



May 26, 2021

VIA EMAIL: Hope.Smythe@waterboards.ca.gov

Ms. Hope Smythe
Executive Officer
Santa Ana Regional Water Quality Control Board
3737 Main Street, Suite 500
Riverside, CA 92501-3348

Re: OC San's Draft NPDES Permit (Order No. R8-2021-0010 and NPDES No. CA0110604)

Dear Ms. Smythe:

The Irvine Ranch Water District would like to express its support for the adoption of the Orange County Sanitation District's (OC San) National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) Permit and Order. We understand that the permit and associated order is quickly coming before the Santa Ana Regional Water Quality Control Board for final adoption.

For more than 65 years, OC San has been providing regional wastewater collection, treatment, ocean disposal and recycling for approximately 2.6 million people in central and northwest Orange County. Beyond its core services of sewage collection and treatment, OC San adds to Orange County's environmental stewardship efforts through its dry weather runoff program improving recreational water quality in Orange County, partnering on the Groundwater Replenishment System, and treating diverted nuisance groundwater and surface water flows with high concentrations of selenium and nitrates from the Peters Canyon Channel for treatment and reuse. Through all of these services, OC San protects public health and the environment.

Approving the NPDES Permit and Order will allow OC San to continue this important work. It for this reason that IRWD supports its final adoption. Should you have any questions about our support, or if we can be of assistance to you or your staff, please feel free to contact me at (949) 453-5590.

Sincerely,



Paul A. Cook, P.E.
General Manager

cc: Julio Lara, Santa Ana Regional Water Quality Control Board
Julie Song, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency



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RE: OC San's Draft NPDES permit (Order No. R8-2021-0010 and NPDES No. CA0110604)

Dear Ms. Smythe:

On behalf of the City of La Habra, as well as our residents and the local business community, I am writing to express our support for the adoption of the Orange County Sanitation District's (OC San) National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) permit and Order for final adoption. OC San's primary mission is to protect public health and the environment and for the past 65 years, OC San has provided regional service of wastewater collection, treatment, ocean disposal, and recycling for approximately 2.6 million people in central and northwest Orange County.

Beyond these services, OC San continues to be a leader in the field, cultivating innovative and collaborative regional environmental stewardship efforts that serve the community, such as the dry weather runoff program that improves recreational water quality in Orange County, as well as other impactful projects like the initial expansion of the Groundwater Replenishment System. These services do so much to protect and preserve Orange County's watershed, and OC San continues to improve the overall health, wellness, and economy of the residents and businesses that call Orange County home.

To meet the growing demands of Orange County, OC San continues to execute its Capital Improvement Program with an emphasis on sustainability and improvement of OC San's regional sewer infrastructure. **During Fiscal Year 2020-2021, OC San is on track to bid and issue \$500 million of construction contracts for more than 35 capital infrastructure projects.** Through these projects, the regional wastewater system will continue to safely collect, transport, treat, dispose, and recycle 189 million gallons of wastewater each and every day.

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As a partner of OC San, the City of La Habra supports shared efforts that seek to improve the reliability of our regional wastewater treatment system. We wholeheartedly support this adoption as it will deliver regional benefits to our community and improve quality of life. If we can provide any additional information on our shared commitment to this adoption of the NPDES permit, please contact our Public Works Director, Mr. Elias Saykali, at 562-383-4170.

Sincerely,



Rose Espinoza
Mayor

cc: La Habra City Council
Jim Sadro, City Manager
Elias Saykali, Director of Public Works
Julio Lara, Santa Ana Regional Water Quality Control Board
Julie Song, Environmental Protection Agency

Office of the City Council



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To meet the demands of Orange County, OC San continues to execute its Capital Improvement Program to ensure sustainability and structural integrity of OC San's regional sewer infrastructure throughout Orange County. In Fiscal Year 2020-2021, OC San is on track to bid and issue \$500 million of construction contracts for over 35 projects. Through these projects, the regional wastewater system will continue to safely collect, transport, treat, dispose, and recycle 189 million gallons of wastewater every day.

As the Mayor Pro Tem of the City of Tustin, this request will directly support our shared efforts to improve the reliability of our regional wastewater treatment system. We wholeheartedly support this adoption as it will deliver regional benefits to our community and improve quality of life. If we can provide any additional information on our shared commitment to this adoption of the NPDES permit, please let us know. Please do not hesitate to contact Doug Stack, Director of Public Works, at (714) 573-3163 or via email at dstack@tustinca.org should you have any questions.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Austin Lumbard".

