogram
 DDT = dichlorodiphenyltrichloroethane
 DDE = Dichlorodiphenyldichloroethylene
 DDD = Dichlorodiphenyldichloroethane

1.2 Summary of Proposed Activities

Ongoing Nutrient TMDL monitoring will be combined with Toxics TMDL monitoring after approval of the workplan by the RWQCB in the fall of 2012. The following sections describe in detail the proposed activities to accomplish TMDL monitoring.

1.2.1 Nutrient TMDL Monitoring Summary

Northgate will perform monthly visits to nine (9) monitoring sites during dry weather conditions and three (3) additional monitoring visits during wet weather conditions to collect water samples, download flow sensor data, and service the sensors. Northgate will also perform up to seven (7) additional visits to station Tor-S3 when Los Angeles County pumps stormwater from the Walteria Lake into the 54-inch storm drain and collect a water sample (maximum of 10 storm event/pumping event visits per year). Based on the requirements of the Special Study Workplan (Carollo, 2011a), routine dry weather sampling will be conducted at all nine stations until a full year of data is obtained after the February, 2013 dry weather sampling event. At the end of this period the City will review the monitoring results to determine if the sampling frequency and locations should be modified. For the remainder of the Special Study period, flow measurements and water samples (when available) will continue to be collected at all nine



monitoring stations. Details of the monitoring locations, frequency of sampling, and sampling parameters are included in Sections 3.0 to 5.0 of the MRP.

1.2.2 Toxics TMDL Monitoring Summary

The Toxics TMDL monitoring will consist of two phases of wet weather sampling designed to collect suspended solids for the analysis of pollutants in bulk sediments. Phase I monitoring will be conducted for a two (2) year period, and Phase II monitoring will commence once Phase I monitoring has been completed. In Phase I monitoring, samples will be collected during three (3) qualifying wet weather events at all stations for the first year, including the first significant storm event of the season. In the second year of Phase I activity samples will still be collected at stations representing discharge from the City during three qualifying wet weather events (Tor-S1, Tor-S2, Tor-S4, and Tor-S5), but the remaining stations will only be sampled during one qualifying wet weather event. During Phase II monitoring the number of sampling events will be decreased to one per year, and the frequency decreased to every other year, and all nine sampling stations will be visited.

At the end of the fourth year of wet weather monitoring, the City will assess the data to determine if the monitoring schedule should be altered. Details of the monitoring locations, frequency of sampling, and sampling parameters are included in Sections 3.0 to 5.0 of the MRP.

1.3 Work Plan Organization

Section 2.0 presents the MRP objectives. Section 3.0 summarizes the field methods and materials to be used in performing the scope of work. Section 4.0 summarizes the sampling locations, and Section 5.0 presents the sampling schedule and frequency. Section 6.0 presents the quality assurance/quality control (QA/QC) procedures to be used in the performance of this work.



2.0

PROJECT OBJECTIVES

The objective of this project is to ensure that the City is in compliance with the requirements of the Machado Lake Nutrient and Toxics TMDLs. The specific objectives of the work to be performed under this MRP are:

- Monitor attainment of WLAs as required by the TMDLs;
- Guide the design of future implementation actions;
- Monitor the effectiveness of implementation actions in improving water quality; and
- Guide pollutant source investigations.

Knowledge gained through the Special Studies (Carollo, 2011a and 2011b) will be used to modify the monitoring approach, number and location of monitoring sites, and sample collection techniques to adequately characterize and document the City's pollutant loads, progress toward pollutant load reductions, and improvement in water and sediment quality.



3.0

SAMPLING PROCEDURES

This section documents the procedural and analytical requirements for sampling events performed to collect water quality data as part of the MRP. All work conducted as part of the project is to be in accordance with provisions of the HASP, attached as Appendix A.

3.1 Sampling Methodology

Sampling will be conducted by a team of at least two workers using a combination of non-dedicated and dedicated sampling equipment. All sampling will be conducted in a manner that minimizes the possibility of sample contamination. Sampling equipment will be decontaminated prior to use. Grab samples will be collected in laboratory-supplied pre-preserved containers. Other types of discrete samples will also be collected and described separately.

After collection, the sample containers will be labeled, sealed in plastic bags, and placed in a cooler with ice for transportation under proper chain-of-custody protocol to the analytical laboratory. QA/QC samples will be collected and analyzed for each sampling event. Field personnel shall adhere to established sample collection protocols to ensure the collection of representative and uncontaminated samples for laboratory analysis. Deviations from the standard protocol must be recorded on the *Water Sample Data Sheet* at the time of sampling. The following sections describe the specific protocols for stormwater sample collection and handling.

3.1.1 Nutrient TMDL Dry Weather Sampling

3.1.1.1 Sampling Equipment

Sampling equipment shall typically consist of reusable polyethylene dippers or polyethylene buckets suspended on a disposable rope. Non-dedicated sampling equipment shall be decontaminated prior to each use according to the methods listed in *Section 3.3 Decontamination Procedures*. Non-dedicated sampling equipment will be stored and transported in resealable plastic bags to prevent contamination.

3.1.1.2 Sampling Procedures

A checklist is to be used by the field team at each monitoring site to ensure that the team members comply with all appropriate health and safety protocols during the sampling task. A *Water Sample Data Sheet* will also be used to document the sample collection, flow



measurement, and water conditions. The checklist for site visits and *Water Sample Data Sheets* are attached in Appendix B.

Upon arrival at a monitoring site, the sampling team will inspect the location for general safety and deploy traffic cones to delineate the working zone around the vehicle, and alert drivers of the potential hazard. Prior to water sample collection, specific observations concerning the weather, water conditions, and flow conditions will be recorded on the *Water Sample Data Sheet*. Care must be taken to avoid disturbing the channel sediment or debris on the walls of the manhole access port prior to sample collection.

Grab samples will be collected from approximately mid-channel and at a depth where the flow is greatest (typically 60% of total depth). If the monitoring site lacks sufficient flow no sample will be collected and observations of the flow width and velocity (if measurable) will be recorded on the Water Sample Data Sheet. Pools of water with no visible flow should not be sampled as data collected at those locations may not represent surface flows. Care should be exercised to not capture algae, sediment, or other particulates from the bottom or sides of the channel to avoid bias in the collected sample.

A grab sample of the water will be collected by dipping the sampler into the water and emptying it three times to acclimate, then dipping a sample and pouring directly into the sample container containing preservative acid. The sampler will be held facing upstream during sample collection, and retrieved quickly to avoid mixing of the water. Care must be taken not to touch the sampler, or allow the sampler to touch vegetation, the rim or sides of the manhole, or other objects that would contaminate it as the sample is retrieved.

After filling and capping the sample bottles, the bottles will be labeled and placed in resealable plastic bags. The bags will be placed upright in a cooler and the samples surrounded with bagged ice so that the ice is around, beside, and above the samples. The samples will then be entered on the chain-of-custody record and the sample cooler secured from unauthorized access.

Following sample collection, flow measurements stored in the dedicated flow sensors will be downloaded and the sensor data reset. At some locations, direct flow measurements will be performed with field-portable equipment and the results compared to the flow sensor data. Section 3.2 describes methods and procedures for performing flow measurements in subsurface storm drains and open channels.



3.1.2 Nutrient TMDL Wet Weather Sampling

Nutrient TMDL wet weather sampling is very similar to dry weather sampling, using the same equipment and sampling handling protocols. The only significant difference between wet and dry weather Nutrient TMDL sampling is the qualification procedure for validating a wet weather event that must be used prior to performing wet weather sampling (see Section 5.1.2 for a description of the procedure used to qualify a wet weather sampling event).

3.1.3 Toxics TMDL Wet Weather Sampling

Toxics TMDL sampling involves both water sample and suspended sediment sample collection during qualifying wet weather events. An attempt will be made to collect flow-weighted composite samples during each storm event, but due to the uncertainty associated with storm event durations that may not always be possible. When that is not possible the sampling period will be concluded when enough sample has been collected to supply water and sediment for the required analyses. In some cases where the storm event and resulting discharge ceases rapidly, the falling limb of the storm hydrograph may not be sampled in its entirety.

Water samples will be collected as grab samples, using the procedures described above for wet and dry weather Nutrient TMDL sampling. Samples will be retrieved as grab samples using a polyethylene dipper, bucket, or disposable Teflon bailer; and then transferred to the sample containers. Sufficient volumes of water will be collected to allow for separation of the suspended solids and analysis of toxics in the bulk sediment. The volume of sample to be retrieved in order to obtain at least 10 grams of sediment may require the use of larger capacity sampling equipment to recover sufficient volumes of sample. General water chemistry parameters including temperature, dissolved oxygen, pH, and electrical conductivity will be determined in the field at the time of water sample collection.

A minimum of six unfiltered water samples in 1-liter amber bottles will be collected during the rising and falling limbs of a storm event, then combined in 6:1 ratio to form a composite sample for subsequent analysis. Suspended solids will be extracted from the composite sample for analysis. Because of the highly variable amount of total suspended solids present in natural waters, efforts will be made in the field to qualify the sample as containing enough suspended solids to provide the necessary sediment for analysis. A total of 10 grams of sediment is required when all grab samples are combined, so each sample bottle must be screened for the presence of



sediment, and evaluated to determine the amount of unfiltered water sample that will be collected to produce a total of 10 grams of sediment.

Following collection, each unfiltered sample will be allowed to settle in the cooler for a period of at least fifteen minutes. After that time the amount of sediment collected on the bottom of the container will be evaluated, and additional samples collected (if required) to capture enough suspended solids for analysis.

An attempt will be made to collect grab samples at all locations within the first 1 to 2 hours of stormwater discharge (first flush) wherever practical. As the storm event continues, the sampling team will return to all the sampling stations in rotation, and continue collection of grab samples. When the storm event declines or precipitation ceases, an attempt will be made to collect additional grab samples at all stations representing the falling limb of the hydrograph, but this may not be possible in all cases.

Grab samples will be transported under chain of custody protocol to the analytical laboratory where they will be combined into one aliquot and filtered prior to analysis. Analytical methods and target reporting limits are discussed in Section 3.8.

3.2 Flow Measurement

Continuous flow data will be recorded at all nine stations using dedicated flow sensors. Instantaneous flow measurements using an alternate measurement technique will also be obtained wherever possible during wet weather events, and when practical during dry weather events.

Instantaneous flow measurements will consist of a minimum of three velocity measurements will be made immediately following sample collection. The flow measurements will be made using a digital water velocity meter (Global Water FP111 or equivalent), or area-velocity meter calibrated for the particular conveyance structure to be monitored (Global Water FC220 or equivalent), or both. The flow (Q) will be calculated using the average velocity (V) multiplied by the cross-sectional area (A) using the formula $A \times V = Q$.

The cross-sectional area of each structure will be obtained from construction drawings, and verified by measurements collected within the conveyance during the site visit.



3.2.1 Flow Measurement Methods

Flow measurements will be collected at a fixed location in culverts or pipes. The measurement stations and channel profiles will be established during the initial site visit, when detailed measurements of the conveyance geometry will be collected. All subsequent measurements will be performed at the same locations to ensure uniformity and repeatability within the collected data.

3.2.1.1 Flow Measurement in Subsurface Storm Drains

For conduits or pipes, the flow velocity probe will be moved smoothly and uniformly throughout the flow profile. When a steady average reading is obtained, the average velocity for the flow stream and depth of water will be recorded on the Water Sample Data Sheet (see Appendix B). Three readings will be collected at each station, and the results of the readings averaged to obtain the calculated flow for the station.

3.2.1.2 Flow Measurement in Open Channels

To determine flow velocity in a stream, the flow velocity probe will be held at fixed measurement stations along a traverse of the channel and the velocity will be measured at 2/3 channel depth. Flow velocity and water depth will be recorded for each station along the traverse on the Discharge Measurement Note (see Appendix B), and the flow value for each segment of the profile will be measured to determine total flow through the channel profile. The value of flow within the channel will be obtained by calculating the average velocity for each subsection of the channel, then combining the results to obtain the total flow within the channel.

3.2.1.3 Flow Measurement – Sheet Flow Conditions

If the depth of flow does not allow measurement with the flow velocity probe (<0.1 foot), a “float” will be used to measure the velocity of flowing water. The width, depth, velocity, cross section and flow rate will be estimated based on the channel geometry, water depth, and amount of time it took a float to travel a marked distance three times. The estimated flow rate (Q) can then be calculated as follows:



$$Q = f \times (\text{cross section}) \times (\text{average surface velocity})$$

Where:

Q = the flow rate in feet per second

f = dimensionless number

Cross section is the measured value in feet, and average velocity is the measured value in feet per second.

The coefficient f is used to account for friction effects on the channel bottom. The float travels on the water surface, but the average velocity (not the surface velocity) determines the flow rate so f converts the surface velocity to the average velocity. Typical f values range from 0.60 to 0.90 based on the roughness of the surface, in this project a value of 0.75 will be used.

3.3 Decontamination Procedures

Non-dedicated sampling equipment will be decontaminated immediately prior to and after each use. Decontamination will be performed using a three-stage process with phosphate-free detergent wash, tap water rinse, and final deionized/distilled water rinse.

Decontamination will be performed in a designated area, using a plastic sheet as a liner to protect the ground against spilled solutions. The decontamination procedure is as follows:

- 1) Wash with non-phosphate detergent (e.g. Alconox ®) using bristles brush if necessary;
- 2) Rinse with tap water; and
- 3) Rinse with de-ionized/distilled water.

Following decontamination, if the item is not to be used immediately; it will be wrapped in plastic or stored on plastic sheeting to prevent contamination. Used decontamination solutions will be containerized for appropriate disposal off-site in a municipal sanitary sewer.

3.4 Sample Containers and Preservation

The following sections detail sample containers and preservation methods for water and sediment samples collected as part of Nutrient and Toxics TMDL monitoring.



3.4.1 Nutrient TMDL Sample Containers and Preservation

The analytical laboratory will provide sample containers for all water samples collected by the field team. Samples collected for nitrate-nitrite will use one 500 milliliter (ml) polyethylene bottle. Samples collected for total phosphorus and total Kjeldahl nitrogen will each use one 500 ml polyethylene bottle, containing a small amount of concentrated H₂SO₄ (Sulfuric Acid), used as a sample preservative. Table 3 provides a summary of the sample container and preservative use used for each analytical method.

The sample containers must be stored properly to prevent accidental release of the acid during transport and handling. The field team will keep the sample bottles stored inside plastic bags that are kept within a bulk bottle cooler to ensure they are clean and do not become contaminated during transport. Sample bottles will only be handled by gloved hands, and the lids will be secured at all times except when filling the bottle.

At each sampling location the field team will place the required number of sample containers into a resealable plastic bag prior to collection of a water sample, then close and seal the bulk bottle container. Sample containers shall be filled but not overflow. If a container is overflowed during filling, the container will be sealed, marked, and placed aside as an unused sample. In that case an additional container will be filled and used as the primary sample.

It should be noted that unused samples contain preservative acids and must be disposed of properly. Unused samples will be transported to the analytical laboratory for proper disposal and will not be listed on the chain-of-custody.



| Table 3: Analytical Methods, Bottle Types, Preservatives and Holding Times | | | | |
|---|---------------|------------------------|--------------------------------------|---------------------|
| Analyte | Method | Bottle/Volume | Preservative | Holding Time |
| Total Phosphorous | EPA 365.3 | 500 ml Polyethylene | <4°C, H ₂ SO ₄ | 28 days |
| TKN | EPA 351.2 | 500 ml Polyethylene | <4°C, H ₂ SO ₄ | 28 days |
| Nitrate/Nitrite | EPA 300.0 | 500 ml Polyethylene | <4°C | 48 hours |
| Total Organic Carbon | EPA 415.3 | 40 ml VOA | <4°C | 28 days |
| Total Suspended Solids | EPA 160.2 | 500 ml Polyethylene | <4°C | 7 days |
| Organochlorine Pesticides ¹ | EPA 8081A | 1 liter amber | <4°C | 7 days |
| Total PCBs ² | EPA 8082 | 1 liter amber | <4°C | 7 days |

NOTES:

1. Organochlorine Pesticides to be analyzed include chlordane-alpha, chlordane gamma, 2,4'-DDD, 2,4'-DDE, 2,4'-DDT, 4,4'-DDD, 4,4'-DDE, 4,4'-DDT, and dieldrin.
 2. PCBs in water and sediment are measured as sum of seven Aroclors identified in the CTR (1016, 1221, 1232, 1242, 1248, 1254, and 1260). Congeners will also be analyzed to provide a better estimate of PCB concentrations and loads for PCBs.
- VOA – volatile organic analysis

3.4.2 Toxics TMDL Sample Containers and Preservation

The analytical laboratory will provide sample containers for all water and sediment samples collected by the field team. Water samples collected for TOC will use three 40 ml VOA vials. Water samples for TSS analysis will use one 500 ml polyethylene bottle. Water samples collected for sediment analysis of OCPs and PCBs will be collected in 1-liter glass amber bottles. Table 3 provides a summary of the sample container and preservative use used for each analytical method.

3.5 Sample Handling, Packaging, and Shipping

The handling and transportation of samples must be accomplished in a manner that protects the integrity of the samples and complies with the provisions of the MRP. As few people as possible will handle the samples. The field team will have custody of the samples during the monitoring event, and chain-of-custody (COC) forms will accompany all samples during shipment or delivery to the analytical laboratory.



The field team shall package samples carefully to avoid breakage or contamination, maintain samples at the proper temperature (4°C), and ship samples daily to the analytical laboratory under chain-of-custody protocol. The following sample packaging requirements shall be followed:

- 1) Sample bottle lids must not be mixed, all sample lids must stay with the original containers;
- 2) Sample bottles will be placed in a resealable plastic bag to minimize leakage in case a bottle breaks during shipment;
- 3) The samples will be cooled by placing ice in sealed plastic bags and placing the sealed ice-filled bags around, between, and above the sample containers;
- 4) Any remaining space in the sample shipping container shall be filled with clean, inert packing material such as bubble-wrap;
- 5) The chain-of-custody document must be sealed in a resealable plastic bag and placed in the shipping container. The resealable plastic bag will be taped to the inside lid of the sample cooler, and sealed with shipping tape;
- 6) Clear strapping tape will be wrapped around the cooler in at least two locations, sealing the container to prevent the contents from spilling; and
- 7) Custody seals will be affixed over the shipping tape in at least two locations (normally the front and right side of the cooler); in a manner that access to the container can only be gained by breaking a seal. A layer of clear strapping tape will be placed over the seals to ensure that they are not broken accidentally during shipping. Custody seals shall be constructed with security slots designed to break if the seals are disturbed.

3.6 Sample Naming Convention

Each sample will be labeled with a unique name that contains the sample station, the date of collection, and a suffix indicating the order of sample collection. Each sample will have the name of the monitoring site written first, followed by the date in mmddyyyy format, and a number denoting the sample order (X). For example, the first sample collected at station Tor-S2 on November 24, 2012 would be labeled **Tor-S2-11242012-1**. Table 4 lists the sample naming protocol for each sampling station.



| Table 4: Sample Naming Convention | | |
|--|--|--------------------|
| Sampling Station | Station Location | Sample Name |
| Tor-S1 | 40' north and 80' east of intersection of Plaza Del Amo and Western Ave. | Tor-S1-mmddyyyy-X |
| Tor-S2 | 50' west of intersection of 246th Place and Pennsylvania Ave. | Tor-S2-mmddyyyy-X |
| Tor-S3 | Effluent of WALTERIA Lake, approx. 100' east of intersection of Madison St. and Skypark Drive. | Tor-S3-mmddyyyy-X |
| Tor-S4 | 210' north and 85' east of intersection of 236th St. and Western Ave. | Tor-S4-mmddyyyy-X |
| Tor-S5 | 25' west of intersection of Bani Avenue and 250th Street. | Tor-S5-mmddyyyy-X |
| Tor-S6 | 600' east of intersection of Estates Lane and Crenshaw Boulevard. | Tor-S6-mmddyyyy-X |
| Tor-S7 | 160' south and 280' east of intersection of Rolling Hills Road and Hawthorne Boulevard. | Tor-S7-mmddyyyy-X |
| Tor-S8 | 500' northwest of intersection Paseo de las Tortugas and Mesa Street. | Tor-S8-mmddyyyy-X |
| Tor-S9 | 830' east and 120' south of intersection of Paseo de las Tortugas and Vista Montana. | Tor-S9-mmddyyyy-X |

3.7 Chain-of-Custody Procedures

The field team shall follow proper chain-of-custody protocol with collected samples at all times. Samples will be considered to be in custody if they are (1) in the custodian's possession or view, (2) retained in a secure place (under lock) with restricted access, or (3) placed in a container and secured with an official seal such that the sample could not be reached without breaking the seal.

The field team shall complete chain-of-custody records for all collected samples on triplicate forms supplied by the analytical laboratory. The chain-of-custody will be utilized by the field team for all samples throughout the collection, transport, and analytical process to ensure compliance with the SSWP. Each field team member handling the samples will sign the chain-of-custody.

3.8 Analytical Methods and Limits

Stormwater samples will be collected and analyzed for multiple constituents to support development of methods for reducing contaminant loading in City stormwater and to evaluate



the effectiveness of BMPs as they are implemented. The following sections describe the constituents for which samples will be analyzed, the analytical methods, method detection limits and reporting limits for each constituent.

3.8.1 Nutrient TMDL Monitoring

Nutrient TMDL samples will be analyzed for ammonia-ammonium, nitrate-nitrite, total Kjeldahl nitrogen (TKN), total phosphorus, phosphate, and total suspended solids. Table 5 specifies the analytical methods, reporting units, target reporting limits, and method detection limits for use in Nutrient TMDL monitoring.

| Table 5: Nutrient TMDL Monitoring Analytical Methods and Limits | | | | |
|--|----------------------|------------------------|--------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| Parameter | Method Number | Reporting Units | Target Reporting Limits | Method Detection Limits |
| Ammonia-Ammonium (NH ₃ ⁺) | SM 4500D | mg/l | 0.6 | 0.12 |
| Nitrate (NO ₃) | EPA 300.0 | mg/l | 0.1 | 0.03 |
| Nitrite (NO ₂) | EPA 300.0 | mg/l | 0.1 | 0.03 |
| Total Kjeldahl Nitrogen (TKN) | EPA 351.2 | mg/l | 0.1 | 0.07 |
| Total Phosphorus (TP) | EPA 365.3 | mg/l | 0.05 | 0.01 |
| Phosphate(PO ₄) | EPA 365.3 | mg/l | 0.16 | 0.13 |
| Total Suspended Solids (TSS) | EPA 160.2 | mg/l | 1.0 | 0.5 |

NOTES:

mg/l = milligrams per liter

3.8.2 Toxics TMDL Monitoring

Toxics TMDL samples will be analyzed for TSS, organochlorine Pesticides, PCBs, and total organic carbon (TOC). Table 6 specifies the analytical methods, reporting units, target reporting limits, and method detection limits for use in Toxics TMDL monitoring.

| Table 6: Toxics TMDL Monitoring Analytical Methods and Limits | | | | |
|--|------------------|----------------------|-------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| Sample Medium | Parameter | Method Number | Method Detection Limit | Target Reporting Limit |



| | | | | |
|----------|--|-----------|------------------|----------------------|
| Water | Total Suspended Solids | EPA 160.2 | 0.5 mg/L | 1.0 mg/L |
| Sediment | Total Organic Carbon (TOC) | EPA 415.1 | 0.05% dry weight | 0.05%-66% dry weight |
| | Organochlorine Pesticides ¹ | EPA 8081 | 0.1-1 ng/dry g | 0.5-5 ng/dry g |
| | Total PCBs ² | EPA 8082 | 10 ng/dry g | 20 ng/dry g |

NOTES:

Mg/l = milligrams per liter

ng/dry g = nano grams dry weight per gram

1. Organochlorine Pesticides to be analyzed include chlordane-alpha, chlordane gamma, 2,4'-DDD, 2,4'-DDE, 2,4'-DDT, 4,4'-DDD, 4,4'-DDE, 4,4'-DDT, and dieldrin.

2. PCBs in water and sediment are measured as sum of seven Aroclors identified in the CTR (1016, 1221, 1232, 1242, 1248, 1254, and 1260). Congeners will also be analyzed to provide a better estimate of PCB concentrations and loads for PCBs. Method Detection Limit/Reporting Limit for individual congeners are 1 ng/dry g and 5 ng/dry g.

3.8.3 Field Measurements

Sample collection for Toxics TMDL monitoring will also be analyzed for the following field parameters: temperature, dissolved oxygen, turbidity, and conductivity. Table 7 specifies the field methods, range of expected values, reporting units, and target reporting limits for use in conducting field measurements.

| Parameter | Range | Project RL |
|----------------------------|--------------------------------|--------------|
| Velocity/Flow ¹ | -0.5 to +20 ft ³ /s | |
| pH | 0 – 14 pH units | NA |
| Temperature | -5 – 50 °C | NA |
| Dissolved oxygen | 0 – 50 mg/L | 0.5 mg/L |
| Turbidity | 0 – 3000 NTU | 0.2 NTU |
| Conductivity | 0 – 10000 µmhos/cm | 2.5 µmhos/cm |

NOTES:

RL - Reporting Limit

Ft³/s = cubic feet per second

NA- Not applicable

°C = degrees Celsius

NTU = nephelometric turbidity units

µmhos/cm = micro ohms per centimeter

- For velocity/flow, range refers to velocities measured by a handheld flow meter. The lower limit for measuring flow is dependent upon the size of the specific pipe or channel.



3.9 No Sample Taken Procedures

If a sample is not able to be collected due to lack of flow or site accessibility issues, the field team shall fill out a *Water Sample Data Sheet* to explain why no sample was taken. Sampling will not be attempted in low-flow conditions to avoid sample bias or contamination. If a sample is not able to be collected, this information shall be reported immediately to the Project Manager who will direct the sampling team to the appropriate course of action as specified in the SSWP.



4.0

MONITORING SITES

Nine(9) water quality sampling stations (Tor-S1 through Tor-S9) will be visited by the monitoring crew on a monthly basis and during qualifying wet weather events (see Figure 1). One sampling station (Tor-S3) will also be visited by the crew when Los Angeles County pumps stormwater out of Walteria Lake into the 54-inch storm drain. Six (6) of the monitoring sites are owned by the County of Los Angeles (Tor-S1 through Tor-S6), stations Tor-S7, Tor-S8, and Tor-S9 are owned by the City of Torrance. Table 8 provides a summary of the monitoring sites, and Figures 2 through 10 are detailed maps of the monitoring site locations.

| Table 8: Monitoring Site Summary | | | | | |
|---|-----------------------|------------------------|---------------------------|--|---------------------------------|
| Site Name | Site Ownership | Drainage System | System Description | Site Location | GPS Coordinates |
| Tor-S1 | LA Co FCD | RDD 339 | 36" RCP | 40' north and 80' east of intersection of Plaza Del Amo and Western Ave. | 33° 49.3572' N, 118° 18.5208' E |
| Tor-S2 | LA Co FCD | Project 2 | 33" RCP | 50' west of intersection of 246th Place and Pennsylvania Ave. | 33° 48.093' N, 118° 19.5252' E |
| Tor-S3 | LA Co FCD | Project 245 | 54" | Effluent of Walteria Lake, approx. 100' east of intersection of Madison St. and Skypark Drive. | 33° 48.6312' N, 118° 20.8674' E |
| Tor-S4 | LA Co FCD | Project 8101 | 9'-2"W x 11' H RCB | 210' north and 85' east of intersection of 236th St. and Western Ave. | 33° 48.7056' N, 118° 18.5196' E |
| Tor-S5 | LA Co FCD | Project 540 | 54" | 39' east of intersection of Pennsylvania Avenue and 250th Street. | 33° 47.8956' N, 118° 19.6872' E |
| Tor-S6 | LA Co FCD | PD 1032 | 36" RCP | 600' east of intersection of Estates Lane and Crenshaw Boulevard. | 33° 47.1822' N, 118° 20.43' E |
| Tor-S7 | City of Torrance | N/A | 10' x 10' RCB | 160' south and 280' east of intersection of Rolling Hills Road and Hawthorne Boulevard. | 33° 47.6826' N, 118° 20.9232' E |
| Tor-S8 | City of Torrance | N/A | 24" RCP | 500' northwest of intersection Paseo de las Tortugas and Mesa Street. | 33° 48.0522' N, 118° 21.4254' E |



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|--------|------------------|-----|---------|--|---------------------------------|
| Tor-S9 | City of Torrance | N/A | 42" RCP | 830' east and 120' south of intersection of Paseo de las Tortugas and Vista Montana. | 33° 48.2742' N, 118° 21.7776' E |
|--------|------------------|-----|---------|--|---------------------------------|

The following sections provide a detailed description of each monitoring station.

4.1 Station Tor-S1 (RDD 339)

Sampling location Tor-S1 is within LACoFC Storm Drain RDD 399. The storm sewer conveying stormwater to this site is a 36-inch reinforced concrete pipe. It is accessed through a manhole located 40 feet north and 80 feet east of the intersection of Plaza Del Amo and Western Avenue (Thomas Guide page 763, grid J7). The total upstream drainage area served by the conveyance is approximately 63 acres. The drainage area is mainly residential and commercial land use that represents 36 percent and 33 percent, respectively, of the drainage area. This site is one of the four sites that will provide information on the amount of pollutants leaving the City limits.

The site is easily accessible and safe for conducting sampling during both dry and wet weather conditions provided traffic control procedures are followed as described in the Work Area Traffic Control Handbook (BNI Publications, Inc., 2010) or “WATCH Manual”. An Encroachment Permit from the City of Los Angeles is required to block part of the street to conduct sampling.



Figure 1 Sampling Station Tor-S1

4.2 Station Tor-S2 (Project 2)

Tor-S2 is within LACoFC Storm Drain Project 2. Stormwater is conveyed to this site through an 8' x 7' reinforced concrete box (RCB). It is accessed through a manhole located approximately



50 feet west of the intersection of 246th Place and Pennsylvania Avenue (page 793-grid G3). The total upstream drainage area is about 2,605 acres. The drainage area is a mixed land use, about 32 percent residential, 10 percent commercial and 11 percent industrial. The Torrance Airport accounts for 12 percent of the drainage area. This site is one of the four sites that will provide information to quantify the amount of pollutants leaving the City limits. Tor-S2 is easily accessible and safe for conducting sampling during both dry and wet weather conditions provided traffic control procedures are followed as described in the WATCH Manual. An Encroachment Permit from the City of Lomita is required to block part of the street to conduct sampling.



Figure 2 Sampling Station Tor-S2

4.3 Station Tor-S3 (Project 245)

Sampling station Tor-S3 is within LACoFC Storm Drain Project 245. It is accessed through a manhole located in a parking lot approximately 150 feet east of the intersection of Madison Street and Skypark Drive (page 793, grid D2). The station is located upstream of station Tor-S2, and will assist the City in characterizing discharges from WALTERIA Lake. The total upstream drainage area is approximately 2,285 acres. Land use is mixed with 37 percent residential, 10 percent commercial and 9 percent industrial. A 54-inch pipe conveys stormwater to this site. The site is easily accessible and safe for all weather sampling provided traffic control procedures are followed as described in the WATCH Manual. An Encroachment Permit from the City of Torrance is required to block part of the parking lot during sampling.





Figure 3 Sampling Station Tor-S3

4.4 Station Tor-S4 (Project 8101)

Sampling station Tor-S4 is within LACoFC Storm Drain Project 8101). It is accessed through a manhole located approximately 210 feet north and 85 feet east of the intersection of 236th Street and Western Avenue (page 793, grid J2). The total drainage area upstream of this sampling location is approximately 1,014 acres. Residential land use represents nearly 60 percent of the drainage area. Commercial and industrial land uses represent only 9 percent of the drainage area. The storm drain serving this site is a 9'-2" x 11' RCB. The site is safe for all weather sampling and it is easily accessible provided traffic control procedures are followed as described in the WATCH Manual. An Encroachment Permit from the City of Los Angeles is required to block part of the street to conduct sampling.





Figure 4 Sampling Station Tor-S4

4.5 Station Tor-S5 (Project 540)

Sampling station Tor-S5 is within LACoFC Storm Drain Project 540. It is accessed through a manhole located about 39 feet east of the intersection of Pennsylvania Avenue and 250th Street (page 793, grid G4). The site is downstream of two conveyance pipes that intersect from the south and west. This sampling site serves an upstream drainage area of approximately 661 acres. This site is mainly residential and airport land use, which represent 43 and 24 percent of the drainage area, respectively. The storm drain discharging stormwater to this site is a 54" conduit. This site is easily accessible and safe for sampling activities provided traffic control procedures are followed as described in the WATCH Manual. An Encroachment Permit from the City of Lomita is required to block part of the street during sampling.



Figure 5 Sampling Station Tor-S5



4.6 Station Tor-S6 (PD 1032)

Sampling Station Tor-S6 is within LACoFC Storm Drain PD 1032. It is accessed through a manhole located approximately 600 feet east of the intersection of Estates Lane and Crenshaw Boulevard (page 793, grid E5). This site will monitor flow entering the City's storm drain from Rolling Hills Estate. The sampling site is safe and easily accessible provided traffic control procedures are followed as described in the WATCH Manual. An Encroachment Permit from the City of Torrance is required to block part of the street during sampling.



Figure 6 Sampling Station Tor-S6

4.7 Station Tor-S7

Sampling station Tor-S7 is accessed through a manhole located about 160 feet south and 280 feet east of the intersection of Rolling Hills Road and Hawthorne Blvd (page 793, grid D4). It will monitor dry weather flow originating from Rolling Hills Estates. The site is easily accessible and safe for sampling at all weather conditions provided traffic control procedures are followed as described in the WATCH Manual. An Encroachment Permit from the City of Torrance is required to block part of the street during sampling.





Figure 7 Sampling Station Tor-S7

4.8 Station Tor-S8

Sampling station Tor-S8 is accessed through a manhole located about 500 feet northwest of the intersection of Paseo De Las Tortugas and Mesa Street (page 793, grid C4). It will monitor dry weather flow originating from Rolling Hills Estates. The site is easily accessible and safe for sampling at all weather conditions provided traffic control procedures are followed as described in the WATCH Manual. An Encroachment Permit from the City of Torrance is required to block part of the street during sampling.



Figure 8 Sampling Station Tor-S8



4.9 Station Tor-S9

Sampling station Tor-S9 is accessed through a manhole located about 830 feet east and 120 feet south of the intersection of Paseo de Las Tortugas and Vista Montana (page 793, grid B3). This site will monitor dry weather flow originating from Palos Verdes Estates. The site is accessible and safe for sampling activities provided traffic control procedures are followed as described in the WATCH Manual. An Encroachment Permit from the City of Torrance is required to block part of the street during sampling.



Figure 9 Sampling Station Tor-S9



5.0

MONITORING SCHEDULE AND FREQUENCY

The City has completed seven months of Nutrient monitoring under the Machado Lake Nutrient TMDL Special Study Workplan (Carollo, 2011a). Monitoring under that program will continue until March, 2013 when the study will be completed. At that time the monitoring program will be re-evaluated to assess compliance with the WLA criteria in the Nutrient TMDL shown in Table 1 and adjust the sampling methodology as appropriate. .

A summary of the schedule for Nutrient TMDL monitoring for the remaining Special Study period is included in Table 9. The table also shows the proposed schedule for monitoring following completion of the Special Study, but after each year the City will review the monitoring results to assess potential changes to the monitoring program.

Table 9: Monitoring Schedule and Frequency

| Sampling Station | Constituents | Phase I | | | | Phase II | | | | | |
|------------------|--------------|---------|-----|------|-----|----------|-----|------|-----|---------------------|-----|
| | | 2012 | | 2013 | | 2014 | | 2015 | | 2016 ⁽¹⁾ | |
| | | Wet | Dry | Wet | Dry | Wet | Dry | Wet | Dry | Wet | Dry |
| Tor-S1 | Nutrient | 3 | 12 | 3 | 9 | 1 | 4 | 1 | 4 | -- | -- |
| | Toxics | 3 | -- | 3 | -- | 1 | -- | -- | -- | 1 | -- |
| Tor-S2 | Nutrient | 3 | 12 | 3 | 9 | 1 | 4 | 1 | 4 | -- | -- |
| | Toxics | 3 | -- | 3 | -- | 1 | -- | -- | -- | 1 | -- |
| Tor-S3 | Nutrient | 3 | 12 | 3 | 9 | 1 | 4 | 1 | 4 | -- | -- |
| | Toxics | 3 | -- | 1 | -- | 1 | -- | -- | -- | 1 | -- |
| Tor-S4 | Nutrient | 3 | 12 | 3 | 9 | 1 | 4 | 1 | 4 | -- | -- |
| | Toxics | 3 | -- | 3 | -- | 1 | -- | -- | -- | 1 | -- |
| Tor-S5 | Nutrient | 3 | 12 | 3 | 9 | 1 | 4 | 1 | 4 | -- | -- |
| | Toxics | 3 | -- | 3 | -- | 1 | -- | -- | -- | 1 | -- |
| Tor-S6 | Nutrient | 3 | 12 | 3 | 9 | 1 | 4 | 1 | 4 | -- | -- |



| Table 9: Monitoring Schedule and Frequency | | | | | | | | | | | |
|--|--------------|---------|-----|------|-----|----------|-----|------|-----|---------------------|-----|
| Sampling Station | Constituents | Phase I | | | | Phase II | | | | | |
| | | 2012 | | 2013 | | 2014 | | 2015 | | 2016 ⁽¹⁾ | |
| | | Wet | Dry | Wet | Dry | Wet | Dry | Wet | Dry | Wet | Dry |
| | Toxics | 3 | -- | 1 | -- | 1 | -- | -- | -- | 1 | -- |
| Tor-S7 | Nutrient | 3 | 12 | 3 | 9 | 1 | 4 | 1 | 4 | -- | -- |
| | Toxics | 3 | -- | 1 | -- | 1 | -- | -- | -- | 1 | -- |
| Tor-S8 | Nutrient | 3 | 12 | 3 | 9 | 1 | 4 | 1 | 4 | -- | -- |
| | Toxics | 3 | -- | 1 | -- | 1 | -- | -- | -- | 1 | -- |
| Tor-S9 | Nutrient | 3 | 12 | 3 | 9 | 1 | 4 | 1 | 4 | -- | -- |
| | Toxics | 3 | -- | 1 | -- | 1 | -- | -- | -- | 1 | -- |

Notes:

- (1) At the end of 2015 the City will review the monitoring results to determine whether additional monitoring is required in 2016.
- No monitoring required

Toxics TMDL monitoring will be implemented in the fall of 2012 following approval by the LARWQCB of the MRP. Toxics monitoring will be performed in two phases. Phase 1 monitoring will be conducted for a two-year period and phase 2 monitoring that commences once Phase I monitoring has been completed.

Phase I Toxics TMDL sampling will be conducted during three wet weather events, including the first significant storm of the season, for two years (see Table 9). Phase I sampling will begin within 60 days of approval of the MRP and QAPP by the RWQCB. Phase 2 toxics TMDL samples will be collected during one wet weather event every other year as shown in Table 9

The following sections summarize the schedule for Nutrient and Toxics TMDL monitoring.

5.1 Nutrient TMDL Monitoring

Nutrient TMDL monitoring consists of three major elements:

- Monthly sampling during dry weather conditions at all nine sampling locations;



- Wet weather sampling at station Tor-S3 during four discrete storm events; and
- Up to six pumping event samples from station Tor-S3 when the Los Angeles County Department of Public Works (LACDPW) discharges water from Walteria Lake.

The following sections describe the schedule for Nutrient TMDL monitoring for each type of sampling event.

5.1.1 Dry Weather Sampling

Dry weather sampling will be conducted monthly at the nine (9) primary monitoring stations. The sampling will occur on a Thursday during the first full week of the month to facilitate traffic control at station Tor-S2 (parking at the station Tor-S2 is restricted on Thursday mornings). Dry weather conditions must be preceded by at least 24 hours of no greater than trace precipitation, or have an intensity of less than 0.1 inches of rain in a 24-hour period.

5.1.2 Wet Weather Sampling

Three wet weather sampling events are scheduled for the fall and winter of 2012 to complete the Special Study #3. Following acceptance by the RWQCB of the City's BMP Evaluation and Selection Study Report, the MRP will be modified to accomplish sampling specific to the needs for assessment of future compliance with the Nutrient TMDL. At that time the wet weather sampling schedule and locations will be revised, and the number of samples collected and events scheduled is predicted to increase (see Table 8).

For the 2012 fall and winter season, only station Tor-S3 will be sampled during qualifying wet weather events. Qualifying events occur during a storm with at least 0.1 inch of precipitation (defined as a "measurable" event). Wet weather sampling will not occur at a frequency greater than once every 72 hours, and sampling will not occur unless there has been at least 72 hours of continuous dry weather immediately preceding the "measurable" event. Weather forecasts for the 90503 zip code will be evaluated before deciding whether or not to sample a particular storm event.

5.1.3 Pumping Event Sampling

Whenever LACDPW pumps stormwater from Walteria Lake into the 54-inch storm drain, the City will conduct sampling at station Tor-S3. The pumping schedule will be obtained from LACDPW, and a decision regarding which events to sample will be made by the City. A maximum of seven (7) pumping events will be sampled yearly.



5.2 Toxics TMDL Monitoring

The frequency for Toxics TMDL sampling will follow the requirements of the Machado Lake Pesticides and PCBs Total Maximum Daily Load Special Study Workplan (Carollo, 2011b), and requirements set forth in the R10-008 (RWQCB, 2010). Phase I sampling will begin within 60 days of approval of the MRP and QAPP by the RWQCB. Phase I Toxics TMDL sampling will be conducted during three wet weather events, including the first significant storm of the season, for two years (see Table 8). Phase 2 toxics TMDL samples will be collected during one wet weather event every other year as shown in Table 8.



6.0

QA/QC

This section describes the QA/QC measures that will be implemented for field and laboratory activities outlined in this plan.

