## APPENDIX A ASSESSMENT METHODOLOGY GUIDELINES FOR EVALUATING DESIGNATED USE STATUS OF MASSACHUSETTS SURFACE WATERS

The Clean Water Act (CWA) Section 305(b) water quality reporting process is an essential aspect of the Nation's water pollution control effort. It is the principal means by which EPA, Congress, and the public evaluate existing water quality, assess progress made in maintaining and restoring water quality, and determine the extent of remaining problems. By this process, states report on waterbodies within the context of meeting their designated uses. These uses include: *Aquatic Life, Fish Consumption, Drinking Water, Primary Contact Recreation, Secondary Contact Recreation, Shellfish Harvesting* and *Aesthetics*. Two subclasses of Aquatic Life are also designated in the Massachusetts Surface Water Quality Standards (SWQS): Cold Water Fishery – waters capable of sustaining a year-round population of cold water aquatic life, such as trout – and Warm Water Fishery – waters that are not capable of sustaining a year-round population of cold water aquatic life (MassDEP 1996).

The SWQS, summarized in Table A1, prescribe minimum water quality criteria to sustain the designated uses. Furthermore, these standards describe the hydrological conditions at which water quality criteria must be applied (MassDEP 1996). In rivers the lowest flow conditions at and above which aquatic life criteria must be applied are the lowest mean flow for seven consecutive days to be expected once in ten years (7Q10). In artificially regulated waters, the lowest flow conditions at which aquatic life criteria must be applied are the flow equal or exceeded 99% of the time on a yearly basis or another equivalent flow that has been agreed upon. In coastal and marine waters and for lakes, the Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection (MassDEP) will determine by on a case-by-case basis the most severe hydrological condition for which the aquatic life criteria must be applied.

The availability of appropriate and reliable scientific data and technical information is fundamental to the 305(b) reporting process. It is EPA policy (EPA Order 5360.1 CHG 1) that any individual or group performing work for or on behalf of EPA establish a quality system to support the development, review, approval, implementation, and assessment of data collection operations. To this end MassDEP describes its Quality System in an EPA-approved Quality Management Plan to ensure that environmental data collected or compiled by the MassDEP are of known and documented quality and are suitable for their intended use. For external sources of information, MassDEP requires the following: 1) an appropriate Quality Assurance Project Plan (QAPP) including a laboratory Quality Assurance /Quality Control (QA/QC) plan; 2) use of a state certified lab (or as otherwise approved by DEP for a particular analysis); and 3) sample data, QA/QC and other pertinent sample handling information documented in a citable report. This information will be reviewed by MassDEP to determine its validity and usability to assess water use support. Data use could be modified or rejected due to poor or undocumented QAPP implementation, lack of project documentation, incomplete reporting of data or information, and/or project monitoring objectives unsuitable for MassDEP assessment purposes.

EPA provides guidelines to states for making their use support determinations (EPA 1997 and 2002, Grubbs and Wayland III 2000 and Wayland III 2001). The determination of whether or not a waterbody supports each of its designated uses is a function of the type(s), quality and quantity of available current information. Although data/information older than five years are usually considered "historical" and used for descriptive purposes they can be utilized in the use support determination provided they are known to reflect the current conditions. While the water quality standards (Table A1) prescribe minimum water quality criteria to sustain the designated uses, numerical criteria are not available for every indicator of pollution. Best available guidance from available literature may be applied in lieu of actual numerical criteria (e.g., freshwater sediment data may be compared to *Guidelines for the Protection and Management of Aquatic Sediment Quality in Ontario* 1993 by D. Persaud, R. Jaagumagi and A. Hayton). Excursions from criteria due solely to "naturally occurring" conditions (e.g., low pH in some areas) do not constitute violations of the SWQS.

Each designated use within a given segment is individually assessed as *support* or *impaired*. When too little current data/information exist or no reliable data are available, the use is *not assessed*. In this report, however, if there is some indication that water quality impairment may exist, and it is not "naturally occurring", the use is identified with an "Alert Status". It is important to note that not all waters are

assessed. Many small and/or unnamed ponds, rivers, and estuaries have *never been assessed*; the status of their designated uses has never been reported to EPA in the Commonwealth's 305(b) Report or the Integrated List of Waters nor is information on these waters maintained in the waterbody system database (WBS) or the new assessment database (ADB).

Table A1. Summary of Massachusetts Surface Water Quality Standards (MassDEP 1996, MA DPH
2002, and FDA 2003).

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Dissolved Oxygen	Class A, Class B Cold Water Fishery (BCWF), and Class SA: $\geq$ 6.0 mg/L and $\geq$ 75% saturation unless background conditions are lower
exygen	Class B Warm Water Fishery (BWWF) and Class SB: $\geq$ 5.0 mg/L and $\geq$ 60% saturation unless
	background conditions are lower
	Class C: Not <5.0 mg/L for more than 16 of any 24-hour period and not <3.0 mg/L anytime unless
	background conditions are lower; levels cannot be lowered below 50% saturation due to a
	discharge
	<u>Class SC</u> : Not <5.0 mg/L for more than 16 of any 24-hour period and not <4.0 mg/L anytime unless background conditions are lower; and 50% saturation; levels cannot be lowered below
	50% saturation due to a discharge
Temperature	Class A: $\leq$ 68°F (20°C) and $\Delta$ 1.5°F (0.8°C) for Cold Water and $\leq$ 83°F (28.3°C) and $\Delta$ 1.5°F (0.8°C) for Warm Water.
	Class BCWF: $\leq 68^{\circ}$ F (20°C) and $\Delta 3^{\circ}$ F (1.7°C) due to a discharge
	Class BWWF: $\leq 83^{\circ}$ F (28.3°C) and $\Delta 3^{\circ}$ F (1.7°C) in lakes, $\Delta 5^{\circ}$ F (2.8°C) in rivers
	Class C and Class SC: $\leq$ 85°F (29.4°C) nor $\triangle$ 5°F (2.8°C) due to a discharge
	Class SA: $\leq 85^{\circ}F(29.4^{\circ}C)$ nor a maximum daily mean of $80^{\circ}F(26.7^{\circ}C)$ and $\Delta 1.5^{\circ}F(0.8^{\circ}C)$
	<u>Class SB</u> : <u>&lt;85°F</u> (29.4°C) nor a maximum daily mean of 80°F (26.7°C) and $\Delta$ 1.5°F (0.8°C)
	between July through September and $\Delta 4.0^{\circ}$ F (2.2°C) between October through June
рН	Class A, Class BCWF and Class BWWF: $6.5 - 8.3$ SU and $\Delta 0.5$ outside the background range.
	<u>Class C</u> : $6.5 - 9.0$ SU and $\Delta 1.0$ outside the naturally occurring range.
	Class SA and Class SB: $6.5 - 8.5$ SU and $\triangle 0.2$ outside the normally occurring range.
0	Class SC: $6.5 - 9.0$ SU and $\Delta 0.5$ outside the naturally occurring range.
Solids	All Classes: These waters shall be free from floating, suspended, and settleable solids in
	concentrations or combinations that would impair any use assigned to each class, that would cause aesthetically objectionable conditions, or that would impair the benthic biota or degrade the
	chemical composition of the bottom.
Color and	All Classes: These waters shall be free from color and turbidity in concentrations or combinations
Turbidity	that are aesthetically objectionable or would impair any use.
Oil and Grease	Class A and Class SA: Waters shall be free from oil and grease, petrochemicals and other
	volatile or synthetic organic pollutants.
	<u>Class SA:</u> Waters shall be free from oil and grease and petrochemicals.
	Class B, Class C, Class SB and Class SC: Waters shall be free from oil and grease,
	petrochemicals that produce a visible film on the surface of the water, impart an oily taste to the
	water or an oily or other undesirable taste to the edible portions of aquatic life, coat the banks or
Talaslo	bottom of the water course or are deleterious or become toxic to aquatic life.
Taste and Odor	Class A and Class SA: None other than of natural origin.
	<u>Class B, Class C, Class SB and Class SC</u> : None in such concentrations or combinations that are
	aesthetically objectionable, that would impair any use assigned to each class, or that would cause tainting or undesirable flavors in the edible portions of aquatic life.
Aesthetics	<u>All Classes</u> : All surface waters shall be free from pollutants in concentrations or combinations that
Acollicio	settle to form objectionable deposits; float as debris, scum or other matter to form nuisances;
	produce objectionable odor, color, taste or turbidity; or produce undesirable or nuisance species of
	aquatic life.
Toxic Pollutants	All Classes: All surface waters shall be free from pollutants in concentrations or combinations that
	are toxic to humans, aquatic life or wildlife The division shall use the recommended limit
	published by EPA pursuant to 33 USC 1251, 304(a) as the allowable receiving water
	concentrations for the affected waters unless a site-specific limit is established.
Nutrients	Shall not exceed the site-specific limits necessary to control accelerated or cultural eutrophication.
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△ criterion (referring to a change from natural background conditions) is applied to the effects of a permitted discharge.

Table A1 Continued. Summary of Massachusetts Surface Water Quality Standards (MassDEP 1996, MA DPH 2002, and FDA 2003).

DPH 2002, and FDA	2003).
Bacteria (MassDEP	Class A:
1996 and MA DPH	Fecal coliform bacteria:
2002)	An arithmetic mean of <20 cfu/100 ml in any representative set of samples and <10% of the
	samples >100 cfu/100 ml.
	Class B:
Class A criteria	
	At public bathing beaches, as defined by MA DPH, where <i>E. coli</i> is the chosen indicator:
apply to the Drinking	No single <i>E. coli</i> sample shall exceed 235 <i>E. coli</i> /100 ml and the geometric mean of the
Water Use.	most recent five <i>E. coli</i> samples within the same bathing season shall not exceed 126 <i>E. coli</i>
	/ 100 ml.
Class B and SB	At public bathing beaches, as defined by MA DPH, where <i>Enterococci</i> are the chosen indicator:
criteria apply to	No single Enterococci sample shall exceed 61 Enterococci /100 ml and the geometric mean
Primary Contact	of the most recent five Enterococci samples within same bathing season shall not exceed 33
Recreation Use	Enterococci /100 ml.
while Class C and	Current standards for other waters (not designated as bathing beaches), where fecal coliform
SC criteria apply to	bacteria are the chosen indicator:
Secondary Contact	Waters shall not exceed a geometric mean of 200 cfu/100 ml in any representative set of
Recreation Use.	samples, nor shall more than 10% of the samples exceed 400 cfu/100 ml. (This criterion
	may be applied on a seasonal basis at the discretion of the MassDEP.)
	<u>Class C:</u>
	Fecal coliform bacteria:
	Shall not exceed a geometric mean of 1,000 cfu/100 ml, nor shall 10% of the samples
	exceed 2,000 cfu/100 ml.
	Class SA:
	Fecal coliform bacteria:
	Waters designated shellfishing shall not exceed a geometric mean (most probable number
	(MPN) method) of 14 MPN/100 ml, nor shall more than 10% of the samples exceed 28
	MPN/100 ml, or other values of equivalent protection based on sampling and analytical
	methods used by the Massachusetts Division of Marine Fisheries and approved by the
	National Shellfish Sanitation Program in the latest version of the Guide for the Control of
	Molluscan Shellfish Areas (more stringent regulations may apply).
	At public bathing beaches, as defined by MA DPH, where <i>Enterococci</i> are the chosen indicator:
	No single Enterococci sample shall exceed 104 Enterococci /100 ml and the geometric
	mean of the five most recent Enterococci levels within the same bathing season shall not
	exceed 35 <i>Enterococci</i> /100 ml.
	Current standards for other waters (not designated as shellfishing areas or public bathing
	beaches), where fecal coliform bacteria are the chosen indicator:
	Waters shall not exceed a geometric mean of 200 cfu/100 ml in any representative set of
	samples, nor shall more than 10% of the samples exceed 400 cfu/100 ml. (This criterion
	may be applied on a seasonal basis at the discretion of the MassDEP.)
	Class SB:
	Fecal coliform bacteria:
	Waters designated for shellfishing shall not exceed a fecal coliform median or geometric
	mean (MPN method) of 88 MPN/100 ml, nor shall <10% of the samples exceed 260
	MPN/100 ml or other values of equivalent protection base on sampling and analytical
	methods used by the Massachusetts Shellfish Sanitation Program in the latest revision of
	the guide for the Control of Moluscan Shellfish (more stringent regulations may apply).
	At public bathing beaches, as defined by MA DPH, where <i>Enterococci</i> are the chosen indicator:
	No single Enterococci sample shall exceed 104 Enterococci /100 ml and the geometric
	mean of the most recent five Enterococci levels within the same bathing season shall not
	exceed 35 <i>Enterococci</i> /100 ml.
	Current standards for other waters (not designated as shellfishing areas or public bathing
	beaches), where fecal coliform bacteria are the chosen indicator:
	Waters shall not exceed a geometric mean of 200 cfu/100 ml in any representative set of
	samples, nor shall more than 10% of the samples exceed 400 cfu/100 ml. (This criterion
	may be applied on a seasonal basis at the discretion of the MassDEP.)
	Class SC:
	Fecal coliform bacteria:
	Shall not exceed a geometric mean of 1,000 cfu/100 ml, nor shall 10% of the samples
	exceed 2,000 cfu/100 ml.

# **DESIGNATED USES**

The Massachusetts Surface Water Quality Standards designate the most sensitive uses for which the surface waters of the Commonwealth shall be enhanced, maintained and protected. Each of these uses is briefly described below (MassDEP 1996):

- AQUATIC LIFE suitable habitat for sustaining a native, naturally diverse, community of aquatic flora and fauna. Two subclasses of aquatic life are also designated in the standards for freshwater bodies: Cold Water Fishery capable of sustaining a year-round population of cold water aquatic life, such as trout; Warm Water Fishery waters that are not capable of sustaining a year-round population of cold water aquatic life.
- *FISH CONSUMPTION* pollutants shall not result in unacceptable concentrations in edible portions of marketable fish or for the recreational use of fish, other aquatic life or wildlife for human consumption.
- DRINKING WATER used to denote those waters used as a source of public drinking water. They may
  be subject to more stringent regulation in accordance with the Massachusetts Drinking Water
  Regulations (310 CMR 22.00). These waters are designated for protection as Outstanding Resource
  Waters under 314 CMR 4.04(3).
- SHELLFISH HARVESTING (in SA and SB segments) Class SA waters in approved areas (Open Shellfish Areas) shellfish harvested without depuration shall be suitable for consumption; Class SB waters in approved areas (Restricted Shellfish Areas) shellfish harvested with depuration shall be suitable for consumption.
- *PRIMARY CONTACT RECREATION* suitable for any recreation or other water use in which there is prolonged and intimate contact with the water with a significant risk of ingestion of water. These include, but are not limited to, wading, swimming, diving, surfing and water skiing.
- SECONDARY CONTACT RECREATION suitable for any recreation or other water use in which contact with the water is either incidental or accidental. These include, but are not limited to, fishing, boating and limited contact incident to shoreline activities.
- AESTHETICS all surface waters shall be free from pollutants in concentrations or combinations that settle to form objectionable deposits; float as debris, scum or other matter to form nuisances; produce objectionable odor, color, taste or turbidity; or produce undesirable or nuisance species of aquatic life.
- AGRICULTURAL AND INDUSTRIAL suitable for irrigation or other agricultural process water and for compatible industrial cooling and process water.

The guidance used to assess the Aquatic Life, Fish Consumption, Drinking Water, Shellfish Harvesting, Primary and Secondary Contact Recreation and Aesthetics uses follows.

# AQUATIC LIFE USE

This use is suitable for sustaining a native, naturally diverse, community of aquatic flora and fauna. The results of biological (and habitat), toxicological, and chemical data are integrated to assess this use. The nature, frequency, and precision of the MassDEP's data collection techniques dictate that a weight of evidence be used to make the assessment, with biosurvey results used as the final arbiter of borderline cases. The following chart provides an overview of the guidance used to assess the status (support or impaired) of the *Aquatic Life Use*.

Variable	Support	Impaired
	Data available clearly indicates support or minor modification of the biological community. Excursions from chemical criteria (Table A1) not frequent or prolonged	There are frequent or severe violations of chemical criteria, presence of acute toxicity, or a moderate or severe modification of the biological community.
	and may be tolerated if the biosurvey results demonstrate support.	
BIOLOGY		
Rapid Bioassessment Protocol (RBP) III*	Non/Slightly impacted	Moderately or Severely Impacted
Fish Community	Best Professional Judgment (BPJ)	BPJ
Habitat and Flow	BPJ	Dewatered streambed due to artificial regulation or channel alteration, BPJ
Eelgrass Bed Habitat (Howes et al. 2003)	Stable (No/minimal loss), BPJ	Loss/decline, BPJ
Non-native species	BPJ	Non-native species present, BPJ
Plankton/Periphyton	No/infrequent algal blooms	Frequent and/or prolonged algal blooms
TOXICITY TESTS**	1	1
Water Column/Ambient	>75% survival either 48 hr or 7-day exposure	<75% survival either 48 hr or 7-day exposure
Sediment	≥75% survival	<75% survival
CHEMISTRY-WATER**		
Dissolved oxygen (DO)/Percent saturation (MassDEP 1996, EPA 1997)	Infrequent excursion from criteria (Table A1), BPJ (minimum of three samples representing critical period)	Frequent and/or prolonged excursion from criteria [river and shallow lakes - exceedances >10% of representative measurements; deep lakes (with hypolimnion) - exceedances in the hypolimnetic area >10% of the surface area during maximum oxygen depletion].
pH (MassDEP 1996, EPA 1999a)	Infrequent excursion from criteria (Table A1)	Criteria exceeded >10% of measurements.
Temperature (MassDEP 1996,EPA 1997)	Infrequent excursion from criteria (Table A1) <sup>1</sup>	Criteria exceeded >10% of measurements.
Toxic Pollutants (MassDEP 1996, EPA 1999a) Ammonia-N (MassDEP 1996, EPA 1999b) Chlorine (MassDEP 1996, EPA 1999a)	Infrequent excursion from criteria (Table A1) Ammonia is pH and temperature dependent <sup>2</sup> 0.011 mg/L (freshwater) or 0.0075 mg/L (saltwater) total residual chlorine (TRC) <sup>3</sup>	Frequent and/or prolonged excursion from criteria (exceeded >10% of measurements).
CHEMISTRY-SEDIMENT**		
Toxic Pollutants (Persaud <i>et al.</i> 1993)	Concentrations < Low Effect Level (L-EL), BPJ	Concentrations $\geq$ Severe Effect Level (S-EL) <sup>4</sup> , BPJ
CHEMISTRY-TISSUE		
PCB – whole fish (Coles 1998)	_500 µg/kg wet weight	BPJ
DDT (Environment Canada 1999)	≤14.0 µg/kg wet weight	BPJ
PCB in aquatic tissue (Environment Canada 1999)	≤0.79 ng TEQ/kg wet weight	BPJ

\*RBP II analysis may be considered for assessment decision on a case-by-case basis, \*\*For identification of impairment, one or more of the following variables may be used to identify possible causes/sources of impairment. NPDES facility compliance with whole effluent toxicity test and other limits, turbidity and suspended solids data, nutrient (nitrogen and phosphorus) data for water column/sediments. <sup>1</sup>Maximum daily mean T in a month (minimum six measurements evenly distributed over 24-hours) less than criterion. <sup>2</sup> Saltwater is temperature dependent only. <sup>3</sup> The minimum quantification level for TRC is 0.05 mg/L. <sup>4</sup>For the purpose of this report, the S-EL for total polychlorinated biphenyl compounds (PCB) in sediment (which varies with Total Organic Carbon (TOC) content) with 1% TOC is 5.3 ppm while a sediment sample with 10% TOC is 53 ppm.

Note: National Academy of Sciences/National Academy of Engineering (NAS/NAE) guideline for maximum organochlorine concentrations (i.e., total PCB) in fish tissue for the protection of fish-eating wildlife is 500µg/kg wet weight (ppb, not lipid-normalized). PCB data (tissue) in this report are presented in µg/kg wet weight (ppb) and are not lipid-normalized to allow for direct comparison to the NAS/NAE guideline.

# FISH CONSUMPTION USE

Pollutants shall not result in unacceptable concentrations in edible portions of marketable fish or for the recreational use of fish, other aquatic life or wildlife for human consumption. The assessment of this use is made using the most recent list of Fish Consumption Advisories issued by the Massachusetts Executive Office of Health and Human Services, Department of Public Health (MA DPH), Bureau of Environmental Health Assessment (MA DPH 2005 and Krueger 2006). The MA DPH list identifies waterbodies where elevated levels of a specified contaminant in edible portions of freshwater species pose a health risk for human consumption. Hence, the Fish Consumption Use is assessed as non-support in these waters.

In July 2001, MA DPH issued new consumer advisories on fish consumption and mercury contamination (MA DPH 2001).

- The MA DPH "...is advising pregnant women, women of childbearing age who may become pregnant, nursing mothers and children under 12 years of age to refrain from eating the following marine fish; shark, swordfish, king mackerel, tuna steak and tilefish. In addition, MA DPH is expanding its previously issued statewide fish consumption advisory which cautioned pregnant women to avoid eating fish from all freshwater bodies due to concerns about mercury contamination, to now include women of childbearing age who may become pregnant, nursing mothers and children under 12 years of age (MA DPH 2001)."
- 2. Additionally, MA DPH "...is recommending that pregnant women, women of childbearing age who may become pregnant, nursing mothers and children under 12 years of age limit their consumption of fish not covered by existing advisories to no more than 12 ounces (or about 2 meals) of cooked or uncooked fish per week. This recommendation includes canned tuna, the consumption of which should be limited to 2 cans per week. Very small children, including toddlers, should eat less. Consumers may wish to choose to eat light tuna rather than white or chunk white tuna, the latter of which may have higher levels of mercury (MA DPH 2001)."

Other statewide advisories that MA DPH has previously issued and are still in effect are as follows (MA DPH 2001):

- 1. Due to concerns about chemical contamination, primarily from polychlorinated biphenyl compounds (PCB) and other contaminants, no individual should consume lobster tomalley from any source. Lobster tomalley is the soft green substance found in the tail and body section of the lobster.
- 2. Pregnant and breastfeeding women and those who are considering becoming pregnant should not eat bluefish due to concerns about PCB contamination in this species.

The following is an overview of EPA's guidance used to assess the status (support or impaired) of the *Fish Consumption Use*. Because of the statewide advisory no waters can be assessed as support for the *Fish Consumption Use*. Therefore, if no site-specific advisory is in place, the *Fish Consumption Use* is not assessed.

Variable	Support	Impaired
	No restrictions or bans in effect	There is a "no consumption" advisory or ban in effect for the general population or a sub- population for one or more fish species or there is a commercial fishing ban in effect.
MA DPH Fish Consumption Advisory List	Not applicable, precluded by statewide advisory (Hg)	Waterbody on MA DPH Fish Consumption Advisory List

Note: MA DPH's statewide advisory does not include fish stocked by the state Division of Fisheries and Wildlife or farm-raised fish sold commercially.

## DRINKING WATER USE

The term *Drinking Water Use* denotes those waters used as a source of public drinking water. These waters may be subject to more stringent regulation in accordance with the Massachusetts Drinking Water Regulations (310 CMR 22.00). They are designated for protection as Outstanding Resource Waters in 314 CMR 4.04(3). MassDEP's Drinking Water Program (DWP) has primacy for implementing the provisions of the federal Safe Drinking Water Act (SDWA). Except for suppliers with surface water sources for which a waiver from filtration has been granted (these systems also monitor surface water quality) all public drinking water supplies are monitored as finished water (tap water). Monitoring includes the major categories of contaminants established in the SDWA: bacteria, volatile and synthetic organic compounds, inorganic compounds and radionuclides. The DWP maintains current drinking supply monitoring data. The suppliers currently report to MassDEP and EPA the status of the supplies on an annual basis in the form of a consumer confidence report (http://yosemite.epa.gov/ogwdw/ccr.nsf/Massachusetts). Below is EPA's guidance to assess the status (support or impaired) of the drinking water use.

Variable	Support	Impaired
	No closures or advisories (no contaminants with confirmed exceedances of maximum contaminant levels, conventional treatment is adequate to maintain the supply).	Has one or more advisories or more than conventional treatment is required or has a contamination-based closure of the water supply.
Drinking Water Program (DWP) Evaluation	See note below	See note below

Note: While this use is not assessed in this report, information on drinking water source protection and finish water quality is available at <a href="http://www.mass.gov/dep/water/drinking.htm">http://www.mass.gov/dep/water/drinking.htm</a> and from local public water suppliers.

# SHELLFISHING USE

This use is assessed using information from the Department of Fish and Game's Division of Marine Fisheries (DMF). A designated shellfish growing area is an area of potential shellfish habitat. Growing areas are managed with respect to shellfish harvest for direct human consumption, and comprise at least one or more classification areas. The classification areas are the management units, and range from being approved to prohibited (described below) with respect to shellfish harvest. Shellfish areas under management closures are *not assessed*. Not enough testing has been done in these areas to determine whether or not they are fit for shellfish harvest, therefore, they are closed for the harvest of shellfish.

Variable	<b>Support</b> SA Waters: Approved <sup>1</sup> SB Waters: Approved <sup>1</sup> , Conditionally Approved <sup>2</sup> or Restricted <sup>3</sup>	<i>Impaired</i> SA Waters: Conditionally Approved <sup>2</sup> , Restricted <sup>3</sup> , Conditionally Restricted <sup>4</sup> , or Prohibited <sup>5</sup> SB Waters: Conditionally Restricted <sup>4</sup> or Prohibited <sup>5</sup>
DMF Shellfish Project Classifica Area Information (MA DFG 2000		Reported by DMF

NOTE: Designated shellfish growing areas may be viewed using the MassGIS datalayer available from MassGIS at <a href="http://www.mass.gov/mgis/dsga.htm">http://www.mass.gov/mgis/dsga.htm</a>. This coverage currently reflects classification areas as of July 1, 2000.

