

Presented below are water quality standards that are in effect for Clean Water Act purposes.

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EPA-approved Variances to Illinois Water Quality Standards

Affected Water	Pollutant(s) Affected	Variance Limit	Approval Date	Variance Term
Chicago Area Waterway System and Lower Des Plaines River	Chloride	280 mg/L, five-year seasonal average	5/12/2022	15 years