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As a wastewater treatment plant operator of over ten years, I can honestly say the time for a general permit is long past. The current target of 15 years to completion is unacceptable. Many plants are in disrepair and need rebuilding today. This comprises the perfect opportunity to rebuild the necessary facilities to reduce nitrogen discharges.

The lack of funding cannot be a suitable excuse. We must do more to show we value the waters of Washington, no more talk, no more studies, the time for a change is now.