Amendment to the Water Quality Control Plan - Los Angeles Region to incorporate the Los Angeles River Watershed Bacteria TMDL

Proposed for adoption by the California Regional Water Quality Control Board, Los Angeles Region on July, 9, 2010.

Amendments:

Table of Contents

Add:

Chapter 7. Total Maximum Daily Loads (TMDLs) Summaries 7-39 Los Angeles River Watershed Bacteria TMDL

List of Figures, Tables and Inserts

Add:

Chapter 7. Total Maximum Daily Loads (TMDLs) Tables

7-39 Los Angeles River Watershed Bacteria TMDL

7-39.1. Los Angeles River Watershed Bacteria TMDL: Elements

7-39.2. Los Angeles River Watershed Bacteria TMDL: Responsible Parties for Waste Load Allocations Assigned in the Los Angeles River Watershed Bacteria TMDL

7-39.3. Los Angeles River Watershed Bacteria TMDL: Implementation Schedule

Chapter 7. Total Maximum Daily Loads (TMDLs) Summaries Add:

7-39 Los Angeles River Watershed Bacteria TMDL

This TMDL was adopted by:

The Regional Water Quality Control Board on July 09, 2010.

This TMDL was approved by:

The State Water Resources Control Board on November 1, 2011.

The Office of Administrative Law on March 21, 2012.

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency on March 23, 2012.

The following table includes the elements of this TMDL.

Table 7-39.1. Los Angeles River Watershed Bacteria TMDL: Elements

Element	Findings and Regulatory Provisions
Problem Statement	Elevated bacteria indicator densities are causing impairment of the water contact recreation (REC-1) beneficial use at the 303(d) listed waterbodies within the Los Angeles River Watershed. Recreating in waters with elevated bacteria indicator densities has been associated with adverse health effects. Specifically, local and national epidemiological studies demonstrate a causal relationship between adverse health effects and recreational water quality, as measured by bacteria indicator densities.
Numeric Target (Interpretation of the numeric water quality objective, used to calculate allocations)	The TMDL has a multi-part numeric target based on the bacteriological water quality objectives for fresh water to protect the water contact recreation use set forth in Chapter 3. These targets are the most appropriate indicators of public health risk in recreational waters. The numeric targets for this TMDL are: 1. Geometric Mean Target
	bacteriological water quality. This approach recognizes that there are natural sources of bacteria that may cause or contribute to exceedances of the single sample objectives and that it is not the intent of the

Element	Findings and Regulatory Provisions
	Regional Board to require treatment or diversion of natural coastal creeks or to require treatment of natural sources of bacteria from undeveloped areas.
	For the single sample target, each river segment and tributary is assigned an allowable number of exceedance days for dry weather and wet weather (defined as days with 0.1 inch of rain or greater and the three days following the rain event.)
	The geometric mean target may not be exceeded at any time.
Source Analysis	Bacteria sources in the Los Angeles River Watershed include anthropogenic and non-anthropogenic sources and point and non-point sources. Each of these sources contributes to the elevated levels of bacteria indicator densities in the Los Angeles River Watershed during dry and wet weather. There are currently five major National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) permits or Waste Discharge Requirements (WDRs) for discharges to the Los Angeles River Watershed. Of these, three are Water Reclamation Plants (WRPs), including the Donald C. Tillman WRP, Los Angeles-Glendale WRP, and Burbank WRP.
	There are three Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System (MS4) NPDES permits in the watershed, including the County of Los Angeles and the Incorporated Cities Therein, except the City of Long Beach; the City of Long Beach; and the California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) (referenced hereafter as the MS4 Permittees), which regulate municipal stormwater and urban runoff discharges.
	Discharges from storm drains and tributaries contribute roughly 13% of the flow in the Los Angeles River, while the three WRPs contribute roughly 72% of the flow in the river during dry weather. However, discharges from storm drains contribute almost 90% of the <i>E. coli</i> loading from point sources to the river during dry weather. During wet weather, WRP discharges may account for as little as 1% of the total flow in the river. While there are many sources of indicator bacteria to the MS4, discharges from the MS4 are the principal source of bacteria to the Los Angeles River and its tributaries in both dry weather and wet weather.
	Discharges from general NPDES permits, general industrial stormwater permits, general construction stormwater permits, industrial waste water permits, and WDR permits are not a significant source of bacteria to the river.
	Non-point sources include wildlife, direct human discharges, septic

Element	Findings and Regulatory Provisions		
	systems, equestrian activities, and birds. Though sanitary sewer overflows are frequent within the watershed they are estimated to account for only 2% of the total dry-weather load and a small portion of the wet-weather load. Non-point sources may also include in-channel sources such as re-growth or re-suspension from sediments; the relative contribution of such sources is unknown.		
Waste Load Allocations (for point	Waste load allocations (WLAs) are expressed as allowable exceedance days.		
sources)	The allowable number of exceedance days for dry weather and wet weather is based on the more stringent of two criteria (1) exceedance days in the designated reference system and (2) exceedance days based on historical bacteriological data in the subject reach. This ensures that bacteriological water quality is at least as good as that of a largely undeveloped system and that there is no degradation of existing water quality.		
	For this TMDL, the mainstem of the Los Angeles River was broken down into segments for allocations due to the availability of flow data.		
	 Segment A includes Reaches 1 and a portion of Reach 2 Segment B includes a portion of Reach 2 Segment C includes Reach 3 and a portion of Reach 4 Segment D includes a portion of Reach 4 and Reach 5 Segment E includes Reach 6 		
	For each segment and tributary, allowable exceedance days are set on an annual basis as well as for dry weather and wet weather days.		
	Certain reaches and tributaries of the Los Angeles River are subject to a High Flow Suspension (HFS) of the recreational beneficial uses as identified in Chapter 2. The HFS applies during specified conditions as defined in Chapter 2. During these conditions, the REC-1 and REC-2 beneficial uses are suspended for the affected reaches and tributaries.		
	For MS4 dischargers, the final dry-weather WLAs and wet-weather WLAs for the single sample targets are listed below.		
	Allowable Number of Exceedance Days Daily Sampling Weekly Sampling		