 <sup>1</sup> Approved - "...open for harvest of shellfish for direct human consumption subject to local rules and regulations..." An approved area is open all the time and closes only due to hurricanes or other major coastwide events.
 <sup>2</sup> Conditionally Approved - "...subject to intermittent microbiological pollution..." During the time the area is open, it

<sup>2</sup> **Conditionally Approved** - "...subject to intermittent microbiological pollution..." During the time the area is open, it is "...for harvest of shellfish for direct human consumption subject to local rules and regulations..." A conditionally approved area is closed some of the time due to runoff from rainfall or seasonally poor water quality. When open, shellfish harvested are treated as from an approved area.

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shellfish to a less contaminated area. <sup>4</sup> Conditionally Restricted - "...subject to intermittent microbiological pollution..." During the time area is restricted, it is only open for "the harvest of shellfish with depuration subject to local rules and state regulations." A conditionally restricted area is closed some of the time due to runoff from rainfall or seasonally poor water quality. When open, only soft-shell clams may be harvested by specially licensed diggers (Master/Subordinate Diggers) and transported to the DMF Shellfish Purification Plant for depuration (purification).

<sup>5</sup> Prohibited - Closed for harvest of shellfish.

# PRIMARY CONTACT RECREATION USE

This use is suitable for any recreational or other water use in which there is prolonged and intimate contact with the water with a significant risk of ingestion of water during the primary contact recreation season (1 April to 15 October). These include, but are not limited to, wading, swimming, diving, surfing and water skiing. The chart below provides an overview of the guidance used to assess the status (support or impaired) of the *Primary Contact Recreation Use*. Excursions from criteria due to natural conditions are not considered impairment of use.

Variable	Support	Impaired
	Criteria are met, no aesthetic conditions that preclude the use	Frequent or prolonged violations of criteria and/or formal bathing area closures, or severe aesthetic conditions that preclude the use
Bacteria (105 CMR 445.000) Minimum Standards for Bathing Beaches State Sanitary Code) (MassDEP 1996)	At "public bathing beach" areas: Formal beach postings/advisories neither frequent nor prolonged during the swimming season (the number of days posted or closed cannot exceed 10% during the locally operated swimming season).	At "public bathing beach" areas: Formal beach closures/postings >10% of time during swimming season (the number of days posted or closed exceeds 10% during the locally operated swimming season).
	Other waters: Samples* collected during the primary contact season must meet criteria (Table A1).	Other waters: Samples* collected during the primary contact season do not meet the criteria (Table A1).
	Shellfish Growing Area classified as "Approved" by DMF.	
settle to form objectionable of	All surface waters shall be free from pollutants leposits; float as debris, scum or other matter to or produce undesirable or nuisance [growth ou	o form nuisances; produce objectionable
Odor, oil and grease, color and turbidity, floating matter	Narrative "free from" criteria met or excursions neither frequent nor prolonged, BPJ.	Narrative "free from" criteria not met - objectionable conditions either frequent and/or prolonged, BPJ.
Transparency (MA DPH 1969)	Public bathing beach and lakes – Secchi disk depth $\geq$ 1.2 meters ( $\geq$ 4') (minimum of three samples representing critical period).	Public bathing beach and lakes - Secchi disk depth <1.2 meters (< 4') (minimum of three samples representing critical period).
Nuisance organisms	No overabundant growths (i.e., blooms) that render the water aesthetically objectionable or unusable, BPJ.	Overabundant growths (i.e., blooms and/or non-native macrophyte growth dominating the biovolume) rendering the water aesthetically objectionable and/or unusable, BPJ.

\* Data sets to be evaluated for assessment purposes must be representative of a sampling location (at least five samples per station recommended) over the course of the primary contact season. Samples collected on one date from multiple stations on a river are not considered adequate to assess this designated use. Because of low sample frequency (i.e., less than ten samples per station) an impairment decision will not be based on a single sample exceedance (i.e., the geometric mean of five samples is <200 cfu/100 ml but one of the five sample exceeds 400 cfu/100 ml). The method detection limit (MDL) will be used in the calculation of the geometric mean when data are reported as less than the MDL (e.g. use 20 cfu/100 ml if the result is reported as <20 cfu/100 ml). Those data reported as too numerous to count (TNTC) will not be used in the geometric mean calculation; however frequency of TNTC sample results should be presented.

# SECONDARY CONTACT RECREATION USE

This use is suitable for any recreation or other water use in which contact with the water is either incidental or accidental. These include, but are not limited to, fishing, boating and limited contact incident to shoreline activities. Following is an overview of the guidance used to assess the status (support or impaired) of the *Secondary Contact Use*. Excursions from criteria due to natural conditions are not considered impairment of use.

Variable	Support	Impaired
	Criteria are met, no aesthetic conditions that preclude the use	Frequent or prolonged violations of criteria, or severe aesthetic conditions that preclude the use
Fecal Coliform Bacteria (MassDEP 1996)	Other waters: Samples* collected must meet the Class C or SC criteria (see Table A1).	Other waters: Samples* collected do not meet the Class C or SC criteria (see Table A1).
Aesthetics (MassDEP 1996) - All surface waters shall be free from pollutants in concentrations or combinations that settle to form objectionable deposits; float as debris, scum or other matter to form nuisances; produce objectionable odor, color, taste or turbidity; or produce undesirable or nuisance [growth or amount] species of aquatic life		
Odor, oil and grease, color and turbidity, floating matter	Narrative "free from" criteria met or excursions neither frequent nor prolonged, BPJ.	Narrative "free from" criteria not met - objectionable conditions either frequent and/or prolonged, BPJ.
Transparency (MA DPH 1969)	Public bathing beach and lakes – Secchi disk depth $\geq$ 1.2 meters ( $\geq$ 4') (minimum of three samples representing critical period).	Public bathing beach and lakes - Secchi disk depth <1.2 meters (< 4') (minimum of three samples representing critical period).
Nuisance organisms	No overabundant growths (i.e., blooms) that render the water aesthetically objectionable or unusable, BPJ.	Overabundant growths (i.e., blooms and/or non-native macrophyte growth dominating the biovolume) rendering the water aesthetically objectionable and/or unusable, BPJ.

\*Data sets to be evaluated for assessment purposes must be representative of a sampling location (at least five samples per station recommended) over time. Because of low sample frequency (i.e., less than ten samples per station) an impairment decision will not be based on a single sample exceedance. Samples collected on one date from multiple stations on a river are not considered adequate to assess this designated use.

# **AESTHETICS USE**

All surface waters shall be free from pollutants in concentrations or combinations that settle to form objectionable deposits; float as debris, scum or other matter to form nuisances; produce objectionable odor, color, taste or turbidity; or produce undesirable or nuisance species of aquatic life. The aesthetic use is closely tied to the public health aspects of the recreational uses (swimming and boating). Below is an overview of the guidance used to assess the status (support or impaired) of the *Aesthetics Use*.

Variable	Support Narrative "free from" criteria met	Impaired Objectionable conditions frequent and/or prolonged
Odor, oil and grease, color and turbidity, floating matter	Narrative "free from" criteria met or excursions neither frequent nor prolonged, BPJ.	Narrative "free from" criteria not met - objectionable conditions either frequent and/or prolonged, BPJ.
Transparency (MA DPH 1969)	Public bathing beach and lakes – Secchi disk depth $\geq$ 1.2 meters ( $\geq$ 4') (minimum of three samples representing critical period).	Public bathing beach and lakes - Secchi disk depth <1.2 meters (< 4') (minimum of three samples representing critical period).
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## INTRODUCTION

This memorandum presents water quality and ancillary data that resulted from a water quality survey performed in the North Coastal Drainage Area (Figure 1) in 2002 by the Massachusetts Division of Watershed Management (DWM). Results of additional sampling to support the DWM's TMDL and fish toxics monitoring programs are reported elsewhere (MassDEP 2004, 2005c). Consistent with the DWM's general approach to watershed monitoring to meet defined programmatic objectives, water quality sampling was performed once a month in May, June, July, August and September at 11 freshwater and 9 tidally-influenced stations located on a total of 18 different named streams. *In situ* dissolved oxygen (including pre-dawn), temperature, conductivity, salinity and pH measurements were taken at all survey locations. Grab samples were taken for chemical and bacteriological analyses according to the regimen summarized in Table 1. All surveys were conducted in accordance with the *Quality Assurance Project Plan for 2002 Monitoring in the Charles, Housatonic, Hudson, North Coastal and Ten Mile Watersheds* ("2002 QAPP")(MassDEP 2002). Figure 2, depicts the locations of the 2002 sampling sites.

## STUDY AREA DESCRIPTION

The North Coastal Drainage Area (Figure 1) is located in northeastern Massachusetts where it is bordered by the Ipswich Watershed to the west and by the Boston Harbor (Mystic) Watershed to the south. In its northernmost reaches it contains parts of the extensive Hampton and Seabrook saltmarshes, bordering the Merrimack River. Progressing southward, Cape Ann provides some of the most distinctive rocky features of the Massachusetts coastline. Further south the coastline consists of peninsulas interspersed with embayments, pockets of salt marsh, and estuaries with offshore rocky islands. The Rumney Marshes, which includes all or portions of the Pines and Saugus Rivers and Diamond Creek, are located at the southern extreme of the watershed. The Saugus River estuary is a large and historically degraded saltwater ecosystem with vast areas of wildlife habitat.

The North Coastal Drainage Area occupies much of the coastal region of Massachusetts' north shore. It extends from Salisbury to the city of Revere and comprises 168 square miles distributed over all or parts of 26 Massachusetts communities representing portions of Suffolk and Essex counties as well as one in New Hampshire. These are Salisbury, Amesbury, Revere, Everett, Malden, Melrose, Saugus, Stoneham, Reading, Wakefield, Lynnfield, Lynn, Nahant, Swampscott, Marblehead, Salem, Peabody, Danvers, Beverly, Manchester, Wenham, Hamilton, Essex, Ipswich, Gloucester, and Rockport. A small portion of Seabrook, New Hampshire is also included in the North Coastal Drainage Area. While the communities in the southern portions of the drainage area are the most urban in character, almost all of the municipalities are densely populated.

## **PROJECT OBJECTIVES**

The goal of the North Coastal Drainage Area Year Two monitoring survey was to obtain information that meets the following DWM programmatic objectives and watershed-specific sub-objectives, as set forth in the 2002 QAPP:

- 1. Evaluate specific waterbodies for support of designated uses as defined in Section 305(b) of the Clean Water Act and to determine if State water quality standards are being met.
  - Monitor the water quality (bacteria, chemistry, nutrients, etc.) of five previously unassessed and fifteen previously assessed streams.
  - Evaluate aquatic life use support by performing macroinvertebrate, periphyton, fish population, and habitat evaluations at eight different stations in the watershed.
- 2. Provide quality assured data for use by the Division of Watershed Management in developing Total Maximum Daily Loads (TMDLs).
  - Evaluate four 303(d)-listed ponds for nutrients and/or noxious aquatic plant growth to provide data for the development of total phosphorous TMDLs.
  - Monitor the water quality of seven 303(d) listed streams to help determine if TMDLs need to be developed.

- 3. Screen fish to provide data to the Massachusetts Department of Public Health for public health risk assessment due to fish tissue contaminants (heavy metals, polychlorinated biphenyls (PCB's), and pesticides).
  - Evaluate the concentration of heavy metals, PCB's, and pesticides in fish tissue from two established fisheries in the basin.
- 4. Provide quality assured E.Coli data, in light of the potential for new State freshwater criteria.
  - Provide *E.Coli*, Enterococci and fecal coliform data from 13 freshwater stream segments in the basin.

While most of the goals for monitoring in the North Coastal Drainage Area were met during the course of the DWM 2002 surveys, the biological monitoring was not completed as originally called for in the QAPP (see second bullet under Goal 1 above). First, only four sites were visited, not eight as planned, and only habitat assessments and macroinvertebrate sampling were accomplished. Furthermore, the macroinvertebrate samples were not processed due to laboratory constraints. Habitat scoring sheets for the four sites are on file at the DWM Office in Worcester.



Station Number	Waterbody	Location	May 6	May 7	May 8	May 9	June 10	June 11	June 12	July 15	July 16	July 17	July 18
SB01	Shute Brook	Upstream from Central Street, Saugus	H, B, N, SS	н			H, B, N, SS	н		H, B, N, SS	Н		
BP01	Bennetts Pond Brook	At mall entrance south off Lynn Fells Parkway, Saugus	H, B, N, SS	Н			H, B, N, SS	Н		H, B, N, SS	Н		
AL01	Alewife Brook	Upstream from stormdrain at Apple Street, Essex	H, B, N, SS	Н			H, B, N, SS	н		H, B, N, SS	Н		
TL01*	Unnamed Tributary "Town Line Brook"	At northern end of Beth Israel cemetery, Fuller Street, Malden			H, B, N, SS	Н			H, B, N, SS			H, B, N, SS	Н
CR01	Crane River	Ash Street, Danvers	H, B, N, SS	Н			H, B, N, SS	н		H, B, N, SS	Н		
FF00*	Frost Fish Brook	Downstream at Route 62, Danvers	H, B, N, SS	Н					H, B, N, SS			H, B, N, SS	Н
GB01	Goldthwait Brook	Foster Street, Peabody	H, B, N, SS	Н			H, B, N, SS	н		H, B, N, SS	Н		
SR04A	Saugus River	Vernon Street/Main Street, Wakefield/Lynnfield	H, B, N, SS	Н			H, B, N, SS	н		H, B, N, SS	Н		
SR01B	Saugus River	Elm Street, Saugus	H, B, N, SS	Н			H, B, N, SS	н		H, B, N, SS	Н		
WA00*	Waters River	Water Street (Rte. 35), Danvers			H, B, N, SS	Н			H, B, N, SS			H, B, N, SS	Н
FR01A*	Forest River	Loring Avenue, Salem			H, B, N, SS	Н			H, B, N, SS			H, B, N, SS	Н
DR01*	Danvers River	Kernwood Street, Beverly/Salem			H, B, N, SS	Н			H, B, N, SS			H, B, N, SS	Н
PB03*	Proctor Brook	Grove Street, Salem	H, B, N, SS	Н					H, B, N, SS			H, B, N, SS	Н
CB01	Causeway Brook	Lincoln Street, Manchester	H, B	Н			Н, В	н		H, B	Н		
SM03	Cat Brook	Lincoln Street, Manchester	H, B	Н			Н, В	н		H, B	Н		
CR02	Crane Brook	Pine Street, Danvers	H, B	Н			Н, В	н		H, B	Н		
CR03	Beaver Brook	Holten Street, Danvers	H, B	н			H, B	Н		H, B	Н		
ER01*	Essex River	Route 133 (Main Street), Essex			H, B	Н			H, B			H, B	н
MR01*	Mill River	Downstream at Route 127 (Washington Street), Gloucester			H, B	Н			H, B			H, B	н
SR00*	Saugus River	800 ft. upstream of Route 107, Saugus			H, B	Н			H, B			H, B	н

Table 1. 2002 North Coastal Water Quality Sampling Matrix – Station Locations and Analytical Coverage. May – June – July

Note: B = bacteria (fecal coliform, *E. coli*, Enterococcus); SS = total suspended solids; N = nutrients (ammonia, total phosphorus); H = DO, pH, temperature, specific conductance \* denotes a tidally influenced sampling site

Station Number	Waterbody	Location	Aug 12	Aug 13	Aug 14	Aug 15	Sept 6	Sept 16	Sept 17	Sept 18	Sept 19
SB01	Shute Brook	Upstream from Central Street, Saugus	H, B, N, SS	Н				H, B, N, SS	Н		
BP01	Bennetts Pond Brook	At mall entrance south off Lynn Fells Parkway, Saugus	H, B, N, SS	н				H, B, N, SS	н		
AL01	Alewife Brook	Upstream from stormdrain at Apple Street, Essex	H, B, N, SS	н				H, B, N, SS	н		
TL01*	Unnamed Tributary "Town Line Brook"	At northern end of Beth Israel cemetery, Fuller Street, Malden			B, N, SS	Н				H, B, N, SS	
CR01	Crane River	Ash Street, Danvers	H, B, N, SS	Н				H, B, N, SS	Н		
FF00*	Frost Fish Brook	Downstream at Route 62, Danvers			H, B, N, SS		Н			H, B, N, SS	Н
GB01	Goldthwait Brook	Foster Street, Peabody	H, B, N, SS	Н				H, B, N, SS	Н		
SR04A	Saugus River	Vernon Street/Main Street, Wakefield/Lynnfield	H, B, N, SS	Н				H, B, N, SS	Н		
SR01B	Saugus River	Elm Street, Saugus	H, B, N, SS	Н				H, B, N, SS	Н		
WA00*	Waters River	Water Street (Rte. 35), Danvers			H, B, N, SS	Н	Н			H, B, N, SS	Н
FR01A*	Forest River	Loring Avenue, Salem			H, B, N, SS	Н	Н			H, B, N, SS	Н
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PB03*	Proctor Brook	Grove Street, Salem			H, B, N, SS	Н	Н			H, B, N, SS	Н
CB01	Causeway Brook	Lincoln Street, Manchester	Н, В	Н				Н, В	Н		
SM03	Cat Brook	Lincoln Street, Manchester	Н, В	Н				Н, В	Н		
CR02	Crane Brook	Pine Street, Danvers	H, B	Н				H, B	Н		
CR03	Beaver Brook	Holten Street, Danvers	H, B	Н				H, B	Н		
ER01*	Essex River	Route 133 (Main Street), Essex			H, B	Н	Н			H, B	н
MR01*	Mill River	Downstream at Route 127 (Washington Street), Gloucester			H, B	Н	Н			Н, В	Н
SR00*	Saugus River	800 ft. upstream of Route 107, Saugus			H, B	н	Н			H, B	н

 Table 1 (Cont.)
 2002 North Coastal Water Quality Sampling Matrix – Station Locations and Analytical Coverage.
 August – September

<u>Note</u>: B = bacteria (fecal coliform, *E. coli*, Enterococcus); SS = total suspended solids; N = nutrients (ammonia, total phosphorus); H = DO, pH, temperature, specific conductance \* denotes a tidally influenced sampling site



Figure 2: 2002 Water Quality Sampling Stations in the North Coastal Drainage Area

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## FIELD AND ANALYTICAL METHODS

Information pertaining to station location, rationale, and objectives is available in the 2002 QAPP (MassDEP 2002). Procedures used for water sample collecting and handling are described in *Sample Collection Techniques for DWM Surface Water Quality Monitoring* (MassDEP 2001a). The Wall Experiment Station (WES) in Lawrence, MA supplied all sample bottles and field preservatives, which were prepared according to the WES *Laboratory Quality Assurance Plan and Standard Operating Procedures* (MassDEP 2001b).

*In situ* measurements were made with a multiprobe in accordance with the *Standard Operating Procedure for the Hydrolab*® *Series 3/Series 4 Multiprobe* (MassDEP 2001c). Measurements included dissolved oxygen, percent saturation, pH, conductivity, temperature, and total dissolved solids. Grab samples were also collected and sent to WES where they were analyzed for low-level total phosphorus (TP), ammonia as nitrogen (NH<sub>3</sub>-N), total suspended solids (TSS), and *E. coli* and fecal coliform bacteria. Since sampling stations in this watershed included saltwater stations, an effort was made to time the sampling events at those stations with ebbing tides to minimize tidal influence on the sample water quality. All analytical methods employed are presented in Table 2.

During each sampling event DWM personnel recorded a number of field observations for each site to facilitate the interpretation of the analytical data. Observations pertaining to weather and tidal conditions, observed uses, potential pollution sources, water color and odor, presence/absence of objectionable deposits (trash and debris and scum), percentage of periphyton/algae/aquatic plants covering the sampling reach, and riparian vegetation were recorded on DWM field sheets.

	Method *	MDL **	RDL **
In Situ Water Quality Analytes (DWM)			
Hydrolab® Multiprobe Series 3	DWM SOP (CN 004.1)	NA	NA
Water Quality Analytes (WES)			
Total Phosphorus	SM 4500-P-E	0.005 mg/L	0.015 mg/L
TSS	SM 2540 D	1.0 mg/L	1.0 mg/L
NH3-N	EPA 350.1	0.02 mg/L	0.04 mg/L
Fecal Coliform ***	SM 9222-D	6 CFU/100ml	6 CFU/100ml
E. coli ***	EPA modified 1103.1	6 CFU/100ml	6 CFU/100ml
Enterococci***	EPA 1600	6 CFU/100ml	6 CFU/100ml

Table 2. WES/DWM Analytical Methods and Typical Detection Limits for 2002 Water Quality
Analytes

"\* " = "Methods for Chemical Analysis of Water and Wastes", Environmental Protection Agency, Environmental Monitoring Systems Laboratory – Cincinnati (EMSL-CI), EPA-600/4-79-020, Revised March 1983 and 1979 where applicable; Standard Methods, Examination of Water and Wastewater, 20<sup>th</sup> edition

"\*\* " = WES reports results down to the MDL with a qualifier upon request

" \*\*\* " = MDL and RDL not listed for fecal, E. coli and Enterococcus results; 6 CFUs/100 mls was the practical RDL for WES, as no results were reported below 6 (these were reported as "<6")

"NA " = Not Applicable

## QUALITY ASSURANCE AND QUALITY CONTROL

Procedures used were consistent with the prevailing DWM sampling protocols that are described in *Sample Collection Techniques for DWM Surface Water Quality Monitoring* (MassDEP 2001a). For all water quality surveys, quality control samples (field blanks and sample splits) were taken at a minimum of one each per analyte per crew per survey. All water quality and bacteria samples were delivered to the WES laboratory for analysis.

DWM quality assurance and database management staff reviewed lab data reports and all multi-probe

data. The data were validated and finalized using procedures presented in *Standard Operating Procedure for Data Validation and Usability* (MassDEP 2005a). All water sample data were validated by reviewing QC sample results, analytical holding time compliance, QC sample frequency and related ancillary data/documentation (at a minimum). A complete summary of censoring and qualification decisions for all 2002 DWM data is provided in the *Data Validation Report for Year 2002 Project Data* – *CN 202.0* (MassDEP 2005b). Appendix 1 of this technical memorandum contains data censoring/qualification decisions for the 2002 data. Definitions for the data qualifiers are included in Appendix 2.

## TIDAL INFORMATION

While the QAPP (MassDEP 2002) called for the sampling of tidally-influenced sites on outgoing tides, a review of tidal information and selected water quality data suggests that this goal was not usually met (Table 3). Survey logistics were complex and, although tidally-influenced sites were scheduled as a group for sampling on separate dates from the non-tidal streams, the duration of the sampling runs still contributed to considerable variation in the sampling times with respect to where they fell on the tidal cycle. Furthermore, the objective of sampling pre-dawn to capture dissolved oxygen minima sometimes conflicted with the goal of sampling on ebbing tides. Finally, sampling stations established for several of the tidal streams were situated too far downstream to be influenced by the low freshwater flows encountered in 2002, even at low tide. For example, the Danvers River (DR01) was sampled near high tide on May 8 and near low tide on May 9, yet salinity values were 32.6 ppt and 31.1 ppt, respectively, suggesting that samples collected on both dates were essentially seawater and not representative of upstream freshwater quality conditions (Table 7). Examination of salinity data from all of the survey dates suggests that this was true for all of the tidally-influenced streams except Frost Fish Brook and the unnamed tributary known as "Town Line Brook". The former brook exhibited much lower salinities on all dates except September 18 and "Town Line Brook" appeared to be more indicative of freshwater conditions on May 9 and July 17.

Monitoring		Tidal Tim	es (24 hr.)		Range of	Tidal Status at
Dates	Low	High	Low	High	Sampling Times	Sampling
5/8/02	0321	0933	1542	2159	0825 – 1134	Near High
5/9/02	0407	1019	1623	2238	0237 – 0519	Near Low
6/12/02	0705	1318	1912	0120 (6/13)	0800 – 1247	Incoming
7/17/02	2317 (7/16)	0528	1142	1801	0815 – 1245	Near Low
7/18/02	0019	0630	1239	1858	0230 – 0542	Incoming
8/14/02	2200 (8/13)	0412	1023	1640	0823 – 1145	Near Low
8/15/02	2258 (8/14)	0511	1118	1737	0238 – 0513	Incoming
9/6/02	0503	1114	1718	2330	0209 – 0456	Outgoing
9/18/02	0350	1006	1558	2216	0842 – 1320	Near High
9/19/02	0437	1051	1645	2301	0213 – 0452	Near Low

Table 3. Tidal and Sampling Times for Tidally-influenced Monitoring Sites

## SURVEY CONDITIONS

Precipitation and stream discharge data were reviewed to determine the hydrologic conditions leading up to and during the water quality sampling events. This analysis was used, in part, to determine whether the water quality and bacteria data were representative of "wet" or "dry weather" sampling conditions. This, in turn, provided insight with regard to the relative magnitude of point versus nonpoint sources of pollution. Furthermore, stream discharge data were reviewed to determine whether sampling events were representative of typical hydrological conditions, or if unusually high or low flows were encountered. The Massachusetts Surface Water Quality Standards (WQS) specify the most severe hydrologic condition at which water quality criteria must be met. For' rivers, the flow statistic at and above which criteria must be applied is the minimum seven-day mean streamflow expected to occur once in ten years, or 7Q10. In artificially regulated waters the lowest flow condition at which criteria must be applied is the value exceeded 99% of the time on a yearly basis or another equivalent flow that has been agreed upon. Finally, for tidally influenced sites, tide charts were consulted to determine where sampling times fell on the tidal cycle (see discussion at the end of this section).

It should be noted that the Massachusetts Emergency Management Agency (MEMA) and Executive Office of Environmental Affairs (EOEA) issued a drought advisory on December 28, 2001 and that Massachusetts was under drought advisories and watches throughout 2002. The lack of precipitation in July and August, 2002 caused surface water and groundwater conditions to deteriorate and drought conditions persisted throughout the 2002 DWM monitoring survey period. These drought conditions are reflected in precipitation data obtained for a total of six sites distributed throughout the North Coastal Drainage Area from a network of gages maintained by the Massachusetts Department of Conservation and Recreation (DCR), as well as from the National Weather Service's website (http://www.erh.noaa.gov/box/dailystns.shtml) (NOAA 2005).

