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San Dieguito River

Watershed Management Area

Water Quality Improvement Plan

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Executive Summary

Water Quality Improvement Plan for the San Dieguito River Watershed Management Area

The Water Quality Improvement Plan proposes a comprehensive watershed-based program to improve surface water quality in the San Dieguito River Watershed Management Area (WMA), in receiving waters in the San Dieguito River, and at nearby beaches. The Water Quality Improvement Plan implements the Federal Clean Water Act's objectives to protect, preserve, enhance, and restore water quality for beneficial recreational, wildlife, and other uses.



The San Dieguito River WMA encompasses 346 square miles of undeveloped open spaces and urban residential areas, draining into San Dieguito Lagoon before ultimately meeting with the Pacific Ocean.

The San Dieguito River WMA encompasses almost 346 square miles of urban land and undeveloped open space extending from San Dieguito Lagoon in the west to Volcan Mountains in the east. The WMA includes Del Mar, Solana Beach, Fairbanks Ranch, Rancho Peñasquitos, Rancho Bernardo, Del Dios, Poway, San Pasqual, Ramona, and Santa Ysabel. Small creeks drain downstream into the San Dieguito River, then into the San Dieguito Lagoon, and finally into the Pacific Ocean (Figure ES-1, next page).

The Water Quality Improvement Plan Process

The Water Quality Improvement Plan identifies goals and strategies to correct impairments in the quality of urban runoff waters. These improvements to water quality are achieved through the consistent process of evaluation, goal setting, and monitoring and reporting, according to the following process:



Step (1) determines the priority and highest priority water quality conditions that pose the highest threat to water quality in the affected waterbodies in the WMA (e.g., a creek or bay) based on evidence showing that a waterbody may be polluted by runoff from the municipal separate storm sewer system (MS4). Step (2) identifies the sources of pollution of the highest priority water quality conditions. Step (3) formulates goals, strategies, and schedules to address the highest priority water quality conditions. As part of this step, the City of San Diego estimated the projected funding needs to implement the jurisdictional strategies needed to achieve the goals identified.

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The final three steps of the Water Quality Improvement Plan are designed to evaluate the progress made in addressing the priority and highest priority water quality conditions. Step (4) provides ongoing monitoring and assessment to evaluate the overall progress made in the WMA, including success in meeting the goals identified for the highest priority water quality conditions. Step (5) updates the Water Quality Improvement Plan through an Adaptive Management Process, which can entail adjustments to goals and strategies, as needed, to increase effectiveness. Step (6) reports on the findings of the assessments, along with any adjustments to the Water Quality Improvement Plan. Through these steps, the Water Quality Improvement Plan provides a long-term program to measurably improve overall water quality within the San Dieguito River WMA.

Highest Priority Water Quality Conditions and Solutions

The Water Quality Improvement Plan identifies the following conditions/pollutants as highest priorities within the San Dieguito River WMA:

- ❖ Bacteria accumulations along the Pacific Ocean at the San Dieguito Lagoon Mouth from areas above Lake Hodges when rainfall causes the Lake Hodges dam to overflow.
- ❖ Bacteria accumulations along the Pacific Ocean at the San Dieguito Lagoon Mouth as measured during both wet and dry weather.

Both structural and nonstructural solutions and strategies to address these conditions/pollutants are included in the Water Quality Improvement Plan and include the following:

Nonstructural strategies such as outreach programs and site design guidelines, mandating better storm water controls, are intended as the preferred first step for addressing the highest priorities because of their relatively lower costs to implement. These solutions do not involve construction or implementation of a physical structure to filter and treat storm water, to prevent pollution.

Structural strategies, which are solutions physically constructed to address water quality conditions, are intended for distribution as needed and possible throughout the WMA. These built facilities remove pollutants through a variety of chemical, physical, and biological processes, including filtration and infiltration.

Water Quality Improvement Goals, Strategies, and Schedules

To address the highest priorities within the San Dieguito River WMA, this Water Quality Improvement Plan includes the following goals, strategies, and schedules to improve water quality:

Goals

- ❖ Prevent further degradation of water quality in the San Dieguito River WMA and subwatersheds to protect creeks and beaches from pollution.
- ❖ Reduce bacteria levels at the Pacific Shoreline (by FY 2021 for dry weather and by FY 2031 for wet weather).

Strategies

Ongoing:

- ❖ Implement watershed-specific water conservation programs, including expansion of public education and outreach programs, and the addition of Water\$mart irrigation systems, weather-based irrigation controllers, rotating sprinkler nozzles, soil moisture sensor systems, rain barrels, and turf removal.
- ❖ Collaborate with the 22nd District Agricultural Association on water quality issues (City of Del Mar).
- ❖ Expand public outreach to educate homeowners and community groups about the Water Quality Improvement Plan's requirements and to share information about incentives.
- ❖ Restore, maintain, and install new best management practices (BMPs) throughout the WMA to remove pollutants before they enter the waterways, including developing a Green Infrastructure Policy in the City of San Diego.
- ❖ Proactively work to replace sewer infrastructure to prevent potential sanitary sewer leaks in the City of Solana Beach.
- ❖ Collaborate with Lake Hodges stakeholders to find solutions to water quality issues within the lake.

By FY 2016:

- ❖ Promote water conservation and other environmental control efforts throughout the WMA.
- ❖ Implement enhanced inspection programs to identify and diminish pollutant sources.
- ❖ Continue collaboration with other agencies in the WMA.

- ❖ Expand outreach to homeowners associations to engage planned communities in water quality improvements and pollution efforts.
- ❖ Begin construction on the Del Mar Heights Road Median Project.
- ❖ Conduct frequent inspections of storm water outfalls to eliminate flow during dry weather periods, thus eliminating pollutant loading and sediment transport.
- ❖ Maintain Eagle Scout Lake to restore its water quality function (completed).

By FY 2017:

- ❖ Collaborate with the City of San Diego Public Utilities Department on Lake Hodges source investigations.
- ❖ Increase the frequency of street sweeping for highly trafficked roadways.

Beyond FY 2018:

- ❖ Build two green infrastructure BMPs.
- ❖ Divert dry weather flows to the sanitary sewer near Seascape Sur in Solana Beach.

Public Participation and Outreach

The development of the Water Quality Improvement Plan included substantial input from stakeholders and community leaders throughout the San Dieguito River WMA. This outreach included formation of a Consultation Committee consisting of representatives from community organizations, neighborhood groups, and businesses sharing a commitment to improve water quality. Future public input from the Consultation Committee and the general public will be considered during updates to the Water Quality Improvement Plan.

How to Stay Involved

Any questions, comments, and requests for more information regarding the Water Quality Improvement Plan may be submitted via email to Karina Danek at KDanek@sanidiego.gov.

In addition, once the Water Quality Improvement Plan is submitted to the Regional Water Quality Control Board (Regional Board), comments will be formally collected by Regional Board staff during the 30-day comment period. More information is available on the Regional Board's website: www.waterboards.ca.gov.

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Acronyms and Abbreviations

Acronym or Abbreviation	Definition
%	percent
303(d)	Clean Water Act Section 303(d) list of impaired waters
AB	(California) Assembly Bill
AB 411	Beach Safety Act
Ag Waiver	Conditional Waiver of Discharges from Agricultural and Nursery Operations
AGR	Agricultural Supply (beneficial use)
ASBS	Area of Special Biological Significance
Bacteria TMDL	San Diego Regional Water Quality Control Board Resolution Number R9-2010-0001, <i>Revised TMDL for Indicator Bacteria, Project I – Twenty Beaches and Creeks in the San Diego Region (Including Tecolote Creek)</i>
Basin Plan	<i>Water Quality Control Plan for the San Diego Basin</i>
Bight '13	Southern California Bight 2013 Regional Monitoring Survey
BIOL	Preservation of Biological Habitats of Special Significance (beneficial use)
BMI	benthic macroinvertebrates
BMP	best management practice
BOA	Business Owners Association
BOD	biological oxygen demand
Caltrans	California Department of Transportation
CCTV	closed-circuit television
CEDEN	California Environmental Data Exchange Network
City	City of San Diego
CLRP	Comprehensive Load Reduction Plan
Consultation Committee	Water Quality Improvement Plan Consultation Committee

Acronyms and Abbreviations (continued)

Acronym or Abbreviation	Definition
Copermittee	Operator of a municipal separate storm sewer system in San Diego County that is party to the MS4 Permit
CRAM	California Rapid Assessment Method
CWA	Clean Water Act
CWP	Clean Water Program
DAA	District Agricultural Association
DEH	(County) Department of Environmental Health
DPW	Department of Public Works
DSD	City of San Diego Development Services Department
<i>E. coli</i>	<i>Escherichia coli</i>
EP Div	(Escondido) Environmental Programs Division
FIB	fecal indicator bacteria
FOG	fats, oils and grease
FY	FY
GIS	geographic information system
HMP	Hydromodification Management Plan
HOA	Home Owners Association
HPWQC	Highest Priority Water Quality Condition
HU	hydrological unit
IBI	Index of Biological Integrity
IC/ID	illicit connection and/or illicit discharge
IDDE	illicit discharge detection and elimination
IRWM	Integrated Regional Water Management
JPA	Joint Powers Authority

Acronyms and Abbreviations (continued)

Acronym or Abbreviation	Definition
JRMP	Jurisdictional Runoff Management Program (2013 MS4 Permit)
JURMP	Jurisdictional Urban Runoff Management Program (2007 MS4 Permit)
LID	low-impact development
LTEA	Long-Term Effectiveness Assessment
MEP	maximum extent practicable
MLS	mass loading station
MPN	most probable number
MS4	municipal separate storm sewer system
MS4 Permit	San Diego Regional Water Quality Control Board Order Number R9-2013-0001, <i>National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) Permit and Waste Discharge Requirements for Discharges from the Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System (MS4) Draining the Watersheds Within the San Diego Region</i>
MST	microbial source tracking
MUN	Municipal and Domestic Supply (beneficial use)
MWD	Metropolitan Water District of Southern California
NA	not applicable or not available
NAL	non-storm water action level
NCC	North Coast Corridor
NCTD	North County Transit District
NIH	National Institutes of Health
NLCD	National Land Cover Database
Non-MS4	Non-Phase I MS4s
NPDES	National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System

Acronyms and Abbreviations (continued)

Acronym or Abbreviation	Definition
NRCS	Natural Resources Conservation Service
O&G	oil and grease
OAL	California Office of Administrative Law
PCP	pentachlorophenol
PDP	priority development project
PFC	permeable friction course
PGA	pollutant-generating activity
pH	measure of hydrogen ion
Porter-Cologne	Porter-Cologne Water Quality Control Act
POTW	publicly owned treatment works
PUD	(City of San Diego) Public Utilities Department
PWD	(City of San Diego) Public Works Department
PWQC	Priority Water Quality Condition
REC-1	Contact Water Recreation (beneficial use)
Regional Board	San Diego Regional Water Quality Control Board
Responsible Agency	Responsible Agencies include parties subject to the Bacteria TMDL and participating in this Water Quality Improvement Plan, specifically the Copermittees in the San Dieguito River WMA
Restoration Project	San Dieguito Wetland Restoration Project
ROWD	Report of Waste Discharge
RWL	Receiving Water Limitation
SAL	storm water action level
SANDAG	San Diego Association of Governments
SCCWRP	Southern California Coastal Water Research Project
SCE	Southern California Edison

Acronyms and Abbreviations (continued)

Acronym or Abbreviation	Definition
SDC-MLS	San Dieguito Mass Loading Station
SDCWA	San Diego County Water Authority
SDG&E	San Diego Gas & Electric
SDRP	San Dieguito River Park
Sediment Control Plan	Water Quality Control Plan for Enclosed Bays and Estuaries of California – Part I Sediment Quality
SFID	Santa Fe Irrigation District
SHELL	Shellfish Harvesting (beneficial use)
SMARTS	Storm Water Multiple Application and Report Tracking System
SMC	Southern California Stormwater Monitoring Coalition
SMC Regional Bioassessment Program	SMC Regional Freshwater Stream Bioassessment Monitoring Program
SONGS	San Onofre Nuclear Generating Station
SOP	standard operating procedure
SQO	Sediment Quality Objective
SSID	stressor/source identification
State	State of California
State Board	State Water Resources Control Board
SUSMP	Standard Urban Storm Water Mitigation Plan
SWAMP	Surface Water Ambient Monitoring Program
SWMP	Storm Water Management Plan
SWPPP	Storm Water Pollution Prevention Plan
T&SW	(City of San Diego) Transportation and Storm Water Department
TBD	to be determined

Acronyms and Abbreviations (continued)

Acronym or Abbreviation	Definition
TDS	total dissolved solids
TIE	toxicity identification evaluation
TMDL	total maximum daily load
TRE	toxicity reduction evaluation
TSS	total suspended solids
TWAS	temporary watershed assessment station
USEPA	United States Environmental Protection Agency
USGS	U.S. Geological Survey
WARM	Warm Freshwater Habitat (beneficial use)
WMA	Watershed Management Area
WMAA	Watershed Management Area Analysis
WMP	Watershed Management Plan
WPP	Watershed Protection Program
WQBEL	water quality-based effluent limits
WQIP	Water Quality Improvement Plan
WQO	water quality objective
WRI	World Resources Institute
WURMP	Watershed Urban Runoff Management Program

1 Introduction

Local government agencies work hard to protect water quality throughout the San Diego region. New regulations along with existing environmental protections create the need for new plans and programs that will address concerns about pollution in local rivers, streams, and other waterways leading to the ocean. Local agencies worked to develop Water Quality Improvement Plans that will help protect and improve the quality of waters in each community of San Diego. These plans address protections in what are known as Watershed Management Areas. A Watershed Management Area (WMA) includes the lands, stream systems, and other tributaries draining to a specific ocean or bay shoreline (or other receiving water). This document is the Water Quality Improvement Plan for the San Dieguito River WMA.

The San Dieguito River WMA is a 346-square-mile portion of central San Diego County encompassing a wide range of terrains and population densities. It includes three distinct hydrologic areas draining to the San Dieguito Lagoon and ultimately the Pacific Ocean. Six local agencies share jurisdictional authority in this WMA and worked collaboratively to prepare this Water Quality Improvement Plan.

Water Quality Improvement Plans are required for each WMA under regulations adopted by the San Diego Regional Water Quality Control Board (Regional Board). The plans address only water flows and discharges from the storm drain systems maintained by the local agencies sharing authority in each area. Other discharges and sources of pollution are considered in the plan to the extent that they affect conditions in the storm drain system.

Following the passage of the Federal Clean Water Act (CWA) in 1972, surface water quality throughout the United States has

Section 1 Highlights

- ❖ This Water Quality Improvement Plan helps to protect and improve waters in the San Dieguito River Watershed Management Area.
- ❖ The plan specifically addresses conditions within storm water systems and receiving waters of this area.
- ❖ San Dieguito River WMA = 346 square miles
- ❖ Main Subwatersheds:
 - San Dieguito River Above Sutherland Reservoir
 - San Dieguito River Above Lake Hodges
 - San Dieguito River Below Lake Hodges
- ❖ Responsible Agencies:
 - City of Del Mar
 - City of Escondido
 - City of Poway
 - City of San Diego
 - City of Solana Beach
 - County of San Diego
- ❖ Other Discharge Impacts:
 - Phase II Permittees – San Diego County Fairgrounds and North County Transit District
 - California Department of Transportation (Caltrans)
 - Construction General Permits
 - Industrial General Permits
 - Federal/State Lands
 - Agricultural Lands

improved substantially. However, poor water quality still impairs some beneficial uses of surface waters in the San Dieguito River WMA. Beneficial uses are “the uses of water necessary for the survival or well-being of man, plants, and wildlife” (Regional Board, 1994).

1.1 Jurisdiction and Responsibilities

The Water Quality Improvement Plan outlines a framework to improve the surface water quality in the San Dieguito River WMA by identifying, prioritizing, and addressing impairments related to urban runoff discharges. On May 8, 2013, the San Diego Regional Water Quality Control Board adopted Order Number R9-2013-0001, *National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) Permit and Waste Discharge Requirements for Discharges from the Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System (MS4) Draining the Watersheds Within the San Diego Region* (MS4 Permit), establishing requirements for discharges from MS4s in the San Diego region. On February 11, 2015, the Regional Board adopted Order Number R9-2015-0001 amending the MS4 Permit. The amended MS4 Permit became effective on April 1, 2015.

The MS4 Permit affects local municipal agencies, including those with jurisdictional responsibilities in the San Dieguito River WMA. As defined in the MS4 Permit, a permittee to an NPDES permit is responsible only for permit conditions relating to the discharges for which it is an operator. In the case of the MS4 Permit, this responsibility includes discharges from Copermittees (jurisdictions party to the MS4 Permit) in the San Diego region. The San Diego County Copermittees are listed in Table 1a of the MS4 Permit and the Copermittees with jurisdictional area within the San Dieguito River WMA are as follows:

- ❖ City of Del Mar
- ❖ City of Escondido
- ❖ City of Poway
- ❖ City of San Diego
- ❖ City of Solana Beach
- ❖ County of San Diego

Each Copermittee must comply with the MS4 discharge prohibitions and receiving water limitations outlined in the MS4 Permit through timely implementation of control measures, other actions specified in the MS4 Permit, and adherence to this Water Quality Improvement Plan. Copermittees are also referred to as Responsible Agencies within the Water Quality Improvement Plan.

The San Dieguito River WMA also includes land areas and MS4s that are owned and operated by parties other than the Copermittees or that are regulated by separate NPDES permits.

Discharges from non-municipal sources and activities (e.g., runoff from agriculture and industrial land uses, federal and state facilities, and the California Department of Transportation [Caltrans]), and discharges from Phase II storm water permittees (small MS4s) are regulated separately. For example, facilities designated as Phase II permittees are regulated under the Phase II General Permit (State Water Resources Control Board [State Board] Order No. 2013-0001-DWQ). Phase II permittees in the San Dieguito River WMA include the 22nd District Agricultural Association (DAA) and the North County Transit District. In California, industrial and construction activities are regulated under the General Industrial Permit (State Board Order No. 2014-0057-DWQ) (State Board, 2014) and the General Construction Permit (State Board Order No. 2012-0006-DWQ) (State Board, 2012a). Finally, conditional waivers that remove the need to file a report of waste discharge and that avoid coverage under the NPDES permit program are given to activities such as agriculture and nursery operations, onsite disposal systems, silvicultural operations, and animal operations. Recently, draft general water discharge requirements for commercial agricultural and nursery operations were released for public review. The tentative draft order may be finalized during the development of this Water Quality Improvement Plan, affecting the ways in which discharges from commercial agricultural and nursery operations are managed.

Under this regulatory framework, there are two general areas of storm water management responsibilities: (1) jurisdictional inspection and oversight (such as education, enforcement, and other Illicit Discharge Detection and Elimination (IDDE) activities), as described in the Jurisdictional Runoff Management Programs (JRMPs) in the MS4 Permit, and (2) control of pollutant discharges.

- (1) The San Dieguito River WMA Copermittees require minimum Best Management Practices (BMPs) and have inspection responsibilities over all lands within their jurisdictional boundaries (including industrial lands and construction sites), except for NPDES Phase II, agricultural, state, federal, Caltrans, and Indian reservation lands. The United States Environmental Protection Agency (USEPA), State Board, and Regional Board are responsible for inspections of Phase II, agricultural, state, federal, and Indian reservation lands. Caltrans is subject to its own State of California (State)-issued MS4 Permit. In addition, the USEPA, State Board, and Regional Board have dual permitting and oversight responsibilities over industrial lands and construction sites.

Copermittees do have limited regulatory oversight over industrial lands, construction sites, Phase II MS4s, and agricultural, state, federal, and Indian reservation lands. For example, the Copermittees implement IDDE activities to identify, investigate, and enforce discharges to their MS4s. Discharges to receiving waters from non-municipal sources and activities (e.g., runoff from agriculture and industrial land uses, federal and state facilities, Caltrans, and Phase II storm water permittees) are not regulated or controlled by the Copermittees when they do not enter a MS4. Accordingly, the scope of the Water Quality Improvement Plan is limited to the regulatory oversight of the Copermittees specified above.

(2) In regard to controlling pollutant discharges, various NPDES permits or conditional waivers regulate storm water and non-storm water discharges within the San Dieguito River WMA, as shown in Figure 1-1. The Copermittees are responsible for controlling pollutant discharges from lands within their jurisdictional boundaries, except for agriculture and industrial land uses, federal and state facilities, Caltrans, and Phase II storm water permittees. The Copermittees do not have regulatory authority under the MS4 Permit to require entities regulated by other permits issued by the USEPA, State Board, or Regional Board to implement and/or construct BMPs to treat wet/dry weather pollutant discharges originating from their properties, facilities, and/or activities. However, the MS4 Permit requires the Copermittees to control pollutants originating from Non-Phase I MS4s (Non-MS4) or non-municipal lands if those pollutants ultimately discharge into the MS4. Therefore, the Copermittees recognize the need to collaborate with and improve communication between non-municipal entities within the WMA and the appropriate regulatory agencies to ensure discharges are appropriately regulated before entering the MS4, and to improve water quality throughout the San Dieguito River WMA.

To help identify non-municipal sources, the Copermittees are participating in special source identification studies to determine potential sources (including non-municipal sources) of pollutants entering the MS4; these studies are presented in Section 5.

Currently, some of the Copermittees are pursuing a subvention of funds from the State to pay for certain activities required by the 2007 MS4 Permit, including activities that require Copermittees to perform activities outside their jurisdictional boundaries and on a regional or watershed basis. Nothing in this Water Quality Improvement Plan should be viewed as a waiver of those claims or as a waiver of the rights of Copermittees to pursue a subvention of funds from the State to pay for certain activities required by the 2013 MS4 Permit, including the preparation and implementation of the Water Quality Improvement Plan. In addition, several Copermittees have filed petitions with the State Board challenging the requirement to prepare Water Quality Improvement Plans that are not voluntary and that are not linked to a receiving water limitations language compliance path. Nothing in this Water Quality Improvement Plan should be viewed as a waiver of those claims. Because the State Board has not issued a stay of the 2013 MS4 Permit, Copermittees must comply with the MS4 Permit's requirements while the State Board process is pending.

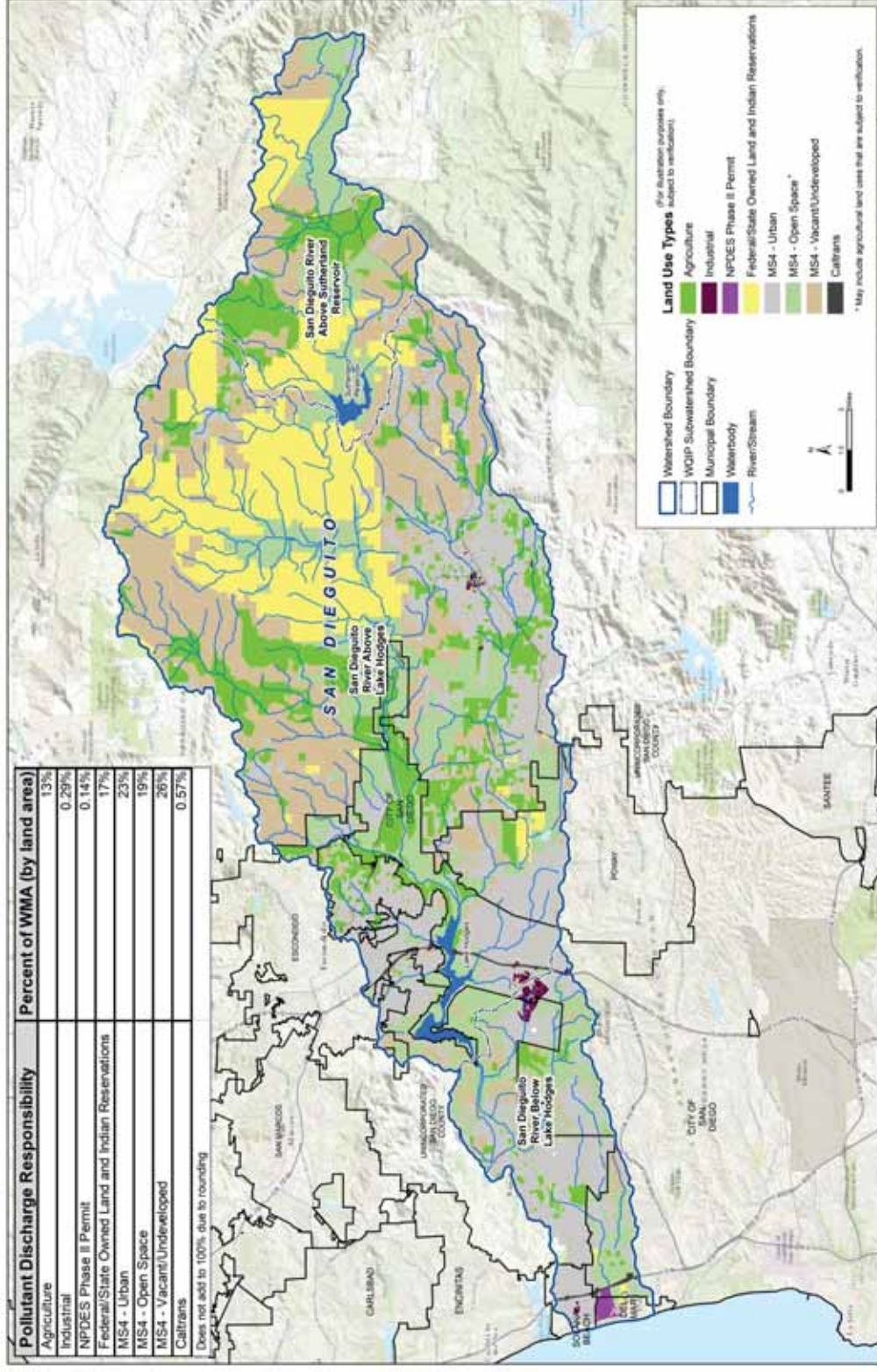


Figure 1-1
San Diego River WMA
Pollutant Discharge Responsibilities

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1.2 Regulatory Background

In 1972, the CWA amended the Federal Water Pollution Control Act, providing the mechanism for regulating discharges to waters of the United States through the NPDES permit program. The CWA requires appropriate NPDES permits for specific types of discharges (e.g., municipal and industrial storm water) to surface waters of the United States. Individual states may administer the federal law through their own legislation, in addition to regulating other types of discharges, such as discharges to land and irrigated agriculture.

California passed the Porter-Cologne Water Quality Control Act (Porter-Cologne) to control water pollution in 1969 (prior to the CWA), and has since amended it to comply with and implement the CWA. Porter-Cologne gave the State Board and the nine Regional Water Quality Control Boards the authority to regulate discharges to waters of the state (which include all waters of the United States) and to issue NPDES permits.

The jurisdictions of the nine Regional Water Quality Control Boards correspond to nine large watershed areas across the state, which are referred to as basins. These basins are delineated using topographical maps surveyed by the United States Geological Survey and are further subdivided into (smaller) watersheds and subwatersheds. The water quality standards, including the beneficial uses and water quality objectives, for each basin are detailed in the Water Quality Control Plan (Basin Plan) for each region. For the San Diego region (Region 9), the Basin Plan was adopted in 1994 and has been amended several times since. The San Dieguito River WMA is one of ten watersheds (otherwise referred to as WMAs) within the San Diego Basin and is regulated by the Regional Board using its authority under Porter-Cologne in conjunction with the water quality standards described in the Basin Plan.

For approximately 20 years after the CWA's passage, NPDES permits were primarily issued to wastewater and industrial facilities (such as publicly owned treatment works [POTW], paper mills, and power plants) that discharged waste to natural surface waters as part of their operations. These regulations substantially improved surface water quality throughout the country. However, many waterbodies still suffer from suboptimal water quality, and their benefits (termed "beneficial uses" in the CWA) were not always attained.

The pathways by which pollutants can enter waters of the state are not limited to wastewater discharging from a pipe. In the early 1990s, the California Regional Water Quality Control Boards began to issue NPDES permits to municipalities and other agencies that discharge water via a storm drain system, identified as an MS4. The MS4s, which are systems of conveyances that may include the storm drains and flood control structures associated with land development, are primarily owned and operated by municipalities. MS4s are distinguished from combined sewers, which direct storm drain flows to a wastewater treatment plant; in contrast, MS4s convey water flowing from streets, buildings, and other land areas directly and indirectly into surface waters. They may convey both storm water and authorized non-storm water discharges.

The initial (“Phase I”) MS4 Permits, typically issued for a five-year term, focused on actions to be taken by Copermittees. These actions included regulation of residential and commercial activities, new and existing development, other construction activities, facility inspections, water quality monitoring, and programs to detect and eliminate illegal discharges.

The Phase I MS4 Permits also established the following regulatory mechanisms:

- ❖ **Receiving water limitations** prohibit discharges from MS4s that cause or contribute to the violation of water quality standards or water quality objectives.
- ❖ **Effluent limitations** are either technology-based to require pollutants to be reduced to the maximum extent practicable (MEP) or water-quality-based to specify the maximum concentration of pollutants in storm water discharges from MS4s.
- ❖ **Discharge prohibitions** detail what may and may not be legally discharged to a state waterbody in a manner causing, or threatening to cause, a condition of pollution, contamination, or nuisance.

Monitoring programs required by these early permits were effective in characterizing the receiving waters in urban areas and the pollutants typically found in MS4 discharges. Furthermore, the permit programs developed and implemented numerous BMPs, ranging from street sweeping to public education and outreach to true source control (e.g., eliminating copper from automotive brake pads through state legislation). However, despite the implementation of program activities meeting the MEP standard, impairments of beneficial uses remain. Because the impairments exist, the Regional Board is required to review existing policies and develop new policies, such as total maximum daily loads (TMDLs). A TMDL is a calculation of the maximum amount of a pollutant that a waterbody can receive and still safely meet water quality standards, and an allocation of that load among the various sources of the pollutant.

The Regional Board worked closely with the Responsible Agencies and interested parties during development of the most recent version of the MS4 Permit to institute a new scientifically based approach to water quality management. The new approach is based on water quality outcomes, rather than on fulfillment of prescriptive activities. While maintaining each jurisdiction’s authority and accountability, monitoring is conducted to answer specific questions and provide the basis for implementation actions in the WMA.

1.3 Water Quality Improvement Plan Process

During development of the Water Quality Improvement Plan, the Responsible Agencies solicited data, information, and recommendations through a public participation process, as mandated by Provision F.1.a of the MS4 Permit. The public participation process included public workshops, described in Sections 2 and 3 of this document, and the creation of a Water Quality Improvement Consultation Committee (Consultation Committee), which provided recommendations during the development of the Water

Quality Improvement Plan. The Consultation Committee included the following required representatives:

- ❖ A representative of the Regional Board
- ❖ A representative of the environmental community (i.e., a non-governmental organization) associated with a waterbody within the WMA
- ❖ A representative of the development community familiar with the opportunities and constraints of implementing structural BMPs, retrofitting projects, and stream, channel, or habitat rehabilitation projects in the WMA

In addition to the three required Consultation Committee members, the Responsible Agencies chose ten members at large, based on interest forms received after the first public workshop.

The Consultation Committee reviews drafts of key sections of the Water Quality Improvement Plan, and meets periodically during the two-year development process to discuss the following topics:

- ❖ Priorities, potential strategies, and sources of pollutants and stressors (November 2013 [completed])
- ❖ Numeric goals, strategies, and schedules (July 2014 [completed], and October 2014 [completed])
- ❖ Final Water Quality Improvement Plan (June 2015, 30-day comment period)

1.4 Water Quality Improvement Plan Goal and Approach

The goal of the Water Quality Improvement Plan is to reduce pollutants and stressors in MS4 discharges to further the CWA's objective to protect, preserve, enhance, and restore the water quality and designated beneficial uses of waters of the state.

Since the inception of Phase I MS4 Permits more than 20 years ago, the Copermittees have directed substantial resources (through the Watershed Urban Runoff Management Program [WURMP], the Jurisdictional Urban Runoff Management Programs/Plans [JURMPs], and other various programs) to improve water quality in the WMA. This Water Quality Improvement Plan represents the next phase in watershed management and enhancement following many years of monitoring and program implementation. Additionally, this Water Quality Improvement Plan serves as the comprehensive planning document for the proposed management program that will be implemented within the San Dieguito River WMA. As the comprehensive planning document, this Water Quality Improvement Plan incorporates and replaces all previously submitted comprehensive planning documents for this WMA.

This Water Quality Improvement Plan is intended to be a living document and proposes an iterative and adaptive management process to meet the MS4 Permit goals. The overall process is shown in Figure 1-2 and described in this section.



Figure 1-2
Water Quality Condition Improvement Plan Process

The initial step in developing this Water Quality Improvement Plan was reviewing known receiving water impairments and the water quality data that had been collected during prior MS4 Permit cycles, along with other available data and public input. This process identified a set of receiving water conditions within the San Dieguito River WMA (Section 2.1).

For each identified receiving water condition, available data from upstream MS4 discharges were reviewed to determine whether there was evidence that the MS4 discharges may be a source of pollutants to the receiving water condition (Section 2.2). When evidence of a potential linkage was found, the receiving water condition became a “priority water quality condition” (Section 2.3). A subset of these priority water quality conditions was selected to represent the highest priority water quality conditions (Section 2.4).

The CWA regulatory process and the NPDES monitoring programs performed to date have generally been successful in identifying the highest priorities in the San Dieguito River WMA. Selection of the highest priority water quality conditions is based on the methodology developed by the Responsible Agencies (Appendix A) and these conditions reflect some of the most challenging water quality issues to address in the WMA. The strategies identified in this Water Quality Improvement Plan to address these issues are expected to simultaneously address many of the other priorities in the WMA. The highest priority water quality conditions identified in this plan were subject to review and input from the Regional Board; environmental, business, and development organizations; and the public.

Current water quality issues identified by the Copermittees include impaired waterbodies with designations that have been approved by the USEPA, per CWA Section 303(d) (303(d) or 303(d) list or listing). Goals and schedules for addressing these issues have been developed and included in the Basin Plan as TMDLs for certain 303(d) listings.

With the highest priority water quality conditions established, the next step was to identify the potential sources of the pollutants and stressors contributing to the highest priority water quality conditions (Section 3). Concurrently, potential strategies to address the highest priority water quality conditions were identified. The potential strategies ranged from activities such as street sweeping, public outreach, and construction of water quality treatment structures to the development of standards and regulatory initiatives. The potential strategies were selected from existing plans, public feedback, and suggestions from the Consultation Committee.

Given the potential strategies, interim and final Water Quality Improvement Plan numeric goals have been developed using the latest research and currently available technology (Section 4). These interim goals provide a schedule for measuring progress toward final numeric goals. Final numeric goals are intended to protect and restore beneficial uses when achieved. According to the MS4 Permit (Provision B.3), “the water quality improvement goals and strategies must address the highest priority water quality conditions by effectively prohibiting non-storm water discharges to the MS4, reducing pollutants in storm water discharges from the MS4 to the MEP, and protecting the water quality standards of receiving waters.” Numeric goals and schedules have been developed to track improvements related to the highest priority water quality conditions detailed in this plan, while prioritizing strategies that can address multiple pollutants at one time. As part of this step, the City of San Diego estimated the funding needs to implement the jurisdictional strategies needed to achieve the goals identified.

In coordination with the Regional Board and other interested parties, the Responsible Agencies have developed a list of recommended strategies with an implementation schedule and the estimated dates for achievement of interim and final numeric goals. The list of recommended strategies has been developed by evaluating the potential strategies developed under the previous step for their estimated ability to ultimately achieve the numeric goals, while providing a multi-pollutant benefit. The Responsible Agencies have prioritized the list of recommended strategies by incorporating a comprehensive approach to all pollutants and conditions. The end goal is to optimize the improvement to water quality in relation to the overall cost of implementation and assessment. The Responsible Agencies are committed to contributing to improved water quality in the San Dieguito River WMA by reducing the discharge of pollutants from their MS4s through implementation of the recommended strategies identified in this Water Quality Improvement Plan. Lastly, the City of San Diego estimated the funding needs to implement the jurisdictional strategies needed to achieve the goals identified. (Appendix I.4).

To evaluate progress toward improving water quality and meeting scheduled goals, a question-based program to monitor and assess water quality improvement has been developed (Section 5). The program will be implemented on a WMA basis so that the Responsible Agencies can efficiently combine their resources.

This Water Quality Improvement Plan includes an iterative and adaptive management process for Responsible Agencies to re-evaluate conditions and improve strategies and assessments (Section 6). The process will draw from the data collected as part of the Monitoring and Assessment Program and the JRMP to create a water quality improvement program that is dynamic and proactive.

1.5 The San Dieguito River WMA

The San Dieguito River WMA drains an area of 346 square miles in the west-central part of San Diego County. The WMA includes portions of the cities of Del Mar, Escondido, Poway, San Diego, and Solana Beach, and some unincorporated County of San Diego areas. Respective jurisdictional land areas are provided in Table 1-1. A map providing an overview of the subwatersheds and the jurisdictions within the WMA is located in Appendix B.

Table 1-1
Jurisdictional Land Areas for the San Dieguito River WMA

Responsible Agencies	Land Area (Acres)
City of Del Mar	990
City of Escondido	4,362
City of Poway	9,011
City of San Diego	27,345
City of Solana Beach	1,597
County of San Diego	176,644

To develop this Water Quality Improvement Plan, the San Dieguito River WMA was separated into three main subwatersheds. These subwatersheds are used to aid organization and to help give geographical context to the conditions and strategies. However, the locations of the receiving waters were not a factor in the determination of the priority water quality conditions. These subwatersheds, which are delineated by the major hydrologic boundaries in the WMA, are the San Dieguito River Below Lake Hodges, the San Dieguito River Above Lake Hodges, and the San Dieguito River Above Sutherland Reservoir.

The San Dieguito River WMA extends from the eastern headwaters in the Volcan Mountains to its outlet at the San Dieguito Lagoon and Pacific Ocean. The eastern portion of the WMA is primarily undeveloped and is dominated by chaparral and oak woodland vegetative communities (Appendix B).

Land use information was obtained from the Geographic Information System (GIS) Land Layer of the San Diego Association of Governments (SANDAG), which contains over 80 different land use classifications (SANDAG, 2009). These land use classifications were aggregated into nine general land use classifications. A breakdown of the land uses in the San Dieguito River WMA is shown in Table 1-2. Much of the WMA is composed of vacant or undeveloped land (39 percent), open space parks and recreation (24 percent), and residential (18 percent) land uses. Most of the urban development is concentrated in the lower or western portions of the WMA (Appendix B).

Table 1-2
San Dieguito River WMA Land Uses

Aggregate Land Use	Area (Acres)	Percentage of Total (%)¹
Vacant/Undeveloped	86,719	39.14
Open Space/Recreation	52,375	23.64
Residential	39,506	17.83
Agriculture	30,419	13.73
Freeway/Road/Transportation	6,993	3.16
Water	1,676	0.76
Office/Institutional	1,665	0.75
Commercial	1,493	0.67
Industrial	690	0.31

1. Does not add to 100.00% due to rounding.

The map illustrating the impervious areas of the San Dieguito River WMA is provided in Appendix B. Impervious cover in this map is any surface in the landscape that cannot effectively absorb or infiltrate rainfall. Impervious areas include driveways, roads, parking lots, rooftops, and sidewalks. The amount of impervious cover reflects the amount of urbanization in a watershed. Increased impervious cover adds to the rainfall runoff potential in the WMA, with implications for water quality and flood control. Soils on this map are depicted as pervious; however, some local soil types may have such low infiltration rates that they may be nearly impermeable.

1.6 Water Quality Improvement Plan Organization

The organization of the Water Quality Improvement Plan follows the requirements of the MS4 Permit. The Water Quality Improvement Plan sections and the corresponding MS4 Permit Provisions are organized as follows:

Section 1, Introduction—This section provides the purpose of the Water Quality Improvement Plan and summarizes the spatial context of the WMA.

Section 2, Priority Water Quality Conditions—This section describes the process for selecting the priority water quality conditions, including assessing receiving water conditions (Provision B.2.a), assessing impacts of the MS4 discharges (Provision B.2.b), and identifying the priority water quality conditions (Provision B.2.c(1)). This section also identifies the highest priority water quality conditions (Provision B.2.c(2)).

Section 3, MS4 Sources of Pollutants and/or Stressors—This section identifies known and suspected sources of pollutants or other stressors that cause or contribute to the highest priority water quality conditions, describes the prioritization process of the sources or stressors, and summarizes the priority sources or stressors by jurisdictions (Provision B.2.d).

Section 4, Water Quality Goals, Strategies, and Schedules—For the highest priority water quality conditions, this section details the WMA interim and final numeric goals and the schedule for measuring progress toward achieving these goals (Provision B.3.a(1)). These goals are used to develop the jurisdictional specific water quality improvement strategies (Provision B.3.b(1)) and the schedules for jurisdictional specific water quality improvement strategies (Provisions B.3.a(2) and B.3.b(3)).

Section 5, Water Quality Improvement Monitoring and Assessment Program—This section summarizes the integrated Monitoring and Assessment Program (Provision B.4).

Section 6, Iterative Approach and Adaptive Management Process—This section describes the methodology to re-evaluate the priority water quality conditions (Provision B.5.a); adapt the goals, strategies, and schedules (Provision B.5.b); and adapt the Monitoring and Assessment Program (Provision B.5.c). It also describes the processes to modify the Water Quality Improvement Plan (Provision B.6.b) and the JRMP (Provision F.2.a) following re-evaluation.

2 Priority Water Quality Conditions

Local agencies have long worked in partnership to protect and improve water quality throughout the San Dieguito River Watershed Management Area. Over the years, there have been substantial improvements to water quality in the streams and other tributaries leading to the San Dieguito Lagoon. Even so, there are segments of waterbodies in the San Dieguito River WMA that continue to suffer from impairments to water quality.



Working collaboratively with the Regional Board and the public, the agencies with jurisdictional responsibilities in the San Dieguito River WMA have identified a total of 17 priority water quality conditions associated with discharges from storm drain systems within this area. This identification effort is the first step required for the new Water Quality Improvement Plan process (described in Section 1 and illustrated in the graphic above). The plan developed for the San Dieguito River WMA employs a scientific process of pollutant source identification and management. The potential impairment of contact recreation along the Pacific Shoreline at the San Dieguito Lagoon Mouth from bacteria was determined to be the highest priority water quality condition in the subwatersheds above Lake Hodges during wet weather and below Lake Hodges during both wet and dry weather.

Section 2 Highlights

- ❖ Describes the process to determine priority water quality conditions and identify highest priority water quality conditions
- ❖ Identifies the priority water quality conditions:
 - San Dieguito River Above Sutherland Reservoir—1 priority water quality condition
 - San Dieguito River Above Lake Hodges—10 priority water quality conditions (2 selected on the basis of monitoring data)
 - San Dieguito River Below Lake Hodges—6 priority water quality conditions (2 selected on the basis of monitoring data)
- ❖ Identifies the highest priority water quality conditions:
 - Potential impairment of contact recreation along the Pacific Ocean Shoreline at the San Dieguito Lagoon Mouth from indicator bacteria
 - San Dieguito River above Lake Hodges subwatershed during wet weather
 - San Dieguito River below Lake Hodges subwatershed during wet and dry weather

Discharges that are not conveyed by the MS4 are regulated separately. However, the Responsible Agencies are responsible for discharges originating from these Non-MS4 lands outside of their regulatory control (i.e., industrial, agricultural, Phase II, state, federal, and Indian reservation lands) if those pollutants are ultimately discharged from the MS4 of a Responsible Agency. Therefore, Responsible Agencies will seek opportunities for collaboration and improved communication with non-municipal sources and the appropriate regulatory agencies to ensure that these discharges are regulated before they enter the Responsible Agencies' MS4s to improve water quality throughout the WMA.

A water quality condition is an impairment of a receiving water beneficial use. Priority water quality conditions are defined in this Water Quality Improvement Plan as receiving water conditions that have evidence of being caused or contributed to by MS4 discharges, and may be "pollutants, stressors, and/or receiving water conditions that are the highest threat to receiving water quality or that most adversely affect the quality of receiving waters" (Provision B.2.c).

The priority water quality condition identification process began by assessing the receiving water conditions (Provision B.2.a) and then the impacts from MS4 sources (Provision B.2.b). Combining these assessments resulted in a list of priority water quality conditions. During these assessments, data gaps were discovered. Data gaps are defined in this Water Quality Improvement Plan as areas where there is a lack of information to assess the receiving water conditions or impacts from MS4 sources. Data gaps are addressed by the Monitoring and Assessment Program and the Iterative and Adaptive Management Approach (Sections 5 and 6 of the Water Quality Improvement Plan). The highest priority water quality conditions were then selected by the Responsible Agencies from the list of priority water quality conditions, using the process detailed below and summarized in Appendix A.

Figure 2-1 summarizes the selection sequence to identify the priority and highest priority water quality conditions.

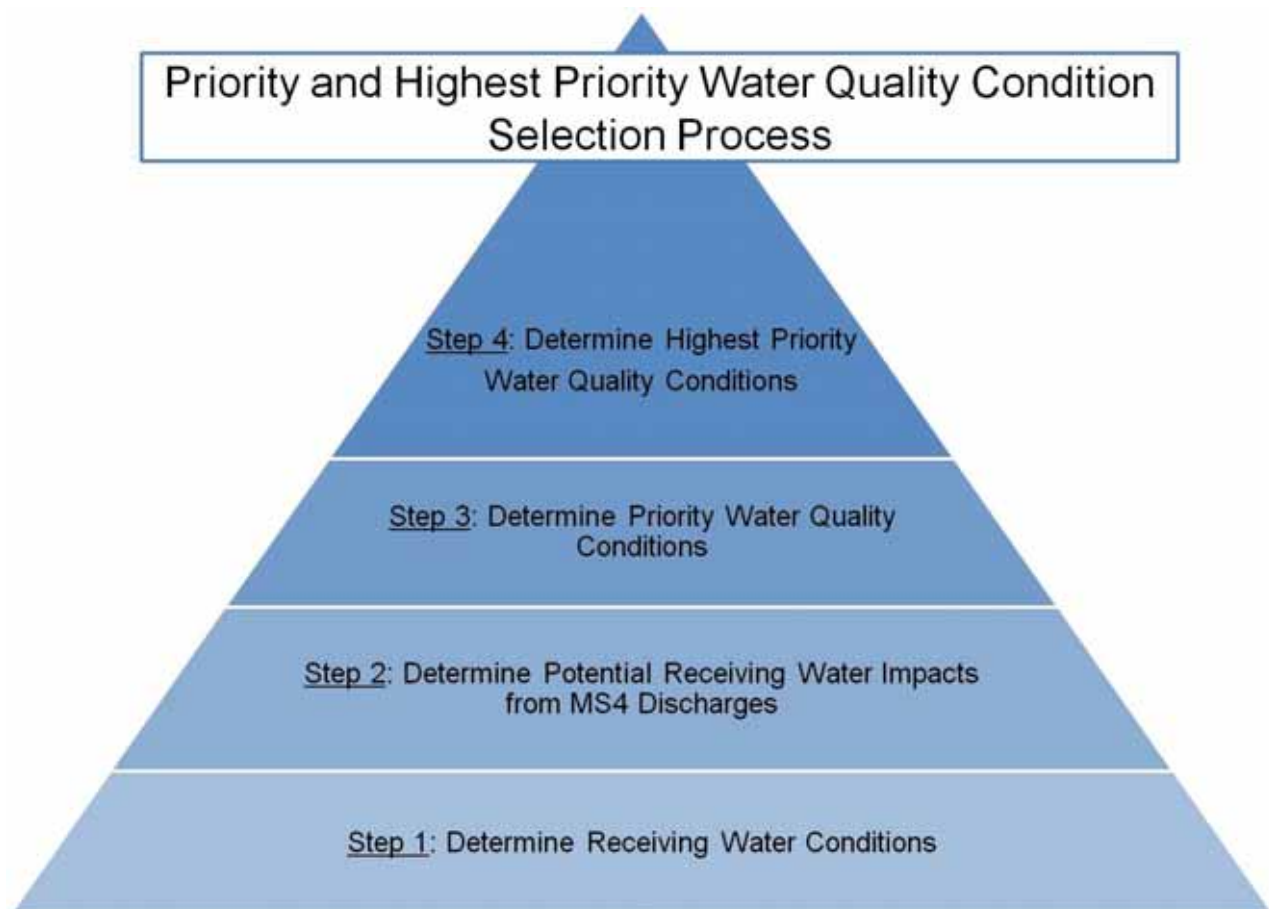


Figure 2-1
San Dieguito River WMA
Priority and Highest Priority Water Quality Condition Selection Process

2.1 Step 1: Determine Receiving Water Conditions

As defined by the USEPA, a receiving water is any body of water (for example, a creek, river, lake, or estuary) into which surface water, treated waste, or untreated wastewater is discharged (USEPA, 2012a).

Identification of receiving water conditions is based on the following considerations, as listed in Provision B.2.a of the MS4 Permit:

- (1) Receiving waters listed as impaired on the 2010 303(d) list of impaired waters
- (2) TMDLs adopted or under development by the Regional Board

- (3) Receiving waters recognized as sensitive or highly valued by the Copermittees, including estuaries designated under the National Estuary Program under CWA Section 320, wetlands defined by the state or U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service's National Wetlands Inventory as wetlands, waters having the Preservation of Biological Habitats of Special Significance beneficial use designation (BIOL), and receiving waters identified as Areas of Special Biological Significance (ASBS)
- (4) Receiving water limitations of Provision A.2 of the MS4 Permit
- (5) Known historical versus current biological, physical, and chemical water quality conditions
- (6) Available, relevant, and appropriately collected and analyzed biological, physical, and chemical receiving water monitoring data, including, but not limited to, data describing:
 - (a) Chemical constituents
 - (b) Water quality parameters (i.e., pH, temperature, conductivity, etc.)
 - (c) Toxicity identification evaluations for both receiving water column and sediment
 - (d) Trash impacts
 - (e) Bioassessments
 - (f) Physical habitat
- (7) Available evidence of erosional impacts on receiving waters that are due to accelerated flows (i.e., hydromodification)
- (8) Available evidence of adverse impacts on the biological, physical, and chemical integrity of receiving waters
- (9) Potential improvements in the overall condition of the WMA that can be achieved

The following subsections detail how Considerations 1 through 9 are incorporated into the assessment.

2.1.1 The 2010 303(d) List and Beneficial Uses (Consideration 1)

2010 303(d) Listings

The 303(d) list is named after the section number of the CWA that established the requirements to create a list of impaired waterbody segments. An impaired waterbody is a waterbody with “chronic or recurring monitored violations” of “applicable numeric and/or narrative water quality criteria” (USEPA, 2012a). Under 303(d), states, territories, and authorized tribes are required to develop lists of impaired waters (303(d) list) and submit them for USEPA approval every two years. The Regional Board is tasked with developing the 303(d) list in the San Diego region.

The latest 303(d) list was updated in 2010 and identifies these impaired waterbodies by specifying:

- ❖ The particular waterbody that is impaired (in the San Dieguito River WMA, the specific waterbody can range in scale from an ephemeral stream to portions of the Pacific Ocean Shoreline)
- ❖ If known, the pollutant causing the impairment (e.g., bacteria or nutrients)
- ❖ The beneficial use(s) potentially impaired
- ❖ The potential pollutant source(s)

The San Dieguito River WMA has several 2010 303(d) listed waterbodies, which are mapped in Figure 2-2. The names of these waterbodies are provided in Table 2-1.

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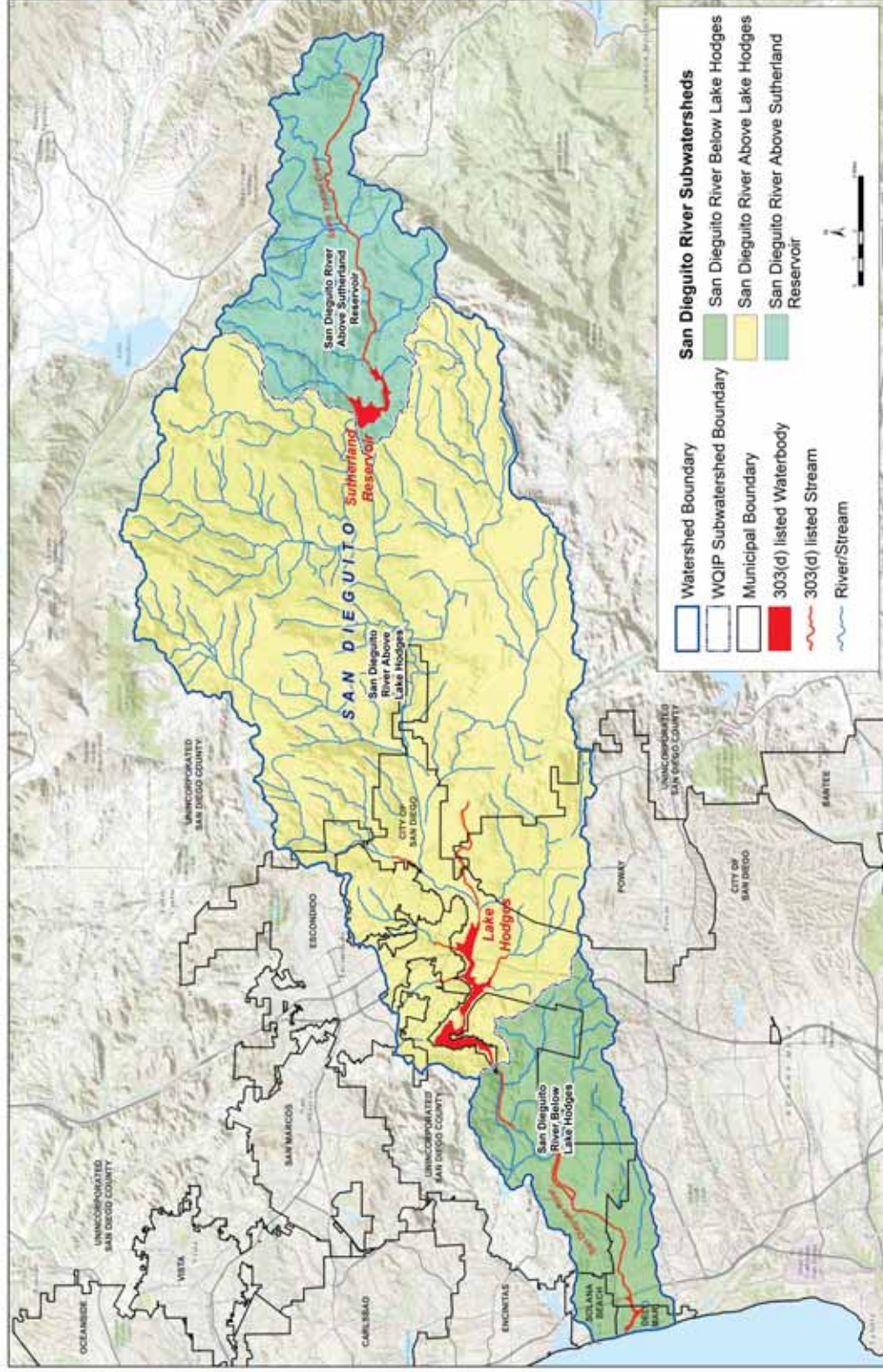


Figure 2-2
 San Dieguito River WMA
 2010 303(d) Listed Waterbodies

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Beneficial Uses

The beneficial uses of a waterbody are designated in the Basin Plan and are defined as “the uses of a waterbody necessary for the survival or well-being of man, plants, and wildlife” (Regional Board, 1994). The development and adoption of the Basin Plan are the responsibility of the Regional Board. The beneficial uses listed as impaired on the 303(d) list of impaired waterbodies within the San Dieguito River WMA are described in Appendix C. The vast majority (97 percent) of waterbodies in the San Dieguito River WMA are not impaired or have not been found to be impaired by the Regional Board. Of those waterbodies that are listed in Appendix C as having impairments, most beneficial uses are attained. The Basin Plan, which provides additional details on the beneficial uses in the San Dieguito River WMA, is online at (http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/sandiego/water_issues/programs/basin_plan/).

Beneficial uses may be impaired by various pollutants and stressors, which may be biological (e.g., indicator bacteria), physical (e.g., sedimentation), or chemical (e.g., metals) in nature. Pollutants, stressors, and conditions that may indicate impairment of beneficial uses in the San Dieguito River WMA include the following:

Aluminum occurs naturally at low levels in receiving waters because it is an abundant metal found in the earth’s crust. It may also enter receiving waters in discharges from municipal sources and industry. Aluminum may become toxic to aquatic life, especially under low pH conditions (San Diego Bay Watersheds, 2013).

Color in water can be affected by naturally occurring minerals, plant matter, and algae, as well as by municipal sources and industrial pollutants. It is an aesthetic parameter and is associated with the natural color of fish, shellfish, or other resources in surface waters. Dissolved and particulate matter can cause discoloration (Regional Board, 1994).

Chloride is a common mineral that is highly soluble in water. Chlorides may also come from seawater intrusion, agricultural processes, and industrial wastes. Elevated levels of chloride may harm plant life and corrode metals (Regional Board, 1994).

Indicator bacteria are surrogates used to measure the potential presence of harmful bacteria, fecal material, and associated fecal pathogens. The common indicator bacteria include total coliform, fecal coliform, *Escherichia (E.) coli*, and *Enterococcus*. Indicator bacteria may include non-fecal bacteria or bacteria that are non-fecal in origin (Regional Board, 1994; Southern California Coastal Water Research Project [SCCWRP], 2012).

Iron may occur naturally or may enter the receiving water through corrosion of metallic materials or industrial discharges. Iron can degrade domestic water supplies by causing unpleasant tastes, discoloring laundry and plumbing fixtures, and depositing on food during cooking (Regional Board, 1994). However, iron

is also an essential micronutrient for human health, and iron deficiency can lead to iron-deficiency anemia in vulnerable populations including pregnant women, children, and people with heart failure or cancer (National Institutes of Health [NIH], 2014).

pH is a measure of the hydrogen ion content (acidity or alkalinity) of water. The Basin Plan states that pH values from 6.5 to 9.0 are considered acceptable. Changes in pH can change the chemical nature of certain constituents. For example, low pH allows toxic elements to become mobile and be available for uptake by aquatic animals and plants (Regional Board, 1994).

Manganese occurs naturally in groundwater and surface water because of mineral deposits in the earth's crust. Manganese in drinking water is associated with unpleasant tastes and dark stains (Regional Board, 1994).

Mercury occurs naturally and is most commonly released when coal is burned. Once mercury enters the aquatic ecosystem, it can be converted to methylmercury, which is highly toxic and can bio-accumulate in fish and shellfish (USEPA, 2013). When humans consume fish and wildlife that have ingested mercury, health concerns arise (U.S. Geological Survey [USGS], 1997).

Pentachlorophenol (PCP) was popular as an herbicide until it was banned in 1987; it is now primarily used as a wood preservative (USEPA, 2007; USEPA, 2012c). Short- or long-term human exposure to PCP can damage the liver, kidneys, blood, and lungs, and the nervous, immune, and gastrointestinal systems. PCP may also affect aquatic and plant life in surface waters.

Potential eutrophication (nitrogen and phosphorous) conditions exist when excessive amounts of nutrients (commonly nitrogen and phosphorus) are in an aquatic environment. Nutrients can accelerate the growth of algae and phytoplankton, which can reduce dissolved oxygen content and harm aquatic organisms (World Resources Institute [WRI], 2013). This condition can unbalance the aquatic system and so harm fish, wildlife, and human health.

Sulfate is a common anion in water that can occur naturally from gypsiferous deposits and sulfide minerals associated with crystalline rock. High sulfate concentrations in drinking water can cause laxative effects (Regional Board, 1994).

Toxicity, as defined in the Basin Plan, is the adverse response of organisms to chemicals or physical agents. Toxic substances or concentrations thereof produce harmful physiological responses in humans, plants, animals, or other aquatic life (Regional Board, 1994).

Total dissolved solids (TDS) consist of carbonates, bicarbonates, chlorides, sulphates, phosphates, nitrates, magnesium, sodium, iron, manganese, and other substances. TDS can affect the water based in the cells of aquatic organisms. High TDS concentrations can change soil permeability, thereby impacting vegetation (Regional Board, 1994).

Turbidity is a measure of the clarity of water, which is attributed to the amount of suspended particles. Increased turbidity can reduce light penetration, which can reduce photosynthesis and adversely affect aquatic life. High levels of turbidity may also impact drinking water (Regional Board, 1994).

The Index of Biological Integrity (IBI) is a comprehensive method used to evaluate the health of the benthic macroinvertebrate community on a scale of 0 to 100, where 100 is very good condition and 0 is very poor condition. This information can be used to assess the health of the stream and is commonly used with bioassessment (State Board, 2013b). The IBI score is not a pollutant or stressor itself, but instead is a measure of the biological condition of a waterbody; it is used as a surrogate for anthropogenic impacts on receiving water health.

2.1.2 Applicable TMDLs, Special Biological Habitats, and Receiving Water Limitations (Considerations 2, 3, and 4)

San Dieguito River WMA TMDLs

TMDLs identify the total pollutant loading that a receiving water can accept and still meet water quality standards. The Regional Board is required to develop TMDLs or to follow an alternative regulatory process to address impairment listings. One TMDL has been developed in the San Dieguito River WMA.

The Pacific Ocean Shoreline at the San Dieguito Lagoon Mouth was on the 2002 303(d) list for bacteria indicators as impairing contact recreation; this original listing was for the “Pacific Ocean Shoreline, San Dieguito HU.” The 2010 303(d) listing was clarified by individually analyzing for the bacteria indicators (*Enterococcus*, fecal coliform, and total coliform) and narrowing down the listing area into a smaller segment near the sampling point of the data being assessed. In this individual data analysis, *Enterococcus* and fecal coliform were removed from the 303(d) list, leaving only total coliform (as impairing the shellfish beneficial use) on the 2010 303(d) list.

Concurrently, the TMDL for *Indicator Bacteria, Project I—Twenty Beaches and Creeks in the San Diego Region (Including Tecolote Creek)*, Resolution No. R9-2010-0001 (Bacteria TMDL) was being developed. The Bacteria TMDL included the Pacific Ocean Shoreline at the San Dieguito Lagoon Mouth (the same smaller segment listed on the 2010 303(d) list) as impaired for contact recreation due to *Enterococcus*, fecal coliform, and total coliform. The Bacteria TMDL was finalized prior to the 2010 303(d) removal of *Enterococcus* and fecal coliform. Given that the smaller segment was included in the Bacteria TMDL, it was considered a receiving water condition to develop goals and strategies to continue compliance with the Bacteria TMDL requirements and to meet

water quality-based effluent limits (WQBELs), as required by the MS4 Permit. Therefore, *Enterococcus* and fecal coliform are still considered as potential stressors at the Pacific Ocean Shoreline per the TMDL, although they are no longer on the 2010 303(d) list.

All 2010 303(d) listings, whether a TMDL has been completed or is scheduled, were identified as receiving water conditions for the Water Quality Improvement Plan. Table 2-1 summarizes the 2010 303(d) listed impaired waterbodies and the TMDLs in the San Dieguito River WMA, the assessed length or area of the impairment in the waterbody, and the pollutants listed as causing the impairment. The locations of these waterbodies are mapped in Figure 2-2.

Table 2-1
2010 Section 303(d) Listed Waterbodies and Total Maximum Daily Loads
in the San Dieguito River WMA

Waterbody Name	Assessed Length or Area	Pollutant or Stressor	TMDL Approved by OAL
Santa Ysabel Creek, Upper	12 miles	Toxicity	To be developed
Sutherland Reservoir	561 acres	Color, iron, manganese, total nitrogen as N and pH	To be developed
Cloverdale Creek	1.2 miles	Total dissolved solids (TDS) and phosphorus	To be developed
Green Valley Creek	0.98 mile	Sulfates, chloride, manganese, and pentachlorophenol (PCP)	To be developed
Kit Carson Creek	0.99 mile	TDS and PCP	To be developed
Felicita Creek	0.92 mile	TDS and aluminum	To be developed
Lake Hodges	1,104 acres	Color, manganese, mercury, nitrogen, phosphorus, turbidity, and pH	To be developed

Table 2-1 (continued)
2010 Section 303(d) Listed Waterbodies and Total Maximum Daily Loads (TMDLs)
in the San Dieguito River WMA

Waterbody Name	Assessed Length or Area	Pollutant or Stressor	TMDL Approved by OAL
San Dieguito River	19 miles	<i>Enterococcus</i> , fecal coliform, nitrogen, phosphorus, TDS, and toxicity	To be developed
Pacific Ocean Shoreline at San Dieguito Lagoon Mouth	0.03 mile	<i>Enterococcus</i> , total coliform, and fecal coliform ¹	June 2011
		Total coliform ²	To be developed

1. Pollutants are not on the 303(d) list but are included in the Bacteria TMDL as potential stressors to Contact Water Recreation beneficial use (REC-1).

2. Potential stressor for impairment of Shellfish Harvesting beneficial use (SHELL).

Note: See Figure 2-2 for a map of the 303(d) listed waterbodies.

OAL = California Office of Administrative Law

Special Biological Habitats

Biological habitats of special significance are waterbodies designated with the BIOL beneficial use. In the San Dieguito River WMA, the following waterbodies and areas are of special significance and can be classified as (1) impaired for BIOL beneficial use; (2) impaired for other beneficial use(s); or (3) not impaired or not assessed:

❖ Impairment of BIOL:

➤ None

❖ Impairment of other beneficial use(s):

➤ Pacific Ocean Shoreline at the San Dieguito Lagoon Mouth (2010 303(d) listed for impairment of Shellfish Harvesting beneficial use (SHELL) due to total coliform)

❖ Not impaired or have not been assessed:

- San Dieguito Lagoon
- Blue Sky Ecological Reserve
- Boden Canyon Ecological Reserve
- Lake Hodges Ecological Reserve

Receiving Water Limitations

Under the receiving water limitations provision of the MS4 Permit (Provision A.2), discharges from MS4s must not cause or contribute to the violation of water quality standards in any receiving waters. Water quality standards are defined in various regulations, including the Basin Plan. Waterbodies that do not meet water quality standards are identified on the 2010 303(d) list.

2.1.3 Data Sources Used To Assess Receiving Water Conditions (Considerations 5 and 6)

The Copermittees participated in the MS4 Permit Regional Monitoring Program under the two previous MS4 Permits. This monitoring program used a triad approach to evaluate receiving water chemistry, toxicity, and benthic community data, designed to meet the requirements of the previous MS4 Permits. Monitoring plans were submitted to the Regional Board to document sampling and analytical methodology and data quality requirements consistent with USEPA regulations and guidance and regional standard operating procedures (SOPs) such as the Surface Water Ambient Monitoring Program (SWAMP) or SCCWRP, when appropriate.

Since 2005, several primary documents containing biological, physical, and chemical receiving water monitoring data have been developed to document the information collected under the MS4 Permit monitoring program. High priority and medium priority pollutants and stressors were identified in those documents, following the WMA Assessment Methodology developed by the Copermittees in 2010. Waterbodies for which monitoring data indicate a failure to meet standards or which are 303(d) listed have been identified as receiving water conditions. Data generated from these monitoring programs provided the basis for the assessments and conclusions of the Long-Term Effectiveness Assessment (LTEA) and the WURMP Annual Reports. These primary data sources were used to identify or assess receiving water conditions for this Water Quality Improvement Plan, as described below.

Primary Source 1: Long-Term Effectiveness Assessment

The comprehensive LTEA was developed by the San Diego Copermittees in 2011 as a precursor to the 2012 Report of Waste Discharge (San Diego County Municipal Copermittees, 2011a). It presents and summarizes data for each WMA between 2005 and 2010, and considers historical trends. In addition to NPDES and MS4 outfall monitoring program data collected by the Copermittees directly, the LTEA includes third-party data from agencies and non-governmental organizations. Examples of third parties are the Southern California Stormwater Monitoring Coalition (SMC) (additional data on dry weather receiving water quality) and Coastkeeper (water quality data and observational condition assessments).

Primary Sources 2 and 3: Fiscal Year 2011 and Fiscal Year 2012 Watershed Urban Runoff Management Program Annual Reports

The two most recent Annual Reports produced by the San Dieguito Watershed Copermittees under the WURMP, for Fiscal Year (FY) 2011 and FY 2012 (FY11 and FY12), were consulted as primary data sources. These Annual Reports include monitoring and inspection data and the activities conducted under the WURMP. The reports assess pollutants for the annual receiving water and outfall data collected since the publication of the 2011 LTEA (San Dieguito Watershed Copermittees, 2012 and 2013).

Secondary Data Sources

Numerous secondary data sources augment the primary data sources described above and are listed in Appendix D. These additional data sources were categorized as observational, plan-based, and quality-assured, as follows:

- ❖ Observational data may include unplanned visual record(s) of a condition or source or evidence of a condition or source from a single sample or measurement.
- ❖ Plan-based data include a structured monitoring plan that bases sampling on standard clean practices; however, these data may not have associated data quality and control requirements.
- ❖ Quality-assured data include quality assurance protocols and followed described procedures to collect representative samples and certification that quality control has been performed.

The San Dieguito Watershed Management Plan (WMP) was the result of a two-year collaborative effort among community groups, professional consultants, governmental jurisdictions, agriculture interests, environmental conservationists, and water agencies (City of San Diego, 2006). The WMP based its identification of priorities on an analysis of monitoring data, regulatory agency reports, and stakeholder outreach. This analysis does not identify specific waterbody priorities in the San Dieguito River WMA, but provides priorities for the whole WMA.

These priorities are:

- ❖ Nutrients, eutrophication, and oxygen depletion
- ❖ Silt and sediment
- ❖ Toxicity
- ❖ Pathogens in water
- ❖ Salinity and dissolved solids
- ❖ Litter, trash, and debris

A second source, the City of San Diego Strategic Plan for Watershed Activity Implementation, based identification of priority water quality problems on an assessment of the 2005 Baseline LTEA, monitoring data from the City of San Diego annual storm water monitoring reports, and additional water quality data (City of San Diego, 2007). The priorities identified in the San Dieguito River WMA are:

- ❖ Bacteria
- ❖ Nutrients
- ❖ Total dissolved solids

Because the San Dieguito WMP and Strategic Plan were completed in 2006 and 2007, respectively, the updated 2011 LTEA and the 2011 and 2012 WURMP Annual Reports represent more recent assessments of the data available for the San Dieguito River WMA. The priorities identified by the two secondary data sources are similar to those of the LTEA and 2011 and 2012 WURMP reports.

The primary documents provide current and historical monitoring data for three receiving water monitoring stations with the data reported and evaluated independently for wet weather and dry weather. During the previous two MS4 Permit cycles, the stations have been operated and maintained by the Copermitees, per the requirements of the previous MS4 Permit monitoring program. Monitoring included rapid stream bioassessments, toxicity analysis, flow monitoring, trash surveys, and analytical analysis of samples. One station, representing the San Dieguito River Below Lake Hodges subwatershed, has been monitored since 2001. The other two stations, in the San Dieguito River Above Lake Hodges subwatershed, have been monitored biennially since 2008. Figure 2-3 shows the location of the NPDES monitoring stations in the San Dieguito River WMA. Table 2-2 provides additional details on the NPDES monitoring stations.

The LTEA and WURMP Annual Reports have no receiving water monitoring data from the San Dieguito River Above Sutherland Reservoir subwatershed, which is upstream of the urbanized areas under jurisdiction of the MS4 agencies. The limited amount of receiving water quality data in the San Dieguito River Above Sutherland Reservoir subwatershed is identified as a data gap in the development of this Water Quality Improvement Plan.

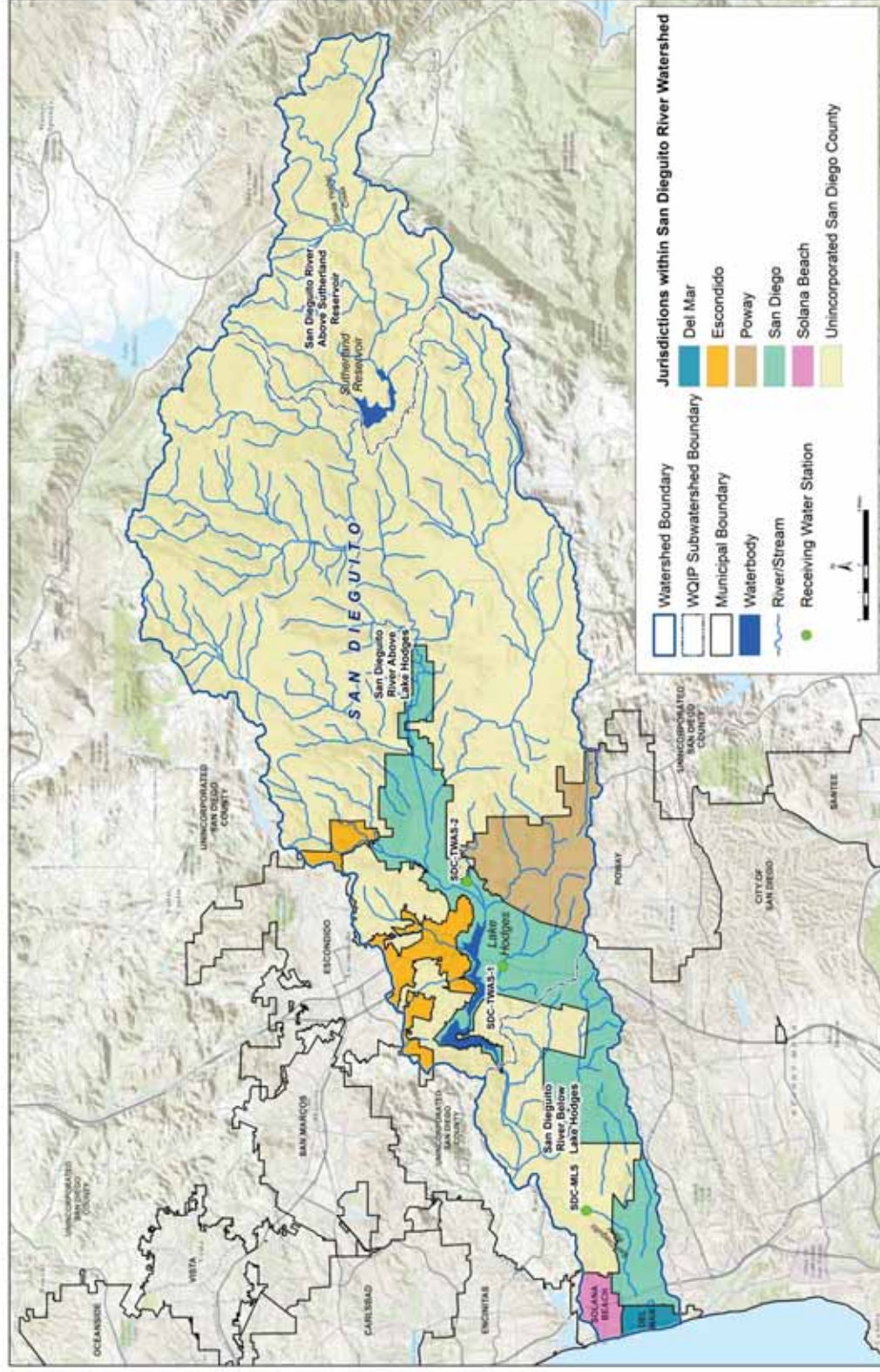


Figure 2-3
 San Dieguito River WMA
 NPDES Monitoring Stations

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Table 2-2
NPDES Monitoring Stations in the San Dieguito River WMA

Subwatershed	Station Name	Waterbody	Latitude	Longitude
San Dieguito River Above Lake Hodges	SDC-TWAS1	Green Valley Creek	33.04347	-117.07598
San Dieguito River Above Lake Hodges	SDC-TWAS2	San Pasqual Creek	33.06249	-117.03088
San Dieguito River Below Lake Hodges	SDC-MLS	San Dieguito River	32.99908	-117.20560

MLS = mass loading station; TWAS = temporary watershed assessment station

Data from these three NPDES monitoring stations were considered to represent the receiving water quality of the subwatershed in which they were collected. The data are considered quality-assured, given the municipal NPDES monitoring program requirements. Note that water quality monitoring data can be highly variable both temporally and spatially, and water quality at any specific point in a subwatershed may vary considerably from that of the samples collected at these stations. Medium or high priorities provided in two or more of the regional monitoring reports, including the LTEA, the MS4 Permit Regional Monitoring Program (which includes the SMC program), and the recent WURMP Annual Reports, are presented in Table 2-3. This list accounts for historical and current water quality monitoring findings used to inform the determination of the receiving water conditions presented in Section 2.1.7.

Table 2-3
Medium and High Priority Pollutants for Receiving Waters

Subwatershed	Dry Weather Conditions	Wet Weather Conditions
San Dieguito River Above Sutherland Reservoir	No receiving water data available	No receiving water data are available.
San Dieguito River Above Lake Hodges	<i>Enterococcus</i> ¹ , total dissolved solids (TDS) ¹ , total nitrogen ¹ , total phosphorus ¹ , and poor to very poor index of biological integrity (IBI) ¹	Fecal coliform ² , TDS ² , and total phosphorus ²
San Dieguito River Below Lake Hodges	<i>Enterococcus</i> ² , TDS ² , total nitrogen ² , and poor to very poor IBI ²	Fecal coliform ² , TDS ² , and toxicity ²

1. As identified in two of the three regional monitoring reports summarized in the LTEA, Southern California Stormwater Monitoring Coalition program, and recent WURMP Annual Reports.

2. As identified in both the LTEA and recent WURMP Annual Reports.

2.1.4 Evidence of Erosional Impacts (Consideration 7)

The LTEA identified hydromodification and scouring of stream banks as well as total suspended solids (TSS) and turbidity transported via storm flows as potential causes of low to poor benthic community structure, as measured by IBI scores derived from bioassessment monitoring. This information is considered evidence of erosional impacts in the San Dieguito River WMA. The Regional Monitoring Program was not designed to identify specific areas of erosion or hydromodification. More information is needed to characterize the spatial extent of these impacts and potential sources.

The Hydromodification Management Plan (HMP) outlines a monitoring program to assess the effectiveness of hydromodification management facilities (County of San Diego, 2011). Monitoring activities are ongoing and include inflow and outflow monitoring from BMPs, baseline cross-sectional monitoring, and flow-based sediment monitoring. Monitoring data generated by the HMP Monitoring Program will be considered in future iterations of the Water Quality Improvement Plan.

The Copermittees within the San Dieguito River WMA are participating in a regional effort to develop the Watershed Management Area Analysis (WMAA), as provided by the MS4 Permit. The purpose of developing the WMAA at the regional level is to ensure consistency among the Copermittees and between WMAs. The WMAA will develop WMA-specific requirements for structural BMPs and identify a list of candidate projects related to hydromodification, stream restoration, and structural BMPs. The WMAA is being conducted simultaneously with the development of the Water Quality Improvement Plan. The results from the WMAA have been incorporated into Section 4 of the Water Quality Improvement Plan and are submitted as part of this submittal.

2.1.5 Evidence of Adverse Impacts (Consideration 8)

The data sources used in Section 2.1.3 (Considerations 5 and 6) were supplemented with the information gathered during the public workshop and public data call to evaluate overall evidence of adverse impacts on the receiving waters. Examples of potential receiving water conditions were presented to the public in a workshop on September 5, 2013, on the basis of evaluation of the key data sources. Public input was received during and after the workshop along with a call for data. The public was asked to respond with final data by September 13, 2013.

Data provided by the public consisted of observational data and email messages, information from regional non-governmental organizations, email communications from members of the public, and additional reports provided by the Responsible Agencies. The data provided information on the evidence of pollutants and stressors at several locations. Most of the data supported the initial list of receiving water conditions. These data sources are summarized in Appendix D.

A list of the receiving water concerns provided by the public is as follows:

- ❖ San Dieguito River Above Sutherland Reservoir:
 - No public data submitted
- ❖ San Dieguito River Above Lake Hodges:
 - Manganese impacts
 - Nutrients and low dissolved oxygen in Lake Hodges that limit the use of the water supply and increase the cost to treat the problem
 - A comment that human health conditions should be a priority
 - The following issues raised during the public workshop (but no data were provided as evidence to support adding them as receiving water conditions, although they may be added during future revisions of the Water Quality Improvement Plan based on availability of data):
 - Vector issues as a result of stagnant water and mosquitoes
 - Bromides and mercury impacts
- ❖ San Dieguito River Below Lake Hodges:
 - Concerns with nutrients (ammonia, total phosphorus, nitrate, and total nitrogen) and low levels of dissolved oxygen
 - Elevated bacteria recorded during a land use study
 - Coastkeeper data that showed low to moderate levels of fecal indicator bacteria

2.1.6 Potential Improvements in the Overall Condition of the WMA That Can Be Achieved (Consideration 9)

The potential improvements in the overall condition of the WMA are discussed in Section 2.3. For the purposes of the Water Quality Improvement Plan, the potential improvements in the receiving waters and overall WMA are directly related to the potential improvements in the quality of the MS4 discharges, so these considerations were combined in the evaluation of the priority conditions.

2.1.7 Receiving Water Conditions

An initial list of receiving water conditions was developed on the basis of the evaluation of the 2010 303(d) list, associated TMDLs, the waterbodies with special biological significance, the priority pollutants or stressors identified from current and historical receiving water monitoring data, and public input. The criteria and data used to evaluate the receiving water conditions are detailed in Appendix E.

A receiving water condition was defined using the following four factors:

- (1) The beneficial use(s) that may be associated with the water quality impairment, as determined by the 303(d) listing
- (2) The pollutant or stressor causing the impairment
- (3) The spatial extent of the impairment, based on the 2010 303(d) listing or the area near the NPDES monitoring location
- (4) The temporal extents of the impairment (i.e., wet or dry weather); receiving water conditions, which were based on the evaluation of the 2010 303(d) list, and were assigned both dry and wet weather temporal extents. In some instances, this was not the case and only one temporal extent (i.e., dry weather only) was defined on the basis of best professional judgment.

When additional data become available that may change the assessment of the receiving water conditions, they will be incorporated using the iterative and adaptive management processes described in Section 6. The list of receiving water conditions identified in the San Dieguito River WMA and the determining factor(s) for each condition are summarized in Appendix F. Beneficial uses identified as impaired are defined in Appendix C.

2.2 Step 2: Determine Potential Receiving Water Impacts from MS4 Discharges

Receiving water conditions may be caused by a wide variety of pollutants and stressors, which may or may not result from human activity or urban development. The primary focus of the MS4 Permit is to regulate discharges from MS4 outfalls into receiving waterbodies. Priority water quality conditions in the WMA are defined as receiving water conditions that are impacted by MS4 discharges. Step 1 in the process to determine priority water quality conditions identified the receiving water conditions in the WMA. Step 2 was to assess whether MS4 discharges may cause or contribute to receiving water conditions.

The potential impacts on receiving waters from MS4 discharges were identified on the basis of the following considerations under MS4 Permit Provision B.2.b:

- (1) The discharge prohibitions of Provision A.1 and effluent limitations of Provision A.3
- (2) Available, relevant, and appropriately collected and analyzed storm water and non-storm water monitoring data from the Copermittees' MS4 outfalls
- (3) Locations of each of the Copermittee's MS4 outfalls that discharge to receiving waters

- (4) Locations of MS4 outfalls that are known to persistently discharge non-storm water to receiving waters likely causing or contributing to impacts on receiving water beneficial uses
- (5) Locations of MS4 outfalls that are known to discharge pollutants in storm water causing or contributing to impacts on receiving water beneficial uses
- (6) Potential improvements in the quality of discharges from the MS4 that can be achieved

The following subsections detail how Considerations 1 through 6 are incorporated into the assessment.

2.2.1 Discharge Prohibitions (Consideration 1)

MS4 Permit Provisions A.1 and A.3 prohibit discharges from MS4s that cause or contribute to a receiving water condition, and effectively prohibit all discharges of non-storm water into an MS4. Storm water discharges from an MS4 must be free of pollutants to the MEP and all discharges must comply with applicable WQBELs defined in the MS4 Permit. As described below, potential impacts from MS4 discharges were identified by assessing samples from MS4 outfalls that exceeded water quality standards or that persistently discharged non-storm water related to receiving water conditions identified in the previous section.

2.2.2 Available MS4 Monitoring Data (Consideration 2)

The LTEA and the WURMP Annual Reports described in Section 2.1 were the primary sources of monitoring data from MS4 outfalls in the San Dieguito River WMA; the secondary sources listed in Appendix D were also considered. The WURMP Annual Reports did not contain non-storm water MS4 outfall monitoring data, so the LTEA was the primary source of dry weather outfall data for assessing MS4 impacts.

The water quality results from one or more MS4 outfalls were compiled in the LTEA and WURMP Annual Reports and are considered representative of the MS4 within the subwatershed area related to the receiving water stations. The MS4 outfall data were evaluated in a manner consistent with that of the LTEA and WURMP Annual Reports, where the data were used to characterize MS4 water quality in general areas of the WMA. The available MS4 outfall data were considered representative of the potential for MS4 discharges to cause or contribute to a receiving water condition on a subwatershed scale. However, data for direct MS4 discharges to a specific receiving water are not typically available.

Monitoring data were compiled from these documents and are summarized at the end of this section. The complete compilation is provided in Appendix E. In Section 2.3, these data are correlated with the receiving water conditions to determine priority water quality conditions.

Table 2-4 summarizes the constituents identified as a high or medium priority in the LTEA and recent WURMP Annual Reports. Priorities are those identified in both the sources.

Table 2-4
Medium and High Priority Pollutants for Outfalls

Subwatershed	Dry Weather Conditions	Wet Weather Conditions
San Dieguito River Above Sutherland Reservoir	No MS4 monitoring data are available	No MS4 monitoring data are available.
San Dieguito River Above Lake Hodges	Chloride, sulfate, <i>Enterococcus</i> , fecal coliform, total nitrogen, total and dissolved phosphorus, and TDS	TSS, TDS, and fecal coliform
San Dieguito River Below Lake Hodges	<i>Enterococcus</i> , fecal coliform, total and dissolved phosphorus, total nitrogen, chloride, sulfate, and TDS	Fecal coliform

The current regional MS4 outfall monitoring program was designed to monitor the high priority constituents of concern, based on priorities at the time the program plan was developed. This monitoring program design could not always directly link the MS4 outfall data to the water quality of downstream receiving waters because of a limited data set available to correlate MS4 impacts to receiving water conditions. This limited data availability is identified as a data gap. Additionally, the constituents monitored under the MS4 outfall monitoring program include general physical characteristics and inorganic non-metals, organics, dissolved and total metals, and bacteriological parameters. As a result, some receiving water conditions lack supporting MS4 impact evidence because of the limited constituent list monitored under the MS4 outfall monitoring program. It is at the discretion of the Responsible Agencies to determine whether a receiving water condition merits additional monitoring to assess MS4 impacts.

The MS4 Permit defines persistent flow as “...*the presence of flowing, pooled, or ponded water more than 72 hours after a measureable rainfall event of 0.10 inch or greater during three consecutive monitoring and/or inspection events. All other flowing, pooled, or ponded water is considered transient.*”

2.2.3 Location of MS4 Outfalls (Considerations 3, 4, and 5)

The Responsible Agencies maintain maps of the conveyance systems within their jurisdictions. The locations and density of the outfalls may be a general indicator of MS4 sources in the WMA. Based on available data, Figure 2-4 illustrates the MS4 within the San Dieguito River WMA and identifies major MS4 outfalls that discharge to receiving waters. The Responsible Agencies have updated their current inventories to contain only outfalls that meet the definition of a major MS4 outfall per the MS4 Permit.

The Responsible Agencies have reviewed their updated major MS4 outfall inventories to determine which of these outfalls have persistent discharges of non-storm water on the basis of the requirements of the MS4 Permit. This review involved visiting major outfalls during dry weather and recording observations, including whether there was flow or ponding at each site. When determining if a site had persistent flow, the Responsible Agencies referred to the most recent three monitoring visits in their flow databases. If a site had flow and/or ponding during the most recent three visits, it was determined to be persistent. If one of the visits had dry conditions, the site was considered transient. If all three visits were dry, it was considered a dry site. Dry weather field screening will continue during subsequent monitoring years according to the schedule provided in Section 5.1.3. The persistent flow outfall inventory will be updated accordingly.

The Responsible Agencies have provided a preliminary list of major MS4 outfalls that may have persistent flow based on their Fall 2014 inventory. These outfalls are summarized in Appendix D.3. There are 18 outfalls in the San Dieguito River WMA that may persistently discharge non-storm water, as summarized by jurisdiction, below:

- ❖ City of Del Mar: Two outfalls (one of which is not classified as major)
- ❖ City of Escondido: One outfall
- ❖ City of Poway: Two outfalls
- ❖ County of San Diego: Three outfalls
- ❖ City of San Diego: Ten outfalls
- ❖ City of Solana Beach: No outfalls. Low flow diverters have been installed in all outfalls previously identified as persistently flowing.

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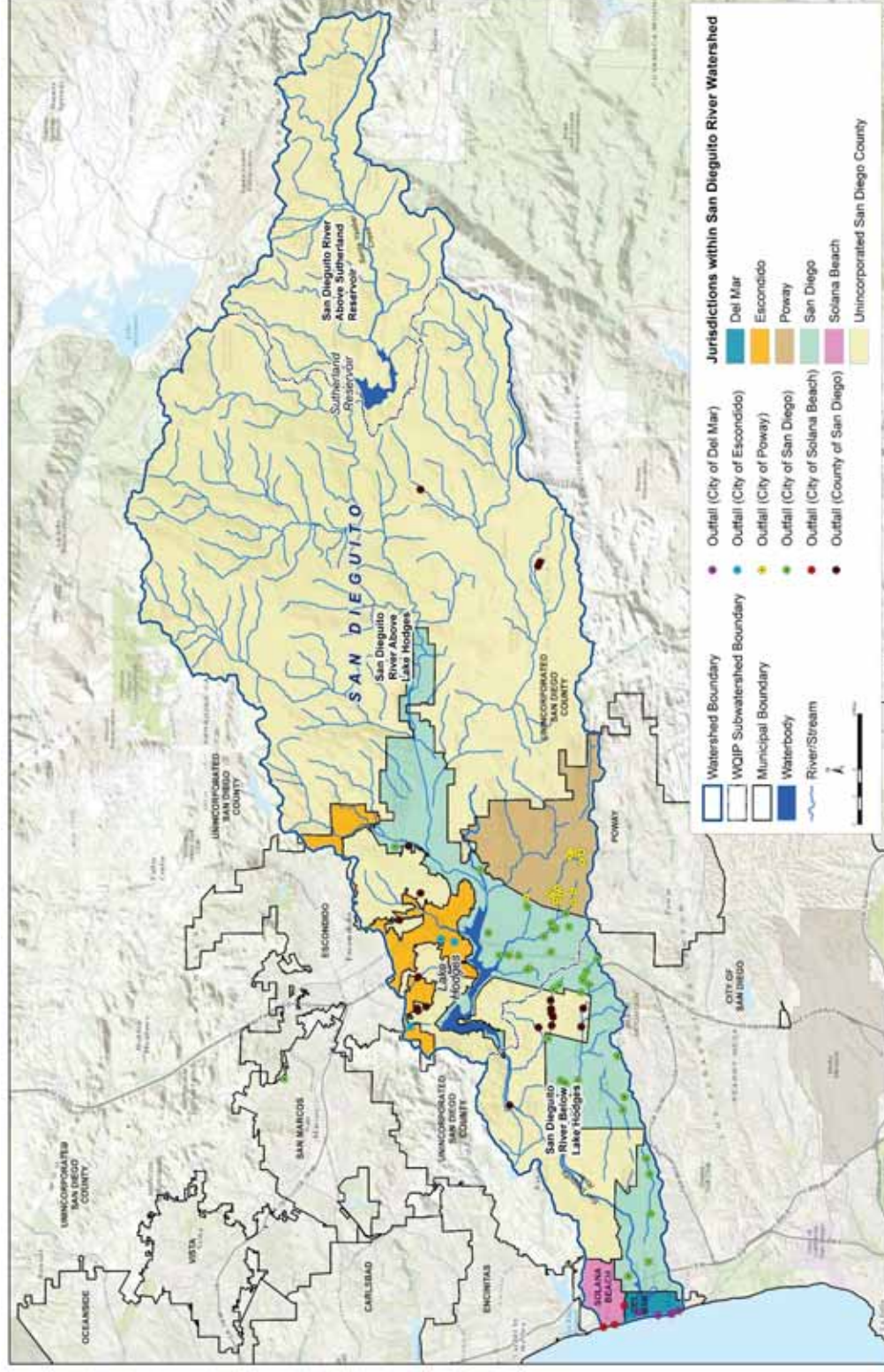


Figure 2-4
San Diego River WMA
Major MS4 Outfalls

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2.2.4 Potential Improvements in the MS4 Discharges That Can Be Achieved (Consideration 6)

Existing water quality regulations, such as TMDLs, have mandated water quality goals and schedules. The Responsible Agencies have diligently planned, developed, and implemented BMP programs throughout the WMA on the basis of the resources available to meet the requirements of these regulations, as well as the MS4 Permit requirements. The potential improvements in the quality of MS4 discharges are directly linked to the potential for improvements in the receiving waters for the purposes of the Water Quality Improvement Plan, and provide an opportunity to build on other previous and planned efforts. Therefore, potential improvements are integral to, and included in, the evaluation of the potential priority water quality conditions provided in Section 2.3.1.

2.2.5 Potential Receiving Water Impacts from MS4 Discharges

An initial list of potential impacts from MS4 discharges on receiving water conditions was developed from the evaluation of MS4 outfall monitoring data and the MS4 maps. Impacts from MS4 discharges were identified when one or both of the following criteria were met:

- ❖ MS4 outfalls exhibit current or historical monitoring results that exceed water quality standards related to the receiving water condition, based on the subwatershed analysis allowed by the data presented in the LTEA or WURMP Annual Report.
- ❖ The MS4 or urban runoff was named as a source or potential source in the 2010 303(d) list of impaired waterbodies or in a TMDL.

The final list of potential impacts from MS4 discharges into subwatersheds in the San Dieguito River WMA is provided in Appendix F. The temporal extent of the MS4 impact is estimated on the basis of the monitoring data or best professional judgment, because the 303(d) list does not provide temporal extent. When additional data that may change the assessment of the potential impacts from MS4 discharges become available, the data will be incorporated per the iterative and adaptive management processes described in Section 6.

2.3 Step 3: Determine Priority Water Quality Conditions

The information gathered to identify receiving water conditions (Section 2.1, MS4 Permit Provision B.2.a) and impacts from MS4 discharges (Section 2.2, MS4 Permit Provision B.2.b) was assessed to “develop a list of priority water quality conditions as pollutants, stressors, or receiving water conditions that are the highest threat to receiving water quality or that most adversely affect the quality of receiving waters” (MS4 Permit Provision B.2.c(1)).

Priority water quality conditions are defined as receiving water conditions for which there is evidence that MS4 discharges may cause or contribute to the condition. The selection of these conditions is based on (1) analysis of the receiving water conditions and (2) assessment of the MS4 discharges.

An initial list of priority water quality conditions was developed by comparing receiving water conditions with evidence of MS4 contributions. Characterizing the receiving water quality and identifying the potential impacts caused by MS4 discharges to receiving waters in the WMA was necessary to identify the impacts to receiving waters associated with MS4 discharges that were of the most concern to the Responsible Agencies. This initial list was created in compliance with Provisions B.2.c(1)(a)-(e). The initial list was then compared with the public input that was provided during the September 5, 2013, workshop and the public data call. The priorities identified in previous planning documents were also considered. Many of the same concerns were provided during the workshop and were evident in the planning documents and third-party data. Finally, the overall potential for improvement of MS4 discharges to affect conditions within the overall WMA was considered. The list of priority water quality conditions was then finalized on the basis of these factors. The final list of priority water quality conditions is included in Appendix F.

2.3.1 Potential Improvements in MS4 Discharges and Overall WMA

Regional reference studies led by Copermittees are underway to better understand the potential improvements in the San Dieguito River WMA on the basis of reference receiving water conditions in the San Diego region. Reference receiving water conditions are determined by assessing the water quality in areas with minimal human impact. These conditions will provide important background for understanding and characterization of the health of receiving waters affected by human activities (SCCWRP, 2010). Copermittees have committed funds to study bacteria and other stressors throughout the San Diego region in the natural environment under both wet and dry weather conditions to better inform solutions and regulations.

Given current regulations, the Bacteria TMDL, monitoring data, and public input, bacteria are a concern in the WMA receiving waters that are well documented and a potential threat to public health. Since the Bacteria TMDL was adopted in 2011, the Responsible Agencies have been developing strategies and programs to address bacteria and to maintain the Contact Water Recreation (REC-1) beneficial use throughout the San Dieguito River WMA. In addition to the regional reference studies, studies are underway to evaluate the sources and risks of bacteria to human health. The WMA strategies included in Section 4 to target bacteria provide secondary benefits to water quality by potentially reducing other pollutants and stressors. Most of the strategies that will be implemented through this Water Quality Improvement Plan are expected to address multiple receiving water conditions.

The Responsible Agencies are responsible for controlling their MS4 discharges and the impact of these discharges on the receiving waters. The potential improvement in MS4 discharge quality and how it will impact the health of the overall WMA is often unclear. In addition to the MS4 discharges, many factors, such as discharges outside the Responsible Agencies' jurisdiction, natural conditions, and climatic conditions such as drought, influence the receiving water quality. The previous MS4 Permit monitoring program design began to link the MS4 outfall data to the quality of downstream receiving waters and generated a limited data set that can begin to correlate MS4 impacts to receiving water conditions. However, the contributions from MS4 discharges for certain priority conditions are not well known, and therefore their potential for improvement is unknown. These limitations were considered to be data gaps for these priority water quality conditions and are described in Section 2.3.3.

2.3.2 Priority Water Quality Conditions

The identified priority water quality conditions are summarized in Appendix F. The following information is included for each priority water quality condition, per the MS4 Permit:

- (1) The beneficial use impairment(s) associated with the priority water quality condition
- (2) The pollutant or stressor causing the beneficial use impairment, if known
- (3) The temporal extent of the priority water quality condition (dry and/or wet weather)
- (4) The geographical extent of the priority water quality condition within the WMA, if known
- (5) Lines of evidence leading to identification as a priority water quality condition, including evidence of MS4 discharges that may cause or contribute to the condition
- (6) An assessment of the adequacy of the monitoring data to characterize the factors causing or contributing to the priority water quality condition, including consideration of spatial and temporal variation

The impaired beneficial use, potential stressor, temporal extent of the priority water quality condition, lines of evidence clarifying the selection as a priority water quality condition (i.e., determining factors), and data gaps were determined during the assessment of the receiving water conditions and the MS4 impacts. Data gaps are discussed in more detail in Section 2.3.3. The geographical extent of the priority water quality conditions is based on the extent of the associated 303(d) listing or the location of the associated NPDES monitoring location. For each priority water quality condition, the associated Responsible Agencies were determined through an analysis of the geographical extent of the condition and jurisdictional boundaries.

2.3.3 Priority Water Quality Condition Data Gaps and Considerations

From a review of the priority water quality conditions presented in Appendix F, some of monitoring data associated with a number of conditions are not adequate to represent the spatial and temporal variations of the conditions. Additionally, there may be other considerations that should be taken into account when analyzing the data gaps. The priority water quality conditions with data gaps and considerations, where applicable, are as follows:

- ❖ Impairment of Municipal and Domestic Supply beneficial use (MUN) in the San Dieguito River Above Sutherland Reservoir:
 - There are no monitoring data for this region or data provided by the public as evidence of receiving water impairment.
 - It is unknown whether MS4 discharges cause or contribute to the receiving water condition.
- ❖ Impairment of Agricultural Supply beneficial use (AGR) in the San Dieguito River Above Lake Hodges:
 - There are limitations to the receiving monitoring data used to evaluate the receiving water condition for the 303(d) listed waterbodies; and no NPDES receiving water monitoring locations were located in Cloverdale Creek.
 - It is unknown whether MS4 discharges cause or contribute to the receiving water condition.

Considerations

- The Commercial Agricultural entities monitor their activities, facilities, and discharges in accordance with the current Agricultural Waiver issued by the Regional Board.
- Responsible Agencies may collaborate with the agricultural agencies to address water quality concerns in the WMA and potential contribution from the MS4 discharges.
- ❖ Impairment of Warm Freshwater habitat beneficial use (WARM) in the San Dieguito River Above Lake Hodges:
 - The receiving water condition is not well characterized, and no NPDES receiving water monitoring locations were located in Cloverdale Creek.
 - The physical and biological contributions to the impairments have not been characterized.
 - MS4 outfall monitoring conducted under previous MS4 Permit monitoring programs varied the suite of potential pollutants or stressors analyzed or did not include stressors monitored in the receiving waters, based on priorities at the time of program development.

- It is unknown whether MS4 discharges cause or contribute to the receiving water condition.
- ❖ Impairment of MUN in the San Dieguito River Above Lake Hodges:
 - There are limitations to the receiving monitoring data used to evaluate the receiving water condition for the 303(d) listed waterbodies, and no NPDES receiving water monitoring locations were located in 303(d) listed waterbodies of Felicita Creek and Lake Hodges.
 - It is unknown whether MS4 discharges cause or contribute to the receiving water condition; MS4 data collected on the subwatershed level do not directly link outfall discharges with the impairment, and no MS4 outfalls were directly discharging to the listed waterbodies, including Felicita Creek, Green Valley Creek, and Lake Hodges; this is particularly important in Lake Hodges, where natural processes in the lake may be contributing to the color and eutrophic conditions impairment.

Considerations

- For pollutants such as TDS and nutrients, groundwater may be a contributing source, as noted throughout the San Diego region (City of San Diego, 2011).
- Ongoing studies led by the respective water agencies and watershed management entities are characterizing the receiving water conditions and nutrient loads; these studies include the conceptual design of an upland natural treatment system to reduce pollutant loads being directed into the reservoir as well as in-reservoir water quality management strategies and practices; resulting reports and data derived from the studies will be considered in future revisions of the Water Quality Improvement Plan.
- Responsible Agencies will collaborate with the water agencies to address water quality concerns in the WMA and potential contributions from the MS4 discharges.
- ❖ Potential Impairment of REC-1 in the San Dieguito River Above Lake Hodges:
 - No MS4 data collected on the subwatershed level directly link outfall discharges with the impairment.
 - The magnitude of the contribution from the MS4 is unknown.

Considerations

- Historically, Lake Hodges has recorded flow that breaches the dam during wet weather conditions; it is unknown whether these overflows cause or contribute to exceedances at the Pacific Ocean Shoreline.
- The water agencies are developing a plan to limit or redirect overflows that would eliminate this condition; this plan will be updated upon completion of such a project.

❖ Impairment of REC-1 San Dieguito River Below Lake Hodges:

- No MS4 data collected on the subwatershed level directly link outfall discharges with the impairment.
- The magnitude of the contribution from the MS4 is unknown.

Considerations

- Assembly Bill (AB) 411 (Beach Safety Act) monitoring data show that bacteria levels at the Pacific Ocean Shoreline are meeting water quality standards during dry weather; this monitoring program may not monitor at a consistent frequency during the wet season because of restricted funding; the Bacteria TMDL states that compliance is met if the receiving water is meeting the water quality standards.

❖ Impairment of WARM in the San Dieguito River Below Lake Hodges:

- The receiving water condition is not well characterized; there are limitations to the data used to evaluate the receiving water condition for the San Dieguito River; in particular, the physical and biological contributions to the impairments have not been characterized.
- There are limitations to the MS4 outfall data used to evaluate the potential contribution from the MS4 discharges for the listed waterbodies; MS4 outfall monitoring conducted under previous MS4 Permit monitoring programs varied the suite of potential pollutants or stressors analyzed or did not include stressors monitored in the receiving waters, based on priorities at the time of program development.
- It is unknown whether MS4 discharges cause or contribute to the receiving water condition.

2.4 Step 4: Determine Highest Priority Water Quality Conditions

Once the list of priority water quality conditions was developed, “a subset of the water quality conditions (pursuant to Provision B.2.c(1))” were identified as the highest priorities. The MS4 Permit provides the Copermittees with the discretion to justify the highest priority water quality conditions for program development and implementation, on the basis of a number of factors, including the potential to improve watershed health, available resources, and best professional judgment. The methodology used to select the priority and highest priority water quality conditions is described in Appendix A. According to the methodology, the highest priority water quality conditions are priority water quality conditions that are either (1) associated with a TMDL, ASBS requirements, or other water quality regulations, or (2) have been elevated to highest priority, based on an evaluation of four additional selection criteria (discussed later in this section). Each priority water quality condition identified in Appendix F was screened against these criteria and the results are summarized below.

The highest priority water quality condition in the San Dieguito River WMA is the potential impairment of REC-1 beneficial uses at the Pacific Ocean Shoreline (Table 2-5). The highest priority water quality condition is associated with the Bacteria TMDL and includes research conducted and programs implemented to reduce the contribution of MS4 discharges to bacteria impairments. The bacteria impairment has the greatest potential for near-term improvement in water quality that can be achieved by controlling discharges from the MS4. Over the past five years, tremendous effort has been invested by the Responsible Agencies to develop and plan BMPs to control bacteria.

Table 2-5
Highest Priority Water Quality Conditions in the San Dieguito River WMA

Highest Priority Condition	Potential Stressor	Temporal Extent		Subwatershed
		Wet	Dry	
Potential impairment of contact water recreation beneficial use (REC-1) at Pacific Ocean Shoreline	Indicator bacteria	✓	–	San Dieguito River Above Lake Hodges
Potential impairment of REC-1 at Pacific Ocean Shoreline	Indicator bacteria	✓	✓	San Dieguito River Below Lake Hodges

The highest priority water quality condition applies to the two western (downstream) subwatersheds in the WMA during wet weather because of the potential for flow to the shoreline from the area above Lake Hodges and below the Sutherland Reservoir. Sutherland Reservoir and the area within the WMA that discharges to Sutherland Reservoir are disconnected by dams from the lower watershed and are not suspected of contributing to the bacteria impairment. During dry weather, the highest priority water quality condition is applicable only in the San Dieguito River Below Lake Hodges subwatershed because the Lake Hodges dam typically does not overflow during dry weather. The selection of the highest water quality conditions with indicator bacteria as the potential stressor will provide water quality benefits to the remaining priority water quality conditions. The strategies described in Section 4 will help address other priority water quality conditions, because many of the strategies needed to reduce bacteria also target other pollutants.

Priority water quality conditions not associated with regulatory drivers were further considered for elevation to a highest priority, on the basis of four additional factors:

- (1) The supporting data set is sufficient to adequately characterize the degree to which the priority water quality condition changes seasonally and over geographic area, which supports its consideration as a highest priority water quality condition.
- (2) Storm water/non-storm water runoff is a predominant source for the priority water quality condition.
- (3) The priority water quality condition is controllable by the Responsible Agencies.
- (4) The priority water quality condition would not be addressed by strategies identified for other highest priority water quality conditions in this Water Quality Improvement Plan.

Each of these additional factors must be evaluated to determine whether the priority water quality condition should be elevated to a highest priority water quality condition. Appendix F summarizes the evaluation of the priority water quality conditions not associated with a regulatory driver. This analysis determined that most of the priority water quality conditions will be addressed by strategies applicable to the highest priority water quality conditions, and therefore provides justification for not elevating these conditions to highest priority. Furthermore, for some priority water quality conditions, there is a lack of data to adequately characterize the condition and to definitively state that storm water or non-storm water runoff is the predominant cause of the condition. These data gaps are discussed in Section 2.3.3, and again justify not elevating these conditions to highest priority. When additional data become available to assess these priority water quality conditions, the data will be incorporated per the iterative and adaptive management processes described in Section 6, and the conditions may be re-evaluated for potential elevation to highest priority. This Water Quality Improvement Plan is designed to concentrate efforts on the highest priority water quality conditions, and simultaneously to develop programs to address the other priority water quality conditions.

3 MS4 Sources of Pollutants and/or Stressors

The previous section of this Water Quality Improvement Plan described the process for selecting the highest priority water quality conditions in the San Dieguito River Watershed Management Area. The highest priority water quality condition is the potential limitation of the water contact recreation beneficial use along the Pacific Ocean Shoreline at the San Dieguito Lagoon Mouth. This impairment is due to the presence of *Enterococcus* and fecal coliform indicating impairments in the following subwatersheds:

- ❖ San Dieguito River Above Lake Hodges (wet weather only)
- ❖ San Dieguito River Below Lake Hodges (wet and dry weather)

As shown in the graphic below, the second step of the Water Quality Improvement Plan (“Sources”) is to identify and prioritize sources of stressors in the San Dieguito River WMA (Provision B.2.d). Source identification and prioritization in this Water Quality Improvement Plan are based upon the source assessments previously conducted as a part of the 2011 LTEA and as refined by the 2012 WURMP Annual Report.



The highest priority MS4 sources potentially contributing to the bacteria impairment in the San Dieguito River WMA are Residential Areas and Sanitary Sewer Overflows/Septic Systems. The goal of the source analysis is to identify and prioritize sources on the basis of the MS4 Permit requirements. It is not required or intended to be an independent source characterization.

Figure 3-1 outlines the process for identifying MS4 sources potentially of contributing to the highest priority water quality conditions (Step 1) and the method for prioritizing the sources (Step 2). Data gaps identified as part of the source identification are highlighted to guide future analysis. As more source information is gathered, the source identification process may be refined, as described in the iterative and adaptive management processes in Section 6, and source priorities may vary by Responsible Agency.

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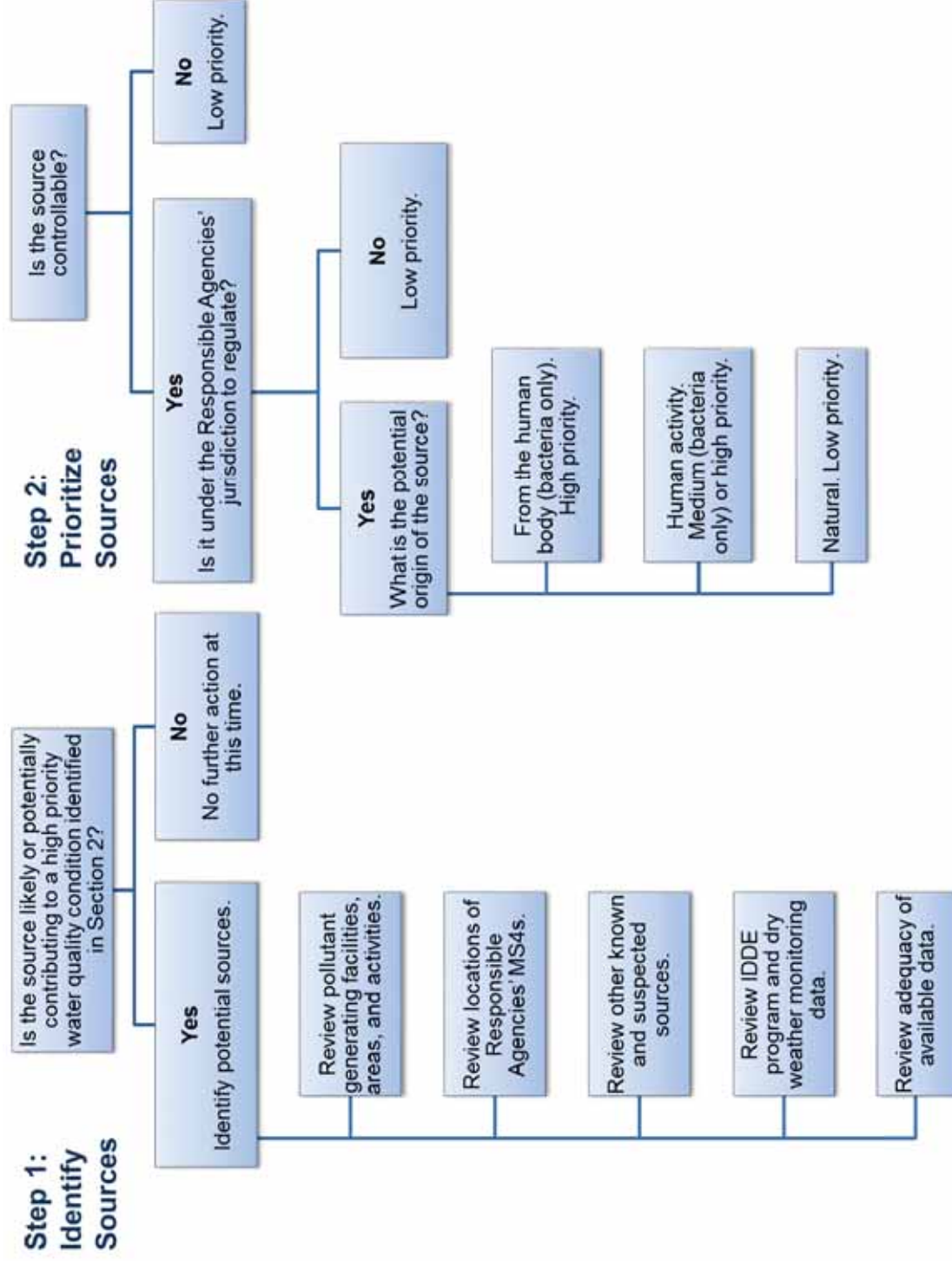


Figure 3-1
Highest Priority Water Quality Conditions Source Identification Process
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3.1 Step 1: Identification of Bacteria Sources

Per the MS4 Permit (Provision B.2.d), identification of sources of bacteria was based on the following five considerations:

- (1) Pollutant-generating facilities, areas, and activities within the WMA
- (2) Locations of the Responsible Agencies' MS4s
- (3) Other known or suspected sources of non-storm water or pollutants in storm water discharges to receiving waters
- (4) Available data from the Responsible Agencies' monitoring and IDDE
- (5) Adequacy of available data

Seven primary resources provided the information for these considerations:

- (1) 2011 LTEA, as described in Section 2
- (2) 2010–2011 WURMP Annual Report, as described in Section 2
- (3) 2011–2012 WURMP Annual Report, as described in Section 2
- (4) Maps of the MS4 system maintained by each Responsible Agency
- (5) JURMP Annual Reports submitted by the Responsible Agencies, which contain agency-specific monitoring data and IDDE data, including the identification of outfalls that persistently flow during dry weather; the most recent JURMP Annual Reports were utilized (City of Del Mar, 2010; City of Escondido, 2012; City of Poway, 2012; City of San Diego, 2012b; City of Solana Beach, 2012; County of San Diego, 2010 and 2012)
- (6) The Bacterial Conceptual Models and Literature Review that were developed by the San Diego County Municipal Copermittees in 2012 (City of San Diego, 2012a); this appendix is duplicated as Appendix G in this Water Quality Improvement Plan
- (7) Stakeholder input

Additional data sources were used to augment the primary sources and a complete list is provided in Appendix D. Examples of additional sources are the Bacteria TMDL (Regional Board, 2010) and the 2010 303(d) list.

3.1.1 Bacteria-Generating Facilities, Areas, and Activities Within the WMA

The LTEA evaluated the known bacteria-generating facilities, areas, and activities in the San Diego region, which are defined as follows:

- ❖ A **facility** is a type of existing development, such as a commercial or industrial business, a parking structure, a municipal airfield, or a landfill; an MS4 is considered to be a facility.
- ❖ An **area** is a communal area such as the trash dumpsters in a commercial strip mall, an open space, a wildlife preserve, or a residential neighborhood.
- ❖ **Activities** are practices such as irrigation, portable toilet cleaning, storage of pet wastes, and fertilizer use (Regional Board, 2013).

To identify sources, the LTEA evaluated the available wet and dry weather monitoring data and IDDE program results, as well as the adequacy of the data. The sources were scored using a matrix that accounted for the number of pollutant-generating activities associated with each source (in categories of 0, 1-4, and >4 activities) and the potential for wet weather discharge from each source (from 1 = no discharge potential to 5 = high discharge potential). These scores were then converted into the following qualitative loading potentials:

- ❖ **None (N)** denotes sources with no identified pollutant-generating activities and low discharge potential.
- ❖ **Unknown (UK)** denotes sources with one or more identified pollutant-generating activities, but very low discharge potential.
- ❖ **Unlikely (UL)** denotes sources with no pollutant-generating activities but high discharge potential, or sources with moderate discharge potential and one or more pollutant-generating activities.
- ❖ **Likely (L)** denotes sources with high discharge potential and identified pollutant-generating activities.

Beginning with the sources identified in the 2007 MS4 Permit and updating the list with the most recent inventory, the 2011 LTEA evaluated 37 facilities, areas, and activities (sources), and identified a number of likely sources of bacteria. The WURMP Annual Reports identify the likely sources from the LTEA that are found within the San Dieguito River WMA, as well as the quantity of each source. These sources, land use categories, and quantities are summarized in Table 3-1. Sources classified as having an unknown loading potential in the 2011 LTEA are included in the assessment of the adequacy of available data (Section 3.1.6).

Table 3-1
Likely Sources of Bacteria Identified in WURMP Annual Reports

Source	Land Use Category	Number of Identified Likely Sources in San Dieguito River WMA ¹
Agriculture	Other	2 facilities (30,419 acres)
Animal Facilities	Commercial	49 facilities
Eating or Drinking Establishments	Commercial	420 facilities
Mobile Landscaping	Commercial	3 facilities
Nurseries and Greenhouses	Commercial	34 facilities
Roads, Streets, and Parking	Municipal	2 facilities (6,723 acres)
Residential Areas	Residential	38,988 acres

1. Sources are quantified by facility counts or acreage. Facility counts help define the sources during dry weather and land uses help define sources during wet weather.

3.1.2 Other Known and Suspected Sources

Other sources outside of the jurisdiction of the Responsible Parties have been identified that may contribute to the bacteria impairment within the San Dieguito River WMA. Discharges from these sources are often conveyed to receiving waters by the Responsible Agencies' MS4s. The principal sources outside the Responsible Agencies' jurisdiction, which are described below, are:

- ❖ Phase II MS4 outfalls
- ❖ Other permitted discharges
- ❖ Other potential point sources
- ❖ Other non-point sources

The San Dieguito WMP identifies two main threats to water quality in the San Dieguito River WMA, both of which can include contributions from outside the Responsible Agencies' jurisdictions (City of San Diego, 2006):

- ❖ Increased development, resulting in an increase of impermeable surfaces and associated increase in urban and storm water runoff discharges
- ❖ Agricultural and turf-related activities, which have the potential to contribute sediments, nutrients, pesticides, and bacteria to the watershed

Phase II MS4s

Phase II MS4s are smaller agencies (relative to municipalities) or areas that are regulated under the State's Phase II MS4 General Permit (State Board Order No. 2013-0001-DWG) (State Board, 2013a). They are outside the authority of the Responsible Agencies and, within the San Diego region, can include, but are not limited to, correctional, transit, educational, and federal facilities. Phase II MS4 permittees are responsible for only the runoff from their facilities and activities, whereas the Responsible Agencies are responsible for receiving runoff from other sources. Some Phase II MS4s have been named in the Bacteria TMDL (Regional Board, 2010). Contribution from Phase II MS4s is a suspected source of bacteria in both storm water and dry weather non-storm water discharges.

The San Dieguito River WMA has two Phase II MS4s:

- ❖ Del Mar Fairgrounds—This facility (identified as the San Diego County Fairgrounds in the Phase II MS4 Permit) is operated by the 22nd DAA and includes a racetrack, fairgrounds, and horse park. The facility has had exceedances of water quality objectives in its discharges for bacteria during wet weather (22nd DAA, 2012).
- ❖ North County Transit District (NCTD)—The facilities of the NCTD, which operates bus, light rail, and traditional rail lines, include rail yards and tracks. More information is needed to determine whether NCTD is a source of bacteria.

The Responsible Agencies will collaborate with the Regional Board and Phase II MS4s when possible to collect data to quantify the contribution of Phase II MS4s to the bacteria impairments.

Other Permitted Discharges

Other permitted discharges, such as discharges covered under the State's General Construction Permit (Order No. 2012-0006-DWQ) (State Board, 2012a) and the General Industrial Permit (Order No. 2014-0057-DWQ) (State Board, 2014), may also contribute to the bacteria impairment. Industrial waste treatment facilities, for example, have been identified as a potential point source of bacteria. Agricultural discharges, which are generally covered under a conditional discharge waiver from the Regional Board, are discussed below as an example of non-point source discharges. Such discharges may be conveyed to receiving waters by the Responsible Agencies' MS4s.

In addition to the MS4 Permit, four other types of storm water discharge permits are present within the San Dieguito River WMA, as presented in Table 3-2.

Table 3-2
Storm Water Discharge Permits

Permit Type	Number of Permits in WMA
Municipal Storm Water	1
Industrial Storm Water	22 ¹
Construction Storm Water	58 ¹
California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) Storm Water	1
Other Individual National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) Discharges	5
Total	87

Sources: State Board, 2011a; State Board, 2011b

1. Number of individual permittees filing under statewide general permit.

Construction sites and waste management sites have also been identified as significant point sources of bacteria in the San Diego region (Regional Board, 2010). Although there are four municipal landfills and one waste transfer station above Lake Hodges in the San Dieguito River WMA (CalRecycle, 2013), none were identified as likely sources of bacteria in the 2012 WURMP Annual Report. Additional data are necessary to determine whether landfills and other permitted discharges are a source of bacteria in the San Dieguito River WMA. The Responsible Agencies will collaborate with the Regional Board and other permitted dischargers when possible to collect data to quantify their contributions to the bacteria impairment.

Other Point Sources

A point source is a discrete conveyance, such as a pipe or ditch, that may discharge pollutants from a specific area or facility. Private outfalls are point sources that may discharge bacteria to the MS4 or receiving waters; however, no private outfalls have been identified by the Responsible Agencies in the San Dieguito River WMA.

Other Non-Point Sources

Non-point sources typically flow over land and discharge to receiving waters over a broad or non-discrete area, as opposed to a point location. Potential non-point source discharges that may be outside the jurisdiction of the Responsible Agencies include wildlife, agriculture, transient encampments, sewage infrastructure, biofilm regrowth, and other natural sources (City of San Diego, 2009; City of San Diego, 2012a; Regional Board, 2013).

The Bacteria TMDL identifies wildlife areas, which include open space land uses and are sometimes not under the jurisdiction of Responsible Agencies, as sources of bacteria. The wildlife areas partially account for bacteria contributions from wild animals and decaying plant sources.

During wet weather, storm water runoff may carry bacteria from agricultural lands to the MS4. Per the Bacteria TMDL, bacteria carried by agricultural discharges that enter the MS4 conveyance system are considered to be controllable by the MS4s. Agricultural sites operate under a conditional discharge waiver from the Regional Board (Resolution No. R9-2007-0104), meaning that they are exempt from the discharge requirements of the current MS4 Permit (Regional Board, 2007). This waiver expired in 2014, and a new Agricultural Order is expected to go into effect in 2015. A draft tentative order detailing waste discharge requirements for commercial agricultural and nursery operations was released by the Regional Board on January 17, 2014. Under the conditional waiver, agricultural operators may form monitoring groups to monitor water quality and report monitoring results to the Regional Board. One monitoring group currently operates in the San Dieguito River WMA. The Responsible Agencies will look for opportunities to collaborate with the Regional Board and agricultural dischargers when possible and appropriate.

The Bacteria Conceptual Model (City of San Diego, 2012a) identifies transient encampments as a bacteria source that can directly discharge bacteria from human origins to receiving waters. Transient encampments are temporarily located in both municipal and open space land uses. The issues raised by transient encampments are socio-economic by nature. Addressing the sources of homelessness requires coordination with law enforcement, social services, and the legal community. Sources related to sewage infrastructure (such as sewer collection systems, sanitary sewer overflows, illicit discharges to the sewer system, and septic tanks) have also been identified by the Responsible Agencies as potential sources of bacteria. Additionally, during dry periods, bacteria can regrow within the MS4 and create biofilms (City of San Diego, 2012a). These sources may be found within the San Dieguito River WMA and are considered to be under the jurisdiction of the Responsible Agencies.

The contribution of groundwater into the MS4 through infiltration and receiving waters at areas where the groundwater table reaches surface water (rising groundwater) may also be considered a non-point source for freshwater discharges (Regional Board, 2010). During dry weather, bacteria may enter the MS4 or receiving waters through groundwater infiltration or irrigation runoff into municipal drainage channels (County of Los Angeles, 2010).

3.1.3 Locations of the Responsible Agencies' MS4s

The MS4 maps discussed in Section 2 were reviewed as part of the source identification process because the MS4 can convey bacteria from the sources discussed previously to the receiving waters. The San Dieguito River Below Lake Hodges and San Dieguito River Above Lake Hodges subwatersheds have a similar number of major MS4 outfalls. The San Dieguito River Above Sutherland Reservoir subwatershed has no major MS4 outfalls, which is consistent with the fact that it has the lowest percentage of urban land uses

3.1.4 IDDE Program and Dry Weather Monitoring Data

In addition to the evaluation in the LTEA, data from the IDDE program and receiving water monitoring programs were reviewed to identify persistent dry weather flows and illicit discharges by the Responsible Agencies' MS4s. Dry weather field screening, inspections, and complaint responses have been shown to be effective means of detecting and eliminating illicit discharges (San Diego County Municipal Copermittees, 2011b).

Dry Weather Field Screening and Persistent Flow

Dry weather field screening data collected as part of the MS4 Permit's transitional monitoring program were also considered on the basis of dry weather persistent flows, where available. Flow during dry weather may result from permitted, allowed, or illegal discharges. Dry weather flow provides a mechanism for transport of bacteria from facilities, areas, or activities to receiving waters.

Per the MS4 Permit Provision D.2.a(2)(b)(iv),

"Persistent flow is defined as the presence of flowing, pooled, or ponded water more than 72 hours after a measureable rainfall event of 0.1 inch or greater during three consecutive monitoring and/or inspection events. All other flowing, pooled, or ponded water is considered transient."

Based on a review of the MS4 outfall map in Section 2, the Responsible Agencies have identified a total of 43 major MS4 outfalls in the San Dieguito River Below Lake Hodges subwatershed and 45 major MS4 outfalls in the San Dieguito River Above Lake Hodges subwatershed. No major outfalls were identified in the San Dieguito River Above Sutherland Reservoir subwatershed. The Responsible Agencies have identified 18 major MS4 outfalls in the San Dieguito River WMA that may persistently discharge non-storm water. These outfalls are presented in Appendix D.3.

Facility Inspections

Facility inspections complement the IDDE program and include informing the public about storm water and dry weather runoff. Inspections also detect potential dry weather flows discharging from facilities. Inspections may confirm whether specific types of facilities are significant sources of bacteria. Although information is available on facility inspections based on the previous permit JURMP annual reporting requirements, the JURMP data assessment did not provide detailed information linking facility inspections to sources of bacteria. Each inspection notes which BMPs are being used and where the inspection takes place. Section 5 (Monitoring and Assessment) and Section 6 (Iterative Approach) describe how JURMP report requirements will be used to answer water quality-related questions by providing more detail on the individual inspections.

Storm Water Complaints

The Responsible Agencies have implemented regional and jurisdictional storm water telephone hotlines since the issuance of Order R9-2001-01 in 2001. Members of the public may call in complaints to the Regional Hotline (maintained by the County of San Diego) or report them online; the County of San Diego then refers the complaints to the appropriate jurisdiction for follow-up. In addition, jurisdictions respond to complaints received on their own telephone hotlines. Complaints received via the hotlines have helped Responsible Agencies identify and eliminate illicit discharges, particularly during dry weather (San Diego County Municipal Copermittees, 2011b).

As with facility inspections, storm water complaints were reported annually on the basis of the previous permit JURMP annual reporting requirements, but the JURMP data assessment did not provide detailed information linking storm water complaints and IDDE investigations to sources. Section 5 (Monitoring and Assessment) and Section 6 (Iterative Approach) describe how JURMP report requirements will be used to better report the water quality-related data associated with storm water complaints and their related follow-up IDDE investigations.

3.1.5 Summary of Bacteria Sources

Eleven known or suspected sources of bacteria were identified in the San Dieguito River WMA, as presented in Table 3-3. Bacteria sources were identified on the basis of the available information and the considerations required by the MS4 Permit, as described above.

The Bacteria TMDL states that sources of bacteria may be the same in wet and dry weather. However, while the sources may be the same, the transport mechanisms are different. During wet weather, bacteria are discharged to the MS4 and then to the receiving waters via storm water runoff, which is spread over a general area and can be represented by land use. During dry weather, discharges are conveyed by means of non-storm water runoff (including illicit discharges, irrigation runoff, groundwater infiltration, and permitted discharges) associated with specific facilities, areas, or activities. Moreover, sources have different discharge potential under wet and dry conditions. For example, pollutants associated with roadways are almost certain to

enter the MS4 during wet weather, but will discharge to receiving waters only under dry conditions if non-storm water flow is present. The different wet and dry weather transport mechanisms require varying strategies to address the impairment. Consequently, both wet and dry weather sources have been identified in this section, and strategies to address the different transport mechanisms are discussed in Section 4.

Sources were also categorized by land use, using the Responsible Agencies' inventory of facilities and land uses, to help develop the goals, strategies, and schedules described in Section 4.

Table 3-3 presents facilities, areas, and activities identified by the Responsible Agencies as known or suspected sources of bacteria, and typical land uses that were associated with the sources as part of the identification process.

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**Table 3-3
Sources of Bacteria in the San Dieguito River WMA**

Known or Suspected Source	Land Uses							
	Construction	Commercial	Industrial	Municipal	Residential	Parks and Recreation Areas	Open Space	Landfills Other ¹
Facility								
Nurseries and Greenhouses	–	✓	–	✓	–	✓	–	– ✓
Eating and Drinking Establishments	–	✓	–	✓	–	✓	–	– ✓
Animal Facilities	–	✓	–	✓	–	–	–	– ✓
Area								
Residential Areas	–	–	–	–	✓	–	–	– ✓
Roads, Streets, and Parking Areas	–	✓	✓	✓	–	✓	–	– ✓
Agriculture	–	–	–	✓	✓	–	–	– ✓
Activity								
Mobile Landscaping	–	✓	–	✓	✓	✓	–	– –

Table 3-3 (continued)
Sources of Bacteria in the San Dieguito River WMA

Known or Suspected Source	Land Uses								
	Construction	Commercial	Industrial	Municipal	Residential	Parks and Recreation Areas	Open Space	Landfills	Other ¹
Non-WURMP Identified Sources ²									
Bacteria Regrowth and Biofilms	–	–	–	✓	–	–	–	–	✓
Transient Encampments	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	✓
Sanitary Sewer Overflows and Septic Systems	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	–	–	✓
Wildlife	–	–	–	✓	–	✓	✓	✓	✓

1. Other sources are those outside of the Responsible Agencies' jurisdictions and regulatory authorities; see Section 3.1.2.
2. Sources not identified in the WURMP have been categorized separately because this information has not been subject to the same regulatory review process as have the WURMP-identified sources.

3.1.6 Adequacy of Available Data

The Copermittees' monitoring and inspections programs, along with the MS4 inventory, provide sufficient data to categorize the known or suspected sources of bacteria within the San Dieguito River WMA. However, additional potential sources have been identified during the source identification that cannot be directly linked to bacteria MS4 contributions on the basis of the data available. The contributions of these potential sources to bacteria concentrations in the MS4 are unknown. Table 3-4 presents potential sources that require additional data to determine whether they are likely contributors to impairments within the San Dieguito River WMA.

Table 3-4
Potential Bacteria Sources with Data Gaps

Potential Source with Unknown Magnitude of Impact	Potential Origin of the Source	Source of Data ¹
General Industrial Facilities	Human activity	WURMP
Land Surface Erosion from Municipal, Industrial, and Hazardous Waste Sites	Human body, human activity, and natural	CLRP ²
Motor Freight	Human body and human activity	WURMP
Offices	Human activity	WURMP
Parks and Recreation (Including Golf Courses, Cemeteries)	Human body, human activity, and natural	WURMP
Pest Control Services	Human activity	WURMP
Reclaimed Water Use	Human activity	CLRP ²
Vehicle Storage	Human activity	WURMP

1. Potential sources in the WURMP are those classified as “unknown” by the LTEA; the WURMP source name terminology is used.

2. CLRP = Tecolote Watershed Comprehensive Load Reduction Plan (City of San Diego, 2012a).

Additionally, the following sources require further study to determine whether they may be contributing to the bacterial impairment of beneficial uses in the San Dieguito River WMA:

- ❖ Phase II MS4s' contribution of bacteria detailed in Section 3.1.2
- ❖ Non-point source contributions of bacteria detailed in Section 3.1.2
- ❖ Locations and discharge characteristics of private outfalls
- ❖ Persistently-flowing dry weather outfalls from the Responsible Agencies' transitional monitoring program (in progress)

3.2 Step 2: Prioritization of Bacteria Sources

The 2012 USEPA Recreational Water Quality Criteria guidance emphasizes fecal source type as a primary driver of risk (USEPA, 2012b). Based on the USEPA's direction and the findings of Section 3.1, bacteria sources were prioritized according to two factors: (1) the ability of the Responsible Agencies to control the source, and (2) the level of human influence.

To determine whether a potential source is controllable, the following factors were considered: (1) the locations of the MS4s and potential contributing land uses during wet weather, (2) known outlets with persistent dry weather flow, and (3) jurisdictional authority.

The relative level of human influence was evaluated on the basis of the origin of the bacteria and the relationship to urban development and human activity. The levels of fecal indicator bacteria (FIB) in a waterbody can be related to recreational health risks; a non-human-impacted waterbody with high FIB densities can pose less risk for water recreation than a human-impacted waterbody with low FIB densities (Soller et al., 2010; Schoen and Ashbolt, 2010). The three categories of source origin are the human body, human activity, and natural sources. For example, sewage spills and transient encampments contribute discharges of bacteria from human sources; pets and secondary wildlife (i.e., wildlife associated with human presence and habitation) contribute other forms of bacteria as a result of human activity; and wildlife contribute bacteria in open spaces independently of human activity.

The prioritization of the known and suspected sources is described in the following subsections.

3.2.1 Source Controllability

Sources were ranked on the basis of the ability of the Responsible Agency to control the associated discharges. Controllable sources are controllable activities by humans, although in some instances (e.g., agricultural activities), Responsible Agencies have limited jurisdictional authority to regulate them. Most point sources were considered controllable, whereas many non-point sources were not. Controllable sources are those sources that are anthropogenic (i.e., influenced by humans) in origin (Regional Board, 2010).

According to the Bacteria TMDL, controllable sources of bacteria include:

- ❖ Discharges from municipal land uses
- ❖ Discharges from Caltrans
- ❖ Discharges from agricultural land uses that flow into the Responsible Agencies' MS4

Sources that are outside the Responsible Agencies' jurisdictional boundaries, non-point sources that are not considered controllable, and sources over which the Responsible Agencies do not have regulatory authority were considered to be non-controllable, including:

- ❖ Discharges from open space and undeveloped land
- ❖ Wildlife (except secondary wildlife)
- ❖ Bacteria bound in soil and humic material
- ❖ Other natural sources not influenced by human activity

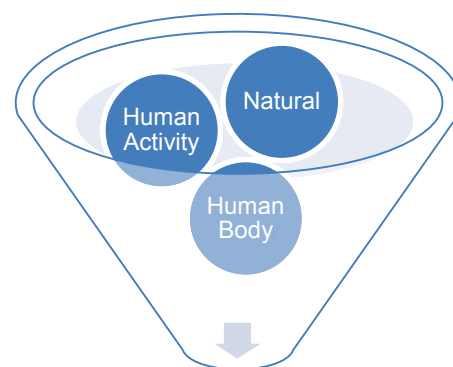
Based on this definition, sources in the San Dieguito River WMA were categorized as follows:

- ❖ Controllable:
 - Discharge is from a municipal land use, Caltrans, or an agricultural land use; or
 - Identified land uses associated with the facility, area, or activity are within the jurisdiction of the Responsible Agencies.
- ❖ Not controllable:
 - Discharge is not from a municipal land use, Caltrans, or an agricultural land use; or
 - No identified land use associated with the facility, area, or activity is within the jurisdiction of the Responsible Agencies.

3.2.2 Level of Human Influence and Source Prioritization

The various bacteria indicators that are used to identify bacteria impairments may originate from humans, animals, or decaying plants. The characterization of sources of bacteria (*Enterococcus* and fecal coliform) based on the level of human influence followed the procedures in the Bacteria Conceptual Model developed for the San Diego County Municipal Copermittees' 2011–2012 Urban Runoff Monitoring Final Report (City of San Diego, 2012a).

The three categories of source origin are the human body, human activity, and natural:



Indicator Bacteria Sources

- ❖ Human body: Bacteria carried or shed by humans (e.g., bather shedding and sewage)

- ❖ Human activity: Sources from non-human anthropogenic origins (not from the human body, but perhaps increased by human influence or activities such as pet waste and secondary wildlife generation)
- ❖ Natural: Sources from non-human non-anthropogenic origins (independent of human influence), such as natural sources, including wildlife and natural plant decay

Sources were ranked on the basis of the category of the bacteria origin. Bacteria sources from the human body were given the highest priority; sources associated with human activity were given medium priority; and sources known or suspected to be natural in origin were given low priority.

For the San Dieguito River WMA, the final prioritization was determined as follows:

- ❖ High:
 - Source is controllable, and
 - Human body is identified as a potential origin.
- ❖ Medium:
 - Source is controllable, and
 - Human activity is identified as a potential origin.
- ❖ Low:
 - Source is not controllable, or
 - Source is controllable and natural is identified as a potential origin.

Table 3-5 presents the prioritization of identified known and suspected sources of bacteria in the San Dieguito River WMA.

**Table 3-5
Prioritized Sources**

Known or Suspected Source	Controllability	Potential Origin of the Source
Area-High		
Residential Areas	Controllable	Human body and human activity
Activity-High		
Sanitary Sewer Overflows and Septic Systems	Controllable	Human body and human activity
Facility-Medium		
Animal Facilities	Controllable	Human activity
Eating and Drinking Establishments	Controllable	Human activity
Nurseries and Greenhouses	Controllable	Human activity
Area-Medium		
Agriculture	Controllable ¹	Human activity
Roads, Streets, Parking	Controllable	Human activity
Activity-Medium		
Mobile Landscaping	Controllable	Human activity
Wildlife (Secondary) ²	Controllable	Human activity
Area-Low		
Transient Encampments	Not Controllable ³	Human body and human activity
Activity-Low		
Wildlife	Not Controllable	Natural
Bacteria Regrowth and Biofilms	Controllable ⁴	Human activity and natural

1. Per the Bacteria TMDL, discharges from agricultural lands that flow into the Copermittee's MS4 are controllable.

2. Secondary wildlife comprises vermin and other wildlife species associated with human presence and habitation.

3. Transient encampments are temporarily located in both municipal and open space land uses. The issues raised by transient encampments are socio-economic by nature. Addressing the sources of homelessness requires coordination with law enforcement, social services, and the legal community. Therefore, it has been designated as an uncontrollable source.

4. Bacteria regrowth is a natural phenomenon that is hard to track or predict. The regrowth of bacteria in pipes is influenced by multiple factors, some that are under the direct control of the MS4s and some that are not.

3.3 Summary of Priority Sources by Responsible Agency

For this iteration of the Water Quality Improvement Plan, the JURMP Annual Reports were reviewed to identify the priority sources found in each of the jurisdictions within the San Dieguito River WMA. These reports are unique to each jurisdiction, and did not consistently categorize the source information in the manner presented below. Consequently, land use information provided in the JURMP Annual Reports was used to determine whether certain source types (agriculture; roads, streets, and parking; and residential sources) were found in the jurisdiction.

The priority sources in each jurisdiction are summarized by Responsible Agency in Table 3-6.

Table 3-6
Summary of Priority Sources by Responsible Agency

Source Type ¹	City of Del Mar	City of Escondido	City of Poway	City of San Diego	City of Solana Beach	County of San Diego
High Priority						
Residential Areas	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Sanitary Sewer Overflows and/or Septic Systems	–	✓	✓	✓	–	✓
Medium Priority						
Agriculture	–	✓	✓	✓	–	✓
Animal Facilities	✓	✓	–	✓	✓	✓
Eating or Drinking Establishments	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Mobile Landscaping	–	✓	✓	✓	–	–
Nurseries/Greenhouses	–	✓	–	✓	✓	✓
Roads, Streets, and Parking	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Wildlife (Secondary) ^{2,3}	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓

Table 3-6 (continued)
Summary of Priority Sources by Responsible Agency

Source Type ¹	City of Del Mar	City of Escondido	City of Poway	City of San Diego	City of Solana Beach	County of San Diego
<i>Low Priority</i>						
Transient Encampments	NA ⁴	NA ⁴	NA ⁴	NA ⁴	NA ⁴	NA ⁴
Bacteria Regrowth and Biofilms ²	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Wildlife ²	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓

1. Agriculture, Roads, Streets, and Parking, and Residential Areas were based on land use in the San Dieguito River WMA rather than the number of identified sources.
2. Assumed to be present in all Copermittee jurisdictions.
3. Secondary wildlife comprises vermin and other wildlife species associated with human presence and habitation.
4. NA = Not available; the number of transient encampments is not currently assessed by jurisdiction because of the challenges in obtaining an accurate count of encampments, which, by definition, are temporary. A point-in-time count is prepared annually by the Regional Task Force on the Homeless, and can be found on their website (<http://www.rtfhsd.org/>).

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4 Water Quality Goals, Strategies, and Schedules

Section 2 established the highest priority water quality condition in the San Dieguito River WMA as the potential impairment of REC-1 beneficial use in the Pacific Ocean Shoreline at the San Dieguito Lagoon Mouth (bacteria impairment). The potential impairments are due to *Enterococcus*, total coliform, and fecal coliform from various discharges in the watershed and other localized sources (e.g., wildlife). Dry weather flows from below Lake Hodges and wet weather flows from the drainage areas above and below Lake Hodges have the potential to influence recreational beneficial use at the Pacific Ocean Shoreline.

Section 3 identified and prioritized sources and stressors potentially contributing to the bacteria impairment in the San Dieguito River WMA by jurisdiction. While the presence of the sources varies by Responsible Agency, the high priority sources likely contributing to the bacteria impairment are residential areas and sanitary sewer/septic system overflows. Medium and low priority sources include agriculture, animal facilities, transient encampments, eating or drinking establishments, mobile landscaping, nurseries/greenhouses, and roads, streets, and parking lots, as well as natural sources.

Section 4 Highlights

- ❖ Goals for the highest priority water quality conditions (Section 4.1)
- ❖ Details on the planned strategies:
 - A description of the nonstructural and structural strategies to be implemented to achieve the goals (Section 4.2). Collaborative strategies will also be highlighted to address the highest priority water quality conditions (Section 4.2.5).
 - Each Responsible Agency's strategies with an implementation Schedule (Appendix I).
- ❖ Specifics of the compliance analysis (Section 4.3), including:
 - A review of anticipated percent load reductions to demonstrate that final goals will be met by implementing the strategies (Section 4.3.1).
 - The schedule for implementation to demonstrate that interim and final goals will be achieved by implementing the strategies (Section 4.3.2).

As shown in the graphic below, the third step of Water Quality Improvement Plan development process is to identify the goals, strategies, and implementation schedules in the San Dieguito River WMA to address sources and stressors that are potentially contributing to the bacteria impairment (Provision B.3).



The following sections presents the goals (Section 4.1) and strategies (Section 4.2) selected by the Responsible Agencies to address the highest priority water quality condition in the San Dieguito River WMA. An analysis to demonstrate progress toward achieving these goals through the proposed strategies and their implementation schedules is presented in Section 4.3.

4.1 Goals

Numeric goals are developed in this section to support Water Quality Improvement Plan implementation, and will be used to measure progress toward addressing the highest priority water quality conditions. Numeric goals may take a variety of forms, but are quantifiable so that progress toward and achievement of the goals are measurable. Each highest priority water quality condition may include multiple criteria or indicators. In accordance with the MS4 Permit and applicable regulatory drivers, final goals and reasonable interim goals have been developed. An interim goal is required for each five-year period from Water Quality Improvement Plan approval to the anticipated final goal compliance date (including an interim goal for this permit term).

Within the San Dieguito River WMA, the Bacteria TMDL dictates the bacteria goals for dry and wet weather to address and attain REC-1 beneficial uses. Although the Pacific Ocean Shoreline segment was removed from the 303(d) list for REC-1 impairment in 2010, calculation of the TMDL had already begun and the segment remained in the TMDL through adoption in 2011. The Pacific Ocean Shoreline segment was then incorporated into the TMDL requirements within the MS4 Permit in 2013. Therefore, the TMDL targets are required to be incorporated into the Water Quality Improvement Plan goals. Appendix H presents the Bacteria TMDL targets and a discussion of the existing conditions at the shoreline. The TMDL model estimates the frequency of water quality objective (WQO) exceedances for wet weather and requires the Responsible Agencies to calculate dry weather exceedances on the basis of historical data. During wet weather, the TMDL model results estimate an almost 50 percent exceedance frequency for all indicator bacteria. Wet weather monitoring data at the shoreline are not available to confirm the model results. To calculate the existing condition for dry weather, an analysis of the available monitoring data collected between 1996 and 2002 (defined as the existing condition in the Bacteria TMDL) resulted in exceedances of WQOs between 6 percent and 17 percent for the three indicator bacteria. If monitoring data support compliance with wet and dry weather TMDL targets, the Responsible Agencies will use

the adaptive management process in Section 6 to identify new highest priority water quality conditions and to develop goals and strategies to address new priorities.

Responsible Agencies must meet the wet weather Bacteria TMDL targets within 20 years of Bacteria TMDL adoption (FY31) and dry weather targets within 10 years (FY21). Bacteria TMDL targets may be met in the receiving water (the TMDL-listed segment), in MS4s discharges, by proving that the MS4 is not causing or contributing to receiving water exceedances, by demonstrating that exceedances are due to loads from natural sources, or by implementing an approved Water Quality Improvement Plan that shows that receiving water or watershed goals will be met.

To mirror TMDL compliance, Water Quality Improvement Plan numeric goals provide multiple compliance pathways within the receiving water or within the watershed. Ultimately, protection of the receiving water is the desired outcome. As discussed in Section 1, discharges from sources other than the Phase I MS4s are outside the jurisdiction and regulatory responsibility of this Water Quality Improvement Plan and may contribute to exceedances of receiving water or watershed goals. Therefore, multiple compliance pathways, including performance-based goals to assess progress on a jurisdictional basis, are included in the Water Quality Improvement Plan numeric goals.

Responsible Agencies developed goals both collaboratively and individually to best address the sources and stressors within the WMA and individual jurisdictions. An individualized approach provides flexibility in selecting interim goals on the basis of jurisdiction-specific strategies and schedules. It also provides the framework for a more accurate assessment of progress toward achieving goals within each jurisdiction. Both performance-based goals and goals based on TMDL targets are included.

Performance-based goals are included to measure short-term jurisdictional progress toward achieving goals, given that sustained water quality improvement is typically demonstrated over a longer timeframe. Performance measures are intended to measure an outcome from a strategy or suite of strategies, and to provide an interim link to demonstrate reasonable incremental progress in the quality of MS4 discharges and receiving waters by FY18. The strategies or suite of strategies presented have been selected because they are measurable and provide a direct benefit in the short term. Section 4.2 and the associated appendices present the full suite of strategies that will be considered for implementation. Section 4.3 presents the anticipated schedule for implementation and the associated load reduction benefit estimated through implementation of the suite of strategies.

Appendix H presents the Bacteria TMDL numeric targets and provides the basis for the Water Quality Improvement Plan numeric goals. The following sections present final and interim numeric goals by jurisdiction.

4.1.1 City of Del Mar Goals

The City of Del Mar Water Quality Improvement Plan interim and final goals for wet and dry weather are presented in Tables 4-1 and 4-2, respectively. Water Quality Improvement Plan interim goals have been identified for each five-year assessment period and include Bacteria TMDL targets. Where Bacteria TMDL targets are not required, interim goals were estimated considering the planning and implementation efforts described in the strategies and schedules discussion (Sections 4.2 and 4.3). Performance-based goals were selected to measure short-term jurisdictional progress toward achieving goals during the current permit cycle.

Strategies that the City of Del Mar will use to achieve the numeric goals are presented in Section 4.2 and include the programs specifically identified in the performance-based goals and associated metrics.

**Table 4-1
Wet Weather Numeric Goals for the City of Del Mar**

Compliance Pathways		Baseline	Goals by Assessment Period and Fiscal Year					
			Current Permit Term (FY14 – FY18)	FY 16-20	FY 21-25	FY 26-30	FY	
			FY18	FY19	FY24 ¹	FY29	FY31 ¹	
Receiving Water % Days Exceeding WQO	Fecal coliform	43% Days Exceeding WQO (2002 TMDL Model)	See performance measures	43% ²	33%	25%	22%	
	Enterococcus	49% Days Exceeding WQO (2002 TMDL Model)		49% ²	36%	26%	22%	
	Total coliform	43% Days Exceeding WQO (2002 TMDL Model)		43% ²	33%	25%	22%	
OR								
MS4 Discharges % Days Exceeding WQO	Fecal coliform	Historical MS4 wet weather data will be used to identify the baseline in the first Water Quality Improvement Plan Annual Report	See performance measures	22%	22%	22%	22%	
	Enterococcus			22%	22%	22%	22%	
	Total coliform			22%	22%	22%	22%	
OR								
MS4 Discharges % Load Reduction	Fecal coliform	0% Load Reduction (2002 TMDL Model)	See performance measures	0.5%	0.7%	1.0%	1.5%	
	Enterococcus			2.5%	3.9%	6.0%	7.7%	
	Total coliform			1.2%	2.2%	3.2%	4.3%	

Table 4-1 (continued)
Wet Weather Numeric Goals for the City of Del Mar

Compliance Pathways	Baseline	Goals by Assessment Period and Fiscal Year					
		Current Permit Term (FY14 – FY18)	FY 16-20	FY 21-25	FY 26-30	FY 31-36	
		FY18	FY19	FY24 ¹	FY29	FY31 ¹	
OR							
# of Direct or Indirect MS4 Discharges to Receiving Water	Discharges	Number of flowing major MS4 outfalls during wet weather monitoring (Section 5.1 of this Water Quality Improvement Plan)	0	0	0	0	
OR							
% of Exceedances of Final Receiving Water WQOs Due to Natural Sources ³	Fecal coliform	Unknown at this time. A detailed source study that differentiates between human and non-human sources would be needed to establish the baseline.	100%	100%	100%	100%	
	<i>Enterococcus</i>		100%	100%	100%	100%	
	Total coliform		100%	100%	100%	100%	
OR							
MS4 Discharges Implement Accepted Water Quality Improvement Plan	Metric for compliance analysis is MS4 discharge % load reduction (above). Interim compliance is implementation of strategies and schedule (presented in Appendix I) based on analysis results. Final compliance is implementation of BMPs based on analysis results and demonstration of compliance with any of the compliance pathways through monitoring and assessment. See Section 4.3.2 for compliance analysis results						

Table 4-1 (continued)
Wet Weather Numeric Goals for the City of Del Mar

Compliance Pathways	Baseline	Goals by Assessment Period and Fiscal Year
		Current Permit Term (FY14 – FY18)
PERFORMANCE MEASURES		
Suite of Strategies to Measure Performance During First Permit Term	Baseline	FY18
Reduce anthropogenic surface dry weather flows ⁴ to address bacteria regrowth contributing during wet weather	Historical anthropogenic surface dry weather flow ⁴ data will be used to identify the baseline in the first Water Quality Improvement Plan Annual Report	10% reduction in anthropogenic surface dry weather flows ⁴ that originate within the City's jurisdictional boundaries

1. Denotes TMDL interim and final target.

2. Denotes existing wet weather frequency as modeled in the Bacteria TMDL. With limited baseline monitoring data available, this goal reflects a reasonable estimate considering the difficulty in demonstrating progress within the receiving water during wet weather in a short amount of time. Furthermore, development and redevelopment of the urban environment has occurred since the Bacteria TMDL baseline loads were calculated in 2001. As such, this goal demonstrates that progress has been made by the Responsible Agencies by maintaining the existing wet weather exceedance frequency.

3. Demonstration of exceedances due to natural sources includes demonstration that pollutant loads from MS4s are not causing or contributing to exceedances.

4. The term “dry weather flows” excludes groundwater, other exempt or permitted non-storm water flows, and sanitary sewer overflows.

% = percent; FY = fiscal year; WQO = Water Quality Objective

All numeric goals are cumulative from the baseline assessment for each fiscal year.

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Table 4-2
Dry Weather Numeric Goals for the City of Del Mar

Compliance Pathways		Baseline	Goals by Assessment Period and Fiscal Year		
			Current Permit Term (FY14-FY18)	FY 16-20	FY 21-25
			FY18	FY19 ¹	FY21 ¹
Receiving Water % Days Exceeding WQO	Fecal coliform	11% Days Exceeding WQO (2002 ²)	See performance measures	5.5%	0%
	Enterococcus	17% Days Exceeding WQO (2002 ²)		8.5%	0%
	Total coliform	6% Days Exceeding WQO (2002 ²)		3%	0%
OR					
MS4 Discharges % Days Exceeding WQO	Fecal coliform	Historical MS4 dry weather data will be used to identify the baseline in the first Water Quality Improvement Plan Annual Report.	See performance measures	0%	0%
	Enterococcus			0%	0%
	Total coliform			0%	0%
OR					
MS4 Discharges % Load Reduction	Fecal coliform	0% Load Reduction (2002 TMDL Model)	See performance measures	10.4%	20.7%
	Enterococcus			41.7%	83.5%
	Total coliform			7.2%	14.4%
OR					
# of Direct or Indirect MS4 Discharges to Receiving Water	Discharges	Number of persistently flowing major MS4 outfalls provided in Section 5.1 of the Monitoring and Assessment Program of this Water Quality Improvement Plan	See performance measures	0	0

Table 4-2 (continued)
Dry Weather Numeric Goals for the City of Del Mar

Compliance Pathways	Baseline		Goals by Assessment Period and Fiscal Year		
			Current Permit Term (FY14-FY18)	FY 16-20	FY 21-25
			FY18	FY19 ¹	FY21 ¹
OR					
% of Exceedances of Final Receiving Water WQOs Due to Natural Sources ³	Fecal coliform	Unknown at this time. A detailed source study that differentiates between human and non-human sources would be needed to establish the baseline.	100%	100%	100%
	<i>Enterococcus</i>		100%	100%	100%
	Total coliform		100%	100%	100%
OR					
MS4 Discharges Implement Accepted Water Quality Improvement Plan	Metric for compliance analysis is MS4 discharge % load reduction (above). Interim compliance is implementation of strategies and schedule (presented in Appendix I) based on analysis results. Final compliance is implementation of BMPs based on analysis results and demonstration of compliance with any of the compliance pathways through monitoring and assessment. See Section 4.3.2 for compliance analysis results.				

**Table 4-2 (continued)
Dry Weather Numeric Goals for the City of Del Mar**

Compliance Pathways	Baseline	Goals by Assessment Period and Fiscal Year
		Current Permit Term (FY14-FY18)
PERFORMANCE MEASURES		
Suite of Strategies to Measure Performance During First Permit Term	Baseline	FY18
Reduce anthropogenic surface dry weather flows ⁴	Historical anthropogenic surface dry weather flow ⁴ data will be used to identify the baseline in the first Water Quality Improvement Plan Annual Report	Reduce anthropogenic surface dry weather water flows ⁴ that originate within the City's jurisdictional boundaries by 10%

1. Denotes TMDL interim and final target.

2. The existing exceedance frequency was calculated on the basis of available monitoring data between 1996 and 2002 per MS4 Permit requirements and presented in more detail in Appendix H.

3. Demonstration of exceedances of final receiving water limitations due to natural sources includes demonstration that pollutant loads from MS4s are not causing or contributing to exceedances.

4. The term “dry weather flows” excludes groundwater, other exempt or permitted non-storm water flows, and sanitary sewer overflows.

All numeric goals are cumulative from the baseline assessment for each fiscal year.

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4.1.2 City of Escondido Goals

The City of Escondido Water Quality Improvement Plan interim and final goals for wet and dry weather are presented in Tables 4-3 and 4-4, respectively. Water Quality Improvement Plan interim goals have been identified for each five-year assessment period and include Bacteria TMDL targets. Where Bacteria TMDL targets are not required, interim goals were estimated considering the planning and implementation efforts described in the strategies and schedules discussion (Sections 4.2 and 4.3). Performance-based goals were selected to measure short-term jurisdictional progress toward achieving goals during the current permit cycle. The City of Escondido's jurisdiction is wholly above Lake Hodges. Because there is little connectivity between Lake Hodges and the highest priority water quality condition at the beach during dry weather, the dry weather Bacteria TMDL targets have not been included as Water Quality Implementation Plan goals (see Section 2.4 for a discussion on the determination of the highest priority water quality condition). However, the City of Escondido has developed dry weather performance measures and associated strategies to focus on the elimination of prohibited dry weather flows. Strategies focusing on dry weather flows have multiple benefits and reduce all pollutants, including bacteria and nutrients, to Lake Hodges.

Strategies that the City of Escondido will use to achieve the numeric goals are presented in Section 4.2 and include the programs specifically identified in the performance-based goals and associated metrics.

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**Table 4-3
Wet Weather Numeric Goals for the City of Escondido**

Compliance Pathways		Baseline	Goals by Assessment Period and Fiscal Year					
			Current Permit Term (FY14 – FY18)	FY 16-20	FY 21-25	FY 26-30	FY 31-36	
			FY18	FY19	FY24 ¹	FY29	FY31 ¹	
Receiving Water % Days Exceeding WQO	Fecal coliform	43% Days Exceeding WQO (2002 TMDL Model)	See performance measures	43% ²	33%	25%	22%	
	Enterococcus	49% Days Exceeding WQO (2002 TMDL Model)		49% ²	36%	26%	22%	
	Total coliform	43% Days Exceeding WQO (2002 TMDL Model)		43% ²	33%	25%	22%	
OR								
MS4 Discharges % Days Exceeding WQO	Fecal coliform	Historical MS4 wet weather data will be used to identify the baseline in the first Water Quality Improvement Plan Annual Report	See performance measures	22%	22%	22%	22%	
	Enterococcus			22%	22%	22%	22%	
	Total coliform			22%	22%	22%	22%	
OR								
MS4 Discharges % Load Reduction	Fecal coliform	0% Load Reduction (2002 TMDL Model)	See performance measures	0.5%	0.7%	1.0%	1.5%	
	Enterococcus			2.5%	3.9%	6.0%	7.7%	
	Total coliform			1.2%	2.2%	3.2%	4.3%	

Table 4-3 (continued)
Wet Weather Numeric Goals for the City of Escondido

Compliance Pathways		Baseline	Goals by Assessment Period and Fiscal Year					
			Current Permit Term (FY14 – FY18)	FY 16-20	FY 21-25	FY 26-30	FY 31-36	
			FY18	FY19	FY24 ¹	FY29	FY31 ¹	
OR								
# of Direct or Indirect MS4 Discharges to Receiving Water	Discharges	Number of flowing major MS4 outfalls during wet weather monitoring (Section 5.1 of this Water Quality Improvement Plan)	See performance measures	0	0	0		
OR								
% of Exceedances of Final Receiving Water WQOs Due to Natural Sources ³	Fecal coliform	Unknown at this time. A detailed source study that differentiates between human and non-human sources would be needed to establish the baseline.	100%	100%	100%	100%		
	<i>Enterococcus</i>		100%	100%	100%	100%		
	Total coliform		100%	100%	100%	100%		
OR								
MS4 Discharges Implement Accepted Water Quality Improvement Plan		Metric for compliance analysis is MS4 discharge % load reduction (above). Interim compliance is implementation of strategies and schedule (presented in Appendix I) based on analysis results. Final compliance is implementation of BMPs based on analysis results and demonstration of compliance with any of the compliance pathways through monitoring and assessment. See Section 4.3.2 for compliance analysis results.						

Table 4-3 (continued)
Wet Weather Numeric Goals for the City of Escondido

Compliance Pathways	Baseline	Goals by Assessment Period and Fiscal Year
		Current Permit Term (FY14 – FY18)
PERFORMANCE MEASURES		
Suite of Strategies to Measure Performance During First Permit Term	Baseline	FY18
Implement and maintain water quality improvement BMPs to target fecal coliform, <i>Enterococcus</i> , total coliform, sediment, and nutrients	NA	4 acres of drainage area treated through restoration of 1 sediment detention basin in a multiuse treatment area at Eagle Scout (formerly Sand) Lake, Kit Carson Park

1. Denotes TMDL interim and final target.
2. Denotes existing wet weather frequency as modeled in the Bacteria TMDL. With limited baseline monitoring data available, this goal reflects a reasonable estimate considering the difficulty in demonstrating progress within the receiving water during wet weather in a short amount of time. Furthermore, development and redevelopment of the urban environment has occurred since the Bacteria TMDL baseline loads were calculated in 2001. As such, this goal demonstrates that progress has been made by the Responsible Agencies by maintaining the existing wet weather exceedance frequency.
3. Demonstration of exceedances of final receiving water limitations due to natural sources includes demonstration that pollutant loads from MS4s are not causing or contributing to exceedances.

All numeric goals are cumulative from the baseline assessment for each fiscal year.

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**Table 4-4
Dry Weather Numeric Goals for the City of Escondido**

Compliance Pathways	Baseline	Goals by Assessment Period and Fiscal Year	
		Current Permit Term (FY14-FY18)	
PERFORMANCE MEASURES			
Suite of Strategies to Measure Performance During First Permit Term	Baseline	FY18	
Reduce dry weather flow in priority drainage area with persistent flow by performing special strategies, including property-based inspections for residents and commercial areas	Historical dry weather flow data will be used to establish a baseline in the first Water Quality Improvement Plan Annual Report	10% flow reduction at priority outfall (HIDG_102)	

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4.1.3 City of Poway Goals

The City of Poway Water Quality Improvement Plan interim and final goals for wet and dry weather are presented in Tables 4-5 and 4-6, respectively. Water Quality Improvement Plan interim goals have been identified for each five-year assessment period and include Bacteria TMDL targets. Where Bacteria TMDL targets are not required, interim goals were estimated considering the planning and implementation efforts described in the strategies and schedules discussion (Sections 4.2 and 4.3). Performance-based goals were selected to measure short-term jurisdictional progress toward achieving goals during the current permit cycle. The City of Poway's jurisdiction is wholly above Lake Hodges. Because there is little connectivity between Lake Hodges and the highest priority water quality condition at the beach during dry weather, the dry weather Bacteria TMDL targets have not been included as Water Quality Implementation Plan goals (see Section 2.4 for a discussion on the determination of the highest priority water quality condition). However, the City of Poway has developed dry weather performance measures and associated strategies to focus on the elimination of prohibited dry weather flows. Strategies focusing on dry weather flows have multiple benefits and reduce all pollutants, including bacteria and nutrients, to Lake Hodges.

Strategies that the City of Poway will use to achieve the numeric goals are presented in Section 4.2 and include the programs specifically identified in the performance-based goals and associated metrics.

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**Table 4-5
Wet Weather Numeric Goals for the City of Poway**

Compliance Pathways		Baseline	Goals by Assessment Period and Fiscal Year					
			Current Permit Term (FY14 – FY18)	FY 16-20	FY 21-25	FY 26-30	FY 31-36	
			FY18	FY19	FY24 ¹	FY29	FY31 ¹	
Receiving Water % Days Exceeding WQO	Fecal coliform	43% Days Exceeding WQO (2002 TMDL Model)	See performance measures	43% ²	33%	25%	22%	
	Enterococcus	49% Days Exceeding WQO (2002 TMDL Model)		49% ²	36%	26%	22%	
	Total coliform	43% Days Exceeding WQO (2002 TMDL Model)		43% ²	33%	25%	22%	
OR								
MS4 Discharges % Days Exceeding WQO	Fecal coliform	Historical MS4 wet weather data will be used to identify the baseline in the first Water Quality Improvement Plan Annual Report	See performance measures	22%	22%	22%	22%	
	Enterococcus			22%	22%	22%	22%	
	Total coliform			22%	22%	22%	22%	
OR								
MS4 Discharges % Load Reduction	Fecal coliform	0% Load Reduction (2002 TMDL Model)	See performance measures	0.5%	0.7%	1.0%	1.5%	
	Enterococcus			2.5%	3.9%	6.0%	7.7%	
	Total coliform			1.2%	2.2%	3.2%	4.3%	
OR								
# of Direct or Indirect MS4 Discharges to Receiving Water	Discharges	Number of flowing major MS4 outfalls during wet weather monitoring (Section 5.1 of this Water Quality Improvement Plan)	See performance measures	0	0	0	0	

Table 4-5 (continued)
Wet Weather Numeric Goals for the City of Poway

Compliance Pathways	Baseline	Goals by Assessment Period and Fiscal Year					
		Current Permit Term (FY14 – FY18)	FY 16-20	FY 21-25	FY 26-30	FY 31-36	
		FY18	FY19	FY24 ¹	FY29	FY31 ¹	
OR							
% of Exceedances of Final Receiving Water WQOs Due to Natural Sources ³	Fecal coliform	Unknown at this time. A detailed source study that differentiates between human and non-human sources would be needed to establish the baseline.	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
	<i>Enterococcus</i>						
	Total coliform						
OR							
MS4 Discharges Implement Accepted Water Quality Improvement Plan	Metric for compliance analysis is MS4 discharge % load reduction (above). Interim compliance is implementation of strategies and schedule (presented in Appendix I) based on analysis results. Final compliance is implementation of BMPs based on analysis results and demonstration of compliance with any of the compliance pathways through monitoring and assessment. See Section 4.3.2 for compliance analysis results.						

1. Denotes TMDL interim and final target.

2. Denotes existing wet weather frequency as modeled in the Bacteria TMDL. With limited baseline monitoring data available, this goal reflects a reasonable estimate considering the difficulty in demonstrating progress within the receiving water during wet weather in a short amount of time. Furthermore, development and redevelopment of the urban environment has occurred since the Bacteria TMDL baseline loads were calculated in 2001. As such, this goal demonstrates that progress has been made by the Responsible Agencies by maintaining the existing wet weather exceedance frequency.

3. Demonstration of exceedances of final receiving water limitations due to natural sources includes demonstration that pollutant loads from MS4s are not causing or contributing to exceedances.

All numeric goals are cumulative from the baseline assessment for each fiscal year.

**Table 4-6
Dry Weather Numeric Goals for the City of Poway**

Compliance Pathways	Baseline	Goals by Assessment Period and Fiscal Year	
		Current Permit Term (FY14-FY18)	
PERFORMANCE MEASURES			
Suite of Strategies to Measure Performance During First Permit Term	Baseline	FY18	
Turf conversion	The baseline of the square footage of turf converted will be identified in the first Water Quality Improvement Plan Annual Report	5% increase from the baseline through turf conversion	

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4.1.4 City of San Diego Goals

The City of San Diego Water Quality Improvement Plan interim and final goals for wet and dry weather are presented in Table 4-7 and 4-8, respectively. Water Quality Improvement Plan interim goals have been identified for each five-year assessment period and include Bacteria TMDL targets. Where Bacteria TMDL targets are not required, interim goals were estimated considering the planning and implementation efforts described in the strategies and schedules discussion (Sections 4.2 and 4.3). Performance-based goals were selected to measure short-term jurisdictional progress toward achieving goals during the current permit cycle. The City of San Diego's jurisdiction is both above and below Lake Hodges. Because there is little connectivity between Lake Hodges and the highest priority water quality condition at the beach during dry weather, the dry weather Bacteria TMDL targets have not been included as Water Quality Improvement Plan goals above Lake Hodges. However, the City of San Diego has developed dry weather performance measures and associated strategies below and above Lake Hodges to focus on citywide elimination of prohibited dry weather flows. Strategies focusing on dry weather flows have multiple benefits and reduce all pollutants, including bacteria and nutrients, to Lake Hodges.

Strategies that the City of San Diego will use to achieve the numeric goals are presented in Section 4.2 and include the programs specifically identified in the performance-based goals and associated metrics.

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Table 4-7
Wet Weather Numeric Goals for the City of San Diego

Compliance Pathways		Baseline	Goals by Assessment Period and Fiscal Year				
			Current Permit Term (FY14 – FY18)	FY 16-20	FY 21-25	FY 26-30	FY 31-36
			FY18	FY19	FY24 ¹	FY29	FY31 ¹
Receiving Water % Days Exceeding WQO	Fecal coliform	43% Days Exceeding WQO (2002 TMDL Model)	See performance measures	43% ²	33%	25%	22%
	Enterococcus	49% Days Exceeding WQO (2002 TMDL Model)		49% ²	36%	26%	22%
	Total coliform	43% Days Exceeding WQO (2002 TMDL Model)		43% ²	33%	25%	22%
OR							
MS4 Discharges % Days Exceeding WQO	Fecal coliform	Historical MS4 wet weather data will be used to identify the baseline in the first Water Quality Improvement Plan Annual Report	See performance measures	22%	22%	22%	22%
	Enterococcus			22%	22%	22%	22%
	Total coliform			22%	22%	22%	22%
OR							
MS4 Discharges % Load Reduction	Fecal coliform	0% Load Reduction (2002 TMDL Model)	See performance measures	0.5%	0.7%	1.0%	1.5%
	Enterococcus			2.5%	3.9%	6.0%	7.7%
	Total coliform			1.2%	2.2%	3.2%	4.3%
OR							
MS4 Discharges Implement Accepted Water Quality Improvement Plan		Metric for compliance analysis is MS4 discharge % load reduction (above). Interim compliance is implementation of strategies and schedule (presented in Appendix I) based on analysis results. Final compliance is implementation of BMPs based on analysis results and demonstration of compliance with any of the compliance pathways through monitoring and assessment. See Section 4.3.2 for compliance analysis results					

**Table 4-7 (continued)
Wet Weather Numeric Goals for the City of San Diego**

Compliance Pathways	Baseline	Goals by Assessment Period and Fiscal Year					
		Current Permit Term (FY14 – FY18)	FY 16-20	FY 21-25	FY 26-30	FY 31-36	
		FY18	FY19	FY24 ¹	FY29	FY31 ¹	
OR							
# of Direct or Indirect MS4 Discharges to Receiving Water	Discharges	Number of flowing major MS4 outfalls during wet weather monitoring (Section 5 of this Water Quality Improvement Plan)	See performance measures	0	0	0	0
OR							
% of Exceedances of Final Receiving Water WQOs Due to Natural Sources ³	Fecal coliform	Unknown at this time. A detailed source study that differentiates between human and non-human sources would be needed to establish the baseline.	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
	<i>Enterococcus</i>		100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
	Total coliform		100%	100%	100%	100%	100%

**Table 4-7 (continued)
Wet Weather Numeric Goals for the City of San Diego**

Compliance Pathways	Baseline	Goals by Assessment Period and Fiscal Year
		Current Permit Term (FY14 – FY18)
PERFORMANCE MEASURES		
Suite of Strategies to Measure Performance During First Permit Term	Baseline	FY18
Develop a green infrastructure policy, attain City Council approval, and construct green infrastructure BMPs to improve water quality during wet and dry weather	0 acres treated in 2002, the year used as baseline in the Bacteria TMDL	10.6 acres of drainage area treated through construction of 2 green infrastructure BMPs ⁴

1. Denotes TMDL interim and final target.
2. Denotes existing wet weather frequency as modeled in the Bacteria TMDL. With limited baseline monitoring data available, this goal reflects a reasonable estimate considering the difficulty in demonstrating progress within the receiving water during wet weather in a short amount of time. Furthermore, development and redevelopment of the urban environment has occurred since the Bacteria TMDL baseline loads were calculated in 2001. As such, this goal demonstrates that progress has been made by the Responsible Agencies by maintaining the existing wet weather exceedance frequency.
3. Demonstration of exceedances of final receiving water limitations due to natural sources includes demonstration that pollutant loads from MS4s are not causing or contributing to exceedances.
4. The 10.6 acres of drainage area treated are associated with 2 green infrastructure projects that will be completed by FY18.

All numeric goals are cumulative from the baseline assessment for each fiscal year.

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**Table 4-8
Dry Weather Numeric Goals for the City of San Diego**

Compliance Pathways	Baseline	Goals by Assessment Period and Fiscal Year			
		Current Permit Term (FY14-FY18)	FY 16-20	FY 21-25	
		FY18	FY19 ¹	FY21 ¹	
BACTERIA TMDL GOALS (Applicable Below Lake Hodges)					
Receiving Water % Days Exceeding WQO	Fecal coliform	11% Days Exceeding WQO (2002 ²)	See performance measures	5.5%	0%
	Enterococcus	17% Days Exceeding WQO (2002 ²)		8.5%	0%
	Total coliform	6% Days Exceeding WQO (2002 ²)		3%	0%
OR					
MS4 Discharges % Days Exceeding WQO	Fecal coliform	Historical MS4 dry weather data will be used to identify the baseline in the first Water Quality Improvement Plan Annual Report	See performance measures	0%	0%
	Enterococcus			0%	0%
	Total coliform			0%	0%
OR					
MS4 Discharges % Load Reduction	Fecal coliform	0% Load Reduction (2002 TMDL Model)	See performance measures	10.4%	20.7%
	Enterococcus			41.7%	83.5%
	Total coliform			7.2%	14.4%

Table 4-8 (continued)
Dry Weather Numeric Goals for the City of San Diego

Compliance Pathways	Baseline	Goals by Assessment Period and Fiscal Year		
		Current Permit Term (FY14-FY18)	FY 16-20	FY 21-25
		FY18	FY19 ¹	FY21 ¹
BACTERIA TMDL GOALS (Applicable Below Lake Hodges)				
OR				
MS4 Discharges Implement Accepted Water Quality Improvement Plan	Metric for compliance analysis is MS4 discharge % load reduction (above). Compliance is based on implementation of strategies listed in Appendix I. See Section 4.3.2 for analysis results.			
OR				
# of Direct or Indirect MS4 Discharges to Receiving Water	Fecal coliform	Number of persistently flowing major MS4 outfalls provided in Section 5.1 of the Monitoring and Assessment Program of this Water Quality Improvement Plan	See performance measures	0
	Enterococcus			
	Total coliform			
OR				
% of Exceedances of Final Receiving Water WQOs Due to Natural Sources ³	Fecal coliform	Unknown at this time. A detailed source study that differentiates between human and non-human sources would be needed to establish the baseline.	100%	100%
	Enterococcus			
	Total coliform			

Table 4-8 (continued)
Dry Weather Numeric Goals for the City of San Diego

Compliance Pathways	Baseline	Goals by Assessment Period and Fiscal Year	
		Current Permit Term (FY14-FY18)	
PERFORMANCE MEASURES (Applicable Below and Above Lake Hodges)			
Suite of Strategies to Measure Performance During First Permit Term	Baseline	FY18	
Develop a green infrastructure policy, attain City Council approval, and construct green infrastructure BMPs to improve water quality during wet and dry weather	0 acres treated in 2002, the year used as baseline in the Bacteria TMDL	10.6 acres of drainage area treated through construction of 2 green infrastructure BMPs ⁴	
Implement runoff reduction programs such as education and outreach, enhanced inspections, rebates ⁵ , and increased enforcement	Historical dry weather monitoring data will be used to establish a baseline in the first Water Quality Improvement Plan Annual Report	10% reduction in prohibited ⁶ dry weather flow from baseline measured at persistently flowing outfalls in the WMA	

1. Denotes TMDL interim and target.
2. The existing exceedance frequency was calculated on the basis of available monitoring data between 1996 and 2002 per MS4 Permit requirements and presented in more detail in Appendix H.
3. Demonstration of exceedances of final receiving water limitations due to natural sources includes demonstration that pollutant loads from MS4s are not causing or contributing to exceedances.
4. The 10.6 acres of drainage area treated are associated with 2 green infrastructure projects that will be completed by FY18.
5. City of San Diego rebates include grass replacement, rainwater harvesting, downspout disconnect, and micro-irrigation.
6. Does not include allowable discharges as defined in Provision A and Provision E.2.a of the MS4 Permit.

All numeric goals are cumulative from the baseline assessment for each fiscal year.

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4.1.5 City of Solana Beach Goals

The City of Solana Beach Water Quality Improvement Plan interim and final goals for wet and dry weather are presented in Table 4-9 and 4-10, respectively. Water Quality Improvement Plan interim goals have been identified for each five-year assessment period and include Bacteria TMDL targets. Where Bacteria TMDL targets are not required, interim goals were estimated considering the planning and implementation efforts described in the strategies and schedules discussion (Sections 4.2 and 4.3). Performance-based goals were selected to measure short-term jurisdictional progress toward achieving goals during the current permit cycle. Strategies that the City of Solana Beach will use to achieve the numeric goals are presented in Section 4.2 and include the programs specifically identified in the performance-based goals and associated metrics.

