

Level 3 Project Study Plan

2015 Cuyahoga River Environmental Monitoring

(1) Objectives

The lower Cuyahoga River has been designated as one of 42 Great Lakes Areas of Concern (AOC) by the International Joint Commission. Past monitoring indicated impairment of aquatic biota in the river and was the basis of a Total Maximum Daily Load (TMDL) for the Lower Cuyahoga River. The causes of impairment to the river were classified as organic enrichment, toxicity, low dissolved oxygen, nutrients and flow alteration (Ohio EPA, 2003)¹. Recent monitoring by the Northeast Ohio Regional Sewer District (NEORS), however, has shown recovery of the biological community in some reaches of the river. The purposes of this study, therefore, are to determine the attainment status of the river in relation to point and nonpoint sources of pollution.

During the course of the study, fish communities, benthic macroinvertebrate communities, habitat and water chemistry will be surveyed at ten sites in the Cuyahoga River between River Mile (RM) 16.20 and RM 0.20. The results from these surveys will be used to characterize the overall fish and macroinvertebrate community health in the river.

Fish and macroinvertebrate community health will be evaluated through the use of Ohio EPA's Index of Biotic Integrity (IBI), Modified Index of Well-Being (MIwb), and Invertebrate Community Index (ICI). An examination of the specific characteristics of the biological communities will be used in conjunction with water quality data, the NEORS Macroinvertebrate Field Sheet, and Qualitative Habitat Evaluation Index (QHEI) results in order to identify impacts to the communities. Results will be compared to historic data to show temporal as well as spatial trends. Water chemistry data will also be compared to the Ohio Water Quality Standards to determine attainment of applicable uses (Ohio EPA, 2011).

Finally, the data collected from this study may be used to support three grants funded as part of the Great Lakes Restoration Initiative (GLRI). One of these grants is the *Cuyahoga River Larval Fish Study* funded by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers that is being implemented by the Cuyahoga County Planning Commission. The second is a grant funded by the GLRI, from the Cuyahoga County Department of Public Works, titled *Cuyahoga AOC Urban Riparian Habitat Restoration*. The last one is the Ohio Department of Natural Resource's *Cuyahoga AOC Habitat and Fish Restoration Opportunities* grant. These projects are generally focused on restoration of habitat and fish within the Cuyahoga River.

(2) Point/Nonpoint Sources

¹ See appendix H for a list of all references.

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Point Sources (Location on river)	Nonpoint Sources
Tinkers Creek (RM 16.36)	Urban runoff
Mill Creek (RM 11.49)	Landfills
West Creek (RM 11.05)	Spills
Southerly WWTC (RM 10.57)	Agricultural Runoff
Ohio Canal (RM 8.78)	
Big Creek (RM 7.20)	
Combined Sewer Overflows	
Storm Sewer Overflows	

A map has been provided in section 6 to show point sources that may be influencing the water quality at each sample location. These sources, along with the ones listed in the table above, may be impacting the health of the fish and benthic macroinvertebrate communities in the Cuyahoga River watershed.

(6) Sampling Locations

The following electrofishing and macroinvertebrate sample locations, listed from upstream to downstream, will be surveyed during the 2015 field season. Benthic macroinvertebrate and water chemistry collection sites are located near the midpoint of each electrofishing zone, indicated by RM, unless otherwise noted. GPS coordinates are recorded at the downstream end of each electrofishing zone.

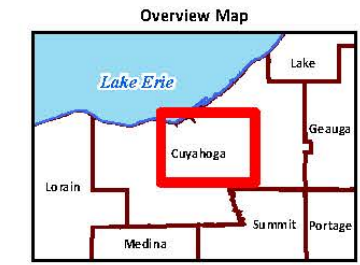
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Location	Latitude	Longitude	River Mile	Description	HUC	Purpose
Downstream of Tinkers Creek	41.3678	-81.6139	16.20	Downstream of confluence with Tinkers Creek near Old Riverview Road	04110002 - Cuyahoga	Background data for fish, habitat, macroinvertebrates, and chlorophyll <i>a</i>
Upstream of Mill Creek	41.4123 41.4101	-81.6364 -81.6346	12.10 ² 11.95	Upstream of the confluence with Mill Creek (I-480)	04110002 - Cuyahoga	Evaluate Mill Creek discharge on fish, habitat and macroinvertebrates
Downstream of Mill Creek	41.4179	-81.6446	11.30	Downstream of confluence with Mill Creek	04110002 - Cuyahoga	Evaluate Mill and West Creek discharges on fish, habitat and macroinvertebrates
Upstream of Southerly WWTC	41.4196	-81.6547	10.75	Upstream of Southerly WWTC effluent discharge	04110002 - Cuyahoga	Evaluate West Creek and Southerly WWTC discharges on fish, habitat and macroinvertebrates and Southerly WWTC discharge on chlorophyll <i>a</i> levels
Downstream of Southerly WWTC	41.4242	-81.6638	10.10	Downstream of Southerly WWTC effluent discharge	04110002 - Cuyahoga	Evaluate Southerly WWTC discharge on fish, habitat, macroinvertebrates, and chlorophyll <i>a</i> levels
Upstream of Big Creek	41.4381	-81.6680	8.60	Upstream of the confluence with Big Creek	04110002 - Cuyahoga	Evaluate Big Creek discharge on fish, habitat and macroinvertebrates
Downstream of Big Creek	41.4497	-81.6815	7.00	Downstream of the confluence with Big Creek/ Upstream of habitat restoration project	04110002 - Cuyahoga	Evaluate Big Creek discharge on fish, habitat and macroinvertebrates; Southerly WWTC discharge on chlorophyll <i>a</i> levels; and effectiveness of habitat restoration in navigation channel on fish
Head of Navigation Channel	41.4619	-81.6816	5.90	Head of navigation channel	04110002 - Cuyahoga	Evaluate effectiveness of habitat restoration in navigation channel on fish

² HD and water chemistry collection site

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Location	Latitude	Longitude	River Mile	Description	HUC	Purpose
Restoration Site	41.4881	-81.6938	2.75	Mid-navigation channel/GLRI habitat restoration project site	04110002 - Cuyahoga	Evaluate effectiveness of habitat restoration in navigation channel on fish
Cuyahoga River Mouth	41.5008	-81.7098	0.20	Near mouth of river in navigation channel	04110002 - Cuyahoga	Evaluate effectiveness of habitat restoration in navigation channel on fish



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- Study Site
- ~ Stream
- CSO Outfall
- Outfall
- District Facility
- NEORSR CSO Combined Sewer
- NEORSR CSO Responsibility Sewer
- NEORSR Intercommunity Relief Sewer
- NEORSR INTERCEPTOR
- Local Combined Sewer
- Local Culverted Stream
- Local Sanitary Sewer
- Local Storm Sewer



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(3) Parameters Covered

Fish specimens will be identified to species level, weighed, counted and examined for the presence of external anomalies including DELTs (deformities, eroded fins, lesions and tumors). An Ohio EPA Fish Data Sheet (Appendix A) will be completed during each assessment. Quantitative fish sampling is expected to be conducted at all locations.

Macroinvertebrate community assemblages will be collected from each location. Third Rock Consultants, LLC will identify and enumerate the specimens collected from each site. All specimens will be identified to the lowest practical taxonomic level as recommended in Ohio EPA's *Biological Criteria for the Protection of Aquatic Life, Volume III* (1987b)¹. The NEORSD Macroinvertebrate Field Sheet (Appendix A) will be completed at each site during sampler retrieval or when qualitative sampling is conducted.

Stream habitat will be measured by scoring components of the QHEI at all locations, including the substrate, instream cover, channel morphology, riparian zone, bank erosion, pool/glide and riffle/run quality and gradient. The HHEI will be conducted at those sites with drainage areas less than one square mile listed under PSPs with general watershed monitoring. The Lacustrary QHEI (L-QHEI) will be performed at sites that are affected by the water level of Lake Erie. Examples of the Ohio EPA field sheets for the QHEI, L-QHEI and the HHEI can be found in Appendix A.

Water chemistry samples will be collected at each electrofishing/macroinvertebrate sampling site included in the study. Water chemistry samples will be analyzed by NEORSD's Analytical Services Division. Appendix B lists the parameters to be tested along with the detection limits and practical quantitation limits. Field measurements for dissolved oxygen, pH, temperature, conductivity and turbidity will also be performed. A Surface Water Condition Sampling Field Data Form will be completed at each site during each sampling event (Appendix A).

Benthic and water column chlorophyll *a* samples may be collected from stream locations. Chemical and physical water quality parameters to be measured in conjunction with the chlorophyll *a* samples include total phosphorus, dissolved reactive phosphorus, nitrite, nitrate+nitrite, ammonia, alkalinity, turbidity and suspended solids. In the Cuyahoga River, YSI 6600EDS data sondes may be

¹See Appendix H for a list of all references.

installed at RMs 16.20, 10.75, 10.10, and 7.00 around the time that this sampling is conducted to more frequently monitor dissolved oxygen, temperature, conductivity, specific conductivity and pH.

(4) Field Collection and Data Assessment Techniques

Field collections for fish will be conducted at all stream locations. Sampling will be conducted using longline, backpack, or boat electrofishing techniques and will consist of shocking all habitat types within a sampling zone. Headwater and wading sites, which are 0.15 and 0.20 kilometers in length, respectively, will be surveyed by moving from downstream to upstream. Boat sites, which are 0.50 kilometers in length, will be surveyed by moving from upstream to downstream. The stunned fish will be collected and placed into a live well for later identification. The longline, backpack, and boat electrofishing zones will be assessed one to three times during the field season (June 15 - October 15).

Fish will be identified to the species level, weighed, counted, and examined for the presence of external anomalies including DELTs. Fish easily identified (commonly collected from year to year) will be returned to the site from which they are collected. Fish species difficult to identify will be brought back to the laboratory for verification by NEORSD Level 3 Fish Qualified Data Collectors (QDC). If necessary, vouchers will be sent to The Ohio State University Museum of Biological Diversity for verification by the Curator and/or Associate Curator of Fish. Voucher specimens will be collected as described in section (14).

Endangered species and those too large for preservation will not be collected as voucher specimens, but will instead be photographed. Photographed vouchers will include features that permit definitive identification of the particular species.

Fish will be preserved in 10 percent formalin in the field, soaked in tap water for 24 to 48 hours after 5 to 7 days, then transferred to solutions of 30 and 50 percent ethanol for 5 to 7 days each and, finally, to 70 percent ethanol for long-term storage. Specimens larger than six inches will be slit along the right side and then soaked in formalin for approximately 10 to 14 days before being transferred to water and solutions of 30, 50 and 70 percent ethanol. Label information will include location (description and coordinates), date, time, collectors' names and sample identification code for each specimen collected.

Macroinvertebrate sampling will be conducted using quantitative and qualitative sampling techniques. Quantitative sampling will be done using a modified Hester-Dendy multi-plate artificial substrate sampler (HD) that is colonized for a six-week period. Multiple HD samplers may be installed at one or all sampling locations in case samplers are lost due to vandalism, burial, etc. and for the purposes of providing a replicate sample. Qualitative sampling will be conducted using a D-frame dip net when HD samplers are retrieved. The NEORSD

Macroinvertebrate Field Sheet will be completed during each HD retrieval. Ronald Maichle of NEORSD, a Level 3 QDC for Benthic Macroinvertebrate Biology, may identify specimens in the replicate sample to the lowest practical taxonomic level as recommended in Ohio EPA's *Biological Criteria for the Protection of Aquatic Life, Volume III* (1987b).

Macroinvertebrate voucher specimens for both quantitative and qualitative sampling will be collected as described in section (14). Macroinvertebrate community assemblages collected will be shipped to Third Rock Consultants, LLC (Lexington, KY) for identification and enumeration. Third Rock Consultants, LLC will identify specimens to the lowest practical taxonomic level as recommended in Ohio EPA's *Biological Criteria for the Protection of Aquatic Life, Volume III* (1987b).

A detailed description of the sampling and analysis methods utilized in the fish community and macroinvertebrate surveys, including calculations of the IBI, MIwb, and ICI, can be found in Ohio EPA's *Biological Criteria for the Protection of Aquatic Life, Volumes II* (1987a) and *III* (1987b). Methods for assessing fish and macroinvertebrate communities in lacustrine zones can be found in Ohio EPA's draft *Biological Criteria for the Protection of Aquatic Life, Volume IV* (1997).

The QHEI, as described in Ohio EPA's *Methods for Assessing Habitat in Flowing Waters: Using the Qualitative Habitat Evaluation Index (QHEI)* (2006) will be used to assess aquatic habitat conditions at each sample location. The L-QHEI will be used where appropriate and will follow Ohio EPA's draft *Methods of Assessing Habitat in Lake Erie Shoreline Waters Using the Qualitative Habitat Evaluation Index (QHEI) Approach (Version 2.1)* (2010).

The HHEI as described in Ohio EPA's *Field Evaluation Manual for Ohio's Primary Headwater Habitat Streams* (2012a) will be used, when necessary, to conduct use attainability analyses and to classify the actual and expected biological conditions in primary headwater habitat streams.

