



State Water Resources Control Board

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APPROVAL OF 2025 ANNUAL UPDATE TO THE TOTAL MAXIMUM DAILY LOAD COMPLIANCE PLAN; STATEWIDE MUNICIPAL STORMWATER PERMIT, DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Dear Mr. Takar:

The State Water Resources Control Board (State Water Board) regulates the California Department of Transportation's (Department) municipal storm sewer system discharges via [Water Quality Order 2022-0033-DWQ](#) (Order). Under Order Attachment D, the Department is required to comply with Total Maximum Daily Load (TMDL) implementation, compliance, and reporting requirements. Section D3.3 requires the Department to submit an annual update to their TMDL Compliance Plan (Plan)¹ by November 30 of each year. The Department submitted its updated Plan by the due date in 2025.

Upon review of the Plan by State and Regional Water Board staff, the State Water Board met with the Department on April 13, 2026, to discuss staff comments. Thereafter, the Department submitted an updated Plan on April 17, 2026, which addressed staff comments. State Water Board then issued a notice for a 30-day public comment period that ended on June 8, 2026. No public comments were received.

Based on review of the updated Plan, State Water Board staff finds that the Department has complied with the Order's requirements for submitting the annual update to the TMDL Compliance Plan.

¹ The [TMDL Compliance Plan](#) was approved on February 5, 2025

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If you have any questions regarding this approval, please contact Mary Boyd, Statewide Municipal Stormwater Program Manager, at Mary.Boyd@waterboards.ca.gov.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Eric Oppenheimer".

Eric Oppenheimer, Executive Director
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