

# COMPREHENSIVE BACTERIA REDUCTION PLAN

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## List of Acronyms

BMPs	Best Management Practices
BPS	Bacterial Prioritization Score
CAP	Compliance Assistance Program
CBRP	Comprehensive Bacteria Reduction Plan
CEQA	California Environmental Quality Act
cfs	cubic feet per second
cfu	colony forming unit
CII	Commercial, Industrial, and Institutional
COPS	Community Oriented Policing Services
CUWCC	California Urban Water Conservation Council
CWA	Clean Water Act
CWP	Center for Watershed Protection
DAMP	Drainage Area Management Plan
DMM	demand management measures
DWF	Dry Weather Flow
E/CS	Enforcement and Compliance Strategy
EPA	Environmental Protection Agency
ET	evapotranspiration
IC	Incident Commander
IDDE	Illicit Discharge Detection and Elimination
IEUA	Inland Empire Utilities Agency
JCSD	Jurupa Community Services District
LID	Low Impact Development
mL	Milliliters
MS <sub>4</sub>	Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System
MSAR	Middle Santa Ana River
MST	Microbial Source Tracking
MWD	Metropolitan Water District
NPDES	National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System
OCWD	Orange County Water District
POTW <sub>s</sub>	Publicly-owned Treatment Works
QAPP	Quality Assurance Project Plan
RCC	Riverside Community College
RCFC&WCD	Riverside County Flood Control and Water Conservation District
REC-1	Water Contact Recreation
REC-2	Non-Contact Recreation
ROWD	Report of Waste Discharge
RPU	Riverside Public Utilities
RWQCB	Regional Water Quality Control Board
SAR	Santa Ana River
SAWPA	Santa Ana Watershed Protection Authority
SBCFCD	San Bernardino County Flood Control District
SCAG	Southern California Association of Governments
SWQSTF	Stormwater Quality Standards Task Force

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TMDL	Total Maximum Daily Load
UAA	Use Attainability Analysis
USEP	Urban Source Evaluation Plan
USGS	United States Geological Study
UWMP	Urban Water Management Plan
WAP	Watershed Action Plan
WBIC	Weather-based Irrigation Controller
WQMP	Water Quality Management Plan
QWO	Water Quality Objective

# Section 1

## Background and Purpose

The Santa Ana Regional Water Quality Control Board adopted a Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System (MS4) permit for Riverside County on January 29, 2010 that requires the development of a Comprehensive Bacteria Reduction Plan (CBRP). The CBRP is a long term plan designed to achieve compliance with dry weather condition (April 1 – October 31) wasteload allocations for bacterial indicators established by the Middle Santa Ana River (MSAR) Bacterial Indicator Total Maximum Daily Load (TMDL) (“MSAR Bacterial Indicator TMDL”). This document fulfills this MS4 permit requirement. The following sections provide the regulatory background, purpose, and framework of the CBRP.

### 1.1 Regulatory Background

The 1972 Federal Water Pollution Control Act and its amendments comprise what is commonly known as the Clean Water Act (CWA). The CWA provides the basis for the protection of all inland surface waters, estuaries, and coastal waters. The federal Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) is responsible for ensuring the implementation of the CWA and its governing regulations (primarily Title 40 of the Code of Federal Regulations) at the state level.

California’s Porter-Cologne Water Quality Control Act of 1970 and its implementing regulations establish the Santa Ana Regional Water Quality Control Board (RWQCB) as the agency responsible for implementing CWA requirements in the Santa Ana River Watershed. These requirements include adoption of a Water Quality Control Plan (“Basin Plan”) to protect inland freshwaters and estuaries. The Basin Plan identifies the beneficial uses for waterbodies in the Santa Ana River watershed, establishes the water quality objectives required to protect those uses, and provides an implementation plan to protect water quality in the region (RWQCB 1995, as amended).

The CWA requires the RWQCB to routinely monitor and assess water quality in the Santa Ana River watershed. If this assessment indicates that beneficial uses are not met in a particular waterbody, then the waterbody is found to be impaired and placed on the state’s impaired waters list (or 303(d) list<sup>1</sup>). This list is subject to EPA approval; the most recent EPA-approved 303(d) list for California is the 2006 list<sup>2</sup>.

Waterbodies on the 303(d) list require development of a TMDL. A TMDL establishes the maximum amount of a pollutant that a waterbody can receive (from both point and nonpoint sources) and still meet water quality objectives.

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<sup>1</sup> 303(d) is a reference to the CWA section that requires the development of an impaired waters list.

<sup>2</sup> The State Water Resources Control Board recently completed its 2010 303(d) List. This list is currently under review by the EPA.

## 1.2 Santa Ana River Watershed Basin Plan

The Basin Plan designates beneficial uses (including recreational uses) for surface waters in the Santa Ana River watershed (RWQCB 1995, as amended) (see Table 3-1 of the Basin Plan). The following sections describe existing and potential future Basin Plan requirements that are relevant to this CBRP.

### 1.2.1 Existing Basin Plan Requirements

The recreational uses applicable to waterbodies in the MSAR watershed include Water Contact Recreation (REC-1) and Non-Contact Recreation (REC-2). These are currently defined in the Basin Plan as follows:

- *REC-1* - Waters that are used for recreational activities involving body contact with water where ingestion of water is reasonably possible. These uses may include, but are not limited to, swimming, wading, water-skiing, skin and scuba diving, surfing, whitewater activities, fishing, and use of natural hot springs.
- *REC-2* - Waters that are used for recreational activities involving proximity to water, but not normally involving body contact with water where ingestion of water would be reasonably possible. These uses may include, but are not limited to, picnicking, sunbathing, hiking, beachcombing, camping, boating, tidepool and marine life study, hunting, sightseeing, and aesthetic enjoyment in conjunction with the above activities.

To evaluate whether these recreational uses are protected in a given waterbody, the Basin Plan (Chapter 4) currently relies on fecal coliform<sup>3</sup> as a bacterial indicator for the potential presence of pathogens. Fecal coliform present at concentrations above certain thresholds are believed to be an indicator of the potential presence of fecal pollution and harmful pathogens, thus increasing the risk of gastroenteritis in recreational bathers exposed to the elevated levels. Section 4 of the Basin Plan specifies the following water quality objectives for protection of recreational uses:

- *REC-1* - Fecal coliform: log mean less than 200 organisms/100 mL based on five or more samples/30-day period, and not more than 10 percent of the samples exceed 400 organisms/ 100 mL for any 30-day period.
- *REC-2* - Fecal coliform: average less than 2000 organisms/100 mL and not more than 10 percent of samples exceed 4000 organisms/100 mL for any 30-day period

### 1.2.2 Proposed Amendments to the Basin Plan

The RWQCB is currently considering replacing the REC-1 bacterial indicator water quality objectives for fecal coliform with *E. coli* objectives. EPA published revised bacterial indicator guidance in 1986 (EPA 1986) that recommended the adoption of *E. coli* as the freshwater bacterial indicator for pathogens. This guidance was based on epidemiological studies that found that the positive correlation between *E. coli* concentrations and the frequency of gastroenteritis was better than the correlation between fecal coliform concentrations and gastroenteritis.

The RWQCB is considering this Basin Plan revision through the work of the Stormwater Quality Standards Task Force (SWQSTF). Since 2003, RWQCB staff and members of the SWQSTF (which

<sup>3</sup> Fecal coliform and *E.coli* are a group of bacteria considered by the Regional Board as bacterial indicators for pathogens. Within this CBRP, references to fecal coliform and *E.coli* should be considered equivalent to the term bacterial indicators.

includes representatives from the Santa Ana Watershed Protection Authority [SAWPA]; the counties and cities of Orange, Riverside, and San Bernardino; Orange County Coastkeeper; Inland Empire Waterkeeper; among others) have been engaged in the implementation of a workplan that is evaluating both recreational uses and associated water quality objectives. The key proposed amendments, relevant to this MSAR Bacterial Indicator TMDL that are expected to be adopted by the RWQCB in fall 2011 include:

- Clarification of the definition of REC-1 waters;
- Deletion of the current fecal coliform objectives for REC-1 and REC-2 beneficial uses;
- Adoption of geometric mean *E. coli* objectives for REC-1 waters based on EPA (1986) guidance;
- Sub-categorization of REC-1 waters into classes and establishment of a class-specific method for assessing *E. coli* data in the absence of sufficient data to calculate a geometric mean;
- For waters designated only REC-2 (only after approval of a Use Attainability Analysis [UAA] that removes the presumptive REC-1 use), establishment of an antidegradation-based bacterial indicator water quality objective; and
- Temporary suspension of recreational uses during high flow conditions in freshwater streams.

The Basin Plan amendment includes several UAAs to modify presumptive REC-1 uses in the MSAR watershed. These UAAs and proposed recreational use changes include:

- *Cucamonga Creek* – Reach 1, Hellman Avenue (33°56'57.156"N, 117°36'37.476"W) to approximately 750 feet downstream of the confluence of Cucamonga Creek and Lower Deer Creek (34°0'8.7474"N, 117°35'57.372"W); remove both REC-1 and REC-2 uses.
- *Temescal Creek* – Reach 1, from approximately 100 feet downstream of Cota Street (33°53'29.904"N, 117°34'12.432") to the Arlington Drain confluence; remove REC-1 use.
- *Temescal Creek* – Reach 2, from the confluence with Arlington Drain (33° 52' 51.204"N, 117° 33' 15.732"W) to approximately 1,400 feet upstream of Magnolia Avenue (33° 52' 1.992"N, 117° 31' 30.108"W); remove REC-1 and REC-2 uses.

### 1.3 Middle Santa Ana River Bacterial Indicator TMDL

Water quality data collected in 1994 and 1998 from waterbodies in the MSAR watershed showed exceedances of fecal coliform bacterial indicator water quality objectives. Based on these data and potential impacts to recreational uses, the RWQCB recommended that the following waterbodies be placed on the 303(d) list:

- Santa Ana River, Reach 3 – Prado Dam to Mission Boulevard (excludes Prado Basin Management Zone)
- Chino Creek, Reach 1 – Santa Ana River confluence to beginning of hard lined channel south of Los Serranos Road
- Chino Creek, Reach 2 – Beginning of hard lined channel south of Los Serranos Road to confluence with San Antonio Creek

- Mill Creek (Prado Area) – Natural stream from Cucamonga Creek Reach 1 to Prado Basin
- Cucamonga Creek, Reach 1 – Confluence with Mill Creek to 23rd Street in City of Upland
- Prado Park Lake

As noted above, waterbodies on the 303(d) list are subject to the development of a TMDL. Accordingly, on August 26, 2005 the RWQCB adopted Resolution No. R8-2005-0001, amending the Basin Plan to incorporate bacterial indicator TMDLs for the above-listed waterbodies in the watershed (i.e., MSAR Bacterial Indicator TMDL) (RWQCB 2005). The TMDLs adopted by the RWQCB were subsequently approved by the State Water Resources Control Board on May 15, 2006, by the California Office of Administrative Law on September 1, 2006, and by EPA Region 9 on May 16, 2007. The EPA approval date is the TMDL effective date.

The MSAR Bacterial Indicator TMDL established wasteload allocations for urban MS<sub>4</sub> and confined animal feeding operation discharges and load allocations for agricultural and natural sources. The wasteload and load allocations were established for both fecal coliform and *E. coli*:

- Fecal coliform: 5-sample/30-day logarithmic mean (or geometric mean) less than 180 organisms/100 mL and not more than 10 percent of the samples exceed 360 organisms/100 mL for any 30-day period.
- *E. coli*: 5-sample/30-day logarithmic mean (or geometric mean) less than 113 organisms/100 mL and not more than 10 percent of the samples exceed 212 organisms/100 mL for any 30-day period.

The urban discharger requirements are listed as tasks in the TMDL, with Tasks 1.2, 3, 4.1, 4.3, 4.5, and 6 having relevance to this CBRP for Riverside County (Table 1-1). Other tasks included in the TMDL either address urban discharges associated with San Bernardino County or other agricultural discharge requirements.

## 1.4 Riverside County MS<sub>4</sub> Permit

In large metropolitan areas with interconnected MS<sub>4</sub>s, MS<sub>4</sub> permits are often issued to multiple permittees that work cooperatively to implement the requirements. This is the case for the Riverside County area where the MS<sub>4</sub> facilities within the MSAR watershed are permitted under a single area-wide MS<sub>4</sub> permit. The Riverside County Flood Control and Water Conservation District (RCFC&WCD) is the Principal Permittee and the County of Riverside and the Cities of Beaumont, Calimesa, Canyon Lake, Corona, Hemet, Lake Elsinore, Menifee, Moreno Valley, Murrieta, Norco, Perris, Riverside, San Jacinto, and Wildomar are the Co-Permittees.

The first MS<sub>4</sub> permit was issued by the RWQCB to the Riverside County Permittees in 1990. The 1990 MS<sub>4</sub> permit was followed by MS<sub>4</sub> permits issued in 1996 and 2002. With the issuance of each of these permits the number of requirements and the cost of program implementation has increased. It was during the 2002 MS<sub>4</sub> permit that the RWQCB began the adoption of TMDLs that included wasteload allocations applicable to urban stormwater discharges. Although the 2002 MS<sub>4</sub> permit did not include specific TMDL implementation programs, the MS<sub>4</sub> Permittees actively participated in the development and implementation of these TMDLs, including voluntarily funding the creation of a joint MSAR TMDL Task Force and subsequently funding special studies and coordinating compliance activities necessary to address urban contributions to the impairment ahead of permit mandates. As a result of these activities, the Permittees were able to identify and prioritize major MS<sub>4</sub> outfalls for follow-up actions and were also

able to identify and eliminate some specific sources of contamination including homeless encampments and a sewer cross connection.

The 2010 MS4 permit was adopted by the RWQCB on January 29, 2010 (Order No. 2010-0033, National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) No. CAS618033). This permit contains many new mandates, some of which may ultimately assist with managing controllable urban sources of bacterial indicators, including retrofit studies, illicit discharge detection and elimination programs, new development programs and septic system requirements. These programs are required to be implemented by the Permittees at various points in time over the course of the MS4 permit term based on the time RWQCB staff expected the Permittees to need to implement the programs, train staff and other factors such as the need to stage development of multiple permit mandates. In addition, for the first time the MS4 permit explicitly includes TMDL implementation requirements applicable to waterbodies in Riverside County for which TMDLs are effective, specifically Lake Elsinore/Canyon Lake (nutrients) and waterbodies, such as the Middle Santa Ana River (bacterial indicators). The development of this CBRP is a MS4 permit requirement associated with implementation of the MSAR Bacterial Indicator TMDL. The CBRP is designed to provide a comprehensive plan for attaining the MS4 permit's water quality based effluent limits for the MSAR TMDL by integrating existing control programs and efforts with new permit mandates and other additional activities necessary to address controllable urban sources of bacterial indicators.

## 1.5 Comprehensive Bacterial Indicator Reduction Plan

This section provides information on the requirements for CBRP development and the applicability of the plan to urban discharges in the Riverside County area. In addition, information is provided on the general framework of this plan and the process associated with its development.

### 1.5.1 Purpose and Requirements

The need for the development of the CBRP is described in the findings section of the Riverside County MS4 permit, e.g.:

- *Section II.F.7* – “The MSAR TMDL Implementation Plan assigns responsibilities to specific MS4 dischargers to identify sources of impairment, to propose BMPs to address those sources, and to monitor, evaluate, and revise BMPs as needed, based on the effectiveness of the BMP implementation program. These are generally considered as the short-term solutions. The MSAR Permittees are required to develop and implement a long-term solution (a Comprehensive Bacterial Indicator Reduction Plan) designed to achieve compliance with the WLAs [wasteload allocations] by the dates specified in the TMDLs...”
- *Section II.F.14* – “The Permittees are required to develop a CBRP to achieve compliance with the WLAs by the compliance dates. Periodic evaluation and update of the CBRP may be necessary based on a BMP effectiveness analysis to ensure compliance with the WLAs by the compliance dates.”
- *Section II.F.16* – “In the absence of an approved CBRP, the WLAs become the final numeric WQBEL that must be achieved by the compliance dates.”

**Table 1-1. MSAR Bacterial Indicator TMDL requirements applicable to portions of Riverside County.**

Task	Subtask	Required Activity	Schedule/Status
<b>Task 1 – Review/ Revise Existing Waste Discharge Requirements</b>	Task 1.2 – WDR requirements for Riverside County MS4	Review and revise the Waste Discharge Requirements for the Riverside County MS4 permit as necessary to include the appropriate wasteload allocations, compliance schedules and or monitoring requirements	New MS4 permit was adopted on January 29, 2010. Relevant TMDL requirements, including the preparation of the CBRP for dry weather, were included in the permit
<b>Task 3 - Watershed-Wide Bacterial Indicator Water Quality Monitoring Program</b>	NA	All named responsible parties in the TMDL shall, as a group, submit to the RWQCB for approval a proposed watershed-wide monitoring program that will provide data necessary to review and update the TMDL.	All parties (except U.S. Forest Service) are implementing a RWQCB-approved monitoring program collaboratively through the MSAR Task Force (see Attachment A)
<b>Task 4 – Urban Discharges</b>	Task 4.1 - Develop and Implement Bacterial Indicator Urban Source Evaluation Plan (USEP)	Responsible parties in Riverside County (as named in the TMDL) shall develop a Bacterial Indicator Urban Source Evaluation Plan. This plan shall include steps needed to identify specific activities, operations, and processes in urban areas that contribute bacterial indicators to MSAR watershed waterbodies. The plan shall also include a proposed schedule for completion of each of the steps identified. The proposed schedules can include contingency provisions that reflect uncertainty concerning the schedule for completion of the SWQSTF work and/or other investigations that may affect the steps that are proposed. The USEP shall be implemented upon RWQCB approval.	The RWQCB-approved USEP has been implemented by the responsible parties since 2008 (see Attachment A). In addition, this CBRP incorporates the principles/activities of the USEP and replaces its implementation requirements (see Attachment C).
	Task 4.3– Revise the Riverside County Drainage Area Management Plan (DAMP)	The Executive Office shall notify the MS4 Permittees of the need to revise the DAMP to incorporate measures to address the results of the USEP and/or other studies. The revised DAMP will be implemented upon approval by the RWQCB.	The Permittees amended the DAMP in April 2007 as part of their Report of Waste Discharge to include descriptions of specific MSAR TMDL compliance activities. In addition, The January 29, 2010 MS4 permit includes requirements for additional DAMP revisions that are being coordinated with TMDL implementation
	Task 4.5 – Revise the Riverside County Water Quality Management Plan (WQMP)	The Executive Office shall notify the MS4 Permittees of the need to revise the WQMP to incorporate measures to address recommendations of the SWQSTF or other investigations. The revised WQMP will be implemented upon approval by the RWQCB.	As part of the April 2007 DAMP revisions submitted as part of the 2010 MS4 Permit Report of Waste Discharge, the Permittees amended impairment maps used by developers to determine mitigation needs and reviewed and updated bacterial indicator effectiveness data for post-construction BMPs deployed as mitigation for new development. Training programs were also amended to address TMDL requirements. In addition, The January 29, 2010 MS4 permit includes requirements for WQMP revisions that are being coordinated with TMDL implementation and this CBRP
<b>Task 6 – Review or Revision of the MSAR Bacterial Indicator TMDL</b>	NA	RWQCB will review all data and information generated pursuant to the TMDL requirements on an ongoing basis (at least every three years). Based on results from the monitoring programs, special studies, modeling analysis, SWQSTF and/or special studies, changes to the TMDL, including revisions to the numeric targets, may be warranted.	The first Triennial Report was submitted on February 15, 2010; additional Triennial Reports will be prepared in 2013 and 2016 as part of this CBRP (see Attachment F)

Based on these findings, the RWQCB established specific requirements for the CBRP's content. These requirements, found in Section VI.D.1.c.i in the Riverside County MS4 permit, include:

*Section VI.D.1.c.i* - The MSAR Permittees shall prepare for approval by the RWQCB a CBRP describing, in detail, the specific actions that have been taken or will be taken to achieve compliance with the urban wasteload allocation during the dry season (April 1st through October 31st) by December 31, 2015. The CBRP must include:

- The specific ordinance(s) adopted to reduce the concentration of indicator bacteria in urban sources.
- The specific BMPs implemented to reduce the concentration of indicator bacteria from urban sources and the water quality improvements expected to result from these BMPs.
- The specific inspection criteria used to identify and manage the urban sources most likely causing exceedances of water quality objectives for indicator bacteria.
- The specific regional treatment facilities and the locations where such facilities will be built to reduce the concentration of indicator bacteria discharged from urban sources and the expected water quality improvements to result when the facilities are complete.
- The scientific and technical documentation used to conclude that the CBRP, once fully implemented, is expected to achieve compliance with the urban wasteload allocation for indicator bacteria by December 31, 2015.
- A detailed schedule for implementing the CBRP. The schedule must identify discrete milestones to assess satisfactory progress toward meeting the urban wasteload allocations for dry weather by December 31, 2015. The schedule must also indicate which agency or agencies are responsible for meeting each milestone.
- The specific metric(s) that will be established to demonstrate the effectiveness of the CBRP and acceptable progress toward meeting the urban wasteload allocations for indicator bacteria by December 31, 2015.
- The DAMP, WQMP and Local Implementation Plans shall be revised consistent with the CBRP no more than 180 days after the CBRP is approved by the RWQCB.
- Detailed descriptions of any additional BMPs planned, and the time required to implement those BMPs, in the event that data from the watershed-wide water quality monitoring program indicate that water quality objectives for indicator bacteria are still being exceeded after the CBRP is fully implemented.
- A schedule for developing a CBRP needed to comply with the urban wasteload allocation for indicator bacteria during the wet season (November 1st thru March 31st) to achieve compliance by December 31, 2025.

### 1.5.2 Applicability

The applicability of this CBRP is limited to the following:

- *Bacterial Indicator Sources* – The CBRP is designed to mitigate controllable urban sources of bacterial indicators that cause non-attainment of bacterial indicator water quality objectives at the watershed-wide compliance sites.
- *Jurisdiction* – This CBRP only applies to the following MS4 Permittees named in the TMDL: County of Riverside; the Cities of Corona, Eastvale (formerly County of Riverside), Jurupa Valley (formerly County of Riverside), Norco, and Riverside (inclusively the MSAR Permittees).
- *Hydrologic Condition* – This CBRP applies only to urban discharges from the MS4 during dry weather conditions that have the potential to impact the downstream watershed-wide TMDL compliance monitoring site.
- *Seasonal Condition* - This CBRP applies only to urban discharges from the MS4 during the period April 1<sup>st</sup> through October 31<sup>st</sup>.

### 1.5.3 Compliance with Urban Wasteload Allocation

The Riverside County MS4 Permittees have developed a CBRP that is designed to achieve compliance with the dry season urban wasteload allocation by the compliance date of December 31, 2015. Compliance with the wasteload allocations can be measured in several ways:

- Water quality objectives are attained at the watershed-wide compliance sites established as part of the implementation of the TMDL. If not attained, then it must be demonstrated that bacterial indicators from controllable urban sources are not the cause of non-attainment.
- Compliance with controllable urban source wasteload allocations demonstrated from specific MS4 facilities, e.g., sampling demonstrates that controllable urban sources discharged from MS4 outfalls or drains are in compliance with the wasteload allocation during dry weather conditions.
- MS4 facilities, e.g., outfalls, are dry, or that flows from these MS4 outfalls are infiltrating prior to connection with impaired waterbodies, and thus not contributing to dry weather flow (DWF) to downstream waters.

### 1.5.4 CBRP Conceptual Framework

CBRP implementation relies on a step-wise approach that implements key actions to identify controllable urban sources of bacterial indicators, evaluate and select a mitigation alternative, and, where necessary, construct structural BMPs mitigate controllable sources. This pragmatic approach is a direct extension of the already RWQCB-approved watershed-wide compliance monitoring program, Urban Source Evaluation Plan (USEP), and framework being established by the SWQSTF. Coupled with this pragmatic approach is the incorporation of existing and relevant MS4 permit requirements. These requirements are supplemented, where needed, to target controllable urban sources of bacterial indicators.

The demonstration of compliance with the MSAR Bacterial Indicator TMDL (see Section 3) assumes RWQCB adoption of proposed Basin Plan amendments developed by the SWQSTF. These amendments establish the following framework:

First, the bacteria objectives and related wasteload allocations should only be applied to waterbodies designated REC-1 and the RWQCB is working closely to identify the various storm water channels that should be reclassified as REC-2 or REC-X. This assumption governs the range of compliance alternatives that could be proposed in the CBRP. In particular, the MSAR Permittee's plan to install regional treatment facilities where needed to ensure urban discharges comply with bacteria objectives in 303(d) listed streams depends first on amending the Basin Plan to make clear that the same objectives are not intended to apply in the concrete-lined flood control channels that are tributary to natural streams. Without such clarifications, it is uncertain whether regional treatment facilities would be permitted under federal law. The MSAR Permittees have not identified any actions that would be taken to meet bacteria standards if the Basin Plan amendments are not approved because we know of no feasible means to assure compliance with the wasteload allocation at each urban stormwater outfall to every flood control channel.

Second, the CBRP is designed to mitigate controllable urban sources of bacteria to the maximum extent practicable because the MSAR Permittees lack sole authority to determine what mitigation measures will be permitted under law. Several different federal, state and local agencies must approve the various projects designed to achieve compliance with the urban wasteload allocation. And, there is no assurance that such approvals can be obtained given the need to simultaneously protect other designated beneficial uses (e.g. aquatic habitat, groundwater recharge) in the watershed. To the extent that the MSAR Permittees may be restricted from implementing the most effective methods for reducing urban discharges of bacteria, the only legal alternative is to select a different strategy that achieves compliance to the maximum extent practicable. This merely represents a practical regulatory reality and is not intended to serve as an excuse for making anything other than the best effort possible to meet water quality standards.

Third, the MSAR Permittees believe strongly that eliminating controllable discharges is, by far, the best way to assure compliance with the urban wasteload allocation. In general, there should be little or no urban stormwater discharges during dry weather conditions. Mass balance analysis indicates that the greatest water quality improvement would come from focusing on the relatively small nuisance flows associated with excess landscape irrigation and other common activities (car washing, driveway cleaning) common to residential areas. Reducing such flows not only offers the best method for reducing bacterial loads from controllable urban sources, it will help the MSAR Permittees comply with the conservation requirements specified in SB x7-7 (aka "20 percent by 2020"). The fact that similar efforts are already required in the MS4 permit only increases our commitment to implement the strategy with great diligence and a stronger sense of urgency.

Fourth, the CBRP presumes that compliance with the wasteload allocation must be demonstrated by actual water quality monitoring data. Such data will be regularly collected at monitoring sites designated by the RWQCB. Such locations are commonly referred to as "watershed-wide compliance sites." The MSAR Permittees recognize that the Basin Plan and the permit require discharges to meet water quality standards throughout the watershed regardless of which specific locations are selected for routine sampling. The text of the CBRP uses the phrase "watershed-wide compliance sites" to distinguish these locations from other sites, such as those that are part of the USEP, that are sampled far less frequently. The MSAR Permittees fully expect that all water quality monitoring requirements associated with the CBRP will be reviewed and updated on a regular basis and that the RWQCB may request new or different sampling locations before reauthorizing the monitoring plan.

Without adoption of Basin Plan amendments, the estimated cost of compliance with the MSAR Bacterial Indicator TMDL is in excess of \$2 billion, which has the potential to cause significant societal economic hardship (CDM 2010).

### 1.5.5 CBRP Development Process

The CBRP was developed collaboratively by the MSAR Permittees participating in the MSAR TMDL. Development was coordinated with the MSAR Permittees and MSAR TMDL Task Force (see Attachment A), as needed. Activities completed include:

- July 27, 2010 – Presentation was made to the MSAR TMDL Task Force to provide a status update on CBRP development. Presentation was posted by SAWPA on their website.
- August 18, 2010 – Presentation was made to the MSAR TMDL Task Force on the proposed CBRP program. Presentation was posted by SAWPA on their website.
- October 21, 2010 – Presentation was made to the Riverside County City Managers.
- Following submittal of a draft CBRP to the RWQCB in December 2010, Riverside County MS4 program conducted a parallel public review process through the Santa Ana Watershed Project Authority. A draft CBRP was released for public review and opportunity for public comment was provided at a MSAR TMDL Task Force meeting on March 22, 2011. Written comments were received until March 31, 2011.
- RWQCB comments on the draft CBRP (dated March 30, 2011) were discussed with the RWQCB and stakeholders as part of the April 21, 2011 publicly noticed SWQSTF meeting.

### 1.5.6 CBRP Roadmap

The CBRP is presented in two parts: (1) primary sections that provide an executive level summary of the components, schedule, strategy, and technical basis for the CBRP; and (2) supporting attachments that provide additional information to support the primary sections. Following is a summary of the purpose and content of each part of the CBRP:

- **Section 2** – Provides an executive level summary of the following components of the CBRP: Implementation Steps, Program Elements, Implementation Schedule, and Compliance and Iterative/Adaptive Management Strategies.
- **Section 3** – Provides the technical basis for the conclusion that full implementation of the CBRP will achieve compliance with the urban wasteload allocation under dry weather conditions.
- **Section 4** – Provides the schedule for development of the CBRP for achieving compliance with urban wasteload allocations under wet weather conditions.

The above sections are supported by the following attachments:

- **Attachment A, TMDL Implementation** – Documents the outcome of the numerous TMDL monitoring and source evaluation activities completed to date.
- **Attachment B, Watershed Characterization** – Provides background information regarding the general characteristics of the MSAR watershed, including major subwatersheds, key jurisdictions and dominant land use.

- ***Attachment C, CBRP Program Elements*** – Provides additional information relevant to each of the Program Elements summarized in Section 2.2.
- ***Attachment D, Existing Urban Source Control Program*** - Documents existing MS4 permit activities that have been implemented by the Riverside County MS4 permit program.
- ***Attachment E, Implementation Schedule*** – Provides additional information regarding the implementation schedule summarized in Section 2.3.
- ***Attachment F, Glossary***
- ***Attachment G, References***



## Section 2

# CBRP Implementation Program

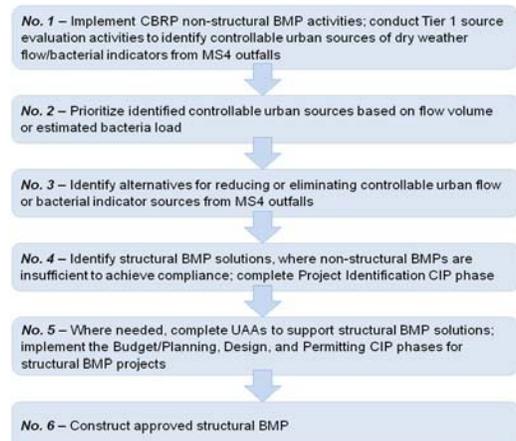
The MSAR Permittees intend to achieve compliance with the wasteload allocation using a variety of implementation strategies, including: Evaluating the need for new water conservation ordinances to reduce urban runoff from landscape irrigation, more rigorous enforcement of existing ordinances to control pet waste, homeless encampments and other illicit discharges, enhanced septic system management, improved street sweeping programs, and other structural Best Management Practices (BMPs) designed to intercept, retain, divert or treat controllable urban runoff during dry weather conditions. A multi-step procedure will be used to select and implement the most appropriate control strategy for each MS4 outfall in Riverside County that is tributary to an impaired waterbody

It is important to note that the MSAR Permittee's CBRP Implementation Steps programs and activities identified below are not uniform at this time. For example, cities with water utilities (Riverside and Corona) tend to have strong irrigation management programs, whereas MSAR Permittees without utilities may need to consider enhancing ordinances or building stronger partnerships with local water purveyors to better manage irrigation runoff. Similarly, some MSAR Permittees have stronger pet waste control ordinances such as Norco's ordinances regulating horse manure disposal due to large equine populations and that community's rural nature. Specific combinations of actions necessary to address CBRP Implementation Steps are therefore dependent on each MSAR Permittee's current programs, available resources and opportunities, and local sub-watershed needs. Therefore, specific actions taken by a MSAR Permittee to address CBRP Implementation Steps will be described in more detail in the MSAR Permittee's Local Implementation Plans. The CBRP includes descriptions of the common Implementation Steps that all MSAR Permittees will take to address the MSAR Bacterial Indicator TMDL; however, the level of individual action required of a Permittee will be dependent on multiple factors that will be and are more appropriately described and addressed in the MSAR Permittee's Local Implementation Plans. .

### 2.1 CBRP Implementation Steps

The Riverside County MS4 Permittees will implement the CBRP using a stepwise project approach. This approach incorporates three distinct steps encompassing six specific actions (Figure 2.1).

**Figure 2.1 Key Implementation Actions**



### Step 1 – Identify, Prioritize, and Evaluate MS4 Dry Weather Flow Sources

Step 1 project activities include implementation of non-structural BMPs (see CBRP Program Elements, below) and inspection activities (No. 1 – Figure 2.1). These inspections (or urban source evaluation investigations) occur systematically in each area draining to a watershed-wide compliance site. For each key drainage area source evaluation activities are implemented to (a) identify controllable MS4 Dry Weather Flow (DWF) sources and their contribution to elevated bacterial indicator concentrations; (b) prioritize controllable DWF sources for follow-up mitigation activity (No. 2 – Figure 2.1); and (c) identify alternatives to mitigate prioritized controllable urban sources (No. 3 – Figure 2.1). Completion of Step 1 achieves four outcomes:

- (1) Prioritized list drainage areas where mitigation of DWF/bacterial indicators is deemed necessary to comply with urban wasteload allocations applicable to the MS4;
- (2) For each prioritized drainage area requiring action, implementation of activities to identify non-structural or structural BMP alternatives to mitigate controllable urban bacterial indicator sources (No. 4 – Figure 2.1).
- (3) If non-structural BMPs can mitigate the source(s), initiation of new, enhanced or more targeted non-structural BMPs (see CBRP Program Elements, below); and

If structural BMPs are needed, completion of the Project Identification phase of the MSAR Permittee's Capital Improvement Project (CIP) Process (Figure 2.2) and determination of the need for a Use Attainability Analysis (UAA) to facilitate a structural BMP solution.

CBRP Step 1 is iterative and will occur over an extended period so that MS4 outfalls in each drainage area can be properly prioritized, investigated and evaluated for mitigation. The expected outcomes from Step 1 activities will be complete in all drainage areas by the first quarter of 2015 (see CBRP Schedule, below).

### Step 2 – Evaluate and Select Structural BMP Projects

The Riverside County MS4 Program anticipates that structural BMPs (outfall-specific or regional) will be required to mitigate some controllable sources of DWF or bacterial indicators. A prioritized list with locations for these structural BMPs is a Step 1 outcome. Under Step 2, the identified structural BMP projects move forward in the CIP Process (No. 5 – Figure 2.1). Step 2 outcomes include:

- (1) Completion of UAAs deemed necessary to support implementation of a structural BMP project.
- (2) Completion of the Budget/Planning phase (see Figure 2.2) for each structural BMP project to incorporate the planned structural BMPs into the MSAR Permittee's CIP.
- (3) Completion of the Design phase (see Figure 2.2) for each structural BMP project after the planned structural BMP is incorporated into the MSAR Permittee's CIP.

Completion of the Permitting phase (see Figure 2.2) for each structural BMP project, which includes receipt of all required authorizations to construct the project.

### Figure 2-2. Typical MSAR Permittee's Capital Improvement Project (CIP) Process

**Project Identification**– Identification of a CIP project occurs through one of two mechanisms:

- Public agency assessment of a particular site's current conditions to evaluate the need for structural improvements. These needs may be identified from observations of agency staff, routine maintenance / replacement schedules, or other sources internal to the agency.
- Receipt of public complaints (presented directly to agency staff or a governing body) regarding an infrastructure concern (e.g., potholes, street flooding), which may result in a site investigation. Based on the outcome of the investigation, an agency may decide that a project needs to be constructed.

**Budgeting / Planning** - After a project need has been established, staff implement a process to have the proposed project included in the CIP. Agency staff begins preliminary planning steps to verify the viability of the project and prepares a cost estimate, which along with other new or ongoing infrastructure needs, is used to prioritize the project based on public need, necessity and available funds. This phase typically involves both project planning and preparation of a preliminary design to support development of the cost estimate. With a project budget prepared, staff seeks approval to incorporate the project in the CIP. In some cases preliminary planning efforts may determine that a proposed project is not viable due to environmental constraints, community opposition, engineering limitations or other factors. In such cases a project is typically abandoned and alternative solutions are considered.

**Design** - Once a project is in the CIP, design work to prepare construction drawings and project specifications can begin. Based on project complexity, the time required to complete the design varies from less than a year to several years. During the design phase, and sometimes beginning in the budgeting / planning phase, staff initiates the CEQA process. Depending on the nature of the project or the need for special permits, obtaining CEQA approval can significantly affect the timeline to construct a project. Projects may also be abandoned in the design phase as the project is further refined. Factors such as changes to the project's preliminary design parameters, soils, groundwater and utility investigations, and regulatory issues can impact the viability of a project during its refinement in the design stage.

**Permitting**– During this phase, all required permits and approvals for construction are obtained. The process for obtaining permits and approvals typically begins during the design phase and sometimes begins as early as the budgeting / planning phase. Depending on the nature of the project or the need for special permits, obtaining all required permits and approvals can significantly affect the timeline to construct a project and in some cases result in cancellation of the project. If this occurs, then alternative solutions are considered.

**Construction**– Construction can begin upon design completion, receipt of all required permits and approvals, completion of all administrative requirements and availability of funds. Depending on the complexity and size of the project, right of way acquisition timelines, CEQA documentation and approvals, and involvement of other agencies, e.g., utilities, the construction phase can take anywhere from a few months to several years.

Similar to the Step 1 schedule, Step 2 will occur over an extended period to move each planned structural BMP project forward to the point where the final CIP phase can be initiated – Construction. Because Step 2 includes initiation of the CEQA process, the timeline for moving all planned structural BMPs to the point where construction can be initiated may be lengthy. Also, as noted above, situations may occur where through the planning and design phases a proposed project is determined to be infeasible. If that occurs, a different alternative to mitigate the controllable urban bacterial indicator source will be sought.

### Step 3 – Construct Structural BMP Projects

Step 3 focuses on construction of structural BMP projects. For the most part, it is expected that projects will be constructed in the same order as originally prioritized during Step 1. However, it is possible that delays caused by the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) process or funding limitations could impact the project construction schedule prioritization. The schedule for construction cannot be established at this time given MSAR Permittee's requirements that each project move through the MSAR

Permittee's CIP process. As construction dates become known, these will be reported to the RWQCB as part of the CBRP reporting process.

## 2.2 CBRP Program Elements

The MS4 Permit established four required CBRP program elements (Section VI.D.1.c.1, MS4 Permit). These elements, which are tools for implementing the CBRP, encompass a range of potential non-structural and structural BMP activities:

- Element 1 - Ordinances
- Element 2 - Specific BMPs
- Element 3 - Inspection Criteria (for the purposes of the CBRP, this element includes urban source evaluation activities)
- Element 4 - Regional Treatment (for the purposes of the CBRP, this element includes both outfall-specific and regional structural BMP projects)

Table 2.1 summarizes the relationship among these required CBRP program elements and the three implementation steps and associated implementation actions described above (see Figure 2-1). The following sections summarize the key components of each CBRP program element (see Attachment C for a detailed presentation of these elements).

**Table 2.1. Relationship between Implementation Steps and Actions and Required CBRP Elements**

CBRP Steps	Implementation Actions (Figure 2-1)	Relevant Required CBRP Elements
1	Nos. 1, 2, 3, and 4	Elements 1, 2, 3
2	No. 5	Element 4
3	No. 6	Element 4

### Element 1 – Ordinances

The CBRP requires the identification of specific ordinances that will be adopted during implementation to reduce bacterial indicators in controllable urban DWF sources. Two types of ordinances have been included in the CBRP: Water Conservation and Pathogen Control. Following is a brief statement regarding the purpose and potential water quality benefits that may be incurred.

#### Water Conservation Ordinance

*Purpose* – Evaluate the existing water conservation ordinances to determine if adequate authority available to manage water use to reduce DWF to the MS4.

*Implementation Approach* – Permittees will evaluate existing ordinances and authority (including enforcement authority) available to manage dry weather runoff from water use practices in their respective jurisdictions. Modifications to these ordinances will be made, where appropriate. This effort will be implemented in coordination with water purveyors and implementation of BMPs related to irrigation or water conservation practices (see below).

*Expected Benefits* – Improved water management reduces dry weather discharge to the MS<sub>4</sub>, which reduces opportunity for the discharge to or mobilization of bacteria in the MS<sub>4</sub>. A corollary benefit is enhanced water conservation consistent with other state policies and regulatory requirements.

#### **Pathogen Control Ordinance**

*Purpose* – Evaluate existing ordinances to improve management of animal wastes to control known pathogen or bacterial indicator sources.

*Implementation Approach* – Permittees will evaluate existing ordinances and consider adoption of new ordinances to implement this BMP. Based on this evaluation the Permittees will revise existing ordinances or adopt new ordinances, as needed, to fulfill this CBRP requirement and comply with the MS<sub>4</sub> permit requirement to “promulgate and implement ordinances that would control known pathogen or bacterial indicator sources such as animal wastes, if necessary”.

*Expected Benefits* – Establishing requirements to manage animal wastes in a manner that reduces opportunity for bacteria contained in these wastes to be entrained in DWF reduces the potential for bacteria to be mobilized and discharged to receiving waters through the MS<sub>4</sub>

#### **Element 2 – Specific BMPs**

The CBRP requires the identification of specific BMPs that will be implemented to reduce controllable urban sources of bacterial indicator. Selected BMPs range from programmatic activities that set the stage for other CBRP elements (e.g., DWF source evaluation activities) to specific activities that can reduce DWF or mitigate controllable urban sources of bacterial indicators. Some of the included BMPs are also MS<sub>4</sub> permit requirements. In addition, some of the selected BMPs may be coordinated between Riverside and San Bernardino County to streamline the level of effort required to implement the BMP.

#### **Transient Camps**

*Purpose* – Evaluate potential for transient camps to contribute bacterial indicators to MS<sub>4</sub> DWF, and if determined necessary, develop and implement transient camp closure activities.

*Implementation Approach* – The RCFC&WCD currently implements a program to identify and remove transient encampments from within the MS<sub>4</sub>. The program is implemented to protect the health and safety of the homeless as well as to eliminate pollution to the MS<sub>4</sub> caused by the encampments. MSAR Permittees will as part of their source assessment programs, identify locations of suspected transient encampments that may be located outside of the MS<sub>4</sub>, but still impact water quality; implement investigations to determine potential for encampment to contribute controllable bacterial indicators to DWF, and, as determined appropriate, implement transient camp closures in coordination with appropriate local agencies.

*Expected Benefits* – Closure of transient camps in locations where it is determined that the encampment is contributing bacterial indicators to DWF eliminates a bacterial indicator source.

#### **Illicit Discharge, Detection and Elimination Program**

*Purpose* – The MS<sub>4</sub> permit requires the development of an Illegal Discharge Detection and Elimination (IDDE) program to supplement ongoing permit implementation efforts. Completion of this requirement will enhance existing tools to reduce or eliminate DWF to the MS<sub>4</sub>.

*Implementation Approach* – The MSAR Permittees will complete development of this program as required by the MS4 Permit by July 29, 2011. The program will be used to support MS4 inspection activities to reduce or eliminate DWF to the MS4 (see below).

*Expected Benefits* – Completion of this program provides additional tools to guide efforts to reduce or eliminate DWF to the MS4.

#### **Street Sweeping**

*Purpose* – Evaluate existing street sweeping programs to determine if the ongoing program can be enhanced to further reduce presence of controllable bacterial indicators on street surfaces.

*Implementation Approach* – Each MSAR Permittees will evaluate the existing street sweeping program (e.g., method, frequency, and equipment) to determine potential to modify the program to further reduce bacteria on street surfaces. Where opportunities exist, changes will be made to the program. If it is determined that a change in equipment can provide water quality benefits, the MSAR Permittees will work with their respective governing bodies to obtain funding to upgrade/replace equipment.

*Expected Benefits* – Reductions in bacterial indicators in MS4 outfalls (as a result of mobilization by DWF to the MS4) may occur where it is determined that enhancements to the existing street sweeping program will further reduce bacteria present on street surfaces.

#### **Irrigation or Water Conservation Practices**

*Purpose* – Implementation of BMP practices that reduce potential for over-irrigation and discharge of irrigation water to the MS4.

*Implementation Approach* – Each MSAR Permittee will evaluate options and minimum requirements for implementation of irrigation and outdoor water conservation BMPs. Implementation will be closely coordinated with the Water Conservation Ordinance activity described above and with local water purveyor conservation programs. Based on the findings of the evaluation and in coordination with other agencies tasked with implementation water conservation activities, the MSAR Permittees and water purveyors will coordinate implementation of outdoor water conservation BMPs.

*Expected Benefits* – Improved local water management will reduce dry weather water use discharges to the MS4, which will reduce opportunity for discharge or mobilization of bacteria as a result of MS4 discharge. A corollary benefit is enhanced water conservation consistent with other state policies and regulatory requirements.

#### **Water Quality Management Plan Revision**

*Purpose* – The MS4 Permit requires updates to the MS4 Permittee’s WQMP Guidance to incorporate low impact development (LID) practices to reduce runoff from new development and significant redevelopment activities. This requirement is included as a BMP since implementation of LID practices can reduce DWF to the MS4, especially where they are applied to significant redevelopment activities.

*Implementation Approach* – The MSAR Permittees will submit a revised WQMP Guidance to the RWQCB for approval by July 29, 2011. Once implemented, LID practices will be applied to development projects subject to the LID-based requirements.

*Expected Benefits* – For new development the benefits are expected to be mostly limited to wet weather runoff. However, for significant redevelopment projects, the potential for reduced DWF to the MS4 will

be realized through the reconfiguration of the site to accommodate LID practices (e.g., runoff from irrigation can be managed to stay onsite rather than runoff to the MS<sub>4</sub>).

### **Septic System Management**

*Purpose* – Evaluate potential for septic systems in the County to contribute controllable bacterial indicators to the MS<sub>4</sub> during dry weather conditions.

*Implementation Approach* – The MSAR Permittees will develop an inventory of existing septic systems, map the location of these facilities relative to the MS<sub>4</sub> to evaluate potential impacts to water quality in the MS<sub>4</sub>, conduct public education to ensure proper operation and maintenance of septic systems, and conduct inspection and enforcement activities, where appropriate to reduce potential for septic systems to impact water quality.

*Expected Benefits* – Implementation of this BMP reduces the potential for septic systems to contribute bacterial indicators to the MS<sub>4</sub> during dry weather conditions.

### **Pet Waste Management**

*Purpose* – Implementation of BMPs that target areas where there is a high volume and concentration of pet waste, e.g., dog parks and kennels.

*Implementation Approach* – Each MSAR Permittee will evaluate existing authority and programs to manage pet waste to identify opportunities to further target BMPs to manage pet waste. Where appropriate, MSAR Permittees will implement these BMPs. This effort will be coordinated with activities associated with the development of a bacterial indicator control ordinance (see Element 1).

*Expected Benefits* – BMPs targeted specifically to pet waste management (in association with a pathogen control ordinance) can support compliance at a local scale, where pet activities are concentrated.

## **Element 3 – Inspection Criteria (Urban Source Evaluation)**

*Purpose* – Implementation of urban source evaluation activities provides the data required to determine the potential for an MS<sub>4</sub> outfall or drainage area to discharge controllable sources of bacterial indicators. The results of this evaluation dictate next steps in the CBRP implementation process.

*Implementation Approach* – The MSAR Permittees will implement urban source evaluation activities using a comprehensive, methodical approach that provides data to make informed decisions regarding the potential for an MS<sub>4</sub> outfall or group of outfalls to discharge controllable sources of bacterial indicators. This approach relies on the following activities:

- *Tier 1 Reconnaissance* – Tier 1 sites are defined as locations where urban sources of DWF may directly discharge to a downstream watershed-wide compliance site. Some of the Tier 1 sites are at the same locations sampled as part of implementation of the USEP in 2007-2008. Additional Tier 1 sites have been included, where needed, to supplement existing information. Many of these Tier 1 locations may be dry, have minimal DWF, or not be hydrologically connected to downstream waters. However, until a reconnaissance is completed, their potential to contribute controllable sources of bacterial indicators is unknown.
- *Prioritization* – Based on the findings from Tier 1 data collection activities, MS<sub>4</sub> drainage areas with potentially controllable urban sources of bacterial indicators will be prioritized based on factors such as the magnitude of bacterial indicator concentrations and results from source

tracking analyses. Areas with human sources (as compared to anthropogenic sources such as domestic pets) will receive the highest priority for action.

- *Evaluate Mitigation Alternatives* – In order of priority, prioritized drainage areas will be further evaluated to identify non-structural or structural alternatives (or some combination of both) for mitigating controllable urban sources of bacterial indicators. As needed, this controllability assessment will include reconnaissance of Tier 2 sites and the use of IDDE methods to identify and evaluate alternatives. Tier 2 sites are tributary to Tier 1 outfalls. Tier 2 sites are predominantly locations where underground storm drains discharge to open channels. If a Tier 2 site is determined to be a potential contributor to non-compliance, additional inspection activities may occur to identify the nature and source of the DWF and bacterial indicators and evaluate controllability.
- *Select Mitigation Alternatives* – The MSAR Permittees will select a mitigation alternative to mitigate controllable urban bacterial indicator sources in each prioritized drainage area. If the selected alternative involves a structural BMP, the Project Identification phase of the CIP process is implemented to establish the project need.

*Expected Benefits* – This element is key to CBRP implementation as it provides the data required to make informed decisions regarding (1) selection of BMPs to mitigate controllable urban sources of bacterial indicators; (2) establishment of a priority, process, and schedule to implement the selected mitigation alternative.

#### **Element 4 – Regional Treatment (Structural Controls)**

*Purpose* – Plan, design and construct structural BMPs to mitigate controllable urban sources of DWF and bacterial indicators. BMP projects may be regional (address controllable sources from multiple outfalls) or outfall-specific.

*Implementation Approach* – The outcomes from CBRP Step 1 implementation will result in the identification of at least some structural BMPs to manage controllable urban bacterial indicator sources. The potential locations for a number of structural BMPs have been identified already by the Riverside County 2005 BMP Siting Study (to be updated as part of the development of the MS4 Permittee’s Watershed Action Plan). Under CBRP Step 1 the Permittees will use this work to support evaluation of alternatives for implementing structural BMPs to mitigate a controllable urban source.

Once a structural BMP project is identified and successfully incorporated into the CIP, budget/planning, design, permitting, and construction phases of the project commence. In addition, if a UAA is needed to ensure the success of the project, UAA development will commence as well (see additional information, above). Completion of structural BMP projects is subject to governing body approval, CEQA approval and funding availability. Accordingly, the length of time from project identification to construction completion will be highly variable. Also, as noted above, situations may occur where through the planning and design phases a proposed project is determined to be infeasible. If that occurs, a different alternative to mitigate the controllable urban bacterial indicator source will be sought.

