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## Freshwater CyanoHABs Program (Blue-Green Algae)

Harmful algal blooms (HABs) and algal toxins have increased globally in geographic range, frequency, duration, and severity in recent years. HABs are problematic because they can affect multiple beneficial uses including recreation, aquatic life, and drinking water by reducing aesthetics, lowering dissolved oxygen concentration, causing taste and odor problems, and producing potent toxins.

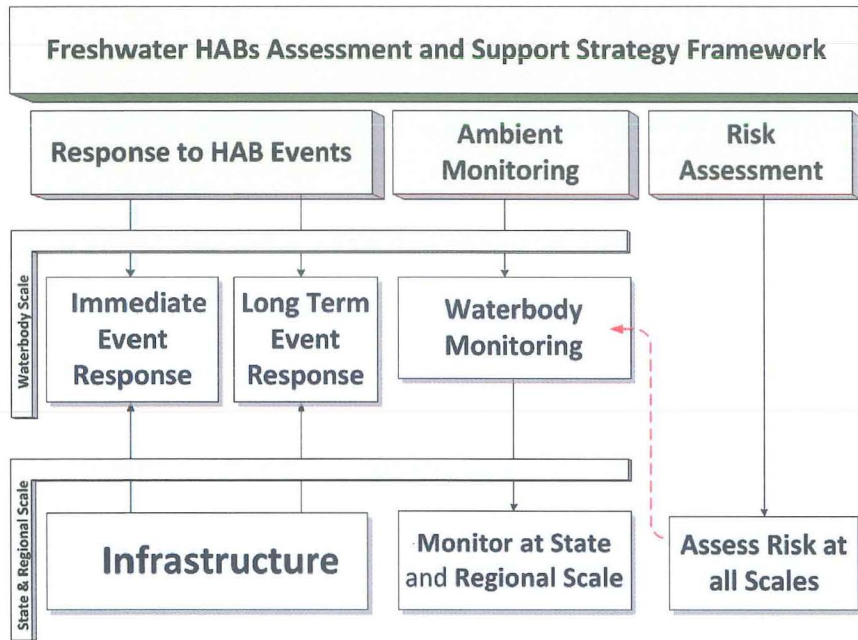
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### Report a Bloom

Report a cyanobacteria bloom to [CyanoHAB.Reports@waterboards.ca.gov](mailto:CyanoHAB.Reports@waterboards.ca.gov)

Please include a photo and location if available. You may be contacted for additional information.



### [California Freshwater HAB Assessment and Support Strategy](#)

The goal of the California Freshwater HAB Assessment and Support Strategy is to articulate a coordinated and widely supported long-term program to assess, communicate, and manage CyanoHABs, cyanotoxins, and other nuisance freshwater HABs.

### [Harmful Algal Bloom Factsheet](#)

### [California CyanoHAB Network \(CCHAB\)](#)

The California CyanoHAB Network is a Statewide Blue-Green Algae Working Group, bringing all of the stakeholders that work on cyanoHABs to the table to collectively resolve issues and create a statewide framework to address cyanoHABs in California's freshwater and marine ecosystems.

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