Water chemistry sampling may occur across a variety of flow conditions. Techniques used for water chemistry sampling and chemical analyses will follow the *Surface Water Field Sampling Manual* (Ohio EPA, 2013). Chemical water quality samples from each site will be collected with at least one 4-liter disposable polyethylene cubitainers with disposable polypropylene lids and two 473-mL plastic bottles. Water samples collected for analysis of dissolved reactive phosphorus will be filtered using a 0.45- μ m PVDF syringe filter and will be collected in a 125-mL plastic bottle. Bacteriological samples will be collected in a sterile plastic bottle preserved with sodium thiosulfate. All water quality samples

will be collected as grab samples. Field blanks and duplicate samples will each comprise not less than 5% of the total samples collected for this study plan, for a total frequency of quality control samples of not less than 10% of the total samples collected. With the exception of bacteriological duplicate samples, the acceptable percent RPD will be based on the ratio of the sample concentration and detection limit (Ohio EPA, 2013): Acceptable % RPD = $[(0.9465X^{-0.344}) * 100] + 5$, where X = sample/detection limit ratio. For bacteriological duplicates, duplicate samples more than 5x apart from one another (%RPD > 133.3%) will be rejected in accordance with the Ohio EPA approved method for data validation of bacteriological samples outlined in Section F of the *Ohio 2012 Integrated Water Quality Monitoring and Assessment Report* (Ohio EPA, 2012b). Those RPDs that were higher than acceptable may indicate potential problems with sample collection and, as a result, the data will not be used for comparison to the water quality standards. Acid preservation of the samples, as specified in the NEORSD laboratory's standard operating procedure for each parameter, will occur in the field. Appendix B lists the analytical method, method detection limit and practical quantitation limit for each parameter analyzed. Field analyses include the use of either a YSI-556 MPS Multi-Parameter Water Quality Meter, YSI EXO1 sonde, or YSI 600XL sonde to measure dissolved oxygen (DO), water temperature, conductivity and pH; and when necessary, a Hanna HI 98129 meter to measure pH and a Hach HQ30d meter with LDO101 probe to measure DO. Field turbidity will be measured using either a Hach 2100P Portable Turbidimeter or Hach 2100Q Turbidimeter. Specifications for these meters have been included in Appendix C.

Benthic and water column chlorophyll *a* samples may be collected if time and resources allow. Sampling methods will follow those detailed in the NEORSD *Chlorophyll a Sampling and Field Filtering Standard Operating Procedure* (SOP-EA001-00). A Chlorophyll *a* Sampling Field Sheet will be completed for each site (Appendix D). Water chemistry grab samples will be collected at the same time using the methods discussed previously and will be analyzed for nutrients, turbidity, alkalinity and suspended solids. Additionally in the Cuyahoga River, approximately 24-hours prior to each chlorophyll *a* sampling event, YSI 6600 EDS data sondes may be deployed at RMs 16.20, 10.75, 10.10 and 7.00. If installed, each data sonde will record, at fifteen-minute intervals, dissolved oxygen concentration, pH, temperature, and conductivity from the time the data sonde is deployed until the time it is retrieved. These data sondes will be placed in the stream by inserting each one into a 4.5-inch PVC pipe with holes drilled into the sides of the lower third of the pipe to allow water to pass through it. The data sondes will remain in the river for approximately 24-hours or longer following collection of the chlorophyll *a* samples.

Where possible, data assessment will include an analysis of temporal and spatial trends in the collected data. Species assemblages and individual metrics will be

analyzed. Graphs that show current and historic QHEI, L-QHEI, IBI, LIBI, MIwb, ICI, and LICI scores and how these scores compare to attainment status of biocriteria will be prepared. Water chemistry data collected will be compared to Ohio water quality standards to determine whether any excursions from the applicable water quality criteria have occurred. It will also be used to determine any relationships among individual parameters and chlorophyll *a* concentrations. Comparisons between water quality and biological community health will only be made if at least three water quality samples have been collected from that site.

(5) Stream Flow Measurement

Stream flow will be recorded for all locations during each electrofishing pass utilizing data from the United States Geological Survey (USGS) gauge station nearest the stream location, if applicable.

Stream flow will be measured with a Marsh-McBirney FloMate Model 2000 Portable Flow Meter, a HACH FH950 Flow Meter or an Aquaflow Probe Model 6900, which measure flow in feet per second, when HD samplers are installed and retrieved. The specifications for the flow meters can be found in Appendix C.

(7) Schedule

One to three electrofishing surveys will be conducted at each site between June 15 and October 15, 2015. Surveys will be conducted at least three weeks apart. Specific dates have not been scheduled. River flow and weather conditions will be assessed weekly to determine when each electrofishing pass will be conducted.

Artificial substrate samplers will be installed at stream locations between June 15 and August 19, 2015, and retrieved six weeks later. Qualitative macroinvertebrate sampling will be conducted one time at all sites. Specific dates have not been scheduled. River flow and weather conditions will be assessed weekly to determine when the HD sampler installations and retrievals and qualitative sampling will be conducted.

QHEI, and if necessary, HHEI and L-QHEI habitat evaluations will be conducted one time between June 15 and October 15, 2015. QHEI evaluations will be conducted around the same time as one of the electrofishing surveys.

Water chemistry samples will be collected a minimum of three times from stream locations between June 15 and October 15, 2015.

Benthic and water column chlorophyll *a* samples may be collected at least one time from stream locations between June 15 and October 15, 2015. These samples will be collected under low-flow conditions.

(8) QA/QC

Quality assurance and quality control of sampling and analysis methods for habitat, fish, and macroinvertebrate evaluations will follow Ohio EPA's *Biological Criteria for the Protection of Aquatic Life, Volumes II* (1987a) and *III* (1987b), *Methods for Assessing Habitat in Flowing Waters: Using the Qualitative Habitat Evaluation Index (QHEI)* (2006), *Field Evaluation Manual for Ohio's Primary Headwater Habitat Streams* (2012a), draft *Biological Criteria for the Protection of Aquatic Life: Volume IV: Fish and Macroinvertebrate Indices for Ohio's Lake Erie Nearshore Waters, Harbors, and Lacustraries* (1997) and draft *Methods of Assessing Habitat in Lake Erie Shoreline Waters Using the Qualitative Habitat Evaluation Index (QHEI) Approach (Version 2.1)* (2010)

Electrofishing equipment will be used according to the guidelines listed in the operation and maintenance manual provided by Smith-Root, Inc. Malfunctioning equipment will not be used to collect data. Proper steps will be taken to correct any problems as soon as possible, whether by repairing in the field, at the NEORSD Environmental & Maintenance Services Center, or by contacting the supplier or an appropriate service company.

Fish species difficult to identify will be brought back to the laboratory for verification by Level 3 Fish QDC's, and if necessary, sent to The Ohio State University Museum of Biological Diversity for verification by the Curator and/or Associate Curator of Fish. Voucher specimens will be collected as described in section (14). Endangered species and those too large for preservation will not be collected as voucher specimens, but will instead be photographed. Photographed vouchers will include features that permit definitive identification of the particular species.

All macroinvertebrate community assemblages from stream locations, except for the replicate sample, will be collected and shipped to Third Rock Consultants, LLC for identification and enumeration. All specimens will be identified to the lowest practical taxonomic level as recommended in Ohio EPA's *Biological Criteria for the Protection of Aquatic Life, Volume III* (1987b). All macroinvertebrate specimens will be returned to NEORSD. At least two voucher specimens of each species, when available, will be separated into individual vials and kept as described in section (14). The remaining specimens for each site will be returned in a single container labeled with the site number and collection method and date. All specimens and accompanying chain-of-custody documentation will be retained by NEORSD and stored at the Environmental & Maintenance Services Center for a period not less than ten years.

Water samples obtained for chemical analyses will be collected, preserved (see Section 4), labeled and then placed on ice inside the field truck. The field truck will remain locked at all times when not occupied/visible. Sampling activities, including sample time and condition of surface water sampled, will be entered in a field log book and on the Surface Water Condition Sampling Field Data Form. The samples will then be delivered immediately to the NEORSD Analytical Services cooler, after which the door to the cooler will be locked, and the samples will be transferred to the custody of Analytical Services. The NEORSD Analytical Services Quality Manual and associated Standard Operating Procedures are on file with Ohio EPA. The Quality Assurance Officer at Analytical Services will send updates, revisions and any information on document control to Ohio EPA as needed.

For benthic and water column chlorophyll *a* sampling, three filtrations will be performed for each sample. A field filtration blank will be submitted for every 20 samples.

Calibration of YSI 6600EDS data sondes will be done according to the YSI Environmental Operations Manual. The conductivity will be calibrated first using a 1.413 mS/cm standard. Second, the pH will be calibrated using two different buffers (7 and 10 s.u.). The DO will be calibrated last with an acceptable error of 0.2 mg/L.

Once the sondes are removed from the river, the accuracy of the data that has been collected will be checked by comparing readings taken by the sondes to known standards. If the measurements taken at this time meet quality control goals, all of the data collected since the last calibration will be considered accurate. The acceptable differences for pH and conductivity will be ± 0.3 with pH 7 buffer and $\pm 10\%$ of the conductivity standard, respectively (EPA New England- Region 1, 2005). The acceptable difference for DO will be ± 0.2 mg/L. If the measurements do not meet quality control goals, best professional judgment will be used to decide if any of the data collected during that period may still be accurate. For example, the data collected from the four locations may be plotted on the same graph, and if it appears that the data points are following similar trends, they may be considered accurate. If any data that do not meet quality control goals are used, a rationale for their inclusion will be provided when the data are submitted.

(9) Work Products

Within one year of completion of the project, fish data (species, numbers, weights, pollution tolerances, the incidence of DELT anomalies, IBI or LIBI, MIwb scores), macroinvertebrate data (types and numbers of macroinvertebrates collected and ICI or LICI scores), habitat data (QHEI or L-QHEI raw data and scores) and water chemistry results will be submitted to the Ohio EPA or an Ohio

EPA approved data warehouse. Additionally, reports summarizing, interpreting, graphically presenting and discussing the IBI (LIBI, where applicable), MIwb, ICI (LICI, where applicable) and QHEI (L-QHEI, where applicable) scores, chlorophyll *a* results, and any excursions from water quality standards may be prepared for internal use.

(10) Qualified Data Collectors

The following Level 3 Qualified Data Collectors (QDC) will be involved with this study:

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John W. Rhoades ¹	4747 East 49 th Street Cuyahoga Hts., Ohio 44125	rhoadesj@neorsd.org	216-641-6000	QDC - 00008 CWQA/FCB/SHA/ BMB
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Seth Hothem	4747 East 49 th Street Cuyahoga Hts., Ohio 44125	hothems@neorsd.org	216-641-6000	QDC - 00010 CWQA/FCB/SHA/ BMB
Tom Zablonty	4747 East 49 th Street Cuyahoga Hts., Ohio 44125	zablontyt@neorsd.org	216-641-6000	QDC - 00018 CWQA/FCB/SHA
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¹ NEORS Lead Project Manager
² See acknowledgement letter for conducting QHEIs (Appendix F)
³ Benthic Macroinvertebrate Identification

The following is a list of persons not qualified as Level 3 QDCs who may be involved in the project. Prior to the start of sampling, the project managers will explain to each individual the proper methods for sampling. Sampling will only be completed under the direct observation of a QDC. The lead project manager will be responsible for reviewing all reports and data analysis prepared by qualified personnel prior to completion.

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Kelsey Amidon	4747 East 49 th Street Cuyahoga Hts., Ohio 44125	amidonk@neorsd.org	216-641-6000
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NEORSD Summer Co-op #1	4747 East 49 th Street Cuyahoga Hts., Ohio 44125	To Be Determined	216-641-6000
NEORSD Summer Co-op #2	4747 East 49 th Street Cuyahoga Hts., Ohio 44125	To Be Determined	216-641-6000
NEORSD Summer Co-op #3	4747 East 49 th Street Cuyahoga Hts., Ohio 44125	To Be Determined	216-641-6000
NEORSD Summer Co-op #4	4747 East 49 th Street Cuyahoga Hts., Ohio 44125	To Be Determined	216-641-6000

(11) Contract laboratory contact information

All bacteriological and/or chemical sample analysis will be completed by NEORSD's Analytical Services Division. Evidence of NEORSD's Analytical Services current accreditation and method dates can be found in Appendix E. The contact information for NEORSD's Analytical Service Division is:

NEORSD Analytical Services
 Mr. Mark Citriglia
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 216-641-6000

Any fish that is not positively identified in the field, or at NEORSD, will be sent to The Ohio State University Museum of Biological Diversity for verification by the Curator and/or Associate Curator of Fish. Fish will be identified to the species level.

Dr. Ted Cavender, Curator of Fish / Mr. Marc Kibbey, Associate Curator of Fish
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614-292-7873

Identification of macroinvertebrates for stream locations will be completed by Third Rock Consultants LLC (Lexington, Kentucky) (Appendix F). Benthic macroinvertebrates will be identified to the lowest practical level as recommended by Ohio EPA (1987b). Third Rock Consultants LLC contact information:

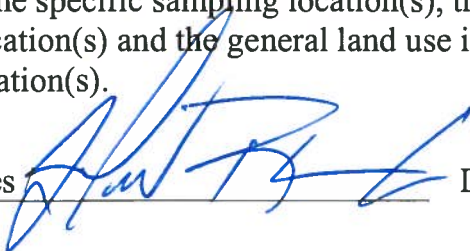
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- (12) Copy of ODNR collector's permit
See Appendix G.

- (13) Digital Catalog Statement

A digital photo catalog of all sampling locations will be maintained for 10 years and will include photos of the specific sampling location(s), the riparian zone adjacent to the sampling location(s) and the general land use in the immediate vicinity of the sampling location(s).

Print/Signature: John W. Rhoades



Date: 04/13/15

- (14) Voucher Specimen Statement

NEORSD will maintain a benthic macroinvertebrate and fish voucher collection which includes two specimens, or appropriate photo vouchers, of each species or taxa collected during the course of biological sampling from any stream within the NEORSD's service area. When benthic macroinvertebrates from multiple surface waters are collected within the same year and identified by the same QDC, one voucher collection will be created to represent the specimens collected from those

streams. When fish specimens from multiple surface waters are collected within the same year, one voucher collection will be created to represent the specimens collected from those streams. A separate collection for each sampling event will not be maintained.

