

# Minnesota's TMDL Commitments

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### Federal Fiscal Year 2025–2026

Minnesota's Total Maximum Daily Load Studies Prioritization Framework 2022–2032 (Framework) describes Minnesota's long-term total maximum daily load (TMDL) program priorities, a rationale for selecting those priorities, and a general strategy for implementing the goals of the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA's) 2022–2032 Vision. Accompanying the Framework is this list of two-year TMDL commitments, which reflect the TMDL program priorities laid out in the Framework. The Framework and TMDL Commitments are posted on the Minnesota Pollution Control Agency's (MPCA's) [TMDL and WRAPS guidance](#)<sup>1</sup> web page.

This biennial TMDL commitment list includes TMDLs that MPCA commits to being approved by EPA and TMDLs that MPCA commits to having in progress during the two-year period (October 1, 2024–September 30, 2026).

#### Minnesota's federal fiscal year 2025–2026 TMDL commitments

Abbreviations: Aq cons—aquatic consumption; Aq life—aquatic life; Aq rec—aquatic recreation; TSS—total suspended solids; *E. coli*—*Escherichia coli*; R—River

Basin	HUC 8	Major watershed name	Water body ID	Water body name (description)	Affected designated use	Pollutant or stressor	Year added to list	TMDL commitment
Lake Superior	04010201	St. Louis R	04010201-503	St. Louis R (Cloquet R to Pine R)	Aq cons	Mercury in fish	1998	In development
Lake Superior	04010201	St. Louis R	04010201-503	St. Louis R (Cloquet R to Pine R)	Aq cons	Mercury in water	1998	In development
Lake Superior	04010201	St. Louis R	04010201-504	St. Louis R (Stoney Bk to Cloquet R)	Aq cons	Mercury in fish	1998	In development
Lake Superior	04010201	St. Louis R	04010201-505	St. Louis R (Artichoke R to Stoney Bk)	Aq cons	Mercury in fish	1998	In development
Lake Superior	04010201	St. Louis R	04010201-506	St. Louis R (East Savanna R to Artichoke R)	Aq cons	Mercury in fish	1998	In development
Lake Superior	04010201	St. Louis R	04010201-507	St. Louis R (Floodwood R to East Savanna R)	Aq cons	Mercury in fish	1998	In development
Lake Superior	04010201	St. Louis R	04010201-508	St. Louis R (Whiteface R to Floodwood R)	Aq life	TSS	2022	In development
Lake Superior	04010201	St. Louis R	04010201-508	St. Louis R (Whiteface R to Floodwood R)	Aq cons	Mercury in fish	1998	In development
Lake Superior	04010201	St. Louis R	04010201-509	Whiteface R (Paleface R to St Louis R)	Aq life	TSS	2022	In development
Lake Superior	04010201	St. Louis R	04010201-510	St. Louis R (West Two R to Swan R)	Aq cons	Mercury in fish	1998	In development
Lake Superior	04010201	St. Louis R	04010201-511	St. Louis R (Embarrass R to East Two R)	Aq cons	Mercury in fish	1998	In development

<sup>1</sup> <https://www.pca.state.mn.us/business-with-us/tmdl-and-wraps-guidance>

