

## Patty Gates

1. I am deeply disappointed in the direction that the Dept. of Ecology is taking regarding the amendment of the water quality standards for surface waters in our state. A three week comment period is NOT long enough to understand this variance process and its risks to my river. I believe that 45 days must be added to the comment period.
2. Give us, the public, a chance to comment in person at a publicly held hearing.
3. Please make the variance applications from pollution dischargers like Inland Empire Paper Company and the other big 4 dischargers available so that I can read and understand them.