Element	Findings and Regulatory Provisions		
	Dry Weather	5	1
	Non-HFS ¹ Waterbodies Wet Weather	15	2
	HFS Waterbodies Wet Weather	10 (not including HSF days)	2 (not including HSF days)

The final WLAs for the geometric mean target during any time at any river segment and tributary in the Los Angeles River Watershed is zero (0) days of allowable exceedances. In addition, MS4 dischargers are assigned interim WLAs for dry weather. Interim dry weather WLAs are assigned for specific river segments and tributaries and are listed in the table, below.

River Segment or Tributary	E. coli Load (10 ⁹ MPN ² /Day)
Los Angeles River Segment ³ A	301
Los Angeles River Segment B	518
Los Angeles River Segment C	463
Los Angeles River Segment D	454
Los Angeles River Segment E	32
Aliso Canyon Wash	23
Arroyo Seco	24
Bell Creek	14
Bull Creek	9
Burbank Western Channel	86
Compton Creek	7
Dry Canyon	7
McCoy Canyon	7
Rio Hondo	2
Tujunga Wash	10
Verdugo Wash	51

Unexpectedly high-loading outfalls may be excluded from interim compliance calculations under the following circumstances: If an outfall which was 1) loading *E. coli* at a rate less than the 25th percentile of outfalls during the monitoring events used to develop the "MS4 Load Reduction Strategy" (LRS), but, at the time of compliance monitoring, is 2) loading *E. coli* at a rate greater than the 90th percentile of outfalls,

¹ HFS stands for high flow suspension as defined in Chapter 2.

² MPN stands for most probable number.

³ The segments are defined in the Staff Report.

Element	Findings and Regulatory Provisions
	and 3) actions are taken prior to the end of the first phase (i.e. 10 years after the beginning of the segment or tributary specific phase) such that the outfall is returned to a loading less than the 50th percentile of the outfalls at compliance monitoring, then the 90th percentile data from the outfall can be excluded from the compliance loading calculations. Likewise, if an outfall which was 1) the subject of a dry weather diversion is found, at the time of compliance monitoring, to be 2) contributing greater than the 90th percentile loading rate, and 3) actions are taken such that the outfall is returned to a loading less than the 50th percentile of the outfalls at compliance monitoring, and a maintenance schedule for the diversion is submitted with the compliance report, then the 90th percentile data from the outfall can be excluded from the compliance loading calculations.
	MS4 dischargers can demonstrate compliance with the final dry weather WLAs by demonstrating that final WLA are met instream or by demonstrating one of the following conditions at outfalls to the receiving waters: 1. Flow-weighted concentration of <i>E. coli</i> in MS4 discharges during dry weather is less than or equal to 235 MPN/100mL, based on a weighted-average using flow rates from all measured outfalls; 2. Zero discharge during dry weather; 3. Demonstration of compliance as specified in the MS4 NPDES permit which may include the use of BMPs where the permit's administrative record supports that the BMPs are expected to be sufficient to implement the WLA in the TMDL, the use of calculated loading rates such that loading of <i>E. coli</i> to the segment or tributary during dry weather is less than or equal to a calculated loading rates that would not cause or contribute to exceedances based on a loading capacity representative of conditions in the River at the time of compliance or other appropriate method.
	In addition, individual or subgroups of MS4 dischargers can differentiate their dry weather discharges from other dischargers or upstream contributions by demonstrating one of the following conditions at outfalls to the receiving waters or at segment, tributary or jurisdictional boundaries: 1. Flow-weighted concentration of <i>E. coli</i> in individual or subgroup MS4 discharge during dry weather is less than or equal to 235 MPN/100mL, based on a weighted-average using flow rates from all measured outfalls; 2. Zero discharge from individual or subgroup MS4 dischargers during dry weather; 3. Demonstration that the MS4 loading of <i>E. coli</i> to the segment or tributary during dry weather is less than or equal to a calculated

