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Introduction

EPA's Office of Wetlands, Oceans and Watersheds (OWOW) was created in April 1991. OWOW combines EPA's responsibilities for addressing nonpoint source pollution, restoring and protecting wetlands, lakes, rivers, coastal and marine environments, and coordinating surface water monitoring and water quality assessment activities.



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Instructions

Organization

The publications in this list are divided into seven topic areas. Each topic, except Bulletins, has two sections: General and Technical. *General publications* can be easily understood by the lay reader. *Technical publications* are scientific or regulatory in nature and require an understanding of the program area.

- ☐ Wetlands: wetlands uses, protection and regulation of wetlands
- Oceans/Coastal: ocean discharges, ocean surveys, marine and estuarine protection programs
- ☐ Watershed Protection: lake and reservoir protection and restoration, basin-wide protection approaches
- ☐ *Nonpoint Source*: prevention and treatment of agricultural and urban runoff
- ☐ Data Management: information systems documentation and data quality assurance/quality control (QA/QC) guidance
- ☐ Water Quality Assessment & Monitoring: citizen volunteer, ocean discharge, bioaccumulation, and water quality monitoring guidance
- Bulletins: cut across all topic areas, disseminate information to a targeted group of readers on a variety of production schedules

NOTE: Topic areas are broadly defined. Publications are not cross referenced. Since there may be some overlap, review the entire list.

Entry Format

Title

Publication Number Publication Date

Example:

Progress in the National Estuary Program, Report to Congress EPA503/9-90/005 2/90 Description (Number of Pages)

Provides an overview of National Estuary Program activities and accomplishments through 1989. Summarizes research undertaken through the program. (44 pgs.)

NOTE: Some entries may not have a publication number or publication date.



Ordering Information

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***** All publications are free ****

Wetlands

Agriculture and Wetlands: A Compilation of Fact Sheets EPA 503/9-92/003 6/92

General

Emphasizes the relationship between farming and wetlands protection, but provides important information in a concise manner to the non-farming public as well. Topics covered are listed below.

Finding Common Ground —

The Roles and Responsibilities of Federal Agencies in Protecting and Managing Wetlands —

Opening Communications and Finding Answers —

Section 404 and Swampbuster —

The Federal Manual for Identifying and Delineating Jurisdictional Wetlands —

Section 404(f) Exemptions and Nationwide General Permits

Studies and Research to Improve Our Knowledge —

America's Wetlands: Our Vital Link Between Land and Water OPA-87-016 2/88

Describes what wetlands are, the different types of American wetlands, and EPA's role in wetlands protection. Explains the values and ecological functions of wetlands, as well as protection methods. Summarizes the status and trends of wetland losses in the United States. (8 pgs.)

American Wetlands

Explains what wetlands are and identifies the values and functions of wetlands. Prepared for the annual American Wetlands Month celebration held in May of each year, and lists groups that co-sponsored that event. Lists activities that individuals can undertake to celebrate American Wetlands. (2 pgs.)

"Audubon's America" — A Cooperative Conservation Project 1991 Describes a proposal between EPA and the National Audubon Society to develop a cooperative public and private system of connected natural areas within a thirty-four state region. The goal of the project is to protect, conserve, restore, enhance, recognize, and commemorate the significant natural and cultural values of land and water areas where the renown naturalist John James Audubon lived, traveled, wrote, painted, and observed. (19 pgs.)

Beyond the Estuary: The Importance of Upstream Wetlands in Estuary Processes EPA20W-5003 6/90 Identifies the types of wetlands that are located above estuaries, and briefly outlines the functions those areas perform. Describes the relationships between these upstream wetland functions and estuarine processes. Also describes activities threatening the upstream wetlands and mechanisms for their protection. (8 pgs.)

Catalog of State Wetlands Protection Grants: Fiscal Year 1991 Lists descriptions of State Wetlands Protection Grants awarded in Fiscal Year 1991. The grants are available for a variety of purposes, including development of state wetlands conservation plans, wetlands water quality standards, and monitoring the status and trends of wetlands losses. Provides state agencies with examples of types of projects funded and grant application guidance. (46 pgs.)

Environmental Backgrounder: Wetlands EPA PIC 11/88 Describes issues associated with wetlands and wetlands protection, including definition of wetlands, legal tools available, the Federal approach, EPA and state actions, and the role of the public. (6 pgs.)

EPA Regional Office Wetlands Contacts Directory 2/92 Consists of a map of EPA Regions with a list of Wetlands Division contacts' names, addresses, and phone numbers within each Regional office. (1 pg.)

EPA's Wetlands Protection Program 9/89

Describes EPA's role in the Section 404 program and wetlands protection. Also outlines wetlands functions, values, threats to wetlands, and wetlands losses. (Compilation of fact sheets - 14 pgs.)

Financing State Wetlands Programs 11/90

Reviews traditional funding mechanisms for wetlands protection, such as Federal regulatory and non-regulatory programs. Discusses several alternative funding mechanisms, including taxes, fees, and fines. Discusses factors states may want to consider when selecting financing mechanisms. Prepared by APOGEE Research Inc.(88 pgs.)

A Guide to Agricultural Wetlands Protection — National Governors Association 1991

Briefly describes the Section 404 program and lists the agricultural exemptions. (14 pgs.)

Highlights of Section 404 10/89

Provides a basic understanding of the Clean Water Act Section 404 program. Describes the geographic scope of Section 404 and the activities regulated under this section. (9 pgs.)

