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## 1.0 INTRODUCTION

The Parr Fairfield Hydroelectric Project (FERC No. 1894) ("Parr Fairfield Project" or "Project"), owned and operated by the South Carolina Electric & Gas Company ("SCE&G" or "Licensee"), is seeking a new license from the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission ("FERC"), as their current license is set to expire on June 30, 2020. The Parr Fairfield Project consists of two developments, including the Parr Hydro Development and the Fairfield Pumped Storage Development.

The Parr Reservoir, located in Fairfield and Newberry counties, South Carolina, is a 4,400 acre impoundment formed by the Broad River and the Parr Shoals Dam and serves as the lower reservoir for the Fairfield Pumped Storage Development. Monticello Reservoir, a 6,800 acre impoundment is formed by a series of four earthen dams and serves as the upper reservoir for the pumped storage development. While the stretch of the Broad River downstream of the Parr Shoals Dam (Parr Dam) is not included in the Project Boundary Line (PBL), Project operations do influence this area. For this reason, this downstream area, specifically the west bank area of the Broad River immediately downstream of the Parr Dam, is being examined for water quality.

The Project is currently involved in a relicensing process which involves cooperation and collaboration between SCE&G as licensee and a variety of stakeholders including state and federal resource agencies, state and local government, non-governmental organizations (NGO), and interested individuals. The collaboration and cooperation is essential to the identification of and treatment of operational, economic, and environmental issues associated with a new operating license for the Project. SCE&G has established several Technical Working Committees (TWCs) with members from among the interested stakeholders with the objective of achieving consensus regarding the identification and proper treatment of these issues in the context of a new license. A Water Quality TWC was formed to address any potential water

quality issues associated with the Project, and is comprised of a variety of stakeholders, including the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service ("USFWS"), the National Marine Fisheries Service ("NMFS"), the South Carolina Department of Health and Environmental Control ("SCDHEC") and the South Carolina Department of Natural Resources ("SCDNR"), among others. During issues scoping, the TWC identified the west bank area of the Broad River below the Parr Dam as a potential area in need of water quality study. SCDNR expressed concern over the water quality, specifically dissolved oxygen (DO) levels, in this area of the Broad River during the warmer months. While existing water quality data does not display a dissolved oxygen issue over the Project Area generally, SCDNR wants to examine this west bank area more closely.

## 2.0 STUDY OBJECTIVES

The objective of this survey is to assess the water quality, specifically DO levels, of the west channel of the Broad River, immediately downstream the Parr Dam.

# 3.0 GEOGRAPHIC AND TEMPORAL SCOPE

The Broad River immediately downstream of the Parr Dam is naturally divided by Hampton Island, creating an eastern and western channel along the length of the island, approximately 1.25 miles. Water quality will be monitored at three sites along the western channel, including just downstream of the Parr Dam, midway down Hampton Island near the Highway 213 bridge, and at the lower extent of the western channel, just upstream of the confluence. A fourth site will be monitored as a control, and will be located along the eastern channel, at the approximate midpoint of the island. The monitoring sites are shown below in Figure 1.

The study will take place beginning April 1, 2015 and extend through November 30, 2015.

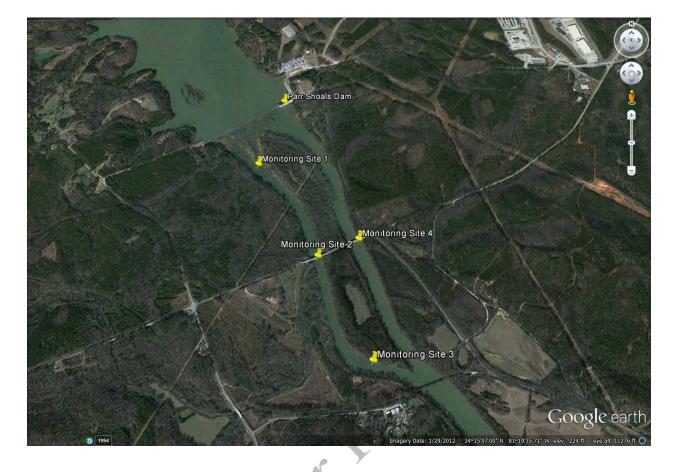


FIGURE 1 WATER QUALITY IN DOWNSTREAM WEST CHANNEL MONITORING SITES

# 4.0 COLLECTION METHODS AND ANALYSIS

Water quality will be monitored in the west channel area of the Broad River for temperature and DO using a HOBO U26 Dissolved Oxygen Logger (or similar type instrument). The loggers will be deployed at the four monitoring sites and attached to floats and weights to allow for suspension at approximate mid-depth in the river channel. The loggers will be calibrated according to the manufacturer's specifications and will be set to collect temperature and DO data on hourly intervals. Data will be downloaded on a monthly basis using manufacturer's software and compiled at the end of the monitoring season.

Additionally, a calibrated YSI meter will be used to collect DO, water temperature, and conductivity once a month when data is downloaded from the HOBO loggers at each monitoring site. A separate calibrated pH meter will also be used once a month to collect pH readings at each monitoring site.

# 5.0 SCHEDULE

The loggers will be deployed at the four monitoring sites on or around April 1, 2015 and will collect data for approximately eight months. The loggers will be checked monthly during the study period. This study may be extended based on a review of the results from the initial eight month period as determined by the Water Quality TWC.

Within 120 days of the close of field work, a final report summarizing the study findings will be issued. Study methodology, timing and duration may be adjusted based on consultation with resource agencies and interested stakeholders.

## 6.0 USE OF STUDY RESULTS

Study results will be used as an information resource during the discussion of relicensing issues with all Water Quality TWC relicensing stakeholders.

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# WATER QUALITY IN DOWNSTREAM WEST CHANNEL STUDY REPORT

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## 1.0 INTRODUCTION

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A Water Quality TWC was formed to address potential water quality issues associated with the Project, and is comprised of a variety of stakeholders, including the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS), the National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS), the South Carolina Department of Health and Environmental Control (SCDHEC) and the South Carolina Department of Natural Resources (SCDNR), among others. During issues scoping, the TWC identified the west channel area of the Broad River downstream of the Parr Dam as a potential area in need of water quality study. SCDNR expressed concern regarding low dissolved oxygen (DO) levels in this area of the Broad River during the warmer months.

SCE&G developed a study plan to assess the water quality, specifically dissolved oxygen (DO) levels, of the west channel of the Broad River, immediately downstream the Parr Dam.

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## 2.0 STUDY AREA

The Broad River immediately downstream of the Parr Dam is naturally divided by Hampton Island, creating an eastern and western channel along the length of the island, which is approximately 1.25 miles. Water temperature and DO were monitored at three sites along the western channel, including just downstream of the Parr Dam, midway down Hampton Island near the Highway 213 bridge, and at the lower extent of the western channel, just upstream of the confluence with the Broad River main channel. A fourth site was monitored as a control, and was located along the eastern channel, at the approximate mid-point of the island. The monitoring sites are shown below in Figure 2-1.

The study took place beginning April 1, 2015 and extended through October 15, 2015. The study was originally scheduled to extend through November 30, 2015, however due to extreme high flows and flooding in early October, HOBO monitors were removed from the river soon after high flows subsided, to ensure data would not be lost during another high flow event.

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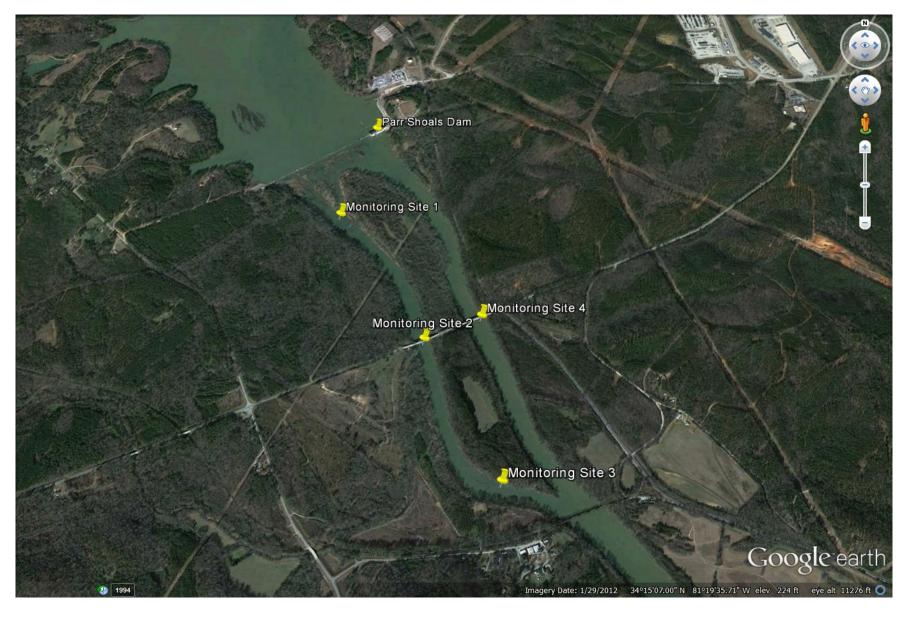


FIGURE 2-1 WATER QUALITY IN DOWNSTREAM WEST CHANNEL MONITORING SITES

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## 3.0 COLLECTION METHODS

Water temperature and DO were monitored in the west channel area of the Broad River using HOBO U26 Dissolved Oxygen Loggers. The loggers were deployed at the four monitoring sites on March 31, 2015 and were attached to floats and concrete weights to allow for suspension at approximate mid-depth in the river channel. The loggers were calibrated according to the manufacturer's specifications and were set to collect temperature and DO data on hourly intervals. The logger manufacturer, Onset, specifies that the dissolved oxygen monitors have an accuracy of +/- 0.2 mg/L. Data were downloaded on a monthly basis using manufacturer's software and compiled at the end of the monitoring season. DO data werer also obtained from the USGS gage at Jenkinsville (2160991), which is located immediately downstream of the Parr Shoals Dam and powerhouse, on the east side of the channel.

Additionally, a calibrated YSI meter was used to collect DO and water temperature approximately once a month when data were downloaded from the HOBO loggers at each monitoring site.

Although the loggers were originally planned to be deployed through November, they were removed from the river in mid-October, following a series of heavy rain events that resulted in extreme flooding throughout the Broad River and the midlands of South Carolina. Due to the flooding, the logger located in the east channel was lost, along with the data it collected during September and October.

Data is also missing from the loggers located in the middle west channel and in the lower west channel, from late June through mid-July (middle west channel) and mid-June through late June (lower west channel). The loggers malfunctioned and had to be sent to the manufacturer for repair. The same loggers malfunctioned again in late July, and one day of data were lost at each site.

After the loggers were initially deployed, during the first download, it was obvious that the upper west channel logger was located in a poor area, where it was subject to extreme fouling from algae, sediments, and occasional de-watering. On May 11, the logger was removed from its initial location, cleaned, and re-deployed at a spot a few feet away, in a deeper pool. The logger remained in this location for the remainder of the study. Additionally during the first download,

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the logger located in the east channel was found on the bank, de-watered. The logger was redeployed deeper in the east channel downstream of a bridge piling, and re-secured with weights and buoys to ensure it would stay underwater. The logger remained in this location for the remainder of the study, until it was lost during the fall flood. Although the logger remained in this position, at the end of the study data collected by this logger was deemed unreliable, due to interference from the bridge piling, collected debris, and susceptibility to algal growth. Because of this, data collected by the USGS gage at Jenkinsville (2160991) was added to the report to act as a control. The gage is located downstream of the Parr Project powerhouse, in the east channel.

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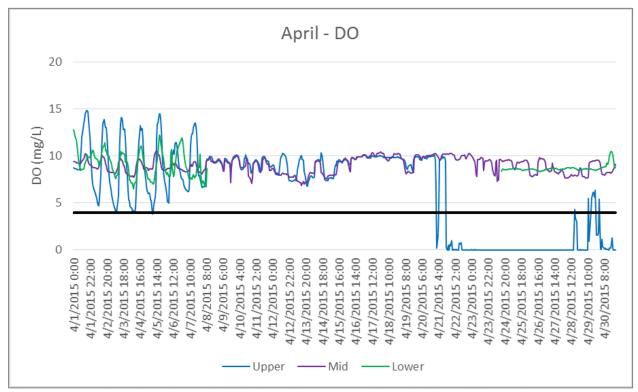
## 4.0 RESULTS

A summary of DO data collected each month is included in the following sections. Detailed temperature and DO data for each site is included in Appendix A.

## 4.1 APRIL

During the month of April (Figure 4-1; Figure 4-2; Table 4-1), DO levels at the upper west channel and east channel locations were not accurately collected. This is associated with poor site selection for the monitors and periodic dewatering. However, DO at the middle west channel and lower west channel locations reflected expected values for that time of year. DO levels were well above the DHEC instantaneous standard of 4.0 mg/L (SCDHEC 2012).

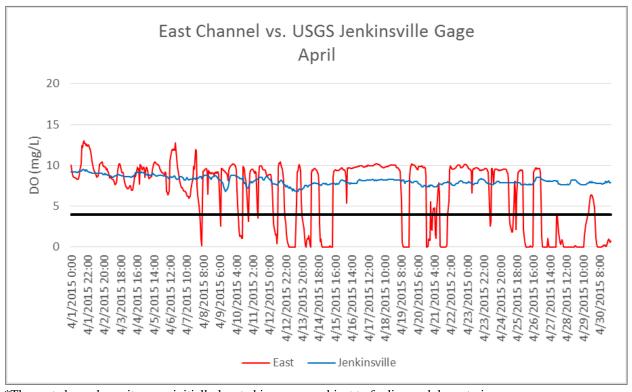
FIGURE 4-1 DISSOLVED OXYGEN AT THE UPPER, MIDDLE, AND LOWER WEST CHANNEL LOCATIONS – APRIL 2015



<sup>\*</sup>The upper west channel monitor was initially located in an area subject to fouling and de-watering.

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FIGURE 4-2 DISSOLVED OXYGEN AT THE EAST CHANNEL AND THE USGS JENKINSVILLE GAGE 2160991 – APRIL 2015



<sup>\*</sup>The east channel monitor was initially located in an area subject to fouling and de-watering.

TABLE 4-1 MAXIMUM, MINIMUM AND AVERAGE TEMPERATURES AND DISSOLVED OXYGEN FOR APRIL

April								
	Т	emperatur	·e	Dissolved Oxygen				
	Max	Min	Ave	Max	Min	Ave		
Upper West	77.3	55.7	65.3	14.8	0.0	6.3		
Middle West	70.0	58.6	64.5	10.6	6.9	9.0		
Lower West	76.8	59.0	68.9	12.8	6.5	8.9		
East	71.5	58.5	65.0	13.0	0.0	6.8		
Jenkinsville	69.8	58.3	64.6	9.5	6.8	8.1		

### 4.2 MAY

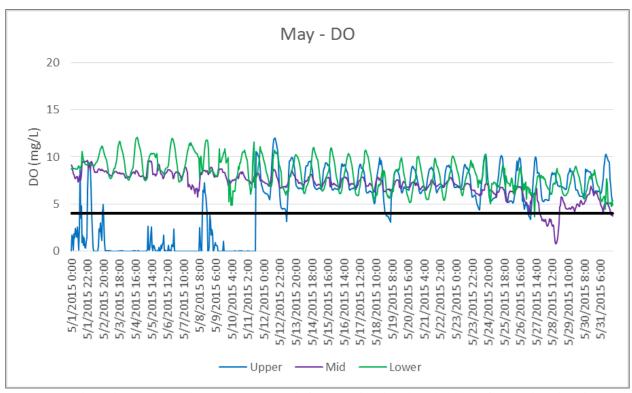
The first data download occurred on May 11, 2015. At this time, the loggers located at the upper west channel and the east channel were cleaned and relocated due to fouling and de-watering vulnerability. After May 11<sup>th</sup>, all four loggers appeared to be collecting accurate data. Diel

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fluctuations at all sites were apparent, with DO at all sites ranging each day from approximately 5 to 10 mg/L (Figure 4-3; Figure 4-4; Table 4-2). DO occasionally dipped below the instantaneous minimum of 4.0 mg/L at the upper and middle west channel sites and once on the east channel site.

On the east channel, the Jenkinsville data and the east channel HOBO monitor data follow a similar diel pattern, however the east channel monitor exhibited a greater daily range in DO levels. This is likely caused by the east channel monitor being located in an area with less water exchange that was more susceptible to algal and aquatic plant growth, which might cause greater swings in DO throughout a normal day.

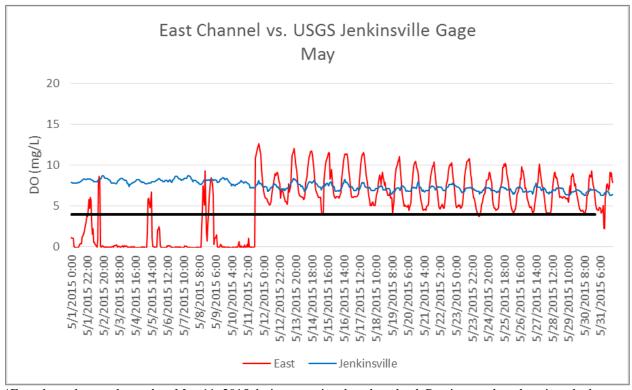
FIGURE 4-3 DISSOLVED OXYGEN AT THE UPPER, MIDDLE, AND LOWER WEST CHANNEL LOCATIONS – MAY 2015



<sup>\*</sup>Upper west channel was relocated on May 11, 2015 during a routine data download. Previous to the relocation, the logger was subject to fouling and de-watering.

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FIGURE 4-4 DISSOLVED OXYGEN AT THE EAST CHANNEL LOCATION AND USGS
JENKINSVILLE GAGE 2160991 – MAY 2015



<sup>\*</sup>East channel was relocated on May 11, 2015 during a routine data download. Previous to the relocation, the logger was subject to fouling and de-watering.

TABLE 4-2 MAXIMUM, MINIMUM, AND AVERAGE TEMPERATURES AND DISSOLVED OXYGEN FOR MAY

May								
	Т	Temperature			Dissolved Oxygen			
	Max	Min	Ave	Max	Min	Ave		
Upper West	86.5	63.5	73.5	12.0	0.0	5.0		
Middle West	81.4	64.2	72.5	9.6	0.7	7.0		
Lower West	82.0	63.8	74.2	12.1	3.6	8.2		
East	85.8	62.9	73.9	12.6	0.0	5.0		
Jenkinsville	81.1	64.0	73.0	8.7	6.3	7.4		

### **4.3 June**

DO followed the same pattern at all logger sites through mid-June (Figure 4-5; Figure 4-6; Table 4-3), as air and water temperatures began to rise. As temperatures rose, DO levels ranged

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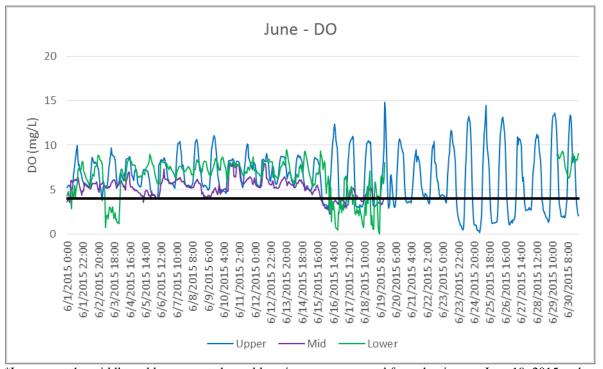
from approximately 14 mg/L down to 1 mg/L at the upper west channel location. DO levels at the east channel location appeared to continue the same diel pattern observed during May. The pronounced swings in DO levels (especially in the upper west channel) are likely a result of heavy algal growth on the monitors. Technicians noted that on the days of downloading data several of the monitors were completely wrapped in dense layers of filamentous algae.

Data were downloaded from all loggers on June 19, 2015. Loggers at the middle and lower west channel locations malfunctioned during downloading and had to be sent to the manufacturer for repair. No data were collected at these sites during the repair process.

When data were downloaded on June 19<sup>th</sup>, DO and temperature were recorded with a YSI meter at each site at approximately 2:00 PM. At the upper west channel site, the YSI meter recorded DO as 11.92 mg/L and temperature as 91.4°F. The upper west channel monitor recorded DO as 14.88 mg/L and temperature as 93.45°F. At the middle west channel site, the YSI meter recorded DO as 7.66 mg/L and temperature as 90.68°F. The middle west channel monitor recorded DO as 4.04 mg/L and temperature as 85.71°F. At the lower west channel site, the YSI meter recorded DO as 9.36 mg/L and temperature as 92.3°F. The lower west channel monitor recorded DO as 8.02 mg/L and temperature as 89.56°F. At the east channel site, the YSI meter recorded DO as 6.5 mg/L and temperature as 86.0°F. The east channel monitor recorded DO as 6.92 mg/L and temperature as 88.41°F.

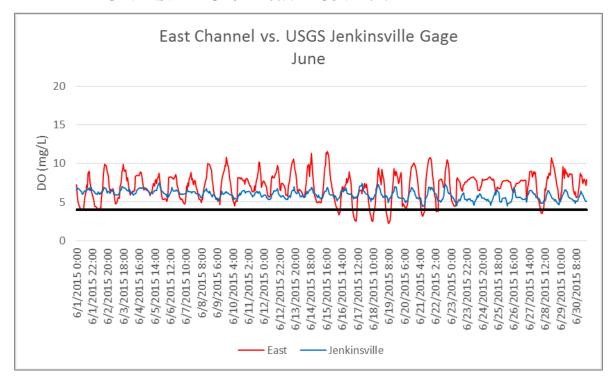
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FIGURE 4-5 DISSOLVED OXYGEN AT THE UPPER, MIDDLE, AND LOWER WEST CHANNEL LOCATIONS – JUNE 2015



<sup>\*</sup>Loggers at the middle and lower west channel locations were removed from the river on June 19, 2015 and sent to the manufacturer for repair. The lower west channel logger was replaced to the river on June 29, 2015.

FIGURE 4-6 DISSOLVED OXYGEN AT THE EAST CHANNEL LOCATION AND USGS
JENKINSVILLE GAGE 2160991 – JUNE 2015



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TABLE 4-3 MAXIMUM, MINIMUM, AND AVERAGE TEMPERATURES AND DISSOLVED OXYGEN FOR JUNE

June								
	Т	Temperature			Dissolved Oxygen			
	Max	Min	Ave	Max	Min	Ave		
Upper West	98.2	74.5	82.4	14.9	0.2	6.5		
Middle West	87.7	75.7	79.6	8.0	2.3	5.2		
Lower West	89.6	72.8	81.6	9.5	0.0	6.4		
East	109.7	74.3	82.9	11.6	2.3	7.0		
Jenkinsville	88.7	76.1	81.5	7.5	4.4	6.0		

#### **4.4 JULY**

During early July (Figure 4-7; Figure 4-8; Table 4-4), DO levels at the lower west channel and east channel locations followed generally the same pattern, ranging from approximately 5 mg/L to 10 mg/L. As the month progressed, and water temperatures rose, DO levels decreased, ranging from approximately 2-3 mg/L to 7 mg/L. DO at the upper west channel location ranged from approximately 0 mg/L to 13 mg/L during early July. In mid to late July, DO at the upper west channel location experienced huge swings in DO from approximately 0 mg/L to 20 mg/L. These swings in DO were associated with dense growth of filamentous algae that resulted in DO levels that rose rapidly at sunup and throughout the day (production) and then dropped rapidly after dark (consumption).

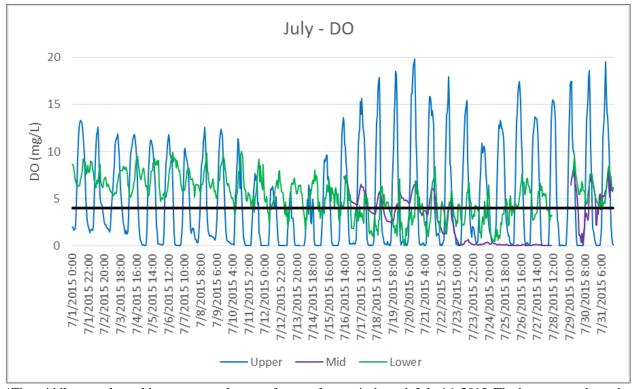
The logger at the middle west channel location remained at the manufacturer for repair until July 16, 2015.

When data were downloaded on July 28<sup>th</sup>, DO and temperature were recorded with a YSI meter at each site at approximately 12:00 PM. At the upper west channel site, the YSI meter recorded DO as 10.12 mg/L and temperature as 89.78°F. The upper west channel monitor recorded DO as 15.49 mg/L and temperature as 90.75°F. At the middle west channel site, the YSI meter recorded DO as 6.08 mg/L and temperature as 86.0°F. The middle west channel monitor recorded DO as 0.0 mg/L and temperature as 86.29°F. At the lower west channel site, the YSI meter recorded DO as 5.89 mg/L and temperature as 86.0°F. The lower west channel monitor

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recorded DO as 3.21 mg/L and temperature as 86.18°F. At the east channel site, the YSI meter recorded DO as 6.23 mg/L and temperature as 86.0°F. The east channel monitor recorded DO as 5.84 mg/L and temperature as 87.69°F. Technicians also noted some sediment build up on the monitors.

FIGURE 4-7 DISSOLVED OXYGEN AT THE UPPER, MIDDLE, AND LOWER WEST CHANNEL LOCATIONS – JULY 2015



<sup>\*</sup>The middle west channel logger was at the manufacturer for repair through July 16, 2015. The lower west channel logger was also removed from the river for repair in the Kleinschmidt office for one day in late July.

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FIGURE 4-8 DISSOLVED OXYGEN AT THE EAST CHANNEL LOCATION AND THE USGS
JENKINSVILLE GAGE 2160991 – JULY 2015

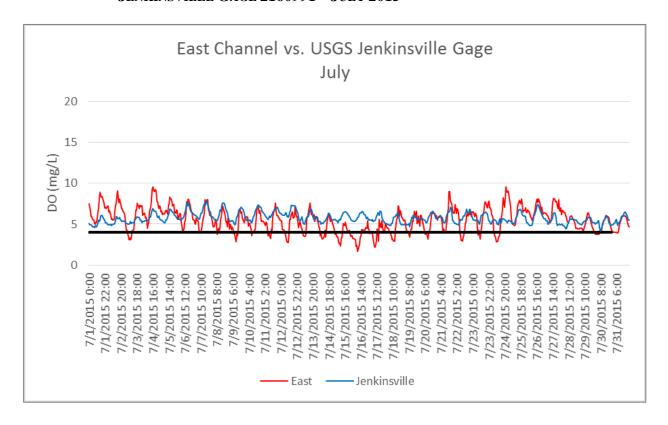


TABLE 4-4 MAXIMUM, MINIMUM, AND AVERAGE TEMPERATURES AND DISSOLVED OXYGEN FOR JULY

July								
	Т	emperatur	e	Dissolved Oxygen				
	Max	Min	Ave	Max	Min	Ave		
Upper West	96.7	77.3	85.7	19.8	0	4.9		
Middle West	89.7	81.6	85.9	8.1	0	2.8		
Lower West	92.8	79.7	86.4	10	0.1	5.3		
East	92.1	78.2	86	9.6	1.7	5.5		
Jenkinsville	88.5	80.2	84.7	7.8	4.2	5.8		

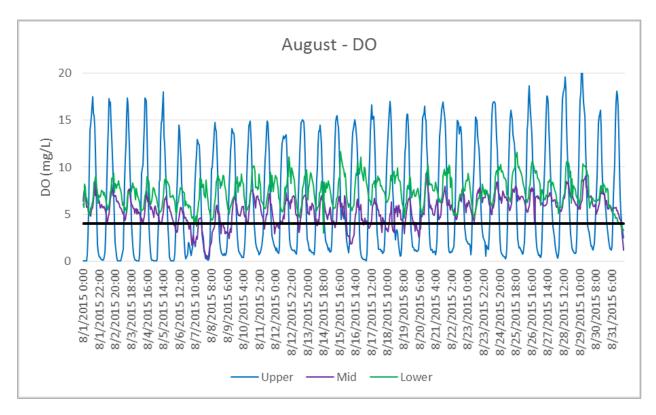
### 4.5 AUGUST

During the month of August (Figure 4-5; Table 4-5), DO levels for the middle and lower west channel and the east channel followed similar patterns, with DO readings ranging from approximately 4 mg/L up to 10 mg/L. Diel fluctuations were obvious and DO levels rarely dropped below 4 mg/L. Throughout the month of August, the upper west channel logger continued the same pattern as observed in late July, with DO levels ranging from 0 mg/L to 17-

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20 mg/L. Technicians again noted that large mats of filamentous algae were present in the monitor location. Technicians noted that the east channel monitor area was influenced by a log and debris that lodged upstream of the monitor and had further cut off flow to the monitor location. Low water levels, sediment build up, and debris likely resulted in the periodic low DO levels observed at the HOBO monitor as opposed to the DO measured at the Jenkinsville gage.

FIGURE 4-9 DISSOLVED OXYGEN AT THE UPPER, MIDDLE, AND LOWER WEST CHANNEL LOCATIONS – AUGUST 2015



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FIGURE 4-10 DISSOLVED OXYGEN AT THE EAST CHANNEL LOCATION AND THE USGS
JENKINSVILLE GAGE 2160991 – AUGUST 2015

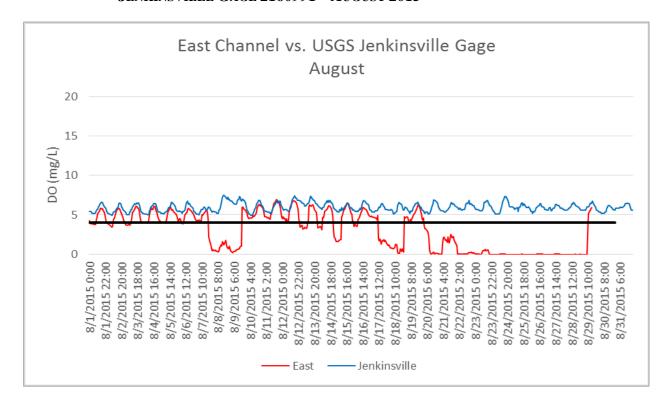


TABLE 4-5 MAXIMUM, MINIMUM, AND AVERAGE TEMPERATURES AND DISSOLVED OXYGEN FOR AUGUST

August								
	Т	emperatur	·e	Dissolved Oxygen				
	Max	Min	Ave	Max	Min	Ave		
Upper West	95.4	74.3	85.1	20.8	0.0	6.7		
Middle West	90.0	71.2	84.2	9.4	0.3	5.5		
Lower West	90.9	72.9	85.5	11.7	3.0	7.4		
East	89.6	82.7	85.8	6.9	0.0	2.9		
Jenkinsville	88.9	80.8	86.0	7.5	4.9	5.9		

### 4.6 SEPTEMBER

At the upper west channel location (Figure 4-6; Table 4-6), DO readings continued to range from 0 mg/L to 20 mg/L daily through early September. As water temperatures began to decrease, DO levels began to normalize and technicians noted that algae mats were decreasing in density, with smaller daily fluctuations, ranging from 2-3 mg/L to 12-15 mg/L. DO readings collected in the

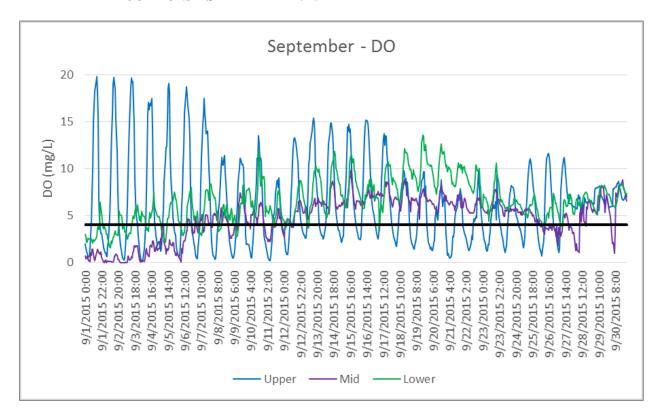
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middle and lower west channel also began to rise throughout September, with very few instances of DO levels below 4.0 mg/L.

As mentioned, data collected in the east channel was lost when the logger could not be recovered after the flood that occurred in early October.

When data were downloaded on September 30<sup>th</sup>, DO and temperature readings were recorded with a YSI meter at the upper and middle west channel sites at approximately 12:00 PM. At the upper west channel site, the YSI meter recorded DO as 7.8 mg/L and temperature as 76.46°F. The upper west channel monitor recorded DO as 8.69 mg/L and temperature as 76.93°F. At the middle west channel site, the YSI meter recorded DO as 7.68 mg/L and temperature as 76.46°F. The middle west channel monitor recorded DO as 8.16 mg/L and temperature as 76.28°F.