Rainfall data are summarized in Table 4 for the five days leading up to and including each of the sampling dates. Stream discharge data were obtained from two continuous USGS stream monitors: Saugus River at Saugus, MA (Table 5), located in the southern portion of the North Coastal Drainage Area, and the Parker River at Byfield, MA (Table 6), actually located outside of the North Coastal Drainage Area but considered representative of the northern portion of the drainage. Figures 3 – 12 depict mean precipitation and flow conditions in the Saugus and Parker rivers for each sampling period (i.e., May – September). Weather and hydrological conditions are described below for each survey period.

**May 6 – 9, 2002** (Fig. 3 and 4) – Weather conditions were primarily clear and cool on the May sampling dates. Although approximately one-half inch of rain fell on May 2 – 3, no rain occurred anywhere throughout the North Coastal Drainage Area during May 4 – 8, and daily stream discharge values for the Saugus and Parker rivers declined steadily throughout the May sampling period. An average of less than one-quarter of an inch of rain fell on May 9, a multiprobe-only survey date. Nonetheless, the May surveys should be considered representative of dry weather conditions for the purpose of reviewing and interpreting the water quality data.

**June 10 – 12, 2002** (Fig. 5 and 6) – Field notes indicated clear and cool weather on June 10 and 11 that gave way to overcast and drizzly conditions on June 12. Previously, over one inch of rain fell during June 5 – 7 and this led to variable, yet substantial, increases in streamflow in the North Coastal Drainage Area. Saugus River discharge more than doubled between June 5 and 7 but returned to near pre-storm conditions before the water quality sampling was carried out. The Parker River exhibited a similar increase in flow, but the response was less rapid, and higher flow values persisted into the actual sampling dates. This suggests that June water quality data were likely affected to some degree by the earlier wet-weather conditions.

**July 15 – 18, 2002** (Fig. 7 and 8) – The July surveys were marked by clear skies and air temperatures between 70°F and 80°F. Almost no rain fell during the five days leading up to the sampling dates, and both the Saugus and Parker river gages exhibited a steady decrease in stream discharge. Water quality data from the July surveys are representative of dry-weather conditions.

**August 12 – 15, 2002** (Fig. 9 and 10) – By August, 2002, Massachusetts was experiencing effects of drought conditions predicted by earlier watches and advisories. Weather during the survey dates was described on field sheets as clear and hot with no wind. No precipitation was reported from any of the rain gages in the North Coastal Drainage area between August 7 – 15, and the Saugus and Parker rivers were nearing 7Q10 flow conditions. In fact, 7Q10 conditions appear to have been reached on the August 15 sampling date. Water quality data from the August surveys are indicative of worst-case, low-flow, dryweather conditions.

**September 16 – 19, 2002** (Fig. 11 and 12) – Weather conditions during this sampling period were primarily overcast and cool with some clearing exhibited on September 19. Over one-half inch of rain fell between September 15 and 17 at scattered locations in the drainage area resulting in a substantial increase in the Saugus River discharge from 1.7 cfs to 10 cfs in one day. Flow values for the Parker River remained well below 7Q10 conditions but did exhibit a slight response to the rain event. Despite the prevailing low-flow conditions, the increases in stream discharge observed on the DWM sampling dates suggest that the recent rainfall affected the water quality data.

Date*	Beverly	Salem	Gloucester	Lynn	Wakefield	Marblehead	Mean
May 1	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
May 2	0.48	0.64	0.56	0.65	0.00	0.37	0.45
May 3	0.02	0.10	0.00	0.00	0.55	0.35	0.17
May 4	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
May 5	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
May 6	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
May 7	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
May 8	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
May 9	0.12	0.04	0.30	0.43	0.00	0.05	0.16
June 5	0.20	0.00	0.32	0.36	0.09	0.00	0.16
June 6	0.61	0.77	0.69	0.76	0.30	0.32	0.58
June 7	0.49	0.60	0.11	0.26	0.82	0.96	0.54
June 8	0.00	0.00	0.01	0.00	0.00	0.13	0.02
June 9	T**	0.02	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.01
June 10	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
June 11	T**	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.13	0.00	0.02
June 12	0.28	0.17	0.40	0.18	0.00	T**	0.17
July 10	0.01	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.80		0.16
July 11	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00		0.00
July 12	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00		0.00
July 13	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00		0.00
July 14	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00		0.00
July 15	T**	0.00	0.03	0.00	0.00		0.01
July 16	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00		0.00
July 17	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00		0.00
July 18	0.01	0.00	0.14	0.38	0.00		0.11
Aug 7	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Aug 8	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Aug 9	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Aug 10	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Aug 11	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Aug 12	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Aug 13	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Aug 14	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Aug 15	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00

Table 4. 2002 Precipitation Data (in inches) for Six Sites in the North Coastal Drainage Area

Date*	Beverly	Salem	Gloucester	Lynn	Wakefield	Marblehead	Mean
Sept 1	T**	0.00		0.02	0.00		0.01
Sept 2	0.40	0.45		0.90	0.00		0.44
Sept 3	0.38	0.53		0.02	0.00		0.23
Sept 4	0.02	0.00		0.06	0.76		0.21
Sept 5	0.00	0.00		0.00	0.00		0.00
Sept 6	0.00	0.00		0.00	0.00		0.00
Sept 11	T**	0.00		0.00	0.00		0.00
Sept 12	0.00	0.00		0.00	0.00		0.00
Sept 13	0.00	0.00		0.00	0.00		0.00
Sept 14	0.00	0.00		0.00	0.00		0.00
Sept 15	0.18	0.14		0.44	0.00		0.19
Sept 16	0.40	0.00		0.57	0.49		0.37
Sept 17	0.00	0.00		0.00	0.55		0.14
Sept 18	0.01	0.00		0.00	0.00		0.00
Sept 19	0.01	0.00		0.00	0.00		0.00
* DWM	sampling date	es indicated in b	old				

\*\* T = Trace -- = No data reported from either source (see below) Sources: MA DCR (2002) and NOAA (2005)

Saugus R	iver at Saug DISC	•	· •	s, MA (Gage C FEET I		-		3 sq. mi.)
Survey Dates	5 Days Prior	4 Days Prior	3 Days Prior	2 Days Prior	1 Day Prior	Sample Date	Monthly Mean	POR* Mean
May 6	23	26	36	26	22	20	45.8	30.3
May 7	26	36	26	22	20	18	45.8	30.3
May 8	36	26	22	20	18	16	45.8	30.3
May 9	26	22	20	18	16	15	45.8	30.3
June 10	27	36	58	48	36	33	28.2	26.7
June 11	36	58	48	36	33	30	28.2	26.7
June 12	58	48	36	33	30	28	28.2	26.7
July 15	18	7.9	6.0	5.2	4.5	4.0	5.63	10.3
July 16	7.9	6.0	5.2	4.5	4.0	3.6	5.63	10.3
July 17	6.0	5.2	4.5	4.0	3.6	3.4	5.63	10.3
July 18	5.2	4.5	4.0	3.6	3.4	3.3	5.63	10.3
Aug 12	2.1	2.0	1.9	1.9	1.8	1.7	2.70	6.06
Aug 13	2.0	1.9	1.9	1.8	1.7	1.7	2.70	6.06
Aug 14	1.9	1.9	1.8	1.7	1.7	1.5	2.70	6.06
Aug 15	1.9	1.8	1.7	1.7	1.5	1.4	2.70	6.06
Sept 6	3.3	4.1	10	6.0	4.0	3.2	5.57	10.0
Sept 16	2.0	1.8	1.7	1.6	1.7	10	5.57	10.0
Sept 17	1.8	1.7	1.6	1.7	10	8.9	5.57	10.0
Sept 18	1.7	1.6	1.7	10	8.9	4.2	5.57	10.0
Sept 19	1.6	1.7	10	8.9	4.2	3.0	5.57	10.0
* POR = m	onthly mean	for period o	f record (199	94 - 2002)				

## Table 5: 2002 USGS Stream Discharge Data for the Saugus River (Socolow et al., 2003)

	Parker Rive			<b># 01100100</b> ubic Feet per			.3 sq. mi.)	
Survey Dates	5 Days Prior	4 Days Prior	3 Days Prior	2 Days Prior	1 Day Prior	Sample Date	Monthly Mean	POR* Mean
May 6	52	51	51	50	47	42	56.8	49.3
May 7	51	51	50	47	42	37	56.8	49.3
May 8	51	50	47	42	37	32	56.8	49.3
May 9	50	47	42	37	32	29	56.8	49.3
June 10	23	25	33	46	47	42	31.5	28.1
June 11	25	33	46	47	42	34	31.5	28.1
June 12	33	46	47	42	34	31	31.5	28.1
July 15	4.4	4.0	3.5	3.3	3.0	2.6	5.21	8.69
July 16	4.0	3.5	3.3	3.0	2.6	2.6	5.21	8.69
July 17	3.5	3.3	3.0	2.6	2.6	2.3	5.21	8.69
July 18	3.3	3.0	2.6	2.6	2.3	1.9	5.21	8.69
Aug 12	.38	.28	.37	.27	.22	.18	.28	5.39
Aug 13	.28	.37	.27	.22	.18	.19	.28	5.39
Aug 14	.37	.27	.22	.18	.19	.18	.28	5.39
Aug 15	.27	.22	.18	.19	.18	.16	.28	5.39
Sept 6	.06	.06	.09	.07	.06	.07	.20	6.19
Sept 16	.07	.06	.08	.09	.07	.09	.20	6.19
Sept 17	.06	.08	.09	.07	.09	.12	.20	6.19
Sept 18	.08	.09	.07	.09	.12	.10	.20	6.19
Sept 19	.09	.07	.09	.12	.10	.07	.20	6.19
	6 cfs <i>(Ries,</i> onthly mean		f record (194	45 - 2002)				

## Table 6: 2002 USGS Stream Discharge Data for the Parker River (Socolow et al., 2003)



Figure 3. Mean Precipitation and Saugus River Discharge Data - May, 2002 (Survey dates denoted by asterisks)

Figure 4. Mean Precipitation and Parker River Discharge Data - May, 2002 (Survey dates denoted by asterisks)





Figure 5. Mean Precipitation and Saugus River Discharge Data - June, 2002 (Survey dates denoted by asterisks)

Figure 6. Mean Precipitation and Parker River Discharge Data - June, 2002 (Survey dates denoted by asterisks)





Figure 7. Mean Precipitation and Saugus River Discharge Data - July, 2002 (Survey dates denoted by asterisks)

Figure 8. Mean Precipitation and Parker River Discharge Data - July, 2002 (Survey dates denoted by asterisks)



Figure 9. Mean Precipitation and Saugus River Discharge Data - August, 2002 (Survey dates denoted by asterisks)



Figure 10. Mean Precipitation and Parker River Discharge Data - August, 2002 (Survey dates denoted by asterisks)



Figure 11. Mean Precipitation and Saugus River Discharge Data - September, 2002 (Survey dates denoted by asterisks)



**Figure 12. Mean Precipitation and Parker River Discharge Data - September, 2002** (Survey dates denoted by *asterisks*)



## WATER QUALITY DATA

Raw data files, field sheets, lab reports and chain of custody (COC) records are stored in open files at the DWM in Worcester. All DEP DWM water quality data are managed and maintained in the *Water Quality Data Access Database*. Data exports for publishing are provided by DWM's database manager. Tables 7 and 8 are **QC Status 4** ("Final") data exports for the North Coastal Drainage Area. This level of data reflects project-level review by appropriate staff for reasonableness, completeness and acceptability. These data can be freely used and cited in documents without caution or caveat. Data validation procedures are described in Appendix 1. Data qualifiers are listed at the bottom of each page and in Appendix 2.

#### Table 7. 2002 MassDEP North Coastal Drainage Area in situ multiprobe Data.

OWMID (sample ID), Temp (Temperature), pH, Conductivity, Total Dissolved Solids (TDS), Dissolved Oxygen (DO), and Percent Saturation

North Coastal (2002) (QC Status: 4) Exported: 9/21/2005 2:59:31 PM

#### **Unnamed Tributary**

Unique\_ID: W0880 Station: TL01, Mile Point: 1.112

Description: unnamed tributary to Pines River locally known as Town Line Brook, north of Fuller Street, Everett at northern end of Beth Israel Cemetery, Malden

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Date	OWMID	Time	Depth	Temp	рН	Cond@ 25C	TDS	SAL	DO	SAT
		(24hr)	(m)	(C)	(SU)	(uS/cm)	(mg/l)	(ppt)	(mg/l)	(%)
05/08/02	93-0321	11:41	0.5	15.7	7.4 c	39,510		25.2	7.3 u	85 u
05/09/02	93-0328	05:19	0.1 i	11.7	6.8	4,780		2.6	5.5	51
06/12/02	93-0383	12:47	0.9	16.7	7.2	37,950		24.1	## mu	## mu
07/17/02	93-0447	12:48	0.1 i	29.8 u	9.0	8,530		4.8	## ir	## ir
07/18/02	93-0456	05:49	0.5	21.5	7.3	43,830		28.3	4.4	58
08/15/02	93-0520	05:13	## ir	24.1	7.3	48,150		31.5	4.0	57
09/06/02	No Flow	**								
09/18/02	No Flow	**								
09/18/02	93-0584	13:20	0.6	19.2	7.1	35,210 u		22.2 u	6.8 u	83 u

#### ESSEX RIVER (Saris: 9354625) Unique\_ID: W0890 Station: ER01, Mile Point: 3.131 Description: Route 133 (Main Street), Essex

Date	OWMID	Time	Depth	Temp	рН	Cond@ 25C	TDS	SAL	DO	SAT
		(24hr)	(m)	(C)	(SU)	(uS/cm)	(mg/l)	(ppt)	(mg/l)	(%)
05/08/02	93-0309	08:56	0.6	15.1	7.5 c	35,240 u		22.2 u	7.7 u	86 u
05/09/02	93-0323	03:08	0.3	15.9	7.2 c	24,970		15.2	7.8 u	84 u
06/12/02	93-0367	08:49	0.5	16.4	6.7 c	18,110		10.7	5.8 mu	62 mu
07/17/02	93-0431	09:01	0.5	20.8	7.0	47,810		31.2	3.7	49
07/18/02	93-0449	03:02	0.4	22.4	7.0	45,410		29.5	3.8	52
08/14/02	93-0495	08:53	## ir	25.1	7.0	49,660		32.6	3.0	43
08/15/02	93-0513	03:09	## ir	25.6	7.2	49,820		32.7	4.1 u	59 u
09/06/02	93-0522	02:35	0.5	19.4	7.0	44,360		28.7	4.2 u	53 u
09/18/02	93-0568	09:14	0.8	18.9	7.3	49,060		32.1	4.9 u	63 u
09/19/02	93-0586	02:39	0.7	19.4	7.1	48,320		31.6	4.5 u	58 u

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- "-- " = No data (i.e., data not taken/not required).
- " c " = Greater than calibration standard used for pre-calibration, or outside the acceptable range about the calibration standard.
- " i " = Inaccurate readings from multiprobe likely.
- " m " = Method not followed; one or more protocols contained in the DWM Multi-probe SOP not followed, i.e., operator error [e.g., less than three readings per station (rivers) or per depth (lakes), or instrument failure not allowing method to be implemented.]

" u " = Unstable readings, due to lack of sufficient equilibration time prior to final readings, non-representative location, highlyvariable water quality conditions, etc.

"r" = Data not representative of actual field conditions.

## Table 7. (Continued) 2002 MassDEP North Coastal Drainage Area in situ multiprobe Data.

#### ALEWIFE BROOK (Saris: 9354725)

Unique\_ID: W0879 Station: AL01, Mile Point: 0.001

Description: upstream of stormdrain coming in from northwest side of brook at Apple Street, Essex

Date	OWMID	Time	Depth	Temp	рH	Cond@ 25C	TDS	SAL	DO	SAT
		(24hr)	(m)	(C)	(SU)	(uS/cm)	(mg/l)	(ppt)	(mg/l)	(%)
05/06/02	93-0264	08:20	0.4 m	12.8 m	6.1 m	195 m	125 m		8.7 m	80 m
05/07/02	93-0293	02:02	0.3	16.3	6.1 u	176	113		7.7 u	76 u
06/10/02	93-0330	08:07	0.6	18.1	6.1	192	123		6.4	66
06/11/02	93-0353	01:55	0.5	18.4	6.1	193	124		6.9 u	72 u
07/15/02	93-0394	07:58	0.1 i	18.9	6.3 c	265	170		3.4	36
07/16/02	93-0417	02:17	0.1 i	19.9	6.3 c	276	176		3.7	40
08/12/02	93-0458	08:28	## ir	20.3	6.9 c	312	200		2.0	21
08/13/02	93-0481	02:11	## ir	22.9 u	6.7	309	198		2.2 u	26 u
09/16/02	93-0531	08:22	0.1 i	20.3	6.4	163	104		2.4 u	27 u
09/17/02	93-0554	02:11	0.1 i	17.4	6.4	257	165		1.7 u	18 u

## MILL RIVER (Saris: 9354850)

Unique\_ID: W0891 Station: MR01, Mile Point: 0.001 Description: downstream at Route 127 (Washington Street), Gloucester

Dete	014/4410	Time	Danth	Taman		0 and @ 050	TDO	0.41	50	CAT
Date	OWMID	Time (24hr)	Depth (m)	Temp (C)	pH (SU)	Cond@ 25C (uS/cm)	TDS (mg/l)	SAL (ppt)	DO (mg/l)	SAT (%)
		· · /			• •	. ,	(ing/i)			
05/08/02	93-0307	08:27	0.8	11.3	7.6 cu	48,910		32.0	8.3	91
05/09/02	93-0322	02:41	0.2	16.9	8.1 cu	26,230		16.0	8.8	98
06/12/02	93-0365	08:11	0.4	18.7	8.4	32,970		20.6	8.9	107
06/13/02	93-0384	03:19	## i	## im	## im	## imu		## imu	## im	## im
07/17/02	93-0429	08:26	1.0	## u	7.9 iu	48,430 iu		31.7 iu	## iu	## iu
07/18/02	93-0448	02:34	0.3	22.6	8.4	39,190		25.0	8.4	111
08/14/02	93-0493	08:23	## ir	24.3	8.3	42,990		27.7	7.3 u	101 u
08/15/02	93-0512	02:38	## ir	## iu	8.2 iu	47,460 iu		31.0 iu	5.1 iu	71 iu
09/06/02	93-0521	02:09	0.6	19.9	8.1	42,950		27.7	8.1	103
09/18/02	93-0566	08:44	1.9	17.7	7.7	49,520		32.5	5.8 u	73 u
09/19/02	93-0585	02:13	0.7	18.4	7.8	48,700		31.9	7.1	89

#### CAT BROOK (Saris: 9355050)

Unique\_ID: W0889 Station: SM03, Mile Point: 0.701

Description: Lincoln Street, Manchester

Date	OWMID	Time	Depth	Temp	рН	Cond@ 25C	TDS	SAL	DO	SAT
		(24hr)	(m)	(C)	(SU)	(uS/cm)	(mg/l)	(ppt)	(mg/l)	(%)
05/06/02	93-0268	09:01	0.2	12.1	5.9	321	205		10.1 u	91 u
05/07/02	93-0295	02:28	0.3	15.5	6.0	323	207		9.2	90
06/10/02	93-0334	08:55	0.3	16.6	6.0	325	208		8.3 m	83 m
06/11/02	93-0355	02:26	0.3	16.4	6.1	320	205		8.6	86
07/15/02	93-0398	08:35	0.1 i	15.4	6.3 c	294	188		7.8	77
07/16/02	93-0419	02:56	0.1 i	18.2	6.3 c	411	263		7.1 iu	75 iu
08/12/02	93-0462	09:05	## ir	18.8	6.4	382	244		4.0 u	42 u
08/13/02	93-0483	02:48	## ir	20.5	6.5	336	215	-	4.4 u	48 u
09/16/02	93-0535	08:55	0.1 i	17.8	6.3	254	163	-	4.4 u	45 u
09/17/02	93-0556	02:42	0.1 i	16.3	6.3	388	249		4.7 u	47 u

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" u " = Unstable readings, due to lack of sufficient equilibration time prior to final readings, non-representative location, highlyvariable water quality conditions, etc.

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## Table 7. (Continued) 2002 MassDEP North Coastal Drainage Area in situ multiprobe Data.

## CAUSEWAY BROOK (Saris: 9355075)

Unique\_ID: W0888 Station: CB01, Mile Point: 0.077

Description: Lincoln Street, Manchester

Date	OWMID	Time	Depth	Temp	рН	Cond@ 25C	TDS	SAL	DO	SAT
		(24hr)	(m)	(C)	(SU)	(uS/cm)	(mg/l)	(ppt)	(mg/l)	(%)
05/06/02	93-0266	08:49	0.4	12.4	6.3	245	157		10.2	93
05/07/02	93-0294	02:20	0.3	14.4	6.1 u	243	155		7.7 u	73 u
06/10/02	93-0332	08:40	0.3	15.9	6.1	269	172		5.3 m	52 m
06/11/02	93-0354	02:16	0.3	13.9	6.0	268	172	-	4.7	45
07/15/02	93-0396	08:23	0.1 i	19.3 u	6.0 c	236	151		2.4	26
07/16/02	93-0418	02:43	0.1 i	19.1 u	6.0 c	232	148		2.1 iu	23 iu
08/12/02	93-0460	08:53	## ir	20.4	6.1	217	139		1.6 u	18 u
08/13/02	93-0482	02:35	## ir	21.3	6.2	239	153		1.0 u	11 u
09/16/02	93-0533	08:45	0.1 i	19.1	6.1	180	115		2.8	29
09/17/02	93-0555	02:32	0.1 i	16.7	6.1	196	126		1.9 u	19 u

#### DANVERS RIVER (Saris: 9355200) Unique\_ID: W0886 Station: DR01, Mile Point: 0.816

Description: Kernwood Street, Beverly/Salem

Date	OWMID	Time	Depth	Temp	рН	Cond@ 25C	TDS	SAL	DO	SAT
		(24hr)	(m)	(C)	(SU)	(uS/cm)	(mg/l)	(ppt)	(mg/l)	(%)
05/08/02	93-0313	09:58	0.4	11.4 u	7.9 c	49,750		32.6	9.6 u	105 u
05/09/02	93-0325	04:05	0.3	13.6	7.9 c	47,710		31.1	9.0	102
06/12/02	93-0373	10:39	0.8	14.1	7.7	48,110		31.4	6.8 mu	79 mu
07/17/02	93-0437	10:29	0.5	17.3	7.9	49,600		32.5	8.2	102
07/18/02	93-0452	04:16	0.3	16.7	7.9	48,730		31.9	8.3	102
08/14/02	93-0501	10:16	## ir	22.8 u	8.0 i	49,280 i		32.3 i	7.1 i	98 i
09/06/02	93-0525	03:42	0.2	19.1	7.8	47,810		31.2	6.2 u	80 u
09/18/02	93-0574	11:03	0.8	17.2	7.8	49,690		32.6	7.9 u	98 u
09/19/02	93-0589	03:47	0.5	17.8	7.8	49,240		32.3	6.7 u	84 u

#### FROST FISH BROOK (Saris: 9355250)

Unique\_ID: W0881 Station: FF00, Mile Point: 0.011 Description: directly downstream at Route 62, Danvers

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Date	OWMID	Time	Depth	Temp	рΗ	Cond@ 25C	TDS
Date	OWWIND	Time	Deptil	remp	рп	C0110@ 25C	103
		(24hr)	(m)	(C)	(SU)	(uS/cm)	(mg/l

		(24hr)	(m)	(C)	(SU)	(uS/cm)	(mg/l)	(ppt)	(mg/l)	(%)
05/06/02	93-0270	09:35	0.2	11.4	7.0 c	2,430 cu	1,550 cu		11.1	100
05/07/02	93-0296	02:50	0.6	13.7	6.9 u	624	399		9.1 u	86 u
06/12/02	93-0369	09:34	0.4	13.5	7.2	748		0.4	8.3 mu	78 mu
07/17/02	93-0433	09:38	0.3	16.6	7.1	3,810		2.1	8.5	86
07/18/02	93-0450	03:35	0.2	17.9	7.1	1,630 u		0.9 u	8.3	87
08/14/02	93-0497	09:28	## ir	21.5	7.3	4,250		2.3	7.7	86
09/06/02	93-0523	03:03	0.2	16.5	7.2	4,870 u		2.7 u	7.9 u	81 u
09/18/02	93-0570	09:47	1.0	17.5	7.4	44,490		28.8	5.9	72
09/19/02	93-0587	03:09	0.5	16.4	7.3	5,720 u		3.2 u	7.2	73

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"r" = Data not representative of actual field conditions.

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## Table 7. (Continued) 2002 MassDEP North Coastal Drainage Area in situ multiprobe Data.