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Lake Superior	04010201	St. Louis R	04010201-511	St. Louis R (Embarrass R to East Two R)	Aq cons	Mercury in water	2016	In development
Lake Superior	04010201	St. Louis R	04010201-515	St. Louis R (Scanlon Dam to Thomson Reservoir)	Aq cons	Mercury in fish	1998	In development
Lake Superior	04010201	St. Louis R	04010201-515	St. Louis R (Scanlon Dam to Thomson Reservoir)	Aq cons	Mercury in water	2022	In development
Lake Superior	04010201	St. Louis R	04010201-516	St. Louis R (Potlatch Dam to Scanlon Dam)	Aq cons	Mercury in fish	1998	In development
Lake Superior	04010201	St. Louis R	04010201-517	St. Louis R (Pine R to Knife Dam)	Aq cons	Mercury in fish	1998	In development
Lake Superior	04010201	St. Louis R	04010201-517	St. Louis R (Pine R to Knife Dam)	Aq cons	Mercury in water	2016	In development
Lake Superior	04010201	St. Louis R	04010201-523	St. Louis R (Thomson Reservoir to Fond du Lac Dam)	Aq cons	Mercury in fish	1998	In development
Lake Superior	04010201	St. Louis R	04010201-524	St. Louis R (Knife Dam to Potlatch Dam)	Aq cons	Mercury in fish	1998	In development
Lake Superior	04010201	St. Louis R	04010201-525	St. Louis R (Swan R to Whiteface R)	Aq cons	Mercury in fish	1998	In development
Lake Superior	04010201	St. Louis R	04010201-526	St. Louis R (Partridge R to Embarrass R)	Aq cons	Mercury in fish	1998	In development
Lake Superior	04010201	St. Louis R	04010201-530	Superior Bay (Mouth of St Louis Bay at Blatnik bridge to Duluth Ship Channel)	Aq cons	Mercury in fish	1998	In development
Lake Superior	04010201	St. Louis R	04010201-530	Superior Bay (Mouth of St Louis Bay at Blatnik bridge to Duluth Ship Channel)	Aq cons	Mercury in water	1998	In development
Lake Superior	04010201	St. Louis R	04010201-531	Superior Bay (Mouth of St Louis Bay at Blatnik bridge to Superior Entry)	Aq cons	Mercury in fish	1998	In development
Lake Superior	04010201	St. Louis R	04010201-531	Superior Bay (Mouth of St Louis Bay at Blatnik bridge to Superior Entry)	Aq cons	Mercury in water	1998	In development
Lake Superior	04010201	St. Louis R	04010201-534	West Two R (McQuade Lk outlet to St Louis R)	Aq cons	Mercury in water	2016	In development
Lake Superior	04010201	St. Louis R	04010201-552	Partridge R (Headwaters to St Louis R)	Aq cons	Mercury in fish	2016	In development
Lake Superior	04010201	St. Louis R	04010201-552	Partridge R (Headwaters to St Louis R)	Aq cons	Mercury in water	2016	In development
Lake Superior	04010201	St. Louis R	04010201-554	St. Louis R (East Two R to West Two R)	Aq cons	Mercury in fish	2004	In development
Lake Superior	04010201	St. Louis R	04010201-555	East Two R (Unnamed branch to St Louis R)	Aq cons	Mercury in water	2016	In development

