

NPDES Technical Advisory Committee

Date: Thursday, January 21, 2021

Time: 2:00 PM – 3:00 PM
Location: Teleconference Only

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5th District	Rich Schlesinger, City of Mission Viejo (2021)	Joe Ames, City of Mission Viejo				

Meeting Agenda

- I. Introductions and Webinar Conduct [2:00-2:05] Amanda Carr and Amanda Aprahamian, County of Orange
- II. Approval of October 15 TAC Meeting Minutes [2:05-2:10] Amanda Carr, County of Orange Recommended Action: Approve October 15 TAC meeting minutes.
- III. Selection of TAC Chair [2:10-2:15] Amanda Carr, County of Orange

 Recommended Action: Affirm County of Orange representative as Chair or select new Chair to serve the 2021 term.
- IV. Preview of FY 2021-22 NPDES Stormwater Program Shared Costs Budget [2:15-2:50] James Fortuna and Cindy Rivers, County of Orange

 Recommended Action: Review and provide feedback on the draft budget for subsequent approval consideration at the May 20 meeting.

V. Written Reports

- a) Commission on State Mandates Hearing Dates
- b) Basin Plan Amendment to Incorporate Biological Objectives Update
- c) Southern California Monitoring Coalition's (SMC) 5 Year Workplan for the Regional Stream Monitoring Program
- d) Preliminary Staff Draft of the Statewide Construction Stormwater General Permit and Virtual Public Workshops
- e) Customer Satisfaction Survey Results and Program Governance Update
- f) Tentative Los Angeles MS4 Regional Permit
- g) Schedule for Proposition 1, Round 2 Integrated Regional Water Management Implementation Program Grant Funding
- VI. TAC Comments
- VII. Public Comments
- VIII. Adjournment

Next TAC meeting: May 20, 2021 via Teleconference

Discussion Items on the Agenda

ITEM #3 Selection of Technical Advisory Committee Chair

Section 2.3.2 (Committee Chair) of the Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) By-Laws designates the County of Orange representative as the Committee Chair unless the Committee, by majority vote, chooses to elect a new Chair at its first annual meeting.

<u>TAC Recommended Action:</u> Affirm County of Orange representative as Chair or select new Chair to serve the 2021 term.

ITEM # 4 Preview of Fiscal Year (FY) 2021-22 National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System Stormwater Program Shared Cost Budget

The proposed FY 2021-22 National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) Stormwater Program Shared Cost Budget is comprised of the following:

NPDES Shared Cost Budget Elements	2021-22	2020-21	2019-20				
Countywide Elements	\$5,244,790	\$4,894,393	\$5,057,120				
Santa Ana Region							
Monitoring and Reporting Program and Santa Ana River Regional Monitoring Task Force	\$543,000	\$517,000	\$530,000				
Watershed Improvement Projects Efforts	\$250,000	\$159,800	\$300,000				
San Diego Region							
Monitoring & Assessment Program (MAP)	\$504,000	\$547,800	\$485,000				
Water Quality Improvement Plan (WQIP)	\$431,500	\$220,500	\$213,860				
TOTAL	\$6,973,290	\$6,339,493	\$6,585,980				

Table 1 summarizes the estimated Permittee shares, based on the program elements being split into the following categories:

- Countywide program elements, funded by all Permittees
- Santa Ana Region Monitoring and Reporting Program elements, funded only by North Orange County (OC) Permittees
- Consultant services for North OC watershed improvement project efforts, funded only by North OC Permittees within the specific watersheds:
 - San Gabriel River Coyote Creek
 - Anaheim Bay Huntington Harbor
 - Newport Bay
 - o Santa Ana River
- South OC Monitoring and Assessment Program activities, funded only by South OC Permittees

 Consultant services for Water Quality Improvement Plan (WQIP) implementation and adaptive management efforts, funded by South OC Permittees

Discussion on the proposed FY 2021-22 NPDES Stormwater Program Shared Cost Budget at the TAC meeting will include detail on the following:

- Ongoing economic challenges facing municipalities as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic
- Increased workload due to anticipated permit renewal in both regions and ongoing legal and regulatory challenges
- Ongoing costs associated with strategies to address highest priority water quality conditions (HPWQCs) and meet milestones detailed in the accepted WQIP in the following areas:
 - Unnatural water balance (HPWQC)
 - Channel erosion (HPWQC)
 - Pathogen health risk (HPWQC)
 - Flow ecology Phase II (special study)
- Continued revision of the Santa Ana Region Monitoring and Reporting Program
- Human waste source reduction strategy implementation

<u>TAC Recommended Action:</u> Review and provide feedback on the draft budget for subsequent approval consideration at the May 20 meeting.

