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# Cayuga Lake Water Quality Monitoring, Related to the LSC Facility: 1999

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#### 1. Objective/Study Area

The primary objective is to conduct an ambient water quality monitoring program focusing on the southern portion of Cayuga Lake to support long-term records of trophic state indicators, including concentrations of phosphorus and chlorophyll, and Secchi disc transparency, and other measures of water quality.

Cayuga Lake is the second largest of the Finger Lakes. A comprehensive limnological description of the lake has been presented by Oglesby (1979). The lake is monomictic (stratifies in summer), mesotrophic (intermediate level of biological productivity), and is a hardwater alkaline system. Much of the tributary inflow received by the lake enters at the southern end; e.g., ~ 40% is contributed by the combination of Fall Creek and Cayuga Inlet (Figure 1). Effluent from two domestic wastewater treatment (WWT) facilities also enters this portion of the lake (Figure 1). The discharge from Cornell's LSC facility will enter the southern portion (e.g., south of McKinney's Point) of the lake along the east shore (Figure 1).

#### 2. Design

#### 2.1. Description of Parameters Selected for Monitoring

#### 2.1.1. Phosphorus (P)

Phosphorus (P) plays a critical role in supporting plant growth. Phosphorus has long been recognized as the most critical nutrient controlling phytoplankton (microscopic plants of the open waters) growth in most lakes in the north temperate zone. Degradation in water quality has been widely documented for lakes that have received excessively high inputs of P from man's activities. Increases in P inputs often cause increased growth of phytoplankton in lakes. Occurrences of particularly high concentrations of phytoplankton are described as "blooms". The accelerated "aging" of lakes associated with inputs of P from man's activities has been described as cultural eutrophication.

The three forms of P measured in this monitoring program, total P (TP), total dissolved P (TDP), and soluble reactive P (SRP), are routinely measured in many limnological and water quality programs. TP is widely used as an indicator of trophic state (level of plant production). TDP and SRP are measured on filtered (0.45  $\mu$ m) samples. Most TDP is assumed to be ultimately available to support phytoplankton growth. SRP is a component of TDP that is usually assumed to be immediately available to support phytoplankton growth. Particulate P (PP; incorporated in, or attached to, particles) is calculated as the difference between paired measurements of TP and TDP. The composition of PP can vary greatly in time for a particular lake, and between different lakes. Contributing components include phytoplankton and other P-bearing particles that may be resuspended from the bottom or received from stream/river inputs.

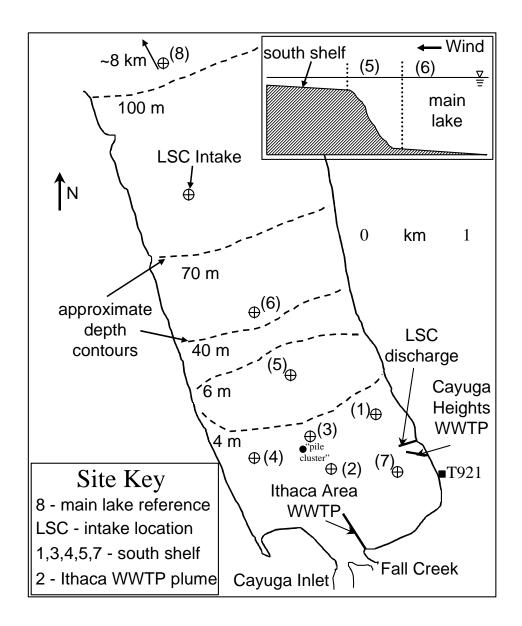


Figure 1a. Sampling sites, setting, approximate bathymetry, for LSC monitoring program, southern end of Cayuga Lake.

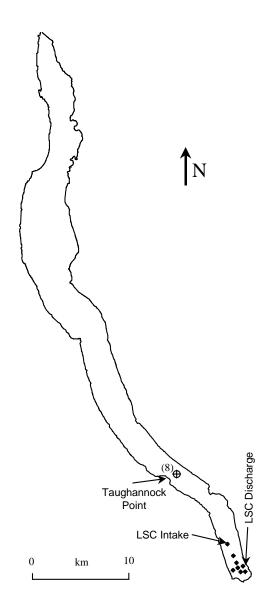


Figure 1b. Sampling sites for LSC monitoring program, within the context of the entire Cayuga Lake basin.

#### 2.1.2. Nitrogen (N)

Nitrogen exists in a number of different forms in lakes. Two forms of N are important to plant nutrition, ammonium ion  $(NH_4^+)$  and nitrate  $(NO_3^-)$ . Ammonium is preferred over nitrate because it is more easily assimilated. For that reason ammonium is frequently depleted to levels below detection limits of common analytical procedures. Nitrogen is probably the second most critical nutrient controlling phytoplankton growth. Nitrogen becomes the limiting nutrient seasonally in a number of lakes. The development of N-limiting conditions is usually considered undesirable, as it can promote proliferation of a group of phytoplankton that are capable of obtaining ("fixing") N from the atmosphere to augment or meet their N requirements. This group of phytoplankton (N-fixing filamentous blue-green algae/cyanobacteria) is generally considered undesirable because they may cause nuisance conditions, such as floating scums.

The three forms of N measured in this program, total dissolved N (TDN), total ammonia (T-NH<sub>3</sub>), and total oxidized N (NO<sub>x</sub>), are routinely measured in many limnological and water quality programs. These forms are monitored here to stay apprised of the availability of N to phytoplankton, and the major components of dissolved N in the system. Total ammonia includes ammonium (NH<sub>4</sub><sup>+</sup>) and free (or un-ionized; NH<sub>3</sub>) ammonia. Ammonium is the dominant component at the pH values common to Cayuga Lake. Two components contribute to NO<sub>x</sub>, NO<sub>3</sub><sup>-</sup>, and nitrite (NO<sub>2</sub><sup>-</sup>). The dominant component, by a wide margin, is NO<sub>3</sub><sup>-</sup>, as NO<sub>2</sub><sup>-</sup> is almost always present in low concentrations due to its highly reactive character. The difference between TDN and the sum of T-NH<sub>3</sub> and NO<sub>x</sub> is an estimate of the concentration of dissolved organic N (DON). Biochemical processes can cause the conversion of DON to T-NH<sub>3</sub>, and T-NH<sub>3</sub> to NO<sub>x</sub>.

#### 2.1.3. Chloride (Cl<sup>-</sup>)/Specific Conductance

Chloride (Cl<sup>-</sup>) behaves in a conservative manner in freshwaters. In other words, it is not taken up or produced as part of chemical and biochemical processes that occur in lakes. For that reason, it is commonly incorporated in monitoring programs as a **tracer**. In lakes, where there are distinct differences in Cl<sup>-</sup> concentrations in inflows or discharges, routine measurements may serve to identify the contribution(s) of various inputs, and even the movement of these inputs within the lake. Measurements of Cl<sup>-</sup></sup> are included in this program for these reasons.</sup>

Specific conductance is an aggregate measure of the summed ionic content of water. This parameter is also used as a tracer, though it does not meet the conservative assumption as well as Cl<sup>-</sup>. This parameter is measured in the field.

#### 2.1.4. Clarity/Optical Properties

The extent of the penetration of light in water (e.g., ability to see submerged objects), described as clarity, is closely coupled to the public's perception of water quality. Light penetration is particularly sensitive to the concentration, composition and

size of particles. In lakes where phytoplankton are the dominant component of the particle population, measures of clarity may be closely correlated to TP concentrations and the concentration of phytoplankton biomass (e.g., as measured by chlorophyll). Clarity is relatively insensitive to phytoplankton biomass when and where concentrations of other types of particles are high. In general, light penetration is low when concentrations of phytoplankton, or other particles, are high.

Two measures of light penetration are made routinely in this program, Secchi disc transparency (in the field) and turbidity (laboratory). The Secchi disc measurement has a particularly long history in limnological studies, and has proven to be a rather powerful piece of information, even within the context of modern optical measurements. It remains the most broadly used measure of light penetration. The higher the Secchi disc measurement the greater the extent of light penetration. Turbidity, as measured with a nephelometric turbidimeter, measures the light captured from a standardized source after passage through a water sample. Turbidity and Secchi disc depth are regulated by a heterogeneous population of suspended particles which include not only phytoplankton, but clay, silt, and other finely divided organic and inorganic matter. The higher the turbidity value the higher the concentration of particles that limit light penetration.

Two other optical measurements are made as part of this program, irradiance and beam attenuation. These parameters are included to augment the information concerning light penetration. Depth profiles of irradiance are collected to determine the attenuation (or extinction) coefficient, another measure of light penetration.

#### 2.1.5. Chlorophyll/Fluorescence

Chlorophyll **a** is the principal photosynthetic pigment that is common to all phytoplankton. Chlorophyll (usually as chlorophyll **a**) is the most widely used surrogate measure of phytoplankton biomass, and is generally considered to be the most direct and reliable measure of trophic state. Increases in chlorophyll concentrations indicate increased phytoplankton production. The major advantages of chlorophyll as a measure of phytoplankton biomass are: (1) the measurement is relatively simple and direct, (2) it integrates different types and ages of phytoplankton, (3) it accounts to some extent for viability of the phytoplankton, and (4) it is quantitatively coupled to optical properties that may influence clarity. However, the chlorophyll measurement does not resolve phytoplankton type, and the chlorophyll content per unit biomass can vary according to species and ambient environmental conditions. Therefore, it is an imperfect measure of phytoplankton biomass. Fluorescence has been widely used as a surrogate measure of chlorophyll. Fluorescence measurements are made in the field in this program.

Rather wide variations in chlorophyll concentrations can occur seasonally, particularly in productive lakes. The details of the timing of these variations, including the occurrence of blooms, often differ year-to-year. Seasonal changes in phytoplankton biomass reflect imbalance between growth and loss processes. Factors influencing growth include nutrient availability (concentrations), temperature and light. Phytoplankton are removed from the lake either by settling, consumption by small animals (e.g., zooplankton), natural death, or exiting the basin. During intervals of

increases in phytoplankton, the rate of growth exceeds the summed rates of the various loss processes.

#### 2.1.6. Temperature

Temperature is a primary regulator of important physical, chemical, and biochemical processes in lakes. It is perhaps the most fundamental parameter in lake monitoring programs. Lakes in the northeast go through major temperature transformations linked primarily to changes in air temperature and incident light. Important cycles in aquatic life and biochemical processes are linked to the annual temperature cycle. Deep lakes stratify in summer in this region, with the warmer less dense water in the upper layers (epilimnion) and the colder more dense water in the lower layers (hypolimnion). A rather strong temperature/density gradient in intermediate depths between the epilimnion and hypolimnion (metalimnion) limits cycling of materials from the hypolimnion to the epilimnion during summer. Gradients in temperature are largely absent over the late fall to spring interval, allowing active mixing throughout the watercolumn (e.g., turnover).

#### 2.2. Timing

Lake sampling and field measurements were conducted during the spring to fall interval of 1999, beginning in April and extending through early November. Sampling and field measurements were conducted by boat, bi-weekly; a total of 18 monitoring trips were made. Additionally, recording thermistors were deployed continuously at one location; temperature measurements were made hourly over the April – October interval. The thermistors were exchanged biweekly with fresh units for data downloading and maintenance. Deployments made in November (1999) were retrieved in April (2000). Measurements were recorded on a daily basis over this later interval.

#### 2.3. Locations

An array of sampling sites (e.g., grid) has been adopted that provides a robust representation of the southern portion of the lake (Figure 1). This sampling grid may reasonably be expected to resolve persistent water quality gradients that may be imparted by the various inputs/inflows that enter this portion of the lake. Further, inclusion of these sites is expected to contribute to fair representation of average conditions for this portion of the lake.

Seven sites were monitored for the full suite of parameters in the southern end of the lake (sites 1 through 7). An eighth (site 8) point was located further north as a reference for the main lake conditions. Positions (latitude, longitude) for the eight sites are specified in Table 1. The configuration of sites includes two transect lines; one with 3 sites along an east-west line extending from an area near the discharge location, the other with 4 sites running approximately along the main axis of the lake (Figure 1). Additionally, two sites (1 and 7) bound the future location of the LSC discharge, paralleling the east shore (Figure 1). The future intake location for the LSC facility was also sampled. The position for thermistor deployment ("pile cluster") is shown in Figure 1 and specified in Table 1. The "Global Positioning System" (GPS) was used to locate the sampling/monitoring sites. A reference position located at the southern end of the lake (Figure 1) was used to assess the accuracy of the GPS for each monitoring trip.

