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TO: Los Angeles County MS4 Permittees and Other Interested Persons

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DATE: April 23, 2012

SUBJECT: TRANSMITTAL OF STAFF WORKING PROPOSALS ON LA COUNTY MS4 PERMIT -
PROVISIONS RELATED TO WATERSHED MANAGEMENT PROGRAMS, TMDLS AND
RECEIVING WATER LIMITATIONS

As staff committed to in previous workshops on the renewal of the Los Angeles County MS4 Permit, attached are working proposals of the permit provisions related to the **Watershed Management Programs, Total Maximum Daily Loads (TMDLs), and Receiving Water Limitations**. Staff of the Los Angeles Regional Water Quality Control Board (Los Angeles Water Board) is distributing to Los Angeles County MS4 Permittees and other interested persons the attached staff working proposals for preliminary review and discussion purposes only.

Please note the following: Staff will accept both written and oral comments on these working proposals. Please be advised, however, that these staff working proposals neither constitute a "draft permit" or a "proposed permit" as defined in Title 40 Code of Federal Regulations (40 CFR) sections 122.2 or 124.6. Further, distribution of these staff working proposals for review and discussion does not constitute a public comment period pursuant to 40 CFR sections 124.10 or 124.17. Accordingly, while staff will accept and consider written comments on these working proposals, staff does not intend to formally respond to written comments received that pertain to the working proposals. In addition to, or in lieu of, written comments, Permittees and interested persons are also encouraged to make oral comments to staff during telephone conversations, in-person meetings, and/or at the upcoming board workshop on May 3, 2012. Staff looks forward to input on this working proposal from Permittees and other interested persons.

For written and oral comments on these working proposals to be considered by staff in preparing the forthcoming draft Los Angeles County MS4 Permit, comments need to be made and/or submitted no later than **May 11, 2012**. Written comments should be submitted by e-mail to LAMS42012@waterboards.ca.gov.

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Written comments received will be included in the administrative record for the renewal of the Los Angeles County MS4 Permit, but will not be provided to the individual Los Angeles Water Board members. When a draft permit is released, interest persons will be provided an opportunity to submit written comments in compliance with 40 CFR sections 124.10 or 124.17. Consistent with federal regulations, staff will prepare responses to significant comments received on the draft permit submitted in compliance with the public notice and will make comments and responses available to the Los Angeles Water Board members.

Staff looks forward to further discussions on this working proposal. Please do not hesitate to contact Mr. Ivar Ridgeway, Chief, Storm Water Permitting at (213) 620-2150 or myself at (213) 576-6622 if you wish to schedule a meeting with us or if you have any questions or comments.

Attachments