Steps in State and Local Greenway Planning 2/88

Explains a river corridor planning process and the greenway conservation strategy. Reprint of article prepared for an EPA Conference on Multiobjective Greenways and the Coordination of Wetlands and Floodplain Programs in February 1988 (19 pgs.)

Summary of Section 319(h) Wetlands and Riparian Projects: Fiscal Years 1990 and 1991 EPA843-S-92-001 3/92

Briefly describes the wetlands or riparian component in state nonpoint source projects funded under Section 319(h) in FY 1990 and 1991. Organized into five sections: restoration and protection projects, program administration, education and technical training, constructed wetlands, and other projects of interest. Identifies an EPA Regional or state contact for each project. (52 pgs.)

Wetland and 401 Certification (Opportunities and Guidelines for States and Eligible Indian Tribes) 4/89

Wetlands Hotline Fact Sheet 5/91

Wetlands Protection: A Local Government Handbook 9/91

Environmental Protection Agency: 404(b)(1) Guidelines 12/80

Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) on Enforcement 1/89

Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) on Jurisdiction/Exemptions 1/89

Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) on Mitigation 2/90

Examines the Section 401 state water quality certification process and how it applies to wetlands. States are encouraged to use this handbook when establishing a wetlands protection program or improving wetlands protection tools. (64 pgs.)

Describes the functions of the Wetlands Protection Hotline, and provides the Hotline's hours of operation, telephone number, and address. (1 pg.)

Contains a review of wetlands values and functions, Federal wetlands regulations, and examples of state and local regulations. Provides local officials, planners, and citizens with a background for understanding wetlands issues, and illustrates that actions at the local level can help achieve the goal of no net loss of wetlands. Produced by the American Planning Association. (31 pgs.)

Technical

Contains the substantive environmental criteria used by EPA and the Army Corps of Engineers in evaluating discharges of dredged or fill material under Section 404 of the Clean Water Act. Codified under 40 CFR Part 230. This document is a reprint of the rule published on December 24, 1980 (45 FR 85336) titled "Guidelines for Specification of Disposal Sites for Dredged or Fill Material." (22 pgs.)

Establishes policy and procedures pursuant to which the Department of the Army and EPA will undertake Federal enforcement of the Section 404 dredge and fill material permit requirement. Issued jointly by the Department of the Army and EPA. (9 pgs.)

Establishes the policy and procedures pursuant to which the Department of the Army and EPA will determine the geographic jurisdictional scope of waters of the United States and the application of the exemptions under Section 404(f) of the Clean Water Act. Issued jointly by the Department of the Army and EPA. (6 pgs.)

Explains the policy and procedures to be used in determining the type and level of mitigation necessary to demonstrate compliance with the Clean Water Act Section 404(b)(1) Guidelines. Issued jointly by the Department of the Army and EPA. (6 pgs.)

Proposed Revisions to the Federal Manual for Identifying and Delineating Jurisdictional Wetlands (56 FR 40446) 8/91 Includes questions and answers on proposed revisions to the 1989 Federal Manual for Identifying and Delineating Jurisdictional Wetlands, the White House fact sheet entitled "Protecting America's Wetlands," and a side-by-side comparison of the 1989 Manual and the Proposed Revised Manual. Contains the August 14, 1991, Federal Register notice (56 FR 40446) of the revisions proposed by EPA, Army Corps of Engineers, Department of Agriculture Soil Conservation Service, and Department of Interior Fish and Wildlife Service. (76 pgs.)

Regulations on Permit Exceptions and State Program Assumption (40 CFR 232 & 233) 6/88 Contains 404 program definitions, 404(f) permit exemptions, and the procedures and criteria used in approving, reviewing, and withdrawing approval of state 404 programs. This final rule was issued by EPA on June 6, 1988. (24 pgs.)

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Oceans/Coastal

Coastal America EPA842-K-91-100

Enforcement for Coastal Protection EPA842-K-91-001 10/91

EPA Journal: Can Our Coasts Survive More Growth?; Volume 15 Number 5 EPA842-N-89-100 9-10/89

EPA Journal: Saving the Nation's Great Water Bodies; Volume 16 Number 6 EPA842-N-90-101 11-12/90

Financing Marine and Estuarine Programs: A Guide to Resources EPA503/8-88/001 9/88

General

Identifies primary threats shared by many coastal regions. Explains multi-agency initiative to protect America's coastal resources. Highlights cooperative efforts among Federal agencies with principle responsibility for stewardship of coastal living resources.

Explains coastal resources at risk, sources and impacts of degradation, and federal laws protecting coastal resources. Presents an integrated approach to enforcement with specific examples and success stories.

Explores problems of coastal environments and possible solutions. Includes specific impacts on coastal wetlands, estuaries, and beaches. Describes EPA's programs and policies for coastal zone protection. (56 pgs.)

Identifies water quality problems in 13 major water bodies, and outlines solutions which have been tailored for these water bodies. Includes methods to assess water quality. Presents the Office of Water's vision for the nation's water quality efforts. (64 pgs.)

Presents 11 case studies demonstrating innovative and successful approaches to finance environmental programs. (101 pgs.)