Site No.	Latitude	Longitude
1 (discharge boundary)	42°28.3'	76°30.5'
2	28.0'	30.8'
3	28.2'	30.9'
4	28.2'	31.4'
5	28.5'	31.1'
6	28.8'	31.3'
7 (discharge boundary)	28.0'	30.3'
8 (off Taughannock Pt.)	33.0'	35.0'
thermistor "pile cluster"	28.1'	31.0'
LSC Intake	29.4'	31.8'

 Table 1: Specification of Site Locations for Ambient Water Quality Monitoring (refer to Figure 1).

#### 2.4. Field Measurements/Seabird Profiling

Instrumentation profiles were collected in the field at 9 locations (sites 1 through 8 and the Intake; Figure 1) with a SeaBird profiler. Profiles extended from the surface to within 2m of the lake bottom, or to 20m at deeper sites, for sites, 1 through 8. Deeper profiles were obtained for the intake site. Parameters measured in the profiles and the potential utility of the information are summarized in Table 2. Additionally, dissolved oxygen was measured at site 3 each monitoring trip with a HydroLab Surveyor 3, calibrated and operated according to the manufacturer's specifications. Secchi disc transparency was measured with a 20 cm diameter black and white quadrant disc (Wetzel and Likens 1991).

Parameter	Utility
Temperature	heat budget, density stratification
Conductivity	tracer, mixing patterns
Fluorescence	measure of chlorophyll
Beam attenuation	identification of particle rich layers,
	including benthic nepheloid layers
Irradiance	determination of attenuation
Scalar	coefficients
Downwelling	

#### 2.5. Field Methods

Water samples were collected with a well rinsed Van Dorn sampler or submersible pump, with depths marked on the line/hose. Care was taken that the sampling device was deployed vertically within the water column at the time of sampling. Samples for laboratory analysis (except for coliforms) for sites 1 - 8 were composite-type, formed from equal volumes of sub-samples collected at depths of 0, 2 and 4 meters. The composite-type samples avoid over-representation of the effects of temporary secondary stratification in monitored parameters. Samples (3) for coliform analysis were grab-type; collected from the surface at sites 1 and 7, and as the near-bottom sample at the proposed intake (Figure 1). Sample bottles were stored in ice and transported to the laboratory on the same day of sampling. Chain of custody procedures were observed for all samples collected for laboratory analysis.

#### 2.6. Laboratory Analyses, Protocols

Laboratory analyses for the selected parameters were conducted according to methods specified in Table 3. Detection limits for these analyses are also included. Most of these laboratory analyses are "Standard Methods". The chlorophyll method is one of the most commonly used in lake studies. The acidified turbidity method has been applied by this study team for a number of hard water systems such as Cayuga Lake.

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Analyte	Method No.	Reference	Limit of
			Detection
total phosphorus	4500-P	APHA (1992)	0.6 μg·L <sup>-1</sup>
soluble reactive phosphorus	4500-P	APHA (1992)	$0.3 \mu g \cdot L^{-1}$
total dissolved phosphorus	4500-P	APHA (1992)	0.6 µg·L <sup>-1</sup>
turbidity	2130-В	APHA (1992)	-
acidified turbidity		Effler and Johnson (1987)	-
total dissolved nitrogen		Ebina et al. 1983	$0.01 \text{ mg} \cdot \text{L}^{-1}$
ammonia nitrogen	350.1	USEPA (1983)	$0.01 \text{ mg} \cdot \text{L}^{-1}$
nitrate and nitrite nitrogen	353.2	USEPA (1983)	$0.01 \text{ mg} \cdot \text{L}^{-1}$
chlorophyll <b>a</b>		Parsons et al. (1984)	$0.4 \mu g \cdot L^{-1}$
chloride	4500-CL <sup>-</sup>	APHA (1992)	$0.05 \text{ mg} \cdot \text{L}^{-1}$
fecal coliform	9222-D	APHA (1992)	-

**Table 3:** Specification of laboratory methods for ambient water quality monitoring

Specifications adhered to for processing and preservation of samples, containers for samples, and maximum holding times before analyses, are summarized in Table 4.

#### 2.7. Quality Assurance/Control Program

A quality assurance/control (QA/QC) program was conducted to assure that ambient lake data collected met data quality objectives for precision, accuracy, representativeness, comparability, and completeness.

#### 2.7.1. Field Program

Precision of sampling and sample handling was assessed by a program of field replicates. Samples for laboratory analyses were collected in triplicate at site 1 on each

Parameter	Processing	Preservation	Container	Holding Time
total phosphorus	а	а	1	1
soluble reactive phosphorus	a	b	1	2
total dissolved phosphorus	а	а	1	1
chlorophyll <b>a</b>	b	с	2	3
turbidity	с	b	2	2
acidified turbidity	d	b	2	2
chloride	с	d	2	1
total dissolved nitrogen	а	b	2	4
ammonia nitrogen	а	b or a	2	4
nitrate and nitrite nitrogen	а	b or a	2	4
fecal coliform	с	d	3	5

Table 4:	Summary	of processing,	preservation,	storage	containers	and ho	olding time	s for
	laborator	y measurements	s; see codes be	elow.				

#### codes:

processing:	<ul> <li>a - filter with 0.45 μm cellulose acetate filter</li> <li>b - filter with 0.45 μm cellulose nitrate filter</li> <li>c - whole water sample</li> <li>d - acidified to pH = 4.3 for 1 min.</li> </ul>
preservation:	<ul> <li>a - H<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub> to pH &lt; 2</li> <li>b - none</li> <li>c - store filter frozen until analysis</li> <li>d - none sample kept at &lt; 4° C, and in the dark</li> </ul>
container:	<ol> <li>1 - 250 ml acid washed borosilicate boston round</li> <li>2 - 4L polypropylene container</li> <li>3 - sterilized, glass or plastic</li> </ol>
holding time:	1 - 28 days 2 - 24 hours 3 200 days 4 - unpreserved 48 hours, preserved 28 days 5 - 30 hours

sampling day. Triplicate samples were collected at one of the other eight stations each monitoring trip. This station was rotated each sampling trip through the field season. Secchi disc measurements were made in triplicate at site 1 and another site, that rotated (with the triplicate sampling described above) through the field season.

Precision was high for the triplicate sampling/measurement program, as represented by the average values of the coefficient of variation for the 1999 program (Table 5). The greatest variability was associated with the chlorophyll measurement (Table 5).

Parameter	Site 1	<b>Rotating Site</b>
total phosphorus	0.07	0.07
chlorophyll <b>a</b>	0.12	0.08
nitrate plus nitrite	0.04	0.05
Secchi disc	0.01	0.01*

Table 5:	Precision for triplicate sampling/measurement program for key parameters for
	1999, represented by the coefficient of variation.

\* average of Sites 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, LSC

#### 2.7.2. Laboratory Program

The laboratory quality assurance/control program conducted was as specified by the Environmental Laboratory Approval Program (ELAP 1999) of the New York State Health Department. ELAP methods were used to assure precision and accuracy, completeness and comparability (ELAP 1999). The program included analyses of reference samples, matrix spikes, blind proficiency samples, and duplicate analyses. Calibration and performance evaluation of analytical methods was as specified in the ELAP program; this includes control charts of reference samples, matrix spikes, and duplicate analyses.

#### 3. Results, 1999

The measurements made in the 1999 monitoring program are presented in two formats here: (1) in tabular form (Table 6) as selected summary statistics for each site, and (2) as time plots for selected sites and site groupings. Detailed listings of data are presented in Appendix I. The adopted summary statistics include the mean, the range of observations, and the coefficient of variation (CV = standard deviation/mean; Table 6). Additionally, the individual observations for coliforms are presented (Table 6). The plots present three time series; these include (except for Secchi disc) one for site 2, another for site 8, and the third is an "average" of sites intended to represent overall conditions in the southern portion of the lake. This southern portion is designated as the "shelf", as depths are less than 6 m. The "average" is the mean of observations for sites 3, 4, 5, and the average of sites 1 and 7 (together to represent conditions in the eastern portion of the study area; see Figure 1). Observations for site 6 are not included in this averaging because this location, while proximate, is in deeper water (> 40 m; i.e., off the shelf). Measurements at site 8 are presented separately in these plots to reflect lake-wide (or the main lake) conditions. Observations for site 2 are separated from the other sites of the southern end because the results indicate this location is at times within the discharge plume of the Ithaca WWTP. On several occasions concentrations of forms of phosphorus (TP, TDP, and SRP) and nitrogen (TDN and T-NH<sub>3</sub>) were much higher at site 2 than at any other location (Table 6, Figure 2), consistent with the proximity to the discharge (Figure 1) enriched in these components. This site is omitted in the formation of the "average" from the other sites because the effect is localized, temporally irregular, and is representative of only a relatively small volume of water. Time series for site 2 appear as insets in the time plots (Figure 2) to accommodate the much greater magnitudes of some

Table 6: Summary	of results	of monitoring	program accor	rding to site	(n=18), 1999.
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<b>TP</b> ( $\mu$ gP·L <sup>-1</sup> )				
SITE	MEAN	CV	RANGE	
1	15.3	0.34	8.1 - 27.0	
2	32.0	0.73	10.3 - 86.4	
3	14.1	0.36	5.6 - 22.1	
4	11.3	0.56	6.0 - 32.0	
5	12.3	0.32	6.8 – 19.8	
6	10.2	0.25	5.9 - 13.8	
7	17.3	0.36	9.0 - 29.1	
8	9.9	0.20	6.8 - 13.9	
LSC	9.9	0.22	6.3 - 13.5	

<b>TDN</b> (mgN·L <sup>-1</sup> )				
SITE	MEAN	CV	RANGE	
1	1.27	0.16	1.00 - 1.55	
2	1.99	0.55	0.99 – 5.19	
3	1.42	0.26	0.99 – 2.59	
4	1.32	0.17	1.00 - 1.81	
5	1.35	0.16	1.07 - 1.80	
6	1.34	0.15	1.00 – 1.69	
7	1.32	0.17	1.00 – 1.67	
8	1.29	0.12	1.08 - 1.60	
LSC	1.31	0.12	1.07 - 1.55	

TDP (µ	<b>TDP</b> ( $\mu$ gP·L <sup>-1</sup> )				
SITE	MEAN	CV	RANGE		
1	5.9	0.75	2.1 - 16.9		
2	13.4	0.66	2.8 - 35.7		
3	4.8	0.52	1.1 - 10.1		
4	4.0	0.43	0.8 - 6.5		
5	3.7	0.46	0.9 - 8.2		
6	3.8	0.63	0.3 - 10.0		
7	6.8	0.65	3.1 - 17.8		
8	3.4	0.65	0.3 - 8.5		
LSC	3.8	0.55	0.3 - 8.8		

$NO_{X}$ (mgN·L <sup>-1</sup> )				
SITE	MEAN	CV	RANGE	
1	0.96	0.15	0.71 - 1.23	
2	1.17	0.26	0.82 - 1.75	
3	1.00	0.14	0.76 - 1.20	
4	0.99	0.16	0.76 - 1.32	
5	0.98	0.14	0.73 - 1.18	
6	0.99	0.16	0.68 - 1.18	
7	0.92	0.17	0.73 - 1.22	
8	0.99	0.16	0.74 - 1.22	
LSC	0.98	0.14	0.76 - 1.23	

SRP (µ	<b>SRP</b> ( $\mu$ gP·L <sup>-1</sup> )				
SITE	MEAN	CV	RANGE		
1	2.4	1.48	0.2 - 12.0		
2	8.6	0.81	0.4 - 26.9		
3	1.6	1.25	0.2 - 7.6		
4	1.2	1.17	0.2 - 4.5		
5	0.9	1.56	0.2 - 5.1		
6	0.9	1.56	0.2 - 5.4		
7	3.5	1.19	0.3 - 14.0		
8	0.8	1.50	0.2 - 4.9		
LSC	0.9	1.67	0.2 - 6.1		

