

**LAKE COUNTY WATER RESOURCES DEPARTMENT  
LAKE COUNTY WATERSHED PROTECTION DISTRICT**

**BLUE RIBBON TECHNICAL SUBCOMMITTEE  
APRIL 19, 2019  
RUNNING CREEK CASINO, UPPER LAKE, CA**



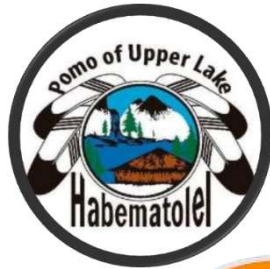
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## Blue Ribbon Committee for the Rehabilitation of Clear Lake



# Outline

- Introduction to Clean Water Program
- Water Quality Activities in Lake County
  - Current & Future
  - Data
- TMDL Activities– Lake County Perspective
  - Data
  - Current & Future

A photograph showing a corrugated metal stormwater pipe discharging into a muddy stream. The water is brown and turbulent, indicating recent rain. The surrounding area is muddy and has some sparse green vegetation. The text "Clean Water Program Storm Water Management" is overlaid in blue on the water.

Clean Water Program  
Storm Water Management

# Clean Water Program



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## Phase II Small Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System (MS4) Program

### Quick Links

- Amendments to the statewide Small MS4 General Permit to include TMDLs
- Phase II Small MS4 Permit
- Trainings and Meetings

## Storm Water Management Plan

Fiscal Years 2003-2004 through 2007-2008



### Lake County Clean Water Program



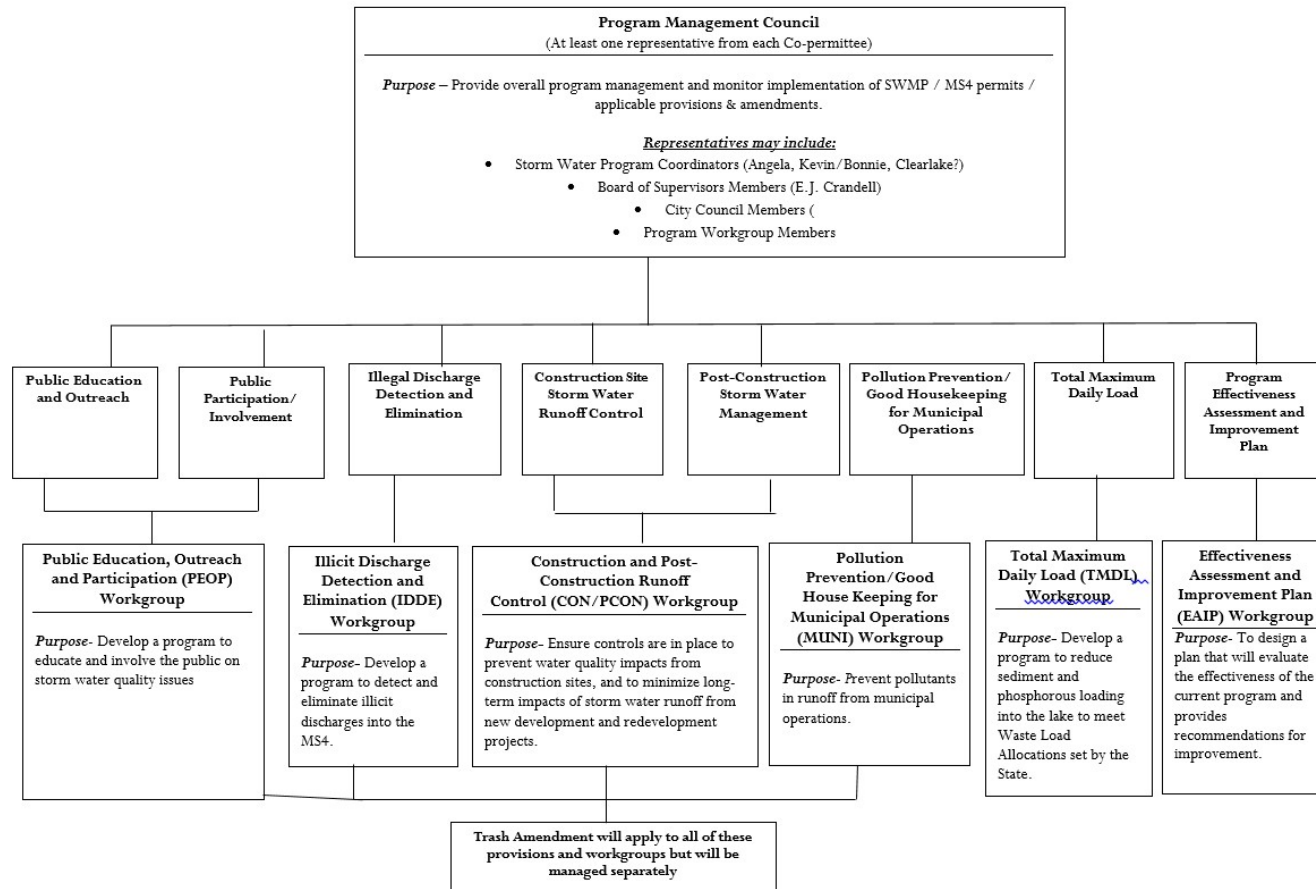
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### Phase II Small System (MS4)

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## Clean Water Program

The Lake County Clean Water Program (LCCWP) Stormwater Program is a joint effort between the County of Lake, City of Clearlake and the City of Lakeport to reduce the damage caused by polluted stormwater runoff and impacts of increases in peak flows from development.

### Effects of Stormwater Runoff

Lake County's lakes, streams, rivers, forests and farms all depend on the replenishing waters of annual precipitation. However, when rain falls on land or impervious areas such as paved streets, parking lots and building roof tops it results in increased peak flows that can wash away soil and sediment, increase stream erosion and cause flooding. Stormwater runoff can change both water quantity and quality affecting our water resources physically, chemically and biologically. Polluted runoff containing oil, grease, chemicals, nutrients, lawn clippings and other yard debris, metals, litter and pathogens for example, can severely reduce water quality. If left unmanaged, runoff stresses our streams, provides extra nutrients for nuisance aquatic weeds and algae blooms, and degrades the beneficial uses of the waters we all enjoy.



