

**DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES
ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION DIVISION**

**NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY OF DRAFT REGIONAL WATER PLANS FOR PUBLIC
REVIEW AND COMMENT**

TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS AND PARTIES:

The ten (10) Regional Water Planning Councils have developed draft updated Regional Water Plans that are available for public review and comment now through May 15, 2023.

Georgia's 2008 State Water Plan calls for on-going water planning that incorporates local and regional perspectives to ensure that the state's water resources are sustainably managed. Ten (10) Regional Water Planning Councils were established in 2009 and completed initial Regional Water Plans in 2011 that were updated in 2017. The Regional Water Plans were adopted by EPD in November 2011 and June 2017.

The State Water Plan calls for the Councils to review the Regional Water Plans every five years. The Councils began a review and revision process in 2020 that resulted in the draft updated Regional Water Plans. The Councils considered updated water and wastewater demand forecasts and resource assessment analyses in their preparations of the draft updated Regional Water Plans.

The draft updated Regional Water Plans may be viewed at <https://waterplanning.georgia.gov/regional-water-plans>. Written comments are welcomed and should be received by May 15, 2023. Comments can be submitted via email to water.planning@dnr.ga.gov.

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