$\mathbf{T}$ - $\mathbf{NH}_3 (mgN \cdot L^{-1})$				
SITE	MEAN	CV	RANGE	
1	0.061	0.98	0.014 - 0.234	
2	1.468	3.35	0.019 - 19.82	
3	0.049	1.30	0.005 - 0.221	
4	0.018	0.56	0.005 - 0.045	
5	0.023	0.88	0.005 - 0.090	
6	0.020	0.82	0.005 - 0.066	
7	0.077	0.78	0.021 - 0.209	
8	0.015	0.77	0.005 - 0.050	
LSC	0.014	0.65	0.005 - 0.035	

**Table 6 (cont.)**: Summary of results of monitoring program according to site (n=18).

<b>CHL A</b> $(\mu g \cdot L^{-1})$				
SITE	MEAN	CV	RANGE	
1	3.6	0.47	1.2 - 6.4	
2	5.9	1.10	0.9 - 29.6	
3	3.4	0.56	0.9 - 7.0	
4	2.9	0.55	0.9 - 6.3	
5	3.7	0.38	1.1 - 6.2	
6	4.0	0.38	1.5 - 6.0	
7	3.2	0.64	1.4 – 9.5	
8	4.2	0.31	1.3 - 6.6	
LSC	4.0	0.38	1.3 – 6.4	

<b>Temperature</b> (°C)				
SITE	MEAN	CV	RANGE	
1	15.4	0.36	7.3 - 25.4	
2	15.1	0.39	6.5 - 25.7	
3	15.2	0.39	6.1 – 25.7	
4	15.0	0.41	4.8 - 25.6	
5	15.4	0.39	4.7 – 25.5	
6	15.4	0.40	4.4 - 25.5	
7	15.2	0.37	7.1 – 25.7	
8	16.1	0.39	4.1 - 25.2	
LSC	15.4	0.41	4.2 - 25.5	

$\operatorname{Cl}(\operatorname{mg} \cdot \operatorname{L}^{-1})$				
SITE	MEAN	CV	RANGE	
1	42.1	0.04	39.5 - 45.9	
2	43.1	0.05	40.2 - 47.7	
3	41.9	0.03	39.9 - 44.8	
4	42.4	0.06	39.5 - 50.9	
5	41.9	0.05	39.0 - 46.8	
6	41.7	0.05	39.0 - 48.0	
7	42.1	0.03	40.1 - 45.1	
8	42.0	0.03	39.9 - 44.3	
LSC	41.6	0.02	40.0 - 43.0	

<b>Beam Attenuation Coeff.</b> (m <sup>-1</sup> )			
SITE	MEAN	CV	RANGE
1	2.60	0.33	1.55 - 4.98
2	2.71	0.46	1.42 - 6.21
3	2.41	0.58	1.46 - 7.30
4	1.68	0.22	1.17 - 2.42
5	2.31	0.31	1.67 – 3.71
6	2.00	0.21	1.58 - 3.17
7	2.73	0.56	0.91 - 6.07
8	1.92	0.23	1.24 - 3.02
LSC	1.89	0.19	1.47 – 2.83

T <sub>n</sub> (NTU	<b>T</b> <sub>n</sub> (NTU)				
SITE	MEAN	CV	RANGE		
1	1.4	0.73	0.5 - 4.9		
2	1.7	0.88	0.4 - 6.6		
3	1.0	0.60	0.3 - 2.5		
4	0.7	0.71	0.3 - 1.8		
5	1.0	0.60	0.3 – 2.6		
6	0.8	0.63	0.4 - 2.5		
7	1.3	0.98	0.4 - 6.1		
8	0.8	0.75	0.3 – 3.0		
LSC	0.8	0.63	0.3 – 2.6		

$\mathbf{K}_{\mathbf{s}}$ (m <sup>-1</sup>	K <sub>s</sub> (m <sup>-1</sup> ) Attenuation Coeff				
SITE	MEAN	CV	RANGE		
1	0.61	0.21	0.40 - 1.07		
2	0.76	0.37	0.51 - 1.47		
3	0.49	0.24	0.40 - 0.87		
4	0.45	0.31	0.26 - 0.68		
5	0.42	0.31	0.12 - 0.71		
6	0.32	0.22	0.23 - 0.50		
7	0.64	0.48	0.35 - 1.31		
8	0.33	0.21	0.24 - 0.46		
LSC	0.32	0.26	0.21 - 0.51		

Date	Coliform Concentrations cfu·100 ml <sup>-1</sup> *		
1999	Site 1	Site 7	LSC, bottom
April 7**	160	90	0
April 22**	25	170	6
May 6**	120	118	2
June 3**	16	40	>200
June 17**	44	6	48
June 30	8	2	<2
July 15	<2	<2	<2
July 29	<10	<10	<10
August 16	<2	<2	4
August 26	<2	<2	<2
September 9	2	14	<2
September 23	<2	<2	2
October 1	8	62	-
October 7	<2	6	2
October 21	2	6	6
November 4	6	180	6

Table 6 (cont.):Coliform results, 1999.

\* cfu·100 ml<sup>-1</sup> – colony forming units per 100 ml \*\* total coliforms, results for all other days are fecal coliforms

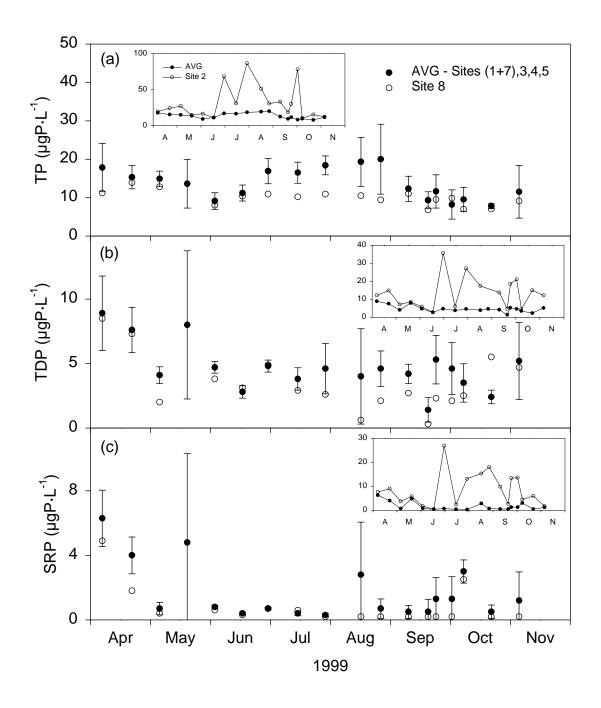


Figure 2 a-c. Time-series of parameter values for Cayuga Lake for 1999: (a) TP, (b) TDP, and (c) SRP. Insets present results for site 2. Results for the "shelf" are averages; the dimensions of the bars are  $\pm 1$  standard deviation.

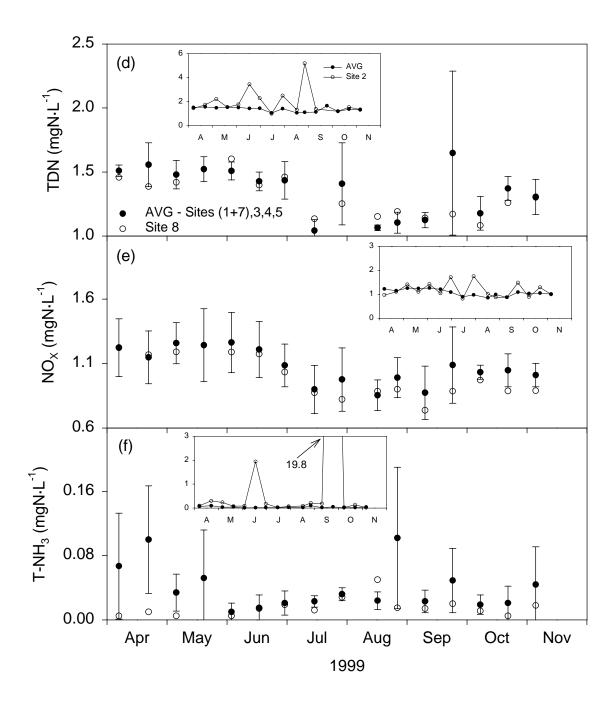


Figure 2 d-f. Time-series of parameter values for Cayuga Lake for 1999: (d) TDN, (e)  $NO_X$ , and (f) T-NH<sub>3</sub>. Insets present results for site 2. Results for the "shelf" are averages; the dimensions of the bars are  $\pm 1$  standard deviation.

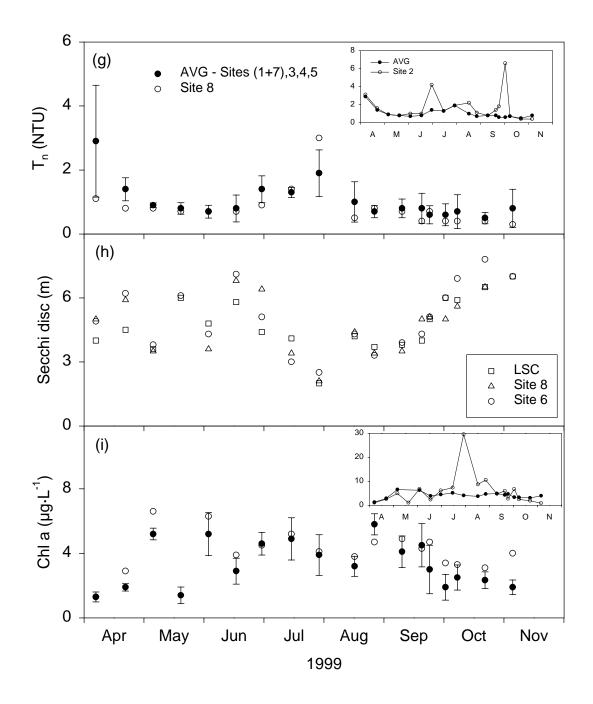


Figure 2 g-i. Time-series of parameter values for Cayuga Lake for 1999: (g)  $T_n$ , (h) Secchi disc, and (i) Chl a. Insets present results for site 2. Results for the "shelf" are averages; the dimensions of the bars are  $\pm 1$  standard deviation

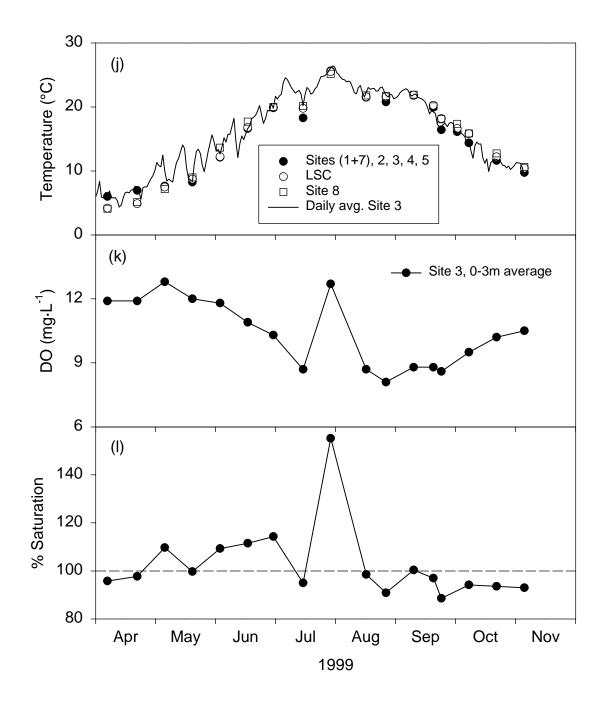


Figure 2 j-1. Time-series of parameter values for Cayuga Lake for 1999: (j) temperature, (k) DO, and (l) % saturation

of the observations for this site, and still allow resolution of temporal structure observed for other locations. The Secchi disc plot (Figure 2h) presents observations for the deeper sites (where observations were always < bottom depth); sites 6, LSC, and 8. Paired profiles of temperature, the beam attenuation coefficient (BAC), and fluorescence obtained at LSC on each of 16 monitoring dates in 1999 are also presented (Figure 3).