*Expected Benefits* – Completion of structural BMPs, where determined necessary, will mitigate controllable urban sources of bacterial indicators.

## 2.3 Implementation Schedule

Figure 2-3 summarizes the CBRP implementation schedule for the various required CBRP elements. A more detailed schedule, which includes information regarding milestones, metrics and responsibilities, is provided in Attachment E. Color differences in the timeline for a particular activity illustrate shifts from BMP development to BMP implementation. For example, until a structural BMP has been successfully incorporated into the CIP, the structural BMP is considered in development. However, once in the CIP, the BMP can now be implemented, unless the project is determined to be infeasible during the final planning, design and/or permitting phases.

Elements 1, 2, and 3 will be completed and fully implemented by December 31, 2015. It is expected that Elements 1, 2 and 3 should independently attain the MS4 permit's water quality based effluent limits for the MSAR Bacterial Indicator TMDL (See Section 3). However, Capital Projects may be more cost effective or necessary in some cases to attain the water quality based effluent limits. Element 4 will identify structural BMPs by December 31, 2015 believed necessary to attain the MS4 permit water quality-based effluent limits for the MSAR Bacterial Indicator TMDL. Completion of subsequent CIP process phases will likely occur beyond the end of 2015.

Attachment E identifies responsibilities for implementation of CBRP activities. In general:

- Elements 1 and 2 – Individual MSAR Permittees will be responsible for most of these tasks, unless the area-wide MS4 program is identified as the lead for programmatic aspects; however, once specific actions are required at the local level, e.g., ordinance development, responsibility shifts to the individual MSAR Permittee.
- Element 3 – The MSAR Permittees will jointly, through partnerships with the RCFC&WCD and/or the MSAR TMDL Task Force, implement Tier 1 and Tier 2 data collection and identification of mitigation alternatives. Specific activities within prioritized areas will be lead by the MSAR Permittee with jurisdiction over the targeted drainage area.
- Element 4 – All BMP activities associated with this element will be led by the MSAR Permittee with jurisdiction over the area targeted for a BMP.

## 2.4 Compliance and Iterative/Adaptive Management Strategies

The CBRP establishes a program to reduce controllable urban sources of bacterial indicators based on currently available information. Significant uncertainties remain considering the state of science regarding bacterial indicator management in urban environments (e.g., CREST 2007). Additionally, bacterial indicator sources are not static; e.g. homeless encampments are transitory in nature and the significance and magnitude of their impacts on water quality may be the function of various factors including the economy, available social service programs and other factors beyond the MSAR Permittees control. Similar issues impact irrigation runoff control programs, septic system management programs and other control programs for potential urban sources of bacterial indicators. Further, the RWQCB has indicated that it is not their goal to require the elimination of all dry weather runoff to impaired receiving waters as this may negatively impact other beneficial uses of those receiving waters. The RWQCB prefers a solution set that does not target the capture and elimination of other flows through the MS4 such as rising groundwater and water transfers. If the Permittees are to maintain these baseflows through their MS4 systems, the uncertainty of managing upstream bacterial indicator sources must be addressed.

Therefore, the CBRP includes a compliance strategy to guide decision-making during the implementation process, and an iterative and adaptive management strategy for making course corrections to the CBRP as new data are collected and evaluated.

### Compliance Strategy

Figure 2-4 illustrates the overall CBRP compliance strategy, consistent with the three CBRP Steps and the Implementation Actions described above (e.g., Figure 2-1). The CBRP is designed to mitigate controllable<sup>4</sup> urban sources of bacterial indicators that cause non-attainment of water quality objectives at the watershed-wide compliance sites. The CBRP is not intended to address bacterial indicator impairments attributable to non-MS<sub>4</sub> sources (e.g., agricultural or water transfers), or sources that cannot be accounted for, e.g., wildlife sources or sources that arise from within the impaired waterbody (per Findings, Sections I.D, and II.E.1 of the MS<sub>4</sub> Permit).

Figure 2-4 highlights three key decision points that occur during implementation of the compliance strategy:

- **Decision Point #1** – Distinguish between controllable urban bacterial indicator sources associated with the MS<sub>4</sub> and other potential non-urban sources of bacterial indicator impairment.
- **Decision Point #2** – Prioritize MS<sub>4</sub> drainage areas for establishment of mitigation alternatives where MS<sub>4</sub> outfalls are determined to be contributing to impairment at watershed-wide compliance sites.
- **Decision Point #3** – Select mitigation alternative – non-structural or structural BMPs.

Fundamental to the compliance strategy is the development and implementation of ordinances and specific BMPs targeted to reduce controllable urban sources of dry weather runoff and bacterial indicators from the MS<sub>4</sub> (Figure 2-4, Box 1). To determine whether controllable urban sources are present, CBRP Step 1 includes comprehensive urban source evaluation activities to identify sources of DWF to the MS<sub>4</sub>, especially those that contain bacterial indicator concentrations and sources that may cause or contribute to impairment at watershed-wide compliance sites (see Boxes 2 and 3).

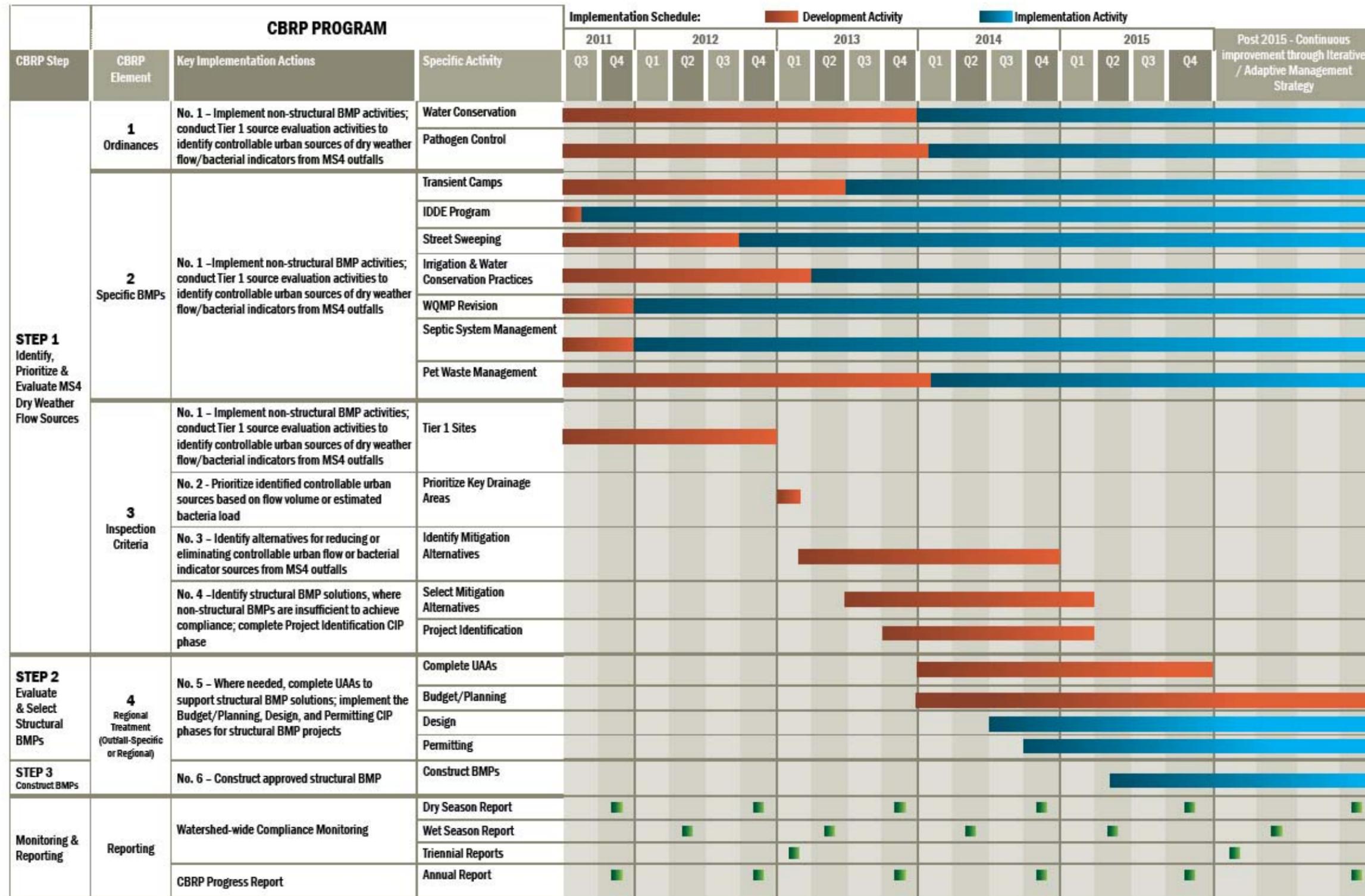
The results from urban source evaluation activities lead to the first decision point in the compliance strategy. The MSAR Permittees will evaluate the potential for MS<sub>4</sub> to be contributing controllable sources of bacterial indicators. Where controllable MS<sub>4</sub> sources are identified, those areas of the MS<sub>4</sub> remain under the CBRP (**Decision Point #1**, Boxes 4 and 5). Where controllable sources are not present and the MS<sub>4</sub> is not the cause of impairment, those areas would be addressed outside of the CBRP (Boxes 14 through 16). Where necessary, the Permittees will work with the RWQCB to identify solutions; however, in some cases, the RWQCB may need to work with other entities to mitigate bacterial indicator sources.

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<sup>4</sup> Controllable sources will be defined by the Basin Plan Amendment applicable to recreational uses and objectives (see Section 1.5.4).

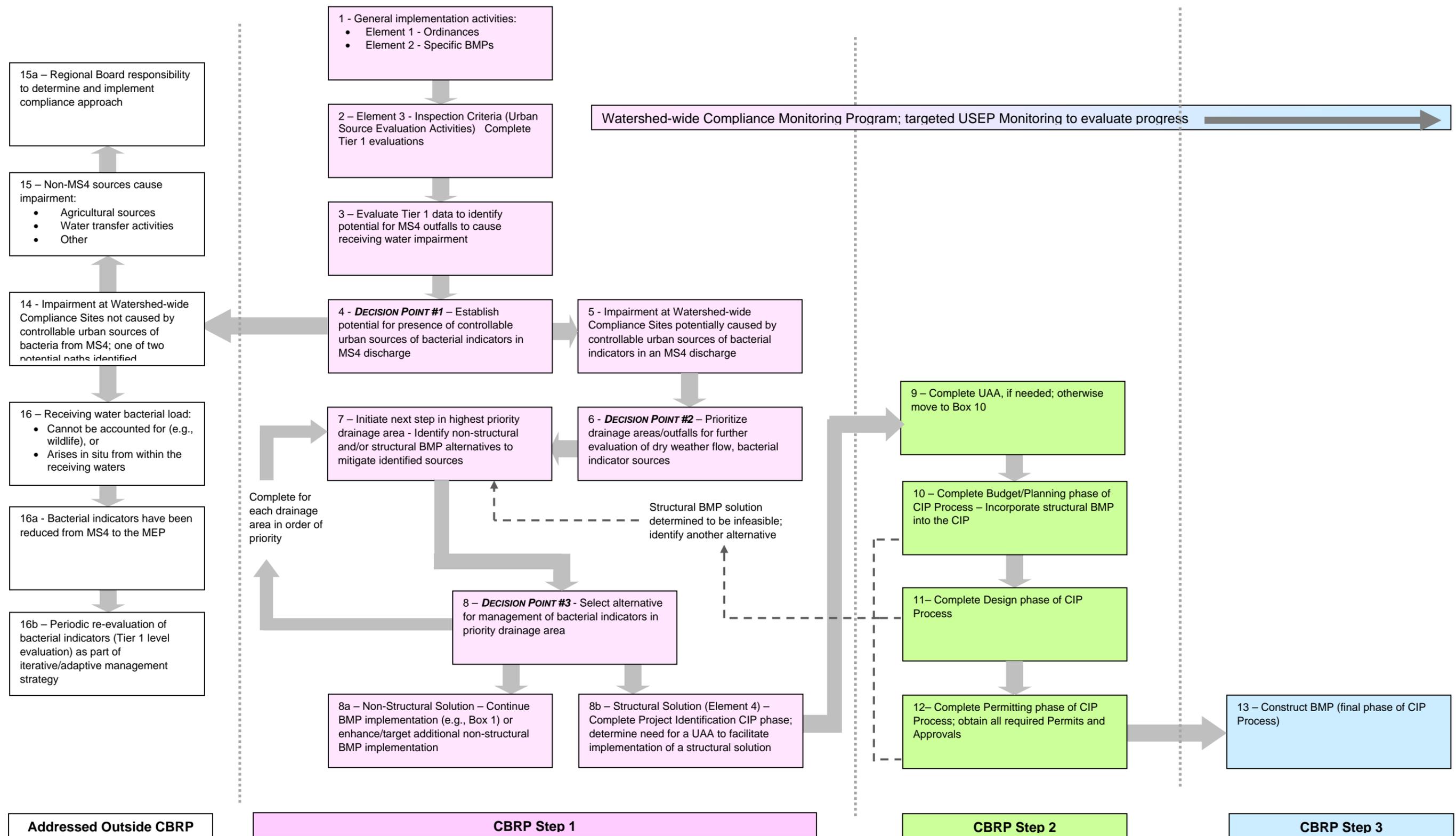
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Figure 2-3. CBRP Implementation Schedule



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Figure 2-4. CBRP Implementation Strategy





For MS4 drainage areas that potentially contribute impairment at a watershed-wide compliance site, the Permittees will evaluate data from source evaluation activities to prioritize drainages areas or outfalls for continued work. Prioritization of drainage areas/outfalls is **Decision Point #2** (Box 6) and critical to CBRP implementation in an environment with limited resources. Prioritization will consider relative contribution and source of bacterial indicator loads. Highest priority areas are those where controllable human sources of bacterial indicators are present and persistent.

Starting with the highest priority drainage area, the Permittees will conduct inspections and source evaluation activities as needed to identify and evaluate non-structural or structural BMP alternatives to mitigate sources (Box 7). This effort leads to **Decision Point #3** (Box 8) – selection of an alternative to mitigate the source. If a non-structural solution is available, the Permittees will implement new, enhanced, or more targeted BMPs. Where a structural solution is deemed necessary – the Permittees complete the Project Identification phase of the CIP process and determine the need for a UAA to support implementation of the structural BMP solution. Completion of the Project Identification phase establishes the project need and initiates the process for working with the appropriate governing bodies to include the project in the CIP. The identified project moves into CBRP Step 2 (Boxes 9 through 12).

Implementation of a structural solution under CBRP Step 2 will require completion of the CEQA/NEPA process, and input from multiple stakeholders (e.g., regulatory agencies, city councils, environmental advocacy groups, and water supply utilities). Accordingly, from the time a project need is identified through completion of construction, consideration must be given to range of regional and local issues, including, but not limited to:

- Technical feasibility to mitigate the bacterial indicator source;
- Regional water supply management plans and objectives;
- Environmental considerations (e.g., CEQA requirements to assess project impacts on issues ranging from in-stream flow and habitat to energy and greenhouse gas emissions);
- Consideration of alternatives, including use of offset and trading strategies (e.g., a regional project in one area could provide offsets for overall bacterial indicator reductions needed within another area); and
- Economic feasibility, which will consider the capital cost and the long term operation and maintenance cost (which can in some instances exceed the original construction cost over the long-term).

Where a UAA is identified as a required element to support implementation of a structural BMP project (Box 9), the UAA will be completed in parallel with efforts to implement the BMP. Once the UAA is deemed complete by the RWQCB, it is expected that the RWQCB will move the UAA forward through the basin planning process to obtain approval of the UAA.

Following completion of CBRP Step 2 activities, the project will either move forward to construction, as funding is available; or be determined to be infeasible. Projects ready for construction are CBRP Step 3 Projects (Box 13). Projects determined to be infeasible will result in the MSAR Permittees returning to evaluation of other potential mitigation alternatives for the bacterial indicator source (Box 7).

Throughout all CBRP Steps, the Watershed-wide Compliance Monitoring Program will continue at the five watershed-wide compliance sites. Sample results from these sites along with collected urban source

evaluation data provide the basis for evaluating progress towards compliance with TMDL requirements under dry weather conditions. Periodic reporting activities will provide the mechanism for evaluating progress and effectiveness of compliance strategy implementation. Where effectiveness evaluations identify the need to modify the CBRP, this need will be addressed as part of the iterative and adaptive management strategy, as described below.

### **Iterative and Adaptive Management Strategy**

This CBRP is based on the current level of knowledge of controllable urban sources of bacterial indicators. As the CBRP is implemented and new data are generated (especially through source evaluation activities), it is expected that this basic level of knowledge will change. Given this expectation, an iterative and adaptive management strategy has been built into the CBRP to provide opportunities to revise the CBRP implementation approach, where appropriate. These opportunities include the following elements:

- *Triennial Reports* – The TMDL requires these reports as part of TMDL implementation. These reports will include an evaluation of CBRP implementation including progress towards meeting the urban wasteload allocation for dry weather conditions in the dry season. This evaluation may include recommendations for CBRP revisions to the RWQCB regarding how new data or programmatic requirements will be incorporated into the CBRP. Two Triennial Reports are associated with the timeline for CBRP implementation:
  - *2013 Report* – This report will report on activities completed through 2012. The 2013 Report will include recommendations for new or revised BMPs.
  - *2016 Report* – This report (due on February 15, 2016) will evaluate the overall effectiveness of CBRP implementation and the status of all structural BMP projects in CBRP Steps 2 and 3. The report will evaluate the extent to which compliance with urban wasteload allocations for dry weather conditions has been achieved. The 2016 Report will also provide detailed descriptions of any additional BMPs planned and the schedule for implementation in the event that water quality data (urban source evaluation activities; watershed-wide water quality monitoring program) indicate that a reasonable potential still exists that completed BMPs, as well as BMPs in process (e.g., structural BMPs still moving through the CIP Process), may not result in compliance with TMDL requirements applicable to the MS4.
- *MS4 Permit Annual Reports* – The MS4 permit Annual Report will include a summary of CBRP implementation activities. This summary will replace the semi-annual USEP reports as a USEP and MS4 permit reporting requirement. The MS4 Annual Reports will also include recommendations to the RWQCB for modifications to the CBRP if alternative approaches or actions are identified that will contribute to the goal to achieve compliance with urban wasteload allocation during dry weather conditions.

Successful CBRP implementation requires timely input and decisions by the RWQCB so that new information or outcomes (anything from completion of a UAA to interpretation of DWF/bacterial indicator data) can be quickly integrated into the decision-making process. This is especially true for efficient implementation of the compliance strategy. Accordingly, the Principal Permittee will provide as much advanced notice as possible regarding the need for RWQCB approval of decisions associated with CBRP implementation and any recommendations for CBRP modification.



## Section 3

# Compliance Analysis

### 3.1 Introduction

The MS4 permit requires that the CBRP provide the scientific and technical documentation used to conclude that the CBRP, once fully implemented, is expected to achieve compliance with the urban wasteload allocation for indicator bacteria by December 31, 2015 (MS4 permit Section VI.D.1.c.i.(5)). Compliance targets or wasteload allocations were developed for both fecal coliform and *E. coli* bacterial indicators:

- Fecal coliform: 5-sample/30-day Logarithmic Mean less than 180 organisms/100 mL and not more than 10 percent of the samples exceed 360 organisms/100 mL for any 30-day period.
- *E. coli*: 5-sample/30-day Logarithmic Mean less than 113 organisms/100 mL and not more than 10 percent of the samples exceed 212 organisms/100 mL for any 30-day period.

The compliance analysis presented in this section used the 5-sample/30-day logarithmic mean for *E. coli* of 113 cfu/100 mL to demonstrate that this plan, once implemented, is expected to achieve compliance with the urban wasteload allocation. This concentration-based wasteload allocation for MS4 Permittees is a target for all urban sources of flow; however, it would be nearly impossible to monitor bacteria at all MS4 outfalls. Consequently, compliance with the MSAR Bacterial Indicator TMDL is assessed at five watershed-wide compliance monitoring locations. No analysis was done for the Prado Park Lake compliance location as there currently are no known MS4 facilities discharging DWF to the lake. This presumption will be verified during CBRP implementation.

#### 3.1.1 Overview of Compliance Analysis

This compliance analysis for the MSAR Permittees demonstrates that the proposed CBRP will attain the Water Quality Based Effluent Limits set in the 2010 SAR MS4 Permit. Key findings of this analysis include:

##### Source Assessment

- Urban dry weather runoff volumes are a small proportion (<10%) of the total volume of runoff contained within the Santa Ana River;

Based on outfall monitoring results for flow and bacterial indicator concentrations; bacterial loading (cfu/day) from the runoff volume attributable to the MS4 represents approximately 1/3 of the total loading to the River.

## Source Control

- Water conservation activities are planned by the MS<sub>4</sub> Permittees and water agencies in the MS<sub>4</sub> Permit area and will be an effective method to reduce urban runoff contributions to the beneficial use impairments;
- The analysis indicates that any number of BMPs that have been proposed in this plan could individually, or in conjunction with other BMPs attain the Water Quality Based Effluent Limits contained in the 2010 MS<sub>4</sub> Permit. This provides the Permittees an opportunity to select combinations of control measures that are appropriate to their individual resources, budgets and watershed needs.
- Based on the strategies proposed in the CBRP, urban bacterial indicator sources should be reduced in DWF from MS<sub>4</sub> drainages areas upstream of the Santa Ana River at MWD Crossing and Pedley Avenue compliance monitoring sites, from 467 billion cfu/day to 394 billion cfu/day. This reduction will result in attainment of the Water Quality Based Effluent Limits specified in the MS<sub>4</sub> Permit.
- The MSAR Permittees plan to supplement planned water conservation activities with aggressive source identification programs to identify and eliminate potential controllable urban bacterial indicator hot-spots. These supplemental programs may result in additional source control or regional treatment programs that will further reduce controllable urban sources. This program provides a factor of safety over the baseline programs.

The MSAR Permittees believe that the CBRP provides a balance between managing controllable urban sources and maintaining beneficial runoff to impaired receiving waters. This plan will focus on controlling runoff from wasteful irrigation and water usage practices, while continuing to allow beneficial runoff including rising groundwaters, tertiary treated POTW effluent and water transfers to be conveyed through the MS<sub>4</sub>.

### 3.1.2 Compliance Analysis Approach

The following sections provide detailed description of the methodology employed to demonstrate compliance with the MSAR Bacterial Indicator TMDL WLA. The analysis involved several key questions, including:

- What is the relative contribution of urban DWF from MS<sub>4</sub> outfalls to receiving waterbodies? This contribution determines the volume of DWF that is potentially controllable by the MS<sub>4</sub> program. See Section 3.2.1.
- What are typical levels of *E. coli* in urban runoff during DWF conditions? Applying a concentration to urban DWF volumes facilitates the computation of the total daily amount of bacterial indicators (cfu/day) that is potentially controllable by the MS<sub>4</sub> program. See Section 3.2.2.
- How is compliance with the wasteload allocation for MS<sub>4</sub> Permittees best demonstrated? See Section 3
- To what level must *E. coli* (cfu/day) from urban sources of DWF from MS<sub>4</sub> Permittees be reduced to demonstrate compliance? This question assesses current bacterial indicator levels at the compliance monitoring locations in relation to the wasteload allocation in the TMDL. Only the

portion of the baseline bacteria in excess of the TMDL wasteload allocation that are controllable by implementing BMPs within MS<sub>4</sub> systems is targeted for bacteria indicator reduction by MS<sub>4</sub> Permittees. Section 3.4 computes this daily bacterial indicator level targeted for removal through CBRP implementation. Other sources of bacteria to downstream compliance monitoring sites, such as agricultural land uses, illegal discharges, transient encampments, wildlife, or environmental growth, are not well understood. The Inspection Program is designed to provide information to assist the Permittees in developing an approach to manage these sources, determined to be uncontrollable within MS<sub>4</sub> systems.

- What level of implementation of proposed CBRP elements would be sufficient to achieve the targeted daily *E. coli* (cfu/day) removal? Section 3.5 discusses the water quality benefits (quantifiable and non-quantifiable) expected from CBRP implementation.
- Section 3.6 summarizes the findings of this compliance analysis and discusses key assumptions and uncertainties associated with computation.

## 3.2 Baseline Dry Weather Flow and Bacterial Indicator Data

### 3.2.1 DWF Sources to MS<sub>4</sub>

Regular DWF exist in many MSAR waterbodies. Sources of DWF include:

- Effluent from publicly owned treatment works (POTWs)
- Turnouts of imported water by MWD
- Well blow-offs
- Water transfers
- Groundwater inputs
- Other authorized discharges (as defined by permit)
- Urban water waste from excess irrigation and other outdoor water uses
- Non-permitted discharges

Each of these sources of runoff has a different pathway and potential to transport bacteria to receiving waterbodies. Thus, it is important to understand the relative role of each of these categories of DWF. Attachment B provided an overview of dry weather hydrology in the MSAR watershed. This information provides a basis for the compliance analysis described in this section of the CBRP. Additionally, some sources of bacteria are not directly related to DWF inputs such as birds and other wildlife within waterbodies, re-suspension of bacteria in channel bottom sediment, air deposition, and transient encampments.

Flow and bacterial indicator level data are available from several sources for all of the compliance monitoring locations and most of the major tributaries to the impaired receiving waterbodies. Table 3-1 provides a summary of the sources of data used to characterize flow and bacterial indicator water quality in the MSAR Bacterial Indicator TMDL waterbodies and their tributaries.

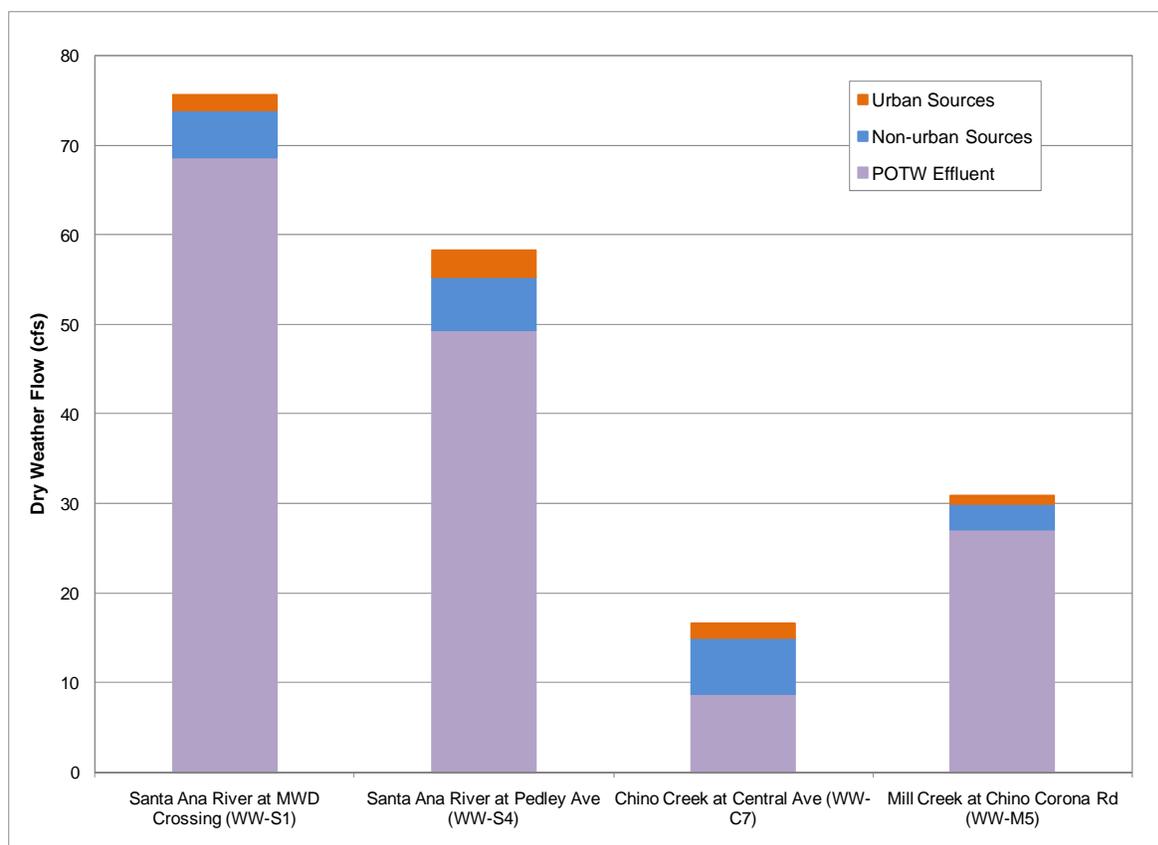
**Table 3-1. Available Data for Characterization Of DWF and Bacterial Indicators in Areas Draining to Watershed-Wide Compliance Sites**

Site	Flow	Bacterial Indicator Concentration
Downstream: Chino Creek at Central Ave (WW-C7)	Watershed-wide field measurements 2007-2009 (n=82)	Watershed-wide compliance monitoring 2007-2009 (n=82)
POTW Influent	Daily effluent at IEUA Carbon Canyon WRRF (2007 - 2008)	Assumed effluent of 2.2 MPN/100 mL
Carbon Canyon Creek Channel	SBCFCD Little Chino Creek gauge 2843 (2007-2008)	USEP samples (n=19)
Chino Creek above Schaeffer	U.S. Geological Survey (USGS) Gauge 11073360 (2005-2009)	USEP samples at San Antonio Channel (n=19)
Downstream: Mill Creek at Chino Corona Rd (WW-M5)	USGS Gauge at Merrill Ave 11073495 (2005-2009)	Watershed-wide compliance monitoring at Chino-Corona Road 2007-2009 (n=80)
POTW Influent	Daily effluent at outfall 001 of IEUA RP1 WRRF (2007 - 2008)	Assumed effluent of 2.2 MPN/100 mL
Lower Deer Creek (CHRIS)	USEP field measurements samples at CHRIS (n=17)	USEP samples at CHRIS (n=17)
County Line Channel (CLCH)	USEP field measurements samples at CLCH (n=16)	USEP samples at CLCH (n=7)
Cucamonga Creek (CUC) above IEUA RP1 WRRF	USEP field measurements at CUC (n=16)	USEP samples at CUC (n=16)
Downstream: Santa Ana River at MWD Crossing (WW-S4)	USGS Gauge at MWD Crossing 11066460 (2005-2009)	Watershed-wide compliance monitoring at MWD Crossing 2007-2009 (n=82)
POTW Influent	Daily effluent from RIX Facility and Rialto WWTP (2007 - 2008)	Assumed effluent of 2.2 MPN/100 mL
Sunnyslope Channel (SNCH)	USEP field measurements at SNCH (n=26)	USEP samples at SNCH (n=17)
Box Spring Channel (BXSP)	USEP field measurements at BXSP (n=26)	USEP samples at BXSP (n=17)
Downstream: Santa Ana River at Pedley Ave (WW-S4)	Sum of POTW effluent and estimated dry weather runoff from ANZA, DAY, and SSCH	Watershed-wide compliance monitoring at Pedley Ave 2007-2009 (n=82)
POTW Influent	Daily effluent from RIX Facility, Rialto WWTP, and Riverside WQCP (2007 - 2008)	Assumed effluent of 2.2 MPN/100 mL
Anza Drain (ANZA)	USEP field measurements at ANZA (n=19)	USEP samples at ANZA (n=18)
Day Creek (DAY)	USEP field measurements at DAY (n=13)	USEP samples at ANZA (n=13)
San Sevaine Channel (SSCH)	USEP field measurements at SSCH (n=13)	USEP samples at ANZA (n=13)

Within the MSAR watershed there are many MS<sub>4</sub> drainage areas that do not typically cause or contribute to flow at the compliance monitoring locations. DWF at these MS<sub>4</sub> outfalls is hydrologically disconnected from the TMDL receiving waterbodies, by either purposefully recharging groundwater in constructed regional retention facilities or through losses in earthen channel bottoms, where the recharge capacity of underlying soils exceeds dry weather runoff generated in upstream drainage areas.

Flow data from these sources characterize the role of DWF from major tributaries and Publicly-owned Treatment Works (POTW) effluent to baseline flow at the compliance monitoring locations. For each of the compliance monitoring locations, column 2 in Table 3-2 shows the median of DWF measurements from upstream USEP sites (major tributaries) and POTW effluent locations in the dry season. These

values are determined by summing inputs from USEP subwatersheds and effluent from upstream POTWs. This approach ensures a balance of runoff between inflows and outflows. The downstream flow estimates fell within expected ranges based on long-term daily data collected at USGS gauging stations in the MSAR watershed. As expected, DWF at each of the compliance monitoring locations consists



primarily of POTW effluent (Figure 3-1).

**Figure 3-1. Estimated Relative DWF Contributions to Watershed-Wide Compliance Sites**

Flow data was not available downstream of some portions of MS<sub>4</sub> drainage areas; therefore it was necessary to approximate DWF from these areas to complete a water balance for each compliance monitoring location. However, such estimates are confounded by infiltration and rising groundwater conditions in the MSAR watershed. Within the Chino Basin portion of the MSAR watershed, Inland Empire Utilities Agency (IEUA) measures flow at a number of locations to quantify groundwater recharge for water supply benefit. For Riverside County MS<sub>4</sub> drainage areas, this monitoring data is the geographically closest characterization of its type. Flow measurements, on days when DWF is predominantly from urban sources, suggest that DWF from urban sources occur at a rate of 100 gal/acre/day in the MSAR watershed, ranging from 20 to 280 gal/acre/day (see Attachment B for summary of field measured flows). This is consistent with DWF generation rates developed to support the City of Los Angeles Integrated Resources Plan (2004), which estimated DWF rates from urban watersheds ranging from zero to 300 gallons/acre/day. Thus, it was reasonable to use a rate of 100 gal/acre/day to approximate urban sources of DWF from “other MS<sub>4</sub> areas” that may be hydrologically connected to a TMDL waterbody.

The USEP flow measurements indicated that some tributaries have significantly greater DWF rates per acre of urbanized drainage area (column 3 of Table 3-2) than would be expected solely from urban sources. In these cases, the presence of a non-urban source was determined to be responsible for the elevated DWF rates. Figure 6-1 shows the relative split between urban and non-urban sources (assuming flow up to 100 gal/acre/day is from urban sources and in excess of 100 gal/acre/day is from non-urban sources) of DWF within each of the compliance monitoring watersheds.

Overall, the contribution of runoff during dry weather from urban sources relative to total downstream flow is very small in all of the waterbodies with TMDLs. This finding suggests that *E. coli* in the runoff from urban sources could be very high, assuming non-urban flows (potable water transfers, groundwater, etc.) and POTW effluent are largely free of fecal indicator bacteria. Alternatively, wildlife, environmental growth, recreational uses of receiving waters, or other sources are significant contributors to impairments at waterbodies with TMDLs.

### 3.2.2 Bacteria Concentrations

Section 3.4 summarized the bacterial indicator concentrations observed at watershed-wide compliance sites since 2007 and the concentrations observed during the USEP monitoring program implemented in 2007-2008. These data were used to provide baseline data for this compliance analysis.

The geometric mean of all dry weather *E. coli* concentrations measured at the watershed-wide compliance locations is shown in column 4 of Table 3-3. Geometric means of dry weather *E. coli* concentrations at each USEP site provide an estimate of baseline bacterial indicator levels from the major subwatersheds draining to each watershed-wide compliance site (column 4 of Table 3-2). These values show a wide range of observed *E. coli* concentrations, which suggests that targeted inspection and BMP implementation, would be an effective approach for mitigating controllable urban bacterial indicator sources.

Bacterial indicator data was not available downstream of some portions of MS4 drainage areas; therefore it was necessary to approximate *E. coli* concentrations from these areas to develop a compliance analysis for the entire MSAR watershed. For purposes of this compliance analysis, the geometric mean of all dry weather *E. coli* monitoring data from the USEP study of ~600 cfu/100 mL provides an initial estimate of bacterial indicator levels from drainage areas that have no available data. Monitoring of DWF rate and bacterial indicators downstream of these areas is a key component of the CBRP, and results should be used to update this compliance analysis once available.

**Table 3-2. Baseline DWF and Bacterial Indicator Concentrations in Areas that Drain to Watershed-Wide Compliance Monitoring Sites**

Site	1 Hydrologically Connected Acres	2 Dry Weather Flow (cfs)	3 Total Dry Weather Flow Generation (gal/acre/day)	4 Dry Weather Geometric Mean of <i>E. coli</i> (cfu/100 mL)	5 Dry Weather <i>E.</i> <i>coli</i> (cfu/day)
SAR at MWD Crossing	10,727	73.2		149	267
POTW Influent	n/a	68.7	n/a	2	4
Sunnyslope Channel	2,104	2.0	623	183	9
Box Springs Channel	4,193	1.8	279	1,686	75
Other MS4 Areas	4,430	0.9	100	600 <sup>3</sup>	10
Unaccounted-for Sources					170
SAR at Pedley Avenue	17,921	54.8		149	200
POTW Influent	n/a	49.4	n/a	2	3
Anza Drain	6,335	2.6	263	492	31
Day Creek	2,759	0.5	122	577	7
San Sevaine Channel	2,489	1.3	338	320	10
Other MS4 Areas	6,338	1.0	100	600 <sup>3</sup>	14
Unaccounted-for Sources					135
Chino Creek at Central Ave	17,678	17.8		394	171
POTW Influent	n/a	8.8	n/a	2	0
Carbon Canyon Creek Ch.	1,766	6.5	2,396	139	22
San Antonio Channel	5,031	0.7	91	412	7
Other MS4 Areas	10,882	1.7	100	600 <sup>3</sup>	24
Unaccounted-for Sources					117
Mill-Cucamonga Creek at Chino-Corona Rd	5,510	30.9		877	662
POTW Influent	n/a	27.1	n/a	2	1
Chris Basin (Lower Deer Creek)	3,091	0.8	165	868	17
County Line Channel	373	0.1	95	4,053	5
Cucamonga Creek	1,216	2.8	1,472	863	58
Other MS4 Areas	830	0.1	100	600 <sup>3</sup>	2
Unaccounted-for Sources					578

1) DWF generation up to 100 gal/acre/day is assumed to come from urban sources

2) n/a means value is not applicable

3) Geometric mean of all dry weather *E. coli* monitoring data from the USEP study

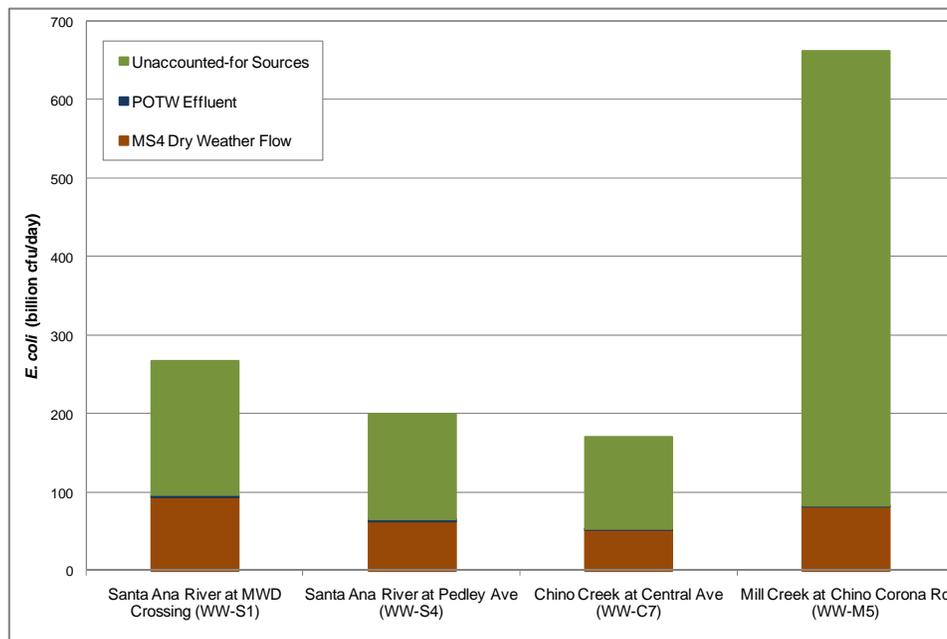
### 3.2.3 Relative Source Contribution

Relative source contribution analyses were prepared for each of the watershed-wide compliance locations. This analysis provided a comparison of monitored inputs of flow ( $Q_{inflow}$ ) and bacterial indicator concentrations ( $C_{inflow}$ ) from MS4 facilities and POTWs with downstream flow ( $Q_{comp}$ ) and bacterial indicator concentrations ( $C_{comp}$ ), as follows:

$$FIB_{comp} = Q_{comp} * C_{comp} = \left[ \sum_i^J Q_{inflow} * C_{inflow} \right] + e$$

This type of analysis characterizes the relative role of different flow sources in the watershed on downstream bacterial indicator concentrations. An important outcome of this analysis is the identification of the level of bacterial indicators ( $e$ ) at the compliance locations that cannot be explained by known flow sources within the watershed (referred to as “unaccounted-for sources”). The presence of an unbalanced set of inputs and outputs in relation to downstream bacterial indicator levels is not surprising, given the potential for increases in bacteria indicator levels from illegal and illicit discharges, direct input from wildlife, air deposition, transient encampments, environmental growth, or resuspension, or decreases in bacterial indicator levels due to environmental decay or settling.

The relative source contribution showed high amounts of unaccounted-for bacterial indicators at all four compliance points during DWF in the dry season. Figure 3-2 summarizes the relative contribution of bacterial indicators from various sources based on existing data. Figure 3-2 shows that the contribution of bacterial indicators from POTW effluent, assuming a concentration of 2.2 cfu/100 ml is negligible.



**Figure 3-2. Estimated Relative Sources of Bacterial Indicators at Watershed-Wide Compliance Locations**

### 3.3 Criteria for Demonstrating Compliance

Alternative approaches were considered for demonstrating how implementation of the CBRP would achieve compliance with urban source wasteload allocations:

- *Alternative 1* - Demonstrate that implementation of the CBRP would result in achieving the wasteload allocation at every outflow to a receiving waterbody. This approach can be achieved by either:

- Reducing *E. coli* concentrations at flowing MS<sub>4</sub> outfalls to 113 MPN/100 mL or;
- Eliminating DWF from the majority of urban area draining to each outfall.

While this approach may be feasible in small subwatersheds, it may be infeasible to implement watershed-wide.

- *Alternative 2* – If data demonstrate that receiving water impairment is potentially caused by the MS<sub>4</sub>, then demonstrate sufficient reduction in controllable human sources of bacterial indicator loads in DWF from MS<sub>4</sub> facilities to not cause an exceedance of the *E. coli* water quality object at downstream watershed-wide compliance monitoring sites. Required bacterial indicator reductions are determined by comparing baseline *E. coli* loads at the watershed-wide compliance sites with the TMDL numeric target (product of DWF at compliance monitoring site and *E. coli* concentration equal to the water quality objective of 126 cfu/100 mL). Figure 3-2 shows that there are large amounts of unaccounted-for bacterial indicators in some watersheds.

The MSAR Permittees plan to use the second alternative approach to evaluate the potential of this plan to achieve compliance. This approach allows for a watershed-wide assessment of bacterial water quality in downstream receiving waterbodies and consideration of the relative role of MS<sub>4</sub> sources in downstream receiving waterbody bacterial indicator water quality.

## 3.4 Bacterial Indicator Reduction from the MS<sub>4</sub>

### 3.4.1 Controllability

The relative source contribution analysis showed that substantial unaccounted-for sources of bacterial indicators exist in impaired waterbodies. Unaccounted-for sources make up the majority of bacterial indicators during dry weather at the Chino Creek and Mill-Cucamonga Creek TMDL compliance monitoring sites (see Figure 3-2). For the Santa Ana River compliance monitoring locations, approximately two thirds of *E. coli* is comprised of unaccounted-for sources. For this compliance analysis, contributions of unaccounted-for sources of bacterial indicators to the TMDL compliance monitoring sites are not the responsibility of the MS<sub>4</sub> Permittees. The USEP data used to develop the source contribution analysis were based on samples collected at the outlet from MS<sub>4</sub> systems to receiving waters; therefore, unaccounted sources of bacteria are not attributable to MS<sub>4</sub> inputs from areas upstream of USEP sites. However, the inspection program will assess additional MS<sub>4</sub> outfalls not previously monitored in the USEP, which could provide more insight into these unaccounted-for sources and allow further refinement of MS<sub>4</sub> contributions.

### 3.4.2 Gap Analysis for Bacterial Indicators

Bacterial indicator data collected from each of the watershed-wide compliance monitoring sites provide an estimate of existing *E. coli* concentrations in receiving waters. The magnitude of exceedances of the TMDL numeric target provides a basis for estimating the *E. coli* load removal needed from all sources to reduce current bacterial indicator concentrations to the water quality objective of 126 MPN/100 mL. Table 3-3 shows the daily amount of *E. coli* load at each compliance monitoring site based on average of DWF and bacterial indicator concentration (column 1). The basis for the values in Table 3-3 is geometric means of dry weather *E. coli* concentrations and field measurement of flow from the 2007-2008 dry season USEP monitoring, with a sample size of ~20 for most monitored drainages. Follow up monitoring performed in the 2011 dry season was used to update DWF rates from the 2007-2008 dry

seasons USEP study. Further data collection planned in the CBRP inspection element will continue to provide information to update the assessment of dry weather compliance in the dry season.

Concentration based TMDL numeric targets equal to the water quality objective of 126/cfu/100 mL were converted to an *E. coli* load (column 2). The difference between current *E. coli* loads at the compliance monitoring sites (column 1) and the TMDL numeric target load (column 2) is the total bacterial indicator reduction needed to achieve compliance (column 3). The portion of the current bacterial indicator load at the compliance monitoring sites attributable to measured MS4 sources is shown as a percentage in column 4 (see Table 3-2 for details). This relative source contribution is applied to the total reduction needed in column 3 to approximate a target *E. coli* reduction for MS4 sources (column 5).

**Table 3-3. Relative Contribution to Bacterial Indicator Water Quality Objective Exceedances from MS4 DWFs**

Compliance Monitoring Location	1 Baseline Dry Weather <i>E. coli</i> (billion cfu/day)	2 Numeric Target <sup>1</sup> (billion cfu/day)	3 Total Bacteria Reduction Needed (billion cfu/day)	4 Contribution of MS4 DWF to Bacteria at Compliance Monitoring Site	5 Bacteria Reduction Target from MS4 (billion cfu/day)
Santa Ana River at MWD Crossing <sup>2</sup>	267	226	41	35%	15
Santa Ana River at Pedley Ave <sup>2,3</sup>	200	169	31	31%	10
Chino Creek at Central Ave <sup>4</sup>	171	55	116	31%	37
Mill-Cucamonga Creek at Chino Corona Rd	662	95	567	12%	71

1) Water quality objective is a rolling five sample geometric mean of *E. coli* of 126 MPN/100 mL. TMDL numeric target is expressed as daily bacteria load.

2) Bacteria generated in both Riverside and San Bernardino Counties, with most coming from Riverside County  
Values do not include the drainage area to the Santa Ana River at MWD Crossing

4) Bacteria generated in San Bernardino County only

5) Bacteria generated in both Riverside and San Bernardino Counties, with most coming from San Bernardino County

Two conditions are apparent from comparing the bacterial indicators coming from the MS4 with the bacterial indicator reduction needed to achieve compliance:

- *E. coli* load measured from all upstream MS4 discharges (Table 3-2, column 5) is less than the load reduction that would reduce bacteria to the numeric targets (Table 3-3, column 3). This makes it impossible to attain the water quality objective even if MS4 discharges were eliminated. Available data show this condition exists in both the Mill-Cucamonga and Chino Creek watersheds. The recommended course of action is then to determine whether the unaccounted source of bacteria is from a controllable non-urban source (e.g. agriculture, dairy etc.) or other non-MSAR Permittee urban sources (Caltrans, state, federal and tribal lands) or if the source is naturally occurring and uncontrollable.
- Conversely, *E. coli* load measured from all upstream MS4 discharges is greater than the load reduction needed to reduce bacteria to the numeric targets, then it may be physically possible to attain the water quality objective by reducing bacteria loads from MS4 outfalls. Available

data show this condition exists for the two subwatersheds draining to the Santa Ana River compliance sites. Under this condition, the MS4 Permittees will implement BMPs within the MS4 drainage system and continue to collect water quality data to assess effectiveness. Options for implementation also could include a trading or offset approach for achieving compliance by mitigating unaccounted for sources of bacteria in lieu of directly controlling bacteria at MS4 outfalls. The following section describes *E. coli* load reductions that would be achieved from planned water conservation BMPs upstream of the Santa Ana River watershed-wide compliance monitoring locations.

## 3.5 Water Quality Benefit Estimates

Water quality benefits associated with implementation of the dry weather CBRP almost entirely rely on reduction or elimination of DWF from MS4 systems, through ordinance enforcement, water conservation, or structural controls. The most significant source of DWF flow from urban land uses in the MSAR watershed is irrigation excess. Therefore, one approach to demonstrate compliance would be to convert target reduction in *E. coli* (see column 5 of Table 3-3) to an equivalent area of irrigated land for reduction or elimination of DWF. Section 3.5.1 performs this conversion from *E. coli* load reduction to irrigated area target for individual CBRP activities. Section 3.5.2 demonstrates how specific CBRP activities planned in MS4 areas upstream of the Santa Ana River watershed-wide compliance sites have the potential to achieve adequate levels of implementation to provide for the implementation target, express as managed irrigated area.

### 3.5.1 CBRP Activity Implementation Targets

The DWF rate reduction that could provide the targeted *E. coli* reduction was approximated by assuming a concentration of *E. coli* in reduced or eliminated DWF. Water quality data is not available to characterize bacteria concentration in DWF from individual urban source areas prior to reaching MS4 conveyance systems. However, it is generally accepted that DWF from urban source areas contains elevated levels of bacteria. For purposes of this compliance analysis, an *E. coli* concentration of 1,260 cfu/100mL is assumed (10 times the geometric mean water quality objective for *E. coli*) for DWF that is reduced or eliminated from entering the MS4. Table 3-4 shows the DWF reduction needed to provide the targeted *E. coli* reduction for portions of the MS4 draining to the Santa Ana River compliance monitoring locations. CBRP activities in the small portion of Riverside County MS4 drainage area that is tributary to Mill-Cucamonga Creek are not shown in this compliance analysis. DWF control in these MS4 areas will be implemented based on findings of the inspection program.

