



City of Commerce

Office of the
City Administrator

June 27, 2013

Mr. Sam Unger
Executive Officer
California Regional Water Quality Control Board
Los Angeles Region, Suite 200
320 W. Fourth St., Suite 200
Los Angeles, CA 90013

RE: Notice of Intent for a Watershed Management Program and Coordinated Integrated Monitoring Program for the Los Angeles River Upper Reach 2 Gateway Sub Watershed.

Dear Mr. Unger:

The Permittees listed in Table 1 below that are party to this Notice of Intent (NOI) hereby notify the Los Angeles Regional Water Quality Control Board (Regional Water Board) of their intent to develop a Watershed Management Program (WMP) for the Los Angeles River Upper Reach 2 Sub Watershed (LAR UR2 Sub Watershed) which includes the Cities of Bell, Bell Gardens, Cudahy, Commerce, Huntington Park, Maywood, Vernon, and the Los Angeles County Flood Control District. This NOI is hereby submitted in accordance with Part VI.C.4.b.i of Order R4-2012-0175. Permittees meet the LID and Green Streets conditions and will submit the Draft WMP within 18 months of the effective date of Order R4-2012-0175 (June 28, 2014).

In addition, the same permittees listed in Table 1 hereby notify the Regional Water Board of their intent to develop a Coordinated Integrated Monitoring Program (CIMP) as part of their WMP. The Permittees intend to follow a CIMP approach for each of the required monitoring plan elements including Receiving Water Monitoring, Storm Water Outfall Based Monitoring, Non-Storm Water Outfall Based Monitoring, New Development/Re-Development Effectiveness Tracking, and Regional Studies and will submit the CIMP within 18 months of the effective date of Order R4-2012-0175 (June 28, 2014) with the WMP.

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SECTION 1. PROGRAM TYPE AND PERMITTEES

Table 1 lists the permittees who have agreed to work cooperatively and to jointly develop a WMP and CIMP under a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with the Los Angeles Gateway Region Integrated Regional Water Management Joint Powers Authority for administration and cost sharing.

Table 1. Watershed Management Program Permittees

City of Bell
City of Bell Gardens
City of Commerce
City of Cudahy
City of Huntington Park
City of Maywood
City of Vernon
Los Angeles County Flood Control District (LACFCD)

SECTION 2. TOTAL MAXIMUM DAILY LOADS ESTABLISHED WATER QUALITY BASED EFFLUENT LIMITATIONS:

Table 2 lists applicable interim and final Water Quality Based Effluent Limitations (WQBELs) and receiving water limitations established by Total Maximum Daily Loads (TMDLs) and identified by Section VI.C.4.B.ii of the Order that occur prior to the anticipated approval of the WMP.

Table 2. Applicable Interim and Final Trash WQBELs and all other Final WQBELs and Receiving Water Limitations Occurring Before Watershed Management Program Approval

TMDL Order	WQBEL	Interim or Final	Compliance Date
Los Angeles River Trash	80% reduction of baseline	Interim	09/30/2013
	90% reduction of baseline	Interim	09/30/2014
	96.7% reduction of baseline	Interim	09/30/2015
	100% reduction of baseline	Final	09/30/2016

Los Angeles River Nitrogen Compounds and Related Effects TMDL	100% of MS4 drainage area complies with waste load allocations	Final	03/23/2004
Los Angeles River Bacteria Implementation Schedule for Dry Weather – upper and middle reach 2 (Figueroa St. to Rosecrans Ave.) R4-2012-0175	Submit a Load Reduction Strategy (LRS) for Segment B (or submit an alternative compliance plan)	Interim	09/23/2014

SECTION 3. IDENTIFY TMDL CONTROL MEASURES:

Table 3 identifies the control measures being implemented by each Permittee for each TMDL that have interim and final WQBELs that occur prior to the anticipated approval of the WMP. The Permittees will continue to implement these measures during the development of the WMP.

