

City of Malibu

23825 Stuart Ranch Road ♦ Malibu, California ♦ 90265-4861
Phone (310) 456-2489 ♦ Fax (310) 456-3356 ♦ www.malibucity.org

April 28, 2017

Sent via Email to sunger@waterboards.ca.gov

Mr. Sam Unger, Executive Officer
California Regional Water Quality Control Board
Los Angeles Region
320 W. 4th Street, Suite 200
Los Angeles, CA 90013

RE: Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) Quarterly Progress Report
Malibu Civic Center Wastewater Treatment Plan

Dear Sam:

The following is the quarterly progress report for the Malibu Civic Center Wastewater Treatment Plan, which covers work activities performed on this project during the period between January 1, 2017 and March 31, 2017. To date, the City continues to make progress on all MOU Milestone requirements.

Below is a list of the work performed during the last quarter:

- Continue with major construction work to construct the facility's treatment plant, pipeline collection and reclaimed water systems, sewage pump stations, and the injection well systems.
- Staff held separate meetings with each property owner in the field to coordinate their service lateral tie-in locations.
- The City Council approved a sewer connection ordinance.
- The City Council commissioned a sewer rates study consultant.
- The City Council approved a firm to operate and maintain the treatment plant facility.
- The City Manager presented a project update to the Regional Water Quality Control Board who then approved the project's revised MOU.
- The City's water quality monitoring consultant, Rincon Consultants, continues to collect baseline background data for the project's Groundwater/Surface Water Monitoring Programs.

In general, the Malibu Civic Center Wastewater Treatment Facilities Project – Phase 1 is well into the construction phase. The treatment plant contractor continues to construct several of the plant's



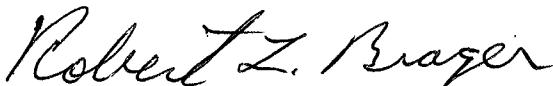
critical facilities including the influent pump station, headworks facilities, equalization basin, biological reactor, membrane facilities, operations building, odor control facilities, solids thickener and associated yard piping. The pipelines and pump stations contractor has performed approximately 75% of the pipelines trenching work while the injection wells contractor completed drilling of the exploratory injection wells, fabricated the well casings and screens, completed drilling of the final injection wells, and is now performing the final task of well development. Although the winter rain events have certainly impacted the project's overall construction schedule, at this time, notwithstanding any unforeseen circumstances, we are confident that the project is expected to be completed on time.

The City continues to implement the groundwater and surface water monitoring program as required by the project permits. The first quarter 2017 water monitoring report was recently completed and submitted to the RWQCB. Staff continues to also hold regular meetings with stakeholders, the City's Public Works Commission, and the City Council, as needed, to keep them informed of the progress of the project. A stakeholders meeting for property owners in the Phase 2 portion of the project is scheduled for next month on May 25, 2017.

As you can see, the City is still committed to working with the community, and the State and Regional Water Boards in a diligent effort towards the completion of the wastewater treatment facility for the Civic Center area. The City also recognizes and appreciates the Regional Board's help and cooperation with revising the MOU Phase 1, 2 and 3 milestone dates. Although the City still faces a monumental task in completing this project within the Regional Board's and revised MOU completion dates, we are very proud of the work we have accomplished thus far, and are fully committed to cooperatively working with the State and Regional Water Boards in making every effort to complete this highly complex and very expensive wastewater project within the time allowed.

If you have any questions, or require additional clarification, please do not hesitate to contact me at (310) 456-2489, extension 247, or bbrager@malibucity.org.

Sincerely,



Robert L. Brager, PE, JD
Public Works Director/City Engineer

cc: Mayor Peak and Honorable Members of the Malibu City Council
Reva Feldman, City Manager
Rob DuBoux, Esq, PE, Assist. Public Works Director/City Engineer
Bonnie Blue, Planning Director
Craig George, Environmental Sustainability Director/Building Official
Andrew Sheldon, Environment Sustainability Manager
Eric Wu, Ph.D., P.E., RWQCB
T. Don Tsai, Ph.D., RWQCB

