

NATURE

BASED SOLUTIONS

LA COUNTY
WATER PLAN

Blue-Ribbon Panel

AGENDA

1:00 – 1:10 p.m. | Arrival and Check-in

1:10 – 1:15 p.m. | Welcome and Agenda Overview

1:15 – 2:30 p.m. | Discuss Recommendations

- [Parallel Tracks Document](#)

2:30 – 3:00 p.m. | Discuss Metrics Organized by Next Steps

- [BRP Metrics by Criteria](#)

3:00 – 3:10 p.m. | Break

3:10 – 3:30 p.m. | Q&A on Complete Standard Package

- [Standard Package](#)

3:30 – 3:50 p.m. | Share-out Recommendations Report Outline

3:50 – 4:00 p.m. | Wrap-up and Next Steps

MEETING AGREEMENTS OVERVIEW

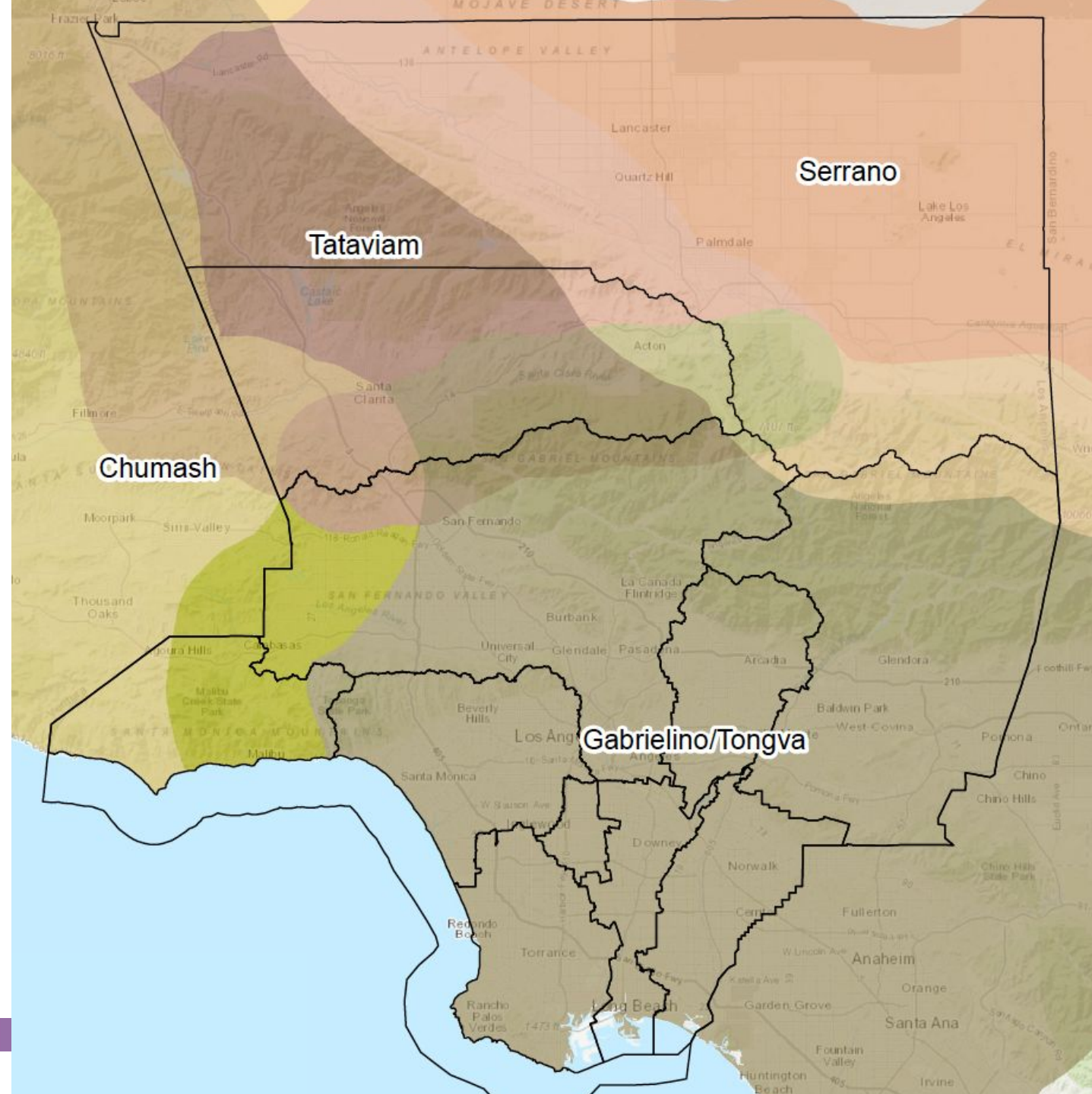
1. Expect and accept non-closure.
2. Speak from your own experience. Use “I” statements.
3. Listen attentively and fully. Participate actively.
4. Be concise and say what's core.
5. Notice power dynamics in the room. Take space, make space.
6. Respect confidentiality.
7. Disagreements will be handled with professionalism and open-mindedness.
8. Take care of yourself (e.g. water, snack, bathroom breaks).

