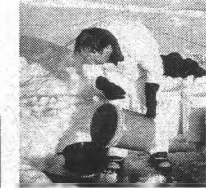
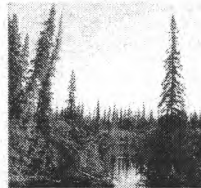
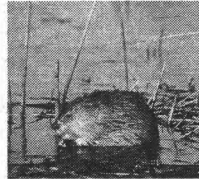
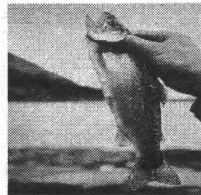


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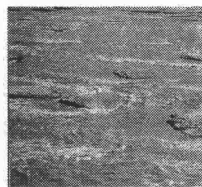
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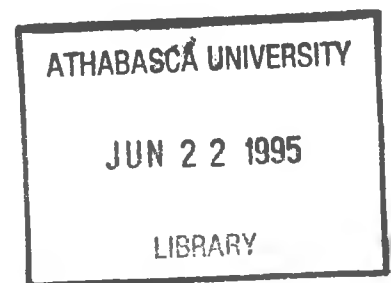
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PREFACE:

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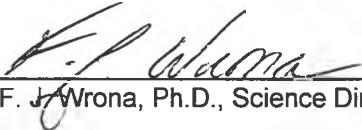
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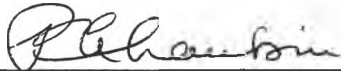
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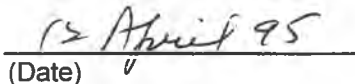
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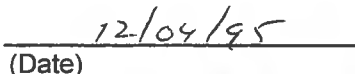
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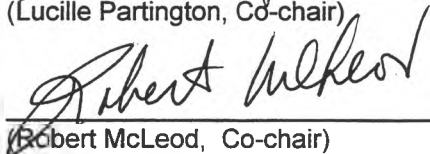
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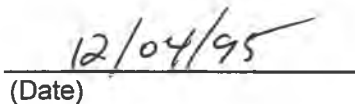
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AQUATIC MACROINVERTEBRATE IDENTIFICATIONS, ATHABASCA RIVER, MAY AND SEPTEMBER, 1993

STUDY PERSPECTIVE

Fundamental to understanding the effects of industrial, agricultural and municipal-related contaminants within an aquatic ecosystem is understanding their origin, pathway, fate and effects on biological communities. The Northern River Basins Study is investigating the presence and distribution of these contaminants within the basins. Also being considered is how they enter the food chain, at what level, if they are transferred and if they are accumulated to concentrations that may have potential concerns for natural biological systems and humans. Benthic invertebrates are bottom-dwelling organisms that are very sensitive to environmental change and are important components of the food chain. Because benthic invertebrates are sensitive to changes in water quality and have limited mobility, these organisms can reflect both short term environmental disturbances as well as long term cumulative effects. Consequently, they are often used to monitor the state of aquatic environments. The abundance and types of benthic invertebrates present at a site can often indicate the extent to which the aquatic environment has been affected by pollutants.

Related Study Questions

- 1a) *How has the aquatic ecosystem, including fish and/or other aquatic organisms, been affected by exposure to organochlorines or other toxic compounds?*
- 4a) *What are the contents and nature of the contaminants entering the system and what is their distribution and toxicity in the aquatic ecosystem with particular reference to water, sediments and biota?*
- 13b) *What are the cumulative effects of man-made discharges on the water and aquatic environment?*
- 14) *What long term monitoring programs and predictive models are required to provide an ongoing assessment of the state of the aquatic ecosystems? These programs must ensure that all stakeholders have the opportunity for input.*

Benthic invertebrates were collected in May, 1993, from depositional areas at eight sites on the upper Athabasca River near Hinton and from seven similar sites in September, 1993. Under this project, benthic invertebrates from those collections were identified, sorted and counted to determine the abundance and types of invertebrates present at each site. The number of aquatic invertebrates per sample ranged from 40 to 8,028 individuals. Invertebrates were more abundant in fall samples. Oligochaete worms and chironomid larvae were generally the most common organisms.

This information will be evaluated and compared with previous studies on the Athabasca River to document changes in benthic invertebrate populations over time and to determine if populations have been affected by man-made discharges to the river. Furthermore, the data in this report will provide key information for other NRBS studies investigating the overall health and abundance of aquatic invertebrate communities found in depositional sediments downstream of municipal and industrial effluents.

REPORT SUMMARY

Seventy-five invertebrate samples (Eckman dredge) taken from depositional areas of the upper Athabasca river were processed. These samples represented eight sites of five replicates each collected in May 1993, and seven sites of five replicates each collected in September 1993. The number of aquatic invertebrates per sample ranged from 40 to 8028 individuals. Invertebrates were more abundant in the fall samples. Oligochaete worms and chironomid larvae were generally the most commonly occurring organisms.

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Sample sorting was performed by Paul Hvengaard, Darcy Lightle, Donelda Patriquin, Karen Saffran, and Nancy Westworth. Resorting for QA/QC analysis was done by Robert Ellis. Karen Saffran enumerated and identified the samples. Sherry Beckett identified the Oligochaeta. Gordon Kelbert assisted with data entry.

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1.0 INTRODUCTION

Examining the structure and composition of benthic invertebrate communities can provide useful information about the condition of aquatic environments. Sensitive to changes in water quality and limited in mobility, these organisms can reflect both short-term environmental disturbances as well as long-term cumulative effects (Lenat et al., 1980).

The purpose of this project, as directed by the Terms of Reference, provided in Appendix A, was to process 75 aquatic invertebrate samples taken from depositional areas of the upper Athabasca River near Hinton, Alberta.

The samples were collected using an Eckman grab sampler (152 mm x 152 mm); details regarding sample collection and handling are provided in Appendix D. Forty (eight sites, five replicates each) samples were collected in May 1993, and 35 (seven sites, five replicates each) were collected in September 1993. The geographic location for each site along with abbreviations of the site designations are listed in Table 1.

Table 1. Site designations and geographic locations for aquatic invertebrate collection sites along the Athabasca River, May and September, 1993.

Site Name	Site Labels	Sample Period	Geographic Location (northings/eastings)
Upstream of Hinton - Control 1	ARC	Spring	566146
Upstream of Hinton - Control 2	ARC2	Fall	Just downstream of ARC
Weldwood Haul Bridge	WHB HB	Spring, Fall	637202
Obed	OB	Spring, Fall	767312
Emerson Lakes - Site 1	AREL	Spring	887522
Emerson Lakes - Site 2	EL	Fall	300 m below AREL
Berland River	ARBER	Spring	095827
Windfall	ARW, WB	Spring Fall	623060
Blue Ridge	ARBR	Spring	056024
Athabasca	ARATHAB	Spring	536685

2.0 METHODS

2.1 SAMPLE PROCESSING

Sample processing generally followed the procedures described by Alberta Environment (1990). Samples were first prepared by removing the formalin in which they were stored and rinsing them through a series of sieves. Mesh sizes of 1 mm, 229 μm , and 74 μm were used. Organic material was separated from inorganic material (sand) in the two finest fractions by elutriation. The three organic fractions obtained were stored in 80% ethanol.

The coarse fraction (> 1 mm) of each sample was sorted in its entirety under a dissecting scope at a magnification of at least 7X. Because these depositional samples contained a large amount of organic debris, it was decided that the fine fraction would be subsampled according to the method of Wrona et al. (1982). Subsampling was standardized to at least one quarter (five 50 mL subsamples) of the fine fraction. Subsample counts were often low (< 100 organisms), but it was felt that the time taken to sort the entire fraction would have been excessive for the amount of data obtained in these cases. The finest fraction (< 74 μm) was not sorted but was saved.

The cone subsampler (Wrona et al., 1982) was also used to facilitate identification of Oligochaeta. When the number of worms was greater than 400, one quarter was removed for identification. The proportions of different families were then applied to the total number of oligochaetes in the sample, which had previously been counted.

2.2 QUALITY ASSURANCE/QUALITY CONTROL

Sample cleaning, fractioning, and subsampling were consistently performed by one person (K. Saffran) who also supervised the sorting process. All enumerations and identifications (except Oligochaeta) were completed by K. Saffran. Further identification of Oligochaeta was done by S. Beckett.

A portion of the inorganic material from the first two samples processed was examined for the presence of additional animals. Since none were found, the inorganic fractions of subsequent samples were not sorted.

Four spring samples and four fall samples (10.7% of the total samples) were chosen at random to verify sorting efficiency. Resorting was undertaken by an individual (R. Ellis) not involved in the original sorting. A recovery of 95%, as suggested in Environment Canada (1993), was considered to be the minimum acceptable standard.

3.0 RESULTS

3.1 INVERTEBRATE COUNTS AND IDENTIFICATIONS

Table 2 lists the benthic invertebrates identified and their abundances in eight sets of samples (five replicates each) collected May 05 - 07 1993, from the upper Athabasca river. Table 3 lists the invertebrates identified and their abundances in seven sets of samples (five replicates each) collected September 15 - 17 1993. Invertebrate counts for the coarse (> 1 mm) fractions can be found in Appendix B; counts and details of subsampling for the fine fraction (< 1 mm > 229 µm) can be found in Appendix C.

The spring samples generally contained fewer organisms than the fall samples. The lowest spring count was 40 individuals for sample ARC 1 93/05/05, while the highest was 2913 for ARATHAB 4 93/05/07. This high number was due to a large number of Ostracoda (96%). The lowest fall count was a total of 513 at site HB, sample B1 93/09/15. The highest total was 8028 for OB B2 93/09/17, the majority of which was tubificid worms (83%).

3.2 QUALITY ASSURANCE/QUALITY CONTROL

Table 4 summarizes the results of resorting 10% of the samples for quality control analysis. Sorting efficiency was acceptable, ranging between 95.6 to 99.8%. The average percentage of organisms overlooked was 1.5 ± 1.5 %.

Table 2. Summary of total invertebrate counts from eight sites on the upper Athabasca River, May 1993.

AREL	93/05/05 Sorters*: P.H., D.P., K.S.					
	1	2	3	4	5	
ANNELIDA						
OLIGOCHAETA						
HAPLOTAXIDA						
			1			
	102	179	177	372	573	
ARTHROPODA						
ARACHNOIDA						
		2			4	
CRUSTACEA						
			4			
	4	7				
INSECTA						
DIPTERA						
	Chironomidae					
	31	114	54	106	126	
		4			3	
		7		4	6	
	66	41	70	186	166	
					1	
		2	4			
EPHEMEROPTERA						
	Ephemerellidae					
					1	
MOLLUSCA						
PELECYPODA						
	Sphaeriidae					
		1				
NEMATODA						
	1	1			1	
	TOTAL	205	361	306	668	881

* Sorters: P.H. = Paul Hvengaard, D.L. = Darcy Lightle, D.P. = Dee Patriquin, K.S. = Karen Saffran, and N.W. = Nancy Westworth

WHB	93/05/05	Sorters: D.P., K.S	1	2	3	4	5
ANNELIDA							
OLIGOCHAETA							
HAPLOTAXIDA							
		Tubificidae	114	124	48	52	46
ARTHROPODA							
ARACHNOIDA							
		ACARI	2				1
CRUSTACEA							
		CLADOCERA					43
		COPEPODA	10	12			4
		OSTRACODA			8	12	8
INSECTA							
DIPTERA							
		Chironomidae					
		Chironomini	55	12	24	33	32
		Tanytarsini	1			1	1
		Orthoclaadiinae	25	2		9	
		Diamesinae		8		6	1
		Tanypodinae	3	6	6		45
		Chironomid Pupae	10	2	5	3	23
		EPHEMEROPTERA					
		Baetidae					
		<i>Baetis</i>	2				
		PLECOPTERA (small)	2				
MOLLUSCA							
PELECYPODA							
		Sphaeriidae					
		<i>Pisidium</i>			1		
NEMATODA			2			8	1
TARDIGRADA			2				
		TOTAL	228	166	92	124	205

ARATHAB 93/05/07 Sorters: D.P., K.S.