Noteworthy features of the 1999 observations include (see Figures 2 and 3, and Table 6):

- 1. site 2 was enriched in all three forms of phosphorus (TP, TDP, and SRP), total dissolved nitrogen (TDN) and ammonia (T-NH<sub>3</sub>), and had higher turbidity  $(T_n)$  compared to the other monitored sites.
- 2. the deep water sites (6, 8 and LSC) and site 4 had the lowest concentrations of total phosphorus (TP) and turbidity  $(T_n)$ , on average, of the monitored sites.
- 3. substantial spatial variations were observed within the southern end of the lake ("shelf"; exclusive of site 2) for most parameters included in the monitoring program.
- 4. variance of measures of trophic state (chlorophyll **a**, TP, and  $T_n$ ) was greater for the south shelf sites than for deep water sites (LSC and site 8).
- 5. clarity, as measured by Secchi disc transparency (SD) and turbidity  $(T_n)$ , was the lowest in the south shelf on the first monitoring day (early April).
- 6. a "whiting" event in late July caused a major reduction in clarity, particularly at the deep water sites (6, 8, LSC).
- 7. chloride concentrations were spatially and temporally uniform compared to other parameters measured in the monitoring program.
- 8. approximately two-thirds of the phosphorus was in a particulate form [e.g., (TP-TDP)/TP] over the monitored period (exclusive of site 2).
- 9. average concentrations of TP, TDP, SRP, and  $T-NH_3$  were higher in the eastern portion (sites 1 and 7), compared to other sites (4 and 5) in the southern end of the lake.
- 10. chlorophyll concentrations, on a monitoring period average basis, were relatively similar across the spatial bounds of sampling, though substantial spatial variability was observed on individual days.
- 11. temperatures were relatively uniform over the monitored bounds of the upper waters of the lake during the period of measurements.

- 12. dissolved oxygen concentrations greater than 150 % of saturation were observed on the south shelf in late July. This clear signature of an elevated level of primary production coincided with a "whiting" event, but no substantial change in chlorophyll **a** was observed. Dissolved oxygen concentrations were within 20% of saturation (equilibrium with the atmosphere) over the remainder of the study interval.
- 13. concentrations of coliforms were well below public health limits for contact recreation at monitored sites (LSC, and sites 1 and 7) on all monitored dates.
- 14. modest increases in BAC were observed near the bottom of the LSC site on several monitored dates, indicating the occurrence of small increases in turbidity with the approach to the bottom at this site.
- 15. fluorometry profiles indicate subsurface peaks in phytoplankton concentrations occurred at the LSC site during the stratification period of 1999. These peaks occurred above, or at, the maximum temperature (i.e., density) gradient, at depths  $\leq 20$  meters.

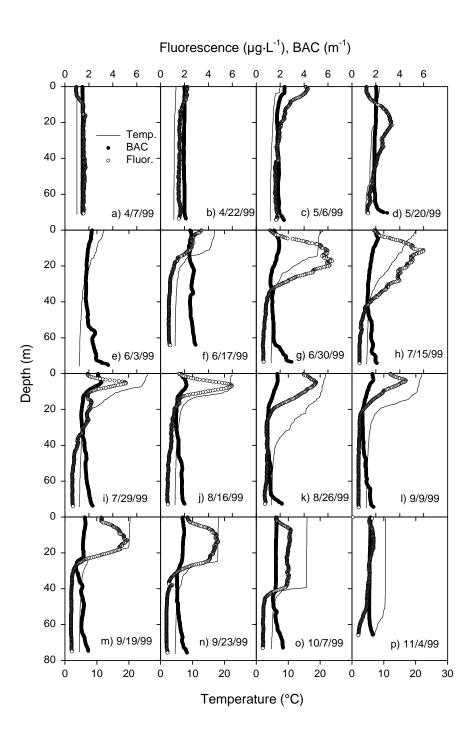


Figure 3. Vertical profiles of temperature, fluorescence, and beam attenuation coefficient for LSC site in 1999: (a) April 9, (b) April 22, (c) May 6, (d) May 20, (e) June 3, (f) June 17, (g) June 30, (h) July 15, (i) July 29, (j) August 16, (k) August 26, (l) September 9, (m) September 19, (n) September 23, (o) October 7, (p) November 4.

#### 4. Selected Topics

#### 4.1. Measures of Clarity

Secchi disc is a systematically flawed measure of clarity for much of the southern portion of Cayuga Lake monitored in this program because of its shallowness. Secchi disc transparency (SD) was frequently observed to extend beyond the lake depth at sites 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 and 7 during the 1999 study interval. Use of the population of SD measurements available (i.e., observations of SD < lake depth) results in systematic under-representation of clarity for each of these sites by eliminating the inclusion of deeper measurements. It may be prudent to consider an alternate representation of clarity that does not have these limitations. Turbidity (T<sub>n</sub>) represents a reasonable alternative, in systems where particles regulate clarity (Effler 1988).

The relationship between SD and  $T_n$  is evaluated in the inverse format (e.g., Effler 1988) in Figure 4. A linear relationship is expected (Effler 1988) and is manifested in the observations, particularly if the values for site 2 are omitted (Figure 4). Omission of site 2 values is justified based on the likely greater contribution of dissolved (light absorbing) components to SD within the plume of the WWTP. Based on these results (Figure 4),  $T_n$  should be considered as an alternate, and apparently more robust, measure of light penetration in shallow portions of the monitored area. The relationship between SD and  $T_n$  will continue to be evaluated in future years of this monitoring program.

#### 4.2. Inputs of Phosphorus to Southern End of Cayuga Lake

Phosphorus loading is an important driver of primary production in phosphorus limited lakes. It is therefore valuable to consider the relative magnitudes of the various sources of phosphorus that enter the southern end of Cayuga Lake. Monthly average and loading estimates are presented for the Ithaca and Cayuga Heights wastewater treatment plants (WWTPs) for 1999 (Table 7), based on flow and concentration data made available by these facilities. Discharge flows are measured continuously at these facilities. Concentrations of total phosphorus (TP) in the effluents are measured twice per week at the Ithaca WWTP and once per week at the Cayuga Heights WWTP. The estimates of the monthly loads (Table 7) are the product of the monthly average flows and concentrations. Other estimation techniques may result in modest differences in these loads. The rather wide differences in loading rate for the Ithaca WWTP (Table 7) in the study interval largely reflect variations in effluent concentration (all observations were at or below the permit requirement of 1 mg·L<sup>-1</sup>).

Estimates of monthly tributary phosphorus loading presented in the **Draft Environmental Impact Statement** for the LSC facility, for the combined inputs of Fall Creek and Cayuga Inlet, for the May – October interval are included for reference in

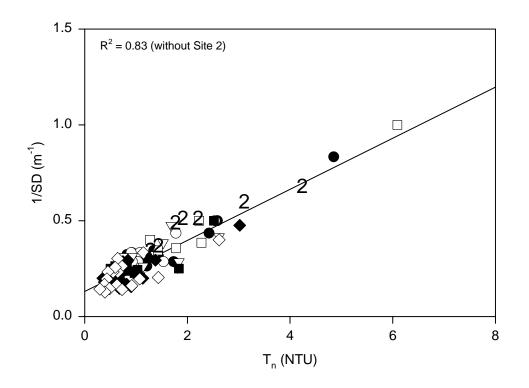


Figure 4. Evaluation of the relationship between Secchi disc transparency (SD) and turbidity in the southern end of Cayuga Lake.

Table 7. These were developed for what was described in that document as an "average hydrologic year". The estimates were based on historic data for these two tributaries. Tributary loads can vary substantially year-to-year, based on natural variations in runoff. Further, the tributary phosphorus loads of Table 7 were not for TP, but rather total soluble phosphorus (see Bouldin (1975) for analytical protocols), to better represent the potential for these inputs to support plant growth.

Month	Ithaca WWTP* (kg·d <sup>-1</sup> )	Cayuga Heights WWTP <sup>+</sup> (kg·d <sup>-1</sup> )	Tributary† (kg·d <sup>-1</sup> )
May	19.7	3.7	29.0
June	9.1	4.3	15.8
July	11.4	2.6	8.8
August	12.5	1.5	6.0
September	20.0	1.8	7.5
October	9.4	1.7	13.1
Mean	13.7	2.6	13.3

**Table 7:** Estimates of monthly external loads of phosphorus to the southern portion of Cayuga Lake.

<sup>\*</sup> total phosphorus, from facility permit reporting; 1999

• total phosphorus, 1999; personal communication with Brent Cross, Village Engineer

<sup>†</sup> total soluble phosphorus, for average hydrologic year; from Draft Environmental Impact Statement, LSC Cornell University, 1997

#### 4.3. Variations in Runoff and Wind Speed

Meteorological conditions and coupled features of runoff have important effects on lake ecosystems. These conditions are not subject to management, but in fact demonstrate wide variations in many climates that can strongly modify measures of water quality (e.g., Auer and Effler 1989, Lam et al. 1987). Thus the effects of natural variations in these conditions can be mistaken for impacts of man's activities (e.g., pollution). The setting of the southern end of the lake, including the localized entry of tributary flows and its shallowness, may promote interpretive interferences with the measurements of total phosphorus (TP), Secchi disc transparency (SD), and turbidity  $(T_n)$ . These interferences are associated with potential influxes of non-phytoplankton particles that would diminish SD and increase T<sub>n</sub> and TP concentrations, features that could be misinterpreted as reflecting increases in phytoplankton concentrations. These influxes may be associated with external loads carried by the tributaries, particularly during runoff events, and internal loads associated with sediment resuspension, driven by wind events (e.g., Bloesch 1995). Thus natural variations in tributary flow and wind speed should be considered in evaluating seasonal and interannual differences in these parameters for the southern end of Cayuga Lake.

Runoff and wind conditions for the study period of 1999 are represented here by daily average flows measured in Fall Creek by USGS, and daily average wind speed, out of the north to northwest, measured by Cornell University (Figure 1). These conditions are placed in a historic perspective by comparison to available records. The record for Fall Creek is quite long, about 75 years; the wind data base reflects 16 years of measurements. Daily measurements of Fall Creek flow and wind speed for 1999 are compared to time-series of daily median values for the available records (Figure 5a and c). Additionally, monthly average flows for the study period are compared to quartiles for the period of record (Figure 5b). Winds out of the north to northwest have been delineated to identify intervals expected to drive the greatest turbulence, and thus resuspension, in the southern end of Cayuga Lake.

Two substantial short-term runoff events occurred in April, one just after the first sampling date and one just before the second sampling date (Figure 5a). The next significant runoff event occurred in September. Monthly average flows remained below the 25 percentile level from April through August (Figure 5b). Monthly average flows for September and October were near the long-term average (Figure 5b). The unusually low flows (i.e., drought) observed during the April – August interval of 1999 represent an extreme in climatic forcing conditions. Summer average TP concentrations for 1999 were extremely low compared to the long-term record (Table 8).

Major wind events (e.g., protracted intervals of high winds) did not occur over the study interval of 1999 (Figure 5c). However, winds were above average for extended periods from mid-July to early August and during mid-September. Wind velocities were distinctly above average on, or before, the monitoring days of mid-June, late June, mid-September and early October (Figure 5c).

#### 4.4 Limitations in Measures of Trophic State on the Shelf

Circumstantial scientific evidence, provided by the findings for 1999 (Figure 2), indicates that  $T_n$  and TP are systematically flawed indicators of the trophic state on the south shelf. In particular, substantial variations and increases in both parameters on the south shelf appear to be uncoupled at times from patterns and magnitudes of phytoplankton biomass. These features appear to be associated with greater contributions of non-phytoplankton particles to the measures of TP and  $T_n$  on the south shelf. There are at least four lines of circumstantial evidence supporting this position, based on the 1999 observations.