#### CRANE RIVER (Saris: 9355275)

Unique\_ID: W0452 Station: CR01, Mile Point: 1.547 Description: Ash Street, Danvers

Data	OWMID	Time	Danth	Tama		Cond@ 25C	TDO	C A I	DO	SAT
Date	OWMID	Time (24hr)	Depth (m)	Temp (C)	pH (SU)	Cond@ 25C (uS/cm)	TDS (mg/l)	SAL (ppt)	(mg/l)	SAT (%)
05/06/02	93-0278	10:44	0.1 i	14.9	7.5 c	840 c	537 c		10.9	105
05/07/02	93-0299	03:27	0.4	15.8	7.3 c	866 c	554 c		8.7	86
06/10/02	93-0340	10:02	0.5	17.6	7.2 c	752 c	482 c		8.3 m	85 m
06/11/02	93-0358	03:21	0.5	17.7	7.2 cu	784 c	502 c		7.7	79
07/15/02	93-0404	09:37	0.3	22.2	7.3	841 c	539 c		5.2	59
07/16/02	93-0422	03:59	0.3	22.3	7.4	848 c	543 c		4.6 m	52 m
08/12/02	93-0468	10:06	## ir	22.7	7.3 c	919 c	588 c		6.2	70
08/13/02	93-0486	03:50	## ir	23.9	7.3 c	917 c	587 c		5.3 u	62 u
09/16/02	93-0541	09:51	0.3	21.1	7.5 c	773 c	495 c		6.9	76
09/17/02	93-0559	03:31	0.3	19.5	7.3 c	697	446		6.0	65

#### BEAVER BROOK (Saris: 9355300) Unique\_ID: W0450 Station: CR03, Mile Point: 0.071

Description: Holten Street, Danvers

Date	OWMID	Time	Depth	Temp	pН	Cond@ 25C	TDS	SAL	DO	SAT
		(24hr)	(m)	(C)	(SU)	(uS/cm)	(mg/l)	(ppt)	(mg/l)	(%)
05/06/02	93-0272	10:05	0.1 i	14.2	6.6	890 c	570 c		5.6 u	53 u
05/07/02	93-0297	03:07	0.3	17.3	6.8	916 c	586 c		7.1 u	72 u
06/10/02	93-0336	09:28	0.4	17.7	6.6	806 c	516 c		5.1 m	53 m
06/11/02	93-0356	02:54	0.3	18.3	6.6	838 c	536 c		4.8	50
07/15/02	93-0400	09:04	0.2	20.2	6.5 c	1,020 c	651 c		2.9 u	31 u
07/16/02	93-0420	03:28	0.1 i	20.1	6.5 c	1,050 c	673 c		2.0 u	22 u
08/12/02	93-0464	09:34	## ir	20.7	6.6	1,140 c	730 c		3.8	42
08/13/02	93-0484	03:19	## ir	21.1	6.6	1,130 c	725 c		3.4 u	38 u
09/16/02	93-0537	09:26	0.1 i	18.9	6.5	1,040 c	663 c		2.3 u	24 u
09/17/02	93-0557	03:09	0.1 i	18.8	6.5	905 c	579 c		2.3 u	24 u

#### CRANE BROOK (Saris: 9355325) Unique\_ID: W0451 Station: CR02, Mile Point: 0.267

Description: Pine Street, Danvers

Date	OWMID	Time	Depth	Temp	pН	Cond@ 25C	TDS	SAL	DO	SAT
		(24hr)	(m)	(C)	(SU)	(uS/cm)	(mg/l)	(ppt)	(mg/l)	(%)
05/06/02	93-0274	10:24	0.1 i	12.1	7.1 c	843 c	540 c		9.6 u	87 u
05/07/02	93-0298	03:16	0.3	14.5	7.0 c	847 c	542 c		6.6 u	64 u
06/10/02	93-0338	09:46	0.4	15.3	7.0 c	773 c	495 c		6.3 m	61 m
06/11/02	93-0357	03:06	0.3	16.3	7.0 c	800 c	512 c		5.7	57
07/15/02	93-0402	09:23	0.1 i	19.1	7.1	856 c	548 c	-	5.3	57
07/16/02	93-0421	03:43	0.1 i	19.9	7.2	837 c	536 c	-	5.6 mu	61 mu
08/12/02	93-0466	09:50	## ir	19.8	7.0 c	812 c	520 c	-	6.3	68
08/13/02	93-0485	03:37	## ir	20.3	7.1 c	819 c	524 c	-	5.9	64
09/16/02	93-0539	09:37	0.1 i	20.3	6.9 c	399	256		5.0 u	54 u
09/17/02	93-0558	03:20	0.1 i	17.9	7.0 c	665	426	-	5.0	52

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#### WATERS RIVER (Saris: 9355350)

Unique\_ID: W0884 Station: WA00, Mile Point: 0.197

Description: Water Street (Route 35), Danvers

Date	OWMID	Time	Depth	Temp	Hq	Cond@ 25C	TDS	SAL	DO	SAT
		(24hr)	(m)	(C)	(SU)	(uS/cm)	(mg/l)	(ppt)	(mg/l)	(%)
05/08/02	93-0311	09:33	0.4	13.1	7.8 c	47,960		31.3	9.1	103
05/09/02	93-0324	03:45	0.1 i	14.1	7.7 c	## u		## u	7.7	86
06/12/02	93-0371	10:02	0.7	15.6	7.6	46,560		30.3	6.7 m	80 m
07/17/02	93-0435	10:03	0.3	19.3 u	7.8	47,680		31.1	6.7	86
07/18/02	93-0451	03:55	0.5	18.7	7.9	48,060		31.4	7.8	99
08/14/02	93-0499	09:51	## ir	24.1	7.7	45,980		29.9	5.6	79
08/15/02	93-0515	03:43	## ir	22.6	7.8	49,190		32.2	6.6 u	90 u
09/06/02	93-0524	03:23	0.4	19.3	7.7	47,170		30.8	6.0	78
09/18/02	93-0572	10:27	2.5	17.5	7.7	49,200		32.2	6.9	86
09/19/02	93-0588	03:26	0.6	18.2	7.7	48,420		31.7	6.3	79

# PROCTOR BROOK (Saris: 9355400) Unique\_ID: W0887 Station: PB03, Mile Point: 0.728 Description: Grove Street, Salem

Date	OWMID	Time	Depth	Temp	pН	Cond@ 25C	TDS	SAL	DO	SAT
		(24hr)	(m)	(C)	(SU)	(uS/cm)	(mg/l)	(ppt)	(mg/l)	(%)
05/06/02	93-0282	08:55	0.9	11.9 u	7.4 c	## I	## ci		4.9	77
05/07/02	93-0301	02:13	0.1 i	15.7	7.0 c	808 c	517 c		7.6 u	75 u
06/12/02	93-0375	11:12	0.9	16.7	7.3	1,010		0.5	6.4 mu	65 mu
07/17/02	93-0439	10:57	0.2	23.6 u	7.9	2,680		1.4	11.3	132
07/18/02	93-0453	04:35	0.7	20.5	7.1	27,140 u		16.6 u	2.1 u	26 u
08/14/02	93-0503	10:41	## ir	23.3 u	6.9 i	13,360 iu	-	7.7 iu	2.5 iu	30 iu
08/15/02	93-0517	04:04	## ir	22.5	7.3	45,510		29.5	2.8 u	38 u
09/06/02	93-0526	04:07	0.1 i	16.6	7.2	2,860		1.5	5.4 u	55 u
09/18/02	93-0576	11:42	1.1	16.8	7.4	43,500		28.1	5.0	60
09/19/02	93-0590	04:06	0.4	17.2	7.4 u	2,210		1.2	6.3 u	65 u

#### GOLDTHWAIT BROOK (Saris: 9355450) Unique ID: W0454 Station: GB01, Mile Point: 0.457

Description: Foster Street, Peabody

Date	OWMID	Time	Depth	Temp	рН	Cond@ 25C	TDS	SAL	DO	SAT
		(24hr)	(m)	(C)	(SU)	(uS/cm)	(mg/l)	(ppt)	(mg/l)	(%)
05/06/02	93-0280	08:22	0.5	14.3	7.0 c	754 c	482 c		9.5	90
05/07/02	93-0300	01:56	0.1 i	16.8	7.3 cu	731 c	468 c		9.7 u	98 u
06/10/02	93-0342	10:28	0.5	18.3	6.9 c	646	414		7.4 m	77 m
06/11/02	93-0359	03:39	0.3	18.8	6.9 c	658	421		8.0	85
07/15/02	93-0406	10:12	0.2	19.0	6.8 c	657	421		6.6	70
07/16/02	93-0423	04:28	0.1 i	17.0	6.8 c	658	421	-	## mu	## mu
08/12/02	93-0470	10:28	## ir	20.6	6.8	600	384	-	4.2	45
08/13/02	93-0487	04:09	## ir	17.4	6.7	558	357	-	2.7 u	28 u
09/16/02	93-0543	10:18	0.1 i	19.3	6.6	528	338		4.4	47
09/17/02	93-0560	03:51	0.1 i	16.5	6.6	554	355		2.5 u	25 u

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# Table 7. (Continued) 2002 MassDEP North Coastal Drainage Area in situ multiprobe Data.

#### FOREST RIVER (Saris: 9355500) Unique\_ID: W0885 Station: FR01A, Mile Point: 0.562

Description: Loring Avenue, Salem

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Date	OWMID	Time	Depth	Temp	рН	Cond@ 25C	TDS	SAL	DO	SAT
		(24hr)	(m)	(C)	(SU)	(uS/cm)	(mg/l)	(ppt)	(mg/l)	(%)
05/08/02	93-0315	10:29	0.3	13.7	7.7 c	37,910		24.1	8.7	95
05/09/02	93-0326	04:31	0.1 i	15.3	7.4 c	3,540 u		1.9 u	6.5 u	64 u
06/12/02	93-0377	11:43	0.4	14.6	7.4	36,100 u		22.8 u	6.3 m	71 m
07/17/02	93-0443	11:31	0.2	22.9	7.2	35,970		22.7	6.5 u	86 u
07/18/02	93-0454	04:58	0.1 i	19.9	7.4	44,230		28.6	4.3	56
08/14/02	93-0507	11:10	## i	26.8	7.4	43,910		28.4	6.6	95
08/15/02	93-0518	04:22	## ir	22.2	7.6	48,680		31.9	4.6 u	62 u
09/06/02	93-0527	04:27	0.2	18.9	7.2	41,060	-	26.3	4.4 u	55 u
09/18/02	93-0580	12:14	0.5	18.1	7.7	46,200	-	30.0	7.7	96
09/19/02	93-0591	04:26	0.5	17.8	7.3	39,680		25.3	5.2 u	63 u

#### SAUGUS RIVER (Saris: 9355550) Unique\_ID: W0882 Station: SR04A, Mile Point: 12.439

Description: Vernon Street/Main Street, Wakefield/Lynnfield

Date	OWMID	Time	Depth	Temp	pН	Cond@ 25C	TDS	SAL	DO	SAT
		(24hr)	(m)	(C)	(SU)	(uS/cm)	(mg/l)	(ppt)	(mg/l)	(%)
05/06/02	93-0284	09:29	0.6	12.5	6.6	779 c	498 c		7.5 u	69 u
05/07/02	93-0302	02:40	0.2	14.6	6.5	769 c	492 c		6.7 u	65 u
06/10/02	93-0344	10:59	0.4	16.5	6.5	682	437		6.1 m	61 m
06/11/02	93-0360	04:08	0.7	16.6	6.5	703	450		6.2	62
07/15/02	93-0408	10:39	0.2	19.1	6.8 c	924 c	591 c		5.2 u	55 u
07/16/02	93-0424	04:51	0.2	18.9	6.9	920 c	589 c		4.9 m	53 m
08/12/02	93-0472	11:02	## ir	20.3	7.1 c	974 c	623 c		5.8 u	63 u
08/13/02	93-0488	04:33	## ir	21.5	6.8	869 c	556 c		5.4 u	61 u
09/16/02	93-0545	10:44	0.2	20.0	6.6	694	444		4.4 u	47 u
09/17/02	93-0561	04:15	0.2	18.3	6.6	392	251		4.6 u	48 u

#### SAUGUS RIVER (Saris: 9355550) Unique\_ID: W0883 Station: SR01B, Mile Point: 4.963 Description: Elm Street, Saugus

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Date	OWMID	Time	Depth	Temp	рН	Cond@ 25C	TDS	SAL	DO	SAT
		(24hr)	(m)	(C)	(SU)	(uS/cm)	(mg/l)	(ppt)	(mg/l)	(%)
05/06/02	93-0286	09:59	0.4	13.1	7.1 cu	638	409		10.3	95
05/07/02	93-0303	03:21	0.1 i	15.1	7.1 c	634	406		8.5 u	83 u
06/10/02	93-0346	11:28	0.4	17.3	7.2 c	528	338		8.2 m	83 m
06/11/02	93-0361	04:33	0.4	17.2	7.2 cu	538	344	-	8.2 u	83 u
07/15/02	93-0412	11:14	0.1 i	21.4	7.4	717	459	-	7.6	84
07/16/02	93-0425	05:15	0.1 i	20.6	7.4	732 c	469 c		7.4 iu	81 iu
08/12/02	93-0476	11:30	## ir	22.4	7.6 c	752 c	481 c		8.2 u	93 u
08/13/02	93-0489	04:57	## ir	22.1	7.4 cu	751 c	481 c		7.6 u	86 u
09/16/02	93-0549	11:12	0.1 i	20.7	7.1 c	474	303		6.5 u	71 u
09/17/02	93-0562	04:39	0.3	18.5	7.0 c	293	187	-	6.8	71

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- "r" = Data not representative of actual field conditions.

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# Table 7. (Continued) 2002 MassDEP North Coastal Drainage Area in situ multiprobe Data.

# SAUGUS RIVER (Saris: 9355550) Unique\_ID: W0892 Station: SR00, Mile Point: 0.963

Description: approximately 800 feet upstream of Route 107, Saugus

Date	OWMID	Time	Depth	Temp	рН	Cond@ 25C	TDS	SAL	DO	SAT
		(24hr)	(m)	(C)	(SU)	(uS/cm)	(mg/l)	(ppt)	(mg/l)	(%)
05/08/02	93-0317	11:10	1.3	15.4 u	7.9 c	46,540 u		30.3 u	8.4	99
05/09/02	93-0327	04:56	1.2	16.6	7.7 c	37,480	-	23.8	7.2	84
06/12/02	93-0379	12:19	1.6	15.2	7.8	46,530	-	30.3	7.4 mu	88 mu
07/17/02	93-0445	12:13	1.5	23.2 u	7.7	45,420		29.5	6.8 u	93 u
07/18/02	93-0455	05:28	1.5	19.2 u	7.9	48,190		31.5	7.9 u	103 u
08/14/02	93-0509	11:49	## ir	25.9	7.7	47,900		31.3	5.2	76
08/15/02	93-0519	04:51	## ir	21.9 u	7.9	49,560		32.5	7.1 u	97 u
09/06/02	93-0528	04:56	1.5	20.7 u	7.4	40,770		26.1	5.2 u	67 u
09/18/02	93-0582	12:56	2.2	20.1 u	7.6	45,670		29.7	6.0 u	77 u
09/19/02	93-0592	04:52	1.2	20.5	7.4	40,500	-	25.9	4.8	62

#### SHUTE BROOK (Saris: 9355575) Unique\_ID: W0877 Station: SB01, Mile Point: 0.808

Description: upstream of Central Street (upstream of railroad tracks), Saugus

Date	OWMID	Time	Depth	Temp	pН	Cond@ 25C	TDS	SAL	DO	SAT
		(24hr)	(m)	(C)	(SU)	(uS/cm)	(mg/l)	(ppt)	(mg/l)	(%)
05/06/02	93-0288	10:41	0.4	13.1	7.2 cu	825 c	528 c		10.6 u	98 u
05/07/02	93-0304	03:38	0.1 i	12.5	7.1 c	824 c	527 c		9.0 u	83 u
06/10/02	93-0348	11:49	0.3	15.4	7.2 c	772 c	494 c		8.9 m	87 m
06/11/02	93-0362	04:47	0.3	14.4	7.2 c	807 c	517 c		8.9	86
07/15/02	93-0414	11:32	0.1 i	19.6	7.6	976 c	624 c		8.5	92
07/16/02	93-0426	05:29	0.1 i	17.5	7.4	963 c	616 c		7.2 iu	75 iu
08/12/02	93-0478	11:48	## ir	21.7	7.6 c	1,020 c	655 c		8.3 u	93 u
08/13/02	93-0490	05:15	## ir	20.2	7.4 c	1,020 c	655 c		7.7 u	84 u
09/16/02	93-0551	11:26	0.1 i	20.8	7.1 c	313	201		6.6	73
09/17/02	93-0563	04:51	0.1 i	17.8	7.2 c	674	431		7.4	76

# BENNETTS POND BROOK (Saris: 9355625)

Unique\_ID: W0878 Station: BP01, Mile Point: 0.297

Description: at mall entrance south off Lynn Fells Parkway and east of Forest Street, Saugus (approximately 0.3 miles from confluence with Saugus River)

Date	OWMID	Time	Depth	Temp	рH	Cond@ 25C	TDS	SAL	DO	SAT
		(24hr)	(m)	(C)	(SU)	(uS/cm)	(mg/l)	(ppt)	(mg/l)	(%)
05/06/02	93-0292	11:02	0.4	13.5	6.9 c	659	422		11.8	110
05/07/02	93-0305	03:57	## i	12.7	6.7	673	431		8.5	79
06/10/02	93-0352	12:17	0.4	15.5	6.8	617	395		8.9 mu	87 mu
06/11/02	93-0363	05:01	0.3	14.3	6.8	639	409		8.7	83
07/15/02	93-0416	11:52	0.1 i	19.7	7.1	582	372		8.7	93
07/16/02	93-0427	05:44	0.1 i	16.7	7.0	576	369	-	8.1 i	82 i
08/12/02	93-0480	12:09	## ir	21.4	7.2 c	566	362		8.6 u	96 u
08/13/02	93-0491	05:33	## ir	19.3	6.9 c	569	364		7.8 u	83 u
09/16/02	93-0553	11:48	0.1 i	20.1	6.6	559	358		6.0	65
09/17/02	93-0564	05:07	0.2	17.8	6.5	271	173		6.3	65

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- " c " = Greater than calibration standard used for pre-calibration, or outside the acceptable range about the calibration standard.
- "i" = Inaccurate readings from multiprobe likely.
- "m" = Method not followed; one or more protocols contained in the DWM Multi-probe SOP not followed, i.e., operator error [e.g., less than three readings per station (rivers) or per depth (lakes), or instrument failure not allowing method to be implemented.]

" u " = Unstable readings, due to lack of sufficient equilibration time prior to final readings, non-representative location, highlyvariable water quality conditions, etc.

"r" = Data not representative of actual field conditions.

## Table 8. 2002 MassDEP North Coastal Drainage Area Physicochemical and Bacteria Data.

OWMID (sample ID), Fecal coliform, E. coli, Enterococcus, Ammonia-Nitrogen (NH3-N), Total Phosphorus (TP), and Total Suspended Solids (TSS)

North Coastal (2002) (QC Status: 4) Exported: 9/21/2005 4:28:43 PM

# Unnamed Tributary Unique\_ID: W0880 Station: TL01, Mile Point: 1.112

Description: unnamed tributary to Pines River locally known as Town Line Brook, north of Fuller Street, Everett at northern end of Beth Israel Cemetery, Malden

Date	OWMID	QAQC	Time	Fecal	E.coli	Entero	NH3-N	TP	TSS
			(24hr)	CFU/100mL	CFU/100mL	CFU/100mL	mg/L	mg/L	mg/L
05/08/02	93-0318	93-0319	11:40	78	## j	39	0.37 a	0.040 a	5.8 d
05/08/02	93-0319	93-0318	11:40	59	## j	78	0.39 a	0.040 a	7.7 d
06/12/02	93-0380	93-0381	**	8400	6400	650	0.10 ad	0.090 a	9.4
06/12/02	93-0381	93-0380	**	8200	6400	720	0.13 ad	0.089 a	7.8
07/17/02	93-0446		12:45	550	210	98	<0.02	0.092 a	12
08/14/02	93-0510		**	1700	660	720 j	0.09 a	0.20 a	11
09/06/02	No Flow		**						
09/18/02	No Flow		**				-		
09/18/02	93-0583		13:15	1700	560	800	<0.30 a	0.084 a	11

#### ESSEX RIVER (Saris: 9354625)

Unique\_ID: W0890 Station: ER01, Mile Point: 3.131 Description: Route 133 (Main Street) Essex

Date	OWMID	QAQC	Time	Fecal	E.coli	Entero	NH3-N	TP	TSS
			(24hr)	CFU/100mL	CFU/100mL	CFU/100mL	mg/L	mg/L	mg/L
05/08/02	93-0308		08:50	<20	## j	<20			
06/12/02	93-0366		08:45	340 e	360 e	240			
07/17/02	93-0430		09:05	6	6	52			
08/14/02	93-0494		08:45	1000	19	39 j	-		
09/18/02	93-0567	-	09:12	19	13	13	-	-	-

# ALEWIFE BROOK (Saris: 9354725)

# Unique ID: W0879 Station: AL01, Mile Point: 0.001

Description: upstream of stormdrain coming in from northwest side of brook at Apple Street, Essex

Date	OWMID	QAQC	Time	Fecal	E.coli	Entero	NH3-N	TP	TSS
			(24hr)	CFU/100mL	CFU/100mL	CFU/100mL	mg/L	mg/L	mg/L
05/06/02	93-0263		08:10	20 de	59 e	<20 d	<0.02	0.020	1.0
06/10/02	93-0329		08:10	120	90	130 d	<0.06	0.028	<1.0
07/15/02	93-0393		07:55	390 e	400 e	250	0.08	0.048	30
08/12/02	93-0457		08:25	97	71	65	<0.02	0.036 j	5.5
09/16/02	93-0530		08:15	19000		120000	0.07	0.10	10

#### MILL RIVER (Saris: 9354850)

#### Unique ID: W0891 Station: MR01, Mile Point: 0.001

Description: downstream at Route 127 (Washington Street), Gloucester

Date	OWMID	QAQC	Time	Fecal	E.coli	Entero	NH3-N	TP	TSS
			(24hr)	CFU/100mL	CFU/100mL	CFU/100mL	mg/L	mg/L	mg/L
05/08/02	93-0306		08:30	<20	## j	39			
06/12/02	93-0364		08:10	52	39	19			
07/17/02	93-0428		08:10	<6	<6	<6			
08/14/02	93-0492		08:20	19	6	13 j			
09/18/02	93-0565		08:35	45	26	6			

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- 'estimated' value; used for lab-related issues where certain lab QC criteria are not met and re-testing is not possible (as " j " = identified by the WES lab only). Also used to report sample data where the sample concentration is less than the 'reporting' limit or RDL and greater than the method detection limit or MDL (mdl< x <rdl). Also used to note where values have been reported at levels less than the mdl.

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## CAT BROOK (Saris: 9355050)

Unique\_ID: W0889 Station: SM03, Mile Point: 0.701 Description: Lincoln Street. Manchester

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Date	OWMID	QAQC	Time	Fecal	E.coli	Entero	NH3-N	TP	TSS
			(24hr)	CFU/100mL	CFU/100mL	CFU/100mL	mg/L	mg/L	mg/L
05/06/02	93-0267		08:55	20 d	20	78 d			
06/10/02	93-0333		08:55	240 e	310 e	210 d			
07/15/02	93-0397		08:30	490	97	180	-	-	-
08/12/02	93-0461		09:00	490	440	930	-	-	-
09/16/02	93-0534		08:50	6800		200			

#### CAUSEWAY BROOK (Saris: 9355075) Unique\_ID: W0888 Station: CB01, Mile Point: 0.077 Description: Lincoln Street, Manchester

Date	OWMID	QAQC	Time	Fecal	E.coli	Entero	NH3-N	TP	TSS
			(24hr)	CFU/100mL	CFU/100mL	CFU/100mL	mg/L	mg/L	mg/L
05/06/02	93-0265		08:45	20 de	59 e	20 d			
06/10/02	93-0331		08:40	230 e	310 e	240 d			
07/15/02	93-0395		08:20	68	58	300			
08/12/02	93-0459		08:50	760 e	1500 e	460	-		
09/16/02	93-0532		08:40	10000		7800			

## DANVERS RIVER (Saris: 9355200) Unique\_ID: W0886 Station: DR01, Mile Point: 0.816

Description: Kernwood Street, Beverly/Salem

Date	OWMID	QAQC	Time	Fecal	E.coli	Entero	NH3-N	TP	TSS
			(24hr)	CFU/100mL	CFU/100mL	CFU/100mL	mg/L	mg/L	mg/L
05/08/02	93-0312		09:55	<20	## j	<20	<0.06 a	0.021a	5.5
06/12/02	93-0372		10:39	26 e	32 e	13	<0.04 a	0.060 a	5.9
07/17/02	93-0436		10:30	6	<6	<6	<0.06 a	0.066 a	11
08/14/02	93-0500	-	10:15	45	6	13 j	<0.20 a	0.15 a	88
09/18/02	93-0573	-	10:56	73	7	13	<0.10 a	0.041 a	4.1

## FROST FISH BROOK (Saris: 9355250) Unique\_ID: W0881 Station: FF00, Mile Point: 0.011

Date	OWMID	QAQC	Time	Fecal	E.coli	Entero	NH3-N	TP	TSS
			(24hr)	CFU/100mL	CFU/100mL	CFU/100mL	mg/L	mg/L	mg/L
05/06/02	93-0269		09:30	20 de	78 e	330 d	<0.02	0.026	1.2
06/12/02	93-0368		09:30	14000	13000	1100	<0.04	0.038	1.2
07/17/02	93-0432		09:25	5800	1000	1400	0.08	0.048	2.3
08/14/02	93-0496		09:25	8000	4400	2400 j	0.12	0.060	2.0
09/18/02	93-0569		09:40	7200	2400	1100	<0.10 a	0.11 a	5.2

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# CRANE RIVER (Saris: 9355275)

Unique\_ID: W0452 Station: CR01, Mile Point: 1.547 Description: Ash Street Danvers

Date	OWMID	QAQC	Time	Fecal	E.coli	Entero	NH3-N	TP	TSS
			(24hr)	CFU/100mL	CFU/100mL	CFU/100mL	mg/L	mg/L	mg/L
05/06/02	93-0275	93-0276	10:35	10 d	10	20 d	<0.02	0.031	2.9
05/06/02	93-0276	93-0275	10:35	59 d	<20	98 d	<0.02	0.033	2.3
06/10/02	93-0339		10:01	150	58	170 d	0.07	0.063	7.8
07/15/02	93-0403		09:35	200	84	210	0.07	0.076	6.0
08/12/02	93-0467		10:00	77	19	58	<0.02	0.063 j	2.4
09/16/02	93-0540		09:45	680		1200	<0.02	0.12	12

#### BEAVER BROOK (Saris: 9355300) Unique\_ID: W0450 Station: CR03, Mile Point: 0.071 Description: Holten Street, Danvers

Date	OWMID	QAQC	Time	Fecal	E.coli	Entero	NH3-N	TP	TSS
			(24hr)	CFU/100mL	CFU/100mL	CFU/100mL	mg/L	mg/L	mg/L
05/06/02	93-0271		09:59	<20 d	20	59 d			
06/10/02	93-0335		09:25	180	150	310 d			
07/15/02	93-0399		09:05	52 e	65 e	90			
08/12/02	93-0463		09:30	65	13	45			-
09/16/02	93-0536	-	09:20	580		560			

#### CRANE BROOK (Saris: 9355325) Unique\_ID: W0451 Station: CR02, Mile Point: 0.267 Description: Pine Street Danyers

Descriptio		,	-						
Date	OWMID	QAQC	Time	Fecal	E.coli	Entero	NH3-N	TP	TSS
			(24hr)	CFU/100mL	CFU/100mL	CFU/100mL	mg/L	mg/L	mg/L
05/06/02	93-0273		10:15	<20 d	<20	160 d			
06/10/02	93-0337		09:45	810 e	820 e	600 d			
07/15/02	93-0401		09:25	310	250	350			
08/12/02	93-0465	-	09:45	180	130	390	-	-	-
09/16/02	93-0538		09:33	17000		1000			

#### WATERS RIVER (Saris: 9355350) Unique\_ID: W0884 Station: WA00, Mile Point: 0.197 Description: Water Street (Route 35), Danvers

Date	OWMID	QAQC	Time	Fecal	E.coli	Entero	NH3-N	TP	TSS
			(24hr)	CFU/100mL	CFU/100mL	CFU/100mL	mg/L	mg/L	mg/L
05/08/02	93-0310		09:35	<20	## j	<20	<0.06 a	0.026 a	7.4
06/12/02	93-0370		10:00	140 e	180 e	52	<0.04 a	0.068 a	8.0
07/17/02	93-0434		10:00	26	13	6	0.09 a	0.073 a	<1.0
08/14/02	93-0498	-	09:49	97 e	100 e	84 j	<0.20 a	0.089 a	11
09/18/02	93-0571	-	10:22	6	<6	13	<0.10 a	0.056 a	4.4

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# Table 8. (Continued) 2002 MassDEP North Coastal Drainage Area Physicochemical and Bacteria Data.

