



**CITY OF DEL MAR**  
**LAGOON COMMITTEE AGENDA**  
**Del Mar Town Hall**  
**1050 Camino del Mar, Del Mar CA 92014**  
**January 14, 2026, 5:00 p.m.**

*Civility Works: The Del Mar Code of Civil Discourse: Together we will promote inclusion; listen to understand; show respect; be clear and fair; and focus on the issue.*

**Public Comment:** Members of the public wishing to address the Lagoon Committee on agenda items may do so when the item they wish to speak on is announced by the Committee Chair. Members of the public wishing to speak on non-agenda items may do so during public oral communications. The Committee Chair will recognize each speaker and invite them to make their comment. Public speakers will have three minutes for their comments. Written comments the day of the meeting will be distributed to the committee prior to the meeting and must be submitted to [cityclerk@delmar.ca.us](mailto:cityclerk@delmar.ca.us) by no later than 12:00 p.m. the day of the meeting.

**Council Liaisons:** Deputy Mayor John Spelich; Councilmember Terry Gaasterland

**City Staff:** Special Projects and Programs Manager Kaitlyn Elliott-Norgrove

**Members:** Chair Udo Wahn; Vice Chair Frederique Duranton; Secretary Jeffrey Barnouw; Nitza Leichtling; Julie Kawasaki; Donna Shaw

**1) CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL**

**2) PUBLIC ORAL COMMUNICATIONS (Non-action items):** State law precludes the Committee from acting on any topic which is not an action item on the posted agenda. Information received under public oral communications may be placed on a future agenda or referred to staff for appropriate follow-up.

**3) CITY ANNOUNCEMENTS**

City Council liaisons and staff to provide updates on topics relevant to the Committee.

**4) PRESENTATIONS**

Committee to receive a presentation about projects impacting the Los Peñasquitos Lagoon from Mike Hastings, Executive Director of the Los Peñasquitos Lagoon Foundation.

**5) APPROVAL OF MINUTES FOR NOVEMBER 20, 2025, REGULAR MEETING (Attachment A)**

Committee to consider and take action to approve the minutes.

**6) COMMITTEE DISCUSSION ITEMS**

**A. Receive Water Quality Testing Update from Mikhail Ogawa Engineering (Attachment B)**

Committee to discuss the October 28, 2025, water monitoring results for Jimmy Durante Bridge and Grand Avenue Bridge.

**B. Discuss and Approve Date for Administrative Meeting**

Committee to discuss and approve a date and time for its administrative meeting to discuss the Fiscal Year (FY) 2026-2027 Work Plan.

**7) SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS**

- A. Fishing
- B. Blue Carbon/Restoration
- C. Water Quality
- D. San Dieguito River Park JPA Citizen's Advisory Committee

**8) FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

Discuss planned and potential future committee agenda items including:

- A. Camino Del Mar Bridge Update
- B. Living Levee Project Update
- C. Water Quality Testing Update from Mikhail Ogawa Engineering

**Next Scheduled Lagoon Committee Meeting(s):**

May 20, 2026, 5:00 p.m.

July 15, 2026, 5:00 p.m.

October 21, 2026, 5:00 p.m.

**9) ADJOURNMENT**

**10) CERTIFICATION**

I, Robert Silva, Administrative Assistant for the City of Del Mar, hereby certify that a copy of this agenda was posted at City Hall on January 8, 2026 at approximately 5:00 p.m.

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Robert Silva, Administrative Assistant

**ATTACHMENTS**

Attachment A – November 20, 2025, Regular Meeting Minutes

Attachment B – Report from Mikhail Ogawa Engineering



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LAGOON COMMITTEE MINUTES  
November 20, 2025  
Del Mar Town Hall  
1050 Camino del Mar  
Del Mar, CA 92014**

**1) CALL TO ORDER**

Chair Udo Wahn called the meeting to order at 5:05 p.m.

**2) ROLL CALL**

Members Present: Chair Udo Wahn; Vice Chair Frederique Durantou; Members Nitza Leichtling; Julie Kawasaki. Members Absent: Secretary Jeffrey Barnouw; Donna Shaw.

Council/Staff Liaisons Present: Deputy Mayor John Spelich; Councilmember Terry Gaasterland; Special Projects and Programs Manager Kaitlyn Elliott-Norgrove

**3) PUBLIC ORAL COMMUNICATIONS (Non-action item)**

None.

