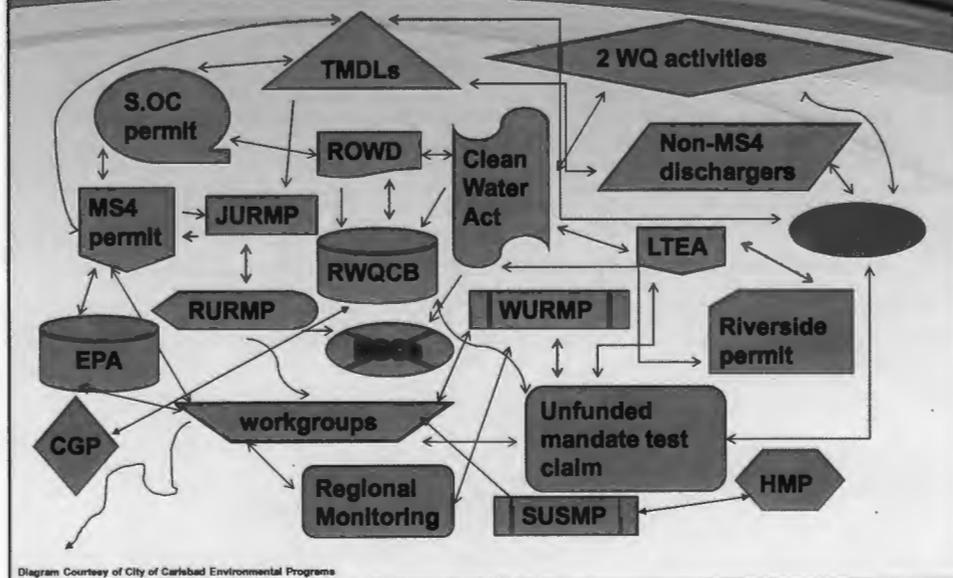


Permit Reissuance Process

- Order R9-2007-0001 set to expire January 2012
- ROWD required 180 days prior to expiration
- RWQCB staff: new Permit will be "regional"
- Unknown when draft Permit will be released

Why do Copermittees need a Vision?



No ... really, why do we need a vision?

Regulatory Drivers

- ROWD due June 2011
- Riverside/South Orange County MS4 Permits recently reissued
- More TMDLs have been adopted since last Permit

Other Factors

- Unfunded Mandate Test Claim results
- RWQCB/public need for enforceability and accountability
- Copermittee/public need for best use of limited resources: prioritization, elimination of redundancies, increased efficiencies

Visioning Process & Scope

- 5 facilitated workshops with all 21 Copermittees to develop consensus vision, goals, and objectives
- 20-year time horizon
- Focus on urban runoff and surface water protection
- Put aside funding issues for now

Vision

Our vision is for the protection of water quality in our streams, bays, ocean, and other water bodies that benefits wildlife, recreation, the environment, and other community needs as supported by sustainable storm water management.

Goal #1

Achieve sustainable storm water management that balances social, economic, & environmental needs

Objectives

- a. Promote public policy that supports sustainable storm water management
- b. Obtain public support for long-term and reliable funding for storm water programs
- c. Involve the public in understanding and defining sustainable storm water management

Goal #2 *Protect and restore appropriate beneficial uses for prioritized water bodies impacted by storm water*

Objectives

- a. Establish source, constituent, and water body priorities for each watershed
- b. Promote beneficial use designations and water quality objectives that are scientifically valid
- c. Reduce flows and pollutant loads from storm water that adversely impact receiving water integrity
- d. Promote watershed stewardship as a social standard
- e. Support the identification and development of sustainable projects that provide diverse habitats and water quality benefits

Goal #3 *Focus storm water management on sources and practices jurisdictions have the ability to control*

Objectives

- a. Identify the pollutant of concern loads that are attributable to storm water
- b. Work with regulatory agencies and other parties to ensure that pollutant sources are re-assigned to the appropriate regulatory process (air, water, and waste)
- c. Promote public policy that reduces pollutants of concern through source product replacement / substitution / application

Goal #4 *Support development of a regulatory framework & organizational structure that facilitate implementation of the most effective & efficient storm water program*

Objectives

- a. Focus assessment on information needed to implement the most effective control strategies and adaptive management
- b. Establish an organizational and workload structure that focuses storm water program implementation at the watershed or other appropriate scale
- c. Streamline program implementation, reporting, and assessment
- d. Develop TMDL implementation plans that integrate sustainable storm water management

How did the Vision inform the ROWD?

