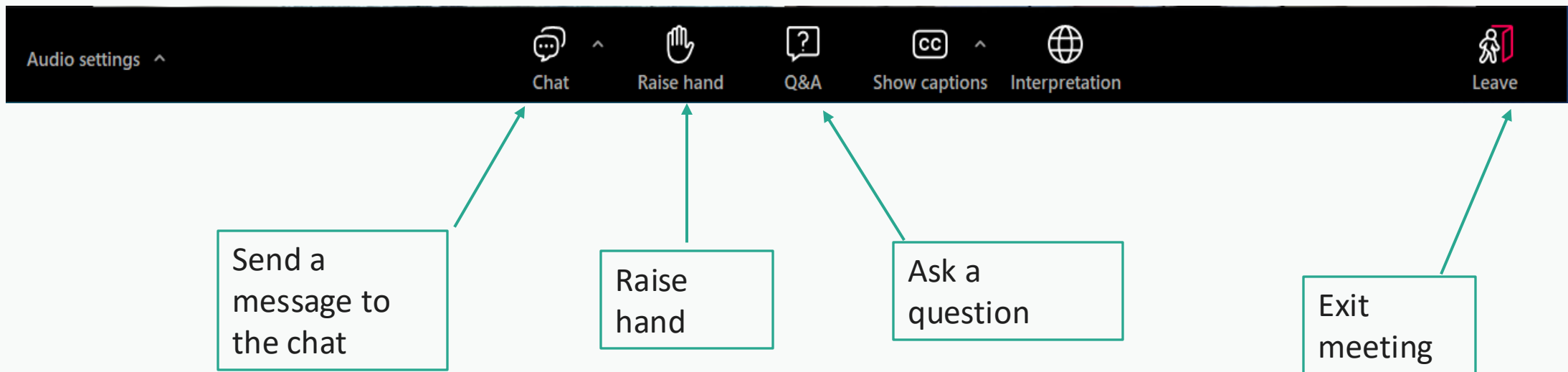




Regional Oversight Committee Meeting

October 9, 2024



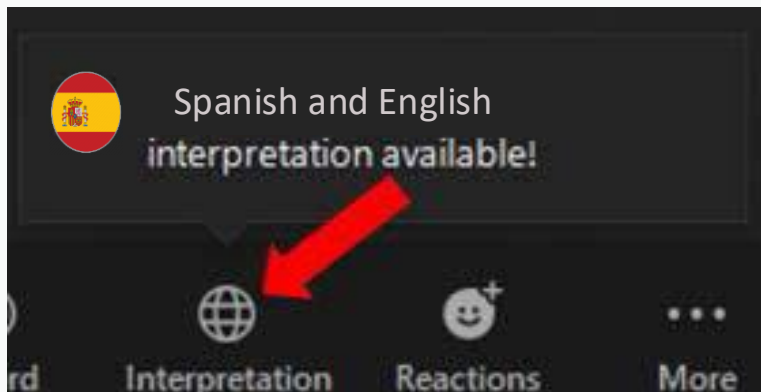


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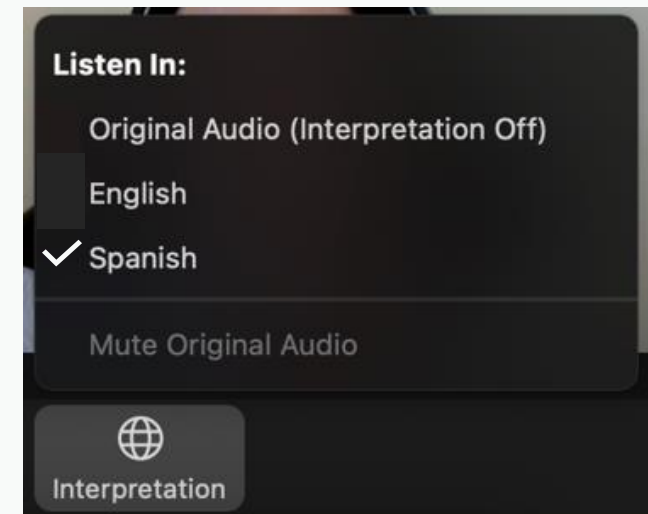
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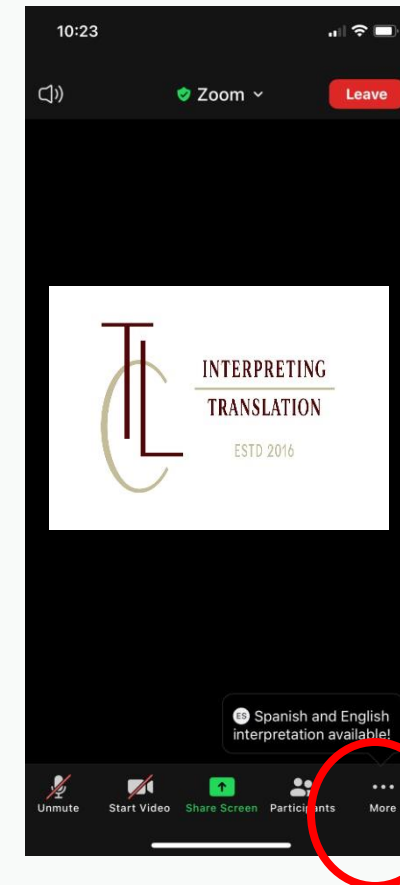
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Member	Expertise	Affiliation
Belinda Faustinos, Chair	Community Investment Benefits, Nature-Based Solutions	NGO (retired) and State Agency Executive
Diana Tang, Vice Chair	Water Quality	City of Long Beach
Maria Mehranian	Water Quality, Water Supply	Cordoba and Former LA Regional Water Quality Control Board Chair
Charles Trevino	Water Supply	Upper San Gabriel Valley Municipal Water District
Lauren Ahkiam	Community Investment Benefits	LAANE (Los Angeles Alliance for a New Economy)
Kristine Guerrero	Water Quality	League of California Cities
Barbara Romero	Water Quality, Community Investment Benefits, Nature-Based Solutions	City of Los Angeles
Mark Gold	Water Quality, Water Supply	Natural Resources Defense Council
Diana Mahmud	Water Supply, Community Investment Benefits	Former City Councilmember, City of South Pasadena
Carl Blum	Water Quality, Water Supply	LA County Flood Control District (non-voting member)
Norma Camacho	Water Quality	Chair of the LA Regional Water Quality Control Board (non-voting member)