6.1 Field Sampling QA/QC Procedures

QA/QC samples will be collected to ensure that the project QA objectives outlined in the Special Studies Workplan are met. QA/QC samples will include field duplicates (FD), matrix spike/matrix spike duplicates (MS/MSD), equipment blanks (EB), and temperature blanks (TB). Table 10 lists the QA/QC sample types, initial frequency of collection, and ongoing frequency of collection.

| Table 10: QA/QC Sampling Summary | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| QA/QC Sample Type | Initial Sampling Frequency | Ongoing Sampling Frequency | Naming Convention |
| FD | 1 per event, rotating location | 1 per event, rotating location | Tor-S30-mmddyyy-A |
| MS/MSD | 1 every other sampling event, rotating location | 1 every other sampling event, rotating location | Primary sample ID plus suffix -MS or -MSD |
| EB | 1 per decontamination method per event | 1 per decontamination method per every 20 samples or at field staff change, decontamination method change, or sampling device change whichever is more frequent | Tor-S31-mmddyyy-A |
| TB | 1 per cooler | 1 per cooler | Temperature Blank |

The following sections describe the purpose, collection method, sample naming conventions, and frequency of collection for QA/QC samples.

6.1.1 Field Duplicates

Collection of FD samples will be at the same time and place, and in sequential order from the primary sample. It shall be collected as soon as possible after the primary sample, and will be subjected to identical handling and analysis. The FD is a blind duplicate, and shall be identified with a fictitious sample ID (i.e. "Tor-S30-mmddyyy-A"), and assigned a time one hour prior to the first sample collection event of the day. A minimum of one (1) FD shall be collected each



sampling day, and the location of the FD shall be rotated among the monitoring sites from one event to the next.

6.1.2 Matrix Spike/Matrix Spike Duplicates

Collection of MS/MSD samples is performed to allow the analytical laboratory to perform duplicate and spike analysis on the primary samples to evaluate accuracy, precision, and potential matrix interferences. MS/MSD samples consist of triple volume (3X) samples collected at the same time and place, and in sequential order from the primary sample. The MS/MSD shall be collected as soon as possible after the primary sample, and will be subjected to identical handling and analysis.

One set of sample bottles will be labeled with the standard primary sample ID. A second set of sample bottles will be labeled with the primary sample ID, followed by the suffix -MS. The third set of sample bottles will be labeled with the primary sample ID, followed by the suffix -MSD. All three sets of samples will be listed on the chain-of-custody document. The CMP does not specify a frequency for MS/MSD sample collection, but one (1) every other sampling event is proposed for the frequency of collection.

6.1.3 Equipment Blanks

Non-dedicated sampling equipment will be tested with equipment blanks (EBs) to evaluate the potential for cross-contamination associated with decontamination procedures. Prior to collecting an EB, decontaminate the sampling equipment using the procedure in *Section 4.5 Decontamination Procedures*. The EB will be collected by pouring laboratory grade reagent water into the sampling device, and then transferring it to the sample bottles. The EB is a blind sample, and shall be identified with a fictitious sample ID (i.e. "Tor-S31-mmddyyy-A). The EB shall be collected at the frequency of one (1) per sampling event for the first two (2) events; at a reduced frequency of one (1) per fifty (50) samples (2 percent) thereafter or one (1) per every change in field personnel, decontamination methodology, or change in sampling device - whichever is more frequent.

6.1.4 Temperature Blanks

Sample bottles containing tap water for use as temperature blanks (TBs) shall be provided by the analytical laboratory with each batch of sample bottles. The TBs are used to check for proper temperature of sample preservation by the receiving laboratory. The sampling team will include



one TB per sample cooler, and label the bottle "Temperature Blank". The TB will not be listed on the chain-of-custody.

6.2 Laboratory QA/QC Procedures

Samples will be submitted under chain-of-custody protocol to the analytical laboratory. The analytical laboratory will have its own internal QC program, and will follow the QC requirements for each analytical method. The laboratory shall maintain logs sufficient to track each sample submitted, and will analyze or preserve each sample within the specified holding times.

All analytical data generated by the laboratory will undergo a QC review prior to release of the reported data. Each step of this review process involves evaluation of data quality based on both the results of the QC data and the professional judgment of those performing the review. This application of technical knowledge and experience to the data evaluation is essential so that data of high quality are generated consistently.

6.2.1 Method Blank

A method blank will be analyzed with every batch of 20 or fewer samples to measure laboratory contamination. The method blank will consist of analyte-free (laboratory reagent-grade) water and will be carried through the entire preparation and analysis procedure. Acceptance criteria for method blanks must conform to reference method requirements when specified. Generally, corrective action, including data flagging, is required when method blank concentrations are greater than the reporting detection limit, and the samples must be reprocessed if sample target compound/analyte concentrations are not greater than 10 times the method blank concentrations.

6.2.2 Spikes

A laboratory control sample (LCS) will be analyzed with every batch containing 20 samples or less to measure accuracy. The LCS will consist of a method blank spiked with a known amount of analyte, and it will be carried through the entire preparation and analysis procedure. The standards source will be separate from that used to prepare calibration standards. All analytes will be used for spiking the LCS. The recoveries will be plotted on control charts, and control limits will be calculated based upon historical data. If control limits are exceeded, the analysis will be stopped and the problem corrected. Samples associated with the out-of-control LCS will be reanalyzed in another batch.



One MS will be analyzed for one out of every 20 samples to measure matrix effects on accuracy. MS samples will consist of additional aliquots of sample spiked with a known amount of analyte. All analytes will be spiked. If a valid spike recovery is outside acceptable limits, but the LCS is in control, matrix interference may be indicated.

One MSD will be analyzed for one out of every 20 samples to measure precision. For any batch of samples that does not contain a FD or MSD, two LCS samples (LCS and LCS duplicate) will be separately prepared and analyzed. If the relative percent difference does not meet the required acceptance limits, the problem will be investigated and corrected. Any affected samples will be reanalyzed in a separate batch.

6.2.3 Laboratory Sample Custody

The analytical laboratory will maintain custody procedures that conform to those required by the Contract Laboratory Program (CLP), as outlined in the CLP User's Guide (USEPA, 1991 and USEPA, 2002). The procedures include designation of a sample custodian who will accept the samples and document sample condition; complete the chain-of-custody, any required sample tags, and the laboratory request sheets. The custodian will follow laboratory sample tracking and documentation procedures, and ensure secure sample storage in the appropriate environment to maintain preservation.

The laboratory will maintain records documenting all phases of sample handling, from receipt to final report of analysis. Accountable documents include sample receipt forms, laboratory operation logbooks, chain-of-custody records, bench work sheets, and other documents related to sample preparation and analysis. The laboratory shall utilize a document numbering and identification system for all documents/logs.



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Site-Specific Health and Safety Plan



APPENDIX B

Field Forms





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SPECIAL STUDY WORK PLAN

1.0 INTRODUCTION

This Field Sampling Plan (FSP) presents the approach and procedures to implement stormwater sampling activities in 2011 for a Special Study of the City of Torrance (City) storm drains discharging stormwater into Machado Lake. The field study sampling procedures, methods, and analyses for stormwater are described in this document.

1.1 Background

The City is subject to the requirements of the Machado Lake Eutrophic, Algae, Ammonia, and Odors (Nutrient) Total Maximum Daily Load (TMDL) per the Los Angeles Regional Quality Control Board's (Regional Board's) Resolution R08-006. Under the Regional Board's resolution, the City shall submit to the Regional Board's Executive Officer a Monitoring and Reporting Plan (MRP) within 1 year of the effective date of the resolution or propose a Special Study Work Plan following the requirements of one of three optional studies. This Special Study Work Plan details the approach proposed by the City to perform Optional Study No. 3, to assess compliance with the Waste Load Allocations (WLA) on a mass basis for total nitrogen and total phosphorus originating from the City's watersheds. The Special Study Work Plan proposes a pre-Best Management Practices (BMP) Implementation Study including field sampling and data collection to be followed by submittals to the Regional Board including a BMP Evaluation and Selection Report, a MRP, and a BMP Implementation Report to be provided at a later date.

Machado Lake is identified on the 1998 and 2002 Clean Water Act 300(d) list of impaired water bodies as impaired due to eutrophic conditions, algae, ammonia, and odors. Resource agencies, local governments, project implementers, the scientific community, environmental groups, decision-makers at the city, county, state, and federal levels, and many others have continued to take meaningful steps towards the restoration of Machado Lake and its basin. Among these efforts, restoration activities are expanding through continued implementation of erosion control, stormwater management, and riparian restoration projects, development of the Machado Lake Nutrient TMDL that is providing a quantitative, science-based approach for pollutant reduction, and a strong research/monitoring effort to evaluate key ecological processes and response to water quality improvement projects.

The Machado Lake Nutrient TMDL allows for the establishment of annual mass-based WLAs for total phosphorus (TP) and total nitrogen (TN) equivalent to monthly average concentrations of 0.1 mg/L TP and 1.0 mg/L TN, based on approved flow conditions. When the concentration based WLAs are met under the approved flow condition of 8.45 hm³, the annual mass of the TP discharged to the lake will be 845 kg and the annual mass of TN discharged to the lake will be 8,450 kg. The City of Torrance mass-based WLA will be proportional to the City owned area in the sub-watershed. The City of Torrance area

accounts for 35.6% of the Machado Lake Watershed. Table 1 lists the interim and final WLAs based on this area.

| Table 1 Waste Load Allocations | | | |
|---------------------------------------|---------------------------------|---------|---------|
| Responsible Party | Years after TMDL Effective Date | TP (kg) | TN (kg) |
| City of Torrance | 5 | 3,760 | 7,370 |
| | 9.5 (final WLAs) | 301 | 3,008 |

1.2 Site Conditions and Characteristics

1.2.1 Study Site Location

The City is located about 15 miles south of Downtown Los Angeles (LA), in southern LA County, just north of the Palos Verdes Hills. The City was incorporated on May 12, 1921, and is just over 20.5 square miles in area. The City is bounded by Redondo Beach on the west and north, Lawndale and Gardena on the north, LA on the east, Lomita to the southeast, and Rolling Hills Estates and Palos Verdes Estates on the south. The City is also bounded by approximately 4,000 feet of Santa Monica Bay coastline. The City's storm conveyance systems are interconnected with neighboring city systems. Neighboring cities located at generally higher elevation such as Rolling Hills Estate and Palos Verde Estate discharge stormwater into the City's and/or LA County's storm conveyance systems located within the City's boundaries. Figure 1 shows a regional location map of the City.

1.2.2 Hydrology and Hydraulics

The Machado Lake subwatershed is located in the southwestern area of the Dominguez Watershed and includes portions of the Cities of Los Angeles, Torrance, Lomita, Rolling Hills, Rolling Hills Estates, Carson, Palos Verdes Estates, Rancho Palos Verdes, Redondo Beach, and the communities of unincorporated Los Angeles County, including Wilmington and Harbor City. However, much of the Machado Lake watershed consists of the hilly regions of Rolling Hills Estates and Rolling Hills. This portion of the watershed is unique, as it consists of relatively steep hills with drainage into the canyons. The Machado Lake Watershed covers an area of approximately 20 square miles and is itself divided into six primary subdrainage areas. These subdrainages are the Walteria Lake, Project 77/510, Wilmington Drain, Project 643 (72-inch Storm Drain), Project 643 (Figueroa Drain), and Private Drain 553.

Machado Lake, about 40 acres in area and the Machado Lake Wetlands (64 acres) are located within the Ken Malloy Harbor Regional Park in the southeastern corner of the Machado Lake Watershed. Both Machado Lake and the Machado Lake wetlands serve as flood retention basins for the Machado Lake Watershed.

1.2.2.1 Storm Drain

As the area is highly urbanized, drainage is primarily conducted through an extensive network of underground storm drain facilities. The Los Angeles County Department of Public Works maintains the system of storm drains in the City of Rolling Hills Estates. The primary use of the Dominguez Channel and all other open channels in the Dominguez Watershed (including Wilmington Drain, Machado Lake, and Madrona Marsh) is flood protection.

Machado Lake receives urban and storm water runoff from a complex network of storm drain systems. The first of three primary storm drain channels that flow into Machado Lake is the Wilmington Drain. Approximately 65 percent of the runoff from the Machado Lake Watershed flows through the Wilmington Drain into Machado Lake. The other two primary storm drain channels are the Project No. 77 Drain and the Harbor City Relief Drain. Several smaller storm drains also discharges into Machado Lake, including Project No. 643's Figueroa Street Outlet and a 72-inch storm drain outlet. Machado Lake discharges at the southern end by overflowing a concrete dam into the Machado Lake wetland. Water discharges from the wetland through the Harbor Outflow structure and into the West Basin of the Los Angeles Harbor.

The Walteria Lake, located within the City's boundaries, is owned and operated by LA County. It is approximately 1,005 acre-feet in capacity and receives raw stormwater mainly from Rolling Hills Estates and Palos Verdes Estates. Effluent from the lake is pumped at a maximum rate of 57 cubic feet per second (cfs) through a force main system into a 54-inch drain line that lies under Skypark Drive. The discharge eventually leaves the City near the intersection of Crenshaw Boulevard and Amsler Street.

Figure 2 shows the drainage basins and stormwater conveyance infrastructure in the City. The figure also shows nearby communities discharging stormwater into the City's drainage system.

1.2.3 Land Use

The City of Torrance is predominantly residential land use, with concentrations of industrial and commercial uses. This reflects the City's history as a "company town," where homes were built to house the local work force of industries. Residential development covered almost half of the City's land area. Industrial uses occupied the second largest land area, at 22 percent. Commercial and Public/Quasi-Public/Open Space uses represent the third largest land uses in the City, about 12 percent each. Torrance also had a limited supply of vacant land mostly within commercial and industrial areas. Given the built-out character of the community, only minor land use changes from baseline year 2010 conditions will occur over the long term.

Residential uses are located throughout Torrance at varying development densities. The highest residential densities occur along major streets and near major transportation corridors, in older neighborhoods, and in apartment or condominium developments and Planned Development communities around Sepulveda Boulevard and Plaza Del Amo between Hawthorne and Crenshaw Boulevards. The lowest residential densities are largely

located in the western and southern portions of the City. Figure 3 identifies the land uses in Torrance.

1.2.4 Water Quality Issues

Machado Lake, located in the Dominguez Channel watershed in southern LA County, is identified on the 1998 and 2002 Clean Water Act 303(d) list of impaired water bodies as impaired due to eutrophic conditions, algae, ammonia, and odors. The Machado Lake eutrophic, algae, and odor impairments are caused by excessive loading of nutrients, including nitrogen and phosphorus, to Machado Lake (Machado Lake Eutrophic, Algae, Ammonia, and Odors (Nutrient) TMDL, Revised Draft – April 2008). Ammonia is found to be at levels below the toxicity standards, but nevertheless, these concentrations contribute to the total nitrogen loading in the Lake. Table 2 provides a summary of the quantifiable loads entering Machado Lake on an annual basis (Machado Lake Eutrophic, Algae, Ammonia, and Odors (Nutrient) TMDL, Revised Draft – April 2008). Nutrient flux from the sediments and atmospheric nitrogen deposition are the two directly quantifiable non-point sources included as part of the total nutrient load. The total annual nitrogen and phosphorus loads are estimated to be 24,327 kg and 10,421 kg, respectively.

Machado Lake is located in the Ken Malloy Harbor Regional Park (KMHRP), which is a 231 acres LA City Park serving the Wilmington and Harbor City areas. As shown on Figure 4, the park is located west of the Harbor freeway (110) and east of Vermont Avenue between the Tosco Refinery on the south and the Pacific Coast Highway on the North. Machado Lake is one of the last lake and wetland systems in LA; the area is approximately 103.5 acres in total size. The upper portion, which includes the open water area, is approximately 40 acres and the lower wetland portion is about 63.5 acres. Machado Lake is a shallow polymictic lake; the depth is generally 0.5 to 1.5 meters; the *average* depth is approximately 1.0 meter. The lake was originally developed as part of Harbor Regional Park in 1971 and intended for boating and fishing. Over the years water quality generally declined; boating was stopped and signs were posted warning of the risk of eating fish from the lake.

| Source | Total N (kg) | Total P (kg) | Ortho-P (kg) | Inorg-N (kg) |
|--------------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|
| External Load | 7,587 | 3,260 | 737 | 3,736 |
| Sediment Flux | 16,520 | 7,161 | 4,963 | 16,520 |
| Atmospheric Deposition | 220 | | | |
| Total Annual Load | 24,327 | 10,421 | 5,700 | 20,256 |

Notes:
1. Source: Machado Lake Eutrophic, Algae, Ammonia, and Odors (Nutrient) TMDL, Revised Draft - April 2008.

The dominant land use in the Machado Lake Watershed is high-density single-family residential, accounting for approximately 45 percent of the land use. Industrial, vacant, retail/commercial, multi-family residential, transportation, and educational institutions each account for 5 to 7 percent of the land use, while "all other" accounts for the remaining 23

percent. Machado Lake is a receiving body of urban and stormwater runoff from a network of storm drains throughout the watershed. As indicated on Figure 4, there are three discharge points into Machado Lake from the following storm drain channels:

- Wilmington Drain.
- Project No. 77.
- Harbor City Relief Drain.

Approximately 88 percent of the Machado Lake Watershed drainage area flows through the Wilmington Drain into Machado Lake.

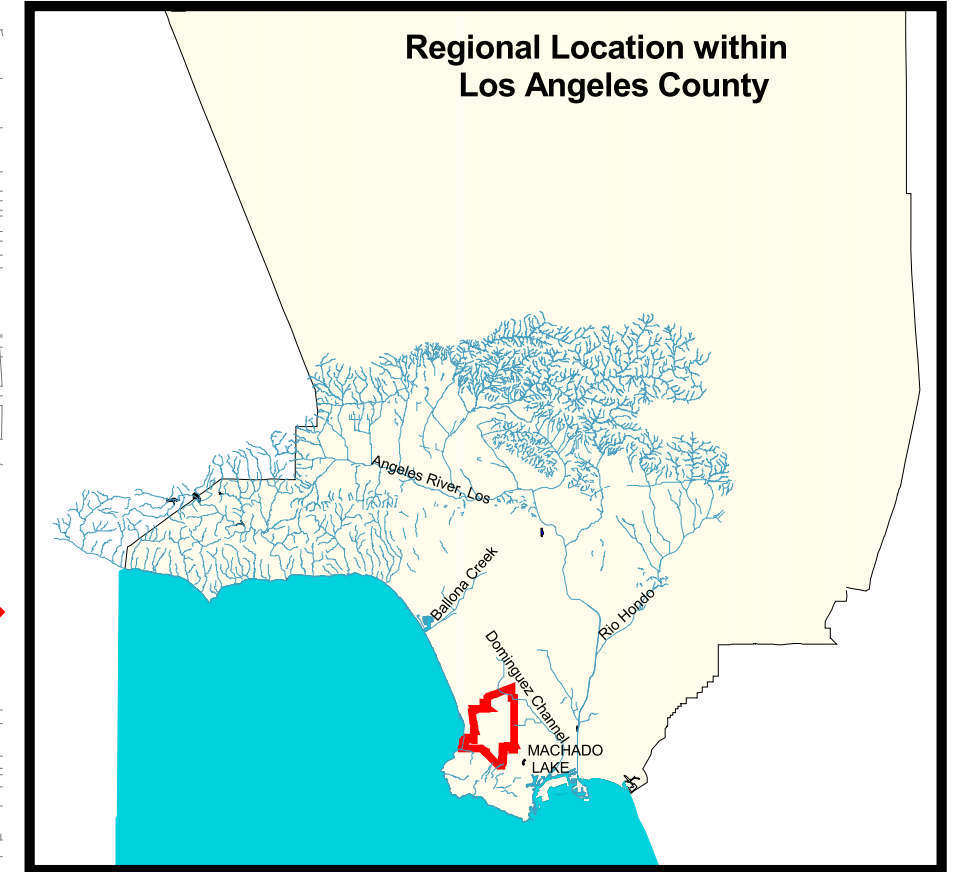
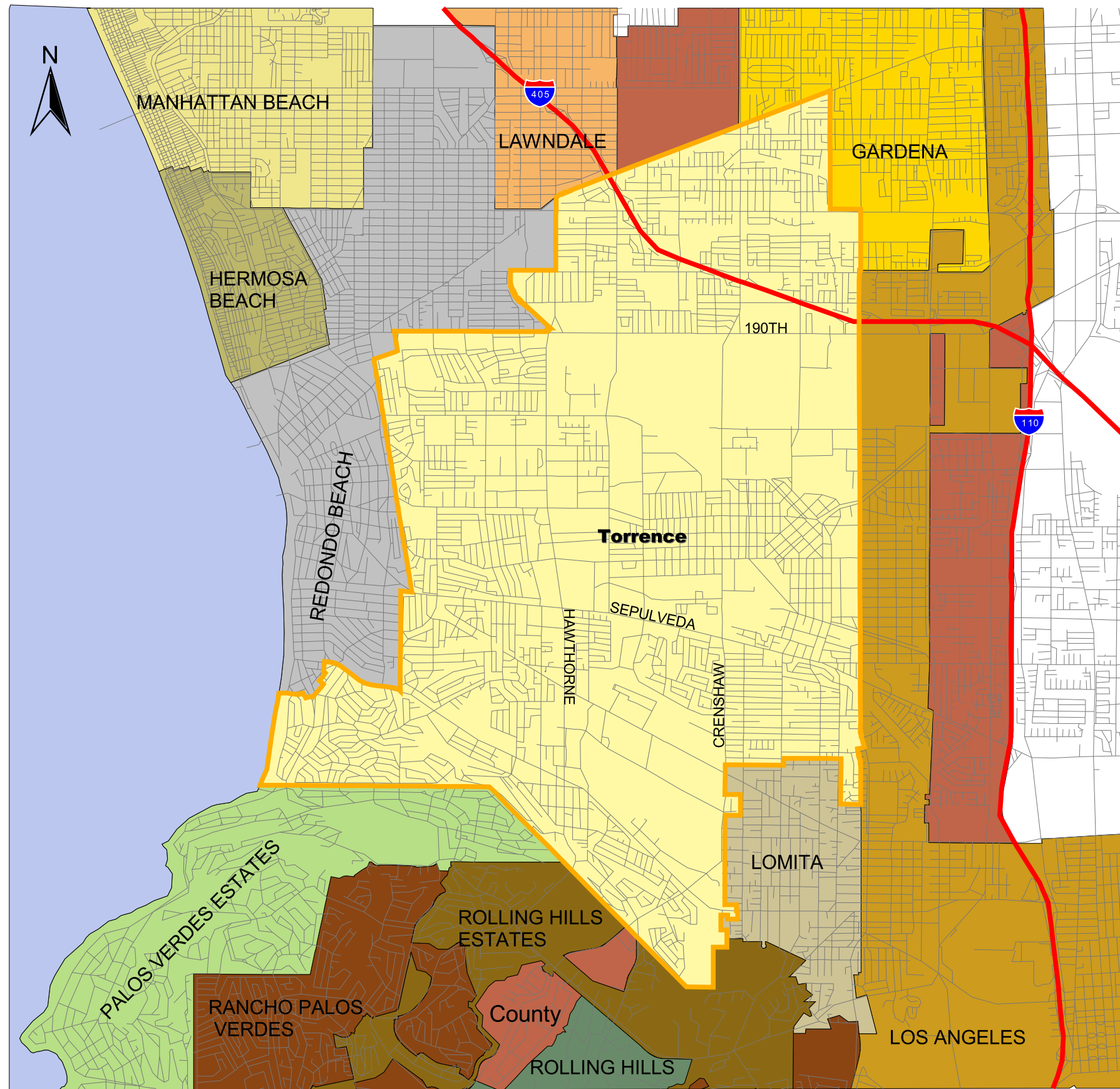
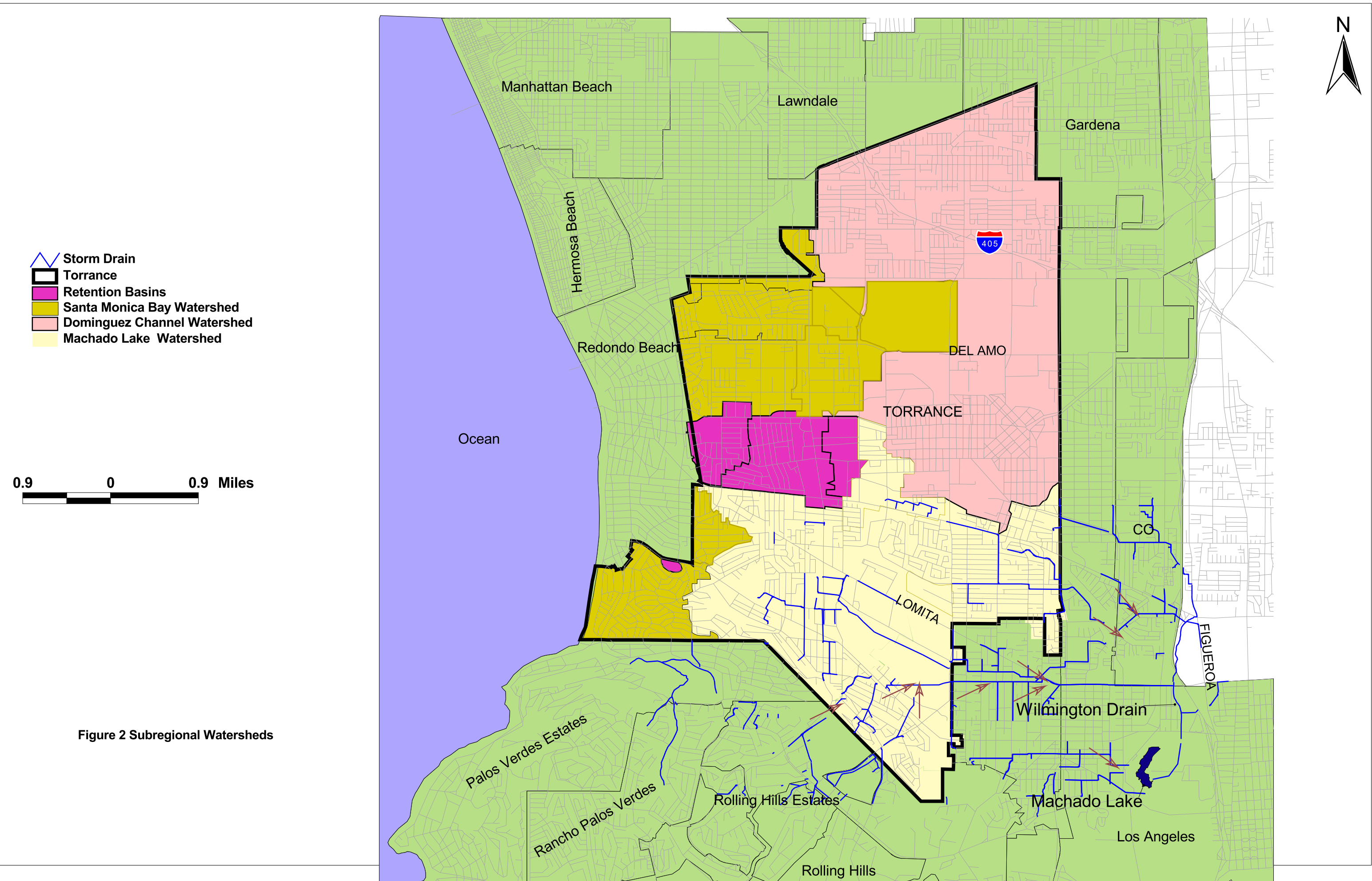
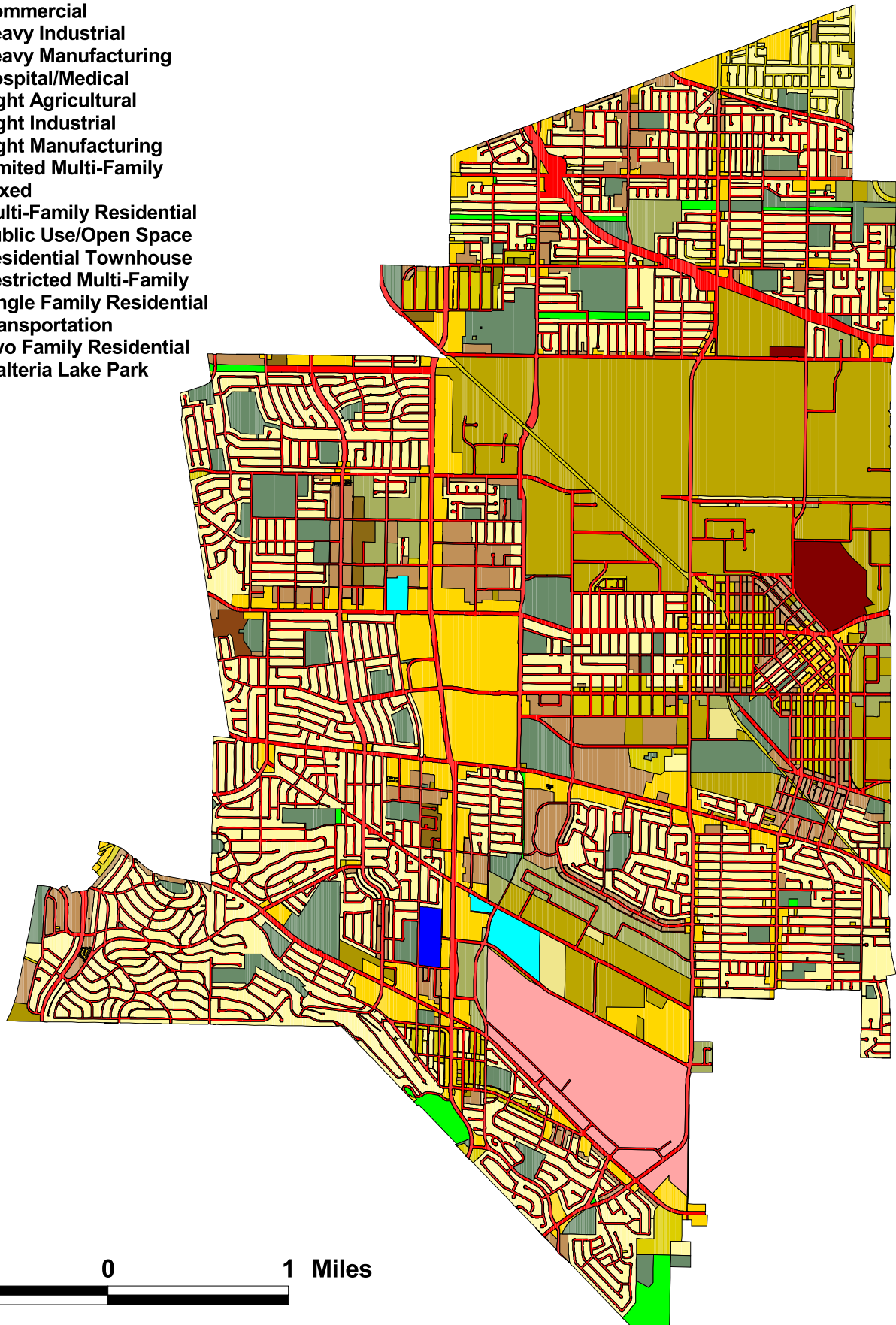


Figure 1 Regional Map of Torrance



Land Use

- Airport
- Commercial
- Heavy Industrial
- Heavy Manufacturing
- Hospital/Medical
- Light Agricultural
- Light Industrial
- Light Manufacturing
- Limited Multi-Family
- Mixed
- Multi-Family Residential
- Public Use/Open Space
- Residential Townhouse
- Restricted Multi-Family
- Single Family Residential
- Transportation
- Two Family Residential
- Walteria Lake Park



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Figure 3 Existing Land Use of Torrance



Figure 4 2007 Satellite Imagery of Machado Lake and Ken Malloy Harbor Park Overview

1.3 Special Study Work Plan

This document provides the overall structure of the Special Study Work Plan with submittals to the Regional Board, as well as providing the initial Pre-BMP Implementation Study Plan (including a proposed field data collection and sampling plan). The Special Study Work Plan addresses the requirements of Optional Study No. 3 to assess compliance with WLAs for total nitrogen and total phosphorus originating from the City's watersheds. The scope of work for this plan includes the following:

- Pre-BMP Implementation Study Period - Including conducting dry weather sampling as outlined within this submittal as well as reviewing water quality models developed by LA County for wet weather events and Machado Lake.
- BMP Evaluation and Selection Study Report - This study report is to be submitted at a later date (see proposed schedule of work plan elements), and will summarize the collected field data and the applicable results obtained from the regional water quality model being developed by LA County for wet weather conditions. The field data and the water quality model data will be used to assess compliance with WLAs under the TMDL. Based on the assessment of compliance, the BMP and Selection Study Report will identify and screen structural BMPs for mitigation to bring the City into compliance with the TMDL.
- Monitoring and Reporting Plan - Subsequent to acceptance by the Regional Board of the findings and conclusions of the City's BMP Evaluation and Selection Study Report, the City will submit an MRP specific to the needs for assessment of future compliance with the TMDL.
- BMP Implementation Report - This report will summarize the monitoring data collected after 12 months of BMP implementation and will provide to the Regional Board an assessment of the success of the structural BMPs implemented by the City to support compliance with the TMDL.

The actual start date for the sampling will be determined following the Regional Board's approval of this Special Study Work Plan. Other conditions that may affect the sampling schedule are weather and equipment conditions and availability. The schedule for the work plan is summarized in Table 3.

The Special Study Work Plan identifies the proposed tasks the City agrees to perform, their timelines, and the roles and responsibilities of various parties in completing the work. The purpose of this document is to serve as a starting point for work planning discussions between the City and the Regional Board.

| Table 3 Schedule or Work Plan Elements | | |
|---|---|--|
| ID | Work Plan Element | Schedule |
| 1 | Special Study Work Plan | May, 2011 (submittal) |
| 2 | Regional Board Review/Approval | June, 2011 (approval) |
| 3 | Pre-BMP Implementation Study | July, 2011 – July, 2012 (field sampling) |
| 4 | BMP Evaluation, Monitoring and Reporting Plan | September, 2011 (submittal) |
| 5 | Regional Review/Approval | August, 2012 (approval) |
| 6 | BMP Implementation | Nov., 2012 (implementation) |
| 7 | BMP Implementation Report | Nov., 2013 (submittal) |

2.0 PRE-BMP IMPLEMENTATION STUDY

2.1 Introduction

The Pre-BMP Implementation Study includes a 12-month FSP and evaluation of regional water quality models for wet weather conditions and Machado Lake to assess the City's current compliance with WLAs. The FSP covers sample collection methods, analytical procedures, data analysis and reporting, and health and safety aspects. The FSP will generate a variety of data including discharge rates and flow volumes, the concentrations of chemical parameters, and the measurement of physical parameters. Utilizing the mass balance approach, the data will be used to estimate the mass of nutrients originating from the City as well as nearby agencies discharging stormwater into the City's storm drain system. The data will also be examined for patterns and trends, comparing stormwater quality between different sampling locations over time.

The Pre-BMP Implementation Study will be undertaken once approval is obtained from the Regional Board for the Special Study Work Plan.

The remaining sections of this document contain the FSP providing field sampling methods and analytical procedures that will be used to collect dry weather water quality data and continuous flow data.

2.2 Objectives of the Pre-BMP Implementation Study

The Pre-BMP Implementation Study will provide the City data needed to assess water quality impacts to the City's drainage network. The objective of this study is to support the City's compliance with the Machado Lake Nutrient TMDL by performing Special Study No. 3. Data and information elements that are part of the Pre-BMP Implementation Study include:

1. Dry weather flow data including calculation of continuous volume data and water quality data obtained through field monitoring and sampling (data to be collected by implementing the FSP included within this document).

2. Estimates of wet weather stormwater quality impacts identified using an integrated water quality model developed by the City of Torrance. The water quality model is described in Section 2.2.1.
3. Identification of BMPs that will be implemented by the City to mitigate observed water quality impacts in the City's outflows to Machado Lake.

2.2.1 Pollutant Loading and Analysis Tool (PLAT)

In order to estimate wet weather stormwater quality impacts, the City has developed an integrated watershed modeling tool to simulate watershed hydrology, nutrient, sediment, and contaminant dynamics. This tool called Pollutant Loading and Analysis Tool (PLAT), incorporates existing and commonly used watershed models. The main models used by PLAT are PLOAD, Program for Predicting Polluting Particle Passage thru Pits, Puddles, and Ponds (P8), and U.S EPA SUSTAIN model. PLAT is based on spatially distributed inputs derived from high resolution satellite imagery. PLAT has four main components: pollutant hot-spots characterization, BMP screening, continuous simulation, and BMP design, optimization, and placement. The SUSTAIN model provides an optimization routine that helps identify the appropriate size of BMPs for treating stormwater runoff from respective source areas to meet TMDL reduction goals. The tool has been validated with results from the LA County Watershed Management Model System (WMMS).

3.0 FIELD SAMPLING PLAN

The 12-month FSP is designed to collect continuous flow data and discrete dry weather water quality data to support the overall study objectives summarized in Section 2.

3.1 Sampling Locations and Access

Site selection is a major challenge, given the scarcity of funding for sampling and laboratory analysis. The number of locations to be sampled was decided based on the program objectives, regulatory requirements, and the size and complexity of the drainage sub-basins and conveyance system. In addition, the frequency of sampling at each location was considered.

As a first step in the selection process, the City's watersheds, sub-basins and drainage system network were reviewed. Based on this review, nine locations were identified that could be used to characterize the flows in and out of each subbasin. Four of these locations are needed at a minimum to characterize the flows conveyed to Machado Lake. The final selection of sample locations was based on factors such as site permission, access, clustering, personal safety, equipment safety, and the likelihood that stormwater would flow at the location. Table 4 summarizes the proposed stormwater sampling locations, types, and characteristics. The general sampling locations are depicted on Figure 5. Appendix A shows detailed characteristics of each sampling location.

At a minimum, four sampling locations will meet the objectives of this program. However, the City will sample five additional locations, Tor-S3, Tor-S6, Tor-S7, Tor-S8, and Tor-S9 as shown on Figure 4 because the results will support critical decisions including identifying sources originating outside of the City's boundaries or sources not under the direct control of the City. The sampling locations Tor-S6, Tor-S7, Tor-S8, and Tor-S9 are discharge points for Rolling Hills and Palos Verdes Estates.

The sampling locations are described below.

Tor-S1

This site is located 40 ft north and 80 ft east of the intersection of Plaza Del Amo and Western Avenue. The total upstream drainage area is approximately 63 acres. The drainage area is mainly residential and commercial land use. Residential and commercial land uses represent 36 percent and 33 percent, respectively, of the drainage area. This site is easily accessible and safe for conducting sampling during both dry and wet weather conditions. The storm sewer conveying stormwater to this site is a 36-inch reinforced concrete pipe. This site is one of the four sites that will provide information on the amount of pollutants leaving the City limits.