Element	Findings and Regulatory Provisions			
	loading rates that would based on the loading capa River at the time of comp	not cause or contri acity representativ		
	The interim and final WLAs are group-based, shared among all MS4s that drain to a segment or tributary. However, WLA may be distributed based on proportional drainage area, upon approval of the Executive Officer.			
	General NPDES permits, indiv Industrial Storm Water General Activity Storm Water General Angeles River Watershed are a allowable exceedances of the s weather and no exceedances of with an effluent limit based on demonstrate compliance with t include stormwater effluent lin receiving waters, are assigned the table for MS4 dischargers of drained is open natural land an Regional Board that any exceed The WLAs for the three WRPs Tillman, Los Angeles-Glendal day median of 2.2 MPN/100 m MPN/100mL to ensure zero (0	al Permit, the State Permit, and WDR assigned WLAs of single sample targe of the geometric means the water quality the WLA. In addinitations for sites, WLA for those site listed above, where a dadances are due to so in the watershed, e, and Burbank Wall of E. coli or a desired permit of the watershed, and Burbank Wall of E. coli or a desired permit of the watershed, and burbank Wall of E. coli or a desired permit of the watershed, and Burbank Wall of E. coli or a desired permit of the watershed, and Burbank Wall of E. coli or a desired permit of the watershed, and Burbank Wall of E. coli or a desired permit of the watershed, and Burbank Wall of E. coli or a desired permit of the watershed, and Burbank Wall of E. coli or a desired permit of the watershed, and Burbank Wall of E. coli or a desired permit of the watershed, and Burbank Wall of E. coli or a desired permit of the watershed, and the watershed permit of the watershed per	ewide Construction I permittees in the Los I zero (0) days of et for both dry and we ean target. Compliance objective can be used tion, permits which which are measured it tes in accordance with the the subwatershed has been made to the natural sources. Which include D.C. IRP, are set equal to a laily max of 235	t ce to n
Load Allocations	exceedances of the geometric mean target shall be permitted.			
(for non-point	Load allocations (LAs) are expressed as the number of daily or weekly sample days that may exceed the single sample target identified under		,	
sources)	"Numeric Target."			
	Lands not covered by a MS4 permit, such as the US Forest Service lands, California Department of Parks and Recreation lands, or National Park Service lands are assigned LAs. The dry-weather LAs and wetweather LAs for the single sample target are listed in the table, below.			
	Allowable Number of Exceedance Days	Daily Sampling	Weekly Sampling	
	Dry Weather	5	1	
	Non-HFS ⁴ Waterbodies Wet Weather	15	2	

_

⁴ HFS stands for high flow suspension as defined in Chapter 2.

Element	Findings and Regulatory Provisions		
	HFS Waterbodies Wet Weather 10 (not including HSF days) 2 (not including HSF days)		
	Onsite Wastewater Treatment Systems are assigned LAs of zero (0) days of allowable exceedances for both dry and wet weather for the single sample target and geometric mean target.		
	In addition, sewer collection systems are assigned LAs of zero (0) days of allowable exceedances for both dry and wet weather for the single sample target and the geometric mean target.		
	The LAs for the geometric mean target for any responsible party during any time at any river segment and tributary in the Los Angeles River Watershed is zero (0) days of allowable exceedances.		
Implementation	The regulatory mechanisms used to implement the TMDL will include general NPDES permits, individual NPDES permits, MS4 Permits covering jurisdictions within the Los Angeles River Watershed, the Statewide Industrial Storm Water General Permit, the Statewide Construction Activity Storm Water General Permit, the Statewide Stormwater Permit for Caltrans Activities, and the authority contained in Sections 13263 and 13267 of the Cal. Water Code. For each discharger assigned a WLA, the appropriate Regional Board Order shall be reopened or amended when the order is reissued, in accordance with applicable laws, to incorporate the applicable WLA as a permit requirement.		
	LAs for onsite wastewater treatment systems will be implemented through WDRs or waivers of WDRs. LAs for other nonpoint sources such as horses/livestock, aquaculture, irrigated agriculture, and golf courses, will be implemented through the Nonpoint Source Implementation and Enforcement Policy.		
	This TMDL will be implemented through the mechanisms above in accordance with the implementation schedule. The implementation schedule is detailed in Table 7-39.3.		
	MS4 Permittees may achieve the WLAs by employing any viable and legal implementation strategy. A recommended implementation approach is the LRS approach and requires coordinated effort by all MS4 Permittees within a segment or tributary. Each LRS must quantitatively demonstrate that the actions contained within the LRS are sufficient to result in attainment of the <i>final</i> WLAs. The <i>interim</i> WLAs represent a minimum threshold that must be attained after those actions are taken, per the implementation schedule. An LRS shall be approved		

Element	Findings and Regulatory Provisions	
	by the Regional Board Executive Officer prior to implementation.	
	Individual MS4 Permittees or subgroups of MS4 Permittees may choose to develop and implement alternative implementation strategies for dry weather implementation, then the group-based WLAs may be distributed based on proportional drainage area, upon approval of the Executive Officer. The implementation approaches herein, including the use of an MS4 Load Reduction Strategy, can still be followed based on the proportional WLAs. For MS4 Permittees that choose to <i>not</i> follow a MS4 Load Reduction Strategy, the compliance schedule to attain final WLAs is shorter because only one implementation phase is allowed.	
	For the wet weather WLA, responsible parties must provide an Implementation Plan to the Regional Board outlining how each intends to cooperatively achieve compliance with the wet-weather WLAs. The report shall include implementation methods, an implementation schedule, and proposed milestones. The plan shall include a technically defensible quantitative linkage to the final wet-weather WLAs. The linkage should include target reductions in stormwater runoff and/or <i>E. coli</i> . The plan shall include quantitative estimates of the water quality benefits provided by the proposed structural and non-structural BMPs. Responsible parties may propose wet-weather load-based compliance at MS4 outfalls, which shall include an estimate of existing load and the allowable load from MS4 outfalls to attain the allowable number of exceedance days instream.	
	Twenty-five years after the effective date of the TMDL, final WLAs and LAs shall be achieved at all segments and tributaries for dry and wet weather. Regional Board staff shall convene and oversee a workgroup, or shall participate in a stakeholder-led workgroup, to address technical and regulatory issues associated with the Los Angeles River Bacterial TMDL, which may include, where appropriate a re-evaluation of recreational uses in the Los Angeles River, re-evaluation of the high flow suspension on a site specific basis, prioritization of bacteria risk, re-evaluation of bacteria objectives for fresh water, re-evaluation of implementation provisions and compliance metrics. These re-evaluations support both this TMDL and also support many of the current triennial review priorities identified by the Board.	
	The workgroup shall provide technical input for stakeholder-led technical studies and may serve to provide technical input during the scoping and development of related Basin Plan Amendments that will be considered by the Regional Board.	

