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Dear Mr. Mitchell:

On March 31, 2010, the Kansas Department of Health and Environment (KDHE) submitted the Kansas (KS) 2010 Section (§) 303(d) list as required by § 303(d)(1) of the Clean Water Act (CWA). With today's letter, we have completed the review of the KS 2010 § 303(d) list of impaired waters. The list identifies classified stream segments, lakes, and wetlands of the state which are impaired and for which Total Maximum Daily Loads (TMDLs) shall be developed.

EPA received, in a separate submittal, the KS 2010 CWA § 305(b) report on April 1, 2010. Today's action is on the KS 2010 § 303(d) list.

As Director of the Water, Wetlands and Pesticides Division, I am charged with the responsibility of reviewing and approving or disapproving state 303(d) lists under CWA § 303(c). I am hereby approving the KS 2010 § 303(d) list for the following:

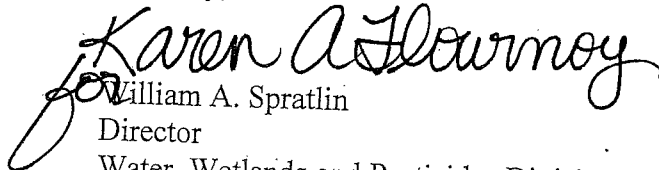
- 1387 water bodies (1311 stream segments and 76 lakes) for which a pollutant has caused, is suspected of causing, or is projected to cause an impairment or threat of impairment of one or more designated uses and the establishment of a TMDL is required.
- 3045 water body/ pollutant combinations (2492 stream segment and 103 lake pollutant combinations).

The enclosure to this letter provides a more detailed description of EPA's approval rationale.

I congratulate you and your staff for the completion of the KS 2010 § 303(d) list and submission process. The task of putting together this list required a significant amount of staff resources and involved a complex evaluation and assessment of water quality data. We look forward to working with KDHE on the development of the KS 2012 § 303(d) list.

If you have any questions regarding this matter please contact John DeLashmit,  
Chief, Water Quality Management Branch, at (913) 551-7821 or delashmit.john@epa.gov.

Sincerely,

  
for William A. Spratlin  
Director  
Water, Wetlands and Pesticides Division

Enclosure

cc: Mr. Karl Mueldener, KDHE (w/ enclosure, w/o tables)  
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Ms. Yvonne Anderson, KDHE (w/ enclosure, w/o tables)  
Mr. John Goodin, EPA Headquarters (w/ enclosure, w/o tables)