

October 16, 2009

VIA EMAIL AND U.S. Mail

Mr. Ivar Ridgeway [iridgeway@waterboards.ca.gov] Municipal Permits Section California Regional Water Quality Control Board, Los Angeles Region 320 W. 4th Street, Suite 200 Los Angeles, CA 90013

Re: Entry and Designation of the City of Bell as "Party" to the Proposed Modification to the County of Los Angeles Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System Permit to Incorporate provisions of the Los Angeles River Watershed Trash TMDL NPDES Permit No. CAS 004001; Public Notice No. 09-117

Dear Mr. Ivar:

The City of Bell (City) is a co-Permittee to the Los Angeles County Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System Permit (NPDES No. CAS004001, Board Order No. 01-182 as amended by Order Nos. R4-2006-0074 and R4-2007-0042) (LA MS4 Permit) and is a City located in the Los Angeles River Watershed and subject to the provisions of the Los Angeles River Watershed Trash Total Maximum Daily Load (Trash TMDL) established by the California Regional Water Quality Control Board, Los Angeles Region (Regional Board) in Resolution No. 07-012 on August 9, 2007 and effective on September 23, 2008. The City hereby requests to be designated and entered as a "Party" to the above referenced adjudicatory action by the Regional Board. As indicated in the Regional Board's "Notice of Public Hearing" dated October 8, 2009, the authorized and designated City representative(s) to receive any further communications and information are as follows:

City Contact	Legal Contact	Technical Contact
Carlos Alvarado, City Engineer	Edward W. Lee,	Kevin J. Powers, Environmental
City of Bell	City Attorney	Compliance Coordinator
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		kevinpowers@caaprofessionals.com

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If you require additional information or would like to discuss this matter, please feel free to contact me at your convenience.

Sincerely yours,

City of Bell

Carlos Alvarado City Engineer

cc: Robert A. Rizzo

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Mr. Ivar Ridgeway 320 W. 4th Street, Suite 200 Los Angeles, California 90013 iridgeway@waterboards.ca.gov

Re: Proposed Amendment to Incorporate the Los Angeles River Trash TMDL into the County of Los Angeles Municipal NPDES Permit, NPDES Permit No. CAS004001, Order No. 01-182

Dear Mr. Ridgeway:

The City of Bellflower (City) is in receipt of the Regional Board's Notice of Public Hearing dated October 8, 2009, concerning the incorporation of the Los Angeles River Trash TMDL into the Los Angeles County Municipal Stormwater Permit (Permit). The purpose of this letter is to advise you that the City is hereby requesting that it be granted "party" status in connection with all matters involving the incorporation of the Trash TMDL into the subject Permit, of which the City is a copermittee, including the upcoming hearing scheduled for December 10, 2009. All Notices involving this matter should be directed as follows:

City of Bellflower

Attention: Michael J. Egan, City Manager

16600 Civic Center Drive Bellflower, CA 90706 megan@bellflower.org

Phone Number: 562-804-1424, ext. 2207

Facsimile Number: 562-925-8660

Sincerely.

Michael J. Egan City Manager

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October 12, 2009

VIA ELECTRONIC MAIL
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Mr. Ivar Ridgeway 320 W. 4th Street, Suite 200 Los Angeles, California 90013 iridgeway@waterboards.ca.gov

Re: Proposed Amendment to Incorporate the Los Angeles River Trash TMDL into the County of Los Angeles Municipal NPDES Permit, NPDES Permit No. CAS004001, Order No. 01-182

Dear Mr. Ridgeway:

The City of Bell Gardens is in receipt of the Regional Board's Notice of Public Hearing dated October 8, 2009, concerning the incorporation of the Los Angeles River Trash TMDL into the Los Angeles County Municipal Stormwater Permit. The purpose of this letter is to advise you that the City is hereby requesting that it be granted "party" status in connection with all matters involving the incorporation of the Trash TMDL into the subject Permit, including the upcoming hearing scheduled for December 10, 2009. All Notices involving this matter should be directed as follows:

John E. Oropeza, Director of Public Works 8327 Garfield Avenue, Bell Gardens, CA 90201 joropeza@bellgardens.org 562-806-7770 562-806-7789 Facsimile

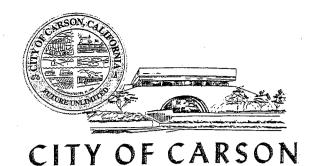
If you have any questions or need any additional information concerning this letter, please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned. Thank you for your assistance.

Very truly yours,

Philip Wagne

Acting City Manager

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Mr. Ivar Ridgeway 320 W. 4th Street, Suite 200 Los Angeles, California 90013 iridgeway@waterboards.ca.gov

Proposed Amendment to Incorporate the Los Angeles River Trash TMDL into the Re: County of Los Angeles Municipal NPDES Permit, NPDES Permit No. CAS004001, Order No. 01-182

Dear Mr. Ridgeway:

The city of Carson ("City") is in receipt of the Regional Board's Notice of Public Hearing dated October 8, 2009, concerning the incorporation of the Los Angeles River Trash TMDL into the Los Angeles County Municipal Stormwater Permit. The purpose of this letter is to advise you that the City is hereby requesting that it be granted "party" status in connection with all matters involving the incorporation of the Trash TMDL into the subject Permit, including the upcoming hearing scheduled for December 10, 2009. All Notices involving this matter should be directed as follows:

Ms. Patricia Elkins, Storm Water Quality Programs Manager 701 E. Carson Street, Carson, CA 90745 pelkins@carson.ca.us Phone Number: (310) 847-3529 Facsimile Number: (310) 830-0946

If you have any questions or need any additional information concerning this letter, please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned. Thank you for your assistance.

Very truly yours,

Jerome G. Groomes

City Manager



City of Commerce

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Office of the City Administrator

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Mr. Ivar Ridgeway 320 W. 4th Street, Suite 200 Los Angeles, California 90013 iridgeway@waterboards.ca.gov

Re: Proposed Amendment to Incorporate the Los Angeles River Trash TMDL into the County of Los Angeles Municipal NPDES Permit, NPDES Permit No. CAS004001, Order No. 01-182

Dear Mr. Ridgeway:

The City of Commerce (City) is in receipt of the Regional Board's Notice of Public Hearing dated October 8, 2009, concerning the incorporation of the Los Angeles River Trash TMDL into the Los Angeles County Municipal Stormwater Permit. The purpose of this letter is to advise you that the City is hereby requesting that it be granted "party" status in connection with all matters involving the incorporation of the Trash TMDL into the subject Permit, including the upcoming hearing scheduled for December 10, 2009. All Notices involving this matter should be directed as follows:

Mr. Jorge Rifa 2535 Commerce Way Jorger@ci.commerce.ca.us Phone Number: (323) 722-4805 Facsimile Number: (323) 726-6231

If you have any questions or need any additional information concerning this letter, please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned. Thank you for your assistance.

Very truly yours

Jørge Rifa

City"Administrator

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October 13, 2009

Mr. Ivar Ridgeway
Los Angeles Region Water Quality Control Board
320 W. 4th Street, Suite 200
Los Angeles, California 90013
iridgeway@waterboards.ca.gov

Re:

Proposed Amendment to Incorporate the Los Angeles River Trash TMD into the County of Los Angeles Municipal NPDES Permit –

NPDES Permit No. CAS004001, Order No. 01-182

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Dear Mr. Ridgeway:

The City of Gardena ("City") is in receipt of the Regional Board's Notice of Public Hearing, dated October 8, 2009, concerning the incorporation of the Los Angeles River Trash TMDL into the Los Angeles County Municipal Stormwater Permit. The purpose of this letter is to advise you that the City is hereby requesting that it be granted "party" status in connection with all matters involving the incorporation of the Trash TMDL into the subject Permit, including the upcoming hearing scheduled for December 10, 2009.

All Notices involving this matter should be directed to:

Mr. John Felix, Associate Engineer City of Gardena, 1700 W. 162nd Street, Gardena, CA 90247

ifelix@ci.gardena.ca.us

Phone Number: 310/217-9643 Facsimile Number: 310/217-9676

If you have any questions or need any additional information concerning this letter, please do not hesitate to contact me, 310/217-9505.

Thank you for your assistance.