The National Estuary Program After Four Years: A Report to Congress EPA503/9-92/007 7/92

Portraits of Our Coastal Waters— Supplement to the National Water Quality Inventory EPA503/2-91/004 6/91

Progress in the National Estuary Program, Report to Congress EPA503/9-90/005 2/90

Protecting Our Nation's Marine and Coastal Waters: OSV Peter W. Anderson EPA503/9-91/001 11/90

Report to Congress on Implementation of Section 403(c) of the Federal Water Pollution Control Act EPA503/6-90/001 6/90

Report to Congress on Ocean Dumping 1987-1990 EPA503/9-91/009 9/91

Strategic Assessment of Near Coastal Waters: Northeast Case Study EPA503/6-88/000

Economics of Improved Estuarine Water Quality: An NEP Manual for Measuring Benefits EPA503/5-90/001 9/90 Provides an update on the National Estuary Program (NEP) and work being done in 17 sites across the nation. The NEP addresses critical problems of the nation's estuaries and coastal areas, particularly those related to cumulative impacts of growth and development, nonpoint source pollution, and loss of natural habitats. (97 pgs.)

Contains eight descriptive narratives highlighting coastal and estuarine environmental problems for unique geographic areas. Provides an assessment of the diverse and complex environmental problems encountered in these areas. Describes programs and initiatives designed to improve and protect the nation's coastal waters. (31 pgs.)

Provides an overview of National Estuary Program activities and accomplishments through 1989. Summarizes research undertaken through the program. (44 pgs.)

Describes the activities of the Ocean Survey Vessel Peter W. Anderson. (2 pgs.)

Describes EPA activities for implementing Section 403(c) of the Clean Water Act and for achieving compliance with guidelines promulgated under Section 403(c), including an estimate of resources required. Section 403(c) applies to discharges into the waters of the territorial sea, the contiguous zone, and the oceans. (131 pgs.)

Summarizes EPA's activities in regulating and monitoring incineration-at-sea and ocean disposal of sewage sludge, industrial waste, and dredged materials. (58 pgs.)

Contains the results of a joint EPA-National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration case study in 17 estuaries of the northeast United States. Presents resource assessments in the following areas: physical and hydrological characteristics, land use and population, nutrient discharges to estuaries, classified shellfish waters, toxic discharges to estuaries and hazardous waste disposal sites, coastal wetlands, and public outdoor facilities. (175 pgs.)

Technical

Helps managers evaluate the economic benefits of various water pollution abatement options. Presents concepts of economic benefit, describes how pollution abatement can generate benefits, and explains methodologies for measuring benefits. (79 pgs.)



Evaluation of Dredged Material Proposed for Ocean Disposal — Testing Manual EPA503/8-91/001 2/91 Contains technical guidance for determining the suitability of dredged material for ocean disposal through chemical, physical, and biological evaluations. Provides national technical guidance for use in making limiting permissible concentration compliance determinations for proposed discharges of dredged material. Intended for use by dredging applicants, laboratory scientists, and regulators in evaluating dredged material compliance with the United States Ocean Dumping Regulations. Commonly referred to as the "Green Book." Prepared in conjunction with the Army Corps of Engineers.

Initial Mixing Characteristics of Municipal Ocean Discharges: Volume I. Procedures and Applications EPA600/3-85/073a Describes the behavior of wastewater plumes. Contains analytical solutions and descriptions of five mathematical models that provide the initial dilution and rise-height of the plume for a variety of discharge, diffuser, and receiving water characteristics. (90 pgs.)

Initial Mixing Characteristics of Municipal Ocean Discharges: Volume II. Computer Programs EPA600/3-85/073b Describes the behavior of wastewater plumes. Contains a description of the universal data file and complete program listings of five mathematical models that provide flux-average dilution and rise-height of a wastewater plume discharged into waters of greater density. (100 pgs.)

INSEA User's Manual: Environmental Performance Model of Incineration at Sea Operations EPA556/1-87/001 8/87 Describes screening tools to estimate the maximum allowable concentration of waste that can be incinerated at sea without exceeding standards for marine aquatic life. Based on 1986-87 data. (161 pgs.)

Monitoring Guidance for the National Estuary Program Interim Final EPA503/8-91/002 8/91

Identifies the steps involved in developing and implementing estuarine monitoring programs, and provides a technical basis for discussions on the development of monitoring program objectives, the selection of monitoring program components, and the allocation of sampling effort. Discusses the integration of existing monitoring efforts into the estuary monitoring program. Includes two case studies. Intended for members of the management conference, the program coordinators, and the scientific staff of the individual estuary programs.

Proceedings of the Workshop on the Sea-Surface Microlayer in Relation to Ocean Disposal EPA556/1-87/005 8/87 Contains proceedings, results, recommendations, and technical papers from a workshop to assess the impacts of ocean waste disposal on the sea surface microlayer, the upper millimeter or less of the water surface. Relates basic conceptual models to the fate and potential effects of residuals from ocean disposal, identifies research needs and approaches, and describes a scientifically-defensible monitoring program for the sea-surface microlayer.

A Simplified Deposition Calculation (DECAL) for Organic Accumulation Near Marine Outfalls EPA430/9-88/001 9/87 Predicts particle deposition and accumulation of organic material in sediments near municipal ocean outfalls. Formulated on the basis of coastal transport, particle transport, and organic carbon cycles. Includes the effects of coagulation and settling of effluent particles and natural organic material. (84 pgs.)

Watershed Protection

General

Clean Lakes Demonstration Program: 1989 Annual Report to Congress EPA440/4-90/009 8/90

Outlines the accomplishments and progress of the Clean Water Act Section 314(d) demonstration program. (17 pgs.)

