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To: Voting Members of the Surface Water Ambient Monitoring Program (SWAMP) Roundtable

From: The SWAMP Quality Assurance Team (QAT)

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Subject: Addition of Total Nitrogen (TN) to the *Surface Water Ambient Monitoring Program Quality Assurance Program Plan (QAPrP)* – **ROUNDTABLE VOTE RESULTS**

Background

In a March 17, 2010 memo, the SWAMP RT was asked to vote on the QAPrP's addition of TN, as well as associated measurement quality objectives (MQOs), reporting limit (RLs), and holding times. Results are summarized in the following table:

Region	Adopt Total Nitrogen?	Adopt Existing MQOs?	Holding Time (Days)	Reporting Limit (mg/L)
Regional Boards (8 votes total)	Yes (8 of 8)	Yes (7 of 8)	28 (8 of 8)	0.1 (8 of 8)
State Board (1 vote)	Yes	Yes	28	0.1

The State Board and all eight of the responding Regional Boards voted in favor of adopting TN as a SWAMP analyte with an RL of 0.1 mg/L and a holding time of 28 days. Seven of the Regional Boards voted to apply current SWAMP MQOs to TN. These updates are effective immediately, and will appear in the next version of the QAPrP.