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The Shallows Lyrics

What's floating in your water, there Kimberly?
Just a little Iron, and some magnesium
What does that say about the quality?
How many other molecules cause disease-ium
Following standards by the EPA
Yea the concentration is acceptable – today
EPA, come measure the acidity
pH must be neutral, 7 would be beautiful
The hardness of water, that is tough to clean
Magnesium and calcium, clogging my pipes full
Coliform count more than 5%
Don't drink it down...well, do you feel real bad yet?
Hm...there's something in the water

Chorus:

Eutrophication from the fertilizer
Blocks out the light like a thick sun visor
While point source pipes dumping sludge in the water - oh
Causing this pollution
While, government government makes laws to protect "the shallows"
oh we oh oh

Now we filter water from a public lake
Screens remove the particles, branches and barnacles
Chemical added that coagulates
Sticky sticky flocs, making basins functional
Little floating globs settle down at the bottom
Are they easy to remove – oh yea, we got 'em
Filter once more using sand and gravel

Would you care to remove all of the algae and bacteria?
Add the chlorination and then stir with a paddle
Kill the microorganisms in this area
Air through the water to reduce the smell
I'll fix it up. Aeration is a-kind of swell
Hm...there's something in the water

(Chorus)

Plant roots filter and absorb all the metals and chemicals
While bacteria can eat some oil at the time of the spill
If you reuse the water
Yea and cool the water
You can reuse the water
Gosh, I hope they will

Human human waste can really cause some disease
Cholera, cholera - it's such a follower
Treatment plants, remove all of it please
Clean it up, serve it up - give me what I prefer
Industrial waste, from factories and mines
Can cause non point source - where pollution can't be tied
Chemicals dumped cause a reaction chain
Toxic chemicals, let's be sensible
Smoke and exhaust result in acid rain
Cars and smoke stacks...emitting the dispensable
Heat pollution gets some hot hot water
And heats it up...more than southern Nicaragua
Hm...there's something in the water

(Chorus x2)