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SCOP Update to the Lake Mead Water Quality Forum





Clark County Water Reclamation

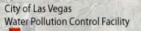


Water Team



September 21, 2006

Current Discharge Program



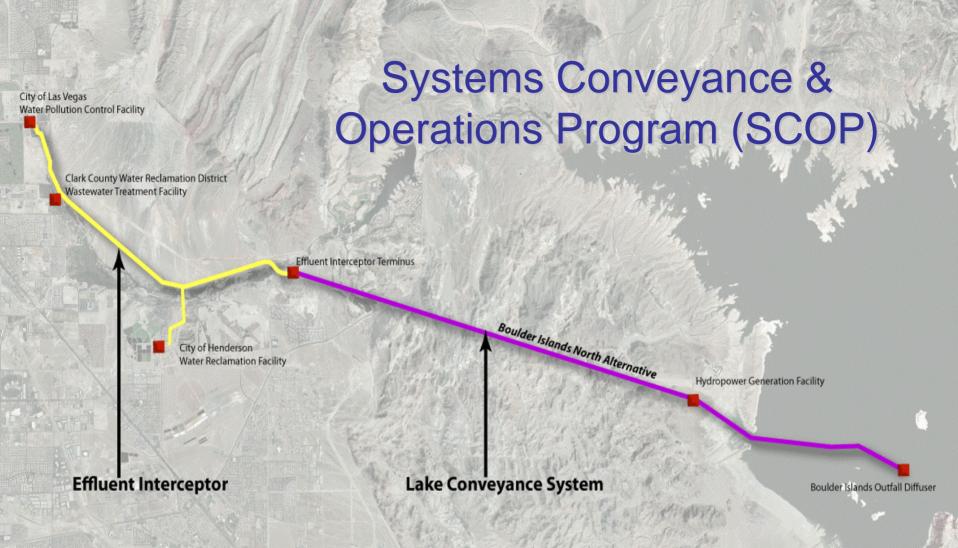
Clark County Water Reclamation District Wastewater Treatment Facility Las Vegas Bay

City of Henderson Water Reclamation Facility

Las Vegas Wash

Boulder Basin Lake Mead

> Hoover Dam



Project Cost Estimate: \$751 million

Project Drivers

- Water Quality in the Inner Bay of Las Vegas Bay and Las Vegas Wash
- Flexibility to provide for future capacity
- Relationship of effluent disposal area to drinking water intakes
- Effects of drought and lower lake levels
- Continued protection of return flow credits
- National Park Service recreational values

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Downstream users

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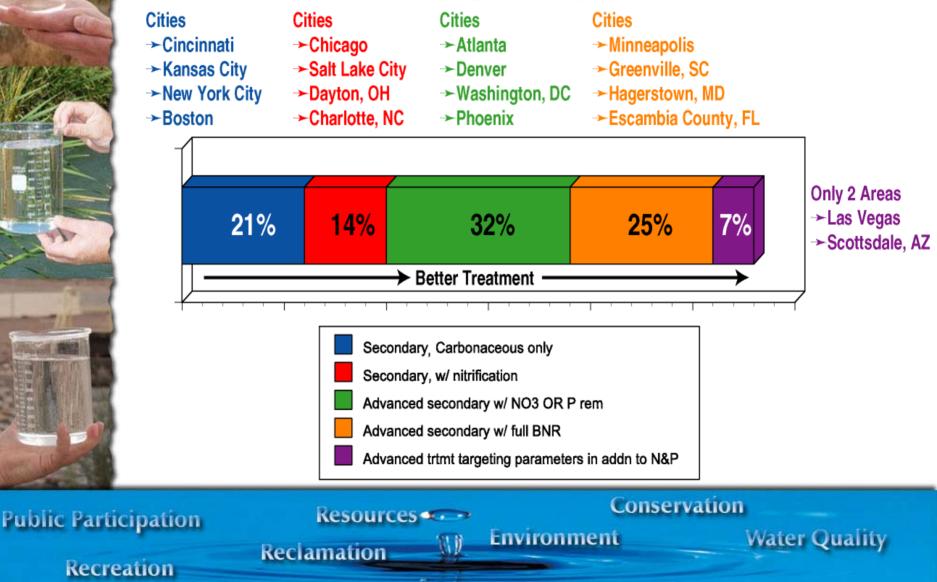
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Comparative Levels of Treatment

