

Assessment of Program Effectiveness – La Puente

- A. The City of La Puente believes that it has complied with the requirements of Order 01-182 based on the preceding Annual Report. Where issues are unclear or ambiguous the City has made every attempt to comply with the best understanding of the permit. The City has not undertaken any formal evaluation to rank its compliance with permit mandates, however, the City is in communications with other agencies on a weekly basis and is satisfied that they are performing permit program objectives as well as other Permittees. The City's program does not have any aspect that overly strong or overly weak. The City has chosen to take the middle ground and perform the tasks as mandated by the permit and support the public participation program developed by Los Angeles County as the common widespread program that can reach more people than any program the City tried to develop. The SUSMP addresses the pollutants generated by parked vehicles and has a program to address trash and debris generated by the large group of High School students that are likely to use the facility. The Board asks about the most significant water quality improvement or degradation in your watershed. I cannot choose one that stands out, but most likely the Trash and Debris is the one pollutant that is being focused on within the watershed. The City will be dealing with catch basins during the next several years as directed by the Trash TMDL adopted by the Board. I would like to see a more directed SUSMP guidance document that could be distributed to the Engineering community so that the SUSMP documents become more consistent between jurisdictions.
- B. The City of La Puente would rate its level of compliance with Order 01-182 at 8. Several of the screening requirements were not met in an on time manner, but all required programs have been addressed by the City.
- C. Scrap the Annual report format contained in this permit and create a more informative document that asks about specific programs rather than a series of yes or no questions that by themselves do not accomplish anything.