TABLE 1. SUMMARY OF ESTIMATED PERMITTEE SHARES FOR FY 2021-22

EV 2020-21 Permittee Budget Share by Pegien (Tables 2.1 - 2.9)								Total Bo	Percent Change				
		F 1 2020-21 P	FY 2020-21 Permittee Budget Share by Region (Tables 3.1 - 3.8) Santa Ana Region San Diego Region			- D:	Total Permittee Budget Share by FY						
Permittee	Countywide	Monitoring	San Gabriel River - Coyote Creek WIPS	anta Ana Region Anaheim Bay - Huntington Harbor WIPS	Newport Bay WIPS	Santa Ana River WIPS	San Dieg Monitoring	WQIP	FY 21-22 Current	FY 20-21	FY 19-20	FY 20-21 to FY 21-22 Current	FY 19-20 to FY 21-22 Current
Aliso Viejo	\$60,842.15				\$95.63		\$28,581.50	\$24,470.07	\$113,989.35	\$100,429.48	\$100,297.08	14%	14%
Anaheim	\$436,046.14	\$58,371.12	\$9,950.63	\$7,414.31		\$11,586.41			\$523,368.61	\$481,092.19	\$509,277.14	9%	3%
Brea	\$75,031.82	\$10,316.67	\$4,738.00			\$1,035.90			\$91,122.39	\$83,555.70	\$88,349.75	9%	3%
Buena Park	\$96,971.31	\$12,937.48	\$7,771.09	\$211.79					\$117,891.67	\$107,934.02	\$116,796.05	9%	1%
Costa Mesa	\$139,470.52	\$18,661.79			\$3,541.05	\$3,628.87			\$165,302.23	\$152,533.55	\$160,907.05	8%	3%
Cypress	\$59,168.09	\$7,907.00	\$3,472.04	\$1,409.57					\$71,956.70	\$65,876.71	\$70,854.38	9%	2%
Dana Point	\$46,666.95						\$20,969.11	\$17,952.72	\$85,588.78	\$75,534.36	\$74,934.88	13%	14%
Fountain Valley	\$72,533.41	\$9,770.86		\$2,259.26		\$2,342.49			\$86,906.02	\$79,949.38	\$85,458.40	9%	2%
Fullerton	\$181,797.22	\$24,458.48	\$15,202.42						\$221,458.12	\$202,699.87	\$218,328.30	9%	1%
Garden Grove	\$190,958.30	\$25,247.69		\$15,225.72		\$10.94			\$231,442.65	\$212,013.12	\$227,525.14	9%	2%
Huntington Beach	\$241,632.83	\$32,289.84		\$12,735.47		\$4,324.37			\$290,982.51	\$267,189.75	\$284,625.19	9%	2%
Irvine	\$435,668.94	\$59,615.12			\$22,854.67	\$6.69			\$518,145.42	\$478,060.38	\$498,969.03	8%	4%
La Habra	\$72,930.73	\$9,700.84	\$5,969.98						\$88,601.55	\$81,125.44	\$86,022.58	9%	3%
La Palma	\$17,654.50	\$2,345.70	\$1,442.14						\$21,442.34	\$19,633.73	\$21,316.61	9%	1%
Laguna Beach	\$46,997.06						\$19,108.71	\$16,359.94	\$82,465.71	\$73,013.80	\$72,941.68	13%	13%
Laguna Hills	\$46,215.48	\$1,116.91			\$429.42		\$16,885.10	\$14,456.19	\$79,103.10	\$70,224.54	\$69,665.38	13%	14%
Laguna Niguel	\$99,269.27						\$43,660.35	\$37,379.84	\$180,309.46	\$159,238.66	\$155,755.67	13%	16%
Laguna Woods	\$23,417.31	\$2,040.25			\$784.65		\$3,757.25	\$3,216.78	\$33,216.24	\$30,032.12	\$32,335.47	11%	3%
