Waterbody Inventory for Grass River Watershed

Water Index Number	Waterbody Segment	Category	
Lower/Middle Grass River Watershed			
SL-2 (portion 1)	Grass River, Lower, and tribs (0904-0009)	Impaired Seg	
SL-2 (portion 2)	Grass River, Middle, and tribs (0904-0008)	Need Verific	
SL-2 (portion 3)	Grass River, Middle, and tribs (0904-0015)	UnAssessed	
Little River Watershed			
SL- 2-22	Little River, Lower, and minor tribs (0904-0018)	UnAssessed	
SL- 2-22	Little River, Upper, and tribs (0904-0019)	MinorImpacts	
SL- 2-22- 1	Tracy Brook and tribs (0904-0020)	UnAssessed	
SL- 2-22- 2	Grannis Brook and tribs (0904-0021)	NoKnownImpct	
Upper Grass River Watershed			
SL- 2 (portion 4)	Grass River, Upper, and minor tribs (0904-0016)	UnAssessed	
SL- 2 (portion 5)	Grass River, Upper, and minor tribs (0904-0017)	UnAssessed	
SL- 2-25	Harrison Creek and minor tribs (0904-0022)	UnAssessed	
SL- 2-25- 2	Elm Creek and tribs (0904-0023)	NoKnownImpct	
SL- 2-25- 2-22-P290	Cedar Lake (0904-0024)	UnAssessed	
SL- 2-25- 3	Tanner Creek and tribs (0904-0025)	MinorImpacts	
SL- 2-25- 3-12-P291	Huckleberry Lake (0904-0026)	UnAssessed	
SL- 2-25- 3-12-P292	Moon Lake (0904-0027)	UnAssessed	
SL- 2-25- 3-18-P293	Trout Lake (0904-0028)	UnAssessed	
Plumb Brook Watershed			
SL- 2-45	Plumb Brook and tribs (0904-0029)	NoKnownImpct	
SL- 2-45-11- 3-P295	Worden Pond (0904-0030)	UnAssessed	
SL- 2-45-15-P296	Sweet Pond (0904-0031)	UnAssessed	
SL- 2-45-17-P299,P300	Orebed Ponds (0904-0032)	UnAssessed	
SL- 2-45P301,P302,P303	Long Pond, Greenfield Pond, Round Pond (0904-0033)	UnAssessed	
North Branch Grass River Watershed			
SL- 2-48	North Branch Grass River, Low, and tribs (0904-0034)	Need Verific	
SL- 2-48	North Branch Grass River, Upp, and tribs (0904-0035)	UnAssessed	
SL- 2-48- 4- 1-P306	Clear Lake (0904-0036)	NoKnownImpct	
SL- 2-48- 5-P308	Mud Pond (0904-0037)	UnAssessed	
SL- 2-48- 5-P308- 1-P309	Horseshoe Pond (0904-0038)	UnAssessed	
SL- 2-48- 9-P314	Cranberry Pond (0904-0039)	NoKnownImpct	
SL- 2-48-10-P315,P317	Twin Pond, L Pond (0904-0040)	NoKnownImpct	
SL- 2-48-19-P320a	Ormsbee Pond (0904-0041)	NoKnownImpct	
SL- 2-48-20-P321	Long Pond (0904-0042)	NoKnownImpct	

UnAssessed

Church Pond (0904-0043)

SL- 2-48-22-P323

...Grass River Watershed

Water Index Number	Waterbody Segment	Category	
Upper Grass River Watershed (above North Branch)			
SL- 2-57-P329	Boyd Pond (0904-0044)	NoKnownImpct	
Middle Branch Grass River Watershed			
SL- 2-58	Middle Branch Grass River and tribs (0904-0045)	NoKnownImpct	
SL- 2-58- 9-P331	Parameter Pond (0904-0046)	UnAssessed	
SL- 2-58-12-P332	Tracy Pond (0904-0047)	NoKnownImpct	
SL- 2-58-14- 2-P335	Blue Pond (0904-0048)	NoKnownImpct	
SL- 2-58-15-P336,P337	Little Blue Pond, Clear Pond (0904-0049)	NoKnownImpct	
SL- 2-58-16-P341	Pleasant Lake (0904-0050)	NoKnownImpct	
South Branch Grass River Watershed			
SL- 2-59	South Branch Grass River, Low, and tribs (0904-0051)	NoKnownImpct	
SL- 2-59	South Branch Grass River, Mid, and tribs (0904-0052)	NoKnownImpct	
SL- 2-59	South Branch Grass River, Upp, and tribs (0904-0053)	UnAssessed	
SL- 2-59-13-P342,P343	Mile Pond, Allen Pond (0904-0054)	UnAssessed	
SL- 2-59-18- 1-P343a	Pine Marsh Pond (0904-0055)	UnAssessed	
SL- 2-59-18-P344,P345	Little Moosehead Pond, Moosehead Pond (0904-0056)	NoKnownImpct	
SL- 2-59-24-P347	Cook Pond (0904-0057)	UnAssessed	
SL- 2-59-27-P348,P249,P350	Brother Ponds (Massawepie Pond) (0904-0058)	UnAssessed	
SL- 2-59-31-P351	Silver Lake (0904-0059)	NoKnownImpct	
SL- 2-59-32- 1-P352	Sampson Pond (0904-0060)	UnAssessed	
SL- 2-59-32- 2-P355	Sevey Pond (0904-0061)	UnAssessed	
SL- 2-59-32P359,P361,P362	Len Pond, Wolf Pond, Beaver Pond (0904-0002)	Impaired Seg	
SL- 2-59-34-P364	Balsam Pond (0904-0062)	UnAssessed	
SL- 2-59-36-P366	Grass River Flow (0904-0063)	NoKnownImpct	
SL- 2-59-37-P367	Jocks Pond (0904-0064)	UnAssessed	
SL- 2-59-39-P368	Pine Pond (0904-0065)	NoKnownImpct	
SL- 2-59-39-P369	Massawepie Lake (0904-0066)	NoKnownImpct	
SL- 2-59-39-P369- 2-P370	Catamount Pond (0904-0067)	NoKnownImpct	
SL- 2-59-39-P369P371 thru P374	Townline, Deer, Horseshoe, Boottree Pds (0904-0068)	UnAssessed	
SL- 2-59-40-P375	Burntbridge Pond (0904-0069)	NoKnownImpct	
SL- 2-59-46-P376	Center Pond (0904-0070)	UnAssessed	

Grass River, Lower, and tribs (0904-0009)

Impaired Seg

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Waterbody Location Information

Water Index No: SL-2 (portion 1) Drain Basin: Saint Lawrence River

Hydro Unit Code: 04150304/090 **Str Class:** B Grass River

Waterbody Type: River Reg/County: 6/St.Lawrence Co. (45)

Waterbody Size: 29.9 Miles Quad Map: RAQUETTE RIVER (B-21-2)

Seg Description: stream and tribs, from mouth to Massena

Water Quality Problem/Issue Information

(CAPS indicate MAJOR Use Impacts/Pollutants/Sources)

Use(s) Impacted Severity Problem Documentation

FISH CONSUMPTION Precluded Known

Type of Pollutant(s)

Known: PRIORITY ORGANICS (PCBs)

Suspected: --Possible: ---

Source(s) of Pollutant(s)

Known: TOX/CONTAM. SEDIMENT (PCBs), Industrial (ALCOA)

Suspected: --Possible: ---

Resolution/Management Information

Issue Resolvability: 3 (Strategy Being Implemented)

Verification Status: 5 (Management Strategy has been Developed)

Lead Agency/Office: DER/Reg6 Resolution Potential: Medium

TMDL/303d Status: 2b (Multiple Segment/Categorical Water, Fish Consumption)

Further Details

Overview

Fish consumption in this portion of the Grass River is impaired by priority organics (PCBs) in river sediments attributed to past discharges and continuing runoff from industrial waste sites.

