



## Los Angeles Regional Water Quality Control Board

May 28, 2024

Via Email Only

Permittees of the Palos Verdes Peninsula Watershed Group<sup>1</sup>

**FINAL APPROVAL OF THE PALOS VERDES PENINSULA GROUP'S WATERSHED MANAGEMENT PROGRAM (WMP) PURSUANT TO THE REGIONAL MUNICIPAL SEPARATE STORM SEWER SYSTEM (MS4) WASTE DISCHARGE REQUIREMENTS AND NATIONAL POLLUTANT DISCHARGE ELIMINATION SYSTEM (NPDES) PERMIT FOR THE LOS ANGELES REGION (NPDES PERMIT NO. CAS004004; ORDER NO. R4-2021-0105)**

Dear Permittees of the Palos Verdes Peninsula Watershed Group:

The Regional MS4 Permit (Order No. R4-2021-0105) authorizes discharges from the MS4 operated by 99 municipal Permittees within the coastal watersheds of Los Angeles and Ventura Counties (hereafter, Regional MS4 Permit or Order). The Regional MS4 Permit allows Permittees the option to use a Watershed Management Program (WMP) to implement many of the permit's requirements through customized strategies, control measures, and best management practices (BMPs).

The Los Angeles Regional Water Quality Control Board (Los Angeles Water Board or Board), approved with conditions, the Palos Verdes Peninsula Group's WMP on October 19, 2022<sup>2</sup>. The conditional approval letter directed the Group to submit a final WMP that satisfies all the conditions listed in the letter no later than December 19, 2022. On December 19, 2022, the Group submitted its final WMP, as directed. On February 13, 2024, the Los Angeles Water Board requested the Group to make minor modifications to the WMP. On March 5, 2024, the Group submitted the final revised WMP.

After review of the final Group's WMP submitted on March 5, 2024, the Los Angeles Water Board has determined that the Group's final WMP satisfies all the conditions identified in the October 19, 2022 conditional approval letter. The WMP submitted on March 5, 2024 constitutes the final approved WMP for the Group.

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<sup>1</sup> Permittees of Palos Verdes Peninsula Watershed Management Group include Los Angeles County, Los Angeles County Flood Control District and the Cities of Palos Verdes Estates, Ranch Palos Verdes, Rolling Hills Estates, and Rolling Hills.

<sup>2</sup> As a clarification to the conditional approval letter, note that the Santa Monica Bay Beaches Bacteria TMDL is not applicable to the Group and therefore deemed compliance is not applicable for those constituents.

**NORMA CAMACHO, CHAIR | SUSANA ARREDONDO, EXECUTIVE OFFICER**

The Group may propose WMP modifications at any time during the term of the Order, as necessary. The Group shall provide a standalone written request explaining the nature of the proposed modification(s) and justification for consideration by the Los Angeles Water Board. Such justification may include the need to align the timing of implementation for a specific project with a project partner that is not regulated by the Regional MS4 Permit.

If you have any questions about this letter, please contact Susana Vargas with the Municipal Stormwater Permitting Unit by email at [Susana.Vargas@waterboards.ca.gov](mailto:Susana.Vargas@waterboards.ca.gov) or by phone at (213) 576-6688. Alternatively, you may also contact Ivar Ridgeway, Municipal Stormwater Permitting Unit Supervisor by email at [Ivar.Ridgeway@waterboards.ca.gov](mailto:Ivar.Ridgeway@waterboards.ca.gov) or by phone at (213) 620-2150.

Sincerely,

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