

An aerial photograph of a large reservoir, likely Lake Mead, with a town in the foreground and mountains in the background. The sky is blue with scattered white clouds. The water is a mix of light blue and green, reflecting the sky and surrounding landscape. The town in the foreground has many houses with red roofs. The mountains in the background are brown and hazy.

# LECL TMDL Task Force Meeting

August 27, 2024

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Regulatory Facilitator

# Update of Task Force Activities re: Revised TMDLs

- Revised draft Basin Plan Amendment language circulated to Task Force
  - July 8, 2024 (completed)
- Draft Executive Summary for Technical TMDL Report circulated to Task Force
  - July 8, 2024 (completed)
- Comments on revised draft Basin Plan Amendment language & draft Executive Summary due to consultants
  - July 29, 2024 (completed)
- Submit final draft Basin Plan Amendment language and Technical TMDL Report to Santa Ana Water Board staff
  - (submitted Final BPA on August 12 & 20/submitted Final Technical Report on August 21)



# Schedule for Consideration by Santa Ana Water Board

AB 2108 Outreach by Santa Ana Water Board

- August-October

Circulation of Tentative Documents for Public Review and Comment (45-day review period)

- Release September

Santa Ana Water Board Adoption Hearing

- December 13, 2024



# Organization of Final Draft BPA–TMDL Components

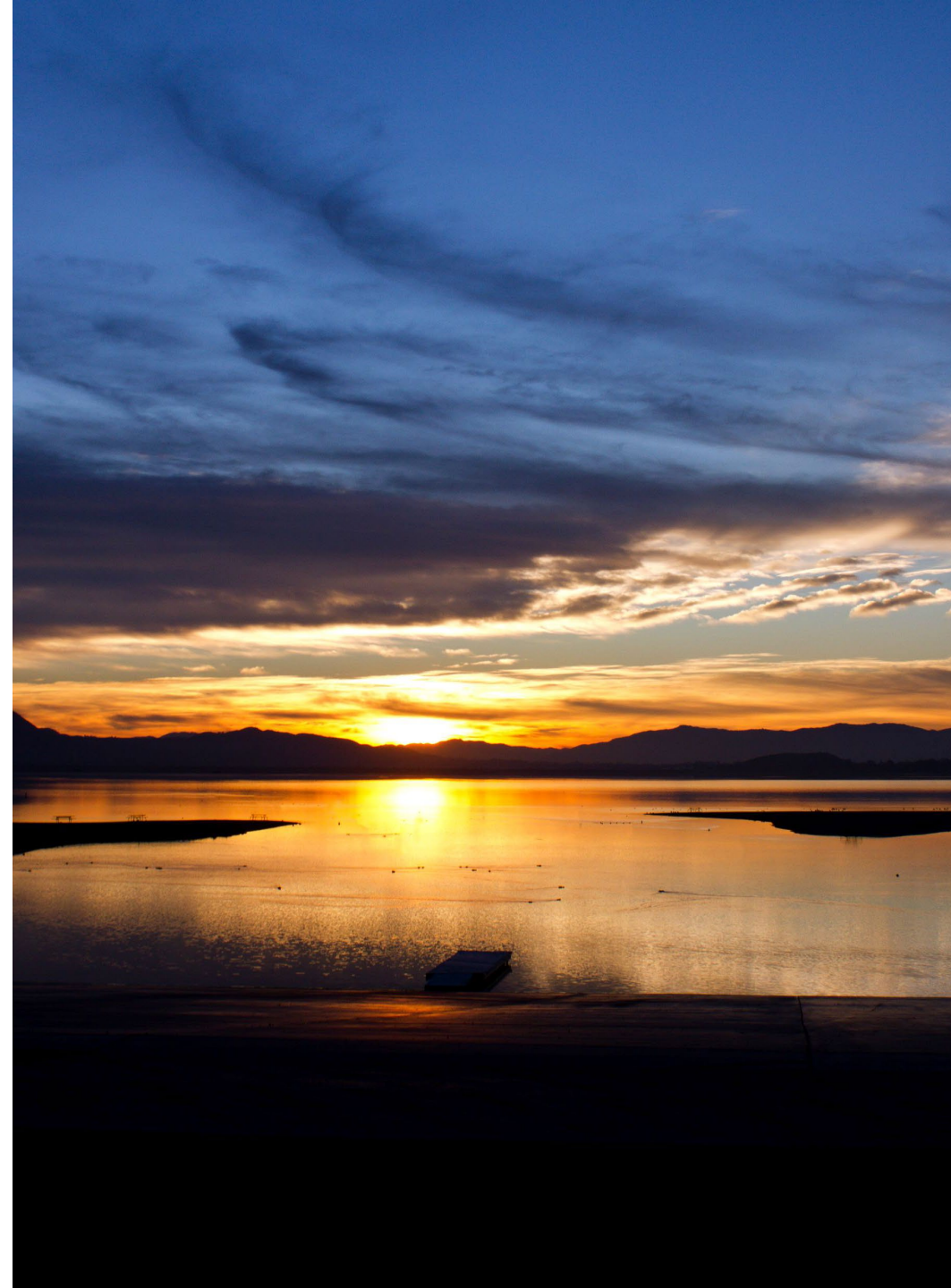
- Problem Statement
- Numeric Targets
  - Phase II Interim Numeric Targets & Phase III Final Numeric Targets
  - CDFs for both lakes: chlorophyll-a, dissolved oxygen, ammonia
  - Goal for total dissolved solids in Lake Elsinore
- Source Assessment
- Linkage Analysis
- TMDLs & Allocations
  - Phase III total allocations, WLAs, & LAs
  - Compliance options by section for meeting Phase III total allocations, WLAs & LAs
- Margin of Safety
- Seasonal Variations & Critical Conditions

# Organization of Revised BPA– Implementation Plan Components

- Identification of Responsible Parties
- Incorporation of TMDLs into Orders of the Board
- Incorporation of Phase II Milestones into Orders of the Board
- Nutrient Offset Programs
- TMDL Reconsideration
- Surveillance & Monitoring Program
- Tasks & Schedule for Phase II
- Tasks & Schedule for Phase III

# Significant Revisions of Interest

- Reorganized Problem Statement
- TDS CDFs clarified – not numeric goals
- Allocations
  - Table provides allocations by sector – not individual jurisdictions
  - Subtracts reference watershed retention
  - Separates out into 3 watersheds
    - Above Mystic Lake
    - Below Mystic Lake
    - Local Lake Elsinore
  - Separate table for EVMWD
    - Compliance with Total Allocations, WLAs & LAs (Revised language for EVMWD to be consistent with current permit language)
- Responsible Party Table (watersheds identified)
- Moved Incorporation of Phase II Milestones
- Task 8 – Timing for Cyanobacteria Study in Lake Elsinore
  - Revised timing for conducting study per comments from Santa Ana Water Board
- Definitions of Terms Section



# Next Steps for Basin Plan Amendments

- Internal Review of BPA by Santa Ana Water Board's Legal Counsel
- Final Edits by Santa Ana Water Board staff
- Notice of Availability and Release for 45-day Public Comment Period
- Prepare Response to Comments from Public Comment Period
- Santa Ana Water Board member briefings
- Santa Ana Water Board consideration for adoption (December 13, 2024)