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**Table 4-9
Wet Weather Numeric Goals for the City of Solana Beach**

Compliance Pathways		Baseline	Goals by Assessment Period and Fiscal Year				
			Current Permit Term (FY14 – FY18)	FY 16-20	FY 21-25	FY 26-30	FY 31-36
			FY18	FY19	FY24 ¹	FY29	FY31 ¹
Receiving Water % Days Exceeding WQO	Fecal coliform	43% Days Exceeding WQO (2002 TMDL Model)	See performance measures	43% ²	33%	25%	22%
	<i>Enterococcus</i>	49% Days Exceeding WQO (2002 TMDL Model)		49% ²	36%	26%	22%
	Total coliform	43% Days Exceeding WQO (2002 TMDL Model)		43% ²	33%	25%	22%
OR							
MS4 Discharges % Days Exceeding WQO	Fecal coliform	Historical MS4 wet weather data will be used to identify the baseline in the first Water Quality Improvement Plan Annual Report	See performance measures	22%	22%	22%	22%
	<i>Enterococcus</i>			22%	22%	22%	22%
	Total coliform			22%	22%	22%	22%
OR							
MS4 Discharges % Load Reduction	Fecal coliform	0% Load Reduction (2002 TMDL Model)	See performance measures	0.5%	0.7%	1.0%	1.5%
	<i>Enterococcus</i>			2.5%	3.9%	6.0%	7.7%
	Total coliform			1.2%	2.2%	3.2%	4.3%
OR							
# of Direct or Indirect MS4 Discharges to Receiving Water	Discharges	Number of flowing major MS4 outfalls during wet weather monitoring (Section 5.1 of this Water Quality Improvement Plan)	See performance measures	0	0	0	0

Table 4-9 (continued)
Wet Weather Numeric Goals for the City of Solana Beach

Compliance Pathways	Baseline	Goals by Assessment Period and Fiscal Year						
		Current Permit Term (FY14 – FY18)	FY	FY	FY	FY	FY	
			16-20	21-25	26-30	31-36		
			FY18	FY19	FY24 ¹	FY29	FY31 ¹	
OR								
% of Exceedances of Final Receiving Water WQOs Due to Natural Sources ³	Fecal coliform	Unknown at this time. A detailed source study that differentiates between human and non-human sources would be needed to establish the baseline.	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
	<i>Enterococcus</i>			100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
	Total coliform			100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
OR								
MS4 Discharges Implement Accepted Water Quality Improvement Plan	Metric for compliance analysis is MS4 discharge % load reduction (above). Interim compliance is implementation of strategies and schedule based (presented in Appendix I) on analysis results. Final compliance is implementation of BMPs based on analysis results and demonstration of compliance with any of the compliance pathways through monitoring and assessment. See Section 4.3.2 for compliance analysis results							

Table 4-9 (continued)
Wet Weather Numeric Goals for the City of Solana Beach

Compliance Pathways	Baseline	Goals by Assessment Period and Fiscal Year	
		Current Permit Term (FY14 – FY18)	
PERFORMANCE MEASURES			
Suite of Strategies to Measure Performance During First Permit Term	Baseline	FY18	
Design and install diversers at high priority outfalls to treat first flush and low flows	2002, the baseline for the Bacteria TMDL model	40.5 acres of low flows directed to sanitary sewer through construction of 1 diverter at high priority outfall Seascape Sur	
Design and construct curb cuts to redirect water from traditional drainage areas to permeable surfaces	2002, the baseline for the Bacteria TMDL model	8 acres of drainage area treated through curb cuts along Highway 101	

1. Denotes TMDL interim and final target.

2. Denotes existing wet weather frequency as modeled in the Bacteria TMDL. With limited baseline monitoring data available, this goal reflects a reasonable estimate considering the difficulty in demonstrating progress within the receiving water during wet weather in a short amount of time. Furthermore, development and redevelopment of the urban environment has occurred since the Bacteria TMDL baseline loads were calculated in 2001. As such, this goal demonstrates that progress has been made by the Responsible Agencies by maintaining the existing wet weather exceedance frequency.

3. Demonstration of exceedances of final receiving water limitations due to natural sources includes demonstration that pollutant loads from MS4s are not causing or contributing to exceedances.

All numeric goals are cumulative from the baseline assessment for each fiscal year.

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Table 4-10
Dry Weather Numeric Goals for the City of Solana Beach

Compliance Pathways		Baseline	Goals by Assessment Period and Fiscal Year		
			Current Permit Term (FY14-FY18)	FY 16-20	FY 21-25
			FY18	FY19 ¹	FY21 ¹
Receiving Water % Days Exceeding WQO	Fecal coliform	11% Days Exceeding WQO (2002 ²)	See performance measures	5.5%	0%
	Enterococcus	17% Days Exceeding WQO (2002 ²)		8.5%	0%
	Total coliform	6% Days Exceeding WQO (2002 ²)		3%	0%
OR					
MS4 Discharges % Days Exceeding WQO	Fecal coliform	Historical MS4 dry weather data will be used to identify the baseline in the first Water Quality Improvement Plan Annual Report	See performance measures	0%	0%
	Enterococcus			0%	0%
	Total coliform			0%	0%
OR					
MS4 Discharges % Load Reduction	Fecal coliform	0% Load Reduction (2002 TMDL Model)	See performance measures	10.4%	20.7%
	Enterococcus			41.7%	83.5%
	Total coliform			7.2%	14.4%

**Table 4-10 (continued)
Dry Weather Numeric Goals for the City of Solana Beach**

Compliance Pathways	Baseline	Goals by Assessment Period and Fiscal Year		
		Current Permit Term (FY14-FY18)	FY 16-20	FY 21-25
		FY18	FY19 ¹	FY21 ¹
OR				
# of Direct or Indirect MS4 Discharges to Receiving Water	Discharges	Number of persistently flowing major MS4 outfalls provided in Section 5.1 of the Monitoring and Assessment Program of this Water Quality Improvement Plan	0	0
OR				
% of Exceedances of Final Receiving Water WQOs Due to Natural Sources ³	Fecal coliform	Unknown at this time. A detailed source study that differentiates between human and non-human sources would be needed to establish the baseline.	100%	100%
	Enterococcus		100%	100%
	Total coliform		100%	100%

**Table 4-10 (continued)
Dry Weather Numeric Goals for the City of Solana Beach**

Compliance Pathways	Baseline	Goals by Assessment Period and Fiscal Year	
		Current Permit Term (FY14-FY18)	
PERFORMANCE MEASURES			
Suite of Strategies to Measure Performance During First Permit Term	Baseline	FY18	
Design and install diverters at high priority outfalls to treat first flush and low flows	2002, the baseline for the Bacteria TMDL model	40.5 acres of low flows directed to sanitary sewer through construction of 1 diverter at high priority outfall Seascape Sur	
Design and construct curb cuts to redirect water from traditional drainage areas to permeable surfaces	2002, the baseline for the Bacteria TMDL model	8 acres of drainage area treated through curb cuts along Highway 101	

1. Denotes TMDL interim and final target.
2. The existing exceedance frequency was calculated on the basis of available monitoring data between 1996 and 2002 per MS4 Permit requirements and presented in more detail in Appendix H.
3. Demonstration of exceedances of final receiving water limitations due to natural sources includes demonstration that pollutant loads from MS4s are not causing or contributing to exceedances.

All numeric goals are cumulative from the baseline assessment for each fiscal year.

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4.1.6 County of San Diego San Dieguito River WMA Goals

The County of San Diego Water Quality Improvement Plan interim and final goals for wet and dry weather are presented in Table 4-11 and Table 4-12, respectively. The County of San Diego developed wet weather goals to address the highest priority water quality condition of bacteria below Sutherland Reservoir in the San Dieguito River WMA. One of the compliance options for the Bacteria TMDL requires a 7.7 percent reduction of the bacteria load from storm drain outfalls discharging to receiving water by 2031. Half of the load reduction, approximately 4 percent, is required by the interim TMDL target date. Because programmatic approaches are estimated to reduce bacteria loads by 10 percent, additional structural controls may not be necessary for compliance.

The programmatic approach involves reducing bacteria loads from storm drain outfalls. The metric established is the implementation of the storm water program, resulting in an estimated 10 percent reduction of the bacteria loads needed to meet compliance. Baseline loads will be determined during FY15-16. The load reduction is anticipated to take place incrementally by permit term, with a 2 percent reduction during the second permit term, a 2 percent reduction during the third permit term, and a 3.7 percent reduction during the fourth permit term. If the modeled reductions are not confirmed by monitoring, then program adjustments will be made according to the adaptive management process. This step may require incorporation of more effective strategies, program design changes, or incorporation of additional structural BMPs if funding is available.

The County of San Diego has established dry weather numeric goals for the highest priority water quality condition of bacteria below Lake Hodges in the San Dieguito River WMA. To comply with one of compliance pathways for the Bacteria TMDL, anthropogenic dry weather discharges from storm drain outfalls to the receiving water must be effectively eliminated. Throughout the implementation of the Water Quality Improvement Plan, adaptive management will be used to evaluate reasonable progress toward the numeric goals and to consider changes to program design and project implementation, as needed, to meet goals and as funding becomes available. The adaptive management process is described in Section 6 of this Water Quality Improvement Plan.

The County of San Diego dry weather goal was established to reduce dry weather flow in storm drains to effectively eliminate anthropogenic discharge, to reduce pollutant loading to waterbodies during dry weather. This goal will be accomplished by implementing numerous JRMP strategies to reduce dry weather runoff, as described in the County of San Diego JRMP and discussed in Section 4.2.4.6.

Using these strategies, the County will target reducing the number of persistently flowing outfalls by 20 percent by 2018. Alternatively, the County may demonstrate a 20 percent decrease in the aggregate flow of the MS4 outfalls by 2018. A baseline volume of flow would be established during FY15-16 through monitoring of flow measurements. Efforts will be adaptively managed to mitigate dry weather flows and consider small-scale structural controls as needed during the second MS4 Permit term. For the final TMDL compliance goal, scheduled for April 2021, the overall goal is no discharges from the County of San Diego's storm drain outfalls to the receiving water, as demonstrated through the storm drain outfall monitoring program.

Table 4-11
Wet Weather Numeric Goals for the County of San Diego

Wet Weather Multi-Benefit Numeric Goals for Highest Priority Water Quality Condition – Bacteria (Below Sutherland Reservoir)						
Title	Metric	Baseline	Outcome	1 st Permit Term 2013 – 2018	2 nd Permit Term 2018 – 2023	3 rd Permit Term 2023 – 2028
						4 th Permit Term 2028 – 2033
Implement Water Quality Improvement Plan with focus on programmatic BMPs and use adaptive management to increase effectiveness	% bacterial load reduction	TBD in FY15-16 in most probable number (MPN)/year from TMDL model	Reduce baseline bacteria loads by 7.7% from storm drain outfalls to meet TMDL required load reductions	Implement programmatic (nonstructural) BMPs to achieve source reduction of bacteria loads from the storm drain outfalls	Reduce bacteria loads by 2% from the storm drain outfalls through continued implementation of programmatic BMPs and, based on adaptive management, focus and enhance efforts where needed	Meet TMDL Interim Compliance Date April 4, 2028 ^{1,2}
						Meet TMDL Final Compliance Date April 4, 2031
						Reduce bacteria loads by an additional 3.7 % (total 7.7%) from the storm drain outfalls by continued implementation of programmatic BMPs

Table 4-11 (continued)
Wet Weather Numeric Goals for the County of San Diego

Wet Weather Multi-Benefit Numeric Goals for Highest Priority Water Quality Condition – Bacteria (Below Sutherland Reservoir)						
Title	Metric	Baseline	Outcome	1 st Permit Term 2013 – 2018	2 nd Permit Term 2018 – 2023	3 rd Permit Term 2023 – 2028 Meet TMDL Interim Compliance Date April 4, 2028 ^{1,2}
Structural BMPs (Optional: as needed and as funding is available)	% bacterial load reduction	TBD in FY15-16 in MPN/year from TMDL model	Reduce baseline bacteria loads from storm drain outfalls to receiving water if needed to meet TMDL required load reduction	Reduce by TBD in FY15-16 % bacteria load from distributed BMPs constructed between 2003 and 2009 during redevelopment	Assess reduction achieved by programmatic BMPs. If needed, reduce bacteria loads through implementation of structural BMPs or through participation in the public-private partnership program and redevelopment	4 th Permit Term 2028 – 2033 Meet TMDL Final Compliance Date April 4, 2031
						Assess reduction achieved by programmatic BMPs. If needed, reduce bacteria loads through implementation of structural BMPs or through participation in the public-private partnership program and redevelopment

1. Request moving Interim TMDL Compliance Date from April 4, 2021, (per MS4 Permit Attachment E, 6.c(1)) to April 4, 2028, to allow adequate time to monitor progress through the adaptive management process of the Water Quality Improvement Plan.
2. Progress toward final goals will be monitored and if implemented BMPs are not enough to meet compliance, then through the adaptive management process of the Water Quality Improvement Plan, more effective and/or additional BMPs will be implemented. The County of San Diego is concerned that a funding source to construct, operate, and maintain structural controls is not identified, if needed to meet compliance.

Table 4-12
Dry Weather Numeric Goals for the County of San Diego

Dry Weather Multi-Benefit Numeric Goals for Highest Priority Water Quality Condition – Bacteria (Below Lake Hodges)						
Title	Metric	Baseline	Outcome	1 st Permit Term Numeric Goals 2013 – 2018	2 nd Permit Term Numeric Goals 2018 – 2023	
					TMDL Interim Compliance Date April 4, 2020 ²	TMDL Final Compliance Date April 4, 2021
Eliminate anthropogenic dry weather flows ¹ from storm drain outfalls	% reduction of flow volume or number of outfalls with flows mitigated from persistently flowing storm drain outfalls	To be established during FY15-16 using dry weather flow measurements	Effectively eliminate anthropogenic dry weather flow from storm drain outfalls to receiving water	Reduce by 20% the aggregate flow volume or the number of persistently flowing outfalls during dry weather	Reduce by 75% the aggregate flow volume or the number of persistently flowing outfalls during dry weather	Effectively eliminate anthropogenic dry weather discharges from storm drain outfalls to the receiving water

1. Here and throughout this table, the term “dry weather flows” excludes groundwater, other exempt or permitted non-storm water flows, and sanitary sewer overflows.
2. Request moving Interim TMDL Compliance Date from April 4, 2017 (per MS4 Permit Attachment E, 6.c(1)) to April 4, 2020, to allow adequate time to investigate and mitigate dry weather flows through the adaptive management process of the Water Quality Improvement Plan.

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4.2 Strategies

The Responsible Agencies are tasked with identifying water quality improvement strategies that may be implemented to address the highest priority water quality condition. The strategies were selected on the basis of their ability to effectively and efficiently eliminate non-storm water discharges to the MS4, reduce pollutants in storm water discharges from the MS4 to the MEP, and achieve the interim and final numeric goals identified in Section 4.1. A brief description of the strategy selection process is provided in Section 4.2.1. A general discussion of nonstructural strategies, such as MS4 maintenance and street sweeping, administrative policies, enforcement of municipal ordinances, education and outreach programs, rebate and incentive programs, and collaboration with WMA partners, is presented in Section 4.2.2. Structural strategies are those strategies that can improve water quality by removing pollutants through physical means such as filtration and infiltration and are introduced in Section 4.2.3. A description of selected nonstructural and structural strategies selected by each Responsible Agency to target the highest priority water quality condition by jurisdiction is presented in Section 4.2.4. A comprehensive list of strategies, including the method for implementing each strategy, the cost, and San Dieguito River WMA partners included in the effort, is presented in Appendix I. Strategies implemented on a WMA scale or through collaboration with WMA partners are discussed in more detail in Section 4.2.5. Section 4.3 presents a summary of the analysis results to demonstrate the anticipated progress toward achieving the interim and final goals. Because the load reductions required to meet final goals are less than 10 percent, optimization modeling was not completed in the San Dieguito River WMA. However, the same 10 percent assumption based on an analysis of the extensive list of nonstructural strategies is provided in Section 4.3.1 to provide assurance that wet weather goals will be met

4.2.1 Strategy Selection

A list of potential strategies (nonstructural and structural) consisting of JRMP activities and enhancements to JRMP activities was developed by the Responsible Agencies, and augmented by public input and discussions with the San Dieguito River WMA Consultation Committee (San Dieguito River WMA Responsible Agencies, 2014). This list was used as a guide by Responsible Agencies to identify strategies appropriate for their jurisdictions.

Strategy selection considered the following:

- ❖ Emphasis was given to strategies that target highest priority water quality conditions, and those that provide multiple benefits were favored.
- ❖ The Responsible Agencies considered the triple bottom line, evaluating the environmental, economic, and social components of the strategies.

- ❖ Strategies that improve and promote cooperation and collaboration between the Responsible Agencies and other governmental agencies (WMA groups, Caltrans, water districts, school districts) and other entities, such as private or non-profit organizations, were also given priority. Responsible Agencies are also continually collaborating with internal jurisdictional departments, and these collaborating entities are also presented in the jurisdictional strategies table.

The Responsible Agencies evaluated their existing programs, the potential for incorporating enhancements and new administrative programs, and the types of structural BMPs that may be considered, if warranted and appropriate for the jurisdiction. All aspects of their JRMPs were evaluated, which provided the necessary background for existing nonstructural solutions and suggested areas where enhanced or restructured activities might be more successful.

Efficiency in pollutant reduction is based partly on identifying the known and suspected areas or sources likely contributing to the highest priority water quality condition. While bacteria-generating activities within the San Dieguito River WMA were identified in Section 3, Appendix J provides prioritized geographical areas where bacteria loading is estimated to be the highest. This prioritization is one of the factors that inform site selection for structural BMPs, and the bacteria loading prioritization and site selection process for structural BMPs is presented in detail in Appendix J.

4.2.2 Nonstructural Strategy Descriptions

Nonstructural strategies are defined as those actions and activities that are intended to reduce storm water pollution and that do not involve construction or implementation of a physical structure to filter and treat storm water. These strategies are also considered nonstructural by the nature of their programmatic implementation. MS4 maintenance and street sweeping, administrative policies, creation and enforcement of municipal ordinances, education and outreach programs, rebate and other incentive programs, and cooperation and collaboration with other watershed or regional partners are examples of nonstructural strategies. Jurisdictions across the region have implemented these types of programs for many years, either in response to MS4 Permit requirements or in response to jurisdiction- or watershed-specific needs (Regional Board, 2013).

The combination of existing efforts and new or enhanced efforts determines the final, expected load reduction (Figure 4-1). Fundamentally, strategies were chosen on the basis of their expected effectiveness in reducing pollutant sources and targeting pollutant-generating activities (PGAs) of concern in the San Dieguito River WMA, and their suitability and potential to be implemented by the Responsible Agencies.

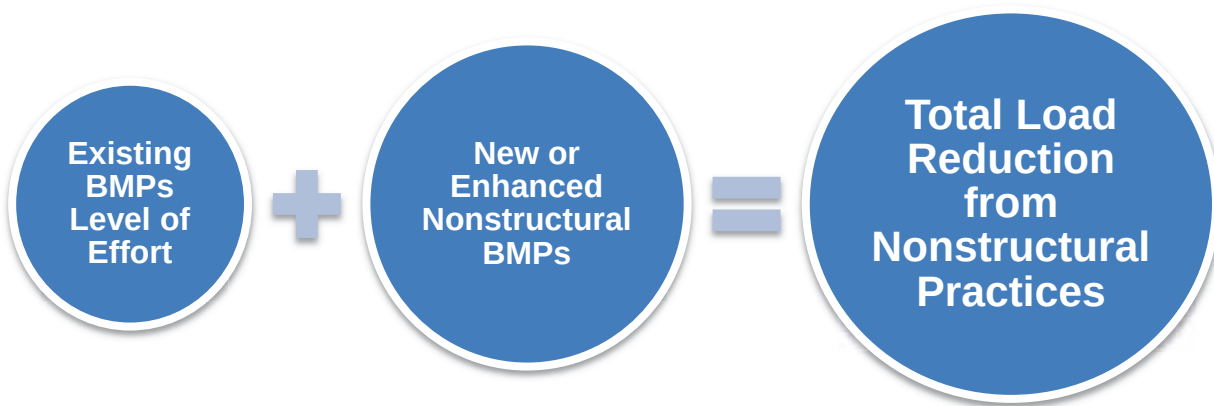


Figure 4-1
Determining Total Load Reduction from Nonstructural Practices

The list of nonstructural strategies for each Responsible Agency is based on the following:

- ❖ Existing programs or actions that the Responsible Agencies are already implementing or must implement based on MS4 Permit requirements
- ❖ Opportunities for enhancing and refining existing programs or actions
- ❖ Identification of new actions or initiatives that are effective or potentially effective in other areas or programs

Most nonstructural strategies are part of each Responsible Agency's JRMPs. The MS4 Permit requires the Responsible Agencies to control the contribution of pollutants to the MS4 and the discharges from the MS4 within their jurisdictions through JRMPs (MS4 Permit Provision E). The MS4 Permit requires the jurisdictions to identify the strategies being implemented by JRMP Provisions E.2 through E.7 as part of the Water Quality Improvement Plan for the highest priority water quality condition.

Nonstructural strategies may be broad, overarching administrative programs or activities targeting specific sources. The MS4 Permit provides guidelines for Responsible Agency implementation of each program; however, they are implemented differently depending on the unique characteristics of each jurisdiction. In implementing the Water Quality Improvement Plan, the Responsible Agencies will implement strategies within their JRMPs with a specialized approach to best achieve the numeric goals and meet permit requirements within their jurisdictions. Because the MS4 Permit provides flexibility in selecting strategies, jurisdictions may prioritize different strategies within their JRMPs, to more effectively achieve pollutant reductions.

A description of the JRMP nonstructural strategy categories is presented in Table 4-13. The relative benefit associated with water chemistry, physical, and biological improvements achieved by strategy implementation is presented in Table 4-14. The assumptions represent best professional judgment based on literature reviews, practical experience, and stakeholder input. Appendix K includes references for these

assumptions. The BMP benefits outlined in Table 4-14 are dependent on site characteristics, implementation, and the target pollutant of the program or strategy. Although the benefits are variable, estimates of the relative pollutant reduction benefits are provided as comparative reference. Table 4-14 identifies the primary benefits (●), the secondary benefits (◐), and the potential benefits that the strategy does not address (○). Estimated benefits assume typical design, land use, and geography, but can be modified to target pollutants or site-specific needs. Additional information on JRMP programs is presented in each Responsible Agency's JRMP document (to be submitted in June 2015).

Table 4-13
Categories of JRMP Nonstructural Strategies

Strategy Category	Strategy Description
Development Planning	Uses Responsible Agencies' land use and planning authority to require implementation of best management practices (BMPs) to address effects from new development and redevelopment.
Construction Management	Addresses pollutant generation from construction activities associated with new development or redevelopment.
Existing Development	Addresses pollutant generation from existing development, including commercial, industrial, municipal, and residential land uses. It includes stream, channel, and habitat restoration and retrofitting in areas of existing development.
Illicit Discharge, Detection, and Elimination (IDDE) Program	Actively detects and eliminates illicit discharges and improper disposal of wastes into the MS4.
Public Education and Participation	Promotes and encourages behaviors to reduce pollutant discharges. Describes opportunities for public participation in water quality improvement planning.
Enforcement Response Plan	Describes escalating enforcement measures for each JRMP component.

Table 4-14
JRMP Nonstructural Strategy Benefits

NONSTRUCTURAL STRATEGY	Average Water Chemistry Benefit ¹									Physical and Biological Benefit			
	Bacteria ²	Metals	Organics	Sediment	Pesticides	Nutrients	Oil and Grease	Dissolved Solids	Trash	Flow Rate	Volume Reduction	Habitat/ Wildlife	Aquatic Life
JRMP Strategies													
All Development Projects	Benefit varies by source control or low-impact development (LID) BMP type: Refer to Table 4-15 for a discussion of structural benefits.												
Priority Development Projects (PDPs)	►	►	►	►	►	►	►	►	►	►	►	►	►
Construction Management	○	○	○	●	○	○	►	○	►	●	●	○	●
Existing Development													
Commercial, Industrial, Municipal, and Residential Minimum BMP Requirements and Facility and Area Inspections	►	►	►	►	►	►	►	►	►	►	►	►	►
MS4 Infrastructure Maintenance (including Catch Basin Cleaning)	►	●	○	●	►	►	○	○	●	○	○	○	►
Roads, Streets, and Parking Lots Maintenance (including Street Sweeping)	►	●	►	●	○	●	○	►	●	○	○	○	►
Pesticide, Herbicides, and Fertilizer Program	○	○	●	○	●	●	○	○	○	○	○	►	●

**Table 4-14 (continued)
JRMP Strategy Benefits**

NONSTRUCTURAL STRATEGY	Average Water Chemistry Benefit ¹									Physical and Biological Benefit			
	Bacteria ²	Metals	Organics	Sediment	Pesticides	Nutrients	Oil and Grease	Dissolved Solids	Trash	Flow Rate	Volume Reduction	Habitat/ Wildlife	Aquatic Life
Retrofit and Rehabilitation in Areas of Existing Development	<i>Varies by development area; potential benefit for all conditions.</i>												
IDDE Program	<i>Benefit varies; potential benefit for all conditions.</i>												
Public Education and Participation	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■
Enforcement Response Plan	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■

1. For references for the water chemistry benefits for each strategy, refer to Appendix K.
2. Orange-shaded cells indicate the highest priority water quality condition for the WMA.

Responsible Agencies have also identified additional strategies that fall outside of a JRMP category. These additional strategies are not required by MS4 Permit Provision E, but some Responsible Agencies have found them to be effective within their jurisdictions for addressing priority water quality conditions. They may not be appropriate or effective within all jurisdictions.

Example Nonstructural Programs

Residential Rain Barrel Rebate Program

Capturing storm water from rooftops in residential rain barrels is a simple way to reduce demand on the potable water system and help prevent pollution by reducing the amount of runoff entering municipal storm drain systems (Figure 4-2). Reducing the amount of rainwater that enters storm drains also helps prevent erosion of creeks and streambeds, and aids in protecting downstream habitat. Retained runoff can be reused for irrigation, or when reuse is not possible, the retained flows can be slowly released after a period of storage. Released flows can be routed through landscaped areas, in which runoff load reduction can be attained through the processes of infiltration and evapotranspiration, or to bioretention BMPs as part of a treatment train. Through their residential BMP rebate program, for example, the City of San Diego offers residential customers a cash-back rebate of \$1.00 for every gallon of rain barrel storage capacity up to 400 gallons when customers purchase and install a rain barrel and connect it to their home's rain gutter downspout.



Figure 4-2
Rain Barrel Capturing Runoff
From a Residential Property

Pet Waste Program

Pet waste left on lawns, beaches, trails, and sidewalks contains pathogens such as bacteria, parasites, and viruses. When waste is not picked up, during a storm event the waste can be washed downstream and can flow directly into streams, lakes, and the ocean, causing a threat to both human health and the environment. To address these issues, Responsible Agencies provide pet waste dispensers and appropriate trash bins in parks and other appropriate areas (Figure 4-3). Pet waste removal education programs and signage to help increase awareness are also potential strategies to target the bacteria impairment within the San Dieguito River WMA.



Figure 4-3
City of San Diego Pet Waste
Dispenser

4.2.3 Structural Strategy Descriptions

Structural strategies can be placed strategically throughout the contributing watershed to improve water quality by removing pollutants through a variety of chemical, physical, and biological processes, including filtration and infiltration. The effectiveness and feasibility of implementing different types of BMPs should be carefully considered given the BMP impact and cost to implement and maintain. Long-term structural BMP effectiveness is often dependent on the construction and routine maintenance of each BMP. Note that there are many areas in the San Dieguito River WMA that contain low-infiltrating soil types. These factors were acknowledged by the Responsible Agencies through consideration of non-infiltrating BMPs in these areas, such as detention ponds, wetlands, and bioretention and permeable pavement with underdrains, as well as through consideration of channel restoration projects or source control strategies. Before implementing structural strategies, Responsible Agencies will consult with appropriate resource agencies (e.g., California Coastal Commission, California Department of Fish and Wildlife, Fish and Wildlife Service, National Marine Fisheries Service, etc.) and will obtain required permits as necessary. Further, Responsible Agencies will identify and apply “lessons learned” during project development and post-development monitoring. Feasibility of maintenance and inspection will be incorporated in the design and site selection stages to ensure that structural BMPs meet engineered specifications and can be maintained for the life of the BMP without difficulty.

Potential structural strategies were broken into three categories on the basis of scale and overall function: (1) green infrastructure, (2) multiuse treatment areas, and (3) water quality improvement BMPs (Figure 4-4). These categories are discussed in detail in the following sections.

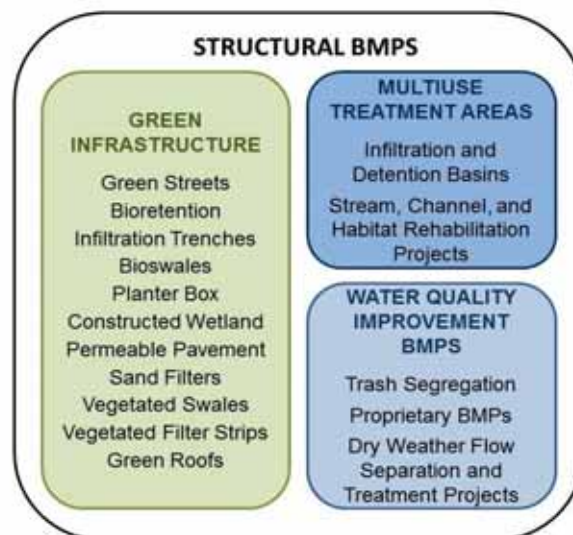


Figure 4-4
Comparison of Various Structural Strategy Categories

Table 4-15 provides the relative benefit to water quality improvement by structural BMP type. Although the benefits are variable, estimates of the relative pollutant reduction benefits are provided as comparative reference. As with the nonstructural benefits, these estimates are based on best professional judgment from literature reviews, practical experience, and stakeholder input. The site characteristics, BMP implementation, and pollutant of concern all influence the BMP benefits. Routine maintenance of these structural strategies also significantly impacts the benefits of the BMPs. A list of references for the benefits for the structural strategies is provided in Appendix K. Table 4-15 identifies the primary benefits (●), the secondary benefits (◐), and the potential benefits that the strategy does not address (○). Estimated benefits assume typical design, land use, and geography, but can be modified to target pollutants or site-specific needs.

Table 4-15
Structural Strategy Benefits

STRUCTURAL STRATEGY	Water Chemistry Benefit ¹									Physical and Biological Benefit			
	Bacteria ²	Metals	Organics	Sediment	Pesticides	Nutrients	Oil and Grease	Dissolved Solids	Trash	Flow Rate	Volume Reduction	Habitat/ Wildlife	Aquatic Life
Green Infrastructure													
<i>Green Infrastructure Outside the Right-of-Way</i>													
Bioretention	●	●	●	●	●	◐	●	◐	●	●	●	○	◐
Infiltration Trenches	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	○	●
Bioswales	●	●	●	●	●	◐	●	◐	●	●	●	○	◐
Planter Boxes	●	●	●	●	●	◐	●	◐	●	◐	◐	○	◐
Permeable Pavement	◐	●	◐	●	●	◐	◐	◐	◐	●	●	○	◐
Constructed Wetlands	●	●	◐	●	●	●	◐	◐	●	●	◐	●	◐
Sand Filters	●	●	●	●	●	◐	●	○	●	◐	◐	○	◐
Vegetated Swales	◐	◐	◐	●	◐	◐	◐	○	●	◐	◐	○	◐
Vegetated Filter Strips	◐	◐	◐	●	◐	◐	◐	○	●	◐	◐	○	◐
Green Roofs	◐	◐	○	●	○	○	○	○	○	●	◐	○	◐
Green Streets													
Green Streets	●	●	●	●	●	◐	●	◐	●	●	●	○	◐

STRUCTURAL STRATEGY	Water Chemistry Benefit ¹								Physical and Biological Benefit				
	Bacteria ²	Metals	Organics	Sediment	Pesticides	Nutrients	Oil and Grease	Dissolved Solids	Trash	Flow Rate	Volume Reduction	Habitat/ Wildlife	Aquatic Life
Multiuse Treatment Areas													
Infiltration and Detention Basins	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	○	●
Stream, Channel, and Habitat Rehabilitation Projects	Varies by project												
Water Quality Improvement BMPs													
Trash Segregation, Proprietary BMPs, and Dry Weather Flow Separation and Treatment Projects	Varies by project												

1. For references for the water chemistry benefits for each strategy, refer to Appendix K.
2. Orange-shaded cells indicate highest priority water quality condition for the WMA.

4.2.3.1 Green Infrastructure

A critical consideration in selecting and evaluating structural BMPs is scale. Green infrastructure refers to structural BMPs that are built within the landscape at the site scale, which often requires retrofit of site designs to accommodate the rerouting and positioning of BMPs onsite. Green infrastructure uses vegetation, soils, and natural processes to manage water and create healthier urban environments. At the scale of a city or county, green infrastructure refers to the patchwork of natural areas that provide habitat, flood protection, and cleaner water, and may also benefit the environment through cleaner air. At the scale of a neighborhood or site, green infrastructure includes storm water management systems such as bioretention areas, permeable pavements, and green roofs that use natural processes to soak up, store, and treat water.

Green infrastructure typically incorporates multiple BMPs using the natural features of the site in conjunction with the goal of the site development. Multiple BMPs can be incorporated into the site development to complement and enhance the proposed layout, while also providing water quality treatment and runoff volume reduction. Green infrastructure practices provide control and treatment of storm water runoff on or near locations where the runoff initiates. The most common and effective green infrastructure BMPs implemented by the Responsible Agencies are listed in Table 4-16. Rain barrels are covered programmatically as a nonstructural strategy, but are also commonly incorporated as multi-benefit components of green infrastructure systems.

Table 4-16
Common Green Infrastructure Strategies

Green Infrastructure BMP	BMP Description	Example Photograph
Bioretention	Shallow vegetated features constructed in green spaces alongside roads, sidewalks, and other paved surfaces. Bioretention includes an engineered soil media designed to encourage pollutant treatment and water storage.	
Infiltration Trenches	Narrow, linear BMPs that have similar functions as bioretention areas with variable surface materials, including rock or decorative stone, designed to allow storm water to infiltrate into subsurface soils.	
Bioswales	Shallow, open channels designed to reduce runoff volume through infiltration and pollutant removal by filtering water through vegetation within the channel and infiltration into bioretention soil media. Bioswales can serve as a storm water conveyance, but the primary objective is water quality enhancement (often referred to as linear bioretention).	

Table 4-16 (continued)
Common Green Infrastructure Strategies

Green Infrastructure BMP	BMP Description	Example Photograph
Planter Box	Fully contained system containing soil media and vegetation that functions similarly to a small biofiltration BMP, but includes an impermeable liner and underdrain.	
Constructed Wetland	Engineered, shallow marsh systems designed to control and treat storm water runoff. Particle-bound pollutants are removed through settling and other pollutants are removed through biogeochemical activity.	
Permeable Pavement	Allows streets, parking lots, sidewalks, and other impervious covers to increase or enhance their infiltration capacity while maintaining the structural and functional features of the materials they replace. Roads such as highways can include permeable friction course (PFC) overlays, which provide water quality benefits when traditional permeable pavement is not suitable.	
Sand Filters	Treatment systems that remove particulates and solids from storm water runoff by facilitating physical filtration.	
Vegetated Swales	Shallow, open channels that are designed primarily for storm water conveyance. Pollutants such as trash and debris are removed by physically straining/filtering water through vegetation in the channel.	

Table 4-16 (continued)
Common Green Infrastructure Strategies

Green Infrastructure BMP	BMP Description	Example Photograph
Vegetated Filter Strips	Bands of dense, permanent vegetation with a uniform slope, designed to provide pretreatment of runoff generated from impervious areas before flowing into another BMP as part of a treatment train.	
Green Roofs	Roofing systems that layer a soil/vegetative cover over a waterproofing membrane and can reduce runoff through interception and evapotranspiration.	

Green infrastructure can provide water quality and community benefits at the site scale outside of the right-of-way or within the public street right-of-way (green streets). The following subsections discuss implementation of green infrastructure in these two settings.

Green Infrastructure Outside the Right-of-Way

Any single BMP or a combination of the BMPs listed in Table 4-16 can be applied at the site scale to capture and treat storm water runoff at the source. These potential small-scale projects are important to the WMA as a whole when incorporated near the top of the watershed because collectively they can provide an effective means of pollutant load reduction, while also attenuating peak flow, reducing discharge volume, and providing aesthetic value and improved habitat quality. These potential small-scale BMPs can be implemented on public parcels by municipalities or incorporated into Priority Development Projects (PDPs) and redevelopment activities on private parcels. Examples of potential existing development retrofits for green infrastructure BMPs outside the right-of-way include converting parking lot medians into planter boxes and asphalt into permeable pavements.

Large portions of the impervious areas on most parcels, regardless of land use type, consist of a combination of parking lots and roof tops. Often those areas can be treated by implementing a system of green infrastructure in landscape areas and by replacing hardscape with comparable permeable materials (see examples in Figure 4-5 and Figure 4-6). Other options for treatment that could be considered for areas outside the right-of-way are green roofs, infiltration trenches, sand filters, vegetated filter strips, and vegetated swales.



Figure 4-5
Bioretention Areas in Parking Lots and Adjacent to Buildings Provide
Multiple Benefits by Treating Runoff While Also Serving as
Landscape Features and Habitat



Figure 4-6
Permeable Pavement Functions as a Parking and Driving Surface
While Capturing and Treating Storm Water

Green Infrastructure in the Right-of-Way (Green Streets)

Green streets can consist of multiple BMP types implemented in a linear fashion within the road right-of-way. Placing BMPs within the right-of-way provides an additional opportunity to treat urban storm water runoff, attenuate peak flow, and reduce discharge volume while improving community pride, land value, and habitat quality. Given that green streets are in the right-of-way, they have no land acquisition costs and are more conveniently accessed for maintenance activities. Green streets also provide the added benefit of treating runoff from both the roadway and the contributing parcel.

The most common configurations for green streets include bioretention areas located between the edge of the pavement and the edge of the right-of-way and permeable pavement installed in the parking lanes. The configuration of the street, particularly the presence of curb and gutter, locations of underground utilities, road classifications, and sidewalk, parking, and right-of-way widths, often dictates the configuration of green streets. Options are presented below for streets with and without curb and gutter.

Streets With Curb and Gutter

Curb and gutter is often desired to provide a clear delineation between the travel lanes and the parkway area of the right-of-way. With this configuration, storm water is often treated through permeable pavement in the parking lanes and bioretention areas in the space between the back of the curb and the sidewalk. Figure 4-7 shows examples of green infrastructure in the parking area and parkway within the right-of-way.



Figure 4-7
Examples of Permeable Pavement and Bioretention in the Right-of-Way with Curb and Gutter

Streets Without Curb and Gutter

Streets without curb and gutter provide direct connection for diffused runoff to be treated within the right-of-way. Often, without the delineation provided by curb and gutter, the right-of-way at the edge of the travel lane can become compacted and eventually cause erosion concerns. Implementing green street concepts can provide an opportunity to stabilize those areas using permeable pavers, as shown in Figure 4-8, or bioretention areas.



Figure 4-8
Permeable Pavers in the Right-of-Way Without Curb and Gutter

Example Green Infrastructure Project in the Right-of-Way

The Callado Road Green Street Project proposes implementing a green street in the right-of-way along Callado Road. The contributing drainage area is approximately 9.86 acres and encompasses the street and the adjacent single-family residential units. The street is crowned, and flow travels away from the center line toward the outside edges to the existing curb and gutter.

The green street is proposed to include permeable pavement, bioretention, and corner pop-out bioretention areas. The proposed retrofit involves narrowing the paved road width and installing bioretention cells between the sidewalk and new curb location as shown in Figure 4-9. The proposed bioretention cells require grading the existing soils to a depth of 6 inches below the gutter.



Figure 4-9
Example of How Callado Road Green Street Project Can Incorporate a Green Street into the Right-of-Way

4.2.3.2 *Multiuse Treatment Areas*

Large structural treatment control BMPs, referred to as multiuse treatment areas, are regional facilities that receive flows from neighborhoods or larger areas, which often serve dual purposes of flood control and groundwater recharge. These BMPs are often located in public spaces and can be co-located within parks or green spaces. They can provide excellent ecosystem services and aesthetic value to stakeholders. Bioretention areas can enhance biodiversity and beautify the urban environment with native vegetation. Large-scale facilities such as infiltration basins or dry extended detention basins can provide dual use as athletic fields or open spaces.

The following components can be incorporated into multiuse treatment areas to promote multiuse benefits:

- ❖ Simple signage or information kiosks can be used to raise public awareness of storm water issues, educate the public, and provide a guide for native plant and wildlife identification.
- ❖ Volunteer groups can be organized to perform basic maintenance such as trash removal as an opportunity to raise public awareness.
- ❖ Public-private partnerships can be pursued where property owners are supportive of water quality improvement measures and parcels are identified for ideal multiuse treatment area locations.
- ❖ Larger BMPs can be equipped with pedestrian cross-paths or benches for wildlife viewing.
- ❖ Sculptures and other works of art can be installed within the BMP and outlet structures, and cisterns can incorporate aesthetically pleasing colors, murals, or facades
- ❖ Vegetation with canopy cover can provide shade, localized cooling, and noise dissipation.
- ❖ Bird and butterfly feeders can be used to attract wildlife to the BMPs.
- ❖ Ornamental plants can be cultivated along the perimeter and in the bed of vegetated BMPs (invasive plants should be avoided).

Infiltration and Detention Basins

Large multiuse BMPs considered in the Water Quality Improvement Plan will focus on surface BMPs (on public parcels) that provide treatment through the detention and infiltration of runoff. Examples include infiltration basins and dry extended detention basins. These BMPs are designed to hold runoff for an extended period of time to allow water to evaporate into the atmosphere, infiltrate into native soils, or be transpired by vegetation, while accommodating for overflow and bypass during large storm events. These BMPs are well suited for public spaces such as active (soccer fields) and passive (parks) recreation areas and raise public awareness of storm water management.

Example Multiuse Treatment Area Project

Eagle Scout Lake (formerly Sand Lake) in Escondido's Kit Carson Park, shown in Figure 4-10, serves as a multiuse treatment area and sediment detention basin for a major tributary to Lake Hodges. The basin treats dry and wet weather flows at the confluence of several ephemeral creeks, the most notable of which is Kit Carson Creek. The drainage area includes mostly single family residential homes and open space in the City of Escondido and County of San Diego jurisdictions. The lake slows creek flows and allows suspended sediment to settle, providing water quality and flood protection

benefits for downstream habitat mitigation areas, jurisdictional wetlands, and 303(d) listed waterbodies, including Kit Carson Creek and Lake Hodges.

In February 2014, the City of Escondido Public Works Department performed a major maintenance project to dredge accumulated sediment and restore the beneficial functions of the lake, which had been reduced in recent years. Vegetation and approximately 25,000 cubic yards of sediment were removed from the lake, thus restoring its treatment function and capacity. As a strategy of this Water Quality Improvement Plan, the City implemented this restoration project and is committing to regularly assessing the functioning of the basin and performing continued maintenance as necessary.

In addition to water quality benefits, Eagle Scout Lake is a visual amenity for park-goers and provides habitat for birds and other wildlife. The 285-acre municipal park has many popular amenities and high daily visitation rates. Visitors enjoy the lake from benches along its banks and from an adjacent trail that serves as a gateway to the park. In addition, visitors can learn about the lake's resident wildlife from information posted at the site by the Palomar Audubon Society.



Figure 4-10
Example of Multiuse Treatment Area at Eagle Scout Lake

Stream, Channel, and Habitat Rehabilitation Projects

Natural streams, channels, and habitats serve hydrologic and ecological functions that can be compromised when these natural systems are degraded or altered. For instance, increased runoff volumes and velocities can cause bank erosion of streams or channels, which can result in large quantities of sediment and sediment-binding pollutants entering the drainage system. Degraded coastal habitats such as salt marshes, lagoons, and wetlands can disrupt biological productivity, which can lead to unhealthy or poor ecosystems.

Rehabilitation projects aim to improve stream or channel conditions or restore habitats through engineered enhancements. Stream or channel rehabilitation projects stabilize stream banks or enhance stream settings to achieve water quality benefits. Stream or channel rehabilitation projects can include grading; construction of check structures, drop structures, and channel bed and bank protection measures (Figure 4-11); vegetation planting to protect the channel area; and modified channel cross-sections to promote hydrologic connectivity. Habitat rehabilitation projects aim to improve biological productivity or ecosystem functionality through the restoration of natural hydrologic processes, natural vegetation, and other baseline physical characteristics. In addition to water quality and habitat improvements, other benefits of rehabilitation projects can include restoration of benthic macroinvertebrates and terrestrial wildlife, which are indirect measures of water quality. Rehabilitation projects can also include educational opportunities that can lead to greater public understanding of water quality issues.



Figure 4-11
Restored Salt Marsh Habitat Along the
Banks of San Dieguito River in Del Mar
(The San Diego Wildfires Education Project, 2004)

4.2.3.3 Water Quality Improvement BMPs

The Responsible Agencies will implement green infrastructure when feasible, but site constraints sometimes preclude use of green infrastructure. In such cases, water quality improvement BMPs may be required to protect water resources. Water quality improvement BMPs include trash segregation, proprietary BMPs, and dry weather flow separation and treatment projects. Maintenance of these BMPs is covered separately under nonstructural strategies as part of each Responsible Agency's MS4 infrastructure maintenance programs, where applicable.

Trash segregation includes inlet devices, such as trash guards or trash racks that are installed to capture trash and debris before conveyance into receiving waters.

Proprietary BMPs are prefabricated commercial products such as hydrodynamic separators or catch basin filter inserts that typically try to provide storm water treatment in space-limited areas, often using patented and innovative technologies. Proprietary BMPs typically use settling, filtration, absorptive/adsorptive materials, vortex separation, and sometimes vegetative components to remove pollutants from runoff.

Dry weather flow separation and treatment projects are those identified and planned for by each respective Responsible Agency to target non-storm water dry season flows and divert these flows for treatment either onsite or to sanitary sewer systems and ultimately wastewater treatment plants.

4.2.4 Jurisdictional Strategies by Responsible Agency

Strategy selection within the San Dieguito River WMA is discussed in Section 4.2.1 and Appendix J. Sections 4.2.4.1 through 4.2.4.6 provide examples of recommended strategies for each Responsible Agency and jurisdiction-specific selection methodologies, if different from watershed-wide selection methodologies. The recommended strategies are those that are intended to specifically target the highest priority water quality conditions to achieve the numeric goals identified in Section 4.1. These strategies are a subset of each Responsible Agency's JRMP. A complete list of strategies by Responsible Agency, including the implementation approach, implementation year, and level of effort required, is presented in Appendix I.

As discussed in Sections 4.2.2 and 4.2.3, most nonstructural and structural strategies typically address multiple pollutants. For example, maintenance activities for catch basins and roads primarily target sediment, metals, and trash. In addition, bacteria and organics can also be removed. Green infrastructure strategies such as bioretention and bioswales primarily target bacteria, sediment, and metals; however, they can provide dissolved solids and organics reductions as well. Permeable pavement primarily targets sediment, oil and grease, and metals, but can provide secondary benefits toward bacteria and organics reductions as well.

4.2.4.1 City of Del Mar Example Strategies

The City of Del Mar (Del Mar) has selected jurisdictional strategies that best suit the topography and characteristics of its jurisdiction to comply with MS4 Permit requirements. Del Mar's land use primarily consists of low-density residential and commercial areas, so the strategies address problematic areas associated with these characteristics. The following example strategies have been identified to address the highest priority water quality conditions in Del Mar's jurisdiction within the San Dieguito River WMA. A complete list of strategies and their anticipated implementation schedule is provided in Appendix I. The strategies and schedules are subject to change and are contingent upon annual budget approvals and funding availability. They will be modified through the adaptive management process as needed. Any applicable projects which incorporate or implement this Plan will require its own environmental review, as required by the California Environmental Quality Act by the City of Del Mar as appropriate.

Development Planning – Greater Pervious Area Requirement

Del Mar has a stringent planning requirement that requires a conservative impervious area footprint-to-lot-size ratio, which assists in reducing the amount of directly connected impervious areas within its jurisdiction. Despite stringent planning requirements, the jurisdiction is highly developed, and many roads have not only limited right-of-way, but also limited physical space for green street implementation. While green streets will be considered, options may be limited due to right-of-way constraints and bluff stabilization concerns in many parts of the City of Del Mar.

Existing Development – Enhanced Patrol Program

A key strategy to address dry and wet weather bacteria loads from existing development, which includes commercial, industrial, municipal, and residential land uses, is a patrol-based program throughout the jurisdiction. Del Mar's size facilitates a hands-on approach to inspections, including mobile businesses. Frequent patrols, a minimum of six per year, allow for increased opportunities to identify potential illicit discharges and outreach to business owners and residents. Del Mar also has an irrigation control program in place to specifically address runoff associated with residential and commercial properties.

In addition to the patrol-based program, Del Mar performs street sweeping, catch basin cleaning, and other JRMP activities detailed further in Appendix I.

Public Education and Participation

Implementation of a public education and participation program promotes and encourages development programs, management practices, and behaviors that reduce the discharge of pollutants in storm water. Del Mar plans to continue and to expand several of its current outreach programs. Outreach program efforts distributing informational material on irrigation runoff through the patrol program, conducting trash cleanup events through community-based organizations, and collaborating with other regional education and outreach efforts. Del Mar also plans to review the City storm water website and identify and implement appropriate updates to reflect Water Quality Improvement Plan and JRMP revisions.

Wetland Rehabilitation – Participation in San Dieguito Wetland Restoration

Del Mar has been an active stakeholder in the San Dieguito Wetland Restoration Project, which began construction in 2006. This regional project with multi-jurisdictional involvement is discussed further in Section 4.2.5.1.

Collaboration with Phase II Permittee – 22nd District Agricultural Association

The Del Mar Fairgrounds property, operated by the 22nd DAA, is a Phase II MS4 Permittee and portions of the Fairgrounds are located within the City of Del Mar. The City of Del Mar will continue to coordinate and collaborate with the 22nd DAA on water quality-related issues. This strategy includes pursuing opportunities for coordinated efforts where mutual benefits to water quality may be achieved for the WMA.

4.2.4.2 City of Escondido Example Strategies

While most of the City of Escondido's (Escondido) jurisdiction is located within the Carlsbad Watershed, approximately 24 percent of the City's urban area is located within the San Dieguito River WMA. Significant park and open space is located within this portion of the City: Kit Carson Park (285 total acres, 185 acres of preserved open space), County-owned Felicita Park (53 total acres), and Lake Hodges open space (west of Del Dios Highway and west of I-15 adjacent to Lake Hodges) totaling 662 acres.

Escondido has a multiuse treatment area and sediment detention basin (Eagle Scout Lake, formerly Sand Lake) within the San Dieguito River WMA, which helps prevent sediment discharges to the San Dieguito River. Restoration and continued maintenance of this basin is a significant effort, costing hundreds of thousands of dollars and requiring extensive permitting efforts. Continued maintenance of this basin has been included as a key strategy for this watershed. Although structural BMP opportunities in the watershed will be evaluated, they are less of a priority in this portion of Escondido.

Most of the planned and existing development within the San Dieguito River WMA portion of Escondido is dedicated to residential and commercial purposes. The following example strategies have been identified to address the highest priority water quality conditions in Escondido's jurisdiction within San Dieguito River WMA. A complete list of strategies and their anticipated implementation schedule is provided in Appendix I. The strategies and schedules are subject to change and are contingent upon annual budget approvals and funding availability. They will be modified through the adaptive management process as needed.

Existing Development – Strategies Targeting Pollutant-Generating Activities

Escondido plans to administer a program aimed to target specific PGAs from existing development. This program would require implementation of minimum BMPs and set inspection frequencies specific to the existing facility types in commercial, industrial, municipal, and residential areas. BMP requirements and inspection frequencies would be specific to the facility, area type, and PGAs, as appropriate. For instance, facilities with the highest potential to generate bacteria (wet/dry), such as food/auto establishments that are subject to fats, oils, and grease (FOG) inspections, would have an increased inspection frequency of twice per year. This program would address other PGAs such as trash enclosures and water-using mobile businesses by establishing requirements and inspection and permitting requirements, respectively. Escondido will focus its property-based inspection program on priority drainage areas identified by persistent flows from major MS4 outfalls. In the San Dieguito River WMA, the drainage area of monitoring station HDG_102 will receive focused attention from staff with heightened inspections and outreach to residents. A pet waste program is intended to address bacteria through education and prevention measures.

Existing Development – Promote Water Conservation Programs that Improve Water Quality

Escondido plans to promote and collaborate with water agencies and other groups to encourage implementation of water conservation programs that improve water quality by reducing irrigation runoff with smart irrigation products or turf replacement and capturing rain water in residential areas. This includes promoting and encouraging implementation of designated BMPs in commercial, agricultural, and industrial areas through collaboration with the Metropolitan Water District of Southern California (MWD) to promote its SoCal WaterSmart rebates and products. Products intended to conserve water include weather-based irrigation controllers, rotating sprinkler nozzles, soil moisture sensor systems, rain barrels, and turf removal.

Public Education and Participation

New brochures on various BMPs have been developed for this permit cycle. Enhanced property-based inspections in priority drainage area HDG_102 will result in increased education of residents in that area on storm water and landscaping BMPs. Furthermore, the new residential program will enhance education of Home Owners Associations (HOAs) and encourage the use of water conservation incentives to also improve runoff quality. Finally, Escondido has a smartphone application called “Report It” for documenting complaints (graffiti removal, maintenance, and storm water discharges). This will be reviewed, and where possible upgraded, to make storm water issues more prominent to encourage more reporting of storm water violations.

Restoration of Eagle Scout (formerly Sand) Lake

Eagle Scout Lake (formerly Sand Lake) is an existing multiuse treatment area and sediment detention basin in the City of Escondido. A major restoration project in early 2014 improved water flow, water quality issues, and health and safety issues (vector control). Escondido anticipates performing a scheduled maintenance once every five years to regularly maintain this site. Actual maintenance frequency will be based on field observations by City staff.

4.2.4.3 City of Poway Example Strategies

The City of Poway (Poway), located in the middle of the San Dieguito River WMA, tends to have larger lot sizes and more pervious surfaces. In addition to administrative JRMP strategies, strategies focus on source control, such as open trash enclosures, and monitoring and reduction of the pollutant source exposure and storm water runoff at a public waste yard. The following example strategies have been identified to address the highest priority water quality conditions in Poway’s jurisdiction within San Dieguito River WMA. A complete list of strategies and their anticipated implementation schedule is provided in Appendix I. The strategies and schedules are subject to change and are contingent upon annual budget approvals and funding availability. They will be modified through the adaptive management process as needed.

Existing Development – Promote Water Conservation Programs that Improve Water Quality

Poway plans to promote and collaborate with water agencies and other groups to encourage implementation of water conservation programs that improve water quality by reducing irrigation runoff with smart products or turf replacement and capturing rain water in residential areas. Poway plans to promote and encourage implementation of designated BMPs in residential areas through collaboration with MWD and the San Diego County Water Authority (SDCWA) to promote SoCal Water\$mart rebates and products. Products intended to conserve water include Water\$mart irrigation systems, weather-based irrigation controllers, rotating sprinkler nozzles, soil moisture sensor system, rain barrels, and turf removal.

Existing Development – Reconfigure Department of Public Works Waste Yard to Reduce Pollutants

Poway has relocated activities within the Department of Public Works (DPW) waste yard to limit potential of untreated runoff and pollutant loading. Poway plans to enforce the site's Storm Water Pollution Prevention Plan (SWPPP) and perform annual monitoring.

Existing Development – MS4 Infrastructure Maintenance

Poway plans to continue to improve the MS4 infrastructure as well as roads, streets, and parking lots. Strategies to improve the MS4 infrastructure include optimizing catch basin cleaning to maximize pollutant removal, proactively repairing and replacing MS4 components to provide source control, increasing the frequency of open-channel cleaning and scour pond repair to reduce pollutant loads, and implementing controls to prevent sewage infiltration into the MS4. Strategies to enhance the street sweeping program include equipment upgrades and route optimization, sweeping of medians, and outreach of sweeping enhancement in targeted areas.

Public Education and Participation

Implementation of a public education and participation program promotes and encourages development programs, management practices, and behaviors that reduce the discharge of pollutants in storm water. Poway plans to continue and expand several of its current outreach programs by focusing on school-based and community-based education and outreach and events, and targeting human behavior in parks and other public areas that can have significant impacts to habitat, wildlife, and water quality. Poway also plans to review the storm water website and identify and implement required updates to reflect Water Quality Improvement Plan and JRMP revisions and collaborate with other ongoing regional education and outreach efforts.

4.2.4.4 City of San Diego Example Strategies

The City of San Diego (City) has identified administrative policies, urban development management programs, and innovative pilot projects, and is investing in research for site locations for green infrastructure and other treatment BMPs throughout its jurisdiction in multiple WMAs. Furthermore, the City is currently developing a framework to evaluate other¹ potential benefits that the recommended strategies may provide beyond those associated with water quality. These other benefits may be financial, environmental, or societal. Other benefits refer to additional outcomes of a strategy beyond water quality improvements, and can include reduced air pollution, increased water conservation, aesthetics-induced property value increases, and increased business investments. The recommended strategies will be scored on the basis of the number of other benefits they provide, and may guide future updates to the Water Quality Improvement Plan (Appendix L).

The following strategies are examples of those selected by the City and planned for implementation. A complete list of strategies planned for implementation and a description of the strategy selection process is provided in Appendix I.4. Appendix I.4 also presents the City's estimated total and annual funding needs to implement the jurisdictional strategies. These strategies will be implemented by the City; they are not intended to be implemented by private entities (e.g., development, business, industry, etc.). However, some of the City's strategies, such as development planning, may have implications for private entities. In the San Dieguito River WMA, an analysis using a watershed model was conducted to identify the strategies required to be implemented to meet interim and final goals. The strategies and implementation schedules identified in Appendix I.4 demonstrate that numeric goals will be met on the basis of that analysis. The adaptive management process provides the framework to evaluate progress toward meeting the goals and allows for modification of strategies, if necessary. If strategies are modified, the analysis will be updated as needed to provide assurance that numeric goals will be met. The strategies and schedules are subject to change and are contingent upon annual budget approvals and funding availability. They will be modified through the adaptive management process as needed.

The City of San Diego will address discharges of bacteria, and other pollutants through activities on public land across its jurisdiction in the San Dieguito River WMA. The following example strategies provide multiple benefits by addressing bacteria and sediment, as well as other water quality pollutants such as trash. They are targeted at reducing wet weather discharges, but may also assist the City in meeting dry weather numeric goals.

¹ Other benefits refer to outcomes of a strategy beyond water quality improvements. Other benefits can include reduced air pollution, increased water conservation, aesthetics-induced property value increases, and increased business investments.

Development Planning – Development and Implementation of a Green Infrastructure Policy and Program

In FY16, the City will begin developing a policy that will require the inclusion of green infrastructure features on all suitable City projects, including non-SUSMP (Standard Urban Storm Water Mitigation Plan) projects. This policy will be coordinated with ongoing efforts to update City design manuals and low-impact development (LID) design standards for Public LID BMPs. To guide implementation of the new policy, a green infrastructure program will be initiated in parallel. The program will begin with research and recommendations for ideal methods for green infrastructure project siting and prioritization within the City. By FY18, the City will initiate design of green infrastructure and green streets projects as detailed in the corresponding structural strategies.

Existing Development – Enhanced Property-Based Inspection Program

In FY16, the City plans to administer a program that will require implementation of minimum BMPs for existing development (commercial, industrial, municipal, and residential) that are specific to the facility, area types, and PGAs. This program would increase the number of discharges identified, compared with standard inspections. This program would also include the inspection of existing development at appropriate frequencies and methods, such as property-based inspections in lieu of traditional business inspections. The City conducted an extensive multi-year pilot study of its business inspection program and found that more discharges could be found and abated by inspecting large properties rather than individual businesses.

Existing Development – Increased Enforcement

The City intends to enhance enforcement responses by increasing the number of Code Compliance staff. Between FY16 and FY19, the City is planning to gradually hire additional Code Compliance Officers and support staff to increase compliance with statutes, ordinances, permits, contracts, orders, and other requirements for IDDE, development planning, construction management, and existing development, as detailed in the City's Enforcement Response Plan. This effort will target increased enforcement of irrigation runoff and water-using mobile businesses.

Existing Development – Residential and Commercial Rebate Programs Targeting Water Quality

The City plans to continue and expand its landscape-based rebate program to target water quality impacts from residential and commercial areas in FY16 and beyond. Expansion of this program can occur through distribution of promotional and information material and brochures to community groups, libraries, and recreational centers. Educational material would emphasize watershed stewardship and encourage the implementation of designated BMPs through rebates for rain barrels, grass replacement, downspout disconnections, and micro-irrigation.

Increased Public Education and Participation

The City of San Diego conducts an extensive public education and outreach program through its Think Blue program. Examples include the following:

- ❖ The City will continue and expand several of its current outreach programs. Outreach programs would be widely implemented but targeted to HOAs, Business Owners Associations (BOAs), maintenance districts, various community groups through organized community trash cleanup events, and water-using mobile businesses.
- ❖ Workshops will be held, community events will be organized, and informational material and brochures will be disbursed to reach community members to advise them of incentives, regulations, and training, and to provide general information they need for implementation of good watershed stewardship practices or BMPs.

Lake Hodges – Collaboration with Stakeholders

The City plans to continue to collaborate with City of San Diego Public Utilities Department (PUD) and other watershed stakeholders, including Integrated Regional Water Management (IRWM) and other grant projects, in ongoing efforts to address potential nutrient impairments in Lake Hodges. The City is planning to participate in the Lake Hodges Water Quality Concentration Study. This study will characterize conditions and identify sources to investigate the nutrient loads to Lake Hodges.

In addition, the City will collaborate with stakeholders and water agencies in ongoing efforts to address water quality issues in the San Dieguito River WMA as they pertain to MS4 discharges. This may include participation in IRWM-led efforts such as coordination and review of grant proposals, research, analysis, studies, and modeling.

Structural Strategies – Green Infrastructure

In addition to green infrastructure projects in place within the San Dieguito River WMA, a green street project on Callado Road near Pastoral Street will begin construction in FY16.

Cost of Service Study

The City plans to initiate a Cost of Service Study in FY15. This study will examine the full cost of flood control and storm water strategies needed to comply with storm water regulations for the City of San Diego. The City of San Diego's Watershed Asset Management Plan will be used as the basis for the study.

4.2.4.5 City of Solana Beach Example Strategies

The City of Solana Beach (Solana Beach) is a small coastal city with urban, dense development at the coastline and less dense residential lots and commercial centers to the east. Solana Beach, because of its small size, has inherent internal collaboration as staff implement multiple administrative programs, allowing oversight of planning, development, and enforcement on a holistic level. Similar to the other smaller jurisdictions, Solana Beach's jurisdictional strategies focus on implementing overarching programs, such as promoting BMPs in residential areas and collaborating with other departments and agencies to implement strategies. The following example strategies have been identified to address the highest priority water quality conditions in Solana Beach's jurisdiction within the San Dieguito River WMA. A complete list of strategies and their anticipated implementation schedule is provided in Appendix I. The strategies and schedules are subject to change and are contingent upon annual budget approvals and funding availability. They will be modified through the adaptive management process as needed.

Development Planning – Expanded Requirement for Onsite Treatment

To encourage LID and protect open space, Solana Beach requires the installment of a detention basin if redevelopment results in an increased impervious area of greater than 500 square feet.

Existing Development – Promote Water Conservation Programs that Improve Water Quality

Solana Beach plans to promote and encourage implementation of designated BMPs in residential and commercial areas. Through collaboration with Santa Fe Irrigation District (SFID), Solana Beach plans to promote runoff reduction products and services, promote MWD's SoCal Water\$mart rebates and products, and provide education to residential customers. Featured products include weather-based irrigation controllers, rotating sprinkler nozzles, soil moisture sensor systems, rain barrels, and turf removal.

MS4 Infrastructure – Proactive Sanitary Sewer Infrastructure Replacement Program

Solana Beach will continue to implement an aggressive sewer infrastructure replacement program. Solana Beach uses closed-circuit television (CCTV) to survey a quarter of the sewer infrastructure each year. The results lead to a prioritized list of sewer line replacement projects.

Public Education and Participation – Support the Clean and Green Committee

Solana Beach plans to implement a public education and participation program to promote and encourage development of programs, management practices, and behaviors that reduce the discharge of pollutants in storm water. The education and participation program will prioritize efforts by high-risk behaviors, pollutants of concern, and target audiences. Efforts would be focused on providing school-based education and outreach, encouraging the reduction of irrigation runoff, expanding outreach, training, and incentive programs to HOAs, developing outreach and training programs

for property managers responsible for HOAs and Maintenance Districts, conducting community trash cleanup events, and collaborating with other regional education and outreach efforts. Solana Beach also plans to continue to support the Clean and Green Committee, a committee of local residents and business owners working to preserve Solana Beach's environment.

Implementation of an NPDES Pollution Management Fee

Solana Beach plans to continue to apply a NPDES pollution management fee to residential and commercial waste and recycling to secure funding for implementation of water quality-related programs. This fee serves as a dedicated funding source to secure implementation of water quality improvement efforts.

Dry Weather Flow Separation and Treatment Projects

Partnering with San Elijo Joint Powers Authority, Solana Beach constructed the Seascape Sur Outfall Storm Water Diversion Structure Project in September 2014 (FY14). This project aims to treat an approximate drainage area of 40.5 acres.

4.2.4.6 County of San Diego Example Strategies

Open space, agriculture, and other low-density land uses cover much of the County of San Diego's jurisdiction within the San Dieguito River WMA. The jurisdictional strategies reflect this and were chosen because they are well suited for these types of land uses.

Dry Weather Strategies

The County's dry weather goal to effectively eliminate anthropogenic discharges will be accomplished through the implementation of numerous JRMP strategies to reduce dry weather runoff, as described in the County of San Diego JRMP. In particular, the County has shifted to a more active field program to better locate and abate dry weather flows. County storm water staff members spend a greater amount of time present in unincorporated communities identifying nuisance anthropogenic flows and addressing them through appropriate education and enforcement strategies. All County staff members have been trained to identify and report illicit discharges and illicit connections during required annual storm water training; this training has been updated to reflect recent MS4 Permit changes.

In addition to the increase in County staff field surveillance, the County is also implementing a focused program to reduce flow at targeted MS4 outfalls that have demonstrated persistent dry weather flows. Using dry weather monitoring data collected from 2013 to 2015, the County has determined four priority outfalls in the San Dieguito River WMA that will be monitored for dry weather flow. If dry weather flows are detected, staff members will initiate a field investigation to seek out and abate the source of flow. This effort will be leveraged and coordinated with the persistent flow outfall reduction being simultaneously investigated and potentially mitigated in accordance with the requirements of the dry weather monitoring program (Provision D.2.b(2)).

Using the strategies above, the County will target reduction of the number of persistently flowing outfalls by 20 percent by 2018. Alternatively, the County may demonstrate a 20 percent decrease in the aggregate flow of the MS4 outfalls by 2018. A baseline volume of flow would be established during FY15-16 through monitoring flow measurements. Efforts will be adaptively managed to mitigate dry weather flows and consider small-scale structural controls as needed during the second MS4 Permit term. For the final Bacteria TMDL compliance goal, scheduled for April 2021, the overall goal is no discharges from the County of San Diego's storm drain outfalls to the receiving water, as demonstrated through the storm drain outfall monitoring program.

Wet Weather Strategies

The County will address bacteria load reductions primarily through a programmatic approach. The programmatic approach involves reducing bacteria loads from storm drain outfalls. The metric established is the implementation of the storm water program, resulting in an estimated 10 percent reduction of the bacteria loads needed to meet compliance. Baseline loads will be determined during FY15-16. The load reduction is anticipated to take place incrementally by permit term, with a 2 percent reduction during the second permit term, a 2 percent reduction during the third permit term, and a 3.7 percent reduction during the fourth permit term. If the modeled reductions are not confirmed by monitoring, then program adjustments will be made according to the adaptive management process. This may require the incorporation of more effective strategies, changes in program design, or incorporation of additional structural BMPs if funding is available.

In addition, the County of San Diego will assess during the second permit term whether or not predicted bacteria reductions are being met through the programmatic program. If this assessment indicates that a final load reduction of 7.7 percent cannot be reached through changes to the programmatic approach, then structural BMPs will be considered. A county-wide program may be implemented that encourages small-scale structural BMPs through a public-private partnership. The BMPs may include roof downspout disconnects to landscaped areas, and rainwater use through rain barrel capture, rain gardens, and bioswales. This is in addition to the anticipated BMPs required to be constructed during redevelopment. If determined feasible, the public-private partnership small-scale BMP program is an optional strategy to be implemented only as needed and as funding becomes available.

4.2.5 Collaborative WMA Strategies

In addition to implementing strategies on a jurisdictional basis, Responsible Agencies may collaboratively implement projects within the WMA that improve water quality. The WMA strategies in the San Dieguito River WMA include continuation of the San Dieguito Wetland Restoration Project (Restoration Project) and watershed-wide efforts to encourage water conservation targeting dry weather goals with the reduction of irrigation runoff.

4.2.5.1 San Dieguito Wetland Restoration Project

Restoration of the San Dieguito coastal wetlands and lagoon system has been a goal of the Cities of Del Mar and San Diego, and the organizers of the San Dieguito River Park (SDRP), as stated in the San Dieguito Lagoon Resource Enhancement Program (adopted in 1979) and the San Dieguito River Park Concept Plan (adopted in 1994) (SDRP, 2014). The WMA strategies in the San Dieguito River WMA include the North Coast Corridor (NCC) Program and watershed-wide efforts to encourage water conservation targeting dry weather goals with the reduction of irrigation runoff.

In September of 2000, the Board of Directors of the San Dieguito River Park Joint Powers Authority (JPA) adopted the Park Master Plan for the Coastal Area (Park Master Plan), which proposed the restoration of the San Dieguito wetlands, non-tidal habitat restoration, and public access (Figure 4-12). The 150-acre wetland restoration work has been primarily accomplished by Southern California Edison (SCE) and partner owners of the San Onofre Nuclear Generating Station (SONGS), including San Diego Gas & Electric (SDG&E), City of Riverside, and City of Anaheim. The San Dieguito River Park JPA, Fish and Wildlife Service, and a variety of state and local agencies are also involved in the implementation of the remainder of the Park Master Plan, including restoring upland non-tidal habitats and establishing public access (SDRP, 2014).



Figure 4-12
San Dieguito Wetland Restoration Project Area
(San Dieguito Wetland Restoration Project, 2014)

Construction began in fall 2006 and the \$90-million Restoration Project was officially dedicated in 2011 (SDG&E, 2014). The Restoration Project has enhanced southern California's unique coastal and marine environment as the restoration has provided adequate tidal flushing and circulation to support biologically diverse habitats. Beyond protecting endangered species and providing habitat to hundreds of bird species and fish, the restoration project has also added a coastal segment to the Coast to Crest Trail, allowing public enjoyment of the wetlands area while protecting sensitive habitat and vegetation (SDG&E, 2014). Funding for monitoring and managing the wetlands is ongoing (SDG&E, 2014).

4.2.5.2 Collaborative Approach to Irrigation Reduction

Responsible Agencies of the San Dieguito River WMA are collaborating with water agencies to encourage implementation of water conservation efforts to aid in the reduction of irrigation runoff. In a Mediterranean climate such as that in southern California, water conservation that attempts to reduce irrigation and minimize storm water runoff can also improve water quality of receiving waterbodies. The MWD and SDCWA are primary water providers in southern California who lead regional and multijurisdictional programs that incentivize water conservation efforts that impact the reduction of irrigation runoff.

MWD's SoCal Water\$mart Program and SDCWA's WaterSmart Program support conservation efforts by offering incentives in the form of rebates for rain barrels, rotating sprinkler nozzles, weather-based irrigation controllers, soil moisture sensor systems, and turf replacement (MWD, 2014; SDCWA, 2014). The San Diego County Water Authority's WaterSmart program also offers landscape training classes and plant fairs to educate and engage the community on water conservation efforts. Several Responsible Agencies and local municipal water districts (e.g., SFID) promote and express interest in collaborating with MWD and SDCWA to support their water conservation incentive programs (Table 4-17). Funding and resources to support these region-wide water conservation efforts for each Responsible Agency are presented in Table 4-17.

There is also potential to collaborate with retail water suppliers who have more direct contact with water users and who can more effectively monitor water consumption to identify possible sources of system leaks and over-irrigation.

Table 4-17
Responsible Agency Collaboration with Regional and
WMA Water Conservation Programs

Responsible Agency	Responsible Departmental Agency	Metropolitan Water District (MWD)	San Diego County Water Authority (SDCWA)	Other
Solana Beach	Public Works Department (PWD)	✓	✓	Santa Fe Irrigation District (SFID)
Escondido	Environmental Programs Division (EP Div)	✓	✓	Water conservation is a responsibility of the Environmental Programs Division

Table 4-17 (continued)
Responsible Agency Collaboration with Regional and
WMA Water Conservation Programs

Responsible Agency	Responsible Departmental Agency	Metropolitan Water District (MWD)	San Diego County Water Authority (SDCWA)	Other
City of San Diego	Transportation and Storm Water Department (T&SW); Public Utilities Department (PUD)	✓	–	–
Del Mar	Clean Water Program (CWP)	✓	✓	–
Poway	Development Services Department (DSD)	✓	✓	–
San Diego County	Watershed Protection Program (WPP)	✓	✓	Other County departments, Coastkeeper, I Love a Clean San Diego, and Solana Center for Environmental Innovation

4.2.5.3 Offsite Alternative Compliance Option (WMAA)

The MS4 Permit allows for the implementation of offsite alternative compliance methods in lieu of meeting structural BMP design standards and/or hydromodification management criteria on the project site. To implement an alternative compliance program, a jurisdiction must first complete an optional WMAA as detailed in MS4 Permit Provision B.3.b(4). The San Diego County Copermittees have collectively funded and provided guidance for development of a regional WMAA. Findings of the draft regional WMAA, specific to the San Dieguito River WMA, are provided in Appendix M. The WMAA characterizes important processes of the watershed through creation of GIS layers that include the following information:

- ❖ A description of dominant hydrologic processes, such as areas where infiltration or overland flow likely dominates

- ❖ A description of existing streams in the watershed, including bed material and composition, and whether they are perennial or intermittent
- ❖ Current and anticipated future land uses
- ❖ Potential coarse sediment yield areas
- ❖ Locations of existing flood control structures and channel structures, such as stream armoring, constrictions, grade control structures, and hydromodification or flood management basins

Information from the WMAA can be used for the following purposes:

- ❖ To identify candidate projects that could potentially be used as offsite alternative compliance options in lieu of satisfying full onsite retention, biofiltration, and hydromodification runoff requirements
- ❖ To identify and/or prioritize areas where it is appropriate to allow certain exemptions from onsite hydromodification management BMPs

Alternative compliance methods can be implemented at the subwatershed scale (e.g., multiuse treatment area BMPs) or as green infrastructure BMPs (e.g., green streets). Regardless of scale, offsite alternative compliance BMPs mitigate for pollutants not reliably retained on the project site or hydromodification impacts not reliably mitigated onsite per requirements detailed in MS4 Permit Provisions E.3.c(1) and E.3.c(2). Note that onsite treatment control BMPs will still be required, although such BMPs would not be required to meet the onsite retention requirements. In addition to meeting site-specific structural BMP and hydromodification management requirements, alternative compliance methods can provide enhanced benefits for the WMA.

In addition to allowing for offsite alternative compliance program development, the WMAA findings can also assist in determining the feasibility of candidate projects for offsite alternative compliance implementation (MS4 Permit Provision B.3.b(4)(b)). The Responsible Agencies compiled a list of candidate projects that consider the numeric goals of the San Dieguito River WMA as well as projects previously identified in JRMPs and other regulatory documents. Candidate project lists currently available are provided in Appendix M. The Water Quality Improvement Plan will be updated to include the final candidate project list, as that list is made available.

The WMAA document was developed as part of a regional Copermittee effort and followed criteria set forth in the MS4 Permit. The effort included a call for data and information to be included in the analysis. Data included in the document are intended for guidance purposes. Where more site-specific information is available, then the more detailed information should be used.

The WMAA also provides an assessment of applicable exemptions to hydromodification management requirements, in addition to the MS4 Permit's allowed exemptions regarding direct discharges to receiving waters including the Pacific Ocean, lakes, or

reservoirs (or direct discharges to underground storm drains or concrete-lined channels directly discharging to the Pacific Ocean). For the San Dieguito River WMA, an exemption is recommended for direct discharges to the San Dieguito River downstream of Lake Hodges. No additional potential exemptions are recommended with regard to stabilized conveyances, highly impervious watersheds, or tidally influenced lagoons.

4.2.5.4 Collaboration with the Regional Board

The Responsible Agencies will work with the Regional Board to identify solutions and address sources of potential water quality impairments within the San Dieguito River WMA. Descriptions of the current priorities are provided below and will be updated as implementation, monitoring, and assessment continues.

Enforcement of the Conditional Waiver of Discharges from Agricultural and Nursery Operations (Ag Waiver)

As discussed in Section 1, the MS4 Permit requires the Responsible Agencies to control pollutants originating from Non-MS4 or non-municipal lands if those pollutants ultimately discharge into the MS4. Therefore, the Responsible Agencies recognize the need to collaborate with and improve communication between non-municipal entities within the WMA and the appropriate regulatory agencies to ensure that discharges are appropriately regulated before entering the MS4, and to improve water quality throughout the San Dieguito River WMA.

In the San Dieguito River WMA, a strategy to address bacteria, nutrient, and sediment impairment is to ensure that agricultural and nursery dischargers above Lake Hodges are fulfilling their requirements under the Ag Waiver. Enforcement is outside of the jurisdiction of the Responsible Agencies; however, the Responsible Agencies will work with the Regional Board to address potential priority areas.

Enforcement of Other Non-MS4 Dischargers

The Responsible Agencies will work with the Regional Board to identify and address other sources of potential water quality impairment within the San Dieguito River WMA. These sources may include working with Phase II MS4 dischargers, school districts, non-compliant or non-filing industrial dischargers, or non-compliant construction dischargers, as the need arises. In addition, the Regional Board should work with the MS4s to identify potential updates to TMDLs, the MS4 Permit, and other responsible parties' NPDES permits, as appropriate, to more accurately and fairly assign load responsibilities among all the responsible parties in the watershed.

Bacteria TMDL Updates

The Pacific Ocean Shoreline segment at the San Dieguito Lagoon Mouth was removed from the 303(d) list for REC-1 impairment in 2010. However, calculation of the Bacteria TMDL had already begun and the segment remained in the TMDL through TMDL adoption in 2011. The Pacific Ocean Shoreline segment was then incorporated into the TMDL requirements within the MS4 Permit in 2013. The Responsible Agencies will pursue removal of the beach segment from the Bacteria TMDL and Attachment E of the MS4 Permit.

In February 2010, the Regional Board adopted Resolution No. R9-2010-0001, *Resolution Amending the Water Quality Control Plan for the San Diego Basin (9) to Incorporate Revised Total Maximum Daily Loads for Indicator Bacteria, Project I – Twenty Beaches and Creeks in the San Diego Region (Including Tecolote Creek)* referred to as the Bacteria TMDL. As part of the Bacteria TMDL Implementation Plan, the Regional Board included a planned milestone to consider revisions to the Bacteria TMDL on the basis of new technical information provided by the dischargers or other entities within five years after the effective date of the Bacteria TMDL (April 4, 2016). The Counties of San Diego and Orange, and the City of San Diego, are coordinating with the Regional Board to assess the scope of a third-party TMDL reopener process.

4.2.5.5 *Participation in Watershed Council*

If a Watershed Council is re-established, the City of San Diego and potentially other Responsible Agencies will participate. Watershed Councils are typically locally organized, voluntary, non-governmental organizations, and are intended to broadly represent various stakeholders in the WMA. Goals of Watershed Councils may vary, but they generally promote protecting the watershed and sustaining natural resources. This coordination could assist in selecting WMA projects, identifying potential funding opportunities, and promoting communication among community groups and regulated agencies.

4.3 Implementation Schedule

Responsible Agencies must identify reasonable schedules that demonstrate progress toward achieving the interim and final numeric goals presented in Section 4.1. This Water Quality Improvement Plan incorporates the 20-year Bacteria TMDL compliance

schedule to attain wet weather goals and the 10-year Bacteria TMDL compliance schedule to attain dry weather goals. Strategy development and planning included an assessment of relative cost-effectiveness of each strategy and was one of the key drivers in phasing strategy implementation. Nonstructural BMPs are effective in reducing pollutant loads before they enter the storm drain and are generally cost-effective and require a shorter planning period. Therefore, most nonstructural strategies are planned for implementation before or upon approval of the Water Quality Improvement Plan. Structural BMPs can be cost-effective when greater load reductions are needed and treatment must occur after the pollutants enter the storm drain system, particularly when benefits other than water quality improvements are considered. However, planning for structural BMPs requires more time to secure resources, design BMPs, and obtain permits. Most of the structural BMPs are planned for later in the compliance period to allow more time to confirm that the implementation is necessary to meet numeric goals and that the BMPs have been designed to achieve the load reductions required, and that alternatives to construction have been evaluated.

4.3.1 Schedule

A summary of the implementation year and duration of each jurisdictional strategy is presented in Appendix I within each jurisdictional strategy table. If a jurisdictional strategy is not initiated upon approval of the Water Quality Improvement Plan, the expected implementation year is provided. The implementation description within the strategy tables for optional strategies provides the circumstances for implementation and the resources needed. Optional strategies are those strategies that may be triggered in the future to achieve the interim and final numeric goals. The schedules and resources required to implement the WMA strategies are presented in Section 4.2.5, as well as within each jurisdictional annual strategy for those jurisdictions participating in the WMA strategy. This section describes the selection of the schedule for implementation, the benefits expected from the strategies, and the timeframe for meeting the final and interim goals.

4.3.2 Progress Toward Achieving Numeric Goals

To show the expected progress toward achieving numeric goals, anticipated load reductions by strategy type have been estimated. An analysis of the estimate load reductions from the suite of nonstructural strategies resulted in an average 10 percent load reduction across constituents during both wet and dry weather. Modeling analysis completed for neighboring WMAs and extrapolated to San Dieguito River WMA resulted in dry weather load reductions of approximately 99 percent for nonstructural activities targeted at dry weather runoff. Therefore, to meet wet and dry weather goals, implementation of nonstructural activities are anticipated to meet interim and final goals. The following sections provide the anticipated progress toward achieving numeric goals during wet and dry weather.

4.3.2.1 Progress Toward Achieving Wet Weather Goals

The load reduction estimated from the suite of nonstructural strategies identified by the Responsible Agencies is 10 percent. A 10 percent load reduction for nonstructural

activities was estimated by averaging the range of measured and anticipated pollutant removal from the list of nonstructural strategies. Strategies were categorized as “high” percent removal, those with greater Responsible Agency control (operation and maintenance of MS4 infrastructure), or “low” percent removal, those requiring public behavior changes. The estimated range of pollutant load reduction was as low as approximately 2 percent and as high as 72 percent. The projected overall average percent removal for all constituents and all activities is 10.1 percent. The projected average bacteria removal from the list of strategies was 11.7 percent (HDR, 2014).

The Bacteria TMDL wet weather load reduction required within the San Dieguito River WMA is less than 10 percent for all indicator bacteria species; therefore, it is anticipated that the suite of nonstructural strategies selected by each Responsible Agency will lead to protection of beneficial uses in the receiving water by providing an overall 10 percent load reduction. The expected progress toward achieving interim and final wet weather WMA load reductions goals is presented in Figure 4-13. As strategies are implemented over time (x-axis), the anticipated load reduction increases (y-axis). If monitoring and assessment demonstrate that the Water Quality Improvement Plan interim goals are not being met, Responsible Agencies may adapt their programs and assess the incorporation of optional strategies, potentially including structural BMPs.

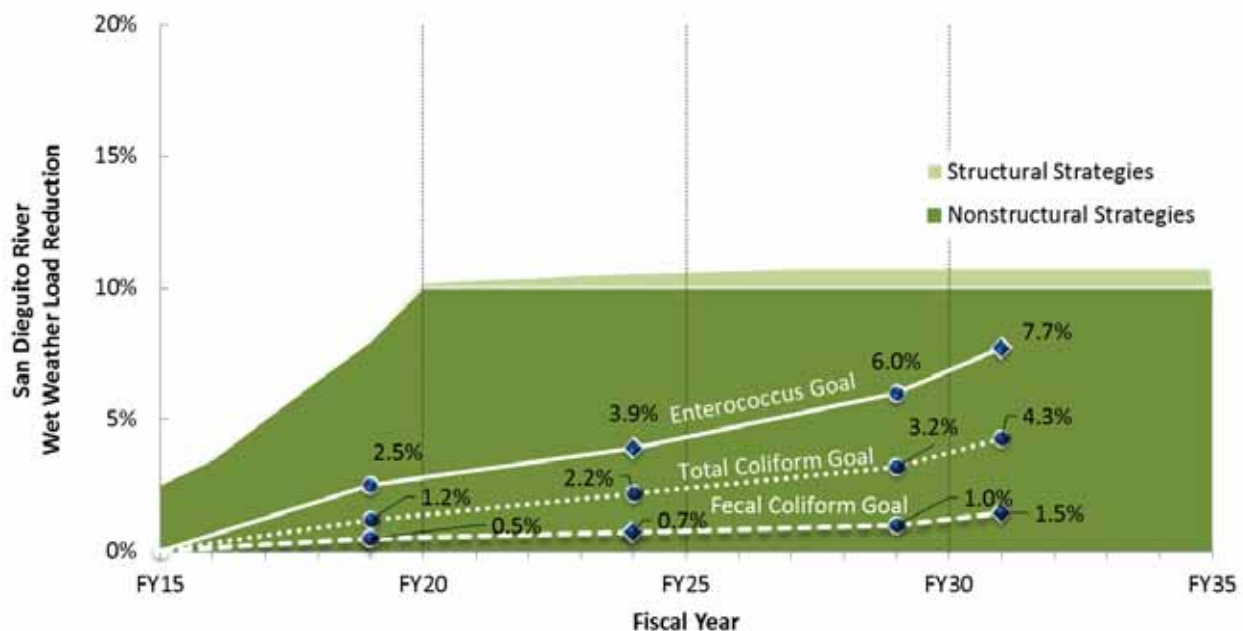


Figure 4-13
Progress Toward Achieving Wet Weather Interim and
Final Watershed Load Reduction Numeric Goals

Compliance with wet weather goals may also be met in the receiving water by achieving interim and final wet weather exceedance frequencies. The existing exceedance

frequencies were calculated during the development of the Bacteria TMDL. As discussed in Section 4.1, the existing exceedance frequency is 43 percent for fecal and total coliform and 49 percent for *Enterococcus*. Historical wet weather monitoring is not available to provide an up-to-date baseline for the wet weather exceedance frequency. Future wet weather receiving water monitoring (discussed in Section 5) will provide a baseline and allow future demonstration of progress toward meeting the interim and final receiving water goals.

4.3.2.2 Progress Toward Achieving Dry Weather Goals

The expected progress toward achieving interim and final dry weather goals will be based on monitoring results and relies mostly on the implementation of JRMPs, such as the IDDE program, irrigation reduction, and public outreach and education programs. The expected progress toward achieving interim and final dry weather WMA load reductions goals is presented in Figure 4-14. As strategies are implemented over time (x-axis), the anticipated load reduction increases (y-axis).

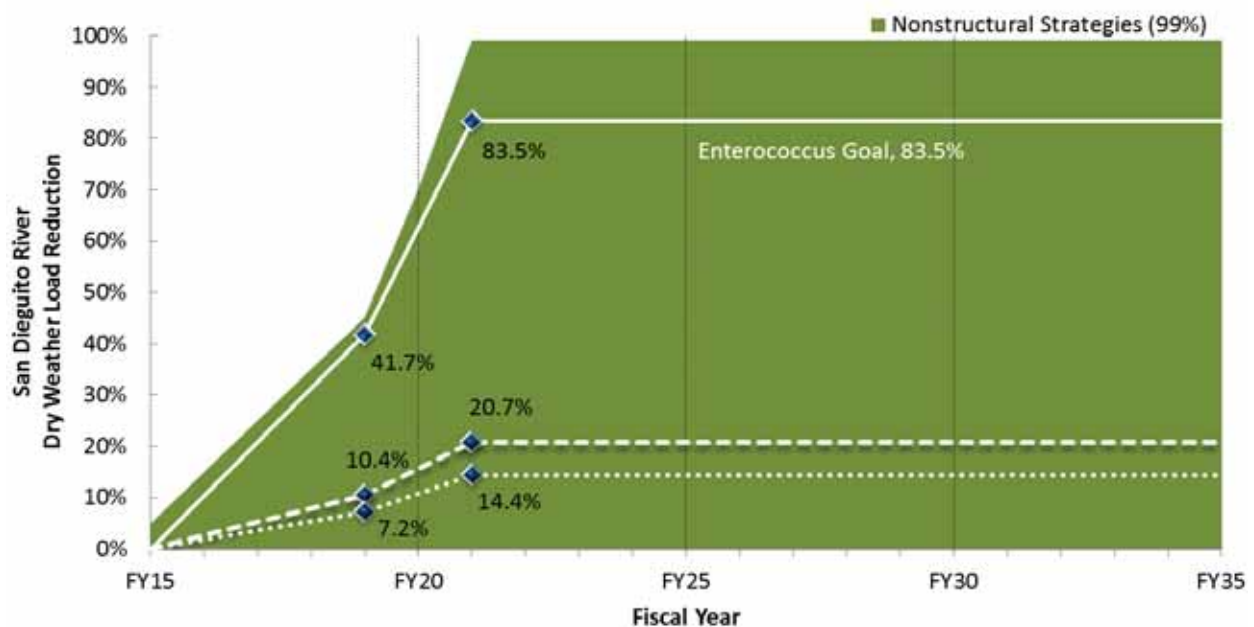


Figure 4-14
Progress Toward Achieving Dry Weather Interim and
Final Watershed Load Reduction Numeric Goals

The “existing” dry weather receiving water exceedance frequency was calculated, as required by the MS4 Permit, by analyzing the available monitoring data collected between January 1, 1996, and December 31, 2002. The existing dry weather exceedance frequency (percentage of dry weather days exceeding the WQO at the shoreline) is 17 percent for *Enterococcus*. Fecal coliform and total coliform monitoring results exceeded the WQOs in 11 percent and 6 percent of the samples, respectively. TMDL dry weather modeling results approximated the need for an 84 percent load

reduction of *Enterococcus* from the watershed to meet the final goal of zero allowable exceedance days (a 0 percent exceedance frequency) during dry weather. Fecal coliform and total coliform watershed load reductions are estimated at 21 percent and 14 percent, respectively.

It is anticipated that the targeted effort each Responsible Agency is taking to reduce dry weather flows, including promotion of landscaping techniques and tools to eliminate irrigation runoff, inspection programs targeting residential and commercial landscape and other water-using activities, and education and outreach, will meet the Water Quality Improvement Plan goals and TMDL targets. Modeling simulations of 25 percent irrigation reduction and elimination of overspray have projected significant bacteria reductions in Mission Bay WMA, Los Peñasquitos WMA, and Chollas Watershed. On average, projected load reductions of fecal coliform, *Enterococcus*, and total coliform are 99.4 percent, 99.2 percent, and 99.2 percent, respectively. Thus, implementing these programs is anticipated to meet or exceed the required dry weather load reduction goals. If monitoring and assessment demonstrate that compliance is not occurring, Responsible Agencies will adapt their programs and assess the incorporation of optional strategies, including structural BMPs.

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5 Water Quality Improvement Plan Monitoring and Assessment Program

This section of the Water Quality Improvement Plan describes the development of the Monitoring and Assessment Program for the San Dieguito River WMA. The Monitoring Program includes three major components: (1) the receiving water monitoring program measures the long-term health of the watershed; (2) the MS4 outfall monitoring program investigates the elimination of dry weather flows from MS4 outfalls and improvement to the quality of the flows that exit the MS4 outfalls during rain events; and (3) special studies take a further look into the highest priority water quality conditions presented in Section 2. The Assessment Program includes an annual analysis of the monitoring data and an integrated analysis that combines all previously performed analyses at the end of the MS4 permit term.

Section 5 Highlights

- ❖ Develops the Monitoring and Assessment Program for the San Dieguito River WMA Water Quality Improvement Plan
- ❖ Monitoring Program includes the following components:
 - Receiving Water Monitoring
 - Includes 18 total locations for 1 to 5 years of monitoring per location
 - Measures long-term health and attainment of beneficial uses
 - MS4 Outfall Monitoring
 - Includes 19 total locations
 - Dry weather: Includes inspections and inventory development with the goal of eliminating non-storm flow
 - Wet weather: Investigates whether there is a reduction in flow volumes and an improvement in discharge quality
 - Special Studies
- ❖ Assessment Program includes:
 - Annual assessments, including a review of the receiving water, MS4 outfall, and special studies data
 - A permit term assessment, combining all previous assessments into an integrated assessment

As shown in the graphic below, the fourth step of the Water Quality Improvement Plan (Monitoring & Assessment) is the development an integrated Monitoring and Assessment Program for the San Dieguito River WMA (Provision B.4, Provision D, Provision E, Provision F, and Attachment E). The Monitoring and Assessment Program moves into the second phase of the Water Quality Improvement Plan process.



The first three steps of the Water Quality Improvement Plan drive the Responsible Agencies' program planning and budgeting processes:

- (1) Determining the priority water quality conditions
- (2) Identifying the sources
- (3) Defining goals, strategies, and schedules in relation to the highest priority water quality conditions

The last three steps of the Water Quality Improvement Plan are designed to evaluate the progress in addressing the priority water quality conditions through monitoring and assessment, updating the Water Quality Improvement Plan where needed (Adaptive Management Process, Section 6 of the Water Quality Improvement Plan), and reporting the findings of the assessments along with any necessary changes. Annual Reporting is described under both Section 5 and Section 6 of this Water Quality Improvement Plan, as it draws on both the Monitoring and Assessment Program and the Adaptive Management Process.

Based on the requirements of the MS4 Permit and Water Quality Improvement Plan process, the Responsible Agencies in the San Dieguito River WMA have developed an integrated Monitoring and Assessment Program that:

- (1) Assesses the progress toward achieving the numeric goals and schedules provided in Section 4
- (2) Measures the progress toward addressing the highest priority water quality conditions established in Section 2
- (3) Evaluates each Responsible Agency's overall efforts to implement the Water Quality Improvement Plan

The Monitoring and Assessment Program incorporates requirements of Provision B and Provision D of the MS4 Permit along with the specific monitoring and assessment requirements for the Bacteria TMDL listed in Attachment E of the MS4 Permit. Table 5-1 presents an overview of planned monitoring activities for the San Dieguito River WMA, including key monitoring elements and an implementation schedule by program. The program is designed to characterize the pollutant levels associated with the highest priority water quality conditions in the discharges from the MS4 outfalls, identify sources of the highest priority water quality condition pollutants, and assess the effectiveness of strategies designed to address the highest priority water quality conditions. Additionally, these programs will generate data to track priority water quality conditions and general health and condition within the WMA. As stated in Provision D of the MS4 Permit:

Water Quality Improvement Plan Monitoring includes sampling and analysis, inspection, and data collection at beaches, creeks, estuaries, and storm drain outfalls to observe conditions, improve understanding, and inform the management within the WMA to improve water quality conditions.

“The purpose of this provision is for the Copermittees to monitor and assess the impact on the conditions of receiving waters caused by discharges from the Copermittees’ MS4s under wet weather and dry weather conditions. The goal of the Monitoring and Assessment Program is to inform the Copermittees about the nexus between the health of receiving waters and the water quality condition of the discharges from their MS4s. This goal will be accomplished through monitoring and assessing the conditions of the receiving waters, discharges from the MS4s, pollutant sources and/or stressors, and effectiveness of the water quality improvement strategies implemented as part of the Water Quality Improvement Plans.”

To implement the Water Quality Improvement Plan process, the Monitoring and Assessment Program will provide the tools necessary to evaluate the main components presented in Sections 2 through 4 of the Water Quality Improvement Plan. In particular, the assessment focuses on the compliance pathways described in Section 4. To do this, Section 5 is divided into two main components, Monitoring and Assessment. Figure 5-1 summarizes the main components of the San Dieguito River WMA Monitoring and Assessment Program.

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**Table 5-1
 Water Quality Improvement Plan Monitoring Overview**

MS4 Permit Monitoring Programs			Monitoring Elements	Permit Schedule ¹				
				2013-2014	2014-2015	2015-2016	2016-2017	2017-2018
Monitoring to Assess Goals and Schedules		Dry/ Wet	Varies by goal and jurisdiction	–	–	●	●	●
Receiving Water Monitoring	Long-Term Receiving Water Monitoring		Conventional ² , FIB, nutrients, metals, pesticides, toxicity (chronic), possible TIE/TREs, visual observations, field measurements	–	● ³	–	–	–
			Hydromodification (channel conditions, discharge points, habitat integrity, evidence and estimate of erosion and habitat impacts)	–	● ³	–	–	–
			Bioassessment (BMI taxonomy, algae taxonomy, physical habitat characteristics)	–	● ³	–	–	–
			Conventional ² , FIB, nutrients, metals, pesticides, toxicity (chronic), field measurements	–	● ³	–	–	–
	Regional Monitoring Participation							
		Bight	Dry	Chemistry, toxicity, benthic infauna	●	–	–	● ⁴
		SMC	Dry	Bioassessment	●	●	●	●
		2011 Hydromodification Monitoring Program (HMP)	Wet	Channel assessments; flow monitoring; sediment transport monitoring	●	●	●	–
		AB 411 ⁵	Dry	FIB	●	●	●	●

Table 5-1 (continued)
Water Quality Improvement Plan Monitoring Overview

MS4 Permit Monitoring Programs				Monitoring Elements	Permit Schedule ¹				
					2013-2014	2014-2015	2015-2016	2016-2017	2017-2018
Receiving Water Monitoring (continued)	Sediment Quality Monitoring	Sediment Quality Monitoring	Dry	Chemistry, toxicity, benthic infauna	● ⁶	●	–	–	–
	TMDL Monitoring	Bacteria TMDL for Pacific Ocean Shoreline at San Dieguito Lagoon Mouth	Dry	FIB, visual observations, optional field measurements	–	–	●	●	●
			Wet	FIB, visual observations, optional field measurements	–	–	●	●	●
MS4 Monitoring	MS4 Field Screening		Dry	Visual: flow condition, presence and assessment of trash in and around the station, IC/IDs, descriptions	● ⁷	● ⁷	●	●	●

Table 5-1 (continued)
Water Quality Improvement Plan Monitoring Overview

MS4 Permit Monitoring Programs			Monitoring Elements	Permit Schedule ¹				
				2013-2014	2014-2015	2015-2016	2016-2017	2017-2018
MS4 Monitoring (continued)	MS4 Outfall	Dry	Field parameters, conventionals ² , nutrients, metals, FIB	–	–	●	●	●
		Wet	Field parameters, conventionals ² , nutrients, metals, FIB	● ⁷	● ⁷	●	●	●
Special Studies	San Diego Regional Reference Streams and Beaches	Dry	Field parameters, conventionals ¹ , FIB, instantaneous flow	2012-2014	● ⁸	–	–	–
			Streams only: nutrients, metals, bioassessment (including physical habitat and chlorophyll a)	2012-2014	–	–	–	–
		Wet	Field parameters, conventionals ¹ , FIB	2012-2014	●	–	–	–
			Streams only: nutrients, metals, toxicity, flow, and precipitation (duration of storm)	2012-2014	●	–	–	–

Table 5-1 (continued)
Water Quality Improvement Plan Monitoring Overview

MS4 Permit Monitoring Programs			Monitoring Elements	Permit Schedule ¹				
				2013-2014	2014-2015	2015-2016	2016-2017	2017-2018
Special Studies (continued)	San Dieguito River WMA Bacteria Source Identification and Prioritization Process Special Study	NA	GIS analysis, literature review, data gap analysis	–	–	●	–	–
	Proposed Nutrient Load Characterization for Lake Hodges led by the City of San Diego's Public Utilities Department	TBD	The schedule and program elements of this study are currently under development and elements will be included in the first Water Quality Improvement Plan Annual Report	–	–	–	●	●
	Stream Gauge Study	Dry/Wet	Temperature, water level, conductivity (location-dependent)	–	●	●	–	–

BMI = benthic macroinvertebrates; BOD = biological oxygen demand; FIB = fecal indicator bacteria; IC/ID = illicit connection and/or illicit discharge; MST = microbial source tracking; NA = not applicable; O&G = oil and grease; SDC-MLS = San Dieguito Mass Loading Station; SMC = Southern California Stormwater Monitoring Coalition; TBD = to be determined; TIE = toxicity identification evaluation; TRE = toxicity reduction evaluation

1. The MS4 Permit was adopted on May 8, 2013; the MS4 Permit became effective on June 27, 2013. Note that the implementation of the programs will depend on the approval date of the Water Quality Improvement Plan and the fiscal year of implementation may be modified.
2. Definition of conventionals (conventional parameters) is based on Storm Water Management Plan (SWMP) guidelines.
3. Completed under the Transitional Monitoring Program according to MS4 Permit Provisions D.1.a and D.2.a. Note that the second dry weather monitoring event is planned for May 2015. Given the extreme drought conditions, there is the potential that the selected site may not have enough flow to allow for monitoring to occur. The dry weather long-term receiving water monitoring may then be extended.
4. The 2018 Southern California Bight Regional Monitoring will occur during the summer of 2018 or 2019.
5. The AB 411 program is not required by the MS4 Permit. Responsible Agencies are using the data to track beach water quality conditions related to the highest priority water quality condition for the WMA.
6. Sediment Quality Monitoring was completed under the 2013 Southern California Bight Regional Monitoring Program.
7. Completed under the Transitional Monitoring Program according to MS4 Permit Provisions D.1.a and D.2.a.
8. Dry weather monitoring at reference streams was completed in spring 2014. Dry weather monitoring at reference beaches began in fall 2014.



Figure 5-1
Monitoring and Assessment Program Components for the
San Dieguito River WMA

5.1 Water Quality Improvement Plan Monitoring Program

The Water Quality Improvement Plan Monitoring Program has three major components:

- ❖ Receiving water monitoring
- ❖ MS4 outfall discharge monitoring
- ❖ Special studies

Those three components, together with other information gathered from jurisdictional sources, are used to assess progress toward achieving short-term goals and schedules, as described in Section 5.1.1, below.

A summary of the Water Quality Improvement Plan Monitoring Program (including detailed information required to complete the monitoring tasks) is in Appendix N. The associated monitoring plans for each of the various elements described in Sections 5.1.1 through 5.1.4 will be available on the Project Clean Water Website, <http://www.projectcleanwater.org/index.php>, by June 2015. The methods and procedures described in these plans may be modified on the basis of site-specific environmental conditions and updated analytical methodologies.

- ❖ Wet weather is defined as >0.1 inch of rainfall within a 24-hour period and the following 72 hours after the end of rainfall.
- ❖ Dry weather is defined as all other days where rainfall is <0.1 inch of rainfall within a given 24-hour period.

5.1.1 Monitoring to Assess Progress Toward Achieving Goals and Schedules

This section summarizes monitoring designed to assess progress toward achieving goals related to the highest priority water quality condition, which is bacteria for the San Dieguito River WMA, as described in Chapter 2 of the Water Quality Improvement Plan. As outlined in Chapter 4 of the Water Quality Improvement Plan, goals are based on the multiple compliance pathways set forth for the Bacteria TMDL in Attachment E.6 of the MS4 Permit. Compliance with the TMDL may be demonstrated via one of the compliance pathways identified in the MS4 Permit. The proposed compliance dates for both the TMDL's interim goals and final goals are set outside of this Permit cycle. Table 5-2 presents the interim and final TMDL goals along with monitoring that may be used to track progress toward achieving the goals.

Each Responsible Agency has established jurisdictional goals for bacteria, the highest priority water quality condition, during this MS4 Permit term to demonstrate progress toward compliance with the TMDL requirements. Generally, Responsible Agencies have identified near-term goals to address potential bacteria sources and/or to reduce anthropogenic dry weather flow in MS4 outfalls. Data collection or monitoring elements that go beyond the prescribed MS4 Permit activities are tailored to measure progress toward meeting each goal. These elements, which are further detailed in the following

subsections, may include visual surveys, inspections, sampling and analysis, or field measurements, and development of new outreach and source control programs related to bacteria reduction.

Table 5-2
Monitoring Related to Bacteria TMDL Interim and Final Goals¹

Compliance Pathway		TMDL Goal	Monitoring Elements
1 OR	Receiving Water Conditions	Meet allowable exceedance frequency of the interim or final Receiving Water Limitations (RWLs) in the receiving water	Bacteria data collected at compliance points as described in Section 5.1.2, TMDL Monitoring Program
2 OR	MS4 Outfall Discharges	Meet allowable exceedance frequency in MS4 outfall discharges	Bacteria and flow data collected at outfalls as described in as described in Section 5.1.3, MS4 Outfall Monitoring
3 OR	MS4 Outfall Discharges	Pollutant load reductions for discharges from the Responsible Agencies' MS4 outfalls greater than or equal to the final load reductions	Bacteria and flow data collected at outfalls as described in as described in Section 5.1.3, MS4 Outfall Monitoring
4 OR	MS4 Outfall Discharges	No direct or indirect discharge from the Responsible Agencies' MS4 outfalls to the receiving water ²	Visual observation of flow from outfalls to receiving waters as described in Section 5.1.3, MS4 Outfall Monitoring
5 OR	Receiving Water Conditions	Exceedances of the final receiving water limitations in the receiving waters due to loads from natural sources	Data from Sections 5.1.1, 5.1.2, 5.1.4, and Jurisdictional Runoff Management Programs.

Table 5-2 (continued)
Monitoring Related to Bacteria TMDL Interim and Final Goals¹

Compliance Pathway		TMDL Goal	Monitoring Elements
6	Water Quality Improvement Plan	Implementation of Water Quality Improvement Plan and use of adaptive management (Interim Goal)	Data from Jurisdictional Runoff Management Programs
		OR	
		Implementation of Water Quality Improvement Plan and use of adaptive management (Final Goal)	Data from monitoring and Jurisdictional Runoff Management Programs

1. The County of San Diego proposed schedule to meet the TMDL interim goals in Attachment E.6 of the MS4 Permit is 2021 for dry weather and 2028 for wet weather. All other Copermittees propose to meet the TMDL interim goals by 2019 for dry weather and 2024 for wet weather.
2. Does not include allowable discharges as defined in MS4 Permit Provision A and Provision E.2.a.

Wet Weather Bacteria Monitoring Related to Performance Measures

Responsible Agencies have established wet weather goals for the 2013-2018 MS4 Permit term. Table 5-3 summarizes the data that will be collected to assess these goals by jurisdiction.

Table 5-3
Wet Weather Monitoring Related to Jurisdictional Goals

Jurisdiction	First Permit Term Numeric Goals 2013-2018	Assessment Metric	Monitoring Elements
City of Del Mar	Reduce by 10% anthropogenic surface dry weather flows ¹ that originate within the City's jurisdictional boundaries to address bacteria regrowth contributing during wet weather	Percent anthropogenic surface dry weather flow ¹ reduction at MS4 outfalls	Collect flow measurements at selected MS4 outfalls during dry weather

Table 5-3 (continued)
Wet Weather Monitoring Related to Jurisdictional Goals

Jurisdiction	First Permit Term Numeric Goals 2013-2018	Assessment Metric	Monitoring Elements
City of Escondido	Implement and maintain water quality improvement BMPs to target fecal coliform, <i>Enterococcus</i> , total coliform, sediment, and nutrients from 4 acres of drainage area	Acres of drainage area treated by restoration of 1 sediment detention basin in a multiuse treatment area at Eagle Scout (formerly Sand) Lake, Kit Carson Park	Detail the restoration of the BMP, including acres treated
City of San Diego	Develop a green infrastructure policy, attain City Council approval, and construct green infrastructure BMPs to improve water quality from 10.6 acres of drainage area	Acres of drainage area treated by construction of 2 green infrastructure BMPs	Detail the completion of BMPs, including acres treated
City of Solana Beach	Direct 40.5 acres of low flows to the sanitary sewer through construction of 1 diverter at high priority outfall Seascape Sur	Acres of low flow directed to sanitary sewer	Detail the completion of diverter, including acres treated
	Design and construct curb cuts to treat 8 acres of drainage area along Highway 101	Acres of drainage area treated by curb cuts	Detail the completion of curb cuts, including acres treated
County of San Diego	Implement programmatic (nonstructural) BMPs to achieve source reduction of bacteria loads from the MS4 outfalls	Anticipated percent bacteria load reduction	Detail programmatic BMPs implemented
	Reduce % bacteria loads by TBD in FY15-16 from distributed BMPs constructed between 2003 and 2009 during redevelopment	Anticipated percent bacteria load reduction	Detail structural BMPs ²

1. The term “dry weather flow” excludes groundwater, other exempt or permitted non-storm water flows, and sanitary sewer overflows.

2. Implementation of structural BMPs is optional, as needed, and as funding is available.

Dry Weather Bacteria Monitoring Related to Performance Measures

Responsible Agencies have established dry weather goals for the 2013-2018 MS4 Permit term. Table 5-4 summarizes the data that will be collected to assess these goals by jurisdiction.

**Table 5-4
Dry Weather Monitoring Related to Jurisdictional Goals**

Jurisdiction	First Permit Term Numeric Goals 2013-2018	Assessment Metric	Monitoring Elements
City of Del Mar	Reduce by 10% anthropogenic surface dry weather flows ¹ that originate within the City's jurisdictional boundaries	Percent anthropogenic surface dry weather flow reduction at MS4 outfalls	Collect flow measurements at selected MS4 outfalls
City of Escondido	Reduce by 10% flow in priority drainage area with persistent flow	Percent flow reduction at a priority MS4 outfall	Collect flow measurements at a priority MS4 outfall (HDG_102)
City of Poway	Achieve a 5% increase in turf conversion from baseline	Percent increase in turf conversion	Specify City programs tracking the implementation of turf conversion, including turf conversion increase
City of San Diego	Develop a green infrastructure policy, attain City Council approval, and construct green infrastructure BMPs to improve water quality from 10.6 acres of drainage area	Acres of drainage area treated by construction of 2 green infrastructure BMPs	Detail the completion of BMPs, including acres treated
	Reduce by 10% the prohibited ² dry weather flow from baseline measured at persistently flowing outfalls during dry weather	Percent reduction in prohibited ² dry weather flow	Collect flow measurements at persistently flowing outfalls

Table 5-4 (continued)
Dry Weather Monitoring Related to Jurisdictional Goals

Jurisdiction	First Permit Term Numeric Goals 2013-2018	Assessment Metric	Monitoring Elements
City of Solana Beach	Direct 40.5 acres of low flows to the sanitary sewer through construction of 1 diverter at high priority outfall Seascape Sur	Acres of low flow directed to sanitary sewer	Detail the completion of diverter, including acres treated
	Design and construct curb cuts to treat 8 acres of drainage area along Highway 101	Acres of drainage area treated by curb cuts	Detail the completion of curb cuts, including acres treated
County of San Diego	Reduce by 20% the aggregate flow volume or the number of persistently flowing outfalls during dry weather	Percent reduction in dry weather flow ¹	Collect flow measurements at persistently flowing outfalls

1. The term “dry weather flow” excludes groundwater, other exempt or permitted non-storm water flows, and sanitary sewer overflows.
2. Does not include allowable discharges as defined in MS4 Permit Provision A and Provision E.2.a.

5.1.2 Receiving Water Monitoring

The purpose of the receiving water monitoring program is to characterize trends in the chemical, physical, and biological conditions of a receiving water to determine whether beneficial uses are protected, maintained, or enhanced. This program is designed to meet requirements set forth in Provision D.1 of the MS4 Permit. Long-term monitoring occurs during both wet and dry conditions for water quality and physical and biological integrity, along with sediment quality monitoring and participation in regional monitoring. The MS4 Permit also stipulates how TMDL monitoring requirements are to be incorporated into the receiving water monitoring program as described in Attachment E of the MS4 Permit. Receiving waters monitoring comprises the following programs:

- ❖ Long-term receiving water monitoring
- ❖ Regional monitoring participation
- ❖ Sediment quality monitoring
- ❖ TMDL monitoring

Long-Term Receiving Water Monitoring

Long-term receiving water monitoring will track the overall health of the receiving waters and is designed to answer the following questions:

- ❖ Are conditions in the receiving water protective, or likely protective, of beneficial uses?
- ❖ What are the extent and magnitude of the current or potential receiving water problems?
- ❖ Are the conditions in the receiving water getting better or worse?

Dry and wet weather monitoring will continue at the historical mass loading station (SDC-MLS) located on the San Dieguito River below Lake Hodges. Copermittees have monitored SDC-MLS since 2001 to meet requirements of previous MS4 Permits. The MLS is depicted on Figure 5-2. This site will be monitored three times during dry weather and three times during wet weather per permit cycle. This monitoring program is designed to monitor the highest priority water quality conditions in the receiving water, along with a comprehensive list of constituents based on the 303(d) list impairments, Comprehensive Load Reduction Plan (CLRP), non-storm water action levels (NALs) or storm water action levels (SALs), and Table D-3 of the MS4 Permit. During both dry and wet weather, water samples will be analyzed for conventional constituents, nutrients, metals, pesticides, bacteria, field parameters, and toxicity, when applicable. Toxicity identification evaluations (TIEs), if necessary, will be conducted in compliance with Provisions D.1.c(4)(f) and D.1.d(4) of the MS4 Permit and used to determine the causative agent(s) of toxicity. Once per term during dry weather, a bioassessment will be conducted to evaluate chemical, physical, and biological data, and hydromodification monitoring will be conducted to record the stream conditions and habitat integrity and impacts. These data can be used to re-evaluate priorities via the iterative approach described in Section 6.

The 2013 and 2014 Transitional Monitoring Programs satisfied long-term receiving water monitoring requirements, including dry and wet weather water quality sampling, bioassessments, and hydromodification monitoring for this Permit term. For details of this monitoring program, refer to Appendix N. The methods and procedures provided in Appendix N may be modified on the basis of site-specific environmental conditions and updated analytical methodologies.

Regional Monitoring Participation

Regional monitoring includes separate studies that will evaluate various aspects of receiving water health on a regional scale. The data may be used by Responsible Agencies to answer the following questions:

- ❖ Are conditions in the receiving water protective, or likely protective, of beneficial uses?

- ❖ What are the extent and magnitude of the current or potential receiving water problems?

Responsible Agencies will participate in the following regional programs:

- ❖ Bight

The Bight regional monitoring program is a multi-agency collaborative effort developed to assess the ecological condition of the Southern California Bight from a regional perspective. The core monitoring program consists of sediment chemistry, sediment toxicity, benthic infauna, demersal fish, and epibenthic invertebrates. The goals of past Bight programs were to answer three primary questions:

- What are the extent and magnitude of direct impact from sediment contaminants?
- How does the extent and magnitude of the environmental impact vary by habitat?
- What is the trend in extent and magnitude of direct impacts from sediment contaminants?

Sediment quality monitoring was conducted during the summer of 2013 at a total of 22 sites in 9 estuaries and lagoons in the San Diego region, including the San Dieguito River Estuary under the Southern California Bight 2013 Regional Monitoring Survey (Bight '13) (San Diego County Municipal Copermittees, 2014c). As described in Section 4.1.1.3, sediment monitoring data from Bight '13 will be used to fulfill part or all of the sediment monitoring requirements of the MS4 Permit. During this Permit term, Responsible Agencies will participate in planning Bight '18 monitoring programs.

- ❖ Stormwater Monitoring Coalition Regional Monitoring

Since 2001, Copermittees have partnered with regulated storm water municipalities in southern California, the Regional Boards of Southern California, and the SCCWRP to form the Southern California SMC. The goals of the SMC are to standardize monitoring, improve understanding of storm water mechanics, and identify receiving water impacts from storm water (SCCWRP, 2002). According to its 2014 Research Agenda, the SMC has identified 21 projects for the next 5-year term and is in the process of prioritizing its efforts on the basis of need and available funding (SMC, 2014a). The San Dieguito River WMA Responsible Agencies will continue participation in the SMC Regional Freshwater Stream Bioassessment Monitoring Program (SMC Regional Bioassessment Program) that began as a five year program in 2008–2013 and will be implemented for another five years (2015-2019).

The 2009–2013 SMC Regional Bioassessment Program was designed to address the following monitoring questions (SMC, 2014b):

- What is the extent of impact in streams of southern California?
- What are the stressors that impact southern California streams?
- Is the extent of stream impacts changing over time?

A final monitoring report was prepared on the basis of 2009–2013 results to identify lessons learned, data gaps, and recommendations to guide the design of the 2015–2019 program. In 2015, a new five-year SMC program will extend the initial survey to answer key management questions about the impacts of storm water on stream conditions. The program will have an added emphasis on detecting trends, including non-perennial streams and sampling sediment chemistry and toxicity.

The non-perennial stream monitoring was initiated in April 2014, with site revisits in May and June 2014. Sampling included benthic macroinvertebrates (BMI), algae, physical habitat, and California Rapid Assessment Method (CRAM). The trend site monitoring was conducted during the standard index period (i.e., from mid-May through July). Sampling for trend site monitoring included all of the parameters and constituents of the original SMC Regional Bioassessment Program (San Diego County Municipal Copermittees, 2014b). The bioassessment monitoring was conducted at a total of 64 bioassessment stations; 30 stations were compliance stations; 28 stations were randomly placed SMC stations; and 6 stations were San Diego County reference stations (San Diego County Municipal Copermittees, 2014b).

❖ Hydromodification Regional Monitoring Program

Copermittees have developed a regional HMP to address impacts on beneficial uses and stream habitat from increased erosive force potentially caused by an increase in runoff discharge rates and duration from all Priority Development Projects (County of San Diego, 2011). The HMP was initially developed to meet the requirements of the 2007 MS4 Permit. The Monitoring Plan is defined in Chapter 8 of the HMP, and was updated by the San Diego County Regional Copermittees and accepted by the Regional Board in February 2014. The HMP requires monitoring with a final report due to the Regional Board in December 2016. Monitoring consists of channel sediment transport assessments, and continuous flow monitoring of pre-project, post-project, and reference conditions per MS4 Permit Provisions D.1.a and D.1.c(6). Additional monitoring is required per MS4 Permit Provision D.1.a(2).

❖ San Diego County Beach Water Quality (AB 411) Monitoring

San Diego County Department of Environmental Health (DEH) implements the Beach and Bay Water Quality Monitoring Program to support the statewide program funded by the Beach Safety Act (AB 411). This program is commonly

referred to as AB 411 monitoring. The purpose of this monitoring program is to advise the public of potential health risks that could occur with water contact recreation at local beaches. DEH will post a health advisory notice or close a beach when FIB results are above REC-1 water quality standards. There are four AB 411 beach monitoring stations in the San Dieguito River WMA. All sites are sampled a minimum of once weekly during dry weather (April 1 through October 31). The AB 411 monitoring program is not required by the MS4 Permit. Responsible Agencies are using the AB 411 data to track beach water quality conditions related to the Highest Priority Water Quality Condition for the watershed.

Sediment Quality Monitoring

Sediment quality monitoring is designed to assess compliance with receiving water limits applicable to MS4 discharges to enclosed bays and estuaries in accordance with the State Water Board's *Water Quality Control Plan for Enclosed Bays and Estuaries of California – Part I Sediment Quality* (Sediment Control Plan). Part I of the State Board's Sediment Quality Control Plan provides sediment quality objectives for enclosed bays and estuaries and does not apply to ocean waters or inland surface waters (State Board, 2009). Sediment quality monitoring will be performed in compliance with Permit Provision D.1.e(2), which requires preparation of a Sediment Quality Monitoring Plan that satisfies the requirements of the Sediment Control Plan. As described in the Sediment Control Plan, assessment of receiving water quality with respect to the California Sediment Quality Objectives (SQOs) involves use of a multiple-line-of-evidence approach. The data generated will be used to answer the following question:

- ❖ What is the condition of sediments in enclosed bays or estuaries with respect to the statewide sediment quality objectives?

The Sediment Quality Monitoring Plan and Quality Assurance Project Plan (Attachment 4A-2) describe detailed proposed monitoring procedures and analytical methods that are illustrative and may change on the basis of site environmental conditions. As indicated in Table 5-5, sediment quality monitoring of the San Dieguito Lagoon was conducted in the summers of 2013 and 2014.

The participating agencies propose to conduct one round of sediment sampling each Permit term. The second required round of sampling will be satisfied by conducting additional follow-up sampling in the vicinity of potentially impacted sites identified in the first round. Sediment quality monitoring will employ the following general approach to meet the requirements of the MS4 Permit:

- (1) Conduct initial monitoring within each qualifying waterbody per the requirements of the state's Sediment Control Plan. These data will be used to assess the degree of potential impact at each site using the California SQO multiple-line-of-evidence approach in accordance with the assessment criteria specified in Sediment Control Plan Section V. These scores are derived using multiple metrics from three key lines of evidence: (1) sediment chemistry data, (2) toxicity

data, and (3) benthic community data. Sites are then categorized as un-impacted, likely un-impacted, possibly impacted, likely impacted, or clearly impacted.

- (2) Confirm and characterize pollutant-related impacts for any sites that are considered possibly impacted, likely impacted, or clearly impacted, following an integration of all lines of evidence. In accordance with Sediment Control Plan criteria, the data assessment in this phase is required to determine whether the score(s) indicate potential impacts due to toxic pollutants (e.g., freshwater-related contaminant sources from the MS4), or non-toxic pollutants (e.g., physical habitat, freshwater inundation, legacy contaminants, or other potential factors). This phase would be considered the first phase of the stressor/source identification (SSID) investigation based on existing data. The requirements of this phase are dependent on the site characterization as follows:
 - a. Sites deemed to be possibly, likely, or clearly impacted based on initial monitoring for which the impact or impairment is determined to likely not be caused or contributed to by MS4 discharges will be monitored once more in the current Permit term. Follow-up monitoring is required to verify the findings from the first round of monitoring.
 - i. If results from the follow-up monitoring are consistent (possibly impacted), or un-impacted, no additional follow-up will be required during the current Permit term.
 - ii. If the second round of sampling reclassifies the station as likely or clearly impacted, an additional follow-up investigation may be needed or suspended pending future routine SQO monitoring. In this circumstance, results of the analytical assessments will be discussed with the Regional Board staff to determine whether/where any SSID studies should be undertaken, and to identify major elements of the approach for any identified studies. Prior to additional investigation, a site-specific Sediment Assessment Work Plan would be prepared that would outline specific steps and methodologies to be taken.
 - b. Stations deemed by the assessment to be likely or clearly impacted by MS4 discharges will require additional follow-up investigation and this is deemed the first phase of SSID. A site-specific Sediment Assessment Work Plan will be prepared that will outline specific steps and methodologies to be taken. Per the Sediment Control Plan, SSID comprises three steps: (1) confirmation and characterization of pollutant impacts, (2) pollutant identification, and (3) source identification and management actions.
- (3) In the annual Sediment Monitoring Report, describe the planned follow-up monitoring, including any planned SSID studies, and revisions to the Sediment Monitoring Plan, accordingly.

During the transitional (pre-Water Quality Improvement Plan) monitoring phase, the Bight '13 Monitoring Program satisfied the initial monitoring requirements of the state's Sediment Control Plan. As presented in Table 5-5, up to three sites were monitored in the San Dieguito Lagoon in 2013 for the initial screening of sediment quality. Follow-up monitoring was conducted in summer 2014 to further characterize one site that was possibly impacted. Based on the monitoring and assessment completed, sediment conditions in San Dieguito Lagoon are generally protective of the beneficial uses and typical of a tidally influenced shallow lagoon (San Diego County Municipal Copermittees, 2014b). No further monitoring is planned for San Dieguito Lagoon during this Permit term because there was no evidence to indicate that urban runoff from the watershed had significantly impaired the estuarine beneficial use of the receiving water (San Diego County Municipal Copermittees, 2014b). The Sediment Monitoring Report was provided in the 2014 Transitional Monitoring and Assessment Report in accordance with the permit reporting requirements.

Table 5-5
Bight '13 Sample IDs, Site Locations, Dates Sampled, and Sample Depths

Lagoon/ Estuary	# of Sites	Site ID	Sediment Sampling			Monitored Events	
			Latitude	Longitude	Depth (meters)	Date Sampled	Date Sampled
San Dieguito Lagoon	3	8179	32.9661	-117.2525	1.0	8/2/2013	8/11/2014
		8180	32.9664	-117.2579	1.0	8/2/2013	NA
		8187	32.9708	-117.2582	1.0	8/2/2013	NA

NA – Follow-up monitoring not required.

Source: Transitional Monitoring and Assessment Report Appendix H Sediment Monitoring Report (San Diego County Municipal Copermittees, 2014b).

TMDL Monitoring

TMDL provisions, schedules, and monitoring requirements are provided in Attachment E of the MS4 Permit. The purpose of TMDL monitoring programs is to track progress toward achieving compliance with interim and final numeric targets.

The Bacteria TMDL is the only applicable TMDL in the San Dieguito River WMA. Compliance monitoring is designed to meet the receiving water monitoring requirements of the Bacteria TMDL. Wet and dry weather sampling will be conducted each year at the compliance point located at the AB 411 monitoring location along the Pacific Ocean shoreline (25 yards down-current of where ocean currents meet river discharge in ankle-to-knee-deep water). The data generated will be used to address the following questions:

- ❖ Are TMDL numeric targets for bacteria indicators being met at the compliance monitoring locations?
- ❖ Are bacteria levels improving at the compliance monitoring locations?

Dry weather monitoring will be conducted weekly during the recreation season (April 1 through October 31) to be consistent with AB 411 monitoring frequencies, and monthly (at a minimum) during the wet season per the MS4 Permit requirements. Samples are to be collected on dry weather days, after an antecedent dry period of 72 hours with less than 0.1 inch of rainfall. The scope of compliance monitoring may account for the frequency and type of sampling activities of the existing Health and Safety Code Section 115880 of the AB 411 Monitoring Program to facilitate overlap of monitoring efforts and resources when feasible. Wet weather monitoring will be conducted at the monitoring locations during up to three storm events of each wet season (October 1 through April 30). Per the MS4 Permit Attachment E.6, a minimum of one storm is required to be monitored. Storms resulting in greater than 0.2 inch of precipitation will be targeted for analysis.

FIB are the target constituents for the Pacific Ocean Shoreline within the San Dieguito River WMA, as indicated by the MS4 Permit. Grab samples will be collected in a manner consistent with the requirements of the AB 411 program and analyzed for total coliform, fecal coliform, and *Enterococcus*. For details of this monitoring program, refer to Appendix N. The methods and procedures described in Appendix N may be modified on the basis of site-specific environmental conditions and updated analytical methodologies.

5.1.3 MS4 Outfall Monitoring

The purpose of the MS4 outfall monitoring program is to evaluate the potential contribution from MS4 discharges to the receiving water quality. This program is designed to meet requirements set forth in Provision D.2 of the MS4 Permit. The MS4 outfall monitoring program has both dry and wet weather monitoring components. The outfall monitoring seeks to answer the question:

- ❖ Do non-storm water or storm water discharges from the MS4 contribute to receiving water quality problems?

This program is composed of the following two components:

- ❖ Dry Weather
 - Field screening
 - MS4 outfall dry weather monitoring
- ❖ Wet Weather
 - MS4 outfall wet weather monitoring

Table 5-6 provides the number of major outfalls to be monitored under each component of the MS4 Outfall Monitoring Program by Copermittee. The number of major outfalls monitored per year as shown in Table 5-6 are subject to change on the basis of new information, updates to the Copermittee's MS4 outfall inventories, changes in transient or persistent flow classifications, and/or changes or updates to the priority water quality

conditions over the life of the Water Quality Improvement Plan. Detailed proposed monitoring methods and procedures will be presented in the MS4 Outfall Monitoring Plan (the plan will be available on the Project Clean Water website, <http://www.projectcleanwater.org/index.php>, by June 2015). These methods and procedures may be modified on the basis of site-specific environmental conditions and updated analytical methodologies.

Table 5-6
Number of Major MS4 Outfalls per Jurisdiction

Jurisdiction	Number of Major Outfalls Per Year		
	Field Screening ¹	Dry Weather Monitoring	Wet Weather Monitoring
City of Del Mar	6 (5) ^{2,3}	2	1
City of Escondido	3 (3) ²	1	1
City of Poway	12 (15) ²	2	1
City of San Diego	42 (42) ⁴	5	1
City of Solana Beach	3 (3) ²	0 ⁵	1
County of San Diego	16 (20) ²	3	1

1. Total number of major outfalls within each jurisdiction in the WMA is provided in parentheses.
2. For Copermittees with fewer than 125 major outfalls in the WMA, 80% of major outfalls must be screened twice per year.
3. The City of Del Mar has identified five major outfalls and will also screen an additional non-major outfall.
4. For Copermittees with portions of their jurisdictions in more than one WMA and more than 500 major MS4 outfalls in its jurisdiction, at least 500 major outfalls must be inspected once per year.
5. All persistently flowing outfalls have been diverted to the sanitary sewer.

MS4 Outfall Dry Weather Monitoring

The purpose of the MS4 Outfall Dry Weather Monitoring Program is to evaluate the potential contribution from MS4 discharges to the receiving water quality during dry conditions and to assess the ability of programs to effectively eliminate non-storm water discharges to waterbodies or waterways. Each Copermittee has established a number of major MS4 outfalls that are prioritized on the basis of non-storm water flow status and threat to receiving water quality, and these outfalls will be screened once or twice annually on the basis of this prioritization. Additionally, the highest priority major MS4 outfalls have been selected for further water quality testing to facilitate source investigations of these outfalls with persistent dry weather flows.

Dry Weather Field Screening

Field screening is visual monitoring of all MS4 outfalls to identify and eliminate sources of persistently flowing non-storm water discharges. Dry weather MS4 outfall discharge field screening is designed to answer the following questions:

- ❖ Which non-storm water discharges are transient and which are persistent?
- ❖ Which discharges should be investigated as potential illicit connection/illicit discharges?

The frequency of field screening is determined on a jurisdictional basis and is dependent on the number of major outfalls. Provision D.2.b(1) of the MS4 Permit outlines three categories as the basis for frequency, as described below:

- ❖ 0-125 major outfalls, 80% of major outfalls 2 times per year
- ❖ 125-500 major outfalls, all major outfalls 1 time per year
- ❖ 500+ major outfalls, at least 500 major outfalls 1 time per year

Field screening activities will be conducted during dry weather with an antecedent dry period of at least 72 hours with less than 0.1 inch of rainfall. Field observations will include flow condition (pooled, ponded, flowing, or no flow), estimate of flow, characteristics of flow and water, likely source(s), presence of trash, or evidence or signs of illicit connections or illegal dumping. Follow-up investigations will be employed on the basis of jurisdictional illicit connection and/or illicit discharge (IC/ID) programs.

Prioritization of Non-Storm Water Persistently Flowing Outfalls

Each jurisdiction ranked its major outfalls independently on the basis of their highest priority conditions, PGAs, and specific site considerations. Copermitees considered the following factors to prioritize persistently flowing outfalls:

- ❖ Potential to contribute to a highest or priority water quality condition
- ❖ Historical monitoring or inspection data
- ❖ Controllability
- ❖ Surrounding land uses/potential sources
- ❖ Flow rate

Highest Priority MS4 Outfall Dry Weather Monitoring

The purpose of this program is to determine which major persistent-flow MS4 outfalls impact receiving water quality during dry weather. MS4 outfall dry weather monitoring is designed to answer the following questions:

- ❖ Do dry weather discharge concentrations at MS4 outfalls meet MS4 Permit action levels?

- ❖ What is the relative contribution of MS4 outfalls to priority water quality conditions during dry weather?
- ❖ What are the sources of persistent non-storm water flows?

Responsible Agencies will monitor a minimum of five major MS4 outfalls during dry weather (if a Responsible Agency has fewer than five major MS4 outfalls, then all of them will be monitored). Each outfall will be monitored semi-annually during dry weather conditions. During each event, field observations will be recorded, and when measureable flow is present, in-situ field measurements and analytical data will be collected. Analytical constituents will include constituents contributing to the highest priority conditions, 303(d) list impairments, TMDLs, NALs, and Table D-7 of the MS4 Permit as described in the MS4 Outfall Monitoring Plan (the Plan will be available on the Project Clean Water Website, <http://www.projectcleanwater.org/index.php>, by June 2015). When historical data demonstrated or justified that analysis of a constituent is not necessary for a particular waterbody or outfall, then it has been removed and its removal notated in the analytical table provided in the Water Quality Improvement Plan Annual Report. The methods and procedures described in the MS4 Outfall Monitoring Plan may be modified on the basis of site-specific environmental conditions and updated analytical methodologies.

Based on the data collected at the MS4 outfalls per jurisdiction as shown in Table 5-6, monitoring at these outfalls may be reprioritized to eliminate monitoring entirely or to reduce it to field screening activities only to address higher priority non-storm water persistent flows. Reprioritization of outfalls may occur if one of the following conditions is met:

- ❖ Non-storm water discharges have been effectively eliminated for three consecutive monitoring events; or
- ❖ Source(s) of the persistent flows have been identified as not an illicit or a source of pollutants; or
- ❖ Pollutants in the persistent flow do not exceed NALs; or
- ❖ The threat to water quality has been reduced by the Participating Agency.

MS4 Outfall Wet Weather Monitoring

The purpose of this program is to identify pollutants in storm water discharges from the MS4s, guide pollutant source identification efforts, and track progress in achieving the goals set forth in Section 4. The Responsible Agencies' six monitoring locations for the wet weather MS4 outfall discharge monitoring component were chosen to be representative of the residential, commercial, industrial, and mixed-use land uses within the San Dieguito River WMA. These six locations will be monitored during one storm event annually. The wet weather MS4 outfall discharge monitoring is designed to answer the following questions:

- ❖ Do wet weather discharge concentrations at MS4 outfalls meet MS4 Permit action levels?
- ❖ What is the relative contribution of MS4 outfalls to priority water quality conditions during wet weather?
- ❖ How do representative MS4 outfalls discharge concentrations, loads, and flows change over time?

The MS4 Permit (Provision D.2.c) requires that a minimum of five outfalls will be monitored once per year within the WMA, during a storm event with greater than 0.1 inch of rainfall. During each event, observational and hydrologic data will be recorded, including duration of the storm, rainfall estimates, and estimated or measured flow rates and volumes. Grab samples will be collected to analyze for pH, temperature, specific conductivity, dissolved oxygen, turbidity, hardness, and indicator bacteria. When feasible, a composite sample must be collected and analyzed for constituents contributing to the highest priority conditions, 303(d) list impairments, TMDLs, and SALs, as described in the MS4 Outfall Monitoring Plan (the Plan will be available on the Project Clean Water Website, <http://www.projectcleanwater.org/index.php>, by June 2015). The methods and procedures described in the MS4 Outfall Monitoring Plan may be modified on the basis of site-specific environmental conditions and updated analytical methodologies. If historical data demonstrate or justify that analysis of a constituent is not necessary for a particular waterbody or outfall, then it will be removed and its removal noted in the Water Quality Improvement Plan Annual Report.

The 2013 Transitional Monitoring Programs began implementation of the wet weather MS4 outfall monitoring requirements at the six San Dieguito River WMA outfall monitoring locations.

5.1.4 Special Studies

Special studies have been selected to further investigate the highest priority water quality conditions set forth in Section 2 and to meet requirements of MS4 Permit Provision D.3. The special studies will include a regional special study and a special study specific to the San Dieguito River WMA.

San Diego Regional Reference Streams and Beaches Studies

The regional special studies selected for the San Dieguito River WMA are the San Diego Regional Reference Streams and Beaches Studies currently being conducted by the San Diego and Orange County Copermittees. The studies will develop numeric targets that account for “natural sources” to establish the concentrations or loads from streams in a minimally disturbed by anthropogenic activities or “reference” condition. The Reference Stream Study also collected nutrients, metals, and toxicity data as secondary constituents, with a goal of collecting the data necessary to derive reasonable and accurate numeric targets for bacteria, nutrients, and heavy metals on the basis of a reference approach. This study will provide a scientific basis for evaluating bacteria compliance levels in the Bacteria TMDL. The results of this study will be used to support the forthcoming reopener of the recently adopted Bacteria TMDL and to support numeric targets in future TMDLs for bacteria, nutrients, and metals.

The San Diego Regional Stream Reference Study will address the following questions (SCCWRP, 2013):

- ❖ How does the WQO exceedance frequency vary between summer dry weather, winter dry weather, and wet weather?
- ❖ How does the WQO exceedance frequency vary by hydrologic factors, including:
 - Size of storm (wet weather only)?
 - Discharge flow rate and volume (wet and dry weather)?
 - Beginning versus end of storm season (wet weather only)?
- ❖ How does the WQO exceedance frequency vary by input factors such as:
 - Size of catchment?
 - Geology?
- ❖ How does the WQO exceedance frequency vary by biotic and abiotic factors, including:
 - Algal cover and/or biofilms?
 - Water quality (temperature, pH, conductivity, dissolved oxygen, total suspended solids concentration)?

The San Diego Regional Reference Beaches Study will address the following questions (SCCWRP, 2013) in beaches minimally influenced by anthropogenic activities:

- ❖ How does the WQO exceedance frequency vary between summer dry weather, winter dry weather, and wet weather?
- ❖ How does the WQO exceedance frequency vary by hydrologic factors, including:

- Discharge flow rate (wet and dry weather)
- Status of estuary mouth (open/closed; dry weather only)
- ❖ What are the wet and dry weather exceedance frequencies of fecal indicator bacteria in estuaries?

For the stream study, a total of 6 locations were selected for wet weather monitoring and up to 10 locations were selected for dry weather monitoring. Sites were selected to represent 95 percent undeveloped land uses (reference conditions), two major geologic settings, and the target catchment sizes. Wet weather sampling frequency at the six locations consists of three targeted events throughout the wet season (October 1 through April 31). Dry weather sampling frequency consists of weekly sampling for up to 40 weeks at flowing locations during winter and summer dry weather periods. Dry weather sampling occurs if there has been no measurable rainfall for at least 72 hours.

Water samples will be analyzed for a combination of conventional constituents, nutrients, metals, fecal indicator bacteria, microbial source testing, and algae. Of these constituents, *Enterococcus*, *E. coli*, fecal coliform, total coliform, Bacteroides, and *in-situ* parameters are of primary importance; all other analytes are considered secondary. During dry weather sampling, reference stream sites will be assessed for algal percent cover, algal biomass, ash-free biomass, and factors that control the growth of algae (stream bankfull dimensions, canopy cover, and pebble count). Flow discharge rates were estimated for seven reference streams using recorded continuous water level data during both wet and dry weather conditions and measured velocity and flow during sampled wet weather events.

San Dieguito River WMA Bacteria Source Identification and Prioritization Process

The special study specific to the San Dieguito River WMA will assess sources of bacteria in the watershed using the San Diego Bacteria Source Identification and Prioritization Process developed in 2012 as part of the MS4 Permit Report of Waste Discharge process (the Plan will be available on Project Clean Water Website, <http://www.projectcleanwater.org/index.php>, by June 2015). The study will focus on the beach and lagoon area of the San Dieguito River WMA, with inputs from the upper watershed also considered where relevant and necessary to identify sources of bacteria to the beach and lagoon.

The goal of the study will be to determine the relative magnitude of bacteria in discharges, the geographical character and distribution of sources (i.e., regional or localized), frequency of occurrence in discharges, and human health risk based on readily available data. The San Dieguito Source Identification and Prioritization Process is designed to answer the question:

- ❖ What are the specific sources of bacteria impacting the San Dieguito River at the Pacific Ocean Shoreline?

The study will consist of desktop GIS analysis along with Responsible Agency interviews to determine bacteria sources impacting the San Dieguito River at the Pacific Shoreline.

5.1.5 Other Special Studies

Responsible Agencies have planned projects and studies to fill data gaps, further investigate priority and highest priority water quality conditions, or evaluate MS4 discharges and potential impacts. These projects exceed the monitoring requirements of the MS4 Permit. These studies will be implemented on the basis of available resources.

Proposed Nutrient Load Characterization for Lake Hodges

The impairment of municipal beneficial uses in Lake Hodges due to eutrophic conditions in dry weather is a priority water quality condition in the San Dieguito River Above Lake Hodges subwatershed. The City of San Diego's Public Utilities Department is planning to begin prospective studies that can characterize the nutrient budget or "loading rate" to Lake Hodges and identify the sources of those loads. Specifically, the (1) quantity of total nutrient loads and (2) concentrations of nutrients in various surface flows to the reservoir cannot be derived from current data sources. Additional technical studies and monitoring needed to ensure proper characterization of nutrient loads to Lake Hodges are suited to a phased approach, as follows:

- (1) ***Quantification of Surface Water Entering Lake Hodges*** – The first step to determine a loading rate to the reservoir is gaining a better understanding of the nature of the independent volume contributions of tributary streams into Lake Hodges. Total volume in the reservoir and evapotranspiration losses can be easily accounted for using models, historical reservoir levels data, and climatology data for the watershed. However, before determining contributions of tributary nutrient loads, more contiguous data for independent tributary streams are needed.

The City of San Diego's PUD has 10 established monitoring locations in tributary streams and creeks above Lake Hodges in addition to three in-reservoir monitoring locations to collect samples and in-situ hydrologic data. These locations are sampled consistently, typically on a monthly basis. During periods of little or no flow, some tributaries have measureable flows quantified or recorded as zero during monthly measurements. These zero measurements are

likely not reflecting smaller storm events. Additionally, some creeks and rivers are co-located and fed by urbanized areas that may have dry weather contributions, while others are not. More focused and comprehensive monitoring efforts are necessary to properly illustrate the hydrologic contributions and nature of flow originating from tributary streams and creeks including:

Sampling during Storm Events or High Water Flow to Lake Hodges –

Currently, samples are obtained on a regular monthly schedule. Special monitoring efforts to coincide with storm events are necessary as a first step toward a characterization of “first-flush” episodes and sustained surface water inflows to the reservoir. The flow data from the wet weather monitoring event can be distinguished from dry weather-based flows. The storm flows would help to gain a better understanding of municipal storm water impacts versus rural land impacts.

- (2) ***Nutrient Loading to Reservoir and Potential Source Identification*** – The second component to establishing a nutrient loading rate or budget for Lake Hodges is assessing the concentration of nutrients in reservoir inflows. This would require a more precise and frequent monitoring program beyond what PUD is currently invested in.

More Precise Measurement of Nutrient Concentrations – The nutrient sampling and analysis undertaken by PUD has been adapted to the needs of monitoring for source water protection and rapid assessment of water treatability. A more robust data set paired with a more precise laboratory analysis would be of value to assess contributions for tributary sources. This would require employing laboratory methods with lower detection limits for several nutrient parameters.

Independent Characterizations of Nitrogen and Phosphorus Loads to the Reservoir – Imbalances in total nitrogen and phosphorus ratios can generally be correlated with poor water quality or eutrophic conditions in reservoirs. On the other hand, not all speciations of phosphorus or nitrogen are bioavailable for the primary production in the reservoir. With primary production being the driver for eutrophic conditions (i.e., not all phosphorus or nitrogen is detrimental to water quality), gaining a more thorough understanding of the typical nutrient composition in the source water inputs would allow better characterization of the sources of nutrients. This would help in developing calculations of a nutrient budget and the capacity of the reservoir to assimilate outside nutrient loads. This characterization could include a more comprehensive assessment of seasonal variations of nutrient ratios and correlations with the intensity of primary production and algal blooms.

The City of San Diego’s PUD has the technical expertise, facilities, and laboratory equipment to undertake these special studies, but would need to expend considerable additional staff resources to perform the focused sampling and lab analysis needed for a complete nutrient budget for Lake Hodges.

Stream Gauge Study

Many waterbodies in the San Diego region have not been subject to regular flow monitoring. Knowledge of water level is essential for programs, including TMDL implementation, bio-objectives, and bioassessment. The stream gauge study attempts to fill in some of the gaps in the information regarding the level of flow at three stream locations in San Dieguito River WMA. Monitoring will answer the questions:

- ❖ What is the level of flow in local streams?
- ❖ Which streams are perennial and which are ephemeral?

The study, which began in spring of 2014 and will continue until spring 2015, includes installation of datalogger units. Three dataloggers will gather water level, temperature, and location-dependent conductivity data at 5-minute intervals.

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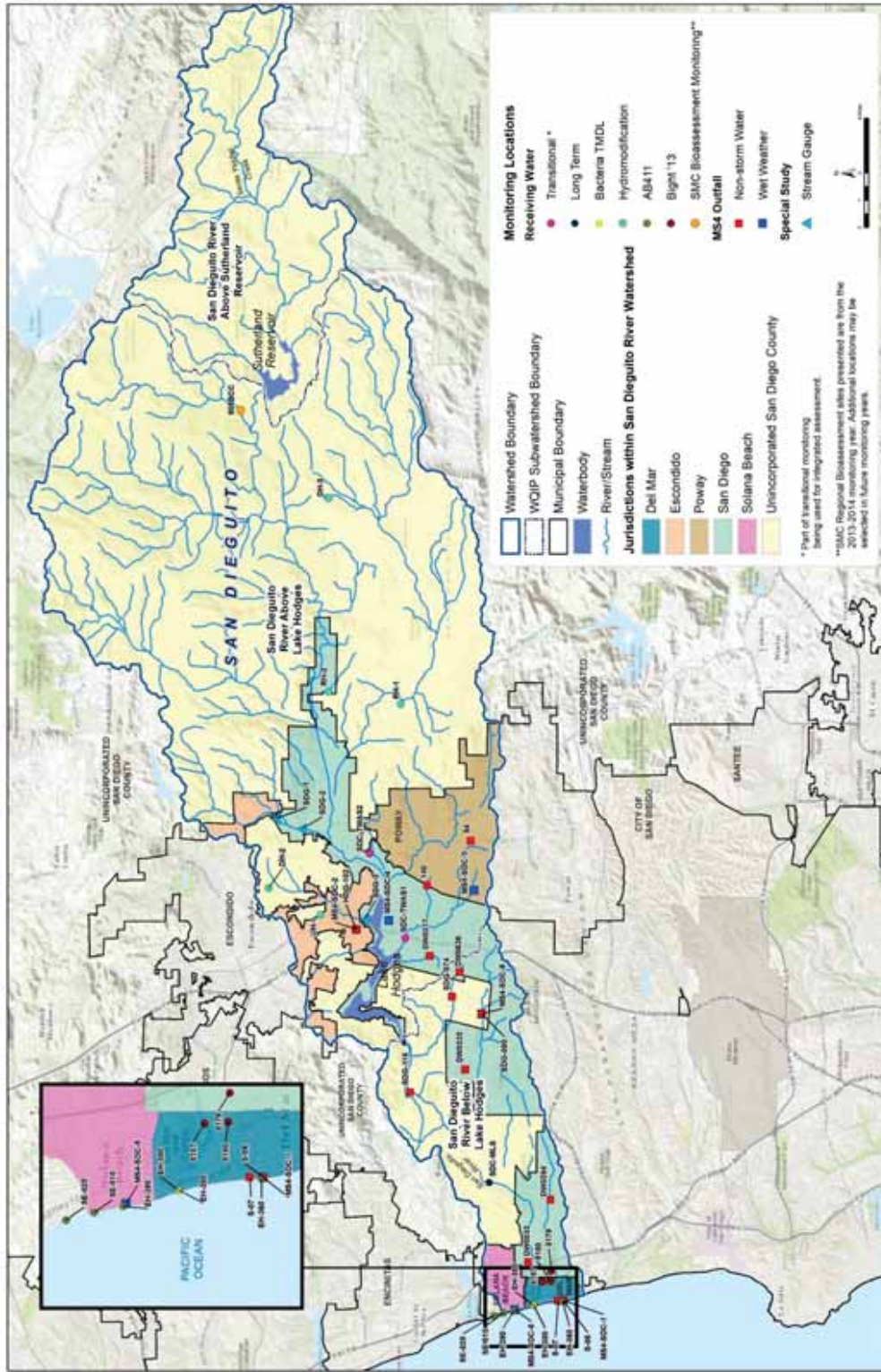


Figure 5-2
 MAP Monitoring Locations for the
 San Diego River WMA

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5.1.6 Remaining Data Gaps

The data gaps discussed in Section 2 were compared with each of the monitoring program components described in the previous subsections. Most of the data gaps will be addressed by the Monitoring and Assessment Program. The long-term monitoring locations include a larger suite of pollutants than previously monitored on the basis of the new MS4 Permit requirements and provide more detail on hydromodification. In addition, because the MS4 outfall monitoring locations for dry and wet weather are prioritized on the basis of the priority water quality conditions identified in Section 2, over time there will be more MS4 data near the waterbodies included in the priority water quality conditions. It is expected to take a few years of monitoring to potentially assess the MS4 contribution to the priority water quality conditions because of the typical high variability of constituent concentrations in storm water. MS4 monitoring locations may also need to change because it is unlikely that MS4 locations will be monitored near each priority water quality condition during one monitoring season.

Some data gaps can be filled by the Responsible Agencies by working collaboratively with other agencies to get access to the data that they collect. For example, local water agencies collect data on color in Lake Hodges. The Responsible Agencies can work with these water agencies to use their data to characterize this specific priority water quality condition.

There are some data gaps that remain because the present state of science does not allow for the full characterization of the cause of the priority water quality condition. The impairment caused by nutrients is impacted by the physical and biological conditions of the receiving water. The link between these factors and the concentration of nutrients in the priority water quality condition waterbodies will not be determined as part of this iteration of the Monitoring and Assessment Program. Similarly, for receiving waters impaired by toxicity, factors other than runoff from the MS4 contribute to toxicity levels. The Monitoring and Assessment Program currently does not include analyses of Non-MS4 contributions to toxicity in receiving waters. Additionally, for pollutants such as TDS and nutrients, groundwater may be a contributing source as noted throughout the San Diego Region (City of San Diego, 2011).

5.1.7 Regional Clearinghouse

The Responsible Agencies will use existing data-sharing templates to facilitate compilation of watershed-wide data sets for assessment and reporting purposes. To support reporting under previous Permit cycles, regional data-sharing templates were developed for receiving water monitoring, MS4 outfall monitoring, field screening, and IC/ID reporting. The Responsible Agencies will make the following data and documentation available to the public on the Project Clean Water website:

- ❖ San Dieguito River WMA Water Quality Improvement Plan and all updated versions with date of update

- ❖ Annual Reports for the WMA
- ❖ JRMP documents for each Responsible Agency within the WMA and all updated versions with date of update
- ❖ BMP Design Manual for each Responsible Agency within the WMA and all updated versions with date of update
- ❖ Reports from special studies conducted in the WMA
- ❖ Monitoring data uploaded to the California Environmental Data Exchange Network (CEDEN) with links to the uploaded data
- ❖ Available GIS data, layers, and/or shape files used to develop the maps to support the Water Quality Improvement Plan, Annual Reports, and Jurisdictional Runoff Management Programs

Project Clean Water is a web-based portal for San Diego County watersheds. It is used as a centralized point of access to share educational materials, water quality information, and MS4 Permit-required reports with the public.

www.projectcleanwater.org

5.2 Water Quality Improvement Plan Assessment Program

The assessment portion of the Monitoring and Assessment Program will evaluate the data collected under the monitoring programs described in Section 5.1, as well as the information collected as part of the JRMPs. The data collected from these two programs will be used to assess the progress toward achieving the Water Quality Improvement Plan numeric goals and schedules and to measure the progress toward addressing the highest priority water quality conditions.

This section summarizes the requirements of the four primary assessments listed in Figure 5-1. Depending on permit requirements, some assessments will be reported annually, as part of the Water Quality Improvement Plan Annual Report, while others will be included in the Report of Waste Discharge that the Copermitees must submit 180 days prior to the end of this MS4 Permit. The timeframe for each of the assessments is as follows:

- ❖ Annual Reporting
 - Receiving Water Assessment
 - MS4 Outfall Discharge Assessment
 - Special Studies Assessment
- ❖ MS4 Permit Reporting (Report of Waste Discharge at end of MS4 Permit Cycle)
 - Integrated Assessment

The Monitoring and Assessment Program will be evaluated and adapted in the context of the Annual Reporting and the Report of Waste Discharge. The re-evaluation will

consider data gaps and the results of all monitoring program elements. Required elements of the Water Quality Improvement Plan Annual Report are provided in Table 5-7.

Modifications may be made to the Monitoring and Assessment Program, but the core elements required by the MS4 Permit and described in Section 5.1 must be maintained. This limits the amount of adaptation that is possible. Potential changes could be to change the frequency of sampling, add a new analyte of concern, or move a monitoring location.

Table 5-7
Annual Reporting Components

Assessment and Documentation	Detailed Data and Information
Summary of data collected, findings, interpretations, and conclusions from the assessments required per Permit Provisions F.3.b(3)(a)-(c)	❖ Receiving Water Assessments per Provision D.4.a. ❖ Sediment Quality Assessments per Provision D.1.e(2) ❖ TMDL Assessments per Provision E.6 ❖ MS4 Outfall Discharger Assessments D.4.b ❖ IDDE relevant information and findings per Provision E.2 ❖ Special studies: findings and progress per Provision D.4.c ❖ Re-evaluation of the priority water quality conditions, numeric goals, strategies, schedules, and/or monitoring and assessment, as needed per Provision D.4.d¹
Progress of implementing the Water Quality Improvement Plan per Provision F.3.b(3)(d)	❖ Progress toward interim and final numeric goals for the highest priority water quality conditions for the WMA ❖ Status of water quality improvement strategies by each Responsible Agency ❖ Proposed modifications to water quality improvement strategies and supporting rationale ❖ Water quality improvement strategies planned for implementation during the next reporting period

Table 5-7 (continued)
Annual Reporting Components

Assessment and Documentation	Detailed Data and Information
Progress of implementing the Water Quality Improvement Plan per Provision F.3.b(3)(d) (continued)	❖ Proposed modifications to Water Quality Improvement Plan and/or each Copermittee's jurisdictional runoff management program document ❖ Previous modifications or updates incorporated into the Water Quality Improvement Plan and/or each Copermittee's jurisdictional runoff management program document
A completed Jurisdictional Runoff Management Program Annual Report Form for each Copermittee in the WMA, certified by a Principal Executive Officer, Ranking Elected Official, or Duly Authorized Representative per Provision F.3.b(3)(e)	❖ City of Del Mar ❖ City of Escondido ❖ City of Poway ❖ City of Solana Beach ❖ City of San Diego ❖ County of San Diego
Any data or documentation utilized in developing the Water Quality Improvement Plan Annual Report for each Responsible Agency, upon request by the Regional Board. Monitoring data must be uploaded to CEDEN and available for access on the Regional Clearinghouse per Provision F.3.b(3)(f)	❖ Receiving water and data collected per Provision D. 1 ❖ MS4 outfall discharge monitoring data collected per Provision D.2 ❖ Special Study data ❖ IC/ID investigation data

1. This re-evaluation is not required annually; at minimum, it must be completed as part of the Report of Waste Discharge.

5.2.1 Integrated Assessment

The integrated assessment builds on the receiving water assessment, MS4 outfall discharge assessment, and special studies assessment described in Sections 5.2.2 through 5.2.4. Additionally, the integrated assessment will evaluate the data collected as part of the transitional monitoring program implemented after the approval of the 2013 MS4 Permit and before the implementation of the monitoring program detailed in Section 5.1. Transitional monitoring components from the 2007 MS4 Permit consisted of:

- ❖ Continuation of the receiving water monitoring programs performed under the previous MS4 Permits (including monitoring at the two temporary watershed assessment stations (TWAS) on Green Valley Creek and San Pasqual Creek)

- ❖ Continuation of the Hydromodification Management Plans monitoring program
- ❖ Continued participation in regional receiving water monitoring programs
- ❖ Continuation of the dry weather MS4 outfall field screening program
- ❖ Continuation of wet weather MS4 outfall discharge monitoring

The Responsible Agencies will integrate the data collected as part of the Monitoring and Assessment Program, along with information collected during the implementation of the JRMP. The integrated assessment will evaluate the main components of the Water Quality Improvement Plan and will follow the assessment process outlined in the MS4 Permit, as summarized in Table 5-8. The priority water quality conditions will be re-evaluated using the receiving water and MS4 outfall discharge assessments on the basis of the methodology presented in Appendix A. The compliance pathways that comprise the goals and schedules in Section 4 will be reviewed on the basis of the results of the receiving water and MS4 outfall discharge assessments, along with data collected as part of the JRMPs. This evaluation will characterize the progress in achieving the compliance goals. Finally, both water quality monitoring data and maintenance/observational data related to BMP effectiveness will be used to assess the strategies implemented by the Responsible Agencies. Table 5-8 summarizes the assessment program components.

Table 5-8
Integrated Assessment Components

Water Quality Improvement Plan Components	MS4 Permit Assessment Methodology	Evaluation Assessment
Priority Water Quality Conditions	<u>Re-assess receiving water, priority, and highest priority conditions.</u> (1) Re-evaluate the receiving water conditions per methodology and any new methodology provided in Appendix A. (2) Re-evaluate the impacts of MS4 discharges on receiving waters per methodology provided in Appendix A	❖ Receiving Water Assessments ❖ MS4 Outfall Discharge Assessments

Table 5-8 (continued)
Integrated Assessment Components

Water Quality Improvement Plan Components	MS4 Permit Assessment Methodology	Evaluation Assessment
Priority Water Quality Conditions (continued)	(3) Identify beneficial uses in receiving waters that must be protected per Receiving Water Assessment (Section 5.2.2). <u>Re-evaluate MS4 sources and stressors based on potentially new priority and highest priority conditions.</u> (4) Re-evaluate the identification of MS4 sources and/or stressors performed in Section 3.	❖ Receiving Water Assessments ❖ MS4 Outfall Discharge Assessments
Goals and Schedules (Compliance Pathways)	<u>Evaluate effectiveness of goals.</u> (1) Evaluate the progress toward achieving interim and final numeric goals for protecting impacted beneficial uses in receiving waters.	❖ Receiving Water Assessments ❖ MS4 Outfall Discharge Assessments ❖ JRMP Assessments
Strategies	<u>Evaluate effectiveness of strategies and actions.</u> (1) Identify the non-storm water and storm water pollutant loads from the MS4 outfalls based on the MS4 Outfall Discharge Assessment (Section 5.2.3).	❖ MS4 Outfall Discharge Assessments

Table 5-8 (continued)
Integrated Assessment Components

Water Quality Improvement Plan Components	MS4 Permit Assessment Methodology	Evaluation Assessment
Strategies (continued)	(2) Identify the non-storm water and storm water pollutant load reductions, or other improvements that are necessary to attain the interim and final numeric goals. (3) Identify the non-storm water and storm water pollutant load reductions, or other improvements, that are necessary to demonstrate that non-storm water and storm water discharges are not causing or contributing to exceedances of receiving water limitations. (4) Evaluate the progress of the strategies toward achieving interim and final numeric goals for protecting beneficial uses in receiving waters.	❖ Special Studies Assessments for BMP Effectiveness ❖ JRMP Assessments

The integrated assessment for all three Water Quality Improvement Plan components will be performed during the development of the Report of Waste Discharge. Strategies will be evaluated in the Water Quality Improvement Plan Annual Report on the basis of the data collected as part of the JRMPs and any new relevant BMP effectiveness data collected by the Responsible Agencies.

Of particular interest for the integrated assessment to be performed during this MS4 permit cycle is a review of the performance-based goals presented in Section 4. These goals will be reviewed during the development the Report of Waste Discharge. Section 6.3.2 summarizes the jurisdictional goals put forth by each Responsible Agency and the measures that will be used to assess the goals.

5.2.2 Receiving Water Assessments

The assessment of receiving waters involves evaluating the physical, chemical, and biological conditions of the receiving waters and sediments. The Responsible Agencies must assess the status and trends of receiving water quality conditions in coastal waters, estuaries, and streams in the San Dieguito River WMA. This assessment includes evaluation of both dry weather and wet weather conditions. The receiving water assessment may be presented in the Water Quality Improvement Plan Annual Report or will be in the Report of Waste Discharge and will:

- ❖ Assess whether or not the conditions of the receiving waters are meeting the numeric goals established in Section 4.
- ❖ Identify the most critical beneficial uses that must be protected to ensure the overall health of the receiving water.
- ❖ Evaluate whether or not those critical beneficial uses are being protected.
- ❖ Identify short-term and/or long-term improvements or degradation of those critical beneficial uses.
- ❖ Consider whether or not the strategies established in the Water Quality Improvement Plan contribute toward progress in achieving the interim and final numeric goals of the Water Quality Improvement Plan.
- ❖ Identify data gaps in the monitoring data needed to assess the provisions above.

5.2.3 MS4 Outfall Discharge Assessments

The MS4 outfall discharge assessments include evaluating both the dry weather monitoring data associated with the IDDE program collected as part of the JURMP program and the wet weather monitoring data collected by the Responsible Agencies. Details of these two separate assessments are provided below. Each Responsible Agency will assess its dry weather MS4 monitoring programs individually and compile results annually as part of the San Dieguito River WMA Water Quality Improvement Plan Annual Report. The key elements of the MS4 Outfall Discharge Assessments are summarized in Table 5-9.

Table 5-9
Key Elements of the MS4 Discharge Assessments

Dry Weather Outfall Assessment	Illicit Discharge	Wet Weather Outfall Assessment
❖ Identify sources of non-storm water discharges on the basis of field screening data or IDDE activities ❖ Rank and prioritize non-storm water discharges ❖ Identify sources contributing to numeric action limit exceedances ❖ Estimate volumes and loads of non-storm water discharges ❖ Evaluate non-storm water discharge monitoring locations ❖ Evaluate the effectiveness of the water quality improvement strategies	❖ All IC/ID investigations ❖ IC/IDs eliminated within the jurisdiction	❖ Estimate volumes and loads of storm water discharges ❖ Evaluate temporal trends ❖ Evaluate storm water discharge monitoring locations and frequency ❖ Evaluate Water Quality Improvement Plan analysis ❖ Evaluate the effectiveness of water quality improvement strategies

Dry Weather MS4 Outfall Assessments

Each Responsible Agency must assess and report the progress of its IDDE program (required pursuant to MS4 Permit Provision E.2) toward effectively prohibiting non-storm water and illicit discharges into the MS4s within its jurisdiction, including the following elements:

❖ **Identify sources of non-storm water discharges.**

Based on the dry weather MS4 outfall discharge field screening monitoring described in Appendix N, each Responsible Agency must assess and report as follows (Provision D.4.b(1)(b)):

- Identify the known and suspected controllable sources (e.g., facilities, areas, land uses, and pollutant generating activities) of transient and persistent flows within the Responsible Agency's jurisdiction in the San Dieguito River WMA.

- Identify sources of transient and persistent flows within the Responsible Agency's jurisdiction in the San Dieguito River WMA that have been reduced or eliminated.
- Identify modifications of the field screening monitoring locations and frequencies for the MS4 outfalls in Responsible Agency's inventory necessary to identify and eliminate sources of persistent flow non-storm water discharges (Provision D.2.b).

The JRMP Annual Report will be used to guide this assessment in the Water Quality Improvement Plan Annual Report. Known and suspected sources will be identified during the implementation of JRMP activities. These activities include the facility inspections that complement the IDDE program and information gathered by the storm water hotline or other public complaints. The JRMP Annual Report now consists of a two-page form that summarizes the JRMP activities in Attachment D of the MS4 Permit, along with supporting information. Section IV of the JRMP Annual Report Form summarizes the findings of the IDDE Program. The back-up that may be provided along with the form may include the following information to help identify sources:

- Subwatershed of the source or complaint
- Potential receiving water of the source or complaint
- Potential pollutant or pollutant category that could be contributed by the source or complaint

Those Copermittees that do not provide this optional back-up will make this information available for collaborative watershed assessments.

❖ **Rank and prioritize non-storm water discharges.**

Based on the data collected (Section 2) and applicable numeric non-storm water action levels in the MS4 Outfall Monitoring Plan. The Responsible Agencies must rank the persistently flowing major outfalls in their jurisdictions according to the potential threat to receiving water quality and produce a prioritized list of major MS4 outfalls. The Water Quality Improvement Plan will be updated as described in Section 6 on the basis of these findings and with the goal of implementing (in the order of the ranked priority list) targeted programmatic actions and source investigations to eliminate persistent non-storm water discharges and/or pollutant loads.

❖ **Identify sources contributing to numeric action limit exceedances.**

For the highest priority major MS4 outfalls with persistent flows that exceed NALs (Provision C.1), each Responsible Agency must identify the known and suspected sources within its jurisdiction in the San Dieguito River WMA that may cause or contribute to the numeric action limit exceedances.

❖ **Estimate volumes and loads of non-storm water discharges.**

Annually, each Responsible Agency must (1) analyze the data collected as part of the Non-Storm Water Persistent Flow MS4 Outfall Discharge Monitoring Program from the highest priority major MS4 outfalls and (2) use a model or another method to calculate or estimate the non-storm water volumes and pollutant loads collectively discharged from all the major MS4s outfalls in its jurisdiction that have persistent dry weather flows during the monitoring year. These calculations or estimates must include:

- The percent contribution from each known source for each MS4 outfall
- The annual non-storm water volumes and pollutant loads collectively discharged from the Responsible Agency's major MS4 outfalls to receiving waters within the Responsible Agency's jurisdiction
- The annual volumes and pollutant loads for sources of non-storm water not subject to the Responsible Agency's legal authority that are discharged from the Responsible Agency's major MS4 outfalls to downstream receiving waters

❖ **Evaluate non-storm water discharge monitoring locations.**

Based on an evaluation of the data collected from the highest priority non-storm water persistent flow MS4 outfall monitoring locations, the outfall monitoring locations may be reviewed and the list reprioritized according to one or more of the following criteria (Provision D.2.b(2)(b)(ii)):

- The non-storm water discharges have been effectively eliminated (i.e., there is no flowing, pooled, or ponded water) for three consecutive dry weather monitoring events
- The sources of the persistent flows have been identified as a category of non-storm water discharges that do not require an NPDES permit and do not have to be addressed as an illicit discharge because they were not identified as sources of pollutants (i.e., the constituents in the non-storm water discharge do not exceed numeric action level) and the persistent flow can be reprioritized to a lower priority
- The constituents in the persistent flow non-storm water discharge do not exceed NALs (Provision C.1)
- The source(s) of the persistent flows has (have) been identified as a non-storm water discharge authorized by a separate NPDES permit

Where these criteria have not been met but the threat to water quality has been reduced by the Responsible Agency, the highest priority persistent flow MS4 outfall monitoring stations may be reprioritized accordingly for continued dry weather MS4 outfall discharge field screening monitoring as part of the Dry Weather MS4 Outfall Discharge Field Screening Program.

Each Responsible Agency must document removal or reprioritization of the highest priority persistent flow MS4 outfall monitoring stations identified under the Non-Storm Water Persistent Flow MS4 Outfall Discharge Monitoring Program in the Water Quality Improvement Plan Annual Report. When a Copermittee removes a persistent flow MS4 outfall monitoring station, it will be replaced with the next highest prioritized major MS4 outfall designated by that jurisdiction in the San Dieguito River WMA. If there are no remaining qualifying major MS4 outfalls within its jurisdiction, the number of major MS4 outfalls monitored will be reduced.

❖ **Evaluate the effectiveness of the water quality improvement strategies.**

As part of the Report of Waste Discharge, each Responsible Agency will review the data collected as part of the Dry Weather MS4 Outfall Discharge Monitoring Program and findings from annual dry weather MS4 discharge monitoring assessments described above (Provisions D.4.b(1)(c)(v)[a]-[c] and Provision D.4.b(1)(c)(vi)). The evaluation will incorporate the following:

- Identification of reductions and progress in achieving reductions in non-storm water and illicit discharges to the Responsible Agency's MS4s in the San Dieguito River WMA
- Assessment of the effectiveness of the water quality improvement strategies being implemented by the Responsible Agencies within their jurisdictions in the San Dieguito River WMA toward reducing or eliminating non-storm water and pollutant loads discharging from the MS4s to receiving waters, and, if possible, estimation of the non-storm water volume and/or pollutant load reductions attributable to specific water quality strategies in the Responsible Agency's jurisdictions
- Identification of modifications necessary to increase the effectiveness of the water quality improvement strategies implemented by the Responsible Agency toward reducing or eliminating non-storm water and pollutant loads discharging from the MS4s to receiving waters within its jurisdiction, including a comparison with NALs as appropriate
- Identification of data gaps in the monitoring data necessary to develop the assessments above (Provisions D.4.b(1)(c)(i)-(v))

Wet Weather Outfall Assessments and Illicit Discharges

The Responsible Agencies must assess and report the progress of the water quality improvement strategies implemented as part of the Water Quality Improvement Plan and the JRMP toward reducing pollutants in storm water discharges from the MS4s. This is designated as the Wet Weather MS4 Outfall Discharge Monitoring Program. The assessment of this program will:

❖ Estimate volumes and loads of storm water discharges.

As part of the Water Quality Improvement Plan Annual Report, the Responsible Agencies must analyze the monitoring data collected as part of the Wet Weather MS4 Outfall Discharge Monitoring Program. This includes calculating or estimating the following for each monitoring year:

- The average storm water runoff coefficient for each land use type within the San Dieguito River WMA
- For storm events with measurable rainfall greater than 0.1 inch, the volume of storm water and pollutant loads discharged from the monitored MS4 outfalls to receiving waters within the San Dieguito River WMA
- The total flow volume and pollutant loadings discharged from each Responsible Agency's jurisdiction within the San Dieguito River WMA over the course of the wet season, extrapolated from the data produced from the monitored MS4 outfalls
- For storm events with measurable rainfall greater than 0.1 inch, the percent contribution of storm water volumes and pollutant loads discharged from the land use type within (1) each hydrologic subarea with a major MS4 outfall to receiving waters or (2) each major MS4 outfall to receiving waters

❖ Evaluate temporal trends.

To evaluate all the data collected as part of the Wet Weather MS4 Outfall Discharge Monitoring Program, the Responsible Agencies must:

- Incorporate new outfall monitoring data into time series plots for each long-term monitoring constituent for the San Dieguito River WMA.
- Analyze statistical trends on the cumulative long-term wet weather MS4 outfall discharge water quality data set. This will include a comparison with SALs (Provision C.2).

❖ **Evaluate storm water discharge monitoring locations and frequency.**

The Responsible Agencies may identify modifications to the wet weather MS4 outfall discharge monitoring locations and frequencies necessary to identify pollutants in storm water discharges from the MS4s in the San Dieguito River WMA (Provision D.2.c(1)).

Two methods are available per the MS4 Permit to modify the Wet Weather MS4 Discharge Outfall Monitoring Program:

- The Responsible Agencies may adjust the wet weather MS4 outfall discharge monitoring locations in the San Dieguito River WMA, as needed, to (1) identify pollutants in storm water discharges from MS4s, (2) guide pollutant source identification, and (3) determine compliance with the WQBELs associated with the applicable TMDLs in Attachment E of the MS4 Permit, on the basis of the highest priority water quality conditions identified in Section 2. The number of stations should be, at a minimum, equivalent to the number of stations required under the MS4 Permit (Provision D.2.a(3)(a)). Additional outfall monitoring locations (above the minimum per jurisdiction) may be required to demonstrate compliance with the WQBELs associated with the Bacteria TMDL.
- The Responsible Agencies may adjust the analytical monitoring required for the San Dieguito River WMA if historical data or other supporting information demonstrate or justify that analysis of a constituent is not necessary.

❖ **Evaluate Water Quality Improvement Plan analysis.**

The Responsible Agencies will evaluate the Water Quality Improvement Plan analysis on the basis of the wet weather MS4 outfall monitoring data collected and the applicable storm water numeric action levels (Provision C.2). This evaluation will include analyzing and comparing the monitoring data used to develop the Water Quality Improvement Plan, particularly the strategies in Section 4. Additionally, the Responsible Agencies will evaluate whether those analyses should be updated as a component of the adaptive management described in Section 6.

❖ **Evaluate effectiveness of water quality improvement strategies.**

As part of the Report of Waste Discharge, the Responsible Agencies will review the data collected pursuant to the Wet Weather MS4 Outfall Discharge Monitoring Program and findings from the annual wet weather MS4 discharge monitoring assessments described above (Provisions D.4.b(2)(c)(i)-(ii)). The evaluation will:

- Identify progress in achieving reductions in pollutant concentrations and/or pollutant loads from different land uses or drainage areas discharging from the Responsible Agencies' MS4s in the San Dieguito River WMA.

- Assess the effectiveness of water quality improvement strategies being implemented by the Responsible Agencies within the San Dieguito River WMA toward reducing pollutants in storm water discharges from the MS4s to receiving waters within the WMA to the maximum extent practicable (if possible, include an estimate of the pollutant load reductions attributable to specific water quality strategies implemented by the Responsible Agencies).
- Identify modifications necessary to increase the effectiveness of the water quality improvement strategies implemented by the Responsible Agencies in the San Dieguito River WMA toward reducing pollutants in storm water discharges from the MS4s to receiving waters in the WMA to the maximum extent practicable.
- Annually identify data gaps in the monitoring data necessary to assess Provisions D.4.b(2)(c)(i)-(iii).

5.2.4 Special Studies Assessments

As part of the Water Quality Improvement Plan Annual Report, the San Dieguito River WMA Responsible Agencies will evaluate the results and findings from the special studies described in Appendix N. They will use the resulting data to (1) assess their relevance to the Responsible Agencies' characterization of receiving water conditions, (2) understand sources of pollutants and/or stressors, and (3) control and reduce the discharges of pollutants from the MS4 outfalls to receiving waters. As with the other monitoring programs, the results of the special studies assessment may warrant modifications of or updates to the Water Quality Improvement Plan.

The San Dieguito River WMA special studies will attempt to answer questions concerning the natural "reference" concentration of bacteria and other pollutants in the region, and identification of the current known sources of bacteria in the San Dieguito River WMA. The special studies will help guide the implementation of the strategies for the highest priority water quality conditions.

Future special studies related to BMP effectiveness that are implemented by the Responsible Agencies in the San Dieguito River WMA will be included in this assessment. Responsible Agencies may select to report the results of BMP effectiveness studies that are being performed in other WMAs if they relate to the highest priority water quality conditions and if results are expected to be transferrable to strategies planned for the San Dieguito River WMA.

5.2.5 Regional Monitoring Report

The regional monitoring and reporting requirement from Provision F.3.c of the MS4 Permit requires integration of all data on a regional scale to recommend modifications to the implementation or assessment of the Water Quality Improvement Plan and jurisdictional runoff management programs. The report may be included in the Report of Waste Discharge submitted 180 days prior to the expiration of the MS4 Permit, and must assess the following:

- ❖ The beneficial uses of the receiving waters within the San Diego Region that are supported and not adversely affected by the Responsible Agency's MS4 discharges.
- ❖ The beneficial uses of the receiving waters within the San Diego Region that are adversely affected by the Responsible Agency's MS4 discharges.
- ❖ The progress toward protecting beneficial uses of the receiving waters within the San Diego Region from Responsible Agency's MS4 discharges.
- ❖ Pollutants or conditions of emerging concern that may impact beneficial uses of the receiving waters within the San Diego region.

6 Iterative Approach and Adaptive Management Process

The iterative approach that facilitates the adaptive management process for the San Dieguito River WMA is presented in this section. The iterative approach re-evaluates the water quality conditions and priorities, goals, and strategies on the basis of MS4 Permit requirements. The adaptive management process details how the Water Quality Improvement Plan (including the Monitoring and Assessment Plan) is revised when new priorities and/or highest priorities are added, how goals will be adjusted or new goals are added, and how the strategies will be modified to meet the latest goals.

As shown in the graphic below, the fifth step of the Water Quality Improvement Plan (Adaptive Management Process) is to develop the iterative approach that facilitates the adaptive management process for the San Dieguito River WMA (per MS4 Permit Provisions A.4, B.5, D.4.d, and F.2.c). The sixth step of the Water Quality Improvement Plan (Annual Reporting) is to compile and analyze the information collected as part of the MS4 Permit implementation. Annual Reporting is described under both Section 5 and Section 6 of this Water Quality Improvement Plan, as it draws on both the Monitoring and Assessment Program and the Adaptive Management Process.

The MS4 Permit describes triggers that may require program adaptation, including exceedances of water quality standards in receiving waters, new information, Regional Board recommendations, and public participation. The results of effectiveness assessments of JRMP programs and strategies may also trigger adaptations to the Water Quality Improvement Plan.

Section 6 Highlights

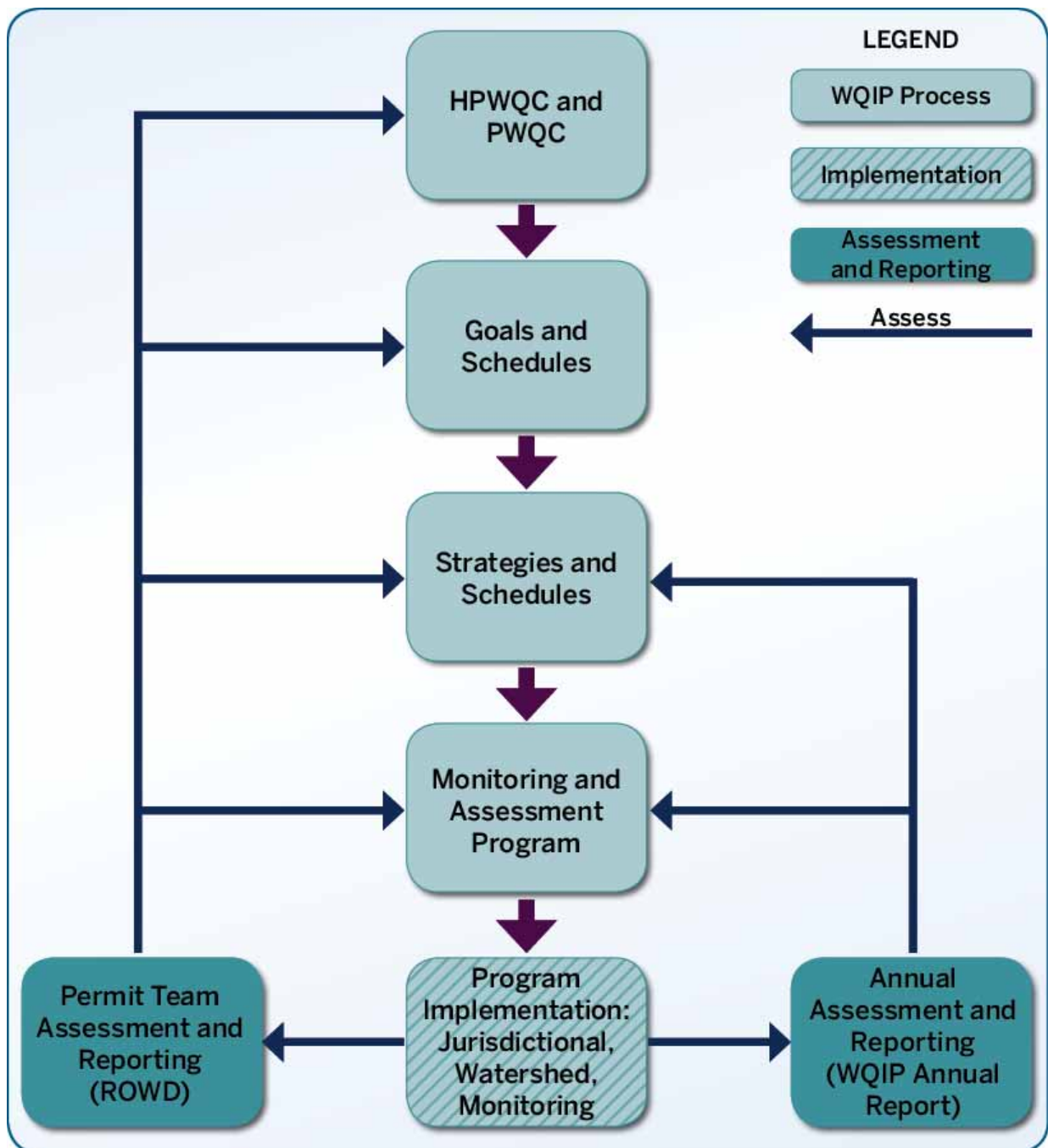
- ❖ Iterative approach is developed to facilitate the adaptive management process for the San Dieguito River WMA.
- ❖ Iterative approach re-evaluates the following on the basis of the requirements of the MS4 Permit:
 - Conditions and priorities
 - Goals
 - Strategies
- ❖ Adaptive management process explains how the Water Quality Improvement Plan will be revised when:
 - New priorities and/or highest priorities are developed
 - Goals are adjusted or new goals are added
 - Strategies are modified to meet the latest goals



Each trigger will result in specific adaptive management processes or actions within timeframes specified in the MS4 Permit. The timing of the adaptive management requirements is typically either annually or at the end of the MS4 Permit term. Other adaptations, especially those driven by TMDLs, will likely occur outside of the MS4 Permit term.