FIGURE 4-11 DISSOLVED OXYGEN AT THE UPPER, MIDDLE, AND LOWER WEST CHANNEL LOCATIONS – SEPTEMBER 2015



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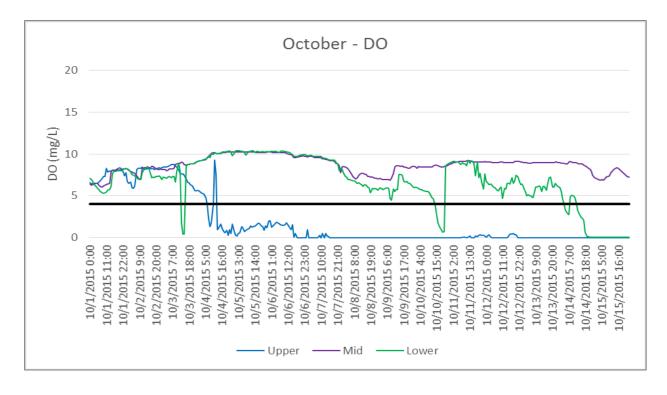
TABLE 4-6 MAXIMUM, MINIMUM, AND AVERAGE TEMPERATURES AND DISSOLVED OXYGEN FOR SEPTEMBER

September								
	Т	emperatur	·e	Dissolved Oxygen				
	Max	Min	Ave	Max	Min	Ave		
Upper West	88.7	69.2	77.7	19.8	0.1	6.4		
Middle West	83.4	67.1	76.0	9.9	0.0	4.7		
Lower West	87.6	70.2	78.1	13.6	1.6	6.6		
East	-	-	-	-	-	-		
Jenkinsville	86.7	73.4	80.4	8.2	5.0	6.6		

### 4.7 OCTOBER

On October 3-4, 2015, a large rain event occurred that caused wide-spread flooding in South Carolina, including the Broad River Basin. Because of this flood, large amounts of water with debris and sediment moved through the water system, causing the loggers to collect widely variable data. Therefore, data collected during the month of October is unreliable, and should not be considered as a normal representation of DO in the east and west channels during this timeframe.

FIGURE 4-12 DISSOLVED OXYGEN AT THE UPPER, MIDDLE, AND LOWER WEST CHANNEL AND EAST CHANNEL LOCATIONS – OCTOBER 2015



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TABLE 4-7 MAXIMUM, MINIMUM, AND AVERAGE TEMPERATURES AND DISSOLVED OXYGEN FOR OCTOBER

October							
	Т	emperatur	·e	Dissolved Oxygen			
	Max	Min	Ave	Max	Min	Ave	
Upper West	76.8	63.3	67.7	9.3	0.0	1.9	
Middle West	76.4	63.2	67.8	10.3	6.1	8.7	
Lower West	76.7	63.2	67.7	10.4	0.0	6.8	
East	1	1	1	1	1	-	
Jenkinsville	77.7	63.5	67.8	10.0	6.3	7.3	

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## 5.0 DISCUSSION

This study identified that DO levels in the west channel are periodically below the SCDHEC standard of 4.0 mg/l. Dissolved oxygen levels in the upper west channel of the Broad River, downstream of Parr Shoals Dam, were consistently lower than those further down the west channel and in the east channel. This is likely due to the shallow nature of the river in this area, as well as the presence of dense algal mats. Also, during drier weather conditions, the west channel does not receive a consistent flow of water, except for small amounts of leakage from the dam.

Throughout the study, fouling of the HOBO loggers was a constant issue. DO measurements recorded by the YSI meter often displayed very different readings than those collected by the HOBO loggers in the same locations.

The study data shows that DO levels in the west channel are variable. Dissolved oxygen levels are lowest in the west channel directly below the dam during the summer months, however these levels increase as the distance from the dam increases. Dissolved oxygen levels at the lower west channel site, located approximately 1 mile downstream of the dam, and at the east channel site, located approximately 0.5 miles downstream of the dam, were generally above the SCDHEC instantaneous standard of 4.0 mg/L and were often similar. As water depths increase in the middle west channel site, the influence of diel respiration was less drastic and there is likely some re-aeration that occurs in the shallow sections of the lower west channel. The lower west channel site DO levels may also periodically (based on flows) receive some positive influence from main channel flows

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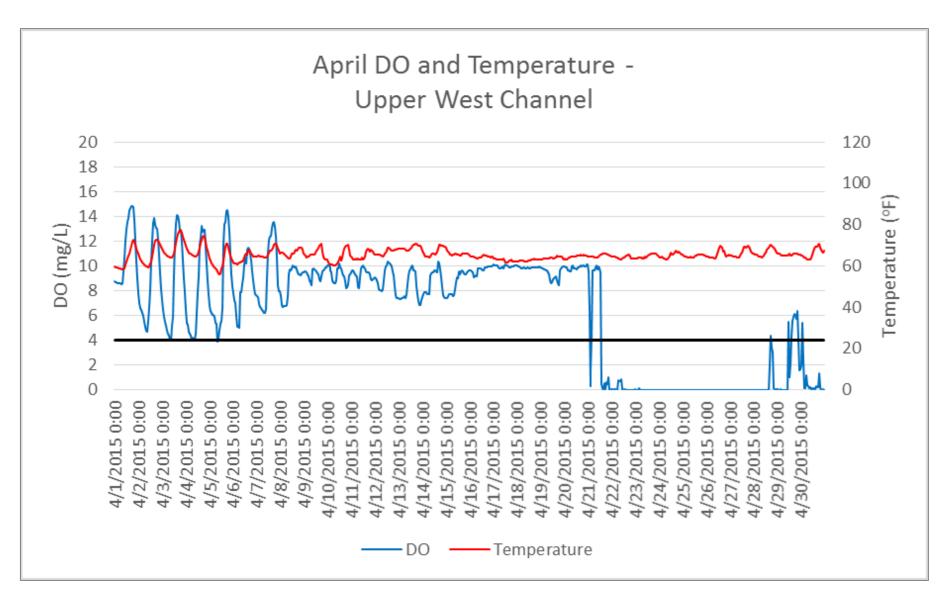


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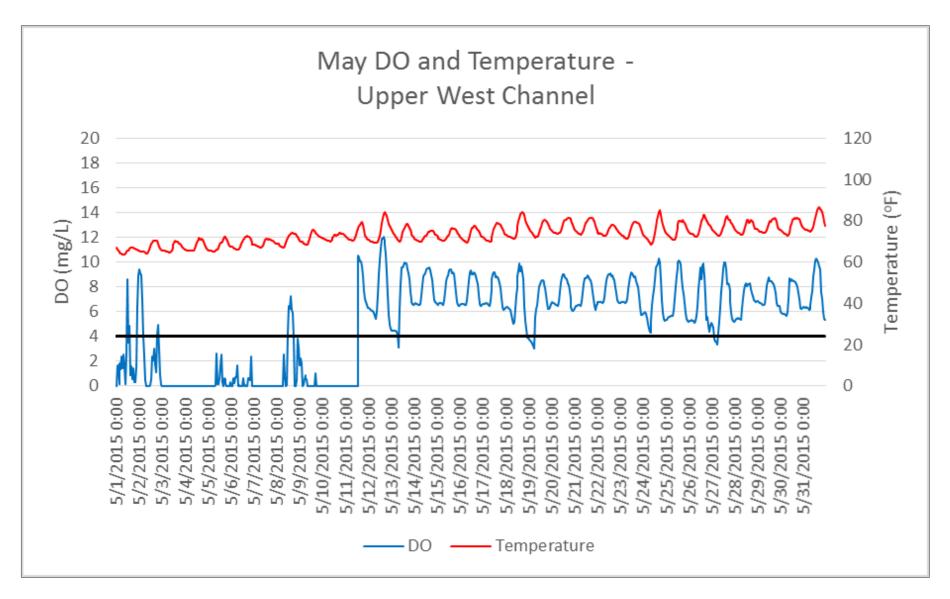


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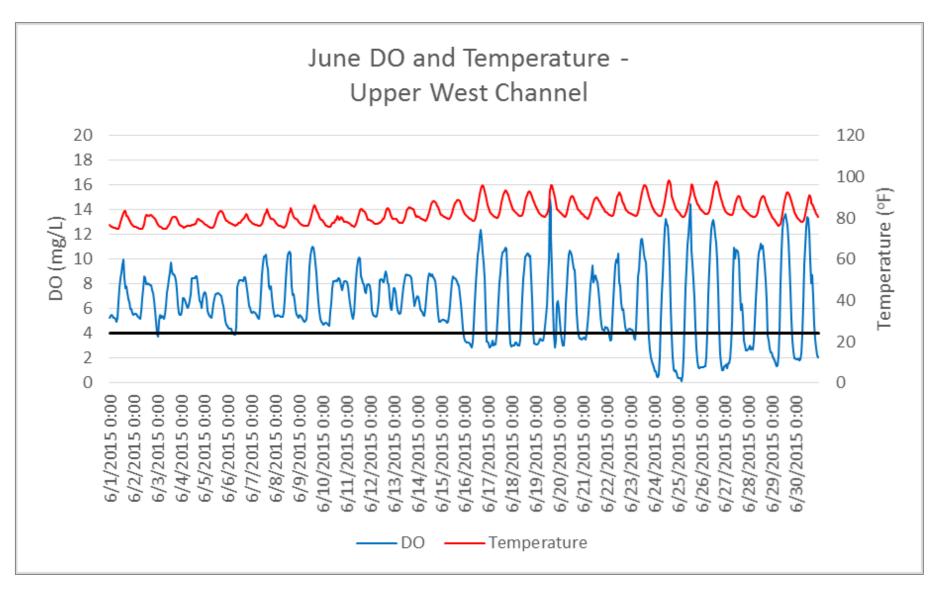


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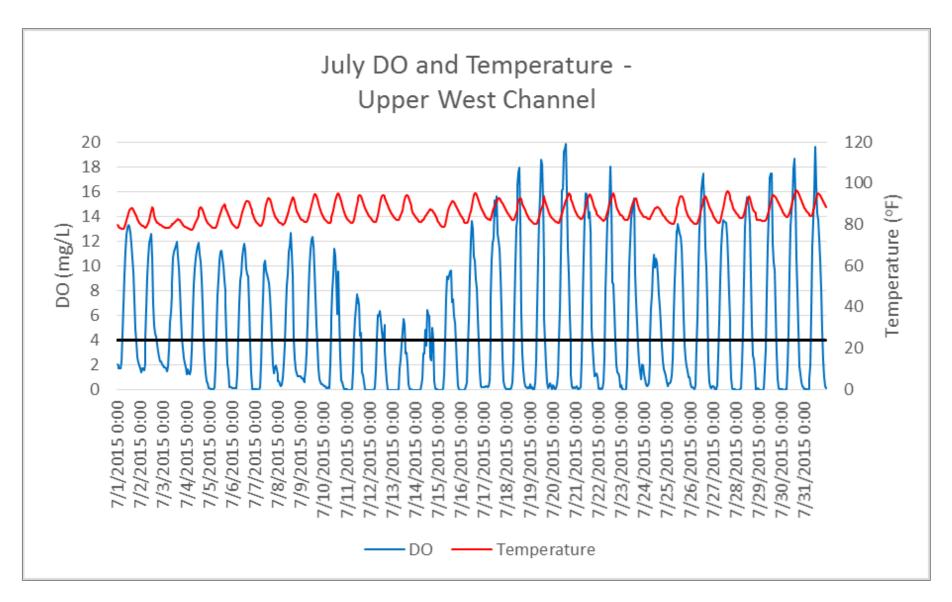


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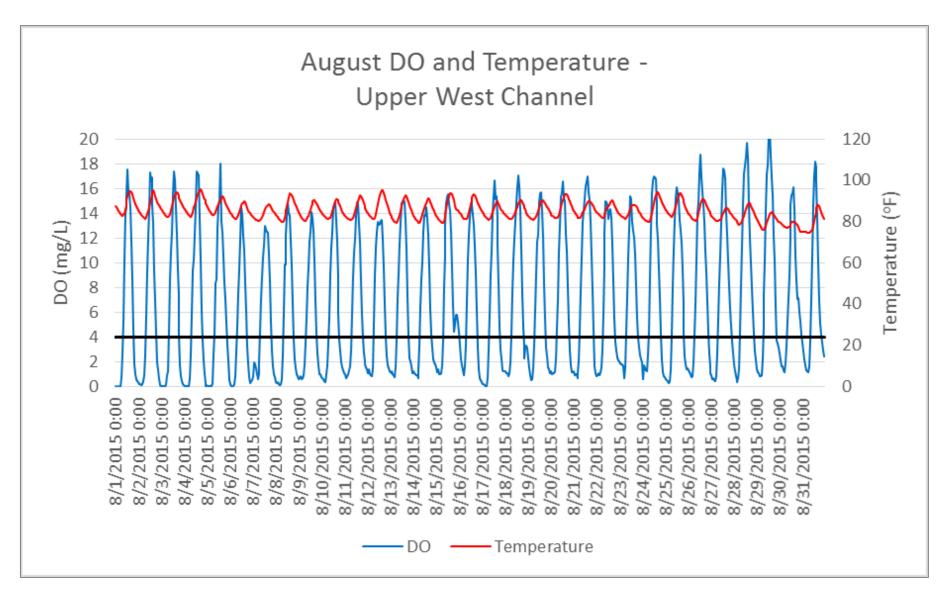


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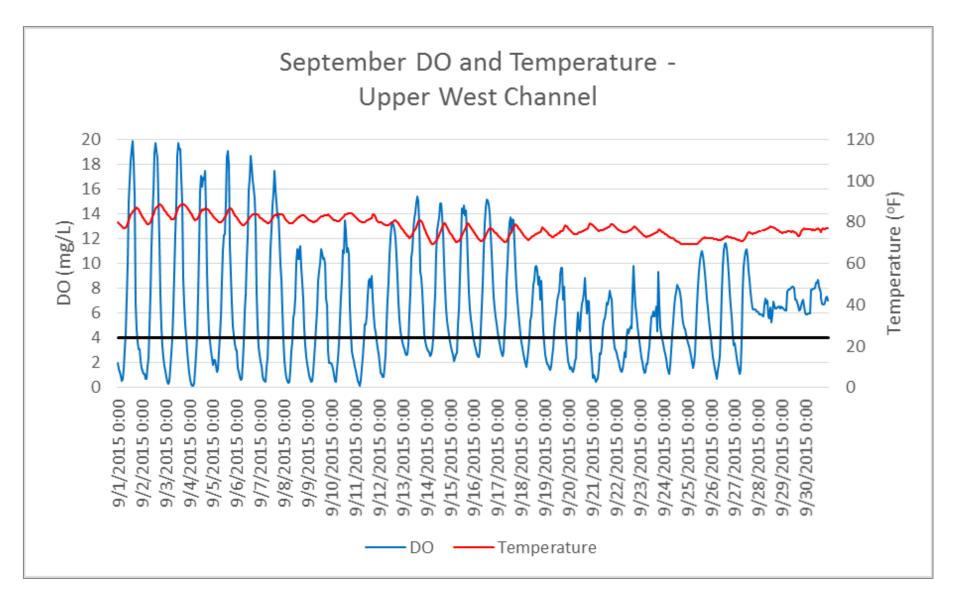


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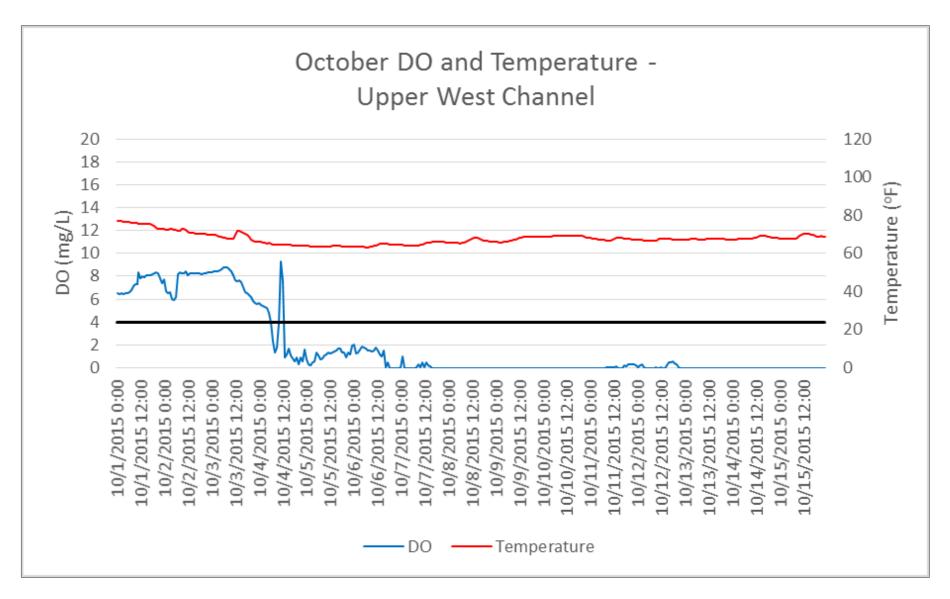


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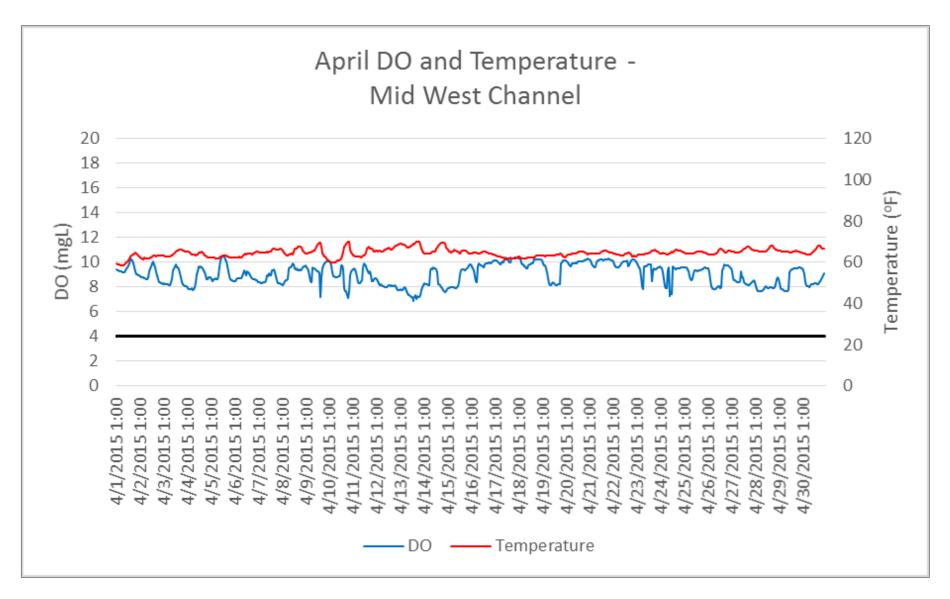


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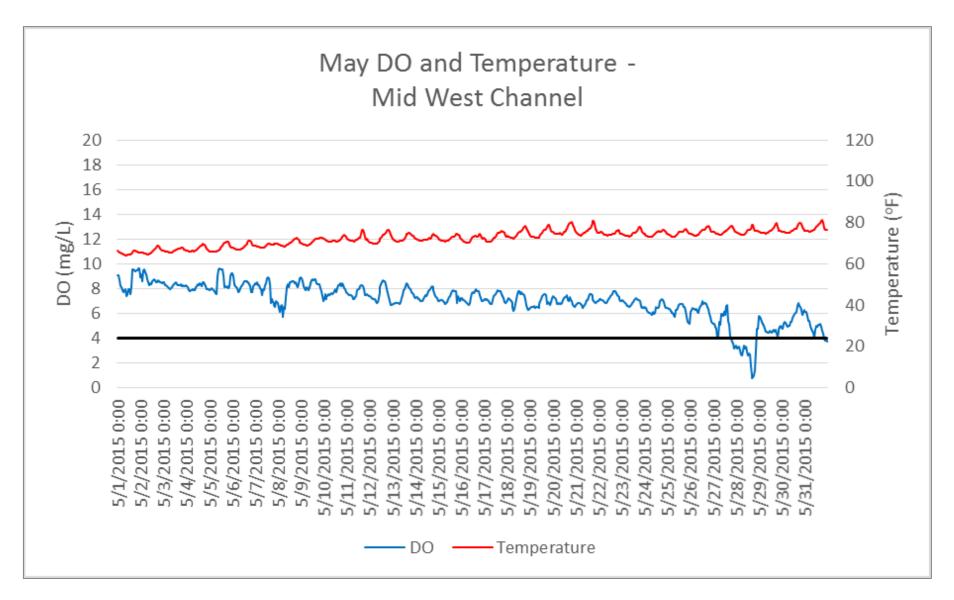


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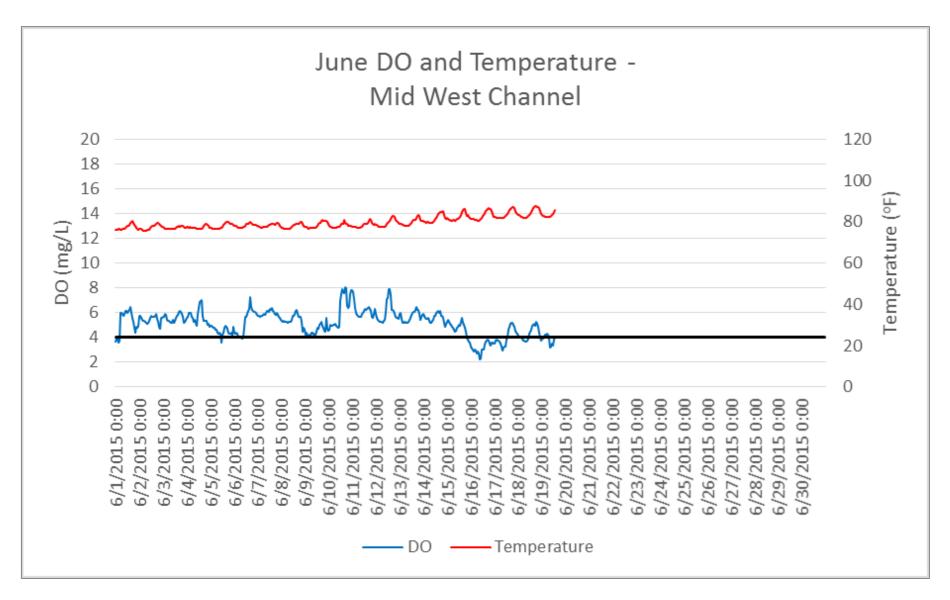


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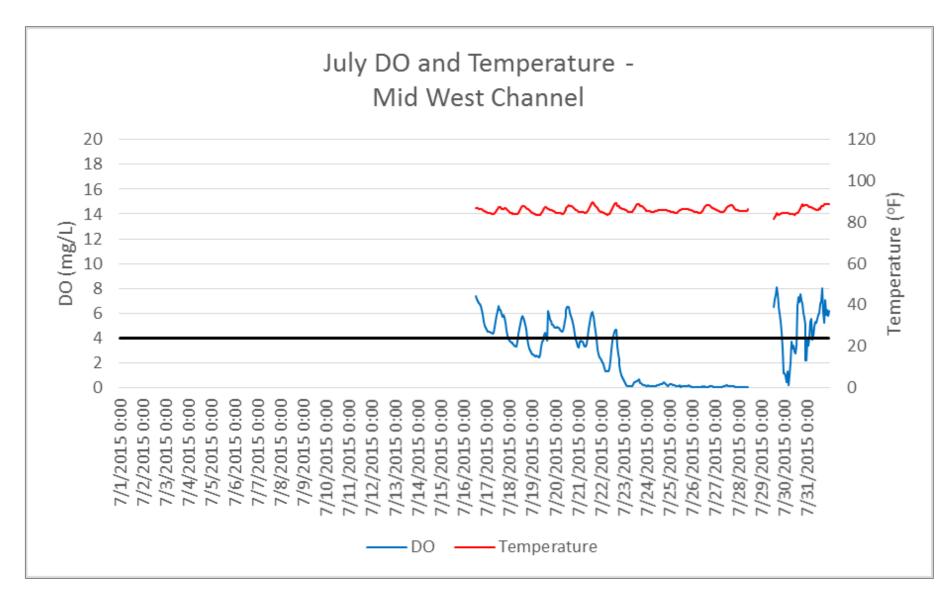


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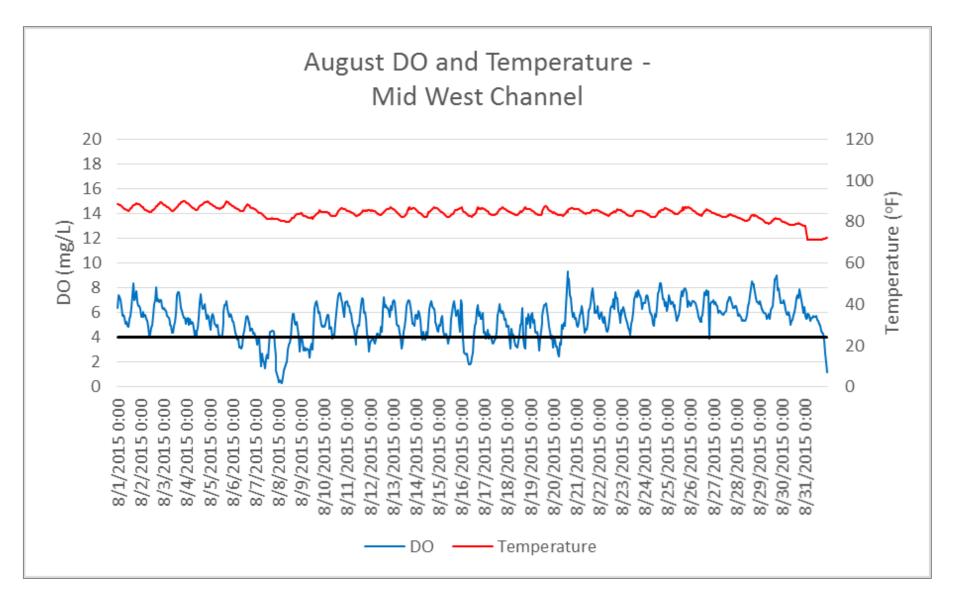


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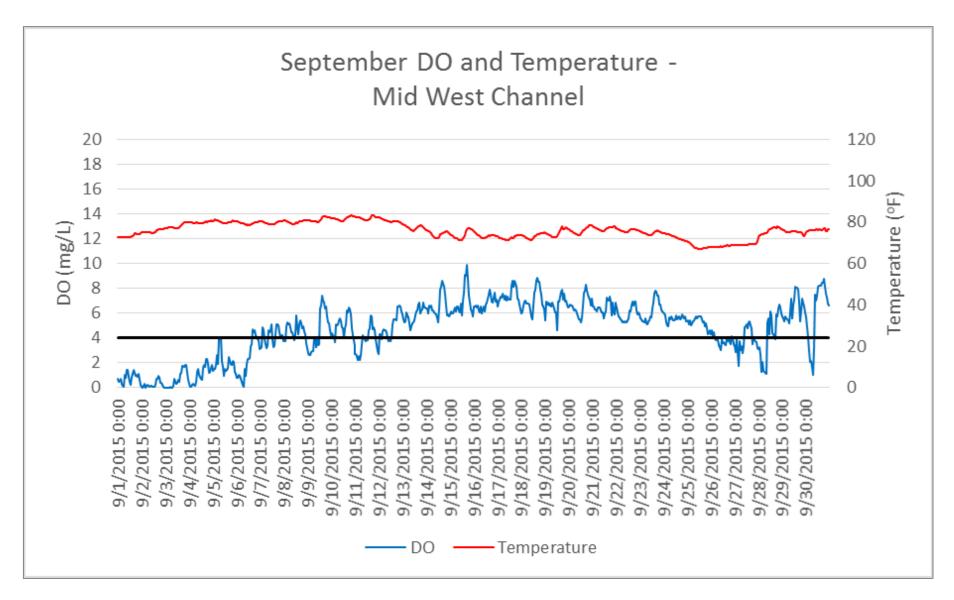


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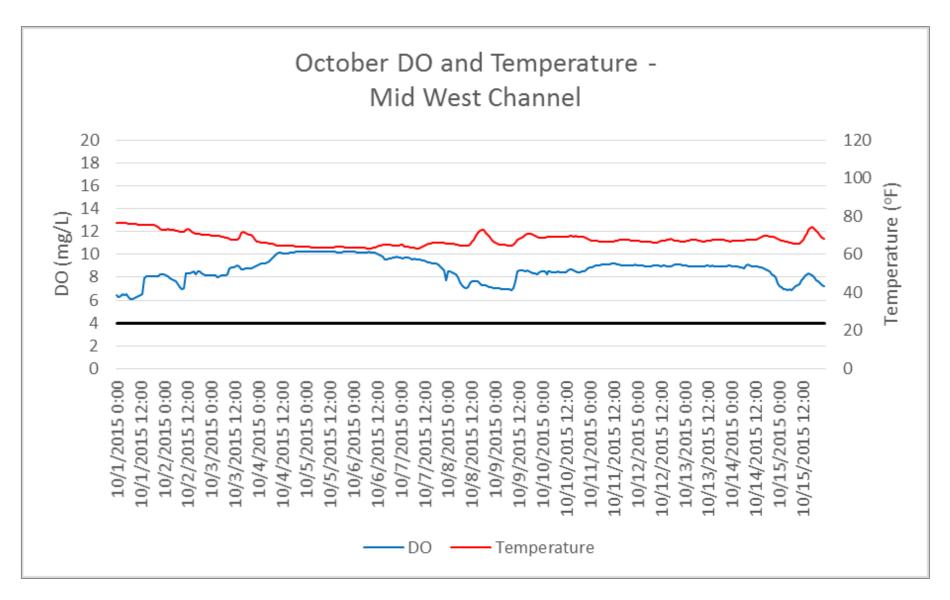


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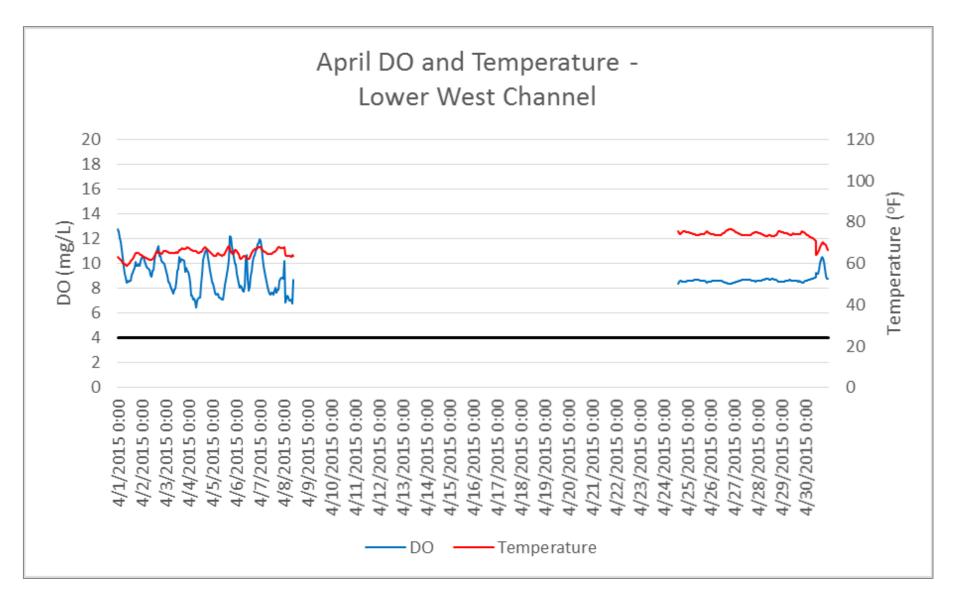


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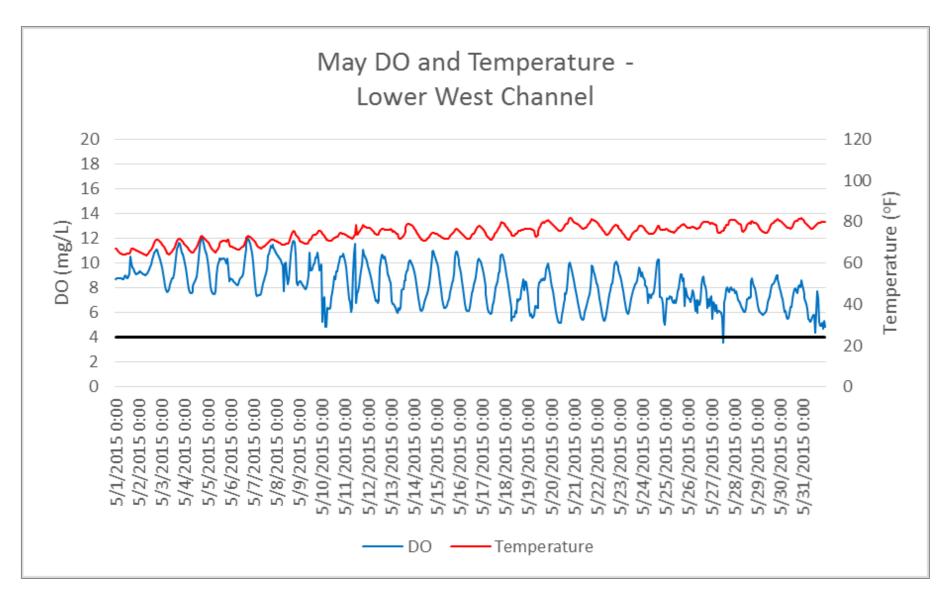


