## 3. Source Water Protection 1996 reauthorization of the federal Safe Drinking Water Act (SDWA)



# Source Water Protection under the Clean Water Act

- "Point" sources or "non-point" sources
- National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES)
- Water quality standards
- Total Maximum Daily Loads (TMDLs)



# Source Water Protection and Watershed-Based Water Quality Management



# What Does Surface Water Contamination Look Like?



## **Source Water Protection Program in Hawaii**



Surface Source



#### **Groundwater Source**

# **Benefits of Source Water Protection**

- Cost savings by complying with standards
- Monitoring waivers
- Water as a commodity or raw material -quality matters



# 4. Principles of Reservoir Restoration

#### Phosphorus and reservoir eutrophication

Variable	Oligotrophic	Mesotrophic	Eutrophic
Total phosphorus ( $\mu$ gP L <sup>-1</sup> )	< 10	10-20	> 20
Chlorophyll a ( $\mu$ gChla L <sup>-1</sup> )	< 4	4-10	> 10
Secchi-disk depth (m)	> 4	2-4	< 2
Hypolimnion oxygen (% saturation)	> 80	10-80	< 10



**Overflow rate** 

# Reservoir System Response to Phosphorus Loading



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# **Modeling Analysis**

**CSTR Model of Phosphorus Concentration in a reservoir** 

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Lake Characteristic Value,  $\lambda$ 

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# **Linear Systems Modeling**

#### **Physically-based Model**

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#### **Linear Systems Model**

$$C(t) = \int_{0}^{t} W(\tau)h(t-\tau)d\tau$$

Impulse response function :

$$h(t - \tau) = \frac{1}{V} e^{-\lambda(t - \tau)}$$



# **Potential of Reservoir Restoration**



•Reduction of Waste Loading W(t)

•Enhancement of Assimilative Capacity

$$\mathbf{h}(\mathbf{t}) = \frac{1}{\mathbf{V}} e^{-\lambda t}$$

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# 5. Ecological Engineering of Reservoir Restoration

**Ecological engineering utilizes the Self-Designing Capacity of Ecosystems** 

**Ecological Engineering Approaches:** 

- (1) Imitating natural ecosystems
- (2) Conserving nonrenewable resources



# Wind-Driven Reverse Osmosis System in Hawaii

#### **Ecological Engineering of Aquaculture Wastewater Treatment and Reuse**



# **Ecological Engineering and Conventional Engineering**



(a) Conventional Engineering

(b) Ecological Engineering

# Reservoir Restoration by Ecological Engineering and by Conventional Engineering





# Conventional Engineering of Reservoir Restoration

Mechanical Algae removal in Wiahiwa Reservoir, Oahu, Hawaii



# Reservoir Restoration by Ecological Engineering

#### **Artificial Wetlands**



# **Reservoir Restoration by Ecological Engineering**

### **Constructed Wetlands**



# **Reservoir Restoration by Ecological Engineering**

## Runoff control by grassed swale and filter strip



# 6. Concluding Remarks

- 1. The environmental quality of a reservoir can be improved by reducing waste loading and by enhancing waste assimilative capacity.
- 2. A comprehensive reservoir plan should include elements of watershed conservation, conventional engineering, and ecological engineering.