Fish Consumption

Fish consumption in this portion of the Grass River is impaired due to a NYSDOH health advisory that recommends eating no fish of any species. The fish consumption advisory, which apply from the mouth to the Massena Power Canal, are a result of PCB contamination. Advisories for the Grass River were first issued prior to 1998-99. (2008-09 NYSDOH Health Advisories and DEC/DFWMR, Habitat, December 2008)

Industrial and Hazardous Waste Sites

The lower six miles of the river is significantly affected by activity at a number of industrial facilities in the area. The most prominent of these is ALCOA in Massena. More than a dozen separate hazardous waste sites have been identified on ALCOA's 3500 acre facility. Landfills, disposal sites, storm water runoff and waste water discharges from the ALCOA facility have resulted in PCB and other priority pollutant contamination of soils, groundwater, river sediments, fish and wildlife in and along the Lower Grass and St. Lawrence Rivers. In fact a 1,000 acre portion of the Grass River itself has been

designated a Class 2 Hazardous Waste Site. Remediation of these contaminant sources are in various stages of completion. (DEC/DER, Environmental Site Remediation Database, December 2008)

Saint Lawrence/Massena Remedial Action Plan

The St. Lawrence River at Massena Remedial Action Plan (RAP) Area of Concern (AoC) begins above the power dam facilities and seaway locks at the Massena Village drinking water intake and follows the river downstream for about fifteen miles to the international border. For New York State, the AoC includes portions of the Grass, Raquette and St. Regis Rivers. There are three governmental agency groupings that share jurisdictional responsibilities for the AoC. These are the United States, Canada, and the St. Regis Mohawk Tribe at Akwesasne.

Pollution from past local area industrial production and waste disposal practices created contaminated sediments and hazardous waste sites that to a large degree are being or have been remediated. The sources and causes include PCBs, mercury, DDE, Mirex, nutrients, metals and physical disturbance. Large area remedial projects at Alcoa and General Motors sites have contributed significantly to the restoration and protection of beneficial uses in the AoC. After the Grass River and limited land-based remedial measures are completed, a reassessment of the status of the beneficial use indicators is to be conducted. When including the installation of water and air pollution discharge equipment, the total costs of the Massena area cleanup will likely exceed one billion dollars.

Water Quality Sampling

A biological (macroinvertebrate) assessment of the Grass River in Massena Center was conducted in 1997. Multiplate sampling results indicated slightly impacted water quality conditions. Similar slight impacts were noted in sampling in 1977, 83, 86, and 91, however minor improvement appears to have occurred, indicated by a reduction in the percentage of tolerant worms in the sample. (DEC/DOW, BWAM/SBU, 2004)

The St. Regis Mohawk Nation has conducted several studies documenting PCBs in fish tissue around these facility discharges (S.Martin, memo to Phil Waite, March 1998).

Segment Description

This segment includes the portion of the stream and all tribs from the mouth to the Massena Power Canal in Massena. The waters of this portion of the stream are Class B. Tribs to this reach/segment are Class C. Other portions of the Grass River are listed separately.

Grass River, Middle, and tribs (0904-0008)

Need Verific

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Waterbody Location Information

Water Index No: SL-2 (portion 2) Drain Basin: Saint Lawrence River

Hydro Unit Code: 04150304/080 **Str Class:** B Grass River

Waterbody Type:RiverReg/County:6/St.Lawrence Co. (45)Waterbody Size:94.9 MilesQuad Map:MASSENA (B-21-1)

Seg Description: stream and tribs, from Massena to Madrid

Water Quality Problem/Issue Information

(CAPS indicate MAJOR Use Impacts/Pollutants/Sources)

Use(s) Impacted Severity Problem Documentation

Aquatic Life Stressed Possible Recreation Stressed Possible

Type of Pollutant(s)

Known: ---

Suspected: NUTRIENTS Possible: Silt/Sediment

Source(s) of Pollutant(s)

Known: ---

Suspected: AGRICULTURE

Possible: Municipal (Canton WWTP), On-Site/Septic Syst, Streambank Erosion

Resolution/Management Information

Issue Resolvability: 1 (Needs Verification/Study (see STATUS))Verification Status: 1 (Waterbody Nominated, Problem Not Verified)

Lead Agency/Office: DOW/BWAM Resolution Potential: Medium

TMDL/303d Status: n/a

Further Details

Overview

Aquatic life support and recreational uses in this portion of the Grass River may experience minor impacts. Possible sources are nutrient and sediment loads from heavy agricultural activity and other nonpoint sources in the watershed.

Water Quality Sampling

A biological (macroinvertebrate) assessment of the Grass River in Massena Center, just below this reach, was conducted in 1997. Multiplate sampling results indicated slightly impacted water quality conditions. Similar slight impacts were noted in sampling in 1977, 83, 86, and 91, however minor improvement appears to have occurred, indicated by a reduction in the percentage of tolerant worms in the sample. Samples collected in 1992 just above Massena (at Route 37) and in Louisville (at Route 39) revealed non-impacted conditions. (DEC/DOW, BWAM/SBU, 2004)

Source Assessment

The Grass River drains a majority of St. Lawrence County's extensive dairy operations. Agricultural runoff from these farms often flows directly into the river. Cows wading in the river is also a common site. Failing and/or inadequate on-site septic systems, and the municipal WWTP in Canton (v) have also been suggested as possible contributors to water quality problems.

(St. Lawrence County WQCC, 1995)

Segment Description

This segment includes the portion of the stream and all tribs from the Massena Power Canal in Massena to the dam in Madrid. The waters of this portion of the stream are Class B. Tribs to this reach/segment are Class C. Other portions of the Grass River are listed separately.

Little River, Upper, and tribs (0904-0019)

MinorImpacts

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Waterbody Location Information

Water Index No: SL- 2-22 Drain Basin: Saint Lawrence River

Hydro Unit Code: 04150304/060 **Str Class:** AA Grass River

Waterbody Type:RiverReg/County:6/St.Lawrence Co. (45)Waterbody Size:57.8 MilesQuad Map:CANTON (C-20-4)

Seg Description: stream and tribs, above North Russell

Water Quality Problem/Issue Information

(CAPS indicate MAJOR Use Impacts/Pollutants/Sources)

Use(s) Impacted Severity Problem Documentation

Aquatic Life Stressed Suspected

Type of Pollutant(s)

Known: ---

Suspected: NUTRIENTS, Silt/Sediment

Possible: ---

Source(s) of Pollutant(s)

Known: ---

Suspected: AGRICULTURE, Urban/Storm Runoff

Possible: ---

Resolution/Management Information

Issue Resolvability: 1 (Needs Verification/Study (see STATUS))Verification Status: 4 (Source Identified, Strategy Needed)

Lead Agency/Office: ext/WQCC Resolution Potential: Medium

TMDL/303d Status: n/a

Further Details

Overview

Aquatic life support in this portion of the Little River is thought to experience minor impacts due to nutrient and silt/sediment loadings from agricultural and other nonpoint sources.

Water Quality Sampling

NYSDEC Rotating Intensive Basin Studies (RIBS) Intensive Network monitoring of Little River in Canton, Saint Lawrence County, (at Pike Road) was conducted in 2005. Intensive Network sampling typically includes macroinvertebrate community analysis, water column chemistry, sediment and invertebrate tissues analysis and toxicity evaluation. During this sampling the biological (macroinvertebrate) sampling results indicated slightly impacted water quality conditions. The Nutrient Biotic Index indicated eutrophic conditions for phosphorus and nitrogen. Results of Impact Source Determination were inconclusive in identifying sources of water quality impact. The community was dominated by many facultative riffle beetles and non-biting midges as well as some clean-water mayflies. Macroinvertebrates collected at this site and chemically analyzed for selected metals, PAHs, PCBs, and organochlorine pesticides show an elevated level of both chromium and titanium. The source of these substances chromium is likely to be anthropogenic, but it has not been identified. Sediments were not found to contain any contaminants at levels of concern and, based on sediment quality guidelines developed for freshwater ecosystems, overall sediment quality is not likely to cause chronic toxicity to sediment-dwelling organisms. Chronic toxicity

testing using water from this location showed no significant mortality or reproductive effects on the test organism. Based on the consensus of these established assessment methods, overall water quality at this site shows that in spite of some concerns that should continue to be monitored (eutrophication, chromium), aquatic life is considered to be fully supported in the stream. (DEC/DOW, BWAM/RIBS, January 2009)

A biological (macroinvertebrate) assessment of the Little River, at Canton (at) was also conducted in 2004 during the RIBS Biological Screening effort in the basin. The sample was assessed as slightly impacted. The macroinvertebrate community was dominated by the riffle beetle *Promoresia elegans*. The nutrient biotic index indicated highly eutrophic conditions. Results of impact source determination were inconclusive. (DEC/DOW, BWAM/SBU, December 2008)

Segment Description

This segment includes the portion of the stream and all tribs above Deer Lick Brook (-16) near North Russell. The waters of this portion of the stream are Class AA. Tribs to this reach/segment, including Van Rensselaer Creek (-19), are Class AA,AA(T). Lower Little River are listed separately.