Respectfully,

MITCHELL G. LANSDELL

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City Manager

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c: John Felix, Associate Engineer Bruce Pollack, Public Works Director

MAILING ADDRESS: P.O. BOX 47003, GARDENA, CALIFORNIA 90247-6803 / FAX NO: (310) 217-9694 / WEB SITE: www.ci.gardena.ca.us



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Mr. Ivar Ridgeway		
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California Regional Water Quality Control Board, Los Angeles Region		
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Re: Entry and Designation of the City of Hidden Hills as "Party" to the Proposed Modification to the County of Los Angeles Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System Permit to Incorporate Provisions of the Los Angeles River Watershed Trash TMDL NPDES Permit No. CAS 004001; Public Notice No. 09-117

Dear Mr. Ivar:

The City of Hidden Hills (City) is a co-Permittee to the Los Angeles County Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System Permit (NPDES No. CAS004001, Board Order No. 01-182 as amended by Order Nos. R4-2006-0074 and R4-2007-0042) (LA MS4 Permit) and is a City located in the Los Angeles River Watershed and subject to the provisions of the Los Angeles River Watershed Trash Total Maximum Daily Load (Trash TMDL) established by the California Regional Water Quality Control Board, Los Angeles Region (Regional Board) in Resolution No. 07-012 on August 9, 2007 and effective on September 23, 2008. The City hereby requests to be designated and entered as a "Party" to the above referenced adjudicatory action by the Regional Board. As indicated in the Regional Board's "Notice of Public Hearing" dated October 8, 2009, the authorized and designated City representative(s) to receive any further communications and information are as follows:

City Contact	Legal Contact	Technical Contact
Cherie L. Paglia, City Manager	Candice K. Lee,	Kevin J. Powers, Environmental
City of Hidden Hills	Assistant City Attorney	Compliance Coordinator
6165 Spring Valley Road	Richards, Watson, and Gershon	2601 Airport Drive, Suite 110
Hidden Hills, CA 91302	355 South Grand Ave. 40th Floor	Torrance, CA 90505
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Facsimile: (818) 719-0083	Telephone: (213) 626-8484	Facsimile: (310) 534-8082
Email	E-mail:clee@rwglaw.com	Email:
citymanager@hiddenhillscity.org		kevinpowers@caaprofessionals.com

Mr. Ivar Ridgeway CRWQCB October 16, 2009 Page 2

If you require additional information or would like to discuss this matter, please feel free to contact me at your convenience.

Sincerely,

CITY OF HIDDEN HILLS

Cherie L. Paglia
City Manager

CLP:kp

cc: City Council

Dirk Lovett, City Engineer Roxanne Diaz, City Attorney

Candice Lee, Assistant City Attórney



October 15, 2009

VIA ELECTRONIC MAIL
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Mr. Ivar Ridgeway 320 W. 4th Street, Suite 200 Los Angeles, California 90013 iridgeway@waterboards.ca.gov

Re: Proposed Amendment to Incorporate the Los Angeles River Trash TMDL into the County of Los Angeles Municipal NPDES Permit, NPDES Permit No. CAS004001, Order No. 01-182

Dear Mr. Ridgeway:

The City of Irwindale ("City") is in receipt of the Regional Board's Notice of Public Hearing dated October 8, 2009, concerning the incorporation of the Los Angeles River Trash TMDL into the Los Angeles County Municipal Stormwater Permit. The purpose of this letter is to advise you that the City is hereby requesting that it be granted "party" status in connection with all matters involving the incorporation of the Trash TMDL into the subject Permit, including the upcoming hearing scheduled for December 10, 2009. All Notices involving this matter should be directed as follows:

Kwok Tam, Director of Public Works 5050 N. Irwindale Avenue Irwindale, CA 91706 ktam@ci.irwindale.ca.us

Phone Number: (626)430-2212 Facsimile Number: (626)430-2295

If you have any questions or need any additional information concerning this letter, please do not hesitate to contact Mr. Tam at the above-referenced number. We thank you in advance for your assistance.

Very truly yours,

Camille Diaz

Assistant City Manager



Office of the City Manager

October 16, 2009

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Mr. Ivar Ridgeway (iridgeway@waterboards.ca.gov)
Municipal Permits Section
California Regional Water Quality Control Board, Los Angeles Region
320 W. 4th Street, Suite 200
Los Angeles, CA 90013

RE: ENTRY AND DESIGNATION OF THE CITY OF MONROVIA AS "PARTY" TO THE PROPOSED MODIFICATION TO THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES MUNICIPAL SEPARATE STORM SEWER SYSTEM PERMIT TO INCORPORATE PROVISIONS OF THE LOS ANGELES RIVER WATERSHED TRASH TMDL NPDES PERMIT NO. CAS004001; PUBLIC NOTICE NO. 09-117

Dear Mr. Ivar:

The City of Monrovia (City) is a co-Permittee to the Los Angeles County Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System Permit (NPDES No. CAS004001, Board Order No. 01-182 as amended by Order Nos. R4-2006-0074 and R4-2007-0042) (LA MS4 Permit) and is a City located in the Los Angeles River Watershed and subject to the provisions of the Los Angeles River Watershed Trash Total Maximum Daily Load (Trash TMDL) established by the California Regional Water Quality Control Board, Los Angeles Region (Regional Board) in Resolution No. 07-012 on August 9, 2007 and effective on September 23, 2008. The City hereby requests to be designated and entered as a "Party" to the above referenced adjudicatory action by the Regional Board. As indicated in the Regional Board's "Notice of Public Hearing" dated October 8, 2009, the authorized and designated City representative(s) to receive any further communications and information are as follows:

City Contact	Legal Contact
Scott Ochoa, City Manager	Craig A. Steele, Esq.
City of Monrovia	City Attorney
415 South Ivy Avenue	Richards, Watson, and Gershon
Monrovia, CA 91016	355 South Grand Ave. 40th Floor
Telephone: (626) 932-5550	Los Angeles, CA 90071-3101
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Email: sochoa@ci.monrovia.ca.us	E-mail:csteele@rwglaw.com

If you require additional information or would like to discuss this matter, please feel free to contact me at your convenience.

Sincerely yours,

Scoπ Ocnoa City Manager

cc: Candice Lee, Esq.

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Re: Proposed Amendment to Incorporate the Los Angeles River Trash TMDL into the County of Los Angeles Municipal NPDES Permit, NPDES Permit No. CASO04001, Order No. 01-182

Dear Mr. Ridgeway:

The City of Monterey Park ("City") is in receipt of the Regional Board's Notice of Public Hearing dated October 8, 2009, concerning the incorporation of the Los Angeles River Trash TMDL into the Los Angeles County Municipal Stormwater Permit. The purpose of this letter is to advise you that the City is hereby requesting that it be granted "party" status in connection with all matters involving the incorporation of the Trash TMDL into the subject Permit, including the upcoming hearing scheduled for December 10, 2009. All Notices involving this matter should be directed as follows:

Elias Saykali, Director of Public Works

Electronic mail: esaykali@montereypark.ca.gov

Phone Number: (626) 307-1383 Facsimile Number: (626) 307-2500

If you have any questions or need any additional information concerning this letter, please do not hesitate to contact Elias Saykali. Thank you for your assistance.

Sincerely,

June Yotsuya City Manager

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DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

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October 19, 2009

Mr. Ivar Ridgeway California Regional Water Quality Control Board, Los Angeles Region 320 West 4th Street, Suite 200 Los Angeles, California 90013

Dear Mr. Ridgeway:

Proposed Modification to Los Angeles County MS4 Permit

<u>Los Angeles River Watershed Trash TMDL</u>

This letter is to inform you that the City of Pasadena received Public Notice No. 09-117 (NPDES No. CAS004001), informing us of a public hearing on December 10, 2009, related to the Los Angeles River Watershed Trash TMDL being incorporated into the Los Angeles County MS4 Permit. The City has also received a copy of the letter dated October 15, 2009 from the Los Angeles County Department of Public Works to the Los Angeles Regional Water Board, indicating they do not intend to present evidence on behalf of any of the co-permittees. The City of Pasadena is therefore requesting to be granted party status, and upon further review of the documents provided may submit public comments and/or evidence.

Please forward all notices regarding this matter to my attention at mpastucha@cityofpasadena.net. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at (626) 744-4233.

Sincerely,

MARTIN PASTUCHA
Director of Public Works

October 19, 2009

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NPDES Permit No. CAS004001; Public Notice No. 09-117

Entry and Designation of the City of San Fernando as "Party" to the Proposed Modification to the County of Los Angeles Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System Permit to Incorporate provisions of the Los Angeles River Watershed Trash TMDL

Dear Mr. Ivar:

Re:

The City of San Fernando (City) is a co-Permittee to the Los Angeles County Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System Permit (NPDES No. CAS004001, Board Order No. 01-182 as amended by Order Nos. R4-2006-0074 and R4-2007-0042) (LA MS4 Permit) and is a City located in the Los Angeles River Watershed and subject to the provisions of the Los Angeles River Watershed Trash Total Maximum Daily Load (Trash TMDL) established by the California Regional Water Quality Control Board, Los Angeles Region (Regional Board) in Resolution No. 07-012 on August 9, 2007 and effective on September 23, 2008. The City hereby requests to be designated and entered as a "Party" to the above referenced adjudicatory action by the Regional Board. As indicated in the Regional Board's "Notice of Public Hearing" dated October 8, 2009, the authorized and designated City representative(s) to receive any further communications and information are as follows:

City Contact	Legal Contact
Ron Ruiz, Public Works Director City of San Fernando 117 MacNeil Street San Fernando, CA 91340 Telephone: (818) 898-1237 Facsimile: (818) 361-6728 Email: rruiz@sfcity.org	Candice Lee Assistant City Attorney Richards, Watson, and Gershon 355 South Grand Ave. 40th Floor Los Angeles, CA 90071-3101 Telephone: (213) 626-8484 E-mail:clee@rwglaw.com

If you require additional information or would like to discuss this matter, please feel free to contact me at your convenience.

