## Model Application and Scenario Development

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## So all this research ... now what?

#### Integration

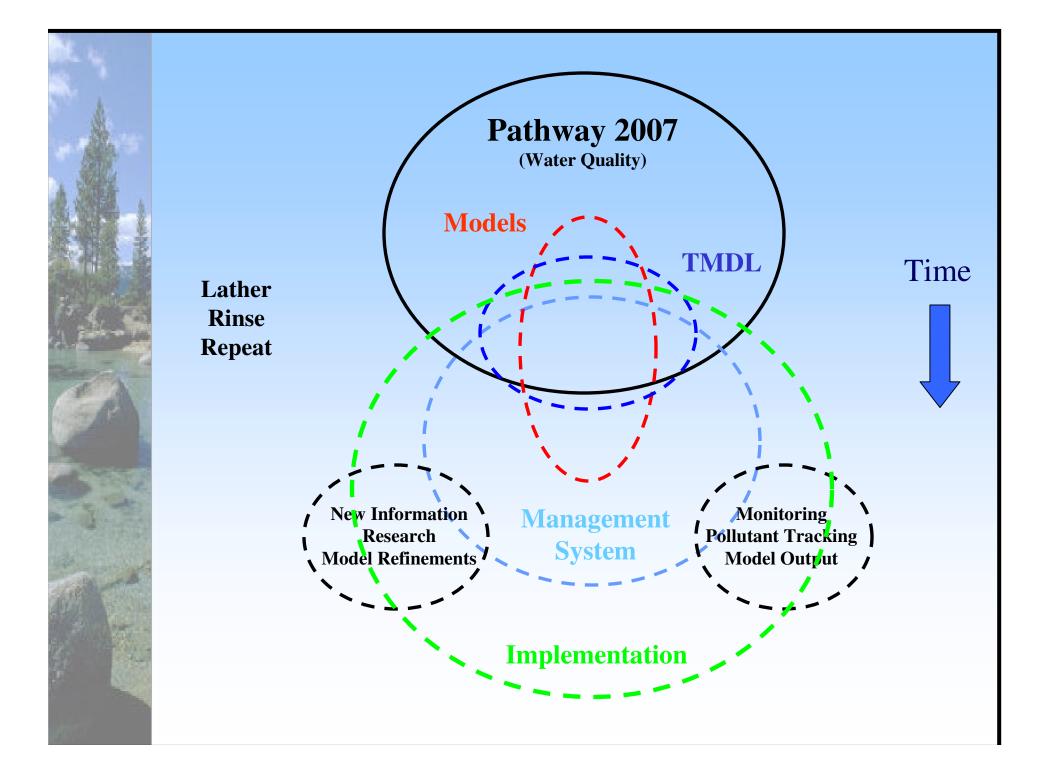
 Pathway 2007, TMDL, and future management system

### **Model Application**

- ✓ TMDL
- ✓ Planning Process
- ✓ Management System

#### "What if . . ." Scenarios

- ✓ Development
- ✓ Examples





### **Applied Science**

- ✓ Platform for application of new information
- ✓ Integration of science and policy
- ✓ Use of existing information

### **Resource Management**

- ✓ Application to Pathway 2007
- ✓ "What if . . ." scenarios
- ✓ Loading estimates, hot spots, prioritization

### Water Quality Objectives

- Standards, Thresholds
- ✓ Pollutant Load Reduction Allocation

### Implementation

- ✓ Strategic Planning
- ✓ Planning and Implementation Tools

## **TMDL** Applications

#### Atmospheric

• UCD - MM5 historic climate reconstruction

### Upland

•Tetra Tech - LSPC (Hydrology and Loading)
•Hydroikos - Statistical Modeling
•Geosyntech - SWMM (Pilot BMP modeling)

#### Groundwater

• USACE - groundwater loading model

#### **Stream Channel Erosion**

National Sedimentation Laboratory - CONCEPTS/AnnAGNPS

### Lake Response

• UCD - Lake Tahoe Clarity Model (hydrodynamics, water quality, optical properties)

## TMDL Applications cont.

#### **Source Loading Estimation**

 Major Source Categories, Land-use, 184 Modeled Subwatersheds, Tributary Watersheds, Jurisdiction, Background

#### **Linkage Analysis**

 Provides connection between pollutant sources and water body response

#### **Assimilative Capacity**

✓ Total load reduction required

#### **Load Allocations**

- Methodology yet to be determined
- Margin of Safety, Future Growth Potential, Source Categories, Land-use, Sub-watershed, Jurisdiction, Tributary, Loading Caps

