Commission **Approval of Request for Proposals** (RFP) for Design



Feb 21, 2017



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Prior SAWPA Commission Approval for Project

- Feb 2015 Submission of Funding Request to Regional Water Quality Control Board (Regional Board)
- July 2015 Execution of Funding Agreement with U.S.
 Fish and Wildlife Service
- Dec 2015 Execution of Funding Agreement with Regional Board
- Jan 2016 Additional Funding from Regional Board
- Feb 2017 Approval of Design Request For Proposals







About the Santa Ana Sucker

- Size <6 inches
- Feed on algae, small invertebrates
- Listed as Threatened in 2000
- Range includes Santa Ana River, Los Angeles River, and San Gabriel River basins
- "The most pressing threat to the species is the lack of suitable habitat necessary to increase population resiliency" US Fish and Wildlife Service, 2014



Photo credit: Santa Ana Watershed Association



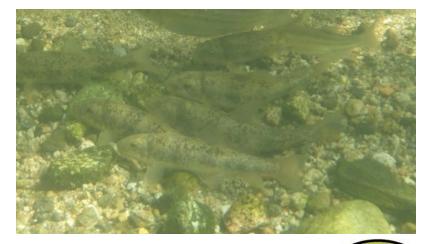




Project Scope

Amount of beneficial habitat for Santa Ana Sucker:
 Total of 150 yards Habitat Structure Length











Possible Project Area

- Land owned by the State; managed by Riverside County Parks
- Access for equipment along Santa Ana River Trail











Project Implemented By the Fish Conservation Team

Team

Members:







City of Arts & Innovation

Team Description:

Determine reasons for the decline of the Sucker in the Watershed, and devise strategies for its recovery.

Team Benefits:

Receive grant funding regulated entities not eligible to receive.

Team projects improve baseline of species.







Project Funding

- Grant from US Fish and Wildlife Service
- Supplementation Environmental Project (SEP)
 Funding from Regional Board
- Funding from Sucker Team

















Project Partners (Technical Assistance)

- San Bernardino Valley Municipal Water District
- US Army Corps of Engineers LA District
- US Fish and Wildlife Service Palm Springs Office
- Orange County Water District





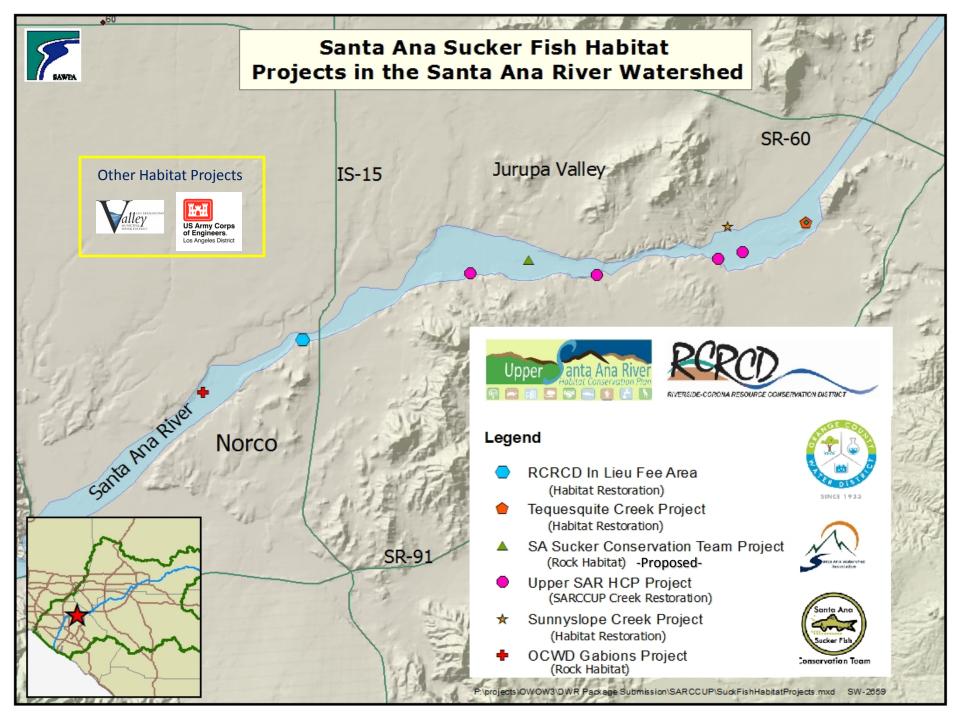












Design RFP

- The RFP will allow SAWPA to bring on a consultant to:
 - draft project concepts and alternatives,
 - collect field data,
 - design the Project,
 - create plans, specifications and drawings,
 - estimate construction cost.