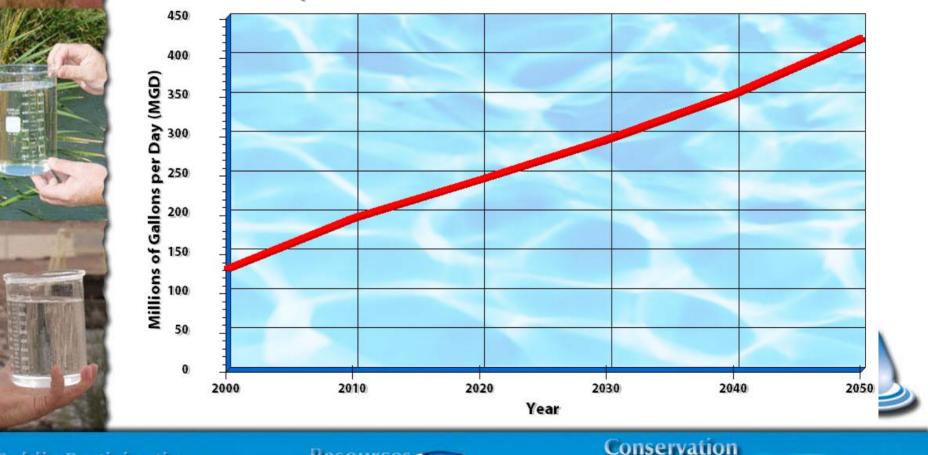


Water Demand and Wastewater Flow

More People = More Water = More Wastewater

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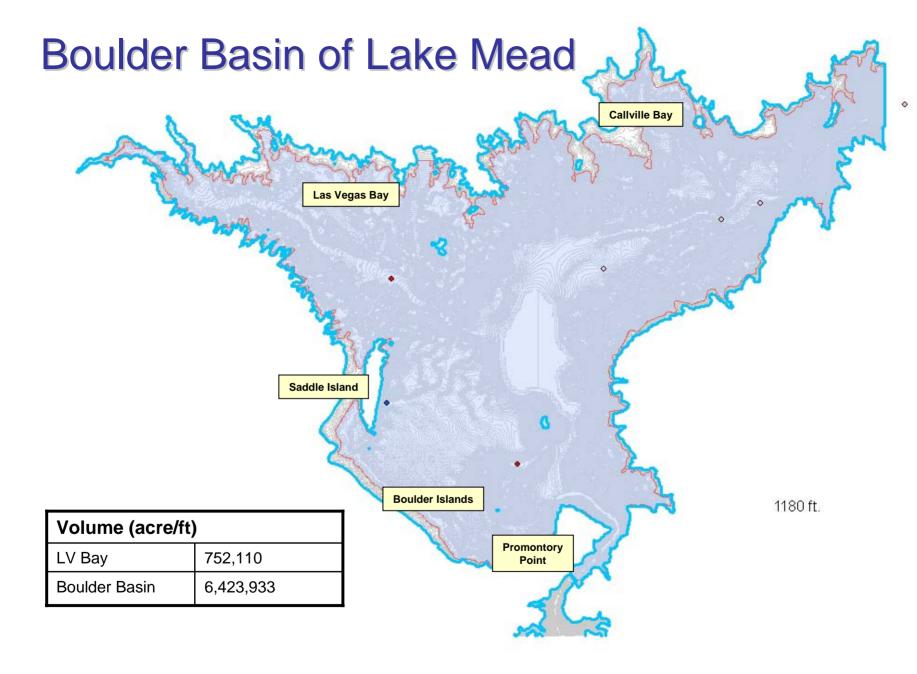
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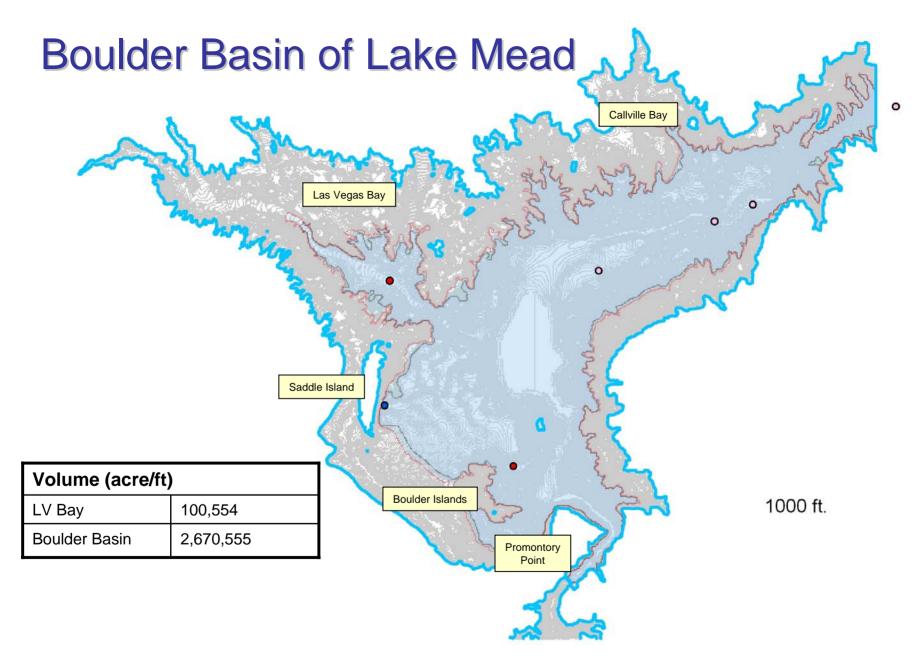
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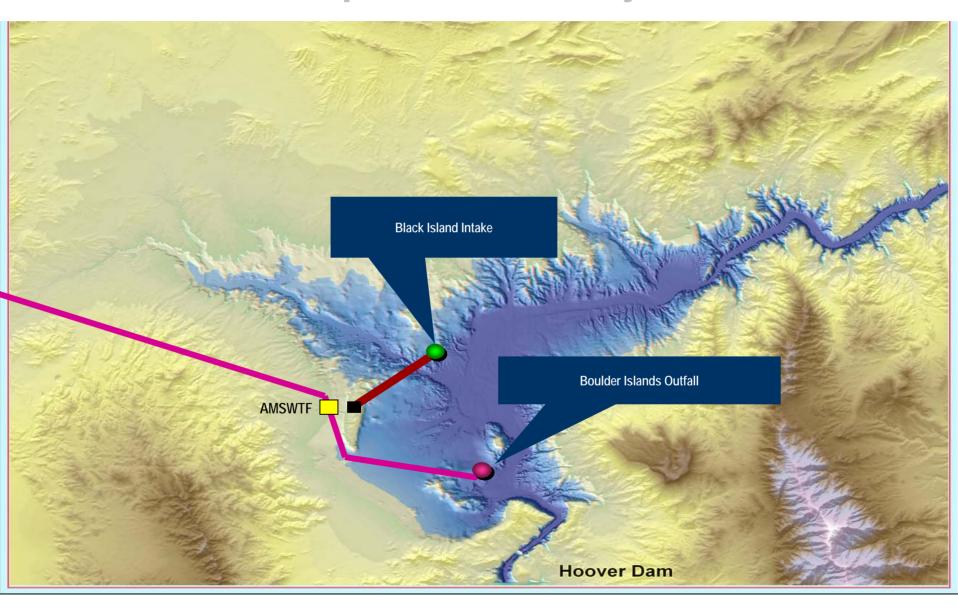
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Companion Projects





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Implementation of Regional Rates

- Regional Connection Charge
 - \$800 per ERU (single-family residence)
 - (Proposed \$400/ERU Oct. 1, 2006)
 - (Proposed increase of \$412/ERU to total of \$812/ERU July 1, 2007)

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- Usage fee (rates per ERU or equivalent)
 - -\$0.65 per month

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Anticipate 2-3% per year increase

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How Do We Compare?

