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Subject: **Response to Public Comments and Public Meeting Comments**  
US Magnesium Canal Continuation Project  
Certification Decision No.: DWQ-2022-08001

The Division of Water Quality (“DWQ”) received over seven hundred and fifty (750) public comments related to the Draft Clean Water Act 401 Water Quality Certification prepared for the proposed U.S. Magnesium Canal Continuation Project. DWQ appreciates the many well informed and detailed comments that provided valuable information for DWQ to consider.

Due in part to public input, the Director has determined that he requires the results of a Level II Antidegradation Review in order to make a certifying decision. As such, the Director has denied the above referenced 401 Water Quality Certification request for insufficient information.

All comments received during the public comment period were considered and are now part of the administrative record, which is available on our webpage.