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The MPCA's draft 2024 Impaired Waters List has a lot of positives in terms of cleaning waters, identifying additional waters to improve upon, however there are still gaps within the proposal. There needs to be stronger oversight and enforcement in protecting our state watersheds especially those with excessive sulfate levels that impair a vital resource for our indigenous communities...that of wild rice. The MPCA needs to protect these areas with strong oversight and enforcement. Mercury also needs to be monitored and brought in line with safe levels for the entire state. We need to protect one of our most valuable resources in the great state of Minnesota...and this is water in every size and shape...from lakes to rivers and watersheds to aquifers. Thank you for considering my comment.

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