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Lake Superior	04010201	St. Louis R	04010201-557	Swan R (Confluence of East and West Swan R to St Louis R)	Aq cons	Mercury in water	2016	In development
Lake Superior	04010201	St. Louis R	04010201-558	East Swan R (Barber Cr to Swan R)	Aq rec	<i>E. coli</i>	2022	In development
Lake Superior	04010201	St. Louis R	04010201-560	Floodwood R (Headwaters (Floodwood Lk 69-0884-00) to St Louis R)	Aq rec	<i>E. coli</i>	2022	In development
Lake Superior	04010201	St. Louis R	04010201-560	Floodwood R (Headwaters (Floodwood Lk 69-0884-00) to St Louis R)	Aq cons	Mercury in water	2016	In development
Lake Superior	04010201	St. Louis R	04010201-561	East Savanna R (Headwaters (Wolf Lk 01-0019-00) to St Louis R)	Aq rec	<i>E. coli</i>	2022	In development
Lake Superior	04010201	St. Louis R	04010201-579	Embarrass R (Headwaters to Embarrass Lk)	Aq cons	Mercury in water	2022	In development
Lake Superior	04010201	St. Louis R	04010201-631	St. Louis R (Headwaters (Seven Beaver Lk 69-0002-00) to T58 R13W S36, west line)	Aq cons	Mercury in fish	1998	In development
Lake Superior	04010201	St. Louis R	04010201-644	St. Louis R (T58 R13W S35, east line to Partridge R)	Aq cons	Mercury in fish	1998	In development
Lake Superior	04010201	St. Louis R	04010201-644	St. Louis R (T58 R13W S35, east line to Partridge R)	Aq cons	Mercury in water	2016	In development
Lake Superior	04010201	St. Louis R	04010201-963	Stony Creek (Unnamed cr to Unnamed cr)	Aq cons	Mercury in water	2016	In development
Lake Superior	04010201	St. Louis R	04010201-A41	Trimble Creek (-92.13 47.647 to Embarrass R)	Aq cons	Mercury in water	2022	In development
Lake Superior	04010201	St. Louis R	04010201-B50	Unnamed creek (Mud Lake Creek) (Wetland to Unnamed cr)	Aq cons	Mercury in water	2022	In development
Lake Superior	04010201	St. Louis R	04010201-B66	St. Louis R (Fond du Lac dam to beginning of estuary)	Aq cons	Mercury in fish	1998	In development
Lake Superior	04010201	St. Louis R	04010201-B66	St. Louis R (Fond du Lac dam to beginning of estuary)	Aq cons	Mercury in water	1998	In development
Lake Superior	04010201	St. Louis R	09-0001-00	Thomson Reservoir (Lake or Reservoir)	Aq cons	Mercury in fish	1998	In development
Lake Superior	04010201	St. Louis R	69-0144-00	Otto (Lake or Reservoir)	Aq cons	Mercury in fish	1998	In development
Lake Superior	04010201	St. Louis R	69-0249-00	Colby (Lake or Reservoir)	Aq cons	Mercury in fish	1998	In development
Lake Superior	04010201	St. Louis R	69-0375-00	Whiteface Reservoir (Lake or Reservoir)	Aq cons	Mercury in fish	1998	In development
Lake Superior	04010201	St. Louis R	69-0412-01	Upper Comstock (Lake or Reservoir)	Aq cons	Mercury in fish	2002	In development

