



## City of Manhattan Beach

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October 23, 2018

Chair Ridley-Thomas and Honorable Members  
of the County of Los Angeles Board of Supervisors  
Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration  
500 West Temple Street  
Los Angeles, CA 90012

RE: Support for Measure W – Safe Clean Water Program

Dear Honorable Supervisors:

On behalf of the City Council of the City of Manhattan Beach, I am writing to support Measure W, the Safe Clean Water Program, which the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors has placed before the voters on the November 6, 2018 ballot.

The City of Manhattan Beach recognizes the need to meet State regulations and the Federal Clean Water Act in order to improve water quality within our boundaries. The Los Angeles Regional Water Quality Control Board (Water Board) has promulgated 21 Total Maximum Daily Loads (TMDLs) regulating the discharges of trash, bacteria, nutrients, metals, toxic sediment, and other pollutants into the City's receiving waters and watersheds. The TMDLs have interim and final compliance milestones that require compliance over the next 25 years. Non-compliance with TMDL interim and final milestones will expose the City to third party lawsuits as well as fines and penalties from the State.

The goal of Measure W is to use the parcel tax to support multi-benefit stormwater projects and programs that improve water quality, increase water supply, and provide community benefits. Measure W will generate annual revenue of approximately \$300 million Countywide by implementing a special parcel tax of 2.5 cents per square foot of impermeable surface area on private property in the Los Angeles County Flood Control District. Approximately \$430,000 in revenue from Measure W will assist the City in meeting water quality compliance regulations through various projects and programs with an emphasis on implementing multi-benefit stormwater infrastructure. These projects will also provide local water supply, flood protection, address localized flooding, supporting access to local jobs and helping meet environmental justice objectives for the City.

Therefore, the City of Manhattan Beach firmly supports Measure W on the November 2018 ballot. We would like to thank you and express our appreciation for your efforts on placing this measure before the voters. Should you have any questions or would like follow-up information on this matter, please contact our City Manager, Bruce Moe at [bmoe@citymb.info](mailto:bmoe@citymb.info) or 310-802-5053.

Sincerely,

Steve Napolitano  
Mayor  
City of Manhattan Beach

cc:

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