

**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE
NORTHERN DISTRICT OF FLORIDA
TALLAHASSEE DIVISION**

**FLORIDA WILDLIFE
FEDERATION, INC., et al.,**

Plaintiffs,

v.

CASE NO. 4:08cv324-RH/WCS

LISA P. JACKSON, etc., et al.,

Defendants.

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ORDER EXTENDING THE PHASE II DEADLINES

The defendants United States Environmental Protection Agency and its Administrator have moved to extend the deadlines for proposing and adopting the “Phase II” water-quality criteria—that is, the criteria for coastal and estuarine waters and flowing waters (“streams”) in the South Florida region. The plaintiffs do not oppose the motion. The proposed new deadlines conform to those for the remaining “Phase I” criteria—that is, the criteria for streams outside the South Florida region and the downstream-protection criteria for unimpaired lakes—but provide an additional 30 days for publishing a final Phase II rule. I find the

requested extension reasonable in light of the interest in coordinating the Phase I and Phase II criteria. Accordingly,

IT IS ORDERED:

1. The motion to extend deadlines, ECF No. 402, is GRANTED.
2. The deadline is extended to November 30, 2012, for the Administrator to sign for publication a proposed rule setting numeric nutrient criteria for coastal and estuarine waters and for streams in the South Florida region. The deadline for the Administrator to sign for publication a notice of final rulemaking for these waters is extended to September 30, 2013.

SO ORDERED on July 13, 2012.

s/Robert L. Hinkle
United States District Judge