Element	Findings and Regulatory Provisions
	Over the course of TMDL implementation, the TMDL shall be reconsidered to incorporate new information from these stakeholder-led technical studies, or other scientific studies, or to address revisions to water quality standards, such as adoption of revised water quality objectives based on recommendations from USEPA, or a revised implementation schedule. The schedule in Table 7-39.3 includes several specific re-consideration opportunities.
Margin of Safety	An explicit margin of safety is included in the allocations. Cumulatively, the dry-weather and wet-weather WLAs and LAs allow exceedances of the single sample target no more than 5% of the time on an annual basis. The <i>Water Quality Control Policy for Developing California's Clean Water Act Section 303(d) List</i> concludes that there are water quality impairments using a binomial distribution method, which lists waterbodies as impaired when the exceedances are between approximately 8 and 10 percent. An implicit margin of safety is incorporated in the interim allocations through the use of a conservative assumption of no (0) bacterial decay in discharges from storm drains to the receiving water when determining the assimilative capacity of the river segments and tributaries.
Seasonal Variations and Critical Conditions	Seasonal variations are addressed by developing separate allocations for dry weather and wet weather based on observed natural background levels of exceedance of bacteria indicators. Historic monitoring data for the Los Angeles River Watershed indicate that the critical condition for bacteria loading is during wet weather due
	to greater exceedance probabilities of the single sample bacteria objective than during dry weather. The 90 th percentile 'storm year' ⁵ in terms of wet days ⁶ is used as the reference year. Selecting the 90 th percentile year is a conservative approach that will accommodate a 'worst-case' scenario resulting in fewer exceedance days than the maximum allowed in drier years. Conversely, in the 10% of wetter years, there may be more than the allowable number of exceedance days.
Compliance Monitoring	For MS4 Permittees, monitoring shall entail compliance monitoring to assess attainment of WLAs and monitoring in support of Load Reduction Strategies or alternative compliance strategy and wet-weather implementation plans.

⁵ For purposes of this TMDL, a 'storm year' means November 1 to October 31. The 90th percentile storm year was 1993 with 75 wet days at the LAX meteorological station.
⁶ A wet day is defined as a day with rainfall of 0.1 inch or more plus the 3 days following the rain event.

Element	Findings and Regulatory Provisions	
	An ambient water quality monitoring program shall be conducted by responsible parties as set forth in a Bacteria Coordinated Monitoring Plan (CMP), which shall be submitted for Executive Officer approval per the TMDL implementation schedule. The CMP shall detail: the number and location of sites, including at least one monitoring station per each river segment, reach and tributary addressed under this TMDL; measurements and sample collection methods; and monitoring frequencies. Responsible parties may also include in the CMP, for Executive Officer consideration, other meteorological stations which may be more representative of the existing hydrology and climate.	
	Each segment, reach, and tributary addressed under this TMDL shall be monitored at least monthly until the subject segment, reach or tributary is at the end of the execution part of its first implementation phase (i.e. 7 years after beginning the segment or tributary-specific phase), to determine compliance with the interim WLA. Each segment, reach and tributary addressed under this TMDL shall be monitored at least weekly to determine compliance with the instream targets after the first implementation phase.	
	For parties pursuing an LRS, intensive outfall monitoring will be conducted before and after implementation of the LRS. Pre-LRS monitoring will be used to estimate the <i>E. coli</i> loading from MS4 outfalls to the segment or tributary, and identify the outfalls and types of implementation actions that are expected to be necessary to attain the WLAs. Post-LRS monitoring will be used to evaluate compliance with the interim WLA and to plan for additional implementation actions to meet the final WLAs, in a second implementation phase, if necessary.	
	When applicable, outfall monitoring shall including <i>E. coli</i> by USEPA-approved methods and flow rate at <i>all</i> MS4 outfalls ("snapshots") that are discharging to a segment or tributary or across jurisdictional boundaries during a given monitoring event. For each Load Reduction Strategy, at least six (6) snapshots shall be conducted for pre-LRS monitoring, and at least three (3) snapshots shall be conducted for post-LRS monitoring. For MS4s that choose to follow a non-LRS implementation approach, but choose to demonstrate compliance with Equivalent Conditions, at least six (6) snapshots shall be conducted.	
	Responsible parties pursuing an alternative compliance strategies shall propose monitoring to support the plan.	
	The Wet Weather Implementation Plans shall propose monitoring to support the Wet Weather Implementation Plans.	

Element	Findings and Regulatory Provisions	
	Monitoring for dischargers other than MS4 permittees to determine compliance with WLAs and LAs shall be established through monitoring and reporting programs conducted as part of the discharger's permit/waste discharge/waiver requirements and through implementation of the Nonpoint Source Implementation and Enforcement Policy, for nonpoint sources.	

