NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY FOR PUBLIC REVIEW DRAFT Total Maximum Daily Loads (TMDLs) for Malibu Creek and Lagoon

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PURPOSE OF NOTICE

The United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) is soliciting public comments on the draft Total Maximum Daily Loads (TMDLs) for Malibu Creek and Lagoon. Malibu Creek and Lagoon are on California's list of polluted waters for the following impairments: sedimentation and benthic community impacts. In this TMDL, EPA also re-evaluated the 2003 EPA Established Malibu Creek Nutrient TMDL based on new information in the Watershed for nutrient data collected since 2003. Based on the new detailed data and analyses, EPA is proposing to revise the total nitrogen and total phosphorus concentration based allocations. Furthermore, USEPA is inviting comments on an alternative option to specifically address total phosphorus concentrations for areas draining the Modelo/Monterey formation in the Watershed.

Comments for the record must be submitted in writing on or before **January 23, 2013, 5pm**, to the address below to be considered in the final decision.

PUBLIC MEETING

A Public Meeting for the Malibu Creek and Lagoon TMDL will be held on Monday, January 14, 2013 from 1:30 pm – 3:30 pm at EPA Southern California Field Office, 600 Wilshire Blvd., Suite 1460, Los Angeles, CA 90017.

CONTACT INFORMATION AND COMMENT DEADLINE

The proposed TMDLs and Appendices are available on EPA's website: http://www.epa.gov/region09/water/tmdl/progress.html

Copies of the revised draft TMDLs are also available for public review at the Los Angeles Regional Water Quality Control Board, EPA Region IX Offices in San Francisco, the EPA Southern California Field Office, or by contacting:

Cindy Lin at (213) 244-1803 or lin.cindy@epa.gov

All interested persons wishing to submit comments on draft TMDL for EPA's consideration may do so in writing on or before <u>January 23, 2013, 5pm</u>, to Cindy Lin at the above email address. Paper copies may be submitted to:

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EPA will prepare a responsiveness summary to comments received during the extended public comment period. The responsiveness document will be available when the TMDLs are established at EPA's website above.