



Los Angeles Regional Water Quality Control Board

TO: Los Angeles Region MS4 Permittees and Interested Persons

FROM: Ivar Ridgeway
Unit Supervisor, Municipal Stormwater Permitting

DATE: January 18, 2022

SUBJECT: CITY OF PALOS VERDES ESTATES' USE OF SCIENTIFICALLY BASED ALTERNATIVE COMPLIANCE APPROACH FOR SANTA MONICA BAY NEARSHORE AND OFFSHORE DEBRIS TMDL

Pursuant to Part IV.B.3.b.iii of the Regional Phase I MS4 Permit, Order No. R4-2021-0105, Permittees may employ the Scientifically Based Alternative Compliance Approach to comply with their interim and final trash effluent limitation. Permittees must request approval from the Los Angeles Regional Water Quality Control Board (Los Angeles Water Board) Executive Officer prior to conducting any studies and/or reporting compliance using this approach.

The City of Palos Verdes Estates (City) has submitted a request to utilize the Scientifically Based Alternative Compliance Approach to comply with the final water quality-based effluent limitations (WQBELs) for trash for the Santa Monica Bay Nearshore and Offshore Debris TMDL (SMB Debris TMDL). The City submitted their request on October 28, 2021 with additional information requested by the Los Angeles Water Board provided on December 16, 2021.

Public Review

Concurrent with the review by Los Angeles Water Board staff, the Los Angeles Water Board is soliciting public comment on the City of Palos Verdes Estates' request. The City's request and additional information are included in the email that announces this public notice. Alternatively, interested persons may email Angineh Shahnazarian at Angineh.Shahnazarian@waterboards.ca.gov for an electronic copy of the material or to ask other questions.

Persons wishing to comment are invited to submit comments electronically as a PDF file to MS4StormwaterRB4@waterboards.ca.gov with the subject line "Comments on the City of PVE Scientifically Based Alternative for SMB Debris TMDL" with a copy to Angineh Shahnazarian.

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To be evaluated and considered by the Los Angeles Water Board Executive Officer, all written comments must be received by the Los Angeles Water Board by 5:00 p.m. on **February 17, 2022**. Late submittal of written comments will not be accepted or considered.