

CHAPTER 62-304
TOTAL MAXIMUM DAILY LOADS

62-304.200 Definitions.

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As used in this chapter:

(1) Total Maximum Daily Loads (TMDLs) shall be defined as set forth in s.403.031, F.S.

Specific Authority 403.061, 403.067, FS.

Law Implemented 403.031, 403.061, 403.062, 403.067, FS.

History – New _____.

62-304.700 Total Maximum Daily Loads in the Southeast Florida District.

(1) Lake Okeechobee

(a) The Total Maximum Daily Load for total phosphorus for Lake Okeechobee shall be 140 metric tons, including atmospheric deposition. Attainment of the TMDL shall be calculated using a 5-year rolling average of the monthly loads calculated from measured flow and concentration values.

1. Implementation shall be in accordance with 373.4595 F.S.

2. Management strategies shall be implemented in a phased approach.

3. This TMDL shall be re-evaluated and, if appropriate, either increased or decreased through subsequent rulemaking as new research and data become available, but no later than 5 years from the effective date of this rule.

(b) The TMDL for Lake Okeechobee is allocated to the sum of the nonpoint source inflows to the Lake.

(c) For purposes of this TMDL, nonpoint sources of phosphorus shall be controlled in accordance with the provisions of 403.067 F.S. and 373.4595 F.S. Nonpoint sources of phosphorus that comply with the provisions of 373.4595 F.S. shall be deemed to be in compliance with this TMDL.

(d) For purposes of this subsection, all existing direct inflows into Lake Okeechobee shall be considered to be nonpoint sources.

Specific Authority 403.061, 403.067, FS.

Law Implemented 373.4595, 403.061, 403.062, 403.067, FS.

History – New _____.