Table 3. Control Measures that will be Implemented Concurrently with WMP Development for TMDLs

TMDL	Permittees	Implementation Plan and Control Measures	Status of Implementation
Los Angeles River Trash R4-2012-0175	Cities of: Bell	Install Full Capture Systems or other BMPs to reduce baseline by 80%	Completed
	Bell Gardens Commerce Cudahy	Install Full Capture Systems or other BMPs to reduce baseline by 90%	Completed
	Huntington Park Maywood Vernon	Install Full Capture Systems or other BMPs to reduce baseline by 96.7%	Completed
Los Angeles River Bacteria Implementation Schedule for Dry Weather – upper and middle reach 2 (Figueroa St. to Rosecrans Ave.) R4-2012-0175	Cities of: Bell Bell Gardens Commerce Cudahy Huntington Park Maywood Vernon	Developed a Coordinated Monitoring Plan (CMP) for the Los Angeles River Watershed.	Submitted the CMP to the LA Regional Water Quality Control Board on March 23, 2013 with the expressed intention of integrating the CMP with a future CIMP.

SECTION 4. DEMONSTRATION OF MEETING LID ORDINANCE AND GREEN STREETS POLICY REQUIREMENTS:

The Permittees that are party to this NOI developed LID Ordinances and Green Streets Policies that are in the process of being adopted by their governing board. **Table 4** summarizes the status of the Permittees' LID ordinances and Green Streets policies. More than 50% of the MS4 watershed area that will be addressed by the WMP is covered by LID Ordinances and Green Streets Policies.

Table 4. Status of LID Ordinance and Green Streets Policy Coverage of the MS4 Watershed Area Addressed by the WMP

Permittee	Land Area (mi ²)	LID Ordinance Status	Green Streets Policy Status
City of Bell	2.64	Developed	Developed
City of Bell Gardens	2.49	Adopted	Adopted
City of Commerce	6.57	Adopted	Adopted
City of Cudahy	1.12	Developed	Adopted
City of Huntington Park	3.03	Developed	Adopted
City of Maywood	1.18	Developed	Adopted
City of Vernon	5.16	Developed	Developed
LACFCD	0	N/A	N/A
Total MS4 Watershed Area	22.19		

The listed permittees are diligently working together and making progress towards compliance with Order R4-2012-0175. Please contact the individual permittees should you have questions pertaining to their jurisdiction's compliance measures. A list of contact information is enclosed. Please direct all inquiries regarding the LAR UR2 Sub Watershed's WMP/CIMP development to Ms. Claudia Arellano at carellano@ci.vernon.ca.us or (323) 583-8811, ext. 258. Thank you.

Sincerely,

The LAR UR2 Sub Watershed Permittees
 (Individual signatures enclosed)

cc: Ms. Renee Purdy, California Regional Water Quality Control Board
 Mr. Ivar Ridgeway, California Regional Water Quality Control Board

Violeta Alvarez - *Mayor*
Ana Maria Quintana - *Mayor Pro Tem*
Alicia Romero - *Councilmember*
Ali Saleh - *Councilmember*
Nestor Enrique Valencia - *Councilmember*



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Bell, California 90201
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CITY OF BELL

June 12, 2013

Mr. Samuel Unger, P.E., Executive Officer
California Regional Water Quality
Control Board – Los Angeles Region
320 West Fourth Street, Suite 200
Los Angeles, CA 90013

Attention: Ms. Renee Purdy

Dear Mr. Unger:

**LETTER OF INTENT – LOS ANGELES COUNTY FLOOD CONTROL DISTRICT
LOS ANGELES RIVER UPPER REACH 2 SUB WATERSHED
WATERSHED MANAGEMENT PROGRAM
AND COORDINATED INTEGRATED MONITORING PROGRAM**

The City of Bell submits this Letter of Intent to participate in and share the cost of the development of a Watershed Management Program (WMP) and a Coordinated Integrated Monitoring Program (CIMP) with the Los Angeles River Upper Reach 2 Sub Watershed Group. This Letter of Intent serves to satisfy the WMP notification requirements of Section VI.C.4.b. of Order No. R4-2012-0175 (Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System Permit) and the CIMP requirements of Section IV.C.1 of Attachment E of the Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System Permit.

