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Public Comment to Great Lakes Water Authority

Inadequate Sampling and Testing at GLWA

The NPDES permits ask to test the chemicals in inflow and outflow of sewage treatment plants. Most large facilities depend on composite samples obtained from well-placed sampling sites covering the whole area.

A very good example is the Chicago system. However, the Great Lakes Water Authority relies on grab samples with minimal testing. This is why we have algae blooms in Lake Erie Western Basin, because phosphorus loading is under-reported.

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