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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 July 1, 2017 and September 30, 2017. To date, the City continues to make progress on all MOU Milestone requirements.

Below is a list of work activities 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 continues to hold separate meetings with Phase 1 property owners in the field to coordinate their service lateral tie-in locations.
- The City Council conducted a public hearing on September 11, 2017 and adopted Resolution No. 17-38 establishing the Civic Center Wastewater Treatment Facility wastewater and recycled water service charges for Fiscal Years FY 2017-18, FY 2018-19 and FY 2019-20.
- The City's water quality monitoring consultant, Rincon Consultants, continues to collect baseline background data for the project's Groundwater and Surface Water Monitoring Programs.
- Staff continues to provide regular updates of the project to the City Council.



- Staff held a public meeting with Phase 2 property owners to begin a dialogue regarding the development of the Phase 2 portion of the project.

The Malibu Civic Center Wastewater Treatment Facilities Project – Phase 1 is on its last phase of construction. The treatment plant contractor has received and is installing the plant's major equipment including the membrane filters, mechanical equipment, pumps, and electrical motor controls. Electrical workers are also pulling electrical conductor and communication wiring from the operations building to each plant facility such as the headworks facility, odor control building, biological reactors, and the solids thickener.

The pipelines and pump stations contractor has performed approximately 95% of the major pipeline work while the injection wells contractor has completed drilling, developing, and final testing of the three injection wells. Currently, the injection wells contract is considered substantially complete. The project's construction management team continues to work with all three prime contractors and their equipment suppliers to finalize a startup schedule for the project. Notwithstanding any unforeseen circumstances, we are anticipating to commence with clean-water plant startup by the end of the year. Also, we are very confident that the overall project is expected to be completed on time.

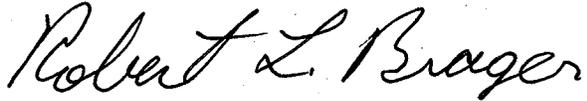
The City continues to implement the groundwater and surface water monitoring programs as required by the project permits. The third quarter 2017 water monitoring report was recently completed and submitted to the RWQCB. Staff continues to also hold regular meetings with stakeholders, the City's Public Works Commission, and the City Council, as needed, to keep them informed of the progress of the project. Staff has also provided site tours of the treatment plant to RWQCB staff. Staff continues to explore options with Phase 2 stakeholders and the RWQCB staff for project design approaches and funding opportunities.

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 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,



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