**ATTAINSGEO 305(b) Assessed Waters by Assessed Uses**

**Location**: [http://www.epa.gov/waters/data/downloads.html#305(b) Waters As Assessed](http://www.epa.gov/waters/data/downloads.html%23305(b)%20Waters%20As%20Assessed)

**Entity Type Label:** ATTGEO\_305BUSES

**Entity Type Definition**: 305(b) Assessed Waters by Assessed Uses

**Entity Type Definition Source:** EPA ATTAINS

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| **Attribute Name** | **Definition\*** |
| **ASSESSMENT\_UNIT\_ID** | Unique ID assigned to each state waterbody or segment. The first two characters are the state abbreviation. The following characters are the water’s Waterbody System ID, another state-derived ID, or an arbitrary ID assigned by the state. This field is included for all entries. |
| **CYCLE\_YEAR** | The even-numbered year associated with the list or assessment (e.g., 1996, 1998, 2000). This field is included for all entries. |
| STATE | The state abbreviation (US Postal) for the state. This field is included for all entries. |
| IR\_STATUS | Flag (Y/N) indicating whether the state data submission is integrated or a separate 303(d) and 305(b). |
| AU\_WATERBODY\_REPORT | URL of EPA-hosted ATTAINS waterbody report. |
| ASSESSMENT\_UNIT\_NAME | Water name of the assessed waterbody (e.g., Mississippi River). This field is included for all entries. |
| ASSESSMENT\_STATUS | The state-reported attainment status of the water. The Water Status is calculated based on a review of all assessed designated uses. If all designated uses are fully supporting then the Water Status is "Good". If one designated use is not supporting, not attainable, or is partially supporting, then the Water Status is "Impaired". If the water is neither "Good" nor "Impaired" and at least one designated use is threatened, then the Water Status is "Threatened". For waters where no designated uses were assessed then the Water Status is NULL. |
| ASSESSMENT\_UNIT\_EPA\_CATEGORY | The overall integrated report category of the assessment unit reported by EPA:  Category 1: All designated uses are supported, no use is threatened;  Category 2: Available data and/or information indicate that some, but not all of the designated uses are supported;  Category 3: There is insufficient available data and/or information to make a use support determination;  Category 4: Available data and/or information indicate that at least one designated use is not being supported or is threatened, but a TMDL is not needed;  4a: A TMDL to address a specific segment/pollutant combination has been approved or established by EPA.  4b: A use impairment caused by a pollutant is being addressed by the state through other pollution control requirements.  4c: A use is impaired, but the impairment is not caused by a pollutant.  Category 5: Available data and/or information indicate that at least one designated use is not being supported or is threatened, and a TMDL is needed. |
| CYCLE\_LAST\_ASSESSED | Last cycle in which the assessment unit was assessed. |
| **AU\_USE\_ID** | Numeric ID assigned to the designated use. |
| AU\_USE\_DESC | State water quality standards specify which designated uses, such as recreation, aquatic life use support, or drinking water supply that individual waters should support. |
| AU\_PARENT\_USE\_ID | ID associated with the “parent” designated use. The parent designated use represents an EPA-assigned, general categorization for the specific, state-reported designated uses. |
| AU\_PARENT\_USE\_DESC | Designated use group name such as ‘Recreation’ or ‘Agricultural’. The parent designated use represents an EPA-assigned, general categorization for the specific, state-reported designated uses. |
| AU\_ATTAINMENT\_STATUS | Code for the attainment status for a particular assessment unit's designated use:  A: Not Attainable  F: Fully Supporting  I: Insufficient Information  N: Not Supporting  P: Partially Supporting  T: Threatened  X: Unassessed |
| SNAPSHOT\_DATE | Date of extraction from the ATTAINS system. |
| ESRI\_KEY | Convenience key provided to aid in join and relates activities in ESRI software. |
| OBJECTID | Unique numeric identifier used in ESRI software activities. |
| **\*** Definition source is EPA ATTAINS unless otherwise noted.  Attribute names in bold indicate participation in unique key. | |

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