- 1. the highest  $T_n$  (Figure 2g) values reported over the study interval on the south shelf were observed after the major runoff event of early April (Figure 5a), at the start of the monitoring program. This suggests greater contributions of non-phytoplankton particles received in runoff to the measurements of  $T_n$ .
- 2. high  $T_n$  (Figure 2g) values were reported on the south shelf and at the deep water sites during the "whiting" event of late July. These increases in  $T_n$  were driven by increases in  $T_c$  (calcium carbonate turbidity; Figure 6) and were not coupled to increases in phytoplankton biomass.
- 3. the ratio of chlorophyll **a** to particulate P (PP) was often substantially lower on the south shelf than at the deep stations (Figure 7) suggesting greater contributions of non-phytoplankton particles to the PP pool at the southern end of the lake. Further, unlike the deep sites, the ratio was often below the range of values commonly associated with phytoplankton biomass (e.g., Bowie et al. 1985).
- 4. application of reasonable literature values of light scattering (e.g.,  $T_n$ ) per unit chlorophyll (e.g., Weidemann and Bannister 1986) to the chlorophyll **a** observations indicate that non-phytoplankton particles made greater contributions to  $T_n$  on the south shelf than in deep waters (Figure 8).

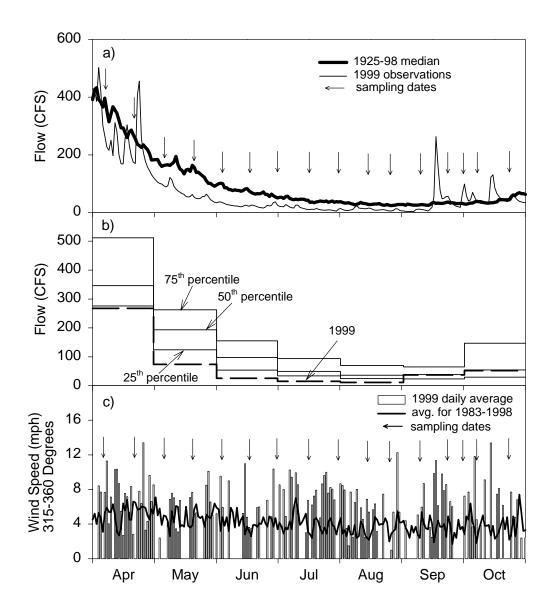


Figure 5. Runoff and wind conditions for the April – October interval of 1999: (a) daily average flows in Fall Creek compared to median daily values for the 1925 – 1998 record, (b) monthly flows in 1999 compared to quartile levels of flow for the 1925 – 1998 record, and (c) daily average wind speed.

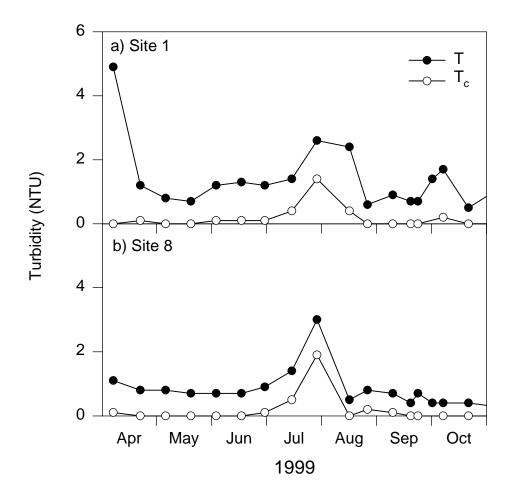


Figure 6. Comparison of the distributions of total turbidity (T) and calcium carbonate turbidity (T<sub>c</sub>) in the upper waters of Cayuga Lake in 1999: (a) site 1, (b) site 8.

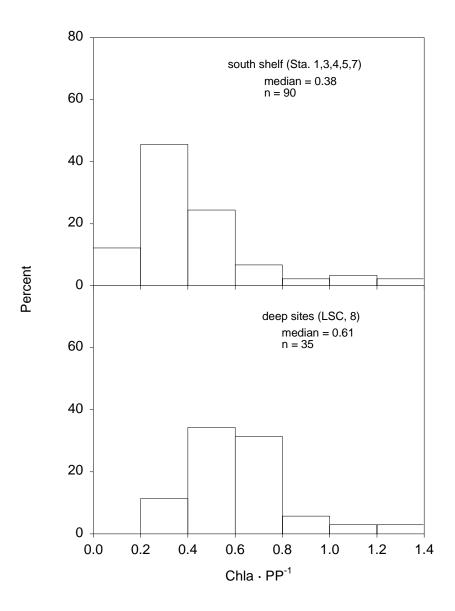


Figure 7. Comparison of distributions of the chlorophyll **a** (Chl **a**) to particulate P (PP) ratio values in Cayuga Lake in 1999: (a) south shelf sites, and (b) deep – water sites

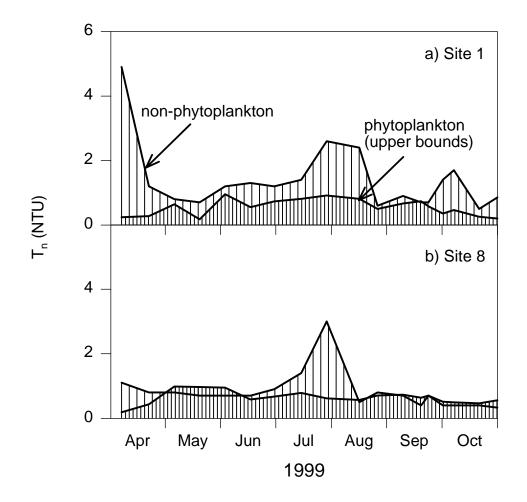


Figure 8. Comparisons of time-series for the April – October interval of 1999,  $T_n$  versus the upper bound contribution of phytoplankton : (a) site 1, and (b) site 8.

The 1999 results suggest substantial seasonal and interannual differences could occur for TP and  $T_n$  on the south shelf that are uncoupled from the trophic state issue. Additional measurements were made in 1999, beyond the scope of the LSC monitoring program, to more comprehensively resolve the constituents/processes regulating the SD and TP measurements. The protocols adopted for these additional analyses have been described in the scientific literature (Effler et al. 1998, Auer et al. 1998). The results of this additional program of measurements will be presented in a separate report.

#### 4.5 Continuation of the Long-Term Record of Water Quality/Eutrophication Indicators

Degradation can only be quantitatively documented if reliable measurements are available for historic conditions. Concentrations of TP and chlorophyll  $\mathbf{a}$  have been measured irregularly in the open waters of Cayuga Lake over the last three decades. Measurements made over the late 1960s to mid 1970s were made mostly as part of research conducted by Cornell University staff (Tables 8 and 9). These data were

collected mostly at deep water locations. No comprehensive data sets were found to represent conditions in the 1980s. Measurements were continued in the 1994 – 1996 interval as part of studies conducted to support preparation of the **Draft Environmental Impact Statement** for the LSC facility (Stearns and Wheler 1997). These included observations for both the southern shelf and deeper locations (Tables 8 and 9). The record will continue to be updated annually, for both a deep water location and the southern shelf, over the 1998 – 2002 period based on monitoring sponsored by Cornell University related to operation of the LSC facility.

Annual summer (June – August) average concentrations are presented for the lake's upper waters (Tables 8 and 9). Sources of data are included. Higher TP concentrations were observed on the southern shelf compared to deeper portions of the lake in 1994, 1995, 1996, 1998 and 1999 (Table 8). Concentrations of TP dropped sharply in 1999 for deep water locations and for sites on the southern shelf. Distinctly higher chlorophyll **a** concentrations were observed on the shelf in the summers of 1994 – 1996 compared to deeper water sites, however, the averages were similar in 1998 and 1999. The 1998 average does not include June observations. Summer average concentrations of TP and chlorophyll **a** for deep water sites are consistent with a mesotrophic trophic state classification (i.e., intermediate level of primary productivity; e.g., Chapra and Dobson 1981, Dobson et al. 1974, Vollenweider 1975).

Year	Total Phosphorus	(µg·L <sup>-1</sup> )	Source
	<b>Deep-Water Location(s)</b>	Southern Shelf	
$1968^{\Delta}$	20.2 (n = 19)	-	Peterson 1971
$1969^{\Delta}$	15.3 $(n = 22)$	-	Peterson 1971
$1970^{\Delta}$	14.0 $(n = 32)$	-	Peterson 1971
1972 <sup>x</sup>	18.8 $(n = 22)$	-	<b>USEPA 1974</b>
$1973^{\Delta}$	14.5 $(n = 88)$	-	Godfrey 1973
1994 <sup>*,⊕</sup>	21.7	30.8	Stearns and Wheler 1997
$1995^{*,\otimes}$	16.5	23.7	Stearns and Wheler 1997
1996 <sup>*,⊗</sup>	12.4	21.7	Stearns and Wheler 1997
$1998^{+}$	14.7	26.5	UFI 1999
$1999^{++}$	10.6	15.9	this report

 Table 8: Summer (June - August) average total phosphorus (TP) concentrations for the upper waters of Cayuga Lake.

 $^{\Delta}$  Myers Point

<sup>x</sup> one sample, multiple sites and depths

\* averages of 0 m observations

<sup>+</sup> July – August, 0 - 4 m composite samples

 $^{++}$  0 – 4 m composite samples

 $^{\oplus}$  site in 62 m of water, south of Myers Point, surface samples

 $^{\otimes}$  site in 70 m of water, south of Myers Point, surface samples

Year	Chlorophyll a (	μg·L <sup>-1</sup> )	Source
	Deep-Water Location(s)	Southern Shelf	
1966*	2.8	-	Hamilton 1969
1968**	4.3	-	Wright 1969
1968 – 1970	4.8	-	Oglesby 1978
1970	3.7	-	Trautmann et al. 1982
1972	10.3	-	Olgelsby 1978
1973	8.2	-	Trautmann et al. 1982
1974	8.1	-	Trautmann et al. 1982
1977	8.6	-	Trautmann et al. 1982
1978	6.5	-	Trautmann et al. 1982
1994	5.5	8.9	Stearns and Wheler 1997
1995	4.8	6.8	Stearns and Wheler 1997
1996	3.4	7.6	Stearns and Wheler 1997
1998 <sup>+</sup>	4.8	5.7	UFI 1999
1999	4.7	4.4	this report

**Table 9:** Summer (June – August) average chlorophyll **a** (Chl **a**) concentrations for the<br/>upper waters of Cayuga Lake

\* Hamilton 1969, 15 dates

\*\* Wright 1969, 4 dates – 7 to 9 longitudinal sites

<sup>+</sup> July – August

#### 4.6 Comparison to Other Finger Lakes: Chlorophyll a

Synoptic surveys of all eleven Finger Lakes have been conducted in recent years (NYSDEC, with collaboration of the Upstate Freshwater Institute) that support comparison of selected conditions among these lakes. Chlorophyll **a** data (Callinan et al., 2000) collected from those surveys are reviewed here, as this may be the most representative indicator of trophic state of the measurements made. Samples (n=15 to 16) were collected in these surveys over the spring to early fall interval of 1996 through 1999. The sample site for Cayuga Lake for this program coincides approximately with site 8 of the LSC monitoring program (Figure 1b).

There is not universal agreement on the concentrations of chlorophyll **a** that demarcate trophic states. A summer average value of 2.0  $\mu$ g L<sup>-1</sup> has been used as the demarcation between oligotrophy and mesotrophy (Dobson et al. 1974, National Academy of Science 1972). There is less agreement for the demarcation between mesotrophy and eutrophy; the boundary summer average value reported from different sources (e.g., Dobson et al. 1974, National Academy of Science 1972, Great Lakes Group 1976) ranges from 8 to 12  $\mu$ g L<sup>-1</sup>.

The average chlorophyll **a** concentration for Cayuga Lake for this synoptic program  $(3.5 \ \mu g \ L^{-1})$  is compared to the values measured in the other ten Finger Lakes in Figure 9. These data support Cayuga Lake's classification as mesotrophic. Six of the

lakes had average concentrations lower than observed for Cayuga Lake (Figure 9). Two of the lakes, Canandaigua and Skaneateles, had concentrations consistent with oligotrophy, while two (Conesus and Honeoye) bordered on eutrophy (Figure 9).

