



Janice K. Brewer
Governor

ARIZONA DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY

1110 West Washington Street • Phoenix, Arizona 85007
(602) 771-2300 • www.azdeq.gov



Benjamin H. Grumbles
Director

Public Notice for Lake Mary Region Mercury TMDLs

The Arizona Department of Environmental Quality (ADEQ), in accordance with Section 303(d) of the Clean Water Act, has developed Total Maximum Daily Load (TMDL) analyses for five lakes in the Lake Mary Region, including Upper Lake Mary, Lower Lake Mary, Soldiers Lake, Soldiers Annex Lake and Lower Long Lake in the Little Colorado River watershed near Flagstaff. ADEQ has determined that these lakes are impaired for mercury in fish tissue.

A TMDL defines the total amount of a particular constituent or pollutant which can be introduced into a water body without causing an exceedance of state surface water quality standards. The TMDL process enlists the participation of stakeholder groups and other interested parties to assist in identifying possible sources of pollution, to allocate loads of those pollutants in accordance with the objectives of the analysis, and to identify the most reasonable measures that should be implemented in order for the stream to achieve surface water quality standards.

ADEQ will release a draft version of the Lake Mary Region Mercury TMDLs on June 23, 2010 and will accept written comments until 5:00 pm (MST) on July 23, 2010. Written comments should be sent to:

Arizona Department of Environmental Quality
Attn: Susan Fitch
1110 W. Washington Street
Phoenix, AZ 85007

or electronically mailed to: fitch.susan@azdeq.gov

The TMDL may be reviewed at the following locations:

- ADEQ Records Center (first floor) 1110 W. Washington Street, Phoenix, Arizona 85007 (602) 771-2300 or
- ADEQ website (<http://www.azdeq.gov/envir/water/assessment/download/status-6-21-10.pdf>) and follow the "Draft TMDL Document" link under each lake name.

You may also obtain copies of the TMDLs by contacting ADEQ's Surface Water Section (Danese Cameron) at 1-800-234-5677, ext. 771-4569 (inside Arizona only) or (602) 771-4569. Responses to written comments received during the public comment period will be addressed and summarized in a public notice in the Arizona Administrative Register during the month of August, 2010.

If you have further questions about the Lake Mary Region Mercury TMDLs, please contact the project manager, Susan Fitch at 1-800-234-5677, ext. 771-4541 (inside Arizona only) or (602) 771-4541.

Northern Regional Office
1801 W. Route 66 • Suite 117 • Flagstaff, AZ 86001
(928) 779-0313

Southern Regional Office
400 West Congress Street • Suite 433 • Tucson, AZ 85701
(520) 628-6733