

## **Highlights of the Draft 2010 305(b)/303(d) List of Waters**

### Summary of Waters in Different Assessment Categories (Supporting, Not Supporting and Assessment Pending)

- 2290 waters are included in the 2010 List of Waters – 993 supporting; 1,094 not supporting; 203 assessment pending
- 142 new waters were added to the 2010 List of Waters – 68 supporting; 51 not supporting; 23 assessment pending
- 54 waters on the 2008 305b/303d list moved from “Assessment Pending” or “Not Supporting” to “Supporting” in 2010.
- 46 waters on the 2008 305b/303d list moved from “Supporting” or “Assessment Pending” to “Not Supporting” in 2010.

### Removal of Pollutants

- Portions of Lake Lanier (Browns Bridge, Lanier Bridge and Flowery Branch) and 1 portion of Lake Allatoona (Allatoona Creek Arm) were moved from Not Supporting to Assessment Pending. Each of these waters had 1 exceedence of the chlorophyll a criteria in the last 5 years.
- Lake Water F. George, one section of Lake Lanier (Dam Pool) and one section of Allatoona Lake (Mid-Lake) were moved from Assessment Pending to Supporting because no violations of the chlorophyll a criteria occurred in the last 5 years.
- Temperature was removed as a pollutant on the section of the Chattahoochee River between Peachtree Creek and Utoy Creek based on the removal of the discharge from Plant Atkinson, the installation of cooling towers at Plant McDonough and new data indicating compliance with the criteria.
- FCG(PCBs) was removed as a contaminate from a section of the Ocmulgee River in Twiggs and Houston Counties.

### Addition of Pollutants

- Bio (F) was added to 56 waters based on Fish Index of Biotic Integrity studies in the Blue Ridge of Georgia (which includes the Coosa and Tennessee River Basins).
- FCG(PCBs) – was added as an impairment to two sections of the Coosawattee River in Gordon and Murray Counties. Toxaphene like Chlorinated Camphenes in fish tissue was added as an impairment to a section of the Back River in Glynn County.
- Priority Pollutants were added to 8 waters.

- Phosphorus was added as an impairment to Carters Lake based on an exceedence of the average annual phosphorus load.

#### Miscellaneous

- A new section of Lake Lanier (Little River Branch) was assessed as supporting and this section of the lake was included on the list of waters for the first time in 2010.