
Los Angeles Regional Water Quality Control Board

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**REVIEW OF NOTICE OF INTENT TO DEVELOP A 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 Ms. Jensen:

Part VI, section C.4(c) of the above-mentioned Order allows permittees the option to submit to the Regional Board Executive Officer (EO) for approval a Notification of Intent (NOI) to prepare a Watershed Management Program (WMP) or Enhanced Watershed Management Program (EWMP). Regional Board staff received the City of Walnut's (the City) NOI to develop an individual WMP for its jurisdictional area. Preparing an Individual WMP allows the City to implement the requirements of the Order on a jurisdictional basis through customized strategies, control measures, and best management practices (BMPs) that meet the requirements of the Order.

Regional Board staff reviewed the City's NOI to prepare a WMP, which it submitted to the Regional Board on June 27, 2013. Staff review indicates that the NOI the City submitted meets the notification requirements of Part VI, section C.4(c)ii of Order No. R4-2012-0175 that pertain to the extended 18-month schedule to submit a draft WMP.

The City is hereby granted the 18-month schedule pursuant to Part VI, section C.4(c)ii which requires the City to demonstrate that there is a Low Impact Development (LID) ordinance in-place that meets the requirements of the Order's Planning and Land Development Program or commence development of a LID ordinance meeting the requirements of the Planning and Land Development Program. Specifically, the Order requires that the City demonstrate that it commenced development of the ordinance within 60 days of the effective date of the Order (February 26, 2013) and further requires that the City have a complete draft ordinance within 6 months of the effective date of the Order (June 28, 2013).

Likewise, the City was required to demonstrate that there is a green streets policy in-place or commence the development of a policy that stipulates the use of green street strategies for transportation corridors within 60 days of the effective date of the Order and have a draft policy within 6 months of the effective date of the Order. The City's NOI included copies of these

documents, documenting that the City has complied with the requirement to have a LID ordinance and green streets policy in-place or has developed a complete draft LID ordinance and a complete draft green streets policy.

Accordingly, pending Regional Board EO approval of the City's WMP, the City shall continuously perform the following:

1. Implement all the watershed control measures in its corresponding storm water management program, including actions within each of the six categories of minimum control measures consistent with Part VI.C.4.d.i of the Order and 40 C.F.R. section 122.26(d)(2)(iv).
2. Implement watershed control measures to eliminate non-storm water discharges through the MS4 that are a source of pollutants to receiving waters consistent with Part VI.C.4.d.ii of the Order and the Clean Water Act section 402(p)(3)(B)(ii).
3. Implement watershed control measures, including those identified in existing TMDL implementation plans, to ensure MS4 discharges achieve compliance with interim and final trash WQBELs and all other final WQBELs and receiving water limitations pursuant to Part VI.E and set forth in Attachments L through Q by the applicable compliance deadlines occurring prior to approval of the WMP per Part VI.C.4.d.iii of the Order.
4. Target implementation of city-wide control measures listed above to address known contributions of pollutants from MS4 discharges to receiving waters.
5. Meet all interim and final deadlines for development of a WMP, including City Council adoption of the aforementioned LID ordinance and green streets policy prior to June 28, 2014.

If you have any questions, please contact Carlos D. Santos at Carlos.Santos@waterboards.ca.gov at (213) 620-2093, or you may contact Ivar Ridgeway, Chief of the Storm Water Permitting Unit at Ivar.Ridgeway@waterboards.ca.gov.

Sincerely,



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Executive Officer

cc: Jennifer Fordyce, Office of Chief Counsel, State Water Board