Sampling Site: TOR-S1

| Sampling Location Name | Description | Land Use | GPS Coordinates | Associated Upstream Storm Drain Name | Diameter (in) and Material |
|-------------------------------|--|----------------------------|----------------------------------|---|-----------------------------------|
| Tor-S1 | Located 40 ft north and 80 ft east of the intersection of Plaza Del Amo and Western Avenue. . | Residential/ commercial | 33° 49.3572' 118° 18.5208' | City | 36 RCP |
| Tor-S2 | Approximately 50 ft west of 246th Place and Pennsylvania Avenue intersection. | Mixed | 33°48.093' 118° 19.5252' | City | 33 RCP |
| Tor-S3 | Effluent of Walteria Lake, approximately 100 ft east of Madison St. and Skypark Drive intersection. | Mixed | 33°48.6312 118° 20.8674' | Walteria Lake | 54 |
| Tor-S4 | Approximately 210 ft north and 85 ft east of 236th Street and Western Avenue intersection. | Mostly residential | 33° 48.7056' 118° 18.5196' | City | 9'-2"Wx11'H RCB |
| Tor-S5 | About 25 ft west of intersection of Bani Avenue and 250th Street (two pipes intersect from south and west). | Residential/ Airport | 33° 47.8956' 118° 19.6872' | City | 8'-9"Wx9'-7"H RCB |
| Tor-S6 | Approximately 600 ft east of Estates Lane and Crenshaw Boulevard. | Mostly residential | 33° 47.1822' 118° 20.43' | Rolling Hills Estates | 36 RCP |
| Tor-S7 | About 160 ft south and 280 ft east of Rolling Hills Road and Hawthorne Blvd. intersection. Will monitor dry weather flow originating from Rolling Hills Estates. | Mostly residential | 33° 47.6826 118° 20.9232' | Rolling Hills Estates | 10'x10' RCB |
| Tor-S8 | About 500 ft northwest of Paseo De Las Tortugas and Mesa St. intersection. Will monitor dry weather flow originating from Rolling Hills Estates. | Mostly residential | 33° 48.0522' 118° 21.4254' | Rolling Hills Estates | 24 RCP |
| Tor-S9 | About 830 ft east and 120 ft south of Paseo de las Tortugas and Vista Montana intersection. Will monitor dry weather flow originating from Palos Verdes Estates. | Mostly residential | 33° 48.2742' 118° 21.7776' | Palos Verdes Estates | 42 RCP |

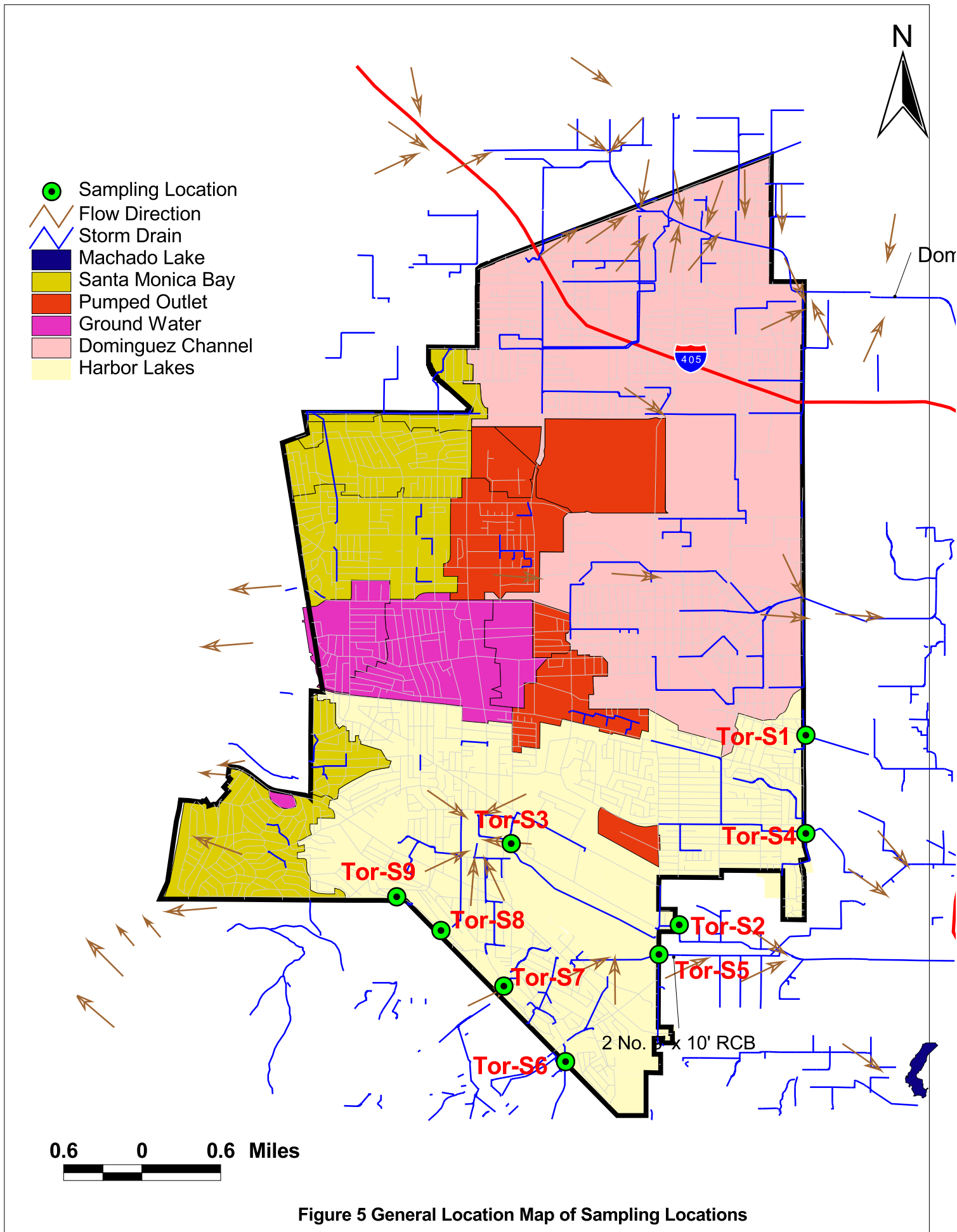


Figure 5 General Location Map of Sampling Locations

Tor-S2

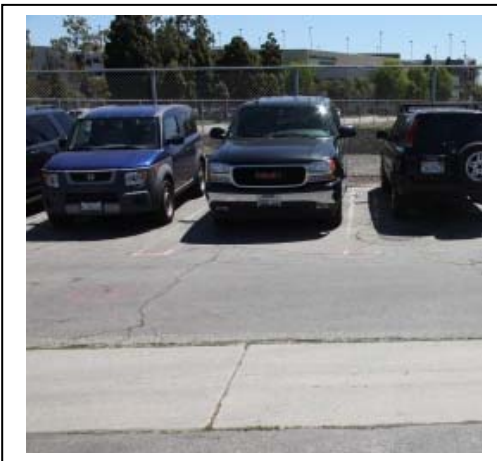
Tor-S2 is approximately 50 ft west of the intersection of 246th Place and Pennsylvania Avenue. The total upstream drainage area is about 2,605 acres. The drainage area is a mixed land use, about 32 percent residential, 10 percent commercial and 11 percent industrial. The Torrance Airport accounts for 12 percent of the drainage area. Tor-S2 is easily accessible and safe for conducting sampling during both dry and wet weather conditions. Stormwater is conveyed to this site through an 8' x 7' reinforced concrete box. This site is one the four sites that will provide information to quantify the amount of pollutants leaving the City limits.



Sampling Site: TOR-S2

Tor-S3

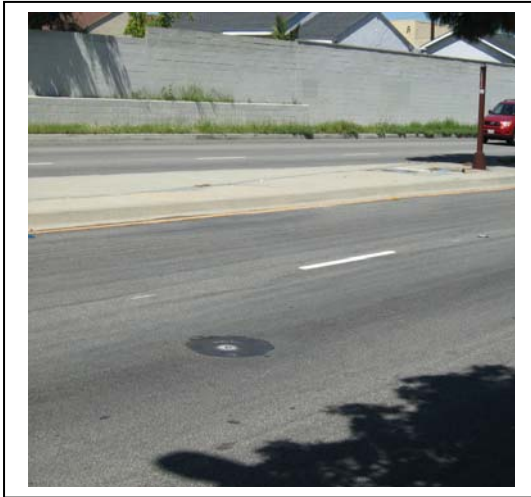
This site, which is approximately 100 ft east of Madison St. and Skypark Drive intersection, will assist the City in characterizing discharges from Walteria Lake. The total upstream drainage area is approximately 2,285 acres. This site is upstream of Tor-S2. Land use is mixed with 37 percent residential, 10 percent commercial and 9 percent industrial. A 54-inch pipe conveys stormwater to this site. The site is easily accessible and safe for all weather sampling.



Sampling Site: TOR-S3

Tor-S4

Tor-S4 is approximately 210 ft north and 85 ft east of 236th Street and Western Avenue intersection. The total drainage area upstream of this sampling location is approximately 1,014 acres. Residential land use represents nearly 60 percent of the drainage area. Commercial and industrial land uses represent only 9 percent of the drainage area. The storm drain serving this site is a 9'-2" x 11' RCB. The site is safe for all weather sampling and it is easily accessible.



Sampling Site: TOR-S4

Tor-S5

This site is about 25 ft west of the intersection of Bani Avenue and 250th Street (two pipes intersect from south and west). This sampling site serves an upstream drainage area of approximately 661 acres. This site is mainly residential and airport land use; residential and airport land uses represent 43 and 24 percent of the drainage area, respectively. The storm drain discharging stormwater to this site is an 8'-9" x 9'-7' RCB. This site is easily accessible and safe for sampling activities.



Sampling Site: TOR-S5

Tor-S6

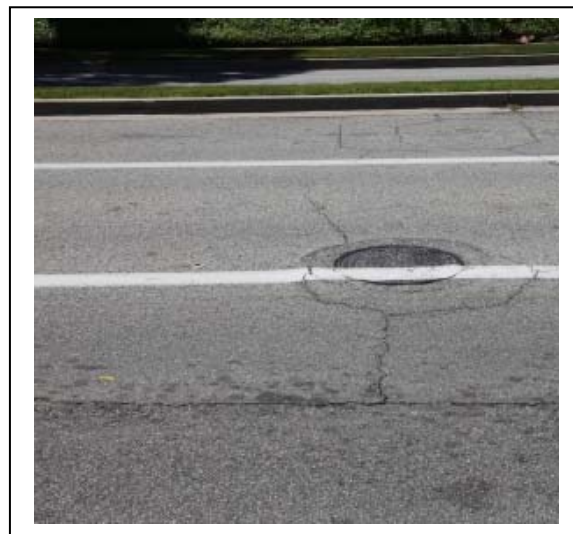
Tor-S6 is located at approximately 600 ft east of Estates Lane and Crenshaw Boulevard. This site will monitor flow entering the City's storm drain from Rolling Hills Estate. The sampling site is safe and easily accessible.



Sampling Site: TOR-S6

Tor-S7

This site is about 160 ft south and 280 ft east of Rolling Hills Road and Hawthorne Blvd. intersection. It will monitor dry weather flow originating from Rolling Hills Estates. The site is easily accessible and safe for sampling at all weather conditions.



Sampling Site: TOR-S7

Tor-S8

This site is located at about 500 ft northwest of Paseo De Las Tortugas and Mesa St. intersection. It will monitor dry weather flow originating from Rolling Hills Estates. The site is easily accessible and safe for sampling at all weather conditions.



Sampling Site: TOR-S8

Tor-S9

Tor-S9 is about 830 ft east and 120 ft south of Paseo de Las Tortugas and Vista Montana intersection. This site will monitor dry weather flow originating from Palos Verdes Estates. The site is accessible and safe for sampling activities.



Sampling Site: TOR-S9

3.2 Sample Collection Frequency

The City's sampling program consists of three major elements:

1. Monthly sampling during dry weather conditions for all sampling locations. Grab samples will be collected from each sampling location. Dry weather conditions must be preceded by at least 24 hours of no greater than trace precipitation or have an intensity of less than 0.1 inches of rain in a 24-hour period.
2. Samples will be collected from Tor-S3 during four discrete storm events and anytime the LA County pumps stormwater from the Walteria Lake into the 54-inch storm drain. Pumping schedule will be obtained from LA County.
3. Continuous recording of stage or flow depth during dry weather periods for flow estimation will be collected from the proposed sample locations during dry weather flow conditions.

Regarding Tor-S3, one grab sample for each of the four storm events will be collected under the following conditions:

1. Sampling will occur during a storm event with at least 0.1 inch of precipitation (defined as a "measurable" event). Weather forecasts will be evaluated before deciding whether or not to sample a particular rain event. The monitoring manager will periodically establish a modem connection with each sampling unit to monitor rainfall, flow rates, and sampling activity. The monitoring manager will download stored data from the National Weather Service as needed.
2. Sampling will not occur at a frequency greater than once every 72 hours.
3. Sampling will not occur unless there has been at least 72 hours of continuous dry weather immediately preceding the "measurable" event.
4. Grab samples will be collected from this location during approximately the first 30 minutes to 1 hour of stormwater discharge (where possible).

The intention of the sample collection frequency and stormwater event requirements described above is to collect samples that are representative of runoff conditions from Tor-S3. No samples will be collected from the remaining eight sampling locations during storm events. The City's Pollutant Loading and Analysis Tool (PLAT) will be used to estimate nutrient loading for these sampling location during storm events.

3.3 Selection of Analytical Parameters

The City proposes to use a mass based WLA compliance option to evaluate TMDL compliance. Samples submitted for nutrients will be tested for ammonia-N (NH_3^+), ammonium, nitrite (NO_2), nitrate (NO_3), total Kjeldahl nitrogen (TKN), total phosphorus (TP), and phosphate (PO_4). Water samples submitted for conventional water parameters (general chemistry) will be tested for alkalinity, pH, chloride, total suspended solids (TSS), total solids, dissolved solids, turbidity, dissolved organic carbon (DOC), total organic carbon (TOC), and standard metals. The constituents to be sampled are listed in Table 5.

| Analyte | Method of Analysis | Detection Limits |
|------------------------------|----------------------------|-------------------------|
| NH ₃ ⁺ | SM 4500-NH ₃ -H | 0.02 mg/l |
| NO ₃ | SM 4500-NO ₃ -F | 0.02 mg/l |
| NO ₂ | SM 4500-NO ₃ -F | 0.01 mg/l |
| TKN | EPA 351.3 | 0.1 mg/l |
| TP | EPA 365.4 | 0.06 mg/l |
| PO ₄ | SM 4500-P-F | 0.01 mg/l |
| TSS | EPA 160.2 | 0.5 mg/l |
| Turbidity | n/a | 0.01 NTU |

3.4 Continuous Flow Monitoring

Accurate assessment of flow is crucial to pollutant loads assessments and analysis. Continuous flow data will be collected as part of this sampling effort for all nine sampling locations. The primary benefit of these continuous monitoring sites is the ability to gauge the increase in flow due to a storm event and apply concentration data to calculate pollutant loading.

Global Water’s FL16 Water Flow Logger will be used for flow data collection. The FL16 Water Flow Loggers will record over 81,000 depth, temperature, water flow and velocity readings in the drainage pipes. The specially engineered, non-fouling water level sensor works in depths as little as ½ inch and allows for deployment in manholes and other difficult to access areas without the need to enter the confined space.

FL16 Water Flow Recorder’s user-friendly Windows-based software is tailored specifically for calculating water flows in partially filled sewer and drainage pipes using the Manning’s Equation, with pull-down menus for selecting and entering the necessary information. The Water Flow Recorder software has a unique calibration feature which allows users to view calculated water velocity, compare this to actual measured data, and adjust the water flow parameters to calibrate for the water flow conditions of a specific application.

The flow measuring systems will be calibrated before data collection begins and that these will be re-calibrated monthly.

3.5 The Sampling Team

Grab samples from the nine sampling locations will be collected by a contract lab retained by the City. Pre-labeled sample bottles will be provided by the certified laboratory that will be conducting the analyses. The Sampling Team will be responsible for ensuring that all required equipment is ready for field operation. They are also responsible for performing the entire field sampling activities and most of the sampling preparation. Any member of the Sampling Team may recommend canceling sampling if the predicted conditions do not materialize or if health or safety of the team could be imperiled due to site conditions or extreme weather.

4.0 SAMPLE COLLECTION PROCEDURES

This section describes the sampling procedures, record keeping, sample handling, storage, and field quality control procedures that will be used during stormwater sampling.

4.1 Preparation for conducting the sampling

Several things will be done to prepare to conduct stormwater sampling. First, the laboratory to analyze the samples will be contacted. The following information will be sought from the lab:

- Type and size of bottles needed
- Procedures to filling the bottles
- Sample volume requirements
- Labels or additional forms required
- Explanation of the chain of custody form
- Sample preservation requirements and/or holding time restrictions
- Means of sample delivery to the lab
- Overnight delivery requirements
- Costs

Once a lab has been selected the sampling equipment (sampling bottles from a lab, sampling instruments, and personal safety equipment) will be made ready, as well as the field sheet to document the required information. Table 6 lists constituents and sample container requirements.

Field personnel will complete a field condition data sheet. The following items will be listed on the field sampling sheet and included in the stormwater discharge monitoring report:

- Person who conducted the sampling
- Date and time of discharge
- Length of storm event
- Time between sampled storm event and previous storm event (at least 72 hrs)
- Total rainfall during storm event
- Photo documentation

A field data sheet is attached as Appendix B.

4.1.1 Sampling Equipment

Monitoring equipment will be gathered ahead of time because opportunities to sample during rainfall events often come with little advanced notice. The following equipments will be required for the sampling efforts:

- Field forms
- Waterproof pens
- Permanent markers

- Powder-free nitrile gloves
- Clear glass jar for visual examinations
- Sample containers
- Sample preservatives
- Sample container labels
- COC forms
- COC seals
- Ice chests
- Ice
- Foul-weather gear
- Manhole sampler

Table 6 Monitoring Constituents and Sample Container Requirements

| Analyte | Container | Volume | Preservation | Holding Time |
|------------------------------|-----------|--------|--------------------|--------------|
| NH ₃ ⁺ | Plastic | 50 ml | ≤ 6°C H2SO4 PH < 2 | 28 days |
| NO ₃ | Plastic | 50 ml | ≤ 6°C, H2SO4 PH <2 | 48 hours |
| NO ₂ | Plastic | 50 ml | ≤ 6°C, H2SO4 PH <2 | 48 hours |
| TKN | Plastic | 50 ml | ≤ 6°C, H2SO4 PH <2 | 28 days |
| TP | Plastic | 50 ml | ≤ 6°C, H2SO4 PH <2 | 28 days |
| PO ₄ | Plastic | 50 ml | ≤ 6°C | 48 hours |
| TSS | Plastic | 200 ml | ≤ 6°C | 7 days |

4.2 Sampling Method

Water samples will be collected from storm sewer manhole and outfall sites. All samples will be collected as individual grabs. Samples will be collected directly into sample containers or with a laboratory-supplied container attached to a pole with duct tape or other means. Sampling containers will be held with container openings facing upstream to prevent contamination during sampling. Field personnel will wear powder-free nitrile disposable gloves. Each sample will be given a field identification, tagged, and kept cool at 4 degrees C. Chain-of-custody (COC) procedures will be observed and samples delivered to the laboratory within the allowable holding times for each parameter.

It is assumed that sampling locations will have well-mixed conditions so that single grabs are representative of water quality. Field personnel will record the degree of turbulence or quiescence as well as the dimensions of the conveyance sampled and/or a description of water flowing in the conveyance. Field personnel will also record the date and time of sample collection and the flow rate.

Sampling containers for direct grabs (either by hand or with pole attached to laboratory supplied container) will be pre-cleaned by the laboratory. It will be made certain that if a sample is transferred (either for collection purposes or to form grab-composite samples), that only laboratory-supplied containers are permitted to come in contact with the sample.

4.3 Personal Safety

A Health and Safety Plan approved by the contract lab will be reviewed by the all field personnel before the sampling operations covered in this monitoring plan begin. Personal safety will be of primary concern while conducting all stormwater sampling related activities. All persons involved in the sampling operation will be made aware of the hazards associated with monitoring and should freely voice any concerns if potential hazards become apparent. The Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) provides regulations and guidance on occupational safety, many of which are directly applicable to the types of activities involved in stormwater monitoring. It is the direct responsibility of each person involved in the monitoring program to read the Health and Safety Plan and adhere to its requirements. The following list provides a few basic health and safety procedures that will help to create a safer sampling environment.

- Do not sample alone, a minimum of two-person field crews will be used for stormwater sampling.
- Do not enter a confined space without proper training, equipment, and surface support.
- Never remove or replace manhole covers with your bare hands or feet.
- Never leave an open manhole unattended.
- Do not start staging or sampling until traffic control has been established.

4.4 Clean Sampling Techniques

Clean sample collection techniques will be followed to minimize the potential for contamination of stormwater runoff samples. Care will be taken during all sampling operations to avoid contamination of the water samples by human, atmospheric, or other potential sources of contamination. The monitoring team should prevent contamination of any of the following items: composite bottles, lids, sample, tubing, and strainers.

4.5 Sample Packing and Shipping

Monitoring personnel will deliver the samples to the laboratory. Sample bottles will be placed in coolers or some other package that is rigid enough to provide protection of the samples and is insulated to keep samples cold. During packing, the sample from one monitoring location will not be separated into separate shipping containers unless bottles of one size need to be shipped together because of container size. If samples from a location are separated a copy of the field-sampling sheet pertaining to the bottles will be enclosed in each shipping container. Prior to shipping, all sample bottles will be recorded on the packing lists, which will include the shipping date and the method of transporting the samples. Samples will be delivered to the analytical laboratory within 4 hours of sampling to ensure the maximum holding time for bacteria of 6 hours is not exceeded.

4.6 Chain of Custody

After samples have been obtained and the collection procedures properly documented, a written record of the COC of each sample will be made. This record ensures that samples will not be tampered with or inadvertently compromised in any way, and it also tracks the requested analysis for the analytical laboratory. COC refers to the documented account of changes in possession that occur for samples.

The COC record tracks the sampling path from origin through laboratory analysis. Information necessary in the COC includes:

- Name of the persons collecting the sample(s).
- Date and time of sample collection.
- Location of sample collection.
- Names and signatures of all persons handling the samples in the field and in the laboratory.
- Laboratory analysis requested and control information (e.g., duplicate or spiked samples etc.) and any special instructions (e.g., time sensitive analyses).

To ensure that all necessary information is documented a COC form will accompany each sample or set of samples. COC forms will be printed on multipart carbonless paper so that all personnel handling the samples may obtain a copy. A COC record should accompany all sample shipments and the sample originator will retain a copy of the forms. When transferring custody of samples the transferee will sign and record the date and time of each transfer. Each person who takes custody will complete the appropriate portion of the chain of custody documentation. A sample COC form to be used for this field sampling is attached as Appendix C.

5.0 QUALITY ASSURANCE AND QUALITY CONTROL

5.1 Data Quality Objective

The quality assurance/quality control (QA/QC) program will be implemented to satisfy the data quality objectives of the monitoring program. The primary data quality objectives are to obtain defensible data of acceptable sensitivity and quality to:

- Evaluate the stormwater management program.
- Evaluate stormwater quality.
- Evaluate of BMP as corrective measure.

The analytical laboratory selected for this study will evaluate the accuracy of its sample extraction and/or analytical procedures using spiked samples, which may include matrix spikes (MS), laboratory control samples (LCS) and surrogate spikes. Acceptable spike recoveries must fall within statistically derived laboratory "control limits." Precision is the agreement among a set a replicate measurements of the same parameter. The analytical laboratory will evaluate precision by performing matrix spike duplicate (MSD), laboratory control sample duplicate (LCSD) and duplicate stormwater sample analyses (typically

performed for inorganic parameters only). The data quality objectives also include obtaining data that are comparable and representative of the water quality conditions at each monitoring location. Comparable data will be collected if comparable sampling, analysis, QA/QC and reporting procedures are implemented throughout the monitoring program. Representative samples will be collected by performing sampling activities compliant with the procedures described in this monitoring plan. Duplicate samples will be collected and the results will be used to evaluate representativeness. Comparability expresses the confidence with which one data set can be compared to another. Data are comparable if collection techniques, measurement procedures, methods, and reporting are equivalent for the samples within a sample set. Data quality assurance objectives are summarized in Table 7.

| Analyte | Units | Precision | Accuracy | Reporting Limit | Completeness |
|------------------------------|--------------|------------------|-----------------|------------------------|---------------------|
| NH ₃ ⁺ | mg/l | ±20% | ±30% | 0.10 mg/l | 90% |
| NO ₃ | mg/l | ±20% | ±30% | 0.1 mg/l | 90% |
| NO ₂ | mg/l | ±20% | ±30% | 0.1 mg/l | 90% |
| TKN | mg/l | ±20% | ±30% | 0.1 mg/l | 90% |
| TP | mg/l | ±20% | ±30% | 0.1 mg/l | 90% |
| PO ₄ | mg/l | ±20% | ±30% | 0.025 mg/l | 90% |
| TSS | mg/l | ±20% | ±30% | 1 mg/l | 90% |

5.1.1 Field Quality Control Samples

Field quality control samples will be collected at a 10% frequency in order to provide quality performance information for the sampling program. One in ten samples submitted for analysis will be one of three field QC sample types: field blank; field duplicate; and/or performance evaluation blank. Table 8 lists the quality performance goals that each of the three types of field QC sample types is intended to address.

| Quality Performance Goal | Field Blank | Field Duplicate | Performance Evaluation Blank |
|--|--------------------|------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| Minimize false positive results | X | | X |
| Sample bottles free of contamination | X | | |
| No contamination introduced by sampling process | X | | |
| Measurement error attributable to sample inhomogeneity | | X | |

5.2 Field Quality Assurance/Quality Control

This section summarizes the QA/QC procedures that will be implemented by field personnel to evaluate sample contamination, sampling precision, and matrix interference.

5.2.1 Equipment Blanks

After the intermediate sample container or scoop is cleaned, an equipment blank will be collected by pouring reagent-grade water into the apparatus. The water will be transferred into sample bottles and analyzed for the full analytical suite.

5.2.2 Field Duplicate Samples

Field duplicate samples will be collected to evaluate the precision and representativeness of the sample collection procedures as well as sample homogeneity. The duplicate sample will be collected using the specified manual grab sampling techniques. Twice the volume required for the analytical suite will be collected with each duplicate sample. For grab samples, intermediate sample containers will be used, and the volume collected will be apportioned equally between the intermediate containers. The water in each intermediate container will be poured into a discrete set of sample bottles. One set of bottles will be labeled with fictitious sample identification and submitted "blind" to the laboratory.

5.2.3 Matrix Spike Samples

MS and MSD analyses will be performed by the laboratory using project samples. Field crews will submit twice the required sample volume for the sample selected as the matrix spike sample. Field personnel will identify the MS/MSD sample on the COC form.

5.3 Laboratory Quality Control

This sub-section summarizes the QC procedures the laboratory will perform and report with the analytical data packages. These procedures are not inclusive of the QA/QC that is required for compliance with the analytical method.

5.3.1 Method Blanks

A method blank is prepared using reagent-grade water, and is extracted and analyzed with each sample batch (typically 20 samples extracted and/or analyzed on a given day). Method blank results are used to identify potential sources of sample contamination resulting from laboratory procedures. Target analytes should not be detected in the method blank above the practical quantitative limit.

5.3.2 Matrix Spike and Laboratory Control Samples

MS, MSDs, LCS, and LCSDs will be performed by the laboratory to evaluate the accuracy of the sample extraction and analysis procedures. MS/MSDs will also be performed to evaluate matrix interference. Matrix interference is the effect of the sample matrix on the analysis, which may partially or completely mask the response of the analytical instrumentation to the target analyte(s). Matrix interference may affect the accuracy of the extraction and/or analysis procedures to varying degrees, and may bias the sample results high or low. The

MS/MSD is prepared by adding known quantities of target analytes to a sample. The sample is then extracted and/or analyzed as a typical environmental sample, and the results are reported as percent recovery.

6.0 DATA MANAGEMENT AND REPORTING

The sampling results will be reported by the laboratory as hard copy and as electronic files. Hard copy data will be entered into an electronic format, and checked at least once by a different person. Electronic submittal of results will be discussed with the analytical laboratory in advance of delivery and its format arranged. A separate record will be generated for each sample analysis.

In addition, the key information such as station ID, sample date and time, name of sampler, name of constituent, all results, units, detection limits, methods used, name of the laboratory, and any field notes will be entered into the database. Additional information, such as compositing of multiple samples, or the use of grab will also be included.

When reporting the laboratory results for each stormwater sample the following information will be provided:

- Sample site.
- Sample date and time.
- Sample number (or identification).
- Sampling technician(s).
- Detection limit and reliability limit of analytical procedure(s).
- Sample results with clearly specified units.

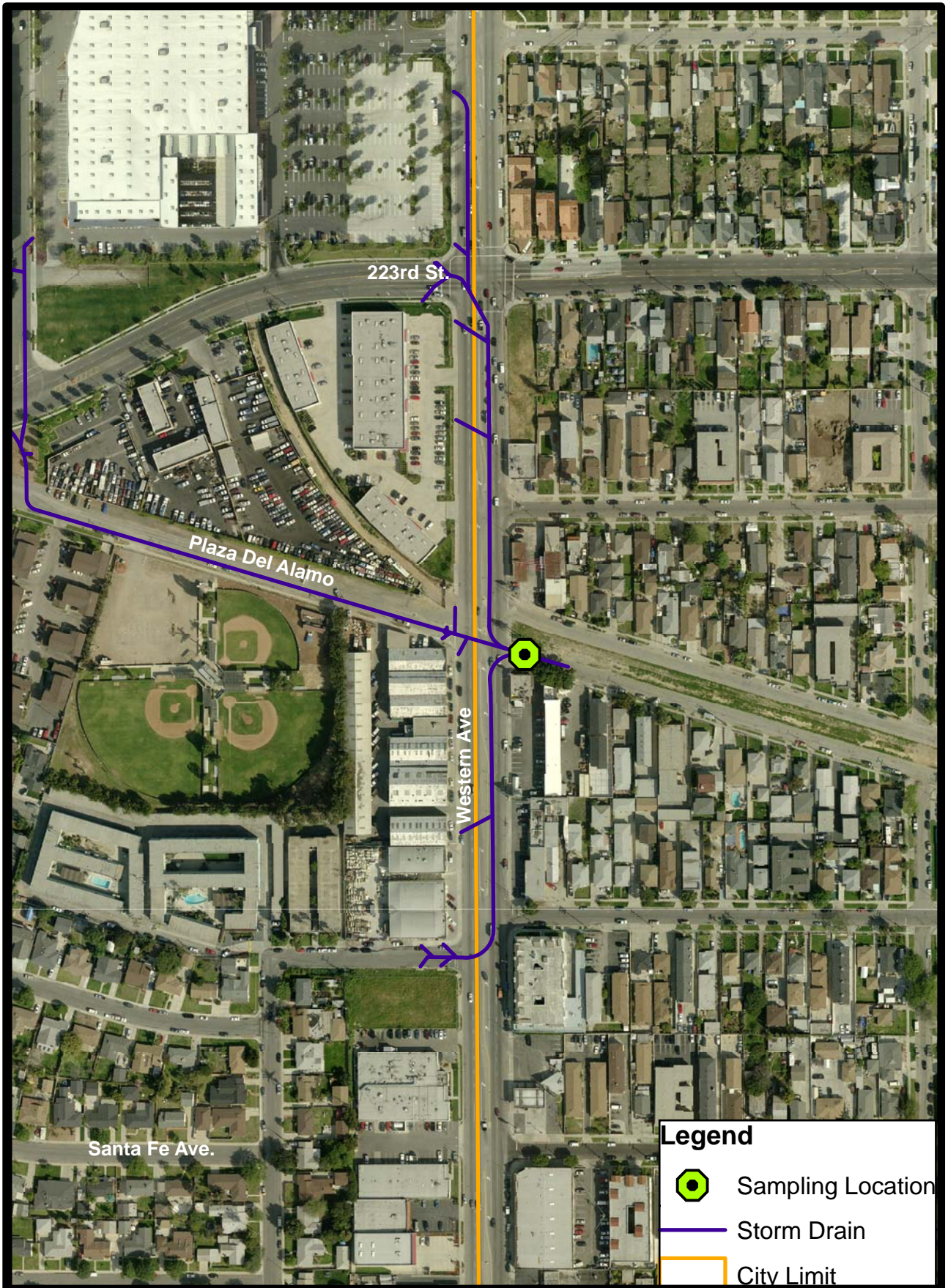
The results of all samples collected under this plan will be submitted to Regional Board in a monitoring report. Monitoring report will include:

- Introduction and background information
- Documentation and summary of each sampling event, including photos
- Electronic copies of field conditions data sheets
- Summary discussion of results
- Tabular results of all samples, including quality assurance quality control samples, in electronic format, (Excel)
- Evaluation data quality based on QAPP requirements.

