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Hi Heather,

I'm acting today for Dan and am forwarding you the letter I signed today regarding EPA's final CWA action on the Deschutes River, Percival Creek, and Budd Inlet Tributaries TMDL. We greatly appreciate working with you and your staff to complete this action and look forward to collaborating with Ecology in the coming months.

Also, I'm forwarding you our final draft desk statement on this action. We are not planning any proactive press outreach but wanted to have something prepared in case we receive inquiries. Our press contact, Mark MacIntyre, shared this with Dustin Terpening and Dave Bennett and was able to discuss it with Dave earlier this afternoon.

Thank you again and have a nice weekend.

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"Desk Statement"
Deschutes TMDL Partial Approval/Disapproval

Today, EPA has partially approved the Washington Department of Ecology's Deschutes Total Maximum Daily Load(TMDL). This effort to address pollution issues in the Deschutes River is an important step towards meeting water quality goals in this watershed. While Ecology's effort to address water quality issues in the Deschutes River watershed has been sustained and comprehensive, there are parts of the TMDL EPA has disapproved and is going to amend.

Moving forward, EPA will coordinate closely with Ecology to ensure downstream impacts to Capitol Lake and Budd Inlet are more fully considered; additional information about pollutant loads is included; and that there is a stronger basis for achieving water quality standards for portions of the watershed.

We commit to working with Ecology to protect Washington's water quality and complete the TMDL.