Clean Lakes Program: 1988 Annual Report EPA440/5-89/001 2/89

Summarizes the accomplishments and highlights of the Clean Lakes Program during FY 1988. Prepared for EPA by the North American Lake Management Society. (23 pgs.)

Clean Lakes Program: 1989 Annual Report EPA841-S-89-100 1989 Summarizes the accomplishments and highlights of the Clean Lakes Program during FY 1989. Prepared by the North American Lake Management Society. (24 pgs.)

Clean Lakes Program: 1990 Annual Report EPA841-S-90-101 1990 Summarizes the accomplishments and highlights of the Clean Lakes Program during FY 1990. Prepared by the Terrene Institute. (31 pgs.)

Clean Lakes Program: 1991 Annual Report EPA841-S-91-102 1991

Summarizes the accomplishments and highlights of the Clean Lakes Program during FY 1991. Prepared by the Terrene Institute. (32 pgs.)

Lake Conservation Handbook EPA841-B-88-100 11/88

Describes how to develop a comprehensive information and education program for communities as part of an overall effort to restore, manage, and protect lakes. Prepared for EPA by the North American Lake Management Society. (20 pgs.)

Organizing Lake Users: A Practical Guide EPA841-B-91-101 6/91

Assists in organizing a local lake organization. Prepared by the Terrene Institute in cooperation with EPA and TVA. (78 pgs.)

The Watershed Protection Approach: An Overview EPA503/9-92/002 12/91 Describes the Watershed Protection Approach, a basin-wide approach to water protection that encompasses dynamic ecological relationships. Presents watershed protection programs at various government levels. (8 pgs.)

Technical

Guidance for Water Quality-Based Decisions: The TMDL Process EPA440/4-91/001 4/91 Provides program policy guidance and procedures for carrying out the water quality planning process under Section 303(d) of the Clean Water Act. Describes EPA and state policies for identification of waters needing water quality-based controls, priority-setting and targeting, and development of pollution control plans, referred to in the Clean Water Act as Total Maximum Daily Loads (TMDLs). (58 pgs.)

Lake Restoration: Proceedings of a National Conference EPA440/5-79/001 1979

The Lake and Reservoir Restoration Guidance Manual (Second Edition) EPA440/4-90/006 8/90

Modeling Phosphorous Loading and Lake Response Under Uncertainty: A Manual and Compilation of Export Coefficients EPA440/5-80/011 1980

Monitoring Lake and Reservoir Restoration: Technical Supplement to the Lake and Restoration Guidance Manual EPA440/4-90/007 8/90

National Conference on Enhancing States' Lake Management Programs 1988 EPA841-S-88-103 5/88

National Conference on Enhancing the States' Lake and Wetland Management Programs 1989 EPA841-S-90-104 2/90

National Conference on Enhancing the States' Lake Management Programs 1990 EPA841-S-91-105 1/91

Quantitative Techniques for the Assessment of Lake Quality EPA440/5-79/015 1979 Compilations of presentations from a national conference on lake protection, management, and restoration issues. (254 pgs.)

Written for informed citizens who are interested in protecting, restoring, and managing lakes. Focuses on four areas: identifying lake problems, evaluating management practices for addressing problems or for protecting water quality, developing a site-specific management plan, and implementing and evaluating lake management plans. Includes a hypothetical case study, point source techniques, best management practices, and state and provincial lake management programs. (326 pgs.)

Presents an illustrated, step-by-step procedure that may be used to quantify the relationship between land use and lake trophic quality. Aids the analyst in the selection of appropriate export coefficients and in the interpretation of the results of an application of this methodology. Includes a section on estimating nonparametric prediction intervals.

Explains how to design and implement a lake monitoring program during and following a lake restoration project. Describes monitoring methods for both the waterbed and the watershed. Provides recommendations for consistent monitoring methods and quality assurance procedures to assist lake managers and researchers. Includes a fold-out Geological Survey map illustrating the average annual runoff in the United States. (130 GPs.)

Proceedings from the 1988 conference of state lake program managers covering issues relevant to lake protection, restoration, and management. Prepared by the Northeastern Illinois Planning Commission and the North American Lake Management Society in cooperation with EPA. (148 pgs.)

Proceedings from the 1989 conference of state lake program managers covering issues relevant to lake protection, restoration, and management. Prepared by the Northeastern Illinois Planning Commission and the North American Lake Management Society in cooperation with EPA. (166 pgs.)

Proceedings from the 1990 conference of state lake program managers covering issues relevant to lake protection, restoration, and management. Prepared by the Northeastern Illinois Planning Commission and the North American Lake Management Society in cooperation with EPA. (98 pgs.)

Covers data analysis and sampling design, models, and lake classification in reference to phosphorus loadings in lakes. (146 pgs.)

Workshop on the Water Quality-Based Approach for Point Source and Nonpoint Source Controls — Meeting Summary EPA503/9-92/001 10/91

Contains summaries of technical presentations and the findings and recommendations from a workshop on predictive modeling. Topics included watershed scale models, nonpoint sources, ecological restoration modeling, and the role of remote sensing and GIS. (116 pgs.)