The Los Angeles River Upper Reach 2 Sub Watershed Group consists of the following agencies: the cities of Bell, Bell Gardens, Commerce, Cudahy, Huntington Park, Maywood, Vernon and the LACFCD. The City of Bell intends to submit a final Memorandum of Understanding to the City Council for approval on July 17th, 2013.

If you have any questions, please contact Mr. Terry Rodrigue at (323)588-6211 or trodrigue@cityofbell.org.

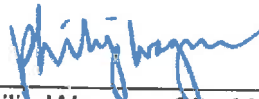
Sincerely,

Doug Wilmore
City Manager

The Watershed Permittees, described as the LAR UR2 Sub Watershed, made and entered into an MOU by and between the Los Angeles Gateway Region Integrated Regional Water Management Joint Powers Authority (GWMA), a California Joint Powers Authority, and the Cities of Bell, Bell Gardens, Commerce, Cudahy, Huntington Park, Maywood, Vernon and the Los Angeles County Flood Control District (LACFCD). In said MOU and pursuant to Section V.C.4.b of the MS4 Permit Order R4-2012-0175, the Watershed Permittees agreed to jointly draft, execute and submit to the Los Angeles Regional Water Quality Control Board, a Notice of Intent (NOI) letter by June 28, 2013 that complies with all applicable MS4 Permit provisions for development of a joint Watershed Management Program (WMP) and Coordinated Integrated Monitoring Program (CIMP) and execute such joint NOI as follows:

DATE: 6/19/13

CITY OF BELL GARDENS
Mr. Philip Wagner
City Manager
7100 Garfield Avenue
Bell Gardens, CA 90201



Philip Wagner, City Manager

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DATE: 06.13/2013

CITY OF COMMERCE
Mr. Jorge Rifa
City Administrator
2535 Commerce Way
Commerce, CA 90040

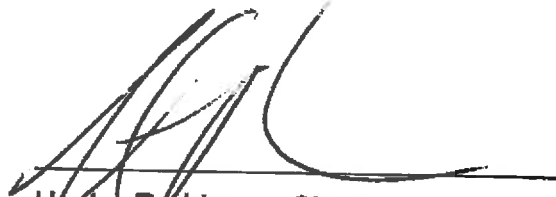


Jorge Rifa, City Administrator

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DATE: 6/19/13

CITY OF CUDAHY
Mr. Hector Rodriguez
City Manager
5220 Santa Ana Street
Cudahy, CA 90201



Hector Rodriguez, City Manager

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DATE: 6/24/13

CITY OF HUNTINGTON PARK
Mr. Rene Bobadilla, P.E.
City Manager
6550 Miles Avenue
Huntington Park, CA 90255



Rene Bobadilla, City Manager

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DATE: 6-25-13

CITY OF MAYWOOD
Ms. Lillian Myers
City Manager
4319 East Slauson Avenue
Maywood, CA 90270



Lillian Myers, City Manager

The Watershed Permittees, described as the LAR UR2 Sub Watershed, made and entered into an MOU by and between the Los Angeles Gateway Region Integrated Regional Water Management Joint Powers Authority (GWMA), a California Joint Powers Authority, and the Cities of Bell, Bell Gardens, Commerce, Cudahy, Huntington Park, Maywood, Vernon and the Los Angeles County Flood Control District (LACFCD). In said MOU and pursuant to Section V.C.4.b of the MS4 Permit Order R4-2012-0175, the Watershed Permittees agreed to jointly draft, execute and submit to the Los Angeles Regional Water Quality Control Board, a Notice of Intent (NOI) letter by June 28, 2013 that complies with all applicable MS4 Permit provisions for development of a joint Watershed Management Program (WMP) and Coordinated Integrated Monitoring Program (CIMP) and execute such joint NOI as follows:

