



**UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY**  
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REPLY TO THE ATTENTION OF:  
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Adrian Stocks, Director  
Water Quality Bureau  
Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources  
101 S. Webster Street  
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Madison, Wisconsin 53707-7921

Dear Mr. Stocks:

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency has conducted a complete review of the final Total Maximum Daily Load (TMDL) updates for the Milwaukee River Basin, including supporting documentation and follow up information. The Milwaukee River Basin TMDLs for phosphorus, total suspended solids, and bacteria were originally approved on March 9, 2018. The updates to the TMDL add an additional 16 waters to those approved in the original TMDL decision.

EPA has determined that this TMDL update meets the requirements of Section 303(d) of the Clean Water Act and EPA's implementing regulations at 40 C.F.R. Part 130. Therefore, EPA hereby approves Wisconsin's addition of 16 waters to the Milwaukee River Basin TMDL. The statutory and regulatory requirements, and EPA's review of Wisconsin's compliance with each requirement, are described in the enclosed decision document. These additions do not change the basis for the original TMDL approval, nor the allocations previously approved.

We wish to acknowledge Wisconsin's effort in submitting these TMDLs and look forward to future submissions by the State of Wisconsin. If you have any questions, please contact Mr. David Werbach of the Watersheds and Wetlands Branch at [werbach.david@epa.gov](mailto:werbach.david@epa.gov) or 312-886-4242.

Sincerely,

Tera L. Fong  
Division Director, Water Division

Enclosure

cc: Kevin Kirsch, WDNR