Benefits of Design RFP

- Benefits multiple agencies including San Bernardino Valley MWD & U.S. Army Corps
- San Bernardino Valley MWD offered to have their Board consider sharing cost of design RFP















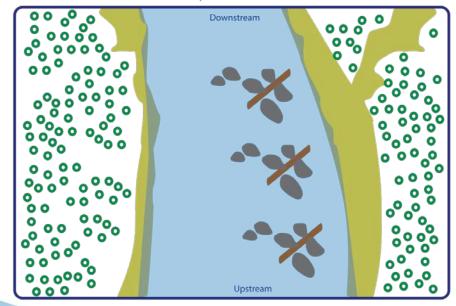


Design RFP

 RFP beneficial as the design can be replicated in the field:



Habitat Structure Implemented in Field:









Schedule

Pre-Permit **Application**

Post Permit

Application

- Design RFP Release Date February 21, 2017
- RFP Responses Due Date March 15, 2017
- Commission Approval of Design Contract April 4, 2017
- Conclude Pre-Permit Design June 5, 2017

Orange County Water District to Assist with Permit/CEQA Writing



- Submit Permit Applications June/July 2017
- File Environmental Documents Summer 2017
- Receive Feedback from Permit Review Winter 2017
- Finish Final Design Winter/Spring 2017
- Construction Fall 2018





Recommendation

That the Commission approve issuance of the Request for Proposals for the Design of the Santa Ana Sucker Protection and Beneficial Use Enhancement Project.





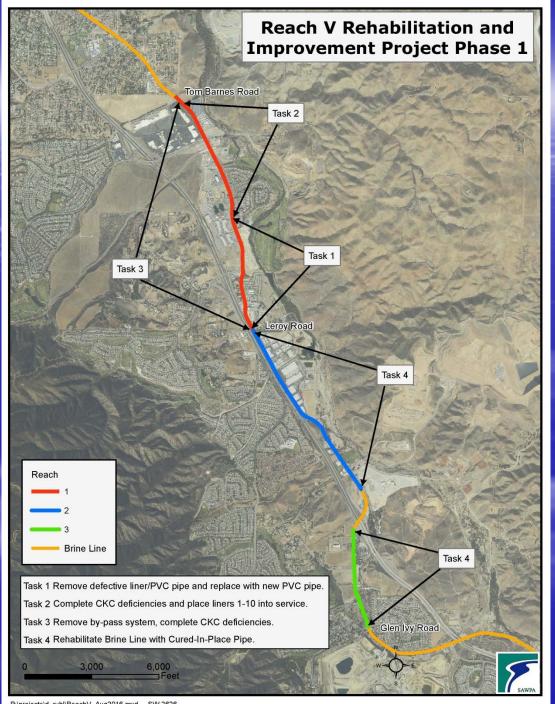






Inland Empire Brine Line Reach V Rehabilitation and Improvement Project – Phase 1