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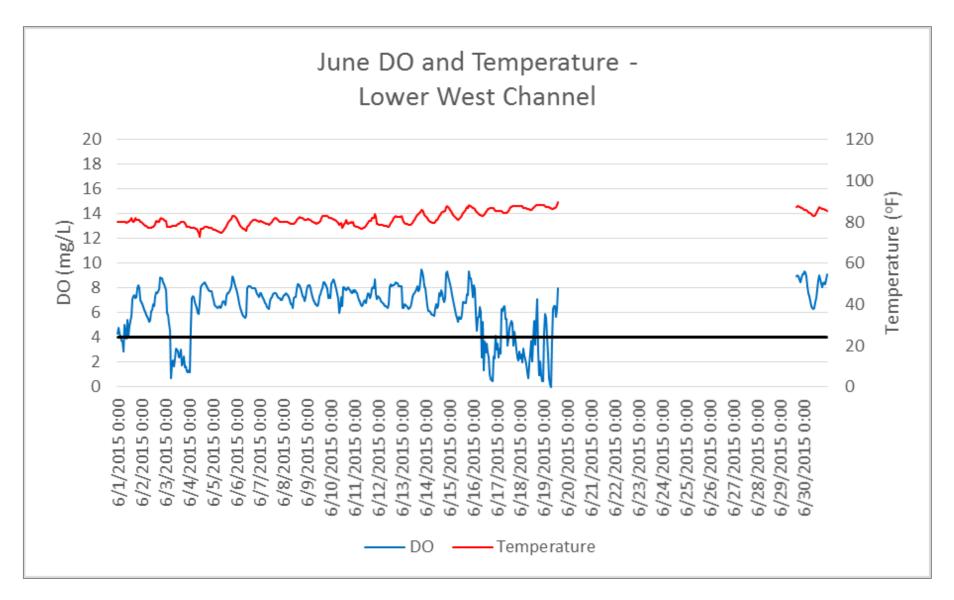


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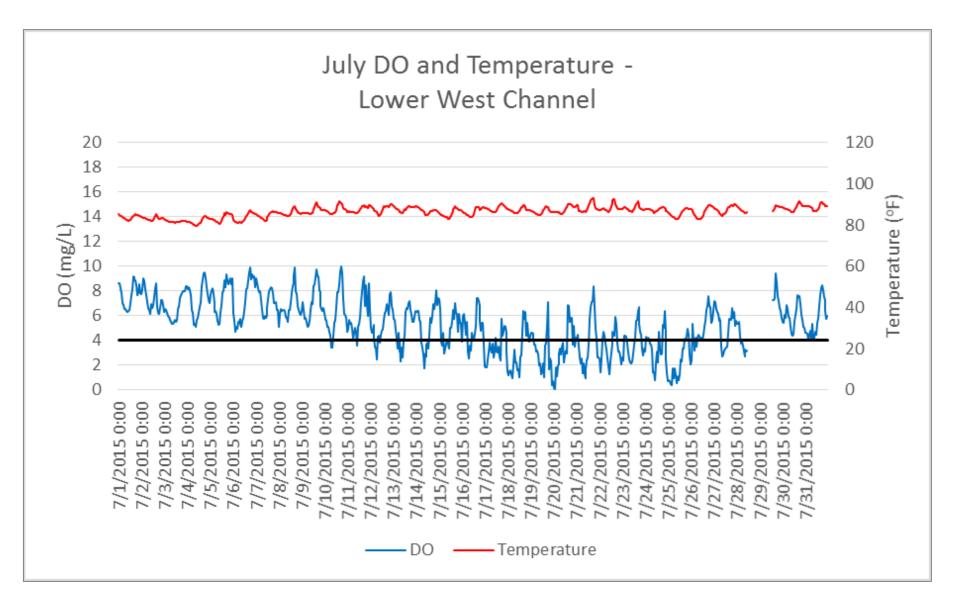


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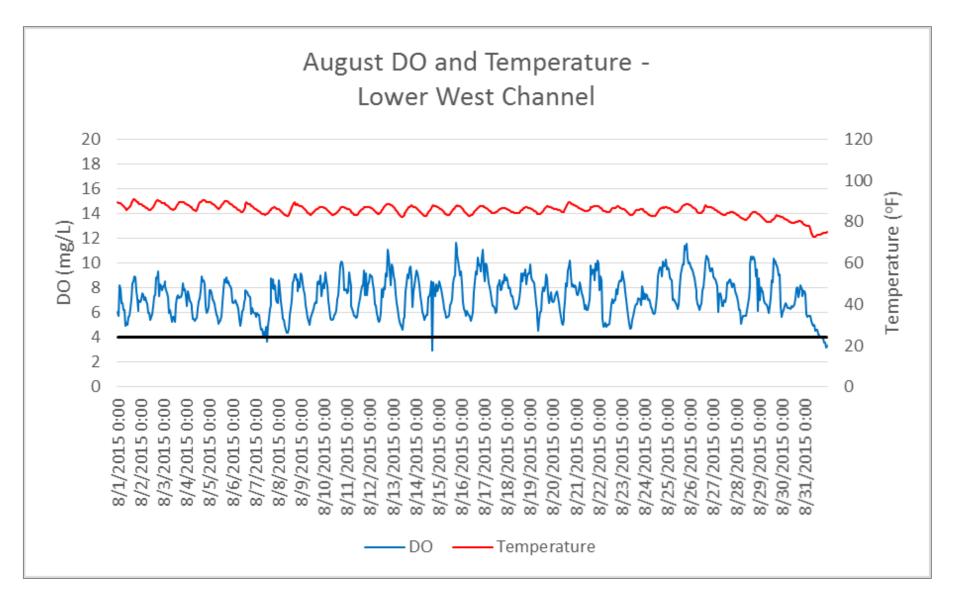


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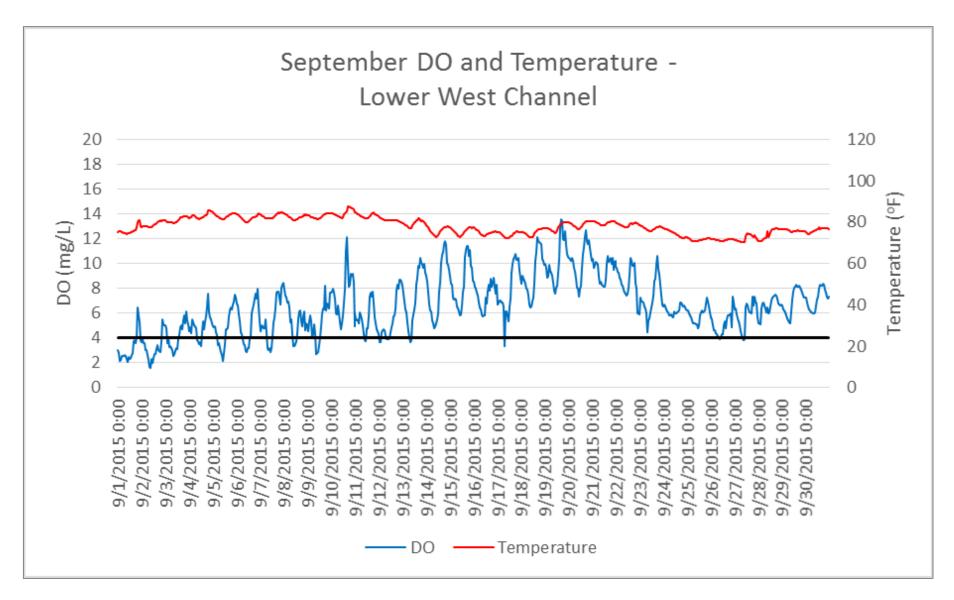


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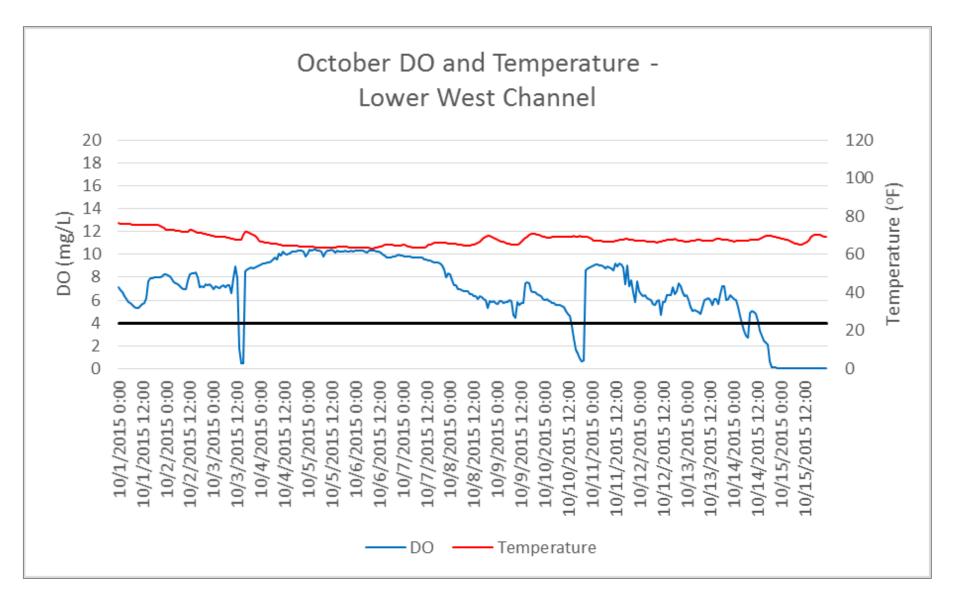


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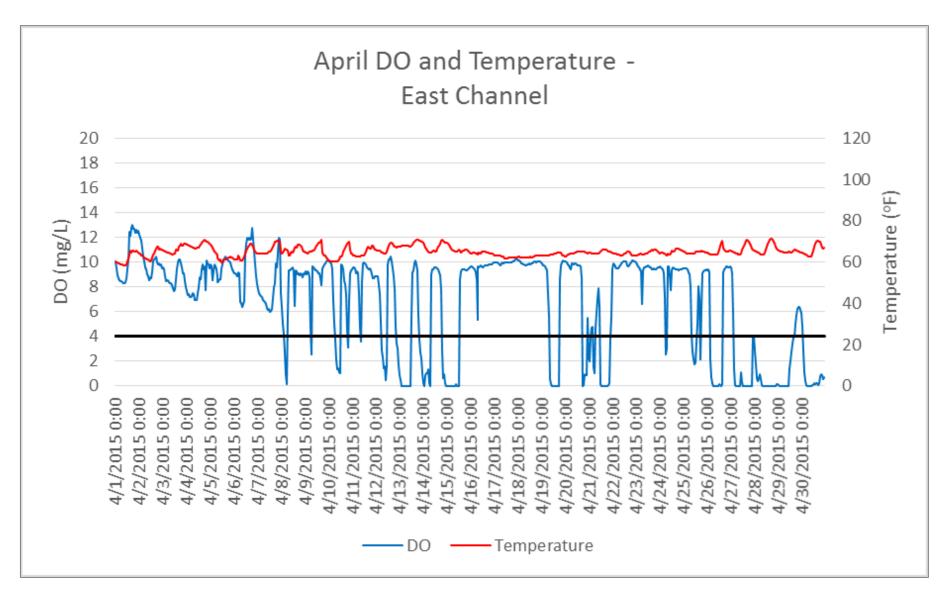


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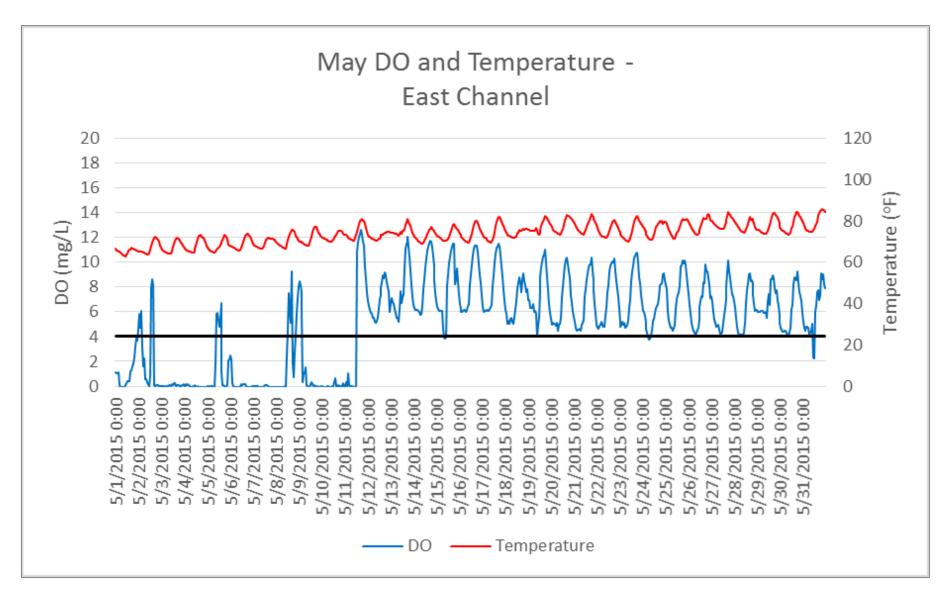


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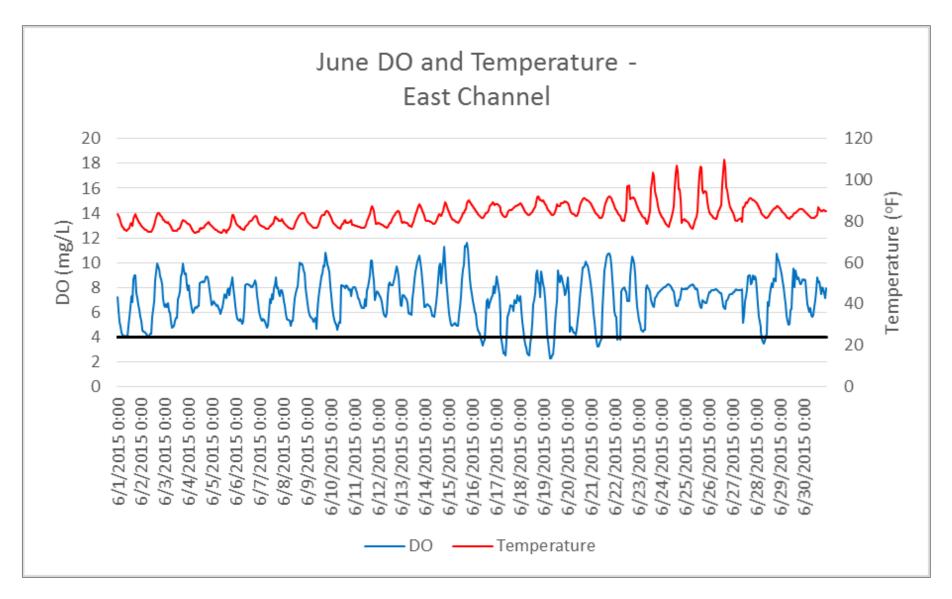


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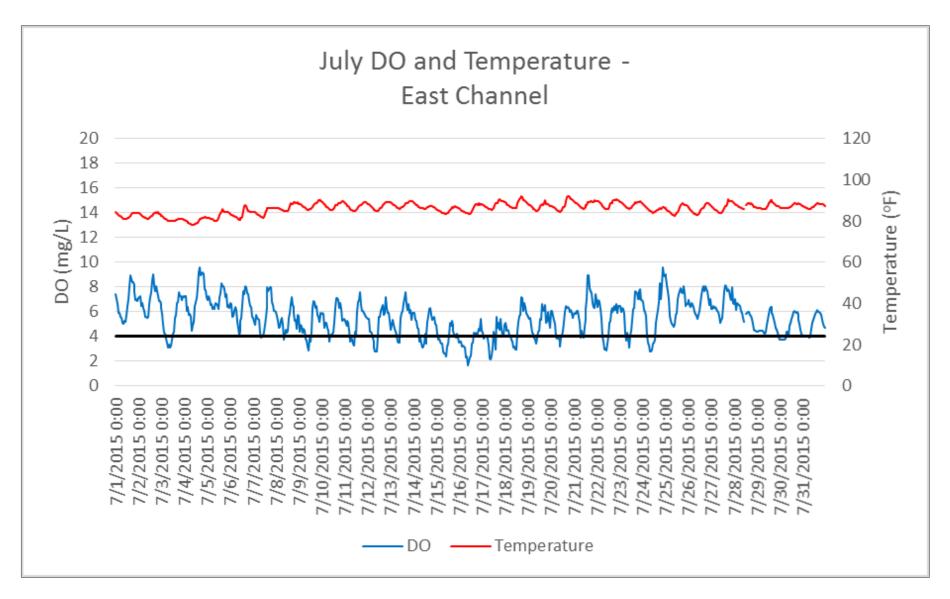


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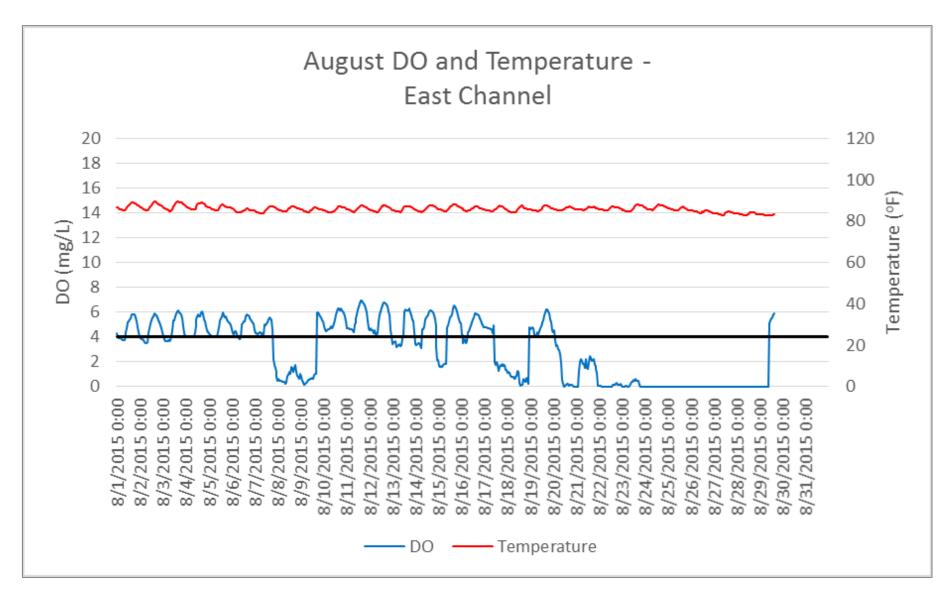


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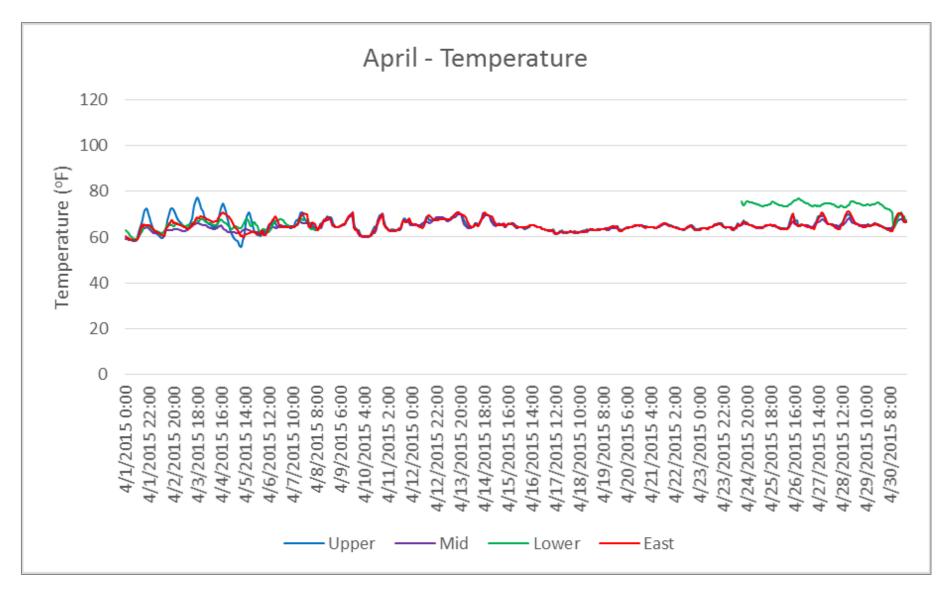


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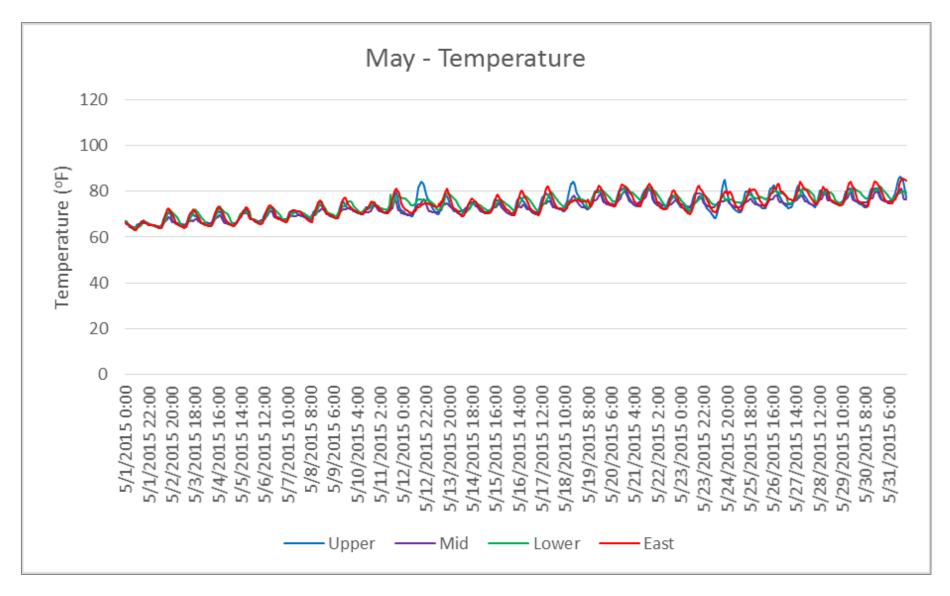


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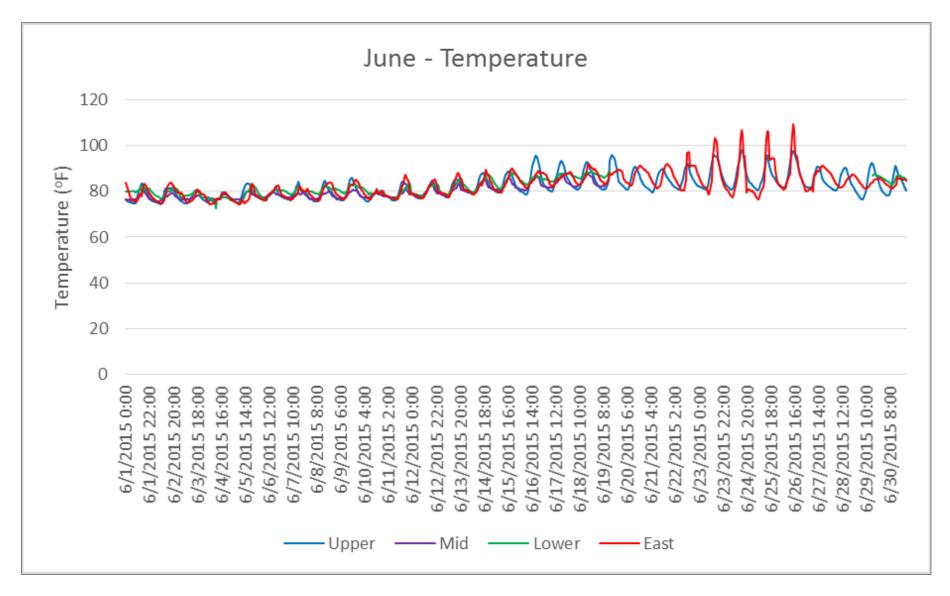


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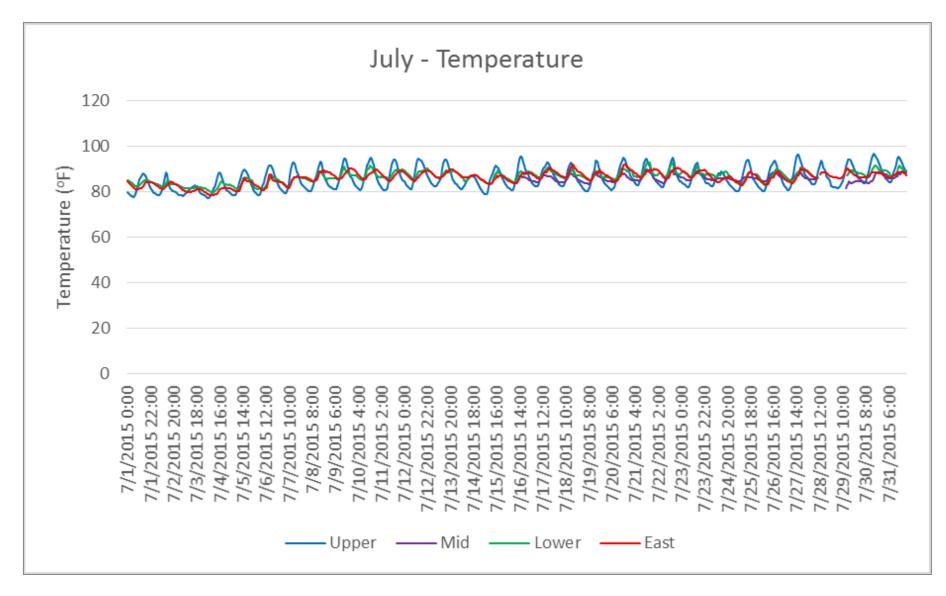


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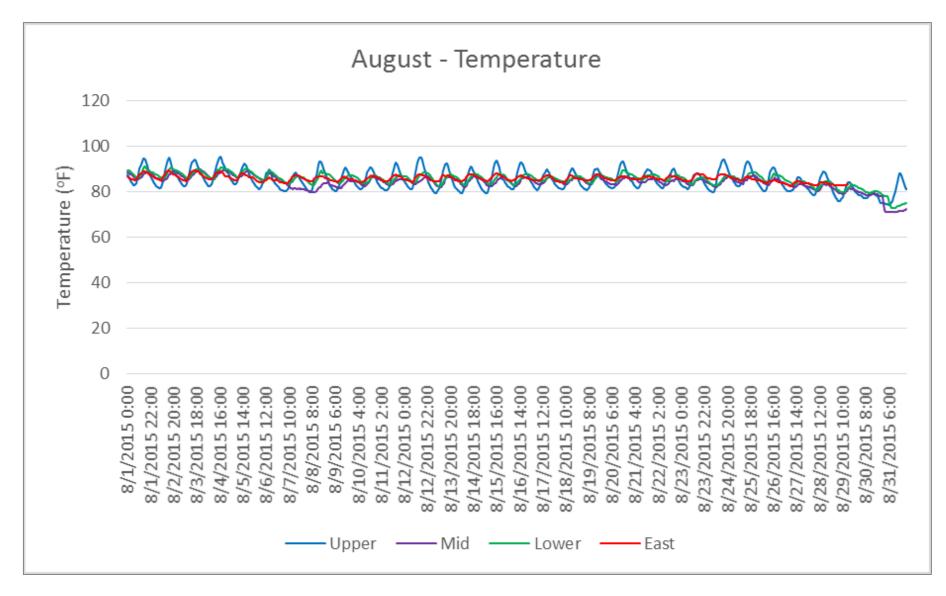


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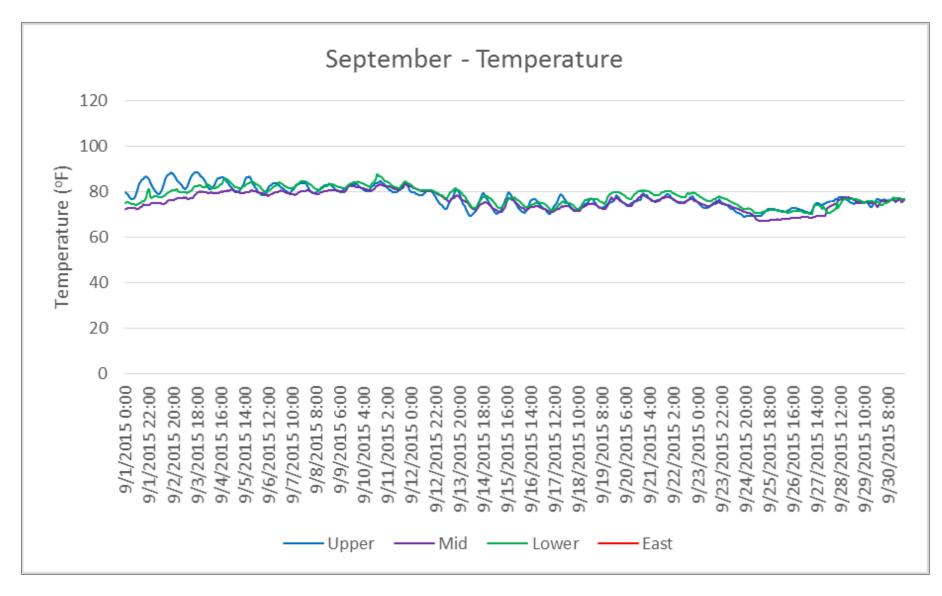


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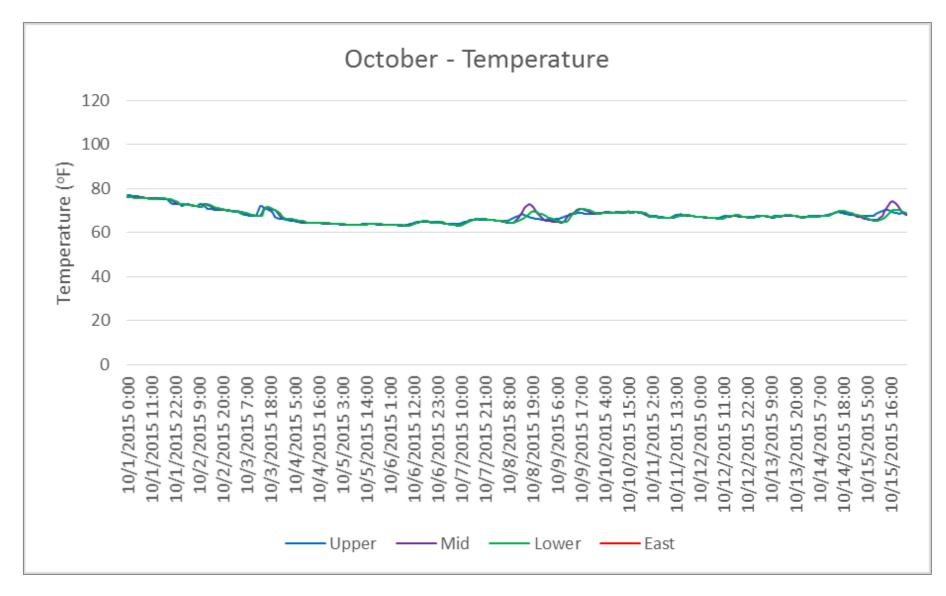


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West Channel Water Quality Second Year Study Report

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#### SOUTH CAROLINA ELECTRIC & GAS COMPANY

#### 1.0 INTRODUCTION

South Carolina Electric & Gas Company (SCE&G) is the Licensee for the Parr Hydroelectric Project (FERC No. 1894) (Project). SCE&G is currently seeking a new license from the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC), as their current license is set to expire on June 30, 2020. The Project consists of two developments, the Parr Shoals Development and the Fairfield Pumped Storage Development. Parr Reservoir, located in Fairfield and Newberry counties, South Carolina, is a 4,400-acre impoundment formed by the Broad River and the Parr Shoals Dam (Parr Dam) and serves as the lower reservoir for the Fairfield Pumped Storage Development. Monticello Reservoir is a 6,800-acre impoundment formed by a series of four earthen dams, and serves as the upper reservoir for the pumped storage development. While the stretch of the Broad River downstream of the Parr Dam is not included in the Project Boundary Line (PBL), Project operations do influence this area.

The Project is currently involved in a relicensing process which involves cooperation between SCE&G and a variety of stakeholders including state and federal resource agencies, state and local government, non-governmental organizations (NGO), and interested individuals. SCE&G has established several Technical Working Committees (TWCs) comprised of members from the interested stakeholders. A Water Quality TWC was formed to address potential water quality issues associated with the Project. During issues scoping, the TWC identified the west channel area of the Broad River downstream of the Parr Dam as a potential area for a water quality study. The TWC specifically expressed concern about low dissolved oxygen (DO) levels in this area of the Broad River during the warmer summer and fall months.

SCE&G performed initial sampling in the west channel during 2015 and presented that data to the Water Quality TWC. The TWC recommended that SCE&G perform additional collections

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during 2016 to verify some of the high water temperatures and low dissolved oxygen readings recorded during late summer of 2015. SCE&G performed collections of water temperature and DO during August 2016 to verify baseline conditions and to evaluate how discrete spillway releases or pulses through the spillway gates affect water quality in the west channel. The results of this study will be used to develop measures for improving water quality in the west channel during future operations in the new license.