Meeting Purpose

Safe, Clean Water Program Regional Oversight Committee Purpose:

High-level review and assessment of the implementation of the Safe, Clean Water Program (SCWP) to help ensure that Program Purposes and Goals are met.

Meeting Purpose:

Facilitated ROC discussion about the SCWP Municipal Program, including a summary to date, current and potential efforts to build upon the ROC Biennial Report, and integration with the Regional Program and Watershed Planning.

Agenda Review:

1. Welcome and Introductions
2. On-line and Spanish Language Participation Information
3. Roll Call
4. Agenda Review and Meeting Purpose
5. *Ex Parte* Communication Disclosures
6. Approval of September 11, 2024, Meeting Minutes
7. Public Comment Period
8. Discussion Item: SCW Program Municipal Program
9. Voting Items
10. ROC Member Updates
11. Program Administration & Biennial Report Updates
12. Items for Next Agenda / 6-month look-ahead
 - Regional Program Reporting
 - Scientific Studies Review and Discussion
13. Meeting Adjourned



AGENDA ITEM #8

Municipal Program

**SAFE CLEAN WATER PROGRAM
Regional Oversight Committee Meeting
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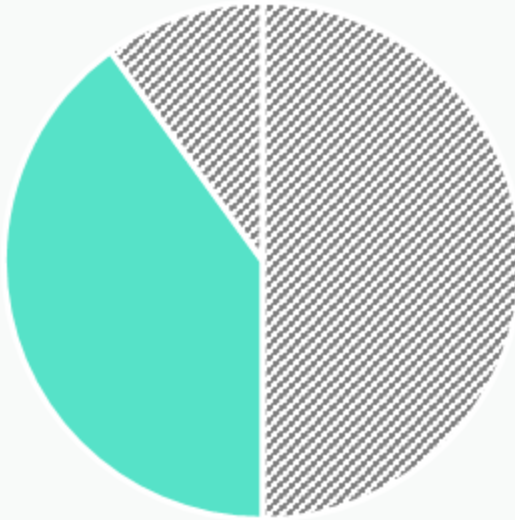
**Handbook for
Municipalities**

What We're Covering Today

- Purpose & Trajectory of SCWP Municipal Program
- Overview of SCWP Municipal Program
- ROC's Role
- Municipal Program Reporting up to FY22-23
- Findings & Observations
- Next Steps for Adaptive Management of Municipal Program

