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MISSOURI 2018 303(d) IMPAIRED WATERS PUBLIC NOTICE AND HEARING SCHEDULE

Pursuant to Section 303(d) of the federal Clean Water Act, states must biennially submit a list of impaired or threatened waterbodies to the United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) during even numbered years. A draft of Missouri's 2018 Section 303(d) Impaired Waters List has been developed by the Missouri Department of Natural Resources and will be available for public consideration and comment.

Submittal of the list to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) is a requirement of the Federal Clean Water Act. The preparation of this list is also subject to the requirements of RSMo Section 644.036.5. A tentative schedule contains the following milestones:

Public notice of the proposed list	July 3, 2017
Public Availability Meeting #1	August 24, 2017
Public Availability Meeting #2	September 19, 2017
Clean Water Commission Hearing	October 4, 2017
End of Public Notice	October 13, 2017
Response to comments	November 17, 2017
Clean Water Commission Adoption	January 10, 2018
Submittal to EPA on/before	April 1, 2018

On or before July 3, 2017, the Water Protection Section will be requesting approval to proceed with the 90-day public notice prior to a hearing before the Clean Water Commission. At that time and as required, information on the proposed waters would be posted on the department website. Other hearings, response to comments and decisions would follow the requirements of the Missouri Clean Water Law. While the deadline for submitting the list to EPA is April 1, 2018, the above schedule is the most expeditious time frame that can be expected to be achieved, given the additional state statutory requirements and quarterly meetings held by the Clean Water Commission.

Questions on the Public Notice and Hearing Schedule for the draft 2018 303(d) List may be directed to Robert Voss, Watershed Protection Section, P.O. Box 176, Jefferson City, MO 65102-0176 or by email at robert.voss@dnr.mo.gov.