Marie Tabata-Callerame

Please add this to my previous comment.

4. I suggest/request that all TMDL Prioritization decisions work with the Freshwater Algae Control program (Lizbeth Seebacher), if they do not already, since poisonous water is one of the worst symptoms of an impaired watershed, and should get top priority. Water that is poisonous for people has already started devastating the lake/river ecosystem, putting difficult-to-replace holes in the food chain that are very expensive to fix.

5. I suggest that regular/periodic HAB infestations should be a default indicator that phosphorus is a main contributor for watershed impairment and should therefore be automatically included in any TMDLs for those waters.

6. One step further, please consider that the presence of HAB should be considered as an automatic signal for the need for a TDML for phosphorus. Maybe using an specific standard could narrow down the need for a TMDL, like "above 4x the recreational use state guideline for HAB toxin." Humans can't always control the heat, but we can control the phosphorus.

Thanks again for all you guys are doing for cleaner water!