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Brief Summary: The Atwater Village Neighborhood Council submits the following Community Impact Statement in favor of city agencies utilizing and encouraging the utilization of the "Watershed Approach" when supporting landscape transformations.

Additional Information: Additional Information: The "Watershed Approach" is preferable because it helps to infiltrate water, filter pollution, recharge groundwater, mitigate flood events, cool communities, enhance biodiversity, and sequester carbon. The watershed approach, simply adds rainwater capture to the existing turf removal rebate program. Directing rainwater into a shallow basin or swale, or tank, is achievable and affordable everywhere.



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Council File 15-0768
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Los Angeles City Hall
200 North Spring Street, Room 395
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COMMUNITY IMPACT STATEMENT

This Community Impact Statement is based on the action taken at the regularly scheduled Board of Governors meeting on September 10, 2015; the Atwater Village Neighborhood Council has adopted the following motion by a vote of 8 yes, 4 no, 2 abstention, and has directed that this Community Impact Statement be filed with the City Clerk’s office reflecting its position.

The Atwater Village Neighborhood Council supports Councilmember Koretz and Krekorian’s “Watershed Approach” motion (CF 15-0768). The “Watershed Approach” is preferable because it helps to infiltrate water, filter pollution, recharge groundwater, mitigate flood events, cool communities, enhance biodiversity, and sequester carbon. The watershed approach, simply adds rainwater capture to the existing turf removal rebate program. Directing rainwater into a shallow basin or swale, or tank, is achievable and affordable everywhere. This is an essential strategy for a healthy and sustainable Los Angeles.

Motion by Torin Dunnivant: “I move that the AVNC approve a Community Impact Statement in favor of Council File 15-0768 which compels city agencies to utilize and encourage the utilization of the “Watershed Approach” when supporting landscape transformations.

Seconded by: Larry Hafetz