

PARTNER STATEMENTS

Guidelines for Alternate Water Sources – Indoor and Outdoor Non-Potable Uses (aka Matrix 2.0)

City of Los Angeles Bureau of Sanitation

"Matrix 2.0 is a continuation of our ongoing efforts aimed at harvesting and using stormwater as a resource towards building a sustainable water supply in Los Angeles. We at LA Sanitation are proud to work with our partners across Los Angeles County in protecting public health and promoting a cleaner environment."

Adel H. Hagekhalil
Assistant Director

City of Santa Monica Office of Sustainability and the Environment

"The City of Santa Monica has a Sustainable Water Master Plan to get our city to local water self-sufficiency by 2020. This Matrix is an important standard and step toward helping us achieve this goal. More widely, onsite rain harvesting eliminates stormwater, which carries pollution to Santa Monica Bay; and helps all our cities meet Clean Water Act requirements of the NPDES permit. This strategy is especially important for our new Permit, which includes Enhanced Watershed Management Plans that emphasize the use of Low Impact Development solutions, working with nature to keep rain local for beneficial uses."

Neal Shapiro
Supervisor, Watershed Section

Los Angeles County Department of Public Health

"The Department of Public Health supports the safe use of Alternate Water Sources (AWS) and with the publication of these *Guidelines* we want to change the conversation from 'Will you allow the use of AWS on this project?' to 'How can we safely use AWS on this project?'"

Terri Williams
Acting Director of Environmental Health



Heal the Bay

"Heal the Bay is excited about the release of the County's new Guidelines for Alternate Water Sources. In order for the LA region to be more resilient, we have to start maximizing our local water sources. By supporting residents and businesses who are interested in more efficient onsite water use, the County is helping our region take a major step towards creating a sustainable water future."

Rita Kampalath
Science and Policy Director

Natural Resources Defense Council

"As California endures the fourth year of the worst drought in modern times, the need to make the most of our precious drinking water has never been more apparent. In order for Los Angeles to be truly drought resilient and locally sustainable, we need to do a much better job of capturing and reusing rainwater and graywater in our homes and businesses. The Guidelines for Alternate Water Sources is an important tool that simplifies what has historically been a confusing and time-consuming process of determining how to safely and legally reuse these critical alternative supplies."

Tracy Quinn
Senior Policy Analyst

TreePeople

"Decentralized, on-site capture of rainwater and re-use of graywater and even of wastewater means potential cost savings to governments and agencies -- as well as to households. It also creates long-term drought and flood resilience and shared stewardship of this precious resource—our water. Everyone can be a water manager, as demonstrated by Australians during the Millennium Drought."

Andy Lipkis
President and Founder

