

September 13, 2005

Harry T. Stewart, P.E., Director
New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services
Water Division
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Re: 2004 Section 303(d) List

Dear Mr. Stewart:

This correspondence is regarding the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA) decision to partially disapprove New Hampshire's 2004 303(d) list. Specifically, in June of 2005 EPA disapproved the State's decision not to list five water bodies which met the requirements for listing under Section 303(d) of the Clean Water Act (Table 1). EPA opened a public comment period concerning this decision by posting notice in the Federal Register from July 8, 2005 through August 8, 2005. No comments were received.

At this time, EPA is requesting that New Hampshire add the five waters listed below in Table 1 to the 2004 303(d) list.

Table 1. Waters added to New Hampshire's 2004 303(d) List.

Water Body^a	Assessment Unit^b	Pollutant^c	Basis for Listing^d	Priority Ranking^e
North Tributary to Canobie Lake	AU number has not yet been assigned by NHDES	chloride	Exceeding water quality standards	2010
Dinsmore Brook	NHRIV700061204-01	chloride	Exceeding water quality standards	2010
Unnamed Tributary to Policy Brook	NHRIV700061102-18	chloride	Exceeding water quality standards	2010
Beaver Brook	NHRIV700061203-16	chloride	Exceeding water quality standards	2010
Little Cohas Brook	NHRIV700060804-05	chloride	Exceeding water quality standards	2010

^aWaterbody being added to the State's 303d list.

^bWaterbody segment identification number; designated by New Hampshire.

^cSpecific pollutant(s) for which the waterbodies were found to exceed water quality standards.

^dRationale for individual listing decision.

^eProposed date of TMDL completion.

If you have any questions please contact Steve Silva at 617-918-1561 or Al Basile at 617-918-1599. Thank you for your assistance.

Sincerely,

Linda M. Murphy, Director
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Enclosure

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