

California Regional Water Quality Control Board, Los Angeles Region

**Tissue, Sediment and Benthic Infauna Data
Westlake Lake**

Summary of Proposed Action

Proposed New Delistings

- Delist chlordane in tissue because the listing was based on a tissue concentration that now is below the Maximum Tissue Residue Level (MTRL) for this compound.
- Delist copper in tissue because the listing was based on Elevated Data Levels (EDLs) which no longer represent valid assessment guidelines.

These actions all affect the aquatic life beneficial uses.

Table 1. 303(d) Listing/TMDL Information

Waterbody Name	Westlake Lake	Pollutants/Stressors	Delete: chlordane (Tissue); Cu (Tissue);
Hydrologic Unit	404.25	Source(s)	Unknown
Total Waterbody Size	186	TMDL Priority	Chlordane: 61 Copper: 68
Size Affected	186	TMDL Start Date (Mo/Yr)	
Extent of Impairment	Entire lake	TMDL End Date (Mo/Yr)	

Watershed Characteristics

The Santa Monica Bay Watershed Management Area (WMA), which encompasses an area of 414 square miles, is quite diverse. Its borders reach from the crest of the Santa Monica Mountains on the north and from the Ventura-Los Angeles County line to downtown Los Angeles. From there it extends south and west across the Los Angeles plain to include the area east of Ballona Creek and north of the Baldwin Hills. South of Ballona Creek the natural drainage area is a narrow strip of wetlands between Playa del Rey and Palos Verdes. The WMA includes several watersheds the two largest being Malibu Creek to the north and Ballona Creek to the south. While the Malibu Creek area contains mostly undeveloped mountain areas, large acreage residential properties and many natural stream reaches; Ballona Creek is predominantly channelized, and highly developed with both residential and commercial properties.

Water Quality Objectives Not Attained

EDLs have been determined to be an insufficient basis for impairment determination.

Beneficial Uses Affected

Aquatic Life

Data Assessment

No new data

Potential Sources

Unknown

References

N/A