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WHAT are you thinking about! The wild rice stands must be protected! End of Story. My nephew lives in the area and for that reason am personally concerned but even considering allowing sulfates to seep into the waters is reprehensible! MPCA must enforce Minnesota's wild rice sulfate standard of 10 parts per million (ppm) under the Clean Water Act and decisions of the Minnesota courts. MPCA has no discretion to continue to delay or deny enforcement. The 10 ppm sulfate standard is the "effects threshold" for wild rice impairment.

Degradation prohibited. Both the Clean Water Act and Minnesota law prohibit degradation by the by. Furthermore: No "site-specific standard" for discharge of sulfate to wild rice should be approved by MPCA without tribal consultation and tribal consent and a formal and public rulemaking process.