Area	Charge	Fee
Sacramento County, CA	\$6,500	\$322.80
Reno, NV	\$4,321	\$302.64
Livermore, CA (Bay Area)	\$4,000	\$465.00
San Diego, CA	\$3,710	\$556.92
San Bernardino, CA	\$3,500	\$215.40
Seattle, WA	\$3,240	\$421.80
Orange County, CA	\$2,890	\$146.89
Tucson, AZ	\$2,846	\$210.24
Portland, OR	\$2,995	\$543.00
CCWRD	\$2,400	\$179.52
Salt Lake City, UT	\$ 735	\$119.40

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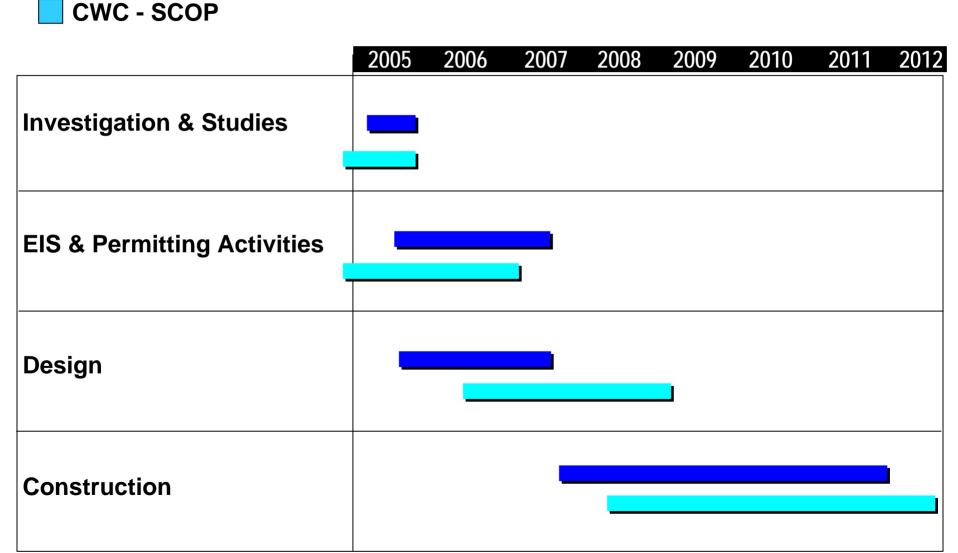
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SNWA - Intake



Environmental Impact Statement

Co-lead agencies

- National Park Service
- Bureau of Reclamation

Cooperating Agencies

- Colorado River Commission
- Bureau of Land Management
- Corps of Engineers
- Metropolitan Water District of Southern California

Other Key Partners

- Clean Water Coalition
- Southern Nevada Water Authority
- US Fish and Wildlife Service

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Nevada Division of Environmental Protection

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• U. S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region IX

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Permitting Schedule

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- Publish Final EIS
 Oct. 20, 2006
- Post Notice of Availability
 - Around Oct. 20, 2006
- Conclude Section 7 Process with USFWS
 - End of December 2006
- MOU's (BBAMP) (MWD)
 - Before the Record Of Decision

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- EIS Record of Decision
 - End of December 2006

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NPDES Permitting

Middle of 2007

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Comments on Draft EIS

EPA, USFWS, NDOW, others

- Las Vegas Wash Effects
- Effects to endangered species, sport fishery
- Effects to terrestrial wildlife during construction
- Endocrine Disruptors

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- Meeting Water Quality Standards
- Some comments addressed in the Final EIS, others through Section 7 consultation, others through Boulder Basin Adaptive Management Public Participatiplan

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Biological Resource Issues

Desert Tortoise

- Construction Issues
 - Personnel Training
 - Biologist on Site
 - Fencing, litter control, speed limits

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- Post-construction restoration

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- Possible Mitigation fees

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Biological Resource Issues

Razorback Suckers

- EDC's and PPCP's
 - Plant Optimization, Flow adjustments
 - EDC monitoring and research (with SNWA)
 - 30 Compounds Six locations Quarterly
 - Research on removal technologies
 - Implementation of advanced technologies
 - Based on adverse affects
 - Based on feasible treatment technologies

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- Triennial Review

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Endocrine Disruptors and Pharmaceuticals

"It is important to gain more information as to the toxicological impacts of trace levels of EDCs and PPCPs in water. Once these impacts are quantified, safe exposure limits can be established, that will allow the water industry to determine 'good removal' rates."