Lake Forest	\$120,462.83	\$11,333.75			\$4,353.41	\$7.30	\$16,596.87	\$14,209.42	\$166,963.58	\$151,331.24	\$155,249.52	10%	8%
Los Alamitos	\$15,478.77	\$2,091.26	\$1,207.22	\$39.66					\$18,816.91	\$17,236.70	\$18,625.89	9%	1%
Mission Viejo	\$131,765.57						\$59,330.36	\$50,795.74	\$241,891.67	\$213,461.27	\$210,598.79	13%	15%
Newport Beach	\$148,740.85	\$20,531.79			\$4,758.81	\$121.41			\$174,152.86	\$161,519.27	\$169,878.96	8%	3%
Orange	\$192,402.15	\$26,058.39		\$348.71	\$716.51	\$8,884.23			\$228,409.99	\$210,767.63	\$223,434.82	8%	2%
Placentia	\$60,878.81	\$8,121.91	\$2,657.11			\$1,463.14			\$73,120.97	\$67,191.00	\$72,259.69	9%	1%
Rancho Santa Margarita	\$80,680.56						\$34,703.56	\$29,711.48	\$145,095.60	\$128,232.40	\$126,212.97	13%	15%
San Clemente	\$109,486.96						\$46,796.98	\$40,065.27	\$196,349.21	\$173,564.80	\$171,196.40	13%	15%
San Juan Capistrano	\$73,360.24						\$30,090.18	\$25,761.73	\$129,212.15	\$114,370.17	\$112,830.18	13%	15%
Santa Ana	\$342,022.54	\$44,843.14		\$3,114.74	\$10,444.27	\$5,001.67			\$405,426.36	\$373,645.66	\$396,030.39	9%	2%
Seal Beach	\$33,640.93	\$4,547.60	\$2,135.13	\$591.70					\$40,915.36	\$37,474.84	\$40,802.10	9%	0%
Stanton	\$39,564.09	\$5,181.83	\$0.00	\$3,053.32					\$47,799.24	\$43,812.19	\$46,914.47	9%	2%
Tustin	\$97,915.67	\$13,104.97			\$5,058.37				\$116,079.01	\$106,999.24	\$114,246.09	8%	2%
Villa Park	\$11,434.08	\$1,592.56				\$575.45			\$13,602.09	\$12,558.35	\$13,379.34	8%	2%
Westminster	\$102,947.94	\$13,642.56		\$8,278.36					\$124,868.86	\$114,370.33	\$123,569.24	9%	1%
Yorba Linda	\$119,080.87	\$16,438.04				\$5,944.18			\$141,463.09	\$130,613.92	\$137,858.07	8%	3%
County of Orange	\$697,176.09	\$46,432.43	\$1,704.24	\$1,567.39	\$3,213.20	\$11,316.94	\$133,120.02	\$113,970.81	\$1,008,501.12	\$908,257.91	\$919,934.90	11%	10%
OCFCD	\$524,479.02	\$54,300.02	\$6,250.00	\$6,250.00	\$6,250.00	\$6,250.01	\$50,400.01	\$43,150.01	\$697,329.07	\$633,949.30	\$658,597.96	10%	6%
TOTALS	\$5,244,790.00	\$543,000.00	\$62,500.00	\$62,500.00	\$62,500.00	\$62,500.00	\$504,000.00	\$431,500.00	\$6,973,290.00	\$6,339,493.04	\$6,585,979.57	10%	6%

OTHER UPDATES

ITEM # 5 Written Reports

a) Commission on State Mandates Hearing Dates

The latest information from the Commission on State Mandates (12/4/2020) regarding hearings on the Permittee's test claims is as follows (all dates are tentative¹):

North OC 2009 MS4 permit – March 26, 2021; South OC 2009 MS4 permit – March 26, 2021; and, South OC 2015 Regional MS4 permit – March 25, 2022.

