# **TMDL Economic Allocation Model BRIEFING**

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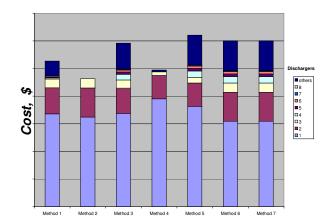




## **The TMDL Economic Allocation Model** *What could it be used for ?*

#### • Estimate total cost of implementing TMDLs

- As with all cost estimates, accuracy is related to level of project definition
- Estimate distribution of costs to various sources and/or responsible parties
  - Examine economic impact of various approaches to allocation
    - how to achieve low cost solutions
    - input to LLNL Stakeholder Model ("fairness" is a judgment)





### **The TMDL Economic Allocation Model** *What could it be used for ?*

- Sensitivity Analysis
  - Estimate incremental costs to achieve various levels of TMDL compliance

#### ?TMDL = ?WLA + ?LA + ?MOS

-?\$s for ?benefit

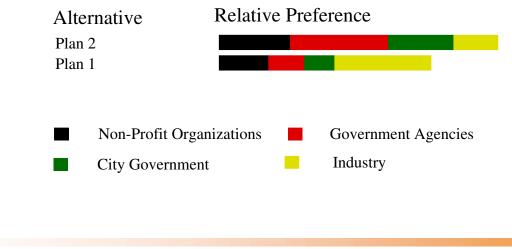
• Might be able to examine schedule & effectiveness issues





#### **The TMDL Economic Allocation Model** *What it can't or shouldn't be used for ?*

- Not hydrology model but cost estimating tool
  - Economics not physical / chemical / biological sciences
- Does not address what TMDLs should be set at
  - Allocation loads not TMDL targets
- Does not quantify Stakeholder values
  - That's the Stakeholder Model

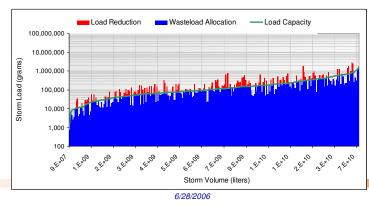




• Data driven model

-What, How Much, When, Where, How To, Cost To

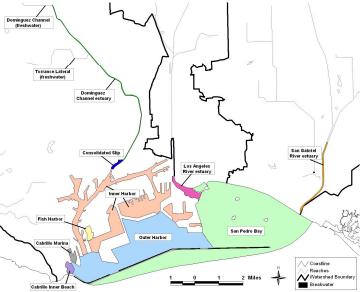
- Identify pollutant & TMDL target value
  - e.g. heavy metal, µg/l max, kg/year max
    - can examine both weight or concentration based targets
- Dry or wet weather, rain event
  - can examine various averages







- Data driven model
  - What, How Much, When, Where, How To, Cost To
- Identify location of TMDLs
  - Water Body aggregation
    - least flexibility once model is set up



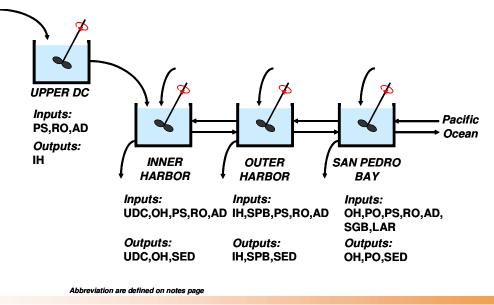




#### • Identify sources/sinks for WB

- Aggregation of sources

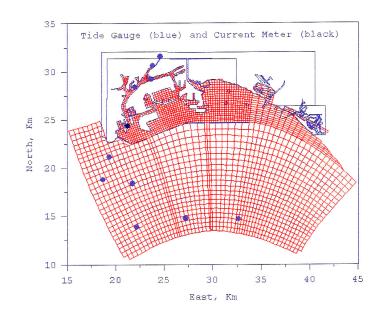
- e.g. discrete individual point (probably large)
- e.g aggregates non-point, all permit holders of a certain type, land-use aggregates, atm deposition





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- Identify total flow and loadings for sources
  - from hydrology data and linkage analysis
  - aggregate these data







• Data driven model

-What, How Much, When, Where, How To, Cost To

- Identify options for reducing loadings
  - e.g. BMPs, technologies, etc.
- Estimate cost & effectiveness
  - Existing or similar technology, best/worst cases
  - Literature data
  - Stakeholder/others estimates (interviews)
  - Vendor quotes





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