Nonpoint Source (NPS)

General

Creating Successful Nonpoint Source Programs: The Innovative Touch EPA841-B-88-102 8/88

EPA Journal: Nonpoint Source Pollution— Runoff of Rain and Snowmelt, Our Biggest Water Quality Problem; Volume 17 Number 5 EPA841-N-91-100 11-12/91

Handle with Care: Your Guide to Preventing Water Pollution EPA841-B-91-103 1991

Managing Nonpoint Source Pollution: Final Report to Congress on Section 319 of the Clean Water Act (1989) EPA841-R-92-101 1/92

Nonpoint Source Education/Demonstration Project Evaluation Report EPA841-B-91-104 2/91

Nonpoint Source Pollution: Land Use and Water Quality EPA841-B-79-105 Presents 16 examples of successful innovative NPS programs and identifies techniques for developing innovative programs. (12 pgs.)

Outlines the NPS water pollution problem, including the effects of agricultural chemicals, agricultural sediment, urban runoff, logging, abandoned mines, and construction. Presents issues and policy from the perspective of EPA, the Department of Agriculture, and the Office of Management and Budget. Describes possible solutions, and offers educational material for use in the classroom. (64 pgs.)

Describes NPS pollution generated by everyday activities. Contains household tips for reducing and preventing water pollution. Identifies state, Regional, and Federal NPS contacts. Prepared by the Terrene Institute. (36 pgs.)

Focuses on the state of the national effort to control NPS pollution as of October 1, 1989. Includes state NPS assessment findings, state programs for addressing problems identified in the assessments, related activities of EPA, other Federal agencies, and others, and achievements to date on controlling NPS pollution. (197 pgs.)

Details 33 NPS abatement projects that were funded by the Ohio EPA from 1981 to 1987 to reduce NPS pollution by changing practices of individual landowners. Projects include efforts to reduce NPS pollution from crop and livestock production, on-site sewage disposal, and abandoned mine land. Prepared by Ohio EPA. (67 pgs.)

Provides an overview of the NPS pollution problem and some possible solutions. Describes the agencies and programs involved in reducing NPS pollution. Contains references to the Wisconsin Nonpoint Source Program. Prepared by the Washington County (Wisconsin) Project with funds from EPA Region 5. (48 pgs.)

Nonpoint Sources Agenda for the Future EPA841-S-89-006 1/89

Defines EPA's commitment to a national NPS program during the five-year period 1989-1994. Outlines actions necessary to solve the problem of NPS in rivers, lakes, and streams. (30 pgs.)

Polluted: Every Little Bit Hurts EPA841-F-90-100 1990 Indicates sources and effects of water pollution. Provides methods to prevent water pollution. (2 pgs.)

Report to Congress: Activities and Programs Implemented Under Section 319 of the Clean Water Act — Fiscal Year 1988 EPA506/9-89/003 8/89 Summarizes the state and Federal NPS pollution control activities undertaken in Fiscal Year 1988. Describes progress in reducing NPS pollution and improving the quality of navigable waters. Includes an assessment of NPS problems and a history of NPS control efforts in the United States. (73 pgs.)

Report to Congress: Nonpoint Source Pollution in the U.S. EPA841-R-84-100 1/84 Examines the nature and magnitude of NPS water quality problems, and outlines the key components of state strategies to prevent and control such pollution. Identifies NPS control approaches that are likely to result in the greatest water quality improvements. Compares point and NPS pollutant loadings nationally. (123 pgs.)

Rural Clean Water Program EPA440/4-90/012 9/90 Aids state and local managers in developing management plans for controlling agricultural NPS pollution. Describes the successes, failures, and lessons learned in the Rural Clean Water Program (RCWP). Presents profiles of RCWP projects, and identifies RCWP contacts. (29 pgs.)

Selecting Priority Nonpoint Source Projects: You Better Shop Around EPA506/2-89/003 8/89 Presents 6 examples of how states identify their priorities for treatment of NPS impaired or threatened water bodies. (39 pgs.)

Seminar Publication: Nonpoint Source Watershed Workshop EPA625/4-91/027 9/91 Contains papers presented at the Nonpoint Source Watershed Workshop held on January 29-31, 1991, in New Orleans. Includes case studies used in guide group discussions, and presents conclusions reached by workshop participants. (209 pgs.)

Technical

Best Management Practices for Agricultural Nonpoint Source Control: IV. Pesticides EPA841-S-84-107 9/84 Describes the factors and available research results relevant to selecting the most appropriate pesticide Best Management Practices (BMPs) and BMP systems. Prepared for the Department of Agriculture and EPA by the Biological and Agricultural Engineering Department at North Carolina State University. (87 pgs.)

Coastal Nonpoint Pollution Control Program: Proposed Program Development and Approval Guidance EPA841-B-91-106 10/91

Contains proposed guidance for states in developing and implementing coastal nonpoint programs. Describes the requirements that must be met, including geographic scope of the program, pollutant sources to be addressed, types of management measures used, establishment of critical areas, technical assistance, public participation, administrative coordination, and the process for program submission and Federal approval. Also contains the criteria by which the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) and EPA will review the states' submissions. Accompanies Proposed Guidance Specifying Management Measures for Sources of Nonpoint Pollution in Coastal Waters (see below). Prepared in conjunction with NOAA. (43 pgs.)

Guide to Nonpoint Source Pollution Control EPA841-B-91-107 7/87 Assists in decisions among techniques for approaching NPS pollution control. Contains a general evaluation of NPS modeling and assessment techniques, an assessment of commonly-used models, and a summary of best management practices (BMPs). (121 pgs.)

Methodology for Analysis of Detention Basins for Control of Urban Runoff Quality EPA841-B-86-108 9/86 Describes a probabilistic methodology to analyze the performance characteristics of techniques that control pollution discharges from urban stormwater runoff. Provides data and analysis procedures to guide planning decisions. (64 pgs.)

