



PASADENA WATER AND POWER

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via e-mail at commentletters@waterboards.ca.gov

Ms. Jeanine Townsend, Clerk to the Board
State Water Resources Control Board
P.O. Box 100
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**Subject: Comment Letter – Incorporation of Stakeholder-Developed
Groundwater Quality Control Measures for Salt and Nutrients in the
Raymond Basin in Los Angeles County**

Dear Ms. Townsend:

The City of Pasadena, Water and Power Department (PWP), appreciates the opportunity to comment on the Regional Water Quality Control Board's, Los Angeles Region, proposed amendment to the Basin Plan that would incorporate stakeholder-proposed control measures for salts and nutrients in the Raymond Basin. PWP, a public agency that supplies water to over 165,000 customers in an area that overlies the Raymond Basin, strongly supports both the Regional Board's efforts to increase recycled water use while protecting water quality and approval of the amendment to the Basin Plan.

The amendment will allow for recycled water to be used in the Raymond Basin, and is an important step in advancing Pasadena's Non-Potable Water Project towards formal approval. This project, with all six phases completed through the year 2038, will deliver up to 3,100 AFY of recycled water, and offset up to 10% of the total water demand. Bringing recycled water to Pasadena's service area is critical to furthering our goal of providing a safe, local, reliable, and drought-resistant water supply and strongly aligns with the Regional Board's Recycled Water Policy.

We would like to commend Regional Board staff for their support and work on this effort, and thank the Board for consideration of our comments.

Sincerely,

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General Manager

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