

CHAPTER FIVE

Idaho Administrative Record

**IDAHO DIVISION OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY
WATER QUALITY ASSESSMENT AND STANDARDS BUREAU
ADMINISTRATIVE RECORD
1998 303(d) LIST**

I. FEDERAL GUIDANCE DOCUMENTS

- A. Environmental Protection Agency
1. Revision to Rapid Bioassessment Protocols for Use in Streams and Rivers: Periphyton, Benthic Macroinvertebrates, and Fish. EPA 841-D-97-002. July 1997 Draft.
 2. Memo from Geoffrey Grubbs, Director, Assessment and Watershed Protection Division, U.S. EPA re: Guidance for 1994 Section 303(d) Lists, November 26, 1993.
 3. Memo from Geoffrey Grubbs, Director, Assessment and Watershed Protection Division, U.S. EPA re: Approval of 303(d) Lists, Promulgation Schedules/Procedures, Public Participation, October 30, 1992.
 4. Memo from Geoffrey Grubbs, Director, Assessment and Watershed Protection Division, U.S. EPA re: Supplemental Guidance on Section 303(d) Implementation, August 13, 1992. (A copy is included on Guidance for Water Quality-based Decisions: The TMDL Process, U.S. EPA, April 1991.
 5. Guidance Document for Listing Water bodies in the Region 10 303(d) Program. US Environmental Protection, Region 10, November 1995.
 6. Memo from Robert H Wayland III, Director, Office Wetlands, Oceans and Watershed, re: National Clarifying Guidance For 1998 State and Territory Section 303(d) Listing Decisions, No date shown.
 7. Memo from US Environmental Protection Agency, Region 10, re: Development of Administrative Records and Dockets to Support Agency Decisions Under Clean Water Act Sections 303(d) -- The TMDL Program, No date shown.
- B. Clean Water Act - Section 303(d)

II. STATE OF IDAHO LEGISLATION AND REGULATION

- A. Idaho Code Section 39-3601 *et seq.*
- B. Idaho Department of Health and Welfare Rules and Regulations, Title 1, Chapter 2, "Water Quality Standards and Wastewater Treatment Requirements."

III. STATE OF IDAHO GUIDANCE DOCUMENTS

- A. Beneficial Use Reconnaissance Project
 - 1. Workplans
 - a. 1997 Beneficial Use Reconnaissance Project Workplan. Idaho Division of Environmental Quality Technical Advisory Committee. July 1997.
 - b. Beneficial Use Reconnaissance Project, 1998, Wadable Streams Workplan. Idaho Division of Environmental Quality Technical Advisory Committee. May 1998.
 - c. Beneficial Use Reconnaissance Project, 1998, Lake and Reservoir Workplan. Idaho Division of Environmental Quality Technical Advisory Committee. June 1998.
 - d. Beneficial Use Reconnaissance Project, 1998, Rivers Workplan. Idaho Division of Environmental Quality Technical Advisory Committee. July 1998.
 - 2. Field Guidance Documents - see 1996 red 3-ring binder
 - 3. Laboratory QA/QC Reports
 - 4. Field Sheets (memo)
 - 5. Audit Forms of BURP Field Teams
 - 6. QA/QC Guidance Documents
 - a. Procedures and Guidelines for QA/QC of 1995 Beneficial Use Reconnaissance Project Data. Idaho Division of Environmental Quality BURP Technical Advisory Group. September 1995
 - b. QA/QC Manual Beneficial Use Reconnaissance Program Wadable Streams 1998. Richard Lee. July 1998.
- B. Water Body Assessment Guidance
 - a. 1996 Water Body Assessment Guidance - A Stream to Standards Process. Idaho Division of Environmental Quality. August 1996.
 - b. Memo from Michael McIntyre (DEQ) to Regional Supervisors (DEQ) re: Salmonid Spawning Beneficial Use Support Determination, October 26, 1998.
 - c. Code Explanation Sheet for Delist Decision Report
 - d. E-mail to Michael McIntyre (DEQ) from Gail Ewart (DEQ) re: Mileage Calculation for Various Aspects of 1998 Draft 303(d) List, July 7, 1998.
 - e. Memo to DEQ Central Office 303(d) Team from Michael McIntyre (DEQ) re: Boundary Changes to 1998 303(d) List, March 10, 1998.
 - f. Memo to DEQ Water Quality Assessment & Standards Bureau from Michael McIntyre, Bureau Chief, re: Citations to Answer Questions, July 17, 1997.
- C. 303(d) Assumptions
- D. Reference Fish and Macroinvertebrate Voucher