The types of CBRP activities, described in Section 2 and Attachment C, that will be employed to reduce or eliminate DWF from entering the MS4 have different effectiveness, therefore levels of implementation needed to provide the full target DWF reduction are variable. Table 3-4 shows the level of implementation that would be needed for each CBRP activity if it were to be used for the full DWF reduction target. Except for enhanced use of vacuum assisted street sweeping, levels of implementation shown in Table 3-4 do not vary substantially. This analysis indicates that *E. coli* reduction targets may be achieved by water waste ordinance enforcement, water conservation BMPs, or structural BMPs managing roughly 1,000 acres of irrigated area. It is important to note that compliance will be continue to be measured by water quality monitoring data collected at the watershed-wide compliance monitoring sites.

**Table 3-4. Approximate Level of CBRP Activity Implementation Needed to Achieve Target *E. coli* Reduction**

Compliance Monitoring Location	Santa Ana River at MWD Crossing	Santa Ana River at Pedley Ave	Total
Hydrologically Connected Drainage (total acres)	10,700	17,900	28,600
Bacteria Reduction Target from MS4 (billion cfu/day)	15	10	24
Approximate Target DWF Reduction (gal/day) <sup>1</sup>	305,000	206,000	512,000
BMP Implementation necessary to provide target DWF Reduction (irrigated acres managed) <sup>2</sup>			
Enforce water conservation ordinances <sup>3,6</sup>	690	470	1,160
Replace grass with artificial turf <sup>4</sup>	610	410	1,020
Replace grass with native plants <sup>4</sup>	610	410	1,020
Installation of a WBIC <sup>5</sup>	730	490	1,220
Landscape irrigation audit <sup>3,6</sup>	690	470	1,160
Enhanced Sweeping <sup>4,7,8</sup>	8,540	5,740	14,280
WQMP with redevelopment <sup>4</sup>	610	410	1,020
Regional structural controls <sup>4</sup>	610	410	1,020

1) Assumes *E. coli* concentration in reduced or eliminated DWF of 1,260 cfu/100mL (10 times the geometric mean water quality objective for *E. coli*)

2) Values presented show the level of implementation that would be needed if CBRP implementation employed a singular activity. Implementation of CBRP will involve a combination of these activities as well as ongoing source inspection.

3) DWF generation rate of 750 gal/irrigated acre/day for properties with targeted water waste ordinance enforcement or landscape irrigation survey outreach

4) Average DWF generation rate of 500 gal/irrigated acre/day. Assume complete elimination for this amount of DWF for grass replacement BMPs, significant redevelopment projects, and regional structural controls. For vacuum assisted street sweeping, assume this DWF generation rate from tributary area

5) DWF reduction of 170 gal/irrigated acre/day from installing WBICs

6) DWF reduction of 190 gal/irrigated acre/day from conducting landscape audits

7) Biweekly frequency of vacuum assisted street sweeping (day<sup>-1</sup>)

8) *E. coli* concentration of 1,260 cfu/100mL (10 times the geometric mean water quality objective for *E. coli*) that would be attributable to release of bacteria from biofilms in street gutters. Assume vacuum assisted street sweeping eliminates biofilm for a period of one day

The basis used to quantify DWF generation and potential runoff reduction effectiveness of water conservation BMPs is from a recent study conducted by Metropolitan Water District of Orange County and Irvine Ranch Water District. The study evaluated the effectiveness of Weather-based Irrigation Controllers (WBICs) and landscape irrigation system audits for residential runoff reduction during dry weather (Jakubowski, 2008). Several key findings of this study provide estimates of DWF reduction that were used to quantify benefits of increased use of water conservation BMPs in the MSAR watershed, including:

- DWF measurements downstream of a residential neighborhood showed approximately 500 gal/irrigated acre/day. This rate is used to approximate the runoff reduction benefit of replacing grass lawns with artificial turf or native plants (i.e. no expected runoff following BMP implementation).
- Education and outreach reduced DWF by ~190 gal/irrigated acre/day. This rate is used to approximate the runoff reduction from education and outreach BMPs, including an on-site irrigation audit, and water waste enforcements.

- Installation of a weather based irrigation controller on a large portion of the urban landscape provided DWF reduction of 170 gal/irrigated acre/day.

Lastly, the effectiveness of street sweeping was quantified by estimating the *E. coli* load that would not be picked up as DWF that contacts street gutters if biofilm and other bacteria habitats were effectively removed. Assuming that the release of *E. coli* from biofilms and other habitats in street gutters is responsible for adding 1,260 cfu/100 mL of *E. coli* to DWF as it flows to the MS4, then the target flow for treatment (not reduction) would be equivalent to other CBRP activities that target DWF from individual properties. However, the frequency of street sweeping is an important consideration. Following a sweeping, biofilms and other habitats for bacteria will begin to buildup within the street gutter. Accordingly, it was assumed that street sweeping is effective at removing sources of bacteria from gutters for a period of 24 hours. Taking this assumption, a bi-weekly street sweeping program would need to provide treatment for 14 times the irrigated area as the other proposed CBRP activities, as shown in Table 3-4.

### 3.5.2 Riverside MS4 Permittee Compliance

It would be impossible to use just one CBRP activity to address the full *E. coli* load reduction target that would address the portion of controllable bacteria from MS4s needed to demonstrate compliance with the TMDL. Implementation of several of the CBRP activities shown in Table 3-4 has already been initiated, such as water conservation BMPs by water purveyors, jurisdictions adaptation to LID in new development and significant redevelopment with modified Water Quality Management Plan (WQMP) and landscaping (AB 1881) requirements, and incorporation of structural BMPs into CIP plans by the stormwater Permittees. Information regarding current and near term (prior to 2015) plans for implementation of activities that will reduce DWF in the Santa Ana River watershed is summarized in

**Table 3-5. Estimate of Irrigated Area Addressed by RPU Outdoor Water Conservation BMPs Planned for Implementation prior to 2015**

Outdoor Conservation Measures	Projected 2015 Savings (AFY) <sup>1</sup>	Targeted Outdoor Water Demand (AFY)	Approximate Irrigated Area (acres) <sup>7,8</sup>
Residential Assistance Surveys Top 5% of Users <sup>2,4</sup>	305	2,607	417
CII Landscape Surveys and WBICs Direct Install Top 5% of Users <sup>3,5,6</sup>	706	1,553	249
Dedicated Irrigation Meter Surveys <sup>3,5</sup>	551	2,755	441
Total	1,562	6,915	1,106

1) Source: Riverside Public Utilities, Water Use Efficiency Master Plan, prepared by Kennedy/Jenks Consultants, July 2010

2) Outdoor water use accounts for 53 percent of RPU's residential demand

3) Outdoor water use accounts for 44 percent of RPU's commercial, industrial, institutional (CII) demand

4) Water conservation savings of 6.2 percent is assumed for effectiveness of surveys/audits for residential customers

5) Water conservation savings of 20 percent is assumed for effectiveness of surveys/audits for CII customers

6) Water conservation savings of 20 percent is assumed for effectiveness of WBIC installations

7) Irrigation demand of 55 in/yr based on CIMIS Station 44 at UC Riverside

8) Excess irrigation water use factor of 1.5 for top 5% of users

Table 3-5.

Information gathered from surveys disseminated to the Riverside County stormwater Permittees following receipt of RWQCB comments on the December 31, 2010 draft CBRP helped to improve the characterization of planned water conservation BMPs, as well as other non-structural or structural BMPs currently underway or planned for implementation prior to 2015 (see Attachment D). In addition, the City of Riverside Public Utilities provided its Water Use Efficiency Master Plan, which provided detailed information on water conservation BMPs planned for implementation prior to 2015. Table 3-5 shows how these BMPs alone could provide sufficient reduction in DWF to achieve the target implementation levels estimated in the previous section. The effectiveness of these measures would be determined by monitoring DWF at Tier 1 and 2 sites, with specific attention to Anza Drain and Box Springs Channel. Jurupa Community Services District (JCSD), the water purveyor for the Cities of Eastvale and Jurupa Valley, also has a water conservation program. These newly incorporated cities plan collaborate with JCSD to support implementation of outdoor water conservation BMPs in areas where DWF is found to be problematic.

Redevelopment in the MSAR watershed prior to the December 31, 2015 compliance date may occur in 0.5 percent of the hydrologically connected MS4 drainage area. ( $28,600 \text{ urban acres} * 0.005 = 143 \text{ acres}$  of redevelopment). Assuming 30 percent of land cover on properties that will be redeveloped had been irrigated, then the CBRP benefit of implementing updated development planning requirements is 43 acres of irrigated area. This estimate is low relative to historical development rates, but redevelopment in the 2010-2015 time-period is expected to be reduced due to economic factors.

The CBRP also includes other recommended specific BMPs that have the potential to reduce controllable urban bacterial indicator levels from urban DWF (see Attachment C). While these BMPs have been included to address potential urban bacterial indicator sources, the ability to quantify water quality benefits is greatly limited. For example, transient camps may be an important bacterial indicator source in certain areas, but the benefits of mitigation are unknown since studies have not been done to evaluate the water quality impacts of such camps under dry weather conditions. Given such limitation, the water quality benefits were not quantified. However, the potential reductions in bacterial indicator levels that will be achieved from implementing these BMPs provide an additional margin of safety toward achieving urban wasteload allocation by the compliance date.

Lastly, the CBRP implementation strategy (see Figure 2-4) provides a clear path for assessing DWF and bacteria from numerous small subwatersheds (upstream of 32 Tier 2 sites) for prioritizing implementation of DWF controls. In addition the CBRP includes a schedule (see Figure 2-3) by which Permittees will make decisions to implement a structural BMP before December 2014, if non-structural measures are determined to be ineffective, and then a stepwise process to budget/plan, design, permit, and construct projects. The Cities of Corona and Riverside, in partnership with RCFC&WCD are currently using this approach to implement two structural BMP projects in the MSAR watershed that will capture and infiltrate stormwater flows from urban areas tributary to the Middle Santa Ana River. These BMPs are not expected to provide any DWF reduction benefits toward meeting the *E. coli* reduction targets for this CBRP, but they will reduce small-storm wet weather impacts and are exemplar of the types of structural BMPs and implementation process that could be used to address key MS4 drainage areas of concern for dry weather bacteria.

### 3.5.3 Role of Inspection Program in Achieving Compliance

The inspection program involves rigorous monitoring of flow, bacterial indicators, and human sources of fecal bacteria indicators (using human *Bacteroides* markers) at key locations in the MS4. The purpose

of conducting such monitoring activities is to identify smaller portions of MS<sub>4</sub> drainage areas that may be responsible for a disproportionate amount of bacterial indicators (referred to as a “hot spot”). The temporal variability of available bacteria indicator levels from downstream monitoring sites (from both the USEP study and watershed-wide compliance monitoring) suggests that in some drainage areas, urban sources may be contributing to increases in downstream bacterial indicator levels. However, because of the high percentage of unaccounted-for sources of bacterial indicators apparent in the system, to what degree the MS<sub>4</sub> is a contributor to elevated bacterial indicator levels needs to be evaluated.

The inspection program provides a means to identify urban sources and target mitigation activities. For instance, an MS<sub>4</sub> outfall may be determined to be consistently dry or to contain a lower *E. coli* level than expected. If so, there would be no need to implement upstream BMPs for the purposes of reducing bacterial indicators. At the same time, the inspection program could identify drainage areas that generate DWF and have bacterial indicators at levels greater than was assumed in this quantification effort. Targeted BMPs within the watershed upstream would be prioritized and would likely provide more benefit than is estimated in this compliance analysis. Accordingly, the inspection program provides the information necessary to use an iterative adaptive watershed management approach, which allows for the best use of resources to mitigate controllable urban bacterial indicator sources. Moreover, data collected under the inspection program will provide the means to improve the basis for the relative source contribution analysis for bacterial indicators in receiving waterbodies.

For example, RCFC&WCD initiated inspection activities in 2008 following the finding of the presence of a consistent human source of bacteria in Box Springs Channel (see Attachment C) and geometric means of bacterial indicators three times greater than for all USEP monitoring sites. The City of Riverside discovered that a single restroom toilet located in the Sam Evans Sports Complex on the RCC Riverside Campus was inadvertently connected to a storm drain pipe rather than a sewer line. Data collected after the elimination of this source of bacteria in Box Springs Channel indicated the elimination of human PCR markers in runoff from Box Springs Channel. Additional data from this site is being collected in the 2011 dry season to verify the continued elimination of the human PCR makers.



## Section 4

# Wet Weather Condition Program

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The requirements for development of a dry weather condition CBRP include establishing a schedule for developing a wet weather condition CBRP (November 1st through March 31st) to comply with urban wasteload allocations for indicator bacteria by December 31, 2025.

The RWQCB will issue the next MS<sub>4</sub> permit on or after January 29, 2015 when the existing MS<sub>4</sub> permit expires. Similar to the requirements contained in the existing MS<sub>4</sub> permit, it is recommended that the next MS<sub>4</sub> permit include a requirement to develop a CBRP for wet weather conditions. Given the expected challenges associated with compliance with wasteload allocations under wet weather conditions, the wet weather CBRP will require more time to develop. Accordingly, the earliest a draft wet weather condition CBRP will be submitted to the RWQCB for review will be 24 months following adoption of the next MS<sub>4</sub> permit.

It should be noted however, that the Cities of Corona and Riverside, in partnership with RCFC&WCD are currently developing two structural BMP projects in the MSAR watershed that will capture and infiltrate stormwater flows from urban areas tributary to the Middle Santa Ana River. One project is located on Oak Street Channel and another is located in Mockingbird Canyon Reservoir. These projects are currently going through preliminary planning.

# Attachment A

## TMDL Implementation

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## **A.1 Introduction**

The MSAR MS4 permittees have been actively engaged in implementation of the MSAR Bacterial Indicator TMDL since its 2005 adoption by the RWQCB (almost two years before the TMDL became effective upon EPA approval in 2007). All TMDL requirements with specific completion dates from establishment of a watershed-wide monitoring program to adoption and implementation of the USEP have been met. The outcomes of the various TMDLs completed to date provide the foundation for this CBRP. Each of these activities is described in more detail below.

## A.2 MSAR TMDL Task Force

With formal adoption of the MSAR Bacterial Indicator TMDL on August 26, 2005, all responsible parties named in the TMDL began the process to create a formal cost-sharing body, or Task Force, to collaboratively implement a number of requirements defined in the TMDL. Task Force participants include:

- RCFC&WCD
- County of Riverside
- Cities of Corona, Norco, and, Riverside
- San Bernardino County Flood Control District (SBCFCD) (representing the Cities of Chino, Chino Hills, Fontana, Montclair, Ontario, Rancho Cucamonga, and Rialto)
- Cities of Pomona and Claremont (Los Angeles County, pending formal agreement)
- Agricultural Pool and Milk Producers
- U.S. Department of Agriculture, U.S. Forest Service
- RWQCB
- SAWPA

SAWPA serves as administrator of the Task Force. In this role, SAWPA provides all Task Force meeting organization/facilitation, secretarial, clerical and administrative services, management of Task Force funds, annual reports of task force assets and expenditures and hiring of Task Force authorized consultants. All documents and presentation (including CBRP presentations to the Task Force) are posted on SAWPA's project website at: [www.sawpa.org/roundtable-MSARTF.html](http://www.sawpa.org/roundtable-MSARTF.html).

### **A.3 Proposition 40 State Grant**

In anticipation of EPA approval of the MSAR Bacterial Indicator TMDL, SAWPA, in cooperation with the urban dischargers (SBCFCD and RCFC&WCD) and on behalf of the Task Force submitted a California Proposition 40 grant proposal (“Grant Project”) to the State Board to support implementation of the TMDL. The State Board approved the Grant Project in fall 2006 and the project was initiated in early 2007.

The overarching purpose of the Grant Project was to accelerate the TMDL implementation process by supporting efforts by urban dischargers to implement TMDL requirements, including the watershed-wide monitoring program and USEP (which are described in more detail below). Within this framework, the Grant Project focused on identifying sources of bacterial indicator contamination in the MSAR watershed and pilot testing BMP technologies designed to reduce bacterial indicators in storm drains (SAWPA 2010b). The results of these activities were used to support the development of this CBRP to achieve compliance with urban wasteload allocations during dry weather conditions.

## A.4 Watershed-wide Compliance Monitoring

Task 3 of the TMDL implementation plan required the responsible jurisdictions named in the TMDL to submit to the RWQCB for approval a proposed watershed-wide compliance monitoring program. The purpose of this program is to provide the data necessary to review and update the TMDL as needed and evaluate compliance with the TMDL wasteload and load allocations. Using the Grant Project as a funding vehicle to initiate this TMDL task, the MSAR Task Force worked with the RWQCB to select compliance sites consistent with the purpose of this monitoring program. Compliance sites were selected based on two key criteria:

- The sites should be located on waterbodies that are impaired and subject to Bacterial Indicator TMDL compliance requirements; and
- The sites should be located in reaches of the impaired waterbodies where REC-1 activity is likely to occur, i.e., there is an increased risk from exposure to pathogens.

Based on these criteria, six watershed-wide compliance monitoring sites were selected originally as compliance sites (Table A-1). One of these sites, Icehouse Canyon Creek was later removed with RWQCB approval<sup>1</sup>. A Monitoring Plan and Quality Assurance Project Plan (QAPP) were prepared to support the monitoring program ([www.sawpa.org/roundtable-MSARTF.html](http://www.sawpa.org/roundtable-MSARTF.html)). Appendix B of the Monitoring Plan provides information regarding each of the monitoring sites listed in Table A-1.

The RWQCB approved the Monitoring Plan and QAPP, and the Task Force initiated sampling in summer 2007. Weekly sampling occurs over a 20-week period during the dry season (April 1 – October 31) and an 11-week period during the wet season (November 1 – March 31). Four samples are collected during and after one wet weather event each year. This sampling program is implemented annually since 2007.

**Table A-1. Watershed-wide Monitoring Program Sample Sites**

MSAR Waterbody	Sample Sites	Site Code <sup>1</sup>
Icehouse Canyon Creek <sup>2</sup>	Icehouse Canyon Creek	WW-C1
Prado Park Lake	Prado Park Lake at Lake Outlet	WW-C3
Chino Creek	Chino Creek at Central Avenue	WW-C7
Mill-Cucamonga Creek	Mill Creek at Chino-Corona Rd	WW-M5
Santa Ana River, Reach 3	Santa Ana River Reach 3 @ MWD Crossing	WW-S1
	Santa Ana River Reach 3 @ Pedley Ave	WW-S4

<sup>1</sup> – Location of sites shown on Figures 3-8 through 3-11.

<sup>2</sup> – Icehouse Canyon Creek was removed from the list of watershed-wide compliance monitoring sites with RWQCB approval.

<sup>1</sup> Bacterial indicator concentrations in Icehouse Canyon Creek were consistently non-detect. The MSAR Bacterial Indicator TMDL Taskforce and the RWQCB determined that this site is representative of water quality from natural background in higher elevation areas, and not representative of natural background in lowland areas, and therefore the site was removed from the list of compliance monitoring sites.

## A.5 Urban Source Evaluation Plan

The MSAR Bacterial Indicator TMDL required permitted MS4 discharges to develop the USEP within six months after TMDL adoption or November 30, 2007. Per Section 4.1 of the TMDL (RWQCB 2005), the purpose of the USEP is to identify specific activities, operations, and processes in urban areas that contribute bacterial indicators to MSAR waterbodies. The plan should also include a proposed schedule for the activities identified and include contingency provisions as needed to reflect any uncertainty in the proposed activities or schedule.

The urban dischargers developed a USEP as part of Grant Project implementation activities. The RWQCB approved the USEP as compliant with TMDL requirements on April 18, 2008 (RWQCB Resolution R8-2008-0044<sup>2</sup>). The approved plan included a four step process for fulfilling the purpose of the USEP (as stated by the TMDL):

- *Step 1: Urban Source Evaluation Monitoring Program* – The first step in the plan is to conduct a monitoring program at key sites to gather bacterial indicator source data associated with urban land uses.
- *Step 2: Risk Characterization* – Step 2 couples the data obtained from Step 1 with other applicable watershed data to characterize the risk of exposure to bacterial indicators and prioritize urban sites for additional investigation.
- *Step 3: Site Investigations* – This step describes the types of actions that may be implemented to further investigate urban bacterial indicator sources. Per the outcome of Step 2, site investigation activities would be focused on high priority sites first.
- *Step 4: Adaptive Implementation* - As new data become available or if changes in recreational uses occur on waterbodies as a result of SWQSTF efforts, then site prioritization or the schedule for USEP implementation may change.

A summary of the elements contained within each of these steps follows. The complete USEP is available at [www.sawpa.org/roundtable-MSARTF.html](http://www.sawpa.org/roundtable-MSARTF.html).

### Urban Source Evaluation Plan Monitoring Program

The MSAR Task Force implemented the urban source monitoring program during both dry and wet seasons in 2007 and 2008. Monitoring activities occurred at 13 locations in the MSAR watershed, including all major subwatersheds that drain to waters listed as impaired for bacterial indicators in the MSAR watershed. Table A-2 provides information on the location of each monitoring site. Additional information about each sample location is available in Appendix C of the Monitoring Plan available at [www.sawpa.org/roundtable-MSARTF.html](http://www.sawpa.org/roundtable-MSARTF.html).

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<sup>2</sup> Available from the Regional Board's website at:  
[www.waterboards.ca.gov/santaana/water\\_issues/programs/tmdl/msar\\_tmdl.shtml](http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/santaana/water_issues/programs/tmdl/msar_tmdl.shtml)

**Table A-2. Urban Source Evaluation Plan Monitoring Program Sample Locations**

MSAR Waterbody	Waterbody Reach <sup>1</sup>	Sample Location	Site Code <sup>2</sup>
Santa Ana River	Reach 3	Santa Ana River (SAR) at La Cadena Drive	US-SAR
		Box Springs Channel at Tequesquite Avenue	US-BXSP
		Sunnyslope Channel near confluence with SAR	US-SNCH
		Anza Drain near confluence with Riverside effluent channel	US-ANZA
		San Sevaine Channel in Riverside near confluence with SAR	US-SSCH
		Day Creek at Lucretia Avenue	US-DAY
		Temescal Wash at Lincoln Avenue	US-TEM
Chino Creek	Reach 1	Cypress Channel at Kimball Avenue	US-CYP
	Reach 2	San Antonio Channel at Walnut Ave	US-SACH
		Carbon Canyon Creek Channel at Pipeline Avenue	US-CCCH
Mill-Cucamonga Creek	Prado Area	Chris Basin Outflow (Lower Deer Creek)	US-CHRIS
		County Line Channel near confluence with Cucamonga Creek	US-CLCH
	Reach 1	Cucamonga Creek at Highway 60 (Above RP1)	US-CUC

<sup>1</sup> - Reaches are defined in the Basin Plan.

<sup>2</sup> - Location of sites shown in Attachment B

To characterize bacterial indicator concentrations at each site (along with flow and other field parameters), samples were collected over four five-week periods in both the dry and wet seasons. Samples were collected from each site to identify sites where human, bovine or domestic canine sources of bacterial indicator were prevalent. Attachment B provides a summary of the results of this monitoring program (see also SAWPA 2009). While human and domestic canine sources have a high potential to be found in most portions of the MS4 system, bovine sources are likely to be restricted to areas potentially influenced by dairy farming activities. In the MSAR watershed, the number of dairy farms has declined significantly in recent years and will continue to be replaced with new urban development (SAWPA 2010c).

## Risk Characterization

The USEP established a framework for prioritizing sites for follow-up investigation of urban sources of bacterial indicators based on a characterization of risk of exposure to pathogens. Three key factors drive the characterization process:

- *Exceedance Factor* - The first factor to be evaluated in the framework is the frequency and magnitude by which the bacterial indicator exceeds the water quality objective. The greater the frequency and magnitude of recorded exceedances, the higher the likelihood that the contamination can be tracked back to its source. Intermittent, low intensity events are more difficult to detect and, therefore, more difficult to trace.

- *Contagion Factor* – Human beings, particularly children are believed to be at greater risk of infection from water-borne pathogens generated by other people (EPA 2007). Accordingly, the risk of illness resulting from recreational use is believed to be highest where microbial source tracking methods (e.g. *Bacteroides*) indicate the probable presence of human pathogens. After human sources, exposure to fecal contamination from agricultural animals is the next most important concern (EPA 2007).
- *Exposure Factor* - A higher investigation/implementation priority should be assigned to locations and conditions where recreational activities are most likely to occur. Exceedances that occur in natural channels, during warmer months with relatively moderate flows, merit a higher priority than those that may occur in a concrete flood control channel during a winter rainstorm. This different priority is based on the assumption that the number of persons likely to be exposed is much higher in the first case than in the second.

The factors described above drive the prioritization of urban source investigation activities established in the USEP. Figure A-1 provides a framework for priority ranking from high (1) to low (8). Generally speaking, the highest priority sites are those where:

- Magnitude and frequency of bacterial indicator exceedance are high;
- *Bacteroides* marker analysis indicates the persistent presence of human sources of bacterial indicators;
- The site is in an area, or is close to an area, where recreational activities are likely to occur; and
- Observed exceedances and the presence of human sources of bacterial indicators occur during periods when people are most likely to be present, e.g., during warm months and dry periods.

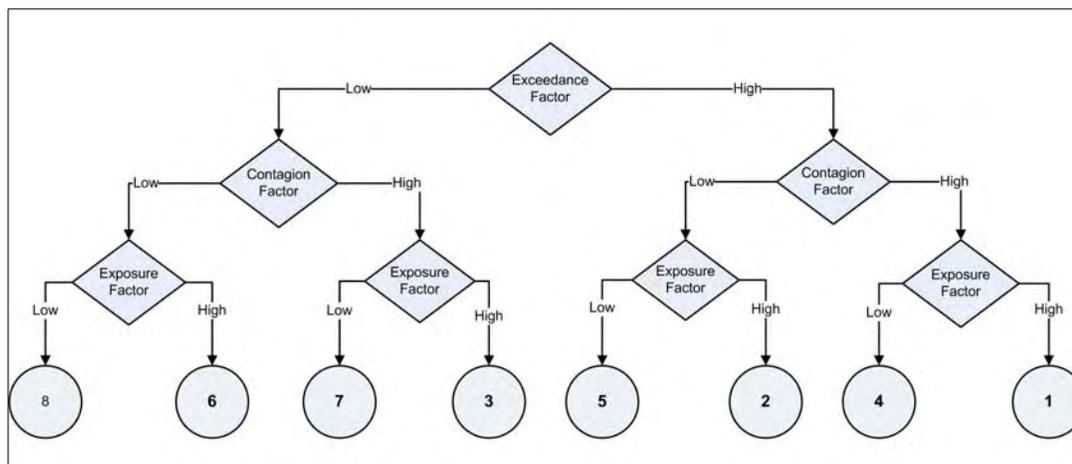


Figure A-1. Risk Characterization Framework

In contrast, the lowest priority sites for urban dischargers would be those where the bacterial indicator exceedance frequency and magnitude is low, human or other urban sources, e.g., domestic dogs, are not present, and the site is not used for water contact recreation, e.g., a concrete, vertical walled flood control channel. Sites with bacterial indicators from agricultural sources are referred to the RWQCB for follow-up action with agricultural dischargers.

The exceedance, contagion and exposure factors provide the basic foundation for prioritizing sites or areas for further investigative activities. As appropriate, additional factors may be considered to more clearly define the priority between several sites with similar priorities based on the three base factors, as described above. For example, other relevant considerations may include regulatory factors, e.g., the waterbody may be reclassified as a result of Basin Plan changes or the source is determined to be uncontrollable.

The results of the 2007-2008 USEP monitoring program provided the first opportunity to rank sites based on the factors described above. This prioritization is still valid with regards to the preparation of this CBRP. However, as additional data are developed during CBRP implementation, priorities may be revised (as envisioned in Step 4 of the USEP). Attachment B summarizes the results of the 2007-2008 USEP program and how this information was used to prioritize TMDL implementation activities.

## Site Investigations

The USEP describes the types of actions that may be implemented to further investigate urban sources of bacterial indicators. Investigative strategies would be developed at six month intervals to address the highest priority needs. In principle, resources would be directed to the high priority areas first; implementation activities in lower priority sites would occur only after high priority sites have been addressed. However, when necessary, the priority for any site can be elevated, particularly if new data become available that changes the priority for action.

The USEP identifies three general types of investigative activities: Channel surveys; enhanced tracking methods; and controllability assessments. These activities would typically be implemented sequentially at a given site, e.g., complete channel survey work before implementing an enhanced tracking method, but a step could be skipped if the source of the elevated levels of bacterial indicators is generally known. Following is a summary of the investigative tools envisioned for implementation under each investigative activity type in the USEP:

- *Channel Surveys* - Surveys may be conducted to better define sources of bacterial indicators. Example survey tools could include:
  - UAA development (consistent with SWQSTF methods) to refine application of the recreational uses in the Basin Plan.

- Source tracking studies in tributaries or outfalls to better define the urban sources of bacterial indicators.
- Flow loading from tributaries and other outfalls to evaluate potential for these sources to contribute significant numbers of bacterial indicators.
- Preliminary source reconnaissance to identify potential sources of bacterial indicators including (a) direct human sources (e.g., leaking sewers or septic systems, transient camps, illicit discharges); (b) domesticated animals associated with urban land use, especially areas where domesticated animals are concentrated; and (c) wildlife concentration areas (e.g., birds, rodents, squirrels, rabbits, feral cats and dogs)
- *Enhanced Tracking Methods* – These methods provide a means to narrow down urban sources of bacterial indicators, including where to prioritize implementation efforts. Examples of tools that may be used to support enhanced source tracking include:
  - Evaluation of relative contribution of bacterial indicators by flow sources to determine which tributaries or drains contribute the most numbers of bacterial indicators to the waterbody.
  - Use of constituent-specific sampling (analgesics, hormones, caffeine, antibiotics, nutrients, surfactants, etc.) to identify potential flow sources.
  - Use of patterns and trends analyses to identify conditions under which elevated levels of bacterial indicators occur.
- *Controllability Assessments* – Where a bacterial indicator source requiring mitigation is identified, the final step in the investigative process is to determine the controllability of the source. Controllability is largely dependent on the nature of the source. For example, elevated levels of bacterial indicators attributable to wildlife or impacts associated with use of the waterbody as a conduit for water transfers may limit the controllability of the source. In these instances, it may not be feasible to control the source. Controllability assessments will consider three alternatives:
  - Prevention (or source control) activities, including for example repair of all sewer leaks, better control of domestic animals, moving transient camps, stronger enforcement of illicit discharges, etc.
  - Construction of low flow diversions to intercept DWFs and send the water to a facility for recharge or to a regional wastewater treatment facility.
  - Use of on-site or regional BMPs, e.g., detention ponds, wetlands and bioswales for regional treatment. The practicability of using these facilities would be considered on a site-specific basis.

## Adaptive Implementation

Adaptive implementation is an iterative process commonly incorporated into TMDL implementation plans to provide a means to reassess compliance strategies based on new data or analyses. Given the large uncertainty associated with control of pollutants such as bacterial indicators, an adaptive implementation component was included in the USEP framework to provide opportunity, where appropriate, to reconsider priorities. This adaptive component has been carried forward into this CBRP.

## USEP Implementation

The USEP contains an implementation schedule that centers around periodic implementation of source evaluation activities to identify sources of bacterial indicators for potential mitigation. Along with these activities, the USEP requires submittal of a semi-annual report to document ongoing and planned activities related to the management of urban sources of bacterial indicators. These reports have been submitted since July 2009.

In spring 2009 the Task Force established the first priority areas for further investigation based on the findings of the 2007-2008 USEP monitoring program and ongoing watershed-wide monitoring at the compliance sites (see Attachment B for a discussion of this prioritization process). In fall 2009 the Task Force authorized two USEP-based studies:

- Source Evaluation Activities in Carbon Canyon Creek and Cypress Channels in San Bernardino County – The data analysis report prepared after completion of 2007-2008 monitoring activities (SAWPA 2009a) prioritized the next steps for USEP implementation based on the risk characterization approach described above. USEP sample locations with a combination of the largest number of exceedances of bacterial indicator water quality objectives, highest levels of bacterial indicators, and most frequent indications of contamination by human sources were given the highest priority for additional source evaluation activities. Accordingly, the Cypress Channel subwatershed was ranked high for follow-up investigations. In contrast, the Carbon Canyon Creek subwatershed was ranked very low as both the frequency of exceedances of water quality objectives and the levels of bacterial indicators was relatively low.

Both the Cypress Channel and Carbon Canyon Creek drainage areas were recommended for source evaluation studies. Evaluation of the Carbon Canyon Creek subwatershed was included to determine if any site-specific characteristics could be identified that provide insight into how to reduce bacterial indicator levels elsewhere. Source evaluation activities involved a desktop level characterization as well as field reconnaissance to identify subwatershed or in-stream characteristics which may contribute to high or low levels of bacterial indicators at either site. A technical memorandum summarizing the findings of this effort was prepared (SAWPA 2010d).

- *Dry Weather Runoff Controllability Assessment for Lower Deer Creek Subwatershed (Chris Basin) in San Bernardino County* – SAWPA (2009a) identified Chris Basin as a high priority site for bacteria source evaluation activities. Given its location at the confluence of Cucamonga Creek and Lower Deer Creek, Chris Basin has the potential to be retrofitted for use as a regional treatment BMP for dry weather runoff. The USEP study evaluated opportunities to retrofit the site to capture DWFs and eliminate the existing dry weather discharge to Cucamonga Creek. A technical memorandum summarizing the findings of this study was prepared (SAWPA 2010e).

Both of the above USEP studies recommended a number of follow-up actions applicable to both urban dischargers and the RWQCB. These actions will be incorporated as appropriate into future source evaluation activities conducted in these areas as the CBRP is implemented.

Urban dischargers are currently implementing the following source evaluation activities:

- During the 2007-2008 USEP monitoring program, human source bacteria were regularly detected and high bacterial indicator concentrations were present in Box Springs Channel. Following a local investigation in 2008, a sanitary/storm sewer cross connection was identified and corrected. Sampling is occurring in spring 2011 to evaluate current bacterial indicator levels and verify that human source bacteria are no longer present.
- When the USEP program was implemented in 2007-2008 no samples were collected from sites representing the Cities of Pomona and Claremont (portion of MSAR watershed in Los Angeles County). Sample collection is occurring under dry weather conditions in spring 2011 to provide a preliminary characterization of bacteria loading from this portion of the MSAR watershed.
- A source evaluation study is currently being implemented to obtain additional information regarding the variability of dry weather flows in stormwater channels/outfalls in the MSAR watershed. The information gained from this effort is being combined with other available dry weather hydrology data to draw conclusions regarding characteristics of typical dry weather flows, especially the nature of their variability. These data have been incorporated into the flow analyses included in the CBRP's compliance analysis.

Findings from the above source evaluation activities carried out a part of USEP implementation will be reported through the MSAR Task Force. In the future, source evaluation activities described in this CBRP will supersede the USEP and become the focus of bacterial indicator source evaluation activities planned for the MSAR watershed.

## **A.6 Triennial Review Summary**

Task 6 in the implementation section of the MSAR Bacterial Indicator TMDL requires preparation of a water quality assessment every three years that summarizes the data collected for the preceding three year period and evaluates progress towards compliance with wasteload and load allocations. Referred to as a Triennial Report, the requirement for this assessment is also in the MS4 permit (Appendix 3, III.3.D.1.b). The first of these Triennial Reports was submitted to the RWQCB as required by February 15, 2010 (SAWPA 2010a).

The Triennial Report findings, relevant to the MS4 wasteload allocation, are provided in Attachment B of this CBRP (the full report is available at [www.sawpa.org/roundtable-MSARTF.html](http://www.sawpa.org/roundtable-MSARTF.html)). These findings provide the baseline for the CBRP analysis that demonstrates that implementation of this CBRP is expected to achieve compliance with the wasteload allocation by December 15, 2015. Additional Triennial Reports will be prepared in 2013 and 2016 as part of CBRP implementation.

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## Watershed Characterization

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## **B.1 Middle Santa Ana River Watershed**

The following sections provide background information regarding the general characteristics of the MSAR watershed, including major subwatersheds, key jurisdictions and dominant land use.

### **General Description**

The Santa Ana River watershed, located in southern California, encompasses an area of approximately 2,800 square miles. Surface water flows begin in the San Bernardino and San Gabriel Mountains and flow in a generally northeast to southwest direction to the Pacific Ocean. Flows are interrupted by a number of features ranging from groundwater recharge basins to Prado Basin Dam. The MSAR watershed encompasses an area of approximately 488 square miles and is located generally in the north central portion of the Santa Ana River watershed (Figure B-1).

The MSAR watershed includes the southwestern part of San Bernardino County, the northwestern part of Riverside County, and a small portion of Los Angeles County (Figure B-1). Riverside County jurisdictions participating in this CBRP include the County of Riverside and the Cities of Corona, Norco, and Riverside (Figure B-2). The City of Eastvale recently incorporated in 2010 and will be required to be a participant in the CBRP. Jurupa Valley is also in the process of incorporating and currently incorporation is anticipated for July 2011.

Lying within an arid region, limited natural perennial surface water is present in the watershed. Flows derived from mountain areas (snowmelt or storm runoff) are mostly captured by dams or percolated in recharge basins. In the transition zone from mountains to lower lying valley areas, the sources of surface water flows vary, e.g., dry weather urban runoff, such as occurs from irrigation, stormwater runoff during rain events, treated municipal wastewater discharges, water transfers, dewatering discharges and other permitted discharges, and rising groundwater.

The largest order waterbody in the MSAR watershed is Reach 3 of the Santa Ana River which flows from Mission Boulevard to Prado Basin Dam, where Prado Dam controls flows from the middle to the lower part of the Santa Ana River watershed. Downstream of Mission Boulevard, there is less channelization of the Santa Ana River, allowing for larger meanders and riparian habitat extent within a wider floodplain. A number of major tributaries to the MSAR exist, many of which have been modified for flood control purposes.

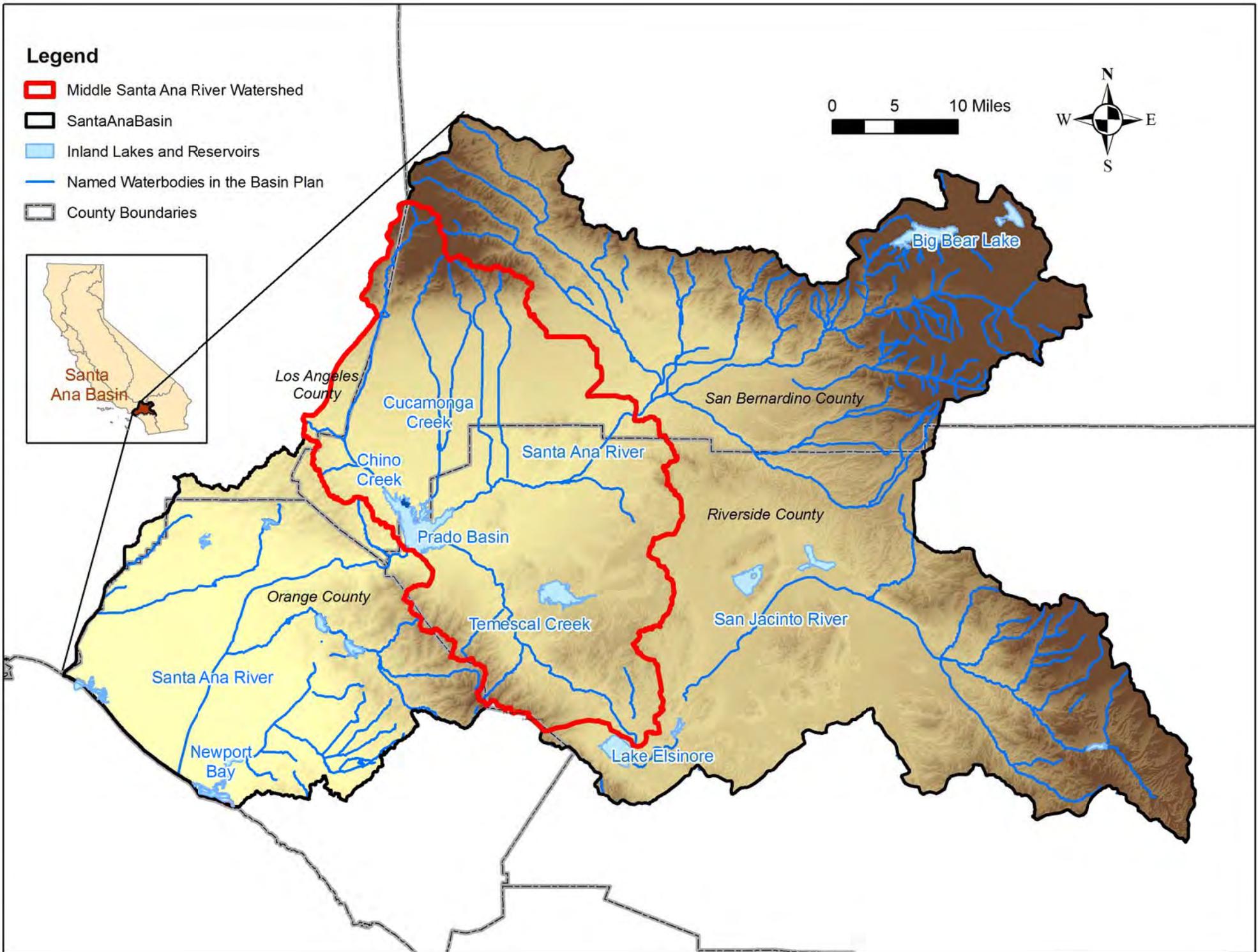
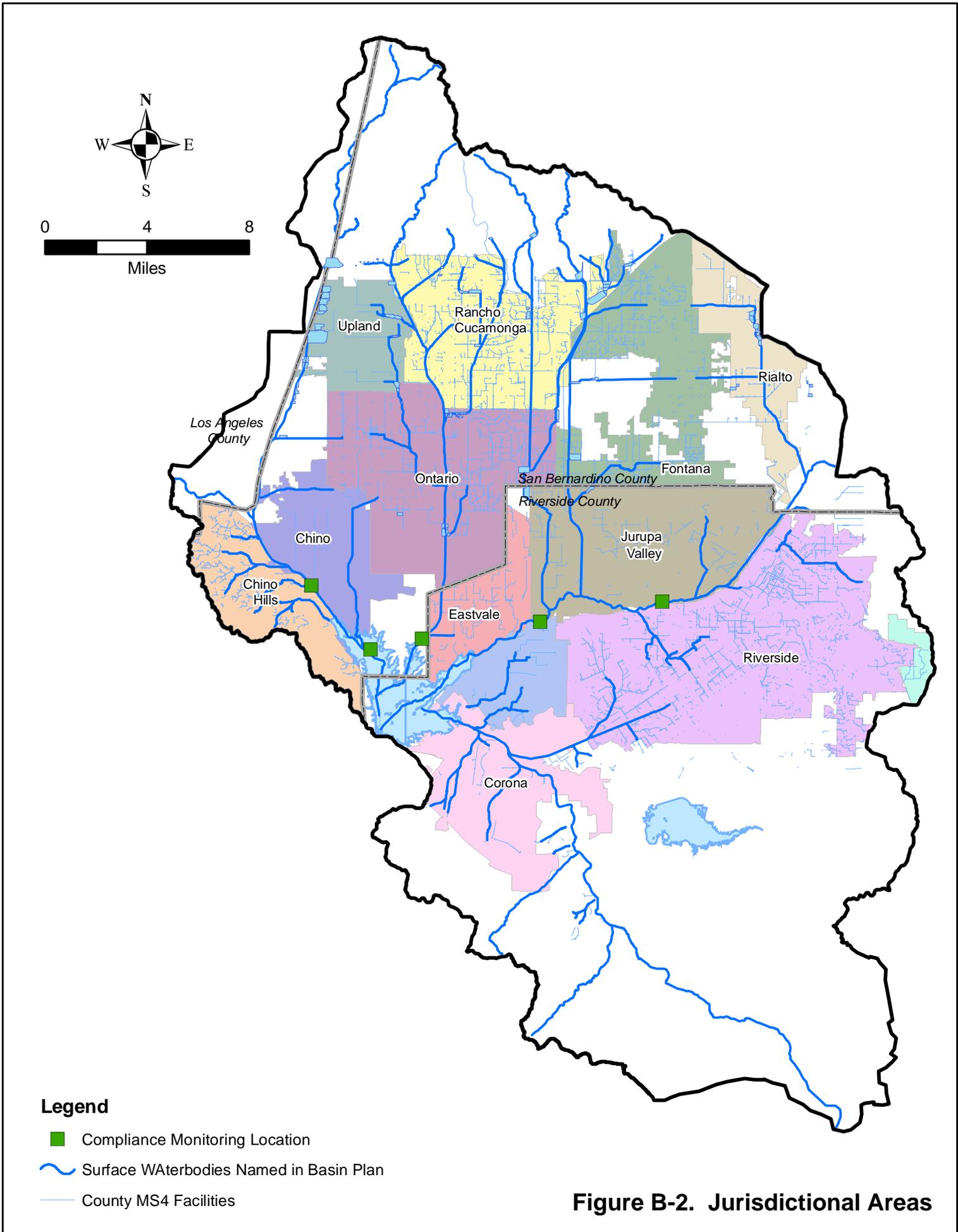


Figure B-1. Santa Ana River Watershed



**Legend**

- Compliance Monitoring Location
- ~ Surface Waterbodies Named in Basin Plan
- County MS4 Facilities

**Figure B-2. Jurisdictional Areas**

Based on 2000 census data, the population of the MSAR watershed is approximately 1.4 million people. Much of the lowland areas are highly developed; however, a portion of the watershed remains largely agricultural - the area formerly known as the Chino Dairy Preserve. This area is located in the south central part of the Chino Creek Basin subwatershed. At the time of TMDL development the area contained approximately 300,000 cows (RWQCB 2005). As of January 2009, this number was down to about 138,500 (email communication, Ed Kashak, RWQCB, to Pat Boldt, representative of agricultural interests and MSAR Task Force member, December 8, 2009). In recent years, the cities of Ontario, Chino, and Chino Hills annexed the unincorporated portions of this area in San Bernardino County. The remaining portion of the former preserve, which is in Riverside County, was recently incorporated in the City of Eastvale ([http://www.rcip.org/pdf\\_files/maps\\_09\\_24\\_03/lowres/Fig3\\_4Eastvale.pdf](http://www.rcip.org/pdf_files/maps_09_24_03/lowres/Fig3_4Eastvale.pdf)).

## Major Subwatersheds

The MSAR watershed is divided into several major subwatersheds to provide a basis for evaluating compliance with TMDL urban wasteload allocations. These subwatersheds drain to the following watershed-wide compliance points as established in the watershed-wide monitoring program (see Section 2.4) (Figure B-3; see Table A-1):

- Chino Creek at Central Avenue (WW-C7) - No portion of this subwatershed is in Riverside County.
- Mill-Cucamonga Creek at Chino-Corona Road (WW-M5) - With the exception of a small area in Riverside County, drainage area is mostly in San Bernardino County.
- Santa Ana River at MWD Crossing (WW-S1) - Areas of both Riverside and San Bernardino Counties drain to this site.
- Santa Ana River at Pedley Avenue (WW-S4) - Areas of both Riverside and San Bernardino Counties drain to this site.
- Prado Park Lake (WW-C3) - Entire drainage area to this location is in San Bernardino County.

Another important subwatershed in the MSAR watershed is Temescal Creek. Temescal Creek is tributary to the Prado Basin Management Zone, which is not listed as impaired. The RWQCB has not listed Temescal Creek as impaired by bacterial indicators and, therefore, no watershed-wide compliance monitoring location has been established on this waterbody. The confluence of Temescal Creek within the Prado Basin Management Zone is also well downstream of the watershed-wide bacterial indicator TMDL compliance monitoring site at Santa Ana River at Pedley Avenue.

The Temescal subwatershed is very large and significant portions of the upper part of the drainage area are hydrologically disconnected from downstream areas (see also

Attachment B.2), including the portion upstream of Lake Elsinore, where the Lake Elsinore Spillway retains DWFs, and the Lake Mathews watershed. Lake Mathews, which is a water supply reservoir owned by Metropolitan Water District (MWD), has no allowable recreational use and there are no discharges of dry or wet weather flow from this reservoir.

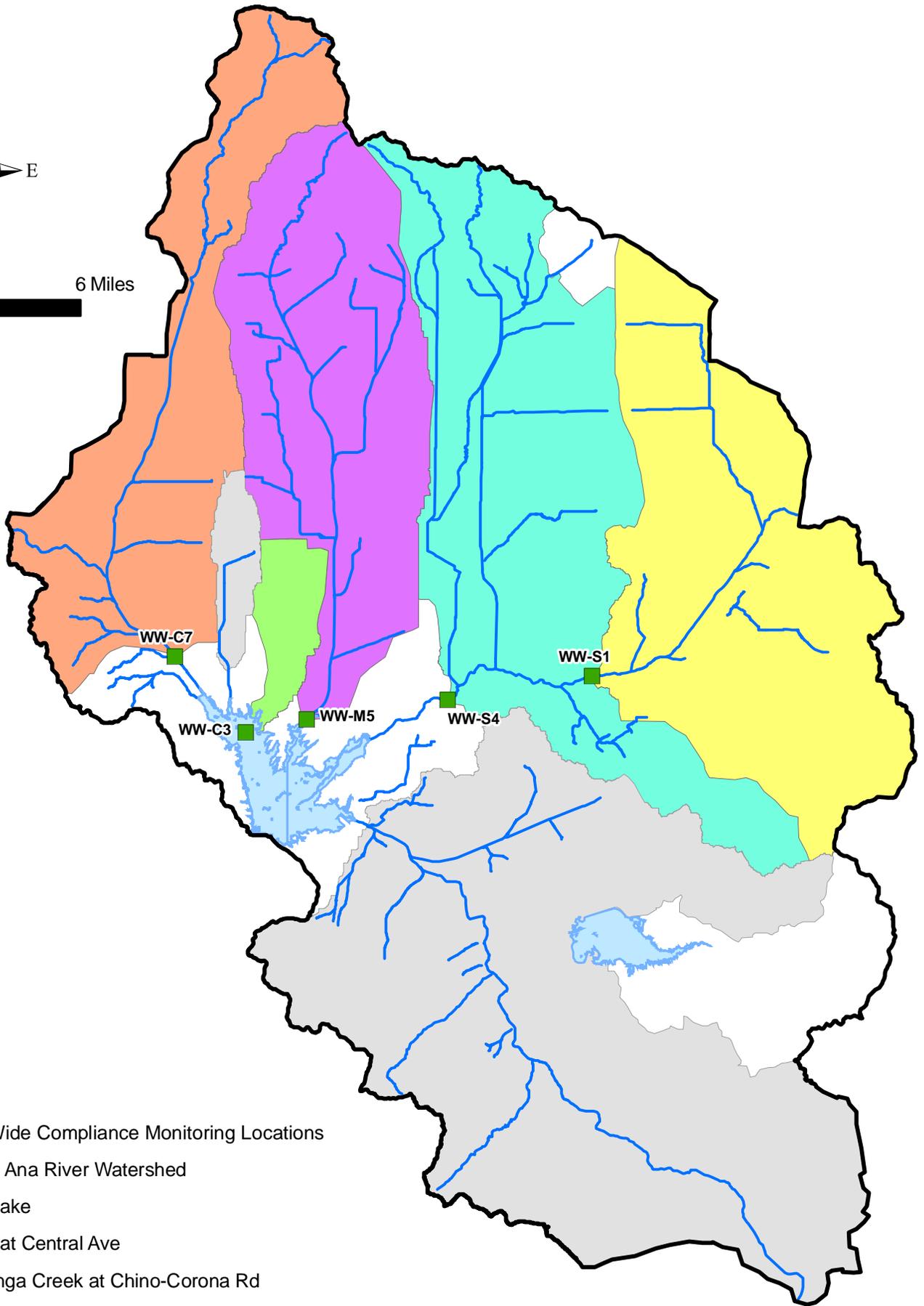
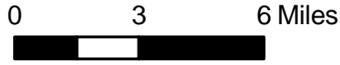
## **Jurisdictions**

Table B-1 summarizes the jurisdictional area of each MS4-permitted city and unincorporated county area that drains to each of the MSAR watershed-wide compliance monitoring locations. Although this CBRP only applies to areas within Riverside County, the jurisdictional areas outside of Riverside County are included in Table B-1 to illustrate the relative importance of Riverside and San Bernardino County MS4 programs to the watershed-wide compliance locations.

