



Category 5 - Alternative Documentation Checklist - DRAFT

1. Demonstration of how an alternative restoration approach is expected to achieve WQS more rapidly than pursuing a TMDL in the near term.
2. Identification of specific impaired water segments or waters addressed by the alternative approach (severity of pollution; designated uses of impaired waters; nature of impaired waters; types of pollutants causing the impairment).
3. Identification of all sources (point and nonpoint) contributing to the impairment (relative mix of PS and NPS loadings or nature of the source of loadings).
4. Implementation strategy for how the alternative restoration approach is expected to achieve WQS.
5. An action plan or implementation plan documenting; the actions to address all sources (PS and NPS) as necessary to meet WQS (e.g., commitments to adjust permit limits or a list of NPS BMPs to be implemented and a schedule of actions designed to meet WQS containing clear milestones and dates, including interim milestones and target dates for deliverables)
6. Available funding for implementation
7. Identification of all parties committed, and/or additional parties needed, to take the actions that are expected to meet WQS (i.e., WRAPS, stream steams, NRDs, watershed groups).
8. An estimate or projection of the time when WQS will be met.
9. Plan for effectiveness monitoring (demonstrate progress made, identify needed improvements as the project progresses and commit to monitor evaluate success of all actions).
10. Commitment that alternative approach should be periodically evaluated to determine if it still expected to achieve WQS more rapidly than pursuing a TMDL.