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# SAWPA Building Lobby Remodel (Security Improvements and ADA Upgrades Project)

July 2, 2024  
Item No. 6.A  
David Ruhl

Executive Manager of Engineering and Operations

# Recommendation

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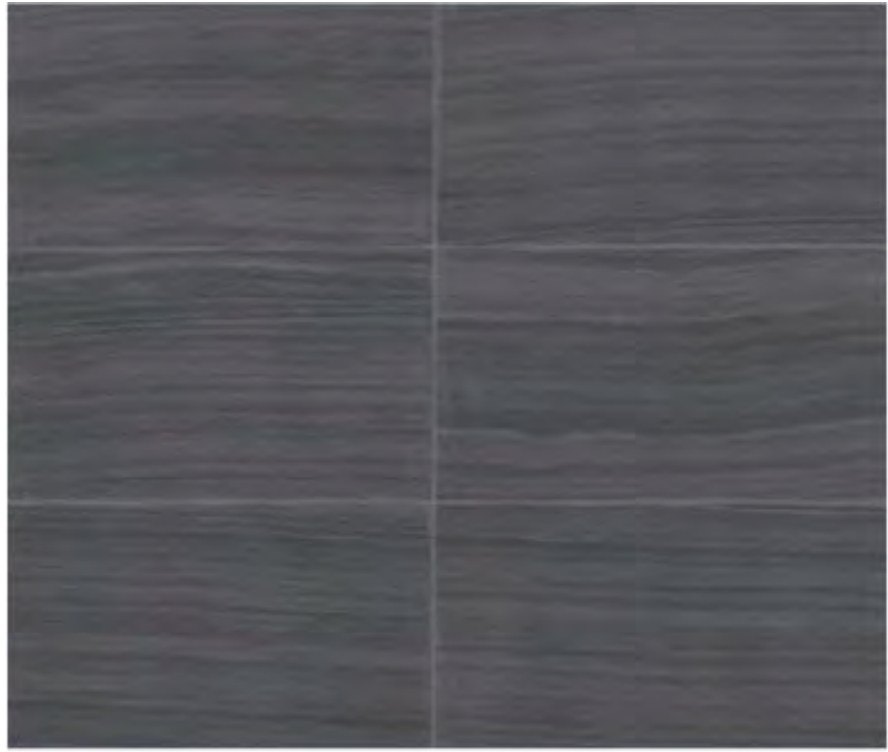
# Project Drivers

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- Harden the entrance to add a layer of security
- Maintain lobby open during business hours
- Improve functionality and appearance of reception work area
- Improvements consistent with prior Phase 1 and 2
- Provide exterior and interior ADA Upgrades

# Proposed Lobby





**03** DAL TILE - TILE FLOORING  
REVOTILE STONE LOOK  
GRAPHITE RV61



**01** KOROSEAL -  
WALLCOVERINGS  
INTERLOOM PRUSSIAN -  
NM21-19

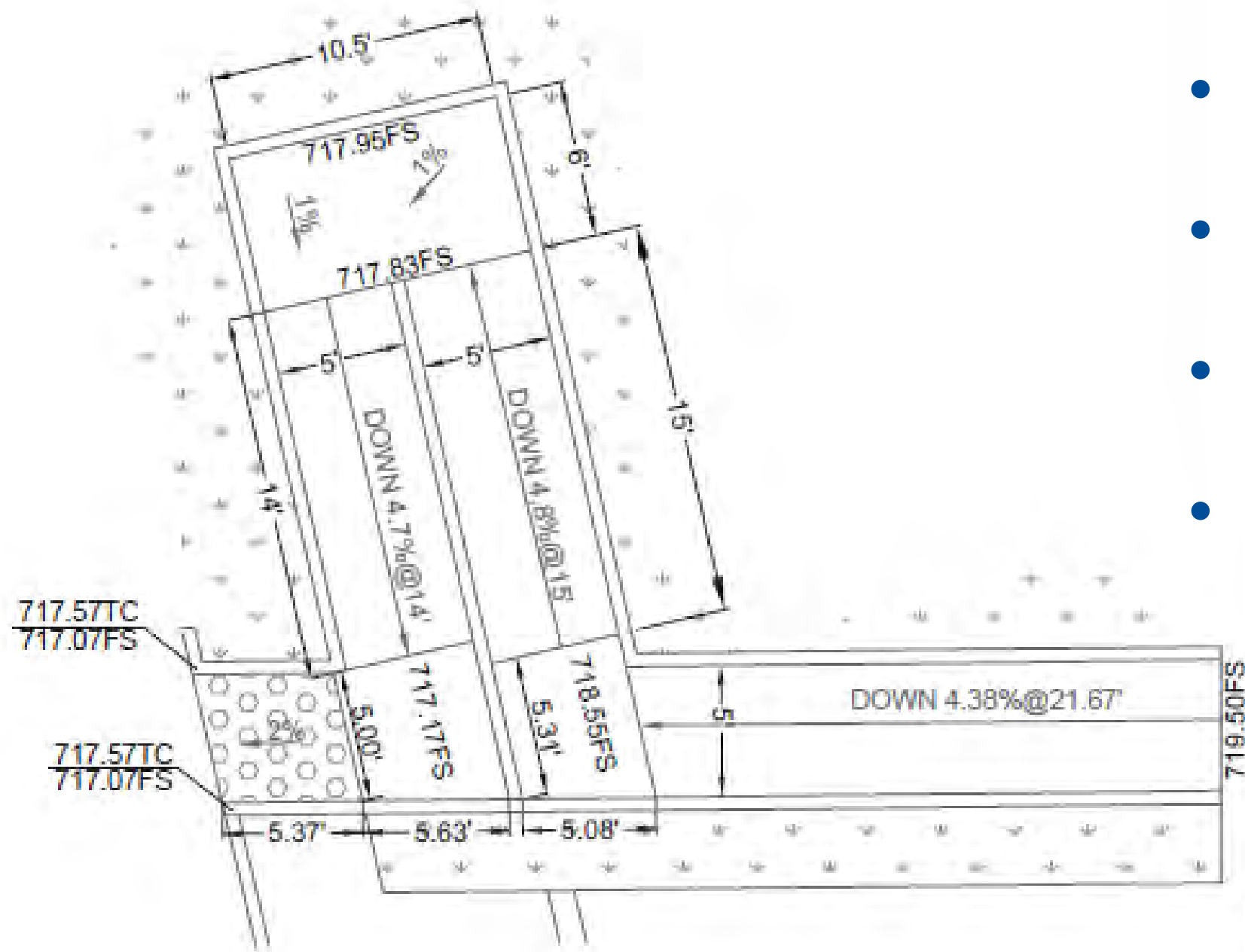
**02** CLEAR ADONIZED  
STOREFRONT SYSTEM



**04** DAL TILE -  
ENGINEERED STONE  
OQ34 - ROCKY MOUNTAIN

**05** WILSONART -  
PLASTIC LAMINATE  
WALNUT HEIGHTS - 7965

# Exterior Entrance Redesign



**RAMP DETAILS**  
SCALE: 1"=5'

- Provides path of travel
- Adds a ramp from the ADA parking
- Preserves 2/3 of the exterior concrete area
- Includes aesthetic features

# Estimate of Construction Cost and CEQA

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## Estimate of construction costs

- Lobby and ADA Improvements \$519,587

As of 4/30/24, the Building Reserve fund has \$620,007 available.

