

bias. Though financial conflicts of interest, the appearance of lack of impartiality, lack of independence, and bias may result in disqualification, the absence of such concerns does not assure that a candidate will be selected to serve on the FIFRA SAP. Numerous qualified candidates are identified for each panel. Therefore, selection decisions involve carefully weighing a number of factors including the candidates' areas of expertise and professional qualifications and achieving an overall balance of different scientific perspectives on the panel. In order to have the collective breadth of experience needed to address the Agency's charge for this meeting, the Agency anticipates selecting approximately 12 ad hoc scientists.

If a prospective candidate for service on the FIFRA SAP is considered for participation in a particular session, the candidate is subject to the provisions of 5 CFR part 2634, Executive Branch Financial Disclosure, as supplemented by the EPA in 5 CFR part 6401. As such, the FIFRA SAP candidate is required to submit a Confidential Financial Disclosure Form for Special Government Employees Serving on Federal Advisory Committees at the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA Form 3110-48 [5-02]) which shall fully disclose, among other financial interests, the candidate's employment, stocks and bonds and where applicable, sources of research support. The EPA will evaluate the candidate's financial disclosure form to assess that there are no financial conflicts of interest, no appearance of lack of impartiality and no prior involvement with the development of the documents under consideration (including previous scientific peer review) before the candidate is considered further for service on the FIFRA SAP.

Those who are selected from the pool of prospective candidates will be asked to attend the public meetings and to participate in the discussion of key issues and assumptions at these meetings. In addition, they will be asked to review and to help finalize the meeting minutes. The list of FIFRA SAP members participating at this meeting will be posted on the FIFRA SAP web site or may be obtained by contacting the PIRIB at the address or telephone number listed in Unit I.

II. Background

A. Purpose of the FIFRA SAP

Amendments to FIFRA enacted November 28, 1975 (7 U.S.C. 136w(d)), include a requirement under section 25(d) of FIFRA that notices of intent to

cancel or reclassify pesticide registrations pursuant to section 6(b)(2) of FIFRA, as well as proposed and final forms of regulations pursuant to section 25(a) of FIFRA, be submitted to a SAP prior to being made public or issued to a registrant. In accordance with section 25(d) of FIFRA, the FIFRA SAP is to have an opportunity to comment on the health and environmental impact of such actions. The FIFRA SAP also shall make comments, evaluations, and recommendations for operating guidelines to improve the effectiveness and quality of analyses made by Agency scientists. Members are scientists who have sufficient professional qualifications, including training and experience, to be capable of providing expert comments as to the impact on health and the environment of regulatory actions under sections 6(b) and 25(a) of FIFRA. The Deputy Administrator appoints seven individuals to serve on the FIFRA SAP for staggered terms of 4 years, based on recommendations from the National Institutes of Health and the National Science Foundation.

Section 104 of FQPA (Public Law 104-170) established the FQPA Science Review Board (SRB). These scientists shall be available to the FIFRA SAP on an ad hoc basis to assist in reviews conducted by the FIFRA SAP.

B. Public Meeting

The FIFRA SAP will meet to consider and review [a comparison of the results from 1- or 2-year dog studies on pesticides with dog studies of shorter duration]. Under the current 40 CFR part 158 toxicology data requirements, a 90-day and a 1-year non-rodent (dog) study (guidelines 82-1 and 83-1) are required for all food use pesticides and for pesticides with nonfood uses if use of the pesticide product is likely to result in repeated human exposure to the product over a significant portion of the human life-span. Over the last three decades the Agency has received the results of a large number of dog studies in support of the registration of pesticides. The Agency has conducted a retrospective analysis of dog studies that provided the basis for the selection of reference doses (RfD's) in order to determine whether the requirement for both a subchronic and a chronic dog study continues to be justified. The analysis involved a comparison of the results of 90-day studies and 1- or 2-year studies or a comparison of interim data (90-days or less) from 1-year dog studies with the data from 1-year in the same study. The Agency will be soliciting comments from the FIFRA Scientific Advisory Committee on this

retrospective analysis of the results of dog studies and, specifically, on whether the analysis supports the continuation of the requirement for both subchronic and chronic dog studies or whether consideration should be given to a modification of the current requirements for dog studies.

C. FIFRA SAP Meeting Minutes

The FIFRA SAP will prepare meeting minutes summarizing its recommendations to the Agency in approximately 60 days after the meeting. The meeting minutes will be posted on the FIFRA SAP web site or may be obtained by contacting the PIRIB at the address or telephone number listed in Unit I.

List of Subjects

Environmental protection, Pesticides and pests.

Dated: February 25, 2005.

Clifford J. Gabriel,

Director, Office of Science Coordination and Policy.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[FRL-7883-1]

Clean Water Act Section 303(d): Final Agency Action on 13 Total Maximum Daily Loads (TMDLs)

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice of availability.

