




**Lahontan Water Board
FY 2014-2015**

Accomplishments & Priorities

Agenda Item 6

Purpose

- Annual Review
 - Improve Efficiency & Transparency
 - Inform Board and Public
 - Set Future Priorities
 - Receive Feedback
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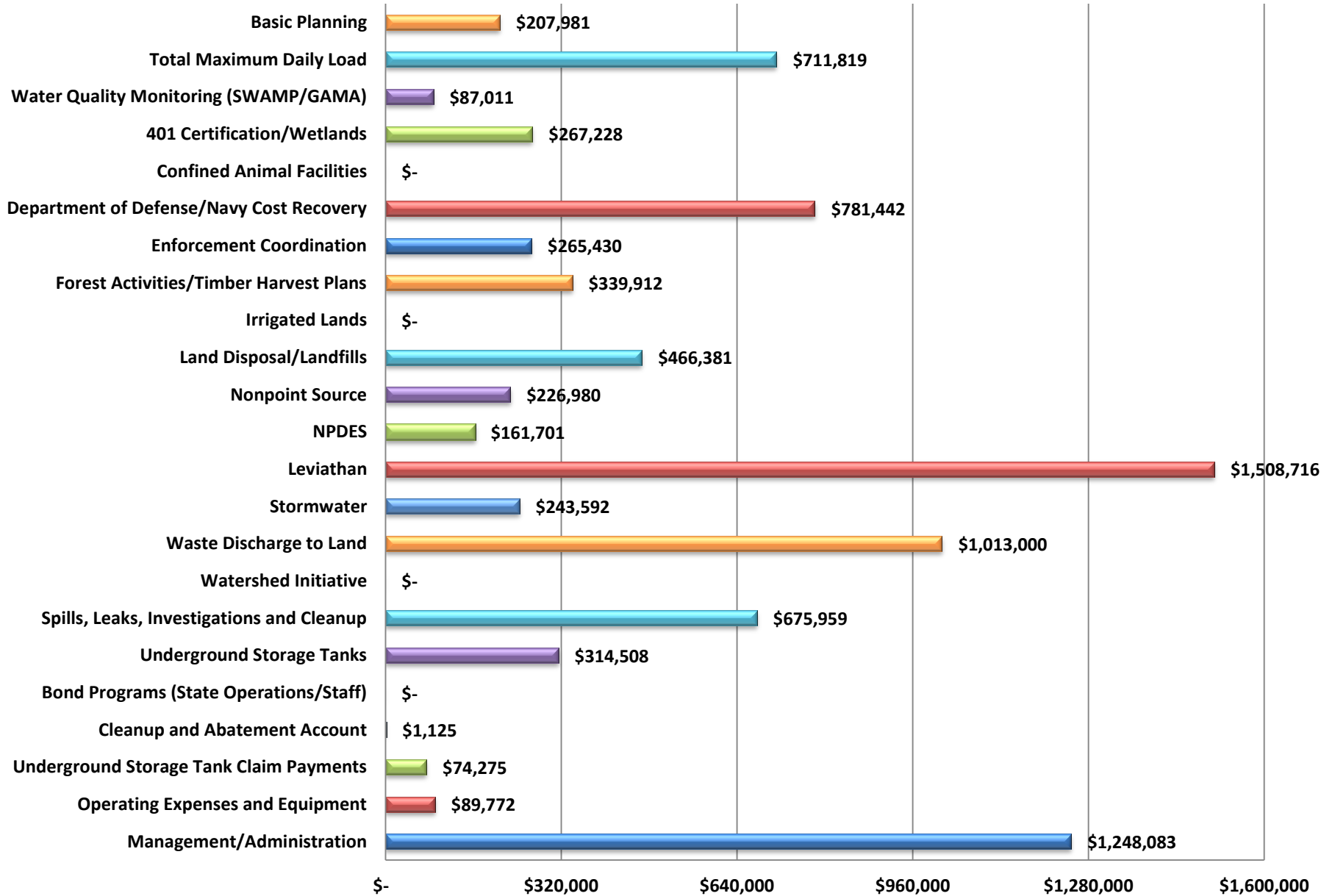
Agenda Item 6 Overview

