

Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources
Bureau of Water Quality
Total Maximum Daily Loads (TMDLs)
for Impaired Waters in Wisconsin
PUBLIC NOTICE

January 10, 2012

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to ss.283.83, Stats, and ch. NR 121 Wis. Adm. Code, the Department of Natural Resources will hold a public informational hearing on a proposed amendment to the Areawide Water Quality Management Plan and the proposed Total Maximum Daily Load for phosphorus for the St. Croix River Basin.

Section 303(d)(1) of the Clean Water Act (CWA) and 40 C.F.R. §130.7(c)(1) require the establishment of Total Maximum Daily Loads (TMDLs) for waters identified as impaired pursuant to §303(d)(1)(A) of the CWA. The Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources (WDNR) and the Minnesota Pollution Control Agency have developed a draft TMDL for phosphorus for the following identified §303(d)(1)(A) lake:

Lake St. Croix, bordering St. Croix and Pierce Counties in Wisconsin

A copy of the proposed TMDL is available at:

http://dnr.wi.gov/org/water/wm/wqs/303d/Draft_TMDLs.html

NOTICE IS HEREBY FURTHER GIVEN that public informational hearings will be held on:

Tuesday, January 31, 2012 at these two times and locations:

- **Siren**, 10 a.m. Room 165 (first floor) in the Burnett County Government Center, 7410 County Road K.
- **Hudson**, 7 p.m., in the Community Room (lower level) of the St. Croix County Government Center, 1101 Carmichael Road.

The Department has scheduled a public informational hearing at the times and places listed above for the purpose of giving all interested persons an opportunity to make a statement with respect to the proposed TMDL and the update of the Areawide Water Quality Management Plan. A hearing officer will conduct the hearing in an orderly and efficient manner and will use procedures necessary to insure broad public participation in the hearing. The office will open the hearing and make a concise statement of the scope and purpose of the hearing and Department staff will give a brief presentation on the proposed TMDL. The hearing officer may put limits on individual oral statements to insure an opportunity for all persons present to make statements in a reasonable amount of time and to prevent undue repetition. Information and clarifying questions

and oral statements shall be directed through the hearing officer. Cross-examination shall not be allowed.

Department staff will be present at the hearing location for 30 minutes in advance of the hearing and for a short time immediately afterward for questions and further information.

Persons wishing to comment on the proposed TMDL are invited to do so by attending the public informational hearing or by submitting comments in writing (by mail or e-mail) to Kathy Bartilson at the address below no later than February 10, 2012:

Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources
810 W. Maple St.
Spooner, WI 54801
Attn: Kathy Bartilson
Kathy.Bartilson@wisconsin.gov

For questions or comments contact Buzz Sorge (West Central Region) at (715)-839-3794 or Kathy Bartilson (Northern Region) at (715)-635-4053. Copies of the TMDL report may be obtained from the web address above or by calling, writing, or e-mailing the numbers or addresses listed above.

Upon review of public comments and revision, if necessary, the Department will submit this TMDL to the EPA for approval as final. Approval of this TMDL will result in an amendment to the St. Croix Basin Plan per s. NR121.083, Wis. Admin. Code.

NOTICE IS HEREBY FURTHER GIVEN that pursuant to the Americans with Disabilities Act, reasonable accommodations, including provision of informational material in an alternative format, will be provided for qualified individuals with disabilities upon request. Please call Kathy Bartilson at 715/635-4053 with specific information on your request at least 5 days before the date of the scheduled hearings.

Dated at Madison, Wisconsin January 10, 2012

STATE OF WISCONSIN
DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES

By 
For Cathy Stepp, Secretary