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Weakening water quality standards is a huge concern for the Spokane River and everyone who loves her. Allowing only three weeks for public comment is insufficient. We need to be able to read and try to understand the risks you are suggesting. At least 45 days should be added to the comment period and a public hearing should be held where concerned citizens are allowed to speak. Companies seeking variance applications should be required to admit what type and amount of discharge they plan to release into my river.

I cannot believe that with all the knowledge we currently have about the dangers of such toxins in our rivers we are stepping backwards instead of forwards with protections.