Acknowledgement of Native American Homelands

We acknowledge that we are presently on unceded land of the Gabrielino/Gabrieleño Tongva, Ventureño Chumash, Gabrielino Kizh, Fernandeño Tataviam Band of Mission Indians, and the San Manuel Band of Mission Indians. We recognize that these Tribes are still present and that they are the original stewards of this land and waters.

We make this acknowledgement out of respect for their long-standing connection to and protection of this area's watersheds.

We honor their elders, both past and present, and their descendants. We have the responsibility to carry out actions in unceded lands that will meaningfully involve citizens of these tribes.



PRIORITY TASKS

1. **Develop Countywide definitions and standards for Nature-based Solutions**
2. **Prioritize Nature-based Solutions in stormwater capture projects**
3. **Build upon the Safe, Clean Water Program's Metrics & Monitoring Study and 2022 Interim Guidance**

RECOMMENDATIONS

Parallel Tracks Small Group Discussion (15 Minutes)

In Groups of 3–4 Review the Parallel Tracks Document

Discuss the Following:

- Are there any clarifications you need on the tracks?
- Which track does your group prefer, and why?
- Are there pieces from other tracks you'd want to keep?
- Are there any tracks your group would not support?

Open Q&A (30 Minutes)

- Bring up any outstanding questions or comments with the full group

Please Share (15 Minutes):

- Is your group comfortable with making the recommendation to restructure scoring? (Task Force Working Group)
- Is your group comfortable with making the recommendation to award partial points to projects that aren't a Nature-based Solution? (Task Force Working Group)
- Your group's preferred track
- Specific thoughts on the "Additional BRP Recommendations"
- Any remaining questions or concerns

METRICS

Document Share-Out:

- We've reorganized the BRP metrics by **criteria** to support clearer alignment and application
- This updated structure will be passed on to the County + County Contractor Teams (Paradigm) to be interpreted into Metrics for the Watershed Planning

Next Steps – BRP Task Force:

- The BRP will reconvene as a **Task Force Working Group** to:
 - Finalize and refine the metrics
 - Explore how these tools align with SCWP implementation
 - Develop guidance on applying Metrics to Scoring
 - Engage with Paradigm and County teams to consult on how Metrics are integrated into the SCWP Scoring process

Discussion:

- Any initial thoughts or questions about the reorganized metrics?
- What else should be prioritized in the Task Force's next phase?

STANDARDS PACKAGE

Final Standards Package – Review & Discussion

Please Review the Full Standards Package (5 minutes)

- NBS Definition
- Water-Specific NbS Definition
- Standard Language
- Criteria + Guidance
- Indicators + Guidance

Discussion & Q&A (15 minutes):

- Missing pieces in the Standard Package
- Any final questions or comments?

RECOMMENDATIONS REPORT OUTLINE

Report Details:

20-25 Pages

June 30th, 2025

2- Pager:

- Spectrum (Gray-Green-NM-NbS)
- Preamble + Definition + Standard (Criteria, Indicators)

Report Outline:

- I. Executive Summary
- II. Background
- III. Introduction
- IV. Methods
- V. Spectrum (Gray-Green-NM-NbS)
- VI. Preamble + Definition + Standard (Criteria, Indicators)
- VII. Metrics
- VIII. Recommendations
- IX. Next Steps
 - A. Role of the Task Force Moving Forward
 - B. Theoretical Questions we left unanswered
- X. Appendices
 - A. Framework Comparison
 1. Highlighting differences/resources we drew on:
 - a) IUCN Standard to note changes made
 - b) IUCN Global Standard
 - c) Good-Better-Best Model
 - d) MMS Guidance + Interim Guidance
 - B. Appendix A: Detailed Methods Document
 - C. Appendix B: Completion of Chapter Tasks
 - D. Appendix C: BRP Visioning Statement
 - E. Appendix D: Sample Project Examples
 - F. Appendix E: Glossary

Wrap up and Next Steps

Next Steps

- CWH begins drafting Final Report
- Virtual Workshop 4: BRP Report Update
- Task Force Meeting 6: Report Update and Feedback
- Final Report Deadline: June 30, 2025
- Task Force Meeting 7: BRP Reintegration with Task Force