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Mr. Tyler Gandam
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Dear Mr. Gandam:

Thank you for your letter and for the important work that you do on behalf of the municipalities of Alberta. I am pleased to provide the following information on resolutions B18: Provincial Support for Watershed Management, and B19: Goldfish Infestation and Emergency Approval of Powder Form Rotenone Pesticide.

EPA regularly evaluates and reports on water quantity, quality, and ecosystem conditions. There are 19 tributary stations and one mainstream station that provide enhanced monitoring through the WaterSHED monitoring program. The monitoring includes increased frequency of sampling during periods of high flow, and continuous data collection for various key parameters.

The Alberta River Basins tool and the Water Survey of Canada also provide access to near-real time water quantity data from rivers, lakes, precipitation, and snowpack. The Alberta River Basins tool provides data summaries and forecasts from the River Forecast Centre and, in partnership with EPA, monitors water quantity in Alberta's rivers and streams through a network of more than 400 hydrometric stations.

EPA is also concerned by the disruption of access to liquid rotenone. In December 2023, EPA submitted a data package requesting Emergency Use Registration for powder rotenone to Health Canada's Pest Management Regulatory Agency for consideration. The federal agency felt exposure was not within acceptable limits to allow the emergency use registration to proceed, citing that powders create substantially increased risk for exposure to applicators compares to liquid formulations.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Rebecca Schulz', with a stylized, cursive script.

Rebecca Schulz
Minister of Environment and Protected Areas