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Hi Tanner,

It's been just over a year since we met regarding this certification. During this time, Sandpoint's draft permit has been finalized and is now out for public comment. It can be viewed here: https://yosemite.epa.gov/r10/WATER.NSF/NPDES+Permits/DraftPermitsID

I have been waiting to see what Sandpoint's permit was going to look like so we could make the two compatible for the regionalization option. As you will note in the attached ROUGH draft certification, the compliance schedule has been changed since the last draft you saw, so regionalization would go smoothly if you choose this path. I also allowed for other options that you wanted to explore per our discussions during the March 10, 2015 meeting. Please look over the compliance schedule section and see if it looks okay. I can probably use parts of your May 26, 2015 letter to Brian Nickel as a compliance schedule justification but it would be good if you could provide a letter that specifically addresses the compliance schedule and includes more specifics on the time necessary to master plan, select, fund and build your selected upgrades to meet your limits. You had much of this information we need well thought out during our meeting, we just need it in written form.

Additionally, we need a justification from you for the 100% mixing zone for nitrate + nitrite. I didn't find anyone using Boyer Slough water for drinking water using a water rights search. I also learned that even the irrigation use of Boyer Slough is limited because of intake lines getting repeatedly plugged. Information such as this is important to allowing such a large mixing zone.

Thanks for your help on this. Let me know what your timeframe is for providing these justifications to us if it is beyond May 20. The certification is still undergoing some internal review so it may not be in its final form yet.

If you have any questions please don't hesitate to call.

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