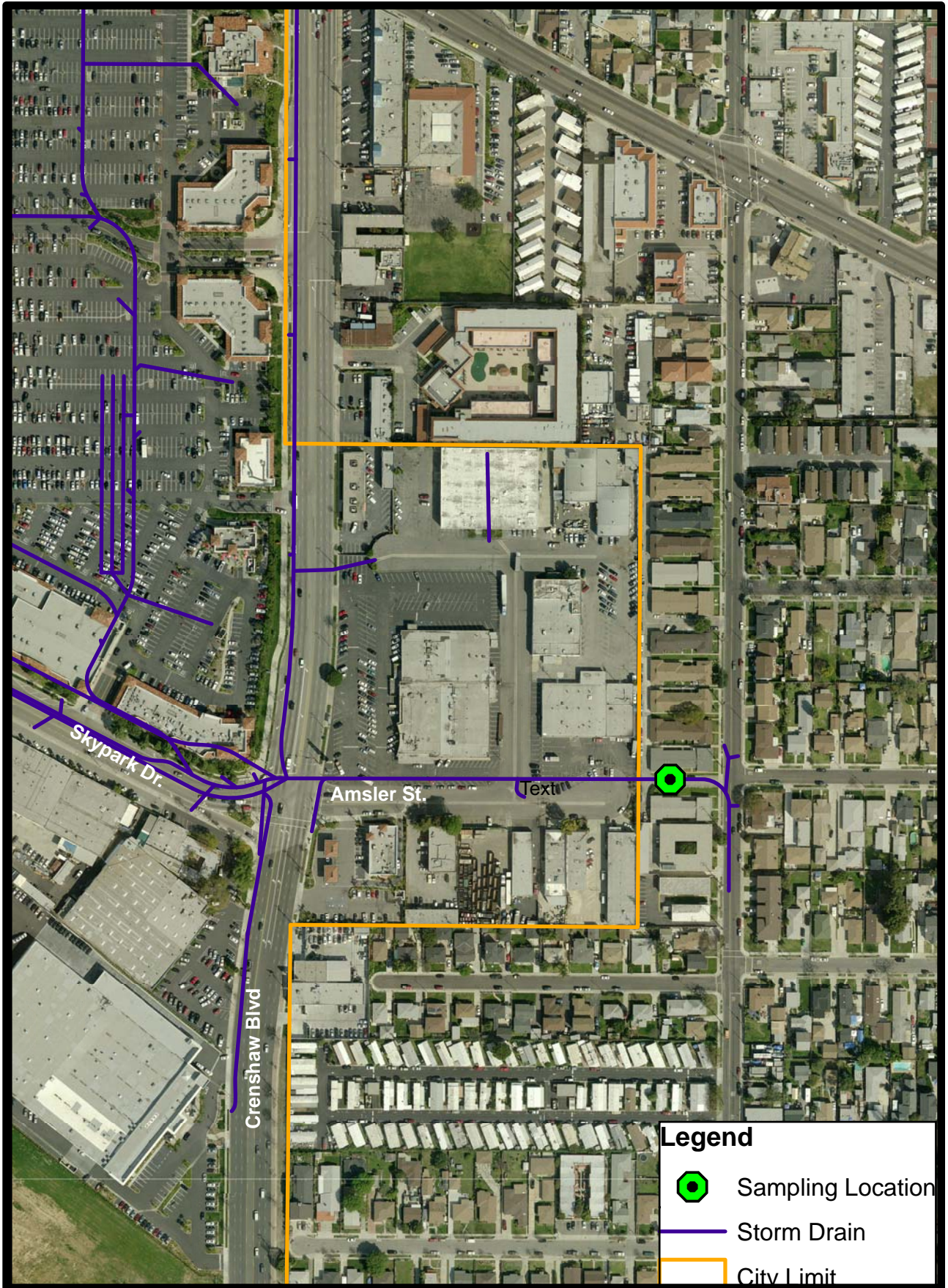
APPENDIX A

Detailed Maps of Sampling Locations

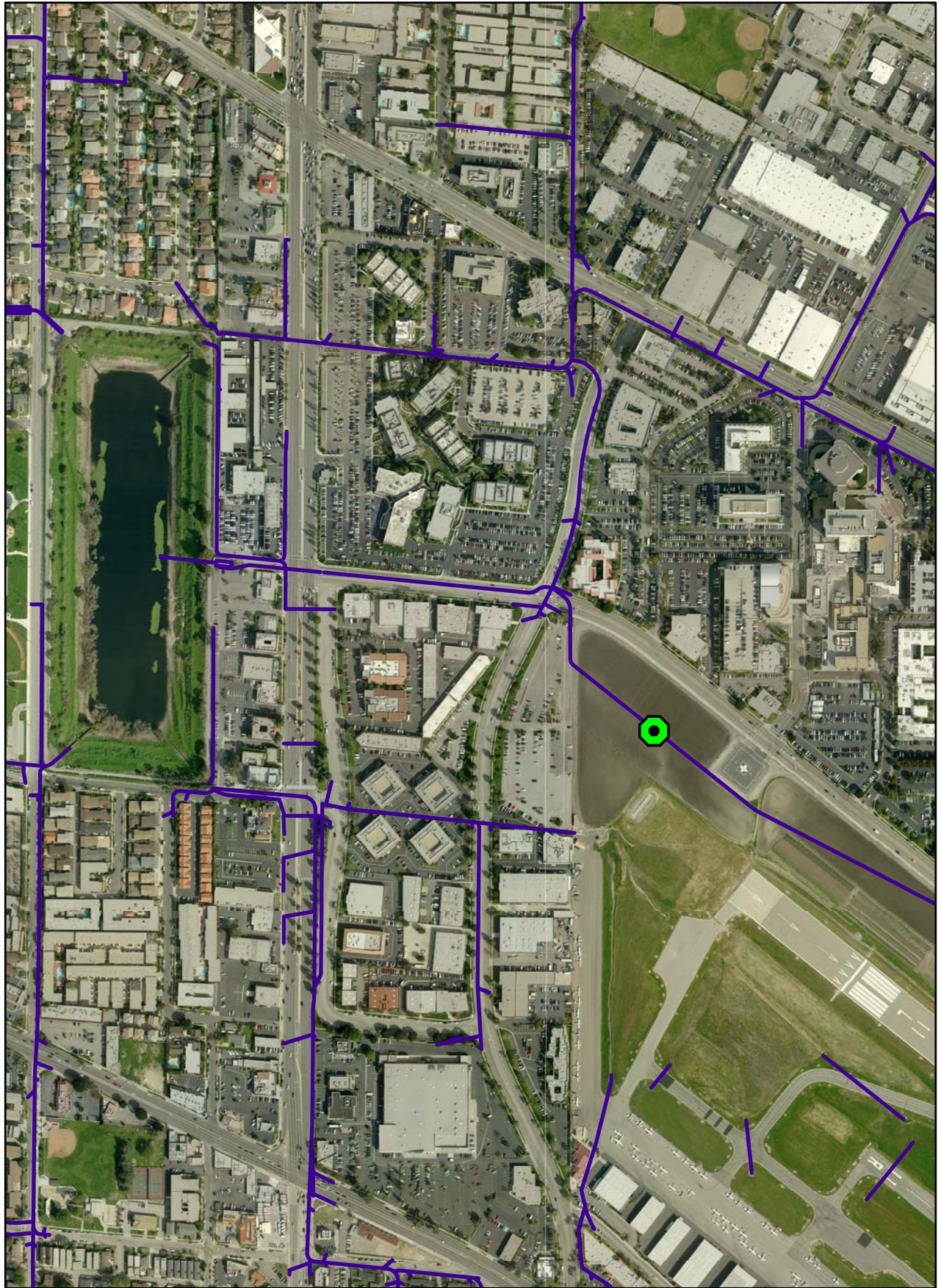
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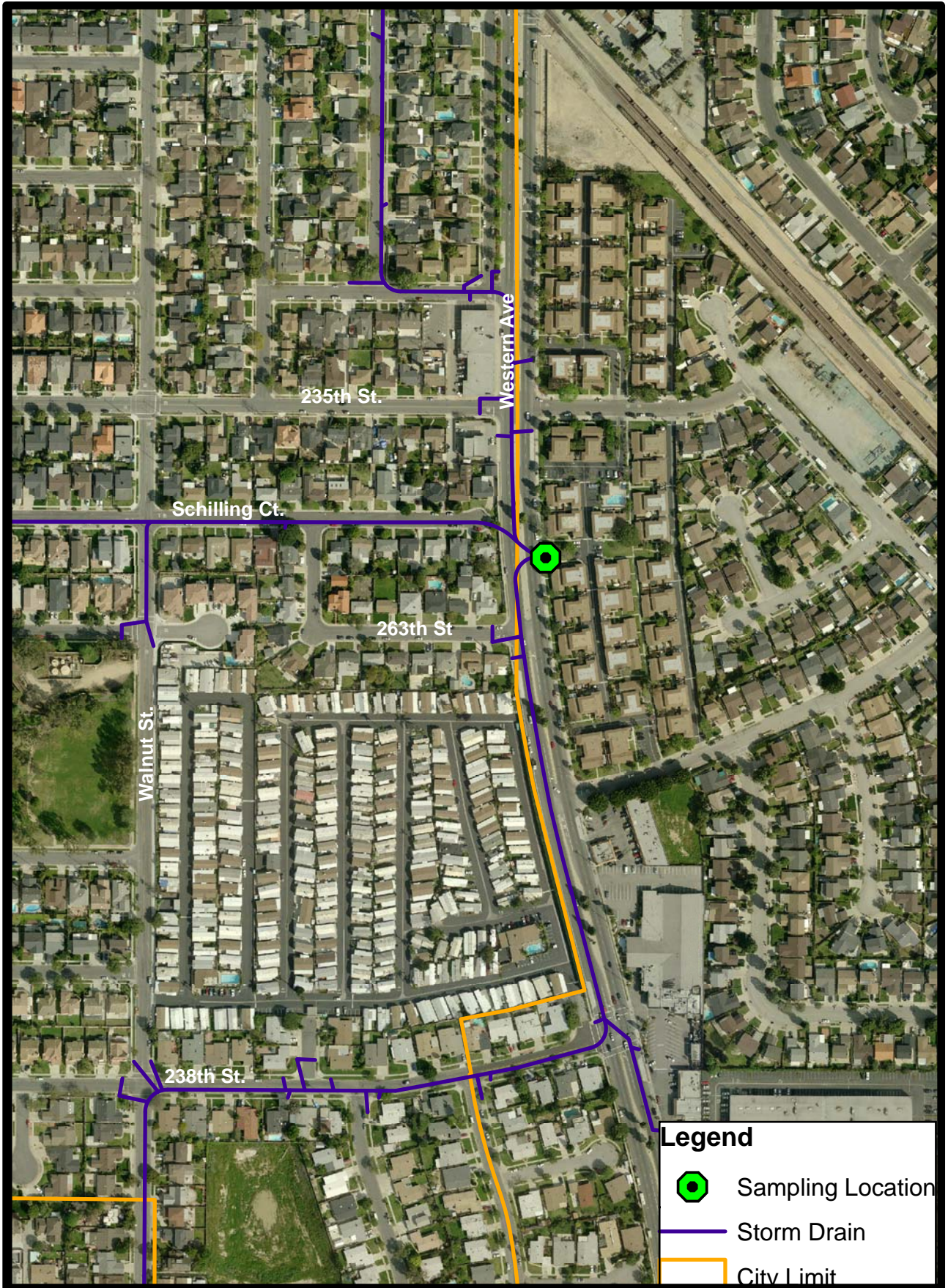
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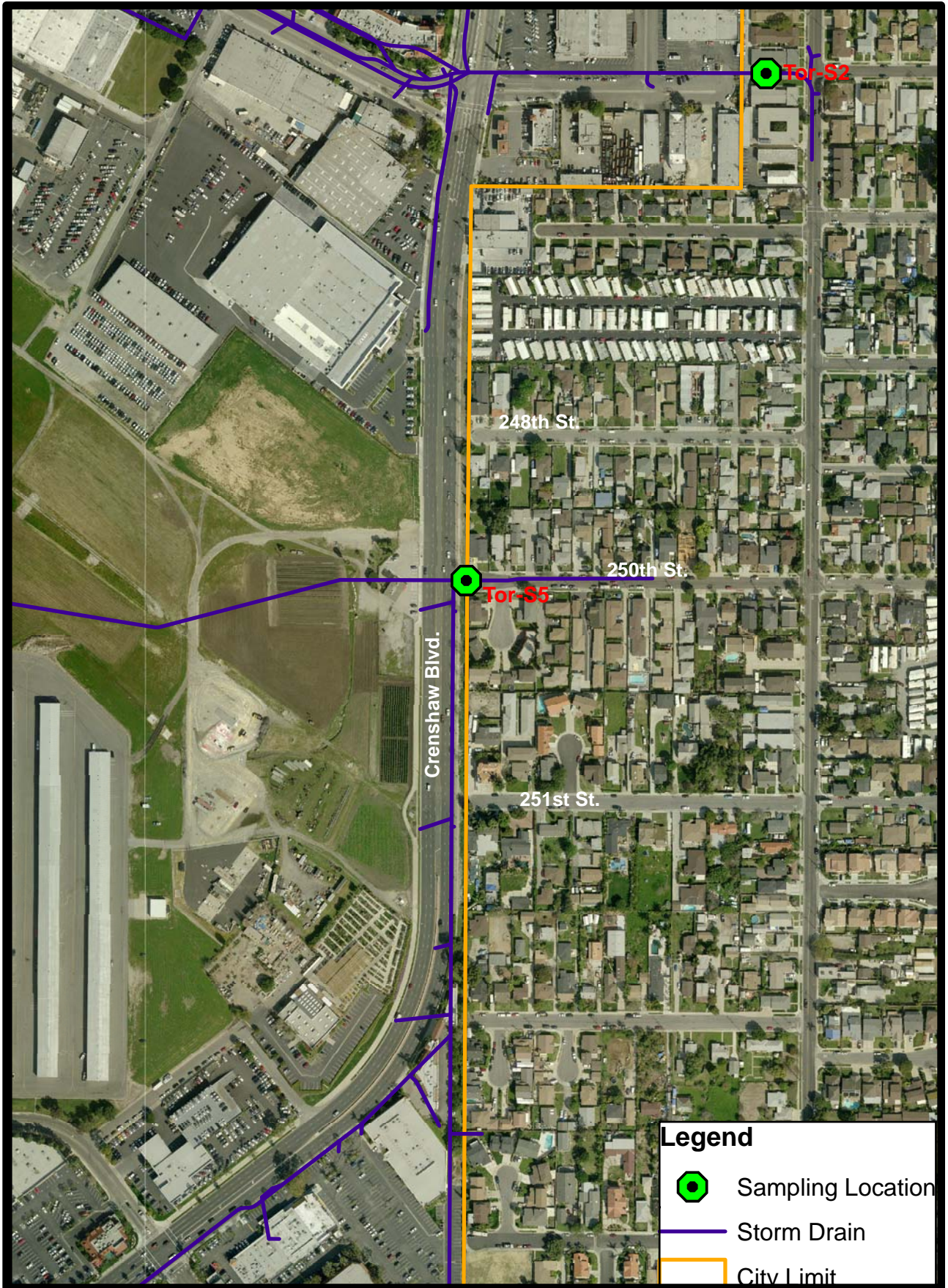
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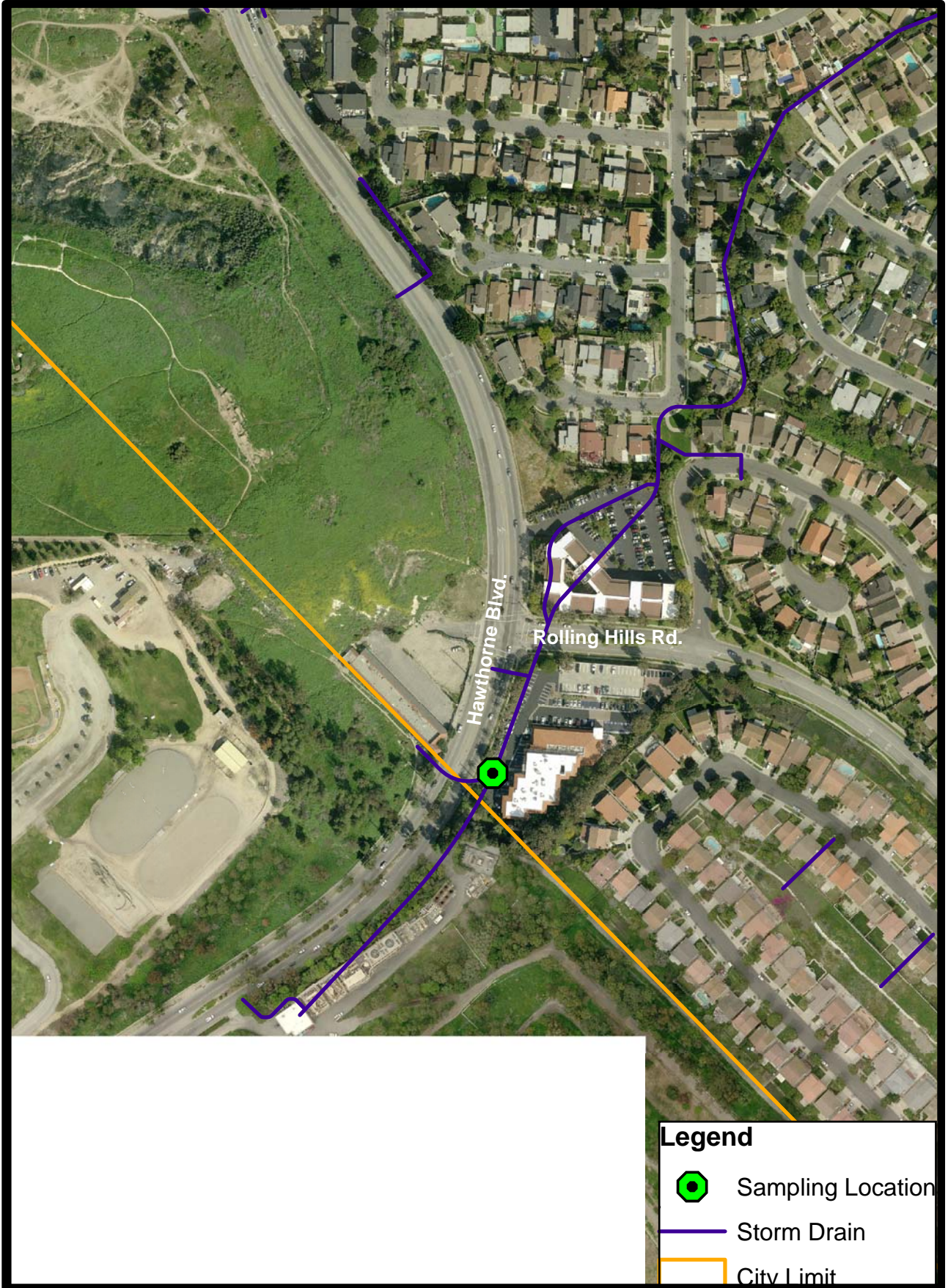
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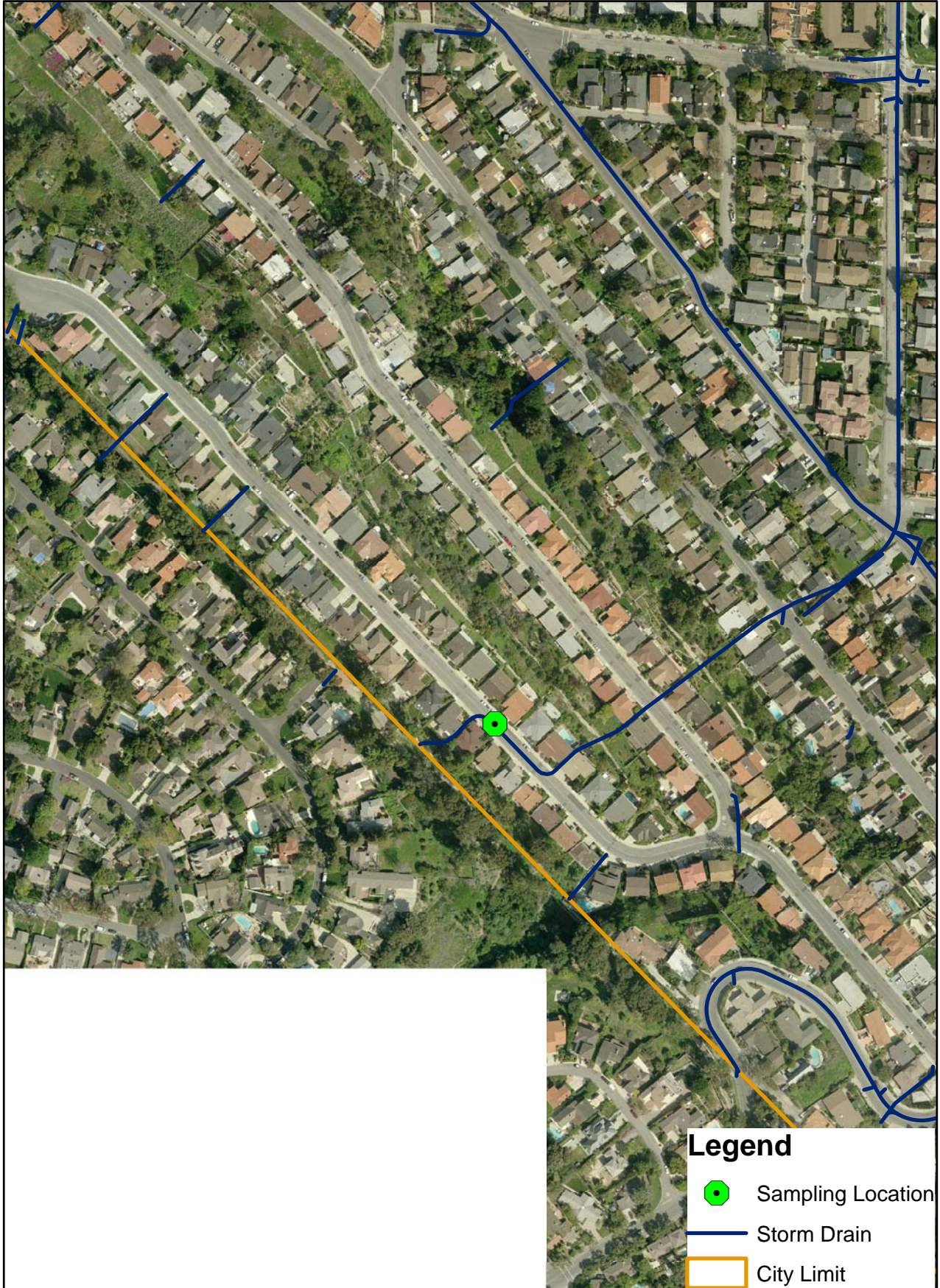
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Stormwater Sampling Location - Tor-S7



Stormwater Sampling Location - Tor-S8



Stormwater Sampling Location - Tor-S9



APPENDIX B

Field Data Sheet

APPENDIX C

Chain of Custody

GENERAL CHAIN-OF-CUSTODY FORM

| | | | | |
|---|----------|---|------------------------------------|--|
| EVIDENCE/PROPERTY CUSTODY | | Tracking Number | | |
| | | Investigation ID Number | | |
| NAME OF RECIPIENT FACILITY | | LOCATION | | |
| NAME, TITLE AND CONTACT NUMBER OF PERSON FROM WHOM RECEIVED | | ADDRESS | | |
| LOCATION FROM WHERE OBTAINED | | REASON OBTAINED | DATE/TIME OBTAINED | |
| ITEM NO | QUANTITY | DESCRIPTION OF ARTICLES (Include model, serial number, condition and unusual marks or scratches) | | (Include model, serial number, condition and unusual marks or scratches) |
| | | | | |
| CHAIN OF CUSTODY | | | | |
| ITEM NO. | DATE | RELEASES BY | RECEIVED BY | PURPOSE OF CHANGE OF CUSTODY |
| | | SIGNATURE | SIGNATURE | |
| | | PRINTED NAME & CONTACT INFORMATION | PRINTED NAME & CONTACT INFORMATION | |
| | | SIGNATURE | SIGNATURE | |
| | | PRINTED NAME & CONTACT INFORMATION | PRINTED NAME & CONTACT INFORMATION | |
| | | SIGNATURE | SIGNATURE | |

Chain-of-Custody (continued)

| ITEM NO. | DATE | RELEASES BY | RECEIVED BY | PURPOSE OF CHANGE OF CUSTODY |
|---|------|------------------------------------|------------------------------------|------------------------------|
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| | | SIGNATURE | SIGNATURE | |
| FINAL DISPOSAL ACTION | | | | |
| RELEASE TO OWNER OR OTHER (NAME/ORGANIZATION) | | | | |
| DESTROY | | | | |
| OTHER (Specify) | | | | |
| FINAL DISPOSAL AUTHORITY | | | | |
| ON THIS DOCUMENT PERTAINING TO THE INQUIRY/INVESTIGATION INVOLVING; | | | | |
| ITEM(S) (IS)(ARE) NO LONGER REQUIRED AS EVIDENCE AND MAY BE DOSPOSED AS INDICATED ABOVE. <i>If articles must be retained do not sign, but explain in separate correspondence.</i> | | | | |
| (Typed or Printed Name & Organization) | | (Signature) | | (Date) |
| WITNESS TO DESTRUCTION EVIDENCE | | | | |
| THE ARTICLES LISTED AT ITEM NUMBERS (WAS)(WERE) DESTROYED BY THE EVIDENCE CUSTODIAN IN MY PRESENCE, ON THE DATE INDICATED ABOVE | | | | |
| (Typed or Printed Name & Organization) | | (Signature) | | (pole) |

Appendix C
Monitoring Location Fact Sheets


Beach Cities CIMP Appendix C

Monitoring Location Fact Sheets


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Receiving Water Monitoring Sites

Summary Sheet for RW-BCEG-1


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|---|--|
| Site ID: RW-BCEG-1 | Monitoring Type: Receiving Water |
| Latitude: 33.892541 | Watershed: Santa Monica Bay |
| Longitude: -118.421732 | Nearest Street Address: 28th Street at Ocean Drive, Manhattan Beach, CA 90266 |
| Thomas Guide Grid: pg 732 E5 | |
| Site Description: RW-BCEG-1 is located offshore from outfall OF-BCEG-1 in the jurisdiction of the City of Manhattan Beach. Sampling would occur by boat based on plume or initial dilution characteristics and the safety determination of the Boat Captain. | |
| Site Location: See CIMP Figure 6 | |
| Site View: | |
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Summary Sheet for RW-BCEG-2


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|--|--|
| Site ID: RW-BCEG-2 | Monitoring Type: Receiving Water |
| Latitude: 33.851637 | Watershed: Santa Monica Bay |
| Longitude: -118.402488 | Nearest Street Address: 4 The Strand, Hermosa Beach, CA 90254 |
| Thomas Guide Grid: pg 762 G4 | |
| Site Description: RW-BCEG-2 is located offshore from Herondo Street in Hermosa Beach. This location is near the group shoreline center point. Sampling would occur by boat based on plume or initial dilution characteristics and the safety determination of the Boat Captain. | |
| Site Location: See CIMP Figure 6 | |
| Site View:  | |

Outfall Monitoring Sites


Summary Sheet for OF-BCEG-1

| | | | | | | |
|---|----------------------------|---|--|----------------|---|----------------|
| Site ID: OF-BCEG-1 | | Monitoring Type: Rotating Stormwater Outfall | | | | |
| Latitude: 33.89430 | | Watershed: Santa Monica Bay | | | | |
| Longitude: -118.41664 | | Represented Area: City of Manhattan Beach | | | | |
| Thomas Guide Grid: pg 732 E5 | | Drainage System: 28 th Street Drain | | | | |
| Outfall Shape: Round | | HUC-12: Manhattan Beach – Frontal Santa Monica Bay (180701040500) | | | | |
| Outfall Type: Manhole | | Nearest Street Address: 2702 Ocean Drive, Manhattan Beach, CA 90266 | | | | |
| | OF-BCEG-1 Catchment | | Manhattan Beach Portion of SMB MB HUC-12 area | | Beach Cities WMG Portion of SMB MB HUC-12 area | |
| | Acres | Percent | Acres | Percent | Acres | Percent |
| <i>Land Use Category</i> | | | | | | |
| Agricultural | 0 | 0% | 0 | 0% | 53.44 | 0.70% |
| Commercial | 129.37 | 8.44% | 207.63 | 9.98% | 791.58 | 10.36% |
| Education | 91.83 | 5.99% | 120.53 | 5.80% | 403.11 | 5.28% |
| Industrial | 12.63 | 0.82% | 12.77 | 0.61% | 150.34 | 1.97% |
| Multi-Family Residential | 100.83 | 6.58% | 208.19 | 10.01% | 1408.86 | 18.44% |
| Open Space | 68.90 | 4.49% | 107.72 | 5.18% | 375.10 | 4.91% |
| Single Family Residential | 1129.54 | 73.68% | 1423 | 68.42% | 4456.40 | 58.34% |
| Total | 1533.1 | 100% | 2079.79 | 100% | 7638.83 | 100% |
| <i>Municipal Jurisdiction</i> | | | | | | |
| Hermosa Beach | 0 | 0% | 0 | 0% | 848.37 | 11.11% |
| Manhattan Beach | 1533.00 | 99.99% | 2079.8 | 100% | 2079.79 | 27.23% |
| Redondo Beach | 0.10 | 0.01% | 0 | 0% | 2599.58 | 34.03% |
| Torrance | 0 | 0% | 0 | 0% | 2111.09 | 27.64% |
| Total | 1533.10 | 100% | 2079.8 | 100% | 7638.83 | 100% |
| Site Description: OF-BCEG-1 is a manhole located on a one-lane, one way street in a residential area just above the beach. There are two LFD's within the 28th Storm Drain System. The outfall manhole would normally be accessible without the risk of being blocked by a parked vehicle. Although traffic appears generally light, traffic controls should be placed at the street entrance to redirect through traffic from entering the street. Resident traffic would generally be impacted for less than ten minutes, while grab samples are collected. If parking is available near the access, delays may be avoided entirely. | | | | | | |
| Site Location: See CIMP Figure 9 | | | | | | |
| Site View: | | | | | | |
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Summary Sheet for OF-BCEG-2

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|---|----------------------------|---|--|----------------|---|----------------|
| Site ID: OF-BCEG-2 | | Monitoring Type: Rotating Stormwater Outfall | | | | |
| Latitude: 33.86234 | | Watershed: Santa Monica Bay | | | | |
| Longitude: -118.40013 | | Represented Area: City of Hermosa Beach | | | | |
| Thomas Guide Grid: pg 762 G2 | | Drainage System: Hermosa Beach Pier | | | | |
| Outfall Shape: Round | | HUC-12: Manhattan Beach – Frontal Santa Monica Bay (180701040500) | | | | |
| Outfall Type: Manhole | | Nearest Street Address: 81 Pier Avenue, Hermosa Beach, CA 90254 | | | | |
| | OF-BCEG-2 Catchment | | Hermosa Beach Portion of SMB MB HUC-12 area | | Beach Cities WMG Portion of SMB MB HUC-12 area | |
| | Acres | Percent | Acres | Percent | Acres | Percent |
| <i>Land Use Category</i> | | | | | | |
| Agricultural | 0 | 0% | 0 | 0% | 53.44 | 0.70% |
| Commercial | 95.8 | 22.33% | 129.92 | 15.31% | 791.58 | 10.36% |
| Education | 10.62 | 2.48% | 16.27 | 1.92% | 403.11 | 5.28% |
| Industrial | 1.7 | 0.40% | 13.3 | 1.57% | 150.34 | 1.97% |
| Multi-Family Residential | 123.09 | 28.69% | 254.05 | 29.95% | 1408.86 | 18.44% |
| Open Space | 24.18 | 5.64% | 51.39 | 6.06% | 375.10 | 4.91% |
| Single Family Residential | 173.57 | 40.46% | 383.44 | 45.20% | 4456.40 | 58.34% |
| Total | 428.96 | 100% | 848.37 | 100% | 7638.83 | 100% |
| <i>Municipal Jurisdiction</i> | | | | | | |
| Hermosa Beach | 415.52 | 96.87% | 848.37 | 100% | 848.37 | 11.11% |
| Manhattan Beach | 13.44 | 3.13% | 0 | 0% | 2079.79 | 27.23% |
| Redondo Beach | 0 | 0% | 0 | 0% | 2599.58 | 34.03% |
| Torrance | 0 | 0% | 0 | 0% | 2111.09 | 27.64% |
| Total | 428.96 | 100% | 848.37 | 100% | 7638.83 | 100% |
| Site Description: OF-BCEG-2 is located in the number 1 lane of West bound Pier Avenue approximately 10' from the intersection limit line and across from Pier Plaza in Hermosa Beach. Due to the location and heavy traffic, a land closure would likely be necessary at this location. While through traffic on to the plaza is prohibited, left turning traffic would be constrained to the left turn pocket. The Hermosa Strand Infiltration Trench diverts both dry- and wet-weather flows from the Pier Avenue storm drain. | | | | | | |
| Site Location: See CIMP Figure 10 | | | | | | |
| Site View: | | | | | | |
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Summary Sheet for OF-BCEG-3

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|---|----------------------------|--|--|----------------|---|----------------|
| Site ID: OF-BCEG-3 | | Monitoring Type: Rotating Stormwater Outfall | | | | |
| Latitude: 33.859274 | | Watershed: Santa Monica Bay | | | | |
| Longitude: -118.372841 | | Represented Area: City of Redondo Beach | | | | |
| Thomas Guide Grid: pg 763 A2 | | Drainage System: Rindge Lane branch of Herondo Drain | | | | |
| Outfall Shape: Unknown | | HUC-12: Manhattan Beach – Frontal Santa Monica Bay (180701040500) | | | | |
| Outfall Type: Manhole | | Nearest Street Address: 552 Rindge, Redondo Beach, CA 90273 | | | | |
| | OF-BCEG-3 Catchment | | Redondo Beach Portion of SMB MB HUC-12 area | | Beach Cities WMG Portion of SMB MB HUC-12 area | |
| | Acres | Percent | Acres | Percent | Acres | Percent |
| <i>Land Use Category</i> | | | | | | |
| Agricultural | 0 | 0% | 25.34 | 0.97% | 53.44 | 0.70% |
| Commercial | 45.09 | 7.98% | 310.96 | 11.96% | 791.58 | 10.36% |
| Education | 7.69 | 1.36% | 150.19 | 5.78% | 403.11 | 5.28% |
| Industrial | 2.56 | 0.45% | 99.04 | 3.81% | 150.34 | 1.97% |
| Multi-Family Residential | 231.42 | 40.95% | 712.54 | 27.41% | 1408.86 | 18.44% |
| Open Space | 1.82 | 0.32% | 106.77 | 4.11% | 375.10 | 4.91% |
| Single Family Residential | 276.59 | 48.94% | 1194.7 | 45.96% | 4456.40 | 58.34% |
| Total | 565.17 | 100.00% | 2599.6 | 100% | 7638.83 | 100% |
| <i>Municipal Jurisdiction</i> | | | | | | |
| Hermosa Beach | 8.07 | 1.43% | 0 | 0% | 848.37 | 11.11% |
| Manhattan Beach | 51.76 | 9.16% | 0 | 0% | 2079.79 | 27.23% |
| Redondo Beach | 505.34 | 89.41% | 2599.6 | 100% | 2599.58 | 34.03% |
| Torrance | 0 | 0% | 0 | 0% | 2111.09 | 27.64% |
| Total | 565.17 | 100% | 2599.6 | 100% | 7638.83 | 100% |
| Site Description: Consists of single lane two direction residential street with moderate traffic. Storm drain is very deep in this area and sample collection maybe difficult. Further investigation is warranted and should anticipate needing a permit and potentially traffic controls. | | | | | | |
| Site Location: See CIMP Figure 11 | | | | | | |
| Site View: | | | | | | |
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| (Ref: Google Maps) | | | | | | |

Summary Sheet for OF-BCEG-4


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|---|----------------------------|--|---|----------------|---|----------------|
| Site ID: OF-BCEG-4 | | Monitoring Type: Rotating Stormwater Outfall | | | | |
| Latitude: 33.858186 | | Watershed: Santa Monica Bay | | | | |
| Longitude: -118.37595 | | Represented Area: City of Torrance | | | | |
| Thomas Guide Grid: pg 763 A3 | | Drainage System: Herondo | | | | |
| Outfall Shape: Round | | HUC-12: Manhattan Beach – Frontal Santa Monica Bay (180701040500) | | | | |
| Outfall Type: Manhole | | Nearest Street Address: 190 th St and N. Beryl St. | | | | |
| | OF-BCEG-4 Catchment | | Torrance Portion of SMB MB HUC-12 area | | Beach Cities WMG Portion of SMB MB HUC-12 area | |
| | Acres | Percent | Acres | Percent | Acres | Percent |
| <i>Land Use Category</i> | | | | | | |
| Agricultural | 28.1 | 1.12% | 28.1 | 1.33% | 53.44 | 0.70% |
| Commercial | 309.38 | 12.36% | 143.07 | 6.78% | 791.58 | 10.36% |
| Education | 133.66 | 5.34% | 116.12 | 5.50% | 403.11 | 5.28% |
| Industrial | 116.2 | 4.64% | 25.23 | 1.20% | 150.34 | 1.97% |
| Multi-Family Residential | 512.57 | 20.48% | 234.08 | 11.09% | 1408.86 | 18.44% |
| Open Space | 136.5 | 5.46% | 109.22 | 5.17% | 375.10 | 4.91% |
| Single Family Residential | 1266.3 | 50.60% | 1455.3 | 68.93% | 4456.40 | 58.34% |
| Total | 2502.71 | 100% | 2111.1 | 100% | 7638.83 | 100% |
| <i>Municipal Jurisdiction</i> | | | | | | |
| Hermosa Beach | 8.07 | 0.32% | 0 | 0% | 848.37 | 11.11% |
| Manhattan Beach | 51.76 | 2.06% | 0 | 0% | 2079.79 | 27.23% |
| Redondo Beach | 865.55 | 34.52% | 0 | 0% | 2599.58 | 34.03% |
| Torrance | 1582.3 | 63.10% | 2111.1 | 100% | 2111.09 | 27.64% |
| Total | 2507.68 | 100% | 2111.1 | 100% | 7638.83 | 100% |
| Site Description: OF-BCEG-4 is located in Torrance at the southeast corner of the intersection of 190th Street and Beryl Street. It may require traffic controls due to its location. | | | | | | |
| Site Location: See CIMP Figure 12 | | | | | | |
| Site View: | | | | | | |
|  | | | | | | |
| (Ref: Google Earth) | | | | | | |

Summary Sheet for OF-BCEG-5


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|---|----------------------------|--|--|----------------|---|----------------|
| Site ID: OF-BCEG-5 | | Monitoring Type: Rotating Stormwater Outfall | | | | |
| Latitude: 33.894574 | | Watershed: Santa Monica Bay | | | | |
| Longitude: -118.378438 | | Represented Area: City of Manhattan Beach | | | | |
| Thomas Guide Grid: pg ⁷³² J5 | | Drainage System: Marine | | | | |
| Outfall Shape: Round | | HUC-12: Lower Dominguez Channel (180701060102) | | | | |
| Outfall Type: Manhole | | Nearest Street Address: 1856 Marine Avenue, Manhattan Beach, CA 90266 | | | | |
| | OF-BCEG-5 Catchment | | Manhattan Beach Portion of Lower DC HUC-12 area | | Beach Cities WMG Portion of Lower DC HUC-12 area | |
| | Acres | Percent | Acres | Percent | Acres | Percent |
| <i>Land Use Category</i> | | | | | | |
| Agricultural | 0 | 0% | 0 | 0% | 106.13 | 1.42% |
| Commercial | 121.9 | 33.40% | 111.43 | 30.16% | 1252.65 | 16.73% |
| Education | 0 | 0% | 0 | 0% | 259.25 | 3.46% |
| Industrial | 72.31 | 19.81% | 77.45 | 20.96% | 2012.17 | 26.88% |
| Multi-Family Residential | 51.25 | 14.04% | 51.25 | 13.87% | 905.69 | 12.10% |
| Open Space | 59.58 | 16.33% | 56.89 | 15.40% | 439.53 | 5.87% |
| Single Family Residential | 59.91 | 16.42% | 72.45 | 19.61% | 2392.15 | 31.95% |
| Transportation | 0 | 0% | 0 | 0% | 118.77 | 1.59% |
| Total | 364.95 | 100% | 369.47 | 100% | 7486.34 | 100% |
| <i>Municipal Jurisdiction</i> | | | | | | |
| Hermosa Beach | 0 | 0% | 0 | 0% | 0 | 0% |
| Manhattan Beach | 325.2 | 89.11% | 369.47 | 100% | 362.95 | 4.89% |
| Redondo Beach | 1.24 | 0.34% | 0 | 0% | 1251.83 | 16.85% |
| Torrance | 0 | 0% | 0 | 0% | 5812.65 | 78.26% |
| El Segundo ¹ | 38.51 | 10.55% | 0 | 0% | 0 | 0% |
| Total | 364.95 | 100% | 369.47 | 100% | 7427.43 | 100% |
| Site Description: OF-BCEG-5 is located in Manhattan Beach at the intersection of Aviation Boulevard and Marine Avenue. It is in the east bound number one lane of Marine Avenue, 15' beyond the crosswalk. | | | | | | |
| Site Location: See CIMP Figure 9 | | | | | | |
| Site View: | | | | | | |
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¹ El Segundo not part of Beach Cities WMG

Summary Sheet for OF-BCEG-6

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|--|----------------------------|--|--|----------------|---|----------------|
| Site ID: OF-BCEG-6 | | Monitoring Type: Rotating Stormwater Outfall | | | | |
| Latitude: 33.887345 | | Watershed: Santa Monica Bay | | | | |
| Longitude: -118.360899 | | Represented Area: City of Redondo Beach | | | | |
| Thomas Guide Grid: pg 733 C6 | | Drainage System: BI 569 | | | | |
| Outfall Shape: Round | | HUC-12: Lower Dominguez Channel (180701060102) | | | | |
| Outfall Type: Manhole | | Nearest Street Address: 15808 Inglewood Avenue, Lawndale, CA 90260 | | | | |
| | OF-BCEG-6 Catchment | | Redondo Beach Portion of Lower DC HUC-12 area | | Beach Cities WMG Portion of Lower DC HUC-12 area | |
| | Acres | Percent | Acres | Percent | Acres | Percent |
| <i>Land Use Category</i> | | | | | | |
| Agricultural | 6.03 | 0.77% | 11.34 | 0.90% | 106.13 | 1.42% |
| Commercial | 51.08 | 6.55% | 226 | 17.96% | 1252.65 | 16.73% |
| Education | 15.65 | 2.01% | 15.69 | 1.25% | 259.25 | 3.46% |
| Industrial | 0.65 | 0.08% | 199.46 | 15.85% | 2012.17 | 26.88% |
| Multi-Family Residential | 419.9 | 53.87% | 463.49 | 36.83% | 905.69 | 12.10% |
| Open Space | 39.61 | 5.08% | 59.63 | 4.74% | 439.53 | 5.87% |
| Single Family Residential | 246.58 | 31.63% | 260.76 | 20.72% | 2392.15 | 31.95% |
| Transportation | 0 | 0% | 22.21 | 1.76% | 118.77 | 1.59% |
| Total | 779.5 | 100% | 1258.6 | 100% | 7486.34 | 100% |
| <i>Municipal Jurisdiction</i> | | | | | | |
| Hermosa Beach | 0 | 0% | 0 | 0% | 0 | 0% |
| Manhattan Beach | 7.59 | 0.97% | 0 | 0% | 362.95 | 4.89% |
| Redondo Beach | 771.91 | 99.03% | 1258.6 | 100% | 1251.83 | 16.85% |
| Torrance | 0 | 0% | 0 | 0% | 5812.65 | 78.26% |
| Total | 779.5 | 100% | 1258.6 | 100% | 7427.43 | 100% |
| Site Description: OF-BCEG-6 is located 40' east of the intersection of Manhattan Beach Boulevard and Inglewood Avenue in the east bound number one lane of Manhattan Beach Boulevard. Traffic controls will be required for OF-BCEG-6 due to its location and traffic load. | | | | | | |
| Site Location: See CIMP Figure 11 | | | | | | |
| Site View: | | | | | | |
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Summary Sheet for OF-BCEG-7

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|--|----------------------------|--|---|----------------|---|----------------|
| Site ID: OF-BCEG-7 | | Monitoring Type: Fixed Stormwater Outfall | | | | |
| Latitude: 33.83722 | | Watershed: Santa Monica Bay | | | | |
| Longitude: -118.30879 | | Represented Area: City of Torrance | | | | |
| Thomas Guide Grid: pg763 J5 | | Drainage System: Torrance Carson Lateral | | | | |
| Outfall Shape: Channel | | HUC-12: Lower Dominguez Channel (180701060102) | | | | |
| Outfall Type: Reinforced Concrete Channel | | Nearest Street Address: 21176 S. Western Avenue, Torrance, CA, 90501 | | | | |
| | OF-BCEG-7 Catchment | | Torrance Portion of Lower DC HUC-12 area | | Beach Cities WMG Portion of Lower DC HUC-12 area | |
| | Acres | Percent | Acres | Percent | Acres | Percent |
| <i>Land Use Category</i> | | | | | | |
| Agricultural | 20.22 | 0.61% | 94.79 | 1.63% | 106.13 | 1.42% |
| Commercial | 514.41 | 15.52% | 885.65 | 15.22% | 1252.65 | 16.73% |
| Education | 109.69 | 3.31% | 243.56 | 4.19% | 259.25 | 3.46% |
| Industrial | 1576.1 | 47.56% | 1729.2 | 29.71% | 2012.17 | 26.88% |
| Multi-Family Residential | 114.37 | 3.45% | 391.35 | 6.72% | 905.69 | 12.10% |
| Open Space | 252.55 | 7.62% | 320.16 | 5.50% | 439.53 | 5.87% |
| Single Family Residential | 710.21 | 21.43% | 2058.5 | 35.37% | 2392.15 | 31.95% |
| Transportation | 16.51 | 0.50% | 96.56 | 1.66% | 118.77 | 1.59% |
| Total | 3314.1 | 100% | 5819.8 | 100% | 7486.34 | 100% |
| <i>Municipal Jurisdiction</i> | | | | | | |
| Hermosa Beach | 0 | 0% | 0 | 0% | 0 | 0% |
| Manhattan Beach | 0 | 0% | 0 | 0% | 362.95 | 4.89% |
| Redondo Beach | 0 | 0% | 0 | 0% | 1251.83 | 16.85% |
| Torrance | 3314.1 | 100% | 5819.8 | 100% | 5812.65 | 78.26% |
| Total | 3314.1 | 100% | 5819.8 | 100% | 7427.43 | 100% |
| Site Description: OF-BCEG-7 is located at the Torrance Lateral headwaters at the intersection of S. Western Avenue and 212th Street. Access to the channel may require an encroachment permit from the Los Angeles County Department of Public Works (LACDPW) or Flood Control District (LACFCD). | | | | | | |
| Site Location: See CIMP Figure 12 | | | | | | |
| Site View: | | | | | | |
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Appendix D
Analytical and Monitoring Procedures

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D.1 Analytical Procedures

The following sections discuss field and laboratory analytical procedures and data generation.

D.1.1 Field Parameters

Field meter will be calibrated in accordance to **Section D.2.1.3**. Portable field meters will measure field parameters within the specifications outlined in **Table D-1**.

Table D-1 Analytical Methods and Project Reporting Limits for Field Parameters

| Parameter | Method | Range | Project RL |
|------------------|---------------------------|------------------|--------------|
| Current velocity | Electromagnetic | -0.5 to +20 ft/s | 0.05 ft/s |
| pH | Electrometric | 0 – 14 pH units | NA |
| Temperature | High stability thermistor | -5 – 50 oC | NA |
| Dissolved oxygen | Membrane | 0 – 50 mg/L | 0.5 mg/L |
| Turbidity | Nephelometric | 0 – 3000 NTU | 0.2 NTU |
| Conductivity | Graphite electrodes | 0 – 10 mmhos/cm | 2.5 umhos/cm |

RL – Reporting Limit NA – Not applicable

D.1.2 Analytical Methods and Method Detection and Reporting Limits

The Method Detection Limit (MDL) is the minimum analyte concentration that can be measured and reported with a 99% confidence that the concentration is greater than zero. The Reporting Limit (RL) represents the concentration of an analyte that can be routinely measured in the sampled matrix within stated limits and with confidence in both identification and quantitation.

Under this monitoring program, RLs must be verifiable by having the lowest non-zero calibration standard or calibration check sample concentration at or less than the RL. RLs have been established in this CIMP based on the verifiable levels and general measurement capabilities demonstrated for each method. These RLs should be considered as maximum allowable RLs to be used for laboratory data reporting. Note that samples diluted for analysis may have sample-specific RLs that exceed these RLs. This will be unavoidable on occasion. However, if samples are consistently diluted to overcome matrix interferences, the analytical laboratory will be required to notify the Beach Cities WMG regarding how the sample preparation or test procedure in question will be modified to reduce matrix interferences so that project RLs can be met consistently. Non-promulgated methods are subject to additional analytical challenges.

Analytical methods and laboratory RLs are summarized in **Table D-2** and **Table D-3** for analysis in water, sediment, and tissue, respectively. For organic constituents, environmentally relevant detection limits will be used to the extent practicable. The RLs listed in **Table D-2** are consistent with the requirements of the available minimum levels provided in the MRP, except for total dissolved solids, which was set equal to the minimum level identified in the California State Water Resources Control Board's Surface Water Ambient Monitoring Program's (SWAMP) Quality Assurance Project Plan. Alternative methods with RLs that are at or below those in

Table D-2, and **Table D-3** are equivalent and can be used in place of the methods on **Table D-2** and **Table D-3**.

Prior to the analysis of any environmental samples, the laboratory must have demonstrated the ability to meet the minimum performance requirements for each analytical method presented in **Table D-2**. The initial demonstration of capability includes the ability to meet the project RLs, the ability to generate acceptable precision and accuracy, and other analytical and quality control parameters documented in this CIMP. Data quality objectives for precision and accuracy are summarized in **Table D-4**.