#### 2.0 STUDY AREA

The Broad River immediately downstream of the Parr Dam is naturally divided by Hampton Island, creating an eastern and western channel along the length of the island, which is approximately 1.25 miles long. Water temperature and DO were continuously monitored at four sites along the western channel: two locations just downstream of the Parr Dam (Upper Site 1 and Upper Site 2), one location midway down Hampton Island near the Highway 213 bridge (Middle West Channel), and one location at the lower extent of the western channel, just upstream of the confluence with the Broad River main channel (Lower West Channel). Additional water quality sites were also sampled for DO and water temperature periodically during the study (YSI-1 through YSI-8). Level logger data were collected at 3 locations in the upper west channel (Upper Site 1, Upper Site 2, and Upper Site 3), and stream flow measurements were collected at two locations in the upper west channel (Upper Site 1 and Upper Site 2). Each of the monitoring sites are shown in Figures 2-1 and 2-2.

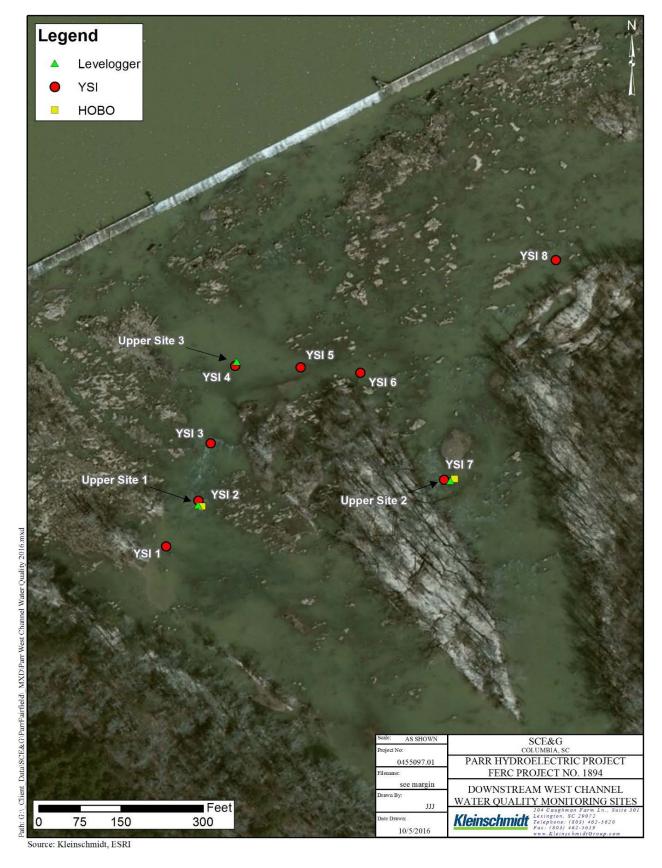


FIGURE 2-1 UPPER WEST CHANNEL MONITORING SITES

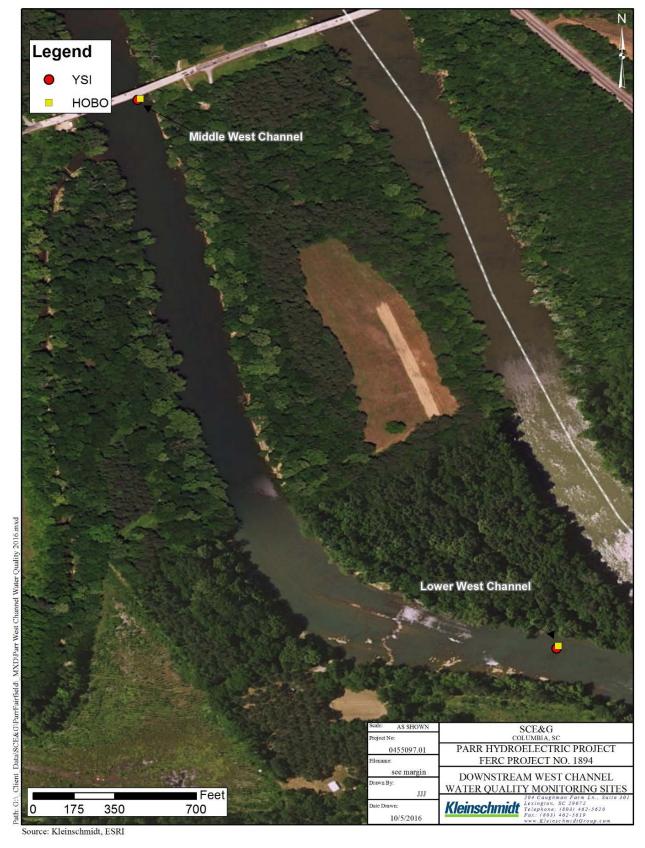


FIGURE 2-2 LOWER WEST CHANNEL MONITORING SITES

#### 3.0 COLLECTION METHODS

The TWC requested that water temperature, DO, and water depth/flow be collected during the testing period. Water temperature and DO were monitored in the west channel area of the Broad River using HOBO U26 Dissolved Oxygen Loggers. The HOBO loggers were attached to floats and weights and deployed at the four monitoring sites on August 1, 2016, and retrieved on August 29, 2016. The loggers were calibrated according to the manufacturer's specifications and were set to collect temperature and DO data on 15 minute intervals. The logger manufacturer, Onset, specifies that the dissolved oxygen monitors have an accuracy of +/- 0.2 mg/L. Data were downloaded on a weekly basis using manufacturer's software and compiled throughout the monitoring period.

Additionally, a calibrated YSI meter was used to collect DO and water temperature approximately once a week when data were downloaded from the HOBO loggers at each monitoring site and at additional sites in the vicinity of the HOBO loggers. These collections were used to verify HOBO logger data.

Calibrated level loggers were also installed in three locations in the upper west channel area. The data collected with these loggers was analyzed to determine how water levels changed in the west channel due to spillway leakage, spillway pulsing, and flows from the Parr powerhouse tailrace. Stream flow was measured periodically at Upper Site 1 and Upper Site 2 to determine stream flow - depth relationship.

During the collection period, SCE&G released discrete pulses from spillway gates 1 and 2 to determine how pulse flows may influence DO and temperature levels at each of the HOBO loggers. Unplanned additional spillway flows related to project operations and reservoir inventory were also released during the study. Our schedule for testing was as follows:

August 1, 2016	deploy monitors – baseline data, no pulse
August 6, 2016	unplanned spill event, approximately 15,000 cfs peak flow
August 7, 2016	unplanned spill event, approximately 7,500 cfs peak flow
August 8, 2016	download data, clean, and redeploy monitors - pulse flow
August 10, 2016	unplanned spill event, approximately 16,500 cfs peak flow

August 11, 2016 unplanned spill event, approximately 9,000 cfs peak flow

August 15, 2016 download data, clean, and redeploy monitors – pulse flow

August 18, 2016 pulse flow

August 22, 2016 download data, clean, and redeploy monitors – baseline data no pulse

August 29, 2016 download data – remove all monitors

#### 3.1 Pulse Flows

The pulse flows consisted of discrete releases through spillway gates 1 and 2 for approximately 3 hours. The spills were targeted to release 24 acre-feet of water into the West Channel. Table 3-1 contains specific information of each release.

TABLE 3-1 SPILLWAY PULSE FLOW RELEASES

Date	Release Time	Volume (acre-feet)
8/8/2016	0920-1220	24.33
8/15/2016	0800-1045	24.69
8/18/2016	0830-1130	22.22

TABLE 3-2 UNPLANNED SPILLWAY RELEASE FLOW

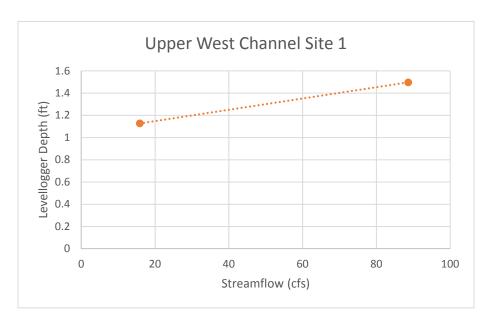
Date	Release Time	Peak Flow (cfs)
8/06-8/07 2016	1000-0745	15,100
8/07-8/08 2016	1600-0445	7,420
8/10-8/11 2016	0700-0130	16,600
8/11/2016	0930-1800	9,220

#### 3.2 STREAM FLOW DATA COLLECTIONS

During installation of the stream monitors, field personnel noticed that stream flow from the tailrace area was passing into the west channel. Flows from the tailrace could affect DO and temperature levels in the west channel; therefore, Parr tailrace elevation was compared to level logger information to determine how streamflow in the two areas may be connected. Using standard USGS stream gaging methods, field crews measured streamflow at Sites 1 and 2 in the Upper West channel to establish a stage-discharge relationship.

#### 4.0 RESULTS

There was a positive relationship between streamflow (turbines and/or spillway) and water levels in the west channel (Figure 4-1). Further, Parr tailrace elevations mirrored west channel water levels, suggesting some water released from the powerhouse flows laterally into the west channel and affects water levels in this reach. This relationship is depicted in Table 4-1, which shows stage-discharge estimates (based on Figure 4-1) for the tailrace and level loggers located at sites 1 and 2 in the upper west channel. As water levels in tailrace increase (i.e. discharge from the powerhouse increases), higher flows are observed in the west channel.



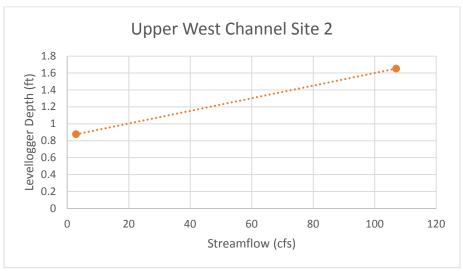
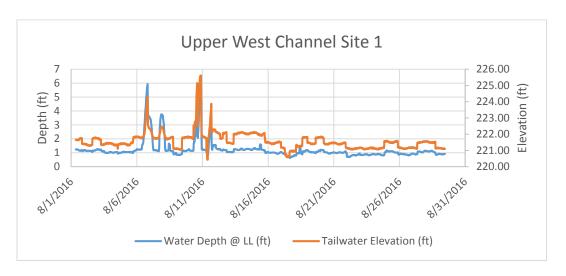
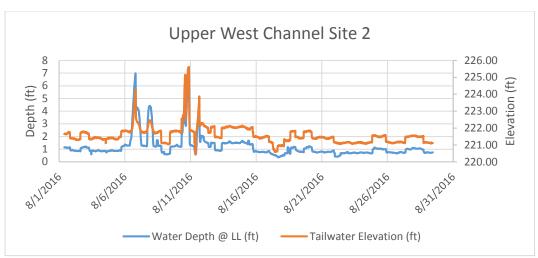


FIGURE 4-1 STREAM FLOW DATA FOR LEVEL LOGGER 1 AND 2 LOCATIONS





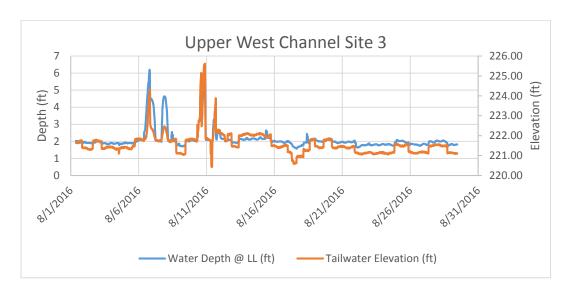


FIGURE 4-2 STREAM FLOW DATA FOR LEVEL LOGGER 1, 2, AND 3 LOCATIONS

TABLE 4-1 STREAM FLOW DATA FOR UPPER SITE 1 AND UPPER SITE 2

	SITE 1								
FLOW (CFS)	LEVEL LOGGER DEPTH (FT)	TAILWATER ELEV. (FT)							
16	1.13	221.34							
20	1.15	221.70							
40	1.25	221.85							
60	1.35	222.00							
80	1.45	222.10							
89	1.50	222.20							

SITE 2							
FLOW (CFS)	LEVEL LOGGER DEPTH (FT)	TAILWATER ELEV. (FT)					
3	0.88	221.36					
20	1.00	221.60					
40	1.15	221.70					
60	1.30	221.80					
80	1.45	221.95					
100	1.60	222.00					

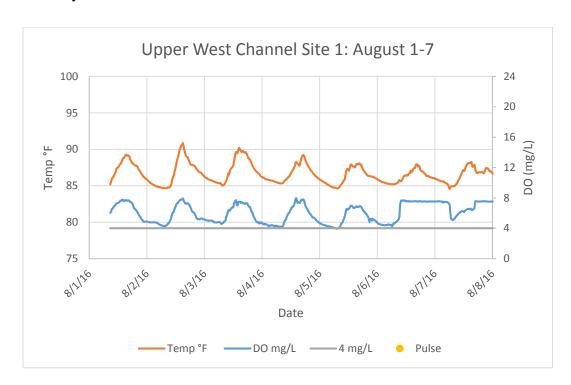
#### 4.1 DISSOLVED OXYGEN AND TEMPERATURE DATA

A summary of DO data collected during August is included in the following sections.

#### August 1-7, 2016

During the week of August 1-7, DO levels briefly dropped below 4 mg/L at the Middle West Channel Site, but DO levels greater than the DHEC standard of 4 mg/L (SCDHEC 2012) were observed for most sampling days at all 4 sites. Field crews noted considerable debris had accumulated around the Middle West Channel HOBO logger during the 8/8 download. The accumulation of debris around the logger could have caused the extremely low DO readings by the logger, which would not be representative of true river conditions. Diel fluctuations in both temperature and DO levels were observed. This week did not contain any planned pulse, but an unplanned operational spill of approximately 15,000 cfs (peak flow) occurred on August 6 and an unplanned operational spill of approximately 7,500 cfs peak flow occurred on August 7. These spill events did not appear to influence DO levels at the Upper or Lower Sites during or after the spills. The Middle Site DO levels appear to have improved with the large spill (Figure 4-3). Minimum and maximum DO and temperatures for each collection site are presented in Table 4-2. Upper Site 2 is a shallow side channel and appears to experience the largest diel swings. DO and temperature collected by YSI are presented in Table 4-3. Comparisons of DO

and temperature data collected via HOBO and YSI are presented in Table 4-4 and verify the accuracy of the HOBO collections.



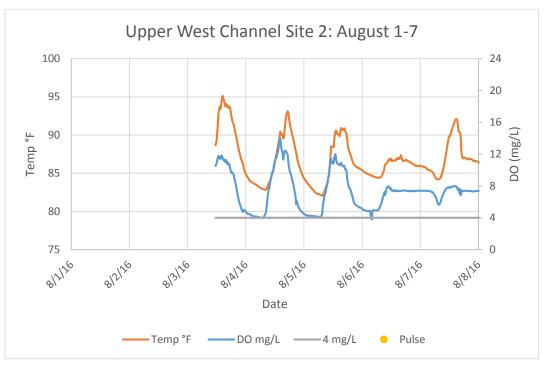
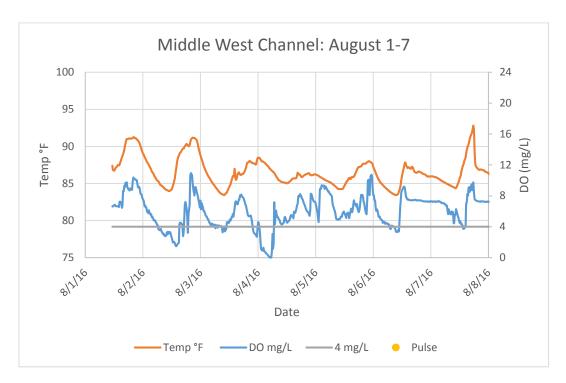
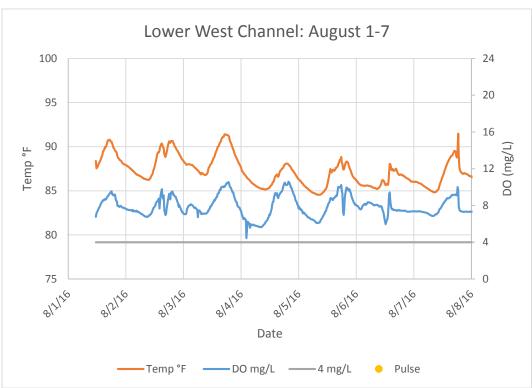


FIGURE 4-3 DISSOLVED OXYGEN AT THE UPPER, MIDDLE, AND LOWER WEST CHANNEL LOCATIONS – AUGUST 1-7





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FIGURE 4-3 DISSOLVED OXYGEN AT THE UPPER, MIDDLE, AND LOWER WEST CHANNEL LOCATIONS – AUGUST 1-7

TABLE 4-2 MAXIMUM, MINIMUM, AND AVERAGE TEMPERATURES AND DISSOLVED OXYGEN FOR AUGUST 1-7, 2016

AUGUST 1-7, 2016									
	ТЕМР	TEMPERATURE (°F) DISSOLVED OXYGEN (MG/I							
	MAX	Min	AVG	MAX	MIN	AVG			
Upper West Site 1	90.86	84.56	86.66	7.97	3.94	6.03			
Upper West Site 2	95.14	82.04	86.84	13.99	3.79	7.34			
Middle West	92.80	83.44	86.60	10.94	0.00	6.04			
Lower West	91.47	84.56	87.26	10.59	4.45	7.91			

TABLE 4-3 YSI SPOT MEASUREMENTS FOR AUGUST 1, 2016

		YSI	YSI
Location	Time	DO (mg/L)	Temp (°F)
YSI 1	0800	4.59	84.6
YSI 2	0815	5.19	85.3
YSI 3	0840	5.60	85.3
YSI 4	0847	5.73	86.0
YSI 5	0855	5.72	86.0
YSI 6	0858	5.24	85.8
YSI 7	0905	5.95	85.1
YSI 8	n/a	n/a	n/a
Middle West Channel	1100	6.50	86.9
Lower West Channel	1130	6.36	87.1

TABLE 4-4 YSI DO VERIFICATION FOR AUGUST 1, 2016

Location	Time	YSI DO (mg/L)	YSI Temp (°F)	HOBO DO (mg/L)	HOBO Temp (°F)
YSI 2	0815	5.19	85.3	6.03*	85.17*
YSI 7	0905	5.95	85.1	**	**
Middle West Channel	1100	6.50	86.9	6.63	87.40
Lower West Channel	1130	6.36	87.1	6.77	88.38

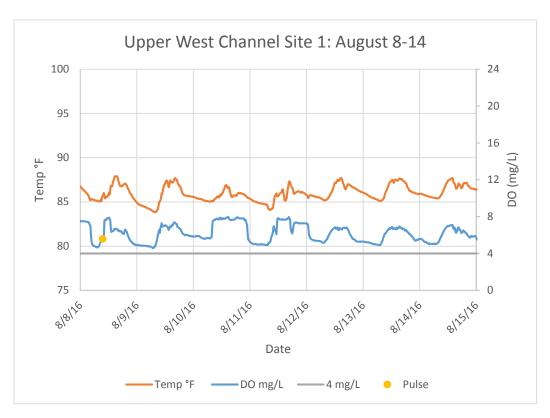
<sup>\*</sup> First HOBO data point taken at 0845

<sup>\*\*</sup> HOBO deployed on 8/3/16

#### August 8-14, 2016

During the week of August 8-14, DO levels briefly dropped below 4 mg/L during one day at Upper Site 2, but DO levels greater than 4 mg/L were observed during all other sampling days at all sampling sites. Diel fluctuations in both temperature and DO levels were observed at all sites (Figure 4-4). Minimum and maximum DO and temperatures for each collection site are presented in Table 4-5. Upper Site 2 again experienced the largest diel swings. There was a pulse of approximately 24 acre feet on August 8. DO and temperature collected by YSI prior to and during the planned pulse are presented in Table 4-6. These data show that the planned pulse provided a slight increase in DO during the pulse. There were also unplanned spills of 16,500 cfs peak flow on August 10 and 9,000 cfs peak flow on August 11. None of the spill events appeared to significantly affect DO readings in the west channel. However, these unplanned spills would have provided some flushing of the west channel and could have helped to improve overall water quality. A comparison of YSI and HOBO readings again showed that the HOBO's were collecting accurate data (Table 4-7).





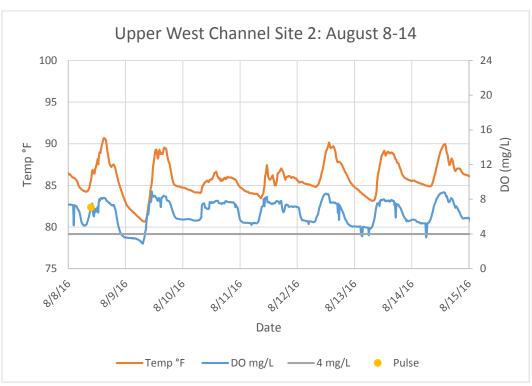
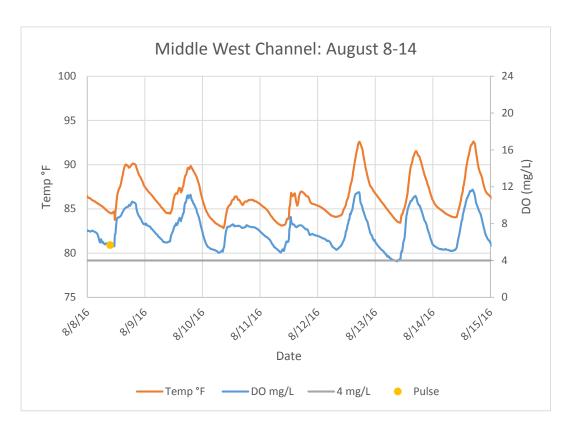
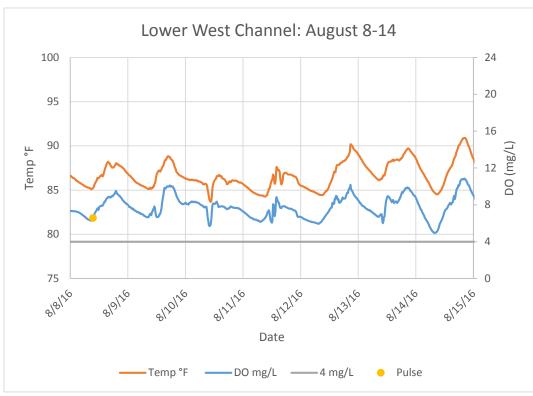


FIGURE 4-4 DISSOLVED OXYGEN AT THE UPPER, MIDDLE, AND LOWER WEST CHANNEL LOCATIONS - AUGUST 8-14, 2016





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FIGURE 4-4 DISSOLVED OXYGEN AT THE UPPER, MIDDLE, AND LOWER WEST CHANNEL LOCATIONS – AUGUST 8-14, 2016

TABLE 4-5 MAXIMUM, MINIMUM, AND AVERAGE TEMPERATURES AND DISSOLVED OXYGEN FOR AUGUST 8-14, 2016

August 8-14, 2016								
	TEMPERATURE (°F) DISSOLVED OXYGEN (MG/L)							
	MAX	MIN	Avg	Max	Min	AVG		
Upper West Site 1	87.91	83.84	85.97	7.97	4.58	6.20		
Upper West Site 2	90.68	80.67	85.85	8.90	2.89	6.46		
Middle West	92.62	82.83	86.41	11.68	3.91	7.28		
Lower West	90.90	83.66	86.70	10.86	4.93	7.75		

TABLE 4-6 YSI SPOT MEASUREMENTS FOR AUGUST 8, 2016

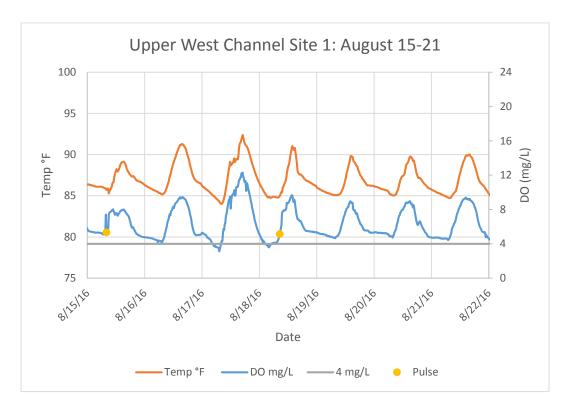
	Pri	DURING PULSE				
LOCATION	DO (mg/L)	Temp (°F)	Time	DO (mg/L)	Temp (°F)	Time
YSI 1	5.49	85.1	0850	7.26	85.8	1100
YSI 2	5.11	85.3	0853	7.12	85.6	1028
YSI 3	5.24	85.5	0903	7.11	85.5	1031
YSI 4	4.80	85.6	0906	7.12	85.5	1033
YSI 5	4.91	85.8	0910	7.19	85.6	1036
YSI 6	5.13	85.8	0913	6.58	86.0	1038
YSI 7	6.49	86.0	0919	5.65	86.4	1041
YSI 8	6.26	86.4	0935	6.61	87.3	1046
Middle West Channel (Bridge)	n/a	n/a	n/a	6.42	84.9	1130
Lower West Channel	n/a	n/a	n/a	7.21	86.4	1149

TABLE 4-7 YSI DO VERIFICATION FOR AUGUST 8, 2016

		YSI DO	YSI Temp	HOBO DO	HOBO Temp
Location	Time	(mg/L)	(° <b>F</b> )	(mg/L)	(° <b>F</b> )
YSI 2	0853	5.11	85.3	5.59	85.06
YSI 7	0919	6.49	86.0	6.81	85.35
Middle West Channel	1130	6.42	84.9	6.80	83.77
Lower West Channel	1149	7.21	86.4	7.45	86.36

#### August 15-21, 2016

During the week of August 15-21, DO levels below 4 mg/L were observed at several sites over several days, but never remained below 4 mg/L for more than several hours. Diel fluctuations in both temperature and DO levels were observed at all sites (Figure 4-5). Minimum and maximum DO and temperatures for each collection site are presented in Table 4-8. Upper Site 2 again experienced the largest diel swings. There were pulse flows of approximately 25 acre feet on 8/15 and 8/18. Both of the spill events appeared to have positive effects on DO levels in the Upper and Middle Sites. DO and temperature collected by YSI prior to and during the planned pulse are presented in Table 4-9. These data show that the planned pulse provided a slight increase in DO during the pulse. No unplanned spills occurred during the week. Comparison of the YSI readings and the HOBO logger data again showed that the HOBO's were collecting accurate data.



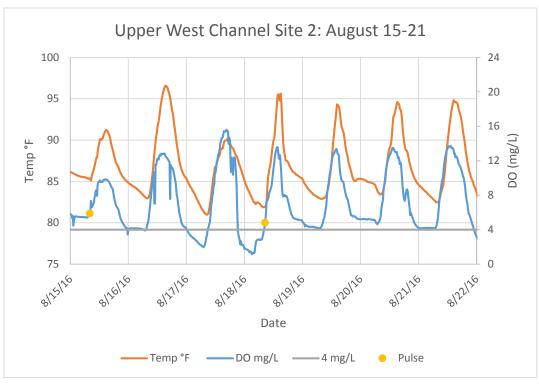
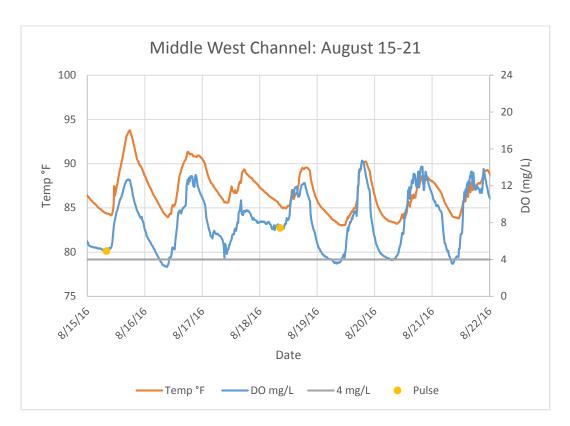
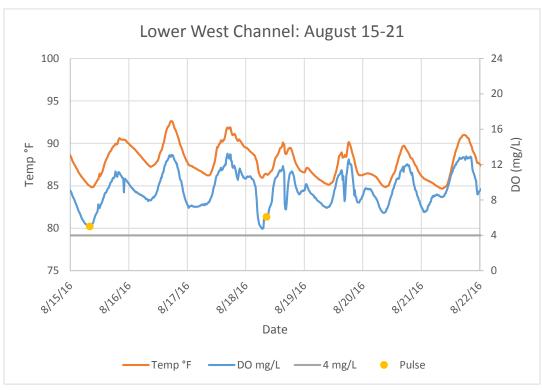


FIGURE 4-5 DISSOLVED OXYGEN AT THE UPPER, MIDDLE, AND LOWER WEST CHANNEL LOCATIONS - AUGUST 15-21, 2016





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FIGURE 4-5 DISSOLVED OXYGEN AT THE UPPER, MIDDLE, AND LOWER WEST CHANNEL LOCATIONS – AUGUST 15-21, 2016

TABLE 4-8 MAXIMUM, MINIMUM, AND AVERAGE TEMPERATURES AND DISSOLVED OXYGEN FOR AUGUST 15-21, 2016

AUGUST 15-21, 2016									
	TEMPERATURE (°F) DISSOLVED OXYGEN (MG/L)								
	Max	MAX MIN AVG			MIN	AVG			
Upper West Site 1	92.37	84.02	86.97	12.30	3.12	6.38			
Upper West Site 2	96.58	80.96	86.87	15.61	1.15	7.19			
Middle West	93.78	83.01	86.82	14.74	3.18	8.13			
Lower West	92.62	84.67	87.84	13.23	4.72	9.24			

TABLE 4-9 YSI SPOT MEASUREMENTS FOR AUGUST 15, 2016

	Pı	RE-PULSE		DURING PULSE		
LOCATION	DO (mg/L)	Temp (°F)	Time	DO (mg/L)	Temp (°F)	Time
YSI 1	5.40	85.5	0747	8.36	86.7	1023
YSI 2	5.50	86.0	0753	8.15	86.5	1020
YSI 3	5.45	86.1	0800	8.13	86.4	1017
YSI 4	5.44	86.1	0807	8.17	86.6	1015
YSI 5	5.44	86.1	0810	6.91	86.9	1013
YSI 6	5.31	85.6	0812	6.75	87.0	1011
YSI 7	6.59	85.7	0816	7.92	87.1	1000
YSI 8	5.91	85.9	0821	7.60	87.2	1008
Middle West Channel (Bridge)	n/a	n/a	n/a	8.00	86.7	
Lower West Channel	n/a	n/a	n/a	6.57	86.0	

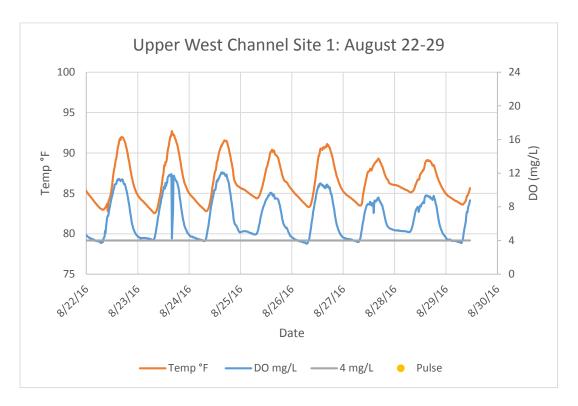
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 YSI DO VERIFICATION FOR AUGUST 15, 2016

		YSI DO	YSI Temp	HOBO DO	HOBO Temp
Location	Time	(mg/L)	(° <b>F</b> )	(mg/L)	(° <b>F</b> )
YSI 2	0753	5.50	86.0	5.33	85.71
YSI 7	0816	6.59	85.7	6.00	85.35
Middle West Channel		8.00	86.7	8.29	86.36
Lower West Channel		6.57	86.0	7.07	86.43

<sup>\*</sup> Middle and Lower times estimated to be 1130 and 1200

#### August 22-29, 2016

During the week of August 22-29, there were no planned or un-planned spillway releases. There were a few DO excursions at the Upper Site 1, Middle, and Lower sites during the week (Figure 4-6). The largest diel fluctuations were observed at Upper Site 2, with DO levels dropping below 4 mg/L and rising up to 21.73 mg/L during a single 24-hour period (Table 4-11). DO and temperature data collected by YSI verified these DO spikes (Table 4-12). This increase in diel fluctuation is likely the result of low flows (no pulse & reduced generation) during the week and a rapid increase of vegetation at the two Upper Sites. Field crews noted a very large increase in the abundance of aquatic vegetation (Hydrilla and Spirogyra) during this last week of testing throughout the upper reach of the west channel (Photo 4-1; Photo 4-2).



