APPENDIX M

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Dear Mr. Highter:

NOTICE OF PREPARATION OF A DRAFT ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT (EIR) FOR THE PALMDALE WATER RECLAMATION PLANT 2025 FACILITIES **PLAN PROJECT**

The Notice of Preparation for an EIR for the Palmdale Water Reclamation Plant 2025 Facilities Plan project has been reviewed for potential impact on the facilities of this Department. The Department operates and manages hundreds of recreational facilities in Los Angeles County, including a several parks in the Palmdale area. The EIR should analyze direct and indirect impacts to recreational facilities, including those under the jurisdiction of the Department.

Thank you for including this Department in the review of this environmental document. If we may be of further assistance, please contact Bryan Moscardini, Park Project Coordinator, at (213) 351-5133.

Sincerely,

Bryan Moscardini, Park Project Coordinator for

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RE: Comments on the Notice of Preparation for a Draft Environmental Impact Report for the Palmdale Water Reclamation Plant 2025 Facilities Plan – SCAG No. I 20040643

Dear Mr. Highter

Thank you for submitting the Notice of Preparation for a Draft Environmental Impact Report for the Palmdale Water Reclamation Plant 2025 Facilities Plan to SCAG for review and comment. As areawide clearinghouse for regionally significant projects, SCAG reviews the consistency of local plans, projects, and programs with regional plans. This activity is based on SCAG's responsibilities as a regional planning organization pursuant to state and federal laws and regulations. Guidance provided by these reviews is intended to assist local agencies and project sponsors to take actions that contribute to the attainment of regional goals and policies.

We have reviewed the Notice of Preparation, and have determined that the proposed Project is regionally significant per SCAG mandates that directly relate to the policies and strategies contained in the Regional Comprehensive Plan. The proposed Project considers the construction of water facilities. CEQA requires that EIRs discuss any inconsistencies between the proposed project and the applicable general plans and regional plans (Section 15125 [d]). If there are inconsistencies, an explanation and rationalization for such inconsistencies should be provided.

Policies of SCAG's Regional Comprehensive Plan and Guide and Regional Transportation Plan, which may be applicable to your project, are outlined in the attachment. We expect the Draft EIR to specifically cite the appropriate SCAG policies and address the manner in which the Project is consistent with applicable core policies or supportive of applicable ancillary policies. Please use our policy numbers to refer to them in your Draft EIR. Also, we would encourage you to use a side-by-side comparison of SCAG policies with a discussion of the consistency or support of the policy with the Proposed Project.

Please provide a minimum of 45 days for SCAG to review the Draft EIR when this document is available. If you have any questions regarding the attached comments, please contact me at (213) 236-1867. Thank you.

Sincerely

JEFFREY M. SMITH, AICP Senior Regional Planner Intergovernmental Review

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COMMENTS ON THE PROPOSAL TO DEVELOP A DRAFT ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT FOR THE ORANGE COUNTY WATER DISTRICT LONG TERM FACILITIES PLAN AND ANNEXATION SCAG NO. I 20040558

PROJECT DESCRIPTION

The proposed Project considers the preparation of a facilities plan for County Sanitation District No. 20 of Los Angeles County's (District No. 20) Palmdale Water Reclamation Plant. The Plan will assess the wastewater treatment and effluent management needs of District No. 20 through the year 2025, and recommend specific improvements to meet those needs. The proposed Project is located in the City of Palmdale, Los Angeles County.

CONSISTENCY WITH REGIONAL COMPREHENSIVE PLAN AND GUIDE POLICIES

The **Growth Management Chapter (GMC)** of the Regional Comprehensive Plan and Guide (RCPG) contains the following policies that are particularly applicable and should be addressed in the Draft EIR for the Palmdale Water Reclamation Plant 2025 Facilities Plan.

3.03 The timing, financing, and location of public facilities, utility systems, and transportation systems shall be used by SCAG to implement the region's growth policies.