7-39.2. Los Angeles River Bacteria TMDL: Responsible Parties for Waste Load or Load Allocations

Responsible				geles gme						Los An	geles River	Tributar	·y			
Entity	A	В	С	D	Е	Aliso Canyon Wash	Arroyo Seco	Bell Creek	Bull Creek	Burbank Western Channel	Compton Creek	Dry Canyon Creek	McCoy Canyon Creek	Rio Hondo	Tujunga Wash	Verdugo Wash
Alhambra														V		
Arcadia														$\sqrt{}$		
Bell																
Bell Gardens																
Bradbury														V		
Burbank										$\sqrt{}$						
Bureau of					. 1											
Land																
Management													,			
Calabasas												V	√			
CA Dept. of				. 1	. 1											
Parks and																
Recreation	,	,									,		,			
Caltrans						$\sqrt{}$	$\sqrt{}$	V	√	$\sqrt{}$	V	√	V	V	V	$\sqrt{}$
Carson		,									√					
Commerce	,	√									,			V		
Compton		√									√					
Cudahy		√														
Downey														V		
Duarte														V		
El Monte			L											V		
Glendale							$\sqrt{}$,		$\sqrt{}$,		V	$\sqrt{}$
Hidden Hills								V								
Huntington Park											$\sqrt{}$					

Responsible				geles						Los An	geles River	· Tributaı	·y			
Entity	A	В	С	D	Е	Aliso Canyon Wash	Arroyo Seco	Bell Creek	Bull Creek	Burbank Western Channel	Compton Creek	Dry Canyon Creek	McCoy Canyon Creek	Rio Hondo	Tujunga Wash	Verdugo Wash
Irwindale														$\sqrt{}$		
La Cañada Flintridge			1				V									√
Lakewood																
Long Beach	$\sqrt{}$										V					
Los Angeles							$\sqrt{}$		V			V	$\sqrt{}$			
Los Angeles County			1		~	$\sqrt{}$	$\sqrt{}$	√	$\sqrt{}$		$\sqrt{}$	$\sqrt{}$	\checkmark	$\sqrt{}$	\checkmark	√
LA County Flood Control	√	√	V	1	1	V	V	V	V	V	V	V	V	V	V	V
Lynwood											V					
Maywood		V									,					
Monrovia														$\sqrt{}$		
Montebello														V		
Monterey Park		1												$\sqrt{}$		
National Park Service				1	1											
Paramount																
Pasadena							$\sqrt{}$							$\sqrt{}$		$\sqrt{}$
Pico Rivera														$\sqrt{}$		
Rosemead														$\sqrt{}$		
San Fernando															√	
San Gabriel														$\sqrt{}$		

Responsible			Ang Seg							Los An	geles River	· Tributar	·y			
Entity	A	В	С	D	Е	Aliso Canyon Wash	Arroyo Seco	Bell Creek	Bull Creek	Burbank Western Channel	Compton Creek	Dry Canyon Creek	McCoy Canyon Creek	Rio Hondo	Tujunga Wash	Verdugo Wash
San Marino																
Santa Clarita									√							
Sierra Madre														$\sqrt{}$		
Signal Hill																
South El Monte														$\sqrt{}$		
South Gate											V			$\sqrt{}$		
South Pasadena		1					$\sqrt{}$							$\sqrt{}$		
State Land Commission					1											
Temple City														V		
U.S. Forest Service							V		√					√	V	V
Vernon											$\sqrt{}$					

7-39.3. Los Angeles River Bacteria TMDL: Implementation Schedule

Italics in this Table refer to Permittees using an alternative compliance plan instead of an LRS.

Implementation Action	Responsible Parties	Deadline			
Segment by Segment Schedule Dry V	Veather (Schedule for all river and wet we	eather is at the end of the Table)			
SEGMENT B (upper and middle Rea	nch 2 – Figueroa Street to Rosecrans Aver	nue) Dry Weather			
First phase – Segment B					
Submit a Load Reduction Strategy (LRS) for Segment B (or submit an alternative compliance plan)	MS4 and Caltrans NPDES Permittees discharging to Segment B	2.5 years after effective date of the TMDL			
Approve LRS (or alternative compliance plan)	Regional Board, Executive Officer	6 months after submittal of LRS			
Complete implementation of LRS	MS4 and Caltrans NPDES Permittees discharging to Segment B, if using LRS	7 years after effective date of the TMDL			
Achieve interim (or final) WLA and submit report to Regional Board	MS4 and Caltrans NPDES Permittees discharging to Segment B, if using LRS	10 years after effective date of the TMDL			
Achieve final WLA or demonstrate that non-compliance is due to upstream contributions and submit report to Regional Board	MS4 and Caltrans NPDES Permittees discharging to Segment B, if using alternative compliance plan	10 years after effective date of the TMDL			
Second phase, if necessary – Segment	B (LRS only)				
Submit a new LRS	MS4 and Caltrans NPDES Permittees discharging to Segment B	11 years after effective date of the TMDL			
Approve LRS	Regional Board, Executive Officer	6 months after submittal of a second LRS			
Complete implementation of LRS	MS4 and Caltrans NPDES Permittees discharging to Segment B, if using LRS	14.5 years after effective date of the TMDL			
Achieve final WLAs in Segment B or demonstrate that non-compliance is only due to upstream contributions and submit report to Regional Board	MS4 and Caltrans NPDES Permittees discharging to Segment B, if using LRS	16.5 years after effective date of the TMDL			
SEGMENT B TRIBUTARIES (Rio I	Hondo and Arroyo Seco) Dry Weather	1			
First phase – Segment B Tributaries	(Rio Hondo and Arroyo Seco)				
Submit a Load Reduction Strategy (LRS) for Segment B tributaries (or submit an alternative compliance plan)	MS4 and Caltrans NPDES Permittees discharging to Segment B tributaries	4 years after effective date of the TMDL			
Approve LRS (or alternative compliance plan)	Regional Board, Executive Officer	6 months after submittal of LRS			
Complete implementation of LRS	MS4 and Caltrans NPDES Permittees discharging to Segment B tributaries, if using LRS	8.5 years after effective date of the TMDL			