	1	2	3	4	5
ANNELIDA					
OLIGOCHAETA					
HAPLOTAXIDA					
Naididae		4		3	
Tubificidae	14	13	6	5	12
ARTHROPODA					
CRUSTACEA					
CLADOCERA	12		4	16	4
COPEPODA	40	176	4	20	32
OSTRACODA	240	192	256	2800	412
INSECTA					
DIPTERA					
Ceratopogonidae		1			
Chironomidae					
Chironomini	14	119	6	9	17
Tanytarsini	31	17		34	18
Orthoclaadiinae	3	8	5	8	4
Diamesinae		4			
Tanypodinae	1		1		
Chironomid Pupae		1	1		
MOLLUSCA					
GASTROPODA					
PULMONATA					
Lymnaeidae	1		1	1	1
PELECYPODA					
Sphaeriidae					
<i>Pisidium</i>		5	1	1	1
NEMATODA	8	16		16	4
TOTAL	364	556	285	2913	505

OB	93/05/05	Sorters: D.P., K.S.	1	2	3	4	5
ANNELIDA							
OLIGOCHAETA							
HAPLOTAXIDA							
		Tubificidae	18	5	4	41	29
ARTHROPODA							
ARACHNOIDA							
		ACARI	2	12		152	
CRUSTACEA							
		CLADOCERA				4	
		COPEPODA		72	4	8	
INSECTA							
DIPTERA							
		Ceratopogonidae				1	
		Chironomidae					
		Chironomini	46	417	207	262	388
		Tanytarsini	1	23	26	12	16
		Orthoclaadiinae	3	21	44	27	8
		Diamesinae	102	268	119	349	234
		Tanypodinae	1	5	1	24	2
		Chironomid Pupae		1			
		Chironomid Adult	1	13		16	14
		Empididae					
		<i>Chelifera</i>				1	
		<i>Hemerodromia</i>	1			1	
EPHEMEROPTERA							
		Ephemerellidae					
		<i>Serratella</i>		1			2
NEMATODA							
							4
		TOTAL	175	838	405	898	697

ARBR	93/05/06	Sorters:	D.P,	K.S.					
					1	2	3	4	5
ANNELEIDA									
	OLIGOCHAETA								
	HAPLOTAXIDA								
		Tubificidae							
		653	1664	426	1316	324			
ARTHROPODA									
	CRUSTACEA								
	CLADOCERA								
			8		16				
	COPEPODA								
		8		12	4				
	OSTRACODA								
		8			4				
	INSECTA								
	DIPTERA								
	Chironomidae								
		Chironomini							
		39	90	47	49	61			
		Tanytarsini							
			15			7			
		Orthoclaadiinae							
		6	1	6	1	1			
		Diamesinae							
			13	1	8	35			
		Tanypodinae							
		1		1	5	2			
MOLLUSCA									
	GASTROPODA								
	PULMONATA								
		Lymnaeidae							
		1							
	PELECYPODA								
	Sphaeriidae								
		<i>Pisidium</i>							
				2	1				
NEMATODA									
					8				
		TOTAL							
		716	1791	495	1412	430			

ARBER 93/05/06 Sorters: D.P., K.S.		1	2	3	4	5
ANNELIDA						
OLIGOCHAETA						
HAPLOTAXIDA						
	Enchytraeidae					1
	Naididae	1				
	Tubificidae	145	209	137	47	154
ARTHROPODA						
INSECTA						
DIPTERA						
	Chironomidae					
	Chironomini	41	59	54	52	58
	Tanytarsini		1			
	Orthoclaadiinae	31	11	19	47	43
	Diamesinae	10	15	19	1	7
	Chironomid Pupae	3	1	2		5
	EPHEMEROPTERA					
	Ephemerellidae	1				
NEMATODA						
			8	8		16
	TOTAL	232	304	239	147	284

ARW	93/05/06	Sorters: D.P., K.S.	1	2	3	4	5
ANNELIDA							
OLIGOCHAETA							
HAPLOTAXIDA							
Tubificidae							
			464	733	231	185	143
ARTHROPODA							
ARACHNOIDA							
ACARI							
			1				1
INSECTA							
DIPTERA							
Chironomidae							
Chironomini							
			48	49	27	42	28
Tanytarsini							
				4		1	1
Orthoclaadiinae							
			2	17		1	
Diamesinae							
			28	55	17	43	18
Tanypodinae							
				1	1		
EPHEMEROPTERA							
Ephemerellidae							
<i>Serratella</i>							
							1
MOLLUSCA							
PELECYPODA							
Sphaeriidae							
<i>Pisidium</i>							
					1		
TOTAL							
			543	859	277	272	192

Table 3. Summary of total invertebrate counts from eight sites on the upper Athabasca river, September 1993.

ABR	93/09/17 Sorters: D.P., K.S.	1B	2B	3B	4B	5B
ANNELIDA						
OLIGOCHAETA						
HAPLOTAXIDA						
	Naididae	32	8	3	17	47
	Tubificidae	2004	2396	627	403	159
ARTHROPODA						
ARACHNOIDA						
	ACARI					6
CRUSTACEA						
	CLADOCERA	108	244	20	48	48
	COPEPODA	164	120	64	57	100
	OSTRACODA		24	4		12
INSECTA						
DIPTERA						
	Chironomidae					
	Chironomini	662	409	317	370	422
	Tanytarsini	64	54	51	219	173
	Orthoclaadiinae	1	7	4	8	9
	Diamesinae	11	12	15	11	20
	Tanypodinae	12				1
	Chironomid Pupae					1
	EPHEMEROPTERA (small)					4
MOLLUSCA						
GASTROPODA						
PULMONATA						
	Lymnaeidae			1	1	1
PELECYPODA						
	Sphaeriidae					
	<i>Pisidium</i>	12	12	1	3	7
NEMATODA						
		8	16			4
	TOTAL	3078	3302	1107	1137	1014

WB	93/09/17 Sorters: D.P., K.S.	B1	B2	B3	B4	B5					
ANNELIDA											
OLIGOCHAETA											
HAPLOTAXIDA											
Naididae							4				
Tubificidae							2936	2166	1242	2004	4188
ARTHROPODA											
CRUSTACEA											
CLADOCERA							336	48	8	8	76
COPEPODA							12	12			
OSTRACODA							40	28	21	17	52
INSECTA											
DIPTERA											
Ceratopogonidae							1			1	1
Chironomidae											
Chironomini							198	138	121	138	264
Tanytarsini							9	36	16	9	28
Diamesinae							17			1	
Tanypodinae							3	88	153	123	215
Tabanidae											
<i>Chrysops</i>									1		
HEMIPTERA											
Corixidae								1	1		
TRICHOPTERA											
Limnephilidae											1
MOLLUSCA											
GASTROPODA											
PULMONATA											
Lymnaeidae									1		
PELECYPODA											
Sphaeriidae											
<i>Pisidium</i>							42	21	4	16	24
NEMATODA							1		4		20
TOTAL							3595	2538	1572	2317	4873

OB	93/09/17 Sorters: D.L., D.P., K.S.					
	B1	B2	B3	B4	B5	
ANNELIDA						
OLIGOCHAETA						
HAPLOTAXIDA						
	Naididae	48	31	36	65	43
	Tubificidae	364	6678	2179	1503	2972
ARTHROPODA						
ARACHNOIDA						
	ACARI	4	1	4	22	5
CRUSTACEA						
	CLADOCERA	128	552	368	336	660
	COPEPODA	16	20	20	20	20
	OSTRACODA	68	20	32	60	24
INSECTA						
DIPTERA						
	Ceratopogonidae					1
	Chironomidae					
	Chironomini	255	317	354	340	418
	Tanytarsini	152	120	65	209	158
	Orthoclaadiinae	41	24	51	186	77
	Diamesinae	231	189	271	310	240
	Tanypodinae	13	15	6	57	25
	Empididae					
	<i>Chelifera</i>	4	4			
EPHEMEROPTERA						
	Ephemerellidae				12	
HEMIPTERA						
	Corixidae	1				1
	PLECOPTERA (small)	1				
TRICHOPTERA						
	Brachycentridae					
	<i>Brachycentrus</i>	1	2	1		1

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OB	93/09/17	/...CONTINUED				
		B1	B2	B3	B4	B5
MOLLUSCA						
GASTROPODA						
PULMONATA						
	Lymnaeidae			2	1	
	Physidae					
	<i>Physa</i>	1				
PELECYPODA						
	Sphaeriidae					
	<i>Pisidium</i>	23	47	10	29	29
NEMATODA		20	8	12	4	12
TOTAL		1371	8028	3411	3154	4686

ARC	93/09/15 Sorters: D.L., D.P., K.S.					
	B1	B2	B3	B4	B5	
ANNELIDA						
OLIGOCHAETA						
HAPLOTAXIDA						
	Naididae	1	20	2	6	16
	Tubificidae	8	4	32	30	45
ARTHROPODA						
ARACHNOIDA						
	ACARI		4	11	2	2
CRUSTACEA						
	CLADOCERA	128	108	96	160	368
	COPEPODA	56	36	40	52	96
	OSTRACODA		84	44	164	288
INSECTA						
DIPTERA						
	Ceratopogonidae				2	
	Chironomidae					
	Chironomini	89	172	166	135	111
	Tanytarsini	238	384	264	342	714
	Orthoclaadiinae	43	45	81	31	143
	Diamesinae	60	124	137	147	110
	Tanypodinae	2	23	4	11	21
	Chironomid Pupae	1	2		1	1
	Empididae	8				
EPHEMEROPTERA						
	Baetidae					
	<i>Baetis</i>	4				
MOLLUSCA						
GASTROPODA						
PULMONATA						
	Lymnaeidae			1	1	
NEMATODA						
			21	30	12	
	TOTAL	638	1027	908	1096	1915

ARC2	93/09/15	Sorters: D.L., D.P., K.S.				
		B1	B2	B3	B4	B5
ANNELIDA						
OLIGOCHAETA						
HAPLOTAXIDA						
	Naididae	9	4	6	8	6
	Tubificidae	268	261	22	22	251
ARTHROPODA						
ARACHNOIDA						
	ACARI	9	4	4	4	12
CRUSTACEA						
	CLADOCERA	272	192	120	204	252
	COPEPODA	16	16		4	12
	OSTRACODA	64	24	76	80	80
INSECTA						
DIPTERA						
	Chironomidae					
	Chironomini	143	204	206	191	122
	Tanytarsini	338	221	515	658	274
	Orthoclaadiinae	62	73	37	101	77
	Diamesinae	123	69	27	41	57
	Tanypodinae	8	5		9	4
	Chironomid Pupae	5	3	3	3	2
	PLECOPTERA (small)		4			
NEMATODA		16		8		12
TOTAL		1333	1080	1024	1325	1161

HB	93/09/15 Sorters: K.S., N.W.	B1	B2	B3	B4	B5
ANNELIDA						
OLIGOCHAETA						
HAPLOTAXIDA						
	Naididae	16	11	7	13	8
	Tubificidae	252	189	149	292	410
ARTHROPODA						
ARACHNOIDA						
	ACARI				6	
CRUSTACEA						
	CLADOCERA	36	44	108	56	232
	COPEPODA	36	40	256	204	104
	OSTRACODA	28	116	244	148	180
INSECTA						
DIPTERA						
	Chironomidae					
	Chironomini	39	46	131	136	112
	Tanytarsini	20	36	136	113	102
	Orthoclaadiinae	24	45	185	90	109
	Diamesinae	23	42	133	67	90
	Tanypodinae	9	25	101	39	40
	Chironomid Adult					4
HEMIPTERA						
	Corixidae			1		4
MOLLUSCA						
GASTROPODA						
PULMONATA						
	Lymnaeidae	4		1		
	Planorbidae	1				1
PELECYPODA						
	Sphaeriidae					
	<i>Pisidium</i>	9	6	10	9	1
NEMATODA						
		16	16	16	20	24
TOTAL		513	616	1478	1193	1421

EL	93/09/15 Sorters: D.L, K.S., N.W.					
	B1	B2	B3	B4	B5	
ANNELIDA						
OLIGOCHAETA						
HAPLOTAXIDA						
	Naididae	76	70	26	4	35
	Tubificidae	1653	2501	3532	1015	1746
ARTHROPODA						
ARACHNOIDA						
	ACARI	15	13	13	14	13
CRUSTACEA						
	CLADOCERA	480	600	348	64	196
	COPEPODA	4	8	12		
	OSTRACODA	17	24	44	12	12
INSECTA						
DIPTERA						
	Chironomidae					
	Chironomini	244	388	360	323	325
	Tanytarsini	13	23	20	32	46
	Orthoclaadiinae	20	18	26	33	29
	Diamesinae	210	290	280	227	251
	Tanypodinae	46	46	6	38	28
	Empididae					
	<i>Chelifera</i>				4	
EPHEMEROPTERA						
	Ephemerellidae	4	4	4		
MEGALOPTERA						
	Sialidae					
	<i>Sialis</i>	1				
	PLECOPTERA (small)	1				
MOLLUSCA						
GASTROPODA						
PULMONATA						
	Lymnaeidae		1		1	
PELECYPODA						
	Sphaeriidae					
	<i>Pisidium</i>	7	6	2	1	5
NEMATODA						
			12	4	4	
	TOTAL	2791	4004	4677	1772	2686

Table 4. Summary of results of resorted samples for quality assurance and control analysis.

