MEMO

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TO: Interested Parties

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RE: Clarification of Score Range for Filamentous Algae and Periphyton Stream Identification Form V. 3.1

We recently realized that two versions of the stream identification form exist. One form has the filamentous algae: periphyton item with a score range of 0 – 1.5 and the other has a score range of 0 – 3.

During the last revision in early 2005 (Version 3.1), the decision was made to combine the algae and periphyton items while the previous version had them as separate items. On the previous version where algae and periphyton were separate items, each scored 0 - 1.5. Since they were combined, the decision was made to double the score range to 0 - 3 to account for both items. The version 3.1 (that is on the web) is correct with the filamentous algae: periphyton score of 0-3. This version should be used for all stream evaluations.

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