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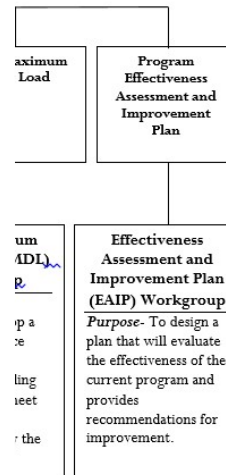
## HOT TOPICS!

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**WATER COMPLAINTS**



**Effectiveness Assessment and Improvement Plan (EAIP) Workgroup**  
*Purpose-* To design a plan that will evaluate the effectiveness of the current program and provides recommendations for improvement.

# Clean Water Program – Agreement & Map

## AGREEMENT PROVIDING FOR IMPLEMENTATION AND MAINTENANCE OF THE LAKE COUNTY CLEAN WATER PROGRAM

THIS AGREEMENT, is made by and between the Lake County Watershed Protection District (DISTRICT), County of Lake (COUNTY), City of Clearlake (CLEARLAKE) and City of Lakeport (LAKEPORT).

COUNTY, CLEARLAKE and LAKEPORT are hereinafter collectively referred to as "PARTIES" or individually as "PARTY".

### RECITALS:

A. Amendments to the Clean Water Act (CWA) in 1987 added section 402(p), which established a framework for regulating stormwater discharges under the National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) Program. Pursuant to Section 402 (p) of the CWA and EPA regulations, the Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board adopted State Water Resources Control Board (SWRCB) Water Quality Order No. 2003-0005, NPDES Permit No. CAS000004, defining the program that the PARTIES are required to develop and implement. This order has since been amended by order to be NPDES Permit No. CAS000004 WQ 2015-0133-EXEC, ORDER WQ 2016-0069-EXEC, WQ ORDER 2017-XXXX-DWQ, ORDER WQ 2018-0001-EXEC, AND ORDER WQ 2018-0007-EXEC, and will continue to be amended as appropriate.

B. On February 19, 2002, the Lake County Stormwater Task Force:

- 1) Investigate individual vs. area-wide permits;
- 2) Identify joint efforts/individual efforts;
- 3) Estimate program costs;
- 4) Determine existing funding from existing programs; and
- 5) Evaluate other funding options and establish an implementation plan.

Stormwater Task Force conclusions and recommendations were adopted by the District Supervisors and both City Councils were:

- 1) File for permit coverage as co-permittees under the District Stormwater Management Plan (SWMP),
- 2) Utilize the DISTRICT for overall program coordination and
- 3) Each PARTY would be responsible for implementing the program.

### EXHIBIT A

#### LAKE COUNTY CLEAN WATER PROGRAM SCHEDULE OF COST-SHARING PROPORTIONS

Jurisdiction	Proportional Share 2018
County of Lake	67.7%
City of Clearlake	24.5%
City of Lakeport	7.9%
TOTAL	100%

#### CALIFORNIA DEPT. OF FINANCE POPULATION FIGURES

Jurisdiction	2017	2018
County of Lake	64,740	65,081
Clearlake	16,151	15,917
Lakeport	5,125	5,134
Unincorporated	43,464	44,030



## CWP - Next Steps

- Agreement Approved & Sent to State – **County, Lakeport, Clearlake**
- Introduce and establish Official Management Council - **April 25th**
  - Members, By-Laws, Work Groups, & Schedule
- Legally move forward to complete storm water tasks
- Coordinate with other departments and agencies
  - CDD
  - Environmental Health
  - Public Works
  - CASQA
  - Water Boards
  - Tribes
  - Farm Bureau









# Water Resources

## Management Council Documents

### Agendas and Minutes

Date	Agenda	Minutes
March 21, 2019	<a href="#">Agenda</a>	<a href="#">Minutes</a>
February 21, 2019	<a href="#">Agenda</a>	<a href="#">Minutes</a>
January 17, 2019	<a href="#">Agenda</a>	<a href="#">Minutes</a>
November 15, 2018		<a href="#">Minutes</a>
October 18, 2018		<a href="#">Minutes</a>
September 19, 2018	<a href="#">Agenda</a>	<a href="#">Minutes</a>
August 23, 2018	<a href="#">Agenda</a>	<a href="#">Minutes</a>
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# Water Quality Activities

A photograph of a wetland area. In the foreground, there is a body of water with some green algae or duckweed floating on the surface. A dense stand of tall, green reeds or grasses grows along the water's edge. To the right, a wooden walkway or bridge structure is visible, leading towards a house in the background. The house has solar panels on its roof. The sky is clear and blue, and there are mountains visible in the distance.

April 2019

# Water Quality Activities – Current

- Post-Fire Stream Storm Monitoring
  - Post-Fire Factsheet (hard copies)
  - QAPP / CEDEN in progress...
- Lake Monitoring w/ DWR
  - Chl A – TMDL target
  - Sediment Cores from top 10cm
    - N & P, Al-P, Fe-P
    - Currently being analyzed by UC Davis – Dr. Steve Sadro’s Lab
- Aquatic Plant Treatments & Data
- Shoreline development & construction activity
- Q/Z Mussel Monitoring – some WQ CDFW



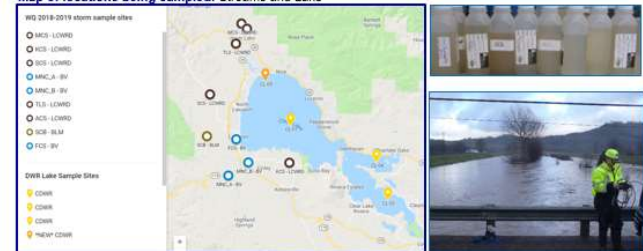
**LAKE COUNTY**  
**Water Resources Department**  
**Post-Fire Water Quality Monitoring**

**Partners on Project:** Big Valley EPA, BLM/ USGS Cow Mountain, DWR, UC Davis

**Lab Analysis Funding Provided by:** US EPA & State Water Resources Control Board under the Federal Nonpoint Source Pollution Control Program (Clean Water Act Section 319)

**Approach:** Sample during storm events with goal to capture peak discharge using real-time stream gage data provided by the California Nevada River Forecast Center (NOAA & NWS)

**Map of locations being sampled: Streams and Lake**



**Post-Fire / Storm Water Stream Monitoring Parameters being sampled:**  
*Ambient w/ in situ meter* – temp, pH, specific conductivity, dissolved oxygen, \*BV samples salinity, Res, TDS, Turbidity, velocity  
*Lab analysis* – Nitrogen (TN, TKN, N02+N03), total phosphorous (TS), total suspended solids (TSS), dissolved solids (DS), total organic carbon (TOC), Hardness, Metals suite (Al, Sb, Ar, Ba, Be, Cd, Ca, Cr, Co, Cu, Fe, Pb, Mg, Mn, Hg, Mo, Ni, Se, Ag, Tl, V, Zn)