ARATHAB 1	93/05/07	WHB 1	93/05/05
ARTHROPODA		ANNELIDA	
CRUSTACEA		OLIGOCHAETA	1
CLADOCERA	1	ARTHROPODA	
OSTRACODA	2	CRUSTACEA	
INSECTA		COPEPODA	3
DIPTERA		INSECTA	
Chironomidae		DIPTERA	
Chironomini	1	Chironomidae	
Orthocladiinae	1	Orthocladiinae	1
QA/QC TOTAL	5	NEMATODA	1
TOTAL COUNTED	109	QA/QC TOTAL	6
% ERROR*	4.39%	TOTAL COUNTED	205
		% ERROR	2.84%

ARBR 2	93/05/06	OB 2	93/05/05
ANNELIDA		ARTHROPODA	
OLIGOCHAETA	8	ARACHNOIDA	
ARTHROPODA		ACARI	1
CRUSTACEA		QA/QC TOTAL	1
CLADOCERA	1	TOTAL COUNTED	562
INSECTA		% ERROR	0.18%
DIPTERA			
Chironomidae			
Chironomini	2		
Orthocladiinae	1		
QA/QC TOTAL	12		
TOTAL COUNTED	1056		
% ERROR	1.12%		

*%ERROR = QA/QC TOTAL / (TOTAL COUNTED + QA/QC TOTAL) x 100

OB B5	93/09/16	ARC B3	93/09/15
ANNELIDA		ARTHROPODA	
OLIGOCHAETA	33	CRUSTACEA	
ARTHROPODA		CLADOCERA	1
INSECTA		QA/QC TOTAL	1
DIPTERA		TOTAL COUNTED	467
Chironomidae		% ERROR	0.21%
Chironomini	3		
Tanytarsini	4		
Orthoclaadiinae	1		
Diamesinae	2		
Tanypodinae	1		
QA/QC TOTAL	44		
TOTAL COUNTED	1884		
% ERROR	2.28%		

WB B3	93/09/17	ARC2 B4	93/09/15
ANNELIDA		ARTHROPODA	
OLIGOCHAETA	4	INSECTA	
QA/QC TOTAL	4	DIPTERA	
TOTAL COUNTED	978	Chironomidae	
% ERROR	0.41%	Chironomini	2
		Tanytarsini	1
		QA/QC TOTAL	3
		TOTAL COUNTED	695
		% ERROR	0.43%

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APPENDIX A: TERMS OF REFERENCE

OBJECTIVE

The purpose of this project is to process 75 benthic invertebrate samples which have been collected by Ponar or Eckman dredge from depositional areas of the upper Athabasca river.

REQUIREMENTS

1. Unless specified otherwise the identification and enumeration of aquatic invertebrates should follow procedures outlined in Alberta Environment (1990). All Quality Assurance/Quality Control (QA/QC) procedures must be documented at each phase of the sample processing according to Environment Canada (1993). Sorting will be completed by one person; identification should also involve only one person per major taxonomic grouping. The contractor must provide names and qualifications of the persons that will sort and identify samples. The person(s) who completed the QA/QC protocols must be identified.

2. Sorting must be performed under a dissecting microscope at no less than 6X magnification. Particularly abundant taxa may be subsampled according to methods outlined in Wrona et al. (1982). A minimum of five, 50 mL subsamples are required. Residue from sorted samples and unsorted portions of samples which were subsampled must be preserved in 80% ethanol, labelled appropriately, and returned to the Scientific Authority for this project.

3. Identification must be to genus when possible (i.e., for Ephemeroptera, Plecoptera, Trichoptera, Diptera, except Chironomidae, and remaining groups). Chironomidae will be identified to sub-family. As required, slidemounts will be made for high power microscopy. Individual genera of Ephemeroptera, Plecoptera, Trichoptera, Chironomidae (sub-family) and remaining groups must be stored in separate vials indicating what sample portions represent. All specimens must be returned to the Scientific Authority.

DELIVERABLES

1. The contractor is to prepare a comprehensive data report that includes the following information: invertebrate counts for each taxon, appropriately weighted for subsampling volume; the portion of the sample sorted and counts of each taxa in each subsample; and, details of QA/QC at all steps of the sample processing.

2. Ten copies of the draft report are to be submitted to the Component Coordinator.

3. Three weeks after receipt of review comments the consultant is to submit ten cerlox bound copies and two unbound, camera-ready originals of the final report to the Component Coordinator. An electronic copy of the report, in Word Perfect 5.1 format, is to be submitted at the same time as the final report. Data presented in tables, figures, appendices, etc. in the final report are also to be submitted in electronic form.

APPENDIX B: COARSE (>1mm) FRACTION COUNTS FOR MAY AND SEPTEMBER - 1993 SAMPLES FROM THE ATHABASCA RIVER

Site:	WHB	Date:	93/05/05	Fraction:	> 1mm
Sample #:	1	2	3	4	5
Oligochaeta	110	100	44	48	42
Enchytraeidae					
Naididae					
Tubificidae	110	100	44	48	42
Hydracarina					1
Cladocera					3
Chironomidae					
Chironomini	37	12	12	25	32
Tanytarsini	1			1	1
Orthoclaadiinae	21	2		5	
Diamesinae		4		6	1
Tanypodinae	1	2	6		41
Chironomid Pupae	10	2	5	3	23
Ephemeroptera					
<i>Baetis</i>	2				
Sphaeriidae					
<i>Pisidium</i>			1		
Nematoda					1
Total	182	122	68	88	145

Site:	AREL	Date:	93/05/05	Fraction:	> 1mm
Sample #:	1	2	3	4	5
	*Subsampled(1/4) for identification				
Oligochaeta	90	167	150	188	*517
Enchytraeidae					
Naididae			1		
Tubificidae	90	167	149	188	517
Hydracarina		2			
Ostracoda		3			
Chironomidae					
Chironomini	27	90	38	54	106
Tanytarsini		4			3
Orthoclaadiinae		7			6
Diamesinae	62	37	70	166	162
Tanypodinae					1
Chironomid Pupae		2			
Ephemeroptera					
<i>Serratella</i>					1
Sphaeriidae					
<i>Pisidium</i>	1				
Nematoda	1	1			1
Total	181	313	258	408	797

Site:	ARATHAB	Date:	93/05/07	Fraction:	> 1mm
Sample #:	1	2	3	4	5

Oligochaeta	6	13	2	8	8
Enchytraeidae					
Naididae				3	
Tubificidae	6	13	2	5	8
Ceratopogonidae		1			
Chironomidae					
Chironomini	6	11	2	5	1
Tanytarsini	7	1		6	2
Orthoclaadiinae	3		1	4	
Diamesinae					
Tanypodinae	1		1		
Chironomid Pupae		1	1		
Gastropoda					
Lymnaeidae	1		1	1	1
Sphaeriidae					
<i>Pisidium</i>		1	1	1	1
Total	24	28	9	25	13

Site:	ARC	Date:	93/05/05	Fraction:	> 1mm
Sample #:	1	2	3	4	5

Oligochaeta		2		1	
Enchytraeidae					
Naididae					
Tubificidae		2		1	
Hydracarina		1		1	
Chironomidae					
Chironomini	10	14	7	18	20
Tanytarsini					
Orthoclaadiinae	1			7	1
Diamesinae		4		4	1
Tanypodinae					
Chironomid Pupae	1			1	
Empididae					
<i>Chelifera</i>			1		
Plecoptera			2		
Total	12	21	10	32	22

Site:	OB	Date:	93/05/05	Fraction:	> 1mm
Sample #:	1	2	3	4	5

Oligochaeta	8	1	4	17	13
Enchytraeidae					
Naididae					
Tubificidae	8	1	4	17	13
Hydracarina		8		24	
Ceratopogonidae				1	
Chironomidae					
Chironomini	33	173	55	86	176
Tanytarsini	1	23	22	8	16
Orthoclaadiinae	1	5	8	7	4
Diamesinae	92	240	103	297	198
Tanypodinae	1	5	1	16	2
Chironomid Pupae	1	13		16	14

Adult Chironomid		1			
Empididae					
<i>Chelifera</i>				1	
<i>Hemerodromia</i>	1			1	
Ephemeroptera					
<i>Serratella</i>		1			2
Total	138	470	193	474	425

Site:	ARBR	Date:	93/05/06	Fraction:	> 1mm
Sample #:	1	2	3	4	5
	*Subsampled(1/4) for identification				
Oligochaeta	293	*780	290	*408	108
Enchytraeidae					
Naididae					
Tubificidae	293	780	290	408	108
Chironomidae					
Chironomini	7	10	19	21	13
Tanytarsini		7			7
Orthoclaadiinae	2	1	6	1	1
Diamesinae		13	1	8	31
Tanypodinae	1		1	1	2
Gastropoda					
Lymnaeidae	1				
Sphaeriidae					
<i>Pisidium</i>			2	1	
Total	304	811	319	440	162

Site:	ARBER	Date:	93/05/06	Fraction:	> 1mm
Sample #:	1	2	3	4	5
Oligochaeta	58	145	85	11	123
Enchytraeidae					1
Naididae	1				
Tubificidae	57	145	85	11	122
Chironomidae					
Chironomini	33	31	30	24	46
Tanytarsini		1			
Orthoclaadiinae	19	11	19	31	27
Diamesinae	10	15	19	1	7
Tanypodinae					
Chironomid Pupae	3	1	2		5
Ephemeroptera					
<i>Ephemerella</i>	1				
Total	124	204	155	67	208

Site:	ARW	Date:	93/05/06	Fraction:	> 1mm
Sample #:	1	2	3	4	5
	*Subsampled(1/4) for identification				
Oligochaeta	*424	*457	163	145	115
Enchytraeidae					
Naididae					
Tubificidae	424	457	163	145	115
Hydracarina	1				1

Chironomidae					
Chironomini	24	33	15	18	24
Tanytarsini		4		1	1
Orthoclaadiinae	2	9		1	
Diamesinae	28	51	17	39	18
Tanypodinae		1	1		
Ephemeroptera					
<i>Serratella</i>					1
Sphaeriidae					
<i>Pisidium</i>			1		
Total	479	555	197	204	160

Site:	ABR	Date:	93/09/17	Fraction:	> 1mm
Sample #:	1B	2B	3B	4B	5B
*Subsampled(1/4) for identification					
Oligochaeta	*820	*872	274	116	106
Enchytraeidae					
Naididae			3	9	23
Tubificidae	820	872	271	107	83
Hydracarina					2
Copepoda				1	
Chironomidae					
Chironomini	578	365	225	270	286
Tanytarsini	8	6	11	11	13
Orthoclaadiinae	1	3			1
Diamesinae	11	4	11	7	4
Tanypodinae	4				1
Chironomid Pupae					1
Gastropoda					
Lymnaeidae			1	1	1
Sphaeriidae					
<i>Pisidium</i>	12	12	1	3	7
Total	1434	1262	523	409	422

Site:	WB	Date:	93/09/17	Fraction:	> 1mm
Sample #:	B1	B2	B3	B4	B5
*Subsampled(1/4) for identification					
Oligochaeta	*1576	*1138	*510	*856	*1640
Enchytraeidae					
Naididae					4
Tubificidae	1576	1138	510	856	1636
Ostracoda			1	1	
Ceratopogonidae	1			1	1
Chironomidae					
Chironomini	158	118	121	130	232
Tanytarsini	1	16	8	5	12
Orthoclaadiinae					
Diamesinae	17			1	
Tanypodinae	3	76	137	119	171
Tabanidae					
<i>Chrysops</i>			1		
Hemiptera					
Corixidae		1	1		
Trichoptera					
Limnephilidae					1
Gastropoda					
Lymnaeidae			1		
Sphaeriidae					
<i>Pisidium</i>	42	21	4	16	24
Nematoda	1				
Total	1799	1370	784	1129	2081

Site:	OB	Date:	93/09/17	Fracton:	> 1mm
Sample #:	B1	B2	B3	B4	B5

*Subsampled(1/4) for identification

Oligochaeta	184	*1301	*531	*456	*599
Enchytraeidae					
Naididae	24	15	8	41	43
Tubificidae	160	1286	523	415	556
Hydracarina		1	4	2	5
Ceratopogonidae					1
Chironomidae					
Chironomini	115	137	126	136	214
Tanytarsini	12	12	9	25	26
Orthocladinae	5		3	2	13
Diamesinae	15	29	43	38	44
Tanytopodinae	9	11	2	13	25
Hemiptera					
Corixidae	1				1
Plecoptera	1				
Trichoptera					
<i>Brachycentrus</i>	1	2	1		1
Gastropoda					
Lymnaeidae			2	1	
<i>Physa</i>	1				
Sphaeriidae					
<i>Pisidium</i>	19	47	6	29	21
Total	363	1540	727	702	950

Site:	ARC	Date:	93/09/15	Fraction:	> 1mm
Sample #:	B1	B2	B3	B4	B5
Oligochaeta	5	16	26	16	21
Enchytraeidae					
Naididae	1	16	2	2	12
Tubificidae	4		24	14	9
Hydracarina			3	2	2
Ceratopogonidae			1	2	
Chironomidae					
Chironomini	65	108	78	83	55
Tanytarsini	122	232	168	226	474
Orthocladinae	11	25	17	11	59
Diamesinae	8	36	21	15	18
Tanytopodinae	2	11	4	3	13
Chironomid Pupae	1	2		1	1
Gastropoda					
Lymnaeidae				1	
Nematoda		1	2		
Total	214	431	320	360	643

Site:	ARC2	Date:	93/09/15	Fraction:	> 1mm
Sample #:	B1	B2	B3	B4	B5
Oligochaeta	73	125	20	22	89
Enchytraeidae					
Naididae	5	4	2	4	2
Tubificidae	68	121	18	18	87
Hydracarina	1		4	4	12
Chironomidae					

