

Summary of the April 19, 2001 Nutrient Work Group Meeting

The Nutrient Work Group (NWG) met at the NYC EPA office on April 19, 2001. The work group briefly discussed how NYS plans to apply the EPA Marine DO criteria. NYS's draft fact sheet proposes a recovery period in the standard an issue not addressed in the EPA's criteria.

Most of the meeting's discussions dealt with how New York and New Jersey are going to deal with the 303(d) methodologies and lists. NY is a little further along in that they have a draft methodology undergoing internal review. NY maintains a priority waterbody list and a waterbody inventory that it uses to generate the 303(d). New Jersey does not have an equivalent document and is currently looking at water quality databases it will use to develop the 303(d) list. The two states, however, appear to be applying the same criteria in the comparison of data and water quality standards and should come to the same conclusions in the analysis of shared waters.

The work group did not see the need to schedule a meeting until the work plan and funds were approved and/or the enhancements to the SWEM in the New Jersey waters were complete.

Attendees:

Philip O'Brien	NYSDEC
Mick DeGraeve	GLEC/NJHDG
Veronica Hurst	PVSC
Nancy Immesberger	NJDEP
Morton Orentlicher	CAC
Zoe Kelman	USEPA
Steven Lubow	NJDEP
John Kashner	NJDEP
Joel Simpkins	NJDEP
Kevin Clarke	NYCDEP
Antony Tseng	USEPA
Peter L. Sattler	IEC
Bob Nyman	USEPA