

UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

REGION 5 77 WEST JACKSON BOULEVARD CHICAGO, IL 60604-3590

REPLY TO THE ATTENTION OF: W-16J

June 30, 2022

Sanjay Sofat, Chief Illinois Environmental Protection Agency Bureau of Water 1021 North Grand Avenue East P.O. Box 19276 Springfield, IL 62794-9276

Subject: Approval of the Illinois 2020/2022 303(d) List of Impaired Waters

Dear Mr. Sofat:

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency has completed its review of the Illinois combined 2020 and 2022 303(d) list of impaired waters still requiring Total Maximum Daily Loads, which was submitted on June 1, 2022. Based on this review, EPA determined that the State's combined 2020 and 2022 303(d) list meets the requirements of Section 303(d) of the Clean Water Act and EPA's implementing regulations. Therefore, EPA approves Illinois's combined 2020 and 2022 303(d) list. The statutory and regulatory requirements, and EPA's review of Illinois's conformance with each requirement, are described in the enclosed decision document. Appendix 1 of the enclosed decision document contains the approved 303(d) list.

EPA appreciates the time and effort by the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency to complete the State's 2020 and 2022 303(d) list. If you have any questions, please contact Julianne Socha at 312-886-4436 or socha.julianne@epa.gov.

Sincerely,

Tera L. Fong Division Director, Water Division

Enclosure

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