Chironomini	31	52	70	95	22
Tanytarsini	62	77	163	322	78
Orthoclaadiinae	14	9	5	25	5
Diamesinae	3	1	3	9	5
Tanypodinae		1		5	
Chironomid Pupae	1	3	3	3	2
Total	185	268	268	485	213

Site:	HB	Date:	93/09/15	Fraction:	> 1mm
Sample #:	B1	B2	B3	B4	B5
Oligochaeta	104	152	76	145	182
Enchytraeidae					
Naididae	4	3	3	5	8
Tubificidae	100	149	73	140	174
Hydracarina				2	
Chironomidae					
Chironomini	15	22	39	32	32
Tanytarsini	4	20	56	29	22
Orthoclaadiinae		17	25	10	13
Diamesinae	7	14	21	15	10
Tanypodinae	9	9	45	23	24
Hemiptera					
Corixidae			1		
Gastropoda					
Lymnaeidae	4		1		
Planorbidae	1				1
Sphaeriidae					
Pisidium	9	6	10	9	1
Total	153	240	274	265	285

Site :	EL	Date:	93/09/15	Fraction:	> 1mm
Sample #	B1	B2	B3	B4	B5
	*Subsampled(1/4) for identification				
Oligochaeta	*1253	*1579	*1966	*671	*857
Enchytraeidae					
Naididae	48	58	14	4	27
Tubificidae	1205	1521	1952	667	830
Hydracarina	7	5	5	6	1
Ostracoda	1				
Chironomidae					
Chironomini	108	124	104	95	77
Tanytarsini	5	3	8		2
Orthoclaadiinae	4	2	6	1	5
Diamesinae	50	86	72	59	47
Tanypodinae	10	10	2	2	
Megaloptera					
Sialis	1				
Plecoptera	1				
Gastropoda					
Lymnaeidae		1		1	
Sphaeriidae					
Pisidium	7	6	2	1	5
Total	1447	1816	2165	836	994



APPENDIX C: FINE (<1mm>229um) FRACTION COUNTS AND SUBSAMPLING RESULTS FOR MAY AND SEPTEMBER 1993 SAMPLES

Site: WHB Sample #:	1	Date: 93/05/05	Fraction: < 1 mm >	229 um	
50 ml Subsamples:	1	2	3	4	5
Oligochaeta		1			
Enchytraeidae					
Naididae					
Tubificidae					
Hydracarina	1				
Cladocera					
Copepoda	1			4	
Ostracoda					
Chironomidae					
Chironomini			1	1	2
Tanytarsini					
Orthoclaadiinae					1
Diamesinae					
Tanypodinae					
Chironomid Pupae					
Plecoptera (small)	1				
Nematoda					
Tardigrada	1				
Total #	4	1	1	5	3

Site: WHB Sample #:	1	...Continued					(Total)2
50 ml Subsamples:	Total 50%	6	7	8	9	10	(Total)2
Oligochaeta			1				
Enchytraeidae							0
Naididae							0
Tubificidae	2						4
Hydracarina	1						2
Cladocera	0						0
Copepoda	5						10
Ostracoda	0						0
Chironomidae							
Chironomini	9	2		1		2	18
Tanytarsini	0						0
Orthoclaadiinae	2				1		4
Diamesinae	0						0
Tanypodinae	1		1				2
Chironomid Pupae	0						0
Plecoptera (small)	1						2
Nematoda	1				1		2
Tardigrada	1						2
Total #	23	2	2	1	2	2	46

Site: WHB Sample #:	2	Date: 93/05/05	Fraction: < 1mm >	229 um			
50 ml Subsamples:	Total 25%	1	2	3	4	5	(Total)4
Oligochaeta		2	1		1	2	
Enchytraeidae							0

Naididae							0
Tubificidae	6						24
Cladocera	0						0
Copepoda	3	1	1	1			12
Ostracoda	0						0
Chironomidae							
Chironomini	0						0
Tanytarsini	0						0
Orthocladinae	0						0
Diamesinae	1			1			4
Tanypodinae	1	1					4
Chironomid Pupae	0						0
Nematoda	0						0
Total #	11	4	2	2	1	2	44

Site: WHB Sample #:	3	Date:	93/05/05	Fraction:	< 1 mm >	229 um	
50 ml Subsamples:	Total 25%	1	2	3	4	5	(Total)4

Oligochaeta			1				
Enchytraeidae							0
Naididae							0
Tubificidae	1						4
Cladocera	0						0
Copepoda	0						0
Ostracoda	2	1			1		8
Chironomidae							
Chironomini	3			1	2		12
Tanytarsini	0						0
Orthocladinae	0						0
Diamesinae	0						0
Tanypodinae	0						0
Chironomid Pupae	0						0
Nematoda	0						0
Total #	6	1	1	1	3	0	24

Site: WHB Sample #:	4	Date:	93/05/05	Fraction:	< 1 mm >	229 um	
50 ml Subsamples:	Total 25%	1	2	3	4	5	(Total)4

Oligochaeta			1				
Enchytraeidae							0
Naididae							0
Tubificidae	1						4
Cladocera	0						0
Copepoda	0						0
Ostracoda	3		1		1	1	12
Chironomidae							
Chironomini	2	1			1		8
Tanytarsini	0						0
Orthocladinae	1					1	4
Diamesinae	0						0
Tanypodinae	0						0
Chironomid Pupae	0						0
Nematoda	2				1	1	8
Total #	9	1	2	0	3	3	36

Site: WHB	Sample #:	5	Date:	93/05/05	Fraction:	< 1 mm >	229 um	
50 ml Subsamples:	Total 25%	1	2	3	4	5	(Total)4	
Oligochaeta			1					
Enchytraeidae								0
Naididae								0
Tubificidae	1							4
Cladocera	10	4	4		2			40
Copepoda	1		1					4
Ostracoda	2	1	1					8
Chironomidae								
Chironomini	0							0
Tanytarsini	0							0
Orthoclaadiinae	0							0
Diamesinae	0							0
Tanypodinae	1	1						4
Chironomid Pupae	0							0
Nematoda	0							0
Total #	15	6	7	0	2	0		60

Site: AREL	Sample #:	1	Date:	93/05/05	Fraction:	< 1 mm >	229 um	
50 ml Subsamples:	Total 25%	1	2	3	4	5	(Total)*4	
Oligochaeta		1	1	1				
Enchytraeidae								0
Naididae								0
Tubificidae	3							12
Cladocera	0							0
Copepoda	0							0
Ostracoda	1				1			4
Chironomidae								
Chironomini	1	1						4
Tanytarsini	0							0
Orthoclaadiinae	0							0
Diamesinae	1		1					4
Tanypodinae	0							0
Chironomid Pupae	0							0
Nematoda	0							0
Total #	6	2	2	1	1	0		24

Site: AREL	Sample #:	2	Date:	93/05/05	Fraction:	< 1mm >	229 um	
50 ml Subsample:	Total 25%	1	2	3	4	5	(Total)*4	
Oligochaeta			1		1	1		
Enchytraeidae								0
Naididae								0
Tubificidae	3							12
Cladocera	1			1				4
Copepoda	0							0
Ostracoda	1					1		4
Chironomidae								
Chironomini	6	1	1	2	1	1		24

Tanytarsini	0						0
Orthocladinae	0						0
Diamesinae	1				1		4
Tanypodinae	0						0
Chironomid Pupae	0						0
Nematoda							0
Total #	12	1	2	3	2	4	48

Site: AREL Sample #:	3	Date:	93/05/05	Fraction:	< 1 mm >	229 um	
50 ml Subsamples:	Total 25%	1	2	3	4	5	(Total)4

Oligochaeta		1	2	1	1	2	
Enchytraeidae							0
Naididae							0
Tubificidae	7				1		28
Cladocera	0						0
Copepoda	0						0
Ostracoda	0						0
Chironomidae							
Chironomini	4	4					16
Tanytarsini	0						0
Orthocladinae	0						0
Diamesinae	0						0
Tanypodinae	0						0
Chironomid Pupae	1		1				4
Nematoda	0						0
Total #	12	5	3	1	2	2	48

Site: AREL Sample #:	4	Date:	93/05/05	Fraction:	< 1 mm >	229 um	
50 ml Subsamples:	Total 25%	1	2	3	4	5	(Total)4

Oligochaeta		9	8	11	8	10	
Enchytraeidae							0
Naididae							0
Tubificidae	46						184
Cladocera	0						0
Copepoda	0						0
Ostracoda	0						0
Chironomidae							
Chironomini	13	2	6	1	1	3	52
Tanytarsini	0						0
Orthocladinae	1	1					4
Diamesinae	5		1	1	2	1	20
Tanypodinae	0						0
Chironomid Pupae	0						0
Nematoda	0						0
Total #	65	12	15	13	11	14	260

Site: AREL Sample #:	5	Date:	93/05/05	Fraction:	< 1 mm >	229 um	
50 ml Subsamples:	Total 25%	1	2	3	4	5	(Total)4

Oligochaeta		1	4	3	2	4	
Enchytraeidae							0

Naididae							0
Tubificidae	14						56
Hydracarina	1				1		4
Cladocera	0						0
Copepoda	0						0
Ostracoda	0						0
Chironomidae							
Chironomini	5	1		3	1		20
Tanytarsini	0						0
Orthocladinae	0						0
Diamesinae	1				1		4
Tanypodinae	0						0
Chironomid Pupae	0						0
Nematoda	0						0
Total #	21	2	4	3	5	7	84

Site: ARATHAB Sample #:	1	Date:	93/05/07	Fraction:	< 1 mm >	229 um	
50 ml Subsamples:	Total 25%	1	2	3	4	5	(Total)4

Oligochaeta		1				1	
Enchytraeidae							0
Naididae							0
Tubificidae	2						8
Cladocera	3		1	1	1		12
Copepoda	10	3	3	1	2	1	40
Ostracoda	60	9	10	17	9	15	240
Chironomidae							
Chironomini	2			2			8
Tanytarsini	6	2			3	1	24
Orthocladinae	0						0
Diamesinae	0						0
Tanypodinae	0						0
Chironomid Pupae	0						0
Nematoda	2		1			1	8
Total #	85	15	15	21	15	19	340

Site: ARATHAB Sample #:	2	Date:	93/05/07	Fraction:	< 1mm >	229 um	
50 ml Subsamples:	Total 25%	1	2	3	4	5	(Total)4

Oligochaeta		1					
Enchytraeidae							0
Naididae	1						4
Tubificidae							0
Cladocera	0						0
Copepoda	44	5	9	11	9	10	176
Ostracoda	48	6	8	9	12	13	192
Chironomidae							
Chironomini	27	6	9	2	5	5	108
Tanytarsini	4				3	1	16
Orthocladinae	2			2			8
Diamesinae	1		1				4
Tanypodinae	0						0
Chironomid Pupae	0						0
Sphaeriidae	0						0

<i>Pisidium</i>	1	1					4
Nematoda	4	1	2		1		16
Total #	132	20	29	24	30	29	528

Site: ARATHAB Sample #:	3	Date:	93/05/07	Fraction:	< 1 mm >	229 um	
50 ml Subsamples:	Total 25%	1	2	3	4	5	(Total)4

Oligochaeta			1				
Enchytraeidae							0
Naididae							0
Tubificidae	1						4
Cladocera	1			1			4
Copepoda	1	1					4
Ostracoda	64	16	10	13	11	14	256
Chironomidae							
Chironomini	1		1				4
Tanytarsini	0						0
Orthocladinae	1	1					4
Diamesinae	0						0
Tanypodinae	0						0
Chironomid Pupae	0						0
Nematoda	0						0
Total #	69	18	12	14	11	14	276

Site: ARATHAB Sample #:	4	Date:	93/05/07	Fraction:	< 1 mm >	229 um	
50 ml Subsamples:	Total 25%	1	2	3	4	5	(Total)4

Oligochaeta							
Enchytraeidae							0
Naididae							0
Tubificidae							0
Cladocera	4	1			1	2	16
Copepoda	5	1	1	2		1	20
Ostracoda	700	107	144	140	151	158	2800
Chironomidae							
Chironomini	1	1					4
Tanytarsini	7	1	2		1	3	28
Orthocladinae	1	1					4
Diamesinae	0						0
Tanypodinae	0						0
Chironomid Pupae	0						0
Nematoda	4	1	2	1			16
Total #	722	113	149	143	153	164	2888

Site: ARATHAB Sample #:	5	Date:	93/05/07	Fraction:	< 1 mm >	229 um	
50 ml Subsamples:	Total 25%	1	2	3	4	5	(Total)4

Oligochaeta						1	
Enchytraeidae							0
Naididae							0
Tubificidae	1						4
Cladocera	1	1					4
Copepoda	8	4	1	1	2		32

Ostracoda	103	15	20	16	27	25	412
Chironomidae							
Chironomini	4	1	1	1	1		16
Tanytarsini	4	3		1			16
Orthocladinae	1					1	4
Diamesinae	0						0
Tanypodinae	0						0
Chironomid Pupae	0						0
Nematoda	1	1					4
Total #	123	25	22	19	30	27	492

