

EPD Watershed Protection Branch

Notice of Public Meeting for Human Health Criteria Updates for 2022 Triennial Review of Water Quality Standards

The Georgia Environmental Protection Division (EPD) [Watershed Protection Branch](#) will hold a virtual public meeting to explain and discuss the risk targets associated with the human health criteria updates that EPD is considering as part of the 2022 Triennial Review of Water Quality Standards. The meeting will be held on **Wednesday, March 15, 2023, beginning at 11:00 am** on the Zoom web conferencing platform.

This meeting is the second in a series of meetings pertaining to updates to our Water Quality Standards based on the 2015 update to EPA's National Recommended Water Quality Criteria for the Protection of Human Health. The first meeting in this series was held on September 21, 2022 and focused on EPA's recommended criteria and the probabilistic risk assessment method EPD is planning to use to update our human health criteria. Slides from the first meeting can be accessed on EPD's [Water Quality Standards](#) webpage or download directly at:

<https://epd.georgia.gov/document/document/9212022hhcpublicmeetingpdf/download>.

This second meeting will focus on the concept of risk targets and risk as it pertains to subgroups of the population. Additional meeting(s) will be held later to discuss the final resulting criteria. EPD will also address stakeholder questions during the meeting.

Zoom Meeting Details: March 15, 2023, beginning at 11:00 a.m.

Join Online:

<https://gaepd.zoom.us/j/94840045713?pwd=U3h5UHRDUIJTQkQ0dTVMSHF5Z1VXUT09>

Join by Phone:

470 381 2552 US (Atlanta)
888 788 0099 US Toll-free
Meeting ID: 948 4004 5713
Passcode: 009190

A fact sheet and other criteria documents for EPA's Human Health Ambient Water Quality Criteria: 2015 Update can be found at: <https://www.epa.gov/wqc/human-health-water-quality-criteria-and-methods-toxics>

At the 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 may be emailed to EPD.Comments@dnr.ga.gov or sent via regular mail to:

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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.

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