The adaptive management process provides the framework to evaluate progress toward meeting the requirements in the compliance pathways of the Bacteria TMDL that are reflected in the goals presented in Section 4. The adaptive management process will be used in conjunction with the data collected as part of the Monitoring and Assessment Program to evaluate whether modifications to goals, schedules, and/or strategies are necessary to achieve compliance with the interim and final TMDL compliance options provided in Attachment E of the MS4 Permit. Figure 6-1 provides an overview of the adaptive management process.

MS4 Permit requirements, annual assessments and adaptation, and Report of Waste Discharge assessments and adaptations, including triggers and resulting actions, are described in Sections 6.1 through 6.3.



HPWQC= Highest Priority Water Quality Condition; PWQC = Priority Water Quality Condition;
ROWD = Report of Waste Discharge; WQIP = Water Quality Improvement Plan

Figure 6-1
Water Quality Improvement Plan Assessment and Adaptive Management Framework

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6.1 MS4 Permit Requirements: Iterative Approach and Adaptive Management

The MS4 Permit includes the requirements for adaptive management in multiple provisions. Provisions A.4, B.5, D.4.d, and F.2.c each contain requirements related to adaptive management. These requirements are:

- ❖ Provision A.4 requires the Water Quality Improvement Plan to be designed and adapted to ultimately achieve compliance with the discharge prohibitions (Provisions A.1.a and A.1.c) and receiving water limitations (Provision A.2.a) specified in the MS4 Permit. The provision addresses the adaptive management process that may be triggered when exceedances of water quality standards persist in receiving waters.
- ❖ Provision B.5 contains specific considerations that must be included in the adaptive management process, whether performed as part of the Water Quality Improvement Plan Annual Report or as part of the Report of Waste Discharge. This includes the re-evaluation of priority water quality conditions; adaptation of goals, strategies, and schedules; and adaptation of the Monitoring and Assessment Program.
- ❖ Provision D.4.d contains the processes for the assessments and adaptive management that must occur in the Report of Waste Discharge preparations.
- ❖ Provision F.2.c describes the requirements for updates to the Water Quality Improvement Plan that could result from implementation of the adaptive management requirements.

The following sections elaborate on the adaptive management processes, including the frequencies of adaptation required by the MS4 Permit (annual versus MS4 Permit term), triggers, and resulting actions.

Figure 6-2 provides a tentative timeline for the adaptive management process. The first Water Quality Improvement Plan Annual Report is scheduled to be submitted by the Responsible Agencies in January 2017. It will include an abbreviated monitoring and JRMP implementation period because the Monitoring and Assessment Program and JRMP will not be effective until after the approval of the Water Quality Improvement Plan. The timeline assumes that the Water Quality Improvement Plan will be accepted by the Regional Board during fall 2015, with the earliest implementation potentially beginning in October 2015. The second Annual Report for current MS4 Permit cycle will be submitted in January 2018. This submittal will be after the submittal of the Report of Waste Discharge that is due to the Regional Board by December 2017.

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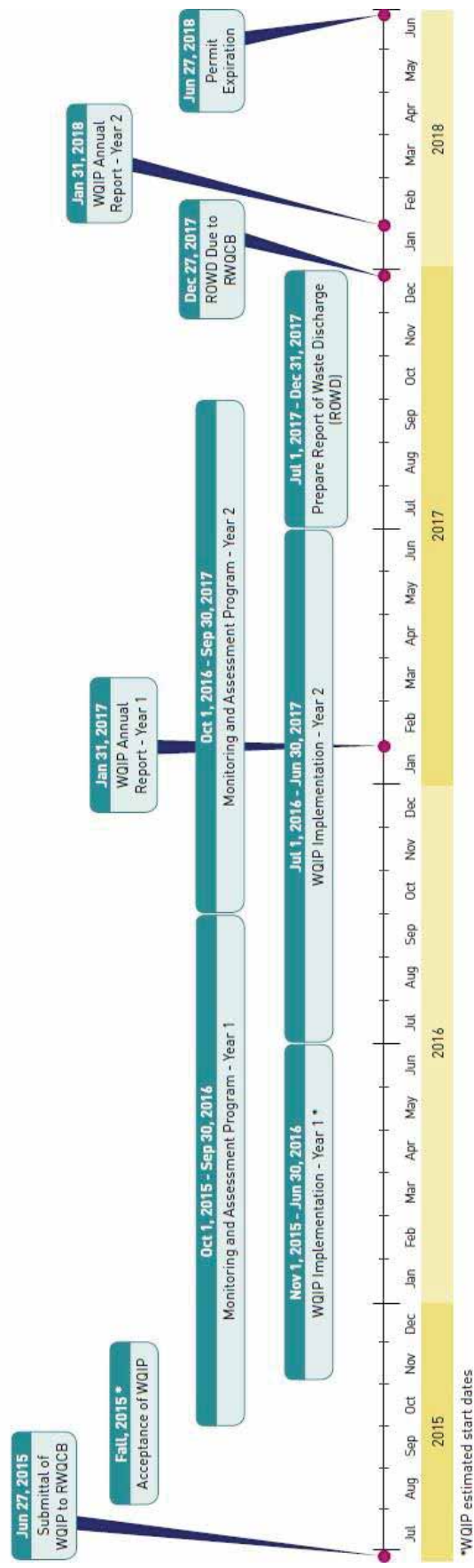


Figure 6-2
Water Quality Improvement Plan
Assessment and Reporting Timeline

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6.2 Annual Assessments and Adaptive Management

The MS4 Permit contains two conditions that may trigger adaptation annually:

- (1) Exceedances of water quality standards in receiving waters
- (2) New information

In either case, modifications may be appropriate for the water quality goals, strategies, schedules, and/or Monitoring and Assessment Program. The priority water quality conditions may be modified as needed during the MS4 Permit term, but would likely be modified only as a result of assessments conducted for the Report of Waste Discharge. A summary of the triggers that must be assessed annually and the corresponding adaptive management processes is presented in Table 6-1.

Table 6-1
Adaptive Management on an Annual Basis (Annual Report)

Plan Element	Trigger ¹	Adaptive Management Process Considerations
Water Quality Strategies and Schedules	Persistent Exceedances Not Addressed (A.4.a(2))	<i>Provision A.4.a(2), Integrated Assessment Considerations (Summarized in Figure 6-3)²</i> ❖ Water quality standard exceedances for pollutants that are addressed by the Water Quality Improvement Plan; continuing implementation of the accepted plan and updating as necessary; ❖ If MS4 discharges are causing or contributing to a new exceedance of an applicable water quality standard for pollutants that are not addressed by the Water Quality Improvement Plan, updating of the plan as part of the Water Quality Improvement Plan Annual Report (unless directed by the Regional Board to update it earlier ❖ Following Regional Board approval of modifications to the Water Quality Improvement Plan, update of the JRMP accordingly by the affected Responsible Agency
	New Information (B.5.b)	<i>Provision B.5.b, Iterative Approach and Adaptive Management Considerations</i> ❖ Modifications to the priority water quality conditions based on Provision B.5.a ❖ Progress toward achieving numeric goals for the highest priority water quality conditions

Table 6-1 (continued)
Adaptive Management on an Annual Basis (Annual Report)

Plan Element	Trigger ¹	Adaptive Management Process Considerations
Water Quality Strategies and Schedules (continued)	New Information (B.5.b) (continued)	❖ Progress toward achieving numeric goals for the highest priority water quality conditions ❖ Progress in meeting established schedules ❖ New policies or regulations that may affect goals ❖ Reductions of non-storm water discharges ❖ Reductions of pollutants in storm water discharges from MS4s to the MEP ❖ New information resulting from the re-evaluation of impacts from MS4 discharges and/or pollutants and stressors ❖ Efficiency in implementing the Water Quality Improvement Plan ❖ Recommendations of the Regional Board ❖ Recommendations received through a public participation process
Monitoring and Assessment Program	Persistent Exceedances Not Addressed (A.4.a(2))	<i>Provision A.4.a(2), Integrated Assessment Considerations (Summarized in Figure 6-3)²</i> ❖ Following the process as described in Figure 6-3, which might include revising the monitoring program to fill data gaps with modifications such as moving monitoring locations, adding additional sample collection, or changing type of sample collected.
	New Information (B.5.c)	<i>Provision B.5.c, Iterative Approach and Adaptive Management Considerations</i> ❖ Re-evaluation based on new information such as modified priority water quality conditions, goals, strategies, or schedules ❖ New information that might include new regulations ❖ Inclusion in the Monitoring and Assessment Program of the monitoring required by the MS4 Permit

1. Following approval of a TMDL with wasteload allocations by the OAL and the USEPA, Responsible Agencies must initiate an update of the Water Quality Improvement Plan within six months.
2. This procedure does not have to be repeated for continuing or recurring exceedances of the same water quality standard(s) once scheduled strategies are implemented unless Responsible Agencies are directed to do so by the Regional Board.

6.2.1 Receiving Waters Assessments

Evaluation of receiving water and MS4 outfall discharge data will be performed annually as part of the Water Quality Improvement Plan Annual Report (Provision F.3.b(3)(a)) is described in Section 5. More comprehensive evaluations of receiving water data will be performed for the Transitional Monitoring and Assessment Program Report and for the Report of Waste Discharge (Provision D.4.a(1)). These evaluations will summarize receiving water data collected within the San Dieguito River WMA and provide information with the potential to trigger the adaptive management process to achieve compliance with MS4 Permit discharge prohibitions and receiving water limitations as prescribed in Provision A.

Provision A.4 describes adaptive management procedures that the Responsible Agencies must implement “if exceedance(s) of water quality standards persist in receiving waters.” If the adaptive management process is triggered under this provision, the process will include the following two key questions:

- ❖ Is the MS4 a source of a pollutant causing the exceedances to persist in the receiving waters?
- ❖ Are the exceedances addressed by the Water Quality Improvement Plan?

If the MS4 is determined to be a source of pollutants causing the receiving water exceedance(s) and the receiving water exceedances are addressed under the Water Quality Improvement Plan, the Responsible Agencies will continue implementation of the Water Quality Improvement Plan. If the MS4 is determined to be a source of pollutants causing the receiving water exceedance(s) and the receiving water exceedances are not addressed, the Responsible Agencies will update the plan to address the exceedances as described in Provision A.4.a(2) and submit the updates with the Water Quality Improvement Plan Annual Report. The updates will include, as applicable:

- ❖ A description of strategies that are currently being implemented, are effective, and will continue
- ❖ A description of strategies that will be implemented to reduce or eliminate pollutants or conditions that are a source of the receiving water exceedances
- ❖ Updates to the implementation schedules for existing, revised, or additional strategies
- ❖ Updates to the Monitoring and Assessment Program to track progress toward achieving compliance with Provisions A.1.a, A.1.c, and A.2.a

The adaptive management process as required under Provision A.4 is illustrated in Figure 6-3.

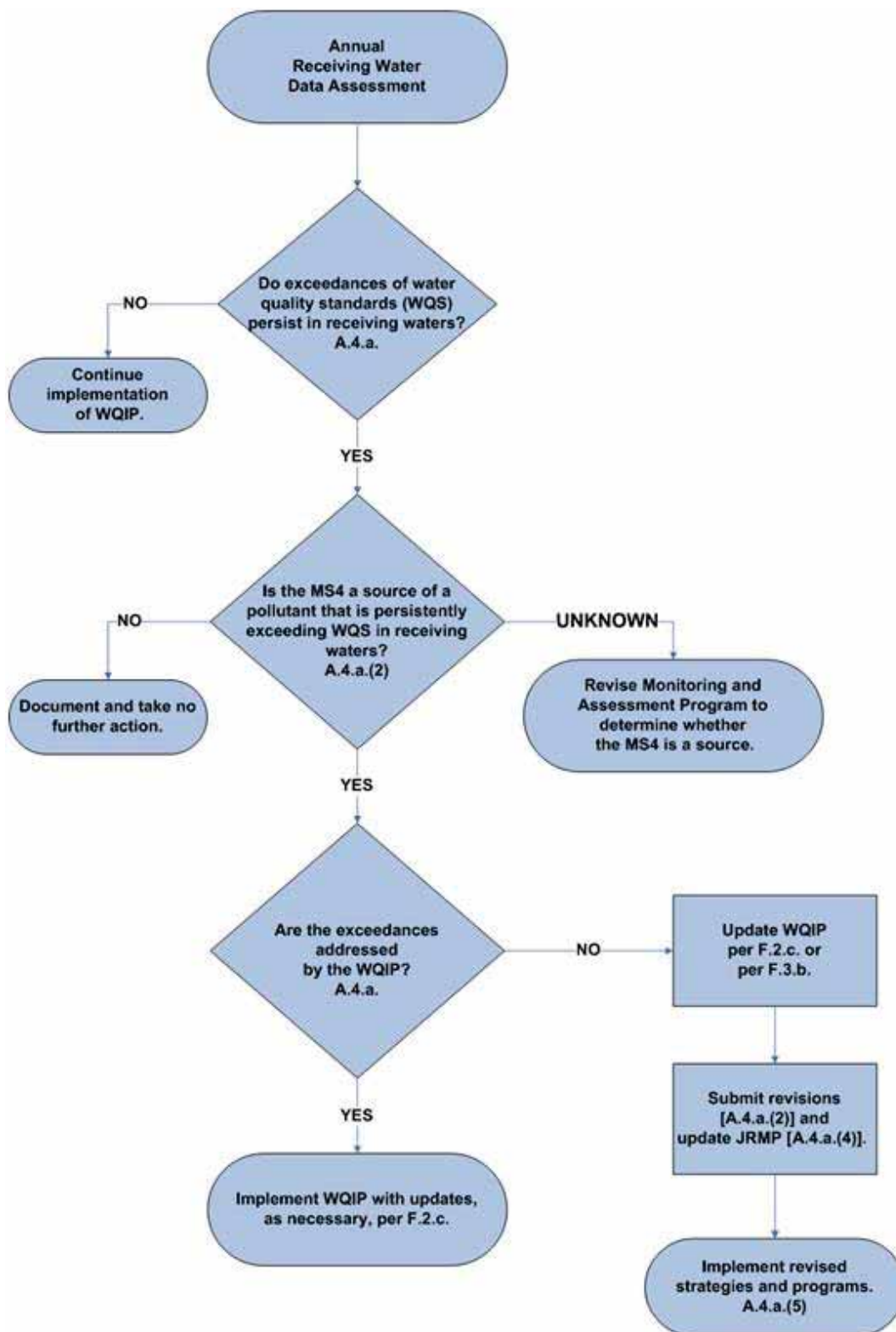


Figure 6-3
Receiving Water Exceedance Process (Provision A.4)

6.2.2 Annual Evaluation of New Information

The adaptive management process may also be triggered as new information becomes available. Where appropriate, modifications may be made to goals, strategies, schedules, and/or the Monitoring and Assessment Program and reported in the Water Quality Improvement Plan Annual Report. Types of new information that may trigger the adaptive management process as part of the annual assessment process are discussed below, including the potential trigger(s) for modification(s) and the resulting adaptive management process to be employed.

6.2.2.1 Regulatory Drivers

Where new regulations or policies are adopted that impact WMA planning and implementation processes in the near term, modifications to the Water Quality Improvement Plan goals, strategies, schedules, and/or Monitoring and Assessment Program may be warranted, and, in some cases, required. For example, an update to the Water Quality Improvement Plan will be initiated no later than six months following approval of a TMDL Basin Plan Amendment by the California Office of Administrative Law (OAL) and the USEPA. The trigger applies to TMDLs containing wasteload allocations assigned to Responsible Agencies within the WMA during the term of the MS4 Permit (Provision F.2.c(2)). Other examples of regulatory drivers that may trigger modifications to the Water Quality Improvement Plan include new state policies (e.g., trash, toxicity, biological objectives, bacteria) and changes resulting from modifications to existing MS4 Permit requirements (e.g., as a result of a reopener).

6.2.2.2 Special Study Results

As part of the Monitoring and Assessment Program, Responsible Agencies will perform special studies related to the highest priority water quality condition for the San Dieguito River WMA. The special studies are designed to provide information related to sources of the highest priority water quality conditions within the San Dieguito River WMA, will be implemented during the MS4 Permit term, and are typically performed over multiple years. As relevant data, conclusions, and lessons learned become available from these studies, the Water Quality Improvement Plan may be modified. The study results may impact the goals, strategies, schedules, and the Monitoring and Assessment Program. Additionally, lessons learned and study results from outside the San Dieguito River WMA, especially those related to bacteria impairments, may also be incorporated into the Water Quality Improvement Plan.

6.2.2.3 Program Effectiveness Assessments

Strategies developed within the Water Quality Improvement Plan will be incorporated into individual Responsible Agency programs through implementation of their respective JRMPs. Each Responsible Agency is implementing programs that are focused on addressing the highest priority water quality condition within the San Dieguito River WMA. While implementation of these programs has been ongoing in many cases, refinements to the programs provide additional focus on the particular water quality issues identified in the Water Quality Improvement Plan. Over time, Responsible Agencies will use various assessment methods to determine which program refinements are effective and which are not. In some cases, the program effectiveness assessment results may provide useful information leading to adaption of elements of the Water Quality Improvement Plan. Where new information is applicable, it may be used to modify goals, strategies, schedules, and the Monitoring and Assessment Program.

6.2.2.4 Regional Board Recommendations

Adaptation of the Water Quality Improvement Plan may also be required on the basis of recommendations from the Regional Board. Recommendations may be a result of the public participation process, Consultation Committee, review of submitted reports, or other Regional Board interests.

6.3 MS4 Permit Term Assessments and Adaptive Management

The MS4 Permit also contains specific assessments to be performed during preparation of the Report of Waste Discharge. The assessments are longer term in nature, occurring only once during the MS4 Permit cycle. Because the updates to the Water Quality Improvement Plan are required to undergo a full public participation process per Provision F.2.c, including reconvening the Consultation Committee, modifications will consider input from the public and the Regional Board. Adaptation of Water Quality Improvement Plan elements will also consider new regulations or policies as appropriate. In the Report of Waste Discharge preparation, all elements of the Water Quality Improvement Plan are eligible for modifications through the required adaptive management processes. Elements that will be evaluated include the water quality conditions (i.e., priorities), goals and accompanying schedules, strategies and accompanying schedules, and the Monitoring and Assessment Program. Table 6-2 summarizes the triggers and adaptive management processes that are required as part of the Report of Waste Discharge.

Table 6-2
Adaptive Management on a Permit Term Basis (Report of Waste Discharge)

Plan Element	Adaptive Management Process Considerations
Priority Water Quality Conditions (B.5.a, D.4.d(1))	<i>Provision B.5.a, Iterative Approach and Adaptive Management Considerations</i> ❖ Achievement of the outcome of improved water quality through the implementation of strategies identified in the Water Quality Improvement Plan ❖ New information developed in the re-assessment of receiving water conditions, impacts from MS4 discharges, and subsequent re-evaluation of priorities ❖ Spatial and temporal accuracy of monitoring data ❖ Availability of new information and data from sources outside the JRMP programs that inform the effectiveness of implementation strategies and actions ❖ Recommendations of the Regional Board ❖ Recommendations received through a public participation process
	<i>Provision D.4.d(1), Integrated Assessment Considerations</i> ❖ Re-evaluation of the receiving water conditions and the impacts of MS4 discharges on receiving waters per the process developed in Section 2 of the Water Quality Improvement Plan and included in Appendix A, including the identification of beneficial uses in receiving waters that are protected per the Monitoring and Assessment Program ❖ Re-evaluation of the identification of MS4 sources and/or stressors that correspond to elevation of a new highest priority

Table 6-2 (continued)
Adaptive Management on a Permit Term Basis (Report of Waste Discharge)

Plan Element	Adaptive Management Process Considerations
Water Quality Goals and Schedules (B.5.b, D.4.d(1))	<i>Provision B.5.b, Iterative Approach and Adaptive Management Considerations</i> ❖ Modifications to the priority water quality conditions based on Provision B.5.a ❖ Progress toward achieving numeric goals for the highest priority water quality conditions ❖ Progress in meeting established schedules ❖ New policies or regulations that may affect goals ❖ Reductions of non-storm water discharges ❖ Reductions of pollutants in storm water discharges from MS4s to the MEP ❖ New information resulting from re-evaluating impacts from MS4 discharges and/or pollutants and stressors ❖ Efficiency in implementing the Water Quality Improvement Plan ❖ Recommendations of the Regional Board ❖ Recommendations received through a public participation process
	<i>Provision D.4.d(1), Integrated Assessment Considerations</i> ❖ Evaluation of the progress toward achieving interim and final numeric goals for protecting impacted beneficial uses in receiving waters
	<i>Provision D.4.d(2), Integrated Assessment Considerations</i> ❖ Identification of the non-storm water and storm water pollutant loads from the MS4 outfalls per Provision D.4.b ❖ Identification of the non-storm water and storm water pollutant load reductions, or other improvements that are necessary to attain the interim and final numeric goals ❖ Identification of the non-storm water and storm water pollutant load reductions, or other improvements, that are necessary to demonstrate that non-storm water and storm water discharges are not causing or contributing to exceedances of receiving water limitations ❖ Evaluation of the progress of the strategies toward achieving interim and final numeric goals for protecting beneficial uses in receiving waters

Table 6-2 (continued)
Adaptive Management on a Permit Term Basis (Report of Waste Discharge)

Plan Element	Adaptive Management Process Considerations
Monitoring and Assessment Program (B.5.c)	<i>Provision B.5.c, Iterative Approach and Adaptive Management Considerations</i> ❖ Review of Monitoring and Assessment Programs based on the requirements in Provision D ❖ Adjustment of the monitoring program to determine whether discharges from the MS4 are causing/contributing to exceedances in the receiving water when new exceedances persist; identification and addressing of data gaps via re-assessment of monitoring locations and frequencies; adjustment of the monitoring program to address results of special studies

6.3.1 Priority Water Quality Conditions

The process for selecting the highest priority water quality condition(s) is documented in Section 2. Given the relatively short duration of the remainder of this MS4 Permit term after expected approval of the Water Quality Improvement Plan, the priority water quality conditions selected during the development of the Water Quality Improvement Plan will remain for the duration of the current term. They will be modified only on the basis of new information assessed as part of the Report of Waste Discharge. Data collected during the MS4 Permit term will be used to update the analysis of the priority water quality conditions on the basis of the methodology described in Appendix A and implemented in Section 2.

6.3.2 Progress Toward Achieving Goals

As part of the preparation of the Report of Waste Discharge, the Responsible Agencies will evaluate the progress toward achieving the interim and final numeric goals established in Section 4.1. The Water Quality Improvement Plan interim goals identified for the current permit term are provided in Tables 6-3 through 6-8 along with the related assessment metric for each.

Table 6-3
City of Del Mar Jurisdictional Goals, FY14 – FY18

Numeric Goal	Unit of Measure	Assessment Period and Fiscal Year	Assessment Method
		Current Permit Term (FY14-FY18)	
Wet Weather Performance Measures			
Performance Metrics		FY18	
MS4 Discharges Bacteria and Dry Weather Flow Reduction	Reduction in Anthropogenic Surface Dry Weather Flows ¹	Achieve a 10% reduction in anthropogenic surface dry weather flows ¹ that originate within the City’s jurisdictional boundaries from historical baseline to address bacteria regrowth contributing during wet weather	Summarize reduction in dry weather flow observed through MS4 Outfall monitoring program in the San Dieguito River WMA in the January 2018 Annual Water Quality Improvement Plan Report
Dry Weather Performance Measures			
Performance Metrics		FY18	
MS4 Discharges Bacteria and Dry Weather Flow Reduction	Reduction in Anthropogenic Surface Dry Weather Flows ¹	Achieve a 10% reduction in anthropogenic surface dry weather flows ¹ that originate within the City’s jurisdictional boundaries from historical baseline	Summarize reduction in dry weather flow observed through MS4 Outfall monitoring program in the San Dieguito River WMA in the January 2018 Annual Water Quality Improvement Plan Report

1. The term "dry weather flow" excludes groundwater, other exempt or permitted non-storm water flows, and sanitary sewer overflows.

Table 6-4
City of Escondido Jurisdictional Goals, FY14 – FY18

Numeric Goal	Unit of Measure	Assessment Period and Fiscal Year	Assessment Method
		Current Permit Term (FY14-FY18)	
Wet Weather Performance Measures			
Performance Metrics		FY18	
MS4 Discharges Bacteria, Sediment, and Nutrient Reduction	Restoration of Sediment Detention Basin	Treat 4 acres of drainage area through restoration of 1 sediment detention basin in a multiuse treatment area at Eagle Scout (formerly Sand) Lake, Kit Carson Park	Summarize the completed project that treats 4 acres of drainage area in the January 2018 Annual Water Quality Improvement Plan Report
Dry Weather Performance Measures			
Performance Metrics		FY18	
MS4 Discharges Reduce Dry Weather Flow	Dry Weather Flow Reduction from Baseline in Priority Drainage Area	Achieve a 10% reduction in flow from historical baseline at priority persistent flow outfall (HDG_102)	Summarize the dry weather flow reduction observed through MS4 outfall monitoring program in the San Dieguito River WMA in the January 2018 Annual Water Quality Improvement Plan Report

Table 6-5
City of Poway Jurisdictional Goals, FY14 – FY18

Numeric Goal	Unit of Measure	Assessment Period and Fiscal Year	Assessment Method
		Current Permit Term (FY14-FY18)	
Dry Weather Performance Measures			
Performance Metrics		FY18	
MS4 Discharges Bacteria and Dry Weather Flow Reduction	Turf Conversion	Achieve a 5% increase in turf conversion from baseline	Summarize percent increase in turf conversion in the San Dieguito River WMA in the January 2018 Annual Water Quality Improvement Plan Report

Table 6-6
City of San Diego Jurisdictional Goals, FY16 – FY18

Numeric Goal	Unit of Measure	Assessment Period and Fiscal Year	Assessment Method
		Current Permit Term (FY14-FY18)	
Wet Weather Performance Measures			
Performance Metrics		FY18	
MS4 Discharges Bacteria Reduction	Green Infrastructure Policy	Construct 2 green infrastructure BMPs to treat 10.6 acres of drainage area	Summarize the completed projects that capture and treat drainage from 10.6 acres in the January 2018 Annual Water Quality Improvement Plan Report

Table 6-6 (continued)
City of San Diego Jurisdictional Goals, FY16 – FY18

Numeric Goal	Unit of Measure	Assessment Period and Fiscal Year	Assessment Method
		Current Permit Term (FY14-FY18)	
Dry Weather Performance Measures			
MS4 Discharges Dry Weather Flow and Bacteria Reduction	Green Infrastructure Policy	Construct 2 green infrastructure BMPs to treat 10.6 acres of drainage area	Summarize the completed projects that capture and treat drainage from 10.6 acres in the January 2018 Annual Water Quality Improvement Plan Report
MS4 Discharges Reduce Pollutants in Dry Weather Discharges	Dry Weather Flow Reduction from Baseline	Achieve a 10% reduction in prohibited ¹ dry weather flow from baseline measured at persistently flowing outfalls during dry weather	Summarize the prohibited ¹ dry weather flow reduction observed through MS4 outfall monitoring program in the San Dieguito River WMA in the January 2018 Annual Water Quality Improvement Plan Report

1. Does not include allowable discharges as defined in MS4 Permit Provision A and Provision E.2.a.

Table 6-7
City of Solana Beach Jurisdictional Goals, FY14 – FY18

Numeric Goal	Unit of Measure	Assessment Period and Fiscal Year	Assessment Method
		Current Permit Term (FY14-FY18)	
Wet Weather Performance Measures			
Performance Metrics		FY18	
MS4 Discharges Bacteria and Flow Reduction	Design and Installation of Diverters	Direct 40.5 acres of low flows and first flush flow to sanitary sewer through construction of 1 diverter at high priority outfall	Summarize the completed project that directs 40.5 acres of low flows and first flush flow to sanitary sewer in the January 2018 Annual Water Quality Improvement Plan Report
MS4 Discharges Bacteria and Flow Reduction	Design and Construction of Curb Cuts	Treat 8 acres of drainage area through curb cuts to redirect water from traditional drainage areas to permeable surfaces along Highway 101	Summarize the completed curb cuts that treat 8 acres of drainage area in the January 2018 Annual Water Quality Improvement Plan Report
Dry Weather Performance Measures			
Performance Metrics		FY18	
MS4 Discharges Bacteria and Dry Weather Flow Reduction	Design and Installation of Diverters	Direct 40.5 acres of low flows and first flush flow to sanitary sewer through construction of 1 diverter at high priority outfall	Summarize the completed project that directs 40.5 acres of low flows and first flush flow to sanitary sewer in the January 2018 Annual Water Quality Improvement Plan Report
MS4 Discharges Bacteria and Dry Weather Flow Reduction	Design and Construction of Curb Cuts	Treat 8 acres of drainage area through curb cuts to redirect water from traditional drainage areas to permeable surfaces along Highway 101	Summarize the completed curb cuts that treat 8 acres of drainage area in the January 2018 Annual Water Quality Improvement Plan Report

Table 6-8
County of San Diego Jurisdictional Goals, FY14 – FY18

Numeric Goal	Unit of Measure	Assessment Period and Fiscal Year	Assessment Method
		Current Permit Term (FY14-FY18)	
Wet Weather Performance Measures			
Performance Metrics		FY18	
MS4 Discharges Bacteria Reduction	% Bacterial Load Reduction	Implement programmatic (non-structural) BMPs to achieve source reduction of bacteria loads from the MS4 outfalls	Provide a summary of programmatic BMPs implemented in the San Dieguito River WMA in the January 2018 Annual Water Quality Improvement Plan Report
MS4 Discharges Bacteria Reduction (Optional)	% Bacterial Load Reduction	Reduce % bacteria loads by TBD in FY 15-16 from distributed BMPs constructed between 2003 and 2009 during redevelopment	Provide a summary of structural BMPs ¹ implemented in the San Dieguito River WMA in the January 2018 Annual Water Quality Improvement Plan Report
Dry Weather Performance Measures			
Performance Metrics		FY18	
MS4 Discharges Dry Weather Flow and Bacteria Reduction	% Reduction of flow volume or number of outfalls with flows mitigated from persistently flowing MS4 outfalls	Reduce by 20% the aggregate flow volume or the number of persistently flowing outfalls during dry weather	Summarize reduction of dry weather flow ² volume or reduction of number of persistently flowing outfalls during dry weather in the San Dieguito River WMA in the January 2018 Annual Water Quality Improvement Plan Report

1. Implementation of structural BMPs is optional, as needed, and as funding is available.

2. The term “dry weather flow” excludes groundwater, other exempt or permitted non-storm water flows, and sanitary sewer overflows.

Assessment of the goals and compliance pathways will be performed using data collected per the Monitoring and Assessment Program and JRMPs, along with the schedules developed in conjunction with each goal. Depending on the results of the assessment, it may be appropriate to adjust either or both the numeric goals and/or the schedules associated with each goal. The exception is where the interim and/or final numeric goals and schedules are based on approved Bacteria TMDL compliance schedules. In this case, interim schedules may be modified. However, numeric targets (interim and final) and final schedules cannot be modified without changes to the Bacteria TMDL.

6.3.3 Strategies and Schedules

The strategies and implementation schedules developed to address the highest priority water quality conditions in the San Dieguito River WMA will be re-evaluated as part of the preparation of the Report of Waste Discharge. Ultimately, the effectiveness of the strategies will be based on the progress toward achieving the interim and final numeric goals. However, an evaluation of strategies based on the achievement of the interim and final numeric goals may take many years of implementation and monitoring to assess. To supplement the “goal-based” assessments, water quality and programmatic data collected over the MS4 Permit term will be incorporated into the assessment and adaptive process to modify strategies and implementation schedules as appropriate.

6.3.3.1 Water Quality Data Evaluation and Linkage to Strategies

Receiving water data will be assessed as described in Section 5.2.2. The assessment will indicate progress toward goals and protection of beneficial uses. These data may be used to evaluate the collective effectiveness of the Water Quality Improvement Plan strategies. This information will provide a “big picture” assessment of the success of the strategies over the long term.

MS4 outfall data and special studies results may provide information that is more directly linked to the implementation of individual strategies. Where possible, this information will be used to modify, eliminate, and/or develop new strategies to address the highest priority water quality conditions in the San Dieguito River WMA. Where appropriate, these assessments will include a comparison of the data with the NALs and SALs as required per MS4 Permit Provision C. These data will provide the foundation for the MS4 outfall discharge assessments described in Section 5.2.3, which will examine the results of Responsible Agency Illicit Discharge Detection and Elimination Programs and MS4 Outfall Discharge Monitoring Programs. Where strategies can be linked to measurable or demonstrable reductions of non-storm water discharges or of pollutants in storm water, appropriate modifications will be made.

6.3.3.2 Program Assessments

Where available, the results of program effectiveness assessments performed at the jurisdictional or WMA scale may also drive the adaptation of specific strategies. The level of information will vary by jurisdiction and by program, as these types of assessments are not explicitly required under the MS4 Permit. However, in many cases,

the jurisdictions are performing programmatic assessments to ensure the most effective use of limited resources. These assessments have the potential to provide information to determine the effectiveness of specific strategies that is more relevant than water quality data collected at outfalls or in receiving waters. In addition, the assessments may be a key driver in adapting strategies. In some cases, modifications to strategies may also be the result of internal jurisdictional opportunities or constraints such as increases or decreases in available funding or staffing.

6.3.4 Monitoring and Assessment Program

As part of the Report of Waste Discharge, the Responsible Agencies will consider modifications to the Monitoring and Assessment Program, consistent with the requirements in Provision D.4.d(3). During the MS4 Permit term, modifications must be consistent with the requirements of Provisions D.1, D.2, and D.3 (receiving water, MS4 outfall, and special study monitoring requirements, respectively), which limit the amount of adaptation that is possible. However, recommendations within the Report of Waste Discharge provide an opportunity to propose more meaningful modifications to the Monitoring and Assessment Program. Examples of potential modifications to the Monitoring and Assessment Program include the following adjustments:

- ❖ Determine whether discharges from the MS4 are linked to exceedances in the receiving water
- ❖ Address data gaps via re-assessment of monitoring locations and frequencies
- ❖ Address results of special studies

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APPENDIX A

Priority and Highest Priority Water Quality Condition Selection Methodology

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The methodology to select the priority and highest priority water quality conditions follows four steps.

Step 1: Determine Receiving Water Conditions (Permit B.2.a). The goal of the receiving water assessment is to determine the receiving water conditions in the watershed. Some receiving water conditions may be selected as priority water quality conditions if there is sufficient data showing that the MS4 is causing and contributing to the receiving water condition or if it is suspected that the MS4 may be causing and contributing but there is a gap in the data.

- a. Information and data to evaluate receiving waters conditions includes:
 - i. TMDLs;
 - ii. 303(d) listings to determine impaired beneficial uses;
 - iii. Sources that are provided as part of the 303(d) listing. (This is important if the 303(d) listing has called out the MS4 as a source);
 - iv. RW limits for appropriate segments;
 - v. Historic and current data from the LTEA and WURMP. (Associate a NPDES monitoring location with each watershed when available. The priorities listed by these documents exceed water quality benchmarks.); and
 - vi. 3rd party data submitted in response to public data call.
- b. Determine a receiving water condition based on the following criteria:
 - i. TMDLs in the watershed applied upstream where appropriate;
 - ii. All 303(d) listings;
 - iii. All additional receiving water conditions identified by reviewing historic and current monitoring data; and
 - iv. 3rd party data submitted in response to public data call.

Step 2: Determine Potential Receiving Water Impacts from MS4 Discharges (Permit B.2.b). Review MS4 Monitoring Data to determine potential receiving water impacts associated with MS4 discharges by assessing the following:

- a. Outfall monitoring data provided in the WURMP and LTEA. (It is important to note that often only one MS4 wet weather outfall location is associated with each NPDES monitoring location, meaning that the analysis is done at the subwatershed level and not in the receiving water);
- b. WQBELs where appropriate;
- c. The 303(d) listing identifies the MS4 as a source; and
- d. 3rd party data submitted in response to public data call.

Step 3: Determine Priority Water Quality Conditions (Permit B.2.c.(1)). The goal of this step is to select the priority water quality conditions by analyzing the receiving water conditions based on the potential for the MS4 to cause and contribute to the condition. Priority water quality conditions may be identified based on the following criteria:

- a. MS4 subwatershed outfall data compared to the receiving water condition. If the subwatershed level outfall data shows that MS4 is causing and contributing to the receiving water condition then it may be considered a priority water quality condition;
- b. If there is no outfall monitoring data associated with the receiving water condition, the 303(d) listing will be referenced to determine if the MS4 is included as a source. If the MS4 is listed as a source, this receiving water condition may be considered a priority water quality condition with a data gap; and
- c. Consider 3rd party input submitted in response to public data call.

Step 4: Determine Highest Priority Water Quality Condition(s) (Permit B.2.c.(2)).

The MS4 Permit requires the Copermittees to identify the highest priority water quality conditions to be addressed by the Water Quality Improvement Plan, and provide a rationale for selecting a subset of the priority water quality conditions identified in Step 3. Because the MS4 Permit requires the development and identification of numeric goals, strategies, and schedules for the highest priority water quality conditions, a scientifically-based screening analysis of priority water quality conditions was applied. Conditions already subject to an approved TMDL, ASBS or other water quality regulation will be elevated to highest priority water quality condition.

The Responsible Agencies will identify priority water quality conditions not subject to an approved water quality regulation as a highest priority based on the following factors:

- a. The supporting data set is sufficient to adequately characterize the degree to which the priority water quality condition changes seasonally, and over geographic area, to support its consideration as a highest priority water quality condition.
- b. Storm water/ non-storm water runoff is a predominant source for the priority water quality condition.
- c. The priority water quality condition is controllable by the Responsible Agencies.
- d. The priority water quality condition would not be addressed by strategies identified for other highest priority water quality conditions in this Water Quality Improvement Plan.

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San Dieguito River WMA Maps

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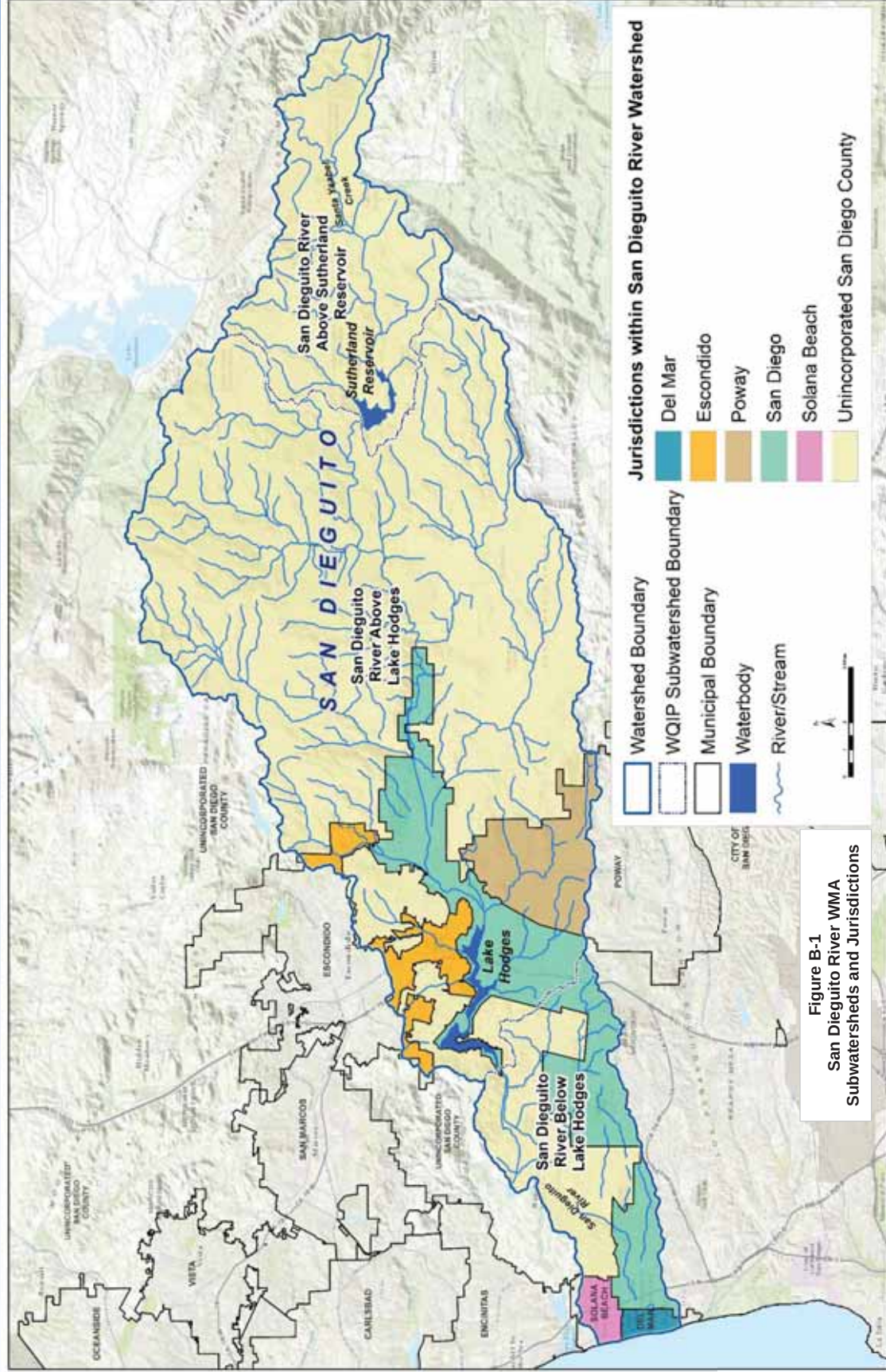
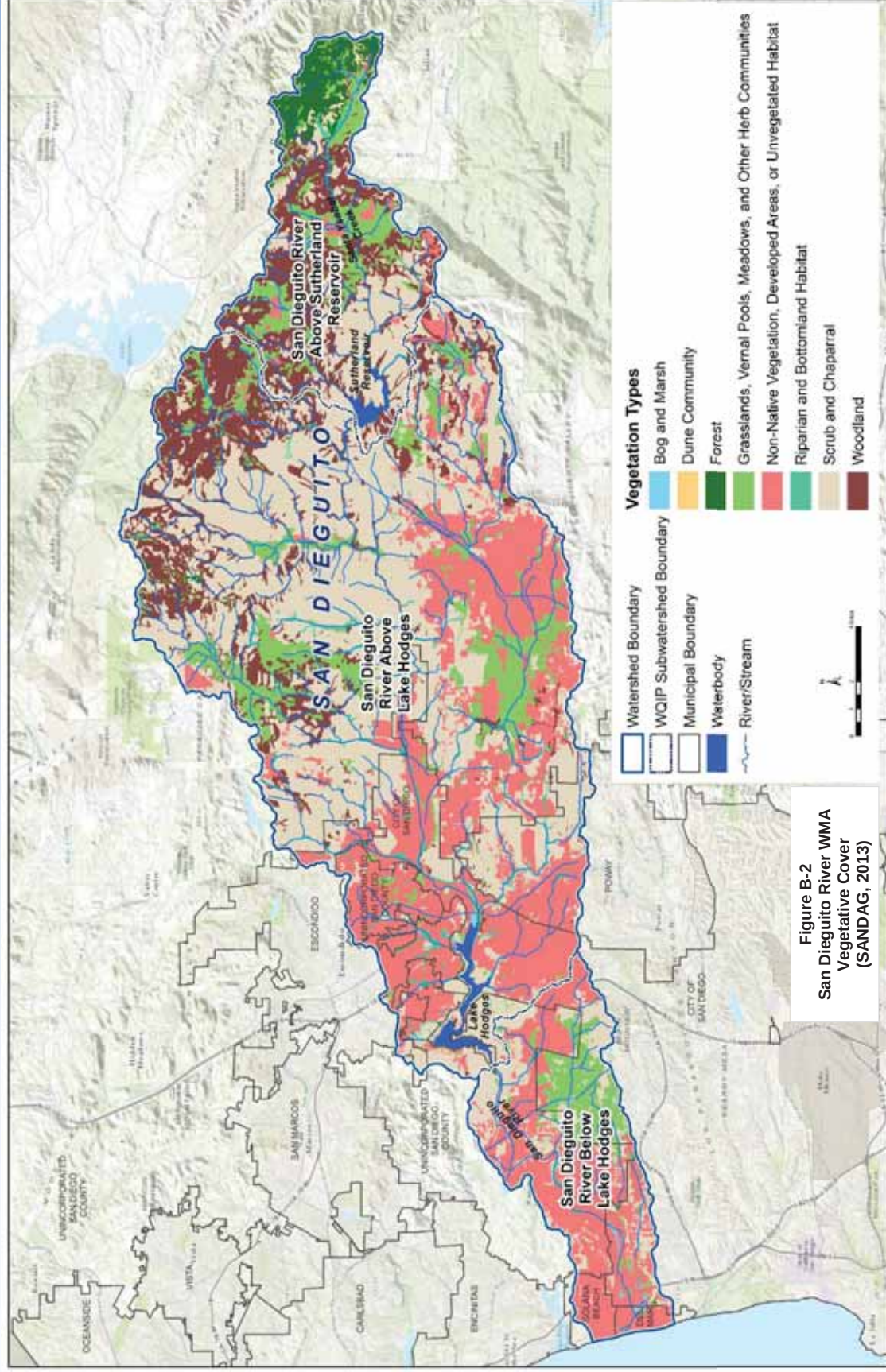
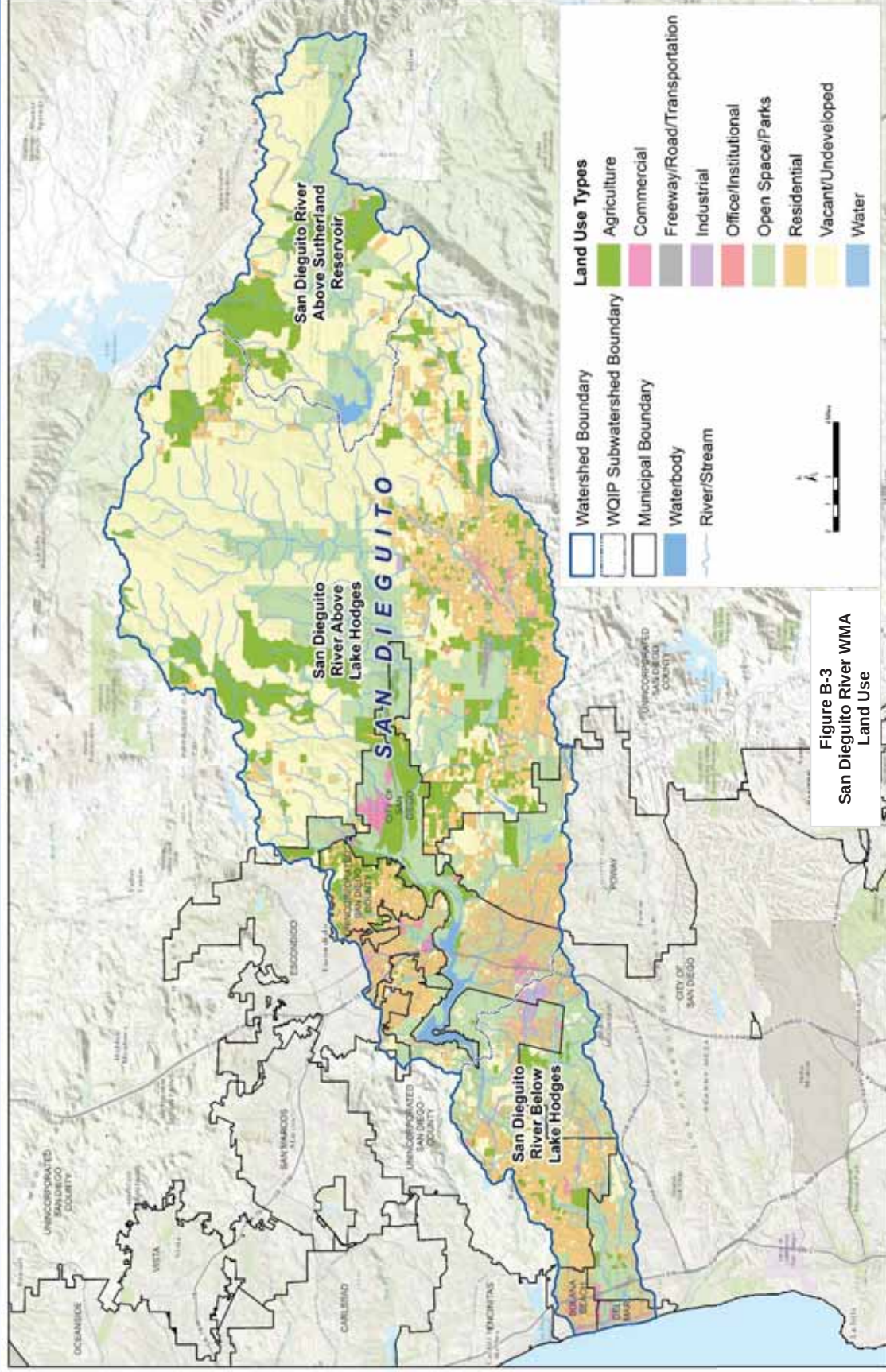


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San Diego River WMA
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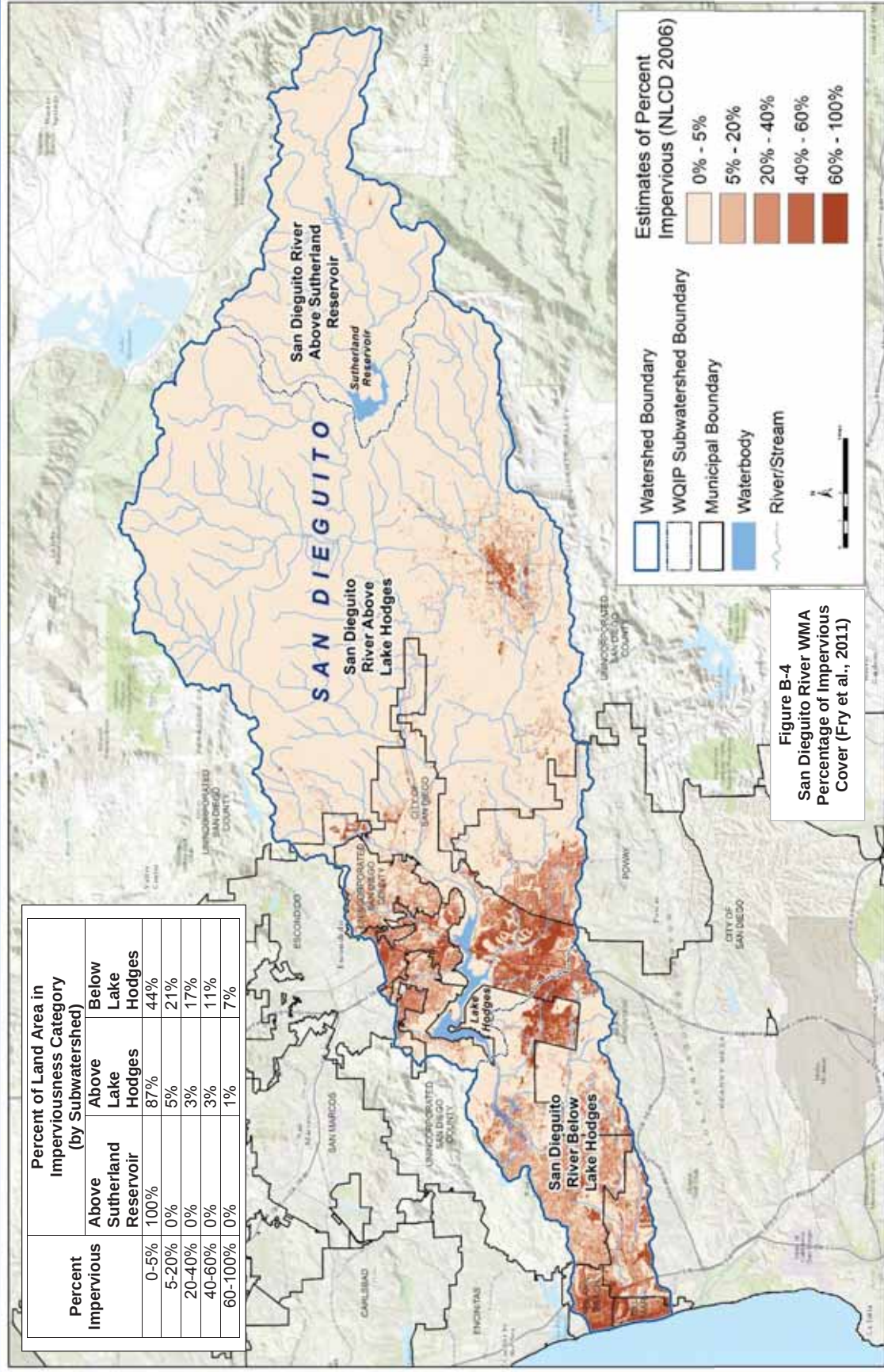
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APPENDIX C

Beneficial Uses of 303(d) Listed Waterbodies in the San Dieguito River WMA

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Table C-1 presents the beneficial use designations of the 303(d) listed waterbodies in the San Dieguito River WMA. Beneficial uses specifically identified as impaired by the 2010 303(d) list are shaded blue. This table does not present waterbodies that were not identified as impaired on the 303(d) list. Approximately 97% of the waterbodies in the San Dieguito River WMA are not impaired or have not been assessed. Of those waterbodies that are listed as having impairments, most beneficial uses are attained.

Table C-1
Beneficial Uses of the 2010 303(d) Listed Waterbodies in the
San Dieguito River WMA

303(d) Listed Waterbody Name	Beneficial Use																			
	I N D	N A V	C O M M	M U N	A G R	I N D	P R O C	G W R	R E C 1	R E C 2	B I O L	W A R M	C O L D	W I L D	R A R E	M A R	A Q U A	M I G R	S P W N	S H E L L
Santa Ysabel Creek (905.53 and 905.54)				●	●	●	●		●	●		●	●	●					●	
Sutherland Reservoir (905.53)				●	●	●	●		●	●		●	●	●	●					
Cloverdale Creek (905.32)				●	●	●	●		○	●		●		●	●					
Kit Carson Creek (905.21)				●	●	●	●	○	●	●		●		●	●					
Green Valley Creek (905.21 and 905.22)				●	●	●	●	○	●	●		●		●						
Felicita Creek (905.23)				●	●	●	●	○	●	●		●		●						
Lake Hodges (905.21)				●	●	●	●		●	●		●	●	●	●					
San Dieguito River (905.11 and 905.21)				●	●	●	●		●	●	●	●	●	●	●				●	
Pacific Ocean Shoreline at San Dieguito Lagoon Mouth (905.11)	●	●	●						●	●	●			●	●	●	●	●	●	●

Beneficial use is impaired based on the 2010 303(d) list

○ Potential beneficial use

● Existing beneficial use

The beneficial uses that are impaired in 303(d)-listed waterbodies the San Dieguito River WMA are defined in the Basin Plan as follows:

- ❖ **AGR (Agricultural Supply)** includes uses of water for farming, horticulture, or ranching, including, but not limited to, irrigation, stock watering, or support of vegetation for range grazing.
- ❖ **MUN (Municipal and Domestic Supply)** includes uses of water for community, military, or individual water supply systems, including, but not limited to, drinking water supply.

- ❖ **REC-1 (Contact Water Recreation)** includes uses of water for recreational activities involving body contact with water, where ingestion of water is reasonably possible. These uses include, but are not limited to, swimming, wading, water-skiing, skin and SCUBA diving, surfing, white water activities, fishing, or use of natural hot springs.
- ❖ **REC-2 (Non-Contact Water Recreation)** includes the uses of water for recreational activities involving proximity to water, but not normally involving body contact with water, where ingestion of water is reasonably possible. These uses include, but are not limited to, picnicking, sunbathing, hiking, beachcombing, camping, boating, tide pool and marine life study, hunting, sightseeing, or aesthetic enjoyment in conjunction with the above activities.
- ❖ **SHELL (Shellfish Harvesting)** includes uses of water that support habitats suitable for the collection of filter-feeding shellfish (e.g., clams, oysters, and mussels) for human consumption, commercial, or sport purposes.
- ❖ **WARM (Warm Freshwater Habitat)** includes uses of water that support warm water ecosystems, including, but not limited to, preservation or enhancement of aquatic habitats, vegetation, fish, or wildlife, including invertebrates.

The beneficial uses in the San Dieguito WMA which are not impaired are defined in the Basin Plan as follows:

- ❖ **AQUA (Aquaculture)** includes the uses of water for aquaculture or mariculture operations including, but not limited to, propagation, cultivation, maintenance, or harvesting of aquatic plants and animals for human consumption or bait purposes.
- ❖ **BIOL (Preservation of Biological Habitats of Special Significance)** includes uses of water that support designated areas or habitats, such as established refuges, parks, sanctuaries, ecological reserves, or Areas of Special Biological Significance (ASBS), where the preservation or enhancement of natural resources requires special protection.
- ❖ **COLD (Cold Freshwater Habitat)** includes uses of water that support cold water ecosystems including, but not limited to, preservation or enhancement of aquatic habitats, vegetation, fish or wildlife, including invertebrates.
- ❖ **COMM (Commercial and Sport Fishing)** includes the uses of water for commercial or recreational collection of fish, shellfish, or other organisms including, but not limited to, uses involving organisms intended for human consumption or bait purposes.
- ❖ **GWR (Ground Water Recharge)** includes uses of water for natural or artificial recharge of ground water for purposes of future extraction, maintenance of water quality, or halting of saltwater intrusion into freshwater aquifers.
- ❖ **IND (Industrial Service Supply)** includes uses of water for industrial activities that do not depend primarily on water quality including, but not limited to, mining,

cooling water supply, hydraulic conveyance, gravel washing, fire protection, or oil well re-pressurization.

- ❖ **MAR (Marine Habitat)** includes uses of water that support marine ecosystems including, but not limited to, preservation or enhancement of marine habitats, vegetation such as kelp, fish, shellfish, or wildlife (e.g., marine mammals, shorebirds).
- ❖ **MIGR (Migration of Aquatic Organisms)** includes uses of water that support habitats necessary for migration, acclimatization between fresh and salt water, or other temporary activities by aquatic organisms, such as anadromous fish.
- ❖ **NAV (Navigation)** includes uses of water for shipping, travel, or other transportation by private, military, or commercial vessels.
- ❖ **PROC (Industrial Process Supply)** includes uses of water for industrial activities that depend primarily on water quality.
- ❖ **RARE (Rare, Threatened, or Endangered Species)** includes uses of water that support habitats necessary, at least in part, for the survival and successful maintenance of plant or animal species established under state or federal law as rare, threatened, or endangered.
- ❖ **SPWN (Spawning, Reproduction, and/or Early Development)** includes uses of water that support high quality habitats suitable for reproduction, early development and sustenance of marine fish and/or cold freshwater fish.
- ❖ **WILD (Wildlife Habitat)** includes uses of water that support terrestrial ecosystems including, but not limited to, preservation and enhancement of terrestrial habitats, vegetation, wildlife (e.g., mammals, birds, reptiles, amphibians, invertebrates), or wildlife water and food sources.

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APPENDIX D.2

Third Party Data Sources Summary

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San Diego Coastkeeper Data for San Dieguito Watershed

Locations within watershed:

SGT-020, SGT-025, SGT-028 (San Dieguito River Below Lake Hodges)

Conditions:

- With the exception of SGT-028, sites were generally above standard levels of dissolved oxygen. 31% of SGT-028 samples were below DO standards.
- Generally low levels of *E. coli*. All sites monitored had *E. coli* levels above regulatory thresholds for less than 10% of the samples.
- Moderate levels of *Enterococcus*. *Enterococcus* samples exceeded regulatory thresholds for 25-31% of the samples, depending on site.
- Ammonia and Phosphorus levels are generally problematic in this area, with exceedances reaching up to 64% of the samples exceeding ammonia thresholds at SGT-020 and 74% of samples exceeding phosphorus thresholds at SGT-025.

Sources:

No Data

Strategies:

No Data

Document:

CSDM Analytical Data COSB, 2010-2012

Locations within watershed:

Seascape Sur (Coastal Storm Drain Outfall to Coastal Receiving Water in Solana Beach)

Conditions:

- Generally, the outfall water has bacteria levels in exceedance of WQOs but the receiving water does not.

Sources:

No Data

Strategies:

No Data

Document:

City of Escondido JURMP, 2002

Locations within watershed:

Lake Hodges, Felicita Creek, Kit Carson Creek

Conditions:

At the time, proposed additions and modifications to the 303(d) list being circulated by the RWQCB included Felicita Creek as a low priority for total dissolved solids (TDS); Lake Hodges as a low priority for color, nitrogen, phosphorus, and TDS; and Kit Carson Creek as a low priority for TDS. These locations were also deemed environmentally sensitive areas.

Sources:

Potential sources include, but are not limited to, the following: roads, streets, and highways; flood control devices (Escondido Creek); sanitary sewage collection; the MS4; fixed municipal facilities; industrial sites; commercial sites; construction sites; residences; sewage discharges from encampments; groundwater seepage, sediment/vegetation in channels; litter and debris. Note: City of Escondido did not consider local runoff to contribute significantly to the proposed 303(d) listing of Lake Hodges.

Strategies:

Include but are not limited to:

- Review and prioritization of different types of facilities and uses
- Water quality monitoring programs
- Structural and nonstructural BMPs
- Education
- Control and management (i.e. erosion control, materials management)
- Regulation (i.e. Stormwater Management Requirements)
- Investigation and abatement of illicit discharges

Document:

City of Escondido JURMP Annual Report, 2012

Locations within watershed:

Felicita Creek, Lake Hodges, Kit Carson Creek

Conditions:

Fifteen stations were above the nitrate action level (26 percent of all stations sampled), and one station was above the action level for total coliform, fecal coliform and *Enterococcus* (less than 2 percent of all stations sampled).

*Disclaimer- JURMP did not indicate if these stations were within San Dieguito Watershed.

The majority of the city's area within this watershed drains to Felicita and Kit Carson creeks and ultimately Lake Hodges.

Within the San Dieguito Watershed, the following CWA §303(d)-listed waterbodies are located in Escondido and are currently listed as being impaired for the following constituents:

- Felicita Creek: aluminum, TDS
- Lake Hodges: color, manganese, mercury, nitrogen, pH, phosphorus, turbidity
- Kit Carson Creek: pentachlorophenol, TDS

Sources:

Potential sources include, but are not limited to, the following: roads, streets, and highways; sanitary sewage collection; the MS4; industrial sites; commercial sites; construction sites; residences; groundwater seepage; agriculture; current or historical presence of septic systems; wildlife; fixed municipal facilities (including Corporate Yard; power washing; and pesticides, herbicides, and fertilizers.

Strategies:

- Similar to previous JURMP with addition of HMP and new permits (ex. 2010-0014-DWQ)
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Document:

City of Solana Beach JURMP Annual Report, 2012

Locations within watershed:

San Dieguito Lagoon (and its tributary, Stevens Creek) as well as Pacific Shoreline

Conditions:

Elevated bacteria levels at Seascapes Sur

San Dieguito Lagoon (and its tributary, Stevens Creek)- 303(d) listed for Coliform and TDS

Pacific Ocean Shoreline listed for coliform

Sources:

Include, but are not limited to: construction; parking lots, streets and roads; Public Works Yard; industrial facilities (Baker Iron Works); commercial facilities (Beachwalk Business Complex); residences (condominiums).

Strategies:

- Continue implementation of the JURMP to further reduce and eliminate pollutant discharges into the City's MS4 system.
 - Continue to implement the LID, HMP and new SUSMP requirements on priority projects.
 - Continued use of outside consultants to assist with commercial/Industrial facility inspections, dry weather monitoring program, and department-specific specialized staff trainings.
 - Continue updating commercial/industrial inventory as new businesses are established.
 - Continue educating the public about the importance of eliminating storm water runoff from residences, businesses, construction sites, and public facilities.
 - Preparation for new permit requirements.
 - Bacteria specific- BioClean filter in an upstream catch basin above Seascapes Sur outfall
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Document:

Public Input Form from Drew (for Mike Kelly per conversation)

Locations within watershed:

Near Park Village Elementary

Conditions:

No Data

Sources:

No Data

Strategies:

- Restoration/treatment at the City/County owned parcels near Park Village Elementary. Site previously evaluated by MWWDD- call Kelly Balo
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Document:

City of San Diego San Dieguito Bacteria and Nutrients TMDL- Watershed Characterization Study prepared by AMEC, 2011

Locations within watershed:

San Dieguito River south of Lake Hodges, Green Valley Creek, Boden Creek

Conditions:

Table 1-1: Water Bodies on the 2010 State Board Section §303(d) List in San Dieguito River Watershed

Water Body Name	HSA	HSA No.	Constituent
Pacific Ocean Shoreline at San Dieguito Lagoon Mouth	Rancho Santa Fe	905.11	Indicator bacteria
San Dieguito River	Rancho Santa Fe	905.11	Enterococci, fecal coliform, nitrogen, phosphorus, TDS, and toxicity
Green Valley Creek	Del Dios	905.21	Sulfates, chloride, manganese, and pentachlorophenol (PCP)
Lake Hodges	Del Dios	905.21	Color, nitrogen, phosphorus, turbidity, manganese, mercury and pH
Kit Carson Creek	Del Dios	905.21	Total dissolved solids (TDS) and PCP
Felicita Creek	Felicita	905.23	TDS and aluminum
Cloverdale Creek	Highland	905.32	Phosphorus and TDS
Sutherland Reservoir	Sutherland	905.53	Color, manganese, iron, pH and total nitrogen
Santa Ysabel Creek	Sutherland	905.53	Toxicity

HSA = Hydrologic Sub Area
TDS = Total dissolved solids
PCP = Pentachlorophenol
Source: SWRCB, 2010.

Dry weather:

Generally, analytical results were below WQOs. Constituents that exceeded WQOs during dry weather include chloride, sulfate, TDS, total nitrogen, total phosphorus, turbidity, total metals (aluminum, antimony, arsenic, barium, beryllium, boron, cadmium, chromium, iron, manganese, nickel, selenium, and thallium), enterococci, and fecal coliform. Calculated event mean concentration (EMC) results varied across most sites and parameters; however, total metals and total nitrogen were above WQOs at all sites for dry weather events. These results suggest constituent concentrations remained elevated throughout the dry season at all sites.

Wet weather:

Constituents that exceeded water quality objectives during wet weather include nitrite, TDS, total nitrogen, total phosphorus, turbidity, total metals (arsenic, cadmium, chromium, nickel and selenium), enterococci, fecal coliform and total coliform. Calculated EMC results varied across

most sites and parameters; however, total nitrogen, total phosphorus, and total metals were above WQOs at all sites for both wet weather events. This suggests those constituent concentrations remained elevated throughout the storm hydrographs at all sites. Indicator bacteria were above the WQOs at both the mixed land use site, LC-1 (MIXED), and the urbanized site, SDC-TWAS-1 (URBAN). However, indicator bacteria was within the WQO at the reference site, BC-1(REF) during Wet Weather 1, indicating during wet weather, land use may potentially influence bacteria concentrations.

Sources:

Urbanization

Strategies:

- Verify land use characterization
 - Characterize how pollutants vary between wet and dry season.
 - Bioassessment.
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Document:

San Dieguito Watershed Management Plan, input from Consultation Committee

Locations within watershed:

Not specified.

Conditions:

The priority conditions were identified as:

- Nutrients/eutrophication/oxygen depletion
- Silt and Sediment
- Toxicity
- Pathogens in water
- Salinity and dissolved solids
- Litter/trash/debris

Sources:

The priority sources were identified as:

- Increased Development, which could result in an increase in urban stormwater discharges which could contribute nutrients, suspended solids, bacteria, metals, and organics.
- Agricultural and Turf Related Activities which could contribute sediments, nutrients, pesticides, and bacteria

Strategies:

The WMP identifies 6 main programmatic elements in addition to the municipal requirements:

- Reduce hardscape
 - Reduce ongoing discharge impairments
 - Actions to evaluate and implement land-use BMPs
 - Actions to reduce erosion
 - Actions to reduce litter
 - Education
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Document:

City of San Diego Strategic Plan for Watershed Activity Implementation, input from Consultation Committee

Locations within watershed:

Not specified.

Conditions:

The priority conditions were identified as:

- Bacteria
- Nutrients
- Total Dissolved Solids

Sources:

Potential Sources include:

- Eating and Drinking Establishments
- Residential Areas and Activities
- Commercial Landscaping
- Animal Related Facilities
- Golf Courses, Parks, and Recreational Activities
- Municipal Facilities and Activities
- Auto Related Facilities
- Roads, Streets, Highways, and Parking Facilities
- Construction Activities

Strategies:

No data (Strategies identified through 2011 only)

Document:

City of San Diego Public Utilities Department Lake Hodges Watershed Monitoring Data, 2013

Locations within watershed:

The following creeks above Sutherland reservoir

- Bloomdale Creek
- Witch Creek

The following creeks above Lake Hodges

- Temescal Creek
- Sycamore Creek
- Kit Carson Creek
- Del Dios Creek
- Felicita Creek
- Green Valley Creek
- Moonsong Creek
- Santa Maria Creek
- Guejito Creek
- Santa Ysabel Creek
- Cloverdale Creek

Conditions:

No Data

Sources:

No Data

Strategies:

- Collaboration with water agencies to study the Lake Hodges Nutrients issue. Monitoring locations were provided in the attached map.
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Document:

Download SWAMP data from CEDEN website using the following search parameters – San Diego County and SWAMP RWB 9 Monitoring

<http://ceden.waterboards.ca.gov/AdvancedQueryTool>

Locations within watershed:

See red highlighted waterbodies in the table on Page C-14.

Conditions:

SWAMP monitoring data available from CEDEN for Region 9 was reviewed to determine if the data provide additional priority water quality conditions. Many of the programs included 1 -4 sampling events and measured a range of parameters. A majority of the monitoring occurred before the 2005 and 2011 LTEAs that incorporated the most recent regional monitoring data for the region. No additional conditions were selected based on a review of the data.

Sources:

No Data

Strategies:

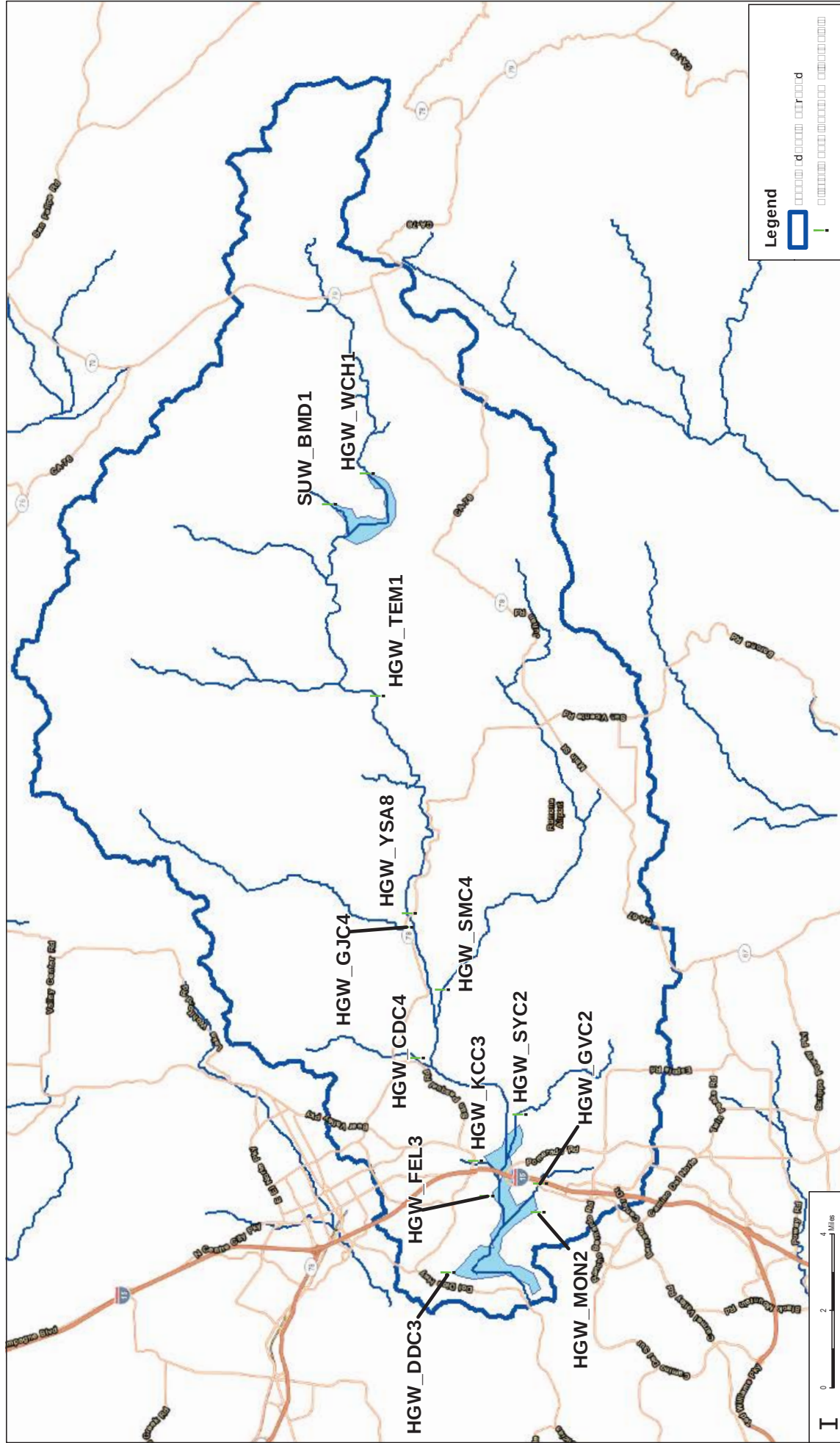
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Project Name from CEDEN	Years	Station Name(s)	Temporal	No. of Sampling Events	Matrix	Summary of General Analyses
Statewide Project Urban Pyrethroid Status Monitoring		Peñasquitos Creek @ Springbrook	dry weather	1	sediment	TOC, % fines, moisture, and pyrethroids
RWB9 Status Sampling 2008	2008	Campo Creek 1, Ironside Creek, Los Peñasquitos Creek 6, Rose Canyon Creek 4	dry weather	1	water, benthic	field measurements, comments noted, velocity, algae, and conventional chemistry
RWB9 Rotational BA Monitoring 2005	2005	Santa Ysabel Creek ~2mi E Hwy 79	dry weather	1	physical	field measurements, velocity, and slope profile
RWB9 Rotational Monitoring 2002	2002	Los Peñasquitos Creek 6, Poway Creek 2, Rose Canyon Creek 4, Soledad Canyon Creek 2, and Soledad Canyon Creek 4	dry weather	1-4	water, sediment	field measurements, conventional chemistry, metals, herbicides, pesticides, and velocity. % fines
RWB9 Rotational Monitoring 2003	2003	Green Valley Creek 2, San Dieguito River 9, Santa Ysabel Creek 1	dry weather	2-4	water, sediment	Field measurements, conventional chemistry, metals, herbicides, pesticides, and velocity. % fines
San Diego Regional Board Fire Study	2005, 2007, 2008, 2009	Black Mountain Creek Upstream of Santa Ysabel Creek, Boden Canyon Creek (BOD), Boden Canyon Creek ~0.5 mile upstream of Santa Ysabel Creek, Chicarita Creek downstream of Evening Creek Road, Green Valley Creek 2, Kit Carson Creek Sunset Drive crossing	dry weather	1-3	water	field measurements and velocity
Statewide Perennial Streams Assessment 2008	2008	Encinitas Creek, Arroyo Trabuco 57, Santa Ysabel Creek	dry weather	1	water, benthic	field measurements, comments noted, velocity, algae, and conventional chemistry
CMAAP Wadeable Streams 2004	2004	Santa Ysabel Creek below Witch Creek	dry weather	2	water	field measurements and velocity

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Project Name from CEDEN	Years	Station Name(s)	Temporal	No. of Sampling Events	Matrix	Summary of General Analyses
Statewide Ref Condition Management Plan 2009	2009	Noble Canyon Creek ~0.8mi above Pine Valley Cr.	dry weather	1	water, benthic	field measurements, conventional chemistry, algae and velocity
Statewide Ref Condition Management Plan 2010	2010	Cedar Creek 2, Japacha Creek above Hwy 79, Spring Canyon Creek ~2.3mi above Hwy 74	dry weather	1	water, benthic	field measurements, conventional chemistry, algae and velocity
Statewide Ref Condition Management Plan 2008	2008	Arroyo Trabuco	dry weather	1	water, benthic	field measurements, conventional chemistry, algae and velocity
Statewide Ref Condition Management Plan 2011	2011	Cold Spring Canyon above Devil Cyn Creek, Devils Canyon Creek above San Mateo Cyn. Creek, Juaquapin Creek above Sweetwater River, Kitchen Creek at Kitchen Creek Road, Troy Canyon Creek (TCC2), Wilson Creek 3	dry weather	1	water, benthic	field measurements, conventional chemistry, algae and velocity
Statewide Ref Condition Mgmt Plan Index Study 2009	2009	Noble Canyon Creek ~0.8mi above Pine Valley Cr.	dry weather	2	water, benthic	field measurements, conventional chemistry, algae and velocity
Statewide Ref Condition Mgmt Plan Index Study 2010	2010	Cedar Creek 2	dry weather	4	water, benthic	field measurements, conventional chemistry, algae and velocity
Statewide Stream Pollution Trends Study 2008	2008, 2009, 2010	Agua Hedionda Creek 6, Escondido Creek at Camino del Norte, Forrester Creek 2, Los Peñasquitos Creek 6, San Diego River at Ward Road, San Dieguito River 9 , San Juan Creek 9, Santa Margarita at Basilone Rd, Soledad Canyon Creek 4, Tijuana River at Hollister Rd	dry weather	1	sediment	Organics, PCBs, Pyrethroids, Pesticides, Semi-volatile Organic Carbons, metals

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APPENDIX D.3

Persistent Flow Outfall Summary

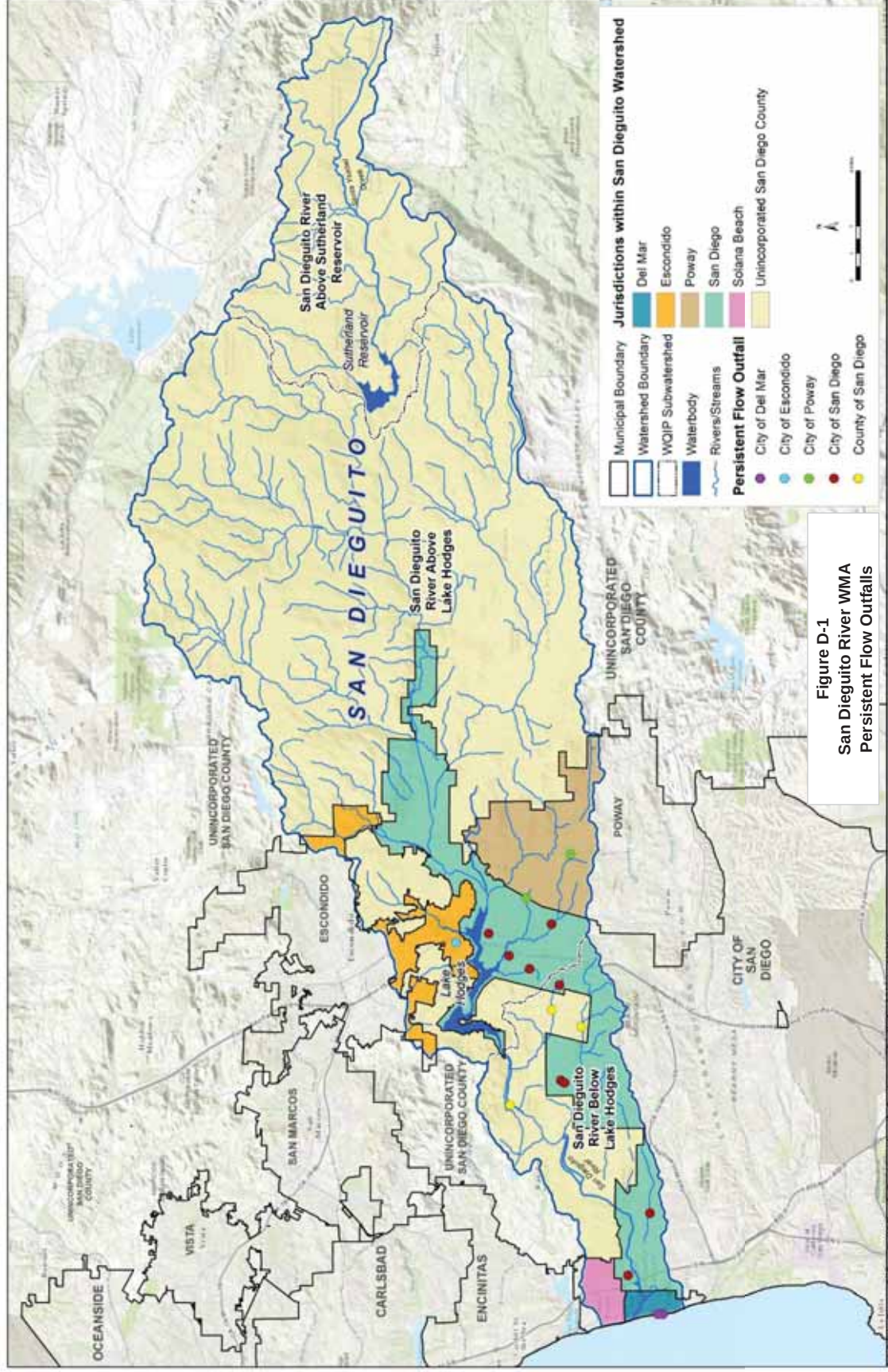
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Persistent Flow Outfalls

Jurisdiction ²	Subwatershed	Site ID	Latitude	Longitude	Land Use
City of San Diego ³	San Dieguito River Above Lake Hodges	DW0001	33.05223	-117.06648	Residential
		DW0005	33.04143	-117.07826	Residential
		DW0317	33.03057	-117.08524	Residential
		DW0689	33.01889	-117.06148	Residential
	San Dieguito River Below Lake Hodges	DW0033	32.97831	-117.24773	Residential/Open Space
		DW0284	32.96657	-117.21472	Residential/Open Space
		DW0332	33.01393	-117.14438	Residential
		DW0333	33.0119	-117.14565	Residential
		DW0636	33.01472	-117.09381	Industrial/Commercial
		DW0759	33.99998	-117.08625	Residential
County of San Diego	San Dieguito River Below Lake Hodges	SDG-074	33.01878	-117.10689	Industrial
		SDG-080	33.00303	-117.11605	Residential
		SDG-115	33.04092	-117.15749	Rural Residential
City of Del Mar	San Dieguito River Below Lake Hodges	S-06	32.95992	-117.26825	Commercial, Residential & Parks
		S-07	32.96245	-117.26829	Commercial & Residential
City of Escondido	San Dieguito River Above Lake Hodges	HDG_102	33.06951	-117.07135	Freeway/Road/Transportation
City of Poway	San Dieguito River Above Lake Hodges	54	33.00880	-117.02430	Open Space/Parks
		140	33.03204	-117.04781	Open Space/Parks

1. This list of persistent flow outfalls is current based on 2014 dry weather monitoring data.
2. No persistent flow outfalls have been identified in the City of Solana Beach. Low flow diverters have been installed in all previously identified persistent flow outfalls.
3. Identified land uses for the City of San Diego include all land uses comprising more than 30% of upstream drainage area.

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APPENDIX D.4

Public Input from Water Quality Improvement Plan Workshop

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Water Quality Improvement Plan Workshop
San Dieguito Watershed
September 5, 2013
6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

Public Input

Priority Water Quality Conditions

- Manganese in Lake Hodges, bromides
- Dissolved oxygen in Lake Hodges
- Priorities based on human health conditions
- Nutrients, ammonia, bacteria below Lake Hodges, N&P
- Mosquitoes, vector control
- Nutrients in Lake Hodges. Limits use for water supply and costs to treat this problem
- Stagnant water
- Mercury in Lake Hodges

Sources

- Sewer discharges/septic
- San Pasqual Valley/Safari Park
- Agricultural
- Lots of urban landscaping and impervious surfaces
- Car washing
- Brownfield runoff
- Groundwater contamination
- Fertilizer

Potential Water Quality Strategies

- Fertilizer management
- Public education campaigns about fertilizers and other contaminants
- Integration of smaller and regional BMPs
- Focus on larger projects – more cost efficiency
- Constructed wetlands
- Vegetated swales, different scalp, different locations
- Detention basins
- Catch basin approaches for existing development that captures urban drool and first flush



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- En-lieu fee/alternative compliance
- More pervious surfaces for parking lots
- Community gardens
- Hypo - oxygen cycling in late ____?
- Landscape retrofitting at homes
- Optimize street sweeping before rainy season
- Enforce parking restrictions for sweeping
- Vegetated and retention facilities in habitat preservation areas
- Effective social change/marketing
- Pet waste retrieval and delivery – quirky English program
- Education on off road impacts to water quality
- Restoration/treatment at City/County owned parcels near Park Village Elementary. Site was previously evaluated by MWWD

Data

- Water utility data under IDWRM for Lake Hodges
- San Dieguito River Park modeling for nutrients
- Grant apps under IRWM (strategy)
- UCSD “Oasis” project for water quality monitoring at Salton Sea
- Satellite photography/R.E. photography, Arial photo bank.

APPENDIX E

Receiving Water Condition and Urban Runoff Assessment

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Appendix E –Receiving Water Condition and Urban Runoff Assessment

Appendices E.1 and E.2 present an assessment of receiving water conditions and the impact of urban discharges in San Dieguito River WMA during wet and dry weather, respectively. The list of receiving water conditions was developed on the basis of the 2010 303(d) list, applicable TMDLs, waterbodies with special biological significance, public input, and the priority pollutants or stressors identified from current and historical receiving water monitoring data. MS4 monitoring data compiled from the LTEA and WURMP Annual Reports, as well as any applicable TMDL WQBELs, are also evaluated in relation to the receiving water conditions to determine if a priority water quality condition existed.

The tables in Appendices E.1 and E.2 are presented by WQIP Subwatershed and 303(d) listed waterbody. In order to mirror the process used by the Responsible Agencies to assess the potential receiving water conditions for each waterbody, the data are presented in the order they were evaluated. The following is an illustration of how the reader might follow the process used to assess receiving water conditions in an example waterbody (Example Waterbody A):

- ❖ **303(d) Listings (Page E-5, reading left to right)** identifies the WQIP subwatershed, applicable TMDLs, and 303(d) listed waterbody (Example Waterbody A), and then presents the associated pollutants, impaired beneficial uses, and potential sources of impairment for Example Waterbody A as identified under the 2010 303(d) list.
- ❖ **Receiving Water Assessment and Conditions (Page E-6, reading left to right)**
 - **Receiving Water Assessment** identifies the WQIP subwatershed, applicable TMDLs, and 303(d) listed waterbody (Example Waterbody A), and then presents public input submitted in response to the public data call and NPDES receiving water monitoring station data for Example Waterbody A. The receiving water priorities identified were noted as exceeding water quality benchmarks in the 2005-2010 LTEA, the FY 11 & 12 WURMP, or both.
 - **Receiving Water Conditions** summarizes the receiving water conditions identified through the 303(d) listings and receiving water assessment, and states the applicable lines of evidence.
- ❖ **Urban Runoff Monitoring Assessment (Page E-7, reading left to right)** identifies the WQIP subwatershed and 303(d) listed waterbody (Example Waterbody A), and then presents the priority pollutants at the MS4 outfall, based on the Urban Runoff Monitoring Program and identified in the 2005-2010 LTEA and FY 11&12 WURMP Annual Reports, for Example Waterbody A. as well as the applicable WQBELs where appropriate.

Page E-8 then restarts the assessment with an evaluation of 303(d) listings for the next waterbody.

APPENDIX E.1

Wet Weather Receiving Water Condition Assessment

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WQIP Subwatershed	TMDL	303(d) Listed Waterbody	303(d) Listing(s)		
			Pollutant(s)	Impaired Beneficial Use(s)	Potential Source(s)
San Dieguito River Above Lake Hodges	Bacteria TMDL	Cloverdale Creek	Phosphorus	Warm Fresh Water Habitat	Unspecified Non-point Source, Urban Runoff, Unspecified Point Source
			TDS	Agricultural Supply	Unspecified Non-point Source, Urban Runoff, Unspecified Point Source
		Felicitia Creek	Aluminum	Municipal & Domestic Supply	Unknown
			TDS	Municipal & Domestic Supply	Agricultural Return Flows, Flow Regulation/Modification, Unknown Non-point Source, Unknown Point Source, Urban Runoff/Storm Sewers
		Green Valley Creek	Chloride	Municipal & Domestic Supply	Unknown
			Manganese	Municipal & Domestic Supply	Unknown
			PCP	Municipal & Domestic Supply	Unknown
			Sulfates	Municipal & Domestic Supply	Unknown Point Source, Urban Runoff/Storm Sewers, Natural Sources, and Unknown Non-point Sources
		Kit Carson Creek	PCP	Municipal & Domestic Supply	Unknown
			TDS	Municipal & Domestic Supply	Agricultural Return Flows, Flow Regulation/Modification, Unknown Non-point Source, Unknown Point Source, Urban Runoff/Storm Sewers

WQIP Subwatershed	TMDL	303(d) Listed Waterbody	Receiving Water Assessment				Receiving Water Conditions	
			Public Input	NPDES Receiving Water		FY 11 & 12 WURMP	Receiving Water Conditions	Line(s) of Evidence
				Applicable Receiving Water Station(s)	2005-2010 LTEA			
San Diegoito River Above Lake Hodges	Bacteria TMDL	Cloverdale Creek	No Input	SDC-TWAS-1, SDC-TWAS-2	Chlorpyrifos, Bifenthrin, BOD, COD, TSS, Turbidity, pH, Ammonia as N, Surfactants (MBAS), Toxicity (<i>H. azteca</i> acute), Fecal Coliform, Total P, Nitrate as N, TDS	Toxicity (S. <i>capricornutum</i> acute), Very Poor IBI, Fecal Coliform, <i>Enterococcus</i> , Total P, Dissolved P, TDS	Phosphorus not included because impact to WARM during wet weather is unknown. Phosphorus will be listed as contributing to impairment of WARM during dry weather.	
							TDS not included because impact to AGR during wet weather is unknown. TDS will be listed as contributing to impairment of AGR during dry weather.	
		Felicita Creek	No Input				Impairment of MUN due to aluminum in Felicita Creek during wet weather.	303(d)
							TDS not included because impact to MUN during wet weather is unknown. TDS will be listed as contributing to impairment of MUN during dry weather.	
		Green Valley Creek	No Input				Impairment of MUN due to chloride, manganese, and PCP in Green Valley Creek during wet weather.	303(d)
							Sulfates not included because impact to MUN during wet weather is unknown. Sulfates are listed as contributing to impairment of MUN during dry weather.	
		Kit Carson Creek	No Input				Impairment of MUN due to PCP in Kit Carson Creek during wet weather	303(d) (MS4 program does not monitor for PCP)
							TDS is not included because impact to MUN during wet weather is unknown. TDS will be listed as contributing to impairment of MUN during dry weather.	

WQIP Subwatershed	TMDL	303(d) Listed Waterbody	Urban Runoff Monitoring Assessment		
			MS4 Outfall and Dry Weather Monitoring Program	TMDL(s)	
			2005-2010 LTEA	FY 11 & 12 WURMP	
San Dieguito River Above Lake Hodges	Bacteria TMDL	Cloverdale Creek			<i>Enterococcus</i> , Fecal Coliform (Order No. R9-2013-0001; Attachment E.6)
		Felicita Creek			
		Green Valley Creek		Fecal Coliform, TDS	
		Kit Carson Creek		TSS, Fecal Coliform	

WQIP Subwatershed	TMDL	303(d) Listed Waterbody	303(d) Listing(s)		
			Pollutant(s)	Impaired Beneficial Use(s)	Potential Source(s)
San Dieguito River Above Lake Hodges	Bacteria TMDL	Lake Hodges	Color	Municipal & Domestic Supply	Unknown Non-point Source, Unknown Point Source, Urban Runoff/Storm Sewers
			Manganese	Municipal & Domestic Supply	Unknown
			pH	Municipal & Domestic Supply	Unknown
			Mercury	Municipal & Domestic Supply, Commercial/Recreational Collection of Fish, Shellfish, or Organisms	Unknown
			Nitrogen	Municipal & Domestic Supply	Agriculture, Dairies, Unknown Non-point Source, Unknown Point Source, Urban Runoff/Storm Sewers
			Phosphorus	Municipal & Domestic Supply	Agriculture, Dairies, Unknown Non-point Source, Unknown Point Source, Urban Runoff/Storm Sewers
			Turbidity	Municipal & Domestic Supply	Unknown
			NA	NA	NA

WQIP Subwatershed	TMDL	303(d) Listed Waterbody	Receiving Water Assessment				Receiving Water Conditions	
			Public Input	NPDES Receiving Water			Receiving Water Conditions	Line(s) of Evidence
				Applicable Receiving Water Station(s)	2005-2010 LTEA	FY 11 & 12 WURMP		
San Dieguito River Above Lake Hodges	Bacteria TMDL	Lake Hodges	No Input	SDC-TWAS-1, SDC-TWAS-2	Chlorpyrifos, Bifenthrin, BOD, COD, TSS, Turbidity, pH, Ammonia as N, Surfactants (MBAS), Toxicity (<i>H. azteca</i> acute), Fecal Coliform, Total P, Nitrate as N, TDS	Toxicity (<i>S. capricornutum</i> acute), Very Poor IBI, Fecal Coliform, <i>Enterococcus</i> , Total P, Dissolved P, TDS	Impairment of MUN due to color, manganese, pH, and mercury in Lake Hodges during wet weather	303(d) (MS4 program does not monitor for manganese, pH, color, or mercury)
							Nitrogen and phosphorus not included because impacts to WARM during wet weather are unknown. Nitrogen and phosphorus will be listed as contributing to impairment of WARM during dry weather.	
							Impairment of MUN due to turbidity in Lake Hodges during wet weather	303(d) and historical data
							Exceedance of fecal coliform WQO at NPDES RW station during wet weather	RW monitoring data (historical and current) and Bacteria TMDL

WQIP Subwatershed	TMDL	303(d) Listed Waterbody	Urban Runoff Monitoring Assessment		
			MS4 Outfall and Dry Weather Monitoring Program	TMDL(s)	
			2005-2010 LTEA	FY 11 & 12 WURMP	WQBELs
San Dieguito River Above Lake Hodges	Bacteria TMDL	Lake Hodges		Fecal Coliform, TDS	<i>Enterococcus</i> , Fecal Coliform (Order No. R9-2013-0001; Attachment E.6)
				TSS, Fecal Coliform	

WQIP Subwatershed	TMDL	303(d) Listed Waterbody	303(d) Listing(s)		
			Pollutant(s)	Impaired Beneficial Use(s)	Potential Source(s)
San Dieguito River Above Sutherland Reservoir	Bacteria TMDL	Santa Ysabel Creek (Above Sutherland Reservoir)	Toxicity	Warm Fresh Water Habitat	Unknown Non-point Source
		Sutherland Reservoir	Color	Municipal & Domestic Supply	Unspecified Non-point Source, Urban Runoff, Unspecified Point Source
			Iron	Municipal & Domestic Supply	Unknown
			Manganese	Municipal & Domestic Supply	Unknown
			pH	Municipal & Domestic Supply	Unknown
			Total Nitrogen as N	Warm Freshwater Habitat	Natural, Unknown, and Unknown Point Sources

WQIP Subwatershed	TMDL	303(d) Listed Waterbody	Receiving Water Assessment				Receiving Water Conditions	
			Public Input	NPDES Receiving Water			Receiving Water Conditions	Line(s) of Evidence
				Applicable Receiving Water Station(s)	2005-2010 LTEA	FY 11 & 12 WURMP		
San Dieguito River Above Sutherland Reservoir	Bacteria TMDL	Santa Ysabel Creek (Above Sutherland Reservoir)	No Input	NA	NA	NA	Impairment of WARM due to toxicity in Santa Ysabel Creek during wet weather	303(d)
		Sutherland Reservoir					Impairment of MUN due to color, iron, manganese, and pH in Sutherland Reservoir during wet weather	303(d)
							Total nitrogen not included because impact to WARM during wet weather is unknown. Total nitrogen will be listed as contributing to impairment of WARM during dry weather.	

WQIP Subwatershed	TMDL	303(d) Listed Waterbody	Urban Runoff Monitoring Assessment		
			MS4 Outfall and Dry Weather Monitoring Program	TMDL(s)	
			2005-2010 LTEA	FY 11 & 12 WURMP	WQBELS
San Dieguito River Above Sutherland Reservoir	Bacteria TMDL	Santa Ysabel Creek (Above Sutherland Reservoir)	NA	NA	<i>Enterococcus</i> , Fecal Coliform (Order No. R9-2013-0001; Attachment E.6)
		Sutherland Reservoir			

WQIP Subwatershed	TMDL	303(d) Listed Waterbody	303(d) Listing(s)		
			Pollutant(s)	Impaired Beneficial Use(s)	Potential Source(s)
San Dieguito River Below Lake Hodges	Bacteria TMDL	San Dieguito River	<i>Enterococcus</i>	Water Contact Recreation	Unspecified Non-point Source, Urban Runoff, Unspecified Point Source
			Fecal coliform	Water Contact Recreation	Unspecified Non-point Source, Urban Runoff, Unspecified Point Source
			Nitrogen	Warm Freshwater Habitat	Unspecified Non-point Source, Urban Runoff, Unspecified Point Source
			Phosphorus	Warm Freshwater Habitat	Unspecified Non-point Source, Urban Runoff, Unspecified Point Source
			TDS	Warm Freshwater Habitat	Unspecified Non-point Source, Unspecified Point Source
			Toxicity	Warm Freshwater Habitat	Unknown

WQIP Subwatershed	TMDL	303(d) Listed Waterbody	Receiving Water Assessment				Receiving Water Conditions	
			Public Input	NPDES Receiving Water			Receiving Water Conditions	Line(s) of Evidence
				Applicable Receiving Water Station(s)	2005-2010 LTEA	FY 11 & 12 WURMP		
San Dieguito River Below Lake Hodges	Bacteria TMDL	San Dieguito River	No Input	MLS (Below Lake Hodges)	TSS, Turbidity, Bifenthrin, Toxicity (C. dubia reproduction, S. capricornutum acute), Fecal Coliform, TDS	Toxicity (C. dubia reproduction), Very Poor IBI, Fecal Coliform, TDS	Impairment of REC-1 due to <i>Enterococcus</i> and fecal coliform in San Dieguito River during wet weather	303(d) and RW monitoring data (historical & current), and Bacteria TMDL
							Nitrogen and phosphorus not included because impact to WARM during wet weather is unknown. Nitrogen and phosphorus will be listed as contributing to impairment of WARM during dry weather.	
							TDS not included because impact to WARM during wet weather is unknown. TDS will be listed as contributing to impairment of WARM during dry weather.	
							Impairment of WARM due to toxicity in San Dieguito River during wet weather	303(d) and RW monitoring data (historical & current)

WQIP Subwatershed	TMDL	303(d) Listed Waterbody	Urban Runoff Monitoring Assessment		
			MS4 Outfall and Dry Weather Monitoring Program	TMDL(s)	WQBELs
			2005-2010 LTEA	FY 11 & 12 WURMP	
San Dieguito River Below Lake Hodges	Bacteria TMDL	San Dieguito River	Fecal Coliform	Fecal Coliform	<i>Enterococcus</i> , Fecal Coliform (Order No. R9-2013-0001; Attachment E.6)

WQIP Subwatershed	TMDL	303(d) Listed Waterbody	303(d) Listing(s)		
			Pollutant(s)	Impaired Beneficial Use(s)	Potential Source(s)
San Dieguito River Below Lake Hodges	Bacteria TMDL	Pacific Ocean Shoreline, San Dieguito HU, at San Dieguito Lagoon Mouth at San Dieguito River Beach	Indicator Bacteria	Water Contact Recreation	Unknown Non-point Source, Urban Runoff, Unknown Point Source
		Pacific Ocean Shoreline, San Dieguito HU, at San Dieguito Lagoon Mouth	Total Coliform	Shellfish Harvesting	Unspecified Non-point Source, Urban Runoff, Unspecified Point Source

WQIP Subwatershed	TMDL	303(d) Listed Waterbody	Receiving Water Assessment				Receiving Water Conditions	
			Public Input	NPDES Receiving Water			Receiving Water Conditions	Line(s) of Evidence
				Applicable Receiving Water Station(s)	2005-2010 LTEA	FY 11 & 12 WURMP		
San Dieguito River Below Lake Hodges	Bacteria TMDL	Pacific Ocean Shoreline, San Dieguito HU, at San Dieguito Lagoon Mouth at San Dieguito River Beach	No Input	MLS (Below Lake Hodges)	TSS, Turbidity, Bifenthrin, Toxicity (C. dubia reproduction, S. capricornutum acute), Fecal Coliform, TDS	Toxicity (C. dubia reproduction), Very Poor IBI, Fecal Coliform, TDS	Impairment of REC-1 due to indicator bacteria at the Pacific Ocean Shoreline during wet weather	Bacteria TMDL
		Pacific Ocean Shoreline, San Dieguito HU, at San Dieguito Lagoon Mouth	No Input				Impairment of SHELL due to total coliform at the Pacific Ocean Shoreline during dry weather.	303(d)

WQIP Subwatershed	TMDL	303(d) Listed Waterbody	Urban Runoff Monitoring Assessment		
			MS4 Outfall and Dry Weather Monitoring Program		TMDL(s)
			2005-2010 LTEA	FY 11 & 12 WURMP	WQBELS
San Dieguito River Below Lake Hodges	Bacteria TMDL	Pacific Ocean Shoreline, San Dieguito HU, at San Dieguito Lagoon Mouth at San Dieguito River Beach	Fecal Coliform	Fecal Coliform	<i>Enterococcus</i> , Fecal Coliform, Total Coliform (Order No. R9-2013-0001; Attachment E.6)
		Pacific Ocean Shoreline, San Dieguito HU, at San Dieguito Lagoon Mouth			

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APPENDIX E.2

Dry Weather Receiving Water Condition Assessment

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WQIP Sub-watershed	TMDL	303(d) Listed Water-body	303(d) Listings		
			Pollutant(s)	Impaired Beneficial Use(s)	Potential Source(s)
San Dieguito River Above Lake Hodges	Bacteria TMDL	Cloverdale Creek	Phosphorus	Warm Fresh Water Habitat	Unspecified Non-point Source, Urban Runoff, Unspecified Point Source
			TDS	Agricultural Supply	Unspecified Non-point Source, Urban Runoff, Unspecified Point Source
		Felicitia Creek	Aluminum	Municipal & Domestic Supply	Unknown
			TDS	Municipal & Domestic Supply	Agricultural Return Flows, Flow Regulation/Modification, Unknown Non-point Source, Unknown Point Source, Urban Runoff/Storm Sewers
			Chloride	Municipal & Domestic Supply	Unknown
		Green Valley Creek	Manganese	Municipal & Domestic Supply	Unknown
			PCP	Municipal & Domestic Supply	Unknown
			Sulfates	Municipal & Domestic Supply	Unknown Point Source, Urban Runoff/Storm Sewers, Natural Sources, and Unknown Non-point Sources
			PCP	Municipal & Domestic Supply	Unknown
		Kit Carson Creek	TDS	Municipal & Domestic Supply	Agricultural Return Flows, Flow Regulation/Modification, Unknown Non-point Source, Unknown Point Source, Urban Runoff/Storm Sewers

WQIP Sub-watershed	TMDL	303(d) Listed Water-body	Receiving Water Assessment					Receiving Water Conditions		
			Public Input	NPDES Receiving Water			SMC Program		Receiving Water Conditions	Line(s) of Evidence
				Applicable Receiving Water Station(s)	2005-2010 LTEA	FY 11 & 12 WURMP	2005-2010 LTEA	FY 11 & 12 WURMP		
San Dieguito River Above Lake Hodges	Bacteria TMDL	Cloverdale Creek	No Input	SDC-TWAS1, SDC-TWAS-2	BOD, TSS, Turbidity, Surfactants (MBAS), Toxicity (C. dubia), Very Poor IBI, O/E, Enterococcus, Total N, Benthic Algae, Total P	Toxicity (S. capricornutum acute, C. dubia reproduction), Very Poor IBI, Enterococcus, Total P, Dissolved P, TDS	No Data	Sulfates, Poor IBI, Total N, Total P, TDS	Impairment of WARM due to eutrophication (phosphorus) in Cloverdale Creek during dry weather.	303(d) and RW monitoring data (historical & current)
									Impairment of AGR due to TDS in Cloverdale Creek during dry weather.	303(d) and RW monitoring data (historical & current)
		Felicita Creek	No Input						Impairment of MUN due to aluminum in Felicita Creek during dry weather.	303(d)
									Impairment of MUN due to TDS in Felicita Creek during dry weather.	303(d) and RW monitoring data (historical & current)
		Green Valley Creek	No Input						Impairment of MUN due to chloride, manganese, and PCP in Green Valley Creek during dry weather.	303(d)
									Impairment of MUN due to sulfates in Green Valley Creek during dry weather.	303(d) and RW monitoring data (historical & current)
		Kit Carson Creek	No Input						Impairment of MUN due to PCP in Kit Carson Creek during dry weather.	303(d) (MS4 program does not monitor for PCP)
									Impairment of MUN due to TDS in Kit Carson Creek during dry weather.	303(d) and RW monitoring data (historical & current)

WQIP Sub-watershed	TMDL	303(d) Listed Water-body	Urban Runoff Monitoring Assessment ^(a)		
			MS4 Outfall and Dry Weather Monitoring Program		TMDL(s)
			2005-2010 LTEA	FY 11 & 12 WURMP	WQBELs
San Dieguito River Above Lake Hodges	Bacteria TMDL	Cloverdale Creek	Chloride, Sulfates, <i>Enterococcus</i> , Fecal Coliform, Total N, Total P, TDS	Chloride, Sulfates, <i>Enterococcus</i> , Fecal Coliform, Total N, Total P, Dissolved P, TDS	<i>Enterococcus</i> , Fecal Coliform (Order No. R9-2013-0001; Attachment E.6)
		Felicita Creek			
		Green Valley Creek			
		Kit Carson Creek			

303(d) Listings				
WQIP Sub-watershed	TMDL	303(d) Listed Water-body	Pollutant(s)	Impaired Beneficial Use(s)
San Dieguito River Above Lake Hodges	Bacteria TMDL	Lake Hodges	Color	Unknown Non-point Source, Unknown Point Source, Urban Runoff/Storm Sewers
			Manganese	Unknown
			pH	Unknown
			Mercury	Unknown
			Nitrogen	Agriculture, Dairies, Unknown Non-point Source, Unknown Point Source, Urban Runoff/Storm Sewers
			Phosphorus	Agriculture, Dairies, Unknown Non-point Source, Unknown Point Source, Urban Runoff/Storm Sewers
			Turbidity	Unknown
			NA	NA

WQIP Sub-watershed	TMDL	303(d) Listed Water-body	Receiving Water Assessment					Receiving Water Conditions	
			Public Input	NPDES Receiving Water			SMC Program		Receiving Water Conditions
				Applicable Receiving Water Station(s)	2005-2010 LTEA	FY 11 & 12 WURMP	2005-2010 LTEA	FY 11 & 12 WURMP	
San Dieguito River Above Lake Hodges	Bacteria TMDL	Lake Hodges	No Input	SDC-TWAS1, SDC-TWAS-2	BOD, TSS, Turbidity, Surfactants (MBAS), Toxicity (C. dubia), Very Poor IBI, O/E, Enterococcus, Total N, Benthic Algae, Total P	Toxicity (S. capricornutum acute, C. dubia reproduction), Very Poor IBI, Enterococcus, Total P, Dissolved P, TDS	No Data	Sulfates, Poor IBI, Total N, Total P, TDS	Impairment of MUN due to color, manganese, pH, and mercury in Lake Hodges during dry weather.
									303(d) (MS4 program does not monitor for manganese, pH, color, or mercury)
									Impairment of MUN due to eutrophication (nitrogen and phosphorus) in Lake Hodges during dry weather.
									303(d) and RW monitoring data (historical & current)
									303(d) and historical data
									Elevated <i>Enterococcus</i> levels at the NPDES RW station during dry weather.
									RW monitoring data (historical and current)
									Poor IBI at the NPDES RW station during dry weather.
									Toxicity to <i>C. dubia</i> at the NPDES RW station during dry weather.
									RW monitoring data (historical and current)

WQIP Sub-watershed	TMDL	303(d) Listed Water-body	Urban Runoff Monitoring Assessment ^(a)		
			MS4 Outfall and Dry Weather Monitoring Program		TMDL(s)
			2005-2010 LTEA	FY 11 & 12 WURMP	WQBELs
San Dieguito River Above Lake Hodges	Bacteria TMDL	Lake Hodges	Chloride, Sulfates, <i>Enterococcus</i> , Fecal Coliform, Total N, Total P, TDS	Chloride, Sulfates, <i>Enterococcus</i> , Fecal Coliform, Total N, Total P, Dissolved P, TDS	<i>Enterococcus</i> , Fecal Coliform (Order No. R9-2013-0001; Attachment E.6)

303(d) Listings				
WQIP Sub-watershed	TMDL	303(d) Listed Water-body	Pollutant(s)	Impaired Beneficial Use(s)
San Dieguito River Above Sutherland Reservoir	Bacteria TMDL	Santa Ysabel Creek (Above Sutherland Reservoir)	Toxicity	Unknown Non-point Source
			Color	Unspecified Non-point Source, Urban Runoff, Unspecified Point Source
		Sutherland Reservoir	Iron	Unknown
			Manganese	Unknown
			pH	Unknown
			Total Nitrogen as N	Natural, Unknown, and Unknown Point Sources

WQIP Sub-watershed	TMDL	303(d) Listed Water-body	Receiving Water Assessment					Receiving Water Conditions						
			Public Input	NPDES Receiving Water			SMC Program		Receiving Water Conditions	Line(s) of Evidence				
				Applicable Receiving Water Station(s)	2005-2010 LTEA	FY 11 & 12 WURMP	2005-2010 LTEA	FY 11 & 12 WURMP						
San Dieguito River Above Sutherland Reservoir	Bacteria TMDL	Santa Ysabel Creek (Above Sutherland Reservoir)	No Input	NA	NA	NA	NA	Impairment of WARM due to toxicity in Santa Ysabel Creek during dry weather.	303(d)					
		Sutherland Reservoir	No Input											
								Impairment of MUN due to color, iron, manganese, and pH in Sutherland Reservoir during dry weather.	303(d)					
								Impairment of WARM due to eutrophication (total nitrogen) in Sutherland Reservoir during dry weather.	303(d)					

Urban Runoff Monitoring Assessment ^(a)					
WQIP Sub-watershed	TMDL	303(d) Listed Water-body	MS4 Outfall and Dry Weather Monitoring Program		TMDL(s)
			2005-2010 LTEA	FY 11 & 12 WURMP	WQBELs
San Dieguito River Above Sutherland Reservoir	Bacteria TMDL	Santa Ysabel Creek (Above Sutherland Reservoir)	NA	NA	Enterococcus , Fecal Coliform (Order No. R9-2013-0001 ; Attachment E.6)
		Sutherland Reservoir			

WQIP Sub-watershed	TMDL	303(d) Listed Water-body	303(d) Listings		
			Pollutant(s)	Impaired Beneficial Use(s)	Potential Source(s)
San Dieguito River Below Lake Hodges	Bacteria TMDL	San Dieguito River	<i>Enterococcus</i>	Water Contact Recreation	Unspecified Non-point Source, Urban Runoff, Unspecified Point Source
			Fecal Coliform	Water Contact Recreation	Unspecified Non-point Source, Urban Runoff, Unspecified Point Source
			Nitrogen	Warm Freshwater Habitat	Unspecified Non-point Source, Urban Runoff, Unspecified Point Source
			Phosphorus	Warm Freshwater Habitat	Unspecified Non-point Source, Urban Runoff, Unspecified Point Source
			TDS	Warm Freshwater Habitat	Unspecified Non-point Source, Unspecified Point Source
			Toxicity	Warm Freshwater Habitat	Unknown

WQIP Sub-watershed	TMDL	303(d) Listed Water-body	Receiving Water Assessment				Receiving Water Conditions			
			Public Input	NPDES Receiving Water			SMC Program		Receiving Water Conditions	Line(s) of Evidence
				Applicable Receiving Water Station(s)	2005-2010 LTEA	FY 11 & 12 WURMP	2005-2010 LTEA	FY 11 & 12 WURMP		
San Diegoito River Below Lake Hodges	Bacteria TMDL	San Diegoito River	Ammonia	MLS (Below Lake Hodges)	BOD, Toxicity (S. capricornutum acute), Poor IBI, O/E, Enterococcus , Fecal Coliform, Total N, Benthic Algae, TDS	Toxicity (C. dubia), Very Poor IBI, Enterococcus , Total N, Total P, Dissolved P, TDS	Chloride, Sulfates, TSS, Very Poor IBI, O/E, Total N, Benthic Algae, TDS	NA	Impairment of REC-1 due to <i>Enterococcus</i> in San Diegoito River during dry weather	303(d) and RW monitoring data (historical & current), and Bacteria TMDL
									Impairment of REC-1 due to fecal coliform in San Diegoito River during dry weather.	303(d) and RW monitoring data (historical), and Bacteria TMDL
									Impairment of unknown conditions due to eutrophication (ammonia)	Public Input
									Impairment of WARM due to nitrogen and phosphorus in San Diegoito River during dry weather.	303(d)
									Impairment of WARM due to TDS in San Diegoito River during dry weather.	303(d) and RW monitoring data (historical & current)
									Impairment of WARM due to toxicity in San Diegoito River during dry weather.	303(d) and RW monitoring data (historical & current)

Urban Runoff Monitoring Assessment ^(a)					
WQIP Sub-watershed	TMDL	303(d) Listed Water-body	MS4 Outfall and Dry Weather Monitoring Program		
			2005-2010 LTEA	FY 11 & 12 WURMP	TMDL(s)
					WQBELs
San Dieguito River Below Lake Hodges	Bacteria TMDL	San Dieguito River	<i>Enterococcus</i> , Total P, Total N, TDS	Chloride, Sulfates, <i>Enterococcus</i> , Fecal Coliform, Total N, Total P, Dissolved P, TDS	<i>Enterococcus</i> , Fecal Coliform (Order No. R9-2013-0001; Attachment E.6)

WQIP Sub-watershed	TMDL	303(d) Listed Water-body	303(d) Listings		
			Pollutant(s)	Impaired Beneficial Use(s)	Potential Source(s)
San Dieguito River Below Lake Hodges	Bacteria TMDL	Pacific Ocean Shoreline, San Dieguito HU, at San Dieguito Lagoon Mouth at San Dieguito River Beach	Indicator Bacteria	Water Contact Recreation	Unspecified Non-point Source, Urban Runoff, Unspecified Point Source
		Pacific Ocean Shoreline, San Dieguito HU, at San Dieguito Lagoon Mouth	Total Coliform	Shellfish Harvesting	Unspecified Non-point Source, Urban Runoff, Unspecified Point Source

WQIP Sub-watershed	TMDL	303(d) Listed Water-body	Receiving Water Assessment					Receiving Water Conditions		
			Public Input	NPDES Receiving Water			SMC Program		Receiving Water Conditions	Line(s) of Evidence
				Applicable Receiving Water Station(s)	2005-2010 LTEA	FY 11 & 12 WURMP	2005-2010 LTEA	FY 11 & 12 WURMP		
San Dieguito River Below Lake Hodges	Bacteria TMDL	Pacific Ocean Shoreline, San Dieguito HU, at San Dieguito Lagoon Mouth at San Dieguito River Beach	No Input	BOD, Toxicity-S. capricornutum acute, Poor IBI, O/E, Enterococcus, Fecal Coliform, Total N, Benthic Algae, TDS	Toxicity-C. dubia, Very Poor IBI, Enterococcus, Total N, Total P, Dissolved P, TDS	Chloride, Sulfate, TSS, Very Poor IBI, O/E, Total N, Benthic Algae, TDS	NA	Impairment of REC-1 due to indicator bacteria at the Pacific Ocean Shoreline during dry weather.	Bacteria TMDL	
		Pacific Ocean Shoreline, San Dieguito HU, at San Dieguito Lagoon Mouth	No Input					Impairment of SHELL due to total coliform at the Pacific Ocean Shoreline during dry weather.		303(d)

Urban Runoff Monitoring Assessment ^(a)					
WQIP Sub-watershed	TMDL	303(d) Listed Water-body	MS4 Outfall and Dry Weather Monitoring Program		TMDL(s)
			2005-2010 LTEA	FY 11 & 12 WURMP	WQBELS
San Dieguito River Below Lake Hodges	Bacteria TMDL	Pacific Ocean Shoreline, San Dieguito HU, at San Dieguito Lagoon Mouth at San Dieguito River Beach	Enterococcus , Total P, Total N, TDS	Chloride, Sulfates, Enterococcus , Fecal Coliform, Total N, Total P, Dissolved P, TDS	Enterococcus , Fecal Coliform, Total Coliform (Order No. R9-2013-0001; Attachment E.6)
		Pacific Ocean Shoreline, San Dieguito HU, at San Dieguito Lagoon Mouth			
^(a) No MS4 Outfall and Dry Weather Monitoring Program provided in the FY 11 & 12 WURMP.					

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APPENDIX F

Receiving Water Conditions, Potential Impacts of MS4 Discharges, and Priority Water Quality Conditions in the San Dieguito River WMA

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This appendix contains details of the analysis of receiving water conditions (Section 2.1), impacts from MS4 discharges (Section 2.2), and the factors that were evaluated to develop the final list of priority water quality conditions and high priority water quality conditions. The information is presented in three tables, which are described below.

Table F-1: Receiving Water Conditions and Potential Impacts of MS4 Discharges in the San Dieguito River WMA

Table F-1 presents all identified receiving water conditions in the San Dieguito River WMA and the potential impacts of the MS4 discharges. These conditions were identified as described in Sections 2.1 and 2.2 based on the considerations detailed in the table. These include:

- Available receiving water data (current or historic) or regulatory drivers that support the condition. A check mark in the table indicates that samples have exceeded water quality objectives or the 2010 303(d) list or a TMDL identifies the waterbody as impaired. Where possible, the data were divided by temporal extent (wet- or dry-weather).
- Available current or historic MS4 monitoring data indicating that the MS4 potentially causes or contributes to the condition. A check mark indicates that samples collected from the MS4 during wet- or dry-weather have exceeded water quality objectives. MS4 data from the subwatershed was typically used for this consideration; data for MS4 discharges directly to the receiving water body in question are rarely available.
- Identification of the MS4 as a source of the condition in the 2010 303(d) list or a TMDL.
- The factors that led to the determination that the condition exists and was therefore included in the table.

Table F-2: Priority Water Quality Conditions in the San Dieguito River WMA Subwatersheds

Table F-2 presents the following information for each priority water quality condition per the MS4 Permit (Provision B.2.b):

- The beneficial use impairment(s) associated with the priority water quality condition;
- The pollutant or stressor causing the beneficial use impairment, if known;
- The temporal extent of the priority water quality condition (dry and/or wet weather);

- The geographical extent of the priority water quality condition within the WMA, if known (based on the extent of the associated 303(d) listing or the location of the associated NPDES monitoring location);
- Lines of evidence leading to identification as a priority water quality condition, including evidence of MS4 discharges that may cause or contribute to the condition; and
- An assessment of the adequacy of the monitoring data to characterize the factors causing or contributing to the priority water quality condition, including consideration of spatial and temporal variation.

The table also lists the Responsible Agencies that potentially contribute to the condition. The contents of this table were determined by the assessment of the receiving water conditions and the MS4 impacts (presented in Table F-1).

Table F-3: Evaluation of Priority Water Quality Conditions in the San Dieguito River WMA

As described in Section 2.3, priority water quality conditions that were identified based on the methodology presented in Appendix A. The remaining priority water quality conditions were evaluated based on several factors to determine if they warranted elevation to high priority water quality conditions for this iteration of the Water Quality Improvement Plan. Table F-3 summarizes this evaluation. The priority water quality condition must meet all of the following criteria to be considered a high priority water quality condition:

- Supporting data are sufficient to characterize the receiving water condition. To be sufficient, multiple samples collected under quality controlled monitoring must have exceeded water quality objectives.
- Storm water or non-stormwater runoff is a predominant source. Samples or observations collected under quality controlled monitoring programs must indicate that MS4 discharges are a predominant source of the receiving water condition.
- Controllable by Responsible Agencies. The pollutant or stressor must be within the authority of the Responsible Agency to control. To be considered controllable, there must be a clear link between the MS4 contribution and the receiving water condition, and the potential strategies to address the condition must be applicable to the geographic extent of the condition.
- Cannot be addressed by strategies identified for other high priority water quality conditions. The condition was not elevated to a high priority water quality condition if strategies identified for other high priority water quality conditions are expected to address the condition.

Table F-1
Receiving Water Conditions and Potential Impacts of MS4 Discharges in the San Diego River WMA

Subwatershed	Waterbody	Condition	Receiving Water Data or Regulatory Drivers Support Consideration as a Receiving Water Condition		Determining Factor(s) For Receiving Water Data	MS4 Monitoring Data Indicates Potential MS4 Impact		MS4 Listed As Source on 303(d) or TMDL	Elevated to Priority Water Quality Condition?
			Wet	Dry		Wet	Dry		
San Diego River Above Sutherland Reservoir	Santa Ysabel Creek (Above Sutherland Reservoir)	Impairment of WARM due to toxicity	✓	✓	2010 303(d)	–	–	–	No: Toxicity cannot be identified as a priority water quality condition because the full impact of all environmental contributions including the MS4 have not been characterized.
		Impairment of MUN due to color	✓	✓	2010 303(d)	–	–	Wet, Dry	Yes
	Sutherland Reservoir	Impairment of MUN due iron, manganese, and pH	✓	✓	2010 303(d)	–	–	–	No: Iron not assessed under previous MS4 Permit. Manganese and pH were not elevated to a MS4 outfall priority by LTEA or WRMP.
		Impairment of WARM due to eutrophication ¹ (nitrogen)	– ¹	✓	2010 303(d)	–	–	–	No: No MS4 data, and based on best professional judgment MS4 impacts on eutrophic conditions are not quantifiable.
Cloverdale Creek	Cloverdale Creek	Impairment of WARM due to eutrophication ¹ (phosphorus)	– ¹	✓	2010 303(d) and historical and current monitoring data	–	✓	Dry	Yes
		Impairment of AGR due to TDS ¹	– ¹	✓	2010 303(d) and historical and current monitoring data	–	✓	Dry	Yes
	Green Valley Creek	Impairment of MUN due to chloride	✓	✓	2010 303(d)	✓	✓	–	Yes
		Impairment of MUN due manganese and PCP	✓	✓	2010 303(d)	–	–	–	No: PCP not assessed under previous MS4 Permit. Manganese was not elevated to a MS4 outfall priority by LTEA or WRMP
San Diego River Above Lake Hodges	Kit Carson Creek	Impairment of MUN due to sulfate	–	✓	2010 303(d) and historical and current monitoring data	–	✓	Dry	Yes
		Impairment of MUN due to PCP	✓	✓	2010 303(d)	–	–	–	No: PCP not assessed under previous MS4 Permit.
	Felicitia Creek	Impairment of MUN due to TDS ¹	– ¹	✓	2010 303(d) and historical and current monitoring data	–	✓	–	Yes
		Impairment of MUN due to aluminum	✓	✓	2010 303(d)	–	–	–	No: Aluminum not assessed under previous MS4 Permit
Near the NPDES Monitoring Stations	Near the NPDES Monitoring Stations	Impairment of MUN due to TDS ¹	– ¹	✓	2010 303(d) and historical and current monitoring data	–	✓	Dry	Yes
		Fecal coliform exceedance at the NPDES receiving water (RW) stations	✓	–	Historical and current monitoring data and Bacteria TMDL at Pacific Ocean Shoreline	✓	–	–	Yes
	Near the NPDES Monitoring Stations	Elevated <i>Enterococcus</i> levels at the NPDES RW stations	–	✓	Historical and current monitoring data and Bacteria TMDL at Pacific Ocean Shoreline	–	✓	–	Yes
		Poor IBI scores at the NPDES RW stations	–	✓	Historical and current monitoring data	–	–	–	No: Poor IBI scores cannot be identified as a priority water quality condition because the full impact of all environmental contributions including the MS4 have not been characterized.
		Toxicity to <i>C. dubia</i> at the NPDES RW stations	–	✓	Historical and current monitoring data	–	–	–	No: Toxicity cannot be identified as a priority water quality condition because the full impact of all environmental contributions including the MS4 have not been characterized.

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Subwatershed	Waterbody	Condition	Receiving Water Data or Regulatory Drivers Support Consideration as a Receiving Water Condition		Determining Factor(s) For Receiving Water Data	MS4 Monitoring Data Indicates Potential MS4 Impact		MS4 Listed As Source on 303(d) or TMDL	Elevated to Priority Water Quality Condition?
			Wet	Dry		Wet	Dry		
San Diego River Above Lake Hodges	Lake Hodges	Impairment of MUN due to color	✓	✓	2010 303(d), public input	–	–	Wet, Dry	Yes
		Impairment of MUN due to manganese, pH, and mercury	✓	✓	2010 303(d), public input	–	–	–	No; Manganese and mercury not assessed under previous MS4 Permit. pH was not elevated to a MS4 outfall priority by L TEA or WRMP.
	Lake Hodges	Impairment of MUN due to turbidity	✓	✓	2010 303(d) and historical data	–	–	–	No; no MS4 data to justify designation as priority water quality condition.
San Diego River Below Lake Hodges	San Diego River	Impairment of MUN due to eutrophication ¹ (nitrogen and phosphorus)	– ¹	✓	2010 303(d) and historical, current monitoring data and public input	–	✓	Dry	Yes
		Potential impairment of REC-1 due to <i>Enterococcus</i>	✓	✓	2010 303(d), historical and current monitoring data, and Bacteria TMDL at Shoreline	–	✓	Wet, Dry	Yes
		Potential impairment of REC-1 due to fecal coliform	✓	✓	2010 303(d), historical monitoring data, and Bacteria TMDL at Shoreline	✓	✓	Wet, Dry	Yes
		Impairment of WARM due to toxicity	✓	✓	2010 303(d) and historical and current monitoring data	✓	✓	Wet, Dry	Yes
		Impairment of WARM conditions due to eutrophication (ammonia)	–	✓	2010 303(d) and public input	–	–	–	No; No MS4 data, and based on best professional judgment MS4 impacts on eutrophic conditions are not quantifiable.
		Impairment of WARM due to eutrophication (nitrogen)	–	✓	2010 303(d) and public input	–	✓	Dry	Yes
		Impairment of WARM due to TDS	–	✓	2010 303(d) and historical and current monitoring data	–	✓	–	Yes
Pacific Ocean Shoreline at San Diego Lagoon Mouth at San Diego River Beach ²		Impairment of SHELL due to total coliform	✓	✓	2010 303(d)	–	–	–	No; no MS4 data to justify designation as priority water quality condition.
		Potential impairment of REC-1 due to indicator bacteria (<i>Enterococcus</i> , fecal coliform, and total coliform)	✓	✓	Bacteria TMDL	–	–	Wet, Dry	Yes

1. Only listed as a dry weather condition based on best professional judgment that wet weather impacts are not quantifiable.

2. Fletcher outfall, upstream of these waterbodies, has a low flow diverter that could potentially reduce dry weather discharge.

✓ = Criterion applies to temporal extent. – = Criterion does not apply to temporal extent.

Table F-2
Priority Water Quality Conditions in the San Diego River WMA Subwatersheds

Priority Water Quality Condition (1)	Potential Stressor(s) (2)	Temporal Extent (3)	Geographical Extent (4)	Determining Factors (5)	Data Gaps (6)		Potentially Responsible Agencies					
					RW ¹	MS4 ²	City of Del Mar (DM)	City of Escondido (E)	City of Poway (P)	City of Solana Beach (SB)	City of San Diego (SD)	County of San Diego (CO)
San Diego River Above Sutherland Reservoir												
Impairment of MUN in Sutherland Reservoir	Color	Dry, Wet	2010 303(d) listed segment	Urban runoff/storm sewers listed in 2010 303(d) as source	Y	Y	-	-	-	-	-	✓
San Diego River Above Lake Hodges												
Potential impairment of WARM in Cloverdale Creek	Eutrophic conditions (phosphorus)	Dry	2010 303(d) listed segment	Urban runoff/storm sewers listed in 2010 303(d) as sources; current and historical receiving water monitoring data for downstream waterbodies; historical subwatershed level outfall monitoring data	Y	Y	-	-	-	-	✓	-
Impairment of AGR in Cloverdale Creek	TDS	Dry	2010 303(d) listed segment	Urban runoff/storm sewers listed in 2010 303(d) as sources; current and historical receiving water monitoring data for downstream waterbodies; historical subwatershed level outfall monitoring data	Y	Y	-	-	-	-	✓	-
Impairment of MUN in Green Valley Creek	Chloride	Dry, Wet	2010 303(d) listed segment	Historical subwatershed level outfall monitoring data; current and historical MS4 outfall monitoring data.	Y	Y	-	-	-	-	✓	-

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Priority Water Quality Condition (1)	Potential Stressor(s) (2)	Temporal Extent (3)	Geographical Extent (4)	Determining Factors (5)	Data Gaps (6)		Potentially Responsible Agencies					
						MS4 ²	City of Del Mar (DM)	City of Escondido (E)	City of Poway (P)	City of Solana Beach (SB)	City of San Diego (SD)	County of San Diego (CO)
San Dieguito River Above Lake Hodges												
Impairment of MUN in Green Valley Creek	Sulfates	Dry	2010 303(d) listed segment	Urban runoff/storm sewers and natural sources listed in 2010 303(d) as source; historical SMC receiving water monitoring data (limited); historical subwatershed level outfall monitoring data	Y	Y	-	-	-	-	✓	-
Impairment of MUN in Kit Carson Creek	TDS	Dry	2010 303(d) listed segment	Current and historical receiving water monitoring data for downstream waterbodies; current and historical MS4 outfall monitoring data	Y	Y	-	✓	-	-	✓	✓
Impairment of MUN in Felicita Creek	TDS	Dry	2010 303(d) listed segment	Urban runoff/storm sewers/agricultural return flows/ flow regulation and modification listed in 2010 303(d) as sources; current and historical receiving water monitoring data for downstream waterbodies; historical subwatershed level outfall monitoring data	Y	Y	-	✓	-	-	-	✓
Potential Impairment of REC-1 Above Lake Hodges	Fecal coliform	Wet	Near NPDES monitoring locations	Current and historical receiving water monitoring data for wet weather; subwatershed level outfall monitoring data for wet weather; Bacteria TMDL	N	Y	-	-	✓	✓	-	✓
	Enterococcus	Dry		Current and historical receiving water for dry weather; subwatershed level outfall monitoring data for dry weather; Bacteria TMDL	N	Y	-	-	✓	✓	-	✓

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Priority Water Quality Condition (1)	Potential Stressor(s) (2)	Temporal Extent (3)	Geographical Extent (4)	Determining Factors (5)	Data Gaps (6)		Potentially Responsible Agencies					
					RW ¹	MS4 ²	City of Del Mar (DM)	City of Escondido (E)	City of Poway (P)	City of Solana Beach (SB)	City of San Diego (SD)	County of San Diego (CO)
San Dieguito River Above Lake Hodges												
Impairment of MUN in Lake Hodges	Color	Wet, Dry	2010 303(d) listed segment	Urban runoff/storm sewers listed in 2010 303(d) as source; public input	Y	Y	-	✓	✓	-	✓	✓
	Eutrophic conditions (nitrogen and phosphorus)	Dry	2010 303(d) listed segment	Urban runoff/storm sewers listed in 2010 303(d) as sources; current and historical receiving water monitoring data and historical outfall monitoring data; public input	N	Y	-	✓	✓	-	✓	✓
San Dieguito River Below Lake Hodges												
Potential Impairment of REC-1 in San Dieguito River	Indicator bacteria (<i>Enterococcus</i> and fecal coliform)	Wet, Dry	2010 303(d) listed segment and near NPDES monitoring locations (wet weather only)	Urban runoff 2010 303(d) listed as a potential source; current and historical receiving water monitoring data	N	Y	-	✓	✓	-	✓	✓
Impairment of WARM in San Dieguito River	Toxicity	Wet, Dry	2010 303(d) listed segment and near NPDES monitoring locations (wet weather only)	Urban runoff 2010 303(d) listed as a potential source; current and historical receiving water monitoring data for downstream waterbodies	Y ³	Y ³	-	✓	✓	-	✓	✓
	TDS	Dry	2010 303(d) listed segment		Y ³	Y ³	-	✓	✓	-	✓	✓

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Priority Water Quality Condition (1)	Potential Stressor(s) (2)	Temporal Extent (3)	Geographical Extent (4)	Determining Factors (5)	Data Gaps (6)		Potentially Responsible Agencies					
					RW ¹	MS4 ²	City of Del Mar (DM)	City of Escondido (E)	City of Poway (P)	City of Solana Beach (SB)	City of San Diego (SD)	County of San Diego (CO)
San Dieguito River Below Lake Hodges												
Impairment of WARM in San Dieguito River	Eutrophic conditions (nitrogen)	Dry	2010 303(d) listed segment	2010 303(d) listed as a potential source; Urban runoff public input	Y ³	Y ³	-	✓	✓	-	✓	✓
Potential Impairment of REC-1 at Pacific Ocean Shoreline	Indicator bacteria (<i>Enterococcus</i> and fecal coliform)	Wet over-flow	MS4 discharges	Bacteria TMDL	N	Y	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Potential Impairment of REC-1 at Pacific Ocean Shoreline	Indicator bacteria (<i>Enterococcus</i> and fecal coliform)	Wet, Dry	Pacific Ocean Shoreline at San Dieguito Lagoon Mouth	Bacteria TMDL	N	N	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓

1. Are there gaps in the RW data used to characterize the priority water quality condition? (Y = yes; N = no).
2. Are there gaps in the MS4 data used to characterize the geographical contribution of the MS4 to priority water quality condition? (Y = yes; N = no).
3. The impact of the MS4 is unknown.

DM = City of Del Mar; E = City of Escondido; P = City of Poway; SB = City of Solana Beach; SD = City of San Diego; CO = County of San Diego

Table F-3
Evaluation of Priority Water Quality Conditions in the San Dieguito River WMA

Sub-watershed	Priority Water Quality Condition ¹	Potential Stressor(s)	(a) Supporting Data Is Sufficient to Characterize the Receiving Water Conditions	(b) Storm Water/ Non-Storm Water Runoff Predominant Source	(c) Controllable by Responsible Agencies ²	(d) Cannot Be Addressed by Identified Strategies
San Dieguito River Above Lake Sutherland	Impairment of MUN in Sutherland Reservoir	Color	–	–	–	✓
	Potential impairment of WARM in Cloverdale Creek	Eutrophic conditions (phosphorus)	–	–	–	–
	Impairment of AGR in Cloverdale Creek	Total dissolved solids	–	–	–	–
	Impairment of MUN in Green Valley Creek	Chloride	–	–	–	–
San Dieguito River Above Lake Hodges		Sulfates	–	–	–	–
	Impairment of MUN in Kit Carson Creek	Total dissolved solids	–	–	–	–
	Impairment of MUN in Felicita Creek	Total dissolved solids	–	–	–	–
	Potential Impairment of REC-1 Above Lake Hodges ³	Fecal coliform	✓	–	–	–
		<i>Enterococcus</i>	✓	–	–	–

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Sub-watershed	Priority Water Quality Condition ¹	Potential Stressor(s)	(a) Supporting Data Is Sufficient to Characterize the Receiving Water Conditions	(b) Storm Water/ Non-Storm Water Runoff Predominant Source	(c) Controllable by Responsible Agencies ²	(d) Cannot Be Addressed by Identified Strategies
San Dieguito River Above Lake Hodges	Impairment of MUN in Lake Hodges	Color	–	–	–	–
		Eutrophic conditions (nitrogen and phosphorus)	✓	–	–	–
San Dieguito River Below Lake Hodges	Potential Impairment of REC-1 (in San Dieguito River) ³	Indicator bacteria (<i>Enterococcus</i> and fecal coliform)	✓	–	–	–
		Toxicity	–	–	–	✓
	Impairment of WARM in San Dieguito River	Total dissolved solids	–	–	–	✓
		Eutrophic conditions (nitrogen)	–	–	–	–

“✓” – The criterion is met for the priority water quality condition.

“–” – The criterion is not met for the priority water quality condition.

1. Priorities associated with a TMDL are considered high priority water quality conditions and are not included in this table

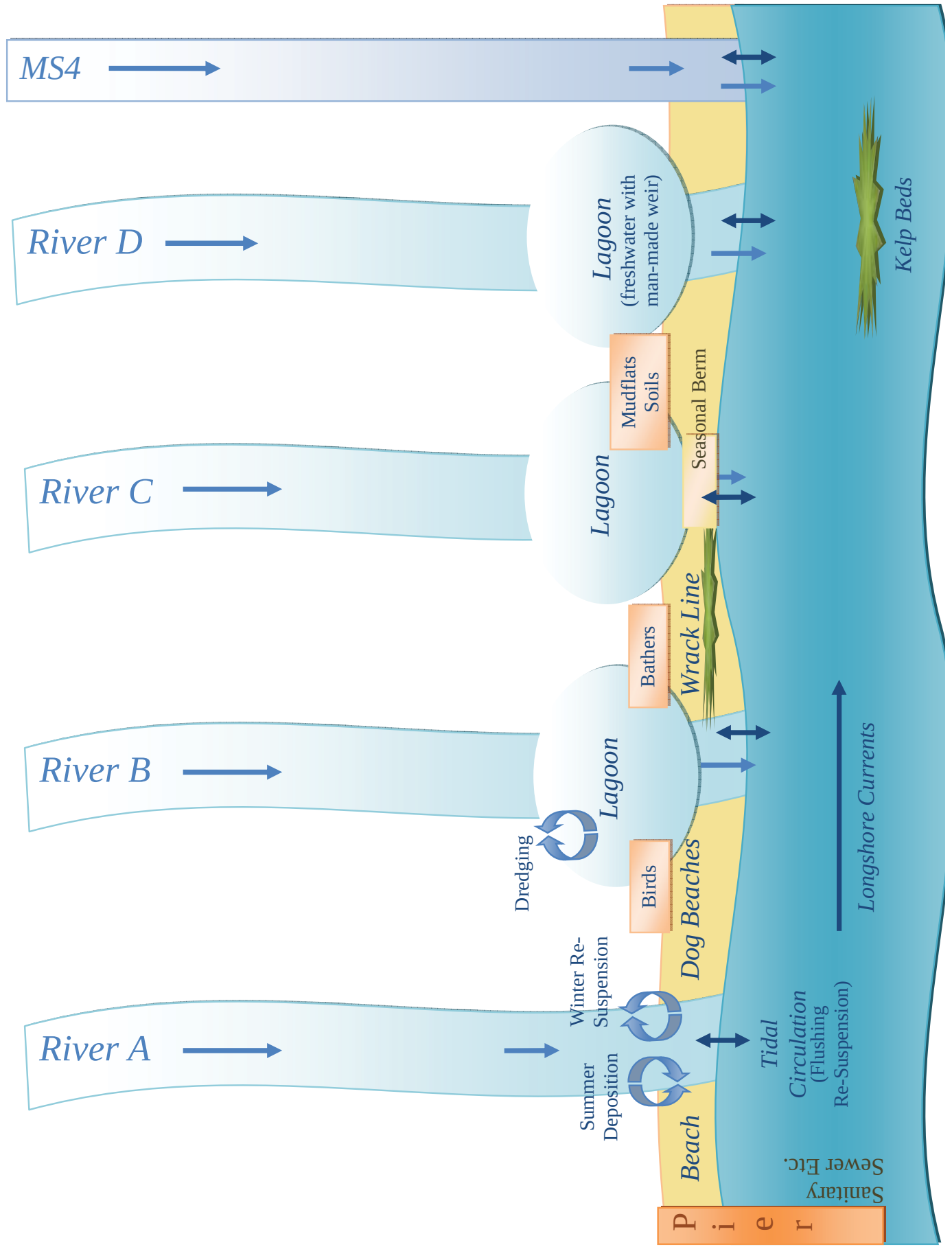
2. The priority water quality condition is considered controllable if two criteria are met: (1) There is a clear link between the MS4 contribution and the receiving water conditions, and (2) The potential strategies that apply to the potential stressor are applicable for the drainage area of the receiving water condition.

3. Bacteria TMDL only applicable at Pacific Ocean Shoreline.

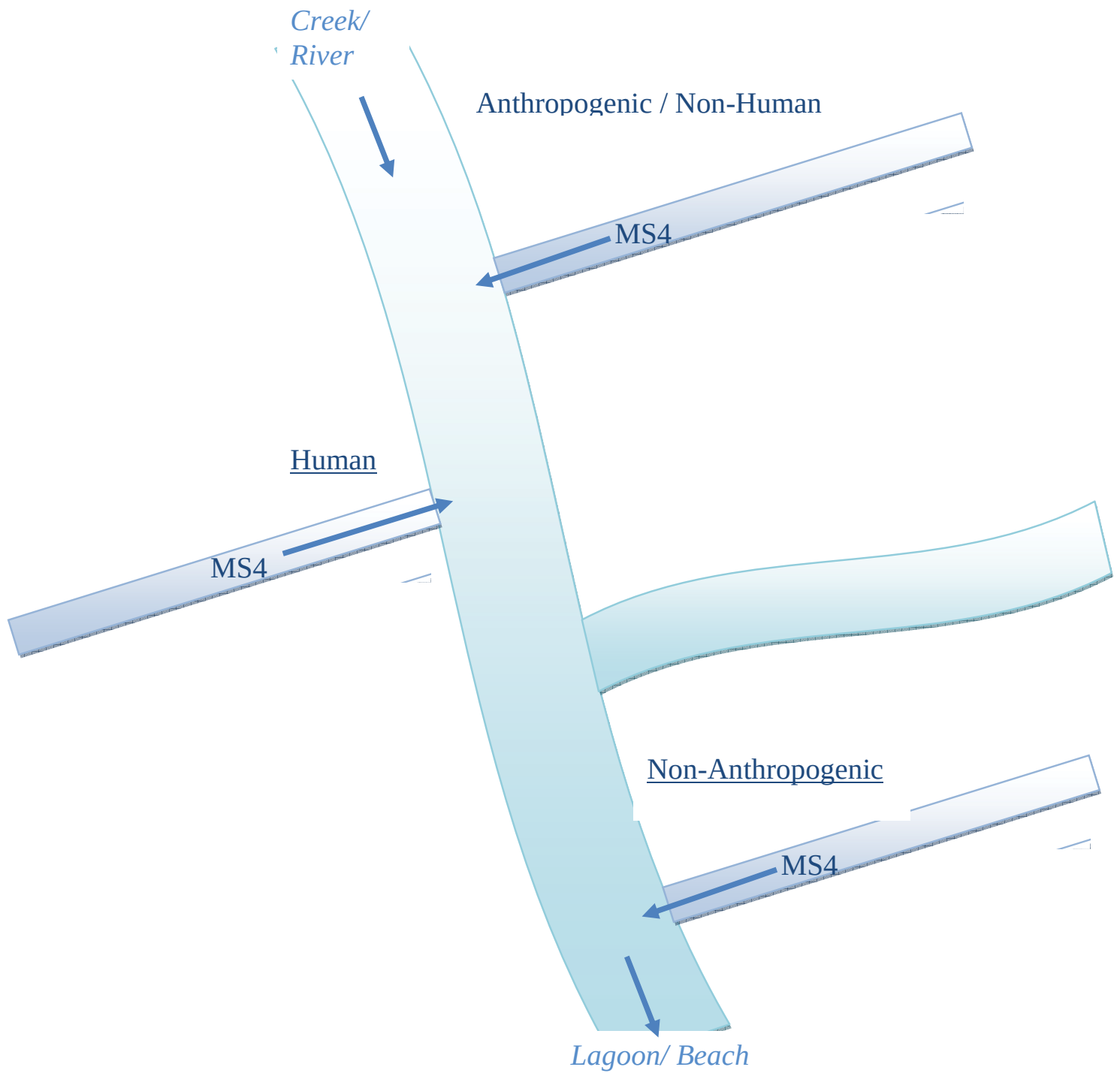
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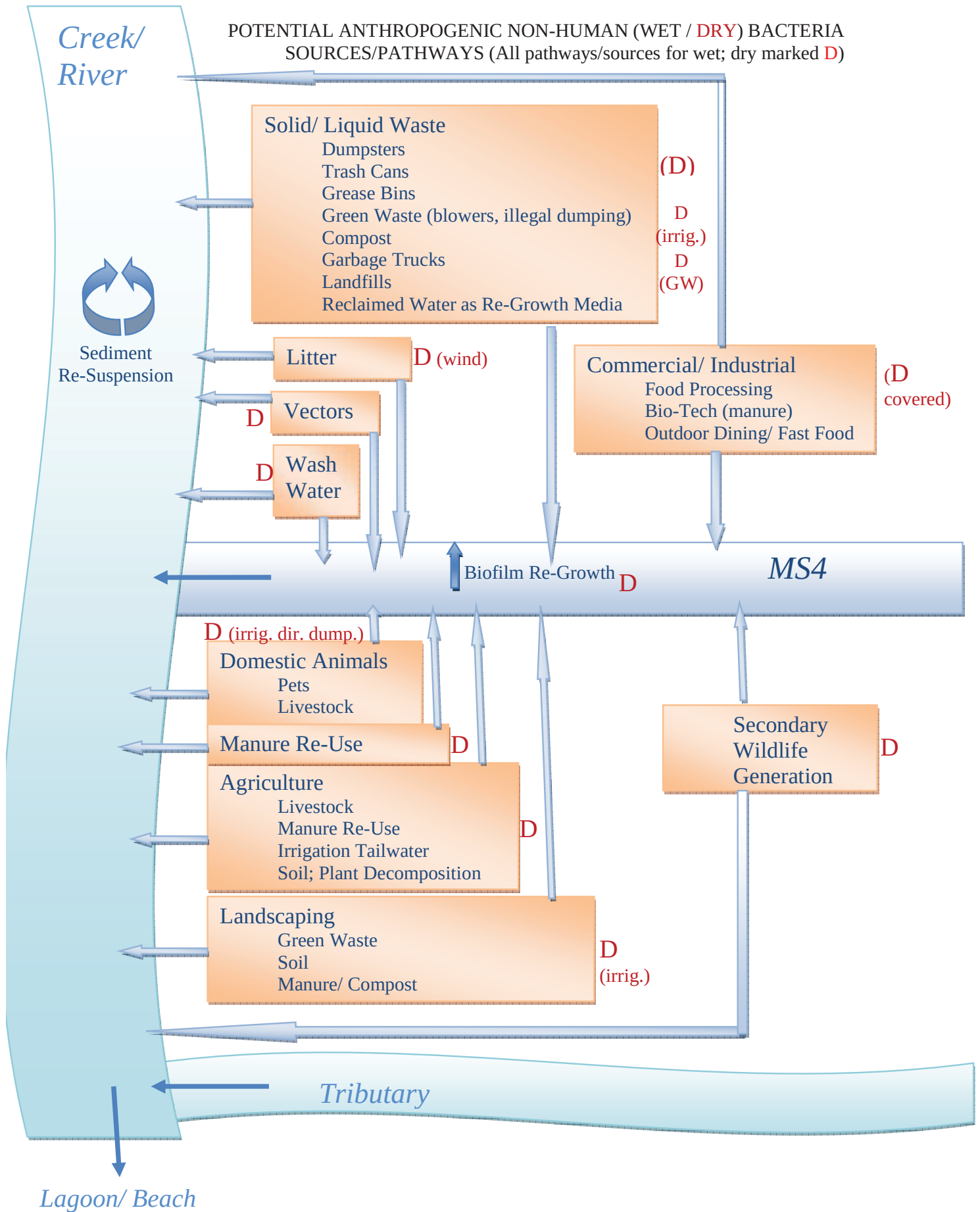
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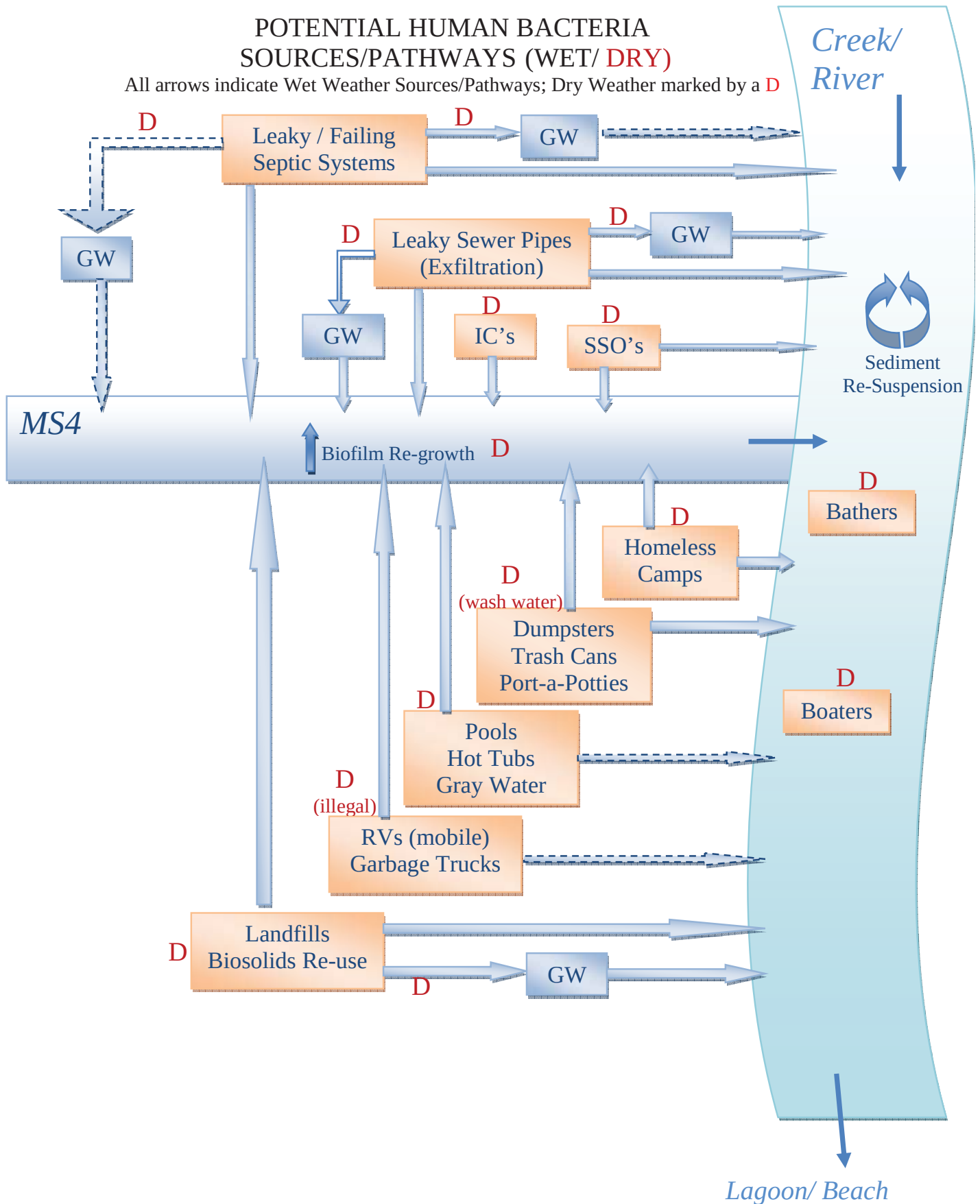
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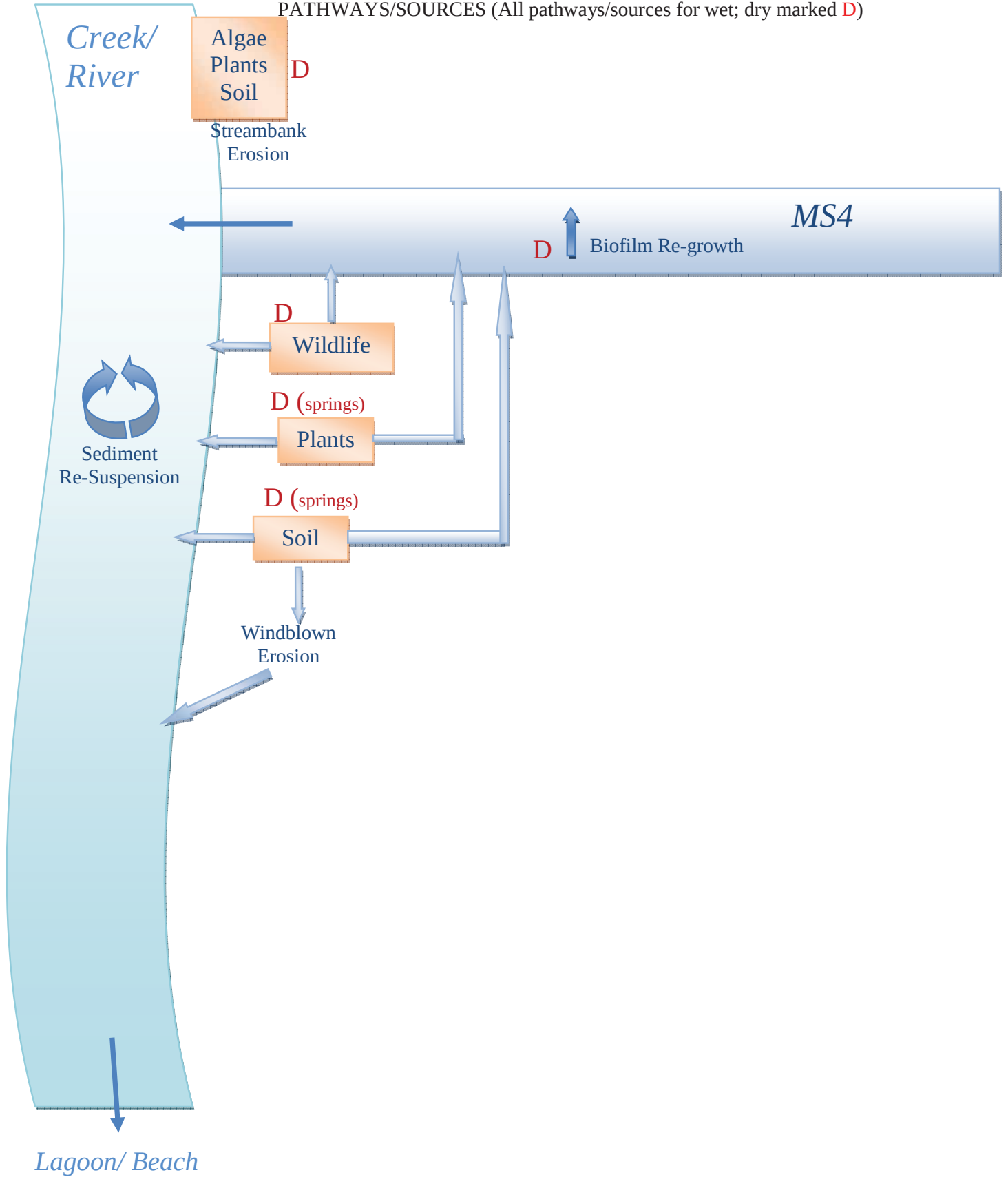


POTENTIAL HUMAN BACTERIA SOURCES/PATHWAYS (WET/ DRY)

All arrows indicate Wet Weather Sources/Pathways; Dry Weather marked by a **D**



POTENTIAL NON-ANTHROPOGENIC WET/ **DRY** BACTERIA
PATHWAYS/SOURCES (All pathways/sources for wet; dry marked **D**)



DRAFT TECHNICAL MEMORANDUM
Summary of Literature Review, Bacteria Source Identification
March 12, 2012

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This Technical Memorandum summarizes work performed under Task 2, Literature Search and Data Review, for the County of San Diego Bacterial Indicators Source Identification Services Project. The work was overseen by a workgroup of San Diego County Stormwater Copermittee representatives, and included communication with scientists who have expertise in bacteria source tracking and identification. The literature review focused on identifying and summarizing studies that quantify sources and sinks for bacterial constituents in urban watersheds, and was international in scope.

The work products delivered for this task include this technical memorandum, a separate spreadsheet summary of each study/report reviewed, and a compilation of reviewed studies/reports on the AMEC ftp site:

<ftp://ftp.mactec.com/Incoming/Copermittee%20Bact%20Lit%20Review/>

The entries in this memorandum are ordered alphabetically by last name of primary author. Each entry begins with the study number (for cross-referencing back to the spreadsheet matrix), followed by the study title. Web links are provided when available.

A number of studies were found that contained information on indicator bacteria but did not include specific information related to source identification within urban watersheds. These studies are summarized as NSC (Not Source Characterization) studies, beginning on p. 53.

The “Bacteria Source ID Lit Review Matrix” Excel workbook contains the following worksheets:

- The “Source ID Studies Summary Table” worksheet contains summaries of all studies reviewed and found to have useful information on bacteria sources; for each of these studies, any identified sources are indicated as Probably, Potential, Low or Suspected (see “Legend” worksheet for definitions)
- The “# Citations by Source” worksheet contains a tally of the numbers of studies with identified information on each source type
- The “Sources Summary Table” worksheet contains condensed summaries of the studies that have information on each particular source type
- The “Data Summary Table” worksheet contains brief summaries of study data (this is a work in progress)
- The “NSC Studies” worksheet provides summaries of the NSC (Not Source Characterization) studies

56 - Human and bovine adenoviruses for the detection of source-specific fecal pollution in coastal waters in Australia

Warish Ahmed, A. Goonetilleke, and T. Gardner

http://eprints.qut.edu.au/37690/1/Human_and_bovine_adenoviruses_for_the_detection_of_source-specific_fecal_pollution_in_coastal_waters_in_Australia.pdf

Purpose - To enhance the scientific foundation for preemptive public health warnings, examine the relationship between rainfall and beach indicator bacteria concentrations using five years of fecal coliform data taken daily at 20 sites in southern California.

Results - There was a clear relationship between the incidence of rainfall and reduction in beach bacterial water quality in Los Angeles County. Bacterial concentrations remained elevated for five days following a storm, although they generally returned to levels below state water quality standards within three days. The length of the antecedent dry period had a minimal effect on this relationship, probably reflecting a quickly developing equilibrium between the decay of older fecal material and the introduction of new fecal material to the landscape.

Sources:

Probable –Septic (human waste), bovine (domestic animals), animal farms (agriculture),

Potential -

Possible -

31 - Evaluation of Multiple Sewage-Associated Bacteroides PCR Markers for Sewage Pollution Tracking

Warish Ahmed, A. Goonetilleke, D. Powell, and T. Gardner

<http://eprints.qut.edu.au/29217/1/c29217.pdf>

Purpose - The host specificity of the five published sewage-associated Bacteroides markers (i.e., HF183, BacHum, HuBac, BacH and Human-Bac) was evaluated in Southeast Queensland, Australia by testing fecal DNA samples (n = 186) from 11 animal species including human fecal samples collected via influent to a sewage treatment plant (STP).

Results - For the 5 sewage-associated markers tested in this study, the HF183 marker performed better than others. This marker showed 99% specificity to distinguish between the sources of human and animal fecal pollution. The performance of the five markers in terms of specificity was HF183 > BacHum > BacH > Human-Bac > HuBac.

78 - Detection and source identification of faecal pollution in non-sewered catchment by means of molecular markers host-specific

Warish Ahmed, D. Powell, A. Goonetilleke, and T. Gardner

<http://s3.amazonaws.com/publicationslist.org/data/w.ahmed/ref-23/WST%20Article.pdf>

Purpose - To validate the previously published host-specific PCR markers (i.e. HF183, HF134, CF128, BacCan and esp) for the detection of sources of faecal pollution by testing a large number of faecal samples from 13 host groups in Southeast Queensland, Australia.

Results - All 197 faecal samples (100%) from the 13 host groups were positive for general Bacteroides. Of the 42 (i.e. 30 sewage and 12 septic samples) sewage/septic samples tested, all were positive for the human-specific HF183 and HF134 Bacteroides markers. The HF183 marker could not be detected in any faecal samples from animal host groups suggesting that the suitability of this marker to detect human faecal pollution. In contrast, the HF134 marker was detected in 7 (35%) samples from dogs. The presence of this marker in dogs could be due to the transfer of faecal bacteria between human and their companion pets (Dick et al. 2005).

79 - Evaluation of Bacteroides markers for the detection of human faecal pollution

Warish Ahmed, J. Stewart, D. Powell, and T. Gardner

<http://onlinelibrary.wiley.com/doi/10.1111/j.1472-765X.2007.02287.x/pdf>

Purpose - Evaluating the specificity and sensitivity of human-specific HF183 and HF134 Bacteroides markers in various host groups and their utility to detect human faecal pollution in storm water samples collected from non-sewered catchments in Southeast Queensland, Australia.

Results - The specificity and sensitivity of the HF183 and HF134 Bacteroides markers was evaluated by testing 207 faecal samples from 13 host groups, including 52 samples from human sources (via sewage and septic tanks). Polymerase chain reaction analysis of these samples revealed the presence/absence of HF183 and HF134 across these host groups, demonstrating their suitability for distinguishing between human and animal faecal pollution. The HF183 marker was found to be more reliable than that of HF134, which was also found in dogs.

35 - Quantitative PCR assay of sewage-associated Bacteroides markers to assess sewage pollution in an urban lake in Dhaka, Bangladesh

Warish Ahmed, R. Yusuf, I. Hasan, A. Goonetilleke, and T. Gardner

http://eprints.qut.edu.au/37689/1/Quantitative_PCR_assay_of_sewage-associated_Bacteroides_markers_to_assess_sewage_pollution_in_an_urban_lake_in_Dhaka,_Bangladesh.pdf

Purpose - To assess the magnitude of sewage pollution in an urban lake in Dhaka, Bangladesh by using Quantitative PCR (qPCR) of sewage-associated Bacteroides HF183 markers.

Results – From the 20 water samples tested, 14 (70%) and 7 (35%) were PCR positive for the HF183 and CF128 markers, respectively. The high numbers of enterococci and the HF183 markers indicate sewage pollution.

Sources:

Probable - Slum-like establishments (human waste), MS4 Infrastructure (human waste),

Potential -

Possible – Dogs and cows

139 - Coastal water quality impact of storm water runoff from an urban watershed in Southern California

Jong Ho Ahn, S.B. Grant, C.Q. Surbeck, P.M. DiGiacomo, N.P. Nezlin, and S. Jiang

ftp://ftp.sccwrp.org/pub/download/DOCUMENTS/TechnicalReports/528_B03_WQ_Appendix_I.pdf

Purpose - Assess the coastal water quality impact of storm water runoff from the Santa Ana River, which drains a large urban watershed located in southern California. This is the first wet weather study to examine the linkage between water quality in the surf zone -- where routine monitoring samples are collected and most human exposure occurs -- and water quality offshore of the surf zone.

Results - Storm water runoff from the Santa Ana River negatively impacts coastal water quality, both in the surf zone and offshore. However, the extent of this impact, and its human health significance, is influenced by numerous factors, including prevailing ocean currents, within-plume processing of particles and pathogens, and the timing, magnitude and nature of runoff discharged from river outlets over the course of a storm.

Sources:

Probable - Slum-like establishments (human waste), MS4 Infrastructure (human waste),

Potential -

Possible – Dogs and cows

17 - Lower San Luis Rey River Bacteria Source Identification Study

AMEC, UNC, City of Oceanside, SCCWRP, and USC

Purpose - The goal of the Project was to identify hot spots of fecal indicator bacteria; identify potential sources and prioritize those sources and locations for future bacteria reductions through management measures.

Results - There is evidence of the human-related bacterial sources throughout the river system. Sediment in the river mouth is a contributing source of fecal bacteria to the water column when the river mouth is closed to tidal exchange. The resident gull population was a probable source of fecal bacteria in the river mouth. Additional, monitoring is needed to identify human sources.

Sources:

Probable - Non-specific source (human waste),

Potential—Gulls (secondary wildlife), soil, sediment and sand (seasonal),

Possible - Sewage infrastructure, mobile sources (human waste), domestic animals

43 - Monitoring and Mitigation to Address Fecal Pathogen Pollution along California Coast

Applied Marine Sciences, Inc., University of California Davis, California Department of Fish and Game, and Marine Wildlife Veterinary Care and Research Center

Purpose - The goals of this research program were to use both laboratory and field approaches to investigate issues related to water quality monitoring and mitigation of fecal pathogen pollution along the central California coast.

Results - The universal Bacteroidales marker was detected in all water samples (100%). The human Bacteroidales marker was detected in 37% of samples, while the cow (8%) and dog (6%) bacteroidales markers were detected in less than 10% of samples. Overall, Bacteroidales concentrations ranged from 87-1.3 million gc/mL for universal markers, 45-17,268 gc/mL for human markers, 3-92 gc/mL for cow markers, and 12-575 gc/mL for dog markers.

Sources:

Probable – Non-specific source (human waste),

Potential - Dogs and livestock,

Possible –

68 - Little Sac River Watershed Bacterial Source Tracking Analysis

Dr. Claire Baffaut, Dr. C.A. Carson, and W. Rogers

<https://mospace.umsystem.edu/xmlui/bitstream/handle/10355/3029/LittleSacBacterial.pdf?sequence=1>

Purpose - To identify the sources of bacteria found in the Little Sac River using rep-PCR analyses of fecal material.

Results - The data show that the highest fecal coliform loads come from unknown sources, geese, and human. Data show that sources differ by season but the magnitude of the contamination is not significantly affected by season.

Sources:

Probable – Wastewater treatment plant, Geese (non-specific source)

Potential – Cattle and horses

Possible – Septic (sewage infrastructure)

117 - SOURCES OF POLLUTANTS IN WISCONSIN STORMWATER

R.T. Bannerman, D.W. Owens, R.B. Dodds, and N.J. Hornewer

<http://citeseerx.ist.psu.edu/viewdoc/download?doi=10.1.1.176.2404&rep=rep1&type=pdf>

Purpose - Identification of critical source areas (streets, roads, parking lots, etc.) could reduce the amount of area needing best-management practices in two areas of Madison, WI. Targeting best-management practices to 14% of the residential area and 40% of the industrial area could significantly reduce contaminant loads by up to 75%.

Results - Streets will probably be a critical source area in every land use. The majority of the runoff loads for many contaminants may be from streets in residential and commercial land uses. Parking lots are probably another critical source for commercial and industrial land uses. About 77% of the area in the commercial land use would have to be managed to control at least 75% of the loads for all contaminants except fecal coliform bacteria.

Sources:

Probable – Sewer outfall, Street runoff (residential, commercial and industrial)

Potential – Cattle and horses
Possible – Septic (sewage infrastructure)

82 - Tiered Approach for Identification of a Human Fecal Pollution Source at a Recreational Beach: Case Study at Avalon Bay, Catalina Island, California

Alexandria B. Boehm, J.A. Fuhrman, R.D. Morse, and S.B. Grant

<http://dornsife.usc.edu/labs/fuhrman/Documents/Publications/Tiered%20Approach.pdf>

Purpose - In this study, a three-tiered approach is used to identify human and nonhuman sources of FIB in Avalon Bay, a popular resort community on Catalina Island in southern California.

Results - Most of the FIB contamination along the shoreline of the City of Avalon is due to sources inside the bay and, in particular, from the land side of the beach. During the 24-h survey, the most contaminated shoreline sites exhibited a semi-diurnal FIB pattern in which the concentrations increased during ebbing tides. The multiple instances of positive HF and HV assay results at shoreline stations indicate that human fecal contamination exists in Avalon Bay. The nuisance runoff and bird feces had the highest levels of FIB with TC, EC, and ENT consistently near or above the upper limit of detection for water samples 24 192 MPN/100 mL. With the exception of sample R101, pipe discharges from underneath the pier and wharf and the cooling water boat discharge had relatively low levels of FIB. Sample R101 was taken from a broken pipe carrying gray water underneath the wharf and had TC and EC levels above our detection limit of 24 192 MPN/100 mL and ENT levels of 10 462 MPN/100 mL, which is 100 times higher than the CDHS single-sample standard. City officials repaired this pipe in early October. Subsurface water collected from within the five trenches had sporadically high levels of FIB.

Sources:

Probable – Non-specific source (urban land use; human waste), MS4 Infrastructure (dry weather runoff; human waste), birds (secondary wildlife), reclaimed water (leaking graywater pipe)

Potential –

Possible – Commercial/Industrial (boat cooling water, pier, and wharf discharges from pipes)

153 - Cross-Shelf Transport at Huntington Beach Implications for the Fate of Sewage Discharged through an Offshore Ocean Outfall

Alexandria B. Boehm, B.F. Sanders, and C.D. Winant

<http://www-ccs.ucsd.edu/~cdw/mypubs/109.pdf>

Purpose - Evaluate the potential for internal tides to transport wastewater effluent from the Orange County Sanitation District (OCSD) ocean outfall toward Huntington Beach.

Results - On the basis of these analyses, it remains unclear whether OCSD effluent impairs surf-zone water quality. However, OCSD plume cannot be ruled out as a contributor to poor bathing-water quality at Huntington Beach.

131 - Source Tracking in Lake Darling Watershed

Janice Boekhoff

<http://www.igsb.uiowa.edu/wqm/Publications/Reports/LakeDarlingFinalReport.pdf>

Purpose - Determine the source of fecal contamination in Lake Darling and the surrounding watershed.

Results - *E. coli* bacteria from most of the water samples at Lake Darling have been identified by DNA ribotyping as coming from unknown sources of fecal contamination (75% of the water samples had bacteria from unknown sources using the WHU library). More unknown source classifications than known sources suggested the *E. coli* isolate library was either not large enough or was not representative of all of the sources in the watershed.

Sources:

Probable – Secondary wildlife (cattle and swine), Wildlife (unknown)

Potential –

Possible – Commercial/Industrial (boat cooling water, pier, and wharf discharges from pipes)

83 - Detection of Genetic Markers of Fecal Indicator Bacteria in Lake Michigan and Determination of Their Relationship to Escherichia coli Densities Using Standard Microbiological Methods

Patricia A. Bower, C.O. Scopel, E.T. Jensen, M.M. Depas, and S.L. McLellan

<http://aem.asm.org/content/71/12/8305.full.pdf+html>

Purpose - Lake Michigan surface waters impacted by fecal pollution were assessed to determine the occurrence of genetic markers for *Bacteroides* and *Escherichia coli*.

Results - Human-specific *Bacteroides* spp. were found at three of the nine beach sites tested. Human-specific *Bacteroides* genetic marker is a sensitive measure of sewage contamination. Sanitary sewage overflow samples taken in the suburban part of the watershed showed the presence of cow-specific genetic marker, since the cow-specific primers do not differentiate between types of ruminants, i.e., elk, deer, and cows.

Sources:

Probable – CSO and SSO (Sewage infrastructure; human waste)

Potential – Sanitary sewer infiltration into the storm drain (Sewage infrastructure; human waste), Ruminant (wildlife; non-anthropogenic)

Possible – Sanitary sewer infiltration into the storm drain (Sewage infrastructure; human waste)

27 – Antibiotic Resistance Analysis of Fecal Coliforms to Determine Fecal Pollution Sources in a Mixed-Use Watershed

Brian S. Burnes

<http://www.springerlink.com/content/q3213338g1578x88/fulltext.pdf>

Purpose - Antibiotic resistance analysis was performed on fecal coliform (FC) bacteria from a mixed-use watershed to determine the source, human or nonhuman, of fecal coliform contamination.

Results - Human sources contribute a majority (>50%) of the baseflow FC isolates found in the watershed in urbanized areas. Chicken and livestock sources are responsible for the majority of the baseflow FC isolates found in the rural reaches of the watershed. Stormwater introduces FC isolates from domestic (~16%) and wild (~21%) sources throughout the watershed and varying amounts (up to 60%) from chicken and livestock sources. These results suggest that antibiotic resistance patterns of FC may be used to determine sources of fecal contamination and aid in the direction of water quality improvement.

Sources:

Probable – Urbanized watershed (human waste), cows and chickens (rural watershed)

Potential – Stormwater runoff,

Possible –

13 - Results from a Microbial Source-Tracking Study at Villa Angela Beach, Cleveland, Ohio 2007

Rebecca N. Bushon, E.A. Stelzer, and D.M. Stoeckel

Purpose - The overall goal of the study was to provide NEORSD with source-tracking information to aid in their understanding of elevated bacterial concentrations at Villa Angela Beach in Cleveland Ohio. To understand these elevation concentrations, 13 source samples (influent/effluent to sewage treatment plant, waterfowl feces from beach area, combined sewer overflow, stormwater outfall) and 33 beach-area water and sand samples were analyzed for E coli and 3 Bacteroides DNA markers

Results - Therefore, Btheta does not appear to be a useful human-associated marker for this beach area. In the Lake, human source is not a likely contributor of fecal bacteria, however, the gulls are a probable source. In Euclid Creek, there were strong signals of human sources on two occasions and gulls were not present. The sand did not have human sources present and gull sources were present in low concentrations.

Sources:

Probable -

Potential - Combined sewer overflow, influent/effluent to sewage treatment plant, waterfowl feces from beach area,

Possible -

85 - Population structure, persistence, and seasonality of autochthonous Escherichia coli in temperate, coastal forest soil from a Great Lakes watershed

Muruleedhara N. Byappanahalli, R.L. Whitman, D.A. Shively, M.J. Sadowsky, and S. Ishii

http://www.glsc.usgs.gov/_files/publications/population.pdf

Purpose - In this study, undisturbed, forest soils within six randomly selected 0.5 m enclosure plots (covered by netting of 2.3 mm mesh size) were monitored from March to October 2003 for *E. coli* in order to describe its numerical and population characteristics.

Results - In this study, soil was found as a potential habitat for the persistent, perhaps resident, *E. coli* populations in temperate conditions. While our studies showed that *E. coli* can occur in temperate forest soils, albeit at low densities, it also had the ability to persist for extended periods in these habitats, suggesting that it is not a transient organism in soil but perhaps part of the natural microflora. Even if this is not the case, its population resiliency suggests that soil-borne *E. coli* should be treated as background concentration in source and impact evaluation investigations.

Sources:

Probable – Soil/Sediment/Sand (non-anthropogenic)

Potential –

Possible – Gull, deer, geese, terns (wrackline; non-anthropogenic)

84 - Ubiquity and Persistence of *Escherichia coli* in a Midwestern Coastal Stream

Muruleedhara Byappanahalli, M. Fowler, D. Shively, and R. Whitman.

<http://aem.asm.org/content/69/8/4549.full.pdf+html>

Purpose - Dunes Creek, a small Lake Michigan coastal stream that drains sandy aquifers and wetlands of Indiana Dunes, has chronically elevated *Escherichia coli* levels along the bathing beach near its outfall. This study sought to understand the sources of chronically elevated *Escherichia coli* levels along the bathing beach near its outfall in Dunes Creek's central branch.

Results - Water samples analyzed during the 1999 and 2000 monitoring seasons clearly demonstrated that *E. coli* concentrations in Dunes Creek were significantly correlated with the park's beach water. Dunes Creek empties directly onto the state park's only swimming beach, indicating that the creek directly impacts bathing water quality. *E. coli* is common within the stream basin, especially in submerged, margin, and wetted bank sediments, with numbers rapidly decreasing landward beyond the banks. The relationship between *E. coli* concentration and stream order suggests that excessive ditching and, consequently, non-point source input via sediment transport are responsible for elevated *E. coli* density in the watershed.

Sources:

Probable – Soil/Sediment/Sand (non-anthropogenic)

Potential –

Possible – Non-specific source (groundwater; non-anthropogenic)

3 - Pismo Beach Fecal Contamination Source Identification Study; Final Report. Aug. 12, 2010

CAL POLY and City of Pismo Beach

http://www.coastalrcd.org/images/cms/files/PismoFinalReport-v1_4%5B1%5D.pdf

Purpose - To identify biological sources of fecal contamination. Primary sources found were bird fecal contamination.

Results - The data collected in this study clearly shows the main source of fecal contamination on the beach is bird droppings near the pier. Nearly 40% of the E. coli strains collected in this study matched bird fecal sources, and E coli strains with a pigeon-specific fingerprint were collected. In addition, measuring the time since a tide last washed the part of the beach being sampled was an excellent predictor of FIB count, indicating that deposition of fecal matter on the beach itself was a predominate contamination mode.