Site: ARC Sample #:	1	Date:	93/05/05	Fraction:	< 1 mm >	229 um	
50 ml Subsamples:	Total 25%	1	2	3	4	5	(Total)4

Oligochaeta							
Enchytraeidae							0
Naididae							0
Tubificidae							0
Cladocera	0						0
Copepoda	0						0
Ostracoda	0						0
Chironomidae							
Chironomini	2	1				1	8
Tanytarsini	2	1			1		8
Orthocladinae	2	1			1		8
Diamesinae	1		1				4
Tanypodinae	0						0
Chironomid Pupae	0						0
Nematoda	0						0
Total #	7	3	1	0	2	1	28

Site: ARC Sample #:	2	Date:	93/05/05	Fraction:	< 1mm >	229 um	
50 ml Subsamples:	Total 25%	1	2	3	4	5	(Total)4

Oligochaeta						2	
Enchytraeidae							0
Naididae							0
Tubificidae	2						8
Hydracaria	1		1				4
Cladocera	0						0
Copepoda	0						0
Ostracoda	0						0
Chironomidae							
Chironomini	3			1	1	1	12
Tanytarsini	0						0
Orthocladinae	0						0
Diamesinae	1	1					4
Tanypodinae	0						0
Chironomid Pupae	0						0
Nematoda	0						0
Total #	7	1	1	1	1	3	28

Site: ARC Sample #:	3	Date:	93/05/05	Fraction:	< 1 mm >	229 um	
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50 ml Subsamples:	Total 25%	1	2	3	4	5	(Total)4
Oligochaeta					1		
Enchytraeidae							0
Naididae							0
Tubificidae	1						4
Cladocera	0						0
Copepoda	0						0
Ostracoda	0						0
Chironomidae							
Chironomini	7	1	1	3	2		28
Tanytarsini	0						0
Orthoclaadiinae	0						0
Diamesinae	0						0
Tanypodinae	0						0
Chironomid Pupae	0						0
Nematoda	0						0
Total #	8	1	1	3	3	0	32

Site: ARC	Sample #:	4	Date:	93/05/05	Fraction:	< 1 mm >	229 um	
50 ml Subsamples:	Total 25%	1	2	3	4	5	(Total)4	

Oligochaeta		1						
Enchytraeidae								0
Naididae								0
Tubificidae	1							4
Cladocera	0							0
Copepoda	0							0
Ostracoda	0							0
Chironomidae								
Chironomini	14	2	2	2	6	2		56
Tanytarsini	0							0
Orthoclaadiinae	2	2						8
Diamesinae	1			1				4
Tanypodinae	0							0
Chironomid Pupae	0							0
Nematoda	0							0
Total #	18	5	2	3	6	2		72

Site: ARC	Sample #:	5	Date:	93/05/05	Fraction:	< 1 mm >	229 um	
50 ml Subsamples:	Total 25%	1	2	3	4	5	(Total)4	

Oligochaeta		1						
Enchytraeidae								0
Naididae								0
Tubificidae	1							4
Cladocera	0							0
Copepoda	0							0
Ostracoda	0							0
Chironomidae								
Chironomini	6	5			1			24
Tanytarsini	0							0
Orthoclaadiinae	2	1					1	8
Diamesinae	0							0

Tanypodinae	0						0
Chironomid Pupae	0						0
Nematoda	0						0
Total #	9	7	0	0	1	1	36

Site: OB	Sample #:	1	Date:	93/05/05	Fraction:	< 1 mm >	229 um	
50 ml Subsamples:	Total 25%	1	2	3	4	5	Total	
Entire sample counted								
Oligochaeta	10							
Enchytraeidae								0
Naididae								0
Tubificidae	10							10
Hydracarina	2							2
Cladocera								0
Copepoda								0
Ostracoda								0
Chironomidae								
Chironomini	13							13
Tanytarsini								0
Orthoclaadiinae	2							2
Diamesinae	10							10
Tanypodinae								0
Chironomid Pupae								0
Nematoda								0
Total #	37							37

Site: OB	Sample #:	2	Date:	93/05/05	Fraction:	< 1 mm >	229 um	
50 ml Subsamples:	Total 25%	1	2	3	4	5	(Total)4	
Oligochaeta					1			
Enchytraeidae								0
Naididae								0
Tubificidae	1							4
Hydracarina	1					1		4
Cladocera	0							0
Copepoda	18	2	4	6	3	3		72
Ostracoda	0							0
Chironomidae								
Chironomini	61	13	6	21	7	14		244
Tanytarsini	0							0
Orthoclaadiinae	4		2	1	1			16
Diamesinae	7	2		3	1	1		28
Tanypodinae	0							0
Chironomid Pupae	0							0
Nematoda	0							0
Total #	92	17	12	31	13	19		368

Site: OB	Sample #:	3	Date:	93/05/05	Fraction:	< 1 mm >	229 um	
50 ml Subsamples:	Total 25%	1	2	3	4	5	(Total)4	
Oligochaeta								
Enchytraeidae								0
Naididae								0

Tubificidae							0
Cladocera	0						0
Copepoda	1				1		4
Ostracoda	0						0
Chironomidae							
Chironomini	38	5	6	8	5	14	152
Tanytarsini	1			1			4
Orthoclaadiinae	9	1	1	3	2	2	36
Diamesinae	4	1		1	2		16
Tanypodinae	0						0
Chironomid Pupae	0						0
Nematoda	0						0
Total #	53	7	7	13	10	16	212

Site: OB	Sample #:	4	Date:	93/05/05	Fraction:	< 1 mm >	229 um	
50 ml Subsamples:	Total 25%	1	2	3	4	5	(Total)4	

Oligochaeta		2		1	1	2	
Enchytraeidae							0
Naididae							0
Tubificidae	6						24
Hydracarina	32	4	6	6	9	7	128
Cladocera	1	1					4
Copepoda	2		1	1			8
Ostracoda	0						0
Chironomidae							
Chironomini	44	11	9	10	5	9	176
Tanytarsini	1		1				4
Orthoclaadiinae	5		2	1	1	1	20
Diamesinae	13		3	5	1	4	52
Tanypodinae	2				1	1	8
Chironomid Pupae	0						0
Nematoda	0						0
Total #	106	18	22	24	18	24	424

Site: OB	Sample #:	5	Date:	93/05/05	Fraction:	< 1 mm >	229 um	
50 ml Subsamples:	Total 25%	1	2	3	4	5	(Total)4	

Oligochaeta		2		1	1		
Enchytraeidae							0
Naididae							0
Tubificidae	4						16
Cladocera	0						0
Copepoda	0						0
Ostracoda	0						0
Chironomidae							
Chironomini	53	12	9	13	13	6	212
Tanytarsini	0						0
Orthoclaadiinae	1				1		4
Diamesinae	9	3	1	3	1	1	36
Tanypodinae	0						0
Chironomid Pupae	0						0
Nematoda	1		1				4
Total #	68	17	11	17	16	7	272

Site: ARBR Sample #:	1	Date:	93/05/05	Fraction:	< 1 mm >	229 um	
50 ml Subsamples:	Total 25%	1	2	3	4	5	(Total)4
Oligochaeta		21	23	11	23	12	
Enchytraeidae							0
Naididae							0
Tubificidae	90						360
Cladocera	0						0
Copepoda	2	1				1	8
Ostracoda	2	1		1			8
Chironomidae							
Chironomini	8	1		3	1	3	32
Tanytarsini	0						0
Orthocladinae	1	1					4
Diamesinae	0						0
Tanypodinae	0						0
Chironomid Pupae	0						0
Nematoda	0						0
Total #	103	25	23	15	24	16	412

Site: ARBR Sample #:	2	Date:	93/05/06	Fraction:	< 1mm >	229 um	
50 ml Subsamples:	Total 25%	1	2	3	4	5	(Total)4
Oligochaeta		57	43	43	37	41	
Enchytraeidae							0
Naididae							0
Tubificidae	221						884
Cladocera	2	1		1			8
Copepoda	0						0
Ostracoda	0						0
Chironomidae							
Chironomini	20	8	4		5	3	80
Tanytarsini	2	2					8
Orthocladinae	0						0
Diamesinae	0						0
Tanypodinae	0						0
Chironomid Pupae	0						0
Nematoda	0						0
Total #	245	68	47	44	42	44	980

Site: ARBR Sample #:	3	Date:	93/05/06	Fraction:	< 1 mm >	229 um	
50 ml Subsamples:	Total 25%	1	2	3	4	5	(Total)4
Oligochaeta		5	7	8	5	9	
Enchytraeidae							0
Naididae							0
Tubificidae	34						136
Cladocera	0						0
Copepoda	3			1	1	1	12
Ostracoda	0						0
Chironomidae							
Chironomini	7	4		1	1	1	28

Tanytarsini	0						0
Orthocladinae	0						0
Diamesinae	0						0
Tanypodinae	0						0
Chironomid Pupae	0						0
Nematoda	0						0
Total #	44	9	7	10	7	11	176

Site: ARBR Sample #:	4	Date:	93/05/06	Fraction:	< 1 mm >	229 um	
50 ml Subsamples:	Total 25%	1	2	3	4	5	(Total)4

Oligochaeta		45	42	46	43	51	
Enchytraeidae							0
Naididae							0
Tubificidae	227						908
Cladocera	4		1			3	16
Copepoda	1				1		4
Ostracoda	1			1			4
Chironomidae							
Chironomini	7	2	1	4			28
Tanytarsini	0						0
Orthocladinae	0						0
Diamesinae	0						0
Tanypodinae	1					1	4
Chironomid Pupae	0						0
Nematoda	2	1	1				8
Total #	243	48	45	51	44	55	972

Site: ARBR Sample #:	5	Date:	93/05/06	Fraction:	< 1 mm >	229 um	
50 ml Subsamples:	Total 25%	1	2	3	4	5	(Total)4

Oligochaeta		10	11	8	11	14	
Enchytraeidae							0
Naididae							0
Tubificidae	54						216
Cladocera	0						0
Copepoda	0						0
Ostracoda	0						0
Chironomidae							
Chironomini	12	1	3	1	6	1	48
Tanytarsini	0						0
Orthocladinae	0						0
Diamesinae	1	1					4
Tanypodinae	0						0
Chironomid Pupae	0						0
Nematoda	0						0
Total #	67	12	14	9	17	15	268

Site: ARBR Sample #:	1	Date:	93/05/06	Fraction:	< 1 mm >	229 um	
50 ml Subsamples:	Total 25%	1	2	3	4	5	(Total)4

Oligochaeta		6	5	5	3	3	
Enchytraeidae							0

Naididae							0
Tubificidae	22						88
Cladocera	0						0
Copepoda	0						0
Ostracoda	0						0
Chironomidae							
Chironomini	2				1	1	8
Tanytarsini	0						0
Orthocladinae	3	1				2	12
Diamesinae	0						0
Tanypodinae	0						0
Chironomid Pupae	0						0
Nematoda	0						0
Total #	27	7	5	5	4	6	108

Site: ARBER Sample #:	2	Date:	93/05/06	Fraction:	< 1mm >	229 um	
50 ml Subsamples:	Total 25%	1	2	3	4	5	(Total)4

Oligochaeta		4	4	2	2	4	
Enchytraeidae							0
Naididae							0
Tubificidae	16						64
Cladocera	0						0
Copepoda	0						0
Ostracoda	0						0
Chironomidae							
Chironomini	7	3	1	1	1	1	28
Tanytarsini	0						0
Orthocladinae	0						0
Diamesinae	0						0
Tanypodinae	0						0
Chironomid Pupae	0						0
Nematoda	2					2	8
Total #	25	7	5	3	5	5	100

Site: ARBER Sample #:	3	Date:	93/05/06	Fraction:	< 1 mm >	229 um	
50 ml Subsamples:	Total 25%	1	2	13	4	5	(Total)4

Oligochaeta		3	2	2	2	4	
Enchytraeidae							0
Naididae							0
Tubificidae	13						52
Cladocera	0						0
Copepoda	0						0
Ostracoda	0						0
Chironomidae							
Chironomini	6	2	3	1			24
Tanytarsini	0						0
Orthocladinae	0						0
Diamesinae	0						0
Tanypodinae	0						0
Chironomid Pupae	0						0
Nematoda	2					2	8
Total #	21	5	5	3	4	4	84

Site: ARBER Sample #:	4	Date:	93/05/06	Fraction:	< 1 mm >	229 um	
50 ml Subsamples:	Total 25%	1	2	3	4	5	(Total)4
Oligochaeta		2	2	1	2	2	
Enchytraeidae							0
Naididae							0
Tubificidae	9						36
Cladocera	0						0
Copepoda	0						0
Ostracoda	0						0
Chironomidae							
Chironomini	7	2	2	1	1	1	28
Tanytarsini	0						0
Orthocladinae	4			1	2	1	16
Diamesinae	0						0
Tanypodinae	0						0
Chironomid Pupae	0						0
Nematoda	0						0
Total #	20	4	4	3	5	4	80