### PROCTOR BROOK (Saris: 9355400) Unique\_ID: W0887 Station: PB03, Mile Point: 0.728

Descriptio	n: Grove St	reet, Sale	m						
Date	OWMID	QAQC	Time	Fecal	E.coli	Entero	NH3-N	TP	TSS
			(24hr)	CFU/100mL	CFU/100mL	CFU/100mL	mg/L	mg/L	mg/L
05/06/02	93-0281		08:50	330	20	98	0.08 a	0.028 a	1.0
06/12/02	93-0374		11:12	3000	1300	5800	<0.04	0.044	2.3
07/17/02	93-0438		10:55	500	140	71	0.06	0.057	3.8
08/14/02	93-0502		10:40	1400	530	650 j	0.10	0.067 a	3.3
09/18/02	93-0575	-	11:30	1800	900	400	<0.10 a	0.078 a	4.7

#### GOLDTHWAIT BROOK (Saris: 9355450) Unique ID: W0454 Station: GB01, Mile Point: 0.457 Description: Foster Street, Peabody

Description. Toster Street, Teabody											
Date	OWMID	QAQC	Time	Fecal	E.coli	Entero	NH3-N	TP	TSS		
			(24hr)	CFU/100mL	CFU/100mL	CFU/100mL	mg/L	mg/L	mg/L		
05/06/02	93-0279		08:15	78	<20	39	<0.02	0.027	1.9		
06/10/02	93-0341		10:30	100 e	120 e	13 d	0.08	0.036	1.5		
07/15/02	93-0405		10:10	270	170	140	0.50	0.047	2.1		
08/12/02	93-0469		10:25	1100	590	390	0.73	0.20	36		
09/16/02	93-0542		10:10	8000		55000	0.58	0.21	16		

# FOREST RIVER (Saris: 9355500) Unique\_ID: W0885 Station: FR01A, Mile Point: 0.562

Departmentioner Lawrence Coloma	
Description: Loring Avenue, Salem	

Date	OWMID	QAQC	Time	Fecal	E.coli	Entero	NH3-N	TP	TSS
			(24hr)	CFU/100mL	CFU/100mL	CFU/100mL	mg/L	mg/L	mg/L
05/08/02	93-0314		10:26	10	## j	49	0.07 a	0.032 a	6.1
06/12/02	93-0376		11:35	850	740	900	<0.04 a	0.078 a	15
07/17/02	93-0440	93-0441	11:30	110	6 d	210	<0.06 a	0.063 a	5.9
07/17/02	93-0441	93-0440	11:30	120	39 d	130	0.06 a	0.062 a	5.6
08/14/02	93-0504	93-0505	11:05	19 d	19	2900 j	<0.20 a	0.11 a	14 d
08/14/02	93-0505	93-0504	11:05	65 d	26	2500 j	<0.20 a	0.094 a	17 d
09/18/02	93-0577	93-0578	12:07	52	19	570	<0.10 a	0.076 a	11 d
09/18/02	93-0578	93-0577	12:07	45	26	490	<0.10 a	0.083 a	15 d

# SAUGUS RIVER (Saris: 9355550) Unique\_ID: W0882 Station: SR04A, Mile Point: 12.439 Description: Vernon Street/Main Street. Wakefield/Lynnfield

Date	OWMID	QAQC	Time	Fecal	E.coli	Entero	NH3-N	TP	TSS
			(24hr)	CFU/100mL	CFU/100mL	CFU/100mL	mg/L	mg/L	mg/L
05/06/02	93-0283		09:30	39	20	29	0.15	0.063	6.6
06/10/02	93-0343		11:00	130 e	170 e	130 d	0.33	0.13	14
07/15/02	93-0407		10:35	630	190	120	0.10	0.16	19
08/12/02	93-0471		10:58	1400	1200	400	<0.06	0.091	20
09/16/02	93-0544		10:40	20000		16000	0.10	0.15	18

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#### SAUGUS RIVER (Saris: 9355550) Unique\_ID: W0883 Station: SR01B, Mile Point: 4.963 Description: Elm Street, Saugus

Description: Elm Street, Saugus											
Date	OWMID	QAQC	Time	Fecal	E.coli	Entero	NH3-N	TP	TSS		
			(24hr)	CFU/100mL	CFU/100mL	CFU/100mL	mg/L	mg/L	mg/L		
05/06/02	93-0285		10:00	220	<20	20	<0.02	0.034	2.8		
06/10/02	93-0345		11:30	210 e	240 e	290 d	<0.06	0.053	3.6		
07/15/02	93-0409	93-0410	11:15	340	150	140	<0.02	0.083	4.2		
07/15/02	93-0410	93-0409	11:15	290	140	230	<0.06	0.085	4.5		
08/12/02	93-0473	93-0474	11:25	400	360	330	<0.02	0.054	1.4		
08/12/02	93-0474	93-0473	11:25	420	410	350	<0.02	0.053	1.3		
09/16/02	93-0546	93-0547	11:05	14000		24000	<0.06	0.059	2.6		
09/16/02	93-0547	93-0546	11:05	17000		22000	<0.06	0.059	3.0		

# SAUGUS RIVER (Saris: 9355550) Unique\_ID: W0892 Station: SR00, Mile Point: 0.963

Description: approximately 800 feet upstream of Route 107, Saugus

Date	OWMID	QÁQC	Time	Fecal	E.coli	Entero	NH3-N	TP	TSS
			(24hr)	CFU/100mL	CFU/100mL	CFU/100mL	mg/L	mg/L	mg/L
05/08/02	93-0316		11:05	<20	## j	<20			
06/12/02	93-0378		12:15	330	220	84			
07/17/02	93-0444		12:10	130	<6	<6			
08/14/02	93-0508		11:48	210	77	<6 j			
09/18/02	93-0581		12:50	58	<6	39			

#### SHUTE BROOK (Saris: 9355575)

#### Unique\_ID: W0877 Station: SB01, Mile Point: 0.808

Description: upstream of Central Street (upstream of railroad tracks), Saugus

Date	OWMID	QAQC	Time	Fecal	E.coli	Entero	NH3-N	TP	TSS
			(24hr)	CFU/100mL	CFU/100mL	CFU/100mL	mg/L	mg/L	mg/L
05/06/02	93-0287		10:40	440	<20	78	<0.06	0.030	1.7
06/10/02	93-0347		11:50	500	270	660 d	0.11	0.037	2.1
07/15/02	93-0413	-	11:30	2200	590	2200	0.08	0.036	<1.0
08/12/02	93-0477	-	11:40	2600	2200	1700	<0.02	0.054	<1.0
09/16/02	93-0550		11:20	28000		32000	0.07	0.098	7.0

# BENNETTS POND BROOK (Saris: 9355625)

Unique\_ID: W0878 Station: BP01, Mile Point: 0.297

Description: at mall entrance south off Lynn Fells Parkway and east of Forest Street, Saugus (approximately 0.3 miles from confluence with Saugus River)

Date	OWMID	QAQC	Time	Fecal	E.coli	Entero	NH3-N	TP	TSS
			(24hr)	CFU/100mL	CFU/100mL	CFU/100mL	mg/L	mg/L	mg/L
05/06/02	93-0289	93-0290	11:00	220	20	39	<0.02	0.024	1.6
05/06/02	93-0290	93-0289	11:00	220	<20	59	<0.02	0.023	1.2
06/10/02	93-0349	93-0350	12:18	1700	1500	5000 d	<0.06	0.049	3.5
06/10/02	93-0350	93-0349	12:18	1600	1300	970 d	<0.06	0.058	3.6
07/15/02	93-0415		11:50	4200	500	3200	<0.02	0.028	1.3
08/12/02	93-0479		12:05	1500	1100	1600	<0.02	0.025	<1.0
09/16/02	93-0552		11:40	9400		6600	<0.06	0.19	2.2

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"e" = Not theoretically possible. Specifically, used for bacteria data where colonies per unit volume for e-coli bacteria > fecal coliform bacteria and for other incongruous or conflicting results.

"j" = 'estimated' value; used for lab-related issues where certain lab QC criteria are not met and re-testing is not possible (as identified by the WES lab only). Also used to report sample data where the sample concentration is less than the 'reporting' limit or RDL and greater than the method detection limit or MDL (mdl< x <rdl). Also used to note where values have been reported at levels less than the mdl.

# QUALITY CONTROL DATA

North Coastal Drainage Area quality control data for trip blanks and field duplicate samples can be found in Tables 9 and 10. Additional information pertaining to the data validation process is provided in Appendix 1. Data qualifiers are presented at the bottom of each table and in Appendix 2.

### Table 9. 2002 MassDEP North Coastal Drainage Area Quality Control Data-Blanks.

OWMID (sample ID), Fecal coliform, *E. coli*, Enterococcus, Ammonia-Nitrogen (NH3-N), Total Phosphorus (TP), and Total Suspended Solids (TSS)

Date	OWMID	QAQC	Time	Fecal	E.coli	Entero	NH3-N	ТР	TSS
			(24hr)	CFU/100mL	CFU/100mL	CFU/100mL	mg/L	mg/L	mg/L
05/06/02	93-0277	Blank	10:35j	<20 d	<20	<20 d	<0.02	<0.005	<1.0
05/06/02	93-0291	Blank	11:00j	<20	<20	<20	<0.02	<0.005	<1.0
05/08/02	93-0320	Blank	11:34j	<20	[##] j	20 b	<0.02	<0.005	<1.0
06/10/02	93-0351	Blank	12:15j	<6	<6	<6 d	<0.02	<0.005	<1.0
06/12/02	93-0382	Blank	**	<6	<6	<6	<0.04	<0.005	<1.0
07/15/02	93-0411	Blank	11:15j	<6	<6	<6	<0.02	<0.005	<1.0
07/17/02	93-0442	Blank	11:30j	<6	<6	<6	<0.06	<0.005	<1.0
08/12/02	93-0475	Blank	11:25j	<6	<6	<6	<0.02	<0.005	<1.0
08/14/02	93-0506	Blank	**	<6	<6	<6 j	<0.04	<0.005	<1.0
09/16/02	93-0548	Blank	11:05j	<6		<6	<0.02	<0.005	<1.0
09/18/02	93-0579	Blank	12:07j	<6	<6	<6	<0.10	<0.005	<1.0

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" b " = blank Contamination in lab reagent blanks and/or field blank samples (indicating possible bias high and false positives). " j " = 'estimated' value; used for lab-related issues where certain lab QC criteria are not met and re-testing is not possible (as

" = 'estimated' value; used for lab-related issues where certain lab QC criteria are not met and re-testing is not possible (as identified by the WES lab only). Also used to report sample data where the sample concentration is less than the 'reporting' limit or RDL and greater than the method detection limit or MDL (mdl< x <rdl). Also used to note where values have been reported at levels less than the mdl.

# Table 10. 2002 MassDEP North Coastal Drainage Area Quality Control Data-Duplicates

OWMID (sample ID), Fecal coliform, *E. coli*, Enterococcus, Ammonia-Nitrogen (NH3-N), Total Phosphorus (TP), and Total Suspended Solids (TSS)

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**Unnamed Tributary** 

### Unique\_ID: W0880 Station: TL01, Mile Point: 1.112

Description: unnamed tributary to Pines River locally known as Town Line Brook, north of Fuller Street, Everett at northern end of Beth Israel Cemetery, Malden

Date	OWMID	QAQC	Time	Log10(Fecal)	Log10(E.coli)	Log10(Entero)	NH3-N	TP	TSS
			(24hr)	CFU/100mL	CFU/100mL	CFU/100mL	mg/L	mg/L	mg/L
05/08/02	93-0318	93-0319	11:40	1.892	## j	1.591	0.37 a	0.040 a	5.8 d
05/08/02	93-0319	93-0318	11:40	1.771	## j	1.892	0.39 a	0.040 a	7.7 d
Relative	Percent	Difference		6.6%		17.3%	5.3%	0.0%	28.1%
06/12/02	93-0380	93-0381	**	3.924	3.806	2.813	0.10 ad	0.090 a	9.4
06/12/02	93-0381	93-0380	**	3.914	3.806	2.857	0.13 ad	0.089 a	7.8
Relative	Percent	Difference		0.3%	0.0%	1.6%	26.1%	1.1%	18.6%

# Table 10. (Continued) 2002 MassDEP North Coastal Drainage Area Quality Control Data-Duplicates

# CRANE RIVER (Saris: 9355275)

Unique\_ID: W0452 Station: CR01, Mile Point: 1.547 Description: Ash Street. Danvers

Description		el, Danvers							
Date	OWMID	QAQC	Time	Log10(Fecal)	Log10(E.coli)	Log10(Entero)	NH3-N	TP	TSS
			(24hr)	CFU/100mL	CFU/100mL	CFU/100mL	mg/L	mg/L	mg/L
05/06/02	93-0275	93-0276	10:35	1.000 d	1.000	1.301 d	<0.02	0.031	2.9
05/06/02	93-0276	93-0275	10:35	1.771 d	1.301	1.991 d	<0.02	0.033	2.3
Relative	Percent	Difference		55.6%	26.2%	41.9%	0.0%	6.3%	23.1%

#### FOREST RIVER (Saris: 9355500)

Unique\_ID: W0885 Station: FR01A, Mile Point: 0.562

## Description: Loring Avenue, Salem

Date	OWMID	QAQC	Time	Log10(Fecal)	Log10(E.coli)	Log10(Entero)	NH3-N	TP	TSS
			(24hr)	CFU/100mL	CFU/100mL	CFU/100mL	mg/L	mg/L	mg/L
07/17/02	93-0440	93-0441	11:30	2.041	0.778 d	2.322	<0.06 a	0.063 a	5.9
07/17/02	93-0441	93-0440	11:30	2.079	1.591 d	2.114	0.06 a	0.062 a	5.6
Relative	Percent	Difference		1.8%	68.6%	9.4%	0.0%	1.6%	5.2%
08/14/02	93-0504	93-0505	11:05	1.279 d	1.279	3.462 j	<0.20 a	0.11 a	14 d
08/14/02	93-0505	93-0504	11:05	1.813 d	1.415	3.398 j	<0.20 a	0.094 a	17 d
Relative	Percent	Difference		34.6%	10.1%	1.9%	0.0%	15.7%	19.4%
09/18/02	93-0577	93-0578	12:07	1.716	1.279	2.756	<0.10 a	0.076 a	11 d
09/18/02	93-0578	93-0577	12:07	1.653	1.415	2.690	<0.10 a	0.083 a	15 d
Relative	Percent	Difference		3.7%	10.1%	2.4%	0.0%	8.8%	30.8%

# SAUGUS RIVER (Saris: 9355550) Unique\_ID: W0883 Station: SR01B, Mile Point: 4.963

Date	OWMID	QAQC	Time	Log10(Fecal)	Log10(E.coli)	Log10(Entero)	NH3-N	TP	TSS
			(24hr)	CFU/100mL	CFU/100mL	CFU/100mL	mg/L	mg/L	mg/L
07/15/02	93-0409	93-0410	11:15	2.531	2.176	2.146	<0.02	0.083	4.2
07/15/02	93-0410	93-0409	11:15	2.462	2.146	2.362	<0.06	0.085	4.5
Relative	Percent	Difference		2.8%	1.4%	9.6%	100.0%	2.4%	6.9%
08/12/02	93-0473	93-0474	11:25	2.602	2.556	2.519	<0.02	0.054	1.4
08/12/02	93-0474	93-0473	11:25	2.623	2.613	2.544	<0.02	0.053	1.3
Relative	Percent	Difference		0.8%	2.2%	1.0%	0.0%	1.9%	7.4%
09/16/02	93-0546	93-0547	11:05	4.146		4.380	<0.06	0.059	2.6
09/16/02	93-0547	93-0546	11:05	4.230		4.342	<0.06	0.059	3.0
Relative	Percent	Difference		2.0%		0.9%	0.0%	0.0%	14.3%

#### BENNETTS POND BROOK (Saris: 9355625)

#### Unique\_ID: W0878 Station: BP01, Mile Point: 0.297

Description: at mall entrance south off Lynn Fells Parkway and east of Forest Street, Saugus (approximately 0.3 miles from confluence with Saugus River)

Date	OWMID	QAQC	Time	Log10(Fecal)	Log10(E.coli)	Log10(Entero)	NH3-N	TP	TSS
			(24hr)	CFU/100mL	CFU/100mL	CFU/100mL	mg/L	mg/L	mg/L
05/06/02	93-0289	93-0290	11:00	2.342	1.301	1.591	<0.02	0.024	1.6
05/06/02	93-0290	93-0289	11:00	2.342	1.301	1.771	<0.02	0.023	1.2
Relative	Percent	Difference		0.0%	0.0%	10.7%	0.0%	4.3%	28.6%
06/10/02	93-0349	93-0350	12:18	3.230	3.176	3.699 d	<0.06	0.049	3.5
06/10/02	93-0350	93-0349	12:18	3.204	3.114	2.987 d	<0.06	0.058	3.6
Relative	Percent	Difference		0.8%	2.0%	21.3%	0.0%	16.8%	2.8%

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# Appendix 1

# Quality Assurance/Quality Control Data Validation for the North Coastal Drainage Area 2002 Water Quality Survey

Selected Excerpts from: Data Validation Report for Year 2002 Project Data (CN 202.0)

# 4.0 2002 *In-situ* Multiprobe Data

# 4.1 <u>General Validation Criteria for 2002 *In-situ* Multi-probe Data</u>

The following non-probe-specific validation criteria for multi-probe data were used:

• **Consistency with the Multi-probe SOP** (specifically, the requirement for three (minimum)-five (preferred) sequential readings one-minute-apart at appropriate depths, proper field use, etc.). Where appropriate, "**m**" qualifier is used. NOTE: only Hydrolab Series <sup>3</sup>/<sub>4</sub> used in 2002.

• **Representativeness** of data (review of fieldsheets and notes for any information that might indicate non-representativeness; eg. not taken at the deep hole). Where appropriate, "**r**" qualifier is used.

• Check for **"outliers" or unreasonable data**, based on best professional judgment. Outliers are identified and reviewed for potential qualification or censoring ("**r**").

• <u>Multi-probe **record acceptance**</u>: Within each set of records for individual OWMID #s, automatically accept the final line of data for each depth where the change in depth from the previous accepted-record-depth is greater than 0.2 meters, subject to review and change by the multi-probe review team. (Note: where no electronic data is available and fieldsheet data is used, an "s" qualifier is applied)

# 4.2 <u>Probe-Specific Validation Criteria</u>

• **Overall accuracy** of readings are assessed through review of pre-survey calibration/check and post-survey check data for each parameter, field notes for any information on faulty operation and/or unusual field conditions, ranges of calibration standards used and by checking stability of readings (latter for attended data only). This review may have resulted in the use of the "**i**", "**c**" and/or "**u**" qualifiers.

For lake depth profiles, more leeway is given to apparently unstable multi-probe data, given that thermal stratification can cause rapid, natural changes in parameters within the thermocline.

The specific criteria used for both attended (during a defined survey) and unattended (continuous recording mode) are outlined in the Data Validation Report for Year 2002 Project Data (CN 202.0).

# 5.0 2002 Discrete Water Sample Data

# 5.1 <u>QA/QC Objectives and Criteria for 2002 Discrete Water Sample Data</u>

In general, critical review and evaluation of 2002 data involved the following quality assurance elements. Also, see the Data Validation Report for Year 2002 Project Data (CN 202.0) for more detailed outline of data validation criteria.

- A) Analytical Holding Time (analyte-specific)
- B) Quality Control Sample Frequency (At a minimum, one field blank and one replicate must be collected for every ten samples by any given sampling crew on any given date.)
- C) Field Blanks (Field blanks were prepared at the DWM Worcester Laboratory. Reagent grade water was transported into the field in a sample container where it was transferred into a different sample container directly or via a sampling device (equipment blank) using the same methods as for its corresponding field sample (e.g., blank samples were preserved in the same way). All blanks were submitted to the WES laboratory "blind".)
- D) Field Replicates (in 2002, field duplicate samples for rivers were taken as co-located, simultaneous duplicates. As a result, these duplicate results include any spatial, natural variability present between side-by-side samples, which should be minimal in most cases where site selection has accounted for uniform mixing. Duplicate lake samples were sequential and therefore also include any temporal variability. Samples were submitted to WES laboratory "blind".)
- E) Field and/or Lab Audits (as available)
- F) Laboratory assessment of analytical precision and accuracy: The WES Laboratory is solely responsible for the administration of its Quality Assurance Program and Standard Operating Procedures. WES staff release discrete water sample data when their established QA/QC criteria have been met. When the following criteria cannot be met, data are qualified using appropriate qualifiers:

• <u>Low Calibration Standards</u> – Checks the stability of the instrument's calibration curve; analyzes the accuracy of an instrument's calibration within a 5% range.

• <u>Reference Standards</u> – Generally, a second source standard (a standard different from the calibration stock standard) that analyzes the method accuracy.

• <u>Laboratory Reagent Blank/Method Blank</u> (LRB) – Reagent grade water (de-ionized) extracted with every sample set used to ensure that the system is free of target analytes (< MDL) and to assess potential blank contamination.

• <u>Duplicate Sample</u> – Measures the precision (as Relative Percent Difference or RPD) of the analytical process. The acceptable laboratory %RPD range is typically  $\leq$  25%. For bacteria, duplicate data are evaluated based the range of logged values.

• <u>Spike Sample</u> (Laboratory Fortified Blank - LFB, Laboratory Fortified Matrix - LFM)– Measures the accuracy (% Recovery) of an analytical method. The acceptable laboratory % recovery range is typically between 80 - 120% for LFB samples and 70 - 130% for LFM discrete water samples.

# 5.2 Field and Lab Audit Results

In 2002, three field audits (total) were performed by DWM's QC Analyst. These audits involved six different DWM staff members. All audits concluded that staff performance was fair-excellent in terms of SOP adherence. Audit results did not impact validation of survey sample results.

# 5.3 QA/QC Issues and Considerations for 2002 Data

The following is particularly noteworthy regarding 2002 DWM/CERO surveys. The validation decisions contained in the tables below reflect this consideration.

Pre-rinsing sample bottles: Sample collection in 2002 was performed without pre-rinsing sample bottles. (Precautionary pre-rinsing was started in mid-June 2003, based on the occasional finding of small amounts of visible particles in some of the new, pre-cleaned sample bottles). Due to uncertainty regarding the extent of this problem and lack of any comparison data to evaluate its effects on specific analytes, this issue did not affect 2002 data validation decisions.

# 5.4 <u>2002 Censored/Qualified Discrete Water Sample Data (by analyte)</u>

A complete summary of Year 2002 data decisions (censored or qualified) for discrete water samples collected from the North Coastal Drainage Area is available upon request.

# Appendix 2

# Data Symbols and Qualifiers for the North Coastal Drainage Area 2002 Water Quality Survey

# Selected Excerpts from: Data Validation Report for Year 2002 Project Data (CN 202.0)

The following data qualifiers or symbols are used in the MADEP/DWM WQD database for qualified and censored water quality and multi-probe data. Decisions regarding censoring vs. qualification for specific, problematic data are made based on a thorough review of all pertinent information related to the data.

# General Symbols (applicable to all types):

"## " = Censored data (i.e., data that has been discarded for some reason). *NOTE: Prior to 2001 data,* "\*\*" *denoted either censored or missing data.* 

- "\*\* " = Missing data (i.e., data that should have been reported). See NOTE above.
- "-- " = No data (i.e., data not taken/not required)
- \* = Analysis performed by Laboratory OTHER than DEP's Wall Experiment Station (WES)

[] = A result reported inside brackets has been "censored", but is shown for informational purposes (e.g., high blank results).

# Multi-probe-specific Qualifiers:

" i " = inaccurate readings from Multi-probe <u>likely</u>; may be due to significant pre-survey calibration problems, post-survey checks outside typical acceptance ranges for the low ionic and deionized water checks, lack of calibration of the depth sensor prior to use, or to checks against laboratory analyses. Where documentation on unit pre-calibration is lacking, but SOPs at the time of sampling dictated pre-calibration prior to use, then data are considered <u>potentially</u> inaccurate.

