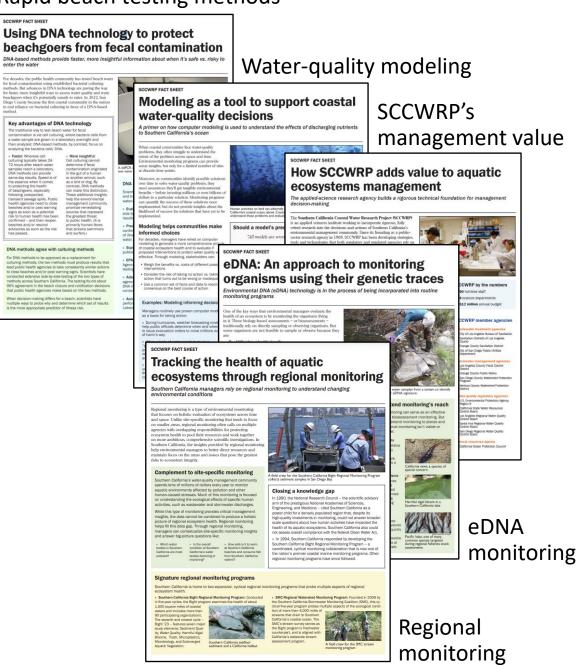
# SCCWRP's fact sheet series

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# Background

- We're producing a fact sheet every quarter for you
  - You're using the fact sheets to supplement conversations you're having with your board, staff, partners, etc.
  - We've published 5 so far
- The next fact sheet on HABs is ready for your review today

### Rapid beach testing methods



### HABs fact sheet

- CTAG helped us refine the HABs fact sheet last month
  - CTAG has decided the revised version is ready for your review
- We've already received some requested edits from you
  - Are you ready to approve the fact sheet today with minor edits?

### Harmful algal blooms

### DRAFT SCCWRP FACT SHEET **Protecting ecosystems and humans**

from harmful algal blooms (HABs)

Environmental managers are developing strategies, monitoring programs and modeling tools to gain the upper hand on managing toxic HABs

armful algal blooms (HABs) are overgrowths of algae and cyanobacteria that degrade water quality and harm cosystems. Although algae and cyanobacteria are part of unlight and deplete oxygen levels, triggering events like nass fish deaths. A major consequence of HABs is the and kill animals contaminate food webs and cause llness in humans who drink or swim in contaminated vaters are being adversely affected by HABs. Researcher re working to help environmental managers understan



### How toxic HABs manifest in Southern California

water bodies for months after the blooms have disappeared. The most common



HAB monitoring programs in

### HABs studies via Bight regional monitoring

## Future fact sheet topics

- Last June, you used rankedchoice voting to prioritize the next 6 fact sheets
  - PFAS is next quarter's topic

# CTAG's priorities for future fact sheet topics

- Regional monitoring
- 2. Harmful algal blooms 

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- 3. PFAS
- 4. Microplastics
- 5. HF183
- 6. Ocean acidification and hypoxia

### Next steps

We'll produce the PFAS fact sheet next quarter

- We will publish the HABs fact sheet to you as soon as you've signed off
  - We will email you the final version + post to our website
- Keep up in the loop about how you're using the fact sheets
  - We are producing these documents for your benefit