

Fw: Newport Bay Basin Plan Amendment

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Dear Ms. Candelaria,

Thank you for the opportunity to review and comment on the Santa Ana Regional Water Quality Control Board's "Basin Plan Amendment to Incorporate Total Maximum Daily Loads (TMDLs) for Copper (Cu) and Non-TMDL Action Plans for other Metals in Newport Bay."

We have reviewed the package and find the Copper TMDLs to be technically supported, and reasonable and appropriate, to address copper in Newport Bay. We support the Regional Water Board's adoption.

The positions described in this correspondence are preliminary in nature and do not constitute a determination by EPA under the Clean Water Act. EPA will make appropriate approval/disapproval decisions following adoption of the Basin Plan Amendment, and the State's submittal to the EPA.

We appreciate the significant work and stakeholder communication and coordination that has gone into the development of the Basin Plan Amendment, over a number of years. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

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