- Organizational Structure and Funding
- Challenges

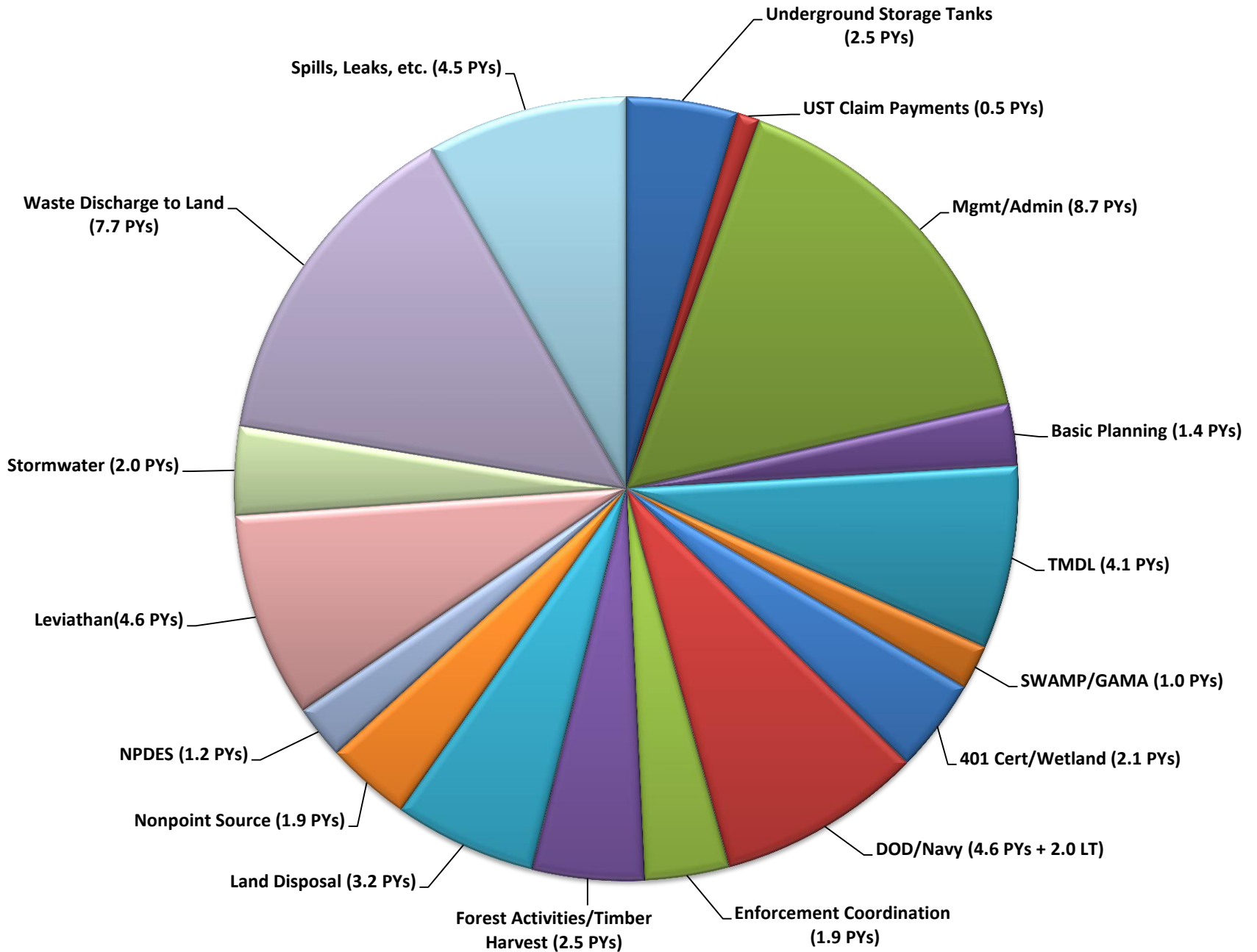
- Performance Targets and Accomplishments
- Regional Board Key Efforts
- Statewide Policies
- ✓ Future Workshops
- ✓ Guiding Principles

