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## Central Coast Regional Water Quality Control Board

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**Sent via Electronic Mail**

Dear Fernando Armenta:

### **APPROVAL OF STORMWATER PROGRAM IMPLEMENTATION REDUCTION PROPOSED IN THE MONTEREY COUNTY STORMWATER PROGRAM GUIDANCE DOCUMENT**

Central Coast Regional Water Quality Control Board (Central Coast Water Board) staff has reviewed your municipality's Guidance Document dated September 26, 2014 and your Guidance Document Appendix dated September 26, 2014, submitted pursuant to Section A.1.b (4) of the Statewide General Phase II Municipal Stormwater Permit, Order No. 2013-0001-DWQ (2013 General Permit). Your municipality's Guidance Document proposes reduction and/or cessation of implementation of some Best Management Practices (BMPs) contained in your municipality's most current approved Stormwater Management Plan (SWMP). The proposed reductions and/or cessations were subject to public comment pursuant to Section A.1.b (4)(e) of the 2013 General Permit. The public comment period concluded on October 7, 2013.

Central Coast Water Board staff finds that the proposed implementation reductions and/or cessations contained in your municipality's Guidance Document are in compliance with the 2013 General Permit and the maximum extent practicable standard, and should not result in increased pollutant discharges. Therefore, I hereby approve the proposed BMP implementation reductions and/or cessations. Should new information come to our attention that indicates a potential water quality problem, we may require additional modifications to your municipality's stormwater management program or Guidance Document, pursuant to Section G of the 2013 General Permit.

In accordance with Section E.1 of the 2013 General Permit, where you are reducing or ceasing existing BMP implementation because it is being replaced by new BMP implementation under the requirements of the 2013 General Permit, you must continue implementation of your existing BMPs until you commence implementation of the new BMPs under 2013 General Permit requirements.

Sincerely,

for Kenneth A. Harris, Jr.  
Executive Officer

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