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It is hard to believe that MN's wild rice standard of 10 ppm is once again under discussion. MPCA has failed to enforce this standard since the 1970s when it was first promulgated. MPCA's effort to develop "site specific" standards was rejected in contested case proceedings in 2018 - and here we are in 2023 w/ the MPCA again considering this same idea. MPCA must enforce Minnesota's wild rice sulfate standard of 10 ppm under the Clean Water Act and decisions of the Minnesota courts. It must do this to protect the developing brains of infants and children, and to protect the health of those who rely on subsistence fishing. It must do this to reassure MN citizens that state and federal regulations to protect our environment will be enforced and will not be continually "reviewed" at the behest of industry.