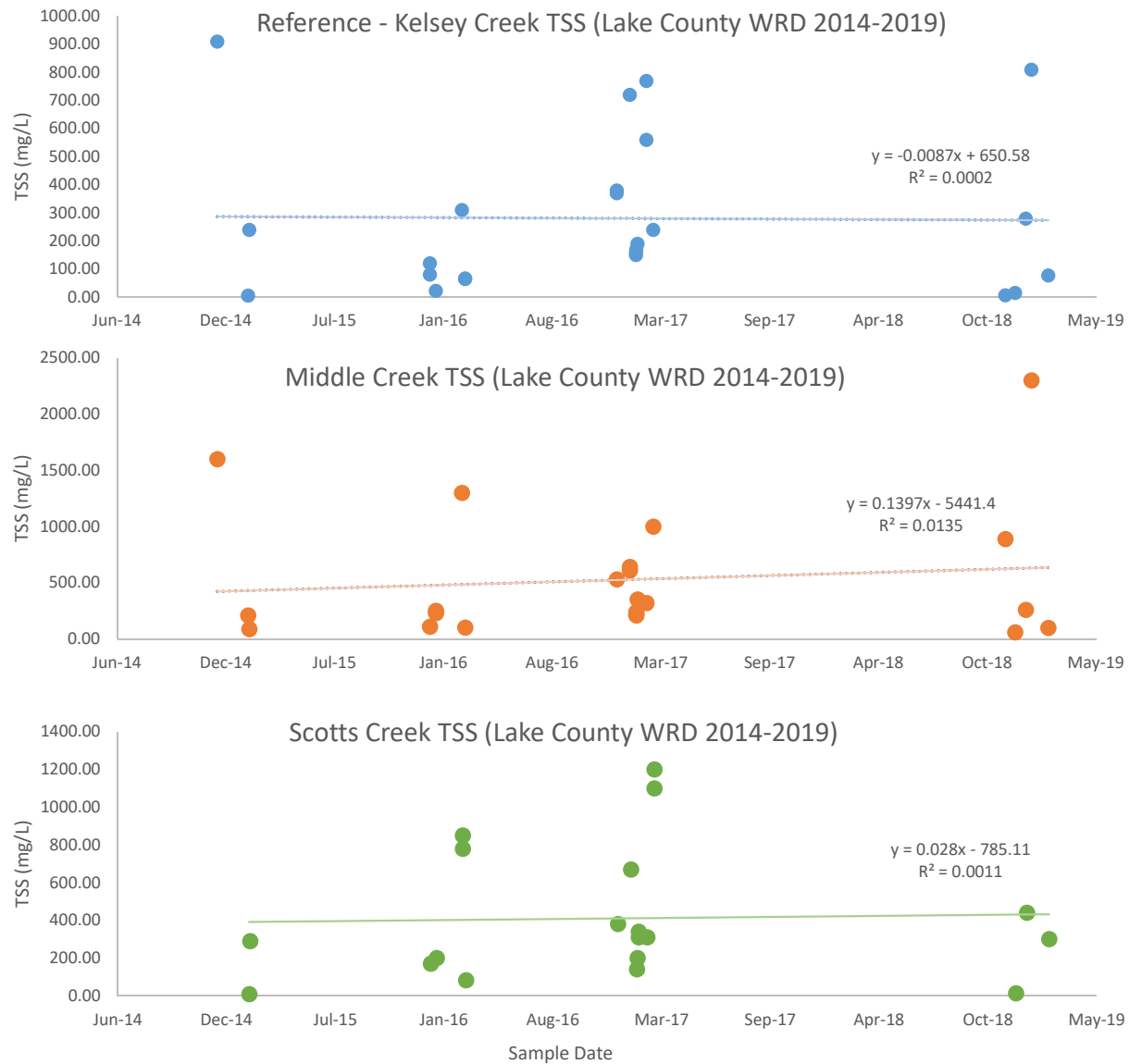
**Results**  
 Will have summary and trends ready ~May 20<sup>th</sup> (Society of Freshwater Science Meeting)  
 Followed by one or more public presentation  
 Final Goal: Upload data to CEDEN & house important findings on WRD website