## **Land Use**

Land use distribution has the potential to affect flow volume and bacterial indicator concentrations under dry weather conditions. Table B-1 provides the land use distribution for each jurisdiction in each of the areas draining to the watershed-wide compliance monitoring locations.

Land use in the MSAR watershed includes a variety of categories as defined by the Southern California Association of Governments (SCAG 2005). Related categories were lumped together to reflect major types of land uses, e.g., agricultural or industrial related land uses. Figure B-4 illustrates the resulting spatial land use pattern, at least as most recently available in the 2005 SCAG dataset. Residential land uses make up the greatest fraction of urbanized drainage area in the MSAR watershed (~50 percent). In some areas there is more agricultural land use than urban. Accordingly, compliance activities targeted at agricultural lands might provide the most significant water quality benefits. These compliance activities are not the responsibility of the MS4 program; they are the responsibility of the agricultural dischargers named in the TMDL.



**Legend**

-  Watershed-Wide Compliance Monitoring Locations
-  Middle Santa Ana River Watershed
-  Prado Park Lake
-  Chino Creek at Central Ave
-  Mill-Cucamonga Creek at Chino-Corona Rd
-  Santa Ana River at MWD Crossing
-  Santa Ana River at Pedley Ave
-  Temescal Creek

**Figure B-3. Major Sub-watersheds Draining to TMDL Compliance Sites**

**Table B-1. Jurisdictional area and percent land use in each of the major MSAR subwatersheds (areas outside of Riverside County included to show land use percentages of all areas draining to watershed-wide compliance sites).**

Jurisdictions within MSAR Subwatersheds	Drainage Area (acres)	Agricultural	Commercial Institutional	Industrial	Infrastructure	Mixed Urban	Natural Vacant	Open Space Recreation	Residential	Water Wetlands
<b>Chino Creek at Central Avenue (WW-C7)</b>	<b>54,607</b>									
Chino	7,659	10%	15%	25%	5%	1%	4%	2%	38%	0%
Chino Hills	6,125	6%	7%	0%	3%	0%	42%	2%	40%	0%
Montclair	3,537	1%	24%	12%	5%	1%	4%	2%	51%	0%
Ontario	2,721	3%	16%	6%	0%	1%	3%	4%	67%	0%
Upland	5,161	0%	13%	17%	7%	0%	11%	1%	51%	0%
Unincorporated San Bernardino	13,714	2%	1%	1%	1%	0%	81%	1%	13%	0%
Claremont	3,011	0%	21%	2%	6%	0%	30%	8%	32%	1%
Pomona	6,707	0%	15%	10%	6%	0%	9%	3%	57%	0%
Unincorporated Los Angeles	5,972	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	99%	0%	1%	0%
<b>Mill-Cucamonga Creek at Chino-Corona Road (WW-M5)</b>	<b>55,456</b>									
Chino	618	65%	0%	0%	2%	2%	26%	0%	5%	0%
Ontario	18,006	20%	7%	19%	16%	1%	13%	2%	22%	0%
Rancho Cucamonga	5,256	1%	10%	8%	6%	1%	11%	3%	60%	0%
Upland	4,871	2%	10%	5%	7%	5%	4%	4%	62%	1%
Unincorporated San Bernardino	13,860	0%	0%	0%	4%	0%	91%	0%	5%	0%
Eastvale	2,815	32%	1%	10%	3%	5%	28%	1%	20%	0%
Unincorporated Riverside	30	1%	0%	20%	59%	0%	19%	0%	1%	0%
<b>Prado Park Lake (WW-C3)</b>	<b>6,878</b>									
Chino	2,255	45%	4%	1%	14%	10%	18%	5%	1%	2%
Ontario	4,623	66%	2%	0%	3%	0%	6%	2%	21%	0%
<b>Santa Ana River at MWD Crossing (WW-S1)</b>	<b>65,017</b>									

**Table B-1. Jurisdictional area and percent land use in each of the major MSAR subwatersheds (areas outside of Riverside County included to show land use percentages of all areas draining to watershed-wide compliance sites).**

Jurisdictions within MSAR Subwatersheds	Drainage Area (acres)	Agricultural	Commercial Institutional	Industrial	Infrastructure	Mixed Urban	Natural Vacant	Open Space Recreation	Residential	Water Wetlands
Fontana	4,486	1%	9%	1%	2%	0%	33%	1%	53%	0%
Rialto	11,490	0%	7%	13%	13%	4%	21%	1%	41%	0%
Riverside	26,442	3%	11%	7%	5%	2%	25%	4%	43%	0%
Unincorporated San Bernardino	5,867	4%	6%	12%	9%	1%	18%	3%	47%	0%
Jurupa Valley	8,772	7%	5%	10%	5%	0%	34%	11%	28%	0%
Unincorporated Riverside	7,155	7%	12%	1%	5%	3%	40%	22%	10%	0%
San Bernardino	804	1%	11%	2%	7%	1%	10%	2%	66%	0%
<b>Santa Ana River at Pedley Avenue (WW-S4)</b>	<b>89,253</b>									
Fontana	21,620	3%	9%	11%	8%	3%	25%	4%	37%	0%
Norco	141	4%	0%	0%	1%	0%	35%	7%	53%	0%
Ontario	3,819	0%	11%	59%	18%	0%	12%	0%	0%	0%
Rancho Cucamonga	10,457	1%	8%	13%	17%	6%	23%	1%	31%	0%
Riverside	12,990	14%	12%	4%	3%	1%	23%	2%	41%	0%
Unincorporated San Bernardino	19,047	0%	4%	12%	7%	1%	67%	0%	9%	0%
Eastvale	317	43%	1%	18%	29%	5%	3%	0%	1%	0%
Jurupa Valley	17,952	5%	5%	11%	4%	1%	25%	10%	39%	0%
Unincorporated Riverside	2,909	6%	2%	6%	10%	1%	23%	0%	52%	0%
<b>Temescal Creek</b>	<b>118,583</b>									
Corona	18,879	5%	9%	8%	7%	4%	22%	3%	42%	0%
Norco	2,372	4%	9%	4%	1%	1%	37%	4%	40%	0%
Riverside	11,998	15%	11%	2%	2%	2%	23%	1%	44%	0%
Unincorporated Riverside	85,333	4%	1%	2%	0%	2%	78%	1%	12%	0%
<b>Lake Mathews</b>	<b>24,671</b>									
Riverside	6	0%	49%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	51%	0%
Unincorporated Riverside	24,664	6%	3%	0%	0%	2%	54%	2%	22%	11%
<b>Other Drainages to Prado Basin</b>	<b>39,842</b>									
Chino	8,440	47%	3%	4%	5%	1%	19%	6%	14%	1%

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Jurisdictions within MSAR Subwatersheds	Drainage Area (acres)	Agricultural	Commercial Institutional	Industrial	Infrastructure	Mixed Urban	Natural Vacant	Open Space Recreation	Residential	Water Wetlands
Chino Hills	7,626	0%	2%	1%	4%	3%	56%	5%	29%	0%
Corona	3,483	0%	7%	23%	8%	0%	30%	4%	28%	0%
Norco	6,328	4%	13%	1%	3%	2%	21%	1%	54%	1%
Ontario	2,778	20%	12%	2%	5%	0%	3%	1%	57%	0%
Rialto	4	0%	0%	0%	11%	0%	63%	0%	26%	0%
Riverside	139	0%	0%	0%	1%	0%	98%	0%	1%	0%
Unincorporated San Bernardino	127	11%	0%	0%	2%	0%	59%	23%	0%	5%
Unincorporated Los Angeles	0	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	100%	0%	0%	0%
Eastvale	6,279	26%	1%	0%	4%	16%	19%	9%	25%	0%
Jurupa Valley	382	13%	0%	0%	0%	0%	26%	11%	50%	0%
Unincorporated Riverside	4,256	1%	1%	2%	13%	0%	46%	27%	6%	4%

## B.2 Dry Weather Hydrology

Regular flows exist in many MSAR waterbodies during dry weather conditions. Sources of flow during dry weather include:

- Tertiary treated effluent from POTWs
- Turnouts of imported water by the MWD purchased for groundwater recharge by water agencies in the Santa Ana River watershed
- Groundwater inputs from areas of rising groundwater
- Temporary de minimums discharges, such as well blow-offs
- Water transfers between water agencies for conjunctive use programs
- Authorized non-stormwater discharges (as defined by WDRs issued by the RWQCB)
- Non-permitted discharges including Phase II MS4 discharges.

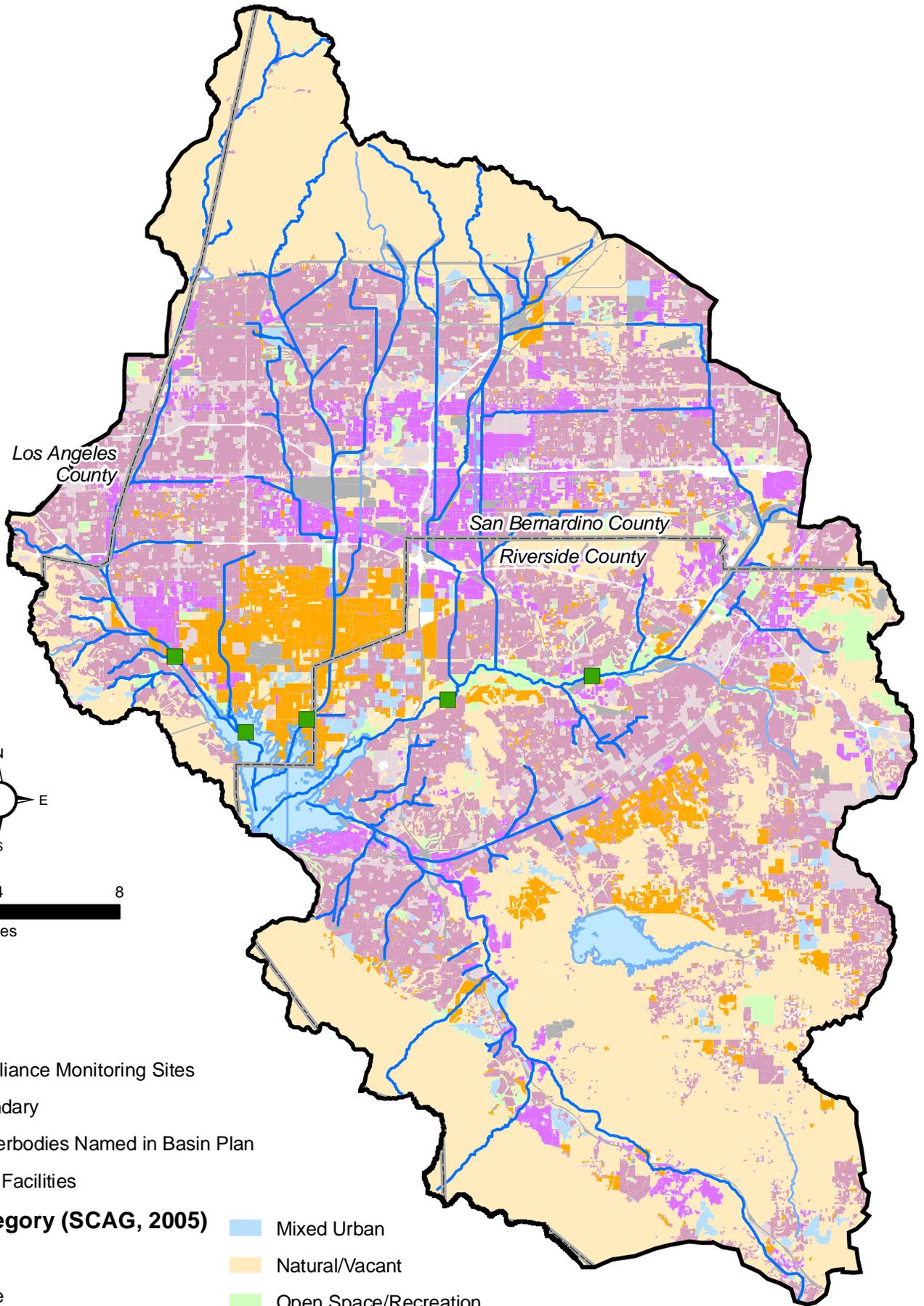
Each of these sources of DWF has a different pathway and potential to transport bacterial indicators to receiving waterbodies. Thus, it is important to understand the relative role of each of these categories of DWF.

Within the MSAR watershed, many MS4 drainage areas do not typically cause or contribute to flow at the compliance monitoring sites. DWF from these drainage areas is hydrologically disconnected from the TMDL receiving waterbodies, by either purposefully recharging groundwater in constructed regional retention facilities or through losses in earthen channel bottoms, where the recharge capacity of underlying soils exceeds dry weather runoff generated in upstream drainage areas (Figure B-5).

Flow data was not available downstream of some portions of MS4 drainage areas; therefore it was necessary to approximate DWF from these areas to complete a water balance for each TMDL compliance monitoring site. Within the Chino Basin portion of the MSAR watershed, the Inland Empire Utilities Agency (IEUA) measures flow at a number of locations to quantify groundwater recharge for water supply benefit. For Riverside County MS4 drainage areas, this monitoring data is the geographically closest characterization of its type. Flow measurements, on days when DWF is predominantly from urban sources, suggest that DWF from urban sources occur at a rate of 100 gal/acre/day in the MSAR watershed, ranging from 20 to 280 gal/acre/day (Table B-2). This is consistent with DWF generation rates developed to support the City of Los Angeles Integrated Resources Plan (2004), which estimated DWF rates from urban watersheds ranging from zero to 300 gallons/acre/day. Thus, it was reasonable to use a rate of 100 gal/acre/day to approximate urban sources of DWF from unmonitored MS4 outfalls that may be hydrologically connected to a TMDL waterbody.

**Table B-2. Urban dry weather flow in MSAR watershed upstream of IEUA flow measurement locations**

<b>Location</b>	<b>Average Dry Weather Flow (cfs)</b>	<b>Urban Runoff Rate (gal/ac/day)</b>
Grove Basin	0.04	111
West State Street Storm Drain	0.05	19
8th St. Storm Drain into 8th St.	0.17	82
West Cucamonga Inlet @ 8th St. B	0.41	92
Turner 1 Inlet from Cucamonga Cr	0.49	36
Deer Creek Drop Inlet @ Turner 4	1.58	110
Deer Creek @ 4th St. Overpass	1.06	105
Turner 4 - Guasti Creek	0.19	219
Lower Day Basin Forebay Storm Dr	0.02	63
San Sevaine Basin 5 Storm Drain	0.19	81
Victoria Basin Inlet	0.05	49
RP3 Basin Distribution Channel Inlet	0.32	53
Declez Channel at Live Oak	0.27	282
Declez Channel by School	0.16	98
Average of all Sites		100



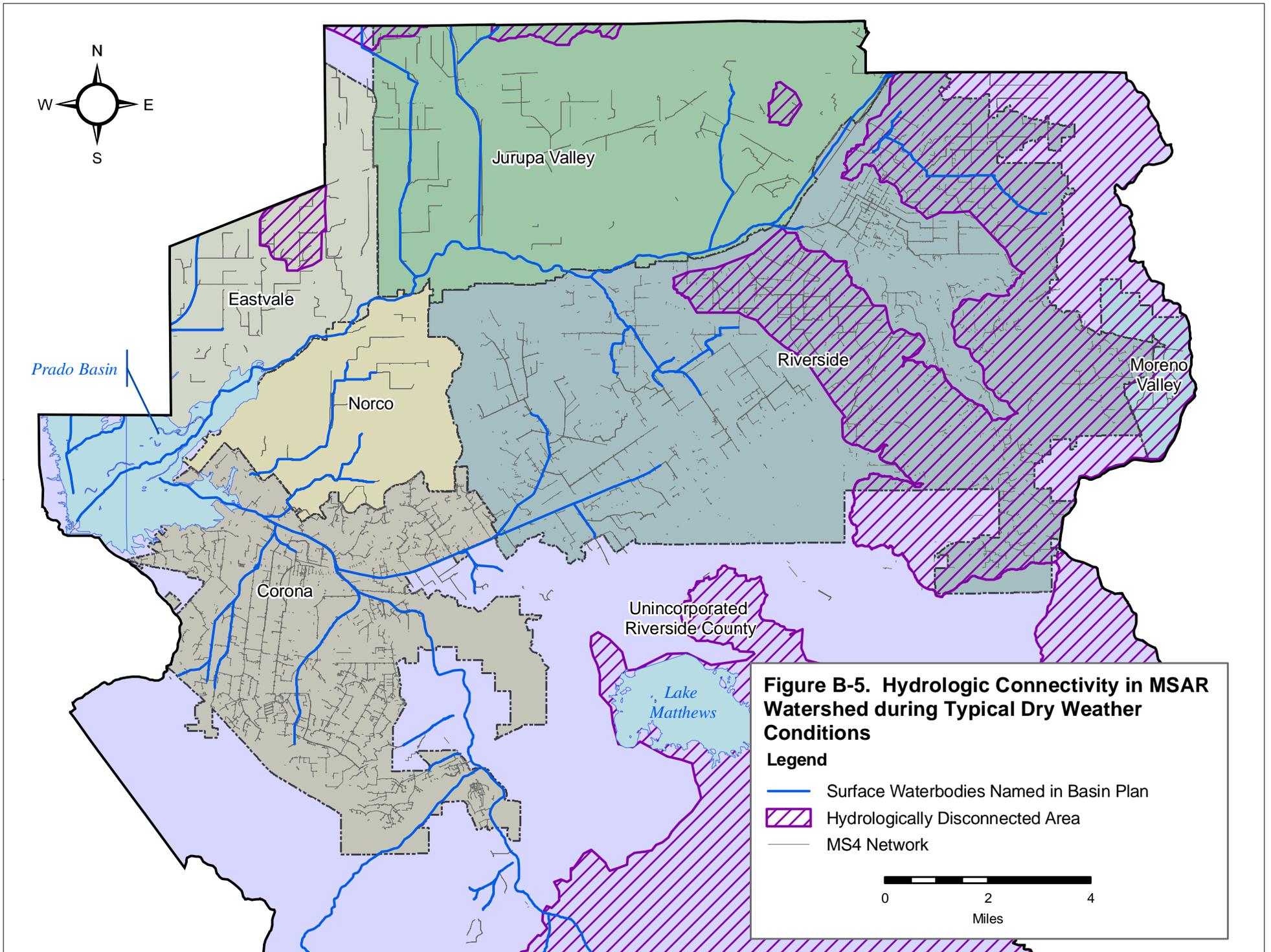
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- TMDL Compliance Monitoring Sites
- County Boundary
- ~ Surface Waterbodies Named in Basin Plan
- County MS4 Facilities

**Land Use Category (SCAG, 2005)**

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| <span style="color: orange;">■</span> Agriculture                 | <span style="color: lightblue;">■</span> Mixed Urban            |
| <span style="color: grey;">■</span> Infrastructure                | <span style="color: yellow;">■</span> Natural/Vacant            |
| <span style="color: lightgrey;">■</span> Commercial/Institutional | <span style="color: lightgreen;">■</span> Open Space/Recreation |
| <span style="color: purple;">■</span> Industrial                  | <span style="color: pink;">■</span> Residential                 |
|   | <span style="color: blue;">■</span> Water                       |

**Figure B-4**  
Land Use in the MSAR Watershed



The USEP flow measurements indicated that some tributaries have significantly greater DWF rates per acre of urbanized drainage area than would be expected solely from urban sources. In these cases, the presence of a non-urban source was determined to be responsible for the elevated DWF rates. At a few locations, field measured runoff equated to less than 100 gal/acre/day; therefore it was assumed that non-urban sources in these subwatersheds are negligible

### Mill-Cucamonga Creek

DWF in Mill-Cucamonga Creek consists of primarily effluent from the IEUA RP1 WRRF. Effluent from IEUA RP1 WRRF to Cucamonga Creek contributes ~27 cfs, ranging from 16 to 42 cfs (Table B-3). A berm in the center of Cucamonga Creek keeps effluent separated from DWFs from MS4 outfalls, from the discharge location for about 1 mile to Chino Avenue.

MS4 drainage areas to Mill-Cucamonga Creek are predominantly within San Bernardino County, outside of the geographic planning area of this CBRP for Riverside County. A small portion of MS4 drainage area in currently unincorporated area of Eastvale may generate urban DWF that has the potential to reach Mill-Cucamonga Creek.

**Table B-3. Average Daily POTW Tertiary Treated Effluent in the MSAR Watershed**

Treatment Facility	Receiving Waterbody	Dry Season (cfs)
Riverside Water Quality Control Plant	Santa Ana River Reach 3	49
Colton/San Bernardino RIX	Santa Ana River Reach 4	59
Rialto WWTP	Santa Ana River Reach 4	10
IEUA RP1 WRRF Outfall 1	Cucamonga Creek	27
IEUA RP1 WRRF Outfall 2	Prado Park Lake	8
IEUA Carbon Canyon WRRF (CCWRF)	Chino Creek	9
Yucaipa Valley Water District	Santa Ana River Reach 4	6
Lee Lake WWTP	Temescal Creek	0.9
Corona WWTP No.1 and No.3	Temescal Creek	3.4
Western Municipal Water District (WMWD) West Riverside WWTP	Santa Ana River Reach 3	7
	<b>Totals</b>	<b>180</b>

### Santa Ana River at MWD Crossing

Continuous DWF occurs in the Santa Ana River at the MWD Crossing. The primary source of this DWF is a combination of treated effluent from the Rialto WWTP and San Bernardino/Colton RIX facility. Combined, these sources of effluent discharge approximately 70 cfs to Reach 4 of the Santa Ana River, upstream of Riverside Avenue (B-3). There is typically no DWF in the Santa Ana River upstream of these

plants. Additional sources of DWF, listed below, occur between these effluent discharges and the MWD Crossing compliance location.

In addition to the POTWs, DWF has been observed in outfalls from MS4 facilities along both sides of the Santa Ana River (USEP 2007-2008):

- The Highgrove Channel and Agua Mansa Channel outfall to the Santa Ana River upstream of University Wash. In a 2002 field survey, the Highgrove Channel was dry and the Agua Mansa Channel contained a small amount of DWF that could not be measured (Clark and Clem 2002). Assessments of DWF in the upcoming years would be needed to ensure these conditions still exist and are typical of dry weather conditions in the MSAR.
- The University Wash Storm Drain captures runoff from MS4 drainage areas in downtown Riverside. DWFs are retained either in Lake Evans in Fairmont Park or in the large open space downstream of the lake. These areas prevent DWFs from reaching the outfall to the Santa Ana River, as shown in Figure B-5 (personal communication with Steve Clark, May 10, 2010).
- Box Springs Channel drains an urbanized subwatershed in the City of Riverside. DWF measured in this channel is approximately 3 cfs (average of USEP field measurements in 2007-2008) and may consist of either or both, nuisance flow from urban drainages in the City of Riverside and de minimus water from Riverside Public Utilities (RPU).
- Sunnyslope Channel drains a low-density residential subwatershed in an unincorporated area of Riverside County. The headwaters of this channel are natural canyons within the Jurupa Hills. Measurements of 2-5 cfs from the ~5,000 acre subwatershed suggest that DWF is influenced by rising groundwater. This conclusion is supported by the observation of flow from weep holes along the concrete channel wall. This DWF rate is comparable to a measurement of 3.1 cfs in a field survey by RCFC&WCD in 2002 (Clark and Clem 2002).

### **Santa Ana River at Pedley Avenue**

The TMDL compliance monitoring site at Pedley Avenue (WW-S4) is approximately 5 miles downstream of the MWD Crossing TMDL compliance monitoring site. Between these TMDL compliance monitoring sites, the Riverside Water Quality Control Plant (RWQCP) discharges ~50 cfs of treated effluent to the Santa Ana River (Table B-3). MS4 outfalls in this reach may be sources of DWF to the Santa Ana River. The most notable drainages with consistent DWF include:

- Anza Drain contributes nuisance runoff from urban drainages in the south side of the City of Riverside. Flow measurements conducted in the 2007 dry season for the USEP showed median DWFs of 6 cfs; however, measurements taken in the 2011 dry season, following a wet hydrologic year, showed a median DWF of 2.6 cfs. The field data collected in 2011 involved a better cross section for flow gauging and more

readings for more precise measurement. The 2011 DWF measurements are more comparable to measurements taken during a single day field survey in 2002 by RCFC&WCD, which suggest that DWF flow is less than 1.5 cfs (Clark and Clem 2002). DWF in Anza Drain is influenced by rising groundwater that is caused by current operation of the Arlington desalter. RCFC&WCD is currently working with WMWD to develop an approach that would improve groundwater yield and eliminate losses to surface water.

- San Sevaine Channel DWF at the confluence with the Santa Ana River was highly variable during USEP sampling. In addition to nuisance flows (~1 cfs), there was a de minimus discharge of treated groundwater of approximately 7cfs from a pilot test by the Jurupa Community Services District during the 2007 dry season. In addition to urban DWF, there are intermittent turnouts from MWD's transmission system to San Sevaine Channel at CB-13 and CB-18 for recharge in the San Sevaine and Jurupa Basins, respectively. These flows remain within San Bernardino County and do not reach the Santa Ana River.
- Urban DWF from the Magnolia Center storm drain does not typically reach the Santa Ana River (Clark and Clem 2002; personal communication with Steve Clark, May 10, 2010).
- Urban DWF from San Bernardino County jurisdictions in the Day Creek watershed are retained within the Riverside Basin. Therefore, all urban DWF reaching the Santa Ana River from the Day Creek subwatershed comes from Riverside County jurisdictions. USEP monitoring program flow measurements in Day Creek at Lucretia Avenue, just upstream of the River Trails Park golf course ranged widely from 0.05 cfs to 7 cfs. A field survey in 2002 by RCFC&WCD estimated DWF at this location to be ~0.2 cfs (Clark and Clem 2002). Additional flow monitoring is warranted at this site to adequately characterize this variability. In addition to urban DWF, there are intermittent turnouts from MWD's transmission system to Day Creek at CB-15 for recharge in the Riverside Basin. These flows remain within San Bernardino County and do not reach the Santa Ana River.

### **B.3 MS4 Facilities**

This section describes the MS4 facilities within the major subwatershed areas draining to each of the watershed-wide compliance locations. Based on available MS4 facility data, Figure B-6 illustrates the MS4 facilities including major outfalls to waterbodies for permittees in Riverside County. This figure illustrates the significant number of major outfalls that drain to each of the watershed-wide compliance monitoring locations.

Figure B-7 provides an Index Map for subsequent detailed figures that depict key characteristics associated with the MS4 facilities located within each of the major MSAR subwatersheds. These figures include:

- Temescal Creek subwatershed (Figure B-8)
- Mill-Cucamonga Creek at Chino Corona Road (Figure B-9)
- Santa Ana River at MWD Crossing (Figure B-10)
- Santa Ana River at Pedley Avenue (Figure B-11)

The following sections provide more detailed descriptions of the primary MS4 characteristics and subwatershed features in each drainage area. The information on the physical characteristics of key waterbodies is provided as background to support the discussion regarding UAA opportunities in Attachment C.5

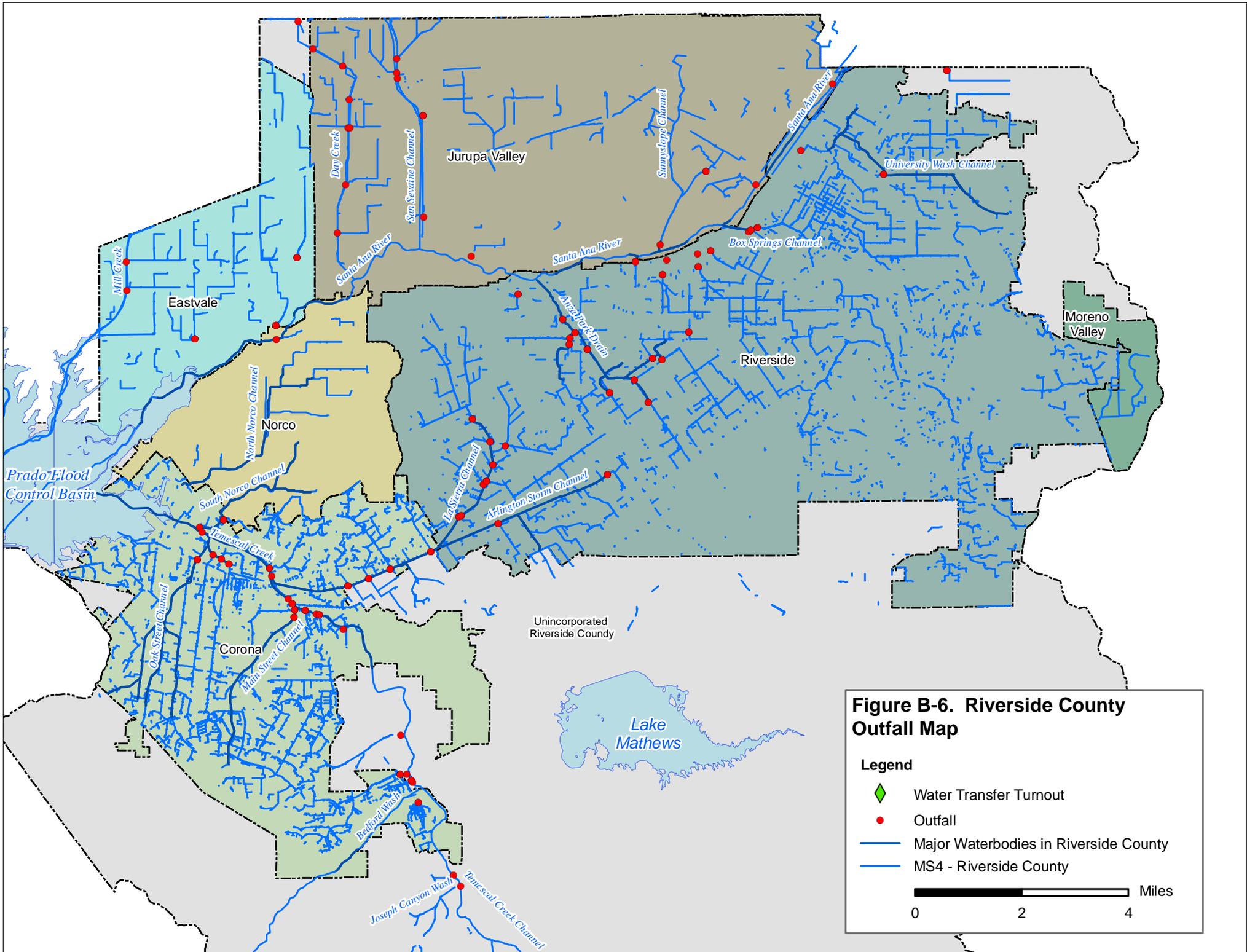
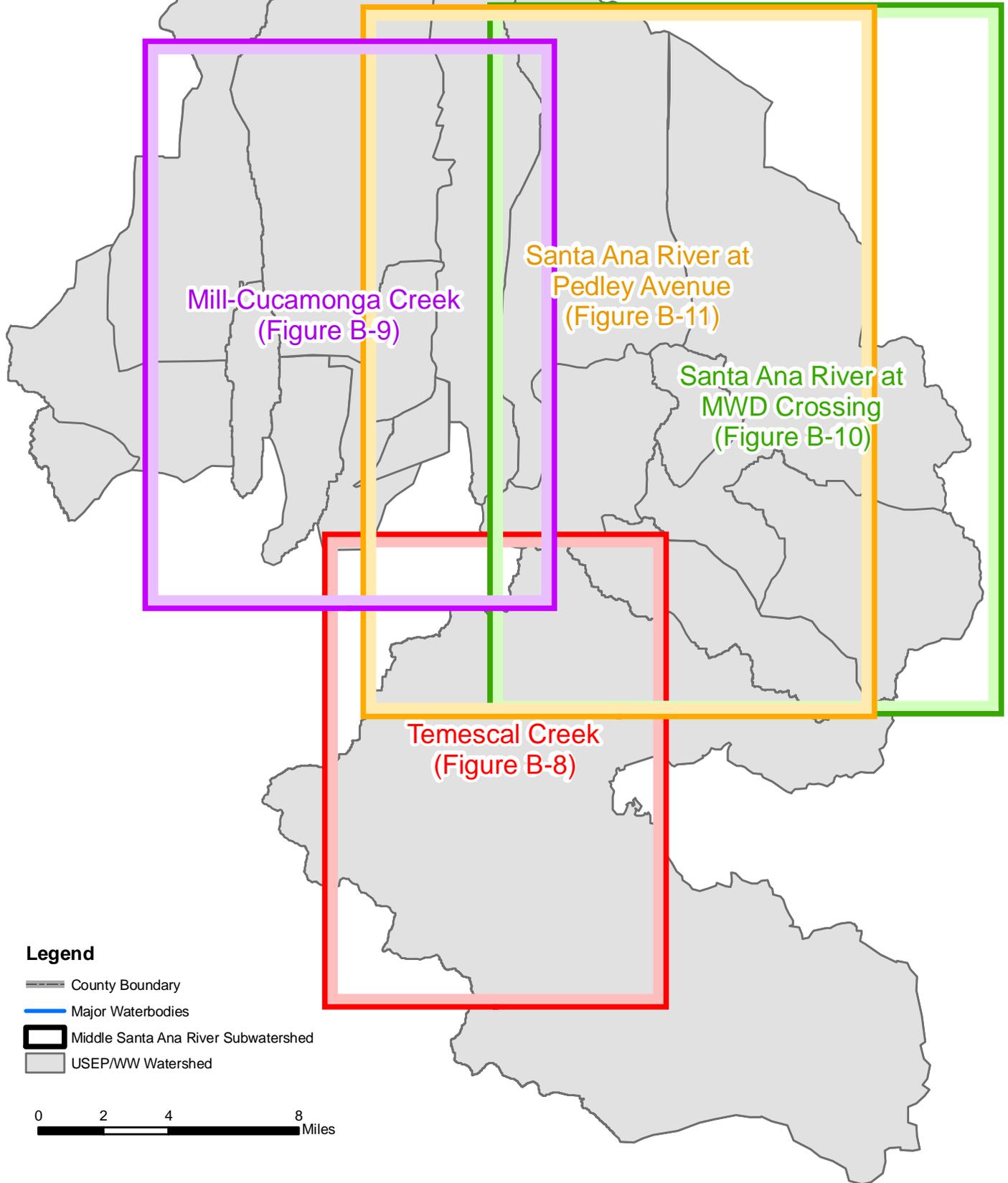


Figure B-7 Index Map



Mill-Cucamonga Creek  
(Figure B-9)

Santa Ana River at  
Pedley Avenue  
(Figure B-11)

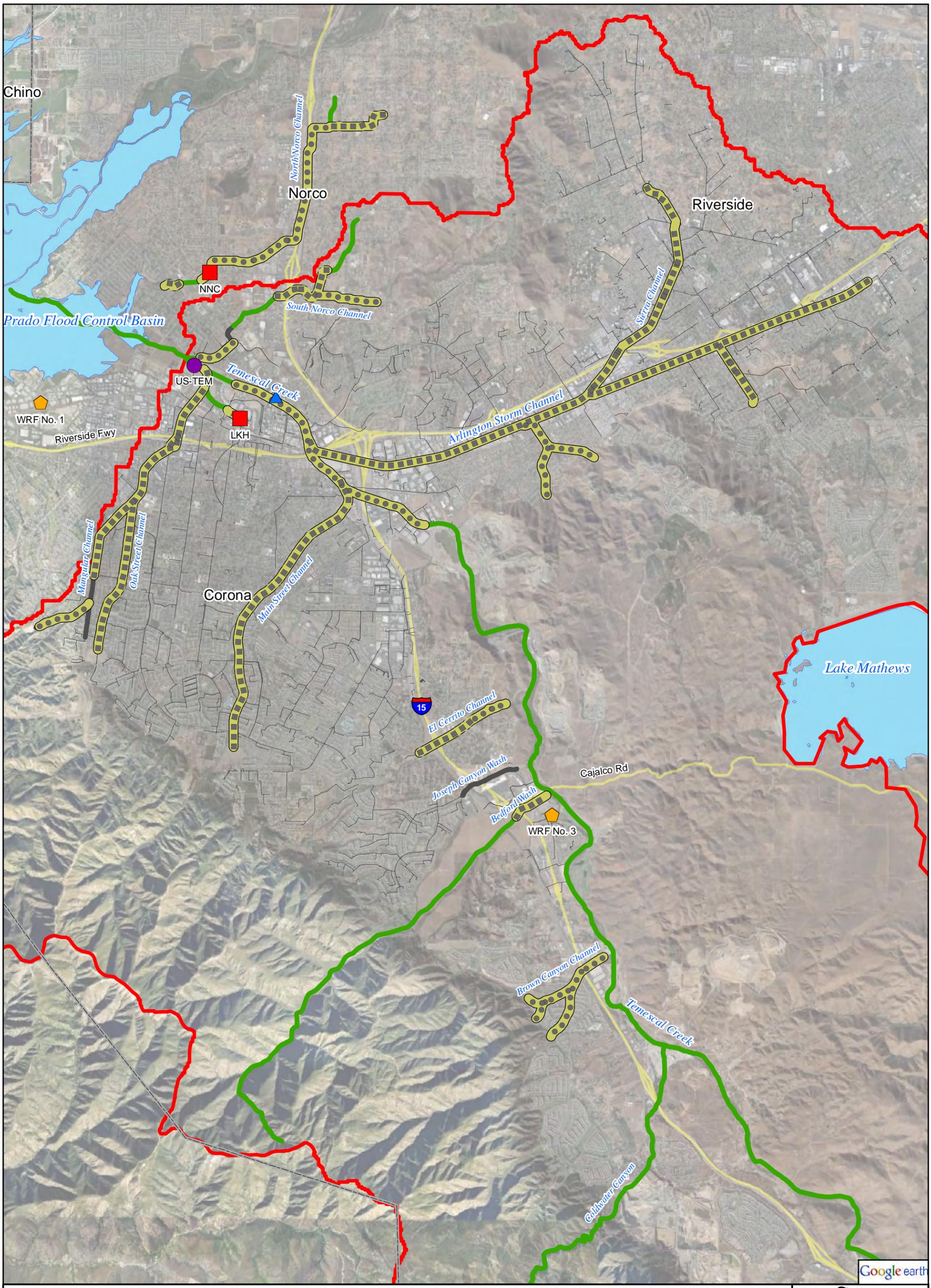
Santa Ana River at  
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Temescal Creek  
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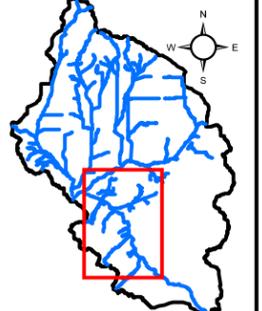
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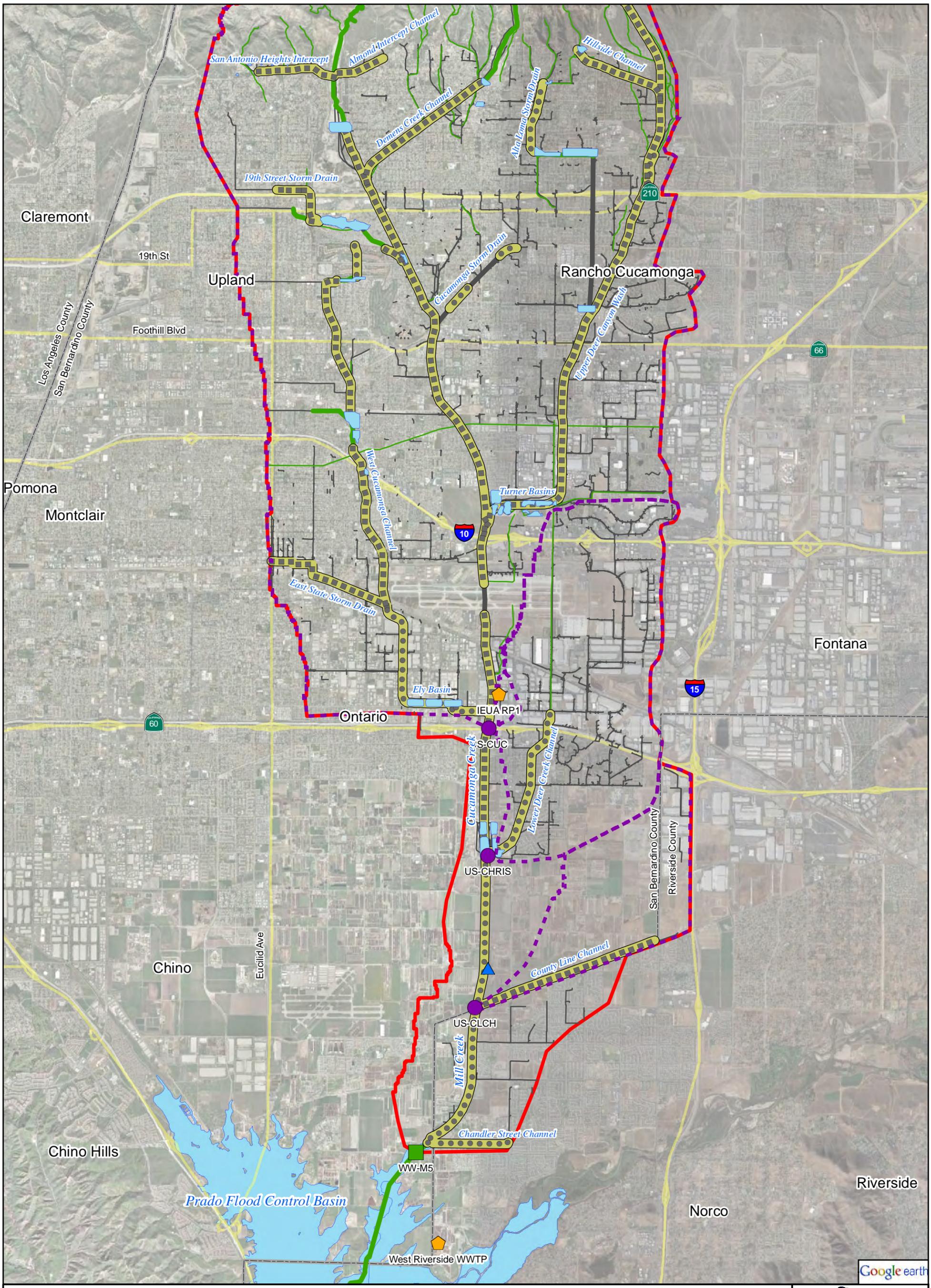


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| MS4 Water Quality Monitoring Location | Concrete Trapezoidal Channel      | County Boundary  |
| USGS Flow Gauge                       | Culvert                           | Subwatershed     |
| USEP Monitoring Location              | Major Unlined Watercourse         | Waterbody        |
|                                       | Minor Natural/Unlined Watercourse |                  |

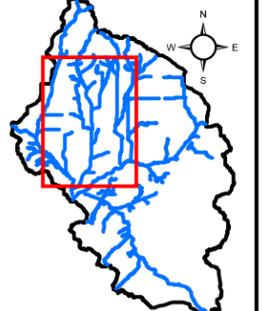


**Figure B-8. Temescal Creek**

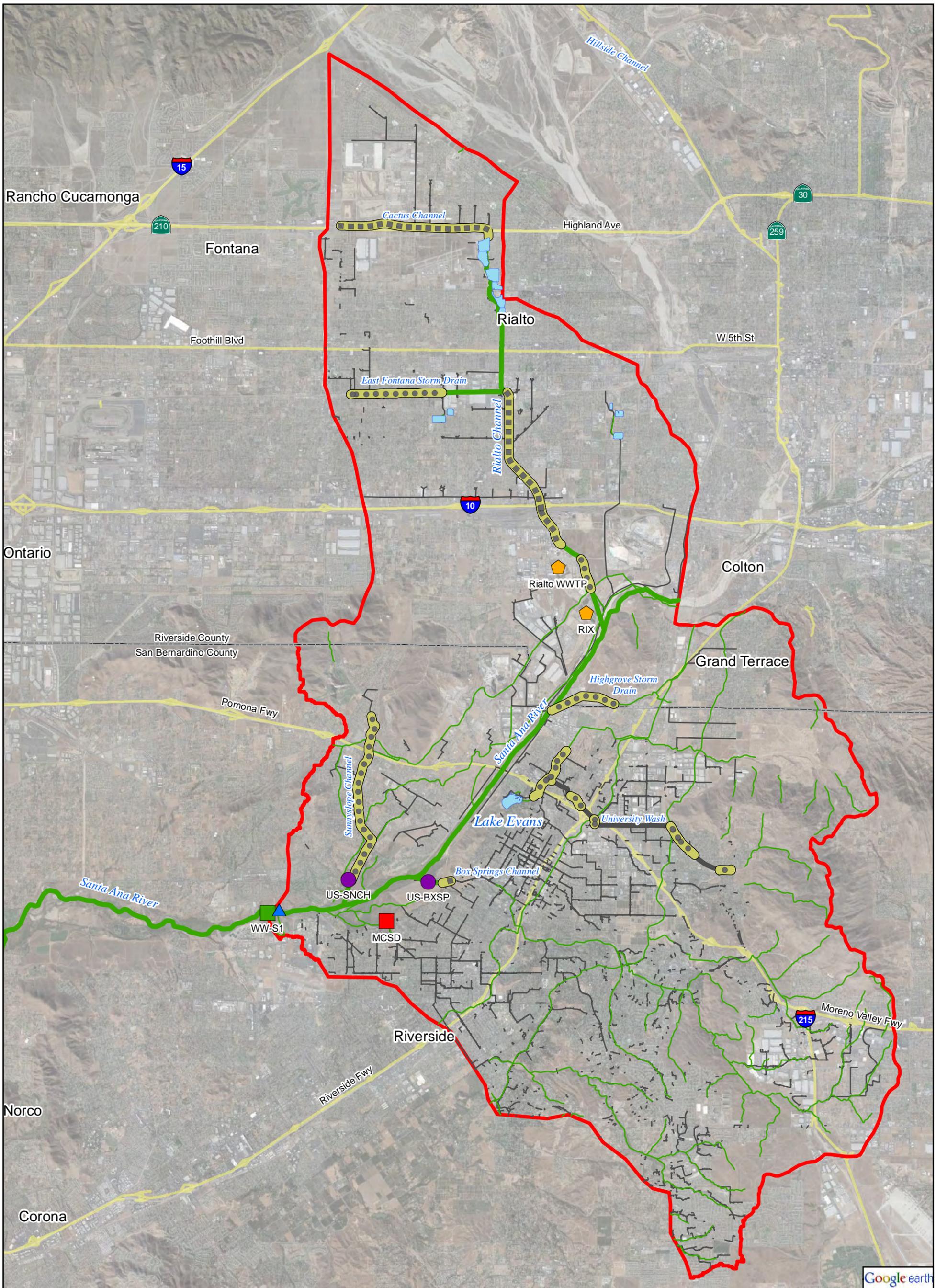


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| POTW Effluent Discharge Location | Watershed-Wide Monitoring Location | Concrete Rectangular Channel      | County Boundary |
| USGS Flow Gauge                  | USEP Monitoring Location           | Concrete Trapezoidal Channel      | USEP Watershed  |
|                                  |                                    | Culvert                           | Subwatershed    |
|                                  |                                    | Major Unlined Watercourse         | Waterbody       |
|                                  |                                    | Minor Natural/Unlined Watercourse |                 |
|                                  |                                    | Storm Drain Line                  |                 |



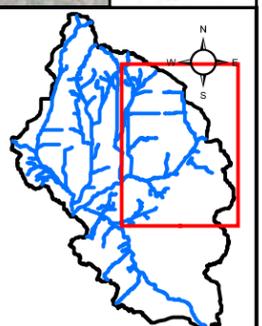
**Figure B-9. Mill-Cucamonga Creek**



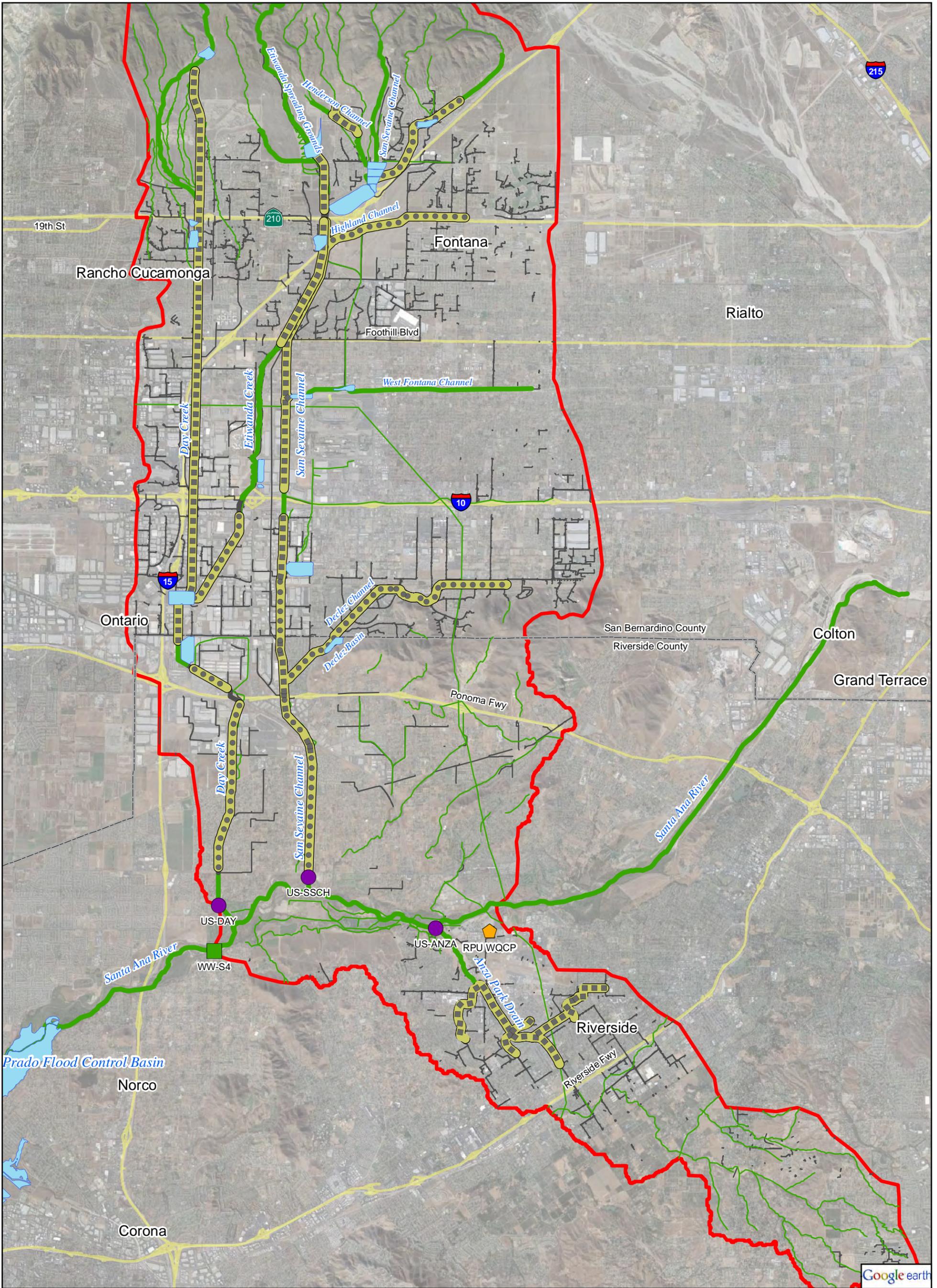
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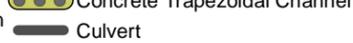
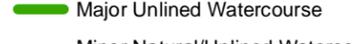
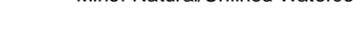
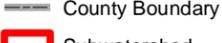
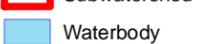
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| POTW Effluent Discharge Location     | Watershed-Wide Monitoring Location | Concrete Rectangular Channel      | County Boundary |
| MS4 Water Quality Monitoring Station | USEPA Monitoring Location          | Concrete Trapezoidal Channel      | Subwatershed    |
| USGS Flow Gauge                      |                                    | Culvert                           | Waterbody       |
|                                      |                                    | Major Unlined Watercourse         |                 |
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|                                      |                                    | Storm Drain Line                  |                 |

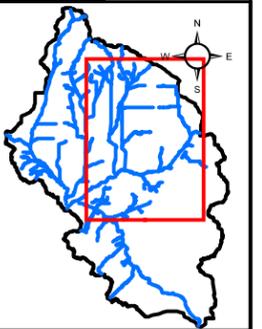


**Figure B-10. Santa Ana River at MWD Crossing**



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-  POTW Effluent Discharge Location
-  Watershed-Wide Monitoring Location
-  USEP Monitoring Location
-  Concrete Rectangular Channel
-  Concrete Trapezoidal Channel
-  Culvert
-  Major Unlined Watercourse
-  Minor Natural/Unlined Watercourse
-  Storm Drain Line
-  County Boundary
-  Subwatershed
-  Waterbody



**Figure B-11. Santa Ana River at Pedley Ave**

## Temescal Creek Subwatershed

Temescal Creek extends from the Lake Elsinore outlet channel to Prado Basin. The subwatershed drains approximately 207 sq. mi. Although Lake Elsinore does drain to Temescal Creek, discharges would only be expected to occur during extreme hydrologic cycles. Downstream of Lake Elsinore, Temescal Creek can be subdivided into three segments based on channel characteristics. Table B-4 describes the key waterbodies in the Temescal Creek subwatershed and describes the channel characteristics (Figure B-8).

