



CITY OF ATASCADERO

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October 17, 2008

Roger Briggs
 Executive Officer
 Central Coast Regional
 Water Quality Control Board
 895 Aerovista Place
 San Luis Obispo, CA 93401

RE: Request for Storm Water Management Plan Adoption Time Line Extension

Dear Mr. Briggs,

I appreciated the opportunity to meet with your staff, Matt Thompson and David Innis on October 9, 2008, to discuss our concerns related to the City of Atascadero's Draft Storm Water Management Plan (SWMP). We are specifically concerned with the time frames for adoption and how it impacts our community's desire for public participation. The City of Atascadero is requesting an opportunity to conduct a SWMP public participation process, prior to submittal to the Water Board.

We want to work with you and your staff and we believe we have an opportunity to produce a comprehensive SWMP if more time is granted. We believe we need the extra time in order to provide information and provide an opportunity for our citizens to participate in the SWMP process. Therefore, in the interest of moving the plan forward we are proposing the following SWMP adoption schedule:

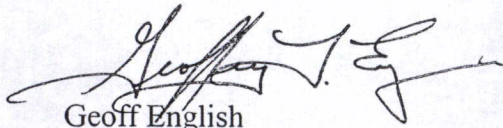
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| • Submit requested SWMP response timeline to RWQCB | October 17, 2008 |
| • Hire consultant to revise SWMP | October 24, 2008 |
| • Revise SWMP with evaluation of interim measures | December 1, 2008 |
| • Conduct Public Review process | January 2009 |
| • Prepare final draft SWMP | February 2009 |
| • City Council approve SWMP | February 24, 2009 |
| • Submit final draft SWMP to RWQCB | March 3, 2009 |

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As you can see, this schedule delays final draft submittal until March 3, 2009. We believe this proposed process will provide the City with the necessary time to develop a well-vetted plan that is mutually agreeable to the Water Board.

We look forward to getting your positive response and working with your staff to produce the best possible SWMP. In the meantime we are proceeding with the selection of a consultant to start our SWMP re-write. Should you have any questions you can reach me at (805) 470-3180.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Geoff English", with a stylized flourish at the end.

Geoff English
Interim Public Works Director
City of Atascadero

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