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To: David Moore, WA DOE
From: President, Riverside State Park Advisory Board
Re: Input to Spokane R. TMDL on dissolved O2

The Riverside State Park Advisory Board welcomes the changes recently mandated by the EPA to the TMDL for dissolved Oxygen in the Spokane River. We think that the biologic health of the river should take precedence, as there will always be conflicts between the river and it's users and a host of economic interests. Trying to reach a balance between these entities in the past has always resulted in the river being the loser. This emphasis on river health can only be accomplished by regulations which involve a temporal deadline linked with penalties. Such enforcement was notably lacking in the 2007 TMDL.

We hope that now, after over a century of being used as a universal waste receptacle, the Spokane River and all those who value it will be the winners.

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