

**NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY OF INITIAL DRAFT TMDL DOCUMENT**  
**SUGAR AND MCALPINE CREEKS**  
**YORK AND LANCASTER COUNTIES**

Pollutant of Concern: Recreational use *E. coli* bacteria at water quality monitoring site CW-036, hydrologic unit code 0305010301. You may submit comments on the draft total maximum daily load (TMDL) document in writing no later than 5:00 pm January 14, 2026, to Banu Varlik, S.C. Dept. of Environmental Services, Bureau of Water, 2600 Bull St, Columbia, S.C. 29201, or by email to [banu.varlik@des.sc.gov](mailto:banu.varlik@des.sc.gov). You may also contact Susan Waldner at [susan.waldner@des.sc.gov](mailto:susan.waldner@des.sc.gov). Comments will be considered in development of the final TMDL and addressed in a responsiveness summary to be provided to all commenters. Copies of the TMDL document can be obtained from the SCDES web site: <https://des.sc.gov/community/community-engagement/environmental-public-notices>, by calling (803) 898-3701, or by writing or e-mailing the address above. The purpose of a TMDL is to calculate the amount of pollutant reduction necessary for an impaired waterbody to achieve and maintain water quality standards. Section 303(d)(1) of the Clean Water Act (CWA), 33 U.S.C. § 1313(d)(1)(C), and the implementing regulation of the US Environmental Protection Agency (EPA, 40 C.F.R. § 130.7(c) (1), require the establishment of TMDLs for waters identified as impaired.