Sources:

Probable - Bathers, dogs, pigeons (secondary wildlife)

Potential - Cows

Possible -

86 - Sourcing faecal pollution from onsite wastewater treatment systems in surface waters using antibiotic resistance analysis

S. Carroll, M. Hargreaves, and A. Goonetilleke

<http://eprints.qut.edu.au/4018/1/4018.pdf>

Purpose - To identify the sources of faecal contamination in investigated surface waters and to determine the significance of onsite wastewater treatment systems (OWTS) as a major contributor to faecal contamination.

Results - Antibiotic resistance patterns (ARP) were established for a library of 717 known Escherichia coli source isolates obtained from human, domesticated animals, livestock and wild sources. The resulting ARP DA indicated that a majority of the faecal contamination in more rural areas was nonhuman; however, the percentage of human isolates increased significantly in urbanized areas using OWTS for wastewater treatment.

Sources:

Probable – Sewage infrastructure (onsite wastewater treatment systems; human waste)

Potential –

Possible –

28 - Faecal pollution source identification in an urbanising catchment using antibiotic resistance profiling, discriminant analysis and partial least squares regression

Steven P. Carroll, L. Dawes, L., M. Hargreaves, and A. Goonetilleke

<http://eprints.qut.edu.au/19108/1/c19108.pdf>

Purpose - Antibiotic Resistance Patterns (ARP) were established for a library of 1005 known E. coli source isolates obtained from human and non-human (domesticated animals, livestock and wild) sources in an urbanising catchment in Queensland State, Australia. Discriminant Analysis (DA) was used to differentiate between the ARP of source isolates and to identify the sources of faecal contamination.

Results - The resulting ARP (Antibiotic Resistance Patterns) DA (Discriminant Analysis) indicated that a majority of the faecal contamination in the rural areas was non-human. However, the percentage of human isolates increased significantly in urbanised areas using onsite systems for wastewater treatment. The PLS regression was able to develop predictive models which indicated a high correlation of human source isolates from the urban area.

Sources:

Probable - Urbanized watershed (human waste), agriculture, other (land use)

Potential –

Possible -

47 - Middle Santa Ana River Bacterial Indicator TMDL Data Analysis Report

CDM and Risk Sciences

Purpose - The primary goal of this study was "to develop an investigative strategy at the highest priority sites, including site-specific or subwatershed-specific activities."

Results – Analysis showed significant differences in the frequency with which molecular markers for humans, dogs, and cattle were detected at the various source evaluation sites. The sites with highest frequency of detection of host-specific markers included the Human marker at Box Springs Channel and Chris Basin; Bovine marker at Anza Drain, Cypress Channel and San Antonio Channel; and Domestic canine marker at Chris Basin, County Line Channel and Day Creek. Where the universal marker was measured, it was quantified at levels much higher than the other measured markers, indicating the presence of many other sources of bacteria, e.g. birds, rodents, small mammals and reptiles. Preliminary review of land use data indicates that bacterial concentrations are positively correlated with degree of urban development and negatively correlated with the proportion of agricultural acreage and open space in the area.

Sources:

Probable – Non-specific source (human waste; 1 of 13 sites), dogs(1 of 13 sites) and cows(3 of 13 sites), commercial/industrial (anthropogenic non-human source), residential, commercial, and industrial (land use)

Potential -

Possible – Agriculture (anthropogenic non-human source), natural land use (non-anthropogenic) natural and agricultural (land use)

127 - Densities of fecal indicator bacteria in tidal waters of the Ballona Wetlands, Los Angeles County, California

John. H. Dorsey

<http://www.freepatentsonline.com/article/Bulletin-Southern-California-Academy-Sciences/151712972.html>

Purpose - Densities of fecal indicator bacteria (FIB) represented by total coliforms, E. coli and enterococci were measured within tidal channels of the Ballona Wetlands (Los Angeles County) to see if the wetlands act as a sink or source for these bacteria and to measure increases in FIB densities during wet weather.

Results - Results suggest that the wetlands may act as a sink in that FIB densities tended to be greater during flood flows into the wetlands, but less in water draining out of the system during ebb flows. However, this condition was not consistently met, especially at stations farthest from the tide gates. These sites could be reflecting increased FIB densities through regrowth within sediments and other unidentified sources.

Sources:

Probable –Storm drains

Potential –

Possible -

181 - Reduction of fecal indicator bacteria (FIB) in the Ballona Wetlands saltwater marsh (Los Angeles County, California, USA) with implications for restoration actions

John H. Dorsey, P.M. Carter, S. Bergquist and R. Sagarin

<http://www.sciencedirect.com/science/article/pii/S004313541000388X/>

Purpose - Determine FIB tidal dynamics within the wetland

Results - The wetlands act as both a source and sink for FIB depending on tidal conditions and exposure to sunlight. Future restoration actions would result in a tradeoff – increased tidal channels offer a greater surface area for FIB inactivation, but also would result in a greater volume of FIB-contaminated re-suspended sediments carried out of the wetlands on stronger ebb flows. As levels of FIB in Ballona Creek and Estuary diminish through recently established regulatory actions, the wetlands could shift into a greater sink for FIB.

119 - FECAL COLIFORM AND STREPTOCOCCUS CONCENTRATIONS IN RUNOFF FROM GRAZED PASTURES IN NORTHWEST ARKANSAS

D. R. Edwards, M.S. Coyne, P.F. Vendrell, T.C. Daniel, P.A. Moore, Jr., and J.F. Murdoch

<http://www.pcwp.tamu.edu/docs/lshs/end->

[notes/Fecal%20Coliform%20and%20Streptococcus%20Concen-0982758667/Fecal%20Coliform%20and%20Streptococcus%20Concentrations%20in%20Runoff%20from%20Grazed%20Pastures%20and%20Northwest%20Arkansas.pdf](http://www.pcwp.tamu.edu/docs/lshs/end-notes/Fecal%20Coliform%20and%20Streptococcus%20Concen-0982758667/Fecal%20Coliform%20and%20Streptococcus%20Concentrations%20in%20Runoff%20from%20Grazed%20Pastures%20and%20Northwest%20Arkansas.pdf)

Purpose - Assess the effects of grazing, time of year, and runoff amounts on FC and FS concentrations and to evaluate whether FC/FS concentration ratios are consistent with earlier values reported as characteristic of animal sources.

Results - In general, FC and FS concentrations were not directly related to either treatment with animal manure or presence of grazing cattle. Ratios of FC to FS concentrations varied widely ranging from almost zero to more than 100. These data confirm earlier findings that FC/FS ratios are not a reliable indicator of the source of FC and FS in the runoff.

147 - FECAL-INDICATOR BACTERIA IN STREAMS ALONG A GRADIENT OF RESIDENTIAL DEVELOPMENT

Steven A. Frenzel and C.S. Couvillion

<http://lshs.tamu.edu/docs/lshs/end-notes/fecal%20indicator%20bacteria%20in%20streams%20along%20a%20gradient%20of%20residential%20development.pdf>

Purpose - In order to adopt EPA water-quality standards for concentrations of *Escherichia coli* (*E. coli*) or enterococci, and study to determine the effects of urbanization on water quality.

Results - Areas served by sewer systems had significantly higher fecal-indicator bacteria concentrations than did areas served by septic systems. The areas served by sewer systems also had storm drains that discharged directly to the streams, whereas storm sewers were not present in the areas served by septic systems. Fecal-indicator bacteria concentrations were highly variable over a two-day period of stable streamflow, which may have implications for testing of compliance to water-quality standards.

120 - Soil: the environmental source of *Escherichia coli* and Enterococci in Guam's streams

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<http://onlinelibrary.wiley.com/doi/10.1111/j.1365-2672.1998.tb05286.x/pdf>

Purpose - Test the hypothesis that faecal bacteria are able to establish themselves in the soil environments of tropical islands by conducting a study in Guam, a tropical pacific island with warmer temperatures and higher humidity than Hawaii (covered in a previous study).

Results - Results obtained in Guam were similar to the results obtained in Hawaii and provided convincing evidence that the faecal bacterial indicators selected by USEPA to establish recreational water quality standards are able to colonize the soil environments of warm, humid tropical islands, current hygienic water quality standards which are based on concentrations of faecal indicator bacteria may not be applicable in tropical islands and perhaps other subtropical and tropical countries in the world. In these countries, stream waters can be expected to contain elevated levels of faecal bacteria.

Sources:

Probable - Rainfall

Potential –

Possible -

91 - Use of composite data sets for source-tracking enterococci in the water column and shoreline interstitial waters on Pensacola Beach, Florida

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<http://64.9.200.77/lists/beachnet/2005-07/pdf00002.pdf>

Purpose - Source identification was performed to better understand risk associated with higher densities of enterococci found in swash zone interstitial water (SZIW) as compared to adjacent bathing water on Pensacola Beach, FL.

Results - This study documents higher densities of enterococci in SZIW than in adjacent bathing waters on Pensacola Beach. Entrapment may partially account for increased bacteria densities, however, biological factors (nutrients, protection from predation) and physical factors (particulate matter, periodic wetting and drying, protection from solar irradiation) may not only allow the enhanced survival of bacteria but may actually provide a growth- promoting environmental niche on the beach.

Sources:

Probable – Seagull (secondary wildlife)

Potential –

Possible – **Non-specific source (human waste)**

46 - Laguna Watershed Study and Water Quality Improvement Feasibility Analysis

Geosyntec and UCSB

Purpose - To evaluate dry weather hydrology, microbiological indicators, bacterial sources and loads, and feasible water quality improvements for the Laguna Channel in Santa Barbara, CA.

Results – Based on the analysis of human-specific *Bacteroides* DNA, it appears that there is significant input of human fecal waste into some Laguna storm drains and into Laguna Channel. An obvious spatial correlation between measured FIB and Human specific *Bacteroides* Marker (HBM) concentrations could not be identified; similar trends between indicator species and HBM concentrations were also not observed.

Sources:

Probable – Non-specific source (human waste),

Potential -

Possible -

148 - Quantitative Detection of Hepatitis A Virus and Enteroviruses Near the United States-Mexico Border and Correlation with Levels of Fecal Indicator Bacteria

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<http://publichealth.sdsu.edu/publications/gersberg684.pdf>

Purpose - To measure the levels of Hepatitis A virus (HAV) and enteroviruses in coastal waters, and compare to *E. coli* and enterococci.

Results - HAV and enterovirus were found in 93% of wet weather samples. Inadequate sewage infrastructure in Tijuana, Mexico, also contributes to the high levels found at some sites.

60 - Evaluation of Two Library-Independent Microbial Source Tracking Methods to Identify Sources of Fecal Contamination in French Estuaries

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<http://aem.asm.org/content/73/15/4857.full.pdf+html>

Purpose - The aim of this study was to optimize and validate the two MST techniques (host-specific 16S rRNA gene markers from Bacteroidales and genotyping of F-specific RNA bacteriophages) on human and animal feces, sewage treatment plant (STP) sludge, wastewater samples, and pig liquid manure (PLM; pig slurry) collected in France. Both techniques were then applied to water samples collected at different times from three estuaries

Results - Humans and animals sources are detected as sources of *E. coli* and Enterococci contamination in the estuaries based on host-specific Bacteroidales and F-specific bacteriophages

Sources:

Probable – Septic (human waste), livestock (domestic animals), livestock (agriculture), birds (wildlife), birds (secondary wildlife)

Potential -

Possible -

23 - Generation of Enterococci Bacteria in Saltwater Marsh and its impact on the surf zone water quality

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<https://www.crops.org/publications/jeq/pdfs/31/4/1300>

Purpose - To characterize the sources and transport of Enterococcus in tidally influenced flood control channels and a saltwater marsh.

Results - We find that enterococci bacteria are present at high concentrations in urban runoff, bird feces, marsh sediments, and on marine vegetation. Surprisingly, urban runoff appears to have relatively little impact on surf zone water quality because of the long time required for this water to travel from its source to the ocean. On the other hand, enterococci bacteria generated in a tidal saltwater marsh located near the beach significantly impacts surf zone water quality.

Sources:

Probable – Marsh (non-anthropogenic; non-specific source), wildlife (marsh avian), marsh sediment, soil/sediment/sand

Potential –

Possible –

92 - Antibiotic Resistance Profiles to Determine Sources of Fecal Contamination in a Rural Virginia Watershed

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Purpose - Antibiotic resistance analysis (ARA) was used to determine if enterococci of human origin were present in a stream (Spout Run) that passes through a rural non-sewered community (Millwood, VA)

Results - A human signature was found in Spout Run as it passed through upper and middle Millwood. No evidence of a human signature was found in Page Brook in an earlier report (Hagedorn et al., 1999), and no evidence of a human signature was found in any of the tributaries that form Spout Run in this study. There are 32 homes in upper Millwood, 21 homes in middle Millwood, and 13 homes in lower Millwood, all on individual septic systems. Repair or replacement of unsatisfactory systems (or installation of a community system) should result in removal of the human signature from Spout Run.

Sources:

Probable – Septic system (sewage infrastructure; human waste), Livestock (domestic animals; anthropogenic non-human sources), wildlife (non-anthropogenic)

Potential –

Possible –

2 - San Diego County Enterococcus Regrowth Study; Draft Final Report, June 11, 2011

John Griffith and D. Ferguson

Purpose - To investigate storm drains as a potential source of Enterococcus bacteria to San Diego's coastal waters during dry weather.

Results –The results of this study suggest that enterococci in these storm drain systems came from predominantly natural sources and include strains that are capable of growing on drain pipe surfaces. The results of the concrete coupon/growth study showed that enterococci were capable of attaching to and growing on concrete coupons. Testing of enterococci extracted from coupons in Cottonwood Creek revealed species and biotypes most closely related to freshwater plants and decomposed algae/vegetation. The majority (77%) of enterococci from the surfaces of coupons, pipe and cobble rock at a La Jolla storm drain were identified as an enterococcal species associated with plants.

A number of natural sources of enterococci were identified at Moonlight State Beach. In this study, up to 70% of creek water isolates were identified as a species commonly found on plants. Multivariate analysis of species and biotypes showed that enterococci in Cottonwood Creek were most similar enterococci found in decomposed algae and vegetation, freshwater plants and seawrack. At least 52% of enterococci in beach water were of a species found in plants, however 34% of isolates were either non-Enterococcus species or unidentifiable, suggesting the possibility of additional sources of enterococci that were not evaluated in this study. Some of the enterococci biotypes in beach water were the same ones found in decomposed algae and vegetation, freshwater plants and seawrack.

The low numbers of birds and predominance of *E. faecalis* in bird stools indicate that birds may not have been a major source of enterococci to creek and beach water, however the dissimilarity in enterococcal populations could also be related to different selection pressures.

All beach and storm drain/creek water samples tested for Bacteroidales indicated very low or non-detectable levels of the human marker, indicating that these samples had little or no evidence of human fecal material.

Sources:

Probable – MS4 Infrastructure (Human waste), avian (secondary wildlife), avian (non-anthropogenic)

Potential – Landscaping (irrigation and lawn clippings),

Possible – Wrackline, Plants (non-anthropogenic), seawrack, beach sand

121 - Escherichia coli and Enterococci at Beaches in the Grand Traverse Bay, Lake Michigan: Sources, Characteristics, and Environmental Pathways

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<http://www.glin.net/lists/beachnet/2007-07/pdf00000.pdf>

Purpose - Overall objectives were to (i) quantify EC and ENT in dominant source materials and recreational waters; (ii) characterize selected source isolates using genomic (EC) or biochemical (ENT) profiling; (iii) identify associations between numbers of these two indicator bacteria groups and ambient conditions; (iv) identify processes that influence spatiotemporal variability of indicator bacteria at these beaches; and (v) evaluate standardized monitoring approaches in light of site-specific knowledge about sources and environmental processes

Results - Bird feces are likely one significant source of bacterial contamination to these beaches. Storm drains and the Boardman River contributed large numbers of EC and ENT to the bay, even during non-runoff conditions.

Sources:

Probable – Seawrack (vegetation and other detritus)

Potential –

Possible –

94 - Determining Sources of Fecal Pollution in a Rural Virginia Watershed with Antibiotic Resistance Patterns in Fecal Streptococci

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Purpose - The objectives of this project were (i) to validate the method of using antibiotic resistance patterns in fecal streptococci and discriminant analysis (DA) to differentiate between human and animal sources and between certain types of animal sources with a larger database of known source isolates from a wider geographical region and (ii) to use this method in a watershed project to identify fecal pollution sources.

Results - The results presented affirm that antibiotic resistance patterns can be used with fecal streptococci to determine sources of fecal pollution in water. Results (detection of no human isolates) had a direct impact on water quality improvement in Page Brook, as local officials were able to focus restoration efforts on the actual sources (e.g., beef cattle) rather than on those that made no contribution to the water pollution.

Sources:

Probable – Cattle (domestic animals; anthropogenic non-human sources)

Potential – Waterfowl, deer unidentified (wildlife; non-anthropogenic)

Possible – Non-specific source (human waste)

69 - Influence of Freshwater Sediment Characteristics on Persistence of Fecal Indicator Bacteria

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<http://www.springerlink.com/content/ju524662v67v4967/fulltext.pdf>

Purpose - To investigate the effect of sediment characteristics such as particle grain size and nutrient and organic matter contents on the survival of fecal indicator bacteria including total coliforms, E. Coli, and Enterococcus.

Results - FIB survival in sediments and possible re-suspension are considerable significance for understanding permanent microbial pollution. Results revealed (1) FIB survived in sediments up to 50 days, (2) higher growth and lower decay rates of FIB in sediments with high levels of organic matter and nutrients and small grain size, (3) longer survival of Enterococcus compared to E. coli and total coliforms.

Sources:

Probable – Wastewater treatment plant (based on other studies), Soil/Sediment/Sand

Potential – Cattle and horses, storm runoff (MS4 Infrastructure; human waste), Agriculture

Possible – Septic (sewage infrastructure), Wastewater treatment plant, storm runoff (MS4 Infrastructure; human waste), Agriculture, Land use

193 - Soil: the environmental source of Escherichia coli and Enterococci in Hawaii's streams

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<http://mdl.csa.com/partners/viewrecord.php?requester=gs&collection=ENV&recid=9200969&q=&uid=791338866&setcookie=yes>

Purpose - To determine the concentrations and sources of Escherichia coli and enterococci in a typical stream (Manoa) in Hawaii.

Results - Soil is considered the most likely source for the high concentrations of indicator bacteria naturally present in the freshwater streams of Hawaii.

Sources:

Probable – Wastewater treatment plant (based on other studies), Soil/Sediment/Sand

Potential – Cattle and horses, storm runoff (MS4 Infrastructure; human waste), Agriculture, Land use

Possible – Septic (sewage infrastructure), Wastewater treatment plant, storm runoff (MS4 Infrastructure; human waste), Agriculture, Land use

61 - Combining targeted sampling and fluorometry to identify human fecal contamination in a freshwater creek

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<http://www.iwaponline.com/jwh/006/0105/0060105.pdf>

Purpose - The aim of this study was to conduct sampling at 2 reaches at Potato Creek, a freshwater creek in Georgia, and 1 tributary during baseflow and stormflow conditions and detect human sources of fecal contamination by using targeted sampling (finding hot spots of fecal contamination within the Creek and/or tributaries and re-sampling these spots) and fluorometry (detection of fluorescing compounds, optical brighteners, & laundry detergents)

Results - Humans, dogs, and cattle are the major suspected sources (not sampled) for fecal contamination in the Potato Creek reaches

Sources:

Probable -

Potential -

Possible – Broken home sewer line, dogs, cows, wildlife (non-anthropogenic),

63 - Drayton Harbor Watershed Microbial Source Tracking Pilot Study Phase 2: California Creek, Dakota Creek and Cain Creek Sub-watersheds

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<http://whatcomshellfish.whatcomcounty.org/Drayton/documents/DraytonHarborSanitarySurvey2010.pdf>

Purpose - The objective of this study was to determine whether human or ruminant sources contribute to fecal contamination at selected sampling stations to inform follow-up investigations and corrective actions by Whatcom County and other agencies and to inform the Drayton Harbor Fecal Coliform TMDL Evaluation.

Results - Ruminant and human fecal sources threaten the shellfish harvest.

Sources:

Probable - Non-specific source (human waste), domestic animals,

Potential -

Possible -

67 - Sources and Mechanisms of Delivery of E. coli (bacteria) Pollution to the Lake Huron

Todd Howell

Purpose - To identify the potential sources of fecal pollution to the shoreline.

Results – The long-term fate of the potentially high E. coli loads delivered to the lake at these times is poorly understood. The association of E. coli with particulate material is thought to be a key mechanism by which survival and transport in the lake environment is enhanced.

Sources:

Probable – Agriculture,

Potential – Soil/Sediment/Sand

Possible - **Non-specific source (human waste), agriculture (listed under other with no degree of designation (probable, low, etc.)**

10 - Wrack promotes the persistence of fecal indicator bacteria in marine sands and seawater

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<http://onlinelibrary.wiley.com/doi/10.1111/j.1574-6941.2011.01082.x/full>

Purpose - Study examined the relationship between beach wrack, FIB, and surrounding water and sediment at marine beaches along the California coast.

Results – FIB concentrations normalized to dry weight were the highest in stranded dry wrack, followed by stranded wet and suspended ‘surf’ wrack. Laboratory microcosms were conducted to examine the effect of wrack on FIB persistence in seawater and sediment. Indigenous enterococci and *Escherichia coli* incubated in a seawater microcosm containing wrack showed increased persistence relative to those incubated in a microcosm without wrack. FIB concentrations in microcosms containing wrack-covered sand were significantly higher than those in uncovered sand after several days. These findings implicate beach wrack as an important FIB reservoir.

Sources:

Probable – Seawrack [1-Dry wrack (highest FIB), 2-wet wrack, 3-surf wrack]

Potential -

Possible -

57 - Presence and Growth of Naturalized *Escherichia Coli* in Temperate Soils from Lake Superior Watersheds

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<http://aem.asm.org/content/72/1/612.full.pdf+html>

Purpose - The goal of the study was to (i) examine the survival and persistence of *E. coli* populations in three soils in several coastal Lake Superior watersheds (extreme environmental conditions) and to determine if these *E. coli* strains have become naturalized to these soils, (ii) examine the genetic relatedness of soilborne *E. coli* strains from different locations, and (iii) determine if soilborne *E. coli* could actively multiply in the soils examined.

Results - *E. Coli* is able to survive and grow in soil, with growth occurring when temperature and nutrients are higher and able to survive in extreme environments (low temps). Animal feces of surrounding wildlife not shown to be likely source.

Sources:

Probable – Soil/Sediment/Sand

Potential -

Possible - Wildlife

156 - Sources and Persistence of Fecal Coliform Bacteria in a Rural Watershed

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<http://www.cawq.ca/journal/temp/journal/7.pdf#page=32>

Purpose - Quantify the presence of fecal coliform bacteria in the surface waters of a rural watershed and to attempt to determine the primary sources of fecal pollution within rural watersheds.

Results - Fecal coliform levels frequently exceeded recreational water quality guidelines. At the watershed outlet, 94% of the collected samples exceeded the recreational water quality guideline during low flow conditions. Substantial bacterial loading was observed along stream reaches impacted by livestock operations. Bacterial loading was also observed along a stream reach that was not impacted by agricultural activities.

Sources:

Probable – Livestock

Potential -

Possible -

200 - The effect of cattle grazing on indicator bacteria in runoff from a Pacific Northwest watershed

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<http://lshs.tamu.edu/docs/lshs/end->

[notes/the%20effect%20of%20cattle%20grazing%20on%20indicator%20bacteria%20in%20runoff%20from%20a%20pacific%20northwest%20watershed.pdf](http://lshs.tamu.edu/docs/lshs/end-notes/the%20effect%20of%20cattle%20grazing%20on%20indicator%20bacteria%20in%20runoff%20from%20a%20pacific%20northwest%20watershed.pdf)

Purpose - Total coliform (TC), fecal coliform (FC), and fecal streptococcal (FS) numbers were monitored for 3 years to determine the effect of grazing on the presence of these organisms in runoff from a cattle grazed and a non-grazed watershed in the Pacific Northwest

Results - Sampling at several locations within the grazed watershed showed that sources of indicator bacteria were well distributed, and as a result were nonpoint after the initial runoff events. Thus, present FC recommendations developed for point-sources would not apply adequately to grazed land in the Pacific Northwest. Indicator bacteria as presently analyzed would not provide a basis for developing best management practices.

Sources:

Probable – Secondary Wildlife (Cows)

Potential -

Possible –

12 - 2009 Investigation of Spatial and Temporal Distribution of Human-specific Bacteroidales marker in Malibu Creek, Lagoon and Surfrider Beach

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Purpose - The goal of the study is to understand the relationship between Fecal indicator bacteria (FIB) and human-specific Bacteroidales (HSB) in coastal wetland. The study examines the spatial & temporal relationship of human-specific Bacteroidales marker (HBM) & FIB in lower Malibu Creek, Lagoon, and Surfrider Beach during wet and dry weather to determine the presence of detectable concentrations of HBM in the lagoon and if concentrations of HBM correlate with FIB

Results - Of the 80 water samples analyzed within the Malibu watershed, five samples were positive for the human-specific HF183 Bacteroidales marker (HBM). The highest percent exceedance of FIB and HBM concentrations were measured during wet weather. During the study, 93.8% of the samples did not have detectable concentrations of HBM. These data do not rule out any particular potential sources of human fecal contamination.

Sources:

Probable -

Potential - storm drains

Possible - Septic systems, Tapia Wastewater Reclamation Facility disinfected discharge, wildlife and birds

98 - Microbial source tracking in a small southern California urban watershed indicates wild animals and growth as the source of fecal bacteria

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<http://www.eng.uci.edu/files/07-1MST.pdf>

Purpose - Apply three MST tools, namely, ARA, human viruses, and E. coli toxin biomarkers to aid in the cleanup of unknown pollution sources in Laguna Niguel. Laguna Niguel is a small urban watershed in southern California that experienced chronic fecal coliform and enterococci contamination, with concentrations on average of 2–4 orders of magnitude greater than State of California established type 2 recreational standards.

Results - Using three independent microbial source tracking methods, the results of this study indicate that human sewage was not a major contributor of fecal bacterial impairment in this small urban watershed. This study showed that rabbit feces contain one of the highest concentrations of Enterococcus spp. per unit weight.

Sources:

Probable – Urban land use (non-specific source), dogs (urban land use), cows and horses (rural open land use),

Potential –

Possible –

76 - Freshwater Beach Total Maximum Daily Load Microbial Source Tracking Study

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http://des.state.nh.us/organization/divisions/water/wmb/tmdl/documents/sand_dam_appendix_b_beach.pdf

Purpose - The goal of this project was to investigate actual and potential bacterial sources at (3) public beaches. The approach reflects the latest concepts for efficient use of bacterial ribotyping for pollution source identification in New Hampshire, i.e., ribotyping of high priority samples and development of small local source species databases. This targeted approach was designed to optimize identification of the most significant contamination sources at the 3 beaches.

Results - Overall, birds were the most prevalent (37%) source species type, followed by livestock (24%), humans (5%), wild animals (4%) and pets (3%). The most commonly identified source species was geese (17 isolates), followed by cows and mixed avian (7) sheep (6), horses and ducks (3), septage, goat, wastewater effluent and dog (2), with single isolates identified as coming from deer, red foxes, wild turkeys and mixed wildlife.

Sources:

Probable – Livestock, birds (secondary wildlife)

Potential –

Possible – Non-specific source (human waste), pets, wildlife

99 - Tracking Bacterial Pollution Sources in Stormwater Pipes

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<http://www.unh.edu/users/unh/acad/colsa/marine-program/nhep/resources/pdf/trackingbacterialpollution-unh-03.pdf>

Purpose - Determine the bacteria source species from two of the highest priority storm drain pipes that discharge to Hampton Harbor

Results - Many storm water/runoff studies have attributed fecal contamination to pet wastes. Of the four types of sources identified, pets were the least common, behind birds, humans and wildlife.

Sources:

Probable – Non-specific source (human waste), geese (secondary wildlife), cormorants (wildlife; non-anthropogenic)

Potential –

Possible – Cats and dogs (domestic animals; anthropogenic non-human sources), seagulls and pigeons (secondary wildlife), foxes, raccoons and coyotes (wildlife; non-anthropogenic)

32 - USING MULTIPLE ANTIBIOTIC RESISTANCE AND LAND USE CHARACTERISTICS TO DETERMINE SOURCES OF FECAL COLIFORM BACTERIAL POLLUTION

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<http://www.springerlink.com/content/p5p4413ku0082707/fulltext.pdf>

Purpose - Multiple Antibiotic Resistance (MAR) analysis and regression modeling techniques were used to identify surface water areas impacted by fecal pollution from human sources, and to determine the effects of land use on fecal pollution in Murrells Inlet, a small, urbanized, high-salinity estuary located between Myrtle Beach and Georgetown, South Carolina.

Results - MAR results suggest that the majority of the fecal pollution detected in the Murrells Inlet estuary may be from non-human sources, including fecal coliforms isolated from areas in close proximity to high densities of active septic tanks.

Sources:

Probable -

Potential -

Possible -

144 - Bacteria Attenuation Modeling and Source Identification in Kranji Catchment and Reservoir

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<http://censam.mit.edu/publications/yeager.pdf>

Purpose - Determine the bacterial loading of Kranji Catchment and Reservoir and how this will affect planned recreational use of the reservoir.

Results - Farm run-off near the reservoir was the bacterial source of greatest concern. The relatively high concentrations coupled with the short travel time, which diminishes opportunity for attenuation, resulted in high concentrations reaching the reservoir downstream levels.

73 - Draft Calleguas Creek Watershed Quantitative Microbial Source Tracking Study

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Wuertz, S., Bambic, D., and Reide, G. (Report Prepared by UC Davis in Collaboration with Larry Walker Associates)

http://www.calleguas.com/ccwmp/DRAFT_CCW_MST_061406.pdf

Purpose - The goal of this microbial source tracking (MST) study was to provide quantitative, host-specific fecal source data and assist in the development of a bacteria TMDL for the Calleguas Creek Watershed (CCW).

Results - Urban areas were found to be sources of human and canine bacteria to Arroyo Simi and Conejo Creek. The Tapo Canyon site, which is upstream of urban influences, exhibited the lowest concentrations and ratios of the mixed-human marker, but the highest concentrations and ratios of the cow/horse marker. Analysis of tertiary-treated wastewater samples indicates that mixed-human Bacteroidales concentrations may be relatively high in discharged effluent. However, such cells are most likely non-viable and thus not associated with water quality objective exceedances.

Sources:

Probable – Non-specific source (human waste), dogs (canine urban land use), cows and horses (rural and open space)

Potential –

Possible –

100 - Non-point source pollution: Determination of replication versus persistence of Escherichia coli in surface water and sediments with correlation of levels to readily measurable environmental parameters

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<http://www.iwaponline.com/jwh/002/0103/0020103.pdf>

Purpose - Racine, Wisconsin, located on Lake Michigan, experiences frequent recreational water quality advisories in the absence of any identifiable point source of pollution. This research examines the environmental distribution of Escherichia coli in conjunction with the assessment of additional parameters (rainfall, turbidity, wave height, wind direction, wind speed and algal presence) in order to determine the most probable factors that influence E. coli levels in surface waters.

Results - This study indicates that persistence, rather than environmental replication of E. coli, is responsible for the majority of microorganisms recovered from foreshore sands, submerged sands and surface waters at Racine, Wisconsin, beaches along Lake Michigan.

Sources:

Probable – Non-specific source (persistence in surface water; non-anthropogenic),

Soil/Sediment/Sand (persistence)

Potential –

Possible –

135 - Source tracking faecal contamination in an urbanised and a rural waterway in the Nelson-Tasman region, New Zealand

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<http://www.tandfonline.com/doi/pdf/10.1080/00288330.2010.535494>

Purpose - Eight MST markers, including general, ruminant and human-associated Bacteroidales markers, a duck-associated E2 marker, a gull-associated Catellicoccus marimammalium marker and three additional human markers [Enterococcus faecium esp gene, Methanobrevibacter smithii nifH gene, and human polyoma viruses (HPyVs)] were tested for host specificity and sensitivity using an array of animal faecal samples of known origin and wastewater samples.

Results - The validation and application of a suite of end-point PCR assays for MST markers enabled us to identify the presence of faecal contamination from multiple sources, including humans, in a New Zealand urbanised waterway. Outcomes demonstrate that MST markers developed overseas can be utilised in New Zealand context.

150 - PISMO BEACH FECAL CONTAMINATION SOURCE IDENTIFICATION STUDY

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http://digitalcommons.calpoly.edu/cgi/viewcontent.cgi?article=1325&context=bio_fac

Purpose - Identify the biological sources of fecal contamination as well as the physical and environmental factors that influence the levels of bacteria in the ocean waters at Pismo Beach, California.

Results - The main source of fecal contamination on the beach is bird droppings near the pier. Both wave direction and current direction worked to push high concentrations of FIB away from the pier as the main source of fecal contamination.

Sources:

Probable – Sewage Infrastructure, Domestic animals (dogs, cats and horses), Secondary wildlife (cows, pigeons and gulls)

Potential –

Possible –

101 - Presence and Sources of Fecal Coliform Bacteria in Epilithic Periphyton Communities of Lake Superior

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<http://aem.asm.org/content/73/12/3771.full.pdf+html>

Purpose - (i) determine if fecal coliforms and *E. coli* populations are present and persist in periphyton communities from a harbor and Lake Superior, (ii) identify the most probable sources of *E. coli* found in periphyton, (iii) use laboratory microcosms to examine colonization and survival of *E. coli* in natural periphyton communities, and (iv) estimate the contribution of periphyton borne *E. coli* to overlying waters.

Results - Although many *E. coli* strains isolated from periphyton may have originated from waterfowl and sewage effluent, other strains appeared to be unique to the periphyton studied and may have developed self-sustaining naturalized populations in these communities. *E. coli* cells attached to periphyton, whether they are unique to these periphyton communities or not, can detach and contribute to fecal coliform numbers measured in coastal waters. This confounds the use of fecal coliforms as a reliable indicator of recent fecal contamination of recreational waters.

Sources:

Probable –

Potential – Sewage effluent (wastewater treatment plant; human waste), waterfowl (wildlife; non-anthropogenic), algae (non-anthropogenic)

Possible –

65 - Microbial Source Tracking Study for South Cypress Creek

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Purpose - The objective of this project was to be able to determine possible sources of fecal coliform levels found in South Cypress Creek, as well as to be able to try to quantify the impacts. By identifying the sources of the impacts, the City will work to achieve the goal of the Clean Water Act by addressing the specific sources where possible.

Results – Data indicated that there may be both diffuse sources of Avian fecal coliform (such as deposited areas that are washed into the creek at a slow rate), as well as direct discharges into the creek, providing the high numbers. The total human impact was fairly low. Thus, pet contributions may be more related to storm water runoff, rather than would be seen with the other major source types which may be related to direct contact with the creek water. For sources attributed to Wild Animals, the number of isolates was higher than all of the other sources in all fecal result groups, except for the “TNTC” group, where it was second to Avian.

Sources:

Probable – avian (secondary wildlife), wildlife (including birds),

Potential -

Possible - Non-specific source (human waste), domestic animals,

39 - LINKING ON-FARM DAIRY MANAGEMENT PRACTICES TO STORM-FLOW FECAL COLIFORM LOADING FOR CALIFORNIA COASTAL WATERSHEDS

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http://waterquality.ucanr.org/documents/Dairy_Management_Resources7451.pdf

Purpose - We have conducted a systems approach study of 10 coastal dairies and ranches to document fecal coliform concentration and loading to surface waters at the management decision unit scale. Water quality samples were collected on a storm event basis from loading units that included: manure management systems; gutters; storm drains; pastures; and corrals and lots.

Results – Fecal coliform load from units of concentrated animals and manure are significantly more than units such as pastures while storm flow amounts were significantly less. Fecal coliform concentrations demonstrate high variability both within and between loading units. Fecal coliform concentrations for pastures range from 206 to 2,288,888 cfu/100 ml and for lots from 1,933 to 166,105,000 cfu/100 ml.

Sources:

Probable - Manure Management Systems, Stockpiles, and lots (agriculture),

Potential – MS4 Infrastructure (human waste), pasture (land use)

Possible -

15 - Evaluation of Chemical, Molecular, and Traditional Markers of Fecal Contamination in an Effluent Dominated Urban Stream

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Purpose - To perform a quantitative sanitary survey of the Middle Santa Ana River, in southern California, utilizing a variety of source tracking tools, including traditional culture-dependent fecal markers, speciation of enterococci isolates, culture-independent fecal markers, and chemical markers of sewage and wastewater

Results - The results support the notion that regrowth of fecal indicator bacteria (FIB) in river sediments may lead to a decoupling between FIB and pathogen concentrations in the water column and thus limit the utility of FIB as an indicator of recreational waterborne illness in inland waters.

Sources:

Probable - in-situ growth in streambed sediments

Potential - effluent stream tributary to Santa Ana River, tributary to RW (Riverside WWTP plant stream tributary to Santa Ana River

Possible - Riverside WWTP & discharge pipe

128 - Snapshot investigation of likely contaminant sources in the Tilligerry Estuary catchment (Zones 5A and 5B)

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http://scholar.googleusercontent.com/scholar?q=cache:F75WyRF5YdUJ:scholar.google.com/&hl=en&num=100&as_sdt=0,5&as_vis=1

Purpose - a) To provide a “snapshot” of water quality in major surface waters draining to the estuary and within the estuary after a particularly wet period. The samples were analysed for nutrients (orthophosphate and nitrate), total coliforms, faecal coliforms, E.Coli, faecal streptococci and faecal sterols and; b) To interpret the most likely sources of faecal contamination from the data obtained as elevated faecal coliform concentrations had been recorded after significant rainfall in the past.

Results - However, the high microbial concentrations observed in major surface drains on the western and eastern side of the estuary also warrant further investigation, however it is clear that the majority of faecal contamination in the estuary is from agricultural land uses. A management program to control and mitigate runoff sources from agricultural lands in the catchment is therefore seen as an integral part of any plan to reduce faecal contamination in Tilligerry estuary.

Sources:

Probable –Human Waste (Non-specific source), Herbivores (Secondary Wildlife)

Potential -

Possible -

62 - Bacteriological methods for distinguishing between human and animal faecal pollution of water: results of fieldwork in Nigeria and Zimbabwe

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<http://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pmc/articles/PMC2536379/pdf/bullwho00087-0144.pdf>

Purpose - Recently, methods have been developed to distinguish between human and animal faecal pollution in temperate climates. The present study assessed the applicability and practicality of these methods in tropical countries.

Results - Ruminant and human fecal sources threaten the shellfish harvest.

Sources:

Probable –domestic animals,

Potential - Non-specific source (human waste), Non-specific source (anthropogenic non-human source),

Possible -

207 - Identifying sources of fecal contamination inexpensively with targeted sampling and bacterial source tracking

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http://www.water.rutgers.edu/Source_Tracking/Enterococcus/IdentifyingSourcesofFecalContaminationInexpensivelywithTargetedSamplingandBacterialSource.pdf

Purpose - Our objective was to identify the sources of fecal contamination inexpensively at St. Andrews Park and Sea Island during calm and stormy weather conditions using targeted sampling and two or more BST methods: Enterococcus speciation, the detection of the esp gene, and fluorometry.

Results - Targeted sampling, when combined with two or more of three BST methods--enterococcal speciation, detection of the esp gene, and fluorometry--was able to identify sources of fecal contamination quickly, easily, and inexpensively.

Sources:

Probable – Wildlife (Birds)

Potential -

Possible –Human Waste (Non-specific source), Sewage infrastructure (leaking sewer lines), Unspecified wildlife

26 - Application of Bacteroides fragilis Phage as an Alternative Indicator of Sewage Pollution in Tampa Bay, Florida

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<http://www.springerlink.com/content/9221116k3286u5p3/fulltext.pdf>

Purpose - The use of bacteriophages were evaluated in the drainage basins of Tampa Bay

Results – In this study, the phages that infect B. fragilis host RYC2056 (RYC), including phage B56-3, and host ATCC 51477-HSP40 (HSP), including the human specific phage B40-8, were evaluated in the drainage basins of Tampa Bay, 7 samples (n=62), or 11%, tested positive for the presence of phages infecting the host HSP, whereas 28 samples, or 45%, tested positive using the host RYC.

Sources:

Probable – Septic (sewage infrastructure),

Potential -

Possible -

4 - PB Point Bacterial Source Investigation Final Data Report

MEC- Weston and City of San Diego

Purpose - The goal of this study was to use molecular and standard bacterial indicator techniques to assess the host origin of the bacteria found in the receiving waters at PB point.

Results - The results of the PCR analysis are also presented in Table 2. Of the ten receiving water samples collected (not including duplicates), four (75-R on 8/15, 75R on 8/18, 75-L on 8/18 and 75-R on 8/20) were positive for the general PCR marker (GB), suggesting the presence of fecal material. Among the four samples that tested positive for the general marker, two were positive for at least one of the human-specific markers (75-L on 8/18 and 75-R on 8/20), which suggests the presence of bacteria from human origin.

Although the values for the bacterial indicators from all of the storm drain samples were high, only one (not including duplicates) of the five storm drain samples was positive for the general PCR marker (SD-0 on 8/15). None of the storm drain samples were positive for either of the two human markers.

Sources:

Probable –

Potential – Non-specific source (human waste)

Possible -

55 - MISSION BAY - Clean Beaches Initiative Bacterial Source Identification Study

MEC- Weston and City of San Diego

Purpose - The overall goal of this study was to identify the sources of bacterial contamination to Mission Bay.

Results -Results from both MST methods utilized in Phase II confirmed that the large majority of the enteric bacteria in Mission Bay originates from birds and contributions from human sources are insignificant

Sources:

Probable – Avian (secondary wildlife),

Potential –Dogs, over-irrigation, MS4 Infrastructure (delta sediment at storm drain outlet)

Possible - park restrooms and RV pump stations (human waste), boats and homeless(mobile sources), groundwater (non-anthropogenic), marine mammals, bay sediment

105 - Temporal and Spatial Variability of Fecal Indicator Bacteria: Implications for the Application of MST Methodologies to Differentiate Sources of Fecal Contamination

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<http://www.environmental-center.com/Files%5C7698%5CArticles%5C5788%5CMolina20600.pdf>

Purpose - Identify and compare the temporal and spatial variability of fecal indicator bacteria from a specific host in manure and water samples and evaluate the implications of such variability on microbial source tracking approaches and applications.

Results - Building an enterococci library is a time-consuming, expensive approach that has the potential to provide a great deal of information when the proper statistical analytical approach (in this case it was cluster analysis) is used to interpret the results. Application of a library-independent approach, such as the Bacteroides markers allows for a much faster and possibly less expensive results, but there remains a lack of thorough temporal, spatial and specificity analyses of the few genetic markers available so far.

Sources:

Probable – Cattle (domestic animals; anthropogenic non-human sources)

Potential –

Possible –

38 - Bacteria Monitoring and Source Tracking in Corpus Christi Bay at Cole and Ropes Parks

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<http://www.cbbe.org/publications/virtuallibrary/1010.pdf>

Purpose - In this study water samples from the six Texas Beach Watch stations at Ropes and Cole Parks were analyzed to detect the esp marker as an indicator of human contamination at these locations. Additionally, data on three other human-specific markers--Bacteroidales, Human 2 Polyoma Viruses (HPyVs), and ethanobrevibacter.smithii—from another study, are included in this report for comparison with the esp analysis results.

Results - Human source contamination was detected at Ropes and Cole Park stations under ambient weather conditions as measured by several human-specific markers. The esp gene was detected when levels of enterococci at Ropes Park were higher following rainfall and suggest a human contribution at this location presumably either from storm drain outflow or non-point source run-off. For Ropes and Cole Parks, a broader bacteria source tracking project is recommended to examine not only human, but other sources of contamination.

Sources:

Probable – Non-specific source (human waste),

Potential -

Possible – MS4 Infrastructure (human waste),

72 - Bacteria Source Tracking on the Mission and Aransas Rivers

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Purpose - In this study, bacteria source tracking (BST) was used to evaluate the sources of fecal contamination in the Mission and Aransas River segments and to provide additional data for assessment of sources of contamination into Copano Bay, the water body into which both segments empty.

Results - The majority of unknown source isolates collected from water samples at the five sampling stations along the Mission and Aransas tidal segments were classified as human source. Overall, 63.7-66.9% of unknown source isolate profiles from the composite (ARA+CSU) dataset were classified as treated human sources (originating from treated wastewater effluent). The remaining unknown source isolates were classified as livestock animals and wildlife, with cow, horse and duck contributions accounting for the majority of the animal sources in both the composite dataset and PFGE profiles.

Sources:

Probable – Wastewater treatment plant, cows, horses, ducks

Potential –

Possible – Gulls (secondary wildlife), hogs

41 - Multi-scale landscape factors influencing stream water quality in the state of Oregon

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<http://www.springerlink.com/content/y17u3uh60155w313/fulltext.pdf>

Purpose - This study used the State of Oregon surface water data to determine the likelihood of animal pathogen presence using enterococci and analyzed the spatial distribution and relationship of biotic (enterococci) and biotic (nitrogen and phosphorous) surface water constituents to landscape metrics and others (e.g. human use, percent riparian cover, natural covers, grazing, etc.).

Results – Landscape metrics related to amount of agriculture, wetlands and urban all contributed to increasing nutrients in surface water but at different scales. The probability of having sites with concentrations of enterococci above the threshold was much lower in areas of natural land cover and much higher in areas with higher urban land use within 60 m of stream. A 1% increase in natural land cover was associated with a 12% decrease in the predicted odds of having a site exceeding the threshold. Opposite to natural land cover, a one unit change in each of manmade barren and urban land use led to an increase of the likelihood of exceeding the threshold by 73%, and 11%, respectively. Change in urban land use had a higher influence on the likelihood of a site exceeding the threshold than that of natural land cover.

Sources:

Probable - Urbanized land use

Potential -

Possible – Agriculture

66 - Coastal Nonpoint Source Pollution Monitoring Program

New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection

Purpose - To identify the causes of the degrading water quality in the upper Navesink River. Perform stormwater monitoring to delineate major sources of fecal contamination. Utilize specialized tests, including coliphage and Multiple Antibiotic Resistance (MAR) analyses, to identify the sources of contamination (i.e., human, domestic animal, and wildlife). Once identified, actions can be recommended and taken to eliminate or reduce the impact.

Results – Results for Microbial Source Tracking indicators (F+RNA coliphage and Multiple Antibiotic Resistance) suggest a human source of fecal contamination at sites. Sites were identified as 'hot spots' for further source investigations.

Sources:

Probable - Non-specific source (human waste), wildlife

Potential – Domestic animals,

Possible -

1 - Multi-tiered Approach Using Quantitative Polymerase Chain Reaction for Tracking Source of Fecal Pollution to Santa Monica Bay, Ca, February 2005

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ftp://ftp.sccwrp.org/pub/download/DOCUMENTS/AnnualReports/2005_06AnnualReport/AR0506_181-194.pdf

Purpose - The objective of this study was to identify the contribution and quantify the loading of fecal contamination to the SMB using a multi-tiered approach. No discussion on what fecal source types (agriculture, birds, dogs) are impacting Santa Monica Bay

Results - Measurements of *Bacteroides* sp. and enterovirus indicated the presence of human fecal contamination throughout the system. *Bacteroides* sp. was present in 33% of mainstem samples. Enterovirus was present in 44% of mainstem samples. The concordance among these measurements was nearly complete; almost every location that detected *Bacteroides* sp. was also positive for enterovirus.

Sources:

Probable - Non-specific Source (human waste)

Potential -

Possible-

108 - Use of Fecal Steroids to Infer the Sources of Fecal Indicator Bacteria in the Lower Santa Ana River Watershed, California: Sewage Is Unlikely a Significant Source

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ftp://ftp.sccwrp.org/pub/download/DOCUMENTS/JournalArticles/444_fecal_steroids.pdf

Purpose - Utilize a suite of fecal steroids, as chemical markers to examine whether sewage was a significant source of FIB within the lower Santa Ana River watershed.

Results - The results implied that sewage was not a significant source of fecal steroids, and therefore perhaps FIB to the study area. Instead, birds may be one possible source of the intermittently high levels of FIB observed in the lower Santa Ana River watershed and the nearby surf zone.

Sources:

Probable –

Potential – Gulls (secondary wildlife; anthropogenic non-human sources)

Possible – Sewage infrastructure (human waste), dogs (domestic animals; anthropogenic non-human sources)

109 - Fecal source tracking by antibiotic resistance analysis on a watershed exhibiting low resistance

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<http://www.springerlink.com/content/k02q5v6748702773/fulltext.pdf>

Purpose - To test the efficiency of the antibiotic resistance analysis (ARA) method under low resistance by tracking the fecal sources at Turkey Creek, Oklahoma exhibiting this condition.

Results - The original seasonal and annual DA of the stream sources showed no significant difference between human and livestock input rates in winter, spring and summer ($0.56 \leq P \leq 0.76$). Deer was consistently lower than the other two sources ($0.00 \leq P \leq 0.30$). In fall, the human source predominated over livestock and deer ($P < 0.0001$). Revision of the original DA using the rates of misclassification, decreased classification into the human and deer sources by 6–7% ($0.22 \leq P \leq 0.33$), and increased classification into livestock by 13–14% ($0.04 \leq P \leq 0.06$), showing the significance of the original DA misclassification. In conclusion, the major effect of low antibiotic resistance to this ARA work was a significant level of negative misclassification into the livestock source.

Sources:

Probable – Non-specific source (human waste), livestock (domestic animals; anthropogenic non-human sources)

Potential – Deer (wildlife; non-anthropogenic)

Possible –

143 - Investigation of Faecal Pollution and Occurrence of Antibiotic Resistant Bacteria in the Mooi River System as a Function of a Changed Environment

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http://www.ewisa.co.za/literature/files/2008_137.pdf

Purpose - Water quality monitoring and assessments are of paramount importance to identify the river confluence vulnerable to the pollution impacts of urbanization. Investigate some physico-chemical parameters, levels of faecal pollution and occurrence of antibiotic resistant bacteria in the Mooi River system as a function of a changed environment.

Results - Non-human sources contributed greater towards faecal pollution. Urban gradient was recognized in terms of faecal indicator species distribution. Higher levels of antibiotic resistant bacteria were detected in urban sites when compared to lower upstream and elevated downstream levels.

75 - Middle Rio Grande Microbial Source Tracking Assessment Report

Parsons Water & Infrastructure Inc.

Purpose - The objective of this project was to identify specific sources of fecal coliform causing high levels of bacteria in the Middle Rio Grande.

Results - Overall, ribotyping results show, the largest fraction of *E. coli* matched those found in avian sources, followed by canine, human/sewage, rodents, bovine, and equine. The source of approximately 9 percent of the *E. coli* could not be identified. With the exception of rodents, only a few species of wild mammals were identified as sources of fecal coliform found in water: deer or elk, raccoon, coyote, bear, and opossum. It should be noted that an unknown fraction of the canine isolates may be from coyotes and foxes, as many *E. coli* strains are resident both in domestic dogs and wild canines.

Sources:

Probable – Cats, dogs, birds (wildlife)

Potential – Non-specific source (human waste), livestock, rodents (secondary wildlife), Wildlife (deer or elk, raccoon, coyote, bear, and opossum)

Possible –

125 - Bacterial Contamination and Antibiotic Resistance in Fecal Coliforms from Glacial Water Runoff

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<http://www.springerlink.com/content/fup31h3742514123/fulltext.pdf>

Purpose - Assess the bacteriological contamination in glacial water runoff from the Gangotri glacier and Gangetic river system (Gaumukh to Rishikesh) by enumerating aerobic heterotrophs, coliforms, fecal coliforms and fecal streptococci. Antibiotic resistance among the fecal coliforms, identified as *E. coli*, was also studied.

Results - Contamination of coliform was observed in all samples, while fecal coliform and fecal streptococci were detected in 17 and 18 samples, respectively (Fig. 2). Thus, bacteriological analysis exhibited maximum contamination in most of the water samples from post-Gangotri and Gangetic stations. The observed increase in the proportion of coliforms and fecal coliforms was statistically significant ($p < 0.001$). The counts of fecal streptococci in all study stretches were too low for statistical comparison.

129 - Fecal BMAP Implementation: Identification of Probable Sources in the Butcher Pen Creek Watershed

PBS&J

http://publicfiles.dep.state.fl.us/dear/BMAP/LowerStJohns/Tributaries%20Fecal%20Coliform%20BMAPs/Technical_Reports/ButcherPen/Final%20Draft%20Butcher%20Pen%20WBID%202322%20Tech%20Report%20041008.pdf

Purpose - FDEP has verified 54 tributaries of the Lower St. Johns River—located throughout Duval County and in small portions of Clay and St. Johns Counties—as impaired for fecal coliform, and TMDLs must be developed for these waterbodies. Local stakeholders in the Lower St. Johns Basin, in conjunction with FDEP, are currently working to develop a Basin Management Action Plan (BMAP) to implement the TMDLs for fecal coliform.

Results - Elevated levels of fecal coliforms following rainfall may be an indication that unidentified pollution sources (e.g., leaking wastewater conveyance systems) are being transported by stormwater into Butcher Pen Creek. This evaluation indicates that the probable sources of fecal contamination in the Butcher Pen Creek WBID are human-related. Although Butcher Pen Creek does not have a designated septic tank phase-out area, some areas of the basin have likely had OSTDS failures, as indicated by the existence of septic tank repair permit applications, especially in the northeast corners of the watershed. Therefore, it is likely that there still remain isolated and problematic septic systems that are contaminating the neighboring surface waters.

Sources:

Probable – Sewage infrastructure (SSO events),

Potential – Wastewater discharge

Possible –

34 - Origin and spatial–temporal distribution of faecal bacteria in a bay of Lake Geneva, Switzerland

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http://doc.rero.ch/lm.php?url=1000,43,4,20100511154847-XI/Pot_John_-_Origin_and_spatial-temporal_distribution_of_faecal_bacteria_20100511.pdf

Purpose - To quantify the input flux rates of faecal bacteria from the main contamination sources and to assess their spatial and temporal distribution in the bay, in order to estimate the human health risk related to recreational activities and drinking water use.

Results - The highest FIB concentrations in the near-surface water of the bay consequently occur during floods and mixed lake conditions. Although the thermocline protects the epilimnion from contamination in summer, effluent water may spread in the hypolimnion and reach the drinking-water pumping station 3.8 km further to the west.

Sources:

Probable – Wastewater Treatment Plant

Potential –

Possible –

110 - Classification Tree Method for Bacterial Source Tracking with Antibiotic Resistance Analysis Data

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<http://aem.asm.org/content/72/5/3468.full.pdf+html>

Purpose - Apply the statistical method known as classification trees to build a model for BST for the Anacostia Watershed in Maryland.

Results - Applying the tree classification model to the 1,565 Anacostia River water isolates yielded the following distribution of sources: 468 (29.9%) pet, 222 (14.2%) human, 437 (27.9%) livestock, and 438 (28.0%) wildlife. These results were determined from analysis of all the water isolates, which represent six monitoring stations with samples collected monthly for 1 year. Therefore, the source distribution presented here does not account for the distribution of high-flow and low-flow periods, which may contribute different sources to the streams. Also, note that bacterial sources can be site specific in a watershed, given the non-conservative nature of bacterial transport. For the purpose of this analysis, all the water isolates from the six monitoring stations were used to estimate the overall watershed relative source contributions. The results based on this averaging method indicate that humans contribute the least bacterial contamination to the Anacostia River. The other sources of bacterial contamination are evenly distributed among pet animals, livestock, and wildlife.

Sources:

Probable – Pets and livestock (domestic animals; anthropogenic non-human sources), wildlife (non-anthropogenic)

Potential – Non-specific sources (human waste)

Possible –

113 - Quantitative microbial faecal source tracking with sampling guided by hydrological catchment dynamics

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<http://onlinelibrary.wiley.com/doi/10.1111/j.1462-2920.2008.01682.x/pdf>

Purpose - Apply modern quantitative microbial source tracking methods on a large and complex karstic spring catchment in context with hydrology and other water quality parameters over a prolonged period of time in order to comprehensively, qualitatively and quantitatively characterize the pollution sources.

Results - 1) Established and evaluated a new sampling concept with consideration for the whole seasonal hydrological catchment variability and special emphasis on strong pollution events. 2) Demonstrated the ability of quantitative microbial source tracking studies to quantitatively link source-specific marker levels to general faecal pollution indicators in order to estimate the contribution of one source group to total faecal pollution as measured in conventional faecal monitoring.

3) Showed that the thorough investigation of catchment hydrology and pollution dynamics is a prerequisite for successful quantitative microbial source tracking study design.

Sources:

Probable – Ruminant (wildlife; non-anthropogenic)

Potential – Non-specific sources (human waste)

Possible – Soil/Sediment/Sand

133 - Assessment of Sources of Bacterial Contamination At Santa Cruz County Beaches

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ftp://ftpdpla.water.ca.gov/users/prop50/10045_SantaCruz/Work%20Plan%20CD%2004/reference%20plans%20and%20background%20information/Sources%20of%20Contamination%20at%20OSCC%20Beaches%202005.pdf

Purpose - Determine the source and health threat of elevated bacteria levels at Santa Cruz County beaches

Results - The most significant source of beach contamination in Santa Cruz County is discharge from the creeks, with a high urban runoff component during both wet and dry weather. 22 point plan to be implemented to improve water quality

Sources:

Probable – Non-specific sources (human waste), Sewage infrastructure (storm drains), Domestic animals (dogs), Secondary wildlife (birds), Wildlife (rats)

Potential –

Possible –

42 - Bacterial Source Tracking Pilot Study DNA Fingerprinting, Human Bacteroidetes ID and Human Enterococci ID

Rogue Valley Council of Governments

Natural Resources Department

Purpose - The purpose of the pilot study was 1) to determine whether bacteria found in local streams is from human or animal sources and 2) to evaluate different BST methodology for future use within the Rogue Valley.

Results - DNA Fingerprinting results show that animal fecal matter is present, but were inconclusive in identifying whether human contamination was present. Many of the analyzed colonies could not be matched to animal or human sources. However, based on the isolates identified, animals are the primary contributor of bacteria to Ashland Creek, Baby Bear, and Griffin Creek (31 of 50).

Sources:

Probable - Domestic animals, wildlife,

Potential -

Possible – Non-specific source (human waste)

7 - Microbiological Water Quality at Reference Beaches in Southern California During Wet Weather

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http://www.sccwrp.org:8060/pub/download/DOCUMENTS/TechnicalReports/448_reference_beach.pdf

Purpose - The contribution of non-human sources of bacteria was quantified at coastal reference beaches in southern California. Provides an overview of sampling methods and analytical results for reference beaches are discussed. Bacteria sources were not identified

Results – Based on the results from this study, natural contributions of nonhuman fecal indicator bacteria were sufficient to generate exceedances of the State of California water quality thresholds during wet weather. Total coliform, E. coli, and enterococcus samples collected during wet weather exceeded water quality thresholds greater than 10 times more frequently during wet weather than during recent dry weather in summer or winter, although the frequency differed by beach. San Onofre State Beach had the greatest concentrations of bacteria and the greatest frequency of water quality threshold exceedances. This may have been the result of several factors that we cannot disentangle. First, San Onofre Creek was the largest watershed we sampled, which may have led to a greater number of nonhuman sources of fecal indicator bacteria upstream. Second, San Onofre Creek had the largest and most mature lagoon of any site sampled, which was located at the beach interface and may have attracted nonhuman fecal sources (i.e. birds). Third, San Onofre Creek was the only discharge where we found human enteric virus. The San Onofre Creek watershed had the greatest fraction of developed land use (3%) of any of the other watershed systems and human activities are known to occur in the lower part of this watershed.

Sources:

Probable – Non-specific source (anthropogenic)

Potential – Non-specific source (human waste)

Possible –

221 - Presence of Bacteroidales as a Predictor of Pathogens in Surface Waters of the Central California Coast

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<http://ukpmc.ac.uk/articles/PMC2935056>

Purpose - Evaluate the value of Bacteroidales genetic markers and fecal indicator bacteria (FIB) to predict the occurrence of waterborne pathogens in ambient waters along the central California coast.

Results - The ability to predict pathogen occurrence in relation to indicator threshold cutoff levels was evaluated using a weighted measure that showed the universal Bacteroidales genetic marker to have a comparable or higher mean predictive potential than standard FIB. This

predictive ability, in addition to the Bacteroidales assays providing information on contributing host fecal sources, supports using Bacteroidales assays in water quality monitoring programs.

77 - Tracking Sources of Fecal Pollution in a South Carolina Watershed by Ribotyping *Escherichia coli*: A Case Study

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<http://sourcemolecular.com/pdfs/scott3.pdf>

Purpose - To describe the effective use of the ribotyping microbial source tracking procedure to determine the source(s) of *Escherichia coli* within a South Carolina watershed.

Results - Prior to investigating potential fecal inputs into this watershed, a significant human source was suspected as the primary input; however, of the 515 *E. coli* isolated from water samples collected during the course of this study, 88% were typed as being of animal fecal origin. Thus, this study was integral in the realization that animals may be a significant source of contamination and that remediation efforts should be redirected to accommodate these findings. Of the 454 animal isolates analyzed, 51 RT profiles were directly matched from a specific animal source. Of these, 22 (43%) were classified as coming from deer feces and 9 (18%) directly matched those generated from dog feces.

Sources:

Probable – Wildlife (deer, raccoons, birds and pelicans),

Potential – Non-specific source (human waste), cats and dogs, gulls (secondary wildlife)

Possible –

19 - Sewage Exfiltration As a Source of Storm Drain Contamination during Dry Weather in Urban Watersheds

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Purpose - To determine whether transmission of sewage is occurring from leaking sanitary sewers directly to leaking separated storm drains, field experiments were performed in three watersheds in Santa Barbara, CA.

Results – Above-background RWT peaks were detected in storm drains in high-risk areas, and multiple locations of sewage contamination were found. Sewage contamination during the field studies was confirmed using the human-specific Bacteroidales HF183 and *Methanobrevibacter smithii* nifH DNA markers. This study is the first to provide direct evidence that leaking sanitary sewers can directly contaminate nearby leaking storm drains with untreated sewage during dry weather and suggests that chronic sanitary sewer leakage contributes to downstream fecal contamination of coastal beaches.

Sources:

Probable -

Potential -

Possible -

6 - Storm Drains are Sources of Human Fecal Pollution during Dry Weather in Three Urban Southern California Watersheds

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http://www.santabarbaraca.gov/NR/rdonlyres/C3B1ADAE-37E8-4F89-8F2D-1A24FBAB8D6A/0/Sercuetal_ESnT_2009_v43p2938SI.pdf

Purpose - Dry weather bacteria monitoring in urbanized Santa Barbara, CA watersheds

Results - Of the 80 water samples analyzed within the Malibu watershed, five samples were positive for the human-specific HF183 Bacteroidales marker (HBM). The highest percent exceedance of FIB and HBM concentrations were measured during wet weather. During the study, 93.8% of the samples did not have detectable concentrations of HBM. These data do not rule out any particular potential sources of human fecal contamination.

Sources:

Probable -

Potential - Sewage infrastructure, non-stormwater discharges, MS4 infrastructure (less likely – human waste), MS4 infrastructure (anthropogenic non-human sources)

Possible -

116 - Identification of human fecal pollution sources in a coastal area: a case study at Oostende (Belgium)

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<http://www.iwaponline.com/jwh/004/0167/0040167.pdf>

Purpose - Identify fecal pollution sources in the North Sea and produce a model required to predict fecal pollution

Results - The canal Gent-Oostende, the Dode Kreek and Gauwelozeekreek, the Voorhaven, and the Montgommerydok contained high levels of the indicator bacteria. The European E. coli standard (5 £ 102/ 100 ml) suggested in the revised draft Bathing Water Directive (Council of the European Communities 2000) was exceeded most of the time at these sites. The human specific Bacteroides marker was detected in almost all water samples from these sites, which indicates that they are regularly contaminated with human fecal pollution. The river Noordede, the Visserijdok and the beach water at 2 sites were only lightly contaminated based on the European E. coli standard. At these sampling sites the human-specific Bacteroides marker was less frequently detected and in lower amounts, except at one locations where high concentrations of 107 human-specific Bacteroides marker per l were recorded at the beginning of the sampling survey and at the end. The detection of indicator organisms and the human specific Bacteroides marker was strongly related to rainfall for this coastal area.

Sources:

Probable – Non-specific sources (human waste)

Potential – Wildlife (non-anthropogenic)

Possible –

11 - Regrowth of Enterococci & Fecal Coliform in Biofilm. Printed in The Journal for Surface Water

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Purpose - The goal of the study was to determine the sources of high numbers of enterococci and fecal coliform found in street gutter runoff flowing from residential areas to the Dover Drive storm drain in Newport Beach, Orange County

Results – Bacteria counts in runoff from washing the sidewalk using bacteria-free hose water were 220 enterococci/100 ml and 180 fecal coliform/100 ml. Washoff water from the driveway by manually flooding a residential front lawn was 160 enterococci/100 ml and 9 fecal coliform/100 ml. Runoff from flooding the grass contained 1,250 enterococci/100 ml and 2,000 fecal coliform/100 ml. Water draining directly into the gutter through a hole cut through the curb grew out 70 enterococci/100 ml and 100 fecal coliform/100 ml.

Bacteria-free hose water was introduced into a dry street gutter and tested for enterococci and fecal coliform at 10 meters, 45 meters, and 100 meters downstream when the flow from the hose water reached those locations. There was a progressive rise of both enterococci and fecal coliform bacteria with the increased distance of flow. The levels of fecal indicator bacteria were 26,000 enterococci/100 ml and 14,000 fecal coliform/100 ml when the water reached the 100-meter test site, the last testing station. The source of these high numbers of bacteria is suspected to be coming from regrowth in the street gutters.

The findings of these studies provide evidence that regrowth of both enterococci and fecal coliform bacteria are occurring in biofilm located in residential street gutters and storm drains in Newport Beach.

Sources:

Probable - Street gutter biofilm regrowth (MS4 infrastructure)

Potential – Dog excrement (not tested), lawn irrigation runoff, sidewalk and driveway runoff (Solid/liquid waste), residential washwater, residential lawn runoff

Possible - Residential backyard and side yard patios, roof gutter drains but not tested

49 - F+ RNA Coliphages as Source Tracking Viral Indicators of Fecal Contamination

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<http://webmail.ciceet.unh.edu/news/releases/springReports07/pdf/sobsey.pdf>

Purpose - To evaluate and apply novel, cost-effective technologies and methods for the detection, quantification and identification of sources of microbial contaminants and the characterization of those sources as human or nonhuman.

Results - Microbial indicator concentrations in water and shellfish were higher at sites with greater wastewater treatment plant discharges. Of the 9 estuaries in the study, 4 were impacted by point source discharges of waste water treatment plant (WWTP) effluent. Human point source pollution in this study was primarily from waste water treatment plant (WWTP) treated effluent

and possibly raw sewage leaks, while likely human non-point sources included urban runoff, seepage from septic tanks, and boat dumping. Sites with non-human non-point fecal waste contained populations of wildfowl (goose, duck, gull), wild horses, other feral animals, agricultural animals, a dog park and urban pet waste. At 4 estuaries the impacted sites included human point and non-point sources, while the non-impacted sites were pristine sites with wildlife refuges or were geographically separated from human populations. In the Tijuana River Reserve in Southern CA human impacts were documented at all study sites, so in the absence of a truly pristine or non-impacted site, a site with only non-point source runoff from human development was compared to a more contaminated site at the mouth of the Tijuana River containing untreated sewage from Mexico.

Sources:

Probable -

Potential – Sewage infrastructure, Urban runoff (MS4 infrastructure - human waste; suspected to potential)

Possible -

45 - Faecal sterols analysis for the identification of human faecal pollution in a non-sewered catchment.

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http://publicationslist.org/data/w.ahmed/ref-14/Daryle_s%20article_%20WST_revised%20version.pdf

Purpose - To identify human faecal pollution in a non-sewered catchment using faecal sterols.

Results - In this study, faecal sterol analysis was used to identify the presence of human sourced faecal pollution or others (non-point sources) in two adjacent creeks of North Maroochy Catchment. It appears that stanols concentrations generally increased with increased catchment runoff. After moderate rainfall, high coprostanols levels found in water samples indicated human faecal pollution and defective septic systems are the most likely sources of pollution. The human signal was traced on one occasion to a defective septic system. In contrast, it appears that during dry weather human faecal pollution is not occurring in the study catchment.

Sources:

Probable – Septic (sewage infrastructure),

Potential –

Possible -

124 - Ecological Control of Fecal Indicator Bacteria in an Urban Stream

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<http://lshs.tamu.edu/docs/lshs/end-notes/ecological%20control%20of%20fecal%20indicator%20bacteria%20in%20an%20urban%20stream-1429959691/ecological%20control%20of%20fecal%20indicator%20bacteria%20in%20an%20urban%20stream.pdf>

Purpose - Determine the source(s) of elevated FIB concentrations in Cucamonga Creek, a concrete-lined urban stream in southern California. Flow in the creek consists primarily of treated and disinfected wastewater effluent, mixed with relatively smaller but variable flow of runoff from the surrounding urban landscape.

Results - Mass and volume balance calculations indicate that treated wastewater is not a significant source of FIB to Cucamonga Creek. Runoff from the urban landscape appears to be the primary source of FIB loading to Cucamonga Creek during both dry weather and wet weather periods. Observations from the study imply that DOC and FIB concentrations in runoff should co-vary, which is indeed the case both at Cucamonga Creek and in many agricultural and urban streams along the California coast. These results are not consistent with the hypothesis that FIB are static contaminants (like sediments or nutrients) with well-defined and land-use-specific export coefficients, as has been suggested for catchments in the United Kingdom. Rather, our data suggest that nonpoint source FIB impairments in southern California are best viewed as an ecological phenomenon, in which a dynamic balance between FIB sources, nutrient availability, competition with other heterotrophic bacteria, and predator prevalence determines the magnitude and extent of FIB pollution and its human health implications.

Sources:

Probable – Non-specific Source (Human Waste), Domestic animals (dogs), Secondary Wildlife (birds)

Potential –

Possible -

50 - B Street/Broadway Piers, Downtown Anchorage, and Switzer Creek Storm Drain Characterization Study

Tetra Tech, City of San Diego

Purpose - To further characterize the City's storm drain system discharges during both wet and dry weather. This monitoring program evaluated the potential sources of the pollutants-of-concern (POCs) throughout the MS4 system and collected data to calibrate and validate preliminary wet weather runoff modeling efforts for the San Diego Bay TMDLs.

Results - Bacteria concentrations from residential land use site DBR01 are higher than commercial land use site DBC02. The differences in bacteria concentrations across land use sampling sites were compared using t-test or Mann-Whitney Rank Sum test if data do not meet normality test. The results suggested significant difference in concentrations between the two sampling sites for both events and for all three microbiological parameters. Higher concentrations were found at the residential site (DBR01) than the commercial land use site (DBC02).

Sources:

Probable – Residential (Land use)

Potential – Commercial (Land use)

Possible -

53 - Chollas Storm Drain Characterization Study

Tetra Tech, City of San Diego

Purpose - To further characterize the City's storm drain system discharges during both wet and dry weather. This monitoring program evaluated the potential sources of the pollutants-of-concern (POCs) throughout the MS4 system and collected data to calibrate and validate preliminary wet weather runoff modeling efforts for the San Diego Bay TMDLs.

Results - The measured enterococcus and coliform concentrations generally showed large variations. The enterococcus concentrations showed a number of exceedances of the basin action level at a number of sites including several commercial and industrial sites and two residential sites. Fecal coliform concentrations were generally below action levels, with a few industrial and residential sites showing some exceedances. Total coliform concentrations showed a large number of exceedances at seven out of the ten sampling sites. The difference in bacteria concentrations across land use sampling sites was compared based on median concentrations and using the Mann-Whitney Rank Sum test (Table 7-4). The results suggested significant difference in concentrations among the sampling sites for both events and for all three microbiological parameters. Higher concentrations were found at two commercial (CHC07 and CHC12), industrial (CHI08) and two residential sites (CHR03 and CHR04).

Sources:

Probable – Commercial/Industrial (anthropogenic non-human sources; potential to probable), Commercial and industrial (land use)

Potential – Residential (land use)

Possible -

9 - Using Microbial Source Tracking to Support TMDL Development and Implementation

Tetra Tech, Inc. and Herrera Environmental Consultants

Purpose - Provides an overview of Microbial Source Tracking (MST) and how it can be used to support TMDL development and implementation. The document covers potential uses of MST, descriptions of common MST methods, factors for selecting an MST method and designing an MST study, and examples of MST studies used to support TMDL development or implementation.

Results – ID Study: The Bacteroides PCR results generally supported the PFGE results that wildlife was the predominant source of fecal bacteria in the sampled streams. The genetic fingerprinting showed that greater than 10 percent of the total E. coli colonies isolated were from dogs, and cats were almost 20 percent. In addition, there were two days on lower Hauser Creek when Idaho's primary contact water quality criterion for E. coli was exceeded, during which dogs were the source of over 40 percent of the isolates. Horses and cattle each did not exceed 10 percent of the total E. coli isolates; however, horses were greater than 15 percent of the E. coli isolates. Although humans made up 11 percent of the total E. coli colonies isolated on Right Fork Hauser Creek, only one E. coli colony was isolated from water samples collected on days when the water quality criterion was exceeded.

OR: Results indicated widespread contamination from ruminants (non-elk) and, in certain river segments of the Trask, Miami, and Tillamook Rivers and Holden Creek, significant contamination from humans.

NM: Overall, ribotyping results show the largest fraction of *E. coli* matched those found in avian sources, followed by canine, human/sewage, rodents, bovine, and equine. The source of approximately 9 percent of the *E. coli* could not be identified.

VA: MST Results indicate majority of sources derive from wildlife and livestock, followed by humans, and then pets.

NH: Ribotyping identified source species for 76% (19/25) of the *E. coli* isolates in the water samples. The remaining isolates (24%) could not be matched with certainty to patterns in the ribopattern database. Of the identified isolates, geese constituted the largest portion (52%) followed by livestock [sheep (12%) and cows (4%) for a total of 16%] and dogs (8%).

MI: During dry conditions, the human biomarker was present at all sites, except one site. The results were always negative for the human biomarker, giving a strong indication that *E. coli* from human sources was not impacting this site during dry conditions. Positive results for the other sites suggest that there are dry-weather sources of *E. coli* of human origin. These human sources of *E. coli* could include cross-connections between the sanitary and storm sewer systems, illicit discharges to storm sewers, failed on-site sewage disposal systems, and leaking sanitary sewers.

SD: Among the isolates for which the source could be identified, 26% were equine (horse) and 30% were ovine (sheep). Other identified animal sources include porcine (pig), bovine (cow), canine (dog), feline (cat) and human. Based on review of available information and communication with state and local authorities, the primary nonpoint sources of fecal coliform within the Beaver Creek watershed include agricultural runoff, as well as wildlife and human sources. Septic systems are assumed to be the primary human source of bacteria loads to Beaver Creek. The HSPF model was used to determine the contribution of fecal coliform bacteria from identified sources in the Beaver Creek watershed and evaluate the implementation of BMPs to control these sources.

Sources:

Probable – Geese (NH), avian (NM)

Potential – Non-specific source (human waste – NM, OR), sewage infrastructure (MI), illegal connections, domestic animals (NH, ID, NM), agriculture (OR), secondary wildlife (ID)

Possible -

37 - Monitoring Report for Bacterial Source Tracking Segments 0806, 0841, and 0805 of the Trinity River Bacteria TMDL

Texas Institute for Applied Environmental Research (TIAER)

http://repositories1.lib.utexas.edu/bitstream/handle/2152/7038/crwr_onlinereport08-08.pdf?sequence=2

Purpose - This report includes information on study area, characteristics, materials and methods of bacterial source tracking, and results and findings of the source tracking study.

Results – Overall, each of the source contributors showed a definite trend, whether positive or negative, as one moves downstream from Segment 0806, through Segment 0841, and into Segment 0805. The categories did show consistencies in source species. The avian category was consistently dominated by non waterfowl species, while the livestock category's contribution was shared by bovine and horses. Mammalian wildlife was found to be high in rodent species and raccoons, while the pet category was found to be consistently led by dogs.

Sources:

Probable – Non-specific source (human waste – potential to probable)

Potential - Pets and livestock, avian and mammals (wildlife)

Possible -

149 - Assessment of the Origins of Microbiological Contamination of Groundwater at a Rural Watershed in Chile

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<http://www.scielo.org.mx/pdf/agro/v43n4/v43n4a10.pdf>

Purpose - To improve the state of knowledge on the microbiological quality of groundwater at a rural watershed. Characterize the microbiological quality of the groundwater and to identify sources of contamination.

Results - The main source of fecal contamination is of animal origin, a diffuse one. Concentrations of bacterial indicators have a temporal basis showing variable levels among seasons, with a higher concentration in the rainy one. All 42 wells analyzed contained opportunistic pathogens.

167 - Bacterial pathogens in Hawaiian coastal streams-Associations with fecal indicators, land cover, and water quality

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<http://www.sciencedirect.com/science/article/pii/S0043135411001448>

Purpose - To understand the distribution of five bacterial pathogens in O'ahu coastal streams and relate their presence to microbial indicator concentrations, land cover of the surrounding watersheds, and physical-chemical measures of stream water quality.

Results - Results implicate streams as a source of pathogens to coastal waters. Future work is recommended to determine infectious risks of recreational waterborne illness related to O'ahu stream exposures and to mitigate these risks through control of land-based runoff sources.

146 - EFFECTS OF RUNOFF CONTROLS ON THE QUANTITY AND QUALITY OF URBAN RUNOFF AT TWO LOCATIONS IN AUSTIN, TEXAS

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<http://pubs.usgs.gov/wri/1987/4004/report.pdf>

Purpose - Determine if the rapid urban development in the Austin metropolitan area is causing an increase in the peak discharges from storm runoff and the degradation of the quality in receiving waters.

Results - Loads of most constituents and total densities of bacteria at the mall site were substantially larger in the inflow than in the outflow. The total densities of bacteria at the outflow were less by about 80 percent. Discharge weighted concentration data for Alta Vista indicate that the grass-covered swales and the grass-covered detention area had little or no effects on reducing concentrations or densities of most water-quality constituents.

Sources:

Probable – Residential, Industrial and Commercial Land Use(street, lawn and parking lot runoff)

Potential -

Possible -

14 - Tecolote Creek Microbial Source Tracking Summary Phases I, II, and III

Weston Solutions

Purpose - To investigate the bacterial sources, origins, and loads in the Tecolote Creek watershed and to assess and characterize specific priority activity contributions.

Results – Wet weather bacteria loads from individual land uses indicated that there were no significant differences between different land uses with flows merging and combining throughout drainage areas. There was some indication that higher loads were attributable to transportation corridors, commercial areas, and industrial land uses. Dry weather loads were higher in residential and commercial areas with specific activities identified as including poorly maintained dumpsters leaking high concentrations of indicator bacteria. A key transport mechanism found especially in commercial and industrial areas was over-irrigation. Residential areas were found to be abiding by water conservation recommendations, but this was not seen in commercial and industrial areas.

During dry weather, five positive *Bacteroides* samples were obtained. Each follow-up investigation failed to locate a point source; however, in every instance there was evidence of transient human activity. During wet weather, only 1 sample from a total of 37 samples collected over 9 storms was found to be positive for *Bacteroides*. This sample was collected during the early phase of the storm flows in an area known to be a transient area.

Biofilms on the walls of the MS4 system in particular were found to grow rapidly and contain high numbers of enterococci. Speciation of these enterococci determined that the origins were most likely environmental rather than fecal. Further investigation determined that the storm water, with high numbers of enterococci of fecal origin, was the primary inoculation mechanism but that biofilms matured rapidly into complex communities with a variety of species present. The high flows generated during wet weather were found to cause significant biofilm sloughing. The impact of biofilms on wet weather loads of indicator bacteria into receiving waters would

appear to be significant. Sediments and biofilms within the creek and MS4 system were found to be significant reservoirs.

Sources:

Probable - Biofilm (MS4 Infrastructure), Sediment and biofilms in Tecolote Creek, Sediment and biofilms in MS4 Infrastructure

Potential - MS4 Infrastructure (anthropogenic non-human sources) Land use (residential, commercial, schools, restaurants, nurseries, golf course, livestock & domestic animal, industrial, Open space/Parks/Recreation, transportation corridors)

Possible -

52 - Dry Weather Bacterial Source Identification Study in the Mouth of Chollas Creek

Weston Solutions and the City of San Diego

Purpose - 1. What are the sources and magnitudes of dry weather urban runoff and associated indicator bacteria that influence water quality at the mouth of Chollas Creek?

2. What BMPs may be put in place to reduce or eliminate the influence of dry weather urban runoff at the mouth of Chollas Creek?

Results - During dry weather, there is no hydrologic connection between the mouth of Chollas Creek (the area influenced by tidal action) and the upstream drainage. Thus, bacteria found in the receiving waters of the creek mouth originate from sources that discharge directly to the mouth (i.e., storm drains). The highest bacterial concentrations were associated with the two storm drains near the National Avenue Bridge. Concentrations of indicator bacteria associated with the other identified storm drains were lower, but still contributed to elevated concentrations in the receiving water in the south fork and main stem, respectively. Two sources of flow that contributed to the high bacterial concentrations were identified as (1) over-irrigation of landscaping at the strip mall located at National Avenue and 35th Street and (2) a freshwater slough adjacent to a freeway off ramp that periodically discharges to a storm drain in the south fork of the creek.

Sources:

Probable - Storm drains and scour ponds at storm drain outlet; MS4 infrastructure; human waste), over-irrigation (landscaping)

Potential – Non-specific source (Freshwater slough; non-anthropogenic)

Possible -

54 - Regional Harbor Monitoring Program Pilot Project 2005-08 Summary Final Report

Weston Solutions and the City of San Diego

Purpose - The core monitoring program assesses the conditions found in the harbors based on comparisons to historical reference values for the four harbors and comparisons of contaminant concentrations to known surface water and sediment thresholds using chemistry, bacterial, toxicology, and benthic infaunal community indicators.

Results - Based on the results of the Pilot Project, the following statements can be made: 1) All bacterial concentrations were well below AB 411 levels, 2) The majorities of the marina and

freshwater-influenced strata contained sediments that were not toxic, 3) Benthic infaunal communities in both strata occurred at intermediate levels of disturbance, 4) Toxicity levels in the marina sediments generally were better than harbor-wide historical conditions, 5) Toxicity levels and benthic infaunal communities did not differ between the two strata, and 6) From 2005-2007, no negative short-term trends were evident for any indicator that would be indicative of a degrading condition.

70 - 2009-2010 Coastal Storm Drain Monitoring Annual Report

Weston Solutions, Inc. and County of San Diego Copermittees

Purpose - To determine the impacts that storm drains have on coastal receiving waters.

Results - There were a total of 28 exceedances of the total coliform storm drain action level. Twelve sites had at least one exceedance for total coliform, of which 3 had a total coliform exceedance on multiple dates.

Sources:

Probable – Cats

Potential –Cows, horses, fox, cormorants,

Possible – Non-specific source (human waste), gulls (secondary wildlife), Wildlife (muskrats, raccoons, coyotes, rabbits, turkeys and geese)

74 - MICROBIAL SOURCE TRACKING IN TWO SOUTHERN MAINE WATERSHEDS Report Number: MSG-TR-04-03 March 2004 Merriland River, Branch Brook and Little River (MBLR) Watershed Report

Kristen Whiting-Grant, F. Dillon, C. Dalton, Dr. M. Dionne, and Dr. S. Jones

Purpose - This study focuses on the Merriland River, Branch Brook and Little River (MBLR) watershed in Wells, Kennebunk and Sanford Maine, where chronic and persistent bacterial contamination from unidentified sources has restricted shellfish harvesting.

Results - Cats were the most frequently identified single source of bacterial contamination (21%); followed by cow (11%); fox (7%); cormorant (5%); human, rabbit, muskrat, horse and gull (all at 3%); turkey (2%); and goose, raccoon, coyote and dog (all at 1%). Also note that ribotypes for 35% of the bacteria samples analyzed by JEL could not be identified, which is to say that no clear matches could be established between ribotypes of known source species and ribotypes from unknown water samples.

Sources:

Probable – Cats

Potential –Cows, horses, fox, cormorants,

Possible – Non-specific source (human waste), gulls (secondary wildlife), Wildlife (muskrats, raccoons, coyotes, rabbits, turkeys and geese)

64 - Microbial Source Tracking in the Dungeness Watershed, Washington

D.L. Woodruff, N.K. Sather, V.I. Cullinan, and S.L. Sargeant

Purpose - To determine the sources of fecal coliform pollution that have been impacting the water quality and shellfish harvesting activities for more than a decade.

Results – The predominant sources of fecal coliform contamination in the Dungeness from all matrix types (e.g. water, sediment, wrack) in the freshwater and marine environments were, in rank order, avian (19.6%), gull (12.5%), waterfowl (9.7%), raccoon (9.2%), unknown (7.3%), human-derived (7.1%), rodent (6.3%) and dog (4.3%). When bird groups were combined, they represented in total about 42% of samples collected and analyzed throughout the study.

Sources:

Probable – Wildlife,

Potential - Non-specific source (human waste), domestic animals,

Possible -

44 - Quantitative Pathogen Detection and MST Combined with modeling of fate and transport of Bacteroidales in San Pablo Bay.

Stefan Wuertz, F. Bombardelli, K. Sirikanchana, A. Schriewer, and Z. Kaveh

Purpose - To develop a decision-making tool in the form of a 3-D model to benefit coastal managers both in terms of pinpointing major sources of fecal pollution and maximizing the usefulness of any monitoring activity.

Results – Monitoring results indicated low-level general and human-derived fecal contamination in the bay, while cow- and dog-derived contamination was not detected, except for one sample which contained dog-specific genetic marker. Human viruses were also below the sample detection limit. The pollution was more likely to come from surrounding urban areas or wastewater treatment facilities than from agricultural farm land or wildlife areas.

Sources:

Probable – Non-specific source (human waste),

Potential -

Possible – Dogs and cows

232 - Indicator organism sources and coastal water quality: a catchment study on the island of Jersey

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<http://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pubmed/7730205>

Purpose - Compliance monitoring of bathing waters at La Grève de Lecq on the North coast of Jersey revealed a significant deterioration in water quality between 1992 and 1993, as indexed by presumptive coliform, presumptive *Escherichia coli* and streptococci concentrations. During the 1993 bathing season the beach failed to attain the compliance with the EC Guideline criteria for presumptive *E. coli* and streptococci.

Results - A bacteriological survey of the stream catchment draining to the beach revealed that: (i) concentrations of faecal indicator organisms were enhanced at high discharge after rainfall; and (ii) a captive water fowl population, which expanded between 1990 and 1993, was a potential source of faecal pollution.

233 - Beach sands along the California coast are diffuse sources of fecal bacteria to coastal waters

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<http://pubs.acs.org/doi/abs/10.1021/es062822n>

Purpose - The potential for FIB to be transported from the sand to sea was investigated at a single wave-sheltered beach with high densities of ENT in beach sand

Results - We collected samples of exposed and submerged sands as well as water over a 24 h period in order to compare the disappearance or appearance of ENT in sand and the water column. Exposed sands had significantly higher densities of ENT than submerged sands with the highest densities located near the high tide line. Water column ENT densities began low, increased sharply during the first flood tide and slowly decreased over the remainder of the study. During the first flood tide, the number of ENT that entered the water column was nearly equivalent to the number of ENT lost from exposed sands when they were submerged by seawater. The decrease in nearshore ENT concentrations after the initial influx can be explained by ENT die-off and dilution with clean ocean water. While some ENT in the water and sand at LP might be of human origin because they were positive for the *esp* gene, others lacked the *esp* gene and were therefore equivocal with respect to their origin.

58 - High-Throughput and Quantitative Procedure for Determining Sources of *Escherichia coli* in Waterways by Using Host-Specific DNA Marker Genes

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<http://aem.asm.org/content/73/3/890.full.pdf+html>

Purpose - The objective of the study was to evaluate a high-throughput, semi-automated, quantitative procedure for determining sources of *E. coli* in waterways by using host-specific DNA marker genes of geese and ducks and robot-assisted high-throughput technology. Although the objective was to evaluate the method, the seasonal goose/duck population as a bacteria source was evaluated at 2 lakes frequented with migratory goose/duck populations and an additional lake that is not frequented by migratory goose

Results - The relative contributions of fecal *E.coli* from the geese/ducks were estimated to be 34% and 51% in Lake Superior and Lake Calhoun, respectively and 0.28% at Lake Hartwell (which has no migratory goose population)

Sources:

Probable – Wildlife (Lake Calhoun, Lake Superior),

Potential -

Possible–Wildlife (Lake Hartwell which has no migratory goose populations)

NSC (Not Source Characterization) Studies

137 - Relationship between rainfall and beach bacterial concentrations on Santa Monica Bay beaches

Drew Ackerman and S. B. Weisberg

http://www.sccwrp.org:8060/pub/download/DOCUMENTS/AnnualReports/2001_02AnnualReport/18_ar37-drew.pdf

Purpose - To enhance the scientific foundation for preemptive public health warnings, examine the relationship between rainfall and beach indicator bacteria concentrations using five years of fecal coliform data taken daily at 20 sites in southern California.

Results - There was a clear relationship between the incidence of rainfall and reduction in beach bacterial water quality in Los Angeles County. Bacterial concentrations remained elevated for five days following a storm, although they generally returned to levels below state water quality standards within three days. The length of the antecedent dry period had a minimal effect on this relationship, probably reflecting a quickly developing equilibrium between the decay of older fecal material and the introduction of new fecal material to the landscape.

175 - Persistence and potential growth of the fecal indicator bacteria, *Escherichia coli* in shoreline sand at Lake Huron

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Purpose - This study was initiated to test the hypothesis that high abundances of the fecal indicator *Escherichia coli* in shoreline sand at freshwater beaches can be explained, at least in part, by the ability of *E. coli* to persist and grow in beach sand.

Results - In controlled laboratory microcosm studies using autoclaved beach sand inoculated with *E. coli* strains previously isolated from ambient beach sand, *E. coli* densities increased from 2 CFU/g to more than 2×10^5 CFU/g sand after 2 days of incubation at 19°C, and remained above 2×10^5 CFU/g for at least 35 days. In field studies utilizing similarly inoculated beach sand in diffusion chambers incubated at a Lake Huron beach, *E. coli* also grew rapidly, reaching high densities (approximately 7.5×10^5 CFU/g), and persisting in a cultivable state at high density for at least 48 days. In comparison, *E. coli* levels in ambient beach sand adjacent to the chambers always had densities <100 CFU/g. Lake Huron beach sand clearly provides nutrients, temperatures, and other conditions needed to support growth of *E. coli*. The growth of *E. coli* in sterile sand diffusion chambers to higher levels than occurs in ambient beach sand may indicate the presence in ambient sand of biological controls on bacterial growth, such as predation or competition.

59 - Host Species-Specific Metabolic Fingerprint Database for Enterococci and *Escherichia coli* and Its Application to Identify Sources of Fecal Contamination in Surface Waters

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<http://aem.asm.org/content/71/8/4461.full.pdf+html>

Purpose - To characterize two fecal indicator bacteria, enterococci and *E. coli*, from different host groups (i.e., animal species) to develop a metabolic fingerprint database to identify the source(s) of fecal contamination in a creek in Australia.

Results - Out of 27 water samples: 10% of the biochemical phenotypes (BPT) found for enterococci belonged to human origin, 61% belonged to animals tested. 13% of the BPTs found for *E. coli* belonged to human origin and 54% belonged to animals tested. The remaining BPT found for Enterococci and *E. coli* belonged to BPTs shared between humans and animals or did not match database

Sources:

Probable –Septic (human waste), animal farms (domestic animals), animal farms (agriculture),

Potential -

Possible -

80 - Persistence and Differential Survival of Fecal Indicator Bacteria in Subtropical Waters and Sediments

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<http://aem.asm.org/content/71/6/3041.full.pdf+html>

Purpose - Fecal coliforms and enterococci are indicator organisms used worldwide to monitor water quality. These bacteria are used in microbial source tracking (MST) studies, which attempt to assess the contribution of various host species to fecal pollution in water. Ideally, all strains of a given indicator organism (IO) would experience equal persistence (maintenance of culturable populations) in water; however, some strains may have comparatively extended persistence outside the host, while others may persist very poorly in environmental waters. Assessment of the relative contribution of host species to fecal pollution would be confounded by differential persistence of strains.

Results - IO persistence according to mesocosm treatment followed the trend: contaminated soil > wastewater > dog feces. *E. coli* ribotyping demonstrated that certain strains were more persistent than others in freshwater mesocosms, and the distribution of ribotypes sampled from mesocosm waters was dissimilar from the distribution in fecal material. These results have implications for the accuracy of MST methods, modeling of microbial populations in water, and efficacy of regulatory standards for protection of water quality. Saltwater had a negative effect on FC persistence, as the decay rates of FC (all inoculum sources combined) in saltwater sediments and water column were greater than those in freshwater. Saltwater also significantly increased enterococcal decay rates compared to freshwater. IO persistence tended to be greater in sediments than in the water column. The average decay rate of FC in sediments of freshwater mesocosms was significantly less than those in the water column, and the difference was nearly significantly at the $\alpha = 0.05$ level in saltwater ($P = 0.083$). Although decay rates of enterococci tended to be greater in the water column than in sediments, the difference was not significant in freshwater or saltwater mesocosms.

176 - Persistence and differential survival of fecal indicator bacteria in subtropical waters and sediments

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Purpose - This study utilized mesocosms designed to simulate natural conditions, which were inoculated with fecal material, to test the hypothesis that certain *E. coli* phylotypes exhibit greater persistence than others in aquatic environments.

Results - This study demonstrated a high degree of variability in the response of fecal indicator organisms to stresses in aquatic environments on all levels investigated. Responses to water type (saline versus fresh), location (sediment versus water column), and inoculum type all varied within and between indicator bacterial groups (FC and ENT). The discrepant results emphasize the difficulties encountered in attempting to regulate diverse types of water bodies by one regulatory standard. Also cautionary is the persistence of indicator organisms in sediments, which leads to elevation of their densities and a false indication of recent pollution in the water column after events such as rain storms, construction, or recreational use.

130 - LEVELS OF FECAL INDICATOR BACTERIA AT DOG BEACH AND NEARBY COASTAL BEACHES OF THE CITY OF SAN DIEGO, CA

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http://www.sandiegoriver.org/documents/baum_final_thesis.pdf

Purpose - An analysis of historical County of San Diego microbial marine water quality was conducted to quantitatively compare the levels of fecal indicator bacteria (FIB) levels at Dog Beach, located at the San Diego River Outlet, and nearby coastal beaches. Additionally, this study aimed to determine if relationships existed between daily average river flow/daily precipitation and FIB densities at Dog Beach and nearby coastal beach stations and if significant associations existed between daily precipitation and FIB single sample exceedances.

Results - The study found the strongest association between river flow, precipitation, and TC levels to be at river discharge points during wet months, but no significant association was found during dry weather. The study demonstrated that using a stratified-random sampling design, urban runoff outlets are a primary source of contaminated runoff with 90% of sites near urban runoff outlets failing water quality standards.

81 - Integrated Analysis of Established and Novel Microbial and Chemical Methods for Microbial Source Tracking

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Purpose - The objectives of the present study were (i) to determine the most discriminant tracers showing wide and consistent geographical stability between all locations, (ii) to identify subsets of variables derived from tracers with the highest discriminant capacity, and (iii) to evaluate and

compare statistical or machine learning methods to develop predictive models for source tracking using the minimum number of these variables. In this multilaboratory study, different microbial and chemical indicators were analyzed in order to distinguish human fecal sources from nonhuman fecal sources using wastewaters and slurries from diverse geographical areas within Europe.

Results - Fecal coliforms, enterococci, clostridia, somatic coliphages, and total bifidobacteria were detected in almost all samples (other than a single sample in the case of total bifidobacteria) of both human and animal origin. They were more abundant in the animal samples than in the human samples, but this seems to be due to the higher fecal load of these samples, since relative densities were similar in both groups of samples.

21 - Enterococci Concentrations in Diverse Coastal Environments Exhibit Extreme Variability

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Purpose - The study examines extreme temporal variations (periods between 1 min and 24 h) in FIB concentrations in diverse marine coastal environments ranging from wave-sheltered to wave-exposed open ocean beaches.

Results - The high frequency variability indicates that regardless of sampling time, a single sample of water tells one little about the true water quality, so multiple samples need to be collected. If it is not feasible to collect multiple samples, then a spatially or temporally composited sample will improve the estimate of the true water quality.

157 - Methicillin-resistant Staphylococcus aureus (MRSA) in municipal wastewater: an uncharted threat?

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<http://www.mendeley.com/research/methicillinresistant-staphylococcus-aureus-mrsa-in-municipal-wastewater-an-uncharted-threat/#page-1>

Purpose - (i) To cultivate methicillin-resistant Staphylococcus aureus (MRSA) from a full-scale wastewater treatment plant (WWTP), (ii) To characterize the indigenous MRSA-flora, (iii) To investigate how the treatment process affects clonal distribution and (iv) to examine the genetic relation between MRSA from wastewater and clinical MRSA.

Results - MRSA could be isolated on all sampling occasions, but only from inlet and activated sludge. The number of isolates and diversity of MRSA were reduced by the treatment process, but there are indications that the process was selected for strains with more extensive antibiotic resistance and PVL+ strains. The wastewater MRSA-flora had a close genetic relationship to clinical isolates, most likely reflecting carriage in the community.

158 - A seasonal study of the mecA gene and Staphylococcus aureus including methicillin-resistant S. aureus in a municipal wastewater treatment plant

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<http://www.loudounnats.org/pdf/09WRAseasonalstudyofmecASaureusandMRSAinafull-scaleWWTP.pdf>

Purpose - Determine the effect of wastewater treatment processes on mecA gene concentrations, and the prevalence of S. aureus and MRSA over time. To achieve this a municipal wastewater treatment plant was investigated for the mecA gene, S. aureus and MRSA, using real-time PCR assays

Results - Using molecular methods and cultivation, MRSA was for the first time detected in a municipal activated sludge and trickling filter WWTP, but mainly in the early treatment steps, IN, PS and AS. The mecA gene and S. aureus could be detected throughout the year at all sampling sites. The wastewater treatment process reduces mecA gene concentrations, which can partly be explained by removal of biomass.

140 - Particle Associated Microorganisms in Stormwater Runoff

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<http://www.epa.gov/ORD/NRMRL/pubs/600j03262/600j03262.pdf>

Purpose - Investigate the effects of blending and chemical addition before analysis of the concentration of microorganisms in stormwater runoff play a significant role.

Results - Particle-associated microorganisms play an important, if often unmeasured, portion of the total organism count in stormwater. All organisms, except for E. coli, showed an increase in the measured concentration after blending samples at 22,000 rpm with or without the chemical mixture. Other than fecal streptococci, the organism concentrations decreased with the addition of the Camper's solution in both blended and unblended samples before analyses. There was a statistically significant interaction between the effects of Camper's solution and the effects of blending for all the organisms tested, except for total coliform. Blending did not alter the mean particle size significantly. The results show no correlation between increased total coliform, fecal coliform, and fecal streptococcus concentrations and the mean particle size.

87 - Direct comparison of four bacterial source tracking methods and use of composite data sets

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Purpose - (i) To compare the identification ability of the four BST methods individually and in combination through the use of composite data sets and (ii) to evaluate the use of the developed data sets for the identification of faecal contamination sources in two Central Texas lakes suspected of being impacted by agricultural operations and dairy cattle.

Results - Best matching identification using the composite data set correctly identified 100% of the replicate QC cultures (precision), and had 100% accuracy for E. coli strain and source class

identification of the isolates. Therefore, the four-method composite performed better than any single method.

154 - Removal of bacterial indicators of fecal contamination in urban stormwater using a natural riparian buffer

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http://www.lmtf.org/FoLM/Plans/Water/VistaGrande/Casteetal_10icud_paper.PDF

Purpose - Determine if riparian buffers are able to remove bacterial indicators of fecal contamination and other microbial contaminants from intermittent, high-volume flows such as those encountered during storm events in heavily urbanized areas.

Results - Analysis of lake water showed that levels of *Escherichia coli* and total coliforms increased significantly during storm events, indicating the presence of nonpoint sources of fecal contamination in the area surrounding the lake.

134 - Population structure and persistence of *Escherichia coli* in ditch sediments and water in the Seven Mile Creek Watershed

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http://conservancy.umn.edu/bitstream/108879/1/Chandrasekaran_Ramyavardhanee_May2011.pdf

Purpose - Examined the population structure of *E. coli* and determined whether ditch sediments can serve as reservoirs of environmental *E. coli* in the Seven Mile Creek (SMC) watershed, a minor watershed located in south central Minnesota

Results - Further analysis of the count data revealed a strong correlation between *E. coli* concentrations and temperature profile at the SMC. *E. coli* densities in SMC water samples exceeded the permissible Minnesota standard (126 CFU/100 ml) predominantly during summer and fall seasons. In addition to temperature, rainfall also drastically influenced the dynamics and distribution of *E. coli* populations at the SMC. Results suggest that the seasonal variation in *E. coli* counts observed in water and sediments are most likely related to temperature, rainfall, and the patchy distribution of *E. coli* within sampling locations

88 - Relative Decay of Bacteroidales Microbial Source Tracking Markers and Cultivated *Escherichia coli* in Freshwater Microcosms

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Purpose - Fecal indicator bacteria (FIB), commonly used to regulate sanitary water quality, cannot discriminate among sources of contamination. The use of alternative quantitative PCR (qPCR) methods for monitoring fecal contamination or microbial source tracking requires an understanding of relationships with cultivate FIB, as contamination ages under various conditions in the environment. In this study, the decay rates of three Bacteroidales 16S rRNA gene markers (AllBac for general contamination and qHF183 and BacHum for human-associated contamination) were compared with the decay rate of cultivated *Escherichia coli* in river water microcosms spiked with human wastewater.

Results - A major finding of this study was that HF marker decay was consistent with, or significantly faster than, that of E. coli under all treatments. This indicates that the HF markers might be useful as conservative estimators of human origin E. coli even as fecal contamination ages in the environment.

118 - Bacteriological Quality of Runoff Water from Pastureland

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<http://aem.asm.org/content/37/5/985.abstract>

Purpose - Determine the bacteriological characteristics of pasture runoff and to compare them with runoff from an ungrazed area.

Results - We found no relationship between FC and FS counts in rainfall runoff and either rainfall or total runoff for most events. Bacteriological quality of snowmelt runoff. During the 3-year study, there were 10 snowmelt runoff events-two in 1976 and 8 in 1978. The levels of TC in snowmelt runoff from both grazed and ungrazed pasture areas exceeded recommended water quality standards. FC counts, often considered a better index of fecal contamination, were within recommended standards.

89 - Microbial source tracking using host specific FAME profiles of fecal coliforms

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<http://www.prairieswine.com/pdf/3397.pdf>

Purpose - The objective of this study was to investigate the host-specific differences in fatty acid methyl ester (FAME) profiles of fecal coliforms (FC).

Results - The results presented here provide further evidence that FAME profiles of indicator organisms have statistically significant host specificity and suggest that these differences may be useful in predicting sources of microbial pollution in water environments. However, more research is needed to determine the mechanisms causing the host specificity and to assess the possible temporal and spatial variations in FAME profiles before FAME can be applied in the field.

183 - Quantitative evaluation of enterococci and Bacteroidales released by adults and toddlers in marine water

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<http://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pmc/articles/PMC2761526/>

Purpose - The main objectives of the this study were to measure shedding of enterococci and Bacteroidales using traditional and emerging laboratory methods, and to evaluate shedding from toddlers and adults. The added value of the current study was the evaluation of shedding from toddlers (all prior studies used adult volunteers), and the use of additional methods of fecal indicator bacteria analyses (i.e. enterococci by CS and qPCR, and Bacteroidales by qPCR) as no data are available which directly measure fecal indicator bacteria shedding using these alternate methods.

Results - Human bathers have the potential to release significant amounts of fecal indicator bacteria into the water column via direct shedding off their body and via sand transported by their skin. Direct shedding from the body can include releases from fecally contaminated body areas and skin, and releases from fecally contaminated diapers. In this study, the quantity of enterococci released was a function of bathing cycle, sand exposure, beach sand contamination levels, and microbial flora variations between swimmers.

182 - Quantitative evaluation of bacteria released by bathers in a marine water

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<http://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pmc/articles/PMC2633726/>

Purpose - This study focused on estimating the amounts of enterococci and *S. aureus* shed by bathers directly off their skin and indirectly via sand adhered to skin.

Results - This study demonstrated that bathers shed significant concentrations of enterococci and *S. aureus* into the water column and that *S. aureus* was shed at concentrations at least one order of magnitude greater than enterococci. This study also showed that total enterococci and *S. aureus* released by bathers decreased significantly between bathing episodes, in particular after the first wash cycle. This conclusion agrees with the long standing universal requirement that bathers should shower before entering recreational waters to reduce the microbial load in particular at swimming pools since the water volume is limited. It is concluded from this study that the enterococci contribution from sand adhered to skin, was small relative to the amount shed directly from the skin and represented less than 5% of the total enterococci shed by bathers.

159 - Staphylococcus aureus and fecal indicators in Egyptian coastal waters of Aqaba Gulf, Suez Gulf, and Red Sea

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http://www.nodc-egypt.org/contacts_files/vol-31-2/Volume%2031%20%282%29%202005.PDF/9/Text.pdf

Purpose - Study the hygienic status of Egyptian coastal waters of Aqaba Gulf, Suez Gulf and Red Sea. The possibility of using *S.aureus* as supplementary indicator to the conventional bacterial indicators was another goal.

Results - 107 samples (53.5 %) of the 200 total examined samples were found to harbour *S aureus* exceeding the aforementioned guide standards. The present results concluded that addition of *S. aureus* as supplementary indicator to the conventional fecal indications may be useful for judging the marine water quality in Red Sea region.

138 - Sediment Bacterial Indicators in an Urban Shellfishing Subestuary of the Lower Chesapeake Bay

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<http://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pmc/articles/PMC244041/pdf/aem00190-0106.pdf>

Purpose - Historically, the Lynnhaven, an urban shellfishing estuary of the lower Chesapeake Bay region, has been opened and closed periodically to shellfishing during the past 40 years due to high fecal coliform counts. Document the spatial and temporal distributions and compositions of bacteria in the sediments and overlying waters of an important urban shellfishing area in the lower Chesapeake Bay region, the Lynnhaven Estuary.

Results - Densities of all indicator bacteria were always significantly higher in the sediments than in the overlying subsurface waters. The major problems inherent in this system are nonpoint in their origin. The primary sources of the Lynnhaven's bacterial pollution appeared to be typical of urban and agricultural runoff, although failure of septic tank systems was suspected as a problem in the Lynnhaven's western branch. These results illustrated that sediments in shellfishing areas could serve as a reservoir for high densities of indicator bacteria and that, potentially, pathogens could pose a health hazard.

184 - Enumeration and speciation of enterococci found in marine and intertidal sediments and coastal water in southern California

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<http://www.ochealthinfo.com/docs/public/h2o/Enumeration-speciation.pdf>

Purpose - To determine the levels and species distribution of enterococci in intertidal and marine sediments and coastal waters at two beaches frequently in violation of bacterial water standards.

Results - High levels of *Enterococcus* in intertidal sediments indicate retention and possible regrowth in this environment. Significance and Impact of the Study: Re-suspension of enterococci that are persistent in sediments may cause beach water quality failures and calls into question the specificity of this indicator for determining recent faecal contamination.

90 - Comparison of *Bacteroides-Prevotella* 16S rRNA Genetic Markers for Fecal Samples from Different Animal Species

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<http://aem.asm.org/content/71/10/5999.full.pdf+html>

Purpose - The goals of this study were to compare *Bacteroides-Prevotella* populations from nine host species collected at multiple geographical locations and to determine if unique populations could be identified for each host species that could be used to develop markers for fecal source tracking.

Results - Results support the use of molecular techniques to characterize *Bacteroides-Prevotella* populations as a means to improve the ability to track sources of fecal contamination, but also show the need for more development of these methods.

186 - Abundance and characteristics of the recreational water quality indicator bacteria *Escherichia coli* and enterococci in gull faeces

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<http://cws.msu.edu/documents/FogartyetalJAM2003.pdf>

Purpose - To evaluate the numbers and selected phenotypic and genotypic characteristics of the faecal indicator bacteria *Escherichia coli* and enterococci in gull faeces at representative Great Lakes swimming beaches in the United States.

Results - Gull faeces could be a major contributor of *E. coli* (105–109 CFU g⁻¹) and enterococci (104– 108 CFU g⁻¹) to Great Lakes recreational waters. *E. coli* and enterococci in gull faeces are highly variable with respect to their genotypic and phenotypic characteristics and may exhibit temporal or geographic trends in these features.

162 - A preliminary investigation of fecal indicator bacteria, human pathogens, and source tracking markers in beach water and sand

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Purpose - Data suggesting that fecal indicating bacteria may persist and/or regrow in sand has raised concerns that fecal indicators may become uncoupled from sources of human fecal pollution. To investigate this possibility, wet and dry beach sand, beach water, riverine water, canal water, and raw sewage samples were screened by PCR for certain pathogenic microbes and molecular markers of human fecal pollution.

Results - Overall, this analysis pointed to the need to find better methods of extracting nucleic acids from environmental samples in order to reduce the possibility of false negative results. High quality nucleic acids need to be consistently and efficiently delivered to the detector system if the relationship between fecal indicators and human pathogens and human source tracking markers is to be elucidated.

93 - Comparing Wastewater Chemicals, Indicator Bacteria Concentrations, and Bacterial Pathogen Genes as Fecal Pollution Indicators

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<https://www.crops.org/publications/jeq/pdfs/38/1/248>

Purpose - Compare fecal indicator bacteria (FIB) (fecal coliforms, *Escherichia coli* [EC], and enterococci [ENT]) concentrations with a wide array of typical organic wastewater chemicals and selected bacterial genes as indicators of fecal pollution in water samples collected at or near 18 surface water drinking water intakes.

Results - In our study, which examined ambient waters in various land use environments with a wide range of FIB concentrations, fecal pollution was indicated by gene-based and/or chemical-based markers for 14 of the 18 tested samples, with little relation to FIB standards.

95 - Development of Goose- and Duck-Specific DNA Markers To Determine Sources of *Escherichia coli* in Waterways

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<http://aem.asm.org/content/72/6/4012.full.pdf+html>

Purpose - The development and validation of host source-specific genetic markers for *E. coli* strains originating from Canada geese (*Branta canadensis*).

Results - SSH was successfully used to identify seven DNA markers with high levels of hybridization specificity for *E. coli* strains originating from geese. Combined, the marker DNAs were capable of identifying about 76% of the goose *E. coli* strains examined and 73% of the duck *E. coli* strains examined.

192 - Waterfowl Abundance Does Not Predict the Dominant Avian Source of Beach *Escherichia coli*

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<https://www.soils.org/publications/jeq/abstracts/40/6/1924?access=0&view=pdf>

Purpose - The horizontal, fluorophore enhanced, rep-PCR (HFERP) DNA fingerprinting technique was used to identify potential sources of *Escherichia coli* in water, nearshore sand, and sediment at two beaches in the Duluth-Superior Harbor, near Duluth, MN, and Superior, WI, during May, July, and September 2006.

Results - Waterfowl, including Canada geese, ring-billed gulls, and mallard ducks, were the largest source of *E. coli* that could be identified in water (55–100%), sand (59–100%), and sediment (92–100%) at both beaches. Although ring-billed gulls were more abundant in this harbor, Canada geese were usually the dominant source of waterfowl *E. coli* found at these beaches.

96 - Validation and field testing of library-independent microbial source tracking methods in the Gulf of Mexico

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<http://www.usm.edu/bst/pdf/Water%20Res%202009.pdf>

Purpose - Standardize and validate MST methods across laboratories in coastal Gulf of Mexico states.

Results - An SOP was developed that allowed simultaneous purification of DNA for viral and bacterial markers, and gave comparable results among three laboratories. The method performance was generally similar whether it was conducted in buffer, fresh water or salt water; however, the human *Bacteroidales* method had a lower limit of detection in buffer and in salt water compared to fresh water.

97 - Fidelity of bacterial source tracking: *Escherichia coli* vs. *Enterococcus* spp. and minimizing assignment of isolates from non-library sources

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<http://onlinelibrary.wiley.com/doi/10.1111/j.1365-2672.2006.03077.x/pdf>

Purpose - Improve the fidelity of library-dependent bacterial source tracking efforts in determining sources of faecal pollution.

Results - The use of enterococci provides higher rates of correct source assignment compared with E. coli. The use of similarity thresholds to decide whether to accept source assignments made by computer programmes reduces the rate of mis-assignment of non-library isolates.

197 - Contact with beach sand among beachgoers and risk of illness

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<http://aje.oxfordjournals.org/content/170/2/164.full.pdf>

Purpose - The purpose of this study is to better understand the illness risk associated with beach sand that can harbor high concentrations of fecal indicator organisms, as well as fecal pathogens.

Results - The results of our study suggest that, among beachgoers participating in a large prospective cohort study at beaches nearby sewage treatment discharges, reported contact with beach sand (defined as either digging in the sand or having one's body buried in the sand) was associated with an elevated risk of enteric illnesses (gastrointestinal illness and diarrhea). Being buried in the sand was more strongly associated with enteric illness than was digging in the sand. We also observed a higher proportion of people who got sand in their mouth among those buried in the sand (40%) compared with those who dug in the sand (20%).

155 - The Impact of Rainfall on Fecal Coliform Bacteria in Bayou Dorcheat (North Louisiana)

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www.mdpi.com/1660-4601/3/1/114/pdf

Purpose - Assess the effect of surface runoff amounts and rainfall amount parameters on fecal coliform bacterial densities in Bayou Dorcheat in Louisiana.

Results - Nonpoint source pollution that is carried by surface runoff has a significant effect on bacterial levels in water resources.

199 - Beach sand and sediments are temporal sinks and sources of Escherichia coli in Lake Superior

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Purpose - Report on a 2-year investigation of the seasonal variation of E. coli concentrations in water, sand, and sediment at the DBC Beach in the Duluth-Superior Harbor of Lake Superior.

Results - Waterfowl in addition to humans can be a significant source of fecal indicator bacteria like E. coli at Great Lakes beaches. Although waterfowl have been reported to carry a limited number of pathogenic E. coli (36), which was also found our study, they may harbor other potential pathogens such as Salmonella and Campylobacter (37). The potential health risks associated with waterfowl-borne bacteria found at beaches needs to be investigated in the future.

122 - Fecal bacteria and sex hormones in soil and runoff from cropped watersheds amended with poultry litter

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<http://phoenix.nal.usda.gov/bitstream/10113/15527/1/IND44044786.pdf>

Purpose - Determine if applications of poultry litter to small watersheds would contribute to the load of fecal bacteria and sex hormones to soil and runoff

Results - Under the conditions of drought and conservation tillage, the rates at which we applied poultry litter to the four cropped watersheds appeared to have little or no significant effect on (a) soil community of fecal indicator bacteria, (b) concentrations of estradiol and testosterone in surface soil, and (c) quantities of estradiol and testosterone coming off the watersheds with runoff.

202 - Bacteroidales Diversity in Ring-Billed Gulls (*Larus delawarensis*) Residing at Lake Michigan Beaches

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<http://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pmc/articles/PMC2655448/pdf/2261-08.pdf>

Purpose - This study investigated the occurrence and diversity of Bacteroidales fecal bacteria in gulls residing in the Great Lakes region.

Results - A total of 467 gull fecal samples from five coastal beaches spanning Lake Michigan's western shore and one inland beach on Lake Winnebago were screened for the presence of Bacteroidales by PCR. There was a low but consistent occurrence of Bacteroidales in the gull populations at these beaches.

151 - The Impact of Annual Average Daily Traffic on Highway Runoff Pollutant Concentrations

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<http://escholarship.org/uc/item/86f8c8n8>

Purpose - Evaluate correlations between annual average daily traffic and storm water runoff pollutant concentrations generated from California Department of Transportation highway sites.

Results - No direct linear correlation was found between highway runoff pollutant mean concentrations and AADT. However, through multiple regression analyses, it was shown that AADT has an influence on most highway runoff constituent concentrations, in conjunction with factors associated with watershed characteristics and pollutant build-up and wash off.

102 - Development of Bacteroides 16S rRNA Gene TaqMan-Based Real-Time PCR Assays for Estimation of Total, Human, and Bovine Fecal Pollution in Water

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<http://aem.asm.org/content/72/6/4214.full.pdf+html>

Purpose - Design real-time PC assay to target *Bacteroides* species (AllBac) present in human, cattle, and equine feces.

Results - This assay was shown empirically to be proportional to the concentration of human, bovine, and equine feces in water and thus can be used to estimate fecal concentrations without calculating the number of *Bacteroides* cells in the sample. The simplicity of performing these assays by direct PCR of water samples suggests that these assays may be field deployable and thus would aid data collection in watersheds with inherently high spatial and temporal variabilities.

203 - Persistence of fecal indicator bacteria in Santa Monica Bay beach sediments

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<http://www.sciencedirect.com/science/article/pii/S004313540600220X>

Purpose - This study involved monitoring the fecal indicator bacteria (FIB) levels in water and sediment at three ocean beaches (two exposed and one enclosed) during a storm event, conducting laboratory microcosm experiments with sediment from these beaches, and surveying sediment FIB levels at 13 beaches (some exposed and some enclosed).

Results - Results from microcosm experiments showing similar, dramatic growth of FIB in both overlying water and sediment from all beaches, as well as results from the beach survey, support the hypothesis that the quiescent environment rather than sediment characteristics can explain the elevated sediment FIB levels observed at enclosed beaches. This work has implications for the predictive value of FIB measurements, and points to the importance of the sediment reservoir.

205 - Phylogenetic Diversity and Molecular Detection of Bacteria in Gull Feces

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<http://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pmc/articles/PMC2446513/>

Purpose - To determine the occurrence of *C. marimammalium* in waterfowl, species-specific 16S rRNA gene PCR and real-time assays were developed and used to test fecal DNA extracts from different bird (n = 13) and mammal (n = 26) species.

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103 - Genetic Diversity of *Escherichia coli* Isolated from Urban Rivers and Beach Water

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<http://aem.asm.org/content/70/8/4658.full.pdf+html>

Purpose - Evaluate the genetic profiles of *E. coli* strains found in stormwater, where fecal pollution is derived from multiple uncharacterized host sources, and compare these profiles to known host sources of pollution.

Results - There does not appear to be a proportional relationship between fecal indicator bacteria from a host and what is actually detected in the environment, which will be an important consideration when developing methods for fecal pollution source tracking. Matching of isolates to the entire data set demonstrated that strains from a type of sample (e.g., gull, sewage, stormwater, river water, beach water) were most similar to other strains from the same host or environmental source. These findings may be a function of geographic distribution rather than host source specificity.

126 - Identification and Quantification of Bacterial Pollution At Milwaukee County Beaches

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<http://www.glwi.freshwater.uwm.edu/research/genomics/ecoli/media/Technical%20document%2009-12-05.pdf>

Purpose - Assess the bacterial contaminant load in the waters and sand at beaches within Milwaukee County.

Results - Bacterial water data collected during the summer 2005 beach surveys suggests a positive relationship between rainfall and increased E. coli levels at these particular beach sites. Sewage contamination could potentially reach the beach during combined sewage overflows, or from nearby sewer infrastructure failures.

104 - Evaluation of Repetitive Extragenic Palindromic-PCR for Discrimination of Fecal Escherichia coli from Humans, and Different Domestic and Wild Animals

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<http://web.uvic.ca/~h2o/publications/Mohapatra%20et%20al.%20MI07pdf.pdf>

Purpose - Investigate the potential of rep-PCR in differentiating e. coli isolates of human, domestic and wild animal origin that might be used as a molecular tool to identify the possible source(s) of fecal pollution of source water.

Results - Rep-PCR DNA fingerprinting results provide evidence about the robustness of this method, and it's simple and cost-effective screening tool to isolate and track non-point sources of fecal contamination.

106 - Evaluation of antibiotic resistance analysis and ribotyping for identification of faecal pollution sources in an urban watershed

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Purpose - The accuracy of ribotyping and antibiotic resistance analysis (ARA) for prediction of sources of faecal bacterial pollution in an urban Southern California watershed was determined using blinded proficiency samples. Low rates of correct classification for E. coli proficiency isolates compared with the ARCCs of the libraries indicate that testing of bacteria from samples that are not represented in the library, such as blinded proficiency samples, is necessary to

accurately measure predictive ability. The library-based MST methods used in this study may not be suited for determination of the source(s) of faecal pollution in large, urban watersheds.

Results - None of the methods performed well enough on the proficiency panel to be judged ready for application to environmental samples.

210 - Species distribution and antimicrobial resistance of enterococci isolated from surface and ocean water

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<http://www.glin.net/lists/beachnet/2008-05/pdf00000.pdf>

Purpose - The species identification and antimicrobial resistance profiles were determined for enterococci isolated from Southern California surface and ocean waters.

Results - *Enterococcus faecalis*, *E. faecium*, *E. casseliflavus* and *E. mundti* are the most commonly isolated Enterococcus species from urban runoff and receiving waters in Southern California.

107 - A review of technologies for rapid detection of bacteria in recreational waters

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http://www.environmental-expert.com/Files%5C19961%5Carticles%5C6674%5C479_rapid_detection_recreational_waters.pdf

Purpose - Review new methods that have the potential to reduce measurement period for fecal indicator bacteria from more than a day to less than an hour to reduce risk of swimmers to fecal bacteria.

Results - Enzyme substrate methods are most likely to be the first rapid methods adopted for recreational water quality. Enzymatic substrate methods are based on the same capture technology as currently-approved EPA methods, with greater speed attained through enhanced detection technology. As such, the relationship to health risk can be established by demonstrating that the new detection capability produces equivalent results to existing procedures.

214 - Comparison of total coliform, fecal coliform, and enterococcus bacterial indicator response for ocean recreational water quality testing

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<http://www.ochealthinfo.com/docs/public/epi/h2o/Water-Research-Publication-2003.pdf>

Purpose - To compare the relationship between the bacterial indicators, and the effect that changing the standards would have on recreational water regulatory actions, three regional studies were conducted along the southern California shoreline from Santa Barbara to San Diego, California.

Results - Cumulatively, our results suggest that replacement of a TC standard with an EC standard will lead to a five-fold increase in failures during dry weather and a doubling of failures

during wet weather. Replacing a TC standard with one based on all three indicators will lead to an eight-fold increase in failures. Changes in the requirements for water quality testing have strong implications for increases in beach closures and restrictions.

217 - Relationships between sand and water quality at recreational beaches

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Purpose - Enterococci are used to assess the risk of negative human health impacts from recreational waters. Studies have shown sustained populations of enterococci within sediments of beaches but comprehensive surveys of multiple tidal zones on beaches in a regional area and their relationship to beach management decisions are limited.

Results - We sampled three tidal zones on eight South Florida beaches in Miami-Dade and Broward counties and found that enterococci were ubiquitous within South Florida beach sands although their levels varied greatly both among the beaches and between the supratidal, intertidal and subtidal zones.

218 - Shedding of Staphylococcus aureus and methicillin-resistant Staphylococcus aureus from adult and pediatric bathers in marine waters

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<http://www.biomedsearch.com/attachments/00/21/21/10/21211014/1471-2180-11-5.pdf>

Purpose - The primary aim of this study was to evaluate the amount and characteristics of the shedding of methicillin sensitive S. aureus, MSSA and MRSA by human bathers in marine waters.

Results - Twelve of 15 MRSA isolates collected from the water had identical genetic characteristics as the organisms isolated from the participants exposed to that water while the remaining 3 MRSA were without matching nasal isolates from participants. The amount of S. aureus shed per person corresponded to 105 to 106 CFU per person per 15-minute bathing period, with 15 to 20% of this quantity testing positive for MRSA. These findings clearly demonstrate that adults and toddlers shed their colonizing organisms into marine waters and therefore can be sources of potentially pathogenic S. aureus and MRSA in recreational marine waters. Additional research is needed to evaluate recreational beaches and marine waters as potential exposure and transmission pathways for MRSA.

111 - A comparison of ARA and DNA data for microbial source tracking based on source-classification models developed using classification trees

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<http://faculty.salisbury.edu/~mffrana/Cell%20Biol%20Spring%2008/Frana%20paper,%20after.pdf>

Purpose - Determine whether increased reliability, if any, of library-based MST developed with DNA data is sufficient to justify its higher cost, where source predictions are used in TMDL surface water management programs.

Results - While the overall rates of correct classification are higher for the DNA data than for the ARA data, the resulting source predictions for both data indicate similar TMDL surface water bacterial contamination reduction strategies. Questioning the value of DNA data relative to ARA data for MST intended for application in a TMDL program is justified, and the answer may favor ARA data for this application.

112 - Quantitative PCR Method for Sensitive Detection of Ruminant Fecal Pollution in Freshwater and Evaluation of This Method in Alpine Karstic Regions

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Purpose - Establish a method for the sensitive quantification of ruminant fecal pollution in spring water and groundwater from alpine karstic regions important for public water supplies. Identify a ruminant-specific genetic marker in fecal members of the phylum Bacteroidetes.

Results - The marker could be found at concentrations ranging from not detectable in 4.5 liters (KPAS) to 106 marker equivalents per liter (LKAS2 flood). Strong differences in occurrence were obvious and in accordance with the expected different levels of ruminant fecal.

Preliminary experiments testing the stability of the marker in highly diluted fecal suspensions in spring water at ambient temperatures (4°C) found no strong reduction of detectable marker levels during an incubation period of 2 months.

After additional evaluation, the assay might allow the specific allocation of fecal pollution in alpine water sources, enabling target oriented measures in the catchment area and thus facilitating watershed management. Furthermore, it could also provide additional information for quantitative microbial risk assessment studies as part of water safety plans recommended by the WHO (35), allowing the relative estimation of ruminant fecal input compared to other sources.

164 - Pathogenic fungi: an unacknowledged risk at coastal resorts? New insights on microbiological sand quality in Portugal

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<http://www.sciencedirect.com/science/article/pii/S0025326X11001962>

Purpose - Determine the presence of yeasts, pathogenic fungi, dermatophytes, total coliforms, *Escherichia coli* and intestinal enterococci in sand at thirty-three beaches across Portugal.

Results - Results showed that 60.4% of the samples were positive for fungi and that 25.2% were positive for the bacterial parameters. The most frequent fungal species found were *Candida* sp. and *Aspergillus* sp., whereas intestinal enterococci were the most frequently isolated bacteria.

Positive associations were detected among analyzed parameters and country-regions but none among those parameters and sampling period. Regarding threshold values, we propose 15 cfu/g for yeasts, 17 cfu/g for potential pathogenic fungi, 8 cfu/g for dermatophytes. Eighty four cfu/g for coliforms, 250 cfu/g for *E. coli*, and 100 cfu/g for intestinal enterococci.

114 - The use of ribotyping and antibiotic resistance patterns for identification of host sources of *Escherichia coli* strains

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Purpose - To compare antibiotic resistance and ribotyping patterns ability to identify triplicate isolates sent from a group of 40 *Escherichia coli* taken from seven host sources.

Results - Of the 120 isolates, 22 isolates were resistant to ampicillin, streptomycin, tetracycline and trimethoprim and 98 isolates were susceptible. Antibiotic patterns identified 33 of the triplicates and three of the six groups had isolates from multiple hosts. Ribotyping divided the isolates into 27 ribotype groups with all triplicates grouped into the same ribotype group with one host per group.

219 - The effects of rainfall on *Escherichia coli* and total coliform levels at 15 Lake Superior recreational beaches

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<http://www.environmental-expert.com/Files%5C6063%5Carticles%5C9235%5C11-12-6.pdf>

Purpose - Fifteen beaches along Lake Superior were monitored over the course of the 2003 and 2004 summer swimming seasons from mid-May through mid-September. Water samples were collected at these 15 beaches less than 24-h after a rainfall event of at least 6 mm. The effect of rainfall on bacterial concentrations along the Wisconsin shores of Lake Superior was investigated.

Results - No relationship between rainfall amount and bacterial concentrations at any of the 15 beaches tested was found. Although other researchers have observed a direct positive relationship between rainfall and *E. coli* levels in beach water, we found no significant relationship for Lake Superior beaches. This is an important finding given the fact that beach closures are often based upon rainfall alone rather than on actual *E. coli* concentration measurements. This study reinforces the fact that the data obtained at one location should not necessarily be extrapolated to beach closure decisions at other locations.

141 - Modeling the dry-weather tidal cycling of fecal indicator bacteria in surface waters of an intertidal wetland

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ftp://www.sccwrp.org/pub/download/DOCUMENTS/AnnualReports/2005_06AnnualReport/AR0506_051-66.pdf

Purpose - Utilize a developed model and apply it to predict the dry-weather tidal cycling of FIB in Talbert Marsh, in response to loads from urban runoff, bird feces and resuspended sediments.

Results - Model predictions show that surface water concentrations of TC, EC, and ENT in the wetland are driven by loads from urban runoff and resuspended wetland sediments. The model more accurately predicts TC than EC or ENT. The crucial role that sediments play in the cycling of FIB is highlighted by this study. Sediments function as a reservoir of FIB that may accumulate FIB due to regrowth or settling, or shed FIB when tidal currents or storm flows scour away or even just disturb surficial particles.

115 - Patterns of Antimicrobial Resistance Observed in Escherichia coli Isolates Obtained from Domestic- and Wild-Animal Fecal Samples, Human Septage, and Surface Water

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Purpose - (i) To identify patterns of antimicrobial agent resistance of *E. coli* strains obtained from human septage, domestic animals, and wildlife living in the Red Cedar watershed in Michigan, and (ii) to compare these antimicrobial agent resistance patterns with those of *E. coli* strains obtained from surface water in the same watershed.

Results - Antimicrobial agent resistance was detected in all types of samples collected (Table 4). The most frequently encountered form of resistance in all samples was resistance to tetracycline (27.3%), followed by resistance to cephalothin (22.7%), resistance to sulfisoxazole (13.3%), and resistance to streptomycin (13.1%). Animal fecal samples exhibited resistance to all agents tested, while human septage and river water samples showed resistance to three agents and one agent, respectively.

Resistance to cephalothin was present in all types of samples, while tetracycline resistance and streptomycin resistance were found in all types of samples except river water. Resistance to tetracycline was present in both fecal and farm environment samples from all livestock species, while resistance to trimethoprim-sulfamethoxazole was present in both types of samples from only dairy cattle and equids.

142 - Tracking sources of bacterial contamination in stormwater discharges from Mission Bay, California

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ftp://www.sccwrp.org/pub/download/DOCUMENTS/AnnualReports/1999AnnualReport/07_ar06.pdf

Purpose - Identify whether wet-weather discharges were the predominant source of bacterial contamination to receiving waters.

Results - Seasonal cycles were evident, with the highest levels of total coliform, fecal coliform and enterococcus occurring during the wettest months.

220 - Microbiological Water Quality at Reference Beaches in Southern California During Wet Weather. Technical Report #448

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http://www.sccwrp.org:8060/pub/download/DOCUMENTS/TechnicalReports/448_reference_beach.pdf

Purpose - Assess the microbial water quality at reference beaches following wet weather events in southern California.

Results - Based on the results from this study, natural contributions of nonhuman fecal indicator bacteria were sufficient to generate exceedances of the State of California water quality thresholds during wet weather.

145 - Water Quality Indicators and the Risk of Illness in Non-Point Source Impacted Recreational Waters

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<ftp://swrcb2a.waterboards.ca.gov/pub/rwqcb2/TMDL-WEF/5d.pdf>

Purpose - Determine if: 1) water contact increased the risk of illness in the two weeks following exposure to water in Mission Bay? and 2) did the risk of illness increase with increasing levels of microbial indicators of water quality?

Results - Outside of skin rash and diarrhea, there was no statistically increased risk of 12 other symptoms, including highly credible gastrointestinal illness (HCGI). These results contrast with most other recreational bathing studies, most likely because of the lack of human sources of fecal pollution.

165 - Variation of microorganism concentrations in urban stormwater runoff with land use and seasons

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<http://www.iwaponline.com/jwh/004/0109/0040109.pdf>

Purpose - This study investigates if variations in concentrations of microorganisms by at least 1/3-log at the 95% level of confidence are potentially attributable to land use and seasons.

Differences less than 1/3-log have little practical importance even if there is statistical significance as the sensitivity of the analyses procedure is less than these.

Results - Statistically significant differences were found between land uses for all microorganisms studied except for *E. coli*. Other than *E. coli*, the microbial concentrations in stormwater runoff consistently vary within and between land uses. Generally, the concentrations in runoff from high-density residential areas are higher than the concentrations in other tested land uses.

222 - Indicator microbes correlate with pathogenic bacteria, yeasts and helminthes in sand at a subtropical recreational beach site

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<http://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pubmed/21447014>

Purpose - The objectives of this study were to evaluate the presence and distribution of pathogens in various zones of beach sand (subtidal, intertidal and supratidal) and to assess their relationship with environmental parameters and indicator microbes at a non-point source subtropical marine beach.

Results - Results indicate that indicator microbes may predict the presence of some of the pathogens, in particular helminthes, yeasts and the bacterial pathogen *Staphylococcus aureus* including methicillin-resistant forms. Indicator microbes may thus be useful for monitoring beach sand and water quality at non-point source beaches.

132 - Evaluation of conventional and alternative monitoring methods for a recreational marine beach with non-point source of fecal contamination

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<http://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pmc/articles/PMC2966524/>

Purpose - Compare enterococci (ENT) measurements based on the membrane filter, ENT(MF) with alternatives that can provide faster results including alternative enterococci methods (e.g. chromogenic substrate (CS), and quantitative polymerase chain reaction (qPCR)), and results from regression models based upon environmental parameters that can be measured in real-time.

Results - In addition to physico-chemical and hydrometeorological parameters, results also suggested that bacterial indicator levels were affected by the numbers of animals on the beach which may also have seasonal patterns associated with their numbers and fecal inputs. Thus, levels of enterococci at non-point source beaches are affected by a myriad of environmental factors and input loadings which are very difficult to capture within simple regression models.

223 - Adhesion of *Enterococcus faecalis* in the nonculturable state to plankton is the main mechanisms responsible for persistence of this bacterium in both lake and seawater

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Purpose - In this study we describe the results of the monitoring of the microbiological quality of both freshwater and marine water by applying an approach consisting of detecting both culturable and nonculturable enterococci which are present in water and adherent to the plankton in order to evaluate to what extent the adhesion to plankton and the VBNC state may represent survival strategies and contribute to the formation of environmental reservoirs of these microorganisms.

Results - We show that molecular methods for the detection of enterococci resulted in a higher number of positive samples than the culture method. The most interesting result of this study was the observation that in Lake Garda *E. faecalis* is almost exclusively found either adhering to plankton or in water, and not both. This result was also confirmed by the results in seawater, although not to such an evident extent.

123 - TRANSPORT OF FECAL BACTERIA FROM POULTRY LITTER AND CATTLE MANURES APPLIED TO PASTURELAND

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<http://www.environmental-center.com/Files%5C0%5Carticles%5C9338%5CTransportOfFecalBacteria.pdf>

Purpose - An understanding of the overland transport mechanisms from land applied waste is needed to improve design of best management practices (BMPs) and modeling of nonpoint source (NPS) pollution.

Results - Results of this comparative study clearly indicate that cowpies have a greater potential to contribute high fecal bacteria concentrations into streams than the land application of liquid dairy manure or turkey litter, although bacteria concentrations in runoff from all treatments exceeded Federal standards for primary contact in the United States. The relationship between runoff rates and concentrations of the indicator species was dependent upon the animal waste application, the indicator species and antecedent soil moisture conditions.

152 - Variability of Indicator Bacteria at Different Time Scales in the Upper Hoosic River Watershed

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<http://www.forestry.yale.edu/uploads/publications/Anisfeld-pub03.pdf>

Purpose - Evaluate whether the Upper Hoosic River Basin is meeting water quality criteria for indicator bacteria.

Results - Bacterial levels were higher in more developed watersheds; in summer rather than winter; in storms rather than baseflow; and in the early morning rather than afternoon.

227- Prevalence of yeasts in beach sand at three bathing beaches in South Florida

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<http://www.sciencedirect.com/science/article/pii/S004313540700108X>

Purpose - Determine the abundance and types of yeasts in the wet and dry sand of three recreational beaches in South Florida.

Results - While definitive statements cannot be made, high levels of yeasts may have a deleterious bearing on human health and the presence of such a diverse aggregation of species suggests that yeasts could have a role as indicators of beach health.

224 - Effect of waterfowl (*Anas platyrhynchos*) on indicator bacteria populations in a recreational lake in Madison, Wisconsin

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<http://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pmc/articles/PMC243530/pdf/aem00202-0205.pdf>

Purpose - Determine the level of effect that waterfowl has on the water quality of a Madison, WI lake.

Results - The most common human health hazard associated with ducks is swimmer's itch, or echinostoma revolutum (12). The duck tapeworm can also occasionally infect humans (4). Ducks have often been implicated as carriers and disseminators of Salmonella (1, 3, 11, 12, 16, 17). The occurrence of these zoonoses indicates that fecal contamination from ducks is a human health hazard and that beach closings based on the presence of high counts of fecal coliform indicator bacteria are warranted. Future surveys aimed at detecting the possible presence of Salmonella in the Vilas Park beach area are indicated.

228 - Estimation of enterococci input from bathers and animals on a recreational beach using camera images

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Purpose - Develop a counting methodology to better understand non-point source load impacts. Enterococci inputs to the study beach site (located in Miami, FL) are dominated by non-point sources (including humans and animals).

Results - Enterococci source functions were computed from the observed number of unique individuals for average days of each month of the year, and from average load contributions for humans and for animals. Results indicate that dogs represent the larger source of enterococci relative to humans and birds.

229 - Hand-mouth transfer and potential for exposure to E. coli and F+ coliphage in beach sand, Chicago, Illinois

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Purpose - Examine the transferability of Escherichia coli and F+ coliphage (MS2) from beach sand to hands in order to estimate the potential subsequent health risk.

Results - Using dose-response estimates developed for swimming water, it was determined that the number of individuals per thousand that would develop gastrointestinal symptoms would be 11 if all E. coli on the fingertip were ingested or 33 if all E. coli on the hand were ingested. These results suggest that beach sand may be an important medium for microbial exposure; bacteria transfer is related to initial concentration in the sand; and rinsing may be effective in limiting oral exposure to sand-borne microbes of human concern.

169 - Microbial load from animal feces at a recreational beach

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<http://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pmc/articles/PMC2771205/pdf/nihms138348.pdf>

Purpose - The goal of this study was to quantify the microbial load (enterococci) contributed by the different animals that frequent a beach site.

Results - The highest enterococci concentrations were observed in dog feces with average levels of 3.9×10^7 CFU/g; the next highest enterococci levels were observed in birds averaging 3.3×10^5 CFU/g. The lowest measured levels of enterococci were observed in material collected from shrimp fecal mounds (2.0 CFU/g). A comparison of the microbial loads showed that 1 dog fecal event was equivalent to 6940 bird fecal events or 3.2×10^8 shrimp fecal mounds. Comparing animal contributions to previously published numbers for human bather shedding indicates that one adult human swimmer contributes approximately the same microbial load as one bird fecal event. Given the abundance of animals observed on the beach, this study suggests that dogs are the largest contributing animal source of enterococci to the beach site.

231 - Microbial load from animal feces at a recreational beach

M.E. Wright, H.M. Solo-Gabriele, S. Elmir, and L.E. Fleming

<http://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pmc/articles/PMC2771205/>

Purpose - Quantify the microbial load (enterococci) contributed by the different animals that frequent a beach site.

Results - Results from this study provide evidence that dog feces represent the largest animal source to the study site. Improved management of dog feces at the beach could potentially reduce enterococci inputs to the beach, thereby decreasing the number of advisories for beach sites which are frequented by significant numbers of dogs.

8 - Are microbial indicators and pathogens correlated? A statistical analysis of 40 years of research

J. Wu, S. C. Long, D. Das and S. M. Dorner

<http://www.iwaponline.com/jwh/up/wh2011117.htm>

Purpose - The data were analyzed to assess factors affecting correlations using a logistic regression model considering indicator classes, pathogen classes, water types, pathogen sources, sample size, the number of samples with pathogens, the detection method, year of publication and statistical methods.

136 - Monitoring and Modeling Non-Point Source Contributions of Host-Specific Fecal Contamination in San Pablo Bay

Stefan Wuertz, F.A. Bombardelli, K. Sirikanchana, and D. Wang

<http://escholarship.org/uc/item/8tk0z6p0.pdf>

Purpose - This study employed mathematical and numerical transport models in concert with new molecular techniques to (i) characterize the sources of fecal contamination of water bodies and (ii) quantify the loads and distributions of *Bacteroidales* marker DNA sequences originating from different animal hosts in San Pablo Bay.

Results - Microbial source tracking using fecal *Bacteroidales* is an effective way to monitor fecal pollution of coastal waters. Low levels of the universal genetic marker are ubiquitous throughout

San Pablo Bay. The human marker BacHum-UCD was found in 75% of all samples but no cow- and almost no dog-specific marker was detected.

234 - Growth of enterococci in unaltered, unseeded beach sands subjected to tidal wetting

K.M. Yamahara, S.P. Walters, and A.B. Boehm

<http://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pmc/articles/PMC2655449/>

Purpose - To establish if naturally occurring enterococci can replicate in beach sands under environmentally relevant conditions.

Results - The results provide evidence that enterococci may not be an appropriate indicator of enteric disease risk at recreational beaches subject to nonpoint sources of pollution.

170 - A water quality modeling study of non-point sources at recreational marine beaches

X. Zhu, J.D. Wang, H.M. Solo-Gabriele, L.E. Fleming

<http://www.sciencedirect.com/science/article/pii/S0043135411001266>

Purpose - A model study was conducted to understand the influence of non-point sources including bather shedding, animal fecal sources, and near shore sand, as well as the impact of the environmental conditions, on the fate and transport of the indicator microbe, enterococci, at a subtropical recreational marine beach in South Florida.

Results - Enterococci released from beach sand during high tide caused mildly elevated concentration for a short period of time (ten to twenty of CFU/100 ml initially, reduced to 2 CFU/100 ml within 4 h during sunny weather) similar to the average baseline numbers observed at the beach. Bather shedding resulted in minimal impacts (less than 1 CFU/100 ml), even during crowded holiday weekends. In addition, weak current velocity near the beach shoreline was found to cause longer dwelling times for the elevated concentrations of enterococci, while solar deactivation was found to be a strong factor in reducing these microbial concentrations.

APPENDIX H

Identification of Goals

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APPENDIX H. IDENTIFICATION OF GOALS

Numeric goals have been developed to support Water Quality Improvement Plan implementation and are used to measure progress toward addressing the highest priority water quality conditions. Numeric goals may take a variety of forms, but are quantifiable so that progress toward and achievement of the goals are measurable. Applicable Total Maximum Daily Load (TMDL) targets are required to be incorporated as Water Quality Improvement Plan goals. Also in accordance with the MS4 Permit and applicable regulatory drivers, final goals and reasonable interim goals for each five-year period from Water Quality Improvement Plan approval to the anticipated final goal compliance date (including an interim goal for this permit term) have been developed. This appendix presents Bacteria TMDL numeric targets, how the targets were derived, and how the targets were translated into Water Quality Improvement Plan numeric goals.

Within the San Dieguito River WMA, the Bacteria TMDL dictates the bacteria goals for each weather condition to address and attain Recreational Water Contact (REC-1) beneficial uses. A TMDL represents the maximum amount of a pollutant of concern that a water body can receive and still attain water quality standards. TMDLs can take a variety of forms, including concentration-based TMDLs, which focus on reducing pollutant sources to achieve a maximum pollutant concentration consistent with existing water quality objectives (WQOs), and load-based TMDLs, which focus on reducing sources to achieve a watershed-specific maximum load that is protective of beneficial uses. The Bacteria TMDL incorporates load-based reductions that were calculated on the basis of watershed modeling results and applicable bacteria WQOs.

Although the Pacific Ocean shoreline segment was removed from the 303d list for REC-1 impairment in 2010, calculation of the Bacteria TMDL had already begun and the segment remained in the TMDL through adoption in 2011. The San Dieguito shoreline segment was then incorporated into the Bacteria TMDL requirements within the MS4 Permit in 2013. Therefore, the TMDL targets are required to be incorporated into the Water Quality Improvement Plan goals. If monitoring data supports compliance with wet and dry weather Bacteria TMDL targets, the Responsible Agencies will use the adaptive management protocol in Section 6 to identify new highest priority water quality conditions and develop goals and strategies to address new priorities.

The final and interim numeric goals for the San Dieguito River WMA were derived from water quality-based effluent limitations (WQBELs) identified in the Bacteria TMDL and incorporated into the MS4 Permit. Bacteria TMDL WQBELs include receiving water limitations and effluent limitations, presented in multiple formats. The receiving water limitations and effluent limitations are discussed in detail in Section H.1 and Section H.2, respectively. Attachment E.4 of the Municipal Permit provides the following options to meet numeric goals and to demonstrate final compliance with the Bacteria TMDL:

- (1) There is no direct or indirect discharge from the Responsible Agency's municipal separate storm sewer systems (MS4s) to the receiving water; OR

- (2) There are no exceedances of the final receiving water limitations in the receiving water at, or downstream of, the Responsible Agency's MS4 outfalls; OR
- (3) There are no exceedances of the final effluent limitations at the Responsible Agency's MS4 outfalls; OR
- (4) The pollutant load reductions for discharges from the Responsible Agencies' MS4 outfalls are greater than or equal to the final effluent limitations; OR
- (5) The Responsible Agencies can demonstrate that exceedances of the final receiving water limitations in the receiving water are due to loads from natural sources, AND pollutant loads from the Responsible Agencies' MS4 are not causing or contributing to the exceedances; OR
- (6) The Responsible Agencies develop and implement the Water Quality Improvement Plan as follows:
 - (a) The Responsible Agencies incorporate best management practices (BMPs) to achieve the receiving water limitations and/or the effluent limitations,
 - (b) The Responsible Agencies include an analysis in the Water Quality Improvement Plan, utilizing a watershed model or other watershed analytical tools, to demonstrate that the implementation of the BMPs achieves compliance with the final receiving water and/or effluent limitations,
 - (c) The results of the analysis must be accepted by the San Diego Water Board as part of the Water Quality Improvement Plan,
 - (d) The Responsible Agencies continue to implement the BMPs, and
 - (e) The Responsible Agencies continue to perform the specific monitoring and assessment specified to demonstrate compliance with the receiving water and effluent limitations (RWQCB, 2013a).

H.1 Receiving Water Limitations

Bacteria TMDL receiving water limitations are expressed as concentrations and as an allowable exceedance frequency. The limitations vary depending on the weather condition. The Bacteria TMDL identified WQBELs based on precipitation: wet weather (day of 0.2 inch of rain or more plus three days) and dry weather (all other days, including those in the winter season). For each condition, receiving water targets were identified based on water quality objectives (WQOs) (Table H-1). WQOs are concentrations of bacteria indicators identified as acceptable levels for REC-1. Wet weather conditions are episodic and short in duration; therefore, single-sample maximum WQOs apply. Geometric mean WQOs apply during dry weather when monitoring results over a longer duration are averaged and assessed. The WQOs do not account for a natural increase in bacteria at the shoreline during storm events. To account for background bacteria concentrations during wet weather, the Bacteria TMDL incorporated an allowable

exceedance frequency of the WQO based on a reference (mostly undeveloped) watershed.

Table H-1
Final Receiving Water Numeric Goals for San Dieguito River WMA

Indicator Bacteria	Shoreline WQO (MPN/100mL)	Shoreline Allowable Exceedance Frequency ¹	Shoreline WQO (MPN/100mL)	Shoreline Allowable Exceedance Frequency
	Wet Weather (Single Sample Maximum)²		Dry Weather (30-day Geometric Mean)³	
	Final Compliance: April 4, 2031		Final Compliance: April 4, 2021	
Fecal coliform	400	22%	200	0%
<i>Enterococcus</i>	104	22%	35	0%
Total Coliform	10,000	22%	1,000	0%

Note:

1. The 22% allowable exceedance frequency only applies to wet weather days. For dry weather days, the dry weather bacteria densities must be consistent with the single sample maximum REC-1 water quality objects in the Ocean Plan.
2. During wet weather days, only the single sample maximum receiving water limitations are required to be achieved.
3. During dry weather days, the single sample maximum and 30-day geometric mean receiving water limitations are required to be achieved.

% = percent; mL = milliliters; MPN = most probable number; WQO = water quality objective

The Bacteria TMDL specifies a final receiving water limitation allowable exceedance frequency of 22 percent during wet weather periods based on reference conditions, but allows no exceedances during dry weather. To assess compliance, the Bacteria TMDL expressed exceedances of WQOs as the number of days that the appropriate WQO would be exceeded. The TMDL calculated this number using a mass-based conversion based on bacteria loading, as required by federal regulations (Bacteria TMDL). The TMDL load was calculated by multiplying the WQOs by the daily modeled stream flow. Modeled daily loads greater than this threshold were flagged as an exceedance. Modeled daily loads were classified as occurring on either wet weather days or dry weather days to determine compliance with the different weather-based requirements. For wet weather, the Bacteria TMDL specifies a final allowable exceedance frequency of 22 percent based on reference conditions, while no exceedances are allowed during dry weather. For wet weather, the daily loads from wet weather days greater than the TMDL and the calculated allowable exceedance loads (load from the 22 percent of the allowable days) were flagged as exceedances. For dry weather days, the daily loads from dry weather days greater than the TMDL were flagged as exceedances.

The number of total wet and dry weather days will change by year, but the percentage of exceedance days is the compliance point. For example, the TMDL calculated the number of allowable exceedance days for the critical, or wettest, year within the model period, water year 1993. The number of wet weather days was 98; therefore, the final number of

allowable wet weather exceedance days for the critical year would have been 22 (rounded expression of 22 percent of 98 days). The final allowable number of dry weather exceedance days for the critical year is zero, because a reference condition was not applied to dry weather days in the TMDL. Final compliance with wet weather WQBELs is required in fiscal year (FY) 31. Final compliance with dry weather WQBELs is required in FY21.

H.2 Effluent Limitations

The Bacteria TMDL provides two expressions of effluent limitations. The first expression is equivalent to the receiving water limitations, but is assessed at MS4 outfalls (Table H-2). The second expression is a mass-based load reduction from the subwatersheds discussed below.

Table H-2
Final Effluent Limitations Expressed as an Exceedance Frequency for San Dieguito River WMA

Indicator Bacteria	WQO (MPN/100mL)	MS4 Outfall Allowable Exceedance Frequency ¹	WQO (MPN/100mL)	MS4 Outfall Allowable Exceedance Frequency
	Wet Weather (Single Sample Maximum) ²		Dry Weather (30-day Geometric Mean) ³	
	Final Compliance: April 4, 2031		Final Compliance: April 4, 2021	
Fecal coliform	400	22%	200	0%
<i>Enterococcus</i>	104	22%	35	0%
Total Coliform	10,000	22%	1,000	0%

Note:

1. The 22% allowable exceedance frequency only applies to wet weather days. For dry weather days, the dry weather bacteria densities must be consistent with the single sample maximum REC-1 water quality objects in the Ocean Plan.
2. During wet weather days, only the single sample maximum receiving water limitations are required to be achieved.
3. During dry weather days, the single sample maximum and 30-day geometric mean receiving water limitations are required to be achieved.

% = percent; mL = milliliters; MPN = most probable number; WQO = water quality objective

Another expression of WQBELs is the percent bacteria load reduction required from the watershed to meet the WQOs expressed as an allowable exceedance frequency. The Bacteria TMDL calculated the watershed load reductions that were required to achieve the Bacteria TMDL receiving water limitations. The MS4 Permit incorporated these load reductions for wet and dry weather as effluent limitations. The loading capacity was calculated by multiplying the WQOs by the average daily modeled stream flow. Modeled daily loads greater than this threshold were flagged as an exceedance. The allowable exceedance load for wet weather was calculated by summing the top 22 days (22 percent of the 98 wet weather days in the critical year) with the highest modeled daily loads. This load was then subtracted from the modeled wet weather total for the year. The difference

between the remaining modeled load and the TMDL load represents the load reduction required for wet weather. The percent load reduction is calculated by dividing the exceedance load by the total annual load for the critical year. The final load reductions estimated to meet receiving water goals are presented in Table H-3.

Table H-3
Final Effluent Limitations Expressed as an Exceedance Frequency for San Dieguito River WMA

Indicator Bacteria	Percent Watershed Load Reduction Required	
	Wet Weather	Dry Weather
	Final Compliance: April 4, 2031	Final Compliance: April 4, 2021
Fecal coliform	1.5%	20.7%
<i>Enterococcus</i>	7.7%	83.5%
Total coliform	4.3%	14.4%

Dry weather WQBELs, expressed as percent watershed load reduction, were calculated using the same formula, but daily loads were calculated using a slightly different model (steady-state plug-flow reactor model) in the Bacterial TMDL. Two variations in the calculation are that (1) an allowable load using the reference watershed approach was not applied for dry weather, per the TMDL, and (2) the percent load reductions were calculated based on a 30-day period for comparison with the 30-day geometric mean WQO. Otherwise, the TMDL load was calculated in the same manner as that for the wet weather load and the difference between the remaining modeled load and the TMDL load is the load reduction required for dry weather. The percent load reduction is calculated by dividing the exceedance load by the total monthly load for the critical year (Table H-2).

H.3 Interim Goals and Existing Conditions

The first five TMDL interim compliance pathways are the same as the final compliance pathways. In addition, two compliance pathways (6 and 7 below) provide interim compliance calculated using a midpoint between existing conditions and final targets. Finally, compliance pathway 8 provides interim compliance with the TMDL if the Responsible Agencies are implementing strategies selected and included in a watershed model or other analytical tool to demonstrate that the interim TMDL compliance requirements will be met. Attachment E.4 of the Municipal Permit provides the following options to meet interim numeric goals and to demonstrate interim compliance with the Bacteria TMDL:

- (1) There is no direct or indirect discharge from the Responsible Agency's municipal separate storm sewer systems (MS4s) to the receiving water; OR
- (2) There are no exceedances of the final receiving water limitations in the receiving water at, or downstream of, the Responsible Agency's MS4 outfalls;
OR

- (3) There are no exceedances of the final effluent limitations at the Responsible Agency's MS4 outfalls; OR
- (4) The pollutant load reductions for discharges from the Responsible Agencies' MS4 outfalls are greater than or equal to the final effluent limitations; OR
- (5) The Responsible Agencies can demonstrate that exceedances of the final receiving water limitations in the receiving water are due to loads from natural sources, AND pollutant loads from the Responsible Agencies' MS4 are not causing or contributing to the exceedances; OR
- (6) There are no exceedances of the interim receiving water limitations in the receiving water at, or downstream of, the Responsible Agency's MS4 outfalls; OR
- (7) The pollutant load reductions for discharges from the Responsible Agencies' MS4 outfalls are greater than or equal to the interim effluent limitations; OR
- (8) The Responsible Agencies submit and are fully implementing a Water Quality Improvement Plan, accepted by the San Diego Water Board, which provides reasonable assurance that the interim TMDL compliance requirements will be achieved by the interim compliance dates.

Interim goals are identified for each expression of WQBELs and each weather condition. Bacteria TMDL wet and dry weather interim compliance is calculated as the halfway point between the existing, 2002 conditions and the final TMDL target. The MS4 Permit allows an alternative interim compliance date from the original Bacteria TMDL compliance date (MS4 Permit, Attachment E). Interim compliance of receiving water or effluent limitations is most reasonably attained in FY24 for wet weather and FY19 for dry weather. Updates to existing programs, changes in municipal ordinances, and collaboration within jurisdictions, WMAs, and the region have been occurring since the Bacteria TMDL and the 2013 MS4 Permit were adopted and are ongoing. Through CLRP and Water Quality Improvement Plan development, planning efforts are underway, including measures to secure funding and increase general momentum to implement and expand storm water and water conservation measures. The alternative compliance dates allow for the success of the monitoring, assessment, and goal and strategy adaptation process detailed within this Water Quality Improvement Plan.

The TMDL model used data through 2002, which is why 2002 is considered the existing condition. The existing condition does not necessarily reflect current conditions, nor is it the Water Quality Improvement Plan baseline for all goals. The existing condition for load reductions is assumed to be 0% in 2002, as that was the beginning of implementation planning. The Bacteria TMDL estimated the 2002 existing exceedance frequency for wet weather since wet weather data was not available. The MS4 permit requires the dry weather exceedance frequency to be calculated and presented in the Water Quality Improvement Plans. For each indicator bacteria, available monitoring data collected between January 1, 1996 and December 31, 2002 was assessed and compared to 30-day geometric mean WQOs.

Table H-4 presents the existing condition for the receiving water and effluent limitations and the interim TMDL compliance target for San Dieguito River. The Bacteria TMDL estimates that the 2002 wet weather exceedance frequencies for fecal coliforms, *Enterococcus*, and total coliforms were 43 percent, 49 percent, and 44 percent, respectively, based on modeling results. To calculate dry weather exceedance frequencies, 118 results were available for *Enterococcus* and 116 results each for fecal coliforms and total coliforms between 1996 and 2002. The exceedance frequency (percent of dry weather days exceeding the WQO) was 17% for *Enterococcus*, 11% for fecal coliforms, and 6% for total coliforms. Interim compliance is 50% of the existing condition.

Table H-4
Existing Conditions and Interim TMDL Targets for San Dieguito River WMA

Bacteria Indicator	Receiving Water Exceedance Frequency		Effluent Load Reduction		Interim Compliance Date
	Existing 2002 Condition	Interim Compliance ¹	Existing 2002 Condition	Interim Compliance ¹	
Wet Weather					
Fecal coliform	43% ²	33%	0%	0.8% ²	April 4, 2024
<i>Enterococcus</i>	49% ²	36%	0%	3.9% ²	
Total coliform	44% ²	33%	0%	2.2% ²	
Dry Weather					
Fecal coliform	11% ³	5.5%	0%	10.4% ²	April 4, 2019
<i>Enterococcus</i>	17% ³	8.5%	0%	41.8% ²	
Total coliform	6% ³	3.0%	0%	7.2% ²	

Note:

- Interim compliance is calculated as 50% between the existing condition and the final TMDL target.
 - Source: Bacteria TMDL
 - Source: Monitoring data
- % = percent; N/A = not applicable

The difference between the existing dry weather exceedance frequency and the dry weather load reduction highlights the shortcomings of dry weather modeling based on limited observed data. Uncertainties in the model may result in a potential disconnect between receiving water quality and watershed loading estimates. An exceedance frequency of less than 20% based on monitoring data would seem to require a lower load reduction from the watershed than 80%; however this highlights the difference between concentration and load-based information which incorporates potential uncertainties in modeling dry weather flows. An 80% watershed load reduction likely overstates the actual load reduction required to meet final compliance. Regardless of the load reduction required, the primary strategy during dry weather is to eliminate dry weather flows, which will, in turn, reduce and eliminate pollutant loading. In the Water Quality Improvement

Plan, dry weather reduction strategies and progress towards meeting them are more frequently discussed in terms of flow reduction, rather than load reduction. This acknowledges the related benefit to load reductions, but highlights the source or transport mechanism for dry weather implementation.

H.4 Compliance Pathways

Interim and final compliance with the Bacteria TMDL, as incorporated into the MS4 Permit, may be demonstrated by the Responsible Agencies using any one of the methods presented in the previous sections. Section 5 of the Water Quality Improvement Plan provides additional information on the monitoring that will be completed for assessment.

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APPENDIX I

Jurisdictional Strategies and Schedules

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APPENDIX I. JURISDICTIONAL STRATEGIES AND SCHEDULES

Strategy selection within the San Dieguito River WMA is discussed in Section 4.2.1 and Appendix J. This appendix provides the selected strategies for each Responsible Agency including the implementation approach and level of effort required. The corresponding implementation year and duration provide context for when the strategy will be implemented. Strategies not being implemented upon approval of the Water Quality Improvement Plan provide a future date for implementation or a trigger for implementation in the future. Responsible Agencies are continually collaborating with internal jurisdictional departments, other Responsible Agencies, stakeholders, and watershed groups and non-profit organizations, and these collaborating entities are presented in the jurisdictional strategies tables as well. The strategies are subject to change and will be modified through the adaptive management process, as needed.

I.1 City of Del Mar Strategies

The City of Del Mar has selected jurisdictional strategies that best suit the topography and characteristics of its jurisdiction in order to comply with Permit requirements. Del Mar is highly developed and the land use primarily consists of low-density residential and commercial areas. The City's long-standing sustainable planning requirements limit the amount of impervious surface areas for developments. This has resulted in less impervious surface areas within the City than other urbanized areas in the region. The City of Del Mar will be implementing strategies to target residential and commercial areas which includes a robust property-based inspection program. The City will consider green infrastructure strategies, but the options may be limited due to right-of-way constraints and bluff stabilization concerns in many parts of the City of Del Mar. The City of Del Mar has identified the jurisdictional strategies in Table I-1 to assist in meeting the Water Quality Improvement Plan goals. The adaptive management process provides the framework to evaluate progress toward meeting the goals and allows for modification of strategies.

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Table I-1
City of Del Mar Jurisdictional Strategies

ID	Strategy	Implementation Approach	Location	Implementation or Construction Year	Frequency of Implementation
Jurisdictional Strategies					
Development Planning					
All Development Projects					
	For all development projects, administer a program to ensure implementation of source control BMPs to minimize pollutant generation at each project and implement LID BMPs to maintain or restore hydrology of the area, where applicable and feasible.	Refer to JRMP.	City-wide	FY16	Ongoing
DM-1					
DM-2	Train staff on LID regulatory changes during annual stormwater training.	Formal staff training implemented annually during stormwater training.	City-wide	FY16	Ongoing
DM-3	Maintain existing floor area ratio requirements to limit impervious surface areas.		City-wide	FY16	Ongoing
	Continue retention of native vegetation - New or redevelopment projects within the Lagoon Overlay Zone shall include the retention of the maximum amount of native vegetation on the site. Revegetation or landscaping of sites within the Lagoon Overlay Zone shall include the use of non-invasive, drought tolerant species native to the San Diego coastal region and which are compatible with adjacent wetland habitat species.	Refer to Municipal Code.	City-wide	FY16	Ongoing
DM-4					
Priority Development Projects (PDPs)					
	For PDPs, administer a program requiring implementation of on-site structural BMPs to control pollutants and manage hydromodification. Includes confirmation of design, construction, and maintenance of PDP structural BMPs.	Refer to JRMP.	City-wide	FY16	Ongoing
DM-5					
DM-6	Update BMP Design Manual procedures to determine nature and extent of storm water requirements applicable to development projects and to identify conditions of concern for selecting, designing, and maintaining appropriate structural BMPs.	Refer to JRMP.	City-wide	FY15	Ongoing
Construction Management					
	Administer a program to oversee implementation of BMPs during the construction phase of land development. Includes inspections at an appropriate frequency and enforcement of requirements.	Refer to JRMP; Construction site inventory updated monthly and inspections of prioritized sites are conducted biweekly year round.	City-wide	FY16	Ongoing
DM-7					
Existing Development					
Commercial, Industrial, Municipal, and Residential Facilities and Areas					
	Administer a program to require implementation of minimum BMPs for existing development (commercial, industrial, municipal, and residential) that are specific to the facility, area types, and PGAs, as appropriate. Includes inspection of existing development at appropriate frequencies and using appropriate methods.	Refer to JRMP; Programmatic inspection/maintenance frequency included in JRMP update.	City-wide	FY16	Ongoing
DM-8					
DM-8.1	Update minimum BMPs for commercial, industrial, and municipal existing development and enforce. Includes BMPs for water-using mobile businesses.	Refer to JRMP; minimum BMPs updated within JRMP update.	City-wide	FY16	As-needed
DM-8.2	Provide BMP factsheet to water-using mobile businesses when business license is granted.	To ensure implementation of minimum BMPs for water -using mobile businesses, when a business license is granted for a water-using mobile business, a BMP factsheet is provided.	City-wide	FY16	Ongoing
DM-8.3	Conduct property-based commercial, industrial, municipal, and residential inspections. Includes identification and addressing unmitigated incidents of power washing discharges.	Refer to JRMP. Inspections of commercial, industrial, municipal, and multi-family residential areas conducted a minimum of six times per year.	City-wide	FY16	Ongoing
DM-8.4	Update municipal swimming pool discharge ordinance to ensure discharges from swimming pools meet permit requirements.	Refer to JRMP.	City-wide	Before FY16	As needed

ID	Strategy	Implementation Approach	Location	Implementation or Construction Year	Frequency of Implementation
DM-9	Implement pet waste program.	Implement education and prevention program. Pet waste bag dispensers and trash bins provided in public areas. Pet waste removal occurs as part of Dog Beach maintenance.	City-wide	FY16	Ongoing
DM-10	Promote and encourage implementation of designated BMPs at residential areas.		City-wide	FY16	Ongoing
DM-10.1	Promote and collaborate with water agencies and other groups to encourage implementation of water conservation programs that improve water quality by reducing over-irrigation with smart products or turf replacement and capturing rain water in residential areas.	Collaborate with MWD and promote their SoCal WaterSmart rebates and products such as weather based irrigation controllers, rotating sprinkler nozzles, soil moisture sensor system, rain barrels, and turf removal. Collaborate with San Diego County Water Authority (SDCWA) and promote their Water Smart irrigation system checkups and turf replacement incentives.	City-wide	FY16	Ongoing
DM-11	Promote and encourage implementation of designated BMPs in commercial areas.	Collaborate with MWD and promote their SoCal WaterSmart rebates and products such as weather based irrigation controllers, rotating sprinkler nozzles, soil moisture sensor system, rain barrels, and turf removal.	City-wide	FY16	Ongoing
MS4 Infrastructure					
DM-12	Implementation of operation and maintenance activities (inspection and cleaning) for MS4 and related structures (catch basins, storm drain inlets, detention basins, etc.).	Refer to JRMP.	City-wide	FY16	Ongoing
DM-12.1	Perform catch basin cleaning.	Inspect and clean catch basins annually.	City-wide	FY16	Ongoing
DM-12.2	Repair and replace MS4 components as needed to provide source control from MS4 infrastructure.		City-wide	FY16	Ongoing
DM-13	Implement controls to prevent infiltration of sewage into the MS4 from leaking sanitary sewers and identify sewer leaks and areas for sewer pipe replacement.	Refer to Sanitary Sewer Management Plan.	City-wide	FY16	Ongoing
Roads, Street, and Parking Lots					
DM-14	Implement operation and maintenance activities for public streets, unpaved roads, paved roads, and paved highways.	Refer to JRMP	City-wide	FY16	Ongoing
DM-14.1	Enhanced street sweeping by use of regenerative air vacuum sweepers.	Enhanced sweeping implemented by using regenerative air vacuum sweepers. Residential areas are swept 2x per year; primary roads (Camino Del Mar) and business district are swept 2x per month. Collection and bike lanes and medians are swept 2x per month.	City-wide	FY16	Ongoing
DM-14.2	Perform sweeping of medians on high-volume arterial roadways.	Primary roads and business district medians are swept 2x per month.	Primary roads & business district	FY16	Ongoing
Pesticide, Herbicides, and Fertilizer BMP Program					
DM-15	Require implementation of BMPs to address application, storage, and disposal of pesticides, herbicides, and fertilizers on commercial, industrial, and municipal properties. Includes education, permits, and certifications.	Refer to JRMP.	City-wide	FY16	Ongoing
Retrofit and Rehabilitation in Areas of Existing Development					
DM-16	Develop and implement a strategy to identify candidate areas of existing development appropriate for retrofitting projects and facilitate the implementation of such projects.	Refer to JRMP.	City-wide	FY16	Ongoing
DM-17	Develop and implement a strategy to identify candidate areas of existing development for stream, channel, or habitat rehabilitation projects and facilitate implementation of such projects.	Refer to JRMP	City-wide	FY16	Ongoing

ID	Strategy	Implementation Approach	Location	Implementation or Construction Year	Frequency of Implementation
<i>Illicit Discharge, Detection, and Elimination (IDDE) Program</i>					
DM-18	Implement Illicit Discharge, Detection, and Elimination (IDDE) Program per the JRMP. Requirements include: maintaining an MS4 map, using municipal personnel and contractors to identify and report illicit discharges, maintaining a hotline for public reporting of illicit discharges, monitoring MS4 outfalls, and investigating and addressing any illicit discharges.	Refer to JRMP.	City-wide	FY16	Ongoing
DM-19	Conduct frequent visual outfall monitoring to identify and eliminate illicit discharges.	As part of the patrol-based program for the construction, existing development, and outfall inventories, visit outfalls a minimum of six times per year to identify and eliminate potential illicit discharges.	City-wide	FY16	Ongoing
<i>Public Education and Participation</i>					
DM-20	Implement a public education and participation program to promote and encourage development of programs, management practices, and behaviors that reduce the discharge of pollutants in storm water prioritized by high-risk behaviors, pollutants of concern, and target audiences.	Refer to JRMP.	City-wide	FY16	Ongoing
DM-20.1	Continue outreach to property managers responsible for HOAs and Maintenance Districts.	As part of the patrol-based program for the residential existing development inventory, provide frequent education and contact to HOAs and maintenance districts targeting outdoor activities and trash areas.	TBD	FY16	Ongoing
DM-20.2	Continue education and outreach to reduce over-irrigation through patrol program.	Once per year outside of business hours, patrol jurisdiction for incidents of over-irrigation and leave door-hangers identifying problem areas and appropriate corrective actions.	TBD	FY16	Ongoing
DM-20.3	Conduct trash cleanups through community-based organizations involving target audiences.	In partnership with I Love a Clean San Diego, host a site in Del Mar during two beach clean-ups per year.	TBD	FY16	Ongoing
DM-20.4	Review City storm water website and identify and implement required updates to reflect WQIP and JRMP revisions.	Update City Clean Water Program website with WQIP and JRMP information and highlight what the community can do for water quality.	City-wide	FY16	As needed
DM-20.5	Collaborate with regional education and outreach efforts.	Participate in Regional Think Blue campaign and collaborate with other regional efforts to provide consistent message or efficiency in training for targeted audiences.	City-wide	FY16	Ongoing
<i>Enforcement Response Plan</i>					
DM-21	Implement escalating enforcement responses to compel compliance with statutes, ordinances, permits, contracts, orders, and other requirements for IDDE, development planning, construction management, and existing development in the Enforcement Response Plan.	Refer to JRMP.	City-wide	FY16	Ongoing
<i>Additional Nonstructural Strategies</i>					
DM-22	Continue program to address and capture trash and debris.	Continue maintenance of trash guards.	City-wide	FY16	Ongoing
DM-23	Continue participating in source reduction initiatives.	Continue implementation of cigarette ban on beaches, parks and in commercial areas.	City-wide	FY16	Ongoing
DM-24	Proactively monitor for erosion and complete minor repair and slope stabilization as needed.	Post-storm monitoring is conducted to identify slope and bluff erosion in priority areas. As-needed, repairs and slope stabilization are completed.	City-wide	FY16	Ongoing
DM-25	Protect areas that are functioning naturally.	As opportunities arise, where feasible, the City will protect areas that are functioning naturally. This may include avoiding hardscape development and degradation in unpaved open space areas and creating permanent open space protections to undeveloped city-owned land.	TBD	TBD	As available

ID	Strategy	Implementation Approach	Location	Implementation or Construction Year	Frequency of Implementation
DM-26	Collaborate with the 22nd District Agricultural Association (Del Mar Fairgrounds) on water quality-related issues.	The City will collaborate with the 22nd DAA on water-related issues as appropriate. The DAA is a Phase II NPDES discharger and is regulated under a separate stormwater permit. The 22nd DAA discharges directly to Steven's Creek and San Diego Lagoon and River.	Del Mar Fairgrounds	TBD	As needed
DM-27	City will consider alternative compliance program on a case by case basis.	Refer to JRMP.	TBD	Optional	TBD
DM-28	If a regional education group for the equestrian community and property owners is developed by the County of San Diego, contribute to the effort through outreach, education, and policy measures.		TBD	Optional	TBD
DM-29	If a regional outreach program for the development community is created, provide technical education and outreach support on the design and implementation requirements of the MS4 Permit and Water Quality Improvement Plan requirements.	Participate in the development of a regional outreach program to the development community if it occurs.	TBD	Optional	TBD
DM-30	Implement a program to require septic system maintenance practices.	Require maintenance practices.	TBD	FY17	Ongoing
DM-31	Conduct special studies	San Diego Regional Reference Stream Study (currently being conducted by the Southern California Coastal Water Research Project). The study will develop numeric targets that account for "natural sources" to establish the concentrations or loads from streams in a minimally disturbed or "reference" condition. Refer to Section 5.1 for further details.	San Diego River WMA	Optional	TBD
DM-31.1	Reference watershed study	Assess sources of bacteria in the watersheds using the San Diego Bacteria Source Identification and Prioritization Process developed in 2012 as part of the MS4 Permit Report of Waste Discharge process. Focus is on the beach/lagoon area of the San Diego River WMA, with inputs from the upper watershed also considered where relevant and necessary to identify sources of bacteria to the beach/lagoon. Refer to Section 5.1 for further details.	San Diego River WMA	Optional	TBD
DM-32	Coordinate with the 22nd District Agricultural Association on programs where mutual benefits to water quality may be achieved for the watershed.	Pursue opportunities for coordinated efforts with the 22nd DAA to address water quality in the watershed.	Del Mar Fairgrounds	TBD	TBD
Green Infrastructure					
DM-33	If interim load reduction goals are not met, potential opportunities for green infrastructure will be considered.	Adaptive management process.	TBD	Optional	TBD
Multiuse Treatment Areas					
<i>Stream, Channel and Habitat Rehabilitation Projects</i>					
DM-34	San Diego Wetland Restoration Project is a project that is already underway and near completion. This regional project with multi-jurisdictional involvement is discussed further in Section 4.2.5.	San Diego Wetland Restoration Project is a project that is already underway and near completion. This regional project with multi-jurisdictional involvement is discussed further in Section 4.2.5.	San Diego Wetland	Optional	TBD
Dry Weather Flow Separation and Treatment Projects					
DM-35	If interim load reduction goals are not met, dry weather flow separation and treatment projects may be considered.	Adaptive management process.	TBD	Optional	TBD

22nd DAA = 22nd District Agricultural Association; CWP = Clean Water Program; MWD = Metropolitan Water District; SDCWA = San Diego County Water Authority; TBD = will be determined during the next fiscal year.

I.2 City of Escondido Strategies

While most of City of Escondido's (Escondido) jurisdiction is located within the Carlsbad watershed, approximately 24 percent of the City's urban area is located within the San Dieguito River WMA. Significant park and open space is located within this portion of the City: Kit Carson Park (285 total acres, 185 acres of preserved open space), County-owned Felicita Park (53 total acres), and Lake Hodges open space (west of Del Dios Highway and west of I-15 adjacent to Lake Hodges) totaling 662 acres.

Escondido has a storm water detention basin (Eagle Scout Lake, formerly Sand Lake) within the San Dieguito River WMA, which helps prevent sediment discharges to the San Dieguito River. Regular maintenance of this basin is a significant effort, costing hundreds of thousands of dollars and requiring extensive permitting efforts. Restoration and continued maintenance of this basin has been included as a strategy for this watershed. Although structural BMP opportunities in the watershed will be evaluated, they are less of a priority in this portion of the City.

The majority of the existing development within the San Dieguito portion of Escondido is dedicated to residential and commercial purposes. It is anticipated that strategies to address these uses will be implemented by Escondido to benefit water quality within the San Dieguito River WMA. The City also plans to supplement existing outreach and enforcement efforts in any drainage areas with documented persistent MS4 outfall flows. The City of Escondido has identified the jurisdictional strategies in Table I-2 to assist in meeting the Water Quality Improvement Plan goals. The adaptive management process provides the framework to evaluate progress toward meeting the goals and allows for modification of strategies.

