

Georgia EPD Watershed Protection Branch

Notice of Public Meeting for Updates on Triennial Review of Water Quality Standards

The Georgia Environmental Protection Division (EPD) Watershed Protection Branch will hold a virtual public meeting to review and discuss proposed changes to the Georgia Rules for Water Quality Control, Chapter [391-3-6.03](#) (Designated Uses and Water Quality Standards) that were initiated at the beginning of the 2022 Triennial Review of Water Quality Standards, in April 2022. The meeting will be held on **Monday, October 7, 2024, beginning at 10:00 am** on the Zoom web conferencing platform.

The purpose of this meeting is to provide the public and interested stakeholders the opportunity to learn about the proposed updates to Georgia's Water Quality Standards. A working draft of the proposed rule change can be found here on the EPD Water Quality Standards web page, under the 2022 Triennial Review section (<https://epd.georgia.gov/watershed-protection-branch/georgia-water-quality-standards>).

Among the changes being proposed are adoption of EPA's recommended aquatic life criteria for diazinon, nonylphenol, and selenium, updated human health criteria for 83 pollutants and new human health criteria for 5 pollutants, adoption of site-specific criteria for Lakes Burton, Rabun, and Tugalo, and revision of the designated uses of 11 waterbody segments to recreation and 7 waterbody segments to drinking water.

**Zoom Meeting Details:
October 7, 2024, beginning at 10:00 a.m.**

Join Online:

<https://gaepd.zoom.us/j/99234645804?pwd=rDS2qkBLxRIYk97fYFBFNLeE8CQ6k4.1>

Join by Phone:

470-381- 2552 (Atlanta)

888-788-0099 (Toll-free)

Meeting ID: **992 3464 5804**

Passcode: **874007**

At the virtual public meeting, anyone may make a statement, or offer comments either orally or in writing. Lengthy statements or statements of a considerable technical or economic nature, as well as previously recorded messages, should be submitted in writing.

Written comments are also welcomed and must be received by close of business on Friday, October 11, 2024. Written comments may be emailed to EPD.Comments@dnr.ga.gov or sent via regular mail to: EPD Watershed Protection Branch, Attention: Gillian Batson, 2 Martin Luther King, Jr. Dr., Suite 1470A, East Tower, Atlanta, Georgia, 30334. If you choose to e-mail your comments, please include the words "Triennial Review Comments" in the subject line to help ensure that your comments will be forwarded to the correct staff.