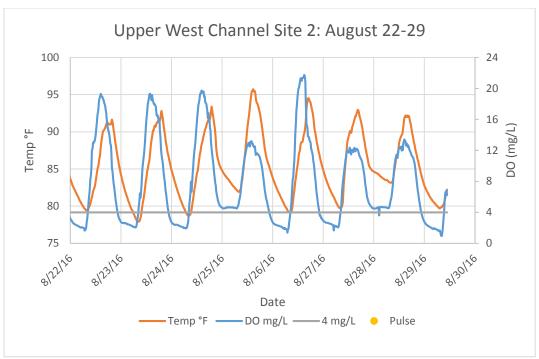
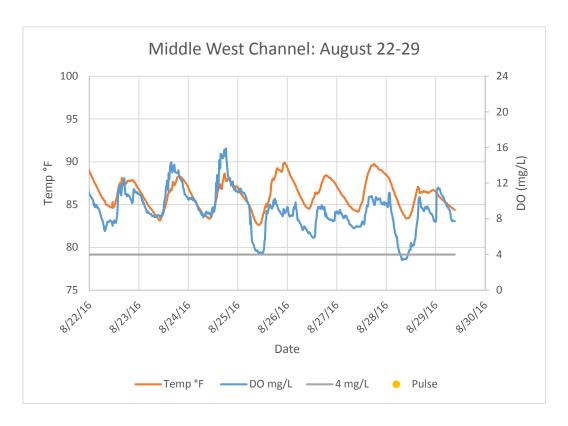
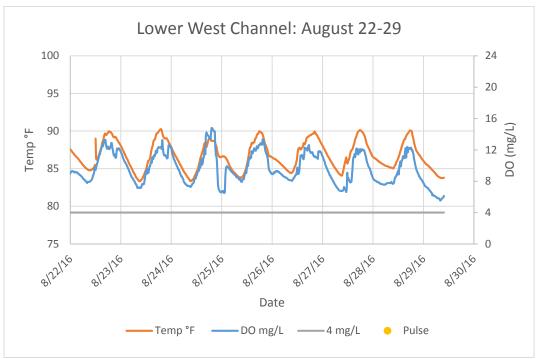


FIGURE 4-6 DISSOLVED OXYGEN AT THE UPPER, MIDDLE, AND LOWER WEST CHANNEL LOCATIONS - AUGUST 22-29, 2016





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FIGURE 4-6 DISSOLVED OXYGEN AT THE UPPER, MIDDLE, AND LOWER WEST CHANNEL LOCATIONS - AUGUST 22-29, 2016

TABLE 4-11 MAXIMUM, MINIMUM, AND AVERAGE TEMPERATURES AND DISSOLVED OXYGEN FOR AUGUST 22-29, 2016

AUGUST 22-29, 2016									
	TEMPERATURE (°F) DISSOLVED OXYGEN (MG/L								
	MAX	MIN	AVG	MAX	MIN	AVG			
Upper West Site 1	92.73	82.54	86.41	12.11	3.60	6.68			
Upper West Site 2	95.72	77.90	85.37	21.73	0.95	7.90			
Middle West	89.89	82.62	86.24	15.91	3.37	9.00			
Lower West	90.25	83.34	86.73	14.81	5.54	9.64			

TABLE 4-12 YSI SPOT MEASUREMENTS FOR AUGUST 22 & 29, 2016

	Aug	ust 22, 2016		August 29, 2019		
Location	DO (mg/L)	Temp (°F)	Time	DO (mg/L)	Temp (°F)	Time
YSI 1	8.58	83.7	0950			
YSI 2	7.18	83.8	0954	9.26	86.0	1124
YSI 3	6.97	83.8	1002	7.70	85.1	1037
YSI 4	6.34	84.4	1004	8.68	86.2	1114
YSI 5	7.13	84.0	1006	9.06	85.6	1111
YSI 6	12.80	83.7	1046	13.60	84.9	1109
YSI 7	12.97	81.5	1013	15.05	83.7	1057
YSI 8	8.13	81.3	1026	11.22	83.5	1047
Middle West Channel (Bridge)	7.18	84.7	1115	7.69	84.2	0925
Lower West Channel	0.42	85.6	1133	6.70	83.8	0940

 TABLE 4-13
 YSI DO VERIFICATION FOR AUGUST 22, 2016

Location	Time	YSI DO (mg/L)	YSI Temp (°F)	HOBO DO (mg/L)	HOBO Temp (°F)
YSI 2	0954	7.18	83.8	6.94	82.8
YSI 7	1013	12.97	81.5	12.04	81.18
Middle West Channel	1115	7.18	84.7	7.2	85.32
Lower West Channel	1133	10.10	85.6	9.57	85.32

TABLE 4-14 YSI DO VERIFICATION FOR AUGUST 29, 2016

Location	Time	YSI DO (mg/L)	YSI Temp (°F)	HOBO DO (mg/L)	HOBO Temp (°F)
YSI 2	1124	9.26	86.0	8.78	85.64
YSI 7	1057	15.05	83.7	6.84	82.22
Middle West Channel	0925	7.69	84.2	7.75	84.38
Lower West Channel	0940	6.70	83.8	6.12	83.8



PHOTO 4-1 UPPER REACH OF THE WEST CHANNEL (NOTE MULTIPLE POCKETS OF AQUATIC VEGETATION)



PHOTO 4-2 HYDRILLA AND SPIROGYRA IN THE UPPER REACH OF THE WEST CHANNEL

#### Comparison of 2015 and 2016 August Data

The 2015 report noted that the HOBO monitor in the Upper West Channel was frequently fouled by vegetation wrapping around the monitors and proposed that this fouling resulted in erroneous data collections. During 2016, the HOBO monitors were checked weekly and remained free of vegetation fouling.

The Upper West Channel 2015 data experienced large diel fluctuations for the entire month, with DO ranging from highs up to approximately 21 mg/L down to DO levels at or near 0 mg/L. The Upper Site 1 – 2016 data did not show these drastic swings and rarely documented DO below 4 mg/L. The Upper Site 2 – 2016 data was similar to the 2015 DO observations only during the latter part of the month when no pulsing flows were experienced. Upper Site 2 also had an abundance of aquatic vegetation throughout the study period and likely influenced the diel shifts observed during the last week of August 2016. The 2016 data showed that the Upper West Channel sites do not all experience DO levels consistently below 4 mg/L. The 2016 test also showed that pulsing spillway flows periodically during the summer improve DO levels in the Upper West Channel area.

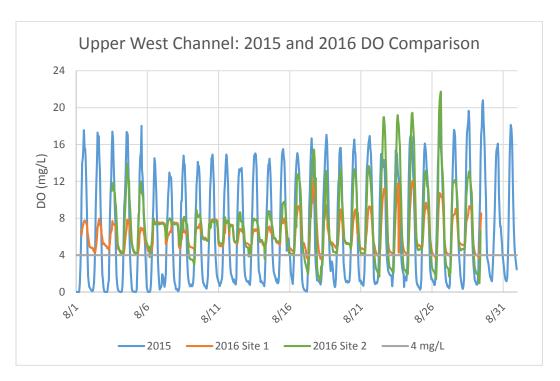


FIGURE 4-7 DISSOLVED OXYGEN AT THE UPPER WEST CHANNEL LOCATIONS - AUGUST 2015 AND 2016

Daily maximum DO levels in the Middle West Channel were higher in 2016 than in 2015. Diel fluctuations were also more pronounced in 2016. However, lower DO levels occurred during 2015 for most days in August. Diel fluctuations became more pronounced in 2016 towards the end of August (at the same time that the abundance of aquatic vegetation increased), whereas the fluctuations in 2015 remained relatively constant. It is likely that checking and cleaning the HOBO loggers weekly during 2016 resulted in better data. It appears that the spillway flows (both planned and unplanned) helped to increase the observed DO levels in 2016.

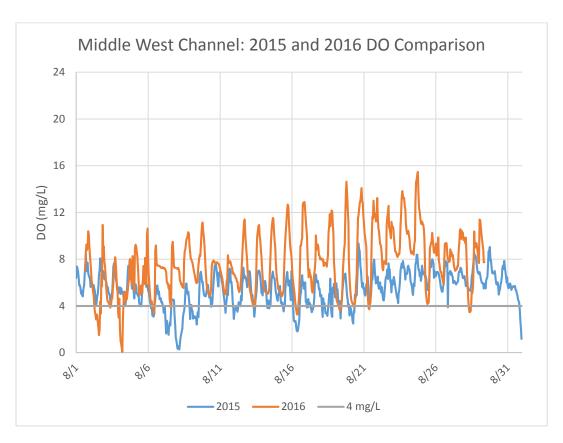


FIGURE 4-8 DISSOLVED OXYGEN AT THE MIDDLE WEST CHANNEL LOCATION - AUGUST 2015 AND 2016

DO levels were generally higher in 2016 than in 2015 at the lowest reach. Both years experienced diel fluctuations, with DO levels in 2015 reaching overall lower levels than those observed during 2016. The Lower West Channel site appears to be most affected by turbine operations as river flows back up into this area. DO levels for both of the years rarely dropped below 4 mg/L and this site should continue to meet DO standards in the future.

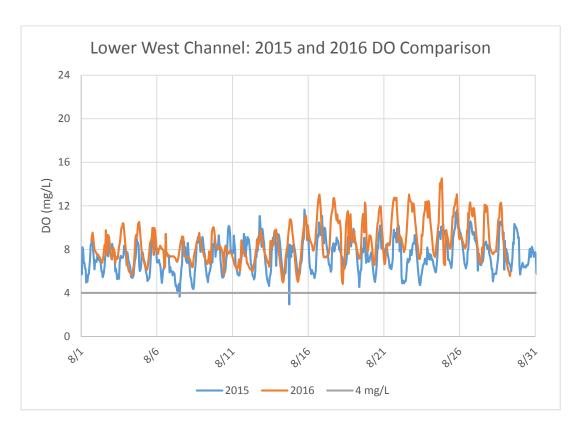


FIGURE 4-9 DISSOLVED OXYGEN AT THE LOWER WEST CHANNEL LOCATION - AUGUST 2015 AND 2016

#### 5.0 DISCUSSION

DO levels generally remained above the DHEC standard of 4 mg/L (SCDHEC 2012) during 2016, with diel fluctuations in both temperature and DO occurring throughout the study. Greater fluctuations in DO were observed later in the month as aquatic vegetation increased and spillway flows were curtailed. Unlike the original 2015 study, where equipment was continually fouled by aquatic vegetation, equipment during this 2016 study was kept clean, suggesting that the results of this study offer more accurate readings for DO experienced in the west channel during the late summer period.

DO levels in 2016 were generally greater than those observed during 2015, reaching higher levels, and not reaching minimum levels observed during 2015. Equipment was kept clean in 2016 through frequent site visits, and by placing equipment in locations where fouling was less likely to occur. Conversely, equipment in 2015 had spirogyra wrapped around it on several occasions, which likely affected those results. DO levels in the upper and middle west channel did experience increased daily spikes in DO levels as August progressed, which may be due to the increased amount of aquatic vegetation that was observed during the latter half of 2016. While some vegetation, particularly spirogyra, was observed during 2015, an abundance of Hydrilla was observed during 2016. Hydrilla was not observed during the 2015 study and is a new exotic species for the area that will influence the west channel habitat conditions in the future. Further, the large unplanned spillway releases that occurred early in the 2016 study may have influenced the study results by retarding the dominance of aquatic vegetation in the west channel.

Overall, water quality in the west channel seems to be most impacted during the later summer months, when stream flows are typically lower, temperatures are warmer, and vegetation growth is at a higher level. The planned smaller spillway pulses appeared to have had a positive effect on DO levels in the west channel, as observed DO levels were measurably increased with each of the planned pulse events. The pulses of approximately 25 acre-feet, in combination with the unplanned spills, were able to maintain higher levels of water quality in the West channel.

The study also determined that water levels in the west channel are strongly influenced by flows from the powerhouse and indicate that tailrace flows enter the west channel. An increase in the amount of water passing through the powerhouse will increase the amount of water in the west channel and should help to improve DO levels in the west channel.

It is possible that the higher DO levels observed during 2016 were a result of both the flows to the west channel from the tailrace combined with periodic spills of approximately 25 acre feet. More data over several years may be needed to fine tune the frequency and amount of spills that are needed to boost west channel DO levels during the late summer.

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# **Exhibit E-4 Water Resources**

Adaptive Management Plan-Enhancements to the West Channel Downstream of Parr Shoals Dam

# ADAPTIVE MANAGEMENT PLAN

# ENHANCEMENTS TO THE WEST CHANNEL DOWNSTREAM OF PARR SHOALS DAM

## SOUTH CAROLINA ELECTRIC & GAS COMPANY

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# ADAPTIVE MANAGEMENT PLAN FOR

# ENHANCEMENTS TO THE WEST CHANNEL DOWNSTREAM OF PARR SHOALS DAM

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#### **DEFINITIONS OF TERMS, ACRONYMS, AND ABBREVIATIONS**

Af acre-foot, the amount of water needed to cover one acre to a depth

of one foot

AMP Adaptive Management Plan

AR American Rivers

CFR Code of Federal Regulations

cfs cubic feet per second

Commission Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

CRK Congaree Riverkeeper

CRSA Comprehensive Relicensing Settlement Agreement

DLA Draft License Application

DO dissolved oxygen, generally expressed in units of parts per million

or milligrams per liter (mg/L)

FERC Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

FLA Final License Application

ft foot

GPS Global Positioning System

IFIM Instream Flow Incremental Methodology

installed capacity the nameplate megawatt rating of a generator or group of

generators

interested parties individuals and entities that have an interest in a proceeding

kW Kilowatt

kWh kilowatt-hour

Licensee South Carolina Electric & Gas Company

Licensing/Relicensing the process of acquiring an original FERC license for a new

proposed hydropower project; or, the process of acquiring a new FERC license for an existing hydropower project after the previous

license has expired.

mg/L Milligrams per liter

Minimum flow A continuous flow, measured in CFS that is required to be released

from the Project dam during specified periods of time.

Msl mean sea level
MW megawatt
MWh megawatt-hour

NGO non-governmental organization

NMFS National Marine Fisheries Services, also known as NOAA

Fisheries

NOAA National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, including

**NMFS** 

PM&E protection, mitigation and enhancement measures

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Project Parr Hydroelectric Project (FERC No. 1894)

Project Area Zone of potential, reasonably direct project effects within the

FERC Project Boundary.

Project Boundary The boundary line defined in the license issued by FERC that

surrounds areas needed for Project purposes.

Review Committee A group, including SCE&G and stakeholders, formed to direct the

implementation of the West Channel AMP. Members of the Review Committee must be signatories to the Comprehensive

Relicensing Settlement Agreement.

SCDHEC South Carolina Department of Health and Environmental Control

SCDNR South Carolina Department of Natural Resources

SCE&G South Carolina Electric & Gas Company

SHPO State Historic Preservation Officer

Tailrace Channel through which water is discharged from the turbines

TLP Traditional Licensing Process
USACE U.S. Army Corps of Engineers
USFWS U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service

USGS U.S. Geological Survey

WQTWC Water Quality Technical Working Committee

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# ADAPTIVE MANAGEMENT PLAN FOR ENHANCEMENTS TO THE WEST CHANNEL DOWNSTREAM OF PARR SHOALS DAM

#### 1.0 INTRODUCTION

South Carolina Electric & Gas Company (SCE&G) will file an application for a new license for its Parr and Fairfield developments on the Broad River with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) in June 2018. The relicensing process was a multi-year cooperative effort between SCE&G and stakeholders, including state and federal resource agencies, nongovernmental organizations and concerned citizens, to address operational, recreational and ecological concerns associated with hydroelectric project operations. During the relicensing process the issue of water quality in the West Channel of Broad River downstream of the Parr Shoals Dam was identified by the Water Quality Technical Working Committee (WQTWC) as an issue to resolve. Members of the WQTWC included representatives from SCE&G, South Carolina Department of Natural Resources (SCDNR), South Carolina Department of Health and Environmental Control (SCDHEC), U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS), American Rivers and Congaree Riverkeeper. The WQTWC discussed and determined a process for evaluating changes and making decisions based on the best available information. During the WQTWC meetings a framework for a West Channel Adaptive Management Plan (AMP) was developed to address improvement of water quality in the West Channel during the new license term (Appendix A). This AMP describes the water quality issue in the West Channel and SCE&G's proposed actions to improve water quality which will be implemented during the new Parr Hydroelectric Project License (FERC No. 1894).

### 1.1 PROJECT DESCRIPTION

The Parr Hydroelectric Project, FERC No. 1894 (Project), includes the 14.88-megawatt (MW) Parr Shoals Development (Parr Development) and the 511.2-MW Fairfield Pumped Storage Development (Fairfield Development) located in Fairfield and Newberry County, South Carolina. Parr Reservoir is a 4,400-acre impoundment formed by the Broad River and the Parr Shoals Dam and serves as the lower reservoir for the Fairfield Pumped Storage Development. Monticello Reservoir is a 6,800-acre impoundment formed by a series of four earthen dams and

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serves as the upper reservoir for the Fairfield Development. The existing Project license was issued by the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC or Commission) on August 28, 1974 for a period of 46 years, terminating on June 30, 2020. SCE&G intends to file for a new license with FERC on or before May 31, 2018.

#### 2.0 WEST CHANNEL AMP REVIEW COMMITTEE

#### 2.1 COMMITTEE MEMBERS

A Review Committee will be formed within 120 days of license issuance to direct the implementation of the AMP. Members of the Review Committee must be signatories to the Comprehensive Relicensing Settlement Agreement (CRSA) with the exception of NOAA Fisheries, USFWS, US Forest Service, South Carolina State Historic Preservation Office, SCDHEC and SCDNR.

SCE&G will serve as chairperson of the Review Committee, and be responsible for organizing meetings and distributing documents to committee members. Each entity will have the opportunity to select a representative to the Review Committee from within their organization.

The Review Committee will ultimately work to guide the decision making processes specified in the West Channel AMP. The Review Committee will not make decisions that supersede state or federal law or USFWS Section 7 Authority. The Review Committee's responsibilities may include, but are not limited to:

- Evaluating baseline information and study plans;
- Providing overall guidance for the AMP process;
- Evaluating other study (i.e., existing) information or information which becomes available during the time period of evaluations and would be applicable to the AMP;
- Establishing and documenting the goals and objectives of each action undertaken as part
  of the AMP and advising when modification to metrics used for evaluation purposes are
  needed;
- Reviewing and considering long term impacts of operational modifications on the Project and Project economics when evaluating the feasibility of implementing modifications;
- Reviewing the West Channel Annual Report which documents the prior year's AMP activities which SCE&G will file with FERC, making it publicly available; and

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• Advising on modifications to the AMP to be presented to FERC and advising if any amendment action is necessary during the license.

#### 2.2 BUDGET/RESOURCES

The responsibility for implementation of this AMP will rest primarily with SCE&G, as licensee for the Parr Project. Annual budgets will be developed by SCE&G relative to the monitoring and study costs as well as administrative costs and expenses. SCE&G will also rely on other resources outside of its establishment including, but not limited to, the following:

- federal, state and local grants
- donated services (federal and state agency involvement)
- equipment (purchases and loaners)
- expertise (governmental, non-governmental, private)

#### 2.3 COMMITTEE MEETINGS

The Review Committee is initially scheduled to consult twice per year via a meeting or conference call. The frequency of meetings may be adjusted based on need. The tentative schedule is provided in Section 6.0 of this plan. Minutes from each meeting, as well as any pertinent materials discussed in the meetings will be filed with FERC as an appendix to the annual report of AMP activities, as described in Section 7.0.

#### 3.0 AMP GOAL

The goal of this AMP is to enhance aquatic habitat in the West Channel through increased year-round stream flows to the area. The stakeholders' desired outcomes of this AMP are to improve water quality year-round (specifically to meet state standards for dissolved oxygen and to improve dissolved oxygen levels in the West Channel during summer/fall periods), to provide a more natural water temperature profile, and to improve water depth and velocity. If the increased stream flows produce the outcomes listed above, it is the opinion of the stakeholders that improved aquatic habitat should result. The methods that will be employed under this AMP to achieve this goal are described in Section 5.0, and the scope of this AMP is limited to the implementation of those measures. The stakeholders agree that if the desired improvements to aquatic habitat in the West Channel are not realized to the extent expected or desired by the

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Review Committee despite the implementation of the methods described in Section 5.0, no further action on the part of SCE&G will be required under this AMP.

### 4.0 BASELINE DATA

#### 4.1 WATER QUALITY

Baseline water quality data was collected in the West Channel during 2015 and 2016 (Kleinschmidt 2016 & 2017). Continuous dissolved oxygen (DO) and temperature data were collected from April 1 through October 15 in 2015 at three monitoring sites in the West Channel and one in the east channel (Figure 4-1).



FIGURE 4-1 PARR SHOALS DOWNSTREAM WATER QUALITY MONITORING SITES

Monitoring in 2015 identified DO levels in the West Channel that periodically were below the SCDHEC standard of 4.0 mg/L. Dissolved oxygen levels in the upper West Channel of the Broad River, downstream of Parr Shoals Dam, were consistently lower than those further down the West Channel and in the east channel. This is likely due to the shallow nature of the river in

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this area, as well as the presence of dense algal mats. Also, during drier weather conditions, the West Channel does not receive a consistent flow of water.

Based on 2015 monitoring results and WQTWC recommendations, SCE&G performed additional water temperature and DO monitoring during August 2016 to verify baseline conditions and to evaluate how discrete spillway releases or pulses through the spillway gates affect water quality in the West Channel. The pulse flows consisted of distinct releases through spillway gates 1 and 2 for approximately 3 hours. The spills were targeted to release 25 acrefeet of water into the West Channel.

Water temperature and DO were continuously monitored at four sites along the western channel. Water level data were collected at 3 locations in the upper West Channel (Upper Site 1, Upper Site 2, and Upper Site 3), and stream flow measurements were collected at two locations in the upper West Channel (Upper Site 1 and Upper Site 2). Each of the upper West Channel monitoring sites are shown in Figure 4-2.

DO levels generally remained above the SCDHEC standard of 4 mg/L during 2016, with diel fluctuations in both temperature and DO occurring throughout the study. Greater fluctuations in DO were observed later in August as aquatic vegetation increased and spillway flows were curtailed. DO levels in 2016 were generally greater than those observed during 2015. The study also determined that water levels in the West Channel were strongly influenced by flows from the powerhouse and indicate that portions of the tailrace flows from the east channel enter the West Channel. Overall, water quality in the West Channel seems to be most impacted during the later summer months, when stream flows are typically lower, temperatures are warmer, and vegetation growth rates are higher.

#### 4.2 WATER LEVEL AND DISCHARGE

Water level and discharge measurements were collected under several operational scenarios on February 17 and 24, 2017 to investigate the relationship between powerhouse discharge (i.e., east channel discharge) and West Channel discharge. Water levels were recorded at 15-minute intervals at four locations: Upper Sites 1, 2, 4, and 5 (Figure 4-2). Discharge measurements were collected at four powerhouse operation levels, including one, two, three, and five-unit operation. The discharge measurements were collected during stable conditions with no spill at

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Upper Sites 1 and 2. Water level logger elevations were determined using a survey-grade GPS and used to calculate water surface elevations. Tailwater elevations and river discharge were obtained from USGS Gage 02160991 (Broad River @ Jenkinsville, SC) and 022161000 (Broad River @ Alston, SC), respectively. Comparisons of water surface elevations during the discharge measurements at the four operational scenarios are depicted graphically in Figure 4-3.

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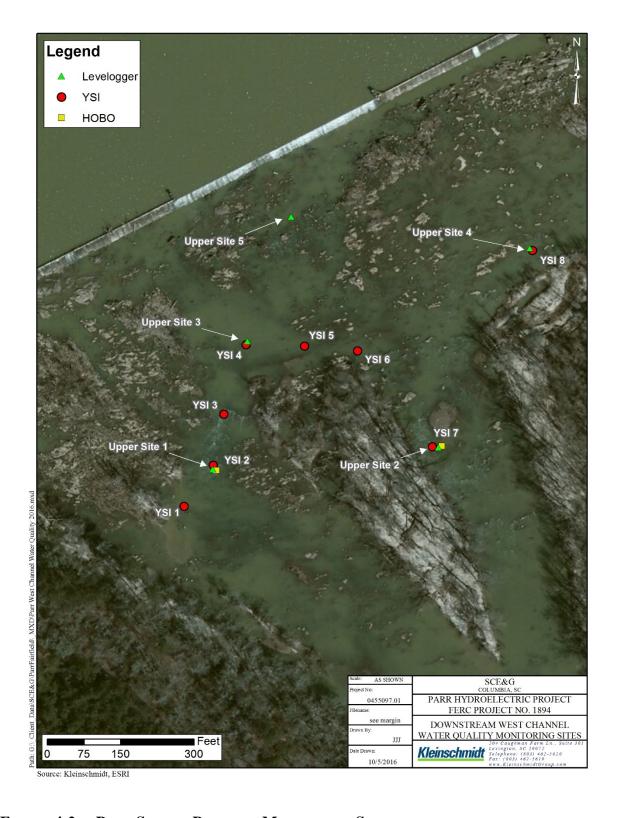


FIGURE 4-2 PARR SHOALS BASELINE MONITORING SITES

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TABLE 4-1 RESULTS OF DISCHARGE MEASUREMENTS IN WEST CHANNEL

Operations	Upper Site 1 Discharge	Upper Site 2 Discharge	Total West Channel Discharge	Broad River at Alston
1 Unit	2	0	2	924
2 Unit	23	10	33	1746
3 Unit	47	32	78	2134
5 Unit	100	171	271	3438

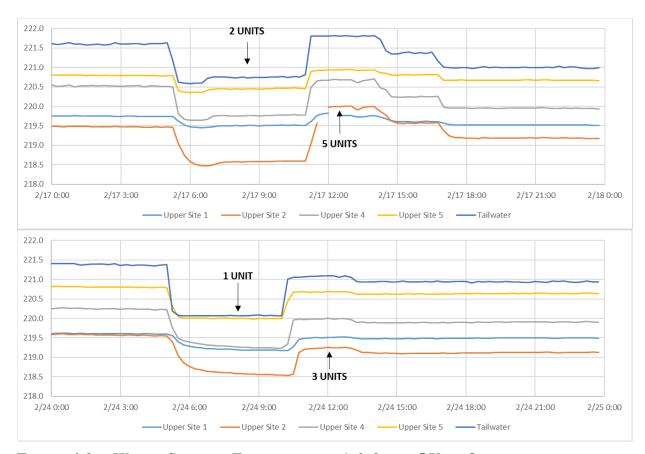


FIGURE 4-3 WATER SURFACE ELEVATIONS AT 1, 2, 3, AND 5 UNIT OPERATIONS

These water surface elevations depicted in Figure 4-3 show the relationship between tailwater elevations and the resulting change at each of the level loggers. This relationship also helps explain why the flows measured in the different channels changed disproportionately as tailwater levels increase with 5-unit flow.

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#### 5.0 IMPLEMENTATION

#### 5.1 MANAGEMENT MEASURES

The WQTWC identified several measures to enhance aquatic habitat in the West Channel that will be implemented in the new operating license through the AMP. The WQTWC did not identify the use of an artificial oxygenation system as one of these measures. These measures are described in detail in the sections below.

#### 5.1.1 FLOW TARGET DETERMINATION

The AMP review committee will determine an approximate target flow that it believes will adequately maintain dissolved oxygen levels in the West Channel. The committee will determine this target using data from the 2015 and 2016 monitoring studies and observations made during flow demonstrations for the IFIM study in 2017. Flows between 50 to 200 cfs have been discussed as a target flow in the West Channel during low flow conditions, but no agreement has been reached.

#### 5.1.2 INCREASED FLOWS

The implementation of new instantaneous minimum flows for Parr should result in a more consistent amount of water flowing into the West Channel from the east channel, compared to the previous license requirement of daily average minimum flows. Monitoring, based on a plan agreed to by the Review Committee, will be conducted after implementation of these minimum flows to determine the extent of the benefits to West Channel aquatic habitat.

#### 5.1.3 CHANNEL MODIFICATIONS

If the AMP Review Committee determines that new instantaneous minimum flows will not provide a sufficient flow into the West Channel to maintain DO levels, it will direct efforts to physically modify existing channel(s) leading into the West Channel. Based on current elevation data, modifying existing channels would be the most effective way to increase flows into the West Channel. Contingent upon obtaining permits and approvals from the USACE, SCDHEC, and NMFS the channel(s) will be modified to provide the identified target flow during periods of minimum flow releases. The first channel modification will occur in Year 2 of the AMP (dependent upon permit approval). A second channel modification (if needed) will be

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completed in Year 4 of the AMP. Potential channel modifications could include notching or deepening of a small channel at the north tip of Hampton Island, and/or removal of material that currently serves as a hydraulic control closer to the Parr Shoals Dam (Figure 5-1).

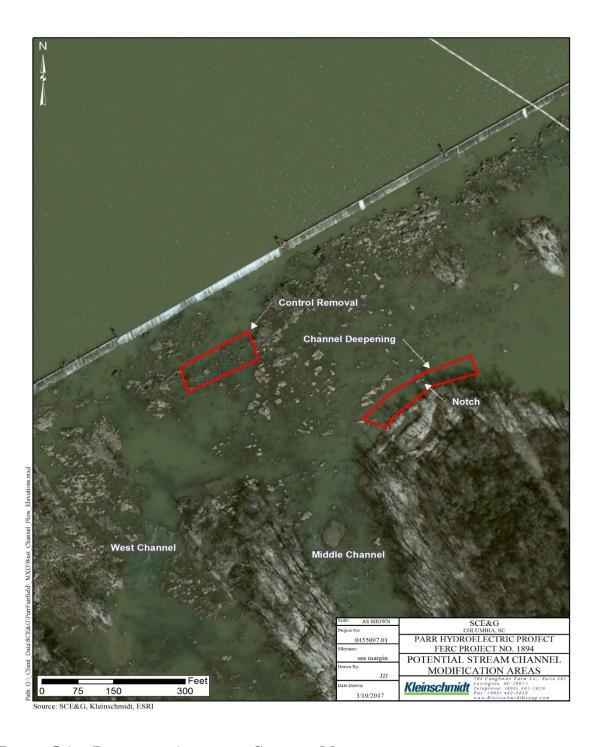


FIGURE 5-1 POTENTIAL AREAS FOR CHANNEL MODIFICATION

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#### 5.1.4 LOW INFLOW PULSES

If inflows to Parr Reservoir decrease to a point that outflows from the dam do not provide any flows to the West Channel, SCE&G will investigate the use of spillway gates to provide periodic flow pulses to "refresh" the West Channel during periods when dissolved oxygen levels are expected to fall below acceptable levels. During the low inflow period, SCE&G will discuss the use of pulses with the Review Committee to make sure that all downstream resources are considered and releases are distributed in a balanced manner between the main channel and the West Channel.

#### 5.2 MONITORING

During each year of the AMP, monitoring will be conducted from May 15 to September 30. Water Quality (temperature and DO) will be continuously monitored (15-mintue intervals) at three sites along the western channel: Sites 1 and 2, just downstream of the Parr Dam, and Site 4, midway down Hampton Island near the Highway 213 bridge (Figure 5-2). Water level data will be collected at Sites 1, 2, and 3 in the upper West Channel. Monitors will be checked and cleaned throughout the study. Every two weeks at minimum, random samples of temperature and DO will be collected within the West Channel. A grid illustrating the sampling area is provided in Figure 5-3. Nine cells (or 10% of the total number of cells within the sampling area) will be chosen at random for each biweekly sample. The random sample will be stratified so that six (or approximately 66% of the total number of sampling cells) sampling cells will be chosen from cells 33-89 above the SC-213 bridge. Three (or approximately 33% of the total number of sampling cells) sampling cells will be chosen from cells 1-32 below the SC-213 bridge. Samples will be collected from anywhere within a chosen cell, due to the presence of islands and bedrock high points. If no water is present in a chosen cell, a preselected alternate cell, selected at the same time as the original nine sampling cells, will be used. Concurrent with the biweekly water quality sampling, stream flow will be measured at Sites 1 and 2 in the upper West Channel. While it will not be a biweekly requirement, enough stream flow measurements will be taken in a given monitoring period to develop a stage-discharge relationship for the West Channel during the sampling period.

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#### 5.3 ANALYSIS

Monitoring data will be processed using appropriate quality control/quality assurance measures. Dissolved oxygen data will be summarized to determine the percentage of instantaneous readings above 4 mg/L, and the number of daily average values above 5 mg/L observed during the sampling period. Temperature data will also be summarized to determine the range of water temperatures observed in the West Channel during the sampling period.

The analysis will also include a summary of daily average discharge at the Parr powerhouse and the USGS Gage 02161000 (Broad River at Alston, SC). Water level data from depth loggers in the West Channel will be used to estimate flow in the West Channel during the monitoring period. The Review Committee will compare the West Channel flow estimates with the IFIM data collected in the West Channel during relicensing (Kleinschmidt Associates 2016) to evaluate weighted usable area (WUA) for various species identified for the West Channel. The objective of the IFIM comparison is not to reach a specific WUA value (such as 80%), but to determine what WUA value results from the increased flows in the West Channel. For this evaluation, monitoring data will only be collected during the period of May 15 through September 30 of each year this AMP is implemented.