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Table I-2
City of Escondido Jurisdictional Strategies

ID	Strategy	Implementation Approach	Location	Implementation or Construction Year	Frequency of Implementation	Responsible City Department and Other Collaborating Departments or Agencies
Jurisdictional Strategies						
Development Planning						
All Development Projects						
ES-1	For all development projects, administer a program to ensure implementation of source control BMPs to minimize pollutant generation at each project and implement LID BMPs to maintain or restore hydrology of the area, per BMP Manual requirements.	Refer to JRMP.	City-wide	FY16	Ongoing	Environmental Programs Division (EP Div) and Engineering
ES-1.1	Weekly meetings to assess compliance across divisions/departments, including stormwater, for all development projects.	EP Div meets weekly with Engineering Land Development Dept. to discuss project compliance on project submittals. Separate weekly meeting with Planning, Fire, and Engineering for co-compliance for all development during the planning stage.	City-wide	FY16	Ongoing	EP Div with Planning, Fire, and Engineering Depts.
ES-2	Amend municipal code and ordinances, including zoning ordinances, as needed to meet BMP Design Manual requirements and facilitate and encourage LID opportunities.	Implemented as needed. Update occurred FY14-15 for permit compliance.	City-wide	Prior to FY16	As needed	EP Div
ES-3	Train staff on BMP regulatory changes and BMP Design Manual.	Formal staff training implemented as needed based on changes, such as the revision of the BMP Design Manual or staff turnover. Informal training or assistance occurs continuously with communication between Environmental Programs staff and land development staff on a regular basis.	City-wide	Prior to FY16	As needed and Ongoing	EP Div, Engineering and Planning
Priority Development Projects (PDPs)						
ES-4	For PDPs, administer a program requiring implementation of on-site structural BMPs to control pollutants and manage hydromodification. Includes confirmation of design, construction, and maintenance of PDP structural BMPs.	Refer to JRMP.	City-wide	FY16	Ongoing	EP Div and Engineering
ES-4.1	Administer self-certification program for treatment control BMP maintenance compliance.	BMP maintenance agreements required on all PDPs. Letters sent annually to remind property managers to self-certify. Follow-up inspections conducted on some properties.	City-wide	FY16	Ongoing	EP Div
ES-5	Update BMP Design Manual procedures to determine nature and extent of storm water requirements applicable to development projects and to identify conditions of concern for selecting, designing, and maintaining appropriate structural BMPs.	Refer to JRMP. County BMP Design Manual will be used and adapted for the City.	City-wide	FY16	As needed	EP Div and Engineering
ES-6	Administer an alternative compliance program to on-site structural BMP implementation (includes identifying Watershed Management Area Analysis [WMAA] candidate projects). Refer to Section 4.2.5. and Appendix M for further details.	Refer to JRMP.	City-wide	Optional	Ongoing	EP Div, Engineering and Planning

ID	Strategy	Implementation Approach	Location	Implementation or Construction Year	Frequency of Implementation	Responsible City Department and Other Collaborating Departments or Agencies
Construction Management						
ES-7	Administer a program to oversee implementation of BMPs during the construction phase of land development. Includes inspections at an appropriate frequency and enforcement of requirements.	Refer to JRMF; Currently the inspection rate is dependent on time of year (dry versus wet season) and priority of site (based on threat to water quality). Most frequent inspection (high priority, wet weather) is once every 2 weeks, lowest is "as-needed." Per 2007 permit requirements.	City-wide	FY16	Ongoing	EP Div with Field Engineering
Existing Development						
Commercial, Industrial, Municipal, and Residential Facilities and Areas						
ES-8	Administer a program to require implementation of minimum BMPs for existing development (commercial, industrial, municipal, and residential) that are specific to the facility, area types, and PGAs, as appropriate. Includes inspection of existing development at appropriate frequencies and using appropriate methods.	Refer to JRMF; Highest priority inspection frequency is twice a year (food/auto establishments subject to FOG inspection). Others will be inspected per permit minimums.	City-wide	FY16	Ongoing	EP Div
ES-8.1	Update minimum BMPs for existing residential, commercial, and industrial development and enforce them.	Refer to JRMF; minimum BMPs updated as part of JRMF update.	City-wide	FY16	As needed	EP Div
ES-8.2	Increased inspection for highest pollutant potential businesses.	Within SDG watershed, those facilities with the highest potential to generate bacteria (wet/dry) are inspected twice per year.	City-wide	FY16	Ongoing	EP Div
ES-8.3	Design, implement, and enforce property- and PGA-based inspections.	Will be implemented for a portion of inspections. Will likely focus on drainage areas for major MS4 outfalls with persistent flows, notably HDG 102.	TBD	FY16	Ongoing	EP Div
ES-8.4	Review policies and procedures to ensure discharges from swimming pools meet permit requirements.	Refer to BMP Manual and Escondido Municipal Ordinance Chapter 22.	City-wide	FY16	Ongoing	EP Div
ES-8.5	Implement program to require retrofit of trash enclosures.	All applicants seeking approval for a tenant improvement, improvements to buildings, or redevelopment, are assessed for their potential to generate pollutants through their trash enclosure. If the applicant has a pollutant-generating activity on-site, a retrofit of their trash enclosure to include a roof is required. For example, a restaurant would trigger this requirement. Costs are considered when determining if the applicant is required to implement the retrofit. The retrofit is generally not required if the improvement is less than the cost of the retrofit. Determination is made on a case-by-case basis.	City-wide	FY16	Ongoing	EP Div with Engineering
ES-8.6	Water-using mobile business inspection and permitting.	Implement permitting program to ensure that water-using mobile businesses are using appropriate BMPs to prevent discharges to the storm drain drains. A permit is required for water-using mobile businesses including power-washers, mobile detailing, and organizations holding charity car washes. As part of the permit process, the applicant must schedule an inspection. The inspection requires applicants to set up their equipment and demonstrate how they will do the work. A permit is not issued until they have demonstrated that they have appropriate BMPs to manage the discharge.	City-wide	FY16	Ongoing	EP Div
ES-8.7	Implement Water Efficient Landscape Ordinance.	Refer to JRMF. Updates to landscape regulations encourage a reduction in the use of water for irrigation and reduce water waste in the form of runoff.	City-wide	FY16	Ongoing	EP Div and Planning

ID	Strategy	Implementation Approach	Location	Implementation or Construction Year	Frequency of Implementation	Responsible City Department and Other Collaborating Departments or Agencies
ES-9	Implement pet waste program.	Implement education and prevention program. Pet waste bag dispensers and supplies provided for neighborhood groups, dog parks, and other municipal parks.	City-wide	FY16	Ongoing	EP Div, Community Services and Public Works
ES-10	Promote and encourage implementation of designated BMPs at residential areas.	Refer to JRMP.	City-wide	FY16	Ongoing	EP Div
ES-10.1	Promote and collaborate with water agencies and other groups to encourage implementation of water conservation programs that improve water quality by reducing over-irrigation with smart products or turf replacement and capturing rain water in residential areas.	The City of Escondido collaborates with MWD and promotes their SoCal WaterSmart rebates. Rebates include: weather based irrigation controllers, rotating sprinkler nozzles, soil moisture sensor system, rain barrels, and turf removal. The City also collaborates with the San Diego County Water Authority (SDCWA) to promote their WaterSmart Checkups and turf replacement incentives. City of Escondido provides funding for the WaterSmart Checkups.	City-wide	FY16	Ongoing	EP Div with MWD and SDCWA
ES-11	Promote and encourage implementation of designated BMPs, including water conservation BMPs, in commercial, agricultural, and industrial areas.	Collaborate with MWD and promote their SoCal WaterSmart rebates and products such as weather based irrigation controllers, rotating sprinkler nozzles, soil moisture sensor system, rain barrels, and turf removal.	City-wide	FY16	Ongoing	EP Div with MWD
MS4 Infrastructure						
ES-12	Implementation of operation and maintenance activities (inspection and cleaning) for MS4 and related structures (catch basins, storm drain inlets, detention basins, etc.).	Refer to JRMP; Catch basins cleaned annually	City-wide	FY16	Ongoing	EP Div with Public Works
ES-12.1	Implement annual open-channel cleaning and scour pond repair to reduce pollutant loads.	Implement cleaning based on priority locations and highest maintenance needs. Sites to be addressed each year will be established annually and may be prioritized based on potential for pollution reduction; implementation schedule subject to change pending prioritization. Some sites must have a biological monitor if maintained within the bird nesting season, which may limit certain work to September – January each year.	City-wide	FY16	Ongoing	EP Div with Public Works
ES-13	Implement controls to prevent infiltration of sewage into the MS4 from leaking sanitary sewers.	Sewer infrastructure is cleaned annually. Closed circuit televising of sewer infrastructure is completed to identify and prioritize areas in need of upgrade or slip lining. As areas for maintenance are identified, corrective action is taken.	TBD	FY16	Ongoing	Utilities Department
Roads, Street, and Parking Lots						
ES-14	Implement operation and maintenance activities for public streets, unpaved roads, paved roads, and paved highways	Refer to JRMP.	City-wide	FY16	Ongoing	EP Div with Public Works
ES-14.1	Perform street sweeping.	Refer to JRMP; High priority areas swept twice per month. Medium priority areas swept once per month. Low priority areas swept as needed.	TBD	FY16	Ongoing	EP Div with Public Works

ID	Strategy	Implementation Approach	Location	Implementation or Construction Year	Frequency of Implementation	Responsible City Department and Other Collaborating Departments or Agencies
ES-14.2	Perform sweeping of medians on high-volume arterial roadways.	Refer to JRMP. Medians swept according to priority area frequency. Medians in high priority areas swept twice per month; medium priority areas swept once per month; and in low priority areas swept as needed.	TBD	FY16	Ongoing	EP Div with Public Works
<i>Pesticide, Herbicides, and Fertilizer BMP Program</i>						
ES-15	Require implementation of BMPs to address application, storage, and disposal of pesticides, herbicides, and fertilizers on commercial, industrial, and municipal properties. Includes education, permits, and certifications.	Refer to JRMP. City does not have authority over application of pesticides, but will implement BMPs. Water conservation activities encourage residential and commercial area BMPs. Industrial and commercial inspections cover requirement. Parks and Recreation implement the municipal program.	City-wide	FY16	Ongoing	EP Div with Public Works
<i>Retrofit and Rehabilitation in Areas of Existing Development</i>						
ES-16	Develop and implement a strategy to identify candidate areas of existing development appropriate for retrofitting projects and facilitate the implementation of such projects.	Refer to JRMP.	City-wide	None	Ongoing	EP Div with Engineering and Public Works
ES-17	Develop and implement a strategy to identify candidate areas of existing development for stream, channel, or habitat rehabilitation projects and facilitate implementation of such projects.	Refer to JRMP.	City-wide	Identify during JRMP update	Ongoing	EP Div with Engineering, Public Works, RWQCB, CDFW, Army Corps of Engineers
<i>Illicit Discharge, Detection, and Elimination (IDDE) Program</i>						
ES-18	Implement Illicit Discharge, Detection, and Elimination (IDDE) Program per the JRMP. Requirements include: maintaining an MS4 map, using municipal personnel and contractors to identify and report illicit discharges, maintaining a hotline for public reporting of illicit discharges, monitoring MS4 outfalls, and investigating and addressing any illicit discharges.	Refer to JRMP.	City-wide	FY16	Ongoing	EP Div
ES-18.1	Implement "We Care" Program for employee reporting of potential illicit discharges.	Continue supporting the city-wide "We Care" program which encourages employees to report problems that they observe throughout the City. Reports of irrigation issues are currently included. In FY16, updates to specifically include and encourage reporting of other storm water related issues will be complete.	City-wide	FY16	Ongoing	EP Div with City Manager's office
ES-18.2	Use "Report It" smartphone application to encourage residents to report potential illicit discharges or other storm water violations.	Continue supporting the city-wide "Report It" smart phone application which encourages the public to report problems that they observe throughout the City, including potential illicit discharges and other storm water related violations.	City-wide	FY16	Ongoing	EP Div with Information Systems and City Manager's office
<i>Public Education and Participation</i>						
ES-19	Implement a public education and participation program to promote and encourage development of programs, management practices, and behaviors that reduce the discharge of pollutants in storm water prioritized by high-risk behaviors, pollutants of concern, and target audiences.	Refer to JRMP.	City-wide	FY16	Ongoing	EP Div
ES-19.1	Expand outreach, training, and incentive programs to homeowners' associations (HOAs).	Investigate expansion of municipal outreach programs and collaboration with MWD and SDCWA to expand incentive programs targeting landscape practices and turf replacement programs.	TBD	FY16	Ongoing	EP Div

ID	Strategy	Implementation Approach	Location	Implementation or Construction Year	Frequency of Implementation	Responsible City Department and Other Collaborating Departments or Agencies
ES-19.2	Conduct trash cleanups through community-based organizations involving target audiences.	Continue implementation of "We Clean Escondido" program targeting litter removal. "We Clean Escondido" programs encourage groups to adopt their neighborhood and conduct weekly litter removal events. Continue collaboration with "I Love a Clean San Diego" to host two Creek to Bay Cleanups at Dixon Lake, or other locations in Escondido.	TBD	FY16	Ongoing	EP Div
ES-19.3	Review City storm water website and identify and implement required updates to reflect WQIP and JRMP revisions.	Review City storm water website and identify and implement required updates to reflect WQIP and JRMP revisions.	City-wide	FY16	Ongoing	EP Div with Information Systems
ES-19.4	Continue partnership with MWD to provide rebates for water efficient products to large businesses and agricultural customers.	Continue partnership with MWD to provide rebates for water efficient products to large businesses and agricultural customers. Continue Water Savings Incentive Program and Conservation Programs through support for rebates such as rotating irrigation nozzles, residential smart controllers, rain barrels, soil moisture sensor systems and incentives such as turf replacement program, SoCal water smart turf removal program, WaterSmart checkups, California friendly landscape training classes, WaterSmart landscape makeover workshops, and garden friendly plant fairs.	City-wide	FY16	Ongoing	EP Div with MWD
ES-19.5	Enhance school and recreation-based education and outreach	Partner with organizations such as the Escondido History Center, Humane Society, the Chamber of Commerce, and the Downtown Business Association to host education events targeting adults and children through the year. Continue with robust school outreach program. Program targets 6-12 yrs. during the school year. In the summer, the program targets 6 to 12 year olds in coordination with various summer camps. Two presentations are given on one day, weekly, throughout the summer.	City-wide	FY16	Ongoing	EP Div with various community organizations (including, but not limited to, the Humane Society, the Escondido History Center, the Chamber of Commerce and schools)
ES-19.6	Collaborate with regional education and outreach efforts.	Participate in Regional Think Blue campaign and collaborate with other regional efforts to provide consistent message or efficiency in training for targeted audiences	City-wide	FY16	Ongoing	EP Div with regional education and outreach campaigns
ES-20	Municipal staff training	Conduct mandatory training for all new City employees. Engage new employees with storm water jeopardy game reinforcing training on watersheds, the MS4, and MS4 permit requirements.	City-wide	FY16	Ongoing	EP Div
ES-21	Provide technical education and outreach to the development community on the design and implementation requirements of the MS4 Permit and Water Quality Improvement Plan requirements.	Provide outreach materials to the development community on the City's website, written material and in person education at the City's Development Services counter.	City-wide	FY16	Ongoing	EP Div with Engineering
Enforcement Response Plan						
ES-22	Implement escalating enforcement responses to compel compliance with statutes, ordinances, permits, contracts, orders, and other requirements for IDDE, development planning, construction management, and existing development in the Enforcement Response Plan.	Refer to JRMP.	City-wide	FY16	Ongoing	EP Div with Code Compliance and Engineering

ID	Strategy	Implementation Approach	Location	Implementation or Construction Year	Frequency of Implementation	Responsible City Department and Other Collaborating Departments or Agencies
Additional Nonstructural Strategies						
ES-23	Conduct special studies	San Diego Regional Reference Stream Study (currently being conducted by the Southern California Coastal Water Research Project). The study will develop numeric targets that account for "natural sources" to establish the concentrations or loads from streams in a minimally disturbed or "reference" condition. Refer to Section 5.1 for further details.	City-wide	TBD	TBD	TBD
ES-23.1	Reference watershed study	Assess sources of bacteria in the watersheds using the San Diego Bacteria Source Identification and Prioritization Process developed in 2012 as part of the MS4 Permit Report of Waste Discharge process. Focus is on the beach/lagoon area of the San Dieguito River WMA, with inputs from the upper watershed also considered where relevant and necessary to identify sources of bacteria to the beach/lagoon. Refer to Section 5.1 for further details.	City-wide	FY16	TBD	EP Div with regional committees
ES-24	Collaborate with the City of San Diego Lake Hodges source investigations effort	The City of San Diego's Public Utilities Department will conduct studies that can characterize the nutrient budget or "loading rate" for Lake Hodges. Escondido will participate in collaborative watershed efforts.	TBD	FY17	2 yrs.	Utilities Department with City of San Diego
ES-25	Mapping and assessment of agricultural operations.	Prepare and maintain a figure of the locations of agricultural operations in Escondido. Identify agricultural land close to receiving waters and/or MS4 system and conducting a site reconnaissance to assess if discharges are likely to occur and develop a series of follow-up actions specific to those risks.	TBD	TBD	As needed	EP Div
ES-26	Proactively repair and replace corrugated metal pipe (CMP) MS4 components to provide source control from MS4 infrastructure.	This strategy is unfunded and there is no firm timeframe for development. The timeframe for this strategy will be updated in future WQIP updates, as funding becomes available	TBD	TBD	Ongoing	Engineering
ES-27	If a regional social services effort is established, support workgroup to provide sanitation and trash management for person experiencing homelessness and determine if the program is suitable and appropriate for jurisdictional needs to meet goals.	If a regional effort is established, participate in workgroup and determine if the program is suitable and appropriate for jurisdictional needs to meet goals.	TBD	Optional	TBD	EP Div
ES-28	If invasive plant and animal removal is necessary in key locations, collaborate with Urban Corps of San Diego or other volunteer groups as needed.	If opportunities for collaboration with the Urban Corps of San Diego or volunteer groups arise for the removal of invasives at key locations, then the City will try to take advantage of the opportunity.	TBD	Optional	As needed	EP Div with Public Works
ES-29	Participate in a Felicitia Creek Subwatershed Group	Should citizens choose to pursue such a group, the City will participate in a forum dedicated to addressing issues specific to Felicitia Creek, especially those issues which can be resolved through group collaboration (e.g. invasive species removal).	TBD	TBD	As needed	EP Div with Public Works

ID	Strategy	Implementation Approach	Location	Implementation or Construction Year	Frequency of Implementation	Responsible City Department and Other Collaborating Departments or Agencies
Multiuse Treatment Areas						
<i>Stream, Channel and Habitat Rehabilitation Projects</i>						
ES-30	Eagle Scout (formerly Sand) Lake Project	Eagle Scout Lake (formerly Sand Lake) is an existing multiuse treatment area and sediment detention basin in the City of Escondido. A major restoration project in early 2014 improved water flow, water quality issues (providing capacity for sediment settlement) and health and safety issues (vector control). The project drains the water from Kit Carson Creek and an adjacent ephemeral stream an area of approximately 4 acres. It is anticipated to be regularly maintained as needed, current estimates are once every five years, but will be determined on visual evaluation.	TBD	Prior to FY16	FY13-14	EP Div with Public Works
Green Infrastructure						
ES-31	If interim load reduction goals are not met and additional green infrastructure is required, approximately 26.15 acres of available space have been identified as potential opportunities for green infrastructure implementation on public parcels.	If monitoring data suggests that it is unlikely that goals will be met using the strategies identified for implementation through FY20, construction, operation and maintenance potential green infrastructure projects on public parcels will be investigated by initiating planning and assessing feasibility for 25% of the total parcel acreage identified.	TBD	Optional	TBD	EP Div
Green Streets						
ES-32	If interim load reduction goals are not met and additional green infrastructure is required, potential opportunities for green infrastructure implementation will be evaluated.	Construction, operation, and maintenance of green streets, if and where feasible, and as funding allows.	TBD	Optional	TBD	EP Div

EP Div = Environmental Programs Division; MWD = Metropolitan Water District; SDCWA = San Diego County Water Authority; TBD = will be determined during the next fiscal year.

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I.3 City of Poway Strategies

The City of Poway, located in the middle of the watershed, tends to have larger lot sizes and more pervious surfaces. Strategies focus on source control, such as open trash enclosures and a public waste yard, through monitoring and reducing the pollutant source exposure and storm water runoff, in addition to administrative JRMP strategies. The City of Poway has identified the jurisdictional strategies in Table I-3 to assist in meeting the Water Quality Improvement Plan goals. A compliance analysis using a watershed model was conducted to identify the strategies required to be implemented to meet interim and final goals. The adaptive management process provides the framework to evaluate progress toward meeting the goals and allows for modification of strategies. As strategies are modified, the compliance analysis will be updated as needed to provide assurance that numeric goals will be met.

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Table I-3
City of Poway Jurisdictional Strategies

ID	Strategy	Implementation Approach	Location	Implementation or Construction Year	Frequency of Implementation	Responsible City Department and Other Collaborating Departments or Agencies
Jurisdictional Strategies						
Development Planning						
All Development Projects						
PW-1	For all development projects, administer a program to ensure implementation of source control BMPs to minimize pollutant generation at each project and implement LID BMPs to maintain or restore hydrology of the area, where applicable and feasible.	Refer to JRMP.	City-wide	FY16	Ongoing	DSD
Priority Development Projects (PDPs)						
PW-2	For PDPs, administer a program requiring implementation of on-site structural BMPs to control pollutants and manage hydromodification. Includes confirmation of design, construction, and maintenance of PDP structural BMPs.	Refer to JRMP.	City-wide	FY16	Ongoing	DSD
PW-3	Update BMP Design Manual procedures to determine nature and extent of storm water requirements applicable to development projects and to identify conditions of concern for selecting, designing, and maintaining appropriate structural BMPs.	Refer to JRMP.	City-wide	FY16	As needed	DSD
PW-3.1	Amend BMP Design Manual for trash areas. Require full four-sided enclosure, siting away from storm drains and cover.	Implemented through the Minor Development Review process and the plan check process.	City-wide	FY16	As needed	DSD
PW-4	Administer an alternative compliance program to on-site structural BMP implementation (includes identifying Watershed Management Area Analysis [WMAA] candidate projects). Refer to Section 4.2.5. and Appendix M for further details.	Refer to JRMP.	City-wide	FY16	As needed	DSD
Construction Management						
PW-5	Administer a program to oversee implementation of BMPs during the construction phase of land development. Includes inspections at an appropriate frequency and enforcement of requirements.	Refer to JRMP; Perform daily inspections during construction.	City-wide	FY16	Ongoing	DSD
Existing Development						
Commercial, Industrial, Municipal, and Residential Facilities and Areas						
PW-6	Administer a program to require implementation of minimum BMPs for existing development (commercial, industrial, municipal, and residential) that are specific to the facility, area types, and PGAs, as appropriate. Includes inspection of existing development at appropriate frequencies and using appropriate methods.	Refer to JRMP; Commercial/Industrial/municipal are inspected annually, with municipal receiving more frequent inspections by staff.	City-wide	FY16	Ongoing	DSD
PW-6.1	Review policies and procedures to ensure discharges from swimming pools meet permit requirements.	Annually review policies and procedures.	City-wide	Prior to FY16	As needed (Annually)	DSD
PW-6.2	Track stationary and mobile businesses through communication with Business Licensing Division.	Maintain through the City's Commercial/Industrial program.	City-wide	FY16	Ongoing	DSD with Administrative Services
PW-7	Promote and encourage implementation of designated BMPs with all new construction.		City-wide	FY16	Ongoing	DSD

ID	Strategy	Implementation Approach	Location	Implementation or Construction Year	Frequency of Implementation	Responsible City Department and Other Collaborating Departments or Agencies
PW-7.1	Promote MWD and other groups to encourage implementation of water conservation programs that improve water quality by reducing over-irrigation with smart products or turf replacement and capturing rain water in residential areas.	Collaborate with MWD to promote their SoCal WaterSmart rebates and products such as weather based irrigation controllers, rotating sprinkler nozzles, soil moisture sensor system, rain barrels, and turf removal. Collaborate with San Diego County Water Authority (SDCWA) to promote their Water Smart irrigation system checkups and turf replacement incentives.	City-wide	FY16	Ongoing	DSD with MWD and SDCWA
PW-8	Promote and encourage implementation of designated BMPs in commercial areas.	Collaborate with MWD and promote their SoCal WaterSmart rebates and products such as weather based irrigation controllers, rotating sprinkler nozzles, soil moisture sensor system, rain barrels, and turf removal.	City-wide	FY16	Ongoing	DSD with MWD
PW-9	Implement program to investigate illegal grading on private property.	Program to investigate reports of illegal grading. Maintain records of reported illegal gradings and immediately investigate. If activity violates grading or stormwater regulation, issued a "Stop Work" notice and must obtain grading permit and correct stormwater violations. Reports are tracked in "Trackit" software as a code violation and bi-monthly meetings to discuss the status of reports. Grading cases are subject to a strict timeline of action, and enforcement is upped until either compliance, or a Notice of Violation is filed against the property. If it is a stormwater issue, the City's on-call stormwater contractor corrects the issue and City liens the property for payment. Follow the site's SWPPP and perform annual monitoring. Relocate activities to limit exposure to reduce pollutants and runoff.	City-wide	FY16	Ongoing	DSD
PW-10	Reconfiguring DPW waste yard to reduce pollutants/runoff.		City-wide	FY16	Ongoing	DSD with DPW
MS4 Infrastructure						
PW-11	Implementation of operation and maintenance activities (inspection and cleaning) for MS4 and related structures (catch basins, storm drain inlets, detention basins, etc.).	Refer to JRMP.	City-wide	FY16	Ongoing	DSD with DPW
PW-11.1	Perform catch basin cleaning.	Inspect and clean catch basins annually.	City-wide	FY16	Ongoing	DPW
PW-11.2	Clean open-channels and repair scour ponds to reduce pollutant loads and invasive plants and animals.	Inspect and clean open channels and scour ponds.	City-wide	FY16	Ongoing	DPW
PW-11.3	Proactively repair and replace corrugated metal pipe (CMP) MS4 components to provide source control from MS4 infrastructure.	Implement CMP replacement program with an emphasis on pipes in open canyons.	City-wide	FY16	Ongoing	DSD with DPW
PW-12	Implement controls to prevent infiltration of sewage into the MS4 from leaking sanitary sewers and identify sewer leaks and areas for sewer pipe replacement.	Program implemented through sewer maintenance and inspection program.	City-wide	FY16	Ongoing	DSD with DPW
Roads, Street, and Parking Lots						
PW-13	Implement operation and maintenance activities for public streets, unpaved roads, paved roads, and paved highways.	Refer to JRMP. The City of Poway is divided into 7 zones for road operation and maintenance activities; rotational cycle: one zone inspected each year	City-wide	FY16	Ongoing	DSD with DPW
PW-13.1	Implement street sweeping.	Refer to JRMP; all areas swept twice per month.	City-wide	FY16	Ongoing	DPW

ID	Strategy	Implementation Approach	Location	Implementation or Construction Year	Frequency of Implementation	Responsible City Department and Other Collaborating Departments or Agencies
PW-13.2	Increase maintenance on access roads by proactively monitoring for erosion and completing minor repair and slope stabilization.		City-wide	FY16	Ongoing	DSD with DPW
PW-13.3	Increase maintenance on access trails by proactively monitoring for erosion and completing minor repair and slope stabilization.		City-wide	FY16	Ongoing	DSD with DPW
<i>Pesticide, Herbicides, and Fertilizer BMP Program</i>						
PW-14	Require implementation of BMPs to address application, storage, and disposal of pesticides, herbicides, and fertilizers on commercial, industrial, and municipal properties. Includes education, permits, and certifications.	Refer to JRMP.	City-wide	FY16	Ongoing	DSD
<i>Retrofit and Rehabilitation in Areas of Existing Development</i>						
PW-15	Develop and implement a strategy to identify candidate areas of existing development appropriate for retrofitting projects and facilitate the implementation of such projects.		City-wide	TBD	Ongoing	DSD
PW-16	Develop and implement a strategy to identify candidate areas of existing development for stream, channel, or habitat rehabilitation projects and facilitate implementation of such projects.		City-wide	TBD	Ongoing	DSD
<i>Illicit Discharge, Detection, and Elimination (IDDE) Program</i>						
PW-17	Implement Illicit Discharge, Detection, and Elimination (IDDE) Program per the JRMP. Requirements include: maintaining an MS4 map, using municipal personnel and contractors to identify and report illicit discharges, maintaining a hotline for public reporting of illicit discharges, monitoring MS4 outfalls, and investigating and addressing any illicit discharges.	Refer to JRMP.	City-wide	FY16	Ongoing	DSD
<i>Public Education and Participation</i>						
PW-18	Implement a public education and participation program to promote and encourage development of programs, management practices, and behaviors that reduce the discharge of pollutants in storm water prioritized by high-risk behaviors, pollutants of concern, and target audiences.	Refer to JRMP.	City-wide	FY16	Ongoing	DSD
PW-18.1	Target school-based education and outreach.	Through "I Love a Clean San Diego," give school presentations to fourth-graders eight times per year.	City-wide	FY16	Ongoing	DSD with I Love a Clean San Diego
PW-18.2	Conduct education through community-based organizations.	Through "I Love a Clean San Diego," staff street fair booths twice per year.	City-wide	FY16	Ongoing	DSD with I Love a Clean San Diego
PW-18.3	Review City storm water website and identify and implement required updates to reflect WQIP and JRMP revisions.	Review City storm water website, identify and implement required updates to reflect WQIP and JRMP revisions.	City-wide	Prior to FY16	As needed	DSD
PW-18.4	Target human behavior in parks and other public areas including trash reduction or other high impact behavior to habitat, wildlife, and water quality.	Implement trash reduction programs by increasing the number of trash and recycling bins during high-traffic public events and in public parks.	City-wide	FY16	Ongoing	DSD

ID	Strategy	Implementation Approach	Location	Implementation or Construction Year	Frequency of Implementation	Responsible City Department and Other Collaborating Departments or Agencies
PW-18.5	Collaborate with regional education and outreach efforts.	Participate in Regional Think Blue campaign and collaborate with other regional efforts to provide consistent message or efficiency in training for targeted audiences.	City-wide	FY16	Ongoing	DSD with regional education and outreach campaigns
Enforcement Response Plan						
PW-19	Implement escalating enforcement responses to compel compliance with statutes, ordinances, permits, contracts, orders, and other requirements for IDDE, development planning, construction management, and existing development in the Enforcement Response Plan.	Refer to JRMP.	City-wide	FY16	Ongoing	DSD
Additional Nonstructural Strategies						
PW-20	Conduct special studies.	San Diego Regional Reference Stream Study (currently being conducted by the Southern California Coastal Water Research Project). The study will develop numeric targets that account for "natural sources" to establish the concentrations or loads from streams in a minimally disturbed or "reference" condition. Refer to Section 5.1 for further details.	City-wide	TBD	TBD	DSD
PW-20.1	Reference watershed study.	Los Peñasquitos VMA special study will assess sediment loads in the watersheds upstream of the Draft Sediment TMDL compliance monitoring locations. Includes the analysis of sediment water column loads, stream bedload, and air monitoring. Implemented in a phased approach. Monitoring will occur first in the Carroll Canyon subwatershed. The Los Peñasquitos Creek and Carmel Valley Creek subwatersheds will be monitored in subsequent phases. Refer to Section 5.1 for further details.	City-wide	FY16	Ongoing	DSD
PW-21	As opportunities arise and funding sources are identified, protect areas that are functioning naturally by avoiding impervious development and degradation on unpaved open space areas, creating permanent open space protections on undeveloped city-owned land, and acquiring privately-owned undeveloped open areas.	As opportunities arise, where feasible, avoid hardscape development and degradation in unpaved open space areas, create permanent open space protections to undeveloped city-owned land, and acquire privately owned undeveloped parcels of land.	TBD	Optional	As available	DSD
Green Infrastructure						
PW-22	If interim load reduction goals are not met and additional green infrastructure is required, 74 acres of available space have been identified as potential opportunities for green infrastructure implementation on public parcels.	Construction, operation and maintenance of 74 total parcel acreage of potential green infrastructure projects on public parcels.	TBD	Trigger	TBD	DSD
Multifuze Treatment Areas						
PW-23	If interim load reduction goals are not met and additional multifuze treatment areas are required, an infiltration basin can be implemented near Chaparral Elementary School.	There are 4.4 acres available to construct an infiltration basin to treat 45.5 acres of primarily single-family residential areas.	Near Chaparral Elementary School	Trigger	TBD	DSD

ID	Strategy	Implementation Approach	Location	Implementation or Construction Year	Frequency of Implementation	Responsible City Department and Other Collaborating Departments or Agencies
PW-24	If interim load reduction goals are not met and additional multiuse treatment areas are required, a subsurface detention basin can be implemented on the grounds of Painted Rock Elementary School.	Painted Rock Elementary has about 2.2 acres available for a subsurface detention basin that could potentially treat 164 acres of residential areas.	Painted Rock Elementary School	Trigger	TBD	DSD

DSD = Development Services Department; DPW = Department of Public Works; MWD = Metropolitan Water District; SDWCA = San Diego County Water Authority; TBD = will be determined during the next fiscal year.

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I.4 City of San Diego Strategies and Funding Needs

The City of San Diego (City) has identified water quality improvement strategies that are expected to provide the greatest benefits to the watershed and its residents, businesses, communities within the City's jurisdictional boundaries.

Strategies were selected by evaluating the following considerations, in descending priority:

- ❖ Potential to reduce pollutant loads for the highest priority condition condition(s)
- ❖ Potential to reduce loads for other pollutants (including priority water quality conditions)
- ❖ Cost effectiveness
- ❖ Feasibility and ease of implementation
- ❖ Social impacts and benefits
- ❖ Other¹ impacts and benefits

The strategies that provide the best value, most return on investment, and greatest range of benefits will be recommended, as needed, as the City moves forward in its water quality improvement efforts. The recommended strategies identified are consistent with those already identified in the Comprehensive Load Reduction Plans (CLRPs) for various TMDLs in the San Diego Region.

The City is currently developing a framework to evaluate potential other benefits the recommended strategies may provide beyond improved water quality. These additional benefits may be financial, environmental, or societal. The recommended strategies will be scored based on the number of other benefits they provide, and may guide future updates to the Water Quality Improvement Plan (Appendix M).

The cumulative storm water quality benefits of the recommended strategies identified in this Plan are needed to achieve the level of effort needed to demonstrate progress toward achieving the Water Quality Improvement Plan's (Plan) interim and final numeric goals. It is important to note that these strategies are subject to change through the iterative, adaptive management process set forth in this Water Quality Improvement Plan. Through the adaptive management process the City will be able to implement strategies and assess their impact to water quality and use new available information to refine, modify, remove, replace, or add strategies which will ensure the most effective suite of strategies are being implemented. Therefore, actual implementation of strategies is dependent upon

¹ Other benefits refer to outcomes of a strategy beyond water quality improvements. Other benefits can include reduced air pollution, increased water conservation, watershed protection, public open space, aesthetics-induced property value increases, and increased business investments.

both approval of funding in future annual budgets and adjustments that may occur as part of the iterative process.

The recommended strategies will be implemented by the City; they are not intended to be implemented by private entities (e.g. development, business, industry, etc.). Some of the City's strategies, such as development planning, may have implications for private entities. The City has also developed a schedule as a best estimate of the shortest amount of time required to plan and implement the strategies. A compliance analysis using a watershed model was conducted to identify the strategies required to be implemented to meet interim and final goals. The adaptive management process provides the framework to evaluate progress toward meeting the goals and allows for modification of strategies. As strategies are modified, the compliance analysis will be updated as needed to provide assurance that numeric goals will be met.

Optional strategies are activities that may be implemented by the City at its discretion through the iterative approach. Unlike the recommended strategies, optional strategies have not been determined to be necessary in order to achieve the Plan's interim and final numeric goals. However, the City may select from the optional strategies at any time when identified triggers are met, or if the current suite of recommended strategies is not demonstrating sufficient progress toward achieving interim or final numeric goals.

The City's Storm Water Division leads the City's efforts to protect and improve water quality and reduce flood risk. These activities include but are not limited to: public education, employee training, water quality monitoring, source identification, code enforcement, watershed management, and Best Management Practices development/implementation within the City's jurisdictional boundaries. The Storm Water Division is also tasked with providing the most efficient storm drain system operation and maintenance services including inspection, maintenance, and repair of storm drain systems in the public right of way and drainage easements. The complete list of strategies undertaken by the Storm Water Division is presented in this section.

The City has developed projected funding needs that will be used to submit annual budget requests to secure the resources necessary to comply with the Municipal Permit. These funding needs include four general categories:

- (1) Storm Water Division funding needs to implement day-to-day operational JRMP activities as required by Provision E in the Municipal Permit;
- (2) Storm Water Division funding needs for flood risk management programs associated with the JRMP, such as infrastructure repair and replacement;
- (3) Storm Water Division funding needs for activities managed by the Storm Water Division to meet the goals identified in the WQIP; and
- (4) Funding needs for City departments and divisions other than the Storm Water Division to implement day-to-day operational JRMP activities, as required by the Municipal Permit. Examples of JRMP activities include administration, training, and best management (BMP) implementation.

The City's Storm Water Division funding needs (which represent the first three categories above) are presented below as "City of San Diego" funding needs, but do not include funding needs for other City departments and divisions to implement required JRMP activities (category four above) because the recommended strategies included in this plan only apply to the City's Storm Water Division. For more information about the funding needs for non-Storm Water Division departments and divisions, please refer to the fiscal analysis in the City's Jurisdictional Runoff Management Plan (Section 10).

Table I-4 presents the projected funding needs to implement the San Dieguito River WMA Water Quality Improvement Plan through FY40. The compliance period for San Dieguito River is through FY31, when the final goals are expected to be met. To maintain comparability among Water Quality Improvement Plan projected funding needs for different WMAs (the City is in six WMAs with different compliance schedules), ongoing operation and maintenance costs after the compliance period (between FY32 and FY40 for San Dieguito River) are included in Table I-4. However, the majority of the funding will be needed within the first 15 years to meet the numeric goals. Twenty five year funding needs (FY16 - FY40) for the San Dieguito River WMA are presented for JRMP activities, flood risk management programs, and Water Quality Improvement Plan activities by funding source: the City's General Fund (GF) or Capital Improvement Projects (CIP) funds. The General Fund is generally used for nonstructural strategies, design support, and operations and maintenance (O&M) of structural projects. CIP funding is used during the design and construction phase of structural projects. The source of the funding needs is the Storm Water Division's 2015 Watershed Asset Management Plan (WAMP) Cost Update, which will be made available on the Storm Water Division's website² in July 2015.

Figure I-1 illustrates the projected fiscal year annual funding needs over the 25-year compliance period for the Storm Water Division to implement its JRMP activities, flood risk management programs, and Water Quality Improvement Plan activities in the San Dieguito River WMA. Figure I-2 shows the projected fiscal year GF and CIP funding needs for each of these years. Figure I-3 and Figure I-4 show the projected fiscal year GF and CIP funding needs, respectively, by category for each of these years.

The recommended strategies selected are presented in Table I-5. The City's schedule table is found in Table I-6.

² <http://www.sandiego.gov/stormwater/plansreports/>

Table I-4
City of San Diego Projected Fiscal Year Funding Needs by Funding Source and Category for the San Dieguito River WMA (FY16-40)¹

General Fund	
Water Quality Improvement Plan	\$6,371,642
JRMP	\$61,301,839
Flood Risk Management	\$43,903,045
Sub Total General Fund:	\$111,576,526
CIP	
Water Quality Improvement Plan	\$446,332
JRMP	\$0
Flood Risk Management	\$13,171,136
Sub Total CIP:	\$13,617,468
Total	
25 FY San Dieguito River WMA Total Need	\$125,193,994

1. Does not include funding needs for other City of San Diego Departments or Divisions to implement JRMP required activities.

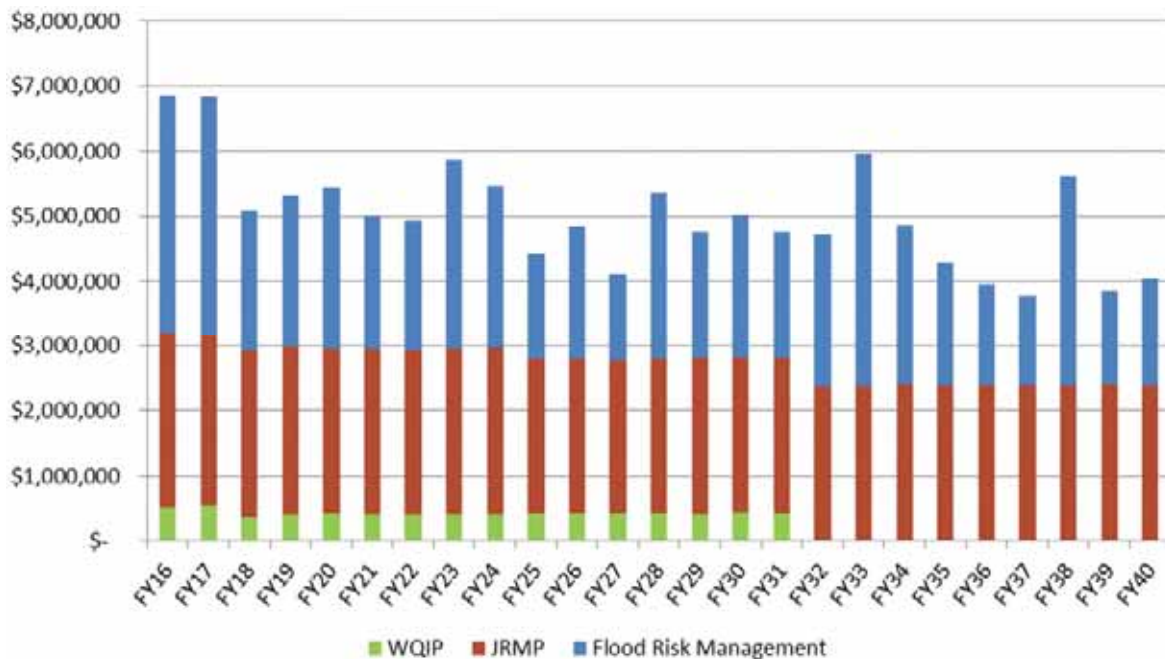


Figure I-1
City of San Diego Projected Fiscal Year Annual Funding Needs by Category for the San Dieguito River WMA

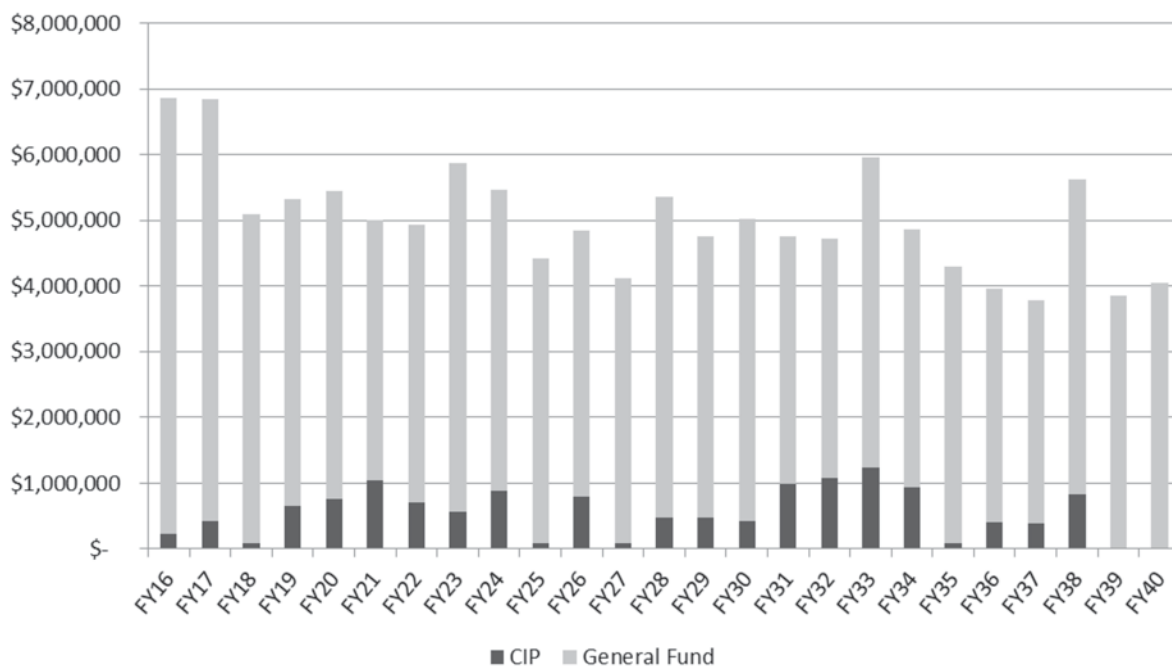


Figure I-2
City of San Diego Projected Fiscal Year Annual Funding Needs by Funding Source for the San Dieguito River WMA

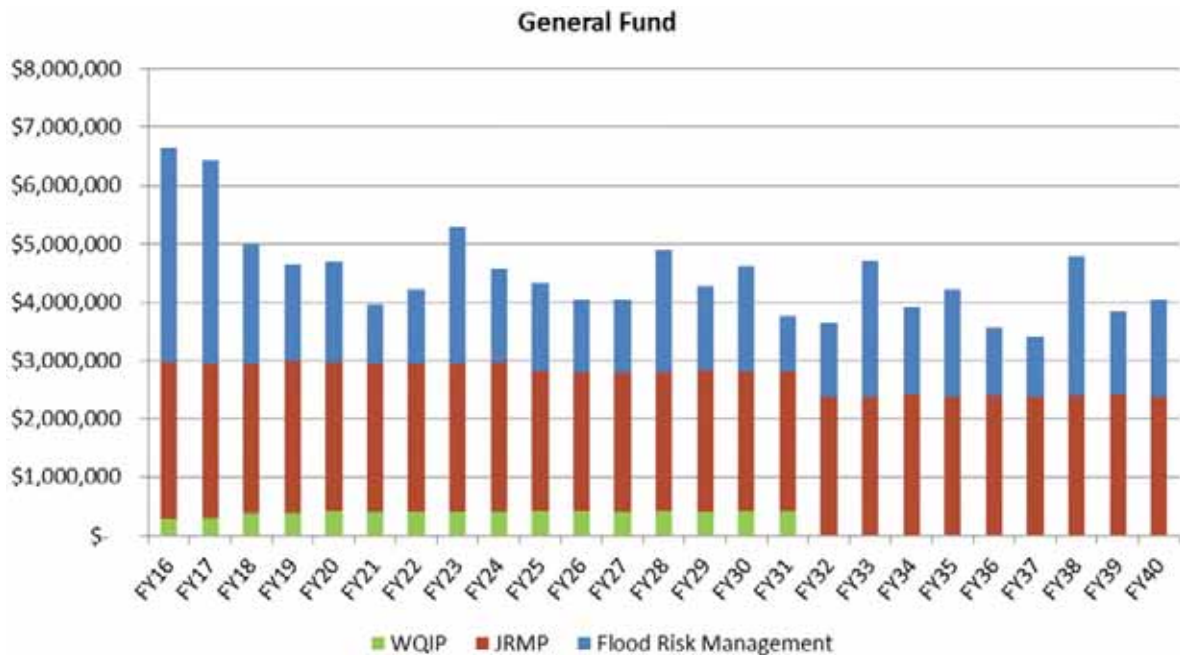


Figure I-3
City of San Diego Projected Fiscal Year Annual General Fund Funding Needs for the San Dieguito River WMA

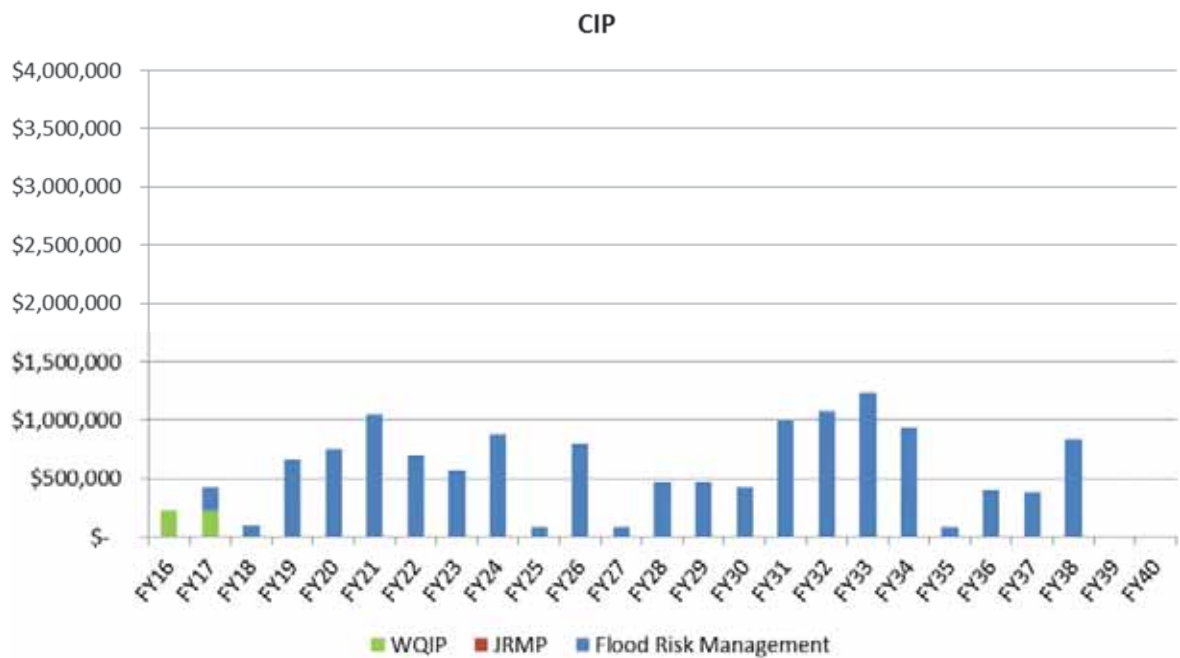


Figure I-4
City of San Diego Projected Fiscal Year Annual CIP Funding Needs for the San Dieguito River WMA

Table I-5
City of San Diego Jurisdictional Strategies

ID	Strategy	Implementation Approach	Location	Implementation or Construction Year Start	Frequency of Implementation	Responsible City Department and Other Collaborating Departments or Agencies
Jurisdictional Strategies						
Development Planning						
All Development Projects						
CSD-1	Establish guidelines and standards for all development projects; provide technical support related to implementation of source control BMP's to minimize pollutant generation at each project and implement LID BMPs to maintain or restore hydrology of the area or implement easements to protect water quality, where applicable and feasible. Includes internal coordination and collaboration between City departments (DSD, PWD, and Engineering) to improve success and long-term benefits of BMPs.	Refer to JRMP Section 4.	City-wide	Prior to FY16	Ongoing	T&SW with DSD, PWD, BIA, NGOs, Copermitees, and Engineering Community
CSD-1.1	Investigation and research of emerging technology.	Annually the Construction & Development Standards Group identifies new tasks to conduct literature review, communication with researchers outside of the City, physical testing and experimentation of new or emerging technologies, and other research with the goal of updating tools available for reducing pollutant loads from development and redevelopment sites.	City-wide	Prior to FY16	As needed	T&SW with DSD, PWD, BIA, NGOs, Copermitees, and Engineering Community
CSD-1.2	Approve and implement a green infrastructure policy.	The City will begin developing a policy in FY16 that will increase the green infrastructure requirements for City CIP projects. This policy will be coordinated with ongoing efforts to update City design manuals and LID design standards for public LID BMPs.	City-wide	FY16 (Begin)	As needed	T&SW with DSD and PWD
CSD-1.3	Develop Design Standards for Public LID BMPs.	Improve quality of design to ensure efficiency and reliability in public designs.	City-wide	FY14-FY15	As needed	T&SW with DSD, PWD, BIA, NGOs, Copermitees, and Engineering Community
CSD-1.4	Outreach to impacted industry regarding minimum BMP requirement updates.	Affects commercial, industrial, and residential development.	City-wide	FY15	As needed	TBD
CSD-2	Train staff on LID regulatory changes and LID practices.	Formal training is required for all staff involved in development plan review to increase knowledge of LID BMPs. Goal of training associated with LID practices and regulations is to promote LID implementation and to avoid adverse conditions such as trees planted within swales, or planned drainage patterns which obstruct or inhibit LID performance.	City-wide	FY16	As needed	T&SW with DSD, PWD, BIA, NGOs, Copermitees, and Engineering Community
CSD-3	Amend municipal code and ordinances, including zoning ordinances, to facilitate and encourage LID opportunities to support compliance with the MS4 Permit and TMDLs in a reasonable manner. Ensure consistency with the City of San Diego's BMP Design Manual. Update the Storm Water Standards Manual accordingly.	Municipal codes and ordinances will be brought to City Council for consideration to encourage LID implementation (e.g., runoff detention and filtration using natural filters and stormwater retention for reuse) LID stormwater management will be encouraged in proposed codes and ordinances associated with development and redevelopment projects, which are brought to City Council for consideration.	City-wide	FY15	As needed	T&SW with DSD, PWD, BIA, NGOs, Copermitees, and Engineering Community

ID	Strategy	Implementation Approach	Location	Implementation or Construction Year Start	Frequency of Implementation	Responsible City Department and Other Collaborating Departments or Agencies
CSD-4	Create a manual that outlines right-of-way design standards.	Create a manual that includes flood control performance standards, permanent BMP elements design standards, design standards for green streets and other BMPs, and maintenance access. Provides drainage and streets design standards. Opportunity to merge various existing manuals and provide consistency.	City-wide	FY15	One time	T&SW with DSD and PWD
CSD-5	Provide technical education and outreach to the development community on the design and implementation requirements of the MS4 Permit and Water Quality Improvement Plan requirements.	Technical education and outreach to the development community includes outreach on design standards, City design manuals, and the WMAA.	City-wide	Prior to FY16	Ongoing	T&SW with DSD
Priority Development Projects (PDPs)						
CSD-6	For PDPs, provide technical support to other City departments to ensure implementation of on-site structural BMPs to control pollutants and manage hydromodification by developing City wide storm water development standards and design guidelines.	Coordinate with other City departments to promote and confirm a thorough understanding of requirements for implementing structural BMPs that control pollutants and manage hydromodification. Included in that understanding are requirements to confirm proper design and construction through processes controlled by other City departments.	City-wide	FY16	Ongoing	T&SW with DSD, PWD, BIA, NGOs, Copeemitees, and Engineering Community
CSD-6.1	Institute a program to verify and enforce maintenance and performance of treatment control BMPs.	Refer to JRMP Section 4.5.	City-wide	FY16	Ongoing	T&SW with DSD, PWD, BIA, NGOs, Copeemitees, and Engineering Community
CSD-7	Update BMP Design Manual procedures to determine nature and extent of storm water requirements applicable to development projects and to identify conditions of concern for selecting, designing, and maintaining appropriate structural BMPs.	Refer to JRMP Section 4.	City-wide	FY15	Every 5 years/ permit cycle	T&SW with DSD, PWD, BIA, NGOs, Copeemitees, and Engineering Community
CSD-7.1	Amend BMP Design Manual for trash areas. Require full four-sided enclosure, siting away from storm drains and cover. Consider the retrofit requirement.	Amend BMP Design Manual and zoning standards/requirements which address reduction of pollutants for common areas of trash build-up (e.g. restaurants, supermarkets, "big box" retail stores with food, pet stores). Most effective method for source control of bacteria and trash is to employ four-sided trash enclosures with a cover over trash areas.	City-wide	FY15	One time	T&SW with DSD, PWD, BIA, NGOs, Copeemitees, and Engineering Community
CSD-7.2	Amend BMP Design Manual for animal-related facilities, such as such as animal shelters, "doggie day care" facilities, veterinary clinics, breeding, boarding and training facilities, groomers, and pet care stores.	Amend BMP Design Manual and zoning requirements (including retrofits) to provide supplemental standards for animal facilities (including animal shelters, dog daycares, veterinary clinics, groomers, pet car stores, and breeding, boarding, and training facilities). Supplemental standards may include requiring covered trash enclosures, identification of landscaped relief areas on site plans, ensuring drainage connections and treatment swales for areas that will not drain to the sanitary sewer, as well as inspection of grading, drainage, and landscaping for outdoor exercise areas.	City-wide	FY15	One time	T&SW with DSD, PWD, BIA, NGOs, Copeemitees, and Engineering Community

ID	Strategy	Implementation Approach	Location	Implementation or Construction Year Start	Frequency of Implementation	Responsible City Department and Other Collaborating Departments or Agencies
CSD-7.3	Amend BMP Design Manual for nurseries and garden centers.	Amend BMP Design Manual to provide supplemental standards for plant nurseries and garden centers. Standards will focus on reducing irrigation runoff, and loading of sediment, pesticides, and nutrients. Measures may include: covered outdoor storage, green waste management BMPs, improved irrigation efficiency to reduce dry-weather runoff, and containment of runoff from impervious areas where plants and materials are stored.	City-wide	FY15	One time	T&SW with DSD, PWD, BIA, NGOs, Copeemitees, and Engineering Community
CSD-7.4	Amend BMP Design Manual for auto-related uses.	Amend BMP Design Manual to provide supplemental standards for automotive-related uses to reduce loading of metals, oils, grease, and trash. Measures may include: four-sized covered trash enclosures, and careful review of auto-related usage areas (e.g. garage bays at repair shops) for grading, drainage, and drain connections to sanitary sewer systems.	City-wide	FY15	One time	T&SW with DSD, PWD, BIA, NGOs, Copeemitees, and Engineering Community
CSD-8	Develop and administer an alternative compliance program for on-site structural BMP implementation (includes identifying Watershed Management Area Analysis [WMAA] candidate projects). Refer to Section 4.2.5.	Refer to JRMP Section 4.2.3.1.	City-wide	FY15	Ongoing	T&SW with DSD, PWD, BIA, NGOs, Copeemitees, and Engineering Community
CSD-8.1	Create a fund that allows habitat acquisition, protection enhancement, and restoration in conjunction with other cooperating entities including community groups, academic institutions, state county, and federal agencies, etc.	This strategy may be triggered as 1) interim goals are not met, 2) funding to address MS4 discharges is identified and secured, 3) staff resources are identified and secured, 4) partners have been identified and formal MOUs have been developed, and 5) consensus and community support has been achieved.	City-wide	Optional	TBD	T&SW with DSD, PWD, BIA, NGOs, Copeemitees, and Engineering Community
Construction Management						
CSD-9	Coordinate with other City departments to promote and confirm a thorough understanding of requirements for implementing temporary BMPs that control sediment and other pollutants during the construction phase of projects. Included in that understanding are requirements to inspect at appropriate frequencies and effectively enforce requirements through process controlled by other City departments.	Refer to JRMP Section 5.	City-wide	FY16	Ongoing	T&SW with DSD, PWD, BIA, NGOs, Copeemitees, and Engineering Community
Existing Development						
Commercial, Industrial, Municipal, and Residential Facilities and Areas						
CSD-10	Administer a program to require implementation of minimum BMPs for existing development (commercial, industrial, municipal, and residential) that are specific to the facility, area types, and PGAs, as appropriate. Includes inspection of existing development at appropriate frequencies and using appropriate methods.	Refer to JRMP Sections 6, 7, and 8.	City-wide	FY16	Ongoing	T&SW with DSD, PUD, & PWD
CSD-10.1	Update minimum BMPs for existing residential, commercial, and industrial development. Specific updates to BMPs include required street sweeping, catch basin cleaning, and maintenance of private roads and parking lots in targeted areas.	Refer to JRMP Appendix IX.	City-wide	FY15	Every 5 years	T&SW

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CSD-10.2	Outreach to property managers and trash haulers to elevate the emphasis of power washing as a pollutant source.	Emphasis will be placed on non-compliant washing as an enforceable violation.	City-wide Residential, commercial and industrial areas	FY15	Ongoing	T&SW
CSD-10.3	Implement property based inspections.	Property-based inspections increase awareness and responsibility for individual properties to tackle issues associated with trash, landscapes, and parking areas. Expanding beyond the business-level inspections will achieve different and more effective opportunities for education, outreach, inspection, and enforcement to encourage water conservation strategies.	City-wide	Prior to FY16	Ongoing	T&SW
CSD-10.4	Review policies and procedures to ensure discharges from swimming pools meet permit requirements.	Verify and bring to City Council for consideration an update (as needed) for the City's Municipal Code (43.0301) to meet new permit requirements for swimming pool discharges.	City-wide	FY15	As needed	T&SW, City Attorney (Civil & Criminal)
CSD-11	Promote and encourage implementation of designated BMPs for residential and non-residential areas.	Landscape-based rebates are a "gateway" for adoption of other beneficial practices and are one of the nonstructural methods which address impacts from single-family residential areas (City of San Diego 2011 program development background study). Residential incentives can include: education and training (neighborhood watershed field days), and aggressive subsidies or rebates for grass replacement and rainwater harvesting. Existing programs will be expanded overall, and also have targeted expansion within specific subwatershed, particularly with highest water quality priority conditions.	City-wide Residential and Commercial Areas	Prior to FY16	Ongoing	T&SW with DSD, PUD, PWD, MWD, CWA & local water agencies
CSD-11.1	Residential and Commercial BMP: Rain Barrel	The existing PUD rebate program will continue for residential properties and expand for commercial properties for water collection, conservation, and reuse with rain barrels.	City-wide Residential Areas	Prior to FY16	Ongoing	T&SW with DSD, PUD, PWD, & local water agencies
CSD-11.2	Residential and Commercial BMP: Grass Replacement	The existing PUD grass replacement cash rebate program will continue and expand for residential and commercial properties. Program encourages a reduction in water use through the conversion of non-artificial grass to water wise plant material, while maintaining a high level of living landscape to benefit the environment. Program does not allow for conversion to artificial turf.	City-wide Residential and Commercial Areas	Prior to FY16	Ongoing	T&SW with DSD, PUD, PWD, & local water agencies
CSD-11.3	Residential and Commercial BMP: Downspout Disconnect	Disconnecting downspouts provide alternate runoff pathways from rooftops, sidewalks, driveways, and roads. Disconnecting downspouts from residential areas to pervious land can allow for depression storage and infiltration.	City-wide Residential and Commercial Areas	FY16	Ongoing	T&SW with DSD, PUD, PWD, & local water agencies
CSD-11.4	Residential and Commercial BMP: Microirrigation	The existing PUD micro-irrigation rebate program will continue and increase for residential and commercial properties. Application of microirrigation aims to improve the efficiency of landscape irrigation through the precise application of water.	City-wide Residential Areas	Prior to FY16	Ongoing	T&SW with DSD, PUD, PWD, & local water agencies

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CSD-11.5	Provide Onsite Water Conservation Surveys.	Provide free onsite water conservation surveys to commercial and residential customers to reduce overirrigation and to encourage water conservation.	City-wide Residential and Commercial Areas	Prior to FY16	Ongoing	T&SW with DSD, PUD, PWD, & local water agencies
MS4 Infrastructure						
CSD-12	Implementation of operation and maintenance activities (inspection and cleaning) for MS4 and related structures (catch basins, storm drain inlets, channels as allowed by resource agencies, detention basins, pump stations, etc.) for water quality improvement and for flood control risk management.	Refer to JRMP Section 7.	City-wide	FY16	Ongoing	T&SW
CSD-12.1	Proactively repair and replace MS4 components to provide source control from MS4 infrastructure.	In order to limit inflow of pollutants and reduce pollutant loads, proactive measures will be taken to improve, repair, and replace MS4 components. The City of San Diego will start a multi-year program of repairing and replacing storm drain pipes to reduce sediment loading to the MS4. Development of an assessment management program and bond issues will be addressed. Exploration of daylighting pipes will take place where feasible and appropriate.	City-wide	FY16	Ongoing	T&SW
CSD-12.2	Replacement of hard assets including storm drains and structures.	Refer to JRMP Section 7.	City-wide	FY16	Ongoing	T&SW
CSD-13	Coordinate with other City departments (PUD) to implement controls to prevent infiltration of sewage into the MS4 from leaking sanitary sewers.	Refer to JRMP Section 7.	City-wide	FY16	Ongoing	T&SW with PUD
CSD-13.1	Identify sewer leaks and areas for sewer pipe replacement prioritization.	Risk assessment to include identifying targeted areas (age, location, proximity to MS4), coming up with methodology, pilot, desktop exercise/analysis.	City-wide	FY16	As needed	T&SW with PUD
Roads, Street, and Parking Lots						
CSD-14	Implement operation and maintenance activities for public streets, unpaved roads, paved roads, and paved highways.	Refer to JRMP Section 7.	City-wide	FY16	Ongoing	T&SW
CSD-14.1	Initiate sweeping of medians on high-volume arterial roadways.	Medians of roadways are also a potential source of pollutants. Consider implementing or increasing sweeping of medians. Consider mechanical and hand sweeping techniques.	City-wide	FY17	Ongoing	T&SW
Pesticide, Herbicides, and Fertilizer BMP Program						
CSD-15	Require implementation of BMPs to address application, storage, and disposal of pesticides, herbicides, and fertilizers on commercial, industrial, and municipal properties. Includes education, permits, and certifications.	Refer to JRMP Sections 7, 8, and 9.	City-wide	FY16	Ongoing	T&SW with Parks and Rec

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<i>Retrofit and Rehabilitation in Areas of Existing Development</i>						
CSD-16	Develop and implement a strategy to identify candidate areas of existing development appropriate for retrofitting projects and facilitate the implementation of such projects.	Refer to JRMP Appendix XIX. The Offsite Alternative Compliance Program will include methods for identifying and assessing potential retrofit projects in existing development areas. Retrofit project selection will be based upon a variety of factors including proximity to high priority water quality conditions, potential pollutant load removal effectiveness, and feasibility of implementation. The program will include protocols related to funding mechanisms for project construction and long-term maintenance, payment and credit structures, and water quality equivalency standards.	City-wide	TBD	Ongoing	T&SW with DSD, PWD, BIA, NGOs, Copeemitees, and Engineering Community
CSD-17	Develop and implement a strategy to identify candidate areas of existing development for stream, channel, or habitat rehabilitation projects and facilitate implementation of such projects.	Refer to JRMP Appendix XIX. The Offsite Alternative Compliance Program (Section 4.2.5.3 and Appendix M) will include methods for identifying and assessing potential stream, channel, or habitat rehabilitation projects in existing development areas. Rehabilitation project selection will be based upon a variety of factors including existing stream or habitat degradation, potential future cumulative stream or habitat impacts, and feasibility of implementation. The program will include protocols related to funding mechanisms for project construction and long-term maintenance, payment and credit structures, and water quality equivalency standards.	City-wide	TBD	Ongoing	T&SW with DSD, PWD, BIA, NGOs, Copeemitees, and Engineering Community
<i>Illicit Discharge, Detection, and Elimination (IDDE) Program</i>						
CSD-18	Implement Illicit Discharge, Detection, and Elimination (IDDE) Program per the JRMP. Requirements include: maintaining an MS4 map, using municipal personnel and contractors to identify and report illicit discharges, maintaining a hotline for public reporting of illicit discharges, monitoring MS4 outfalls, and investigating and addressing any illicit discharges.	Refer to JRMP Section 3.	City-wide	Prior to FY16	Ongoing	T&SW
<i>Public Education and Participation</i>						
CSD-19	Implement a public education and participation program to promote and encourage development of programs, management practices, and behaviors that reduce the discharge of pollutants in storm water prioritized by high-risk behaviors, pollutants of concern, and target audiences.	Refer to JRMP Section 9.	City-wide	Prior to FY16	Ongoing	T&SW
CSD-19.1	Continue implementation of a Pet Waste Program.	Pet Waste Program includes outreach on "Scoop the poop", installation of posts for dispensers, distribution of lawn signs, and attendance at dog-related community activities.	City-wide	Prior to FY16	Ongoing	T&SW with Parks and Rec
CSD-19.2	Promote and encourage implementation of designated BMPs in commercial and industrial areas.	Provide education and outreach on BMPs for commercial businesses and industrial facilities.	City-wide Non-residential Areas	Prior to FY16	Ongoing	T&SW with PUD; Funding: Prop 84 and water districts (MWD)
CSD-19.3	Expand outreach to homeowners' association (HOA) common lands and HOA incentives.	Approaches to consider include: offering incentives to HOAs and maintenance districts to adopt water-conserving/efficiency and stormwater-reduction changes to their landscapes, irrigation, and maintenance; conducting workshops with property managers; providing supplemental standards, inspection, or enforcement for HOA-managed properties.	City-wide	FY16	Ongoing	T&SW

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CSD-19.4	Develop an outreach and training program for property managers responsible for HOAs and maintenance districts.	Approaches to engage HOAs and property managers include: conducting workshops with property managers, providing supplemental standards, inspections or enforcement around HOA properties, and offering incentives to HOAs and maintenance districts to adopt changes to landscapes, irrigation, or maintenance which promote water conservation or stormwater reduction. Property managers are also a target for enhanced outreach.	City-wide	FY16	Ongoing	T&SW
CSD-19.5	Enhance and expand trash cleanups through community-based organizations involving target audiences.	Increase effectiveness and reach of trash/beach cleanups and community based efforts by engaging community groups to self-define and carry-out trash clean-ups. Longstanding partnerships and sponsorships with I Love A Clean San Diego and others are recommended to be continued and enhanced. To effectively target stream clean-up efforts, focus on partnerships with community organizations which provide strong engagement with target audiences and communities.	City-wide	FY16	Ongoing	T&SW; Park and Rec
CSD-19.6	Improve consistency and content of websites to highlight enforceable conditions and reporting methods.	Websites will be updated to provide a user-friendly format and clarity for stormwater violations, conditions which citizens can and should report, and how to make such reports. Examples of reports for common incidents will be developed and posted which may vary locally and regionally. Photographs of allowable practices as well as illegal practices should be shown for utmost clarity. Displaying hotline numbers prominently on the website and near the photographs of illegal practices will ensure that those seeking to report will be able to do so easily. Also ensure hotline number and website are searchable and can be retrieved by simple internet searches.	City-wide	Prior to FY16	Ongoing	T&SW
CSD-19.7	Develop a targeted education and outreach program for homeowners with orchards or other agricultural land uses on their property.	Educate residents on practices of small-scale or on-site composting to protect local water quality. May include targeted education of owners of chickens. Outreach can be coordinated through the San Diego County Agriculture, Weights, and Measures division.	San Dieguito River WMA	FY16	Ongoing	T&SW with County of San Diego Ag. Weights, and Measures
CSD-19.8	Enhance school and recreation-based education and outreach.	Develop curriculum and establish distribution in public schools. Includes education on water conservation.	City-wide	FY15	Ongoing	T&SW; PUD with community-based organization
CSD-19.9	Develop education and outreach to reduce irrigation runoff.	Example approaches to reduce or eliminate irrigation runoff may include: education and outreach, prohibition, enhanced enforcement of existing prohibitions, and pilot projects such as the City of Del Mar's pilot door hanger project.	City-wide	Prior to FY16	Ongoing	T&SW with PUD
CSD-19.10	Develop regional training for water-using mobile businesses.	Consider development of supplemental standards for mobile businesses including: covered trash enclosures, careful review of washing areas (grading, drainage, landscaping, sanitary sewer system connectivity), and appropriate signage (either through zoning for retrofits or "best fix" approaches, or through BMP Design Manual standards). Businesses may include carpet cleaners, tile installers, plumbers, etc.	City-wide	FY16	Ongoing	T&SW

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CSD-19.11	Enhance education and outreach based on results of effectiveness survey and changing regulatory requirements.	Use effectiveness surveys to enhance existing education and outreach programs while proactively keeping up with and incorporating changing regulatory requirements.	City-wide	FY16	Ongoing	T&SW
CSD-19.12	Continue to promote and encourage implementation of Integrated Pest Management (IPM) for residents and businesses.	The City will continue to provide education on IPM techniques during presentations and on the City's Think Blue website.	City-wide	Prior to FY16	Ongoing	T&SW
Enforcement Response Plan						
CSD-20	Continue to implement escalating enforcement responses to compel compliance with statutes, ordinances, permits, contracts, orders, and other requirements for IDDE, development planning, construction management, and existing development in the Storm Water Code Enforcement Unit's Standard Operating Procedures (SOPs) - Enforcement Response Plan.	Refer to JRMP Appendix XIII.	City-wide	Prior to FY16	Ongoing	T&SW with PUD, other City enforcement compliance programs
CSD-20.1	Increase enforcement of irrigation runoff.	Increased enforcement policies against irrigation runoff will be established in tandem with the education and outreach programs on how these actions lead to pollutant loading. By shifting to property-based inspections irrigation runoff can be handled as enforceable violations once the public is well-informed.	City-wide	FY16	Ongoing	T&SW
CSD-20.2	Increase enforcement of water-using mobile businesses.	In addition to education, pollution associated with mobile business sources can be handled through policy, code development, inspections of business practices, and enforcement.	City-wide	FY16	Ongoing	T&SW
CSD-21	Increase enforcement of all minimum BMPs for existing residential, commercial, and industrial development.	Increased enforcement of existing development minimum BMPs.	City-wide	FY16	As needed	T&SW
CSD-22	Increase enforcement associated with property-based inspections.	Shifting inspections from businesses-specific to property-based will increase effectiveness and sense of responsibility and ownership. Education and outreach must be followed up with inspection and enforcement of regulations to encourage proper landscape and water conservation strategies.	City-wide	FY16	Ongoing	T&SW
CSD-23	Increase enforcement of sweeping and maintenance of private roads and parking lots in targeted areas.	Refer to Minimum BMPs in JRMP (Appendix IX).	City-wide	FY16	Ongoing	T&SW
CSD-24	Increase identification and enforcement of actionable erosion and slope stabilization issues on private property and require stabilization and repair.	Eroding and unstable slope areas on private property (excluding construction sites) will be identified as potential sediment loading sources and subject to enforcement. In the short term, this will target enhanced inspection and enforcement programs to ensure inspectors address erosion and slope instability for the purpose of education.	City-wide	FY16	Ongoing	T&SW

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Additional Nonstructural Strategies						
CSD-25	Conduct a Comprehensive Benefits Analysis to identify benefits other than water quality that are applicable to each of the specific WQIP strategies.	The analysis identifies which other benefits apply to each strategy, and documents the assumptions making those linkages. The delineation of other benefits to strategies includes a general description of each benefit, and a listing of the assumptions that were made to link those benefits to strategies. In addition, the other benefits are characterized with respect to who is directly affected: the city, local residents, local businesses, or visitors. This analysis may be used as part of the adaptive management process to modify future strategies.	City-wide	FY15	One time	T&SW
CSD-26	Address and clean up trash from transient encampments with collaboration from the Homeless Outreach Team.	Coordinate with the Homeless Outreach Team to respond to transient encampment trash complaints.	City-wide	FY16	Ongoing	T&SW with Police, ESD, Urban Corps, Alpha Project
CSD-27	Continue participating in source reduction initiatives.	Source reduction initiatives are ultimately the most effective measure to remove pollutants from surface waters, where feasible. Bans or progressive phase-outs that may be considered include: leaf blowers, plastic bags, architectural copper (generally a legacy issue), as well as prohibiting or more aggressively regulating vehicle washing. Additional source reduction initiatives to consider include pesticide sales at hardware stores and irrigation supply stores.	City-wide	Prior to FY16	Ongoing	T&SW
CSD-27.1	Coordinate with Fleet Services to replace City-owned vehicle brake pads with copper-free brake pads as they become commercially available.	Consider legislative mandate and cooperative implementation of copper-free brake pads on city-owned vehicle to reduce pollutant deposition.	City-wide	FY18	Ongoing	T&SW, ESD with PWD (Fleet Services)
CSD-28	Proactively monitor for erosion, and complete minor repair and slope stabilization on municipal property.	Actively identify and repair eroding slopes that may be contributing to sediment loading. Prepare an inventory and assessment of eroding areas and their risk to surface waters. Follow assessment with a schedule for ongoing inspection and stabilization (potentially based on a number or percentage of sites annually). Consider Caltrans program as a template.	City-wide	FY16	Ongoing	T&SW
CSD-29	Conduct special studies.	Special studies will be conducted to gather data to identify pollutant sources, appropriate targets, or other information. Includes collaboration with universities.	City-wide	FY16	Ongoing	T&SW
CSD-29.1	Participate in Reference Watershed Study.	The San Diego Regional Reference Stream Study (currently being conducted by the Southern California Coastal Water Research Project). The study will develop numeric targets that account for "natural sources" to establish the concentrations or loads from streams in a minimally disturbed or "reference" condition. Refer to Section 5.1 for further details.	Region-wide	Prior to FY16	One time	T&SW, SCCWRP, Regional copermitees
CSD-29.2	Participate in Reference Beach Study.	The San Diego Regional Reference Beach Study will develop numeric targets that account for "natural sources" to establish the concentrations or loads from the beach in a minimally disturbed or "reference" condition. The purpose of this monitoring program is to advise the public of potential health risks that could occur with water contact recreation at local beaches. DEH will post a health advisory notice or close a beach when FIB results are above REC-1 water quality standards.	Region-wide (San Dieguito River WMA)	Prior to FY16	One time	T&SW, SCCWRP, Regional copermitees

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CSD-29.3	San Diego Source Identification and Prioritization Process	Assess sources of bacteria in the watersheds using the San Diego Bacteria Source Identification and Prioritization Process developed in 2012 as part of the MS4 Permit Report of Waste Discharge process. Focus is on the beach/lagoon area of the San Diego River WMA, with inputs from the upper watershed also considered where relevant and necessary to identify sources of bacteria to the beach/lagoon. Refer to Section 5.1 for further details.	San Diego River WMA	FY16	One time	T&SW
CSD-29.4	Collaborate with City of San Diego PUD and other watershed stakeholders in the Lake Hodges Water Quality Concentration Study. Study will characterize conditions and identify sources.	The City of San Diego's Public Utilities Department will conduct studies that can characterize the nutrient budget or "loading rate" for Lake Hodges. The proper characterization of nutrient loads to Lake Hodges include two components: (1) Uninterrupted sampling during storm events or high water flow to Lake Hodges; and (2) Independent characterizations of nitrogen and phosphorus loads to the reservoir. This strategy will include collaboration with other watershed stakeholders.	San Diego River WMA	FY17	2 yrs.	T&SW with PUD; Funding from Prop 50, Prop 80, etc. Other San Diego River WMA Responsible Agencies
CSD-29.5	Using adaptive management, delist the beach segment from the TMDL and Attachment E of the MS4 Permit.	Using the adaptive management process outlined in Section 6, remove 303(d) delisted beach segments from the Bacteria TMDL and Attachment E of the MS4 Permit.	San Diego River WMA	FY16	Ongoing	T&SW, Potential Stakeholders, Coastkeeper
CSD-29.6	Conduct a Cost of Service Study.	Conduct a Cost of Service Study that will examine the full cost of flood control and storm water strategies needed to comply with storm water regulations for the City of San Diego. The City of San Diego's Watershed Asset Management Plan will be used as the basis for the study.	City-wide	FY16	One time	TBD
CSD-30	Conduct Sustainable Return on Investment (SROI) analysis to estimate strategies' co-benefits and impacts to the public and the private sector on a common scale.	SROI is an economics-based framework for evaluating quantitative and qualitative performance metrics and monetizing them, if possible, along a triple bottom line (i.e. financial, societal, and environmental). This strategy may be triggered as 1) interim goals are not met, 2) funding to address MS4 discharges is identified and secured, 3) staff resources are identified and secured, 4) partners have been identified and formal MOUs have been developed, and 5) consensus and community support has been achieved.	City-wide	Optional	TBD	T&SW and public participation
CSD-31	Collaborate with the County, if a County-led regional social services effort is established, to provide sanitation and trash management for individuals experiencing homelessness and determine if the program is suitable and appropriate for jurisdictional needs to meet goals.	Support a non-profit or consortium to provide sanitation services associated with hygiene as well as trash management for persons experiencing homelessness. Rented or purchased shower/sanitary trailers providing mobile showers may be organized at specifically scheduled locations and times. This provision has been proposed as a method for preventing surface water usage for sanitation and bathing, as well as opportunity for outreach and referral by social service agencies. The trash management services will include providing trash bags, trash collection areas, and shower/sanitary facilities at centers which provide daytime shelter to their clients, or on a mobile basis for known transit camps. This strategy may be triggered as 1) interim goals are not met, 2) funding to address MS4 discharges is identified and secured, 3) staff resources are identified and secured, 4) partners have been identified and formal MOUs have been developed, and 5) consensus and community support has been achieved.	City-wide	Optional	TBD	T&SW

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CSD-32	Identify strategy, resources, and funding to support mapping and assessment of agricultural operations.	Prepare and maintain an inventory of the locations of agricultural operations. Identify agricultural land close to receiving waters and/or MS4 system and conducting a site reconnaissance to assess if discharges are likely to occur and develop a series of follow-up actions specific to those risks. Coordinate with other City of San Diego departments that own and lease land for agricultural uses. This strategy may be triggered as 1) interim goals are not met, 2) funding to address MS4 discharges is identified and secured, and 3) staff resources are identified and secured.	San Diego River WMA above Lake Hodges	Optional	TBD	PUD with T&SW
CSD-33	Coordinate with County of San Diego and identify resources and funding to implement a program to target on-site wastewater treatment (septic) systems. May include mapping and risk assessment, inspection, or maintenance practices.	Coordinate with County of San Diego program. The extent, age, and location of on-site systems are generally not well documented. Recommended first step is to inventory and map all of the on-site systems. Techniques involve cross-referencing addresses for customers of central sewer provides with addresses of properties on the associated tax assessor's list, and identifying those addresses without a sewer account. Once on-site systems have been identified, the following parameters can be estimated or analyzed for risk assessment: location on the property, system age (from permit or property tax records), soil and slope conditions, development densities, and proximity to surface and groundwater resources. This strategy may be triggered as 1) interim goals are not met, 2) funding to address MS4 discharges is identified and secured, and 3) staff resources are identified and secured.	San Diego River WMA	Optional	TBD	T&SW with County of San Diego
CSD-34	Participate in an assessment to determine if implementation of an urban tree canopy (UTC) program would benefit water quality and other City goals, where feasible.	Perform a feasibility study to determine if implementing an UTC program would be beneficial to the City's goals. UTC intercepts rainfall through increased coverage of leaves, branches, and stems and reduces runoff from the storm drainage system. Benefits associated with enhancing an UTC include reducing heat island effects and air pollution in addition to aesthetics and community benefits. Where feasible, native trees will be utilized to prevent invasive trees from migrating to open spaces and to conserve water. This strategy may be triggered as 1) interim goals are not met, 2) funding to address MS4 discharges is identified and secured, and 3) staff resources are identified and secured.	City-wide	Optional	TBD	Planning Dept. with T&SW, SANDAG, and Nature Conservancy
CSD-35	Conduct a feasibility study to test Permeable Friction Course (PFC), a porous asphalt that overlays impermeable asphalt.	Perform an assessment to determine the feasibility of implementing PFC on City streets. PFC, an overlay of porous asphalt, is an innovative roadway material that improves driving conditions in wet weather and water quality. Placed in a layer 25-50mm thick on top of regular impermeable pavement, PFC allows rainfall to drain within the porous layer rather than on top of the pavement. PFC has also been shown to reduce concentrations of pollutants commonly observed in highway runoff. PFC incorporates stormwater treatment into the roadway surface and does not require additional right-of-way. This strategy may be triggered as 1) interim goals are not met, 2) funding to address MS4 discharges is identified and secured, and 3) staff resources are identified and secured.	City-wide	Optional	One time	T&SW with DSD, PWD, BIA, NGOs, Copeemitees, and Engineering Community

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CSD-36	As opportunities arise and funding sources are identified, protect areas that are functioning naturally by avoiding impervious development and degradation on unpaved open space areas, creating permanent open space protections on undeveloped city-owned land, and accepting privately-owned undeveloped open areas.	This strategy may be implemented if there is interest in participation by the public or private entity with current control of the land. Conditions to be met also include 1) identification of partners, if needed (public, private, non-profit), 2) identification of costs and potential sources of funding, 3) final agreement by public or private entity with current control of the land, 4) final agreement by all other participating partners including acceptance by intended land- or asset-owning City department, and 5) funding in place.	City-wide	Optional	TBD	TBD
CSD-37	Lake Hodges Natural Treatment System Project	Coordinate with watershed stakeholders on Integrated Regional Water Management (IRWM) Proposition 84 funding grant project to model the Lake Hodges watershed (hydrology and water quality loading) to assist in siting locations for nutrient reducing BMPs. Recommendations include using the 85th percentile event for sizing multiuse treatment area BMPs, locating and defining baseflow within key reaches.	San Dieguito River WMA (Lake Hodges)	Optional	TBD	T&SW
CSD-38	Participate in a watershed council or group if one is established.	This strategy may be triggered as 1) partners have been identified and formal MOUs have been developed and 2) consensus and community support has been achieved.	City-wide	Optional	TBD	TBD
CSD-39	Prohibit introduction of invasive plants in new development and redevelopment projects.	Coordinate with the City's Development Services Department to continue to prohibit introduction of invasive species such as Arundo donax and Cortaderia selloana for new development or redevelopment projects as specified in the City's municipal code for landscape.	City-wide	Prior to FY16	Ongoing	T&SW with DSD
CSD-40	Collaborate with stakeholders and water agencies in ongoing efforts to address water quality issues in the San Dieguito River WMA as they pertain to MS4 discharges.	Includes participation in Integrated Regional Water Management-led efforts such as coordination and review of grant proposals, research, analysis, studies, modeling.	San Dieguito River WMA	Prior to FY16	Ongoing	T&SW with DSD
Green Infrastructure						
CSD-41	Del Mar Heights Rd Median (Project ID 1018)	A grassed/vegetated swale or grassed/vegetated strip has been proposed for the Del Mar Heights Road median about 350 feet west of the Del Mar Heights and Carmel Valley Road intersection to treat a drainage area of 0.8 acre.	San Dieguito River WMA (Del Mar Heights Rd and Carmel Valley Rd)	Prior to FY16	Ongoing	T&SW with PWD

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CSD-42	If interim load reduction goals are not met and additional green infrastructure is required, additional publicly-owned parcels have been identified as potential opportunities for green infrastructure implementation.	Construction, operation, and maintenance of bioretention and permeable pavement. This strategy may be triggered as 1) interim goals are not met, 2) funding to address MS4 discharges is identified and secured, and 3) staff resources are identified and secured.	Prioritized public parcels in San Diego River WMA	Optional	TBD	T&SW with PWD; Potential to collaborate with transit agencies, public school districts, and state and federal agencies
Green Streets						
CSD-43	Callado Road	Construction, operation and maintenance of a green street project at Callado Road and Pastoral Street to treat a drainage area of 9.86 acres.	San Diego River WMA (Callado Rd and Pastoral St)	FY16	FY18	T&SW with PWD
CSD-44	If interim load reduction goals are not met and additional green infrastructure is required, the additional acreage of bioretention and permeable pavement may be implemented through green streets if potential opportunities for green infrastructure implementation on public parcels are not available.	This strategy may be triggered as 1) interim goals are not met, 2) funding to address MS4 discharges is identified and secured, and 3) staff resources are identified and secured.	San Diego River WMA	Optional	TBD	T&SW with PWD
Multiseuse Treatment Areas						
Infiltration and Detention Basins						
CSD-45	If interim load reduction goals are not met and additional multiseuse treatment areas are required, an infiltration basin may be implemented on open space across from San Pasqual Union Elementary School can be implemented upon detailed site assessment.	Construction, operation and maintenance of an infiltration basin that would treat a total drainage area of 5.818 acres on 19 acres of available space (APN 241.0601.100). This strategy may be triggered as 1) interim goals are not met, 2) funding to address MS4 discharges is identified and secured, and 3) staff resources are identified and secured.	San Diego River WMA (Rockwood Rd and Public Rd)	Optional	TBD	T&SW with PWD
CSD-46	If interim load reduction goals are not met and additional multiseuse treatment areas are required, an infiltration basin may be implemented on open space between I-15 and West Bernardo Drive.	Construction, operation and maintenance of an infiltration basin that would treat a total drainage area of 146 acres on 6.0 acres of available space. The site is centrally located in the San Diego River WMA, between I-15 and West Bernardo Drive (south of the Ed Brown Center). This strategy may be triggered as 1) interim goals are not met, 2) funding to address MS4 discharges is identified and secured, and 3) staff resources are identified and secured.	San Diego River WMA (Between I15 and West Bernardo Dr., south of Ed Brown Center)	Optional	TBD	T&SW with PWD
CSD-47	If interim load reduction goals are not met and additional multiseuse treatment areas are required, an infiltration basin(s) may be considered on publicly owned open spaces in canyon areas on a case-by-case basis when no other opportunities for load reductions exist.	Construction, operation, and maintenance of infiltration basin(s) in canyon areas. 9 potential canyon sites, owned by the City of San Diego or CSD Open Space Parks, have been identified in San Diego River WMA that provide up to 1,406 acres of available space (1,885 total parcel acreage). This strategy may be triggered as 1) interim goals are not met, 2) funding to address MS4 discharges is identified and secured, and 3) staff resources are identified and secured.	San Diego River WMA	Optional	TBD	T&SW with PWD

ID	Strategy	Implementation Approach	Location	Implementation or Construction Year Start	Frequency of Implementation	Responsible City Department and Other Collaborating Departments or Agencies
Stream, Channel and Habitat Rehabilitation Projects						
CSD-48	If interim load reduction goals are not met and additional stream, channel, and habitat rehabilitation projects are required, implement as needed.	This strategy may be triggered as 1) funding to address MS4 discharges is identified and secured, 2) staff resources are identified and secured, 3) partners have been identified and formal MOUs have been developed, 4) permits required by regulatory agencies are secured, and 5) recommendations from the community are identified and consensus and community support has been achieved.	Areas identified during feasibility studies	Optional	TBD	T&SW
Water Quality Improvement BMPs						
Proprietary BMPs						
CSD-49	Black Mountain Ranch - Northern Areas, Project ID 1386	Existing project - constructed BMPs include 4 drainage inserts, 2 filtration systems and 10 hydrodynamic separation systems.	San Dieguito River WMA (Black Mountain Ranch)	Prior to FY16	Ongoing	T&SW with PWD
CSD-50	Black Mtn. Ranch Community Park (discretionary) - Project ID 1006	A hydrodynamic separation system and 3 drainage inserts were installed at Black Mountain Ranch Community Park under the west corner of the property, behind the baseball fields and near an existing concrete swale.	San Dieguito River WMA (Black Mountain Ranch Community Park)	Prior to FY16	Ongoing	T&SW with PWD
CSD-51	Camino Del Sur and Maranatha Dr. - Project ID 139	A hydrodynamic separation system was installed along the north side of Camino Del Sur, just west of Maranatha Drive.	San Dieguito River WMA (North side of Camino Del Sur, west of Maranatha Dr.)	Prior to FY16	Ongoing	T&SW with PWD
CSD-52	Fire Station #46 Santaluz - Project ID 991	Installed 4 drainage inserts at Fire Station #46 near the entrance of parking lot off of Lazanja Drive.	San Dieguito River WMA (Fire Station #46)	Prior to FY16	Ongoing	T&SW with PWD
CSD-53	Rancho Bernardo Community Park Dog Off-Leash Area - Project ID 865	A drainage insert was installed at Rancho Bernardo Community Park near the Dog Off-Leash Area.	San Dieguito River WMA (Rancho Bernardo Community Park)	Prior to FY16	Ongoing	T&SW with PWD

ID	Strategy	Implementation Approach	Location	Implementation or Construction Year Start	Frequency of Implementation	Responsible City Department and Other Collaborating Departments or Agencies
Dry Weather Flow Separation and Treatment Projects						
CSD-54	If interim load reduction goals are not met and additional dry weather flow separation and treatment projects are required, implement as needed.	Construction of dry weather flow separation and treatment projects, where identified. This strategy may be triggered as 1) interim goals are not met, 2) funding to address MS4 discharges is identified and secured, 3) staff resources are identified and secured, and 4) permits required by regulatory agencies are secured.	Downstream reaches where persistent dry weather flows have been observed	Optional	TBD	T&SW with PWD
Trash Segregation						
CSD-55	If interim load reduction goals are not met and additional trash segregation projects are required, implement as needed.	Construction of trash segregation (Trash Guards, etc.) projects, where identified. This strategy may be triggered as 1) interim goals are not met, 2) funding to address MS4 discharges is identified and secured, 3) staff resources are identified and secured, and 4) permits required by regulatory agencies are secured.	High-loading areas city-wide	Optional	TBD	T&SW with PWD

Notes: DSD= Development Services Department; PUD = Public Utilities Department; PWD = Public Works Department; T&SW = Transportation and Storm Water Division; WAMP = Watershed Asset Management Plan; TBD = will be determined during the next fiscal year.

Table I-6
City of San Diego Annual Schedule

Construction																				
Ongoing Implementation/ O&M																				
As needed/Design																				
ID	Strategy	Location	Implementation or Construction Year Start	FY 15 and Earlier	FY 16	FY 17	FY 18	FY 19	FY 20	FY 21	FY 22	FY 23	FY 24	FY 25	FY 26	FY 27	FY 28	FY 29	FY 30	FY 31
Jurisdictional Strategies																				
Development Planning																				
All Development Projects																				
CSD-1	Establish guidelines and standards for all development projects; provide technical support related to implementation of source control BMPs to minimize pollutant generation at each project and implement LID BMPs to maintain or restore hydrology of the area or implement easements to protect water quality, where applicable and feasible. Includes internal coordination and collaboration between City departments (DSD, PWD, and Engineering) to improve success and long-term benefits of BMPs.	City-wide	Prior to FY16	Ongoing																
CSD-1.1	Investigation and research of emerging technology.	City-wide	Prior to FY16	As Needed																
CSD-1.2	Approve and implement a green infrastructure policy.	City-wide	FY16 (Begin)	As Needed																
CSD-1.3	Develop Design Standards for Public LID BMPs.	City-wide	FY14-FY15	As Needed																
CSD-1.4	Outreach to impacted industry regarding minimum BMP requirement updates.	City-wide	FY15	As Needed																
CSD-2	Train staff on LID regulatory changes and LID practices.	City-wide	FY16	As Needed																
CSD-3	Amend municipal code and ordinances, including zoning ordinances, to facilitate and encourage LID opportunities to support compliance with the MS4 Permit and TMDLs in a reasonable manner. Ensure consistency with the City of San Diego's BMP Design Manual. Update the Storm Water Standards Manual accordingly.	City-wide	FY15	As Needed																
CSD-4	Create a manual that outlines right-of-way design standards.	City-wide	FY15	One time																
CSD-5	Provide technical education and outreach to the development community on the design and implementation requirements of the MS4 Permit and Water Quality Improvement Plan requirements.	City-wide	Prior to FY16	Ongoing																
Priority Development Projects (PDPs)																				
CSD-6	For PDPs, provide technical support to other City departments to ensure implementation of on-site structural BMPs to control pollutants and manage hydromodification by developing City wide storm water development standards and design guidelines.	City-wide	FY16	Ongoing																
CSD-6.1	Institute a program to verify and enforce maintenance and performance of treatment control BMPs.	City-wide	FY16	Ongoing																
CSD-7	Update BMP Design Manual procedures to determine nature and extent of storm water requirements applicable to development projects and to identify conditions of concern for selecting, designing, and maintaining appropriate structural BMPs.	City-wide	FY15	Cycle																

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CSD-7.1	Amend BMP Design Manual for trash areas. Require full four-sided enclosure, siting away from storm drains and cover. Consider the retrofit requirement.	City-wide	FY15	One time																
CSD-7.2	Amend BMP Design Manual for animal-related facilities, such as such as animal shelters, "doggie day care" facilities, veterinary clinics, breeding, boarding and training facilities, groomers, and pet care stores.	City-wide	FY15	One time																
CSD-7.3	Amend BMP Design Manual for nurseries and garden centers.	City-wide	FY15	One time																
CSD-7.4	Amend BMP Design Manual for auto-related uses.	City-wide	FY15	One time																
CSD-8	Develop and administer an alternative compliance program for on-site structural BMP implementation (includes identifying Watershed Management Area Analysis [WMAA] candidate projects). Refer to Section 4.2.5.	City-wide	FY15	Ongoing																
CSD-8.1	Create a fund that allows habitat acquisition, protection enhancement, and restoration in conjunction with other cooperating entities including community groups, academic institutions, state county, and federal agencies, etc.	City-wide	Optional																	
Construction Management																				
CSD-9	Coordinate with other City departments to promote and confirm a thorough understanding of requirements for implementing temporary BMPs that control sediment and other pollutants during the construction phase of projects. Included in that understanding are requirements to inspect at appropriate frequencies and effectively enforce requirements through process controlled by other City departments.	City-wide	FY16		Ongoing															
Existing Development																				
Commercial, Industrial, Municipal, and Residential Facilities and Areas																				
CSD-10	Administer a program to require implementation of minimum BMPs for existing development (commercial, industrial, municipal, and residential) that are specific to the facility, area types, and PGAs, as appropriate. Includes inspection of existing development at appropriate frequencies and using appropriate methods.	City-wide	FY16		Ongoing															
CSD-10.1	Update minimum BMPs for existing residential, commercial, and industrial development. Specific updates to BMPs include required street sweeping, catch basin cleaning, and maintenance of private roads and parking lots in targeted areas.	City-wide	FY15	Cycle																
CSD-10.2	Outreach to property managers and trash haulers to elevate the emphasis of power washing as a pollutant source.	City-wide Residential, commercial and industrial areas	FY15	Ongoing																
CSD-10.3	Implement property based inspections.	City-wide	Prior to FY16	Ongoing																
CSD-10.4	Review policies and procedures to ensure discharges from swimming pools meet permit requirements.	City-wide	FY15	As Needed																

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CSD-11	Promote and encourage implementation of designated BMPs for residential and non-residential areas.	City-wide Residential and Commercial Areas	Prior to FY16	Ongoing																
CSD-11.1	Residential and Commercial BMP: Rain Barrel	City-wide Residential Areas	Prior to FY16	Ongoing																
CSD-11.2	Residential and Commercial BMP: Grass Replacement	City-wide Residential and Commercial Areas	Prior to FY16	Ongoing																
CSD-11.3	Residential and Commercial BMP: Downspout Disconnect	City-wide Residential and Commercial Areas	FY16		Ongoing															
CSD-11.4	Residential and Commercial BMP: Microirrigation	City-wide Residential Areas	Prior to FY16	Ongoing																
CSD-11.5	Provide Onsite Water Conservation Surveys.	City-wide Residential and Commercial Areas	Prior to FY16	Ongoing																
MS4 Infrastructure																				
CSD-12	Implementation of operation and maintenance activities (inspection and cleaning) for MS4 and related structures (catch basins, storm drain inlets, channels as allowed by resource agencies, detention basins, pump stations, etc.) for water quality improvement and for flood control risk management.	City-wide	FY16		Ongoing															
CSD-12.1	Proactively repair and replace MS4 components to provide source control from MS4 infrastructure.	City-wide	FY16		Ongoing															
CSD-12.2	Replacement of hard assets including storm drains and structures.	City-wide	FY16		Ongoing															
CSD-13	Coordinate with other City departments (PUD) to implement controls to prevent infiltration of sewage into the MS4 from leaking sanitary sewers.	City-wide	FY16		Ongoing															
CSD-13.1	Identify sewer leaks and areas for sewer pipe replacement prioritization.	City-wide	FY16		As Needed															
Roads, Street, and Parking Lots																				
CSD-14	Implement operation and maintenance activities for public streets, unpaved roads, paved roads, and paved highways.	City-wide	FY16		Ongoing															
CSD-14.1	Initiate sweeping of medians on high-volume arterial roadways.	City-wide	FY17			Ongoing														
Pesticide, Herbicides, and Fertilizer BMP Program																				
CSD-15	Require implementation of BMPs to address application, storage, and disposal of pesticides, herbicides, and fertilizers on commercial, industrial, and municipal properties. Includes education, permits, and certifications.	City-wide	FY16		Ongoing															
Retrofit and Rehabilitation in Areas of Existing Development																				
CSD-16	Develop and implement a strategy to identify candidate areas of existing development appropriate for retrofitting projects and facilitate the implementation of such projects.	City-wide	TBD																	

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CSD-17	Develop and implement a strategy to identify candidate areas of existing development for stream, channel, or habitat rehabilitation projects and facilitate implementation of such projects.	City-wide	TBD																	
<i>Illicit Discharge, Detection, and Elimination (IDDE) Program</i>																				
CSD-18	Implement Illicit Discharge, Detection, and Elimination (IDDE) Program per the JRMF. Requirements include: maintaining an MS4 map, using municipal personnel and contractors to identify and report illicit discharges, maintaining a hotline for public reporting of illicit discharges, monitoring MS4 outfalls, and investigating and addressing any illicit discharges.	City-wide	Prior to FY16	Ongoing																
<i>Public Education and Participation</i>																				
CSD-19	Implement a public education and participation program to promote and encourage development of programs, management practices, and behaviors that reduce the discharge of pollutants in storm water prioritized by high-risk behaviors, pollutants of concern, and target audiences.	City-wide	Prior to FY16	Ongoing																
CSD-19.1	Continue implementation of a Pet Waste Program.	City-wide	Prior to FY16	Ongoing																
CSD-19.2	Promote and encourage implementation of designated BMPs in commercial and industrial areas.	City-wide Non-residential Areas	Prior to FY16	Ongoing																
CSD-19.3	Expand outreach to homeowners' association (HOA) common lands and HOA incentives.	City-wide	FY16		Ongoing															
CSD-19.4	Develop an outreach and training program for property managers responsible for HOAs and maintenance districts.	City-wide	FY16		Ongoing															
CSD-19.5	Enhance and expand trash cleanups through community-based organizations involving target audiences.	City-wide	FY16		Ongoing															
CSD-19.6	Improve consistency and content of websites to highlight enforceable conditions and reporting methods.	City-wide	Prior to FY16	Ongoing																
CSD-19.7	Develop a targeted education and outreach program for homeowners with orchards or other agricultural land uses on their property.	San Dieguito River WMA	FY16		Ongoing															
CSD-19.8	Enhance school and recreation-based education and outreach.	City-wide	FY15	Ongoing																
CSD-19.9	Develop education and outreach to reduce irrigation runoff.	City-wide	Prior to FY16	Ongoing																
CSD-19.10	Develop regional training for water-using mobile businesses.	City-wide	FY16		Ongoing															
CSD-19.11	Enhance education and outreach based on results of effectiveness survey and changing regulatory requirements.	City-wide	FY16		Ongoing															
CSD-19.12	Continue to promote and encourage implementation of Integrated Pest Management (IPM) for residents and businesses.	City-wide	Prior to FY16	Ongoing																

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Enforcement Response Plan																				
CSD-20	Continue to implement escalating enforcement responses to compel compliance with statutes, ordinances, permits, contracts, orders, and other requirements for IDDE, development planning, construction management, and existing development in the Storm Water Code Enforcement Unit's Standard Operating Procedures (SOPs) - Enforcement Response Plan.	City-wide	Prior to FY16	Ongoing																
CSD-20.1	Increase enforcement of irrigation runoff.	City-wide	FY16		Ongoing															
CSD-20.2	Increase enforcement of water-using mobile businesses.	City-wide	FY16		Ongoing															
CSD-21	Increase enforcement of all minimum BMPs for existing residential, commercial, and industrial development.	City-wide	FY16		As needed															
CSD-22	Increase enforcement associated with property-based inspections.	City-wide	FY16		Ongoing															
CSD-23	Increase enforcement of sweeping and maintenance of private roads and parking lots in targeted areas.	City-wide	FY16		Ongoing															
CSD-24	Increase identification and enforcement of actionable erosion and slope stabilization issues on private property and require stabilization and repair.	City-wide	FY16		Ongoing															
Additional Nonstructural Strategies																				
CSD-25	Conduct a Comprehensive Benefits Analysis to identify benefits other than water quality that are applicable to each of the specific WQIP strategies.	City-wide	FY15	One time																
CSD-26	Address and clean up trash from transient encampments with collaboration from the Homeless Outreach Team.	City-wide	FY16		Ongoing															
CSD-27	Continue participating in source reduction initiatives.	City-wide	Prior to FY16	Ongoing																
CSD-27.1	Coordinate with Fleet Services to replace City-owned vehicle brake pads with copper-free brake pads as they become commercially available.	City-wide	FY18				Ongoing													
CSD-28	Proactively monitor for erosion, and complete minor repair and slope stabilization on municipal property.	City-wide	FY16		Ongoing															
CSD-29	Conduct special studies.	City-wide	FY16		Ongoing															
CSD-29.1	Participate in Reference Watershed Study.	Region-wide	Prior to FY16	One time																
CSD-29.2	Participate in Reference Beach Study.	Region-wide (San Dieguito River WMA)	Prior to FY16	One time																
CSD-29.3	San Dieguito Source Identification and Prioritization Process	San Dieguito River WMA	FY16		One time															
CSD-29.4	Collaborate with City of San Diego PUD and other watershed stakeholders in the Lake Hodges Water Quality Concentration Study. Study will characterize conditions and identify sources.	San Dieguito River WMA	FY17			Ongoing														
CSD-29.5	Using adaptive management, delist the beach segment from the TMDL and Attachment E of the MS4 Permit.	San Dieguito River WMA	FY16		Ongoing															
CSD-29.6	Conduct a Cost of Service Study.	City-wide	FY16		One time															

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CSD-30	Conduct Sustainable Return on Investment (SROI) analysis to estimate strategies' co-benefits and impacts to the public and the private sector on a common scale.	City-wide	Optional																	
CSD-31	Collaborate with the County, if a County-led regional social services effort is established, to provide sanitation and trash management for individuals experiencing homelessness and determine if the program is suitable and appropriate for jurisdictional needs to meet goals.	City-wide	Optional																	
CSD-32	Identify strategy, resources, and funding to support mapping and assessment of agricultural operations.	San Dieguito River WMA above Lake Hodges	Optional																	
CSD-33	Coordinate with County of San Diego and identify resources and funding to implement a program to target on-site wastewater treatment (septic) systems. May include mapping and risk assessment, inspection, or maintenance practices.	San Dieguito River WMA	Optional																	
CSD-34	Participate in an assessment to determine if implementation of an urban tree canopy (UTC) program would benefit water quality and other City goals, where feasible.	City-wide	Optional																	
CSD-35	Conduct a feasibility study to test Permeable Friction Course (PFC), a porous asphalt that overlays impermeable asphalt.	City-wide	Optional																	
CSD-36	As opportunities arise and funding sources are identified, protect areas that are functioning naturally by avoiding impervious development and degradation on unpaved open space areas, creating permanent open space protections on undeveloped city-owned land, and accepting privately-owned undeveloped open areas.	City-wide	Optional																	
CSD-37	Lake Hodges Natural Treatment System Project	San Dieguito River WMA (Lake Hodges)	Optional																	
CSD-38	Participate in a watershed council or group if one is established.	City-wide	Optional																	
CSD-39	Prohibit introduction of invasive plants in new development and redevelopment projects.	City-wide	Prior to FY16	Ongoing																
CSD-40	Collaborate with stakeholders and water agencies in ongoing efforts to address water quality issues in the San Dieguito River WMA as they pertain to MSA discharges.	San Dieguito River WMA	Prior to FY16	Ongoing																
Green Infrastructure																				
CSD-41	Del Mar Heights Rd Median (Project ID 1018)	San Dieguito River WMA (Del Mar Heights Rd and Carmel Valley Rd)	Prior to FY16																	

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CSD-42	If interim load reduction goals are not met and additional green infrastructure is required, additional publicly-owned parcels have been identified as potential opportunities for green infrastructure implementation.	Prioritized public parcels in San Dieguito River WMA	Optional																	
Green Streets																				
CSD-43	Callado Road	San Dieguito River WMA (Callado Rd and Pastoral St)	FY16																	
CSD-44	If interim load reduction goals are not met and additional green infrastructure is required, the additional acreage of bioretention and permeable pavement may be implemented through green streets if potential opportunities for green infrastructure implementation on public parcels are not available.	San Dieguito River WMA	Optional																	
Multituse Treatment Areas																				
Infiltration and Detention Basins																				
CSD-45	If interim load reduction goals are not met and additional multituse treatment areas are required, an infiltration basin may be implemented on open space across from San Pasqual Union Elementary School can be implemented upon detailed site assessment.	San Dieguito River WMA (Rockwood Rd and Public Rd)	Optional																	
CSD-46	If interim load reduction goals are not met and additional multituse treatment areas are required, an infiltration basin may be implemented on open space between I-15 and West Bernardo Drive.	San Dieguito River WMA (Between I15 and West Bernardo Dr., south of Ed Brown Center)	Optional																	
CSD-47	If interim load reduction goals are not met and additional multituse treatment areas are required, an infiltration basin(s) may be considered on publicly owned open spaces in canyon areas on a case-by-case basis when no other opportunities for load reductions exist.	San Dieguito River WMA	Optional																	
Stream, Channel and Habitat Rehabilitation Projects																				
CSD-48	If interim load reduction goals are not met and additional stream, channel, and habitat rehabilitation projects are required, implement as needed.	Areas identified during feasibility studies	Optional																	
Water Quality Improvement BMPs																				
Proprietary BMPs																				
CSD-49	Black Mountain Ranch - Northern Areas, Project ID 1386	San Dieguito River WMA (Black Mountain Ranch)	Prior to FY16																	
CSD-50	Black Mtn. Ranch Community Park (discretionary) - Project ID 1006	San Dieguito River WMA (Black Mountain Ranch Community Park)	Prior to FY16																	

ID	Strategy	Location	Implementation or Construction Year Start	FY 15 and Earlier	FY 16	FY 17	FY 18	FY 19	FY 20	FY 21	FY 22	FY 23	FY 24	FY 25	FY 26	FY 27	FY 28	FY 29	FY 30	FY 31
CSD-51	Camino Del Sur and Maranatha Dr. - Project ID 139	San Dieguito River WMA (North side of Camino Del Sur, west of Maranatha Dr.)	Prior to FY16																	
CSD-52	Fire Station #46 Santaluz - Project ID 991	San Dieguito River WMA (Fire Station #46)	Prior to FY16																	
CSD-53	Rancho Bernardo Community Park Dog Off-Leash Area - Project ID 865	San Dieguito River WMA (Rancho Bernardo Community Park)	Prior to FY16																	
Dry Weather Flow Separation and Treatment Projects																				
CSD-54	If interim load reduction goals are not met and additional dry weather flow separation and treatment projects are required, implement as needed.	Downstream reaches where persistent dry weather flows have been observed	Optional	If triggered, begin planning (acquire funding and resources, conduct site feasibility analysis and site selection) to implement dry weather flow separation projects.																
Trash Segregation																				
CSD-55	If interim load reduction goals are not met and additional trash segregation projects are required, implement as needed.	High-loading areas city-wide	Optional	If triggered, begin planning (acquire funding and resources, conduct site feasibility analysis and site selection) to implement trash segregation projects.																

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I.5 City of Solana Beach Strategies

The City of Solana Beach is a small coastal city with urban, dense development at the coastline and less dense residential lots and commercial centers to the east. Solana Beach, because of its small size, has inherent internal collaboration as staff implements multiple administrative programs, allowing oversight of planning, development, and enforcement on a holistic level. Similar to the other smaller jurisdictions, Solana Beach's jurisdictional strategies focus on implementing overarching programs, such as promoting BMPs in residential areas and collaborating with other departments and agencies to implement strategies. The City of Solana Beach has identified the jurisdictional strategies in Table I-7 to assist in meeting the Water Quality Improvement Plan goals. A compliance analysis using a watershed model was conducted to identify the strategies required to be implemented to meet interim and final goals. The adaptive management process provides the framework to evaluate progress toward meeting the goals and allows for modification of strategies. As strategies are modified, the compliance analysis will be updated as needed to provide assurance that numeric goals will be met.

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Table I-7
City of Solana Beach Jurisdictional Strategies

ID	Strategy	Implementation Approach	Location	Implementation or Construction Year	Frequency of Implementation	Responsible City Department and Other Collaborating Departments or Agencies
Jurisdictional Strategies						
Development Planning						
All Development Projects						
For all development projects, administer a program to ensure implementation of source control BMPs to minimize pollutant generation at each project and implement LID BMPs to maintain or restore hydrology of the area, where applicable and feasible.						
SB-1		Refer to JRMP.	City-wide	FY16	Ongoing	PWD/Engineering
SB-2	Municipal code and ordinances will be amended as necessary to encourage LID opportunities.	Refer to JRMP.	City-wide	FY16	Ongoing	PWD/Engineering
SB-3	Development Planning staff will review LID regulatory changes and ensure compliance with BMP Design Manual.	The City, due to its small size, has one staff member overseeing implementation of the development planning MS4 Permit requirements and ensures compliance with new requirements. At the initial plan review, a Stormwater Checklist is provided which lists the minimum standards required. One-on-one education is available at that time and throughout the development planning process.	City-wide	FY16	As needed or required by permit	PWD/Engineering
SB-4	Provide technical education and outreach to the development community on the design and implementation requirements of the MS4 Permit and WQIP requirements.		City-wide	FY16	Ongoing	PWD/Engineering
Priority Development Projects (PDPs)						
SB-5	For PDPs, administer a program requiring implementation of on-site structural BMPs to control pollutants and manage hydromodification. Includes confirmation of design, construction, and maintenance of PDP structural BMPs.	Refer to JRMP.	City-wide	FY16	Ongoing	PWD/Engineering
SB-6	Update BMP Design Manual procedures to determine nature and extent of storm water requirements applicable to development projects and to identify conditions of concern for selecting, designing, and maintaining appropriate structural BMPs.	Refer to JRMP. County BMP Design Manual will be used and adapted for the City.	City-wide	FY16	As needed or required by permit	PWD/Engineering
SB-7	Expanded requirement for on-site treatment if impervious area is planned to increase by more than 500 square feet, a detention basin is required.	With increased impervious area of greater than 500 sq. ft., the City requires a detention basin to treat stormwater runoff. An agreement to maintain the detention basin is also required. This encourages LID and the protection of open space.	City-wide	Prior to FY16	Ongoing	PWD/Engineering
SB-8	Institute a program to verify and enforce maintenance and performance of treatment control BMPs.	Refer to JRMP.	City-wide	FY16	Ongoing	PWD/Engineering
Construction Management						
SB-9	Administer a program to oversee implementation of BMPs during the construction phase of land development. Includes inspections at an appropriate frequency and enforcement of requirements.	Refer to JRMP. BMPs are inspected once a month and before known rain events. Inventory is updated weekly.	City-wide	FY16	Ongoing	PWD/Engineering
SB-10	Maintain and update a watershed-based inventory of all construction projects issued a local permit that allows ground disturbance or soil disturbing activities.	Create a watershed-based inventory to track all construction projects issued a permit that allow ground disturbance or soil disturbing activities. Track the frequency and results of inspections.	City-wide	FY16	Ongoing	PWD/Engineering

ID	Strategy	Implementation Approach	Location	Implementation or Construction Year	Frequency of Implementation	Responsible City Department and Other Collaborating Departments or Agencies
SB-11	Implement or require implementation of BMPs that are site specific, seasonally appropriate and construction phase appropriate. Includes inspections at an appropriate frequency and enforcement of requirements.	Ensure that erosion control plans and BMP plans are appropriately designed at the permit and plan review phase. Perform and document BMP inspections per the Permit.	City-wide	FY16	Ongoing	PWD/Engineering
Existing Development						
Commercial, Industrial, Municipal, and Residential Facilities and Areas						
SB-12	Administer a program to require implementation of minimum BMPs for existing development (commercial, industrial, municipal, and residential) that are specific to the facility, area types, and PGAs, as appropriate. Includes inspection of existing development at appropriate frequencies and using appropriate methods.	Refer to JRMP. All existing commercial and industrial facilities are inspected annually. All existing municipal facilities are inspected monthly.	City-wide	FY16	Ongoing	PWD/Engineering
SB-12.1	Inspection all commercial and industrial facilities annually.	All commercial and industrial facilities are inspected annually.	City-wide	FY16	Ongoing	PWD/Engineering
SB-12.2	Require minimum BMPs for mobile businesses.	Water-using mobile businesses require minimum BMPs including recovery and removal of waste water.	City-wide	FY16	Ongoing	PWD/Engineering
SB-12.3	Review policies and procedures to ensure discharges from swimming pools are meeting current permit requirements.		City-wide	FY16	Ongoing	PWD/Engineering
SB-13	Implement pet waste program. May include installation and maintenance of pet waste bag dispensers and trash bins, signage and education, physical removal of pet waste, and enforcement.	Implement education and prevention program. Pet waste bag dispensers and trash bins provided in public areas.	City-wide	Prior to FY16	Ongoing	PWD/Engineering
SB-14	Promote and encourage implementation of designated BMPs at residential areas.	Collaborate with Santa Fe Irrigation District (SFID) to promote runoff reduction products and services and provide education to residential customers. Includes residential landscape evaluations and links to MWD and SDCWA rebates and incentives including weather based irrigation controllers, rotating sprinkler nozzles, soil moisture sensor system, rain barrels, and turf removal.	City-wide	FY16	Ongoing	PWD/Engineering with SFID
SB-15	Promote and encourage implementation of designated BMPs in commercial areas.	Collaborate with SFID to promote MWD's SoCal WaterSmart rebates and products such as weather based irrigation controllers, rotating sprinkler nozzles, soil moisture sensor system, rain barrels, and turf removal to commercial facilities.	City-wide	FY16	Ongoing	PWD/Engineering with SFID
MS4 Infrastructure						
SB-16	Implementation of operation and maintenance activities (inspection and cleaning) for MS4 and related structures (catch basins, storm drain inlets, detention basins, etc.).	Refer to JRMP.	City-wide	FY16	Ongoing	PWD/Engineering
SB-16.1	Perform catch basin inspection and cleaning.	All catch basins inspected annually. Catch basins with excess trash and debris are cleaned annually.	City-wide	FY16	Ongoing	PWD/Engineering
SB-16.2	Inspect open-channels and repair scour ponds to reduce pollutant loads and invasive plants and animals as needed.	San Dieguito Creek channel is inspected annually. Maintenance is conducted as-needed.	City-wide	Prior to FY16	Ongoing	PWD/Engineering
SB-16.3	Repair and replace MS4 components to provide source control from MS4 infrastructure.		City-wide	Prior to FY16	Ongoing	PWD/Engineering

ID	Strategy	Implementation Approach	Location	Implementation or Construction Year	Frequency of Implementation	Responsible City Department and Other Collaborating Departments or Agencies
SB-17	Implement controls to prevent infiltration of sewage into the MS4 from leaking sanitary sewers and identify sewer leaks and areas for sewer pipe replacement.	The City will continue to implement an aggressive sewer infrastructure replacement program. The City CCTVs a quarter of the sewer infrastructure each year. The results lead to a prioritized list of sewer line replacement projects. The City invests approximately \$500,000 in sewer replacement projects per year.	City-wide	Prior to FY16	Ongoing	PWD/Engineering
Roads, Street, and Parking Lots						
SB-18	Implement operation and maintenance activities for public streets, unpaved roads, paved roads, and paved highways.	-	City-wide	FY16	Ongoing	PWD/Engineering
SB-18.1	Implement street sweeping on roads and in parking lots.	Refer to JRMP. High priority streets are swept twice per month. Medium priority streets, including all residential streets, are swept once per month. Low priority streets, including 12 parking lots, are cleaned once per month.	City-wide	FY16	Ongoing	PWD/Engineering
SB-18.2	Perform sweeping of medians on high-volume arterial roadways.	Refer to JRMP. Medians on Highway 101 and Lomas Santa Fe are swept once per month.	City-wide	FY16	Ongoing	PWD/Engineering
Pesticide, Herbicides, and Fertilizer BMP Program						
SB-19	Require implementation of BMPs to address application, storage, and disposal of pesticides, herbicides, and fertilizers on commercial, industrial, and municipal properties. Includes education, permits, and certifications.	City does not have authority over application of pesticides, but will implement BMPs. Industrial and commercial inspections cover requirement.	City-wide	FY16	Ongoing	PWD/Engineering
Retrofit and Rehabilitation in Areas of Existing Development						
SB-20	Develop and implement a strategy to identify candidate areas of existing development appropriate for retrofitting projects and facilitate the implementation of such projects.	Refer to JRMP.	City-wide	FY16	Ongoing	PWD/Engineering
SB-21	Develop and implement a strategy to identify candidate areas of existing development for stream, channel, or habitat rehabilitation projects and facilitate implementation of such projects.	Refer to JRMP.	City-wide	FY16	Ongoing	PWD/Engineering
Illicit Discharge, Detection, and Elimination (IDDE) Program						
SB-22	Implement Illicit Discharge, Detection, and Elimination (IDDE) Program per the JRMP. Requirements include: maintaining an MS4 map, using municipal personnel and contractors to identify and report illicit discharges, maintaining a hotline for public reporting of illicit discharges, monitoring MS4 outfalls, and investigating and addressing any illicit discharges.	Refer to JRMP.	City-wide	FY16	Ongoing	PWD/Engineering
Public Education and Participation						
SB-23	Implement a public education and participation program to promote and encourage development of programs, management practices, and behaviors that reduce the discharge of pollutants in storm water prioritized by high-risk behaviors, pollutants of concern, and target audiences.	Refer to JRMP.	City-wide	FY16	Ongoing	PWD/Engineering
SB-23.1	Expand outreach, training, and incentive programs to homeowners' associations (HOAs).	Refer to JRMP.	City-wide	FY16	Ongoing	PWD/Engineering
SB-23.2	Develop outreach and training program for property managers responsible for HOAs and Maintenance Districts.	Refer to JRMP.	City-wide	FY16	Ongoing	PWD/Engineering
SB-23.3	Conduct trash cleanups through community-based organizations involving target audiences.	In partnership with I Love a Clean San Diego, host a site in Solana Beach during two beach clean-ups per year.	City-wide	FY16	Ongoing	PWD/Engineering with I Love a Clean San Diego

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SB-23.4	Target school-based education and outreach.	Collaborate with Solana Center to present relevant watershed and storm water pollution prevention information to school groups once a year.	City-wide	FY16	Ongoing	PWD/Engineering with Solana Center
SB-23.5	Develop education and outreach to reduce over-irrigation.	Work with SFID to educate residents about reducing over irrigation. Municipal code will be modified to address over irrigation issues.	City-wide	FY16	Ongoing	PWD/Engineering with SFID
SB-23.6	Continue to support the Clean and Green Committee; a committee of local residents and business owners working to preserve Solana Beach's environment.	Encourage public participation by supporting the Clean and Green Committee. The Clean and Green Committee addresses issues pertaining to water quality, air quality, and climate change. The City Council has also formed a Council Ad-Hoc subcommittee on Environmental Sustainability to work closely with the Clean and Green committee and provide direction to City staff on sustainability programs.	City-wide	FY16	Ongoing	PWD/Engineering
SB-23.7	Collaborate with regional education and outreach efforts.	Participate in Regional Think Blue campaign and collaborate with other regional efforts to provide consistent message or efficiency in training for targeted audiences.	City-wide	FY16	Ongoing	PWD/Engineering with regional education and outreach campaigns
Enforcement Response Plan						
SB-24	Implement escalating enforcement responses to compel compliance with statutes, ordinances, permits, contracts, orders, and other requirements for IDDE, development planning, construction management, and existing development in the Enforcement Response Plan.	Refer to JRMP.	City-wide	FY16	Ongoing	PWD/Engineering
SB-24.1	Increase enforcement of over-irrigation. Enforcement of power-washing included here.	Refer to JRMP.	City-wide	FY16	Ongoing	PWD/Engineering with SFID
Additional Nonstructural Strategies						
SB-25	Continue to apply NPDES pollution management fee to residential and commercial waste and recycling to secure funding for implementation of water quality related programs.	To ensure continued implementation of water quality improvement efforts, the City has secured funding through a NPDES pollution management fee.	City-wide	FY16	Ongoing	PWD/Engineering
SB-26	Continue participating in source reduction initiatives.	The City was the first to ban non-reusable plastic bags within the region in 2012.	City-wide	Prior to FY16	Ongoing	PWD/Engineering
SB-27	Develop a program to address and capture trash and debris.	Continue to maintain catch basin inserts to collect trash and prevent from flowing into the MS4 and subsequently the receiving water. Two catch basin inserts are installed within the jurisdiction in the San Diego River WMA.	City-wide	FY16	Ongoing	PWD
SB-28	Conduct special studies.	San Diego Regional Reference Stream Study (currently being conducted by the Southern California Coastal Water Research Project). The study will develop numeric targets that account for "natural sources" to establish the concentrations or loads from streams in a minimally disturbed or "reference" condition. Refer to Section 5.1 for further details.	City-wide	TBD	TBD	TBD

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SB-28.1	Reference watershed study.	Assess sources of bacteria in the watersheds using the San Diego Bacteria Source Identification and Prioritization Process developed in 2012 as part of the MS4 Permit Report of Waste Discharge process. Focus is on the beach/lagoon area of the San Dieguito River WMA, with inputs from the upper watershed also considered where relevant and necessary to identify sources of bacteria to the beach/lagoon. Refer to Section 5.1 for further details.	City-wide	FY16	TBD	PWD with regional committees
SB-29	If projects are unable to meet structural BMP design standards or hydromodification management criteria, administer an alternative compliance program for on-site structural BMP implementation (includes identifying Watershed Management Area Analysis (WMAA) candidate projects). Refer to Section 4.2.5 and Appendix M for further details.	The City may administer an alternative compliance program for development and redevelopment as necessary.	TBD	Optional	TBD	PWD/Engineering
SB-30	If a regional social services effort is established, support workgroup to provide sanitation and trash management for person experiencing homelessness and determine if the program is suitable and appropriate for jurisdictional needs to meet goals.	If a regional effort is established, participate in workgroup and determine if the program is suitable and appropriate for jurisdictional needs to meet goals.	TBD	Optional	TBD	PWD
SB-31	As opportunities arise and funding sources are identified, protect areas that are functioning naturally by avoiding impervious development and degradation on unpaved open space areas, creating permanent open space protections on undeveloped city-owned land, and acquiring privately-owned undeveloped open areas.	Where feasible, avoid hardscape development and degradation in unpaved open space areas, create permanent open space protections to undeveloped city-owned land.	TBD	Optional	TBD	PWD
Green Infrastructure						
SB-32	Hwy 101 curb cuts	Curb cuts were installed along Hwy 101 in 2014 and will continue to be maintained.	City-wide	Prior to 2014	2014	PWD/Engineering
SB-33	If interim load reduction goals are not met and additional green infrastructure is required, 8.9 ac of available space have been identified as potential opportunities for green infrastructure implementation on public parcels	Construction, operation and maintenance of potential on-site treatment projects on public parcels. There is up to 8.9 acres of available space for on-site treatment implementation on public parcels (if needed).	TBD	Optional	TBD	PWD/Engineering
Green Streets						
SB-34	If interim load reduction goals are not met and additional green infrastructure is required, the additional acreage required can be implemented through green streets if potential opportunities for green infrastructure implementation on public parcels are not available.	Construction, operation and maintenance of green streets.	TBD	Optional	TBD	PWD/Engineering
Water Quality Improvement BMPs						
Proprietary BMPs						
SB-35	CDS treatment unit	Installation of a CDS treatment unit at the north end of N. Cedros in 2004. (CG-3064)	City-wide	2004	Ongoing	PWD
SB-36	CDS treatment unit	Installation of a CSD unit in Fletcher Cove Park in 2007. Drainage area is 2.5 acres. (PF-004)	City-wide	2007	Ongoing	PWD
SB-37	Biofilter	Installation of a biofilter at La Colonia Park in 2002. (CG-3069)	City-wide	2002	Ongoing	PWD

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<i>Dry Weather Flow Separation and Treatment Projects</i>						
SB-38	Seascape Sur Outfall Storm Water Diversion Structure Project	Proposed Seascape Sur Outfall Storm Water Diversion Structure Project. Approximate drainage area is 40.5 acres. Plan to start construction September 2014. Funded by Proposition 84 IRWM grant. Estimated cost is between \$79,000 and \$105,000. (Latitude 32.985441 Longitude 117.273058). Partner agency is San Elijo Joint Powers Authority.	City-wide	2014	2015	PWD with San Elijo Joint Powers Authority

PWD = Public Works Department; MWD = Metropolitan Water District; SDCWA = San Diego County Water Authority; SFID = Santa Fe Irrigation District; TBD = will be determined during the next fiscal year.

I.6 County of San Diego Strategies

Open space, agriculture, and other low-density land uses cover much of the County of San Diego's jurisdiction within the San Dieguito River WMA. The jurisdictional strategies reflect this and were chosen because they are well suited for these types of land uses. The County of San Diego has identified the jurisdictional strategies in Table I-8 to assist in meeting the Water Quality Improvement Plan goals. A compliance analysis using a watershed model was conducted to identify the strategies required to be implemented to meet interim and final goals. The adaptive management process provides the framework to evaluate progress toward meeting the goals and allows for modification of strategies. As strategies are modified, the compliance analysis will be updated as needed to provide assurance that numeric goals will be met.

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Strategy		Program Type (see notes at bottom)	Permit Reference	Sources	Frequency	Schedule
Jurisdictional Runoff Management Programs (JRMP) Strategies						
<i>Illicit Discharge, Detection, and Elimination (IDDE) Program</i>						
1	Maintain MS4 map to facilitate IDDE program	Base	MS4 Permit, Section E.2.b(1)	N/A	Annually	FY15
2a	Use municipal personnel/contractors to identify and report ICIDs	Base	MS4 Permit, Section E.2.b(2)	IC/IDs	ongoing	ongoing
	<i>updated focused training for County field staff</i>	Enhanced		all pollutants	Annually	FY16
2b	Collect effluent on the ground (EOG), sanitary sewer overflow (SSO) data	Base	MS4 Permit, Section E.2.b()	OWTS/SSO	ongoing	ongoing
	<i>Address septic system failures where observed</i>	Base		human sources	ongoing	ongoing
3	Maintain a hotline and email address for public reporting of potential ICIDs.	Base	MS4 Permit, Section E.2.b(3)	IC/IDs	ongoing	ongoing
	<i>Refer homeless issue complaints to Sheriff or appropriate jurisdictions</i>	Base		human sources	ongoing	ongoing
	<i>Bilingual hotline answered by I Love a Clean San Diego (ILACSD; live operator) with multiple avenues for online reporting</i>	Enhanced		IC/IDs	ongoing	FY16
	<i>investigate the feasibility of developing a pilot program (including training) - volunteer surveillance program</i>	Optional		IC/IDs	TBD/in dev.	FY16
4	Implement practices and procedures to address spills that may discharge into MS4	Base	MS4 Permit, Section E.2.b(4)	IC/IDs	ongoing	ongoing
	<i>coordinate spill response with responsible sewer agencies</i>	Base		SSOs	ongoing	FY16
	<i>implement septic system rebate program with availability of grant funding</i>	Optional		OWTS	ongoing	FY16
	<i>develop a pilot online septic system maintenance outreach program</i>	Optional committed		OWTS	ongoing	ongoing
5	Implement practices and procedures to prevent/limit infiltration of seepage from sanitary sewers	Base	MS4 Permit, Section E.2.b(5)	Sewer infrastructure	ongoing	ongoing
6	Coordinate with upstream Copermittees and/or entities to prevent ID from upstream sources into the MS4	Base	MS4 Permit, Section E.2.b(6)	IC/IDs	ongoing	ongoing
7	Monitor MS4 outfalls for discharges of potential ICIDs	Base	MS4 Permit, Section E.2.c	Persistent/ transient flows	Annually	ongoing
8	Develop and implement a strategy for investigating and addressing ICIDs.	Base	MS4 Permit, Section E.2.d	IC/IDs	One time	FY15
<i>Development Planning</i>						
9	All development projects: Implement or require implementation of source control BMPs to minimize pollutant generation at each project and implement LID BMPs to maintain or restore hydrology of the area, where applicable and feasible.	Base	MS4 Permit, Section E.3.a	new and redevelopment	ongoing	ongoing
10	Priority Development Projects: In addition to requirement for all development projects, implement or require implementation of onsite structural BMPs to control pollutants and manage hydromodification for PDPs.	Base	MS4 Permit, Sections E.3.b & E.3.c	new and redevelopment	ongoing	ongoing
11	Consider feasibility of developing an alternative compliance program to enable "offsite" compliance for new and redevelopment projects.	Optional	MS4 Permit, Section E.3.c(3)	new and redevelopment	in development	future
12	Update BMP Design Manual procedures to determine nature and extent of storm water requirements applicable to development projects and to identify conditions of concern for selecting, designing, and maintaining appropriate structural BMPs.	Base	MS4 Permit, Section E.3.d	new and redevelopment	in development	FY16
	<i>Conduct BMP Manual Training - Internal</i>	Base		new and redevelopment	one time	FY16
	<i>Conduct BMP Manual Training - External</i>	Enhanced		new and redevelopment	one time	FY16
13	Implement a program that requires and confirms PDP structural BMPs are designed, constructed, and maintained to remove pollutants.	Base	MS4 Permit, Section E.3.e	new and redevelopment	ongoing	ongoing
14	Enforce legal authority established for all development projects to achieve compliance.	Base	MS4 Permit, Section E.3.f	new and redevelopment	ongoing	ongoing
	<i>update county ordinance related to land development; reference to updated BMP manual</i>	Base		new and redevelopment	one time	FY15
	<i>Investigate feasibility of developing a Green Streets Program</i>	Optional		All	TBD	TBD
<i>Construction Management</i>						
15	Maintain and update a watershed-based inventory of all construction projects issued a local permit that allows ground disturbance or soil disturbing activities.	Base	MS4 Permit, Section E.4.b(1)	Construction: waste management, portable toilets	quarterly	FY16

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16	Implement or require implementation of BMPs that are site specific, seasonally appropriate and construction phase appropriate. Includes inspections at an appropriate frequency and enforcement of requirements.	Base	MS4 Permit, Sections E.4.c & E.4.d(1)	Construction: waste management, portable toilets	TBD/in dev.	ongoing
17	Enforce legal authority established for all its inventoried construction sites to achieve compliance.	Base	MS4 Permit, Section E.4.e	Construction: waste management, portable toilets	as necessary	ongoing
	<i>update county ordinance related to construction; reference to existing grading ordinance</i>	Base		Construction: waste management, portable toilets	one time	FY15
18	Conduct internal training on Construction Management	Base	MS4 Permit, Section E.7.a(3)	Construction: waste management, portable toilets	Annually	ongoing
Existing Development						
19	Maintain and update a watershed-based inventory of all existing development that may discharge a pollutant load to and from the MS4.	Base	MS4 Permit, Section E.5.a	ICMR	Annually	on going
	<i>make improvements to tracking watershed based inventories via consolidated database</i>	Optional committed		ICMR	one time	FY16
20	Designate a minimum set of BMPs required for all existing development inventories, including special event venues. The designated minimum BMPs must be specific to facility or area types and pollutant generating activities, as appropriate.	Base	MS4 Permit, Section E.5.b	ICMR	one time	on going
	<i>Create an Equestrian BMP Handbook</i>	Optional Committed	County Program	equestrian land uses	one time	FY16
	<i>Develop Stormwater Quality Master Plans for Special Drainage Fee Areas</i>	Optional committed		ICMR	ongoing	ongoing
21	Require implementation of minimum BMPs for existing development (commercial, industrial, municipal, and residential) that are specific to the facility, area types and pollutant generating activities, as appropriate.	Base	MS4 Permit, Section E.5.c	ICMR	ongoing	ongoing
	<i>facilitate pet waste management in County Parks through outreach or bag dispensers</i>	Enhanced		municipal parks	ongoing	ongoing
22	Operate and maintain (inspect and clean) MS4 and related structures (catch basins, storm drain inlets, detention basins, etc.).	Base	MS4 Permit, Section E.5.b.(1)(c)(ii)	MS4	Annually	ongoing
23	Operate and maintain (e.g., inspect, sweep) County maintained streets, unpaved roads, paved roads, and paved highways	Base	MS4 Permit, Section E.5.b.(1)(c)(iii)	transportation corridors	per JRMP	ongoing
24	Require implementation of BMPs to address application, storage, and disposal of pesticides, herbicides, and fertilizers on commercial, industrial, and municipal properties. Includes education, permits, and certifications.	Base	MS4 Permit, Section E.5.b(1)(d)	ICMR	ongoing	ongoing
25	Promote and encourage implementation of designated BMPs at residential areas.	Base	MS4 Permit, Section E.5.b(2)	residential	ongoing	FY16
26	Conduct inspections of inventoried existing development to ensure compliance	Base	MS4 Permit, Section E.5.c	ICMR	20% per year, all within 5 years	FY16
	<i>conduct focused residential inspections based on strategic assessments (modeling, MST, persistent flows, regulatory, monitoring data, SFR/MFR (112 RMAs based on HSA)</i>	Enhanced		residential	20% per year, all within 5 years	FY16
	<i>Investigate the feasibility of a residential inspections tracking program via mobile platform - miles, violations, etc.</i>	Optional Committed		residential	ongoing with inspections	FY16
	<i>Investigate the feasibility of improvements to inspections data tracking through mobile phone applications</i>	Optional		ICRM		FY16
27	Enforce legal authority established for all inventoried existing development to achieve compliance	Base	MS4 Permit, Section E.5.d	ICMR	ongoing	ongoing
	<i>update county ordinance related to existing development; reference to existing guidance documents</i>	Enhanced		ICMR	one time	FY15
28	Develop a strategy to identify candidate areas of existing development appropriate for retrofitting projects and facilitate the implementation of such projects.	Base	MS4 Permit, Section E.5.e(1)	municipal areas	internal and WMAA	FY15
	<i>collaborate with partner agencies and groups to promote non-County sponsored incentive programs for BMP retrofits, including rain barrels, smart controllers, soil sensors, turf replacement, etc.</i>	Enhanced		residential/ commercial	ongoing	ongoing
	<i>Investigate the feasibility of developing and implementing an incentive program for BMP Retrofits (Public-Private Partnerships - a County sponsored program to offer incentives for rain barrel installation, downspout disconnects from the stormwater system, etc)</i>	Optional committed				
29	Develop a strategy to identify candidate areas of existing development for stream, channel, and/or habitat rehabilitation projects and facilitate implementation of such projects.	Base	MS4 Permit, Section E.5.e(2)	municipal	internal and WMAA	FY15

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Outreach and Public Participation						
	<i>Develop Sustainable Landscapes Program based on available grant funding</i>	Optional		residential/ commercial	ongoing	FY16
	<i>develop, improve, distribute outreach materials for existing development</i>	Enhanced		ICMR	ongoing	ongoing
	<i>conduct outreach presentations to elementary, middle, and high school students</i>	Enhanced		ICMR	ongoing	ongoing
	<i>conduct outreach to mobile landscaping service providers</i>	Enhanced		ICMR	ongoing	ongoing
	<i>Conduct Homeowners Associations Outreach and Coordination Pilot Study</i>	Optional	Jurisdictional	Residential/ HOAs	ongoing	FY16
	<i>Consider expanding Homeowners Associations Outreach and Coordination (pilot project considered for San Luis Rey, San Dieguito and San Diego River) as needed and as funding is identified</i>	Optional				TBD
	<i>Sponsor Trash Collection Events</i>	Enhanced	County Program	existing land use	TBD	ongoing
	<i>Conduct Educational Workshops (e.g., IPM, manure management)</i>	Enhanced	County Program	residential	ongoing	ongoing
	<i>Conduct Education & Outreach Effectiveness Survey</i>	Enhanced	County Program	ICMR	annual	ongoing
Enforcement Response Plan						
30	Implement escalating enforcement responses to compel compliance with statutes, ordinances, permits, contracts, orders, and other requirements for IDDE, development planning, construction management, and existing development in the Enforcement Response Plan.	Base	MS4 Permit, Section E.6	all MS4 related sources	ongoing	ongoing
31	Notify the SDWB by email (Nonfilers_R9waterboards.ca.gov) within five (5) calendar days of issuing escalated enforcement to a construction site that poses a significant threat to water quality as a result of violations or other noncompliance	Base	MS4 Permit E.6.e.(1)	construction	ongoing	FY16
32	Notify the SDWB by email (Nonfilers_R9waterboards.ca.gov) any persons required to obtain coverage under the statewide Industrial General Permit and Construction General Permit and failing to do so, within five (5) calendar days from the time the Copermittee become aware of the circumstances.	Base	MS4 Permit E.6.e.(2)	industrial	ongoing	FY16
Public Education and Participation						
33	Implement a public education and participation program to promote and encourage development of programs, management practices and behaviors that reduce the discharge of pollutants in storm water prioritized by high risk behaviors, pollutants of concern, and target audiences.	Base	MS4 Permit, Section E.7	MS4 sources	ongoing	ongoing
Physical Strategies						
	<i>Investigate feasibility of Land Acquisitions for habitat restoration or preservation</i>	Optional	WURMP WQ	ICMR	ongoing	
34	Investigate feasibility of planning for Structural BMPs	Optional	MS4 Permit, Section B.2.e	TBD	TBD	land development programs
39	Investigate feasibility of Retrofitting projects in areas of existing development	Optional	MS4 Permit, Section B.2.e	TBD	TBD	potential for implementation via alternative compliance program
40	Investigate feasibility of Stream, channel, and/or habitat rehabilitation projects	Optional	MS4 Permit, Section B.2.e	TBD	TBD	potential for implementation via alternative compliance program
Optional Planning Strategies developed during WQIP process						
41	Consider pursuing removal of San Dieguito Watershed from Bacteria TMDL during the scheduled reconsideration of the Bacteria TMDL in 2016	Optional		N/A	one time	FY16
42	Consider development of incentive programs for water conservation (turf replacement, smart irrigation controllers, irrigation modifications, sustainable landscapes, rain barrels), in collaboration with water agencies and others, to reduce priority pollutants.	Optional				
43	Consider development of incentive programs, in collaboration with DEH, for pumping septic systems in high risk areas adjacent to waterways (within 600 ft) or stormwater system; subject to grant funding	Optional				
44	Consider partnerships with Master Gardeners to provide education opportunities on water use and practices for gardening	Optional				

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45	Consider collaboration with community groups to provide "boots on the ground" local information to focus implementation efforts on reducing bacteria and other pollutants, close to the source	Optional				
46	Consider collaboration with COSD internal departments to leverage mutually beneficial projects to promote retrofits to include installation of controls to address priority pollutants, if feasible.	Optional				
47	Consider collaboration with watershed partners to encourage consistent messaging to specific targeted audiences (commercial, residents, and others) to conserve water and mitigate dry weather flows	Optional				
48	Consider collaboration with watershed partners on Round 4 of Proposition 84 IRWM grant opportunities to fund targeted educational programs, building of structural controls (brick and mortar projects), or incentive programs to reduce runoff	Optional				
49	Consider collaboration with watershed partners and Regional Water Quality Control Board on effective measures to reduce potential impact of pollutant loads to waterways from unauthorized encampments	Optional				
50	Consider collaboration with wastewater agencies to identify where sewer and stormwater infrastructure are in close proximity and confirm the absence of flow at nearby stormwater MS4 outfall during dry weather	Optional				
52	Consider collaboration with watershed partners to remove invasive non-native plants (Arundo) upstream areas rivers or tributaries to increase flood and fire protection and reduce the number of unauthorized encampments on the river bottom	Optional				
53	In collaboration with DEH, consider developing program for on-site wastewater treatment (septic) systems. May include mapping and risk assessment, inspection, or maintenance practices.	Optional				
54	Implement full scale residential pet waste projects (commitments, large property, urban)	Optional				
56	Consider investigating diverting persistent dry weather flows from storm drains to sanitary sewer, where feasible	Optional				
57	Consider the design of structural controls for persistent unpermitted dry weather flows where outreach has been unsuccessful and groundwater or other non-MS4 sources has been ruled out	Optional				
58	Consider developing a strategy to evaluate opportunities to naturalize concrete stormwater conveyances, and identify potential funding sources (such as grants) for design and implementation	Optional				
59	Consider evaluation and reprioritization of the AWM stormwater program to determine inspection priorities for agricultural and related facilities.	Optional				
60	<i>Consider collaboration with Caltrans on their implementation of TMDLs at stream reaches on the Caltrans TMDL Prioritization List that are within the County's jurisdiction.</i>	Optional				

Program Type Notes:

Base - Indicates requirements of the MS4 Permit that the County will implement.

Enhanced - Base program that has been enhanced beyond the MS4 Permit requirements. The enhanced portions of these strategies would be implemented if needed and if funding is available.

Optional - Strategies that are not required by the MS4 Permit. These strategies would be implemented if needed and if funding is available. Those that are "**committed**" are currently funded this fiscal year (FY14-15) and/or being undertaken or planned for undertaking.

Responsible party notes:

WPP = DPW Watershed Protection Program

ED = WPP, Existing Development

PS = WPP, Planning and Science

DC = WPP, Development and Construction

FC = DPW Flood Control

CIP = DPW Capital Improvement Projects

DEH = Department of Environmental Health

AWM = Department of Agriculture, Weights and Measures

APPENDIX J
Strategy Selection

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APPENDIX J. STRATEGY SELECTION

Jurisdictional strategies were selected based on their ability to (a) effectively and efficiently eliminate non-storm water discharges to the municipal separate storm sewer system (MS4), (b) reduce pollutants in storm water discharges in the MS4 to the maximum extent practicable (MEP), and (c) achieve the interim and final numeric goals. Efficiency in pollutant reduction is based on identifying the known and suspected areas and sources likely contributing to the highest priority water quality condition and then targeting those sources. To assist in the geographical identification of sources, watershed modeling and geographical information system (GIS) tools were used to estimate the relative bacteria loading within the San Dieguito WMA, land ownership and availability of public land for implementation, and physical watershed characteristics (such as slope and soil types) for selection of best management practices (BMPs).

The MS4 Permit requires identifying known and suspected areas and sources that cause or contribute to the highest priority water quality condition within the following Responsible Agency inventories: MS4 outfalls, priority development projects, construction sites, and existing developments. Results of the analysis of relative wet and dry weather bacteria pollutant loadings may be used to meet this permit requirement by strategically focusing nonstructural programs and activities in these areas. The pollutant loading was also combined with other factors to determine potential locations for structural BMP implementation.

J.1 Bacteria Source Prioritization

To identify potential geographic areas where bacteria-generating activities are contributing to watershed pollutant loads, subwatersheds delineated in recent modeling were prioritized, based on the modeled bacteria loading results. The model estimated the bacteria loading, based on physical watershed characteristics (e.g. slope, soil types, and precipitation zones) and land-use-based runoff parameters, and was calibrated to measured receiving water results. The model used best available data at the time the model was created. The prioritization estimates the relative bacteria loading; as more data are gathered through implementation of the San Dieguito River WMA Water Quality Improvement Plan, the prioritized areas may change.

All modeled bacteria results were averaged for both wet weather and dry weather, and then quintiles were established for each subwatershed and assigned to each pollutant. The individual quintile scores (1–5) for *Enterococcus*, fecal coliform, and total coliform were averaged to create a dry composite bacteria score and a wet composite bacteria score (Table J-1). A score of “5” indicates a subwatershed pollutant loading in the top 20th percentile (high pollutant loading), whereas a score of “1” indicates a subwatershed loading in the bottom 20th percentile (low pollutant loading). The dry and wet composite scores are shown in Figure J-1 and Figure J-2, respectively.

Table J-1
Water Quality Prioritization

TMDL Pollutant	Dry Composite Score (1–5)*	Wet Composite Score (1–5)*	Composite Water Quality Score
Bacteria, Sediment	Bacteria _{dry} **	Bacteria _{wet} **	Dry Composite Score + Wet Composite Score

Note:

* The 1–5 score represents the area loading's quintile, as determined by the modeling results. A score of "5" indicates that the area loading was in the top 20 percentile, whereas a score of "1" indicates an area loading in the bottom 20 percentile. Quintiles were established for each watershed.

**Bacteria_{dry/wet} is the average of the dry *Enterococci*, fecal coliform, and total coliform scores.

TMDL = total maximum daily load

In Figure J-1, areas that are expected to contribute the highest bacteria loading (and are therefore suspected to have more bacteria sources) are shaded darker; areas that are less likely to contribute to bacteria loads are lightly shaded. Subwatersheds with more development (the western part of the watershed) are expected to contribute more bacteria than less-developed open spaces. The model simulates bacteria loading based on land use. Sources identified in Section 3 of the Water Quality Improvement Plan are generally associated with land use types, but are not explicitly represented in this prioritization. For example, sources such as the episodic sanitary sewer overflows are not explicitly included in the model, however residential areas or areas with general development do have a higher bacteria load associated than undeveloped areas. This prioritization is meant as a guideline for identification of geographic areas within which to investigate sources. Each Responsible Agency may have additional information to inform its jurisdictional strategies.

Further analysis to determine the site suitability for structural strategies is discussed in Section J.2.



Figure J-1



Figure J-2

J.2 Structural Strategy Site Identification

To identify suitable sites, structural strategies were developed using information regarding each Responsible Agency's existing, proposed, or planned structural BMPs that could contribute to future load reduction. Potential sites for construction of additional structural BMPs were also screened and prioritized, using the processes outlined below. This site identification process was completed for potential green infrastructure and multiuse treatment areas. Site suitability was not evaluated for water quality improvement BMPs because they were not the preferred structural solution for addressing wet weather flows at a watershed scale (i.e. water quality improvement BMPs do not tend to provide multiuse benefits to the community and typically treat smaller areas during wet weather flows than multiuse treatment areas and green infrastructure). Site selection was conducted in two phases, primary screening then prioritization.

J.2.1 Primary Screening

The primary screening process identified parcels potentially suitable for BMP implementation for both green infrastructure and multiuse treatment area BMPs. The primary screening process began with preliminary screening based on two parameters:

- ❖ ***Parcel Ownership and Zoning and Land Use:*** Land costs generally can be minimized by using existing public lands; therefore, all privately owned parcels were eliminated as potential BMP sites. All classifications of zoning and land use, and all indications of public ownership for public parcels were considered.
- ❖ ***Slope:*** Parcels with a slope greater than 15 percent were not considered for BMP opportunities. The screening was expanded to include areas in and around canyons for multiuse treatment area BMPs in order to maximize the potential treatment from canyon areas.

The results of the primary screening process provided a base list of parcels potentially suitable for BMP implementation. To further determine the suitability of each parcel, the base list of parcels was prioritized separately for green infrastructure and multiuse treatment areas, as described in the subsequent sections.

J.2.2 Green Infrastructure Prioritization Process

A geographic information system (GIS) was used to rank parcels by their relative suitability. To determine the optimal suitability, various criteria (such as pollutant loadings of the drainage areas) were considered, along with site parameters (such as soil infiltration rates). The characteristics used are presented below and the respective ranking criteria are listed in Table J-2. The results of the screening and prioritization process are shown in Figure J-3, in which areas that are most suitable for green infrastructure have the lightest green shading and areas that are least suitable have the darkest green shading.

- ❖ **Pollutant Loading:** Parcels where estimated pollutant loadings are greatest were given a higher priority. Land-based pollutant loadings were obtained from the CLRP Task 2 Pollutant Source Characterization modeling results. Pollutant loading percentiles were determined on a watershed basis, and represent the average pollutant loading scores. A composite wet- and dry-weather areal loading score was developed for each applicable TMDL pollutant in each watershed.
- ❖ **Parcel Zoning and Ownership:** Land costs generally are minimized by using existing public lands; therefore, a higher priority was placed on publicly-owned parcels.
- ❖ **Hydrologic Soil Groups:** The mapped hydrologic soils groups were used as an initial estimate of the infiltration rate and storage capacity of the soils. Sites where mapped hydrologic soils groups have infiltration rates suitable for infiltration BMPs received higher priority.
- ❖ **Wells, Water Supplies, and Contaminated Sites:** Areas near contaminated sites received lower priority because of their potential for increased costs and complications during implementation.
- ❖ **Environmentally Sensitive Areas:** Areas where runoff can be treated before draining to an ESA were given a higher priority.
- ❖ **Total Impervious Area:** Parcels with a larger total impervious area typically generate more runoff and greater pollutant loads, and so were given a higher priority. Where impervious data were not available, the impervious area was estimated using aerial imagery.
- ❖ **Percent Impervious:** Parcels with a higher percentage of impervious area also typically produce more runoff, and so were targeted on the basis of their greater potential to reduce volume and improve water quality.
- ❖ **Proximity to Existing BMPs:** To distribute treatment opportunities effectively throughout the watershed, areas close to existing or planned future BMPs were given a lower priority.
- ❖ **Proximity to Parks and Schools:** Areas closest to parks and schools were given a higher priority, in part to provide a greater opportunity for public outreach and education.
- ❖ **Proximity to the Storm Drainage Network:** Areas close to the storm drain network were given a higher priority. Green infrastructure BMPs on poorly draining soils require underdrain systems that tap into existing infrastructure, and siting these near the storm drain network can minimize cost.

Table J-2
Prioritization Criteria for Potential Green Infrastructure BMP Sites

Criterion	Score (1 = Worst; 5 = Best)				
	1	2	3	4	5
Wet weather areal pollutant loading (Table G-1)	<20 th percentile	20–40 th percentile	40–60 th percentile	60–80 th percentile	>80 th percentile
Dry weather areal pollutant loading (Table G-1)	<20 th percentile	40–20 th percentile	60–40 th percentile	80–60 th percentile	>80 th percentile
Parcel zoning, land use, and ownership	—	—	—	Other-owned public parcels (schools and universities, state and federal facilities, utilities, etc.) were given a priority score of 8.	City- or county-owned public parcels and rights-of-way were given a priority score of 10.
Hydrologic soil group (HSG)	D		C	—	A, B
Proximity to wells, water supplies, and contaminated soils (feet)	< 100	—	> 100	—	—
Proximity to environmentally sensitive area (ESA) (optional)	—	—	—	Drains to	Adjacent to
Impervious area (acres)	—	> 0.1	> 0.25	> 0.5	> 1
% imperviousness	< 50	—	—	80–90	60–80
Proximity of existing or proposed BMP site (miles)	< 2	2–3	3–4	4–5	> 5
Proximity to park or school (feet)	> 1,000		< 1,000	—	—
Proximity to storm drainage network (feet)	> 300	< 300	< 100	—	—

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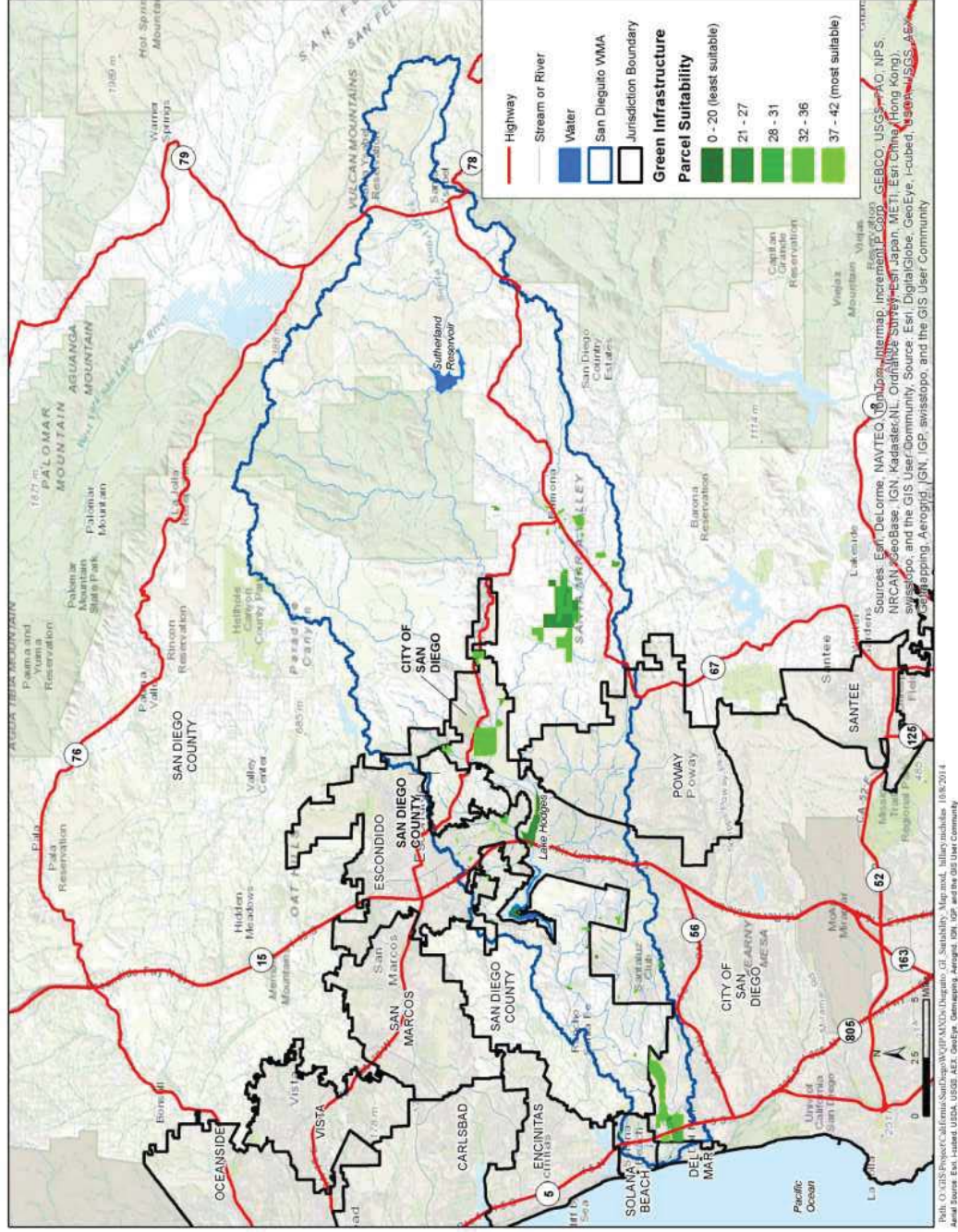


Figure J-3
Green Infrastructure Parcel Suitability

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J.2.3 Multiuse Treatment Area Prioritization Process

Following the primary screening process, potential sites for multiuse treatment areas were evaluated and prioritized on the basis of (a) site characteristics that can affect BMP design or construction and (b) potential multiuse features, as presented in Table J-3. As with the primary screening, criteria were ranked with scores from 1 to 5, with “1” indicating low suitability and “5” indicating ideal conditions. Then the validity of the site was assessed, based on a review of aerial photography, to verify that the site visually meet the requirements of Table J-3. Next, potential multiuse treatment areas were subjected to a more detailed evaluation and site investigation. Implementation requirements were developed and assessed for each of these sites (including land acquisition requirements, permitting challenges, construction considerations, and preliminary cost estimates) and each site was ranked for implementation feasibility. Fact sheets summarizing each potential site were developed to guide future implementation.

The candidate multiuse treatment area BMP opportunities are denoted in Figure J-4.

Table J-3
Prioritization Criteria for Multiuse Treatment Area BMP Implementation

Criterion	Score (1 = Worst; 5 = Best)				
	1	2	3	4	5
Parcel type	—	—	—	Other-owned public parcels (schools/universities, state and federal facilities, utilities, etc.) were assigned a priority score of 8.	City- or county-owned public parcels were assigned a priority score of 10.
Hydrologic soil group (HSG)	D	—	C	—	A, B
Proximity to wells and water supplies, and contaminated soils (feet)	< 100	—	> 100	—	—
Proximity to environmentally sensitive area (ESA)	—	—	—	Drains to	Adjacent to
% imperviousness	> 40%	—	—	30%–40%	≤ 30%
Parcel size (acres)	< 1	1–100	100–150	150–200	≥ 200
Proximity to existing or proposed best management practice (BMP) site (miles)	< 2	2–3	3–4	4–5	> 5
Proximity to park or school (feet)	> 1,000	—	< 1,000	School	Park
Proximity to storm drainage network (feet)	> 300	< 300	< 100	—	—
Contributing area (acres)	< 50	> 50	> 100	> 150	> 250
% imperviousness of contributing area	< 40	> 40	> 50	> 60	> 70
Proximity to corrugated metal pipe (CMP) systems (only in City of San Diego jurisdiction)	CMP requiring no action	—	CMP needing rehabilitation	—	CMP needing replacement



Figure J-4

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APPENDIX K

Strategy Benefits and References

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APPENDIX K. STRATEGY BENEFITS AND REFERENCES

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APPENDIX L

Comprehensive Benefits Analysis of Water Quality Improvement Plan Strategies

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Summary

The City of San Diego Storm Water Division (“Division”) is developing Water Quality Improvement Plans (WQIPs) that consist of a range of structural and nonstructural strategies for meeting TMDL regulatory requirements in each watershed. However, the Division recognizes that these strategies differ with respect to their contribution to “additional” or “other” benefits to the local community, environment, and economy that are beyond specific water quality improvements in streams. This assessment has been implemented to provide the Division with supplemental information on these potential benefits. The Division aims to consider these other benefits in selecting strategies only in cases when strategies yield the same level of water quality improvements but which may produce markedly different levels of other benefits.

This document outlines a framework for assessing other benefits from these strategies. The framework assesses how each type of strategy could impact one or more types of other benefits. These additional benefits consist of various types of changes beyond water quality improvements in terms of environmental resources, quality of life, property values, business development, and others.

In the WQIPs, individual strategies are grouped into a series of categories that are defined as either ‘Nonstructural’ or ‘Structural.’ Over 20 categories of strategies have been defined based on their similarity in how they can improve water quality and include *Development Planning, Construction Management, Existing Development, Illicit Discharge, Detection, and Elimination (IDDE) Program, Public Education and Participation, and Enforcement Response Plan.*

The framework for assessing the potential for additional benefits from strategies has several dimensions including::

- ❖ *Strategy Categories* are defined by how they influence water quality improvements (see Section 2). There are three Structural and four Nonstructural types of strategy categories including.
 - *Structural Strategies*, as defined in the WQIP include: (a) Green infrastructure, (b) multi-use treatment areas, or (c) water quality improvement BMPs
 - *Nonstructural Strategies*, as defined in this assessment based on how these strategies aim to: (a) Improve Structural Systems Performance, (b) Increase the Number of Structural Systems, (c) Change Behavior; or (d) Reduce Pollutants Directly.
- ❖ *Benefit Categories* include a range of economic, social and environmental outcomes. This assessment determines the relevance and impact of each strategy category on a benefit category (see Section 3).

- ❖ *Impact Levels* of a strategy category in a benefit category is classified as either (a) monetizable, (b) measurable, (c) potential, or (d) not applicable. (See Section 3). These impact levels are indented to provide *order of magnitude* information about the potential impact of a strategy on each type of benefit.
- ❖ A scoring system is established for the magnitude of benefits evaluation to compare different strategies (see Section 3). In addition, the total number of applicable benefits is provided for additional information about the relative advantage of different strategies.

A discussion and rationale for assessing the level of impact for a given strategy on a benefit category is provided in Section 4. This assessment is intended to be an initial, order of magnitude of benefits of different strategies. It can only be an illustrative assessment since details on the design and location of any individual strategy is not available at this stage. The framework however is intended to indicate how and to what degree benefits could be estimated once a strategy is in place. As an order of magnitude assessment, strategies with measurable and monetizable would be expected to exhibit successively higher levels of estimable benefits compared to strategies that are classified as only having a potential connection to benefits.

The results, as presented in Section 5, indicate that structural strategies (especially, Green Infrastructure and Multiuse Treatment Areas) have the highest potential to generate sizable benefits. However, a number of nonstructural strategies (e.g. Initiatives to Change Behavior for Existing Development, Priority Development Projects, Construction Management, Public Education and Enforcement, among others) could also provide additional benefits. Many other non-structural strategies have the potential to generate a wide range of different benefits for the community.

A cross-cutting theme in this assessment is the impact of strategies on property values and business development. Some strategies, such as ones that foster on-site water retention and reduction of street debris, have the potential to provide tangible and intangible benefit to communities and local businesses by reducing water and clean-up costs and providing an overall improved aesthetic environment. Depending on where and how a strategy is implemented, benefits can be higher or lower. The literature review in Appendix 1 discusses cases where these benefits have measured.

A next step for this assessment would entail site-specific evaluations of strategies and potential additional benefits of WQIP at a planning level. As strategies become more defined and specific data becomes available on project conditions, this framework could be adapted further to create more detailed results for prioritizing strategies. This step would include applying current research to site specific projects to more direct monetize and quantify the outcomes of strategies in terms of cost savings and property value enhancements. Better still would be a pre- and post-monitoring program to assess the singular and combined effects of strategies to different stakeholders.

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Acronyms and Abbreviations

Acronym or Abbreviation	Definition
ac	Acres
BCA	Benefit Cost Analysis
BES	Bureau Of Environmental Services
BMP	Best Management Practice
Btu	British Thermal Unit
CAMX	California-Mexico Power Area
CEA	Cost-Effectiveness Analysis
CLRP	Comprehensive Load Reduction Plan
CNT	Center For Neighborhood Technology
CO ₂	Carbon Dioxide
CSO	Combined Sewer Overflow
DOT	Department Of Transportation
EIA	Economic Impact Analysis
EPA	Environmental Protection Agency
GHG	Greenhouse Gas
GI	Green Infrastructure
HOA	Home Owner's Association
IDDE	Illicit Discharge, Detection, And Elimination
kWh	Kilowatt Hour
LACDPW	Los Angeles County Department Of Public Works
LID	Low Impact Development
M Wh	Mega Watt Hour
MMSD	Milwaukee Metropolitan Sewage District
MODA	Multi-Objective Decision Analysis
MS ₄	Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System
NO _x	Nitric Oxide And Nitrogen Dioxide
NPV	Net Present Value
NRDC	Natural Resources Defense Council
O&M	Operations And Maintenance
O ₃	Oxide
PDP	Priority Development Projects
PFC	Permeable Friction Course
PGA	Pollutant Generating Activities

Acronyms and Abbreviations (continued)

Acronym or Abbreviation	Definition
PM	Particulate Matter
PWD	Philadelphia Water District
QMRA	Quantitative Microbial Risk Assessment
SO ₂	Sulfur Dioxide
SPU	Seattle Public Utilities
SROI	Sustainable Return On Investment
TBL	Triple Bottom Line
TIGER	Transportation Investment Generating Economic Recovery
TMDL	Total Maximum Daily Load
UTC	Urban Tree Canopy
WAMP	Watershed Asset Management Plan
WERF	Water Environment Research Foundation
WQIP	Water Quality Improvement Plan

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1 Introduction

The City of San Diego Storm Water Division (Division) has prepared many potential strategies as part of its Water Quality Improvement Plan (WQIP). These strategies have identified a range of structural best management practices (BMPs) (e.g., a constructed runoff reduction system, such as a bio-swale), and nonstructural BMP activities (e.g., programs that promote installation of constructed systems, or reduce pollutants directly through education and outreach). This memo seeks to assess the potential for strategies to generate “additional” or “other” benefits beyond water quality improvements. The Division seeks such information to contribute to prioritization of strategies that meets regulatory requirements and generates the best value for the community and local businesses.

The concept for evaluating the other benefits of proposed strategies has been under discussion since April 2014. A technical memo was developed as an initial task to classify additional benefits from the Division’s stormwater management strategies. That memo is contained in Appendix 1 and includes a literature review of potential benefit categories and case studies of green infrastructure program benefits. The economic framework was presented to stakeholders at a meeting on May 20, 2014. Feedback was elicited during and after that meeting, and has been incorporated into this document and to the Division’s current approach to evaluating strategies (see presentation, handout, and comments from workshop in Appendix 2).

The next several sections in this document present the approach and draft evaluation of additional benefits. The evaluation has been applied to a comprehensive list of strategies from the City’s three draft WQIPs (Mission Bay, Los Peñasquitos, and San Dieguito). The framework entails the characterization of strategy categories by type of impact (Section 2), definition of potential types of benefit categories (Section 3) and a classification of benefits for each strategy category (Section 4). Results of this evaluation are contained in Section 5.

This assessment of additional benefits of WQIP strategies is conducted for initial planning purposes only. As strategies become more defined and specific data becomes available on project conditions, this framework could be adapted further to create more detailed results for prioritizing strategies. This step would include applying current research to site specific projects to more directly monetize and quantify the outcomes of strategies areas such as recreational, property value and business development benefits.

2 Strategy Classifications

The WQIP identifies a number of strategy categories as either “Nonstructural” or “Structural”, and in terms of whether they are Jurisdictional Strategies or Optional Jurisdictional Strategies. Optional strategies are those strategies that may be triggered in the future to achieve the interim and final numeric goals.” In the analysis of benefits, the main distinction is between Nonstructural or Structural types which are defined in the following ways.

Nonstructural Strategies include “those actions and activities intended to reduce storm water pollution, which do not involve construction of a physical component or structure to filter and treat storm water.” Individual strategies are grouped into over 25 different categories including: *Development Planning, Construction Management, Existing Development, Illicit Discharge, Detection, and Elimination (IDDE) Program, Public Education and Participation, Enforcement Response Plan, and Non-JRMP Strategies*. For each watershed, a list of potential nonstructural strategies has been developed that reflect the needs, opportunities and constraints in different locations. In general, many of these initiatives have been implemented by the Division for many years and are integral to regulatory compliance on a watershed-specific basis.

Nonstructural strategy categories are further defined in this assessment by *how* they improve water quality, which in turn indicates how they may generate other benefits. For example, four types of mechanisms include the ways in which strategies:

- ❖ **Improve Structural Systems Performance:** These include strategies that relate to new design standards and performance monitoring would be measured by the improvement in the performance of installed structural systems. The benefits of these nonstructural strategies would ultimately draw from the benefits of structural systems that are implemented.
- ❖ **Increase the Number of Structural Systems:** These strategies aim to increase the rate of BMP adoption is due to training in the community or general promotion of BMPs, lead to benefits whenever they are installed. The outcome of these strategies then depends on the number of *additional* systems that are installed.
- ❖ **Change Behavior:** These strategies target efforts to encourage improved environmental stewardship and storm water protection by residents and businesses throughout the community. Various types of actions that people may take who become more aware of environmental impacts through these strategies include adoption of rain barrels, reducing litter, and reducing unnecessary levels of pesticides, herbicides and fertilizers.
- ❖ **Reduce Pollutants Directly:** These strategies include those that aim to directly control pollution through actions that the Division and other public agencies can take independently, such as internal training, enforcement and administrative changes. These strategies can lead to behavior change by individuals but initially through a focus on public entities.

Structural Strategies, in contrast to Nonstructural strategies, are physical infrastructure that are designed for site-specific conditions and placed strategically across a watershed to improve water quality. The effectiveness and feasibility of implementing any of these BMPs varies depending on their design and site conditions. For example, the effectiveness of a BMP for enhanced infiltration capacity of a watershed depends on amenable soil types. Other site-specific considerations include the physical land area available for effective implementation and maintenance. Also, the capital and maintenance costs of a BMP influence its feasibility for the Division, especially in comparison to other BMPs which can be implemented more cost-effectively. The structural strategies that have been identified as potentially suitable for San Diego watersheds and have been classified as one of three types: (1) green infrastructure, (2) multiuse treatment areas, and (3) water quality improvement BMPs.

- ❖ **Green Infrastructure** covers a range of BMPs that are designed to be integrated in a broader site plan to maintain healthy waters, provide multiple environmental benefits, and support sustainable communities. Green infrastructure is distinguished from other methods by making deliberate and effective use of vegetation and soil to manage storm water.
- ❖ **Multiuse Treatment Areas** in the Water Quality Improvement Plan are identified as large-scale treatment areas such as multiuse basins and stream, channel, and habitat rehabilitation projects. These systems are designed as regional facilities that can receive flows from neighborhoods or larger areas and become cost-effective solutions that provide multiple benefits. For example, such systems can be integrated in public spaces, such as soccer fields and parks, which provide recreational areas and flood control, ground water recharge, restoration, habitat enhancement, and recreation. In addition stream bank projects that reduce erosion can improve water quality and simultaneously improve habitat.
- ❖ **Water Quality Improvement BMPs** include systems that supplement the design performance of existing infrastructure. For example, systems that segregate trash includes inlet devices, such as trash guards or racks that capture debris before they enter surface waters. Another example are proprietary commercial products that often aim to use settling, filtration, absorptive/adsorptive materials, vortex separation, and sometimes vegetative components to remove pollutants from runoff. Finally, dry weather flow separation and treatment projects target non-storm water dry season flows and divert these flows for treatment either on-site or to sanitary sewer systems and ultimately wastewater treatment plants.

Overall, 30 different groups of strategies have been classified as either “Jurisdictional” (strategy types numbered 1-23, in Table 2 and Table 6 or “Optional Jurisdictional” (strategies types numbered 24-30, in Table 3 and Table 7). Optional strategies are those strategies that may be triggered in the future to achieve the interim and final numeric goals.” The number ordering for these strategies follows from documents provided by the Division and reflects the most comprehensive list of current strategies under consideration. Specific strategies have also been identified by the Division within each strategy group.

3 Benefit Categories and Levels of Impact

Stormwater management strategies can generate various types of benefits and have different levels of impact. Economic research has shown that stormwater management strategies can generate a range of benefit categories with economic, environmental and social impacts for the local residents, businesses, and public agencies. The level of impact of a strategy can differ across benefit categories and depends on the design of the strategy, site conditions where the strategy is implemented, and characteristics in the community. Estimation of economic benefits from a strategy depends on the degree to which linkages can be quantified between strategy and a benefit category and then available economic literature to value this change. In some cases, only a part of the link between a strategy and a benefit category can be quantified (e.g. the volume of water retained by a green infrastructure system can be measured, but not its impact on stream bank stabilization).

3.1 Description of Benefit Categories

This section below discusses a number of benefit categories that are found in economic literature. They are grouped by financial, environmental and social dimensions. A broader discussion from the literature is contained in the Appendix 1.

Financial Benefits

- ❖ **Water Cost Savings:** This type of benefit could occur when potable water needed for landscaping, washing or other property maintenance is reduced. Green infrastructure strategies could enable such savings if water retention reduces water demand, or some part of the system improves irrigation efficiency. The reduction in demand lowers water costs. These savings could be quantified and monetized if the volumes of water retained at a site can be measured.
- ❖ **Energy Cost Savings:** Green infrastructure can generate energy cost savings in several ways. For example, buildings which are adjacent to trees or which install green roofs can benefit from lower the heating and cooling energy costs because of shading and insulation, respectively. Some research suggests that if such green infrastructure system were installed throughout a city, the overall ambient temperature would decline and which would in turn reduce cooling loads for other buildings. Finally, in cases when green infrastructure provides water storage that lowers pumping costs, there would be a corresponding reduction in energy costs.

Environmental Benefits

- ❖ **Flood Risk Reduction:** Reduced runoff in an urban watershed can reduce the frequency and severity of flooding in downstream neighborhoods in some cases. The magnitude of these benefits though depends on if such a neighborhood is downstream and on the design and scale of a strategy that reduces flooding. Other factors include rainfall conditions, soil characteristics, slope, elevation and watershed characteristics. A first step in quantifying the potential for flood risk reduction benefits requires an understanding how much water is retained.

- ❖ **Air Particulate Entrapment:** Some green infrastructure systems can trap airborne pollutants, such as particulate matter (e.g. PM10), directly from the environment on their leaves and in turn reduce adverse human health impacts.¹ The total amount of particulate trapping depends on the type of vegetation, and local climate conditions. For trees, the US Forest Service published a report that provides benchmark values for use in calculations.² This type of benefit can be quantified and potentially monetized based on the amount and type of plants.
- ❖ **Climate Impacts:** Carbon sequestration is a natural process in which plants store carbon in biomass and soils as they grow. When atmospheric carbon dioxide is taken up by trees, grasses, and other plants, it can reduce greenhouse gas effects on the planet. The amount of carbon that can be sequestered by a green infrastructure system depends on the above ground quantity of biomass of the tree, green roof or bio-swale. Economic valuation of climate change effects can be used to monetize carbon sequestration.
- ❖ **Habitat Related Benefits:** Green infrastructure that can provide habitat benefits include strategies that create new habitat areas, or improve existing ones. For example, vegetated infiltration systems can improve the habitat for flora and fauna, birds, and insect species. These different types of habitats are usually small in size and have limited impacts. Greater benefits may arise from large-scale strategies that enhance habitat connectivity in existing corridors. This type of benefit is readily quantified based on the acreage and plantings at a green infrastructure site, or stream bank stabilization effects, but more difficult to monetize because of limitations in economic research.
- ❖ **Air Quality Emission Reduction:** The total amount of reduction in criteria air contaminant emissions, such as particulate matter, from a power plant is directly tied to the reduction in energy use as discussed above. Energy savings are readily converted to its emission rate reductions by utilizing data from EPA and other public sources. Reduction in air pollution would generate health-related benefits for people. This benefit can be quantified and monetized if information is available on the amount of water and energy reduced at a treatment facility.
- ❖ **GHG Emission Reduction:** Similar to air quality emission reductions, energy demand reduction also reduces greenhouse gas emissions. The tons of greenhouse gas emissions are computed from the same data sources as criteria air contaminants. The economic damage caused by greenhouse gas emissions are broadly related to changes in productivity and damage costs.

¹ Center for Neighborhood Technology, The Value of Green Infrastructure. 2010

² <http://www.fs.fed.us/psw/programs/uesd/uep/products.shtml>

Social / Community Benefits

- ❖ **Property Value Enhancement:** Green infrastructure and other strategies can lead to enhanced property values under a variety of circumstances. For example, strategies that improve the overall visual appearance of a community simply by having planted material, street trees and bioswales among impervious surfaces have been shown to enhance value of nearby properties. In addition, some BMPs strategies aim to directly reduce litter or debris from public spaces to make it more visually appealing. These effects improve the overall quality of life in those neighborhoods. Benefits can be quantified by measuring the number of properties that are adjacent to the green infrastructure. Monetization of the effect would depend on the applicability of economic research on a site specific basis.
- ❖ **Recreational Benefits:** Certain green infrastructure strategies provide recreational benefits if they facilitate pedestrian, bicycle use, or connect to an existing recreational corridor or trails. Benefits would be monetized by the number of participants in a recreational activity at a site and their value per use. Other quantitative measures include the number and type of design features that offer recreational options.
- ❖ **Business Development & Jobs:** Green infrastructure, such as comprehensive green street designs, and initiatives to reduce street debris can lead to an enhanced sense of place, and increase in foot traffic that can support retail activity. Additionally, spending on capital investments and operations and maintenance (O&M) leads to job creation. This benefit can be measured by assessing the number of jobs created in an area where a green infrastructure strategy is implemented. In addition, these jobs can be associated with wider economic development benefits.
- ❖ **Crime Reduction:** Research suggests that fewer crimes occur near buildings with trees and non-invasive vegetation. Maintained areas of vegetation encourage informal social gatherings outdoors. Incidence of crime declines when with the presence of people and possibly by psychological precursors to crime.
- ❖ **Public Education/ Environmental Stewardship:** Promoting strategies that seek to change people's behaviors and make them more aware of their environmental impacts helps to cultivate a *stewardship perspective* in the community about its local natural resources. Quantification of this type of benefit may be measured in terms of how many people are reached with messages of programs aimed to enhance knowledge and ultimately actions towards to improve stormwater management.
- ❖ **Heat Island Effect:** Trees and other vegetation can reduce ambient temperatures in cities that have higher air temperatures. Lower temperatures can reduce health effects especially in populations that are at risk of heat stroke. Additionally, the overall lowering of temperatures can reduce cooling needs at properties located within the area. This type of benefit is only quantifiable in cases where the strategy is applied over a large scale.

- ❖ **Noise Reduction:** Some green infrastructure systems, such as wetlands or trees, are effective in reducing ambient noise because they can absorb it. This is also true for porous concrete and green roofs, but there is limited research in quantifying these benefits.

3.2 Characterization of the Benefit Level from a Strategy

The potential magnitude of benefits differs across strategy types. To account for these differences, four 'levels' are defined that represent a decreasing association between the impact of a strategy and a benefit category. These levels include:

Monetizable – The level of benefits indicates impacts that can be quantified and where economic research has been produced to determine a monetary value.

Measurable – There exists a connection for some measure of non-monetary impact can be identified and measured, even if economic research is not available to monetize the impacts.

Potential - A conceivable connection exists between a strategy and benefit category but it is not likely to be measurable.

Not Applicable - There is no discernible connection between a strategy and benefit category.