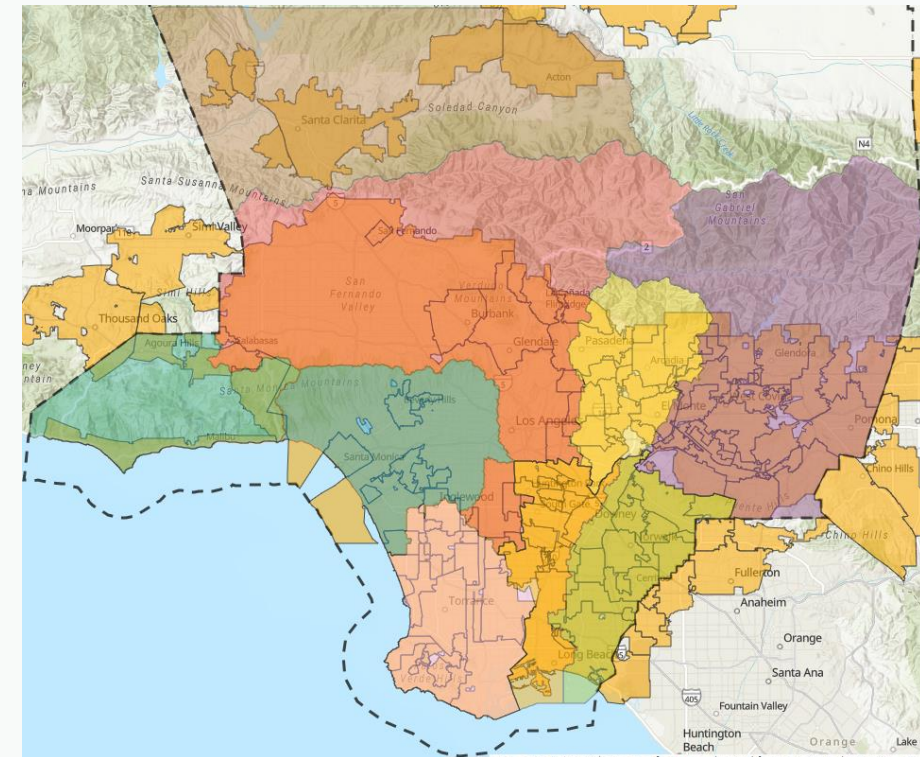


Overview for Municipal Program



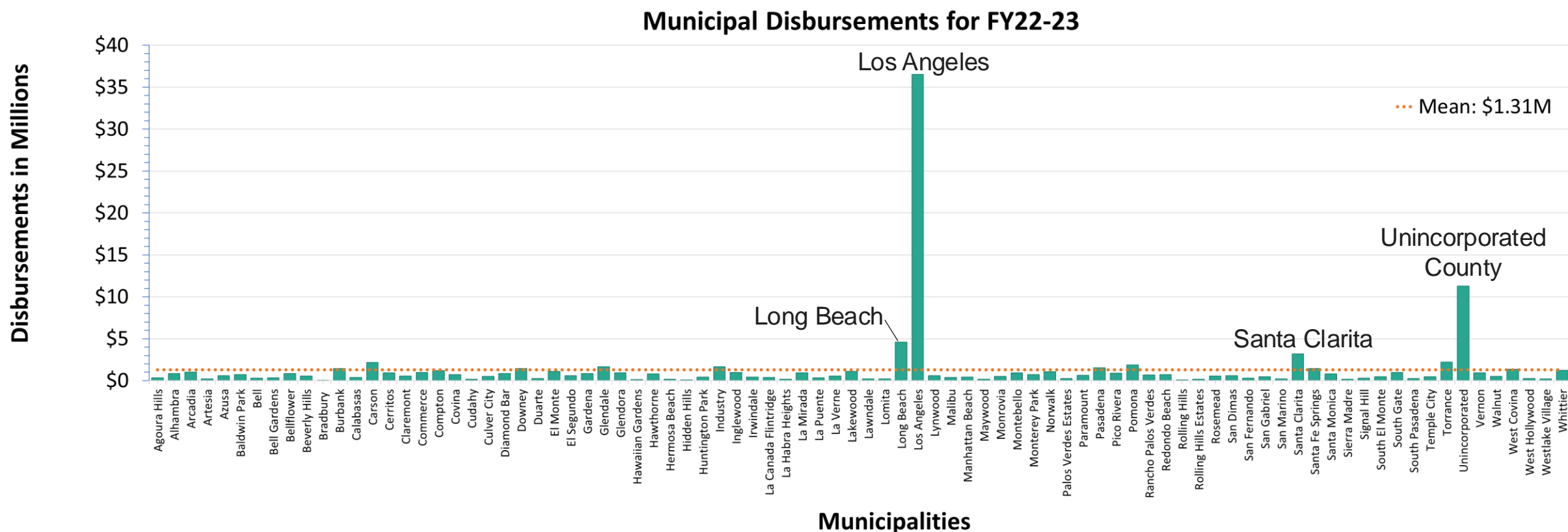
40% of SCWP Tax Collection is allocated to **86 Municipalities** (proportionately based on how much each municipality contributed to the SCW Program) to implement, operate & maintain, and administer Projects and Programs to achieve SCWP Goals

- Address local stormwater and urban runoff challenges and opportunities
- Approximate Annual SCWP Tax revenue for Municipal Program: \$111.5M



Distribution of Municipal Program FY22-23 Funds

- Max: \$36.5M (City of Los Angeles)
- Min: \$0.054M (City of Bradbury)
- Mean: \$1.3M
- Median: \$0.6M



ROC's Role



Ordinance (18.06.D.4)