NEORSR will provide specimens or photo vouchers to the Director upon request. This collection will be stored at the NEORSR laboratory in the Environmental and Maintenance Services Center.

Print/Signature: John W. Rhoades

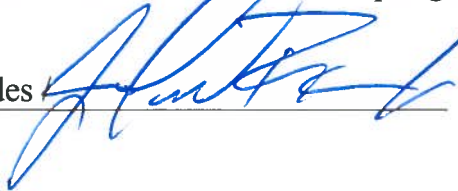


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(15) Sample Location Statement

I attest that I will make available any and all sampling location information, including but not limited to; the name of the water body sampled, sampling location latitude and longitude, sampling location river mile where possible, general location information, the U.S. geological survey HUC 8 number and name, and the purpose for data collection at each sampling location.

Print/Signature: John W. Rhoades



Date: 04/13/15

(16) Additional L3 Data Collector Statement

The Lead Project Manager for all stream locations is approved for all project data types.


Print/Signature: John W. Rhoades




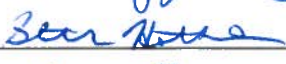
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(17) Trespassing Statement


I have not been convicted or pleaded guilty to a Violation of section 2911.21 of the Revised Code (criminal trespass) or a substantially similar municipal ordinance within the previous five years.


Print/Signature: John W. Rhoades  Date: 04/13/15

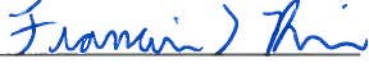
Print/Signature: Cathy Zamborsky  Date: 4/10/15


Print/Signature: Seth Hothem  Date: 4/10/15

Print/Signature: Tom Zablony  Date: 4 10 15

Print/Signature: Ron Maichle  Date: 04-10-15

Print/Signature: Jillian Knittle  Date: 4/13/15

Print/Signature: Francisco Rivera  Date: 4/13/15

Print/Signature: Jonathan Brauer  Date: 4/10/15

Appendix A



FISH DATA SHEET

Sheet ID For Office Use Only

New Station (requires lat/long & county)

Mix Zone

Page of

Station ID River Code RM Date Time

Stream Location

Comments

Lat Long County ALP Time Fished

Crew Netter Others Sampler Type

Distance Flow Temp. C Secchi Source Project

Table with columns: Fins Code, Number Weighed, Total Counted, Total Weight, Weights (Counts), and DELT ANOMALIES (D, E, L, T, M, *).

* A-anchor worm; B-black spot; C-licees; F-fungus; N-blind; P-parasites; S-emaciated, W-swirled scales Y-popeye; Z-other

NEORS Macroinvertebrate Field Sheet

Stream: _____ River Mile: _____ Year: _____

Location: _____ Project: _____

Drainage Area (mi²): _____ Latitude (°N)/Longitude (°W): _____

Hester-Dendy Deployment Information

Install Date: _____ Crew (QDC Circled): _____

Current at HD (fps): _____ Depth (cm): _____ Pictures Obtained: Yes No

Reinstall Date: _____ Crew (QDC Circled): _____

Current (fps): _____ Depth (cm): _____ Reason: _____

Reinstall Date: _____ Crew (QDC Circled): _____

Current (fps): _____ Depth (cm): _____ Reason: _____

Sampling/Retrieval Information

Sampling Method: Hester-Dendy Dipnet Surber Core Other: _____

Sample ID: HD: _____ Qualitative: _____ Other: _____

Sampling Date: _____ Crew (QDC Circled): _____

HD Condition- Current (fps): _____ Depth (cm): _____ Water Temp: _____ °F / °C

Number of HD Blocks Obtained: _____ Remarks: _____

Disturbed: Yes No Comments: _____

Debris: Yes No Comments: _____

Silt/Solids: None Slight Moderate Heavy

Dipnet- Time Sampled (min): _____ X Number of Crew: _____ = Total (min): _____

Habitats Sampled: Pool Riffle Run Margin Backwater

River Sampling Conditions

Flow Condition: Flood Above Normal Normal Low Interstitial Intermittent Dry

Current Velocity: Fast Moderate Slow Non-detect

Channel Morphology: Natural Channelized Channelized (Recovered) Impounded

Bank Erosion: Extensive Moderate Slight None

Riffle Development: Extensive Moderate Sparse Absent

Riffle Quality: Good Fair Poor *Embedded:* Yes No

Water Clarity: Clear Murky Turbid *Other:* _____

Water Color: None Green Brown Grey *Other:* _____

Canopy over HD: Open 75 % 50 % 25 % Closed

Comment Section: _____

OEPA Comment Field Codes: _____

Samples Analyzed By: _____ **QDC #:** _____ **Date:** _____

Physical Characteristics

Substrate Characteristics

	Pool Units	Riffle Units	Run Units
Bedrock			
Boulder			
Rubble			
Coarse Gravel			
Fine Gravel			
Sand			
Silt			
Clay/Hardpan			
Detritus			
Peat			
Muck			
Other			
Macrophytes			
Algae			
Artifacts			
Compaction (F,M,S)			
Depth (Avg)			
Width (Avg)			

Predominant Land Use (Left, Right or Both)

Forest	Urban	Open Pasture
Shrub	Residential/Park	Closed Pasture
Old Field	Mining/Construction	
Rowcrop	Wetland	
Industrial	Other	

Predominant Riparian Vegetation

Left	Right	Type
_____	_____	Large Trees
_____	_____	Small Trees
_____	_____	Shrubs
_____	_____	Grass/Weeds
_____	_____	None

Margin Habitat

Margin Quality:	Good	Fair	Poor
Undercut Banks	Root Mats		Tree Roots
Grass	Water Willow		Woody Debris
Shallows	Clay/Hardpan		Macrophytes
Rip Rap	Bulkhead		
Other	_____		

Biological Characteristics

Riffle:

Predominant Organism: _____

Other Common Organisms: _____

Density: High Moderate Low

Diversity: High Moderate Low

Run:

Predominant Organism: _____

Other Common Organisms: _____

Density: High Moderate Low

Diversity: High Moderate Low

Pool:

Predominant Organism: _____

Other Common Organisms: _____

Density: High Moderate Low

Diversity: High Moderate Low

Margin:

Predominant Organism: _____

Other Common Organisms: _____

Density: High Moderate Low

Diversity: High Moderate Low

Other Notable Collections: _____

V= Very Abundant; A= Abundant; C= Common; R= Rare

Overall Amount (V=>151; A= 150-101; C= 100-11; R= 10-1)

/	Porifera, Bryozoa
/ /	Turbellaria, Oligochaeta, Hirudinea
/	Isopoda, Amphipoda
/	Decapoda, Hydracarina
	Ephemeroptera
	Baetidae
/ /	Heptageniidae, Leptohyphidae, Caenidae
	Other _____
/	Zygoptera, Anisoptera
	Plecoptera
	Hemiptera
/	Megaloptera, Neuroptera
	Trichoptera
	Hydropsychidae
/	Hydroptilidae, Leptoceridae
	Other _____
	Coleoptera
	Elimidae
	Other _____
	Diptera
	Chironomidae
	Other _____
/	Gastropoda, Bivalvia
	Other _____

Field Narrative Rating: E VG G MG F P VP

Score box

Stream & Location: RM: Date:

Scorers Full Name & Affiliation: Northeast Ohio Regional Sewer District

River Code: STORET #: Lat./ Long.: 18 Office verified location

1) SUBSTRATE Check ONLY Two substrate TYPE BOXES; estimate % or note every type present

Substrate assessment grid with categories: BEST TYPES, OTHER TYPES, POOL RIFFLE, ORIGIN, QUALITY. Includes checkboxes for various substrate types and a score box.

2) INSTREAM COVER Indicate presence 0 to 3: 0-Absent; 1-Very small amounts or if more common of marginal quality; 2-Moderate amounts, but not of highest quality or in small amounts of highest quality; 3-Highest quality in moderate or greater amounts (e.g., very large boulders in deep or fast water, large diameter log that is stable, well developed rootwad in deep / fast water, or deep, well-defined, functional pools.

Instream Cover assessment grid with categories: UNDERCUT BANKS, OVERHANGING VEGETATION, SHALLOWS, ROOTMATS, POOLS, ROOTWADS, BOULDERS, OXBOWS, AQUATIC MACROPHYTES, LOGS OR WOODY DEBRIS. Includes checkboxes and a score box.

3) CHANNEL MORPHOLOGY Check ONE in each category (Or 2 & average)

Channel Morphology assessment grid with categories: SINUOSITY, DEVELOPMENT, CHANNELIZATION, STABILITY. Includes checkboxes and a score box.

4) BANK EROSION AND RIPARIAN ZONE Check ONE in each category for EACH BANK (Or 2 per bank & average)

Bank Erosion and Riparian Zone assessment grid with categories: EROSION, RIPARIAN WIDTH, FLOOD PLAIN QUALITY, CONSERVATION TILLAGE, URBAN OR INDUSTRIAL, MINING / CONSTRUCTION. Includes checkboxes and a score box.

5) POOL / GLIDE AND RIFFLE / RUN QUALITY

Pool / Glide and Riffle / Run Quality assessment grid with categories: MAXIMUM DEPTH, CHANNEL WIDTH, CURRENT VELOCITY, Recreation Potential. Includes checkboxes and a score box.

Indicate for functional riffles; Best areas must be large enough to support a population of riffle-obligate species: Check ONE (Or 2 & average).

Riffle / Run Quality assessment grid with categories: RIFFLE DEPTH, RUN DEPTH, RIFFLE / RUN SUBSTRATE, RIFFLE / RUN EMBEDDEDNESS. Includes checkboxes and a score box.

6) GRADIENT (DRAINAGE AREA) Assessment grid with categories: GRADIENT, DRAINAGE AREA, % POOL, % GLIDE, % RUN, % RIFFLE. Includes checkboxes and score boxes.

Comment RE: Reach consistency/Is reach typical of stream?, Recreation/ Observed - Inferred, Other/ Sampling observations, Concerns, Access directions, etc.

AJ SAMPLED REACH

Check ALL that apply

METHOD

- BOAT
- WADE
- L. LINE
- OTHER

STAGE

- HIGH
- UP
- NORMAL
- LOW
- DRY

CLARITY

- 0.5 Km
- 0.2 Km
- 0.15 Km
- 0.12 Km
- OTHER

meters

CANOPY

- > 85%- OPEN
- 55%-<85%
- 30%-<55%
- 10%-<30%
- <10%- CLOSED

CJ RECREATION

POOL: >100R2 >3ft

BI/AESTHETICS

- NUISANCE ALGAE
- INVASIVE MACROPHYTES
- EXCESS TURBIDITY
- DISCOLORATION
- FOAM / SCUM
- OIL SHEEN
- TRASH / LITTER
- NUISANCE ODOR
- SLUDGE DEPOSITS
- CSOs/ISSOs/OUTFALLS

DJ MAINTENANCE

- PUBLIC / PRIVATE / BOTH / NA
- ACTIVE / HISTORIC / BOTH / NA
- YOUNG-SUCCESSION-OLD
- SPRAY / SNAG / REMOVED
- MODIFIED / DIPPED OUT / NA
- LEVEED / ONE SIDED
- RELOCATED / CUTOFFS
- MOVING-BEDLOAD-STABLE
- ARMoured / SLUMPS
- ISLANDS / SCoured
- IMPounded / DESICCATED
- FLOOD CONTROL / DRAINAGE

Circle some & COMMENT

EJ ISSUES

- WWTP / CSO / NPDES / INDUSTRY
- HARDENED / URBAN / DIRT&GRIME
- CONTAMINATED / LANDFILL
- BMPs-CONSTRUCTION-SEDIMENT
- LOGGING / IRRIGATION / COOLING
- BANK / EROSION / SURFACE
- FALSE BANK / MANURE / LAGOON
- WASH H₂O / TILE / H₂O TABLE
- ACID / MINE / QUARRY / FLOW
- NATURAL / WETLAND / STAGNANT
- PARK / GOLF / LAWN / HOME
- ATMOSPHERE / DATA PAUCITY

FJ MEASUREMENTS

- \bar{x} width
- \bar{x} depth
- max. depth
- \bar{x} bankfull width
- bankfull \bar{x} depth
- W/D ratio
- bankfull max. depth
- floodprone x^2 width
- entrench. ratio

Legacy Tree:

Stream Drawing:



Primary Headwater Habitat Evaluation Form

HHEI Score (sum of metrics 1, 2, 3) :

1

SITE NAME/LOCATION _____

SITE NUMBER _____ RIVER BASIN _____ DRAINAGE AREA (mi²) _____

LENGTH OF STREAM REACH (ft) _____ LAT. _____ LONG. _____ RIVER CODE _____ RIVER MILE _____

DATE _____ SCORER _____ COMMENTS _____

NOTE: Complete All Items On This Form - Refer to "Field Evaluation Manual for Ohio's PHWH Streams" for Instructions

STREAM CHANNEL MODIFICATIONS: NONE / NATURAL CHANNEL RECOVERED RECOVERING RECENT OR NO RECOVERY

1. SUBSTRATE (Estimate percent of every type of substrate present. Check ONLY two predominant substrate TYPE boxes (Max of 32). Add total number of significant substrate types found (Max of 8). Final metric score is sum of boxes A & B.)