## CEQA

- Project is categorically exempt from CEQA under the Public Resources Code Section 15301 (a)

# Schedule of Critical Activities

CEQA Notice of Exemption	July 2, 2024
Commission Approval – Notice Inviting Bids	July 2, 2024
Final Plans and Specifications	August 1, 2024
Issue Notice Inviting Bids	August 5, 2024
Commission Approval – Award Construction Contract	November 5, 2024
Construction	Dec 2024 – Mar 2025



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Questions?

# Thank You

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# Lake Elsinore & Canyon Lake TMDL Task Force Status Update

Commission Meeting  
Item No. 6.B  
Rick Whetsel  
Senior Watershed Manager  
July 2, 2024

# Agenda

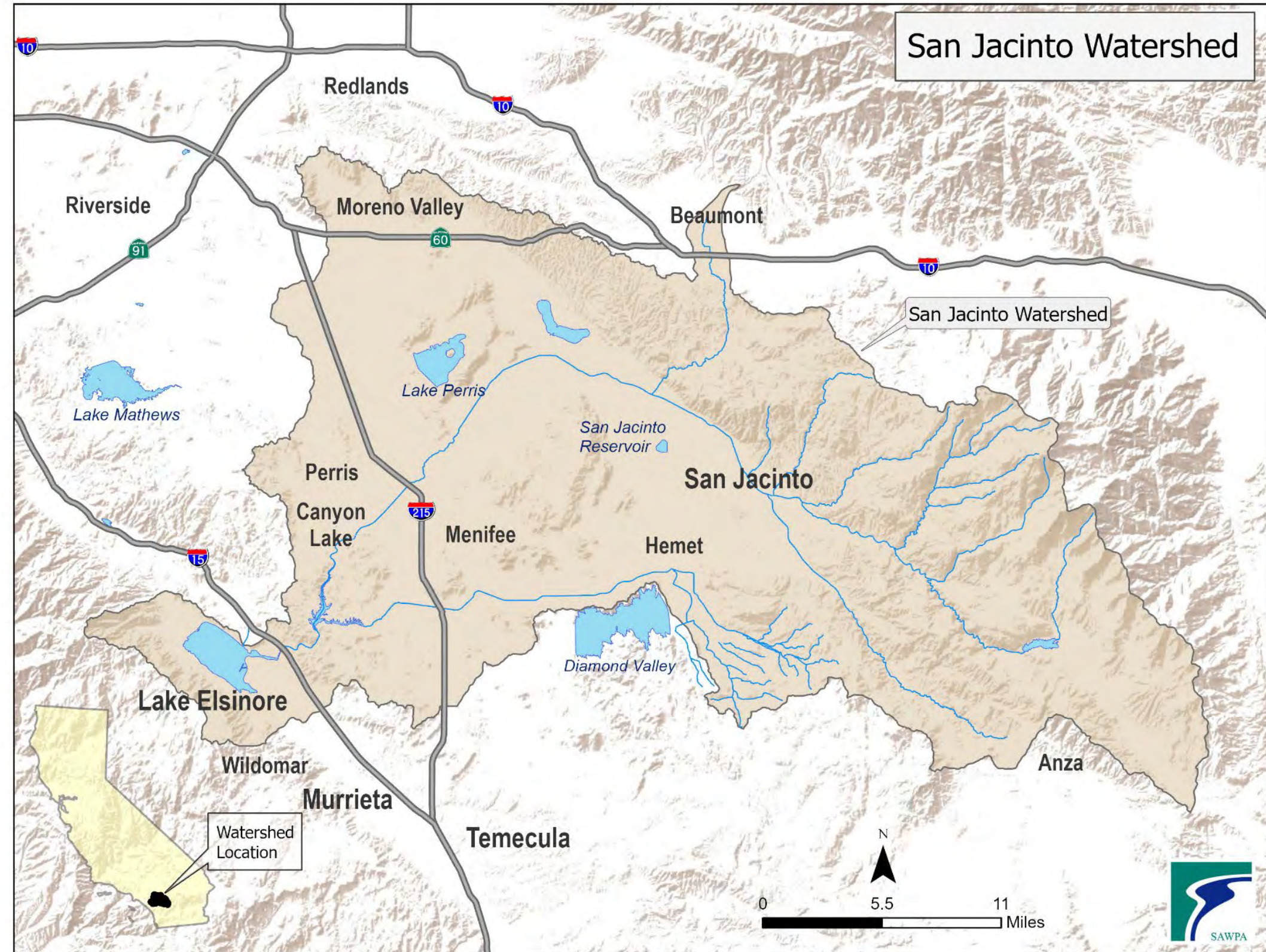
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- Background on LESJWA
- Lake Elsinore and Canyon Lake Water Quality
- Lake Elsinore and Canyon Lake TMDLs (2004)
- TMDL Events / Implementation Activities
- 2024 Updates to TMDLs



# Lake Elsinore and San Jacinto Watersheds Authority (LESJWA)

- LESJWA is a Joint Powers Authority
- Five member agencies:
  - Elsinore Valley Municipal Water District
  - City of Lake Elsinore
  - City of Canyon Lake
  - County of Riverside
  - SAWPA (also LESJWA administrator)
- LESJWA goals:
  - Support projects to improve water quality at Lake Elsinore, Canyon Lake, and the San Jacinto River Watershed.
  - Secure reliable funding to operate and maintain water quality improvement projects
  - Administer the Lake Elsinore and Canyon Lake TMDL Task Force.





