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**VIA CSM DROPBOX**

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Re: **CLAIMANTS' COMMENTS ON DRAFT EXPEDITED  
PARAMETERS AND GUIDELINES**

*California Regional Water Quality Control Board, Los Angeles  
Region, Order No. R4-2012-0175, 13-TC-01, and 13-TC-02*  
County of Los Angeles; Los Angeles County Flood Control District;  
and the Cities of Agoura Hills, Bellflower, Beverly Hills, Carson,  
Cerritos, Commerce, Downey, Huntington Park, Lakewood,  
Manhattan Beach, Norwalk, Pico Rivera, Rancho Palos Verdes,  
Redondo Beach, Santa Fe Springs, Signal Hills, South El Monte,  
Vernon, Westlake Village, and Whittier, Claimants

Dear Ms. Gmur:

Claimants hereby submit their comments on the Draft Expedited  
Parameters and Guidelines ("Draft Ps and Gs"):

**1. Page 3, Reimbursement Subsequent to January 1, 2018**

Page 3 of the Draft Ps and Gs includes the following paragraph:

"Reimbursement for these activities is denied beginning January  
1, 2018, because the claimants have fee authority sufficient as a matter  
of law to cover the costs of these activities pursuant to Government  
Code Section 17556(d) and, thus, there are no costs mandated by the  
state."

Claimants do not concede that they have fee authority as set for in this

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paragraph, and request its deletion, but acknowledge that the test claim decision contains this finding.

**2. Page 10, Section VII Offsetting Revenues and Reimbursements**

Page 10, Section VII, provides in pertinent part that:

"[O]ffsetting revenue or reimbursement includes the following:

Revenue from the Los Angeles Flood Control Act, which authorizes the Flood Control District to impose a fee or charge, in compliance with article XIII D of the California Constitution, to pay the costs and expenses of carrying out projects and providing services to improve water quality and reduce stormwater and urban runoff pollution in the District."

Claimants request that the Commission make clear that such offsetting revenues do not include proceeds of taxes, and therefore request that the Commission add to this section the bold, underlined wording:

"Offsetting revenue or reimbursement includes the following:

Revenue from the Los Angeles Flood Control Act, which authorizes the Flood Control District to impose a fee or charge, in compliance with article XIII D of the California Constitution, to pay the costs and expenses of carrying out projects and providing services to improve water quality and reduce stormwater and urban runoff pollution in the District, **but not proceeds of taxes.**"

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the foregoing is true and correct to the best of my personal knowledge, information, or belief.

Very truly yours,



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On December 31, 2025, I served the:

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- **Claimants' Comments on the Draft Expedited Parameters and Guidelines filed December 30, 2025**

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I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the foregoing is true and correct, and that this declaration was executed on December 31, 2025 at Sacramento, California.



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