- The ROC shall review the Municipalities' Annual Reports after the District has completed its preliminary determination [of completeness], to evaluate whether and the extent to which the Municipalities' expenditures achieved SCW Program Goals and develop recommendations as appropriate. The ROC shall report its findings and recommendations to the Board [via Biennial Reports] and provide copies to the respective Municipalities.*

SCWP Reporting Repository:
<https://portal.safecleanwaterla.org/scw-reporting/reports>

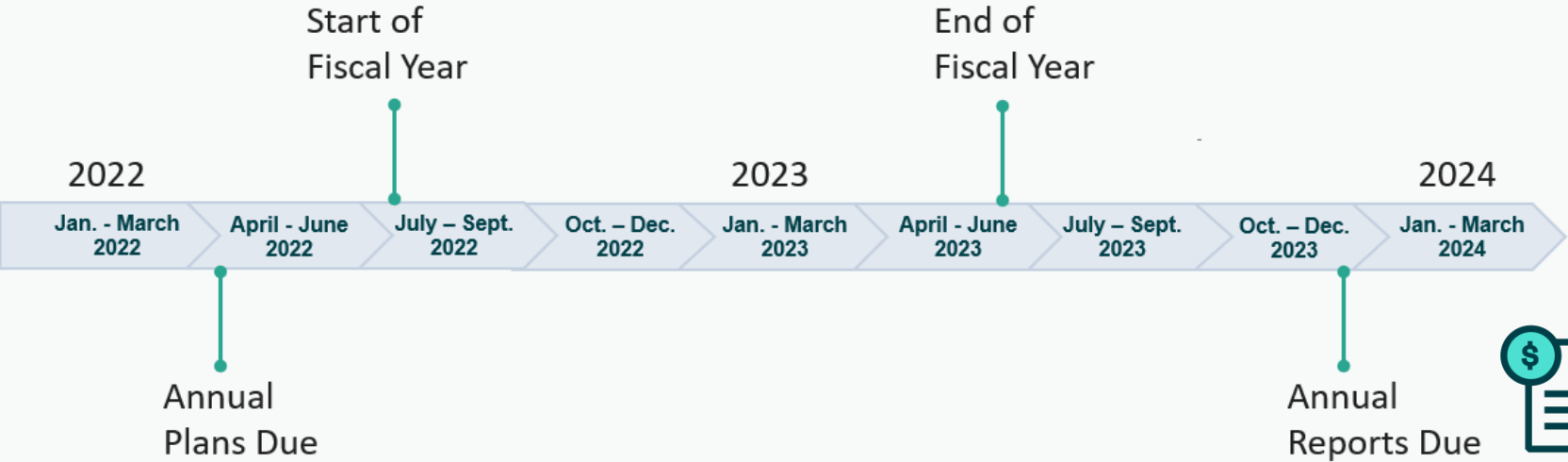
Regional Program			
Municipal Program			
Municipality	Annual Report	FY22-23	Clear All Filters
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Municipality	Document Type	Fiscal Year	Downloads
West Covina	Annual Report	FY22-23	Download
Claremont	Annual Report	FY22-23	Download
Irwindale	Annual Report	FY22-23	Download
San Dimas	Annual Report	FY22-23	Download

Municipal Program FY22-23 Reporting Timeline

- Each Municipality *shall prepare, prior to the start of that Municipality’s fiscal year, a plan for how SCWP funds be will used in the ensuing fiscal year per 18.06.B*
- *Each Municipality shall prepare and submit an annual report to the District, not later than six months after the end of that Municipality’s fiscal year per 18.06.D*
- Key data for FY22-23 (July 1st, 2022 – June 30th, 2023), the first FY beyond the Biennial Report:

SCW Funds	Completed
Annual Plan Due April 1, 2022	86 of 86
Annual Report Due December 31, 2023	75* of 86

*9 municipalities are still addressing PW comments and 2 have not yet submitted



Municipal Program Eligible Activities

- Projects
 - Feasibility/design/construction activities
 - Includes new projects/infrastructure, as well as retrofits, upgrades (e.g., trash capture)
 - Includes smaller, distributed and regional projects
- Programs
 - e.g., watershed coordination/studies, water quality compliance programs, street sweeping, stormwater system cleaning, landscaping, etc.
- Operations & Maintenance
- Post Construction Monitoring
- Stakeholder & Community Outreach/Engagement
- Debt financing
- Real property acquisition
- Bonds
 - May use funds to finance bonds issued by the District or Municipalities so long as the bond proceeds are used for Projects and Programs eligible for SCWP

>85%



Summary of Municipal Program Funds FY20-21 to FY22-23

FY20-21 to FY22-23	SCWP Municipal Program Funds
Total Tax Collection	\$334.6M
Total Budgeted in Annual Plans	\$306.5M
Total Expenditures in Annual Reports	\$168.1M
Cumulative Balance (Rollover to future FY)	\$166.5M



Based on reported information from Completed Annual Plans and Reports as of 10/3/2024

