

November 30, 2005

Mr. Paul Currier, P.E.
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Dear Mr. Currier:

Thank you for requesting that the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) consider approving TMDLs for 10 assessment units which are presently listed on New Hampshire's 2004 303(d) list for aquatic life use support due to low pH from atmospheric deposition. As stated in a letter from NHDES, dated October 19, 2005, these assessment units represent beaches located on lakes or ponds which already have approved TMDLs for acid deposition. The EPA agrees that these assessment units could have been included in the original lake and pond submittals, as the TMDL's established for each lake as a whole would also apply to the beach assessment units.

Therefore, the EPA has determined that approved TMDL's for the lakes and ponds listed in Table 1 are also adequate to address the impacts of acid deposition on each of 10 beach assessment units, also listed in Table 1. Please feel free to contact me or my staff if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

/s/

Linda M. Murphy, Director
Office of Ecosystem Protection

Enclosure

cc: Greg Comstock (NHDES)
Bob Estabrook (NHDES)

Table 1. Lakes and ponds with approved TMDLs to address acid deposition and associated

beaches located on each water body.

Lake	Lake Assessment Unit	Beach	Beach Assessment Unit
Armington Lake ^a	NHLAK801040201-01	Camp Walt Whitman Beach	NHLAK801040201-01-02
Cass Pond ^a	NHLAK802020203-01	Camp Takodah Beach	NHLAK802020203-01-02
Gregg Lake ^a	NHLAK700030108-02-01	Camp Chenoa Beach	NHLAK700030108-02-03
Laurel Lake ^a	NHLAK802020202-02-01	Camp Fleur De Lis Beach	NHLAK802020202-02-03
Monomonac Lake ^a	NHLAK802020103-06	Camp Monomonac Beach	NHLAK802020103-06-02
Northwood Lake ^a	NHLAK700060502-08-01	Camp Wah-Tut-Ca Beach	NHLAK700060502-08-03
Pecker Pond ^b	NHLAK802020101-01	Camp Toah Nipi Beach	NHLAK802020101-01-02
Stinson Lake ^b	NHLAK700010306-01	Camp Happy T Ranch Beach	NHLAK700010306-01-02
Thorndike Pond ^b	NHLAK700030102-01-01	Camp Wa-Klo Beach	NHLAK700030102-01-03
Thorndike Pond ^b	NHLAK700030102-01-01	Camp Wanocksett Beach	NHLAK700030102-01-04

^aAssociated with the “45 Acid Pond TMDL,” approved Oct 04, 2004

^bAssociated with the “20 Acid Pond TMDL,” approved Oct 19, 2004

***For more detailed information on EPA’s justification for TMDL approval of each lake and beach assessment unit, please see the approval documentation for 45 Acid Ponds (approved Oct 4, 2004) and 20 Acid Ponds (approved Oct 19, 2004).**