Lompoc City Council Agenda Item

City Council Meeting Date: July 5, 2011

TO: Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council

FROM: Laurel M. Barcelona, City Administrator

Subject: STATUS REPORT ON CURRENT ACTIVITIES

1. Request for Time Extension of Public Comment Period for the Draft Phase II MS4 Permit.

The State Water Resources Control Board issued a Notice of Opportunity for Public Comment on June 7, 2011, pertaining to the new Draft NPDES Permit for Small Municipal Separate Storm Sewer Systems (Draft Permit). The Notice allows for a 62-day review period ending August 8, 2011. The draft permit is a revision of the current Phase II Municipal Stormwater Permit with which the City must comply.

On June 29, 2011, a letter requesting an extension of the comment period to allow an additional 60 days of review/comment time was sent to the Chair of the State Water Resources Control Board under the City Administrator's signature.

2. Participation in the Statewide Stormwater Coalition.

In response to the release of the Draft NPDES Permit for Small Municipal Separate Storm Sewer Systems, a group of local agency permittees have formed a coalition to address the proposed permit revisions and advocate for changes intended to reduce the permit revision's anticipated adverse impacts on the City, its residents and business owners.

On June 29, 2011, the City sent, via Email, and under the City Administrator's signature, a <u>letter requesting the City be added to the list of participants in the new Statewide Stormwater Coalition (SSC)</u>. The SSC member agencies plan to individually request an extension of the comment period, notify local business interests of the proposed changes in the draft permit which may affect them, and contact elected officials to express concerns regarding the Draft Permit.

Laurel M. Barcelona City Administrator

Attachments

