

TENNESSEE (REGION 4)

A Snapshot of Tennessee's TMDL Program (August 2008)

The Basics

Key Agency/Department & website

Tennessee Department of Environment and Conservation
<http://state.tn.us/environment/wpc/tmdl/>

TMDL Program Structure/Placement

Housed in Division of Water Pollution Control

By the Numbers

Number of Impaired Waters 957

Number of Causes of Impairment 1,826

Top Five Causes of Impairment

1. Habitat Alteration
2. Sediment
3. Pathogens
4. Nutrients
5. Organic Enrichment/Oxygen Depletion

Approximate Number of TMDLs Developed Annually 100-125

Total Number of TMDLs Approved (1995 to present, incl. any est'd by EPA) 897

Total Number of TMDLs Approved in 2005/2006/2007 97/384/100

2008 303d/Integrated Report Submission Status (Date) 5/1/2008

Approximate Number of FTEs Working on TMDL Issues 10

TMDLs

Under Consent Decree to Develop TMDLs? Y

Broad-Scale? (*e.g.*, watershed, multi-jurisdictional, etc.)

Non-TMDL Options

Use of Non-TMDL Options to Address Impaired Waters?

Funding

Approximate Annual Budget for TMDL Program unknown

Primary Source(s) of TMDL Program Funding federal 106 funds;
state funds

TMDL Implementation

TMDL Implementation Required? N

Innovations

Example(s) of Any Innovative Approach(es) Employed/
TMDLs that Represent a Particular Achievement

Links to TN TMDLs:
<http://state.tn.us/environment/wpc/tmdl/>

Barriers

Top Three Barriers to TMDL Development

None identified

Top Three Barriers to TMDL Implementation

1. Resources-\$\$
2. Resources-\$\$
3. Resources-\$\$