

INTEGRATION AND COORDINATION OF PROGRAMS AND ACTIVITIES

The SDRWQCB implements a number of programs and conducts a number of activities for the purpose of protecting the quality and beneficial uses of the waters of the state.

Table 3 summarizes these programs and activities. The watershed management approach is intended to integrate and coordinate these programs and activities so that water resource issues and problems are addressed effectively and efficiently.

The shift from the existing program oriented management approach to a watershed oriented management approach will necessarily involve all surface water and, eventually, all ground water protection programs and activities of the SDRWQCB. At this time, the emphasis for integration and coordination of programs and activities is in the following areas:

- Basin Planning Program
- Monitoring and Assessment Program
- Total Maximum Daily Load (TMDL) Program
- Nonpoint Source (NPS) Program
- Water Quality Certification (aka Wetlands) Program
- NPDES Program (storm water and waste water)
- Chapter 15 Program
- Non Chapter 15 Program

Table 4 outlines several initial steps taken, planned, or under consideration to improve integration and coordination of SDRWQCB programs and activities.

The following sections highlight issues and considerations related to several programs and activities that are of particular interest and importance from a watershed management perspective. **Appendix B** contains a schedule for completing specific mandated activities in the Basin Planning, NPDES, Chapter 15, and Non Chapter 15 programs. **Appendix C** contains schedules for completing activities in the TMDL program.