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Lake Superior	04010201	St. Louis R	69-0412-02	Lower Comstock (Lake or Reservoir)	Aq cons	Mercury in fish	2002	In development
Lake Superior	04010201	St. Louis R	69-0420-00	South Twin (Lake or Reservoir)	Aq cons	Mercury in fish	2006	In development
Lake Superior	04010201	St. Louis R	69-0426-00	Loon (Lake or Reservoir)	Aq cons	Mercury in fish	1998	In development
Lake Superior	04010201	St. Louis R	69-0434-01	Sabin (Lake or Reservoir)	Aq cons	Mercury in fish	1998	In development
Lake Superior	04010201	St. Louis R	69-0434-01	Sabin (Lake or Reservoir)	Aq cons	Mercury in water	2014	In development
Lake Superior	04010201	St. Louis R	69-0434-02	Wynne (Lake or Reservoir)	Aq cons	Mercury in fish	1998	In development
Lake Superior	04010201	St. Louis R	69-0434-02	Wynne (Lake or Reservoir)	Aq cons	Mercury in water	2014	In development
Lake Superior	04010201	St. Louis R	69-0495-00	Long (Lake or Reservoir)	Aq cons	Mercury in fish	2018	In development
Lake Superior	04010201	St. Louis R	69-0496-00	Embarrass (Lake or Reservoir)	Aq cons	Mercury in fish	2002	In development
Lake Superior	04010201	St. Louis R	69-0529-00	Strand (Lake or Reservoir)	Aq cons	Mercury in fish	2002	In development
Lake Superior	04010201	St. Louis R	69-0565-00	Esquagama (Lake or Reservoir)	Aq cons	Mercury in fish	1998	In development
Lake Superior	04010201	St. Louis R	69-0660-00	Ely (Lake or Reservoir)	Aq cons	Mercury in fish	1998	In development
Lake Superior	04010201	St. Louis R	69-0717-00	Elbow (Lake or Reservoir)	Aq cons	Mercury in fish	2010	In development
Lake Superior	04010201	St. Louis R	69-1291-02	St. Louis Bay (Lake or Reservoir)	Aq cons	Mercury in fish	1998	In development
Lake Superior	04010201	St. Louis R	69-1291-02	St. Louis Bay (Lake or Reservoir)	Aq cons	Mercury in water	1998	In development
Lake Superior	04010201	St. Louis R	69-1291-03	Spirit Lake (Lake or Reservoir)	Aq cons	Mercury in fish	2004	In development
Lake Superior	04010201	St. Louis R	69-1291-04	Upper Estuary (Lake or Reservoir)	Aq cons	Mercury in fish	1998	In development
Lake Superior	04010201	St. Louis R	69-1291-04	Upper Estuary (Lake or Reservoir)	Aq cons	Mercury in water	1998	In development
Lake Superior	04010202	Cloquet R	04010202-501	Cloquet R (Us-kab-wan-ka R to St Louis R)	Aq cons	Mercury in fish	2016	In development
Lake Superior	04010202	Cloquet R	04010202-501	Cloquet R (Us-kab-wan-ka R to St Louis R)	Aq cons	Mercury in water	2016	In development
Lake Superior	04010202	Cloquet R	04010202-502	Cloquet R (Beaver R to Us-kab-wan-ka R)	Aq cons	Mercury in fish	2016	In development
Lake Superior	04010202	Cloquet R	04010202-504	Cloquet R (Island Lake Reservoir to Beaver R)	Aq cons	Mercury in fish	2016	In development
Lake Superior	04010202	Cloquet R	38-0539-00	Cloquet (Lake or Reservoir)	Aq cons	Mercury in fish	1998	In development
Lake Superior	04010202	Cloquet R	38-0540-00	Sink (Lake or Reservoir)	Aq cons	Mercury in fish	2018	In development
Lake Superior	04010202	Cloquet R	69-0030-00	White (Lake or Reservoir)	Aq cons	Mercury in fish	2020	In development
Lake Superior	04010202	Cloquet R	69-0113-00	Big Bear (Lake or Reservoir)	Aq cons	Mercury in fish	2004	In development
Lake Superior	04010202	Cloquet R	69-0131-00	Alden (Lake or Reservoir)	Aq cons	Mercury in fish	2004	In development

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Lake Superior	04010202	Cloquet R	69-0143-00	Wolf (Lake or Reservoir)	Aq cons	Mercury in fish	1998	In development
Lake Superior	04010202	Cloquet R	69-0372-01	Island Lake Rsvr(W. Basin) (Lake or Reservoir)	Aq cons	Mercury in fish	1998	In development
Lake Superior	04010202	Cloquet R	69-0372-02	Island Lake Rsvr(E. Basin) (Lake or Reservoir)	Aq cons	Mercury in fish	1998	In development
Lake Superior	04010202	Cloquet R	69-0511-00	Grand (Lake or Reservoir)	Aq cons	Mercury in fish	2012	In development
Upper Mississippi R	07010108	Long Prairie	21-0051	Henry (Lake or Reservoir)	Aq rec	Nutrients	2014	In development
Upper Mississippi R	07010108	Long Prairie	21-0051	Henry (Lake or Reservoir)	Aq life	Chloride	2010	In development
Upper Mississippi R	07010108	Long Prairie	21-0053	Agnes (Lake or Reservoir)	Aq rec	Nutrients	2014	In development
Upper Mississippi R	07010108	Long Prairie	21-0053	Agnes (Lake or Reservoir)	Aq life	Chloride	2010	In development
Upper Mississippi R	07010206	Mississippi R - Twin Cities	10-0043-02	Lundsten (Lake or Reservoir)	Aq rec	Nutrients	2024	In development
Upper Mississippi R	07010206	Mississippi R - Twin Cities	10-0046-00	Church (Lake or Reservoir)	Aq rec	Nutrients	2018	In development
Minnesota R Basin	07020004	Minnesota R - Yellow Medicine	07020004-502	Yellow Medicine R (Stream)	Aq rec	<i>E. coli</i>	2024	In development
Minnesota R Basin	07020004	Minnesota R - Yellow Medicine	07020004-522	Chetomba Creek (Stream)	Aq rec	<i>E. coli</i>	2024	In development
Minnesota R Basin	07020004	Minnesota R - Yellow Medicine	07020004-542	Yellow Medicine R, North Branch (Stream)	Aq rec	<i>E. coli</i>	2024	In development
Minnesota R Basin	07020004	Minnesota R - Yellow Medicine	07020004-792	County Ditch 90 (Stream)	Aq rec	<i>E. coli</i>	2024	In development
Minnesota R Basin	07020004	Minnesota R - Yellow Medicine	34-0180-01	Willmar Lake (Main Bay) (Lake or Reservoir)	Aq rec	Nutrients	2018	In development
Minnesota R Basin	07020005	Chippewa R	07020005-539	County Ditch 60 (Chippewa R) (T130 R39W S14, east line to Upper Hunt Lk)	Aq life	<i>E. coli</i>	2022	In development

