

**Final Agency Action Removing 20 Waterbody/Pollutant Combinations for Waters Located Within the Calcasieu and Ouachita Basins From the Louisiana 303(d) List Because TMDLs Are Not Needed**

Subsegment	Waterbody name	Pollutant
030301	Calcasieu River and Ship Channel—Saltwater Barrier to Moss Lake (Estuarine) (includes Coon Island and Clooney Island Loops).	Ammonia.
030302	Lake Charles (Estuarine)	Non-priority organics.
030306	Bayou Verdine	Non-priority organics.
030901	Bayou D'Inde—Headwaters to Calcasieu River (Estuarine)	Non-priority organics.
030901	Bayou D'Inde—Headwaters to Calcasieu River (Estuarine)	Other inorganics.
030302	Lake Charles (Estuarine)	Priority organics.
030303	Prien Lake	Priority organics.
030304	Moss Lake (Estuarine)	Priority organics.
030305	Contraband Bayou (Estuarine)	Priority organics.
030401	Calcasieu River—Calcasieu Ship Channel Below Moss Lake to the Gulf of Mexico (Estuarine) (Includes Monkey Island Loop).	Priority organics.
030402	Calcasieu Lake (Estuarine)	Priority organics.
080102	Bayou Chauvin—Headwaters to the Ouachita River	Ammonia.
080901	Boeuf River—Arkansas State Line to Ouachita River	Ammonia.
080905	Turkey Creek—Headwaters to Turkey Creek Cutoff and Turkey Creek Cutoff to Big Creek including Glade Slough.	Ammonia.
081401	Dugdemona River—Headwaters to junction with Big Creek	Dioxins.
081001	Bayou Macon—Arkansas State Line to Tensas River	Nutrients.
081402	Dugdemona River—From Big Creek to Little River	Organic enrichment/low DO.
081609	Hemphill Creek—Headwaters to Catahoula Lake (includes Hair Creek)	Organic enrichment/low DO.
080901	Boeuf River—Arkansas State Line to Ouachita River	Phosphorus.
080903	Big Creek—Headwaters to Boeuf River (including Big Colewa Bayou)	Phosphorus.

EPA requested the public to provide to EPA any significant data or information that may impact the determinations that 20 TMDLs are not needed in 67 FR 15196 (March 29, 2002). The comments received and EPA's response to comments may be found at [www.epa.gov/region6/water/tmdl.htm](http://www.epa.gov/region6/water/tmdl.htm).

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Acting Director, Water Quality Protection Division, Region 6.  
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**ACTION:** Notice of availability.

**SUMMARY:** This notice announces final agency action on 11 TMDLs prepared by EPA Region 6 for waters listed in Louisiana's Ouachita river basin, under section 303(d) of the Clean Water Act (CWA). This notice also announces final agency action removing 4 waterbody/pollutant combinations from the Louisiana 303(d) list because TMDLs are not needed. The EPA evaluated these waters and prepared the 11 TMDL in response to a consent decree entered in the lawsuit *Sierra Club, et al. v. Clifford et al.*, No. 96-0527, (E.D. La.). Documents from the administrative record files for the 4 determinations that TMDLs are not needed and for 11 the TMDLs, including TMDL calculations and responses to comments, may be viewed at [www.epa.gov/region6/water/tmdl.htm](http://www.epa.gov/region6/water/tmdl.htm). The administrative record files may be obtained by calling or writing Ms. Caldwell at the above address. Please contact Ms. Caldwell to schedule an inspection.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**  
Ellen Caldwell at (214) 665-7513.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** In 1996, two Louisiana environmental groups, the Sierra Club and Louisiana Environmental Action Network (plaintiffs), filed a lawsuit in Federal Court against the EPA, styled *Sierra Club, et al. v. Clifford et al.*, No. 96-0527, (E.D. La.). Among other claims, plaintiffs alleged that EPA failed to establish Louisiana TMDLs in a timely manner.

**EPA Takes Final Agency Action on 11 TMDLs**

By this notice EPA is taking final agency action on the following 11 TMDLs for waters located within the Ouachita river basin:

**ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY**

[FRL-7227-4]

**Clean Water Act Section 303(d): Final Agency Action on 11 Total Maximum Daily Loads (TMDLs) and Final Agency Action on 4 Determinations That TMDLs Are Not Needed**

**AGENCY:** Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

Subsegment	Waterbody name	Pollutant
080401	Bayou Bartholomew—Arkansas State Line to Dead Bayou (Lake Bartholomew) (Scenic).	Mercury.
080402	Bayou Bartholomew—Dead Bayou (Lake Bartholomew) to Ouachita River	Mercury.
080302	Black River—Corps of Engineers Control Structure to Red River	Organic enrichment/low DO.
081602	Little River—From Bear Creek to Catahoula Lake (Scenic)	Siltation.