## Pathway 2007 Applications

#### **Other Standards**

✓ Light Extinction Coefficient, Primary Productivity

#### **Standards Consistency**

✓ Develop consistency between agency standards

#### "What if . . ." Scenarios

✓ Develop scenarios in support of Pathway 2007 process

## Air Quality, Soil Conservation, Transportation

✓ Apply models and scenarios to Threshold and Regional Plan Updates

### **Assimilative Capacity**

✓ Identifies degree of effort needed

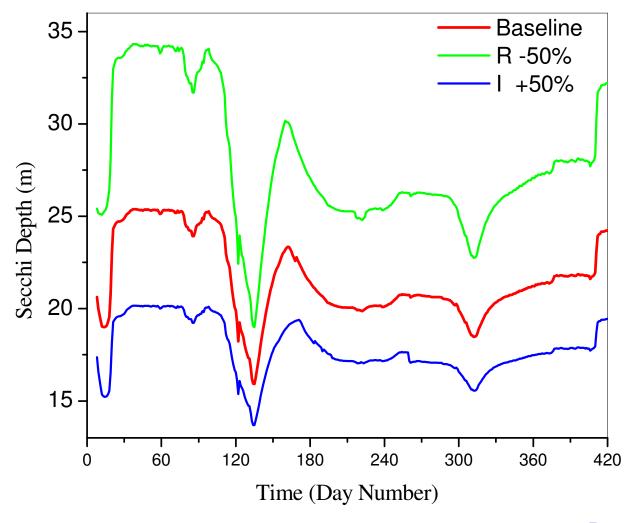


## "What if . . ." Scenarios

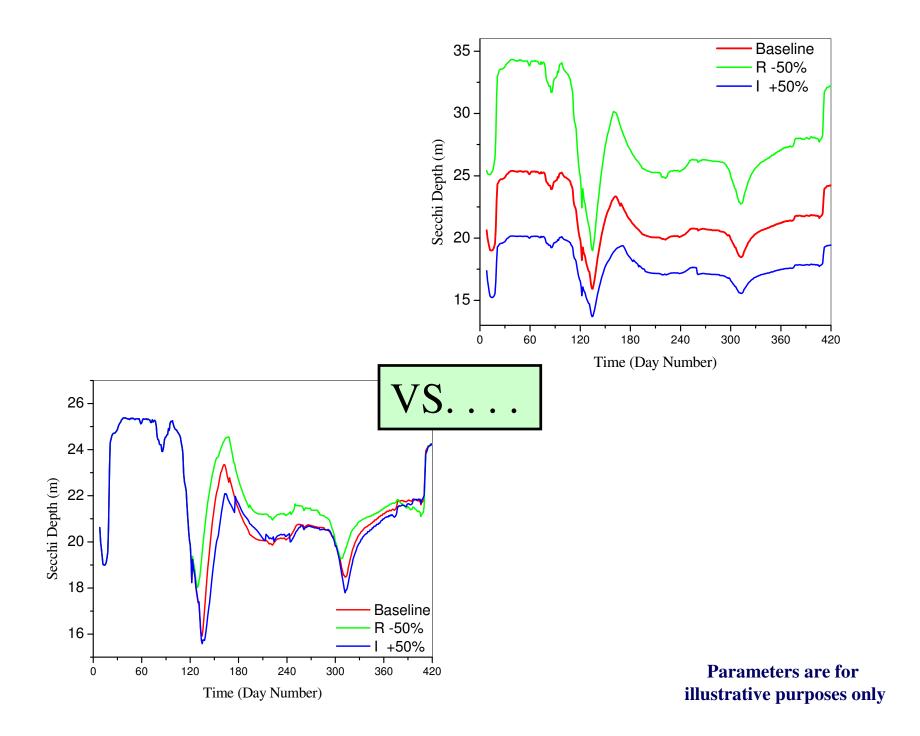
Deterministic models provide opportunity to evaluate possible outcome of management scenarios

- ✓ Scenarios will be developed through stakeholder process
- ✓ Water Quality Standards and Objectives
- ✓ Source Loading Changes
- ✓ Implementation Strategies

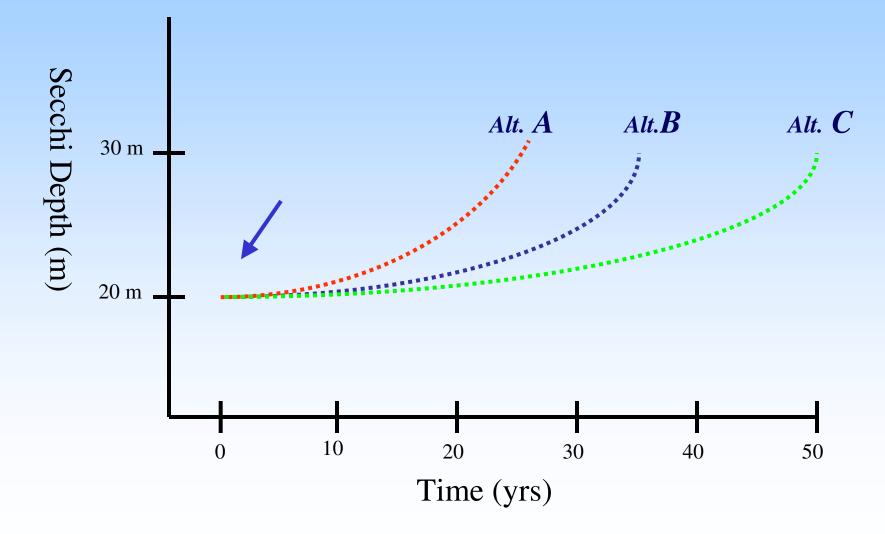
### **Conceptual Scenario Applications**



