



Dear Stakeholder and Interested Party,

The Los Angeles County Flood Control District (LACFCD) has extended the public comment period for the Notice of Preparation (NOP) of a Program Environmental Impact Report (PEIR) for proposed Enhanced Watershed Management Programs (EWMP). The extended NOP comment period will end October 29, 2014. The LACFCD is soliciting feedback from interested persons and agencies as to the scope and content of the environmental information to be evaluated in the PEIR. Comments may be submitted by regular mail or email to the Greg BeGell at the address provided below.

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As Lead Agency, LACFCD has developed the NOP to notify Responsible and Trustee Agencies and interested parties that the LACFCD is preparing the PEIR for the proposed project. The Notice of Preparation (NOP) for the PEIR as well as other information including a presentation describing the process can be accessed at: www.LACoH2Osheds.com

The LACFCD, the County of Los Angeles, and 84 incorporated cities within Los Angeles County (collectively referred to as Permittees) are covered under federal clean water regulations ("permits") for the discharge of urban runoff to waters of the United States. Under the 2012 Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System (MS4) Permit for Los Angeles County, Permittees have the option of implementing an innovative approach to Permit compliance through development of EWMPs. The LACFCD, along with participating cities, has opted to exercise this option through the development of 12 EWMPs in their respective watershed groups. These EWMPs will identify structural and non-structural strategies to achieve permit compliance. The EWMPs will be submitted to the Los Angeles Regional Water Quality Control Board (LARWQCB) for approval. Implementation of the EMWPs would occur following approval by the LARWQCB.

We will continue to keep you informed of the process.