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Attachments: WQAU Staff Recommendations and Flow Chart for Use of Bioassessment data in the 2008 Listing Cycle.doc; Existing Bio LOEs not Associated with a Bioassessment Decision.xls; Existing Bioassessment Decisions and LOEs.xls; Region 9 Bioassessment Informal Comments and Proposed Decision Language.doc

Hi John/Alan,

Attached are the informal comments regarding Region 9 Bioassessment prepared by WQAU staff. The attachments are all related to bioassessment decision making when a water quality standard such as the Index of Biological Integrity (IBI) is available to determine bioassessment exceedances in monitored waterbodies, as is the case in Region 9.

Included in the attachments are the following:

- 1) WQAU Staff Recommendations and Flow Chart for Use of Bioassessment data in the 2008 Listing Cycle.doc
- 2) Region 9 Bioassessment Informal Comments and Proposed Decision Language.doc
- 3) Existing Bio LOEs not Associated with a Bioassessment Decision.xls
- 4) Existing Bioassessment Decisions and LOEs.xls

Please let me know if you have any questions regarding the attached information. The information contained in the attachments is intended to supplement each other (i.e. one item may not be completely clear without review of the others).

Thanks,

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