TYPE	PERCENT	TYPE	PERCENT
<input type="checkbox"/> BLDR SLABS [16 pts]	<input type="text" value="0%"/>	<input type="checkbox"/> SILT [3 pt]	<input type="text" value="0%"/>
<input type="checkbox"/> BOULDER (>256 mm) [16 pts]	<input type="text" value="0%"/>	<input type="checkbox"/> LEAF PACK/WOODY DEBRIS [3 pts]	<input type="text" value="0%"/>
<input type="checkbox"/> BEDROCK [16 pt]	<input type="text" value="0%"/>	<input type="checkbox"/> FINE DETRITUS [3 pts]	<input type="text" value="0%"/>
<input type="checkbox"/> COBBLE (65-256 mm) [12 pts]	<input type="text" value="0%"/>	<input type="checkbox"/> CLAY or HARDPAN [0 pt]	<input type="text" value="0%"/>
<input type="checkbox"/> GRAVEL (2-64 mm) [9 pts]	<input type="text" value="0%"/>	<input type="checkbox"/> MUCK [0 pts]	<input type="text" value="0%"/>
<input type="checkbox"/> SAND (<2 mm) [6 pts]	<input type="text" value="0%"/>	<input type="checkbox"/> ARTIFICIAL [3 pts]	<input type="text" value="0%"/>

Total of Percentages of Bldr Slabs, Boulder, Cobble, Bedrock: **0.00%** (A)

Substrate Percentage: **0%** (B)

SCORE OF TWO MOST PREDOMINATE SUBSTRATE TYPES: 0 **TOTAL NUMBER OF SUBSTRATE TYPES: 1**

2. Maximum Pool Depth (Measure the maximum pool depth within the 61 meter (200 ft) evaluation reach at the time of evaluation. Avoid plunge pools from road culverts or storm water pipes) (Check ONLY one box):

<input type="checkbox"/> > 30 centimeters [20 pts]	<input type="checkbox"/> > 5 cm - 10 cm [15 pts]
<input type="checkbox"/> > 22.5 - 30 cm [30 pts]	<input type="checkbox"/> < 5 cm [5 pts]
<input type="checkbox"/> > 10 - 22.5 cm [25 pts]	<input type="checkbox"/> NO WATER OR MOIST CHANNEL [0 pts]

COMMENTS _____ **MAXIMUM POOL DEPTH (centimeters):** _____

3. BANK FULL WIDTH (Measured as the average of 3-4 measurements) (Check ONLY one box):

<input type="checkbox"/> > 4.0 meters (> 13') [30 pts]	<input type="checkbox"/> > 1.0 m - 1.5 m (> 3' 3" - 4' 8") [15 pts]
<input type="checkbox"/> > 3.0 m - 4.0 m (> 9' 7" - 13') [25 pts]	<input type="checkbox"/> ≤ 1.0 m (≤ 3' 3") [5 pts]
<input type="checkbox"/> > 1.5 m - 3.0 m (> 9' 7" - 4' 8") [20 pts]	

COMMENTS _____ **AVERAGE BANKFULL WIDTH (meters):** _____

HHEI Metric Points

Substrate Max = 40

1
A + B

Pool Depth Max = 30

0

Bankfull Width Max=30

0

This information must also be completed

RIPARIAN ZONE AND FLOODPLAIN QUALITY ☆NOTE: River Left (L) and Right (R) as looking downstream☆

RIPARIAN WIDTH		FLOODPLAIN QUALITY			
L	R	L	R	L	R
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Wide >10m		Mature Forest, Wetland		Conservation Tillage	
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Moderate 5-10m		Immature Forest, Shrub or Old Field		Urban or Industrial	
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Narrow <5m		Residential, Park, New Field		Open Pasture, Row Crop	
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
None		Fenced Pasture		Mining or Construction	

COMMENTS _____

FLOW REGIME (At Time of Evaluation) (Check ONLY one box):

<input type="checkbox"/> Stream Flowing	<input type="checkbox"/> Moist Channel, isolated pools, no flow (Intermittent)
<input type="checkbox"/> Subsurface flow with isolated pools (Interstitial)	<input type="checkbox"/> Dry channel, no water (Ephemeral)

COMMENTS _____

SINUOSITY (Number of bends per 61 m (200 ft) of channel) (Check ONLY one box):

<input type="checkbox"/> None	<input type="checkbox"/> 1.0	<input type="checkbox"/> 2.0	<input type="checkbox"/> 3.0
<input type="checkbox"/> 0.5	<input type="checkbox"/> 1.5	<input type="checkbox"/> 2.5	<input type="checkbox"/> >3

STREAM GRADIENT ESTIMATE

Flat (0.5 ft/100 ft) Flat to Moderate Moderate (2 ft/100 ft) Moderate to Severe Severe (10 ft/100 ft)

ADDITIONAL STREAM INFORMATION (This Information Must Also be Completed):

QHEI PERFORMED? - Yes No QHEI Score (If Yes, Attach Completed QHEI Form)

DOWNSTREAM DESIGNATED USE(S)

WWH Name: Distance from Evaluated Stream
 CWH Name: Distance from Evaluated Stream
 EWH Name: Distance from Evaluated Stream

MAPPING: ATTACH COPIES OF MAPS, INCLUDING THE ENTIRE WATERSHED AREA. CLEARLY MARK THE SITE LOCATION

USGS Quadrangle Name: NRCS Soil Map Page: NRCS Soil Map Stream Order
County: **Wyandot** Township / City:

MISCELLANEOUS

Base Flow Conditions? (Y/N): Y Date of last precipitation: Quantity: **0.00**
Photograph Information:
Elevated Turbidity? (Y/N): Y Canopy (% open): **0%**
Were samples collected for water chemistry? (Y/N): Y (Note lab sample no. or id. and attach results) Lab Number:
Field Measures: Temp (°C) Dissolved Oxygen (mg/l) pH (S.U.) Conductivity (µmhos/cm)
Is the sampling reach representative of the stream (Y/N) Y If not, please explain:

Additional comments/description of pollution impacts:

BIOTIC EVALUATION

Performed? (Y/N): Y (If Yes, Record all observations. Voucher collections optional. NOTE: all voucher samples must be labeled with the site ID number. Include appropriate field data sheets from the Primary Headwater Habitat Assessment Manual)
Fish Observed? (Y/N) Y Voucher? (Y/N) Y Salamanders Observed? (Y/N) Y Voucher? (Y/N) Y
Frogs or Tadpoles Observed? (Y/N) Y Voucher? (Y/N) Y Aquatic Macroinvertebrates Observed? (Y/N) Y Voucher? (Y/N) Y
Comments Regarding Biology:

DRAWING AND NARRATIVE DESCRIPTION OF STREAM REACH (This must be completed):

Include important landmarks and other features of interest for site evaluation and a narrative description of the stream's location

FLOW 



Lake / Lacustrary (Lentic) QHEI Field Sheet



Environmental Protection Agency

QHEI Score:

RIVERCODE _____ RIVERMILE _____ WATERBODY _____ DISTANCE ASSESSED (m): _____
 DATE _____ LOCATION _____
 SCORER _____ LAT. _____ LONG. _____ COMMENT _____

1) SUBSTRATE (Check ONLY Two Substrate TYPE BOXES; Estimate % or note every type present);

LAKE: _____ LACUSTRARY: _____

TYPE		SHORE	BOTTOM	SHORE	BOTTOM	SUBSTRATE ORIGIN		SUBSTRATE QUALITY	
						Check ONE (or 2 & AVERAGE)		Check ONE (or 2 & AVERAGE)	
<input type="checkbox"/> BLDR/SLABS [7]				<input type="checkbox"/> HARDPAN [4]		<input type="checkbox"/> LIMESTONE [1]	SILT:	<input type="checkbox"/> SILT HEAVY [-2]	Substrate <div style="border: 1px solid black; width: 40px; height: 40px; margin: 0 auto;"></div> Max 20
<input type="checkbox"/> BOULDER [10]			<input type="checkbox"/> BEDROCK [3]		<input type="checkbox"/> TILLS [1]			<input type="checkbox"/> SILT MODERATE [-1]	
<input type="checkbox"/> COBBLE [8]			<input type="checkbox"/> DETRITUS [3]		<input type="checkbox"/> WETLANDS [1]	<input type="checkbox"/> SILT NORMAL [0]			
<input type="checkbox"/> GRAVEL [7]			<input type="checkbox"/> SILT [2]		<input type="checkbox"/> LACUSTRARINE [1]	<input type="checkbox"/> SILT FREE [1]			
<input type="checkbox"/> SAND [6]			<input type="checkbox"/> MUCK [2]		<input type="checkbox"/> SANDSTONE [1]	<input type="checkbox"/> CLAY [-2]			
NOTE: Ignore sludge that originates from point-sources, score on natural substrates						<input type="checkbox"/> RIPRAP [1]	SILT ORIGIN:	<input type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRIAL [-1]	
NUMBER OF SUBSTRATE TYPES <input type="checkbox"/> 5 or More [2] <input type="checkbox"/> 4 or Less [0]						<input type="checkbox"/> HARDPAN [0]		<input type="checkbox"/> ORGANIC [1]	
						<input type="checkbox"/> SHALE [-1]		<input type="checkbox"/> NONE [1]	
						<input type="checkbox"/> COAL/ORE [-2]			

COMMENTS: _____

2) COVER TYPES

TYPE: (Check All That Apply)

AMOUNT: (Check ONLY One or check 2 and AVERAGE)

<input type="checkbox"/> OFF-SHORE SAND BARS [4]	<input type="checkbox"/> DEEPWATER > 1 M [1]	<input type="checkbox"/> WETLAND POOLS [1]	Cover <div style="border: 1px solid black; width: 40px; height: 40px; margin: 0 auto;"></div> Max 20
<input type="checkbox"/> OVER-HANGING VEGETATION [1]	<input type="checkbox"/> ROOTWADS [1]	<input type="checkbox"/> SUBMERGED AQUATIC VEG. [4]	
<input type="checkbox"/> SHALLOWS (ON BEACH) [1]	<input type="checkbox"/> BOULDERS [1]	<input type="checkbox"/> LOGS OR WOODY DEBRIS [1]	
<input type="checkbox"/> ROOTMATS [1]	<input type="checkbox"/> SAND BEACH [1]	<input type="checkbox"/> GRAVEL BEACH [1]	
<input type="checkbox"/> EXTENSIVE > 75% [9] <input type="checkbox"/> MODERATE 25-75% [7] <input type="checkbox"/> SPARSE 5-25% [3] <input type="checkbox"/> NEARLY ABSENT < 5% [1]			

COMMENTS: _____

3) SHORELINE MORPHOLOGY (Check ONLY one PER category or check 2 and AVERAGE)

MODIFICATIONS OF SAMPLED SHORELINE

SHORE SINUOSITY	DEVELOPMENT	MODIFICATION	STABILITY		
<input type="checkbox"/> HIGH [2]	<input type="checkbox"/> EXCELLENT [6]	<input type="checkbox"/> NONE [7]	<input type="checkbox"/> HIGH [3]	<input type="checkbox"/> CEMENTED [-1]	<input type="checkbox"/> STEEL BULKHEADS [-2]
<input type="checkbox"/> MODERATE [4]	<input type="checkbox"/> GOOD [5]	<input type="checkbox"/> RECOVERED [3]	<input type="checkbox"/> MODERATE [2]	<input type="checkbox"/> RIP RAPPED [1]	<input type="checkbox"/> ISLANDS [1]
<input type="checkbox"/> LOW [3]	<input type="checkbox"/> FAIR [3]	<input type="checkbox"/> RECOVERING [3]	<input type="checkbox"/> LOW [1]	<input type="checkbox"/> RAILROAD TIES [-1]	<input type="checkbox"/> DIKES [-1]
<input type="checkbox"/> NONE [1]	<input type="checkbox"/> POOR [1]	<input type="checkbox"/> RECENT OR NO RECOVERY [1]		<input type="checkbox"/> DREDGED [-1]	<input type="checkbox"/> BANK SHAPING [-1]
SHORE to BOTTOM SLOPE MORPHOLOGIES <input type="checkbox"/> SLOPE < 15 deg. [0] <input type="checkbox"/> SLOPE > 45 deg. [2] <input type="checkbox"/> SLOPE < 25 deg. [1] <input type="checkbox"/> SLOPE 90 deg. [0] <input type="checkbox"/> SLOPE > 25 deg. [3]				AVERAGE DEPTH (of 5 measures) <input type="checkbox"/> < 50 cm [0] <input type="checkbox"/> > 400 - 500 cm [4] <input type="checkbox"/> 50 - < 100 cm [1] <input type="checkbox"/> > 500 - 900 cm [2] <input type="checkbox"/> ≥ 100 - 200 cm [2] <input type="checkbox"/> > 900 cm [1] <input type="checkbox"/> > 200 - 400 cm [3]	
COMMENTS: _____				Shore Line <div style="border: 1px solid black; width: 40px; height: 40px; margin: 0 auto;"></div> Max 20	

★ Shore Right Looking East or South on Lake ★

★ Shore Right Looking Toward Lake in Lacustrary ★

4) RIPARIAN ZONE AND BANK EROSION (Check ONE box PER bank or 2 and AVERAGE)

RIPARIAN WIDTH		SHORE LINE QUALITY (PAST 100 FOOT RIPARIAN)		BANK EROSION	
L	R (Per Bank)	L	R (Most Predominant Per Bank)	L	R (Per Bank)
<input type="checkbox"/> WIDE > 50 m [4]		<input type="checkbox"/> FOREST, WETLAND, LAKE [3]		<input type="checkbox"/> CONSERVATION TILLAGE [1]	<input type="checkbox"/> NONE/LITTLE [3]
<input type="checkbox"/> MODERATE 10-50 m [3]		<input type="checkbox"/> SH-RUB OR OLD FIELD [2]		<input type="checkbox"/> URBAN OR INDUSTRIAL [0]	<input type="checkbox"/> MODERATE [-1]
<input type="checkbox"/> NARROW 5-10 m [2]		<input type="checkbox"/> VINEYARD, ORCHARD [2]		<input type="checkbox"/> OPEN PASTURE, ROW CROP [0]	<input type="checkbox"/> HEAVY/SEVERE [-3]
<input type="checkbox"/> VERY NARROW < 5 m [1]		<input type="checkbox"/> FENCED PASTURE [1]		<input type="checkbox"/> MINING/CONSTRUCTION [0]	
<input type="checkbox"/> NONE [0]		<input type="checkbox"/> RESIDENTIAL PARK, NEW FIELD [1]		<input type="checkbox"/> DIKED WETLAND [0]	
COMMENTS: _____					