Table D-2 Analytical Methods and Project Reporting Limits (RL) for Laboratory Analysis of Water Samples

| Parameter/Constituent | Method ⁽¹⁾ | Units | Project RL | MRP Table E-2 ML |
|--|---|-----------|------------|------------------|
| Toxicity | | | | |
| <i>Pimephales promelas</i> | EPA-821-R-02-013 (1000.0) and EPA-821-R-02-012 (2000.0) | NA | NA | NA |
| <i>Ceriodaphnia dubia</i> | EPA-821-R-02-013 (1002.0) and 821-R-02-012 (2002.0) | NA | NA | NA |
| <i>Selenastrum capricornutum</i> | EPA-821-R-02-013 (1003.0) | NA | NA | NA |
| <i>Strongylocentrotus purpuratus</i> | EPA-600-R-95-136 (1002.0) | NA | NA | NA |
| <i>Haliotis rufescens</i> | EPA-600-R-95-136 | NA | NA | NA |
| Bacteria | | | | |
| Total coliform (marine waters) | SM 9221 | MPN/100mL | 10 | 10,000 |
| Enterococcus (marine waters) | SM 9230 | MPN/100mL | 10 | 104 |
| Fecal coliform (marine and fresh waters) | SM 9221 | MPN/100mL | 10 | 400 |
| <i>E. coli</i> (fresh) | SM 9221 | MPN/100mL | 10 | 235 |
| Conventional Pollutants | | | | |
| Oil and Grease | EPA 1664A | mg/L | 5 | 5 |
| Cyanide | SM 4500-CN E | mg/L | 0.005 | 0.005 |
| General | | | | |
| Specific Conductance | EPA 120.1 | µs/cm | 1 | 1 |
| Total Hardness | SM 2340C | mg/L | 2 | 2 |
| Dissolved Organic Carbon | SM 5310B | mg/L | 0.6 | NA |
| Total Organic Carbon | SM 5310B | mg/L | 1 | 1 |
| Total Petroleum Hydrocarbon | EPA 1664 | mg/L | 5 | 5 |
| Biochemical Oxygen Demand | SMOL-5210 | mg/L | 5 | 2 |
| Chemical Oxygen Demand | SM 5220D | mg/L | 20 | 20-900 |

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| Parameter/Constituent | Method ⁽¹⁾ | Units | Project RL | MRP Table E-2 ML |
|---|-----------------------|-------|------------|------------------|
| MBAS | SM 5540C | mg/L | 0.5 | 0.5 |
| Chloride | EPA 300.0 | mg/L | 1 | 2 |
| Fluoride | EPA 300.0 | mg/L | 0.1 | 0.1 |
| Perchlorate | EPA 314.0 | µg/L | 4 | 4 |
| Dissolved Phosphorus | SM 4500-P E | mg/L | 0.05 | 0.05 |
| Total Phosphorus | SM 4500-P E | mg/L | 0.05 | 0.05 |
| Orthophosphate-P | EPA 300.0 | mg/L | 0.2 | NA |
| Ammonia (as N) | SM 4500-NH3 C | mg/L | 0.1 | 0.1 |
| Nitrate + Nitrite (as N) | EPA 300.0 | mg/L | 0.1 | 0.1 |
| Nitrate (as N) | EPA 300.0 | mg/L | 0.1 | 0.1 |
| Nitrite (as N) | EPA 300.0 | mg/L | 0.1 | 0.1 |
| Total Kjehdahl Nitrogen (TKN) | SM 4500-NH3 C | mg/L | 0.1 | 0.1 |
| Total Alkalinity | SM 2320B | mg/L | 2 | 2 |
| Solids | | | | |
| Suspended Sediment Concentration (SSC) | ASTMD 3977-97 | mg/L | 3 | NA |
| Total Suspended Solids (TSS) | SM 2540D | mg/L | 2 | 2 |
| Total Dissolved Solids (TDS) | SM 2540C | mg/L | 10 | 2 |
| Volatile Suspended Solids | EPA 1684 | mg/L | 1 | 2 |
| Metals in Freshwater (dissolved and total) | | | | |
| Aluminum | EPA 200.8 | µg/L | 100 | 100 |
| Antimony | EPA 200.8 | µg/L | 0.5 | 0.5 |
| Arsenic | EPA 200.8 | µg/L | 1 | 1 |
| Beryllium | EPA 200.8 | µg/L | 0.5 | 0.5 |
| Cadmium | EPA 200.8 | µg/L | 0.25 | 0.25 |
| Chromium (total) | EPA 200.8 | µg/L | 0.5 | 0.5 |
| Chromium (Hexavalent) | EPA 200.8 | µg/L | 5 | 5 |
| Copper | EPA 200.8 | µg/L | 0.5 | 0.5 |
| Iron | EPA 200.8 | µg/L | 100 | 100 |
| Lead | EPA 200.8 | µg/L | 0.5 | 0.5 |
| Mercury | EPA 1631 | µg/L | 0.5 | 0.5 |
| Nickel | EPA 200.8 | µg/L | 1 | 1 |
| Selenium | EPA 200.8 | µg/L | 1 | 1 |
| Silver | EPA 200.8 | µg/L | 0.25 | 0.25 |
| Thallium | EPA 200.8 | µg/L | 1 | 1 |
| Zinc | EPA 200.8 | µg/L | 1 | 1 |
| Metals in Seawater (dissolved and total) | | | | |

Table D-2 Analytical Methods and Project Reporting Limits (RL) for Laboratory Analysis of Water Samples

| Parameter/Constituent | Method ⁽¹⁾ | Units | Project RL | MRP Table E-2 ML |
|---|-----------------------|-------|------------|------------------|
| Copper | EPA 1640 | µg/L | 1 | NA |
| Lead | EPA 1640 | µg/L | 1 | NA |
| Mercury | EPA 1631 | µg/L | 1 | NA |
| Nickel | EPA 1640 | µg/L | 1 | NA |
| Selenium | EPA 1640 | µg/L | 1 | NA |
| Silver | EPA 1640 | µg/L | 1 | NA |
| Zinc | EPA 1640 | µg/L | 1 | NA |
| <i>Organochlorine Pesticides</i> | | | | |
| Aldrin | EPA 608 | ng/L | 5 | 5 |
| alpha-BHC | EPA 608 | ng/L | 10 | 10 |
| beta-BHC | EPA 608 | ng/L | 5 | 5 |
| delta-BHC | EPA 608 | ng/L | 5 | 5 |
| gamma-BHC (Lindane) | EPA 608 | ng/L | 20 | 20 |
| Chlordane-alpha | EPA 608 | ng/L | 100 | 100 |
| Chlordane-gamma | EPA 608 | ng/L | 100 | 100 |
| Oxychlordane | EPA 608 | ng/L | 200 | NA |
| Cis-nonachlor | EPA 608 | ng/L | 200 | NA |
| Trans-nonachlor | EPA 608 | ng/L | 200 | NA |
| 2,4'-DDD | EPA 608 | ng/L | 2 | NA |
| 2,4'-DDE | EPA 608 | ng/L | 2 | NA |
| 2,4'-DDT | EPA 608 | ng/L | 2 | NA |
| 4,4'-DDD | EPA 608 | ng/L | 50 | 50 |
| 4,4'-DDE | EPA 608 | ng/L | 50 | 50 |
| 4,4'-DDT | EPA 608 | ng/L | 10 | 10 |
| Dieldrin | EPA 608 | ng/L | 10 | 10 |
| Endosulfan I | EPA 608 | ng/L | 20 | 20 |
| Endosulfan II | EPA 608 | ng/L | 10 | 10 |
| Endosulfan Sulfate | EPA 608 | ng/L | 50 | 50 |
| Endrin | EPA 608 | ng/L | 10 | 10 |
| Endrin Aldehyde | EPA 608 | ng/L | 10 | 10 |
| Heptachlor | EPA 608 | ng/L | 10 | 10 |
| Heptachlor Epoxide | EPA 608 | ng/L | 10 | 10 |
| Toxaphene | EPA 608 | ng/L | 500 | 500 |
| <i>PCBs</i> | | | | |
| Congeners (8, 18, 28, 31, 33, 37, 44, 49, 52, 56, 60, 66, 70, 74, 77, 81, 87, 95, 97, 99, 101, 105, 110, 114, 118, 119, 123, 126, 128, 132, | EPA 608 | ng/L | 2 | NA |

Table D-2 Analytical Methods and Project Reporting Limits (RL) for Laboratory Analysis of Water Samples

| Parameter/Constituent | Method ⁽¹⁾ | Units | Project RL | MRP Table E-2 ML |
|---|-----------------------|-------|------------|------------------|
| 138, 141, 149, 151, 153, 156, 157, 158, 167, 168, 169, 170, 174, 177, 180, 183, 187, 189, 194, 195, 201, 203, 206, and 209) | | | | |
| Aroclors (1016, 1221, 1232, 1242, 1248, 1254, 1260) | EPA 608 | ng/L | 500 | 500 |
| <i>Organophosphorus Pesticides</i> | | | | |
| Chlorpyrifos | EPA 614 | ng/L | 50 | 50 |
| Diazinon | EPA 614 | ng/L | 10 | 10 |
| Malathion | EPA 614 | ng/L | 1000 | 1000 |
| <i>Triazine</i> | | | | |
| Atrazine | EPA 530 | µg/L | 2 | 2 |
| Cyanazine | EPA 530 | µg/L | 2 | 2 |
| Prometryn | EPA 530 | µg/L | 2 | 2 |
| Simazine | EPA 530 | µg/L | 2 | 2 |
| <i>Herbicides</i> | | | | |
| 2,4-D | EPA 8151A | µg/L | 10 | 10 |
| Glyphosate | EPA 547 | µg/L | 5 | 5 |
| 2,4,5-TP-SILVEX | EPA 8151A | µg/L | 0.5 | 0.5 |
| <i>Semivolatile Organic Compounds (SVOCs)</i> | | | | |
| 1,2-Diphenylhydrazine | EPA 625 | µg/L | 1 | 1 |
| 2,4,6-Trichlorophenol | EPA 625 | µg/L | 10 | 10 |
| 2,4-Dichlorophenol | EPA 625 | µg/L | 1 | 1 |
| 2,4-Dimethylphenol | EPA 625 | µg/L | 2 | 2 |
| 2,4-Dinitrophenol | EPA 625 | µg/L | 5 | 5 |
| 2,4-Dinitrotoluene | EPA 625 | µg/L | 5 | 5 |
| 2,6-Dinitrotoluene | EPA 625 | µg/L | 5 | 5 |
| 2-Chloronaphthalene | EPA 625 | µg/L | 10 | 10 |
| 2-Chlorophenol | EPA 625 | µg/L | 2 | 2 |
| 2-Methyl-4,6-dinitrophenol | EPA 625 | µg/L | 5 | 5 |
| 2-Nitrophenol | EPA 625 | µg/L | 10 | 10 |
| 3,3'-Dichlorobenzidine | EPA 625 | µg/L | 5 | 5 |
| 4-Bromophenyl phenyl ether | EPA 625 | µg/L | 5 | 5 |
| 4-Chloro-3-methylphenol | EPA 625 | µg/L | 1 | 1 |
| 4-Chlorophenyl phenyl ether | EPA 625 | µg/L | 5 | 5 |
| 4-Nitrophenol | EPA 625 | µg/L | 5 | 5 |
| Acenaphthene | EPA 625 | µg/L | 1 | 1 |
| Acenaphthylene | EPA 625 | µg/L | 2 | 2 |

Table D-2 Analytical Methods and Project Reporting Limits (RL) for Laboratory Analysis of Water Samples

| Parameter/Constituent | Method ⁽¹⁾ | Units | Project RL | MRP Table E-2 ML |
|-----------------------------------|-----------------------|-------|------------|------------------|
| Anthracene | EPA 625 | µg/L | 2 | 2 |
| Benzidine | EPA 625 | µg/L | 5 | 5 |
| Benzo(a)anthracene | EPA 625 | µg/L | 5 | 5 |
| Benzo(a)pyrene | EPA 625 | µg/L | 2 | 2 |
| Benzo(b)fluoranthene | EPA 625 | µg/L | 10 | 10 |
| Benzo(g,h,i)perylene | EPA 625 | µg/L | 5 | 5 |
| Benzo(k)fluoranthene | EPA 625 | µg/L | 2 | 2 |
| Benzyl butyl phthalate | EPA 625 | µg/L | 10 | 10 |
| bis(2-Chloroethoxy) methane | EPA 625 | µg/L | 5 | 5 |
| bis(2-Chloroisopropyl) ether | EPA 625 | µg/L | 2 | 2 |
| bis(2-Chloroethyl) ether | EPA 625 | µg/L | 1 | 1 |
| bis(2-Ethylhexyl) phthalate | EPA 625 | µg/L | 5 | 5 |
| Chrysene | EPA 625 | µg/L | 5 | 5 |
| Dibenzo(a,h)anthracene | EPA 625 | µg/L | 0.1 | 0.1 |
| Diethyl phthalate | EPA 625 | µg/L | 2 | 2 |
| Dimethyl phthalate | EPA 625 | µg/L | 2 | 2 |
| Di-n-butylphthalate | EPA 625 | µg/L | 10 | 10 |
| Di-n-octylphthalate | EPA 625 | µg/L | 10 | 10 |
| Fluoranthene | EPA 625 | µg/L | 0.05 | 0.05 |
| Fluorene | EPA 625 | µg/L | 0.1 | 0.1 |
| Hexachlorobenzene | EPA 625 | µg/L | 1 | 1 |
| Hexachlorobutadiene | EPA 625 | µg/L | 1 | 1 |
| Hexachloro-cyclo pentadiene | EPA 625 | µg/L | 5 | 5 |
| Hexachloroethane | EPA 625 | µg/L | 1 | 1 |
| Indeno(1,2,3-cd)pyrene | EPA 625 | µg/L | 0.05 | 0.05 |
| Isophorone | EPA 625 | µg/L | 1 | 1 |
| Naphthalene | EPA 625 | µg/L | 0.2 | 0.2 |
| Nitrobenzene | EPA 625 | µg/L | 1 | 1 |
| N-Nitroso-dimethyl amine | EPA 625 | µg/L | 5 | 5 |
| N-Nitrosodiphenylamine | EPA 625 | µg/L | 1 | 1 |
| N-Nitroso-di-n-propyl amine | EPA 625 | µg/L | 5 | 5 |
| Pentachlorophenol | EPA 625 | µg/L | 2 | 2 |
| Phenanthrene | EPA 625 | µg/L | 0.05 | 0.05 |
| Total Phenols | EPA 625 | mg/L | 0.2 | 0.1 |
| Phenol | EPA 625 | µg/L | 1 | 1 |
| Pyrene | EPA 625 | µg/L | 0.05 | 0.05 |
| Volatile Organic Compounds | | | | |

Table D-2 Analytical Methods and Project Reporting Limits (RL) for Laboratory Analysis of Water Samples

| Parameter/Constituent | Method ⁽¹⁾ | Units | Project RL | MRP Table E-2 ML |
|--------------------------------|-----------------------|-------|------------|------------------|
| 1,2,4-Trichlorobenzene | EPA 625 | µg/L | 1 | 1 |
| 1,2-Dichlorobenzene | EPA 625 | µg/L | 1 | 1 |
| 1,3-Dichlorobenzene | EPA 625 | µg/L | 1 | 1 |
| 1,4-Dichlorobenzene | EPA 625 | µg/L | 1 | 1 |
| 2-Chloroethyl vinyl ether | EPA 625 | µg/L | 1 | 1 |
| Methyl tert-butyl ether (MTBE) | EPA 625 | µg/L | 1 | 1 |

Table D-3 Analytical Methods and Reporting Limits (RL) for Laboratory Analysis of Sediment

| Parameter/Constituent | Method ⁽¹⁾ | Units | Project RL |
|--|-----------------------|----------|------------|
| <i>Metals</i> | | | |
| Copper | EPA 6020 | µg/dry g | 0.05 |
| Lead | EPA 6020 | µg/dry g | 0.05 |
| Zinc | EPA 6020 | µg/dry g | 0.05 |
| RL – Reporting Limit NA – Not applicable Methods may be substituted by an equivalent method that is lower than or meets the project RL. | | | |

Table D-4 Data Quality Objectives

| Parameter | Accuracy ² | Precision ² | Recovery | Completeness |
|---------------------------------------|-----------------------|------------------------|-----------|--------------|
| Field Measurements | | | | |
| Water Velocity (for Flow calc.) | 2% | NA | NA | 90% |
| pH | + 0.2 pH units | + 0.5 pH units | NA | 90% |
| Temperature | + 0.5 °C | + 5% | NA | 90% |
| Dissolved Oxygen | + 0.5 mg/L | + 10% | NA | 90% |
| Turbidity | 10% | 10% | NA | 90% |
| Conductivity | 5% | 5% | NA | 90% |
| Laboratory Analyses – Water | | | | |
| Conventionals and Solids | 80 – 120% | 0 – 25% | 80 – 120% | 90% |
| Aquatic Toxicity ¹ | (1) | (2) | NA | 90% |
| Nutrients ³ | 80 – 120% | 0 – 25% | 90 – 110% | 90% |
| Metals ³ | 75 – 125% | 0 – 25% | 75 – 125% | 90% |
| Semi-Volatile Organics ³ | 50 – 150% | 0 – 25% | 50 – 150% | 90% |
| Volatile Organics ³ | 50 – 150% | 0 – 25% | 50 – 150% | 90% |
| Triazines ³ | 50 – 150% | 0 – 25% | 50 – 150% | 90% |
| Herbicides ³ | 50 – 150% | 0 – 25% | 50 – 150% | 90% |
| OC Pesticides ³ | 50 – 150% | 0 – 25% | 50 – 150% | 90% |
| PCB Congeners ³ | 50 – 150% | 0 – 25% | 50 – 150% | 90% |
| PCB Aroclors ³ | 50 – 150% | 0 – 25% | 50 – 150% | 90% |
| OP Pesticides ³ | 50 – 150% | 0 – 25% | 50 – 150% | 90% |
| Laboratory Analyses – Sediment | | | | |
| Metals ³ | 60 – 130% | 0 – 30% | 60 – 130% | 90% |

¹ Must meet all method performance criteria relative to the reference toxicant test.

² Must meet all method performance criteria relative to sample replicates.

³ See **Table D-2** and **Table D-3** for a list of individual constituents in each water and sediment matrices, respectively.

D.1.2.1 Method Detection Limit Studies

Any laboratory performing analyses under this program must routinely conduct MDL studies to document that the MDLs are less than or equal to the project-specified RLs. If any analytes have MDLs that do not meet the project RLs, the following steps must be taken:

- Perform a new MDL study using concentrations sufficient to prove analyte quantitation at concentrations less than or equal to the project-specified RLs per the procedure for the Determination of the Method Detection Limit presented in Revision 1.1, 40 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) 136, 1984.

- No samples may be analyzed until the issue has been resolved. MDL study results must be available for review during audits, data review, or as requested. Current MDL study results must be reported for review and inclusion in project files.

An MDL is developed from seven aliquots of a standard containing all analytes of interest spiked at five times the expected MDL. These aliquots are processed and analyzed in the same manner as environmental samples. The results are then used to calculate the MDL. If the calculated MDL is less than 0.33 times the spiked concentration, another MDL study should be performed using lower spiked concentrations.

D.1.2.2 Project Reporting Limits

Laboratories generally establish RLs that are reported with the analytical results—these may be called reporting limits, detection limits, reporting detection limits, or several other terms by the reporting laboratory. These laboratory limits must be less than or equal to the project RLs listed in **Table D-2**. Wherever possible, project RLs are lower than the relevant numeric criteria or toxicity thresholds. Laboratories performing analyses for this project must have documentation to support quantitation at the required levels.

D.1.2.3 Laboratory Standards and Reagents

All stock standards and reagents used for standard solutions and extractions must be tracked through the laboratory. The preparation and use of all working standards must be documented according to procedures outlined in each laboratory's Quality Assurance (QA) Manual; standards must be traceable according to USEPA, A2LA or National Institute for Standards and Technology (NIST) criteria. Records must have sufficient detail to allow determination of the identity, concentration, and viability of the standards, including any dilutions performed to obtain the working standard. Date of preparation, analyte or mixture, concentration, name of preparer, lot or cylinder number, and expiration date, if applicable, must be recorded on each working standard.

D.1.2.4 Sample Containers, Storage, Preservation, and Holding Times

Sample containers must be pre-cleaned and certified free of contamination according to the USEPA specification for the appropriate methods. Sample container, storage and preservation, and holding time requirements are provided in **Table D-5**. The analytical laboratories will supply sample containers that already contain preservative (**Table D-5**), including ultra-pure hydrochloric and nitric acid, where applicable. After collection, samples will be stored at 4°C until arrival at the contract laboratory.

Table D-5 Sample Container, Sample Volume, Initial Preservation, and Holding Time Requirements for Parameters Analyzed at a Laboratory

| Parameter | Sample Container | Sample Volume ¹ | Immediate Processing and Storage | Holding Time |
|--|------------------------------|----------------------------|--|------------------------|
| <i>Water</i> | | | | |
| Toxicity | | | | |
| Initial Screening | Glass or FLPE-lined jerrican | 40 L | Store at 4°C | 36 hours ² |
| Follow-Up Testing | | | | |
| Phase I TIE | | | | |
| Total coliform, fecal coliform, and Enterococcus (marine waters) | PE | 120 mL | Na ₂ S ₂ O ₃ Store at 4°C | 8 hours |
| Fecal coliform, <i>E. coli</i> (fresh waters) | PE | 120 mL | | |
| Oil and Grease | PE | 250 mL | HCl and Store at 4°C | 28 days |
| Cyanide | PE | 1 L | NaOH and Store at 4°C | 14 days |
| Dissolved Organic Carbon (DOC) | PE | 250 mL | Store at 4°C | Filter/28 days |
| Total Organic Carbon (TOC) | PE | 250 mL | H ₂ SO ₄ and Store at 4°C | 28 days |
| Total Petroleum Hydrocarbon | Glass | 1 L | HCl or H ₂ SO ₄ and Store at 4°C | 7/40 days ³ |
| Biochemical Oxygen Demand | PE | 1L | Store at 4°C | 48 hours |
| Chemical Oxygen Demand | PE | 500 mL | H ₂ SO ₄ and Store at 4°C | 28 days |
| MBAS | PE | 1 L | Store at 4°C | 48 hours |
| Fluoride | PE | 500 mL | None required | 28 days |
| Chloride | PE | 250 mL | Store at 4°C | 28 days |
| Perchlorate | PE | 500 mL | Store at 4°C | 28 days |
| Nitrate Nitrogen | PE | 250 mL | Store at 4°C | 48 hours |
| Nitrite Nitrogen | | | | |
| Orthophosphate-P | | | | |
| Ammonia Nitrogen | Glass | 250-mL | H ₂ SO ₄ Store at 4°C | 28 days |
| Total and Dissolved Phosphorus | | | | |
| Organic Nitrogen | | | | |
| Nitrate + Nitrite (as N) | | | | |
| Total Kjehdahl Nitrogen (TKN) | PE | 250 mL | H ₂ SO ₄ Store at 4°C | 28 days |
| Total Alkalinity | PE | 500 mL | Store at 4°C | 14 days |
| Suspended Sediment Concentration (SSC) | PE | 250 mL | Store at 4°C | 120 days |
| Total Suspended Solids (TSS) | PE | 250 mL | Store at 4°C | 7 days |
| Total Dissolved Solids (TDS) | PE | 250 mL | Store at 4°C | 7 days |

Table D-5 Sample Container, Sample Volume, Initial Preservation, and Holding Time Requirements for Parameters Analyzed at a Laboratory

| Parameter | Sample Container | Sample Volume ¹ | Immediate Processing and Storage | Holding Time |
|---|------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------------|------------------------|
| Volatile Suspended Solids | PE | 250 mL | Store at 4°C | 7 days |
| Hardness | PE | 500 mL | Store at 4°C | 180 days |
| Metals | | | | 6 months ⁴ |
| Mercury | Glass | 500 mL | Store at 4°C | 48 Hours |
| PCBs, OC Pesticides, OP Pesticides, Triazine Pesticides | Amber glass | 4 x 1 L | Store at 4°C | 7/40 days ³ |
| Suspended Solids Analysis for Organics and Metals | Amber glass | 20 x 1 L | Store at 4°C | 1 year ⁵ |
| Herbicides | Glass | 2 x 40 mL | Thiosulfate and Store at 4°C | 14 days |
| Semivolatile Organic Compounds | Glass | 2 x 1 L | Store at 4°C | 7 days |
| <i>Sediment</i> | | | | |
| Metals | Glass | 2 x 8 oz jar | Store at 4°C | 1 year ⁶ |

PE – Polyethylene

¹ Additional volume may be required for QC analyses.² Tests should be initiated within 36 hours of collection. The 36-hour hold time does not apply to subsequent analyses for TIEs. For interpretation of toxicity results, samples may be split from toxicity samples in the laboratory and analyzed for specific chemical parameters. All other sampling requirements for these samples are as specified in this document for the specific analytical method. Results of these analyses are not for any other use (e.g., characterization of ambient conditions) because of potential holding time exceedances and variance from sampling requirements. Sample volumes for follow-up testing and Phase I TIEs for sediments may change based on percent solids in previous samples. In addition, collection of sediment for follow-up testing and Phase I TIEs may change based on observations of toxicity in previous sampling events.³ 7/40 = 7 days to extract and 40 days from extraction to analysis.⁴ Six months after preservation.⁵ One year if frozen, otherwise 14 days to extract and 40 days from extraction to analysis.⁶ One year if frozen, otherwise 28 days.

D.1.3 Aquatic Toxicity Testing and Toxicity Identification Evaluations

The aquatic toxicity testing requirements outlined in the MS4 Permit are intended to determine whether water column toxicity is observed in targeted receiving waters and then assess which pollutant categories may potentially be causing the adverse aquatic effects. The results of aquatic toxicity testing are intended to guide future receiving and outfall water quality monitoring and contribute to the identification and control of toxicity causing pollutants in urban runoff through watershed control measures that may include: pollutant source controls, modified minimum control measures (MCMs) and Best Management Practices (BMPs). The following subsections outline the approach for conducting the Beach Cities WMG aquatic toxicity monitoring and evaluation. Control measures and management actions to address confirmed toxicity caused by urban runoff are addressed by the EWMP, either via currently identified management actions or those that are identified via adaptive management of the EWMP.

The approach to conducting aquatic toxicity monitoring is presented in **Figure D-1**, which describes a general evaluation process for each sample collected as part of routine sampling

conducted twice per year in wet weather and once per year in dry weather. Monitoring begins in the receiving water and the information gained is used to identify constituents for monitoring at outfalls to support the identification of pollutants that need to be addressed in the EWMP. The sub-sections below describe the detailed process and its technical and logistical rationale. Although not specified for testing at this time, the saltwater toxicity testing approach is also provided if such testing is initiated.

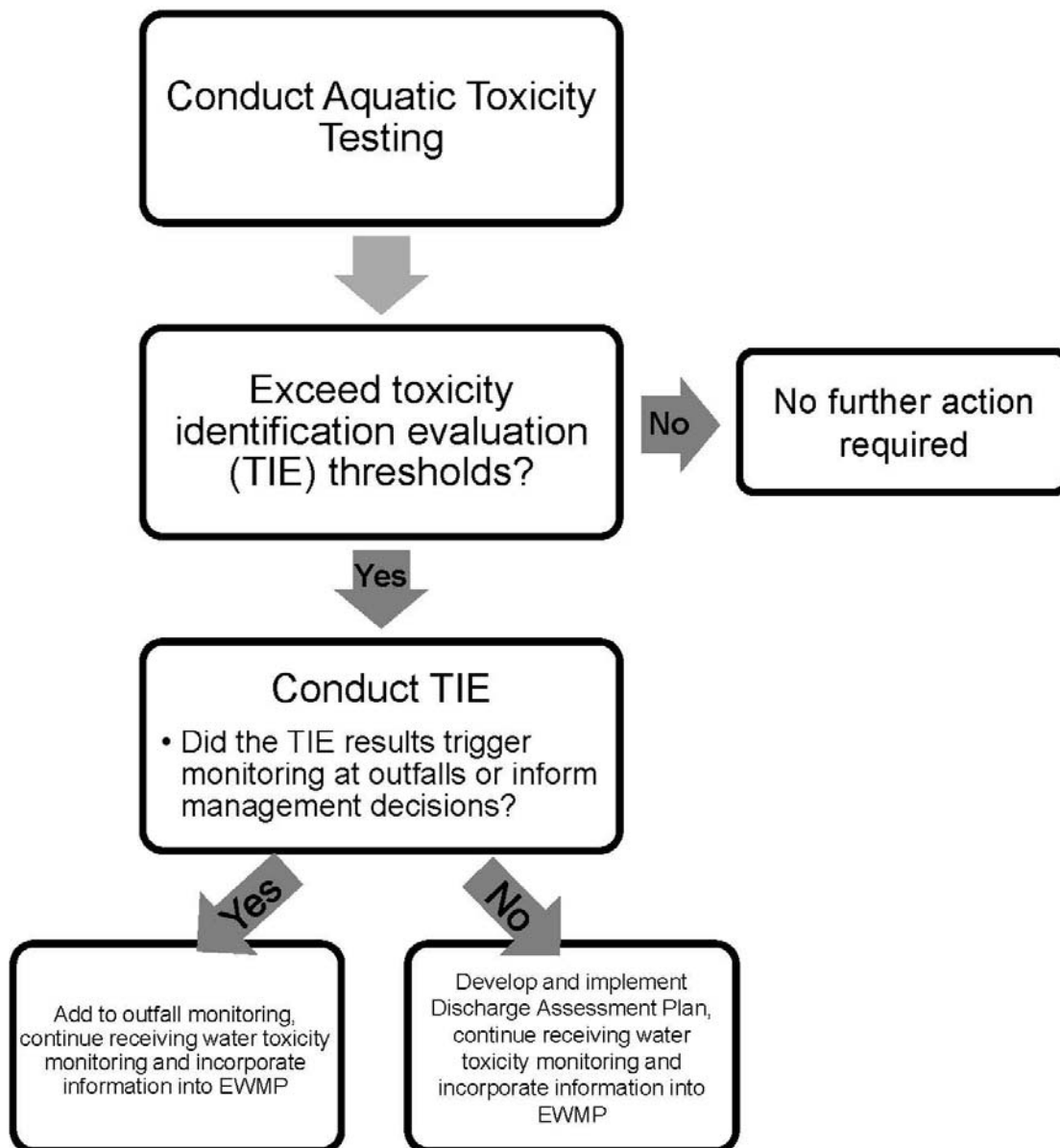


Figure D-1 Generalized Aquatic Toxicity Assessment Process

D.1.3.1 Sensitive Species Selection

The MRP (page E-32) states that a sensitivity screening to select the most sensitive test species should be conducted unless “a sensitive test species has already been determined, or if there is prior knowledge of potential toxicant(s) and a test species is sensitive to such toxicant(s), then monitoring shall be conducted using only that test species.” Previous relevant studies conducted in the watershed should be considered. Such studies may have been completed via previous MS4 sampling, wastewater NPDES sampling, or special studies conducted within the watershed. The following sub-sections discuss the species selection process for assessing aquatic toxicity in receiving waters.

D.1.3.1.1 Freshwater Sensitive Species Selection

As described in the MRP (page E-31), if samples are collected in receiving waters with salinity less than 1 part per thousand (ppt), or from outfalls discharging to receiving waters with salinity less than 1 ppt, toxicity tests should be conducted on the most sensitive test species in accordance with species and short-term test methods in Short-term Methods for Estimating the Chronic Toxicity of Effluents and Receiving Waters to Freshwater Organisms (EPA/821/R-02/013, 2002; Table IA, 40 CFR Part 136). Static renewal freshwater toxicity test species identified in the MRP are:

- Fathead minnow, *Pimephales promelas* (Larval Survival and Growth Test Method 1000.04).
- Daphnid, *Ceriodaphnia dubia* (Survival and Reproduction Test Method 1002.05).
- Green alga, *Selenastrum capricornutum* (*Raphidocelis subcapitata*) (Growth Test 1003.0).

Low salinity (fresh) receiving water toxicity testing data, from within the Beach Cities WMG area, were not identified during CIMP preparation. Toxicity data from the Dominguez Channel and other regional receiving waters, suggest that organophosphate pesticides, pyrethroids, and metals may contribute to aquatic toxicity. Assuming the potential presence of these toxicants in the WMG area, relative sensitivity to these pollutants was a primary consideration in selecting from among the three common test species.

Ceriodaphnia dubia (*C. dubia*) is often used locally and reported upon nationally, as a broad spectrum test species that is sensitive for historical and current use pesticides and metals, and studies indicate that it is more sensitive to the toxicants of concern than *Pimephales promelas* (*P. promelas*) or *Selenastrum capricornutum* (*S. capricornutum*). In *Aquatic Life Ambient Freshwater Quality Criteria - Copper*, the USEPA reports greater sensitivity of *C. dubia* to copper (species mean acute value of 5.93 µg/l) than for *P. promelas* (species mean acute value of 69.93 µg/l; EPA, 2007). *C. dubia*'s relative sensitivity to copper, extends to multiple metals. Additionally, researchers at the University of California (UC), Davis reviewed available reported species sensitivity values in developing pesticide criteria for the Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board. In developing pesticide criteria for the Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board, researchers at University of California at Davis, reported higher

sensitivity of *C. dubia* to diazinon and bifenthrin (species mean acute value of 0.34 µg/l and 0.105 µg/l) compared to *P. promelas* (species mean acute value of 7804 µg/l and 0.405 µg/l; Palumbo et al., 2010a,b). Additionally, in a stormwater study for the City of Stockton, urban stormwater runoff found acute and chronic toxicity to *C. dubia*, with no toxicity to *S. capricornutum* or *P. promelas* (Lee and Lee, 2001). The toxicity was attributed to organophosphate pesticides, indicating a higher sensitivity of *C. dubia* compared to *S. capricornutum* or *P. promelas*. While *P. promelas* is generally less sensitive to metals and pesticides, this species can be more sensitive to ammonia than *C. dubia*. However, as ammonia is not typically a constituent of concern for urban runoff and ammonia is not consistently observed above the toxic thresholds in the watershed, *P. promelas* is not considered a particularly sensitive species for evaluating the impacts of urban runoff in receiving waters in the watershed.

S. capricornutum is a species sensitive to herbicides; however, while sometimes present in urban runoff, herbicides are not identified as a potential toxicant in the watershed. Additionally, *S. capricornutum* is not considered the most sensitive species as it is not sensitive to pyrethroids or organophosphate pesticides and is not as sensitive to metals as *C. dubia*. Additionally, the *S. capricornutum* growth test can be affected by high concentrations of suspended and dissolved solids, color, and pH extremes, which can interfere with the determination of sample toxicity. As a result, it is common to manipulate the sample by centrifugation and filtration to remove solids in order to conduct the toxicity test; however, this process may affect the toxicity of the sample. In a study of urban highway stormwater runoff (Kayhanian et. al, 2008), *S. capricornutum* response to the stormwater samples was more variable than the *C. dubia* and the *P. promelas* and in some cases the algal growth was possibly enhanced due to the presence of stimulatory nutrients. Also, in a study on the City of Stockton urban stormwater runoff (Lee and Lee, 2001) the *S. capricornutum* tests rarely detected toxicity where the *C. dubia* and the *P. promelas* regularly detected toxicity.

Based on best professional judgment and local experience with the Permit identified fresh water species, *C. dubia* is most sensitive to the broadest range of potential toxicant(s) typically found in local fresh receiving waters impacted by urban runoff and will be selected for fresh water toxicity testing by the Beach Cities WMG. The species can be maintained laboratory cultures making them generally available year round. The simplicity of the test, the ease of interpreting results, and relatively small sample volume necessary to run the test, make the test a valuable screening tool. The ease of sample collection and higher sensitivity will support assessing the presence of ambient receiving water toxicity or long term effects of toxic stormwater over time. As such, toxicity testing in the freshwater portions of the watershed will be conducted using *C. dubia*. However, *C. dubia* test organisms are typically cultured in moderately hard waters (80-100 mg/L CaCO₃) and can have increased sensitivity to elevated water hardness greater than 400 mg/L CaCO₃, which is beyond their typical habitat range. Because of this, in instances where hardness in site waters exceeds 400 mg/L (CaCO₃), an alternative test species may be used. *Daphnia magna* is more tolerant to high hardness levels and is a suitable substitution for *C. dubia* in these instances (Cowgill and Milazzo, 1990).

D.1.3.1.2 Saltwater Sensitive Species Selection

Samples collected in receiving waters with salinity equal to or greater than 1 ppt or from outfalls discharging to receiving waters with salinity that is equal to or greater than 1 ppt, should be tested using the most sensitive test species in accordance with *Short-term Methods for Estimating the Chronic Toxicity of Effluents and Receiving Waters to West Coast Marine and Estuarine Organisms* (EPA/600/R-95/136, 1995). The marine and estuarine test species identified in the MRP are:

- A static renewal toxicity test with the topsmelt, *Atherinops affinis* (Larval Survival and Growth Test Method 1006.015).
- A static non-renewal toxicity test with the purple sea urchin, *Strongylocentrotus purpuratus* (Fertilization Test Method 1008.0).
- A static non-renewal toxicity test with the giant kelp, *Macrocystis pyrifera* (Germination and Growth Test Method 1009.0).

In addition to the three species identified in the MRP, the red abalone, *Haliotis rufescens* (*H. rufescens*), larval development test was also considered given the extensive use in region.

Although all the species mentioned have been demonstrated as sensitive to a wide variety of toxicants and have been subject to numerous inter- and intra-laboratory testing using standardized toxicants, two species: *Macrocystis pyrifera* (*M. pyrifera*) and *Atherinops affinis* (*A. affinis*); have limitations when used to assess the toxicity of stormwater, as compared to the sea urchin fertilization test and the red abalone larval development test.

The method for *M. pyrifera* is a 48-hour chronic toxicity test that measures the percent zoospore germination and the length of the gametophyte germ tube. Although the test may be sensitive to herbicides, fungicides, and treatment plant effluent, the use of *M. pyrifera* as a test species for stormwater monitoring may not be ideal. Obtaining sporophylls for stormwater testing could also be a limiting factor for selecting this test. Collection of *M. pyrifera sporophylls* from the field is necessary prior to initiating the test and the target holding time for any receiving water or stormwater sample is 36 hours; however, 72 hours is the maximum time a sample may be held prior to test initiation. During the dry season, meeting the 36-72 hour holding time will be achievable; however, field collection during wet weather may be delayed beyond the maximum holding time due to heavy seas and inaccessible collection sites. In addition, collection of *M. pyrifera sporophylls* during the storm season may include increased safety risks that can be avoided by selection of a different species.

The *A. affinis* test measures the survival and growth test of a larval fish over seven days. At the end of seven days of exposure to a suspected toxicant, the number of surviving fish are recorded, along with their weights, and compared to those exposed to non-contaminated seawater. Positive characteristics of the *A. affinis* chronic test include the ability to purchase test organisms from commercial suppliers as well as being one of the few indigenous test species that may be used to test undiluted stormwater by the addition of artificial sea salts to within the range of marine receiving waters. Unfortunately, the tolerance of *A. affinis* to chemicals in artificial sea salts may also explain their lack of sensitivity to changes in water quality compared to other test organisms

such as the sea urchin or red abalone. There are concerns with the comparability of conducting a seven-day exposure test when most rain events do not occur over a seven-day period.

The *Strongylocentrotus purpuratus* (*S. purpuratus*) fertilization test measures the ability of *S. purpuratus* sperm to fertilize an egg when exposed to a suspected toxicant. The *S. purpuratus* fertilization has been selected as a chronic toxicity test organism in previous MS4 permits and has been used to assess ambient receiving water toxicity, sediment pore water toxicity, as well as stormwater toxicity. The *S. purpuratus* fertilization test is also among the most sensitive test species to metals. The adult test organisms may be purchased and held in the lab prior to fertilization, and the sample volume necessary to conduct the test is small with respect to the other suggested tests. The minimal exposure period (20 min) allows for a large number of tests to be conducted over a short period of time and permits the testing of toxicants that may lose their potency over long periods of time.

The red abalone larval development test measures the percent of abnormal shell development in larvae exposed to toxic samples for 48 hours. The red abalone is commonly used to test treatment plant effluent, but has had limited use in stormwater compared to the *S. purpuratus* fertilization test. The advantages of the red abalone test include a sensitive endpoint, the ability to purchase abalone from commercial suppliers and hold test organisms prior to spawning, and low variability in results compared to other species (e.g., *S. purpuratus* fertilization test). Thus, though not listed as a potential test species for use in stormwater monitoring in the MS4 permit, it was considered as a potentially sensitive species for the purposes of selecting the most sensitive species.

Due to the limitations of the giant kelp germination and growth test and the topsmelt survival and growth test, in addition to not being particularly sensitive to the constituents identified as problematic in stormwater water runoff from the watershed, these tests are not considered particularly helpful in supporting the identification of pollutants of concern. Based on the sensitivity, smaller test volume requirements, their ability to be housed in the lab prior to testing, and shorter exposure times, the *S. purpuratus* fertilization test and the red abalone development test will be considered during sensitive species selection to measure toxicity in marine and estuarine environments. Based on historical data of the sensitivity of the *S. purpuratus* and red abalone tests, and the limiting factors associated with the topsmelt and giant kelp tests, the sensitive species test for marine and estuarine species will be conducted with the *S. purpuratus* and red abalone tests. Species screening was determined to be appropriate for these two species (as opposed to selecting just one) as testing conducted within the region with both species have shown varying sensitivity. Thus, it is appropriate to test both to determine sensitivity at a given site. After the screening testing is completed, monitoring will be conducted with the most-sensitive species.

D.1.3.2 Testing Period

The following subsections characterize the toxicity testing periods for samples collected during dry and wet weather conditions.

D.1.3.2.1 Freshwater Testing Periods

Acute toxicity tests would normally be utilized for stormwater toxicity testing to be consistent with the relatively shorter exposure periods of watershed species to potential urban stormwater toxicants and would be conducted in accordance with Methods for Measuring the Acute Toxicity of Effluents and Receiving Waters to Freshwater and Marine Organisms (EPA, 2002b). Despite the test duration not being typical of stormwater flows, Board staff has recommended that a chronic testing period (typically 7 days) be used for toxicity testing for both survival and reproductive/growth endpoints for *C. dubia* in samples. Chronic testing will be conducted on undiluted samples in accordance with Short-term Methods for Estimating the Chronic Toxicity of Effluents and Receiving Waters to Freshwater Organisms (USEPA, 2002a). Utilization of chronic tests to assess wet weather samples may generate results that are not representative of receiving water conditions.

D.1.3.2.2 Saltwater Testing Period

Two marine and estuarine toxicity species tests utilize methods that have short durations (20 minutes for the *S. purpuratus* fertilization test and 48 hours for the *H. rufescens* development test), the end points are sub-lethal and can be considered representative of acute or chronic effects. Both test species and test methods are suitable for wet weather and dry weather monitoring.

D.1.3.3 Toxicity Endpoint Assessment and Toxicity Identification Evaluation Triggers

As directed by the Permit MRP, acute and chronic toxicity test endpoints will be analyzed using the Test of Significant Toxicity (TST) t-test approach specified by the USEPA (USEPA, 2010). The Permit specifies that the chronic in-stream waste concentration (IWC) be set at 100% receiving water for receiving water samples and 100% discharge for outfall samples. Follow-up triggers are generally based on the Permit specified statistical assessment as described below.

For acute *C. dubia* toxicity testing, follow up toxicity identification evaluation (TIE) testing is warranted if a statistically significant 50% difference in mortality is observed between the sample and laboratory control, a toxicity identification evaluation (TIE) will be performed. TIE procedures are further discussed in detail in the following subsection. Experience conducting TIEs in regional receiving waters supports using a 50% mortality trigger to provide a reasonable opportunity for a successful TIE. During 2003 and 2004 TMDL monitoring in the Calleguas Creek Watershed (CCW), TIEs were initiated for samples exceeding the 50% threshold, the majority of which displayed 100% mortality. In that study, toxicity had degraded in approximately 40% of the samples on which the procedures were initiated making the effort unsuccessful in pinpointing specific toxicants. The Regional Board approved monitoring program for the CCW Toxicity, Chlorpyrifos and Diazinon TMDL utilizes a 50% threshold for TIE initiation. Additionally, a 50% mortality threshold is utilized in the Ventura County MS4 Permit.

For chronic *C. dubia* toxicity testing, if a statistically significant 50% difference in mortality is observed between the sample and laboratory control, a TIE will be performed. If a statistically significant 50% difference in a sub-lethal endpoint is observed between the sample and laboratory control, a confirmatory sample will be collected from the receiving water within two weeks of obtaining the results of the initial sample. If a statistically significant 50% difference in mortality or sub-lethal endpoint is observed between the sample and laboratory control on the confirmatory sample, a TIE will be performed.

For the chronic marine and estuarine tests, the percent effect will be calculated. The percent effect is defined as the difference between the mean control response and the mean IWC response divided by the control response, multiplied by 100. A TIE will be performed if the percent effect value is equal to or greater than 50 percent. The TIE procedures will be initiated as soon as possible after the toxicity trigger threshold is observed to reduce the potential for loss of toxicity during sample storage. If the cause of toxicity is readily apparent or is caused by pathogen related mortality (PRM) or epibiont interference, the result will be rejected. In cases where significant endpoint toxicity effects greater than 50% are observed in the original sample, but the follow-up TIE positive control “signal” is not statistically significant, the cause of toxicity will be considered non-persistent and no sample follow-up testing is required. Future test results should be evaluated to determine if parallel TIE treatments are necessary to provide an opportunity to identify the cause of toxicity.