Sincerely yours,

City of San Fernando

Ron Ruiz Public Works Director

cc: Candice Lee

City of San Marino



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MATTHEW C. BALLANTYNE
City Manager

Re: Entry and Designation of the City of San Marino as "Party" to the Proposed Modification to the County of Los Angeles Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System Permit to Incorporate provisions of the Los Angeles River Watershed Trash TMDL NPDES Permit No. CAS004001; Public Notice No. 09-117

Dear Mr. Ivar:

The City of San Marino(City) is a co-Permittee to the Los Angeles County Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System Permit (NPDES No. CAS004001, Board Order No. 01-182 as amended by Order Nos. R4-2006-0074 and R4-2007-0042) (LA MS4 Permit) and is a City located in the Los Angeles River Watershed and subject to the provisions of the Los Angeles River Watershed Trash Total Maximum Daily Load (Trash TMDL) established by the California Regional Water Quality Control Board, Los Angeles Region (Regional Board) in Resolution No. 07-012 on August 9, 2007 and effective on September 23, 2008. The City hereby requests to be designated and entered as a "Party" to the above referenced adjudicatory action by the Regional Board. As indicated in the Regional Board's "Notice of Public Hearing" dated October 8, 2009, the authorized and designated City representative(s) to receive any further communications and information are as follows:

City Contact	Legal Contact
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If you require additional information or would like to discuss this matter, please feel free to contact me at your convenience.

Sincerely yours,

City of San Marino

Matt Ballantyne
City Manager

cc: Norm Dupont, Esq.

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<u>VIA ELECTRONIC MAIL</u> AND FIRST CLASS U.S. MAIL

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Re: Proposed Amendment to Incorporate the Los Angeles River Trash TMDL into the County of Los Angeles Municipal NPDES Permit, NPDES Permit No. CAS004001, Order No. 01-182

Dear Mr. Ridgeway:

The City of Signal Hill ("City") is in receipt of the Regional Board's Notice of Public Hearing dated October 8, 2009, concerning the incorporation of the Los Angeles River Trash TMDL into the Los Angeles County Municipal Stormwater Permit. The purpose of this letter is to advise you that the City is hereby requesting that it be granted "party" status in connection with all matters involving the incorporation of the Trash TMDL into the subject Permit, including the upcoming hearing scheduled for December 10, 2009. All Notices involving this matter should be directed as follows:

Kenneth C. Farfsing, City Manager 2175 Cherry Avenue, Signal Hill, CA 90755 kfarfsing@cityofsignahill.org Phone Number: 562-989-7302 Facsimile Number: 562-989-7393

If you have any questions or need any additional information concerning this letter, please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned. Thank you for your assistance.

Sincerely,

Kenneth C. Farfsing City Manager



CITY OF SOUTH EL MONTE



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Mr. Ivar Ridgeway (iridgeway@waterboards.ca.gov) Municipal Permits Section California Regional Water Quality Control Board, Los Angeles Region 320 W. 4th Street, Suite 200 Los Angeles, CA 90013

Re: Entry and Designation of the City of South El Monte as "Party" to the Proposed Modification to the County of Los Angeles Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System Permit to Incorporate provisions of the Los Angeles River Watershed Trash TMDL NPDES Permit No. CAS004001; Public Notice No. 09-117

Dear Mr. Ivar:

The City of South El Monte (City) is a co-Permittee to the Los Angeles County Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System Permit (NPDES No. CAS004001, Board Order No. 01-182 as amended by Order Nos. R4-2006-0074 and R4-2007-0042) (LA MS4 Permit) and is a City located in the Los Angeles River Watershed and subject to the provisions of the Los Angeles River Watershed Trash Total Maximum Daily Load (Trash TMDL) established by the California Regional Water Quality Control Board, Los Angeles Region (Regional Board) in Resolution No. 07-012 on August 9, 2007 and effective on September 23, 2008. The City hereby requests to be designated and entered as a "Party" to the above referenced adjudicatory action by the Regional Board. As indicated in the Regional Board's "Notice of Public Hearing" dated October 8, 2009, the authorized and designated City representative(s) to receive any further communications and information are as follows:

City Contact	Legal Contact
Anthony R. Ybarra, City Manager City of South El Monte 1415 Santa Anita Avenue South El Monte, CA 91733 Telephone: (626) 579-6540 Facsimile: (626) 579-2107	Quinn Barrow, Esq. City Attorney Richards, Watson, and Gershon 355 South Grand Ave. 40th Floor Los Angeles, CA 90071-3101
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If you require additional information or would like to discuss this matter, please feel free to contact me at your convenience.

Sincerely yours,

City of South El Monte

Anthony R. Ybarra

City Manager

cc: Candice Lee, Esq.



City of South Gate

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RONALD BATES, PH. D. CITY MANAGER

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Dear Mr. Ridgeway:

The City of South Gate ("City") is in receipt of the Regional Board's Notice of Public Hearing dated October 8, 2009, concerning the incorporation of the Los Angeles River Trash TMDL into the Los Angeles County Municipal Stormwater Permit. The purpose of this letter is to advise you that the City is hereby requesting that it be granted "party" status in connection with all matters involving the incorporation of the Trash TMDL into the subject Permit, including the upcoming hearing scheduled for December 10, 2009. All Notices involving this matter should be directed as follows:

Robert Dickey
Public Works Director
rdickey@sogate.org
(323)563-9512
(323)563-9572 fax

If you have any questions or need any additional information concerning this letter, please do not hesitate to contact me or Public Works Director Robert Dickey at (323)563-9512. Thank you for your assistance.

Sincerely.

Ronald Bates, Ph.D. City Manager

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COMMUNITY SERVICES & WATER DEPARTMENT

Samuel Kevin Wilson, Director of Community Services & Water 4305 Santa Fe Avenue, Vernon, California 90058 Telephone (323) 583–8811 Fax (323) 826-1435

October 19, 2009

VIA EMAIL AND U.S. Mail

Mr. Ivar Ridgeway (iridgeway@waterboards.ca.gov)
Municipal Permits Section
California Regional Water Quality Control Board, Los Angeles Region
320 W. 4th Street, Suite 200
Los Angeles, CA 90013

Re: Entry and Designation of the City of Vernon as "Party" to the Proposed Modification to the County of Los Angeles Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System Permit to Incorporate provisions of the Los Angeles River Watershed Trash TMDL

NPDES Permit No. CAS004001; Public Notice No. 09-117

Dear Mr. Ivar:

The City of Vernon(City) is a co-Permittee to the Los Angeles County Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System Permit (NPDES No. CAS004001, Board Order No. 01-182 as amended by Order Nos. R4-2006-0074 and R4-2007-0042) (LA MS4 Permit) and is a City located in the Los Angeles River Watershed and subject to the provisions of the Los Angeles River Watershed Trash Total Maximum Daily Load (Trash TMDL) established by the California Regional Water Quality Control Board, Los Angeles Region (Regional Board) in Resolution No. 07-012 on August 9, 2007 and effective on September 23, 2008. The City hereby requests to be designated and entered as a "Party" to the above referenced adjudicatory action by the Regional Board. As indicated in the Regional Board's "Notice of Public Hearing" dated October 8, 2009, the authorized and designated City representative(s) to receive any further communications and information are as follows:

City Contact	Legal Contact
Samuel K. Wilson	Laurence S. Wiener, Esq.
Director of Community Services & Water	City Attorney
4305 Santa Fe Avenue	Richards, Watson, and Gershon
Vernon, CA 90058	355 South Grand Ave. 40th Floor
Telephone: (323) 583-8811	Los Angeles, CA 90071-3101
Facsimile: (323) 826-1435	Telephone: (213) 626-8484
Email: swilson@ci.vernon.ca.us	E-mail:lwiener@rwglaw.com

If you require additional information or would like to discuss this matter, please feel free to contact me at your convenience.

Sincerely yours,

City of Vernon

Donal O'Callaghan
City Administrator

c: Candice Lee, Esq.



October 13, 2009

VIA ELECTRÓNIC MAIL AND FIRST CLASS U.S. MAIL

Mr. Ivar Ridgeway 320 W. 4th Street, Suite 200 Los Angeles, California 90013 iridgeway@waterboards.ca.gov

Re: Proposed Amendment to Incorporate the Los Angeles River Trash TMDL into the County of Los Angeles Municipal NPDES Permit, NPDES Permit No. CAS004001, Order No. 01-182

Dear Mr. Ridgeway:

The City of West Covina ("City") is in receipt of the Regional Board's Notice of Public Hearing dated October 8, 2009, concerning the incorporation of the Los Angeles River Trash TMDL into the Los Angeles County Municipal Stormwater Permit. The purpose of this letter is to advise you that the City is hereby requesting that it be granted "party" status in connection with all matters involving the incorporation of the Trash TMDL into the subject Permit, including the upcoming hearing scheduled for December 10, 2009. All notices involving this matter should be directed as follows:

Andrew G. Pasmant
1444 W. Garvey Avenue South
West Covina, CA 91790
andrew.pasmant@westcovina.org
Phone Number: (626) 939-8401
Facsimile Number: (626) 939-8406

If you have any questions or need any additional information concerning this letter, please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned. Thank you for your assistance.

