

Support for the City of Newport Beach position on TMDLs for Copper in Newport Harbor

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Dr. Candelaria:

I am a resident of the City of Newport Beach and I own a boat moored in Newport Harbor.

I am also a member of the Newport Beach Harbor Commission although I am not writing on behalf of that Commission.

The City of Newport Beach has prepared a well-crafted and comprehensive letter in response to the proposed Basin Plan Amendments to Incorporate TMDLs for Copper and Non-TMDL Action Plans for other Metals in Newport Harbor. I fully support the City's arguments against the proposed amendments at this time.

I attended and spoke at the October 28, 2016 workshop on this matter.

I was, at the time, on a mailing/distribution list of parties interested in this matter.

I believed at the time, based on comments from the Board and its Executive Officer that the matter would receive further attention, including but not limited to public workshops where constituent's concerns would be heard.

To date, I have received no notification of any such public workshops or any substantive change in the evidence supporting the proposed Amendments.

As the City as done, I also respectfully request that you and your Regional Board staff colleagues and the Regional Board not adopt the Amendments at the October 19, 2018 meeting.

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