D.1.3.4 Toxicity Identification Evaluation Approach

The results of toxicity testing will be used to trigger further investigations to determine the cause of observed laboratory toxicity. The primary purpose of conducting TIEs is to support the identification of management actions that will remove toxicants from the receiving waters. Successful TIEs will guide adaptive outfall monitoring strategies to identify and analyze for suspect pollutant(s) and guide source control efforts

The TIE approach is divided into three phases as described in USEPA’s 1991 Methods for Aquatic Toxicity Identification Evaluations – Phase I Toxicity Characterization Procedures – Second Edition (EPA/600/6-9/003) and briefly summarized as follows:

- Phase I utilizes methods to characterize the physical/chemical nature of the constituents which cause toxicity. Such characteristics as solubility, volatility and filterability are determined without specifically identifying the toxicants. Phase I results are intended as a first step in specifically identifying the toxicants but the data generated can also be used to develop treatment methods that remove the toxicity without specifically identifying the toxicants.
- Phase II utilizes methods to specifically identify toxicants, or toxicant pollutant class.
- Phase III utilizes methods to confirm the identity of suspected toxicant(s).

TIE methods will generally adhere to USEPA procedures documented in conducting TIEs (USEPA, 1991, 1992, 1993a-b). A Phase I TIE will be conducted on samples that exceed the

TIE. Water quality data will be reviewed to support future evaluation of potential toxicants. TIEs will perform the manipulations described in **Table D-6**.

Toxicity causation will be tentatively identified based on the treatments in **Table D-6** and, when possible, the results verified based on water column chemistry analyses. After an initial determination of the cause of toxicity, the information may be used during future TIEs to target the expected toxicant (s) or provide new treatments to narrowly identify the toxicant cause(s). Moreover, if the toxicant or toxicant class is not initially identified, toxicity monitoring during subsequent events will confirm if the toxicant is persistent or a short-term episodic occurrence.

Table D-6 Aquatic Toxicity Identification Evaluation (TIE) Sample Manipulations

| TIE Sample Manipulation | Expected Response |
|--|---|
| Adjust to between pH 7 and 8.5 | Alters toxicity in pH sensitive compounds (i.e., ammonia and some trace metals) |
| Filtration or centrifugation | Removes particulates and associated toxicants |
| Ethylene Diamine Tetra Acetic Acid (EDTA) | Chelates trace metals, particularly divalent cationic metals |
| Sodium thiosulfate (STS) addition | Reduces toxicants attributable to oxidants (i.e., chlorine) and some trace metals |
| Piperonyl Butoxide (PBO) | Reduces toxicity from organophosphate pesticides such as diazinon, chlorpyrifos and malathion, and enhances pyrethroid toxicity |
| Carboxylesterase addition ⁽¹⁾ | Hydrolyzes pyrethroids |
| Solid Phase Extraction (SPE) with C18 column | Removes non-polar organics (including pesticides) and some relatively non-polar metal chelates |
| Sequential Solvent Extraction of C18 column | Further resolution of SPE-extracted compounds for chemical analyses |
| No Manipulation | Baseline test for comparing the relative effectiveness of other manipulations |

Carboxylesterase addition has been used in recent studies to help identify pyrethroid-associated toxicity (Wheelock et al., 2004; Weston and Amweg, 2007). However, this treatment is experimental in nature and should be used along with other pyrethroid-targeted TIE treatments (e.g., PBO addition).

As the primary goals of conducting TIEs is to identify pollutants for incorporation into outfall monitoring, narrowing the list of toxicants following Phase I TIEs via Phase II or III TIEs is not necessary if the toxicant class determined during the Phase I TIE is sufficient for: (1) identifying additional pollutants for outfall monitoring; and/or (2) identifying control measures. Thus, if the specific pollutant(s) or the analytical class of pollutant (e.g., metals that are analyzed via USEPA Method 200.8) are identified then sufficient information is available to inform the addition of pollutants to outfall monitoring.

Phase II TIEs may be utilized to identify specific toxicants in a sample if information beyond that gained via the Phase I TIE and review of chemistry data is needed to identify monitoring or management actions. Phase III TIEs will be conducted following any Phase II TIEs.

TIEs will be considered inconclusive if:

- The toxicity is persistent (i.e., observed in the positive control), and
- The cause of toxicity cannot be attributed to a class of constituents (e.g., insecticides, metals, etc.) that can be targeted for monitoring or additional source controls.

If (1) a combination of causes act in a synergistic or additive manner are identified; (2) the toxicity can be removed with a treatment or combination of the TIE treatments; or (3) the analysis of water quality data collected during the same event identifies the pollutant or analytical class of pollutants, the result of a TIE is considered conclusive.

Note that the MRP (page E-33) allows a TIE Prioritization Metric to be used in ranking sites for TIEs. As the extent to which TIEs will be conducted is unknown, prioritization cannot be assessed at this time, but may be utilized in the future based on the results of toxicity monitoring and the CIMP adaptive management.

D.1.3.5 Discharge Assessment

The Beach Cities WMG will prepare a Discharge Assessment Plan (DAP), if TIEs, from consecutive sampling events, are inconclusive. The Discharge Assessment will only be initiated after consecutive inconclusive TIEs, because of the inherent variability associated with the toxicity and TIE testing methods. The DAP will consider observed receiving and outfall toxicants, above known species effect levels and the relevant exposure periods compared to the duration of the observed toxicity. The DAP will identify:

- Additional potential receiving water toxicity monitoring to evaluate the spatial extent of toxicity.
- The toxicity test species to be utilized. If a different species is proposed, justification for the substitution will be provided.
- The number and location of monitoring sites and their spatial relation to the observed receiving water toxicity.
- The number of monitoring events that will be conducted, a schedule for conducting the monitoring, and a process for evaluating the completion of the assessment monitoring.

The DAP will be submitted to Regional Board staff for comment within 60 days of receipt of notification of the second consecutive inconclusive result. If no comments are received within 30 days, it will be assumed that the approach is appropriate for the given situation and the DAP will be implemented within 90-days of submittal. If comments are received within 30 days, the Plan will be resubmitted to Regional Board staff and the DAP will be implemented within 90-days of submittal of a version of the Plan that does not receive comments from Regional Board staff.

D.1.3.6 Follow Up on Toxicity Testing Results

The MRP (page E-33) indicates the following actions should be taken when a toxicant or class of toxicants is identified through a TIE:

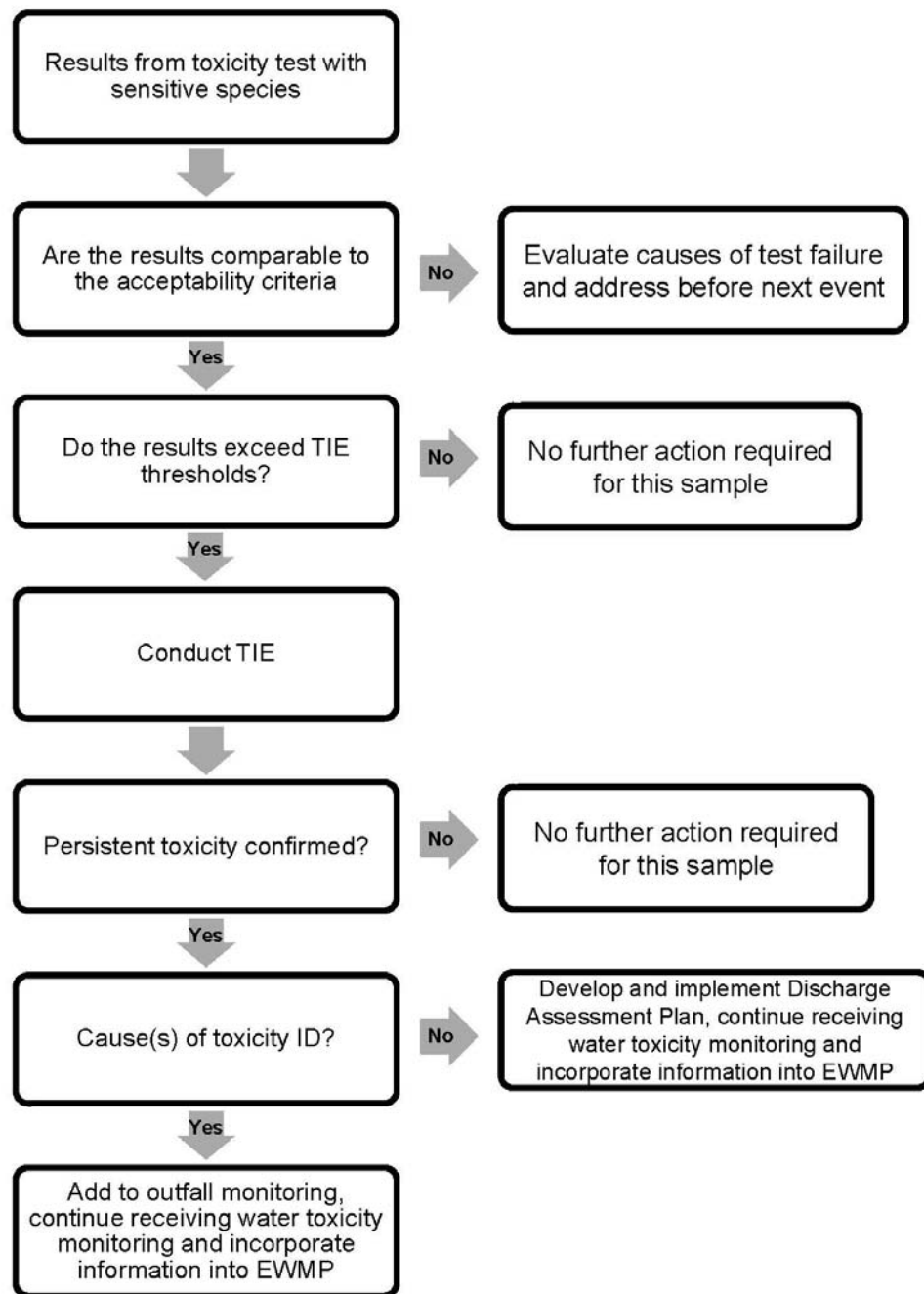
- Beach Cities WMG Members shall analyze for the toxicant(s) during the next scheduled sampling event in the discharge from the outfall(s) upstream of the receiving water location.
- If the toxicant is present in the discharge from the outfall at levels above the applicable receiving water limitation, a toxicity reduction evaluation (TRE) will be performed for that toxicant.
- The list of constituents monitored at outfalls identified in the CIMP will be modified based on the results of the TIEs.

Monitoring for constituents identified based on the results of a TIE will occur as soon as feasible following the completion of a successful TIE (i.e., the next monitoring event that is at least 45 days following the toxicity laboratory's report transmitting the results of a successful TIE).

The requirements of the TREs will be met as part of the adaptive management process in the Beach Cities WMG rather than conducted via the CIMP. The identification and implementation of control measures to address the causes of toxicity are tied to management of the stormwater program, not the CIMP. It is expected that the requirements of TREs will only be conducted for toxicants that are not already addressed by an existing Permit requirement (i.e., TMDLs) or existing or planned management actions.

D.1.3.7 Summary of Aquatic Toxicity Monitoring

The approach to conducting aquatic toxicity monitoring as described in the previous sections is summarized in detail in **Figure D-2**. The intent of the approach is to identify the cause of toxicity observed in receiving water to the extent possible with the toxicity testing tools available, thereby directing outfall monitoring for the pollutants causing toxicity with the ultimate goal of supporting the development and implementation of management actions.



Test failure includes pathogen or epibiont interference, which should be addressed prior to the next toxicity sampling event.

For freshwater, the TIE threshold is equal to or greater than 50% ($\geq 50\%$) mortality in an acute (wet weather) or chronic (dry weather) test. If a $\geq 50\%$ effect in a sub-lethal endpoint for chronic test is observed during dry weather, a follow up sample will be collected within two weeks of the completion of the initial sample collection. If the follow up sample exhibits a $\geq 50\%$ effect, a TIE will be initiated.

For marine waters and estuarine waters, the TIE threshold is the percent effect value $\geq 50\%$. If a $\geq 50\%$ or greater effect is observed during dry weather a follow up sample will be collected within two weeks of the initial sample collection and if the follow up sample exhibits a $\geq 50\%$ effect, a TIE will be initiated.

The goal of conducting Phase I TIEs is to identify the cause of toxicity so that outfall monitoring can incorporate the toxicant(s) into the list of constituents monitored during outfall monitoring. Thus, if specific toxicant(s) or the analytical class of toxicants (i.e., metals that are analyzed via EPA Method 200.8) are identified, sufficient information is available to inform the addition of pollutants to the list of pollutants monitored during outfall monitoring.

Figure D-2 Detailed Aquatic Toxicity Assessment Process

D.1.4 List of Laboratories Conducting Analysis

The chosen laboratories will be able to meet the measurement quality objectives set forth in **Table D-2** through **Table C-5**. Laboratories will meet California Environmental Laboratory Accreditation Program (ELAP) and/or National Environmental Laboratory Accreditation Program (NELAP) certifications and any data quality requirements specified in this document. Due to contracting procedures and solicitation requirements, qualified laboratories have not yet been selected to carry out the analytical responsibilities described in this CIMP. Selected laboratories will be listed, per the example shown in **Table D-7**, along with lab certification information. Following the completion of the first monitoring year, the pertinent laboratory specific information will be included in the Integrated Monitoring Compliance Report Section of the Annual Report. At the end of all future monitoring years the Beach Cities WMG will assess the laboratories performance and at that time a new laboratory may be chosen.

Table D-7 Summary of Laboratories Conducting Analysis for the Beach Cities WMG CIMP

| Laboratory ⁽¹⁾ | General Category of Analysis | Lab Certification No. & Expiration Date ⁽²⁾ |
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Information for all laboratories will be added to this table following their selection and upon CIMP update.

Lab certifications are renewed on an annual basis.

D.1.4.1 Alternate Laboratories

In the event that the laboratories selected to perform analyses for the CIMP are unable to fulfill data quality requirements outlined herein (e.g., due to instrument malfunction), alternate laboratories need to meet the same requirements that the primary labs have met. The original laboratory selected may recommend a qualified laboratory to act as a substitute. However, the final decision regarding alternate laboratory selection rests with the Beach Cities WMG.

D.2 Sampling Methods and Sample Handling

The sections below discuss the steps to be taken to properly prepare for initiate water quality sampling for the CIMP.

D.2.1 Monitoring Event Preparation

Monitoring event preparation includes preparation of field equipment, placing bottle orders, and contacting the necessary personnel regarding site access and schedule. The following steps will be completed two weeks prior to each sampling event (a condensed timeline may be appropriate in storm events, which may need to be completed on short notice):

- Contact laboratories to order sample containers and to coordinate sample transportation details.
- Confirm scheduled monitoring date with field crew(s), and set-up sampling day itinerary including sample drop-off.

- Prepare equipment.
- Prepare sample container labels and apply to bottles.
- Prepare the monitoring event summary and field log sheets to indicate the type of field measurements, field observations and samples to be collected at each of the monitoring sites.
- Verify that field analytical equipment is operating properly (i.e., check batteries, calibrate, etc.).

Table D-8 provides a checklist of field equipment to prepare prior to each monitoring event.

D.2.1.1 Bottle Order/Preparation

Sample container orders will be placed with the appropriate analytical laboratory at least two weeks prior to each sampling event. Containers will be ordered for all water samples, including quality control samples, as well as extra containers in case the need arises for intermediate containers or a replacement. The containers must be the proper type and size and contain preservative as appropriate for the specified laboratory analytical methods.

Table D-8 Field Equipment Checklist

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|--------------------------|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Monitoring Plan |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Sample Containers plus Extras with Extra Lids |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Pre-Printed, Waterproof Labels (extra blank sheets) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Event Summary Sheets |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Field Log Sheets |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Chain of Custody Forms |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Bubble Wrap |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Coolers with Ice |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Tape Measure |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Paper Towels or “Rags in a Box” |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Safety Equipment |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | First Aid Kit |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Cellular Telephone |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Gate Keys |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Hip Waders |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Plastic Trash Bags |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Sealable Plastic Bags |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Grab Pole |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Clean Secondary Container(s) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Field Measurement Equipment |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | New Powder-Free Nitrile Gloves |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Writing Utensils |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Stop Watch |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Camera |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Blank Water |

Table D-5 presents the proper container type, volume, and immediate processing and storage needs. The field crew must inventory sample containers upon receipt from the laboratory to ensure that adequate containers have been provided to meet analytical requirements for each

monitoring event. After each event, any bottles used to collect water samples will be cleaned by the laboratory and either picked up by or shipped to the field crew.

D.2.1.2 Container Labeling and Sample Identification Scheme

All samples will be identified with a unique identification code to ensure that results are properly reported and interpreted. Samples will be identified such that the site, sampling location, matrix, sampling equipment and sample type (i.e., environmental sample or QC sample) can be distinguished by a data reviewer or user. Sample identification codes will consist of a site identification code, a matrix code, and a unique sample identification code. The format for sample identification codes is AAAA - ### - XXX, where:

- AAAA indicates the unique site ID for each Beach Cities WMG monitoring site.
- ###- identifies the sequentially numbered monitoring event or sample collection date, where # is an optional indicator for re-samples collected for the same event. Sample events are numbered from 001 to 999 and will not be repeated.
- XXX identifies the sample number unique to a sample bottle collected for a single event. Sample bottles are numbered sequentially from 001 to 999 and will not be repeated within a single event.

Custom bottle labels should be produced using blank waterproof labels and labeling software. This approach will allow the site and analytical constituent information to be entered in advance and printed as needed prior to each monitoring event. Labels will be placed on the appropriate bottles in a dry environment; applying labels to wet sample bottles should be avoided. Labels should be placed on sides of bottles rather than on bottle caps. All sample containers will be pre-labeled before each sampling event to the extent practicable. Pre-labeling sample containers simplifies field activities, leaving only sample collection time and date and field crew initials to be filled out in the field. Labels should include the following information:

- | | | |
|----------------|----------------------|---------------------------|
| ➤ Program Name | ➤ Date | ➤ Analytical Requirements |
| ➤ Station ID | ➤ Collection Time | ➤ Preservative |
| ➤ Sample ID | ➤ Sampling Personnel | ➤ Requirements |
| | | ➤ Analytical Laboratory |

D.2.1.3 Field Meter Calibration

Calibration of field measurement equipment is performed as described in the owner's manuals for each individual instrument. Each individual field crew will be responsible for calibrating their field measurement equipment. Field monitoring equipment must meet the requirements outlined in **Table D-1** and be calibrated before field events based on manufacturer guidance, but at a minimum prior to each event. **Table D-9** outlines the typical field instrument calibration procedures for each piece of equipment requiring calibration. Each calibration will be documented on each event's calibration log sheet (presented in Appendix E).

If calibration results do not meet manufacturer specifications, the field crew should first try to recalibrate using fresh aliquots of calibration solution. If recalibration is unsuccessful, new

calibration solution should be used and/or maintenance should be performed. Each attempt should be recorded on the equipment calibration log. If the calibration results cannot meet manufacturer's specifications, the field crew should use a spare field measuring device that can be successfully calibrated. If a spare field measuring device that can be successfully calibrated is unavailable, field crews shall note the use of unsuccessfully calibrated equipment on each appropriate field log sheet. Additionally, the Beach Cities WMG should be notified.

Calibration should be verified using at least one calibration fluid within the expected range of field measurements, both immediately following calibration and at the end of each monitoring day. Individual parameters should be recalibrated if the field meters do not measure a calibration fluid within the range of accuracy presented in **Table D-1**. Calibration verification documentation will be retained in the event's calibration verification log (presented in Appendix E).

Table D-9 Calibration of Field Measurement Equipment

| Equipment / Instrument | Calibration and Verification Description | Frequency of Calibration | Frequency of Calibration Verification | Responsible Party |
|------------------------|---|---|---|---------------------------|
| pH Probe | Calibration using standard buffer solutions. Use of mid-range buffer to verify successful calibration. | Day prior to or 1st day of sampling event | After calibration and at the end of each sampling day | Individual Sampling Crews |
| Temperature | Is factory-set and requires no subsequent calibration. | | | |
| Dissolved Oxygen Probe | Calibrated using water saturated air environment. DO measurement of water-saturated air will be performed and compared to a standard table of DO concentrations in water as a function of temperature and barometric pressure to verify successful calibration. | | | |
| Conductivity | Follow manufacturer's specifications. Use of mid-range conductivity standard to verify successful calibration. | | | |
| Turbidity | Follow manufacturer's specifications. Use of mid-range turbidity standard to verify successful calibration. | | | |

D.2.1.4 Weather Conditions

Monitoring will occur during dry and wet conditions. Dry weather occurs on days with less than 0.1 inch of rain and more than three days after a rain event of 0.1 inch or greater within the watershed, as measured from at least 50 percent of Los Angeles County controlled rain gauges within the watershed. Wet will be defined as a storm event of greater than or equal to 0.1 inch of precipitation, as measured from at least 50 percent of the Los Angeles County controlled rain gauges within the watershed.

Note that if rainfall begins after dry weather monitoring has been initiated then dry weather monitoring will be suspended and continued on a subsequent day when weather conditions meet the dry weather conditions. Generally, grab samples will be collected during dry weather and composite samples will be collected during wet weather. Grab samples will be used for dry weather sampling events because the composition of the receiving water will change less over time; and thus, the grab sample can sufficiently characterize the receiving water. Grab samples during dry weather are consistent with similar programs within the region. However, to sufficiently characterize the receiving water during wet weather, composite samples will generally be used for wet weather sampling events. Grab samples may be utilized to collect wet weather sampling in certain situations, which may include, but are not limited to, when the constituent of interest requires the use of grab samples (e.g., E. coli and oil and grease), situations where it is unsafe to collect composite samples, or to perform investigative monitoring where composite sampling may not be warranted.

The Permit MRP includes specific criteria for the scheduling of some monitoring events. Wet weather receiving water and stormwater outfall based monitoring shall target the first storm event predicted to produce at least 0.25 inch of rain, with a 70% or greater probability, 24 hours before the start of the event. For dry weather receiving water monitoring, one sample event must take place during the historically driest month. Aquatic toxicity samples should also be collected during these two critical flow events.

The first significant rain event of the storm year (first flush) will be monitored. The targeted storm events for wet weather sampling will be selected based on a reasonable probability that the events will result in substantially increased flows over at least 12 hours. Sufficient precipitation is needed to produce runoff and increase flow. The decision to sample a storm event will be made in consultation with weather forecasting information services after a quantitative precipitation forecast (QPF) has been determined. All efforts will be made to collect wet weather samples from all sites during a single targeted storm event. However, safety or other factors may make it infeasible to collect samples from a given storm event. For example, storm events that will require field crews to collect wet weather samples during holidays and/or weekends may not be sampled due to sample collection or laboratory staffing constraints.

For a storm to be tracked and the sampling team mobilized, the first flush event will have a predicted rainfall of at least 0.25 inches, with at least a 70 percent probability of rainfall, 24 hours prior to the forecasted time of storm initiation. Subsequent storm events must meet similar tracking and flow objectives, as well as be separated by a minimum of three days of dry weather, defined as rainfall of less than 0.1" per day. Antecedent conditions will be based on the LACDPW rain gage listed in **Table D-10**. Data can be obtained at <http://dpw.lacounty.gov/wrd/Precip/index.cfm> by clicking the ‘See Data’ link in the “Near Real-Time Precipitation Map” section. The web page displays a map showing real-time rainfall totals (in inches) for different rain gages. Although the default precipitation period is 24 hours, the user can view rainfall totals over different durations. Data from the rain gages is updated every 10 minutes.

Table D-10 Real-Time Gage Used to Define Weather Conditions for CIMP Monitoring ¹

| Rainfall Gage | Operator | Latitude | Longitude |
|--------------------------|---|------------|-------------|
| Manhattan Beach (373) | Los Angeles County Department of Public Works | 33°53'01"N | 118°23'21"W |
| Redondo Beach Yard (372) | | 33°51'25"N | 118°23'00"W |

Information for the gage can be found at <http://dpw.lacounty.gov/wrd/Precip/alertlist.cfm>.

Wet weather sample event mobilization would be planned when a rainfall of 0.25 inches over a 6- to 12-hour period is predicted with 70% or greater probability, 24 hours before the start of the event. The sampling crew should prepare to depart in advance of the forecasted time of initial rainfall, adjusting for traffic and sample site requirements. The initiation of composite samples should be targeted for collection within 2 hours of local rainfall. The National Weather Service’s weather forecast for the Beach Cities WMG EWMP area can be accessed on-line at <http://www.wrh.noaa.gov/lox/> then click on the location of the Beach Cities WMG EWMP area on the area map. From the forecast page, the link to “Quantitative Precipitation Forecast”

provides forecasted precipitation in inches for the next 24 hours, in 3-hour increments for the first 12 hours and in 6-hour increments for the last 12 hours.

D.2.2 Sample Handling

Proper sampling handling ensures the samples will comply with the monitoring methods and analytical hold time and provides traceable documentation throughout the history of the sample.

D.2.2.1 Documentation Procedures

The Beach Cities WMG is responsible for ensuring that each field sampling team adheres to proper custody and documentation procedures. Field log sheets documenting sample collection and other monitoring activities for each site will be bound in a separate master logbook for each event. Field personnel have the following responsibilities:

- Keep an accurate written record of sample collection activities on the field log sheets.
- Ensure that all field log sheet entries are legible and contain accurate and inclusive documentation of all field activities.
- Note errors or changes using a single line to cross out the entry and date and initial the change.
- Ensure that a label is affixed to each sample collected and that the labels uniquely identify samples with a sample ID, site ID, date and time of sample collection and the sampling crew initials.
- Complete the chain of custody forms accurately and legibly.

D.2.2.2 Field Documentation/Field Log

Field crews will keep a field log book for each sampling event that contains a calibration log sheet, a field log sheet for each site, and appropriate contact information. The following items should be recorded on the field log sheet for each sampling event:

- Monitoring station location (Station ID);
- Date and time(s) of sample collection;
- Name(s) of sampling personnel;
- Sample collection depth;
- Sample ID numbers and unique IDs for any replicate or blank samples;
- QC sample type (if appropriate);
- Requested analyses (specific parameters or method references);
- Sample type (e.g., grab or composite);
- The results of field measurements (e.g., flow, temperature, dissolved oxygen, pH, conductivity, turbidity) and the time that measurements were made;
- Qualitative descriptions of relevant water conditions (e.g., water color, flow level, clarity) or weather (e.g., wind, rain) at the time of sample collection;
- Trash observations (presence/absence);
- Observations of recreational activities;

- A description of any unusual occurrences associated with the sampling event, particularly those that may affect sample or data quality.

The field log will be scanned into a PDF within one week of the conclusion of each sampling event. Alternatively, all measurements could be collected on an electronic device such as laptop or tablet computer. **Appendix E** contains an example of the field log sheet.

D.2.2.3 Sample Handling and Shipment

The field crews will maintain custody of samples during each monitoring event. Chain-of-custody (COC) forms will accompany all samples during shipment to contract laboratories to identify the shipment contents. All water quality samples will be transported to the analytical laboratory by the field crew or by courier. The original COC form will accompany the shipment, and a signed copy of the COC form will be sent, typically via email or fax, by the laboratory to the field crew to be retained in the project file.

While in the field, samples will be stored on ice in an insulated container. Samples that must be shipped to the laboratory must be examined to ensure that container lids are tight and placed on ice to maintain the appropriate temperature. The ice packed with samples must be approximately 2 inches deep at the top and bottom of the cooler, and must contact each sample to maintain temperature. The original COC form(s) will be double-bagged in re-sealable plastic bags and either taped to the outside of the cooler or to the inside lid. Samples must be shipped to the contract laboratory according to transportation standards. The method(s) of shipment, courier name, and other pertinent information should be entered in the “Received By” or “Remarks” section of the COC form.

Coolers must be sealed with packing tape before shipping, unless transported by field or lab personnel, and must not leak. It is assumed that samples in tape-sealed ice chests are secure whether being transported by common carrier or by commercial package delivery. The laboratory’s sample receiving department will examine the shipment of samples for correct documentation, proper preservation and compliance with holding times.

The following procedures are used to prevent bottle breakage and cross-contamination:

- Bubble wrap or foam pouches are used to keep glass bottles from contacting one another to prevent breakage, re-sealable bags will be used if available.
- All samples are transported inside hard plastic coolers or other contamination-free shipping containers.
- If arrangements are not made in advance, the laboratory’s sample receiving personnel must be notified prior to sample shipment.

All samples remaining after successful completion of analyses will be disposed of properly. It is the responsibility of the personnel of each analytical laboratory to ensure that all applicable regulations are followed in the disposal of samples or related chemicals. Samples will be stored and transported as noted in **Table D-5**. Samples not analyzed locally will be sent on the same

day that the sample collection process is completed, if possible. Samples will be delivered to the appropriate laboratory as will be indicated in **Table D-11**. Note that due to procurement procedures, the analytical laboratories have not been identified at this time. Information for all laboratories will be added to this table following their selection. All appropriate contacts will be listed along with lab certification information in **Table D-11**.

Table D-11 Information on Laboratories Conducting Analysis for the Beach Cities WMG EWMP Group CIMP

| Laboratory ¹ | General Category of Analysis | Shipping Method | Contact | Phone | Address | Lab Certification No. & Expiration Date ⁽²⁾ |
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¹ Information for all laboratories will be added to this table following their selection and upon CIMP update. Lab certifications are renewed on an annual basis.

D.2.2.4 Chain-of-Custody Forms

Sample custody procedures provide a mechanism for documenting information related to sample collection and handling. Sample custody must be traceable from the time of sample collection until results are reported. A sample is considered under custody if:

- It is in actual possession.
- It is in view after in physical possession.
- It is placed in a secure area (accessible by or under the scrutiny of authorized personnel only after in possession).

A COC form must be completed after sample collection and prior to sample shipment or release. The COC form, sample labels, and field documentation will be cross-checked to verify sample identification, type of analyses, number of containers, sample volume, preservatives, and type of containers. A complete COC form is to accompany the transfer of samples to the analyzing laboratory. A typical COC form is presented in **Appendix E**.

D.2.2.5 Laboratory Custody Procedures

Laboratories will follow sample custody procedures as outlined in their Quality Assurance (QA) Manual. The QA Manual should be available, at the laboratory, upon request. Laboratories shall maintain custody logs sufficient to track each sample submitted and to analyze or preserve each sample within specified holding times. The following sample control activities must be conducted at the laboratory:

- Initial sample login and verification of samples received with the COC form;
- Document any discrepancies noted during login on the COC;
- Initiate internal laboratory custody procedures;
- Verify sample preservation (e.g., temperature);
- Notify the Beach Cities WMG if any problems or discrepancies are identified; and,

- Perform proper sample storage protocols, including daily refrigerator temperature monitoring and sample security.

Laboratories shall maintain records to document that the above procedures are followed. Once samples have been analyzed, samples will be stored at the laboratory for at least 60 days. After this period, samples may be disposed of properly.

D.2.3 Field Protocols

Briefly, the key aspects of quality control associated with field protocols for sample collection for eventual chemical and toxicological analyses are as follows:

- Field personnel will be thoroughly trained in the proper use of sample collection gear and will be able to distinguish acceptable versus unacceptable water samples in accordance with pre-established criteria.
- Field personnel will be thoroughly trained to recognize and avoid potential sources of sample contamination (e.g., engine exhaust, ice used for cooling).
- Sampling gear and utensils which come in direct contact with the sample will be made of non-contaminating materials (e.g., borosilicate glass, high-quality stainless steel and/or Teflon™, according to protocol) and will be thoroughly cleaned between sampling stations according to appropriate cleaning protocol (rinsing thoroughly at minimum).
- Sample containers will be of the recommended material and contaminant free (i.e., pre-cleaned).
- Conditions for sample collection, preservation, and holding times will be followed.

Field crews will be comprised of two persons per crew, minimum. To ensure safety, field crews will have the necessary field equipment such as safety vest, steel toe boots/or rubber boots, nitrile gloves, lighting, if required, etc. Other constraints on sampling events include, but are not limited to, lab closures and toxicity testing organism availability. Sampling events should proceed in the following manner:

- Before leaving the sampling crew base of operations, confirm number and type of sample containers as well as the complete equipment list.
- Proceed to the first sampling site.
- Fill-out the general information on the field log sheet.
- Collect the environmental and quality assurance/quality control (QA/QC) samples indicated on the event summary sheet and store samples appropriately. Using the field log sheet, confirm that all appropriate containers were filled.
- Collect field measurements and observations, and record these on the field log sheet.
- Repeat the procedures in steps 3, 4, and 5 for each of the remaining sampling sites.
- Complete the COC forms using the information on the field log sheets.
- After sample collection is completed, deliver and/or ship samples to appropriate laboratory.

D.2.4 Sample Collection

All samples will be collected in a manner appropriate for the specific analytical methods to be used. The proper sampling techniques, outlined in this section, will ensure that the collected samples are representative of the waterbodies sampled. Should field crews feel that it is unsafe to collect samples for any reason, the field crews **SHOULD NOT COLLECT** a sample and note on the field log that the sample was not collected, why the sample was not collected, and provide photo documentation, if feasible. Because a significant storm event is based on predicted rainfall, it is recognized that this monitoring may be triggered without 0.25 inches of rainfall actually occurring. In this case, the monitoring event will still qualify as meeting this requirement provided that sufficient sample volume is collected to do all required laboratory analysis. Documentation will be provided showing the predicted rainfall amount.

D.2.4.1 Overview of Sampling Techniques

As described below, the method used to collect water samples is dependent on the depth, flow, and sampling location (receiving water, outfall). Nonetheless, in all cases:

- Throughout each sample collection event, the sampler should exercise aseptic techniques to avoid any contamination (i.e., do not touch the inner surfaces or lip edges of the sample bottle or cap).
- The sampler should use clean, powder-free, nitrile gloves for each site to prevent contamination.
- When collecting the sample, the sampler should not breathe, sneeze, or cough in the direction of the container.
- Gloves should be changed if they are soiled, or if the potential for cross-contamination exists from handling sampling materials or samples.
- While the sample is collected, the bottle lid shall not be placed on the ground.
- The sampler should not eat or drink during sample collection.
- The sampler should not smoke during sample collection.
- Each person on the field crew should wear clean clothing that is free of dirt, grease, or other substances that could contaminate the sampling apparatus or sample bottles.
- Sampling should not occur near a running vehicle. Vehicles should not be parked within the immediate sample collection area, even non-running vehicles.
- When the sample is collected, ample air space should be left in the bottle to facilitate mixing by shaking for lab analysis, unless otherwise required by the method.
- After the sample is collected and the cap is tightly screwed back on the bottle, the time of sampling should be recorded on the field log sheet.
- Any QA/QC samples that are collected should be also be noted on the field log sheet and labeled according the convention described in **Section D.2.1** of this Attachment.
- Samples should be stored as previously described.
- COC forms should be filled out as described in **Section D.2.2** of this Attachment and delivered to the appropriate laboratory as soon as feasible to ensure hold times are met.

To prevent contamination of samples, clean metal sampling techniques using USEPA protocols outlined in USEPA Method 1669¹ will be used throughout all phases of the water sample collection. The protocol for clean metal sampling, based on USEPA Method 1669, is summarized below:

- Samples are collected in rigorously pre-cleaned sample bottles with any tubing specially processed to clean sampling standards.
- At least two persons, wearing clean, powder-free nitrile or latex gloves at all times, are required on a sampling crew.
- One person, referred to as “dirty hands”, opens only the outer bag of all double-bagged sample bottles.
- The other person, referred to as “clean hands”, reaches into the outer bag, opens the inner bag and removes the clean sample bottle.
- Clean hands rinses the bottle at least two times by submerging the bottle, removing the bottle lid, filling the bottle approximately one-third full, replacing the bottle lid, gently shaking and then emptying the bottle. Clean hands then collects the sample by submerging the bottle, removing the lid, filling the bottle and replacing the bottle cap while the bottle is still submerged.
- After the sample is collected, the sample bottle is double-bagged in the opposite order from which it was removed from the same double-bagging.
- Clean, powder-free gloves are changed whenever something not known to be clean has been touched.

D.2.4.2 Field Measurements and Observations

Field measurements will be collected and observations made at each sampling site during sample collection. Field measurements will include the parameters identified in the CIMP for which a laboratory analysis is not being conducted. Field monitoring equipment must meet the requirements outlined in **Table D-4**. Field measurements for sediment samples shall be collected from within one meter of the sediment. All field measurement results and field observations will be recorded on a field log sheet similar to the one presented in **Appendix E** and as described in **Section D.2.2** of this Attachment.

Measurements (except for flow) will be collected at approximately mid-stream, mid-depth at the location of greatest flow (if feasible) with a Hydrolab DS4 multi-probe meter, or comparable instrument(s). If at any time the collection of field measurements by wading appears to be unsafe, field crews will not attempt to collect mid-stream, mid-depth measurements. Rather, field measurements will be made either directly from a stable, unobstructed area at the channel edge, or by using a telescoping pole and intermediate container to obtain a sample for field measurements and for filling sample containers. For situations where flows are not sufficiently deep to submerge the probes, an intermediate container will be utilized. The location of field measurements will be documented on the field log sheet.

¹ USEPA. April 1995. *Method 1669: Sampling Ambient Water for Trace Metals at EPA Water Quality Criteria Levels*. EPA 821-R-95-034.

Flow measurements will be collected as outlined in the following subsections at freshwater receiving water and non-stormwater outfall monitoring sites. Regardless of measurement technique used, if a staff gage is present the gage height will be noted. Field crews may not be able to measure flow at several sites during wet weather because of inaccessibility of the site. If this is the case, site inaccessibility will be documented on the field log sheet.

The field sampling crew has the primary responsibility for responding to failures in the sampling or measurement systems. Deviations from established monitoring protocols will be documented in the comment section of the field log sheet and noted in the post event summaries. If monitoring equipment fails, monitoring personnel will report the problem in the notes section of the field log sheet and will not record data values for the variables in question. Broken equipment will be replaced or repaired prior to the next field use. Data collected using faulty equipment will not be used.

D.2.4.2.1 Velocity Meter Flow Measurements

For sampling sites where water is deep enough (>0.1-foot) a velocity meter will be utilized. For these cases, velocity will be measured at approximately equal increments across the width of the flowing water using a Marsh-McBirney Flo-Mate® velocity meter² or equivalent, which uses an electromagnetic velocity sensor. A “flow pole” will be used to measure the water depth at each measurement point and to properly align the sensor so that the depth of each velocity measurement is approximately equal to 0.6 * total depth, which is representative of the average velocity. The distance between velocity measurements taken across the stream is dependent on the total width. No more than 10% of the flow will pass through any one cross section.

D.2.4.2.2 Shallow Sheet Flow Measurements

If the depth of flow does not allow for the measurement of flow with a velocity meter (<0.1-foot) a “float” will be used to measure the velocity of the flowing water. The width, depth, velocity, cross section, and corresponding flow rate will be estimated as follows:

- **Sheet flow width:** The width (W) of the flowing water (not the entire part of the channel that is damp) is measured at the “top”, “middle”, and “bottom” of a marked-off distance – generally 10 feet (e.g., for a 10-foot marked-off section, W_{Top} is measured at 0-feet, W_{Mid} is measured at 5 feet, and W_{Bottom} is measured at 10 feet).
- **Sheet flow depth:** The depth of the sheet flow is measured at the top, middle, and bottom of the marked-off distance. Specifically, the depth (D) of the sheet flow is measured at 25%, 50%, and 75% of the flowing width (e.g., $D_{50\%}^{Mid}$ is the depth of the water at middle of the section in the middle of the sheet flow) at each of the width measurement locations. It

² For more information, see <http://marsh-mcBirney.com/Products/2000.htm>

is assumed that the depth at the edge of the sheet flow (i.e., at 0% and 100% of the flowing width) is zero.

- **Representative cross-section:** Based on the collected depth and width measurements, the representative cross-sectional area across the marked-off sheet flow is approximated as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Representative Cross Section} = \\ \text{Average} \left\{ \left[\frac{W_{\text{Top}}}{4} \times \left(\frac{D_{25\%}^{\text{Top}}}{2} + \frac{(D_{50\%}^{\text{Top}} + D_{25\%}^{\text{Top}})}{2} + \frac{(D_{75\%}^{\text{Top}} + D_{50\%}^{\text{Top}})}{2} + \frac{D_{75\%}^{\text{Top}}}{2} \right) \right], \right. \\ \left. \left[\frac{W_{\text{Mid}}}{4} \times \left(\frac{D_{25\%}^{\text{Mid}}}{2} + \frac{(D_{50\%}^{\text{Mid}} + D_{25\%}^{\text{Mid}})}{2} + \frac{(D_{75\%}^{\text{Mid}} + D_{50\%}^{\text{Mid}})}{2} + \frac{D_{75\%}^{\text{Mid}}}{2} \right) \right], \right. \\ \left. \left[\frac{W_{\text{Bottom}}}{4} \times \left(\frac{D_{25\%}^{\text{Bottom}}}{2} + \frac{(D_{50\%}^{\text{Bottom}} + D_{25\%}^{\text{Bottom}})}{2} + \frac{(D_{75\%}^{\text{Bottom}} + D_{50\%}^{\text{Bottom}})}{2} + \frac{D_{75\%}^{\text{Bottom}}}{2} \right) \right] \right\} \end{aligned}$$

- **Sheet flow velocity:** Velocity is calculated based on the amount of time it took a float to travel the marked-off distance (typically 10-feet or more). Floats are normally pieces of leaves, litter, or floatables (suds, etc.). The time it takes the float to travel the marked-off distance is measured at least three times. Then average velocity is calculated as follows:

$$\text{Average Surface Velocity} = \frac{\text{Distance Marked off for Float Measurement}}{\text{Average Time for Float to Travel Marked off Distance}}$$

- **Flow Rate calculation:** For sheet flows, based on the above measurements/estimates, the estimated flow rate, Q , is calculated by:

$$Q = f \times (\text{Representative Cross Section}) \times (\text{Average Surface Velocity})$$

The coefficient f is used to account for friction effects of the channel bottom. That is, the float travels on the water surface, which is the most rapidly-traveling portion of the water column. The average velocity, not the surface velocity, determines the flow rate, and thus f is used to “convert” surface velocity to average velocity. In general, the value of f typically ranges from 0.60 – 0.90 (USGS 1982). Based on flow rate measurements taken during the LA River Bacteria Source Identification Study (CREST 2008) a value of 0.75 will be used for f .