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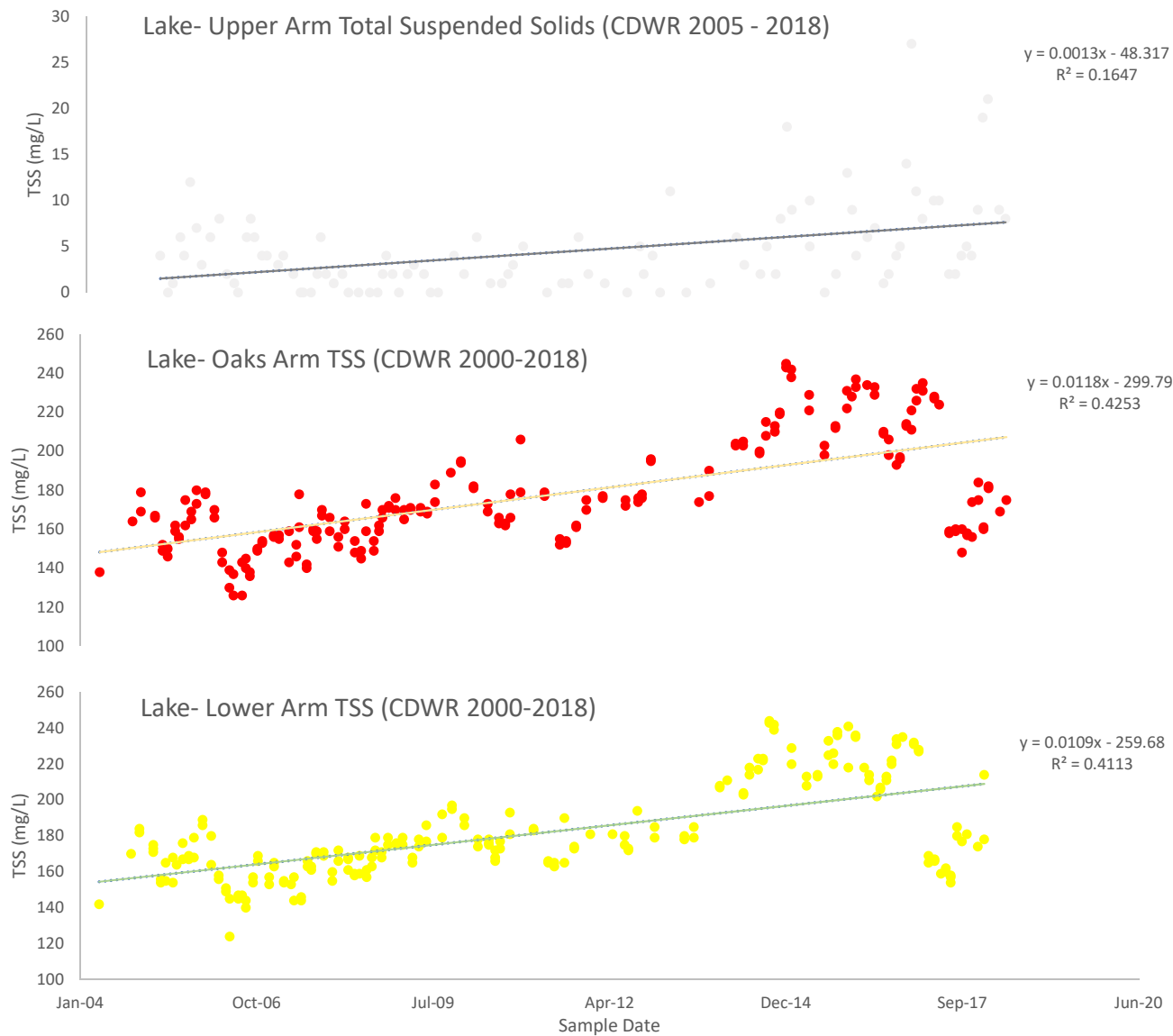
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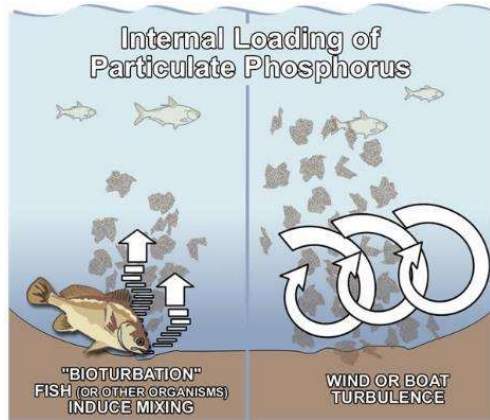
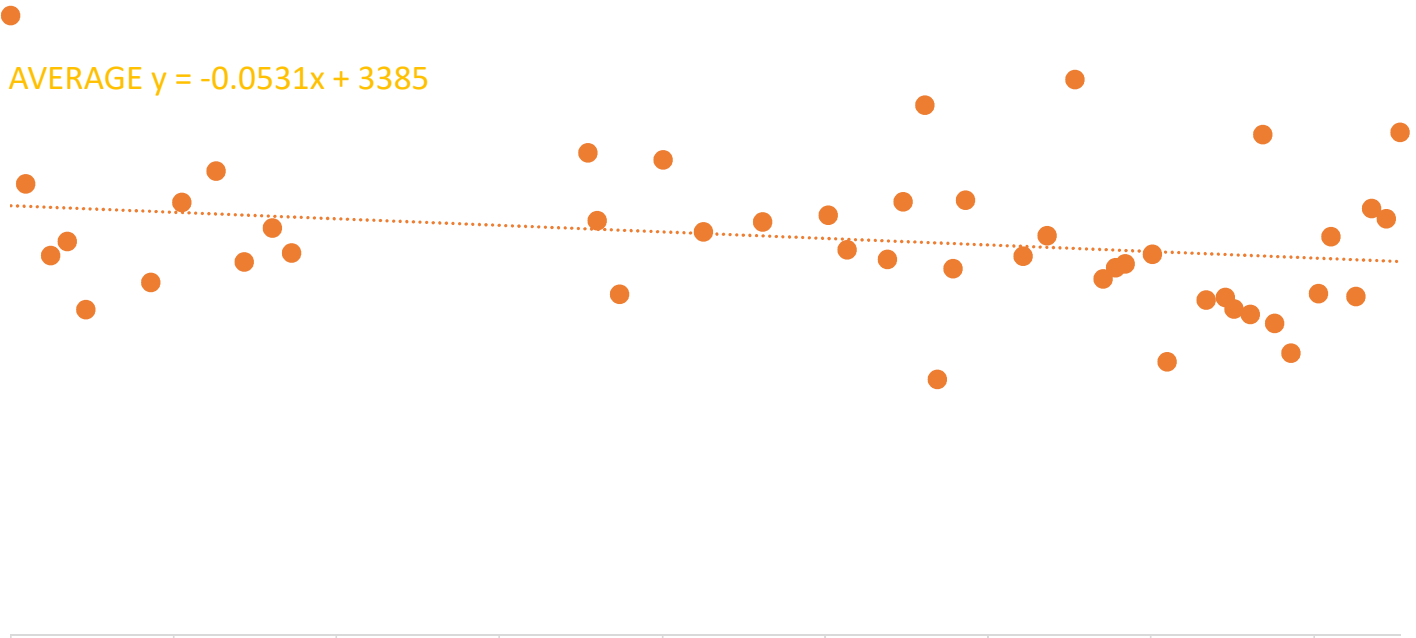
# Pre/ Post-Fire – Stream TSS Trends



# Pre-Fire Lake TSS Trends



# Sediment Cores – Total P (DWR & UCD)



# THE EFFECTS OF MOTOR BOATS ON WATER QUALITY IN SHALLOW LAKES

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*(Received 29 May 1996; Revised 19 November 1996)*

A case study was performed to determine if motor boats could accelerate the rate at which eutrophication occurs in shallow lakes. Two lakes were examined and tested for pH, turbidity, and phosphorous concentrations: one with motor boat activity and one without. Results indicate that motor boat activity creates enough disturbance on the bottom sediment to release the stored phosphorous into the overlying water.