**4) CITY ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Committee staff liaison Kaitlyn Elliott-Norgrove provided a quick update on the Camino Del Mar Bridge Replacement Project and shared that City Hall would be closed on Thursday, November 27, and Friday, November 28, in observance of the Thanksgiving holiday.

**5) APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM AUGUST 20, 2025, MEETING**

A motion to approve the minutes for August 20, 2025, was made by Member Leichtling, and was seconded by Member Durantou. The motion passed unanimously by all members present.

**6) COMMITTEE DISCUSSION ITEMS**

**6.A) Presentation from Assemblymember Boerner's Office**

Sarah Shulkin, a representative from Assemblymember Boerner's office, presented on AB 399, which would have required potential development projects that would impact coastal wetland, sub-tidal, intertidal, or marine habitats or ecosystem to build or contribute to a blue carbon demonstration project as mitigation for those impacts. Questions raised during this item included why the bill was vetoed and whether the Assemblymember will bring forward a similar bill in the next legislative session. Councilmember Gaasterland recommended that the Committee review the lagoon chapter of the City's climate adaptation plan.

**6.B) Selection of Committee Officers for 2026**

The Committee discussed appointing Udo Wahn as Chair, Frederique Durantou as Vice Chair, and Jeffrey Barnouw as Secretary. A motion to approve these roles was made by Member Kawasaki and seconded by Member Durantou. The motion passed unanimously by all members present.

### **6.C) Fishing Signage**

The Committee discussed the need for signs to indicate where fishing is allowed and prohibited at the Lagoon. Staff shared that the City has been in conversation with a nonprofit organization that is, statewide, working with jurisdictions to create and place new signage. Member Duranton inquired about the feasibility of a “lagoon cam” that would support enforcement.

A motion to elevate signage about fishing, and where it is allowed and not allowed, to the City Council as part of its goal setting process was made by Chair Wahn and seconded by Vice Chair Duranton. The motion passed unanimously by all members present.

### **6.D) Committee Outreach Opportunities**

The Committee discussed moving forward with a “Did You Know” section of the Del Mar Weekly focused on the San Dieguito Lagoon and to work with Chair Wahn and Staff Liaison Elliott-Norgrove to generate content.

### **6.E) Review of Meeting Actions and Deliverables**

Committee members agreed to send “Did You Know” ideas to Staff Liaison Elliott-Norgrove and the Committee Chair. Staff agreed to arrange presentations about the Camino Del Mar Bridge Replacement Project, sand replenishment, the living levee projects, as well as from the MPA Collective. Staff will share the lagoon chapter of the City’s Adaptation Plan. Staff will research lagoon cameras.

## **7) SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS**

### **7A) Blue Carbon/Restoration**

Chair Wahn reported that he attended the Blue Carbon Collaborative meeting, which was hosted by Coastal Quest and WildCoast.

### **7B) SDRVJPA CAC**

Chair Wahn shared updates about the polo fields property. The Committee, with contributions from Council Liaisons, discussed how the City can support the preservation of the open space.

A motion to encourage the City Council to consider ways to support the preservation of open space and the environment at the polo fields located in the City of San Diego, including permanent parklands, was made by Chair Wahn and seconded by Member Duranton. The motion passed unanimously by all members present.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