Implementation Action	Responsible Parties	Deadline			
Achieve interim (or final) WLA and submit report to Regional Board	MS4 and Caltrans NPDES Permittees discharging to Segment B tributaries, if using LRS	11.5 years after effective date of the TMDL			
Achieve final WLA or demonstrate that non-compliance is only due to upstream contributions and submit report to Regional Board	MS4 and Caltrans NPDES Permittees discharging to Segment B tributaries, if using alternative compliance plan	11.5 years after effective date of the TMDL			
Second phase, if necessary – SEGME	ENT B TRIBUTARIES (Rio Hondo and A	rroyo Seco) (LRS only)			
Submit a new LRS	MS4 and Caltrans NPDES Permittees discharging to Segment B tributaries	12.5 years after effective date of the TMDL			
Approve LRS	Regional Board, Executive Officer	6 months after submittal of a second LRS			
Complete implementation of LRS	MS4 and Caltrans NPDES Permittees discharging to Segment B tributaries, if using LRS	16 years after effective date of the TMDL			
Achieve final WLAs Segment B tributaries or demonstrate that non-compliance is due to upstream contributions and submit report to Regional Board	MS4 and Caltrans NPDES Permittees discharging to Segment B tributaries, if using LRS	18 years after effective date of the TMDL			
SEGMENT A (lower Reach 2 and Re	each 1 – Rosecrans Avenue to Willow Stre	et) Dry Weather			
First phase – Segment A					
Submit a Load Reduction Strategy (LRS) for Segment A (or submit an alternative compliance plan)	MS4 and Caltrans NPDES Permittees discharging to Segment A	4.5 years after effective date of the TMDL			
Approve LRS (or alternative compliance plan)	Regional Board, Executive Officer	6 months after submittal of LRS			
Complete implementation of LRS	MS4 and Caltrans NPDES Permittees discharging to Segment A, if using LRS	9 years after effective date of the TMDL			
Achieve interim (or final) WLA and submit report to Regional Board	MS4 and Caltrans NPDES Permittees discharging to Segment A, if using LRS	12 years after effective date of the TMDL			
Achieve final WLA or demonstrate that non-compliance is due to upstream contributions and submit report to Regional Board	MS4 and Caltrans NPDES Permittees discharging to Segment A, if using alternative compliance plan	12 years after effective date of the TMDL			
Second phase, if necessary – Segmen	t A (LRS only)	1			
Submit a new LRS	MS4 and Caltrans NPDES Permittees discharging to Segment A	13 years after effective date of the TMDL			
Approve LRS	Regional Board, Executive Officer	6 months after submittal of a second LRS			

Implementation Action	Responsible Parties	Deadline		
Complete implementation of LRS	MS4 and Caltrans NPDES Permittees discharging to Segment A, if using LRS	17.5 years after effective date of the TMDL		
Achieve final WLAs in Segment A or demonstrate that non-compliance is due to upstream contributions and submit report to Regional Board	MS4 and Caltrans NPDES Permittees discharging to Segment A, if using LRS	19.5 years after effective date of the TMDL		
SEGMENT A TRIBUTARY (Compto	on Creek) Dry Weather	1		
First phase – Segment A Tributary				
Submit a Load Reduction Strategy (LRS) for Segment A tributary (or submit an alternative compliance plan)	MS4 and Caltrans NPDES Permittees discharging to Segment A tributary	6 years after effective date of the TMDL		
Approve LRS (or alternative compliance plan)	Regional Board, Executive Officer	6 months after submittal of LRS		
Complete implementation of LRS	MS4 and Caltrans NPDES Permittees discharging to Segment A tributary if using LRS	10.5 years after effective date of the TMDL		
Achieve interim (or final) WLA and submit report to Regional Board	MS4 and Caltrans NPDES Permittees discharging to Segment A tributary if using LRS	13.5 years after effective date of the TMDL		
Achieve final WLA or demonstrate that non-compliance is due to upstream contributions and submit report to Regional Board	MS4 and Caltrans NPDES Permittees discharging to Segment A tributary, if using alternative compliance plan	13.5 years after effective date of the TMDL		
Second phase, if necessary – Segment	A tributary (LRS only)			
Submit a new LRS	MS4 and Caltrans NPDES Permittees discharging to Segment A tributary	14.5 years after effective date of the TMDL		
Approve LRS	Regional Board, Executive Officer	6 months after submittal of a second LRS		
Complete implementation of LRS	MS4 and Caltrans NPDES Permittees discharging to Segment A tributary, if using LRS	18 years after effective date of the TMDL		
Achieve final WLAs in Segment A tributary or demonstrate that non-compliance is due to upstream contributions and submit report to Regional Board	MS4 and Caltrans NPDES Permittees discharging to Segment A tributary, if using LRS	20 years after effective date o the TMDL		
SEGMENT E (Reach 6 – LA River h Boulevard) Dry Weather	eadwaters [confluence with Bell Creek a	and Calabasas Creek] to Balbo		
First phase – Segment E				