Pharmaceuticals, Personal Care Products, and Endocrine Disruptors in Water: Implications for the Water Industry Shane A. Snyder, Paul Westerhoff, Yeomin Yoon, and David L. Sedlak

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Environmental Engineering Science, 2003, p. 461

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Biological Resource Issues

Razorback Suckers

- Selenium
 - Participation in establishing national criterion
 - Selenium Management Plan (SMP)
 - Provide safe spawning for Razorback Suckers
 - Water Quality sampling in Las Vegas Bay
 - Speciation of Selenium

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- Coordination with the LMWQF
- Coordination with the MAC, LV Wash Team

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- Core Management & Technical Teams
- Water Quality Monitoring
- Water Quality Analysis and Modeling
- Establishment of WQ Management **Objectives and Indices**
- **Develop SCOP Operational Plan**
- **Develop Appropriate Responses**

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Bi-Annual Review and Update

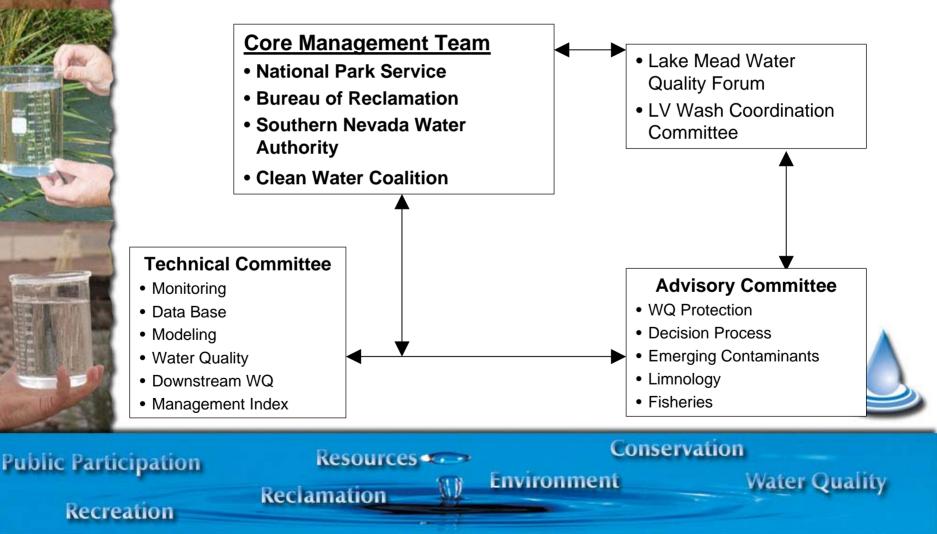
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Boulder Basin Adaptive Management Plan Structure





- Core Management Team (short term)
 - Establish and Define Basic Objectives
 - Meet NPDES and CWA Requirements
 - Meet NPS non-impairment guidelines
 - Protect Drinking Water

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- Protect Return Flow Credits
- Protect recreational and resource values

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- Designate Advisory/Technical Teams
- Monitor water quality and modeling

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- Core Management Team (long term)
 - Oversee Operations, Monitoring, and **Biannual Review of BBAMP**
 - Re-evaluate the BBAMP and adjust as necessary
 - Adopt an Annual Operating Plan outlining the next year's activities

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- Identify initial "items of concern"
 - Meeting current Requirements to Maintain Existing Higher Water Quality
 - Establish Management Indices

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- Meet water quality standards below Hoover Dam
- Maintain SNWA intake water quality
- Protect Boulder Beach and other high use recreation areas
- Maintain viable fish and wildlife populations

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- Water Quality
 - Baseline Monitoring
 - Emerging Contaminants of Concern Monitoring and Research

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- Long Term Water Quality Sampling
- Boulder Basin Specific Relationships
- Establishment of a data repository
- Selenium Management Program
- Data Interpretation and Modeling

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Management Action Plans

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Boulder Basin Adaptive Management Plan Structure

