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## **WORK PLAN FOR THE SALT AND NUTRIENT MANAGEMENT PLAN FOR THE CENTRAL AND WEST COAST GROUNDWATER BASINS**

Thank you for your submittal of the revised work plan for the Salt and Nutrient Management Plan (SNMP) for the Central and West Coast Groundwater Basins (CWCB) on October 24, 2011. The initial draft workplan was submitted on August 30, 2011 and was modified to incorporate comments from Regional Board staff with respect to reflecting the full intent of the Recycled Water Policy's SNMP requirements. It is apparent from the efforts invested in the development of the workplan that CWCB stakeholders recognize the benefits of developing and implementing SNMPs for the preservation of the quality of the Los Angeles Region's groundwater resources.

In keeping with the expectations of the Recycled Water Policy, this work plan was developed in a collaborative manner including key water agencies/purveyors and other interested parties in the Central and West Coast Groundwater Basins. Staff has reviewed this revised plan and has found that it contains the SNMP requirements as provided in the State Recycled Water Policy, along with those clarifying elements provided by State Board. While noting that the work plan adequately outlines the steps for SNMP development, as we have articulated at recent meetings, it may be necessary to expand on or modify some of these elements as the development process progresses.

Regional Board staff hereby endorse the approach to Salt and Nutrient Management Plan development outlined in the revised workplan. Regional Board staff also encourage CWCB stakeholders to fully address all the elements contained therein during development of the SNMP for the Central and West Coast Groundwater Basins, while maintaining the flexibility to modify or expand on these elements as the need arises.

We expect to continue to work closely with your agency and other CWCB stakeholders throughout the SNMP development process. If you have any questions please contact the Regional Board's project leads for the CWCB - Dr. Don Tsai at [dtsai@waterboards.ca.us](mailto:dtsai@waterboards.ca.us) or (213) 576-6665 and Mr. Adnan Siddiqui at [asiddiqui@waterboards.ca.gov](mailto:asiddiqui@waterboards.ca.gov) or (213) 576-6812.

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