GMC POLICIES RELATED TO THE RCPG GOAL TO IMPROVE THE REGIONAL STANDARD OF LIVING

The Growth Management goals to develop urban forms that enable individuals to spend less income on housing cost, that minimize public and private development costs, and that enable firms to be more competitive, strengthen the regional strategic goal to stimulate the regional economy. The evaluation of the proposed project in relation to the following policies would be intended to guide efforts toward achievement of such goals and does not infer regional interference with local land use powers.

3.10 Support local jurisdictions' actions to minimize red tape and expedite the permitting process to maintain economic vitality and competitiveness.

GMC POLICIES RELATED TO THE RCPG GOAL TO IMPROVE THE REGIONAL QUALITY OF LIFE

The Growth Management goals to attain mobility and clean air goals and to develop urban forms that enhance quality of life, that accommodate a diversity of life styles, that preserve open space and natural resources, and that are aesthetically pleasing and preserve the character of communities, enhance the regional strategic goal of maintaining the regional quality of life. The evaluation of the proposed project in relation to the following policies would be intended to provide direction for plan implementation, and does not allude to regional mandates.

- 3.18 Encourage planned development in locations least likely to cause environmental impact.
- 3.20 Support the protection of vital resources such as wetlands, groundwater recharge areas, woodlands, production lands, and land containing unique and endangered plants and animals.
- 3.21 Encourage the implementation of measures aimed at the preservation and protection of recorded and unrecorded cultural resources and archaeological sites.
- 3.22 Discourage development, or encourage the use of special design requirements, in areas with steep slopes, high fire, flood, and seismic hazards.
- 3.23 Encourage mitigation measures that reduce noise in certain locations, measures aimed at preservation of biological and ecological resources, measures that would reduce exposure to seismic hazards, minimize earthquake damage, and to develop emergency response and recovery plans.

GMC POLICIES RELATED TO THE RCPG GOAL TO PROVIDE SOCIAL, POLITICAL, AND CULTURAL EQUITY

The Growth Management Goal to develop urban forms that avoid economic and social polarization promotes the regional strategic goal of minimizing social and geographic disparities and of reaching equity among all segments of society. The evaluation of the proposed project in relation to the policy stated below is intended guide direction for the accomplishment of this goal, and does not infer regional mandates and interference with local land use powers.

3.27 Support local jurisdictions and other service providers in their efforts to develop

sustainable communities and provide, equally to all members of society, accessible and effective services such as: public education, housing, health care, social services, recreational facilities, law enforcement, and fire protection.

REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION PLAN

The 2004 Regional Transportation Plan (RTP) also has goals and policies that are pertinent to this proposed project. This RTP links the goal of sustaining mobility with the goals of fostering economic development, enhancing the environment, reducing energy consumption, promoting transportation-friendly development patterns, and encouraging fair and equitable access to residents affected by socio-economic, geographic and commercial limitations. The RTP continues to support all applicable federal and state laws in implementing the proposed project. Among the relevant goals and policies of the RTP are the following:

Regional Transportation Plan Goals

- Maximize mobility and accessibility for all people and goods in the region.
- Ensure travel safety and reliability for all people and goods in the region.
- Preserve and ensure a sustainable regional transportation system.
- Maximize the productivity of our transportation system.
- Protect the environment, improve air quality and promote energy efficiency.
- Encourage land use and growth patterns that complement our transportation investments.

Regional Transportation Plan Policies

 Transportation investments shall be based on SCAG's adopted Regional Performance Indicators.

Performance Indicator	Performance <u>Measures</u>	<u>Definition</u>	Performance <u>Outcome</u>	
Mobility	Average Daily Speed Average Daily Delay	Speed-experienced by travelers regardless of mode. Delay-excess travel time resulting from the difference between a reference speed and actual speed. Total daily delay and daily delay per capita are indicators used.	10% Improvement 40% Improvement	
Accessibility	Percent PM peak work trips within 45 minutes of home Distribution of work trip travel times		Auto 90% Transit 37% Auto 8% Improvement Transit 8% Improvement	
Reliability	Percent variation in travel time	Day-to-day change in travel times experienced by travelers. Variability results from accidents,	10% Improvement	