Item 5.D February 21, 2017





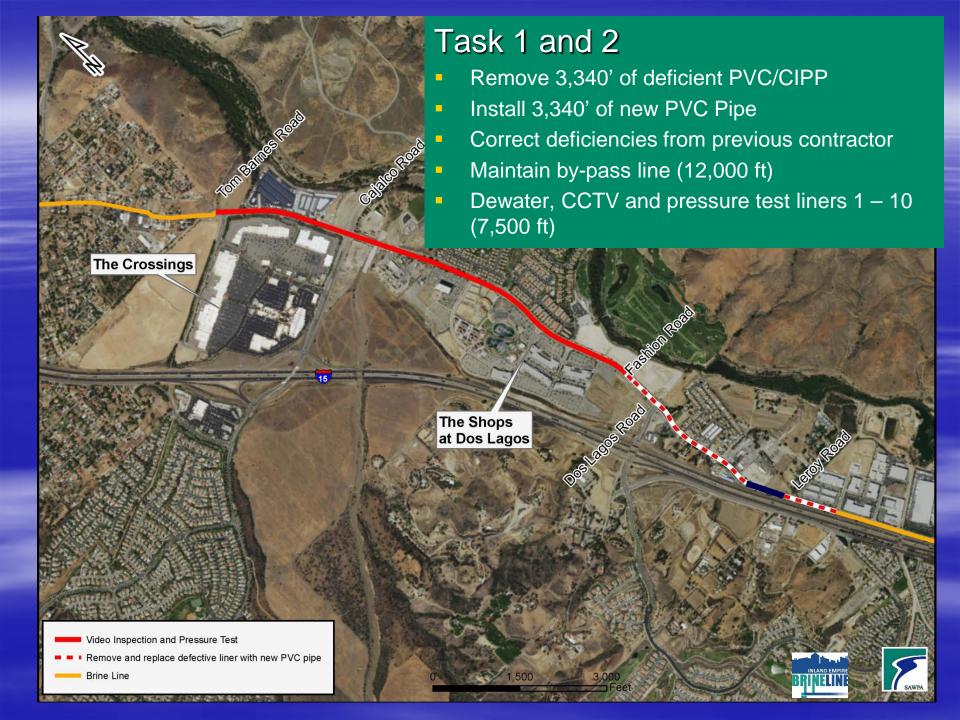


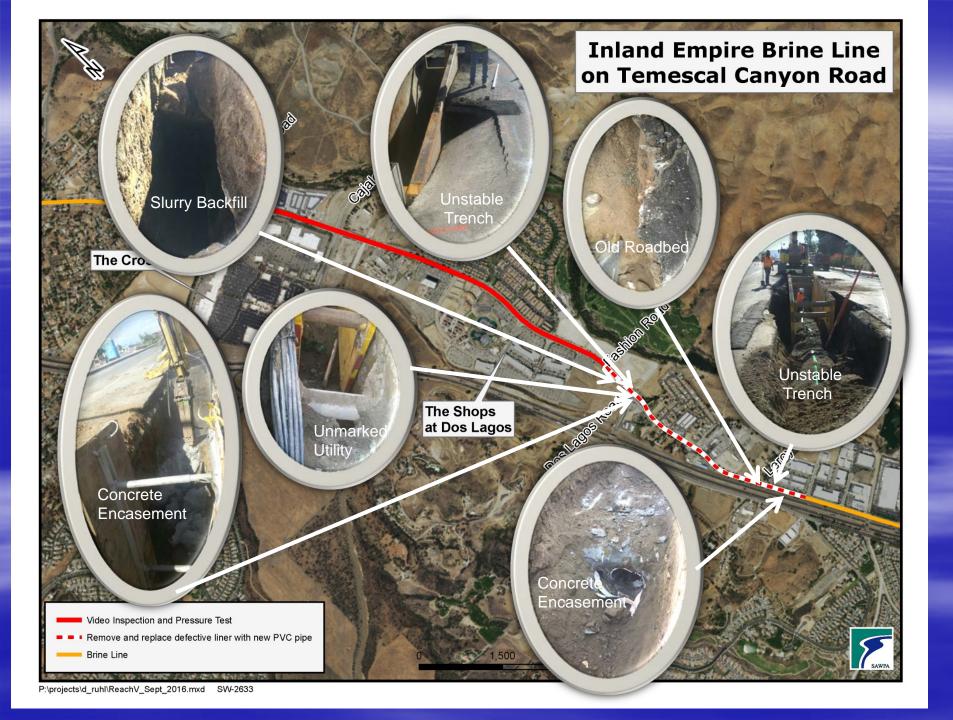






Questions?





Public Outreach

- Project Update Brochures
- Construction Hotline
- Construction E-mail address
- Posting to We R Temescal Valley Facebook Page
- Project Website





PIPELINE PROJECT UPDATE

► WHAT'S NEW AND WHY

The contractor upgrading the Brine Line, WEKA Inc. of Highland, CA, is operating work crews at full staffing, maximizing production and efficiency on the project. In addition, repaving a segment of Temescal Canyon Road in Corona is scheduled to start on Friday, 11/4, and continue into early next week.

▶ WHAT IT MEANS TO YOU

WEKA will replace the temporary asphalt on Temescal Canyon Road near Fashion Drive – restoring a smooth driving surface on a portion of the roadway disturbed by work on the Brine Line. Final resurfacing will follow later. Generally, construction may slow traffic between Tom Barnes Street and Leroy Drive, 9 AM to 5 PM.

▶ PROCESS AND TIMELINE

The project remains fast tracked, reducing inconvenience while ensuring high-caliber work on the pipeline. The upgrades in Corona may be finished as soon as the end of November, with other areas in Phase 1 completed in early 2017. Write to us at construction@sawpa.org.



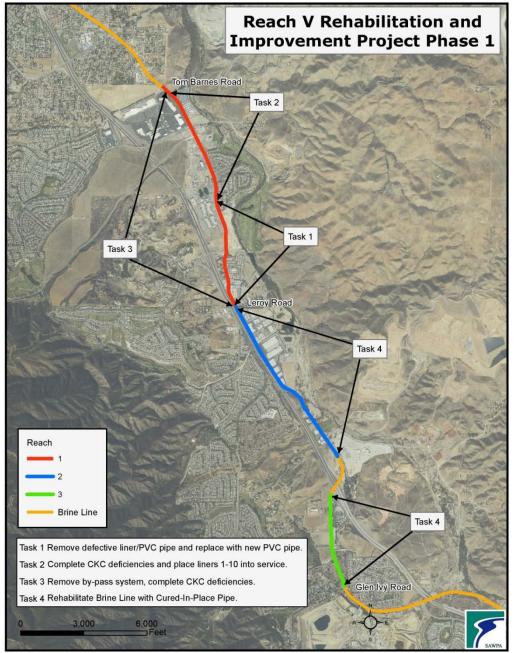
Project Overview

SAWPA is working to test, fortify and/or replace 5 miles of the Brine Line, an underground pipeline that conveys salty water from the Inland Empire to the Pacific Ocean. The brackish water comes from key sectors of the Inland economy, including power plants, manufacturers, and groundwater desalters that produce large volumes of drinking water.