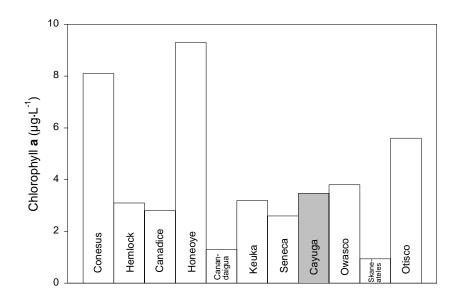


Figure 9. Comparison of average chlorophyll **a** concentrations for the spring-early fall interval for the eleven Finger Lakes, based on samples (n=15 to 16) collected over the 1996 through 1999 interval (data from Callinan et al. 2000).

#### 4.7 Interannual Comparisons

Interannual differences in water quality can occur as a result of both human interventions and natural variations in climate. Because of its location and shallowness, water quality on the south shelf can vary substantially from year to year as a result of changes in forcing conditions. Conditions for runoff, wind speed and TP loading from the Ithaca WWTP are compared here for 1998 and 1999 (Figure 10). Daily average flows measured in Fall Creek (Figure 10a) were distinctly lower over the April – August interval of 1999. Major runoff events occurred in April and May of 1998, and flows were elevated for much of June and July. Flows remained low during the May – August interval of 1999; no significant runoff events occurred from late April through mid-September.

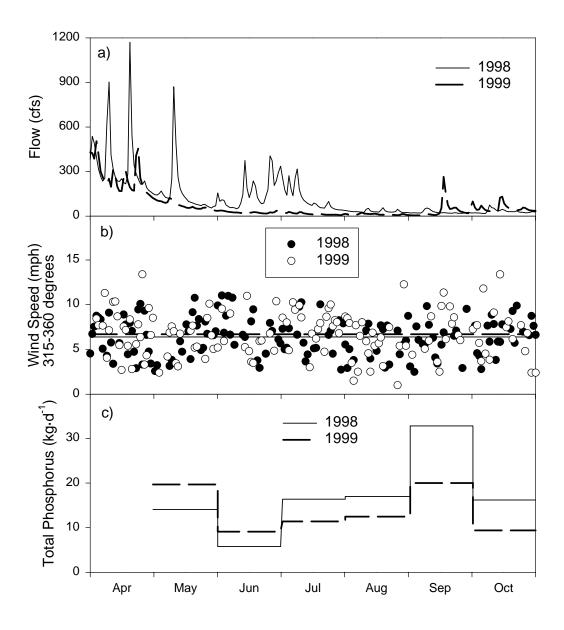


Figure 10. Comparison of 1998 and 1999 conditions for runoff, wind and total phosphorus loading for the April – October interval: a) daily average flows in Fall Creek, b) daily average wind speed, and c) monthly loads of total phosphorus from the Ithaca WWTP.

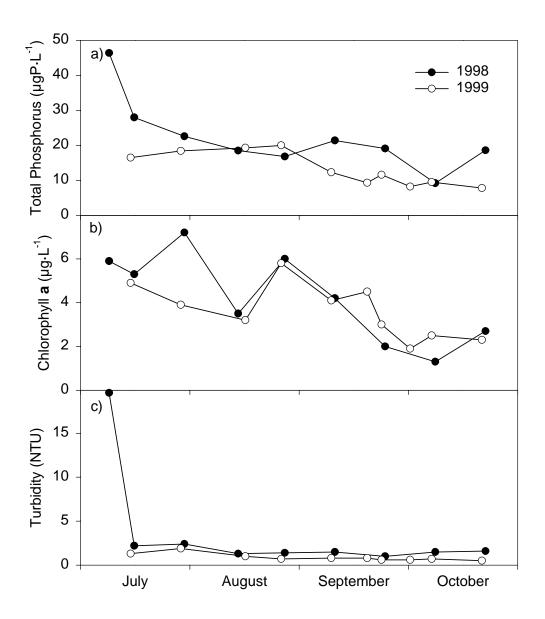


Figure 11. Comparison of 1998 and 1999 conditions for total phosphorus, chlorophyll **a**, and turbidity on the south shelf of Cayuga Lake for the April – October interval: a) total phosphorus, b) chlorophyll **a**, and c) turbidity.

Daily average wind speeds, out of the north to northwest, for 1998 and 1999 are presented in Figure 10b. The April – October average was slightly greater in 1999 (dashed line) than in 1998 (solid line). Wind speeds greater than 10 mph were more common in 1999 than in 1998, particularly during the early spring and fall.

Estimates of monthly average total phosphorus (TP) loads for the Ithaca WWTP are compared here for 1998 and 1999 (Figure 10c). Compared to the 1998 TP loads, the 1999 loads were greater during May and June and lower from July to October. Total phosphorus loads were less variable in 1999.

Time series for TP, chlorophyll  $\mathbf{a}$ , and  $T_n$  are presented for the July – October interval of 1998 and 1999 (Figure 11). Plotted values, the mean of observations for sites 3, 4, 5, and the average of sites 1 and 7, are intended to represent conditions on the south shelf. Concentrations of TP were generally higher in 1998, particularly on the first sampling date in July (Figure 11a). Chlorophyll **a** concentrations were roughly equal for the two study years (Figure 11b). Turbidity was extremely high on the first day of sampling in 1998 (Figure 11c) and remained slightly higher for the conditions of 1998 throughout the study period. T-tests were performed to determine whether or not the July - October means for 1998 are significantly larger ( $\alpha = 0.05$ ) than the 1999 values (Table 10). T-tests were also conducted for deep water sites using the mean of observations for site 8 and LSC to represent conditions in the main lake (Table 11). All t-tests were performed on log transformed data. Results from the t-tests indicate that the July -October means for TP and  $T_n$  were significantly higher in 1998, both on the south shelf (Table 10) and at deep water locations (Table 11). Although mean chlorophyll a concentrations were larger in 1998, the differences were not significant (Table 10, 11). Means were calculated and t-tests performed without the first observation (i.e., runoff event) of 1998 (Table 10, 11; results in parentheses) to determine if the significant differences observed for TP and T<sub>n</sub> were a product of this one observation. Means for the July – October interval of 1998 decreased for the south shelf and deep water locations (Table 10, 11). However, the means for TP and  $T_n$  remained significantly greater for the conditions of 1998.

	July - Oct	ober mean	
South shelf <sup>†</sup>	1998 (n = 9)	1999 (n = 10)	p-value
TP ( $\mu g P \cdot L^{-1}$ )	22.3 (19.3)*	13.3	0.008 (0.014)*
Chl <b>a</b> ( $\mu g \cdot L^{-1}$ )	4.2 (4.0)*	3.6	0.359 (0.460)*
T <sub>n</sub> (NTU)	3.6 (1.6)*	0.9	0.008 (0.001)*

 Table 10: July – October means and associated p-values from t-tests performed on 1998 and 1999 south shelf data.

\* values determined without first observation of 1998

**†** mean of sites 3, 4, 5, and the average of 1 and 7

 Table 11: July – October means and associated p-values from t-tests performed on 1998 and 1999 main lake data.

	July - Oct	ober mean	
Main lake†	1998 (n = 9)	1999 (n = 10)	p-value
TP ( $\mu g P \cdot L^{-1}$ )	14.3 (13.2)*	9.4	0.002 (0.003)*
Chl <b>a</b> ( $\mu g \cdot L^{-1}$ )	4.5 (4.3)*	4.2	0.356 (0.460)*
T <sub>n</sub> (NTU)	1.6 (1.2)*	0.8	0.019 (0.037)*

\* values determined without first observation of 1998

**†** mean of sites 8 and LSC

#### 5. Summary

This report presents the design and salient findings of a water quality monitoring study conducted for Cayuga Lake in 1999, sponsored by Cornell University. This study was the second of a monitoring program that will be conducted annually, at least through 2002. The primary goal is to support long-term records of trophic state indicators, including concentrations of total phosphorus (TP) and chlorophyll and Secchi disc transparency (SD), and other measures of water quality, for the southern shallow portion of Cayuga Lake ("south shelf"). The program design more than meets the permit obligations associated with the Lake Source Cooling (LSC) facility; e.g., including additional parameters and sites (nine, including one representative of the "main" lake). A report of this type will be prepared each year, that will describe seasonal and spatial patterns, noteworthy phenomena, and evaluate the extent to which changes occur between years.

A number of noteworthy findings are reported here for 1999 that have value for lake management. For example, Secchi disc is not a valid measure of clarity on the south shelf as the value is often greater than the lake depth. Turbidity ( $T_n$ ) is demonstrated to be a viable surrogate measure of this feature of water quality. Features of the data collected provide substantial support for the position that  $T_n$  and TP are systematically flawed indicators of the trophic state on the south shelf compared to the open waters of the lake, because of the greater contribution of non-phytoplankton particles to these measures on the south shelf. The use of clarity (e.g.,  $T_n$ ) as a measure of trophic state was compromised on a lake-wide basis in 1999 by the occurrence of a "whiting" event that caused a major increase in  $T_n$ , in the absence of an increase in chlorophyll **a**. Levels of TP and  $T_n$  were significantly higher over the July – October interval of 1998 than on 1999, both on the south shelf and at deep water locations, but the differences for chlorophyll **a** were not significant.

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# Appendix I

**Data Listing** 

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Date:	4/7/99	4/22/99	5/6/99	5/20/99	6/3/99	6/17/99	6/30/99	7/15/99	7/29/99	8/16/99	8/26/99	9/9/99	9/19/99	9/23/99	10/1/99	10/7/99	10/21/99	11/4/99
Site:																		
1	27.0	15.6	14.2	21.4	10.7	13.4	16.4	12.5	16.9	26.6	11.4	14.4	9.1	11.8	14.0	13.5	8.1	18.7
2	19.5	24.2	27.0	14.6	16.5	11.0	68.2	30.8	86.4	51.1	30.6	33.0	18.3	29.9	77.9	10.3	15.3	12.2
3	18.9	18.7	17.5	9.9	10.7	11.3	19.1	17.0	19.0	18.7	22.1	15.6	7.9	15.6	5.6	8.4	8.0	9.2
4	12.3	11.5	12.6	11.6	6.1	9.5	13.9	18.5	14.8	12.5	32.0	7.8	7.1	6.1	6.5	8.2	7.3	6.0
5	13.7	14.8	14.6	9.7	9.0	10.0	14.2	17.9	19.8	18.1	13.7	13.0	12.0	10.4	6.8	7.2	7.3	9.3
6	12.6	13.5	13.2	8.9	5.9	8.8	13.5	10.6	13.8	11.7	12.3	10.1	8.4	9.8	8.2	8.3	6.5	6.8
7	25.3	17.1	15.4	24.5	10.7	15.0	24.1	12.4	23.2	29.1	13.1	11.0	11.2	17.2	13.7	14.8	9.0	24.3
8	11.2	13.9	12.8	-	8.0	10.4	10.9	10.2	10.9	10.5	9.4	11.0	6.8	9.5	9.8	7.0	7.0	9.1
LSC	13.5	10.7	13.0	7.5	9.9	8.8	12.5	10.9	10.2	11.5	12.0	10.7	9.7	7.2	6.8	9.8	6.3	7.9
LSCB	11.7	12.7	13.5	12.0	10.1	21.4	12.2	10.1	12.1	11.1	8.7	11.1	9.4	11.7	-	8.0	9.6	12.2