*Keywords:* Phosphorus; natural eutrophication; cultural eutrophication; storage pool; limiting nutrient; pH; turbidity

TABLE I Effective Mixing Depth by Engine Size

<i>HORSEPOWER</i>	<i>MIXING DEPTH (m)</i>
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**TABLE**

**HORSE**

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**Review of boat wake wave impacts on shoreline erosion and potential solutions for the Chesapeake Bay**



**STAC Review Report  
Fall 2016**

Original Articles

**Effect of motorized watercraft on summer nearshore turbidity at Lake Tahoe, California–Nevada**

Michael T. Alexander & Russell C. Wigart

Pages 247-256 | Published online: 15 Oct 2013

Download citation <https://doi.org/10.1080/10402381.2013.840704>

Original Articles

**Physical Impacts of Wind and Boat Traffic on Clear Lake, Iowa, USA**

James L. Anthony & John A. Downing

Pages 1-14 | Published online: 23 Jan 2009

Download citation <https://doi.org/10.1080/07438140309353984>

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**ABSTRACT**

Clear Lake is a shallow ( $Z_{\text{mean}}=2.9$  m), eutrophic ( $TP_{\text{mean}}=188 \mu\text{gL}^{-1}$ ) lake that is intensively used for recreation. After a century of intense agriculture in the watershed, the bottom is covered with nutrient-rich organic sediments. We monitored wind, boat traffic and turbidity and found that resuspension of this sediment by wind-induced waves and recreational boat traffic contributes to daily, often substantial, nutrient fluxes. Intensive monitoring over a wind-event showed that total phosphorus concentrations can increase by 100% over a diel period and ammonia concentrations

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**Stirring up Trouble? Resuspension of Bottom Sediments by Recreational Watercraft** >

# Water Quality Activities – Planned

- MS4 Storm Water Monitoring
  - Lake County, Lakeport, Clearlake – Plan before 2020 Storm Season
  - Urban inputs – sediments, nutrients
  - Trash impacts – plan done in July
- TMDL Monitoring
  - Part of MS4 Monitoring above
- Expand surface stream monitoring – Quality & Quantity
  - Adobe Creek / Highland Springs
  - Upper Watershed – Alley, Clover, Tule Lake, Scotts Creek
  - Middle Creek Wetland Restoration Area Pre / Post
- Data Management
  - Get all new & old data into CEDEN
  - Portal / Access from WRD webpage



TMDL!

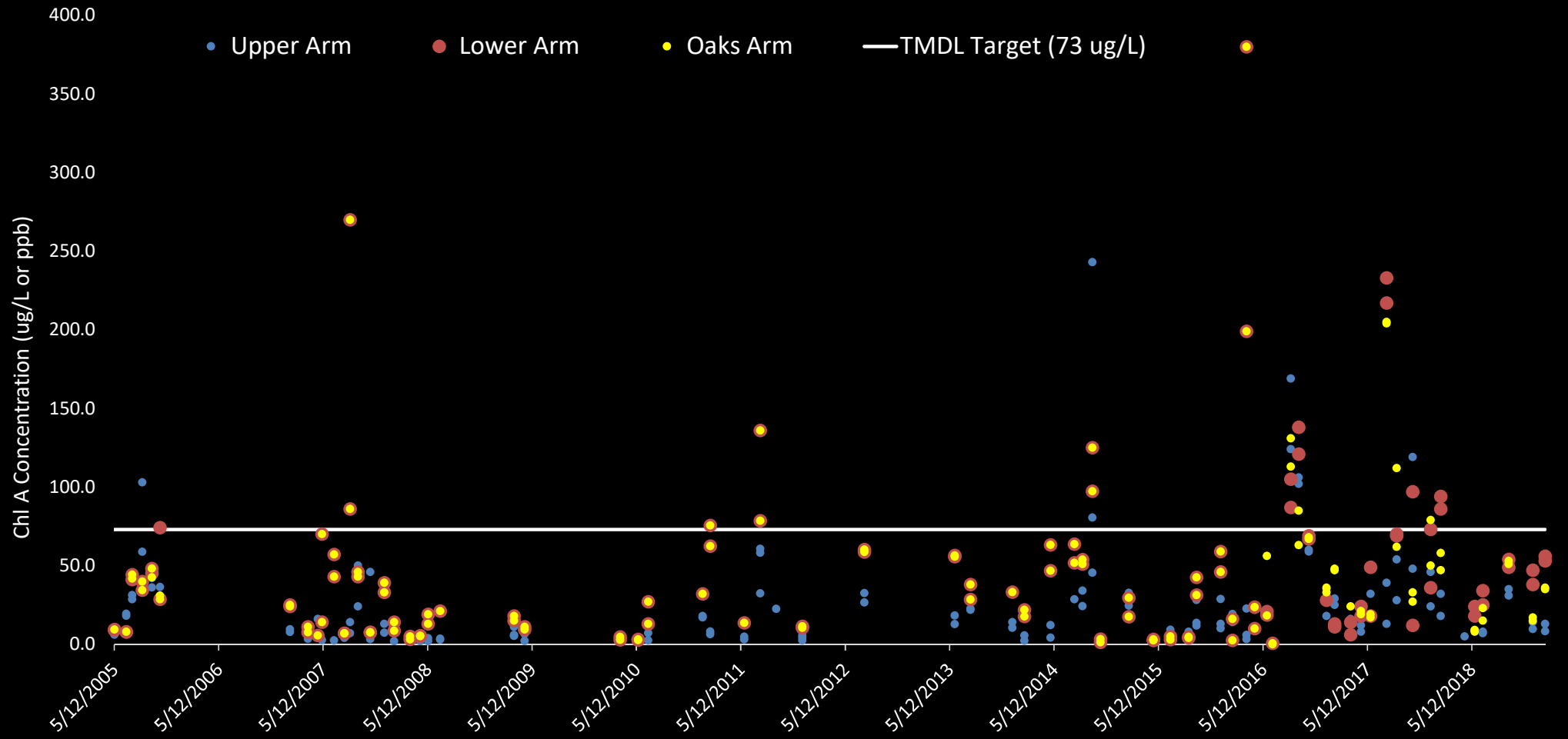


# TMDL – What & How?

- Total Maximum Daily Load
  - Impaired waterbody 303d list by USEPA – bill of health
  - Allowable amount or “load” - health target
  - Way to gauge lake health – is what you are doing working?
  - Clear Lake Nutrient TMDL Chl A – 73ug/l

