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Electronic Public Comments Submittal

RE: Comments on the proposed aquatic life toxics criteria and proposed rule documents

The Washington State Department of Transportation (WSDOT) recognizes the importance of these criteria in the ongoing work to comprehensively assess the quality of surface waters and prioritize clean-up efforts.

WSDOT provides this letter to show support for the Department of Ecology's work that prevent toxics from polluting waters through various pathways. Source control work, such as:

- Safer Products for Washington
- Spill Response Team
- Petition to the Environmental Protection Agency on polychlorinated biphenyls
- Chemical Action Plans
- 6PPD Action Plan

Source control work such as these, along with programs that focus on treatment technologies will be crucial for achieving water quality goals.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide comments. If you have questions or wish to discuss these comments, please contact WSDOT's Statewide TMDL Lead, Elsa Pond, elsa.pond@wsdot.wa.gov.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Tony Bush".

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