Reported Municipal Activities Summary FY20-21 to FY22-23

571

Project and Program Activities for
the Municipal Program

\$168.1M

Expenditures of SCW Municipal Program
in first 3 years towards Projects

Number of Projects Constructed

12

Cost Share towards Regional
Program Infrastructure Project

20

Projects

\$30.4

MILLION

Projects are being implemented
across

61

MUNICIPALITIES

Total Number of Municipal Project
Activities being implemented

160

Activities

Municipal Program Activities are
being implemented across

83

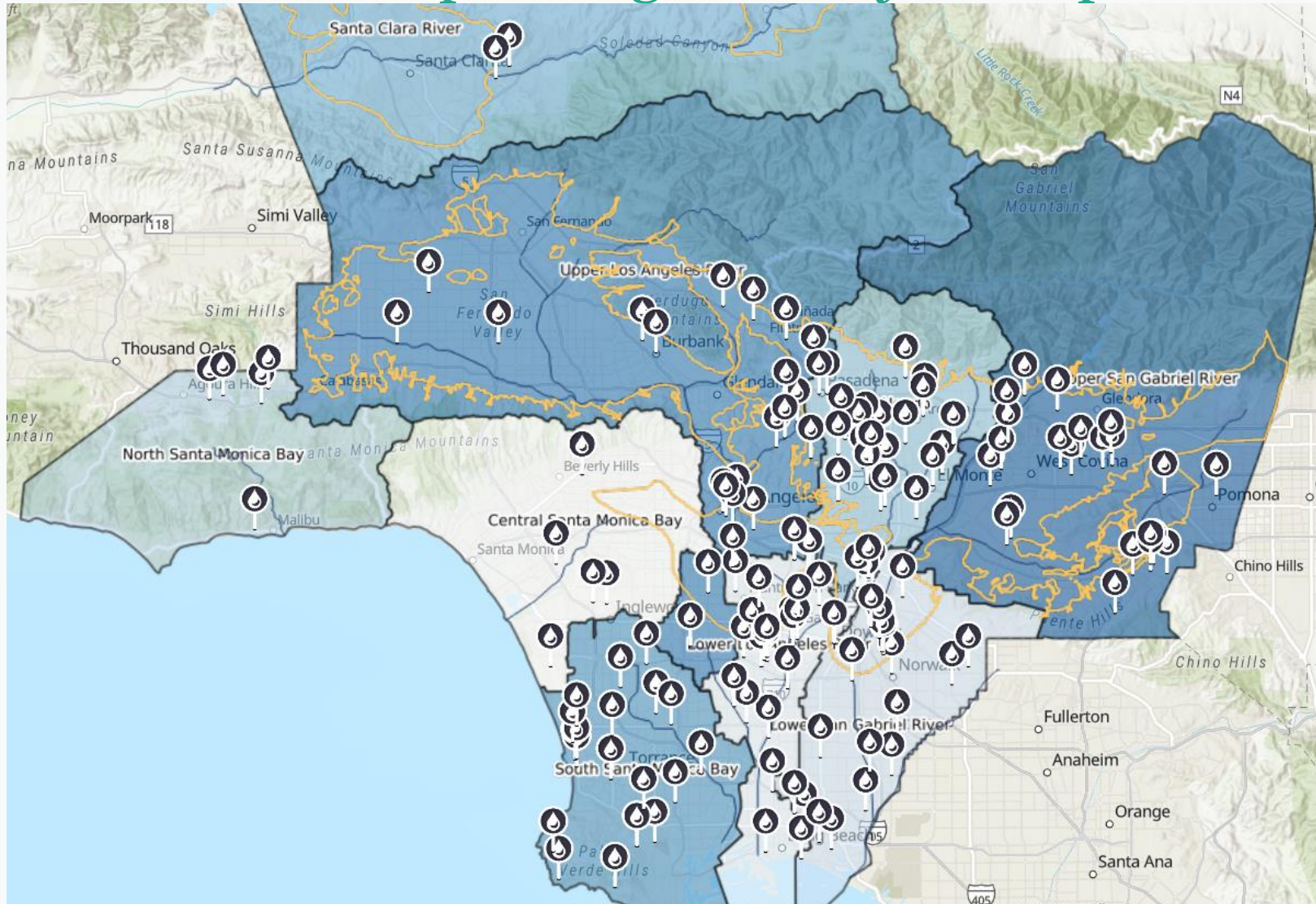
Municipalities

Total Reported Expenditures on all
Activity Types

\$83.9

Million

Municipal Program Project Map



Note: Not all municipalities provide coordinates for projects and are not mapped

Municipal Program Reported Expenditures for Activities

Municipal Activity Type	Program to Date (FY20-21 through FY22-23)	
	Number of Activities	Total SCWP Expenditures
*Project Activities	160	\$83.9M
Program	335	\$72.3M
Operation & Maintenance	65	\$11.8M
Post Construction Monitoring	-	-
Stakeholder & Community Outreach/Engagement	11	\$0.14M
Total	571	\$168.1M
<i>*Includes Cost Share with Regional Program Projects</i>	20	\$30.4M