Canyon  
Lake

Lake  
Elsinore

Google earth

lat 33.681316° lon 117.305024° elev 1744 ft eye alt 10.01 mi

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# Lake Elsinore and Canyon Lake Basin Plan Objectives and Impairments

LAKES AND RESERVOIRS	BENEFICIAL USE																	
	MUN	AGR	IND	PROC	GWR	NAV	POW	REC1	REC2	COMM	WARM	LWRM	COLD	BIOL	WILD	RARE	SPWN	EST
Peters Canyon, Rattlesnake, Sand Canyon, and Siphon Reservoirs	+	X						X <sup>4</sup>	X		X				X	X		
<b>SAN JACINTO RIVER BASIN</b>																		
Canyon Lake (Railroad Canyon Reservoir)	X	X			X			X	X	X	X				X			
Elsinore, Lake	+							X	X	X	X				X	X		
Fulmor, Lake	X	X						X	X		X		X		X			
Hemet, Lake	X	X			X		X	X	X	X	X		X		X	X	X	
Mystic Lake	I							I	I		I			X	X	X		
Perris, Lake	X	X	X	X	X			X	X	X	X		X		X	X		

X Existing or Potential Beneficial Use  
I Intermittent Beneficial Use  
+ Excepted from MUN (see text)

<sup>4</sup> Access prohibited per agency/company with jurisdiction

## Lake Elsinore

- Nutrients (N, P)
- Low Dissolved Oxygen
- PCBs
- DDT
- Toxicity

## Canyon Lake

- Nutrients (N, P)



## Lake Elsinore and Canyon Lake WQ Problems

- Algal blooms
- Fish kills

## Cause of WQ Problems

- Excessive phosphorus and nitrogen (nutrients)
- Depletion of oxygen

## Sources of Nutrients

- Urban, agriculture, erosion, septic systems
- Nutrient loading occurs during large storm events



# Impairments Triggered Need for TMDLs

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## Purpose and Goal of TMDLs

- Attain and maintain applicable water quality standards
- Account for seasonal variations
- Pollutant by pollutant basis

## Implementation of TMDLs

- Identification of actions/activities (i.e., tasks)
- Numeric targets
- Incorporated into discharge permits

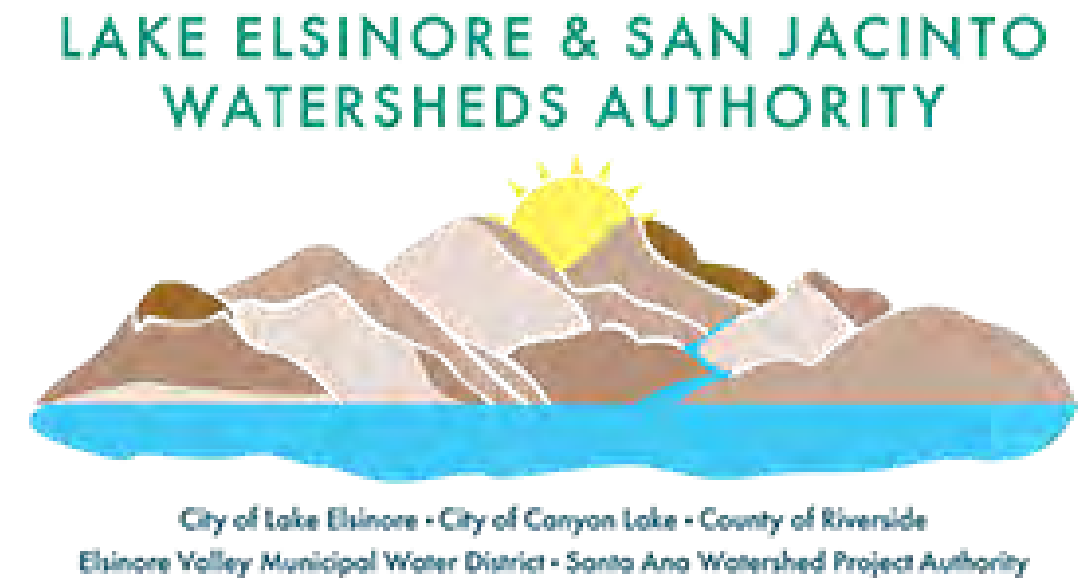
# The 2004 TMDLs

Total Loads, Targets & Load Allocations

# Lake Elsinore and Canyon Lake TMDL Task Force

- Water Quality Control Plan for the Santa Ana River Basin amended to include nutrient TMDLs for Canyon Lake and Lake Elsinore (2004)
  - DO, Chlorophyll a, Ammonia, Total Phosphorus (TP) and Total Nitrogen (TN)
  - Load Allocations (LA) and Waste Load Allocations (WLA) for discharge (non-point sources and point sources)
  - Implementation Plan (activities to meet water quality standards)
- Lake Elsinore & Canyon Lake TMDL Task Force formed by stakeholders (2005)
- LESJWA administers Task Force
  - Coordinate costs of all implementation efforts.
  - Implement TMDL Implementation Plan
  - Reviews TMDL Basin Plan Amendment

} Task Force Agreement



# TMDL Water Quality Objectives

Indicator	Lake Elsinore (by 2020)	Canyon Lake
<b>Total Phosphorous</b>	Annual average of <0.1 mg/L	Same (by 2020)
<b>Total Nitrogen</b>	Annual average of <0.75 mg/L	Same (by 2020)
<b>Ammonia Nitrogen</b>	Acute and Chronic calculated levels	Same (by 2020)
<b>Chlorophyll-a</b>	Summer avg <25 ug/L	Same (by 2020)
<b>Dissolved Oxygen</b>	>5 mg/L 1 meter above lake bottom	Daily avg in hypolimnion of >5 mg/L by 2015

# Wasteload Allocations: Canyon Lake

Canyon Lake Nutrient TMDL	Final Total Phosphorus Load Allocation (kg/yr) <sup>b, c</sup>	Final Total Nitrogen Load Allocation (kg/yr) <sup>b, c</sup>
<b>TMDL</b>	<b>8,691</b>	<b>37,735</b>
<b>Wasteload Allocations (WLA)</b>	<b>486</b>	<b>6,248</b>
Supplemental Water	48	366
Urban	306	3,974
CAFO	132	1,908
<b>Load Allocations (LA)</b>	<b>8,205</b>	<b>31,487</b>
Internal Sediment	4,625	13,549
Atmospheric Deposition	221	1,918
Agriculture	1,183	7,583
Open/Forest	2,037	3,587
Septic Systems	139	4,850

<sup>a</sup> TMDL allocations for Canyon Lake apply to those land uses located upstream of Canyon Lake

<sup>b</sup> Final allocation compliance to be achieved as soon as possible, but no later than December 31, 2020

<sup>c</sup> TMDL and allocations specified as 10-year running average

# Wasteload Allocations: Lake Elsinore

Lake Elsinore Nutrient TMDL	Final Total Phosphorus Load Allocation (kg/yr) <sup>b, c</sup>	Final Total Nitrogen Load Allocation (kg/yr) <sup>b, c</sup>
<b>TMDL</b>	<b>28,584</b>	<b>239,025</b>
<b>Wasteload Allocations (WLA)</b>	<b>3,845</b>	<b>7,791</b>
Supplemental Water <sup>d</sup>	3,721	7,442
Urban	124	349
CAFO	0	0
<b>Load Allocations (LA)</b>	<b>21,969</b>	<b>210,461</b>
Internal Sediment	21,554	197,370
Atmospheric Deposition	108	11,702
Agriculture	60	213
Open/Forest	178	567
Septic Systems	69	608
Canyon Lake Watershed <sup>e</sup>	2,770	20,774

<sup>a</sup> The Lake Elsinore TMDL allocations for urban, agriculture, open/forest, septic systems and CAFOs only apply to those land uses located downstream of Canyon Lake.

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<sup>d</sup> WLA for supplemental water should be met as soon as possible as a 5 year running average.

