

## Lake Elsinore and Canyon Lake TMDL Task Force

October 26, 2023

### **PARTICIPANTS PRESENT:**

Abigail Suter, Riverside County Flood Control & WCD	Michael Roberts, City of Riverside
Aldo Licitra, Riverside County Flood Control & WCD	Natasha Thandi, Caltrans (MBI)
Alex Christie, City of Moreno Valley	Pat Boldt, WRCAC
Barbara Barry, Regional Water Quality Control Board	Paula Kulis, CDM Smith
Ben Foster, City of Lake Elsinore	Rachael Johnson, Riverside County Farm Bureau
Carlos Norvani, City of Lake Elsinore	Rae Beimer, City of Moreno Valley
Cynthia Gabaldon, City of Menifee, Perris, and March JPA	Rebekah Guill, Riverside County Flood Control & WCD
Dale Welty, City of Canyon Lake	Richard Boon, Riverside County Flood Control & WCD
Doug Edwards, EMWD	Richard Meyerhoff, GEI Consultants
Dustin Christensen, City of Beaumont	Rohini Mustafa, Riverside County Flood Control & WCD
Garth Engelhorn, NV5	Ryan Kearns, Riverside County Flood Control & WCD
Hunter Raskin, Willdan	Scott Sewell, CDFW
Jagroop Khela, Regional Water Quality Control Board	Steven Wolosoff, GEI Consultants
Jessica Galloway, City of Perris	Sudhir Mohleji, Elsinore Valley Municipal Water District
Jim Klang, WRCAC	Tess Dunham, Kahn, Soares & Conway, LLP
John Rudolph, WSP USA	Bruce Whitaker, SAWPA
Kris Hanson, City of Wildomar (Interwest)	Gil Botello, SAWPA
Lauren Briggs, Regional Water Quality Control Board	T Milford Harrison, SAWPA
Lauren Sotelo, March JPA	Rachel Gray, SAWPA
Lynn Merrill, City of San Jacinto	Rick Whetsel, SAWPA

### **Call to Order & Introductions**

The Lake Elsinore/Canyon Lake TMDL Task (Task Force) meeting was called to order at 2:31 p.m. by Rick Whetsel, with all participants participating remotely.

### **Approval of Meeting Notes from August 7, 2023 Task Force Meeting**

The August 7, 2023 meeting notes were approved as posted.

### **Status: Regional Board Update (Regional Board)**

Barbara Barry, Regional Board, informed the Task Force that staff has completed their review and submitted comments to the Task Force consultant team on the TMDL Technical Report. She also reminded the Task Force that Regional Board staff will be presenting the Lake Elsinore and Canyon Lake TMDLs as an informational item at the December 1st Regional Board Workshop. She emphasized that this will be a high level overview, as this will be the first time since 2019 that the LE&CL TMDLs have been presented to the Regional Board.

### **Presentation: 2022-23 Annual Water Quality Monitoring Review (John Rudolph, WSP USA and Garth Engelhorn, NV5)**

John Rudolph, WSP USA and Garth Engelhorn, NV5 teamed up to provide a presentation on the results of 2022-2023 Annual LE&CL TMDLs compliance monitoring program. Garth began by providing a review of the San Jacinto watershed wide flow and water quality monitoring and was followed by John providing a review of Canyon Lake and Lake Elsinore in lake monitoring.

WSP USA is currently working to address stakeholder comments and finalize the annual monitoring report within the next week.

A copy of this presentation is available on the SAWPA website under Agendas and Meeting Materials:

<https://sawpa.gov/wp-content/uploads/2023/10/2022-2023-LECL-Annual>

### **Update: TMDL Update Activities (Tess Dunham, KSC and Steve Wolosoff, GEI Consultants)**

Tess Dunham, KSC, introduced Steven Wolosoff, GEI Consultants to present a review of the comments key submitted by the task Force stakeholders.

Moving forward it is the goal of the consultant team to get a full copy of the revised/updated TMDL Technical Report out to stakeholders by the middle of November.

A copy of the presentation is available on the SAWPA website under Agendas and Meeting Materials:  
<https://sawpa.gov/wp-content/uploads/2023/10/LECL-Task-Force-Presentation-October-2023.pdf>

**Update: Canyon Lake Fall 2023 Alum Application (LESJWA Staff)**

Rick Whetsel informed the Task Force that the fall 2023 Canyon Lake alum application conducted the week of October 2nd to 5th. was successfully completed, with no issues or incidents reported.