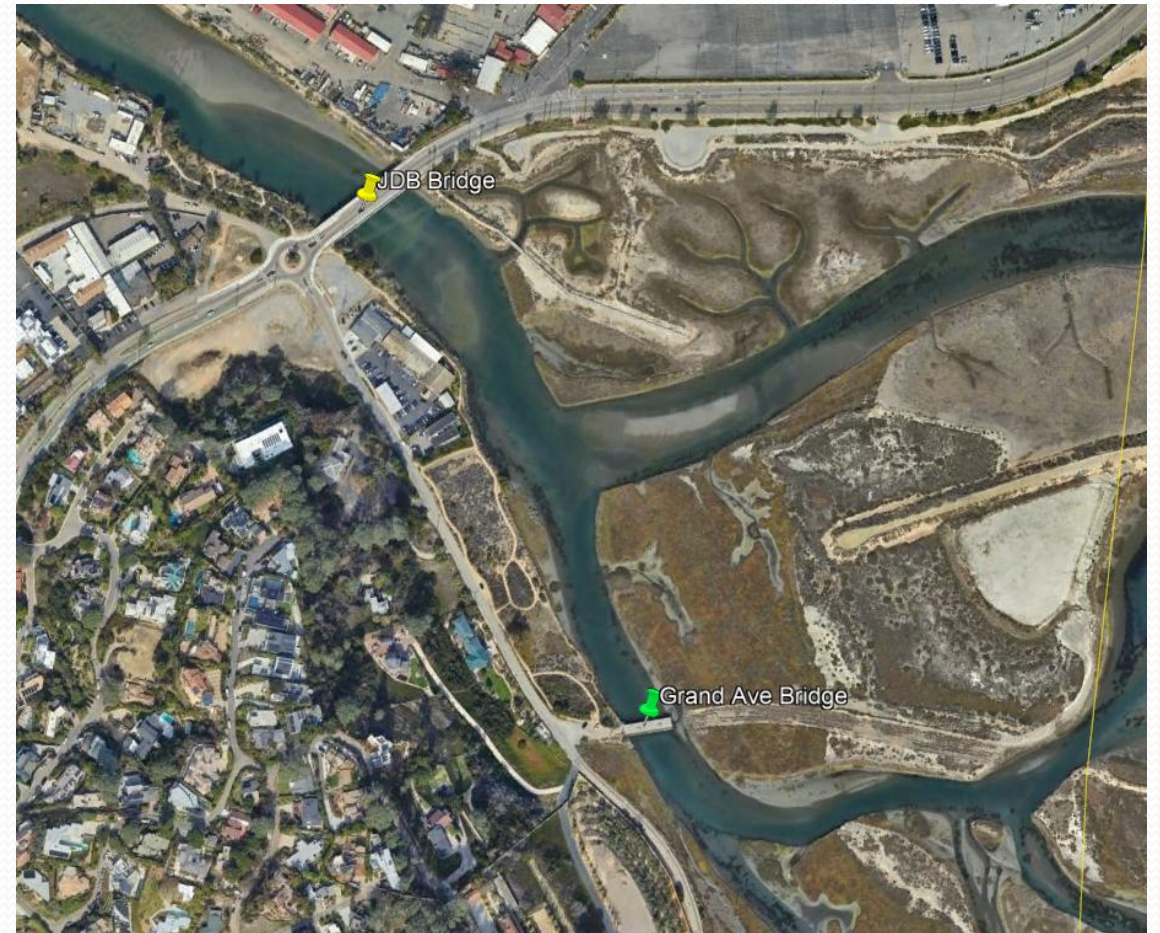
Chair Wahn adjourned the meeting at 6:01 p.m.

