

## Karen Johnson

Besides all the known scientific testing completed. the MPCA should use those proven facts and its powers to protect and control all natural wild rice growing areas to keep them as clean and natural as possible. They should not allow the currently healthy wild rice areas that have far less than 10ppm of sulfate in the plants increase their sulfate content to meet the 10ppm standard. That would not at all be doing the job of protecting our state's natural environment; all water, land and air. Adding sulfate to wild rice land and water will also increase toxic mercury in the fish population. That's more trouble. The MPCA already knows all these scientific facts that support this. The MPCA should do the job they are supposed to do and PROTECT to their utmost ability all of Minnesota's air, water, land, and citizens.

Thank you, Karen Johnson