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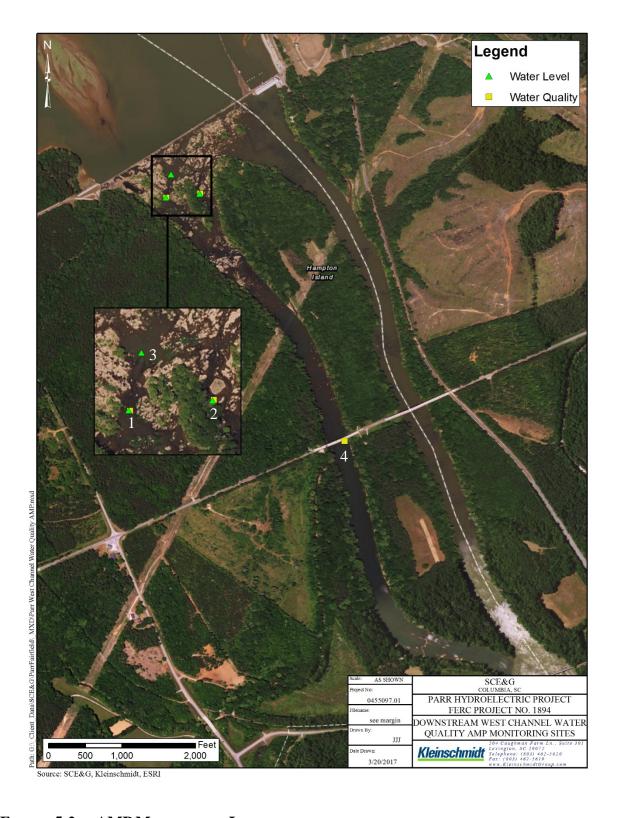


FIGURE 5-2 AMP MONITORING LOCATIONS

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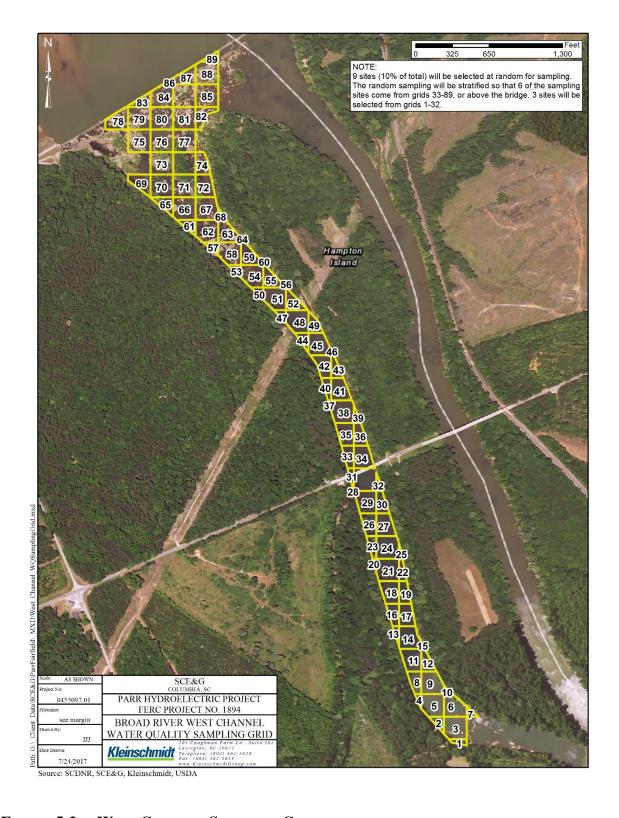


FIGURE 5-3 WEST CHANNEL SAMPLING GRID

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### 6.0 SCHEDULE

The AMP schedule is described in the table below in relation to the issuance of the license by FERC. The dates below are targets and are subject to Review Committee availability.

TABLE 6-1 AMP IMPLEMENTATION SCHEDULE

Period	Item
Within 90 days of	Submit Final West Channel AMP to FERC
license issuance	
120 days of license	Form Review Committee and review West Channel AMP
issuance	
Year 1 of new license	<ul> <li>Monitoring – May - September</li> </ul>
	Annual Report – October
	<ul> <li>Review Committee Meeting – by December 15</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>File Annual Report with FERC – April 30 of following year</li> </ul>
Year 2 of new license	Review Committee consultation – February
	Channel Modifications (if recommended)
	Monitoring – May - September
	Annual Report – October
	<ul> <li>Review Committee Meeting – by December 15</li> </ul>
	File Annual Report with FERC – April 30 of following year
Year 3 of new license	Review Committee consultation – February
	Monitoring – May - September
	Annual Report – October
	Review Committee Meeting – by December 15
	• File Annual Report with FERC – April 30 of following year
Year 4 of new license	Review Committee consultation – by end of March
	Second Channel Modification (if needed)
	<ul> <li>Monitoring – May - September</li> </ul>
	Annual Report – October
	Review Committee Meeting – by December 15
	• File Annual Report with FERC – April 30 of following year
Year 5 of new license	Review Committee consultation – by end of March
	Monitoring – May - September
	Annual Report – October
	Review Committee Meeting – by December 15
	Develop recommendation for completion or continuation of
	AMP
	• File Annual Report with FERC – April 30 of following year

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#### 7.0 COMPLIANCE

Compliance will be based on following the schedule in Section 6.0 and submission of an annual AMP report each year to FERC. The annual report will contain a summary of all AMP activities and data, including an assessment of the extent to which goals and objectives were achieved. The report will be made available to appropriate entities for review and comment at least 30 days prior to being submitted to FERC. All comments on the report, pertinent correspondence, and Review Committee meeting minutes will be appended to the annual report.

At the end of the 5-year AMP period, the Review Committee will provide final recommendations to FERC on extension or completion of the AMP. If the AMP is completed, then final compliance criteria will be proposed by the Review Committee for use during the remainder of the license.

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# APPENDIX A SUMMARY OF CONSULTATION

#### Appendix A

The Water Quality TWC, a sub-section of the Water Quality, Fish and Wildlife RCG, convened often throughout the relicensing process to discuss the development of the West Channel AMP. A list of meeting dates pertinent to the development of this AMP is included below. The complete consultation record for the development of this AMP, including notes from the meetings listed below, can be found in Appendix A of the Final License Application's Exhibit E.

- Water Quality TWC Meeting March 23, 2016
- Water Quality TWC Meeting June 23, 2016
- Water Quality TWC Meeting December 14, 2016
- Joint<sup>1</sup> RCG Meeting March 28, 2017
- Joint RCG Meeting July 18, 2017

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> A Joint RCG Meeting refers to a meeting where all RCGs are present, including the Water Quality, Fish and Wildlife RCG, the Lake and Land Management and Recreation RCG, and the Operations RCG.

# **Exhibit E-4 Water Resources**

Parr Fairfield Water Quality Report

# WATER QUALITY REPORT

# PARR FAIRFIELD HYDROELECTRIC PROJECT FERC No. 1894

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### WATER QUALITY REPORT

## PARR FAIRFIELD HYDROELECTRIC PROJECT FERC No. 1894

#### SOUTH CAROLINA ELECTRIC & GAS COMPANY

## 1.0 INTRODUCTION

The Parr Fairfield Hydroelectric Project (FERC No. 1894) ("Parr Fairfield Project" or "Project"), owned and operated by the South Carolina Electric & Gas Company ("SCE&G" or "Licensee"), is currently licensed by the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission ("FERC" or "the Commission") through June 2020. In anticipation of relicensing, this water quality report has been prepared utilizing existing water quality data available for the waters associated with the Parr Fairfield Project including Parr Reservoir, Monticello Reservoir, the downstream reach of the Broad River, located below the Parr Shoals Dam, and a site located upstream of Parr Reservoir, on the Broad River near Carlisle.

The Parr Reservoir, located in Fairfield County, South Carolina, is a 4,400 acre impoundment formed by the Broad River and the Parr Shoals Dam and serves as the lower reservoir for the Fairfield Pumped Storage Development. Monticello Reservoir, a 6,800 acre impoundment is formed by a series of four earthen dams and serves as the upper reservoir for the pumped storage development. While the Broad River upstream and downstream of the Parr Reservoir is not included in the Project Boundary Line (PBL), this report will also examine the water quality at select sites to evaluate potential effects from Project operations.

It should be noted that the V. C. Summer Nuclear Station (VCSNS) is located on the south end of Monticello Reservoir, but is not part of the Parr Fairfield Project. However, the two projects do share Monticello Reservoir, with VCSNS utilizing lake waters as a coolant for its single nuclear unit, Unit #1. Currently the VCSNS is being expanded to include two more nuclear units, 2 and 3, which will utilize the Parr Reservoir as a coolant upon completion of the project.

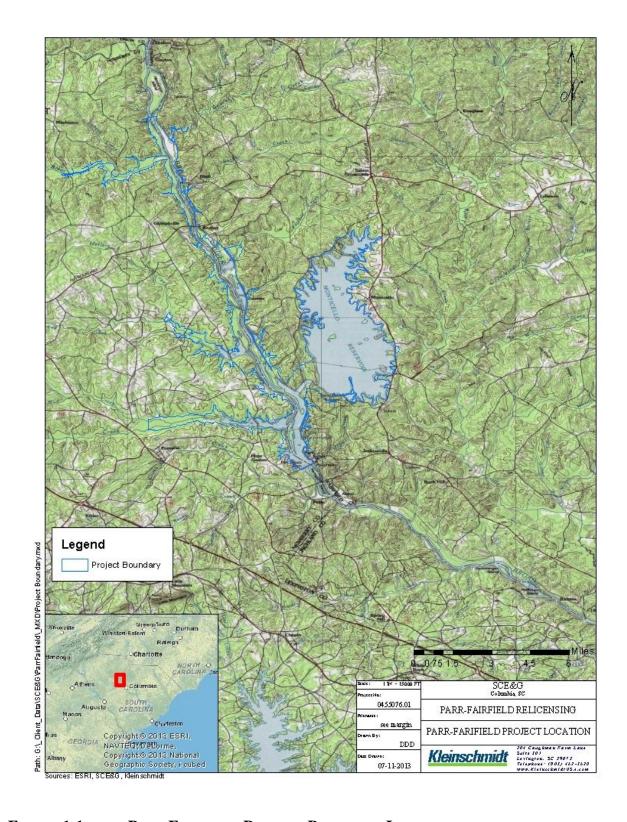


FIGURE 1-1 PARR FAIRFIELD PROJECT BOUNDARY LINE

### 1.1 GOALS AND OBJECTIVES

The goal of this water quality report is to collect and present existing data for the Parr Reservoir, Monticello Reservoir, and select upstream and downstream sites on the Broad River above Parr Reservoir and below the Parr Shoals Dam to accurately describe the past and current water quality of these areas. In addition, this report serves to establish a water quality baseline for the Project, as well as identify any potential water quality trends which may be associated with effects from Project operations.

# 1.2 BACKGROUND WATER QUALITY INFORMATION

While there are many ways to evaluate the health of a river or lake, this report focuses on a few common water quality indicators such as water temperature, dissolved oxygen, conductivity and pH, among others, to best describe the health of the Parr Fairfield Project waters. General information on the parameters utilized in this report, along with an explanation of why they are commonly used water quality indicators, is included below.

## Dissolved oxygen

Oxygen found in water is measured in its dissolved form as dissolved oxygen, or DO. DO in water is consumed by aquatic animals, decomposition of organic matter and various other chemical reactions, making it an extremely important resource within lakes, streams and rivers. DO levels fluctuate seasonally, as well as diurnally. Aquatic biota can be vulnerable to low DO levels which naturally occur on early mornings of hot summer days, when stream flows are low, water temperatures are high and aquatic plants have not been producing oxygen since sunset the day before (USEPA 1997).

#### *Conductivity*

As defined by the United States Environmental Protection Agency (USEPA or EPA), conductivity is a measure of the ability of water to pass an electrical current, and is affected by the presence of inorganic dissolved solids, such as chloride, nitrate, sulfate, and phosphate anions or sodium, magnesium, calcium, iron and aluminum cations. Temperature also has an effect on conductivity, where the warmer the water, the higher the conductivity, which is why conductivity is typically reported at  $25^{\circ}$ C. The geology of the area through which the river flows will have a large impact on the conductivity of the water. A range of 50 to  $1500 \,\mu$ S/cm is typical of rivers throughout the United States. Waters with a conductivity measurement outside of this range may

indicate that the river is not suitable for various species of fish and macroinvertebrates (USEPA 1997).

### pH

Another indicator of water quality is pH, a term used to indicate the alkalinity or acidity of a substance as ranked on a scale from 1.0 to 14.0. As the acidity in a water sample increases, the pH decreases. The pH for pure water is 7.0. The pH of a river or lake affects many chemical and biological processes occurring in the water, allowing for different organisms to flourish or deteriorate within different pH ranges. Typically, a majority of aquatic animals prefer a pH range of 6.5-8.0. Low pH can allow for toxic elements and compounds to become available for uptake by aquatic plants and animals, producing lethal conditions for many species (USEPA 1997).

#### **Turbidity**

The measurement of water clarity is known as turbidity. Materials suspended in water, such as soil particles, algae, plankton and microbes typically ranging in size from 0.004mm to 1.0mm, can decrease the passage of light through water. Since the suspended particles absorb heat, high turbidity can increase water temperatures, and thus decrease DO concentrations. High turbidity will also reduce the amount of light that is able to penetrate the water, which in turn inhibits photosynthesis and the production of DO. Increased tubidity's reduction of light penetration also has a potential affect in mediating algal blooms. Suspended materials that might cause high turbidity can also clog fish gills, reducing a fish's ability to resist disease, as well as lowering fish growth rates and negatively affect egg and larval development (USEPA 1997).

## Nitrogen and Phosphorus

Nitrogen is found in several different forms in aquatic ecosystems, including ammonia, nitrates (NO<sub>3</sub>) and nitrites (NO<sub>2</sub>). Phosphorus usually exists in nature as part of a phosphate molecule (PO<sub>4</sub>) and is found in aquatic systems as organic and inorganic phosphate. While nitrogen and phosphorus in their various forms are essential plant nutrients, excessive amounts can cause significant water quality issues. When combined with phosphorus, nitrates in excess amounts can accelerate eutrophication, which causes extreme increases in aquatic plant growth and changes in the types of plants and animals that inhabit a body of water. Dissolved oxygen, temperature and other water quality indicators are also affected (USEPA 1997).

## Chlorophyll-a

Chlorophyll-a is the primary photosynthetic pigment in algae and cyanobacteria. Chlorophyll-a is measured to determine the amount of algae present in a water body. High algae concentrations can cause a variety of water quality issues, such as decreased dissolved oxygen and increased nutrient pollution (USEPA 1997).

#### Metals

While some metals at specific concentrations are essential for good water quality, the presence of other metals is extremely dangerous and toxic to aquatic life. The "heavy metals" such as cadmium, chromium, mercury and lead are the most toxic to aquatic organisms.

## 2.0 METHODOLOGY

### 2.1 OVERVIEW

This report covers four separate bodies of water as they relate to the Parr Fairfield Project, including the Parr Reservoir, Monticello Reservoir, the Broad River upstream of Parr Reservoir, and the Broad River downstream of the Parr Shoals Dam. This report also focuses mainly on common water quality indicators such as temperature, dissolved oxygen, pH and conductivity, along with additional data when available, on turbidity, nitrogen, phosphorus, chlorophyll-a and metals. Existing data, extending back to 1999, were assembled for each area from several different sources at several different collection sites. Water quality data were compiled from several sources including the US Geological Service (USGS), the South Carolina Department of Health and Environmental Control (SCDHEC), the South Carolina Department of Natural Resources (SCDNR), and SCANA Corporate Environmental Services (parent company to SCE&G). Figure 2-1 depicts the USGS, SCDHEC, and SCANA water quality monitoring sites utilized in this report.

Sediment from the Parr Reservoir was sampled and analyzed for various metals by SCANA in 2012 and the findings from this study are also included in this report.

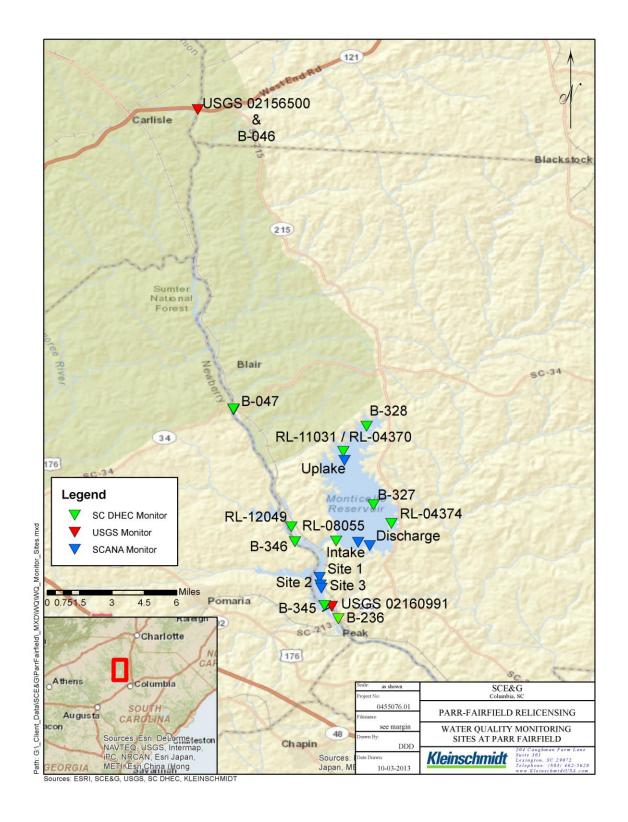


FIGURE 2-1 MAP OF WATER QUALITY MONITORING LOCATIONS FOR THE PARR FAIRFIELD HYDRO PROJECT

#### 2.2 PARR RESERVOIR DATA COLLECTION METHODS

## 2.2.1 PARR RESERVOIR WATER QUALITY DATA

Data used within this report to describe water quality conditions for the Parr Reservoir were compiled from SCANA and SCDHEC.

SCANA collects vertical profile water quality data at three locations within Parr Reservoir in accordance with the provisions of the Section 401 certification of the Clean Water Act issued to SCE&G by SCDHEC. Sampling locations include the vicinity of the combined discharge of the cooling tower blowdown and other liquid waste streams from the two new nuclear units (2 and 3) that are being constructed adjacent to the Parr Reservoir as part of the V. C. Summer Nuclear Station expansion. The parameters of temperature, dissolved oxygen, specific conductivity, and pH are collected on a monthly basis beginning in 2011 and continuing for five years after the nuclear units 2 and 3 are fully operational. Data included in this report were collected from January 2011 through December 2013. This vertical profile data are currently collected at three locations in the Parr Reservoir, including Site 1, located approximately 500 yards upstream of the proposed discharge site for the new nuclear units 2 and 3; Site 2, located at the proposed discharge site for the new nuclear units 2 and Site 3, located approximately 300 yards downstream of the proposed discharge site. Figure 2-2 shows the exact monitoring locations in the Parr Reservoir.

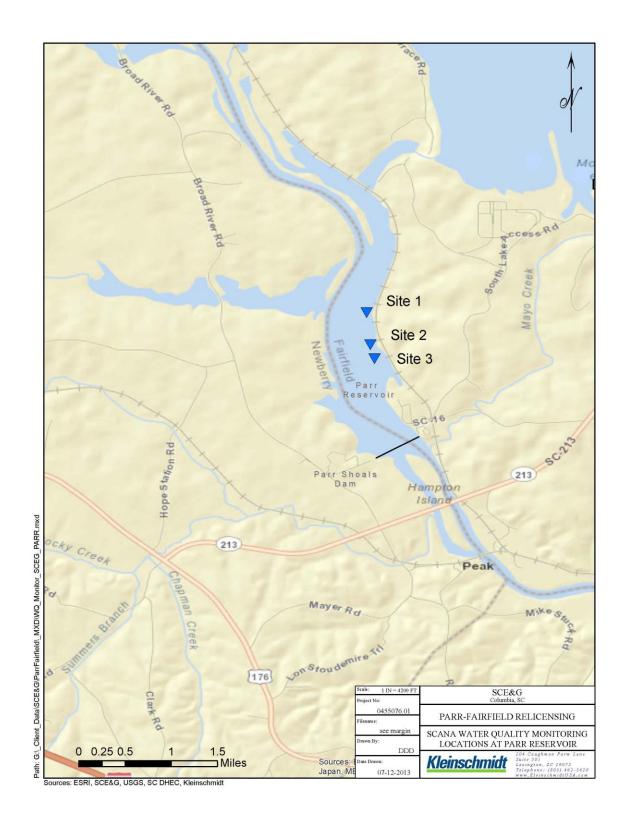


FIGURE 2-2 SCANA MONITORING SITES ON THE PARR RESERVOIR

Data are collected by SCANA employees using a YSI 650 MDS Water Quality Logger that is equipped with a YSI 600XL Sonde or instrumentation of equivalent capabilities and accuracy. The meters used for data collection were calibrated following SCANA SCDHEC approved calibration procedures prior to data collection. To establish a vertical profile of the water quality at each specific site, data were collected at each location beginning at the surface and at one meter intervals to the reservoir bottom. Total depth at each sampling site varies depending on the operation of the Fairfield Pumped Storage and river flow at the time of sampling.

SCANA also collected metals data near Site 2 in the Parr Reservoir (see Figure 2-2). Surface grab samples were collected once a month from June 2007 through April 2008 and sent to an outside lab for analysis.

SCDHEC has several monitoring stations located within the Parr Reservoir. Permanent sites are labeled as B-047, B-346 and B-345. Additionally one randomly selected site was monitored by SCDHEC in 2012 and this site is labeled as RL-12049. The exact locations of these sites are shown in Figure 2-3. Samples are collected at these monitoring sites by way of grab samples on a monthly or bi-monthly basis depending on site and year. Over the years the SCDHEC monitoring schedule has undergone several changes, and therefore monitoring has not occurred continuously at all sites. Also, site B-346 was listed as inactive beginning in 2005. SCDHEC water quality data included in this report were retrieved from the EPA's data warehouse, STORET.

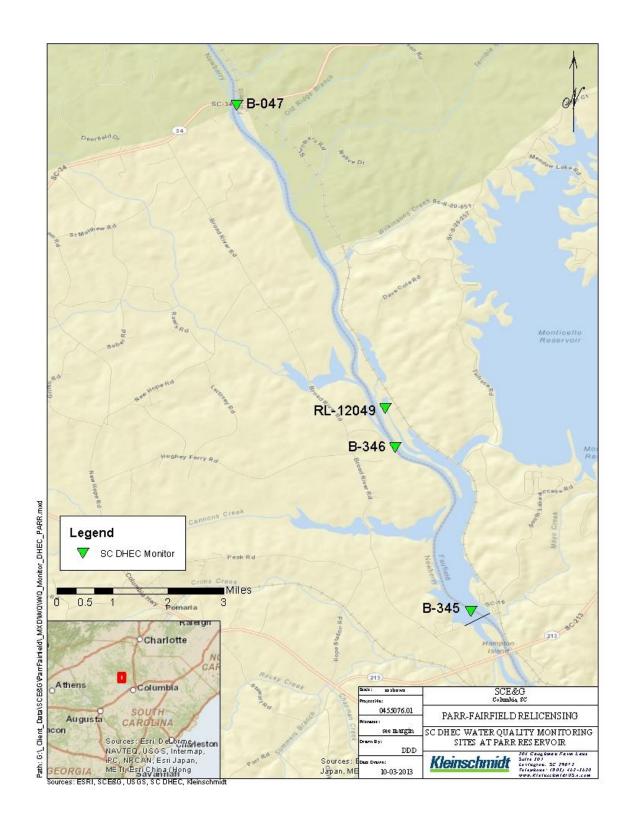


FIGURE 2-3 SCDHEC MONITORING STATIONS ON PARR RESERVOIR

#### 2.2.2 PARR RESERVOIR SEDIMENT DATA

In accordance with provisions of the Clean Water Act Section 401 Water Quality Certification (WQC) issued to SCE&G by SCDHEC, SCANA began annual collections of sediment samples from two locations in the Parr Reservoir for analysis of the following metals (total): aluminum, antimony, arsenic, barium, beryllium, cadmium, calcium, chromium, copper, iron, lead, magnesium, manganese, mercury, nickel, potassium, silver, strontium, thallium and zinc. Total phosphorus was also measured.

Sediment samples were collected from two transects located within Parr Reservoir. The first transect was located just north of the Heller's Creek confluence approximately 4 miles upstream of the discharge location. The second transect was located approximately 200 yards downstream of the cooling water discharge location. Sampling at each transect consisted of collection of one grab sample from each of five sample points along each transect. One sample was collected from each end of the transect (eastern shore and western shore). The third sample point was located at the mid-point of each transect. The remaining two sample points were located equidistant from the mid-point sample location and each end of each transect. All sample points are constantly inundated at the reservoir's low pool elevation (256ft msl; NGVD 29). The five grab samples were composited and thoroughly homogenized to form one discrete sample from each transect. Basic water quality parameters including temperature, DO, conductivity and temperature were also collected, using a YSI 650 MDS Water Quality Logger equipped with a YSI 600XL Sonde or instrumentation of equivalent capabilities and accuracy at each transect. Figure 2-4 shows the exact location of the two transects.



FIGURE 2-4 TRANSECTS FOR PARR RESERVOIR SEDIMENT INVESTIGATION REPORT 2012

## 2.3 MONTICELLO RESERVOIR DATA COLLECTION METHODS

Data used within this report to describe water quality conditions for Monticello Reservoir were compiled from SCANA and SCDHEC.

SCANA collects vertical profile water quality data in accordance with the provisions of the Section 401 WQC in the vicinity of the intake and discharge of the VCSNS on Monticello Reservoir. The parameters of temperature, dissolved oxygen, specific conductivity, and pH are collected on a monthly basis, with 10 years of data included here, beginning in January 2003 and ending in December 2012. Vertical profile data are currently collected at three locations on Monticello Reservoir, including the site known as "intake," located in the channel near the

circulating water intake for the VCSNS; the site known as "discharge," located just outside the northern end of the circulating water discharge canal for VCSNS; and the site known as "uplake," located near the northern end of the reservoir. Figure 2-5 shows the exact monitoring locations on Monticello Reservoir.

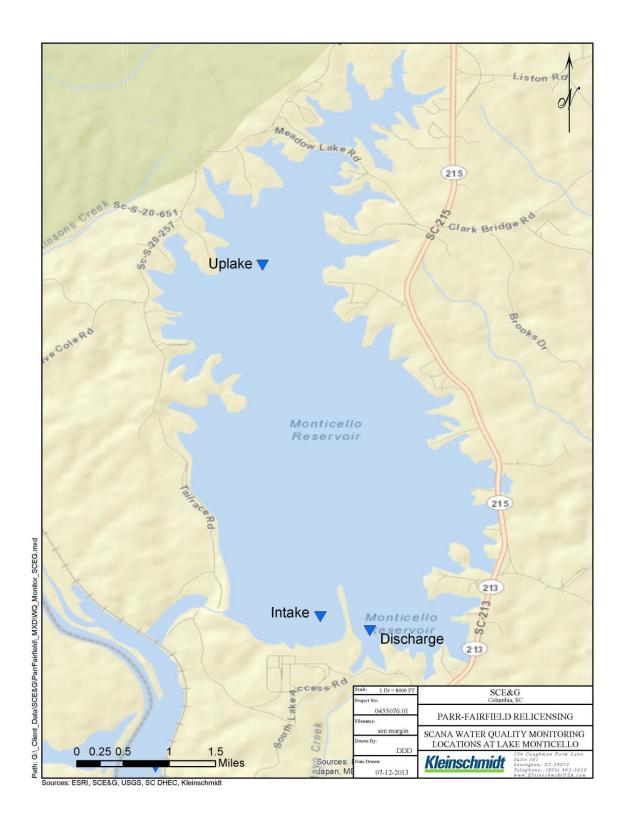


FIGURE 2-5 SCANA MONITORING SITES ON MONTICELLO RESERVOIR

Data were collected using a YSI 650 MDS Water Quality Logger that is equipped with a YSI 600XL Sonde or instrumentation of equivalent capabilities and accuracy. The meters used for data collection were calibrated following SCANA procedures prior to data collection. To establish a vertical profile of the water quality at each specific site, field measurements were collected at each location beginning at the surface and at one meter intervals to the reservoir bottom. Total depth at each sampling site varies depending on the operation of the Fairfield Pumped Storage and river flow at the time of sampling.

SCANA also collected metals data near the Intake site on Monticello Reservoir (see Figure 2-5). Surface grab samples were collected once a month from June 2007 through April 2008 and sent to an outside lab for analysis.

SCDHEC has two permanent monitoring stations located on Monticello Reservoir, identified as B-327 and B-328. Additionally four randomly selected sites were monitored by SCDHEC in 2004, 2008, and 2011; these sites are labeled as RL-04370, RL-04374, RL-08055, and RL-11031. The exact location of these sites is shown in Figure 2-6. As previously mentioned, the SCDHEC monitoring schedule has undergone several changes over the last 15 years, and therefore monitoring has not occurred continuously at all sites. Data are collected at these monitoring sites by way of grab samples on a monthly or bi-monthly basis depending on individual site and year. Site B-328 was listed as inactive in 2005. SCDHEC water quality data included in this report was downloaded from the EPA's data warehouse, STORET.

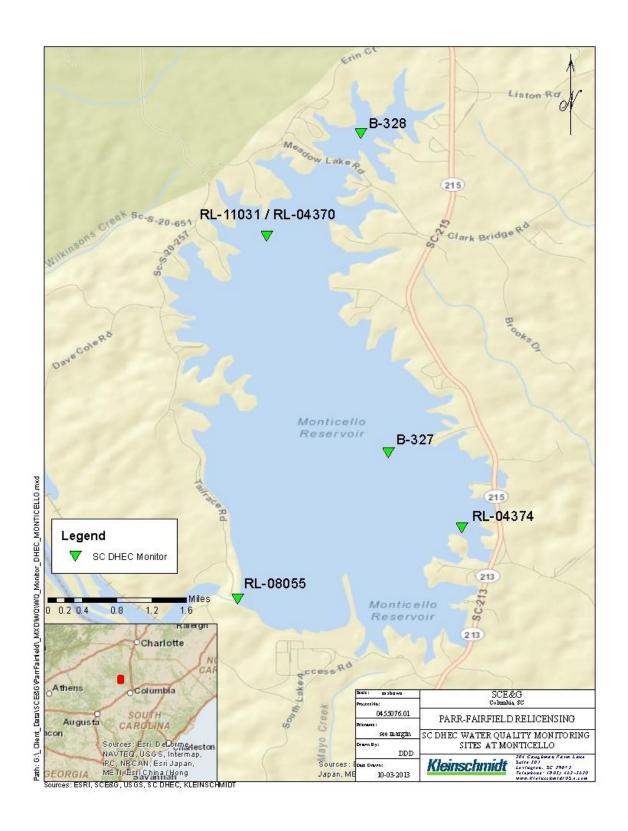


FIGURE 2-6 SCDHEC MONITORING STATIONS ON MONTICELLO RESERVOIR

## 2.4 Broad River Upstream of Parr Reservoir Data Collection Methods

Data used within this report to describe water quality conditions for the reach of the Broad River upstream of the Parr Reservoir were compiled from USGS, SCDHEC and SCDNR.

The USGS gage 02156500, at the Broad River near Carlisle, SC collects instantaneous data on gage height, specific conductivity, DO, temperature, and pH. For the purposes of this report, only daily averaged data from the last ten years for conductivity, DO, temperature, and pH were used. See Figure 2-7 for a map showing the exact location of the USGS gage.

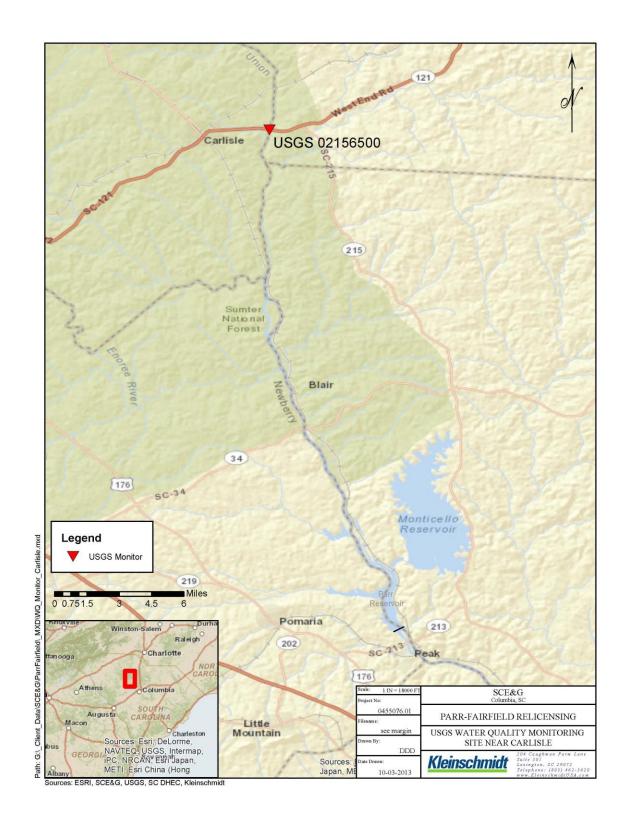


FIGURE 2-7 LOCATION OF USGS GAGE 02156500

SCDHEC has a permanent monitoring site located upstream of the Parr Reservoir near the USGS gage 02156500, labeled as B-046. The exact location of this site is shown in Figure 2-8. Data were collected at this monitoring site by way of grab samples on a monthly basis until late 2009 and bi-monthly thereafter. SCDHEC water quality data for monitoring site B-046 was downloaded from the EPA's data warehouse, STORET.