Implementation Action	Responsible Parties	Deadline		
Submit a Load Reduction Strategy (LRS) for Segment E (or submit an alternative compliance plan)	MS4 and Caltrans NPDES Permittees discharging to Segment E	5.5 years after effective date of the TMDL		
Approve LRS (or alternative compliance plan)	Regional Board, Executive Officer	6 months after submittal of LRS		
Complete implementation of LRS	MS4 and Caltrans NPDES Permittees discharging to Segment E, if using LRS	10 years after effective date of the TMDL		
Achieve interim (or final) WLA and submit report to Regional Board	MS4 and Caltrans NPDES Permittees discharging to Segment E, if using LRS	13 years after effective date of the TMDL		
Achieve final WLA or demonstrate that non-compliance is due to upstream contributions and submit report to Regional Board	MS4 and Caltrans NPDES Permittees discharging to Segment E, if using alternative compliance plan	13 years after effective date of the TMDL		
Second phase, if necessary –Segment	E, (LRS only)	1		
Submit a new LRS	MS4 and Caltrans NPDES Permittees discharging to Segment E	14 years after effective date of the TMDL		
Approve LRS	Regional Board, Executive Officer	6 months after submittal of a second LRS		
Complete implementation of LRS	MS4 and Caltrans NPDES Permittees discharging to Segment E, if using LRS	17.5 years after effective date of the TMDL		
Achieve final WLAs in Segment E or demonstrate that non-compliance is due to upstream contributions and submit report to Regional Board	MS4 and Caltrans NPDES Permittees discharging to Segment E, if using LRS	19.5 years after effective date of the TMDL		
SEGMENT E TRIBUTARIES (Dry Weather	Canyon Creek, McCoy Creek, Bell Creek	k, and Aliso Canyon Wash) Dry		
First phase – Segment E Tributaries				
Submit a Load Reduction Strategy (LRS) for Segment E tributaries (or submit an alternative compliance plan)	MS4 and Caltrans NPDES Permittees discharging to Segment E tributaries	9.5 years after effective date of the TMDL		
Approve LRS (or alternative compliance plan)	Regional Board, Executive Officer	6 months after submittal of LRS		
Complete implementation of LRS	MS4 and Caltrans NPDES Permittees discharging to Segment E tributaries if using LRS	14 years after effective date of the TMDL		
Achieve interim (or final) WLA and submit report to Regional Board	MS4 and Caltrans NPDES Permittees discharging to Segment E tributaries, if using LRS	17 years after effective date of the TMDL		