The project calls for placing new pipes within older pipes which have lost their shape over time. With loss of shape comes increased risk of spills, and the upgrades follow a 2011 Brine Line leak that was remediated. Water from the Brine Line poses no health risk but, if left untreated, could damage the local environment.



Santa Ana Watershed Project Authority Inland Empire Brine Line 11615 Sterling Avenue Riverside, CA 92503 Tell us what you think.
Hotline: 951.354.4250
Email: construction@sawpa.org
For updates: www.sawpa.org/brineline



Task 4

- Project Description
 - Clean, CCTV, Laser Profile 12,800 ft
 - Repair upto 12, 800 ft of PVC pipe
 - 9 New MAS structures
 - 9 New Avs, and 9 New Blow-offs

Inland Empire Brine Line City of Beaumont Request to Connect

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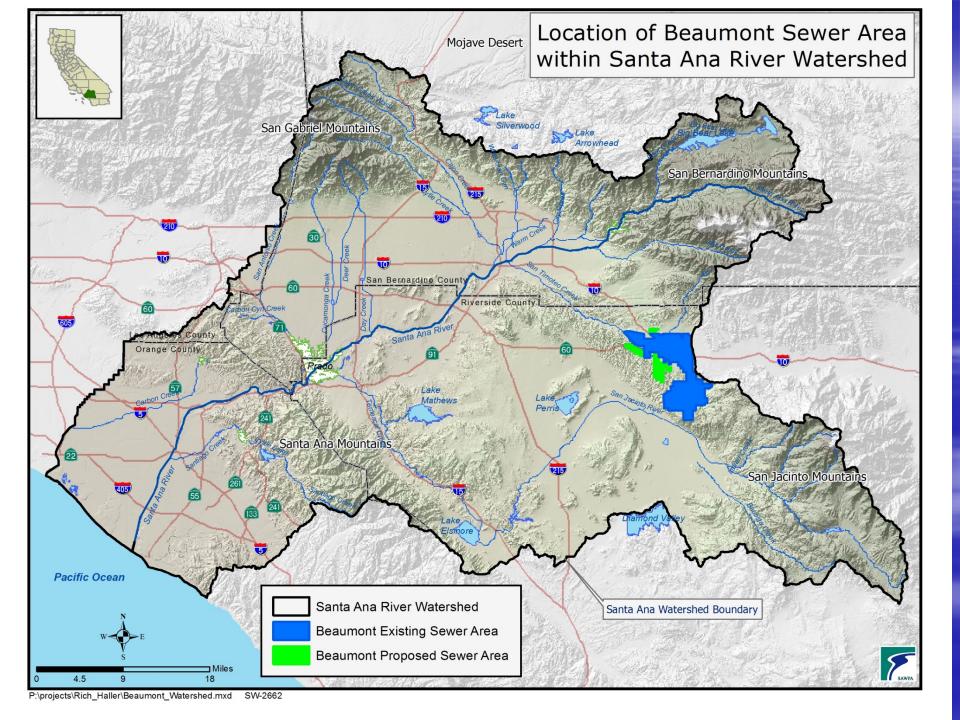
Recommendation to Commission:

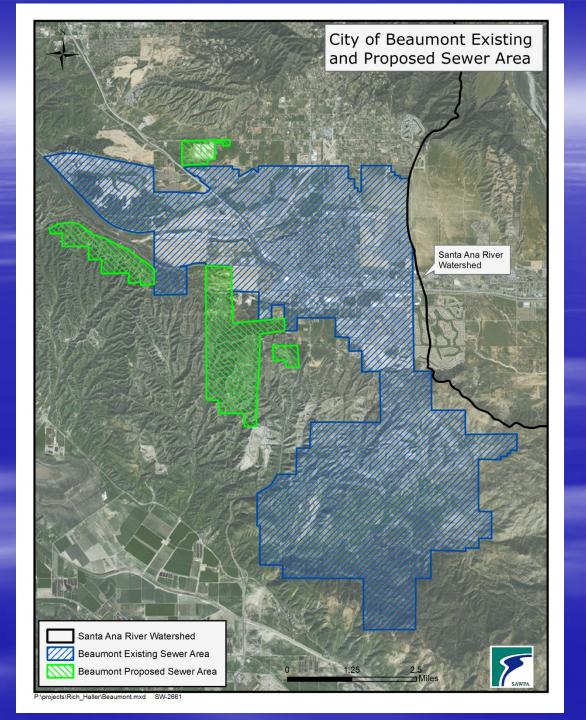
- Endorse the City of Beaumont's request to connect to the Brine Line
- Direct SAWPA staff to request approval from OCSD

