

NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY OF PROPOSED TOTAL MAXIMUM
DAILY LOADS FOR WATERS AND POLLUTANTS OF
CONCERN IN THE STATE OF GEORGIA
(Comment Period Extension)
August 22, 2016

TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS AND PARTIES:

Notice is hereby given that the State of Georgia has developed proposed total maximum daily loads (TMDLs) for individual pollutants for a number of segments of rivers, streams, and lakes in the Suwanee, Satilla, Oconee, Ocmulgee and Altamaha River Basins.

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 total maximum daily loads (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. TMDLs are proposed for the following waters:

Suwannee River Basin

- Daniels Creek - Biological- Macroinvertebrate
- Lime Sink Creek - Biological- Macroinvertebrate
- Red Oak Creek - Biological- Macroinvertebrate
- Snapfinger Creek - Biological- Macroinvertebrate
- Jones Creek (aka Tatum Creek) - Lead
- Suwannoochee Creek – Lead
- Withlacoochee River – Lead

Satilla River Basin

- Jekyll Island - Clam Creek Beach – Enterococci
- Jekyll Island - St. Andrews Beach - Enterococci

Oconee River Basin

- Barrow Creek - Biological-Fish
- Falling Creek- Biological-Fish
- Harris Creek - Biological-Fish
- Pughes Creek - Biological-Fish
- Commissioner Creek - Zinc
- Little Commissioner Creek - Cadmium & Zinc
- Limestone Creek – Fecal coliform
- Tributary to Middle Oconee River – Fecal coliform

Ocmulgee River Basin

- Caney Fork Creek - Biological-Fish
- Peeksville Creek - Biological-Fish

Swan Creek - Biological-Fish
Tributary to Tussahaw Creek - Biological-Fish
Tussahaw Creek - Biological-Fish
Wolf Creek - Biological-Fish
Intrenchment Creek - Biological-Macroinvertebrate
Pughs Creek - Biological-Macroinvertebrate
Snapfinger Creek - Biological-Macroinvertebrate
South River - Biological-Macroinvertebrate
Tributary to Gum Branch - Biological-Macroinvertebrate
Stone Mountain Creek – Copper
Yellow River - Copper
Alcovy River – Fecal coliform
Towaliga River – Fecal coliform
Walnut Creek – Fecal coliform

Altamaha River Basin

Beard's Creek - Biological-Fish
Tributary to Beard's Creek - Biological-Fish
Reimolds Pasture Beach - Enterococci
Little Ohoopsee River – Fecal coliform
Ohoopsee River – Fecal coliform
Pendleton Creek, Reedy Creek to Swift Creek – Fecal coliform
Pendleton Creek, Swift Creek to Ohoopsee River – Fecal coliform
Rocky Creek – Fecal coliform
Ten Mile Creek – Fecal coliform
Thomas Creek – Fecal coliform
Watermelon Creek – Fecal coliform

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#TMDLFiles>

NOTE: The comment period has been extended from the originally announced date of August 15, 2016 to a revised date of September 30, 2016.

Written comments are welcomed. To insure their consideration, written comments should be received on or before 4:00 p.m., September 30, 2016. 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 Mr. Ted Hendrickx, TMDL Modeling and Development Unit, Watershed Planning and Monitoring Program, (404) 463-4926.

After a review of comments, a final decision on each of the proposed TMDLs will be made and the proposed 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.