5) AQUATIC VEGETATION QUALITY: PLANT SPECIES OBSERVED (Sum All Scores)

(Score all for observed abundance: ABUNDANT = [3], COMMON = [5], FEW = [1], UNCOMMON = [0]) _____ NO AQUATIC VEGETATION = 0

<input type="checkbox"/> Pond Lilies (NYMPHAEA)	<input type="checkbox"/> Sedge (CYPERACEAE)	<input type="checkbox"/> Wild Celery (VALLISNERIA)	Vegetation <div style="border: 1px solid black; width: 40px; height: 40px; margin: 0 auto;"></div> Max 30
<input type="checkbox"/> Pond Weed (POTAMOGETON)	<input type="checkbox"/> Bulrush (SCIRPUS)	<input type="checkbox"/> Waterweed (ELODEA)	
(Score all for observed abundance: ABUNDANT = [-2], COMMON = [-1], FEW = [0])			
<input type="checkbox"/> Purple Loosestrife	<input type="checkbox"/> Reed Grass	<input type="checkbox"/> Eurasian Milfoil	<input type="checkbox"/> Cattails
<input type="checkbox"/> Algae (mats)	<input type="checkbox"/> Algae (planktonic)		
COMMENTS: _____			

Is the Sampling Reach Representative of Area Habitat? (Y/N) _____ If Not, Explain: _____

Depth measures: _____
Zebra Mussel/Quagga Mussel Coverage >60% 60->25% 25->10% <10->1% 1-0%

	Gear	Distance	Water Clarity	Wave Height		
First Sampling Pass:	_____	_____	_____	_____	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Second Sampling Pass:	_____	_____	_____	_____		
Third Sampling Pass:	_____	_____	_____	_____		

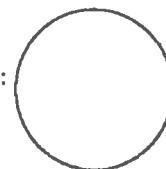
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Photos: _____

WATERBODY MEASUREMENTS AVERAGE WIDTH: _____ AVERAGE DEPTH: _____ Maximum Depth: _____

DRAWING OF SITE:

North Arrow:



Enter Site Name or ID Date:

PHWH STREAM BIOLOGICAL CHARACTERISTICS FIELD SHEET:

1. Fish: Voucher Specimens Retained? (select) Yes No Time Spent (minutes):
 Sample Method No Evaluation Stream Length Assessed (meters)

Species	Number Caught	Notes
Blank	0	
Blank	0	
Blank	0	
Blank	0	
	0	
	0	
	0	
	0	

2. Salamanders: Voucher Specimens Retained? (circle) N Time Spent (minutes):
 Sample Method No Evaluation Stream Length Assessed (meters)

Species (Genus)	# Larvae	# Juveniles/Adults	Total Number
Mountain Dusky (<i>Desmognathus ochrophaeus</i>)	0	0	0
Northern Dusky (<i>Desmognathus fuscus</i>)	0	0	0
Two-lined (<i>Eurycea bislineata</i>)	0	0	0
Long-tailed (<i>Eurycea longicauda</i>)	0	0	0
Cave (<i>Eurycea lucifuga</i>)	0	0	0
Red (<i>Pseudotriton ruber</i>)	0	0	0
Mud (<i>Pseudotriton montanus</i>)	0	0	0
Spring (<i>Gyrinophilus porphyriticus</i>)	0	0	0
Mole spp. (<i>Ambystoma spp.</i>)	0	0	0
Four-toed (<i>Hemidactylium scutatum</i>)	0	0	0
Other (name) <input type="text"/>	0	0	0
Total	0	0	0

Notes on Vertebrates:

3. Macroinvertebrate Scoring Sheet:

THE HEADWATER MACROINVERTEBRATE FIELD EVALUATION INDEX (HMFEI) SCORING SHEET

Indicate Abundance of Each Taxa Above each White Box.

Record HMFEI Scoring Value Points Within each Box.

For EPT taxa, also indicate the different taxa present.

Key: V = Very Abundant (> 50); A = Abundant (10 -50); C = Common (3 -9); R = Rare (< 3)

Sessile Animals (Porifera, Cnidaria, Bryozoa) (HMFEI pts = 1)	NA 0	Crayfish (Decapoda) (HMFEI pts = 2)	NA 0	Fishfly Larvae (Corydalidae) (HMFEI pts = 3)	NA 0
Aquatic Worms (Turbellaria, Hirudinea, Oligochaeta) (HMFEI pts = 1)	NA 0	Dragonfly Nymphs (Anisoptera) (HMFEI pts = 2)	NA 0	Water Penny Beetles (Psephenidae) (HMFEI pts = 3)	NA 0
Sow Bugs (Isopoda) (HMFEI pts = 1)	NA 0	Riffle Beetles (Dryopidae, Elmidae, Ptilodactylidae) (HMFEI pts = 2)	NA 0	Crane fly Larvae (Tipulidae) (HMFEI pts = 3)	NA 0
Scuds (Amphipoda) (HMFEI pts = 1)	NA 0	Larvae of other Flies (enter name in comments) (Diptera): (HMFEI pts = 1)	NA 0	EPT TAXA* Total No. EPT Taxa = 0	
Water Mites (Hydracarina) (HMFEI pts = 1)	NA 0	Midges (Chironomidae) (HMFEI pts = 1)	NA 0	Mayfly Nymphs (Ephemeroptera) Taxa Present: 0 HMFEI pts = NA No. Taxa (x) 3] 0	
Damselfly Nymphs (Zygoptera) (HMFEI pts = 1)	NA 0	Snails (Gastropoda) (HMFEI pts = 1)	NA 0	Stonefly Nymphs (Plecoptera) Taxa Present: 0 HMFEI pts = NA No. Taxa (x) 3] 0	
Alderfly Larvae (Sialidae) (HMFEI pts = 1)	NA 0	Clams (Bivalvia) (HMFEI pts = 1)	NA 0	Other Taxa : <input type="text"/>	
Other Beetles (Coleoptera) (HMFEI pts = 1)	NA 0	Other Taxa: <input type="text"/>		Other Taxa: <input type="text"/>	Caddisfly Larvae (Trichoptera) Taxa Present: 0 HMFEI pts = NA No. Taxa (x) 3] 0
Other Taxa: <input type="text"/>		Other Taxa: <input type="text"/>		Other Taxa: <input type="text"/>	

*Note: EPT identification based upon Family or Genus level of taxonomy

Voucher Sample ID Time Spent (minutes):

Notes on Macroinvertebrates: (Predominant Organisms; Other Common Organisms; Diversity Estimate)

<input type="text"/>
<input type="text"/>
<input type="text"/>

Final HMFEI Calculated Score (Sum of All White Box Scores) =

0

IF Final HMFEI Score is > 19, Then CLASS III PHWH STREAM
IF Final HMFEI Score is 7 to 19, Then CLASS II PHWH STREAM
IF Final HMFEI Score is < 7, Then CLASS I PHWH STREAM

NEORSD Surface Water Condition Sampling Field Data Form

Stream: _____ Date: _____ Collectors: _____

Gage Station and ID: _____ Daily Mean Discharge: _____ ft³/sec

Was this sample taken during or following a wet weather event? YES / NO

Water Quality Meters Used: _____

Time (hrs): _____ River Mile (Site): _____

Weather: Clear Partly Cloudy Overcast Light Rain/Showers Heavy Rain
Steady Rain Heavy Snow Melt Other: _____

Flow: Dry Intermittent Minimal Baseline/Normal Elevated Flood

HD Status: OK Other: _____

Color: Clear Muddy Tea Milky Other: _____

Odor: Normal Petroleum Anaerobic Sewage Chemical Other: _____

Surface Coating: None Foam Oily Scum Other: _____

Field Parameters: Conductivity (µmhos/cm): _____ Sp. Cond. (µmhos/cm): _____

Dissolved Oxygen (mg/L): _____ D.O. (%): _____

Temperature (°C): _____ pH (s.u.): _____

Turbidity 1 (NTU): _____ Turbidity 2 (NTU): _____ Average (NTU): _____

General Comments: _____

Time (hrs): _____ River Mile (Site): _____

Weather: Clear Partly Cloudy Overcast Light Rain/Showers Heavy Rain
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Temperature (°C): _____ pH (s.u.): _____

Turbidity 1 (NTU): _____ Turbidity 2 (NTU): _____ Average (NTU): _____

General Comments: _____

Sample ID: _____

Sample ID: _____

Appendix B

Parameter	Additional Name	Test	2014	2014
			Minimum Detection Limit	Practical Quantitation Limit
Alkalinity	Alkalinity	EPA 310.2	1.6 mg/L	5.0 mg/L
Mercury	Hg	EPA 245.1	0.006 µg/L	0.050 µg/L
Ammonia ¹	NH ₃	EPA 350.1	0.002 mg/L	0.020 mg/L
Nitrite	NO ₂	SM 4500 NO ₂ ⁻ B ²	0.001 mg/L	0.020 mg/L
Nitrite + Nitrate	NO ₂ + NO ₃	EPA 353.2	0.003 mg/L	0.020 mg/L
Total Kjeldahl Nitrogen	TKN	EPA 351.2	0.081 mg/L	0.500 mg/L
Dissolved Reactive Phosphorus	DRPhos	EPA 365.1	0.003 mg/L	0.010 mg/L
Total Phosphorus	Total-P	EPA 365.1	0.003 mg/L	0.010 mg/L
Chloride	Chloride by IC	EPA 300.0	1.00 mg/L	5.00 mg/L
Sulfate	Sulfate by IC	EPA 300.0	0.500 mg/L	5.00 mg/L
Silver	Ag	EPA 200.8	0.009 µg/L	0.500 µg/L
Aluminum	Al	EPA 200.8	0.504 µg/L	5.000 µg/L
Arsenic	As	EPA 200.8	0.320 µg/L	1.000 µg/L
Barium	Ba	EPA 200.8	0.033 µg/L	0.500 µg/L
Beryllium	Be	EPA 200.8	0.540 µg/L	0.500 µg/L
Calcium	Ca	EPA 200.8	16.90 µg/L	125.0 µg/L
Cadmium	Cd	EPA 200.8	0.034 µg/L	0.500 µg/L
Cobalt	Co	EPA 200.8	0.056 µg/L	0.500 µg/L
Chromium	Cr	EPA 200.8	0.049 µg/L	0.500 µg/L
Copper	Cu	EPA 200.8	0.073 µg/L	1.000 µg/L
Iron	Fe	EPA 200.8	0.495 µg/L	5.000 µg/L
Potassium	K	EPA 200.8	3.695 µg/L	125.0 µg/L
Magnesium	Mg	EPA 200.8	2.077 µg/L	125.0 µg/L
Manganese	Mn	EPA 200.8	0.057 µg/L	1.000 µg/L
Molybdenum	Mo	EPA 200.8	0.017 µg/L	0.500 µg/L
Sodium	Na	EPA 200.8	13.910 µg/L	125.0 µg/L
Nickel	Ni	EPA 200.8	0.066 µg/L	2.000 µg/L
Lead	Pb	EPA 200.8	0.058 µg/L	0.500 µg/L
Antimony	Sb	EPA 200.8	0.018 µg/L	0.500 µg/L
Selenium	Se	EPA 200.8	0.383 µg/L	2.500 µg/L
Tin	Sn	EPA 200.8	0.018 µg/L	0.500 µg/L
Strontium	Sr	EPA 200.8	0.049 µg/L	0.500 µg/L
Titanium	Ti	EPA 200.8	0.071 µg/L	1.000 µg/L
Thallium	Tl	EPA 200.8	0.007 µg/L	0.500 µg/L
Vanadium	V	EPA 200.8	0.238 µg/L	5.000 µg/L
Zinc	Zn	EPA 200.8	0.241 µg/L	5.000 µg/L
Total Metals	Total Metals (calc.)	EPA 200.8	µg/L =(Cr µg/L)+(Cu µg/L)+(Ni µg/L)+(Zn µg/L)	
Hardness	Hardness (calc.)	SM 2340 ²	CaCO ₃ mg/L =(2.497*Ca mg/L)+(4.118*Mg mg/L)	
<i>Escherichia coli</i>	<i>E. coli</i>	EPA 1603	1 colony	--
		Colilert QT (SM 9223 B 20th Ed)	1 MPN	1 MPN
Chlorophyll <i>a</i>	Chlorophyll <i>a</i>	EPA 445.0	0.03 µg/L	0.15 µg/L
Chemical Oxygen Demand	COD	EPA 410.4	0.49 mg/L	10 mg/L
Biological Oxygen Demand	BOD	SM 5210 ²	2 mg/L	--
Total Solids	TS	SM 2540 B ²	1.0 mg/L	5.0 mg/L
Total Suspended Solids	TSS	SM 2540 D ²	0.5 mg/L	1.0 mg/L
Total Dissolved Solids	TDS	SM 2540 C ²	1.0 mg/L	5.0 mg/L
Turbidity **		EPA 180.1	0.1 NTU	0.2 NTU
Field Parameter		Test	(Value Reported in)	
pH		EPA 150.1 ²	s.u.	
Conductivity		SM 2510A ²	µs/cm	
Specific Conductivity		SM 2510B ²	µs/cm	
Dissolved Oxygen	DO	SM 4500-O G ²	mg/L	
Temperature	Temp	EPA 1701.1 ²	°C	
Turbidity **		EPA 180.1	NTU	

¹ Listed MDL/PQL is for undistilled samples. Any samples that require distillation will have a MDL = 0.020 mg/L, PQL = 0.100 mg/L

² Standard Methods for the Examination of Water and Wastewater, Method approved by Standard Methods Committee, 1997. Editorial revisions, 2011.