Site: ARBER Sample #:	5	Date:	93/05/06	Fraction:	< 1 mm >	229 um	
50 ml Subsamples:	Total 25%	1	2	3	4	5	(Total)4
Oligochaeta		3	2	1	1	1	
Enchytraeidae							0
Naididae							0
Tubificidae	8						32
Cladocera	0						0
Copepoda	0						0
Ostracoda	0						0
Chironomidae							
Chironomini	3			1	1	1	12
Tanytarsini	0						0
Orthocladinae	4		1	1	1	1	16
Diamesinae	0						0
Tanypodinae	0						0
Chironomid Pupae	0						0
Nematoda	4		2		1	1	16
Total #	19	3	5	3	4	4	76

Site: ARW Sample #:	1	Date:	93/05/06	Fraction:	< 1 mm >	229 um	
50 ml Subsamples:	Total 25%	1	2	3	4	5	(Total)4
Oligochaeta		2	1	2	3	2	
Enchytraeidae							0
Naididae							0
Tubificidae	10						40
Cladocera	0						0
Copepoda	0						0
Ostracoda	0						0
Chironomidae							
Chironomini	6	1	2	2		1	24

Tanytarsini	0						0
Orthoclaadiinae	0						0
Diamesinae	0						0
Tanypodinae	0						0
Chironomid Pupae	0						0
Nematoda	0						0
Total #	16	3	3	4	3	3	64

Site: ARW	Sample #:	2	Date:	93/05/06	Fraction:	< 1mm >	229 um	
50 ml Subsamples:		Total 25%	1	2	3	4	5	(Total)4

Oligochaeta		10	12	13	14	20	
Enchytraeidae							0
Naididae							0
Tubificidae	69						276
Cladocera	0						0
Copepoda	0						0
Ostracoda	0						0
Chironomidae							
Chironomini	4	1	1	1		1	16
Tanytarsini	0						0
Orthoclaadiinae	2	1	1				8
Diamesinae	1	1					4
Tanypodinae	0						0
Chironomid Pupae	0						0
Nematoda	0						0
Total #	76	13	14	14	14	21	304

Site: ARW	Sample #:	3	Date:	93/05/06	Fraction:	< 1 mm >	229 um	
50 ml Subsamples:		Total 25%	1	2	3	4	5	(Total)4

Oligochaeta		4	3	3	5	2	
Enchytraeidae							0
Naididae							0
Tubificidae	17						68
Cladocera	0						0
Copepoda	0						0
Ostracoda	0						0
Chironomidae							
Chironomini	3		2			1	12
Tanytarsini	0						0
Orthoclaadiinae	0						0
Diamesinae	0						0
Tanypodinae	0						0
Chironomid Pupae	0						0
Nematoda	0						0
Total #	20	4	5	3	5	3	80

Site: ARW	Sample #:	4	Date:	93/05/06	Fraction:	< 1 mm >	229 um	
50 ml Subsamples:		Total 25%	1	2	3	4	5	(Total)4

Oligochaeta		3	3	1	2	1	
Enchytraeidae							0

Naididae							0
Tubificidae	10						40
Cladocera	0						0
Copepoda	0						0
Ostracoda	0						0
Chironomidae							
Chironomini	6	1	3			2	24
Tanytarsini	0						0
Orthocladinae	0						0
Diamesinae	1			1			4
Tanypodinae	0						0
Chironomid Pupae	0						0
Nematoda	0						0
Total #	17	4	6	2	2	3	68

Site: ARW Sample #: 5 Date: 93/05/06 Fraction: < 1 mm > 229 um
50 ml Subsamples: Total 25% 1 2 3 4 5 (Total)4

Oligochaeta		2	1	1		3	
Enchytraeidae							0
Naididae							0
Tubificidae	7						28
Cladocera	0						0
Copepoda	0						0
Ostracoda	0						0
Chironomidae							
Chironomini	1					1	4
Tanytarsini	0						0
Orthocladinae	0						0
Diamesinae	0						0
Tanypodinae	0						0
Chironomid Pupae	0						0
Cladocera	0						0
Copepoda	0						0
Ostracoda	0						0
Nematoda	0						0
Total #	8	2	1	1	0	4	32

Site: ABR	Sample #:	B1	Date:	93/09/17	Fraction:	< 1 mm >	229 um	
50 ml Subsamples:		Total 25%	1	2	3	4	5	(Total)4
Oligochaeta			59	61	53	66	65	
Enchytraeidae								0
Naididae		8						32
Tubificidae		296						1184
Cladocera		27	3	6	6	6	6	108
Copepoda		41	6	4	11	8	12	164
Ostracoda		0						0
Chironomidae								
Chironomini		21	4	3	3	5	6	84
Tanytarsini		14	3	1	1	4	5	56
Orthoclaadiinae		0						0
Diamesinae		0						0
Tanypodinae		2	1			1		8
Chironomid Pupae		0						0
Nematoda		2	1				1	8
Total #		411	77	75	74	90	95	1644

Site: ABR	Sample #:	B2	Date:	93/09/17	Fraction:	< 1mm >	229 um	
50 ml Subsamples:		Total 25%	1	2	3	4	5	(Total)4
Oligochaeta			83	76	92	78	54	
Enchytraeidae								0
Naididae		2						8
Tubificidae		381						1524
Cladocera		61	13	11	12	15	10	244
Copepoda		30	4	7	8	6	5	120
Ostracoda		6	2	2		1	1	24
Chironomidae								
Chironomini		11	4	1	1	3	2	44
Tanytarsini		12		4	3	4	1	48
Orthoclaadiinae		1			1			4
Diamesinae		2		1		1		8
Tanypodinae		0						0
Chironomid Pupae		0						0
Nematoda		4	1	1		1	1	16
Total #		510	107	103	117	109	74	2040

Site: ABR	Sample #:	B3	Date:	93/09/17	Fraction:	< 1 mm >	229 um	
50 ml Subsamples:		Total 25%	1	2	3	4	5	(Total)4
Oligochaeta			21	14	24	19	11	
Enchytraeidae								0
Naididae								0
Tubificidae		89						356
Cladocera		5	1	1	1		2	20
Copepoda		16	3	4	5		4	64
Ostracoda		1	1					4
Chironomidae								
Chironomini		23	7	1	6	5	4	92
Tanytarsini		10	1	4	3	2		40
Orthoclaadiinae		1				1		4

Diamesinae	1		1				4
Tanypodinae	0						0
Chironomid Pupae	0						0
Nematoda	0						0
Total #	146	34	25	39	27	21	584

Site: ABR	Sample #:	B4	Date:	93/09/17	Fraction:	< 1 mm >	229 um	
50 ml Subsamples:		Total 25%	1	2	3	4	5	(Total)4
Oligochaeta			13	18	13	19	13	
Enchytraeidae								0
Naididae	2							8
Tubificidae	74							296
Cladocera	12	1	1	1	2	4	4	48
Copepoda	14	2	2		3	6	3	56
Ostracoda	0							0
Chironomidae								
Chironomini	25	7	6	6	2	3	7	100
Tanytarsini	52	12	8	8	10	12	10	208
Orthocladinae	2		1				1	8
Diamesinae	1						1	4
Tanypodinae	0							0
Chironomid Pupae	0							0
Nematoda	0							0
Total #	182	35	34	34	30	44	39	728

Site: ABR	Sample #:	B5	Date:	93/09/17	Fraction:	< 1 mm >	229 um	
50 ml Subsamples:		Total 25%	1	2	3	4	5	(Total)4
Oligochaeta			4	6	3	5	7	
Enchytraeidae								0
Naididae	6							24
Tubificidae	19							76
Hydracarina	1				1			4
Cladocera	12	2	2	4	3	2	1	48
Copepoda	25	6	6	4	3	5	7	100
Ostracoda	3	2	2			1		12
Chironomidae								
Chironomini	34	7	7	8	4	7	8	136
Tanytarsini	40	6	6	7	8	8	11	160
Orthocladinae	2		1		1			8
Diamesinae	4	1	1		1		2	16
Tanypodinae	0							0
Chironomid Pupae	0							0
Ephemeroptera (small)	1			1				4
Nematoda	1					1		4
Total #	148	28	28	31	24	29	36	592

Site: WB	Sample #:	B1	Date:	93/09/17	Fraction:	< 1 mm >	229 um	
50 ml Subsamples:		Total 25%	1	2	3	4	5	(Total)4
Oligochaeta			67	62	73	78	60	
Enchytraeidae								0

Naididae							0
Tubificidae	340						1360
Cladocera	84	18	26	16	9	15	336
Copepoda	3	1	1	1			12
Ostracoda	10		1	2	4	3	40
Chironomidae							
Chironomini	10	5	1			4	40
Tanytarsini	2			2			8
Orthoclaadiinae	0						0
Diamesinae	0						0
Tanypodinae	0						0
Chironomid Pupae	0						0
Nematoda	0						0
Total #	449	91	91	94	91	82	1796

Site: WB	Sample #:	B2	Date:	93/09/17	Fraction:	< 1mm >	229 um	
50 ml Subsamples:		Total 25%	1	2	3	4	5	(Total)4
Oligochaeta			47	42	64	55	49	
Enchytraeidae								0
Naididae								0
Tubificidae	257							1028
Cladocera	12	1	3	2	5	1	48	
Copepoda	3		2		1		12	
Ostracoda	7	1	2		1	3	28	
Chironomidae								
Chironomini	5		1	3		1	20	
Tanytarsini	5	1	1	1	1	1	20	
Orthoclaadiinae	0						0	
Diamesinae	0						0	
Tanypodinae	3				3		12	
Chironomid Pupae	0						0	
Nematoda	0						0	
Total #	292	50	51	70	66	55	1168	

Site: WB	Sample #:	B3	Date:	93/09/17	Fraction:	< 1 mm >	229 um	
50 ml Subsamples:		Total 25%	1	2	3	4	5	(Total)4
Oligochaeta			44	28	33	37	41	
Enchytraeidae								0
Naididae								0
Tubificidae	183							732
Cladocera	2	1				1	8	
Copepoda	0						0	
Ostracoda	5	1			1	1	20	
Chironomidae								
Chironomini	0						0	
Tanytarsini	2	1			1		8	
Orthoclaadiinae	0						0	
Diamesinae	0						0	
Tanypodinae	4	2	1			1	16	
Chironomid Pupae	0						0	
Nematoda	1			1			4	
Total #	197	49	30	35	40	43	788	

Site: WB	Sample #:	B4	Date:	93/09/17	Fraction:	< 1 mm >	229 um	
50 ml Subsamples:	Total 25%	1	2	3	4	5	(Total)4	
Oligochaeta		56	61	55	60	55		
Enchytraeidae								0
Naididae								0
Tubificidae	287							1148
Cladocera	2		1				1	8
Copepoda	0							0
Ostracoda	4	3					1	16
Chironomidae								
Chironomini	2	2						8
Tanytarsini	1					1		4
Orthoclaadiinae	0							0
Diamesinae	0							0
Tanypodinae	1	1						4
Chironomid Pupae	0							0
Nematoda	0							0
Total #	297	62	62	55	61	57		1188

Site: WB	Sample #:	B5	Date:	93/09/17	Fraction:	< 1 mm >	229 um	
50 ml Subsamples:	Total 25%	1	2	3	4	5	(Total)4	
		*Subsampled(1/4) for identification						
Oligochaeta *		112	127	125	142	132		
Enchytraeidae								0
Naididae								0
Tubificidae	638							2552
Cladocera	19	4	7	4	4			76
Copepoda	0							0
Ostracoda	13	5	2	4	1	1		52
Chironomidae								
Chironomini	8	2	3			2	1	32
Tanytarsini	4	1	1			2		16
Orthoclaadiinae	0							0
Diamesinae	0							0
Tanypodinae	11	3	1			4	3	44
Chironomid Pupae	0							0
Nematoda	5	1	1	1			2	20
Total #	698	128	142	134	155	139		2792

Site: OB	Sample #:	B1	Date:	93/09/16	Fraction:	< 1 mm >	229 um	
50 ml Subsamples:	Total 25%	1	2	3	4	5	(Total)4	
Oligochaeta		15	5	9	13	15		
Enchytraeidae								0
Naididae	6							24
Tubificidae	51							204
Hydracarina	1	1						4
Cladocera	32	9	7	7	6	3		128
Copepoda	4		1	1	1	1		16
Ostracoda	17	6	3	2	4	2		68
Chironomidae								

Chironomini	35	10	6	4	8	7	140
Tanytarsini	35	7	10	6	4	8	140
Orthoclaadiinae	9	4	2	1	2		36
Diamesinae	54	11	15	7	14	7	216
Tanypodinae	1				1		4
Chironomid Pupae	0						0
Empididae							
<i>Chelifera</i>	1					1	4
Sphaeriidae							
<i>Pisidium</i>	1					1	4
Nematoda	5	2				3	20
Total #	252	65	49	37	53	48	1008