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### **Conceptual Clarity Improvement Curves**



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## **Management System Applications**

#### **Refinement and updating**

✓ Incorporate new information and research into models and estimates

#### **Research Prioritization**

✓ Provides guidance on update needs and research requirements

#### **Hot Spot Identification**

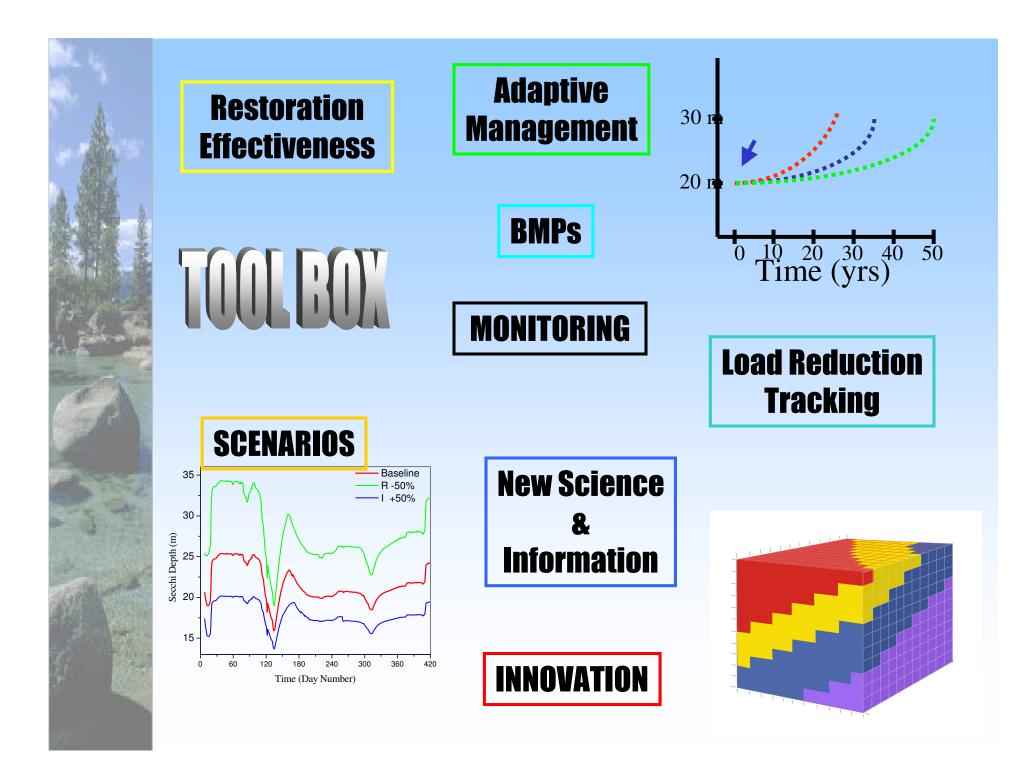
- ✓ Assist in development of implementation strategies
- ✓ Inform prioritization of restoration efforts