		weather, road closures, system problems and other non-recurrent conditions.	
Safety of the color	Accident Rates	Measured in accidents per million vehicle miles by mode.	0.3% Improvement
Cost Effectiveness	Benefit-to-Cost (B/C) Ratio	Ratio of benefits of RTP investments to the associated investments costs.	\$3.08
Productivity	Percent capability utilized during peak conditions	Transportation infrastructure capacity and services provided. Roadway Capacity - vehicles per hour per lane by type of facility. Transit Capacity - seating capacity utilized by mode.	20% Improvement at known bottlenecks N/A
Sustainability	Total cost per capita to sustain current system performance	Focus in on overall performance, including infrastructure condition Preservation measure is a subset of sustainability.	\$20 per capita, primarily in preservation costs
Preservation	 Maintenance cost per capita to preserve system at base year conditions 	Focus is on infrastructure condition. Sub-set of sustainability.	Maintain current conditions
Environmental	Emissions generated by travel	Measured/forecast emissions include CO, NOX, PM10, SOX and VOC. CO2 as secondary measure to reflect greenhouse emissions.	Meets conformity requirements
Environmental Justice	 Expenditures by quintile and ethnicity. 	Proportionate share of expenditures in the 2004 RTP by each quintile.	No disproportionate impact to any group or quintile
	Benefit vs. burden by quintiles	Proportionate share of benefits to each quintile ethnicity.	
		Proportionate share of additional airport noise by ethnic group.	

- Ensuring safety, adequate maintenance, and efficiency of operations on the existing multi-modal transportation system will be RTP priorities and will be balanced against the need for system expansion investments.
- RTP land use and growth strategies that differ from currently expected trends will require a collaborative implementation program that identifies required actions and policies by all affected agencies and sub-regions.
- HOV gap closures that significantly increase transit and rideshare usage will be supported and encouraged, subject to Policy #1.

AIR QUALITY CHAPTER CORE ACTIONS

The Air Quality Chapter core actions related to the proposed project includes:

- 5.07 Determine specific programs and associated actions needed (e.g., indirect source rules, enhanced use of telecommunications, provision of community based shuttle services, provision of demand management based programs, or vehicle-milestraveled/emission fees) so that options to command and control regulations can be assessed.
- 5.11 Through the environmental document review process, ensure that plans at all levels of government (regional, air basin, county, subregional and local) consider air quality, land use, transportation and economic relationships to ensure consistency and minimize conflicts.

WATER QUALITY CHAPTER RECOMMENDATIONS AND POLICY OPTIONS

The Water Quality Chapter core recommendations and policy options relate to the two water quality goals: to restore and maintain the chemical, physical and biological integrity of the nation's water; and, to achieve and maintain water quality objectives that are necessary to protect all beneficial uses of all waters.

- 11.06 Clean up the contamination in the region's major groundwater aquifers since its water supply is critical to the long-term economic and environmental health of the region. The financing of such clean-ups should leverage state and federal resources and minimize significant impacts on the local economy.
- 11.07 Encourage water reclamation throughout the region where it is cost-effective, feasible, and appropriate to reduce reliance on imported water and wastewater discharges. Current administrative impediments to increased use of wastewater should be addressed.
- 11.08 Ensure wastewater treatment agency facility planning and facility development be consistent with population projection contained in the RCPG, while taking into account the need to build wastewater treatment facilities in cost-effective increments of capacity, the need to build well enough in advance to reliably meet unanticipated service and storm water demands, and the need to provide standby capacity for public safety and environmental protection objectives.

CONCLUSIONS

All feasible measures needed to mitigate any potentially negative regional impacts associated with the proposed project should be implemented and monitored, as required by CEQA.

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Roles and Authorities

THE SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA ASSOCIATION OF GOVERNMENTS (SCAG) is a *Joint Powers Agency* established under California Government Code Section 6502 et seq. Under federal and state law, SCAG is designated as a Council of Governments (COG), a Regional Transportation Planning Agency (RTPA), and a Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO). SCAG's mandated roles and responsibilities include the following:

SCAG is designated by the federal government as the Region's *Metropolitan Planning Organization* and mandated to maintain a continuing, cooperative, and comprehensive transportation planning process resulting in a Regional Transportation Plan and a Regional Transportation Improvement Program pursuant to 23 U.S.C. '134, 49 U.S.C. '5301 et seq., 23 C.F.R. '450, and 49 C.F.R. '613. SCAG is also the designated *Regional Transportation Planning Agency*, and as such is responsible for both preparation of the Regional Transportation Plan (RTP) and Regional Transportation Improvement Program (RTIP) under California Government Code Section 65080 and 65082 respectively.