- Next Steps:** Input from the Board and Public

Budget for FY 13/14 (Lahontan)



Staff Allocated by Activity





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FY 14-15 Budget

- New resources
 - Leviathan – 1.5 positions
 - Regulatory Permitting – 1 position

- New law extending and expanding UST Program

- Water Bond passed



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Challenges

Water Bond Funding

Drought

Wildfires

New Laws and Policies/Programs

- Salt and Nutrient Management
- Environmental Justice
- Climate Change
- Wetland Restoration
- Local Area Management Plans

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Performance Targets

- Easily measured; only a portion of the work
- In FY 13-14, met or exceeded most targets
- New internal system and staffing for tracking
- Inspections are our best targets (279)

8 of 9 NPDES

70 of 185 Waste to Land

51 of 92 Land Disposal sites

88 of 350 SW Const 32 of 264 SW Industrial

30 Timber



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Key Accomplishments

Timber Waiver

Antelope Valley SNMP

Basin Plan Amendments

Replacement water orders

Ag Treatment Permit for PG&E

DOD groundwater investigation

Arimol wetland restoration

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Organizational Improvement

- Goals
- Projects Underway
 - Procedures
 - Web Improvement
 - Mentoring and Training
 - Electronic Content Management
- Suggestions Tracking System



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2014 Completed Workshops

Salt and Nutrient Management Planning

Environmental Justice

Monitored Natural Attenuation

Bacteria Standards

Climate Change

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Key Efforts for Next Year

Protect Human Health

- Nitrate (dairies and sewage)
- Chromium (Hinkley and Ducommon)
- Perchlorate (Barstow)
- Petroleum/MTBE (South Lake Tahoe)
- PCE investigation (South Lake Tahoe)
- Petroleum/TCE/Other (Military Bases)

- Acid Mine Drainage (Leviathan)
- Bacteria (source tracking investigations)
- Mercury (Susan River, statewide planning)

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Key Efforts for Next Year (cont'd)

Protect Aquatic Life and Watersheds

- Implement TMDLs and plan for future actions
- Wetland Restoration
- Supplemental Environmental Projects and agreements (Truckee, others)
- Riparian/wetland protection – avoid, reduce, mitigate

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Key Efforts for Next Year (cont'd)

Environmental Justice

- Outreach and assistance
- Participate in Integrated Regional Water Management Projects
- Ensure Leviathan remedy is protective of Washoe Tribe resources and health
- Promote drinking water systems including rebates

Climate Change

- Prepare report for Board
- Implement recommendations from workshops
- Encourage infiltration of stormwater and wastewater reuse
- Encourage adaptation and infrastructure improvements
- Protect floodplains

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Statewide Policies

- Grazing Management Regulatory Action Project
 - Bacterial Objectives
 - Antidegradation Policy Update (Ground water)
 - Mercury Management in Reservoirs
 - Compost Facility General Permit
 - Riparian Protection Policies
 - Nutrient Numeric Endpoint Tools
 - Natural Pollutant Sources
 - Stormwater Strategic Initiative
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2015 Planned Workshops

TMDL Implementation and Planning

Underground Storage Tank Cleanup

Mono Basin

Wetland Restoration

Alternative Energy

Enforcement and SEPs



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Potential Future Workshops

Flow requirements to protect/restore
water quality

Leviathan Mine

Onsite Wastewater Systems– Local Plans

Riparian and Wetlands Protection


Irrigated Lands Regulatory Program

Storm Water Strategic Initiative

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Guiding Principles

1. Base decisions on sound science
 2. Build partnerships with stakeholders. Communicate and collaborate. Include affected persons in decision making.
 3. Provide technical assistance and education.
 4. Address highest priority issues
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Guiding Principles (continued)

5. Train and empower Water Board staff in decision making.
 6. Apply appropriate regulation to achieve water quality protection, considering costs of compliance.
 7. Provide high quality customer service.
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Next Steps

- Priorities- Feedback from Board
 - Board Involvement
 - Workshops
 - Statewide Policies and Initiatives
 - Guiding Principles
 - Develop Workplans & Targets
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