# Clean Water Program: SDG Lagoon Monitoring

Lagoon Committee  
November 20<sup>th</sup>, 2025

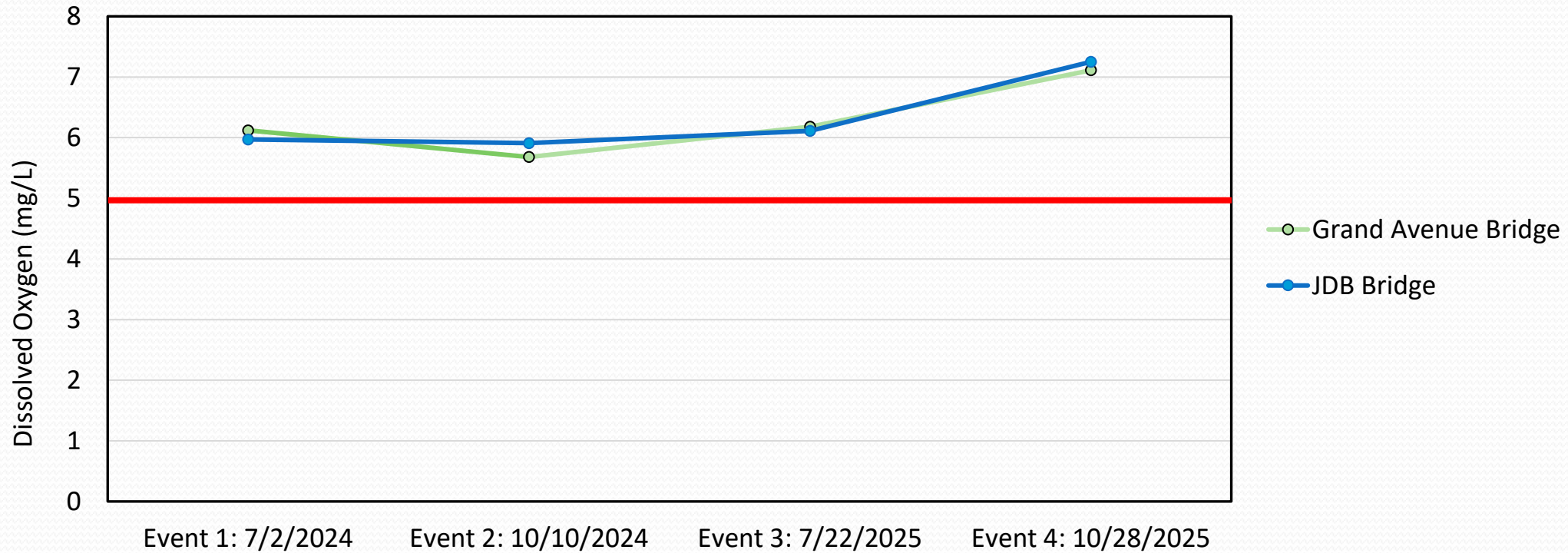
# San Dieguito Lagoon Monitoring

- The purpose of the lagoon monitoring is to track the health of the lagoon
- 2 Monitoring Locations
- Conventional Parameters
  - pH, Turbidity, Dissolved Oxygen, Temperature, Conductivity



# Dissolved Oxygen Concentrations

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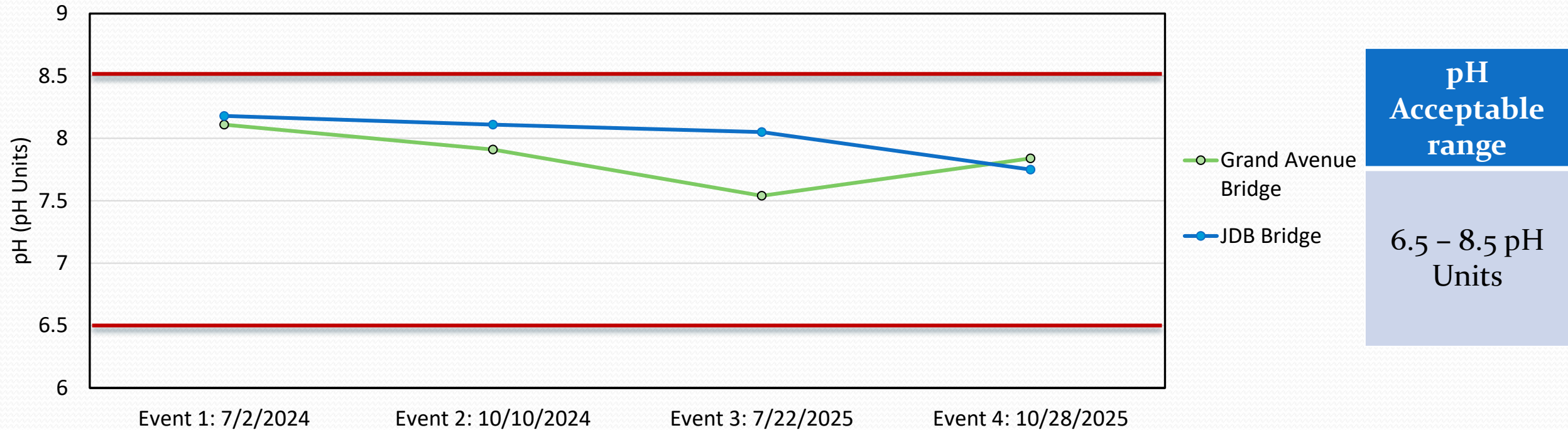


