4.5.5 Current and Potential Uses of Nearby Surface Waters and Water Quality Standards Established for Nearby Surface Waters

A Subpart X permit application must include a complete discussion of the potential uses of nearby surface waters and water quality standards that govern them. The permit writer should obtain information from the state about the water quality classification of such waters and their associated water quality standards. For certain types of rivers and streams, the classification and standards may be generic.

For any surface waters discussed in the permit application, a discussion of their use and water quality standards should be included. Of greatest importance are uses for drinking water, irrigation, and recreation.