Grannis Brook and tribs (0904-0021)

NoKnownImpct

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Waterbody Location Information

Water Index No: SL-2-22-2 Drain Basin: Saint Lawrence River

Hydro Unit Code: 04150304/060 **Str Class:** C Grass River

Waterbody Type:RiverReg/County:6/St.Lawrence Co. (45)Waterbody Size:79.5 MilesQuad Map:CANTON (C-20-4)

Seg Description: entire stream and tribs

Water Quality Problem/Issue Information

(CAPS indicate MAJOR Use Impacts/Pollutants/Sources)

Use(s) Impacted Severity Problem Documentation

NO USE IMPAIRMNT

Type of Pollutant(s)

Known: --Suspected: --Possible: ---

Source(s) of Pollutant(s)

Known: --Suspected: --Possible: ---

Resolution/Management Information

Issue Resolvability: 8 (No Known Use Impairment)

Verification Status: (Not Applicable for Selected RESOLVABILITY)

Lead Agency/Office: n/a Resolution Potential: n/a

TMDL/303d Status: n/a

Further Details

Water Quality Sampling

A biological (macroinvertebrate) assessment of Grannis Brook at Crary Mills (at Church Road) was conducted in 2004 during the RIBS Biological Screening effort in the basin. Sampling results indicated non-impacted water quality conditions. The macroinvertebrate community contained many clean water mayflies, caddisflies, and stoneflies. The nutrient biotic index did indicate mesotrophic conditions for both phosphorus and nitrate. The sample was dominated by the facultative riffle beetle *Stenelmis crenata* which is common in slightly enriched environments. Impact source determination suggested a natural community. In spite of these minor impacts, aquatic life is considered to be fully supported in the stream. (DEC/DOW, BWAM/SBU, November 2008)

Segment Description

This segment includes the entire stream and all tribs. The waters of the stream are Class C,C(T). Tribs to this reach/segment, including Boyden Brook (-2) and Leonard Brook (-6), are Class C,C(T),C(TS).

Elm Creek and tribs (0904-0023)

NoKnownImpct

Revised: 02/13/2009

Waterbody Location Information

Water Index No: SL-2-25-2 Drain Basin: Saint Lawrence River

Hydro Unit Code: 04150304/050 **Str Class:** C(T) Grass River

Waterbody Type:RiverReg/County:6/St.Lawrence Co. (45)Waterbody Size:133.0 MilesQuad Map:HERMON (D-20-1)

Seg Description: entire stream and tribs

Water Quality Problem/Issue Information

(CAPS indicate MAJOR Use Impacts/Pollutants/Sources)

Use(s) Impacted Severity Problem Documentation

NO USE IMPAIRMNT

Type of Pollutant(s)

Known: --Suspected: --Possible: ---

Source(s) of Pollutant(s)

Known: --Suspected: --Possible: ---

Resolution/Management Information

Issue Resolvability: 8 (No Known Use Impairment)

Verification Status: (Not Applicable for Selected RESOLVABILITY)

Lead Agency/Office: n/a Resolution Potential: n/a

TMDL/303d Status: n/a

Further Details

Water Quality Sampling

NYSDEC Rotating Intensive Basin Studies (RIBS) Intensive Network monitoring of Elm Creek in Hermon, Saint Lawrence County, (at Jefferson Road) was conducted in 2005. Intensive Network sampling typically includes macroinvertebrate community analysis, water column chemistry, sediment and invertebrate tissues analysis and toxicity evaluation. During this sampling the biological (macroinvertebrate) sampling results indicated non-impacted water quality conditions. Impact Source Determination indicated natural conditions. Water column sampling revealed no parameters of concern. Macroinvertebrates collected at this site and chemically analyzed for selected PAHs, PCBs, and organochlorine pesticides found elevated levels of pesticides (DDT and DDD). Sediment screening for acute toxicity indicated some toxicity may be present, however, sediments were not found to contain any contaminants at levels of concern and, based on sediment quality guidelines developed for freshwater ecosystems, overall sediment quality is not likely to cause chronic toxicity to sediment-dwelling organisms. Chronic toxicity testing using water from this location showed no significant mortality or reproductive effects on the test organism. Based on the consensus of these established assessment methods, overall water quality at this site indicates that in spite of some concerns that should continue to be monitored (pesticides), aquatic life and recreational uses are fully supported in the stream. (DEC/DOW, BWAM/RIBS, January 2009)

A biological (macroinvertebrate) assessment of Elm Creek at Hermon (at Jefferson Street) was conducted in 2004 during the

RIBS Biological Screening effort in the basin. Sampling results indicated non-impacted water quality conditions. The nutrient biotic index indicated mesotrophic conditions due to phosphorus and eutrophic conditions due to nitrate. The macroinvertebrate community was dominated by facultative riffle beetles and filter feeding caddisflies, likely a result of the slightly enriched conditions. The good quality riffle habitat at this site was ideal for colonization of clean water macroinvertebrate taxa. Impact source determination suggested a natural community with some nutrient enrichment. In spite of these minor impacts, aquatic life is considered to be fully supported in the stream.

Segment Description

This segment includes the entire stream and all tribs. The waters of the stream are Class C,C(T). Tribs to this reach/segment, including Cancross Creek (-18), Cedar Lake Stream (-22) and Mill Brook (-25), are Class C,C(T) and D.

Tanner Creek and tribs (0904-0025)

MinorImpacts

Revised: 01/05/2009

Waterbody Location Information

Water Index No: SL-2-25-3 Drain Basin: Saint Lawrence River

Hydro Unit Code: 04150304/050 **Str Class:** C Grass River

Waterbody Type:RiverReg/County:6/St.Lawrence Co. (45)Waterbody Size:117.3 MilesQuad Map:HERMON (D-20-1)

Seg Description: entire stream and tribs

Water Quality Problem/Issue Information

(CAPS indicate MAJOR Use Impacts/Pollutants/Sources)

Use(s) Impacted Severity Problem Documentation

Aquatic Life Stressed Known

Type of Pollutant(s)

Known: NUTRIENTS (phosphorus)

Suspected: --Possible: ---

Source(s) of Pollutant(s)

Known: ---

Suspected: AGRICULTURE, Urban/Storm Runoff

Possible: ---

Resolution/Management Information

Issue Resolvability: 1 (Needs Verification/Study (see STATUS))Verification Status: 4 (Source Identified, Strategy Needed)

Lead Agency/Office: ext/WQCC Resolution Potential: Medium

TMDL/303d Status: n/a

Further Details

Overview

Aquatic life support in Tanner creek are known to experience minor impacts due to elevated nutrient loadings from agricultural and other nonpoint sources.

Water Quality Sampling

A biological (macroinvertebrate) assessment of Tanner Creek at Hermon (at Pooler Road) was conducted in 2004 during the RIBS Biological Screening effort in the basin. Sampling results indicated slightly impacted water quality conditions. The macroinvertebrate fauna was dominated by filter feeding caddisflies and non-biting midges. The nutrient biotic index suggested eutrophic conditions for phosphorus and mesotrophic conditions for nitrate. Impact Source Determination supported this result and identified non-point source nutrient enrichment as the dominant stressor. The macroinvertebrate fauna was dominated by facultative filter feeding caddisflies in the family Hydropsychidae. In spite of these minor impacts, aquatic life is considered to be fully supported in the stream. (DEC/DOW, BWAM/SBU, December 2008)

Segment Description

This segment includes the entire stream and all tribs. The waters of the stream are Class C. Tribs to this reach/segment, including Carter Creek (-12), Brandy Brook (-16) and Trout Lake Outlet (-18), are also Class C.

