

The Kalispel Tribe invites public review and comment on limited draft revisions to the Kalispel Water Quality Standards (WQS) as required by the Federal Clean Water Act. The Tribe's WQS were revised and submitted initially to the US Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) in 2016. After multiple reviews, EPA has approved most of the Tribe's WQS except for some portions of the aquatic life criteria that needed to be updated with new EPA-recommended criteria and clarifying language. The proposed revisions to the WQS are limited to the specific changes described in the Statement of Basis, with the specific edits illustrated in the red-line version of the standards. Both documents are available for review electronically at <u>https://knrd.org/our-water/</u>.

Hard paper copies of the documents are also available at the Kalispel Tribal Headquarters and the Newport Public Library.

Written comments must be submitted by April 25, 2022, and sent by email to <u>WQstandards@Kalispeltribe.com</u> or mailed to:

Kalispel Tribe of Indians Attn: Ken Merrill PO Box 39 Usk, WA 99180-0039

A public hearing will also be held to provide an opportunity to give verbal testimony at 5:30 PM April 21, 2022, at the Kalispel Tribe of Indians' Camas Center for Community Wellness, 1821 LeClerc Rd N, Cusick, WA. In addition, an open house will be held one hour before the Public Hearing to allow an opportunity for questions about the proposed draft revisions to the Kalispel Water Quality Standards.