

# **FY15 Program Planning**

**Recommendations Under  
Consideration at Feb TEC Meeting**

# List of Possible Recommendations

- Biological Subcommittee Recs
  - Implement new probabilistic design in 2015 survey to minimize “clumping”.
  - Target 4 pools for biological surveys.
  - Utilizing new macroinvertebrate index in 2016 305b assessments.
  - Indicate impairment if either fish or macro indices indicate impairment.
  - Exclude 2015 biological data in 2016 305b assessments due to timing.

- 106 Supplemental Monitoring Program (\$65K)
  - Utilize remote sensing data to evaluate river-wide temperature conditions and inputs, and algae/chlorophyll-a if funding allows.
- Spills/Emergency Response
  - Update spills model.
  - Look at upgrading/expanding ODS to handle additional pollutants; add new stations.
- Mixing Zone Prohibition
  - Unidentified activities to address mixing zone prohibition such as considering appropriateness of the prohibition, mercury criterion, etc...

- Stream Criteria Subcommittee (on nutrients)
  - Conduct more intensive assessments of macroinvertebrate/nutrients data.
  - Work with EPA HQ to assessment data for nutrients criteria development.
  - Participate in Reg 3 Nutrients RTAG.
  - Provide recommendation to TEC in Oct. regarding use of SEP funds for nutrients criteria development.
- NPDES Subcommittee
  - Recommend NPDES work with Standards Committee on streamlined mercury variance procedure.

- 305b
  - Hold workgroup meeting (\$1,200).
  - Continue collection of methylmercury in fish tissue (2 samples for TL3 and TL4 in each of 4 biological pools annually).
  - Consider new monitoring for PCBs & dioxin to update 305b assessments.