**Dissolved  
Oxygen**

No less than 5  
mg/l

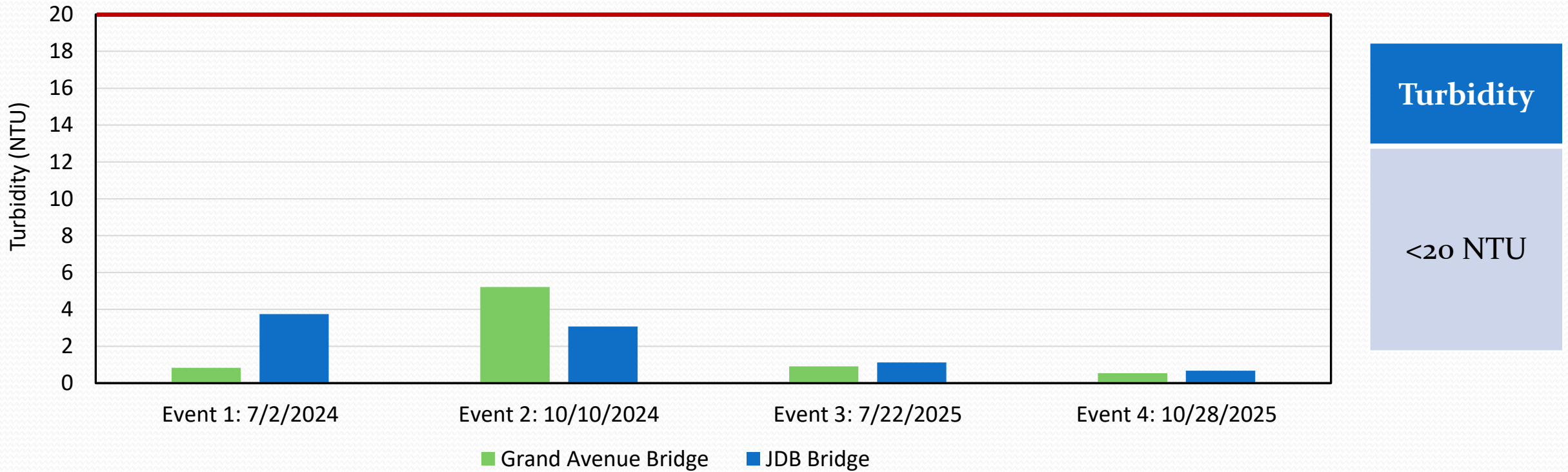
# pH

pH Measurement at Grand Avenue Bridge and Jimmy Durante Bridge in 2024 and 2025



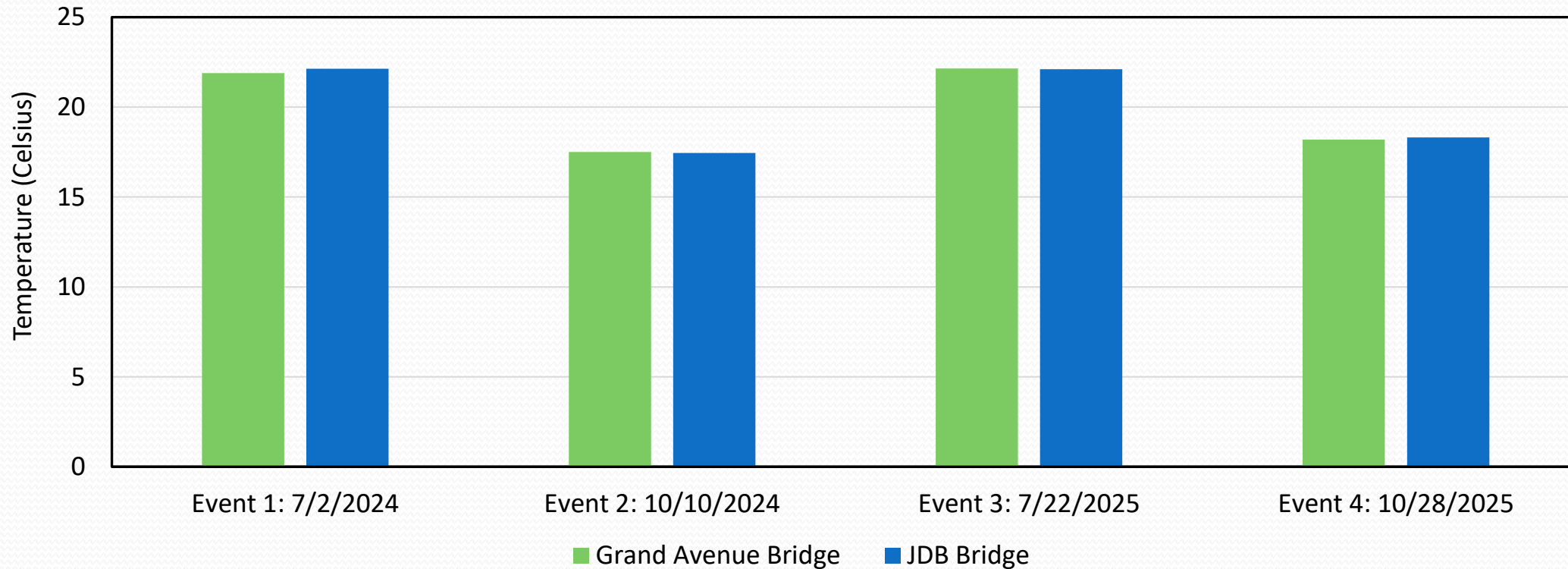
# Turbidity

Turbidity Measurements at Grand Avenue Bridge and Jimmy Durante Bridge in 2024 and 2025