Plumb Brook and tribs (0904-0029)

NoKnownImpct

Revised: 01/15/2009

Waterbody Location Information

Water Index No: SL- 2-45 Drain Basin: Saint Lawrence River

Hydro Unit Code: 04150304/040 **Str Class:** C(T) Grass River

Waterbody Type:RiverReg/County:6/St.Lawrence Co. (45)Waterbody Size:115.4 MilesQuad Map:HERMON (D-20-1)

Seg Description: entire stream and tribs

Water Quality Problem/Issue Information

(CAPS indicate MAJOR Use Impacts/Pollutants/Sources)

Use(s) Impacted Severity Problem Documentation

NO USE IMPAIRMNT

Type of Pollutant(s)

Known: --Suspected: --Possible: ---

Source(s) of Pollutant(s)

Known: --Suspected: --Possible: ---

Resolution/Management Information

Issue Resolvability: 8 (No Known Use Impairment)

Verification Status: (Not Applicable for Selected RESOLVABILITY)

Lead Agency/Office: n/a Resolution Potential: n/a

TMDL/303d Status: n/a

Further Details

Water Quality Sampling

A biological (macroinvertebrate) assessment of Plumb Brook, South of Russell (at Blanchard Hill Rd.) was conducted in 2004 during the RIBS Biological Screening effort in the basin. The sample was collected, retained, subsampled and sorted to major groups of organisms but detailed identification was not performed. The sample was field assessed as meeting screening criteria and water quality was evaluated to be very good. The sorted sample was dominated by mayflies, caddisflies and midges. (DEC/DOW, BWAM/SBU, December 2008)

Segment Description

This segment includes the entire stream and all tribs. The waters of the stream are Class C(T). Tribs to this reach/segment, including Orebed Creek (-17), are Class C,C(T),C(TS) and D.

North Branch Grass River, Low, and tribs (0904-0034)

Need Verific

Revised: 01/16/2009

Waterbody Location Information

Water Index No: SL- 2-48 Drain Basin: Saint Lawrence River

Hydro Unit Code: 04150304/030 **Str Class:** C(T) Grass River

Waterbody Type: River Reg/County: 6/St.Lawrence Co. (45)

Waterbody Size: 57.4 Miles Quad Map: WEST PIERREPONT (D-20-2)

Seg Description: stream and tribs, from mouth to nr Gleasons Mills

Water Quality Problem/Issue Information

(CAPS indicate MAJOR Use Impacts/Pollutants/Sources)

Use(s) Impacted Severity Problem Documentation

Aquatic Life Stressed Possible

Type of Pollutant(s)

Known: --Suspected: ---

Possible: OTHER POLLUTANTS

Source(s) of Pollutant(s)

Known: --Suspected: ---

Possible: UNKNOWN SOURCE

Resolution/Management Information

Issue Resolvability: 1 (Needs Verification/Study (see STATUS))Verification Status: 1 (Waterbody Nominated, Problem Not Verified)

Lead Agency/Office: DOW/BWAM Resolution Potential: Medium

TMDL/303d Status: n/a

Further Details

Overview

Aquatic life support in this portion of the North Branch Grass River may experience impacts. Sampling is inconclusive and possible sources of impact have not been identified.

Water Quality Sampling

A biological (macroinvertebrate) assessment of the North Branch Grass River at Brouses Corners (at CR 27) was conducted in 2004 during the RIBS Biological Screening effort in the basin. The sample was collected using a net jab due to soft bottom sediments and absence of riffle habitat. Sampling results indicated poor water quality conditions. Mayflies, stoneflies, caddisflies, and beetles were absent, and the sample contained an abundance of pollution tolerant midges and worms. However, due to the less than suitable sampling habitat, additional sampling to verify conditions are recommended. (DEC/DOW, BWAM/SBU, December 2008)

Segment Description

This segment includes the portion of the stream and all tribs from the mouth to/including Gulf Creek (-8) near Gleasons Mills. The waters of this portion of the stream are Class C(T). Tribs to this reach/segment, including Bucks Brook (-4) and Gulf Creek (-8), are Class C,C(T),C(TS). Upper North Branch is listed separately.

Clear Lake (0904-0036)

NoKnownImpct

Revised: 01/23/2009

Waterbody Location Information

Water Index No: SL- 2-48- 4- 1-P306 Drain Basin: Saint Lawrence River

Hydro Unit Code: 04150304/030 **Str Class:** C(T) Grass River

Waterbody Type: Lake Reg/County: 6/St.Lawrence Co. (45)

Waterbody Size: 28.7 Acres Quad Map: WEST PIERREPONT (D-20-2)

Seg Description: entire lake

Water Quality Problem/Issue Information

(CAPS indicate MAJOR Use Impacts/Pollutants/Sources)

Use(s) Impacted Severity Problem Documentation

NO USE IMPAIRMNT

Type of Pollutant(s)

Known: --Suspected: --Possible: ---

Source(s) of Pollutant(s)

Known: --Suspected: --Possible: ---

Resolution/Management Information

Issue Resolvability: 8 (No Known Use Impairment)

Verification Status: (Not Applicable for Selected RESOLVABILITY)

Lead Agency/Office: n/a Resolution Potential: n/a

TMDL/303d Status: n/a

Further Details

Water Quality Sampling

Monitoring of Clear Lake was included in the Adirondack Lake Survey Corporation (ALSC) lake monitoring and assessment effort conducted in the mid-1980s (1984-86). Generally these were one-time samples analyzed for variety of parameters, including total phosphorus, pH and water color. These data revealed no indication of impacts to aquatic life support or recreational at the time. Because the data is limited to single samples and collected more than 20 years ago, this assessment is considered to be evaluated, rather than monitored. (DEC, DOW, BWAM/WQAS, January 2009 and ALSC, 1984-86)

Cranberry Pond (0904-0039)

NoKnownImpct

Revised: 01/23/2009

Waterbody Location Information

Water Index No: SL- 2-48- 9-P314

Hydro Unit Code: 04150304/030 Str Class: C

Waterbody Type:LakeReg/County:6/St.Lawrence Co. (45)Waterbody Size:7.1 AcresQuad Map:ALBERT MARSH (D-21-1)

Seg Description: entire lake

Water Quality Problem/Issue Information

(CAPS indicate MAJOR Use Impacts/Pollutants/Sources)

Drain Basin: Saint Lawrence River

Grass River

Use(s) Impacted Severity Problem Documentation

NO USE IMPAIRMNT

Type of Pollutant(s)

Known: --Suspected: --Possible: ---

Source(s) of Pollutant(s)

Known: --Suspected: --Possible: ---

Resolution/Management Information

Issue Resolvability: 8 (No Known Use Impairment)

Verification Status: (Not Applicable for Selected RESOLVABILITY)

Lead Agency/Office: n/a Resolution Potential: n/a

TMDL/303d Status: n/a

Further Details

Water Quality Sampling

Monitoring of Cranberry Pond was included in the Adirondack Lake Survey Corporation (ALSC) lake monitoring and assessment effort conducted in the mid-1980s (1984-86). Generally these were one-time samples analyzed for variety of parameters, including total phosphorus, pH and water color. These data revealed no indication of impacts to aquatic life support or recreational at the time. Because the data is limited to single samples and collected more than 20 years ago, this assessment is considered to be evaluated, rather than monitored. (DEC, DOW, BWAM/WQAS, January 2009 and ALSC, 1984-86)

Twin Pond, L Pond (0904-0040)

NoKnownImpct

Revised: 01/23/2009

Waterbody Location Information

Water Index No: SL- 2-48-10-P315,P317

Hydro Unit Code: 04150304/030 **Str Class:** C

Waterbody Type: Lake
Waterbody Size: 35.6 Acres

Seg Description: total area of both lakes

Drain Basin: Saint Lawrence River

Grass River

Reg/County: 6/St.Lawrence Co. (45) **Quad Map:** ALBERT MARSH (D-21-1)

Water Quality Problem/Issue Information

(CAPS indicate MAJOR Use Impacts/Pollutants/Sources)

Use(s) Impacted Severity Problem Documentation

NO USE IMPAIRMNT

Type of Pollutant(s)

Known: --Suspected: --Possible: ---

Source(s) of Pollutant(s)

Known: --Suspected: --Possible: ---

Resolution/Management Information

Issue Resolvability: 8 (No Known Use Impairment)

Verification Status: (Not Applicable for Selected RESOLVABILITY)

Lead Agency/Office: n/a Resolution Potential: n/a

TMDL/303d Status: n/a

Further Details

Water Quality Sampling

Monitoring of Twin and L Ponds was included in the Adirondack Lake Survey Corporation (ALSC) lake monitoring and assessment effort conducted in the mid-1980s (1984-86). Generally these were one-time samples analyzed for variety of parameters, including total phosphorus, pH and water color. These data revealed no indication of impacts to aquatic life support or recreational at the time. Because the data is limited to single samples and collected more than 20 years ago, this assessment is considered to be evaluated, rather than monitored. (DEC, DOW, BWAM/WQAS, January 2009 and ALSC, 1984-86)