Key Concepts

- Simplified reporting
- Streamlined and more meaningful assessment
- Better coordinated and more useful monitoring
- Enhanced TMDL/watershed focus
- More strategic planning as a region

Report of Waste Discharge

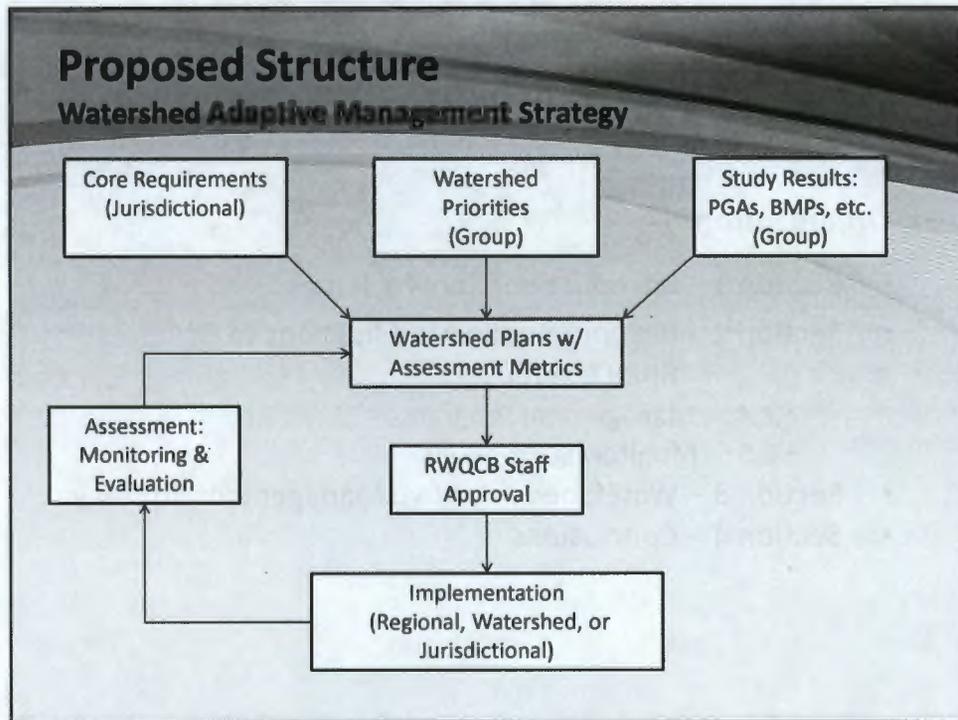
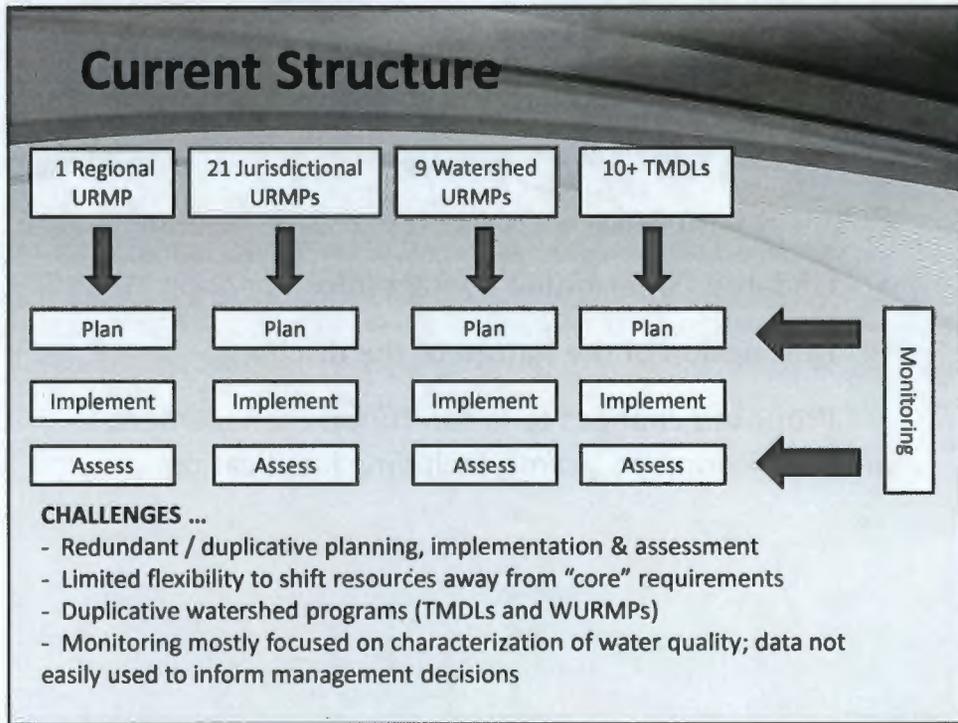
Required Elements

- Updated Copermittee contact info
- Description of the nature of the discharge
- Proposed changes to urban runoff management and monitoring programs, including justification

Report of Waste Discharge

Organization

- Section 1 – Introduction/General Issues
- Section 2 – Recommended Modifications to Order R9-2007-0001
 - 2.A. – Management Programs
 - 2.B. – Monitoring Programs
- Section 3 – Watershed Adaptive Management Strategy
- Section 4 – Conclusions



Watershed Adaptive Management Strategy

Considerations

- Criteria need to be established so that modifications to “core” requirements are based on sound and impartial information
- Jurisdictional autonomy needs to be maintained with regard to decision-making
- Watershed-based assessment metrics are needed to gauge progress, but accountability for compliance should remain with the jurisdiction