- City of Beaumont initial request 12/13/16 ltr
- Met 1/10/17 to identify additional data needs
- Supplemental information provided via 1/30/17 ltr

Discharge RO concentrate (brine). RO plant to be operational by 2020. Initial brine flow 0.25 mgd (+2%). Ultimate 0.75 mgd (+7%). TDS 1,800 mg/l.

- Beaumont is outside Brine Line Service
 Area but within the watershed
 - EMWD, IEUA, Valley District, WMWD area
- Issue: per 1996 Agreement with OCSD, specific approval from OCSD is req'd
 - Yucaipa Valley Water District approved in April 2014





Beaumont Sewer System

- Treatment Plant discharges to Cooper's Creek, tributary to San Timoteo Creek, SAR
- Groundwater management zones salinity management strategy
- Plan to comply with salinity limits
 - Install RO at WWTP, plant expansion
 - 22 mile Brine Line extension (San Bernardino to Beaumont)

Brine Line CSFs

- Support the achievement of a long-term, watershed-wide salinity balance through:
 - 1. Water quality maintenance, enhancement, and protection in the Santa Ana River and groundwater basins;
 - 5. Providing existing and future public agencies and private industry with a cost-effective salinity management option.

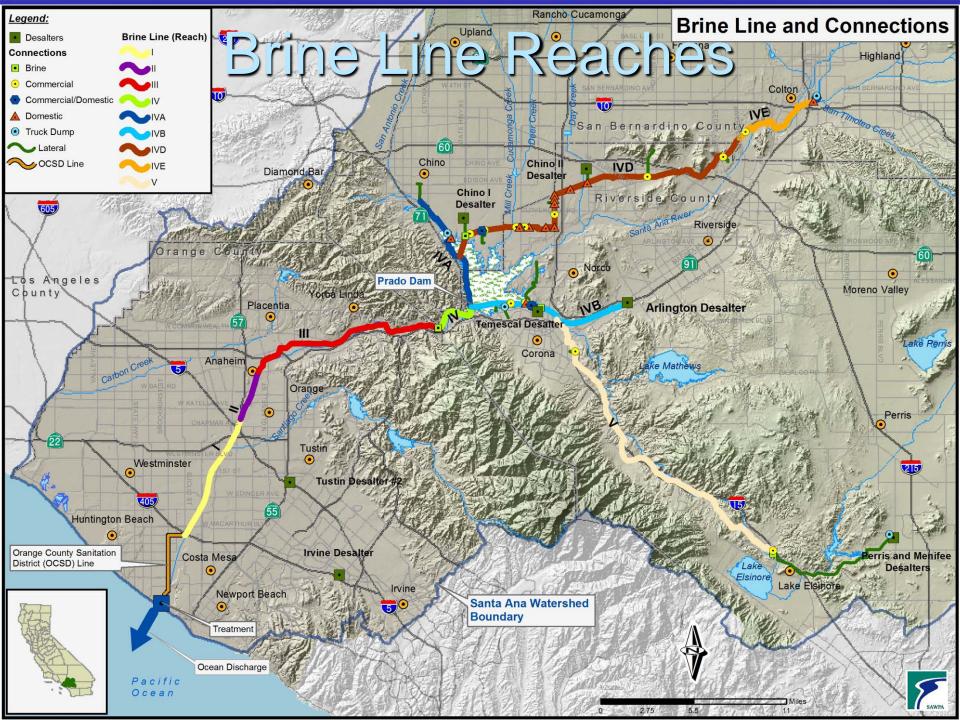
Next Steps

- Submit letter to OCSD requesting approval of Beaumont's request
- If approved, work with Valley District, WMWD and/or IEUA to provide the needed additional pipeline and treatment and disposal capacity
 - Commission approval of transfer
- Beaumont to complete and adopt an Ordinance, Enforcement Response Plan, other pretreatment program documents

Recommendation to Commission:

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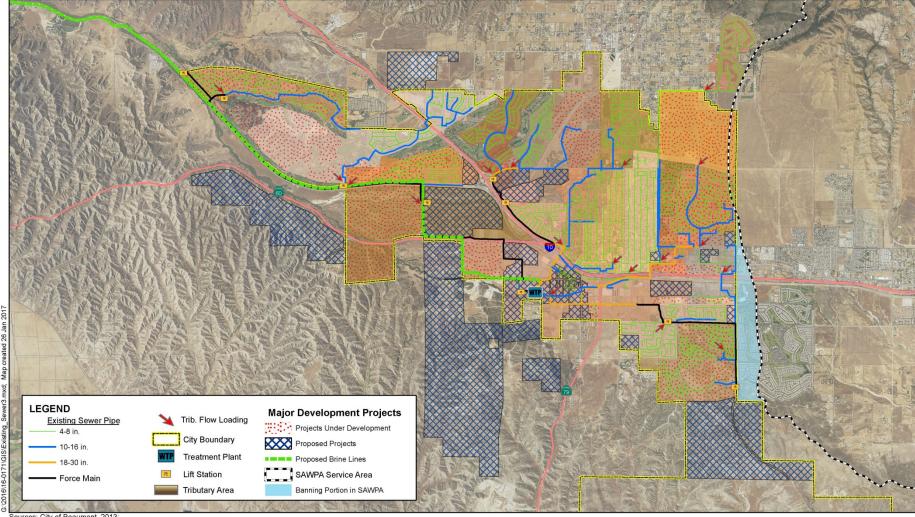
QUESTIONS?



Brine Line PATs

Critical Success Factors

- 2. Ensure that Brine Line value and benefits are known to economic development agencies and others.
- 3. Maintain sufficient funding and reserves for current and future Capital and O&M costs through a stable, predictable, and affordable rates and charges.
- 6. Conduct proactive capital and O&M planning to improve efficiency and maintain needed capacity in the long and medium terms.
- 7. Maintain strong relationships with OCSD and regulatory agencies.
- 8. Operate the Brine Line to: (1) protect the OCSD treatment plant and the environment from non-compliant dischargers, and (2) eliminate any uncontrolled pipeline releases.



Sources: City of Beaumont, 2013; Riverside Co. GIS, 2016.



ATTACHMENT B - Existing Wastewater Facilities

City of Beaumont

Public Workshop Report



Draft 2016 Clean Water Act Sections 303(d) and 305(b) Integrated Report for the Santa Ana Region

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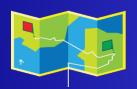
Critical Success Factors



SAWPA has a strong reputation as a watershed-wide, knowledgeable, neutral and trusted facilitator, leader, and administrator of contracted activities.



Goals, scope, costs, resources, timelines, and the contract term are approved by the Commission before executing an agreement to participate in a roundtable group.



Clear upfront criteria and terms for completing or transitioning efforts that have been successfully established or completed.



Report and use results of roundtable's work, leverage information and involvement for the benefit of SAWPA, its members, and other stakeholders.



Adequate professional staff and resources to effectively provide facilitation, management, administrative and technical support to collaborative work efforts.

Public Workshop

Purpose: Provide public review and receive comment on the updates to 303(d) List and 305(b) Report (the Integrated Report) for the Santa Ana Region

Date: Feb. 8, 2017

Location: SAWPA Boardroom

Written Public Comments

Deadline: 5:00 pm, Monday,

March 6, 2017



Workshop Outline

- Regulatory Background
- Integrated Report Process
- Assessment Results
- Next Steps

Regulatory Background

Section 303(d) of the Clean Water Act requires States to

- Develop a list of waterbody segments that are not meeting water quality standards
- Submit the statewide 303(d) List to USEPA for approval
- Establish Total Maximum Daily Loads (TMDLs) or TMDL alternatives



Regulatory Background

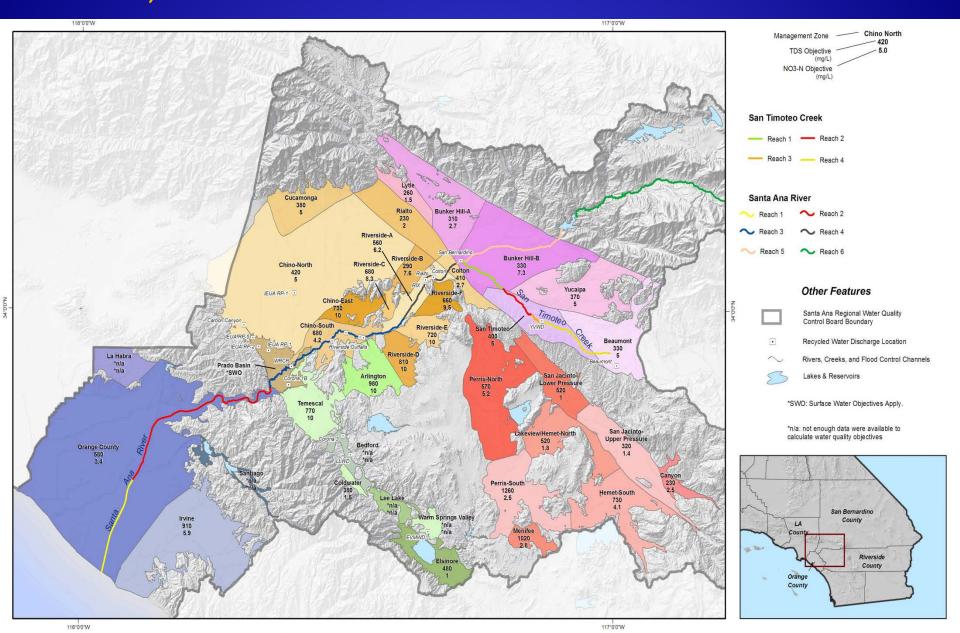
Section 305(b) of the Clean Water Act requires States to