Very truly yours,

La Andrew G. Pasmant

City Manager



GAIL FARBER, Director

COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

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IN REPLY PLEASE

REFER TO FILE:

WM-9

October 15, 2009

Ms. Tracy Egoscue
Executive Officer
California Regional Water Quality
Control Board – Los Angeles Region
320 West 4th Street, Suite 200
Los Angeles, CA 90013-2343

Attention Mr. Ivar Ridgeway

Dear Ms. Egoscue:

PROPOSED MODIFICATION TO THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES MUNICIPAL SEPARATE STORMWATER SEWER SYSTEM PERMIT

The County of Los Angeles (County) is in receipt of the Los Angeles Regional Water Quality Control Board (Regional Board) Public Notice No. 09-117, announcing a December 10, 2009, public hearing to modify the Los Angeles County Municipal Separate Stormwater Sewer System Permit (Permit) to incorporate the Los Angeles River Trash Total Maximum Daily Load. The purpose of this letter is to address the party designation portion of that notice.

Please be advised that we believe that your public notice regarding party status is not in accordance with California Code of Regulations 23 CCR § 648.1. This regulation provides in pertinent part that "the party or parties to an adjudicative proceeding before the Board shall include the person or persons to whom the agency action is directed and any other person whom the Board determines should be designated as a party." Because the subject of the hearing is amendment of the Permit, the Regional Board's proposed agency action is directed to all permittees. The provisions of the notice precluding permittees from participating as parties unless they formally request party status is inconsistent with this regulation as well as Government Code, Section 11425.10(a)(1).

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Ms. Tracy Egoscue October 15, 2009 Page 2

To confirm our understanding that the County is a party to this proceeding, this letter serves as a notice that the County intends to participate as a party in the proceeding. To the extent your Board believes a request is necessary, please treat this letter as such a request. Pertinent information should be sent to:

Name:

Mr. Hector Bordas

Title:

Principal Civil Engineer

Address:

County of Los Angeles

Department of Public Works

Watershed Management Division

P.O. Box 1460

Alhambra, CA 91802-1460

Telephone:

(626) 458-5947

Email:

hbordas@dpw.lacounty.gov

If you have any questions, please contact me or your staff may contact Mr. Bordas.

Very truly yours,

GAIL FARBER

Director of Public Works

GARY HILDEBRAND

Assistant Deputy Director

Watershed Management Division

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cc: Chief Executive Office (Lari Sheehan)

From:

Kirsten James <kjames@healthebay.org>

To:

"iridgeway@waterboards.ca.gov" <iridgeway@waterboards.ca.gov>

CC:

Tracy Egoscue <tegoscue@waterboards.ca.gov>, Mark Gold <mgold@healthebay...

Date:

10/14/2009 1:45 PM

Subject:

Request for Party Status - LA MS4 Reopener for LA River Trash TMDL

Mr. Ridgeway;

Of behalf of Heal the Bay, we would like to request party status for the upcoming December 10, 2009 hearing on the proposal to narrowly reopen the waste discharge requirements for the Los Angeles County Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System Permit to incorporate provisions that are consistent with the Waste Load Allocations established in the Los Angeles River Watershed Trash TMDL.

Please let me know if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Kirsten James

Kirsten James | Water Quality Director Heal the Bay | 1444 9th Street | Santa Monica CA 90401 Tel: 310 451 1500 X162 [cid:image001.jpg@01CA4CD0.E6036090]

To be a part of this once-in-a-lifetime benefit event, visit www.healthebay.org/LaSoiree<http://www.healthebay.org/LaSoiree>.



CITY OF LAVERNE CITY HALL

3660 "D" Street, La Verne, California 91750-3599 www.ci.la-verne.ca.us

October 19, 2009

Mr. Ivar Ridgeway 320 W. 4th Street, Suite 200 Los Angeles, CA 90013

Subject:

PROPOSED MODIFICATION TO THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES MUNICIPAL SEPARATE STORM SEWER SYSTEM PERMIT

Dear Mr. Ridgeway,

This letter is to request that the City of La Verne to be included as a party to the proposed modification of the County of Los Angeles Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System Permit. The City of La Verne wishes to reserve the ability to submit future comments on this issue and has been notified that it must submit such a request to reserve that right.

If you have any questions or concerns about this request, please contact JR Ranells at (909) 596-8741.

Sincerely,

Daniel W. Keesey

Director of Public Works



From:

"Sharon Perlstein" <SPerlstein@weho.org>

To:

<iridgeway@waterboards.ca.gov>

Date:

10/16/2009 8:33 AM

Subject:

City of West Hollywood - Request for Party Status - LA MS4 Permit

Dear Mr. Ridgeway,

This e-mail is in response to the Notice of Public Hearing dated October 8, 2009 regarding Proposed Modification to the County of Los Angeles Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System Permit, Pubic Notice No. 09-117, NPDES No. CA S004001. Please include the City of West Hollywood on the list of agencies Party to this issue.

Correspondence should be sent to my attention using the contact information noted below.

Thank you,

Sharon Perlstein, P.E.

City Engineer

City of West Hollywood

8300 Santa Monica Blvd

West Hollywood, CA 90069

Tele (323) 848-6383 Fax (323) 848-6564

e-mail: sperlstein@weho.org



October 23, 2009

VIA ELECTRONIC MAIL AND FIRST CLASS U.S. MAIL

Mr. Ivar Ridgeway 320 W. 4th Street, Suite 200 Los Angeles, California 90013 iridgeway@waterboards.ca.gov

Re: Proposed Amendment to Incorporate the Los Angeles River Trash TMDL into the County of Los Angeles Municipal NPDES Permit, NPDES Permit No. CAS004001, Order No. 01-182

Dear Mr. Ridgeway:

The City of Whittier ("City") is in receipt of the Regional Board's Notice of Public Hearing dated October 8, 2009, concerning the incorporation of the Los Angeles River Trash TMDL into the Los Angeles County Municipal Stormwater Permit. The purpose of this letter is to advise you that the City is hereby requesting that it be granted "party" status in connection with all matters involving the incorporation of the Trash TMDL into the subject Permit, including the upcoming hearing scheduled for December 10, 2009. All Notices involving this matter should be directed as follows:

David A. Pelser, Director of Public Works City of Whittier Public Works Department 13230 Penn Street Whittier, California 90602 dpelser@cityofwhittier.org Phone Number: (562) 464-3510 Facsimile Number: (562) 464-3588

If you have any questions or need any additional information concerning this letter, please do not hesitate to contact my office at (562) 464-3510. Thank you for your assistance.

Sincerely,

David A. Pelser Director of Public Works

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CALIFORNIA REGIONAL WATER QUALITY CONTROL BOARD LOS ANGELES REGION

320 W. 4th Street, Suite 200 Los Angeles, California 90013 (213) 576-6600 Order No. 01-182 (as amended) NPDES No. CAS004001

PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES MUNICIPAL SEPARATE STORM SEWER SYSTEM PERMIT

ORDER ON PARTY STATUS

The Los Angeles Regional Water Quality Control Board designated the Los Angeles County Flood Control District as a party to this proceeding. The Regional Board received 22 additional requests for party status. Rulings on each are as follows:

- 1) The requests of co-permittees County of Los Angeles, and Cities of Arcadia, Carson, Hidden Hills, Irwindale, Monrovia, Monterey Park, Pasadena, San Fernando, San Marino, Signal Hill, South El Monte, South Gate, and Vernon were timely and are hereby granted. These jurisdictions are "persons" to whom this agency action is directed and are therefore entitled to be parties to this proceeding pursuant to subdivision (a) of section 648.1, title 23, California Code of Regulations (CCR).
- The requests by the Cities of Bell and Los Angeles were untimely. The Notice of Public Hearing required requests to be submitted by 12:00 PM on October 19, 2009. Bell's request was submitted at 4:00 PM on October 19, 2009, and Los Angeles' request was submitted at 12:35 PM on October 20, 2009. Nevertheless, the delay was minimal. It has not prejudiced any other party or the Regional Board. The cities would otherwise have a right pursuant to 23 CCR 648.1(a) to participate as parties. Furthermore, with respect to the City of Los Angeles, its interest is exceptionally high in that it is the largest discharger of trash and must achieve the greatest trash reductions of all responsible jurisdictions, as determined by the Regional Board in the TMDL. Los Angeles' participation will therefore be beneficial to the development of the issues in the proceeding. Accordingly, the requests of both Bell and Los Angeles are hereby granted. All parties are hereby notified that future noncompliance with the procedures set forth in the Notice of Public Hearing may result in their dismissal as parties from the proceeding. (23 CCR § 648.1(c).)
- 3) The Regional Board also received requests on behalf of co-permittees Bellflower, Gardena, La Verne, and West Hollywood. None of these co-permittees, however, are responsible jurisdictions for compliance with the L.A. River Trash TMDL. While the Notice of Public Hearing indicated that a request by any co-permittee would be granted, in drafting the Notice of Public Hearing staff did not contemplate that permittees that are not subject to the L.A. River Trash TMDL might request party status, and therefore neglected to distinguish

between permittees who are and who are not responsible jurisdictions. As noted above, the California Code of Regulations limits the ability to participate in a quasi-adjudicative proceeding as a matter of right to "persons to whom the agency action is directed." (23 CCR §648.1(a).) Ordinarily, a modification to a permit affects all permittees, but this proceeding only imposes responsibilities upon a fraction of the permittees, and the others are not persons to whom this action is directed. Following receipt of their requests, these co-permittees were asked to submit a statement explaining the reason for their request, including how the issues to be addressed in the hearing affect them and an explanation as to why the jurisdictions subject to the L.A. River Trash TMDL do not adequately represent their interests.