b) Basin Plan Amendment to incorporate Biological Objectives Update

On November 18, 2020, the San Diego Water Board (Water Board) held a public hearing during their regularly scheduled Board meeting, to consider adoption of a proposed amendment to the Water Quality Control Plan for the San Diego Basin (Basin Plan) to incorporate numeric biological objectives for wadeable streams within the Basin that are currently designated as having one or more biological beneficial uses. On behalf of the San Diego Region Permittees, the Riverside County Flood Control and Water Conservation District, County of Orange, and County of San Diego provided a joint 45-minute presentation of comments on this proposed Basin Plan Amendment (BPA). The comments expressed support for changes to the proposed BPA made by staff (based on prior submitted comments) such as how ephemeral streams are identified, the effective date of the objective as a receiving water limitation in the regional MS4 Permit (no less than 5 years from the date the BPA takes effect), and the exclusion of 100% concrete-hardened channels. The comments requested further consideration of how the proposed BPA would apply to partially modified/ engineered channels. The Permittees highlighted the need to conduct more scientific research surrounding the potential for partially modified/engineered channels to support biological beneficial uses, particularly those in heavily urbanized areas that are designed to provide flood control for surrounding and upstream communities.

The public hearing was closed on November 18 without the Board taking action, but the proposed BPA was approved at the subsequent Water Board meeting on December 8, 2020. Next steps will be for the Water Board to seek approval of the BPA by the State Water Resources Control Board and California Office of Administrative Law (presumably within the next six months). Amendments containing new or revised water quality standards also require the approval of the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency. As this BPA represents the first attempt to establish numeric biological objectives for a Region, and could influence how this important policy decision is carried out in other areas, the California Stormwater Quality Association (CASQA) is taking an active interest in tracking the progress of this item. Additionally, the new five-year research agenda approved by the Southern California Stormwater Monitoring Coalition (SMC) in 2020 includes a study that would focus on the potential of channels in urbanized areas to support biological beneficial uses. The SMC Steering Committee held a discussion on potentially prioritizing this study in future fiscal years (beyond FY 2021-22) at its meeting on December 22, 2020.

¹ Hearing dates are obtained from the Commission on State Mandates website: https://www.csm.ca.gov/docs-pending/tc.pdf.

More information on the proposed BPA can be found at: https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/sandiego/water issues/programs/basin plan/bio objectives/.

c) Southern California Stormwater Monitoring Coalition (SMC) Five-Year Workplan for the Regional Stream Monitoring Program

In 2009, the Permittees began participation in a regional bioassessment monitoring program sponsored by the SMC, a coalition of federal, state, and local agencies, and the Southern California Coastal Water Research Project (SCCWRP). The initial five-year survey workplan (2009 -2014) documented the condition of perennial wadeable streams in the region and set a baseline for monitoring regional trends. In 2015, a second five-year workplan was developed and approved, with the intent to build on the initial five-year workplan focus on trend assessments.

Currently, a third five-year workplan developed by the technical workgroup which supports the Regional Stream Monitoring Program is being reviewed for approval by the SMC Steering Committee. This next workplan will expand the ability of this program to support management actions and decisions surrounding streams impacted by MS4 discharges by (1) expanding coverage in under-sampled areas, (2) conducting causal assessments at sites in poor condition, and (3) developing a better understanding of the extent of perennial, intermittent, and ephemeral streams in the region.

The third five-year workplan will continue to ensure comparability across different programs while offering flexibility to accommodate available agency resources. The workplan includes committed and uncommitted elements, which may be implemented if additional resources become available, or non-SMC partners wish to contribute to the program. Each SMC member agency has been asked to commit to one or more survey element, based on agency priorities and permit requirements. Agencies may alter their allocations on an annual basis (e.g., shifting sites from one survey element to another, or one watershed to another), with the approval of the SMC Steering Committee.

