



City of Clearlake

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Ms. Jeanine Townsend, Clerk of the Board
State Water Resources Control Board
1001 I Street, 24th Floor
Sacramento, CA 95814

Subject: 2nd Draft Phase II Small MS4 General Permit

Dear Ms. Townsend and Members of the Board:

The City of Clearlake would like to make the following comments on the 2nd Draft Phase II MS4 General Permit.

Like many cities and counties in California, the city of Clearlake is facing a very difficult and challenging financial period. Having already laid off a significant number of staff, we are struggling to maintain minimum service levels. The City of Clearlake is a NPDES co-permittee under the Lake County Clean Water Program. With limited staff, a part-time city engineer who is here just two days a week and very small public works staff, it has been very difficult for the city to implement the conditions of our current NPDES permit let alone assume more responsibilities and implement the onerous conditions as currently required in the 2nd Draft Phase II General Permit.

On July 16, 2012 Stanislaus County submitted comments on the 2nd Draft Phase II MS4 General Permit signed by Paul Saini, Associate Civil Engineer, RCE, QSD/P. This letter of comment is to notify you that the city of Clearlake fully supports the comments submitted to the Regional Water Quality Board by Stanislaus County.

Sincerely,

Joan L. Phillippe
City Manager
City of Clearlake