Nonpoint Source Impacts on Aquatic Life — Literature Review EPA841-S-88-108 7/88 Provides an overview of 68 research papers and reports exploring the impact of NPS pollution on aquatic life. Discusses regional trends in NPS pollutants. (250 pgs.)

Proposed Guidance Specifying Management Measures for Sources of Nonpoint Pollution in Coastal Waters EPA841-B-91-109 5/91 Assists states in developing coastal nonpoint pollution programs by providing technical guidance on the best, economically-achievable measures available to protect coastal waters from NPS pollution. Discusses five categories of NPS pollution: agriculture, silviculture, urban, marinas, and hydromodification. Contains additional information on other available tools to address many source categories of NPS pollution, including vegetated filter strips, forested buffer strips, and wetlands. (325 pgs.)

Results of the Nationwide Urban Runoff Program EPA841-S-83-109 12/83 Consists of two sections: Executive Summary and Volume 1 Final Report. Summarizes the results of project studies of urban runoff conducted by the National Urban Runoff Program (NURP) from 1978 to 1983. Examines quality characteristics of urban runoff, the extent to which urban runoff contributes to national water quality problems, and the overall effectiveness of management practices to control pollutant loads from urban runoff. (Executive Summary — 24 pgs., Volume 1 Final Report — 190 pgs.)

Rural Clean Water Program 1988 Workshop Proceedings: National Water Quality Evaluation Project EPA506/9-89/001 12/88

Setting Priorities: The Key to Nonpoint Source Control EPA841-B-87-110 7/87

U.S. EPA Nonpoint Source Information Exchange Computer Bulletin Board System (BBS) — User's Manual EPA503/8-92/002 1/92

Urban Targeting and BMP Selection: An Information and Guidance Manual for State Nonpoint Source Program Staff Engineers and Managers EPA841-B-90-111 11/90 Contains technical papers and presentations from the Rural Clean Water Program Workshop held September 12-15, 1988, in St. Paul, Minnesota. Identifies NPS project priorities of workshop participants. Prepared by the National Water Quality Evaluation Project of the Water Quality Group, North Carolina State University. (190 pgs.)

Presents guidelines and suggestions for designing and implementing a targeted NPS pollution control program to achieve improvements in water quality. Prepared for EPA by the Biological and Agricultural Engineering Department at North Carolina State University. (51 pgs.)

Describes how to access and use the major capabilities of the BBS, and presents a guided tour of an on-line session. The BBS will provide state and local agencies, private organizations, businesses, and concerned individuals with timely, relevant NPS information, a forum for open discussion, and the ability to exchange computer text and program files. (64 pgs.)

Assists state and local agency personnel in targeting and prioritizing areas within their jurisdiction which require abatement of urban runoff water quality problems. Consolidates existing information, and describes a noncomputerized technology for targeting areas for control. (54 pgs.)

Data Management

Technical

Guide for Preparation of Quality Assurance Project Plans for the National Estuary Program EPA556/2-88/001

Ocean Data Evaluation System (ODES) Data Submissions Manual EPA503/9-90/006 1988

Ocean Data Evaluation System (ODES): User Guide EPA503/8-90/007 1987 Serves as a quality assurance/quality control checklist for research and data collection under the National Estuary Program. (31 pgs.)

Explains the quality assurance/quality control (QA/QC) cycle that must be completed before a data set can be loaded into ODES, and provides detailed instructions for entering individual data sets onto coding forms, magnetic tape, or floppy diskette for submission to ODES.

Provides directions for accessing information stored in ODES and for using ODES tools to produce analytical reports. ODES includes an integrated database which combines source input information with marine and estuarine environmental information, including water quality data, physical/chemical and oceanographic data, biological data, and sediment pollutant data. ODES also features a wide range of analytical tools for scientific and statistical analyses, and for reporting the results in a convenient format.

Technical Support Document for ODES Statistical Power Analysis EPA430/9-87/005 6/87

Reviews the basic concepts of hypothesis testing and statistical power analysis. Describes the types of power analyses that can be conducted using the Ocean Data Evaluation System (ODES). Provides several examples demonstrating the Statistical Power Analysis Tool contained in ODES and used in the design of new monitoring programs and in the interpretation of analysis of variance (ANOVA) test results. (36 pgs.)

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Citizen Volunteers in Environmental Monitoring: Summary Proceedings of the Second National Workshop, New Orleans, Louisiana EPA503/9-90/009 8/90 Contains presentations, panel discussion summaries, and recommendations from the December 1989 Citizen Monitoring Workshop held in New Orleans. (60 pgs.)

National Directory of Citizen Volunteer Environmental Monitoring Programs, Third Edition EPA503/9-90/004 4/90 Lists volunteer monitoring programs throughout the United States. Includes contact names and a brief description of each program. (43 pgs.)

National Water Quality Inventory — 1988 Report to Congress EPA440/4-90/003 4/90 Summarizes state-reported water quality data under Section 305(b) of the Clean Water Act with supplemental EPA data. Describes the quality of rivers, lakes, estuaries, Great Lakes, coastal waters, wetlands, and ground water. Includes information on special concerns such as fishing restrictions and fish kills. Summarizes point and nonpoint source programs and surface water monitoring programs. (228 pgs.)

