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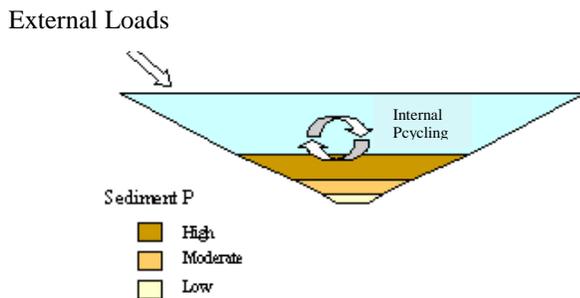
## LAKE OKEECHOBEE SEDIMENT MANAGEMENT FEASIBILITY PROJECT

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### Background:

Lake Okeechobee surface sediments are divided into five principal sediment zones based on physical characteristics.

#### The Legacy of High P Loads



### Project Overview:

The objective of the Lake Okeechobee sediment feasibility study is to analyze various alternatives in order to determine the best method of sediment treatment that will reduce internal phosphorus loading in Lake Okeechobee. The goal of the feasibility study will be achieved using an objective methodology that allows for review and input by experts and stakeholders throughout the study process. The final deliverables from this study will be used in conjunction with a multiple criteria decision process and public input in order to make final recommendations to the Governing Board of the South Florida Water Management District.

### Application of Results:

The final evaluation of alternatives was completed in April 2003 (See Final Project Report). The results of this report will be used in the formulation of recommendations that will be included in the Lake Okeechobee Protection Plan due to the legislature in January 2004.