Site: OB	Sample #:	B2	Date:	93/09/16	Fraction:	< 1mm >	229 um	
50 ml Subsamples:		Total 25%	1	2	3	4	5	(Total)4
*Subsampled(1/4) for identification								
Oligochaeta *			301	259	284	249	259	
Enchytraeidae								0
Naididae	4							16
Tubificidae	1348							5392
Cladocera	138	34	24	32	17	31		552
Copepoda	5	1				1	3	20
Ostracoda	5	2	1	1			1	20
Chironomidae								
Chironomini	45	10	8	6	11	10		180
Tanytarsini	27	6	5	8	2	6		108
Orthoclaadiinae	6	3		1	2			24
Diamesinae	40	7	8	5	13	7		160
Tanypodinae	1				1			4
Chironomid Pupae	0							0
Emididae								
<i>Chelifera</i>	1	1						4
Nematoda	2		1				1	8
Total #	1622	365	306	337	296	318		6488

Site: OB	Sample #:	B3	Date:	93/09/16	Fraction:	< 1 mm >	229 um	
50 ml Subsamples:		Total 25%	1	2	3	4	5	(Total)4
Oligochaeta			72	95	94	83	77	
Enchytraeidae								0
Naididae	7							28
Tubificidae	414							1656
Cladocera	92	10	22	29	14	17		368
Copepoda	5	1	3				1	20
Ostracoda	8	2			3	1	2	32
Chironomidae								
Chironomini	57	7	10	10	18	12		228
Tanytarsini	14	5	4		4	1		56
Orthoclaadiinae	12	3	3	1	3	2		48
Diamesinae	57	11	8	17	10	11		228
Tanypodinae	1		1					4
Chironomid Pupae	0							0
Sphaeriidae								
<i>Pisidium</i>	1	1						4

Nematoda	3	1		1		1	12
Total #	671	113	146	155	133	124	2684

Site: OB	Sample #:	B4	Date:	93/09/16	Fraction:	< 1 mm >	229 um	
50 ml Subsamples:	Total 25%	1	2	3	4	5	(Total)4	
Oligochaeta			59	50	57	60	52	
Enchytraeidae								0
Naididae	6							24
Tubificidae	272							1088
Hydracarina	5			2	1		2	20
Cladocera	86	15		14	16	19	22	344
Copepoda	5			2	1	1	1	20
Ostracoda	15		8	1	2	3	1	60
Chironomidae								
Chironomini	51	11		12	12	8	8	204
Tanytarsini	46	7		4	7	17	11	184
Orthoclaadiinae	46	11		7	10	13	5	184
Diamesinae	68	17		10	20	10	11	272
Tanypodinae	11	1		3	2	3	2	44
Chironomid Pupae	0							0
Ephemeroptera								
Ephemerellidae	3		2				1	12
Nematoda	1			1				4
Total #	615	131	106	128	134	116	2456	

Site: OB	Sample #:	B5	Date:	93/09/16	Fraction:	< 1 mm >	229 um	
50 ml Subsamples:	Total 25%	1	2	3	4	5	(Total)4	
		*Subsampled(1/4) for identification						
Oligochaeta *			133	105	134	125	107	
Enchytraeidae								0
Naididae								0
Tubificidae	604							2416
Cladocera	165	30		29	49	25	32	660
Copepoda	5	1		1		1	2	20
Ostracoda	6	1		2	1		2	24
Chironomidae								
Chironomini	51	15		5	16	10	5	204
Tanytarsini	33	10		5	7	8	3	132
Orthoclaadiinae	16	4		5	1	5	1	64
Diamesinae	49	8		7	17	9	8	196
Tanypodinae	0							0
Chironomid Pupae	0							0
Sphaeriidae								
<i>Pisidium</i>	2					1	1	8
Nematoda	3	1			1		1	12
Total #	934	203	159	226	184	162	3736	

Site: ARC	Sample #:	B1	Date:	93/09/15	Fraction:	< 1 mm >	229 um	
50 ml Subsamples:	Total 25%	1	2	3	4	5	(Total)4	

Oligochaeta						1		
Enchytraeidae								0

Naididae							0
Tubificidae	1						4
Cladocera	32	7	6	3	8	8	128
Copepoda	14	5	4	1	2	2	56
Ostracoda	0						0
Chironomidae							
Chironomini	6	1	1		2	2	24
Tanytarsini	29	6	4	9	3	7	116
Orthocladinae	8	4		1	3		32
Diamesinae	13	3	2	2	2	4	52
Tanytopodinae	0						0
Chironomid Pupae	0						0
Empididae	2	1	1				8
Ephemeroptera							
<i>Baetis</i>	1			1			4
Nematoda	0						0
Total #	106	27	18	17	20	24	424

Site: ARC	Sample #:	B2	Date:	93/09/15	Fraction:	< 1mm >	229 um	
50 ml Subsamples:	Total 25%	1	2	3	4	5	(Total)4	

Oligochaeta			1	1			
Enchytraeidae							0
Naididae	1						4
Tubificidae	1						4
Hydracarina	1	1					4
Cladocera	27	9	5	4	2	7	108
Copepoda	9	1		1	2	5	36
Ostracoda	21	4	2	3	4	8	84
Chironomidae							
Chironomini	16	3	5	1	4	3	64
Tanytarsini	38	11	5	5	12	5	152
Orthocladinae	5		2	1		2	20
Diamesinae	22	3	5	2	7	5	88
Tanytopodinae	3	2		1			12
Chironomid Pupae	0						0
Nematoda	5	1			1	3	20
Total #	149	35	25	19	32	38	596

Site: ARC	Sample #:	B3	Date:	93/09/15	Fraction:	< 1 mm >	229 um	
50 ml Subsamples:	Total 25%	1	2	3	4	5	(Total)4	

Oligochaeta			1		1		
Enchytraeidae							0
Naididae							0
Tubificidae	2						8
Hydracarina	2				1	1	8
Cladocera	24	7	5	3	4	5	96
Copepoda	10	2	1	2	3	2	40
Ostracoda	11	3	1	1	2	4	44
Chironomidae							
Chironomini	22	3	4	3	5	7	88
Tanytarsini	24	4	3	5	5	7	96
Orthocladinae	16	6	4	3	1	2	64

Diamesinae	29	7	5	3	6	8	116
Tanypodinae	0						0
Chironomid Pupae	0						0
Nematoda	7	1	2	1	2	1	28
Total #	147	33	26	21	30	37	588

Site: ARC	Sample #:	B4	Date:	93/09/15	Fraction:	< 1 mm >	229 um	
50 ml Subsamples:		Total 25%	1	2	3	4	5	(Total)4
Oligochaeta					1	2	2	
Enchytraeidae								0
Naididae	1							4
Tubificidae	4							16
Cladocera	40	5	10	13	7	5		160
Copepoda	13	4	4	3		2		52
Ostracoda	41	8	7	5	13	8		164
Chironomidae								
Chironomini	13	4	1	2	2	4		52
Tanytarsini	29	11	4	2	7	5		116
Orthocladinae	5	3			2			20
Diamesinae	33	14	9	4	4	2		132
Tanypodinae	2			2				8
Chironomid Pupae	0							0
Nematoda	3					3		12
Total #	184	49	35	32	40	28		736

Site: ARC	Sample #:	B5	Date:	93/09/15	Fraction:	< 1 mm >	229 um	
50 ml Subsamples:		Total 25%	1	2	3	4	5	(Total)4
Oligochaeta			2	2		3	3	
Enchytraeidae								0
Naididae	1							4
Tubificidae	9							36
Cladocera	92	15	15	18	23	21		368
Copepoda	24	5	2	5	6	6		96
Ostracoda	72	9	21	16	15	11		288
Chironomidae								
Chironomini	14	2	8	2	1	1		56
Tanytarsini	60	13	16	7	13	11		240
Orthocladinae	21	2	6	4	8	1		84
Diamesinae	23	2	4	5	7	5		92
Tanypodinae	2	1			1			8
Chironomid Pupae	0							0
Nematoda	0							0
Total #	318	51	74	57	77	59		1272

Site: ARC2	Sample #:	B1	Date:	93/09/15	Fraction:	< 1 mm >	229 um	
50 ml Subsamples:		Total 25%	1	2	3	4	5	(Total)4
Oligochaeta			10	6	13	11	11	
Enchytraeidae								0
Naididae	1							4
Tubificidae	50							200

Hydracarina	2			1	1		8
Cladocera	68	18	12	13	8	17	272
Copepoda	4	3			1		16
Ostracoda	16	6	1	1	8		64
Chironomidae							
Chironomini	28	9	4	6	5	4	112
Tanytarsini	69	21	11	10	17	10	276
Orthoclaadiinae	12	3		2		7	48
Diamesinae	30	4	5	8	7	6	120
Tanypodinae	2	1	1				8
Chironomid Pupae	1		1				4
Nematoda	4	2		2			16
Total #	287	77	41	56	58	55	1148

Site: ARC2	Sample #:	B2	Date:	93/09/15	Fraction:	< 1mm >	229 um	
50 ml Subsamples:		Total 25%	1	2	3	4	5	(Total)4
Oligochaeta			7	10	7	5	6	
Enchytraeidae								0
Naididae								0
Tubificidae		35						140
Hydracarina		1		1				4
Cladocera		48	8	8	7	10	15	192
Copepoda		4	1	1		1	1	16
Ostracoda		6	3		1	1	1	24
Chironomidae								
Chironomini		38	3	9	3	7	16	152
Tanytarsini		36	8	9	10	4	5	144
Orthoclaadiinae		16	1	5	4	2	4	64
Diamesinae		17	2	1	3	5	6	68
Tanypodinae		1		1				4
Chironomid Pupae		0						0
Plecoptera (small)		1	1					4
Nematoda		0						0
Total #		203	34	45	35	35	54	812

Site: ARC 2	Sample #:	B3	Date:	93/09/15	Fraction:	< 1 mm >	229 um	
50 ml Subsamples:		Total 25%	1	2	3	4	5	(Total)4
Oligochaeta			1			1		
Enchytraeidae								0
Naididae		1						4
Tubificidae		1						4
Cladocera		30	6	10	6	4	4	120
Copepoda		0						0
Ostracoda		19	7	2	3	5	2	76
Chironomidae								
Chironomini		34	11	9	5	6	3	136
Tanytarsini		88	30	23	11	14	10	352
Orthoclaadiinae		8	2	2	1	1	2	32
Diamesinae		6	1	1		3	1	24
Tanypodinae		0						0
Chironomid Pupae		0						0
Nematoda		2	1	1				8

Total # 189 59 48 26 34 22 756

Site: ARC2	Sample #:	B4	Date:	93/09/15	Fraction:	< 1 mm >	229 um	
50 ml Subsamples:		Total 25%	1	2	3	4	5	(Total)4
Oligochaeta			1			1		
Enchytraeidae								0
Naididae		1						4
Tubificidae		1						4
Cladocera		51	8	7	13	13	10	204
Copepoda		1			1			4
Ostracoda		20	2	3	3	6	6	80
Chironomidae								
Chironomini		24	6	3	5	6	4	96
Tanytarsini		84	15	18	17	18	16	336
Orthoclaadiinae		19	3	6	3	3	4	76
Diamesinae		8	4		2	1	1	32
Tanypodinae		1	1					4
Chironomid Pupae		0						0
Nematoda		0						0
Total #		210	40	37	44	48	41	840

Site: ARC2	Sample #:	B5	Date:	93/09/15	Fraction:	< 1 mm >	229 um	
50 ml Subsamples:		Total 25%	1	2	3	4	5	(Total)4
Oligochaeta			6	6	8	9	13	
Enchytraeidae								0
Naididae		1						4
Tubificidae		41						164
Cladocera		63	9	9	15	14	16	252
Copepoda		3	1		1		1	12
Ostracoda		20	3	4	4	4	5	80
Chironomidae								
Chironomini		25	5	4	5	4	7	100
Tanytarsini		49	8	9	11	6	15	196
Orthoclaadiinae		18	2	3	3	4	6	72
Diamesinae		13	2	4	2	2	3	52
Tanypodinae		1			1			4
Chironomid Pupae		0						0
Nematoda		3	3					12
Total #		237	39	39	50	43	66	948

Site: HB	Sample #:	B1	Date:	93/06/15	Fraction:	< 1 mm >	229 um	
50 ml Subsamples:		Total 25%	1	2	3	4	5	(Total)4
Oligochaeta			6	5	12	10	8	
Enchytraeidae								0
Naididae		3						12
Tubificidae		38						152
Cladocera		9			3	3	3	36
Copepoda		9			6	1	2	36
Ostracoda		7	2	2	1	1	1	28
Chironomidae								

Chironomini	6			4	2		24
Tanytarsini	4	1	1	1	1		16
Orthocladinae	6	2			2	2	24
Diamesinae	4			3	1		16
Tanypodinae	0						0
Chironomid Pupae	0						0
Nematoda	4	1	1		2		16
Total #	90	12	9	30	23	16	360

Site: HB	Sample #:	B2	Date:	93/09/15	Fraction:	< 1mm >	229 um	
50 ml Subsamples:		Total 25%	1	2	3	4	5	(Total)4
Oligochaeta			2	2	2	3	3	
Enchytraeidae								0
Naididae	2							8
Tubificidae	10							40
Cladocera	11	8	2		1			44
Copepoda	10	8			2			40
Ostracoda	29	3	5		3	12	6	116
Chironomidae								
Chironomini	6	2	2		1	1		24
Tanytarsini	4					2	2	16
Orthocladinae	7	3	1			3		28
Diamesinae	7	1	2		2	1	1	28
Tanypodinae	4	2	1			1		16
Chironomid Pupae	0							0
Nematoda	4	2	2					16
Total #	94	31	17		11	23	12	376

