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| SUBJECT : | Request to remove O’Dowd Lake (70-0095-00) from the 303(d) Impaired Waters list |

O’Dowd Lake (70-0095-00) was listed as impaired for aquatic recreation use during the 2002 listing cycle. At that time, the MPCA did not have separate standards for eutrophication based on depth. In 2010, when depth dependent standards were adopted, O’Dowd Lake was not reviewed, since its depth was greater than 25 feet. During TMDL development, a thorough review of depth information was conducted and it was determined that O’Dowd Lake does fit the definition of a shallow lake in statute (80% or more littoral area). Based on this, the lake should be held to the shallow lake eutrophication standards and is considered supporting of aquatic recreation use and should be removed as a correction to the Impaired Waters List.