### Total Phosphorus (µgP·L<sup>-1</sup>)

# Total Dissolved Phosphorus (µgP·L<sup>-1</sup>)

Date:	4/7/99	4/22/99	5/6/99	5/20/99	6/3/99	6/17/99	6/30/99	7/15/99	7/29/99	8/16/99	8/26/99	9/9/99	9/19/99	9/23/99	10/1/99	10/7/99	10/21/99	11/4/99
Site:																		
1	16.9	7.4	3.8	15.2	4.5	3.2	4.4	3.2	4.2	2.1	3.1	5.0	2.5	5.1	3.8	5.6	3.0	12.3
2	12.2	14.9	7.2	8.5	5.9	2.8	35.7	6.1	27.1	17.4	-	13.8	4.8	18.6	21.1	4.5	15.0	12.2
3	10.0	10.1	3.8	5.9	4.5	2.5	5.4	5.0	7.4	2.9	4.4	4.6	1.1	5.0	5.5	2.0	2.5	2.9
4	5.2	6.0	4.0	6.1	5.3	2.3	4.4	3.9	2.9	1.6	6.5	3.5	0.8	5.4	2.5	3.4	1.8	5.6
5	8.2	7.0	5.0	3.7	4.6	3.0	4.5	3.1	3.8	2.1	3.2	3.6	0.9	3.1	3.3	3.1	2.2	2.9
6	8.0	6.0	2.9	2.6	3.6	2.5	3.9	2.6	2.9	1.3	4.3	10.0	0.3	3.0	2.1	4.5	2.2	5.5
7	7.1	7.5	3.2	17.8	4.0	3.5	5.5	3.2	4.5	16.9	5.7	5.0	3.1	10.3	10.0	5.5	3.2	6.1
8	8.5	7.3	2.0	-	3.8	3.1	4.9	2.9	2.6	0.6	2.1	2.7	0.3	2.3	2.1	2.5	5.5	4.7
LSC	8.8	5.3	1.9	3.0	6.0	3.8	2.5	3.4	5.2	0.9	3.1	5.3	0.3	3.5	3.8	2.3	6.0	2.6
LSCB	7.4	11.7	7.1	7.2	-	10.1	5.7	6.4	6.6	8.0	4.0	8.3	6.3	7.3	-	5.8	5.2	8.1

# Soluble Reactive Phosphorus (µgP·L<sup>-1</sup>)

Date:	4/7/99	4/22/99	5/6/99	5/20/99	6/3/99	6/17/99	6/30/99	7/15/99	7/29/99	8/16/99	8/26/99	9/9/99	9/19/99	9/23/99	10/1/99	10/7/99	10/21/99	11/4/99
Site:																		
1	12.0	3.6	0.7	11.7	0.7	0.5	0.9	0.2	0.3	0.9	0.2	1.1	1.2	1.2	1.1	1.8	1.1	5.0
2	7.6	9.0	3.7	5.8	1.7	0.4	26.9	2.4	13.1	15.3	18.0	9.8	2.6	13.4	13.6	4.5	6.0	1.7
3	7.6	5.7	1.3	2.6	0.8	0.3	0.6	0.3	0.3	2.6	0.2	0.6	0.2	1.1	1.7	2.0	0.5	0.4
4	4.5	3.2	0.5	3.1	0.7	0.5	0.8	0.3	0.2	1.0	1.3	0.3	0.2	0.7	0.2	3.4	0.2	0.4
5	5.1	3.5	0.6	0.5	0.7	0.4	0.7	0.6	0.4	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	3.1	0.2	0.2
6	5.4	2.8	0.4	0.4	0.6	0.4	0.5	0.9	0.2	1.3	0.2	2.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2
7	4.0	3.8	0.5	14.0	1.1	0.3	0.5	0.6	0.3	14.0	1.9	1.1	2.2	5.1	5.0	5.5	1.0	2.7
8	4.9	1.8	0.4	-	0.6	0.3	0.7	0.6	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	2.5	0.2	0.2
LSC	6.1	3.0	0.7	0.3	0.9	0.5	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.8	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	2.3	0.2	0.2
LSCB	5.4	4.6	4.0	4.4	4.5	6.5	4.0	3.7	5.2	6.1	1.4	3.8	6.3	7.2	-	5.8	5.2	5.5

## Total Dissolved Nitrogen (mgN·L<sup>-1</sup>)

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Date:	4/7/99	4/22/99	5/6/99	5/20/99	6/3/99	6/17/99	6/30/99	7/15/99	7/29/99	8/16/99	8/26/99	9/9/99	9/19/99	9/23/99	10/1/99	10/7/99	10/21/99	11/4/99
Site:																		
1	1.55	1.44	1.45	1.52	1.42	1.49	1.23	1.04	1.05	1.00	1.03	1.09	-	1.10	-	1.22	1.38	1.29
2	1.44	1.72	2.21	1.53	1.76	3.44	2.27	0.99	2.50	1.32	5.19	1.38	-	-	-	1.20	1.52	1.34
3	1.45	1.47	1.54	1.45	1.48	1.36	1.59	0.99	1.55	1.08	1.09	1.16	-	2.59	-	1.18	1.44	1.31
4	1.52	1.81	1.59	1.50	1.48	1.39	1.30	1.00	1.11	1.07	1.09	1.11	-	1.27	-	1.22	1.44	1.30
5	1.51	1.51	1.34	1.47	1.47	1.43	1.53	1.01	1.80	1.08	1.02	1.05	-	1.23	-	1.31	1.37	1.48
6	1.55	1.41	1.39	1.69	1.47	1.52	1.48	1.12	1.00	1.11	1.11	1.18	-	1.22	-	1.25	1.40	1.58
7	1.15	1.48	1.64	1.67	1.61	1.53	1.33	1.17	1.18	1.03	1.22	1.18	-	1.51	-	1.00	1.24	1.14
8	1.46	1.39	1.42	-	1.60	1.40	1.46	1.13	1.25	1.15	1.19	1.14	-	1.17	-	1.08	1.26	1.30
LSC	1.42	1.55	1.39	1.50	1.53	1.45	1.36	1.12	1.39	1.13	1.07	1.22	-	1.18	-	1.14	1.25	1.25
LSCB	1.45	1.60	1.46	1.64	1.69	1.67	1.41	1.42	1.51	1.73	1.22	1.36	-	1.46	-	1.48	1.43	1.40

## Nitrate + Nitrite Nitrogen (mgN·L<sup>-1</sup>)

Date:	4/7/99	4/22/99	5/6/99	5/20/99	6/3/99	6/17/99	6/30/99	7/15/99	7/29/99	8/16/99	8/26/99	9/9/99	9/19/99	9/23/99	10/1/99	10/7/99	10/21/99	11/4/99
Site:																		
1	0.90	1.08	1.17	1.05	1.13	1.23	0.98	0.90	0.86	0.78	0.91	0.71	-	0.86	-	1.00	0.92	0.85
2	0.97	1.10	1.41	1.10	1.42	1.04	1.71	0.82	1.75	1.01	0.88	0.88	-	1.48	-	0.89	1.29	0.99
3	1.05	1.00	1.09	1.11	1.16	1.15	1.06	0.76	1.20	0.81	0.90	0.79	-	1.09	-	0.98	0.99	0.94
4	1.14	1.14	1.32	1.11	1.12	1.12	0.95	0.81	0.79	0.80	0.89	0.76	-	0.87	-	1.05	0.96	0.96
5	1.14	1.02	1.18	1.08	1.16	1.04	1.00	0.86	0.73	0.78	0.96	0.76	-	0.88	-	1.10	0.99	1.01
6	1.18	1.10	1.15	1.14	1.15	1.18	1.07	0.88	0.72	0.91	0.88	0.68	-	0.81	-	1.05	0.94	0.98
7	0.83	1.07	1.12	1.07	1.22	1.13	0.91	0.91	0.78	0.73	0.87	0.74	-	0.90	-	0.80	0.85	0.81
8	1.22	1.17	1.19	-	1.19	1.17	1.03	0.87	0.82	0.88	0.90	0.74	-	0.89	-	0.97	0.89	0.89
LSC	1.17	1.19	1.18	1.02	1.23	0.99	1.03	0.87	0.84	0.90	0.88	0.76	-	0.87	-	0.98	0.90	0.92
LSCB	1.20	1.19	1.24	1.12	1.42	1.44	1.26	1.12	1.22	1.15	1.35	1.12	-	1.15	-	1.32	1.04	1.03

# Ammonia Nitrogen (mgN·L<sup>-1</sup>)

Date:	4/7/99	4/22/99	5/6/99	5/20/99	6/3/99	6/17/99	6/30/99	7/15/99	7/29/99	8/16/99	8/26/99	9/9/99	9/19/99	9/23/99	10/1/99	10/7/99	10/21/99	11/4/99
Site:																		
1	0.234	0.090	0.029	0.121	0.024	0.039	0.032	0.013	0.039	0.036	0.016	0.034	-	0.028	-	0.040	0.052	0.141
2	0.099	0.299	0.235	0.078	0.090	1.935	0.180	0.027	0.069	0.086	0.207	0.184	-	19.815	-	0.025	0.134	0.019
3	0.089	0.182	0.061	0.027	0.005	0.013	0.016	0.031	0.026	0.016	0.221	0.019	-	0.044	-	0.005	0.014	0.019
4	0.014	0.018	0.005	0.024	0.005	0.005	0.011	0.018	0.024	0.018	0.045	0.013	-	0.022	-	0.026	0.012	0.021
5	0.014	0.090	0.033	0.017	0.005	0.005	0.013	0.027	0.038	0.022	0.029	0.016	-	0.022	-	0.013	0.005	0.023
6	0.011	0.041	0.010	0.026	0.005	0.005	0.015	0.017	0.026	0.066	0.016	0.013	-	0.019	-	0.013	0.005	0.039
7	0.067	0.129	0.043	0.162	0.029	0.037	0.055	0.021	0.039	0.047	0.209	0.053	-	0.185	-	0.022	0.051	0.087
8	0.005	0.010	0.005		0.005	0.014	0.019	0.012	0.028	0.050	0.015	0.014	-	0.020	-	0.011	0.005	0.018
LSC	0.005	0.012	0.005	0.035	0.005	0.005	0.013	0.005	0.028	0.019	0.013	0.016	-	0.023	-	0.015	0.005	0.016
LSCB	0.005	0.012	0.005	0.023	0.005	0.005	0.014	0.005	0.029	0.014	0.013	0.011	-	0.005	-	0.011	0.005	0.022

### Chlorophyll a (µg·L<sup>-1</sup>)

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Date:	4/7/99	4/22/99	5/6/99	5/20/99	6/3/99	6/17/99	6/30/99	7/15/99	7/29/99	8/16/99	8/26/99	9/9/99	9/19/99	9/23/99	10/1/99	10/7/99	10/21/99	11/4/99
Site:																		
1	1.6	1.8	4.3	1.2	6.4	3.7	4.9	5.4	6.1	5.4	3.3	4.4	4.9	3.9	2.4	3.1	1.7	1.2
2	1.1	2.6	5.0	1.1	6.8	2.4	6.2	7.4	29.6	8.7	10.6	4.8	6.0	2.8	6.8	2.5	1.9	0.9
3	1.2	1.7	5.6	1.0	7.0	2.6	4.0	3.3	2.9	3.4	6.3	5.5	4.9	4.2	0.9	3.0	2.1	1.3
4	1.1	1.7	5.3	1.1	3.9	1.9	4.8	6.3	2.7	2.3	5.0	3.4	3.9	0.9	2.1	1.4	2.8	2.3
5	1.1	2.1	5.3	2.1	4.8	3.5	4.0	5.6	4.9	3.6	5.5	3.6	6.2	4.0	2.9	2.8	2.8	2.3
6	1.5	1.9	5.8	2.3	3.9	3.8	4.2	5.1	5.7	5.9	6.0	5.1	4.1	4.9	3.2	3.1	3.2	2.2
7	1.9	2.1	5.3	1.7	4.1	3.5	6.1	3.4	4.0	1.6	9.4	2.9	1.4	2.0	1.5	3.1	1.7	2.3
8	1.3	2.9	6.6	-	6.3	3.9	4.5	5.2	4.1	3.8	4.7	4.9	4.3	4.7	3.4	3.3	3.1	4.0
LSC	1.3	2.1	6.3	2.9	6.4	3.8	3.9	4.9	2.6	5.4	4.7	4.9	5.7	4.9	3.3	3.3	2.8	2.6
LSCB	1.2	1.2	1.6	1.1	1.1	0.8	1.3	0.6	1.0	0.2	0.7	0.2	0.2	0.5	-	0.4	0.5	0.6