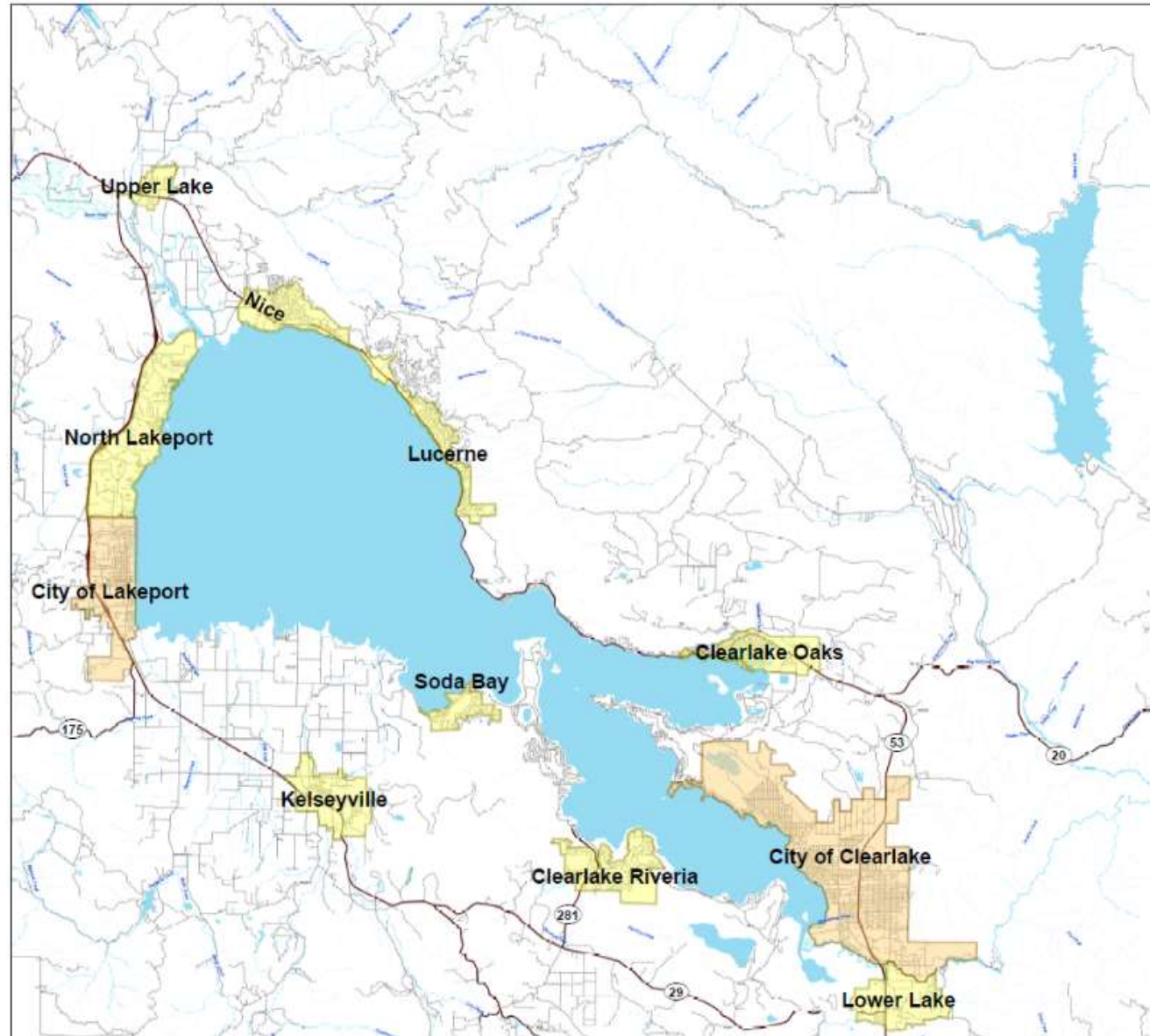


# Surface Chl A (ug/L) for Clear Lake (2005 - 2019) ug/L 0.5 m & 3 m



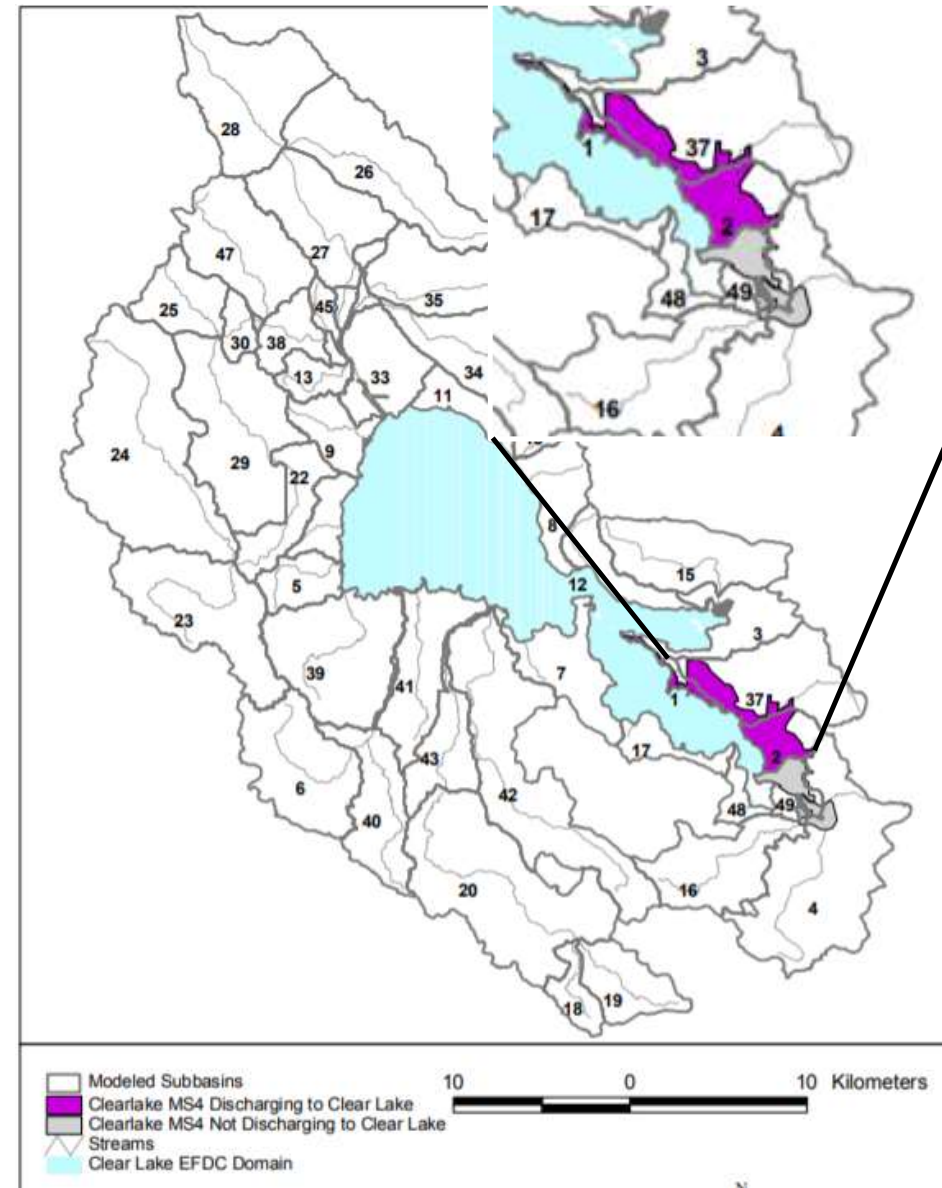
# Lake County's Role in TMDL

- Reduce P / sediments inputs in from
  - County MS4 areas
    - Yellow (not tan)
  - Non-MS4 areas
    - Highland Springs
    - Middle Creek
    - Scott's Valley
    - County Park area



# Clearlake TMDL

- Reduce P / sediments inputs in from
  - Purple Shaded areas – for TMDL
  - Urban areas
  - New Construction
  - Roads
  - Direct Lake input, outflows
  - Street sweeping / cleaning
  - Any other storm water infrastructure

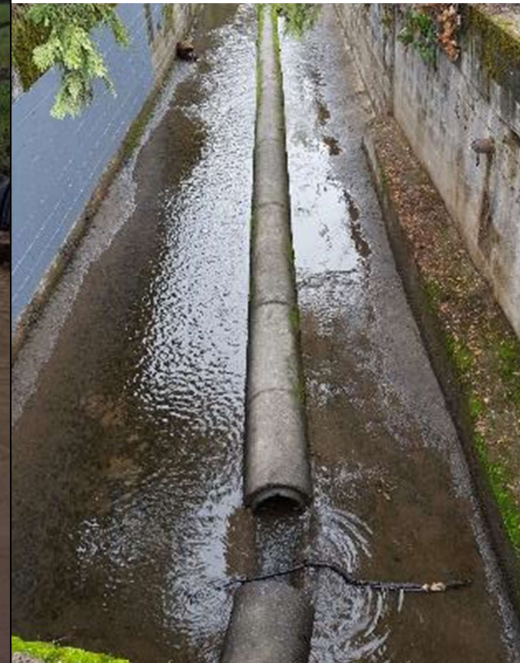


# Lakeport TMDL

- Reduce P / sediments inputs from
  - Urban areas
  - New Construction
  - Roads
  - Direct Lake input, outflows
  - Street sweeping / cleaning
