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Hi All,

I am forwarding you this information from NCASI regarding compounded conservatism in the human health-based water quality criteria calculations. I am sending this now because all indications are that there will be a big push to reevaluate some of the default inputs to the criteria equations. We already have that topic, and compounded conservatism, tentatively lined up as topics for one of our later Policy Forum meetings (late spring or in summer 2013), but I think it will probably be referred to by stakeholders fairly early on – and there might be a need to address it as a major topic earlier than tentatively scheduled. I will depend on your expertise in addressing many of the tox issues in the publication. This discussion will ultimately help us get at the factors that address the state's decision on the level of protection that the criteria should afford to fully protect the designated CWA uses.

Lon – I saw that this NCASI publication was included in the pulp and paper comments sent to Idaho so you have probably already seen it. Also – We haven't firmed up exactly how you will be involved in Washington rule-making, but I trust that at some point we will be needing your expertise from the EPA side to help with this. Matt and you and I should talk more about this very soon – I know you are jammed with Idaho work.

We have our first Policy Forum meeting on October 29. That meeting will not address these issues.

Take care,

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Dear Ms. Gildersleeve:

Attached for your review and consideration, please find a transmittal letter from NWPPA and corresponding attachment from NCASI entitled "*A Review of Methods for Deriving Human Health Based Water Quality Criteria With Consideration of Protectiveness*."

Please let me know if you have any questions.

Thank you,

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