Dear DEQ,

Thank-you for the opportunity to comment on Antidegradation Implementation Methodology (AIM).

First please extend the comment period in order that the public may see the final version of Regulation 2.

I do not see how a serious anti-degradation policy can be implemented without clear numeric standards. Please see that numeric standards are adopted.

To really make AIM something meaningful and substantial all existing permitted facilities need to undergo an anti-degradation review process.

and nonpoint sources of pollution need to be accounted for when making point source permitting decisions.

Additionally, establish protected baseline water quality through testing and data analysis for all streams.

Special and protection of the highest order should be given to state and national park waterways, wildlife refuges, and wilderness areas.

To aid this all upstream tributaries could be included in the designation of Outstanding Water Resources.

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