Under normal hydrologic conditions Temescal Creek contains intermittent flows from water transfers and POTW tertiary treated effluent during the dry season. Typically, only reaches 1 and 2 of Temescal Creek are hydrologically connected to Prado Basin, with flow initiating from the small reservoir just south of Magnolia Avenue.

**Table B-4. Channel characteristics of Temescal Creek and key tributaries**

Reach	Segments	Description
Temescal Creek	Lake Elsinore Spillway to point upstream of Magnolia Ave.	~19 mi reach with natural characteristics; 14 outfalls identified as potential DWF sources
	Magnolia Ave. to downstream of Cota Street	~3 mi reach with trapezoidal and vertical concrete-lined banks
	Downstream of Cota Street	2.9 mi reach with natural characteristics
Arlington Channel	Headwaters to culvert section	Trapezoidal concrete-lined reach (~0.75 mi) transitions to culvert (~0.25 mi) reach
	Rectangular-lined segment west of La Sierra Ave to Temescal Creek confluence	~4.7 mi rectangular lined reach
La Sierra Channel	Headwaters to Arlington Channel confluence	Begins as culvert transitions to rectangular concrete-lined for 0.5 mi then to trapezoidal section; reverts to culvert then rectangular concrete-lined 1.5 mi
Main Street Channel	Headwaters to Temescal Creek confluence	~3.5 mi concrete-lined rectangular channel
Oak Street Channel	Headwaters to Temescal Creek confluence	~ 4 mi concrete-lined rectangular channel
Norco Channel	Headwaters to Temescal creek confluence	~ 3 mi rectangular concrete-lined and natural channel

## Mill-Cucamonga Creek at Chino-Corona Road Subwatershed

The area encompassed by the Mill-Cucamonga Creek watershed-wide compliance site is 70 mi<sup>2</sup>. Only a small portion of the lower part of the subwatershed receives runoff from Riverside County – the lower portion of Cucamonga Creek. In addition to the mainstem Cucamonga Creek, key tributaries include (Table B-5, Figure B-9):

- *Demens Creek in San Bernardino County* - This channel drains a 5.7 mi<sup>2</sup> subwatershed. It may be divided into two segments – one above and the other below the detention basins that capture flows from undeveloped canyon areas in the headwaters.
- *Upper Deer Creek in San Bernardino County* - This channel drains an 18 mi<sup>2</sup> subwatershed. It may be divided into two segments – one above and the other below the detention basins that capture flows from undeveloped canyon areas in the headwaters.
- *Lower Deer Creek in San Bernardino County* -- This waterbody drains a small subwatershed (~10 mi<sup>2</sup>) entirely within the City of Ontario MS4 system. The SBCFCD owns and operates Chris Basin at the downstream end of Lower Deer Creek just upstream of the confluence of Lower Deer Creek with Cucamonga Creek. As a result of poor infiltration rates in the Chris Basin (due to soil characteristics), DWFs drain through the basin to Cucamonga Creek.
- *County Line Channel in Riverside and San Bernardino Counties* – This waterbody consists of a concrete-lined channel in the lower part of the subwatershed drains a small subwatershed (~6 mi<sup>2</sup>). This channel drains subwatershed with mixed land use both north and south of the county line.
- *West Cucamonga Channel in San Bernardino County* – This channel is ~8.2 miles of a combination of concrete-lined rectangular and trapezoidal reaches; upper reach of this segment drains to 8<sup>th</sup> Street Basins.
- In addition to the tributaries described above, the Cucamonga Storm Drain in San Bernardino County also discharges to Cucamonga Creek. Other potentially important storm drain facilities that discharge to tributaries to Cucamonga Creek include the Alta Loma Storm Drain and the East State Storm Drain.

**Table B-5. Characteristics of channels draining to the Mill-Cucamonga Creek watershed-wide compliance monitoring location**

Reach	Segments	Description
Cucamonga Creek	Headwaters to Cucamonga Canyon Dam (not included on Figure B-9)	Discharge from undeveloped canyon headwater area captured by Cucamonga Canyon Dam
	Below Cucamonga Canyon Dam to Hellman Avenue	14 mi concrete-lined reach; includes discharge from RP1 WRRF
	Hellman Ave. to Chino-Corona Rd	0.25 mi concrete-lined trapezoidal reach
	Chino-Corona Rd to Prado Basin	3.4 mi earthen bottom trapezoidal reach
Demens Creek	Headwaters to Detention Basin	Discharge from undeveloped canyon headwater area captured by detention basin
	Below Detention Basin to Cucamonga Cr. confluence	2.2 mi concrete-lined reach
Upper Deer Creek	Headwaters to Detention Basin	Discharge from undeveloped canyon headwater area captured by detention basin
	Below Detention Basin to Cucamonga Cr. confluence	3.6 mi concrete-lined reach
Lower Deer Creek (Chris Basin)	Headwaters to Chris Basin at Cucamonga Cr. confluence	2.1 mi concrete-lined reach
County Line Channel	Headwaters to Cucamonga Cr. confluence	2.6 mi concrete-lined reach
West Cucamonga Creek	Headwaters to Cucamonga Cr. confluence	8.2 mi combination of culvert and concrete-lined rectangular and trapezoidal reaches; upper reach of segment drains to 8 <sup>th</sup> Street Basins
Cucamonga Storm Drain	Headwaters to Cucamonga Creek confluence	1.6 mi reach of concrete lined rectangular and culvert

### **Santa Ana River at MWD Crossing Subwatershed**

The area upstream of this monitoring location encompasses the upper portion of the MSAR watershed (Figure B-10). In addition to drainage within the MSAR watershed, this portion of the MSAR receives flows from Santa Ana River Reach 4, but typically only during wet weather. Within the MSAR watershed, water flowing to this location drains 101 mi<sup>2</sup>, much of it in Riverside County. Within San Bernardino County, the only key tributary or source of water to Santa Ana River Reach 3 upstream of the MWD Crossing is the Rialto Channel (Figure B-10). In Riverside County, key

tributaries or sources of flow to Santa Ana River Reach 3 upstream of MWD Crossing include (Table B-6, Figure B-10):

- *High Grove Storm Drain in Riverside and San Bernardino Counties* – This drain has a trapezoidal concrete-lined segment at the headwaters that transitions to a natural segment. Approximately, 1.25 miles upstream of its confluence with the Santa Ana River, the channel is a trapezoidal lined segment.
- *University Wash in Riverside County* – This channel is a combination of culvert and trapezoidal concrete-lined segments (4.2 mi).
- *Box Springs in Riverside County* – Draining ~ 31 mi<sup>2</sup> area, this channel may be divided into two segments – an upstream engineered segment and a short natural segment at its confluence with the MSAR.
- *Sunnyslope Channel in Riverside County* - This channel drains an approximately 6 mi<sup>2</sup> area in unincorporated areas of Riverside County. It may be divided into two segments – an upstream engineered segment and a short natural segment at its confluence with the MSAR.
- *MS4 Outfalls Along Santa Ana River* – Several MS4 outfalls are located along the Santa Ana River in this area.

**Table B-6. Characteristics of channels in Riverside County draining to the Santa Ana River MWD Crossing watershed-wide TMDL compliance monitoring site**

Reach	Segments	Description
High Grove Storm Drain	Headwaters to Santa Ana River confluence	2.8 mi concrete-lined trapezoidal reach except for 1 mi natural segment
University Wash	Headwaters to east of Santa Ana River; open channels are 1 mi east of Santa Ana River	Combination of 4.2 mi concrete-lined trapezoidal reach and 2 mi of culvert reaches
Box Springs	Headwaters to confluence with Santa Ana River	0.2 mi vertical, concrete-lined channel for entire length except last 0.5 mi prior to confluence with MSAR
Sunnyslope Channel	Headwaters to point where segment transitions from concrete-lined to natural channel (Rancho Jurupa Park)	3.0 mi reach with trapezoidal concrete-lined banks
	Upstream end of natural section (Rancho Jurupa Park) to Santa Ana River confluence	0.4 mi reach with natural banks and bottom; in 2007, section not hydrologically connected to MSAR during dry weather

## Santa Ana River at Pedley Avenue Subwatershed

This subwatershed (126 mi<sup>2</sup>, not including the portion of the Santa Ana River Reach 3 watershed upstream of the MSAR Reach 3 MWD Crossing watershed-wide TMDL compliance monitoring site) generally encompasses the portion of the MSAR watershed upstream of Prado Basin Dam and below the MSAR Reach 3 MWD Crossing TMDL compliance monitoring site. This drainage area receives flow from the portion of the MSAR above the MWD Crossing TMDL compliance monitoring site. In addition, flow is received from three key tributaries. The upper reaches of two of these tributaries are located in San Bernardino County (Table B-7, Figure B-11):

- *Anza Drain in Riverside County* - This subwatershed encompasses a ~ 21 mi<sup>2</sup> area. The Anza Drain may be divided into two segments – an upstream engineered segment and a short natural segment just above its confluence with the MSAR. The natural segment at the confluence receives effluent from the RWQCP prior to discharging to the MSAR. Surveys conducted by the RWQCP facility (reported by the Stormwater Quality Standards Task Force) have noted that recreational activity is relatively common in the area (as compared to other areas in the MSAR watershed).
- *San Sevaine Channel* - This channel drains approximately 51 mi<sup>2</sup> and may be divided into two segments – a headwaters area that discharges to the San Sevaine Basins upstream of the MS4 (in San Bernardino County) and a lengthy engineered segment, the lower part of which is in Riverside County. Two important tributaries to San Sevaine Channel include the Highland Channel and Declez Channel. The Highland Channel enters San Sevaine in the upper part of its watershed in San Bernardino County. Declez Channel enters San Sevaine Channel in the lower part of the watershed in Riverside County, but the upper part of this channel is in San Bernardino County. Declez Channel is ~4.7 miles in length with a rectangular lined segment from the headwaters that transitions to a trapezoidal segment (except for a short culvert section) upstream of its confluence with San Sevaine Channel.
- *Day Creek/Etiwanda Channel* - The Day Creek drainage area encompasses an approximately 51 mi<sup>2</sup> area. It has one major tributary - Etiwanda Channel. The mainstem of Day Creek may be divided into four segments with varying characteristics and the Etiwanda tributary may be divided into two segments, a portion that is upstream of the MS4 (and in San Bernardino County) and an engineered downstream segment.

**Table B-7. Characteristics of channels draining to the Pedley Avenue MSAR watershed-wide TMDL compliance monitoring site (Note: the upper portions of San Sevaine Channel and Day Creek are located in San Bernardino County)**

Reach	Segments	Description
Anza Drain	Headwaters to Arlington Avenue	Vertical-walled, concrete-lined channel
	Arlington Avenue to confluence with MSAR	Channel with natural characteristics
San Sevaine Channel & Tributaries	Headwaters to San Sevaine Basins	Discharge from headwater area captured by San Sevaine Basins
	San Sevaine Basins to confluence with MSAR	11 mi concrete-lined reach from San Sevaine Basins to confluence with MSAR
	Highland Channel - Headwaters to confluence with San Sevaine Channel	2.5 mi concrete-lined trapezoidal reach
	Declez Channel - Headwaters to confluence with San Sevaine Channel	~2.5 mi concrete-lined rectangular segment and 2.2 mi concrete lined trapezoidal reach; lower portion including confluence with San Sevaine Channel is in Riverside County.
Day Creek & Tributaries	Headwaters to Day Creek Basins	Discharge from undeveloped areas captured by Day Creek Basins
	Day Creek Basins to south of 63 <sup>rd</sup> St	11 mi concrete-lined reach - lower end of this reach is in Riverside County
	Limonite Avenue to Lucretia Avenue	0.6 mi earthen bottom trapezoidal channel – within Riverside County
	Lucretia Avenue to confluence with MSAR	Natural characteristics – within Riverside County
	Etiwanda Channel - Headwaters to concrete-lined segment	Discharge from undeveloped areas captured in detention basins
	Etiwanda Channel - Beginning of concrete-lined segment to confluence with Day Creek	8.5 mi concrete-lined for entire length except for short segment between Foothill Boulevard and the Etiwanda Conservation Basins on either side of I-10 Fwy

## B.4 Baseline Water Quality

Water quality monitoring in the MSAR watershed to support TMDL implementation has been ongoing since 2007 at all five watershed-wide compliance monitoring locations. To date, this effort has included (see also Attachment A):

- Collection of 20 bacterial indicator samples during each dry season (April 1 – October 31), under dry weather conditions in 2007, 2008, 2009 and 2010.
- Collection of 11 bacterial indicator samples during each wet season (November 1 – March 31), under dry weather conditions in 2007-08, 2008-09, 2009-10, and 2010-11.
- Collection of 4 bacterial indicator samples during and after a wet weather event in each of the wet seasons of 2007-08, 2008-09, 2009-10, and 2010-11.
- Collection of approximately 20 bacterial indicator samples during dry weather conditions in both dry and wet seasons from 13 USEP monitoring program locations in 2007-2008.

In addition to TMDL-related monitoring, sampling has been conducted by the RCFC&WCD to fulfill Riverside County MS4 permit monitoring requirements. The following sections summarize baseline water quality for bacterial indicators in the MSAR watershed. Detailed information is available in data reports prepared to support TMDL implementation: SAWPA (2009a) summarizes the findings from the 2007 dry season and 2007-08 wet season monitoring; SAWPA (2009b) and SAWPA (2009c) summarize the findings from the 2008 dry and 2008-2009 wet seasons, respectively; SAWPA (2009d) and SAWPA (2010c) summarize the results from the 2009 dry and 2009-2010 wet seasons; and SAWPA (2010f) summarizes the results from the 2010 dry season; and SAWPA (2011) summarizes results from the 2010-2011 wet season, respectively.

### Watershed-wide Compliance Monitoring

Table B-8 and Figure B-12 present the geometric mean, median, and coefficient of variation of the *E. coli* concentrations from samples collected during dry weather in the dry and wet weather seasons at each of the compliance monitoring locations<sup>3,4</sup>. Although Prado Park Lake is not located within Riverside County, information on this waterbody is provided for informational purposes.

Generally, *E. coli* concentrations within the Santa Ana River are lower than in Chino Creek and Mill-Cucamonga Creek. *E. coli* concentrations in Prado Park Lake are also

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<sup>3</sup> Similar data are available for fecal coliform, but are not presented in this document (they may be viewed in the SAWPA references provided above). It is expected that the Regional Board will adopt a Basin Plan amendment in 2011 replacing fecal coliform water quality objectives with *E. coli* objectives. Accordingly, all bacterial indicator summaries and analyses in this CBRP are based on *E. coli*.

<sup>4</sup> The wet season data collected under dry conditions is provided in this CBRP for informational purposes only. This CBRP only applies to dry weather conditions from April 1 – October 31.

comparatively low. These summary statistics are presented to provide an overall view of water quality; actual measures of attainment of proposed *E. coli* water quality objectives are based on geometric mean calculations from samples collected over a period of no more than 30 days. Exceedances of *E. coli* water quality objectives expected to be adopted in the ongoing Basin Plan amendment process (see Section 1.2.2) occur regularly at all sites. In addition, exceedances of the TMDL urban wasteload allocations regularly occur.

Figures B-13 through B-17 illustrate the pattern in single sample and geometric mean results for *E. coli* over the 2007-2010 period for all five compliance monitoring sites. In general, the observed overall dry weather season geometric mean *E. coli* concentrations at each watershed-wide TMDL compliance monitoring site declined over the period from 2007-2009, but then increased in 2010 (dry season). Bacterial indicator concentrations remain well above the urban wasteload allocations at the Mill-Cucamonga Creek and Chino Creek compliance monitoring sites.

**Table B-8. Summary statistics for *E. coli* levels (cfu/100 mL) and data variability by sample location during dry weather conditions in the dry and wet seasons (2007-2010)**

Site	Dry Season				Wet Season			
	N	Geometric Mean	Median	Coefficient of Variation <sup>1</sup>	N	Geometric Mean	Median	Coefficient of Variation <sup>1</sup>
Prado Park Lake (WW-C3)	57	80	80	0.25	48	178	145	0.20
Chino Creek at Central Ave (WW-C7)	55	394	370	0.13	46	256	215	0.19
Mill-Cucamonga Creek at Chino-Corona Rd (WW-M5)	56	877	770	0.11	44	284	260	0.21
Santa Ana River at MWD Crossing (WW-S1)	58	149	140	0.12	41	132	130	0.21
Santa Ana River at Pedley Ave (WW-S4)	55	149	140	0.14	43	116	120	0.20

<sup>1</sup> - Coefficient of variation was calculated using natural log-transformed data

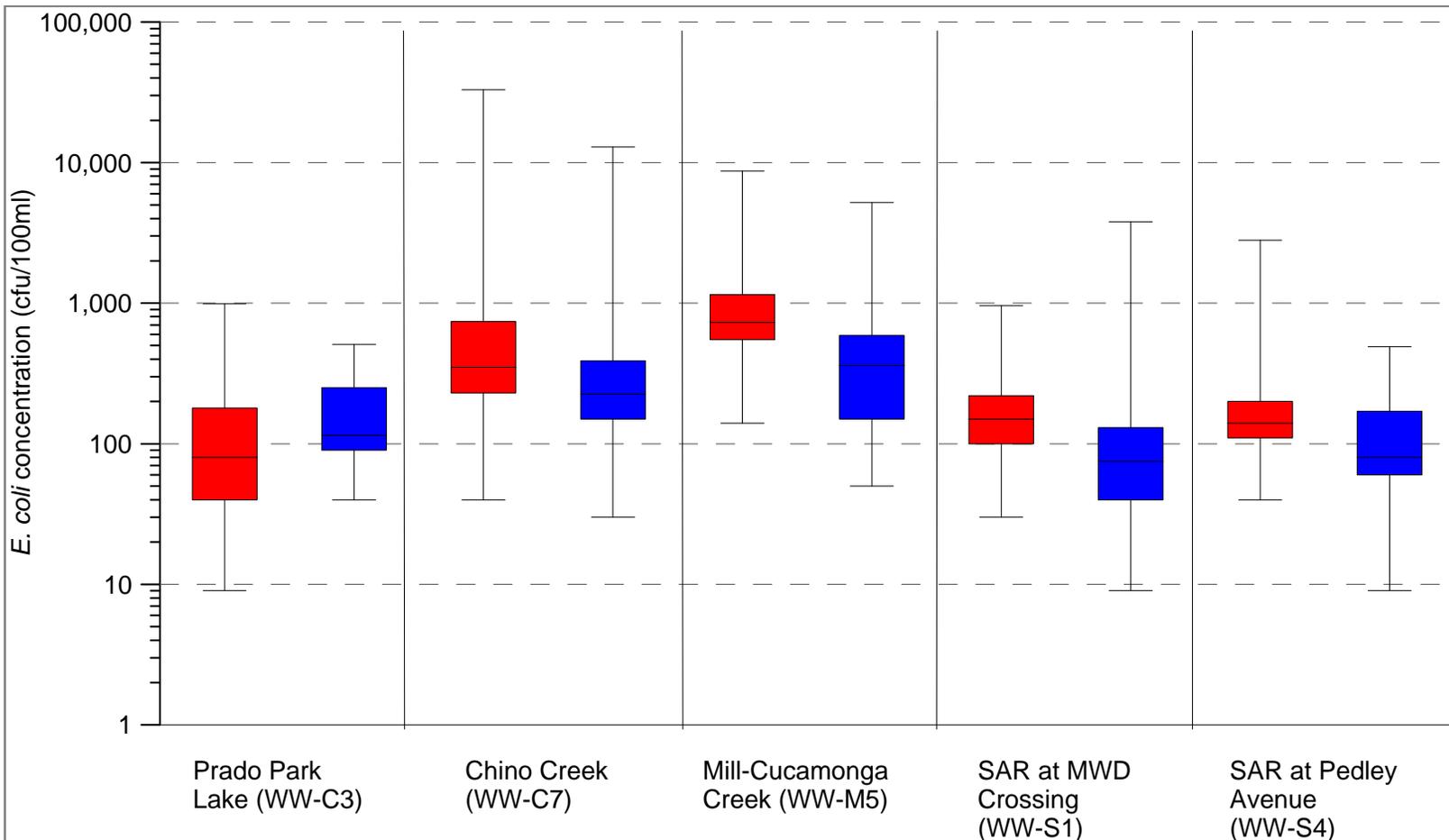


Figure B-12. Box-Whisker Plots of *E. coli* levels in samples collected under dry weather conditions during the dry season (red) and wet season (blue) at MSAR watershed-wide TMDL compliance monitoring sites

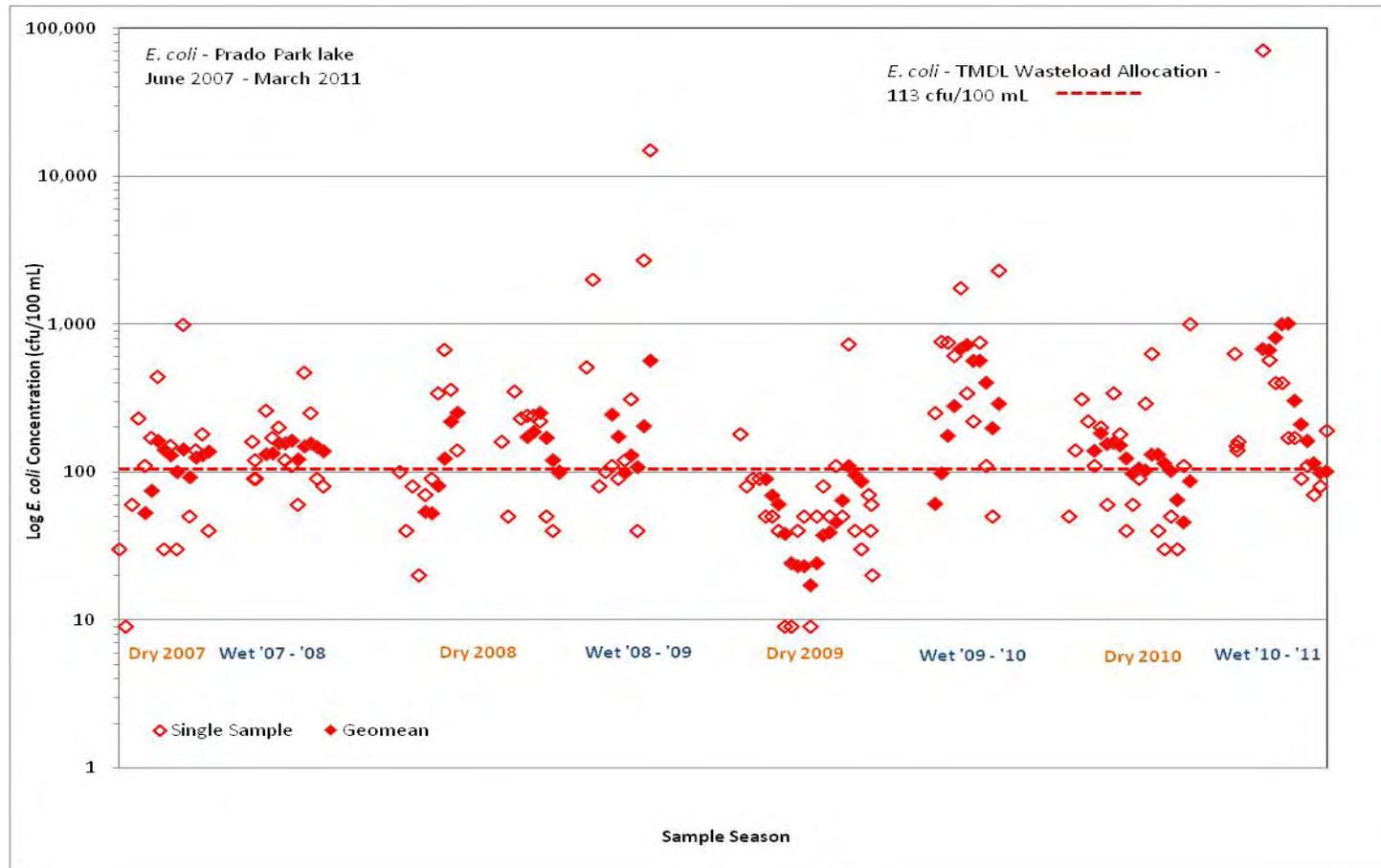


Figure B-13. Time series plot of *E. coli* single sample results and geometric means for samples collected from Prado Park Lake (WW-C3, 2007-2011). Geometric mean was calculated only if five samples were collected during the previous five weeks.

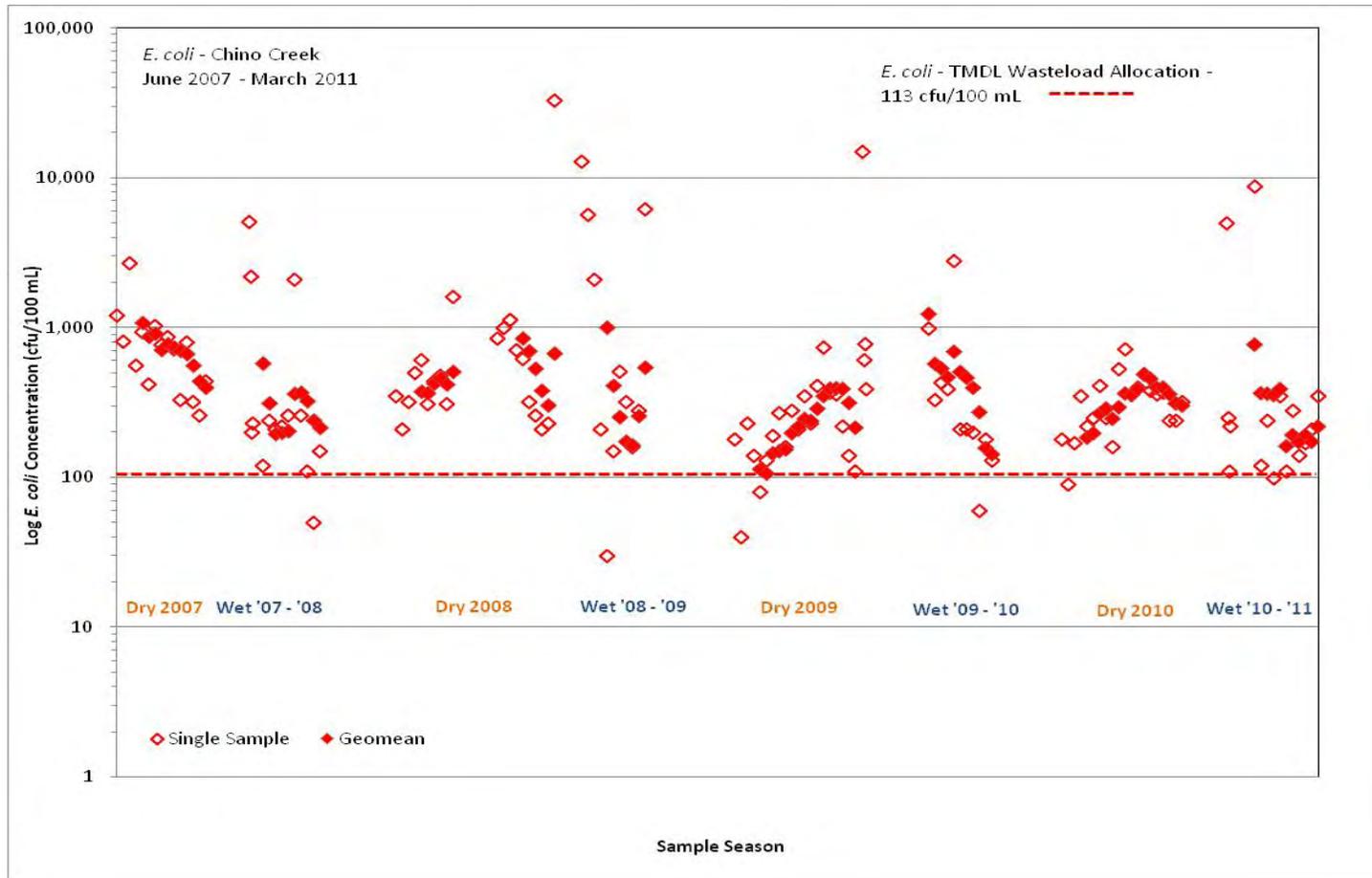


Figure B-14. Time series plot of *E. coli* single sample results and geometric means for samples collected from Chino Creek (WW-C7, 2007-2011). Geometric mean was calculated only if five samples were collected during the previous five weeks.

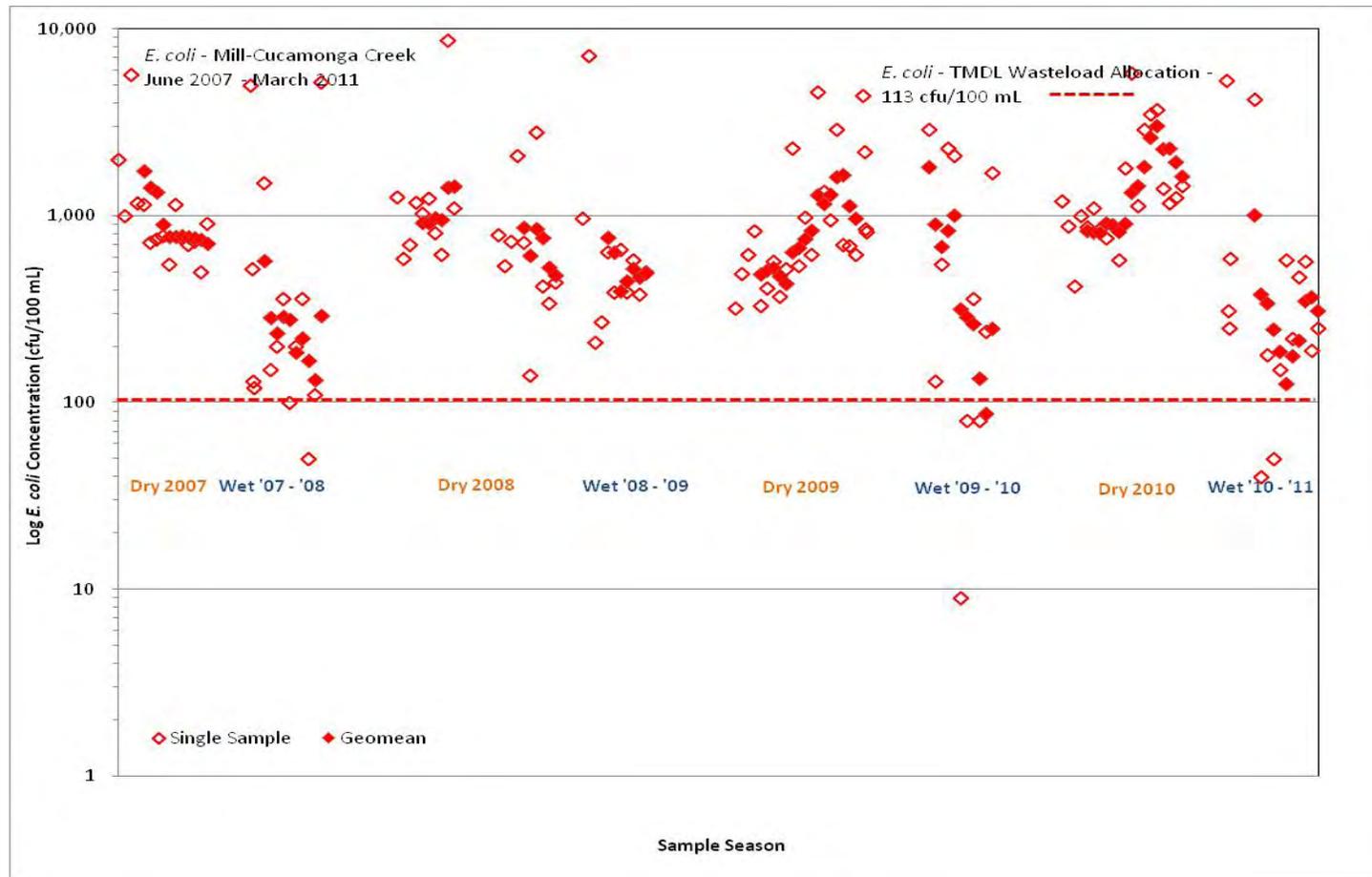


Figure B-15. Time series plot of *E. coli* single sample results and geometric means for samples collected from Mill-Cucamonga Creek (WW-M5, 2007-2011). Geometric mean was calculated only if five samples were collected during the previous five weeks.

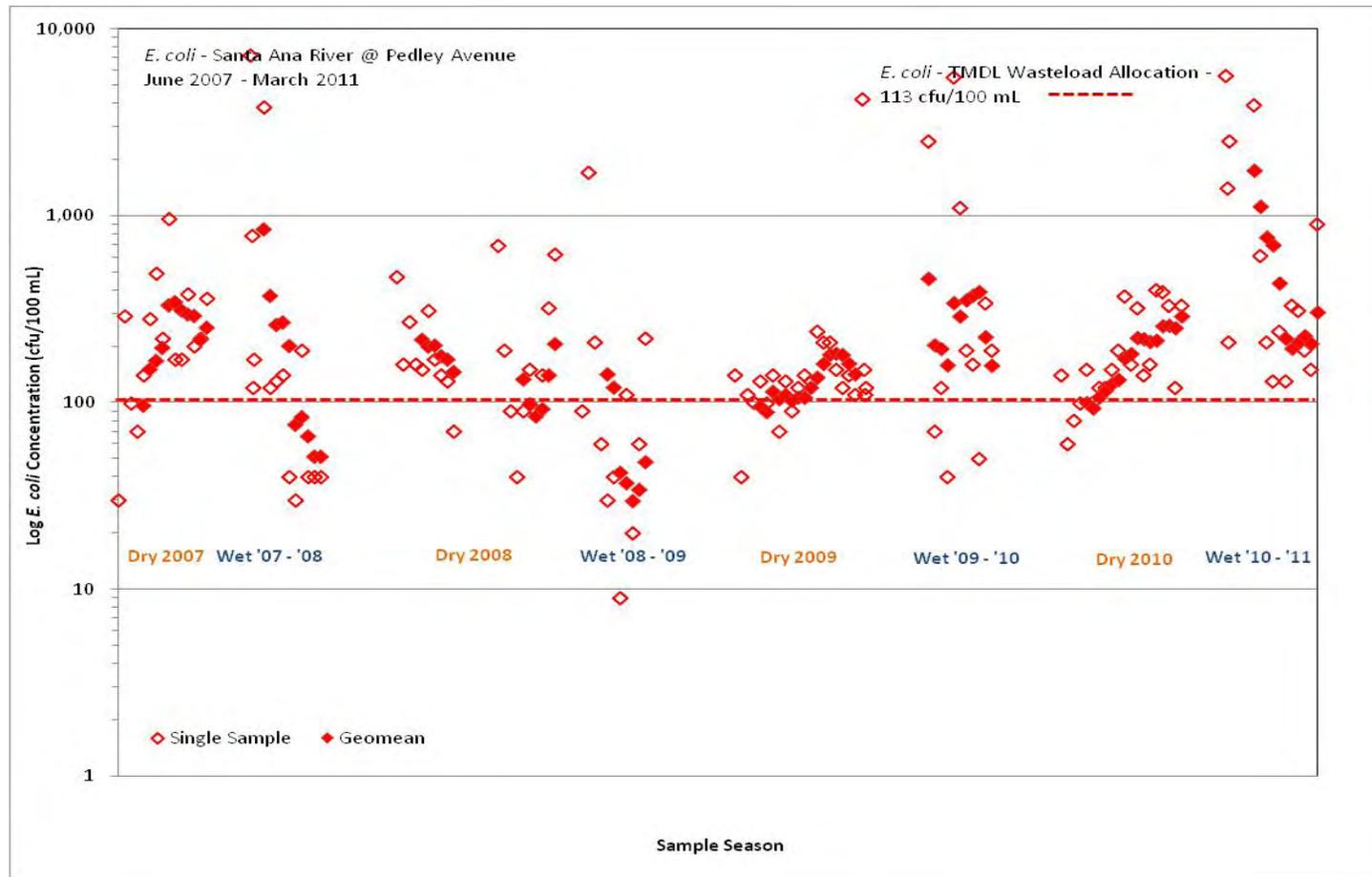


Figure B-16. Time series plot of *E. coli* single sample and geometric mean results for samples collected from Santa Ana River @ Pedley Avenue (WW-S4, 2007-2011). Geometric mean was calculated only if five samples were collected during the previous five weeks.

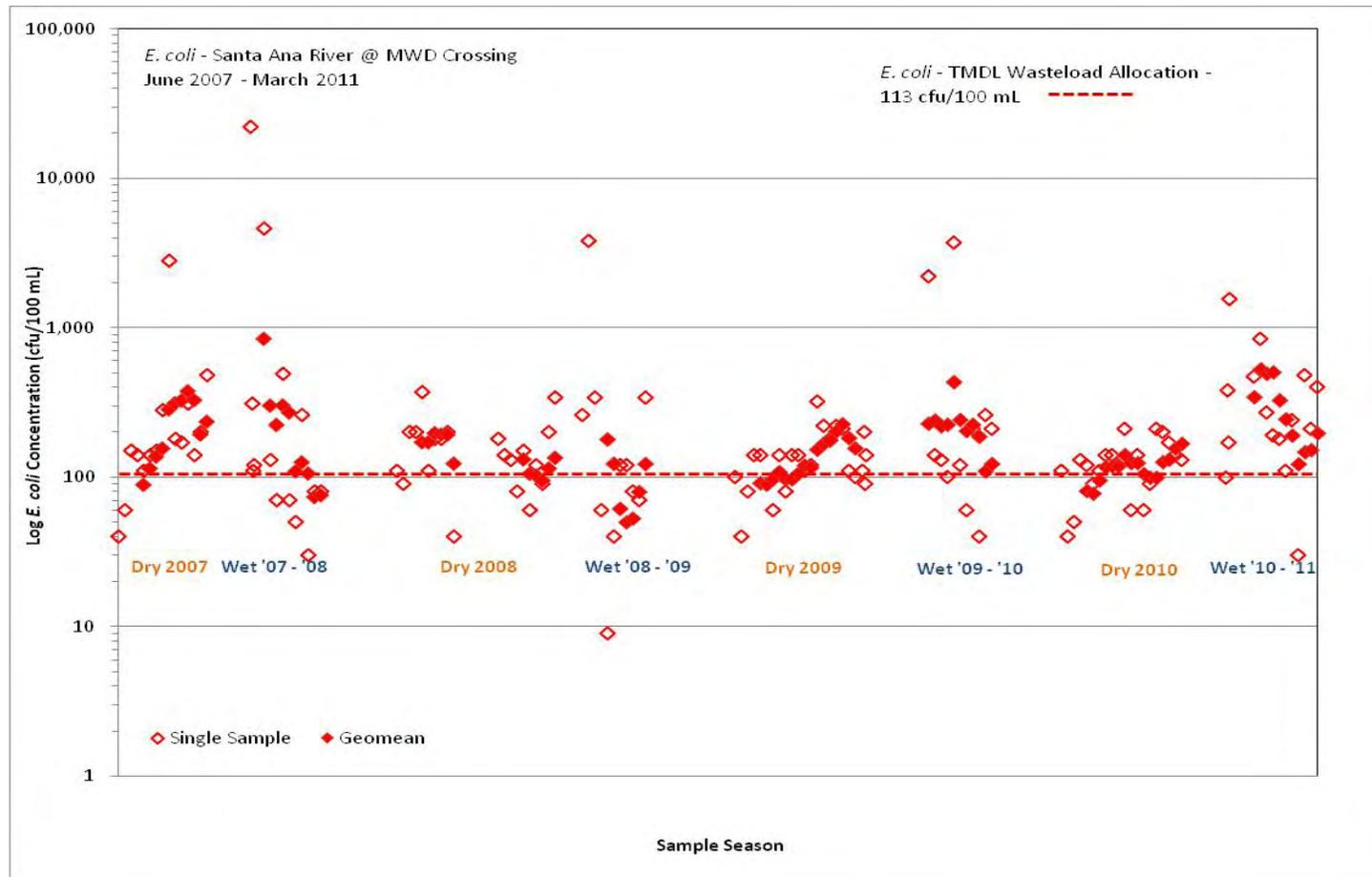


Figure B-17. Time series plot of *E. coli* single sample and geometric mean results for samples collected from Santa Ana River @ MWD Crossing (WW-S1, 2007-2011). Geometric mean was calculated only if five samples were collected during the previous five weeks.

Table B-9 summarizes the frequency of compliance with single sample and geometric mean Basin Plan REC-1 water quality objectives proposed for *E. coli* (235 cfu/mL for single sample and 126 cfu/mL for geometric mean) during dry weather conditions in the dry season 2007-2010. At some locations there has been an improvement in compliance frequency since data collection began in 2007, e.g., as observed at the Santa Ana River watershed-wide compliance monitoring locations.

**Table B-9. Compliance frequency for *E. coli* under dry weather conditions during the 2007 -2010 dry seasons (as compared to proposed Basin Plan objectives for *E. coli*)**

Site	Single Sample Criterion Exceedance Frequency (%)				Geometric Mean Criterion Exceedance Frequency (%)			
	2007	2008	2009	2010	2007	2008	2009	2010
Prado Park Lake	20%	30%	5%	5%	64%	50%	0%	6%
Chino Creek	100%	85%	35%	55%	100%	100%	88%	100%
Mill-Cucamonga Creek	100%	95%	100%	95%	100%	100%	100%	100%
SAR @ MWD Crossing	40%	15%	5%	30%	91%	58%	44%	63%
SAR @ Pedley Ave.	27%	25%	5%	5%	82%	75%	44%	19%

## Urban Source Evaluation Plan Monitoring

The USEP monitoring program (2007-2008) analyzed bacterial indicator levels and sources (using microbial source tracking [MST] tools) to characterize key urban MS4 facilities in Riverside and San Bernardino Counties. The MSAR Task Force used the 2007-2008 USEP data results to prioritize steps for mitigating controllable urban sources of bacterial indicators within the MSAR watershed. High priority sites included those where:

- Magnitude and frequency of bacterial indicator exceedances was high;
- Microbial source tracking analysis indicated presence of human sources of bacterial indicators relatively frequently;
- Site is in an area, or is close to an area, where water contact recreational activities are likely to occur; and
- Observed bacterial indicator exceedances and presence of human bacterial indicator sources occur during periods when people are most likely to be present, e.g., during warm months and dry weather periods.

In contrast, the lowest priority sites for urban dischargers would be those where the bacterial indicator exceedance frequency and magnitude is low, human or other urban sources, e.g., dogs, are not present, and the site is not used for water contact recreation, e.g., the site is a concrete-lined, vertical-walled flood control channel.

A complete summary of USEP monitoring results may be found in SAWPA (2009a). Compliance with Basin Plan objectives was evaluated using geometric mean and single sample results (Table B-10). Geometric means of bacterial indicator levels were calculated only when at least five sample results were available from the previous five week period. Bacterial indicator levels frequently exceeded water quality objectives at most of the sampling locations. Despite this commonality, the range of bacterial indicator levels varied significantly among sites (Figure B-18).

MST analyses detected bacterial indicators originating from human sources at some sites. The detection frequency of bacterial indicators originating from human sources indicated that some tributaries to impaired waterbodies could pose a greater risk of contributing harmful pathogens to downstream waters than others (Table B-11). Sites were ranked based on three factors:

- Frequency of exceedances of water quality objectives ( $R_F$ )
- Magnitude of bacterial indicator concentration ( $R_C$ )
- Number of detections of human source bacteria ( $R_D$ )

From these ranks, a single normalized index referred to as a Bacterial Prioritization Score (BPS) was calculated using the following equation:

$$BPS = \frac{R_F * R_C * R_D}{MAX_{R_F+R_C+R_D}}$$

Table B-12 shows the relative ranks and computed BPS for each of the subwatersheds represented by USEP monitoring locations. These BPS values are being used as the basis for prioritizing TMDL implementation activities within each of the areas draining to watershed-wide compliance monitoring locations. This analysis shows that highest priority drainage areas within larger subwatersheds are Box Springs and Lower Deer Creek (Chris Basin). In contrast, drainage areas that appear to be of low priority include Sunnyslope Channel and Carbon Canyon Creek.

The source of human bacteria in the Box Springs channel was determined to come from an illicit connection from a Riverside Community College restroom. This illicit connection was corrected in May 2008, as described in Attachment B.4.4 below.

