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RE: Numeric Limits on Storm Water Compliance – OPPOSE

Dear Mr. Fujimoto:

On behalf of the City of Monterey Park, I would like to share with you some concerns regarding news of the Board's plans to evaluate the possibility of developing numeric measures, limits and guidelines for stormwater compliance. This issue and process is of great interest to our City as we have always worked hard to comply and been in compliance with regards to stormwater regulations set forth by the State Water Resources Control Board.

The issue of numeric limits on stormwater compliance is quite complex and all aspects relating to the cost of compliance, technology availability and effectiveness, and relative improvement in water quality should be carefully considered and examined throughout this process. I stand in agreement with the League of California Cities and California State Association of Counties' concerns on this issue. We realize the significant impact of this type of regulation and therefore urge your panel members to thoroughly study all statistical and economical information related to the research associated with this proposal. Should numeric limits be implemented, we are particularly concerned with the potential problems that may arise from having to meet or exceed the standards and the cost and potential impact of the enforcement of such criteria.

Therefore, due to our concerns about and opposition to numeric limits on stormwater compliance, I strongly urge the Board to thoroughly review and evaluate all aspects of the proposed issue and encourage you to frame the context of any decisions to implement numeric limits of stormwater within a Statewide level. I look forward to receiving any updates you may be able to provide on the progress of this process. In the future, should you require my assistance on this issue at anytime, please feel free to contact me at my City Council Office at (626) 307-1465.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Benjamin 'Frank' Venti".

Benjamin "Frank" Venti
Mayor
City of Monterey Park

C: Geoff Brosseau, Executive Director, CASQA