### Chloride (mg·L<sup>-1</sup>)

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Date:	4/7/99	4/22/99	5/6/99	5/20/99	6/3/99	6/17/99	6/30/99	7/15/99	7/29/99	8/16/99	8/26/99	9/9/99	9/19/99	9/23/99	10/1/99	10/7/99	10/21/99	11/4/99
Site:																		
1	45.9	40.2	41.5	40.7	41.6	40.9	40.9	42.6	39.5	42.7	42.6	43.1	43.3	43.9	42.5	42.2	42.3	40.7
2	40.3	40.2	42.4	41.4	40.9	42.0	47.7	41.6	47.3	45.3	42.9	44.1	43.0	43.9	46.7	42.3	43.3	41.3
3	44.8	39.9	42.0	40.5	40.9	41.1	41.2	40.7	41.5	42.0	43.5	42.4	43.0	43.9	41.0	41.4	42.9	41.3
4	50.9	44.6	42.1	40.5	41.3	41.1	42.0	42.0	39.5	41.1	42.5	42.4	43.0	44.3	41.4	41.4	42.0	41.3
5	46.8	39.3	41.5	41.2	40.4	40.6	41.6	41.6	39.0	40.2	43.3	43.3	43.3	44.4	41.4	41.9	42.0	41.7
6	48.0	41.1	41.5	41.4	41.0	41.5	40.3	39.0	40.3	41.1	42.5	43.3	43.4	41.2	41.4	42.0	40.0	41.7
7	45.1	41.2	42.6	41.4	41.7	42.1	41.6	42.5	40.1	44.1	42.0	44.1	43.0	41.2	41.4	40.6	42.4	41.3
8	44.3	40.6	42.4	41.3	40.9	41.1	41.5	42.5	39.9	42.0	43.3	42.4	43.9	42.1	41.4	41.9	42.9	41.3
LSC	40.0	42.0	42.9	41.8	41.7	42.0	40.3	40.4	40.3	41.1	41.6	42.0	43.0	41.7	41.4	41.4	42.4	42.2
LSCB	47.3	42.9	42.4	41.4	41.7	42.4	41.6	40.3	39.0	40.2	41.2	41.5	42.5	40.8	-	40.6	41.1	41.3

### **Turbidity (NTU)**

Date:	4/7/99	4/22/99	5/6/99	5/20/99	6/3/99	6/17/99	6/30/99	7/15/99	7/29/99	8/16/99	8/26/99	9/9/99	9/19/99	9/23/99	10/1/99	10/7/99	10/21/99	11/4/99
Site:																		
1	4.9	1.2	0.8	0.7	1.2	1.3	1.2	1.4	2.6	2.4	0.6	0.9	0.7	0.7	1.4	1.7	0.5	1.0
2	3.1	1.6	0.9	0.8	1.0	1.0	4.2	1.3	1.9	2.2	1.1	0.8	1.4	1.8	6.6	0.7	0.4	0.4
3	2.5	1.8	0.9	0.6	0.8	0.4	1.8	1.1	0.9	0.7	1.0	1.0	1.5	0.9	0.3	0.4	0.5	0.4
4	1.7	0.9	0.8	1.0	0.5	0.5	1.0	1.4	1.8	0.3	0.7	0.6	0.5	0.3	0.3	0.4	0.3	0.3
5	1.8	1.5	0.9	0.6	0.7	0.7	1.1	1.4	2.6	1.7	0.7	1.1	0.7	0.6	0.7	0.6	0.3	0.8
6	1.8	1.0	0.8	0.6	0.5	0.5	1.0	1.0	2.5	0.8	0.7	0.6	0.5	0.7	0.5	0.4	0.4	0.4
7	6.1	1.4	0.9	0.9	0.7	1.4	2.2	1.2	1.8	0.4	0.4	0.3	0.7	0.8	0.5	1.3	0.9	2.3
8	1.1	0.8	0.8	0.7	0.7	0.7	0.9	1.4	3.0	0.5	0.8	0.7	0.4	0.7	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.3
LSC	1.4	0.9	0.7	0.6	0.6	0.7	1.1	1.1	2.6	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.5	0.4	0.4	0.5	0.4	0.3
LSCB	1.4	1.3	1.3	1.1	2.3	4.1	2.4	1.5	2.3	1.4	1.6	1.6	1.2	1.3	-	1.3	1.3	1.7

### CaCO<sub>3</sub> Turbidity (NTU)

Date:	4/7/99	4/22/99	5/6/99	5/20/99	6/3/99	6/17/99	6/30/99	7/15/99	7/29/99	8/16/99	8/26/99	9/9/99	9/19/99	9/23/99	10/1/99	10/7/99	10/21/99	11/4/99
	4/1/22	4/22/99	5/0/99	5/20/99	0/3/99	0/17/99	0/30/99	1/13/99	1/23/33	0/10/99	0/20/99	7/7/77	3/13/33	3/23/33	10/1/99	10/7/99	10/21/99	11/4/99
Site:																		
1	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.4	1.4	0.4	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	-	0.2	0.0	0.0
2	0.4	0.1	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.3	0.1	0.2	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	-	0.0	0.0	0.0
3	0.1	0.3	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.8	0.0	-	0.0	0.0	0.0
4	0.2	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.2	0.8	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	-	0.0	0.0	0.0
5	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.2	1.2	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	-	0.0	0.0	0.1
6	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.2	1.4	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	-	0.0	0.0	0.0
7	2.1	0.2	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.6	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	-	0.0	0.0	0.1
8	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.5	1.9	0.0	0.2	0.1	0.0	0.0	-	0.0	0.0	0.0
LSC	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.4	1.5	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0		0.0	0.0	0.0
LSCB	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.3	0.3	0.2	0.0	0.1	0.1	0.3	0.3	0.1	0.0	-	0.1	0.1	0.2

# Alkalinity (mg CaCO<sub>3</sub>·L<sup>-1</sup>)

Date:	4/7/99	4/22/99	5/6/99	5/20/99	6/3/99	6/17/99	6/30/99	7/15/99	7/29/99	8/16/99	8/26/99	9/9/99	9/19/99	9/23/99	10/1/99	10/7/99	10/21/99	11/4/99
Site:																		
1	87.0	110.5	114.0	110.0	109.0	108.0	106.2	105.7	97.7	99.7	99.8	100.0	99.7	101.7	-	106.0	106.3	121.8
2	97.0	112.0	115.5	108.0	108.0	106.0	108.5	105.5	108.5	102.2	104.0	100.0	99.5	107.5	-	107.0	111.0	108.0
3	93.5	110.3	114.0	108.0	108.0	106.0	105.5	109.5	80.0	100.0	104.7	100.0	98.0	103.0	-	105.0	106.0	107.5
4	94.0	109.0	113.0	108.5	108.0	107.0	105.0	103.0	85.5	98.0	100.5	98.8	99.0	104.0	-	102.0	106.0	108.5
5	99.0	109.5	113.0	106.7	108.5	106.0	105.5	108.0	98.0	100.0	102.5	100.0	101.2	101.5	-	103.0	106.0	106.0
6	99.0	110.0	112.5	108.0	107.7	107.0	106.0	106.0	99.5	100.0	102.5	103.0	101.5	99.5	-	102.8	105.5	106.0
7	74.5	110.0	113.8	109.5	109.0	105.7	106.5	107.0	94.5	96.0	99.0	95.0	100.5	103.6	-	115.0	108.7	116.0
8	107.0	109.0	113.0	-	106.0	105.5	105.7	107.5	99.5	99.0	100.0	98.5	98.0	103.0	-	102.0	103.5	107.5
LSC	111.0	110.0	112.0	109.0	108.0	105.0	108.0	107.0	101.0	98.0	102.0	101.0	100.0	100.5	-	102.0	104.0	109.0
LSCB	100.0	110.0	112.0	108.5	107.5	108.5	109.0	108.0	108.5	109.0	108.0	111.0	111.0	111.5	-	111.0	110.0	112.5

### Secchi Disk (m)

Date:	4/7/99	4/22/99	5/6/99	5/20/99	6/3/99	6/17/99	6/30/99	7/15/99	7/29/99	8/16/99	8/26/99	9/9/99	9/19/99	9/23/99	10/1/99	10/7/99	10/21/99	11/4/99
Site:																		
1	1.2	3.2	3.1	В	3.8	2.9	3.4	3.3	2.0	2.3	4.1	3.8	3.5	4.3	3.2	3.5	В	3.6
2	1.7	В	В	В	В	В	1.5	3.0	2.0	2.0	В	В	2.8	2.1	3.0	В	В	В
3	2.0	В	3.0	В	В	В	2.3	3.0	3.0	В	В	3.5	3.5	3.5	В	В	В	В
4	В	В	4.0	В	В	В	В	В	3.9	В	В	В	-	В	В	В	В	В
5	3.5	2.6	3.2	В	4.4	В	4.7	3.1	2.4	2.1	3.2	3.8	3.4	4.5	5.0	4.8	В	В
6	4.0	4.5	3.6	6.0	4.8	5.8	4.4	4.1	2.0	4.2	3.7	3.8	4.0	5.0	6.0	5.9	6.5	7.0
7	1.0	2.9	В	В	В	В	2.0	В	2.8	В	В	В	В	В	В	2.5	В	2.6
8	5.0	5.9	3.5	-	3.6	6.8	6.4	3.4	2.1	4.4	3.4	3.5	5.0	5.1	5.0	5.6	6.5	-
LSC	4.9	6.2	3.8	6.1	4.3	7.1	5.1	3.0	2.5	4.3	3.3	3.9	4.3	5.1	6.0	6.9	7.8	7.0
LSCB	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

### Temperature (°C) @ 2m

Date:	4/7/99	4/22/99	5/6/99	5/20/99	6/3/99	6/17/99	6/30/99	7/15/99	7/29/99	8/16/99	8/26/99	9/9/99	9/19/99	9/23/99	10/1/99	10/7/99	10/21/99	11/4/99
Site:																		
1	8.09	7.30	7.71	9.62	11.20	16.95	19.80	17.85	25.43	21.58	20.48	21.68	20.28	17.19	15.83	14.69	11.43	10.01
2	6.54	7.27	6.91	8.51	12.96	16.41	19.82	18.87	25.74	21.37	20.62	21.75	19.77	14.80	16.36	13.33	11.41	8.88
3	6.10	7.43	7.38	7.38	11.77	16.58	19.71	18.40	25.69	21.28	20.75	21.78	20.17	16.65	15.71	15.20	11.50	9.90
4	4.84	5.45	7.70	7.70	11.43	16.73	19.97	18.30	25.64	21.54	20.38	21.98	19.84	16.58	16.03	14.71	11.82	9.93
5	4.72	6.89	8.73	7.52	11.72	16.63	19.75	17.82	25.50	21.69	21.54	21.78	20.47	17.84	16.58	15.56	12.16	10.30
6	4.37	5.95	8.05	7.96	12.18	16.66	19.81	19.07	25.49	21.29	21.61	21.94	20.47	18.06	16.50	15.76	12.27	10.34
7	7.45	8.06	7.06	10.62	14.12	16.59	20.14	18.13	25.74	21.58	20.71	21.56	18.86	15.23	16.08	11.41	10.98	9.50
8	4.09	5.15	7.17	9.00	13.64	17.71	20.02	20.15	25.17	21.81	21.75	21.93	20.10	18.09	17.36	15.86	12.74	10.63
LSC	4.17	4.87	7.48	8.72	12.24	16.78	19.91	19.76	25.50	21.58	21.57	21.82	20.26	18.18	16.63	15.81	12.20	10.44
LSCB	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

# Dissolved Oxygen (mg·L<sup>-1</sup>) Station 3

Date:	4/7/99	4/22/99	5/6/99	5/20/99	6/3/99	6/17/99	6/30/99	7/15/99	7/29/99	8/16/99	8/26/99	9/9/99	9/19/99	9/23/99	10/1/99	10/7/99	10/21/99	11/4/99
Depth																		
0	11.9	12.0	12.9	12.0	12.3	10.8	10.3	8.5	13.1	7.9	8.6	8.9	8.8	8.8	-	9.6	10.3	10.5
1	11.9	11.8	12.9	12.0	12.2	10.9	10.1	8.4	12.3	8.5	8.4	8.9	8.8	8.7	-	9.4	10.4	10.5
2	11.9	11.8	12.7	11.9	11.7	10.8	9.8	8.9	12.4	9.2	8.1	8.9	8.8	8.5	-	9.3	10.2	10.5
3	11.9	11.9	12.6	12.0	10.9	11.0	11.2	9.0	12.8	9.2	7.3	8.5	8.9	8.4	-	9.7	10.0	10.6
4	11.9	-	12.8	12.0	-	11.6	10.3	7.7	9.3	-	7.1	7.1	-		-	9.9	-	-