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**2. Page 14, Section IV.B.6 – amended language to incorporate Appendix E**“6. Progress Implementing Watershed-based Plan (max: 2 pages)Applicants should complete the form that is included with Appendix E. Follow the instructions provided at the top of the form.”**3. Page 21, Added Appendix E to the list of Appendices**“PART VI LIST OF RFA APPENDICES AND RELATED DOCUMENTSAppendix A – Application Cover PageAppendix B – Debarment, Performance, and Non-Collusion CertificationAppendix C – Work Plan and InstructionsAppendix D - Submitted Questions FormAppendix E – Progress Implementing Watershed-based Plan”**4. Page 38, Added Appendix E****APPENDIX E** |
| **All other provisions and clauses of the RFP remain unchanged.** |