



UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY  
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REPLY TO THE ATTENTION OF:  
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May 7, 2021

Ms. Martha Clark Mettler  
Assistant Commissioner  
Office of Water Quality  
Indiana Department of Environmental Management  
Mail Code IGCN 1315  
100 North Senate Avenue  
Indianapolis, Indiana 46204-2251

Re: Indiana 2020 List of Impaired Waters under Clear Water Act, Section 303(d)

Dear Ms. Clark Mettler:

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency hereby transmits to the Indiana Department of Environmental Management (IDEM) the final list of water quality-limited segments (WQLSs) and associated metal pollutants EPA added to Indiana's 2020 Section 303(d) List of Impaired Waters still requiring a Total Maximum Daily Load (TMDL).


Indiana's 2020 303(d) list was submitted to EPA on January 19, 2021, pursuant to Section 303(d) of the CWA and the implementing regulations at 40 C.F.R. § 130.7. On February 19, 2021, EPA partially approved and partially disapproved the Indiana's 2020 303(d) list. EPA approved the WQLSs and associated pollutants identified by the State on the 2020 Section 303(d) list. However, EPA disapproved Indiana's decision not to include in its 2020 Section 303(d) list certain WQLSs impaired for metals.

Pursuant to 40 C.F.R. §130.7(d)(2), EPA issued a public notice soliciting public comment on its identification of WQLSs and associated metal pollutants for inclusion on Indiana's 2020 303(d) list. No comments were received during the 30-day public comment period (March 15 – April 14, 2021). Enclosed with this transmittal letter is a copy of the WQLSs and metal associated pollutants that were added by EPA ([Table 1 of Appendix 1](#)), and a copy of what EPA considers to be the final 2020 303(d) list for Indiana ([Table 2 of Appendix 1](#)).

I appreciate the continuing dialogue on these issues and look forward to our continued partnership in addressing the challenges of water quality in Indiana. I and my staff will continue to collaborate with you and your staff as you prepare your 2022 list.

If you have any questions, please contact Mr. David Pfeifer, Chief, Watersheds and Wetlands Branch, at (312) 353-9024 or [pfeifer.david@epa.gov](mailto:pfeifer.david@epa.gov).

Sincerely,

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