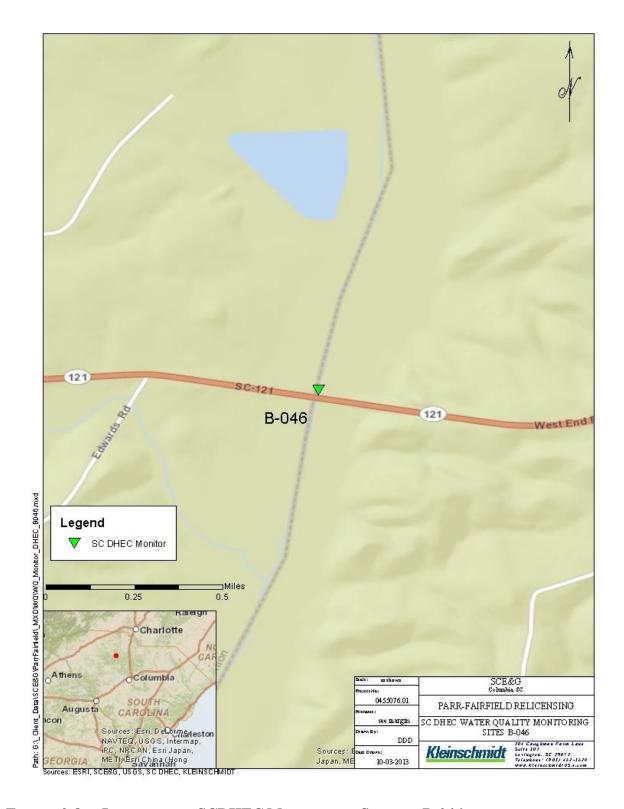


FIGURE 2-8 LOCATION OF SCDHEC MONITORING STATION B-046

Additionally, the South Carolina Geological Survey (SCGS), a division of SCDNR contributed turbidity data that were collected at the USGS gage 02156500 from June of 2012 through August 2013 as part of a four year project funded by the Broad River Mitigation Trust Fund, entitled "Developing sediment management guidelines to enhance habitat and aquatic resources in the Broad River Basin, South Carolina." Water samples were collected with a USGS DH-74 with weight attached to a bridge board, reel and cable. Samples were retrieved using calculated transit rates descending and ascending through the water column to collect depth integrated isokinetic samples. The equal-width-increment (EWI) method was used. Water samples were taken back to the lab and composited. Turbidity was measured with a LaMotte 2020we benchtop turbidity meter. Three individual measurements were taken for each sample and averaged. Water samples were then wet- sieved through a 63um sieve to separate coarse sediment from fine sediment. These two sub-samples were then filtered individually to produce grain size data for in-situ sediment. A third subsample was processed to determine total mass.

#### 2.5 Broad River Downstream of Parr Shoals Dam Data Collection Methods

Data used within this report to describe water quality conditions for the reach of the Broad River immediately downstream of the Parr Shoals Dam were compiled from USGS, SCDHEC and SCDNR.

The USGS gage 02160991, at the Broad River near Jenkinsville, SC collects instantaneous data on gage height, specific conductivity, DO, temperature and pH. For the purposes of this report, only daily averaged data from the last ten years for conductivity, DO, temperature and pH were used. A map showing the exact location of the USGS gage is shown in Figure 2-9.

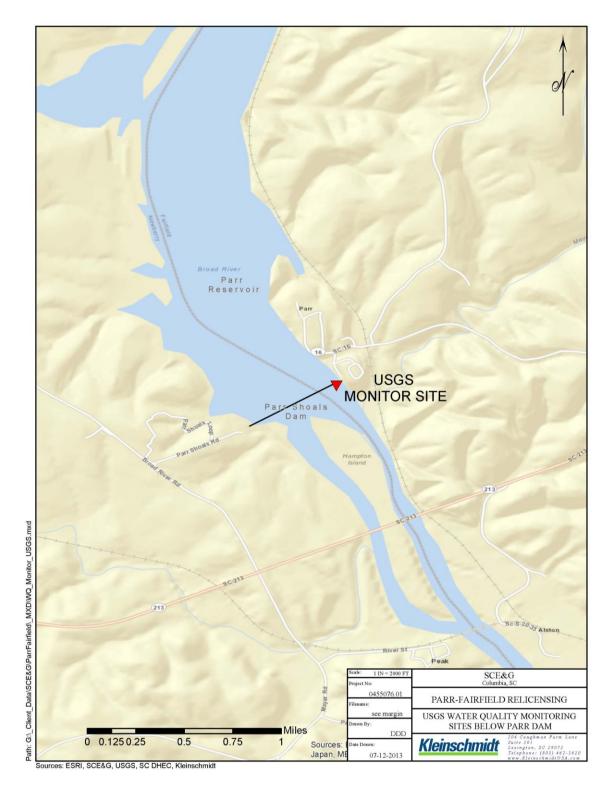


FIGURE 2-9 LOCATION OF USGS GAGE 02160991

SCDHEC has a permanent monitoring site located downstream of the Parr Shoals Dam and the USGS gage 02160991, labeled as B-236. The exact location of this site is shown in Figure 2-10. Data were collected at this monitoring site by way of grab samples on a monthly basis, however data were only available for years 1999 and 2004. This site was listed as inactive in 2005. SCDHEC water quality data for monitoring site B-236 were downloaded from the EPA's data warehouse, STORET.

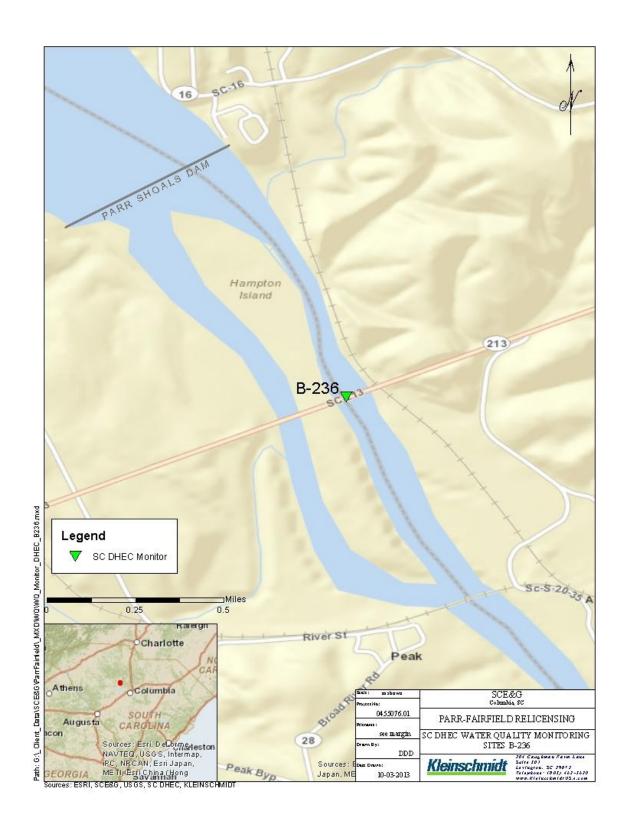


FIGURE 2-10 LOCATION OF SCDHEC MONITORING STATION B-236

SCDNR also contributed water quality data collected over the last few years as part of ongoing fisheries research in the area of the Broad River downstream of the Parr Shoals Dam. It is important to note that these data are currently unpublished and is being collected as part of an ongoing Lower Broad River Fish Community Study being conducted by SCDNR Region 3 Fisheries. Data collections include temperature, DO, conductivity, and salinity measurements using a YSI-85, pH measurements with an Oakton pH11 Series, and turbidity with a La Motte 2020e. Data included in this report were collected from three general areas along the Broad River, below the Parr Shoals Dam. Description of these locations are as follows; Reach 1, the first mile below Parr Shoals Dam, from the dam to the railroad crossing; Reach 2A, the pristine middle reach extending from the railroad crossing to the top of Bookman Shoals; and Reach 2B, the pristine middle reach extending from the top of Bookman Shoals to Boatwright Island. Figure 2-11 shows these three reaches of the Broad River.

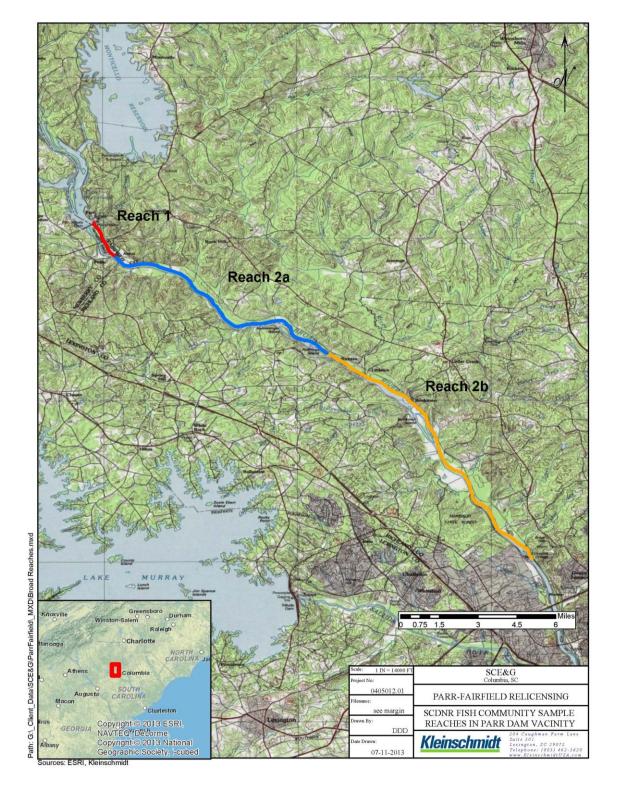


FIGURE 2-11 THREE REACHES OF THE BROAD RIVER DOWNSTREAM OF THE PARR SHOALS DAM

## 2.6 SCDHEC WATER QUALITY STANDARDS FOR FRESHWATERS

SCDHEC identifies freshwaters (FW) as the following; suitable for primary and secondary contact recreation and as a source for drinking water supply after conventional treatment in accordance with SCDHEC requirements; suitable for fishing and the survival and propagation of a balanced indigenous aquatic community of fauna and flora; and suitable for industrial and agricultural uses. All waters associated with the Project are classified as FW by SCDHEC. Listed below in Table 2-1 and Table 2-2 are the SCDHEC water quality standards for FW as they apply to the parameters examined in this report. For SCDHEC standards of metals, see the SCDHEC Regulations 61-68, Water Classifications & Standards.

TABLE 2-1 SCDHEC WATER QUALITY STANDARDS FOR FRESHWATERS

PARAMETER	STANDARD	
Temperature	The water temperature of all Freshwaters which are free	
	flowing shall not be increased more than 5°F (2.8°C) above	
	natural temperature conditions and shall not exceed a	
	maximum of 90°F (32.2°C) as a result of the discharge of	
	heated liquids unless a different site-specific temperature	
	standard as provided for in C.12. has been established, a	
	mixing zone as provided in C.10. has been established, or a	
	Section 316(a) determination under the Federal Clean Water	
	Act has been completed.	
pH	Between 6.0 and 8.5.	
Dissolved Oxygen	Daily average not less than 5.0mg/l with a low of 4.0 mg/l.	
Turbidity (reservoirs only)	Not to exceed 25 NTUs provided existing uses are maintained	
Turbidity (excluding reservoirs)	Not to exceed 50 NTUs provided existing uses are	
	maintained.	

TABLE 2-2 SCDHEC NUTRIENT STANDARDS FOR WATERS IN THE PIEDMONT AND SOUTHEASTERN PLAINS ECOREGIONS

PARAMETER	STANDARD
Total Nitrogen	$\leq 1.50 \text{ mg/l}$
Total Phosphorus	$\leq$ 0.06 mg/l
Chlorophyll a	≤ 40 ug/l

SCDHEC has also identified several metals that they consider to be essential in indicating the ability of a body of water to support aquatic life. These core indicator metals are listed below in Table 2-3.

TABLE 2-3 SCDHEC CORE INDICATOR METALS FOR AQUATIC LIFE SUPPORT USE

CORE INDICATORS		
METALS		
Cadmium		
Chromium		
Copper		
Lead		
Mercury		
Nickel		
Zinc		

# 3.0 RESULTS

## 3.1 PARR RESERVOIR

#### 3.1.1 SCE&G VERTICAL PROFILE DATA

#### 3.1.1.1 TEMPERATURE

Water temperatures depicted in the graphs below are an average of monthly readings collected by SCE&G personnel, beginning in January of 2011 to December of 2013. Site 1 refers to the monitoring site located approximately 500 yards upstream of the proposed discharge site for the new nuclear units 2 and 3. Site 2 refers to the monitoring site located at the proposed discharge site for the new nuclear units 2 and 3. Site 3 is the monitoring site located approximately 300 yards downstream of the proposed discharge site.

General trends in the water temperature of the Parr Reservoir include increasing temperatures during the summer, peaking at approximately 30°C during the months of July and August, and decreasing temperatures with increasing depth in the reservoir.

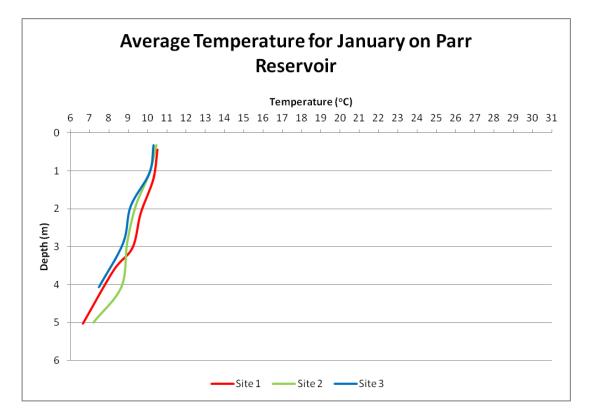


FIGURE 3-1 AVERAGE TEMPERATURE FOR JANUARY ON PARR RESERVOIR

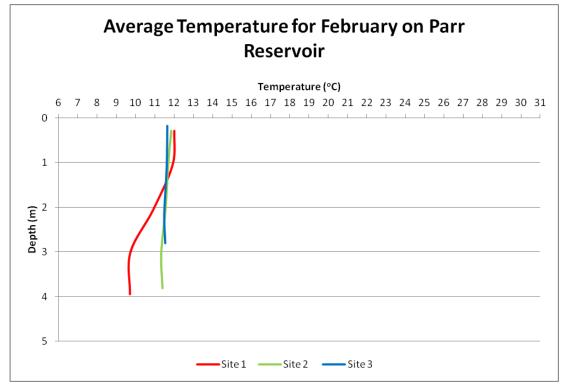


FIGURE 3-2 AVERAGE TEMPERATURE FOR FEBRUARY ON PARR RESERVOIR

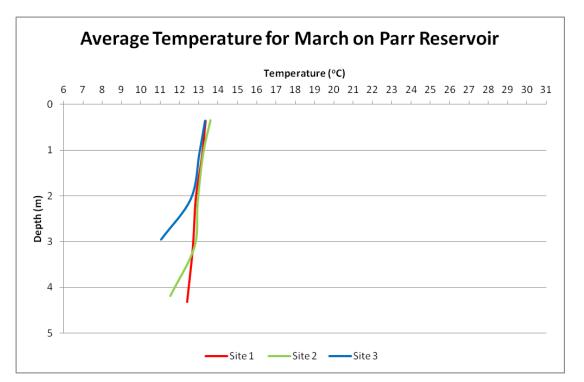


FIGURE 3-3 AVERAGE TEMPERATURE FOR MARCH ON PARR RESERVOIR

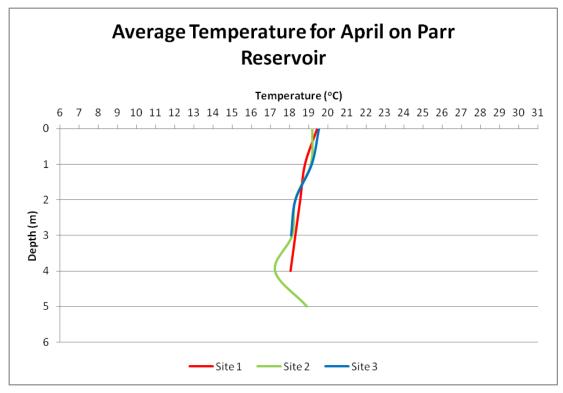


FIGURE 3-4 AVERAGE TEMPERATURE FOR APRIL ON PARR RESERVOIR

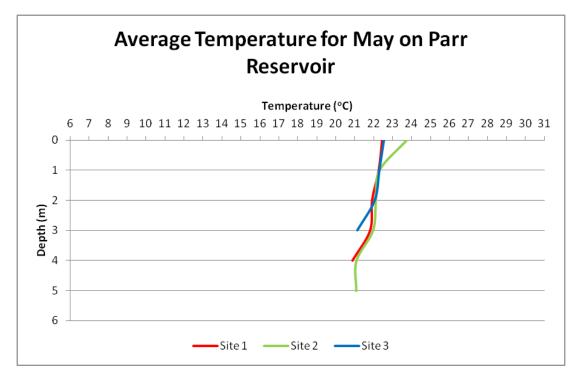


FIGURE 3-5 AVERAGE TEMPERATURE FOR MAY ON PARR RESERVOIR

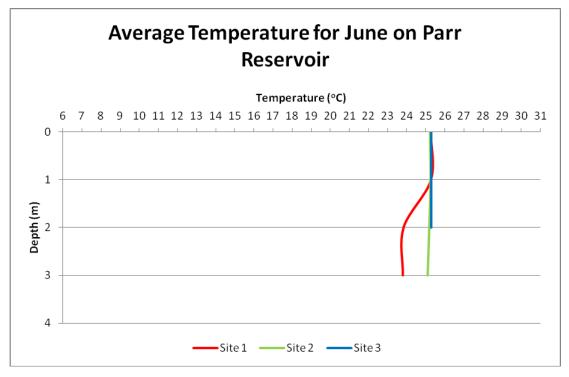


FIGURE 3-6 AVERAGE TEMPERATURE FOR JUNE ON PARR RESERVOIR

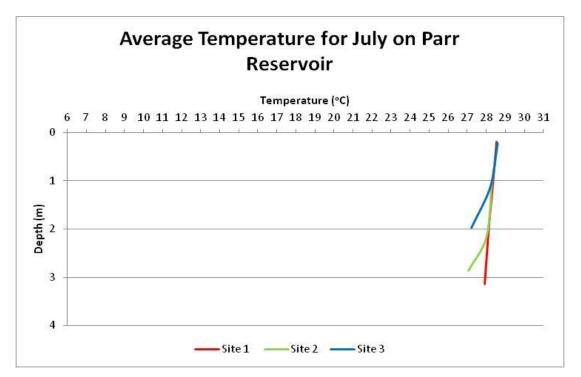


FIGURE 3-7 AVERAGE TEMPERATURE FOR JULY ON PARR RESERVOIR

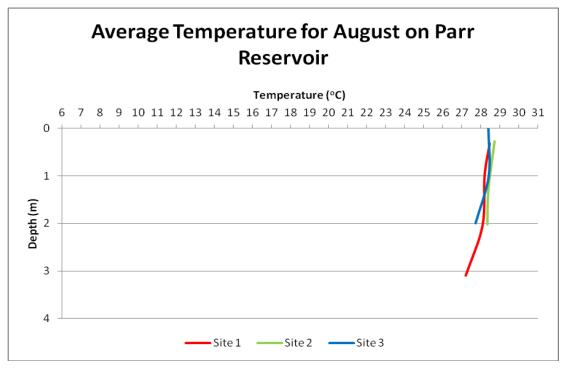


FIGURE 3-8 AVERAGE TEMPERATURE FOR AUGUST ON PARR RESERVOIR

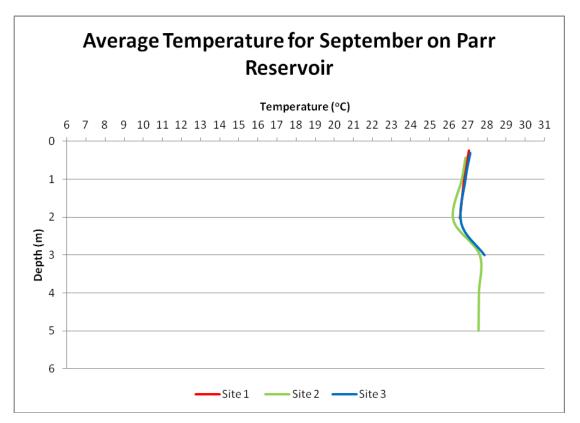


FIGURE 3-9 AVERAGE TEMPERATURE FOR SEPTEMBER ON PARR RESERVOIR

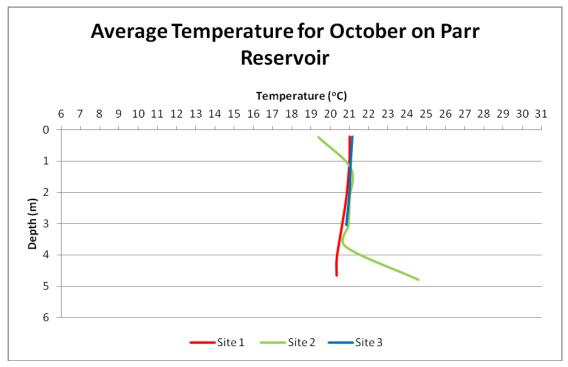


FIGURE 3-10 AVERAGE TEMPERATURE FOR OCTOBER ON PARR RESERVOIR

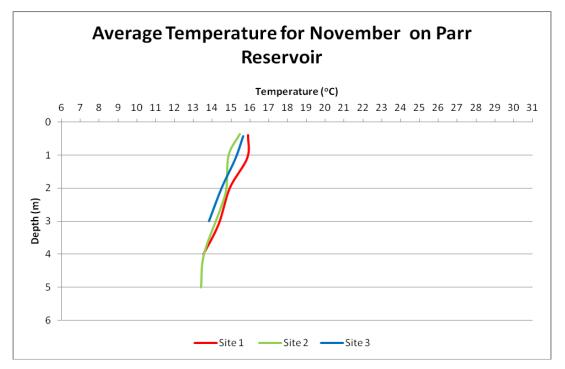


FIGURE 3-11 AVERAGE TEMPERATURE FOR NOVEMBER ON PARR RESERVOIR

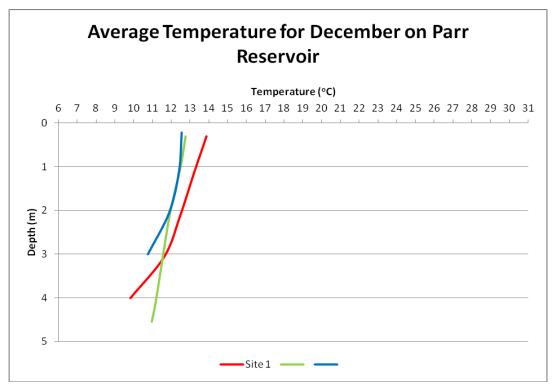


FIGURE 3-12 AVERAGE TEMPERATURE FOR DECEMBER ON PARR RESERVOIR

#### 3.1.1.2 DISSOLVED OXYGEN

Dissolved oxygen values depicted in the graphs below are an average of monthly readings collected by SCE&G personnel, beginning in January of 2011 to December of 2013. Site 1 refers to the monitoring site located approximately 500 yards upstream of the proposed discharge site for the new nuclear units 2 and 3. Site 2 refers to the monitoring site located at the proposed discharge site for the new nuclear units 2 and 3. Site 3 is the monitoring site located approximately 300 yards downstream of the proposed discharge site.

General trends for the Parr Reservoir include a decrease in dissolved oxygen values during the summer months when water temperatures are higher. Dissolved oxygen values also decrease with an increased depth in the reservoir, where there is less possibility of oxygen to be dissolved in the water due to natural occurrences. Since 2011, dissolved oxygen in the Parr Reservoir has rarely dropped below 5.0 mg/L.

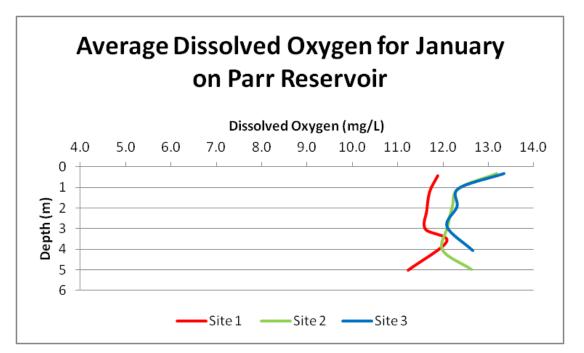


FIGURE 3-13 AVERAGE DISSOLVED OXYGEN FOR JANUARY ON PARR RESERVOIR

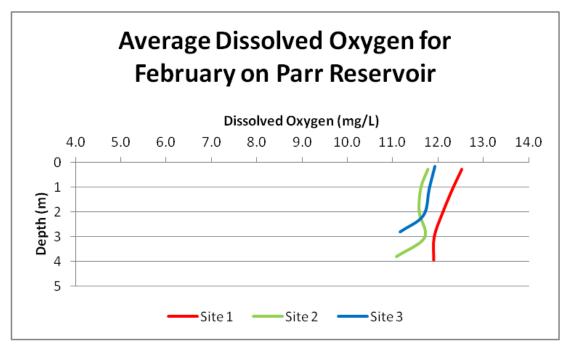


FIGURE 3-14 AVERAGE DISSOLVED OXYGEN FOR FEBRUARY ON PARR RESERVOIR

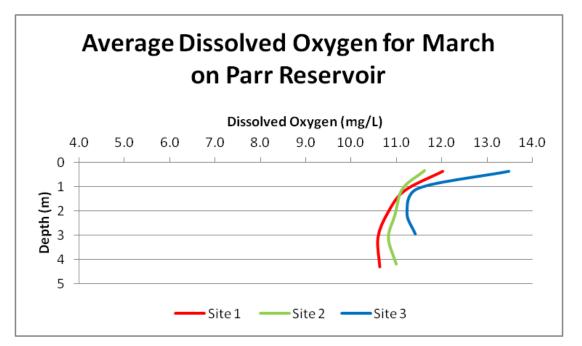


FIGURE 3-15 AVERAGE DISSOLVED OXYGEN FOR MARCH ON PARR RESERVOIR

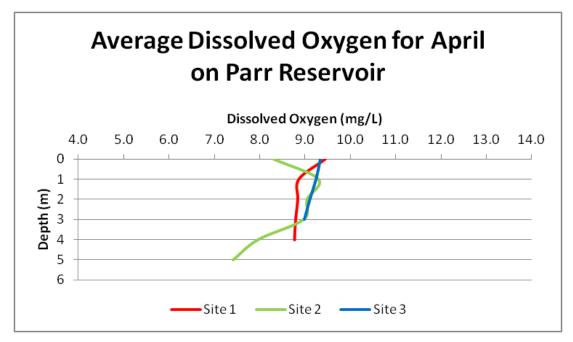


FIGURE 3-16 AVERAGE DISSOLVED OXYGEN FOR APRIL ON PARR RESERVOIR

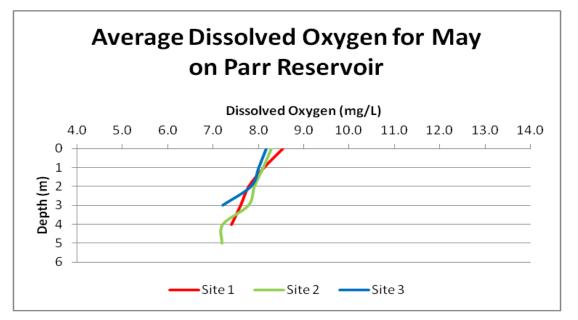


FIGURE 3-17 AVERAGE DISSOLVED OXYGEN FOR MAY ON PARR RESERVOIR

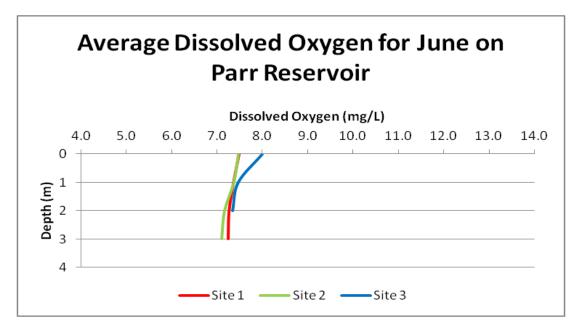


FIGURE 3-18 AVERAGE DISSOLVED OXYGEN FOR JUNE ON PARR RESERVOIR

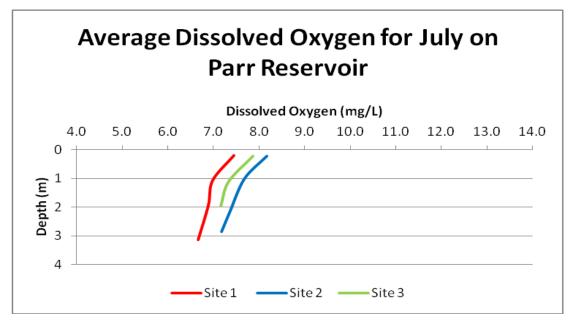


FIGURE 3-19 AVERAGE DISSOLVED OXYGEN FOR JULY ON PARR RESERVOIR

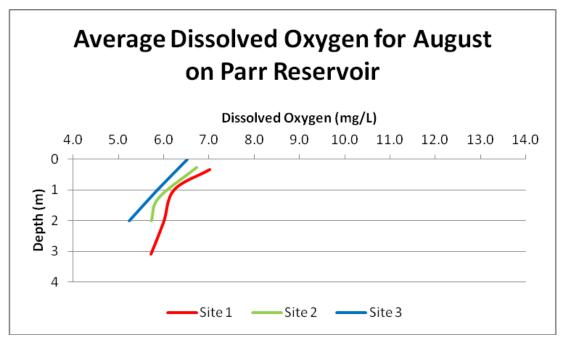


FIGURE 3-20 AVERAGE DISSOLVED OXYGEN FOR AUGUST ON PARR RESERVOIR

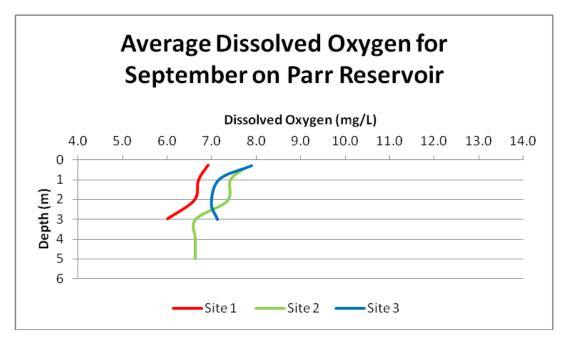


FIGURE 3-21 AVERAGE DISSOLVED OXYGEN FOR SEPTEMBER ON PARR RESERVOIR

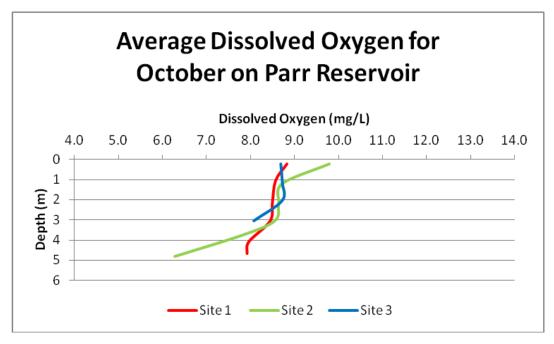


FIGURE 3-22 AVERAGE DISSOLVED OXYGEN FOR OCTOBER ON PARR RESERVOIR

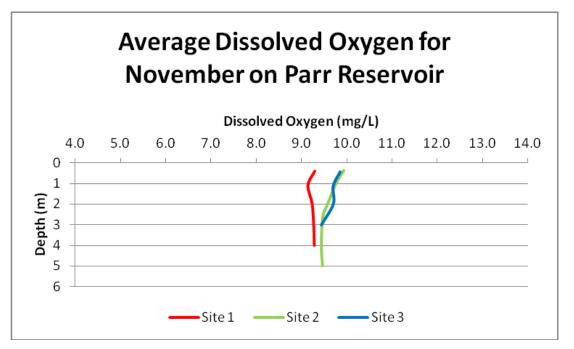


FIGURE 3-23 AVERAGE DISSOLVED OXYGEN FOR NOVEMBER ON PARR RESERVOIR

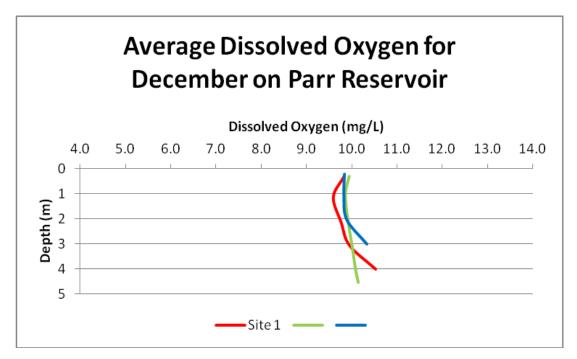


FIGURE 3-24 AVERAGE DISSOLVED OXYGEN FOR DECEMBER ON PARR RESERVOIR

# 3.1.1.3 SPECIFIC CONDUCTIVITY

Specific conductivity values depicted in the graphs below are an average of monthly readings collected by SCE&G personnel, beginning in January of 2011 to December of 2013. Site 1 refers to the monitoring site located approximately 500 yards upstream of the proposed discharge site for the new nuclear units 2 and 3. Site 2 refers to the monitoring site located at the proposed discharge site for the new nuclear units 2 and 3. Site 3 is the monitoring site located approximately 300 yards downstream of the proposed discharge site.