DATE: 6-20-13

CITY OF VERNON
Mr. Samuel Kevin Wilson, P.E.
Director of Community Services & Water
4305 Santa Fe Avenue
Vernon, CA 90058



Samuel Kevin Wilson, Director of
Community Services & Water



GAIL FARBER, Director

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IN REPLY PLEASE

REFER TO FILE: **WM-7**

June 24, 2013

Mr. Samuel Unger, P.E.
Executive Officer
California Regional Water Quality
Control Board – Los Angeles Region
320 West 4th Street, Suite 200
Los Angeles, CA 90013

Attention Ms. Renee Purdy

Dear Mr. Unger:

**LETTER OF INTENT – LOS ANGELES COUNTY FLOOD CONTROL DISTRICT
LOS ANGELES RIVER UPPER REACH 2 SUB WATERSHED
WATERSHED MANAGEMENT PROGRAM
AND COORDINATED INTEGRATED MONITORING PROGRAM**

The Los Angeles County Flood Control District (LACFCD) submits this Letter of Intent to participate in and share the cost of the development of a Watershed Management Program (WMP) and a Coordinated Integrated Monitoring Program (CIMP) with the Los Angeles River Upper Reach 2 Sub Watershed Group. This Letter of Intent serves to satisfy the WMP notification requirements of Section VI.C.4.b. of Order No. R4-2012-0175 (Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System Permit) and the CIMP requirements of Section IV.C.1 of Attachment E of the Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System Permit.

The Los Angeles River Upper Reach 2 Sub Watershed Group consists of the following agencies: LACFCD and cities of Bell, Bell Gardens, Commerce, Cudahy, Huntington Park, Maywood, and Vernon. The LACFCD intends to submit a final Memorandum of Understanding to the County of Los Angeles Board of Supervisors (which is the LACFCD's governing body) for approval prior to December 28, 2013.

Mr. Samuel Unger
June 24, 2013
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If you have any questions, please contact Ms. Terri Grant at (626) 458-4309 or tgrant@dpw.lacounty.gov.

Very truly yours,



for GAIL FARBER
Chief Engineer of the Los Angeles County Flood Control District

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cc: City of Bell
City of Bell Gardens
City of Commerce
City of Cudahy
City of Huntington Park
City of Maywood
City of Vernon

Watershed Permittee Contact List

Permittee	Contact	Contact Mailing Address	Contact Telephone and Email Address
City of Bell	Young Park Terry Rodrigue	6330 Pine Ave. Bell, CA 90201	(323) 588-6211 Ext 228 ypark@cityofbell.org tr Rodrigue@cityofbell.org
City of Bell Gardens	Chau Vu	7100 Garfield Ave. Bell Gardens, CA 90201	(562) 334-1790 cvu@bellgardens.org
City of Commerce	Gina Nila Environmental Services Manager	2535 Commerce Way Commerce, CA 90040	(323) 722-4805, ext. 2839 ginan@ci.commerce.ca.us
City of Cudahy	Aaron Hernandez-Torres Assistant City Engineer	5220 Santa Ana St. Cudahy, CA 90201	(323) 773-5143 ahernandez@cityofcudayca.gov
City of Huntington Park	James A. Enriquez Director of Public Works/City Engineer	6550 Miles Ave. Huntington Park, CA 90255	(323) 584-6253 jenriquez@huntingtonpark.org
City of Maywood	Andre Dupret	4319 E. Slauson Ave. Maywood, CA 90270	(323) 562-5700 andre.dupret@cityofmaywood.org
City of Vernon	Samuel Kevin Wilson, P.E. Director of Community Services & Water	4305 Santa Fe Ave. Vernon, CA 90058	(323) 583-8811, ext. 245 kwilson@ci.vernon.ca.us
LACFCD	Gary Hildebrand	900 S. Fremont Ave. Alhambra, CA 91803	(323) 583-8811, ext. 258 carellano@ci.vernon.ca.us (626) 458-4300 gildeb@dpw.lacounty.gov