- 12 Projects reported completing construction during the first 3 years of the program

Municipal Program – Maintenance of Effort

Current Definitions:

Ordinance

- Up to thirty percent (30%) of a Municipality's Municipal Program funds may be used to pay for costs and expenses incurred on or after November 6, 2018, related to the continuation of Programs implemented or the maintenance of Projects prior to November 6, 2018

SCWP Fund Expenditures	Program to Date (FY20-21 to FY22-23)
New	\$102.1M (31%)
Existing	\$66.1M (20%)
Cumulative Balance (Rollover to future FY)	\$166.5M (49%)
Total Disbursements to Municipalities	\$334.6M (100%)

Percentage of Municipalities Implementing an Activity towards SCWP Goals

SCWP Goal	SCWP Goal Description	FY20-21 to FY22-23
A	Water Quality	94%
B	Water Supply	72%
C	Community Investment Benefits	58%
D	Leverage Funding	53%
E	Multi-Benefit Project	73%
F	Nature-Based Solutions	47%
G	Spectrum of Sizes	53%

Note: Municipalities self report project/program benefits and associated goals addressed

Percentage of Municipalities Implementing an Activity towards SCWP Goals

SCWP Goal	SCWP Goal Description	FY20-21 to FY22-23
H	Adopt New Technology	37%
I	Scientific Studies	21%
J	Disadvantaged Community Investments	34%
K	Provide Regional Program infrastructure funds benefiting Municipality	N/A
L	Adaptive Management	70%
M	Green Jobs & Career Pathways	64%
N	Ongoing Operations & Maintenance	64%

Note: Municipalities self report project/program benefits and associated goals addressed

Public Works Observations & Findings

- Some Municipalities with smaller disbursements are allowing funds to accumulate to fund larger projects/investments in the future
- Incorporation of new performance measures from MMS (based on expenditure type) will allow for additional insights in the future
- Some Municipalities will benefit from:
 - Additional support for administering and implementing their Municipal Program.
 - Enhanced guidance documents to set clearer definitions, requirements, and processes for the Municipal Program.
 - Improvement to reporting module to streamline, improve, and help Municipalities report benefits and BMP types for projects.
 - Active engagement with the Watershed Coordinators to align with strategies in the Strategic Outreach and Engagement Plans (SOEP).



Watershed Planning and the Municipal Program



- Includes the compilation and analysis of funded projects and activities from the Municipal Program (and leveraged funding for Regional Program Projects) using available data
- For the Initial Plans, existing Municipal Program activities/projects are being used to assess Water Quality, Water Supply, and Community Investment Benefits, progress towards targets, and evaluate opportunity areas.
- Engagement with Municipalities (via WASCs and separate engagement and web surveys) is being undertaken to augment available project data and further represent Municipal Program activities as part of the Adaptive Plans.



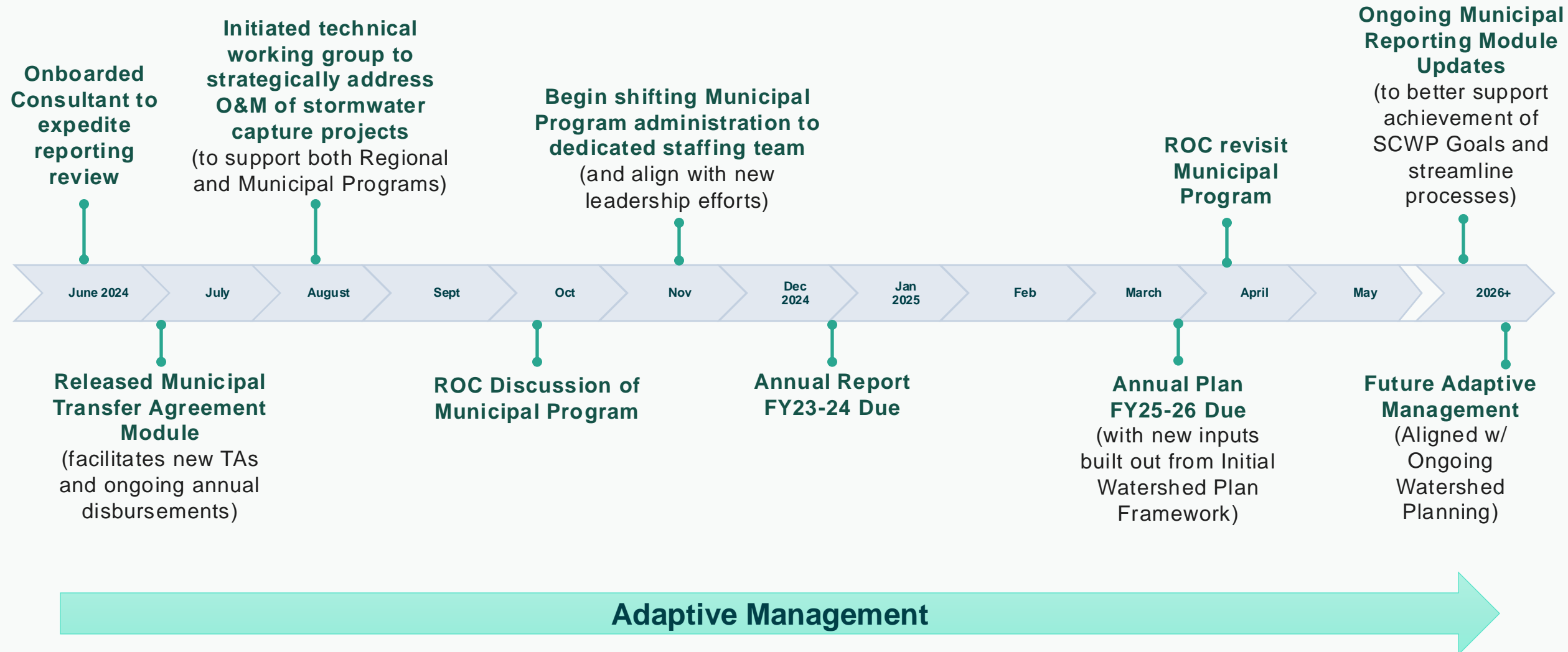
Watershed Planning Integration into the Municipal Program

