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The following comments are regarding the Connecticut Statewide Lake Nutrient TMDL, Appendix 1: Bantam Lake Watershed.

I would like to first thank all those who led, managed, and contributed to this document. It helped me understand how much nutrient is being contributed to Bantam Lake from its watershed and how we could address these issues in the future. I appreciate how it illustrated the magnitude of loading from Woodridge Lake Water Pollution Control Facility and Internal Loading.

I believe the following edits will improve the document.

### The map on Page 3 titled **Figure 1**

- Other conserved lands need to be highlighted in addition to the Goshen Wildlife Management Area. These lands are owned by Goshen Land Trust, the town of Goshen, Litchfield Land Trust, White Memorial Foundation, and the state of Connecticut's Camp Columbia State Forest in Morris.
- Please refer to White Memorial in the context of this map as "White Memorial Foundation". White Memorial consists of two different organizations the Conservation Center and the Foundation. The White Memorial Foundation is a 501c(4) organization that owned and manages the majority of the 4000 acres in Litchfield and Morris. The White Memorial Conservation Center is a 501c(3) organization that owns several buildings that include a natural history museum, education centers, and other facilities.

### The map on Page 8 titled **Figure 4**

- There are currently two marinas on Bantam Lake. One is owned by the state of Connecticut and is located on Palmer Road, Morris. White Memorial Foundation owns and manages a public marina on North Shore Rd, Litchfield. There are a total of four public boat launches. Both the state of Connecticut and White Memorial Foundation manage launches at their marinas. The town of Morris owns a public launch on East Shore Road and the town of Litchfield owns a launch at their off of North Shore Rd. The town of Litchfield owns a boat launch for non-motorized watercraft located on Bantam River on Whites Woods Rd. in Litchfield. The state of Connecticut owns a boat launch on Dog Pond in Goshen.
- Camp Washington is not located in the Bantam Lake Watershed. The underground injection point located in the southeast region of the watershed is incorrect.

### Page 9 *Stormwater from Regulated Point Sources*

Please clarify if US Route 202 is covered by CT DOT MS4 General permit.

### Table 3 on Page 11

- Camp Washington is located in the Bantam Lake Watershed. Camp Washington is located at 190 Kenyon Rd, Morris, CT; which is located south of the watershed boundary.

### The map on Page 13 titled **Figure 5**

- Please highlight the public beach located on Bantam Lake that are owned by the towns of Litchfield and Morris.

- A River/Stream has been highlighted in error. The aqueduct located under Bantam Lake that travels underground ESE toward Pitch Reservoir appears to have been included in this map.
- Barren Land is located WSW of Bantam Lake at the town of Morris's old landfill. This point was located in Figure 4.

Page 18 Riparian Buffer Zone Analysis & Figure 10

What is the proportion of each land use category within the 300-ft shoreline buffer on land that is Protected Open Space around Bantam Lake? What is proportion of shoreline that is currently listed as Protected Open Space around Bantam Lake? It is significantly greater than most other lakes in the state.

Page 44 8.2 Future Monitoring Recommendations

There is a secondary bulleted list under the last primary item which lists locations for water quality monitoring. The locality of "Bantam Pond" was listed but this is also known as "Timber Pond". Timber Pond was used in Figure 1 and this is the name that is most often used locally.

I am looking forward to working toward the goals and strategies presented in these documents.

Best regards,

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