Site: HB	Sample #:	B3	Date:	93/09/15	Fraction:	< 1 mm >	229 um	
50 ml Subsamples:		Total 25%	1	2	3	4	5	(Total)4
Oligochaeta			2	5	4	7	2	
Enchytraeidae								0
Naididae	1							4
Tubificidae	19							76
Cladocera	27	5	8		3	5	6	108
Copepoda	64	23	11		14	5	11	256
Ostracoda	61	15	13		13	7	13	244
Chironomidae								
Chironomini	23	6	3		4	8	2	92
Tanytarsini	20	2	5		3	6	4	80
Orthocladinae	40	10	7		9	7	7	160
Diamesinae	28	6	7		4	6	5	112
Tanypodinae	14	4	5		1	1	3	56
Chironomid Pupae	0							0
Nematoda	4	3			1			16
Total #	301	76	64		56	52	53	1204

Site: HB	Sample #:	B4	Date:	93/09/15	Fraction:	< 1 mm >	229 um	
50 ml Subsamples:		Total 25%	1	2	3	4	5	(Total)4
Oligochaeta			7	2	12	8	11	

Enchytraeidae							0
Naididae	2						8
Tubificidae	38						152
Hydracarina	1			1			4
Cladocera	14		3	4	3	4	56
Copepoda	51	9	11	12	11	8	204
Ostracoda	37	5	5	6	11	10	148
Chironomidae							
Chironomini	26	6	5	4	4	7	104
Tanytarsini	21	4	8	3	3	3	84
Orthocladinae	20	3	3	6	1	7	80
Diamesinae	13	4	4	1	2	2	52
Tanypodinae	4		1		1	2	16
Chironomid Pupae	0						0
Nematoda	5	1	1		1	2	20
Total #	232	39	43	49	45	56	928

Site: HB	Sample #:	B5	Date:	93/09/15	Fraction:	< 1 mm >	229 um	
50 ml Subsamples:		Total 25%	1	2	3	4	5	(Total)4
Oligochaeta			13	16	11	7	12	
Enchytraeidae								0
Naididae								0
Tubificidae	59							236
Cladocera	58	9		14	14	13	8	232
Copepoda	26	5		1	6	8	6	104
Ostracoda	45	5		10	11	9	10	180
Chironomidae								
Chironomini	20	7		4	1	5	3	80
Tanytarsini	20	5		3	2	6	4	80
Orthocladinae	24	6		2	4	4	8	96
Diamesinae	20	5		1	7	5	2	80
Tanypodinae	4	1		1	1		1	16
Chironomid Pupae	0							0
Chironomid Adult	1	1						4
Corixidae	1					1		4
Nematoda	6			2	2	2		24
Total #	284	57		54	59	60	54	1136

Site: EL	Sample #:	B1	Date:	93/09/16	Fraction:	< 1 mm >	229 um	
50 ml Subsamples:		Total 25%	1	2	3	4	5	(Total)4
Oligochaeta			36	27	25	16	15	
Enchytraeidae								0
Naididae	7							28
Tubificidae	112							448
Hydracarina	2				1		1	8
Cladocera	120	32		27	25	21	15	480
Copepoda	1			1				4
Ostracoda	4			2		1	1	16
Chironomidae								
Chironomini	34	10		6	13	4	1	136
Tanytarsini	2					2		8
Orthocladinae	4	1			1	1	1	16

Diamesinae	40	9	5	10	12	4	160
Tanypodinae	9	1	3	2	1	2	36
Chironomid Pupae	0						0
Ephemereididae	1			1			4
Nematoda	0						0
Total #	336	89	71	78	58	40	1344

Site: EL	Sample #:	B2	Date:	93/09/16	Fraction:	< 1mm >	229 um	
50 ml Subsamples:		Total 25%	1	2	3	4	5	(Total)4
Oligochaeta			52	53	41	50	52	
Enchytraeidae								0
Naididae	3							12
Tubificidae	245							980
Hydracarina	2			1			1	8
Cladocera	150		40	27	25	32	26	600
Copepoda	2			1	1			8
Ostracoda	6		1	2	1		2	24
Chironomidae								
Chironomini	66		10	21	22	3	10	264
Tanytarsini	5		3		2			20
Orthoclaadiinae	4		2	2				16
Diamesinae	51		17	9	13	6	6	204
Tanypodinae	9		1	3	3	1	1	36
Chironomid Pupae	0							0
Ephemereididae	1						1	4
Nematoda	3				2	1		12
Total #	547		126	119	110	93	99	2188

Site: EL	Sample #:	B3	Date:	93/09/16	Fraction:	< 1 mm >	229 um	
50 ml Subsamples:		Total 25%	1	2	3	4	5	(Total)4
Oligochaeta			83	69	81	74	91	
Enchytraeidae								0
Naididae	3							12
Tubificidae	395							1580
Hydracarina	2			1			1	8
Cladocera	87		25	11	13	20	18	348
Copepoda	3		1	1	1			12
Ostracoda	11		4		2	2	3	44
Chironomidae								
Chironomini	64		14	17	11	6	16	256
Tanytarsini	3			1	1		1	12
Orthoclaadiinae	5		1	3			1	20
Diamesinae	52		11	10	11	12	8	208
Tanypodinae	1					1		4
Chironomid Pupae	0							0
Ephemereididae	1						1	4
Nematoda	1					1		4
Total #	628		139	113	120	116	140	2512

Site: EL	Sample #:	B4	Date:	93/09/16	Fraction:	< 1 mm >	229 um	
50 ml Subsamples:		Total 25%	1	2	3	4	5	(Total)4

Oligochaeta		18	20	22	11	16	
Enchytraeidae							0
Naididae							0
Tubificidae	87						348
Hydracarina	2		2				8
Cladocera	16	1	4	4	2	5	64
Copepoda	0						0
Ostracoda	3			1	2		12
Chironomidae							
Chironomini	57	10	18	6	10	13	228
Tanytarsini	8	1	1	5	1		32
Orthocladinae	8	2	3	1	1	1	32
Diamesinae	42	10	10	5	6	11	168
Tanypodinae	9	2	1	2	1	3	36
Chironomid Pupae	0						0
Empididae							
Chelifera	1		1				4
Nematoda	1		1				4
Total #	234	44	61	46	34	49	936

Site: EL	Sample #:	B5	Date:	93/09/16	Fraction:	< 1 mm >	229 um	
50 ml Subsamples:		Total 25%	1	2	3	4	5	(Total)4
Oligochaeta			53	46	47	42	43	
Enchytraeidae								0
Naididae	2							8
Tubificidae	229							916
Hydracarina	3	2	2	1				12
Cladocera	49	11	11	13	5	11	9	196
Copepoda	0							0
Ostracoda	3	2	2	1				12
Chironomidae								
Chironomini	62	15	15	12	12	10	13	248
Tanytarsini	11	3	3	2	1	3	2	44
Orthocladinae	6	2	2	2		1	1	24
Diamesinae	51	13	13	21	10	4	3	204
Tanypodinae	7	5	5		1		1	28
Chironomid Pupae	0							0
Nematoda	0							0
Total #	423	106	106	98	76	71	72	1692

APPENDIX D: FIELD NOTES REGARDING SAMPLE COLLECTION

This appendix comprises extracts from field notes regarding benthos sample collections that were conducted by Bob Crosley, Ecological Research Division, Environment Canada, Calgary, Alberta.

D.1 Benthos Collection, May, 1993

Main stem Athabasca River bottom sediments and benthos were collected during the period May 5-7, 1993. Sampling was done in depositional areas located within 1-2 kilometers of the suspended sediment collection locations. The sampling locations were in small bays or backwaters behind gravel bars or islands, typified by sandy beds overlain with varying thicknesses of silt-clay material interspersed with layers of organic debris.

A stainless steel Ekman dredge (152 mm x 152 mm x 152 mm) with operating handle was used for all collections. The dredge was pressed gently into the bottom sediments at each site to a depth of approximately 50-75 mm.

For benthos samples the dredge contents were transferred into a nylon sieve net (approx. 450 mm x 600 mm) and washed to remove as much inorganic matter and organic debris as possible. The washed sample was carefully transferred to a 500 mL glass, wide-mouth container (2-3 wash steps) and preserved with adequate quantities of formalin. Five replicates were sampled at each location. Samples were labelled with the site label, benthos, a sequential number and date (eg ARC-Benthos -1 93/May/5).

1. Athabasca River u/s Hinton

Site label: ARC
Date/Time: May 5, 1993; 0900 hrs
Notes: Sampled right side 100 m. above Maskuta Ck. General backwater along right, high bank left, muddy beach left. Sandy silt over detritus.

2. Athabasca River at Weldwood Haul Bridge

Site label: ARWHB
Date/Time: May 5, 1993; 1200 hrs
Notes: Approx. 1 km below Weldwood Haul Bridge right bank opposite Fish Ck. Small bay sand overlain with brown silt-clay 1 cm thick. Worm burrows. Petroleum (?) leaching from mud banks in area.

3. Athabasca River at Obed

Site label: AROB

Date/Time: May 3, 1993; 1600 hrs

Notes: Small rock bay 1 km. below Obed bridge right side. Near Baseline Ck. Small amount silt overlying sand. Numerous worms.

4. Athabasca River at Emerson Lakes

Site label: AREL

Date/Time: May 5, 1993; 1830 hrs

Notes: Approx. 2 km below bridge left side. Small bay causing backwater. 2 cm silt over sandy silt. Sandy beach.

5. Athabasca River u/s Berland River

Site label: ARBer

Date/Time: May 6, 1993; 1100 hrs

Notes: Approx. 1 km above Berland R. in splits area. In lee of large island, three channels in area. Thin layer silt overlaying sand. Some fines silt-clay up to 4 cm thick.

6. Athabasca River at Windfall

Site label: ARW

Date/Time: May 6, 1993; 1430 hrs

Notes: Approx. 2 km below bridge right side behind large bar. Mud beach, high sand with layer of silt.

7. Athabasca River near Blue Ridge

Site label: ARBR

Date/Time: May 6, 1993; 1730 hrs

Notes: Approx. 500 meters below bridge right side behind gravel bar. Silty sand in backwater, ice remaining at edge.

8. Athabasca River at Athabasca

Site label: ARAthab

Date/Time: May 7, 1993; 1100 hrs

Notes: 1.5 km below bridge left side in bay behind gravel bar. Silt layer over sand. Little benthic life. Some organic debris.

D.2 Benthos Collection, September, 1993

In the fall of 1993 depositional bottom sediments and benthos were collected from the RSS reach of the Athabasca River for the Triad study by Kristin Day and Trevor Reynoldson (projects 2326-C1, 2327-C1 and 2328-C1).

Benthos samples were collected during the period September 15-17, 1993, at seven locations in the RSS reach. All samples were collected in five-replicate using a stainless steel Ekmann dredge. Organic analysis collection protocols were used.

Samples for benthic invertebrate community structure were screened through a 210 um dip net and preserved in formalin.

1. Athabasca River u/s Hinton (Control 1)

Labels: ARC-B-1, 2, 3, 4, 5
Date/Time: 15 September 93 0900 Hrs
Site Description: 200 meters above Maskuta Creek right side in open bay. No bar to main current. Silt with organic layers.

2. Athabasca River u/s Hinton (Control 2)

Labels: ARC2-B-1, 2, 3, 4, 5
Date/Time: 15 September 93 1100 Hrs
Site Description: in protected bay just downstream of ARC, more sand and less organic debris than first control site.

3. Athabasca River near Weldwood Haul Bridge

Labels: HB-B-1, 2, 3, 4, 5
Date/Time: 15 September 93 1400 Hrs
Site Description: same site as May (637202) across from small creek approx. 1 km below bridge. Open bay, little sand, wood chips and fibre in substrate.

4. Athabasca River near Obed Bridge

Labels: OB-B-1, 2, 3, 4, 5
Date/Time: 16 September 93 1000 Hrs
Site Description: same bay as collected during May (767312), 1 km below bridge right side. More silt than at previous sites. Organic debris 3 cm below surface.

5. Athabasca River near Emerson Lakes Bridge

Labels: EL-B-1, 2, 3, 4, 5
Date/Time: 16 September 93 1400 Hrs
Site Description: left side approximately 300 meters below May location (095827).
Open bay with sandy beach.

6. Athabasca River above Berland River

Labels: BR-B-1, 2, 3, 4, 5
Date/Time: 17 September 93 1100 Hrs
Site Description: sampled in bay 750 meters above Berland River (250 meters below previous site). Shallow, fairly sandy, numerous emerging and in-place invertebrates.

7. Athabasca River near Windfall Bridge

Labels: WB-B-1, 2, 3, 4, 5
Date/Time: 17 September 93 1300 Hrs
Site Description: same site as May (623060), 2 km below bridge right side. Very good depositional zone. Fines in abundance. Numerous invertebrates.

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