Further engagement with other interested groups to get a variety of perspectives, include the following:

- A web-based survey will be distributed to Municipal representatives to obtain additional feedback
- MS4 LA Permit Group
- Watershed Coordinators
- League of Cities
- Other Municipalities may inform us through our watershed planning email: watershedplanning@pw.lacounty.gov

Additional Engagements above are being conducted to ensure cities are informed and participate in their respective WASC Water shed Planning Workshops

Tentative SCWP Municipal Program Adaptive Management Timeline



ROC's SCWP Biennial Progress Report

Observations & Findings for Municipal Program

- Staffing turnover rates at individual municipalities and exposure/understanding of the SCWP varies widely. Significant coordination and education are needed to facilitate timely and complete reporting and Transfer Agreements for the 86 municipalities.
- Streamlining of the Annual Plan and Annual Report procedures may allow for expedited processes.
- Expanding the functionality and user interfaces for the Municipal Reporting Module could support more in-depth insights into fund expenditures.
- Additional metrics and criteria, in alignment with the Metrics and Monitoring Study (MMS) could allow for more informative reporting towards Program Goals at the Municipal Program level.



Next Steps for Adaptive Management of Municipal Program



Recommendations in Biennial Report	Status
Watershed Planning	Supplement definitions, establish key targets for Watershed Areas
Obtain additional dedicated resources to provide pro-active leadership	<p>SCWP Municipal Program is transitioning to a dedicated team being assembled to administer and support the Municipalities.</p> <p>Onboarded consultant to assist in reviewing Municipal Program Reporting such as Annual Plans and Annual Reports.</p>
Create/strengthen collaborative planning and co-funding with other agencies and organizations	Municipal Program team will assist in coordinating collaborative planning between municipalities as applicable. Watershed Coordinators have a co-funding database and resources available for use.
Coordinate between the Regional and Municipal programs	Watershed coordinators continue to proactively engage Municipalities in Regional Program and SCWP processes. Watershed planning is assessing further integration through opportunities and recommendations.
Evaluate recommendations that will result from the Metrics and Monitoring Study (MMS)	Study completed and presented. MMS data and recommendations are being built into the current watershed planning efforts.

Next Steps for Adaptive Management of Municipal Program (Continued)