**Table B-10. Compliance frequency based on proposed *E. coli* water quality objectives at USEP monitoring program sites during dry weather**

USEP Site	Single Sample Criterion Exceedance Frequency (%)		Geometric Mean (cfu/100 mL)				Geomean Criterion Exceedance Frequency (%)
	Dry Season	Wet Season	Dry Season 2007 (7/14 – 8/11)	Dry Season 2007 (9/1 – 9/29)	Wet Season 2008 (1/19 – 2/16)	Wet Season 2008 (1/26 – 2/23)	
Anza Drain	80%	25%	380	638	177	341	100%
Box Springs Channel	89%	75%	1,149	4,793	655	939	100%
Carbon Canyon Cr. <sup>1</sup>	20%	25%	44	84	200	177	50%
Chris Basin <sup>1</sup>	80%	100%	1,758	429	1,530	1,447	100%
County Line Channel <sup>2</sup>	80%	50%	1,194	n/a	n/a	n/a	100%
Cucamonga Creek <sup>1</sup>	50%	38%	74	262	176	356	50%
Cypress Channel <sup>1</sup>	100%	100%	4,745	1,981	n/a	n/a	100%
Day Creek <sup>2</sup>	71%	60%	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
San Antonio Channel <sup>1</sup>	78%	56%	n/a	718	2,085	1,394	100%
SAR @ La Cadena <sup>2</sup>	100%	50%	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Sunnyslope Channel	20%	33%	165	204	72	207	75%
San Sevaine Channel <sup>2</sup>	75%	83%	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Temescal Cr.	89%	43%	491	3,127	162	143	100%

<sup>1</sup> – Site in San Bernardino County

<sup>2</sup> – Site receives DWF from both counties

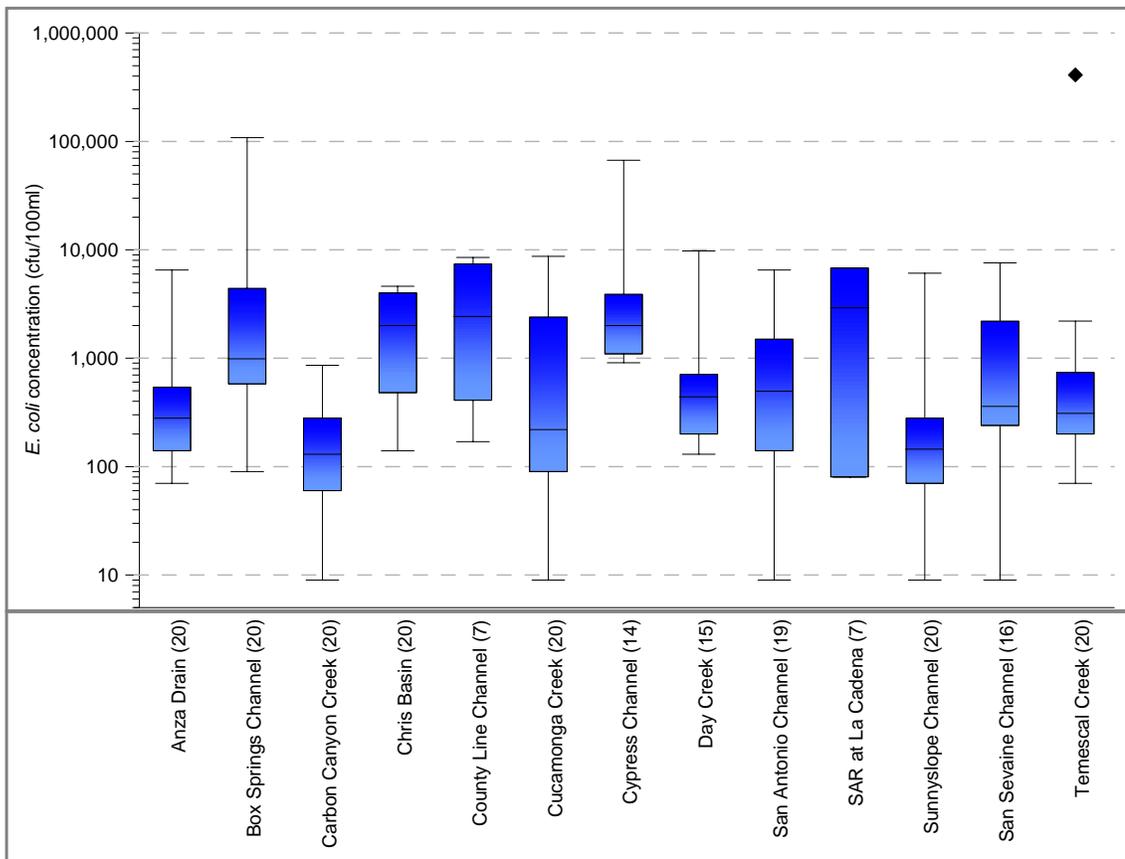


Figure B-18. *E. coli* levels at USEP monitoring program sites during dry weather conditions

**Table B-11. Summary of human source bacteria detections at USEP monitoring program sites**

USEP Site	N	Number of Detections of Human Sources (Maximum N = 20)	Frequency of Detection
Anza Drain	20	1	5%
Box Springs Channel	20	18	90%
Carbon Canyon Creek <sup>1</sup>	20	0	0%
Lower Deer Creek (Chris Basin) <sup>1</sup>	20	5	25%
County Line Channel <sup>2</sup>	7	0	0%
Cucamonga Creek <sup>1</sup>	20	1	5%
Cypress Channel <sup>1</sup>	14	1	7%
Day Creek <sup>2</sup>	15	1	7%
San Antonio Channel <sup>1</sup>	19	3	16%
San Sevaine Channel <sup>2</sup>	7	3	43%
Santa Ana River at La Cadena <sup>2</sup>	20	3	15%
Sunnyslope Channel	16	2	13%
Temescal Creek	20	1	5%

<sup>1</sup> – Site in San Bernardino County

<sup>2</sup> – Site receives DWF from both counties

**Table B-12. Bacteria Prioritization Score for USEP monitoring program sites**

Site	Relative Rank of Bacterial Indicator Water Quality			Normalized BPS
	Frequency of Single Sample Exceedance (R <sub>F</sub> )	Magnitude of Exceedance (R <sub>C</sub> )	Proportion of Human Detect (R <sub>D</sub> )	
Box Springs Channel	11	13	13	100
Chris Basin Outflow <sup>1</sup>	12	11	11	78
Cypress Channel <sup>1</sup>	13	12	7	59
San Antonio Channel <sup>1</sup>	6	9	10	29
Santa Ana River @ La Cadena <sup>2</sup>	5	8	12	26
San Sevaine Channel <sup>2</sup>	10	4	8	17
Day Creek <sup>2</sup>	8	6	6	15
County Line Channel <sup>2</sup>	9	10	1	5
Cucamonga Creek <sup>1</sup>	3	7	3	3
Anza Drain	4	5	3	3
Temescal Creek	7	2	3	2
Sunnyslope Channel	1	3	9	1
Carbon Canyon Creek <sup>1</sup>	1	1	1	0

<sup>1</sup> – Site in San Bernardino County

<sup>2</sup> – Site receives DWF from both counties

## MS4 Monitoring Activities

Monitoring activities conducted by the Riverside County stormwater program in the MSAR watershed predominantly focus on sampling wet weather conditions. However, DWF samples have been collected from three locations in Riverside County:

- Magnolia Center storm drain in the City of Riverside;
- North Norco Channel at 2<sup>nd</sup> Street in the City of Norco; and
- Line K storm drain in the City of Corona.

Table B-13 shows *E. coli* concentrations from dry weather sampling events for the period of 2005 through 2010. Generally, dry weather *E. coli* concentrations are higher than in receiving waterbodies. However, it is important to note that DWFs from the Magnolia Center storm drain (where sample collection was most frequent) are typically recharged within the floodplain of the Santa Ana River and, therefore, not hydrologically connected to the Santa Ana River. Data from the other Riverside County monitoring sites shows that DWFs do not occur very often at these sites (blanks mean no sample was collected because the site was dry).

**Table B-13. Results of MS4 program monitoring for *E. coli* during dry weather in Riverside County from 2005 to 2009 (MPN/100 mL)**

Date	Magnolia Center Storm Drain	N. Norco Channel at 2 <sup>nd</sup> Street	Corona NPDES Site (Line K near Harrison)	University Wash Channel
3/30/2005	130	40	--	--
6/13/2005	1100	--	--	--
2/9/2006	500	--	--	--
5/30/2006	600	--	--	--
8/23/2006	2400	--	5000	--
12/7/2006	7	--	--	--
5/15/2007	500	--	3000	--
9/26/2007	130	--	--	--
3/20/2008	700	--	--	--
6/24/2008	200	--	8000	--
11/19/2008	200	--	--	--
4/1/2009	200	--	200	--
6/16/2009	5000	--	--	--
9/29/2009	800	--	--	--
3/29/2010	200	--	--	400
6/28/2010	200	--	--	200

## Special Water Quality Studies

Data collected by the USEP monitoring program showed that DWFs in Box Springs Channel contained a persistent source of human *Bacteroides*, a molecular marker used to determine if human source bacteria are present in samples. RCFC&WCD initiated an IC/ID investigation in January 2008 to attempt to track down this persistent source. Coincidentally, during the same time, the City of Riverside was also reviewing plans to replace a sewer line running near Box Springs Channel. While performing dye tests on lateral sewer lines, the City discovered that a single restroom toilet located in the Sam Evans Sports Complex on the Riverside Community College Riverside Campus was inadvertently connected to a storm drain pipe rather than a sewer line. It is likely that the error occurred when the restroom was originally constructed. To correct the problem, the cross-connected toilet was removed in May of 2008 and the sewer lateral was later capped to prevent any accidental recurrence.

Subsequent sampling in February 2009 indicated that bacterial concentrations were lower than recorded the previous summer. In addition, two separate samples analyzed by the Orange County Water District were both negative for the presence of *Bacteroides*. In September of 2009, another sample collected from Box Springs Channel did indicate the probable presence of low levels of human bacteria.

Between April 19 and May 19, 2011, RCFC&WCD conducted sampling activities at Box Springs Channel for dry weather flow and bacterial water quality. Samples were analyzed for *Bacteroides* to determine the presence of human source bacteria. Results for each sample date are listed below:

- April 19, 2011: Negative for human source bacteria
- April 27, 2011: Negative for human source bacteria
- May 3, 2011: Negative for human source bacteria
- May 11, 2011: Negative for human source bacteria
- May 19, 2011: Negative for human source bacteria

Analyses for human sources bacteria were negative for all weekly samples and support the presumption that the cross connection at the single restroom toilet was the source of the human bacteria in 2007-08 USEP monitoring.

# Attachment C

## Comprehensive Bacterial Indicator Reduction Program

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## **C.1 Introduction**

This section describes the CBRP program planned for implementation by the Riverside County Permittees to achieve compliance with urban wasteload allocations under dry weather conditions. The CBRP program relies on a combination of ordinance adoption or revision, implementation of specific BMPs, a comprehensive inspection program (i.e., source evaluation program), development of UAAs, and where determined necessary, regional treatment (with options ranging from ultraviolet disinfection, natural treatment systems to diversions to POTWs). The recommended approach focuses both on the elimination of DWFs from MS4 facilities and reductions of urban bacterial indicator sources.

As discussed in CBRP Section 1.5.1, Section VI.D.1.c.i of the Riverside County MS4 permit lists the requirements for preparation of the CBRP. These requirements call for the inclusion of four key program elements. These elements and their corresponding reference in the CBRP are as follows:

- Ordinances - Element 1
- Specific BMPs - Element 2
- Inspection Criteria - Element 3
- Regional Treatment - Element 4

The following sections describe the CBRP program activities planned for implementation under each of these elements.

## **C.2 Element 1 - Ordinances**

The CBRP requires the identification of specific ordinances that will be adopted during implementation that reduce the levels of indicator bacteria in urban sources. Two options for ordinance adoption are described in the sections below: Water Conservation and Pathogen Control.

### **Water Conservation Ordinance**

A number of water conservation ordinances have been established by Riverside County jurisdictions to address outdoor water use efficiency (see Table 5-1). The Cities of Corona, Norco, and Riverside and WMWD are required to comply with the Urban Water Management Plan Act (UWMP) and prepare an UWMP every five years. As part of the UWMP requirements, these agencies are required to address water waste prohibitions during normal water conditions and during various stages of water shortages (catastrophic interruptions and during droughts). To varying degrees, the jurisdictions have adopted water conservation ordinances incorporating these requirements.

Under normal water conditions, water conservation ordinances prohibit specific outdoor water use activities that have the potential to create DWF in the MS4. Normal water conditions are when there are no expected shortages in water supplies. Specifically, prohibited activities during normal water conditions may include allowing runoff to leave a property from over-irrigation, washing of impervious surfaces, and failure to repair leaks. Actual prohibitions vary by the adopted ordinances of the water purveyors as illustrated in Table C-1. During water shortages the ordinances for the City of Corona and WMWD correspondingly further limit water use, including outdoor water use and subsequently the potential to create further DWFs, in relation to the degree of the shortage such as limiting outdoor water use to specific days, hours, and durations.

### **Water Efficient Landscape Ordinance**

The Water Conservation in Landscaping Act of 2006, Assembly Bill 1881 (AB 1881), requires adoption of the Model Water Efficient Landscape Ordinance designed to improve public and private landscaping and irrigation practices for new development projects or rehabilitation of significant landscape areas. The ordinance reduces outdoor water waste through improvements in irrigation efficiency and selection of plants requiring less water. The ordinance requires development of water budgets for landscaping, use of recycled water if available, routine irrigation audits and scheduling of irrigation based on localized climate. For existing landscapes greater than one-acre in size, the water purveyors are required to implement programs, such as irrigation water use analyses, irrigation surveys, and irrigation audits to reduce landscape water use to a level not exceeding the Maximum Applied Water Allowance (MAWA) as specified in the ordinance. Landscape audits are required to be conducted by a certified landscape auditor. Local purveyors are also required to prevent outdoor water waste resulting from inefficient landscape irrigation and establish penalties for violating these prohibitions. Specifically, local purveyors are to

prohibit runoff from leaving the targeted landscape areas. Riverside County jurisdictions have already adopted landscaping and irrigation ordinances that are at least as stringent as the statewide guidelines developed to support implementation of AB 1881.

**Table C-1. Existing Water Conservation Ordinances within the Riverside County Portion of the MSAR Watershed**

Jurisdiction	Ordinance Name	Applicability	Key Prohibitions
City of Corona	Water Conservation	City of Corona	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Any irrigation water leaving the property</li> <li>• Failure to repair a water leak</li> <li>• Use of water to wash any impervious surfaces</li> </ul>
City of Norco	Water Conservation	City of Norco	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Failure to repair a water leak</li> </ul>
City of Riverside	Water Conservation	Most of City of Riverside	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Any irrigation water leaving the property</li> </ul>
Jurupa Community Services District	Water Conservation	Jurupa and Eastvale	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Any irrigation water leaving the property</li> <li>• Failure to repair a water leak</li> <li>• Use of water to wash any impervious surfaces</li> <li>• Scheduling of spray irrigation between the hours of 8:00 am and 8:00 pm</li> </ul>
Western Municipal Water District	Water Conservation	Part of City of Riverside and portions of unincorporated Riverside County	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Any irrigation water leaving the property</li> <li>• Failure to repair a water leak</li> <li>• Use of water to wash any impervious surfaces</li> </ul>
County of Riverside	Water Efficient Landscaping	Countywide – properties with greater than 1 acre of landscaping	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Any irrigation water leaving the property</li> </ul>

**CBRP Implementation:** Generally speaking, the Permittees’ ability to enforce water conservation and water efficient landscape ordinances on their own is somewhat limited. Local water districts measure water use, set rates, and set water use policies, including fines for water waste. Local stormwater ordinances can complement these measures, but water district participation and implementation of the conservation requirements is critical to a successful water conservation program that also provides water quality benefits. Accordingly, CBRP activity in the area of water conservation ordinance enforcement will be coordinated with water local water purveyors, as follows:

- City of Corona – City of Corona Department of Water
- City of Norco – City of Norco Department of Water
- City of Riverside – Riverside Public Utilities and Western Municipal Water District
- Cities of Eastvale and Jurupa Valley – Jurupa Community Services District

- Southeast part of City of Riverside and unincorporated Riverside County – Western Municipal Water District

For all of the MS4 Permittees, water conservation ordinances have recently been updated and there are no plans to modify ordinance language.

For the City of Norco, DWFs will be addressed through specific BMPs (see Element 2) rather than modify existing water conservation authority. For the cities of Corona and Riverside, Eastvale and Jurupa Valley, and County of Riverside, adequate authority exists, but enforcement levels need to be increased. All of these evaluations will be coordinated with water purveyors.

### **Bacterial Indicator Control Ordinance**

Bacterial indicator control through ordinance development is a component of the Riverside County MS4 permit:

*Riverside County MS4 Permit Section VIII.C – “Within three (3) years of adoption of this Order, the Co-Permittees shall promulgate and implement ordinances that would control known pathogen or Bacterial Indicator sources such as animal wastes, if necessary.”*

With a permit adoption date of January 29, 2010, this MS4 permit requirement must be addressed by January 29, 2013. The permit language specifically mentions animal wastes but could address other bacterial indicator sources as well.

The City of Norco already has an established ordinance to address management and disposal of manure from animal keeping properties. This ordinance requires residents to maintain their animal keeping properties and provides the City of Norco authority to impose penalties and fines if properties are not properly maintained.

Many other municipalities have existing ordinances regarding pet waste but typically address this issue under general nuisance provisions and as a prohibited discharge (e.g., discharges not composed entirely of stormwater and which contains any pollutant, from public or private property). Typical ordinances make unlawful the failure to exercise due care or control over an animal such that solid waste is to allowed to be deposited on any public sidewalks, parks or other public property, or private property other than that of the owner.

**CBRP Implementation:** Existing ordinances do not establish specific requirements to properly dispose of pet waste with accompanying penalties for failure to comply. As part of CBRP implementation, the Permittees will re-visit existing ordinances that address any type of animal waste and look at ways to enhance waste management requirements, compliance and enforcement. For example, a bacterial indicator control ordinance could specifically require owners/keepers of pets to properly dispose of pet waste that is deposited on any property, whether public or private. Proper disposal would be defined as placement of pet waste in waste receptacles or

containers that are regularly emptied or to a sanitary sewage system for proper treatment. Penalties or fines could be also included.

In addition to the above recommendations, it is possible that during implementation of the inspection program (see Element 3), additional ordinance needs may be identified that could be addressed through a bacterial indicator control ordinance. This potential will be evaluated continually during CBRP implementation.

### C.3 Element 2 - Specific BMPs

The CBRP requires the identification of specific BMPs that will be implemented to reduce bacterial indicator levels in receiving waters. The following sections describe in no particular order the specific BMPs that have been incorporated into the CBRP. These BMPs range from programmatic activities that set the stage for other CBRP elements (e.g., DWF inspections) to specific activities that can reduce DWFs or control bacterial indicators at the source. Some of the recommended BMPs are also MS4 permit requirements, which will be noted as appropriate. In addition, some of these BMP activities may be coordinated between Riverside and San Bernardino County to streamline the level of effort required to implement the activity.

#### Transient Camps

Transient encampments near receiving waters or within MS4 facilities are often cited as a potential source for bacterial indicators and a reason for closure of these encampments. As this source of bacterial indicators is directly associated with human waste / human pathogens, this is a high priority source for control. It is not certain to what degree water quality is impacted by these encampments, especially under dry weather conditions. However, facilities for proper management of human and food wastes are typically not present at transient encampments. A difficulty in addressing transient encampments as a source of bacterial indicators is that they are transitory, existing for periods that may range from days to weeks. In some instances, sites may be used intermittently by transients. Two essential questions need to be evaluated prior to fully engaging in a process that involves eliminating transient camps that have the potential to impact water quality:

- *Where are transient encampments in relation to the MS4?* Transient encampments are commonly located under bridges, in channels, or near or adjacent to waterbodies within the flood control facility right-of-way or within a natural channel. RCFC&WCD owns and operates the vast majority of MS4 that can support transient encampments. Through annual inspections of its MS4, the RCFC&WCD identifies encampments within its MS4 that are a threat to public health and safety or downstream receiving waters. These encampments are relocated and cleaned through a coordinated program with local municipalities, social service providers and law enforcement.

Encampments outside of MS4 rights-of-way may also provide a threat to water quality in some cases. To assist in source evaluations for specific MS4 facilities, the Riverside County Permittees can conduct reconnaissance to identify locations for transient encampments that may have the highest potential to impact water quality as part of their source assessment program. As transient encampments are mobile, it is appropriate to conduct reconnaissance after source assessments indicates a potential human contamination to a specific MS4.

- *What is the water quality impact of transient encampments?* Once a transient encampment has been identified as part of an MS4 inspection or source assessment

follow-up, an investigation can be conducted to examine to what degree transient activities, including illicit discharges, are impacting DWFs. It may be possible that such encampments are more of a wet weather concern. Such an investigation may include field observations of camp activities and water quality sampling upstream and downstream of selected camps located adjacent to waterbodies.

Based on the findings from the above activities, an evaluation of the potential benefits of enhancing existing transient encampment management strategies to focus on eliminating camps near waterbodies will be made. Specifically, this evaluation will look at the social, financial impacts of program enhancement relative to the water quality benefits achieved as compared to other bacterial indicator reduction strategies. This evaluation is needed prior to implementation since camp closure requires participation by multiple agencies, which will tax already limited resources, e.g., law enforcement, public works, environmental health, and social services.

If the decision is made to expand efforts to regularly eliminate transient encampments outside of the MS4 to support CBRP implementation an area-wide model program will be developed to guide jurisdictional agencies. For example, The Center for Problem-Oriented Policing and the U.S. Department of Justice Office of Community Oriented Policing Services developed *Homeless Encampments* (2009 guidance document), which presents recommended steps for closing down transient camps. These steps are summarized as follows:

- Visit encampment to identify the number of occupants and any hazardous conditions - This initial step is critical as it provides information regarding what additional local resources (law enforcement, public works, and social services) would be required to close the camp.
- Determine jurisdiction for multi-agency coordination – The exact location of the encampment determines which municipal entities and department should be involved.
- Arrange alternative shelter prior to removal of individuals from encampments to prevent legal challenges.
- Engage transient advocacy groups to explain what process will be followed and what alternative shelter arrangements are available; this will ease tensions and controversy prior to implementing camp closure activities.
- Understand jurisdictional laws regarding removal of transient/ property to prevent latter claims of violations of such laws.
- Provide and post written advance notice to camp occupants that they are trespassing, provide a deadline to vacate and remove all property, and identify location(s) of alternative shelter.

- Issue citations after passage of the first deadline and notify occupants that they are subject to arrest and property seizure if the camp is not vacated after a second deadline.
- Conduct arrests if occupants have not vacated and removed property by second deadline.
- Clean-up site after camp has been vacated, and remove and cut back foliage/natural cover as this action tends to remove incentive for the camps to be rebuilt in the same location; it also provides unobstructed views of the area.
- Inspect the site periodically to ensure camp is not reestablished.
- Post signage prohibiting establishment of encampments in the area.

Within the area under the jurisdiction of the Bacterial Indicator TMDL, the City of Corona and RCFC&WCD have implemented similar strategies to the one described above. The City of Corona previously participated in a transient task force that consisted of the Public Works Department, Code Enforcement, and Corona Police Department FLEX Team (a unit specifically formed to address community-specific needs). The purpose of this joint effort was to seek out transient encampments where there was indication of occupants engaged in activities other than loitering in areas of the City, including Prado Basin (e.g., activities such as sleeping and eating). Corona's strategy involved two basic scenarios:

- If an encampment was located and found to be occupied, the subjects were advised that they were trespassing and should leave the area removing all possessions in the process.
- If an encampment was observed to be unoccupied, notice was left advising of trespass and a timeframe was posted that provided opportunity for residents to remove their property. If the property had not been removed by the noticed date, local authorities would remove and dispose of the property.

The City of Corona Code Enforcement staff observed that it was very common to find in the vicinity of the encampments a "bathroom area" with evidence of human feces left on the ground. Unknown is to what degree these areas impact water quality during the dry season.

**CBRP Implementation:** The following activities will be implemented as part of this BMP:

- RCFC&WCD conducts comprehensive inspections for transient encampments within its MS4 facilities tributary to 303(d) listed waterbodies through the RCFC&WCD's ongoing MS4 inspections. Non-MS4 encampments are not an initial priority.

- Transients in District's MS4 removed via cooperative program with police, social services, environmental health and RCFC&WCD staff.
- If transient camps outside of MS4 are identified as a significant potential bacterial indicator source in DWFs during subsequent MS4 source evaluation studies, the Permittees will determine the need to develop a model program for mitigating water quality impacts from transient encampments. Illicit Discharge, Detection and Elimination Program (IDDE)

The MS4 permit for Riverside County requires the development of an IDDE program (MS4 permit Section IX.D). This effort is to supplement ongoing MS4 permit implementation activities to eliminate illegal connections and illicit discharges to the MS4. The purpose of this program is to reduce or eliminate DWFs from entering the MS4 system by identifying and eliminating such flows through aggressive inspection and enforcement activities. Elimination or reduction of DWFs to the MS4 is one of the key CBRP strategies for reducing bacterial indicators in the MS4.

RCFC&WCD recently revised its illicit connection/illicit discharge (IC/ID) portion of its consolidated monitoring program to incorporate new Permit requirements for an illicit discharge detection and elimination (IDDE) program. Specifically, the MS4 Permit requires the following items to be addressed through the IDDE program:

- Inventory and map of Permittees' MS4 facilities and Major Outfalls to Receiving Waters;
- Schedule to conduct and implement systematic investigations of MS4 open channels and Major Outfalls;
- Use of field indicators to identify potential Illegal Discharges;
- Method to track Illegal Discharges to their sources, where feasible; and
- Public education about Illegal Discharges and Pollution Prevention where problems are found or reported.

The revised IC/ID incorporates a desktop assessment to identify and prioritize MS4 segments within each jurisdiction for inspection activities. Using the information from the desktop assessment (in progress, completion expected in December 2011), each Permittee's LIP will identify a schedule for performing field reconnaissance of MS4 facilities within Permittee jurisdictions so that all Major Outfalls within its jurisdiction are visited within the term of the MS4 Permit (i.e., by January 29, 2015). Field reconnaissance activities will include, at a minimum, visual observation of DWF or staining indicating recent presence of DWF, and if flow is present, field measurements for flow, pH, temperature, and specific conductance. Field measured parameters will be evaluated to determine if source of DWF may be from an illicit discharge according to the following criteria:

- Specific Conductance >25 percent higher than the water quality objective

- pH below 6.0 or above 9.5
- Temperature that is unusual compared to ambient air temperature (i.e., extremely hot or cold flow that is not influenced by current weather at site)
- Unusual staining in/near Major Outfall, unusual color or cloudiness (i.e., sediment) evident in discharge, or unusual odor(s)

For discharges exceeding any one of the above criteria or if a specific complaint warrants investigation, a source investigation will be conducted by the Permittee. The investigation involves tracing the discharge as far upstream as possible to determine source. The following guides actions based on results of source investigations:

- *If the source cannot be identified:*
  - Collect field measurements and document where there is no other evidence of the IC/ID source. Provide appropriate public education material in area of IC/ID or complaint
  - If there is no active discharge but evidence of IC/ID is present at time of investigation, then mark location for future follow-up. Follow-up visit(s) will confirm if the IC/ID has recurred and will attempt to locate source. If IC/ID has not recurred or has been eliminated, note on IC/ID form (or similar) and close complaint/investigation. Provide appropriate public education material in area of IC/ID or complaint.
- *If the source is identified:*
  - Determine if the discharge is permitted or allowable (MS4 Permit Section VI.A). Discussions with property owners and others near the source of the discharge will be necessary.
  - If a permitted, allowed, or exempted discharge is exposed to a source of pollutants (e.g., recently applied fertilizers or pesticides), it will be treated as an Illegal Discharge. Refer incident to RWQCB.
  - If discharge is permitted, request copy of regulatory permit, District Encroachment permit, or any other document authorizing the discharge. No further action is required where the source is determined to be a permitted, allowed, or exempted discharge. Permitted discharges that are perceived to be a threat to human health or the environment will be reported to the RWQCB/CalEMA.
  - If discharge is not clearly permitted or allowable, implement Permittee Enforcement and Compliance Strategy (E/CS) procedures as described in the Permittee's LIP.
  - If the incident is part of a HazMat incident, report to the Incident Commander (IC) upon arrival. Coordinate with the HazMat team and only collect samples

with approval of the IC as samples may be done in conjunction with future legal action. *Under no circumstances should a site be entered or field measurements collected if conditions are unsafe.*

**CBRP Implementation:** Riverside County Permittees will implement the new IDDE Program described above. Information on DWF gathered from this program can be used to assist with the bacteria source evaluation included in the inspection program under CBRP Element 3.

## Street Sweeping

Trash and other materials accumulated in streets and within MS4 facilities may provide a habitat and food source for bacterial indicators. DWF in street gutters, drains, and catch basins keeps these facilities damp, which supports bacterial indicator survivability. Biofilms may develop under these types of conditions within catch basins, along street gutters, or within flood control channels (e.g., see Skinner et al., 2010; Fergusson 2006). Biofilms are dynamic microbial communities that go through an attachment phase and then ultimately a detachment, erosion or “sloughing” phase from the surface to which they are attached.

Managing or eliminating biofilm development has the potential to substantially reduce bacterial indicator levels. A recent study by the City of San Diego shows that enhanced cleaning of catch basins provided minimal benefits in terms of reducing bacterial indicator levels. However, there is evidence that enhanced street sweeping will provide benefits. This can be accomplished by using vacuum street sweepers to reduce biofilms and their habitat and food sources from street gutters. Skinner et al. (2010) found very high bacterial indicator counts in initially bacteria free hose water running along street gutters. Implementing improved street sweeping practices resulted in an order of magnitude reduction in fecal coliform concentration (14,000 MPN/100 mL to 870 MPN/100 mL) in a 300 foot section of gutter before and after street sweeping. This finding suggests that the use of newer vacuum street sweepers targeting the street gutter could provide increased control of this source of bacterial indicators.

**CBRP Implementation:** Riverside County MS4 Permittees currently sweep all streets with curb and gutter within hydrologically connected drainage areas within the MSAR watershed (Table C-2). Some of the Permittees own and operate vacuum assisted street sweepers or plan to purchase a vacuum assisted street sweeper prior to 2015 to enhance the effectiveness of their existing programs. Increased use of vacuum assisted street sweepers within the MSAR watershed will provide reduction in bacterial indicators in DWF prior to 2015. Street sweeping within the cities of Corona, Norco, and Riverside, is currently at or planned for bi-weekly frequency. Studies have shown that biweekly sweeping is the most effective for removal of roadway sediment and associated pollutants (Rosselot, 2007). Each MSAR Permittee will identify in their LIP the specific additional actions they intend to take to enhance their street sweeping programs as necessary to attain the 2010 SAR MS4 Permit WQBEL.

**Table C-2. Summary of Planned Street Sweeping Activities by Riverside County MS4 Permittees in the MSAR Watershed**

Permittee	Approximate Length of Curb Miles Swept	Frequency of Sweeping	Total Number of Sweepers	Number of Vacuum Assisted Sweepers
City of Riverside	70,000	Bi-weekly	12	1
City of Corona	20,000	Bi-weekly residential; weekly industrial	2	2
City of Norco	685	Bi-weekly	3	1
Cities of Eastvale and Jurupa Valley <sup>1</sup>	n/a	As-needed	n/a	1

1) Street sweeping has been performed on an as need basis in the previously unincorporated area via franchise agreements with the local waste haulers. Jurupa Valley and Eastvale are planning to renegotiate contracts with the waste haulers to perform street sweeping. One Vacuum assisted street sweeper is in use by the waste hauler every other week.

## Irrigation or Water Conservation BMPs

Many water conservation BMPs reduce outdoor water waste, which in turn may reduce or eliminate DWFs containing bacterial indicators from entering MS4 facilities and receiving waters. The development and implementation of these practices will be carried out collaboratively with water purveyors to assist them with meeting their water conservation requirements. Specific practices that would be effective at reducing DWFs include:

- *Replacement of grass with artificial turf* – The use of artificial turf provides a low maintenance, no irrigation alternative to grass lawns. Costs of materials and installation to replace a grass lawn with artificial turf can range from \$6-14 per square foot. In the past, through partnerships with MWD and WMWD, RPU and the City of Corona have offered a \$1 per square foot rebate for property owners that replace existing grass lawns with artificial turf.
- *Replacement of grass with drought tolerant native plant species* – California drought tolerant native plants/gardens require minimal watering and are not typically irrigated with spray irrigation therefore reducing the likelihood of off-site DWF (see the California Native Plant Society webpage for more information at [www.cnps.org](http://www.cnps.org)). All water purveyors in the MS4 Permit area offer a residential turf removal rebate program ranging from \$1.00/square foot (sq. ft) to \$0.40/sq. ft. dependent on the water purveyor. Corona is also conducting a pilot commercial turf removal program. Under all programs to be eligible for a rebate property owners must replace existing grass lawns with California native or water friendly plants.
- *Installation of Weather Based Irrigation Controllers (WBICs)* – WBICs use climate measurements to determine the amount of water needed to meet evapotranspiration requirements of grass lawns and other landscaped areas on a given day. Limiting irrigation to the needs of the plants can reduce the amount of water that leaves a

property as DWF. WBICs can be distributed to potential users via several types of programs, including partial rebates/ vouchers, equipment exchanges, or direct installation. Typical costs for WBICs range from \$300 - \$800 for a small residential application to \$2,000 - \$3,000 for a property with large landscaped areas. The cost effectiveness of installing WBICs to a property owner or water agency is dependent upon the existing water use (potential to reduce demand), avoided cost of water, water rates, and expected lifespan of the device (Mayer et al. 2009). Given these variables, it would be the least cost effective to distribute WBICs to individual homeowners who do not typically over-irrigate. Conversely, the most cost effective applications of WBICs would be on large landscape properties where excess water is used and the potential to generate off-site runoff is high. Accordingly, RPU is planning to install WBICs for CII customers at the top 5 percent of water usage prior to 2015 and the top 5-10 percent of water usage prior to 2020 (Kennedy/Jenks Consultants, 2010).

- *Installation of Rotating Sprinkler Nozzles*– Installation of rotating sprinkler nozzles and high efficiency nozzle retrofits on large rotary sprinklers reduce offsite runoff by applying water at a slower rate with less misting and greater distribution uniformity. Slower application of water reduces ponding thus reducing offsite runoff, especially in sloped areas. These nozzles also mist less than traditional sprinklers reducing the chance of wind blowing water away from the targeted landscape area. Typically, existing sprinkler heads can be replaced with the nozzles without replacing the entire sprinkler body. Overall the nozzles use approximately 20 percent less water than conventional sprinkler heads. Rotating sprinkler nozzles typically cost approximately \$4.00 per nozzle. Rebates are provided at \$3 per nozzle to water purveyors in the Permittee area through their participation in the SoCal WaterSmart Program through the Metropolitan Water District. Commercial and residential water customers in the Cities of Corona, Riverside, and WMWD retail customers can obtain rotating sprinkler nozzles for free. Actual reductions in DWF will vary dependent upon local site conditions, such as turf adjacent to impervious surfaces and irrigation on slopes.
- *Landscape irrigation audits* – Most water purveyors in southern California provide free landscape irrigation audits to customers, if requested. An audit involves checking the irrigation system for leaks, ensuring spray heads are properly directed and operational, capping unused spray heads, and providing a watering schedule based on precipitation rate, local climate, irrigation system performance, and landscape conditions. A potential implementation approach would be to target landscape audits in areas that are hydrologically connected to downstream receiving waterbodies/compliance sites. The cost of conducting a landscape irrigation audit is low relative to other irrigation practice BMPs; however, the effectiveness decays over time. RPU is planning to provide water audits, addressing all types of outdoor water uses, to single-family and CII customers at the top 5 percent of water usage and to all dedicated irrigation customers prior to 2015. After 2015, RPU plans to continue to conduct water use efficiency audits for customers at the top 5-10 percent of water usage and then to implement annual

audits sufficient to maintain the savings achieved by 2020 (Kennedy/Jenks Consultants, 2010).

- *Public education and outreach* - Public education and outreach activities to encourage water conservation are already ongoing (both by the MS4 program and water purveyors). The CBRP does not recommend any new or modified public education and outreach activities unless it is determined that potential additional benefits could be achieved from additional collaboration between the MS4 Permittees and water purveyors in this area.

The benefits expected from each of the above BMPs vary. For grass replacement BMPs, DWF is mostly eliminated while WBICs can reduce DWF by approximately 50 percent (Jakubowski 2008). Runoff reduction from landscape irrigation audits and ongoing public education and outreach activities are more difficult to quantify, as they are largely dependent on changing human behavior. These types of BMPs may reduce runoff from an individual property by only a small amount; however, because implementation may be more widespread the overall benefit may be relatively high. Factors associated with each of the above BMPs impact will affect decisions on how such BMP practices can be developed and implemented at the local level as part of the CBRP. These factors include cost, public perception, reliability, ease of implementation, and expected runoff reduction. Table C-3 provides an evaluation of each of these factors by ranking them as low, medium or high with regards to expected benefits from their implementation.

**Table C-3. Evaluation Matrix for Irrigation Practices/ Water Conservation BMPs (High Benefit ●; Medium Benefit ⊙; Low Benefit ○)**

Water Conservation BMP	Dry Weather Runoff Reduction	Cost	Ease of Implementation	Water Conservation
Replacement of grass with artificial turf	●	○	○	●
Replacement of grass with drought tolerant plant species	●	⊙	○	●
Installation of WBICs	⊙	○	⊙	⊙
Rotating sprinkler head nozzles	⊙	⊙	●	⊙
Landscape irrigation audits	⊙	●	●	○
Public education and outreach	○	●	●	○

**CBRP Implementation:** Development and implementation of these BMPs will be closely coordinated with water purveyors within the MS4 drainage area. Water demand management measures (DMM), also known as BMPs, are required to be evaluated in urban water management plans (UWMPs). The UWMP Act ([http://www.water.ca.gov/urbanwatermanagement/docs/water\\_code-10610-](http://www.water.ca.gov/urbanwatermanagement/docs/water_code-10610-)

[10656.pdf](#)) lists 14 DMMs for evaluation of which 7 take partly into consideration outdoor water use and could potentially reduce DWF. Water purveyors are required to describe and provide a schedule for implementation of each DMM. For DMMs not implemented or not scheduled for implementation in the next five years, water purveyors are required to evaluate each DMM, by considering DMMs that offer lower incremental costs than obtaining additional water supplies. This evaluation must take into account a cost-benefit analysis, economic factors, non-economic factors identify funding for any water supply projects providing water at higher unit cost than the DMM, and describe the legal authority of the and ability of the purveyor to work with other agencies in implementing the DMM. All water purveyors applying for state-funded grants or loans must comply with AB 1420. AB 1420 states a water purveyor must be deemed compliant with the DMMs before funding can be provided by the State.

The Permittees will evaluate existing DMMs implemented within their jurisdictional area and determine the need to supplement these efforts directly (for Permittees that are water purveyors) or through supplemental programs and/or cooperative efforts with local water purveyors as necessary to attain the 2010 MS4 Permit WQBEL for the MSAR TMDL.

DMMs with the potential to impact DWF are described below:

- **DMM A - Water Survey Programs for Single-Family Residential and Multi-Family Residential Customers.** This DMM requires water survey programs for both indoor and landscape water use. As determined, by the CUWCC the landscape water use portion of this measure involves offering landscape water conservation surveys to not less than 20 percent of single- and multi-family residential customers every two years, and completing surveys for not less than 15 percent of single- and multi-family residential customers within 10 years of program initiation. After the ten-year period, water purveyors will maintain the program at the same level as high water bill complaints or no less than 0.75 percent per year of single-family accounts. Landscape water surveys include, but are not limited to checking irrigation system and timers for maintenance and repairs, estimating landscape measured areas, developing customer irrigation schedules, reviewing the schedule with customers, provide information handouts to customers, and providing the customer with evaluation results and recommendations to save water.
- **DMM E - Large Landscape Conservation Programs.** As determined by the CUWCC, this measure consists of three parts focusing on commercial, industrial, and institutional customers with large landscape irrigation needs. CUWCC assumes the DMM will result in a 15 to 20 percent demand reduction for landscape irrigation for customers participating. The first part requires developing evapotranspiration (ET)-based water budgets for accounts with dedicated irrigation meters. Water budgets cannot equal more than an average of 70% of the annual average local reference ET per square foot of landscape area. Budgets must

be developed at an average rate of 9 percent per year over ten years, so budgets are developed for 90 percent of dedicated irrigation meter accounts within ten years of implementation. Upon completion, notices are required to be provided with each billing cycle showing the water consumed versus the budget. Within 6 years of implementation, the water provider must annually provide site-specific technical assistance to all customers exceeding their budgets by 20 percent or more. The second part involves providing large landscape surveys to not less than 15 percent of commercial, industrial, and institutional (CII) accounts with mixed-use meters within 10 years of program initiation. The third part requires offering financial incentives to support parts 1 and 2. Rebates for water conservation are provided by the Cities of Norco, Riverside, and Corona and WMWD for CII customers. Rebates offered by these water purveyors with the potential to reduce DWF are weather based irrigation controllers, central computer irrigation controllers, rotating spray nozzles retrofits, and high efficiency nozzle retrofits for large rotary sprinklers. Additionally, the City of Corona is conducting a pilot commercial turf removal program providing rebates based on the square feet of turf removed and replaced with California friendly landscaping.

- **DMM G - Public Information Programs.** This DMM requires implementation of public information programs with the goal informing customers about why water conservation is important, methods customers can use to conserve water, and to encourage water users to conserve water. The CUWCC has established minimum program requirements. Minimum requirements are:
  1. Contacts with the public at a minimum on a quarterly basis
  2. Contacts with the media at a minimum on a quarterly basis
  3. Maintenance of a website on a quarterly basis
  4. Describe the materials used to meet items 1 and 2.
  5. Annual budget for public information program
  6. Describe all other outreach programs.
  
- **DMM H - School Education Programs.** This DMM is designed to educate students regarding the importance of conserving water and to develop good water conservation habits at an early age. CUWCC requires purveyors to implement a school education program promoting water conservation and to work with both private and public schools in providing education materials, instructional assistance, and presentations about the local watershed. At a minimum the program should include the following:
  1. Curriculum materials provided by the water purveyor including confirmation from the materials meet State education framework requirements and are age appropriate.

2. Materials are distributed to grades K-6 students and if possible grades 7 - 12.
  3. Descriptions of the materials used to meet the minimum requirements.
  4. Provide an annual budget for the program
  5. Describe all other water purveyor educational programs.
- **DMM I – Conservation Programs for Commercial, Industrial, and Institutional Accounts.** The CUWCC defines this measure as requiring water purveyors to implement water conservation measures for CII customers to achieve a 10 percent water savings for the CII sector as a whole using 2008 as a baseline over a 10 year period. Purveyors can either implement measures on CUWCC’s list with documented savings or implement purveyor developed measures, but the purveyor must document how it is determining the savings. Measures may target indoor and/or outdoor water use.
  - **DMM K – Conservation Pricing.** CUWCC defines conservation pricing as providing economic incentives to customers to use water in an efficient manner. Acceptable types of rate plans include uniform, seasonal, tiered, and allocated based rates as long as purveyors can illustrate their rates meet CUWCC established formulas for determining if rates reflect conservation pricing. Conservation pricing has the potential to reduce outdoor water waste and subsequently DWF.
  - **DMM M – Water Waste Prohibition.** This measure requires water purveyors to prevent water waste for new developments and existing users and to develop water shortage response measures (see Water Conservation Ordinance in Element 1). For outdoor water use, this measure addresses irrigation inefficiencies and other outdoor water uses. Purveyors can meet these requirements by adopting water waste ordinances or developing terms of service prohibiting water waste. Prohibiting water waste and enforcing ordinances and terms of service agreements has the potential to reduce DWF.

## Water Quality Management Plan Revision

The Riverside County MS4 program is required to update its WQMP Guidance and Templates to incorporate low impact development (LID) practices to reduce runoff from new development and significant redevelopment activities. BMP emphasis will be on infiltration, capture and use, evapotranspiration, and treatment through use of biotreatment type BMPs. Revised WQMP documents are required for submittal to the RWQCB for review by July 29, 2011.

The revised WQMP program will provide water quality benefits, but these benefits will be somewhat limited for DWFs. For example, for new development projects the water quality benefit will be restricted to wet weather runoff since the pre-project

condition would not have produced any DWF. However, for significant redevelopment projects, the WQMP approval process will result in the introduction of LID practices to existing developed areas where DWF may be occurring. The presumption is that for these existing developments, stormwater management controls were not designed to today's standards and therefore some degree of runoff (e.g., from irrigation runoff) likely currently occurs under dry weather conditions. With significant redevelopment of the project site, an approved WQMP would require implementation of site design, source control, and/or structural control BMPs to address pollutants of concern by reducing runoff or treating runoff.

While water quality benefits are expected to be achieved for significant redevelopment projects, the pace at which such projects are expected to be completed in the MSAR watershed is likely to be slow given economic factors. Moreover, even if the rate of development activity increases in the near term, given the December 31, 2015 compliance date for meeting urban wasteload allocations for dry weather conditions in the dry season, the numbers of acres of redevelopment relative to the total numbers of acres where DWF likely occurs will be relatively small. However, over a much longer time horizon, e.g., 50-100 years, the cumulative benefits will be much greater.

**CBRP Implementation:** Revision of the WQMP Guidance is a MS4 permit requirement that will be completed by July 29, 2011. Implementation will occur after review by the RWQCB and submittal of a final WQMP Guidance, likely by 2012.

## Septic System Management

The Riverside County MS4 permit requires Permittees to develop an inventory of septic systems within their jurisdictions to be added to a database managed by County Environmental Health. Poorly operating septic systems can potentially lead to the discharge of pollutants to surface waters; however, the extent to which septic systems are currently a source of bacterial indicators in DWFs from the MS4 is unknown. Water quality impacts may be limited to groundwater impacts or surface water impacts that occur only during wet weather runoff events.

**CBRP Implementation:** CBRP implementation will include the following activities to evaluate the potential for septic systems to contribute bacterial indicators to the MS4 under dry weather conditions. Activities will include:

- *Develop a septic system inventory* – Permittees will complete necessary studies to develop a landscape level inventory of areas with concentrations of existing septic systems within their jurisdictions and provide information to County Environmental Health.
- *Evaluate potential water quality impacts* – Using the inventory, mapping the location of septic systems relative to MS4 facilities will be reviewed to evaluate the potential impact of septic systems to water quality under dry weather conditions as part of source assessment activities.

- *Conduct public education* – Public outreach programs to educate owners regarding how to properly maintain their on-site septic systems and distribute materials explaining recommended operation and maintenance schedules. The RCFC&WCD developed a septic system management brochure in 2009 that is currently being distributed through District and Permittee activities.
- *Conduct inspections and initiate enforcement, where appropriate* – As part of source assessment activities, where the potential for water quality impacts from septic systems is identified, conduct inspections of suspected leaking septic systems to determine the need for mitigation. Where appropriate, conduct enforcement actions to mitigate water quality concerns associated with septic systems.

## **Pet Waste Management**

The Permittees will evaluate the potential to implement BMPs that target areas where there is a high volume and concentration of pet waste, e.g., dog parks and kennels. BMPs targeted specifically to pet waste management (in association with a pathogen control ordinance) can support compliance at a local scale, where pet activities are concentrated.

***CBRP Implementation:*** Each MSAR Permittee will evaluate existing authority and programs to manage pet waste to identify opportunities to further target BMPs to manage pet waste. Where appropriate, MSAR Permittees will implement these BMPs. This effort will be coordinated with activities associated with the development of a bacterial indicator control ordinance (see Element 1). Activities will include:

## C.4 Element 3 - Inspection Criteria

Element 3 addresses the CBRP requirement for inclusion of specific inspection criteria to identify and manage the urban sources most likely causing exceedances of water quality objectives for indicator bacteria. Implementation of urban source evaluation activities provides the data required to determine the potential for an MS4 outfall or drainage area to discharge controllable sources of bacterial indicators. The results of this evaluation dictate next steps in the CBRP implementation process. This required element is incorporated into what is being termed the inspection program. The inspection program envisioned for the CBRP is a systematic campaign to conduct DWF and bacterial indicator source evaluation activities within each subwatershed draining to a watershed-wide compliance site. The foundation for this approach is defined by the USEP, prepared by the MSAR TMDL Task Force to satisfy a TMDL requirement (see Attachment A). USEP activities are currently being implemented by the MSAR TMDL Task Force; however, under the CBRP the pace and extent of these activities will be significantly increased to eliminate or reduce controllable urban sources of DWF.

As noted above, several of the specific BMPs included in Element 2 directly support the implementation of Element 3, e.g., development of the IDDE program and implementation of water conservation BMPs. Completion of these elements will help guide implementation of the inspection program. Conversely, implementation of the inspection program may impact how or where specific BMPs are implemented or how decisions are made regarding the need for additional ordinance authority. For example, over time the inspection program may identify a particular bacterial indicator or DWF source that can be managed better by the adoption of an ordinance.

The MSAR Permittees will implement urban source evaluation activities using a comprehensive, methodical approach that provides data to make informed decisions regarding the potential for an MS4 outfall or group of outfalls to discharge controllable sources of bacterial indicators. This approach relies on implementation activities associated with the inspection program element, which are described in the following sections.

### **Tier 1 Reconnaissance**

Tier 1 sites are defined as locations where urban sources of dry weather flow may directly discharge to a downstream watershed-wide compliance site. Some of the Tier 1 sites are at the same locations sampled as part of implementation of the USEP in 2007-2008. Additional Tier 1 sites have been included, where needed, to supplement existing information. Many of these Tier 1 locations may be dry, have minimal dry weather flow, or not be hydrologically connected to downstream waters. However, until a reconnaissance is completed, their potential to contribute controllable sources of bacterial indicators is unknown. It should be noted that:

- No Tier 1 sites have been included in the Temescal Creek subwatershed within the Cities of Corona and Norco because Temescal Creek is not listed as an impaired

waterbody for bacterial indicators and the flows from this subwatershed do not drain to any watershed-wide compliance monitoring location.

- None of the recommended Tier 1 sites are located in areas that have been determined to be hydrologically disconnected from impaired waterbodies during dry weather conditions (see hatched areas in Figures C-1 through C-3).

**Prioritization**

Based on the findings from Tier 1 data collection activities, MS4 drainage areas with potentially controllable urban sources of bacterial indicators will be prioritized based on factors such as the magnitude of bacterial indicator concentrations and results from source tracking analyses. Areas with human sources (as compared to anthropogenic sources such as domestic pets) will receive the highest priority for action, consistent with guidance originally developed in the USEP. Results of IDDE inspections at Major Outfalls will be used to supplement Tier 1 reconnaissance data during the prioritization step.

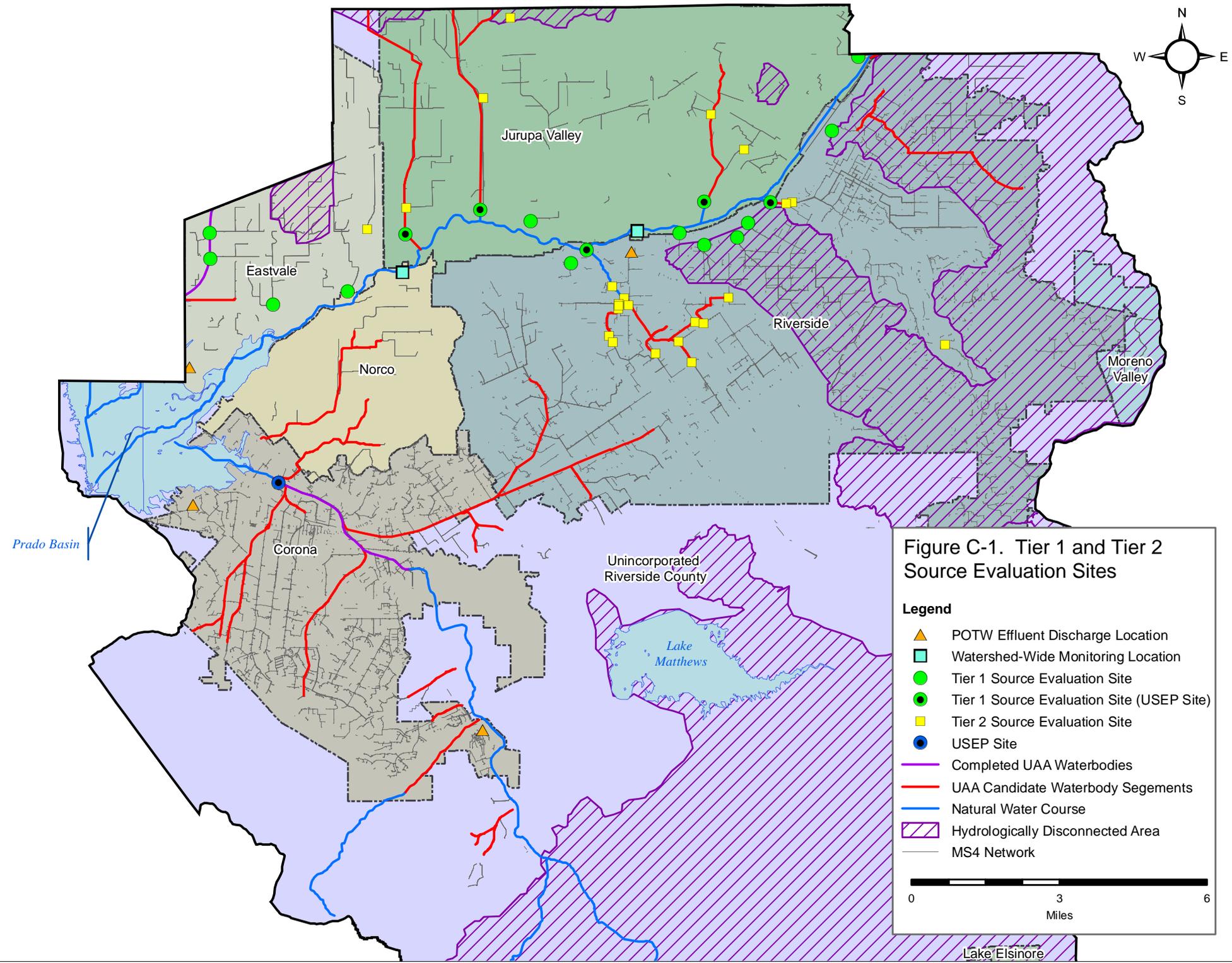
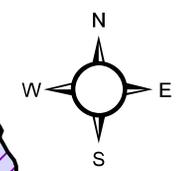
**Evaluate Mitigation Alternatives**

In order of priority, prioritized drainage areas will be further evaluated to identify non-structural or structural alternatives (or some combination of both) for mitigating controllable urban sources of bacterial indicators. As needed, this controllability assessment will include reconnaissance of Tier 2 sites and the use of IDDE methods to identify and evaluate alternatives. Tier 2 sites are tributary to Tier 1 outfalls. Tier 2 sites are predominantly locations where underground storm drains discharge to open channels. If a Tier 2 site is determined to be a potential contributor to non-compliance, additional inspection activities may occur to identify the nature and source of the dry weather flow and bacterial indicators and evaluate controllability.

