

[December 30, 2003]

Ms. Cheryl Crisler
U.S. Environmental Protection
Agency, Region VII
901 North Fifth Street
Kansas City, KS 66101

RE: Submit TMDL for McDaniel Lake
Request to Delist Fellows Lake

Dear Ms. Crisler:

Enclosed please find a copy of the total maximum daily load (TMDL) study for McDaniel Lake in Greene County, Missouri. We have received and reviewed your comments on the draft TMDL document and have edited it appropriately. The TMDL was public noticed from November 21 to December 21, 2003. Public comments were received and the document was adjusted where appropriate. All public comments received and Missouri Department of Natural Resources' response letters are on file with the department. We now submit this document as a final TMDL for review and approval by the U.S. EPA pursuant to Section 303(d)(2) of the federal Clean Water Act.

The McDaniel Lake TMDL was developed by the department's Water Pollution Control Program to address the algae impairment of this water, as identified on the 1998 section 303(d) list. This impairment comes from excess nutrients, particularly phosphorus, reaching the lake and causing prolific algae growth. Occasionally these algae experience a die-off, often resulting in objectionable taste and odor in Springfield's drinking water.

Fellows Lake was also listed as impaired by algae on the 1998 section 303(d) list. Since there has been only one taste and odor event in Fellows Lake, and there is no additional data to indicate that the lake is impaired, the department believes that a TMDL is not required for this lake. Therefore, the Missouri Department of Natural Resources respectfully requests that EPA remove Fellows Lake from the 303(d) list.

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We appreciate EPA taking prompt action on this TMDL and our request for delisting. If you have any questions, please contact Becky Shannon at (573) 751-7428 or by mail at Missouri Department of Natural Resources, Water Pollution Control Program, P. O. Box 176, Jefferson City, MO 65102-0176.

Sincerely,

WATER POLLUTION CONTROL PROGRAM

/Signed by Jim Hull/

Jim Hull
Director

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Enclosure

c: William Bryan, AGO

bc: Scott Totten, Michael Warrick, CWC