SCAG is responsible for developing the demographic projections and the integrated land use, housing, employment, and transportation programs, measures, and strategies portions of the *South Coast Air Quality Management Plan*, pursuant to California Health and Safety Code Section 40460(b)-(c). SCAG is also designated under 42 U.S.C. '7504(a) as a *Co-Lead Agency* for air quality planning for the Central Coast and Southeast Desert Air Basin District.

SCAG is responsible under the Federal Clean Air Act for determining *Conformity* of Projects, Plans and Programs to the State Implementation Plan, pursuant to 42 U.S.C. '7506.

Pursuant to California Government Code Section 65089.2, SCAG is responsible for *reviewing all Congestion Management Plans (CMPs) for consistency with regional transportation plans* required by Section 65080 of the Government Code. SCAG must also evaluate the consistency and compatibility of such programs within the region.

SCAG is the authorized regional agency for *Inter-Governmental Review* of Programs proposed for federal financial assistance and direct development activities, pursuant to Presidential Executive Order 12,372 (replacing A-95 Review).

SCAG reviews, pursuant to Public Resources Code Sections 21083 and 21087, Environmental Impacts Reports of projects of regional significance for consistency with regional plans [California Environmental Quality Act Guidelines Sections 15206 and 15125(b)].

Pursuant to 33 U.S.C. '1288(a)(2) (Section 208 of the Federal Water Pollution Control Act), SCAG is the authorized Areawide Waste Treatment Management Planning Agency.

SCAG is responsible for preparation of the *Regional Housing Needs Assessment*, pursuant to California Government Code Section 65584(a).

SCAG is responsible (with the Association of Bay Area Governments, the Sacramento Area Council of Governments, and the Association of Monterey Bay Area Governments) for preparing the *Southern California Hazardous Waste Management Plan* pursuant to California Health and Safety Code Section 25135.3.

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Jeffrey Smith, AICP FROM:

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SUBJECT: Palmdale Water Reclamation Plant 2025 Facilities Plan

Comments on the NOP for a Draft EIR, Page 2 TRANSMITTING:

> U.S. Mail SENT BY:

Revised Page 2 as requested. Thank you for your inquiry. REMARKS:

> If you should require further assistance, please call me at (213) 236-1867. Thank you.

Senior Regional Planner Intergovernmental Review

Sincerely,

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COMMENTS ON THE PROPOSAL TO DEVELOP A DRAFT ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT FOR THE PALMDALE WATER RECLAMATION PLANT 2025 FACILITIES PLAN SCAG NO. I 20040643

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Mr. Steven W. Highter Supervising Engineer, Planning Section County Sanitation District P.O. Box 4998 Whittier, CA 90607-4998

Dear Mr. Highter:

RESPONSE TO NOTICE OF PREPARATION FOR A DRAFT ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT PALMDALE WATER RECLAMATION PLANT 2025 FACILITIES PLAN CITY OF PALMDALE

Thank you for the opportunity to provide comments on the Notice of Preparation (NOP) for the Draft Environmental Impact Report (DEIR) for the Palmdale Water Reclamation Plant 2025 Facility Plan. We offer the following comments for your consideration:

Hydrology/Water Quality

The hydrological and water quality analyses to be performed under this DEIR should be in compliance with the County and Federal Emergency Management Act regulations and address impacts to unincorporated County areas.

Additionally, the Antelope Valley currently has a need to address the impacts of nuisance flows due to landscape irrigation from new and existing developments. One proposed option is to direct the nuisance flows to the wastewater reclamation plant for treatment. The DEIR for the Facilities Plan should explore the feasibility of this option and discuss the associated impacts.