  - Impervious surface \$\$



**KEEP CLEAR LAKE CLEAR!**





# CWP TMDL - Steps Forward

- Quantify Structural Control → Develop method to track bmps
  - Find them
  - Identify effectiveness → Expand monitoring & Find literature
- Quantifying source control → Outreach effectiveness
  - Blue Ribbon Outreach Special Project Proposal
- Program Expansion
  - Create a TMDL Monitoring Plan & QAPP (before 2020)
  - Budget for monitoring plan
  - Grants for planning projects are limited or absent
  - Increase Storm Water Outreach
  - Think about contribution of internal lake processes
    - Boating activity
    - Shoreline activities

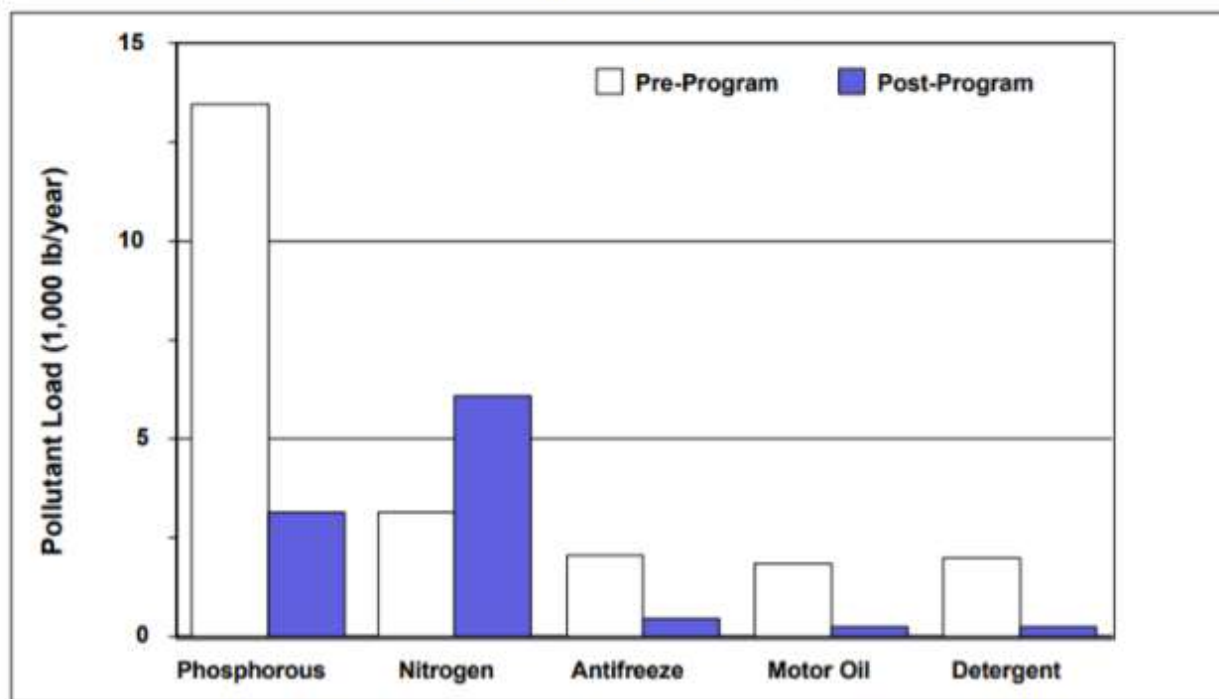
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**Figure 6-5. Changes in Pollutant Load Associated with a Public Education Program Based on a Public Survey**



