US EPA-APPROVED

TOTAL MAXIMUM DAILY LOAD (TMDL)

FOR THE

MAIN STEM OF THE LOWER RIO GRANDE
(FROM THE INTERNATIONAL BOUNDARY WITH MEXICO TO ELEPHANT BUTTE DAM)

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LIST OF ABBREVIATIONS

4Q3	4-Day, 3-year low-flow frequency
BLM	Bureau of Land Management
BOR	Bureau of Reclamation
BMP	Best management practices
CFR	Code of Federal Regulations
cfs	Cubic feet per second
cms	Cubic meters per second
CWA	Clean Water Act
^{o}C	Degrees Celcius
^{o}F	Degrees Farenheit
DOD	Department of Defense
FR	Forest Road
GIS	Geographic Information Systems
GPS	Global Positioning System
HUC	Hydrologic unit code
IBWC	International Boundary and Water Commission
LA	Load allocation
lbs/day	Pounds per Day
mg/L	Milligrams per Liter
mi^2	Square miles
mL	Milliliters
mm	Millimeters
MOS	Margin of safety
MOU	Memoranda of Understanding
MS4	Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System
MSGP	Multi Sector General Storm Water Permit
NM	New Mexico
NMAC	New Mexico Administrative Code
NMED	New Mexico Environment Department
NPDES	National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System
NPS	Nonpoint source
QAPP	Quality Assurance Project Plan
RFP	Request for proposal
SWPPP	Storm Water Pollution Prevention Plan
SWQB	Surface Water Quality Bureau
TMDL	Total maximum daily load
USEPA	U.S. Environmental Protection Agency
USFS	U.S. Forest Service
USGS	U.S. Geological Survey
WLA	Waste load allocation
WQCC	Water Quality Control Commission
WQS	Water quality standards (NMAC 20.6.4 as amended through February 16, 2006)
WRAS	Watershed Restoration Action Strategy
WWTP	Waste water treatment plant

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