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Stacey,

My comments on the SFER peer-review panelists draft report, on the Draft 2009 SFER, are attached; I did not quite make COB today.

This is a draft set of comments only, and needs to be reviewed in detail in particular by Garth and Frank Nearhoof (CCed).

In this document, I comment on the content of Chapter 3B; on the panel's desire to have this chapter better integrated with other chapters; on how to act to resolve the mercury and sulfur issues; on ways to improve the peer review process.

As I see it, in order to improve Chapter 3B as is the Peer Review Panel's desire, we need to devote more staff resources to it. This could be accomplished by greater District involvement, and/or greater Department staff commitment. Some of my comments are therefore as much or more for the SFWMD and DEP as for the Peer Review Panel.

As well, to resolve the mercury issue, some additional work, or continuation of present work is recommended, as a response to Peer Review Panel comments.

My comments on the Peer Review Panel comments, are a good opportunity, maybe the only opportunity annually, for me to point out problems and suggest solutions re chapter 3B, and I have attempted to be highly constructive in doing this.

I attach for those who do not have it, a PDF of the peer-review panelists draft report that I am responding to.

I am aware that my responses to detailed Chapter 3B Peer Review Panel comments, as well as responses to comments from DB Environmental, and LimnoTech, are due tomorrow.

Thanks,

Don

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To SFER Volume I Leads:

Please note that the SFER peer-review panelists have now posted their draft report on the Draft 2009 SFER – Volume I, and now it is our turn for official review, a task in the Statement of Work for the panel process.

The draft document is available on the SFER WebBoard at:
http://webboard.sfwmd.gov/default.asp?action=10&boardid=4&fid=416

For this week .....
Please read section(s) of the panel's report (**attached)** that apply to your chapter (comments on other sections are welcome, too). Then, please e-mail us with any corrections or requests for clarification. [Remember, we are only evaluating their report to correct errors, or to ask for clarification or additional information ----- sorry, no reviewing the reviewers].

Please provide any comments to us **by COB this Thursday (10/16),** and we will assemble them into one document for WebBoard posting and distribution back to the panel by this Friday.

Upcoming Items .....
Per attached, the panel's final report is scheduled to be posted by next Friday (10/24), and Dr. Jordan, Panel Chair, will be presenting the panel's key findings and recommendations at the Nov. Governing Board meeting on 11/13 at District

headquarters.

Importantly, your final responses to panel comments/recommendations are due to the SFER Production Team **on or before Monday 11/17**. [Note that responses to comments for Ch.'s 1 and 4 are not anticipated, as the panel did not provide any further comments on these sections.]

Thanks to all, Garth and Stacey