# Temperature

Temperature Measurement at Grand Avenue Bridge and Jimmy Durante Bridge in 2024 and 2025

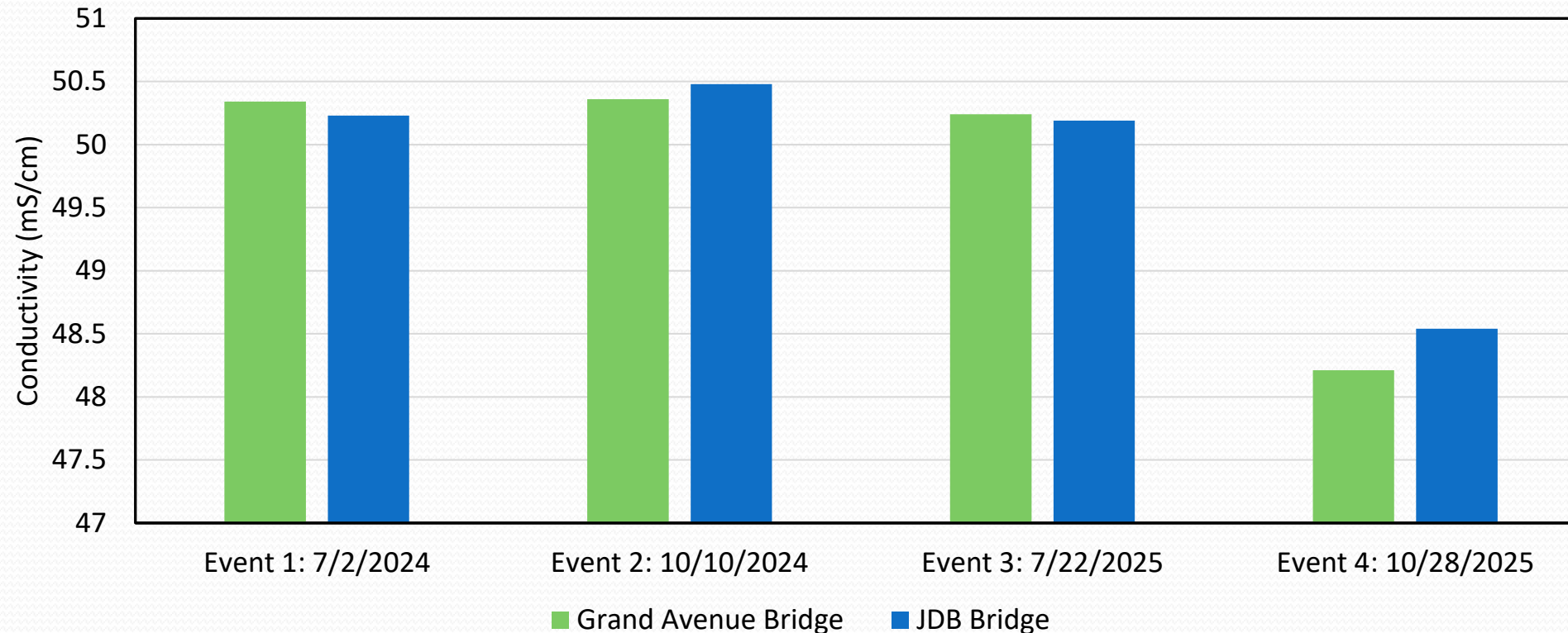


Temperature

Receiving Water  
Temperature  
ranges from 13-  
25° Celsius

# Conductivity

Conductivity Measurements at Grand Avenue Bridge and Jimmy Durante Bridge in 2024 and 2025



**Specific Conductivity**

NA

# Monitoring Summary

- Results indicate a healthy lagoon
- No issues observed over 4 monitoring events

