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This letter is in support of the proposed regulatory changes to the TDS Levels.

Yours in Conservation, Pine Creek Headwaters Protection Group



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To Whom It May Concern:

The Pine Creek Headwater's Protection Group (PCHPG) would like to express their support for the proposed regulation changes for Chapter 95 Wastewater Treatment Requirements. The member's of PCHPG feel that it is vital that the DEP not weaken their proposed discharge standards for TDS. The proposed standards would help to ensure that our drinking water will not have unsafe levels of Total Dissolved Solids (TDS). These requirements need to be in place as soon as possible to protect our rivers and drinking water. There are rivers and streams within Pennsylvania that are already close to capacity for being able to absorb additional TDS discharges without having negative effects. Pennsylvania residents deserve to be able to utilize the vast resource of fresh water available for both recreation and drinking water. Total dissolved solids represent a real threat to both human and aquatic life and our drinking water; it seems that the DEP has the ability to prevent this major impact to our streams and rivers with these proposed changes to the Wastewater Treatment Requirements.

Thank you for your considerations,

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