D.2.4.2.3 Free-Flowing Outfalls

Some storm drain outfalls are free-flowing, meaning the runoff falls from an elevated outfall into the channel, which allows for collection of the entire flowing stream of water into a container of known volume (e.g., graduated bucket or graduated Ziploc bag). The time it takes to fill the known volume is measured using a stopwatch, and recorded on the field log. The time it takes to fill the container will be measured three times and averaged to ensure that the calculated discharge is representative. In some cases, a small portion of the runoff may flow around or under the container. For each measurement, “percent capture”, or the proportion of flow estimated to enter the bucket, will be recorded. For free-flowing outfalls, the estimated flow rate, Q , is calculated by:

$$Q = \text{Average} \left[\frac{\text{Filled container Volume}}{(\text{Time to Fill Container}) \times (\text{Estimated Capture})} \right]$$

Based on measurements of free-flowing outfalls during the LA River Bacteria Source Identification Study (CREST, 2008), estimated capture typically ranges from 0.75 – 1.0.

D.2.4.2.4 Manhole Flow Rate Estimation

Several alternative methods maybe applied to flow estimation in manholes, depending on field conditions. Shallow manholes may be most effectively assessed using a velocity meter as characterized in this section. Alternatively, runoff depth may be assessed using "dipsticks" or staff gauges to assess runoff water depth and compared with the facility design plans to allow an open channel flow rate calculation as indicated above. In situations where flow weighted compositing is required, an ultrasonic depth measurement may be suitable especially for mid-depth manholes of 10 to 30 feet in depth. Final decisions regarding development of this data will be made following monitoring consultant selection.

D.2.4.3 Sampling Techniques for the Collection of Water

The following subsections provide details on the various techniques that can be utilized to collect water quality samples. Should field crews feel that it is unsafe to collect samples for any reason, the field crews **SHOULD NOT COLLECT** a sample and note on the field log that the sample was not collected, why the sample was not collected, and provide photo documentation, if feasible.

D.2.4.3.1 Direct Submission: Hand Technique

Where practical, all grab samples will be collected by direct submersion at mid-stream, mid-depth using the following procedures:

- Follow the standard sampling procedures described in **Section D.2.4.1** of this Attachment.
- Remove the lid, submerge the container to mid-stream/mid-depth, let the container fill and secure the lid. In the case of mercury samples, remove the lid underwater to reduce the potential for contamination from the air.
- Place the sample on ice.
- Collect the remaining samples including quality control samples, if required, using the same protocols described above.

Follow the sample handling procedures described in **Section D.2.2** of this Attachment.

D.2.4.3.2 Intermediate Container Technique

Samples may be collected with the use of a clean intermediate container, if necessary, following the steps listed below. An intermediate container may include a container that is similar in composition to the sample container, a pre-cleaned pitcher made of the same material as the sample container, or a Ziploc bag. An intermediate container should not be reused at a different site without appropriate cleaning.

- Follow the standard sampling procedures described in **Section D.2.4.1** of this Attachment.
- Submerge the intermediate container to mid-stream/mid-depth (if possible), let the container fill, and quickly transfer the sample into the individual sample container(s) and secure the lid(s).
- Place the sample(s) on ice.
- Collect remaining samples including quality control samples, if required, using the same protocols described above.
- Follow the sample handling procedures described in **Section D.2.2** of this Attachment.

Some flows may be too shallow to fill a container without using an intermediate container. When collecting samples from shallow sheet flows it is very important to not scoop up algae, sediment, or other particulate matter on the bottom because such debris is not representative of flowing water. To prevent scooping up such debris either: (1) find a spot where the bottom is relatively clean and allow the sterile intermediate container to fill without scooping; or (2) lay a clean sterile Ziploc® bag on the bottom and collect the water sample from on top of the bag. A fresh Ziploc® bag must be used at each site.

D.2.4.3.4 Pumping

Samples may be collected with the use of a peristaltic pump and specially cleaned tubing following the steps listed below. Sample tubing should not be reused at a different site without appropriate cleaning.

- Follow the standard sampling procedures described in **Section D.2.4.1** of this Attachment.
- Attach pre-cleaned tubing into the pump, exercising caution to avoid allowing tubing ends to touch any surface known not to be clean. A separate length of clean tubing must be used at each sample location for which the pump is used.
- Place one end of the tubing below the surface of the water. To the extent possible, avoid placing the tubing near the bottom so that settled solids are not pumped into the sample container.
- Hold the other end of the tubing over the opening of the sample container, exercising care not to touch the tubing to the sample container.
- Pump the necessary sample volume into the sample container and secure the lid.
- Place the sample on ice.
- Collect remaining samples including quality control samples, if required, using the same protocols described above.

Follow the sample handling procedures described in **Section D.2.2** of this Attachment.

D.2.4.3.5 Autosamplers

Automatic sample compositors (autosamplers) are used to characterize the entire flow of a storm in one analysis. They can be programmed to take aliquots at either time- or flow-based specified intervals. Before beginning setup in the field, it is recommended to read the manufacturer's instructions. The general steps to set up the autosampler are described below:

- Connect power source to autosampler. This can be in the form of a battery or a power cable.
- Install pre-cleaned tubing into the pump. Clean tubing will be used at each site and for each event, in order to minimize contamination.
- Attach strainer to intake end of the tubing and install in sampling channel.
- If running flow based composite samples; install flow sensor in sampling channel and connect it to the automatic compositor.
- Label and install composite bottle(s). If sampler is not refrigerated, then add enough ice to the composite bottle chamber to keep sample cold for the duration of sampling or until such time as ice can be refreshed. Make sure not to contaminate the inside of the composite bottle with any of the ice.
- Program the autosampler as per the manufacturer's instructions and make sure the autosampler is powered and running before leaving the site.

After the sample collection is completed the following steps must be taken to ensure proper sample handling:

- Upon returning to the site, check the status of the autosampler and record any errors or missed samples. Note on the field log the time of the last sample, as this will be used for filling out the COCs.
- Remove the composite bottle and store on ice. If dissolved metals are required, then begin the sample filtration process outlined in the following subsection, within 15 minutes of the last composite sample, unless compositing must occur at another location, in which case the filtration process should occur as soon as possible upon sample compositing.
- Power down autosampler and leave sampling site.

The composite sample will need to be split into the separate analysis bottles either before being shipped to the laboratory or at the laboratory. This is best done in a clean and weatherproof environment, using clean sampling technique.

D.2.4.3.6 Dissolved Metals Field Filtration

Samples for dissolved metals will be filtered by the laboratory. In the event samples for dissolved metals are required to be filtered in the field, the following method for dissolved field filtration will be conducted. A 50mL plastic syringe with a 0.45µm filter attached will be used to collect and filter the dissolved metals sample in the field. The apparatus will either come

certified pre-cleaned from the manufacturer and confirmed by the analytical laboratory or be pre-cleaned by and confirmed by the analytical laboratory at least once per year. The apparatus will be double bagged in Ziploc plastic bags. Alternative an equivalent method may be utilized, if necessary.

To collect the sample for dissolved metals, first collect the total metals sample using clean sampling techniques. The dissolved sample will be taken from this container. Immediately prior to collecting the dissolved sample, shake the total metals sample. To collect the dissolved metals sample using clean sampling techniques, remove the syringe from the bag and place the tip of the syringe into the bottle containing the total metals sample and draw up 50 mL of sample into the syringe. Next, remove the filter from the zip-lock bag and screw it tightly into the tip of the syringe. Then put the tip of the syringe with the filter into the clean dissolved metals container and push the sample through the filter taking care not to touch the inside surface of the sample container with the apparatus. The sample volume needs to be a minimum of 20 mL. If the filter becomes clogged prior to generating 20 mL of sample, remove and dispose of the used filter and replace it with a new clean filter (using the clean sampling techniques). Continue to filter the sample. When 20 mL has been collected, cap the sample bottle tightly and store on ice for delivery to the laboratory.

D.2.4.4 Receiving Water Sample Collection

Receiving water sites are located approximately 1,000 feet offshore and a boat will be used to access the site. Determination when and where to precisely sample is health and safety dependent and will be determined by the Boat Captain, based on predicted and observed conditions. Samples will be collected as grab samples, which are discrete individual samples. Should field crews feel that it is unsafe to collect samples for any reason, the field crews **SHOULD NOT COLLECT** a sample and note on the field log that the sample was not collected, why the sample was not collected, and provide photo documentation, if feasible.

Grab samples will be used for dry weather sampling events and will be collected as described in **Section D.2.4.3** of this Attachment. Monitoring site configuration and consideration of safety will dictate grab sample collection technique. The potential exists for monitoring sites to lack discernable flow. The lack of discernable flow may generate unrepresentative data. To address the potential confounding interference that can occur under such conditions, sites sampled should be assessed for the following conditions and sampled or not sampled accordingly:

- Pools of water with no flow or no visible connection to another surface water body should not be sampled. The field log should be completed for non-water quality data (including date and time of visit) and the site condition should be photo-documented.
- Flowing water (i.e., based on visual observations, flow measurements, and a photo-documented assessment of conditions immediately upstream and downstream of the sampling site) site should be sampled.

It is the combined responsibility of all members of the sampling crew to determine if the performance requirements of the specific sampling method have been met, and to collect

additional samples if required. If the performance requirements outlined above or documented in sampling protocols are not met, the sample will be re-collected. If contamination of the sample container is suspected, a fresh sample container will be used. The SMB EWMP Group will be contacted if at any time the sampling crew has questions about procedures or issues based on site-specific conditions.

D.2.4.5 Stormwater Outfall Sample Collection

Stormwater outfalls will be monitored with methods similar to those discussed in **Section D.2.4.4** of this Attachment. Sampling will not be undertaken if the outfalls are not flowing or if conditions exist where the receiving water is back-flowing into the outfall. It is the combined responsibility of all members of the sampling crew to determine if the performance requirements of the specific sampling method have been met, and to collect additional samples if required. If the performance requirements outlined above or documented in sampling protocols are not met, the sample will be re-collected. If contamination of the sample container is suspected, a fresh sample container will be used. The Beach Cities WMG will be contacted if at any time the sampling crew has questions about procedures or issues based on site-specific conditions. Two outfall sites are located in major arterial roadways and would be collected as grab samples to avoid extended traffic delays and risks from traffic related accidents. Other outfall sites that can be safely accessed over the sampling duration would be sampled as time-weighted equal volume aliquots, collected either manually or using an auto-sampler, which would be composited by the selected analytical laboratory. A time-weighted composite is created by mixing multiple aliquots collected at equally specified time intervals.

D.2.4.6 Preparation for Outfall Surveys

Preparation for outfall surveys includes preparation of field equipment, placing bottle orders, and contacting the necessary personnel regarding site access and schedule. The following steps should be completed two weeks prior to each outfall survey:

- Check weather reports and LACDPW rain gage to ensure that antecedent dry weather conditions are suitable.
- Contact appropriate Flood Maintenance Division personnel from LACDPW to notify them of dates and times of any activities in flood control channels.
- Contact laboratories to order bottles and to coordinate sample pick-ups.
- Confirm scheduled sampling date with field crews.
- Set-up sampling day itinerary including sample drop-offs and pick-ups.
- Compile field equipment.
- Prepare sample labels.
- Prepare event summaries to indicate the type of field measurements, field observations, and samples to be taken at each of the outfalls.
- Prepare COCs.
- Charge the batteries of field tablets (if used).

D.2.4.6.1 Non-Stormwater Sample Collection

Water quality samples will be collected consistent with the dry weather requirements outlined in the receiving water monitoring section using the direct submersion, intermediate container, shallow sheet flow, or pumping methods described in **Section D.2.4.3** of this Attachment.

D.2.4.7 Stormborne Sediment Collection

No sediment collection sampling would be conducted under this program in the receiving waters. Data from the BIGHT analysis will be used to evaluate data and applicability of control measures.

D.2.4.8 Bioaccumulation Sample Collection

No Bioaccumulation sampling will be conducted under this program.

D.2.4.9 Trash Monitoring

The Beach Cities WMG members are implementing the Santa Monica Bay Debris TMDLs through the installation of full capture devices. As such, no specific monitoring is required or will be conducted for the Santa Monica Bay Debris TMDLs for these jurisdictions.

D.2.4.10 Plastic Pellet Monitoring

See **Appendix A** for details on plastic pellet monitoring and reporting requirements.

D.2.4.11 Quality Control Sample Collection

Quality control samples will be collected in conjunction with representative samples to verify data quality. Quality control samples collected in the field will generally be collected in the same manner as environmental samples. Detailed descriptions of quality control samples are presented in **Section D.3** of this Attachment.

D.3 Quality Assurance/Quality Control

This section describes the quality assurance and quality control requirements and processes. Quality control samples will be collected in conjunction with environmental samples to verify data quality. Quality control samples collected in the field will generally be collected in the same manner as environmental samples. There are no requirements for quality control for field analysis of general parameters (e.g., temperature, pH, conductivity, dissolved oxygen, and pH) outlined in the SWAMP. However, field crews will be required to calibrate equipment as outlined in **Section D.2** of this Attachment. **Table D-12** presents the quality assurance parameter addressed by each quality assurance requirement as well as the appropriate corrective action if the acceptance limit is exceeded.

Table D-12 Quality Control Requirements

| Quality Control Sample Type | QA Parameter | Frequency ⁽¹⁾ | Acceptance Limits | Corrective Action |
|---|---------------|----------------------------------|--|--|
| Quality Control Requirements – Field | | | | |
| Equipment Blanks | Contamination | 5% of all samples ⁽²⁾ | <MDL | Identify equipment contamination source. Qualify data as needed. |
| Field Blank | Contamination | 5% of all samples | <MDL | Examine field log. Identify contamination source. Qualify data as needed. |
| Field Duplicate | Precision | 5% of all samples | RPD < 25% if Difference > RL | Reanalyze both samples if possible. Identify variability source. Qualify data as needed. |
| Quality Control Requirements – Laboratory | | | | |
| Method Blank | Contamination | 1 per analytical batch | < MDL | Identify contamination source. Reanalyze method blank and all samples in batch. Qualify data as needed. |
| Lab Duplicate | Precision | 1 per analytical batch | RPD < 25% if Difference > RL | Recalibrate and reanalyze. |
| Matrix Spike | Accuracy | 1 per analytical batch | 80-120% recovery for GWQC | Check LCS/CRM recovery. Attempt to correct matrix problem and reanalyze samples. Qualify data as needed. |
| | | | 75-125% for Metals | |
| | | | 50-150% Recovery for Pesticides ⁽³⁾ | |
| Matrix Duplicate | Precision | 1 per analytical batch | RPD < 30% if Difference > RL | Check lab duplicate RPD. Attempt to correct matrix interference and reanalyze samples. Qualify data as needed. |
| Laboratory Control Sample (or CRM or Blank Spike) | Accuracy | 1 per analytical batch | 80-120% Recovery for GWQC | Recalibrate and reanalyze LCS/ CRM and samples. |
| | | | 75-125% for Metals | |
| | | | 50-150% Recovery for Pesticides ⁽³⁾ | |
| Blank Spike Duplicate | Precision | 1 per analytical batch | RPD < 25% if Difference > RL | Check lab duplicate RPD. Attempt to correct matrix problem and reanalyze samples. Qualify data as needed. |
| Surrogate Spike | Accuracy | Each environmental and | 30-150% Recovery ³ | Check surrogate recovery in LCS. Attempt to correct |

Table D-12 Quality Control Requirements

| Quality Control Sample Type | QA Parameter | Frequency ⁽¹⁾ | Acceptance Limits | Corrective Action |
|-----------------------------|--------------|--------------------------|-------------------|--|
| (Organics Only) | | lab QC sample | | matrix problem and reanalyze sample. Qualify data as needed. |

MDL = Method Detection Limit RL = Reporting Limit RPD = Relative Percent Difference

LCS = Laboratory Control Sample/Standard CRM = Certified/ Standard Reference Material

GWQC = General Water Quality Constituents

“Analytical batch” refers to a number of samples (not to exceed 20 environmental samples plus the associated quality control samples) that are similar in matrix type and processed/prepared together under the same conditions and same reagents (equivalent to preparation batch).

Equipment blanks will be collected by the field crew before using the equipment to collect sample.

Or control limits set at + 3 standard deviations based on actual laboratory data.

D.3.1 QA/QC Requirements and Objectives

D.3.1.1 Comparability

Comparability of the data can be defined as the similarity of data generated by different monitoring programs. For this monitoring program, this objective will be ensured mainly through use of standardized procedures for field measurements, sample collection, sample preparation, laboratory analysis, and site selection; adherence to quality assurance protocols and holding times; and reporting in standard units. Additionally, comparability of analytical data will be addressed through the use of standard operating procedures and extensive analyst training at the analyzing laboratory.

D.3.1.2 Representativeness

Representativeness can be defined as the degree to which the environmental data generated by the monitoring program accurately and precisely represent actual environmental conditions. For the CIMP, this objective will be addressed by the overall design of the program. Representativeness is attained through the selection of sampling locations, methods, and frequencies for each parameter of interest, and by maintaining the integrity of each sample after collection. Sampling locations were chosen that are representative of various areas within the watershed and discharges from the MS4, which will allow for the characterization of the watershed and impacts MS4 discharges may have on water quality.

D.3.1.3 Completeness

Data completeness is a measure of the amount of successfully collected and validated data relative to the amount of data planned to be collected for the project. It is usually expressed as a percentage value. A project objective for percent completeness is typically based on the percentage of the data needed for the program or study to reach valid conclusions.

Because the CIMP is intended to be a long term monitoring program, data that are not successfully collected during a specific sample event will not be recollected at a later date. Rather subsequent events conducted over the course of the monitoring will provide robust data sets to appropriately characterize conditions at individual sampling sites and the watershed in general. For this reason, most of the data planned for collection cannot be considered absolutely critical, and it is difficult to set a meaningful objective for data completeness.

However, some reasonable objectives for data are desirable, if only to measure the effectiveness of the program when conditions allow for the collection of samples (i.e., flow is present). The program goals for data completeness, shown in **Table D-4**, are based on the planned sampling frequency, SWAMP recommendations, and a subjective determination of the relative importance of the monitoring element within the CIMP. If, however, sampling sites do not allow for the collection of enough samples to provide representative data due to conditions (i.e., no flow) alternate sites will be considered. Data completeness will be evaluated on a yearly basis.

D.3.2 QA/QC Field Procedures

Quality control samples to be prepared in the field will consist of equipment blanks, field blanks, and field duplicates as described below.

D.3.2.1 Equipment Blanks

The purpose of analyzing equipment blanks is to demonstrate that sampling equipment is free from contamination. Equipment blanks will be collected by the analytical laboratory responsible for cleaning equipment and analyzed for relevant pollutants before sending the equipment to the field crew. Equipment blanks will consist of laboratory-prepared blank water (certified to be contaminant-free by the laboratory) processed through the sampling equipment that will be used to collect environmental samples.

The equipment blanks will be analyzed using the same analytical methods specified for environmental samples. If any analytes of interest are detected at levels greater than the MDL, the source(s) of contamination will be identified and eliminated (if possible), the affected batch of equipment will be re-cleaned, and new equipment blanks will be prepared and analyzed before the equipment is returned to the field crew for use.

D.3.2.2 Field Blanks

The purpose of analyzing field blanks is to demonstrate that sampling procedures do not result in contamination of the environmental samples. Per the Quality Assurance Management Plan for SWAMP (SWRCB, 2008) field blanks are to be collected as follows:

- At a frequency of 5% of samples collected for the following constituents: trace metals in water (including mercury), VOC samples in water and sediment, DOC samples in water, and bacteria samples.
- Field blanks for other media and analytes should be conducted upon initiation of sampling, and if field blank performance is acceptable (as described in **Table D-12**), further collection and analysis of field blanks for these other media and analytes need only be performed on an as-needed basis, or during field performance audits. An as-needed basis for the Beach Cities WMG CIMP will be annually.

Field blanks will consist of laboratory-prepared blank water (certified to be contaminant-free by the laboratory) processed through the sampling equipment using the same procedures used for environmental samples.

If any analytes of interest are detected at levels greater than the MDL, the source(s) of contamination should be identified and eliminated, if possible. The sampling crew should be notified so that the source of contamination can be identified (if possible) and corrective measures taken prior to the next sampling event.

D.3.2.3 Field Duplicates

The purpose of analyzing field duplicates is to demonstrate the precision of sampling and analytical processes. Field duplicates will be prepared at the rate of 5% of all samples, and analyzed along with the associated environmental samples. Field duplicates will consist of two samples collected simultaneously, to the extent practicable. If the Relative Percent Difference (RPD) of field duplicate results is greater than the percentage stated in **Table D-12** and the absolute difference is greater than the RL, both samples should be reanalyzed, if possible. The sampling crew should be notified so that the source of sampling variability can be identified (if possible) and corrective measures taken prior to the next sampling event.

D.3.3 QA/QC Laboratory Analyses

Quality control samples prepared in the laboratory will consist of method blanks, laboratory duplicates, matrix spikes/duplicates, laboratory control samples (standard reference materials), and toxicity quality controls.

D.3.3. 1 Method Blanks

The purpose of analyzing method blanks is to demonstrate that sample preparation and analytical procedures do not result in sample contamination. Method blanks will be prepared and analyzed by the contract laboratory at a rate of at least one for each analytical batch. Method blanks will consist of laboratory-prepared blank water processed along with the batch of environmental samples. If the result for a single method blank is greater than the MDL, or if the average blank concentration plus two standard deviations of three or more blanks is greater than the RL, the source(s) of contamination should be corrected, and the associated samples should be reanalyzed.

D.3.3.2 Laboratory Blanks

The purpose of analyzing laboratory duplicates is to demonstrate the precision of the sample preparation and analytical methods. Laboratory duplicates will be analyzed at the rate of one pair per sample batch. Laboratory duplicates will consist of duplicate laboratory fortified method blanks. If the RPD for any analyte is greater than the percentage stated in **Table D-12** and the absolute difference between duplicates is greater than the RL, the analytical process is not being performed adequately for that analyte. In this case, the sample batch should be prepared again, and laboratory duplicates should be reanalyzed.

D.3.3.3 Matrix Spikes and Matrix Spike Duplicates

The purpose of analyzing matrix spikes and matrix spike duplicates is to demonstrate the performance of the sample preparation and analytical methods in a particular sample matrix. Matrix spikes and matrix spike duplicates will be analyzed at the rate of one pair per sample batch. Each matrix spike and matrix spike duplicate will consist of an aliquot of laboratory-fortified environmental sample. Spike concentrations should be added at five to ten times the reporting limit for the analyte of interest.

If the matrix spike recovery of any analyte is outside the acceptable range, the results for that analyte have failed to meet acceptance criteria. If recovery of laboratory control samples is acceptable, the analytical process is being performed adequately for that analyte, and the problem is attributable to the sample matrix. An attempt will be made to correct the problem (e.g., by dilution, concentration, etc.), and the samples and matrix spikes will be re-analyzed.

If the matrix spike duplicate RPD for any analyte is outside the acceptable range, the results for that analyte have failed to meet acceptance criteria. If the RPD for laboratory duplicates is acceptable, the analytical process is being performed adequately for that analyte, and the problem is attributable to the sample matrix. An attempt will be made to correct the problem (e.g., by dilution, concentration, etc.), and the samples and matrix spikes will be re-analyzed.

D.3.3.4 Laboratory Control Samples

The purpose of analyzing laboratory control samples (or a standard reference material) is to demonstrate the accuracy of the sample preparation and analytical methods. Laboratory control samples will be analyzed at the rate of one per sample batch. Laboratory control samples will consist of laboratory fortified method blanks or a standard reference material. If recovery of any analyte is outside the acceptable range, the analytical process is not being performed adequately for that analyte. In this case, the sample batch should be prepared again, and the laboratory control sample should be reanalyzed.

D.3.3.5 Surrogate Spikes

Surrogate recovery results are used to evaluate the accuracy of analytical measurements for organics analyses on a sample-specific basis. A surrogate is a compound (or compounds) added by the laboratory to method blanks, samples, matrix spikes, and matrix spike duplicates prior to sample preparation, as specified in the analytical methodology. Surrogates are generally brominated, fluorinated or isotopically labeled compounds that are not usually present in environmental media. Results are expressed as percent recovery of the surrogate spike. Surrogate spikes are applicable for analysis of semi-volatile, PCBs and pesticides.

D.3.3.6 Toxicity Quality Control

For aquatic toxicity tests, the acceptability of test results is determined primarily by performance-based criteria for test organisms, culture and test conditions, and the results of control bioassays. Control bioassays include monthly reference toxicant testing. Test acceptability requirements are documented in the method documents for each bioassay method.

D.4 Instrument/Equipment Calibration and Frequency

Frequencies and procedures for calibration of analytical equipment used by each contract laboratory are documented in the QA Manual for that laboratory. Any deficiencies in analytical equipment calibration should be managed in accordance with the QA Manual for each contract laboratory. Any deficiencies that affect analysis of samples submitted through this program must

be reported to the Beach Cities WMG. Laboratory QA Manuals are available for review at the analyzing laboratory.

Appendix E
Survey of Laboratory Minimum Levels
(Table E-2) Summary

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Summary of Laboratory Capabilities

| Analytical Method | Analyte | Permit ML | Unit | Advanced Technology Laboratories | | | BSK Associates | | CalScience Laboratories | | | ES Babcock | | | Orange Coast | | | Weck Labs | | |
|--|--|------------------|-----------|----------------------------------|------------------|------------|----------------|--------|-------------------------|--------------------|---------|------------------|-------------------|---------------------------------------|--------------|-------------------|---------------------|--------------|-----------------|------------------|
| | | | | PQL | MDL | Comment | MRL | MDL | RL | MDL | Comment | MRL | MDL | Comment | MRL | MDL | Comment | MRL | MDL | |
| Conventional Pollutants | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| EPA 1664A | Oil and Grease | 5 | mg/L | 2 | 1.9 | | 5 | 0.718 | | | | 2.5 | 0.92 | | | | | 5 | 1.3 | |
| EPA 413.2 | Oil and Grease | 5 | mg/L | | | | | | 1 | 0.33 | | | | | | | | | | |
| SM 5220B | Oil and Grease | 5 | mg/L | | | | 5 | 0.718 | | | | | | | | 5 | 2.64 | | | |
| EPA 420.1 | Total Phenols | 0.1 | mg/L | 0.03 | 0.02 | | a | a | 0.1 | 0.046 | | | | | | 0.5 ^b | 0.033 ^b | 0.1 possible | 0.01 | 0.0042 |
| EPA 420.4 | Total Phenols | 0.1 | mg/L | | | | a | a | | | | 0.02 | 0.016 | | | | | | | |
| SM 4500-CN- E | Cyanide | 0.005 | mg/L | 0.0005 | 0.00019 | | 0.005 | 0.0017 | 0.001 | 0.00069 | | 0.005 | 0.0049 | | | 0.02 ^a | 0.0059 ^a | | | |
| ASTM D7511 | Cyanide | 0.005 | mg/L | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | 0.002 | 0.00048 | |
| SM 4500-H+ B | pH | 0 - 14 | pH | 0.1 | 0.1 | Field test | a | a | 0.01 | 0.01 | | 1 | 1 | | | 0-14 | 0-14 | | 0.1 | 0.1 |
| SM 2550B | Temperature | N/A | C | N/A | N/A | Field test | a | a | | | | 1 | 1 | | | | | | | |
| SM 4500-O G | Dissolved Oxygen | Sensitivity to 5 | mg/L | 1 | 1 | Field test | a | a | 0.01 | 0.01 | | 0.1 | 0.1 | | | 0.1 | 0.1 | | 1 | 0.5 |
| Bacteria (single sample limits) | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| SM9221B | Total coliform (marine waters) | 10,000 | MPN/100ml | a | a | | 2 | | 1 | 1 | | 2 | 2 | | | a | a | contract | 2 | |
| SM9221B/E | Enterococcus (marine waters) | 104 | MPN/100ml | a | a | | a | a | 1 | 1 | | | | | | a | a | contract | 1 | |
| SM 9230B | Enterococcus (marine waters) | 104 | MPN/100ml | a | a | | a | a | | | | 2 | 2 | | | a | a | contract | | |
| SM 9221E | Fecal coliform (marine & fresh waters) | 400 | MPN/100ml | a | a | | 2 | | | | | 2 | 2 | | | a | a | contract | 2 | |
| SM9230B | Fecal coliform (marine & fresh waters) | 400 | MPN/100ml | a | a | | | | 1 | 1 | | | | | | a | a | contract | | |
| SM 9221E | E. coli (fresh waters) | 235 | MPN/100ml | a | a | | | | | | | 2 | 2 | | | a | a | contract | | |
| SM9221B/F | E. coli (fresh waters) | 235 | MPN/100ml | a | a | | 2 | | 1 | 1 | | | | | | a | a | contract | 2 | |
| General | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| SM 4500-P E | Dissolved Phosphorus | 0.05 | mg/L | | | | 0.01 | 0.007 | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| SM 4500-P E | Dissolved Phosphorus | 0.05 | mg/L | 0.01 | 0.01 | | | | 0.1 ^b | 0.026 ^b | | | | | | 0.05 | 0.0076 | | 0.01 | 0.00083 |
| SM 4500-P B | Dissolved Phosphorus | 0.05 | mg/L | | | | | | | | | 0.05 | 0.014 | | | | | | | |
| SM 4500-P E | Total Phosphorus | 0.05 | mg/L | 0.01 | 0.01 | | | | 0.1 ^b | 0.022 ^b | | | | | | 0.05 | 0.0076 | | 0.01 | 0.0014 |
| SM 4500-P B | Total Phosphorus | 0.05 | mg/L | | | | | | | | | 0.05 | 0.014 | | | | | | | |
| EPA 365.4 | Total Phosphorus | 0.05 | mg/L | | | | 0.01 | 0.0068 | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| SM 2130 B | Turbidity | 0.1 | NTU | | | Field test | 0.1 | N/A | 0.05 | 0.044 | | 0.2 | 0.1 | | | | | | | |
| EPA 180.1 | Turbidity | 0.1 | NTU | 0.1 | 0.1 | Field test | | | | | | | | | | 0.5 | 0.064 | | 0.1 | 0.024 |
| SM 2540D | Total Suspended Solids | 2 | mg/L | 1 | 1 | | 5 ^b | N/A | 1 | 0.95 | | 5 ^a | 2.8 ^a | may reach with J flag or out of reach | | 2 | 2 | | 2 | |
| SM 2540C | Total Dissolved Solids | 2 | mg/L | 10 ^a | 10 ^a | | 1 | N/A | 1 | 0.82 | | 10 ^a | 5.5 ^a | may reach with J flag or out of reach | | 10 ^a | 7.99 ^a | | 10 ^a | 4 ^a |
| SM 2540E | Volatile Suspended Solids | 2 | mg/L | 10 ^a | 5 ^a | | 5 ^b | N/A | 1 | 1 | | | | | | | | | a | a |
| EPA 160.4 | Volatile Suspended Solids | 2 | mg/L | 10 ^a | 5 ^a | | | | | | | 5 ^a | 5 ^a | may reach with J flag or out of reach | | 5 ^a | 3.1 ^a | | 5 ^a | 3.1 ^a |
| SM 5310B | Total Organic Carbon | 1 | mg/L | 0.3 | 0.09 | | 0.2 | 0.047 | 0.5 | 0.24 | | 0.7 | 0.16 | | | 1 | 0.388 | | | |
| EPA 1664A | Total Petroleum Hydrocarbon | 5 | mg/L | 2 | 0.61 | | 1 | 0.72 | 1 | 0.8 | | | | | | 5 | | | a | a |
| EPA 418.1 | Total Petroleum Hydrocarbon | 5 | mg/L | | | | | | 1 | 0.95 | | 1 | 0.5 | | | | | | | |
| SM 5210 B | Biochemical Oxygen Demand | 2 | mg/L | 5 ^a | 5 ^a | | 1 | N/A | 1 | 0.58 | | 2 | 1 | | | 2 | 2 | | 2 | 2 |
| EPA 410.4 | Chemical Oxygen Demand | 20-900 | mg/L | 5 | 4.4 | | 3 | N/A | | | | | | | | 15 | 3.5 | | 5 | 0.73 |
| SM 5220 C | Chemical Oxygen Demand | 20-900 | mg/L | | | | | | 5 | 4.8 | | | | | | | | | | |
| SM 5220 D | Chemical Oxygen Demand | 20-900 | mg/L | | | | 3 | 1.1 | | | | 10 | 6.3 | | | | | | | |
| SM 4500-NH3 C | Total Ammonia-Nitrogen | 0.1 | mg/L | 0.03 | 0.02 | | 0.1 | 0.029 | 0.1 | 0.067 | | 0.1 | 0.059 | | | 0.05 | 0.0345 | | 0.1 | 0.048 |
| EPA 351.2 | Total Kjeldahl Nitrogen | 0.1 | mg/L | 0.1 | 0.05 | | 0.1 | 0.055 | 0.2 ^b | 0.047 ^b | | 0.1 | 0.063 | | | 0.1 | | | 0.1 | 0.05 |
| SM4500-NH3 C | Total Kjeldahl Nitrogen | 0.1 | mg/L | 0.1 | 0.05 | | | | | | | | | | | 0.1 | | | | |
| SM 4500-NO3 F | Nitrate-Nitrite | 0.1 | mg/L | 0.1 | 0.03 | | 0.1 | 0.033 | 0.1 | 0.029 | | 0.2 ^a | 0.11 ^a | may reach with J flag or out of reach | | 0.1 | | | 0.1 | 0.02 |
| SM 2320B | Alkalinity | 2 | mg/L | 5 ^b | 1.6 ^b | | 3 ^b | N/A | | | | 3 ^b | 1.7 ^b | may reach with J flag or out of reach | | 2 | 4.75 | | 2 | 0.56 |
| EPA 120.1 | Specific Conductance | 1 | umho/cm | 0.1 | 0.1 | Field test | 1 | N/A | | | | | | | | 10 | 0.44 | | | |
| SM 2510 B | Specific Conductance | 1 | umho/cm | | | Field test | | | 1 | 0.5 | | 1 | 1 | | | | | | 1 | 0.23 |
| SM 2340C | Total Hardness | 2 | mg/L | 2 | 0.45 | | | | 2 | 0.99 | | | | | | 1 | 0.799 | | | |
| SM 2340B/EP | Total Hardness | 2 | mg/L | | | | | | | | | 3 ^b | 0.5 ^b | may reach with J flag or out of reach | | | | | | |
| EPA 200.7 | Total Hardness | 2 | mg/L | | | | 0.1 | 0.0455 | | | | | | | | | | | 0.1 | 0.016 |

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| Analytical Method | Analyte | Permit ML | Unit | Advanced Technology Laboratories | | | BSK Associates | | CalScience Laboratories | | | ES Babcock | | | Orange Coast | | | Weck Labs | |
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| | | | | PQL | MDL | Comment | MRL | MDL | RL | MDL | Comment | MRL | MDL | Comment | MRL | MDL | Comment | MRL | MDL |
| SM 5540C | MBAS | 0.5 | mg/L | 0.05 | 0.02 | | 0.05 | 0.0055 | 0.1 | 0.064 | | 0.05 | 0.035 | | 0.05 | 0.0477 | | 0.05 | 0.019 |
| EPA 300.0 | Chloride | 2 | mg/L | 0.5 | 0.05 | | 1 | 0.45 | 1 | 0.12 | | 1 | 1 | | 0.1 | 0.033 | | 0.5 | 0.1 |
| EPA 300.0 | Fluoride | 0.1 | mg/L | 0.1 | 0.06 | | | | 0.1 | 0.025 | | | | | 0.1 | 0.015 | | 0.1 | 0.02 |
| SM 4500-F C | Fluoride | 0.1 | mg/L | | | | 0.1 | 0.015 | | | | 0.1 | 0.05 | | | | | | |
| EPA 624 | Methyl tertiary butyl ether (MTBE) | 1 | mg/L | 0.0005 | 0.000259 | | | | 0.0005 | 0.000059 | 524.2 | 0.003 | 0.00043 | | | | | 1 | 0.25 |
| EPA 8260B | Methyl tertiary butyl ether (MTBE) | 1 | mg/L | | | | 0.5 | 0.1 | | | | | | | 1 | 0.2 | | | |
| EPA 314.0 | Perchlorate | 4 | µg/L | 2 | 0.91 | | 2 | 0.18 | | | | 4 | 0.49 | | 2 | 0.391 | | 2 | 0.95 |
| EPA 331.0 (M) | Perchlorate | 4 | µg/L | | | | | | 0.1 | 0.021 | | | | | | | | | |
| Metals (Total & Dissolved) | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| EPA 200.8 | Aluminum | 100 | µg/L | 5 | 7.6 | | 5 | 2.9 | | | | | | | 5 | 0.354 | | 5 | 2.1 |
| EPA 200.7 | Aluminum | 100 | µg/L | | | | | | | | | 100 | 25 | | | | | | |
| EPA 1640 | Aluminum | 100 | µg/L | | | | | | 1 | 0.227 | | | | | | | | | |
| EPA 200.8 | Antimony | 0.5 | µg/L | 0.5 | 0.11 | | 0.5 | 0.34 | | | | 0.5 | 0.25 | | 0.5 | 0.0155 | | 0.5 | 0.034 |
| EPA 1640 | Antimony | 0.5 | µg/L | | | | | | 0.05 | 0.0154 | | | | | | | | | |
| EPA 200.8 | Arsenic | 1 | µg/L | 1 | 0.93 | | 0.1 | 0.041 | | | | 1 | 0.5 | | 0.5 | 0.277 | | 0.4 | 0.13 |
| EPA 1640 | Arsenic | 1 | µg/L | | | | | | 0.03 | 0.0122 | | | | | | | | | |
| EPA 200.8 | Beryllium | 0.5 | µg/L | 0.5 | 0.11 | | 0.5 | 0.36 | | | | 0.5 | 0.25 | | 0.1 | 0.0122 | | 0.1 | 0.015 |
| EPA 1640 | Beryllium | 0.5 | µg/L | | | | | | 0.5 | 0.0635 | | | | | | | | | |
| EPA 200.8 | Cadmium | 0.25 | µg/L | 0.5 ^b | 0.07 ^b | | 0.25 | 0.025 | | | | 0.25 | 0.12 | | 0.1 | 0.0169 | | 0.1 | 0.017 |
| EPA 1640 | Cadmium | 0.25 | µg/L | | | | | | 0.03 | 0.00567 | | | | | | | | | |
| EPA 218.6 | Chromium (Hexavalent) | 5 | µg/L | 0.2 | 0.06 | | 0.2 | 0.027 | | | | 1 | 0.013 | | 0.3 | | | 0.3 | 0.0048 |
| EPA 7199 | Chromium (Hexavalent) | 5 | µg/L | | | | | | 1 | 0.067 | | | | | | | | | |
| EPA 200.8 | Chromium (total) | 0.5 | µg/L | 0.5 | 0.21 | | 0.5 | 0.17 | | | | 0.5 | 0.4 | | 0.5 | 0.0702 | | 0.2 | 0.024 |
| EPA 1640 | Chromium (total) | 0.5 | µg/L | | | | | | 0.5 | 0.164 | | | | | | | | | |
| EPA 200.8 | Copper | 0.5 | µg/L | 1 ^b | 0.18 ^b | | 0.5 | 0.33 | | | | 0.5 | 0.4 | | 0.1 | 0.0375 | | 0.5 | 0.036 |
| EPA 1640 | Copper | 0.5 | µg/L | | | | | | 0.03 | 0.00898 | | | | | | | | | |
| EPA 200.8 | Iron | 100 | µg/L | 10 | 5.7 | | 10 | 0.61 | | | | | | | 10 | 1.86 | | | |
| EPA 200.7 | Iron | 100 | µg/L | | | | | | | | | 50 | 2.3 | | | | | 0.01 | 0.011 |
| EPA 1640 | Iron | 100 | µg/L | | | | | | 0.5 | 0.0634 | | | | | | | | | |
| EPA 200.8 | Lead | 0.5 | µg/L | 1 ^b | 0.08 ^b | | 0.1 | 0.034 | | | | 0.5 | 0.25 | | 0.1 | 0.0745 | | 0.2 | 0.024 |
| EPA 1640 | Lead | 0.5 | µg/L | | | | | | 0.03 | 0.0135 | | | | | | | | | |
| EPA 245.1 | Mercury | 0.5 | µg/L | 0.2 | 0.06 | | | | | | | | | | | | | 0.05 | 0.0039 |
| EPA 200.8 | Mercury | 0.5 | µg/L | | | | 0.2 | 0.091 | | | | | | | 1 ^b | 0.02 ^b | | | |
| EPA 200.8 | Mercury | 0.5 | µg/L | | | | | | | | | 0.2 | 0.033 | | | | | | |
| EPA 7470A | Mercury | 0.5 | µg/L | | | | | | 0.2 | 0.0453 | | | | | | | | | |
| EPA 200.8 | Nickel | 1 | µg/L | 1 | 0.12 | | 1 | 0.05 | | | | 1 | 0.5 | | 0.5 | 0.0326 | | 0.8 | 0.091 |
| EPA 1640 | Nickel | 1 | µg/L | | | | | | 0.05 | 0.00607 | | | | | | | | | |
| EPA 200.8 | Selenium | 1 | µg/L | 5 ^b | 0.28 ^b | | 1 | 0.14 | | | | 1 | 0.5 | | 0.5 | 0.18 | | 0.04 | 0.081 |
| EPA 1640 | Selenium | 1 | µg/L | | | | | | 0.05 | 0.0121 | | | | | | | | | |
| EPA 200.8 | Silver | 0.25 | µg/L | 0.5 ^b | 0.08 ^b | | 0.25 | 0.2 | | | | 0.25 | 0.12 | | 0.5 ^b | 0.0581 ^b | | 0.2 | 0.012 |
| EPA 1640 | Silver | 0.25 | µg/L | | | | | | 0.05 | 0.00822 | | | | | | | | | |
| EPA 200.8 | Thallium | 1 | µg/L | 0.5 | 0.09 | | 1 | 0.21 | | | | 1 | 0.5 | | 0.5 | 0.0119 | | 0.2 | 0.034 |
| EPA 1640 | Thallium | 1 | µg/L | | | | | | 0.03 | 0.0087 | | | | | | | | | |
| EPA 200.8 | Zinc | 1 | µg/L | 10 ^a | 4.8 ^a | | 1 | 0.45 | | | | 1 | 0.66 | | 1 | 0.356 | | 1 | 0.5 |
| EPA 1640 | Zinc | 1 | µg/L | | | | | | 0.5 | 0.0736 | | | | | | | | | |
| Semivolatile Organic Compounds | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Acids | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| EPA 625 | 2-Chlorophenol | 2 | µg/L | 5 ^b | 1.6 ^b | | 0.5 | 0.11 | 0.5 | 0.13 | | 2 | 1.8 | | | | | 1 | 0.28 |
| EPA 8270 | 2-Chlorophenol | 2 | µg/L | | | | | | | | | | | | 2 | 0.02 | | | |

