

NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY OF PROPOSED
TOTAL MAXIMUM DAILY LOADS
FOR WATERS AND POLLUTANTS OF CONCERN
IN THE STATE OF GEORGIA
May 25, 2017

TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS AND PARTIES:

Notice is hereby given that the State of Georgia has proposed revised Total Maximum Daily Loads (TMDLs) for dissolved oxygen for one segment in the St. Marys River Basin and for copper for three segments in the Tallapoosa River Basin.

Section 303(d)(1)(C) of the Clean Water Act (CWA), 33 U.S.C. 1313(d)(1)(C), and the U. S. Environmental Protection Agency implementing regulation, 40 C.F.R. 130.7(c)(1), require the establishment of TMDLs for waters identified in accordance with Section 303(d)(2)(A) of the CWA. Each TMDL is to be established at a level necessary to implement applicable water quality standards with seasonal variations and a margin of safety. Revised TMDLs are proposed for the following waters:

St. Marys River Basin

St. Marys River, Catfish Creek to Millers Branch in Camden County

Tallapoosa River Basin

Buffalo Creek, Downstream Southwire Corp. in Carroll County,
Buffalo Creek, Upstream Little Tallapoosa River in Carroll County, and a
Tributary to Buffalo Creek, Carrollton in Carroll County.

A copy of this notice and a copy of each TMDL may be reviewed during normal business hours 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday (except official State holidays or EPD office closures) at the following location: Environmental Protection Division, Watershed Protection Branch, 200 Piedmont Ave. S.W., Suite 418, Atlanta, Georgia 30334, (404) 463-1508.

A single copy of each TMDL is available by written or phone request to the Georgia Environmental Protection Division. Please direct requests to Ms. Arnettia Murphy at the address or phone number given above. If additional copies are requested, a copying charge of 10 cents per page will be assessed. A copy of each TMDL is also available online at: <http://epd.georgia.gov/documents/proposed-tmdls>

Written comments are welcomed. To insure their consideration, written comments should be received on or before 4:00 p.m., July 28, 2017. Written comments should be addressed to: Mr. Jac Capp, Branch Chief, Watershed Protection Branch, 2 Martin Luther King Jr. Drive, Suite 1152, Atlanta, Georgia 30334. Comments may be emailed to EPDComments@dnr.state.ga.us. If you choose to e-mail your comments, please be sure to include the words "TMDL Comments" somewhere in the subject line to help ensure that your comments will be forwarded to the correct staff.

For technical information contact Dr. Elizabeth Booth, Watershed Planning and Monitoring Program, (404) 463-4929.

After a review of comments, a final decision on each of the proposed revised TMDLs will be made and the proposed revised TMDL will be submitted to the USEPA for approval.

Please bring the foregoing to the attention of persons whom you believe will be interested in this matter.