

PUBLIC NOTICE

**GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH
ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH ADMINISTRATION
BUREAU OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY
WATER QUALITY DIVISION
51 N STREET, N.E., 5th Floor
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20002**

Subject: Triennial Review of Water Quality Standards – Request for Comments

As required by federal law and regulation, Clean Water Act, section 303(c)(1) and 40 CFR 131.20, every three years each State must review, with public participation, its water quality standards. The water quality standards consist of designated uses for each water body and criteria to support those uses.

This Notice is issued to obtain comments for consideration in the upcoming Proposed Rulemaking of the revised D.C Surface Water Quality Standards. The Department is beginning this review by publishing this Notice in the D.C. Register. A hard copy of the 2003 District of Columbia Surface Water Quality Standards is on file in the Martin Luther King, Jr. Library, Washington, D.C. 20001, for your review during normal business hours. In addition, the D.C. Surface Water Quality Standards may also be obtained by calling the Water Quality Division at (202) 535-2190 between the hours of 9:00 am and 3:00 pm. The Department welcomes your comments on the water quality standards for this Triennial Review.

Persons wishing to submit comments may do so by mail to the above address, within 45 days of this Public Notice, attention Ms. Jerusalem Bekele, Program Manager. Such written comments are to be clearly marked "2003 D.C. WQS Triennial Review Comments" and mailed by July 14, 2003. The Department will consider the comments received to revise the Water Quality standards for this Triennial Review.