<sup>e</sup> Allocation for Canyon Lake overflows.

# Task Force Members for LECL TMDL Task Force

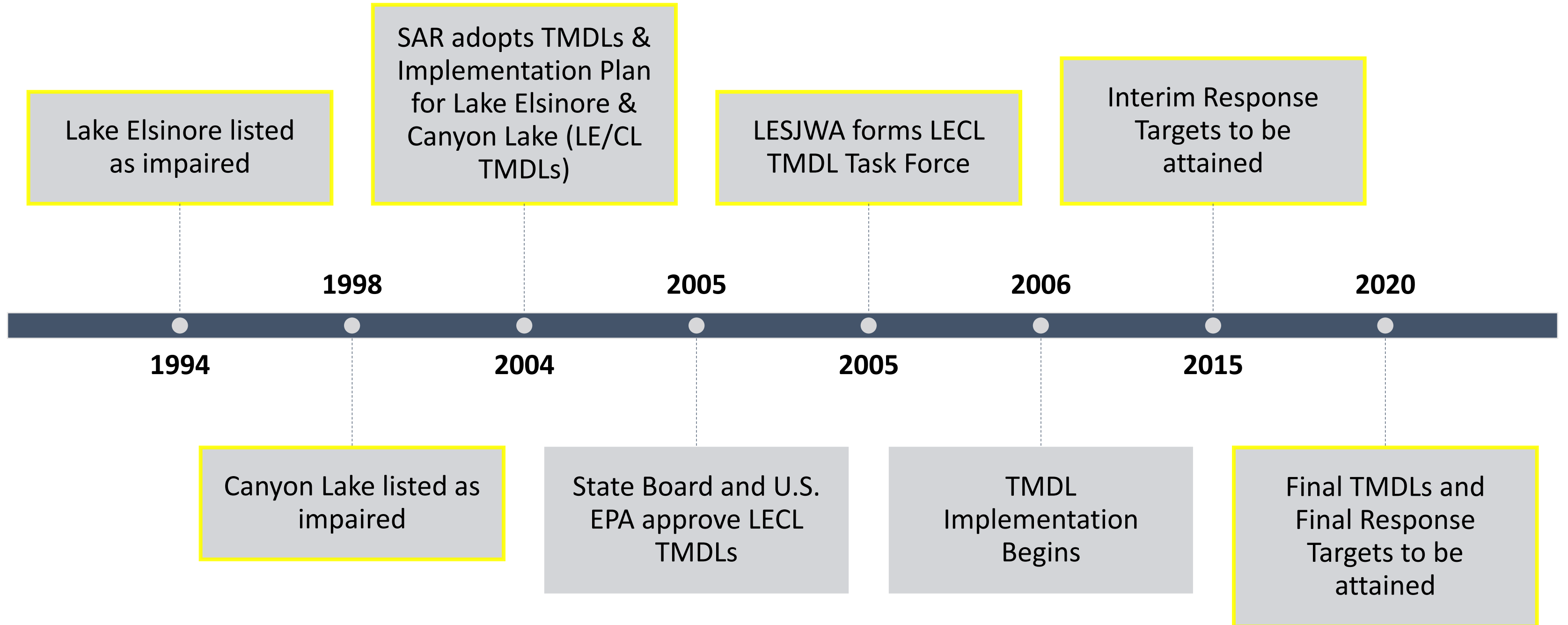
- Riverside County
- Riverside County Flood Control and Water Conservation District
- City of Beaumont
- City of Canyon Lake
- City of Hemet
- City of Lake Elsinore
- City of Moreno Valley
- City of Murrieta
- City of Menifee
- City of San Jacinto
- City of Riverside
- City of Perris
- City of Wildomar
- Caltrans
- CA Dept. of Fish and Wildlife
- Elsinore Valley Municipal Water District
- March Air Force Reserve JPA
- March Air Force Base
- Eastern Municipal Water District
- San Jacinto Ag Operators
- San Jacinto Dairy Operators



# 2004 TMDL Key Events

Timelines for TMDL compliance,  
implementation and related activities

# Timeline TMDL Key Events



# Key Implementation Actions

## Projects/Studies

- Recycled water to Lake Elsinore (2002)
- Carp Removal Program (2002-2008)
- Lake Elsinore Aeration & Mixing System (LEAMS) (2008)
- Application of Alum to Canyon Lake (2013)
- Draft Technical TMDL Report (2018)
- Ag Surface Runoff Water Quality Index (2019)
- Comprehensive Fish Survey Study (2020)

## Regulatory

MS4 Permit included TMDLs (2010)

Nutrient Reduction Plan Implementation (2013/4)

Agricultural Nutrient Management Program (AgNMP)  
submitted to Reg Board (2013)

Conditional Waiver for Agricultural Operations adopted (2013/6)

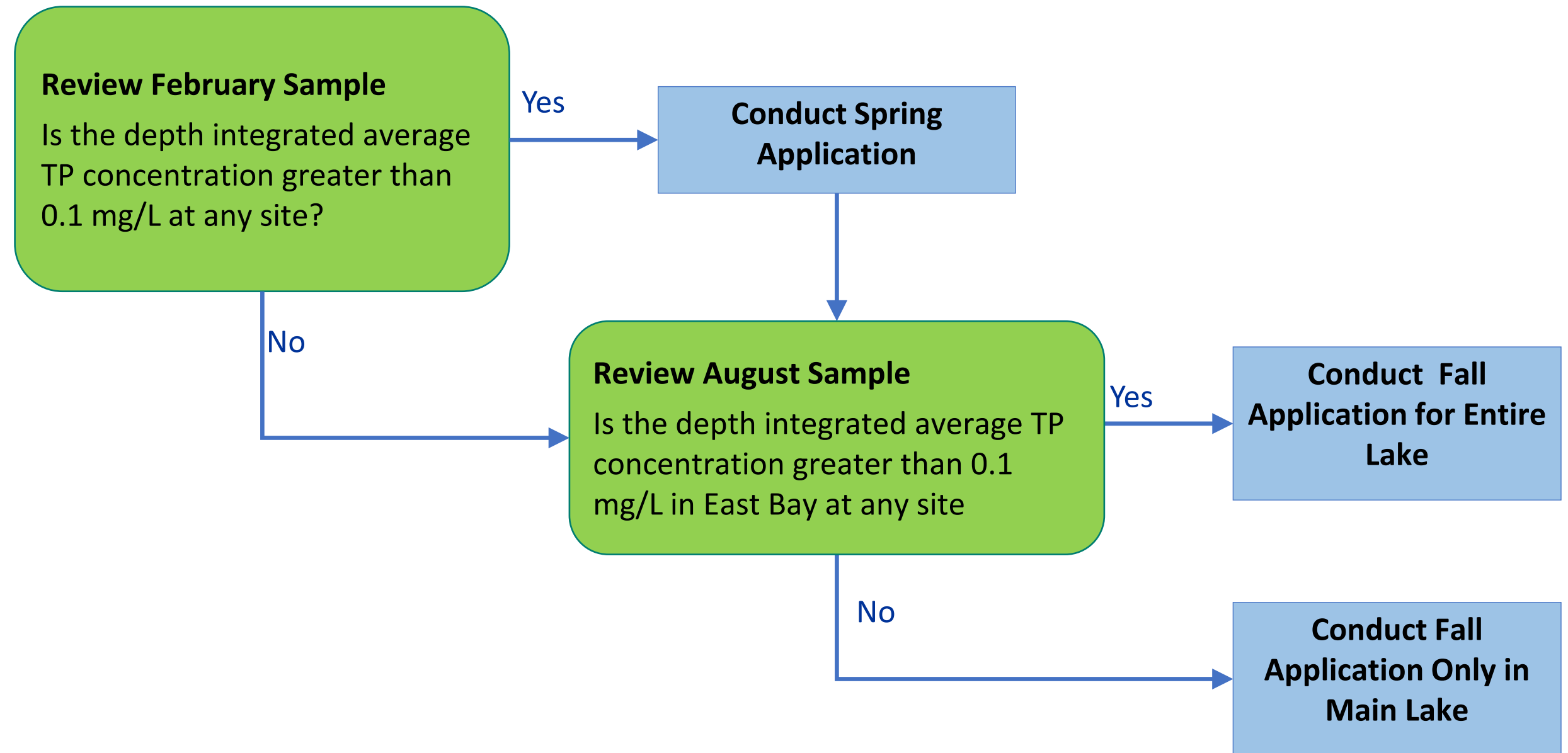
Compliance Assessment Report submitted to SAR (2020)