Ormsbee Pond (0904-0041)

NoKnownImpct

Revised: 01/23/2009

Waterbody Location Information

Water Index No: SL- 2-48-19-P320a

Hydro Unit Code: 04150304/030 **Str Class:** 0

Waterbody Type: Lake Reg/County: 6/St.Lawrence Co. (45)
Waterbody Size: 21.1 Acres Quad Map: STARK (D-21-2)

Seg Description: entire lake

Water Quality Problem/Issue Information

(CAPS indicate MAJOR Use Impacts/Pollutants/Sources)

Drain Basin: Saint Lawrence River

Grass River

Use(s) Impacted Severity Problem Documentation

NO USE IMPAIRMNT

Type of Pollutant(s)

Known: --Suspected: --Possible: ---

Source(s) of Pollutant(s)

Known: --Suspected: --Possible: ---

Resolution/Management Information

Issue Resolvability: 8 (No Known Use Impairment)

Verification Status: (Not Applicable for Selected RESOLVABILITY)

Lead Agency/Office: n/a Resolution Potential: n/a

TMDL/303d Status: n/a

Further Details

Water Quality Sampling

Monitoring of Ormsbee Pond was included in the Adirondack Lake Survey Corporation (ALSC) lake monitoring and assessment effort conducted in the mid-1980s (1984-86). Generally these were one-time samples analyzed for variety of parameters, including total phosphorus, pH and water color. These data revealed no indication of impacts to aquatic life support or recreational at the time. Because the data is limited to single samples and collected more than 20 years ago, this assessment is considered to be evaluated, rather than monitored. (DEC, DOW, BWAM/WQAS, January 2009 and ALSC, 1984-86)

Long Pond (0904-0042)

NoKnownImpct

Revised: 01/23/2009

Waterbody Location Information

Water Index No: SL- 2-48-20-P321 Drain Basin: Saint Lawrence River

Hydro Unit Code: 04150304/030 **Str Class:** C(T) Grass River

Waterbody Type:LakeReg/County:6/St.Lawrence Co. (45)Waterbody Size:13.8 AcresQuad Map:STARK (D-21-2)

Seg Description: entire lake

Water Quality Problem/Issue Information

(CAPS indicate MAJOR Use Impacts/Pollutants/Sources)

Use(s) Impacted Severity Problem Documentation

NO USE IMPAIRMNT

Type of Pollutant(s)

Known: --Suspected: --Possible: ---

Source(s) of Pollutant(s)

Known: --Suspected: --Possible: ---

Resolution/Management Information

Issue Resolvability: 8 (No Known Use Impairment)

Verification Status: (Not Applicable for Selected RESOLVABILITY)

Lead Agency/Office: n/a Resolution Potential: n/a

TMDL/303d Status: n/a

Further Details

Water Quality Sampling

Monitoring of Long Pond was included in the Adirondack Lake Survey Corporation (ALSC) lake monitoring and assessment effort conducted in the mid-1980s (1984-86). Generally these were one-time samples analyzed for variety of parameters, including total phosphorus, pH and water color. These data revealed no indication of impacts to aquatic life support or recreational at the time. Because the data is limited to single samples and collected more than 20 years ago, this assessment is considered to be evaluated, rather than monitored. (DEC, DOW, BWAM/WQAS, January 2009 and ALSC, 1984-86)

Boyd Pond (0904-0044)

NoKnownImpct

Revised: 01/23/2009

Waterbody Location Information

Water Index No: SL- 2-57-P329 Drain Basin: Saint Lawrence River

Hydro Unit Code: 04150304/010 **Str Class:** C(T) Grass River

Waterbody Type: Lake Reg/County: 6/St.Lawrence Co. (45)

Waterbody Size: 84.9 Acres Quad Map: WEST PIERREPONT (D-20-2)

Seg Description: entire lake

Water Quality Problem/Issue Information

(CAPS indicate MAJOR Use Impacts/Pollutants/Sources)

Use(s) Impacted Severity Problem Documentation

NO USE IMPAIRMNT

Type of Pollutant(s)

Known: --Suspected: --Possible: ---

Source(s) of Pollutant(s)

Known: --Suspected: --Possible: ---

Resolution/Management Information

Issue Resolvability: 8 (No Known Use Impairment)

Verification Status: (Not Applicable for Selected RESOLVABILITY)

Lead Agency/Office: n/a Resolution Potential: n/a

TMDL/303d Status: n/a

Further Details

Water Quality Sampling

Monitoring of Boyd Pond was included in the Adirondack Lake Survey Corporation (ALSC) lake monitoring and assessment effort conducted in the mid-1980s (1984-86). Generally these were one-time samples analyzed for variety of parameters, including total phosphorus, pH and water color. These data revealed no indication of impacts to aquatic life support or recreational at the time. Because the data is limited to single samples and collected more than 20 years ago, this assessment is considered to be evaluated, rather than monitored. (DEC, DOW, BWAM/WQAS, January 2009 and ALSC, 1984-86)

Middle Branch Grass River and tribs (0904-0045)

NoKnownImpct

Revised: 01/15/2009

Waterbody Location Information

Water Index No: SL- 2-58 Drain Basin: Saint Lawrence River

Hydro Unit Code: 04150304/020 **Str Class:** C(T) Grass River

Waterbody Type: River Reg/County: 6/St.Lawrence Co. (45)

Waterbody Size: 150.9 Miles Quad Map: WEST PIERREPONT (D-20-2)

Seg Description: entire stream and tribs

Water Quality Problem/Issue Information

(CAPS indicate MAJOR Use Impacts/Pollutants/Sources)

Use(s) Impacted Severity Problem Documentation

NO USE IMPAIRMNT

Type of Pollutant(s)

Known: --Suspected: --Possible: ---

Source(s) of Pollutant(s)

Known: --Suspected: --Possible: ---

Resolution/Management Information

Issue Resolvability: 8 (No Known Use Impairment)

Verification Status: (Not Applicable for Selected RESOLVABILITY)

Lead Agency/Office: n/a Resolution Potential: n/a

TMDL/303d Status: n/a

Further Details

Water Quality Sampling

A biological (macroinvertebrate) assessment of the Middle Branch Grass River, North of Degrasse (at CR 27) was conducted in 2004 during the RIBS Biological Screening effort in the basin. The sample was collected, retained, subsampled and sorted to major groups of organisms but detailed identification was not performed. The sample was field assessed as meeting screening criteria and water quality was evaluated to be very good. The sorted sample was dominated by midges, caddisflies, and mayflies. (DEC/DOW, BWAM/SBU, December 2008)

Segment Description

This segment includes the entire stream and all tribs. The waters of the stream are Class C(T). Tribs to this reach/segment, including Alder Brook (-5), Tracy Pond Outlet (-12), Deerskin Brook (-14), Blue Mountain Stream (-15) and Pleasant Stream (-16), are Class C,C(T).

Tracy Pond (0904-0047)

NoKnownImpct

Revised: 01/23/2009

Waterbody Location Information

Water Index No: SL- 2-58-12-P332 Drain Basin: Saint Lawrence River

Hydro Unit Code: 04150304/020 **Str Class:** C(T) Grass River

Waterbody Type:LakeReg/County:6/St.Lawrence Co. (45)Waterbody Size:27.7 AcresQuad Map:TOOLEY POND (D-21-4)

Seg Description: entire lake

Water Quality Problem/Issue Information

(CAPS indicate MAJOR Use Impacts/Pollutants/Sources)

Use(s) Impacted Severity Problem Documentation

NO USE IMPAIRMNT

Type of Pollutant(s)

Known: --Suspected: --Possible: ---

Source(s) of Pollutant(s)

Known: --Suspected: --Possible: ---

Resolution/Management Information

Issue Resolvability: 8 (No Known Use Impairment)

Verification Status: (Not Applicable for Selected RESOLVABILITY)