Implementation Action	Responsible Parties	Deadline			
Achieve final WLA or demonstrate that non-compliance is due to upstream contributions and submit report to Regional Board	MS4 and Caltrans NPDES Permittees discharging to Segment E tributaries, if using alternative compliance plan	17 years after effective date of the TMDL			
Second phase, if necessary – Segmen	t E tributaries (LRS only)				
Submit a new LRS	MS4 and Caltrans NPDES Permittees discharging to Segment E tributaries	18 years after effective date of the TMDL			
Approve LRS	Regional Board, Executive Officer	6 months after submittal of a second LRS			
Complete implementation of LRS	MS4 and Caltrans NPDES Permittees discharging to Segment E tributaries, if using LRS	21.5 years after effective date of the TMDL			
Achieve final WLAs in Segment E tributaries or demonstrate that non-compliance is due to upstream contributions and submit report to Regional Board	MS4 and Caltrans NPDES Permittees discharging to Segment E tributaries, if using LRS	23.5 years after effective date of the TMDL			
Segment C Tributaries (Tujunga Wa Segment D (Reach 5 and upper Reac	h 3 – Tujunga Avenue to Figueroa Street) ash, Burbank Western Channel, and Verd ch 4 – Balboa Boulevard to Tujunga Avenu	ugo Wash) Dry Weather			
Segment C Tributaries (Tujunga Wa Segment D (Reach 5 and upper Reac Segment D Tributaries (Bull Creek)	ash, Burbank Western Channel, and Verd ch 4 – Balboa Boulevard to Tujunga Avenu Dry Weather	ugo Wash) Dry Weather ue) Dry Weather			
Segment C Tributaries (Tujunga Wa Segment D (Reach 5 and upper Reac Segment D Tributaries (Bull Creek) First phase – Segment C, Segment C Submit a Load Reduction Strategies (LRS) for Segment C, Segment C tributaries, Segment D, Segment D	ash, Burbank Western Channel, and Verdeh 4 – Balboa Boulevard to Tujunga Avenu Dry Weather Tributaries, Segment D, Segment D tribu MS4 and Caltrans NPDES Permittees discharging to Segment C, Segment C tributaries, Segment D, Segment D	ugo Wash) Dry Weather ue) Dry Weather			
Segment C Tributaries (Tujunga Wa Segment D (Reach 5 and upper Reac Segment D Tributaries (Bull Creek) First phase – Segment C, Segment C Submit a Load Reduction Strategies (LRS) for Segment C, Segment C	ash, Burbank Western Channel, and Verdeh 4 – Balboa Boulevard to Tujunga Avenu Dry Weather Tributaries, Segment D, Segment D tribu MS4 and Caltrans NPDES Permittees discharging to Segment C, Segment C	ugo Wash) Dry Weather ue) Dry Weather taries 11 years after effective date of			
Segment C Tributaries (Tujunga Wa Segment D (Reach 5 and upper Reac Segment D Tributaries (Bull Creek) First phase – Segment C, Segment C Submit a Load Reduction Strategies (LRS) for Segment C, Segment C tributaries, Segment D, Segment D tributaries (or submit an alternative	ash, Burbank Western Channel, and Verdeh 4 – Balboa Boulevard to Tujunga Avenu Dry Weather Tributaries, Segment D, Segment D tribu MS4 and Caltrans NPDES Permittees discharging to Segment C, Segment C tributaries, Segment D, Segment D	ugo Wash) Dry Weather ue) Dry Weather taries 11 years after effective date of			
Segment C Tributaries (Tujunga Wasegment D (Reach 5 and upper Reac Segment D Tributaries (Bull Creek) First phase – Segment C, Segment C Submit a Load Reduction Strategies (LRS) for Segment C, Segment C tributaries, Segment D, Segment D tributaries (or submit an alternative compliance plan) Approve LRS (or alternative	Ash, Burbank Western Channel, and Verdeh 4 – Balboa Boulevard to Tujunga Avent Dry Weather Tributaries, Segment D, Segment D tributaries, Segment C, Segment C tributaries, Segment D, Segment D tributaries, Segment D, Segment D	ugo Wash) Dry Weather ue) Dry Weather taries 11 years after effective date of the TMDL 6 months after submittal of			
Segment C Tributaries (Tujunga Wa Segment D (Reach 5 and upper Reac Segment D Tributaries (Bull Creek) First phase – Segment C, Segment C Submit a Load Reduction Strategies (LRS) for Segment C, Segment C tributaries, Segment D, Segment D tributaries (or submit an alternative compliance plan) Approve LRS (or alternative compliance plan)	Ash, Burbank Western Channel, and Verdeh 4 – Balboa Boulevard to Tujunga Avent Dry Weather Tributaries, Segment D, Segment D tributaries, Segment D, Segment C, Segment C tributaries, Segment D, Segment D tributaries Regional Board, Executive Officer MS4 and Caltrans NPDES Permittees discharging to Segment C, Segment C tributaries, Segment D, Segment C tributaries, Segment C, Segment C tributaries, Segment D, Segment D	ugo Wash) Dry Weather ue) Dry Weather taries 11 years after effective date of the TMDL 6 months after submittal of LRS 15.5 years after effective date			

Implementation Action	Responsible Parties	Deadline		
Submit a new LRS	MS4 and Caltrans NPDES Permittees discharging to Segment C, Segment C tributaries, Segment D, Segment D tributaries	19.5 years after effective date of the TMDL		
Approve LRS	Regional Board, Executive Officer	6 months after submittal of a second LRS		
Complete implementation of LRS	MS4 and Caltrans NPDES Permittees discharging to Segment C, Segment C tributaries, Segment D, Segment D tributaries if using LRS	23 years after effective date of the TMDL		
Achieve final WLAs in Segment C, Segment C tributaries, Segment D, Segment D tributaries or demonstrate that non-compliance is due to upstream contributions and submit report to Regional Board	MS4 and Caltrans NPDES Permittees discharging to Segment C, Segment C tributaries, Segment D, Segment D tributaries if using LRS	25 years after effective date of the TMDL		
All Los Angeles River Segments and	Fributaries			
Submit a Bacteria Coordinated Monitoring Plan (CMP)	All responsible parties	1 year after the effective date of the TMDL		
Conduct ambient water quality monitoring set forth in the CMP	All responsible parties	6 months after approval of the CMP		
Reconsider TMDL based upon technical studies or policy changes, including but not be limited to: (1) Alterations to recreational beneficial use designations (2) Revision of US EPA recommended bacteria criteria, Regional Board or State Board bacteria standards (3) Expansion of the High Flow Suspension provisions of Chapter 2 (i.e. extension in duration or spatial extent).	Regional Board	4 years after the effective date of the TMDL		

Implementation Action	Responsible Parties	Deadline
Reconsider TMDL based upon technical studies or policy changes, including but not be limited to: (1) Alterations to recreational beneficial use designations (2) Revision of US EPA recommended bacteria criteria, Regional Board or State Board bacteria standards (3) Expansion of the High Flow Suspension provisions of Chapter 2 (i.e. extension in duration or spatial extent). (4) Technical evaluations of natural and anthropogenic sources of bacteria, including viable alternatives to defining natural or anthropogenic sources of bacteria (5) Wet weather compliance options	Regional Board	10 years after the effective date of the TMDL
Reconsider TMDL based upon technical studies or policy changes, including but not be limited to: (1) Natural sources exclusion	Regional Board	Within one year of a demonstration that interim limits are met in a segment
Submit implementation plan for wet weather with interim milestones	All responsible parties	Within 10 years of the effective date of the TMDL
Achieve final wet-weather WLAs and LAs and submit report to Regional Board demonstrating wet weather and dry weather compliance.	All responsible parties	25 years after effective date of the TMDL