- a. In response to the request, the Cities of La Verne and West Hollywood withdrew their requests for party status, recognizing that they are not directly impacted by the proposed amendments and that they may present any comments they have as interested persons in the manner specified in the Notice of Public Hearing.
- b. The Regional Board did not receive a response on behalf of the Cities of Bellflower or Gardena. Based on the aforesaid, the Regional Board cannot conclude that these cities have any unique interest in this proceeding that would not be vindicated by the parties actually designated. Accordingly, their requests for party status are hereby denied. Should representatives of Bellflower or Gardena have any comments they wish to present, they are likewise entitled to do as interested persons, in the manner specified in the Notice of Public Hearing.
- 4) The Regional Board received one request for party status on behalf of an entity that is not a co-permittee under the L.A. MS4 Permit. That request was from Heal the Bay, and it is granted. In support of its request, Heal the Bay asserts its status as "a local environmental organization dedicated to making Southern California coastal waters and watersheds, including Santa Monica Bay, safe, healthy and clean." Heal the Bay has been intimately involved in the development of the L.A. MS4 Permit and the L.A. River Trash TMDL. It has submitted numerous comments and provided oral testimony at all Regional Board and State Water Resources Control Board hearings on these two items. No other environmental organizations (or non-permittees) have requested party status, and is hereby determined that its perspective in this proceeding will further the development of the issues before the Regional Board.
- 5) The County of Los Angeles and the Los Angeles County Flood Control District asserted that the Notice of Public Hearing is unlawful in (1) establishing procedures and deadlines for affected permittees to assert their participation as parties, and (2) allege that all permittees have the right to be parties to the proceeding. The County and County Flood lack standing to raise these claims on behalf of other co-permittees, and as to them the claims are moot since they are both designated parties. The claims are also incorrect. As to

¹ Both letters were submitted over the signature of Assistant Deputy Director Gary Hildebrand, of the County of Los Angeles Department of Public Works.

the first issue, section 648.1(a) expressly authorizes the establishment of procedures for designating parties to a particular proceeding in the hearing notice. In this proceeding, 43 of the 84 co-permittees are "persons to whom the agency action is directed." Nevertheless, given the number of permittees (and possible parties), and the fact that the permit modifications may pose varying degrees of obligations depending upon the situation of each (number of storm drains, location, etc.) and as a result not all may desire to participate, it is appropriate for the Regional Board to ascertain which affected permittees intend to participate as parties, so that pre-hearing and hearing processes may be tailored accordingly. The second issue was addressed in paragraph 3), above. The objections to the party-designation procedures are hereby overruled.

6) The designated parties to this proceeding, with their contact information, are set forth on Attachment A hereto. To the extent feasible, the parties that are co-permittees are requested (but not required) to coordinate their filings and presentations (to the extent their perspectives may be aligned) and to consider whether they can designate one or more of themselves as their lead point or points of contact. Each party is directed to copy all other parties on any submittals or filings that they may have.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

October 22, 2009

Madelyn Glickfeld

Vice Chair

Attachment A

Party:	Fig. Contact Name ()	Contact Information
Los Angeles County Flood Control District	Mr. Hector Bordas, Principal Civil Engineer	County of Los Angeles Department of Public Works, Watershed Management Division P.O. Box 1460 Alhambra, CA 91802-1460 hbordas@dpw.lacounty.gov
County of Los Angeles	Mr. Hector Bordas, Principal Civil Engineer	County of Los Angeles Department of Public Works, Watershed Management Division P.O. Box 1460 Alhambra, CA 91802-1460 hbordas@dpw.lacounty.gov
Arcadia	Carmen Trujillo	Public Works Services Department PO Box 60021 Arcadia, CA 91066-6021 (626) 256-6551 ctrujillo@ci.arcadia.ca.us
Bell	Kevin J. Powers, Environmental Complaince Coordinator	2601 Airport Drive, Suite 110 Torrance, CA 90505 (310) 257-2000 kevinpowers@caaprofessionals.com
Bell	Carlos Alvarado, City Engineer	6330 Pine Avenue Bell, CA 90201 (323) 588-6211 rsccengr@aol.com
Bell	Edward W. Lee, City Attorney	Best Best & Krieger, LLP 300 South Grand, 25th Floor Los Angeles, CA 90071 (213) 617-8100 edward.lee@bbklaw.com
Carson	Ms. Patricia Elkins, Storm Water Quality Programs Manager	701 East Carson St. Carson, CA 90745 (310) 847-3529 pelkins@carson.ca.us
Hidden Hills	Cherie L. Paglia, City Manager	6165 Spring Valley Road, Hidden Hills, CA 91302, citymanager@hiddenhillscity.org
Hidden Hills	Kevin J. Powers, Environmental Complaince Coordinator	2601 Airport Drive, Suite 110 Torrance, CA 90505 (310) 257-2000 kevinpowers@caaprofessionals.com

Attachment A (con't)

Hidden Hills	Candice K. Lee, Asst. City Attorney	Richards Watson & Gershon 355 S. Grand Ave., 40th Floor Los Angeles, CA 90071-3101 (213) 626-8484 clee@rwglaw.com
Irwindale	Kwok Tam, Director of Public Works	5050 North Irwindale Ave. Irwindale, CA 91706 (626) 430-2212 ktam@ci.irwindale.ca.us
Los Angeles	Donna Chen, Assistant Division Manager	1149 South Broadway, 10th Floor Los Angeles, CA 90015 (213) 485-3928 donna.chen@lacity.org
Monrovia	Scott Ochoa, City Manager	415 South Ivy Ave. Monrovia, CA 91016 (626) 932-5550 sochoa@ci.monrovia.ca.us
Monrovia	Craig A. Steele, City Attorney	Richards Watson & Gershon 355 S. Grand Ave., 40th Floor Los Angeles, CA 90071-3101 (213) 626-8484 csteele@rwglaw.com
Monterey Park	Elias Saykali, Director of Public Works	320 West Newmark Avenue Monterey Park, California 91754-2896 (626) 307-1383 esaykali@montereypark.ca.gov
Pasadena .	Martin Pastucha, Director of Public Works	100 North Garfield Ave. PO Box 7115 Pasadena, CA 91109-7215 (626) 744-4233 mpastucha@cityofpasadena.net
San Fernando	Ron Ruiz, Public Works Director	117 MacNeil St. San Fernando, CA 91340 (818) 898-1237 rruiz@sfcity.org
San Fernando	Candice K. Lee, Asst. City Attorney	Richards Watson & Gershon 355 S. Grand Ave., 40th Floor Los Angeles, CA 90071-3101 (213) 626-8484 clee@rwglaw.com
San Marino	Matt Ballantyne, City Manager	2200 Huntington Drive San Marino, CA 91108 (626) 300-0700 mballantyne@cityofsanmarino.org

Attachment A (con't)

San Marino	Norm Dupont	Richards Watson & Gershon 355 S. Grand Ave., 40th Floor Los Angeles, CA 90071-3101 (213) 626-8484 ndupont@rwglaw.com
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South El Monte	Anthony R. Ybarra, City Manager	1415 Santa Anita Ave. South El Monte, CA 91733 (626) 579-6540 tybarra@soelmonte.org
South El Monte	Quinn Barrow	Richards Watson & Gershon 355 S. Grand Ave., 40th Floor Los Angeles, CA 90071-3101 (213) 626-8484 qbarrow@rwglaw.com
South Gate	Robert Dickey, Public Works Director	8650 California Ave. South Gate, CA 90280-3075 (323) 563-9512 rdickey@sogate.org
Vernon	Samuel K. Wilson, Director of Community Services & Water	4305 Santa Fe Ave. Vernon, CA 90058 (323) 583-8811 swilson@ci.vernon.ca.us
Vernon	Laurence S. Wiener, City Attorney	Richards Watson & Gershon 355 S. Grand Ave., 40th Floor Los Angeles, CA 90071-3101 (213) 626-8484 lwiener@rwglaw.com
Heal the Bay	Mark Gold, President	1444 9th Street Santa Monica, CA 90401 (310) 451-1500 mgold@healthebay.org

CALIFORNIA REGIONAL WATER QUALITY CONTROL BOARD LOS ANGELES REGION

320 W. 4th Street, Suite 200 Los Angeles, California 90013 (213) 576-6600 Public Notice No. 09-117 NPDES No. CAS004001

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

PROPOSED MODIFICATION TO THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES MUNICIPAL SEPARATE STORM SEWER SYSTEM PERMIT

On the basis of preliminary staff review and application of lawful standards and regulations, the California Regional Water Quality Control Board, Los Angeles Region (Regional Board) proposes to narrowly reopen the waste discharge requirements (WDRs) for the Los Angeles County Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System Permit (NPDES No. CAS004001, Board Order No. 01-182 as amended by Order Nos. R4-2006-0074 and R4-2007-0042) (LA MS4 Permit) to incorporate provisions that are consistent with the Waste Load Allocations established in the Los Angeles River Watershed Trash Total Maximum Daily Load (Trash TMDL). The Trash TMDL is a regulation that was duly established in an amendment to the Regional Water Quality Control Plan (Basin Plan) and became effective on September 23, 2008.