Subsegment	Waterbody name	Pollutant
080401 .....	Bayou Bartholomew—Arkansas State line to Dead Bayou Lake (Bartholomew) (Scenic).	Suspended solids.
080202 .....	Bayou Louis .....	Turbidity.
080401 .....	Bayou Bartholomew—Arkansas State line to Dead Bayou (Lake Bartholomew)(Scenic).	Turbidity.
081002 .....	Joe's Bayou—Headwaters to Bayou Macon .....	Turbidity.
081202 .....	Lake St. Joseph (Oxbow Lake) .....	Turbidity.
081601 .....	Little River—Confluence of Castor Creek and Dugdemona River to junction with Bear Creek (Scenic).	Turbidity.
081602 .....	Little River—From Bear Creek to Catahoula Lake (Scenic) .....	Turbidity.

EPA requested the public to provide EPA with any significant data or information that may impact the 11 TMDLs in 67 FR 19575 (April 22, 2002). The comments received and EPA's

response to comments may be found at [www.epa.gov/region6/water/tmdl.htm](http://www.epa.gov/region6/water/tmdl.htm).

**Final Agency Action Removing 4 Waterbody/Pollutant Combinations for Waters Located Within the Calcasieu and Ouachita River Basins From the Louisiana 303(d) List Because TMDLs Are Not Needed**

Subsegment	Waterbody name	Pollutant
030201 .....	Calcasieu River—Confluence with Marsh Bayou to Saltwater Barrier (Scenic)	Lead.
081401 .....	Dugdemona River—Headwaters to junction with Big Creek .....	Nutrients.
081401 .....	Dugdemona River—Headwaters to .....	Organic enrichment/low DO.
081503 .....	Beaucoup Creek—Headwaters to Castor Creek .....	Organic enrichment/low DO (TMDL previously LDEQ established & EPA approved).

EPA requested the public to provide to EPA any significant data or information that may impact the determinations that 4 TMDLs are not needed in 67 FR 19575 (April 22, 2002). The comments received and EPA's response to comments may be found at [www.epa.gov/region6/water/tmdl.htm](http://www.epa.gov/region6/water/tmdl.htm).

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Acting Director, Water Quality Protection Division, Region 6.  
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**ACTION:** Notice of availability.

**SUMMARY:** This notice announces final agency action removing 151 waterbody/pollutant combinations listed in Louisiana's Calcasieu and Ouachita river basins, under section 303(d) of the Clean Water Act (CWA) because TMDLs are not needed. The EPA evaluated these waters in response to a consent decree entered in the lawsuit *Sierra Club, et al. v. Clifford et al.*, No. 96-0527, (E.D. La.). Documents from the administrative record files for the 151 determinations that TMDLs are not needed, including responses to comments, may be viewed at [www.epa.gov/region6/water/tmdl.htm](http://www.epa.gov/region6/water/tmdl.htm). The administrative record files may be obtained by calling or writing Ms. Caldwell at the above address. Please contact Ms. Caldwell to schedule an inspection.

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**Final Agency Action Removing 149 Waterbody/Pollutant Combinations for Waters Located Within the Calcasieu and Ouachita River Basins From the Louisiana 303(d) List Because TMDLs Are Not Needed**

**ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY**

[FRL-7227-5]

**Clean Water Act Section 303(d): Final Agency Action on 151 Determinations That TMDLs Are Not Needed**

**AGENCY:** Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

Subsegment	Waterbody name	Pollutant
030103 .....	Calcasieu—Rapides-Allen Parish line to confluence with Marsh Bayou (Scenic).	Cadmium.
030201 .....	Calcasieu River—Confluence with Marsh Bayou to Salt-water Barrier .....	Cadmium.
030801 .....	West Fork Calcasieu River—From confluence of Beckwith Creek and Hickory Branch to Calcasieu River.	Cadmium.
030103 .....	Calcasieu River—Rapides-Allen Parish line to confluence with Marsh Bayou (Scenic).	Copper.
030201 .....	Calcasieu River—Confluence with Marsh Bayou to Salt-water Barrier .....	Copper.