Figures C-1 provides a map of recommended Tier 1 and Tier 2 source evaluation sites in each Riverside County jurisdiction. Table C-4 summarizes the number of Tier 1 and Tier 2 sites that are recommended for inspection for each Riverside County jurisdiction.

**Table C-4. Summary of Recommended Tier 1 and Tier 2 Sites in each Riverside County Jurisdiction**

Jurisdiction	Receiving Waters	Tier 1	Tier 2
Riverside	MSAR, Anza Park Drain, Box Springs Channel, Arlington Storm Channel, La Sierra Channel, Monroe Channel	8	17
Eastvale	MSAR Reach 3, Cucamonga Creek	4	1
Jurupa Valley	MSAR Reach 3, San Sevaine Channel, Sunnyslope Channel, Day Creek	5	5
Total		<b>17</b>	<b>23</b>



**Figure C-1. Tier 1 and Tier 2 Source Evaluation Sites**

In the evaluation of mitigation alternatives, it may be demonstrated that a MS4 Permittee would not require selection of a mitigation alternative for some drainage areas if it can be shown to be absent of DWF (i.e. hydrologically disconnected from the receiving waterbody), or if the source of bacterial indicators is found to come from non-urban sources. The following criteria establish guidelines for making these determinations from data collected in the inspection program:

- *Absence of DWF* - Determining the presence or absence of DWF at a given MS4 outfall is a critical step. Routine field observation and measurement (if possible) will be conducted during dry weather at varying times of day and on different days of the week for up to one year to develop sufficient data to characterize frequency/volume of DWFs at Tier 1 sites. Ideally, at least 10 field visits will be made over a one-year monitoring period. If the site is dry on at least 80 percent of the visits, the area upstream of the site can be assumed to have little to no impact on downstream water quality. While up to a year is recommended to collect flow data to look at seasonal variability, if a site is found to have persistent or substantial flow after only as few as three visits that occur over a short period of time, it can be presumed that the area draining to the site is a candidate for additional inspection activity to determine the source of the DWF. If a site is found to be typically dry after ten visits, then only occasional inspections would be required in the future to provide certainty that this conclusion remains correct. If a Tier 1 site indicates the need for additional inspection, then a similar level of effort may be necessary for Tier 2 sites tributary to the Tier 1 node. The IDDE program involves a similar approach, but instead focuses initial field observation and measurement at Major Outfalls screened for investigation via a desktop assessment. Major Outfalls are more likely to overlap with Tier 2 sites for the inspection program. Wherever possible, data gathered from the programs will be coordinated. For example, data from the IDDE program for Major Outfalls upstream of a prioritized Tier 1 site may overlap or supplement Tier 2 sites. Additional Tier 2 data for overlapping sites may not be required depending on temporal factors. Further, relevant IDDE data will be used to supplement assessments of bacterial water quality in Tier 1 watershed assessments.
- *Non-Urban DWF Sources* - If there are any non-urban sources of DWF to a MS4 site (such as from a well blow off, water transfer, or rising groundwater), it is important to identify the frequency and relative contribution of these flows. Generally, it is assumed that these non-urban DWF sources will have very low concentrations of bacterial indicators. However, it is possible that the physical nature of the discharge generates sufficient shear stress to mobilize bacterial indicators associated with sediment or biofilms present in the receiving water (as compared to the low shear stress generated from MS4 urban DWF due to their relatively low flow rates). Elimination of the non-urban source could also result in conditions that enhance decay of bacterial indicators in channel bottom sediments or biofilms, resulting in fewer bacterial indicators available for mobilization during wet weather events. If the non-urban flow source is suspected as the cause of downstream exceedances, a site-specific study would need to be implemented

to verify the assumption. The nature of such a study would be dictated by local circumstances, but could require a fairly complex sampling plan. If it is determined that the non-urban source is contributing to the exceedance of bacterial indicator water quality objectives, resolution of the issue may occur independent of the MS4 permit through supplemental RWQCB actions.

### Select Mitigation Alternatives

The ultimate goal of the inspection program is to select a mitigation alternative for DWFs or controllable urban bacterial indicator sources. As described above, systematically conducting source evaluation activities in the MS4 should identify which outfalls or channels are primary contributors of DWF and elevated bacterial indicators. The controllability of DWF is largely dependent on the source (specific vs. diffuse) and the controllability of bacterial indicators is largely dependent on the nature of the source, with urban sources likely to be more controllable than non-urban sources, e.g., wildlife. In many cases, it is likely that the elimination or significant reduction of the DWF will also mitigate elevated levels of bacterial indicators.

The MSAR Permittees will select a mitigation alternative to mitigate controllable urban bacterial indicator sources in each prioritized drainage area. The MS4 Permittees will consider alternatives such as:

- *Prevention (or source control)* – As noted above, if the source of the water or bacterial indicators can be specifically identified, then implementation of local control measures is the best approach for mitigating the problem. The controllability assessment consists of evaluating which BMPs or programmatic tools can be applied to the situation to reduce or eliminate the source. Such controls may include specific-source (e.g. illegal discharge) or general source control programs to manage septic systems, irrigation runoff, pet waste, homeless encampments or other potential sources. If a targeted solution is not available, then the controllability assessment may need to consider more costly solutions, as described below.
- *Retention Structures or Low Flow Diversions* – The implementation of relatively local structural controls to prevent the DWFs from impacting downstream waters may be an outcome of the controllability assessment. Options may range from the modification of existing retention structures to capture all DWFs to the construction of new retention facilities or construction of diversions to intercept the DWFs and conveying them to a treatment facility.
- *On-Site or Regional Treatment* – The use of on-site treatment facilities, e.g., bioretention (drainage area < 20 acres) and subsurface flow wetlands (drainage area < 1,000 acres), is largely dependent on drainage area, facility sizing criteria and land availability. The practicability of these systems will have to be considered on a site-specific and subwatershed specific basis. In many cases, implementation of a regional treatment solution such as conveying DWF to a regional storage basin requires successful completion of a UAA for upstream waters, which also provides

greater flexibility where the regional treatment may be sited. The MS4 permit for Riverside County requires the completion of a system-wide evaluation to identify retrofit opportunities of existing stormwater conveyances. Development of this information coupled with the establishment of the County's Watershed Action Plan (WAP) will support the identification and evaluation of structural solutions (see Attachment C-5).

### **Inspection Criteria Summary**

CBRP Element 3 - Inspection Criteria implements the USEP to its fullest extent, building on source evaluation work already completed in the watershed. Execution of this element is the key to the success of CBRP implementation. Understanding the localized nature of DWFs and associated bacterial indicators provides the basis for determining where BMPs need to be targeted (Element 2 - Specific BMPs, Attachment C-3), whether there is a need for additional ordinance authority (Element 1 - Ordinances, Attachment C-2), and where regional or outfall-specific structural controls may be necessary (Element 4 - Regional Treatment, Attachment C-5).

## **C.5 Element 4 - Regional Treatment (Structural Controls)**

CBRP Element 4 focuses on the planning, design and construction of structural BMPs to mitigate controllable sources of dry weather flow and bacterial indicators. Structural BMP projects may be regional (address controllable sources from multiple outfalls) or outfall-specific. Where appropriate to support implementation of a structural solution, Use Attainability Analyses (UAA) will be completed. In addition, the implementation of structural BMP projects will occur in a manner that is consistent with watershed planning-related activities required by the MS4 permit, specifically development of a Watershed Action Plan (WAP) which includes revision to Riverside County's 2005 BMP Siting Study.

### **Structural Controls**

Large portions of the MSAR watershed are already hydrologically disconnected during a typical dry season day from the waters impaired by bacterial indicators subject to TMDL compliance (see hatched areas in Figures C-1 through C-3). Therefore, for the most part the emphasis of CBRP Element 4 will be focused on the portions of the MSAR watershed closest to the Santa Ana River in Riverside County.

It is too soon to propose specific locations for new structural BMP facilities given the lack of knowledge regarding the best locations to site such facilities (e.g., regional vs. outfall specific). Also, too little is known regarding urban sources of DWF and the relative bacterial indicator concentrations associated with these sources. Implementation of the Element 3 components of CBRP Step 1 has been designed to address this knowledge void. The key outcome from this effort will be the evaluation and selection of solutions to mitigate controllable urban sources of bacterial indicators. Where a structural solution is identified, then responsible jurisdictions (those Permittees responsible for drainage to the targeted outfall or outfalls) will implement CBRP Steps 2 and 3 for the project site.

It is expected that the outcomes from implementation of CBRP Step 1 will result in the identification of at least some structural BMPs to manage controllable urban bacterial indicator sources. The potential locations for a number of structural BMPs have been identified already by the Riverside County 2005 BMP Siting Study (to be updated as part of the development of the County's WAP, see below). Under CBRP Step 1 the Permittees will use this work to support evaluation of alternatives for implementing structural BMPs to mitigate a controllable urban source.

Structural controls identified under CBRP Step 1 are developed in accordance with the CIP Process (see Section 2.1, Figure 2-2.). Completion of the CIP Process is intended to result in fully-constructed structural BMPs (Steps 2 and 3 of the CBRP implementation process). However, it is possible that during the design and permitting phases under CBRP Step 2 a determination will be made that the planned structural BMP project is infeasible. If such a finding is made, the Permittees will go

back to CBRP Step 1 and re-evaluate mitigation alternatives for the affected drainage area to identify a new approach for achieving compliance.

If a UAA is needed to ensure the success of a structural BMP project, UAA development will commence in parallel to the design and permitting process (see additional information, below). Completion of structural BMP projects is subject to governing and regulatory approvals as well as funding. Accordingly, the length of time from project identification to construction completion will be highly variable. Annual reporting will document the status of each identified structural BMP project.

### **Watershed Planning**

The Riverside County MS4 permit requires the development of a WAP within three years of the permit adoption (by January 29, 2013). The WAP is to include the following (MS4 permit Section XI.B.3):

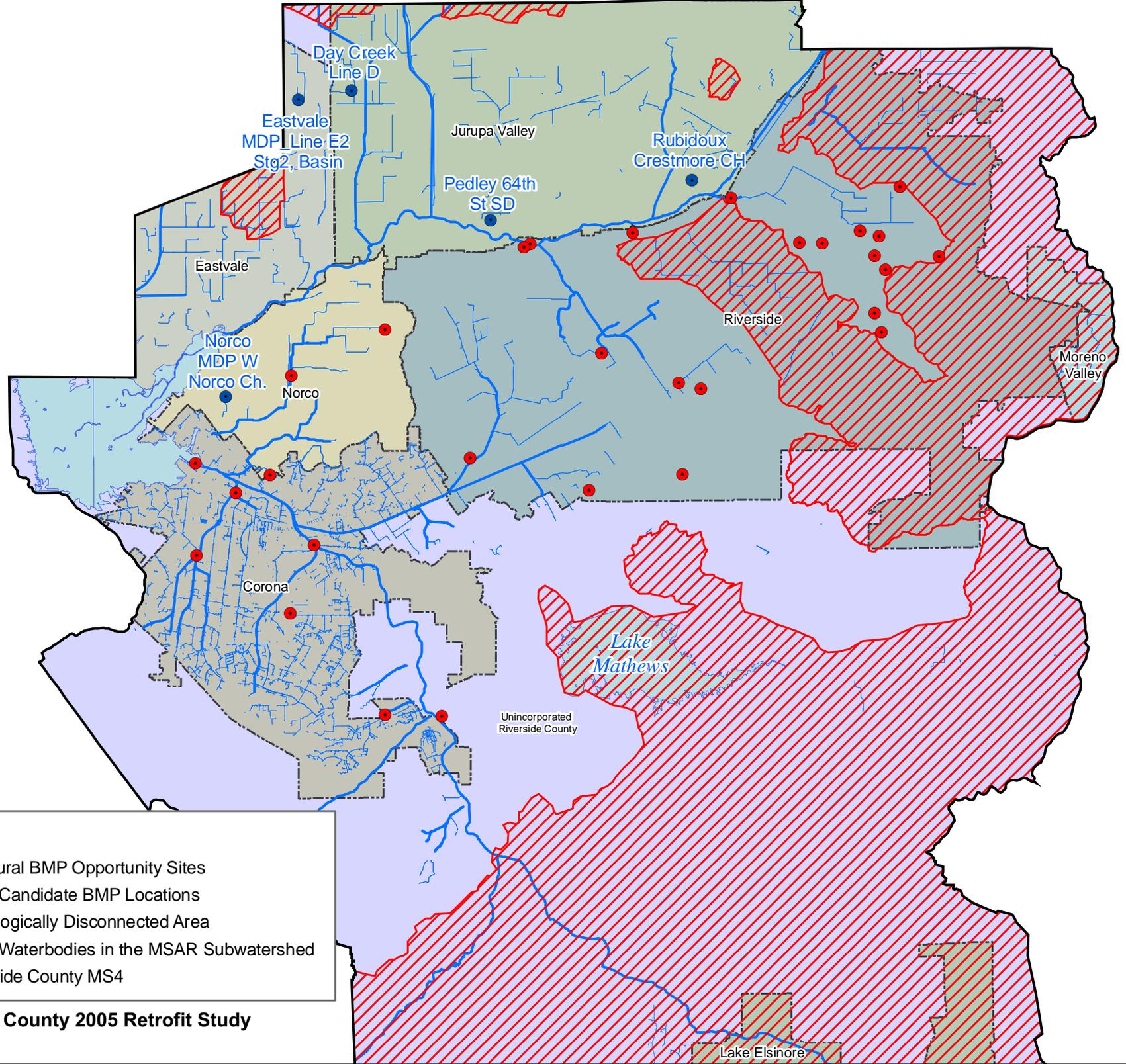
“...develop recommendations for specific retrofit studies of MS4, parks and recreational areas that incorporate opportunities for addressing TMDL Implementation Plans, hydromodification from urban runoff and LID implementation.”

RCFC&WCD completed a BMP Siting Study for the Santa Ana MS4 permit area in 2005. This study identified candidate properties that could be retrofitted to include structural BMPs to capture DWF and wet weather runoff (Figure C-2). This study screened the candidate sites to prioritize implementation of potential projects. Structural BMP retrofit opportunities identified in the BMP Siting Study could be used to provide structural BMP solutions where the activities completed under CBRP Step 1 show that a structural solution is the best alternative to reduce or eliminate controllable urban bacterial indicator sources from the MS4.

The BMP Siting Study will be reviewed as part of implementation of the WAP and as part of the following MS4 permit requirement applicable to permittee-owned facilities (MS4 permit Section XIV.F):

“Each Permittee shall examine opportunities to retrofit existing MS4 facilities with water quality protection measures, where feasible.”

This review is timely given that by 2013 substantial information from the source evaluation activities (Element 3) will have been developed and the need for structural BMP solutions will be better known.



**Legend**

-  Structural BMP Opportunity Sites
-  Other Candidate BMP Locations
-  Hydrologically Disconnected Area
-  Major Waterbodies in the MSAR Subwatershed
-  Riverside County MS4

**Figure C-2. Riverside County 2005 Retrofit Study Recommendations**

## Use Attainability Analyses

The development of a UAA may become an integral part of the implementation of a structural BMP solution. If so, the Permittees will approach the RWQCB regarding the need to conduct specific UAAs. The following sections provide information regarding the development of UAAs in the MSAR watershed.

All waterbodies in the MSAR watershed are presumptively classified as REC-1 protected waterbodies. This means that all waterbodies in the watershed must meet the REC-1 water quality objectives regardless of their characteristics and ability to support REC-1 type activity. The REC-1 presumption may be inappropriate for a number of reasons including channel physical attributes and flow volume. To establish more appropriate recreational uses that recognize these factors, a UAA is required. As defined by the Basin Plan, the purpose of a UAA is “to evaluate the physical, biological, chemical, and hydrological conditions of a river to determine what specific beneficial uses the waterbody can support.” For a UAA to be implemented it must receive regulatory approval, from the RWQCB, State Board and EPA Region 9.

The outcome of a UAA could be removal of either the REC-1 use or removal of both REC-1 and REC-2 uses. Either outcome would substantially change the basis for determining compliance with water quality objectives and compliance with bacterial indicator TMDL urban wasteload allocations. For example, if the waterbody is not designated REC-1, then the applicable bacterial indicator water quality objectives are much less stringent than would be the case if the REC-1 use was applicable. These changes could greatly reduce the number of locations where implementation of water quality control activities is necessary to achieve compliance. Modification of recreational uses would also provide additional flexibility for deciding *where* implementation of a water quality control measure is needed. For example, if a structural BMP is needed to meet compliance at a downstream site, the number of potential locations where that facility can be sited is increased.

Section 1.2.2 described ongoing work by the RWQCB to adopt a Basin Plan amendment to modify recreational uses and associated water quality objectives. The RWQCB is developing this Basin Plan revision in collaboration with the SWQSTF. Adoption of the Basin Plan amendment, planned for fall 2011, will include the establishment of a UAA for the following Riverside County waterbodies:

- *Temescal Creek* – Reach 1, from approximately 100 feet downstream of Cota Street (33°53'29.904"N, 117°34'12.432"W) to the Arlington Drain confluence; remove REC-1 use.
- *Temescal Creek* – Reach 2, 91 from the confluence with Arlington Drain (33° 52' 51.204"N, 117° 33' 15.732"W) to approximately 1,400 feet upstream of Magnolia Avenue (33° 52' 1.992"N, 117° 31' 30.108"W); remove REC-1 and REC-2 uses.

### *UAA Template*

The Temescal Creek UAA will be used as the template for all future UAAs developed in Riverside County. These UAAs will include the following key sections:

- *Waterbody Description*, including candidate reach coordinates and channel characterization;
- *Eligibility Analysis*, including existing and probable future recreational use based on water quality data and known recreational use activity; and
- *UAA Factor Evaluation*, which provides the justification for modifying recreational uses based on federal and state regulatory requirements.

The recreational use survey database developed by the SWQSTF will be used to support development of UAAs. This database was developed using remote camera technology coupled with occasional site visits to document area recreational activity at 17 locations in the Santa Ana River watershed (Table C-4). Eight of these sites are located in the MSAR watershed; several are in Riverside County.

With the exception of recreational use activity data, which is part of the eligibility analysis, most of the information required for each of the UAA sections is relatively simple to compile. It is expected that the existing large recreational use survey image dataset will provide a basis for predicting the level of recreational use activity in unsurveyed waterbodies based on similarities in waterbody characteristics. As a result, for some future UAAs it may not be necessary to collect additional recreational use survey data. However, if unusual site-specific conditions exist, e.g., in areas where a waterbody is within a residential area or near a school and access to the channel is not restricted, there may be some concern with relying solely on the recreational use survey image database to document the existing or potential for recreational use activities in the waterbody. In these situations, it is understood that the RWQCB may require the collection of site-specific use survey data.

The RWQCB's decision to approve a UAA and modify recreational uses is largely based on an evaluation of the potential risk of human exposure to bacterial indicators in a particular waterbody. The potential risk is related to the characteristics of the waterbody and the likelihood of water contact recreational activities occurring given those characteristics. For example, where water contact recreation is likely to occur, such as a natural waterbody with sufficient flow, the risk of exposure is higher than where such recreation is unlikely, e.g. in a vertical-walled concrete-lined engineered channel.

Results from SWQSTF surveys, which are now stored in the recreational use survey image database (currently available at SAWPA), show that channel characteristics are a strong indicator of existing and potential recreational use activity in the Santa Ana River watershed (however, ultimately it is up to the RWQCB to determine applicable uses).

**Table C-5. Summary of Recreational Use Surveys Completed by SWQSTF in the Santa Ana River Watershed**

Representative Photo of Site	Summary of Recreational Use Survey
	<p><b>Greenville Banning Channel at Adams Avenue Bridge</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Concrete lined, vertical walled channel</li> <li>■ Land use: Residential and open space</li> <li>■ Period of Survey: 11/17/05 – 1/3/06</li> <li>■ Images collected: 2552</li> <li>■ Water contact recreational use events: 0</li> </ul>
	<p><b>Greenville Banning Channel at Pedestrian Bridge</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Concrete lined, vertical walled channel</li> <li>■ Land use: Residential and vacant natural land</li> <li>■ Period of Survey: 7/7/2005 – 7/27/2005</li> <li>■ Images Collected: 45</li> <li>■ Water contact recreational use events: 0</li> </ul>
	<p><b>Santa Ana Delhi Channel at Mesa Ave</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Concrete lined, vertical walled channel</li> <li>■ Land use: Residential / open space and recreation</li> <li>■ Period of Survey 6/20/2005 – 7/13/2006</li> <li>■ Images Collected: 21,284</li> <li>■ Water contact recreational use events: 0</li> </ul>
	<p><b>Cucamonga Creek at RP1</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Concrete lined, vertical walled channel</li> <li>■ Land use: Industrial/commercial and open space/recreation</li> <li>■ Period of Survey 10/2/2007 – 10/10/2008</li> <li>■ Images Collected: 27,122</li> <li>■ Water contact recreational use events: 0</li> </ul>
	<p><b>Anza Channel at John Bryant Park</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Concrete lined, vertical walled channel</li> <li>■ Land use: Residential and open space/ public park</li> <li>■ Period of Survey 6/6/2008 – 9/29/2009</li> <li>■ Images Collected: 20,386</li> <li>■ Water contact recreational use events: 2</li> </ul>
	<p><b>Demens Channel</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Concrete lined, vertical walled channel</li> <li>■ Land use: Residential and open space</li> <li>■ Period of Survey 2/1/2008 – 2/9/2009</li> <li>■ Images Collected: 21,382</li> <li>■ Water contact recreational use events: 0</li> </ul>

**Table C-5. Summary of Recreational Use Surveys Completed by SWQSTF in the Santa Ana River Watershed**

Representative Photo of Site	Summary of Recreational Use Survey
	<p><b>Cucamonga Creek at Hellman Ave (Upstream)</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Trapezoidal channel, concreted lined wall and bottom</li> <li>■ Land use: Agriculture</li> <li>■ Period of Survey 11/1/2005 – 11/1/2006</li> <li>■ Images Collected: 2,546</li> <li>■ Water contact recreational use events: 0</li> </ul>
	<p><b>Temescal at Main Street</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Trapezoidal channel, concreted lined wall and bottom</li> <li>■ Land use: Industrial / Commercial</li> <li>■ Period of Survey 7/26/2005 – 8/4/2005</li> <li>■ Images Collected: 513</li> <li>■ Water contact recreational use events: 1</li> </ul>
	<p><b>Temescal at City of Corona WWTP No. 2</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Trapezoidal channel, concreted lined wall and bottom</li> <li>■ Land use: Industrial / Commercial</li> <li>■ Period of Survey 11/1/2005 – 11/1/2006</li> <li>■ Images Collected: 10,653</li> <li>■ Water contact recreational use events: 1</li> </ul>
	<p><b>Santa Ana Delhi Channel at Sunflower Ave</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Trapezoidal channel, rip rap side slopes, natural bottom</li> <li>■ Land use: Commercial/ residential/ school</li> <li>■ Period of Survey 7/7/2005 – 7/9/2006</li> <li>■ Images Collected: 20,978</li> <li>■ Water contact recreational use events: 1</li> </ul>
	<p><b>Cucamonga Creek at Hellman Ave (Downstream)</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Trapezoidal channel, rip rap side slopes, natural bottom</li> <li>■ Land use: Agriculture</li> <li>■ Period of Survey 7/26/2005 – 11/1/2006</li> <li>■ Images Collected: 16,678</li> <li>■ Water contact recreational use events: 8</li> </ul>
	<p><b>Perris Valley Channel at Moreno Valley WRF</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Trapezoidal channel / concrete lined side slope and concrete/natural bottom</li> <li>■ Land use: Industrial/ Residential/school and open space/public park</li> <li>■ Period of Survey 10/3/2007 – 10/10/2008</li> <li>■ Images Collected: 21,962</li> <li>■ Water contact recreational use events: 0</li> </ul>

**Table C-5. Summary of Recreational Use Surveys Completed by SWQSTF in the Santa Ana River Watershed**

Representative Photo of Site	Summary of Recreational Use Survey
	<p><b>SAR at Anaheim</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Trapezoidal channel, rip rap side slopes, natural bottom</li> <li>■ Land use: Industrial/ commercial and open space/public park</li> <li>■ Period of Survey 10/2/2007 – 10/5/2008</li> <li>■ Images Collected: 25,904</li> <li>■ Water contact recreational use events: 0</li> </ul>
	<p><b>Chino Creek at Central Ave</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Trapezoidal channel / rip rap slope and bottom</li> <li>■ Land use: Industrial / commercial</li> <li>■ Period of Survey 12/19/2007 – 5/23/2009</li> <li>■ Images Collected: 23,913</li> <li>■ Water contact recreational use events: 10</li> </ul>
	<p><b>San Diego Creek at Irvine</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Trapezoidal channel / natural side slopes and bottom</li> <li>■ Land use: Residential/commercial/school and open space</li> <li>■ Period of Survey 6/10/2008 – 9/30/2009</li> <li>■ Images Collected: 24,801</li> <li>■ Water contact recreational use events: 4</li> </ul>
	<p><b>Santa Ana Delhi Channel at Newport Bay</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Natural Channel</li> <li>■ Land use: Open space / commercial</li> <li>■ Period of Survey 6/20/2005 – 6/6/2006</li> <li>■ Images Collected: 20,203</li> <li>■ Water contact recreational use events: 2</li> </ul>
	<p><b>SAR at Yorba Linda</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Natural Channel</li> <li>■ Land use: Residential / open space</li> <li>■ Period of Survey 4/11/2006 – 4/6/2007</li> <li>■ Images Collected: 12,645</li> <li>■ Water contact recreational use events: 0</li> </ul>

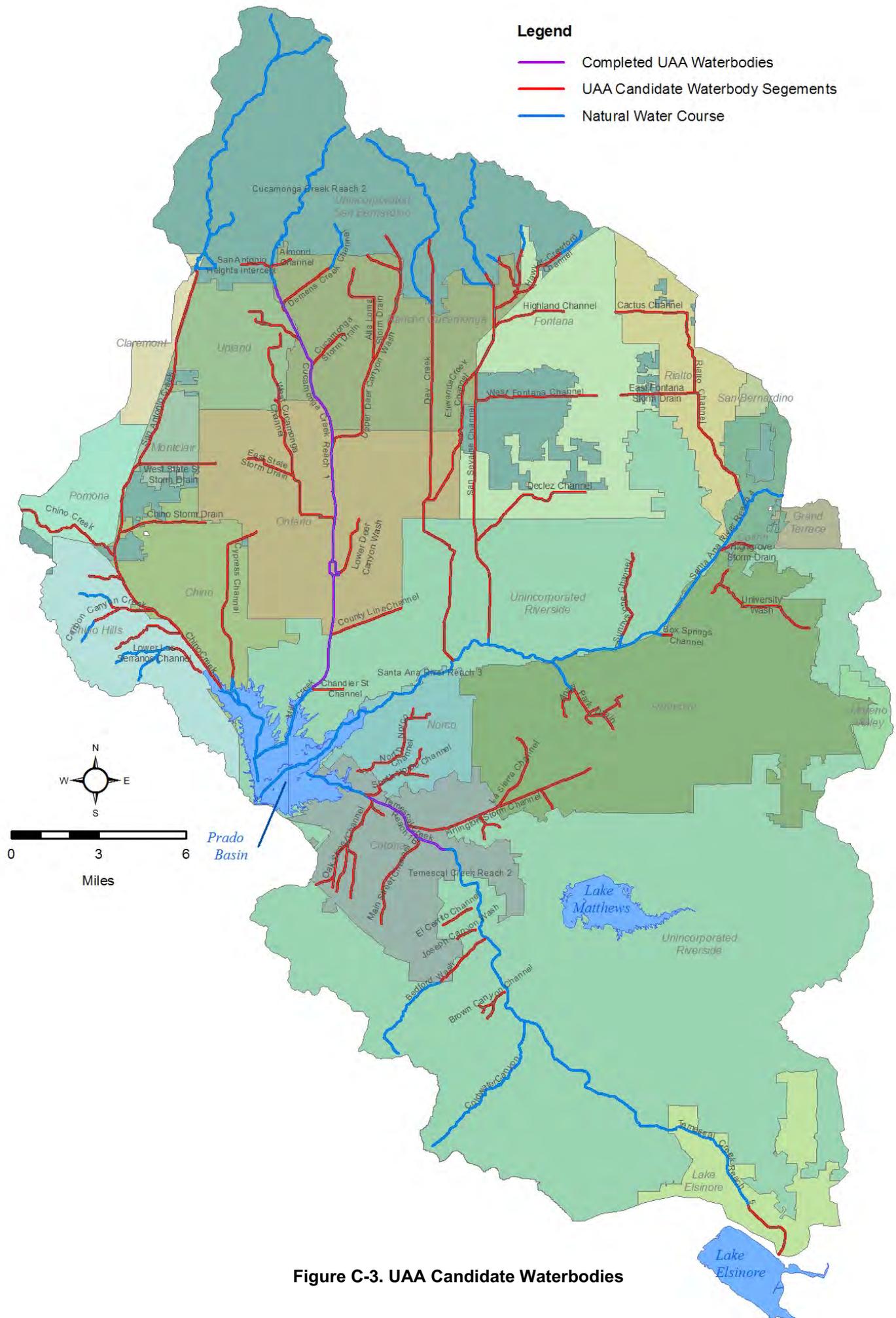
- *Vertical-walled, Concrete-lined Channels* - Based on over 93,000 images collected from all seasons and different areas of the Santa Ana River watershed, no water contact recreation has been observed in vertical-walled channels. Accordingly, no exposure risk has been identified and a UAA could result in the removal of both REC-1 and REC-2 uses.
- *Trapezoidal-walled, Concrete-lined bottom Channels* - Based on over 35,000 images collected from all seasons and different areas of the watershed, only one contact with water was observed – a person kneeling at the edge of a low flow channel

contacted the water on two occasions for a period of less than 30 minutes. In these situations, a UAA could result in the removal of the REC-1 use.

- *Trapezoidal-walled, Natural bottom Channels* – Based on over 113,000 images, only a few images (23) showed some type of contact with the water, but limited to shallow wading, e.g., Chino Creek at Central Avenue where 10 observations occurred. The outcome of the UAA in these situations is unclear and site-specific recreational use survey may need to be collected.
- *Natural Stream Channels* – Three natural or somewhat natural stream channels have been surveyed (Santa Ana Delhi Channel at Newport Bay and Reach 2 of the Santa Ana River at Yorba Linda and Anaheim). Based on over 32,000 images, only two observations of contact with the water were observed and these occurrences were limited to hand/water contact at the Santa Ana Delhi Channel at Newport Bay site.

#### ***UAA Candidate Segments***

Figure C-3 provides an overview of where UAAs have been completed in the MSAR watershed or where they could potentially be developed in the future to support a structural BMP project. Table C-5 summarizes the potential UAAs within each drainage area and jurisdiction in Riverside County. The identification of these potential UAAs is based on the channel characteristics and UAA findings already completed by the SWQSTF.



**Figure C-3. UAA Candidate Waterbodies**

**Table C-6. UAA Candidate Waterbodies in Riverside County**

Primary Jurisdiction of Waterbody	UAA Candidate Waterbody	Waterbody Length (miles)
Corona	Border Channel	1.05
	Corp Yard Channel	0.54
	Lincoln Ave Channel	1.93
	Mabey Canyon Channel	0.69
	Main Street Channel	3.63
	Mangular Channel	0.71
	Norco Channel	1.04
	Oak Street Channel	3.75
Norco	North Norco Channel	4.29
	South Norco Channel	2.75
Riverside	Anza Park Drain	5.47
	Arizona Channel	0.92
	Arlington Storm Channel	6.89
	Box Springs Creek	0.33
	La Sierra Channel	3.02
	University Wash Channel	5.41
Eastvale	Chandler Street Channel	1.04
Jurupa Valley	Day Creek <sup>1</sup>	5.02
	Highgrove Storm Drain	0.17
	San Sevaine Channel <sup>1</sup>	4.69
	Declez Channel <sup>1</sup>	1.11
	Sunnyslope Channel	3.04
Unincorporated	Bedford Wash	2.14
	Brown Canyon Channel	2.00
	Day Creek <sup>1</sup>	1.10
	El Cerrito Channel	1.2
	Highgrove Storm Drain	0.97
	Home Gardens	1.61
	Joseph Canyon Wash	0.78

<sup>1</sup> - Upper portions located in San Bernardino County

***UAA Development Process***

RWQCB staff will be consulted prior to initiating development of any UAA. It is anticipated that development of a UAA would rely on the following process:

- Conduct meeting with RWQCB to obtain agreement on the following:
  - UAA to be developed, e.g., upper and lower boundaries;

- Minimum water quality data requirements;
  - Requirements for additional recreational survey data collection (if any); and
  - UAA structure and content, i.e., is the existing UAA template adequate or are there any site-specific issues that need to be addressed.
- Collect any necessary data (time period could range from a few weeks or months to a year if substantial recreational use survey data is required).
  - Submit draft UAA to the RWQCB for review and comment. Draft UAA will be in the same format as the existing Temescal Creek UAA.
  - Prepare revised UAA to the RWQCB for adoption as a Basin Plan amendment.

# Attachment D

## Existing Urban Source Control Program

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## **D.1 Introduction**

This section documents existing MS4 permit activities that have been implemented by the Riverside County MS4 permittees. Emphasis was on non-structural and structural BMP actions implemented or completed since January 1, 2005 (year of MSAR Bacterial Indicator TMDL adoption) that are providing water quality benefits to the MSAR watershed.

## D.2 Non-Structural BMPs

This section describes all completed non-structural BMP program activities implemented by Riverside County MS4 permittees since adoption of the MSAR Bacterial Indicator TMDL by the RWQCB in 2005. Program areas evaluated for the potential to reduce bacterial indicators under dry weather conditions include:

- Water Quality Management Plan Implementation
- Public Education and Outreach Targeting Bacterial Indicators
- Ordinance Adoption
- Inspection and Enforcement activities
- Illicit Discharge/Spill Response
- Street Sweeping
- MS4 Facility Inspection and Cleaning Programs
- Water Conservation Programs

### Water Quality Management Plan Implementation

WQMPs are prepared for new development or significant redevelopment projects classified as category or priority projects. This section examines WQMPs completed for projects which have resulted in the implementation of BMPs expected to reduce contributions of bacterial indicator loads above and beyond what would have been expected from the area if the project had not been implemented.

Using WQMP records provided by the Riverside County MS4 area-wide program, projects were screened for those approved after 2005 and designated as “significant redevelopment” projects. The presumption is that for existing developments, stormwater management controls were not designed to today’s standards and therefore some degree of runoff (e.g., from over-irrigation) likely occurred under dry weather conditions prior to redevelopment. With significant redevelopment of the project site, an approved WQMP would require implementation of site design, source control, and/or structural control BMPs to address pollutants of concern by reducing runoff or treating runoff. New development projects completed since 2005 were not included in this analysis because these projects replace previously undeveloped land that likely did not generate any runoff under dry weather conditions. Table D-1 describes the number of approved WQMPs for significant redevelopment projects and the total project development area in each Riverside County jurisdiction. A brief description of the type of BMPs implemented for each project is provided.

**Table D-1. Summary of WQMPs approved for significant redevelopment projects, Riverside County, 2005-2009**

Jurisdiction	No. of Projects	Total Acres	Description
Corona	1	1.2	Infiltration trench BMPs incorporated into this project
Norco	2	2.4	Two significant redevelopment projects included two BMPs: media filter drain inserts and vegetative swales
City of Riverside	NA	NA	NA: Provided data lacked sufficient information to determine project type and acreage
Riverside County	4	8.5	Projects included infiltration and bioswale BMPs
<b>Total</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>12.1</b>	

## Public Education and Outreach

The MS4 permittees collectively participate in public education and outreach efforts that promote stormwater pollution prevention. Although outreach events may not specifically focus on reducing bacterial indicator levels, events which highlight the elimination or reduction of debris or pollutants from entering the MS4 or runoff under dry weather conditions have the potential to reduce bacterial indicator levels.

The permittees implement the following specific public education BMPs and activities to reduce pathogen sources:

- *What's the Scoop* and *After the Storm* brochures address the need to pick up animal waste and to dispose of it properly;
- Through a partnership between Riverside and San Bernardino Counties, the RCFC&WCD sponsored a 1-hour episode of a PBS show for kids called *Curiosity Quest*. The episode focused on many of the impacts that residential activities can have on stormwater including improper pet waste disposal;
- A school activity book and *Fancy Fin* presentation discuss the proper disposal of pet waste;
- The *Keep Our Water Clean* DVD addresses the topic of the proper disposal of pet waste and the negative impacts to County waterways;
- The *Only Rain Down the Storm Drain* adult stormwater presentation discusses proper disposal of pet waste and includes a DVD showing how significant this problem can be. The film illustrates how waterways are impacted if pet waste is not recovered. In the DVD film, a small yellow duck represents bacteria in an unrecovered pet waste pile. The film continues to follow the duck, and other ducks, as it moves to the storm drain and finally to a receiving water;

- Construction, municipal, industrial/commercial and new development training focuses on the need to address pathogen sources within the watershed;
- RCFC&WCD contracts with S. Groner and Associates to distribute pet waste information in pet stores, veterinarian clinics, kennels and pet grooming facilities;
- Coordination with Riverside County Animal Control Department and private “no kill” pet shelters occurs to distribute *What’s the Scoop* and *After the Storm* brochures to families adopting pets at these shelters;
- Distributed the Landscape and Gardening brochure;
- Distributed the newly completed *Tips for Maintaining a Septic Tank System* brochure (information is also included in the County’s *Septic Tank Guide Booklet*);
- Participation in the Santa Ana River watershed clean-up event;
- Pollution Prevention Week is recognized in an information flyer and is released every September. Along with other useful BMP guidelines, the flyer has an article that specifically addresses pet waste titled *What’s the Scoop...Tips for a Healthy Pet and A Healthier Environment*;
- The Earth Day flyer, released every April, offers user-friendly suggestions for reducing the use of chemicals, considering integrated pest management in gardening, and understanding problems with unrecovered pet droppings;
- The *Environmental Calendar* reminds residents to always pick-up animal waste due to the harmful effects that bacteria cause in local waters; and
- RCFC&WCD does not allow the disposal of pet waste or other trash within its facilities. Signage has been installed at access gates to discourage illegal dumping and encourage the reporting thereof. At the start of the program, RCFC&WCD purchased "Dogipots" (containers that hold pet waste bags) and installed them in County Parks. Upkeep and additional purchases of Dogipots are the responsibility of County Park staff. RCFC&WCD also purchased pet leash tags with the stormwater 800 Toll Free number and the *Only Rain Down the Storm Drain* message imprinted.

Information for public education and outreach events such as those mentioned above are collected on a County-wide basis. RCFC&WCD collects this information for reporting in its Annual Report. Most of the recorded events educate the public on general stormwater pollution prevention by providing information at public events (Table D-2). The number of “impressions” is an estimated number of persons contacted through personal communication, audience attendance, or brochure distribution.

**Table D-2. Public education and outreach activities for Riverside County MS4 Program, 2005-2009 (IMP = Impressions)**

Jurisdiction	2005		2006		2007		2008		2009		Comments
	No. of Events	No. of IMPs	No. of Events	No. of IMPs	No. of Events	No. of IMPs	No. of Events	No. of IMPs	No. of Events	No. of IMPs	
Corona	1	1,500	3	1,160	7	1,310	1	400	2	500	Outreach events included health and safety fairs, Corona Public Works Day, and water conservation events.
Norco	0	0	1	360	0	0	0	0	1	100	Outreach events included a community festival and equestrian event.
Riverside	6	2,800	2	1,460	5	530	3	800	7	750	Outreaches included events such as cleanup days, Humane Society events, community park revitalization efforts, Special Olympics, 5K run/walk event, and safety fairs.
County of Riverside	1	2,276	7	8,366	8	2,812	13	10,153	14	13,046	Outreach events included youth related events, July 4 <sup>th</sup> celebrations, and senior events,
RCFC&WCD	16	NR	12	8,220	20	3,163	20	4,880	13	3,860	Outreach events included water festivals, recycling programs, school presentations, community festivals, health fairs, and home & garden expos.
<b>Total</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>6,576</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>19,566</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>7,815</b>	<b>37</b>	<b>16,233</b>	<b>37</b>	<b>18,256</b>	

NR = Not recorded

## Ordinance Adoption

MS4 permittees have adopted ordinances which provide legal authority to control non-permitted discharges from entering MS4 facilities. In addition, some permittees have adopted ordinances which directly reduce the volume of runoff under dry weather conditions, e.g., water conservation ordinances (Table D-3). These ordinances will provide potential reductions in DWFs that may convey bacterial indicators to MS4 facilities and receiving waters.

**Table D-3. Existing water conservation ordinances within the Riverside County MSAR watershed**

Jurisdiction	Ordinance Name	Applicability	Key Prohibitions
City of Corona	Water Conservation	City of Corona	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Any irrigation water leaving the property</li> <li>• Failure to repair a water leak</li> <li>• Use of water to wash any impervious surfaces</li> </ul>
City of Norco	Water Conservation	City of Norco	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Failure to repair a water leak</li> </ul>
City of Riverside	Water Conservation	Most of City of Riverside	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Any irrigation water leaving the property</li> </ul>
Jurupa Community Services District	Water Conservation	Jurupa and Eastvale	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Any irrigation water leaving the property</li> <li>• Failure to repair a water leak</li> <li>• Use of water to wash any impervious surfaces</li> <li>• Scheduling of spray irrigation between the hours of 8:00 am and 8:00 pm</li> </ul>
Western Municipal Water District	Water Conservation	Part of City of Riverside and portions of unincorporated Riverside County	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Any irrigation water leaving the property</li> <li>• Adjust irrigation timers in accordance with weather conditions and landscape requirements</li> <li>• Open hoses shall be equipped with automatic, positive shut-off nozzles</li> <li>• Failure to repair a water leak</li> <li>• Use of water to wash any impervious surfaces</li> </ul>
County of Riverside	Water Efficient Landscaping	Countywide – properties with greater than 1 acre of landscaping	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Any irrigation water leaving the property</li> </ul>

The Cities of Corona, Norco, and Riverside have also adopted stormwater ordinances which provide the legal authority to prevent the following types of discharges to MS4 facilities:

- Sewage to MS4 facilities
- Wash water resulting from hosing or cleaning of gas stations and other types of automobile stations
- Discharges resulting from the cleaning, repair, or maintenance of equipment, machinery or facilities, including motor vehicles, concrete mixing equipment, and portable toilet servicing

- Wash water from mobile auto detailing and washing, steam and pressure cleaning, and carpet cleaning
- Water from cleaning of municipal, industrial, and commercial areas including parking lots, streets, sidewalks, driveways, patios, plazas, work yards and outdoor eating or drinking areas, containing chemicals or detergents and without prior sweeping
- Runoff from material storage areas or uncovered receptacles that contain chemicals, fuels, grease, oil or other hazardous materials
- Discharges of runoff from the washing of toxic materials from paved or unpaved areas
- Discharges from pool or fountain water containing chlorine, biocides, or other chemicals; pool filter backwash containing debris and chlorine
- Pet waste, yard waste, debris, and sediment
- Restaurant or food processing facility wastes such as grease, floor mat and trash bin wash water, and food waste

The County of Riverside has adopted a similar stormwater ordinance but it does not address sewage issues since the County does not operate a POTW or associated sewage collection system. The RCFC&WCD does not have an adopted stormwater ordinance since it relies on the combined authority of the city and county permittees.

### **Inspection and Enforcement Activities**

MS4 permittees conduct inspections of commercial and industrial facilities as part of municipal NPDES programs to assess compliance of facilities with local stormwater ordinances and, where applicable, potential noncompliance with California's General Permit for Storm Water Discharges Associated with Industrial Activities. In evaluation of these programs for water quality benefits, restaurant inspections are of particular interest since restaurant activities are potential sources of indicator bacteria.

Riverside County MS4 permittees implement a Commercial/Industrial Compliance Assistance Program (CAP) to conduct focused outreach to restaurants, automotive repair shops and certain other commercial and industrial establishments to encourage implementation of stormwater BMPs and facilitate consistent and coordinated enforcement of local stormwater quality ordinances. Site visits include use of survey checklists to document stormwater management practices for each facility. CAP has a specific compliance survey for food facilities verifying that:

- Oil and grease wastes are not discharged onto a parking lot, street or adjacent catch basin

- Trash bin areas are clean; bin lids are closed, not filled with liquid, and bins have not been washed out into the MS4
- Floor mats, filters and garbage containers are not washed in adjacent parking lots, alleys, sidewalks, or streets and that no wash water is discharged to MS4s
- Parking lot areas are cleaned by sweeping, not by hosing down, and that facility operators use dry methods for spill cleanup

Implementation of the water conservation ordinance also results in inspectors going out into the community to address complaints regarding potential violations of ordinance provisions. Since October 2009, in the City of Corona, the following complaints or inquiries have been received:

- 145 calls about watering during restricted hours
- 26 broken sprinkler calls
- 23 reports of washing down sidewalks
- 6 reports of water spraying on sidewalks
- 81 general inquiries about water conservation
- 56 calls regarding overwatering
- 46 wasting water reports
- 59 water leak/leaking sprinkler issues
- 64 reports of watering on wrong days

To respond to these complaints, the City of Corona has completed 386 free landscape audits at residences throughout the city. Audits include the following activities:

- Irrigation timers are set per the City watering guidelines (3 days per week, 20 minutes maximum per station)
- Valves are checked to ensure operability
- Sprinkler heads are checked and adjusted to ensure efficiency
- Water meter is checked for leaks
- Additional recommendations for water savings are made

## Illicit Discharge/Spill Response

Riverside County permittees implement programs to reduce illicit discharges and prevent spills from reaching MS4 facilities. Events which involve the discharge of sewage have the potential to result in significant bacterial indicator inputs to the MS4. Permittees collaborated with the sewerage agencies to develop a Unified Sanitary Sewer Spill Response Procedure in 2005 (updated in 2008) for containing and cleaning effluent to address sanitary sewer overflows. The procedure was developed in response to a MS4 permit requirement for sewerage agencies and permittees to develop and strengthen interagency response procedures and enhance communication among permittees, sewerage agencies, and the RWQCB.

Riverside County permittees annually record notifications or complaints regarding illicit discharges and maintain a database of these incidents and specific response actions taken. Initial calls of complaints often are received by the County and then forwarded to individual jurisdictions for follow-up action. The discharge database includes the following information:

- Discharge type
- Discharge description and estimated quantity of material discharged
- Response action

A review of database records for the period 2005-2009 shows that discharge or spill events were mostly related to sewage overflows. Table D-4 summarizes the total number of reported incidents and estimated quantity of discharge cleaned. The total volume handled during spill response activities represents discharges prevented from potentially entering MS4 facilities.

**Table D-4. Illicit Discharge Spill Response, Riverside County MS4 Program, 2005-2009**

Jurisdiction	2005		2006		2007		2008		2009	
	Incidents	Quantity (gal)								
Corona	2	7,600	1	4,700	4	95,800	3	3,900	6	2,900
Norco	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1,000	0	0
Riverside	27	2,084,000	5	4,100	3	1,300	9	4,800	7	6,500
County of Riverside	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	5,500

## Street Sweeping

Street sweeping removes debris, which has been shown to contain bacterial indicators. Bacterial indicators become entrained in urban runoff, which is then discharged to the MS4. While the benefits of street sweeping are assumed to be most closely associated with wet weather runoff which has the greatest capacity to flush unswept debris into the storm drain, there is recent evidence that DWFs along curbs have the potential to mobilize significant numbers of bacterial indicators (Skinner et al. 2010; Ferguson 2006). It should be noted that street sweeping activities are only performed on streets with curb and gutter. In uncurbed streets, a portion of accumulated sediment is conveyed to shoulders by wind or runoff and is therefore not commonly found within the path of any DWF.

Table D-5 summarizes the quantity of debris collected by street sweeping programs for each jurisdiction. The following sections provide a qualitative description of street sweeping program activities within permittee jurisdictions, as reported in the Annual Progress Reports.