Lead Agency/Office: n/a Resolution Potential: n/a

TMDL/303d Status: n/a

Further Details

Water Quality Sampling

Monitoring of Tracy Pond was included in the Adirondack Lake Survey Corporation (ALSC) lake monitoring and assessment effort conducted in the mid-1980s (1984-86). Generally these were one-time samples analyzed for variety of parameters, including total phosphorus, pH and water color. These data revealed no indication of impacts to aquatic life support or recreational at the time. Because the data is limited to single samples and collected more than 20 years ago, this assessment is considered to be evaluated, rather than monitored. (DEC, DOW, BWAM/WQAS, January 2009 and ALSC, 1984-86)

Blue Pond (0904-0048)

NoKnownImpct

Revised: 01/23/2009

Waterbody Location Information

Water Index No: SL- 2-58-14- 2-P335 Drain Basin: Saint Lawrence River

Hydro Unit Code: 04150304/020 **Str Class:** C(T) Grass River

Waterbody Type:LakeReg/County:6/St.Lawrence Co. (45)Waterbody Size:5.1 AcresQuad Map:STARK (D-21-2)

Seg Description: entire lake

Water Quality Problem/Issue Information

(CAPS indicate MAJOR Use Impacts/Pollutants/Sources)

Use(s) Impacted Severity Problem Documentation

NO USE IMPAIRMNT

Type of Pollutant(s)

Known: --Suspected: --Possible: ---

Source(s) of Pollutant(s)

Known: --Suspected: --Possible: ---

Resolution/Management Information

Issue Resolvability: 8 (No Known Use Impairment)

Verification Status: (Not Applicable for Selected RESOLVABILITY)

Lead Agency/Office: n/a Resolution Potential: n/a

TMDL/303d Status: n/a

Further Details

Water Quality Sampling

Monitoring of Blue Pond was included in the Adirondack Lake Survey Corporation (ALSC) lake monitoring and assessment effort conducted in the mid-1980s (1984-86). Generally these were one-time samples analyzed for variety of parameters, including total phosphorus, pH and water color. These data revealed no indication of impacts to aquatic life support or recreational at the time. Because the data is limited to single samples and collected more than 20 years ago, this assessment is considered to be evaluated, rather than monitored. (DEC, DOW, BWAM/WQAS, January 2009 and ALSC, 1984-86)

Little Blue Pond, Clear Pond (0904-0049)

NoKnownImpct

Revised: 01/23/2009

Waterbody Location Information

Water Index No: SL- 2-58-15-P336,P337 Drain Basin: Saint Lawrence River

Hydro Unit Code: 04150304/020 **Str Class:** C(T) Grass River

Waterbody Type: Lake Reg/County: 6/St.Lawrence Co. (45)
Waterbody Size: 44.1 Acres Quad Map: BROTHER PONDS (D-21-3)

Seg Description: total area of both lakes

Water Quality Problem/Issue Information

(CAPS indicate MAJOR Use Impacts/Pollutants/Sources)

Use(s) Impacted Severity Problem Documentation

NO USE IMPAIRMNT

Type of Pollutant(s)

Known: --Suspected: --Possible: ---

Source(s) of Pollutant(s)

Known: --Suspected: --Possible: ---

Resolution/Management Information

Issue Resolvability: 8 (No Known Use Impairment)

Verification Status: (Not Applicable for Selected RESOLVABILITY)

Lead Agency/Office: n/a Resolution Potential: n/a

TMDL/303d Status: n/a

Further Details

Water Quality Sampling

Monitoring of Little Blue Pond and Clear Pond was included in the Adirondack Lake Survey Corporation (ALSC) lake monitoring and assessment effort conducted in the mid-1980s (1984-86). Generally these were one-time samples analyzed for variety of parameters, including total phosphorus, pH and water color. These data revealed no indication of impacts to aquatic life support or recreational at the time. Because the data is limited to single samples and collected more than 20 years ago, this assessment is considered to be evaluated, rather than monitored. (DEC, DOW, BWAM/WQAS, January 2009 and ALSC, 1984-86)

Pleasant Lake (0904-0050)

NoKnownImpct

Revised: 01/23/2009

Waterbody Location Information

Water Index No: SL- 2-58-16-P341 Drain Basin: Saint Lawrence River

Hydro Unit Code: 04150304/020 **Str Class:** C(T) Grass River

Waterbody Type: Lake Reg/County: 6/St.Lawrence Co. (45)
Waterbody Size: 41.6 Acres Quad Map: BROTHER PONDS (D-21-3)

Seg Description: entire lake

Water Quality Problem/Issue Information

(CAPS indicate MAJOR Use Impacts/Pollutants/Sources)

Use(s) Impacted Severity Problem Documentation

NO USE IMPAIRMNT

Type of Pollutant(s)

Known: --Suspected: --Possible: ---

Source(s) of Pollutant(s)

Known: --Suspected: --Possible: ---

Resolution/Management Information

Issue Resolvability: 8 (No Known Use Impairment)

Verification Status: (Not Applicable for Selected RESOLVABILITY)

Lead Agency/Office: n/a Resolution Potential: n/a

TMDL/303d Status: n/a

Further Details

Water Quality Sampling

Monitoring of Pleasant Lake was included in the Adirondack Lake Survey Corporation (ALSC) lake monitoring and assessment effort conducted in the mid-1980s (1984-86). Generally these were one-time samples analyzed for variety of parameters, including total phosphorus, pH and water color. These data revealed no indication of impacts to aquatic life support or recreational at the time. Because the data is limited to single samples and collected more than 20 years ago, this assessment is considered to be evaluated, rather than monitored. (DEC, DOW, BWAM/WQAS, January 2009 and ALSC, 1984-86)

South Branch Grass River, Low, and tribs (0904-0051) NoKnownImpet

Waterbody Location Information

Water Index No: SL- 2-59 Drain Basin: Saint Lawrence River

Hydro Unit Code: 04150304/010 **Str Class:** C(T) Grass River

Waterbody Type: River Reg/County: 6/St.Lawrence Co. (45)
Waterbody Size: 106.3 Miles Quad Map: DEGRASSE (D-20-3)

Seg Description: stream and tribs, from mouth to Newbridge

Water Quality Problem/Issue Information

(CAPS indicate MAJOR Use Impacts/Pollutants/Sources)

Revised: 12/12/2008

Use(s) Impacted Severity Problem Documentation

NO USE IMPAIRMNT

Type of Pollutant(s)

Known: --Suspected: --Possible: ---

Source(s) of Pollutant(s)

Known: --Suspected: --Possible: ---

Resolution/Management Information

Issue Resolvability: 8 (No Known Use Impairment)

Verification Status: (Not Applicable for Selected RESOLVABILITY)

Lead Agency/Office: n/a Resolution Potential: n/a

TMDL/303d Status: n/a

Further Details

Water Quality Sampling

A biological (macroinvertebrate) assessment of the South Branch of the Grass River at Degrasse (at County Route 27) was conducted in 2004 during the RIBS Biological Screening effort in the basin. Sampling results indicated non-impacted water quality conditions. The nutrient biotic index suggested oligotrophic conditions and impact source determination results were inconclusive. The macroinvertebrate fauna was dominated by the intolerant filter feeding caddisfly *Dolophilodes sp.*. (DEC/DOW, BWAM/SBU, November 2008)

Segment Description

This segment includes the portion of the stream and all tribs from the mouth to/including Big Swamp Creek (-17) in Newbridge. The waters of this portion of the stream are Class C(T). Tribs to this reach/segment, including Colton Creek (-1), are Class C,C(T). Middle/Upper South Branch are listed separately.

South Branch Grass River, Mid, and tribs (0904-0052) NoKnownImpct

Waterbody Location Information

Water Index No: SL- 2-59 Drain Basin: Saint Lawrence River

Hydro Unit Code: 04150304/010 **Str Class:** C(T) Grass River

Waterbody Type: River Reg/County: 6/St.Lawrence Co. (45)
Waterbody Size: 121.7 Miles Quad Map: TOOLEY POND (D-21-4)

Seg Description: stream and tribs, from Newbridge to Brandy Brook

Water Quality Problem/Issue Information

(CAPS indicate MAJOR Use Impacts/Pollutants/Sources)

Revised: 01/05/2009

Use(s) Impacted Severity Problem Documentation

NO USE IMPAIRMNT

Type of Pollutant(s)

Known: --Suspected: --Possible: ---

Source(s) of Pollutant(s)

Known: --Suspected: --Possible: ---

Resolution/Management Information

Issue Resolvability: 8 (No Known Use Impairment)

Verification Status: (Not Applicable for Selected RESOLVABILITY)

Lead Agency/Office: n/a Resolution Potential: n/a

TMDL/303d Status: n/a

Further Details

Water Quality sampling

A biological (macroinvertebrate) assessment of the South Branch of the Grass River at Degrasse (at County Route 27) was conducted in 2004 during the RIBS Biological Screening effort in the basin. Sampling results indicated non-impacted water quality conditions. The nutrient biotic index suggested oligotrophic conditions and impact source determination results were inconclusive. The macroinvertebrate fauna was dominated by the intolerant filter feeding caddisfly <u>Dolophilodes sp.</u>. (DEC/DOW, BWAM/SBU, December 2008)

Segment Description

This segment includes the portion of the stream and all tribs from Big Swamp Creek (-17) in Newbridge to/including Dead Creek (-32) near Brandy Brook. The waters of this portion of the stream are Class C(T). Tribs to this reach/segment, including Moosehead Pond Outlet (-18), Cook Pond Outlet (-24) and Dead Creek (-32), are Class C,C(T). Lower/Upper South Branch are listed separately.