This notice sets forth the procedures and processes the Regional Board will use at this hearing.

I. HEARING DATE AND LOCATION

The Regional Board is scheduled to hold a public hearing to consider this matter at its regularly scheduled board meeting on:

Date:

December 10, 2009

Time:

9:00 a.m

Place:

Metropolitan Water District of Southern California

700 North Alameda Street Los Angeles, CA 90012

Please check the Regional Board's website (http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/losangeles/) for the most up to date public hearing location as it is subject to change. If there should not be a quorum on the scheduled date of this hearing, all items will be automatically continued to the next scheduled meeting. A continuance of this item will not extend any deadlines set forth herein.

II. SCOPE OF HEARING

The matter before the Regional Board is the incorporation into the LA MS4 Permit of provisions that implement the Trash TMDL. The validity of the Trash TMDL is not an issue before the Regional Board in this proceeding. Any evidence or argument attempting to challenge the validity of the Trash TMDL or any aspects of it will not be permitted.

III. NATURE OF HEARING

This proceeding will be a formal adjudicatory proceeding pursuant to section 648 et seq. of title 23 of the California Code of Regulations. Chapter 5 of the California Administrative Procedure Act (commencing with section 11500 of the Government Code) relating to formal adjudicative hearings does not apply to adjudicative hearings before the Regional Board, except as otherwise specified in the above-referenced regulations.

IV. AVAILABILITY OF DOCUMENTS

The proposed LA MS4 Permit modifications are posted on the Regional Board's website at http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/losangeles/water_issues/programs/stormwater/municipal/index.sht ml. The Administrative Record Index, which identifies the materials on which the modifications are based will be posted within one week of this notice. All existing materials identified in the Index will be available for inspection and copying between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. at the following address:

California Regional Water Quality Control Board Los Angeles Region 320 West 4th Street, Suite 200 Los Angeles, CA 90013

Arrangements for file review and/or obtaining copies of documents in the Administrative Record may be made by calling the Los Angeles Regional Board at (213) 576-6600. Responses to comments and other subsequent relevant documents will be available online as they are generated.

All the materials identified in the Administrative Record Index will be included in the Administrative Record of this proceeding, irrespective of whether individual documents are specifically referenced during the hearing or contained in the agenda packet. However, the entire Administrative Record may not be present at the hearing. Should any parties or interested persons desire Regional Board staff to bring to the hearing any particular documents in the Administrative Record they must submit a written or electronic request to the Regional Board staff member identified in section X. below no later than 12:00 pm on November 30, 2009. The request must identify the documents with enough specificity for Regional Board staff to locate them.

V. PARTICIPANTS TO THIS HEARING

Participants in this proceeding are identified as either "Parties" or "Interested Persons." Designation as a Party is not necessary to participate in this proceeding. Both Interested Persons and Parties will have the opportunity to present written and/or oral comments about the proposed modifications to the LA MS4 Permit. Both Interested Persons and Parties may be asked to respond to clarifying questions from the Regional Board, staff or others, at the discretion of the Regional Board.

A. Interested Persons

Interested persons include any person or organization that is interested in the outcome of the hearing, but who has not been designated as a party. Interested persons may present written and/or oral comments, as provided in Section VI., A., below, but they may not present evidence. Interested persons are not subject to cross-examination and may not cross-examine witnesses.

B. Parties

Parties are those persons or organizations anticipated to have the greatest interest in the outcome of the hearing. They are generally expected to take a leadership role in presenting any evidence or argument about the nature of the matter under consideration. Parties to the hearing may request to present evidence or to cross-examine other parties' witnesses (if any are called). Parties are subject to cross-examination about any evidence they present.

At the time of this notice, the only designated party to this proceeding is the Los Angeles County Flood Control District, which is the Principal Permittee of the LA MS4 Permit. Any LA MS4 Co-Permittee may also request and will be granted party status. Requests must be made by submitting a written or electronic request to the Regional Board (as provided in Section X. below) no later than 12:00 pm on October 19, 2009. Requests must be made by an authorized official of the Co-Permittee's jurisdiction, such as the Mayor, City Manager, Director of Public Works, or other appropriate official. The request shall include the name, phone number, and email address of the person who is designated to receive notices about this proceeding on behalf of the jurisdiction.

Any other persons or organizations who wish to participate in the hearing as a party shall request party status by submitting a written or electronic request to the Regional Board (as provided in Section X. below) no later than 12:00 pm on October 19, 2009. Any such requests on behalf of an organization must be made by an authorized representative. All requests for designation as a party shall include the name, phone number, and email address of the person (and if an organization, the person who is designated to receive notices on behalf of the organization). The request shall include a statement explaining the reasons for their request (e.g., how the issues to be addressed in the hearing and the potential actions by the Regional Board affect the person), and a statement explaining why the parties designated above do not adequately represent the person's interest.

Determinations will be based on whether their participation as a party will further the development of the issues before the Regional Board.

Those submitting requests for party status will be notified before the hearing whether the request is granted or denied. All parties will be notified if other parties are designated.

C. Regional Board Staff

Regional Board staff is not a party to this proceeding. This is a proceeding to modify a permit, which does not involve investigative, prosecutorial, or advocacy functions. Staff's proposals, recommendations, and their participation in this proceeding exist for the purpose of advising and assisting the Regional Board. Likewise, attorneys for the Regional Board will advise and assist the Regional Board, which includes the board members and its entire staff. Given the nature of this proceeding and the limited facts in dispute, assigning a separate staff to "advocate" on behalf of a particular position would not further the development of the issues before the Regional Board.

VI. PUBLIC COMMENTS AND SUBMITTAL OF EVIDENCE

A. Public Comments

Comments include policy statements and/or arguments about the appropriateness, wisdom, or utility of the proposal before the Regional Board, including the manner of incorporating the Trash TMDL into the LA MS4 Permit. Public comments will be accepted in writing before the hearing, within the time specified in Paragraph C., below. Written comments submitted through email are requested to be transmitted in Microsoft Word format. Interested persons will also have the opportunity to address the Regional Board orally at the hearing (see Section VIII., below).

Public comments are not evidence.

B. Requests to Submit Evidence

"Evidence" includes witness testimony, documents, and tangible objects that tend to prove or disprove the existence of an alleged fact. "Relevant evidence" is evidence that relates to any fact in dispute in the proceeding. The primary evidence in this proceeding consists of the Trash TMDL, which is a duly adopted regulation of the Regional Board. As noted in Section II., above, the existence of the Trash TMDL is not a fact in dispute in this proceeding, and therefore evidence offered to dispute the facts on which the TMDL was based is not relevant evidence. Due to the nature of the Trash TMDL, it is not anticipated that significant amounts of additional evidence would be relevant to the Regional Board's decision about how to incorporate the Trash TMDL into the LA MS4 Permit.

Any requests to submit evidence that is not identified in the Administrative Record Index must be submitted within the time specified in Paragraph C., below. Requests to submit evidence must include a detailed description of the evidence and an explanation about why the evidence is relevant

evidence in this proceeding. Requests to submit documentary evidence must also be accompanied by a complete copy of the pertinent portions of the documentary evidence. Any party wishing to present testimonial evidence (i.e., witness testimony), shall submit their entire proposed testimony in writing pursuant to subdivision (c) of section 648.4 of title 23 of the California Code of Regulations, along with the information described in subdivision (b) of that section.

The Parties will be advised prior to the hearing if any additional evidence has been received into the administrative record.

C. Time to Submit Written Comments and Requests to Submit Evidence

To be evaluated and responded to by Regional Board staff, included in the Regional Board's agenda packet, and fully considered by the Regional Board members in advance of the hearing, any written comments or requests to submit evidence must be submitted to the Regional Board, as provided in Section X. below, and received at the Regional Board office no later than 12:00 pm on November 9, 2009.

Pursuant to section 648.4, title 23 of the California Code of Regulations, untimely written comments will not be accepted into the Administrative Record without a showing of good cause for the delay, and in no event if any party would be unduly prejudiced by the late submittal or if staff or the Regional Board would not have an adequate opportunity to review, consider, and respond to the comments.

VII. EX PARTE COMMUNICATIONS PROHIBITED

Parties and interested persons are forbidden from engaging in *ex parte* communications regarding this matter with members of the Regional Board. An *ex parte* communication is a communication not authorized in the California Government Code, to a Regional Board member from any person, about a pending matter, that occurs in the absence of other parties and without notice and opportunity for the parties to respond. The California Government Code generally prohibits the board members from engaging in *ex parte* communications during permitting, enforcement, or other "quasi-adjudicatory" matters. As a permitting proceeding, Regional Board members may not discuss the subject of this hearing with any person, except during the public hearing itself, except in the limited circumstances and manner described in this notice.

