June 24, 2009

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

Submitted via email commentletters@waterboards.ca.gov

Subject: Comments on the April 2009 Draft Construction General Permit

Dear Ms. Townsend and Members of the Board,

Thank you for the opportunity to provide comments on the April 2009 draft Construction General Permit (CGP) covering waste discharge requirements for discharges of stormwater runoff associated with construction activity disturbing one acre or more. The City of Garden Grove appreciates the efforts of the State Water Resources Control Board (SWRCB) to receive written comments as well as hold the June 3rd 2009 public workshop on this latest (third) version of the draft CGP. As a municipal agency responsible for building road and storm drain facilities as well as improving existing infrastructure, the substantial changes to the CGP from the current Order (No. 99-08-DWG) will have a significant impact on the City.

The City is a member of the California Stormwater Quality Association (CASQA) and strongly supports the comments detailed in the CASQA letter dated June 24, 2009. Furthermore, the City supports the County of Orange's recommendation with regard to Permit Enrollment as detailed in the County's comment letter dated June 24, 2009.

Thank you for your attention to our concerns. Please contact Mr. A.J. Holmon at (714) 741-6956 if you have any questions on these comments.

Sincerely,

KEITH G. JONES
Public Works Director
City of Garden Grove

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    James Smith, San Diego Regional Water Quality Control Board