SUMMARY: This notice announces final agency action on 13 TMDLs prepared by EPA Region 6 for waters listed in the State of Arkansas, under section 303(d) of the Clean Water Act (CWA). These TMDLs were completed in response to the lawsuit styled *Sierra Club, et al. v. Clifford, et al.*, No. LR-C-99-114. Documents from the administrative record files for the final 13 TMDLs, including TMDL calculations and responses to comments, may be viewed at <http://www.epa.gov/earth1r6/6wq/artmdl.htm>.

ADDRESSES: The administrative record files for these 13 TMDLs may be obtained by writing or calling Ms. Diane Smith, Environmental Protection Specialist, Water Quality Protection Division, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region 6, 1445 Ross Ave., Dallas, TX 75202-2733. Please contact Ms. Smith to schedule an inspection.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Diane Smith at (214) 665-2145.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: In 1999, five Arkansas environmental groups, the Sierra Club, Federation of Fly Fishers, Crooked Creek Coalition, Arkansas Fly Fishers, and Save our Streams (plaintiffs), filed a lawsuit in Federal

Court against the EPA, styled *Sierra Club, et al. v. Clifford, et al.*, No. LR-C-99-114. Among other claims, plaintiffs alleged that EPA failed to establish Arkansas TMDLs in a timely manner.

EPA Takes Final Agency Action on 13 TMDLs

By this notice EPA is taking final agency action on the following 13 TMDLs for waters located within the State of Arkansas:

Segment-reach	Waterbody name	Pollutant
08050001-022	Big Bayou	Siltation/turbidity.
08050001-022	Big Bayou	Chloride.
08050001-018	Boeuf River	Siltation/turbidity.
08050001-018	Boeuf River	Chloride.
08050001-018	Boeuf River	Sulfates.
08050001-018	Boeuf River	TDS.
08050001-019	Boeuf River	Siltation/turbidity.
08050001-019	Boeuf River	Chloride.
08050002-010	Oak Log Bayou	Siltation/turbidity.
08050002-010	Oak Log Bayou	Chloride.
08050002-010	Oak Log Bayou	TDS.
08050002-003	Bayou Macon	Siltation/turbidity.
08050002-006	Bayou Macon	Siltation/turbidity.

EPA requested the public to provide EPA with any significant data or information that may impact the 13 TMDLs at **Federal Register** Notice: Volume 70, Number 6, pages 1710-1711 (January 10, 2005). No comments were received.

Dated: March 3, 2005.

Miguel I. Flores,
Director, Water Quality Protection Division,
Region 6.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[FRL-7883-2]

Clean Water Act Section 303(d): Availability of 1 Total Maximum Daily Loads (TMDL)

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice of availability.

SUMMARY: This notice announces the availability for comment of the administrative record file for 1 TMDL and the calculations for this TMDL prepared by EPA Region 6 for waters listed in the State of Arkansas under section 303(d) of the Clean Water Act (CWA). This TMDL was completed in response to the lawsuit styled *Sierra Club, et al. v. Browner, et al.*, No. LR-C-99-114.

DATES: Comments must be submitted in writing to EPA on or before April 11, 2005.

ADDRESSES: Comment on the 1 TMDL should be sent to Diane Smith, Environmental Protection Specialist, Water Quality Protection Division, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Region 6, 1445 Ross Ave., Dallas, TX 75202-2733, facsimile (214) 665-7373, or e-mail: smith.diane@epa.gov. For further information, contact Diane Smith at (214) 665-2145. Documents from the administrative record file for this TMDL are available for public inspection at this address as well. Documents from the administrative

record file may be viewed at <http://www.epa.gov/region6/water/artmdl.htm>, or obtained by calling or writing Ms. Smith at the above address. Please contact Ms. Smith to schedule an inspection.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Diane Smith at (214) 665-2145.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: In 1999, five Arkansas environmental groups, the Sierra Club, Federation of Fly Fishers, Crooked Creek Coalition, Arkansas Fly Fishers, and Save our Streams (plaintiffs), filed a lawsuit in Federal Court against the EPA, styled *Sierra Club, et al. v. Browner, et al.*, No. LR-C-99-114. Among other claims, plaintiffs alleged that EPA failed to establish Arkansas TMDLs in a timely manner. EPA proposes this TMDL pursuant to a consent decree entered in this lawsuit.

EPA Seeks Comments on 1 TMDL

By this notice EPA is seeking comment on the following 1 TMDL for waters located within the State of Arkansas:

Segment-reach	Waterbody name	Pollutant
11140302-003	Days Creek	Nitrate.

EPA requests that the public provide to EPA any water quality related data and information that may be relevant to the calculations for this 1 TMDL. EPA will review all data and information submitted during the public comment period and revise the TMDL and determinations where appropriate. EPA will then forward the TMDL to the Arkansas Department of Environmental

Quality (ADEQ). The ADEQ will incorporate the TMDL into its current water quality management plan.

Dated: March 3, 2005.

Miguel I. Flores,
Director, Water Quality Protection Division,
Region 6.

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FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION

Notice of Public Information Collection(s) Being Reviewed by the Federal Communications Commission, Comments Requested

March 2, 2005.

SUMMARY: The Federal Communications Commission, as part of its continuing