VIII. HEARING PROCEDURES

Adjudicative proceedings before the Regional Board generally will be conducted in the following order:

Administration of oath to persons who intend to testify Regional Board staff presentation Interested persons' comments Designated parties' presentation

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Questions from the Regional Board to parties Questions from the Regional Board to Staff Deliberations (in open or closed session) Regional Board decision

While this is a formal administrative proceeding, the Regional Board does not generally require the cross examination of witnesses, or other procedures not specified in this notice, that might typically be expected of parties in a courtroom.

Each party will be advised after the receipt of public comments, but prior to the date of the hearing, of the amount of time the party will be allocated for its presentations. That decision will be based upon the complexity and the number of issues under consideration, the extent to which the parties have coordinated, the number of parties and interested persons anticipated, and the time available for the hearing. The parties should contact the Regional Board staff, as provided in section X. below, not later than 12:00 pm on November 9, 2009 to state how much time they believe is necessary for their presentations. It is the Regional Board's intent that reasonable requests be accommodated.

Interested persons are invited to attend the hearing and present oral comments. Oral comments may be limited to 3 to 5 minutes each for their comments, in the discretion of the Chair, depending on the number of persons wishing to be heard.

Parties and interested persons with similar concerns or opinions are encouraged to choose one representative to speak, and are encouraged to coordinate their presentations with each other. Repetitive comments will not be allowed.

The Regional Board will include in the Administrative Record written transcriptions of oral testimony or comments that are made at the hearing.

IX. OBJECTIONS TO MANNER OF HEARING

Parties or interested persons with procedural requests different from or outside of the scope of this notice should contact the Regional Board staff member identified in section X. below no later than 12:00 pm on November 9, 2009. The Regional Board will endeavor to accommodate reasonable requests.

Objections to (a) any procedure to be used or not used during the hearing, (b) any document or evidence in the administrative record, or (c) any other matter set forth in this notice, must be submitted in writing and received by the Regional Board staff member identified in section X. below no later than 12:00 pm on November 9, 2009. Any objections related to the amount of time allocated for parties' presentations must be submitted within two business days of notice thereof.

Untimely objections will be deemed waived. Procedural objections about the matters contained in this notice will be addressed prior to and will not be entertained at the hearing.

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Further, except as otherwise stipulated, any procedure not specified in this hearing notice will be deemed waived pursuant to section 648(d) of Title 23 of the California Code of Regulations, unless a timely objection is filed.

X. REGIONAL BOARD STAFF CONTACTS

Any communications with the Regional Board prior to the hearing should be directed to:

Mr. Ivar Ridgeway 320 W. 4th Street, Suite 200 Los Angeles, CA 90013 (213) 620-2150 iridgeway@waterboards.ca.gov

Please submit Public Comments to: la_trash@waterboards.ca.gov.

Date: October 8, 2009

CALIFORNIA REGIONAL WATER QUALITY CONTROL BOARD LOS ANGELES REGION

320 W. 4th Street, Suite 200 Los Angeles, California 90013 (213) 576-6600 Order No. 01-182 (as amended) NPDES No. CAS004001

PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES MUNICIPAL SEPARATE STORM SEWER SYSTEM PERMIT

AMENDMENT TO ORDER ON PARTY STATUS

- 1) Party Status of Commerce: Paragraph 1) of the Order on Party Status, issued on October 22, 2009, is hereby amended to include the City of Commerce, which is a co-permittee subject to the Los Angeles River Trash TMDL. Commerce filed a timely request for party status, but was inadvertently omitted from designation under the Order. A revised Party Contact List is attached hereto for each party's convenience.
- 2) Changes of Parties' Contact Person(s): The City of Monrovia has requested that an additional of its staff be included on the Party Contact List. The Party Contact List has been revised accordingly as a courtesy. Any future changes to any party's contact persons under this proceeding shall be in the form of a "Notice of Change of Party Contact", which shall be filed with the Regional Board in accordance with Regional Board Staff Contact Ivar Ridgeway, pursuant to Paragraph X. of the Notice of Public Hearing, with a copy to the other parties on the Party Contact List. Following any such filing, all Parties are directed to revise their contact information accordingly.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

October 26, 2009

Madelyn Glickfeld,

Vice Chair

Attachment A: Party Contact List

Party	Contact Name	Contact Information
Los Angeles County Flood Control District	Mr. Hector Bordas, Principal Civil Engineer	County of Los Angeles Department of Public Works, Watershed Management Division P.O. Box 1460 Alhambra, CA 91802-1460 hbordas@dpw.lacounty.gov
County of Los Angeles	Mr. Hector Bordas, Principal Civil Engineer	County of Los Angeles Department of Public Works, Watershed Management Division P.O. Box 1460 Alhambra, CA 91802-1460 hbordas@dpw.lacounty.gov
Arcadia	Carmen Trujillo	Public Works Services Department PO Box 60021 Arcadia, CA 91066-6021 (626) 256-6551 ctrujillo@ci.arcadia.ca.us
Bell	Kevin J. Powers, Environmental Complaince Coordinator	2601 Airport Drive, Suite 110 Torrance, CA 90505 (310) 257-2000 kevinpowers@caaprofessionals.com
Bell	Carlos Alvarado, City Engineer	6330 Pine Avenue Bell, CA 90201 (323) 588-6211 rsccengr@aol.com
Bell	Edward W. Lee, City Attorney	Best Best & Krieger, LLP 300 South Grand, 25th Floor Los Angeles, CA 90071 (213) 617-8100 edward.lee@bbklaw.com
Carson	Ms. Patricia Elkins, Storm Water Quality Programs Manager	701 East Carson St. Carson, CA 90745 (310) 847-3529 pelkins@carson.ca.us
Commerce	Mr. Jorge Rifa	2535 Commerce Way Commerce, CA 90040 (323) 722-4805 jorger@ci.commerce.ca.us
Hidden Hills	Cherie L. Paglia, City Manager	6165 Spring Valley Road, Hidden Hills, CA 91302 citymanager@hiddenhillscity.org

Attachment A: Party Contact List (con't)

Hidden Hills	Kevin J. Powers, Environmental Complaince Coordinator	2601 Airport Drive, Suite 110 Torrance, CA 90505 (310) 257-2000 kevinpowers@caaprofessionals.com
Hidden Hills	Candice K. Lee, Asst. City Attorney	Richards Watson & Gershon 355 S. Grand Ave., 40th Floor Los Angeles, CA 90071-3101 (213) 626-8484 clee@rwglaw.com
Irwindale	Kwok Tam, Director of Public Works	5050 North Irwindale Ave. Irwindale, CA 91706 (626) 430-2212 ktam@ci.irwindale.ca.us
Los Angeles	Donna Chen, Assistant Division Manager	1149 South Broadway, 10th Floor Los Angeles, CA 90015 (213) 485-3928 donna.chen@lacity.org
Monrovia	Scott Ochoa, City Manager	415 South Ivy Ave. Monrovia, CA 91016 (626) 932-5550 sochoa@ci.monrovia.ca.us
Monrovia	Craig A. Steele, City Attorney	Richards Watson & Gershon 355 S. Grand Ave., 40th Floor Los Angeles, CA 90071-3101 (213) 626-8484 csteele@rwglaw.com
Monrovia	Heather M. Maloney, Storm Water Coordinator	600 S. Mountain Ave. Monrovia, CA 91016 (626) 932-5577 hmaloney@ci.monrovia.ca.us
Monterey Park	Elias Saykali, Director of Public Works	320 West Newmark Avenue Monterey Park, California 91754-2896 (626) 307-1383 esaykali@montereypark.ca.gov
Pasadena	Martin Pastucha, Director of Public Works	100 North Garfield Ave. PO Box 7115 Pasadena, CA 91109-7215 (626) 744-4233 mpastucha@cityofpasadena.net
San Fernando	Ron Ruiz, Public Works Director	117 MacNeil St. San Fernando, CA 91340 (818) 898-1237 rruiz@sfeity.org

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San Fernando	Candice K. Lee, Asst. City Attorney	Richards Watson & Gershon 355 S. Grand Ave., 40th Floor Los Angeles, CA 90071-3101 (213) 626-8484 clee@rwglaw.com
San Marino	Matt Ballantyne, City Manager	2200 Huntington Drive San Marino, CA 91108 (626) 300-0700 mballantyne@cityofsanmarino.org
San Marino	Norm Dupont	Richards Watson & Gershon 355 S. Grand Ave., 40th Floor Los Angeles, CA 90071-3101 (213) 626-8484 ndupont@rwglaw.com
Signal Hill	Kenneth C. Farfsing, City Manager	2175 Cherry Avenue Signal Hill, CA 90755 (562) 989-7307 kfarfsing@cityofsignalhill.org
South El Monte	Anthony R. Ybarra, City Manager	1415 Santa Anita Ave. South El Monte, CA 91733 (626) 579-6540 tybarra@soelmonte.org
South El Monte	Quinn Barrow	Richards Watson & Gershon 355 S. Grand Ave., 40th Floor Los Angeles, CA 90071-3101 (213) 626-8484 qbarrow@rwglaw.com
South Gate	Robert Dickey, Public Works Director	8650 California Ave. South Gate, CA 90280-3075 (323) 563-9512 rdickey@sogate.org
Vernon	Samuel K. Wilson, Director of Community Services & Water	4305 Santa Fe Ave. Vernon, CA 90058 (323) 583-8811 kwilson@ci.vernon.ca.us
Vernon	Laurence S. Wiener, City Attorney	Richards Watson & Gershon 355 S. Grand Ave., 40th Floor Los Angeles, CA 90071-3101 (213) 626-8484 lwiener@rwglaw.com
Heal the Bay	Mark Gold, President	1444 9th Street Santa Monica, CA 90401 (310) 451-1500 mgold@healthebay.org

