

Integration Goal

By 2016, EPA and the States identify and coordinate implementation of key point source and nonpoint source control actions that foster effective integration across CWA programs, other statutory programs (e.g., CERCLA, RCRA, SDWA, CAA), and the water quality efforts of other Federal departments and agencies (e.g., Agriculture, Interior, Commerce) to achieve the water quality goals of each state.

Examples of EPA HQ Integration Efforts

- Clean Water Act programs
 - Nonpoint source program: Section 319 plans and 303(d) program synergies
 - NPDES permits: TMDL-permits workgroup
 - Water quality standards: Policy and implementation, e.g., 304(a) criteria
- Other cross-program efforts
 - Contaminated sediments: OW-OSWER-OECA Assistant Administrator memo
 - Prioritization tools: Recovery Potential Screening, WATERSCAPES
 - Data sharing: Water Quality Framework
- Federal agencies and other partnerships
 - USGS: Climate change hydrology portal
 - National Fish Habitat Partnership: Restoration/protection of fish-bearing waters