# Qualification Criteria for Depth (i):

General Depth Criteria: Apply to each OWMID#

- Clearly erroneous readings due to faulty depth sensor: Censor (i)
- Negative and zero depth readings: Censor (i); (likely in error)
- 0.1 m depth readings: Qualify (i); (potentially in error)
- 0.2 and greater depth readings: Accept without qualification; (likely accurate)

**Specific Depth Criteria**: Apply to entirety of depth data for survey date

 If zero and/or negative depth readings occur more than once per survey date, censor all negative/zero depth data, and qualify all other depth data for that survey (indicates that erroneous depth readings were not recognized in the field and that corrective action (field calibration of the depth sensor) was not taken, ie. that all positive readings may be in error.) " m " = method not followed; one or more protocols contained in the DWM Multi-probe SOP not followed, ie. operator error (eg. less than 3 readings per station (rivers) or per depth (lakes), or instrument failure not allowing method to be implemented.

" s " = field sheet recorded data were used to accept data, not data electronically recorded in the Multi-probe surveyor unit, due to operator error or equipment failure.

" u " = unstable readings, due to lack of sufficient equilibration time prior to final readings, nonrepresentative location, highly-variable water quality conditions, etc. See Section 4.1 for acceptance criteria.

" c " = greater than calibration standard used for pre-calibration, or outside the acceptable range about the calibration standard. Typically used for <u>conductivity</u> (>718, 1,413, 2,760, 6,668 or 12,900 uS/cm) or <u>turbidity</u> (>10, 20 or 40 NTU). It can also be used for <u>TDS and Salinity</u> calculations based on qualified ("c") conductivity data, or that the calculation was not possible due to censored conductivity data (TDS and Salinity are calculated values and entirely based on conductivity reading). See Section 4.1 for acceptance criteria.

"r" = data not representative of actual field conditions.

"?" = Light interference on Turbidity sensor (Hydrolab error message). Data is typically censored.

# Sample-Specific Qualifiers:

" a " = accuracy as estimated at WES Lab via matrix spikes, PT sample recoveries, internal check standards and lab-fortified blanks did not meet project data quality objectives identified for program or in QAPP.

" b " = blank Contamination in lab reagant blanks and/or field blank samples (indicating possible bias high and false positives).

" d " = precision of field duplicates (as RPD) did not meet project data quality objectives identified for program or in QAPP. Batched samples may also be affected.

" e " = not theoretically possible. Specifically, used for bacteria data where colonies per unit volume for e-coli bacteria > fecal coliform bacteria, for lake Secchi and station depth data where a specific Secchi depth is greater than the reported station depth, and for other incongruous or conflicting results.

" f " = frequency of quality control duplicates did not meet data quality objectives identified for program or in QAPP.

" h " = holding time violation (usually indicating possible bias low)

" j " = 'estimated' value; used for lab-related issues where certain lab QC criteria are not met and re-testing is not possible (as identified by the WES lab only). Also used to report sample data where the sample concentration is less than the 'reporting' limit or RDL and greater than the method detection limit or MDL (mdl< x <rdl). Also used to note where values have been reported at levels less than the mdl. " m " = method SOP not followed, only partially implemented or not implemented at all, due to complications with sample matrix (eg. sediment in sample, floc formation), lab error (eg. cross-contamination between samples), additional steps taken by the lab to deal with matrix complications, lost/unanalyzed samples, and missing data.

" p " = samples not preserved per SOP or analytical method requirements.

"r" = samples collected may not be representative of actual field conditions, including the possibility of "outlier" data and flow-limited conditions (e.g., pooled).

# APPENDIX C DWM 2002 LAKE SURVEY DATA IN THE NORTH SHORE COASTAL WATERSHEDS

In the North Shore Coastal Watersheds, the MassDEP Division of Watershed Management (DWM) staff conducted baseline lake surveys at Beck, Coy, Pillings, and West ponds between July and September 2002. The surveys were conducted to coincide with maximum growth of aquatic vegetation, highest recreational use, and highest lake productivity. *In-situ* measurements using the Hydrolab® multiprobe (including dissolved oxygen, water temperature, pH, conductivity, and depth and calculates total dissolved solids and % oxygen saturation) were recorded once in each waterbody. At deep-hole stations measurements were recorded at various depths creating profiles. In-lake samples were also collected and analyzed for alkalinity, total phosphorus, apparent color, and chlorophyll *a* (an integrated sample).

Procedures used for water sampling and sample handling are described in the *Grab Collection Techniques for DWM Water Quality Sampling Standard Operating Procedure* and the *Multiprobe Standard Operating Procedure* (MassDEP 2001a and MassDEP 2001b). Apparent color and chlorophyll *a* were measured according to standard procedures at the MassDEP DWM office in Worcester (MassDEP 2001c and MassDEP 2001d). The aquatic plant cover (native and non-native) and species distribution were mapped and recorded. Details on procedures used can be found in the *Quality Assurance Project Plan for TMDL Baseline Lakes Survey 2002* (MassDEP 2002).

The Wall Experiment Station (WES), the Department's analytical laboratory, supplied all sample bottles and field preservatives, which were prepared according to the WES *Laboratory Quality Assurance Plan and Standard Operating Procedures* (MassDEP 1995). Samples were preserved in the field as necessary, transported on ice to WES, and analyzed according to the WES Standard Operating Procedures (SOP). Quality control samples (field blanks and duplicates) were also taken and transported on ice to WES on each sampling date.

Information about data quality objectives (accuracy, precision, detection limits, holding times, representativeness and comparability) is available in the 2002 Data Validation Report (MassDEP 2005).

Water quality data were excerpted from the *Baseline Lake Survey 2002 Technical Memo* (Mattson in preparation) and are presented in tables C1 and C2. Symbols and qualifiers used for DWM data are provided in Attachment 1 (excerpted from data validation report).

### Table C1. 2002 MassDEP DWM North Shore Coastal Watersheds Baseline Lakes physico-chemical data.

#### Description: deep hole, Hamilton Secchi Secchi Time OWMID QAQC Chloride Chl-a Date Station Depth Time SmpTyp RelDepth Depth TP AppColor 24hr 24hr mg/m3 mg/L PCU mg/L m m --m 07/02/02 2.9 13:40 3.2 LB-2017 LB-2018 13:25 VDOR s 0.5 0.017 60\* am -----LB-2018 LB-2017 13:30 VDOR 0.5 0.022 60\* am s ----LB-2019 13:35 VDOR 2.5 0.019 --nb --------LB-2021 LB-2022 13:40 DINT 0 - 2.9 --3.8\* ---------LB-2021 LB-2022 13:45 DINT ---0 - 2.9 --3.9\* -----07/30/02 2.5 13:30 3.2 LB-2158 LB-2159 13:20 VDOR 0.5 ## b 45\* a s -----LB-2159 LB-2158 13:20 VDOR 0.5 ## b 49\* a s -----LB-2160 --13:25 VDOR 2.7 nb -----## b ---DINT 0 - 2.7 --LB-2162 LB-2163 13:35 2.9\* --------LB-2163 LB-2162 0 - 2.7 --13:35 DINT 3.4\* ---------08/21/02 2.3 14:15 3.3 LB-2299 LB-2300 14:00 VDOR s 0.5 --0.016 55\* ---LB-2300 LB-2299 14:05 VDOR 0.5 0.017 50\* s ------LB-2301 2.8 ---14:10 VDOR nb --0.024 -----LB-2303 LB-2304 14:20 DINT 0 - 2.8 --3.2\* --------LB-2304 LB-2303 14:25 DINT ---0 - 2.8 --3.8\* -----

#### NORTH COASTAL/Beck Pond, Unique ID: W0968 Station: A

#### NORTH COASTAL/Coy Pond, Unique ID: W0966 Station: A

Description: deep hole, center of pond, Wenham	Description: dee	p hole, cente	r of pond. W	enham
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Date	Secchi	Secchi Time	Station Depth	OWMID	QAQC	Time	SmpTyp	RelDepth	Depth	Chloride	Chl-a	TP	AppColor
	m	24hr	m			24hr			m	mg/L	mg/m3	mg/L	PCU
07/02/02	1.0	11:55	2.0										
				LB-2024		11:55	VDOR	S	0.5			0.021 b	120* am
				LB-2025		11:55	DINT		** _ **		11.7*		
07/30/02	1.4	12:20	2.1										
				LB-2165		12:15	VDOR	S	0.5			0.028	100* a
				LB-2166		12:20	DINT		0 - 1.5		18.2*		
08/21/02	1.2	12:00	1.8										
				LB-2307		11:55	VDOR	S	0.5			0.021 b	100*
				LB-2308		12:25	DINT		0 - 1.3		9.0*		

#### NORTH COASTAL/PILLINGS POND, UNIQUE ID: W0956 STATION: B

Date	Secchi	Secchi Time	Station Depth	OWMID	QAQC	Time	SmpTyp	RelDepth	Depth	Chloride	Chl-a	TP	AppColor
	m	24hr	m			24hr		-	m	mg/L	mg/m3	mg/L	PCU
07/02/02	1.0	10:00	1.4										
				LB-2030		10:00	VDOR	S	0.5			0.041	45* am
				LB-2031		10:05	DINT				17.4*		

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# NORTH COASTAL/Pillings Pond, Unique ID: W0985 Station: A Description: deep hole, southeastern end, Lynfield

Date	Secchi	Secchi Time	Station Depth	OWMID	QAQC	Time	SmpTyp	RelDepth	Depth	Chloride	Chl-a	ТР	AppColor
	m	24hr	m			24hr			m	mg/L	mg/m3	mg/L	PCU
07/30/02	0.6	10:45	7.3										
				LB- 2171		10:10	VDOR	S	0.5			0.045	35* a
				LB- 2371		10:40	VDOR	nb	6.8			0.31	
				LB- 2173		10:45	DINT		0 - 1.8		63*		
09/10/02	1.1	15:40	6.9										
				LB- 2312		16:00	VDOR	S	0.5			0.034 bf	37* f
				LB- 2313		16:05	MNGR	S	0.5			0.035 bf	38* f
				LB- 2314		16:10	VDOR	nb	**			0.53 bf	
				LB- 2316	LB- 2317	16:15	DINT		** _ **		24.1*		
				LB- 2317	LB- 2316	16:15	DINT		** _ **		23.3*		

# NORTH COASTAL/West Pond, Unique ID: W0967 Station: A

Description: deep hole southern end, Gloucester

Date	Secchi	Secchi Time	Station Depth	OWMID	QAQC	Time	SmpTyp	RelDepth	Depth	Chloride	Chl-a	TP	AppColor
	m	24hr	m			24hr			m	mg/L	mg/m3	mg/L	PCU
07/02/02	2.4	14:45	2.6										
				LB-2033		14:45	VDOR	S	0.5			0.009 i	23* am
				LB-2034		14:45	DINT		0 - 2.1		5.0*	, 	
07/30/02	0.6	14:30	2.6										
				LB-2175		14:30	VDOR	S	0.5			0.017	65* a
				LB-2176		14:35	VDOR	nb	2.1			0.019	
				LB-2177		14:40	DINT		0 - 1.8		15.7*		
09/10/02	1.0	11:00	2.4										
				LB-2320		10:55	VDOR	S	0.5			0.014 bfj	39* f
				LB-2321		11:00	VDOR	nb	1.9			0.033 bfj	
				LB-2322		11:15	DINT		0 - 1.9		25.9*		

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### Table C2. 2002 MassDEP DWM North Coastal Watershed Baseline Lakes in-situ data.

Descriptio	n: deep hol	e, Hamilto	n .						
Date	OWMID	Time	Depth	Temp	рН	Cond@ 25C	TDS	DO	SAT
		(24hr)	(m)	(C)	(SU)	(uS/cm)	(mg/l)	(mg/l)	(%)
08/21/02									
	LB-2305	14:18	0.4	27.4	7.1 c	175	112	7.1	88
	LB-2305	14:26	1.5	26.7	7.1 c	179 u	114 u	7.1	86
	LB-2305	14:36	2.8	25.5	6.7	176	113	3.7 u	44 u

#### NORTH COASTAL/Beck Pond, Unique ID: W0968 Station: A

# NORTH COASTAL/Coy Pond, Unique ID: W0966 Station: A Description: deep hole, center of pond. Wenham

Date	OWMID	Time	Depth	Temp	рН	Cond@25C	TDS	DO	SAT
		(24hr)	(m)	(C)	(SU)	(uS/cm)	(mg/l)	(mg/l)	(%)
08/21/02									
	LB-2309	12:01	0.5	25.5 u	6.6	397	254	4.0	48
	LB-2309	12:09	1.3	24.6	6.5	396	253	2.2 u	26 u

# NORTH COASTAL/Pillings Pond, Unique ID: W0985 Station: A Description: deep hole, southeastern end, I vnfield

Date	OWMID	Time	Depth	Temp	рН	Cond@ 25C	TDS	DO	SAT
		(24hr)	(m)	(C)	(SU)	(uS/cm)	(mg/l)	(mg/l)	(%)
09/10/02									
	LB-2318	15:49	0.5	28.1	8.8 c	534	342	10.3 u	130 u
	LB-2318	15:54	1.5	24.1 u	8.6 c	531	340	10.7 u	126 u
	LB-2318	16:03	2.6	21.3	7.7 c	529	339	5.3 u	59 u
	LB-2318	16:13	3.5	20.5	7.2 c	525	336	0.3 u	3 u
	LB-2318	16:18	4.5	16.5 u	6.9 c	561	359	<0.2	<2
	LB-2318	16:24m	5.5 m	13.6 m	6.7 m	580 m	371 m	<0.2 m	<2 m
	LB-2318	16:34	6.4	12.6 u	6.6	600 u	384 u	<0.2	<2

# NORTH COASTAL/WEST POND, UNIQUE ID: W0967 STATION: A

Date	OWMID	Time	Depth	Temp	рН	Cond@ 25C	TDS	DO	SAT
		(24hr)	(m)	(C)	(SU)	(uS/cm)	(mg/l)	(mg/l)	(%)
09/10/02									
	LB-2323	10:53	0.5	24.2	7.9 c	171	110	8.2	96
	LB-2323	11:07	1.5	21.2	7.8 c	170	109	8.2 u	91 u
	LB-2323	11:19	1.8	20.9	7.4 c	173	110	## u	## u

# ATTACHMENT 1

The following data qualifiers or symbols are used in the MADEP/DWM Water Quality Database (WQD) database for qualified and censored water quality and multi-probe data. Decisions regarding censoring vs. qualification for specific, problematic data are made based on a thorough review of all pertinent information related to the data.

General Symbols (applicable to all types):

"## " = Censored data (i.e., data that has been discarded for some reason). NOTE: Prior to 2001 data, "\*\*" denoted either censored or missing data.

"\*\* " = Missing data (i.e., data that should have been reported). See NOTE above.

- "-- " = No data (i.e., data not taken/not required)
- \* = Analysis performed by Laboratory OTHER than DEP's Wall Experiment Station (WES)

[] = A result reported inside brackets has been "censored", but is shown for informational purposes (e.g., high blank results).

# Multi-probe-specific Qualifiers:

" i " = inaccurate readings from Multi-probe likely; may be due to significant pre-survey calibration problems, post-survey calibration readings outside typical acceptance range for the low ionic check and for the deionized blank water check, lack of calibration of the depth sensor prior to use, or to checks against laboratory analyses. Specifically, for depth readings the following criteria were applied:

General Depth Criteria: Apply to each OWMID#

- Clearly erroneous readings due to faulty depth sensor: Censor (i)
- Negative and zero depth readings: Censor (i); (likely in error)
- 0.1 m depth readings: Qualify (i); (potentially in error)
- 0.2 and greater depth readings: Accept without qualification; (likely accurate)

Specific Depth Criteria: Apply to entirety of depth data for survey date

- If zero and/or negative depth readings occur more than once per survey date, censor all negative/zero depth data, and qualify all other depth data for that survey (indicates that erroneous depth readings were not recognized in the field and that corrective action (field calibration of the depth sensor) was not taken, i.e., that all positive readings may be in error.)

" m " = method not followed; one or more protocols contained in the DWM Multi-probe SOP not followed, i.e., operator error (e.g., less than 3 readings per station (rivers) or per depth (lakes), or instrument failure not allowing method to be implemented.

" s " = field sheet recorded data were used to accept data, not data electronically recorded in the Multi-probe surveyor unit, due to operator error or equipment failure.

" u " = unstable readings, due to lack of sufficient equilibration time prior to final readings, non-representative location, highly-variable water quality conditions, etc. See Section 4.1 for acceptance criteria.

" c " = greater than calibration standard used for pre-calibration, or outside the acceptable range about the calibration standard. Typically used for conductivity (>718, 1,413, 2,760, 6,668 or 12,900 uS/cm) or turbidity (>10, 20 or 40 NTU). It can also be used for TDS and Salinity calculations based on qualified ("c") conductivity data, or that the calculation was not possible due to censored conductivity data (TDS and Salinity are calculated values and entirely based on conductivity reading). See Section 4.1 for acceptance criteria.

" r " = data not representative of actual field conditions.

"?" = Light interference on Turbidity sensor (Multiprobe error message). Data is typically censored.

# Sample-Specific Qualifiers:

" a " = accuracy as estimated at WES Lab via matrix spikes, PT sample recoveries, internal check standards and lab-fortified blanks did not meet project data quality objectives identified for program or in QAPP.

" b " = blank Contamination in lab reagant blanks and/or field blank samples (indicating possible bias high and false positives).

" d " = precision of field duplicates (as RPD) did not meet project data quality objectives identified for program or in QAPP. Batched samples may also be affected.

" e " = not theoretically possible. Specifically, used for bacteria data where colonies per unit volume for e-coli bacteria > fecal coliform bacteria, for lake Secchi and station depth data where a specific Secchi depth is greater than the reported station depth, and for other incongruous or conflicting results.

"f" = frequency of quality control duplicates did not meet data quality objectives identified for program or in QAPP.

" h " = holding time violation (usually indicating possible bias low)

" j " = 'estimated' value; used for lab-related issues where certain lab QC criteria are not met and re-testing is not possible (as identified by the WES lab only). Also used to report sample data where the sample concentration is less than the 'reporting' limit or RDL and greater than the method detection limit or MDL (mdl< x <rdl). Also used to note where values have been reported at levels less than the mdl.

" m " = method SOP not followed, only partially implemented or not implemented at all, due to complications with sample matrix (eg. sediment in sample, floc formation), lab error (eg. cross-contamination between samples), additional steps taken by the lab to deal with matrix complications, lost/unanalyzed samples, and missing data.

" p " = samples not preserved per SOP or analytical method requirements.

" r " = samples collected may not be representative of actual field conditions, including the possibility of "outlier" data and flow-limited conditions (e.g., pooled).

# Sample codes for sampling:

OWMID: Office of Watershed Management Identification Code for the bottle.

QAQC: the OWMID codes (e.g. LB-1903) refer to the field duplicate sample (usually immediately above or below in the table) to be compared with the current sample.

Time: Local time.

SymTyp: Sample Type- VDOR= Van Dorn; DINT= Depth integrated by vertical hose; MNGR= Manual Grab; NR= not recorded.

RelDepth: Relative Depth- s= Near Surface; m= middle depth; nb= near bottom.

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# APPENDIX D

# MassDEP DWM 2002 Fish Toxics Monitoring in the North Shore Coastal Watersheds

# INTRODUCTION

Fish contaminant monitoring is a cooperative effort between three Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection (MassDEP) Divisions/Offices (Watershed Management (DWM), Environmental Analysis, and Research and Standards), the Massachusetts Department of Fish and Game, and the Massachusetts Department of Public Health (MA DPH). Fish contaminant monitoring is designed to screen the edible fillets of several species of fish desired by the angling public for consumption, as well as species representing different feeding guilds (i.e., bottom dwelling omnivores, top-level predators, etc.) for the presence of heavy metals (Pb, Cd, Se, Hg, As), Polychlorinated biphenyls (PCBs), and organochlorine pesticides. These data are used by the MA DPH in assessing human health risks associated with the consumption of freshwater fishes.

In the North Shore Coastal Watersheds fish contaminant monitoring surveys have been conducted by DEP DWM staff in several waterbodies including Reedy Meadow (along the Saugus River), Flax Pond, and Foster Pond (Maietta undated). Fish contaminant monitoring data provided here include surveys conducted in 2002. The objective of these surveys was to screen the edible fillets of fishes for potential contaminants (e.g., selected metals, PCBs and organochlorine pesticides). All results were submitted to the MA DPH for review.

# **Project Objectives**

Fish contaminant monitoring is typically conducted to assess the levels of toxic contaminants in freshwater fish, identify waterbodies where those levels may impact human health, and identify waters where toxic chemicals may impact fish and other aquatic life. Nonetheless, human health concerns have received higher priority and, therefore, fish tissue analysis has been restricted to edible fillets. The fish toxics monitoring was designed to screen the edible fillets of several species of fish representing different feeding groups (i.e., bottom dwelling omnivores, top-level predators, etc.) for the presence of heavy metals, PCBs and chlorinated pesticides.

Fish toxics monitoring conducted in 2002 followed guidance in the Quality Assurance Project Plan for Fish Toxics Monitoring (MassDEP 2003). Data quality objectives are presented in the above-mentioned QAPP.

#### METHODS Field Methods

Uniform protocols, designed to assure accuracy and prevent cross-contamination of samples, were followed for collecting, processing and shipping fish (MassDEP 2003 and MassDEP 2005). The characteristics of each site determine the method(s) of sample collection. Waterbodies in the North Shore Coastal Watersheds were sampled by DWM using boat electrofishing, gill nets, trot lines, and/or rods and reels. Electrofishing was performed by maneuvering the boat through the littoral zone and shallow water habitat of a given waterbody, and collecting most fish shocked. Fish collected by electrofishing were stored in a live well filled with site water until the completion of sampling. Fish to be included in the sample were stored on ice and transported to the DWM laboratory in Worcester. Rod and reel fishing was performed by casting lures into fish holding cover and retrieving lures, and at times fish. Gill nets were set in various locations and either checked every two hours or on occasion left overnight. Gill nets set overnight were retrieved the following morning. Trotlines were baited with nightcrawlers or shiners, set, and left overnight. After removal from the gill nets, trotlines, or lure, fish to be included in the sample were retrieved to the DWM laboratory in Worcester. In all cases, live fish, which were not included as part of the sample, were released.

# **DWM Laboratory Methods (Sample processing)**

Fish brought to the MassDEP DWM laboratory in Worcester were processed using protocols designed to assure accuracy and prevent cross-contamination of samples (MassDEP 2003 and MassDEP 2005). Specimen lengths and weights were recorded along with notes on tumors, lesions, or other anomalies noticed during an external visual inspection. Scales, spines, or pectoral fin ray samples were obtained for use in age determination. Species, length, and weight data can be found in Tables D1. Fish were filleted (skin off) on glass cutting boards and prepared for freezing. All equipment used in the filleting process was rinsed in tap water and then rinsed twice in de-ionized water before and or after each sample. Samples (individual or composite) targeted for % lipids, PCBs and organochlorine pesticide analysis were wrapped in aluminum foil. Samples targeted for metals

analysis were placed in VWR high density polyethylene (HDPE) cups with covers. Composite samples were composed of three fillets from like-sized individuals of the same species (occasionally the same genus). Samples were tagged and frozen for subsequent delivery to the Department's Wall Experiment Station (WES).

# WES Laboratory Methods (Analytical)

All analyses for cadmium, lead and selenium were conducted using EPA method 200.7. All analyses for PCBs and organics were conducted using AOAC method 983.21. All mercury analyses prior to 2005 were conducted using EPA method 245.1. Additional information on analytical techniques used at WES is available from the laboratory (Maietta *et al.* 2004).

In 2002 mercury was analyzed by a cold vapor method using a Perkin Elmer, FIMS (Flow Injection Mercury System), which uses Flow Injection Atomic Absorption Spectroscopy. Cadmium and lead were analyzed using a Perkin Elmer, Optima 3000 XL ICP - Optical Emmission Spectrophotometer. Arsenic and selenium were analyzed using a Perkin Elmer, Zeeman 5100 PC, Platform Graphite Furnace, Atomic Absorption Spectrophotometer. PCB Arochlor, PCB congener, and organochlorine pesticide analysis was performed on a gas chromatograph equipped with an electron capture detector "according to the modified AOAC 983.21 procedure for the analysis of PCB Arochlors, Congeners, and Organochlorine Pesticides" (Maietta *et al.* 2004).

# RESULTS

All fish tissue data met DWM data quality objectives and passed QC acceptance limits of the WES laboratory without qualification unless otherwise noted below. Fish toxics monitoring survey data can be found in Table D1 (excerpted from Maietta *et al.* 2004).

Fish tissue data passed the QC acceptance limits of the WES laboratory. WES reported a number of labvalidated data with "qualification". All but one of these "qualified" data points were for very low concentrations of either PCBs (Congeners and Arochlors) and/or organochlorine pesticides. One data point for arsenic at the detection limit was also qualified. The lab fortified matrix spike recovery for toxaphene was 50% resulting in "J" (estimated) qualification by WES. These QC data suggest potential poor recovery of toxaphene in samples. Lab accuracy estimates for metals (all analytes) using lab-fortified matrix samples were acceptable ranging from 80-112 % recovery except for two selenium samples at 126 and 128 % recovery and one lead sample at 130% recovery. QC sample recoveries were acceptable ranging from 83-117%. Lab accuracy estimates for metals (all analytes) using lab fortified blanks were acceptable ranging from 82 to 111 % recovery except for one lead sample at 128% recovery.

All quality assurance and quality control data are available from the laboratory upon request.

Table D1. 2002 Fish Toxics Monitoring data for North Shore Coastal Waterbodies (Flax Pond, Lynn, Foster Pond, Swampscott, and Reedy Meadow, Wakefield/Lynnfield (Maietta *et al.* 2004). Results, reported in wet weight, are from composite samples of fish fillets with skin off.