Little Moosehead Pond, Moosehead Pond (0904-0056) NoKnownImpct

Waterbody Location Information

Water Index No: SL- 2-59-18-P344,P345 Drain Basin: Saint Lawrence River

Hydro Unit Code: 04150304/010 **Str Class:** C Grass River

Waterbody Type:LakeReg/County:6/St.Lawrence Co. (45)Waterbody Size:70.5 AcresQuad Map:NEWTON FALLS (E-21-1)

Seg Description: total area of both lakes

Water Quality Problem/Issue Information

(CAPS indicate MAJOR Use Impacts/Pollutants/Sources)

Revised: 01/23/2009

Use(s) Impacted Severity Problem Documentation

NO USE IMPAIRMNT

Type of Pollutant(s)

Known: --Suspected: --Possible: ---

Source(s) of Pollutant(s)

Known: --Suspected: --Possible: ---

Resolution/Management Information

Issue Resolvability: 8 (No Known Use Impairment)

Verification Status: (Not Applicable for Selected RESOLVABILITY)

Lead Agency/Office: n/a Resolution Potential: n/a

TMDL/303d Status: n/a

Further Details

Water Quality Sampling

Monitoring of Moosehead Ponds was included in the Adirondack Lake Survey Corporation (ALSC) lake monitoring and assessment effort conducted in the mid-1980s (1984-86). Generally these were one-time samples analyzed for variety of parameters, including total phosphorus, pH and water color. These data revealed no indication of impacts to aquatic life support or recreational at the time. Because the data is limited to single samples and collected more than 20 years ago, this assessment is considered to be evaluated, rather than monitored. (DEC, DOW, BWAM/WQAS, January 2009 and ALSC, 1984-86)

Silver Lake (0904-0059)

NoKnownImpct

Revised: 11/13/2008

Waterbody Location Information

Water Index No: SL- 2-59-31-P351 Drain Basin: Saint Lawrence River

Hydro Unit Code: 04150304/010 **Str Class:** C(T) Grass River

Waterbody Type: Lake Reg/County: 6/St.Lawrence Co. (45)

Waterbody Size: 113.2 Acres Quad Map: CRANBERRY LAKE (E-21-2)

Seg Description: entire lake

Water Quality Problem/Issue Information

(CAPS indicate MAJOR Use Impacts/Pollutants/Sources)

Use(s) Impacted Severity Problem Documentation

NO USE IMPAIRMNT

Type of Pollutant(s)

Known: --Suspected: --Possible: ---

Source(s) of Pollutant(s)

Known: --Suspected: --Possible: ---

Resolution/Management Information

Issue Resolvability: 8 (No Known Use Impairment)

Verification Status: (Not Applicable for Selected RESOLVABILITY)

Lead Agency/Office: n/a Resolution Potential: n/a

TMDL/303d Status: n/a

Further Details

Water Quality Sampling

Silver Lake has been sampled as part of the NYSDEC Citizen Statewide Lake Assessment Program (CSLAP) beginning in 1996 and continuing through 2006. An Interpretive Summary report of the findings of this sampling was published in 2007. These data indicate that the lake continues to be best characterized as mesotrophic, or moderately productive. Phosphorus levels in the lake rarely exceed the state guidance values indicating impacted/stressed recreational uses, although levels have been higher in recent years. Corresponding transparency measurements meet what is the recommended minimum for swimming beaches. Measurements of pH typically fall within the state water quality range of 6.5 to 8.5, although lower readings have been occasionally recorded. The lake water is weak to moderately colored. (DEC/DOW, BWAM/CSLAP, November 2007)

Monitoring of Silver Lake was included in the Adirondack Lake Survey Corporation (ALSC) lake monitoring and assessment effort conducted in the mid-1980s (1984-86). Generally these were one-time samples analyzed for variety of parameters, including total phosphorus, pH and water color. These data revealed no indication of impacts to aquatic life support or recreational at the time. (DEC, DOW, BWAM/WQAS, January 2009 and ALSC, 1984-86)

Recreational Assessment

Public perception of the lake and its uses is also evaluated as part of the CSLAP program. This assessment indicates recreational suitability of the lake to be favorable since the lake was first evaluated and continuing through the most recent assessment. The recreational suitability of the lake is described most frequently as "could not be nicer" and "excellent." The lake itself is most often described as "not quite crystal clear," an assessment that is consistent measured water quality characteristics. Assessments have noted that aquatic plants grow to the lake surface but aquatic weed growth has not been cited as having an impact on uses. Aquatic plants are dominated by native species; invasive/exotic species have not been identified. (DEC/DOW, BWAM/CSLAP, November 2007)

Lake Uses

This lake waterbody is designated class C(T), suitable for general recreation use and aquatic life support, but not as a water supply or public bathing beach. Water quality monitoring by NYSDEC focuses primarily on support of general recreation and aquatic life. Samples to evaluate the bacteriological condition and bathing use of the lake or to evaluate contamination from organic compounds, metals or other inorganic pollutants have not been collected as part of the CSLAP monitoring program. Monitoring to assess potable water supply and public bathing use is generally the responsibility of state and/or local health departments.

Len Pond, Wolf Pond, Beaver Pond (0904-0002)

Impaired Seg

Revised: 09/05/2008

Waterbody Location Information

Water Index No: SL- 2-59-32..P359,P361,P362 Drain Basin: Saint Lawrence River

Hydro Unit Code: 04150304/010 **Str Class:** C(T) Grass River

Waterbody Type: Lake Reg/County: 6/St.Lawrence Co. (45)
Waterbody Size: 56.0 Acres Quad Map: BROTHER PONDS (D-21-3)

Seg Description: total area of all three lakes

Water Quality Problem/Issue Information

(CAPS indicate MAJOR Use Impacts/Pollutants/Sources)

Use(s) Impacted Severity Problem Documentation

AQUATIC LIFE Precluded Known

Type of Pollutant(s)

Known: ACID/BASE (PH)

Suspected: --Possible: ---

Source(s) of Pollutant(s)

Known: ATMOSPH. DEPOSITION

Suspected: --Possible: ---

Resolution/Management Information

Issue Resolvability: ()

Verification Status: (Not Applicable for Selected RESOLVABILITY)

Lead Agency/Office: ext/EPA Resolution Potential: n/a

TMDL/303d Status: 2a (Multiple Segment/Categorical Water, Atmosph Dep)

Further Details

Overview

Aquatic life support in Wolf Pond is known to be impaired by low pH, a result of atmospheric deposition (acid rain).

Water Quality Sampling

Historical surveys of these waters indicate that low pH due to acid deposition is limiting the fishery. Monitoring by ALSC (1985) revealed a pH below 5.0 in Wolf Pond. Aquatic life in this segment is considered to be impaired. (DEC/DOW, BWAM, 2008)

Water Quality Management

Efforts are underway on a national level to address problems caused by acid rain by reducing pollutant emissions, as required by the Clean Air Act. New York State (and other northeastern states) have taken legal action against USEPA to accelerate implementation of controls. Monitoring of these waters will continue, in order to assess changes in water quality resulting from implementation of the Clean Air Act. However, these changes are expected to occur only slowly over time.

Section 303(d) Listing

The waters of this segment are included on the NYS 2008 Section 303(d) List of Impaired Waters. Wolf Pond is included

on Part 2a of the List as an Atmospheric Deposition (Acid Rain) Water. (DEC/DOW, BWAM, 2008)

Segment Description

This segment includes the total area of Len Pond (P359), Wolf Pond (P361), Beaver Pond (P362).