# Task Force Investments

Activity	Estimated Annual Cost	Estimated One Time Cost
Administration/Regulatory Facilitation	\$145,000	N/A
Monitoring & Reporting	\$235,000	N/A
Canyon Lake Alum Applications	\$240,000	\$120,000 per event
LEAMS Operations & Offsets	\$125,000	N/A
2018 Draft TMDL Technical Report	N/A	\$875,000 - \$1,000,000
2019-2020 Fisheries Study	N/A	\$200,000

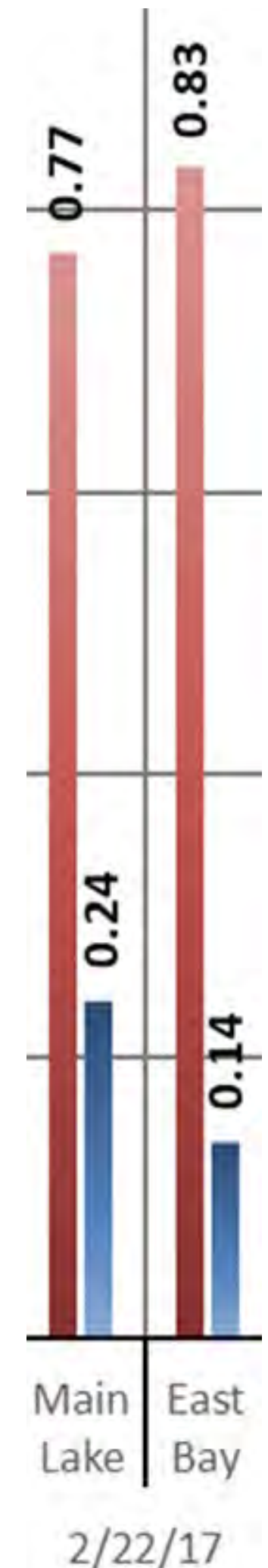
# Routine Alum Application in Canyon Lake

- Alum binds to phosphorous removing it from the water column
- Alum applied lake-wide semi-annually in spring and fall seasons



# Effectiveness of Alum Applications

- Monitoring data in Canyon Lake since 2013 show consistent reductions in **Total Phosphorus (TP)**

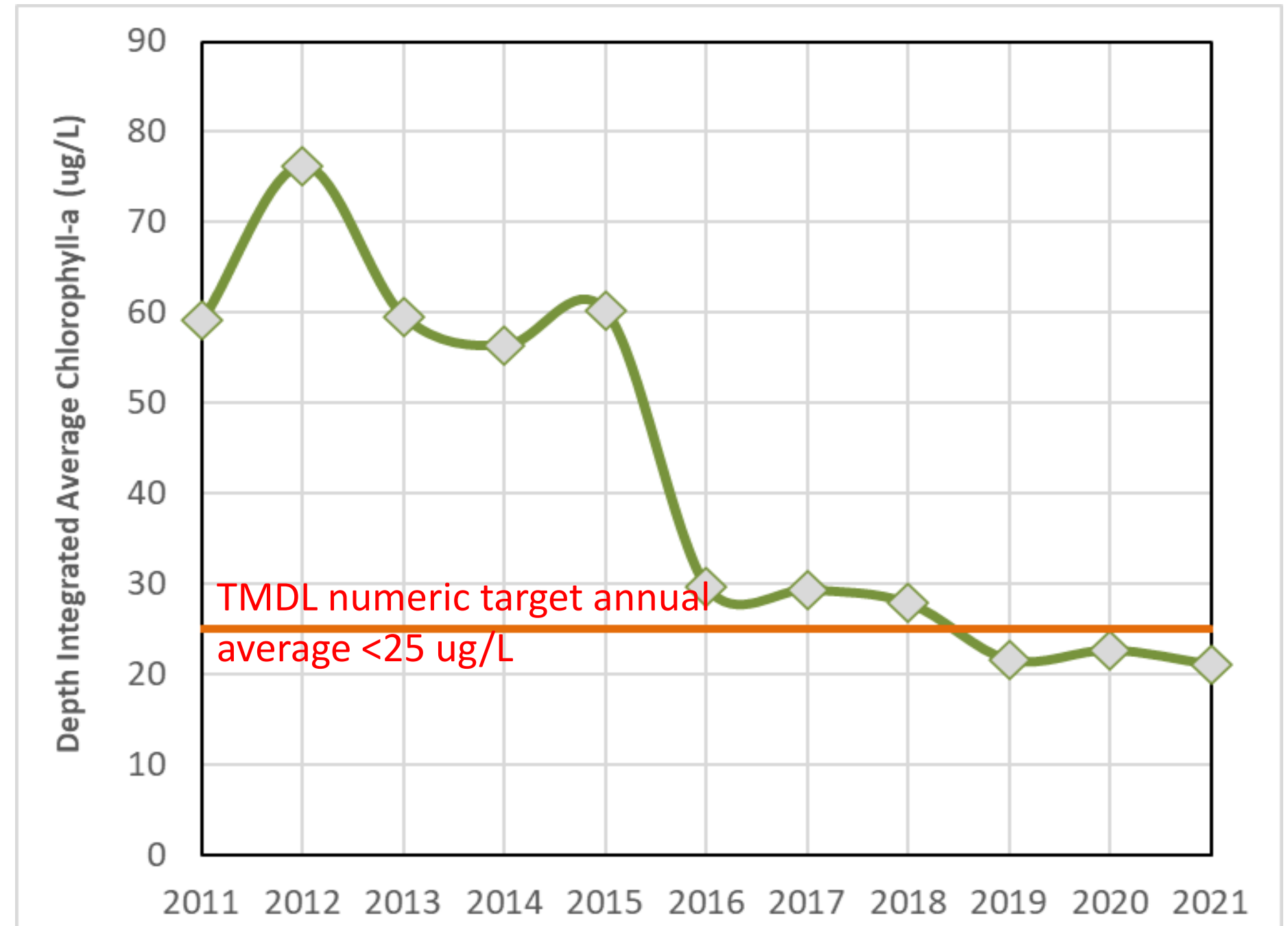


Note: before and after alum sampling dates 8 weeks apart

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# Effectiveness of Alum Applications

