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MEMORANDUM

TO: Board of Environmental Protection
FROM: Tom Danielson, Bureau of Land & Water Quality, Augusta
DATE: October 1, 2009
RE: Chapter 583. Nutrient Criteria for Fresh Surface Waters

The Department received many comments on Chapter 583 in both the oral testimony and written comments. A number of people that submitted comments requested that the Department hold additional stakeholder meetings to allow more dialogue about the proposed nutrient criteria and subsequent implementation. While the Department staff provided information to stakeholders at over a dozen conferences and meetings attended by hundreds of individuals over the last several years, we recognize the importance of stakeholder involvement in the rulemaking process. The Department will hold additional stakeholder meetings, revise Chapter 583 as necessary, and submit a new version of Chapter 583 at a later date.

Department Recommendation: Terminate the rulemaking for Chapter 583, Nutrient Criteria for Fresh Surface Waters.

Estimated Time of Presentation: Approximately 15 minutes.

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