

# CITY OF DANA POINT



DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

August 18, 2005

California Department of Water Resources  
Division of Planning and Local Assistance  
PO Box 942836  
Sacramento, CA 94236-0001

Attn: Traci Billington

The City of Dana Point thanks you for the opportunity to provide comments on the Step 2 Proposal Solicitation Package (PSP) for the Integrated Regional Water Management Grant Program, Proposition 50, Chapter 8. As a member of the South Orange County IRWMP we support the detailed comments of the lead agency of our group, the County of Orange. The overall concerns that the City of Dana Point have are as follows:

- **EXCESSIVE VOLUMES OF DATA AND INFORMATION REQUIREMENTS:** This is a grant program with the purpose of assisting local entities that are in need of funds to implement water supply and water quality projects that benefit the region for the next 20 plus years. The onerous task of preparing all the necessary project information without the funding to do so appears contradictory to the programs intent. The required data being requested for each of the projects and entities under Step 2 is overwhelming and unprecedented.
- **EXCESSIVE ECONOMIC ANALYSIS:** The economic analysis is very onerous because each project included in the suite of proposed projects must be rolled into one economic analysis, which will prove challenging since each project is likely at a different stage in development. There is also concern as to how to adequately demonstrate economic benefits of water quality projects.

We encourage you to carefully consider the detailed comments of the lead agency for the South Orange County IRWMP, the County of Orange. We look forward to a more streamlined process that saves unnecessary costs to the local project proponents and the state while meeting the intent of Prop 50 Chapter 8.

Respectfully,

Lisa G. Zawaski  
City of Dana Point Water Quality Engineer  
949-248-3584, [waterquality@danapoint.org](mailto:waterquality@danapoint.org)