** Turbidity will either be completed in the field or at the laboratory.

Appendix C



The 556 has multiple language capabilities and graphing!

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- **Optional Flow Cell** - The 5083 flow cell can be used for ground water applications or anytime water is pumped for sampling.
- **Carrying Case** – The instrument comes standard with YSI 5061, a soft-sided carrying case with enough space for the 556, a 20-meter cable, and calibrating supplies. An optional 5080 hard-sided carrying case is also available.
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5563 MPS Sensor Specifications

Dissolved Oxygen (% saturation)	Sensor Type Range Accuracy Resolution	Steady state polarographic 0 to 500% air saturation 0 to 200% air saturation, ± 2% of the reading or ±2% air saturation, whichever is greater; 200 to 500% air saturation, ± 6% of the reading 0.1% air saturation
Dissolved Oxygen (mg/L)	Sensor Type Range Accuracy Resolution	Steady state polarographic 0 to 50 mg/L 0 to 20 mg/L, ± 2% of the reading or ±0.2 mg/L, whichever is greater; 20 to 50 mg/L, ± 6% of the reading 0.01 mg/L
Temperature	Sensor Type Range Accuracy Resolution	YSI Temperature Precision™ thermistor -5 to 45°C ± 0.15°C 0.1°C
Conductivity	Sensor Type Range Accuracy Resolution	4-electrode cell with autoranging 0 to 200 mS/cm ± 0.5% of reading or ± 0.001 mS/cm; whichever is greater (4-meter cable) ± 1.0% of reading or ± 0.001 mS/cm; whichever is greater (20-meter cable) 0.001 mS/cm to 0.1 mS/cm (range-dependent)
Salinity	Sensor Type Range Accuracy Resolution	Calculated from conductivity and temperature 0 to 70 ppt ± 1.0% of reading or ±0.1 ppt, whichever is greater 0.01 ppt
pH (optional)	Sensor Type Range Accuracy Resolution	Glass combination electrode 0 to 14 units ±0.2 units 0.01 units
ORP (optional)	Sensor Type Range Accuracy Resolution	Platinum button -999 to +999 mV ± 20 mV 0.1 mV
Total Dissolved Solids (TDS)	Sensor Type Range Resolution	Calculated from conductivity (variable constant, default 0.65) 0 to 100 g/L 4 digits
Barometer (optional)	Range Accuracy Resolution	500 to 800 mm Hg ± 3 mm Hg within ± 10°C temperature range from calibration point 0.1 mm Hg

YSI 556 Instrument Specifications

Size	11.9 cm width x 22.9 cm length (4.7 in. x 9 in.)
Weight with batteries	2.1 lbs. (916 grams)
Power	4 alkaline C-cells; optional rechargeable pack
Cables	4-, 10-, and 20-m (13.1, 32.8, 65.6 ft.) lengths
Warranty	3-year instrument; 1-year probes and cables
Communication Port	RS-232 Serial
Data Logger	49,000 data sets, date and time stamp, manual or logging, with user-selectable intervals

556 Ordering Information (Order all items separately)

556-01	Instrument (with 5061 large, soft-sided carrying case)
556-02	Instrument with barometer option (with 5061 carrying case)
5563-4	4-m cable and DO/temp/conductivity
5563-10	10-m cable and DO/temp/conductivity
5563-20	20-m cable and DO/temp/conductivity
5564	pH Probe for any 5563 cable
5565	pH/ORP Probe for any 5563 cable
6118	Rechargeable battery pack kit (includes battery, adapter, charger)
614	Ultra clamp, C-clamp mount
616	Charger, cigarette lighter
4654	Tripod (small tripod for instrument)
5060	Small carrying case, soft-sided (fits instrument and 4-m cable)
5065	Form-fitted carrier with shoulder strap
5080	Small carrying case, hard-sided (fits instrument, 4-m cable, flow cell, batteries, membrane kit, calibration bottles)
5083	Flow cell
5085	Hands-free harness
5580	Confidence Solution® (insure probe accuracy with a simple field-check for conductivity, pH, and ORP)



The 5080 carrying case with 556, 5563-4 cable, and 5083 flow cell.



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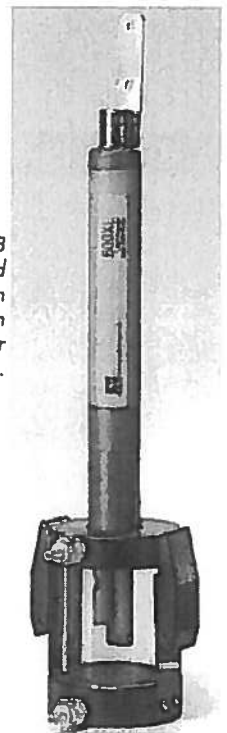
	Range	Resolution	Accuracy
Dissolved Oxygen % Saturation ETV 6562 Rapid Pulse™ Sensor*	0 to 500%	0.1%	0 to 200%: ±2% of reading or 2% air saturation, whichever is greater; 200 to 500%: ±6% of reading
Dissolved Oxygen mg/L ETV 6562 Rapid Pulse™ Sensor*	0 to 50 mg/L	0.01 mg/L	0 to 20 mg/L: ±0.2 mg/L or 2% of reading, whichever is greater; 20 to 50 mg/L: ±6% of reading
Conductivity* 6560 Sensor* ETV	0 to 100 mS/cm	0.001 to 0.1 mS/cm (range dependent)	±0.5% of reading + 0.001 mS/cm
Salinity	0 to 70 ppt	0.01 ppt	±1% of reading or 0.1 ppt, whichever is greater
Temperature 6560 Sensor* ETV	-5 to +50°C	0.01°C	±0.15°C
pH 6561 Sensor* ETV	0 to 14 units	0.01 unit	±0.2 unit
ORP	-999 to +999 mV	0.1 mV	±20 mV
Depth & Level Medium Shallow Vented Level	0 to 200 ft, 61 m	0.001 ft, 0.001 m	±0.4 ft, ±0.12 m
	0 to 30 ft, 9.1 m	0.001 ft, 0.001 m	±0.06 ft, ±0.02 m
	0 to 30 ft, 9.1 m	0.001 ft, 0.001 m	±0.01 ft, 0.003 m

* Report outputs of specific conductance (conductivity corrected to 25°C), resistivity, and total dissolved solids are
also provided. These values are automatically calculated from conductivity according to algorithms found in *Standard
Methods for the Examination of Water and Wastewater* (ed 1989).

YSI 600XL & 600XLM Sonde Specifications

Medium		Fresh, sea or polluted water
Temperature Operating		-5 to +50°C
	Storage	-10 to +60°C
Communications		RS-232, SDI-12
Software		EcoWatch*
Dimensions 600XL 600XLM	Diameter	1.65 in, 4.19 cm 1.65 in, 4.9 cm
	Length	16 in, 40.6 cm 21.3 in, 54.1 cm
	Weight	1.3 lbs, 0.59 kg 1.5 lbs, 0.69 kg
Power	External	12 V DC
	Internal (600XLM only)	4 AA-size alkaline batteries

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Specifications

Range	pH	0.00 to 14.00 pH
Range	EC	0 to 3999 $\mu\text{S}/\text{cm}$
Range	TDS	0 to 2000 ppm
Range	Temperature	0.0 to 60.0°C / 32 to 140.0°F
Resolution	pH	0.01 pH
Resolution	EC	1 $\mu\text{S}/\text{cm}$
Resolution	TDS	1 ppm
Resolution	Temperature	0.1°C / 0.1°F
Accuracy	pH	± 0.05 pH
Accuracy	EC/TDS	$\pm 2\%$ F.S.
Accuracy	Temperature	$\pm 0.5^\circ\text{C}$ / $\pm 1^\circ\text{F}$
Temperature Compensation		pH: automatic; EC/TDS: automatic with β adjustable from 0.0 to 2.4% / °C
Calibration	pH	automatic, 1 or 2 points with 2 sets of memorized buffers (pH 4.01 / 7.01 / 10.01 or 4.01 / 6.86 / 9.18)
Calibration	EC/TDS	automatic, 1 point
TDS Conversion Factor		adjustable from 0.45 to 1.00
pH Electrode		HI 73127 (replaceable; included)
Environment		0 to 50°C (32 to 122°F); RH max 100%
Battery Type / Life		4 x 1.5V / approx. 100 hours of continuous use; auto-off after 8 minutes of non-use
Dimensions		163 x 40 x 26 mm (6.4 x 1.6 x 1.0")
Weight		100 g (3.5 oz.)



HQ30d Portable pH, Conductivity, Dissolved Oxygen (DO), ORP, and ISE Multi-Parameter Meter



Product # HQ30D53000000 Quantity
 USD Price: \$700.00

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Portable meter measures critical water quality parameters - without the need for multiple instruments

Single input channel for flexible measurement of pH, Conductivity, Dissolved Oxygen (DO), BOD, ORP, Ammonia, Ammonium, Fluoride, Chloride, Sodium, and temperature - any IntelliCAL™ smart probe

Intuitive user interface for simple operation and accurate results

Guided calibration and check standard routines reduce calibration errors. Stabilization alerts and visual measurement lock ensure that you can trust the accuracy of the results

Trust your measurements - IntelliCAL™ smart probes store all calibrations in the probe. Calibration history allows quick and easy change out of probes without re-calibrating. The HQ30™ smart system records serial numbers, current calibration date, user ID, sample ID, time, and date automatically in the data log for complete GLP traceability

Designed for demanding conditions

Rugged, waterproof (IP67) meter provides worry-free, reliable operation in lab or field environments

Convenient kit includes everything you need to start testing

Meter kit includes 4 AA batteries, quick-start guide, user manual, and documentation CD

Specifications

AC and USB Operation	optional
Automatic Buffer Recognition	Color-coded: 4.01, 7.00, 10.01 pH IUPAC: 1.679, 4.005, 7.000, 10.012, 12.45 DIN: 1.99, 4.05, 9.323 User-defined custom buffer sets
Barometric Pressure Measurement	For automatic compensation of DO when using an LDO or LBOD probe
Battery Requirements	4 AA
Benchtop	with stand
BOD5/CBOD resolution	Available when used with Hach WMS BOD Manager software
Cable resistance correction	Digital, not needed
Calibration curves display	Calibration summary data logged and displayed
Calibration Intervals/Alerts/Reminder	2 hours to 7 days
Compliance	CE, WEEE
Conductivity Accuracy	± 0.5 % from (1 µS/cm - 200 mS/cm)
Conductivity measurement	5 different stability modes
Conductivity Measurement Range	0.01 µS/cm to 200 mS/cm
Conductivity resolution	0.01 µS/cm with 2 digits
Custom Calibration Standards	User-defined standard sets
Data Export	Download via USB connection to PC or flash stick Automatically transfer entire data log or as readings are taken
Data Memory	500 results
Digital (Intelligent) electrode inputs	2
Dimensions (H x W x D)	7.8 in x 3.7 in x 1.4 in (197 mm x 95 mm x 36 mm)
Display	Display readings from one or two probes Simultaneous readings from two probes (HQ40d only) pH, pH, mV, temperature Conductivity, Conductivity, TDS, salinity, resistivity, temperature LDO dissolved oxygen, pressure, temperature LBOD dissolved oxygen, pressure, temperature ORP/Redox, mV, temperature Sodium, Sodium, mV, temperature
Display Lock Function	Continuous measurement or press to read mode available with averaging function for LDO measurement
Display Type	240 x 160 pixel Display readings from one or two probes pH, pH, mV, temperature Conductivity, Conductivity, TDS, salinity, resistivity, temperature LDO dissolved oxygen, pressure, temperature ORP/Redox, mV, temperature Sodium, Sodium, mV, temperature
DO Measurement Range	0.01 to 20 mg/L (0 to 200%)
DO Resolution	0.01 mg/L
Fixed Buffer Selection	IUPAC standards (DIN 19266) or Technica buffer (DIN 19257) or 4, 7, 10 series or user defined
Inputs	M12 digital (1) for IntelliCAL probes
Interface Languages	13**
Internal Data Storage	500
IP Rating	IP67
Languages	English, French, German, Italian, Spanish, Danish, Dutch, Polish, Portuguese, Turkish, Swedish, Czech, Russian
mV Accuracy	± 0.1 mV
mV Measurement at Stable Reading	5 (auto) stabilization settings
mV Resolution	0.1 mV
Operating Error Messages	Text messages displayed
Operating Humidity	90 % relative humidity (non-condensing)
Operating Interface	Keypad
Operating Temperature	5 to 45 °C
ORP Electrode Calibration	Predefined ORP standards (including Zabolé & Millison)
Outputs	USB to PC / flash stick
PC Data Transfer Software	Included
pH Measurement at stable reading	5 stabilization settings
Printer	Optional accessory
Salinity Resolution	0.01 ppt
Warranty	3 years
Water Resistance	Meter Casing: 1 meter submersion for 30 minutes (IP67)
Weight	0.74 lbs (0.335 kg)

2100P and 2100P IS Portable Turbidimeter

Turbidimetry

Features and Benefits

Laboratory Quality in a Portable Unit

The Hach 2100P and 2100P IS Portable Turbidimeters offer a level of performance previously possible only with laboratory instruments. Microprocessor-controlled operation and Hach's unique Ratio™ optics bring great accuracy, sensitivity, and reliability to field and in-plant testing.

Two Models for Specific Requirements

- **2100P Turbidimeter**—Get fast, accurate turbidity testing in the field or the lab, over a wide range of samples. Compliant with USEPA Method 180.1 design criteria.
- **2100P IS Turbidimeter**—Designed to meet international standards that mandate measurement using an LED light source.