Austin Lumbard
Mayor Pro Tem



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As the Mayor of the City of Villa Park this request will directly support our shared efforts to improve the reliability of our regional wastewater treatment system. We wholeheartedly support this adoption as it will deliver regional benefits to our community and improve quality of life. If we can provide any additional information on our shared commitment to this adoption of the NPDES permit, please let us know. Please do not hesitate to contact me at (714) 276-7013 or via email at cmiles@villapark.org should you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Crystal Miles
Mayor
City of Villa Park

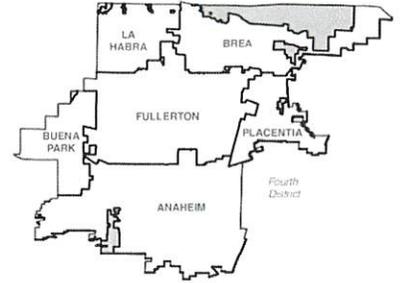
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As the Vice Chair of the Board of Supervisors, this request will directly support our shared efforts to improve the reliability of our regional wastewater treatment system. We wholeheartedly support this adoption as it will deliver regional benefits to our community and improve quality of life. If we can provide any additional information on our shared commitment to this adoption of the NPDES permit, please let us know. Please do not hesitate to contact Beatriz Mendoza at (714) 834-3440 or via email at beatriz.mendoza@ocgov.com should you have any questions.

Sincerely,


Doug Chaffee
Supervisor, Fourth District
Orange County Board of Supervisors



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June 1, 2021

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Beyond these services, OC San has been a valued partner of the County of Orange and Orange County Flood Control District (OCFCD) in ongoing innovative and collaborative regional environmental stewardship efforts. For example, OC San accepts dry weather runoff from three diversion locations operated by OCFCD on the Santa Ana River, Greenville-Banning Channel and from storm drains via the Adams Street Pump Station, which have improved recreational water quality in Orange County. Additionally, OC San, Orange County Water District and the County collectively lead integrated regional water management (IRWM) planning for north Orange County through The OC Plan, working with regional stakeholders in establishing priorities for water resource needs, integrating water resource solutions across traditional bounds, and jointly advocating for policies and funding that assist these goals. Overall providing such services and leadership presence in the north Orange County watersheds, OC San continues to improve the overall health, wellness, and economy of the residents and businesses in Orange County.

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As the Deputy Director of OC Environmental Resources for the County of Orange, I value how OC San directly supports our shared efforts to improve the quality, performance and reliability of our regional water resources. We support the adoption of Order No. R8-2021-0010 as it will deliver regional benefits to our community and improve quality of life. Please do not hesitate to contact me at (714) 955-0601 or via email at amanda.carr@ocpw.ocgov.com should you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Amanda Carr

Deputy Director, OC Environmental Resources, OC Public Works

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I would like to express my support for the adoption of the Orange County Sanitation District's (OC San) National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) permit and Order for final adoption. As the Board President of the Orange County Water District (OCWD), I know this permit will directly support our shared efforts to improve the reliability of our regional wastewater treatment system, enhance local water supplies, and improve groundwater quality and reliability for more than 2.5 million people in our service area. We wholeheartedly support this adoption; OCWD relies on OC San for both the supply of high-quality secondary effluent and the disposal of treatment residuals (e.g., reverse osmosis concentrate) to operate the Groundwater Replenishment System (GWRS), a project that increases local water reliability.

The GWRS is the world's largest potable reuse facility, which purifies treated wastewater to drinking water standards, creating a new supply of water used to replenish the Orange County Groundwater Basin. A regional asset managed by OCWD, the Basin provides 77% of the drinking water for north and central Orange County. OCWD, along with our project partner, OC San, is currently constructing the Final Expansion of the GWRS to increase production from 100 million gallons of water per day (MGD) to 130 MGD by 2023—enough water for 1 million people. When complete, this project will allow the region to recycle 100% of OC San's reclaimable flows—an industry first.

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In addition, to meet the demands of Orange County, OC San continues to execute its Capital Improvement Program to ensure sustainability and structural integrity of OC San's regional sewer infrastructure throughout Orange County. In Fiscal Year 2020-2021, OC San is on track to bid and issue \$500 million of construction contracts for over 35 projects. Through these projects, the regional wastewater system will continue to safely collect, transport, treat, dispose, and recycle 189 million gallons of wastewater every day.

If we can provide additional information on our shared commitment to the adoption of the NPDES permit, kindly let us know. Please do not hesitate to contact me or OCWD Legislative Liaison Alicia Dunkin at adunkin@ocwd.com or (714) 477-3750 if you have questions and/or if we may be of any assistance on water policy issues in the coming year.

Sincerely,



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OC San’s primary mission is to protect public health and the environment through its services. For more than 65 years, OC San has been providing regional service of wastewater collection, treatment, ocean disposal and recycling for approximately 2.6 million people in central and northwest Orange County. Beyond these services, OC San continues to provide ongoing innovative and collaborative regional environmental stewardship efforts such as its long standing dry weather runoff program improving recreational water quality in Orange County, along with other impactful projects including the initial expansion of the Groundwater Replenishment System, diversion of nuisance groundwater and surface water flows with high concentrations of selenium and nitrates from Peters Canyon Channel for treatment and reuse. Overall, providing such services and leadership presence in the Orange County watershed, OC San continues to improve the overall health, wellness, and economy of the residents and businesses in Orange County.

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As the CEO of the Pacific Marine Mammal Center, this request will directly support our shared efforts to improve the reliability of our regional wastewater treatment system. We wholeheartedly support this adoption as it will deliver regional benefits to our community and improve quality of life. If we can provide any additional information on our shared commitment to this adoption of the NPDES permit, please let us know. Please do not hesitate to contact me at (949) 494-3050 or via email at pchang@pacificmmc.org should you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Peter Chang
Chief Executive Officer