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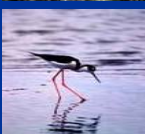
Sinclair & Dyes Inlets Fecal Coliform TMDL

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Overview



- What is a TMDL?
- What is this TMDL about, and how will it involve members of the West Side Watershed?
- Relating this TMDL to the goal of cleaner Puget Sound in 2020

Clean Water Framework



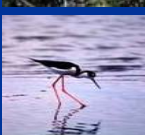
- Federal Clean Water Act – protect, restore nation’s waters
- State Water Quality Standards – protect beneficial uses
 - Shellfish harvest & recreation
 - Public health, aquatic life

TMDLs Defined



– **Total Maximum Daily Load = the maximum input of a pollutant that still allows water body to meet standards**

TMDL = Waste load allocations + Load allocations + Safety Factor



The Two TMDL Tasks

- Quantify -- How much bacteria can these two marine inlets accept and still meet state standards?
- Implement – What approaches will be successful in achieving bacteria reductions?

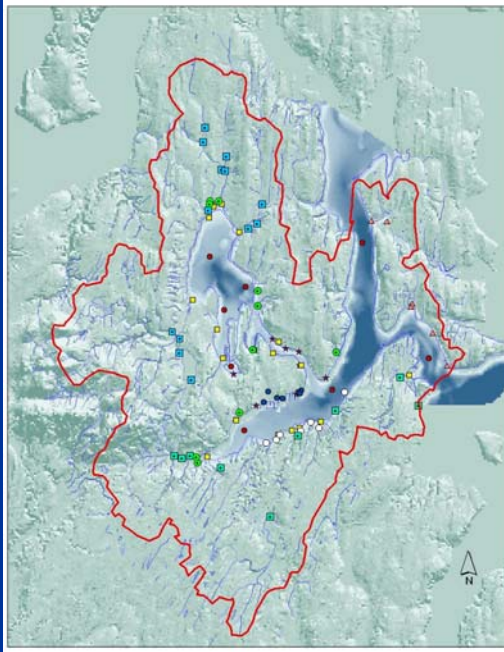


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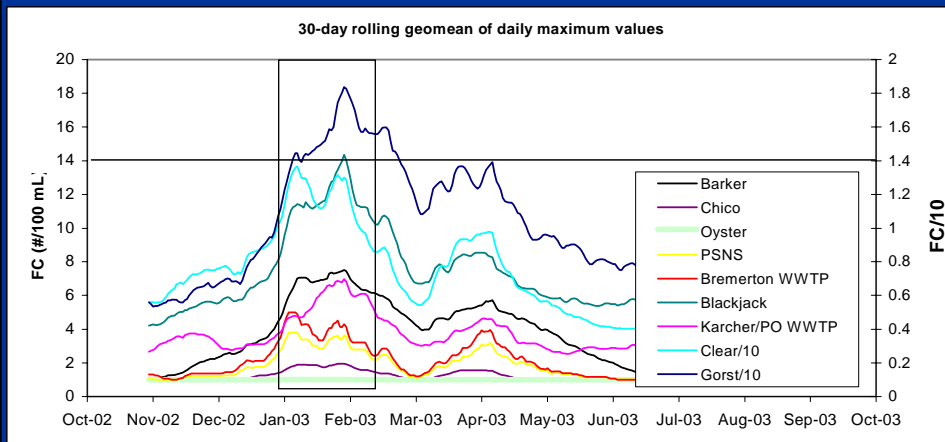
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 - Develop & test models -- Make results accessible & understandable
 - Partnerships – data collection
- Ecology
 - Review model design & results
 - Define critical conditions & Define model runs (Regulatory Workgroup)
 - Set Wasteload & Load Allocations

