## **State Water Resources Control Board**



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Mr. Jim Thorsen, City Manager City of Malibu 23815 Stuart Ranch Road Malibu, CA 90265-4861

Dear Mr. Thorsen: \

COMPLETE APPLICATION PACKAGE FOR DISCHARGES INTO AREAS OF SPECIAL BIOLOGICAL SIGNIFICANCE (ASBS)

Thank you for your application package dated July 31, 2007, requesting an exception from the California Ocean Plan (Ocean Plan) waste discharge prohibition for your discharges into the Laguna Point to Latigo Point (formerly Mugu Lagoon to Latigo Point) Area of Special Biological Significance. This letter is to inform you that we have deemed your application conditionally complete, based on the condition that you provide funding to support the Southern California Coastal Water Research Project's ASBS reference envelope water quality pilot monitoring during the 2007-08 storm season.

The receipt of your application supports the State Water Resources Control Board's (State Water Board) consideration of an exception to the Ocean Plan for discharges to ASBS. As a responsible party with a conditionally approved application, you will be considered for coverage under an exception.

The exception is likely to include minimizing or eliminating pollutants discharged to the ASBS to maintain natural water quality in the receiving waters. In the meantime, you must continue to plan for and institute best management practices to reduce pollutants, and eliminate all dry weather flows. If the exception is granted, the Los Angeles Regional Water Quality Control Board (Los Angeles Water Board) may allow your nonpoint source and/or storm water discharges to be covered under a Conditional Waiver, Waste Discharge Requirements, and/or a Storm Water National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System Permit with appropriate provisions required in your storm water management plan. In all cases, the Los Angeles Water Board will enforce the mitigation measures to be described in the exception granted by the State Water Board.

Should you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at (916) 341-5458 (<a href="mailto:dpolhemus@waterboards.ca.gov">dpolhemus@waterboards.ca.gov</a>) or Dominic Gregorio, Senior Environmental Scientist, Ocean Unit, at (916) 341-5488 (<a href="mailto:dgregorio@waterboards.ca.gov">dgregorio@waterboards.ca.gov</a>).

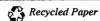
Sincerely,

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