County staff representing Orange County MS4 Permittees on the SMC Steering Committee and regional stream monitoring program technical workgroup have allocated resources to a mix of survey elements. For streams in North OC, the focus of the five-year workplan will be on condition estimates, trend estimates, and targeted station visits in under-sampled areas. For streams in South OC, the focus will be on condition estimates, trend estimates, and wet-dry mapping in catchments with poorly characterized hydrologic regimes.

d) Preliminary Staff Draft of the Statewide Construction Stormwater General Permit and Virtual Public Workshops

On November 30, 2020, the State Board released a preliminary staff draft of the Statewide Construction Stormwater General Permit (CGP) reissuance incorporating:

- (1) New requirements to implement existing Total Maximum Daily Loads;
- (2) New regulation of passive treatment technology uses and discharges from dewatering activities;
- (3) Updated criteria for Notices of Non-Applicability,
- (4) Efficiency to the existing Notice of Termination process;

- (5) Requirements to implement the California Ocean Plan, Inland Surface Waters Plan, and Statewide Trash Provisions;
- (6) Updated requirements for demolition activities;
- (7) Updated water quality sampling requirements per the federal Sufficiently Sensitive Test Methods Rule; and
- (8) Updated monitoring and reporting requirements.

State Board staff held two public workshops in December 2020 to provide interested stakeholders information on the preliminary staff draft CGP and allowed interested stakeholder to provide feedback to State Board staff. Both public workshops were recorded, and the recordings are available on the State Board website². A formal notice and written comment period for the draft CGP reissuance, as well as a State Board hearing to receive oral comments will be provided at a later date.

More information on the preliminary staff draft of the CGP can be found at the State Boards website².

e) Customer Satisfaction Survey Results and Program Governance Update

On an annual basis from 2004-2008 and in 2011, the County of Orange (County) conducted customer satisfaction surveys of the Orange County Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System (MS4) Permittees to assess satisfaction with the administration of the OC Stormwater Program. In June 2020, the County, through Action Research, issued a new customer satisfaction survey with a revised set of questions to assess the level of satisfaction with support and services the County is providing and identify areas of potential improvement or modification.

Survey results have been presented and discussed at General Permittee Committee meetings and a final report on results was distributed to Permittees on September 3, 2020. The County is in the process of developing a proposed Action Plan from the survey results. The proposed Action Plan distinguishes between items of high satisfaction and items that may need additional Permittee discussion based on a threshold score, and highlights individual Permittee comments and suggestions that may be actionable (e.g., specific training ideas). The proposed Action Plan will be presented for discussion at future Local Implementation Plan/Program Effectiveness Assessment (LIP/PEA) subcommittee and General Permittee Committee meetings.

As previously presented at the October 15, 2020, NPDES TAC meeting, two comments questioning the relevance of the TAC were received. The TAC directed County staff to gather clarification and additional feedback from the Permittees regarding proposed alternatives and come back to the TAC with recommendations on how to proceed. County staff initiated a TAC governance discussion with the Permittees at the December 3, 2020, General Permittee Committee meeting. Further discussion was conducted at the January 12, 2021, LIP/PEA subcommittee meeting. The County will be surveying Permittees on whether to keep the TAC unchanged or explore alternatives and form a Permittee Ad Hoc Group to inform that effort. The County will continue administering the TAC in its current form while working with Permittees to determine potential options they would like to pursue.

² https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/water issues/programs/stormwater/construction/general permit reissuance.html

f) Tentative Los Angeles MS4 Regional Permit

Los Angeles region MS4 discharges are currently regulated by Order Numbers R4-2010-0108 (for Ventura County and incorporated cities therein), R4-2012-0175 (for Los Angeles County and incorporated cities therein except the City of Long Beach), and R4-2014-0024 (for the City of Long Beach), adopted by the Los Angeles Water Board on July 8, 2010, November 8, 2012, and February 6, 2014, respectively. Each of these permits has expired but remains in effect until the Los Angeles Water Board adopts a new permit.

On August 24, 2020, the Los Angeles Water Board issued the Tentative Los Angeles Regional MS4 Permit (Tentative Order)³. If adopted, the Tentative Order would supersede Order Numbers R4-2010-0108, R4-2012-0175, and R4-2014-0024. Opportunity for public comment was originally through October 23, 2020, but was extended to December 7, 2020⁴. The Santa Ana Water Board's proposed Regional MS4 permit for North Orange County, San Bernardino County, and Riverside County is expected to be influenced by this Tentative Order. In addition, there are Total Maximum Daily Load (TMDL) requirements for the San Gabriel River that cross Water Board boundaries.