At this stage in program implementation and project design, the impact of each strategy on a benefit category can only be considered to be an order of magnitude assessment. An estimation of the actual impact would be highly uncertain since most strategies currently lack site-specific data about the design and implementation. Instead, these levels of impact are intended to provide separable categories that indicate the order of magnitude of benefits that a strategy may be able to generate. That is, it is only possible to assess the likelihood that a project can generate monetizable benefits, not the actual size of monetizable benefits.

At the same time, these four categories are intended to provide a broad degree of separation between strategies in terms of their measurable connection with each benefit category. For instance, if a strategy can be classified as having monetizable benefits, then its overall level of measurable benefits can be reasonably assumed to be higher than another strategy that is classified as being quantifiable, even if only in part. By the same rationale, these classifications would likely have more direct impact for a benefit category than a strategy whose impact can only be presumed.

This assessment aims to achieve consistency in evaluations within a specific strategy outcome group, as well as across strategy outcome groups. While some strategies have design or location specifications (e.g., total acres of bioretention), or target certain groups (developers vs. residential), others entail broad descriptions. Due to this uncertainty, the evaluation has taken a conservative approach to drawing conclusions about the magnitude of benefits that could arise from a strategy.

3.3 Scoring System

A scoring system is established to support comparisons of strategies with respect to the potential benefits they can generate (see Table 1). Each benefit level is assigned a point value that has been established through discussions with the Division. The values are intended to provide an indication of the strategy's impact across all benefit categories. In this case, potentially monetizable benefits are assigned a higher score than one that is only quantifiable (and not monetizable). This approach is intended to separate the types of benefits that are likely to be larger in magnitude from others that cannot be monetized nor quantified.

Table 1. Overview of Benefit Scoring

Level	Description	Point Value
Monetizable	Strategy can realize quantifiable impacts, and sufficient economic evidence supports placing a dollar value on these impacts.	1
Measurable	Strategy can realize quantifiable impacts, but lacks sufficient economic evidence to support placing a dollar value on these impacts.	0.667
Potential	Strategy most likely provides a positive impact, but the magnitude of the impact is uncertain.	0.333
Not Applicable	Strategy will not impact the benefit category in any meaningful way.	0

This scoring system places higher weight on strategies which may generate benefits that can be monetized (3 times the weight of a potential benefit level). Accordingly, in some cases a strategy that influences many additional benefit categories at a "*Potential*" level could score lower than one with fewer categories but with "*Monetizable*" impacts. This scoring system is designed for that type of result to give greater emphasis on strategy impacts that can be measured and are thus more tangible. Potential impacts are circumstantial and small, as compared to more significant impacts that can be measured and monetized. Furthermore, the implications of this scoring system have been taken into account in a consistent approach in determining which impacts of strategy are classified as monetizable, measureable or potential.

This scoring system is applied to the strategies in Table 2 through Table 7. This scoring system is only relevant for comparing strategies with respect to additional benefits, not in ways that influence a ranking towards meeting permit requirements and/or encourages other program objectives such as habitat restoration.

In addition, the total number of applicable benefit categories is also shown in Table 2 through Table 7 for additional reference on the impact of these strategies.

4 Framework for Assessment of Strategies

Determination of the applicability of benefits for each strategy depends primarily on the assignment of a strategy to one of the structural or nonstructural categories (defined in Section 2). Consistency in the applicability of a benefit category (defined in Section 3) for a strategy is maintained by jointly evaluating all strategies of a specific type. This section discusses the framework for assessing potential additional benefits that can arise from the implementation of each strategy. The aim of this exercise is to apply a consistent and transparent rationale for each strategy. Since available evidence is limited with respect to each strategy, the application of a consistent set of assumptions to each strategy underlies the basis for determining (a) which benefit categories are applicable, and (b) the potential magnitude of benefits, if a category is applicable.

The approach to assigning a magnitude level began with an assessment of the strategy for which the most information is available about its potential impact: Green Infrastructure (Ref 19). This type of strategy is used as a benchmark for assigning benefit categories and potential magnitudes of benefits due to the availability of evidence from projects implemented elsewhere in the U.S. To illustrate this approach for Green Infrastructure (Ref 19), consider the rationale below:

- ❖ In some cases, sufficient information available about the specific strategies specifies the area of bioretention and permeable pavement to be installed and the location of the project. Due to the size of these initiatives, and knowing that the vegetation can improve air quality through the uptake of criteria pollutants and improve the climate through carbon sequestration, it is assumed that the total pollutant and CO₂ removal from the atmosphere can be quantified. These quantified amounts of pollutant and CO₂ can then be monetized using standard practices that are currently being used to value these impacts.
- ❖ Additionally, it is assumed that these projects will provide aesthetic improvements to the existing site, which can be quantified with information regarding the number of properties within a certain radius and the property value changes.
- ❖ These sites will also need to be maintained, which will require spending on jobs, and depending on the specific site location, the improved aesthetics can also improve businesses located near the site.
- ❖ The total land area of the bioretention and permeable pavement will allow for quantifying the amount of rain water which gets absorbed onsite, and does not cause localized flooding, where applicable.
- ❖ The remaining other benefit categories are assumed to see positive impacts. For example, GHG emission reductions may occur from the lifecycle CO₂ emissions for permeable pavement being lower than the lifecycle CO₂ emissions of asphalt or pavement. However, there is not enough information at this time to accurately quantify that impact.

- ❖ Similarly, permeable pavement absorbs less heat than conventional pavement, which is a benefit for Urban Heat Island reduction. The amount of heat, and how that will affect public health cannot be quantified.

The potential impacts of all other strategies have been evaluated relative to the benchmark as established by the above assumptions for green infrastructure. As an example, the first group of strategies evaluated below, All Development Projects (Ref 1), focuses on improving existing systems performance. It is assumed that specific actions, such as administrative training or increased monitoring, will have positive impacts for the same benefit categories as a green infrastructure project. But since there is no way to quantify any of those impacts, the magnitude of benefits is assumed to be lower.

The remainder of this section discusses the assessment of Jurisdictional and Optional Jurisdictional Strategies. Note that these strategies represent the latest consideration in an evolving process of identification, specification and assessment. Not all strategies have been implemented or have plans for immediate implementation. At the same time, the specification of the design standards also varies from strategy to strategy. This assessment takes into account the *potential* benefits that may occur, given the information available, and assumptions that are listed in each strategy.

4.1 Jurisdictional Strategies

This section discusses the rationale and methodology for assigning scoring categories to the Jurisdictional Strategies, based on the most recent description of the strategy. This list of individual strategies has been grouped according to the same categories that are proposed for the draft WQIPs and are presented in the same chronological order. The information found in the parenthesis next to the strategy group name (*Ref X*), refers to the number in the far left columns of Table 2 and Table 6. Note that in some cases (e.g., Commercial, Industrial, Municipal, and Residential Facilities and Areas) the strategies are separated into two types (i.e., Improve Structural Systems Performance and Initiatives to Change Behavior) based on the specific ways in which a strategy creates benefits.

4.1.1 All Development Projects (Ref 1)

Strategies in this group consist of administrative and other tasks that center on improving the structural system's performance. Many of these types of strategies focus on broad initiatives such as training or source control. The list of strategies includes the following:

- ❖ Administer a program to ensure implementation of source control BMPs to minimize pollutant generation at each project and implement LID BMPs to maintain or restore hydrology of the area, where applicable and feasible.
- ❖ Investigation and research of emerging technology.
- ❖ Train staff on LID regulatory changes and LID practices.
- ❖ Amend municipal code and ordinances, including zoning ordinances, to facilitate and encourage LID opportunities. Ensure consistency with the City of San Diego's BMP Design Manual.

- ❖ Develop and implement Green Infrastructure Program and Guidelines.
- ❖ Develop Design Standards for Public LID BMPs.
- ❖ Create Right-of-Way Design Manual.

In scoring these strategies, it is assumed that the programs that target the administration or enforcement of BMPs would mostly affect the same benefit categories as a Green Infrastructure (GI) project which increases the acres of bioretention, but on a smaller scale. It is assumed that these projects would generate a positive impact but due to the uncertainty of the implementation and magnitude of the effect of these strategies, it cannot be measured.

Some of the broad initiatives are deemed to have too much uncertainty to reasonably assign a specific benefit level. It is however reasonable to assume that overall public awareness and knowledge of the issue will increase.

4.1.2 Priority Development Projects (PDPs) (Ref 2)

Similar to the strategies in the All Development Projects section, PDP initiatives are assumed to increase the number of structural systems and improve existing structural systems. These strategies include the following:

- ❖ For PDPs, administer a program requiring implementation of on-site structural BMPs to control pollutants and manage hydromodification. Includes confirmation of design, construction, and maintenance of PDP structural BMPs.
- ❖ Update BMP Design Manual procedures to determine nature and extent of storm water requirements applicable to development projects and to identify conditions of concern for selecting, designing, and maintaining appropriate structural BMPs.
 - Amend BMP Design Manual for trash areas. Require full four-sided enclosure, siting away from storm drains and cover. Consider the retrofit requirement.
 - Amend BMP Design Manual for animal-related facilities, such as animal shelters, "doggie day care" facilities, veterinary clinics, breeding, boarding and training facilities, groomers, and pet care stores.
 - Amend BMP Design Manual for nurseries and garden centers.
 - Amend BMP Design Manual for auto-related uses.
- ❖ Administer a program to inspect and enforce updated BMPs in BMP Design Manual
- ❖ Develop and administer an alternative compliance program to on-site structural BMP implementation (includes identifying Watershed Management Area Analysis [WMAA] candidate projects).

Scoring the impact of programs that target the administration or enforcement of BMPs would mostly affect the same benefit categories as a green infrastructure project which

increases the acres of bioretention, but on a smaller scale. Initiatives that focus on updating various components of the design manual are assumed to increase the efficiency of the already existing systems. However, the total magnitude of this improvement cannot be estimated without additional information, and thus other benefits for this group cannot be measured.

4.1.3 Construction Management (Ref 3)

There is one specific strategy under this group, and it is assumed it will improve structural system performance. Construction Management strategy is:

- ❖ Administer a program to oversee implementation of BMPs during the construction phase of land development. Includes inspections at an appropriate frequency and enforcement of requirements.

The scoring for this strategy is assumed to be the same as previously discussed strategies that improve the performance of existing systems.

4.1.4 Commercial, Industrial, Municipal, and Residential Facilities and Areas – Improve Structural Systems Performance (Ref 4)

The specific initiatives under this strategy group focus on improving structural systems performance. These strategies differ from the strategies in the next group, which also are included under Commercial, Industrial, Municipal, and Residential Facilities and Areas in the Water Quality Improvement Plan, but target a different outcome. Administering programs which require minimum BMPs are assumed to affect the same benefit categories as a GI project which increases the acres of bioretention, but a smaller scale. These strategies include:

- ❖ Administer a program to require implementation of minimum BMPs for existing development (commercial, industrial, municipal, and residential) that are specific to the facility, area types, and PGAs, as appropriate. Includes inspection of existing development at appropriate frequencies and using appropriate methods.
 - Update minimum BMPs for existing residential, commercial, and industrial development. Specific updates to BMPs include require sweeping, catch basin cleaning and maintenance of private roads and parking lots in targeted areas.
 - Power-washing minimum BMPs: Outreach to property managers and trash haulers to elevate the emphasis of washing as a pollutant source. Emphasize non-compliant washing as an enforceable violation.
 - Implement property based inspections.
 - Review policies and procedures to ensure discharges from swimming pools meet permit requirements.

Strategies that target pollutants directly, such as the power-washing minimum BMPs, can be assumed to reduce the amount of pollutants entering the environment. However, while these strategies protect habitats and improving aesthetics, the total amount of pollutants reduced cannot be measured until more information is known regarding the current level of pollutant discharges, and how many people are targeted as part of this initiative. These initiatives are assumed to require some level of public outreach or promotion, and public awareness of these issues will be raised.

4.1.5 Commercial, Industrial, Municipal, and Residential Facilities and Areas – Initiatives to Change Behavior (Ref 5)

While also focusing on Commercial, Industrial, Municipal, and Residential Areas, these strategies seek to initiate changes in behavior. This list includes:

- ❖ Implement pet waste program
- ❖ Consider installing trash bins, pet waste bag dispensers and pickup services on Rose Creek Bicycle Path and Rose Canyon Bicycle Path.
- ❖ Promote and encourage implementation of designated BMPs for residential and non-residential areas.
- ❖ Residential BMP: Rain Barrel.
- ❖ Residential and Commercial BMP: Grass Replacement.
- ❖ Residential and Commercial BMP: Downspout Disconnect.
- ❖ Residential and Commercial BMP: Microirrigation.
- ❖ Onsite Water Conservation Survey.

These types of initiatives can also lead to measurable impacts. Specifically, initiatives which encourage water conservation allow for quantification if a simple number of variables are known, such as the number of Rain Barrels, and average annual rainfall.

4.1.6 MS4 Infrastructure (Ref 6)

The specific strategy initiatives for MS4 Infrastructure focus on improving the structural systems performance. The list of MS4 Infrastructure Strategies includes:

- ❖ Implementation of operation and maintenance activities (inspection and cleaning) for MS4 and related structures (catch basins, storm drain inlets, detention basins, etc.) for water quality improvement and for flood control risk management.
 - Optimize catch basin cleaning to maximize pollutant removal (4 times per year for metals and sediment TMDLs, elsewhere 1 per year).
 - Increased frequency of catch basin inspection and as-needed cleaning (Settlement Agreement).

- Proactively repair and replace MS4 components to provide source control from MS4 infrastructure.
- ❖ Implement controls to prevent infiltration of sewage into the MS4 from leaking sanitary sewers.
- ❖ Identify sewer leaks and areas for sewer pipe replacement prioritization.

Since these projects specifically focus on sub-surface activities, it is assumed that other benefits associated with changes above ground are not affected. Due to the specificity of these initiatives, it is reasonable to assume they will have a positive impact on local flood risk reduction, which in turn could potentially affect habitat related benefits, and possibly aesthetics.

4.1.7 Roads, Street, and Parking Lots (Ref 7)

These strategies specifically target street litter or debris will create aesthetic improvements. These strategies include:

- ❖ Implement operation and maintenance activities for public streets, unpaved roads, paved roads, and paved highways.
- ❖ Outreach to street sweeping enhancement-targeted areas.
- ❖ Enhance street sweeping through equipment replacement (replace every 4 years) and route optimization (sweep all areas twice a month).
- ❖ Initiate sweeping of medians on high-volume arterial roadways.
- ❖ Implement additional street sweeping near commercial routes adjacent to maintained MS4 channels..

The impact of these strategies can be quantified by estimating the volume of litter and street pollutants removed. Also, depending on the local land-use for the streets targeted, it is conceivable that a cleaner environment can lead to business development and investment. Jobs then would be supported by the money spent on operation and maintenance activities.

4.1.8 Pesticide, Herbicides, and Fertilizer BMP Program (Ref 8)

This category includes a broad initiative to reduce pollutant loads. The strategy entails:

- ❖ Require implementation of BMPs to address application, storage, and disposal of pesticides, herbicides, and fertilizers on commercial, industrial, and municipal properties. Includes education, permits, and certifications.

While there is too much uncertainty at this time to be able to assign specific measurable benefits, this reduction in pollutants entering the environment will benefit habitats, and aesthetics. It is assumed that overall public awareness and knowledge of the issue will increase.

4.1.9 Retrofit and Rehabilitation in Areas of Existing Development – Improve Structural Systems Performance (Ref 9)

The goal of this strategy is to improve existing systems, specifically:

- ❖ Develop and implement a strategy to identify candidate areas of existing development appropriate for retrofitting projects and facilitate the implementation of such projects.

As this strategy focuses on retrofitting, is assumed to follow the same methodology for scoring other projects which increase the number of structural systems.

4.1.10 Retrofit and Rehabilitation in Areas of Existing Development – Increase the Number of Structural Systems (Ref 10)

This strategy was separated from the previous as it focuses on rehabbing existing ecological areas.

- ❖ Develop and implement a strategy to identify candidate areas of existing development for stream, channel, or habitat rehabilitation projects and facilitate implementation of such projects.

Specific improvements in streams and other systems will improve habitats and aesthetics and can be measured using the area of each project.

4.1.11 Illicit Discharge, Detection, and Elimination (IDDE) Program (Ref 11)

This program is assumed to change behavior, specifically, reduce pollutants entering the environment through illegal discharges and disposal. The strategy is defined as:

- ❖ Implement Illicit Discharge, Detection, and Elimination (IDDE) Program per the JRMP. Requirements include: maintaining an MS4 map, using municipal personnel and contractors to identify and report illicit discharges, maintaining a hotline for public reporting of illicit discharges, monitoring MS4 outfalls, and investigating and addressing any illicit discharges.

While broad strategies cannot be measured, it is assumed that the targeting of pollutants will improve the environment and benefit habitats and aesthetics. It is also assumed that overall public awareness and knowledge of the issue will increase.

4.1.12 Public Education and Participation: Initiatives to Change Behavior (Ref 12)

Strategies under Public Education and Participation are grouped under two categories, those which seek to change behavior, and are targeted at the community at large, and those which seek to reduce pollutants directly, by targeting business and industries. The strategies in this grouping target changing behavior, and are listed below:

- ❖ Implement a public education and participation program to promote and encourage development of programs, management practices, and behaviors that reduce the discharge of pollutants in storm water prioritized by high-risk behaviors, pollutants of concern, and target audiences.
- ❖ Expand outreach to homeowners' association (HOA) common lands and HOA incentives.
- ❖ Develop an outreach and training program for property managers responsible for HOAs and maintenance districts.
- ❖ Enhance and expand trash cleanups through community-based organizations involving target audiences.
- ❖ Improve consistency and content of websites to highlight enforceable conditions and reporting methods.
- ❖ Develop a targeted education and outreach program for homeowners with orchards or other agricultural land uses on their property.
- ❖ Enhance school and recreation-based education and outreach.
- ❖ Develop education and outreach to reduce over-irrigation.
- ❖ Enhance education and outreach based on results of effectiveness survey and changing regulatory requirements.

4.1.13 Public Education and Participation: Initiatives to Reduce Pollutants Directly (Ref 13)

These strategies differ from the previous group, in that they aim to reduce pollutants directly by targeting business and industries. This list includes:

- ❖ Provide technical education and outreach to the development community on the design and implementation requirements of the MS4 Permit and Water Quality Improvement Plan requirements.
- ❖ Develop regional training for water-using mobile businesses.
- ❖ Promote and encourage implementation of designated BMPs in commercial and industrial areas.
- ❖ Outreach to impacted industry regarding minimum BMP requirement updates. Affects commercial, industrial, residential development.

While the total effect of the strategies cannot be determined at this time, it is assumed that the targeting of pollutants will improve the environment and benefit habitats and aesthetics.

The strategies which target commercial areas are assumed to effect more benefit categories, consistent benefit category scoring for other strategies which require minimum BMPs.

4.1.14 Enforcement Response Plan: Initiatives to Change Behavior (Ref 14)

The Enforcement Response Plan strategies can be categorized by 3 separate desired outcomes, and have been grouped separately. These strategies are focused at changing behavior.

It can be assumed that irrigation cost savings will occur as one strategy specifically targets over-irrigation. Where irrigation cost savings occur, there can potentially be emission savings. This is due to the reduced energy needed to provide the water, which in turn reduces the emissions generated from energy production. More information would be needed about these projects to determine the extent to which irrigation cost savings are realized.

List of Enforcement Response Plan Strategies to Change Behavior:

- ❖ Continue to implement escalating enforcement responses to compel compliance with statutes, ordinances, permits, contracts, orders, and other requirements for IDDE, development planning, construction management, and existing development in the Enforcement Response Plan.
- ❖ Increase enforcement of over-irrigation.

4.1.15 Enforcement Response Plan: Initiatives to Reduce Pollutants Directly (Ref 15)

This strategy differs from the previous, in that its outcome creates initiatives to reduce pollutants directly.

List of Enforcement Response Plan Strategies to Reduce Pollutants Directly:

- ❖ Increase enforcement associated with property-based inspections.
- ❖ Increase enforcement of sweeping and maintenance of private roads and parking lots in targeted areas.
- ❖ Increase identification and enforcement of actionable erosion and slope stabilization issues on private property and require stabilization and repair.
- ❖ Increase enforcement of water-using mobile businesses.

4.1.16 Enforcement Response Plan - Improve Structural Systems Performance (Ref 16)

This strategy in the Enforcement Response Plan is assumed to improve structural systems performance through minimum BMP enforcement, which is different from the targeted outcome of the other strategies:

- ❖ Increase enforcement of minimum BMPs for existing residential, commercial, and industrial development, including power washing.

As this strategy targets commercial and industrial areas, consistent benefit category scoring for other strategies which require minimum BMPs is used.

4.1.17 Additional Nonstructural Strategies- Reduce Pollutants Directly (Ref 17)

The remaining Nonstructural strategies related to pollutant reduction are grouped together, and separated from the additional strategies which improve structural systems performance. They are assumed to see habitat related benefits, but due to the broad nature and lack of specific details, that is the only benefit category affected. Additional outreach is assumed to provide Public Education benefits.

List of Additional Nonstructural Strategies which Reduce Pollutants Directly:

- ❖ Address and clean up pollutants from homeless encampments through Homeless Outreach Team
- ❖ Continue participating in source reduction initiatives
- ❖ Coordinate with other City of San Diego Departments to replace City-owned vehicle brake pads with copper-free brake pads as they become commercially available
- ❖ Pesticide Use Reduction
- ❖ Zinc Reduction Program
- ❖ San Dieguito Source Identification and Prioritization Process

4.1.18 Additional Nonstructural Strategies - Improve Structural Systems Performance (Ref 18)

These strategies differ from those which seek to reduce pollutants directly, as these target outcomes to improve structural systems and have specific tasks such as 'actively monitor erosion' are expected to positively impact habitat and flooding benefits. All the strategies which are research studies are assumed to provide public education benefits.

List of Additional Nonstructural Strategies which Improve Structural Systems Performance:

- ❖ Proactively monitor for erosion, and complete minor repair and slope stabilization on municipal property
- ❖ Using adaptive management, delist the beach segment from the TMDL and Attachment E of the MS4 Permit
- ❖ Los Peñasquitos Watershed Special Study
- ❖ Reference watershed study
- ❖ Reference beach study

- ❖ Tecolote Creek Quantitative Microbial Risk Assessment (QMRA)
- ❖ Implement ASBS Compliance Plan
- ❖ Collaborate with City of San Diego PUD and other watershed stakeholders in the Lake Hodges Water Quality Concentration Study. Study will characterize conditions and identify sources.
- ❖ Develop and implement targeted roof replacement incentive program for Chollas

4.1.19 Green Infrastructure (Ref 19)

These strategies produce a large amount of quantifiable benefits due to the research that exists demonstrating the effectiveness of green infrastructure. This means that in most cases, at a minimum, the benefits can be measured. In certain cases, they can be monetized when enough information is available. As the specific strategies vary by watershed, a high level summary is provided.

Several BMPs involve increasing the total area (acres) of bioretention and permeable pavement on public parcels. Other strategies focus on specific target sites such as parks on green lots.

Strategies with specific design features (such as size of bioretention, etc.) allow for the ability to calculate the amount of storm water runoff retained, which can be used in to quantify Flood Risk Reduction, where applicable.

Less information is known about how these systems will fully operate, so it is possible that there could be irrigation cost savings, but such benefits cannot be accurately quantified without additional information. Where instances of irrigation cost savings could occur, some level of emission savings could also occur because of reduced energy use for delivering water.

Changes in biomass at a site (due to green streets plantings, or bioretention) can have quantifiable impacts on air quality and climate. The quantified amount depends on the specific properties of the new vegetation. Assuming that changes in biomass can be quantified, it is possible to suggest that noise reduction is a potential benefit, and local aesthetics would be improved. Local aesthetics would be quantified by the area of improved land.

An increase in biomass could reduce ambient temperatures, but the scale would be localized and small overall. Thus, we scored this other benefit category as ‘potential.’

In instances where aesthetics are realized, business development can be quantified if enough information is available about the local characteristics of a green Infrastructure site (i.e., the proximity of the site to existing retail businesses).

Projects which provide pedestrian or bike access such as a green street or open space are assumed to provide quantifiable recreational benefits, such as additional miles of

walkable or livable streets. The amount of these benefits will depend on data on size of the local population, the area of the site, and site usage.

4.1.20 Green Infrastructure: Green Streets (Ref 20)

Due to the information available regarding bioretention and the size of implementation, it can be assumed green streets will have the same scoring as the green infrastructure projects. As the specific strategies vary by watershed, a high level summary is provided. Several BMPs involve increasing the total area (acres) of green streets on specific avenues or subwatersheds.

4.1.21 Multiuse Treatment Areas: Infiltration and Detention Basins (Ref 21)

This section describes the process for scoring the structural strategies consisting of infiltration and detention basins.

It is assumed that the strategies for both golf courses involve similar wetland system projects, which are assumed to increase total biomass and provide entrainment and sequestration. If the total biomass change can be quantified, air and climate benefits can be measured and monetized.

While underground systems will be able to provide flood risk reduction, which in turn protects local habitats and ecological systems, any benefit categories that depend on changes in the above ground environment (such as habitat benefits) will not be affected, and are indicated as 'Not Applicable.' Projects that occur on public land, such as schools, provide the opportunity for educating the public or students about the strategy, and can be quantified by the number of people who learn about the strategy. These benefits depend on the number of students enrolled at the school, or the population of a neighboring community where public outreach about the project occurs.

Where instances of irrigation cost savings are thought to occur, emission savings could occur, but more information would be needed about these projects to determine the extent to which irrigation cost savings are realized.

As the specific strategies vary by watershed, a high level summary is provided. Several BMPs involve the installation of a subsurface detention galley on public parcels. Other options include dry detention systems, sediment basins, infiltration basins, and hyrdomodification BMPs.

4.1.22 Multiuse Treatment Areas: Stream, Channel and Habitat Rehabilitation Projects (Ref 22)

As these strategies target streams and other ecological areas, it is assumed habitats and aesthetics will improve, and can be measured using the area of the project. This strategy is assumed to be similar to the MS4 and Retrofit and Rehabilitation in Areas of Existing Development strategies.

As the specific strategies vary by watershed, a high level summary is provided. Several BMPs involve either wetlands or the Chollas Creek.

4.1.23 Water Quality Improvement BMPs: Proprietary BMPs (Ref 23)

Due to the nature of these projects, a basic assumption is the projects will improve water flow, and flood control and habitat benefits can occur. However, no other benefit categories can reasonably be expected to be impacted until more specific details about the sites and projects are known.

As the specific strategies vary by watershed, a high level summary is provided. Several BMPs involve drainage inserts on public parcels. Others involve hydrodynamic separation systems, dry-weather, or low flow diversions. Some are broader in nature, and provide direction on implementing a certain amount of acres of multiuse treatment area projects on private parcels and/or through public-private partnerships with various total storage sizes.

4.2 Optional Jurisdictional Strategies

This section provides a discussion of the methodology for assigning scoring categories to the Optional Jurisdictional Strategies, as well as sub-categories. Optional strategies are those strategies that may be triggered in the future to achieve the interim and final numeric goals." Many of these strategies are assumed to have a similar outcome and thus a similar other benefit category scoring as their Jurisdictional counterpart. The scores take into account the *potential* benefits that may occur, given the information available, and assumptions that are listed in each strategy. The scoring for these strategies is presented in Section 5, in Table 3 and Table 7. These strategies represent the latest consideration in an evolving process of identification, specification and assessment. Not all strategies have been implemented or have plans for immediate implementation. At the same time, the specification of the design standards also varies from strategy to strategy.

This list of individual strategies has been grouped according to the same categories that are contained in the Water Quality Improvement Plan and are presented in the same chronological order. The information found in the parenthesis next to the strategy group name (*Ref X*), refers to the number in the far left columns of Table 3 and Table 7.

4.2.1 Additional Nonstructural Strategies (Ref 24)

Many of these strategies are studies, which until they are completed, and the recommendations are implemented, cannot produce any benefits other than public education at the moment. Additionally, initiatives that involve participating or collaborating with other agencies or organizations are not applicable to other benefit categories at this time. The removal of invasive plants should protect existing habitats.

Additonal Nonstructural Strategies include:

Project	Location
Conduct Sustainable Return on Investment (SROI) analysis to estimate strategies' co-benefits and impacts to the public and the private sector on a common scale.	City-wide
Collaborate with the County, if a County-led regional social services effort is established, to provide sanitation and trash management for person experiencing homelessness and determine if the program is suitable and appropriate for jurisdictional needs to meet goals.	City-wide
Identify strategy resources and funding to support mapping and assessment of agricultural operations.	SDG above Lake Hodges
Coordinate with County of San Diego and identify resources and funding to implement a program to target on-site wastewater treatment (septic) systems. May include mapping and risk assessment, inspection, or maintenance practices.	SDG
Participate in an assessment to determine if implementation of an urban tree canopy (UTC) program would benefit water quality and other City goals.	City-wide
Conduct a feasibility study to test Permeable Friction Course (PFC), porous asphalt that overlays impermeable asphalt.	City-wide
As opportunities arise and funding sources are identified, protect areas that are functioning naturally by avoiding impervious development and degradation on unpaved open space areas, creating permanent open space protections on undeveloped city-owned land, and accepting privately-owned undeveloped open areas.	City-wide MB-Rose Canyon
Add permanent open spaces protections to underdeveloped city-owned land in and on the rim of Rose canyon and San Clemente Canyon.	MB, Rose Canyon
Forming a linear “park” from the southern end of Marian Bear Natural Park to the mouth of Rose Creek.	MB, Rose Canyon
Lake Hodges Natural Treatment System Project	SDG: Lake Hodges
If a regional collaboration is established for the Los Peñasquitos Lagoon, participate in restorative efforts in collaboration with TMDL Responsible Parties and TMDL responsible parties and other stakeholders.	Los Peñasquitos Lagoon Subwatershed
Participate in a watershed council or group and support the establishment of a watershed coordinator if one is established.	City-wide
Participate in a watershed council or group and support the establishment of a watershed coordinator if one is established. Includes participation in Rose Creek Watershed Team.	MB, Rose Canyon
Removal of invasive plants.	MB, Rose Canyon

4.2.2 Green Infrastructure – Optional Jurisdictional Strategies (Ref 25)

These strategies follow the same scoring as Jurisdictional Green Infrastructure projects. Under certain circumstances, these Green Infrastructure Strategies could be implemented.

4.2.3 Green Infrastructure: Green Streets – Optional Jurisdictional Strategies (Ref 26)

This strategy follows the same scoring as Jurisdictional Green Streets projects. Green Streets Strategies could be implemented if:

- ❖ If interim load reduction goals are not met and additional green infrastructure is required, the additional acreage of bioretention and permeable pavement can be implemented through green streets if potential opportunities for green infrastructure implementation on public parcels are not available.

4.2.4 Multiuse Treatment Areas: Infiltration and Detention Basins – Optional Jurisdictional Strategies (Ref 27)

These strategies follow the same scoring as Jurisdictional Multiuse Treatment Areas: Infiltration and Detention Basins projects.

4.2.5 Multiuse Treatment Areas: Stream, Channel, and Habitat Rehabilitation Projects – Optional Jurisdictional Strategies (Ref 28)

These strategies follow the same scoring as Jurisdictional Multiuse Treatment Areas: Stream, Channel, and Habitat Rehabilitation projects. List of Stream, Channel, and Habitat Rehabilitation Project includes:

- ❖ If interim load reduction goals are not met and additional stream, channel, and habitat rehabilitation projects are required, implement as needed.
- ❖ Day lighting Cudahy Creek implementation.
- ❖ An example of this would be to lengthen the Genesee Avenue Bridge in Rose Canyon in order to eliminate the berm that bisects the riparian corridor. This would restore the natural riparian corridor and promote wildlife and recreational passage under Genesee.

4.2.6 Multiuse Treatment Areas: Other Opportunities – Optional Jurisdictional Strategies (Ref 29)

This strategy follows the same scoring as Jurisdictional Multiuse Treatment Areas: Other Opportunities projects. Other Opportunity Strategy is defined as:

- ❖ If interim load reduction goals are not met and additional multiuse treatment area projects are required, implement, as needed, on private parcels and/or through public-private partnerships.

4.2.7 Water Quality Improvement BMPs: Trash Segregation – Optional Jurisdictional Strategies (Ref 30)

These projects specifically target street litter or debris, and are assumed to create an aesthetic improvement, and can be quantified with estimates on the volume of litter removed. Depending on the local land-use for the streets targeted, business development could potentially increase. Jobs can also be supported by the money spent on operation and maintenance activities. Trash Segregation Strategies would be implemented under conditions defined as:

- ❖ If interim load reduction goals are not met and additional trash segregation projects are required, implement as needed.
- ❖ If interim load reduction goals are not met and additional proprietary projects are required, implement as needed.
- ❖ If interim load reduction goals are not met and additional dry weather flow separation and treatment projects are required, implement as needed.

5 Results of Assessment

An overview of all the strategies, with the number of benefits, by benefit level, shown in descending order is presented in Table 2 and Table 3. Additionally, the total point value across the other benefit categories is presented in the far right column, with the header 'Total Point Value.' For example, green infrastructure has the greatest benefit score for both the jurisdictional and optional jurisdictional strategies. It is located at the top of Table 2, with a 'Total Point Value' of 7.3. This is calculated by:

- ❖ Multiplying the number of monetizable benefits (2), by their benefit scoring value (1);
- ❖ Multiplying the number of measurable benefits (3), by their benefit scoring value (0.667),
- ❖ Multiplying the number of potential benefits (10), by their benefit scoring value (0.333),
- ❖ Multiplying the number of not applicable benefits (0), by their benefit scoring value (0),
- ❖ Adding the subtotals together results in a total score of $(2 + 2 + 3.3 + 0 = 7.3)$.

A detailed summary of the potential level of impact for each strategy and benefit category is presented in Table 6 and Table 7. For convenience, the number in the far left column, with the header 'Ref,' corresponds to the number next to the strategy group descriptions in the previous sections, and is consistent across all tables. Using Green Infrastructure as an example, the number in the first column of Table 2, (19) can be found in Table 6, and corresponds to the discussion of green infrastructure in the previous section, *Green Infrastructure (Ref 19)*

Table 2: Overview of Jurisdictional Strategies in Descending Order

Ref. 1	Description of Strategy Group	Category	Strategy Outcome	Monetizable	Measurable	Potential	Not Applicable	Total Point Value	Number of Applicable Benefits
19	Green Infrastructure	Structural	Green Infrastructure	2	3	10	0	7.33	15
20	Green Streets	Structural	Green Infrastructure	2	3	10	0	7.33	15
5	Commercial, Industrial, Municipal, and Residential Facilities and Areas[2]	Non-Structural	Initiatives to Change Behavior	0	5	6	4	5.33	11
21	Multiuse Treatment Areas - Infiltration and Detention Basins	Structural	Multiuse Treatment Areas	2	1	6	6	4.67	9
1	All Development Projects	Non-Structural	Initiatives to Reduce Pollutants Directly	0	0	14	1	4.67	14
2	Priority Development Projects (PDPs)	Non-Structural	Increase # Of Structural Systems	0	0	14	1	4.67	14
3	Construction Management	Non-Structural	Improve Structural Systems Performance	0	0	14	1	4.67	14
4	Commercial, Industrial, Municipal, and Residential Facilities and Areas[1]	Non-Structural	Improve Structural Systems Performance	0	0	14	1	4.67	14
9	Retrofit and Rehabilitation in Areas of Existing Development - Structures	Non-Structural	Increase # Of Structural Systems	0	0	14	1	4.67	14

Table 2: Overview of Jurisdictional Strategies in Descending Order (continued)

Ref. 1	Description of Strategy Group	Category	Strategy Outcome	Monetizable	Measurable	Potential	Not Applicable	Total Point Value	Number of Applicable Benefits
13	Public Education and Participation: Reduce Pollutants Directly	Non-Structural	Initiatives to Reduce Pollutants Directly	0	0	14	1	4.67	14
15	Enforcement Response Plan: Improve Structural Systems Performance	Non-Structural	Improve Structural Systems Performance	0	0	14	1	4.67	14
22	Multiuse Treatment Areas - Stream, Channel and Habitat Rehabilitation Projects	Structural	Multiuse Treatment Areas	0	2	8	5	4.00	10
14	Enforcement Response Plan: Initiatives to Change Behavior	Non-Structural	Initiatives to Change Behavior	0	1	6	8	2.67	7
10	Retrofit and Rehabilitation in Areas of Existing Development	Non-Structural	Improve Structural Systems Performance	0	2	3	10	2.33	5
16	Enforcement Response Plan: Initiatives to Reduce Pollutants Directly	Non-Structural	Initiatives to Reduce Pollutants Directly	0	2	3	10	2.33	4
12	Public Education and Participation: Initiatives to Change Behavior	Non-Structural	Initiatives to Change Behavior	0	1	4	10	2.00	4
11	Illicit Discharge, Detection, and Elimination (IDDE) Program	Non-Structural	Initiatives to Change Behavior	0	1	3	11	1.67	4
7	Roads, Street, and Parking Lots - Cleaning Maintaining, etc	Non-Structural	Improve Structural Systems Performance	0	1	2	12	1.33	3

Table 2: Overview of Jurisdictional Strategies in Descending Order (continued)

Ref. 1	Description of Strategy Group	Category	Strategy Outcome	Monetizable	Measurable	Potential	Not Applicable	Total Point Value	Number of Applicable Benefits
8	Pesticide, Herbicides, and Fertilizer BMP Program	Non-Structural	Initiatives to Reduce Pollutants Directly	0	1	2	12	1.33	3
6	MS4 Infrastructure	Non-Structural	Improve Structural Systems Performance	0	0	3	12	1.00	3
18	Additional Nonstructural Strategies: Improve Structural Systems Performance	Non-Structural	Improve Structural Systems Performance	0	0	3	12	1.00	3
17	Additional Nonstructural Strategies: Initiatives to Reduce Pollutants Directly	Non-Structural	Initiatives to Reduce Pollutants Directly	0	0	2	13	0.67	2
23	Water Quality Improvement BMPs - Proprietary BMPs	Structural	Water Quality Improvement	0	0	2	13	0.67	2

1. The reference number refers to strategy groups presented in pages 9-28.

Table 3: Overview of Optional Jurisdictional Strategies by Descending Order

Ref. ¹	Description of Strategy Group	Category	Strategy Outcome	Monetizable	Measurable	Potential	Not Applicable	Total Point Value	Number of Applicable
25	Green Infrastructure – Optional Strategies	Structural	Green Infrastructure	2	3	10	0	7.33	15
26	Green Streets – Optional Strategies	Structural	Green Infrastructure	2	3	10	0	7.33	15
27	Multiuse Treatment Areas- Infiltration and Detention Basins – Optional Strategies	Structural	Multiuse Treatment Areas	2	1	6	6	4.67	9
28	Multiuse Treatment Areas-Stream, Channel and Habitat Rehabilitation Projects – Optional Jurisdictional Strategies	Structural	Multiuse Treatment Areas	0	2	8	5	4.00	9
29	Multiuse Treatment Areas- Other Opportunities – Optional Strategies	Structural	Multiuse Treatment Areas	0	1	8	6	3.33	9
30	Water Quality Improvement BMPs- Trash Segregation – Optional Strategies	Structural	Water Quality Improvement	0	0	3	12	1.00	2
24	Additional Nonstructural Strategies – Optional Jurisdictional Strategies	Non-Structural	Initiatives to Reduce Pollutants Directly	0	0	2	13	0.67	2

1. The reference number refers to strategy groups presented in pages 9-29.

In Table 6 and Table 7, a detailed summary of the potential level of impact for each strategy and benefit category is presented. For these tables, a key to symbols and point value is presented for each level of impact in Table 4. In some cases, the strategy group includes individual strategies that are classified by different types of strategy outcomes. Table 5 shows the numerical key used in Table 6 and Table 7. To make the evaluation process more transparent, a discussion about the assumptions and rationale for the assignment of a benefit category level to a specific strategy is briefly discussed for each type of Water Quality Improvement Plan strategy following the summary tables. The reference for the discussion below for each strategy is listed in column 1 of Table 6 and Table 7. In addition to presenting point values, the total number of potentially applicable benefits is also shown.

Table 4: Key to Symbols

Symbol	Level of Impact	Point Value
●	Monetizable	1
◐	Measurable	0.67
○	Potential	0.33
⊗	Not Applicable	0

Table 5 provides a key to the number in the column with the header ‘Strategy Outcome.’ For example, the first strategy group listed, All Development Projects, has the number 6 in the ‘Strategy Outcome’ column. The number 6 in Table 5 indicates that All Development Projects are Nonstructural Strategies comprised of Initiatives to Reduce Pollutants Directly.

Table 5: Key to Strategy Outcome

ID	Category of Strategy	Type of Strategy Outcome
1	Structural	Green Infrastructure
2	Structural	Multi Use Treatment
3	Structural	Water Quality Improvement
4	Nonstructural	Improve Structural Systems Performance
5	Nonstructural	Increase the Number of Structural Systems
6	Nonstructural	Initiatives to Reduce Pollutants Directly
7	Nonstructural	Initiatives to Change Behavior

Table 6: Overview of Potential Other Benefits of Water Quality Improvement Plan Jurisdictional Strategies

Ref ¹	Strategy Group	Strategy Outcome ²	Financial		Environmental						Social						Total Point Value	Number of Applicable Benefits	
			Water Cost Savings	Energy Cost Savings	Flood Risk Reduction	Air Particulate Entrainment	Climate Impacts	Habitat Related Benefits	Air Quality Emission Reduction	GHG Emission Reduction	Property Value Enhancement	Recreational Benefits	Business Development & Jobs	Crime Reduction	Public Education/ Environmental Stewardship	Noise Reduction			Heat Island Effect
1	All Development Projects	4	○ [0.33]	○ [0.33]	○ [0.33] J	○ [0.33]	○ [0.33]	⊗ [0]	○ [0.33]	○ [0.33]	○ [0.33]	○ [0.33]	○ [0.33]	○ [0.33]	○ [0.33]	○ [0.33]	○ [0.33]	4.7	14
2	Priority Development Projects (PDPs)	5	○ [0.33]	○ [0.33]	○ [0.33] J	○ [0.33]	○ [0.33]	⊗ [0]	○ [0.33]	○ [0.33]	○ [0.33]	○ [0.33]	○ [0.33]	○ [0.33]	○ [0.33]	○ [0.33]	○ [0.33]	4.7	14
3	Construction Management	4	○ [0.33]	○ [0.33]	○ [0.33] J	○ [0.33]	○ [0.33]	⊗ [0]	○ [0.33]	○ [0.33]	○ [0.33]	○ [0.33]	○ [0.33]	○ [0.33]	○ [0.33]	○ [0.33]	○ [0.33]	4.7	14
4	Commercial, Industrial, Municipal, and Residential Facilities and Areas	4	○ [0.33]	○ [0.33]	○ [0.33] J	○ [0.33]	○ [0.33]	⊗ [0]	○ [0.33]	○ [0.33]	○ [0.33]	○ [0.33]	○ [0.33]	○ [0.33]	○ [0.33]	○ [0.33]	○ [0.33]	4.7	14

**Table 6: Overview of Potential Other Benefits of Water Quality Improvement Plan Jurisdictional Strategies
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Ref	Strategy Group	Strategy Outcome?	Financial		Environmental						Social						Total Point Value	Number of Applicable Benefits
			Water Cost Savings	Energy Cost Savings	Flood Risk Reduction	Air Particulate Entrainment	Climate Impacts	Habitat Related Benefits	Air Quality Emission Reduction	GHG Emission Reduction	Property Value Enhancement	Recreational Benefits	Business Development & Jobs	Crime Reduction	Public Education/Environmental Stewardship	Noise Reduction		
5	Commercial, Industrial, Municipal, and Residential Facilities and Areas	7	● [0.67]	● [0.67]	○ [0.33]	○ [0.33]	○ [0.33]	○ [0]	● [0.67]	● [0.67]	○ [0.33]	○ [0.33]	○ [0]	○ [0.33]	○ [0]	○ [0.33]	5.3	11
6	MS4 Infrastructure	4	⊗ [0]	⊗ [0]	○ [0.33]	○ [0.33]	○ [0]	○ [0.33]	⊗ [0]	⊗ [0]	○ [0.33]	○ [0]	⊗ [0]	⊗ [0]	⊗ [0]	⊗ [0]	1.0	3
7	Roads, Street, and Parking Lots	4	⊗ [0]	⊗ [0]	⊗ [0]	⊗ [0]	○ [0.33]	⊗ [0]	⊗ [0]	⊗ [0]	● [0.67]	○ [0.33]	⊗ [0]	⊗ [0]	⊗ [0]	⊗ [0]	1.3	3
8	Pesticide, Herbicides, and Fertilizer BMP Program	6	⊗ [0]	⊗ [0]	⊗ [0]	⊗ [0]	○ [0.33]	⊗ [0]	⊗ [0]	⊗ [0]	○ [0.33]	○ [0.33]	⊗ [0]	● [0.67]	⊗ [0]	⊗ [0]	1.3	3

**Table 6: Overview of Potential Other Benefits of Water Quality Improvement Plan Jurisdictional Strategies
(continued)**

Ref	Strategy Group	Strategy Outcome2	Financial		Environmental						Social						Total Point Value	Number of Applicable Benefits
			Water Cost Savings	Energy Cost Savings	Flood Risk Reduction	Air Particulate Entrainment	Climate Impacts	Habitat Related Benefits	Air Quality Emission Reduction	GHG Emission Reduction	Property Value Enhancement	Recreational Benefits	Business Development & Jobs	Crime Reduction	Public Education/Environmental Stewardship	Noise Reduction		
9	Retrofit and Rehabilitation in Areas of Existing Development - Improve Structural Systems Performance	5	○ [0.33]	○ [0.33]	○ [0.33]	⊗ [0]	○ [0.33]	○ [0.33]	○ [0.33]	○ [0.33]	○ [0.33]	○ [0.33]	○ [0.33]	○ [0.33]	○ [0.33]	○ [0.33]	4.7	14
10	Retrofit and Rehabilitation in Areas of Existing Development - Increase the Number of Structural Systems	4	⊗ [0]	⊗ [0]	○ [0.33]	● [0.67]	⊗ [0]	⊗ [0]	⊗ [0]	● [0.67]	○ [0.33]	⊗ [0]	⊗ [0]	○ [0.33]	⊗ [0]	⊗ [0]	2.3	5

**Table 6: Overview of Potential Other Benefits of Water Quality Improvement Plan Jurisdictional Strategies
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Ref	Strategy Group	Strategy Outcome	Financial		Environmental						Social						Total Point Value	Number of Applicable Benefits
			Water Cost Savings	Energy Cost Savings	Flood Risk Reduction	Air Particulate Entrainment	Climate Impacts	Habitat Related Benefits	Air Quality Emission Reduction	GHG Emission Reduction	Property Value Enhancement	Recreational Benefits	Business Development & Jobs	Crime Reduction	Public Education/Environmental Stewardship	Noise Reduction		
11	Illicit Discharge, Detection, and Elimination (IDDE) Program	7	⊗ [0]	⊗ [0]	⊗ [0]	⊗ [0]	○ [0.33]	⊗ [0]	⊗ [0]	○ [0.33]	⊗ [0]	○ [0.33]	⊗ [0]	● [0.67]	⊗ [0]	⊗ [0]	4	
12	Public Education and Participation: Initiatives to Change Behavior	7	○ [0.33]	⊗ [0]	⊗ [0]	⊗ [0]	⊗ [0]	⊗ [0]	⊗ [0]	○ [0.33]	⊗ [0]	○ [0.33]	⊗ [0]	● [0.67]	⊗ [0]	⊗ [0]	2.0	4

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Ref	Strategy Group	Strategy Outcome?	Financial		Environmental						Social							Total Point Value	Number of Applicable Benefits
			Water Cost Savings	Energy Cost Savings	Flood Risk Reduction	Air Particulate Entrainment	Climate Impacts	Habitat Related Benefits	Air Quality Emission Reduction	GHG Emission Reduction	Property Value Enhancement	Recreational Benefits	Business Development & Jobs	Crime Reduction	Public Education/Environmental Stewardship	Noise Reduction	Heat Island Effect		
13	Public Education and Participation: Initiatives to Reduce Pollutants Directly	6	○ [0.33]	○ [0.33]	○ [0.33] _J	○ [0.33]	⊗ [0]	○ [0.33]	○ [0.33]	○ [0.33]	○ [0.33]	○ [0.33]	○ [0.33]	○ [0.33]	○ [0.33]	○ [0.33]	○ [0.33]	4.7	14
14	Enforcement Response Plan: Initiatives to Change Behavior	7	○ [0.33]	⊗ [0]	⊗ [0]	⊗ [0]	○ [0.33]	○ [0.33]	○ [0.33]	○ [0.33]	○ [0.33]	○ [0.33]	⊗ [0]	● [0.67]	⊗ [0]	⊗ [0]	⊗ [0]	2.7	9
15	Enforcement Response Plan: Improve Structural Systems Performance	4	○ [0.33]	○ [0.33]	○ [0.33] _J	○ [0.33]	⊗ [0]	○ [0.33]	○ [0.33]	○ [0.33]	○ [0.33]	○ [0.33]	○ [0.33]	○ [0.33]	○ [0.33]	○ [0.33]	○ [0.33]	4.7	14

**Table 6: Overview of Potential Other Benefits of Water Quality Improvement Plan Jurisdictional Strategies
(continued)**

Ref	Strategy Group	Strategy Outcome?	Financial		Environmental						Social						Total Point Value	Number of Applicable Benefits
			Water Cost Savings	Energy Cost Savings	Flood Risk Reduction	Air Particulate Entrainment	Climate Impacts	Habitat Related Benefits	Air Quality Emission Reduction	GHG Emission Reduction	Property Value Enhancement	Recreational Benefits	Business Development & Jobs	Crime Reduction	Public Education/Environmental Stewardship	Noise Reduction		
16	Enforcement Response Plan: Initiatives to Reduce Pollutants Directly	6	○ [0.33]	⊗ [0]	⊗ [0]	⊗ [0]	⊗ [0]	○ [0.33]	⊗ [0]	⊗ [0]	⊗ [0]	○ [0.33]	⊗ [0]	● [0.67]	⊗ [0]	⊗ [0]	2.3	4
17	Additional Nonstructural Strategies: Initiatives to Reduce Pollutants Directly	6	⊗ [0]	⊗ [0]	⊗ [0]	⊗ [0]	⊗ [0]	○ [0.33]	⊗ [0]	⊗ [0]	⊗ [0]	⊗ [0]	⊗ [0]	○ [0.33]	⊗ [0]	⊗ [0]	0.7	2

**Table 6: Overview of Potential Other Benefits of Water Quality Improvement Plan Jurisdictional Strategies
(continued)**

Ref	Strategy Group	Strategy Outcome?	Financial		Environmental						Social						Total Point Value	Number of Applicable Benefits
			Water Cost Savings	Energy Cost Savings	Flood Risk Reduction	Air Particulate Entrainment	Climate Impacts	Habitat Related Benefits	Air Quality Emission Reduction	GHG Emission Reduction	Property Value Enhancement	Recreational Benefits	Business Development & Jobs	Crime Reduction	Public Education/Environmental Stewardship	Noise Reduction		
18	Additional Nonstructural Strategies: Improve Structural Systems Performance	4	⊗ [0]	⊗ [0]	○ [0.33] _J	⊗ [0]	○ [0.33]	⊗ [0]	○ [0.33]	⊗ [0]	⊗ [0]	⊗ [0]	⊗ [0]	○ [0.33]	⊗ [0]	⊗ [0]	3	
19	Green Infrastructure	1	○ [0.33]	○ [0.33]	● [0.67] _J	● [1]	○ [0.33]	○ [0.33]	○ [0.33]	○ [0.33]	● [0.67]	○ [0.33]	○ [0.33]	○ [0.33]	○ [0.33]	○ [0.33]	15	
20	Green Streets	1	○ [0.33]	○ [0.33]	● [0.67] _J	● [1]	○ [0.33]	○ [0.33]	○ [0.33]	○ [0.33]	● [0.67]	○ [0.33]	○ [0.33]	○ [0.33]	○ [0.33]	○ [0.33]	15	

Table 6: Overview of Potential Other Benefits of Water Quality Improvement Plan Jurisdictional Strategies (continued)

Ref ¹	Strategy Group	Strategy Outcome ²	Financial		Environmental						Social						Total Point Value	Number of Applicable Benefits
			Water Cost Savings	Energy Cost Savings	Flood Risk Reduction	Air Particulate Entrainment	Climate Impacts	Habitat Related Benefits	Air Quality Emission Reduction	GHG Emission Reduction	Property Value Enhancement	Recreational Benefits	Business Development & Jobs	Crime Reduction	Public Education/ Environmental Stewardship	Noise Reduction		
21	Multiuse Treatment Areas - Infiltration and Detention Basins	2	○ [0.33]	○ [0.33]	○ [0.33] _J	● [1]	○ [0.33]	○ [0.33]	○ [0.33]	○ [0.33]	○ [0.33]	○ [0.33]	○ [0.67]	⊗ [0]	⊗ [0]	⊗ [0]	4.7	9
22	Multiuse Treatment Areas - Stream, Channel and Habitat Rehabilitation Projects	2	○ [0.33]	○ [0.33]	● [0.67] _J	○ [0.33]	○ [0.33]	○ [0.33]	○ [0.33]	○ [0.33]	○ [0.33]	○ [0.33]	● [0.67]	⊗ [0]	⊗ [0]	⊗ [0]	4.0	10
23	Water Quality Improvement BMPs	3	⊗ [0]	⊗ [0]	○ [0.33] _J	⊗ [0]	⊗ [0]	○ [0.33]	⊗ [0]	⊗ [0]	⊗ [0]	⊗ [0]	⊗ [0]	⊗ [0]	⊗ [0]	⊗ [0]	0.7	2

1. The reference number refers to strategy groups presented in pages 9-29.
2. Strategy Outcome as described in Table 5.

**Table 6: Overview of Potential Other Benefits of Water Quality Improvement Plan Jurisdictional Strategies
(continued)**

Table 7: Overview of Potential Other Benefits of Water Quality Improvement Plan - Optional Jurisdictional Strategies

Ref	Strategy Group	Strategy Outcome ²	Financial		Environmental					Social						Total Point Value	Number of Applicable Benefits	
			Water Cost Savings	Energy Cost Savings	Flood Risk Reduction	Air Particulate Entrainment	Climate Impacts	Habitat Related Benefits	Air Quality Emission Reduction	GHG Emission Reduction	Property Value Enhancement	Recreational Benefits	Business Development & Jobs	Crime Reduction	Public Education/ Environmental Stewardship			Noise Reduction
24	Additional Nonstructural Strategies	6	⊗ [0]	⊗ [0]	⊗ [0]	⊗ [0]	⊗ [0]	○ [0.33]	⊗ [0]	⊗ [0]	⊗ [0]	⊗ [0]	⊗ [0]	○ [0.33]	⊗ [0]	⊗ [0]	0.7	2
25	Green Infrastructure	1	○ [0.33]	○ [0.33]	● [0.67]	● [1]	○ [0.33]	○ [0.33]	○ [0.33]	○ [0.33]	● [0.67]	○ [0.33]	○ [0.33]	○ [0.33]	○ [0.33]	○ [0.33]	7.3	15
26	Green Streets	1	○ [0.33]	○ [0.33]	● [0.67]	● [1]	○ [0.33]	○ [0.33]	○ [0.33]	○ [0.33]	● [0.67]	○ [0.33]	○ [0.33]	○ [0.33]	○ [0.33]	○ [0.33]	7.3	15

Table 7: Overview of Potential Other Benefits of Water Quality Improvement Plan - Optional Jurisdictional Strategies (continued)

Ref ¹	Strategy Group	Strategy Outcome ²	Financial		Environmental						Social						Total Point Value	Number of Applicable Benefits	
			Water Cost Savings	Energy Cost Savings	Flood Risk Reduction	Air Particulate Entrainment	Climate Impacts	Habitat Related Benefits	Air Quality Emission Reduction	GHG Emission Reduction	Property Value Enhancement	Recreational Benefits	Business Development & Jobs	Crime Reduction	Public Education/ Environmental Stewardship	Noise Reduction			Heat Island Effect
27	Multiuse Treatment Areas - Infiltration and Detention Basins	2	○ [0.3 3]	○ [0.33 1]	○ [0.33]	● [1]	○ [0.33]	○ [0.33]	○ [0.33]	○ [0.33 1]	⊗ [0]	⊗ [0]	⊗ [0]	● [0.67]	⊗ [0]	⊗ [0]	⊗ [0]	4.7	9
28	Multiuse Treatment Areas - Stream, Channel and Habitat Rehabilitation Projects	2	○ [0.3 3]	○ [0.33 1]	● [0.67]	○ [0.33]	○ [0.3 3]	○ [0.33]	○ [0.33]	○ [0.33 1]	● [0.67 1]	⊗ [0]	⊗ [0]	○ [0.33]	⊗ [0]	⊗ [0]	⊗ [0]	4.0	9
29	Multiuse Treatment Areas - Other Opportunities	2	○ [0.3 3]	○ [0.33 1]	● [0.67]	○ [0.33]	○ [0.3 3]	○ [0.33]	○ [0.33]	○ [0.33 1]	⊗ [0]	⊗ [0]	⊗ [0]	○ [0.33]	⊗ [0]	⊗ [0]	⊗ [0]	3.3	9

Table 7: Overview of Potential Other Benefits of Water Quality Improvement Plan - Optional Jurisdictional Strategies (continued)

Ref ¹	Strategy Group	Strategy Outcome ²	Financial						Environmental						Social						Total Point Value	Number of Applicable Benefits
			Water Cost Savings	Energy Cost Savings	Flood Risk Reduction	Air Particulate Entrainment	Climate Impacts	Habitat Related Benefits	Air Quality Emission Reduction	GHG Emission Reduction	Property Value Enhancement	Recreational Benefits	Business Development & Jobs	Crime Reduction	Public Education/ Environmental Stewardship	Noise Reduction	Heat Island Effect					
30	Water Quality Improvement BMPs - Trash Segregation	3	⊗ [0]	⊗ [0]	○ [0.33]	⊗ [0]	⊗ [0]	○ [0.33]	⊗ [0]	⊗ [0]	○ [0.33]	⊗ [0]	⊗ [0]	⊗ [0]	⊗ [0]	⊗ [0]	⊗ [0]				1.0	2

1. The reference number refers to strategy groups presented in pages 9-29.

2. Strategy Outcome as described in Table 5.

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Appendix 1: Sustainable Return on Investment Assessment of Water Quality Improvement Strategies. Draft Report. June 2014

Note to reader: This appendix is a re-print of the Phase 1 Draft Report from this project. Some aspects of the strategies and framework differ from what is included in the main report. The literature review in the following Phase 1 report provides a foundation for all subsequent analysis.

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SUSTAINABLE RETURN ON INVESTMENT ASSESSMENT OF WATER QUALITY IMPROVEMENT STRATEGIES

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Executive Summary

The aim of this project is to help the City of San Diego Storm Water Division account for the costs and benefits of storm water management strategies. Benefits (sometimes called “co-benefits”) include a variety of outcomes beyond improved water quality that some storm water strategies may achieve. The Division has identified a range of structural best management practices (BMPs (e.g., a constructed runoff reduction system such as a bio-swale), and nonstructural BMP activities (i.e. programs that promote installations of constructed systems, or reduce pollutants directly through education and outreach, for example). The Division now seeks to incorporate information on benefits of strategies into a prioritization approach so that as the Division selects strategies to meet its regulatory requirements, it is generating the best value for the community and local businesses.

This report summarizes the findings of a literature review on storm water management benefits and costs and a programmatic assessment of the Division’s strategies and associated benefits. The purpose of the assessment is to determine which types of benefits, beyond water quality improvements, might arise from the Division’s different storm water management strategies and to determine if and how these benefits can be quantified, and included in a decision making framework.

Our findings in this report indicate that many types of benefits can accrue to local residents, businesses, and the general public. Common types of benefits that have been evaluated in a number of cities around the U.S. include flood risk reduction, reduced energy consumption (and associated air quality emissions), and improved aesthetics. Computing benefits of BMPs has been standardized to some extent in the Center for Neighborhood Technology (CNT) report which outlines the data and calculations for a number of benefits (CNT, 2010). For the Division, a similar calculation process could be implemented and it would be consistent with efforts implemented in other cities. However, a significant level of uncertainty would arise in preparing such estimates without specific data on BMP designs and activities for each strategy as well as site specific information about where they would be implemented.

The City developed several dozen storm water management strategies ranging from types of structural BMPs to projects designed to affect public or municipal employee polluting behavior. Some of the strategies listed are assessment projects that provide information necessary to make decisions or to implement a subsequent non-structural strategy. To initiate this study, we grouped the strategies into specific categories:

- Structural
 - o Green Infrastructure
 - o Multiuse Treatment Areas
 - o Water Quality Improvements

- Non Structural
 - o Results in increases in the number of structural systems
 - o Results in improved performance of existing structural systems
 - o Results in changes in behavior that reduced pollutant loads
 - o Results in direct removal of pollutants from watersheds

The next best evaluation strategy for the Division at present would entail a simplified assessment of the likely *existence* of quantifiable net benefits for each strategy. In this report, we have evaluated the degree to which benefits can be quantified (and potentially monetized) for each type of strategy. A net result of benefits exceeding negative attributes has been qualitatively assessed based on findings in the literature. This is not to say that the benefit would be greater than implementation costs, but that co-benefits would likely exceed negative impacts to the community of implementing the strategy.

The results of this assessment are shown in Table 1. A “Yes” in one of the table cells indicates that there would be sufficient evidence to quantifiably determine the value of a strategy, provided that information about the strategy and implementation location is better understood. In this high-level summary, it may be assumed that if a quantifiable benefit exists, they would be large enough to generate observable public value and influence decisions accordingly.

These initial findings however must be developed in more detail to provide practical use in prioritizing strategies for the Division. In particular, the feasibility of estimating benefits must be assessed for each individually identified strategy (see Appendix 2), not its strategy group as shown in Table 1. With this information, the Division can establish an initial indication of specific strategies that provide the best value. This effort is planned for phase two of this project.

Table 1: Summary of Evidence for Estimating Benefits for Structural and Nonstructural Strategies

Strategy	Structural			Nonstructural			
	Green Infrastructure	Multitreatment Areas	Water Quality Improvement	Increase # Of Structural Systems	Improve Structural Systems Performance	Initiatives To Change Behavior	Initiatives To Reduce Pollutants Directly
Flood Control	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	
Irrigation Cost Savings	YES			YES	YES	YES	
Energy Cost Savings	YES			YES		YES	YES
Air Particulate Entrapment	YES			YES		YES	YES
Climate Impacts	YES			YES		YES	YES
Habitat Related Benefits							
Air Quality Emission Reduction	YES			YES		YES	YES
GHG Emission Reduction	YES			YES		YES	YES
Heat Island Effect	YES	YES		YES	YES	YES	
Aesthetics	YES	YES		YES	YES	YES	YES
Recreational Benefits	YES	YES		YES	YES	YES	YES
Noise Reduction							
Business Development & Jobs	YES			YES	YES	YES	YES

Crime Reduction	
Public Education/ Environmental Stewardship	

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Acronyms

BCA – Benefit Cost Analysis
BES – Bureau of Environmental Services
BMP – Best Management Practice
Btu – British Thermal Unit

CAMX - California-Mexico Power Area
CEA – Cost-Effectiveness Analysis
CLRP – Comprehensive Load Reduction Plans
CNT – Center for Neighborhood Technology
CO₂ – Carbon Dioxide
CSO – Combined Sewer Overflow

DOT – Department of Transportation

EIA – Economic Impact Analysis
EPA –Environmental Protection Agency

IDDE – Illicit Discharge, Detection, and Elimination

kWh – Kilowatt Hour

LACDPW – Los Angeles County Department of Public Works
LID – Low Impact Development

MMSD – Milwaukee Metropolitan Sewage District

MODA – Multi-Objective Decision Analysis
M Wh – Mega Watt Hour

NRDC – Natural Resources Defense Council

NO_x - Nitric oxide and nitrogen dioxide

NPV – Net Present Value

O₃ – Oxide

PFC – Permeable Friction Course

PM – Particulate Matter

PWD – Philadelphia Water District

SO₂ – Sulfur Dioxide

SPU – Seattle Public Utilities

SROI – Sustainable Return on Investment

TBL – Triple Bottom Line

TIGER – Transportation Investment Generating Economic Recovery

TMDL – Total Maximum Daily Load

UTC – Urban Tree Canopy

WAMP – Watershed Asset Management Plan

WERF – Water Environment Research Foundation

WQIP – Water Quality Improvement Plan

1 Introduction

The City of San Diego Storm Water Division (Division) seeks a framework for prioritizing storm water management strategies that have been identified as part of the Water Quality Improvement Plans for each watershed. These strategies include a range of best management practices (BMPs) in structural systems (i.e., a constructed runoff reduction system, such as a bio-swale), and nonstructural activities (i.e. programs that promote installations of constructed systems, or reduce pollutants directly through education and outreach, for example). Each of the identified strategies is intended to contribute to meeting Total Maximum Daily Load (TMDL) regulatory requirements.

At the same time, each strategy can also provide *additional* benefits (sometimes called “Co-benefits”) to the community. Depending on the type of strategy, such benefits can include flood risk reduction, reduced energy consumption and associated air quality emissions, improved aesthetics and habitat creation. Of course, not all BMPs generate positive benefits – property damage can occur if infiltration systems are poorly performing or additional street sweeping miles would increase air pollution costs.³ Whatever the case, accounting for such benefits is challenging because each one is measured in different units and data is rarely available to quantify existing conditions and predicting changed conditions. Even so, estimating benefits can contribute to decision making. WERF (2014) notes that while a number of studies have shown storm water BMPs to be cost-effective and efficient at achieving water quality goals, traditional engineering costing methods fail to adequately value the multiple benefits and improved life-cycle costs that storm water BMPs provide.

The Division has contracted HDR to apply its *Sustainable Return on Investment (SROI)* process to develop a sound prioritization framework that accounts for storm water management benefits. SROI is an economics-based approach to evaluating and communicating the economic benefits and expenditure-based impacts across a *triple bottom line* – the financial, environmental and societal outcomes of a project. The process includes: (a) transparent review of evidence; (b) economic framework for evaluation; (c) workshop-based discussion of evidence; and (d) accounting for risk and uncertainty in key drivers of outcomes. SROI is a proven process, having been implemented in billions of dollars in capital projects over the last 8 years. In this project, we apply SROI to evaluate key economic benefits and use this to develop a sound framework for prioritizing strategies.

This document discusses our initial tasks in this effort. We report on findings from a literature review for substantiating the existence of such benefits, and an evaluation of strategies, to assess how different benefit categories may apply. We also discuss an initial assessment of the applicability of different types of benefits for individual BMP strategies. In addition, we report on an introductory workshop with stakeholders on the concept of storm water management benefits and frameworks to include estimated benefits in

³ To make the discussion more concise, “Benefits” refer to both positive and negative outcomes.

decision making. In addition, this phase will also determine the methods to account for co-benefits in qualitative, quantitative or monetized metrics.

2 Literature Review on Storm water Management Benefits

Conceptual frameworks and empirical evidence on economic benefits of storm water management have been developed in a number of studies. This chapter characterizes this evidence to establish a foundation for understanding the types of benefits from storm water management that are included in project evaluations in a SROI process. The findings of this literature also indicate that the estimation of benefits beyond water quality improvements is an emerging field. The potential for life cycle cost savings of green infrastructure in suitable locations has been fairly well established. Yet, it has been more difficult to establish standards for estimating the benefits from other aspects of BMPs that affect environmental and societal outcomes. Significant uncertainties remain over the degree to which a BMP can generate tangible benefits. In most cases, benefits depend largely on the design and site conditions.

2.1 What are Economic Benefits and Impacts?

Economic benefits are the fundamental measure of a project's overall worth to society.⁴ Storm water management benefits,⁵ whether they relate to avoided flood damage, improved air quality, or energy cost savings are evaluated in the same theoretical framework. Economic researchers assess the value for products and services from data on people's expenditures and their preferences for goods that are not sold (e.g. air quality).⁶ Research can provide a basis for understanding how people value storm water benefits in terms of financial, environmental and societal benefits. Moreover, this evidence can support agency staff in developing strategies to manage environmental investments to maximize environmental benefits per dollar spent (WERF, 2014, Ecosystem Valuation, 2007).

A complementary measure of the worthiness of a project reflects the expenditures to build and maintain it. These expenditures and their connection to the broader economy are

⁴ Benefits are a somewhat esoteric theoretical economic construct of how people value a product or service. The benefit of a product or service is derived from the premise that some people gain greater *value* from the use of a product or service, especially its initial use, than the price they paid for it. For example, the first glass of water to a thirsty person would be much more highly valued and than the last one consumed, even if the price is the same for each glass. It is further assumed that they would be *willing to pay* some amount to gain that value from it, even if it is above the market price. The idea that a person's willingness to pay can be greater than a market price is a fundamental principal of the value gained by consumers.

⁵ In standard economic terminology, benefits can be *positive* or *negative* depending on whether they are desirable or undesirable. A negative storm water management benefit can arise if flood control measures that entail infiltration cause damage to neighboring properties.

⁶ Goods that are not sold in markets, such as the recreational value from natural areas, can be derived from the expenditures of persons who visit these areas, or the responses of people to responses to structured surveys which to determine a willingness to pay for the hypothetical avoidance of some undesirable impact to such areas.

defined as *economic impacts*. The expenditures on materials, labor, land, and monitoring over the project lifecycle are implementation costs that are measureable and tangible. Economic impacts of storm water management spending are straightforward to estimate since expenditures are readily estimable and the wider economic impacts can be assessed using economic impact multipliers. Results from economic impact analysis, such as the numbers of jobs created from storm water management strategies reflect the impact on the overall economy and can be estimated at the local, regional and even national levels.

2.2 What are the Key Economic Benefits of Storm water Management?

A growing number of researchers have evaluated the economic benefits and impacts of storm water BMPs in addition to cost savings (See: EPA, 2013; WERF, 2014; and CNT, 2010). Some of the most commonly cited benefits stem from the functional ability of BMPs to reduce the risk of flood damage, costs of public infrastructure, and pollution and water treatment costs. EPA (2013) research on case studies of economic benefits of low impact development and green infrastructure revealed that a number of benefits can be characterized along the triple bottom line (Table 2).

Table 2: Examples of Potential Benefits from Green Infrastructure

Environmental benefits	Financial benefits	Societal benefits
Improved water quality	Reduced construction costs relative to grey infrastructure	Improved aesthetics
Improved air quality from trees	Reduced scale of grey infrastructure design	More urban greenways
Improved ground water recharge	–	Increase in public awareness of storm water management
Energy savings from reduced air conditioning	–	Reduced flash flooding
Reduced greenhouse gas emissions	–	Green jobs
Reduced urban heat stress	–	Increase in economic development from improved aesthetics
Reduced sewer overflow		

Source: EPA (2013)

Estimating benefits however can be challenging because of a lack of data on the physical changes and value of such changes. Data gaps can arise for either or both existing site conditions (prior to project implementation) or predicted changes in conditions (after implementation). In all cases, data must be collected at a specific site and project to develop credible benefit estimates. Where data gaps exist, analytical decisions can be made with respect to evaluating some types of benefits in qualitative terms (such as multi-objective decision analyses) or by quantifying uncertainty (using Monte Carlo simulation).

Several categories of benefits have been identified and described in published literature on storm water management benefits. This section reports on results from a literature review that focused on defining benefit categories and describing the conditions when it can arise. More detail on values and calculation methods are discussed in the Appendix 1. To facilitate the understanding of benefits, several groups of benefit categories are defined including: runoff retention/ detention, energy cost savings, air quality improvements, ecosystem services, and community livability. The categories of benefits in each of these groups are described below.

2.2.1 Runoff Retention/Detention Benefits

Several types of green infrastructure (e.g. green roofs, bio-retention, permeable pavement, rain barrels, etc.) are designed to detain, retain and/or infiltrate rain where it falls. Corresponding reductions in storm water runoff lower the total and peak volumes in the storm water system. Benefits of runoff retention / detention include a reduction in downstream flood risk to properties, and reduced irrigation costs for property owners, that is, if the retention systems can supplement irrigation needs. Another potential benefit includes any reduction in erosion in streams and corresponding habitat impacts, but this are rarely evaluated due to data limitations. The effectiveness of green infrastructure in reducing runoff and generating benefits is determined by several factors including local precipitation characteristics, design capacity and maintenance practices over its functional lifespan.

Flood Risk Reduction: Reduced runoff can reduce the frequency and severity of flooding in neighborhoods that are particularly susceptible to it. The effectiveness of green infrastructure on flooding depends on the design capacity and rainfall conditions, scale of implementation across a watershed, soil characteristics (for systems that facilitate infiltration), and watershed characteristics.⁷ In addition, if the storm sewers are connected to combined sewer systems, the reduced volume can generate operational cost savings at the wastewater treatment plant.⁸ The value of flood control is estimated as a reduction in property damage if flooding occurs.

Irrigation Cost Savings: On-site water retention in rain barrels or other similar systems can supplement irrigation needs in yards and gardens. Available captured water can generate an added benefit of reducing potable demand for irrigation and associated costs for owners. Key drivers of the life cycle cost savings for these systems include local rainfall characteristics (e.g. frequency and depth), storage capacity and water rates. The extent to which these systems can generate irrigation cost savings above installation costs (maintenance costs are often low), depends on the demand for irrigation and ability to meet this demand with stored water. For property owners, supplemental irrigation directly reduces the volumes demanded from public sources and its costs. From a utility and public perspective, reductions in water volumes

⁷ Kane County, IL and Lenexa, KS evaluated flood control benefits of future land development scenarios (EPA, 2013). However, because these benefits are site-specific, the results cannot be generalized to other sites.

⁸ Wastewater treatment operational cost savings, in the context of combined sewer systems, include reductions in: (a) treatment costs; (b) air pollution emissions; and (c) greenhouse gas emissions (CNT, 2010).

demand translate into lower levels of energy consumed for water treatment, which in turn reduces air contamination and greenhouse gas emissions (these benefits are discussed in Section 2.2.3).

2.2.2 Energy Cost Savings Benefits

Several aspects of green infrastructure can lower energy use and generate cost savings. For instance, green roofs and trees can change the gain or loss of energy in buildings, and in turn decrease costs for heating or cooling (NRDC, 2013).⁹ These benefits are influenced by several site and design factors and accrue directly to property owners.

Energy Cost Savings: Site-specific research has shown that the shade that trees provide adjacent buildings and the additional insulation of green roofs on buildings can lower the heating and cooling energy costs in buildings. Of course, the effectiveness of these BMPs in lowering energy use depends on many factors including the BMP design, type of plant material, building characteristics, and climate conditions (CNT, 2010). In addition, for trees, the benefits would not be realized for several years until they have reached a height and width that provides noticeable shading. In another example, green roofs and other storage systems have been installed at water utilities and have provided a supplemental water source that has reduced energy and operational costs for pumping (EPA, 2013).¹⁰ These cost savings would constitute a benefit directly for the utility, and by extension to its rate-payers.

2.2.3 Emissions Reduction Benefits

Generation of electricity is reduced when green infrastructure (e.g. green roofs or trees) reduces energy demand in buildings, or when water harvesting reduces energy demand at treatment plants. Reductions in electricity demand means that some amount of burning fossil fuels is avoided. As a result, there would be a reduction in the harmful emissions of criteria air contaminants (e.g. NO_x, SO_x, PM, etc.) and greenhouse gas emissions. The U.S. electrical grid enables energy to flow from a large interconnected network and makes it nearly impossible to link a specific source of generation with a particular use. Still, it is possible to generalize over the types of energy consumed in a State and to use this information to characterize how a reduction in energy consumption leads to a reduction in pollution. The benefit of emissions reduction is then estimated using established economic valuation standards.

⁹ These cost savings are additive to air pollution emissions savings from avoided energy generation (EPA, 2013).

¹⁰ The L.A. County Department of Public Works in its Sun Valley Watershed Management Plan accounted for decreased energy demand for pumping water because the harvested and infiltrated water provide supplemental supplies. (EPA, 2013)

Air Pollution Emission Reduction: The total amount of reduction in criteria air contaminant emissions from a power plant is directly tied to the reduction in energy use in a specific location. Energy savings are readily converted to its emission rate reductions by utilizing data from EPA and other public sources. The economic value of lower air pollutants is inferred from its impact on human health and lower medical costs. The reduction of each type of criteria air contaminant has a different economic benefit value per ton. Evidence of the conversion of a reduction in emissions to economic benefits relies on published economic research and from Federal regulatory rule-making, in which values are ultimately approved by the US Office of Management and Budget.¹¹

Greenhouse Gas Emission Reduction: Similar to criteria air contaminants, greenhouse gas emissions from energy generation also cause economic damages. The tons of greenhouse gas emissions are computed from the same data sources as criteria air contaminants. The value of lower greenhouse gas emissions is linked to a reduction in in long-term damage to the global economy. While the Federal government provides guidelines on the value per ton of greenhouse gas emission reduction, other agencies have used different values. For example, the Portland Bureau of monetized this reduction in carbon emissions due to cooling and heat savings in buildings with Ecoroofs (EPA, 2013).

2.2.4 Ecosystem Service Benefits

Green infrastructure such as green roofs, bio-swales and trees can also provide a number of additional environmental and ecosystem services. These include entrainment of air particulates, carbon sequestration and habitat creation. Each of these benefit categories is directly related to the plant material that is installed as part of the green infrastructure system. Accrual of benefits depends on a variety of design and site conditions though research is available to quantify some of the physical performance measures of green infrastructure. Estimation of economic benefits at a new site would in most cases require new research at that site since limited information has been broadly developed.

Air Particle Entrainment: Some green infrastructure systems have the ability to uptake pollutants directly from the environment, which reduces adverse human health impacts. The criteria air contaminant pollutants that can be entrained include nitrogen dioxide (NO₂), ozone (O₃), sulfur dioxide (SO₂) and particulate matter classifies as PM₁₀.¹² Key drivers of these benefits include the amount (in square footage, or number of trees) of green infrastructure, as well as the current levels of criteria pollutants, and size of the local population, especially those whose health is more vulnerable to environmental conditions. The quantified amount of pollutants

¹¹ Many economic values originally come from regulatory rule-making in which an economic analysis is reviewed and ultimately accepted by the Office of Management and Budget before the rule becomes a law.

¹² The Charlotte-Mecklenburg Storm Water Services, serving an area of 526 square miles, included these entrainment benefits when analyzing their reforestation in their LID/GI approach, as it is relatively inexpensive but offers large benefits in terms of air quality and storm water management, the county has simply committed to making reforestation a priority (EPA, 2103)

entrained can be monetized using the same economic values per ton that are applied in the air pollution emission reduction calculations.

Carbon Sequestration: Carbon sequestration is the process of storing carbon in biomass and soils as atmospheric carbon dioxide is taken up by trees, grasses, and other plants through photosynthesis. The amount that can be sequestered is dependent on the above ground biomass of the tree, green roof or bio-swale. Sequestration benefits only last as long as the plants or trees are alive and that they vary with the age of the vegetation. Carbon sequestration rates depend on the type of species and location where it is grown (Pepper, 2012). Carbon sequestration in green roofs can have high variability due to roof age and substrate depth.¹³ Other factors that affect carbon sequestration in green roofs are geographic region, plant species and roof management or maintenance (Getter, K. L. et al., 2009; Wise, S. et al., 2010; City of Portland BES, 2010; CNT, 2010). In addition, healthy and large trees can store about 1000 times more carbon than smaller trees and if those trees have a long lifespan they also tend to be the biggest contributor to carbon removal (Nowak, D. J. & Crane, D. E., 2001; Escobedo, et. al. 2012; McPherson, E. G. et al., 2007; CNT, 2010). The value of carbon sequestration is estimated with the same benefit parameters as with greenhouse gas emissions.

Habitat Related Benefits: Green roofs, rain gardens and other vegetated infiltration systems can improve the habitat for flora and fauna, such as bird and insect species. These different types of habitats are usually small in size and have limited impacts. But, it is conceivable that greater benefits may arise from large-scale strategies that are connected to habitat corridors. Limited research is available to directly assess the economic value of habitat creation. As a first step, a biological survey would be required to assess current conditions and to evaluate potential changes in flora and fauna habitat and other ecosystem services. Valuation of these changes though would remain difficult because of a lack of economic research on the benefits of small scale habitats. Potential proxy values may be drawn from wetland valuation research for some types of green infrastructure, but developing accurate estimates would be highly uncertain. Still, in some studies such as the benefit cost analysis in Ann Arbor, the value of habitat creation is estimated (ECONorthwest, 2011).

¹³ One study indicated that three roofs with similar substrate depth had increased carbon with age of the roof and vegetation. Data from another study showed green roofs stored, on average, between 60 to 240 grams of carbon per square meter in the aboveground plant and between 30 and 185 g C·m⁻² in belowground biomass.

2.2.5 Community Livability Benefits

A series of quantifiable and qualitative benefits also enhance the quality of life across a community. Emerging research on these benefits stems in part from the ways in which *social capital* forms and grows in a community. For example, the Portland Bureau of Environmental Services writes “social capital is the benefits that individuals and communities derive from having social contacts and networks throughout their communities and is based on the notion that individuals who interact with each other will support each other to the benefit of the entire community” (Portland BES, 2010). Green infrastructure, and especially ones that encourage use of the outdoors, can help induce interactions and connections across the community. This includes the personal value of health and recreation, as well as an improvement in the level of investment in business district.

Reduced Health Effects - Heat Island Related Impacts: The term “heat island” describes a landscape characteristic in which cities tend to be hotter than nearby rural areas.¹⁴ These hotter temperatures come from the radiant heat off of impervious surfaces and buildings, and a lack of plant material to produce evapotranspiration that cools the air (EPA, 2008; Grimmond, C. et al., 2010; Wise, S. et al., 2010; Burden, D., 2006; City of Portland Bureau of Environmental Services, 2010; Grimmond, C. et al., 2010; and Stratus Consulting Inc., 2009). Across a city, higher temperatures can lead to adverse health effects on people (e.g. respiratory difficulties, exhaustion, heat stroke and heat-related mortality), particularly older and more vulnerable populations.¹⁵ Green infrastructure can reduce temperatures and lead to lower health effects if implemented widely across a city. Urban trees, for example, emit low volatile organic compounds (VOC), and reduce air temperatures through transpiration. Research has shown that trees can reduce local temperatures up to 8.7°F compared to impervious surfaces. In Chicago, a study showed substantial differences in roof surface temperatures between green and conventional coverings. The effect of green infrastructure on mitigating heat island effects depends on wide scale implementation (Stratus, 2009). Data on the demographics of an area also influence related benefits because certain age cohorts are more susceptible to heat related illnesses than others.

Aesthetic Improvements: Some strategies improve the overall visual appearance of a community simply by having planted material among impervious surfaces. In addition, some BMPs strategies aim to directly reduce litter or debris from public spaces to make it more visually appealing. These aesthetic improvements are difficult to estimate directly but can be observed in differences in the prices on properties which are in the vicinity of aesthetically attractive areas. To estimate benefits of these improvements, property value studies are conducted to isolate only a small portion of price differences that relate to being near the green

¹⁴ <http://www.epa.gov/heatisland/index.htm>

¹⁵ The heat island mitigation to lowering emission levels of air pollutants and greenhouse gases through the reduced energy demand (via greater air conditioning needs) and lower demand for outdoor irrigation needs. These effects, if they can be quantified, are discussed above.

infrastructure installation. A number of researchers have evaluated such property value differences and used them in BCAs. For example, the Alachua County Environmental Protection Department and Public Works Department (in Florida) examined the change in property values due to the county's green infrastructure programs and found that the increase in land values for properties adjacent to some measures (EPA, 2103). The application of findings from one site to another is not always straightforward and depends on site specific conditions.

Recreational Benefits: In addition to providing a pleasant visual experience, certain green infrastructure can provide recreational benefits as well. Philadelphia estimated the number of persons who would use (i.e. walk or bike on) a vegetated acre, as part of their triple bottom line analysis of the Combined Sewer Overflow Long Term Control Plan Update (PWD, 2009). The residents of Alachua County in Florida noted that recreational benefits that stem from green infrastructure were a top priority for the impacts of development. Their concerns for these issues have driven the county's pursuit of GI programs (EPA, 2013). For the Blackberry Creek Watershed Alternative Study, open spaces and natural greenways to preserve and connect significant natural features for valued for aesthetic, recreational, and/or alternative transportation uses (EPA, 2013). Valuation of recreational features stems from economic research on the time and money spent to reach a recreational area.

Noise Reduction: Some green infrastructure systems, such as wetlands or trees, are effective in reducing ambient noise because they can absorb it. CNT (2010) discusses the noise-reducing properties of GI for porous concrete and green roofs, but does not provide a methodology for quantifying these benefits. A case study in Lancaster County, PA notes that positive effects of green infrastructure can arise from noise pollution reduction (EPA, 2014).

Crime Reduction: Researchers from the University of Illinois asked the question "Does Vegetation Reduce Crime?" and came to the conclusion that the greener a buildings surroundings were, the fewer crimes reported (Kuo and Sullivan, 2001). This study examined crime activity levels around apartment buildings in Chicago, and measured differences in the amount of trees and grass cover between sites. Vegetation may deter crime both by increasing informal surveillance and by mitigating some of the psychological precursors to violence. While these are just theories and have not been comprehensively examined, what this research shows is that vegetation does not necessarily facilitate crime by providing cover – a long-held belief among some planners. Instead, a green environment encourages outdoor use, and as such, provides a deterrent because more people are in places where crimes can be committed. The benefits of crime reduction would be derived through data per crime on the avoided costs for the judicial system.

Public Education/Environmental Stewardship. Promoting strategies that seek to change people's behaviors and make them more aware of their environmental impacts helps to cultivate a stewardship perspective in the community about its

local natural resources. CNT (2010) notes that community tree planting provides a valuable educational opportunity for residents since in this process they become more aware of the benefits of green infrastructure. Research on urban tree planting has shown that such environmental initiatives make environmentally sound behaviors more likely to occur in the future. Other strategies involving public education and advertising has appeared to be less effective in changing attitudes (Kuo and Sullivan, 2001; and Summitt and Sommer, 1997). The economic valuation of such changes though has not been sufficiently studied for it to be included in a BCA. In this case, only a qualitative assessment of changes in stewardship could be included in a decision framework.

Business Development: Green infrastructure, especially on the scale of a comprehensive green street design can lead to an enhanced sense of place, and increase in foot and bicycle traffic can support retail development. The NRDC found that consumers are willing to spend more on products, visit more frequently, or travel farther to shop in areas with attractive landscaping, good tree cover, or green streets (NRDC, 2013). Case studies by the New York City DOT examined before and after changes in Retail Sales Tax Filings, Commercial Leases & Rents, and City-Assessed Market Value. While the study's methodology does not ultimately prove causality between the street improvement projects and any resulting economic changes, some locations of green street development saw a significant increase in retail sales compared to the changes in retail sales for the borough as a whole.

Job Creation and Economic Impacts: Spending on capital investments and operations and maintenance (O&M) leads to job creation. Moreover, since installation and maintenance of most of these systems requires unskilled labor, the economic benefits of job creation often goes directly to those who may be in most need of work. The total economic impact of capital and O&M expenditures is measured in terms of the number of jobs created, change in income, gross regional product, and sales and property tax revenue. In addition, wider impacts across the region can also be estimated by applying appropriate economic *multipliers*. As an example, PWD (2009) focused on the fact that many of these jobs are for unskilled labor, which provides a valuable social benefit in an urban setting.

2.3 What Evidence Of Benefits Have Been Found Elsewhere?

Economic benefits of storm water management depend on site conditions and characteristics of the green infrastructure systems and program. While CNT (2010) establishes a number of methods for computing benefits, for each set of calculations it is necessary to collect (or establish assumptions) site specific data about BMPs performance and establish analytical standards for the suitability of economic valuation parameters. Despite these constraints and uncertainties, some agencies have pushed forward in collecting data and using these methods. The most recent review of economic evaluations of green infrastructure is found in EPA (2013). This document has developed a fairly comprehensive assessment of the efforts by some utilities to evaluate economic benefits of storm water management. Table 3 presents an excerpt from the EPA (2013) report and indicates that some of case studies performed BCAs, as opposed to other analytical approaches such as cost-effectiveness.

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Table 3: Excerpt of EPA Case Studies on Economic Evaluation of Storm water Management BMPs

Entity	LID/GI program description	Type of analysis	Outcome of analysis
Lenexa Public Works Department, KS	Adoption of LID/GI-oriented development standards, BMPs, and systems development fees as part of the Rain to Recreation program.	Capital cost assessment	Savings of tens to hundreds of thousands of dollars in site work and infrastructure costs with GI BMPs.
Charlotte-Mecklenburg Storm Water Services, NC	Restoration of streams damaged by runoff from development, and BMPs to reduce impacts of rapid development, were assessed to determine impacts on drinking water quality.	Cost-effectiveness	Analysis showed that stream restoration is the most cost-effective way to immediately control sediment in this area.
Capitol Region Watershed District (CRWD), MN	Eighteen BMPs in a 298-acre watershed designed to reduce localized flooding and storm water runoff, improve water quality, enhance recreation in local park.	- Capital cost assessment - Cost-effectiveness	Initial capital cost assessment found substantial cost savings with GI compared with grey infrastructure.
New York City Mayor's Office of Long-term Planning and Sustainability, NY	Distributed GI controls to reduce storm water runoff and CSOs, improve water quality, and increase public access to tributaries, compared to conventional CSO controls such as tunnels and basin storage.	Cost-effectiveness	Cost savings with GI compared to grey infrastructure
Seattle Public Utilities (SPU), WA	Natural drainage system (NDS) projects on residential streets; LID/GI-based storm water regulations and Residential Rainwise Program to encourage customers to reduce the volume of storm water sent to the public system.	Cost-effectiveness	By integrating LID/GI into asset management process, SPU can minimize life-cycle costs to meet established levels of service and balance the risks to minimize life-cycle costs.
West Union, IA	Pilot community for Iowa Sustainable Green Streets Initiative to replace aging infrastructure and reduce localized flooding in downtown area.	- Life-cycle cost analysis - Benefit valuation (avoided costs)	Lower maintenance and repair costs for deicing permeable pavement result in projected savings over the life-span of the pavement.
Kirkland Public Works Department, WA	Integration of LID/GI into conceptual design phase of all capital improvement projects within public rights-of-way.	Quantitative ranking of costs, benefits	LID/GI options for CIP projects are investigated as early in the planning phase as possible.
Kane County, IL	Adoption of county storm water ordinance and corresponding LID/GI-based BMPs, including development approaches that preserve natural areas and use naturalized drainage/retention/detention (i.e., conservation-based development).	Fiscal impact analysis	Study found that conservation development alternative incurs a lower public cost than the conventional alternative.

Table 3: Excerpt of EPA Case Studies on Economic Evaluation of Storm water Management BMPs (Continued)

Entity	LID/GI program description	Type of analysis	Outcome of analysis
Milwaukee Metropolitan Sewerage District (MMSD), WI	Integration of distributed LID/GI strategies into overall planning efforts including facilities plans and CSO control plan; projects on both public and private lands.	•Cost effectiveness •Benefit valuation	Results will be used to help select which projects to implement in the future, and to show where the use of GI is a valid and effective approach
Alachua County Environmental Protection and Public Works Departments, FL	County acquires and preserves open-space lands through ACF program to reduce development impacts and improve water quality.	Benefit-cost analysis (BCA)	Proximity to open space adds to parcel value, for an increase in property tax revenue of several million dollars per year.
Portland Bureau of Environmental Services (BES), OR	Ecoroof Program includes incentives for green roofs on privately owned buildings and green roof requirements for new city-owned buildings.	BCA analysis	Ecoroofs generate significant public and environmental benefits, as well as benefits to developers and building owners (due to extended life of ecoroofs compared to traditional roofs).
Sun Valley Watershed, LACDPW, CA	Goal of watershed-based project was to alleviate localized flooding while providing multiple benefits. Fifteen project elements with LID/GI components.	BCA analysis	Demonstrated potential for multi-objective storm water strategies to provide greater community value than a single-objective flood control strategy would provide.
PWD, PA	Green City Clean Waters Program aims to reduce CSOs and improve water quality in part through distributed GI controls and comprehensive stream restoration program.	BCA analysis	LID/GI-based approaches provide important environmental and social benefits that are generally not provided by grey infrastructure.

A summary of several case studies is presented below. These studies integrated local data with some aspects of the CNT (2010) framework to estimate quantifiable benefits.

Economic Benefits of Green Infrastructure in Milwaukee, WI and Ann Arbor, MI:

ECONorthwest (2011), evaluated benefit analyses of storm water management efforts in Milwaukee, WI and Ann Arbor, MI. In *Milwaukee*, the Department of Public Works - Infrastructure Division, manages infrastructure consisting of about 300 miles of sewer pipes, 3,000 miles of municipal pipes, and 3,000 miles of private laterals. A primary focus is to reduce the quantity of total suspended solids entering its waterways by 40 percent by 2013, as required by the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources (City of Milwaukee, 2011). The Systems Planning Unit in Ann Arbor has a much smaller management responsibility and consists of just 359 miles of underground pipes and over 11,000 inlets and catch basins to manage storm water (City of Ann Arbor, 2011). In both communities, monetizable, quantifiable and qualitative benefits are evaluated (see Table 4) using the methodology established by CNT (2010). Where appropriate and possible, local data was integrated into calculations to estimate benefits. A number of additional assumptions are made to illustrate the scale of benefits that could arise from a much larger future program.

Table 4: Benefits Evaluated in Great Lakes Study

Quantified and Monetized	Quantified, but not Monetized	Qualitative
Avoided costs of reduced storm water runoff and water quality	Flood Reduction	Public Education
Avoided costs related to water quality benefits	Heat Island Effect	
Avoided costs of additional future gray infrastructure capacity	Aesthetics	
Avoided costs of treatment operations and maintenance for combined sewer flows	Improved health and well-being from recreation	
Energy Cost Savings Benefits	Improving well-being by reducing noise pollution	
Decreased air pollution emissions from reduced energy use		
Improved air quality from vegetation on green roofs and trees		
Reduced CO2 equivalent emissions from reduced energy use		
Increased carbon sequestration from trees and green roofs		
Wetland habitat protection		

Economic Benefits of Green Infrastructure in Lancaster, PA: With a population of 60,000, the city has a combined sewer system (CSS) and needed to address burden on the treatment facility when intense precipitation events occurred. The EPA notes that combined sewer overflows (CSOs) discharge approximately 750 million gallons of untreated wastewater and storm water into the Conestoga River (EPA, 2014). To address this issue, Lancaster County published a Green Infrastructure plan which estimated water quality benefits, but not the additional environmental, social, and economic benefits. The EPA published this case study to highlight and bring awareness to quantify and highlight these benefits. The specific benefits they monetized were energy, air quality, and climate-related benefits. They also estimated the avoided capital costs of gray infrastructure, and the avoided wastewater pumping and treatment costs. The methodology used in quantifying and monetizing the benefits followed CNT (2010). They also made several high-level assumptions with regard to long-term reduction, the future distribution of green infrastructure projects, and when the monetary benefits would begin accruing.

Philadelphia Combined Sewer Overflow Long Term Control Plan Update: The purpose of the City's report was to demonstrate the full range of societal benefits of the Green City Clean Waters Program. The program aims to reduce CSOs and improve water quality in part through distributed GI controls and comprehensive stream restoration program. The analysis helped PWD to determine that a GI-based approach, coupled with targeted grey infrastructure, is their preferred approach for city to follow. A table of the monetized benefits over 40 years is presented below. It is assumed that these benefits arise from a 50% level of LID coverage throughout the city.

Table 5: City-wide present value benefits of key CSO options: Cumulative through 2049 (2009 Dollars)

Benefit categories	Value
Increased recreational opportunities	\$524.50
Improved aesthetics/property value (50%)	\$574.70
Reduction in heat stress mortality	\$1,057.60
Water quality/aquatic habitat enhancement	\$336.40
Wetland services	\$1.60
Social costs avoided by green collar jobs	\$124.90
Air quality improvements from trees	\$131.00
Energy savings/usage	\$33.70
Reduced (increased) damage from SO ₂ and NO _x emissions	\$46.30
Reduced (increased) damage from CO ₂ emissions	\$21.20
Disruption costs from construction and maintenance	(\$5.60)
Total	\$2,846.40

Alachua County Environmental Protection and Public Works Departments, FL: The county developed a comprehensive low impact development (LID) / green infrastructure (GI) program based on three different components: (1) LID/GI-based land development policies and regulations developed through the county's Comprehensive Plan; (2) Alachua County Forever (ACF), a conservation and land acquisition program; and (3) a unique governance structure designed to increase interdepartmental collaboration to promote the adoption of LID/GI program elements. To demonstrate the benefits of ACF and alleviate public concerns that the program reduces property tax revenue, the county calculated the benefits for the increase in property values from increased open space. This measure was used to compare with any lost tax revenue to acquire, protect, and manage environmentally significant lands in order to protect water resources, wildlife habitat, and natural areas suitable for resource-based recreation. Twelve thousand seven hundred parcels in the county are close enough to open space to show an increase in value due to their proximity to water. The total impact on their value is just under \$150 million, which would result in additional property tax revenues of approximately \$3.5 million per year.

Portland Bureau of Environmental Services, OR. The Portland BES performed an analysis of ecoroofs versus conventional roofs to gain support and increase implementation of ecoroofs in the city. Portland receives an average of 37 inches of precipitation per year, which creates an annual volume of storm water runoff of about 10 billion gallons. As part of its storm water management programs, BES has implemented the Sustainable Storm water Management Program, which focuses on green infrastructure initiatives, including the Ecoroof Program.

Table 6: Value of Benefits from 40,000 SQFT Ecoroof (2008 Dollars)

Benefit categories	Total Over 40 Years
Cooling demand reduction	\$19,983
Heating demand reduction	\$23,509
Carbon reduction	\$845
Improved air quality	\$104,576
Habitat creation	\$25,300
Total	\$174,213

Sun Valley Watershed, Los Angeles, California: The Sun Valley watershed is in the San Fernando Valley, about 14 miles northwest of downtown Los Angeles. It encompasses the communities of Sun Valley and North Hollywood. The watershed is approximately 4.4 square miles and six miles in length from north to south.

The economic analysis was undertaken because the county and other stakeholders needed to show that although the costs of the LID/GI-oriented solutions would be much greater than the cost of traditional infrastructure, and they would yield significantly higher benefits. The results of the analysis were used to help to gain public support, bring in outside partners, and raise funds. The tables below show the descriptions of each alternative the value of alternatives compared to a grey infrastructure scenario.

Table 7: Description of Alternatives for Sun Valley Watershed

	1 - Infiltration	2 - Water Conservation	3 - Storm water Reuse	4 - Urban Storm Protection
Description	Widely Distributed Small Projects	Maximizes Wildlife Habitat	Maximizes Storm water Reuse for Industry	Full Conveyance with Regional BMPs
Retention Basin Size	50-Year	50-Year: Subareas 1-6 10-Year: Subareas 7-8	50-Year	10-Year

Table 8: Values by benefit over 50 years (2002 Dollars)

Benefit	Grey Infrastructure	1	2	3	4
County Flood Control					
Regional damage avoidance	\$64.46	\$64.46	\$64.46	\$64.46	\$64.46
Change in downstream flooding	-\$1.03	\$5.37	\$3.65	\$5.37	\$3.22
City Flood Control	\$10.01	\$10.01	\$10.01	\$10.01	\$10.01
Avoided cost of imported water	\$0.00	\$22.35	\$17.89	\$24.07	\$22.65
Energy Reduction	\$0.00	\$4.30	\$1.70	\$4.30	\$1.70
Air Quality	\$0.00	\$20.50	\$8.10	\$20.50	\$8.10
Greenwaste	\$0.00	\$20.00	\$10.00	\$20.00	\$10.00
Ecosystem Restoration	\$0.00	\$1.86	\$4.04	\$4.58	\$4.48
Recreation	\$0.00	\$23.34	\$23.34	\$23.34	\$23.34
Property Values	\$0.00	\$10.20	\$3.90	\$10.20	\$3.90
Total Benefits	\$73.44	\$270.47	\$295.39	\$274.93	\$239.95

3 Summary of Water Quality Improvement Strategies

3.1 Program Background

The Division has been working for several years with other jurisdictions and community groups to establish Water Quality Improvement Plans (WQIPs) for each of its watersheds. WQIPs draw from the processes in developing Watershed Asset Management Plans (WAMPs) and Comprehensive Load Reduction Plans (CLRPs) which aim to protect, preserve, enhance, and restore water quality in receiving waters. WAMPs provide an understanding of critical assets owned by the Division and the management and investment strategies necessary to deliver required services. CLRPs are efforts to identify BMPs and funding levels needed to comply with TMDL and other storm water regulations established by the Regional Water Quality Control Board. These efforts, as described below, have identified a series of projects and initiatives that have been defined as either structural or nonstructural initiatives.

3.2 Structural WQIP Strategies

3.2.1 Types of Strategies

Structural BMPs are physical infrastructures that are designed for site-specific conditions and placed strategically across a watershed to improve water quality. The effectiveness and feasibility of implementing any of these BMPs varies depending on the design and site conditions. For example, the effectiveness of a BMP in enhanced infiltration capacity of a watershed depends on amenable soil types. Other site-specific considerations include the physical land area available for effective implementation and maintenance. Also, the capital and maintenance costs of a BMP influence its feasibility for the Division, especially in comparison to other BMPs which can be implemented more cost-effectively.

Various types of structural strategies have been identified as potentially suitable for San Diego watersheds and have been classified as one of three types: (1) green infrastructure, (2) multiuse treatment areas, and (3) water quality improvement BMPs.¹⁶ Each of these types of structural BMPs is discussed below.

Green Infrastructure

Green infrastructure covers a range of BMPs that are designed to be integrated in a broader site plan to maintain healthy waters, provide multiple environmental benefits, and support sustainable communities. Green infrastructure is distinguished from other methods by making deliberate and effective use of vegetation and soil to manage storm water (USEPA, 2014). Table 9 presents a series of green infrastructure BMPs that can be integrated into site designs and implemented at the site scale (on-site treatment) or street right-of-way scale (green streets).

¹⁶ San Dieguito Potential Strategies Final Draft 4/11/14

Table 9: List of Structural BMPs – Green Infrastructure

BMP*	BMP Description
Bioretention	Shallow vegetated features constructed in green spaces alongside roads, sidewalks, and other paved surfaces. Bioretention includes an engineered soil media designed to encourage pollutant treatment and water storage.
Infiltration Trenches	Narrow, linear BMPs that have similar functions as bioretention areas with variable surface materials, including rock or decorative stone, designed to allow storm water to infiltrate into subsurface soils.
Bioswales	Shallow, open channels designed to reduce runoff volume through infiltration and pollutant removal by filtering water through vegetation within the channel and infiltration into bioretention soil media. Bioswales can serve as storm water conveyance, but the primary objective is water quality enhancement (often referred to as linear bioretention).
Planter Box	Fully contained system containing soil media and vegetation that functions similarly to a small biofiltration BMP, but includes an impermeable liner and underdrain.
Constructed Wetland	Engineered, shallow marsh systems designed to control and treat storm water runoff. Particle-bound pollutants are removed through settling and other pollutants are removed through biogeochemical activity.
Permeable Pavement	Allows streets, parking lots, sidewalks, and other impervious covers to retain their natural infiltration capacity while maintaining the structural and functional features of the materials they replace. Roads such as highways can include PFC overlays which provide water quality benefits when traditional permeable pavement is not suitable.
Sand Filters	Treatment systems that removes particulates and solids from storm water runoff by facilitating physical filtration.
Vegetated Swales	Shallow, open channels that are designed primarily for storm water conveyance. Pollutants such as trash and debris are removed by physically straining/filtering water through vegetation in the channel.
Vegetated Filter Strips	Bands of dense, permanent vegetation with a uniform slope, designed to provide pretreatment of runoff generated from impervious areas before flowing into another BMP as part of a treatment train.
Green Roofs	Roofing systems that layer a soil/vegetative cover over a waterproofing membrane and can reduce runoff through interception and evapotranspiration.

*Source: San Dieguito River WMA Water Quality Improvement Plan (2014)

Table 10 outlines the expected levels of effectiveness in green infrastructure in handling different types of impacts of storm water, including water chemistry and physical and biological impacts. This chart is adapted from the San Dieguito River WMA Water Quality Improvement Plan (2014) provides an initial indication of the kinds of benefits (beyond water quality improvements) that can be achieved by green infrastructure BMPs. In particular, while trash removal is a water chemistry benefit, its removal from streets can lead to more aesthetically pleasing neighborhoods, which in turn can foster economic value. In addition, depending on the extent to which these BMPs improve physical and

biological factors, there can be follow-on improvements in recreational value and ecosystem value of streams and riparian areas. It is noted here that only constructed wetlands have the potential to generate tangible improvements in habitat or wildlife.

Table 10: Green Infrastructure BMPs and Pollutant Reduction BMP

	Water Chemistry Benefit									Physical and Biological Benefits			
	Bacteria ¹	Metals	Organics	Sediment	Pesticides	Nutrients	Oil and grease	Dissolved minerals	Trash	Flow rate	Volume reduction	Habitat or Wildlife	Aquatic Life
Bioretention	●	●	●	●	●	►	●	►	●	●	●	○	►
Infiltration Trenches	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	○	●
Bioswales	●	●	●	●	●	►	●	►	●	●	●	○	►
Planter Boxes	●	●	●	●	●	►	●	►	●	►	►	○	►
Permeable Pavement	►	●	►	●	●	►	►	►	►	●	●	○	►
Constructed Wetlands	●	●	►	●	●	●	►	►	●	●	►	●	►
Sand Filters	●	●	●	●	●	►	●	○	●	►	►	○	►
Vegetated Swales	►	►	►	●	►	►	►	○	●	►	►	○	►
Vegetated Filter Strips	►	►	►	●	►	►	►	○	●	►	►	○	►
Green Roofs	►	►	○	●	○	○	○	○	○	●	►	○	►

Key: ● - Primary pollutant reduction; ► - Secondary pollutant reduction; ○ - Minimal or no pollutant reduction.

Multiuse Treatment Areas

San Dieguito River WMA WQIP (2014) identifies large-scale treatment areas such as multiuse basins and stream, channel, and habitat rehabilitation projects. These systems are designed as regional facilities that can receive flows from neighborhoods or larger areas and become cost-effective solutions that provide multiple benefits. For example, such systems can be integrated in public spaces such as active (soccer fields) and passive (parks) recreation areas and provide benefits in flood control, ground water recharge, restoration, habitat enhancement, and recreation. In addition streambank projects that reduce erosion can improve water quality and simultaneously improve habitat. Table 11 defines the list of measures considered in San Dieguito River WMA WQIP (2014).

Table 11: List of Structural BMPs – Multiuse Treatment Areas

BMP*	BMP Description
Infiltration and Detention Basins	Large multiuse surface BMPs (on public parcels) that provide treatment through the runoff detention and infiltration (e.g. infiltration basins and dry extended detention basins). These BMPs are designed to hold runoff for an extended period of time to allow water to evaporate into the atmosphere, infiltrate into native soils, or be transpired by vegetation, while accommodating for overflow and bypass during large storm events.
Stream, Channel, and Habitat Rehabilitation Projects	Stream, channel, and habitat restoration or enhancement projects can help sustain habitat for wildlife and provide water quality benefits downstream of these activities.
Other Opportunities	Construction of multiuse treatment areas BMPs on private land to achieve the load reductions. These BMPs are the cost effective and considered a low priority.

Water Quality Improvement BMPs

Additional structural BMPs include systems that supplement the design performance of existing infrastructure. For example, systems that segregate trash includes inlet devices, such as trash guards or racks that capture debris before they enter surface waters. Another example are proprietary commercial products that often aim to use settling, filtration, absorptive/adsorptive materials, vortex separation, and sometimes vegetative components to remove pollutants from runoff. Finally, dry weather flow separation and treatment projects target non-storm water dry season flows and divert these flows for treatment either on-site or to sanitary sewer systems and ultimately waste water treatment plants.

3.2.2 Measuring Impacts of Structural Strategies

The benefits of structural systems - both the type of benefit and the magnitude – depend on the system's design and surrounding site characteristics. Some strategies such as constructed wetlands can generate a range of benefits (which are partially indicated by Table 10) and may also include recreational and aesthetic values. Most of these benefits accrue to the general public who may have access or benefit from proximity to the wetland. Green roofs, on the other hand, create both public benefits in water retention as well as potential private benefits for property owners in terms of energy savings, from additional roof insulation.

The effectiveness of each structural system in generating benefits is determined directly from key physical features associated with its design. That is, each system benefit, whether it includes flood risk reduction, air quality improvement, or aesthetics, depends on a characteristic of the system that is measured in physical units. For example, flood risk reduction benefits depend fundamentally on the quantity of water retained by the BMP – that benefit's *unit of measure*.

The unit of measure of green streets (Figure 1) would certainly include the designs of various BMPs on the street such as bio-swales, permeable pavement and tree plantings.

In aggregate however, a standard green street design would be measured by its length in miles. In addition, the features and length of the green street may also influence the value of properties on either side of it. Site specific characteristics associated with the type of neighborhood (e.g. mixed use, residential, commercial, etc.), population / employment density, socio-economic characteristics (e.g. income, household size), safety conditions and other factors could influence different types of benefits.

Figure 1: Illustration of Sample Structural BMP: Green Streets



Bioswales: can reduce runoff and downstream flood potential and create aesthetically appealing environment

Permeable Pavement: can reduce runoff and downstream flood potential

Tree Plantings: can reduce runoff and downstream flood potential, entrain harmful particulates, create aesthetically appealing environments, lower ambient temperatures

3.3 Nonstructural Strategies

3.3.1 Types of Strategies

The Division and its stakeholders have also identified nonstructural strategies that may achieve water quality improvements. Nonstructural strategies include “those actions and activities intended to reduce storm water pollution, which do not involve construction of a physical component or structure to filter and treat storm water.” These strategies include administrative policies, creation and enforcement of municipal ordinances, education and outreach programs, rebate and other incentive programs, and cooperation and collaboration with other watershed or regional partners. In general, many of these initiatives have been implemented by the Division for many years and are considered to be integral to regulatory compliance on a watershed-specific basis.

WQIP documents have organized Nonstructural Strategies into a number of categories (see Table 12). These categories include: Development Planning, Construction Management, Existing Development, Illicit Discharge, Detection, and Elimination (IDDE) Program, Public Education and Participation, Enforcement Response Plan, and Non-JRMP Strategies. Across the watersheds and jurisdictions, a long list of potential nonstructural strategies in each category has been developed – reflecting the differing site characteristics in different locations. A comprehensive list of specific strategies across all of the watersheds is included in Appendix 2.

Table 12: Nonstructural Strategies

Strategy Category	Strategy Description
Development Planning	Program uses Responsible Agencies' land use and planning authority to require implementation of best management practices (BMPs) to address effects from new development and redevelopment.
Construction Management	Program addresses pollutant generation from construction activities associated with new development or redevelopment.
Existing Development	Program addresses pollutant generation from existing development including commercial, industrial, municipal, and residential land uses. It includes stream, channel, and habitat restoration and retrofitting in areas of existing development.
Illicit Discharge, Detection, and Elimination (IDDE) Program	Program actively detects and eliminates illicit discharges and improper disposal of wastes into the MS4.
Public Education and Participation	Promotes and encourages the development of programs, management practices, and behaviors that reduce the discharge of pollutants in storm water to the maximum extent practicable (MEP), prevent controllable non-storm water discharges from entering the MS4, and protect water quality standards in receiving waters.
Enforcement Response Plan	Enforcement of each JRMP is required.
Non-JRMP Strategies	Strategies that are outside of the JRMPs, but are designed to effectively prohibit non-storm water discharges to the MS4, protect the beneficial uses of receiving waters from MS4 discharges, or achieve the interim and final numeric goals identified in the Water Quality Improvement Plan.

3.3.2 Measuring Impacts of Nonstructural Strategies

The economics perspective on nonstructural strategies is manifested in the change that they create, which in turn causes a change in value for the community. In particular, the impact of some nonstructural strategies that are directly related to structural systems, such as new design standards for BMPs, generates value when the design standard is used to improve BMP performance. The value of this nonstructural strategy is captured through the value of the structural systems that are implemented. Other nonstructural strategies directly generate value that is separate from a structural BMP. For example, an educational campaign that aims to reduce litter would directly target people's behavior and its effectiveness would be determined by how many people's behavior is changed. The value of this change would be captured by benefit categories associated with improved community livability and business development.

To reflect these differences in nonstructural strategies, we have developed several categories to differentiate them in terms of how they generate value. These categories include strategies that: (a) Increase # of structural systems; (b) Improve structural systems performance; (c) Initiatives to change behavior; and (d) Initiatives to reduce pollutants directly. The revised grouping of specific nonstructural strategies is briefly described in Table 13.

Table 13: Nonstructural Categories by Type of Impact and Identified Strategies

Changing Behavior to reduce pollutants at the source

Implement pet waste program
Identify and reduce incidents of power washing discharges from nonresidential sites.
Require BMPs to address pesticides, herbicides, and fertilizers issues
Implement Illicit Discharge, Detection, and Elimination (IDDE) Program
Implement a public education and participation program
Enhance education and outreach
Technical education and outreach on the MS4 Permit and WQIP
Implement escalating enforcement responses to compel compliance
Continue participating in source reduction initiatives.

Improve / Maintain BMPs or LIDs

Update BMP Design Manual procedures
Administer an alternative compliance program
Oversee implementation of BMPs during the construction
Require implementation of minimum BMPs for existing development
Gather monitoring information about priority conditions or beneficial uses
Collaborate with entities potentially including, but not limited to:

Increasing # of BMPs or LIDs

For all development projects, ensure source control BMPs
Amend municipal code to encourage LID
Train staff on LID regulatory changes and LID Design Manual.
For PDPs, require implementation of on-site structural BMPs or LIDs
Promote and encourage implementing designated BMPs at residential areas.
Develop pilot project to identify and carry out site disconnections in targeted areas.
Promote and encourage implementation of designated BMPs in nonresidential areas.
Monitor for erosion, and slope stabilization on municipal property.
Identify sites for pilot study to test Permeable Friction Course (PFC)
Identify candidate areas for retrofitting projects
Identify areas for stream, channel, or habitat rehabilitation projects
Enforcement of actionable erosion and slope stabilization issues
Conduct a feasibility study on urban tree canopy (UTC) program

Removing pollutants or sources directly

Implement operation and maintenance activities
Implement controls to prevent infiltration of sewage into the MS4
Implement operation and maintenance activities for public streets

Require sweeping and maintenance of private roads and parking lots in targeted areas.

Develop a program to address and capture trash and debris.

Sanitation and trash management for persons experiencing homelessness.

Protect areas that are functioning naturally.

As mentioned above, the first two of these nonstructural categories relates directly to structural systems themselves. In this case, whether the change in BMP adoption is due to training in the community or general promotion of BMP adoption, the success of these strategies would be determined directly by how many additional BMPs are installed and then by the various benefits generated by their installation. Similarly, new design standards and performance monitoring would be measured by the improvement in the performance of installed structural systems.

On the other hand, nonstructural strategies can generate water quality and other benefits on their own. For example, some of these strategies entail education, enforcement and outreach activities which attempt to alter behavior that leads to water quality pollution. These strategies may at the same time lead to an overall aesthetically better environment with less litter on the street. In addition, programs to promote rain barrels and other water harvesting systems on private property can generate benefits to the property owner and the general public. Measured in terms of their water holding capacity, these systems have the potential to offset water demand for irrigation purposes which has the dual effect of reducing water costs for the owner and water treatment demand from the utility. Lower water demand would reduce energy demanded and associated pollutants.

Figure 2: Illustration of Nonstructural BMP: Water Harvesting



Irrigation costs savings:

Quantity of water retained for irrigation purposes
(retained water also reduces energy emissions from lower energy use at the water treatment plant)

Each of these types of strategies will be discussed in greater detail relative to the benefits that they can generate in the next chapter.

4 Accounting for Benefits of BMP Strategies in San Diego

Discussions above on the economic benefits of storm water management and the varied types of structural and nonstructural BMPs strategies under consideration by that the Division sets up the potential to evaluate strategies with an economic framework. The challenge in performing an economic analysis is that some benefits may not be quantifiable, let alone monetizable. In that case, the Division faces some options in how to account for benefits that are perceived to be relevant in decision making. This section begins with an outline of the types of benefits which could be applicable to different categories of strategies and then closes with a discussion on the options for analytically accounting for benefits with different levels of information.

4.1 Evaluation of Benefits for BMP Strategies

This assessment of the applicability of benefits to different BMP strategies represents an initial effort to characterize and differentiate BMPs by the value that they may create for the economy, environment and community. In a series of tables (Table 14) through Table 17), each category of benefit is evaluated relative to applicability for each type of structural and nonstructural strategy. This initial assessment determines for each strategy type whether a benefit can be: (a) monetized; (b) monetized but depending on site specific conditions; (c) quantified but not monetized; or (d) qualitatively evaluated.

To facilitate the review of these tables, a standard symbol key is created to establish how benefits may be evaluated for each strategy.

Key to Symbols for Table 14 through Table 17	
●	Monetizable
⊙	Monetizable, but site-specific
⊗	Quantifiable
○	Qualitative

The following delineation of how benefits can be evaluated for a general strategy can only be viewed as our initial assessment. Recall that Table 13 briefly identifies individual strategies under each of these major groups. At this stage, only a general indication of applicability of benefits is discussed. Further evaluation of benefits per strategy would be developed in a subsequent report.

4.1.1 Structural Strategies – Economic and Environmental Benefits

Table 14 represents the additional economic and environmental benefits that could arise from various structural strategies. As shown, many benefits are readily monetizable for *Green Infrastructure* strategies. This finding reflects the fact that much of the existing research that can be applied in San Diego has focused on the various BMPs identified as green infrastructure. Such research and the various storm water management BCA case studies that have been produced provide standardized methods, data, and evidence that can be applied to new sites and projects. As noted in the table, with some additional data on site conditions (e.g. evidence of flood risk, and irrigation demand, for example), many

of the green infrastructure systems have the potential to be monetized. Only benefits related to habitat creation would be unlikely to be monetized. The reason is that not only to these types of benefit calculations require detailed biological surveys, but predictions on the improvement in habitat services with green infrastructure are not well understood at present. Any assessment of monetary benefits would be highly uncertainty and thus, this type of benefit is better characterized in quantitative terms, such as in units of habitat area created.

Multiuse Treatment Area strategies differ from green infrastructure because of the scale and placement of these systems. Benefits can arise from these strategies, especially in flood control because of the volumes that can be potentially detained but the quantification of benefits depends on whether there is a downstream flooding risk. The planted material in these systems can provide benefits in air particulate entrainment, carbon sequestration, and habitat creation but the evidence is not established well enough to characterize these impacts in monetary terms. Other benefits would entail a qualitative assessment.

Water Quality Improvement strategies do not have as clear an impact on economic and environmental benefits as green infrastructure and multi-use treatment areas. For example, trash guards or racks that capture debris before they enter surface waters can improve fish habitat but do not have enough supporting documentation to clearly assess benefits from some of the improved livability characteristics. If less trash in surface waters can be attributed to less trash on neighborhood streets, associated benefits in business development and social capital could arise, but such a connection is not likely to be quantifiable.

Table 14: Structural Strategies – Economic and Environmental Benefits

Strategy	Green Infrastructure	Multiuse Treatment Areas	Water Quality Improvement
Flood Risk Reduction	⊙	⊙	⊙
Irrigation Cost Savings	⊙	○	○
Energy Cost Savings	⊙	○	○
Air Particulate Entrainment	●	⊗	○
Climate Impacts	●	⊗	○
Habitat Related Benefits	⊗	⊗	⊗
Air Quality Emission Reduction	●	○	○
GHG Emission Reduction	●	○	○

4.1.2 Structural Strategies – Community Livability Benefits

Community livability benefits from structural systems (Table 15) represent benefits which directly or indirectly enhance local development and quality of life. These benefits are

largely derived from the physical features of structural strategies in creating benefits to local residents and property owners. For example, green roofs are noted in their ability to provide noise insulation in a building and tree plantings along green streets can lead to local retail business development because the environment is a more pleasant place to shop.

Similar to economic and environmental benefits in the table above, the applicability of community livability benefits to *Green Infrastructure* also depends on site specific characteristics. For example, the influence of aesthetic improvements on property values usually depends on the type of neighborhood (e.g. residential, commercial, or mixed-use areas). In commercial districts, monetized benefits would be observed in property values, increased sales or employment levels.

The other types of strategies, *Multiuse Treatment Areas* and *Water Quality Improvements*, have fewer types of benefits which can be quantified, let alone monetized. *Multiuse Treatment Areas* certainly have the potential to be located in areas that by design can create recreational opportunities. However, the type of features at the site depends on how it can be used for recreational purposes. The choice of plant materials (e.g. tree species) at the site would affect aesthetics and heat island / health effects but it depends on the location and installation scale of these systems. For *Water Quality Improvements*, it is not clear if there are quantifiable benefits that extend beyond water quality improvements themselves and thus, these benefit categories may be evaluated only in qualitative terms.

Table 15: Structural Strategies – Community Livability Benefits

Strategy	Green Infrastructure	Multiuse Treatment Areas	Water Quality Improvement
Heat Island Effect	⊙	⊙	○
Aesthetics	⊙	⊙	○
Recreational Benefits	⊙	⊙	○
Noise Reduction	⊗	○	○
Business Development & Jobs	⊙	○	○
Crime Reduction	⊗	○	○
Public Education/ Environmental Stewardship	⊗	⊗	⊗

4.1.3 Nonstructural Strategies – Economic and Environmental Benefits

The potential applicability of economic and environmental benefits for *Nonstructural Strategies* is presented in (Table 16). As discussed above, some types of nonstructural strategies relate directly to structural systems by *Increasing the Number of Structural*

Systems and Improving the Structural Systems Performance. Accordingly, estimating monetary benefits in of these is directly linked to whether the influence of a nonstructural strategy on implementing a structural system can be quantified. If so, then benefits are assessed relative to the structural system itself. The assessment of benefit estimation in the first two columns is therefore similar to that of structural systems, assuming though that the effectiveness of these nonstructural strategies can be estimated.

The two other nonstructural approaches, *Initiatives to Change Behavior* and *Initiatives to Reduce Pollutants Directly*, generate benefits from their own effectiveness in changing behavior or pollution control initiatives. Initiatives to Change Behavior primarily target efforts to encourage improved environmental stewardship and storm water protection throughout the community. Various types of actions then that people may take who are more area of environmental impacts include adoption of rain barrels, reducing litter, and reducing unnecessary levels of pesticides, herbicides and fertilizers. These types of activities could generate a range of economic and environmental benefits, some of which can be monetized if there is sufficient site specific information. In addition, *Initiatives to Reduce Pollutants Directly*, including a number of public agency initiatives in street sweeping, storm water system maintenance and trash removal, can also generate quantifiable and monetizable benefits. On the other hand, street sweeping initiatives entail some amount of environmental costs (or “negative benefits”) associated with emissions from vehicle use. These costs could be compared with any benefits created from cleaner streets.

Table 16: Nonstructural Strategies – Economic and Environmental Benefits

Strategy	Increase # Of Structural Systems	Improve Structural Systems Performance	Initiatives to Change Behavior	Initiatives to Reduce Pollutants Directly
Flood Risk Reduction	⊙	⊙	⊙	○
Irrigation Cost Savings	⊙	⊙	⊙	○
Energy Cost Savings	●	⊗	⊙	●
Air Particulate Entrainment	●	⊗	⊙	⊙
Climate Impacts	●	⊗	⊙	⊙
Habitat Related Benefits	⊗	⊗	⊗	⊗
Air Quality Emission Reduction	●	⊗	⊙	●
GHG Emission Reduction	●	⊗	⊙	●

4.1.4 Nonstructural Strategies – Community Livability Benefits

The effectiveness of nonstructural strategies in enhancing various aspects of community livability are similar to those for economic and environmental outcomes. That is, some of these strategies influence the adoption and performance of structural systems and some aim to change behavior and municipal operations. Also, similar to the structural strategies for the same types of benefits, fewer of these benefits can be evaluated without some site specific information. For the most part though, the evaluation of potential benefits for green infrastructure has been applied to nonstructural systems that aim to increase the numbers and performance of these systems.

Strategies which seek to change behavior such as proper storage of pesticides or the use of rain barrels/water harvesting can have a positive impact, but the scale of that impact will be dependent upon factors such as the number of persons or households who change their behavior. This same uncertainty applies to strategies to reduce pollutants directly. While there is likely to be a net positive impact on society, these impacts on the broader quality of life are less clear. With respect to improved education and awareness, it is possible to quantify the numbers of people who attended a class or have been exposed to an advertising campaign, it is less clear how this information changes behavior or leads to increased number or maintenance of BMPs.

Table 17: Non Structural Strategies – Community Livability Benefits

Strategy	Increase # Of Structural Systems	Improve Structural Systems Performance	Initiatives to Change Behavior	Initiatives to Reduce Pollutants Directly
Heat Island Effect	⊙	⊙	⊙	○
Aesthetics	⊙	⊙	⊙	⊙
Recreational Benefits	⊙	⊙	⊙	⊙
Noise Reduction	⊗	⊗	⊗	⊗
Business Development & Jobs	⊙	⊙	⊙	⊙
Crime Reduction	⊗	⊗	⊗	○
Public Education/ Environmental Stewardship	⊗	⊗	⊗	⊗

4.2 Review of BMP Prioritization Frameworks

In consideration of the types of benefits that can and cannot be estimated with data for various types of BMP strategies, a number of options are available for summarizing the likely outcomes for decision making. As noted in the tables, some benefit categories are readily monetized under certain conditions and others require site specific information to perform computation. Many other benefits may arise from a specific BMP strategy but

cannot be explicitly quantified. Evaluations of any of these benefits for consideration in decision making also entails some significant uncertainties.

Accordingly, several approaches for summarizing benefits and impacts for decision making are available including: cost-effectiveness, benefit-cost analysis, multi-criteria analysis, and SROI. Each of these approaches has strengths and weaknesses for meeting the Division's objectives in developing a prioritization strategy. Overall though, each method can be implemented in a process that applies principles of economics, even in multi-objective decision analyses which do not require monetization, so that the categories of benefits are not overlapping or over-estimating value.

Cost-Effectiveness Analysis (CEA): This type of analysis focuses on identifying the best value for money in achieving a specific goal, such as storm water reduction. The process is not necessarily identifying the least costly strategy but the one that generates the greatest quantity of a goal per unit of cost (e.g. dollars per gallon of water detained). Costs in these analyses include the capital, maintenance and operations for implementing. This type of analysis is suitable for evaluating projects in which outcomes (benefits) can not be measured in dollar units but can be quantified. Cost-effectiveness analyses often apply a 'knee-of-the-curve' criterion to identify selecting the most cost-effective strategy because beyond this level of investment cost the effectiveness may increase but at a declining rate. These analyses have been used by communities across the country to identify opportunities for saving money while achieving storm water management goals.

Benefit-Cost Analysis (BCA): Since storm water BMPs can offer more benefits than conventional storm water management systems, cost-effectiveness analysis fails to offer decision makers adequate information for evaluating the alternatives (MacMullen, 2007). Benefit-cost analyses attempt to monetize as many benefits as possible to compare results with costs. This approach is a more direct way of accounting for multiple environmental, societal and economic benefits on a common basis and is not limited to a single goal as is often performed in a conventional cost-effectiveness framework. In some cases, direct environmental value cannot be computed directly, but observed from avoided damage costs or inferred from changes in property values. BCAs account for separate evaluation of benefit categories provided that they are not overlapping. In addition, BCA can be used to evaluate the benefits and costs to individual stakeholders, and comparison with strictly financial benefits with combined environmental and societal benefits – all in the same units of measure. The comparison of costs and benefits allows an explicit consideration of the trade-offs in project options. A BCA can determine whether the benefits of preservation (or restoration) are "worth" the costs and when the project is best implemented. In this sense, it ensures that the limited resources used to provide goods and services to society are used in the most efficient way—that is, to achieve the greatest net benefit (NRC, undated). The overall economic worth of an option can be summarized with a Net Present Value (NPV) or

Benefit/Cost Ratio (BCR).¹⁷ BCA results do not incorporate perspectives on who gains or loses but whether the overall net benefits justify the investment.¹⁸ Also, where impacts are perceived to be important but a lack of data is available to assign monetary values to it, additional consideration must be given beyond BCA metrics. For example, a trade-off analysis can be used to compare monetary net benefits with non-monetary impacts to determine a best overall value.

Economic Impact Analysis (EIA): The creation of jobs and business development is a direct and tangible measure of value to the community from expenditures to install storm water BMPs. As mentioned above, since these systems can be installed by low-skilled labor, implementation of these types of systems can provide opportunities for some of those who are most in need. Economic impact analyses trace the levels of expenditures on BMPs through the economy to reveal a total impact for the region. Also, green infrastructure tends to use more local labor and materials compared to grey infrastructure and as such would generate a larger local economic impact. The results can be determined in units of numbers of jobs created, increased income, value added, output, and tax revenue. To many stakeholders, these outcomes are more tangible because the results are shown in units that can be related to the unemployment rate and in gross regional product. For decision making purposes, economic impacts are directly proportional to the level of expenditure. As a result, larger projects would appear to provide greater value even if they are not the most cost-effective. These analyses also do not account for benefits that affect the local community and environment.

Multi-Objective Decision Analysis (MODA): For some project impacts, quantitative and monetary metrics are difficult to determine and the appropriateness of any related assumptions would be highly uncertain. MODA formalizes the process of including non-monetary characteristics of a project into decision making. Just like monetary measures, non-monetary measures try to account in a transparent way stakeholders' preferences for certain characteristics. These preferences are the basis for weights on criteria, which are used to compute an index for ranking projects. Non-monetized performance measures may be weighted with monetary values to produce a single performance metric, or reported alongside monetized values for assessing tradeoffs in decisions. These approaches can be as simple as establishing an equal weight and equal score to all benefit categories – whether they can be monetized or not – to sophisticated frameworks in which non-monetary and monetary benefits are scored and weighted in ways that can be consistent

¹⁷ The NPV is the difference between the present value of benefits and the present value of costs. The present value of benefits is the discounted sum of all future benefits. The present value of costs is the discounted sum of all future costs. The BCR is a ratio of the present value of benefits to the present value of costs. It measures how much benefit would be obtained for each unit of cost invested in a project or policy.

¹⁸ In theory, an initiative or project would be rated positively if the benefits to some are large enough to compensate the losses of others, assuming some mechanism existed.

with economic principles. The drawback is that weights are subjective and not based on economic theory or evidence.

Sustainable Return on Investment (SROI): SROI is a proven, economics-based method for appropriately estimating the monetary value of infrastructure. In such cases, the SROI process first identifies measurable performance indicators that can determine the impact of the infrastructure in specific categories of monetizable benefits. In the context of storm water, benefit categories can include those readily monetized as well as those with some quantitative indicators. In this way, SROI uses stakeholder input to estimate values for inclusion in monetary valuation. The SROI process has several notable features that separate it from more conventional evaluation methods. For instance, true to its economics roots, SROI ensures that key performance indicators do not measure overlapping outcomes which would 'double-count' benefits. In addition, the SROI process is marked by its transparency in accounting for uncertainty through Monte Carlo simulation. Uncertainty in the performance, cost and unit values of green infrastructure benefits would be modeled with probability distributions that account for the entire range of reasonable outcomes. Through Monte Carlo simulation, the full range of value for each strategy would be revealed and decisions can be made relative to the upside and downside risk. To be transparent, the probability distributions are established through facilitated discussions in a workshop setting.¹⁹ The discussions are guided towards reaching consensus on how to best use available evidence, including the formation of quantitative descriptions of the uncertainty in the data.

Each of these approaches has strengths and weaknesses for the Division's purposes. For example, BCA is an established approach for evaluating the worthiness of an investment, such as green infrastructure. Benefits which cannot be monetized because they lack sufficient evidence would be treated in a qualitative assessment, but not included in a benefit-cost comparison. In such contexts a MODA approach can be taken to establish weights and scores for non-monetary outcomes and produce an index of value that can be compared with BCA results. Alternatively, an SROI approach can be undertaken that establishes monetary values for all key benefit categories through a collaborative review of evidence and then risk analysis methods are applied to quantify the uncertainty in quantitative and monetary parameters. MODA methods in establishing weights and scores can be used to support SROI results but ultimately with a SROI process, all key categories of benefits would be evaluated in monetary terms.

The next step for the Division is to develop a sound basis for using this information to prioritize BMPs across each watershed. Many challenges arise in prioritizing BMP strategies with the types of varying benefits presented in Chapter 4. Ideally, a prioritizing approach would be objective, based on site-specific and peer-reviewed evidence,

¹⁹ An initial workshop was held in May in San Diego to discuss benefit categories, strategies and decision making frameworks. Comments received from this workshop are included in Appendix 3.

account for life cycle outcomes and reflect various sources of uncertainty. Several prioritization options exist that address some of these goals for the framework.

5 Summary of Key Findings

Our findings in this report indicate that many types of benefits can accrue to local residents, businesses, and the general public. Computing benefits of BMPs has been standardized to some extent in the Center for Neighborhood Technology (CNT) report which outlines the data and calculations for a number of benefits (CNT, 2010). For the Division, a similar calculation process could be implemented and it would be consistent with efforts implemented in other cities. However, a significant level of uncertainty would arise in preparing such estimates without specific data on BMP designs and activities for each strategy as well as site specific information about where they would be implemented.

The next best evaluation strategy for the Division at present would entail a simplified assessment of the likely *existence* of quantifiable benefits for each strategy. In this report, we have evaluated the degree to which benefits can be quantified and potentially monetized for each type of strategy. Drawing from the previous tables in Chapter 4, the results of this assessment are shown in Table 18. A “Yes” in one of the table cells indicates that there would be sufficient evidence to quantifiably determine the value of a strategy, provided that information about the strategy and implementation location is better understood. In this high-level summary, it may be assumed that if a quantifiable benefit exists, they would be large enough to generate observable public value and influence decisions accordingly.

These initial findings however must be developed in more detail to provide practical use in prioritizing strategies for the Division. In particular, the feasibility of estimating benefits must be assessed for each individually identified strategy (see Appendix 2), not its strategy group as shown in Table 18. With this information, the Division can establish an initial indication of specific strategies that provide the best value. This effort is planned for phase two of this project.

Table 18: Summary of Evidence for Estimating Benefits for Structural and Nonstructural Strategies

Strategy	Structural			Nonstructural			
	Green Infrastructure	Multitreatment Areas	Water Quality Improvement	Increase # Of Structural Systems	Improve Structural Systems Performance	Initiatives To Change Behavior	Initiatives To Reduce Pollutants Directly
Flood Risk Reduction	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	
Irrigation Cost Savings	YES			YES	YES	YES	
Energy Cost Savings	YES			YES		YES	YES
Air Particulate Entrainment	YES			YES		YES	YES
Climate Impacts	YES			YES		YES	YES
Habitat Related Benefits							
Air Quality Emission Reduction	YES			YES		YES	YES
GHG Emission Reduction	YES			YES		YES	YES
Heat Island Effect	YES	YES		YES	YES	YES	
Aesthetics	YES	YES		YES	YES	YES	YES
Recreational Benefits	YES	YES		YES	YES	YES	YES
Noise Reduction							

	Structural		Nonstructural				
Strategy	Green Infrastructure	Multituse Treatment Areas	Water Quality Improvement	Increase # Of Structural Systems	Improve Structural Systems Performance	Initiatives To Change Behavior	Initiatives To Reduce Pollutants Directly
Business Development & Jobs	YES			YES	YES	YES	YES
Crime Reduction							
Public Education/ Environmental Stewardship							

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Appendix 1: Benefit Calculations

This appendix discusses the quantitative calculations and data involved in estimating benefits for those categories which can be converted to monetary values, given site specific data. Benefit categories that can be readily quantified and monetized are discussed here. Benefit categories that are not included here are: Habitat Creation Benefits, Heat Island Effects, and Environmental Awareness / Stewardship.

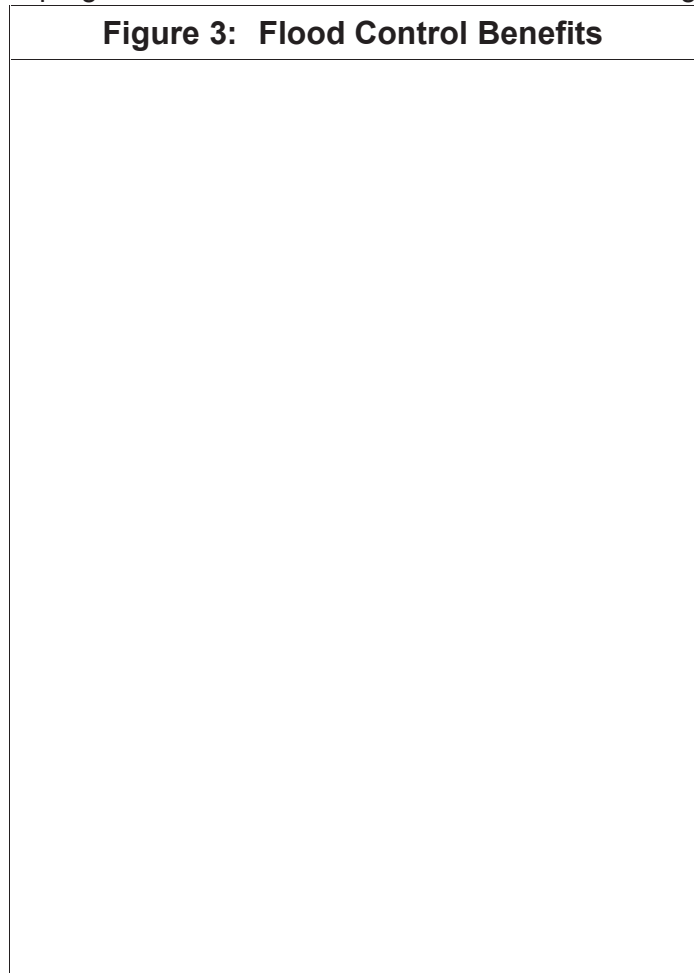
Flood Risk Reduction Benefits

By reducing the volume of storm water runoff, the proposed strategies can reduce the frequency and severity of flooding. The impact of green infrastructure on flooding is highly site and watershed specific, and thus this guide does not provide general instructions for quantifying the reduction in flood risk resulting from a green infrastructure program. There are several methods²⁰ for valuing the impact of flood control:

- Hedonic pricing to examine how flood risk is priced into real estate markets;
- Insurance premiums paid for flood damage insurance as a proxy for the value of reducing the risk of flood damage;
- Avoided damage cost approach; and
- Contingent valuation methods

The diagram presents a high level overview of how the benefits could be monetized. The 'Increase in Flood Control' could be monetized using any of the methods suggested above. Some methods have more robust information than others. CNT recommends using a range of 2–5 percent property value increase for removal from the floodplain (CNT, 2010).

Figure 3: Flood Control Benefits



²⁰ Downstream Economic Benefits From Storm-Water Management. Journal of Water Resources Planning and Management. Braden, J.B. and D.M. Johnston. November/December, 2004

Irrigation Cost Savings

The method for determining the irrigation cost savings begins with quantifying the reduction in water demand from utilities based on the amount that is harvested on site.

This amount can be calculated by using the various water retention factors for the various green infrastructure and multiplying by the annual precipitation.

A diagram is provided here that determines benefits of retention based on cost avoidance. This information would be used in calculating the Decrease in Potable Water. The cost of the water would be derived from local utilities.

Figure 4: Irrigation Cost Savings

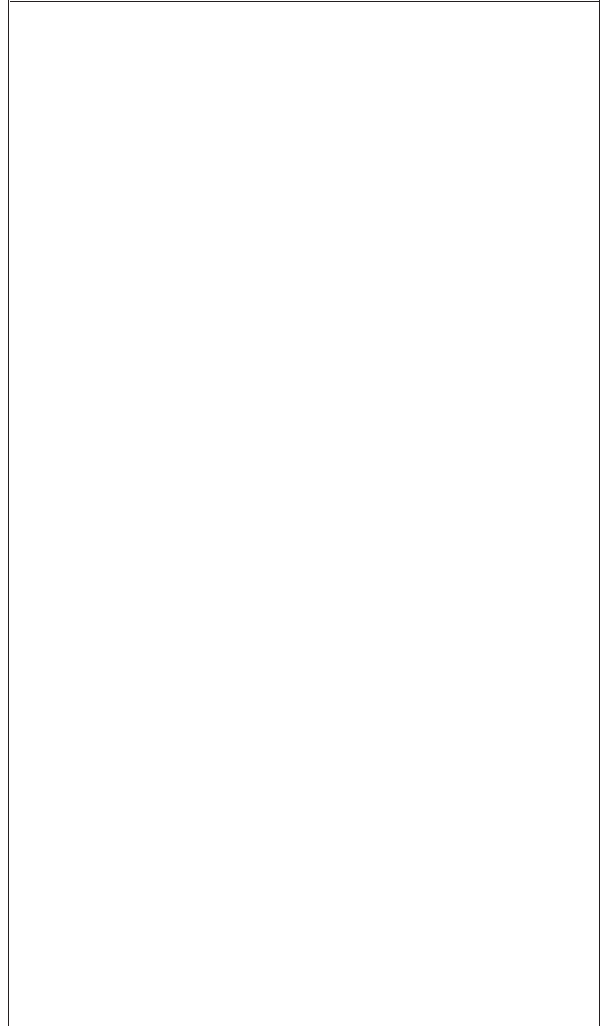


Table 19: Green Infrastructure Retention Parameters

	Amount Retained	Unit	Scale
Water Harvesting	0.62	Gallons of runoff	Per inch of Rain

Source: CNT, 2010, McPherson, E. et al. 2006

Energy Cost Savings

The most important step in this calculation will be the reduced energy needs which will depend on the number of buildings which will benefit from the temperature control provided by green infrastructure and LID and the scale of LID/GI implementation. The data on the physical characteristics of GI to insulate or reduce energy use are provided as well.

The first step to valuing the benefits of reduced energy use is determining the amount of energy saved by BMP. The benefit of energy savings can be terms of kilowatt hours (kWh) of electricity and British thermal units (Btu) of natural gas reduced.

As noted, the total reduction is very specific to the type of improvement/change. The actual benefits realized in terms of energy savings due to the implementation of a green roof will be significantly impacted by the following variables:

- Growing media composition, depth and moisture content
- Plant coverage and type
- Building characteristics, energy loads and use schedules
- Local climate variables and rainfall distribution patterns

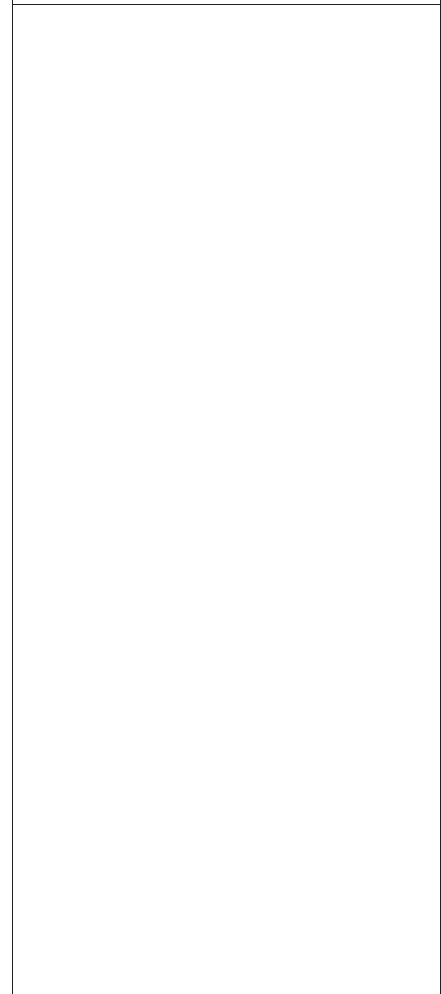
These characteristics will influence the R values for conventional and green roofs in region (which will be used to calculate the annual energy savings from reduced energy needs). Other data needs are:

- Annual number of cooling degree days (°F days) in your region
- Annual number of heating degree days (°F days) in your region

Having calculated the direct kWh and BTU saved in reduced building energy use, it is possible to assign a dollar value to these savings.

One may calculate the direct cost savings by multiplying the kilowatt hours or BTUs of electricity and natural gas, respectively, by local utility rates

Figure 5: Energy Cost Savings



Air Pollution Emission Reduction

Practices that indirectly lower emissions of air pollution include any practices that reduce energy consumption through decreased energy use in neighboring buildings or through reduced water treatment needs.

The kilowatt hours (or million BTUs) of reduced energy from the energy cost savings will be used in calculating the air pollution emission reduction benefit. The total amount of energy saved will be converted to the pounds of criteria pollutants reduced. The values, in dollars per pound, of the pollutants will come from existing guidance from the EPA and other sources that value these pollutants.

The EPA provides estimates for annual output emissions rates of national electricity production and natural gas:

Table 20: Sample Criteria Pollutant Emission Factors

Figure 6: Air Pollution Emission Reduction

Pollutant	lbs/kWh	lbs/Million Btu
NO ₂	0.001937	0.721
SO ₂	0.005259	0.266

Table 21: Costs of Pollutants

Pollutant	Value per lb
NO ₂	\$3.34
O ₃	\$3.34
SO ₂	\$2.06
PM-10	\$2.84

Source: CNT (2010), McPherson et al. (2006), Wang and Santini (1995)

Greenhouse Gas Emission Reduction

This benefit calculation follows the same methodology as the air pollution emission reduction benefit, only different conversion factors for CO₂ will be used, and different monetary values.

The amount of CO₂ emissions from power plants varies depending on the electricity source (e.g. coal, nuclear, wind, etc), so the EPA eGRID program should be consulted.

The CAMX subregion for 2010 has 932.82 lb per M Wh²¹.

The current recommended price of CO₂ is \$40 per metric ton²².

Figure 7: Greenhouse Gas Emission Reduction



²¹ <http://www.epa.gov/cleanenergy/energy-resources/egrid/>

²² Technical Support Document: Technical Update of the Social Cost of Carbon for Regulatory Impact Analysis Under Executive Order 12866 (May 2013; revised November 2013), page 18

Air Particle Entrainment

This section quantifies the direct uptake and deposition of air pollutants by green infrastructure and provides a framework for establishing value these impacts in monetary terms. The criteria pollutants addressed here are nitrogen dioxide (NO₂), ozone (O₃), sulfur dioxide (SO₂) and particulate matter of aerodynamic diameter of ten micrometers or fewer (PM-10).

Practices that provide a direct benefit of uptake and deposition include green roofs, trees and bio-infiltration. Similar to the methodology for emission cost savings from reduced energy use, the air particle entrainment benefits will quantify the amount (in pounds) of criteria pollutants removed from the environment. The total amount will depend on the scale of LID/GI and the type of GI. Table 22 provides values compiled by CNT

(2010) per square foot of green roof installed. It should be noted that local values should be used if available (CNT, 2010). Factors such as local climates will influence plants ability to grow, and climates with longer growing seasons will see greater air quality improvements than those with shorter ones. Additionally, trees provide benefits in a similar manner. The Forest Service *Tree Guides* provides information for trees for particular climate regions (Table 23).

Figure 8: Air Particle Entrainment

Table 22: Pollutant Removal Factors for Green Roofs

	Low (lbs/SF)	High (lbs/SF)
NO ₂	3.00x10 ⁻⁴	4.77x10 ⁻⁴
O ₃	5.88x10 ⁻⁴	9.20x10 ⁻⁴
SO ₂	2.29x10 ⁻⁴	4.06x10 ⁻⁴
PM-10	1.14x10 ⁻⁴	1.33x10 ⁻⁴

Table 23: Annual Criteria Pollutant Reductions, 40 year Average

	Small tree: Crabapple (22 ft tall, 21 ft spread)	Medium tree: Red Oak (40 ft tall, 27 ft spread)	Large tree: Hackberry (47 ft tall, 37 ft spread)
NO2	0.39 lbs	0.63 lbs	1.11 lbs
SO2	0.23 lbs	0.42 lbs	0.69 lbs
O3	0.15 lbs	0.2 lbs	0.28 lbs
PM-10	0.17 lbs	0.26 lbs	0.35 lbs

Carbon Sequestration

Similar to the air particle entrainment methodology, LID/GI can provide carbon sequestration benefits. The pounds of carbon sequestered per unit area depend on several local factors, including the specific practice, the types of species planted and the local climate.

For green roofs, the recommended range of grams of carbon sequestered per square meter from aboveground biomass, as determined by research synthesized in a Michigan State University report offers average carbon sequestration values provided by extensive green roofs' aboveground biomass (Getter et al. 2009).

Figure 9: Carbon Sequestration

Table 24: Green Roof Carbon Sequestration Rates

	Low (lbs/SF)	High (lbs/SF)
CO2	0.0332	0.0344

Table 25: Sample Carbon Sequestration Rates for Different Trees

Net CO2 (lbs)	Residential Yard Opposite West-Facing Wall	Residential Yard Opposite South-Facing Wall	Residential Yard Opposite East-Facing Wall	Public Tree on a Street or in a Park
Small tree: Crabapple (22 ft tall, 21 ft spread)	390	226	335	336
Medium tree: Red Oak (40 ft tall, 27 ft spread)	594	212	487	444
Large tree: Hackberry (47 ft tall, 37 ft spread)	911	665	806	735

Aesthetic Improvements

The current method to calculate the benefit of aesthetics is to look at the changes in property values due to LID/GI. While the research on this subject supports the belief that there is a positive (increase) in property value due to LID/GI, there is much uncertainty regarding the size and scale of that. The methodology for calculating this benefit is to apply a premium on property that will capitalize on the aesthetic benefits of LID/GI.

Street trees and urban vegetation have been estimated by realtors to add \$15,000 to \$25,000 in value to a property compared to similar areas with no trees. The NRDC notes that buildings with green roofs can rent at a 16% premium.²³ Additionally, the NRDC reports that Tyrväinen and Miettinen (2000) found that units in multifamily buildings with views of trees or forest cover can increase rents by as much as 4.9 percent (Wolf 2007)²⁴.

Figure 10: Aesthetic Improvements

Table 26: Premiums on Property Value due to Aesthetics

Action	Monetized Benefit	Location	Source
LID and proximity to trees and other vegetation	0 to 7% Increase in Property Value	Philadelphia, PA	Stratus 2009
LID of adjacent properties	3.5 to 5% Increase in Property Value	King County, WA	Ward et al. 2008

²³ Natural Resources Defense Council 2013

²⁴ Ibid

Recreation Benefits

The methodology for calculating this benefit will involve determining the total number of recreational users of the new LID/GI facilities and applying a monetary value per user to get total benefits.

The total number of users will be based on local information. The monetized value of recreational benefits comes from different research fields. Some research from the transportation literature suggests benefits can be determined on an individual user basis. A wide variety of studies of outdoor recreational activities (non-bicycling) generated typical values of about \$40 per day (in 2004 dollars).²⁵

The value of time is estimated based on US DOT guidance for TIGER VI. The value of time for personal travel is \$12.98 per hour. The benefit per trip for the appropriate facility is multiplied by the number of daily existing and induced commuters, and then

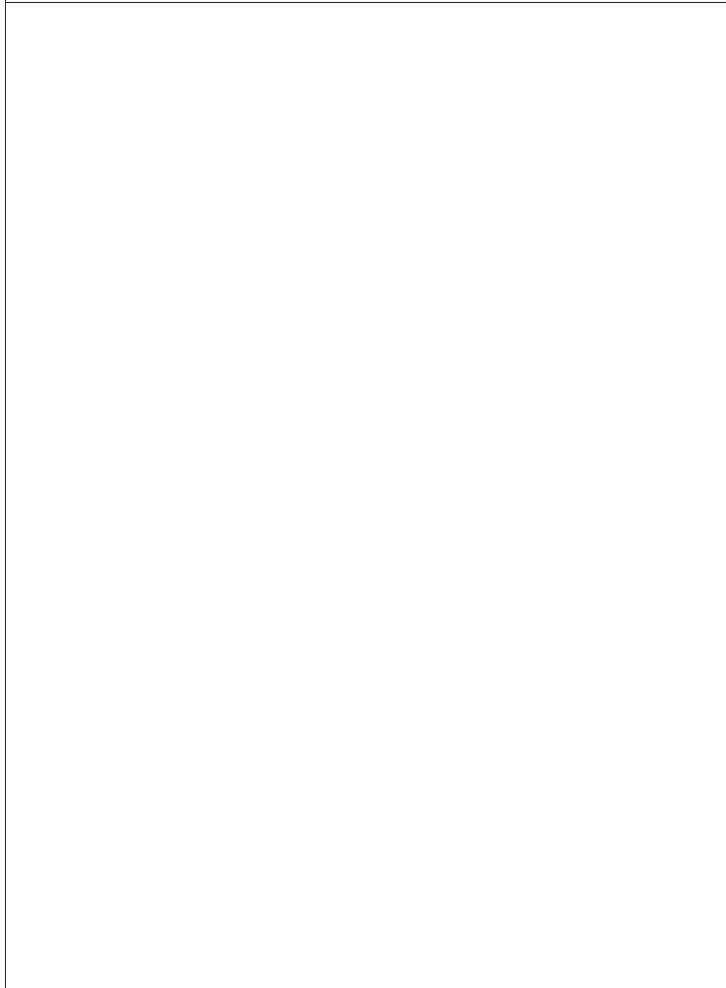
doubled to include trips both to and from work. This results in a daily mobility benefit.

A premium on the value of a trip is developed from the January 2010 UK's Department of Transport *Guidance on the Appraisal of Walking and Cycling Schemes*. This Guidance reports a premium value of an off-road bicycle track versus an on-road facility. Hopkinson & Wardman (1996) developed estimates of on-road segregated cycle lane assuming benefits of £0.02 per minute. This benefit is assigned to existing recreational cyclists that would enjoy the new bike facility's quality, comfort and convenience.

Crime Reduction Benefits

Residents living in "greener" surroundings report lower levels of fear, fewer incivilities, and less aggressive and violent behavior. While there is not literature with respect to

Figure 11: Recreation Benefits



²⁵ San Francisco County Transportation Authority Department of Parking and Traffic. *Maintain Bicycle Facilities (spreadsheet)*. 2004 2/28/2004, as cited in *Guidelines for Analyzing the Benefits and Costs of Bicycle Facilities*, Krizek et al., 2005.

monetizing this benefit, there is research that looks at quantifying the benefit of crime reduction do to a greener environment. This study was performed in a public housing complex in an urban environment, so the actual percentage reduction may not be the same in other areas.

However, that does not mean there is no impact on crime. A possible methodology is to look at current crime levels in areas where proposed LID/GI will occur, and apply a reduction, but smaller in size than those listed below.

	Areas with Medium Level of Vegetation	Areas with High Levels of Vegetation
Total Crimes	42%	52%
Property Crimes	40%	48%
Violent Crimes	44%	56%

Source: Environment and Crime in the Inner City: Does Vegetation Reduce Crime? Kuo & Sullivan. Environment and Behavior, Volume 33 No.3, May, 2001

Business Development Benefits

In areas where green streets lead to an enhanced the sense of place, and increase in foot and bicycle traffic can support retail development. Case studies by the New York City DOT examined before and after changes in Retail Sales Tax Filings, Commercial Leases & Rents, and City-Assessed Market Value. The study's methodology does not ultimately prove causality between the street improvement projects and any resulting economic changes; however, some locations of green street development saw a significant increase in retail sales compared to the changes in retail sales for the borough as a whole.

Researchers do believe that any benefits from the green streets will be fully realized 2 years after development, and so applying this growth to retail sales further in the future is not applicable.

We can apply these percentages to current retail sales of businesses located along areas that will be developed into green streets to see the potential impact on businesses.

Table 27: Increase in Retail Sales after Street Development

Area	Change in Sales Year 1	Change in Sales Year 2
Vanderbilt Ave	39%	59%
Borough	27%	19%
Area	Change in Sales Year 1	Change in Sales Year 2
St. Nicholas Avenue/Amsterdam	18%	48%
Borough	17%	39%

Job Creation Benefits

Determining the number of jobs created, and the economic impact of those jobs, is simply a function of the total amount spent on the program. In general, the larger the area (or economic base) the larger the impact. Direct, indirect and induced economic impacts from spending on the strategies can be calculated using Economic Impact Analysis models.

The creation of jobs, and such, salaries for the workers to spend, would also have tax impacts at the State, Local, and Federal government level.

Current guidance on a methodology from the Council of Economic Advisors' ²⁶ methodology as assumes that for every **\$76,923** of additional government spending, one job-year is created. A job-year means one job for one year. To estimate the employment impacts in terms of job-years one simply adds up the number of jobs created every year over the analysis period.

The number of jobs created is a division of the total spending by the CEA recommended value.

²⁶ Executive Office of the President, Council of Economic Advisers, "Estimates of Job Creation from the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009," Washington, D.C., May 11, 2009; and September 2011 Update.

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Appendix 2: Comprehensive List of Nonstructural Strategies

This list of strategies has been compiled from a review of each WAMP, CLRP and WQIP document

ID	NONSTRUCTURAL STRATEGY (Official Description)	Short Description	Category
Jurisdictional Runoff Management Program (JRMP) Strategies			
Development Planning			
<i>All Development Projects</i>			
1	For all development projects, administer a program to ensure implementation of source control BMPs to minimize pollutant generation at each project and implement low-impact development (LID) BMPs to maintain or restore hydrology of the area, where applicable and feasible.	For all development projects, ensure source control BMPs	Increasing # of BMPs or LIDs
2	Amend municipal code and ordinances, including zoning ordinances, to facilitate and encourage LID opportunities.	Amend municipal code to encourage LID	Increasing # of BMPs or LIDs
3	Train staff on LID regulatory changes and LID Design Manual.	Train staff on LID regulatory changes and LID Design Manual.	Increasing # of BMPs or LIDs
Priority Development Projects (PDPs)			
4	For PDPs, administer a program requiring implementation of on-site structural BMPs or LIDs to control pollutants and manage hydromodification. Includes confirmation of design, construction, and maintenance of PDP structural BMPs or LIDs.	For PDPs, require implementation of on-site structural BMPs or LIDs	Increasing # of BMPs or LIDs
5	Update BMP Design Manual procedures to determine nature and extent of storm water requirements applicable to development projects and to identify conditions of concern for selecting, designing, and maintaining appropriate structural BMPs or LIDs.	Update BMP Design Manual procedures	Improve / Maintain BMPs or LIDs
	1. Amend BMP Design Manual for trash areas. Require full four-sided enclosure, siting away from storm drains and cover. Consider the retrofit requirement.		Improve / Maintain BMPs or LIDs
	2. Amend BMP Design Manual for animal-related facilities.		Improve / Maintain BMPs or LIDs
	3. Amend BMP Design Manual for nurseries and garden centers.		Improve / Maintain BMPs or LIDs
	4. Amend BMP Design Manual for auto-related uses.		Improve / Maintain BMPs or LIDs

ID	NONSTRUCTURAL STRATEGY (Official Description)	Short Description	Category
6	Administer an alternative compliance program to on-site structural BMP implementation (includes identifying Watershed Management Area Analysis [WMAA] candidate projects).	Administer an alternative compliance program	Improve / Maintain BMPs or LIDs
	1. Develop a mitigation policy for public and private development projects that links development with mitigation within the same watershed.		Improve / Maintain BMPs or LIDs
	1a. Create an In-Lieu Fee		Improve / Maintain BMPs or LIDs
Construction Management			
7	Administer a program to oversee implementation of BMPs during the construction phase of land development. Includes inspections at an appropriate frequency and enforcement of requirements.	Oversee implementation of BMPs during the construction	Improve / Maintain BMPs or LIDs
Existing Development			
<i>Commercial, Industrial, Municipal, and Residential Facilities and Areas</i>			
8	Administer a program to require implementation of minimum BMPs for existing development (commercial, industrial, municipal, and residential) that are specific to the facility, area types, and PGAs, as appropriate. Includes inspecting existing development at appropriate frequencies and using appropriate methods. (Inspections for PGAs of concern: Vehicle Washing area inspections and inspections for food-related businesses, animal-related businesses, nurseries and garden centers, and auto-related businesses.)	Require implementation of minimum BMPs for existing development	Improve / Maintain BMPs or LIDs
	1. Update minimum BMPs for existing residential, commercial, and industrial development and enforce them.		Improve / Maintain BMPs or LIDs
	2. Design, implement, and enforce property- and PGA-based inspections.		Improve / Maintain BMPs or LIDs
	1. Review policies and procedures to ensure discharges from swimming pools meet permit requirements.		Improve / Maintain BMPs or LIDs
	3. Develop a self-reporting inspection option for select industrial and commercial facilities.		Improve / Maintain BMPs or LIDs
9	Implement pet waste program. May include installation and maintenance of pet waste bag dispensers and trash bins, signage and education, physical removal of pet waste, or enforcement.	Implement pet waste program	Changing Behavior to reduce pollutants at the source
10	Promote and encourage implementing designated BMPs at residential areas.	Promote and encourage implementing designated BMPs at residential areas.	Increasing # of BMPs or LIDs

ID	NONSTRUCTURAL STRATEGY (Official Description)	Short Description	Category
	1. Expand residential BMP (irrigation, rainwater harvesting, and turf conversion) rebate programs to multi-family housing in target areas.		Increasing # of BMPs or LIDs
	2. Residential BMP: Rain Barrel		Increasing # of BMPs or LIDs
	3. Residential BMP: Irrigation Control (Turf Conversion)		Increasing # of BMPs or LIDs
	4. Residential BMP: Downspout Disconnect		Increasing # of BMPs or LIDs
	5. Provide financial incentives to property owners to convert landscaping to site-specific native plants.		Increasing # of BMPs or LIDs
11	Develop pilot project to identify and carry out site disconnections in targeted areas.	Develop pilot project to identify and carry out site disconnections in targeted areas.	Increasing # of BMPs or LIDs
12	Identify and reduce incidents of power washing discharges from nonresidential sites.	Identify and reduce incidents of power washing discharges from nonresidential sites.	Changing Behavior to reduce pollutants at the source
13	Promote and encourage implementation of designated BMPs in nonresidential areas.	Promote and encourage implementation of designated BMPs in nonresidential areas.	Increasing # of BMPs or LIDs
14	Proactively monitor for erosion, and complete minor repair and slope stabilization on municipal property.	Monitor for erosion, and slope stabilization on municipal property.	Increasing # of BMPs or LIDs
<i>MS4 Infrastructure</i>			
15	Implement operation and maintenance activities (inspection and cleaning) for MS4 and related structures (catch basins, storm drain inlets, detention basins, etc.).	Implement operation and maintenance activities	Removing pollutants or sources directly
	1. Optimize catch basin cleaning to maximize pollutant removal.		Removing pollutants or sources directly
	2. Proactively repair and replace MS4 components to provide source control from MS4 infrastructure.		Removing pollutants or sources directly
	3. Increase frequency of open-channel cleaning and scour pond repair to reduce pollutant loads.		Removing pollutants or sources directly

ID	NONSTRUCTURAL STRATEGY (Official Description)	Short Description	Category
16	Implement controls to prevent infiltration of sewage into the MS4 from leaking sanitary sewers.	Implement controls to prevent infiltration of sewage into the MS4	Removing pollutants or sources directly
	1. Identify sewer leaks and areas for sewer pipe replacement prioritization.		Removing pollutants or sources directly
<i>Roads, Streets, and Parking Lots</i>			
17	Implement operation and maintenance activities for public streets, unpaved roads, paved roads, and paved highways.	Implement operation and maintenance activities for public streets	Removing pollutants or sources directly
	1. Enhance street sweeping through equipment replacement and route optimization.		Removing pollutants or sources directly
	2. Initiate sweeping of medians on high-volume arterial roadways.		Removing pollutants or sources directly
	3. Increase maintenance on access roads and trails.		Removing pollutants or sources directly
18	Require sweeping and maintenance of private roads and parking lots in targeted areas.	Require sweeping and maintenance of private roads and parking lots in targeted areas.	Removing pollutants or sources directly
19	Identify sites for pilot study to test Permeable Friction Course (PFC), which is a porous asphalt that overlays impermeable asphalt.	Identify sites for pilot study to test Permeable Friction Course (PFC)	Increasing # of BMPs or LIDs
<i>Pesticide, Herbicides, and Fertilizer Program</i>			
20	Require implementation of BMPs to address application, storage, and disposal of pesticides, herbicides, and fertilizers on commercial, industrial, and municipal properties. Includes education, permits, and certifications.	Require BMPs to address pesticides, herbicides, and fertilizers issues	Changing Behavior to reduce pollutants at the source
<i>Retrofit and Rehabilitation in Areas of Existing Development</i>			
21	Develop and implement a strategy to identify candidate areas of existing development appropriate for retrofitting projects and facilitate the implementation of such projects.	Identify candidate areas for retrofitting projects	Increasing # of BMPs or LIDs

ID	NONSTRUCTURAL STRATEGY (Official Description)	Short Description	Category
22	Develop and implement a strategy to identify candidate areas of existing development for stream, channel, or habitat rehabilitation projects and facilitate implementation of such projects.	Identify areas for stream, channel, or habitat rehabilitation projects	Increasing # of BMPs or LIDs
IDDE Program			
23	Implement Illicit Discharge, Detection, and Elimination (IDDE) Program per the JRMPS. Requirements include maintaining an MS4 map, using municipal personnel and contractors to identify and report illicit discharges, maintaining a hotline for publicly reporting illicit discharges, monitoring MS4 outfalls, and investigating and addressing any illicit discharges.	Implement Illicit Discharge, Detection, and Elimination (IDDE) Program	Changing Behavior to reduce pollutants at the source
Public Education and Participation			
24	Implement a public education and participation program to promote and encourage development of programs, management practices, and behaviors that reduce pollutant discharge in storm water prioritized by high-risk behaviors, pollutants of concern, and target audiences.	Implement a public education and participation program	Changing Behavior to reduce pollutants at the source
	1. Expand outreach to homeowners' association (HOA) common lands and HOA rebates.		Changing Behavior to reduce pollutants at the source
	2. Develop an outreach and training program for property managers responsible for HOAs and maintenance districts.		Changing Behavior to reduce pollutants at the source
	3. Conduct trash cleanups through community-based organizations involving target audiences.		Changing Behavior to reduce pollutants at the source
	4. Target human behavior in parks and other public areas including trash reduction or other high-impact behavior to habitat, wildlife, and water quality.		Changing Behavior to reduce pollutants at the source
	5. Improve consistency and content of websites to highlight enforceable conditions and reporting methods.		Changing Behavior to reduce pollutants at the source

ID	NONSTRUCTURAL STRATEGY (Official Description)	Short Description	Category
	6. Contribute to San Diego County-led effort through regional education group for outreach, education, and policy measures for the equestrian community and property owners.		Changing Behavior to reduce pollutants at the source
	1. Develop a targeted education and outreach program for homeowners adjacent to or with tributaries or streams within their property.		Changing Behavior to reduce pollutants at the source
	1. Develop a targeted education and outreach program for homeowners with orchards or other agricultural land uses on their property.		Changing Behavior to reduce pollutants at the source
	2. Enhance school and recreation-based education and outreach		Changing Behavior to reduce pollutants at the source
	3. Develop education and outreach to reduce over-irrigation		Changing Behavior to reduce pollutants at the source
	7. Develop regional training for water-using mobile businesses.		Changing Behavior to reduce pollutants at the source
25	Enhance education and outreach based on results of effectiveness survey and changing regulatory requirements.	Enhance education and outreach	Changing Behavior to reduce pollutants at the source
26	Provide technical education and outreach to the development community on the design and implementation requirements of the MS4 Permit and Water Quality Improvement Plan requirements.	Technical education and outreach on the MS4 Permit and WQIP	Changing Behavior to reduce pollutants at the source
Enforcement Response Plan			
27	Implement escalating enforcement responses to compel compliance with statutes, ordinances, permits, contracts, orders, and other requirements for IDDE, development planning, construction management, and existing development in the Enforcement Response Plan.	Implement escalating enforcement responses to compel compliance	Changing Behavior to reduce pollutants at the source

ID	NONSTRUCTURAL STRATEGY (Official Description)	Short Description	Category
	1. Increase enforcement of over-irrigation.		Changing Behavior to reduce pollutants at the source
	2. Focus locally on enforcement of water-using mobile businesses.		Changing Behavior to reduce pollutants at the source
28	Increase identification and enforcement of actionable erosion and slope stabilization issues on private property and require stabilization and repair.	Enforcement of actionable erosion and slope stabilization issues	Increasing # of BMPs or LIDs
Optional Strategies			
29	Continue participating in source reduction initiatives. (Varies. For example, the Brake Pad Partnership is existing. Considered may be a plastic bag ban, banning leaf blowers, banning pesticides or herbicide.)	Continue participating in source reduction initiatives.	Changing Behavior to reduce pollutants at the source
30	Develop a program to address and capture trash and debris.	Develop a program to address and capture trash and debris.	Removing pollutants or sources directly
31	Support partnership efforts by social service providers to provide sanitation and trash management for persons experiencing homelessness.	Sanitation and trash management for persons experiencing homelessness.	Removing pollutants or sources directly
32	Protect areas that are functioning naturally.	Protect areas that are functioning naturally.	Removing pollutants or sources directly
	1. Develop a policy to avoid additional hardscape development and degradation in unpaved open space areas.		Removing pollutants or sources directly
	2. Add permanent open space protections to undeveloped city-owned land.		Removing pollutants or sources directly
	3. Acquire privately owned undeveloped parcels of land.		Removing pollutants or sources directly
	Mapping and risk assessment of agricultural operations.		Removing pollutants or sources directly

ID	NONSTRUCTURAL STRATEGY (Official Description)	Short Description	Category
	Implement a program to target on-site wastewater treatment (septic) systems. May include mapping and risk assessment, inspection, or maintenance practices.		Removing pollutants or sources directly
	Removal of invasive plants and animals.		Removing pollutants or sources directly
33	Conduct a feasibility study to determine if implementing an urban tree canopy (UTC) program would benefit water quality and other goals.	Conduct a feasibility study on urban tree canopy (UTC) program	Increasing # of BMPs or LIDs
	Investigate alternative pollutant removal or treatment strategies such as fungus used to remove soil contaminants.		Removing pollutants or sources directly
34	Conduct special studies to gather additional monitoring information about priority conditions or beneficial uses. (Monitoring may include investigative measures such as genetic tracking for bacteria sources or geomorphic studies for sediment sources or processes. - LOS PEN)	Gather monitoring information about priority conditions or beneficial uses	Improve / Maintain BMPs or LIDs
35	Collaborate with entities potentially including, but not limited to:	Collaborate with entities potentially including, but not limited to:	Improve / Maintain BMPs or LIDs
	• Departments within the same Responsible Agency.		Improve / Maintain BMPs or LIDs
	• Other governmental agencies such as water, transportation, or public health agencies.		Improve / Maintain BMPs or LIDs
	• Nongovernmental agencies such as environmental and community groups and private corporations.		Improve / Maintain BMPs or LIDs
	• Dischargers regulated under other permits including the Phase II National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) Permit, Industrial General Permit, and Construction General Permit.		Improve / Maintain BMPs or LIDs
	Collaboration may take the form of joint participation in stakeholder meetings, studies or development studies or BMPs, hiring of a Watershed Coordinator to facilitate communication between community groups and the City, formation of a City Watershed team to protect and restore the watershed, or participating in existing groups, such as Integrated Regional Water Management (IRWM) groups.		Improve / Maintain BMPs or LIDs
	1. Funding for collaborative strategies may include providing in-kind services, shared costs through agreements, and preparation and competition for grant funding.		Improve / Maintain BMPs or LIDs

San Dieguito River WMA Water Quality Improvement Plan
Appendix L – Comprehensive Benefits Analysis of Water Quality Improvement Plan Strategies
November 2014

ID	NONSTRUCTURAL STRATEGY (Official Description)	Short Description	Category
Added			
	Vehicle Washing areas supplemental standards		Improve / Maintain BMPs or LIDs
	Keeping of large animals		Improve / Maintain BMPs or LIDs
	Xeriscaping, turf conversion and other irrigation, pesticide and fertilizer reduction (Caltrans specific. CLRP P. E-19)		Changing Behavior to reduce pollutants at the source
	Garden and landscape practices (primarily for Contractors. Otherwise covered in W.)		Changing Behavior to reduce pollutants at the source
	Increase street sweeping frequency (otherwise covered in P.)		Improve / Maintain BMPs or LIDs
	Rebates/Incentives to residential and non-residential. (Otherwise covered in J.)		Improve / Maintain BMPs or LIDs

Notes: Purple highlighting where there was a modification between the "Potential Strategies" documents.

Appendix 3: Workshop Summary

This section includes the presentation provided to the stakeholders, which guided discussion on benefits. Stakeholder comments were written down post workshop and sent back to the Division for consideration. These comments are included below.

Workshop Presentation

WQIP Strategies Workshop
Sustainable Return on Investment
City of San Diego Storm Water Division
May 20, 2014

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Welcome and Introductions

- Opening remarks
- Introductions

Workshop Purpose

Receive input on which co-benefits should be considered

- Explain the *Sustainable Return on Investment (SROI)* Process
- Explain how the SROI will be incorporated into the WQIPs
- Discuss project schedule and next steps

Workshop Ground Rules

- Listen to understand
- Everyone's perspective is valued
- Everyone has an equal opportunity to participate

Agenda

- Background on Strategies
- Purpose of SROI
- Schedule
- Considerations in Prioritization of Strategies
- Introduction to SROI
- Application of SROI to WQIP Strategies
- Breakout Session on Co-benefits
- Next Steps

Background on Strategies

July 2012	Initial strategies developed for the Comprehensive Load Reductions Plans (CLRPs) to meet TMDL requirements
July 2013	Strategies refined as part of the CLRP updates
April 2014	Strategies updated again through the WQIP public participation process resulting in the "Potential Water Quality Improvement Strategies" documents

Schedule

May 20, 2014	Co-benefit Workshop
May 27, 2014	Comments on Co-benefits Due
June - August 2014	Preliminary SROI Analysis
Late August, 2014 (tentative)	SROI Workshop Review
September, 2014	Finalize Analysis
Late September 2014	Potential Changes to WQIP Strategies (non-structural)

Choices

Co-benefits

Improve Water Quality

Generate Co-Benefits

- Ecosystem habitat
- Visual aesthetics
- Energy Operations Savings
- Air pollution reduction
- Education / Stewardship

How to choose

- Desirable Elements of Decisions
 - Quantitative measures
 - Transparent assessment
 - Objective evidence
 - Account for uncertainty
 - Provide best value

Ultimately... need to know:
What is the best value?
How do you know?

Introduction to Sustainable Return on Investment (SROI) Process

- Best practices:
 - Objective, theory-based
 - Peer-reviewed evidence
 - Life cycle monetary outcomes
 - Accounts for uncertainty
 - Avoids double-counting
- Key Features:
 - Comprehensive
 - Transparent analysis
 - Impact distribution
 - Adaptable to local conditions
 - Decision metrics that matter

SROI: A Four Step Process

- Step 1: Determine Co-Benefits**
 - Determine key performance metrics
- Step 2: Preliminary Analysis**
 - Research and analyze potential project performance
- Step 3: Stakeholder Workshop**
 - Review methods, metrics and risks
- Step 4: Quantitative Analysis**
 - Generate results for decision making

Application of SROI to Prioritizing Potential Strategies

- Identify types of co-benefits (examples)
 - Ecosystem habitat
 - Visual aesthetics
 - Energy Operations Savings
 - Air pollution reduction
 - Education / Stewardship
- Identify methods of valuation
 - Salaries/Payroll
 - Established Quantifier
 - Quantified Impacts
 - Established Equation
 - Monetized Value of Co-Benefits

Alignment of Strategies to Co-Benefits

	Economic	Environmental	Societal (Quality of Life)
Structural Strategy (Examples)			
Green roof	Measurable and Monetizable Benefit	Measurable Benefit	Perceived Benefit
HOW bio-swales (with trees)	Measurable and Monetizable Benefit	Measurable Benefit	Perceived Benefit
Large Bio-retention Facilities	Measurable and Monetizable Benefit	Measurable Benefit	Perceived Benefit
Porous pavement	Measurable and Monetizable Benefit	Measurable Benefit	Perceived Benefit

⊗ Measurable and Monetizable Benefit
 × Measurable Benefit
 ○ Perceived Benefit

Potential Structural Strategies

- **Green Infrastructure**
 - Green streets, permeable pavement, etc.
- **Multiuse Treatment Areas**
 - Infiltration and detention basins, stream rehabilitation, etc.
- **Water Quality Improvement**
 - Trash segregation, Proprietary BMPs, etc.

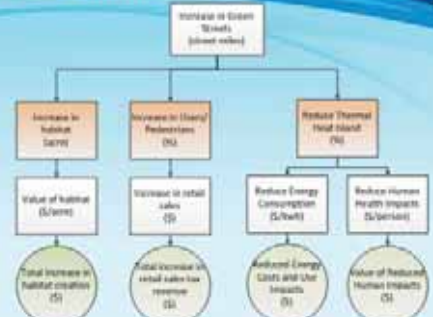


Co-Benefits of Green Streets

- » **Unit of Measure**
 - » Street miles of improvements
- » **Drivers of Impact**
 - » Water retained
 - » Type of improvement (trees, etc.)
- » **Key Co-Benefits**
 - » Habitat creation
 - » Business investment
 - » Human health improvement
 - » Energy Reduction



Green Streets Co-Benefit Calculations



Potential Non-Structural Strategies

- » **Increase # of structural systems**
 - Training, promotion, etc.
- » **Improve structural systems performance**
 - Design codes, monitor, etc.
- » **Initiatives to change behavior**
 - Education, enforcement, outreach, reduced pesticides, etc.
- » **Initiatives to reduce pollutants directly**
 - Street sweeping, protect natural areas, etc.



