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I find no scientific basis for the denial of Aethon's requested expansion of their discharge permit to Badwater Creek because I don't believe that the DEQ has gathered and analyzed the data necessary to render the decision that has been issued.

What percentage of the current discharge water that is generated from Frenchy Draw production reaches Boysen Reservoir? How much additional produced water flow would be required to result in measurable produced water flowing into Boysen? What quantity of water would that be? What are the scientifically documented impacts on aquatic life in Boysen and the downstream Wind River should such produced water reach either of these water bodies? I find scientific verification testing to support the water quality modeling on which the decision to deny appears to have been made.