 Report to USEPA on the conditions of its waters every other year (the 305(b) Report)

Changes to the 305(b) Report do not require USEPA approval.



Santa Ana River Watershed Regional Board Reaches, Lakes, Beaches and Creeks



Integrated Report Process

The Listing Policy

The Water Quality Control Policy for Developing California's Clean Water Act Section 303(d) List (SWRCB, 2004, amended 2015)

Provides guidelines for the water quality assessment process and establishes a standard approach for developing California's 303(d) list

State's Assessment Timeline

2010 Data Solicitation

2012

(R1, R6, R7)

RB approval

Aug, June, March 2014

SB approval April 2015

USEPA approval July 30, 2015 2014

(R3, R5, R9)

RB approval Dec, Dec and Oct 2016

SB approval
Anticipate July
2017

USEPA approval TBD 2016

(R2, R4, R8)

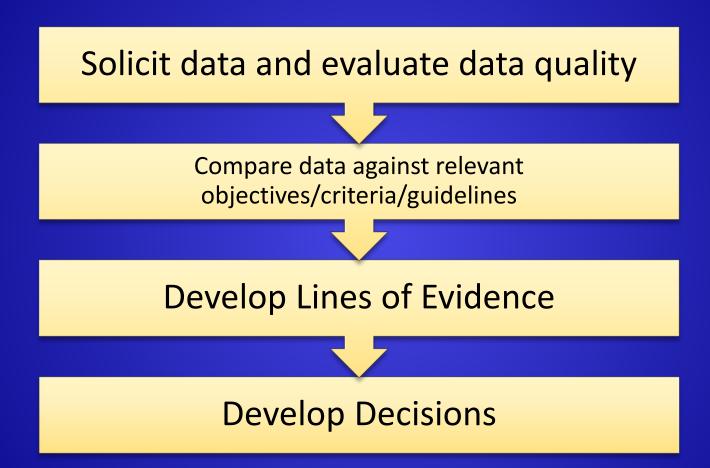
RB8 approval March 2017

SB approval

Anticipate July
2017

USEPA approval TBD July 2016 R2, R4 and R8 started decision making process

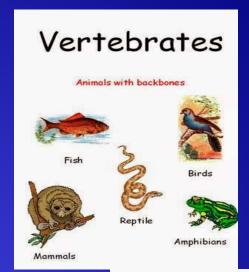
Data Assessment Overview



Special Assessment Issues

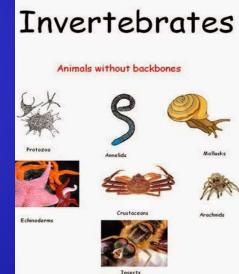
Bioassessment Data

Bioassessment is an evaluation of the condition of a waterbody based on the organisms present in the water.



Santa Ana BP Narrative:

Inland surface water communities and populations, including vertebrate, invertebrate, and plant species, shall not be degraded as a result of the discharge of waste. Degradation is damage to an aquatic community or population with the result that balanced community no longer exists.





California's Evaluation Guidelines for Benthic Invertebrate Community

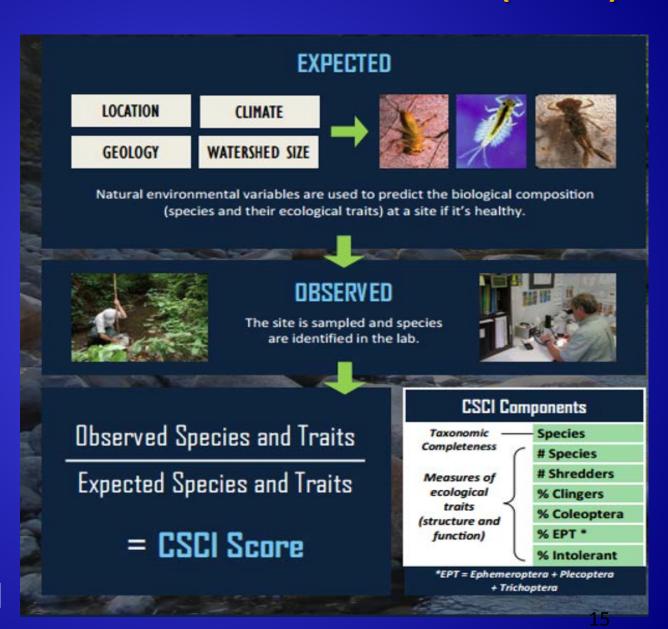
Southern California Index of Biotic Integrity