Co-Benefits of Water Harvesting Strategy



- » **Unit of Measure**
 - » Reduction in stormwater runoff
- » **Drivers of Impact**
 - » Less water processed
- » **Key Co-Benefits**
 - » Reduced water consumption, less municipal water diversion
 - » Reduced energy use and air pollution, GHG impacts

Water Harvesting Co-Benefit Calculations

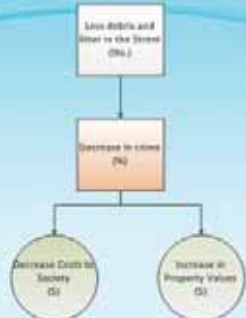


Co-Benefits of Education / Promotion of Think Blue Campaign



- » **Unit of Measure**
 - » # of people reached
- » **Drivers of Impact**
 - » # of people who reduce litter
- » **Key Co-Benefits**
 - » Improved residential neighborhoods aesthetics
 - » Increase in business investment
 - » reduction in crime

Think Blue Program Co-Benefit Calculations (Partial)



- **Evidence**
 - Cleaner environments leads to decrease in crime
 - Urban housing with higher levels of vegetation and clean street showed decline in crime in nearby buildings

Breakout Session

Property Owners	General Public	Other
Aesthetics	Recreational	
Flood Control	Human Health	
Business Investment	Stewardship	
Environmental	Heat Island	
Green House Gas Reductions	Air Quality	
Habitat Creation	Crime Reduction	
Operational Cost Savings		
Soil Stabilization	Jobs	

Next Steps

- Incorporate workshop feedback to draft co-benefits
- Form working group to link co-benefits to strategies
- Preliminary analysis
- Workshop review
- Final analysis
- Consider changes to WQIP

Closing Remarks

Questions?

Thanks for your participation!

Workshop Handout:

Water Quality Improvement Plans Co-Benefits Description Workbook

Co-Benefit: Aesthetics

Description: Visually appealing environments in communities, especially neighboring properties

Unit of Measure: Area of BMPs or Reduction in Street Debris

Drivers of Value: # and Type of BMP, # of Affected Properties, Proximity to BMP, % increase in Property Value

Unit of Value: \$ increase per property

Comments:

Co-Benefit: Air Quality

Description: Reduction of pollutants which cause health impacts

Unit of Measure: Tons of Pollutant

Drivers of Value: Reduction in Energy Use, Increase in Absorption of Air Pollutants

Unit of Value: \$ per ton of pollutant reduced

Comments:

Co-Benefit: Business Development

Description: Increase in investment and revenue in clean, walkable environments

Unit of Measure: Area of BMPs or Reduction in Street Debris

Drivers of Value: # and Type of BMP, # of Affected Properties,
Proximity to BMP, % pedestrian activity

Unit of Value: \$ increase in retail sales

Comments:

Co-Benefit: Crime Reduction

Description: Clean/green neighborhoods reduce incidents

Unit of Measure: Area of BMPs or Reduction in Street Debris

Drivers of Value: # and Type of BMP, # of Affected Properties,
Proximity to BMP, % decrease in crime incidents

Unit of Value: \$ per incident reduced

Comments:

Co-Benefit: Environmental Stewardship

Description: Increased awareness and environmental responsibility

Unit of Measure: # of persons educated

Drivers of Value: Population

Unit of Value: # of persons educated

Comments:

Co-Benefit: Flood control

Description: Reduced flood risk

Unit of Measure: Area of BMPs or Reduction in Street Debris

Drivers of Value: \$ Cost per flood

Unit of Value: \$ per flood damage reduced

Comments:

Co-Benefit: Green House Gas Reduction

Description: Reduction of CO₂

Unit of Measure: Tons of CO₂

Drivers of Value: Reduction in Energy Use, Increase in Carbon Sequestration

Unit of Value: \$ per ton of CO₂ reduced

Comments:

Co-Benefit: Habitat Creation

Description: Protection or Creation of habitats

Unit of Measure: Area of BMPs or Reduction in Street Debris

Drivers of Value: Acres of urban habitat protected/create

Unit of Value: \$ per reduced heat related illness

Comments:

Co-Benefit: Heat Island Reduction

Description: Reduced ambient temperatures

Unit of Measure: Area of BMPs

Drivers of Value: # of Reduced Heating Degrees Days

Unit of Value: \$ benefits from reduction in health

Comments:

Co-Benefit: Jobs

Description: Increase in # of local jobs in installation and maintenance

Unit of Measure: Capital & Maintenance Expenditures

Drivers of Value: \$ spent

Unit of Value: Number of jobs created

Comments:

Co-Benefit: Operational Savings

Description: Reduction in energy use to process water

Unit of Measure: Gallons of water reduced

Drivers of Value: Cost per gallon processed

Unit of Value: \$ per gallon of Water Reduced

Comments:

Co-Benefit: Public Health

Description: Reduced exposure to pesticides and other chemicals

Unit of Measure: Area of BMPs or Reduction in Street Debris

Drivers of Value: # and Type of BMP, Ton of chemicals reduced

Unit of Value: \$ per ton of chemicals reduced

Comments:

Co-Benefit: Recreation

Description: Increase in walkable environment

Unit of Measure: Size of recreational facility

Drivers of Value: Number of Recreational Users

Unit of Value: \$ per recreational user

Comments:

Co-Benefit: Soil Stabilization

Description: Reduction in soil erosion

Unit of Measure: Area of BMPs or Reduction in Street Debris

Drivers of Value: Acres of Stabilized Soil, Cost of Land Damage

Unit of Value: \$ per acre of soil protect

Comments:

Workshop Comments Received

	Structural		
	Green Infrastructure (co-benefits)	Multi-Treatment Areas	Water Quality Improvements
1	Given that on the mesas, we have mostly clay soils that do not absorb storm water runoff, some of these potentials are limited. However, implementation of cisterns, vegetated filter strips, etc. have the potential to * Decrease flood risks as water is released into existing creeks over a longer period of time * Improve habitat as habitat is changing due to excessive water from urban run off (especially dry weather run off) * Dry water flow diversions will also reduce the excessive flows in many of our streams (compared to historical conditions)		
2	Topographic Blending of BMP/IMP approaches: upper watershed, mid, lower, coast Need to think beyond MS4 Parkways/sidewalks as filters, volume reduction, peakflow	Athletic Fields Parks - temp flooding, sediment capture	Micro - capture/treat; avoid regional systems Let habitat/green space do treatment
3	Comprehensive approach to improve water quality, reduce storm runoff and dry weather flows while providing education/outreach, as well as improving quality of life (improved feeling of “wellness”, reduction in health costs associated with polluted and/or stressful environments). Weight native landscapes (endemic to location) to give higher value than standard palette approach that uses species that excel in erosion control and/or coverage to meet landscaping sign off criteria as quickly as possible	Construct facilities (e.g. detention basins) that are specifically designed for the location versus “cookie-cutter” approach to design and implementation. Favor designs that can be passively converted back to native landscapes (e.g. basin becomes a wetland). Weight native landscapes (endemic to location) to give higher value than standard palette approach that uses species that excel in erosion control and/or coverage to meet landscaping sign off criteria as quickly as possible. Factor in maintenance needs (costs, access, mitigation, permits) and responsibilities into design and implementation. Consult with other divisions and departments within the City, as well as consultation with key stakeholder groups (neighboring communities, jurisdictions, NGOs that include	KEY CO-BENEFITS - Eliminating dry weather flows and reducing peak flows of storm runoff will provide a suite of co-benefits. Freshwater itself causes problems when inputs become perennial (e.g. habitat conversion, non-native species introduction and establishment, vector breeding habitat). More effective management and (hopeful) elimination of dry weather inputs could provide co-benefits by reducing the aforementioned impacts and assist in efforts to mitigate and, eventually, remediate them. Eliminating dry weather inputs will be needed for compliance for the Los Penasquitos Lagoon’s Sediment TMDL, since restoring salt marsh habitat within the lagoon in areas recently converted to brackish/freshwater habitat is one of the key compliance targets. Eliminating dry weather flows will also assist in compliance with the County-wide bacteria TMDL, since many “hot spots” are created or exacerbated by dry weather flows. Peak flows of storm runoff augmented by MS4 design or placement can create

	Structural		
	Green Infrastructure (co-benefits)	Multi-Treatment Areas	Water Quality Improvements
		non-profit management entities) to avoid conflicts in BMP implementation that include violation of NPDES permits, TMDLs, downstream impacts to receiving water bodies and valued habitats, creation of breeding habitat for harmful vectors, etc.	another suite of nasty things with regard to water quality that include loaded and delivery of contaminants to receiving water bodies, as well as contribute greatly to erosion and downstream sedimentation that create additional maintenance costs (e.g. digging out a box culvert or clearing sediment from a street) and can impact sensitive habitats that include receiving water bodies. Managing peak flows will also be needed to comply with the Lagoon's sediment TMDL, the county-wide bacteria TMDL, and load reductions for constituents of concern and other harmful pollutants (e.g. pyrethroids) that cause impacts but have yet to be labeled "constituent of concern."
		Follow a comprehensive approach that considers benefits and impacts of both individual BMPs and a network of BMPs implemented throughout the watershed, including 9 receiving water body and valued habitats. Avoid knee-jerk reaction of putting out fires at specific locations. Rather, develop a comprehensive and adaptive approach that can be phased in over time to address water-quality priorities throughout their stages (shortterm, mid-term, long-term), take advantage of windows of opportunities (e.g. grant funding ops) and efficiently use available funding while setting up justification for future (and, when needed continuous) funding needs.	Co-benefits of water quality improvements will need to consider improving the conditions of receiving water bodies (reduced bacteria loads, loss of functional habitats native to the region) rather than box checking to meet compliance targets (reduction of % of load by certain date, sending X amount of educational fliers out to communities). This will most likely involve consideration of qualitative data at some point, which should be captured some how (e.g. using it to weight criteria or alternatives under consideration. 10 Need to internalize costs associated with unintended and/or offsite consequences. For example - habitat conversion or creation of vector breeding habitat as a result of lowflow diversion that simply moves dry weather runoff somewhere else instead of addressing source(s) of the dry weather flows.
4	Possible portable water purification systems that operates on solar/wind energy	Treat the water before it enters the main body of water (canal, creek, river, lagoon, bay, ocean) by means of detention ponds, catch basins, vaults, diversion systems, sump wells, or any underground storage unit.	Removing bacteria and metals that are associated with trash and run-off.
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	Non-Structural			
	Increase Number of Structural Systems (co-benefits)	Improve Structural System Performance	Initiatives to Change Behavior (co-benefits)	Reduce Pollutants directly
1	Stream and/or habitat rehabilitation projects will increase biological diversity and provide more nature in our neighborhoods. Multi-treatment areas when focused on habitat restoration will enhance recreational opportunities, improve air quality, enhance aesthetics, contribute to heat island reduction, create jobs for upkeep and maintenance and providing living laboratories for our children to take their classroom learning into the field.		Initiatives to educate public and professional users of pesticides, herbicides and fertilizers will increase human health. Requiring interagency teams to deal with issues of homelessness will increase public safety while at the same time reducing feces and other toxic substances in our water. Initiatives to encourage proper disposal of pet waste will increase human health Initiatives to more quickly remove trash from recreational areas to keep them out of surface water will also improve recreational experiences and increase human health by limiting the amount of food available to rodents and hence reduce the rat population. Insuring that trash containers are available in all areas will keep trash out of surface water and will also improve recreational experiences and increase human health by limiting the amount of food available to rodents and hence reduce the rat population.	

	Non-Structural			
	Increase Number of Structural Systems (co-benefits)	Improve Structural System Performance	Initiatives to Change Behavior (co-benefits)	Reduce Pollutants directly
2	School Curriculum, Incentives			
3	Improve or replace existing MS4 structures before building new ones when feasible (the City cannot maintain what it has now, let alone new structures) Hire additional staff to manage permits and contracts to third-parties hired to assist Storm Water Division. improve enforcement actions (e.g. controlling dry weather runoff that meets water quality criteria or circumvents MS4 (e.g. freshwater mounding) but still creates impacts to receiving waters, such as habitat conversion, invasive plant establishment, breeding habitat for disease transmitting vectors).	Design and implement monitoring programs that make sense (e.g. answers questions or generates useful data) rather than just following programmatic lines. Review and enforce third-party agreements (e.g. HOAs maintaining private BMPs). Provide incentives to landowners and businesses to comply with hydromod requirements in areas already developed (and exempt from hydromod regs)	Coordinate with other stakeholder groups (e.g. NGOs) to help promote efforts that provide co-benefits to local communities and clarify/modify resource regulation that does not apply or should not in certain cases where lines of evidence support the effort over the regulation. Promote and incentivize native landscapes and water re-use	Improve controls over dry weather flows to address freshwater mounding and seepage into the MS4 or open space areas. Remove City infrastructure (e.g. MS4, sewer lines, water lines) from sensitive lands (e.g. Los Peñasquitos Lagoon).
	Include lessons learned from case studies regarding design, implementation and maintenance. Use site specific design and implementation rather than cookie-cutter approach to BMP and private properties (e.g. Hansen Agregate). Re-locate businesses built and operating in the flood zone (e.g. Sorrento Valley) as a longterm solution that is more cost-effective than annual maintenance and lawsuits.			

	Non-Structural			
	Increase Number of Structural Systems (co-benefits)	Improve Structural System Performance	Initiatives to Change Behavior (co-benefits)	Reduce Pollutants directly
4	Private properties, as mentioned by the participants of the meeting on May 20th. (My company has had the privilege of working with Barona Casino I Barona Creek Golf where we found that they recycle all or their water run-off including rain, pavement, parking structure, landscaping and irrigation, which they all filter into one pond system for treatment. In addition, they are in the process of building reservoirs.)	Retrofit new proprietary technologies into existing structures by enhancing performance, focusing on set goals of contaminants of concern as overseen by SDRWQCB, EPA, etc. (Quantum Ozone has retrofitted into an existing vault/Catch Detention System prior to entering into a State Park, into a County Flood Tunnel, and also into existing ponds/lakes/reservoirs. We are open to any county/city or private property that would be willing to co-venture on a pilot project.)	Research outside the box of standard set BMP guidelines, to more natural /innovative technologies that are not part of existing BMPs. For example, ozone is 3,125 times more powerful than chlorine, and the misconception of it being "harmful" is due to lack of education. When properly applied, ozone will not cause negative bi-products, as Quantum Ozone has proved by not producing one negative bi-product in 7 years. We are an ozone planet, constantly having 0.02 parts per million of ozone constantly around us naturally.	Ground level education and awareness to future generations (3rd grade on up) to have Environmental Stewardship as part of the school curriculum along with' history and math, so that the governments that they create in the future will have these ideas naturally implemented into city maintenance and daily living.
5				Strategy: Elimination, to the maximum extent possible, of toxic chemicals in the environment, including herbicides, pesticides, detergents, poisons, paints, and petrochemicals. Co-benefit: an urban ecosystem that supports, to the maximum extent possible, a functioning food web from micro organisms to invertebrates and vertebrates. Co-benefit: recreation and educational opportunities in the form of diverse and inter-dependent organisms to observe and study. Co--benefit: swimmable and fishable waters.

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APPENDIX M

WMA Alternative Compliance Program Overview

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APPENDIX M. WMA ALTERNATIVE COMPLIANCE PROGRAM OVERVIEW

The 2013 San Diego National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) Municipal Stormwater (MS4) Permit (R9-2013-0001) allows for implementation of offsite alternative compliance methods in lieu of meeting structural best management practice (BMP) design standards and/or hydromodification management criteria on the project site.

To implement an offsite alternative compliance program, a jurisdiction must first complete an optional Watershed Management Area Analysis (WMAA), as detailed in Permit Section B.3.b. (4). The San Diego County Copermittees (Copermittees) have collectively funded and provided guidance for development of a regional WMAA. Findings of the regional WMAA, specific to the San Dieguito River Watershed Management Area (WMA), are summarized in this appendix. The full WMAA will be attached as an appendix to the forthcoming *BMP Design Manual*, currently in development under direction from the Copermittees.

In development of the Offsite Alternative Compliance Program framework, Copermittees began with research of potential benefits and barriers to program implementation, as summarized in Sections N.1 and N.2. The sections following that discussion outline the selection of candidate sites and the program implementation schedule.

M.1 Alternative Compliance Program Benefits

The 2013 MS4 Permit (Permit) requirements will result in more priority development projects (PDPs), stricter criteria for onsite storm water retention, and larger hydromodification management facilities as compared to the 2007 Permit. Copermittees identified these factors as driving the need for offsite alternative compliance program implementation in the San Dieguito River WMA.

Alternative compliance methods can be implemented at the subwatershed scale (such as regional detention BMPs) or as green infrastructure BMPs (such as green streets). Regardless of scale, Copermittees acknowledged that offsite alternative compliance BMPs provide the opportunity to mitigate for pollutants not reliably retained on the project site or hydromodification impacts not reliably mitigated onsite per requirements detailed in Permit Sections E.3.c.(1) and E.3.c.(2). Note that onsite treatment control BMPs will still be required, though such BMPs would not be required to meet the onsite retention requirements.

Offsite alternative compliance methods can provide enhanced benefits for the watershed. For instance, facilities can be designed and customized to maximize targeted pollutant load reductions. If they are located offsite and capable of filtering pollutants from larger contributing watershed areas, the pollutant removal effectiveness can be enhanced. Thus, such facilities could be used as part of total maximum daily load (TMDL) reduction strategies implemented at the watershed level.

M.2 Alternative Compliance Program Implementation Barriers

Implementation of an offsite alternative compliance program will require updates to jurisdictional ordinances and development of funding mechanisms, water quality credit systems, and payment structures. Funding options, which are outlined in Table M-1, should be developed to minimize jurisdictional financial risk and to guarantee funding of long-term maintenance activities at the offsite alternative compliance facility. The options should include provisions of jurisdictional responsibility in the event that planned projects do not move forward or projects do not meet funding responsibility after occupancy.

Table M-1
Funding Methods for Offsite Alternative Compliance
Candidate Projects

Funding Option	Comment
In-lieu funding of candidate projects	Project applicant must follow the BMP construction and long-term maintenance payment structure to be developed by the jurisdiction.
Funding and construction of BMP water quality credits	Project applicant must follow the water quality credit structure and BMP construction and long-term maintenance payment structure to be developed by the jurisdiction. This could include a process for water quality credit banking and trading.
Funding to offset temporal mitigation of pollutant loads prior to construction of alternative compliance project	Project applicant must follow the temporal loading payment structure to be developed by the jurisdiction.

For Responsible Agencies to move forward with offering offsite alternative compliance options to land development applicants, it will be necessary to reduce sources of financial risk, public liability risk, and compliance risk through legal agreements and other mechanisms.

The Permit specifies a timing element regarding the amount of time that may lapse between the completion of development project construction and completion of construction for the offsite mitigation. Programs will need to establish some assurance that the development applicant will meet that timeline and that the Responsible Agency will not be subject to enforcement actions caused by the development applicant's failure to meet the timeline. A program must be established with sufficient staffing to prevent delays in approvals, funding releases, or contract procurement required by the Responsible Agency to facilitate implementation of the offsite compliance.

For private development, the Responsible Agency review process provides some assurance that the permanent BMPs are properly designed and constructed to comply with the performance requirements of the Permit. However, the developer and subsequent owner can be held responsible for corrective work if the BMPs are subsequently determined to be out of compliance with performance requirements of the

Permit. It will be necessary to give Responsible Agencies the same level of protection for any offsite BMPs used as compliance credit for the development project.

Bonding mechanisms can protect the Responsible Agencies from abandoned projects or other issues that could affect the private development. Similar mechanisms would need to be established for offsite BMPs if the Responsible Agency is relying on the development applicant to supply funds or provide construction.

There are public liability risks associated with any public improvements including the offsite BMPs as well as any associated improvements, such as sidewalks and traffic lanes for the alternative compliance site. Responsible Agencies will need to establish measures that prevent additional risk associated with the introduction of Green Infrastructure into public spaces and having a private entity design and construct non-standard designs within public lands and right-of-ways. One measure could be the development of new design standards and standard drawings specific to Green Infrastructure in public spaces.

The obligation to maintain any offsite BMPs is essentially “into perpetuity.” Therefore, it will be necessary for Responsible Agencies to have durable mechanisms in place that can assure private development financing of maintenance well into the future. Historically, some mechanisms such as homeowner associations and maintenance assessment districts have not always proven to be durable over long periods of time including the possibility of severe downturns in the economy. Proper maintenance of BMP facilities is essential to provide for the intended BMP function and to prevent health concerns resulting from potential vector issues.

Possible alternative compliance arrangements could include public-to-public (where a public agency is both the project owner and the owner of the land with the offsite BMP), private-to-private, and private-to-public. The mechanisms needed for a public-to-public arrangement, particularly if both sites are within the same agency, are much less than what might be required for private-to-public. Therefore, some Responsible Agencies might be able to exercise alternative compliance in a public-to-public arrangement before all of the assurance mechanisms necessary for private-to-public arrangements are in place.

Per Permit requirements, offsite alternative compliance facilities must be constructed within the San Dieguito River WMA and provide for a greater water quality benefit, as compared to implementation of structural BMPs at the project site. To assess the water quality benefit metric, the jurisdiction must either develop or adopt water quality equivalency standards. Development of these equivalency standards, which represents another barrier to program implementation, has begun at the regional level between representatives of the City of San Diego, the County of San Diego, Orange County, and Riverside County. Equivalency calculations will provide the metric by which watershed improvement is demonstrated.

M.3 Selection of Candidate Projects

Per Permit Section B.3.b. (4)(a), the WMAA must include geographic information system (GIS) mapping layers to characterize the watershed functions detailed in Table M-2. The Copermittees have compiled these layers for potential use in selecting candidate project sites. Such detailed information provides for initial project planning guidance, but should be field verified since much of the information was generated using desktop methods.

Table M-2
WMAA GIS Mapping Layers

GIS Mapping Layer	Potential Use
Dominant hydrologic processes	Identify areas prone to overland flow or infiltration.
Existing stream condition	Identify stream bed material, geomorphic processes, flow regime.
Coarse sediment yield areas	Identify buffer areas to minimize reduction in sediment supply and subsequent hydromodification impacts.
Current and future land uses	Determine the developable footprint.
Existing channel structures	Identify flood control channels, grade control structures, and detention facilities that can significantly affect watershed response.

Within the San Dieguito River watershed, detailed stream assessments were prepared for San Dieguito River Reach 1 (Pacific Ocean to Lake Hodges) and Reach 2 (Lake Hodges to Sutherland Reservoir) as well as Lusardi Creek.

In addition to allowing for offsite alternative compliance program development, the WMAA findings can also help determine the feasibility of candidate projects for offsite alternative compliance implementation (Permit Section B.3.b.(4)(b)). Copermittees compiled a list of candidate projects that include projects previously identified in Comprehensive Load Reduction Plans (CLRPs), Jurisdictional Runoff Management Plans (JRMPs), and other regulatory documents. The numeric goals of the San Dieguito River WMA are also being considered in candidate project selection. Consistent with the Permit, project types being considered are detailed in Table M-3.

**Table M-3
Candidate Project Types**

Project Type	Potential Mitigation Provided
Infrastructure retrofits	Best management practice (BMP) pollutant mitigation Hydromodification management
Green streets	BMP pollutant mitigation Hydromodification management
Regional BMPs	BMP pollutant mitigation Hydromodification management Floodplain management
Stream rehabilitation or restoration	Hydromodification management Floodplain management Natural water quality filtering
Riparian habitat rehabilitation or restoration	Biological resources
Groundwater recharge and water supply augmentation	Water resources BMP Pollutant mitigation Hydromodification management
Floodplain buffer land acquisition	Floodplain management Open space preservation Natural water quality filtering

This appendix and the Water Quality Improvement Plan will be updated to include the final candidate project list for future drafts, as that list is made available.

Copermittees will use the results of the WMAA to develop the formal Offsite Alternative Compliance Program. As part of program development (and as previously described in Section M.2), Copermittees will need to identify funding mechanisms, develop payment and credits structures, formulate water quality equivalency standards, and implement required ordinance updates. Consideration will also focus on the potential roles of regulatory agencies, such as the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers and the State Department of Fish and Wildlife, in helping to implement offsite alternative compliance facilities.

M.4 Alternative Compliance Implementation Schedule

Table M-4 summarizes milestones regarding the WMAA and potential Offsite Alternative Compliance Program initiation.

Table M-4
WMAA and Alternative Compliance Program Implementation

Milestone	Date
WMAA public outreach effort	July 2014 to September 2014
Watershed-specific WMAA GIS layers provided to Water Quality Improvement Plan groups	September 2014
Watershed specific WMAAs provided to Water Quality Improvement Plan groups	October 2014
Draft Water Quality Improvement Plan candidate project list	December 2014
BMP Design Manual submittal (with WMAA as attachment)	June 2015
Final Water Quality Improvement Plan submittal with watershed-specific WMAA attached	June 2015
Water quality equivalency standards—final document	December 2015
First potential approval of Offsite Alternative Compliance Program	To be determined

M.5 San Dieguito WMAA Report and attachments

The San Dieguito WMAA report and attachments are included as Attachments M-1 and M-2. These documents were developed as part of a regional Copermittee effort and included a call for data for information to be included in the analysis. The WMAA documents were developed following criteria set forth in the MS4 Permit. Data included in the documents are intended for guidance purposes. Where more site specific data is available, then the more detailed information should be used.

The WMAA also provides an assessment of applicable exemptions to hydromodification management requirements, in addition to the Permit's allowed exemptions regarding direct discharges to receiving waters including the Pacific Ocean, lakes, or reservoirs (or direct discharges to underground storm drains or concrete-lined channels directly discharging to the Pacific Ocean). For the San Dieguito watershed, an exemption is recommended for direct discharges to the San Dieguito River downstream of Lake Hodges. No additional potential exemptions are recommended with regard to stabilized conveyances, highly impervious watersheds, or tidally-influenced lagoons.

Candidate project lists currently available are provided in Attachment M-3.

Attachment M-1

San Dieguito River WMAA Report

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San Dieguito River Watershed Management Area Analysis



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REGIONAL MS4 PERMIT CROSSWALK

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ACRONYMS AND ABBREVIATIONS

%	percent
>	greater than
<	less than
BMP	Best Management Practice
CB	Coarse Bedrock
CEG	Certified Engineering Geologist
CIP	Capital Improvement Project
CLRP	Comprehensive Load Reduction Plan
CSI	Coarse Sedimentary Impermeable
CSP	Coarse Sedimentary Permeable
E _p	Erosion Potential
ET	Evapotranspiration
FB	Fine Bedrock
FEMA	Federal Emergency Management Agency
FIS	Flood Insurance Study
FSI	Fine Sedimentary Impermeable
FSP	Fine Sedimentary Permeable
GIS	Geographic Information System
GLU	Geomorphic Landscape Unit
HA	Hydrologic Area
HCP	Hydromodification Control Plan
HMP	Hydromodification Management Plan
HRU	Hydrologic Response Unit
HSA	Hydrologic Sub Area
HSG	Hydrologic Soil Group
IRWM	Integrated Regional Water Management
JURMP	Jurisdictional Urban Runoff Management Plan
LDW	Land Development Workgroup
LID	Low Impact Development
MAP	Mean Annual Precipitation

ACRONYMS AND ABBREVIATIONS continued

MHPA	Multiple Habitat Planning Area
MS4	Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System
MSCP	Multiple Species Conservation Program
NED	National Elevation Dataset
NPDES	National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System
NRCS	National Resources Conservation Service
PDP	Priority Development Project
RCB	Reinforced Concrete Box
RCP	Reinforced Concrete Pipe
SCAMP	Southern California Aerial Mapping Project
SCCWRP	Southern California Coastal Water Research Project
SD	San Diego
SDRWQCB	San Diego Regional Water Quality Control Board
S _p	Sediment Supply Potential
SSURGO	Soil Survey Geographic Database
TMDL	Total Maximum Daily Load
USGS	United States Geological Survey
WMA	Watershed Management Area
WMAA	Watershed Management Area Analysis
WQIP	Water Quality Improvement Plan
WURMP	Watershed Urban Runoff Management Plan

1. Introduction

1.1. Background

On May 8, 2013 the California Regional Water Quality Control Board, San Diego Region adopted Order No. R9-2013-0001; NPDES No. CAS 0109266, National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) Permit and Waste Discharge Requirements for Discharges from the Municipal Separate Storm Sewer Systems (MS4s) Draining the Watersheds within the San Diego Region (Regional MS4 Permit). The Regional MS4 Permit, which became effective on June 27, 2013, replaces the previous MS4 Permits that covered portions of the Counties of San Diego, Orange, and Riverside within the San Diego Region. There were two main goals for the Regional MS4 Permit:

1. To have more consistent implementation, as well as improve inter-agency communication (particularly in the case of watersheds that cross jurisdictional boundaries), and minimize resources spent on the permit renewal process.
2. To establish requirements that focused on the achievement of water quality improvement goals and outcomes rather than completing specific actions, thereby giving the Copermittees more control over how their water quality programs are implemented.

To achieve the second goal, the Regional MS4 Permit requires that Water Quality Improvement Plans (WQIPs) be developed for each Watershed Management Area (WMA) within the San Diego Region. As part of the development of WQIPs, the Regional MS4 Permit provides Copermittees an option to perform a Watershed Management Area Analysis (WMAA) through which watershed-specific requirements for structural BMP implementation for Priority Development Projects can be developed for each WMA. This report presents the Copermittees' approach and results for the regional elements of the WMAA developed for the San Diego County area.

1.2. Watershed Management Area Analysis (WMAA)

The Regional MS4 Permit, through inclusion of the WMAA, provides an optional pathway for Copermittees to develop an integrated approach for their land development programs by promoting evaluation of multiple strategies for water quality improvement and development of watershed-scale solutions for improving overall water quality in the watershed. The WMAA comprises the following three components as indicated in the Regional MS4 Permit:

1. Perform analysis and develop Geographic Information System (GIS) layers (maps) by gathering information pertaining to the physical characteristics of the WMA (referred to herein as WMA Characterization). This includes, for example, identifying potential areas of coarse sediment supply, present and anticipated future land uses, and locations of physical structures within receiving streams and upland areas that affect the watershed hydrology (such as bridges, culverts, and flood management basins).
2. Using the WMA Characterization results, compile a list of candidate projects that could potentially be used as alternative compliance options for Priority Development Projects. Such projects may include, for example, opportunities for stream or riparian area

rehabilitation, opportunities for retrofitting existing infrastructure to incorporate storm water retention or treatment, or opportunities for regional BMPs, among others. Prior to implementing these candidate projects the Copermittees must demonstrate that implementing such a candidate project would provide greater overall benefit to the watershed than requiring implementation of the onsite structural BMPs. Note, compilation or evaluation of potential projects was not performed as part of this regional effort. Identification and listing of candidate projects will be performed for each WMA through the WQIP process for WMAs that elect to submit the optional WMAA as part of the WQIP.

3. Additionally, using the WMA Characterization maps, identify areas within the watershed management area where it is appropriate to allow for exemptions from hydromodification management requirements that are in addition to those already allowed by the Regional MS4 Permit for Priority Development Projects. The Copermittees shall identify such cases on a watershed basis and include them in the WMAA with supporting rationale to support claims for exemptions.

1.3.Scope of Work for Regional WMAA

In July 2013, the Copermittees elected to fund a regional effort to develop elements of the regional WMAA for the 9 San Diego-area WMAs within the County of San Diego that are currently subject to the Regional MS4 Permit, which include:

- Santa Margarita River (for portion in San Diego County)
- San Luis Rey River
- Carlsbad
- San Dieguito River
- Los Peñasquitos
- Mission Bay & La Jolla Watershed
- San Diego River
- San Diego Bay
- Tijuana River (for portion in San Diego County)

The regional-level information developed through this effort is intended to provide consistency across WMAs and serve as the foundation for developing watershed-specific information for each WMA to be developed through the WQIP process. The regional effort scope of work included:

1. Development of GIS map layers that characterize the WMAs using data previously collected, readily available, and provided by the Copermittees, including:
 - a. Description of dominant hydrologic processes, such as areas where infiltration or overland flow likely dominates;
 - b. Description of existing streams in the watershed, including bed material and composition, and if they are perennial or ephemeral;

- c. Current and anticipated future land uses;
 - d. Potential coarse sediment yield areas; and
 - e. Locations of existing flood control structures and channel structures, such as stream armoring, constrictions, grade control structures, and hydromodification or flood management basins.
2. Development of a Microsoft® Excel (Excel) template for use by Copermittees to compile lists of candidate projects for an optional alternative compliance program.
 3. Development of additional criteria and analyses to support reinstating the following proposed exemptions that were originally developed in the approved 2011 Final Hydromodification Management Plan but not included in the Regional MS4 Permit unless provided by the Copermittees in the WMAA. In addition, development of the associated Hydromodification Applicability/Exemption Mapping.
 - a. Exempt River Reaches including:
 - i. San Diego River;
 - ii. Otay River;
 - iii. San Dieguito River;
 - iv. San Luis Rey River; and
 - v. Sweetwater River
 - b. Stabilized Conveyance Systems Draining to Exempt Water Bodies
 - c. Highly Impervious/Highly Urbanized Watersheds and Urban Infill, and
 - d. Tidally Influenced Lagoons (where data/study provided)

The scope of work for the regional effort excluded performing analysis within the following areas unless data was readily available, as Copermittees do not have jurisdiction over these areas:

1. State Lands;
2. U.S. Departments of Defense land;
3. U.S. National Forest land;
4. U.S. Department of Interior land and
5. Tribal land

Additional description of excluded areas, for the purposes of the Regional WMAA, is indicated in Section 2.3 Land Uses.

1.4. Project Process

The process for developing the Regional WMAA included close coordination with the Land Development Workgroup (LDW) at key points during the project. The LDW is composed of the 21 San Diego-area Copermittees and serves to develop and implement regional land development plans and programs necessary to support the requirements of the Regional MS4 Permit. The consultant team (Geosyntec Consultants and Rick Engineering Company) presented

preliminary project assumptions and methodologies proposed to be used to develop the Regional WMAA to meet the requirements of the Regional MS4 Permit in December 2013. The consultant team incorporated workgroup feedback from this meeting and subsequently presented the preliminary Regional WMAA project results to the LDW in March 2014, again to receive direction and incorporate input on the preliminary results. Subsequently, the draft report was released to the public in July 2014, by a public workshop that included Consultation Panel members from each of the WMAs on July 29, 2014. This version of the report including all of the input described above is being issued for optional inclusion into the respective WQIP Provision B.3 submittals to the SDRWQCB in December 2014.

1.5. Report Organization

This report is organized as follows:

- Chapter 1 provides the project background and purpose;
- Chapter 2 describes the technical basis for characterizing the WMA;
- Chapter 3 describes the template that can be used by Copermittees to compile the list of candidate projects;
- Chapter 4 summarizes the analyses performed to support reinstating select exemptions from hydromodification control requirements for PDPs;
- Chapter 5 presents the WMAA conclusions;
- Chapter 6 presents the references used for the WMAA;
- Attachment A presents the exhibits and additional supporting information for watershed management area characterization;
- Attachment B presents the exhibits and additional supporting information for hydromodification management applicability/exemptions;
- Attachment C expands on the structure of the geodatabase that hosts the GIS data developed by the WMAA; and
- Attachment D provides a crosswalk between the Regional MS4 Permit requirements for WMAA and this report.

1.6. Terms of Reference

The work described in this report was conducted by Geosyntec Consultants (Geosyntec) and Rick Engineering Company (RICK) on behalf of the County of San Diego and the regional Copermittees.

2. Watershed Management Area Characterization

Watershed health and function are strongly influenced by hydrological and geomorphological processes occurring in the watershed. Both hydrological response and geomorphological response of the watershed are dependent on a variety of physical characteristics of the watershed. To this end, the Regional MS4 Permit specifies a set of data that is required to adequately characterize overall watershed processes as a foundation to enhancing integration and effectiveness of watershed management and water quality programs. The following GIS map layers were developed to characterize the hydrological and geomorphological processes within the San Dieguito River WMA:

- Dominant Hydrologic Processes: A description of dominant hydrologic processes, such as areas where infiltration or overland flow likely dominates;
- Stream Characterization: A description of existing streams in the watershed, including bed material and composition, and if they are perennial or ephemeral;
- Land Uses: Current and anticipated future land uses;
- Potential Critical Coarse Sediment Yield Areas; and
- Physical Structures: Locations of existing flood control structures and channel structures, such as stream armoring, constrictions, grade control structures, and hydromodification or flood management basins.

These GIS layers can be used to:

- Identify the nature and distribution of key macro-scale watershed processes;
- Identify potential opportunities and constraints for regional and sub-regional storm water management facilities that can play a critical role in meeting water quality, hydromodification, water supply, and/or habitat goals within the watershed;
- Assist with determining the most appropriate management actions for specific portions of the watershed; and
- Suggest where further study is appropriate.

2.1.Dominant Hydrologic Processes

The Regional MS4 Permit identifies in the provisions related to the WMAA that a description of dominant hydrologic processes within the watershed must be developed, with GIS layers (maps) as output. The Permit specifically calls for processes “*such as areas where infiltration or overland flow likely dominates.*” These particular aspects of the hydrological mechanics of watersheds are particularly important when attempting to understand the macro-scale opportunities for locating projects that take advantage of either capturing overland flow for treatment or for infiltration.

Investigation of the dominant hydrologic processes in the San Diego-area watersheds indicates that evapotranspiration (ET) is the most dominant hydrologic process for the region based on review of a published study (Sanford and Selnick, 2013). ET is the sum of evaporation and plant transpiration in the hydrologic cycle that transports water from land surfaces to the atmosphere. This conclusion is supported by comparing the 30-year average annual rainfall for the study area (San Diego County east of the peninsular divide) of between 15 and 18 inches per year (San Diego County, 2005) to the average annual ET rates. According to the California Irrigation Management Information System (CIMIS) Reference Evapotranspiration Map (CIMIS, 1999), the study area (within Zones 4, 6, and 9) experiences annual reference ET of 46.6, 49.7 and 59.9 inches, respectively. Therefore, theoretically, if all of the annual precipitation for the San Diego-area watersheds remained stationary where it fell and did not either infiltrate or runoff to local waterbodies where it would be conveyed downstream ultimately to the ocean, it all would be consumed by ET. As such, the effect of ET on the overall hydrologic processes within the San Diego watersheds is a function of the temporal scale over which it acts. Precipitation events often produce runoff in these watersheds, particularly in the urbanized portions, based on the topography and land cover that tend to accelerate the conveyance of runoff downstream rather than collecting, storing, or spreading out that then would maximize the effect of ET.

Because this study is focused on developing information and mapping for the portion of the hydrologic process that informs watershed management decisions, i.e., locating beneficial projects in areas of greatest opportunity, the next tier of dominant hydrologic processes are studied and mapped by this project. As such, the study area was characterized, based on the methodology described in the following section, according to the predicted fate of runoff within the watersheds being either overland flow or infiltration after considering the effects of ET (as well as an intermediate category of interflow). Areas that were mapped as overland flow do not necessarily preclude infiltration but rather indicate the dominant expected process that runoff would experience if not intercepted for the express purpose of infiltrating storm water runoff. The Model BMP Design Manual will provide more detailed guidance and procedures for determining the potential for infiltrating captured storm water at the project level irrespective of the mapping produced in the WMAA. To reiterate, the WMAA mapping is to provide macro-scale processes for high-level analysis and to inform decisions affecting regional scales. Furthermore, the Model BMP Design Manual will indicate the degree to which site-scale BMPs can expect to benefit from ET or how ET is considered in the sizing of BMPs. In brief, typical storm water BMPs only store water for a few days and therefore are not really capable of significant volume disposal through ET. However, pervious area dispersion (i.e., directing storm water runoff to flat areas for spreading and infiltration) has appreciable benefits with regard to ET and is a practice promoted in the BMP Design Manual.

The processes of interest are further defined as follows:

Overland flow: This process can be thought of as the inverse of infiltration; precipitation reaching the ground surface that does not immediately soak in must run over the land surface (thus, “overland” flow). It reflects the relative rates of rainfall intensity and the soil’s infiltration capacity: wherever and whenever the rainfall intensity exceeds the soil’s infiltration capacity, some overland flow will occur. Most uncompacted, vegetated soils have infiltration capacities of one to several inches per hour at the ground surface, which exceeds the rainfall intensity of even unusually intense storms. In contrast, pavement and hard surfaces reduce the effective infiltration capacity of the ground surface to zero, ensuring overland flow regardless of the meteorological attributes of a storm, together with a much faster rate of runoff relative to vegetated surfaces.

Infiltration and groundwater recharge: These closely linked hydrologic processes are most apparent near ephemeral and perennial conveyances in the San Diego region. Their widespread occurrence is expressed by the common absence of surface-water channels on even steep (undisturbed) hillslopes. Thus, on virtually any geologic material on all but the steepest slopes (or bare rock), infiltration of rainfall into the soil is inferred to be widespread, if not ubiquitous. With urbanization, changes to the process of infiltration are also quite simple to characterize: some (typically large) fraction of that once infiltrating water is now converted to overland flow.

Interflow: Interflow takes place following storm events as shallow subsurface flow (usually within 3 to 6 feet of the surface) occurring in a more permeable soil layer above a less permeable substrate. In the storm response of a stream, interflow provides a transition between the rapid response from surface runoff and much slower stream discharge from deeper groundwater. In some geologic settings, the distinction between “interflow” and “deep groundwater” is artificial and largely meaningless; in others, however, there is a strong physical discrimination between “shallow” and “deep” groundwater movement. Development reduces infiltration and thus interflow as discussed previously, as well as reducing the footprint of the area supporting interflow volume.

The datasets used, methodology for creating the dominant hydrologic processes maps, and the results are described in the sections below.

2.1.1. Datasets Used for identifying dominant hydrologic processes

The following datasets were used in the analysis:

Dataset	Source	Year	Description
Elevation	USGS	2013	1/3 rd Arc Second (~10 meter cells) digital elevation model for San Diego County
Soils Data	SanGIS	2013	NRCS (SSURGO) Database for San Diego County downloaded from SanGIS
Land Cover	SanGIS	2013	Ecology-Vegetation layer for San Diego County downloaded from SanGIS

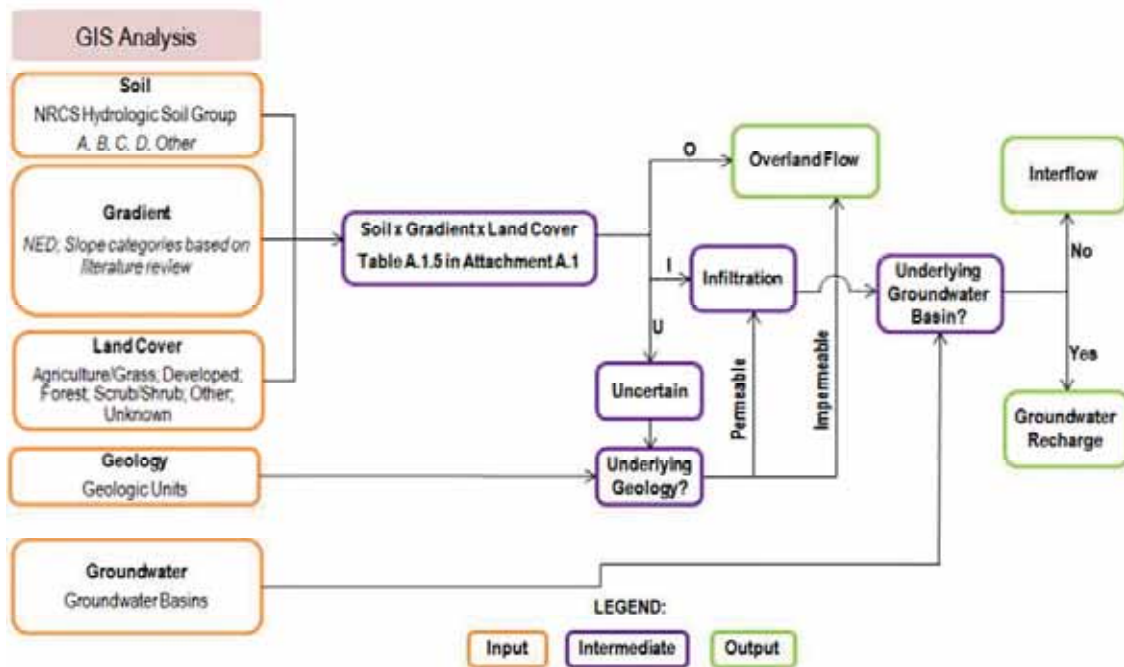
Dataset	Source	Year	Description
Geology	Kennedy, M.P., and Tan, S.S.	2002	Geologic Map of the Oceanside 30'x60' Quadrangle, California, California Geological Survey, Regional Geologic Map No. 2, 1:100,000 scale.
	Kennedy, M.P., and Tan, S.S.	2008	Geologic Map of the San Diego 30'x60' Quadrangle, California, California Geological Survey, Regional Geologic Map No. 3, 1:100,000 scale.
	Todd, V.R.	2004	Preliminary Geologic Map of the El Cajon 30'x60' Quadrangle, Southern California, United States Geological Survey, Southern California Aerial Mapping Project (SCAMP), Open File Report 2004-1361, 1:100,000 scale.
	Jennings et al.	2010	"Geologic Map of California," California Geological Survey, Map No. 2 – Geologic Map of California, 1:750,000 scale
Groundwater Basins	SanGIS	2013	Groundwater Basins in San Diego County downloaded from SanGIS

2.1.2. Methodology/Assumptions/Criteria for identifying dominant hydrologic processes

The methodology used to describe dominant hydrologic processes is based on recommendations included in the Southern California Coastal Water Research Project's (SCCWRP) Technical Report 605 titled "Hydromodification Screening Tools: GIS-Based Catchment Analyses of Potential Changes in Runoff and Sediment Discharge" (SCCWRP, 2010). The foundation for this analysis was to incorporate the Report's concept of grouping common hydrologic attributes into Hydrologic Response Units (HRUs). The report states the following:

"Grouping common hydrologic attributes across a watershed into a tractable number of Hydrologic Response Units (HRUs: a term first used by England and Holtan 1969) has become a well-established approach for condensing the near-infinite variability of a natural watershed into a tractable number of different elements. The normal procedure for developing HRUs is to identify presumptively similar rainfall-runoff characteristics across a watershed by combining spatially distributed climate, geology, soils, land use, and topographic data into areas that are approximately homogeneous in their hydrologic properties (Green and Cruise 1995, Becker and Braun 1999, Beven 2001, Haverkamp et al. 2005). As noted by Beighley et al (2005), this process of merging the landscape into discrete HRUs is a common and effective method for reducing model complexity and data requirements. Using watershed characteristics to predict runoff is the explicit task of hydrologic models, and there is a host of such models available for application to hydromodification evaluation. For purposes of "screening," however, the goal is simplicity and ease of application even if the precision of the resulting analysis is crude."

The following process describes the methodology used to define Hydrologic Response Units (HRUs) and then relate the HRUs to the dominant hydrologic processes (i.e., overland flow, interflow, and groundwater recharge) in the San Dieguito River WMA.



The first step is to define the HRUs. Once these are defined, the remaining steps determine the dominant hydrologic process.

1. **Integrate data sets used to determine HRU:** Categories for soil type, gradient, and land cover were defined based on readily available GIS datasets for the region and classifications found in relevant literature, as indicated below. The different combinations of these three categories comprise the distinct HRUs.
 - **Soil Categories:** based on National Resource Conservation Service (NRCS) Hydrologic Soil Group (HSG) classifications, which are commonly used to describe runoff/infiltration potential of soils on a regional scale. These categories include: A, B, C, and D. HSG A soils have the lowest runoff potential, while HSG D soils have the highest runoff potential.
 - **Gradient Categories:** based on slope ranges found in a review of relevant literature identified in Chapter 6. The spatial processing of the slope categories utilized the United States Geologic Survey (USGS) National Elevation Dataset (NED). Slopes were grouped (bins) into the following ranges: 0% to 2%; 2% to 6%; 6% to 10%; and greater than 10%. The 2% and 6% slope thresholds were based on slope ranges included in Table A.1.1 (McCuen, 2005) presented in Attachment A.1. This table provides runoff coefficients as a function of slope, soil group, land cover, and return period and was used for subsequent steps in the mapping effort. The 10% slope threshold was used in SCCWRP's Technical

Report 605 (SCCWRP, 2010) and is a logical cutoff since slopes steeper than 10% are assumed to be dominated by overland flow.

- **Land Cover Categories:** were defined using the Ecology Vegetation GIS map layer developed by the City of San Diego, the County of San Diego and SANDAG and downloaded from SanGIS (2013). The vegetation categories in the GIS layer were grouped (Table A.1.2 in Attachment A.1) to match the following categories used in SCCWRP's Technical Report 605 (SCCWRP, 2010): Agriculture/Grass; Developed; Forest; Scrub/Shrub, Other (Water), and Unknown.

2. **Evaluate Land Cover:** Land cover categories for Agriculture/Grass, Forest, Scrub/Shrub and Other were related to land use categories defined in Table A.1.1 as shown in Table A.1.3 in Attachment A.1. Relating a land use category for the Developed land cover category was not necessary because all Developed cover was assumed to have overland flow as its dominant hydrologic process.
3. **Determine Hydrology Characteristics for Land Covers:** For each of the land cover/land use categories listed in Table A.1.3, the ratio of precipitation lost to evapotranspiration (i.e. an evapotranspiration coefficient) was estimated using Table A.1.1 using the process described below. Since precipitation is considered to be the sum of the resulting runoff, infiltration, and evapotranspiration, the coefficients for these three hydrologic pathways sum to one, as indicated below.

$$\text{Runoff Coefficient} + \text{Infiltration Coefficient} + \text{Evapotranspiration Coefficient} = 1$$

- i) **Estimate Evapotranspiration:** To estimate the evapotranspiration (ET) coefficient for each land cover, first the runoff coefficient was identified in Table A.1.1 for the highest runoff potential (i.e., Group D soil and 6%+ slope) and most common storm conditions (i.e., storm recurrence intervals less than 25 years). The infiltration for these high runoff conditions was assumed to be negligible, resulting in an infiltration coefficient of zero. Since the sum of the three coefficients should sum to one, the ET coefficient was assumed to be the remaining difference (i.e., ET Coefficient = 1 – Runoff Coefficient). The ET coefficient calculated for the highest runoff potential was then applied to all soil types and slopes within that land use category. The calculated ET coefficient for each applicable HRU is provided in Table A.1.4 in Attachment A.1. The ET coefficient for HRUs that have a Developed land cover or a gradient greater than 10% were not calculated since these HRUs were assumed to have overland flow as the dominant hydrologic process.
- ii) **Estimate Infiltration:** The infiltration coefficient for each applicable HRU (i.e., combination of soil, gradient, and land cover) was estimated by subtracting both the runoff coefficient, provided in Table A.1.1, and the ET coefficient, calculated in step 3(i), from one (i.e., Infiltration Coefficient = 1 – Runoff Coefficient – ET Coefficient). The calculated infiltration coefficient for each applicable HRU is provided in Table A.1.4 in Attachment A.1.
- iii) **Estimate Runoff:** For each applicable HRU, the runoff coefficient was divided by

the infiltration coefficient to obtain a ratio representing the potential for runoff or infiltration. The higher the ratio, the greater the potential for runoff to be a more dominant hydrologic process than infiltration. Similarly, the lower the ratio, the greater the potential for infiltration to be a more dominant hydrologic process than runoff. The calculated runoff to infiltration ratios are provided in Table A.1.4 in Attachment A.1.

4. **Associate Runoff and Infiltration to HRUs:** The following designations were assigned to each applicable HRU based on the runoff to infiltration ratio (i.e., runoff coefficient/infiltration coefficient). These designations were based on best engineering judgment with the underlying assumption that if a runoff or infiltration coefficient is more than 50% greater than its counterpart, then the prevailing process is considered dominant.
 - HRUs with runoff to infiltration ratios greater than 1.5 (3:2 ratio) were assumed to have relatively high runoff and overland flow was considered its dominant hydrologic process. These HRUs are designated by the letter “O” (Overland flow is dominant process) in Tables A.1.4 and A.1.5 in Attachment A.1.
 - HRUs with runoff to infiltration ratios less than 0.67 (2:3 ratio) were assumed to have relatively high infiltration and its dominant hydrologic process was either interflow or groundwater recharge, based on analysis described in subsequent steps. These HRUs are designated by the letter “I” (Interflow is dominant process) in Tables A.1.4 and A.1.5.
 - For HRUs with runoff to infiltration ratios between, and including, 1.5 and 0.67 it was uncertain whether it was dominated by overland flow or infiltration. These HRUs are designated by the letter “U” (Dominant process is uncertain) in Tables A.1.4 and A.1.5.
 - For HRUs that have a Developed land cover or a gradient greater than 10%, the runoff to infiltration ratios were not calculated because these HRUs were assumed to have overland flow as the dominant hydrologic process. These HRUs are designated by the letter “O” (Overland flow is dominant process) in Table A.1.5.
5. **Uncertain HRUs Assignment:** For HRUs with an uncertain designation (“U”) in Table A.1.5 in Attachment A.1, the underlying regional geology (Kennedy and Tan, 2002 & 2008; Todd, 2004 and Jennings et al., 2010) was used to evaluate whether overland flow or infiltration were dominant. If the underlying geology was considered impermeable, then these uncertain areas were considered to have overland flow as its dominant hydrologic process. If the underlying geology was considered permeable, then these uncertain areas were considered to be dominated by infiltration. The determination of whether a geologic unit is impermeable or permeable was based on desktop evaluation and the best professional judgment of a Certified Engineering Geologist (CEG). This analysis was performed in GIS and is illustrated in the flowchart above.

6. **Associate Infiltration HRUs with Known Groundwater Basins:** For HRUs with relatively high infiltration and have a designation of “I” in Table A.1.5 in Attachment A.1, the presence or absence of a regional groundwater basin (SanGIS, 2013) underlying these areas determined whether the dominant hydrologic process was designated as interflow or groundwater recharge. The groundwater recharge hydrologic process was assigned as dominant for those applicable areas which had an underlying groundwater basin. The interflow hydrologic process was assigned as dominant for those applicable areas which did not have an underlying groundwater basin directly below it. This analysis was performed in GIS and is illustrated in the flowchart above.
7. **Resulting HRU Data:** The resulting GIS map of dominant hydrologic processes was reviewed by engineering professionals familiar with the hydrology in the County of San Diego to confirm that the mapping is consistent with their experience working in the region.

2.1.3. Results for identifying dominant hydrologic processes

The resulting GIS map showing the spatial distribution of dominant hydrologic processes (i.e., overland flow, interflow, and groundwater recharge) within the San Dieguito River WMA is provided in Attachment A.1. An ArcMap document file which presents the results from each step of the methodology is included in Attachment C, as well as a Google Earth KMZ file. Based on this analysis, overland flow is the predominant hydrologic process in all this WMA, which is consistent with the experience of engineering professionals familiar with the hydrology of the County of San Diego.

Summary of Deliverables for Dominant Hydrologic Processes

Format	Item	Description	Location
Report	Figure	"Dominant Hydrologic Processes"	Attachment A.1
GIS	Map Group Title	Hydrologic Processes	Attachment C.1
	Map Layer Title	Soil Land Cover Slope Hydrologic Response Unit Initial Rating Permeability Groundwater Basin Dominant Hydrologic Processes	
	Geodatabase Feature Dataset	HydrologicProcesses	
	Geodatabase Feature Class	HRUAnalysis	
	Geodatabase Geometry Type	Polygon	
KMZ ¹	KMZ File Name	Dominant Hydrologic Processes	Attachment C.2
¹ To enhance the utilization of this data, the Dominant Hydrological Processes map is provided in both traditional GIS file format (ESRI software license purchase required) and as a Google Earth KMZ (Keyhole Markup Language/Zippped) file that can be viewed with the free download version of Google Earth (http://www.google.com/earth/).			

2.1.4. Limitations for identifying dominant hydrologic processes

The resulting GIS map layer only lists the dominant hydrological process (i.e., an HRU assigned a dominant process of overland flow can also experience small amounts of infiltration) and provides a useful, rapid framework to perform screening-level analysis that is appropriate for watershed-scale planning studies. When more precise estimates are required for a particular site and subarea it is recommended that this analysis be augmented with site-specific analysis.

2.2.Stream Characterization

For the purpose of WMAA, the Regional MS4 Permit requires a description of existing streams in the watershed, including bed material and composition, and if they are perennial or ephemeral. Under the Regional WMAA, this analysis was prepared for 27 streams throughout the San Diego Region agreed upon by the consultant team and Copermittees. Within the San Dieguito River WMA, stream characterization and detailed mapping is provided for San Dieguito Creek – Reach 1 (Pacific Ocean to Lake Hodges), San Dieguito Creek – Reach 2 (Lake Hodges to Sutherland Reservoir), and Lusardi Creek as shown on the exhibit titled "Watershed Management Area Streams" located in Attachment A.2.

2.2.1. Datasets Used for stream characterization

The following data were referenced for the purpose of stream characterization:

- USGS National Hydrography Dataset, downloaded from USGS November 2013
- USGS 7.5-minute quadrangles, compiled image of quadrangles covering San Diego County, various dates
- Floodplains: "National Flood Hazard Layer," provided by Federal Emergency Management Agency October 2012
- Various datasets provided by Copermittees depicting existing storm water conveyance infrastructure within their jurisdictions.
- Aerial photography by Digital Globe dated 2012

2.2.2. Methodology/Assumptions/Criteria for stream characterization

The analysis was prepared by digitizing each of the 27 streams based on review of data listed above. Within the pre-existing datasets depicting streams, floodplains, or infrastructure, no single dataset included a complete, accurate alignment of each stream. Digitizing the streams based on review of all of the data listed above allowed creation of GIS linework with a continuous corrected alignment for each stream. The following data were recorded as GIS attributes for each stream as the stream was digitized:

- River name
- Reach type (engineered or natural, constrained or un-constrained)
- Bed material
- Bank material
- Hydrographic category (perennial or intermittent)

The attributes listed above were collected manually based on interpretation of the reference data. Assumptions used in making the interpretations are listed below. The **Hydrographic Category** section below will provide the rationale as to why perennial and intermittent were the hydrographic categories chosen for this WMAA and not perennial and ephemeral.

Note that stream classification was not prepared within areas of Federal/State/Indian lands unless data was readily available. Stream lines were prepared within these areas for continuity, but some data fields were not populated within these areas.

Reach Type

Streams were classified as either engineered or natural, and either constrained or un-constrained. See the exhibit titled, "Watershed Management Area Streams by Reach Type" in Attachment A.2. The purpose of this exercise was to identify whether the stream has been modified by human activity within the stream itself, which may include addition of crossing structures, stabilization of banks, dredging, or any other human activity. This aids the identification of physical structures including stream armoring, constrictions, grade control, and other modifications as required by the Regional MS4 Permit.

Classification of the streams as either “**engineered**” or “**natural**” was based on the following criteria:

Engineered

- A classification of "engineered" was assigned where the stream itself has been modified by human activity.
- All culvert/bridge/pipe crossings either provided in the Copermittees' storm water conveyance system data or clearly visible on the aerial photo have been assigned as engineered within the limits of the crossing.
- If the Copermittees did not provide storm water conveyance system data for the dirt road crossings/dip sections the streams have been assigned as engineered within the limits of the crossing. These crossings may or may not have culverts.
- If the Copermittees' storm water conveyance system data stated the facility is a detention or desilting basin, they were assigned as engineered.
- Golf courses have been assigned as engineered.
- If aerial photography showed large water bodies (lake, pond, irrigation pond, etc.) they were assigned as engineered.
- If the storm water conveyance system data provided by the Copermittees has identified the stream as “rockbs”, the assumption has been made that these streams have rocks on their bottom and the sides (“bs”), and have been assigned as engineered.
- Sand mining operations have been assigned as engineered. Sand mining is an operation that is in continuous flux and does not typically result in a discrete, engineered geometry in any given channel cross section until restoration is implemented at the conclusion of the sand mining operation. It is assigned as engineered to acknowledge human alteration of the stream.

Natural

- Streams that have no apparent alteration within the stream itself by human activity have been assigned as natural.

Classification of the streams as either “**constrained**” or “**un-constrained**” was based on the following criteria:

Constrained

- All culvers/bridge/pipe crossings either provided in the Copermittes’ storm water conveyance system data or clearly visible on the aerial photo have been assigned as constrained.
- If the Copermittes did not provide storm water conveyance system data for the dirt road crossings/dip sections the streams have been assigned as constrained. These crossings may or may not have culverts.
- If the Copermittes’ storm water conveyance system data stated the facility is a detention or desilting basin, they were assigned as constrained.
- Golf courses have been assigned as constrained if located within the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) floodway based on the “National Flood Hazard Layer” data.
- The USGS National Hydrographic Dataset in their hydrographic category had assigned some reaches as artificial paths. In these situations and if the aerial photography shows large water bodies (lake, pond, irrigation pond, etc.) these streams have been assigned as constrained.
- Sand mining operations located within the FEMA floodway based on the “National Flood Hazard Layer” have been assigned as constrained.

Un-constrained

- Golf courses have been assigned as un-constrained if not located within the FEMA floodway based on the “National Flood Hazard Layer” data.
- Sand mining operations not located within the FEMA floodway based on the “National Flood Hazard Layer” data have been assigned un-constrained.
- If the stream is located within the FEMA floodway based on the “National Flood Hazard Layer” and there is available land in the floodway fringe (the area between the floodway and the 100-year floodplain) the area has been assigned un-constrained. Note that there may be only one side or both sides of the stream with available land in the floodway fringe therefore a note was added as to which side of the stream is constrained and un-constrained.
- If the stream is located within a FEMA 100-year floodplain based on the “National Flood Hazard Layer” data with no floodway and the FEMA floodplain width is not within an existing development or bordered by roads have been assigned as un-constrained.

Bed Material and Bank Material

The following bed and bank materials were identified:

- Concrete
- Riprap

- Pipe / culvert
- Earth

The assumptions made to identify the streams bed and bank materials were based on the following criteria:

- If the data provided by the Copermittees provided information about the stream bed and bank material, the provided data was used for the bed and bank material.
- Generally the data provided by the Copermittees did not identify the crossing type (pipe, box culvert, bridge with or without piers, etc.) or the material (RCP, RCB, earth, riprap, concrete, etc.). In that case, all culvert/bridge/pipe crossings were assigned as pipe/culvert for the bed and bank material.
- If the Copermittees did not provide data for the dirt road crossings/dip sections the bed and bank material have been assigned as pipe/culvert. These crossings may or may not have culverts.
- If the Copermittees' storm water conveyance system data stated the facility is a detention or desilting basin, the bed and bank material have been assigned as earth.
- If aerial photography showed large water bodies (lake, pond, irrigation pond, etc.) they were assigned as earth bed and bank material. The USGS National Hydrographic Dataset in their hydrographic category had assigned some of these types of reaches as artificial paths.
- Sand mining operations within the stream have been assigned as earth for bed and bank material.
- If the Copermittees did not provide data for the stream material the bed and bank material have been assigned based on the aerial photography.

See exhibits titled, "Watershed Management Area Streams by Bed Material" in Attachment A.2.

After stream bed and bank material was classified, earthen reaches were further classified by geologic group. This was accomplished by intersecting the streams with the geologic group layer that had been prepared for use in the dominant hydrologic process and potential coarse sediment yield analyses. The result is displayed in exhibits titled, "Watershed Management Area Streams by Geologic Group" in Attachment A.2.

Hydrographic Category

Streams were classified as "perennial" or "intermittent." See exhibits titled, "Watershed Management Area Streams by Hydrographic Category" in Attachment A.2. Classification was obtained from the USGS National Hydrography Dataset (NHD). The definitions of these categories in the USGS National Hydrography Dataset are:

- **Perennial:** Contains water throughout the year, except for infrequent periods of severe drought.

- **Intermittent:** Contains water for only part of the year, but more than just after rainstorms and at snowmelt.

While the specific Regional MS4 Permit language requested classification of perennial or ephemeral, rather than perennial or intermittent, the data that was referenced in order to classify streams did not include "ephemeral" streams. For reference, the USGS National Hydrography Dataset definition of "ephemeral" is: "contains water only during or after a local rainstorm or heavy snowmelt." None of the stream reaches in the study were classified as ephemeral in the NHD dataset, therefore none are classified as ephemeral in the WMAA product. The City of San Diego provided a map titled "City of San Diego Stream Survey" dated April 3, 2013 prepared by AMEC that shows streams that are "dry" and streams that are "flowing". This information in conjunction with the other parameters listed in this section was used to determine if a stream was perennial or intermittent.

USGS NHD includes hydrographic category classification for many of the streams. However data was not available for all reaches of all streams. In order to classify reaches of streams that did not already contain this data in NHD, these assumptions were made:

- The USGS NHD information for the stream hydrographic category has been used when available.
- When USGS NHD has "artificial paths" for portions of the stream, the hydrographic category of the upstream portion of the stream have been assigned to the stream unless other assumptions took precedence.
- If aerial photography shows large waterbody (lake, pond, irrigation pond, etc.) perennial has been assumed for the hydrographic category.
- For ponded areas shown on the aerial photography and if the USGS 7.5-minute quadrangles shows cross hatching for the area, intermittent has been assigned unless the upstream portion of the stream was assigned as perennial pursuant to the USGS National Hydrography Dataset then assigned perennial for the ponded area.
- USGS has a dashed line for intermittent streams. USGS has a solid line for perennial streams. In some situations this information was used to assist in the determination of assigning perennial or intermittent to a stream.

2.2.3. Results for stream characterization

The 27 streams and data are contained in a GIS file titled "SD_Regional_WMAA_Streams" located in Attachment C. The streams are shown in watershed maps included in Attachment A.2.

Summary of Deliverables for Stream Characterization

Format	Item	Description	Location
Report	Title of Figures	• "Watershed Management Area Streams" •• "Watershed Management Area Streams by Hydrographic Category" •• "Watershed Management Area Streams by Bed Material"	Attachment A.2

Format	Item	Description	Location
		• "Watershed Management Area Streams by Geologic Group" • "Watershed Management Area Streams by Reach Type"	
GIS	Map Group Title	Not Grouped	Attachment C.1
	Map Layer Title	SD_Regional_WMAA_Streams	
	Geodatabase Feature Dataset	Streams	
	Geodatabase Feature Class	SD_Regional_WMAA_Streams	
	Geodatabase Geometry Type	Line	
KMZ ¹	KMZ File Name	SD_Regional_WMAA_Streams	Attachment C.2
¹ To enhance the utilization of this data, the Stream Characterization map is provided in both traditional GIS file format (ESRI software license purchase required) and as a Google Earth KMZ (Keyhole Markup Language/Zipped) file that can be viewed with the free download version of Google Earth (http://www.google.com/earth/).			

In addition to the 27 streams that were subject of detailed analysis, NHD streams have been included on maps and within the geodatabase for reference. The NHD stream alignments have not been corrected and in some cases may be inconsistent with the existing infrastructure. The NHD streams are contained in a GIS file titled, "SD_NHD_Streams."

2.2.4. Limitations for stream characterization

- Only a desktop analysis was performed and no field verification was conducted.
- Infrastructure is only based on storm water conveyance system data provided by Copermittees or clearly visible on aerial photography. If the Copermittee used a numbering or lettering system for describing bed and bank material for example, since the metadata was not provided the bed and bank material could not be verified.
- In some instances concrete channels cannot be identified on aerial photography if it is filled with sediment and/ or vegetation.

2.3.Land Uses

For the purpose of the WMAA, the Regional MS4 Permit requires a description of current and anticipated future land uses. This is presented in the final GIS deliverable as "Land Use Planning" and includes the following representations of land uses in the watersheds: existing land uses, planned land uses, developable lands, redevelopment and infill areas, floodplains, Multiple Species Conservation Program (MSCP) designated areas, and areas not within the Copermittees' jurisdictions (tribal lands, state lands, and federal lands).

2.3.1. Datasets Used for land uses

The following existing regional datasets were referenced to meet this requirement:

- Municipal boundaries: "Municipal_Boundaries" dated August 2012, available from SanGIS/SANDAG
- Ownership: "Parcels" dated December 2013, available from SanGIS/SANDAG
- Existing land use: "SANGIS.LANDUSE_CURRENT" dated December 2012, available from SanGIS/SANDAG (existing land use)
- Planned land use: "PLANLU" (Planned Land Use for the Series 12 Regional Growth Forecast (2050)), dated December 2010, available from SanGIS/SANDAG
- Developable land: "DEVABLE" (Land available for potential development for the Series 12 Regional Growth Forecast), dated December 2010, available from SanGIS/SANDAG
- Redevelopment and infill areas: "REDEVINF" (Redevelopment and infill areas for the Series 12 Regional Growth Forecast), dated December 2010, available from SanGIS/SANDAG
- Floodplains: "National Flood Hazard Layer" provided by Federal Emergency Management Agency October 2012
- Multiple Species Conservation Program (MSCP), total of four datasets available from SanGIS/SANDAG: "MHPA_SD," dated 2012, (Multiple Habitat Planning Areas for City of San Diego); "MSCP_CN," dated 2009 (designations of the County of San Diego's Multiple Species Conservation Program South County Subregional Plan); "MSCP_EAST_DRAFT_CN," dated 2009 (draft East County MSCP Plan); and "Draft_North_County_MSCP_Version_8.0_Categories," dated 2008 (draft North County MSCP Plan)

2.3.2. Methodology/Assumptions/Criteria for land uses

The existing regional datasets for existing land use, planned land use, developable land, redevelopment and infill areas, floodplains, and MSCP designated areas were referenced with no modifications. Areas not within the Copermittees' jurisdictions (tribal lands, state lands, and federal lands) were compiled from SanGIS parcel data (December 2013) based on the "ownership" value. The owners listed below were excluded from the Copermittees jurisdictions and represent the "Federal/State/Indian" layer, which is displayed on various maps included in Attachment A.2.

- Bureau of Land Management
- California Department of Fish and Game
- Indian Reservations
- Military Reservations

- Other Federal
- State
- State of California Land Commission
- State Parks
- U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service
- U.S. Forest Service

When available, relevant data from these areas was included in analyses (e.g., developable land areas within Federal/State/Indian areas). Stream lines were prepared within these areas for continuity. However, stream classification (e.g., bed and bank material) was not prepared within these areas unless data was readily available (e.g., hydrographic category data available from NHD)

2.3.3. Results for land uses

The existing regional datasets are compiled into the Geodatabase in a group titled, "Land Use Planning." Current and anticipated future land uses are depicted in watershed maps included in Attachment C. Federal/State/Indian Lands are also referenced on all other map exhibits included in Attachment A.2.

Summary of Deliverables for Land Uses

Format	Item	Description	Location
Report	Title of Figures	• "Existing Land Use" • "Planned Land Use" • "Developable Land" • "Redevelopment and Infill Areas"	Attachment A.3
GIS	Map Group Title	Land Use Planning	Attachment C.1
	Map Layer Title	Municipal Boundaries Federal/State/Indian Lands SanGIS_ExistingLandUse SanGIS_PlannedLandUse SanGIS_DevelopableLand SanGIS_RedevelopmentandInfill FEMA Floodplain MHPA_SD MSCP_CN MSCP_EAST_DRAFT_CN Draft_North_County_MSCP_Version_8_Categories	
	Geodatabase Feature Dataset	LandUsePlanning	
	Geodatabase Feature Class	SanGIS_MunicipalBoundaries Federal_State_Indian_Lands SanGIS_ExistingLandUse SanGIS_PlannedLandUse	

Format	Item	Description	Location
		SanGIS_DevelopableLand SanGIS_RedevelopmentandInfill FEMA_NFHL SanGIS_MHPA_SD SanGIS_MSCP_CN SanGIS_MSCP_EAST_DRAFT_CN SanGIS_Draft_North_County_MSCP_Version_8_Categories	
	Geodatabase Geometry Type	Polygon	
KMZ ¹	KMZ File Name	Municipal Boundaries Federal/State/Indian Lands Floodplains Due to file size limitations, SanGIS land use datasets were not converted to KMZ.	Attachment C.2
¹ To enhance the utilization of this data, the Land Uses map is provided in both traditional GIS file format (ESRI software license purchase required) and as a Google Earth KMZ (Keyhole Markup Language/Zipped) file that can be viewed with the free download version of Google Earth (http://www.google.com/earth/).			

2.3.4. Limitations

Some jurisdictions may have compiled GIS land use layers that include more detailed or more current information than the regional datasets available from SanGIS. SanGIS layers were selected for the Regional WMAA to provide consistent land use characterization region-wide, and to provide for repeatability of GIS analyses when a land use layer is required for input data. The definition of non-Copermittee areas identified in this document as "Federal/State/Indian Lands" is for the Regional WMAA. Some WQIPs may define non-Copermittee areas differently.

2.4.Potential Critical Coarse Sediment Yield Areas

The Regional MS4 Permit identifies in the provisions related to the WMAA that potential coarse sediment yield areas within the watershed be identified, with GIS layers (maps) as output. With regard to the function and importance of coarse sediment, SCCWRP Technical Report 667 titled “Hydromodification Assessment and Management in California” states the following:

“Coarse sediment functions to naturally armor the stream bed and reduce the erosive forces associated with high flows. Absence of coarse sediment often results in erosion of in-channel substrate during high flows. In addition, coarse sediment contributes to formation of in-channel habitats necessary to support native flora and fauna.”

This report identifies the potential critical coarse sediment yield areas for the San Dieguito River WMA in compliance with this permit provision. The applied datasets and methodologies for identifying the coarse sediment yield areas, along with their respective results, are described in the sections below.

2.4.1. Datasets Used for identifying potential critical coarse sediment yield areas

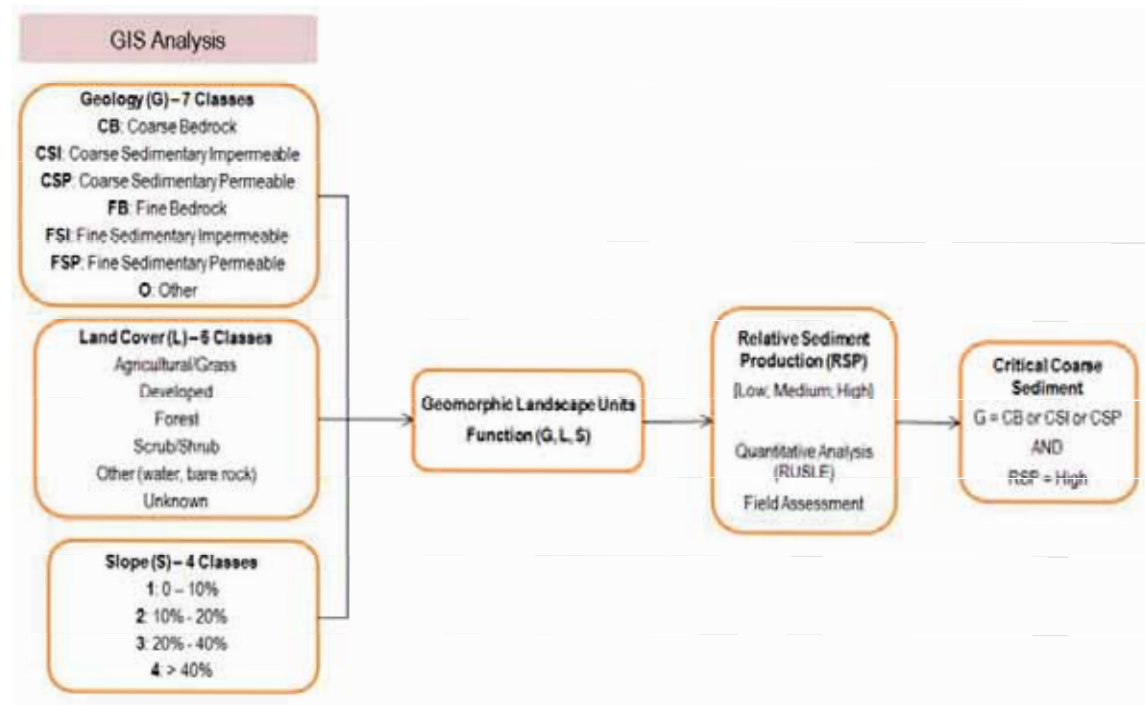
The following datasets were used in the analysis

Dataset	Source	Year	Description
Elevation	USGS	2013	1/3 rd Arc Second (~10 meter cells) digital elevation model for San Diego County
Land Cover	SanGIS	2013	Ecology-Vegetation layer for San Diego County downloaded from SanGIS
Geology	Kennedy, M.P., and Tan, S.S.	2002	Geologic Map of the Oceanside 30’x60’ Quadrangle, California, California Geological Survey, Regional Geologic Map No. 2, 1:100,000 scale.
	Kennedy, M.P., and Tan, S.S.	2008	Geologic Map of the San Diego 30’x60’ Quadrangle, California, California Geological Survey, Regional Geologic Map No. 3, 1:100,000 scale.
	Todd, V.R.	2004	Preliminary Geologic Map of the El Cajon 30’x60’ Quadrangle, Southern California, United States Geological Survey, Southern California Areal Mapping Project (SCAMP), Open File Report 2004-1361, 1:100,000 scale.
	Jennings et al.	2010	“Geologic Map of California,” California Geological Survey, Map No. 2 – Geologic Map of California, 1:750,000 scale

2.4.2. Methodology/Assumptions/Criteria for identifying potential critical coarse sediment yield areas

The methodology used to identify coarse sediment yield areas is based on Geomorphic

Landscape Unit (GLU) methodology presented in the SCCWRP Technical Report 605 titled “Hydromodification Screening Tools: GIS-Based Catchment Analyses of Potential Changes in Runoff and Sediment Discharge” (SCCWRP, 2010). Geomorphic Landscape Units characterize the magnitude of sediment production from areas through three factors judged to exert the greatest influence on the variability on sediment-production rates: geology types, hillslope gradient, and land cover. The GLU approach provides a useful, rapid framework to identify sediment-delivery attributes of the watershed. The process to integrate these factors into GLUs is indicated in the flow chart below.



The following steps were used to define Geomorphic Landscape Units (GLUs), which were then related to the coarse sediment and critical coarse sediment yield areas in the San Dieguito River WMA.

1. **Integrate data sets used to determine GLU:** Categories for geology, gradient, and land cover were defined based on readily available GIS datasets for the region and classifications found in relevant literature listed in Chapter 6. The different combinations of these categories make up distinct GLUs.
 - **Geologic Categories:** based on methodology listed in Attachment A.4.1 of Attachment A.4. Resulting geologic categories from this analysis are: Coarse Bedrock (CB), Coarse Sedimentary Impermeable (CSI), Coarse Sedimentary Permeable (CSP), Fine Bedrock (FB), Fine Sedimentary Impermeable (FSI), Fine Sedimentary Permeable (FSP), and Other (O). An exhibit showing the regional geology groupings is presented in Attachment A.4.

- **Land cover categories:** defined using the Ecology Vegetation GIS map layer developed by the City of San Diego, the County of San Diego and SANDAG which were downloaded from SanGIS (2013). The vegetation categories in the GIS layer were grouped (Table A.1.2 in Attachment A.1) to match the following categories used in SCCWRP's Technical Report 605 (SCCWRP, 2010): Agriculture/Grass; Developed; Forest; Scrub/Shrub, Other (Water) and Unknown.
 - **Gradient Categories:** based on slope ranges found in a review of relevant literature (GLU methodology applied in California) listed in Chapter 6. The spatial processing of the slope categories utilized the USGS National Elevation Dataset (NED). Slope ranges used include: 0% to 10%, 10% to 20%, 20% to 40%, and greater than 40%.
2. **GLU Union Results:** GIS mapping exercise for the study area resulted in 166 GLUs within the 9 WMAs in San Diego County. Table A.4.2 in Attachment A.4 provides the list of the 166 GLUs.
- For implementing hydromodification management performance standards in the Regional MS4 Permit, the Copermittees need to identify Critical Coarse Sediment Yield areas in the study region. To provide information on the identification of Critical Coarse Sediment yield, the study assumed that critical coarse sediment would be generated from GLUs that are composed of geologic units likely to generate coarse sediment (based on the methodology listed in Step 3) and have the potential for high relative sediment production (as estimated using the methodology listed in Step 4).
3. **Define Pertinent Geologic groups:** the geologic groups (Attachment A.4.1) considered in this study to have the potential to generate coarse sediment are Coarse Bedrock (CB), Coarse Sedimentary Impermeable (CSI), and Coarse Sedimentary Permeable (CSP). An exhibit showing the regional geologic grouping is presented in Attachment A.4.
4. **Relate GLU to Sediment Production:** For assigning GLUs with a relative sediment production, the following methodology was utilized:
- Conducted quantitative analysis to assign relative sediment production. Analysis was performed based on the assumption that sediment production from an area is proportional to the soil loss from the area, as evaluated using standard soil loss equation. Detailed analysis steps are documented in Attachment A.4.2;
 - To validate the quantitative assignment above, a qualitative field assessment was conducted for 40 sites. Site selection and findings from the field assessment is documented in Attachment A.4.3.
 - The result of the field assessment indicated a 65% match between field conditions and the quantitative assignments. The mismatches are attributed to differences in percent land cover as assumed for the quantitative analysis and those observed in the field. As such, the quantitative assignments were considered to be valid for the purposes of assigning relative sediment production.

2.4.3. Results for identifying potential critical coarse sediment yield areas

The resulting GIS maps showing the spatial distribution of geologic grouping and critical coarse sediment yield areas within the San Dieguito River WMA are provided in Attachment A.4. An ArcMap document which presents the results from each step of the methodology is included in Attachment C. Based on this analysis it was estimated that 26.5 % of the study area is a potential critical coarse sediment yield area.

As a result of the regional-scale datasets, and commensurate data resolution, used to map the potential critical coarse sediment yield areas, some areas may have been mapped that in reality do not produce critical coarse sediment as they are existing developed areas. As such, an opportunity for jurisdictions to incorporate more refined data into the preliminary WMAA GIS dataset based on local knowledge and review of current aerial images was provided. The City of Poway, the City of Del Mar, and the County of San Diego provided augmented data in the San Dieguito WMA for their respective jurisdictional areas.

Summary of Deliverables for Potential Critical Coarse Sediment Yield Areas

Format	Item	Description	Location
Report	Figures	"Geologic Grouping" "Potential Critical Coarse Sediment Yield Areas"	Attachment A.4
GIS	Map Group Layer Name	Potential Coarse Sediment Yield	Attachment C.1
	Map Layer Title	Geologic Grouping Land Cover Slope Category Geomorphic Landscape Unit Potential Coarse Sediment Yield Area Relative Sediment Production Potential Critical Coarse Sediment Yield Area	
	Geodatabase Feature Dataset	PotentialCoarseSedimentYield	
	Geodatabase Feature Class	GLUAnalysis PotentialCoarseSedimentYieldAreas PotentialCriticalCoarseSedimentYieldAreas	
	Geodatabase Geometry Type	Polygon	
KMZ ¹	KMZ File Name	Potential Critical Coarse Sediment Yield Areas	Attachment C.2

¹ To enhance the utilization of this data, the Geomorphic Landscape Unit Analysis is provided in both traditional GIS file format (ESRI software license purchase required) and as a Google Earth KMZ (Keyhole Markup Language/Zipped) file that can be viewed with the free download version of Google Earth (<http://www.google.com/earth/>).

2.4.4. Limitations for identifying potential critical coarse sediment yield areas

The resulting GIS layers were developed using regional datasets and provide a useful, rapid framework to perform screening-level analysis that is appropriate for watershed-scale planning studies. The methodology used to identify potential coarse sediment yield areas does not account for instream sediment supply and sediment production from mass failures like landslides which

are difficult to estimate on a regional scale without performing extensive field investigation. This data set also does not account for potential existing impediments that may hinder delivery of coarse sediment to receiving waters or downstream locations within the watershed as this was beyond the scope of a regional study. Where more precise estimates are required for a particular site or subarea it is recommended that this analysis be augmented with site-specific analysis. It is also recognized that this regional data set is a function of the inherent data resolution and therefore may not conform to all site conditions, or does not reflect changes to particular areas that have occurred since the underlying data was developed. As such, the WMAA data for the potential critical coarse sediment yield areas should be verified in the field according to the procedures outlined in the Model BMP Design Manual and/or jurisdiction specific BMP Design Manual.

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2.5. Physical Structures

The Regional MS4 Permit requires the Copermittees to identify information regarding locations of existing flood control structures and channel structures, such as stream armoring, constrictions, grade control structures, and hydromodification or flood management basins with GIS layers (maps) as output, for each WMA being analyzed for the purpose of developing watershed-specific requirements for structural BMP implementation. This study identified the physical structures using a desktop-level analysis for the stream(s) identified in Section 2.2 in compliance with this permit provision.

2.5.1. Approach for identifying physical structures

The intent of this portion of the WMAA project was to provide an initial assessment of the structures of interest for the stream(s) identified in Section 2.2. This desktop-level analysis was conducted primarily as a visual survey of aerial imagery and FEMA flood insurance study (FIS) profiles where available. The collected information was entered into a GIS layer for inclusion into the overall WMAA geodatabase containing the characterization layers required by the Regional MS4 Permit. To support overall WMA characterization, the information derived in this task provides insight into water and sediment movement through the watershed (SCCWRP, 2012), the opportunities and limitations for infrastructure retrofits and also informs efforts to identify appropriate locations for habitat or riparian area rehabilitation in relation to proximate infrastructure. Specific information regarding how the survey was performed and the attributes of the generated data is presented in Attachment A.5. Note that concrete channels, pipes/culverts, riprap or other artificial stream armoring, and basins have also been identified in the linework generated for the streams (see Section 2.2).

2.5.2. Results for identifying physical structures

The resulting GIS mapping provided in Attachment A.5 shows the spatial locations of the physical structures within the mapped stream(s).

Summary of Deliverables for Physical Structures

Format	Item	Description	Location
Report	Figure	Watershed Management Area Streams by Reach Type with Channel Structures	Attachment A.5
GIS	Map Group Layer Name	Channel Structures	Attachment C.1
	Map Layer Title	Channel Structures	
	Geodatabase Feature Dataset	ChannelStructures	
	Geodatabase Feature Class	ChannelStructures	
	Geodatabase Geometry Type	Point	
KMZ ¹	Kmz File Name	ChannelStructures	Attachment C.2

¹ To enhance the utilization of this data, the Physical Structures map is provided in both traditional GIS file format (ESRI software license purchase required) and as a Google Earth KMZ (Keyhole Markup Language/Zipped) file that can be viewed with the free download version of Google Earth (<http://www.google.com/earth/>).

3. Template for Candidate Project List

The Regional MS4 Permit requires each WMA to use the results from the WMA characterization to compile a list of candidate projects that could potentially be used as alternative compliance options for Priority Development Projects should an agency or jurisdiction opt to develop an alternative compliance program. Copermittees must first conclude that implementing such a candidate project would provide greater overall benefit to the watershed than requiring implementation of structural BMPs onsite prior to implementing these candidate projects as alternative compliance projects.

The Copermittees elected to identify potential candidate projects as a separate effort from this regional project, and therefore the process for identifying candidate projects is not documented in this report. Instead, this project only developed a template, in a spreadsheet format, for use by the Copermittees to compile lists of potential candidate projects. The template is intended to enhance regional consistency of the information that is gathered for candidate projects. The template spreadsheet file was distributed to the Copermittees on January 28, 2014. A table of the template components is indicated below:

Column	Primary Heading	Secondary Heading	Guidance for Completing the Project List
A	Project Identifier	-	Unique identifier for the project.
B	Watershed Management Area	-	Dropdown menu to select the watershed management area the project is located in
C	Hydrologic Area (HA)	-	Dropdown menu to select the hydrologic area the project is located in Select a WMA in column B for HA (Column C) dropdown menu to activate.
D	Hydrologic Subarea (HSA)	-	Dropdown menu to select the hydrologic subarea the project is located in. Select a HA in column C for HSA (Column D) dropdown menu to activate.
E	Jurisdiction	-	Dropdown menu to select the jurisdiction the project is located in. Select a HSA in column D for Jurisdiction (Column E) dropdown menu to activate.
F	Project Name	-	Indicate the name of the project.
G	Ownership	Type	Dropdown menu to select if the project is a public project, private project, or public-private partnership.
H	Ownership	Ownership Information	List the details for the owner.
I	Project Location	Address	List the address of the project site.
J	Project Location	APN	List the APN of the parcel.
K	Project Location	Latitude	List the latitude of the project site.
L	Project Location	Longitude	List the longitude of the project site.

Column	Primary Heading	Secondary Heading	Guidance for Completing the Project List
M	Project Origination/ Originator	Name	List the name of the report/organization/individual that provided the idea for the project. Potential origination sources: WQIP, WMAA, JURMPs, WURMPs, CLRPs, IRWM, MSCP, MHPA, Other.
N	Project Origination/ Originator	Contact Information	Link or report title if the proposed project is from a report [or] contact information if from an organization/individual.
O	Project Category	-	Drop Down menu to select the project category; In addition to the 6 project categories explicitly listed in the Regional MS4 Permit, the drop down menu also has a category "Other project types allowed by the MS4 Permit". Example for "Other" project types are agency CIP programs such as Green Streets, LID conversions (medians, parks), agency filter installation, etc.
P	Specific Project Type	-	List the subcategory of the project; for example, list Regional BMP type (i.e. infiltration basin, wetland, etc.).
Q	Potential Pollutant	-	Identify the potential pollutant(s) that can be treated by the proposed project.
R	Project Size & Parameters	Contributing Drainage Area (acres)	List the contributing drainage area to the project.
S	Project Size & Parameters	Parcel Size (acres)	List the size of the parcel the project is located on.
T	Project Size & Parameters	Project Footprint (acres)	List the size of the project footprint.
U	Project Size & Parameters	Parameters (with units as necessary)	Parameters needed to quantify benefits from the project; i.e. for an infiltration basin, list the water quality volume, long-term infiltration rate, depth of the basin, etc.
V	Regulatory Requirement	-	Indicate if the project is proposed to meet particular regulatory requirement such as TMDL, etc.
W	Project Timeline	-	Indicate if a project must be implemented by certain date to meet a grant deadline or other time commitment.
X	Other Notes	-	List any other relevant notes; for example, when retrofitting existing infrastructure project category is selected, input parameters needed to quantify benefits from existing infrastructure into this column as these will be needed to estimate additional benefits that can be used for alternative compliance. If N/A is selected in any dropdown menus, add additional explanation in here

4. Hydromodification Management Applicability/Exemptions

Hydromodification, which is caused by both altered storm water flow and altered sediment flow regimes, is largely responsible for degradation of creeks, streams, and associated habitats in the San Diego Region. The purpose of the hydromodification management requirements in the Regional MS4 Permit is to maintain or restore more natural hydrologic flow regimes to prevent accelerated, unnatural erosion in downstream receiving waters.

In some cases, priority development projects may be exempt from hydromodification management requirements if the project site discharges runoff to receiving waters that are not susceptible to erosion (e.g., a lake, bay, or the Pacific Ocean) either directly or via hardened systems including concrete-lined channels or existing underground storm drain systems.

The March 2011 Final Hydromodification Management Plan (HMP) identified certain exemptions from hydromodification management requirements by presenting "HMP applicability criteria." The Regional MS4 Permit maintains some of these HMP applicability criteria. However, some of the applicability criteria are not included under the Regional MS4 Permit unless the area or receiving water is mapped in the WMAA. The intent of this Section is to provide mapping of areas exempt from hydromodification management requirements, and provide supporting technical analyses for exemptions that are recommended by the WMAA.

4.1. Additional Analysis for Hydromodification Management Exemptions

This section documents additional analysis performed to further evaluate the following exemptions that were already approved by the San Diego Regional Board with the 2011 Final Hydromodification Management Plan. This study only provides additional analysis, data, and rationale for supporting or eliminating the following existing exemptions and does not propose or study any new exemptions.

- Exempt River Reaches
- Stabilized Conveyance Systems Draining to Exempt Water Bodies
- Highly Impervious Watersheds and Urban Infill and
- Tidally Influenced Lagoons

4.1.1. Exempt River Reach

4.1.1.1. History

The March 2011 Final HMP, approved by the SDRWQCB under the 2007 MS4 Permit, provides the following exemption from hydromodification management requirements under Section 6.1, HMP Applicability Requirements:

- *Figure 6-1, Node 5 – Potential exemptions may be granted for projects discharging runoff directly to an exempt receiving water, such as the Pacific Ocean, San Diego Bay, an exempt river system (detailed in Table 6-1), or an exempt reservoir system (detailed in Table 6-2).*

Exempt river system/reach from the 2011 Final HMP:

River	Downstream Limit	Upstream Limit
San Dieguito River	Outfall to Pacific Ocean	Lake Hodges Dam

Exemptions related to runoff discharging directly to the above river reach was based on the flow duration analysis performed for the San Diego River in the Final HMP and the Technical Advisory Committee (formed to provide input on the development of the Final HMP) members' opinion (based on field observations and years of historical perspective) that the above river reach have very low gradients, were depositional (aggrading), have very wide floodplain areas when in the natural condition and that the effects of cumulative watershed impacts to this reach is minimal provided that properly sized energy dissipation is provided at outfalls to the river.

4.1.1.2. Status under 2013 Regional MS4 Permit

Under the Regional MS4 Permit, exempt river reaches would not qualify for exemption from hydromodification management controls unless the optional WMAA is developed with additional rationale/analyses to support reinstating exemptions to these river reaches. Additional analysis performed as part of the WMAA to evaluate hydromodification management control exemptions to the previously exempt reaches is presented below.

4.1.1.3. Research, Approach and Results

Hydromodification impacts can be caused due to increase in flows, changes in sediment transport capacity and changes in sediment supply to the streams (SCCWRP, 2012). In order to evaluate the cumulative impacts due to development and determine if hydromodification management exemption can be reinstated for the river reach that was exempt in the previous permit term erosion potential (Ep) analysis was used to evaluate the increase in flows and changes in sediment transport capacity. In addition, sediment supply potential (Sp) analysis was used to evaluate the changes in sediment supply in this study. In regards to Ep analysis SCCWRP Technical Report 667 "Hydromodification Assessment and Management in California" states:

"The underlying premise of the erosion potential approach advances the concept of flow duration control by addressing in-stream processes related to sediment transport. An erosion potential calculation combines flow parameters with stream geometry to assess long term (decadal) changes in the sediment transport capacity. The cumulative distribution of shear stress, specific stream power and sediment transport capacity across

the entire range of relevant flows can be calculated and expressed using an erosion potential metric, Ep (e.g., Bledsoe, 2002)."

The approach used in this study is explained in detail in Attachment B.1.1.1. The following WMA characterization maps developed in Section 2 were used to select inputs for the exempt river reach analysis:

- Planning land use layers from Section 2.3 were used to estimate the existing impervious area and identify the developable parcels in each watershed. A GIS exercise was performed to identify the developable parcels in each watershed that will be exempt from hydromodification management requirements if the exemption is granted.
- Stream type classification analysis from Section 2.2 was used to select a conservative cross section (segments that are assigned naturally constrained) to be used in analysis for each watershed
- GLU analysis and its associated quantitative analysis described in Section 2.4 were used to determine Sp metric for each watershed. In this study coarse sediment supply changes were limited to changes in hill slope erosion between existing condition and future condition (for parcels that are proposed to be exempt from hydromodification management) of the watershed. It was assumed that the changes in instream sediment supply between existing and future condition for these large depositional river systems are very minimal.

Selection of inputs for the analysis is explained in detail in Attachment B.1.1.2 and results from the analysis are presented in Attachment B.1.1.3 in tabular format.

The Ep analysis performed in this study does not account for the following Regional MS4 permit requirements as a conservative assumption. If accounted for, it will result in a smaller Ep than what is currently reported in Attachment B.1.1.3:

- New development priority development projects including projects that are proposed to be exempt from hydromodification management requirements through this WMAA study must implement retention BMPs to the extent feasible if alternative compliance option is not selected or not available.
- Redevelopment priority development projects must mitigate to the pre-developed condition

4.1.1.4. Recommendation

Based on the results from this study reported in Attachment B.1.1.3, the flow duration analysis performed in the Final HMP, and the Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) recommendations provided during the Final HMP development, it is recommended that hydromodification management exemption be reinstated for projects discharging runoff directly to the following exempt river reach:

River	Downstream Limit	Upstream Limit
San Dieguito River	Upstream edge of the railroad crossing	Lake Hodges Dam

Each municipality must define/approve “direct discharge” based on the project site conditions. To qualify for the potential exemption, the outlet elevation must be between the river bottom elevation and the 100-year floodplain elevation and properly designed energy dissipation must be provided. Mapping of these exempt river reaches is presented in Attachment B.2.

4.1.1.5. Limitations

The analysis and associated recommendations as presented above were based on instream erosion as the primary consideration to support reinstatement of exemptions from hydromodification management controls for discharges directly to these river reaches. While it is recognized that other factors contribute to adverse impacts (e.g., salinity imbalance, pollutants) to instream habitat and resulting biotic integrity, hydromodification management control has traditionally been considered an “umbrella process” that encompasses most of the highest risk stressors (percent sands and fines present, channel alteration, and riparian disturbance) to physical habitat. Beyond demonstrating that instream erosion is not anticipated as a result of reinstating hydromodification management control exemptions for discharges to these river reaches, a focused method for correlating physical and biotic integrity to modified hydrological conditions has not been performed in this analysis, as an assessment method has not yet been developed.

The current assessment methods may yield inconclusive results when attempting to identify causal relationships between degraded instream habitat solely due to increased flows and erosive force from hydromodification. A causal assessment recently conducted in the lower reaches of the San Diego River, conducted as a partnership between the Southern California Coastal Water Research Project (SCCWRP), the City of San Diego, the County of San Diego, and the San Diego RWQCB, focused on stressors potentially responsible for known biological impairment of the river. Once the data of the causal assessment become available, it may be useful in classifying the potential stressors such as altered physical habitat as likely, unlikely, or an uncertain cause to biological impairment.

With respect to adverse impacts to habitat as a result of pollutants entrained in storm water discharges, these areas will still be subject over time to the pollutant control requirements of the Regional MS4 Permit as areas develop or redevelop. The current requirements obligate development to maximize retention of the design storm volume which will mitigate a portion of the volume that would otherwise be controlled with hydromodification management BMPs. In some cases, this offsetting of volume reduction through pollutant control BMPs may exceed the HMP volumes. In addition, the development that occurs within the exempted watershed areas is still required to provide any applicable flood control measures. Risk of flooding as a result of exemption from hydromodification controls is unlikely as the control thresholds are significantly lower (order of magnitude) than flood control requirements implemented to protect life and property.

4.1.2. Stabilized Conveyance Systems Draining to Exempt Water Bodies

There are no stabilized conveyance systems currently recommended for exemption from hydromodification management requirements in the San Dieguito River WMA. If engineered conveyance systems that are stabilized with materials other than concrete, such as riprap, turf reinforcement mat, or vegetation, including rehabilitated stream systems, are identified as potential candidates for exemption, they may be studied and may be recommended exempt if they meet specific criteria presented in the Regional WMAA for this exemption. Refer to the Regional WMAA for the criteria and an example study that was prepared for Forester Creek in the San Diego River WMA. However, any future proposed HMP exemptions would need to be approved through the WQIP Annual Update process (Regional MS4 Permit Section F.1.2.c.).

4.1.3. Highly Impervious/Highly Urbanized Watersheds and Urban Infill

Based on evaluation of the highly impervious/highly urbanized watershed and urban infill exemptions presented in the March 2011 Final HMP, and comparison with more recent research prepared for the Ventura County Hydromodification Control Plan (Ventura County HCP) (Final Draft dated September 2013), resurrection of these exemptions from the March 2011 Final HMP was not recommended by the Regional WMAA. The research prepared in support of the Ventura County HCP determined lower thresholds of additional impervious area (ranging from 0.44% to 1.65%) than the limit presented in the San Diego County Final HMP dated March 2011 (3%). No areas within the San Dieguito River WMA are currently recommended for highly impervious/highly urbanized watershed or urban infill exemption.

4.1.4. Tidally Influenced Lagoons

There are no areas recommended for exemption from hydromodification management requirements under the tidally influenced lagoons category in the San Dieguito River WMA. Refer to the Regional WMAA for further information regarding this exemption.

5. Conclusions

5.1. Watershed Management Area Characterization

The WMA Characterization data was developed using available regional data to further understand the macro-scale watershed characteristics and processes in the San Dieguito River WMA. The Regional MS4 Permit allows for flexibility in complying with land development requirements when using the information developed in the WMAA to improve water quality planning and implementation associated with land development. This dataset will assist with identifying the opportunities and constraints for projects and management decisions based on a watershed scale (rather than piecemeal project identification without context within the watershed) and provides Copermittees the ability to exercise the option to create an alternative compliance program that offers the opportunity to develop watershed-specific alternatives to universal onsite structural BMP implementation. The characterization data includes:

Characterization Data	Utilization Potential
Dominant Hydrologic Process: • Overland flow • Infiltration • Interflow	• Identify areas for enhanced infiltration or collection of storm water for treatment • Implement management measures that correspond to pre-development conditions – promotes long-term channel stability and health • Increases understanding of the natural functioning of the watershed and what has been (or is at risk of being) altered by urbanization.
Stream Characterization: • Reach type • Bed material • Bank material • Hydrographic category • Channel Structures	• Preliminary dataset that can be used to conduct stream power evaluations • Identify channel systems for preservation or restoration • Identification of appropriate space for channel processes to occur (e.g., flood plain connectivity) • Insight to sensitivity of receiving stream reach • Indicates the features within channels that affect water and sediment movement through the watershed

Characterization Data	Utilization Potential
Land Use: • Existing • Future	• Foresight (identifies relative risks, opportunities, or constraints) in comparing future to existing land uses, i.e., areas that may be more/less vulnerable to adverse impacts to changes in storm water runoff associated with development • Encourage infill development
Potential Critical Coarse Sediment Yield Areas	• Preservation of areas or function that contributes critical sediment within the watershed to stream armoring/stability • Assist with identifying potentially susceptible stream reaches that require uninterrupted coarse sediment supplies to remain stable • Dual goal of open space conservation

Regarding the identification of the potential critical coarse sediment yield areas in the WMAA using readily available regional datasets, it is anticipated that when more precise estimates for potential critical coarse sediment yield areas are required for a particular site or subarea that this regional study will be augmented with site-specific analysis. Development projects must avoid critical sediment yield areas or implement measures that allow critical coarse sediment to be discharged to receiving waters, such that there is no net impact to the receiving water to meet the requirements of the Regional MS4 permit. As such, projects should consult the Model BMP Design Manual and/or jurisdiction specific BMP Design manual for options to meet the Regional MS4 Permit requirements. It is anticipated that the data will not be static but will be enhanced over time through future studies or field assessments that will refine what is currently a macro-level data set.

5.2.Template for Candidate Project List

It is anticipated the Copermittees that elect to develop alternative compliance programs will conduct a separate exercise to nominate potential candidate projects for inclusion into the WQIPs using the template developed for this project.

5.3.Hydromodification Management Exemptions

Attachment B.2 presents hydromodification management applicability/exemption mapping for the San Dieguito River WMA. The mapping includes receiving waters that are exempt based on the Regional MS4 Permit or recommended exempt based on studies.

Receiving waters that are **exempt** based on the Regional MS4 Permit include:

- The Pacific Ocean
- Lakes and Reservoirs
- Existing underground storm drains or concrete-lined channels draining directly to the ocean

Receiving waters or conveyance systems that are **recommended exempt** in the San Dieguito River WMA based on a study that was prepared as part of the Regional WMAA include:

- San Dieguito River from upstream edge of the railroad crossing to Lake Hodges Dam
- Existing underground storm drains or concrete-lined channels discharging directly to the recommended exempt reach of the San Dieguito River. These systems were identified based on MS4 data provided by the Copermittees via the data call. These systems may not represent all discharges to the recommended exempt reach of the San Dieguito River. Additional systems may be considered exempt if there is no evidence of erosion at the outfall of the conveyance system, and any other criteria determined by the local jurisdiction.

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DOMINANT HYDROLOGICAL PROCESS

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A.1 Dominant Hydrological Process

Table A.1.1: Runoff Coefficients versus Land Use, Hydrologic Soil Group (A, B, C, D), and Slope Range

Land Use	A			B			C			D		
	0-2%	2-6%	6% ^a	0-2%	2-6%	6% ^a	0-2%	2-6%	6% ^a	0-2%	2-6%	6% ^a
Cultivated land	0.08 ^a	0.13	0.16	0.11	0.15	0.21	0.14	0.19	0.26	0.18	0.23	0.31
	0.14 ^b	0.18	0.22	0.16	0.21	0.28	0.20	0.25	0.34	0.24	0.29	0.41
Pasture	0.12	0.20	0.30	0.18	0.28	0.37	0.24	0.34	0.44	0.30	0.40	0.50
	0.15	0.25	0.37	0.23	0.34	0.45	0.30	0.42	0.52	0.37	0.50	0.62
Meadow	0.10	0.16	0.25	0.14	0.22	0.30	0.20	0.28	0.36	0.24	0.30	0.40
	0.14	0.22	0.30	0.20	0.28	0.37	0.26	0.35	0.44	0.30	0.40	0.50
Forest	0.05	0.08	0.11	0.08	0.11	0.14	0.10	0.13	0.16	0.12	0.16	0.20
	0.08	0.11	0.14	0.10	0.14	0.18	0.12	0.16	0.20	0.15	0.20	0.25
Residential lot size 1/8 acre	0.25	0.28	0.31	0.27	0.30	0.35	0.30	0.33	0.38	0.33	0.36	0.42
	0.33	0.37	0.40	0.35	0.39	0.44	0.38	0.42	0.49	0.41	0.45	0.54
Residential lot size 1/4 acre	0.22	0.26	0.29	0.24	0.29	0.33	0.27	0.31	0.36	0.30	0.34	0.40
	0.30	0.34	0.37	0.33	0.37	0.42	0.36	0.40	0.47	0.38	0.42	0.52
Residential lot size 1/3 acre	0.19	0.23	0.26	0.22	0.26	0.30	0.25	0.29	0.34	0.28	0.32	0.39
	0.28	0.32	0.35	0.30	0.35	0.39	0.33	0.38	0.45	0.36	0.40	0.50
Residential lot size 1/2 acre	0.16	0.20	0.24	0.19	0.23	0.28	0.22	0.27	0.32	0.26	0.30	0.37
	0.25	0.29	0.32	0.28	0.32	0.36	0.31	0.35	0.42	0.34	0.38	0.48
Residential lot size 1 acre	0.14	0.19	0.22	0.17	0.21	0.26	0.20	0.25	0.31	0.24	0.29	0.35
	0.22	0.26	0.29	0.24	0.28	0.34	0.28	0.32	0.40	0.31	0.35	0.46
Industrial	0.67	0.68	0.68	0.68	0.68	0.69	0.68	0.69	0.69	0.69	0.69	0.70
	0.85	0.85	0.86	0.85	0.86	0.86	0.86	0.86	0.87	0.86	0.86	0.88
Commercial	0.71	0.71	0.72	0.71	0.72	0.72	0.72	0.72	0.72	0.72	0.72	0.72
	0.88	0.88	0.89	0.89	0.89	0.89	0.89	0.89	0.90	0.89	0.89	0.90
Streets	0.70	0.71	0.72	0.71	0.72	0.74	0.72	0.73	0.76	0.73	0.75	0.78
	0.76	0.77	0.79	0.80	0.82	0.84	0.84	0.85	0.89	0.89	0.91	0.95
Open space	0.05	0.10	0.14	0.08	0.13	0.19	0.12	0.17	0.24	0.15	0.21	0.28
	0.11	0.16	0.20	0.14	0.19	0.26	0.18	0.23	0.32	0.22	0.27	0.39
Parking	0.85	0.86	0.87	0.85	0.86	0.87	0.85	0.86	0.87	0.85	0.86	0.87
	0.95	0.96	0.97	0.95	0.96	0.97	0.95	0.96	0.97	0.95	0.96	0.97

^a Runoff coefficients for storm recurrence intervals less than 25 years.

^b Runoff coefficients for storm recurrence intervals of 25 years or longer.

Source: Table 7-9 in *Hydrologic Analysis and Design* (McCuen, 2005)

Table A.1.2: Land Cover Grouping

Id	SanGIS Legend	SanGIS Grouping	Land Cover Grouping
1	42000 Valley and Foothill Grassland	Grasslands, Vernal Pools, Meadows, and Other Herb Communities	Agricultural/Grass
2	42100 Native Grassland		Agricultural/Grass
3	42110 Valley Needlegrass Grassland		Agricultural/Grass
4	42120 Valley Sacaton Grassland		Agricultural/Grass

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Id	SanGIS Legend	SanGIS Grouping	Land Cover Grouping
5	42200 Non-Native Grassland	Grasslands, Vernal Pools, Meadows, and Other Herb Communities	Agricultural/Grass
6	42300 Wildflower Field		Agriculture/Grass
7	42400 Foothill/Mountain Perennial Grassland		Agriculture/Grass
8	42470 Transmontane Dropseed Grassland		Agriculture/Grass
9	45000 Meadow and Seep		Agriculture/Grass
10	45100 Montane Meadow		Agriculture/Grass
11	45110 Wet Montane Meadow		Agriculture/Grass
12	45120 Dry Montane Meadows		Agriculture/Grass
13	45300 Alkali Meadows and Seeps		Agriculture/Grass
14	45320 Alkali Seep		Agriculture/Grass
15	45400 Freshwater Seep		Agriculture/Grass
16	46000 Alkali Playa Community		Agriculture/Grass
17	46100 Badlands/Mudhill Forbs		Agriculture/Grass
18	Non-Native Grassland		Agriculture/Grass
19	18000 General Agriculture		Agriculture/Grass
20	18100 Orchards and Vineyards		Agriculture/Grass
21	18200 Intensive Agriculture		Agriculture/Grass
22	18200 Intensive Agriculture - Dairies, Nurseries, Chicken Ranches	Non-Native Vegetation, Developed Areas, or Unvegetated Habitat	Agriculture/Grass
23	18300 Extensive Agriculture - Field/Pasture, Row Crops		Agriculture/Grass
24	18310 Field/Pasture		Agriculture/Grass
25	18310 Pasture		Agriculture/Grass
26	18320 Row Crops		Agriculture/Grass
27	12000 Urban/Developed		Developed
28	12000 Urban/Developed		Developed
29	81100 Mixed Evergreen Forest	Forest	Forest
30	81300 Oak Forest		Forest
31	81310 Coast Live Oak Forest		Forest
32	81320 Canyon Live Oak Forest		Forest
33	81340 Black Oak Forest		Forest
34	83140 Torrey Pine Forest		Forest
35	83230 Southern Interior Cypress Forest		Forest
36	84000 Lower Montane Coniferous Forest		Forest
37	84100 Coast Range, Klamath and Peninsular Coniferous Forest		Forest

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Id	SanGIS Legend	SanGIS Grouping	Land Cover Grouping
38	84140 Coulter Pine Forest	Forest	Forest
39	84150 Bigcone Spruce (Bigcone Douglas Fir)-Canyon Oak Forest		Forest
40	84230 Sierran Mixed Coniferous Forest		Forest
41	84500 Mixed Oak/Coniferous/Bigcone/Coulter		Forest
42	85100 Jeffrey Pine Forest		Forest
43	11100 Eucalyptus Woodland	Non-Native Vegetation, Developed Areas, or Unvegetated Habitat	Forest
44	60000 RIPARIAN AND BOTTOMLAND HABITAT	Riparian and Bottomland Habitat	Forest
45	61000 Riparian Forests		Forest
46	61300 Southern Riparian Forest		Forest
47	61310 Southern Coast Live Oak Riparian Forest		Forest
48	61320 Southern Arroyo Willow Riparian Forest		Forest
49	61330 Southern Cottonwood-willow Riparian Forest		Forest
50	61510 White Alder Riparian Forest		Forest
51	61810 Sonoran Cottonwood-willow Riparian Forest		Forest
52	61820 Mesquite Bosque		Forest
53	62000 Riparian Woodlands		Forest
54	62200 Desert Dry Wash Woodland		Forest
55	62300 Desert Fan Palm Oasis Woodland		Forest
56	62400 Southern Sycamore-alder Riparian Woodland		Forest
57	70000 WOODLAND	Woodland	Forest
58	71000 Cismontane Woodland		Forest
59	71100 Oak Woodland		Forest
60	71120 Black Oak Woodland		Forest
61	71160 Coast Live Oak Woodland		Forest
62	71161 Open Coast Live Oak Woodland		Forest
63	71162 Dense Coast Live Oak Woodland		Forest
64	71162 Dense Coast Love Oak Woodland		Forest

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Id	SanGIS Legend	SanGIS Grouping	Land Cover Grouping
65	71180 Engelmann Oak Woodland	Woodland	Forest
66	71181 Open Engelmann Oak Woodland		Forest
67	71182 Dense Engelmann Oak Woodland		Forest
68	72300 Peninsular Pinon and Juniper Woodlands		Forest
69	72310 Peninsular Pinon Woodland		Forest
70	72320 Peninsular Juniper Woodland and Scrub		Forest
71	75100 Elephant Tree Woodland		Forest
72	77000 Mixed Oak Woodland		Forest
73	78000 Undifferentiated Open Woodland		Forest
74	79000 Undifferentiated Dense Woodland		Forest
75	Engelmann Oak Woodland		Forest
76	52120 Southern Coastal Salt Marsh	Bog and Marsh	Other
77	52300 Alkali Marsh		Other
78	52310 Cismontane Alkali Marsh		Other
79	52400 Freshwater Marsh		Other
80	52410 Coastal and Valley Freshwater Marsh		Other
81	52420 Transmontane Freshwater Marsh		Other
82	52440 Emergent Wetland	Grasslands, Vernal Pools, Meadows, and Other Herb Communities	Other
83	44000 Vernal Pool		Other
84	44320 San Diego Mesa Vernal Pool		Other
85	44322 San Diego Mesa Claypan Vernal Pool (southern mesas)	Non-Native Vegetation, Developed Areas, or Unvegetated Habitat	Other
86	13100 Open Water		Other
87	13110 Marine		Other
88	13111 Subtidal		Other
89	13112 Intertidal		Other
90	13121 Deep Bay		Other
91	13122 Intermediate Bay		Other
92	13123 Shallow Bay		Other
93	13130 Estuarine		Other
94	13131 Subtidal		Other
95	13133 Brackishwater		Other

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Id	SanGIS Legend	SanGIS Grouping	Land Cover Grouping
96	13140 Freshwater	Non-Native Vegetation, Developed Areas, or Unvegetated Habitat	Other
97	13200 Non-Vegetated Channel, Floodway, Lakeshore Fringe		Other
98	13300 Saltpan/Mudflats		Other
99	13400 Beach		Other
100	21230 Southern Foredunes	Dune Community	Scrub/Shrub
101	22100 Active Desert Dunes		Scrub/Shrub
102	22300 Stabilized and Partially- Stabilized Desert Sand Field		Scrub/Shrub
103	24000 Stabilized Alkaline Dunes		Scrub/Shrub
104	29000 ACACIA SCRUB		Scrub/Shrub
105	63000 Riparian Scrubs	Riparian and Bottomland Habitat	Scrub/Shrub
106	63300 Southern Riparian Scrub		Scrub/Shrub
107	63310 Mule Fat Scrub		Scrub/Shrub
108	63310 Mulefat Scrub		Scrub/Shrub
109	63320 Southern Willow Scrub		Scrub/Shrub
110	63321 Arundo donax Dominant/Southern Willow Scrub		Scrub/Shrub
111	63330 Southern Riparian Scrub		Scrub/Shrub
112	63400 Great Valley Scrub		Scrub/Shrub
113	63410 Great Valley Willow Scrub		Scrub/Shrub
114	63800 Colorado Riparian Scrub		Scrub/Shrub
115	63810 Tamarisk Scrub		Scrub/Shrub
116	63820 Arrowweed Scrub		Scrub/Shrub
117	31200 Southern Coastal Bluff Scrub	Scrub and Chaparral	Scrub/Shrub
118	32000 Coastal Scrub		Scrub/Shrub
119	32400 Maritime Succulent Scrub		Scrub/Shrub
120	32500 Diegan Coastal Sage Scrub		Scrub/Shrub
121	32510 Coastal form		Scrub/Shrub
122	32520 Inland form (> 1,000 ft. elevation)		Scrub/Shrub
123	32700 Riversidian Sage Scrub		Scrub/Shrub
124	32710 Riversidian Upland Sage Scrub		Scrub/Shrub
125	32720 Alluvial Fan Scrub		Scrub/Shrub
126	33000 Sonoran Desert Scrub		Scrub/Shrub
127	33100 Sonoran Creosote Bush Scrub		Scrub/Shrub
128	33200 Sonoran Desert Mixed Scrub		Scrub/Shrub
129	33210 Sonoran Mixed Woody Scrub		Scrub/Shrub

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Id	SanGIS Legend	SanGIS Grouping	Land Cover Grouping
130	33220 Sonoran Mixed Woody and Succulent Scrub	Scrub and Chaparral	Scrub/Shrub
131	33230 Sonoran Wash Scrub		Scrub/Shrub
132	33300 Colorado Desert Wash Scrub		Scrub/Shrub
133	33600 Encelia Scrub		Scrub/Shrub
134	34000 Mojavean Desert Scrub		Scrub/Shrub
135	34300 Blackbush Scrub		Scrub/Shrub
136	35000 Great Basin Scrub		Scrub/Shrub
137	35200 Sagebrush Scrub		Scrub/Shrub
138	35210 Big Sagebrush Scrub		Scrub/Shrub
139	35210 Sagebrush Scrub		Scrub/Shrub
140	36110 Desert Saltbush Scrub		Scrub/Shrub
141	36120 Desert Sink Scrub		Scrub/Shrub
142	37000 Chaparral		Scrub/Shrub
143	37120 Southern Mixed Chaparral		Scrub/Shrub
144	37120 Southern Mixed Chapparral		Scrub/Shrub
145	37121 Granitic Southern Mixed Chaparral		Scrub/Shrub
146	37121 Southern Mixed Chaparral		Scrub/Shrub
147	37122 Mafic Southern Mixed Chaparral		Scrub/Shrub
148	37130 Northern Mixed Chaparral		Scrub/Shrub
149	37131 Granitic Northern Mixed Chaparral		Scrub/Shrub
150	37132 Mafic Northern Mixed Chaparral		Scrub/Shrub
151	37200 Chamise Chaparral		Scrub/Shrub
152	37210 Granitic Chamise Chaparral		Scrub/Shrub
153	37220 Mafic Chamise Chaparral		Scrub/Shrub
154	37300 Red Shank Chaparral		Scrub/Shrub
155	37400 Semi-Desert Chaparral		Scrub/Shrub
156	37500 Montane Chaparral		Scrub/Shrub
157	37510 Mixed Montane Chaparral		Scrub/Shrub
158	37520 Montane Manzanita Chaparral		Scrub/Shrub
159	37530 Montane Ceanothus Chaparral		Scrub/Shrub
160	37540 Montane Scrub Oak Chaparral		Scrub/Shrub
161	37800 Upper Sonoran Ceanothus Chaparral		Scrub/Shrub
162	37830 Ceanothus crassifolius Chaparral		Scrub/Shrub
163	37900 Scrub Oak Chaparral		Scrub/Shrub
164	37A00 Interior Live Oak Chaparral		Scrub/Shrub

Id	SanGIS Legend	SanGIS Grouping	Land Cover Grouping
165	37C30 Southern Maritime Chaparral	Scrub and Chaparral	Scrub/Shrub
166	37G00 Coastal Sage-Chaparral Scrub		Scrub/Shrub
167	37K00 Flat-topped Buckwheat		Scrub/Shrub
168	39000 Upper Sonoran Subshrub Scrub		Scrub/Shrub
169	Diegan Coastal Sage Scrub		Scrub/Shrub
170	Granitic Northern Mixed Chaparral		Scrub/Shrub
171	Southern Mixed Chaparral		Scrub/Shrub
172	11000 Non-Native Vegetation	Non-Native Vegetation, Developed Areas, or Unvegetated Habitat	Unknown
173	11000 Non-Native VegetationVegetation		Unknown
174	11200 Disturbed Wetland		Unknown
175	11300 Disturbed Habitat		Unknown
176	13000 Unvegetated Habitat		Unknown
177	Disturbed Habitat		Unknown

Table A.1.3: Related Land Cover and Land Use Categories

Land Cover per San Diego County	Land Use per Table A.1.1
Agriculture/Grass	Meadow
Forest	Forest
Scrub/Shrub	Average (Meadow, Forest)
Unknown/Other	Meadow

Table A.1.4: Applicable Hydrologic Response Unit Calculations

Land Cover	Soil	Gradient	Runoff Coeff.	ET Coeff.	Infiltration Coeff.	Runoff/ Infiltration Ratio	Hydrologic Process Designation
Agriculture/Grass	A	0-2%	0.10	0.60	0.30	0.33	I
Agriculture/Grass	A	2-6%	0.16	0.60	0.24	0.67	U
Agriculture/Grass	A	6-10%	0.25	0.60	0.15	1.67	O
Agriculture/Grass	B	0-2%	0.14	0.60	0.26	0.54	I
Agriculture/Grass	B	2-6%	0.22	0.60	0.18	1.22	U
Agriculture/Grass	B	6-10%	0.30	0.60	0.10	3.00	O
Agriculture/Grass	C	0-2%	0.20	0.60	0.20	1.00	U
Agriculture/Grass	C	2-6%	0.28	0.60	0.12	2.33	O
Agriculture/Grass	C	6-10%	0.36	0.60	0.04	9.00	O
Agriculture/Grass	D	0-2%	0.24	0.60	0.16	1.50	U
Agriculture/Grass	D	2-6%	0.30	0.60	0.10	3.00	O
Agriculture/Grass	D	6-10%	0.40	0.60	0.00	infinite	O

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Land Cover	Soil	Gradient	Runoff Coeff.	ET Coeff.	Infiltration Coeff.	Runoff/ Infiltration Ratio	Hydrologic Process Designation
Forest	A	0-2%	0.05	0.80	0.15	0.33	I
Forest	A	2-6%	0.08	0.80	0.12	0.67	U
Forest	A	6-10%	0.11	0.80	0.09	1.22	U
Forest	B	0-2%	0.08	0.80	0.12	0.67	U
Forest	B	2-6%	0.11	0.80	0.09	1.22	U
Forest	B	6-10%	0.14	0.80	0.06	2.33	O
Forest	C	0-2%	0.10	0.80	0.10	1.00	U
Forest	C	2-6%	0.13	0.80	0.07	1.86	O
Forest	C	6-10%	0.16	0.80	0.04	4.00	O
Forest	D	0-2%	0.12	0.80	0.08	1.50	U
Forest	D	2-6%	0.16	0.80	0.04	4.00	O
Forest	D	6-10%	0.20	0.80	0.00	infinite	O
Scrub/Shrub	A	0-2%	0.08	0.70	0.23	0.33	I
Scrub/Shrub	A	2-6%	0.12	0.70	0.18	0.67	U
Scrub/Shrub	A	6-10%	0.18	0.70	0.12	1.50	U
Scrub/Shrub	B	0-2%	0.11	0.70	0.19	0.58	I
Scrub/Shrub	B	2-6%	0.17	0.70	0.14	1.22	U
Scrub/Shrub	B	6-10%	0.22	0.70	0.08	2.75	O
Scrub/Shrub	C	0-2%	0.15	0.70	0.15	1.00	U
Scrub/Shrub	C	2-6%	0.21	0.70	0.10	2.16	O
Scrub/Shrub	C	6-10%	0.26	0.70	0.04	6.50	O
Scrub/Shrub	D	0-2%	0.19	0.70	0.12	1.50	U
Scrub/Shrub	D	2-6%	0.23	0.70	0.07	3.29	O
Scrub/Shrub	D	6-10%	0.30	0.70	0.00	infinite	O

Hydrologic Process Designation: I = Interflow; O = Overland Flow; U = Uncertain

Table A.1.5: Hydrologic Response Unit Designations

Land Cover	Slope	Soil Type				
		A	B	C	D	Other (fill/water)
Agriculture/ Grass/Unknown/ Other	0-2%	I	I	U	U	U
	2-6%	U	U	O	O	U
	6-10%	O	O	O	O	O
	>10%	O	O	O	O	O
Developed	0-2%	O	O	O	O	O
	2-6%	O	O	O	O	O
	6-10%	O	O	O	O	O
	>10%	O	O	O	O	O
Forest	0-2%	I	U	U	U	U
	2-6%	U	U	O	O	U
	6-10%	U	O	O	O	U
	>10%	O	O	O	O	O
Scrub/Shrub	0-2%	I	I	U	U	U
	2-6%	U	U	O	O	U
	6-10%	U	O	O	O	U
	>10%	O	O	O	O	O

Hydrologic Process Designation: I = Interflow; O = Overland Flow; U = Uncertain

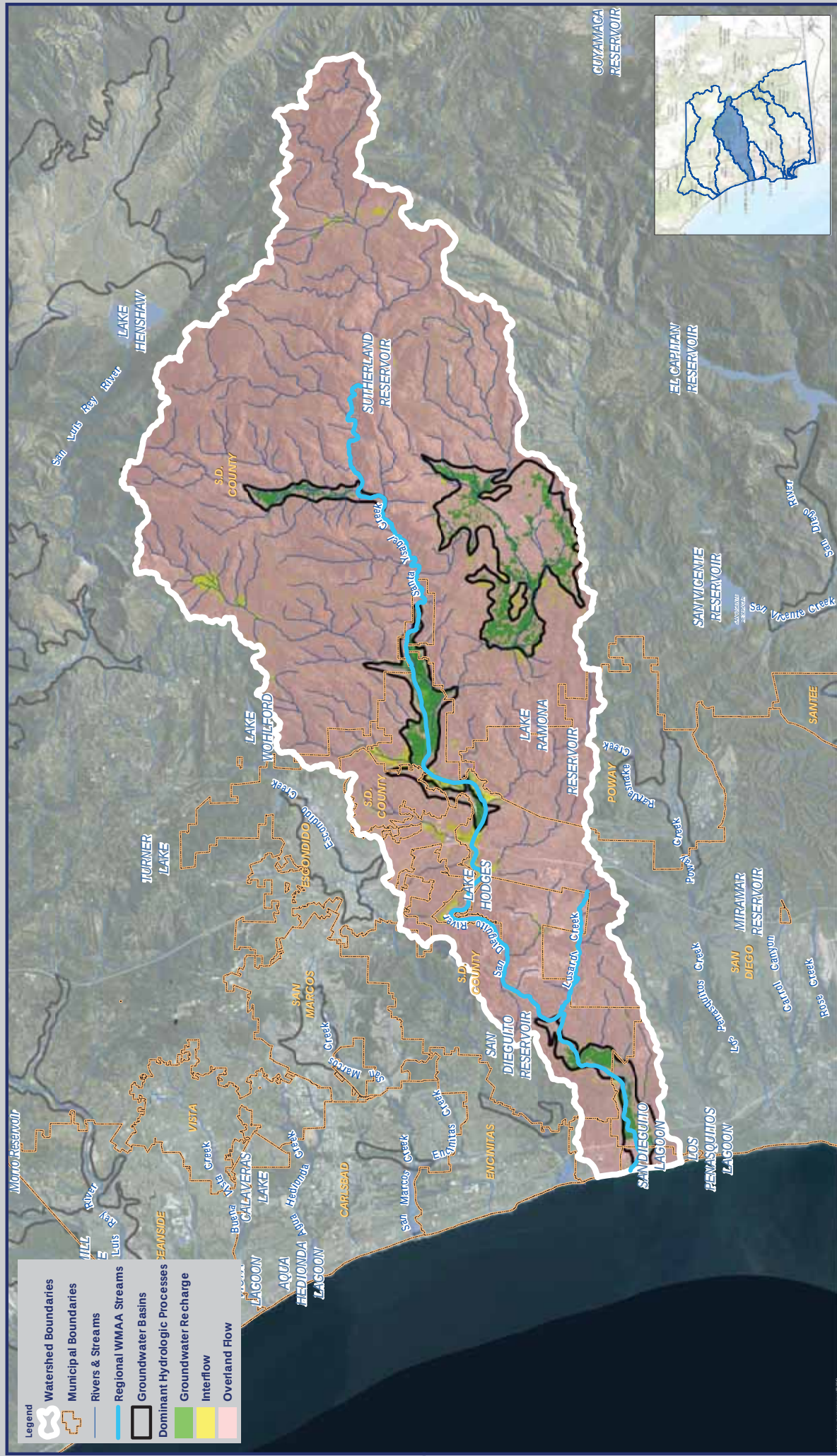
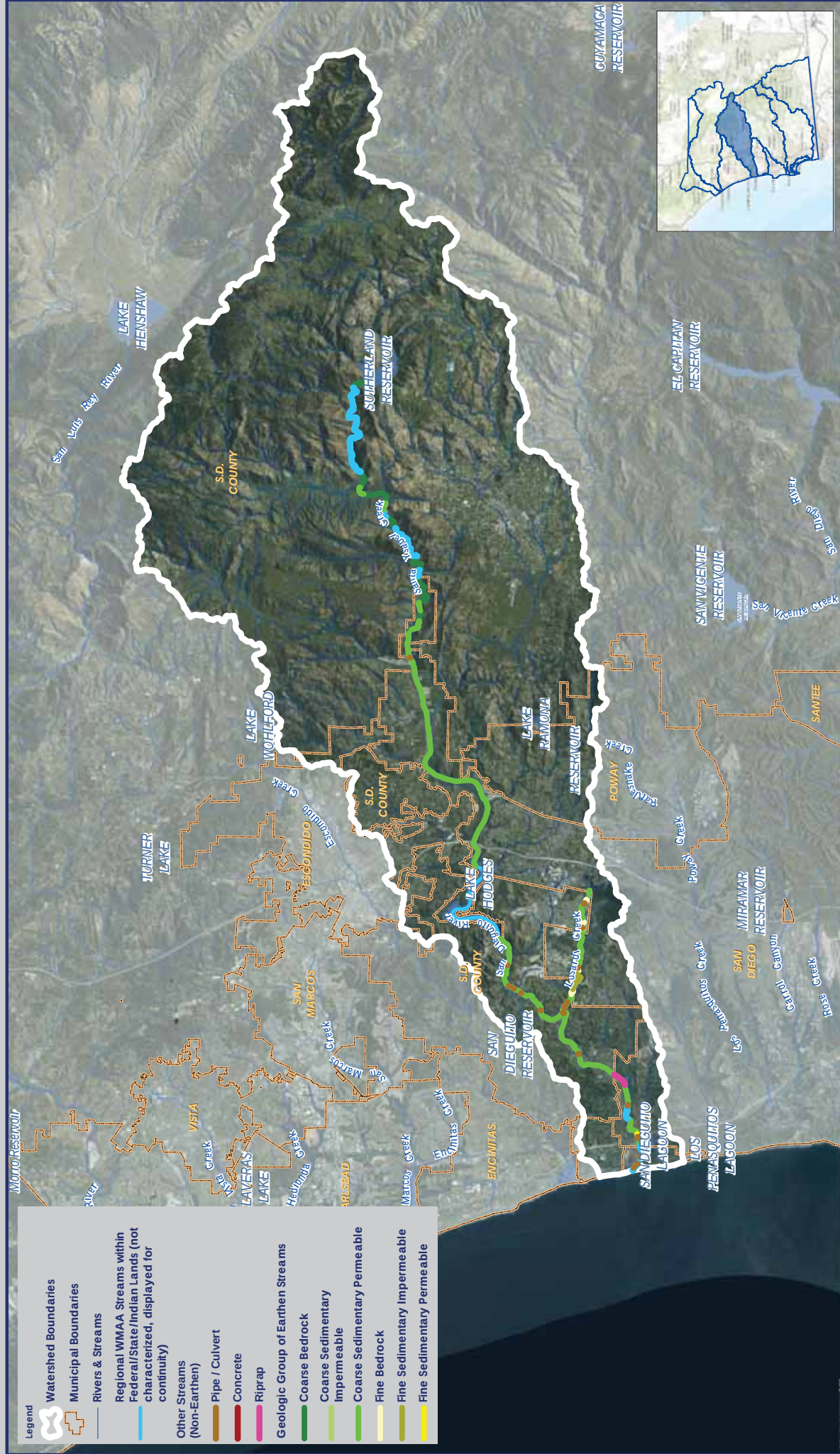


Exhibit Showing Dominant Hydrologic Processes

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STREAM CHARACTERIZATION

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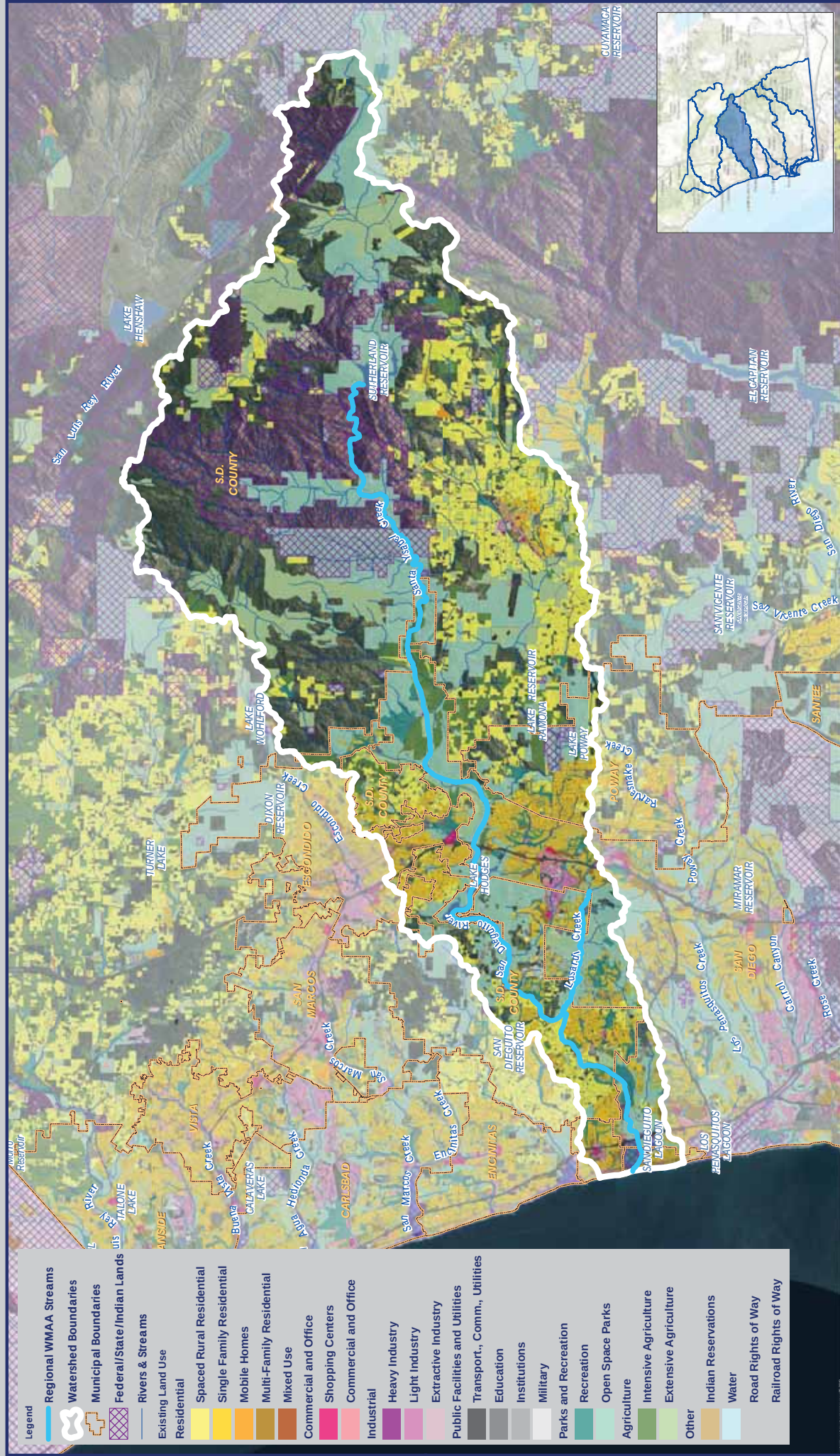
Watershed Management Area Streams by Geologic Group

San Diego Watershed - HU 905.00, 346 mi²

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LAND USES

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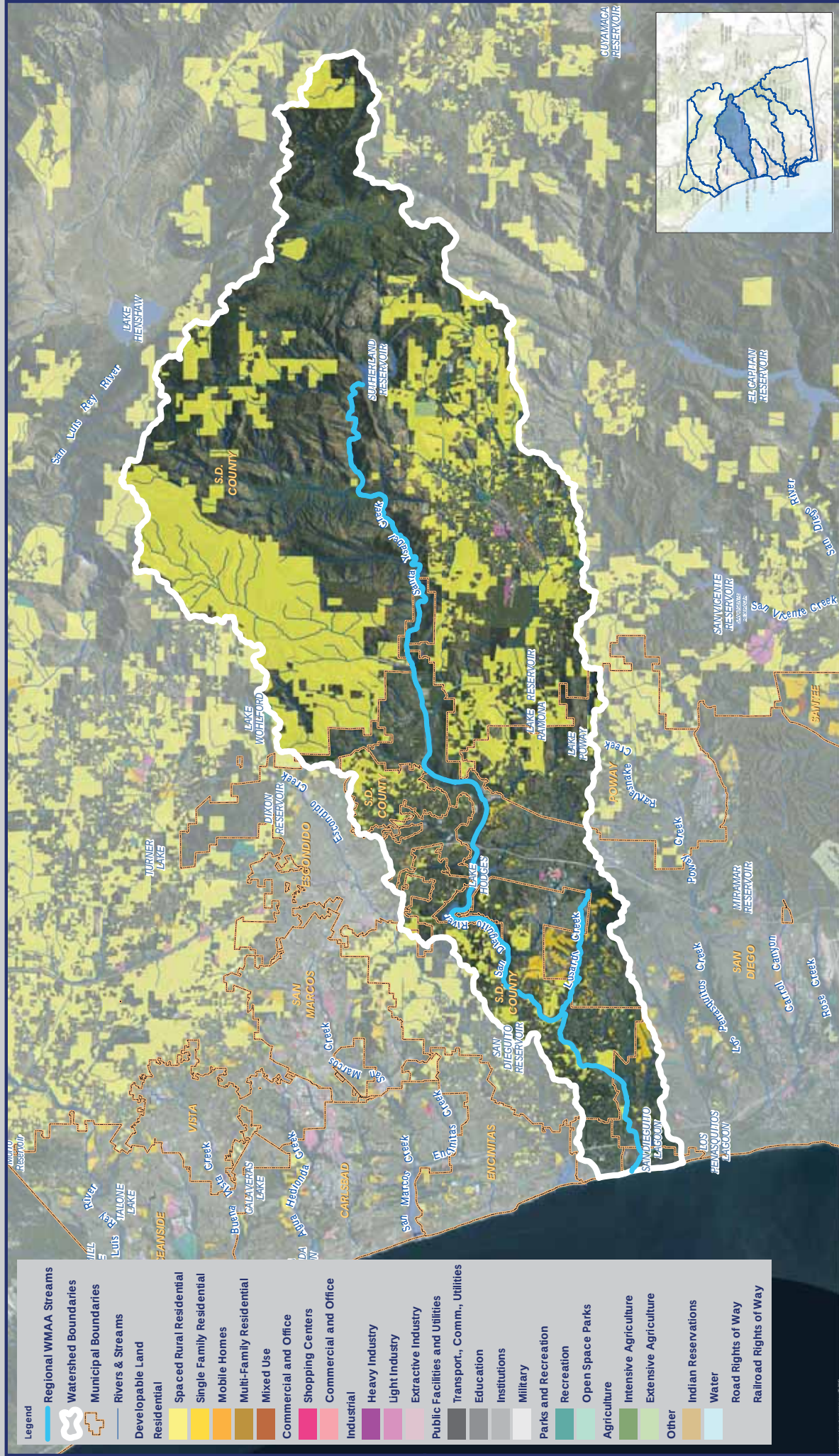


Existing Land Use

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Developable Land

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POTENTIAL CRITICAL COARSE SEDIMENT YIELD AREAS

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A.4.1 Geology Grouping

Geologic grouping was based on the mapped geologic unit as determined by published geologic mapping information. The following describes the methodology utilized to determine bedrock or sedimentary characteristics, anticipated grain size, and suitability for infiltration. A complete list of the various geologic maps used in this evaluation is listed in Chapter 6.

Due to the various mapped scales of the published data and differing mapped unit names, the geologic units were initially compiled into similar categories where possible. For example, the Lindavista Formation is mapped as unit Ql on geologic maps at a scale of 1:24,000 but correlates to the same unit Qvop8 on geologic maps at a scale of 1:100,000. Following the compilation of geologic unit names, the units were differentiated between crystalline bedrock and sedimentary formations based on geologic characterization and material behavior. The Point Loma Formation for example, is a Cretaceous-age sandstone, but it was classified as a “coarse bedrock” unit due to its indurated and resistant nature.

For each site location, the predominant geologic units were then described as “coarse” or “fine” based on typical weathering characteristics of the bedrock units, or primary grain size of the sedimentary units. For example, granodiorite or tonalite crystalline rock typically weathers to a coarse material such as a silty sand and therefore was classified as “coarse,” compared to a gabbro which generally weathers to a sandy clay and was characterized as “fine.” Sedimentary formations can be more variable, such as the Mission Valley Formation. In this case, the Mission Valley Formation was characterized as “coarse” since the unit is predominantly comprised of sandstone even if it does contain localities of siltstone and claystone within the unit.

To further characterize the sedimentary formations, these units were evaluated for suitability of infiltration. Since no field investigations were performed for this evaluation to determine permeability, the differentiation between impermeable and permeable were based on the age of the geologic unit with the assumption that relatively younger sedimentary units of Pleistocene-age or younger (<1.6 mya) would be more susceptible to surface water infiltration. Geology grouping of different map units is presented in Table A.4.1

Table A.4.1 Geologic grouping for different map units

Map Unit	Map Name	Anticipated Grain size of Weathered Material	Bedrock or Sedimentary	Impermeable/ Permeable	Geology Grouping
gr-m	Jennings; CA	Coarse	Bedrock	Impermeable	CB
grMz	Jennings; CA	Coarse	Bedrock	Impermeable	CB
Jcr	El Cajon 30' x 60'	Coarse	Bedrock	Impermeable	CB
Jhc	El Cajon 30' x 60'	Coarse	Bedrock	Impermeable	CB
Jsp	El Cajon 30' x 60'	Coarse	Bedrock	Impermeable	CB
Ka	El Cajon 30' x 60'	Coarse	Bedrock	Impermeable	CB
Kbm	Oceanside 30' x 60'	Coarse	Bedrock	Impermeable	CB
Kbp	Oceanside 30' x 60'	Coarse	Bedrock	Impermeable	CB
Kcc	Oceanside 30' x 60'	Coarse	Bedrock	Impermeable	CB
Kcg	Oceanside 30' x 60'	Coarse	Bedrock	Impermeable	CB
Kcm	El Cajon 30' x 60'	Coarse	Bedrock	Impermeable	CB
Kcp	El Cajon 30' x 60'	Coarse	Bedrock	Impermeable	CB
Kd	San Diego & Oceanside 30' x 60'	Coarse	Bedrock	Impermeable	CB
Kdl	Oceanside 30' x 60'	Coarse	Bedrock	Impermeable	CB
Kg	Oceanside 30' x 60'	Coarse	Bedrock	Impermeable	CB
Kgbf	Oceanside 30' x 60'	Coarse	Bedrock	Impermeable	CB
Kgd	San Diego & Oceanside 30' x 60'	Coarse	Bedrock	Impermeable	CB
Kgdf	Oceanside 30' x 60'	Coarse	Bedrock	Impermeable	CB
Kgh	San Diego 30' x 60'	Coarse	Bedrock	Impermeable	CB
Kgm	El Cajon 30' x 60'	Coarse	Bedrock	Impermeable	CB
Kgm1	El Cajon 30' x 60'	Coarse	Bedrock	Impermeable	CB
Kgm2	El Cajon 30' x 60'	Coarse	Bedrock	Impermeable	CB
Kgm3	El Cajon 30' x 60'	Coarse	Bedrock	Impermeable	CB
Kgm4	El Cajon 30' x 60'	Coarse	Bedrock	Impermeable	CB
Kgp	Oceanside 30' x 60'	Coarse	Bedrock	Impermeable	CB
Kgr	El Cajon 30' x 60'	Coarse	Bedrock	Impermeable	CB
Kgu	San Diego 30' x 60'	Coarse	Bedrock	Impermeable	CB
Khg	Oceanside 30' x 60'	Coarse	Bedrock	Impermeable	CB
Ki	Oceanside 30' x 60'	Coarse	Bedrock	Impermeable	CB
Kis	Oceanside 30' x 60'	Coarse	Bedrock	Impermeable	CB
Kjd	Oceanside 30' x 60'	Coarse	Bedrock	Impermeable	CB
KJem	El Cajon 30' x 60'	Coarse	Bedrock	Impermeable	CB
KJld	El Cajon 30' x 60'	Coarse	Bedrock	Impermeable	CB
Kjv	El Cajon 30' x 60'	Coarse	Bedrock	Impermeable	CB

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Map Unit	Map Name	Anticipated Grain size of Weathered Material	Bedrock or Sedimentary	Impermeable/ Permeable	Geology Grouping
Klb	El Cajon 30' x 60'	Coarse	Bedrock	Impermeable	CB
Klh	Oceanside 30' x 60'	Coarse	Bedrock	Impermeable	CB
Klp	El Cajon 30' x 60'	Coarse	Bedrock	Impermeable	CB
Km	Oceanside 30' x 60'	Coarse	Bedrock	Impermeable	CB
Kmg	Oceanside 30' x 60'	Coarse	Bedrock	Impermeable	CB
KmGP	El Cajon 30' x 60'	Coarse	Bedrock	Impermeable	CB
Kmm	Oceanside 30' x 60'	Coarse	Bedrock	Impermeable	CB
Kpa	Oceanside 30' x 60'	Coarse	Bedrock	Impermeable	CB
Kpv	El Cajon 30' x 60'	Coarse	Bedrock	Impermeable	CB
Kqbd	Oceanside 30' x 60'	Coarse	Bedrock	Impermeable	CB
Kr	Oceanside 30' x 60'	Coarse	Bedrock	Impermeable	CB
Krm	Oceanside 30' x 60'	Coarse	Bedrock	Impermeable	CB
Krr	Oceanside 30' x 60'	Coarse	Bedrock	Impermeable	CB
Kt	San Diego & Oceanside 30' x 60'	Coarse	Bedrock	Impermeable	CB
Ktr	Oceanside 30' x 60'	Coarse	Bedrock	Impermeable	CB
Kvc	Oceanside 30' x 60'	Coarse	Bedrock	Impermeable	CB
Kwm	Oceanside 30' x 60'	Coarse	Bedrock	Impermeable	CB
Kwp	Oceanside 30' x 60'	Coarse	Bedrock	Impermeable	CB
Kwsr	Oceanside 30' x 60'	Coarse	Bedrock	Impermeable	CB
m	Jennings; CA	Coarse	Bedrock	Impermeable	CB
Mzd	Oceanside 30' x 60'	Coarse	Bedrock	Impermeable	CB
Mzg	Oceanside 30' x 60'	Coarse	Bedrock	Impermeable	CB
Mzq	Oceanside 30' x 60'	Coarse	Bedrock	Impermeable	CB
Mzs	Oceanside 30' x 60'	Coarse	Bedrock	Impermeable	CB
sch	Jennings; CA	Coarse	Bedrock	Impermeable	CB
Kp	San Diego & Oceanside 30' x 60'	Coarse	Bedrock	Impermeable	CB
Ql	El Cajon 30' x 60'	Coarse	Sedimentary	Impermeable	CSI
QTf	El Cajon 30' x 60'	Coarse	Sedimentary	Impermeable	CSI
Ec	Jennings; CA	Coarse	Sedimentary	Impermeable	CSI
K	Jennings; CA	Coarse	Sedimentary	Impermeable	CSI
Kccg	San Diego 30' x 60'	Coarse	Sedimentary	Impermeable	CSI
Kcs	San Diego 30' x 60'	Coarse	Sedimentary	Impermeable	CSI
Kl	San Diego, Oceanside & El Cajon 30' x 60'	Coarse	Sedimentary	Impermeable	CSI
Ku	Jennings; CA	Coarse	Sedimentary	Impermeable	CSI

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Map Unit	Map Name	Anticipated Grain size of Weathered Material	Bedrock or Sedimentary	Impermeable/ Permeable	Geology Grouping
Qvof	Oceanside 30' x 60'	Coarse	Sedimentary	Impermeable	CSI
Qvop8a	San Diego 30' x 60'	Coarse	Sedimentary	Impermeable	CSI
Qvop9a	San Diego 30' x 60'	Coarse	Sedimentary	Impermeable	CSI
Tmsc	San Diego 30' x 60'	Coarse	Sedimentary	Impermeable	CSI
Tmss	San Diego 30' x 60'	Coarse	Sedimentary	Impermeable	CSI
Tp	San Diego & El Cajon 30' x 60'	Coarse	Sedimentary	Impermeable	CSI
Tpm	San Diego 30' x 60'	Coarse	Sedimentary	Impermeable	CSI
Tsc	San Diego 30' x 60'	Coarse	Sedimentary	Impermeable	CSI
Tscu	San Diego 30' x 60'	Coarse	Sedimentary	Impermeable	CSI
Tsd	San Diego & El Cajon 30' x 60'	Coarse	Sedimentary	Impermeable	CSI
Tsdcg	San Diego 30' x 60'	Coarse	Sedimentary	Impermeable	CSI
Tsdss	San Diego 30' x 60'	Coarse	Sedimentary	Impermeable	CSI
Tsm	Oceanside 30' x 60'	Coarse	Sedimentary	Impermeable	CSI
Tso	Oceanside 30' x 60'	Coarse	Sedimentary	Impermeable	CSI
Tst	San Diego, Oceanside & El Cajon 30' x 60'	Coarse	Sedimentary	Impermeable	CSI
Tt	San Diego & Oceanside 30' x 60'	Coarse	Sedimentary	Impermeable	CSI
Tta	Oceanside 30' x 60'	Coarse	Sedimentary	Impermeable	CSI
Tmv	San Diego, Oceanside & El Cajon 30' x 60'	Coarse	Sedimentary	Impermeable	CSI
Tsi	Oceanside 30' x 60'	Coarse	Sedimentary	Impermeable	CSI
Qvoa	San Diego & Oceanside 30' x 60'	Coarse	Sedimentary	Impermeable	CSI
Qvoa11	Oceanside 30' x 60'	Coarse	Sedimentary	Impermeable	CSI
Qvoa12	Oceanside 30' x 60'	Coarse	Sedimentary	Impermeable	CSI
Qvoa13	Oceanside 30' x 60'	Coarse	Sedimentary	Impermeable	CSI
Qvoc	Oceanside 30' x 60'	Coarse	Sedimentary	Impermeable	CSI
Qvop	San Diego & Oceanside 30' x 60'	Coarse	Sedimentary	Impermeable	CSI
Qvop1	San Diego & Oceanside 30' x 60'	Coarse	Sedimentary	Impermeable	CSI
Qvop10	San Diego & Oceanside 30' x 60'	Coarse	Sedimentary	Impermeable	CSI
Qvop10a	San Diego 30' x 60'	Coarse	Sedimentary	Impermeable	CSI
Qvop11	San Diego & Oceanside 30' x 60'	Coarse	Sedimentary	Impermeable	CSI

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Qvop11a	San Diego 30' x 60'	Coarse	Sedimentary	Impermeable	CSI
Qvop12	San Diego & Oceanside 30' x 60'	Coarse	Sedimentary	Impermeable	CSI
Qvop13	San Diego & Oceanside 30' x 60'	Coarse	Sedimentary	Impermeable	CSI
Qvop2	San Diego & Oceanside 30' x 60'	Coarse	Sedimentary	Impermeable	CSI
Qvop3	San Diego & Oceanside 30' x 60'	Coarse	Sedimentary	Impermeable	CSI
Qvop4	San Diego & Oceanside 30' x 60'	Coarse	Sedimentary	Impermeable	CSI
Qvop5	San Diego & Oceanside 30' x 60'	Coarse	Sedimentary	Impermeable	CSI
Qvop6	San Diego 30' x 60'	Coarse	Sedimentary	Impermeable	CSI
Qvop7	San Diego & Oceanside 30' x 60'	Coarse	Sedimentary	Impermeable	CSI
Qvop8	San Diego & Oceanside 30' x 60'	Coarse	Sedimentary	Impermeable	CSI
Qvop9	San Diego 30' x 60'	Coarse	Sedimentary	Impermeable	CSI
Tsa	Oceanside 30' x 60'	Coarse	Sedimentary	Impermeable	CSI
Qof	Oceanside 30' x 60'	Coarse	Sedimentary	Permeable	CSP
Qof1	Oceanside 30' x 60'	Coarse	Sedimentary	Permeable	CSP
Qof2	Oceanside 30' x 60'	Coarse	Sedimentary	Permeable	CSP
Q	Jennings; CA	Coarse	Sedimentary	Permeable	CSP
Qa	Oceanside 30' x 60'	Coarse	Sedimentary	Permeable	CSP
Qd	Oceanside 30' x 60'	Coarse	Sedimentary	Permeable	CSP
Qf	Oceanside 30' x 60'	Coarse	Sedimentary	Permeable	CSP
Qmb	San Diego & Oceanside 30' x 60'	Coarse	Sedimentary	Permeable	CSP
Qop	San Diego & Oceanside 30' x 60'	Coarse	Sedimentary	Permeable	CSP
Qw	San Diego & Oceanside 30' x 60'	Coarse	Sedimentary	Permeable	CSP
Qyf	Oceanside 30' x 60'	Coarse	Sedimentary	Permeable	CSP
Qt	El Cajon 30' x 60'	Coarse	Sedimentary	Permeable	CSP
Qoa1-2	Oceanside 30' x 60'	Coarse	Sedimentary	Permeable	CSP
Qoa2-6	Oceanside 30' x 60'	Coarse	Sedimentary	Permeable	CSP
Qoa5	Oceanside 30' x 60'	Coarse	Sedimentary	Permeable	CSP
Qoa6	Oceanside 30' x 60'	Coarse	Sedimentary	Permeable	CSP
Qoa7	Oceanside 30' x 60'	Coarse	Sedimentary	Permeable	CSP

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Map Unit	Map Name	Anticipated Grain size of Weathered Material	Bedrock or Sedimentary	Impermeable/ Permeable	Geology Grouping
Qoc	Oceanside 30' x 60'	Coarse	Sedimentary	Permeable	CSP
Qop1	Oceanside 30' x 60'	Coarse	Sedimentary	Permeable	CSP
Qc	El Cajon 30' x 60'	Coarse	Sedimentary	Permeable	CSP
Qu	El Cajon 30' x 60'	Coarse	Sedimentary	Permeable	CSP
Qoa	San Diego, Oceanside & El Cajon 30' x 60'	Coarse	Sedimentary	Permeable	CSP
Qop2-4	San Diego 30' x 60'	Coarse	Sedimentary	Permeable	CSP
Qop3	Oceanside 30' x 60'	Coarse	Sedimentary	Permeable	CSP
Qop4	Oceanside 30' x 60'	Coarse	Sedimentary	Permeable	CSP
Qop6	San Diego & Oceanside 30' x 60'	Coarse	Sedimentary	Permeable	CSP
Qop7	San Diego & Oceanside 30' x 60'	Coarse	Sedimentary	Permeable	CSP
Qya	San Diego, Oceanside & El Cajon 30' x 60'	Coarse	Sedimentary	Permeable	CSP
Qyc	San Diego & Oceanside 30' x 60'	Coarse	Sedimentary	Permeable	CSP
Mzu	San Diego & Oceanside 30' x 60'	Fine	Bedrock	Impermeable	FB
gb	Jennings; CA	Fine	Bedrock	Impermeable	FB
JTRm	El Cajon 30' x 60'	Fine	Bedrock	Impermeable	FB
Kat	Oceanside 30' x 60'	Fine	Bedrock	Impermeable	FB
Kc	El Cajon 30' x 60'	Fine	Bedrock	Impermeable	FB
Kgb	Oceanside 30' x 60'	Fine	Bedrock	Impermeable	FB
KJvs	El Cajon 30' x 60'	Fine	Bedrock	Impermeable	FB
Kmv	El Cajon 30' x 60'	Fine	Bedrock	Impermeable	FB
Ksp	El Cajon 30' x 60'	Fine	Bedrock	Impermeable	FB
Kvsp	Oceanside 30' x 60'	Fine	Bedrock	Impermeable	FB
Kwmt	Oceanside 30' x 60'	Fine	Bedrock	Impermeable	FB
Qv	Jennings; CA	Fine	Bedrock	Impermeable	FB
Tba	San Diego 30' x 60'	Fine	Bedrock	Impermeable	FB
Tda	Oceanside 30' x 60'	Fine	Bedrock	Impermeable	FB
Tv	Oceanside 30' x 60'	Fine	Bedrock	Impermeable	FB
Tvsr	Oceanside 30' x 60'	Fine	Bedrock	Impermeable	FB
Kgdfg	Oceanside 30' x 60'	Fine	Bedrock	Impermeable	FB
Ta	San Diego 30' x 60'	Fine	Sedimentary	Impermeable	FSI
Tcs	Oceanside 30' x 60'	Fine	Sedimentary	Impermeable	FSI
Td	San Diego & Oceanside	Fine	Sedimentary	Impermeable	FSI

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Map Unit	Map Name	Anticipated Grain size of Weathered Material	Bedrock or Sedimentary	Impermeable/ Permeable	Geology Grouping
	30' x 60'				
Td+Tf	San Diego 30' x 60'	Fine	Sedimentary	Impermeable	FSI
Qls	San Diego, Oceanside & El Cajon 30' x 60'	Fine	Sedimentary	Impermeable	FSI
Tm	Oceanside 30' x 60'	Fine	Sedimentary	Impermeable	FSI
Tf	San Diego, Oceanside & El Cajon 30' x 60'	Fine	Sedimentary	Impermeable	FSI
Tfr	El Cajon 30' x 60'	Fine	Sedimentary	Impermeable	FSI
To	San Diego & El Cajon 30' x 60'	Fine	Sedimentary	Impermeable	FSI
Qpe	San Diego & Oceanside 30' x 60'	Fine	Sedimentary	Permeable	FSP
Mexico	San Diego 30' x 60'	NA	NA	Permeable	Other
Kuo	San Diego 30' x 60'	NA (Offshore)	NA	Permeable	Other
Teo	San Diego & Oceanside 30' x 60'	NA (Offshore)	Sedimentary	Permeable	Other
Tmo	Oceanside 30' x 60'	NA (Offshore)	Sedimentary	Permeable	Other
Qmo	San Diego 30' x 60'	NA (Offshore)	Sedimentary	Permeable	Other
QTso	San Diego 30' x 60'	NA (Offshore)	Sedimentary	Permeable	Other
af	San Diego & Oceanside 30' x 60'	Variable, dependent on source material	Sedimentary		Other

A.4.2 Quantitative Analysis

Soil loss estimates for each Geomorphic Landscape Unit were estimated using the Revised Universal Soil Loss Equation (RUSLE; Renard et al. 1997) listed below:

$$A = R \times K \times LS \times C \times P$$

Where

A = estimated average soil loss in tons/acre/year

R = rainfall-runoff erosivity factor

K = soil erodibility factor

LS = slope length and steepness factor

C = cover-management factor

P = support practice factor; assumed 1 for this analysis

Regional datasets used to estimate the inputs required to estimate the soil loss from each GLU are listed in table below:

Dataset	Source	Download year	Description
RUSLE – R Factor	SWRCB	2014	Regional R factor map was downloaded from ftp://swrcb2a.waterboards.ca.gov/pub/swrcb/dwq/cgp/Risk/RUSLE/RUSLE_R_Factor/
RUSLE – K Factor	SWRCB	2014	Regional K factor map was downloaded from ftp://swrcb2a.waterboards.ca.gov/pub/swrcb/dwq/cgp/Risk/RUSLE/RUSLE_K_Factor/
RUSLE – LS Factor	SWRCB	2014	Regional LS factor map was downloaded from ftp://swrcb2a.waterboards.ca.gov/pub/swrcb/dwq/cgp/Risk/RUSLE/RUSLE_LS_Factor/
RUSLE – C Factor	USEPA	2014	Regional C factor map was downloaded from http://www.epa.gov/esd/land-sci/emap_west_browser/pages/wemap_mm_sl_rusle_c_qt.htm#mapnav

GIS analysis was used to calculate the area weighted estimate of R, K, LS and C factors using the regional datasets listed in the table above. For the developed land cover the C factor was then adjusted to 0 from the regional estimate to account for management actions implemented on developed sites (e.g. impervious surfaces). Soil loss estimates ranged from 0 to 15.2 tons/acre/year.

For evaluating the degree of relative risk to a stream solely arising from changes in sediment and/or water delivery SCCWRP Technical Report 605, 2010 states:

“The challenge in implementing this step is that presently we have insufficient basis to defensibly identify either low-risk or high-risk conditions using these metrics. For example, channels that are close to a threshold for geomorphic change may display significant morphological changes under nothing more than natural year-to-year variability in flow or sediment load.

- ☐ *Acknowledging this caveat, we nonetheless anticipate that changes of less than 10% in either driver are unlikely to instigate, on their own, significant channel changes. This value is a conservative estimate of the year-to-year variability in either discharge or sediment flux that can be accommodated by a channel system in a state of dynamic equilibrium. It does not “guarantee,” however, that channel change may not occur—either in response to yet modest alterations in water or sediment delivery, or because of other urbanization impacts (e.g., point discharge of runoff or the trapping of the upstream sediment flux; see Booth 1990) that are not represented with this analysis.*
- ☐ *In contrast, recognizing a condition of undisputed “high risk” must await broader collection of regionally relevant data. We note that >60% reductions in predicted sediment production have resulted in both minimal (McGonigle) and dramatic (Agua Hedionda) channel changes, indicating that “more data” may never provide absolute guidance. At present, we suggest using predicted watershed changes of 50% or more in either runoff (as indexed by change in impervious area) or sediment production as provisional criteria for requiring a more detailed evaluation of both the drivers and the resisting factors for channel change, regardless of other screening-level assessments. Clearly, however, only more experience with the application of such “thresholds,” and the actual channel conditions that accompany them, will provide a defensible basis for setting numeric standards.”*

The following criterion was developed using the suggestions listed above and then used to assign relative sediment production rating to each GLU:

- ☐ Low: Soil Loss < 5.6 tons/acre/year [GLUs that have a soil loss of 0 to 5.6 tons/acre/year produces around 10% of the total coarse sediment soil loss from the study area]
- ☐ Medium: 5.6 tons/acre/year < Soil Loss < 8.4 tons/acre/year
- ☐ High: > 8.4 tons/acre/year [GLUs that have a soil loss greater than 8.4 tons/acre/year produces around 42% of the total coarse sediment soil loss from the study area]

Results from the quantitative analysis are summarized in Table A.4.2.

Table A.4.2 Relative Sediment Production for different Geomorphic Landscape Units

Geomorphic Landscape Unit (GLU)	Area (acres)	K	LS	C	R	A	Relative Sediment Production	Critical Coarse Sediment
CB-Agricultural/Grass-1	52883	0.20	4.67	0.14	50	6.5	Medium	No
CB-Agricultural/Grass-2	40633	0.21	5.19	0.14	56	8.3	Medium	No
CB-Agricultural/Grass-3	32617	0.22	6.04	0.14	57	10.6	High	Yes
CB-Agricultural/Grass-4	11066	0.23	7.38	0.14	57	13.5	High	Yes
CB-Developed-1	39746	0.22	3.77	0	49	0	Low	No
CB-Developed-2	32614	0.22	4.28	0	50	0	Low	No
CB-Developed-3	15841	0.22	4.86	0	49	0	Low	No
CB-Developed-4	1805	0.22	5.63	0	48	0	Low	No
CB-Forest-1	32231	0.20	6.38	0.14	39	6.8	Medium	No
CB-Forest-2	38507	0.20	7.20	0.13	45	8.8	High	Yes
CB-Forest-3	55303	0.20	8.14	0.13	48	10.6	High	Yes
CB-Forest-4	38217	0.20	9.95	0.14	50	13.6	High	Yes
CB-Other-1	1036	0.20	5.52	0.13	45	6.5	Medium	No
CB-Other-2	317	0.20	6.46	0.13	45	7.9	Medium	No
CB-Other-3	296	0.20	6.96	0.14	43	8.3	Medium	No
CB-Other-4	111	0.21	6.84	0.14	41	8.2	Medium	No
CB-Scrub/Shrub-1	88135	0.20	5.66	0.14	33	5.3	Low	No
CB-Scrub/Shrub-2	143694	0.20	6.51	0.14	37	6.8	Medium	No
CB-Scrub/Shrub-3	246703	0.21	7.33	0.14	41	8.4	Medium	No
CB-Scrub/Shrub-4	191150	0.21	8.28	0.14	42	9.8	High	No
CB-Unknown-1	1727	0.21	5.32	0.13	44	6.3	Medium	No
CB-Unknown-2	1935	0.21	5.95	0.13	44	7.1	Medium	No

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Geomorphic Landscape Unit (GLU)	Area (acres)	K	LS	C	R	A	Relative Sediment Production	Critical Coarse Sediment
CB-Unknown-3	1539	0.22	6.21	0.13	44	7.7	Medium	No
CB-Unknown-4	278	0.22	6.61	0.13	44	8.4	High	Yes
CSI-Agricultural/Grass-1	14609	0.34	2.72	0.14	39	4.8	Low	No
CSI-Agricultural/Grass-2	9059	0.37	3.61	0.14	47	8.7	High	Yes
CSI-Agricultural/Grass-3	10096	0.38	3.99	0.14	47	9.8	High	Yes
CSI-Agricultural/Grass-4	2498	0.37	4.33	0.14	47	10.5	High	Yes
CSI-Developed-1	82371	0.28	2.51	0	39	0	Low	No
CSI-Developed-2	22570	0.30	2.66	0	41	0	Low	No
CSI-Developed-3	13675	0.30	2.89	0	40	0	Low	No
CSI-Developed-4	3064	0.27	3.20	0	39	0	Low	No
CSI-Forest-1	449	0.27	4.26	0.13	43	6.6	Medium	No
CSI-Forest-2	611	0.25	5.11	0.13	44	7.5	Medium	No
CSI-Forest-3	716	0.29	4.43	0.13	44	7.4	Medium	No
CSI-Forest-4	348	0.30	4.49	0.13	43	7.6	Medium	No
CSI-Other-1	319	0.31	2.50	0.13	32	3.2	Low	No
CSI-Other-2	83	0.27	3.01	0.13	39	4.3	Low	No
CSI-Other-3	45	0.28	3.03	0.13	39	4.5	Low	No
CSI-Other-4	13	0.24	4.01	0.14	39	5.2	Low	No
CSI-Scrub/Shrub-1	9051	0.26	3.53	0.13	39	4.7	Low	No
CSI-Scrub/Shrub-2	10802	0.27	4.36	0.13	41	6.3	Medium	No
CSI-Scrub/Shrub-3	28220	0.26	4.82	0.13	41	6.7	Medium	No
CSI-Scrub/Shrub-4	20510	0.26	5.52	0.13	41	7.8	Medium	No
CSI-Unknown-1	5292	0.28	2.38	0.13	36	3.1	Low	No

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Geomorphic Landscape Unit (GLU)	Area (acres)	K	LS	C	R	A	Relative Sediment Production	Critical Coarse Sediment
CSI-Unknown-2	2074	0.29	2.98	0.13	40	4.5	Low	No
CSI-Unknown-3	2171	0.27	3.04	0.13	39	4.2	Low	No
CSI-Unknown-4	676	0.26	3.04	0.13	38	3.8	Low	No
CSP-Agricultural/Grass-1	59327	0.22	3.01	0.14	44	4.0	Low	No
CSP-Agricultural/Grass-2	8426	0.23	3.81	0.14	42	5.2	Low	No
CSP-Agricultural/Grass-3	2377	0.24	4.05	0.14	41	5.6	Low	No
CSP-Agricultural/Grass-4	291	0.22	6.28	0.14	52	10.1	High	Yes
CSP-Developed-1	85283	0.27	2.10	0	42	0	Low	No
CSP-Developed-2	7513	0.26	2.77	0	42	0	Low	No
CSP-Developed-3	2317	0.27	2.70	0	40	0	Low	No
CSP-Developed-4	272	0.27	2.76	0	38	0	Low	No
CSP-Forest-1	14738	0.22	4.52	0.14	44	6.0	Medium	No
CSP-Forest-2	3737	0.22	5.99	0.14	45	8.2	Medium	No
CSP-Forest-3	1858	0.21	6.42	0.14	45	8.5	High	Yes
CSP-Forest-4	484	0.21	7.62	0.14	48	10.2	High	Yes
CSP-Other-1	7404	0.23	2.61	0.14	39	3.2	Low	No
CSP-Other-2	343	0.24	3.68	0.13	40	4.8	Low	No
CSP-Other-3	126	0.24	3.76	0.13	40	4.9	Low	No
CSP-Other-4	17	0.24	4.19	0.13	39	5.3	Low	No
CSP-Scrub/Shrub-1	22583	0.23	3.75	0.14	41	4.8	Low	No
CSP-Scrub/Shrub-2	8938	0.24	5.63	0.14	40	7.1	Medium	No
CSP-Scrub/Shrub-3	7186	0.23	6.15	0.13	39	7.5	Medium	No
CSP-Scrub/Shrub-4	2609	0.22	7.16	0.14	43	9.3	High	Yes

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Geomorphic Landscape Unit (GLU)	Area (acres)	K	LS	C	R	A	Relative Sediment Production	Critical Coarse Sediment
CSP-Unknown-1	6186	0.25	2.63	0.13	40	3.4	Low	No
CSP-Unknown-2	744	0.27	3.49	0.13	39	4.8	Low	No
CSP-Unknown-3	350	0.28	3.32	0.13	38	4.5	Low	No
CSP-Unknown-4	78	0.28	3.26	0.13	40	4.5	Low	No
FB-Agricultural/Grass-1	6103	0.25	5.49	0.14	49	9.2	High	No
FB-Agricultural/Grass-2	7205	0.25	5.87	0.14	51	10.1	High	No
FB-Agricultural/Grass-3	6730	0.24	6.43	0.14	53	11.3	High	No
FB-Agricultural/Grass-4	2586	0.22	8.62	0.14	57	15.2	High	No
FB-Developed-1	10116	0.28	3.94	0	46	0	Low	No
FB-Developed-2	9075	0.28	4.41	0	45	0	Low	No
FB-Developed-3	5499	0.27	4.72	0	44	0	Low	No
FB-Developed-4	785	0.27	5.08	0	43	0	Low	No
FB-Forest-1	3780	0.21	7.24	0.13	39	8.0	Medium	No
FB-Forest-2	7059	0.21	7.53	0.13	43	8.8	High	No
FB-Forest-3	13753	0.22	8.02	0.13	43	9.7	High	No
FB-Forest-4	8899	0.26	9.63	0.13	35	11.5	High	No
FB-Other-1	172	0.26	5.72	0.13	44	8.6	High	No
FB-Other-2	75	0.26	5.97	0.13	38	7.7	Medium	No
FB-Other-3	76	0.28	6.27	0.13	34	7.6	Medium	No
FB-Other-4	36	0.31	6.70	0.13	33	8.6	High	No
FB-Scrub/Shrub-1	10297	0.24	6.94	0.14	36	8.3	Medium	No
FB-Scrub/Shrub-2	25150	0.25	7.24	0.14	38	9.0	High	No
FB-Scrub/Shrub-3	70895	0.25	7.89	0.13	38	10.0	High	No

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Geomorphic Landscape Unit (GLU)	Area (acres)	K	LS	C	R	A	Relative Sediment Production	Critical Coarse Sediment
FB-Scrub/Shrub-4	70679	0.26	9.05	0.14	39	12.1	High	No
FB-Unknown-1	654	0.30	5.33	0.13	37	7.6	Medium	No
FB-Unknown-2	829	0.29	5.26	0.13	40	7.9	Medium	No
FB-Unknown-3	1062	0.29	5.54	0.13	39	8.2	Medium	No
FB-Unknown-4	299	0.28	6.02	0.13	38	8.4	High	No
FSI-Agricultural/Grass-1	8462	0.32	3.91	0.13	24	3.9	Low	No
FSI-Agricultural/Grass-2	4979	0.33	4.29	0.13	31	5.7	Medium	No
FSI-Agricultural/Grass-3	4808	0.34	4.26	0.13	34	6.3	Medium	No
FSI-Agricultural/Grass-4	1055	0.35	4.11	0.13	36	6.7	Medium	No
FSI-Developed-1	9953	0.29	3.09	0	34	0	Low	No
FSI-Developed-2	4972	0.31	3.22	0	37	0	Low	No
FSI-Developed-3	3350	0.29	3.30	0	36	0	Low	No
FSI-Developed-4	763	0.28	3.31	0	37	0	Low	No
FSI-Forest-1	186	0.33	4.62	0.13	37	7.2	Medium	No
FSI-Forest-2	217	0.35	4.47	0.13	39	7.9	Medium	No
FSI-Forest-3	262	0.37	4.71	0.13	40	9.2	High	No
FSI-Forest-4	111	0.36	4.73	0.13	40	9.2	High	No
FSI-Other-1	266	0.31	3.11	0.13	24	2.9	Low	No
FSI-Other-2	81	0.30	3.29	0.13	25	3.1	Low	No
FSI-Other-3	56	0.31	3.04	0.13	27	3.2	Low	No
FSI-Other-4	15	0.29	3.57	0.13	33	4.4	Low	No
FSI-Scrub/Shrub-1	2241	0.27	4.46	0.13	29	4.5	Low	No
FSI-Scrub/Shrub-2	3911	0.28	4.96	0.13	31	5.7	Medium	No

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Geomorphic Landscape Unit (GLU)	Area (acres)	K	LS	C	R	A	Relative Sediment Production	Critical Coarse Sediment
FSI-Scrub/Shrub-3	7590	0.29	5.05	0.13	34	6.3	Medium	No
FSI-Scrub/Shrub-4	3502	0.30	5.14	0.13	37	7.5	Medium	No
FSI-Unknown-1	1117	0.29	2.83	0.13	27	3.0	Low	No
FSI-Unknown-2	780	0.30	3.44	0.13	32	4.3	Low	No
FSI-Unknown-3	855	0.29	3.41	0.13	31	4.0	Low	No
FSI-Unknown-4	285	0.28	3.21	0.13	32	3.7	Low	No
FSP-Agricultural/Grass-1	13	0.22	2.22	0.13	40	2.5	Low	No
FSP-Agricultural/Grass-2	3	0.22	2.59	0.13	40	3.0	Low	No
FSP-Agricultural/Grass-3	2	0.22	2.69	0.13	40	3.2	Low	No
FSP-Agricultural/Grass-4	0	0.20	2.94	0.12	40	2.9	Low	No
FSP-Developed-1	180	0.26	2.85	0	40	0	Low	No
FSP-Developed-2	13	0.25	2.69	0	40	0	Low	No
FSP-Developed-3	8	0.21	2.25	0	40	0	Low	No
FSP-Developed-4	0	0.21	2.29	0	40	0	Low	No
FSP-Forest-1	8	0.22	2.29	0.14	40	2.9	Low	No
FSP-Forest-2	5	0.20	2.22	0.14	40	2.5	Low	No
FSP-Forest-3	0	0.20	2.22	0.14	40	2.5	Low	No
FSP-Other-1	1307	0.20	2.38	0.14	40	2.7	Low	No
FSP-Other-2	34	0.21	2.36	0.14	40	2.7	Low	No
FSP-Other-3	8	0.22	2.56	0.13	40	3.0	Low	No
FSP-Other-4	0	0.43	4.35	0.12	40	9.3	High	No
FSP-Scrub/Shrub-1	147	0.23	2.68	0.14	40	3.3	Low	No
FSP-Scrub/Shrub-2	18	0.23	2.55	0.14	40	3.3	Low	No

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Geomorphic Landscape Unit (GLU)	Area (acres)	K	LS	C	R	A	Relative Sediment Production	Critical Coarse Sediment
FSP-Scrub/Shrub-3	4	0.20	2.23	0.14	40	2.6	Low	No
FSP-Scrub/Shrub-4	0	0.20	1.70	0.12	40	1.7	Low	No
FSP-Unknown-1	40	0.20	1.87	0.13	40	1.9	Low	No
FSP-Unknown-2	5	0.20	1.99	0.12	40	2.0	Low	No
FSP-Unknown-3	1	0.20	2.39	0.12	40	2.4	Low	No
O-Agricultural/Grass-1	2433	0.20	2.93	0.14	34	2.8	Low	No
O-Agricultural/Grass-2	112	0.21	3.44	0.14	32	3.2	Low	No
O-Agricultural/Grass-3	30	0.23	3.89	0.13	32	3.8	Low	No
O-Agricultural/Grass-4	1	0.26	6.47	0.13	37	7.9	Medium	No
O-Developed-1	8327	0.27	1.37	0	39	0	Low	No
O-Developed-2	474	0.25	2.12	0	40	0	Low	No
O-Developed-3	157	0.26	3.07	0	41	0	Low	No
O-Developed-4	26	0.24	3.89	0	41	0	Low	No
O-Forest-1	235	0.22	6.15	0.13	43	7.6	Medium	No
O-Forest-2	67	0.21	5.07	0.13	45	6.6	Medium	No
O-Forest-3	45	0.21	5.43	0.13	47	7.3	Medium	No
O-Forest-4	20	0.20	5.95	0.13	59	9.0	High	No
O-Other-1	9362	0.25	3.86	0.13	36	4.3	Low	No
O-Other-2	344	0.24	3.32	0.13	35	3.5	Low	No
O-Other-3	120	0.23	4.86	0.13	35	5.0	Low	No
O-Other-4	37	0.22	5.64	0.13	39	6.6	Medium	No
O-Scrub/Shrub-1	688	0.22	4.83	0.13	40	5.7	Medium	No
O-Scrub/Shrub-2	224	0.22	5.80	0.13	36	6.3	Medium	No

Geomorphic Landscape Unit (GLU)	Area (acres)	K	LS	C	R	A	Relative Sediment Production	Critical Coarse Sediment
O-Scrub/Shrub-3	209	0.22	6.47	0.13	41	7.5	Medium	No
O-Scrub/Shrub-4	96	0.22	6.62	0.13	44	8.2	Medium	No
O-Unknown-1	1236	0.28	1.60	0.12	26	1.5	Low	No
O-Unknown-2	62	0.27	1.48	0.13	36	1.8	Low	No
O-Unknown-3	15	0.29	3.52	0.13	38	4.9	Low	No
O-Unknown-4	7	0.34	3.87	0.12	40	6.6	Medium	No

GLU Nomenclature: Geology – Land Cover – Slope Category

Geology Categories:

CB Coarse Bedrock

CSI Coarse Sedimentary Impermeable

CSP Coarse Sedimentary Permeable

FB Fine Bedrock

FSI Fine Sedimentary Impermeable

FSP Fine Sedimentary Permeable

O Other

Slope Categories:

1 0%-10%

2 10% - 20%

3 20% - 40%

4 > 40%

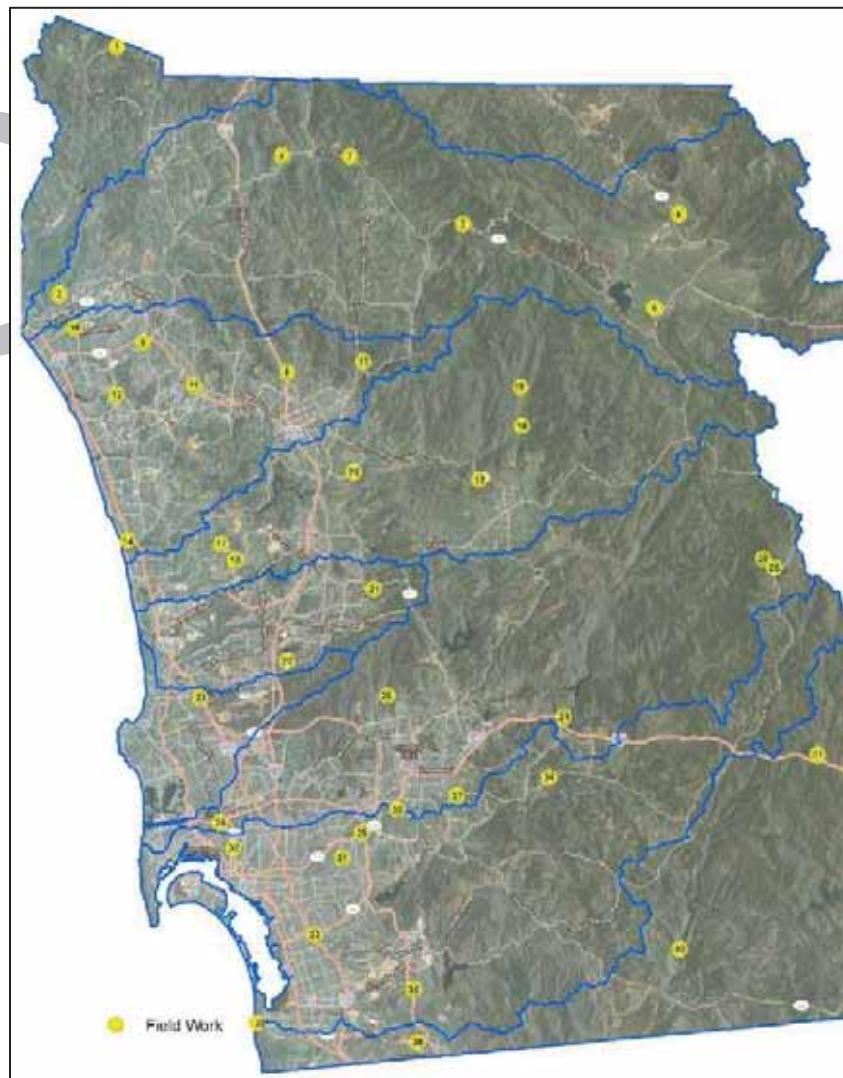
A4.3 Field Assessment

Site Selection:

Forty locations were selected from the study region for field assessment. Sites were selected such that they are accessible by existing road network based on review of satellite imagery and are uniformly distributed considering the following criteria:

- ☐ Geologic grouping
- ☐ Land cover
- ☐ Slope category
- ☐ WMA
- ☐ Jurisdiction

Yellow circles in the figure below shows the 40 locations for which field assessment was performed.



