

## Why did the Freshwater Cadmium Criterion Increase?

- Section 5.9.2 of the EPA technical document provides a comparison between the 2001 and 2016 criteria recommendations
- Differences between criteria recommendations relate to new/revised data and refined approach
  - New test organism toxicity data
  - Use of revised toxicological endpoints
  - Change in the most sensitive species
  - Smaller range of variation (reduced uncertainty) for the four most sensitive taxa