Two-detector Optical System

The two-detector optical system compensates for color in the sample, light fluctuation, and stray light, enabling analysts to achieve laboratory-grade performance on a wide range of samples, even under difficult, onsite conditions.



The Hach 2100P and 2100P IS Portable Turbidimeters bring laboratory-level performance on-site, offering fast, accurate results and the ease-of-use analysts demand in the field. With a measurement range of 0 to 1000 NTU and a resolution of 0.01 NTU, the 2100P turbidimeter is ideal for regulatory monitoring, process control or field studies.

Specifications*

	2100P	2100P IS
Measurement Method	Nephelometric Ratio	
Regulatory	Meets EPA Method 180.1	Meets EN ISO 7027
Light Source	Tungsten lamp	Light-emitting diode (LED) @ 860 nm
Range		
<i>Automatic Range Mode</i>	0 to 1000 NTU	0 to 1000 FNU
<i>Manual Range Selection</i>	0 to 9.99, 0 to 99.9 and 0 to 1000 NTU	0 to 9.99, 0 to 99.9 and 0 to 1000 FNU
Accuracy	±2% of reading plus stray light	
Repeatability	±1% of reading, or 0.01 NTU, whichever is greater	±1% of reading, or 0.01 FNU, whichever is greater
Resolution	0.01 on lowest range	
Signal Averaging	Selectable on/off	
Power Requirement	4 AA alkaline batteries or optional battery eliminator	
Battery Life, Typical	300 tests with signal average mode off 180 tests with signal average mode on	
Operating Temperature	0 to 50°C (32 to 122°F)	
Sample Required	15 mL (0.5 oz.)	
Sample Cells	60 x 25 mm (2.36 x 1 in.) borosilicate glass with screw caps	
Dimensions	22.2 x 9.5 x 7.9 cm (8.75 x 3.75 x 3.12 in.)	
Weight	0.5 kg (1.1 lb.); shipping weight 2.7 kg (6 lb.)	
Warranty	2 years	

*Specifications subject to change without notice.

DW = drinking water WW = wastewater municipal PW = pure water / power
IW = industrial water E = environmental C = collections FB = food and beverage



Be Right™



2100Q and 2100Q is Portable Turbidimeter



The Hach 2100Q and 2100Q is Portable Turbidimeters offer unsurpassed ease of use and accuracy in turbidity measurement. Only Hach offers this unique combination of advanced features, such as assisted calibration and simplified data transfer, and measurement innovation, giving you accurate results every time.

Features and Benefits

Easy Calibration and Verification

Hach 2100Q and 2100Q is Portable Turbidimeters provide confidence your measurements are right every time. On-screen assisted calibration and verification save you time and ensure accuracy. With an easy-to-follow interface, complicated manuals are not needed to perform routine calibrations. Single-standard RapidCal™ calibration offers a simplified solution for low level measurements.

Simple Data Transfer

Data transfer with the optional USB + Power Module is simple, flexible, and doesn't require additional software. All data can be transferred to the module and easily downloaded to your computer with a USB connection, providing superior data integrity and availability. With two different module options, you can customize connectivity and power to meet your unique needs.

Accurate for Rapidly Settling Samples

The Hach 2100Q Portable Turbidimeter incorporates an innovative Rapidly Settling Turbidity™ mode to provide accurate, repeatable measurements for difficult to measure, rapidly settling samples. An exclusive algorithm that

calculates turbidity based on a series of automatic readings eliminates redundant measurements and estimating.

Convenient Data Logging

Up to 500 measurements are automatically stored in the instrument for easy access and backup. Stored information includes: date and time, operator ID, reading mode, sample ID, sample number, units, calibration time, calibration status, error messages and the result.

Optical System for Precision in the Field

The two-detector optical system compensates for color in the sample, light fluctuation, and stray light, enabling analysts to achieve laboratory-grade performance on a wide range of samples, even under difficult site conditions.

Two Models for Specific Requirements

- 2100Q Turbidimeter—Compliant with USEPA Method 180.1 design criteria.
- 2100Q is Turbidimeter—Compliant with ISO 7027 design criteria.

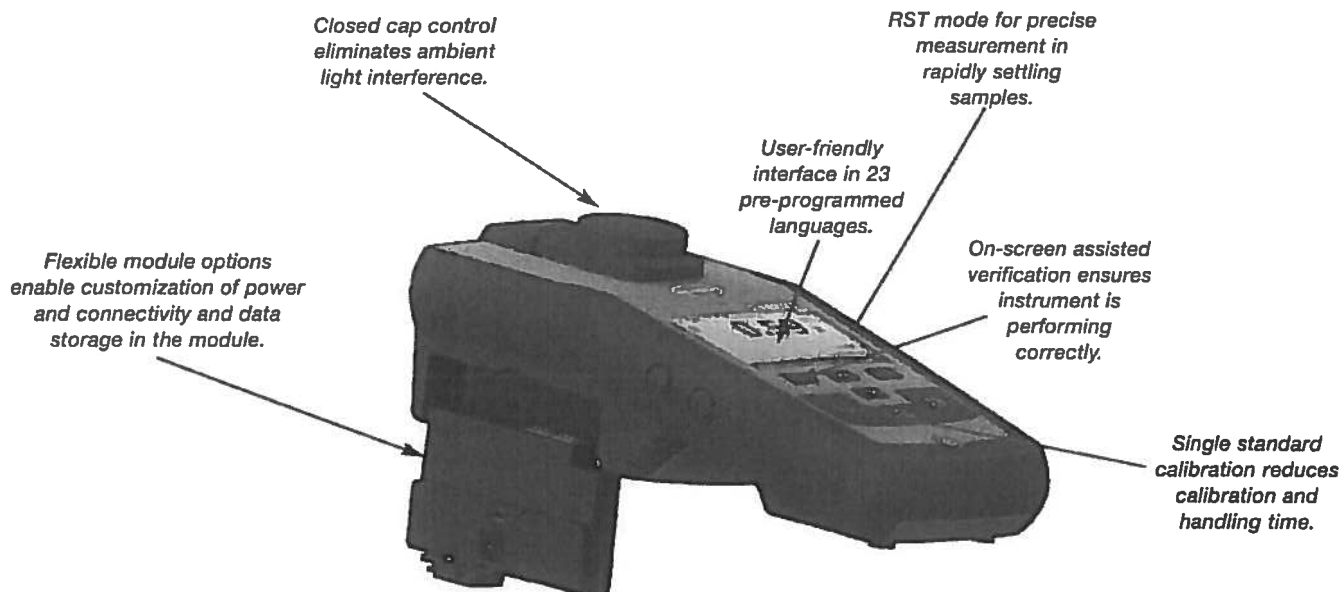
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Be Right™



Key Features



Specifications*

Measurement Method

Ratio turbidimetric determination using a primary nephelometric light scatter signal (90°) to the transmitted light scatter signal.

Regulatory

2100Q: Meets EPA Method 180.1
2100Q is: Meets ISO 7027

Light Source

2100Q: Tungsten filament lamp
2100Q is: Light-emitting diode (LED) @ 860 nm

Range

0 to 1000 NTU (FNU)

Accuracy

±2% of reading plus stray light from 0 to 1000 NTU

Repeatability

±1% of reading, or 0.01 NTU (FNU), whichever is greater

Resolution

0.01 NTU on lowest range

Stray Light

<0.02 NTU (FNU)

Signal Averaging

Selectable on/off

Detector

Silicon photovoltaic

Reading Modes (user selectable)

Normal (Push to Read)
Signal Averaging
Rapidly Settling Turbidity

Data Logger

500 records

Power Requirement

110-230 Vac, 50/60 Hz (with Power or USB+Power Module)
4 AA alkaline batteries
Rechargeable NiMH (for use with USB+Power Module)

Operating Conditions

Temperature: 0 to 50°C (32 to 122°F)
Relative Humidity: 0 to 90% @ 30°C,
0 to 80% @ 40°C, 0 to 70% @ 50°C, noncondensing

Storage Conditions

-40 to 60°C (-40 to 140°F), instrument only

Languages

English, French, German, Italian, Spanish, Portuguese (BR), Portuguese (PT), Bulgarian, Chinese, Czech, Danish, Dutch, Finnish, Greek, Hungarian, Japanese, Korean, Polish, Romanian, Russian, Slovenian, Swedish, Turkish

Interface

Optional USB

Instrument Enclosure Rating

IP67 (closed lid, battery compartment excluded)

Protection Class

Power Supply: Class II

Certification

CE certified

Sample Required

15 mL (0.3 oz.)

Sample Cells

60 x 25 mm (2.36 x 1 in.) borosilicate glass with screw cap

Dimensions

22.9 x 10.7 x 7.7 cm (9.0 x 4.2 x 3.0 in.)

Weight

527 g (1.16 lb) without batteries
618 g (1.36 lb) with four AA alkaline batteries

Warranty

1 year

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Appendix D

NEORSD Chlorophyll *a* Sampling Field Sheet

Stream: _____
 Location: _____
 RM: _____
 Lat/Long: _____

Collectors: _____
 Date: _____
 Time: _____

Number of Rocks: _____

Total Area Scraped: _____ cm²

Diameter of individual scrape

- 1 _____
- 2 _____
- 3 _____
- 4 _____
- 5 _____
- 6 _____
- 7 _____
- 8 _____
- 9 _____
- 10 _____
- 11 _____
- 12 _____
- 13 _____
- 14 _____
- 15 _____
- 16 _____
- 17 _____
- 18 _____
- 19 _____
- 20 _____
- 21 _____
- 22 _____
- 23 _____
- 24 _____
- 25 _____

Area of individual scrape

- 1 _____
- 2 _____
- 3 _____
- 4 _____
- 5 _____
- 6 _____
- 7 _____
- 8 _____
- 9 _____
- 10 _____
- 11 _____
- 12 _____
- 13 _____
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- 15 _____
- 16 _____
- 17 _____
- 18 _____
- 19 _____
- 20 _____
- 21 _____
- 22 _____
- 23 _____
- 24 _____
- 25 _____

Total: _____

Diameter to Area Conversion	
Diameter (cm)	Area (cm ²)
1.6	2.011
1.7	2.27
1.8	2.545
1.9	2.835
2.0	3.142
2.1	3.464
2.2	3.801
2.3	4.155

Total Sample Volume _____ ml

Filter 1 LABLynx ID _____
 Vol _____ ml

Filter 2 LABLynx ID _____
 Vol _____ ml

Filter 3 LABLynx ID _____
 Vol _____ ml

Water Column Chlorophyll Sample	
Filter 1 LABLynx ID _____	Vol _____ ml
Filter 2 LABLynx ID _____	Vol _____ ml
Filter 3 LABLynx ID _____	Vol _____ ml

Flow: None Low Normal Elevated High

Turbidity: Clear Low Moderate* High*

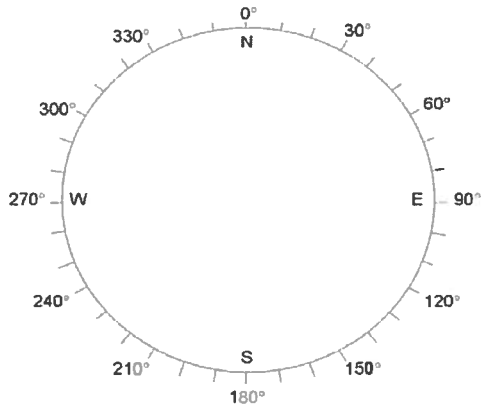
*Explain _____

Sky: Overcast Cloudy Partly Cloudy Mostly Clear Clear

Canopy: Open Mostly Open Partly Closed Closed

Riparian None Narrow L R Moderate L R Wide L R

Downstream Channel Direction



Clinometer

Left Bank _____°
 Right Bank _____°

Left Bank _____°
 Right Bank _____°

Left Bank _____°
 Right Bank _____°

Stream Widths
 _____ m _____ m _____ m

Record two most predominate substrates with an X, and check all present.

	Riffle	Run	Reach
Boulder/Slabs	_____	_____	_____
Bedrock	_____	_____	_____
Boulder/Slabs	_____	_____	_____
Cobble	_____	_____	_____
Gravel	_____	_____	_____
Sand	_____	_____	_____
Silt	_____	_____	_____
Hardpan	_____	_____	_____
Detritus	_____	_____	_____
Artificial	_____	_____	_____

Substrate Origin

Limestone Tills Rip-rap
 Sandstone Shale Wetlands
 Lacustrine Hardpan Coal Fines

Silt

Heavy Moderate Normal None

Embeddedness

Extensive Moderate Normal None

Notes: _____

Length of Reach: _____ m

Stream Drawing

Appendix E

COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA

DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION

BUREAU OF LABORATORIES

LABORATORY ACCREDITATION PROGRAM



pennsylvania

DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL
PROTECTION

Northwest Ohio Regional Sewer District Analytical Services
4747 East 49th Street, Cuyahoga Heights, OH 44125

68-03670

Certifies That

Having duly met the requirement of

The act of June 29, 2002 (P.L. 596, No. 90)

dealing with Environmental Laboratories Accreditation

(27 Pa. C.S. §§4104-4113) and the

National Environmental Laboratory Accreditation Program Standard

is hereby approved as an

Accredited Laboratory

As more fully described in the attached Scope of Accreditation

Expiration Date: 11/30/2015

Certificate Number: 008



A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Aren Alger'.

Aren S. Alger, Chief

Laboratory Accreditation Program
Bureau of Laboratories

Continued accreditation status depends on successful ongoing participation in the program

Certificate not transferable. Surrender upon revocation

To be conspicuously displayed at the Laboratory

Not valid unless accompanied by a valid Scope of Accreditation

Shall not be used to imply endorsement by the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania

Customers are urged to verify the laboratory's current accreditation status

PA DEP is a NELAP® recognized accreditation body

Laboratory Scope of Accreditation

Attached to Certificate of Accreditation 008-001 expiration date November 30, 2015. This listing of accredited analytes should be used only when associated with a valid certificate of accreditation.