- Routine, low-dose, alum additions in Canyon Lake
- Improved water quality that is meeting 2004 TMDL numeric targets for algae



# Overflows to Lake Elsinore

Alum in Canyon Lake causes notable reduction in TP load to Lake Elsinore

Average Wet Weather Nutrients in Overflows to Lake Elsinore	TP (mg/L)	TN (mg/L)
Before Canyon Lake Alum	0.58	1.92
After Canyon Lake Alum	0.27	1.93



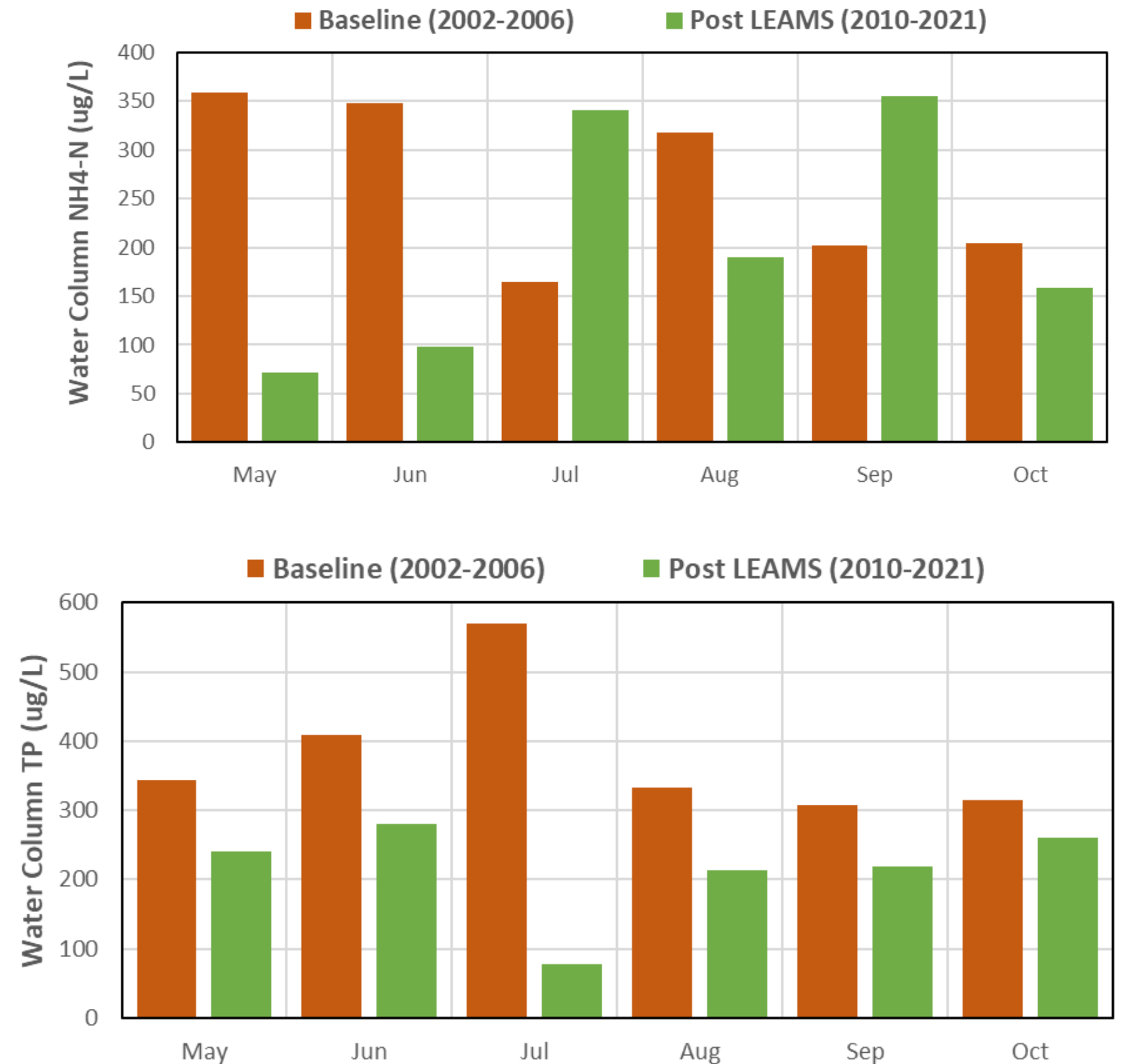
Photo from Wood, 2021 Annual Monitoring Program Report, March 10-15, 2021



# Lake Elsinore Project Implementation

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- Ongoing project implementation including LEAMS, fishery management, and reclaimed water addition
- Monthly effectiveness monitoring comparing nutrients in-lake during baseline (2002-2006) to post project period (2010-2021)
- Results during May-Oct period of LEAMS operation
- Data showed the lake produced sufficient oxygen during the winter months.



# 2020 TMDL Compliance

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In 2020, Stakeholders as a collective met the overall TMDL Allocations



# But, Compliance with 2004 TMDL Is Not Enough

TMDL needs to be revised  
based on 20-years of new  
data & knowledge gained.