On December 7, 2020, the County, on behalf of North OC MS4 Permittees, submitted a joint comment letter with Riverside County Flood Control and Water Conservation District and San Bernardino County Flood Control District (Santa Ana Region MS4 Permittees) to the Los Angeles Water Board regarding the Tentative Order. The comment letter included six distinct comments, summarized below.

- The first was a request that TMDL wasteload allocations (WLA) be incorporated as BMP-based water quality based effluent limitations (WQBELs) instead of numeric WQBELs, which is more consistent with available guidance, is feasible, and supports effective watershed planning. A specific suggestion was to incorporate language similar to the existing Riverside and San Bernardino MS4 permits that allows for the Watershed Management Plans (WMPs) to become the WQBELs once approved.
- 2. The second comment included five suggested modifications to the WMP provisions in the Tentative Order to help incentivize the use of WMPs and provide flexibility to accommodate the different conditions and strategies that may be appropriate for individual watersheds.
- 3. The third comment requests modification to the prescriptive reporting requirements for program expenditures because the level of detail required in the Tentative Order goes beyond Federal requirements, lacks a clear connection to water quality improvement, and will require a large level of effort to track, gather and report.
- 4. The fourth comment was a request for modifications to allow compliance with the Tentative Order trash discharge prohibitions to also constitute compliance with trash receiving water limitations associated with the Statewide Trash Amendments. This comment also requests modifications to have interim milestones that are more flexible to support a range of implementation approaches that will still attain the final deadlines in the Statewide Trash Amendments.

³ The Tentative Regional MS4 Permit is available under "Regional Permit (in development)" on the Los Angeles Water Board's website at: https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/losangeles/water issues/programs/stormwater/municipal/index.html

⁴ https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/losangeles/water issues/programs/stormwater/municipal/RB4 Comment Extension Response.pdf

- 5. The fifth comment was a recommendation to remove the two new discharge prohibitions from the Tentative Order. The removal of the toxic substances prohibition is recommended because the Basin Plan narrative toxicity objective meant to be implemented through this prohibition applies to the receiving water, not the discharge location. The removal of the Federal Insecticide, Fungicide and Rodenticide Act (FIFRA) prohibition is recommended because the prohibition is exceedingly broad and would be challenging for Permittees to implement.
- The sixth comment was a recommendation that specific provisions either be removed or modified to address potential barriers to implementing multi-benefit regional projects to address planning and land development requirements.
 - g) Schedule for Proposition 1, Round 2 Integrated Regional Water Management Implementation Program Grant Funding

The Department of Water Resources (DWR) recently shared a draft schedule for the Proposition 1, Round 2 Integrated Regional Water Management (IRWM) Implementation Program (Program) grant funding. This will be the final round of funding for the Program. DWR anticipates releasing the final Grant Proposal Solicitation Package (PSP) in late 2021. A total of \$22,963,572 in Round 2 Program funding is allocated to the Santa Ana Funding Area, with \$7,175,543 specifically set aside for projects in North and Central Orange County. A total of \$19,162,500 in Round 2 Program funding is allocated to the San Diego Funding Area, with \$2,330,000 specifically set aside for projects in South Orange County. County staff will work with stakeholders in the region to facilitate local project solicitation and selection in accordance with DWR's schedule. For additional information, please contact Christy Suppes (North and Central Orange County) at christy.suppes@ocpw.ocgov.com or Jenna Voss (South Orange County) at jenna.voss@ocpw.ocgov.com. If requesting additional information about South Orange County before February 1, 2021, please contact Beatrice Musacchia at beatrice.musacchia@ocpw.ocgov.com.

ITEM # 10 Adjournment

The next TAC meeting is scheduled from 2:00 – 3:30 PM, May 20, 2021, via teleconference only. This meeting will be the annual budget review meeting with the City Managers Water Quality Committee, where the FY 2021-22 NPDES Stormwater Program Shared Costs Budget will be recommended for approval.