Public Services and Utilities

The NOP states that the effects of the project on public services and utilities are not anticipated to be significant. Based on information in the NOP, the impacts to solid waste could be significant unless mitigation measures are implemented.



Mr. Steven W. Highter October 25, 2004 Page 2

As projected in the Los Angeles County Countywide Siting Element, which was approved in late 1997 by a majority of the cities in Los Angeles County with a majority of the population and by the County Board of Supervisors in January 1998, a shortfall in permitted daily landfill capacity will be experienced in the County within the next few years. The construction activities associated with the proposed project will increase the generation of solid waste and may negatively impact the solid waste management infrastructure in the County. Therefore, the DEIR should identify what measures will be implemented to mitigate the impact. Otherwise, the cumulative impact of solid waste generation from this and other projects in the surrounding area will negatively impact the solid waste management infrastructure in the County. Mitigation measures may include, but are not limited to, implementation of waste reduction and recycling programs to divert the construction waste and excavated material from landfills.

If you have any questions or require additional information, please contact Mr. Juan Sarda at (626) 458-7151.

Very truly yours,

DONALD L. WOLFE

Interim Director of Public Works

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October 26, 2004

Mr. Steven Highter County Sanitation Districts of L.A. County P.O. Box 4998 Whittier, CA 90607-4998

RE: Notice of Preparation of an EIR for the Palmdale Water Reclamation Plant 2025 Facilities Plan

Dear Mr. Highter:

Thank you for forwarding a copy of the above Notice of Preparation for our comments. Staff has no comments or recommendations at this time.

Once again, we thank you for including the City of Palmdale for comments. Should you require additional information, please contact Jaclyn Lee, or me, at (661)267-5200.

Sincerely,

Laurie Lile

Director of Planning

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September 22, 2004

To:

Reviewing Agencies

Re:

Palmdale Water Reclamation Plant 2025 Facilities Plan

SCH# 2004091123

Attached for your review and comment is the Notice of Preparation (NOP) for the Palmdale Water Reclamation Plant 2025 Facilities Plan draft Environmental Impact Report (EIR).

Responsible agencies must transmit their comments on the scope and content of the NOP, focusing on specific information related to their own statutory responsibility, within 30 days of receipt of the NOP from the Lead Agency. This is a courtesy notice provided by the State Clearinghouse with a reminder for you to comment in a timely manner. We encourage other agencies to also respond to this notice and express their concerns early in the environmental review process.

Please direct your comments to:

Steven W. Highter Los Angeles County Sanitation District 1955 Workman Mill Road Whittier, CA 90601-1400

with a copy to the State Clearinghouse in the Office of Planning and Research. Please refer to the SCH number noted above in all correspondence concerning this project.

If you have any questions about the environmental document review process, please call the State Clearinghouse at (916) 445-0613.

Sincerely,

Scott Morgan

Project Analyst, State Clearinghouse

Attachments cc: Lead Agency

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Project Title Palmdale Water Reclamation Plant 2025 Facilities Plan

Lead Agency Los Angeles County Sanitation District

Type NOP Notice of Preparation

Description The project consists of the preparation of a facilities plan for County Sanitation District No. 20 of Los

Angeles County's (District No. 20) Palmdale Water Reclamation Plant (PWRP). The plan will assess the wastewater treatment and effluent management needs of District No. 20 through the year 2025,

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Project Location

County Los Angeles
City Palmdale

Region

Cross Streets

Parcel No.

Township Range Section Base

Proximity to:

Highways

Airports

Railways

Waterways

Schools

Land Use

Project Issues Landuse; Agricultural Land; Archaeologic-Historic; Aesthetic/Visual; Biological Resources;

Traffic/Circulation; Water Quality; Geologic/Seismic; Air Quality; Noise; Public Services; Recreation/Parks; Population/Housing Balance; Toxic/Hazardous; Other Issues; Minerals;

Economics/Jobs

Reviewing Agencies Resources Agency; Department of Parks and Recreation; Department of Water Resources;

Department of Fish and Game, Region 5; Department of Health Services; Native American Heritage Commission; Caltrans, District 7; State Water Resources Control Board, Division of Loans and Grants;

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