# Goals of Revised TMDL

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Goal 1 – Identify and manage **controllable watershed sources of nutrients** that flow into Canyon Lake and Lake Elsinore

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Goal 2 – Identify long-lasting **in-lake controls** that address sediment fluxes and dissolved oxygen levels for protection of aquatic life & recreational beneficial uses

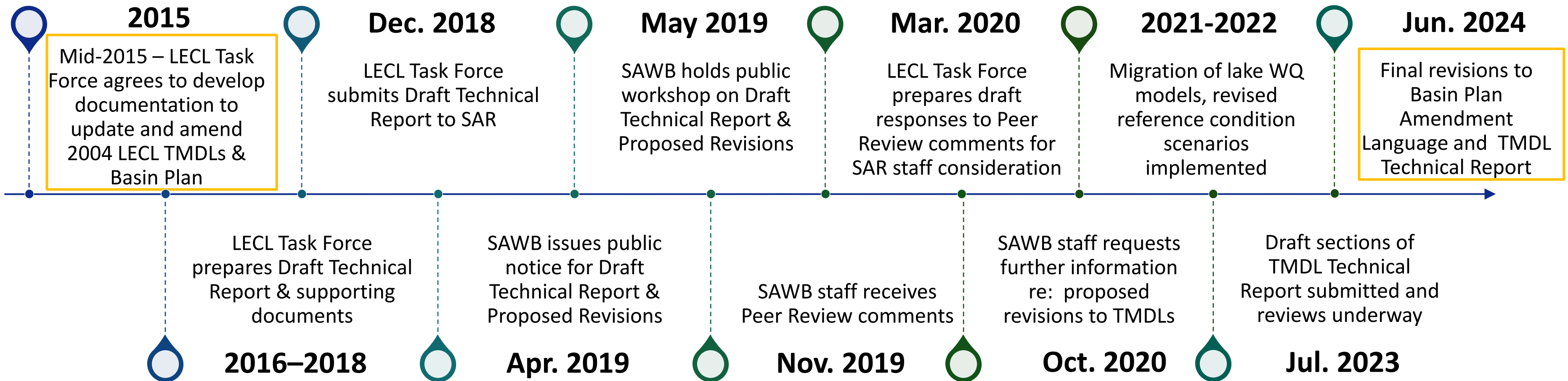
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Goal 3 – Identify **appropriate water quality criteria** for protecting beneficial uses in two dynamic lake systems

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Goal 4 – Provide controllable sources with a **reasonable, feasible and practical pathway** for meeting appropriate water quality criteria

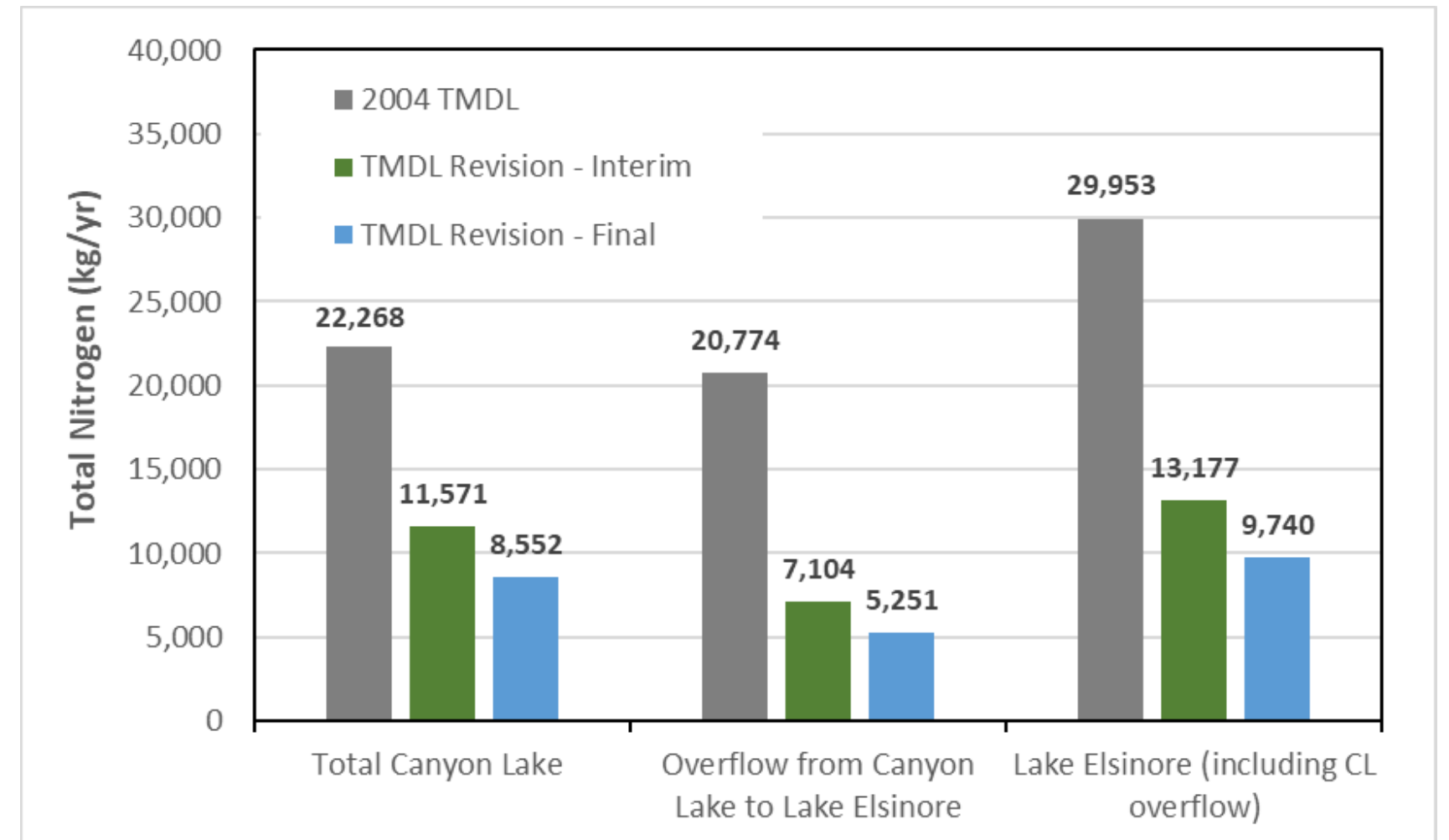
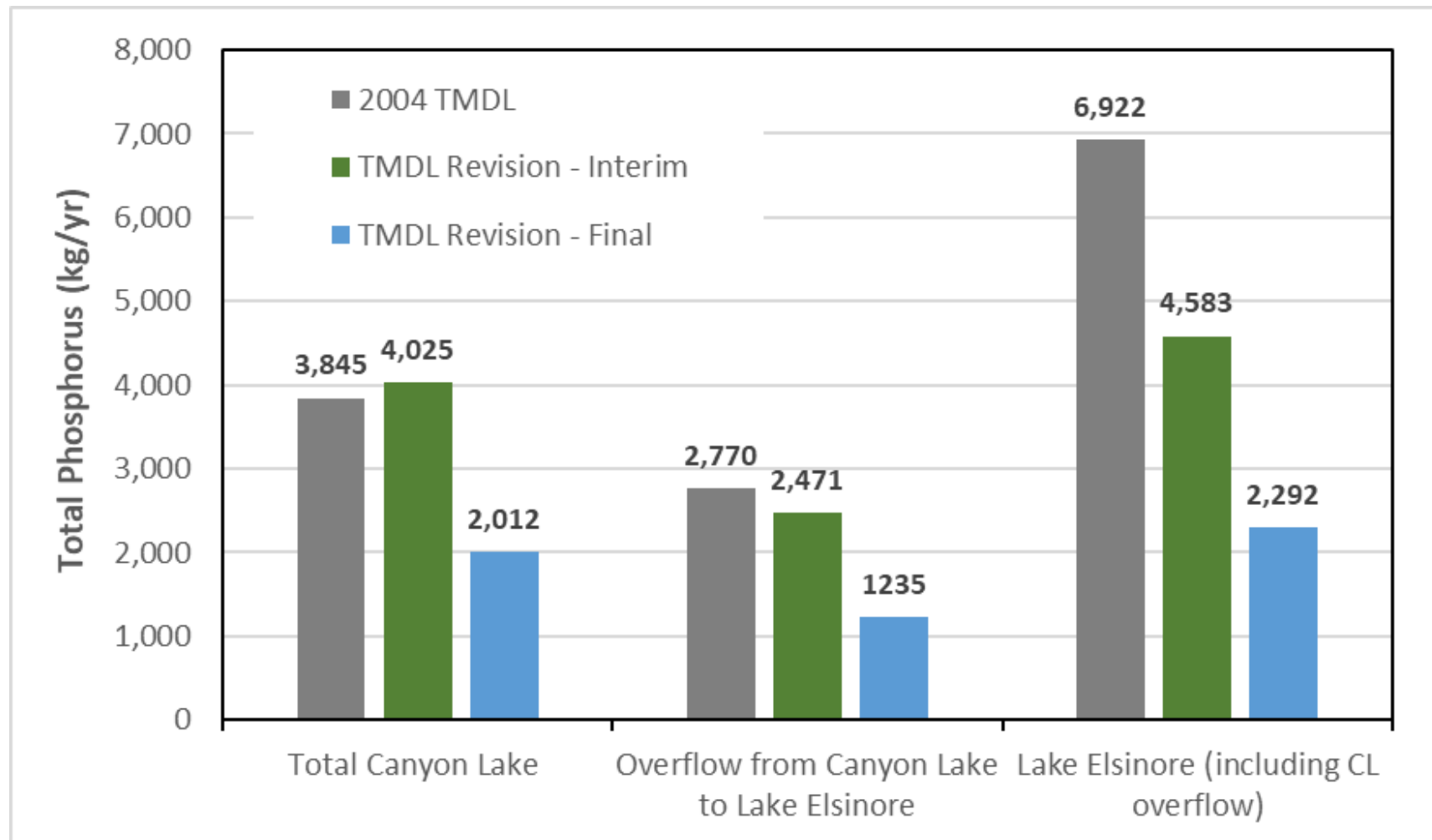
# Timeline of TMDL Update



