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Number of states making strong progress toward reducing nitrogen and phosphorus pollution by setting priorities on a watershed or state-wide basis, establishing nutrient reduction targets, and continuing to make progress (and provide performance milestone information to EPA) on adoption of numeric nutrient criteria for at least one class of waters by no later than 2016. (cumulative)

Next Steps /Tentative Milestones:

EPA workgroup is developing the definition and methodology for this measure and will consider public comments (due March 19, 2012).

Mid-April: Brief regional water directors and states; also plan call with ECOS/ACWA

May: Finalize measure within National Water Program Guidance

References:

http://water.epa.gov/resource_performance/planning/FY-2013-National-Water-Program-Guidance.cfm

See Mike Shapiro memo

http://water.epa.gov/resource_performance/planning/upload/DAA-Memo-on-FY-2013-Draft-NWPG-02-15-2012.pdf

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http://water.epa.gov/resource_performance/planning/upload/Appendix-A-02-10-12-2.pdf