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Minnesota R Basin	07020005	Chippewa R	07020005-726	Dry Weather Creek (80th Ave NW to Chippewa R)	Aq life	TSS	2020	In development
Minnesota R Basin	07020005	Chippewa R	21-0264-00	Stowe (Lake or Reservoir)	Aq rec	Nutrients	2022	In development
Minnesota R Basin	07020005	Chippewa R	21-0305-00	Venus (Lake or Reservoir)	Aq rec	Nutrients	2022	In development
Minnesota R Basin	07020005	Chippewa R	34-0321-00	Swenson (Lake or Reservoir)	Aq rec	Nutrients	2022	In development
Minnesota R Basin	07020005	Chippewa R	34-0336-00	East Sunburg (Lake or Reservoir)	Aq rec	Nutrients	2022	In development
Minnesota R Basin	07020005	Chippewa R	34-0359-00	Sunburg (Lake or Reservoir)	Aq rec	Nutrients	2022	In development
Minnesota R Basin	07020005	Chippewa R	61-0043-00	Goose (Lake or Reservoir)	Aq rec	Nutrients	2022	In development
Minnesota R Basin	07020005	Chippewa R	61-0095-00	Steenerson (Lake or Reservoir)	Aq rec	Nutrients	2012	In development
Minnesota R Basin	07020011	Le Sueur R	07020011-501	Le Sueur R (Maple R to Blue Earth R)	Aq life	Nutrients	2016	EPA approval
Minnesota R Basin	07020011	Le Sueur R	07020011-504	Little Cobb R (Bull Run Cr to Cobb R)	Aq life	Nutrients	2016	EPA approval
Minnesota R Basin	07020011	Le Sueur R	07020011-556	Cobb R (T107 R26W S30, west line to Le Sueur R)	Aq life	Nutrients	2016	EPA approval
Minnesota R Basin	07020011	Le Sueur R	07020011-576	Iosco Creek (Silver Cr to T108 R23W S7, west line)	Aq rec	<i>E. coli</i>	2022	EPA approval
Cedar R	07080201	Cedar R	07080201-504	Robert's Creek (Unnamed cr to Cedar R)	Aq life	TSS	2022	In development
Cedar R	07080201	Cedar R	07080201-524	Dobbins Creek (Headwaters to T103 R17W S31, west line)	Aq rec	<i>E. coli</i>	2022	In development
Cedar R	07080201	Cedar R	07080201-524	Dobbins Creek (Headwaters to T103 R17W S31, west line)	Aq life	TSS	2022	In development
Red R of the North	09020104	Upper Red R of the North	09020104-550	Wolverton Creek (RR bridge to Red R)	Aq life	TSS	2020	In development
Red R of the North	09020106	Buffalo R	09020106-622	Hay Creek (-96.12 46.902 to Stinking Lk)	Aq life	TSS	2022	In development
Red R of the North	09020106	Buffalo R	14-0049-00	Lee (Lake or Reservoir)	Aq rec	Nutrients	2012	In development