

Salton Sea Management Program Update

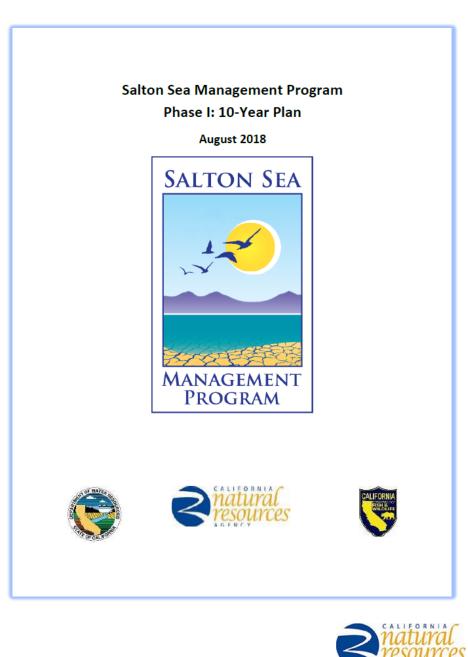
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Salton Sea Management Program Updates

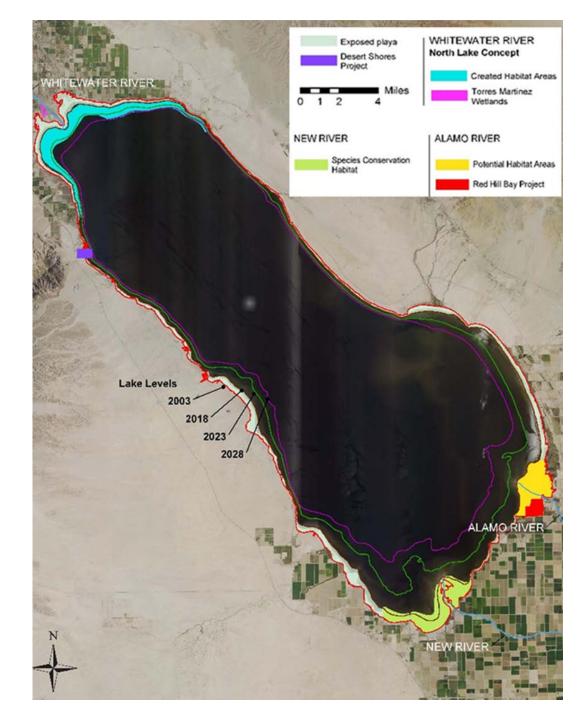
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SSMP Phase I 10-Year Plan 2018 - 2028

- State is committed to making progress on the ground
- Urgent need to address public health and ecological challenges
- Near-term priorities
 - 15,000 acres of habitat projects
 - New River
 Whitewater River
 Alamo River
 - 15,000 acres of dust suppression projects





SSMP Habitat Projects Species Conservation Habitat

- First major SSMP habitat project
- 3,770-acre site of exposed lakebed
- Southwestern end of the Sea, east & west of the New River
- Request for Proposals expected to be issued in coming weeks
- Estimated to be complete by end of 2023

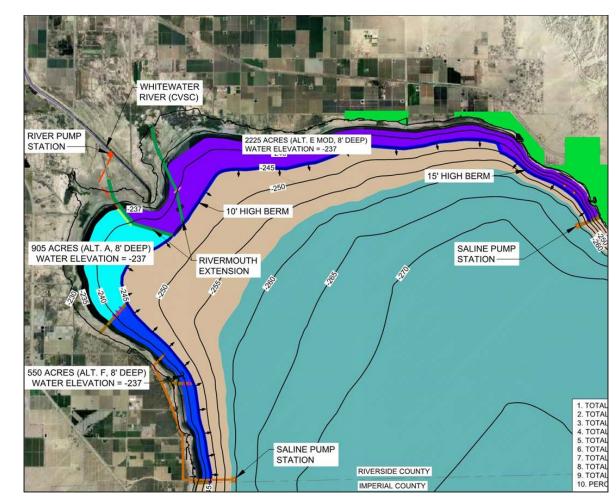


SSMP Habitat Projects Future Projects

North Lake Project - Concept

- Approximately 3,680-acre horseshoeshaped lake
- North end of the Salton Sea adjacent to the Whitewater stormwater channel

Alamo River - Future site





SSMP Dust Suppression - Bruchard Road Project



- Trenching on 150 200 acres of exposed playa
- Located on the southern of the Sea
- Estimated to be complete in next few months



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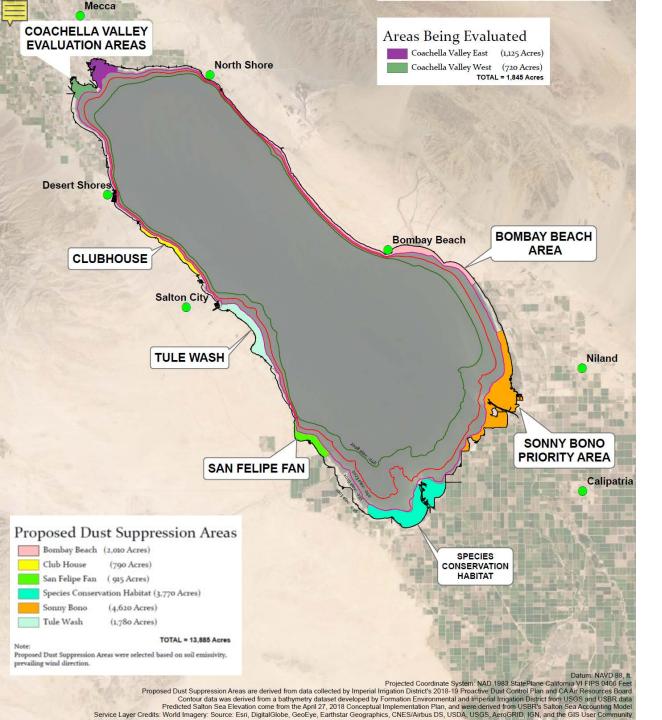
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Dust Suppression Project - 122.33 acres Tilling Emissive Playa Near Bruchard Rd Salton Sea Management Program California Department of Water Resources California Natural Resources Agency







SSMP Dust Suppression Future Projects & Engagement

- Evaluating sites for 9,000 acres of dust suppression
- Preliminary locations determined by soil emissivity, prevailing wind patterns and threat to populated areas
- Pubic meeting later this fall to gather input on priorities
- Developing a programmatic approach to environmental planning and permitting



Transparency / Community Engagement



- Work with local leaders and community members to improve transparency and engagement
- Incorporate community input and priorities where possible
- Launch new Salton Sea website and e-newsletter
- Increase local presence
- Identify opportunities for local employment



Partnerships



- Work with local, state, tribal and federal partners to pursue funding
- Develop templates for land access, water availability and recreation opportunities
- Engage with partners to address scientific data gaps and identify priorities



SSMP Planning



- Implement an additional 26,000 acres
- Programmatic approach to environmental planning and permitting
- Establishing framework to address critical path items including water availability and land access
- Complete independent analysis of water import concepts

