

Bacteria Criteria

- Proposing E. coli and enterococci criteria for Drinking Water and Fishing to 391-3-6-.03(6)(a)(i) and (6)(c)(i).
- Recreation designated use currently has E. coli and enterococci criteria.
- These proposed criteria were calculated based on a study in EPA's Exposure Factors Handbook, Chapter 3. Based on the water ingestion rates from this study, bacteria criteria for winter-time secondary contact recreation are 2.1 times higher than bacteria criteria for primary contact recreation.
- The following slide lists the proposed bacteria criteria for Fishing and Drinking Water designated uses that will replace the seasonal fecal coliform criteria currently in the rules.