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ShorelineManagement Activities

GP comment.

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Peg, I have finally had an opportunity to review the general permit MDEQ is proposing for Great Lakes shoreline management activities. As you know, the Corps of Engineers maintains federal regulatory authority along Section 10 waters such as the Great Lakes, however, U.S. EPA would still like to provide some comment on the General Permit.

Over all we found that the activities that would be authorized by this general permit will only cause minimal adverse impacts when considered either individually or cumulatively. The permit procedures and the specific conditions required in this general permit do a good job of identifying which types of activities can be undertaken with out causing more than minimal adverse impact. We have no concerns with this General Permit and believe that activities authorized under it would comply with the requirements of the 404(b)(1) Guidelines.

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on this General Permit. Please let me know if you have any questions regarding our findings.

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