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I am strongly opposed to this permit! The company who is applying for this permit has said that as long as the fish stay in the mixture zone (or however it was termed) (the zone in which the waste water is diluted) there won't be any danger to the fish... BUT... these fish will surely run up those streams in which this waste water is being dumped to spawn. At that time they are at a much higher a risk of carrying these toxins into the food system or interrupting their spawning success. There is NO good that can come from actions such as dumping toxic waste into a water source, save that of profit for said company. It is an inevitability that this waste will build up and cause problems in the future. That alone, the fact that of course over time these toxins will accumulate within the river system, is reason enough to deny this permit and any permit like it. We've got to stand up for clean rivers, clean air, and healthy food sources. Literally nothing is as important and anything that threatens that in short or long terms, needs to be opposed. If dumping waste into river systems is an option then companies will not seek to find alternatives - necessity spawns innovation and we must draw hard lines in the sand, so to speak, when it comes to natural resources as basic as water sources.