

Antidegradation - SDAA

The Energy and Environment Cabinet finds that the lowering of water quality in high-quality streams accommodates important economic and social development in the area in which these waters are located. These findings are based on information submitted by the permittee in accordance with 401 KAR 10:030 [<http://www.lrc.ky.gov/kar/401/010/030.htm>] and its supporting record. The Antidegradation Implementation Procedure found in 401 KAR 10:030, Section 1 (3)(b)3., requires KPDES permit applications for new or expanded discharges to waters categorized as “Exceptional or High Quality Waters” to conduct a socioeconomic demonstration and alternatives analysis (SDAA) to justify the necessity of lowering local water quality to accommodate important economic or social development in the area in which the water is located. This antidegradation requirement could apply to any general permit or individual permit.

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