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Mr. Warren D. Williams General Manager – Chief Engineer Riverside County Flood Control & Water Conservation District 1995 Market Street Riverside, CA 92501 In reply refer to: NWU:749045:bneill

Dear Mr. Williams, et al:

Riverside County Municipal Storm Water Permit Reissuance Tentative Order No. R9-2010-0016

The California Regional Water Quality Control Board, San Diego Region, (San Diego Water Board) is pleased to transmit to you Tentative Order No. R9-2010-0016, *Waste Discharge Requirements for Discharges from the Municipal Separate Storm Sewer Systems (MS4s) Draining the County of Riverside, the Incorporated Cities of Riverside County, and the Riverside County Flood Control and Water Conservation District within the San Diego Region* (Tentative Order).

The Tentative Order reissues the National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) MS4 Permit No. CAS0108740, to the County of Riverside, the Riverside County Flood Control and Water Conservation District, and the Cities of Murrieta, Wildomar, and Temecula (Copermittees). Tentative Order No. R9-2010-0016 will, when adopted, supersede and replace the current Riverside County MS4 Permit, Order No. R9-2004-001 issued in July 2004.

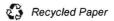
The San Diego Water Board hereby notifies the public that Tentative Order No. R9-2010-0016, the Riverside County MS4 Permit, is available for review and public comment. The Tentative Order, Attachments, Monitoring and Reporting Program and Fact Sheet are available on the San Diego Water Board's website at:

http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/sandiego/water_issues/programs/stormwater/rsd_stormwater.shtml

Proposed Jurisdiction Transfers

Under the terms of the Tentative Order the San Diego Water Board will assume jurisdiction for portions of the Cities of Murrieta and Wildomar currently regulated by the California Regional Water Quality Control board, Santa Ana Region's (Santa Ana Water Board) MS4 Permit, Order No. R8-2010-0033. The Santa Ana Water Board will likewise assume jurisdiction under their MS4 Permit portions of the City of Menifee that are currently regulated under the San Diego Water Board's MS4 Permit. These arrangements are being implemented in response to the Cities' requests to consolidate these areas under the jurisdiction of one Regional Water Board and through a pending agreement with Santa Ana Water Board.

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Public Hearing

The San Diego Water Board will conduct a public hearing to receive oral comments and consider adoption of the Tentative Order. The hearing is scheduled for October 13, 2010, at the Rancho California Water District Board Room, 42135 Winchester Road, Temecula, California. Further notice of the hearing will be provided to the Copermittees and interested persons at least 30 days in advance. All interested persons will be permitted to speak at the hearing and will be expected to orally summarize their written comments.

Comment Period

Copermittee comments and comments from the public and other interested persons on the Tentative Order are appreciated. The public review and comment period is now open for a 45-day comment period. Written comments on the Tentative Order should be submitted as soon as possible and must be received no later than by 5:00 PM on Tuesday, September 7, 2010. Written comments received after the close of the 45-day comment period will not be accepted and will not be incorporated into the administrative record if doing so would jeopardize any party. Written comments received by the close of the 45-day comment period will be provided to the San Diego Water Board for their review at the October 13, 2010 hearing.

If you wish to receive future notices and information on this specific permit, please subscribe to the electronic emailing list titled "Riverside County MS4 Permit" located on this web page: http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/sandiego/misc/mailing_lists.html.

If you would like a paper copy of the permit or have any questions or need further clarification, please contact Mr. Ben Neill at (858) 467-2983 or via email at <u>bneill@waterboards.ca.gov</u> or Ms. Chiara Clemente at (858) 467-2359 or via email at <u>cclemente@waterboards.ca.gov</u> for information regarding Tentative Order No. R9-2010-0016.

Respectfully,

John

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Enclosures: 1. Tentative Order No. R9-2010-0016, with attachments 2. Fact Sheet for Tentative Order No. R9-2010-0016

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