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Subject:

Proposed Draft Amendment to the Standard Monitoring Procedures of California Ocean

Plan

To Whom It May Concern: The City of Redondo Beach is very much involved in efforts to monitoring and improve the water quality of Santa Monica Bay. The proposed changes in the monitoring requirements of the Ocean Plan will seriously impact our city. Yet we were not directly notified of this proposal. The first we heard of the proposal was at a watershed management committee meeting that included most of the agencies that discharge into Santa Monica Bay. The majority of the attendees were unaware of the proposal.

Although our city intends to make every effort to submit a respond by the August 15th deadline, we respectfully request that the process be extend so that we have an opportunity to fully understand the rational for why our agencies should be expected to spend 5 times more for the monitoring we are conducting. This monitoring is being conducted as part of the Santa Monica Bay Beach Bacteria TMDL Coordinated Shoreline Monitoring Plan that was approved by the Los Angeles Regional Water Quality Control Board.

A change of this significance will impact our ability to make improvements to water quality and we have not been informed as to the benefits of increase the monitoring frequency 5 times.

I would appreciate it if you could let me know if there is any possibility that the approval date of the changes could be push back.

Thanks.

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8/1 and 8/15 Meetings ASBS Special Protections Deadline: 8/15/06 5pm