National Water Quality Inventory — 1990 Report to Congress EPA503/9-92/006 3/92 Summarizes state-reported water quality data under Section 305(b) of the Clean Water Act with supplemental EPA data. Describes the quality of rivers, lakes, estuaries, Great Lakes, coastal waters, wetlands, and ground water. Includes information on special concerns such as fishing restrictions and fish kills. Summarizes point and nonpoint source programs and surface water monitoring programs. (208 pgs.)

The Quality of Our Nation's Water: 1990 EPA841-K-92-001 6/92 Summarizes the results of the 1990 National Water Quality Inventory in an easy to understand format for the general reader. Introduces key water quality concepts. Discusses pollution of rivers, lakes, estuaries, coastal waters, wetlands, and ground water. Discusses how individual citizens can make a difference in solving the Nation's pollution problems. (27 pgs.)2

The Quality of Our Nation's Water. A Summary of the 1988 National Water Quality Inventory EPA440/4-90/005 5/90

Report to Congress: Water Quality of the Nation's Lakes EPA440/5-89/003 1989

Volunteer Lake Monitoring: A Methods Manual EPA440/4-91/002 12/91

Volunteer Water Monitoring: A Guide for State Managers EPA440/4-90/010 8/90

301(h) Permit Reissuance Guidance Document for Small Dischargers EPA503/9-90/008 1988

Analytical Methods for U.S. EPA Priority Pollutants and 301(h) Pesticides in Estuarine and Marine Sediments EPA503/6-90/004 5/86

Bioaccumulation Monitoring Guidance:
1) Estimating the Potential for
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301(h) Pesticides Discharges into
Marine and Estuarine Waters
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Introduces water quality issues, and summarizes the key findings of the 1988 National Water Quality Inventory for the general reader. Covers pollution of lakes, rivers, estuaries, coastal waters, and ground water. (24 pgs.)

Summarizes state-reported data required by Section 314 of the Clean Water Act and reported in the state Section 305(b) reports. (23 pgs.)

Provides step-by-step methods for monitoring key lake water quality problems using citizen volunteers. Includes information on quality assurance/quality control (QA/QC) of data, data analysis and preservation, and equipment. (121 pgs.)

Describes existing volunteer monitoring programs. Focuses on the types of monitoring performed and the accuracy of results. Provides state environmental managers with recommendations for developing, implementing, and maintaining successful volunteer monitoring programs. (78 pgs.)

Technical

Identifies the regulatory requirements applicable to reissuance of 301(h) modified permits held by small dischargers, i.e., publicly-owned treatment works that have contributing populations under 50,000 and average dry weather flows of less than 5.0 million gallons per day. Discusses assessments and data analyses that are needed for small dischargers to satisfy applicable regulatory requirements and methods by which regulatory personnel may evaluate compliance with regulatory requirements. (88 pgs.)

Describes analytical methods which allow for sensitive analyses of the target compounds with a reasonable amount of laboratory effort. Discusses the analysis of extractable organic compounds, volatile organic compounds, metals, and metaloids.

Provides an overview of important environmental, biological, and chemical processes that affect bioaccumulation of chemical contaminants in marine and estuarine animals. Reviews predictive and empirical approaches used to determine the bioaccumulation potential of toxic chemicals. Describes a method for ranking EPA priority pollutants and 301(h) pesticides in terms of bioaccumulation potential. Provides guidance for selection of pollutants to analyze in 301(h) monitoring programs.



Bioaccumulation Monitoring Guidance: 2) Volume I. Selection of Target Species and Review of Available Bioaccumulation Data EPA430/9-86/005 1985

Bioaccumulation Monitoring Guidance: 2) Volume II. Selection of Target Species and Review of Available Bioaccumulation Data EPA430/9-86/006 1985

Bioaccumulation Monitoring Guidance: 3) Recommended Analytical Detection Limits EPA503/6-90/001 1985

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Bioaccumulation Monitoring Guidance: 5) Strategies for Sample Replication and Compositing EPA430/9-87/003 6/87

Design of 301(h) Monitoring Programs for Municipal Wastewater Discharges to Marine Waters EPA430/9-82/010 11/82

Ecological Impacts of Sewage Discharges on Coral Reef Communities EPA430/9-83/010 9/83

EPA Water Quality Progress Reports/Water Quality Program Highlights EPA841-F-00-101 Provides guidance for selecting target species for bioaccumulation monitoring studies to be conducted as part of the 301(h) sewage discharge program. Presents a compilation, evaluation, and summary of recent data on concentrations of priority pollutants in those species.

Contains appendices which provide details of the compilation, evaluation, and summary of recent data on concentrations of priority pollutants in selected target species monitored for bioaccumulation.

Reviews the factors that influence target pollutant detection units, and recommends minimum detection limits for bioaccumulation studies. Serves as a companion document to the recommended analytical protocols in the Bioaccumulation Monitoring Guidance series, although it is not designed to address specific analytical protocols.

Describes analytical methods which allow for sensitive analyses of the target compounds with a reasonable amount of laboratory effort. Discusses the analysis of extractable organic compounds, volatile organic compounds, metals, and metaloids.

Evaluates the applicability of alternative sampling strategies for bioaccumulation monitoring programs. Presents a statistical approach for determining the levels of difference in bioaccumulation that can be reliably detected with varying levels of sampling effort. Also presents example analyses from historical data to demonstrate the effects of alternative sampling designs. Uses the results of additional analyses employing simulation methods to provide a comparison of grab- and composite-sampling strategies. (51 pgs.)