Source: Claytor, 1996

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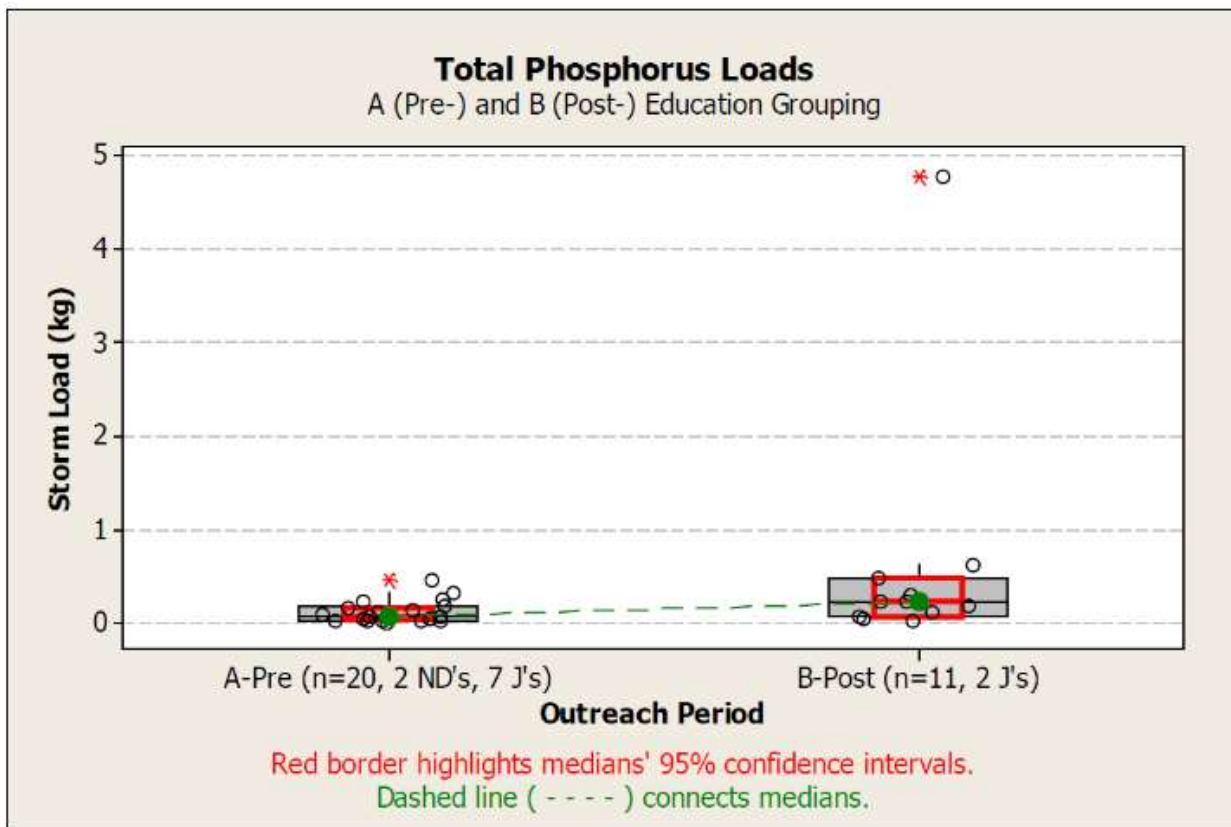


Figure 38 Storm total phosphorus load boxplots

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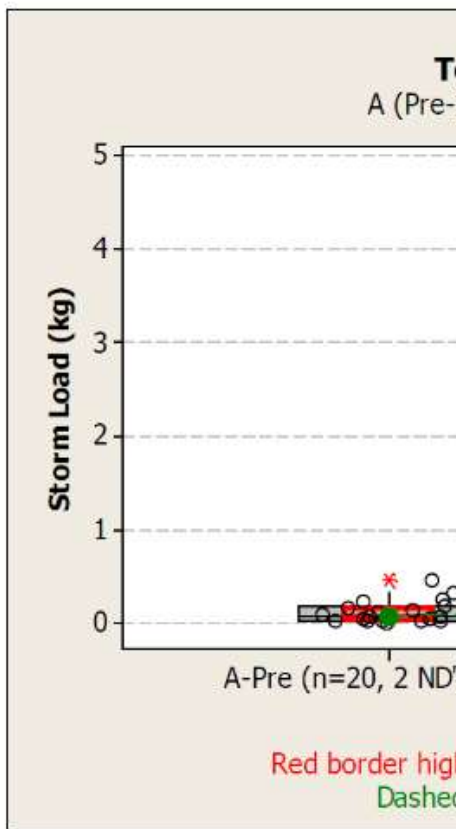


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**Table 4-3. Typical Pollutant Loadings from Runoff by Urban Land Use (lbs/acre-yr)**

Land Use	TSS	TP	TKN	NH <sub>3</sub> -N	NO <sub>2</sub> +NO <sub>3</sub> -N	BOD	COD	Pb	Zn	Cu
Commercial	1000	1.5	6.7	1.9	3.1	62	420	2.7	2.1	0.4
Parking Lot	400	0.7	5.1	2	2.9	47	270	0.8	0.8	0.04
HDR	420	1	4.2	0.8	2	27	170	0.8	0.7	0.03
MDR	190	0.5	2.5	0.5	1.4	13	72	0.2	0.2	0.14
LDR	10	0.04	0.03	0.02	0.1	NA	NA	0.01	0.04	0.01
Freeway	880	0.9	7.9	1.5	4.2	NA	NA	4.5	2.1	0.37
Industrial	860	1.3	3.8	0.2	1.3	NA	NA	2.4	7.3	0.5
Park	3	0.03	1.5	NA	0.3	NA	2	0	NA	NA
Construction	6000	80	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA

HDR: High Density Residential, MDR: Medium Density Residential, LDR: Low Density Residential

NA: Not available; insufficient data to characterize loadings

Source: Horner et al, 1994



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Measuring water clarity with Angela & Marina  
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Water Resources is responsible for the preservation, health, and growth of Clear Lake, the largest fresh water lake in California. The two main branches of Water Resources are Lakebed Management and Lake County Watershed Protection District from which all of our programs and projects stem.

### Frequently Used Applications

- Lakebed Encroachment Permit
- Highland Springs Hunting Permit
- Highland Springs Property Usage Permit
- Aquatic Plant Management Permit

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