

## Surface Water Quality Standard Working Group Results: Information Needs

Information Need	Category
What is the history of the classifications, why are some	Classification System/Designated Uses
streams classified that way?	
Do we have the case studies that show why the	Classification System/Designated Uses
classifications are important, 2000 database-would	
updating that data be useful?	
For primary and secondary, how do we currently	Classification System/Designated Uses
establish those and what is the process for changing	
them-is it listed in the chapter?	
Regarding categories and best available science, is	Classification System/Designated Uses
there a science or subject matter expert or information	
they should consider for best available?	
Consider actual uses - agricultural use, discharges	Classification System/Designated Uses
from oil and gas are very valuable, maintain existing	
uses	
Consider climate impacts - resiliency through water	Classification System/Designated Uses
quality standards	
Example of classifications differences for 2C or 2B	Designated Uses/Classification
etc.?	
Keep in mind effects clean water discharge has on	Drinking Water Human Health Quality
drinking water, downstream users, upstream intakes.	Criteria
Keep in mind Safe Drinking Water Act.	
At what point do budgetary considerations figure into	Drinking Water Human Health Quality
drinking water considerations/limits?	Criteria
Pharmaceuticals	Emerging Issue
Microplastics	Emerging Issue
Examples of situations that are not working and could	Examples
be improved?	
Fish consumption mercury, selenium, more when	General Water Quality Criteria
turbidity comes.	
What is a given standard set to protect-human health	Human Health Water Quality Criteria
and not for drinking water, or how is it going to be set?	
Importance of recreation to economy, Utah, Colorado,	Recreation Definitions
etc. – examples of definitions	



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How do the surrounding states compare regarding	Recreation Designated Uses
recreation, how do they handle these?	G
Survey from outdoor recreation providers, activities	Recreation Designated Uses
and uses they are engaging (e.g., pack rafting), Forest	
Service Lands, BLM Lands (e.g., Tensleep Canyon,	
Bighorns)	
Subcategories uses (e.g., backcountry uses)	Recreation Designated Uses
Consider seasonal recreational uses	Recreation Designated Uses
Implementation of cyanotoxins, what does that look	Recreation Water Quality Criteria
like? Implications of changing classifications?	
What does narrative criteria for rec criteria, or	Recreation Water Quality Criteria
cyanotoxin criteria look like? Other states? What would	
frequency be for recreation, are we researching that?	
Once we cover turbidity, can we ask for additional	Turbidity
resources?	
For existing discharge permits, what will be the	Turbidity
turbidity considerations, will we have any information	
on considerations related to permit renewal, and how	
do economic considerations figure in?	
Some of the criteria tied to BMPs so agricultural users	Water Quality Criteria
have something to look to.	
Regarding the list of Lindsay's questions for	Working Group Process
consideration, what is the degree of change for this	
revision?	
What can we change/cannot change based on the	Working Group Process
CWA and other regulatory boundaries that need to be	
addressed?	
With upcoming meetings, is there a stepwise process	Working Group Process
they should follow when considering topics?	
Will we have a list of participants or compilation of	Working Group Process
today's discussion?	
Who is main contact for questions outside of meeting?	Working Group Process
Do they send to Lindsay or Jessica or both?	
EPA requirements so they know what we can and	Working Group Process
cannot change. How is scenic value defined? How do	
we go about restoration of something like scenic	
value?	
Recommendations that we have that they could	Working Group Process
evaluate	
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