Sample ID	Collection Date	Species Code <sup>1</sup>	Length (cm)	Weight (g)	Sample ID (laboratory sample #)	Cd (mg/kg)	Pb (mg/kg)	<b>Hg</b> (mg/kg)	As (mg/kg)	<b>Se</b> (mg/kg)	% Lipids (%)	PCB Arochlors and Congeners (µg/g)	Pesticides (µg/g)
Flax Pond	l, Lynn												
FPF02-1	5/22/02	LMB	38.6	700	`2002007 (L2002159-1)	<0.04	<0.20	0.15	<0.060	0.21	0.07	ND	DDE-0.012J
FPF02-2	5/22/02	LMB	35.1	570	(L2002160-1)	×0.04	<b>~0.20</b>	0.15	~0.000	0.21	0.07	ND	DDL-0.0123
FPF02-3	5/22/02	LMB	36.1	640	· · ·								
FPF02-4	5/22/02	WP	24.2	200	2002008								Chlor <sup>2</sup> -0.091 J
FPF02-5	5/22/02	WP	23.1	170	(L2002159-2) (L2002160-2)	<0.04	<0.20	0.10	<0.060	0.55	0.63	ND	DDD-0.0092J DDE-0.031
FPF02-6	5/22/02	WP	24.0	180	(L2002100-2)								DDE-0.001
FPF02-7	5/22/02	YP	20.5	80	2002009								
FPF02-8	5/22/02	YP	21.8	100	(L2002159-3) (L2002160-3)	<0.04	<0.20	0.05	<0.060	0.43	0.15	ND	DDE-0.0058 J
FPF02-9	5/22/02	YP	20.3	90	()								
FPF02-10	5/22/02	AE	67.1	560								A1254-0.097 A1260-0.18	
FPF02-11	5/22/02	AE	62.0	440								BZ#118-0.014	Chlordane-0.83
FPF02-12	5/22/02	AE	57.2	360	2002010 (L2002159-4) (L2002160-4)	<0.04	<0.20	0.15	<0.060	0.22	13	BZ#114-0.025 BZ#105-0.0080 BZ#156-0.0053 BZ#157-0.0015J BZ#180-0.041 BZ#170-0.0060	DDD-0.11 DDE-0.33 DDT-0.023
Foster Po	nd Swam	oscott											
FOPF02-01	10/1/02	YP	23.3	160	2002052 (L2002453-1)	<0.040	<0.20	0.12	<rdl< td=""><td>0.24</td><td>0.10</td><td>ND</td><td>DDE-0.0061J</td></rdl<>	0.24	0.10	ND	DDE-0.0061J
FOPF02-02	10/1/02	YP	23.2	150	(L2002453-1) (L2002455-1)	<0.040	<0.20	0.12	(0.080)	0.24	0.10	ND	DDE-0.0061J
FOPF02-03	10/1/02	YP	22.3	140	· · · ·								
FOPF02-04	10/2/02	AE	69.3	690								A1260-0.098	
FOPF02-05	10/2/02	AE	64.9	660								BZ#118-0.0087 BZ#114-0.0087	
FOPF02-06	10/2/02	AE	67.5	680	2002053 (L2002453-2) (L2002455-2)	<0.040	<0.20	0.10	<0.060	0.25	16	BZ#105-0.0030J BZ#156-0.0031J BZ#157-0.0012J BZ#180-0.018 BZ#170-0.0064	DDD-0.053 DDE-0.21 DDT-0.020

Table D1 (continued). 2002 Fish Toxics Monitoring data for North Shore Coastal Waterbodies (Flax Pond, Lynn, Foster Pond, Swampscott, and Reedy Meadow, Wakefield/Lynnfield (Maietta *et al.* 2004). Results, reported in wet weight, are from composite samples of fish fillets with skin off.

Reedy Me	adow, Wak	efield/Ly	/nnfield										
RMF02-1	4/24/02	YP	21.2	140	2002001 (L2002157-1)	<0.04	<0.20	0.35	0.06 J	0.32	0.06	ND	ND
RMF02-2	4/24/02	YP	22.0	140	(L2002157-1) (L2002158-1)	<b>~0.04</b>	<b>\0.20</b>	0.55	0.00 J	0.52	0.00	ND	ND
RMF02-3	4/24/02	YP	22.7	110	(220021001)								
RMF02-4	4/25/02	BB	22.4	160	2002002								
RMF02-5	4/25/02	BB	25.5	230	(L2002157-2)	<0.04	<0.20	0.30	<0.040	0.20	0.16	ND	ND
RMF02-6	4/25/02	BB	27.9	290	(L2002158-2)								

<sup>1</sup>Species Code , Common Name, Scientific name

(AE)	American eel	Anguilla rostrata
(BB)	brown bullhead	Ameiurus nebulosus
(LMB)	largemouth bass	Micropterus salmoides
(WP)	white perch	Morone americana
(YP)	yellow perch	Perca flavescens

<sup>2</sup> - Chlordane

ND - not detected or the analytical result is at or below the established method detection limit (MDL).

J-estimated value, concentration <RDL or certain QC criteria not met

RDL = reporting detection limit

< = result not detected above method detection limit, unless otherwise noted

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# APPENDIX E NORTH SHORE COASTAL WATERSHEDS WMA AND NPDES PERMITS

Permit	Registration#	Water Supply System Name	Registered Volume (MGD)	Registered withdrawal (days)	20 Year Permitted Volume (MGD)	Permit # days	Segment
9P231318107		Bass Rocks Golf Club			0.08	210	very near ocean not near any segme
	31803001	Beverly Commerce Park, Inc.	0.4	365	Not Applicable		MA93-07
P31822902	31822902	Eastman Gelatine Corporation	2.74	365	0.6	365	MA93-05
	31816602	Essex Country Club	0.1	196	Not Applicable		MA93-29
	31809201	Essex DPW-Water Division	0.22	365	Not Applicable		MA93-45,
P31810701	31810701	Gloucester Department Public Works	3.38	365	0.37	365	MA93001, MA93022, MA93031, MA93093, MA93085, MA93-27
P231825801	31825801	Kernwood Country Club	0.1	180	0	180	MA93-09
P31816302	31816302	Lynn Water & Sewer Commission <sup>1,2</sup>	8.93	365	0.33	365	MA93-34, MA94-32, MA93004, MA93006, MA93032, MA93084
	31816401	Lynnfield Center Water District	0.32	365	Not Applicable		MA93-30
P31816601	31816601	Manchester Water Department	0.72	365	0	365	MA93028, MA93063, MA93-29, MA93-47
	31822903	Peabody Dept. of Public Services	1.89	365	Not Applicable		MA93073, MA93074 (in the MA93-0 subwatershed area)
P231825201	31825201	Rockport Water Department <sup>3</sup>	0.72	365	0	365	MA93011, MA93053
	31822901	Salem Country Club	0.1	150	Not Applicable		MA93-39
	31825802	Salem Suede, Inc.	0.18	234	Not Applicable		MA93-40
	31825901	Salisbury Water Supply Company	0.81	365	Not Applicable		no segments defined in this area
P31816402		Sheraton Colonial Golf Club			0.2	153	MA93-34
	31816801	Tedesco Country Club	0.1	180	Not Applicable		MA93-10
	31830501	Wakefield Water Department	0.48	365	Not Applicable		MA93018

<sup>1</sup>. The Lynn Water & Sewer Commission is also registered to withdraw 5.31 MGD from December through May from the Ipswich River. Their original permit authorized that an additional 1.28 MGD could be withdrawn, however MassDEP issued them a modified permit, which held the additional volume to 0.33 MGD. LWSC appealed that permit modification.

A Comprehensive Surface Water Supply Protection Plan for the City of Lynn's Breeds, Hawkes, Birch, and Walden Ponds Reservoirs, and Ipswich River and Saugus River sources was developed through the Source Water Protection Project by the City of Lynn (Grant Project 01-03 SWT).

A Wellhead Protection Plan was developed for the Mill Brook Watershed, Rockport MA (Project # 02-06 WHP) by Community Investment Associates, Cape Ann Mapping and The BioEngineering Group, Inc. (June 2004).

# Table E2. National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) Permittees in the North Shore Coastal Watersheds.

PERMITTEE	NPDES#	SEGMENT
Bardon Trimount, Inc. –	MA0001830	MA93026
Swampscott		

The NPDES permit issued to Bardon Trimount, Inc. in April 2000 authorized the discharge of groundwater and stormwater used for operating a stone quarry for producing gravel and crushed stone via outfall 001 to Foster's Pond. [Note: Lynn Sand & Stone held the permit issued in 1974.] Permitted limits include pH (6.5 to 8.3 SU), TSS (25 mg/L average monthly), and turbidity (8 NTU). Flow, settleable solids, and total ammonia are report only. The permit also required the development of a Best Management Practices Plan (BMP) to minimize potential for violations of permit, protect the designated water uses of the surrounding water body, and to mitigate pollution from site runoff, improper use of waste disposal system, and accidental spills, etc.

Peabody		MA93-09
	ooling water via outfall #001 to the	he permit authorized to discharge 0.013 e Danvers River (by drain). Permitted EPA list indicated permit inactivated in

PERMITTEE Crane River West Condominiums – Danvers	NPDES# MA0030091	SEGMENT MA93-41
		niums in Danvers (incorrectly identified as

MA0036311 in the North Coastal 1997/1998 Water Quality Assessment Report) for stormwater, was terminated by EPA in April 1999.

PERMITTEE Cape Ann Lighthouse – Rockport	NPDES# MA0090654	SEGMENT Not Applicable (Atlantic Ocean)
	eated sanitary wastewater. EPA list	nd in July 1982. The permit authorized dated August 2005 indicated the permit

PERMITTEE	NPDES#	SEGMENT
CPI, Inc. Beverly Microwave	MAG250520	MA93-07
MGD average monthly (0.042 MGE stormdrain that discharges to an ur	D maximum daily) non-contact coolin	Note: permit formerly issued to Varian

PERMITTEE	NPDES#	SEGMENT
Dominion Energy Salem	MA0005096	MA93-21
Harbor, LLC		

Dominion Energy Salem Harbor, LLC (Transferred November 2004 from USGenNE). [Original permit was issued to Salem Harbor Station in September 1994, and then the permit was transferred to US Gen NE, Inc., in September 1998.] The facility is a 775 MW oil and coal fired stream electric power generation facility. The permit authorizes the following outfalls:

- Outfall 001: 668.9 MGD of condenser cooling water, boiler blowdown, reboiler and evaporator blowdown, freshwater storage tank overflow, service water, boiler blowdown tanks, and stormwater runoff from the yard. Chlorine or hydantoin is authorized for biocide. In addition, Clamtrol is used for 18 hours three times per unit per year to control the growth of mussels. A detoxifier is used to ensure that Clamtrol is not detectable in the effluent. Total Residual Oxidants should not exceed 0.1 mg/L (Simultaneous multi-unit application of biocide was permitted). The permit also stated that "at no time can the outfall exceed an absolute temperature of 93°F" and further stated that "at no time can temperature of this outfall exceed a 28°F rise over intake temperature". The permit also required that "a temperature differential between the point of discharge and the intake structure shall not change more than 12°F during any one-hour period from 1 April to 31 October nor shall the differential change more than 9°F between 1 November and 31 March during any one-hour period".

- Outfall 006: 1.5 MGD average monthly/2.6 MGD maximum daily discharge of wastewater treatment serviceash settling point, Unit 4 seal water, floor drains, equipment drains, demineralizer/regenerator wastes, equipment wash water systems, bottom ash recycle system blowdown, stormwater from yard drains and coal pile runoff. - Outfalls 005 and 007: intake screen wash water.

- Outfall 014: 19.2 MGD maximum daily discharge of condenser cooling water plus intermittent heat recycle cooling water up to a temperature of 115°F within the four-hour period used to control biological fouling of the condenser systems.

Outfall 015: emergency spillway overflow for coal pile runoff.

No violations of temperature limits between January 2000 and August 2006 have been reported.

<b>PERMITTEE</b> Eastern Tool and Stamping Company	NPDES# MA0004634	SEGMENT MA93-44
The Eastern Tool and Stamping Company was authorized (MA0004634 issued July 1978) to discharge non- contact cooling water via two outfalls to the Saugus River. The company sent a letter to EPA in November 2005 that they have gone out of business and therefore the permit has been terminated.		

PERMITTEE Easterly Inn	NPDES# MA0025500	NOT APPLICABLE
Lasterry min	IVIA002000	
A NPDES permit was issued to Easterly Inn in September 1975. This permit is listed as becoming inactive on		
5/5/99 due to tie in to Gloucester W	/PCF (EPA Inactive list Aug 2004).	

PERMITTEE	NPDES#	SEGMENT
Essex Housing Authority	MA0029564	MA93-46

The Essex Housing Authority (EHA) was authorized (permit issued December 1999) to discharge an average monthly flow of 0.015 MGD of treated wastewater to Alewife Brook (a tributary to the Essex River). The EHA whole effluent toxicity testing (LC<sub>50</sub>>100%, CNOEC=100% effluent limits) using Menidia beryllina as well as Arbacia punctulata for the chronic testing was required four times per year. Other permitted parameters include Total Ammonia, TRC, BOD<sub>5</sub>, TSS, and Fecal Coliform.

The ammonia-nitrogen concentrations reported for the effluent in the facility's toxicity testing reports conducted between October 1999 and October 2005 (excluding reports for tests done in 2000 and 2001 which were not available for review) ranged from <0.1 to 15 mg/L (n=16). The total residual chlorine concentrations in those same reports were reported to range from <0.05 to 1.12 mg/L (n=16) with 12 of the 16 measurements >0.05 ma/L.

The facility began operation/discharging in November 1969 although the first permit wasn't issued until March 1987. The wastewater was connected to the Essex sewer system in December 2005 and therefore the permit needs to be terminated.

PERMITTEE	NPDES#	SEGMENT
Eastman Gelatine Corporation	MA0003956	MA93-05

MA0003956 Eastman Gelatine Corporation is authorized (permit issued July 1989) to discharge non-contact cooling water (0.5 MGD average monthly flow) and storm water runoff from outfall 001 and storm water runoff from 18 other outfalls into Goldthwait Brook. The facility is engaged in the manufacturing of photographic gelatin and for barometric condenser cooling and electric generators. The wastewater generated from the gelatin process is discharged to the Peabody sewer system, which in turn is part of the South Essex Sewage District.

Acute toxicity testing must be conducted using *Ceriodaphnia dubia* on grab samples collected from Goldthwaite Brook upstream and downstream of the Eastman Gelatine Corp. discharges. These acute tests shall be performed seasonally and at least one test in the summer each year must be representative of wet weather while one test each year must be representative of dry weather conditions. Two acute whole effluent toxicity tests of outfall #001 must also be conducted each year (one wet and one dry). These toxicity testing requirements are monitor only (no permit limits).

Note: A new permit for this facility was signed on 27 September 2006, which will become effective on 1 December 2006.

PERMITTEE Federal Express	<b>NPDES#</b> MA0033723	SEGMENT MA93-39
This permit is listed as becoming inactive as of 04/30/1999 because the discharge is now covered under the		
multisector general stormwater per	mit (EPA Inactive list Aug 2005).	-

PERMITTEE General Electric Company –	NPDES# MA0003905	SEGMENT MA93-44	
Lynn	MA0003903	WIA93-44	
General Electric Company – Lynn (GE Lynn) is authorized (MA0003905 issued September 1993) to discharge from permitted discharge outfalls along the northern bank of the Saugus River from Route 107 (Western Avenue) and Route 1A (General Edwards Bridge) in Lynn. On July 5, 2000, operation of the Consolidated Drains Treatment System was initiated at this facility. As a result, dry weather flows from eight permitted outfalls (001, 007, 010, 019, 027, 028, 030, 031 and 032) were combined so that they may be collected in concrete equalization tanks prior to discharge of treated effluent through Outfall 027. Current discharges at this plant are summarized as follows:			
supplied by city).	5°F and daily maximum 1.4 MGD of 105	• · · ·	
<b>005:</b> average flow of 0.55 MGD up to 9 supplied by city).	5°F and daily maximum 1.4 MGD of 105	°F of non-contact cooling water (water	
014: average flow (discharge is int cooling water (salt water). As		ly maximum 45 MGD of 95°F of non-contact n was initiated at this outfall to reduce levels	
018: average flow of 35.6 MGD up water) from power generation	to 90°F and daily maximum 35.6 MGD of equipment, boiler blowdown and steam of	of 95°F of non-contact cooling water. (salt condensate. As of April 2001, anti-foam roduced by the natural salinity of the Saugus	
020: In June 2000, the facility disc	continued dry and wet weather discharge ter. With approval of the EPA, GE is to r g reports for this outfall.		
<ul> <li>027: average flow of 0.3 MGD up to 85°F and daily maximum 0.83 MGD of 90°F of stormwater runoff from roof and yard drains, steam condensate, oil coolers, and floor drainage. As a result of the Consolidated Drains Treatment System, flow limits for dry weather discharges through outfall 027 have been increased to an average monthly dry weather flow of 0.5 MGD and a maximum daily dry weather flow of 1.0 MGD.</li> <li>029: average flow of 28.8 MGD up to 90°F and daily maximum 54.7 MGD of 95°F of non-contact cooling water from steam turbine test equipment and heat exchangers (salt water) most likely intermittent.</li> </ul>			
		ation shall: (a) not block zones of fish ge the balanced indigenous population of the	
GE Lynn was required to develop a multi-year biomonitoring program, developed in conjunction with DMF, DEP, CZM and EPA, that at a minimum was to determine the following characteristics of intake water from the Saugus River: occurrence and abundance of species impinged and entrained, mortality of species impinged and entrained and Determine resulting losses to local spawning stocks.			
If the data revealed negative impacts to the Saugus River marine resources by the cooling water intake system, structural or operational modification to the intake system would be required. Incidences of fish mortality associated with the plumes or unusual numbers of fish impinged on the intake traveling screens were to be reported to the regulatory agencies.			
The GE Lynn permit also required a sto	orm water pollution prevention plan.		

No violations of temperature limits between January 2000 and August 2006 have been reported.

PERMITTEE	NPDES#	SEGMENT
GLEN-MOR Fuel Oil Co.	MA0036897	MA93-15
This permit is listed as becoming inactive as of 10/28/1999 because the remediation was completed (EPA		
Inactive list Aug 2005).		

PERMITTEE	NPDES#	SEGMENT
City of Gloucester	MA0100625	Gloucester Harbor (MA93-18) and
		Atlantic Ocean

The City of Gloucester is authorized (MA0100625 issued August 2001) to discharge from the Gloucester Water Pollution Control Facility (WPCF) a flow of 5.15 MGD (annual average calculated monthly) of treated effluent from outfall# 001 to Massachusetts Bay. This WPCF has been designed to accomplish only primary treatment. The unit process flow diagram incorporates an aerated grit chamber followed by a comminutor for preliminary treatment. Primary clarification follows with chemical addition. Polymer and ferric chloride are added to the wastewater prior to it entering the primary clarifiers to enhance BOD and TSS removals. A Parshall flume, used for flow measurement, directs flow to the chlorine contact basins where sodium hypochlorite is added to disinfect the wastewater. Dechlorination, part of an upgrade, was made operational in February 2006 using sodium bisulfite. During low tide, the effluent leaves the facility by gravity. At medium to high tide, effluent pumps remove the effluent from the facility. An outfall pipe carries effluent over 5,000 feet off shore. The outfall pipe extends 7/10ths of a mile beyond the breakwater that defines the harbor from the ocean. The primary sludge is sent to gravity thickeners and then to either a holding tank or a belt-filter press for dewatering. The dewatered sludge is hauled to Unity, ME to be composted (Millhouse 2006).

The pH (6.0 to 8.5 SU limits) of the effluent between December 2001 and March 2006 ranged from 6.8 to 7.5 SU (n=18)(TOXTD database). Ammonia-nitrogen concentrations of the effluent during the same time period ranged from 3.1 to 31.4 mg/L (n=18)(TOXTD database). The TRC (0.49 mg/L average monthly and 0.77 mg/L maximum daily limits) of the effluent between December 2001 and March 2006 ranged from <0.02 to 0.24 mg/L (n=18)(TOXTD database). The TRC ( $LC_{50} \ge 100\%$  effluent limit) using *Mysidopsis bahia* and *Menidia beryllina* as test species, is performed on a quarterly basis. Other permitted parameters include BOD, TSS, Settleable Solids, Oil & Grease, Fecal Coliform Bacteria and Total Petroleum Hydrocarbons.

The city of Gloucester is required to conduct receiving water, biological and toxics control monitoring as part of their NPDES permit, which is required by the 301(h) regulations. The monitoring is conducted in the vicinity of the outfall outside of Gloucester Harbor proper and these data are available in annual reports.

*Gloucester Harbor*: Five CSO discharges as well as a pump station bypass outfalls also discharge directly into Gloucester Harbor. The Riverside Avenue (outfall # 011) and Grant Circle (outfall #012) Pumping Station Bypasses were reportedly eliminated in 1993.

In May 2005, the City of Gloucester entered into a modified consent decree with EPA and MassDEP that will mitigate 5 Combined Sewer Overflows (CSO) beginning in Spring 2006 (Millhouse 2006). A phased approach will be used starting with the largest CSO. The CSO's/bypasses discharge directly into Gloucester Harbor. Metcalf & Eddy, on behalf of the City of Gloucester, submitted on June 30, 2005 the Final Combined Sewer Overflow Revised Long-Term Control Plan. The Plan included a description of the CSO system, baseline CSO activations and volumes, an assessment of a range of CSO control alternatives, and a recommended CSO abatement plan. The Plan recommended a sewer separation program throughout much of the existing combined sewer areas. The work (total estimated cost is \$14.6 million) has been divided into three phases. On September 2, 2005, after lengthy negotiations, DEP, EPA, and the City reached agreement on a federal modified consent decree (MCD), which established an enforceable schedule for the implementation of the recommended plan. The sewer separation work is required to start in 2006 and to be completed by June 30, 2012. This CSO work will dramatically reduce the activations and volumes of CSO discharges to Pavilion Beach and inner Gloucester Harbor. The MCD also includes requirements for the City to proceed with additional work to address infiltration and inflow, and stipulated penalties where the City violates the requirements of the NPDES permit. Upon completion of the work identified in the Plan and required under the MCD, the following reductions in CSO activations/volumes are expected:

Discharge	Description	Annual	Activations
Point		Discharge Volume	(Events/Year)
		(MG)	
002	Mansfield Street Drain Western Ave CSO	0.14	1
004	Rogers Street CSO	0.14	2
005	Main Street CSO	0.06	1
006	East Main Street CSO	0	0
006A	East Main Street CSO	0.01	1

PERMITTEE	NPDES#	SEGMENT
City of Gloucester, Babson	MAG640012	Alewife Brook (MA93-27)
Filtration Plant		

The Town of Gloucester is authorized (MAG640012 issued December 2002) to discharge treated effluent via one outfall to Alewife Brook.

PERMITTEE	NPDES#	SEGMENT
City of Gloucester, West	MAG640013	See Annisquam River System
Gloucester Filtration Plant		
The City of Clausester is authorize	d (MAC640012 jaquad Dagam	har 2002) to discharge offlyiont from the West

The City of Gloucester is authorized (MAG640013 issued December 2002) to discharge effluent from the West Gloucester Filtration Plant to the Little River. There are plans to tie this discharge into the sewer but this has not yet been implemented.

PERMITTEE	NPDES#	SEGMENT	
Holiday Fitness Center	MA0033103	MA93-15	
nonuay i niness benner		INA35-15	

This permit is listed as becoming inactive as of 05/05/1999 because the facility tied into the MWRA system (EPA Inactive list Aug 2005).

PERMITTEE	NPDES#	SEGMENTS
City of Lynn	MA0100552	MA93-24, MA93-44, MA93-52 and MA93-53

A new permit has been drafted for this facility. However, the Lynn Water & Sewer Commission is currently authorized (MA0100552 issued in May 2000) to discharge an average monthly flow of 25.8 MGD to the Lynn Outer Harbor. When the influent flows exceed 75 MGD, the permittee is authorized to discharge combined primary and secondary treated effluent to the Lynn Inner Harbor through Outfall 002 and to the Lynn Outer Harbor through Outfall 001. The facility is also permitted to discharge wet weather combined sewer overflows via five additional outfalls each of which is described below.

<u>Outfall 001</u>: Lynn Outer Harbor (MA93-53). Permitted parameters: Flow 25.8 MGD, average monthly (annual average is calculated and reported as a rolling average), pH 6.2 to 8.5 SU, TRC 0.14 mg/L average monthly and 0.247 mg/L maximum daily,  $LC_{50} \ge 100\%$  effluent, C-NOEC $\ge 5.26\%$  effluent using three test species for either acute and/or chronic tests (*Mysidopsis bahia, Menidia beryllina*, and *Arbacia punctulata*) conducted 4x/year. Other permitted parameters include: BOD, TSS, Fecal Coliform, Oil & Grease, Total Copper, and Total Nitrogen (report only). Other report parameters are Flow and Fecal Coliform.

<u>Outfall 002</u>: Lynn Inner Harbor (MA93-52) Permitted parameters: TRC 0.0075 mg/L, average monthly and 0.013 mg/L maximum daily.

Other maximum daily permitted parameters: BOD, TSS and Oil & Grease.

<u>CSO Outfalls</u>: Outfall 003 (Summer Street Overflow to Saugus River - MA93-44), Outfall 004 (Market Street Overflow to Lynn Inner Harbor - MA93-52), Outfall 005 (Broad Street Overflow to Lynn Inner Harbor - MA93-52), and Outfall 006 (Sanderson Avenue Overflow to Nahant Bay MA93-24). Outfall 007 (Washington Street Overflow to Lynn Inner Harbor - MA93-52) was sealed.

TOXTD database: pH in effluent ranged from 7.9 to 8.6 SU, Ammonia-nitrogen ranged from 6.7 to 29.5 mg/L and TRC ranged from <0.1 to 0.54 mg/L (reports submitted from July 2000 to March 2006).

According to Kevin Brander (MassDEP), the LWSC, DEP, and EPA agreed to terms on a Second Modified Consent Decree (SMCD), which was executed on June 29, 2001. The SMCD included requirements for sewer separation work, which would result in elimination of three of the Commission's four CSO discharges: 003, 004, 005, and 006. The SMCD required the Commission to proceed with sewer separation work and I/I work in the 003 system, and conduct follow-up monitoring to determine if further actions are needed to eliminate this outfall.

