

Major Areas of Policy Concern

There are two broad areas of policy in which clarification would be help:

- 1) There is broad pressure on behalf of private interests to issue approvals for private takings of public waters with no entity to represent the broader public interests. Does NHDES represent the broad public interest or is NHDES simply the arbiter, in which case how are the public's interests represented?
- 2) Legislative guidance regarding the "rule of reasonableness." What is reasonable? Does any particular public interest carry more weight than the others?