The Task Force will initiate discussion regarding a Spring 2023 alum application in February 2023.

**Task Force Administration (LESJWA Staff)**

Rick Whetsel informed the Task Force that a Draft FY 2024-25 budget will be sent out to stakeholders in early November for discussion at our next meeting scheduled for Tuesday, November 28<sup>th</sup>.

**Other Business**

No Other Business was discussed.

**Schedule Next Meeting**

The next LE/CL TMDL Task Force meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, November 28, 2023, at 9:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

**Adjourn**

The meeting was adjourned at 4:35 p.m.

**Table Summary of Agreements and Actions**

<b>Date of Action/Agreement</b>	<b>Action/Agreement</b>	<b>Responsible Entities Reaching Agreement</b>
September 28, 2021	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Approve funding in the amount of up to \$30,000 to CDM Smith to assist Task Force technical issues, including but not limited to, initial discussions regarding content and scope of TMDL Implementation Plan revisions should the Task Force decide to provide resources for further revising the 2018 draft TMDL.</li> </ul>	Voting Task Force members.
November 3, 2021	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Approve moving forward with the proposed step-wise approach to updating the TMDL Technical Report and its timeline.</li> </ul>	Voting Task Force members
January 10, 2022	-	-
March 2, 2022	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The Task Force agreed to submit a comment letter to the Draft Staff Working Proposal for MS4 Permit by March 18, 2022. Regional Board confirmed that they would accept the comments past their soft deadline of March 10.</li> <li>Approved the alum application to the Canyon Lake if the February monitoring data exceeds 0.09.</li> </ul>	Voting Task Force members
April 20, 2022	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Approved execution of the Key Principles for Technical TMDL Revision by Mark, Norton Task Force Administrator on behalf of the voting members of the task force subject to revisions discussed at the 4/20/2022 task force meeting.</li> <li>Approved submittal of the Task Force Comment letter to Regional Board on the Staff Working Proposal for the MS4 Permit upon revision discussed at the 4/20/2022 task force meeting. Regional Board abstained from action and conversation of this matter.</li> <li>Approved amendment #3 to extend the LE/CL TMDL Task Force Agreement for a period of three years to June 30, 2025, with the option that the Agreement, while still in full force and effect, may be extended an additional two years, to June 30, 2027, by means of Administrative Action by the Task Force Administrator</li> </ul>	Voting Task Force members; Excludes Regional Board in relation to the Comment Letter to Regional Board on the Staff Working Proposal for the MS4 Permit.
June 27, 2022	-	-
August 17, 2022	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Approved execution of the Key Principles for Technical TMDL Revision by Mark Norton, Task Force Administrator on behalf of the voting members of the LE&amp;CL TMDL Task Force.</li> <li>Approved a proposal by CDM Smith and a recommendation to the LESJWA Board to authorize a Task Order to update and revise the technical document and additional TMDL technical support services.</li> </ul>	Mark Norton, Task Force Administrator on behalf of the voting members of the LE&CL TMDL Task Force
September 27, 2022	-	-
November 14, 2022	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Transfer the remaining balance of the contract work supported by Steven Wolosoff as of December 31, 2022 from CDM Smith and enter into an agreement with GEI Consultants to complete work starting on January 1 2023.</li> <li>Exercise an option for a two year extension with WSP USA to oversee and implement TMDL Compliance Monitoring. Program.</li> </ul>	Voting Task Force members
January 10, 2023	-	-
February 15, 2023	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The Task Force moved to provide LESJWA staff in coordination with the Task Force consulting team the authority to make a determination on the need for a Spring 2023 alum application based upon review of the February 2023 Canyon Lake monitoring results to be provided by WSP USA.</li> </ul>	Voting Task Force members.
March 28, 2023	-	-
April 25, 2023	-	-

June 5, 2023	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Task Force approved LESJWA staff to rework the nutrient offset credits based solely on the need for total phosphorus offset credits and to invoice stakeholders for only 2022 TP offset credits. All remaining funds are to be applied to stakeholders 2023 LEAMS budget allocation.</li></ul>	Voting Task Force members.
August 7, 2023	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Task Force approved for LESJWA staff to prepare a Change Order for WSPUSA for an amount not to exceed \$10,330 to perform two additional Lake Elsinore in-lake monitoring events, one each in November and December 2023 using funds available from the LE&amp;CL TMDL Task Force reserve.</li></ul>	Voting Task Force members.