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Ms. Jo-Anne Burns  
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City of West Covina  
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Dear Ms. Burns:

**Comment Letter for City of West Covina**  
**2021-2029 Housing Element Update**

This is in reply to your notice, which was received by the Los Angeles County Sanitation Districts (Districts) on May 14, 2021. The City of West Covina (City) is located within the jurisdictional boundaries of Districts Nos. 15, 21 and 22. We offer the following comments regarding sewerage service:

1. The Districts own, operate, and maintain the large trunk sewers that form the backbone of the regional wastewater conveyance system. Local collector and/or lateral sewer lines are the responsibility of the jurisdiction in which they are located. As such, the Districts cannot comment on any deficiencies in the sewerage system in the City except to state that presently no deficiencies exist in Districts' facilities that serve the City. For information on deficiencies in the City sewerage system, please contact the City Department of Public Works and/or the Los Angeles County Department of Public Works.
2. The Districts should review individual developments within the City to determine whether or not sufficient trunk sewer capacity exists to serve each project and if Districts' facilities will be affected by the project.
3. The wastewater generated by the City is treated at one or more of the following: the Joint Water Pollution Control Plant located in the City of Carson, which has a capacity of 400 million gallon per day (mgd) and currently processes an average flow of 259.6 mgd; the San Jose Creek Water Reclamation Plant (WRP) located adjacent to the City of Industry, which has a capacity of 100 mgd and currently processes an average flow of 66.9 mgd; the Whittier Narrows WRP located near the City of South El Monte, which has a capacity of 15 mgd and currently processes an average flow of 9.9 mgd; and/or the Los Coyotes WRP located in the City of Cerritos, which has a capacity of 37.5 mgd and currently processes an average flow of 21.3 mgd.
4. In order to estimate the volume of wastewater a project will generate, go to [www.lacsd.org](http://www.lacsd.org), under Services, then Wastewater Program and Permits, select Will Serve Program, and scroll down to click on the [Table 1, Loadings for Each Class of Land Use](#) link for a copy of the Districts' average wastewater generation factors.
5. The Districts are empowered by the California Health and Safety Code to charge a fee to connect facilities (directly or indirectly) to the Districts' Sewerage System or to increase the strength or quantity of wastewater discharged from connected facilities. This connection fee is a capital facilities fee that is used by the Districts to upgrade or expand the Sewerage System. Payment of a connection fee may be required before a project is permitted to discharge to the Districts' Sewerage System. For more information and a

copy of the Connection Fee Information Sheet, go to [www.lacsd.org](http://www.lacsd.org), under Services, then Wastewater (Sewage) and select Rates & Fees. In determining the impact to the Sewerage System and applicable connection fees, the Districts will determine the user category (e.g. Condominium, Single Family home, etc.) that best represents the actual or anticipated use of the parcel(s) or facilities on the parcel(s) in the development. For more specific information regarding the connection fee application procedure and fees, the developer should contact the Districts' Wastewater Fee Public Counter at (562) 908-4288, extension 2727.

6. In order for the Districts to conform to the requirements of the Federal Clean Air Act (CAA), the capacities of the Districts' wastewater treatment facilities are based on the regional growth forecast adopted by the Southern California Association of Governments (SCAG). Specific policies included in the development of the SCAG regional growth forecast are incorporated into clean air plans, which are prepared by the South Coast and Antelope Valley Air Quality Management Districts in order to improve air quality in the South Coast and Mojave Desert Air Basins as mandated by the CCA. All expansions of Districts' facilities must be sized and service phased in a manner that will be consistent with the SCAG regional growth forecast for the counties of Los Angeles, Orange, San Bernardino, Riverside, Ventura, and Imperial. The available capacity of the Districts' treatment facilities will, therefore, be limited to levels associated with the approved growth identified by SCAG.

If you have any questions, please contact the undersigned at (562) 908-4288, extension 2717 or at [araza@lacsd.org](mailto:araza@lacsd.org).

Very truly yours,



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