

Delaware River Basin Commission

Status Update: Stage 2 PCB TMDLs for the Delaware Estuary

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Key Timelines for Stage 2 PCB TMDLs

- ❑ Developed Implementation Strategy for Stage 2 PCB TMDLs – 2013
- ❑ DRBC submitted a draft report to EPA – March 2016
- ❑ Draft report to states for review/comment – June 2017
- ❑ All three states, DRBC, EPA Regions 2 and 3 met and agreed on the revised implementation approach (Single Action Level) – August 2018

See presentations at the TAC on 6/18/2019:

https://www.nj.gov/drbc/library/documents/TAC/06182019/Stage2_PCB_TMDLs_update_suk.pdf

Activities in 2020 for Stage 2 PCB TMDLs

□ On May 14, 2020,

- EPA Regions 2 and 3 distributed the revised Stage 2 PCB TMDLs report to respective estuarine states for review.
- Requested to provide preferable option for the establishment of Stage 2 PCB TMDLs;
 1. Develop a separate, revised PCB TMDL independently through its own process; or,
 2. Formally request that EPA finalize this draft TMDL on behalf of the Basin states.

DRAFT STAGE 2 TOTAL MAXIMUM DAILY LOADS
FOR POLYCHLORINATED BIPHENYLS (PCBs)
FOR THE



Region II & Region III

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Activities in 2020 – 21 for Stage 2 PCB TMDLs

- ❑ By September 2020, all estuary states responded supporting EPA's finalization of the Stage 2 PCB TMDLs with additional comments:
 - Commitment from EPA and DRBC to develop a Comprehensive Implementation Strategy for other sources like MS4s.
 - Continue to support a PMP implementation approach.
 - Other additional comments on the revised draft report.

- ❑ EPA Regions II & III and DRBC will meet on 2/3/2021 to finalize the responses to comments and discuss the next steps.



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