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Subject: Re: Lahaina UIC permit
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Thanks for the info, Wendy. The permit that we have drafted will not allow an increase in nitrogen loads, although Maui Co. did request that (actually, they requested an increase in the "total nitrogen action level" from 10 mg/L to 15 mg/L, which we are not granting). The language in the permit, that relates to nitrogen levels in the injectate, will be the same as what was in their previous permit. Whether the County decides to appeal, especially in light of their other request to rescind the permit completely, remains to be seen.

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Dear DAvid, John and Nancy.

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USGS will be in the field in Lahaina next week sampling coastal water and looking for flourescence (fabric brighteners or high BOD) as an indicator of wastewater plume. I've contacted them to see if we might get a quick overview of any findings from tthe field work in time for the meetings with DOH (I know that lab work will not be completed). If available, we should discuss any USGS findings (did they find a likely ww plume or not?) with DOH, even if it doesn't change our permit action.

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At the DOH EOY in Dec. 07, an action item was flagged about the prospect of including a provision in the renewed UIC permit for Lahaina WRF regarding potential impacts from the discharge on near coastal surface waters. I had hoped to respond to this issue, at least internally, with the release of a draft of the UIC permit. Due to various circumstances, that has not occurred and I am now responding to the action item in preparation for the week of May 12. Below is the response I am providing. If anyone wishes to have a discussion about this matter, please let me know. We should have a draft of the permit ready in the coming weeks, although perhaps not in time to share it with DOH when they are here.

David

5. EPA will investigate whether the pending reissuance of the Lahaina federal UIC permit should include provisions requiring the investigation of possible impacts from the discharge on surface waters. Deliberative [redacted]