

PUBLIC NOTICE

U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region 4
Water Protection Division
61 Forsyth Street, S.W.
Atlanta, GA 30303-8960

NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY
PROPOSED TOTAL MAXIMUM DAILY LOADS (TMDLs)
FOR WATERS AND POLLUTANTS IN THE STATE OF FLORIDA

Section 303(d) of the Clean Water Act requires each state to compile a list of those waters within its boundaries for which technology based effluent limitations are not stringent enough to protect any water quality standard applicable to such waters. Listed waters are prioritized with respect to designated use classifications and the severity of pollution. In accordance with this prioritization, states are then required to develop Total Maximum Daily Loads (TMDLs) for those listed waters. The TMDL process establishes the allowable loadings of pollutants or other quantifiable parameters for a waterbody based on the relationship between pollution sources and in-stream water quality conditions, so that states can establish water quality based controls to reduce pollution from both point and non-point sources and restore and maintain the quality of their water resources (USEPA, 1991).

The waterbody impairments on Florida's 303(d) list that are addressed by the proposed TMDLs are listed below.

Basin	Waterbody Name	Waterbody Identification (WBID) Number	§303(d) List Pollutant(s)
Middle Peace River Basin	Little Charlie Creek	1774	Fecal Coliforms
Middle Peace River Basin	Thompson Branch	1844	Fecal Coliforms
Lower & Middle St. Johns Basin	Doctors Lake	2389	Silver
Lower & Middle St. Johns Basin	Swimming Pen Creek	2410	Silver
Lower & Middle St. Johns Basin	Six Mile Creek	2411	Silver
Lower & Middle St. Johns Basin	Black Creek	2415B	Silver
Lower & Middle St. Johns Basin	Black Creek South Fork	2415C	Silver

Lower & Middle St. Johns Basin	Peters Creek	2444	Silver
Lower & Middle St. Johns Basin	Lake Harney	2964A	Silver
Middle St. Johns River	Gee Creek	2994A	Lead
Middle St. Johns River	Soldiers Creek	2986	Lead
Charlotte	North Prong Alligator Creek	2071	Fecal Coliforms
Hillsborough River	Big Ditch	1469	Fecal Coliforms
Hillsborough River	Channelized Stream	1483	Fecal Coliforms
Tampa Bay	Bell Creek	1660	Fecal Coliforms
Tampa Bay	Owens Branch	1675	Fecal Coliforms
Middle St. Johns River	Sawgrass Lake	28931	Nutrients and Dissolved Oxygen

Persons wishing to comment on the proposed TMDLs or to offer new data or information regarding the proposed TMDLs are invited to submit the same in writing no later than November 30, 2009, to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region 4, Water Protection Division, 61 Forsyth Street, S.W., Atlanta, Georgia 30303-8960, ATTENTION: Ms. Sibyl Cole, Pollution Control and Implementation Branch.

A copy of each of the proposed TMDLs can be obtained through the Internet or by contacting Ms. Cole at (404) 562-9437 or via electronic mail at cole.sibyl@epa.gov. The URL address for the proposed TMDLs is: <http://www.epa.gov/region4/water/tmdl/florida/>. The proposed TMDLs and supporting documents, including technical information, data, and analyses, may be reviewed at 61 Forsyth Street, S.W., Atlanta, Georgia, between the hours of 8 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday. Persons wishing to review this information should contact Ms. Cole to schedule a time for that review.

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Water Protection Division
Region 4
U.S. Environmental Protection Agency

9/30/2009
Date