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| Analytical Method | Analyte | Permit ML | Unit | Advanced Technology Laboratories | | | BSK Associates | | CalScience Laboratories | | | ES Babcock | | | Orange Coast | | | Weck Labs | |
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| | | | | PQL | MDL | Comment | MRL | MDL | RL | MDL | Comment | MRL | MDL | Comment | MRL | MDL | Comment | MRL | MDL |
| EPA 625 | 4-Chloro-3-methylphenol | 1 | µg/L | 5 ^a | 2.4 ^a | | 0.5 | 0.1 | 0.5 | 0.12 | | 1 | 1 | | | | | 1 | 0.23 |
| EPA 8270 | 4-Chloro-3-methylphenol | 1 | µg/L | | | | | | | | | | | | 1 | 0.06 | | | |
| EPA 625 | 2,4-Dichlorophenol | 1 | µg/L | 5 ^a | 2.1 ^a | | 0.5 | 0.1 | 0.5 | 0.12 | | 1 | 1 | | | | | 1 | 0.26 |
| EPA 8270 | 2,4-Dichlorophenol | 1 | µg/L | | | | | | | | | | | | 1 | 0.02 | | | |
| EPA 625 | 2,4-Dimethylphenol | 2 | µg/L | 5 ^b | 2 ^b | | 0.5 | 0.15 | 1 | 0.22 | | 1 | 1 | | | | | 1 | 0.3 |
| EPA 8270 | 2,4-Dimethylphenol | 2 | µg/L | | | | | | | | | | | | 2 | 0.06 | | | |
| EPA 625 | 2,4-Dinitrophenol | 5 | µg/L | 50 ^b | 3.5 ^b | | 1 | 0.27 | 5 | 1.3 | | 5 | 1.6 | | | | | 5 | 1.6 |
| EPA 8270 | 2,4-Dinitrophenol | 5 | µg/L | | | | | | | | | | | | 5 | 0.5 | | | |
| EPA 625 | 2-Nitrophenol | 10 | µg/L | 10 | 3 | | 0.5 | 0.21 | 0.5 | 0.11 | | 10 | 2.1 | | | | | 1 | 0.26 |
| EPA 8270 | 2-Nitrophenol | 10 | µg/L | | | | | | | | | | | | 5 | 0.02 | | | |
| EPA 625 | 4-Nitrophenol | 5 | µg/L | 50 ^b | 2.1 ^b | | 1 | 0.26 | 10 ^b | 0.52 ^b | | 5 | 1.1 | | | | | 5 | 0.45 |
| EPA 8270 | 4-Nitrophenol | 5 | µg/L | | | | | | | | | | | | 5 | 0.5 | | | |
| EPA 625 | Pentachlorophenol | 2 | µg/L | 20 ^b | 2.3 ^b | | 0.5 | 0.2 | 0.5 | 0.13 | | 1 | 1 | | | | | 1 | 0.19 |
| EPA 8151A | Pentachlorophenol | 2 | µg/L | | | | | | | | | 0.6 | 0.42 | | | | | | |
| EPA 515.3 | Pentachlorophenol | 2 | µg/L | | | | 0.2 | 0.011 | | | | | | | | | | | |
| EPA 8270 | Pentachlorophenol | 2 | µg/L | | | | | | | | | | | | 2 | 0.04 | | | |
| EPA 625 | Phenol | 1 | µg/L | 10 ^b | 0.78 ^b | | 0.5 | 0.1 | 0.5 | 0.06 | | 1 | 1 | | | | | 1 | 0.16 |
| EPA 8270 | Phenol | 1 | µg/L | | | | | | | | | | | | 1 | 0.02 | | | |
| EPA 625 | 2,4,6-Trichlorophenol | 10 | µg/L | 10 | 3 | | 0.5 | 0.14 | 0.5 | 0.15 | | 10 | 1.9 | | | | | 1 | 0.22 |
| EPA 8270 | 2,4,6-Trichlorophenol | 10 | µg/L | | | | | | | | | | | | 5 | 0.02 | | | |
| Base/Neutral | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| EPA 625 | Acenaphthene | 1 | µg/L | 10 ^b | 0.72 | | 0.01 | 0.004 | | | | | | | | | | 1 | 0.4 |
| EPA 625 SIM | Acenaphthene | 1 | µg/L | | | | | | | | | 0.05 | 0.05 | | | | | 0.1 | 0.1 |
| 8310/8270SIM | Acenaphthene | 1 | µg/L | | | | | | 0.2 | 0.021 | | | | | 0.05 | 0.03 | | | |
| EPA 625 | Acenaphthylene | 2 | µg/L | 10 ^b | 0.52 ^b | | 0.01 | 0.0023 | | | | | | | | | | 1 | 0.1 |
| 8310/8270SIM | Acenaphthylene | 2 | µg/L | | | | | | 0.2 | 0.018 | | | | | 0.05 | 0.005 | | | |
| EPA 625 SIM | Acenaphthylene | 2 | µg/L | | | | | | | | | 0.05 | 0.05 | | | | | 0.1 | 0.1 |
| EPA 625 | Anthracene | 2 | µg/L | 10 ^b | 0.54 ^b | | 0.01 | 0.002 | | | | | | | | | | 1 | 0.34 |
| EPA 625 SIM | Anthracene | 2 | µg/L | | | | | | | | | 0.05 | 0.05 | | | | | 0.1 | 0.1 |
| 8310/8270SIM | Anthracene | 2 | µg/L | | | | | | 0.2 | 0.034 | | | | | 0.05 | 0.02 | | | |
| EPA 625 | Benzidine | 5 | µg/L | 5 | 1.2 | | 5 | 1.4 | 5 | 2.2 | | 5 | 5 | | | | | 5 | 3.7 |
| 8270 | Benzidine | 5 | µg/L | | | | | | | | | | | | 5 | 0.2 | | | |
| EPA 625 | 1,2 Benzanthracene | 5 | µg/L | 10 ^b | 0.54 ^b | Benzo(a)Ant | | | | | | 0.05 | 0.05 | | | | | | |
| 8310/8270SIM | Benz(a)anthracene | 5 | µg/L | | | 1,2 Benzan | | | 0.2 | 0.024 | | | | | 0.05 | 0.02 | | | |
| EPA 625 | Benzo(a)pyrene | 2 | µg/L | 10 ^b | 1.8 ^b | | 0.01 | 0.0033 | | | | | | | | | | 1 | 0.13 |
| EPA 625 SIM | Benzo(a)pyrene | 2 | µg/L | | | | | | | | | 0.05 | 0.05 | | | | | 0.1 | 0.1 |
| EPA 525.2 | Benzo(a)pyrene | 2 | µg/L | | | | | | | | | 0.1 | 0.09 | | | | | | |
| 8310/8270SIM | Benzo(a)pyrene | 2 | µg/L | | | | | | 0.2 | 0.036 | | | | | 0.05 | 0.02 | | | |
| EPA 625 | Benzo(g,h,i)perylene | 5 | µg/L | 10 ^b | 0.76 ^b | | 0.01 | 0.0038 | | | | | | | | | | 2 | 0.1 |
| EPA 625 SIM | Benzo(g,h,i)perylene | 5 | µg/L | | | | | | | | | 0.05 | 0.05 | | | | | 0.1 | 0.1 |
| 8310/8270SIM | Benzo(g,h,i)perylene | 5 | µg/L | | | | | | 0.2 | 0.022 | | | | | 0.05 | 0.03 | | | |
| EPA 625 | 3,4 Benzofluoranthene | 10 | µg/L | 10 | 0.58 | Benzo(b)fluor | 10 | 0.00207 | | | | 0.05 | 0.05 | | | | | | |
| 8310/8270SIM | Benzo(b)fluoranthene | 10 | µg/L | | | 3,4 Benzofluoranth | | | 0.2 | 0.025 | | | | | 0.05 | 0.02 | | | |
| EPA 625 | Benzo(k)fluoranthene | 2 | µg/L | 10 ^b | 0.62 ^b | | 0.01 | 0.0028 | | | | | | | | | | 1 | 0.22 |
| 8310/8270SIM | Benzo(k)fluoranthene | 2 | µg/L | | | | | | 0.2 | 0.023 | | | | | 0.05 | 0.02 | | | |
| EPA 625 SIM | Benzo(k)fluoranthene | 2 | µg/L | | | | | | | | | 0.05 | 0.05 | | | | | 0.1 | 0.1 |
| EPA 625 | Bis(2-Chloroethoxy) methane | 5 | µg/L | 10 ^b | 0.58 ^b | | 0.5 | 0.1 | 0.5 | 0.066 | | 5 | 1.8 | | | | | 1 | 0.25 |
| 8270 | Bis(2-Chloroethoxy) methane | 5 | µg/L | | | | | | | | | | | | 5 | 0.07 | | | |
| EPA 625 | Bis(2-Chloroisopropyl) ether | 2 | µg/L | 2 | 1.2 | | 0.5 | 0.12 | 0.5 | 0.068 | | 2 | 1.9 | | | | | 1 | 0.38 |

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| Analytical Method | Analyte | Permit ML | Unit | Advanced Technology Laboratories | | | BSK Associates | | CalScience Laboratories | | | ES Babcock | | | Orange Coast | | | Weck Labs | |
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| | | | | PQL | MDL | Comment | MRL | MDL | RL | MDL | Comment | MRL | MDL | Comment | MRL | MDL | Comment | MRL | MDL |
| 8270 | Bis(2-Chloroisopropyl) ether | 2 | µg/L | | | | | | | | | | | | 2 | 0.03 | | | |
| EPA 625 | Bis(2-Chloroethyl) ether | 1 | µg/L | 5 ^b | 1.2 ^b | | 0.5 | 0.15 | 0.5 | 0.096 | | 1 | 1 | | | | | 1 | 0.27 |
| 8270 | Bis(2-Chloroethyl) ether | 1 | µg/L | | | | | | | | | | | | 1 | 0.03 | | | |
| EPA 625 | Bis(2-Ethylhexyl) phthalate | 5 | µg/L | 10 ^b | 0.63 ^b | | 1 | 0.29 | 5 | 0.91 | | 5 | 2.3 | | | | | 5 | 2.3 |
| 8270 | Bis(2-Ethylhexyl) phthalate | 5 | µg/L | | | | | | | | | | | | 3 | 0.06 | | | |
| EPA 625 | 4-Bromophenyl phenyl ether | 5 | µg/L | 10 ^b | 0.54 ^b | | 0.5 | 0.1 | 5 | 1.4 | | 5 | 1.6 | | | | | 1 | 0.36 |
| 8270 | 4-Bromophenyl phenyl ether | 5 | µg/L | | | | | | | | | | | | 5 | 0.04 | | | |
| EPA 625 | Butyl benzyl phthalate | 10 | µg/L | 10 | 0.56 | | 0.5 | 0.1 | 5 | 1.2 | | 10 | 1.6 | | | | | 1 | 0.18 |
| 8270 | Butyl benzyl phthalate | 10 | µg/L | | | | | | | | | | | | 5 | 0.03 | | | |
| EPA 625 | 2-Chloroethyl vinyl ether | 1 | µg/L | | | | | | 1 | 0.36 | | 5 ^b | 1 ^b | may reach with J flag or out of reach | | | | | |
| EPA 624 | 2-Chloroethyl vinyl ether | 1 | µg/L | 0.5 | 0.27 | | 1 | 0.39 | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 8260 | 2-Chloroethyl vinyl ether | 1 | µg/L | | | | | | | | | | | | 1 | 0.2 | | | |
| EPA 625 | 2-Chloronaphthalene | 10 | µg/L | 10 | 0.5 | | 0.5 | 0.1 | 5 | 1.4 | | 10 | 1.8 | | | | | 1 | 0.45 |
| 8270 | 2-Chloronaphthalene | 10 | µg/L | | | | | | | | | | | | 5 | 0.04 | | | |
| EPA 625 | 4-Chlorophenyl phenyl ether | 5 | µg/L | 10 ^b | 0.59 ^b | | 0.5 | 0.23 | 5 | 1.3 | | 5 | 1.8 | | | | | 1 | 0.41 |
| 8270 | 4-Chlorophenyl phenyl ether | 5 | µg/L | | | | | | | | | | | | 5 | 0.05 | | | |
| EPA 625 | Chrysene | 5 | µg/L | 10 ^b | 0.56 ^b | | 0.01 | 0.0011 | | | | | | | | | | 1 | 0.19 |
| EPA 625 SIM | Chrysene | 5 | µg/L | | | | | | | | | 0.05 | 0.05 | | | | | 0.1 | 0.1 |
| 8310/8270SIM | Chrysene | 5 | µg/L | | | | | | 0.2 | 0.019 | | | | | 0.05 | 0.02 | | | |
| EPA 625 | Dibenzo(a,h)anthracene | 0.1 | µg/L | 10 ^b | 0.72 ^b | | 0.01 | 0.0031 | | | | | | | | | | 2 | 0.08 |
| EPA 625 SIM | Dibenzo(a,h)anthracene | 0.1 | µg/L | | | | | | | | | 0.05 | 0.05 | | | | | 0.1 | 0.1 |
| 8310/8270SIM | Dibenzo(a,h)anthracene | 0.1 | µg/L | | | | | | 0.2 ^b | 0.027 ^b | | | | | 0.05 | 0.01 | | | |
| EPA 625 | 1,3-Dichlorobenzene | 1 | µg/L | 10 ^b | 0.56 ^b | | 0.5 | 0.1 | 1 | 0.27 | | | | | | | | 1 | 0.53 |
| EPA 624 | 1,3-Dichlorobenzene | 1 | µg/L | | | | | | | | | 0.5 | 0.15 | | | | | | |
| 8270 | 1,3-Dichlorobenzene | 1 | µg/L | | | | | | | | | | | | 1 | 0.03 | | | |
| EPA 625 | 1,4-Dichlorobenzene | 1 | µg/L | 10 ^b | 0.66 ^b | | 0.5 | 0.1 | 1 | 0.29 | | 1 | 1 | | | | | 1 | 0.55 |
| EPA 624 | 1,4-Dichlorobenzene | 1 | µg/L | | | | | | | | | 0.5 | 0.072 | | | | | | |
| 8270 | 1,4-Dichlorobenzene | 1 | µg/L | | | | | | | | | | | | 1 | 0.03 | | | |
| EPA 625 | 1,2-Dichlorobenzene | 1 | µg/L | 10 | 0.65 | | 0.5 | 0.1 | 1 | 0.23 | | 2 | 1.8 | | | | | 1 | 0.57 |
| EPA 624 | 1,2-Dichlorobenzene | 1 | µg/L | 0.5 | 0.44 | | | | | | | 0.5 | 0.2 | | | | | | |
| 8270 | 1,2-Dichlorobenzene | 1 | µg/L | | | | | | | | | | | | 1 | 0.02 | | | |
| EPA 625 | 3,3'-Dichlorobenzidine | 5 | µg/L | 5 | 3.3 | | 1 | 0.54 | 5 | 1.2 | | 5 | 2.1 | | | | | 5 | 1.2 |
| 8270 | 3,3'-Dichlorobenzidine | 5 | µg/L | | | | | | | | | | | | 5 | 0.4 | | | |
| EPA 625 | Diethyl phthalate | 2 | µg/L | 10 ^b | 0.55 ^b | | 0.5 | 0.1 | 0.5 | 0.1 | | 2 | 1.8 | | | | | 1 | 0.15 |
| 8270 | Diethyl phthalate | 2 | µg/L | | | | | | | | | | | | 2 | 0.03 | | | |
| EPA 625 | Dimethyl phthalate | 2 | µg/L | 10 ^b | 0.63 | | 0.5 | 0.1 | 0.5 | 0.11 | | 2 | 1.7 | | | | | 1 | 0.18 |
| 8270 | Dimethyl phthalate | 2 | µg/L | | | | | | | | | | | | 2 | 0.03 | | | |
| EPA 625 | di-n-Butyl phthalate | 10 | µg/L | 10 | 0.7 | | 0.5 | 0.14 | 0.5 | 0.073 | | 10 | 1.9 | | | | | 1 | 0.24 |
| 8270 | Di-n-butyl phthalate | 10 | µg/L | | | | | | | | | | | | 5 | 0.05 | | | |
| EPA 625 | 2,4-Dinitrotoluene | 5 | µg/L | 10 ^b | 0.83 ^b | | 0.5 | 0.1 | 0.5 | 0.15 | | 5 | 1.8 | | | | | 1 | 0.18 |
| 8270 | 2,4-Dinitrotoluene | 5 | µg/L | | | | | | | | | | | | 5 | 0.02 | | | |
| EPA 625 | 2,6-Dinitrotoluene | 5 | µg/L | 10 ^b | 0.7 ^b | | 0.5 | 0.36 | 5 | 1.2 | | 5 | 1.9 | | | | | 1 | 0.27 |
| 8270 | 2,6-Dinitrotoluene | 5 | µg/L | | | | | | | | | | | | 5 | 0.05 | | | |
| EPA 625 | 4,6 Dinitro-2-methylphenol | 5 | µg/L | 50 ^b | 3.5 ^b | | 0.5 | 0.11 | 5 | 1.1 | | 5 | 1.8 | | | | | 5 | 1.7 |
| 8270 | 4,6-Dinitro-2-methylphenol | 5 | µg/L | | | | | | | | | | | | 5 | 0.03 | | | |
| EPA 625 | 1,2-Diphenylhydrazine | 1 | µg/L | 10 ^b | 0.62 ^b | | 0.5 | 0.1 | 0.5 | 0.098 | | 1 | 1 | | | | | 1 | 0.25 |
| 8270 | 1,2-Diphenylhydrazine | 1 | µg/L | | | | | | | | | | | | 1 | 0.06 | | | |
| EPA 625 | di-n-Octyl phthalate | 10 | µg/L | 10 | 0.58 | | 0.5 | 0.1 | 5 | 1.2 | | 10 | 2.6 | | | | | 1 | 0.19 |
| 8270 | Di-n-octyl phthalate | 10 | µg/L | | | | | | | | | | | | 5 | 0.02 | | | |

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| Analytical Method | Analyte | Permit ML | Unit | Advanced Technology Laboratories | | | BSK Associates | | CalScience Laboratories | | | ES Babcock | | | Orange Coast | | | Weck Labs | | | |
|-------------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------|------|----------------------------------|--------------------|---------|----------------|---------|-------------------------|------------------|--------------------|------------|-------|---------|--------------|------------------|---------------------|-----------|--------|--------|--------|
| | | | | PQL | MDL | Comment | MRL | MDL | RL | MDL | Comment | MRL | MDL | Comment | MRL | MDL | Comment | MRL | MDL | | |
| EPA 625 | Fluoranthene | 0.05 | µg/L | 10 ^b | 0.56 ^b | | 0.01 | 0.0012 | | | | | | | | | | 1 | 0.22 | | |
| EPA 625 SIM | Fluoranthene | 0.05 | µg/L | 2 ^b | 1.6 ^b | | | | | | | 0.05 | 0.05 | | | | | 0.05 | 0.05 | | |
| 8310/8270SIM | Fluoranthene | 0.05 | µg/L | | | | | | | 0.2 ^b | 0.027 ^b | | | | | 0.05 | 0.009 | | | | |
| EPA 625 | Fluorene | 0.1 | µg/L | 10 ^b | 0.53 ^b | | 0.01 | 0.0043 | | | | | | | | | | 1 | 0.35 | | |
| EPA 625 SIM | Fluorene | 0.1 | µg/L | 2 ^b | 1.6 ^b | | | | | | | 0.05 | 0.05 | | | | | 0.1 | 0.1 | | |
| 8310/8270SIM | Fluorene | 0.1 | µg/L | | | | | | | 0.2 ^b | 0.024 ^b | | | | | 0.05 | 0.02 | | | | |
| EPA 625 | Hexachlorobenzene | 1 | µg/L | 10 ^b | 0.78 ^b | | 0.5 | 0.15 | 0.5 | 0.19 | | 1 | 1 | | | | | 1 | 0.49 | | |
| 8270 | Hexachlorobenzene | 1 | µg/L | | | | | | | | | | | | | 1 | 0.03 | | | | |
| EPA 625 | Hexachlorobutadiene | 1 | µg/L | 20 ^b | 0.56 ^b | | 0.5 | 0.13 | 1 | 0.33 | | 1 | 1 | | | | | 1 | 0.47 | | |
| 8270 | Hexachlorobutadiene | 1 | µg/L | | | | | | | | | | | | | 1 | 0.05 | | | | |
| EPA 625 | Hexachloro-cyclopentadiene | 5 | µg/L | 10 ^b | 0.67 ^b | | 0.5 | 0.14 | 0.5 | 0.15 | | 5 | 1.7 | | | | | 5 | 1.5 | | |
| 8270 | Hexachloro-cyclopentadiene | 5 | µg/L | | | | | | | | | | | | | 5 | 0.2 | | | | |
| EPA 625 | Hexachloroethane | 1 | µg/L | 10 ^b | 0.69 ^b | | 0.5 | 0.1 | 1 | 0.3 | | 1 | 1 | | | | | 1 | 0.52 | | |
| 8270 | Hexachloroethane | 1 | µg/L | | | | | | | | | | | | | 1 | 0.02 | | | | |
| EPA 625 | Indeno(1,2,3-cd)pyrene | 0.05 | µg/L | 10 ^b | 1.5 ^b | | 0.01 | 0.0027 | | | | | | | | | | 2 | 1.2 | | |
| EPA 625 SIM | Indeno(1,2,3-cd)pyrene | 0.05 | µg/L | 2 ^b | 1.9 ^b | | | | | | | 0.05 | 0.05 | | | | | 0.05 | 0.05 | | |
| 8310/8270SIM | Indeno(1,2,3-cd)pyrene | 0.05 | µg/L | | | | | | | 0.2 | 0.022 | | | | | 0.05 | 0.03 | | | | |
| EPA 625 | Isophorone | 1 | µg/L | 10 ^b | 0.6 ^b | | 0.5 | 0.11 | 0.5 | 0.14 | | 1 | 1 | | | | | 1 | 0.21 | | |
| 8270 | Isophorone | 1 | µg/L | | | | | | | | | | | | | 1 | 0.2 | | | | |
| EPA 625 | Naphthalene | 0.2 | µg/L | 10 ^b | 0.46 ^b | | 0.01 | 0.0027 | | | | | | | | | | 1 | 0.49 | | |
| EPA 625 SIM | Naphthalene | 0.2 | µg/L | 2 ^b | 1.8 ^b | | | | | | | 0.05 | 0.05 | | | | | 0.1 | 0.1 | | |
| 8310/8270SIM | Naphthalene | 0.2 | µg/L | | | | | | | 0.2 | 0.023 | | | | | 0.05 | 0.01 | | | | |
| EPA 625 | Nitrobenzene | 1 | µg/L | 10 ^b | 0.65 ^b | | 0.5 | 0.11 | 1 | 0.24 | | 1 | 1 | | | | | 1 | 0.36 | | |
| 8270 | Nitrobenzene | 1 | µg/L | | | | | | | | | | | | | 1 | 0.02 | | | | |
| EPA 625 | N-Nitroso-dimethyl amine | 5 | µg/L | 50 | 1.9 ^b | | 0.5 | 0.48 | 0.5 | 0.13 | | 5 | 1.4 | | | | | 1 | 0.14 | | |
| 8270 | N-Nitroso-dimethyl amine | 5 | µg/L | | | | | | | | | | | | | 5 | 0.02 | | | | |
| EPA 625 | N-Nitroso-diphenyl amine | 1 | µg/L | 10 ^b | 0.57 ^b | | 0.5 | 0.24 | 0.5 | 0.14 | | 1 | 1 | | | | | 1 | 0.19 | | |
| 8270 | N-Nitroso-diphenyl amine | 1 | µg/L | | | | | | | | | | | | | 1 | 0.03 | | | | |
| EPA 625 | N-Nitroso-di-n-propyl amine | 5 | µg/L | 10 ^b | 0.72 ^b | | 0.5 | 0.1 | 5 | 0.92 | | 5 | 1.7 | | | | | 1 | 0.26 | | |
| 8270 | N-Nitroso-di-n-propyl amine | 5 | µg/L | | | | | | | | | | | | | 5 | 0.03 | | | | |
| EPA 625 | Phenanthrene | 0.05 | µg/L | 10 ^b | 0.56 ^b | | 0.01 | 0.0024 | | | | | | | | | | 1 | 0.32 | | |
| EPA 625 SIM | Phenanthrene | 0.05 | µg/L | 2 ^b | 1.8 ^b | | | | | | | 0.05 | 0.05 | | | | | 0.05 | 0.05 | | |
| 8310/8270SIM | Phenanthrene | 0.05 | µg/L | | | | | | | 0.2 ^b | 0.031 ^b | | | | | 0.05 | 0.02 | | | | |
| EPA 625 | Pyrene | 0.05 | µg/L | 10 ^b | 0.57 ^b | | 0.01 | 0.0014 | | | | | | | | | | 1 | 0.25 | | |
| EPA 625 SIM | Pyrene | 0.05 | µg/L | 2 ^b | 1.6 ^b | | | | | | | 0.05 | 0.05 | | | | | 0.05 | 0.05 | | |
| 8310/8270SIM | Pyrene | 0.05 | µg/L | | | | | | | 0.2 ^b | 0.025 ^b | | | | | 0.05 | 0.02 | | | | |
| EPA 625 | 1,2,4-Trichlorobenzene | 1 | µg/L | 10 ^b | 0.53 ^b | | 0.5 | 0.1 | | | | 1 | 1 | | | | | 1 | 0.55 | | |
| 8270 | 1,2,4-Trichlorobenzene | 1 | µg/L | | | | | | | 0.5 | 0.06 | | | | | 1 | 0.03 | | | | |
| Chlorinated Pesticides | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| EPA 608 | Aldrin | 0.005 | µg/L | 0.02 ^b | 0.003 ^b | | 0.005 | 0.00079 | 0.004 | 0.00065 | | 0.005 | 0.005 | | | 0.1 ^b | 0.0001 ^b | | 0.005 | 0.0015 | |
| EPA 608 | alpha-BHC | 0.01 | µg/L | 0.02 ^b | 0.003 ^b | | 0.005 | 0.0025 | 0.004 | 0.00067 | | 0.01 | 0.01 | | | 0.2 ^b | 0.0002 ^b | | 0.01 | 0.0018 | |
| EPA 608 | beta-BHC | 0.005 | µg/L | 0.02 ^b | 0.004 ^b | | 0.005 | 0.00054 | 0.004 | 0.0015 | | 0.005 | 0.005 | | | 0.2 ^b | 0.0009 ^b | | 0.005 | 0.0031 | |
| EPA 608 | delta-BHC | 0.005 | µg/L | 0.02 ^b | 0.003 ^b | | 0.005 | 0.0006 | 0.004 | 0.00066 | | 0.005 | 0.005 | | | 0.2 ^b | 0.0003 ^b | | 0.005 | 0.0025 | |
| EPA 608 | gamma-BHC (lindane) | 0.02 | µg/L | 0.02 | 0.004 | | 0.005 | 0.0025 | 0.004 | 0.00093 | | 0.02 | 0.02 | | | 0.2 ^b | 0.0002 ^b | | 0.02 | 0.0021 | |
| EPA 608 | alpha-chlordane | 0.1 | µg/L | 0.02 | 0.003 | | 0.1 | 0.026 | 0.004 | 0.00062 | | 0.1 | 0.045 | | | "chlordane" | | | 0.01 | 0.0041 | |
| EPA 608 | gamma-chlordane | 0.1 | µg/L | 0.02 | 0.003 | | 0.1 | 0.026 | 0.004 | 0.0006 | | 0.1 | 0.045 | | | "chlordane" | | | 0.01 | 0.0044 | |
| EPA 608 | 4,4'-DDD | 0.05 | µg/L | 0.05 | 0.004 | | 0.005 | 0.00072 | 0.004 | 0.00061 | | 0.05 | 0.016 | | | | | 0.05 | 0.0007 | 0.05 | 0.003 |
| EPA 608 | 4,4'-DDE | 0.05 | µg/L | 0.05 | 0.003 | | 0.005 | 0.00061 | 0.004 | 0.00089 | | 0.05 | 0.01 | | | | | 0.05 | 0.0002 | 0.05 | 0.0025 |
| EPA 608 | 4,4'-DDT | 0.01 | µg/L | 0.05 ^b | 0.004 ^b | | 0.005 | 0.0007 | 0.004 | 0.00059 | | 0.01 | 0.01 | | | | | 0.01 | 0.002 | 0.01 | 0.0031 |

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| Analytical Method | Analyte | Permit ML | Unit | Advanced Technology Laboratories | | | BSK Associates | | CalScience Laboratories | | | ES Babcock | | | Orange Coast | | | Weck Labs | |
|-----------------------------------|--------------------|-----------|------|----------------------------------|--------------------|---------|----------------|--------------------|-------------------------|---------|-------------|-------------------|-------------------|---------------------------------------|----------------|--------------------|---------|-----------|--------|
| | | | | PQL | MDL | Comment | MRL | MDL | RL | MDL | Comment | MRL | MDL | Comment | MRL | MDL | Comment | MRL | MDL |
| EPA 608 | Dieldrin | 0.01 | µg/L | 0.05 ^b | 0.004 ^b | | 0.005 | 0.00097 | 0.004 | 0.00065 | | 0.01 | 0.01 | | 0.01 | 0.0002 | | 0.01 | 0.0021 |
| EPA 608 | alpha-Endosulfan | 0.02 | µg/L | 0.02 | 0.004 | | 0.005 | 0.00089 | 0.004 | 0.00059 | | 0.02 | 0.011 | | 0.02 | 0.0002 | | 0.02 | 0.0017 |
| EPA 608 | beta-Endosulfan | 0.01 | µg/L | 0.05 ^b | 0.004 ^b | | 0.005 | 0.0018 | 0.004 | 0.00065 | | 0.01 | 0.01 | | 0.01 | 0.0005 | | 0.01 | 0.0019 |
| EPA 608 | Endosulfan sulfate | 0.05 | µg/L | 0.05 | 0.004 | | 0.005 | 0.00074 | 0.004 | 0.0006 | | 0.05 | 0.044 | | 0.05 | 0.0004 | | 0.05 | 0.008 |
| EPA 608 | Endrin | 0.01 | µg/L | 0.05 ^b | 0.003 ^b | | 0.005 | 0.00081 | 0.004 | 0.00062 | | 0.01 | 0.01 | | 0.01 | 0.002 | | 0.01 | 0.0028 |
| EPA 608 | Endrin aldehyde | 0.01 | µg/L | 0.05 ^b | 0.005 ^b | | 0.005 | 0.00067 | 0.004 | 0.00064 | | 0.01 | 0.01 | | 0.01 | 0.002 | | 0.01 | 0.003 |
| EPA 608 | Heptachlor | 0.01 | µg/L | 0.02 ^b | 0.003 ^b | | 0.005 | 0.00069 | 0.004 | 0.00072 | | 0.01 | 0.01 | | 0.01 | 0.0003 | | 0.01 | 0.0017 |
| EPA 608 | Heptachlor Epoxide | 0.01 | µg/L | 0.02 ^b | 0.004 ^b | | 0.005 | 0.00069 | 0.004 | 0.00068 | | 0.01 | 0.01 | | 0.01 | 0.0002 | | 0.01 | 0.0019 |
| EPA 608 | Toxaphene | 0.5 | µg/L | 2.5 ^b | 0.36 ^b | | 0.1 | 0.035 | 0.05 | 0.0092 | | 0.5 | 0.5 | | 0.5 | 0.03 | | 0.5 | 0.12 |
| Polychlorinated Biphenyls | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| EPA 608 | Aroclor-1016 | 0.5 | µg/L | 0.5 | 0.07 | | 0.1 | 0.05 | 0.2 | 0.059 | | 0.5 | 0.5 | | 0.5 | | | 0.5 | 0.05 |
| EPA 608 | Aroclor-1221 | 0.5 | µg/L | 0.5 | 0.07 | | 0.1 | 0.063 | 0.2 | 0.057 | | 0.5 | 0.5 | | 0.5 | | | 0.5 | 0.06 |
| EPA 608 | Aroclor-1232 | 0.5 | µg/L | 0.5 | 0.07 | | 0.1 | 0.05 | 0.2 | 0.05 | | 0.5 | 0.42 | | 0.5 | | | 0.5 | 0.15 |
| EPA 608 | Aroclor-1242 | 0.5 | µg/L | 0.5 | 0.07 | | 0.1 | 0.05 | 0.2 | 0.025 | | 0.5 | 0.41 | | 0.5 | | | 0.5 | 0.07 |
| EPA 608 | Aroclor-1248 | 0.5 | µg/L | 0.5 | 0.07 | | 0.1 | 0.02 | 0.2 | 0.04 | | 0.5 | 0.28 | | 0.5 | | | 0.5 | 0.06 |
| EPA 608 | Aroclor-1254 | 0.5 | µg/L | 0.5 | 0.07 | | 0.1 | 0.05 | 0.2 | 0.045 | | 0.5 | 0.5 | | 0.5 | | | 0.5 | 0.04 |
| EPA 608 | Aroclor-1260 | 0.5 | µg/L | 0.5 | 0.07 | | 0.1 | 0.015 | 0.2 | 0.053 | | 0.5 | 0.5 | | 0.5 | | | 0.5 | 0.04 |
| Organophosphate Pesticides | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| EPA 525.2 | Atrazine | 2 | µg/L | 0.1 | 0.1 | | | | | | | 0.5 | 0.063 | | 0.1 | 0.034 | | 0.1 | 0.022 |
| EPA 8141B | Atrazine | 2 | µg/L | | | | | | 0.02 | 0.0044 | | | | | | | | | |
| EPA 8270C | Atrazine | 2 | µg/L | | | | 0.1 | 0.028 | | | | 4 ^b | 1.4 ^b | | | | | | |
| EPA 525.2 | Chlorpyrifos | 0.05 | µg/L | | | | | | | | | | | | 0.01 | 0.0069 | | 0.01 | 0.0069 |
| EPA 8141B | Chlorpyrifos | 0.05 | µg/L | 1 ^b | 1 ^b | | | | 0.01 | 0.0026 | | | | | | | | | |
| EPA 8270C | Chlorpyrifos | 0.05 | µg/L | | | | 0.01 | 0.0029 | | | | 4 ^a | 1.2 ^a | may reach with J flag or out of reach | | | | | |
| EPA 525.2 | Cyanazine | 2 | µg/L | 0.1 | 0.1 | | | | | | | | | | | | | a | a |
| EPA 8141B | Cyanazine | 2 | µg/L | | | | | | 0.02 | 0.0035 | | | | | | | | | |
| EPA 8270C | Cyanazine | 2 | µg/L | | | | 0.1 | 0.036 | | | | | | | 0.1 | 0.024 | | | |
| EPA 525.2 | Diazinon | 0.01 | µg/L | 0.1 ^b | 0.1 ^b | | | | 0.01 | 0.0026 | | 0.25 ^a | 0.25 ^a | may reach with J flag or out of reach | 0.1 | 0.096 | | 0.01 | 0.052 |
| EPA 8141B | Diazinon | 0.01 | µg/L | 1 ^b | 1 ^b | | | | 0.01 | 0.0026 | | | | | | | | | |
| EPA 8270C | Diazinon | 0.01 | µg/L | | | | 0.01 | 0.0036 | | | | | | | | | | | |
| EPA 525.2 | Malathion | 1 | µg/L | | | | | | | | | | | | 0.01 | 0.0076 | | 0.01 | 0.0076 |
| EPA 8141B | Malathion | 1 | µg/L | 1 | 1 | | | | 0.02 | 0.0055 | | | | | | | | | |
| EPA 8270C | Malathion | 1 | µg/L | | | | 0.01 | 0.0046 | | | | 4 | 0.073 | | | | | | |
| EPA 525.2 | Prometryn | 2 | µg/L | 0.1 | 0.1 | | | | | | | 2 | 0.079 | | 0.1 | 0.036 | | 0.1 | 0.024 |
| EPA 8141B | Prometryn | 2 | µg/L | | | | | | 0.02 | 0.0039 | | | | | | | | | |
| EPA 8270C | Prometryn | 2 | µg/L | | | | 0.1 | 0.019 | | | | | | | | | | | |
| EPA 525.2 | Simazine | 2 | µg/L | 0.1 | 0.1 | | 0.1 | 0.024 | | | | 1 | 0.061 | | 0.1 | 0.015 | | 0.1 | 0.015 |
| EPA 8141B | Simazine | 2 | µg/L | | | | | | 0.02 | 0.0045 | | | | | | | | | |
| EPA 8270C | Simazine | 2 | µg/L | | | | 0.1 | 0.024 | | | | 4 ^b | 0.84 ^b | | | | | | |
| Herbicides | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| EPA 515.3 | 2,4-D | 10 | µg/L | 0.4 | 0.4 | | 10 | 0.074 | | | | | | | | | | 0.4 | 0.07 |
| EPA 8151A | 2,4-D | 10 | µg/L | 0.5 | 0.5 | | | | 5 | 1.8 | | 10 | 0.17 | | 2 | 0.083 | | | |
| EPA 547 | Glyphosate | 5 | µg/L | 5 | 5 | | 5 | 2.1 | 5 | 1.8 | Sub to Weck | 25 ^b | 4.5 ^b | may reach with J flag or out of reach | 5 | 1.8 | | 5 | 1.8 |
| EPA 8151A | 2,4,5-TP-SILVEX | 0.5 | µg/L | 0.5 | 0.5 | | | | 0.5 | 0.22 | | 1 ^b | 0.15 ^b | may reach with J flag or out of reach | 1 ^b | 0.074 ^b | | | |
| EPA 515.3 | 2,4,5-TP-SILVEX | 0.5 | µg/L | 0.2 | 0.2 | | 1 ^b | 0.016 ^b | | | | | | | | | | 0.2 | 0.09 |

^a Laboratory is unable to test for or meet the Permit Minimum Level

^b MDL is below Permit Minimum Level and will be reported with a "J" Flag qualifier

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LACFCD Background Information

In 1915, the Los Angeles County Flood Control Act established the LACFCD and empowered it to manage flood risk and conserve stormwater for groundwater recharge. In coordination with the United States Army Corps of Engineers the LACFCD developed and constructed a comprehensive system that provides for the regulation and control of flood waters through the use of reservoirs and flood channels. The system also controls debris, collects surface storm water from streets, and replenishes groundwater with storm water and imported and recycled waters. The LACFCD covers the 2,753 square-mile portion of Los Angeles County south of the east-west projection of Avenue S, excluding Catalina Island. It is a special district governed by the County of Los Angeles Board of Supervisors, and its functions are carried out by the Los Angeles County Department of Public Works. The LACFCD service area is shown in **Figure -1**.

Unlike cities and counties, the LACFCD does not own or operate any municipal sanitary sewer systems, public streets, roads, or highways. The LACFCD operates and maintains storm drains and other appurtenant drainage infrastructure within its service area. The LACFCD has no planning, zoning, development permitting, or other land use authority within its service area. The permittees that have such land use authority are responsible under the Permit for inspecting and controlling pollutants from industrial and commercial facilities, development projects, and development construction sites. (Permit, Part II.E, p. 17.)

The MS4 Permit language clarifies the unique role of the LACFCD in storm water management programs: “[g]iven the LACFCD’s limited land use authority, it is appropriate for the LACFCD to have a separate and uniquely-tailored storm water management program. Accordingly, the storm water management program minimum control measures imposed on the LACFCD in Part VI.D of this Order differ in some ways from the minimum control measures imposed on other Permittees. Namely, aside from its own properties and facilities, the LACFCD is not subject to the Industrial/Commercial Facilities Program, the Planning and Land Development Program, and the Development Construction Program. However, as a discharger of storm and non-storm water, the LACFCD remains subject to the Public Information and Participation Program and the Illicit Connections and Illicit Discharges Elimination Program. Further, as the owner and operator of certain properties, facilities and infrastructure, the LACFCD remains subject to requirements of a Public Agency Activities Program.” (Permit, Part II.F, p. 18.)

Consistent with the role and responsibilities of the LACFCD under the Permit, the [E]WMPs and CIMPs reflect the opportunities that are available for the LACFCD to collaborate with permittees having land use authority over the subject watershed area. In some instances, the opportunities are minimal, however the LACFCD remains responsible for compliance with certain aspects of the MS4 permit as discussed above.



During the development of the CIMP, LACFCD infrastructure was evaluated for monitoring opportunities. The LACFCD will be collaborating with the groups for all of the monitoring.

Figure F-1 Los Angeles County Flood Control District Service Area