


**CALIFORNIA REGIONAL WATER QUALITY CONTROL BOARD
LAHONTAN REGION**

**MEETING OF MARCH 13-14, 2019
SOUTH LAKE TAHOE**

ITEM 11
DISCUSSION OF LAHONTAN WATER BOARD PRIORITIES AND ACCOMPLISHMENTS

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Outline

- Overview and Purpose
- Staffing by Programs
- Accomplishments and Performance Targets
- Key Efforts and Challenges

- Next Steps:** Input from the Water Board



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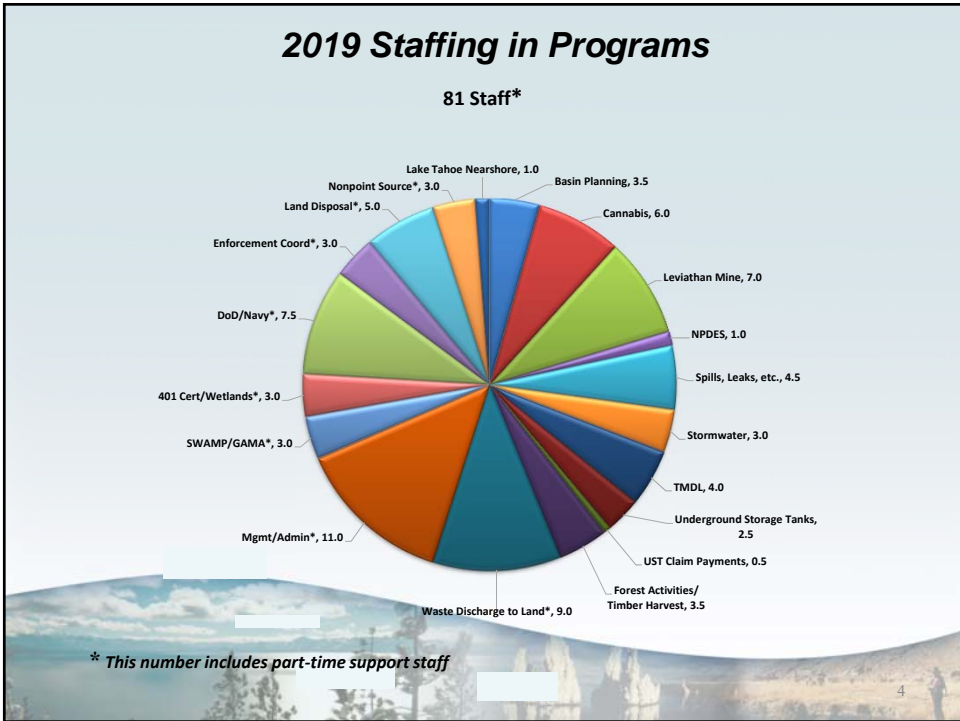
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- 570 miles long
- 24% of the state
- 700 lakes
- 3,170 miles of streams
- 345 groundwater basins
- 2 ONRWs – Mono and Tahoe
- 50 disadvantaged communities
- 10 Tribes
- 85% public land
- 12 counties
- Small rural cities with population growth in south
- < 2% of state pop.

Unique Facts about Lahontan Region

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Change in Staffing Levels

Description	FY 14/15	FY 15/16	FY 16/17	FY 17/18	FY 18/19
Beginning of Fiscal Year	61.6	65.1	69.1	73	75
Total Additions	3.5	4	4.9	4	6
Total Reductions	0	0	-1	-2	0
Total Positions	65.1	69.1	73	75	81

- Gained 16 staff since FY 14/15
- Lost one position in FY 16/17 in Timber Harvest
- Lost two positions in FY 17/18, one in SWAMP and one in TMDL/Basin Planning

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FY 18-19 Budget - New Resources

4 positions for Cannabis Unit: hired one WRCE, two ES, and one EG

1 position for an ES on Lake Tahoe Nearshore research and permitting

1 position for Admin staff in South Lake Tahoe

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Key Accomplishments

- Cannabis Program fully staffed and gave July 2018 workshop
- Triennial Review priority projects
- HAB public training, field kits, and response
- Adopted six LAMPs and a few SNMPs
- Enforced Lake Tahoe TMDL which reduced nearly 300,000 pounds of fine sediment in 2018 from entering the lake
- Obtained funding and began pilot testing to cleanup orphan perchlorate plume in Barstow and provided replacement water to DAC residents
- Trained all new staff in enforcement procedures
- Continued work on USEPA Vision Projects to address bacteria impairments in Bishop Creek and West Fork Carson River