- E. Idaho State University BURP Reports
 - 1. Biological Metric Development for the Assessment of Nonpoint Pollution in the Snake River Ecoregion of Southern Idaho, 1990-1991 Final Report. Christopher T. Robinson and G. Wayne Minshall. March 1992.
 - 2. Refinement of Biological Metrics in the Development of Biological Criteria for Regional Biomonitoring and Assessment of Small Streams in Idaho, 1991-1992 Final Report. Christopher T. Robinson and G. Wayne Minshall. March 1992.
 - 3. Biological Metrics for Regional Biomonitoring and Assessment of Small Streams in Idaho, Final Report. Christopher T. Robinson and G. Wayne Minshall. March 1995
 - 4. Regional Assessment of Wadable Streams in Idaho, USA. Christopher T. Robinson and G. Wayne Minshall. Great Basin Naturalist 58(1):54-65 1998.
- F. Draft 1998 303(d) List
- G. 1998 303(d) List
- H. Water Quality Management Plan, see reference appendix A, Continuing Planning Process
- I. 1992 305(b) Report

IV. SOLICITATION OF INFORMATION

- A. Letter to Steve Huffaker, Idaho Fish and Game, from Larry Koenig, Assistant Administrator, regarding help in determining if sites are in full or not full support category.
- B. E-mail to Bob Steed from Craig Shepard (Boise Regional Office) on meeting with BLM.
- C. Letters regarding electrofishing data of streams and BURP data.
- D. Letter to Lynne K. Stone, Boulder-White Clouds Council, from Chris Mebane, regarding the proposed 1998 list of water quality-limited Water bodies for Idaho. Attachment #1 includes criteria exceedances, Attachment #2 includes references cited in 1996 Appendix F, Attachment #3 includes table of summary data submitted to evaluate, Attachment #4 includes a list of names the letter was mailed to.

- E. All other letters, data or documents exchanged between DEQ and other federal and state agencies and members of the public that were used in preparing the 303(d) list.

V. PUBLIC COMMENTS/REQUESTS AND RESPONSE

- A. Public Comments: summarized comments by category
- B. Public Notices: Memo of the public notifications of 1997 request for comment on the 1996 303(d) list, newspaper clippings.
- C. Public Information Request log and 303(d) request log
- D. Letter to Scott Brown, Idaho Conservation League regarding request for electronic information.
- E. Memo on meeting with Committee for Idaho's High Desert,
- F. Map of Southwestern public review and comment
- G. Public comments (1-117) white 3 ring binder
- H. Letter to Liz Sedler, Panhandle Basin Advisory Group from Darren Brandt, DEQ Twin Falls Regional Office regarding public records request on stream temperature data collection during 1995, 1996 and 1997.

VI. OTHER

- A. 1994 EPA's Decision Document identifying the list of water quality limited Water bodies for the State of Idaho.
- B. Response To "General Comments" Concerning EPA's 1994 303(d) List For The State of Idaho, Appendix "A". US Environmental Protection Agency, Region 10, October 7, 1994.
- C. Responsiveness Document Matrix For The 1994 303(d) List For The State of Idaho, Appendix "B". US Environmental Protection Agency, Region 10, October 7, 1994.
- D. The 1994 303(d) List For the State Of Idaho, Appendix "C". US Environmental Protection Agency, Region 10, October 7, 1994.

- E. The Water Monitor. US Environmental Protection Agency, Region 10, April-May-June 1998.
- F. DEQ 1998 303(d) presentation to EPA/Seattle, Thursday, May 28, 1998
- G. Guidance Document- The Use of Existing and Readily Available Biological and Habitat Data for Listing Waters on the Delaware 1998 303(d) List, US Environmental Protection Agency, Region III for State of Delaware, December 22, 1997.
- H. All other documents used by DEQ in preparing the 303(d) list, including but not limited to, documents and data received from the Idaho Department of Lands and the Idaho Department of Fish and Game, BLM and the National Forests and reports prepared by private entities. Some of these documents are located in the DEQ regional offices and are available upon request.

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