DEP Laboratory ID: 68-03670

EPA Lab Code: OH00300

TNI Code:

(216) 641-6000

Northeast Ohio Regional Sewer District Analytical Services

4747 East 49th Street

Cuyahoga Heights, OH 44125

Matrix: Non-Potable Water

Method	Revision	Analyte	Accreditation Type	Primary	Effective Date
ASTM D4839-03		Total organic carbon (TOC)	NELAP	PA	11/25/2014
EPA 1000.0		Pimephales promelas	NELAP	PA	1/8/2009
EPA 1002.0		Ceriodaphnia dubia	NELAP	PA	1/8/2009
EPA 160.4		Residue, volatile	NELAP	PA	10/22/2008
EPA 1600		Enterococci	NELAP	PA	11/22/2010
EPA 1603		E. coli (Enumeration)	NELAP	PA	11/29/2007
EPA 1631	E	Mercury	NELAP	PA	3/31/2008
EPA 180.1		Turbidity	NELAP	PA	12/31/2007
EPA 200.7	4.4	Aluminum	NELAP	PA	11/29/2007
EPA 200.7	4.4	Antimony	NELAP	PA	11/29/2007
EPA 200.7	4.4	Arsenic	NELAP	PA	11/29/2007
EPA 200.7	4.4	Barium	NELAP	PA	11/29/2007
EPA 200.7	4.4	Beryllium	NELAP	PA	11/29/2007
EPA 200.7	4.4	Cadmium	NELAP	PA	11/29/2007
EPA 200.7	4.4	Calcium	NELAP	PA	11/29/2007
EPA 200.7	4.4	Chromium	NELAP	PA	11/29/2007
EPA 200.7	4.4	Cobalt	NELAP	PA	11/29/2007
EPA 200.7	4.4	Copper	NELAP	PA	12/31/2007
EPA 200.7	4.4	Iron	NELAP	PA	11/29/2007
EPA 200.7	4.4	Lead	NELAP	PA	11/29/2007
EPA 200.7	4.4	Magnesium	NELAP	PA	11/17/2010
EPA 200.7	4.4	Manganese	NELAP	PA	11/29/2007
EPA 200.7	4.4	Molybdenum	NELAP	PA	11/29/2007
EPA 200.7	4.4	Nickel	NELAP	PA	11/29/2007
EPA 200.7	4.4	Potassium	NELAP	PA	12/31/2007
EPA 200.7	4.4	Selenium	NELAP	PA	11/29/2007
EPA 200.7	4.4	Silver	NELAP	PA	11/29/2007
EPA 200.7	4.4	Sodium	NELAP	PA	12/31/2007
EPA 200.7	4.4	Thallium	NELAP	PA	4/15/2014
EPA 200.7	4.4	Tin	NELAP	PA	11/29/2007
EPA 200.7	4.4	Titanium	NELAP	PA	11/29/2007
EPA 200.7	4.4	Vanadium	NELAP	PA	11/29/2007
EPA 200.7	4.4	Zinc	NELAP	PA	12/31/2007
EPA 245.1	3.0	Mercury	NELAP	PA	11/29/2007
EPA 300.0	2.1	Bromide	NELAP	PA	11/22/2010
EPA 300.0	2.1	Chloride	NELAP	PA	11/22/2010
EPA 300.0	2.1	Fluoride	NELAP	PA	11/22/2010
EPA 300.0	2.1	Nitrate as N	NELAP	PA	11/22/2010
EPA 300.0	2.1	Orthophosphate as P	NELAP	PA	11/22/2010
EPA 300.0	2.1	Sulfate	NELAP	PA	11/22/2010



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DEP Laboratory ID: 68-03670

EPA Lab Code: OH00300

TNI Code:

(216) 641-6000

Matrix: Non-Potable Water

Method	Revision	Analyte	Accreditation Type	Primary	Effective Date
EPA 3005	A	Preconcentration under acid	NELAP	PA	11/29/2007
EPA 3010	A	Hot plate acid digestion (HNO ₃ + HCl)	NELAP	PA	11/29/2007
EPA 3015		Microwave-assisted acid digestion	NELAP	PA	11/29/2007
EPA 310.2		Alkalinity as CaCO ₃	NELAP	PA	9/20/2012
EPA 350.1		Ammonia as N	NELAP	PA	11/29/2007
EPA 351.2		Kjeldahl nitrogen, total (TKN)	NELAP	PA	11/17/2010
EPA 353.2		Nitrate as N	NELAP	PA	11/29/2007
EPA 353.2		Total nitrate-nitrite	NELAP	PA	11/17/2010
EPA 365.1		Phosphorus, total	NELAP	PA	10/22/2008
EPA 410.4		Chemical oxygen demand (COD)	NELAP	PA	11/29/2007
EPA 420.4		Total phenolics	NELAP	PA	11/17/2010
EPA 445		Chlorophyll A	NELAP	PA	11/22/2010
EPA 6010		Aluminum	NELAP	PA	11/29/2007
EPA 6010		Antimony	NELAP	PA	11/29/2007
EPA 6010		Arsenic	NELAP	PA	11/29/2007
EPA 6010		Barium	NELAP	PA	11/29/2007
EPA 6010		Beryllium	NELAP	PA	11/29/2007
EPA 6010		Cadmium	NELAP	PA	11/29/2007
EPA 6010		Calcium	NELAP	PA	11/29/2007
EPA 6010		Chromium	NELAP	PA	11/29/2007
EPA 6010		Cobalt	NELAP	PA	11/29/2007
EPA 6010		Copper	NELAP	PA	12/31/2007
EPA 6010		Iron	NELAP	PA	11/29/2007
EPA 6010		Lead	NELAP	PA	11/29/2007
EPA 6010		Magnesium	NELAP	PA	11/29/2007
EPA 6010		Manganese	NELAP	PA	11/29/2007
EPA 6010		Molybdenum	NELAP	PA	11/29/2007
EPA 6010		Nickel	NELAP	PA	11/29/2007
EPA 6010		Potassium	NELAP	PA	12/31/2007
EPA 6010		Selenium	NELAP	PA	11/29/2007
EPA 6010		Silver	NELAP	PA	11/29/2007
EPA 6010		Sodium	NELAP	PA	12/31/2007
EPA 6010		Thallium	NELAP	PA	4/15/2014
EPA 6010		Tin	NELAP	PA	11/29/2007
EPA 6010		Titanium	NELAP	PA	11/29/2007
EPA 6010		Vanadium	NELAP	PA	11/29/2007
EPA 6010		Zinc	NELAP	PA	12/31/2007
EPA 7470		Mercury	NELAP	PA	11/29/2007
Enterolert		Enterococci (Enumeration)	NELAP	PA	11/22/2010
OIA 1677		Available cyanide	NELAP	PA	11/29/2007
SM 2540 B		Residue, total	NELAP	PA	11/29/2007
SM 2540 C		Residue, filterable (TDS)	NELAP	PA	11/29/2007
SM 2540 D		Residue, nonfilterable (TSS)	NELAP	PA	11/29/2007
SM 2540 F		Residue, settleable	NELAP	PA	11/29/2007
SM 2550 B		Temperature, deg C	NELAP	PA	10/22/2008
SM 3500-Cr B	20-22	Chromium VI	NELAP	PA	11/29/2007
SM 4500-CN- C/E		Total cyanide	NELAP	PA	11/29/2007



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EPA Lab Code: OH00300

TNI Code:

(216) 641-6000

Matrix: Non-Potable Water

Method	Revision	Analyte	Accreditation Type	Primary	Effective Date
SM 4500-CN- G		Amenable cyanide	NELAP	PA	11/29/2007
SM 4500-Cl E		Total residual chlorine	NELAP	PA	11/29/2007
SM 4500-Cl- C		Chloride	NELAP	PA	11/19/2012
SM 4500-H+ B		pH	NELAP	PA	11/29/2007
SM 4500-NO2- B		Nitrite as N	NELAP	PA	11/29/2007
SM 4500-Norg B		Kjeldahl nitrogen, total (TKN)	NELAP	PA	10/22/2008
SM 4500-P B		Preliminary treatment of phosphate samples	NELAP	PA	11/13/2013
SM 4500-P E		Orthophosphate as P	NELAP	PA	11/13/2013
SM 5210 B		Biochemical oxygen demand (BOD)	NELAP	PA	11/29/2007
SM 5210 B		Carbonaceous BOD (CBOD)	NELAP	PA	11/29/2007
SM 9222 D		Fecal coliform (Enumeration)	NELAP	PA	11/29/2007
SM 9223 Colilert MPN or QT		E. coli (Enumeration)	NELAP	PA	11/29/2007
SM 9223 Colilert MPN or QT		Total coliform (Enumeration)	NELAP	PA	11/22/2010

Matrix: Solid and Chemical Materials

Method	Revision	Analyte	Accreditation Type	Primary	Effective Date
EPA 245.1	3.0	Mercury	NELAP	PA	11/22/2010
EPA 3051		Microwave digestion of solids (HNO3 only)	NELAP	PA	11/17/2010
EPA 6010		Aluminum	NELAP	PA	11/22/2010
EPA 6010		Antimony	NELAP	PA	11/13/2013
EPA 6010		Arsenic	NELAP	PA	11/22/2010
EPA 6010		Barium	NELAP	PA	11/22/2010
EPA 6010		Beryllium	NELAP	PA	11/22/2010
EPA 6010		Cadmium	NELAP	PA	11/22/2010
EPA 6010		Calcium	NELAP	PA	11/22/2010
EPA 6010		Chromium	NELAP	PA	11/22/2010
EPA 6010		Cobalt	NELAP	PA	11/22/2010
EPA 6010		Copper	NELAP	PA	11/22/2010
EPA 6010		Iron	NELAP	PA	11/22/2010
EPA 6010		Lead	NELAP	PA	11/22/2010
EPA 6010		Magnesium	NELAP	PA	11/22/2010
EPA 6010		Manganese	NELAP	PA	11/22/2010
EPA 6010	B	Metals by ICP/AES	NELAP	PA	1/22/2013
EPA 6010		Molybdenum	NELAP	PA	11/22/2010
EPA 6010		Nickel	NELAP	PA	11/22/2010
EPA 6010		Potassium	NELAP	PA	11/22/2010
EPA 6010		Selenium	NELAP	PA	11/22/2010
EPA 6010		Silver	NELAP	PA	11/22/2010
EPA 6010		Sodium	NELAP	PA	11/22/2010
EPA 6010		Thallium	NELAP	PA	11/22/2010
EPA 6010		Tin	NELAP	PA	4/15/2013
EPA 6010		Titanium	NELAP	PA	11/22/2010
EPA 6010		Vanadium	NELAP	PA	11/22/2010
EPA 6010		Zinc	NELAP	PA	11/22/2010



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Laboratory Scope of Accreditation

Attached to Certificate of Accreditation 008-001 expiration date November 30, 2015. This listing of accredited analytes should be used only when associated with a valid certificate of accreditation.

DEP Laboratory ID: 68-03670

EPA Lab Code: OH00300

TNI Code:

(216) 641-6000



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Appendix F



February 4, 2015

Mr. John Rhoades
Supervisor of Environmental Assessment
Northeast Ohio Regional Sewer District
4747 East 49th Street
Cuyahoga Heights, Ohio 44125

Dear Mr. Rhoades:

This letter is to acknowledge that I am responsible for assisting the Northeast Ohio Regional Sewer District's Water Quality and Industrial Surveillance Division in conducting stream habitat assessments using the Qualitative Habitat Evaluation Index for the 2015 Big Creek, Cuyahoga River, Euclid Creek, Hemlock Creek, Mill Creek, and West Creek Environmental Monitoring Project Study Plans.

It is understood that an Ohio Environmental Protection Agency Level 3 Qualified Data Collector Certification for Stream Habitat Assessment is required to perform these tasks and that I am responsible for maintaining my Level 3 QDC Certification during the term of these Study Plans.

In addition, I have not been convicted nor pleaded guilty to a Violation of Section 2911.21 of the Revised Code (criminal trespass) or a substantially similar municipal ordinance within the previous five years.

Sincerely,

Jonathan Brauer
Stormwater Inspector
Northeast Ohio Regional Sewer District
4747 East 49th Street
Cuyahoga Heights, Ohio 44125



April 14, 2015

Mr. John Rhoades
Manager of Water Quality and Industrial Surveillance
Northeast Ohio Regional Sewer District
4747 East 49th Street
Cuyahoga Heights, Ohio 44125

Re: 2015 Benthic Services
PO 15001329

Dear Mr. Rhoades:

This letter is to acknowledge that I am responsible for the identification of benthic macroinvertebrates for the following Northeast Ohio Regional Sewer District Study Plans:

- 2015 Big Creek Environmental Monitoring
- 2015 Cuyahoga River Environmental Monitoring
- 2015 Euclid Creek Environmental Monitoring
- 2015 Hemlock Creek Environmental Monitoring
- 2015 Mill Creek Environmental Monitoring
- 2015 West Creek Environmental Monitoring

It is understood that an Ohio Environmental Protection Agency Level 3 Qualified Data Collector Certification for Benthic Macroinvertebrate, with the specialty of identification, is required to perform these tasks and that I am responsible for maintaining my Level 3 QDC Certification during the term of these Study Plans.

In addition, I have not been convicted nor pleaded guilty to a Violation of section 2911.21 of the Revised Code (criminal trespass) or a substantially similar municipal ordinance within the previous five years.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads 'Bert Remley'.

Bert Remley
Senior Taxonomist
Bremley@thirdrockconsultants.com

Appendix G

Will send Wildlife
Permit upon
Receipt

Appendix H

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