

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING, COMMENT PERIOD

This is to give notice that the Arkansas Department of Energy and Environment Division of Environmental Quality (DEQ), Office of Water Quality is opening the public comment period for the 2022 draft 303(d) List of Impaired Waters.

The 2022 draft 303(d) List of Impaired Waters can be found at www.adeq.state.ar.us/water/planning/integrated/303d/list.aspx. Public comments will be accepted from August 7, 2023 to September 18, 2023 and can be submitted to the following email waterbodycomments@adeq.state.ar.us or mailed to Arkansas DEQ, Office of Water Quality-Planning 303(d) Comments, 5301 Northshore Drive, North Little Rock, AR 72118-5317.

A public hearing will be held on September 18, 2023 beginning at 1:00 p.m. CDT, to accept comments on the 2022 draft 303(d) List of Impaired Waters. The public hearing will be held in person at DEQ Headquarters in North Little Rock located at 5301 Northshore Drive, North Little Rock, Arkansas and available virtually through Zoom.

Written and oral statements may be submitted regarding the draft 303(d) List of Impaired Waters to the Presiding Officer for consideration at the Public Hearing. If the hearing is postponed and rescheduled, a new legal notice will be published to announce the details of the new hearing date.

Persons to be recognized to make an oral comment through Zoom must be placed on a "virtual sign-in list" by notifying the Presiding Officer before 4:00 p.m. CDT on the day before the hearing. A request to be included on the list of commenters must include the name and mailing address of the individual requestor or commenter and be submitted to the email address above or voicemail to the telephone number 501-682-0947. Written comments may be submitted until 11:59 p.m. CDT on the day of the hearing, and must also include the commenter's name, mailing address, and email address.