The SMCD required outfall 006 to be eliminated by December 31, 2003, outfall 005 to be eliminated by December 31, 2006, and outfall 006 to be eliminated by December 31, 2009. During implementation of the sewer separation work to achieve this outcome, it was discovered that 900 acres of the city thought to be served by separate sewer and drain systems were in fact combined systems, and that the ongoing design fro the SMCD sewer separation work would fail to achieve the intended benefits. The Commission has since developed and submitted an October 2004 Supplemental CSO Facilities Plan (SFP). The recommendations from that plan are to proceed with \$55 million in I/I projects, sewer separation projects, and CSO storage facilities. This would be in addition to the \$80 million spent to date by the Commission on CSO abatement actions.

DEP and EPA are continuing to review the recommendations in the SFP, and discussions have been focused on identifying and proceeding with projects to eliminate CSO discharges to King's Beach. There has been a Draft CSO 006 Sewer Service Area Regulator Evaluation Study submitted as a result of these ongoing discussions, and I/I projects and regulator modification are now proceeding with the goal of eliminating the 006 discharge.

PERMITTEE	NPDES#	SEGMENT
Lynnfield Center Water District	MAG640017	MA93-30
<b>T</b> :		

This permit authorizes the Lynnfield Center Water District (MAG640017 issued June 2004) to discharge effluent from the water treatment facility to Beaverdam Brook. No aluminum is allowed to be discharged.

PERMITTEE	NPDES#	SEGMENT
Town of Manchester WWTP	MA0100871	MA93-25

The Town of Manchester is authorized (MA0100871 issued in December 2004) to discharge 0.67 MGD (average monthly limit from June to November) and 1.2 MGD (average monthly limit from December to May) of treated effluent from the Manchester wastewater treatment plant (WWTP). An annual average flow limit of 0.67 MGD (calculated monthly) is in place. The treated effluent from the WWTP outfall# 001 is discharged into Manchester Harbor (considered part of Salem Sound in this report) near Sauli Rock. The Manchester WWTP, an extended aeration activated sludge process, was upgraded in 1998/1999. Inflow and infiltration (I&I) work was performed in the downtown area in 2005 (Sibbalds 2006).

The WWTP flow diagram begins with preliminary treatment that consists of a grinding device and a settling tank for grit. Influent wet well pumps elevate the flow before it enters the aeration tanks that are equipped with small bubble diffusers to produce dissolved oxygen. Soda ash is added to the head of aeration for alkalinity restoration due to nitrification. Secondary sedimentation follows the aeration tanks. Flow from the sedimentation units enters a flash-mixing tank where sodium hypochlorite is added for disinfection. Effluent pumps remove the effluent flow from the facility and direct it to the outfall pipe. The outfall pipe extends 8,900 feet off shore (Sibbalds 2006). Waste activated sludge removed from the secondary sedimentation units is pretreated with polymer and then is sent to a rotary thickener. The thickened sludge is hauled to the Upper Blackstone Water Pollution Abatement District, located in Millbury Massachusetts, to undergo further treatment (Sibbalds 2006).

The ammonia-nitrogen concentration (no limit currently exists) of the effluent between March 2000 and September 2005 ranged from 0.2 to 1.2 mg/L (n=12)(TOXTD database). The pH (6.5 to 8.5 SU limit) of the effluent for the same time period ranged from 6.7 to 8.5 SU (n=12)(TOXTD database). The TRC (1.0 mg/L maximum daily limit) of the effluent between March 2000 and September 2005 ranged from 0.03 to 0.14 mg/L (n=10)(TOXTD database). The Manchester WWTP's whole effluent toxicity testing ( $LC_{50} \ge 50\%$  2004 permit limit) using *Menidia beryllina* is performed twice per year. The NPDES permit issued in September 1999 required testing with *Mysidopsis bahia* and *Menidia beryllina*. The toxicity test results will reflect the use of both species since most of the toxicity data was collected during the period when both species were required to be evaluated. Other 2004 permitted parameters include BOD, TSS, and Fecal Coliform. TKN, Total Nitrate and Nitrite, and Total Ammonia Nitrogen are report only.

PERMITTEE	NPDES#	SEGMENT	
Town of Manchester By-The-	MAG640003	MA93028	
Sea, Gravelly Pond WTP			

The Town of Manchester By-The-Sea is authorized (MAG640003 issued in February 2001) to discharge effluent from the water treatment facility to Gravelly Pond.

PERMITTEE Town of Marblehead Sargent Road Pump Station	NPDES# MA0100374	NOT APPLICABLE Discharge into Massachusetts Bay.
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The Town of Marblehead is authorized (MA0100374 issued September 1994, expired September 1999) under emergency conditions to discharge from the Sargent Road Pump Station to Massachusetts Bay. Emergency conditions can be defined simply as a back up in the sewerage system that occurs typically with high water volume events starting at the South Essex Sewerage District and working its way back to the Sargent Road Pump Station (McCollum 2006). Flow that must be diverted is screened and chlorinated prior to it being discharged into Massachusetts Bay.

The Town of Marblehead has begun the process of installing a Supervisory Control and Data Acquisition (SCADA) system for the water and sewer systems. Sherwood Road and Phillip Street installations are close to completion, however, it will take several years to complete the installation for the entire town (McCollum 2006).

PERMITTEE	NPDES#	SEGMENT
New England Detroit Diesel	MA0026247	MA93-34

New England Detroit Diesel-Allison, Inc. of Wakefield (MA0026247). This facility is engaged in the rebuilding and testing of engine components. A new permit was just reissued for this facility (effective January 2007), which authorizes the discharge of stormwater runoff (Outfall 001A), 0.086 MGD of process water from the engine dynamometer (Outfall 001B), and 0.086 MGD of process water from the chassis dynamometer (Outfall 001C) which all combine and flow through outfall 001 which then discharges to a one-mile long surface drainage channel that flows to the Saugus River. City water is used as the source for the dynamometers so the permit also requires monitoring for TRC. This permit also requires that a best management plan/storm water pollution prevention plan be updated and implemented.

The prior permit was issued in March 1986 (formerly to Power Products, Inc.) to discharge 0.0035 MGD average monthly (0.005 MGD daily maximum) of non-contact cooling water plus stormwater run-off from outfall 001 to a surface drainage channel to the Saugus River.

PERMITTEE Northeast Petroleum Pocahantas Fuel Company	NPDES# MA00024732	SEGMENT MA93-01
		0024732 issued November 1978 –permit

formerly issued to White Fuel Corporation) to discharge stormwater from their treatment facility via outfall #001 to the Waters River. The company went out of business and the permit has been terminated (EPA Inactive list Aug 2004).

PERMITTEE OSRAM/Silvania, Inc.	NPDES# MA0003859	SEGMENT MA93-02
This permit is listed as becoming in	active as of 10/27/98 because the d	ischarge was terminated (originally
issued to GTE Sylvania Inc.) (EPA Inactive list Aug 2004).		

PERMITTEE	NPDES#	SEGMENT
OSRAM/Silvania. Inc.	MA0025411	MA93-01
This permit is listed as becoming ir Aug 2004).	active as of 5/23/96 (originally issue	d to GTE Sylvania Inc.) (EPA Inactive list

PERMITTEE City of Peabody, Coolidge Avenue WTP	NPDES# MAG640006	SEGMENT MA93074
The city of Peabody is authorized (MAG640006 issued August 2004) to discharge of treated (lagoons) filter		
backwash water from the Coolidge Avenue Water Treatment Facility (WTF) to Spring Pond [North Basin] (also		
known as lower Spring Pond.		

PERMITTEE	NPDES#	SEGMENT
Peabody Municipal Light Plant	MA0023132	MA93-39
The permit authorizing the Peabody Municipal Light Plant to discharge to Proctor Brook expired 7/28/99 because		
the plant had been dismantled (EPA Inactive list Aug 2004).		

PERMITTEE Refuse Energy Systems Company (RESCO)	NPDES# MA0034045	SEGMENT MA93-15
Refuse Energy Systems Company was authorized (MA0034045 issued September 1992) to discharge diffuse sheet flow from the Saugus Landfill to a tributary of the Pines River. This permit is listed as expired as of September 1997 (EPA Inactive list Aug 2004).		

PERMITTEE Town of Rockport Water Treatment Plant	NPDES# MAG640021	SEGMENT MA93011
The Town of Rockport is authorized (MAG640021 issued February 2001) to discharge effluent from water treatment facility to Cape Pond.		

PERMITTEE Rockport WWTP	NPDES# MA0100145	SEGMENT Sandy Bay which is outside of
		Rockport Harbor proper (See MA93-17)
The Town of Rockport is authorized (MA0100145 issued in July 2004) to discharge a flow of 0.8 MGD (annual average calculated monthly) of treated effluent from the Rockport Wastewater Treatment Plant (WWTP) via outfall# 001 to Sandy Bay. A consent decree and an amended consent decree were signed by the Town of Rockport (Board of Selectman and Board of Public Works and the MassDEP in December 1998 and May 2003, respectively, to address inflow and infiltration (I&I) concerns. The I&I work has been on going. Upgrading the aeration equipment to fine-bubble diffusers, covering the basins, and treating the air with a biofilter addressed odors problems from the aeration basins at the facility. Construction began in 2004 and the new components became operational in 2005 (Wonson 2006).		
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The Rockport WWTP, designed with an extended aerated activated sludge process, begins treatment of the wastewater by settling grit then removing it by a degritting process. Screening is accomplished by the use of two bar racks in series. Flow measurement is determined by the use of a Parshall flume. Biological treatment takes place in the aeration basins and secondary sedimentation units follow to promote the settling of solids. Gaseous chlorine is added to a manhole where clarified effluent flows for disinfection and a 25-minute contact time before the treated effluent reaches the end of the outfall pipe. Waste activated sludge that is removed from the secondary treatment process undergoes aerobic digestion. Lime is added to thicken the digested sludge. The sludge is then conditioned with polymer prior to dewatering by a belt-filter press. During the colder months, the dewatered sludge is hauled to Brickend Farm in Hamilton to be land applied. During the warmer months, the dewatered sludge is hauled to a privately operated composting facility located in Ipswich (Wonson 2006).

The pH (6.5 to 8.5 SU limit) of the effluent between January 2000 and March 2006 ranged from 5.4 to 7.6 SU. Three pH measurements were below 6.5 SU of the 13 results reported (TOXTD database). The ammonianitrogen concentration (no limit currently exists) of the effluent during the same time period ranged from 0.10 to 22.0 mg/L (n=13)(TOXTD database). The TRC (0.26 mg/L, average monthly and 0.46 mg/L, maximum daily limits) of the effluent between January 2000 and March 2006 were all <0.02 mg/L (n=12)(TOXTD database). The Rockport WWTP's whole effluent toxicity testing ( $LC_{50} \ge 100\%$  limit) using *Menidia beryllina* is performed twice per year. Other permitted parameters include BOD, TSS, and Fecal Coliform.

Salem	PERMITTEE	NPDES#	SEGMENT
	Oil & Grease Company	MA0025372	MA93-39
This per	This permit is listed as becoming inactive as of 2/18/04 (EPA Inactive list Aug 2004).		

PERMITTEE	NPDES#	SEGMENT
Shore Cliff Deaconess	MA0027391	(Not applicable) Mass Bay
Retirement Home WWTP		

The Shore Cliff Deaconess Retirement Home was authorized (MA0027391 issued in June 2005) to discharge a flow of 0.004 MGD (average monthly) of treated effluent from an on-site wastewater treatment facility (WWTF) via outfall# 001 to Massachusetts Bay (Atlantic Ocean). Plans to undergo new construction involving the Retirement Home and the WWTF unofficially ran into neighborhood opposition according to an employee of the City of Gloucester's Assessor's Office. The residents were relocated elsewhere and the Retirement Home went out of business around the time that the June 2005 NPDES permit was issued. The former NPDES permit was issued for the facility in September 1999. The facility was required to test for acute whole effluent toxicity 2 times per year using *Mysidopsis bahia* and *Menidia beryllina* with a limit of  $LC_{50} \ge 50\%$  effluent. Between March 2000 and March 2004, the  $LC_{50}$ 's for *M. bahia* and *M. beryllina* were all  $\ge 100\%$  effluent (n=8) (TOXTD database).

PERMITTEE	NPDES#	SEGMENT
South Essex Sewerage District	MA0100501	MA93-25
WWTP		

The SESD is authorized (MA0100501 issued in February 2001) to discharge treated effluent from the SESD (WWTP) via outfall# 001 to Salem Sound. The facility was upgraded to secondary treatment with dechlorination as of June 1998. Four permit conditions were appealed by the permittee – the flow limit (29.71 MGD annual rolling average) and monitoring requirements, the TRC limit (0.24 mg/L average monthly, 0.338 mg/L maximum daily) and monitoring requirements, the infiltration/inflow requirements and the ambient monitoring program requirement to study the benthic community in the vicinity of the outfall in Salem Sound. EPA withdrew the contested permit requirements in a letter dated 10 September 2001.

The South Essex Sewer District begins treatment with several bar screens and a single channel monster located at pump stations within the collection system. Flow is measured with magnetic meters at the pump stations (to determine the flow from the contributing communities which make up the district). At the treatment facility the wastewater starts with 4 aerated grit chambers. Grit is removed from the chambers via clamshell crane and land filled. This is followed by 7 rectangular clarifiers with effluent end scum skimmers. Primary sludge and scum are pumped to a holding tank. Secondary treatment is composed of four, five-stage pure oxygen reactors followed by 7stacked rectangular clarifiers. Disinfection is accomplished by sodium hypochlorite followed by sodium bisulfite for dechlorination. Waste activated sludge is blended with primary sludge and scum, amended with polymer and treated on 4 belt filter presses. Sludge cake is disposed of offsite via Cynagro sludge handling services.

The pH (6.5 to 8.5 SU limit) of the effluent between February 1999 and April 2006 ranged from 6.87 to 7.97 SU (TOXTD database). The ammonia-nitrogen concentration (no limit currently exists) of the effluent during the same time period ranged from 9.1 to 31 mg/L (n=30)(TOXTD database). Effluent TRC concentrations between February 1999 and August 2005 were all <0.05 mg/L (n=30)(TOXTD database). The SESD whole effluent toxicity testing ( $LC_{50}\geq100\%$  limit) using *Mysidopsis bahia* and *Menidia beryllina* is performed four times per year. Other permitted parameters include CBOD<sub>5</sub>, TSS, and Fecal Coliform.

(Note: This facility was the recipient of the 2005 EPA New England Exemplary Performance Award).

PERMITTEE	NPDES#	SEGMENT
Spir- it, Inc.	MA0034452	MA93-31
Spirit, Inc. had applied (MA003445)	2 in December 1992) to discharge no	on-contact cooling water to Wakefield

Brook, which flows into the Mill River. The facility closed-looped their non-contact cooling water discharge in December 1999 and no longer discharges to the brook. The permit needs to be terminated by EPA.

PERMITTEE	NPDES#	SEGMENT
Sports Oil Corporation	MA0032671	MA93-15
This permit is listed as becoming ir list Aug 2005).	active as of 03/26/1999 based on ac	gency (EPA) determination (EPA Inactive

PERMITTEE	NPDES#	SEGMENT
Stahl USA (formerly	MA0028584, MA0035467,	MA93-05
Permuthane, Inc.)	MA0028215	
MA0028584 is listed as becoming inactive as of 3/01/2000 (EPA Inactive list Aug 2004) because the property was sold.		
MA0035467 is listed as becoming inactive as of 12/12/2002 (EPA Inactive list Aug 2004) because the flow was tied into SESD.		
A0028215 was comprised of non-contact cooling water and boiler condensate with chemical additives, which vas closed-looped as of March 2003. This permit was terminated in September 2005.		

Town of Swampscott MA0101907 - now terminated MA93-24	PERMITTEE	NPDES#	SEGMENT
	Town of Swampscott	MA0101907 - now terminated	MA93-24

The Swampscott WWTP discharge from outfall 001 to Nahant Bay authorized by the NPDES permit MA0101907 was tied into the LWSC facility on 2 June 1992. The town was also authorized in the permit to discharge from three stormwater outfalls (described as "contaminated stormwater") described below:

- 002: Sculpin Way Drain to Nahant Bay.
- 003: Marshall Brook Drain to Nahant Bay.

004: New Ocean Street Underdrain intermittent discharge to Stacey Brook.

Note: In October 1992, EPA determined that a NPDES permit was no longer required for these discharges. While discharges from outfall 002 and 003 stormdrains are currently permitted by the towns stormwater permit **MAR041064**, chlorinated stormwater from outfall 004 is not authorized by MAR041064.

The 004 discharge point is adjacent and just north of the Stacey Brook box culvert from the City of Lynn. The town of Swampscott continues to operate a chlorination system during the summer months, to disinfect flows from the 004 outfall to King's Beach during the swimming season. The practice of chlorinating the outfall and/or the receiving stream is not in compliance with Massachusetts Water Quality Standards without a duly issued NPDES permit. DEP and EPA are now evaluating the quantity and quality of this discharge, in order to determine the need for permitting, and establishing effluent limitations.

PERMITTEE	NPDES#	SEGMENT
Thermadyne – Danvers	MA0034819	Frost Fish Brook (MA93-36)
An emergency exclusion to discharge from a groundwater remediation system at Thermadyne Wingaersheek		
Building- Danvers was issued in January 1992. The system was in place and discharging in September 1999		
and was expected to be actively discharge for one to two more years. The contaminants of concern were 1-1-		
Dichloroethane, 1,1,1-Trichloroethane; Trichloroethylene and Tetrachloroethylene. A site visit conducted in		
November 2005 reported no evidence of a discharge. EPA has closed out the application file.		

PERMITTEE	NPDES#	SEGMENT
United States Coast Guard –	MA0090492	Gloucester Harbor (MA93-18)
Gloucester		

The United States Coast Guard is authorized (MA0090492 issued March 2000) to discharge 0.0006 MGD (average monthly) of treated sanitary wastewater via outfall #001 to Gloucester Harbor.

PERMITTEE	NPDES#	SEGMENT
The Town of Wakefield	MA0103004	MA93-31

The Town of Wakefield had applied (MA0103004) in May 1996 to discharge wastewater from their Crystal Lake Water Treatment Plant to Crystal Lake. In April 2003, the construction of the new Broadway Water Treatment Plant was completed. There is no wastewater discharge of filter backwash or sedimentation since treatment is slow sand filtration. Whether or not a permit will be required (once or twice a year when the sand filter is drained and the solids are removed, the water goes into the clear well and is then directed to the outlet stream downstream from Crystal Lake) needs to be determined by EPA and MassDEP.

PERMITTEE	NPDES#	SEGMENT
The Wakefield Corporation	MAG250965	MA93-31
The Wakefield Corporation is authorized (MAG250965 issued August 1998) to discharge non-contact cooling		
water to Wakefield Brook, which flows into the Mill River. The facility was required to submit the results of one		
whole effluent modified acute and chronic toxicity test using Ceriodaphnia dubia. The individual permit		
MA0002356 for this discharge was terminated in August 1998.		

PERMITTEE	NPDES#	SEGMENT
Wheelabrator Saugus JV	MA0028193	MA93-44

Wheelabrator Saugus JV (formerly Refuse Energy Systems Company (RESCO) is authorized (permit MA0028193 issued September 1991) to discharge, via outfall 001, 60 MGD of once through non-contact cooling water. The facility is engaged in trash burning and power generation and became operational in September 1985. RESCO withdraws water from the Saugus River at their intake structure located southeast of the Route 107 (Salem Turnpike) in East Saugus. The outfall diffuser is located at the bottom of the north edge of the channel in about 20' of water approximately 60% of the distance to the railroad bridge from the steam bridge (Swanson *et al.* 2004). The permit limit for temperature at the outfall is 90°F max and at no time is the discharge to exceed a 20°F rise over the temperature of the intake.

A few violations of temperature limits between January 2000 and August 2006 have been reported. Specifically, In January 2003 the temperature differential was 24°F and in May 2003 the temperature differential was 21°F. In June 2005 the temperature was 91°F and in August 2005 the temperature was 91°F. Also in August 2005 the temperature differential was 21°F. In June 2006 the temperature differential was 22°F.

A pre and post-operational biological monitoring program was required to determine potential impacts associated with the facility's operation on the Saugus River. The pre-operational (one-year baseline) monitoring program was completed in 1984. Field sampling activities performed included ichthyoplankton tows, beach seining, otter trawls, and recording physical data within the river (salinity, temperature, and dissolved oxygen). The post-operative monitoring study began in June 1986 and continued through May 1988 repeating the pre-operative sampling program and the addition of field components to evaluate the potential impacts of the water withdrawal on the local fish community in the Saugus River. Entrainment of ichthyoplankton by the once-through river water-cooling system and impingement of finfish on the traveling intake screens was also evaluated.

The NPDES permit states that the following actions are required to document intake velocity and evaluate intake design:

-Determine intake velocity at several tidal periods. Model and field-test physical and operational changes to intake system that will result in reduced larval entrainment. [*Intake velocities averaged 0.2-0.3 ft/s at low water and mid-tide. The highest single observation was 0.6 ft/sec.*]

- The permittee shall use 1991 ichthyoplankton sampling data and other applicable sources to model RESCO entrainment on adult populations of smelt and winter flounder in the Saugus River. Equivalent winter flounder adults based upon an estimated 3.5 million larvae entrained in 1991 was 216 age 3 adults. Rainbow smelt larval abundance was too low to perform a meaningful analysis.

- The permittee shall report on the results of all of the items mentioned above. The report shall be attached to the October 1991 DMR. If the data were to be judged to be inadequate, the program shall be repeated the following year. [All three of these items were addressed in the October 31, 1991 report by MRI.]

Swanson<sup>1</sup>, C., H. Rines<sup>1</sup>, D.L. Mendelsohn<sup>2</sup>, and W.K. Saunders<sup>2</sup>. 2004. *Temperature Mapping and Hydrothermal Model Calibration of the Lower Saugus River Estuary Draft Report 04-115 prepared for Wheelbrator Saugus, Inc.* <sup>1</sup>Applied Science Associates, Inc. Narragansett, RI and <sup>2</sup>Applied Technology & Management, Inc. Newport, RI

# STORMWATER

The NPDES Phase II General Permit program requires NPDES permit coverage for stormwater discharges from small municipal separate storm sewer systems (MS4s), and construction activity disturbing one acre or more of land in a mapped "urbanized area" defined and delineated by the US Bureau of Census in 2000

http://www.epa.gov/npdes/pubs/fact2-2.pdf Large and medium MS4s (populations over 100,000) were permitted during Phase I of the NPDES stormwater program. Under EPA's Phase II program, the definition of "municipal" includes Massachusetts communities, U.S. military installations, state or federal owned facilities such as hospitals, prison complexes, state colleges or universities and state highways. An MS4 is a system that: discharges at one or more a point sources; is a separate storm sewer system (not designed to carry combined stormwater and sanitary waste water); is operated by a public body; discharges to the Waters of the United States or to another MS4: and, is located in an "Urbanized Area". The NPDES Phase II General Permit requires operators of regulated MS4s to develop and implement a stormwater management program that prevents harmful pollutants from being washed or dumped directly into the storm sewer system which is subsequently discharged into local waterbodies. The NPDES Stormwater Phase II General Permit requires operators of regulated small municipal separate storm sewer systems (MS4s) to develop a stormwater management program that prevents harmful pollutants from being washed or dumped directly into the storm sewer system, and then discharged into local waterbodies. Certain Massachusetts communities



were automatically designated (either in full or part) by the Phase II rule based on the urbanized area delineations from the 2000 U.S. Census.

As a result of the census mapping, all 26 communities in the North Shore Coastal Watersheds were located either totally or partially in the regulated Urbanized Area (see below Figure above). Municipalities that are totally regulated must implement the requirements of the Phase II permit in the entire town, while communities that are partially regulated need to comply with the Phase II permit only in the mapped Urbanized Areas. All North Shore Coastal drainage area communities applied to EPA and MassDEP for coverage under the Phase II stormwater general permit, issued on 1 May 2003. EPA issued stormwater general permits to all 26 North Shore Coastal Watersheds municipalities after administrative review and, in coordination with MassDEP, will complete a thorough review of the communities' stormwater management program during the five-year permit term. Phase II stormwater general permits will expire on 1 May 2008 (Domizio 2004). For detailed community maps see <a href="http://www.epa.gov/region01/npdes/stormwater/ma.html">http://www.epa.gov/region01/npdes/stormwater/ma.html</a>.

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 Table E3. NPDES Phase II stormwater permit information for the North Shore Coastal Watersheds communities.

The <u>NPDES Phase I Storm Water Program</u>, (EPA HQ) in place since 1990, regulates cities and counties with populations of 100,000 that operate a municipal separate storm sewer system (MS4), specific industrial operations (as defined at <u>40 CFR 122.26(b)(14)</u>), and construction activities that disturb 5 or more acres of land. Information for these permittees can be found online at: http://cfpub.epa.gov/npdes/stormwater/noi/noisearch.cfm.

Under a grant from the Executive Office of Environmental Affairs (EOEA) MassDEP to the Massachusetts Watershed Initiative Program, the Vanasse Hangen Brustlin, Inc. (VHB) project team provided technical assistance to 15 communities within the North Coastal Region to begin their efforts towards the development of a Plan to achieve compliance with EPA's NPDES Stormwater Phase II Regulations. The 15 communities included in the project are Gloucester, Beverly, Marblehead, Danvers, Salem, Peabody, Swampscott, Lynn, Lynnfield, Melrose, Reading, Wakefield, Saugus, Malden and Revere.

The project included close coordination between EOEA and the MassDEP Stormwater Outreach Program. The goals of the project were to offer focused Stormwater Phase II compliance assistance. VHB's efforts focused on assessing the existing stormwater management efforts in the communities and assisting the towns in prioritizing their planning and coordination tasks to facilitate the development of their compliance plans (VHB 2001/2002).

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