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Performance Targets

FY 17-18, exceeded inspection Targets, short on permits

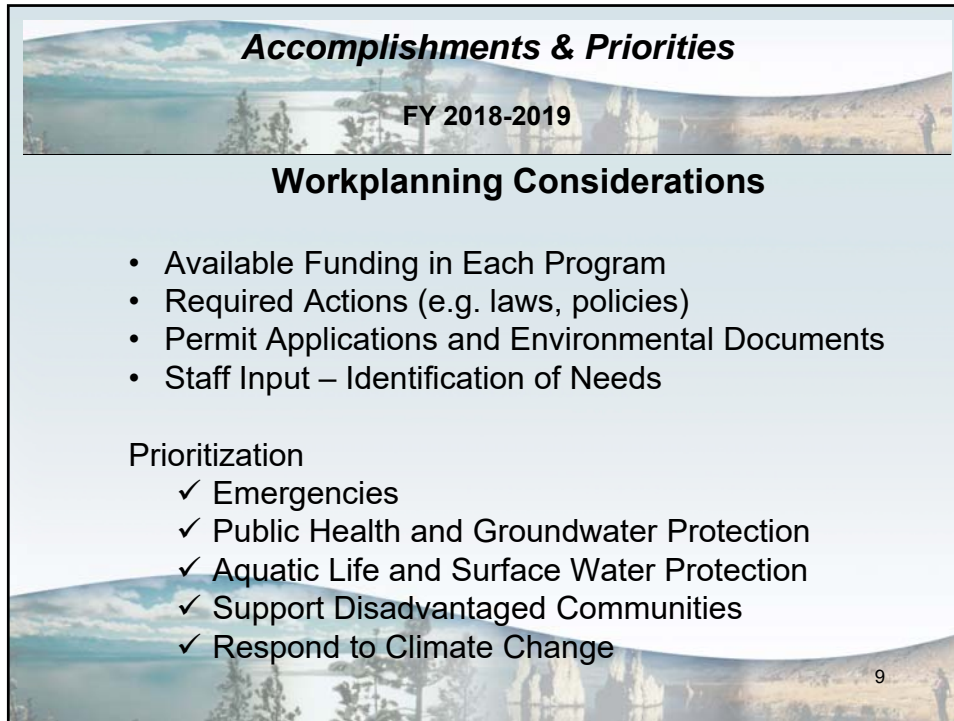
- 195 inspections of 160 targeted
- 3 permits of 7 targeted
- 11 UST cases closed of 21 targeted

FY 18-19, on track to meet most Targets

- 149 inspections completed to date of 229 targeted
- Already exceeded inspection targets for WDR

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Workplanning Considerations

- Available Funding in Each Program
- Required Actions (e.g. laws, policies)
- Permit Applications and Environmental Documents
- Staff Input – Identification of Needs

Prioritization

- ✓ Emergencies
- ✓ Public Health and Groundwater Protection
- ✓ Aquatic Life and Surface Water Protection
- ✓ Support Disadvantaged Communities
- ✓ Respond to Climate Change

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Challenges

Core Regulatory Program

- Existing & Unregulated Sites
- Under Staffed & New Staff
- New Administration

New Laws and Policies/Programs

- Fuel Reduction/Forest Health
- Emergency Response
- PFOAs & DOD Facilities
- Onsite Septic Tanks
- Climate Change
- Recycled Water Policy
- Sustainable Groundwater Management Plans
- Irrigated Agriculture General Order

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Adopted Statewide Policies

- Recycled Water Policy
- Bacteria Standards
- Irrigated Agriculture General Orders

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Priority General Orders, Plans, and Strategies Underway

- Climate Change Mitigation & Adaptation Strategy
- General Order for Federal Lands
- General Orders Domestic Wastewater, Industrial & Groundwater Remediation
- Core reviews SWAMP, land disposal & stormwater
- Confined Animal General Order
- 2018 Integrated Report

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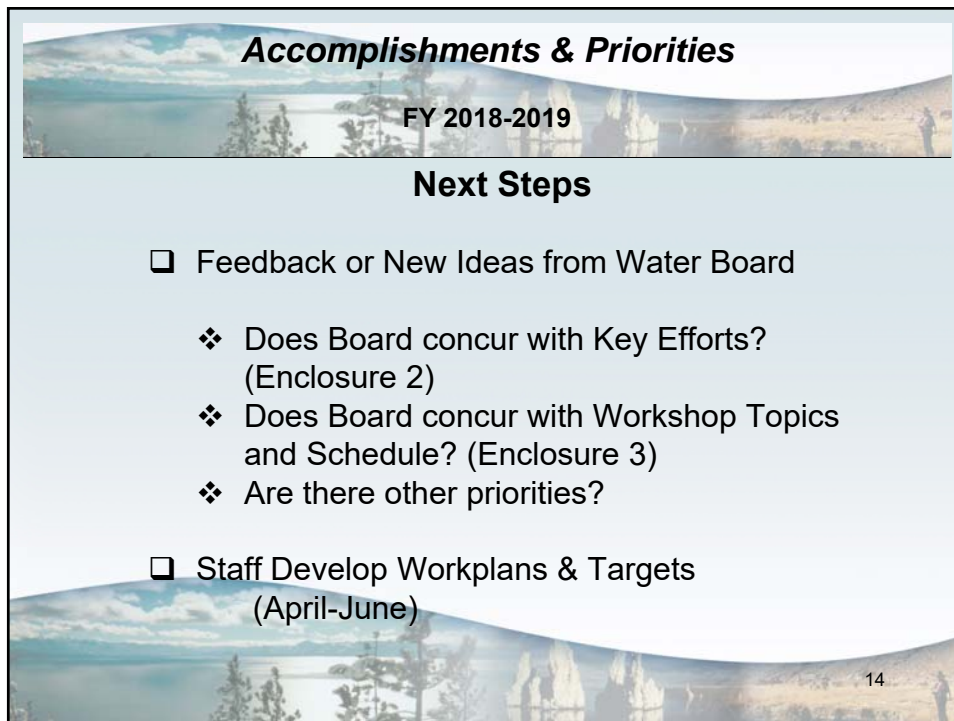
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Priority General Orders, Plans, and Strategies Under Consideration

- Irrigated Agriculture General Order
- Closed, Abandoned Landfills and Burn Dumps

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Next Steps

- Feedback or New Ideas from Water Board
 - ❖ Does Board concur with Key Efforts? (Enclosure 2)
 - ❖ Does Board concur with Workshop Topics and Schedule? (Enclosure 3)
 - ❖ Are there other priorities?
- Staff Develop Workplans & Targets (April-June)

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