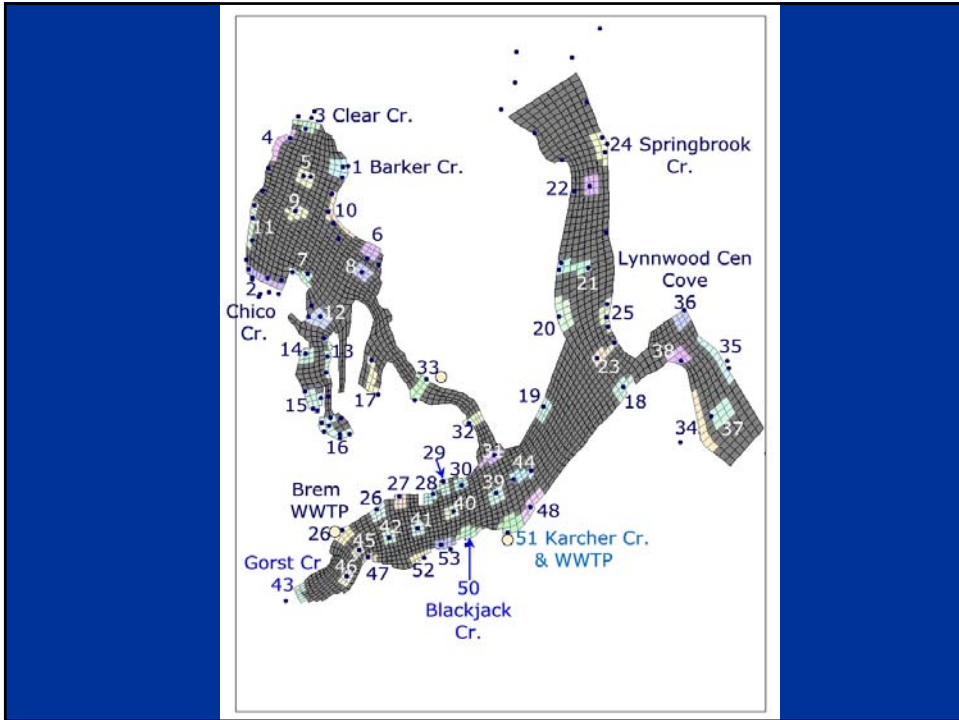
Cooperative Effort

- US-EPA
- PSNS
- WA-DOE
- WA-DOH
- Suquamish Tribe
- KCHD
- Kitsap SWM
- Kitsap PUD
- Bremerton
- Port Orchard
- Bainbridge
- Battelle MSL



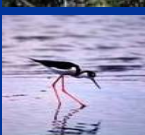
2003 – the “one-year trace”





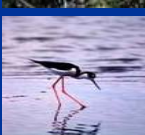
Model Results

- **Dyes Inlet results similar to state DOH Shellfish Classifications**
- **Less accurate in some low-flushing bays – help source ID**
- **Reductions needed – Blackjack, Clear, Gorst, Chico**



Next steps - 2008

- **Setting Wasteload Allocations and Load Allocations (*Ecology and EPA coordination*)**
- **Implementation Plan – Ecology lead with local partners**
 - Review problem locations/sources
 - Review existing practices
 - Define needed practices, structures, programs



TMDL Implementation Plan

- **Actions that will reduce FC bacteria**
- **Point sources – municipal stormwater permittees, WWTPs**
- **Nonpoint – onsite septic systems, marinas, pet waste**



TMDL Link to Phase II Municipal Stormwater Permit



Permittees: Bremerton, Bainbridge Island, Port Orchard, Kitsap County



General permit requirements – will these reduce FC bacteria?



Specific TMDL-related requirements attached to next issued Phase II permit



Incentive to reduce FC early?



Implementation Plan - Nonpoint



- **Current programs (Kitsap Health PIC) to address bacteria inputs to streams**



- **Further identify FC sources**



- **Shoreline sources – boats and marinas**



- **Better funding & programs to prevent/reduce spills/CSOs/replace aging sewer infrastructure**



More info & Link to Puget Sound Partnership



http://www.ecy.wa.gov/programs/wq/tmdl/sinclair-dyes_inlets/index.html



Study results apply to many Puget Sound shorelines



Bob Johnston appointed to PSP Science Panel



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