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Hello,

I only recently became aware that the comment period is closing for the draft 2008 water quality assessment. I would like to request an extension of the public comment period to the middle of April 2008.

I coordinate the Wenatchee (WRIA 45) Water Quality Technical Subcommittee and we are finalizing the WRIA 45 Watershed Detailed Implementation Plan which includes water quality. The water quality actions of the Watershed Plan are also the TMDL actions of the TMDL plans (we have completed Temperature, Fecal Coliform and DDT, with DO/pH to be finished this year). The Water Quality Technical Subcommittee of the WRIA Watershed Planning Unit next meets on April 8th. I would like to bring this to their attention and develop a comment with their input and blessing. My initial thought is that given the amount of work done on water quality improvement planning, and now implementation, we have the structure in place to address additional areas not considered during the development of the TMDL for the 2004 listings. We would simply apply the established actions for the new listing areas for the appropriate water quality parameter. Rather than developing a new TMDL for the new listings (as the 2008 list is much larger than the 2004 list) we would recommend expanding the existing TMDL to the new areas/listings. However, I have not been able to adequately review the 2008 listing to know if there are additional water quality parameters that were not on the 2004 list. Additional time would allow a more comprehensive review and response to the 2008 listing.

Please contact me if you have questions, concerns or are unable to extend the comment period deadline.

Respectfully,
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