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UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY
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PUBLIC NOTICE

U.S. ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY DECISION TO ADD SEVEN WATERBODY-POLLUTANT COMBINATIONS TO FLORIDA'S 2012 SECTION 303(d) LIST, AS AMENDED

Section 303(d)(2) of the Clean Water Act requires that states submit, every two years, lists of waters for which existing pollution controls fail to attain or maintain state water quality standards. The EPA must approve or disapprove each list, referred to as a 303(d) list or list of impaired waters. On September 30, 2014, the EPA partially approved Florida's 2012 303(d) list, as amended, agreeing with the State's listing of 279 waterbody-pollutant combinations as well as the removal of 388 waterbody-pollutant combinations. The EPA also independently determined that 7 additional waterbody-pollutant combinations should have been included and has added those to Florida's section 303(d) list.

The EPA welcomes public comments on the decision to add 7 waterbody-pollutant combinations to Florida's 2012 303(d) list, as amended. You are invited to submit comments in writing no later than November 14, 2014, to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region 4, Water Protection Division, 61 Forsyth Street, S.W., Atlanta, Georgia 30303-8960, ATTENTION: Ms. Catherine York, Water Quality Planning Branch. Ms. York may also be contacted via electronic mail at york.catherine@epa.gov. Oral comments will not be considered.

Copies of the EPA's decision about Florida's list that explains the rationale for the EPA's decision can be found on the EPA Region 4 web site at the following URL address:

www.epa.gov/region4/water/tmdl/florida

You may write or email Ms. York at the address or electronic mail address provided above. Records for this decision are available for public inspection at 61 Forsyth Street, SW., Atlanta, Georgia, between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m., Monday through Friday. To review this information, contact Ms. York at the above electronic mail address to schedule a time. The EPA's final action and response to comments will be announced after all comments are reviewed.



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Date