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Ms. Sue Hughes, Cochair  
Watershed Coalition of Ventura County  
County of Ventura  
800 South Victoria Avenue  
Ventura, CA 93009-1940

Dear Ms. Hughes:

### **ALLOCATION OF PROPOSITION 84 GRANT FUNDS**

On behalf of the Greater Los Angeles County Integrated Regional Water Management (IRWM) region, thank you for your letter of February 6, 2008, in response to our recommendation on how to allocate Proposition 84 funds.

We appreciate the differences in water resource issues and needs between the Ventura, Upper Santa Clara, and Greater Los Angeles IRWM regions. We also appreciate working with you to identify a methodology to allocate the Proposition 84 funds in a way that addresses the differences. However, after careful consideration of options, we still recommend that the allocation methodology be based on the initial funding precedent that established the allocations stated in the Proposition 84 bond, under which each recognized IRWM region within a funding area would receive a fixed-base allocation with the variable amount based on population within the established IRWM region.

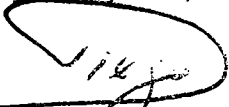
We encourage you to provide a proposal that we can then compare and contrast to our recommendation. We look forward to your proposal and future discussions on the water resource issues and needs of the regions.

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If you have any questions, please contact Mr. Diego Cadena at (626) 458-4008 or dcadena@dpw.lacounty.gov.

Very truly yours,



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Acting Chair, Leadership Committee, Greater Los Angeles County Region

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cc: Chief Executive Office (Lari Sheehan)  
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