# General Approach in the Draft Revised TMDL

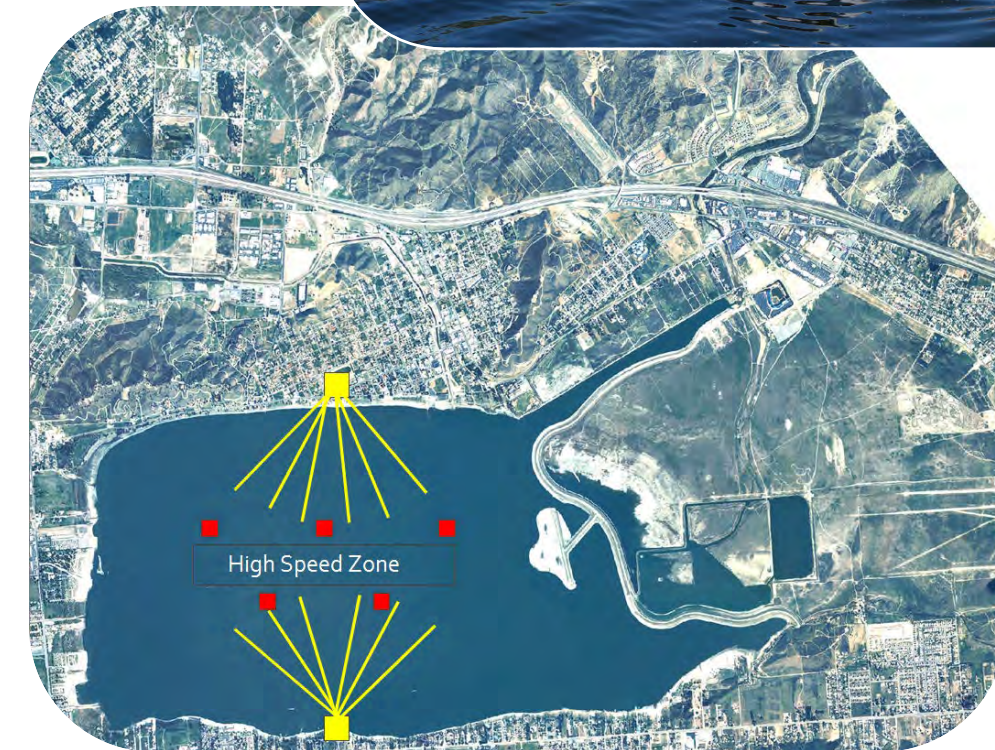
- Numeric targets (chlorophyll a, dissolved oxygen, ammonia) expressed as cumulative distribution frequencies (CDFs)
- Waste load and load allocations for Total N and Total P based on reaching the reference condition
  - That is, natural occurring levels of Total N and P that would enter the lakes from the upper watershed)
- Reference condition defined as being the median and 25<sup>th</sup> percentiles of TP and TN data at Cranston Guard Station

# Revised TMDL Targets



# Draft Plan for Meeting the Interim TMDLs (Phase 2 – Years 1 through 20)

- Evaluate existing In-Lake Water Quality Controls
- Implement Preferred Options
- Special studies
  - Lake bottom sediment sampling
  - Cyanobacteria in Lake Elsinore
  - Fisheries Management
- Evaluate Final TMDLs/Revise if appropriate
- Update and continue monitoring plan





# Draft Plan for Meeting the Final TMDLs (Phase 3 – Years 21 through 30)

- Evaluate In-Lake Water Quality Controls
- Implement new or revised controls, if necessary
- Identify additional load reductions necessary to meet Final TMDLs, and implement
- Special Studies
  - Lake bottom sediment sampling
  - Fisheries Management



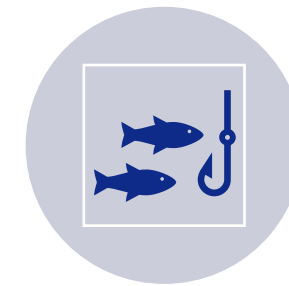
# Task Force Efforts Provide Significant Benefits for LESJWA



Conducts comprehensive watershed and in-lake monitoring



Conducts special studies to better understand lake dynamics



Conducts special studies to evaluate fisheries resources



Provides resources for implementation of in-lake controls through use of offset credits



Evaluates impacts of watershed and in-lake controls



Uses best available science to identify appropriate water quality criteria for controlling nutrient impacts in the lakes



Works closely with Santa Ana Water Board to address nutrient impairments by updating TMDLs



Collaborative Process including watershed stakeholders



Cost savings to individual stakeholders

# Timeline for Revised TMDL and Next Steps





Questions?

# Thank You

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