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## Los Angeles Regional Water Quality Control Board

**TO:** Mr. Wade Crowfoot  
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**FROM:** for Susana Arredondo  
Executive Officer  
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**DATE:** September 26, 2023

**SUBJECT:** TRANSMITTAL OF NOTICE OF DECISION FOR AN AMENDMENT TO THE WATER QUALITY CONTROL PLAN FOR THE LOS ANGELES REGION TO INCORPORATE A TOTAL MAXIMUM DAILY LOAD FOR INDICATOR BACTERIA IN LOS CERRITOS CHANNEL AND ESTUARY, ALAMITOS BAY, AND COLORADO LAGOON, AND TO SUSPEND THE RECREATIONAL USES IN LOS CERRITOS CHANNEL DURING UNSAFE WET WEATHER CONDITIONS

On March 10, 2022, the Los Angeles Regional Water Quality Control Board (Los Angeles Water Board) adopted Resolution No. R22-002, amending the *Water Quality Control Plan for the Los Angeles Region* (Basin Plan). The amendments incorporate a total maximum daily load (TMDL) for indicator bacteria in Los Cerritos Channel and Estuary, Alamitos Bay, and Colorado Lagoon, and to suspend the recreational uses in Los Cerritos Channel during unsafe wet weather conditions. The Basin Plan amendment was approved by the State Water Resources Control Board (State Water Board) on December 6, 2022 (Resolution No. 2022-0053) and the Office of Administrative Law on September 19, 2023 (OAL File No. 2023-0804-03 S).

The Water Quality Control Planning Program of the State Water Board and the Regional Water Quality Control Boards (Regional Water Boards) is a “certified regulatory program” under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), as provided in section 21080.5 of the Public Resources Code. A Basin Plan amendment approved under a certified regulatory program is not final until the State Water Board or a Regional Water Board files, with the Secretary of the Natural Resources Agency, a Notice of Decision and either the Department of Fish and Wildlife’s written “No Effect” Determination or a receipt of payment of the Department of Fish and Wildlife environmental document filing fee.

Attached are documents of the Notice of Decision, the receipt of the filing fee paid to the Department of Fish and Wildlife, and OAL’s Approval Letter for the Basin Plan amendment adopted by the Los Angeles Water Board. Also attached are Los Angeles Water Board Resolution No. R22-002, the Environmental Checklist, and State Water Board Resolution No. 2022-0053.

Should you have any questions regarding this Basin Plan amendment, you may contact Dr. Kangshi Wang at (213) 576-6780 or [kangshi.wang@waterboards.ca.gov](mailto:kangshi.wang@waterboards.ca.gov), who is lead staff on this

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matter, or Elisha Wakefield, supervisor of the TMDL and NPS Unit at the Los Angeles Water Board. She can be contacted at (213) 576-6785 or [elisha.wakefield@waterboards.ca.gov](mailto:elisha.wakefield@waterboards.ca.gov).

Attachments (6)

Notice of Decision

Department of Fish and Wildlife Filing Fee Cash Receipt

OAL's Approval Letter

Los Angeles Water Board Resolution No. R22-002

State Water Board Resolution No. 2022-0053

Environmental Checklist (Section 6.2 of Substitute Environmental Documents)