

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.

<b>Basin</b>	<b>Waterbody Name</b>	<b>Waterbody Identification (WBID) Number</b>	<b>§303(d) List Pollutant(s)</b>
Tampa Bay	Cross Canal – North	1625	Fecal Coliform
Tampa Bay	Bullfrog Creek	1666A	Fecal Coliform
Tampa Bay	Bullfrog Creek	1666	Fecal Coliform
Tampa Bay	Little Bullfrog Creek	1688	Fecal Coliform
Alafia River	North Prong Alafia River	1621E	Dissolved Oxygen and Nutrients
Tampa Bay	Double Branch	1513	Dissolved Oxygen and Nutrients

Tampa Bay	Moccasin Creek Tidal	1530	Dissolved Oxygen and Nutrients
Tampa Bay	Lake Tarpon Canal	1541A, 1541B	Dissolved Oxygen and Nutrients
Tampa Bay	Lower Rocky Creek	1563	Dissolved Oxygen and Nutrients
Tampa Bay	Brushy Creek	1498	Dissolved Oxygen and Nutrients
Tampa Bay	Sweetwater Creek	1516	Dissolved Oxygen and Nutrients
Tampa Bay	Bishop Creek Tidal	1569	Dissolved Oxygen and Nutrients
Tampa Bay	Mullet Creek Tidal	1575	Dissolved Oxygen and Nutrients
Tampa Bay	Cross Canal-North Tidal	1625	Dissolved Oxygen and Nutrients
Tampa Bay	Allen Creek Tidal	1604	Dissolved Oxygen and Nutrients
Tampa Bay	Tampa Bypass Canal Tributary	1536C	Dissolved Oxygen and Nutrients

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](mailto: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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