Pre-Field Activities

Prior to conducting field activities, the consultant team reviewed available published geologic information at each site location and prepared satellite imagery of each site using Google Earth™. Pre-field activities consisted of evaluating site access at each location using aerial imagery and logistics were coordinated based on regional site location to maximize field efficiency.

Site Reconnaissance

Site reconnaissance was performed at forty locations between 22 January and 7 February 2014 by a team of geologists. The reconnaissance consisted of:

- ☐ Visual soil classification,
- ☐ Assessing existing vegetative cover (0-100%),
- ☐ Qualitative assignment of existing sediment production (low, medium, and high) [based on existing vegetative cover],
- ☐ Qualitative assignment of potential sediment production (low, medium, and high)[assuming there is 0% vegetative cover], and
- ☐ Identifying existing erosional features.

Descriptions and visual classifications of the surficial materials were based on the Unified Soil Classification System (USCS). Underlying geologic units were confirmed where exposed formations were observed within the individual site limits.

SITE AND GEOLOGIC CONDITIONS

Our knowledge of the site conditions has been developed from a review of available geologic literature, previous geologic and geotechnical investigations by the consultant team in the study region, professional experience, site reconnaissance, and field investigations performed for this study.

Surface Conditions

Site locations were sited in open space with the exception of sites ID-27, -30, and -31 which were situated within developed areas with paved streets and sidewalks. The surface conditions at the site locations were characterized by sloping terrain varying from relatively flat (< 5%) to very steep slopes (> 40%). At the time of our reconnaissance the natural hillsides along the areas of interest were covered by varying degrees of moderate to dense growth scrub brush, low grasses, and scattered trees.

Existing erosional and geomorphic features at each site location were identified where possible. The observed erosional features included notable drainages, rilling, scour, and sediment accumulation. Observed geomorphic features included areas of minor slope instability and surficial slumping. Several sources of ground disturbance were identified during the site reconnaissance included active grading operations and bioturbation.

An evaluation of the existing and potential sediment production for each site was determined based on surface conditions. Sediment production was assigned as “high, medium, or low” based on the existing conditions and consultant team’s professional experience.

Surficial Deposits

Surficial deposits, including topsoil, alluvium, colluvium, slopewash, and residual soils are present in portions of the study area within the natural drainages and mantling the slope areas. The composition and grain size of these materials are variable depending on the age, parent sources, and mode of deposition.

Geologic Conditions

Our knowledge of the subsurface conditions at the site locations is based on a review of available published geologic information, professional experience, site reconnaissance, previous explorations and geotechnical investigations performed by the consultant team in the study region.

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Field Assessment Photo Log



Field Visit ID-1

GLU: CB-Scrub/Shrub-4

View: Looking southwest

Existing sediment
production: Med

Potential sediment
production: High

Existing veg. cover: 90%



Field Visit ID-2

GLU: CB-Forest-4

View: Looking north

Existing sediment
production: Med

Potential sediment
production: High

Existing veg. cover: 95%



Field Visit ID-3

**GLU: CSI-Agricultural/
Grass-3**

View: Looking southwest

Existing sediment
production: Low to Med

Potential sediment
production:

Med to High

Existing veg. cover:
95-100%



Field Visit ID-4

GLU: CSI-Scrub/Shrub-2

View: Looking north

Existing sediment
production: Med

Potential sediment
production: High

Existing veg. cover: 70%



Field Visit ID-5

**GLU: CSP-Agricultural/
Grass-1**

View: Looking southwest

Existing sediment
production: Low to Med

Potential sediment
production: Med

Existing veg. cover: 90%



Field Visit ID-6

**GLU: CSP-Agricultural/
Grass-3**

View: Looking east

Existing sediment
production: Low to Med

Potential sediment
production:

Low to Med

Existing veg. cover:
Southeast slope ~50%

Northeast slope ~70%



Field Visit ID-7

GLU: CSP-Forest-3

View: Looking east

Existing sediment
production: Med to High

Potential sediment
production: High

Existing veg. cover: 75-80%



Field Visit ID-8

GLU: CB-Scrub/Shrub-3

View: Looking southeast

Existing sediment
production: Low to Med

Potential sediment
production:

Med to High

Existing veg. cover: 90-95%



Field Visit ID-9

**GLU: CB-Agricultural/
Grass-2**

View: Looking northwest

Existing sediment
production: Low to Med

Potential sediment
production: Med

Existing veg. cover: 70%



Field Visit ID-10

GLU: CSI-Unknown-2

View: Looking north

Existing sediment
production: Med to High

Potential sediment
production: High

Existing veg. cover: 75%



Field Visit ID-11

**GLU: CSI-Agricultural/
Grass-2**

View: Looking east

Existing sediment
production: Low

Potential sediment
production: Med

Existing veg. cover: 85%



Field Visit ID-12

GLU: CSP-Unknown-2

View: Looking southwest

Existing sediment
production: Low

Potential sediment
production:

Low to Med

Existing veg. cover: 50%



Field Visit ID-13

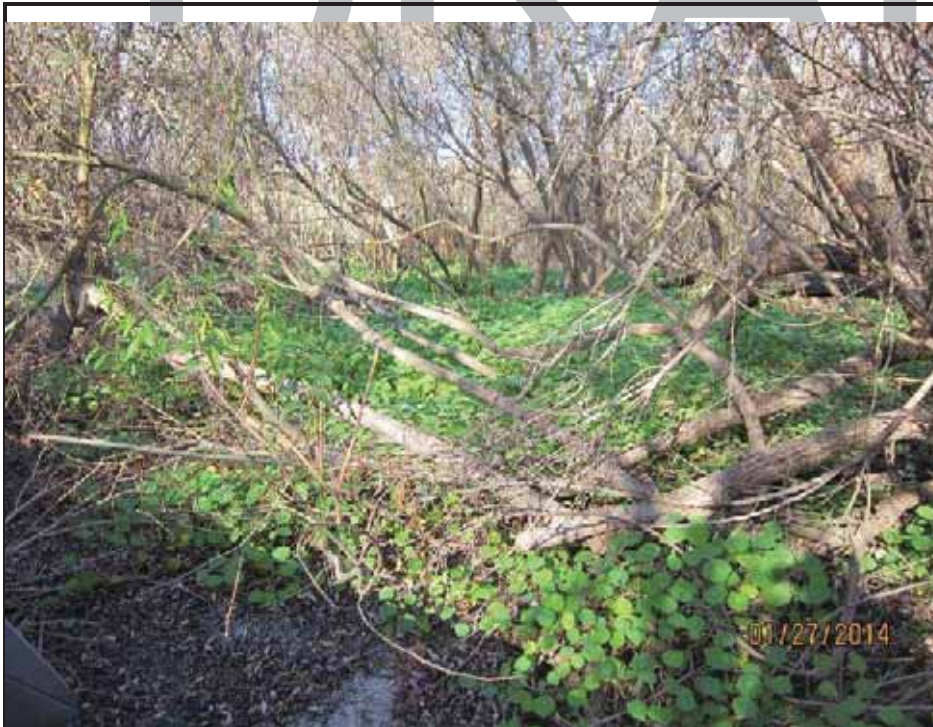
GLU: CSP-Scrub/Shrub-2

View: Looking southeast

Existing sediment
production: Med

Potential sediment
production:
Med to High

Existing veg. cover: 80-85%



Field Visit ID-14

GLU: FSP-Scrub/Shrub-1

View: Looking northeast

Existing sediment
production: Low

Potential sediment
production:
Low to Med

Existing veg. cover:
95-100%



Field Visit ID-15

**GLU: CB-Agricultural/
Grass-4**

View: Looking west

Existing sediment
production: Med

Potential sediment
production: High

Existing veg. cover: 95%



Field Visit ID-16

**GLU: CB-Agricultural/
Grass-3**

View: Looking south

Existing sediment
production: High*

Potential sediment
production: High

Existing veg. cover: 90-95%

* Area was burned in 2014
fires after the field
assessment so existing
sediment production was
adjusted to High (based on
potential sediment
production) from Medium



Field Visit ID-17

GLU: CSI-Scrub/Shrub-4

View: Looking west

Existing sediment
production: Med

Potential sediment
production: High

Existing veg. cover: 95%



Field Visit ID-18

GLU: CSP-Forest-1

View: Looking southwest

Existing sediment
production: Low to Med

Potential sediment
production: Med

Existing veg. cover: 80%



Field Visit ID-19

GLU: CSP-Scrub/Shrub-3

View: Looking southwest

Existing sediment
production: Low to Med

Potential sediment
production:
Med to High

Existing veg. cover: 60%



Field Visit ID-20

GLU: CSP-Unknown-1

View: Looking southeast

Existing sediment
production: Low

Potential sediment
production: Med

Existing veg. cover: 95%



Field Visit ID-21

GLU: CB-Unknown-3

View: Looking northwest

Existing sediment
production: Low to Med

Potential sediment
production:
Med to High

Existing veg. cover: 50-60%



Field Visit ID-22

GLU: CSI-Forest-3

View: Looking east

Existing sediment
production: Low

Potential sediment
production: Med

Existing veg. cover: 60%



Field Visit ID-23

GLU: CSI-Scrub/Shrub-1

View: Looking north

Existing sediment
production: Low

Potential sediment
production: Low

Existing veg. cover: 80%



Field Visit ID-24

GLU: CB-Unknown-4

View: Looking northeast

Existing sediment
production: Low to Med

Potential sediment
production: High

Existing veg. cover: 80%



Field Visit ID-25

**GLU: CSI-Agricultural/
Grass-4**

View: Looking east

Existing sediment
production: Low

Potential sediment
production: Med-High

Existing veg. cover: 95%



Field Visit ID-26

GLU: CSI-Scrub/Shrub-3

View: Looking east

Existing sediment
production: Low

Potential sediment
production: Med

Existing veg. cover: 100%



Field Visit ID-27

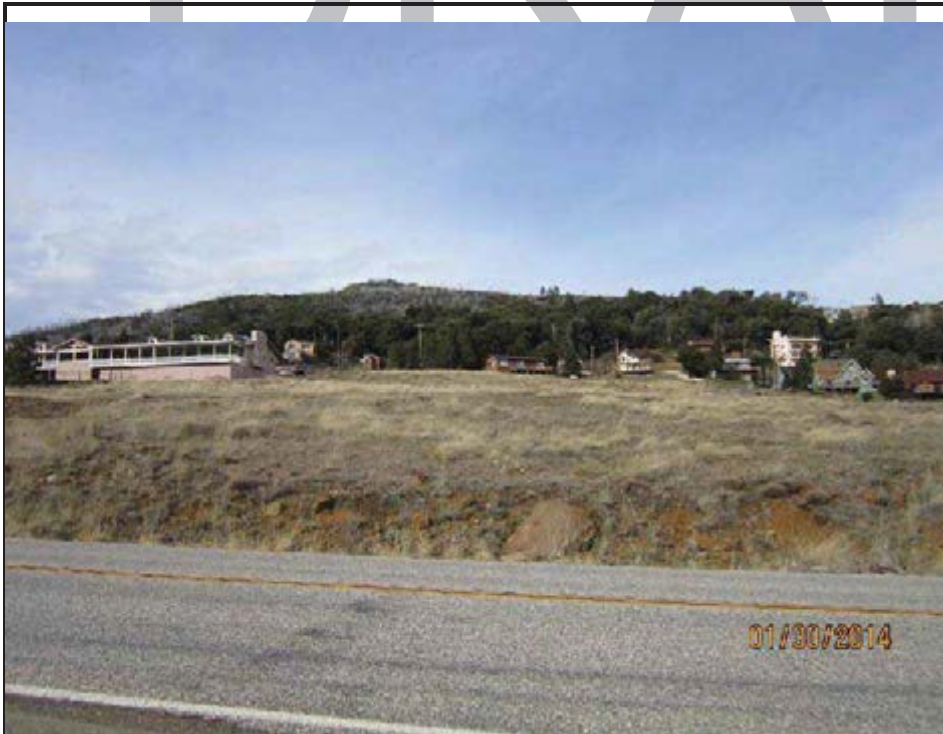
GLU: CSP-Developed-2

View: Looking north

Existing sediment
production: Low

Potential sediment
production: Low

Existing veg. cover: 30-35%



Field Visit ID-28

**GLU: CSP-Agricultural/
Grass-2**

View: Looking north

Existing sediment
production: Low

Potential sediment
production: Med

Existing veg. cover: 90-95%



Field Visit ID-29

GLU: FB-Forest-3

View: Looking northwest

Existing sediment
production: Med

Potential sediment
production: High

Existing veg. cover: 80-85%



Field Visit ID-30

GLU: CB-Developed-4

View: Looking northeast

Existing sediment
production: Low

Potential sediment
production: Med

Existing veg. cover: 70%



Field Visit ID-31

GLU: CSI-Developed-3

View: Looking north

Existing sediment
production: Low

Potential sediment
production: Low

Existing veg. cover: 30-35%



Field Visit ID-32

GLU: CSI-Unknown-3

View: Looking west

Existing sediment
production: Low to Med

Potential sediment
production: Med

Existing veg. cover: 70-75%



Field Visit ID-33

GLU: CSP-Scrub/Shrub-1

View: Looking northeast

Existing sediment
production: Low to Med

Potential sediment
production:
Med to High

Existing veg. cover: 70%



Field Visit ID-34

GLU: CSP-Developed-2

View: Looking south

Existing sediment
production: Low

Potential sediment
production: Low

Existing veg. cover: 95%



Field Visit ID-35

GLU: FB-Scrub/Shrub-3

View: Looking northeast

Existing sediment
production: Low

Potential sediment
production: Med

Existing veg. cover: 90-95%



Field Visit ID-36

**GLU: FSI-Agricultural/
Grass-2**

View: Looking northeast

Existing sediment
production: Low

Potential sediment
production: Med

Existing veg. cover: 95%



Field Visit ID-37

GLU: CB-Forest-3

View: Looking southeast

Existing sediment
production: Med-High

Potential sediment
production: High

Existing veg. cover: 75-80%



Field Visit ID-38

**GLU: CSI-Agricultural/
Grass-1**

View: Looking northeast

Existing sediment
production: Low

Potential sediment
production: Med

Existing veg. cover: 85%



Field Visit ID-39

GLU: CSP-Developed-1

View: Looking west

Existing sediment
production: Low

Potential sediment
production: Low

Existing veg. cover: 30-35%



Field Visit ID-40

GLU: CSP-Scrub/Shrub-4

View: Looking south

Existing sediment
production: Med

Potential sediment
production: High

Existing veg. cover: 90-95%

ATTACHMENT A.5
PHYSICAL STRUCTURES

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A.5 Physical Structures

The desktop-level analysis to identify existing physical structures within the nine watershed management areas within the San Diego region utilized the following GIS data sources:

- ☐ ESRI ArcMap, Google Earth, and Google Maps products
- ☐ Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) Flood Insurance Study (FIS) Flood Profiles and FEMA Flood Insurance Rate Map (FIRM)
- ☐ National Flood Hazard Layer (NFHL)
- ☐ Municipal master drainage plans (as provided)
- ☐ San Diego Geographic Information Source (SanGIS) Municipal Boundaries and Hydrologic Basins
- ☐ United States Geological Survey (USGS) National Hydrography Dataset (NHD) California data
- ☐ Stream data generated as indicated in Section 2.2

The following documents the process used to identify the physical structures along the reaches and the resulting GIS data:

- ☐ The process began by importing the data sources indicated above into a single ArcMap document that served as a master map file from which all further analysis proceeded.
- ☐ The data were screened and selected for inclusion as appropriate to the project scope.
- ☐ Point features were placed along river reach line segments to coincide with visually identified structures, utilizing different feature symbols according to the type of infrastructure.
- ☐ In the case of levees, the point was placed at the downstream-most end of the FEMA NFHL Shapefile. All point features generated in this task appear in the GIS shapefile.
- ☐ Municipal boundaries intersecting river reaches were identified to identify the applicable municipal drainage plan data.
- ☐ Point feature attributes and associated information for Physical Structures GIS shapefile is indicated in Table A.5.1 below.

Table A.5.1: Structure Identification Point Feature Attribute Development and Information

Attribute	Description
Struct_ID	The Structure ID field provides a six-digit identification number based upon the structure's specific location within a watershed. The first three digits in the code reflect the structure's Hydrologic Unit (HU) Basin number (ranging between 902-911 for Region 9, as defined in the Water Quality Control Plan for the San Diego Basin). The subsequent three digits reflect the structure's location along the reach, ascending along the channel from the headwaters to tailwaters (ranging between 001-999, beginning at the confluence and increasing in the upstream direction).

Attribute	Description
WMA	The Watershed Management Area field provides the name of the watershed in which the structure exists. The WMA corresponds with the HU identified in the first three digits in the Struct_ID (e.g., 911, Tijuana Watershed).
Channel_ID	The Channel ID field provides the name of the channel in which the structure exists.
Struct_Typ	The Structure Type field classifies known structures as one of the following types:, Bridge, Culvert, Dam, Energy Dissipater, Flood Management Basin, Flood Wall, Grade Control, Levee, Pipeline, Weir.
Struct_Dtl	The Structure Detail field provides known quantitative information for multi-section culverts.
Struct_Mtl	The Structure Material field provides known qualitative information for structure material composition.
Struct_Shp	The Structure Shape field provides known geometric information for culvert shapes, and is classified as one of the following types: Arch, Box, Pipe.
Jurisd_ID	The Jurisdiction ID field, when applicable, provides the known separate structure identification number developed and utilized by the jurisdiction or entity responsible for creating and distributing the coinciding structure Shapefile data used for this analysis. This number was copied from the coinciding external Shapefile data attribute field best representing a unique jurisdiction or entity-based identification number (external Shapefile data received from regional WMAA data call; for jurisdictional information, see "Other" attribute field). Coinciding external Shapefile data was used to determine various structure attributes.
Plan_ID	The Plan ID field, when applicable, provides the known structure plan number corresponding with the Jurisdiction ID. This number was copied from the coinciding external Shapefile data attribute field best representing a unique plan number received from the regional WMAA data call (external Shapefile data received from regional WMAA data call; for jurisdictional information, see "Other" field). Coinciding external Shapefile data was used to determine various structure attributes.
Diameter	The Diameter field, when applicable, provides the known diameter (in US feet) for culverts.
Length	The Length field, when applicable, provides the known length (in US feet) for select structure types. When lengths were determined using FEMA FIS Flood Profiles, the scaled horizontal distances along the indicated roadway or channel slope were used.
Width	The Width field, when applicable, provides the known width (in US feet) for select structure types.
Height	The Height field, when applicable, provides the known height (in US feet) for select structure types. When heights were determined using FEMA FIS Flood Profiles, the scaled vertical distances from channel bed to indicated roadway bottom were used.
US_Invert	The Upstream Invert field, when applicable, provides the known upstream invert elevation (in US feet) for select structure types.
DS_Invert	The Downstream Invert field, when applicable, provides the known downstream invert elevation (in US feet) for select structure types.

Attribute	Description
RD_EL_NAVD	The Roadway Elevation (NAVD) field, when applicable, provides the known roadway elevation (in US feet, NAVD) for select structure types. When roadway elevations were determined using FEMA FIS Flood Profiles, the horizontal projection onto the vertical grid scales were used.
Loc_Descr	The Location Description field, when applicable, provides information for structures crossing a known roadway. In nearly all cases, Google Earth imagery was used to determine the roadway name.
Other	The Other field is used to convey any information not present within the preceding fields. Typically, "other" information includes jurisdictional, plan, and supplemental dimensions for a given structure.

Example Structure Identification

The following example demonstrates the structure identification process for a discrete structure (ID 907029) along the San Diego River. The San Diego River is located in the San Diego River watershed (WMA 907). Scanning the river from lower to higher reached, a new point feature was placed at the road crossing over the San Diego River as indicated in Figure A.5.1. Select attributes of this particular structure were available from the FEMA NFHL as displayed in the highlighted boxes in Figure A.5.1. Additional attributes such as the culvert height, length, roadway elevation, and name were also determined from the FIS Flood Profile as indicated in Figure A.5.2. Satellite imagery (e.g., Google) was used to verify the existence of structure. In this case, the most current Google Map data indicated that the culvert still exists and that the roadway name has been changed to Qualcomm Way. When structures could not be verified with satellite imagery, the structure identification was based solely upon the information provided or readily available and was not physically verified in the field. Figure A.5.3 displays an example of imagery used to identify structures.

Figure A.5.1: Typical ArcMap Window

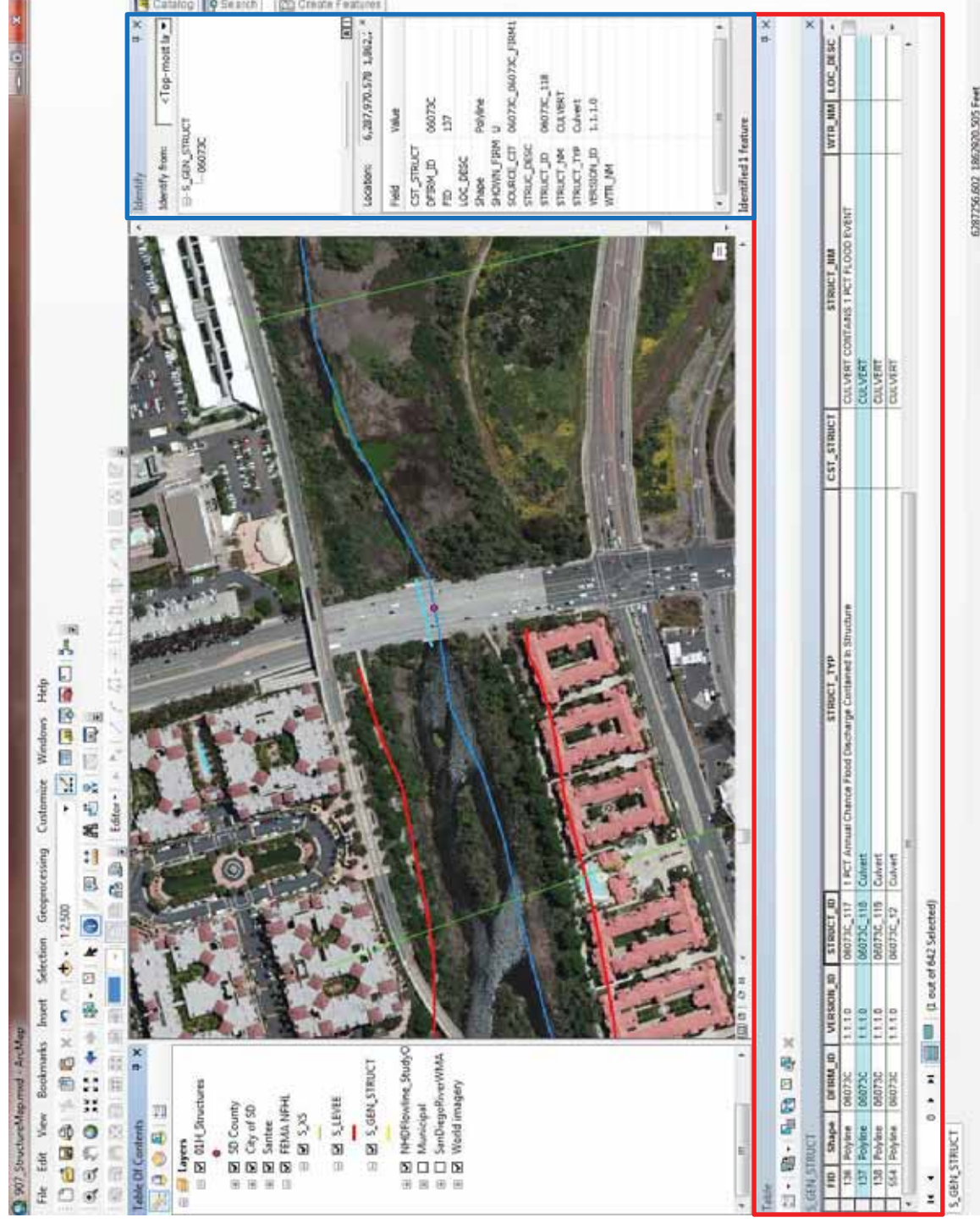
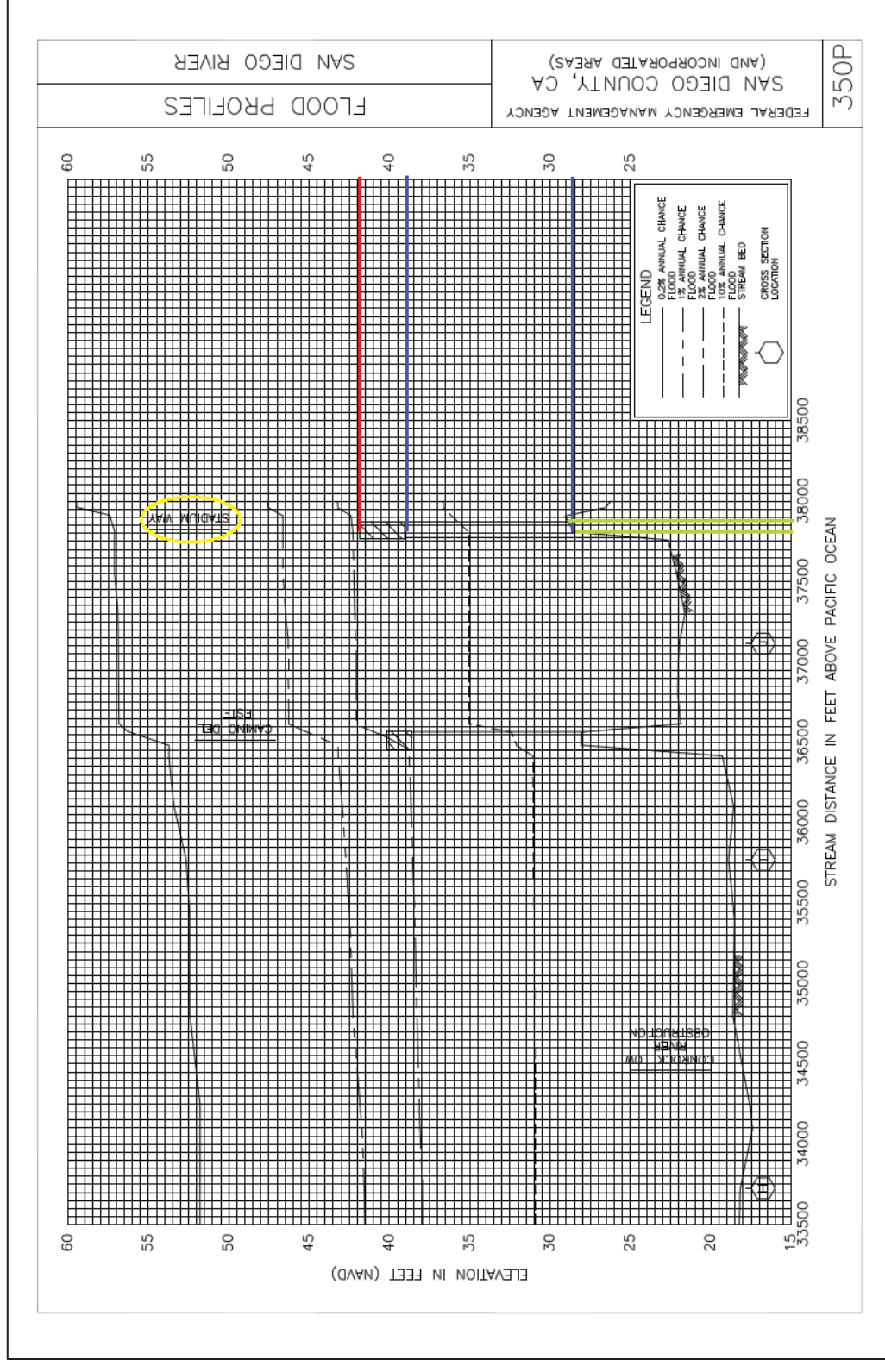


Figure A.5.2: Typical FEMA FIS Flood Profile



Legend: roadway elevation (red), roadway name (yellow), culvert height (blue), culvert width (green)

Figure A.5.3: Google Map Imagery for Structure Identification



The following bridge structure dimensional attributes were included in the point feature attributes:

- ☐ length 110 feet
- ☐ height 10 feet
- ☐ roadway elevation 41.9 feet

The attribute table associated with the identified structure included in the GIS shapefile is indicated in Table A.5.2.

Table A.5.2: Structure 907029 Attribute Table

Attribute	Description
Struct_ID	907029
WMA	San Diego
Channel_ID	San Diego River
Struct_Typ	Culvert
Struct_Dtl	
Struct_Mtl	
Struct_Shp	
Jurisd_ID	06073C_118
Plan_ID	06073C_06073C_FIRM1
Diameter	0
Length	110
Width	0
Height	10
US_Invert	0
DS_Invert	0
RD_EL_NAVD	41.9
Loc_Descr	Qualcomm Way
Other	Info from FEMA NFHL shapefile data/FIS FP V.9-350P



San Diegoito Watershed - HU 905.00, 346 mi2

Exhibit Date: Sept. 8, 2014

ATTACHMENT B
HYDROMODIFICATION MANAGEMENT
APPLICABILITY/EXEMPTIONS

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ATTACHMENT B.1
EXEMPT RIVER REACH

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B.1.1 Exempt River Reaches

B.1.1.1 Approach for Exempt River Reach Analysis

The approach selected in this cumulative hydromodification impacts study accounts for: (1) hydrology, (2) channel geometry, (3) bed and bank material, and (4) sediment supply. The selected approach compares long-term changes in sediment transport capacity, or in-stream work, and sediment supply for the existing and future development conditions. The ratio of future/existing condition transport capacity, or work, is termed Erosion Potential (Ep). The ratio of future/existing condition bed sediment supply is termed Sediment Supply Potential (Sp). To calculate Ep, the hydrology, channel geometry, and bed/bank materials are characterized for the existing and future conditions. To calculate Sp, the sediment supply factor is characterized for the existing and future conditions.

The findings in this study propose exemption for a given river reach if the analysis satisfies the following criteria:

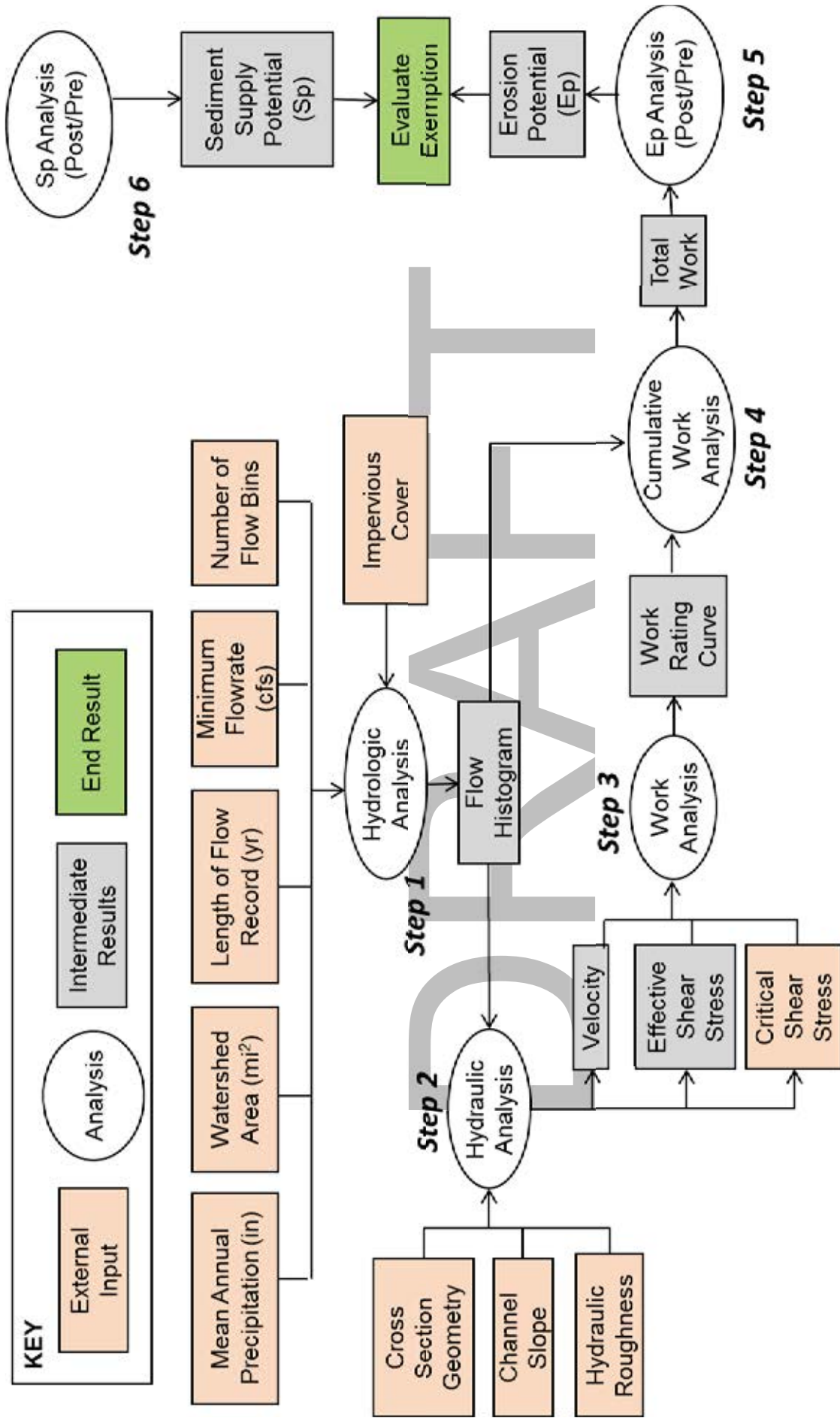
- $Ep < 1.05$ when $d_{50} < 16$ mm or $Ep < 1.20$ when $d_{50} > 16$ mm, and;
- $Sp > 0.90$

The following bullet points provide basis for the criteria listed above:

- For Ep
 - According to the Journal of Hydrology article titled Channel Enlargement in Semiarid Suburbanizing Watersheds: A Southern California Case Study (Hawley and Bledsoe, 2013): “*The threshold corresponding to the presence/absence of headcutting varied based on substrate type, and was roughly quantified as a sediment-transport ratio greater than ~1.20 in systems with a median grain size > 16mm, and [Ep] ~ 1.05 when $d_{50} < 16$ mm*”
- For Sp
 - Soar and Thorne (2001) indicate that a greater than 10% reduction in sediment supply can have potentially significant effects on stream stability.
 - SCCWRP Technical Report 605, 2010 states that changes of less than 10% in either driver (Water delivery and sediment are the drivers in this report) are unlikely to instigate, on their own, significant channel changes.

The flow chart summarizing the analysis procedure is presented below.

Flowchart for Exempt River Reach Analysis



B.1.1.2 Selection of Inputs for Exempt River Reach Analysis

The following steps were implemented for each river reach:

- Step 1 – Hydrologic Analysis:
 - Due to limited flow data, a flow duration equation developed for Southern California (Hawley and Bledsoe, 2011) was used to estimate existing and future flow histograms for each watershed.
 - The change in impervious cover between existing and future development conditions was estimated using the developable land use layer from Section 2.3.
 - A desktop-level GIS exercise was performed to manually assign land use classifications if the parcel in the developable land use layer directly discharges into the analyzed reach. Results are summarized in Section B.1.13.
 - Assumptions for percent imperviousness for each land use type were based on the information provided in the San Diego County Imperviousness Study (County of San Diego, 2010).
 - The table below presents the input parameters used to construct flow histograms, as well as the estimated channel slope at the critical cross section.

Exempt River Reach	Area (sq. miles)	Mean Annual Precipitation (in)	Length of Daily Flow Record (Years)	Channel Slope (ft/ft)
San Dieguito River	45	14	30	0.0012

- Step 2 – Hydraulic Analysis: The reach type classification from Section 2.2 was used to identify the critical cross section along the reach for E_p analysis. A critical flow rate of $0.5Q_2$ was assigned to estimate the critical shear stress for the analyzed cross section. Flow rates below $0.5Q_2$ were assumed to perform no work on the reach.
- Step 3 – Work Analysis: The simplified effective work equation shown below is used to calculate the work done for each flow bin.

$$W = (\tau - \tau_c)^{1.5}V$$

Where

W = Work (dimensionless)

τ = effective Shear Stress [lb/ft^2]

τ_c = Critical Shear Stress [lb/ft^2]

V = Flow Velocity [ft/s]

- Step 4 – Cumulative Work Analysis: Cumulative work is a measure of the long-term total work or sediment transport capacity performed at a given stream location. Cumulative work incorporates both discharge magnitude and flow duration distributions for the full range of simulated flow rates. Cumulative work is calculated by multiplying work and duration for each bin. Total work is calculated through summation of work from all flow bins.
- Step 5 – E_p Analysis: E_p is calculated by dividing the total work of the future condition by that of the existing condition. The existing river reaches analyzed appear relatively stable and have not experienced excessive geomorphic instability due to the alteration of

the drainage areas. Given the stable condition of the existing channels, the existing condition was used as the baseline condition instead of natural. Results from the Ep analysis are presented in Section B.1.1.3.

- Step 6 – Sp Analysis: Coarse Sediment Supply Potential for each watershed was estimated using the quantitative results from Section 2.4. First, the watershed coarse sediment soil loss was estimated for all GLUs producing coarse sediment. Then, the future-condition coarse sediment soil loss was estimated by subtracting the approximate exempt parcel soil loss from the existing soil loss. Sp is ultimately calculated by dividing the future coarse sediment soil loss by the existing coarse sediment soil loss. Results from Sp analysis are presented in Section B.1.1.3.

Steps 1 to 5 were performed in Excel and Steps 1 and 6 were executed in GIS. Ep estimates for the exempt river reaches are included in this attachment.

Exempt river reach extents are shown in the figure below. Figure also indicate the tributaries assumed to be stable for performing the erosion potential analysis as a conservative approach to approximate potential HMP exempt flows that may enter the river reach being analyzed.

For a PDP draining to one of the assumed stable tributaries shown in the following exempt reach figure, the PDP applicant shall verify and document that the assumed stable tributary is a stabilized conveyance system by using the methodology presented in section 4.1.2 prior to claiming exemption from hydromodification management requirements.

For a PDP draining to a tributary not shown in the figure below to be considered for exemption, a stability analysis using the section 4.1.2 methodology is to be conducted for the given tributary. If the stability analysis determines the tributary is stable, then the exempt river reach analysis indicated in section 4.1.1 shall be performed by adding the additional stabilized tributary to the current list of tributaries shown in the figure below to confirm that the reach satisfies the Ep and Sp criteria.

B.1.1.3 Results from Exempt River Reach Analysis

Results from Erosion potential analysis are presented below:

Exempt River Reach	Area (acres)	Impervious Area (acres) [%]			Ep (Post/Pre) [Criteria<1.05]
		Pre	Post	Increase	
San Dieguito River	28,701	6,008[20.9]	6,042[21.0]	34[0.1]	1.01

Results from coarse sediment supply potential analysis are presented below:

Exempt River Reach	Soil Loss (tons/yr.)			Sp (Post/Pre) [Criteria>0.90]
	Pre	Exempt Parcels	Post [Pre •• Exempt Parcels]	
San Dieguito River	53,549	3,582	49,967	0.93

Based on the results from the analysis it is recommended that exemption be reinstated for San Dieguito River.

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Erosion Potential Analysis for San Diegoito River

Erosion Potential (Ep)1.01

Channel Slope	0.0012	ft/ft
Estimated Q_2	156	cfs
0.5 Q_2	78	cfs
Critical Shear	0.044	lb/sq. ft
Y	62.4	lb/ft ³

	A	Existing Condition	Future Condition
Tributary Area	sq mi	45	45
Mean Annual Precip	in/yr	14.0	14.0
Length of Daily Flow Record	Yr	30	30
Imperviousness	mi^2/mi^2	0.209	0.211
Maximum Flow of Record	Q_{max} cfs	1583.0	1583.0
Minimum Flow of Record	Q_{min} cfs	0.01	0.01
10-year peak flow	Q_{10} cfs	3734.4	3734.4
Coefficient of DDF	$day1$ days & cfs	5669.51	5762.95
Exponent of DDF	$day2$ days & cfs	-0.84	-0.84
Number of Bins	N_B --	25	25
Bin Size	H_{Bin} --	0.499	0.499

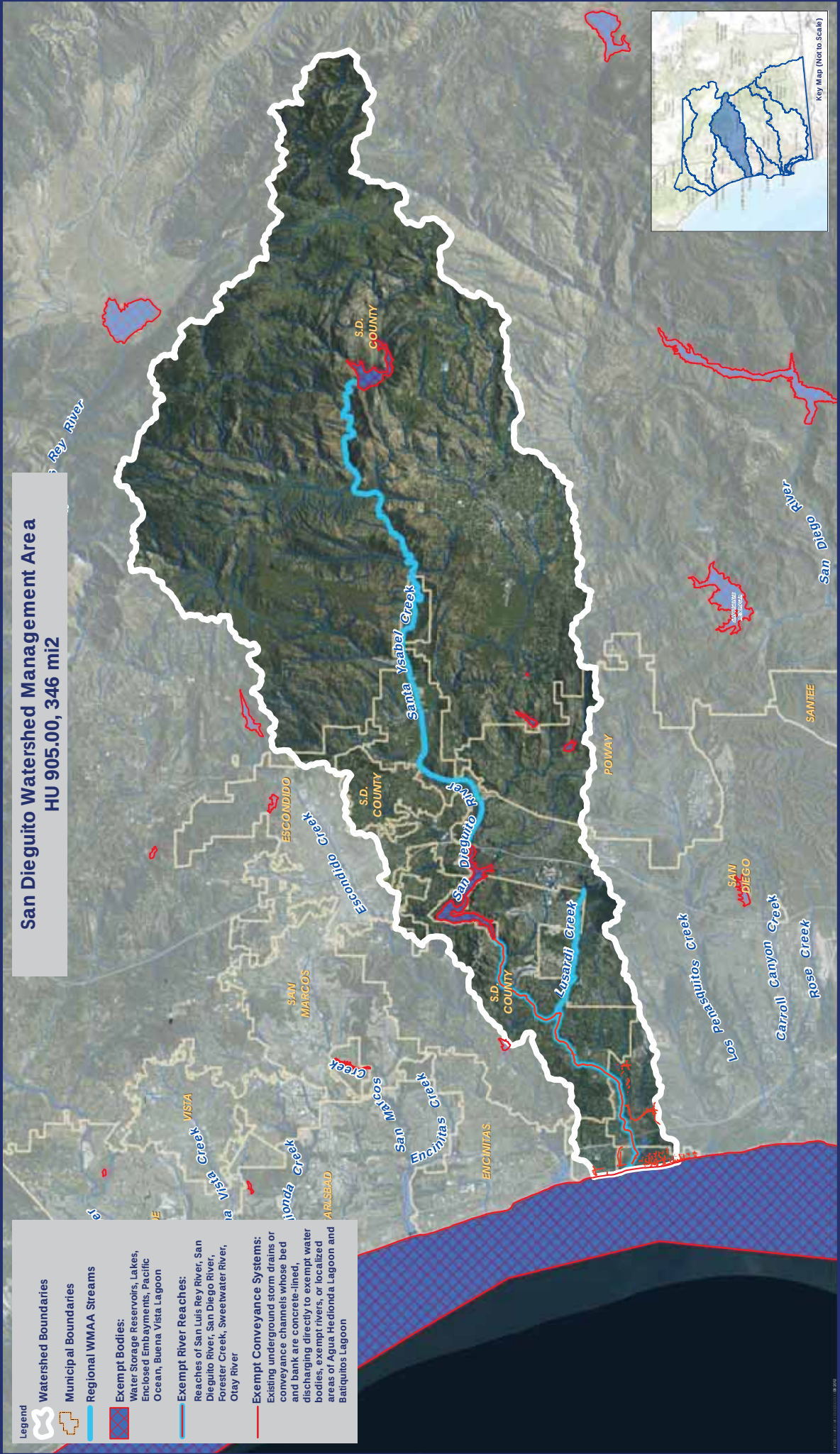
Bin Number	Lower Bound of Bin Number	Upper Bound of Bin Number	Flow	Hydraulic Radius	Flow Velocity	Shear Stress	Work	Duration	Cumulative Work	Duration	Cumulative Work
B	$B_{lower}(cfs)$	$B_{upper}(cfs)$	$Q(cfs)$	$R(ft)$	$v(ft/s)$	$\tau(psf)$	W		$W*duration$		$W*duration$
1	0.006	0.010	0.01	0.01	0.07	0.001	0.000	322675	0.00	330221	0.00
2	0.010	0.016	0.01	0.01	0.07	0.001	0.000	212448	0.00	217264	0.00
3	0.016	0.027	0.02	0.02	0.09	0.001	0.000	139875	0.00	142946	0.00
4	0.027	0.045	0.04	0.01	0.10	0.001	0.000	92093	0.00	94049	0.00
5	0.045	0.074	0.06	0.03	0.11	0.002	0.000	60634	0.00	61878	0.00
6	0.074	0.121	0.10	0.03	0.13	0.002	0.000	39921	0.00	40712	0.00
7	0.121	0.199	0.16	0.04	0.14	0.003	0.000	26284	0.00	26786	0.00
8	0.199	0.328	0.26	0.05	0.16	0.004	0.000	17305	0.00	17623	0.00
9	0.328	0.541	0.43	0.05	0.19	0.004	0.000	11394	0.00	11595	0.00
10	0.541	0.891	0.72	0.07	0.21	0.005	0.000	7502	0.00	7629	0.00
11	0.891	1.467	1.18	0.08	0.25	0.006	0.000	4939	0.00	5019	0.00
12	1.467	2.416	1.94	0.11	0.29	0.008	0.000	3252	0.00	3302	0.00
13	2.416	3.979	3.20	0.13	0.34	0.010	0.000	2141	0.00	2173	0.00
14	3.979	6.552	5.27	0.17	0.40	0.013	0.000	1410	0.00	1430	0.00
15	6.552	10.790	8.67	0.21	0.46	0.016	0.000	928	0.00	941	0.00
16	10.790	17.769	14.28	0.26	0.53	0.019	0.000	611	0.00	619	0.00
17	17.769	29.263	23.52	0.34	0.62	0.025	0.000	402	0.00	407	0.00
18	29.263	48.191	38.73	0.43	0.73	0.032	0.000	265	0.00	268	0.00
19	48.191	79.361	63.78	0.54	0.85	0.040	0.000	174	0.00	176	0.00
20	79.361	130.694	105.03	0.68	1.00	0.051	0.001	115	0.06	116	0.06
21	130.694	215.228	172.96	0.86	1.16	0.064	0.003	76	0.25	76	0.25
22	215.228	354.441	284.83	1.08	1.35	0.081	0.009	50	0.47	50	0.48
23	354.441	583.699	469.07	1.34	1.57	0.100	0.021	33	0.68	33	0.69
24	583.699	961.245	772.47	1.65	1.80	0.124	0.040	22	0.87	22	0.87
25	961.245	1582.993	1272.12	1.98	2.03	0.148	0.068	14	0.97	14	0.97

ATTACHMENT B.2
HYDROMODIFICATION MANAGEMENT EXEMPTION
MAPPING
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San Diego Watershed Management Area HU 905.00, 346 mi²

Legend

- Watershed Boundaries
- Municipal Boundaries
- Regional WMAA Streams
- Exempt Bodies:
 - Water Storage Reservoirs, Lakes, Enclosed Embayments, Pacific Ocean, Buena Vista Lagoon
- Exempt River Reaches:
 - Reaches of San Luis Rey River, San Diego River, San Diego River, Forester Creek, Sweetwater River, Otay River
- Exempt Conveyance Systems:
 - Existing underground storm drains or conveyance channels whose bed and bank are concrete-lined, discharging directly to exempt water bodies, exempt rivers, or localized areas of Agua Hedionda Lagoon and Batiquitos Lagoon



Receiving Waters and Conveyance Systems Exempt from Hydromodification Management Requirements

ATTACHMENT C
ELECTRONIC FILES

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Electronic Folder titled “San Dieguito_WMAA_Attachment C Electronic_Data.zip” Contents:

1. ☐ ArcMap 10.0 and 10.1 map files created for purpose of viewing Regional WMAA data
 - ☐ WMAA_04_SanDieguito_Data_2014_0908_v10.mxd
 - ☐ WMAA_04_SanDieguito_Data_2014_0908_v101.mxd
2. ☐ ESRI Geodatabase titled " WMAA_04_SanDieguito_Data_2014_0908_v10.gdb" containing the following data:
 - ☐ WatershedBoundaries
 - ☐ Watershed_Boundaries
 - ☐ HydrologicProcesses
 - ☐ HRUAnalysis
 - ☐ Streams – description of existing streams in the watershed
 - ☐ SD_Regional_WMAA_Streams (streams selected for detailed analysis)
 - ☐ SD_NHD_Streams (portion of NHD dataset included for reference)
 - ☐ LandUsePlanning
 - ☐ SanGIS_ExistingLandUse
 - ☐ SanGIS_PlannedLandUse
 - ☐ SanGIS_DevelopableLands
 - ☐ SanGIS_RedevelopmentandInfill
 - ☐ SanGIS_MunicipalBoundaries
 - ☐ Federal_State_Indian_Lands
 - ☐ SanGIS_MHPA_SD
 - ☐ SanGIS_MSCP_CN
 - ☐ SanGIS_MSCP_EAST_DRAFT_CN
 - ☐ SanGIS_Draft_North_County_MSCP_Version_8_Categories
 - ☐ PotentialCoarseSedimentYield
 - ☐ GLUAnalysis
 - ☐ PotentialCoarseSedimentYieldAreas
 - ☐ MacroLevelPotentialCriticalAreas
 - ☐ PotentialCriticalCoarseSedimentYieldAreas
 - ☐ ChannelStructures
 - ☐ ChannelStructures
 - ☐ HydromodExemptions
 - ☐ Exempt_Systems
 - ☐ Exempt_Bodies
 - ☐ Floodplains: included for reference
 - ☐ FEMA_NFHL
 - ☐ Baselayers: included for reference
 - ☐ SanGIS_Lakes
 - ☐ link to ESRI World Imagery (internet connection is required to access ESRI World Imagery basemap)

Electronic Folder titled “San Dieguito _WMAA_Attachment C Electronic_Data.zip” Contents, continued:

3. ☐ Google Earth – KMZ file titled:

“WMAA_04_SanDieguito_Data_2014_0908_GoogleEarth.kmz”, containing the following data:

- ☐ WatershedBoundaries
- ☐ Streams
 - ☐ SD Regional WMAA Streams (streams selected for detailed analysis)
 - ☐ SD NHD Streams (portion of NHD dataset included for reference)
- ☐ LandUsePlanning
 - ☐ Municipal Boundaries
 - ☐ Federal/State/Indian Lands
- ☐ ChannelStructures
- ☐ HydromodExemptions
 - ☐ Exempt_Systems
 - ☐ Exempt_Bodies
- ☐ Floodplains: included for reference
 - ☐ FEMA Floodplain
- ☐ Dominant Hydrologic Processes
- ☐ Potential Critical Coarse Sediment Yield Areas

Notes:

- ☐ Open a map file (with extension .mxd) using ArcMap to view the data.
- ☐ All data contained in the geodatabase is loaded into the map.

ATTACHMENT D

REGIONAL MS4 PERMIT CROSSWALK

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Table below provides a linkage between the Regional MS4 Permit requirements for WMAA and this report.

Regional MS4 Permit Provision	Regional WMAA Report
B.3.b.(4)(a)	Chapter 2; Section 5.1; Attachment A and Attachment C
B.3.b.(4)(a)(i)	Section 2.1; Attachment A.1 and Attachment C
B.3.b.(4)(a)(ii)	Section 2.2; Attachment A.2 and Attachment C
B.3.b.(4)(a)(iii)	Section 2.3; Attachment A.3 and Attachment C
B.3.b.(4)(a)(iv)	Section 2.4; Attachment A.4 and Attachment C
B.3.b.(4)(a)(v)	Section 2.5; Attachment A.5 and Attachment C
B.3.b.(4)(b)	Chapter 3 and Section 5.2
B.3.b.(4)(c)	Chapter 4; Section 5.3; Attachment B and Attachment C

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Attachment M-3

Alternative Compliance Candidate Projects Lists

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City of San Diego Candidate Project List

Project Identifier	Watershed Management Area	Jurisdiction	Ownership		Project Location			Project Size & Parameters				Other Notes
			Owner Information	Address	APN	Latitude (X-Coordinate)	Longitude (Y-Coordinate)	Contributing Drainage Area (acres)	Parcel Size (acres)	Project Footprint (acres)	Parameters (with units as necessary)	
Public Parcels Identified as Suitable for Further Assessment to Determine Feasibility of Retrofitting with Green Infrastructure												
Parcels on this list that are 0.25 acres or greater have been assessed using broad assumptions necessary for computer modeling and were found to be potentially effective as an opportunity for contributing to load reduction goals. Considerable further assessment would be required before determining any of these sites to be viable retrofit sites for implementation of Green Infrastructure. That assessment includes verifying public ownership, determining if land use agreements and financing can be established, assessing feasibility based upon further investigation of physical site constraints at a project design level, and determining that construction and necessary approvals, including approvals from regulatory agencies other than the City of San Diego, can be completed within the time constraints in the Municipal Storm Water Permit that pertain to Alternative Compliance.												
1	San Dieguito	City of San Diego	San Pasqual Union School District	TBD	2410603800	6253374.45367271	1984641.66350000	TBD	26.11	TBD	TBD	TBD
2	San Dieguito	City of San Diego	City Of San Diego	TBD	2410601100 2411801200	6281442.11788400	1985604.70336033	TBD	19.79	TBD	TBD	TBD
3	San Dieguito	City of San Diego	State Of California Park	TBD	2990420100	6281442.11788400	1936207.69710900	TBD	48.68	TBD	TBD	TBD
4	San Dieguito	City of San Diego	City Of San Diego	TBD	2721104200	6281442.11788400	1959658.43284678	TBD	6.18	TBD	TBD	TBD
5	San Dieguito	City of San Diego	Southern California Edison Co	TBD	2983004600 2983005100	6281442.11788400	1937784.30027161	TBD	54.26	TBD	TBD	TBD
6	San Dieguito	City of San Diego	City Of San Diego	TBD	3031312500	6281442.11788400	1940485.49966700	TBD	1.11	TBD	TBD	TBD
7	San Dieguito	City of San Diego	City Of San Diego	TBD	2760310600	6281442.11788400	1972976.06790123	TBD	36.03	TBD	TBD	TBD
8	San Dieguito	City of San Diego	San Dieguito River Park Joint Powers Authority	TBD	2990403600 2990404100	6281442.11788400	1935373.13238911	TBD	50.79	TBD	TBD	TBD
9	San Dieguito	City of San Diego	City Of San Diego	TBD	2421100600 2421310800 2990431500 2990431400 2990430900 2990431300 2990404800 2990431000	6281442.11788400	1977972.02525081	TBD	96.68	TBD	TBD	TBD
10	San Dieguito	City of San Diego	City Of San Diego	TBD		6281442.11788400	1933660.95882920	TBD	143.44	TBD	TBD	TBD
11	San Dieguito	City of San Diego	City Of San Diego	TBD	2725703700	6281442.11788400	1960799.02971799	TBD	0.04	TBD	TBD	TBD
12	San Dieguito	City of San Diego	State Of California	TBD	2990420200	6281442.11788400	1935061.19817604	TBD	7.20	TBD	TBD	TBD
13	San Dieguito	City of San Diego	City Of San Diego	TBD	3022610200	6281442.11788400	1937611.92025000	TBD	372.74	TBD	TBD	TBD
14	San Dieguito	City of San Diego	San Dieguito River Valley Regional Open Space Park	TBD	3040201600 3040201300	6281442.11788400	1936569.04391753	TBD	73.04	TBD	TBD	TBD
15	San Dieguito	City of San Diego	City Of San Diego	TBD	2692601700	6281442.11788400	1946329.56960400	TBD	6.33	TBD	TBD	TBD
16	San Dieguito	City of San Diego	City Of San Diego	TBD	2692511400	6281442.11788400	1944449.06577300	TBD	1.44	TBD	TBD	TBD
17	San Dieguito	City of San Diego	City Of San Diego	TBD	2411003400	6281442.11788400	1976935.26543210	TBD	625.24	TBD	TBD	TBD

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18	San Dieguito	City of San Diego	City Of San Diego	TBD	2380370100 2380410700	6281442.11788400	1974771.60438635	TBD	1.98	TBD	TBD	TBD
19	San Dieguito	City of San Diego	City Of San Diego	TBD	2990401600 2990401500 2990402500	6281442.11788400	1935470.94444444	TBD	21.44	TBD	TBD	TBD
20	San Dieguito	City of San Diego	City Of San Diego	TBD	2760310400	6281442.11788400	1972529.82876561	TBD	25.48	TBD	TBD	TBD
21	San Dieguito	City of San Diego	City Of San Diego	TBD	2984904000	6309059.22448712	1937826.98580406	TBD	0.03	TBD	TBD	TBD
22	San Dieguito	City of San Diego	City Of San Diego	TBD	2985720200	6302765.84809714	1939771.32405224	TBD	0.08	TBD	TBD	TBD
23	San Dieguito	City of San Diego	San Dieguito River Park Joint Powers Authority	TBD	2990404500	6281442.11788400	1934622.78206998	TBD	29.05	TBD	TBD	TBD
24	San Dieguito	City of San Diego	San Dieguito River Park Joint Powers Authority	TBD	2990410900	6272881.85000000	1934013.17283951	TBD	46.61	TBD	TBD	TBD
25	San Dieguito	City of San Diego	State Of California	TBD	2990430100	6309481.01405138	1934122.89678412	TBD	8.17	TBD	TBD	TBD
26	San Dieguito	City of San Diego	City Of San Diego	TBD	3031411800	6293737.05845900	1939483.07088000	TBD	0.08	TBD	TBD	TBD
27	San Dieguito	City of San Diego	State Of California	TBD	3040201700	6257256.18480582	1937039.28837800	TBD	4.00	TBD	TBD	TBD
28	San Dieguito	City of San Diego	City Of San Diego	TBD	3051630200	6337462.85689399	1932860.85600000	TBD	5.00	TBD	TBD	TBD
29	San Dieguito	City of San Diego	City Of San Diego	TBD	3031304300	6295692.83398000	1939798.91658700	TBD	0.42	TBD	TBD	TBD
30	San Dieguito	City of San Diego	City Of San Diego	TBD	3031304600	6303893.49615487	1939779.76885200	TBD	1.07	TBD	TBD	TBD
31	San Dieguito	City of San Diego	Palomar Pomerado Health	TBD	3134002200	6315886.29912853	1942485.84638861	TBD	0.72	TBD	TBD	TBD
32	San Dieguito	City of San Diego	City Of San Diego	TBD	2720311600	6282665.53395700	1967479.49659602	TBD	0.24	TBD	TBD	TBD
33	San Dieguito	City of San Diego	State Of California	TBD	2990410700	6254200.98910851	1932683.78034755	TBD	65.53	TBD	TBD	TBD
34	San Dieguito	City of San Diego	City Of San Diego	TBD	2692410900	6285668.53200000	1941298.55814900	TBD	0.83	TBD	TBD	TBD
35	San Dieguito	City of San Diego	City Of San Diego	TBD	2727401000	6288565.36250000	1963022.52794900	TBD	0.08	TBD	TBD	TBD
36	San Dieguito	City of San Diego	San Dieguito River Valley Regional Open Space Park Joint Powers Authority	TBD	2990410800	6308379.54129026	1933621.57421741	TBD	4.74	TBD	TBD	TBD
37	San Dieguito	City of San Diego	City Of San Diego	TBD	2380330100	6277681.05512158	1975128.58641975	TBD	1.23	TBD	TBD	TBD
38	San Dieguito	City of San Diego	City Of San Diego	TBD	2380340100	6297767.24688802	1975125.90123457	TBD	0.61	TBD	TBD	TBD

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		Diego										
39	San Dieguito	City of San Diego	City Of San Diego	TBD	2701130500	6303475.81300000	1971714.03649908	TBD	0.59	TBD	TBD	TBD
40	San Dieguito	City of San Diego	City Of San Diego	TBD	2701220200	6285908.60940454	1970959.94197026	TBD	0.10	TBD	TBD	TBD
41	San Dieguito	City of San Diego	City Of San Diego	TBD	2380310100	6282748.38490900	1975024.60493827	TBD	0.43	TBD	TBD	TBD
42	San Dieguito	City of San Diego	City Of San Diego	TBD	2701080300	6257716.21552772	1971990.29168318	TBD	0.35	TBD	TBD	TBD
43	San Dieguito	City of San Diego	City Of San Diego	TBD	2700890600	6266343.81486747	1972618.17025896	TBD	0.14	TBD	TBD	TBD
44	San Dieguito	City of San Diego	San Dieguito River Park Joint Powers Authority	TBD	2990403700	6328398.80850001	1935290.81389936	TBD	11.67	TBD	TBD	TBD
45	San Dieguito	City of San Diego	City Of San Diego	TBD	6782720900	6260661.69869971	1950982.78090576	TBD	0.04	TBD	TBD	TBD
46	San Dieguito	City of San Diego	City Of San Diego	TBD	2721310700	6333363.03046656	1965328.67357213	TBD	358.23	TBD	TBD	TBD
47	San Dieguito	City of San Diego	San Dieguito River Valley Regional Open Space Park Jt Powers Authority	TBD	2990404700	6309796.63180537	1935364.84372930	TBD	11.39	TBD	TBD	TBD
48	San Dieguito	City of San Diego	City Of San Diego	TBD	2700840700	6306827.75638330	1973082.54640387	TBD	0.14	TBD	TBD	TBD
49	San Dieguito	City of San Diego	City Of San Diego	TBD	2380380100	6281254.00918300	1974773.60688293	TBD	0.76	TBD	TBD	TBD
50	San Dieguito	City of San Diego	City Of San Diego	TBD	2380320100	6253593.09939890	1975130.14853339	TBD	1.21	TBD	TBD	TBD
51	San Dieguito	City of San Diego	City Of San Diego	TBD	2720800600	6255768.30702782	1964612.88575800	TBD	0.35	TBD	TBD	TBD
52	San Dieguito	City of San Diego	City Of San Diego	TBD	2692703300	6302537.16173155	1942246.99874200	TBD	0.21	TBD	TBD	TBD
53	San Dieguito	City of San Diego	City Of San Diego	TBD	2720800500	6306071.18022019	1964464.23260600	TBD	0.44	TBD	TBD	TBD
54	San Dieguito	City of San Diego	San Dieguito River Valley Regional Open Space Park Jt Powers Authorit	TBD	2990404600	6286918.78227500	1934499.91372480	TBD	1.23	TBD	TBD	TBD
55	San Dieguito	City of San Diego	City Of San Diego	TBD	2701580300	6255422.68893703	1968639.60493827	TBD	0.38	TBD	TBD	TBD
56	San Dieguito	City of San Diego	City Of San Diego	TBD	2720340300	6288629.07311400	1967711.62968080	TBD	0.05	TBD	TBD	TBD
57	San Dieguito	City of San Diego	City Of San Diego	TBD	2720340400	6310375.42276300	1967684.10515161	TBD	0.09	TBD	TBD	TBD
58	San Dieguito	City of San Diego	City Of San Diego	TBD	2720311400	6277369.94500000	1967832.66420714	TBD	0.28	TBD	TBD	TBD

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		Diego										
59	San Dieguito	City of San Diego	San Dieguito River Park Joint Powers Authority	TBD	2990404300	6255145.21671611	1935784.39519943	TBD	1.59	TBD	TBD	TBD
60	San Dieguito	City of San Diego	San Dieguito River Park Joint Powers Authority	TBD	2983005200	6260506.23676567	1937269.58794416	TBD	2.42	TBD	TBD	TBD
61	San Dieguito	City of San Diego	City Of San Diego	TBD	2701700300	6272813.17551042	1969692.52272396	TBD	58.79	TBD	TBD	TBD
62	San Dieguito	City of San Diego	City Of San Diego	TBD	2671502600	6304136.29526127	1946806.18203989	TBD	0.68	TBD	TBD	TBD
Public Parcels Identified as Suitable for Further Assessment to Determine Feasibility of Retrofitting												
Parcels on this list have been assessed using broad assumptions necessary for computer modeling and were found to be potentially effective as an opportunity for contributing to load reduction goals. Considerable further assessment would be required before determining any of these sites to be viable retrofit. That assessment includes verifying public ownership, determining if land use agreements and financing can be established, assessing feasibility based upon further investigation of physical site constraints at a project design level, and determining that construction and necessary approvals from regulatory agencies other than the City of San Diego, can be completed within the time constraints in the Municipal Storm Water Permit that pertain to Alternative Compliance.												
63	San Dieguito	City of San Diego	City of San Diego	TBD	3022620500	N/A	N/A	TBD	13.14	TBD	TBD	Canyon Site
64	San Dieguito	City of San Diego	City of San Diego	TBD	3022610200	N/A	N/A	TBD	372.75	TBD	TBD	Canyon Site
65	San Dieguito	City of San Diego	City of San Diego Open Space Park Facilities District No 1	TBD	3002990800	N/A	N/A	TBD	11.34	TBD	TBD	Canyon Site
66	San Dieguito	City of San Diego	City of San Diego	TBD	2410603700	N/A	N/A	TBD	43.76	TBD	TBD	Canyon Site
67	San Dieguito	City of San Diego	City of San Diego	TBD	2721500400	N/A	N/A	TBD	17.97	TBD	TBD	Canyon Site
68	San Dieguito	City of San Diego	City of San Diego Open Space Park Facilities District No 1	TBD	3002990900	N/A	N/A	TBD	10.55	TBD	TBD	Canyon Site
69	San Dieguito	City of San Diego	City of San Diego Open Space Park Facilities District No 1	TBD	3001604900	N/A	N/A	TBD	26.37	TBD	TBD	Canyon Site
70	San Dieguito	City of San Diego	City of San Diego	TBD	2421001000	N/A	N/A	TBD	1,261.93	TBD	TBD	Canyon Site
71	San Dieguito	City of San Diego	City of San Diego	TBD	2410601100	N/A	N/A	TBD	18.46	TBD	TBD	Canyon Site
72	San Dieguito	City of San Diego	City of San Diego	TBD	2760310400	N/A	N/A	TBD	28.51	TBD	TBD	Canyon Site
Project Concept for Green Streets Retrofits – Quantity and Location of Suitable City Streets To-Be-Determined												
The City of San Diego is in the process of identifying potential public street locations that could feasibly be retrofitted with Green Infrastructure and provide a meaningful contribution to pollutant load reduction goals. As locations become verified for feasibility and effectiveness, funding mechanisms under an Alternate Compliance program could potentially be used to fill gaps in construction and maintenance funding necessary for the project to go forward. This is pending the ability to establish suitable legal mechanisms and verify that approvals and construction can be completed within the time constraints in the Municipal Storm Water Permit that pertain to Alternative Compliance.												
73	San Dieguito	City of San Diego	City of San Diego	TBD	N/A	N/A	N/A	TBD	4.54	TBD	TBD	Green Street TBD

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SDG-14	905.11	Solana Beach	Rancho Santa Fe	S.D. COUNTY	SDA9 STRUCTURAL BMP 22	Public	S.D. COUNTY	CALLE AMBIENTE	2654515400	1960015.197	6282919.792	Regional BMP's	STRUCTURAL BMP		404
SDG-15	905.11	Solana Beach	Rancho Santa Fe	S.D. COUNTY	SDA9 STRUCTURAL BMP 20	Public	S.D. COUNTY	SAN DIEGUITO RD	3023011000	1941340.617	6271348.312	Regional BMP's	STRUCTURAL BMP		59
SDG-16	905.11	Solana Beach	Rancho Santa Fe	SAN DIEGO	SDA9 STRUCTURAL BMP 23	Public	S.D. COUNTY	BLACK MOUNTAIN RD	6782302100	1951123.213	6294879.441	Regional BMP's	STRUCTURAL BMP		69
SDG-20	905.11	Solana Beach	Rancho Santa Fe	S.D. COUNTY	SDA9 STRUCTURAL BMP 27	Public	S.D. COUNTY	DOVE CANYON RD	6786702100	1950908.614	6297655.813	Regional BMP's	STRUCTURAL BMP		61
SDG-21	905.11	Solana Beach	Rancho Santa Fe	S.D. COUNTY	SDA9 STRUCTURAL BMP 28	Public	S.D. COUNTY	THORN MINT RD AND MESAMINT ST	6782922900	1950711.685	6299535.642	Regional BMP's	STRUCTURAL BMP		85
SDG-22	905.11	Solana Beach	Rancho Santa Fe	S.D. COUNTY	SDA9 STRUCTURAL BMP 29	Public	S.D. COUNTY	GOLDENTOP RD	6782921300	1951830.065	6299284.479	Regional BMP's	STRUCTURAL BMP		31
SDG-23	905.11	Solana Beach	Rancho Santa Fe	S.D. COUNTY	SDA9 STRUCTURAL BMP 30	Public	S.D. COUNTY	ALVA RD AND BLUESTONE RD	6783915100	1953667.102	6299377.618	Regional BMP's	STRUCTURAL BMP		146
SDG-24	905.11	Solana Beach	Rancho Santa Fe	S.D. COUNTY	SDA9 STRUCTURAL BMP 31	Public	S.D. COUNTY	RANCHO BERNARDO RD AND CAMINO SAN BERNARDO	6782921500	1952261.77	6300755.336	Regional BMP's	STRUCTURAL BMP		93
SDG-25	905.11	Solana Beach	Rancho Santa Fe	S.D. COUNTY	SDA9 STRUCTURAL BMP 32	Public	S.D. COUNTY	CAMINO SAN BERNARDO AND WILLOW CT	6782922500	1950440.333	6300646.026	Regional BMP's	STRUCTURAL BMP		134
SDG-26	905.11	Solana Beach	Rancho Santa Fe	S.D. COUNTY	SDA9 STRUCTURAL BMP 33	Public	S.D. COUNTY	CAMINO DEL NORTE	6782912600	1948352.596	6302124.792	Regional BMP's	STRUCTURAL BMP		65
SDG-27	905.11	Solana Beach	Rancho Santa Fe	S.D. COUNTY	SDA9 OPEN SPACE BMP 1	Public	COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION OF SANTA FE SUR INC	RANCHO SANTA FE FARM RD	3050504200	1936504.511	6276378.389	Regional BMP's	REGIONAL DETENTION BASIN		1903

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SDG-28	905.11	Solana Beach	Rancho Santa Fe	S.D. COUNTY	SDA9 OPEN SPACE BMP 4	Public	WELLS FARGO BANK PDS TAX SERVICES	RANCHO CIELO	2653800100	1960208.059	6277131.336	S.D. COUNTY	Regional BMP's	REGIONAL DETENTION BASIN		177
SDG-17	905.12	Solana Beach	La Jolla	S.D. COUNTY	SDA9 STRUCTURAL BMP 24	Public	S.D. COUNTY	4S RANCH PKWY	6785010400	1946580.036	6296218.478	S.D. COUNTY	Regional BMP's	STRUCTURAL BMP		95
SDG-18	905.12	Solana Beach	La Jolla	S.D. COUNTY	SDA9 STRUCTURAL BMP 25	Public	S.D. COUNTY	CAYENNE RIDGE RD, DOVE CREEK RD	3122700200	1947097.96	6298691.583	S.D. COUNTY	Regional BMP's	STRUCTURAL BMP		85
SDG-19	905.12	Solana Beach	La Jolla	S.D. COUNTY	SDA9 STRUCTURAL BMP 26	Public	S.D. COUNTY	DOVE CANYON RD	6782421500	1948145.835	6297738.591	S.D. COUNTY	Regional BMP's	STRUCTURAL BMP		63
SDG-2	905.12	Solana Beach	La Jolla	S.D. COUNTY	4S RANCH SPORTS PARK	Public/Private Partnership	S.D. COUNTY	END OF 4S RANCH PKWY	6785010400	1946254.352	6295045.99	S.D. COUNTY	Groundwater Recharge Projects	INFILTRATION VIA SPORTS FIELDS, SUBSURFACE DETENTION/INFILTRATION		166
SDG-31	905.21	Hodges	Del Dios	SAN DIEGO	SAN DIEGO RIVER NATURAL TREATMENT SYSTEM		CITY OF SAN DIEGO	SAN DIEGO RIVER-SANTA YSABEL CREEK BETWEEN THE CONFLUENCE WITH SANTA MARIA CREEK AND CLOVERDALE CREEK	2721104300	1961140.973	6307551.61	Trish Boaz	Stream or Riparian Rehabilitation	WATER SUPPLY AUGMENTATION	NUTRIENTS	

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SDG-32	905.21	Hodges	Del Dios	SAN DIEGO	SAN DIEGUITO RIVER NATURAL TREATMENT SYSTEM		CITY OF SAN DIEGO	SAN DIEGUITO RIVER-SANTA YSABEL CREEK BETWEEN THE CONFLUENCE WITH SANTA MARIA CREEK AND CLOVERDALE CREEK	2721104300	1960347.691	6308838.401	Trish Boaz	Stream or Riparian Rehabilitation	WATER SUPPLY AUGMENTATION	NUTRIENTS	
SDG-33	905.21	Hodges	Del Dios	SAN DIEGO	SAN DIEGUITO RIVER NATURAL TREATMENT SYSTEM		CITY OF SAN DIEGO	SAN DIEGUITO RIVER-SANTA YSABEL CREEK BETWEEN THE CONFLUENCE WITH SANTA MARIA CREEK AND CLOVERDALE CREEK	2721104300	1960135.07	6309572.426	Trish Boaz	Stream or Riparian Rehabilitation	WATER SUPPLY AUGMENTATION	NUTRIENTS	
SDG-34	905.21	Hodges	Del Dios	SAN DIEGO	SAN DIEGUITO RIVER NATURAL TREATMENT SYSTEM		CITY OF SAN DIEGO	SAN DIEGUITO RIVER-SANTA YSABEL CREEK BETWEEN THE CONFLUENCE WITH SANTA MARIA CREEK AND CLOVERDALE CREEK	2721104300	1959646.217	6309970.284	Trish Boaz	Stream or Riparian Rehabilitation	WATER SUPPLY AUGMENTATION	NUTRIENTS	

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						Type	Owner Information	Address	APN	Latitude	Longitude					
SDG-35	905.21	Hodges	Del Dios	SAN DIEGO	SAN DIEGO RIVER NATURAL TREATMENT SYSTEM		CITY OF SAN DIEGO	SAN DIEGO RIVER-SANTA YSABEL CREEK BETWEEN THE CONFLUENCE WITH SANTA MARIA CREEK AND CLOVERDALE CREEK	2721312200	1965484.741	6317471.915	Trish Boaz	Stream or Riparian Rehabilitation	WATER SUPPLY AUGMENTATION	NUTRIENTS	
SDG-39	905.21	Hodges	Del Dios	SAN DIEGO	SAN DIEGO RIVER NATURAL TREATMENT SYSTEM		CITY OF SAN DIEGO	SAN DIEGO RIVER-SANTA YSABEL CREEK BETWEEN THE CONFLUENCE WITH SANTA MARIA CREEK AND CLOVERDALE CREEK	2721310700	1966936.535	6311658.292	Trish Boaz	Stream or Riparian Rehabilitation	WATER SUPPLY AUGMENTATION	NUTRIENTS	
SDG-13	905.23	Hodges	Felicita	S.D. COUNTY	SDA10 BASIN OR INLINE TREATMENT T030340	Public	HIS CHURCH INTERNATIONAL MINISTRIES INC	BERNARDO AVE AND DEXTER PL	2383601400	1976375.25	6304581.539	S.D. COUNTY	Regional BMP's	BASIN OR STRUCTURAL BMP		83.6
SDG-30	905.23	Hodges	Felicita	SAN DIEGO	SAN DIEGO RIVER NATURAL TREATMENT SYSTEM		CITY OF SAN DIEGO	SAN DIEGO RIVER-SANTA YSABEL CREEK BETWEEN THE CONFLUENCE WITH SANTA MARIA CREEK AND CLOVERDALE CREEK	2721110600	1967551.114	6306979.271	Trish Boaz	Stream or Riparian Rehabilitation	WATER SUPPLY AUGMENTATION	NUTRIENTS	

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SDG-12	905.24	Hodges	Bear	S.D. COUNTY	SDA10 BASIN OR INLINE TREATMENT 020285	Public	S.D. COUNTY	BEAR VALLEY PARKWAY NORTH OF BEAR VALLEY OAKS	2370600800	1983056.44	6316165.447	S.D. COUNTY	Regional BMP's	OFFLINE BASIN OR INLINE STRUCTURAL BMP		271.3
SDG-1	905.32	San Pasqual	Las Lomas Muertas	ESCONDIDO	San Dieguito River Natural Treatment System	Private	San Dieguito River Valley Conservancy	San Dieguito River-Santa Ysabel Creek between the confluence with Santa Maria Creek and Cloverdale Creek	2411003400	1975208.14	6330646.367	Trish Boaz	Stream or Riparian Rehabilitation		Nutrients	
SDG-29	905.32	San Pasqual	Las Lomas Muertas	SAN DIEGO	SAN DIEGUITO RIVER NATURAL TREATMENT SYSTEM		CITY OF SAN DIEGO	SAN DIEGUITO RIVER-SANTA YSABEL CREEK BETWEEN THE CONFLUENCE WITH SANTA MARIA CREEK AND CLOVERDALE CREEK	2411003100	1978828.88	6326771.485	Trish Boaz	Stream or Riparian Rehabilitation	WATER SUPPLY AUGMENTATION	NUTRIENTS	
SDG-36	905.32	San Pasqual	Las Lomas Muertas	SAN DIEGO	SAN DIEGUITO RIVER NATURAL TREATMENT SYSTEM		CITY OF SAN DIEGO	SAN DIEGUITO RIVER-SANTA YSABEL CREEK BETWEEN THE CONFLUENCE WITH SANTA MARIA CREEK AND CLOVERDALE CREEK	2760210200	1973145.719	6330784.607	Trish Boaz	Stream or Riparian Rehabilitation	WATER SUPPLY AUGMENTATION	NUTRIENTS	

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						Type	Owner Information	Address	APN	Latitude	Longitude					
SDG-37	905.32	San Pasqual	Las Lomas Muertas	SAN DIEGO	SAN DIEGUITO RIVER NATURAL TREATMENT SYSTEM		CITY OF SAN DIEGO	SAN DIEGUITO RIVER-SANTA YSABEL CREEK BETWEEN THE CONFLUENCE WITH SANTA MARIA CREEK AND CLOVERDALE CREEK	2421001000	1974371.094	6338443.602	Trish Boaz	Stream or Riparian Rehabilitation	WATER SUPPLY AUGMENTATION	NUTRIENTS	
SDG-38	905.32	San Pasqual	Las Lomas Muertas	SAN DIEGO	SAN DIEGUITO RIVER NATURAL TREATMENT SYSTEM		CITY OF SAN DIEGO	SAN DIEGUITO RIVER-SANTA YSABEL CREEK BETWEEN THE CONFLUENCE WITH SANTA MARIA CREEK AND CLOVERDALE CREEK	2760310600	1973176.651	6333601.059	Trish Boaz	Stream or Riparian Rehabilitation	WATER SUPPLY AUGMENTATION	NUTRIENTS	
SDG-10	905.41	Santa Maria Valley	Ramona	S.D. COUNTY	SDA8 BASIN 060990	Public	S.D. COUNTY	ON DYE BETWEEN SERENA HILLS AND MORNINGSIDE	2851202000	1946450.027	6363312.998	S.D. COUNTY	Regional BMP's	EXTENDED DETENTION BASIN		92.5
SDG-11	905.41	Santa Maria Valley	Ramona	S.D. COUNTY	SDA8 BASIN 040930	Public	RAMONA MUNICIPAL WATER DISTRICT	NEAR INTERSECTION OF 7TH AND A	2801250900	1961601.223	6373101.291	S.D. COUNTY	Regional BMP's	EXTENDED DETENTION BASIN		59.5
SDG-3	905.41	Santa Maria Valley	Ramona	S.D. COUNTY	SDA8 HYDRODYNAMIC SEPARATOR R 041092	Public	S.D. COUNTY	NEAR INTERSECTION OF 7TH AND A	2813110100	1961226.089	6373038.439	S.D. COUNTY	Regional BMP's	HYDRODYNAMIC SEPARATOR		245.1
SDG-4	905.41	Santa Maria Valley	Ramona	S.D. COUNTY	SDA8 HYDRODYNAMIC SEPARATOR R 041298	Public	S.D. COUNTY	11TH JUST NORTH OF B	N/A	1960014.018	6371067.501	S.D. COUNTY	Regional BMP's	HYDRODYNAMIC SEPARATOR		226.4

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						Type	Owner Information	Address	APN	Latitude	Longitude	Name					
SDG-5	905.41	Santa Maria Valley	Ramona	S.D. COUNTY	SDA8 BASIN 052730	Public	RAMONA UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT	WEST OF INTERSECTION OF SAN VICENTE/BAR GER	2822820500	1955254.267	6372210.061	S.D. COUNTY	Regional BMP's	EXTENDED DETENTION BASIN		384.6	
SDG-6	905.41	Santa Maria Valley	Ramona	S.D. COUNTY	SDA8 BASIN 040360	Public	BELL JUDY E	SOUTH OF INTERSECTION OF PILE AND PAMO	2792000700	1968894.219	6374973.934	S.D. COUNTY	Regional BMP's	EXTENDED DETENTION BASIN		500.1	
SDG-7	905.41	Santa Maria Valley	Ramona	S.D. COUNTY	SDA8 BASIN 040730	Public	RAMONA MUNICIPAL WATER DISTRICT	ON ASH, JUST EAST OF ASHELM INTERSECTION	2801250900	1965380.203	6375423.247	S.D. COUNTY	Regional BMP's	EXTENDED DETENTION BASIN		446.1	
SDG-8	905.41	Santa Maria Valley	Ramona	S.D. COUNTY	SDA8 BASIN 041440	Public	BURTON DAVID C, BURTON PAUL T, BURTON DOUGLAS M	ON OLIVE, JUST EAST OF OLIVE/PINE INTERSECTION	2810651700	1961709.408	6370746.493	S.D. COUNTY	Regional BMP's	EXTENDED DETENTION BASIN		301.2	
SDG-9	905.41	Santa Maria Valley	Ramona	S.D. COUNTY	SDA8 BASIN 061550	Public	S.D. COUNTY	NW OF THE INTERSECTION OF HWY 67 AND HIGHLAND VALLEY	2830220300	1949956.613	6359261.273	S.D. COUNTY	Regional BMP's	EXTENDED DETENTION BASIN		150.1	

City of Escondido Candidate Project List

Project Identifier	Watershed Management Area	Hydrologic Area (HA)	Hydrologic Subarea (HSA)	Jurisdiction	Project Name	Ownership		Project Location		Project Origination/ Originator	Project Category	Specific Project Type	Project Size & Parameters				Other Notes
						Type	Owner Information	Address	APN				Contributing Drainage Area (acres)	Parcel Size (acres)	Project Footprint (acres)	Parameters (with units as necessary)	
ESC - SD1	San Dieguito River	Hodges	N/A	N/A	Trash Enclosure Retrofits	N/A	N/A	Various locations in Escondido	Various	City of Escondido	Retrofitting existing infrastructure	NA	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	Retrofit trash management areas on publicly-owned land (including properties leased to businesses) to prevent rainwater exposure to trash.
ESC - SD2	San Dieguito River	N/A	N/A	N/A	Centre City Parkway Improvements	Public	City of Escondido	N/A	Various	City of Escondido	Retrofitting existing infrastructure	Green Streets	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	Centre City Parkway will be evaluated for a green streets project that will facilitate runoff infiltration/treatment, and use California-friendly landscaping to reduce water and turf use. If feasible in this watershed, then the project referenced here will be used for implementation.
ESC - SD3	San Dieguito River	Hodges	Del Dios[905.21]	ESCONDIDO	Kit Carson Park	Public	City of Escondido	3333 Bear Valley Parkway	Various	City of Escondido	Retrofitting existing infrastructure	Green Streets	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	There are various locations around this park that could be retrofitted to treat runoff before it discharges into nearby creeks/waterbodies.
ESC - SD4	San Dieguito River	Hodges	Del Dios[905.21]	ESCONDIDO	Kit Carson Park	Public	City of Escondido	3333 Bear Valley Parkway	Various	City of Escondido	Stream or riparian area rehabilitation	NA	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	There may be potential for additional habitat restoration in the ponds and wetlands at the park.
ESC - SD5	San Dieguito River	Hodges	N/A	N/A	Various locations	Public-private partnership	City of Escondido	N/A	Various	City of Escondido	Retrofitting existing infrastructure	LID	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	Identify properties that could be retrofitted with BMPs to improve water quality. Priority will be given to areas with large impervious area (e.g., substantial parking lots).

City of Escondido Candidate Project List

Project Identifier	Watershed Management Area	Hydrologic Area (HA)	Hydrologic Subarea (HSA)	Jurisdiction	Project Name	Ownership		Project Location		Project Origination/		Project Category	Specific Project Type	Project Size & Parameters				Other Notes
						Type	Owner Information	Address	APN	Name				Contributing Drainage Area (acres)	Parcel Size (acres)	Project Footprint (acres)	Parameters (with units as necessary)	
ESC - SD6	San Dieguito River	Hodges	N/A	ESCONDIDO	Various locations	Public	City of Escondido	N/A	Various	City of Escondido		Retrofitting existing infrastructure	LID	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	Retrofit landscaped areas with BMP's and California-friendly landscaping.
ESC - SD7	San Dieguito River	Hodges	Felicitia[905.23]	ESCONDIDO	Various locations	Public-private partnership	City of Escondido	N/A	Various	City of Escondido		Stream or riparian area rehabilitation	Invasives removal	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	Removal of invasives from creeks.
ESC - SD8	San Dieguito River	Hodges	Del Dios[905.21]	ESCONDIDO	Various locations	Public-private partnership	City of Escondido	N/A	Various	City of Escondido		Stream or riparian area rehabilitation	Invasives removal	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	Removal of invasives from creeks
ESC - SD9	San Dieguito River	Hodges	Bear[905.24]	ESCONDIDO	Various locations	Public-private partnership	City of Escondido	N/A	Various	City of Escondido		Stream or riparian area rehabilitation	Invasives removal	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	Removal of invasives from creeks

City of Del Mar Candidate Project List

Project Identifier	Hydrologic Area (HA)	Hydrologic Subarea (HSA)	Jurisdiction	Project Name	Ownership		Project Location				Project Origination/ Originator		Project Category	Specific Project Type	Potential Pollutant	Project Size & Parameters			Project Other Timeline/Notes	Project Originating Report	E-Mail	Phone	Contact Address
					Type	Owner Information	Address	APN	Latitude	Longitude	Name	Contact Information				Contributing Drainage Area (acres)	Parcel Size (acres)	Project Footprint (acres)					
TBD	905.1	905.11	City of Del Mar	Varies	Public or Public/Private Partnership	Varies	TBD	TBD	TBD	TBD	TBD	TBD	Retrofitting existing infrastructure	LID/Green Streets/ Source Control	Multiple	TBD	TBD	TBD	TBD	TBD	TBD	TBD	TBD
TBD	905.1	905.11	City of Del Mar	Varies	Public or Public/Private Partnership	Varies	TBD	TBD	TBD	TBD	TBD	TBD	Retrofitting existing infrastructure	Stormwater Retention/ Treatment	Multiple	TBD	TBD	TBD	TBD	TBD	TBD	TBD	TBD
TBD	905.1	905.11	City of Del Mar	Varies	Public or Public/Private Partnership	Varies	TBD	TBD	TBD	TBD	TBD	TBD	Regional BMPs	Wetland Rehabilitation/ Enhancement/ Restoration	Multiple	TBD	TBD	TBD	TBD	TBD	TBD	TBD	TBD
TBD	905.1	905.11	City of Del Mar	Varies	Public or Public/Private Partnership	Varies	TBD	TBD	TBD	TBD	TBD	TBD	Floodplain Preservation	-	Multiple	TBD	TBD	TBD	TBD	TBD	TBD	TBD	TBD

NOTE: Candidate projects listing does not commit Responsible Agencies to developing or implementing an Offsite Alternative Compliance Program; or commit to the planning, design or construction of the projects on the list

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N.1 Receiving Water Monitoring

N.1.1 Long-Term Dry Weather Receiving Water Monitoring (Permit Prov. D.1.c)

Overview

Objectives

- ❖ Determine whether the conditions in the receiving water during dry weather are protective or likely protective of beneficial uses
- ❖ Determine the extent and magnitude of the current or potential dry weather receiving water problems
- ❖ Evaluate whether conditions in the receiving water during dry weather are improving or declining.

Sampling Locations

**Table N-1
Dry Weather Receiving Water Monitoring Station**

Station Name	Waterbody	Subwatershed	Latitude	Longitude
SDC-MLS	San Dieguito River	San Dieguito River Below Lake Hodges	32.99908	-117.20560

Frequency of Events

- ❖ Water Quality Sampling Events—Three During Permit Term
 - Event 1—During dry season (May 1—Sep. 30)
 - Event 2—During wet season (Oct. 1—Apr. 30)¹
 - Event 3—At-large dry weather event
- ❖ Bioassessment Event – One During Permit Term
- ❖ Hydromodification Event – One During Permit Term

¹ Dry weather sample must be preceded by ≥72 hrs antecedent dry period following rainfall event of >0.1" and occur after the first wet event of the season

Monitoring Methods Reference

- ❖ Transitional Receiving Water Monitoring Plan (2013-2015)
(www.projectcleanwater.org)
- ❖ Receiving Water Monitoring Plan (2015-2018) (www.projectcleanwater.org)

Sample Collection (Shown in Figures N-1 through N-5)

- ❖ Field Observations
- ❖ Flow-Weighted Composites
- ❖ Water Grab Samples
- ❖ Bioassessment Monitoring
- ❖ Hydromodification Monitoring

Sample Analysis

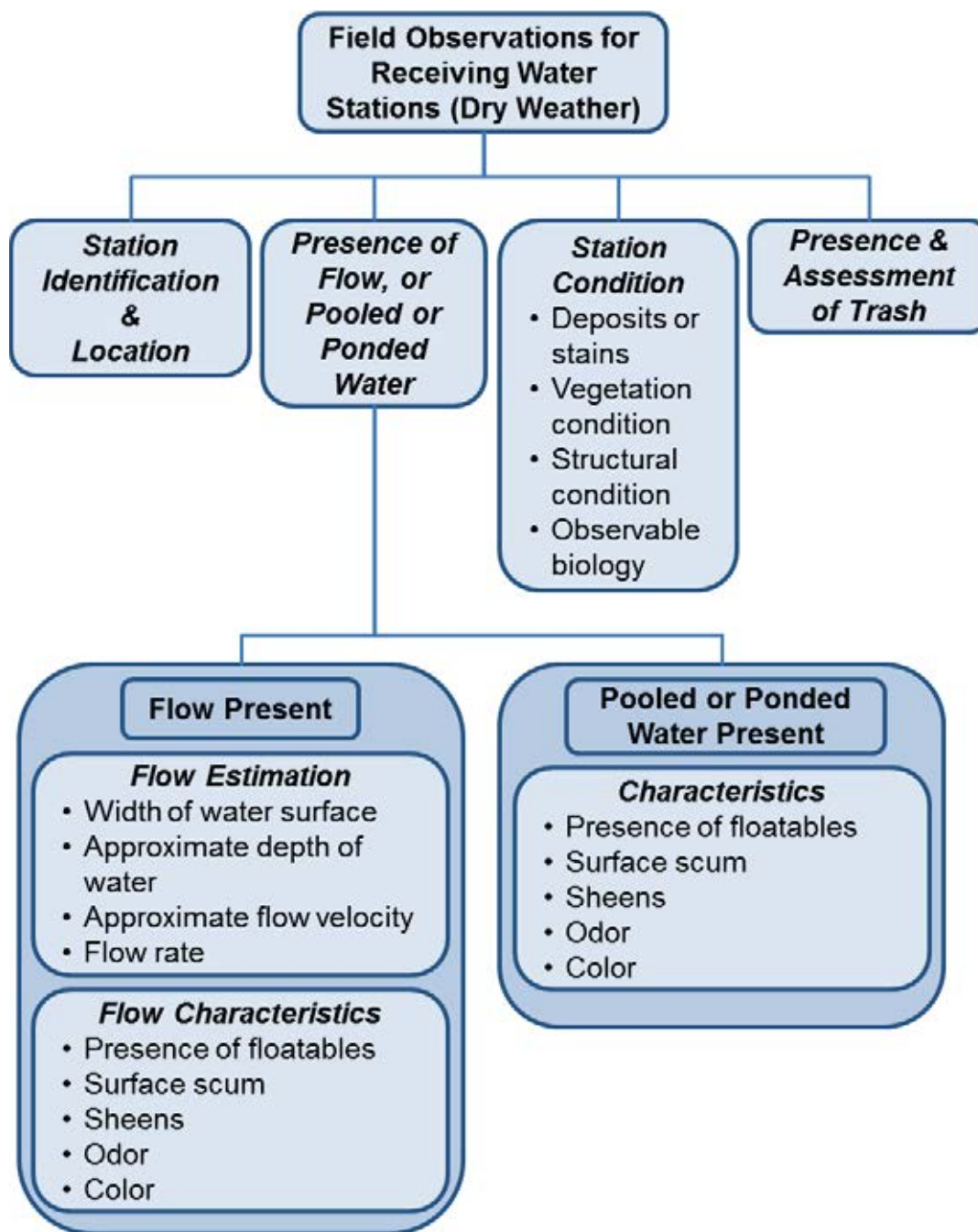


Figure N-1
Dry Weather Receiving Water Field Observations

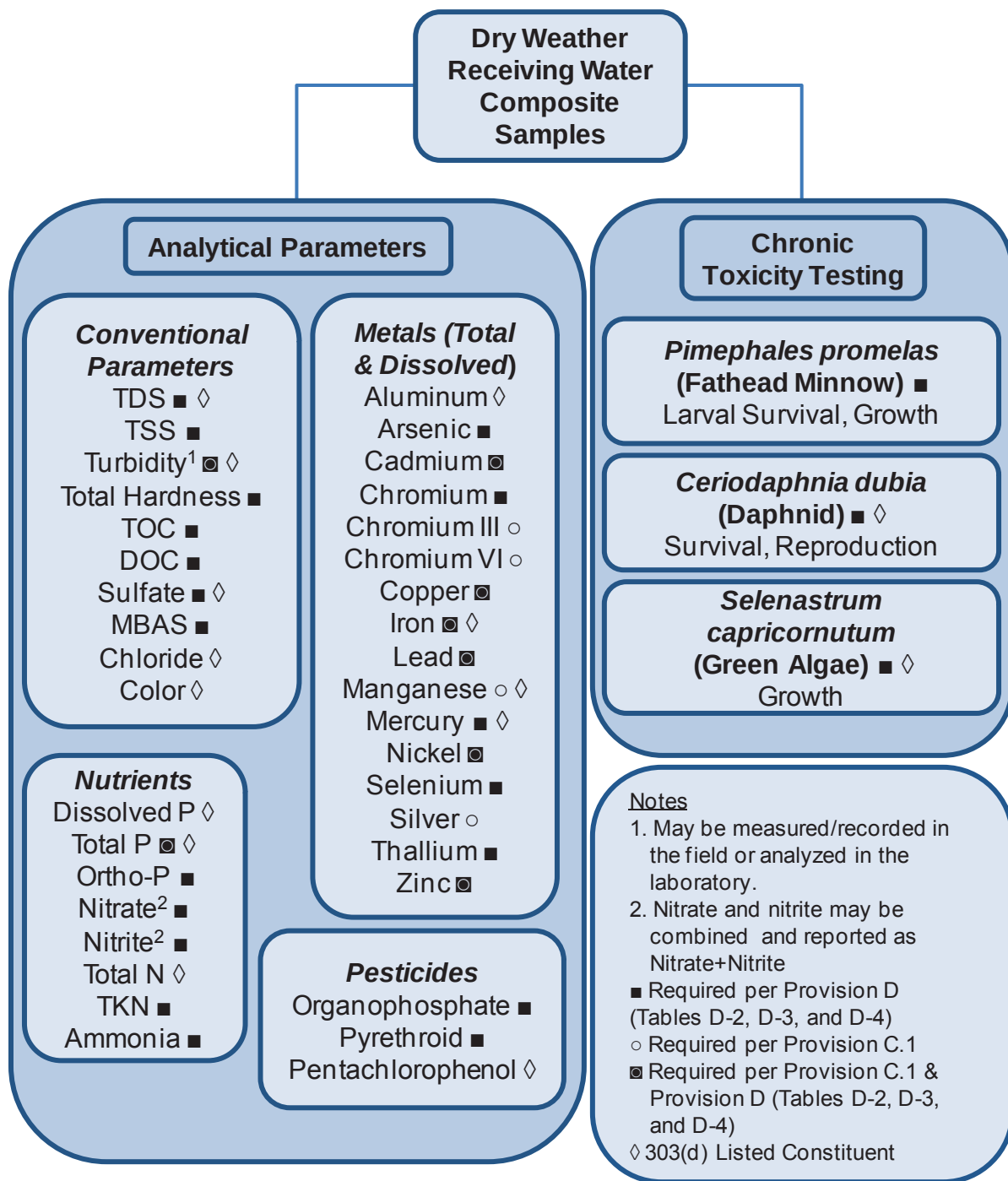


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Dry Weather Receiving Water Monitoring Composite Samples

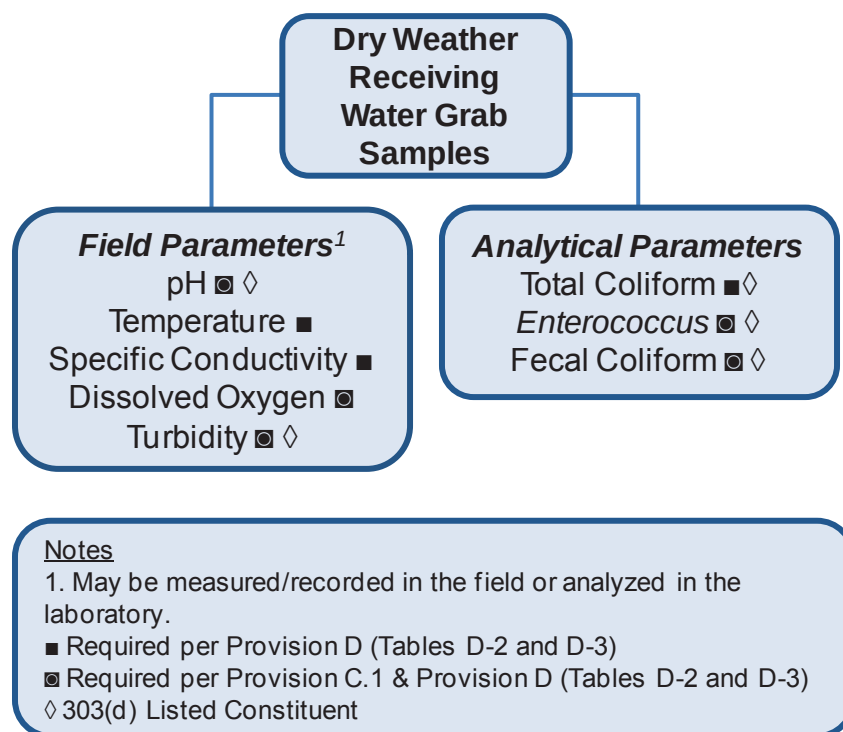


Figure N-3
Dry Weather Receiving Water Monitoring Grab Samples

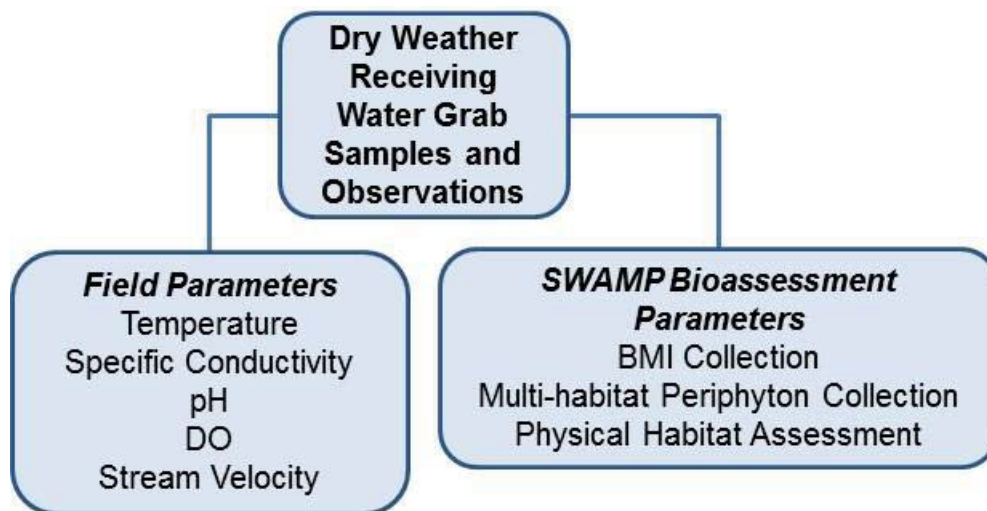


Figure N-4
Dry Weather Receiving Water Bioassessment Monitoring

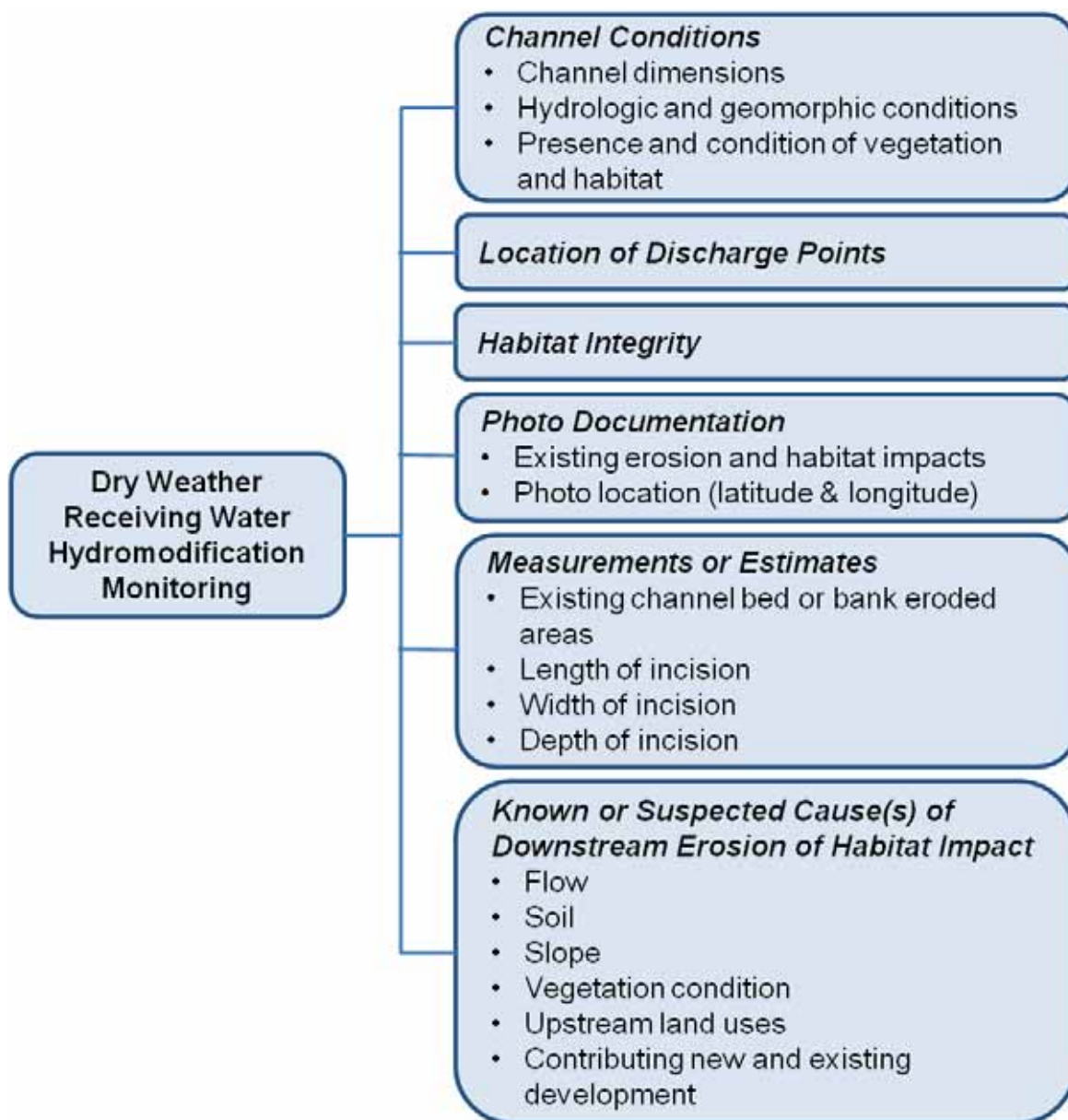


Figure N-5
Dry Weather Receiving Water Hydromodification Monitoring

N.1.2 Long-Term Wet Weather Receiving Water Monitoring (Permit Prov. D.1.d)

Overview

Objectives

- ❖ Determine whether the conditions in the receiving water during wet weather are protective or likely protective of beneficial uses
- ❖ Determine the extent and magnitude of the current or potential wet weather receiving water problems
- ❖ Evaluate whether conditions in the receiving water during wet weather are improving or declining.

Sampling Location

Table N-2
Wet Weather Receiving Water Monitoring Stations

Station Name	Waterbody	Subwatershed	Latitude	Longitude
SDC-MLS	San Dieguito River	San Dieguito River Below Lake Hodges	32.99908	-117.20560

Water Quality Sampling Events—Three During Permit Term

- ❖ Event 1—First wet weather event of wet season (Oct. 1—Apr. 30)
- ❖ Event 2—Event occurring after February 1
- ❖ Event 3—At-large wet weather event

Monitoring Methods Reference

- ❖ Transitional Receiving Water Monitoring Plan (2013-2015) (www.projectcleanwater.org)
- ❖ Receiving Water Monitoring Plan (2015-2018) (www.projectcleanwater.org)

Sample Collection (Shown in Figures N-6 through N-8)

- ❖ Field Observations
- ❖ Flow-Weighted Composites
- ❖ Grab Samples

Sample Analysis

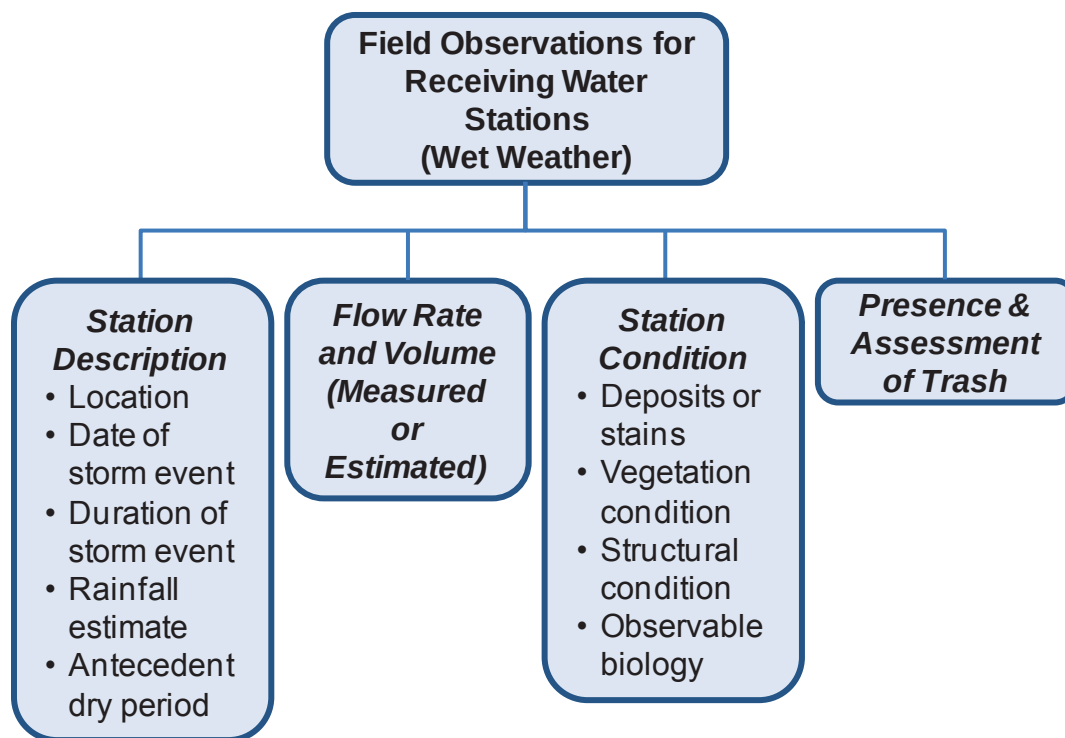
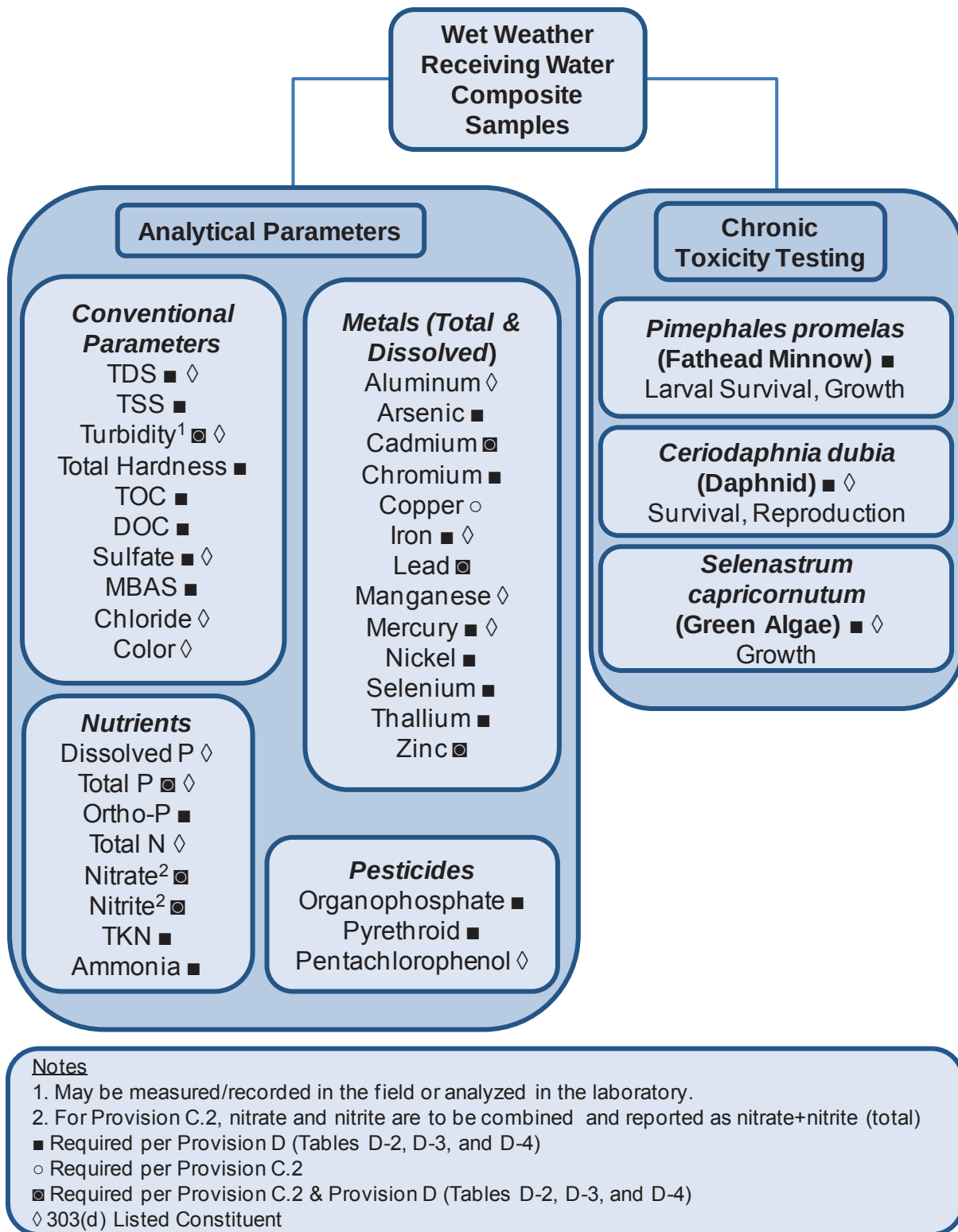


Figure N-6
Wet Weather Receiving Water Field Observations



Notes

- May be measured/recorded in the field or analyzed in the laboratory.
 - For Provision C.2, nitrate and nitrite are to be combined and reported as nitrate+nitrite (total)
- Required per Provision D (Tables D-2, D-3, and D-4)
 - Required per Provision C.2
 - Required per Provision C.2 & Provision D (Tables D-2, D-3, and D-4)
 - ◇ 303(d) Listed Constituent

Figure N-7
Wet Weather Receiving Water Monitoring Composite Samples

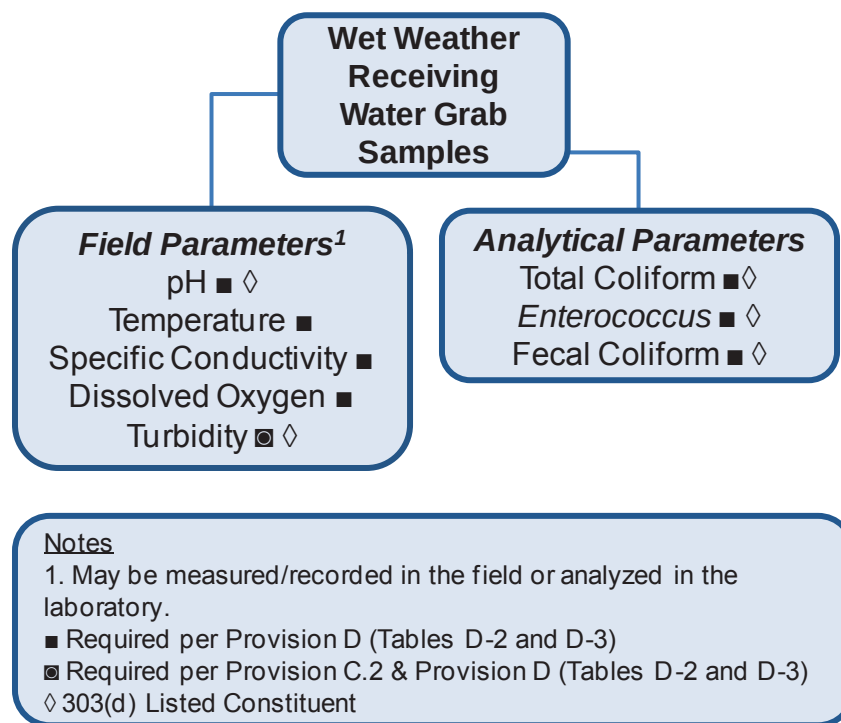


Figure N-8
Wet Weather Receiving Water Monitoring Grab Samples

N.1.3 Southern California Bight Regional Monitoring (Permit Prov. D.1.e.(1))

Overview

Objectives

- ❖ Evaluate the extent and magnitude of direct impact from sediment contaminants
- ❖ Determine how the extent and magnitude of environmental impact varies by habitat
- ❖ Evaluate the trend, in terms of extent and magnitude, of direct impacts from sediment contaminants

Sampling Location

Table N-3
San Dieguito River WMA Bight '13 Monitoring Stations

Waterbody	Site ID	Latitude	Longitude	Sample Depth
San Dieguito Lagoon	8179	32.9661	-117.2525	1.0
	8180	32.9664	-117.2579	1.0
	8187	32.9708	-117.2582	1.0

Sampling Program

- ❖ Sampling of 397 sites in the Southern California Bight
- ❖ Stratified random site selection from 11 sediment subpopulations as shown in Figure N-9
- ❖ Each site sampled once between July 1 and September 30, 2013

Monitoring Methods Reference

- ❖ Bight '13 Contaminant Impact Assessment Work Plan (www.projectcleanwater.org)
- ❖ Bight '13 Sediment Quality 2014 Sampling and Analysis Plan for Follow-up Investigations (www.projectcleanwater.org)

Sample Collection (Shown in Figures N-10 through N-13)

- ❖ Sediment sampling indicator types
- ❖ Contaminant exposure in sediments and from marine debris
- ❖ Biological response

- ❖ Sediment habitat condition
- ❖ Bioaccumulation monitoring

Planned Bight '13 Special Studies

- ❖ Analysis of Contaminants of Emerging Concern in Sediment
- ❖ Bioanalytical Screening of Sediment Extracts
- ❖ Sediment Toxicity Identification Evaluation in Embayments
- ❖ Gene Microarray Analysis of Sediment Toxicity Samples
- ❖ Alternative Toxicity Test Species Comparison
- ❖ In situ Toxicity Testing Using the SEA Ring
- ❖ Effects of Macrobenthic Preservation Techniques on Efficacy of Molecular and Morphological Taxonomy
- ❖ Adaptation to Hypoxic, High CO₂ Environments—Phenotypic Plasticity in Echinoderms

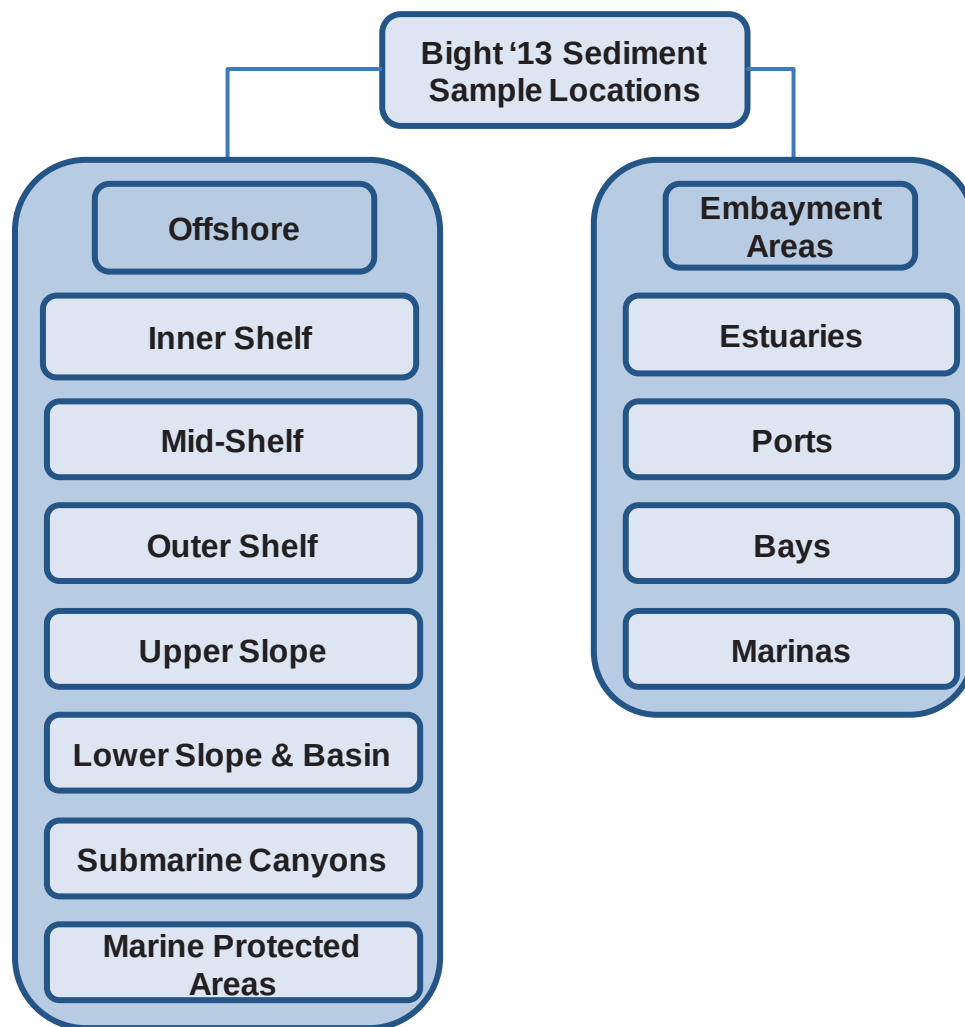


Figure N-9
Bight '13 Sediment Subpopulation Sampling Locations

Sample Analysis

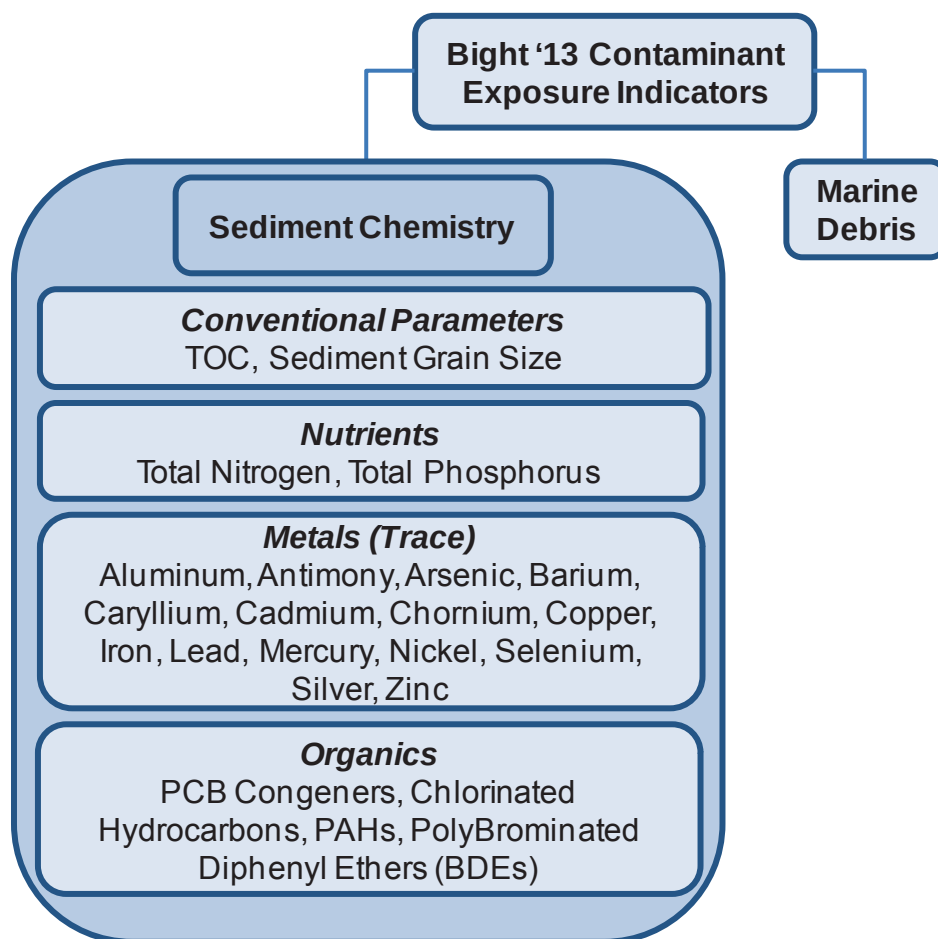


Figure N-10
Bight '13 Sediment Indicators of Contaminant Exposure

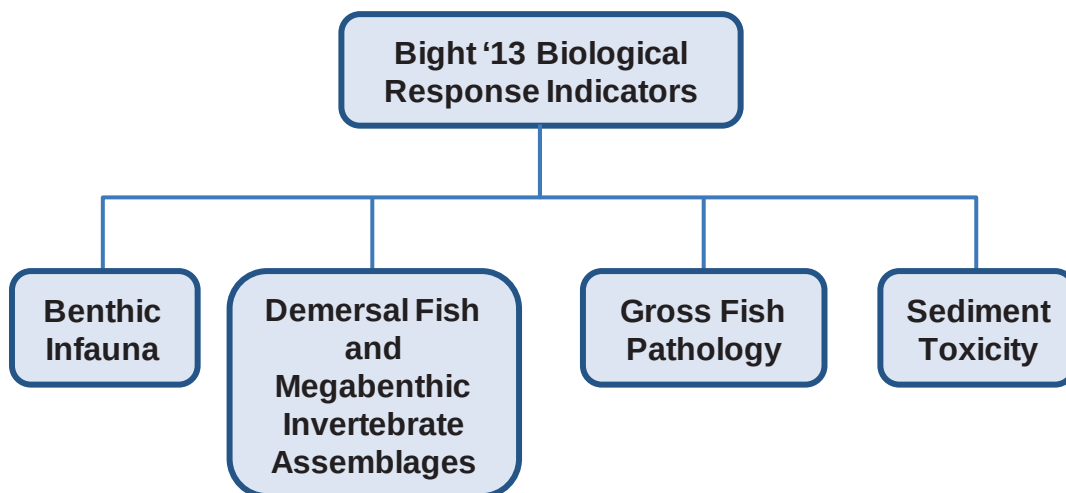


Figure N-11
Bight '13 Sediment Indicators of Biological Response

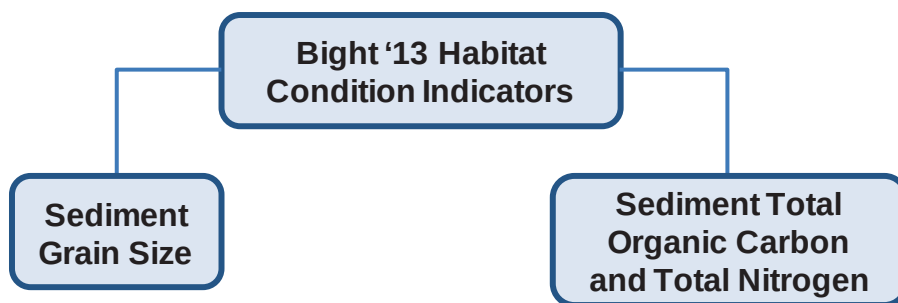


Figure N-12
Bight '13 Sediment Indicators of Habitat Condition

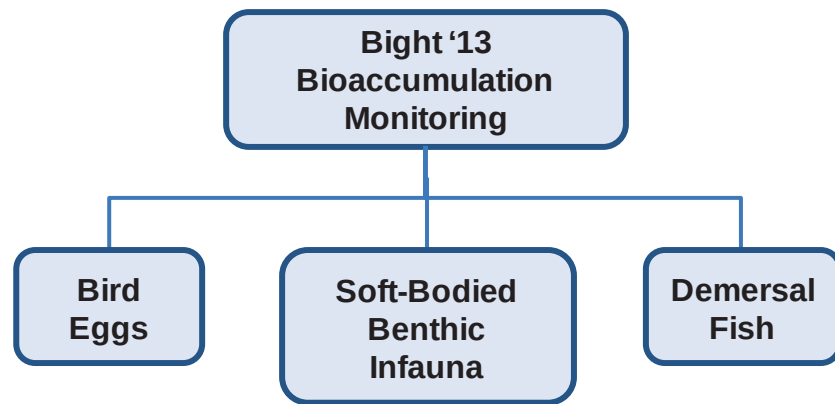


Figure N-13
Bight '13 Bioaccumulation Monitoring Target Organisms

N.1.4 Storm Water Monitoring Coalition Regional Monitoring (Permit Prov. D.1.e.(1))

Overview

Objectives

- ❖ Determine whether the conditions in the receiving water are protective or likely protective of beneficial uses on a regional scale
- ❖ Determine the extent and magnitude of the current or potential receiving water problems

Sampling Location

Table N-4
2013-2014 Storm Water Monitoring Coalition Bioassessment Monitoring Locations

SMC Region	Stream	Station Identifier	Latitude	Longitude
Central San Diego	Black Canyon Creek	905BCC	33.13086	-116.79575

- ❖ Sites presented are from 2013-2014 monitoring year. Additional locations may be selected in future monitoring years.

2013-2014 Sampling Program

- ❖ Bioassessment monitoring of non-perennial streams and trend sites in Southern California

2015-2019 Sampling Program

- ❖ Responsible Agencies will continue to participate in bioassessments. Sites will be determined

Other Proposed Projects:

- ❖ Twenty-one (21) proposed projects over five years (2014-2019) within four study categories
- ❖ Responsible Agencies have not committed to participate in any of these projects at this time

Monitoring Methods Reference

- ❖ SCCWRP Regional Watershed Monitoring Program – Proposal for 2014 Sampling (available upon request)
- ❖ Southern California Stormwater Monitoring Coalition, Bioassessment Quality Assurance Project Plan (www.projectcleanwater.org)
- ❖ Southern California Stormwater Monitoring Coalition 2014 Research Agenda (http://www.socalsmc.org/Docs/828_SMC2014ResearchAgenda.pdf)
- ❖ *Other methods to be determined* as projects are implemented. Project implementation based on collective need and availability of funding

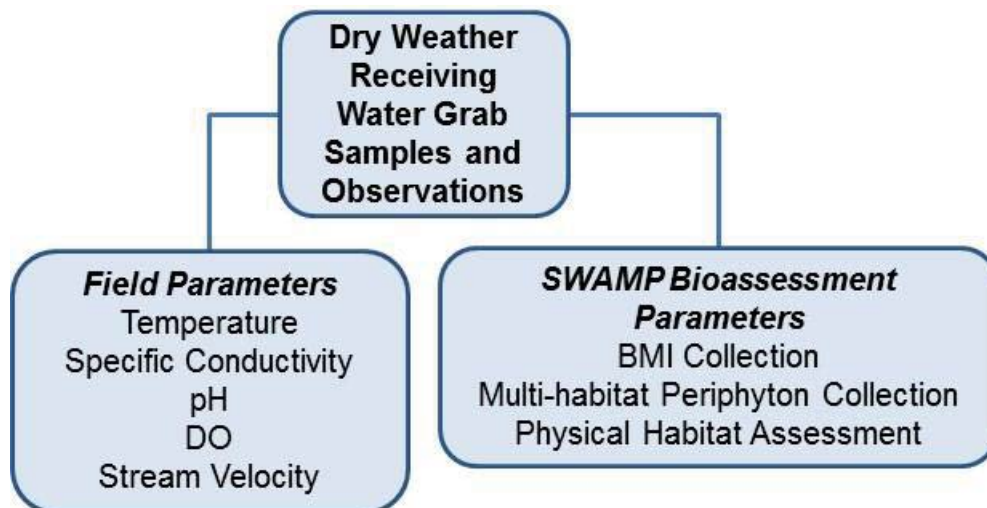


Figure N-14
2013-2014 Storm Water Monitoring Coalition Bioassessment Monitoring

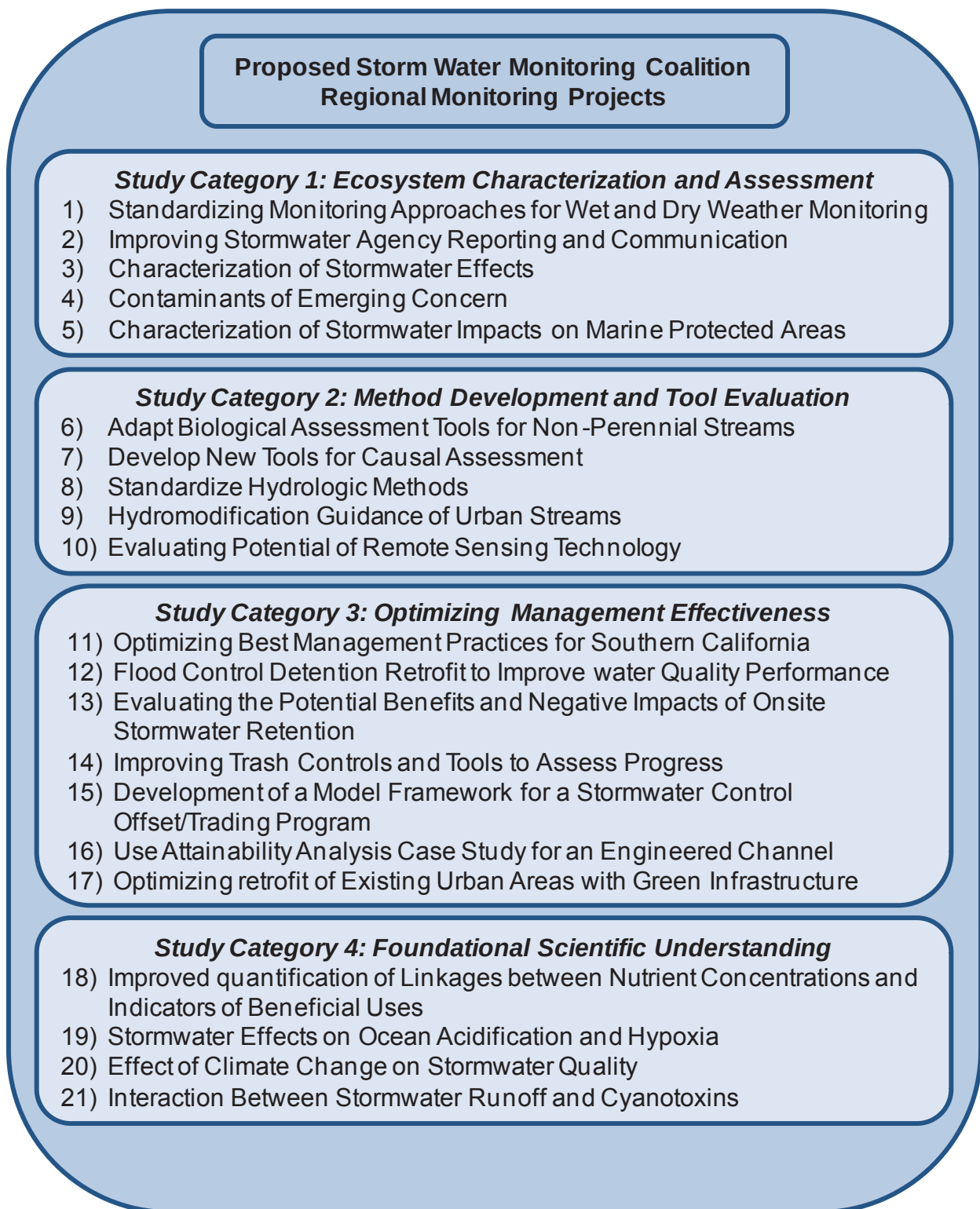


Figure N-15
Storm Water Monitoring Coalition Regional Monitoring Projects
(Proposed Implementation 2014-2019)

N.1.5 Hydromodification Management Plan Monitoring

Overview

Objectives

- ❖ Assess the effectiveness of the Hydromodification Management Plan (HMP) in managing increases in runoff discharge rates and duration from all Priority Development Projects, where such increased rates and durations are likely to cause increased erosion of channel beds and banks, sediment pollutant generation, or other impacts to beneficial uses and stream habitat due to increased erosive forces.

Monitoring Location

- ❖ Nine (9) monitoring locations in San Diego County, including
 - o Three (3) HIGH susceptibility Development sites
 - o Two (2) HIGH susceptibility Reference sites
 - o Two (2) MEDIUM susceptibility Reference sites
 - o One (1) HIGH susceptibility Urban site
 - o One (1) MEDIUM susceptibility Urban site

Monitoring Methods Reference

- ❖ San Diego HMP Revised Monitoring Plan (www.projectcleanwater.org)

Monitoring Activities

- ❖ Rain gauge analysis
- ❖ Stream gauge analysis
- ❖ Channel assessments
- ❖ Sediment transport analysis
- ❖ Flow duration analysis

N.1.6 Sediment Quality Monitoring (Permit Prov. D.1.e.(2))

Overview

Objectives

- ❖ Evaluate the condition of sediments in enclosed bays or estuaries with respect to the statewide sediment quality objectives

Sampling Locations

- ❖ Conducted as part of Bight '13. See Section N.1.3 for sampling location details.

Sampling Program

- ❖ Sediment monitoring in enclosed bays and estuaries per State Sediment Control Plan (www.projectcleanwater.org)
- ❖ Each site sampled at least twice between June and September during the Permit cycle².

Monitoring Methods Reference

- ❖ State Sediment Control Plan Section VII.D (Receiving Water Limits Monitoring Frequency (www.projectcleanwater.org))
- ❖ State Sediment Control Plan Section VII.E (Sediment Monitoring) (www.projectcleanwater.org)
- ❖ Sediment Quality Monitoring Plan (www.projectcleanwater.org)
- ❖ Sediment Quality Monitoring Quality Assurance Project Plan (www.projectcleanwater.org)

Sample Collection

Sediment Quality Objectives, Multiple Lines of Evidence Approach

- ❖ Chemistry
- ❖ Toxicity
- ❖ Benthic Community Condition

² Monitoring may be reduced to a frequency of once per Permit cycle if station has been classified as unimpacted or likely unimpacted using a Multiple Line of Evidence approach

Sample Analysis

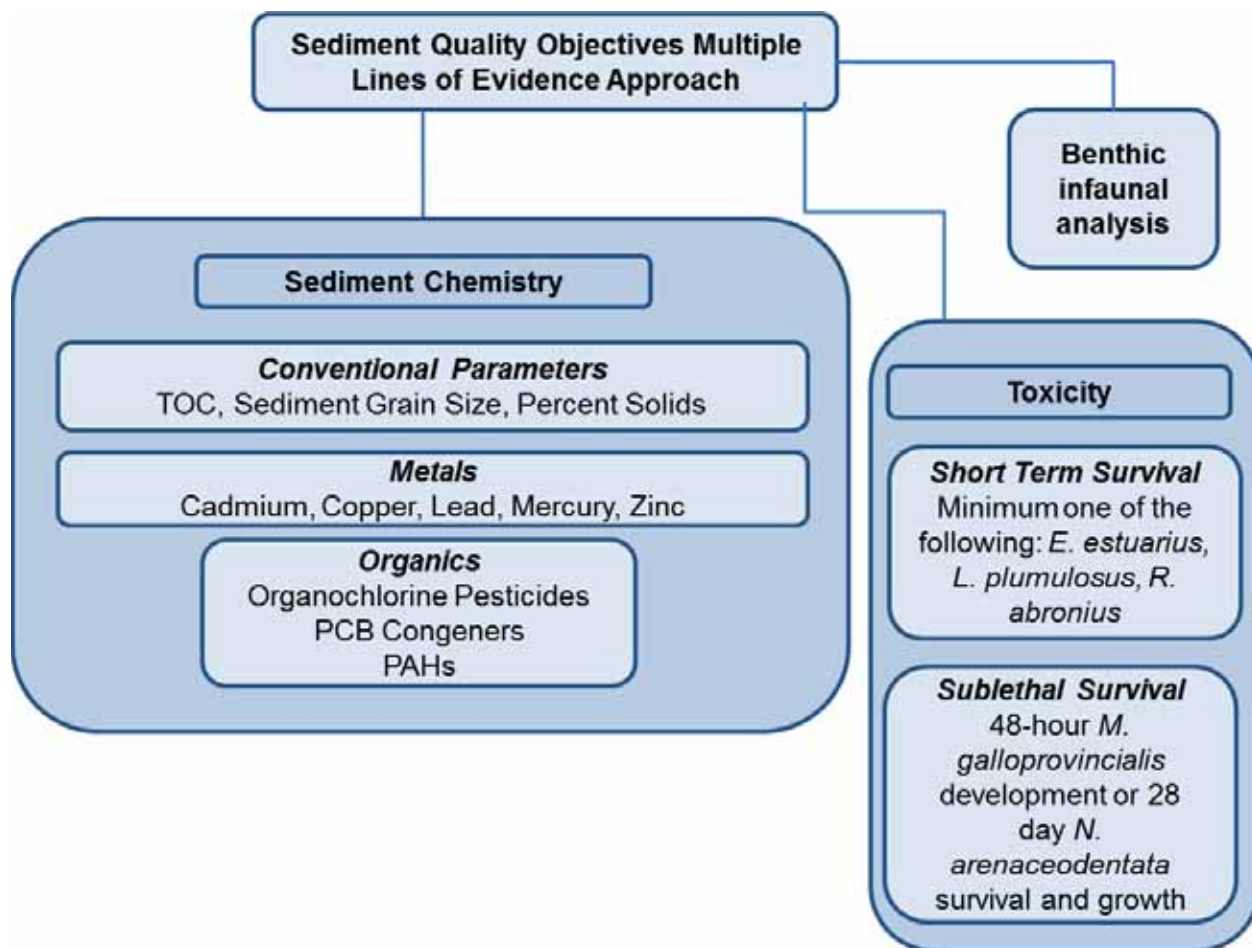


Figure N-16
Sediment Quality Indicators

N.1.7 Bacteria TMDL Monitoring (Permit Attachment E)

Overview

Objectives

- ❖ Determine whether the TMDL numeric targets for bacteria indicators are being met at the compliance monitoring locations
- ❖ Evaluate whether bacteria levels are improving at the compliance monitoring locations

Sampling Locations

Table N-5
Bacteria TMDL Monitoring Location

Site ID	Site Name	Site Type	Latitude	Longitude
EH-380	San Dieguito Lagoon Mouth	Pacific Ocean Shoreline	32.975	-117.271

Monitoring Methods Reference

- ❖ San Dieguito River Bacteria TMDL Monitoring Plan (www.projectcleanwater.org)

Sample Collection

Monitoring Program

- ❖ Dry weather monitoring to overlap with the AB411 Monitoring Program during AB411 season, when feasible
 - o Weekly samples from April 1 through October 31
 - o Monthly samples from November 1 through March 30
- ❖ Wet weather monitoring during three (3) storm events per wet season, spread throughout the wet season as follows, to the maximum extent practicable:
 - o Storm Event 1 (October to November)
 - o Storm Event 2 (December to January)
 - o Storm Event 3 (February to April)

N.2 MS4 Outfall Discharge Monitoring

N.2.1 Dry Weather MS4 Outfall Discharge Monitoring (Permit Prov. D.2.b.(1))

Overview

Objectives

- ❖ Identify non-storm water and illicit discharges within jurisdiction per Provision E.2.c
- ❖ Determine which discharges are transient vs. persistent flows
- ❖ Prioritize persistent dry weather MS4 discharges to investigate/eliminate per Provision E.2.d

Sampling Locations

- ❖ The outfalls below will be field screened following an antecedent dry period of ≥72 hours following a rainfall event >0.1"

Table N-6
MS4 Outfalls for Field Screening

Jurisdiction	Number of MS4 Outfalls for Field Screening ^{(a)(b)}
City of Del Mar	6 (5) ^{(c)(d)}
City of Escondido	3 (3) ^(d)
City of Poway	12 (15) ^(d)
City of San Diego	42 (42) ^(e)
City of Solana Beach	3 (3) ^(d)
County of San Diego	16 (20) ^(d)

Notes:

- (a) Antecedent dry period of > 72 hours following rainfall event >0.1" required prior to field screening
- (b) The total number of outfalls in each Jurisdiction is provided in parentheses.
- (c) The City of Del Mar has identified five major outfalls in the San Dieguito River WMA and will also include an additional non-major outfall.
- (d) For Copermittees with fewer than 125 major outfalls in the WMA, 80% of major outfalls must be screened twice per year. The total number of outfalls in each Jurisdiction is provided in parentheses.
- (e) For Copermittees with more than 500 outfalls in multiple WMAs, at least 500 must be screened at least once annually. The City of San Diego has identified 501 outfalls. It is assumed they will screen all of them once annually.

Sample Analysis

- ❖ Field Screening Observations (Shown in Figure N-17)
- ❖ Based on Results of Visual Screening
 - Identify persistent non-storm water discharges
 - Prioritize persistent non-storm water discharges to investigate/eliminate per provision E.2.d

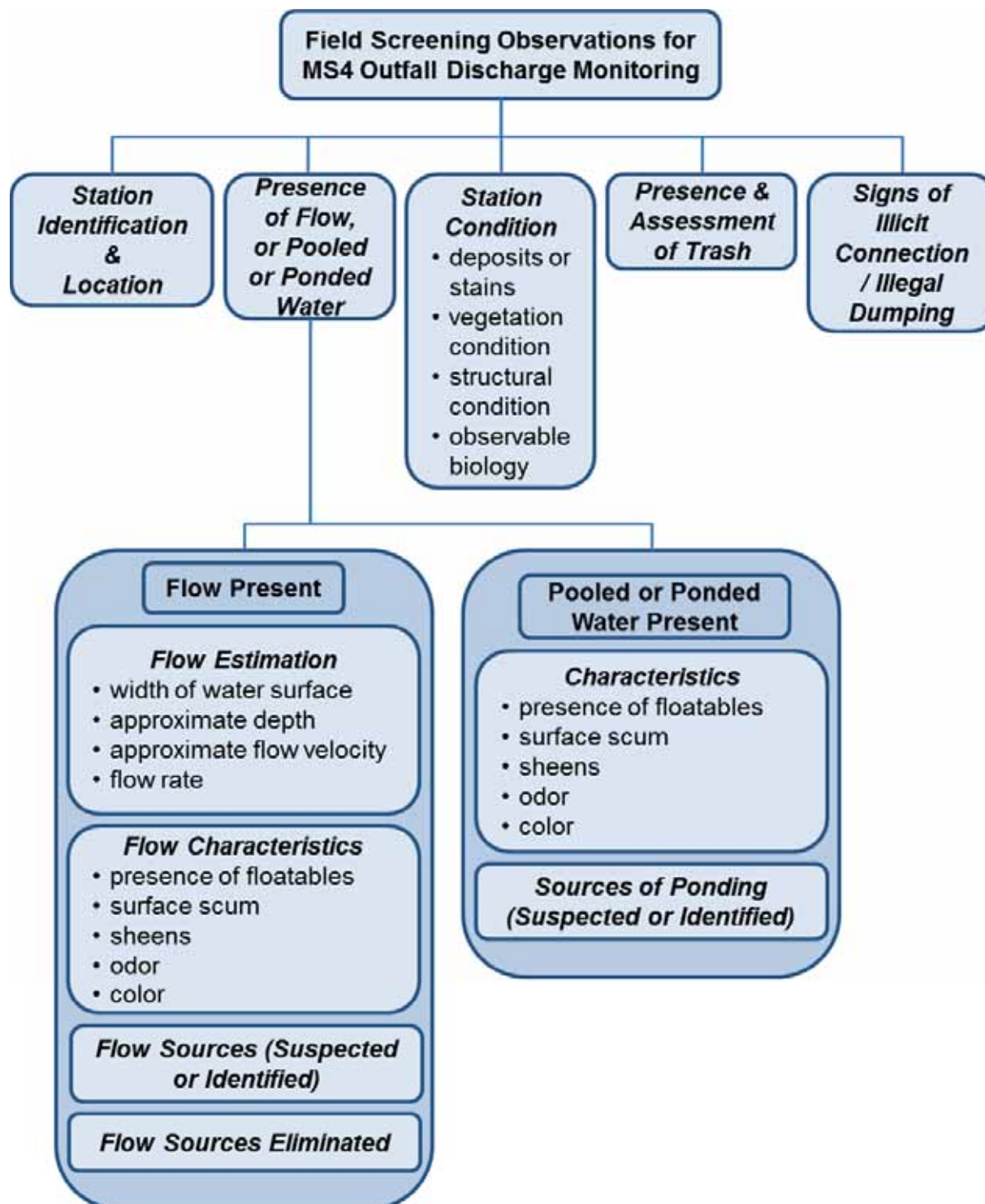


Figure N-17
Field Screening Visual Observations for MS4 Outfall Discharge Monitoring Stations

N.2.2 Non-Storm Water Persistent Flow MS4 Outfall Discharge Monitoring (Permit Prov. D.2.b.(2))

Overview

Objectives

- ❖ Determine which persistent non-storm water discharges contain concentrations of pollutants below non-storm water action levels (NALs) (Permit Provision C.1)
- ❖ Determine the relative contribution of MS4 outfalls to priority water quality conditions during dry weather
- ❖ Investigate the sources of persistent non-storm water flows

Sampling Locations

- ❖ The persistently flowing outfalls below will be monitored following an antecedent dry period of ≥72 hours following a rainfall event >0.1"

Table N-7
MS4 Outfalls for Dry Weather Monitoring

Jurisdiction	MS4 Outfalls for Dry Weather Monitoring
City of Del Mar	2 (S-06, S-07)
City of Escondido	1 (HDG_102)
City of Poway	2 (140, 54)
City of San Diego	5 (DW0284, DW0317, DW0333, DW0033, DW0636)
City of Solana Beach	0 ^(a)
County of San Diego	3 (MS4-SDG-074, MS4-SDG-080, MS4-SDG-115)

Notes:

(a) All persistently flowing outfalls have been diverted to the sanitary sewer.

Number of Sampling Events

- ❖ Two events/year during dry weather conditions

Monitoring Methods Reference

- ❖ San Dieguito River WMA MS4 Outfall Monitoring Plan (www.projectcleanwater.org)

Prepare Map

- ❖ Identify locations of highest priority non-storm water persistent flow MS4 outfall monitoring stations on map per Provision E.2.b
- ❖ Map to specify which MS4 outfalls are being monitored for compliance with a TMDL

Sample Collection (Shown in Figures N-18 through N-20)

- ❖ Field Parameter Grab Samples
- ❖ Analytical Parameter Grab Samples
- ❖ Receiving Water Grab Samples

Sample Analysis

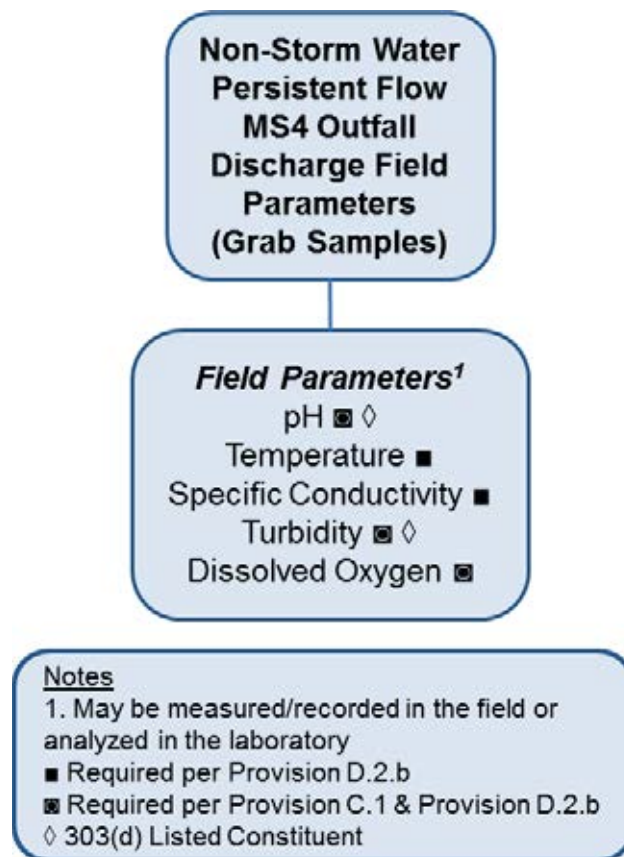


Figure N-18
Non-Storm Water Persistent Flow MS4 Outfall Field Parameters (Grab Samples)

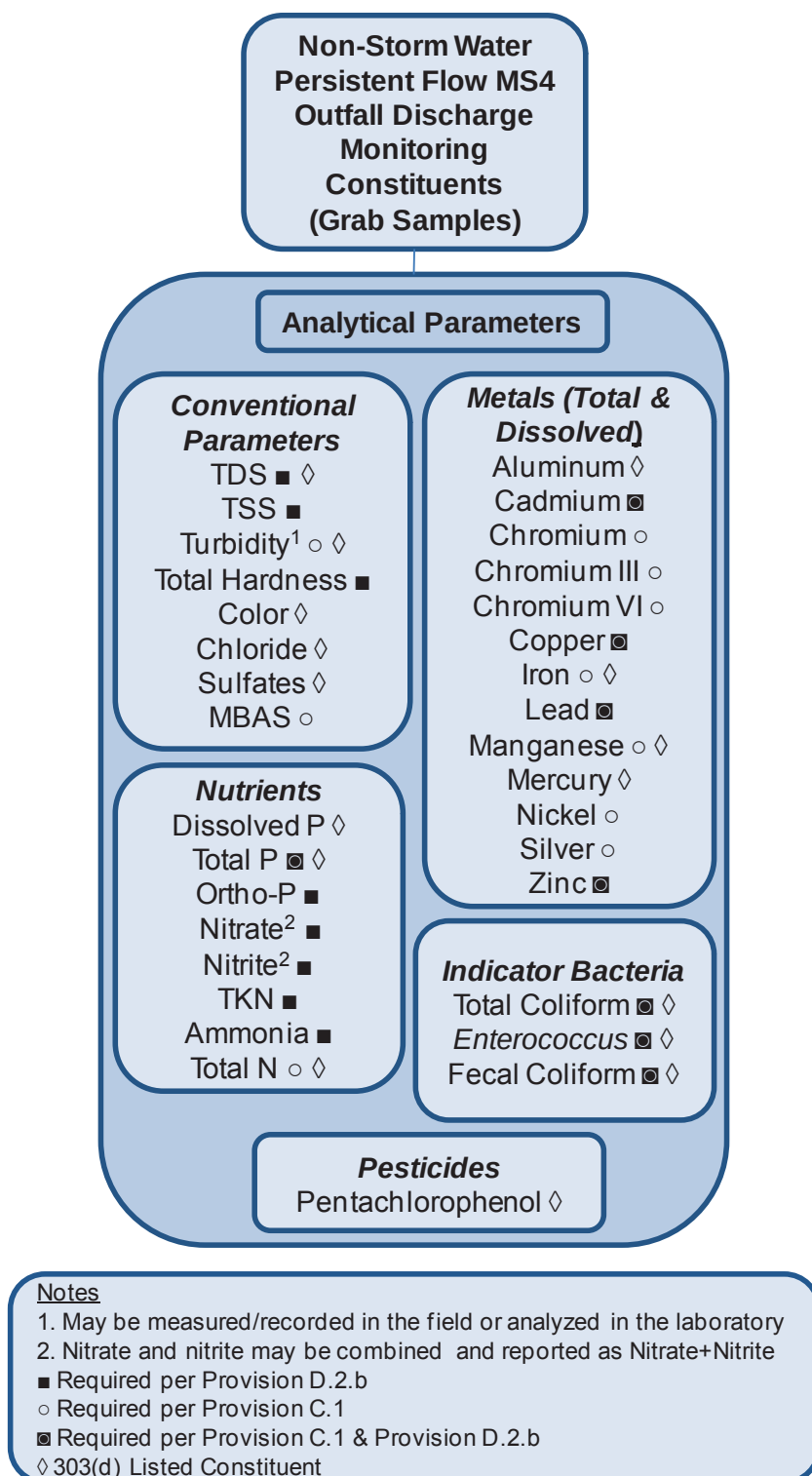


Figure N-19
Non-Storm Water Persistent Flow MS4 Outfall Discharge Monitoring Constituents (Grab Samples)

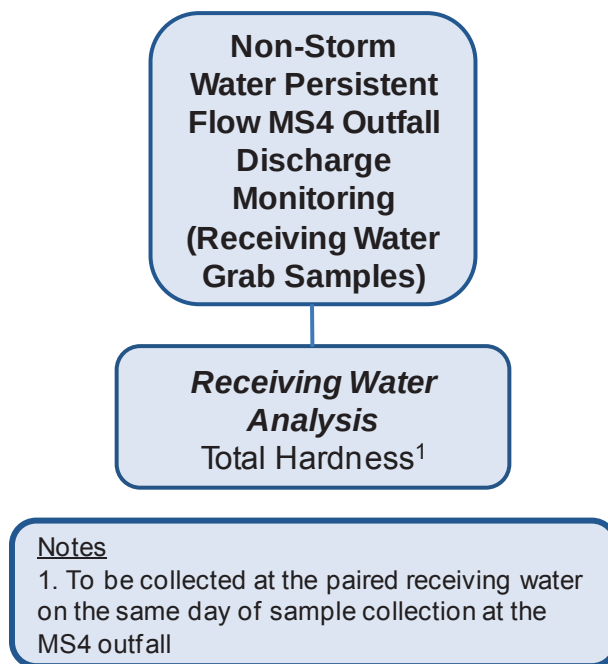


Figure N-20
Non-Storm Water Persistent Flow MS4 Outfall Discharge Monitoring
Receiving Water Analysis (Grab Samples)

N.2.3 Wet Weather MS4 Outfall Discharge Monitoring (Permit Prov. D.2.c)

Overview

Objectives

- ❖ Determine which storm water discharges contain concentrations of pollutants below storm water action levels (SALs) (Permit Provision C.2)
- ❖ Determine the relative contribution of MS4 outfalls to priority water quality conditions during wet weather
- ❖ Investigate how discharge concentrations, loads, and flows change over time at representative MS4 outfalls

Sampling Locations

- ❖ The outfalls below will be monitored annually by each Jurisdiction during the wet season (October 1 – April 30)

Table N-8
MS4 Outfalls for Wet Weather Monitoring

Jurisdiction	MS4 Outfalls for Wet Weather Monitoring
City of Del Mar	1 (MS4-SDC-1) ^(a)
City of Escondido	1 (MS4-SDC-2)
City of Poway	1 (MS4-SDC-3)
City of San Diego	1 (MS4-SDC-4)
City of Solana Beach	1 (MS4-SDC-5)
County of San Diego	1 (MS4-SDC-6)

(a) Site also known as S-06.

Frequency of Events

- ❖ One wet weather event per monitoring year

Monitoring Methods Reference

- ❖ San Dieguito River MS4 Outfall Monitoring Plan (www.projectcleanwater.org)

Sample Collection (shown in Figures N-21 through N-23)

- ❖ Time Weighted Composites
- ❖ Grab Samples
- ❖ Receiving Water Grab Samples

Sample Analysis

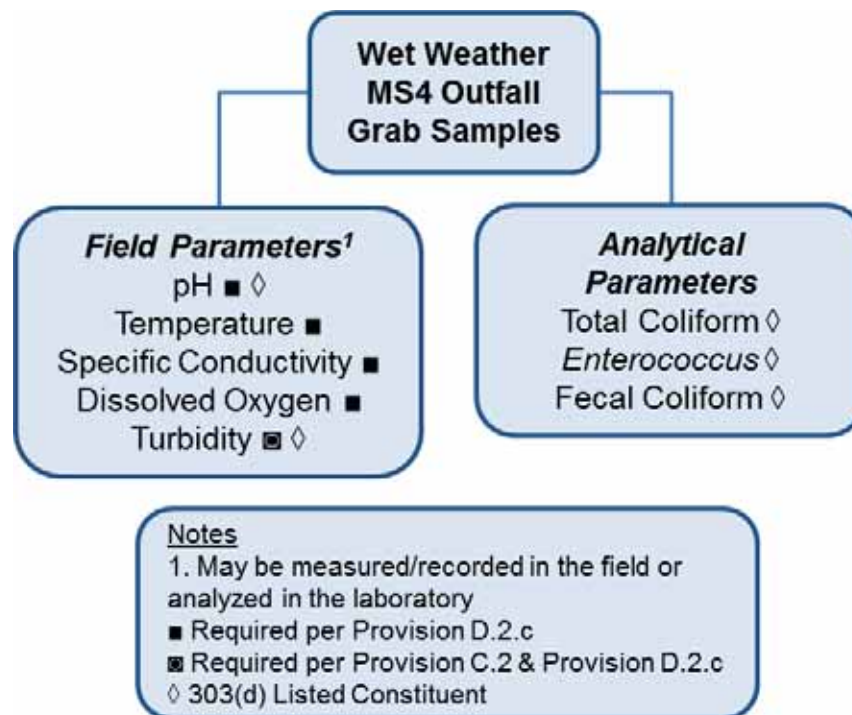


Figure N-21
Wet Weather MS4 Outfall Grab Sample Constituents

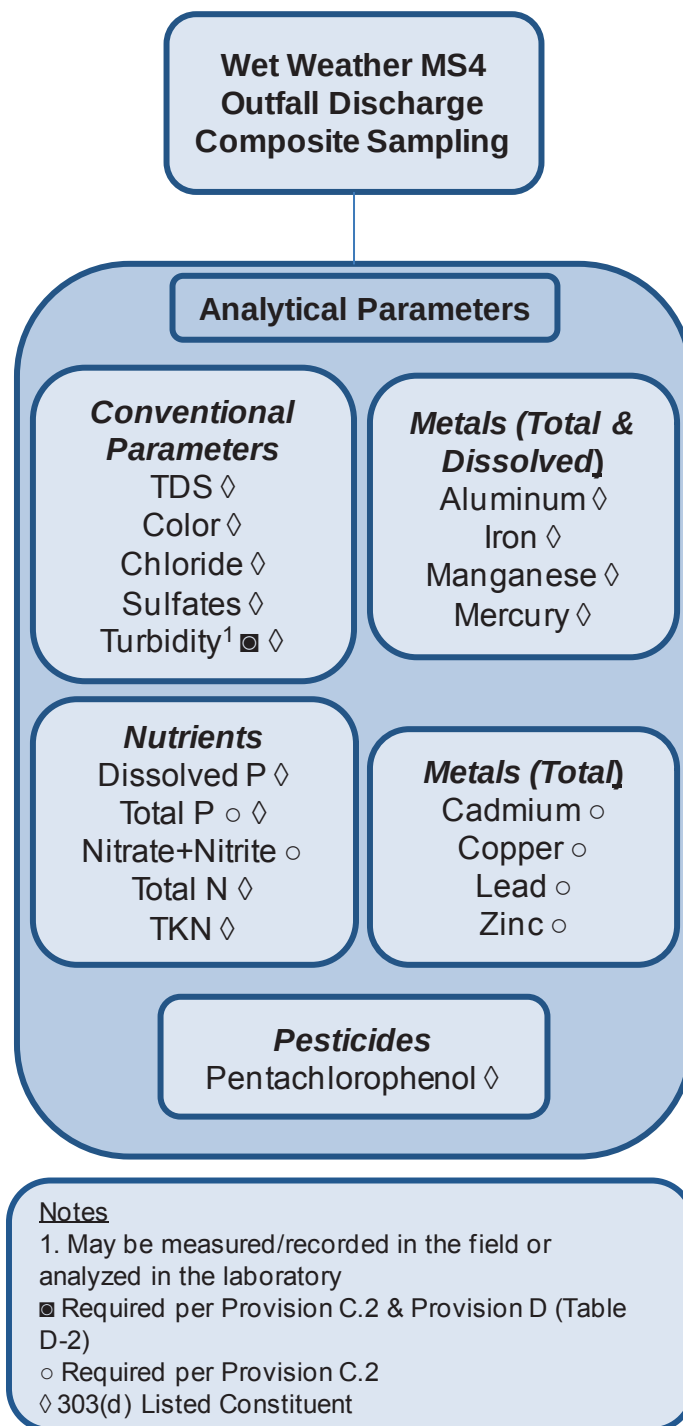


Figure N-22
Wet Weather MS4 Outfall Discharge Monitoring Constituents

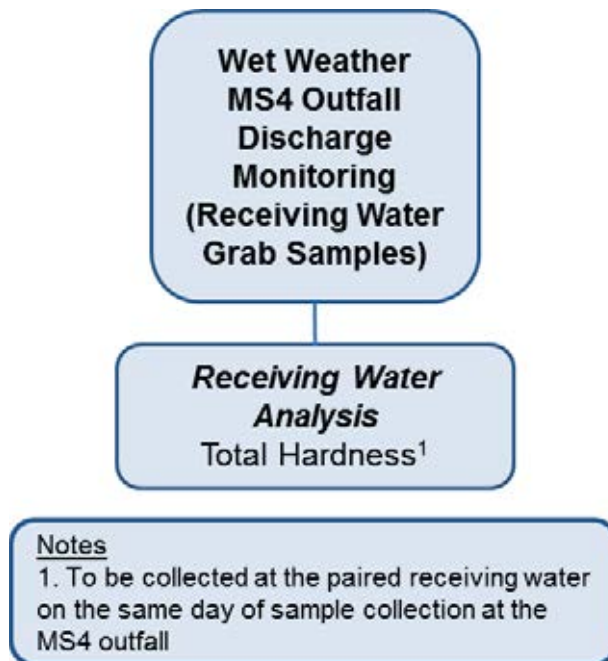


Figure N-23
Wet Weather MS4 Outfall Discharge Monitoring Receiving Water Analysis

N.3 Special Studies

N.3.1 San Diego Regional Reference Stream Study (Permit Prov. D.3)

Overview

Objectives

- ❖ Evaluate variation in Water Quality Objective (WQO) exceedance frequencies between summer dry weather, winter dry weather, and wet weather?
- ❖ Evaluate variation in WQO exceedance frequencies with respect to hydrologic factors, such as:
 - o Storm size (wet weather only)
 - o Beginning versus end of storm season (wet weather only)
 - o Discharge flow rate and volume
- ❖ Evaluate variation in WQO exceedance frequencies with respect to impact factors such as the size and geology of catchments
- ❖ Evaluate variation in WQO exceedance frequencies with respect to biotic and abiotic factors, such as:
 - o Algal cover and/or biofilms
 - o Water quality (temperature, conductivity, pH, dissolved oxygen, total suspended solids concentrations)

Sampling Locations

- ❖ Three (3) wet weather events at six (6) sites throughout the San Diego Region (two sites are located in San Diego County)
- ❖ Up to 40 weeks of dry weather at up to ten (10) dry weather sites

Monitoring Methods Reference

- ❖ San Diego Reference Stream QAPP (available upon request from the Regional Water Quality Control Board)

Monitoring Approach

Wet Weather Monitoring

- ❖ Time course pollutograph sampling (sampling of concentrations at multiple periods over the course of the storm) over the duration of the storm event and once per day on the following three days

- ❖ *In-situ* field measurements will be recorded at each site to coincide with each pollutograph grab sample
- ❖ Flow and precipitation will be measured throughout the duration of the storm event at each reference site, when feasible
- ❖ During one wet event per site, toxicity composite sample taken over a whole day

Dry Weather Monitoring

- ❖ Up to 40 weeks
- ❖ Water grab-sampling:
 - o Weekly bacteria samples will be collected such that 5 samples will occur within each 30-day period
 - o Biweekly nutrient, metals, and conventionals sampling
 - o Flow calculated weekly at each site using a hand-held March-McBirney flow meter. The meter measures instantaneous velocity, which will be used with cross-sectional area measurements to calculate flow
 - o *In-situ* field measurements to coincide with each grab sample
- ❖ Modified algal bioassessment sampling one to two times per Reference Stream site, when feasible
 - o Modified SWAMP guidelines for algae collection and stream condition parameters, including physical habitat, benthic algae and chlorophyll a

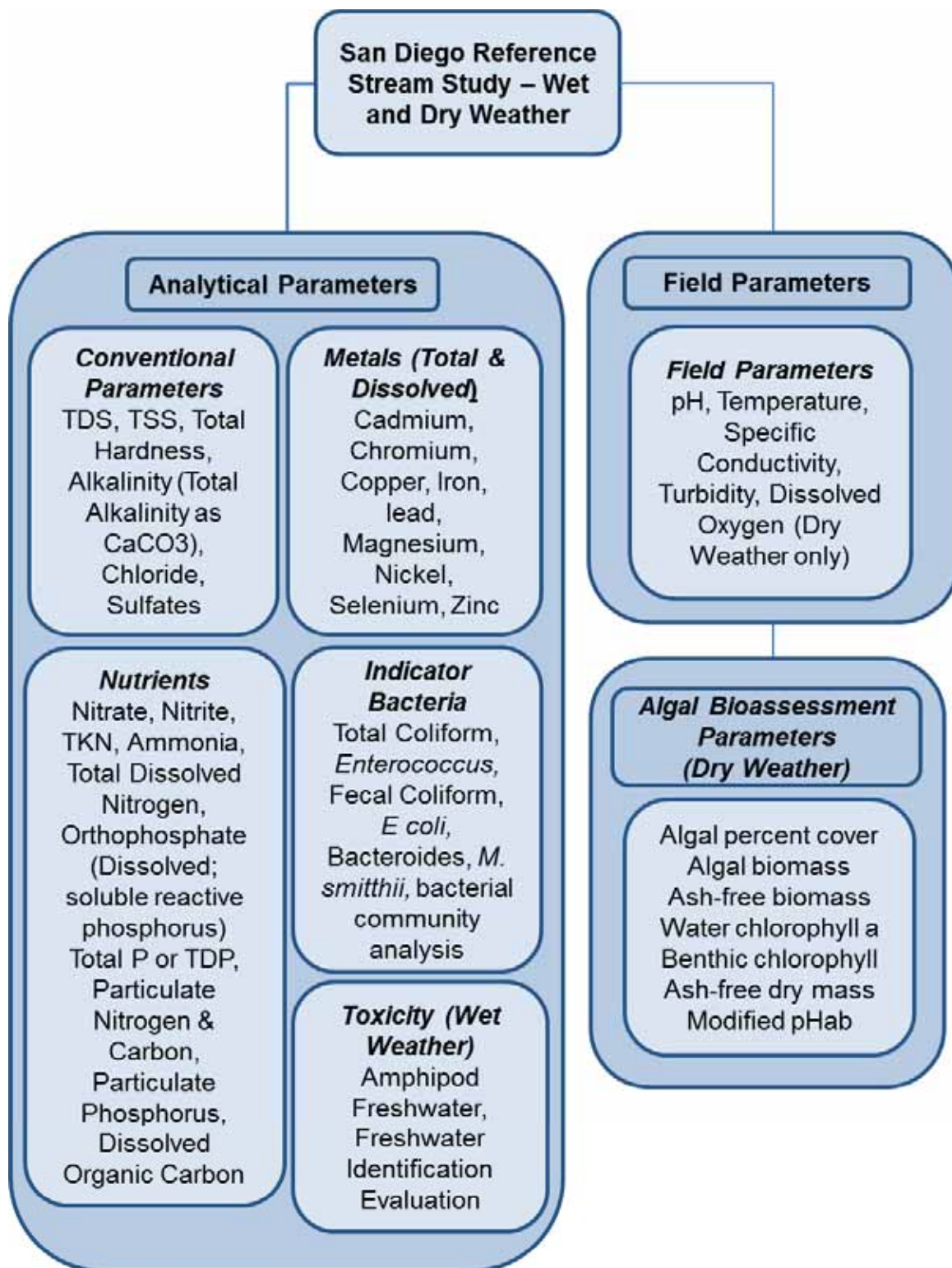


Figure N-24
San Diego Reference Stream Study Monitoring Constituents

N.3.2 San Diego Regional Reference Beach Study (Permit Prov. D.3)

Overview

Objectives

- ❖ Evaluate variation in Water Quality Objective (WQO) exceedance frequencies between summer dry weather, winter dry weather, and wet weather.
- ❖ Evaluate variation in WQO exceedance frequencies with respect to hydrologic factors, such as:
 - o Discharge flow rate (wet and dry weather)
 - o Status of estuary mouth, if applicable (open or closed, dry weather only)
- ❖ Evaluate wet and dry weather WQO exceedance frequencies in creeks and estuaries (if applicable).

Sampling Locations

- ❖ Three (3) wet weather events at three monitoring (3) points at one (1) site: freshwater creek, estuary, and ocean (site located in San Diego County)
- ❖ Up to 60 weeks of dry weather at two (2) to three (3) monitoring points at two (2) dry weather sites: freshwater creek, estuary (if applicable), and ocean (one in the San Diego Region; one in the Malibu Region)

Monitoring Methods Reference

- ❖ San Diego Reference Beach QAPP (available upon request from the Regional Water Quality Control Board)

Monitoring Approach

Wet Weather Monitoring

- ❖ Monitoring conducted only during storms that produce enough runoff to result in the creek actively discharging to the ocean
- ❖ One grab sample at each monitoring point on the day of the storm event and once per day on the following three days
- ❖ *In-situ* field measurements will be recorded at each monitoring point to coincide with each grab sample
- ❖ Discharge from the creek will be estimated during sampling each day throughout the duration of the monitoring event, when feasible

Dry Weather Monitoring

- ❖ Up to 60 weeks
- ❖ Water grab-sampling:
 - o Weekly bacteria samples at each monitoring point will be collected such that 5 samples will occur within each 30-day period
 - o Flow estimated weekly at each creek site and the flow across the beach to the ocean, if flowing.
 - o *In-situ* field measurements to coincide with each grab sample
- ❖ Estuary Special Study
 - o Dry weather only at San Onofre Creek (Deer Creek does not have an estuary)
 - o Includes two (2) additional sample points within the estuary, for a total of three (3) sample points within the estuary (spatial variability)
 - o Samples are collected once per sampling day, or twice per sampling day when open to tidal fluctuation (temporal variability)

N.3.3 San Dieguito River WMA Bacteria Source Identification and Prioritization Process Special Study (Permit Prov. D.3)

Overview

Objectives

- ❖ Implement source characterization via desktop analysis and Responsible Agency interviews in order to determine the specific sources of bacteria impacting the San Dieguito River at the Pacific Ocean Shoreline

Monitoring Methods Reference

- ❖ San Dieguito River WMA Bacteria Source Identification Special Study Plan (www.projectcleanwater.org)

Source Identification

Source Identification to include:

- ❖ Data Collection and Analysis
 - o Literature review
 - o Compilation of monitoring data and other relevant information
 - o Analysis of data gaps
- ❖ Identification and prioritization of bacteria sources

N.3.4 Proposed Nutrient Load Characterization Study for Lake Hodges (Permit Prov. D.3)

Overview

Objectives

- ❖ City of San Diego Public Utilities Department program to characterize the nutrient budget to Lake Hodges and identify the sources of those loads. Program is currently under development and details are not available.

Monitoring Methods Reference

- ❖ NA; program is under development

N.3.5 Stream Gauge Study (Permit Prov. D.3)

Overview

Objectives

- ❖ Evaluate the level of flow in local streams
- ❖ Determine which streams are perennial and which streams are ephemeral

Sampling Locations

- ❖ Three (3) locations in the San Dieguito River

Monitoring Methods Reference

- ❖ Stream Gauge Study Work Plan (www.projectcleanwater.org)

Data Collection

Data Collection to Include:

- ❖ Dataloggers with five minute logging interval for:
 - o Water level
 - o Temperature
 - o Barometric pressure
 - o Conductivity (location-dependent)
- ❖ Stream cross section measurements

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