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APPROVAL OF NOTIFICATION OF INTENT TO DEVELOP AN ENHANCED WATERSHED MANAGEMENT PROGRAM, PURSUANT TO THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY MUNICIPAL SEPARATE STORM SEWER SYSTEM (MS4) PERMIT (NPDES PERMIT NO. CAS004001; ORDER NO. R4-2012-0175)

Dear Permittees participating in the Upper Los Angeles River Watershed EWMP Group:

In a letter dated October 23, 2013, the California Regional Water Quality Control Board, Los Angeles Region (Regional Water Board or Board) provided its review of the Upper Los Angeles River Watershed Groups' notification of intent (NOI) to develop an enhanced watershed management program (EWMP). As part of their NOI, permittees pursuing an EWMP are required to identify, and commit to fully implement by June 28, 2015, a structural best management practice (BMP) or suite of BMPs at a scale that provides meaningful water quality improvement within each watershed covered by the EWMP. The structural BMP(s) must be in addition to BMPs that are required to meet interim or final trash TMDL effluent limitations or other final effluent limitations applicable in the watershed with deadlines prior to April 28, 2016. The suite of BMPs identified in the NOI are subject to Executive Officer approval. The NOI identified the Brandon Street and Green Street Improvements project, and the Humboldt Neighborhood Greenway Street project as the suite of BMPs to meet the above mentioned requirement.

Board staff reviewed the NOI for compliance with all notification requirements of Part VI.C of Order No. R4-2012-0175 and has determined that all the notification requirements, of Part VI.C of Order No. R4-2012-0175, have been met.

Pursuant to section VI.C.4.b.iii.(5) of the Order, the proposed suite of BMPs are subject to approval by the Regional Water Board Executive Officer. The Unincorporated County of Los Angeles plans to implement the Brandon Street and Green Street Improvements project treating an estimated 2.28 acre drainage area. Implementation of the Brandon Street and Green Street Improvements BMPs seek to reduce metals and bacteria among other pollutants to Eaton Wash, which is a tributary to the Rio Hondo and Los Angeles River. The City of Los Angeles plans to implement the Humboldt Neighborhood Greenway Street project treating an estimated 110 acre drainage area in two Phases. Implementation of the Humboldt Neighborhood Greenway Street BMPs seek to reduce metals and bacteria among other pollutants to the Los Angeles River.

The estimated completion date for the Brandon Street and Green Street Improvements project is Fall 2014; and the estimated completion date for Phase I of the Humboldt Neighborhood Greenway Street project is Spring/Summer 2014. The Unincorporated County of Los Angeles' proposed Brandon Street

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and Green Street Improvements project; and the City of Los Angeles' proposed Humboldt Neighborhood Greenway Street project are approved by the Regional Water Board Executive Officer.

The work plan for development of the Upper Los Angeles River Watershed EWMP Group is due by June 28, 2014. Please submit the work plan to losangeles@waterboards.ca.gov with the subject line "LA County MS4 Permit – Enhanced Watershed Management Program Work Plan" with copies to Ivar.Ridgeway@waterboards.ca.gov and Tracy.Woods@waterboards.ca.gov.

If you have any questions, please contact Mr. Ivar Ridgeway, Storm Water Permitting, at (213) 620-2150 or Ms. Tracy Woods at (213) 620-2095.

Sincerely,



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