**Table D-5. Debris collected (tons) from street sweeping, Riverside County, 2005-2009**

Jurisdiction	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	Comments
Corona	-	2,772	2,845	2,796	2,904	
Norco	-	-	294	361	345	
Riverside	-	-	4,990	NR	2,885	NR: not reported
County of Riverside	-	-	1,753	NR	1,672	NR: not reported

(-): In 2005 and 2006, not all jurisdictions reported this measurement  
Source: Riverside County Annual Progress Reports, 2005 to 2009

The City of Corona prioritizes street sweeping based on a number of factors including land use or complaint history. Generally, streets in residential areas with curb and gutter are swept two times per month while street medians and intersections are swept one time per month. Areas are ranked as low, medium, or high based on the following:

- Low - Low density residential areas; areas with no prior history of illegal dumping, problems and/or complaints
- Medium - Medium density residential areas; areas with modest amount of landscaping, collector streets; storm drain facilities with few complaints, problems or history of an isolated incident that occurred in the past with no visible reoccurring pattern
- High - High density residential, commercial and industrial areas; areas with significant amount of landscaping; major arterial, primary and secondary streets; facilities that discharge directly to receiving waters and are classified under the "Medium" category

The City of Riverside implements a bi-weekly street sweeping program for streets with curb and gutter to reduce the discharge of pollutants and trash that would enter MS4 facilities from public areas such as parks and streets. The street sweeping program is coordinated with Parking Services to better enforce “No Parking for Street Sweeping” requirements. Fine enforcement has resulted in fewer vehicles remaining parked along the street during scheduled and posted street sweeping time; allowing for more effective sweeping coverage and greater removal of debris along streets and gutters. In 2007-2008, two new vacuum assisted sweepers were purchased.

Unincorporated Riverside County streets with curb and gutter within established neighborhoods (i.e. includes Landscape Lighting and Maintenance District), street sweeping is performed twice a month. Other service areas within the County are swept on an as needed basis.

### **MS4 Facility Inspection and Cleaning Programs**

The MS4 permittees implement MS4 facility inspection and cleaning programs to satisfy minimum facility maintenance requirements contained in their MS4 permits. The debris that builds up in MS4 facilities has the potential to become a significant bacterial indicator reservoir that can be mobilized when water moves through. While wet weather flows would be most likely to mobilize this debris and associated bacterial indicators, steady DWFs through the facility also have the potential convey bacterial indicators into receiving waters.

The Riverside County permittees annually document the length and percent of pipeline and channel facilities inspected in the Annual Report (see Tables D-6 and D-7). Table D-8 summarizes the amount of debris removed annually from MS4 facilities from 2005 to 2009. In addition, the Riverside County permittees also have conducted site-specific MS4 cleanup efforts in the MSAR watershed. These efforts are summarized below.

#### **City of Corona**

The City of Corona conducts annual cleanup events and has implemented efforts to address transient encampments in the Prado Basin:

- *Temescal Creek Cleanup Event:* - Since 2005, the City of Corona has conducted annual volunteer trash and debris removal events in Temescal Creek. These events are held in coordination with various agencies and in conjunction with the Inner-Coastal Watershed Cleanup Day. Dates and volunteer efforts resulting in debris removed from the Temescal Creek are summarized below:
  - May 21, 2005 - 80 volunteers; quantity unknown; October 28, 2006 - 30 volunteers; 2 tons of debris; October 18, 2008 - 300 volunteers; 50 tons of debris; October 17, 2009 - 100 volunteers; 23 tons of debris

**Table D-6. Linear feet of pipe and percent of pipe inspected, Riverside County MS4, 2005 - 2009**

Jurisdiction	Linear Feet (LF) or Miles (mi) of Pipe Inspected					Percent Pipe Inspected				
	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009
Corona	43,310 LF	45,490 LF	47,550 LF	39,204 LF	47,360 LF	6	6	6	5	6
Norco	16,100 LF	16,900 LF	17,000 LF	17,000 LF	17,000 LF	80	80	62	62	80
City of Riverside	0	ND	ND	ND	ND	0	ND	10	10	10
County of Riverside	ND	ND	ND	All <sup>2</sup>	6,150 LF	ND	80	80	100	82
RCFC&WCD	ND	ND	All <sup>2</sup>	All <sup>2</sup>	All <sup>2</sup>	100	100	100	100	100

<sup>1</sup> ND: No data shown

<sup>2</sup> All components that can be visually inspected

Source: Riverside County Annual Progress Reports, 2005 to 2009

**Table D-7. Linear feet of channel and percent of channel inspected, Riverside County MS4, 2005 - 2009**

Jurisdiction	Linear Feet (LF) or Miles (mi) of Channel Inspected					Percent Channel Inspected				
	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009
Corona	21,536 LF	21,536 LF	22,855 LF	22,861 LF	23,258 LF	100	100	100	100	100
Norco	4,400 LF	4,400 LF	4,000 LF	4,400 LF	4,400 LF	100	100	80	100	100
City of Riverside	199,000 LF	199,000 LF	ND	ND	ND	100	100	100	100	100
County of Riverside	ND	ND	ND	ND	57,855 LF	ND	92	92	100	95
RCFC&WCD	133 mi	59 mi	160 mi	103 mi	95 mi	100	100	100	100	100

<sup>1</sup> ND: No data shown

Source: Riverside County Annual Progress Reports, 2005 to 2009

**Table D-8. Debris (tons) collected from MS4 facilities, Riverside County permittees, 2005-2009**

Jurisdiction	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	Comments
Corona	-	-	64	117	119	
Norco	-	-	16	16	14	
City of Riverside	-	-	3,381 cy	7,000 cy	2,200 cy	Debris cubic yards (cy)
County of Riverside	-	-	15	NR	24	NR, not recorded
RCFC&WCD	-	673	600	1,200	1,100	Debris collected (tons)
	-	45,146	50,000	57,000	24,000	Sediment collected (cubic yards)

(-): In 2005 and 2006, not all jurisdictions reported this measurement  
 Source: Riverside County Annual Progress Reports, 2005 to 2009

- *Prado Basin Transient Encampment Abatement* - Since a portion of the Prado Basin is located within the City of Corona jurisdiction, in 2003 the City initiated meetings to strategize removal of transient encampments within the Prado Basin. Since 2006, this program has resulted in removal of debris from Prado Basin: 197 tons, 4 tons, and 8 tons of debris removed in 2006, 2007 and 2008, respectively.

### City of Norco

In addition to the inspecting MS4 facilities, the City of Norco implements BMPs to reduce the likelihood of erosion-based pollutants by allowing alternative trail materials to be installed across driveway approaches within the horse trail. The City also has replaced many of the drop inlets located within horse trails with curb opening catch basins. Use of these alternative materials and drainage features reduces the potential for horse manure mobilization from roadside horse trails to MS4 systems.

### City of Riverside

Annually, prior to the rainy season, the City's Public Works Department clears drainage areas near dirt roads to remove illegal dumping, debris, and weeds that may block drainage paths. This cleaning activity reduces the potential for in-stream source of bacteria indicators by removing materials that may provide habitat for bacteria colonies to survive and grow.

### County of Riverside

The County utilizes various departments including the Transportation Department, Code Enforcement Department, County Environmental Health, RCFC&WCD, Building and Safety Department and Waste Management Department to inspect MS4 facilities and respond to complaints of illegal dumping. In addition, Riverside County implements community cleanup events throughout the region. These activities reduce the potential for in-stream source of bacteria indicators by removing materials that may provide habitat for bacteria colonies to survive and grow.

## 4.2.8 Water Conservation Programs

Development and implementation of water conservation BMPs will be closely coordinated with water purveyors within the MS4 drainage area. Water demand management measures (DMM), also known as BMPs, are required to be evaluated in urban water management plans (UWMPs). Attachment C provides details on each of these BMPs and describes plans to enhance water conservation BMP implementation prior to 2015. Water purveyors within the MS4 Permit area have also implemented other water conservation BMPs to reduce outdoor water use that are not required by the UWMP Act. The following sections summarize current implementation of DMMs and additional conservation BMPs by the City of Corona Water Department and Riverside Public Utilities.

### City of Corona

- Completion of landscape design guidelines for commercial and industrial developments. The purpose of the guidelines is to:
  - Ensure a high level of resource conservation including water conservation, groundwater recharge, and green waste reduction;
  - Promote improved water use management and water conservation through the use of water-efficient landscaping, limited use of turf grass, and aggressive use of water conserving irrigation technology and management;
  - Eliminate water waste from irrigation overspray; and
  - Reduce the water demands from landscapes without a decline in the landscape quality or quantity.
- *Landscape Audit* – Provide free irrigation system check and develop customer irrigation schedule based on precipitation rate, local climate, irrigation system performance, and landscape conditions. Since 2005, approximately 1,300 landscape audits have been provided.
- *Landscape Partners* – Establish partnership with local landscape suppliers for customers to purchase water saving devices at discounted prices
- *Rebate Program* - Implementation has included past programs such as:
  - Turf Removal (Pilot Program) – \$1 per square foot to remove turf lawn and install water-friendly landscaping;
  - Weather Based Irrigation Controllers – \$200 per controller for irrigable area less than one acre;
  - Rotating Nozzles – \$4 per nozzle with pressure regulating head to guarantee performance; and

- Synthetic Turf – \$0.90 per square foot to replace irrigated lawn area.
- *Weather-based Irrigation Controller Direct Installation Programs*
  - Completed pilot program for the installation of 37 weather-based irrigation controllers in 2009 on residential lots of 10,000 square feet or larger. Controllers reduce urban runoff by reducing the amount of water applied to yards. In the first six months since the controllers have been installed, the pilot program has resulted in savings of 15.7 acre-feet of water.
  - Weather-based Irrigation Controller (WBIC) direct installation (expanded program for future implementation) – Collaborating with the Bureau of Reclamation (50 percent grant funded) to install 290 controllers for customers with landscape areas over 1,500 sq. ft. In 2010, 335 WBICs were installed under this program.
- *Residential Parkway Landscape Conversion Program* – This program began in 2009 to support new City of Corona guidelines established for converting high water demand turf into water efficient landscaping, e.g., converting the parkway area between the curb and the sidewalk. Increased participation is expected in future years as water utility rates increase.

City of Corona has converted approximately one acre of Landscape Maintenance District high water demand landscaped areas, such as turf, to drought tolerant landscaping and decomposed granite, and has installed more efficient irrigation systems over the past year.

These design guidelines and water conservation BMPs will provide potential reduction in DWF that may have otherwise conveyed bacterial indicators to MS4 facilities and receiving waters.

### **City of Riverside**

- *Rebate Program* - Implementation has included past programs such as:
  - Artificial Turf - Level of incentive is \$1 per square foot, up to \$1,000. Since 2009, 3 acres of grass has been replaced with artificial turf by participants in this program,
  - Rotating Sprinkler Nozzles - Level of incentive is \$4 per qualified nozzle, up to \$100, not to exceed the purchase price of the new nozzles.
  - WBIC - Level of incentive on qualified units is \$200 per unit, or \$25 per station on landscapes larger than one acre.
- Waterwise Landscaping Program - Customers can receive incentives of \$0.40 per square foot of turf area that is replaced with waterwise landscaping. Customers can replace between 1,000 to 6,000 square feet of existing turf for a maximum

rebate of \$2,400. Rebate cannot exceed 50 percent of total documented materials cost. Since 2009, over 5 acres of grass has been replaced with waterwise landscaping by participants in this program.

- RPU is currently partnered with WMWD in a large landscape residential WBIC/rotator direct install program. RPU targets the top residential water users in the city and, if they meet the proper criteria, to install water saving irrigation equipment in their homes at no cost.
- RPU will begin an annual high efficiency sprinkler nozzle distribution program for residents via the website [FreeSpinklerNozzles.com](http://FreeSpinklerNozzles.com) on July 1, 2010. Under this program, RPU has provided 85,000 nozzles to customers in 2010-2011.

RPU currently administers, through MWD, rebates for all commercial entities using pressurized water saving devices such as a pressurized waterbroom to clean sidewalks and work areas.

These water conservation BMPs will provide potential reduction in DWF that may have otherwise conveyed bacterial indicators to MS4 facilities and receiving waters.

### **D.3 Structural BMPs**

This section describes relatively large-scale projects that include structural BMPs that reduce urban runoff under dry weather conditions that have been completed since January 1, 2005 or are already planned for completion by December 31, 2015.

Structural BMPs will provide potential reduction in DWF that may have otherwise conveyed bacterial indicators to MS4 facilities and receiving waters.

Few large scale structural BMPs have been implemented since 2005 in Riverside County. An example of one such project is the County Line Channel project which was completed in 2007 primarily as a flood control facility in the Chino-Corona Agricultural Preserve area. The channel provides 100-year flood protection to existing public roads, utilities, new development, and agricultural operations by collecting overland sheet flows from the City of Ontario and County of San Bernardino portions of the watershed and discharges the flows into the Cucamonga Creek Channel. It was co-sponsored by RCFC&WCD, SBCFCD, and the City of Ontario. Grant funding was also provided by SAWPA.

The construction of the County Line Channel facility accommodated major storm drain laterals that convey stormwater and avoided the co-mingling of urban runoff with agricultural drainage that previously resulted in the inundation and overflowing of the dairy drainage systems within the project vicinity. While this project did not directly reduce bacterial indicators from urban areas, it did reduce the potential for conveying bacterial indicators from agricultural sources from impacting receiving waters in the Cucamonga Creek drainage area.

Riverside County permittees completed the BMP Siting Study for the Santa Ana Region Permit Area in 2005. This study identified candidate properties that could be retrofitted to include regional structural BMPs to capture dry and wet weather runoff. This study screened the candidate sites to prioritize implementation of potential projects. Further investigation of these potential sites will be necessary to determine their technical feasibility. Structural BMP retrofit opportunities identified in this study could be used to provide regional treatment solutions if it is determined there is a need to control DWF/bacterial indicators, and a regional structural BMP approach is determined to be the necessary approach.

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## **E.1 Introduction**

The MS4 permit establishes the minimum required schedule-related elements for inclusion in the CBRP. These elements include:

- A detailed schedule with discrete milestones to assess satisfactory progress toward meeting urban wasteload allocations for dry weather;
- Designation of responsibility for meeting each milestone; and
- Specific metrics to demonstrate the effectiveness of the CBRP and acceptable progress for meeting the urban wasteload allocations for dry weather.

Section 2.3 provides an overview of the schedule for the CBRP implementation program. The following sections present the additional information required by the MS4 permit.

## E.2 CBRP Program Elements

This section provides the implementation plan for each of the four required CBRP elements. Each plan includes the following information:

- *CBRP Activity* – Programmatic area to be implemented.
- *Milestones* – Discrete actions associated with the completion of each CBRP activity.
- *Metrics* – Specific outcomes to demonstrate completion of each milestone; in addition, metrics for some activities are related to mitigation of identified controllable urban sources of bacterial indicators and provide a means to measure effectiveness of activity.
- *Lead Agency* – Assignment of the activity to either the area-wide MS4 program or to MS4 Permittees with jurisdiction over a targeted area.
- *Completion Date* – Completion dates are provided where possible. CBRP Step 2 and 3 activities are expected to extend beyond the December 31, 2015 compliance date given the length of time involved with the design, permitting and construction of a structural BMP.

### Element 1 – Ordinances

Two activities comprise Element 1 - water conservation and pathogen control ordinances. Table E-1 provides the implementation activities planned for each of these CBRP activities. Evaluations of legal authority and the development of minimum ordinance requirements are expected to be implemented by individual MS4 Permittees, where necessary. Activities associated with the development of a pathogen control ordinance are an MS4 permit requirement and the completion date is consistent with the permit. Progress towards implementing Element 1 activities will be summarized and reported in the Annual Report prepared under the MS4 permit.

### Element 2 – Specific BMPs

Seven specific BMPs are included in Element 2. Table E-2 provides the implementation plan associated with each of these activities. Implementation responsibility for specific activities varies between the area-wide MS4 program and Permittees. Some activities are closely linked to other CBRP elements, e.g., implementation of irrigation practices is closely linked with the water conservation ordinance activities described under Element 1. Several activities are also MS4 permit requirements, e.g., IDDE program development, WQMP revisions, and septic system management. The completion dates for these activities are consistent with the MS4 permit requirements. Progress implementing Element 2 activities will be summarized and reported in the Annual Report prepared under the MS4 permit.

### Element 3 – Inspection Criteria

This element includes the activities dedicated to identifying controllable dry weather flow and bacterial indicator sources, prioritizing mitigation evaluations, completing

mitigation alternative evaluations, and initiating the implementation of selected mitigation alternatives (Table E-3). Element 3 activities require data collection, the results of which support decisions regarding next steps to mitigate controllable sources. Deliverables range from selection and initiation of a structural BMP projects to implementation of more targeted non-structural BMPs. Structural BMPs selected under Element 3 are designed and constructed as part of Element 4. Where the results of source evaluation activities indicate that sources are uncontrollable or are not the responsibility of the MS4, the RWQCB will be notified and the source will be addressed outside of the CBRP.

Currently, the USEP (approved by the RWQCB in 2008) and the 2010 MS4 permit require the completion of semi-annual USEP reports to describe progress and plans associated with the implementation of urban source evaluation activities. Element 3 activities will replace the need to periodically identify source evaluation activities for implementation. Reports regarding the findings of mitigation evaluations and selection of mitigation alternatives will be summarized in the MS4 permit Annual Reports.

**Table E-1. Implementation Plan for CBRP Element 1 – Ordinances**

<b>CBRP Activity</b>	<b>Milestones</b>	<b>Metrics</b>	<b>Lead</b>	<b>Complete by</b>
1.A - Water Conservation Ordinance	1.A.i – Evaluate existing legal authority to manage and enforce DWF	Establish minimum DWF management and enforcement requirements for the area	Permittees	June 30, 2012
	1.A.ii - Evaluate opportunities to collaborate with water purveyors on implementation of SB7 to maximize use of outdoor water use efficiency BMPs and reduce DWF			
	1.A.iii – Evaluate need to revise local ordinances to incorporate more stringent DWF management requirements	Prepare draft revised ordinances in the local jurisdiction, as needed	Permittees	December 31, 2012
	1.A.iv - Adopt revised water conservation ordinances (as appropriate)	As appropriate to the local jurisdiction, revised ordinances adopted	Permittees	December 31, 2013
1.B – Pathogen Control Ordinance	1.B.i – Evaluate existing legal authority to manage animal wastes	Establish minimum requirements for the control of bacterial indicator sources	Permittees	June 30, 2012
	1.B.ii – Identify other controllable bacterial indicator sources (other than pet waste) that may contribute to bacterial indicator exceedances in the MS4			
	1.B.iii – Evaluate need to establish/revise local ordinances to incorporate minimum bacterial indicator control requirements	Prepare draft revised ordinances in the local jurisdiction, as needed	Permittees	December 31, 2012
	1.B.iv – Adopt/revise pathogen control ordinances	As appropriate to the local jurisdiction, revised ordinances adopted	Permittees	January 29, 2013 <sup>1</sup>
1.C - Reporting	1.C.i – Provide annual summary of ordinance development activities and recommendations for CBRP modification as identified by Element 1 implementation	Incorporate summary into MS4 permit Annual Report	Area-wide MS4 Program	Annually by November 15

<sup>1</sup> - Consistent with MS4 permit requirement

**Table E-2. Implementation Plan for CBRP Element 2 – Specific BMPs**

Activity	Milestones	Metrics	Lead	Complete by
2.A – Transient Camps	2.A.i - Identify locations of transient encampments that may be contributing to elevated bacterial indicators in dry weather flows in MS4 facilities, evaluate potential impacts from identified camps, and develop plan to mitigate camps determine to be a water quality concern	Report findings	Permittees	Reported in Annual Report starting with FY2013/2014 Annual Report
	2.A.ii - Develop model program for mitigating water quality impacts from transient encampments	Determine need to establish model program for use by local jurisdictions	Area-wide MS4 Program	Reported in FY2012/13 Annual Report
	2.A.iii - Develop targeted transient camp mitigation plan	Based on the outcome of 2.A.i and 2.A.ii, prepare mitigation plan (with schedule) for implementation by local jurisdiction	Permittees	June 30, 2013, if required
	2.A.iv - Implement transient camp mitigation plan	Complete targeted activities based on mitigation plan	Permittees	Ongoing starting July 1, 2013, if required
2.B – IDDE	2.B.i - Develop draft IDDE Program that is consistent with permit requirements and supports CBRP Element 3 (Inspection Program)	Develop program guidance based on MS4 permit requirements and needs of inspection program	Area-wide MS4 Program	Submitted March 31, 2011
	2.B.ii – Develop final IDDE Program for submittal to the RWQCB	Submit final guidance to RWQCB	Area-wide MS4 Program	July 29, 2011 <sup>1</sup>
	2.B.iii – Implement IDDE Program	Implementation of Inspection Program as required by 3.C	Area-wide MS4 Program & Permittees	As required by Element 3
2.C - Street Sweeping	2.C.i – Evaluate need to revise street sweeping programs	Develop recommendations for modified street sweeping program targeted at bacterial indicators	Permittees	June 30, 2012
	2.C.ii - Develop plan/schedule for implementation of modified program (as appropriate)	Establish plan/schedule for implementation of modified street sweeping program, as appropriate to local jurisdictions	Permittees	Submitted with FY2011/2012 Annual Report.
	2.C.iii – Implement modified street sweeping program	Compliance with established plan/schedule	Permittees	As required by 2.C.ii

**Table E-2. Implementation Plan for CBRP Element 2 – Specific BMPs**

Activity	Milestones	Metrics	Lead	Complete by
2.D – Irrigation or Water Conservation Practices	2.D.i - Develop irrigation and water conservation BMP programs in coordination CBRP activity 1.A	Identify recommended irrigation and water conservation BMP practices for implementation	Permittees	December 31, 2012
	2.D.ii - Develop plan/schedule for implementation of BMP practices	Establish plan/schedule for implementation of BMP practices, as appropriate within local jurisdictions	Permittees	March 31, 2013
	2.D.iii – Implement BMP practices	Compliance with established plan/schedule	Permittees	As required by 2.D.ii
2.E – Water Quality Management Plan Revision	2.E.i - Submit draft WQMP revision to RWQCB	Submit draft WQMP Guidance and Template revisions as required by permit	Area-wide MS4 Program	July 29, 2011 <sup>2</sup>
	2.E.ii - Submit final WQMP to RWQCB	Submit final WQMP Guidance and Template as required by permit	Area-wide MS4 Program	Based on RWQCB Response to Draft <sup>2</sup>
	2.E.iii - Incorporate WQMP revisions into training programs	Establish revised training modules to incorporate new WQMP provisions	Area-wide MS4 Program	July 29, 2012 <sup>2</sup>
	2.E.iv – Implement revised WQMP	WQMP approved by RWQCB	Permittees	Within 90 days of Board approval <sup>2</sup>
2.F –Septic System Management	2.F.i – Analyze relationship between location of septic systems and MS4 facilities to evaluate potential for impacts from septic systems on water quality under dry weather conditions	Enhance existing septic system inventory, identify areas where septic systems have the potential to impact the MS4 to inform future source assessment activities;	Area-wide MS4 Program	January 29, 2012 <sup>2</sup>
	2.F.ii – Distribute educational materials and conduct public education activities to inform septic system owners on proper maintenance of septic systems	Complete targeted educational activities	Area-wide MS4 Program & Permittees	Ongoing
	2.F.iii – Conduct inspection and enforcement activities as needed, to ensure potential water quality impacts to MS4 are mitigated	Complete targeted inspections and implement enforcement actions as needed	Permittees	Ongoing
2.G – Pet Waste Management	2.G.i – Evaluate pet waste management BMPs within local jurisdictions to identify any opportunities to enhance BMPs to better target bacterial indicator sources; coordinate evaluation with CBRP Activity 1.B	Identification of new or enhanced BMPs for implementation	Permittees	September 30, 2012
	2.G.i – Develop and implement BMPs identified in 2.G.i.	Implementation of BMPs identified in 2.G.i	Permittees	January 29, 2013 <sup>1</sup>

**Table E-2. Implementation Plan for CBRP Element 2 – Specific BMPs**

Activity	Milestones	Metrics	Lead	Complete by
2.H - Reporting	2.H.i – Provide annual summary of BMP activities and recommendations for CBRP modification as identified by Element 2 implementation	Incorporate summary into MS4 permit Annual Report	Area-wide MS4 Program & Permittees	Annually by November 15

<sup>1</sup> - Program guidance is an MS4 permit requirement with no due date; the CBRP establishes a due date 18 months after permit adoption

<sup>2</sup> - Consistent with MS4 permit requirement

**Table E-3. Implementation Plan for CBRP Element 3 – Inspection Criteria<sup>1</sup>**

Activity	Milestones	Metrics	Lead	Complete by
3.A – Tier 1 Source Evaluation	3.A.i - Revise Watershed-wide Monitoring Program Monitoring Plan and QAPP, as needed	Revised Monitoring Plan and QAPP approved by RWQCB	Area-wide MS4 Program	March 31, 2012
	3.A.ii - Collect data from Tier 1 sites	Completed sampling; laboratory data received and included in MSAR database maintained by SAWPA	Area-wide MS4 Program	December 31, 2012
3.B – Prioritization of Drainage Areas	3.B.i – Prepare Data Analysis Report with prioritized drainage areas based on data collected under 3.A	Data Analysis Report summarizing Tier 1 results to support Decision Points #1 and #2 in the Compliance Strategy (Figure 2-4)	Area-wide MS4 Program	March 31, 2013
3.C – Identify Alternatives for Reducing or Eliminating Controllable Flow or Bacterial Indicator Sources	3.C.i - Based on the findings of Elements 3.B.i, collect data from Tier 2 sites, as needed, and develop alternatives to mitigate controllable dry weather flow or bacterial indicator sources for each prioritized drainage area starting with the highest priority area (subsequent drainage areas evaluated in order of priority)	Prepare documentation regarding the alternatives identified for each evaluated drainage area (documentation prepared for each drainage area in order of priority and included in Annual Report)	Permittees	December 31, 2014
3.D – Identify and Select Mitigation Alternatives	3.D.i – Select mitigation alternative based on findings established under 3.C.i	Prepare documentation regarding the selected alternative for mitigating controllable sources in each drainage area (documentation prepared for each drainage area in order of priority and included in Annual Report)	Permittees	March 31, 2015
	3.D.ii – Implement targeted non-structural BMPs if part of mitigation alternative	Document implementation of non-structural BMPs through Annual Report	Permittees	December 31, 2015
	3.D.iii – Complete Project Identification phase of CIP process where structural BMPs selected	Establish Project Need and move structural BMP project into CBRP Step 2 (see Table E-4.)	Permittees	March 31, 2015
3.E - Reporting	3.E.i – Provide annual summary of Element 3 implementation activities	Incorporate into Annual Report	Area-wide MS4 Program	Annually by November 15

<sup>1</sup> – Element 3 activities will not occur in the Temescal Creek Subwatershed

#### **Element 4 – Regional Treatment (Structural Controls)**

This element includes all CBRP Step 2 and 3 activities and programmatic activities including the WAP (Table E-4). Preparation of the WAP and the update to the 2005 BMP Retrofit Study are MS4 permit requirements. The milestones, metrics and schedule associated with these activities are consistent with the MS4 permit.

The outcomes of CBRP Step 1 (selection of BMP alternatives for each prioritized drainage area) determine the schedule for implementation of structural BMP projects and the specific Permittees responsible for BMP implementation (e.g., responsibility for implementation of the BMP rests with the Permittees located within the drainage area that drains to the structural BMP). Wherever structural BMP solutions are selected for implementation, a project-specific schedule will be developed. This schedule will take into account the usual factors that affect implementation of capital improvement projects, e.g., available funding or permitting requirements. If under CBRP Step 2 a selected alternative is determined to be infeasible, a process will be initiated to identify another alternative for the targeted drainage area.

The CBRP schedule shows CBRP Steps 2 and 3 likely extending beyond the December 31, 2015 to allow for the CIP process to be implemented within each responsible jurisdiction. The status of CBRP BMP projects will be annually summarized and reported in the Annual Report prepared for the MS4 permit program.

### E.3 Monitoring & Reporting

A watershed-wide compliance monitoring program was established in 2007; it will continue as designed under the CBRP. A report summarizing sample results from dry weather conditions from April 1 to October 31 is submitted to the RWQCB by December 31<sup>st</sup> of each year. Similarly, a report summarizing sample results from November 1 through March 31 is submitted to the RWQCB by May 31<sup>st</sup> of each year. In addition to these biannual reports, a 3-year summary (or Triennial Report) is due to the RWQCB by February 15<sup>th</sup> every three years since TMDL adoption. The first of these reports was submitted on February 15, 2010. Subsequent reports are due in 2013 and 2016.

Table E-5 summarizes the monitoring and reporting activities associated with the CBRP. Under the CBRP, the watershed-wide compliance monitoring program will continue to be the primary means of evaluating progress toward meeting the 2010 MS4 Permit WQBEL for dry weather. The existing Monitoring Plan and QAPP will be revised as needed to facilitate source evaluation activities implemented as part of Element 3 - in particular allowing the use of alternative EPA-approved bacterial indicator laboratory analysis methods.

The CBRP schedule includes the regular reporting of seasonal sampling results that is ongoing. In addition, during CBRP implementation two Triennial Reports will be prepared that will provide opportunity to evaluate newly collected data and the effectiveness of CBRP implementation over the long term:

**Table E-4. Implementation Plan for CBRP Element 4 – Regional Treatment (Structural BMPs)**

<b>Activity</b>	<b>Milestones</b>	<b>Metrics</b>	<b>Lead</b>	<b>Complete by</b>
4.A – Complete UAAs, as needed	4.A.i - Meet with RWQCB to establish UAA development schedule and waterbody-specific data requirements	UAA schedule and waterbody specific approach established	Permittees	Schedule specific Structural BMP Projects
	4.A.ii- Collect required data and complete UAA	Submit completed UAA to RWQCB	Permittees	Schedule linked to Structural BMP Projects
4.B – Budget / Planning CIP Phase	4.B.i – Prepare preliminary design and cost estimate for identified structural BMP project	Completed project cost estimate	Permittees	Schedule linked to Structural BMP Projects
	4.B.ii – Incorporate into CIP	Incorporation of structural BMP project into CIP	Permittees	Schedule linked to Structural BMP Projects
4.C – Design CIP Phase	4.C.i – Develop design for structural BMPs included in the CIP, as funding allows	Completed structural BMP design	Permittees	Schedule linked to Structural BMP Projects
	4.C.ii – Initiate CEQA process for projects in design	CEQA process initiated	Permittees	Schedule linked to Structural BMP Projects
4.D – Permitting CIP Phase	4.D.i – Complete CEQA process	CEQA approval obtained	Permittees	Schedule linked to Structural BMP Projects
	4.D.ii – Obtain all required permits and approvals	All permits and approvals for construction obtained	Permittees	Schedule linked to Structural BMP Projects
4.E – Construction CIP Phase	4.E.i – Construct BMP, as available funding allows	BMP constructed	Permittees	Schedule linked to Structural BMP Projects
4.F – Watershed Action Plan	4.A.i – Prepare WAP, including evaluation of retrofit opportunities (update of 2005 BMP Retrofit Study)	WAP submitted to RWQCB	Area-wide MS4 Program	January 29, 2013
	4.A.ii - Implement WAP	Compliance with established WAP and associated schedule	To be determined as part of WAP development	WAP dependent
4.G - Reporting	4.F.i – Provide summary of status of each structural BMP project	Incorporate summary into Annual Report	Area-wide MS4 Program	Annually by November 15

**Table E-5. Implementation of activities to assess compliance with urban wasteload allocations**

CBRP Activity	Milestones	Metrics	Lead	Complete by
Watershed-wide Compliance Monitoring	Revise Monitoring Plan and QAPP as needed to facilitate Element 3 activities, including modifying the approved <i>E. coli</i> laboratory analysis method to another EPA-approved method to allow use of local laboratories <sup>1</sup>	Revised Monitoring Plan and QAPP approved by RWQCB	Area-wide MS4 Program through MSAR Task Force	December 31, 2011
	Collect 20-weekly samples during dry season (April 1 – October 31)	Submittal of Dry Season Report to RWQCB	Area-wide MS4 Program through MSAR Task Force	Ongoing annual activity
	Collect 11 weekly samples during wet season (November 1 – March 31)	Submittal of Wet Season Report to the RWQCB	Area-wide MS4 Program through MSAR Task Force	Ongoing annual activity
	Collect 4 samples during and after one wet weather event			
2013 Triennial Report	Review and revise compliance analysis contained in CBRP Section 3 based on most recent data (e.g., flow, bacterial indicators, special studies) including additional analysis on relative contribution of bacterial indicators from controllable urban sources	Revised compliance analysis for incorporation into the 2013 Triennial Report	Area-wide MS4 Program through MSAR Task Force	December 31, 2012
	As part of 2013 report, evaluate progress towards meeting urban wasteload allocations, in particular during dry weather conditions (April 1 – October 31)	Submit Triennial Report to the RWQCB by February 15, 2013; incorporate recommendations for modifications to CBRP	Area-wide MS4 Program through MSAR Task Force	February 15, 2013
2016 Triennial Report	Review and revise compliance analysis contained in CBRP Section 3 based on most recent data (e.g., flow, bacterial indicators, special studies) including additional analysis on relative contribution of bacterial indicators from controllable urban sources	Revised compliance analysis for incorporation into the 2016 Triennial Report	Area-wide MS4 Program through MSAR Task Force	December 31, 2015
	As part of 2016 report, evaluate progress towards meeting urban wasteload allocations, in particular during dry weather conditions (April 1 – October 31)	Submit Triennial Report to the RWQCB by February 15, 2016; incorporate recommendations for modifications to CBRP including additional BMPs planned if compliance monitoring indicates additional measures are required	Area-wide MS4 Program through MSAR Task Force	February 15, 2016

**Table E-5. Implementation of activities to assess compliance with urban wasteload allocations**

CBRP Activity	Milestones	Metrics	Lead	Complete by
Water Quality Objective Review	Based on the findings/outcomes of CBRP implementation activities, evaluate whether to revise geometric mean <i>E. coli</i> water quality objective applicable to Chino Creek, Mill-Cucamonga Creek, Santa Ana River Reach 3 and Prado Park Lake from 126 to 206 cfu/100 mL	RWQCB decision on whether to implement Basin Plan amendment process	RWQCB with MSAR Task Force	Spring 2016

<sup>1</sup> The Basin Plan amendment under development by the SWQSTF allows for the use any EPA-approved *E. coli* method for evaluating compliance. Implementation of the CBRP will require use of local laboratories to facilitate inspection program activities; the existing Monitoring Plan will be revised to accommodate this requirement.

- *2013 Triennial Report* – This report will provide an interim evaluation of progress towards meeting the urban wasteload allocation by the December 21, 2015 compliance date. As part of the preparation of this report, the compliance analysis contained in CBRP Section 3 will be reviewed, and where appropriate, revised to take into account newly available bacterial indicator, flow, and special study data which provide additional information regarding controllable urban sources and the relative contribution of bacteria from the MS4 to impaired waters.
- *2016 Triennial Report* – This report, due to the RWQCB by February 15, 2016, will provide an analysis of the most recent dry weather condition results obtained through October 2015. As part of the preparation of this report, the compliance analysis contained in CBRP Section 3 (and potentially revised in 2013) will be reviewed, and where appropriate, further revised to take into account newly available bacterial indicator, flow, and special study data which provide additional information regarding controllable urban sources and the relative contribution of bacteria from the MS4 to impaired waters.

# Attachment F

## Glossary

The following glossary terms were adapted from Appendix 4, Glossary, Riverside County MS4 Permit, Order No. R8-2010-0033.

**303(d) List** - Provides information on impaired waters, likely pollutant sources, and priority for TMDL development.

**Bacterial Indicator** - Indicator for the potential presence of pathogens.

**Basin Plan** - Water Quality Control Plan developed by the Regional Board for the Santa Ana River watershed.

**Bacterial Prioritization Score [BPS]** - Scoring given to a Middle Santa Ana River subwatershed on the basis of frequency and magnitude of water quality objective exceedences and number of human detections over the course of the 2007-2008 USEP monitoring period.

**Beneficial Use** - Uses of water necessary for the survival or well being of man, plants, and wildlife. These uses of water serve to promote the tangible and intangible economic, social, and environmental goals. "Beneficial Uses" that may be protected include, but are not limited to: domestic, municipal, agricultural and industrial supply; power generation; recreation; aesthetic enjoyment; navigation; and preservation and enhancement of fish, wildlife, and other aquatic resources or preserves. Existing Beneficial Uses are those that were attained in the surface or ground water on or after November 28, 1975; and potential Beneficial Uses are those that would probably develop in future years through the implementation of various control measures. "Beneficial Uses" are equivalent to "Designated Uses" under federal law. [California Water Code Section 13050(f)] Beneficial Uses for the Receiving Waters are identified in the Basin Plan.

**BMP [Best Management Practices]** - Defined in 40 CFR 122.2 as schedules of activities, prohibitions of practices, maintenance procedures, and other management practices to prevent or reduce the Pollution of Waters of the U.S. BMPs also include treatment requirements, operating procedures and practices to control plant site runoff, spillage or leaks, sludge or waste disposal, or drainage from raw material storage. In the case of MS4 permits, BMPs are typically used in place of Numeric Effluent Limits.

**Comprehensive Bacteria Reduction Plan [CBRP]** - A plan presenting a long-term solution designed to achieve compliance with the WLAs by the dates specified in the MSAR Bacteria Indicator TMDL. This plan includes a description of the proposed BMPs and the documentation demonstrating that the BMPs are expected to attain the WLAs by the compliance dates when implemented.

**Controllable Urban Bacteria Sources – Non-agricultural/non-Open Space**

Anthropogenic sources of Pollutants in Urban Runoff that may be controlled by the Permittees to the MEP. “Controllable Urban Sources” do not include discharges from state and federal facilities, public schools and hospitals, utilities, railroads, special districts, Native American tribal lands, wastewater management agencies and other point and non-point source discharges otherwise permitted by or under the jurisdiction of the Regional Board, which have been identified by the Regional Board in the MS4 permit as being beyond the Permittees’ legal jurisdiction. Additionally, “Controllable Urban Sources” do not include certain activities that generate Pollutants in Urban Runoff which have been identified by the Regional Board in the MS4 permit as being beyond the ability of the Permittees to eliminate and include, but are not limited to: emissions from internal combustion engines, brake pad wear and tear, atmospheric deposition, bacteria from wildlife (including feral cats and dogs) or from bacterial resuscitation or reactivation from treated waters or growth of bacteria in the environment (such as sediments, surface water, or other substrate) and leaching of naturally occurring nutrients and minerals from local soils. Specific anthropogenic controllable indicator bacteria sources within the Santa Ana Watershed may include:

- Improper use of fertilizers on residential and commercial properties and agricultural lands
- Improper handling of pet waste
- Cross-connections between the sanitary and storm sewer systems
- Leaky sanitary sewer conveyances
- Discharges from POTWs owned and operated by the Permittees
- Improper handling and disposal of food waste
- Runoff from yards containing fertilizers, pet waste, and lawn trimmings
- Transient encampments

**DAMP [Drainage Area Management Plan]** – The DAMP is a programmatic document developed by the Permittees and approved by the Executive Officer that outlines the major programs and policies that the Permittees individually and/or collectively implement to manage Urban Runoff in the Permit Area.

**De Minimus Permit** – General De Minimus Permit for Discharges to Surface Waters, Order NO. R8-2009-0003, NPDES No. CAG 998001.

**Dry Season** – For the CBRP, the dry season is defined by the period from April 1 through October 31 of each year.

**Dry Weather Flow [DWF]** – Flow in MS4 drains or receiving waterbodies during dry weather in either wet or dry seasons.

**Dry Weather** – a condition where daily rainfall does not exceed 0.1 inches.

**Illegal Discharge** – Defined at 40 CFR 122.26(b)(2) as any discharge to the MS4 that is not composed entirely of storm water, except discharges pursuant to an NPDES permit, discharges that are identified in Section VI.A. of this Order, and discharges authorized by the Executive Officer.

**Illicit Connection** – Any connection to the MS4 that is prohibited under local, state, or federal statutes, ordinances, codes, or regulations. The term Illicit Connection includes all non storm-water discharges and connections except discharges pursuant to an NPDES permit, discharges that are identified in Section V, Effluent Limitations and Discharge Specifications, of this Order, and discharges authorized by the Executive Officer.

**Impaired Waterbody / Impaired Waters** – Section 303(b) of the CWA requires each of California’s Regional Water Quality Control Boards to routinely monitor and assess the quality of waters of their respective regions. If this assessment indicates that Beneficial Uses are not met, then that waterbody must be listed under Section 303(d) of the CWA as an Impaired Waterbody. The 2006 water quality assessment found a number of water bodies as Impaired pursuant to Section 303(d). The Santa Ana River, Reach 3 is listed as an impaired waterbody for pathogens.

**Impressions** – The most common measure is "gross impressions" that includes repetitions. This means if the same person sees an advertisement or hears a radio or sees a TV advertisement a thousand times, that will be counted as 1000 Impressions.

**LA [Load Allocations]** – Distribution or assignment of TMDL Pollutant loads to entities or sources for existing and future Non-Point Sources, including background loads.

**Local Implementation Plan [LIP]** – Document describing an individual Permittee’s procedures, ordinances, databases, plans, and reporting materials for compliance with the MS4 Permit.

**Low Impact Development [LID]** – Comprises a set of technologically feasible and cost-effective approaches to storm water management and land development that combines a hydrologically functional site design with Pollution Prevention measures to compensate for land development impacts on hydrology and water quality. LID techniques mimic the site’s predevelopment hydrology by using site design techniques that store, infiltrate, evapotranspire, bio-treat, bio-filter, bio-retain or detain runoff close to its source.

**Major Outfall** – Outfalls from MS4 systems expected to contribute a measurable amount of dry weather flow based on desktop GIS analysis of upstream drainage area. It is expected that this desktop GIS analysis is moderately comparable with the NPDES Permit definition of a major outfall as an outfall “with a pipe diameter of 36 inches or greater or drainage areas draining 50 acres or more”.

**Maximum Extent Practicable [MEP]** – Standard for implementation of stormwater management programs. Section 402(p)(3)(B)(iii) of the Clean Water Act requires that municipal storm water permits "shall require controls to reduce the discharge of pollutants to the maximum extent practicable, including management practices, control techniques, and system design and engineering methods, and such other provisions as the Administrator or the State determines appropriate for the control of such pollutants."

In practice, compliance with the MEP standard is evaluated by how well the Permittees implement the "minimum measures" identified by EPA, including: (1) Public education and outreach on storm water impacts; (2) Public involvement/participation; (3) Illicit discharge detection and elimination; (4) Construction site storm water runoff control; (5) Post-construction storm water management in new development and redevelopment; and (6) Pollution prevention/good housekeeping for municipal operations. Collectively, these minimum measures are often referred to as "Best Management Practices" or BMPs. The MEP standard does not require Permittees to reduce pollutant concentrations below natural background levels, nor does it require further reductions where pollutant concentrations in the receiving water already meet water quality objectives. In implementing the MEP standard, it is appropriate for Permittees to prioritize their resource allocation to address the storm water pollution problems that pose the greatest and most immediate threat to human health or the environment.

MEP is a technology-based standard established by Congress in CWA section 402(p)(3)(B)(iii) that operators of MS4s must meet. Technology-based standards establish the level of pollutant reductions that dischargers must achieve, typically by treatment or by a combination of source control and treatment control BMPs. MEP generally emphasizes pollution prevention and source control BMPs primarily (as the first line of defense) in combination with treatment methods serving as a backup (additional line of defense). MEP considers economics and is generally, but not necessarily, less stringent than BAT. A definition for MEP is not provided either in the statute or in the regulations. Instead the definition of MEP is dynamic and will be defined by the following process over time: municipalities propose their definition of MEP by way of their urban runoff management programs. Their total collective and individual activities conducted pursuant to the urban runoff management programs becomes their proposal for MEP as it applies both to their overall effort, as well as to specific activities (e.g., MEP for street sweeping, or MEP for MS4 maintenance). In the absence of a proposal acceptable to the Regional Board, the Regional Board defines MEP.

In a memo dated February 11, 1993, entitled "Definition of Maximum Extent Practicable," Elizabeth Jennings, Senior Staff Counsel, SWRCB addressed the achievement of the MEP standard as follows:

"To achieve the MEP standard, municipalities must employ whatever Best management Practices (BMPs) are technically feasible (i.e., are likely to be effective) and are not cost prohibitive. The major emphasis is on technical feasibility. Reducing

pollutants to the MEP means choosing effective BMPs, and rejecting applicable BMPs only where other effective BMPs will serve the same purpose or the BMPs would not be technically feasible, or the cost would be prohibitive. In selecting BMPs to achieve the MEP standard, the following factors may be useful to consider:

- a. Effectiveness: Will the BMPs address a pollutant (or pollutant source) of concern?
- b. Regulatory Compliance: Is the BMP in compliance with storm water regulations as well as other environmental regulations?
- c. Public Acceptance: Does the BMP have public support?
- d. Cost: Will the cost of implementing the BMP have a reasonable relationship to the pollution control benefits to be achieved?
- e. Technical Feasibility: Is the BMP technically feasible considering soils, geography, water resources, etc?

The final determination regarding whether a municipality has reduced pollutants to the maximum extent practicable can only be made by the Regional or State Water Boards, and not by the municipal discharger. If a municipality reviews a lengthy menu of BMPs and chooses to select only a few of the least expensive, it is likely that MEP has not been met. On the other hand, if a municipal discharger employs all applicable BMPs except those where it can show that they are not technically feasible in the locality, or whose cost would exceed any benefit derived, it would have met the standard. Where a choice may be made between two BMPs that should provide generally comparable effectiveness, the discharger may choose the least expensive alternative and exclude the more expensive BMP. However, it would not be acceptable either to reject all BMPs that would address a pollutant source, or to pick a BMP base solely on cost, which would be clearly less effective. In selecting BMPs the municipality must make a serious attempt to comply and practical solutions may not be lightly rejected. In any case, the burden would be on the municipal discharger to show compliance with its permit. After selecting a menu of BMPs, it is the responsibility of the discharger to ensure that all BMPs are implemented.”

**MS4 [Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System]** – A conveyance or system of conveyances (including roads with drainage systems, municipal streets, catch basins, curbs, gutters, ditches, natural drainage features or channels, modified natural channels, man-made channels, or storm drains): (i) Owned or operated by a State, city town, borough, county, parish, district, association, or other public body (created by or pursuant to State law) having jurisdiction over disposal of sewage, industrial wastes, storm water, or other wastes, including special districts under State law such as a sewer district, flood control district or drainage district, or similar entity, or an Indian tribe or an authorized Indian tribal organization, or designated and approved management agency under section 208 of the CWA that discharges to Waters of the

U.S.; (ii) Designated or used for collecting or conveying storm water; (iii) Which is not a combined sewer; (iv) Which is not part of the POTW as defined at 40 CFR 122.2.

**New Development** – The categories of development identified in Section XI.D of this Order. New Development does not include routine maintenance to maintain original line and grade, hydraulic capacity, or original purpose of a facility, nor does it include emergency New Development required to protect public health and safety. Dischargers should confirm with Regional Board staff whether or not a particular routine maintenance activity is subject to this Order.

**Non-Point Source** – Refers to diffuse, widespread sources of Pollution. These sources may be large or small, but are generally numerous throughout a watershed. Non-Point Sources, include but are not limited to urban, agricultural or industrial area, roads, highways, construction sites, communities served by septic systems, recreational boating activities, timber harvesting, mining, livestock grazing, as well as physical changes to stream channels, and habitat degradation. Non-Point Source Pollution can occur year round any time rainfall, snowmelt, irrigation, or any other source of water runs over land or through the ground, picks up Pollutants from these numerous, diffuse sources and deposits them into rivers, lakes and coastal waters or introduces them into groundwater.

**National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System [NPDES]** – Permits issued under Section 402(p) of the CWA for regulating discharge of Pollutants to Waters of the U.S.

**Point Source** – Any discernible, confined, and discrete conveyance, including, but not limited to, any pipe, ditch, channel, tunnel, conduit, well, discrete fissure, container, rolling stock, concentrated animal feeding operations, landfill leachate collection systems, vessel, or other floating craft from which pollutants are or may be discharged.

**POTW [Publicly Owned Treatment Works]** – Wastewater treatment facilities owned by a public agency.

**Report of Waste Discharge [ROWD]** – Application for issuance or re-issuance of WDRs.

**Non-structural BMPs** – In general, activities or programs to educate the public or provide low cost non-physical solutions, as well as facility design or practices aimed to limit the contact between Pollutant sources and storm water or authorized Non-Storm Water. Examples include: activity schedules, prohibitions of practices, street sweeping, facility maintenance, detection and elimination of IC/IDs, and other non-structural measures. Facility design (structural) examples include providing attached lids to trash containers, canopies for fueling islands, secondary containment, or roof or awning over material and trash storage areas to prevent direct contact between water and Pollutants.

**Structural BMPs** – Physical facilities or controls that may include secondary containment, treatment measures, (e.g. low flow diversion, detention/retention basins, and oil/grease separators), run-off controls (e.g., grass swales, infiltration trenches/basins, etc.), and engineering and design modification of existing structures.

**Total Maximum Daily Load [TMDL]** - The TMDL is the maximum amount of a pollutant that can be discharged into a water body from all sources (point and non-point) and still maintain water quality standards. Under Clean Water Act Section 303(d), TMDLs must be developed for all water bodies that do not meet water quality standards after application of technology based controls.

**Uncontrollable Bacteria Sources** - Contributions of bacteria within the watershed from nonpoint sources that are not readily managed through technological or natural mechanisms and that may result in exceedances of water quality objectives for indicator bacteria. Uncontrollable sources can occur from both natural and anthropogenic sources, and include runoff from the roadways, residential, industrial and agricultural land use, and wildlife activity. Specific uncontrollable indicator bacteria sources within the Santa Ana Watershed may include:

- Wildlife activity and waste
- Bacterial regrowth within sediment
- Resuspension from disturbed sediment
- Marine vegetation (wrack) along high tide line
- Concentration (flocks) of semi-wild water fowl
- Shedding during swimming

**Waste Load Allocations [WLAs]** – Maximum quantity of Pollutants a discharger of waste is allowed to release into a particular waterway, as set by a regulatory authority. Discharge limits usually are required for each specific water quality criterion being, or expected to be, violated. Distribution or assignment of TMDL Pollutant loads to entities or sources for existing and future Point Sources.

**Water Quality Objectives** – Means the numeric or narrative limits or levels of water quality constituents or characteristics which are established for the reasonable protection of Beneficial Uses of water or the prevention of Nuisance within a specific area. [California Water Code Section 13050(h)].

**Water Quality Standards** -The water quality goals of a waterbody (or a portion of the waterbody) designating Beneficial Uses to be made of the water and the Water Quality Objectives or criteria necessary to protect those uses. These standards also include California’s anti-degradation policy.

**Watershed Action Plan [WAP]** – Integrated plans for managing a watershed that include consideration of water quality, hydromodification, water supply and habitat protection. The Watershed Action Plan integrates existing watershed based planning efforts and incorporates watershed tools to manage cumulative impacts of development on vulnerable streams, preserve structure and function of streams, and

protect source, surface and groundwater quality and water supply in the Permit Area. The Watershed Action Plan should integrate Hydromodification and water quality management strategies with land use planning policies, ordinances, and plans within each jurisdiction.

**Wet Season** - For the CBRP, the wet season is defined by the period from November 1 to March 31, of each year.

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