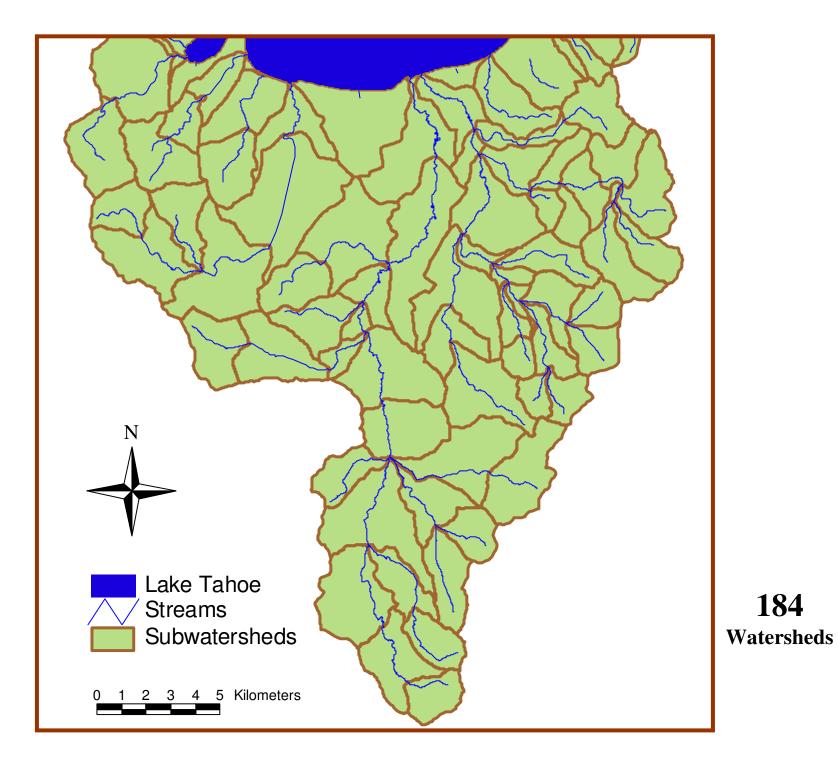
### Scenarios

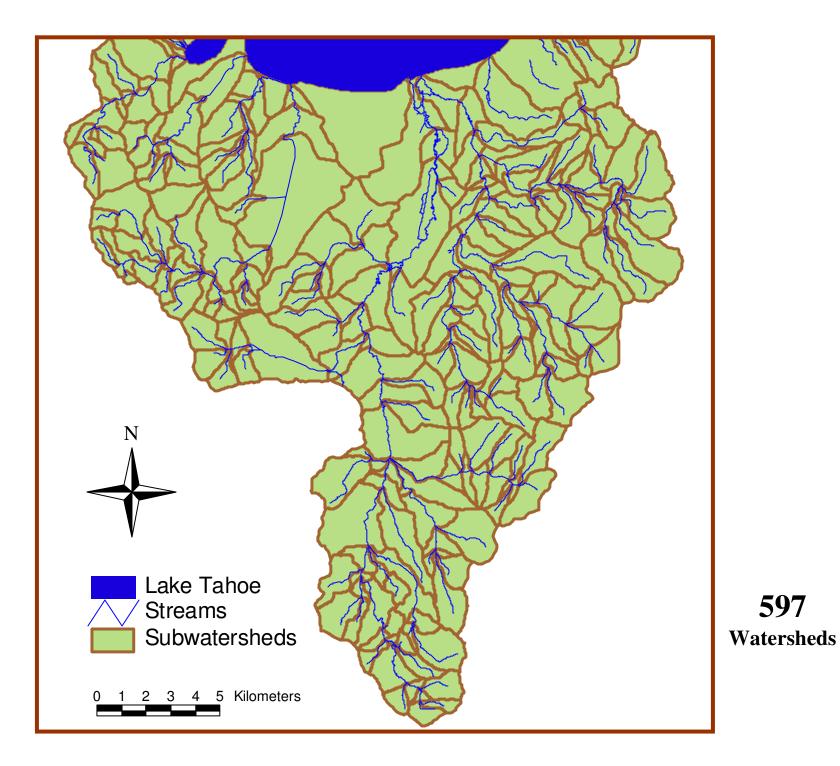
✓ Evaluate relative benefit of implementation and regulatory options

#### **Adaptive Management**

✓ Provide tools and process for informed and appropriate modifications







TMDL Implementation Tool Box

# Introduction

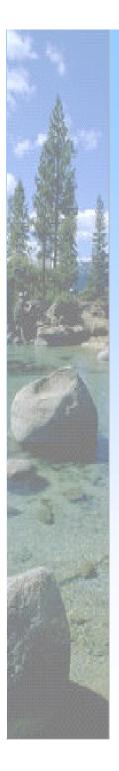
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## **Tool Box Objectives**

- ✓ Develop a unified set of planning and implementation tools
- ✓ Develop and apply tools needed for planning and implementation
- ✓ Integrate functionality between tools
- ✓ Develop system to update tools based upon new information
- ✓ Create forum for collaboration between agencies
- ✓ Centralize funding and resource needs
- ✓ Prioritize needed tools and supporting research

#### TOOLS Watershed Model Urban Hydrology **Clarity Model** PHASE I **BMP** Modeling Land-use Maps **Basin-wide LYDAR Atmospheric Deposition** Storm Water Master Plans Groundwater Loading ???? **Stream Channel Erosion** TIIMS **PROPOSED Reduction Estimation Methods** Load Reduction Matrix PHASE II New Technologies **Pollutant Trading Potential** Pollutant Tracking System



## Presentations

Load Reduction Estimation Methodologies – Eric Strecker Load Reduction Matrix – Jason Kuchnicki New and Innovative Technologies – Jason Kuchnicki BMP Model – Leslie Shoemaker **TIIMS – Dave Roberts** Pollutant Tracking and Progress Monitoring – John Reuter

Water Quality Trading Feasibility – Jack Landy