Grass River Flow (0904-0063)

NoKnownImpct

Revised: 01/23/2009

Waterbody Location Information

Water Index No: SL- 2-59-36-P366 Drain Basin: Saint Lawrence River

Hydro Unit Code: 04150304/010 **Str Class:** C(T) Grass River

Waterbody Type:LakeReg/County:6/St.Lawrence Co. (45)Waterbody Size:187.0 AcresQuad Map:CHILDWOLD (D-22-4)

Seg Description: entire lake

Water Quality Problem/Issue Information

(CAPS indicate MAJOR Use Impacts/Pollutants/Sources)

Use(s) Impacted Severity Problem Documentation

NO USE IMPAIRMNT

Type of Pollutant(s)

Known: --Suspected: --Possible: ---

Source(s) of Pollutant(s)

Known: --Suspected: --Possible: ---

Resolution/Management Information

Issue Resolvability: 8 (No Known Use Impairment)

Verification Status: (Not Applicable for Selected RESOLVABILITY)

Lead Agency/Office: n/a Resolution Potential: n/a

TMDL/303d Status: n/a

Further Details

Water Quality Sampling

Monitoring of Grass River Flow was included in the Adirondack Lake Survey Corporation (ALSC) lake monitoring and assessment effort conducted in the mid-1980s (1984-86). Generally these were one-time samples analyzed for variety of parameters, including total phosphorus, pH and water color. These data revealed no indication of impacts to aquatic life support or recreational at the time. Because the data is limited to single samples and collected more than 20 years ago, this assessment is considered to be evaluated, rather than monitored. (DEC, DOW, BWAM/WQAS, January 2009 and ALSC, 1984-86)

Pine Pond (0904-0065)

NoKnownImpct

Revised: 01/23/2009

Waterbody Location Information

Water Index No: SL- 2-59-39-P368

Hydro Unit Code: 04150304/010 **Str Class:** C

Waterbody Type:LakeReg/County:6/St.Lawrence Co. (45)Waterbody Size:15.7 AcresQuad Map:CHILDWOLD (D-22-4)

Seg Description: entire lake

Water Quality Problem/Issue Information

(CAPS indicate MAJOR Use Impacts/Pollutants/Sources)

Drain Basin: Saint Lawrence River

Grass River

Use(s) Impacted Severity Problem Documentation

NO USE IMPAIRMNT

Type of Pollutant(s)

Known: --Suspected: --Possible: ---

Source(s) of Pollutant(s)

Known: --Suspected: --Possible: ---

Resolution/Management Information

Issue Resolvability: 8 (No Known Use Impairment)

Verification Status: (Not Applicable for Selected RESOLVABILITY)

Lead Agency/Office: n/a Resolution Potential: n/a

TMDL/303d Status: n/a

Further Details

Water Quality Sampling

Monitoring of Pine Pond was included in the Adirondack Lake Survey Corporation (ALSC) lake monitoring and assessment effort conducted in the mid-1980s (1984-86). Generally these were one-time samples analyzed for variety of parameters, including total phosphorus, pH and water color. These data revealed no indication of impacts to aquatic life support or recreational at the time. Because the data is limited to single samples and collected more than 20 years ago, this assessment is considered to be evaluated, rather than monitored. (DEC, DOW, BWAM/WQAS, January 2009 and ALSC, 1984-86)

Massawepie Lake (0904-0066)

NoKnownImpct

Revised: 01/23/2009

Waterbody Location Information

Water Index No: SL-2-59-39-P369

Hydro Unit Code: 04150304/010

Str Class: В Lake

Waterbody Type: Waterbody Size: 439.6 Acres

Seg Description: entire lake

Saint Lawrence River Drain Basin:

Grass River

Reg/County: 6/St.Lawrence Co. (45) Quad Map: CHILDWOLD (D-22-4)

Water Quality Problem/Issue Information

(CAPS indicate MAJOR Use Impacts/Pollutants/Sources)

Problem Documentation Use(s) Impacted Severity

NO USE IMPAIRMNT

Type of Pollutant(s)

Known: Suspected: Possible:

Source(s) of Pollutant(s)

Known: Suspected: Possible:

Resolution/Management Information

8 (No Known Use Impairment) **Issue Resolvability:**

Verification Status: (Not Applicable for Selected RESOLVABILITY)

Lead Agency/Office: Resolution Potential: n/a

TMDL/303d Status: n/a

Further Details

Water Quality Sampling

Monitoring of Massawepie Lake was included in the Adirondack Lake Survey Corporation (ALSC) lake monitoring and assessment effort conducted in the mid-1980s (1984-86). Generally these were one-time samples analyzed for variety of parameters, including total phosphorus, pH and water color. These data revealed no indication of impacts to aquatic life support or recreational at the time. Because the data is limited to single samples and collected more than 20 years ago, this assessment is considered to be evaluated, rather than monitored. (DEC, DOW, BWAM/WQAS, January 2009 and ALSC, 1984-86)

Catamount Pond (0904-0067)

NoKnownImpct

Revised: 01/23/2009

Waterbody Location Information

Water Index No: SL- 2-59-39-P369- 2-P370 Drain Basin: Saint Lawrence River

Hydro Unit Code: 04150304/010 **Str Class:** B(T) Grass River

Waterbody Type:LakeReg/County:6/St.Lawrence Co. (45)Waterbody Size:103.1 AcresQuad Map:CHILDWOLD (D-22-4)

Seg Description: entire lake

Water Quality Problem/Issue Information

(CAPS indicate MAJOR Use Impacts/Pollutants/Sources)

Use(s) Impacted Severity Problem Documentation

NO USE IMPAIRMNT

Type of Pollutant(s)

Known: --Suspected: --Possible: ---

Source(s) of Pollutant(s)

Known: --Suspected: --Possible: ---

Resolution/Management Information

Issue Resolvability: 8 (No Known Use Impairment)

Verification Status: (Not Applicable for Selected RESOLVABILITY)

Lead Agency/Office: n/a Resolution Potential: n/a

TMDL/303d Status: n/a

Further Details

Water Quality Sampling

Monitoring of Catamount Pond was included in the Adirondack Lake Survey Corporation (ALSC) lake monitoring and assessment effort conducted in the mid-1980s (1984-86). Generally these were one-time samples analyzed for variety of parameters, including total phosphorus, pH and water color. These data revealed no indication of impacts to aquatic life support or recreational at the time. Because the data is limited to single samples and collected more than 20 years ago, this assessment is considered to be evaluated, rather than monitored. (DEC, DOW, BWAM/WQAS, January 2009 and ALSC, 1984-86)

Burntbridge Pond (0904-0069)

NoKnownImpct

Revised: 01/23/2009

Waterbody Location Information

Water Index No: SL- 2-59-40-P375 Drain Basin:

Hydro Unit Code: 04150304/010 **Str Class:** FP Grass River

Waterbody Type:LakeReg/County:6/St.Lawrence Co. (45)Waterbody Size:55.3 AcresQuad Map:TUPPER LAKE (E-22-0)

Seg Description: entire lake

Water Quality Problem/Issue Information

(CAPS indicate MAJOR Use Impacts/Pollutants/Sources)

Saint Lawrence River

Use(s) Impacted Severity Problem Documentation

NO USE IMPAIRMNT

Type of Pollutant(s)

Known: --Suspected: --Possible: ---

Source(s) of Pollutant(s)

Known: --Suspected: --Possible: ---

Resolution/Management Information

Issue Resolvability: 8 (No Known Use Impairment)

Verification Status: (Not Applicable for Selected RESOLVABILITY)

Lead Agency/Office: n/a Resolution Potential: n/a

TMDL/303d Status: n/a

Further Details

Water Quality Sampling

Monitoring of Burntbridge Pond was included in the Adirondack Lake Survey Corporation (ALSC) lake monitoring and assessment effort conducted in the mid-1980s (1984-86). Generally these were one-time samples analyzed for variety of parameters, including total phosphorus, pH and water color. These data revealed no indication of impacts to aquatic life support or recreational at the time. Because the data is limited to single samples and collected more than 20 years ago, this assessment is considered to be evaluated, rather than monitored. (DEC, DOW, BWAM/WQAS, January 2009 and ALSC, 1984-86)

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