Michael Levy

To:

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CC:

Ridgeway, Ivar

Date:

10/21/2009 10:27 AM

Subject:

LA MS4 Permit Reopener: Trash TMDL

Mitchell G. Lansdell, City Manager City of Gardena

Dear Mr. Lansdell,

The Los Angeles Regional Water Quality Control Board is in receipt of your correspondence dated October 13, 2009, requesting party status in the above-referenced proceeding on behalf of the City of Gardena. The California Code Regulations (23 CCR section 648.1) limits the right to participate as a party in a proceeding to the "persons to whom the agency action is directed". When staff prepared the Notice of Public Hearing for this matter, they failed to distinguish between permittees who are and who are not responsible jurisdictions under the TMDL. Ordinarily, a modification to a permit affects all permittees, but that is not the case in this proceeding. Specifically, your city is not a responsible jurisdiction under the Los Angeles River Trash TMDL, and therefore is not a person to whom this action is directed. As a result, Vice Chair Glickfeld directed me to inquire your reasons for requesting party status. Pursuant to the Notice of Public Hearing, please provide a statement explaining the reasons for Gardena's request, including how the issues to be addressed in the hearing affect your jurisdiction and an explanation as to why the jurisdictions who are subject to the Trash TMDL who will be parties to the proceeding would not adequately represent Gardena's interests.

Alternatively, should Gardena no longer desire to be a party to this proceeding, please so advise. Should your city not be a designated party to this proceeding, it would, of course, have the right to participate as an interested person, in accordance with the procedures set forth in the Notice of Public Hearing.

I would appreciate your response not later than 12:00 noon on Thursday October 22, 2009.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

Michael J. Levy, Senior Staff Counsel

State Water Resources Control Board 1001 I Street Sacramento, CA 95814 (916) 341-5193 (916) 341-5199 mlevy@waterboards.ca.gov

Michael Levy

To:

megan@bellflower.org

CC:

Ridgeway, Ivar

Date:

10/21/2009 10:28 AM

Subject:

LA MS4 Permit Reopener: Trash TMDL

Michael J. Egan, City Manager City of Bellflower

Dear Mr. Egan,

The Los Angeles Regional Water Quality Control Board is in receipt of your correspondence dated October 19, 2009, requesting party status in the above-referenced proceeding on behalf of the City of Bellflower. The California Code Regulations (23 CCR section 648.1) limits the right to participate as a party in a proceeding to the "persons to whom the agency action is directed". When staff prepared the Notice of Public Hearing for this matter, they failed to distinguish between permittees who are and who are not responsible jurisdictions under the TMDL. Ordinarily, a modification to a permit affects all permittees, but that is not the case in this proceeding. Specifically, your city is not a responsible jurisdiction under the Los Angeles River Trash TMDL, and therefore is not a person to whom this action is directed. As a result, Vice Chair Glickfeld directed me to inquire your reasons for requesting party status. Pursuant to the Notice of Public Hearing, please provide a statement explaining the reasons for Bellflower's request, including how the issues to be addressed in the hearing affect your jurisdiction and an explanation as to why the jurisdictions who are subject to the Trash TMDL who will be parties to the proceeding would not adequately represent Bellflower's interests.

Alternatively, should Bellflower no longer desire to be a party to this proceeding, please so advise. Should your city not be a designated party to this proceeding, it would, of course, have the right to participate as an interested person, in accordance with the procedures set forth in the Notice of Public Hearing.

I would appreciate your response not later than 12:00 noon on Thursday October 22, 2009.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

Michael J. Levy, Senior Staff Counsel

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Date:

10/21/2009 10:28 AM

Subject:

LA MS4 Permit Reopener: Trash TMDL

Daniel W. Keesey, Director of Public Works City of La Verne

Dear Mr. Keesey,

The Los Angeles Regional Water Quality Control Board is in receipt of your correspondence dated October 19, 2009, requesting party status in the above-referenced proceeding on behalf of the City of La Verne. The California Code Regulations (23 CCR section 648.1) limits the right to participate as a party in a proceeding to the "persons to whom the agency action is directed". When staff prepared the Notice of Public Hearing for this matter, they failed to distinguish between permittees who are and who are not responsible jurisdictions under the TMDL. Ordinarily, a modification to a permit affects all permittees, but that is not the case in this proceeding. Specifically, your city is not a responsible jurisdiction under the Los Angeles River Trash TMDL, and therefore is not a person to whom this action is directed. As a result, Vice Chair Glickfeld directed me to inquire your reasons for requesting party status. Pursuant to the Notice of Public Hearing, please provide a statement explaining the reasons for La Verne's request, including how the issues to be addressed in the hearing affect your jurisdiction and an explanation as to why the jurisdictions who are subject to the Trash TMDL who will be parties to the proceeding would not adequately represent Bellflower's interests.

Alternatively, should La Verne no longer desire to be a party to this proceeding, please so advise. Should your city not be a designated party to this proceeding, it would, of course, have the right to participate as an interested person, in accordance with the procedures set forth in the Notice of Public Hearing.

I would appreciate your response not later than 12:00 noon on Thursday October 22, 2009.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

Michael J. Levy, Senior Staff Counsel

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Michael Levy

To:

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CC:

Ridgeway, Ivar

Date:

10/21/2009 10:28 AM

Subject:

LA MS4 Permit Reopener: Trash TMDL

Sharon Perlstein, P.E. City Engineer City of West Hollywood

Dear Ms. Perlstein,

The Los Angeles Regional Water Quality Control Board is in receipt of your correspondence dated October 16, 2009, requesting party status in the above-referenced proceeding on behalf of the City of West Hollywood. The California Code Regulations (23 CCR section 648.1) limits the right to participate as a party in a proceeding to the "persons to whom the agency action is directed". When staff prepared the Notice of Public Hearing for this matter, they failed to distinguish between permittees who are and who are not responsible jurisdictions under the TMDL. Ordinarily, a modification to a permit affects all permittees, but that is not the case in this proceeding. Specifically, your city is not a responsible jurisdiction under the Los Angeles River Trash TMDL, and therefore is not a person to whom this action is directed. As a result, Vice Chair Glickfeld directed me to inquire your reasons for requesting party status. Pursuant to the Notice of Public Hearing, please provide a statement explaining the reasons for West Hollywood's request, including how the issues to be addressed in the hearing affect your jurisdiction and an explanation as to why the jurisdictions who are subject to the Trash TMDL who will be parties to the proceeding would not adequately represent West Hollywood's interests.

Alternatively, should West Hollywood no longer desire to be a party to this proceeding, please so advise. Should your city not be a designated party to this proceeding, it would, of course, have the right to participate as an interested person, in accordance with the procedures set forth in the Notice of Public Hearing.

I would appreciate your response not later than 12:00 noon on Thursday October 22, 2009.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

Michael J. Levy, Senior Staff Counsel

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Michael Levy

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Date:

10/26/2009 9:54 AM

Subject:

LA MS4 Permit: Trash TMDL Reopener: Request for Party Status

Attachments: Order on Party Status.pdf; LA MS4 Trash Reopener Hearing Notice.pdf

Dear Mr. Pelser,

I am in receipt of your request received by email on October 23, 2009, at 9:19 AM, on behalf of the City of Whittier for designation as a party in the above referenced proceeding. Initially I would note that the deadline to request party status was 12:00 noon on October 19, 2009, and as such your request is untimely. Attached for your information, please find a copy of the Order on Party Status, issued last week by Vice Chair Glickfeld. I would direct your attention in particular to paragraph 3 of the order, and would also note that the City of Whittier is likewise not subject to the LA River Trash TMDL, and therefore is not per se entitled to party status in any event.

Please be advised that your request for party status will not be included in the administrative record of this proceeding. The City of Whittier, however, is nevertheless entitled to participate in the proceeding as an "interested person", and therefore may present public comments in accordance with paragraphs V.A., and VI.A., of the Notice of Public Hearing. I have attached a copy of the Notice of Public Hearing for your convenience.

Should you have any questions about this matter, please advise.

Sincerely,

Michael J. Levy, Senior Staff Counsel

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>>> <<u>irodriguez@whittierch.org</u>> 10/23/2009 9:18 AM >>> <<la>river trash 10 23 09.pdf>> Please see the attached letter regarding the proposed amendment to incorporate the LA River Trash TMDL in the County of LA Muni NPDES Permit.

A hard copy is in the mail.

Jennifer Rodriguez City of Whittier Department of Public Works 13230 Penn Street Whittier, Ca 90602 562-464-3516