Provides guidance for designing monitoring programs that meet regulatory requirements in 40 CFR 125.62 and allow continuing assessment of the impact of less-than-secondary discharges on the receiving water marine environment. (135 pgs.)

Synthesizes current information on the ecological impact of sewage discharges on coral reefs. Addresses three major components of sewage pollution: eutrophication associated with high nutrient concentrations in discharged wastewaters, sedimentation of suspended solids, and toxic effects. (86 pgs.)

Documents EPA progress in improving water quality, and highlights monitoring and wasteload allocation activities. (Series of fact sheets)

Evaluation of Differential Loran-C for Positioning in Nearshore Marine and Estuarine Waters (Draft) EPA842-S-88-100 1988

Evaluation of Survey Positioning Methods for Nearshore Marine and Estuarine Waters EPA430/9-86/003 3/87

Framework for 301(h) Monitoring Programs EPA430/9-88/002 9/87

Guidance for Conducting Fish Liver Histopathology Studies During 301(h) Monitoring EPA430/9-87/004 5/87

Guidelines for the Preparation of the 1992 State Water Quality Assessment 305(b) Reports EPA841-B-89-112 2/89

Linking Estuarine Water Quality and Impacts on Living Resources: Shrinking Striped Bass Habitat in Chesapeake Bay and Albemarle Sound EPA503/3-88/001 9/88 Examines the accuracy attainable using differential Loran-C for positioning ships based on data from historical studies and a field investigation off Southern California. Presents a methodology for determining the differential Loran-C error ellipse size at a number of United States coastal locations, allowing the permittee and regulatory agency staff to determine whether differential Loran-C accuracies are adequate at a particular discharge location.

Identifies navigational systems for use in particular situations, based on operating characteristics and cost. Provides descriptions and assessments of available location-finding techniques and equipment and provides assistance for minimizing measurement error.

Provides guidance for publicly-owned treatment works on conducting monitoring programs to ensure compliance with 301(h) modified National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) permits. Describes how to design, implement, evaluate, and modify a 301(h) monitoring program. (44 pgs.)

Provides guidance for designing and conducting quantitative field surveys of fish liver histopathology as part of 301(h) monitoring programs to assess potential impacts of permitted sewage discharges on marine biota. Discusses study design, field sampling, laboratory analysis, and data interpretation and analysis. Directed at non-pathologists, such as monitoring program reviewers, permit writers, permittees, and other organizations involved in nearshore monitoring studies. (166 pgs.)

Assists states in preparing biennial assessments of water quality. Focuses on improving the consistency of reported information, improving data quality and utility, and improving reporting of sediment contamination and fishing/shellfish advisories. These assessments are used by EPA and Congress to evaluate progress in maintaining and restoring water quality and to identify remaining pollution problems. (39 pgs.)

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Quality Assurance/Quality Control (QA/QC) for 301(h) Monitoring Programs: Guidance on Field and Laboratory Methods EPA430/9-86/004 3/87

Provides the framework for making informed decisions with respect to the field and laboratory methods used when monitoring the effects of sewage discharge on marine and estuarine ecosystems. Ensures that samples are collected, processed, stored, shopped, and analyzed using acceptable and standardized procedures, that the quality of generated data is documented adequately, that results are reported completely and correctly, and that security of samples and data is maintained at all times.

Rapid Bioassessment Protocols for Use in Streams and Rivers: Benthic Macroinvertebrates and Fish EPA440/4-89/001 5/89

Serves as a reference to help states conduct cost-effective biological assessments of lotic systems. Presents three macroinvertebrate and two fish protocols. (162 pgs.)

Recommended Biological Indices for 301(h) Monitoring Programs EPA430/9-86/002 3/87 Recommends indices that should be used in the interpretation of 301(h) biological monitoring data. Indices recommended were judged on biological meaning, ease of interpretation, and sensitivity to community changes caused by pollutant impacts. (17 pgs.)

Report on the Implementation of Section 301(h) EPA430/9-84/007 8/84 Summarizes EPA program activities and accomplishments in implementing Section 301(h) of the Clean Water Act from 1978 to mid-1984. Discusses the technical findings resulting from a review of the 1979 301(h) applications from the 25 largest dischargers. Also presents recommendations for future 301(h) efforts. (79 pgs.)

Revised Section 301(h) Technical Support Document EPA430/9-82/011 11/82

Provides technical support for the major changes made in the Section 301(h) regulations since 1979. Offers technical explanations of the assessments required to obtain a 301(h) modified discharge permit and guidance for completion of the application questionnaires for small and large dischargers. All information is advisory only. (241 pgs.)

Summary of U.S. EPA — Approved Methods, Standard Methods, and Other Guidance for 301(h) Monitoring Variables EPA503/4-90/002

Provides a discussion of available methods to collect thirty-two biological, sediment, and water quality variables included in 301(h) monitoring programs to evaluate the impact of modified discharges on marine biota, to demonstrate compliance with applicable water quality standards, and to measure toxic substances in the discharge.

Watershed Monitoring and Reporting for Section 319 National Monitoring Program Projects EPA841-B-91-113 8/91

Outlines state monitoring and reporting requirements for watershed projects funded under Section 319 of the Clean Water Act. Reviews selection criteria for National Monitoring Program Projects. Describes four information files used in reporting: Section 305(b) Waterbody System, Management File, Monitoring Plan File, and Annual Report File. Also includes the data input and reporting software package, Nonpoint Source Management System, Version 3.0, and hard copy report forms. (90 pgs.)

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