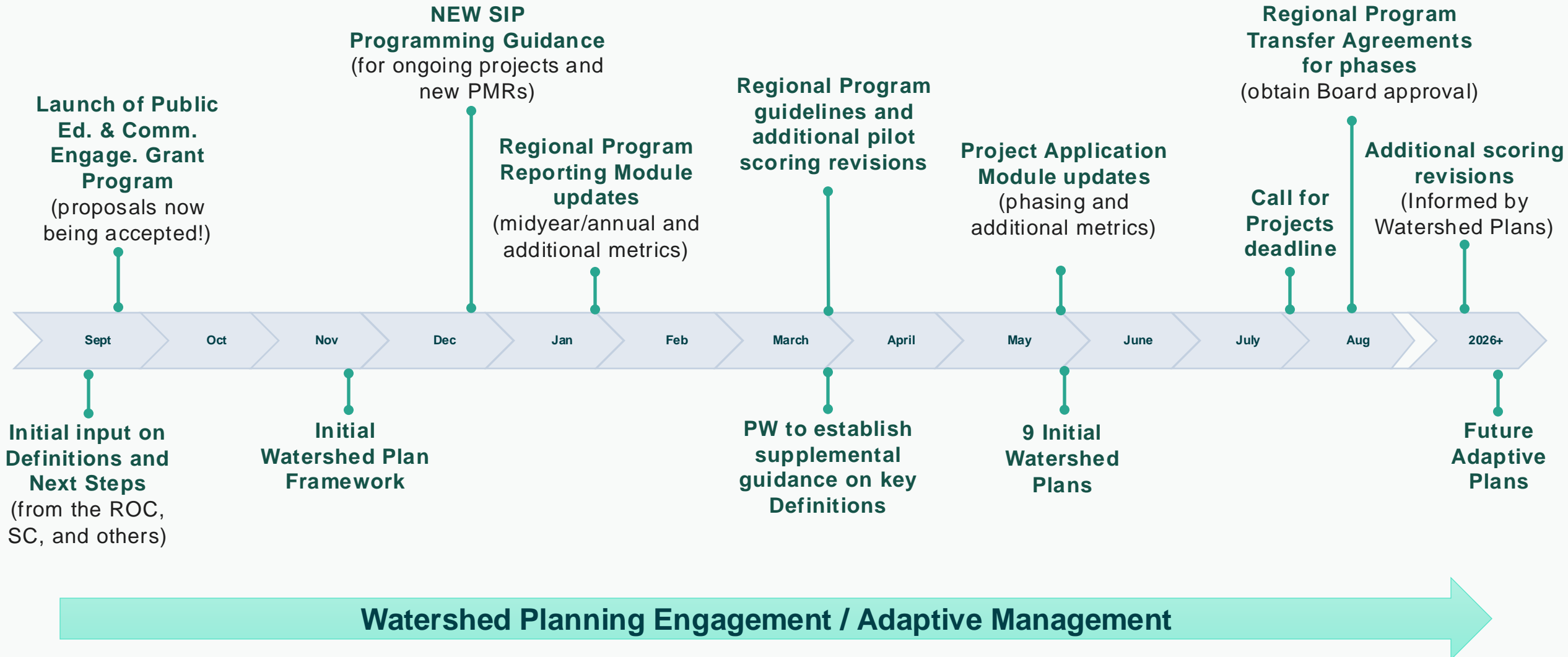
Other Efforts	Desired Outcomes
Dedicated Public Works Municipal Program Team	Support municipalities with project identification, partnerships, development, and related activities, as well as integrate lessons learned from technical working group.
CWA/PLA Compliance	Enhance tools/processes to regularly communicate requirements and support/track compliance at key project stages.
SCW Portal modifications	Incorporation of new information stemming from ongoing Watershed Planning and ensure annual planning and reporting is aligned.
Municipal Program guidance	Update Municipal Program Handbook for municipalities to reflect updated definitions, performance measures, etc.
Municipal Program non-project activity study	Conduct study to identify and evaluate full spectrum of non-project activities to support development of new guidance



ROC Biennial Progress Report Updates

Recommendations	Status
Expedite watershed planning efforts	In progress
Establish DAC investment quantitative goals and develop a plan	Early performance measures are being incorporated into program (see 5/8 workbook), and additional evaluation/opportunities are included in watershed planning
Make strategic investments in workforce development programs	Dedicated team assessing options and coordinating with DEO
Revise Regional Program quarterly reporting to twice yearly	Ordinance amended on 5/21/24 (email blast sent out on 6/5/24)
Revise the process and timeline for the ROC to evaluate Goals and SIPs	2024 monthly ROC schedule established; Strategy sessions completed; Routine 6-month look ahead incorporated into agendas
Evaluate recommendations from the Metrics and Monitoring Study (MMS)	Study completed; District implementing some recommendations and evaluating/utilizing others via watershed planning. MMS Info Session recording available online

Tentative SCWP Adaptive Management Timeline





Tentative Six Month Look Ahead

2024

September 11

- *Watershed Planning*
- *Introduce 6-month outlook*

October 9

- *Review/Discuss Municipal Program*

November 13 (alternate location: Long Beach)

- Regional Program Reporting
- Scientific Studies Review and Discussion

December 11

- Watershed Planning presentation on November Framework
- CWP Overview, Implementation Update, Interconnectivity of Initiatives

Standing Topics in all ROC Meetings:

- Status of Watershed Planning
- Status updates related to ROC Recommendations

2025

January 8

- Planning for 2025
- Detailed Biennial Report update

February 12

- Workforce Development?

March 12

- Biennial Report session #1?

April 9

- Revisit Municipal Program/Reporting?

Volunteers to help secure future alternate locations?

Thank you

QUESTIONS?

Contact the
Regional Oversight Committee
Executive Clerk

Los Angeles County Public Works
Hotline: 1-833-ASK-SCWP (7297)

SCWP_ROC_ExecClerk@pw.lacounty.gov

Safe Clean Water LA - LA County's Safe Clean Water Program Website
<https://safecleanwaterla.org/>