- Regionally scaled multi-metric index
- Score >56, Similar to "Least Disturbed"
- Score 40-56, Likely OK
- Score <40, Likely disturbed</p>



California Stream Condition Index (CSCI)

- ApplicableStatewide
- Score ≥0.92 Likely intact condition
- Score 0.79 –0.91Likely OK
- Score < 0.79Likely Degraded



Listing Decisions for Benthic Invertebrate Community

- Statewide Index (CSCI) used over Regional Index where available
- Add to 303(d) list when
 - Available scores showing benthic community is "Likely degraded" AND
 - Associated with chemical concentrations, temperature, dissolved oxygen, trash and other pollutants
 - New category: Benthic Community Effects



Early Concerns being addressed through collaboration among flood control agencies and Roundtables consultants

- New proposed bacteria listings in Middle Santa Ana River (SAR) – Middle SAR Pathogen Task Force
- Proposed benthic listing for SAR Reach 3 possible excess salinity – Basin Monitoring Program TF
- Proposed DDT, Mercury, PCB and Benthic Listings - Riverside County Flood Control District
- DDT and Chlordane listings San Bernardino County Flood Control District

REC Standards Basin Plan Amendment for Inland Surface Waters due to SAWPA's Roundtable – Stormwater

Quality Standards Task Force

- Removed the fecal coliform objectives for REC-1
- Provided for high flow suspension of the REC-1 beneficial use.
- Removed the REC-1 beneficial use designation from certain waterbody segments based on Use Attainability Analyses.
- Removed the indicator bacteria objectives associated to the municipal drinking water use (MUN).



2016 Listing Cycle Indicator Bacteria Seven (7) Proposed Delistings

- Removal of REC-1 Beneficial Use
 - Cucamonga Creek Reach 1
 - Santa Ana Delhi Channel
- Consideration of only E. coli data
 - Canyon Lake
 - Lytle Creek
 - Mill Creek Reach 2
 - Silverado Creek
- Revised tiered E. coli SSM objective based on use
 - Santa Ana River Reach 2

Response Deadline

- Written Comment Period January 26, 2017 to March 6, 2017
- SAWPA Task Forces and partners are using Risk Sciences to review impacts of the new 303(d) listing and will prepare letter responses to Regional Board by their Mar. 6, 2017 deadline



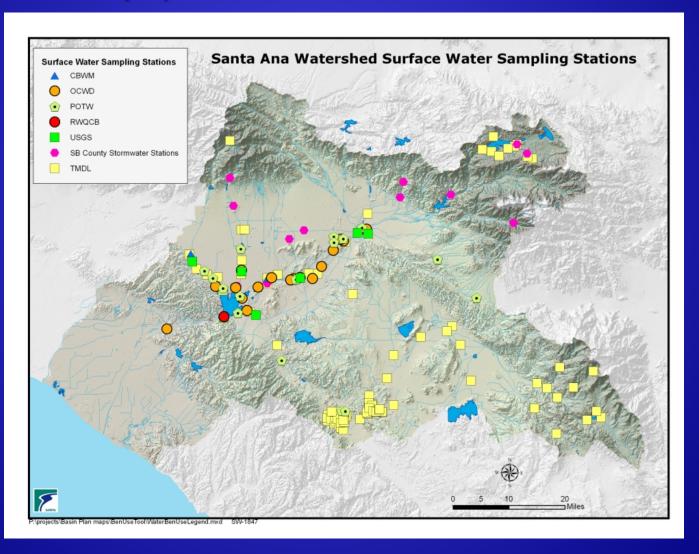
 303(d) List approval recommendation at the next Regional Board Meeting –March 17, 2017

Issues and concerns with 303 d list support data

- Some data not in State water quality database (CEDEN)
- Some data from other nonprofit organizations and unofficial agency coalitions
- Data entered into other State databases
- Data not reflective of temporal or spatial variation



SAWPA Previously Proposed Regional Surface Water Monitoring Program for the Santa Ana Watershed – 4/6/11



April 2011 Stakeholder Response

- Water Reclamation Agencies previously indicated they were not interested.
- Due to potential impact of 303d listing and future listings, MS4 permittees and flood control agencies may be in.
- SAWPA staff will reconvene monitoring agencies under Reg WQ Monitoring Program Task Force to discuss interest.



Questions?