Conductivity readings for the three monitoring locations in the Parr Reservoir are fairly consistent throughout the year, staying mostly in the 80-90  $\mu$ S/cm range, with the full range spanning from 65-122  $\mu$ S/cm.

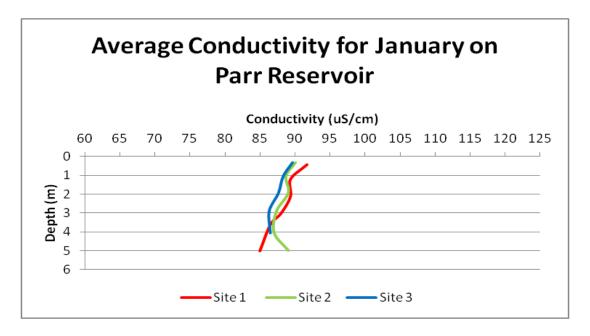


FIGURE 3-25 AVERAGE CONDUCTIVITY FOR JANUARY ON PARR RESERVOIR

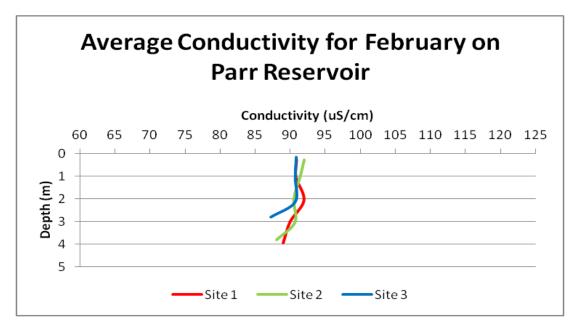


FIGURE 3-26 AVERAGE CONDUCTIVITY FOR FEBRUARY ON PARR RESERVOIR

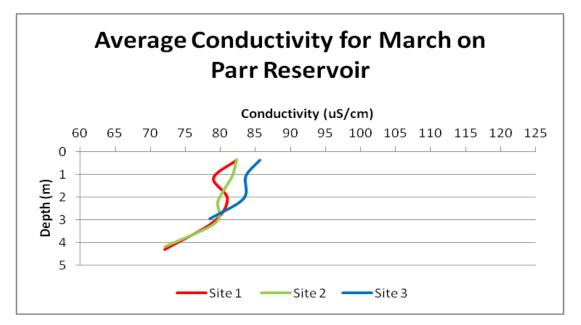


FIGURE 3-27 AVERAGE CONDUCTIVITY FOR MARCH ON PARR RESERVOIR

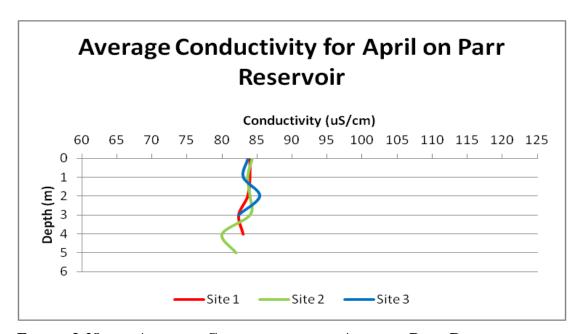


FIGURE 3-28 AVERAGE CONDUCTIVITY FOR APRIL ON PARR RESERVOIR

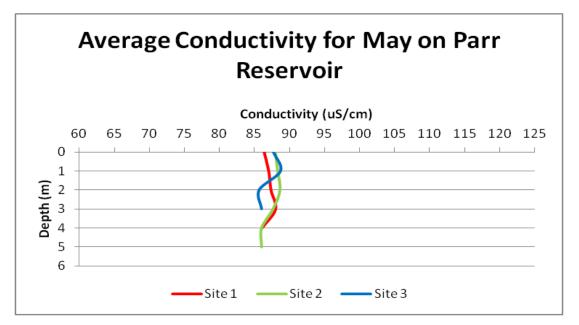


FIGURE 3-29 AVERAGE CONDUCTIVITY FOR MAY ON PARR RESERVOIR

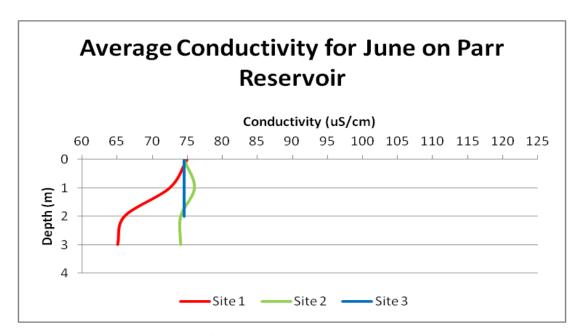


FIGURE 3-30 AVERAGE CONDUCTIVITY FOR JUNE ON PARR RESERVOIR

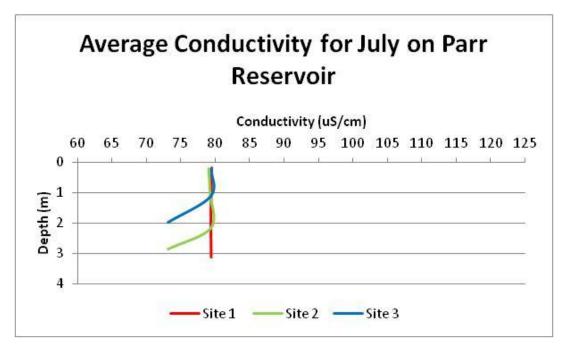


FIGURE 3-31 AVERAGE CONDUCTIVITY FOR JULY ON PARR RESERVOIR

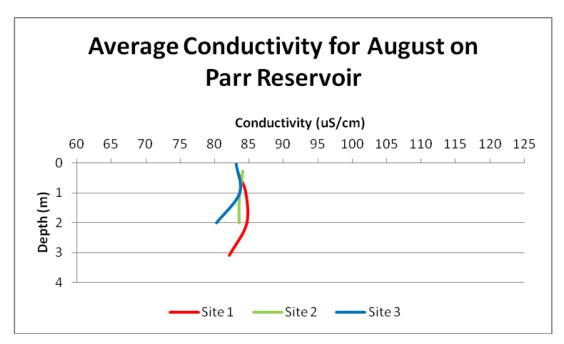


FIGURE 3-32 AVERAGE CONDUCTIVITY FOR AUGUST ON PARR RESERVOIR

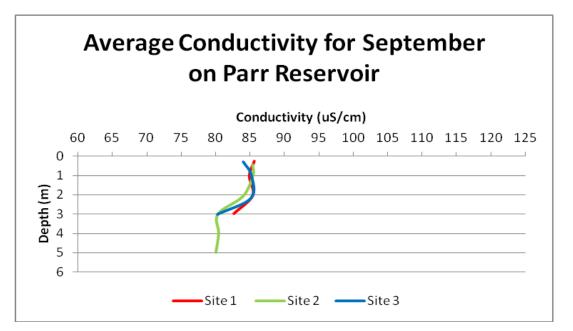


FIGURE 3-33 AVERAGE CONDUCTIVITY FOR SEPTEMBER ON PARR RESERVOIR

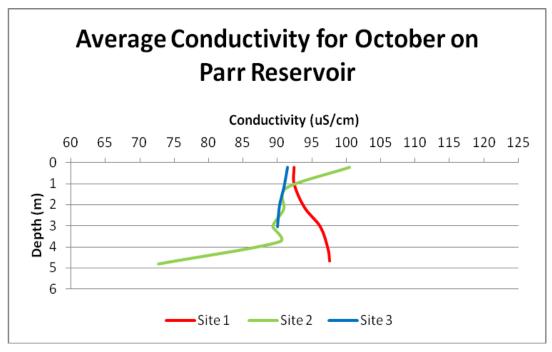


FIGURE 3-34 AVERAGE CONDUCTIVITY FOR OCTOBER ON PARR RESERVOIR

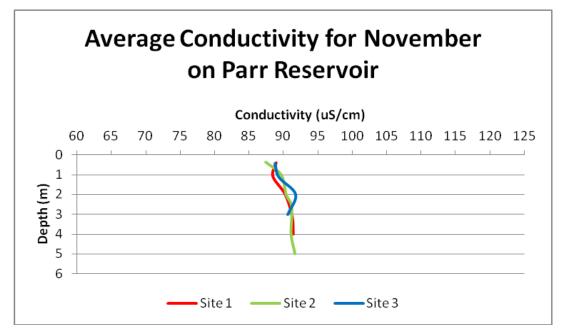


FIGURE 3-35 AVERAGE CONDUCTIVITY FOR NOVEMBER ON PARR RESERVOIR

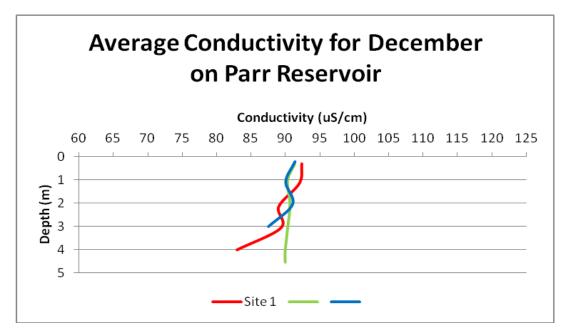


FIGURE 3-36 AVERAGE CONDUCTIVITY FOR DECEMBER ON PARR RESERVOIR

## 3.1.1.4 PH

pH values depicted in the graphs below are an average of monthly readings collected by SCE&G personnel, beginning in January of 2011 to December of 2013. Site 1 refers to the monitoring site located approximately 500 yards upstream of the proposed discharge site for the new nuclear units 2 and 3. Site 2 refers to the monitoring site located at the proposed discharge site for the new nuclear units 2 and 3. Site 3 is the monitoring site located approximately 300 yards downstream of the proposed discharge site.

Average pH values for the Parr Reservoir hover around 7.0, but range from 6.0 to 8.5 over the course of the year, and at various depths in the reservoir. Generally, pH decreases as the depth of the reservoir increases.

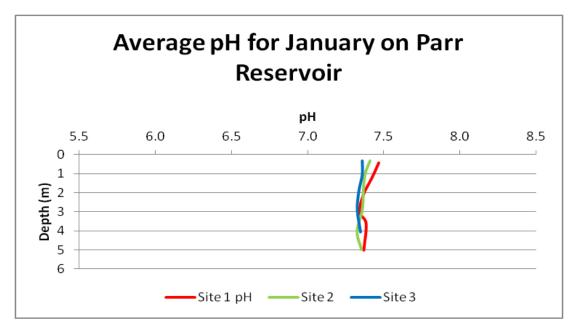


FIGURE 3-37 AVERAGE PH FOR JANUARY ON PARR RESERVOIR

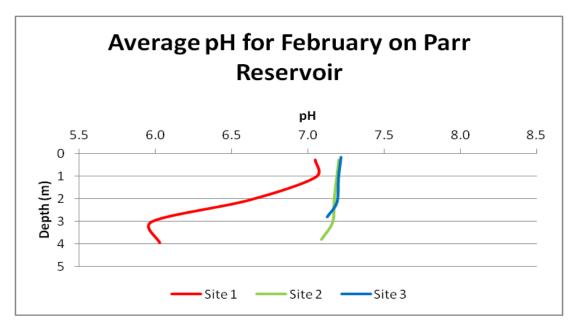


FIGURE 3-38 AVERAGE PH FOR FEBRUARY ON PARR RESERVOIR

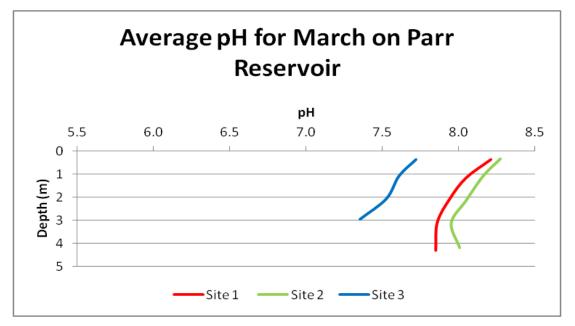


FIGURE 3-39 AVERAGE PH FOR MARCH ON PARR RESERVOIR

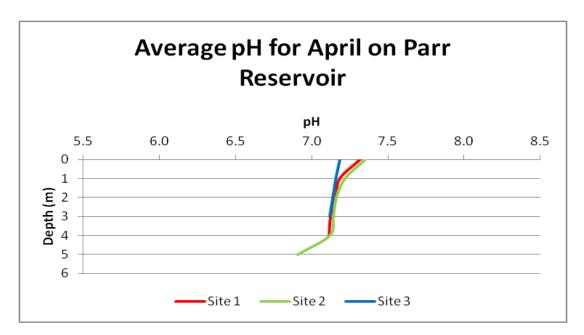


FIGURE 3-40 AVERAGE PH FOR APRIL ON PARR RESERVOIR

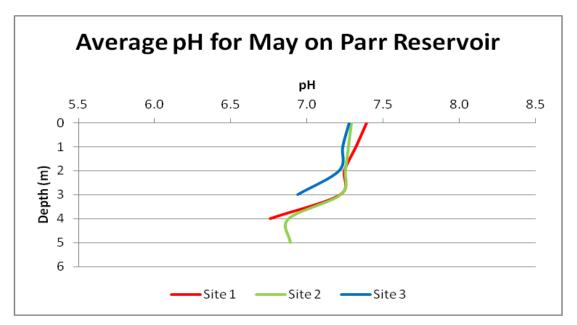


FIGURE 3-41 AVERAGE PH FOR MAY ON PARR RESERVOIR

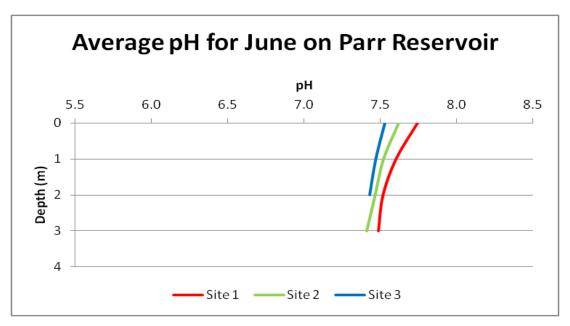


FIGURE 3-42 AVERAGE PH FOR JUNE ON PARR RESERVOIR

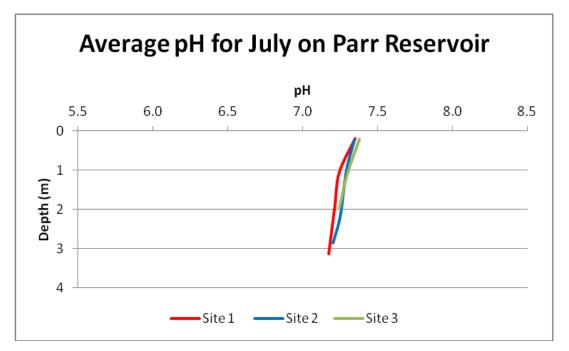


FIGURE 3-43 AVERAGE PH FOR JULY ON PARR RESERVOIR

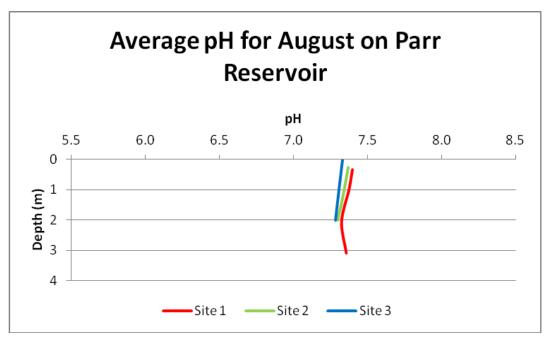


FIGURE 3-44 AVERAGE PH FOR AUGUST ON PARR RESERVOIR

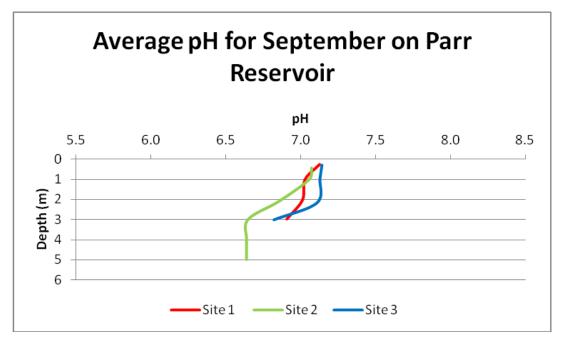


FIGURE 3-45 AVERAGE PH FOR SEPTEMBER ON PARR RESERVOIR

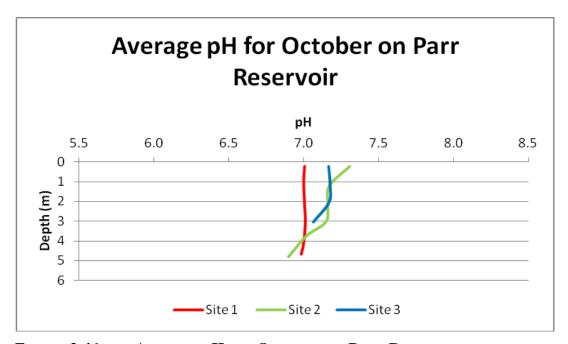


FIGURE 3-46 AVERAGE PH FOR OCTOBER ON PARR RESERVOIR

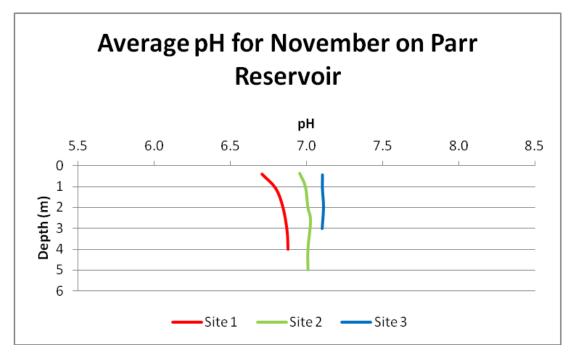


FIGURE 3-47 AVERAGE PH FOR NOVEMBER ON PARR RESERVOIR

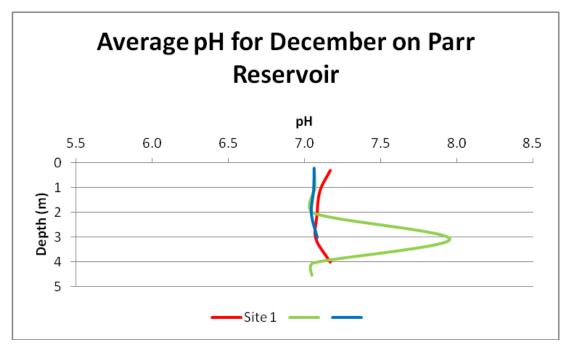


FIGURE 3-48 AVERAGE PH FOR DECEMBER ON PARR RESERVOIR

# **3.1.1.5** SUMMARY

Vertical profile data was collected on a monthly basis at three sites in Parr Reservoir, beginning in January 2011. Table 3-1 displays the maximum, minimum and mean temperature, DO,

conductivity, and pH values on Parr Reservoir for each collection year at each collection location. The data summarized below were collected at a depth of 2 meters.

TABLE 3-1 SUMMARY TABLE FOR PARR RESERVOIR

Parr Res	ervoir		SIT	E 1			SIT	E 2			SIT	TE 3	
		Temp	SpCond	DO Conc	рН	Temp	SpCond	DO Conc	рН	Temp	SpCond	DO Conc	рН
		С	uS/cm	mg/L		С	uS/cm	mg/L		С	uS/cm	mg/L	
2011	MAX	29.94	117	13.46	8.12	29.84	109	14.43	8.46	30.02	107	14.42	8.16
	MIN	8.56	74	5.11	6.85	8.76	73	5.46	7.08	8.58	72	5.30	7.15
	AVG	20.05	90	8.84	7.41	20.03	89	8.84	7.42	20.03	89	8.86	7.40
2012	MAX	28.82	96	12.24	7.75	28.56	97	12.32	7.71	28.66	98	12.63	7.70
	MIN	10.73	81	6.73	6.28	10.72	84	7.98	6.57	10.44	78	7.30	6.78
	AVG	18.38	91	9.30	7.23	18.43	91	9.69	7.23	18.34	90	9.70	7.24
2013	MAX	27.55	90	11.96	8.05	27.60	92	11.90	7.97	27.90	93	11.92	7.41
	MIN	9.62	56	6.23	5.85	8.62	57	5.02	6.59	8.32	57	5.18	6.72
	AVG	18.65	77	8.48	7.04	18.38	78	8.49	7.14	18.27	79	8.67	7.04

# 3.1.2 SCE&G METALS DATA

Parr Reservoir was analyzed for a variety of parameters, including metals, in 2007 and 2008 as part of the VCSNS expansion. Data were collected in the vicinity of the cooling tower blowdown discharge site on Parr Reservoir. The results of these analyses are shown below (Table 3-2).

TABLE 3-2 WATER QUALITY DATA AT NEW DISCHARGE SITE ON PARR RESERVOIR

		New Discharge Parr	New Discharge Parr	New Discharge Parr	New Discharge Parr	New Discharge Parr	New Discharge Parr	New Discharge Parr				
Sample Date		6/26/2007	7/26/2007	8/28/2007	9/13/2007	10/31/2007	11/19/2007	12/11/2007	1/28/2008	2/21/2008	3/6/2008	4/24/2008
Analysis	MDL /Units	Results	Results	Results	Results	Results	Results	Results	Results	Results	Results	Results
Phosphorus	0.050 mg/l	0.106	0.059	0.062		0.081	0.081			0.07	0.06	0.09
Arsenic	5.0 PPB	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Barium	10.0 PPB	23	21	21	22	16	0	16.5	14	16	26	22
Cadmium	1.0 PPB	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Calcium	100.0 PPB	4798	4089	3286	3564	3728	5059	4503	4478	4557	5575	5621
Chromium	10.0 PPB	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Copper	10.0 PPB	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Iron	10.0 PPB	1017	568	485	669	203	485	357	341	329	2002	922
Lead	5.0 PPB	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Magnesium	100.0 PPB	1998	2129	2092	2157	2230	466	2180	2139	2014	2138	2255
mercury (liquid)	0.4 PPB	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Potassium	100.0 PPB	2171	2328	2500	2466	2337	2862	2520	2427	2133	2189	2109
Selenium	5.0 PPB	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Silver	10.0 PPB	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Sodium	1000.0 PPB	11780	12820	13600	16600	15620	21870	17090	14610	13170	9713	10900
Total Hardness (calc)	0.0 mg/l	20	19	17	18	19	15	20	20	20	23	23
Chlorides	0.5 mg/l	8.5	8.9	10.7	12.3	11.4	17.2	11.7	10.9	10.4	7.4	8.2
Conductivity	0.05 umhos	100.7	106.6	105.9	116.5	101.3	144.2	135.8	126.2	112.6	126.7	93.1
Nitrate-N	0.11 mg/l as N	0.4	0.24	0.14	0.21	0.28	0.4	0.36	0.43	0.45	0.36	0.32
Othrophosphate	0.010 mg/l	0.69	0.023	0.023	0.038	0.03	0.097	0.027	0.05	0.05	0.098	0.04
pH	0.0 S.U.	6.49		7.23	7.15							
Sulfates	0.5 mg/l	3.69	4.6	7.9	5.9	3.9	8.2	6.1	9	8.9	8.4	6.8
Total Alkalinity	1.0 mg/l	31.5	28.9	36.4	28.33	23.58	41.3	38.03	45.6	31.2	40.1	27.3
Total Dissolved Solid	2.0 mg/l	77	84	70	76	67	99	82	66	79	89	66
Total Suspended Solid	1.0 mg/l	9	8	8	10	3	4	2.5	0	3	12	11
Turbidity	0.05 NTU	22.2	10.5	8.88	13.1	4.02	7.62	5.32	4.02	4.89	35.1	11.7
Fecal Coliform	1.0 #/100ml	37	37	3	16	9	0			2	623	0
Total Coliform	Present/Absent	Present	Present	Present	Present	Present	Present	Present	Present	Present	Present	Present
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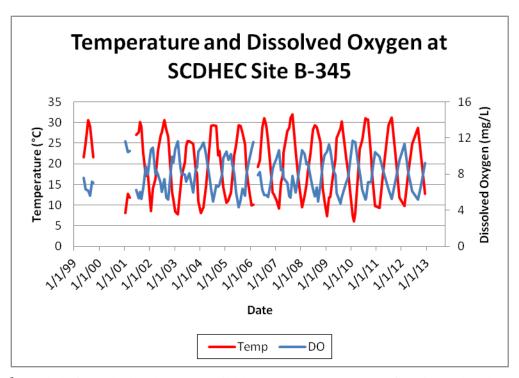
### 3.1.3 SCDHEC DATA

### 3.1.3.1 Monitoring Station B-345

While samples collected from SCDHEC monitoring station B-345, in the forebay behind the dam, have been outside the allowed limits for the parameters discussed below in the past, this site is currently without impairment and is not listed on the South Carolina 303(d) List of Impaired Waters (303(d) list).

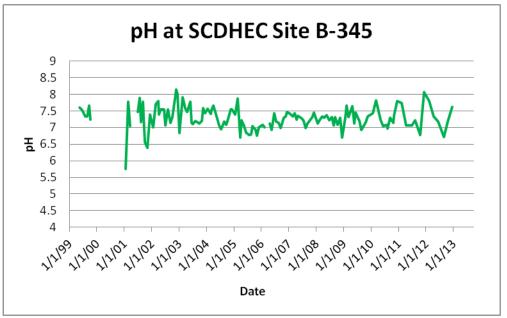
# Temperature, DO, pH, and Turbidity

The following data were collected from 1999 through 2013 at the SCDHEC monitoring station B-345, located in the Parr Reservoir. See Table 2-1 for the SCDHEC water quality standards for temperature, DO, pH, and turbidity.



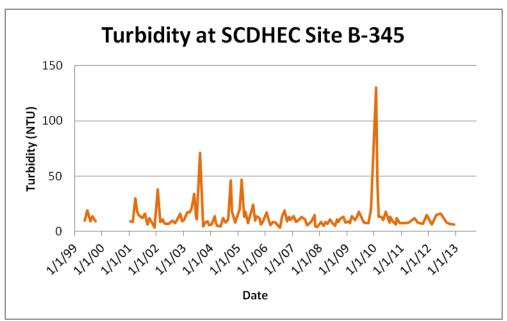
<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>a</sup> Graph depicts only data that were available on STORET. Any gaps reflect times when data were not collected, or not available.

FIGURE 3-49 WATER TEMPERATURE AND DISSOLVED OXYGEN AT SCDHEC MONITORING STATION B-345<sup>a</sup>



<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>a</sup> Graph depicts only data that were available on STORET. Any gaps reflect times when data were not collected, or not available.

FIGURE 3-50 PH AT SCDHEC MONITORING STATION B-345<sup>a</sup>



<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>a</sup> Graph depicts only data that were available on STORET. Any gaps reflect times when data were not collected, or not available.

FIGURE 3-51 TURBIDITY AT SCDHEC MONITORING STATION B-345<sup>a</sup>

# Metals

Water samples from monitoring station B-345 were collected on a quarterly basis from 1999 until 2013 and analyzed for metals (Table 3-3). As shown in Table 3-3, the SCDHEC core indicator metals (Table 2-3) have been consistently measured as Present Below Quantification Limit (PBQL) at site B-345, indicating the reservoir supports aquatic life use.

TABLE 3-3 METALS PRESENT AT SCDHEC MONITORING STATION B-345<sup>A</sup>

DATE	Cadmium (mg/L)	Chromium (mg/L)	Copper (mg/L)	Iron (mg/L)	Lead (mg/L)	Magnesium (mg/L)	Manganese (mg/L)	Mercury (mg/L)	Nickel (mg/L)	Zinc (mg/L)
8/26/99	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL	0.92	PBQL	-	0.05	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL
2/21/01	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL	0.56	PBQL	=	0.02	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL
5/7/01	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL	0.61	PBQL	-	0.06	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL
8/16/01	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL	0.044	PBQL	=	0.07	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL
11/6/01	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL	0.45	PBQL	=	0.037	PBQL	PBQL	0.041
2/21/02	PBQL	PBQL	0.015	0.4	PBQL	1.9	0.03	PBQL	PBQL	0.048
5/6/02	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL	0.74	PBQL	-	0.053	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL
8/8/02	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL	0.58	PBQL	-	0.07	PBQL	PBQL	0.082
11/21/02	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL	1	PBQL	-	0.034	PBQL	PBQL	0.026
2/19/03	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL	1.4	PBQL	1.8	0.041	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL
5/28/03	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL	2.1	PBQL	-	0.058	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL
8/7/03	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL	2.8	PBQL	-	0.055	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL
11/20/03	PBQL	PBQL	0.035	0.25	PBQL	-	0.018	PBQL	PBQL	0.017
2/25/04	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL	0.88	PBQL	1.6	0.032	PBQL	PBQL	0.048
5/13/04	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL	0.22	PBQL	=	0.027	PBQL	PBQL	0.011
8/26/04	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL	0.4	PBQL	=	0.04	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL
11/22/04	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL	0.47	PBQL	-	0.02	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL
2/23/05	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL	1.8	PBQL	1.5	0.051	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL
5/18/05	PBQL	0.025	PBQL	0.55	PBQL	-	0.046	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL
8/18/05	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL	0.45	PBQL	=	0.046	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL
11/2/05	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL	0.33	PBQL	-	0.026	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL
2/16/06	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL	0.56	PBQL	1.6	0.024	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL
5/18/06	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL	0.44	PBQL	Ē	0.039	PBQL	PBQL	0.013
8/17/06	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL	0.57	PBQL	=	0.043	PBQL	PBQL	0.016
11/20/06	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL	1	PBQL	-	0.038	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL
2/20/07	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL	0.54	PBQL	1.6	0.019	PBQL	PBQL	0.018
5/2/07	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL	0.3	PBQL	1.6	0.053	PBQL	PBQL	0.031
8/13/07	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL	0.28	PBQL	1.6	0.062	PBQL	PBQL	0.036
11/8/07	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL	0.12	PBQL	1.3	0.02	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL
2/28/08	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL	0.37	PBQL	1.7	0.014	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL
5/22/08	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL	0.66	PBQL	-	0.049	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL
8/19/08	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL	0.4	PBQL	1.8	0.055	PBQL	PBQL	0.017
11/18/08	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL	0.65	PBQL	1.7	0.042	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL
2/12/09	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL	0.46	-	1.8	0.032	PBQL	PBQL	0.018
5/20/09	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL	0.47	-	1.9	0.056	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL
8/20/09	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL	0.27	-	1.9	0.071	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL
11/19/09	0.0002	PBQL	PBQL	0.99	-	1.5	0.033	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL
1/28/10	0.00027	0.0052	PBQL	3.8	-	-	0.12	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL
5/6/10	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL	0.41	÷	-	0.055	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL
7/29/10	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL	0.32	÷	-	0.043	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL
11/4/10	0.00058	PBQL	PBQL	0.55	=	1.5	0.02	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL
2/16/11	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL	0.31	=	-	0.015	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL
6/29/11	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL	0.32	=	=	0.058	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL
8/11/11	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL	0.27	-	-	0.052	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL
12/5/11	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL	0.73	-	1.5	0.021	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL
2/16/12	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL	0.33	-	-	0.019	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL
6/11/12	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL	0.31	÷	-	0.059	PBQL	PBQL	0.01
8/30/12	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL	0.24	÷	-	0.048	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL
12/13/12	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL	0.2	-	-	0.022	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>A</sup>PBQL is Present Below Quantification Limit.

# Nutrients

The nutrients data collected at SCDHEC monitoring station B-345 are presented in the table below. See Table 2-2 for SCDHEC standards for nutrients.

TABLE 3-4 NUTRIENTS AND CHLOROPHYLL A AT SCDHEC MONITORING STATION B-  $345^{A}$ 

		Total Phosphorus (mg/L)	Chlorophyll a (ug/L)	Date		Total Phosphorus (mg/L)	Chlorophyll a (ug/L
5/20/99	0.78	0.062	-	1/17/07	0.58	PBQL	-
6/17/99	0.53	0.058	-	2/20/07	0.56	PBQL	-
7/29/99	0.7	0.043	-	5/2/07	-	-	1.42
8/26/99	0.58	0.031	-	6/21/07	0.52	0.045	3.9
9/23/99	0.74	0.039	-	7/19/07	0.65	0.039	3.33
10/5/99	PBQL	0.039	-	8/13/07	PBQL	0.057	4.24
2/21/01	1.15	0.038	-	9/10/07	-	-	4.95
4/17/01	0.66	0.063	-	10/25/07	-	-	2.24
5/7/01	-	-	3.66	11/8/07	0.48	0.049	-
6/26/01	0.41	0.031	-	1/24/08	0.66	0.031	-
7/30/01	-	-	3.05	1/24/08	0.66	0.024	-
8/16/01	0.63	0.046	3.82	2/28/08	0.52	0.039	-
10/4/01	0.42	0.053	1.99	2/28/08	0.52	0.03	-
12/6/01	0.45	0.032	=	3/25/08	0.73	0.028	-
1/24/02	PBQL	0.026	-	3/25/08	0.73	0.028	-
2/21/02	0.45	0.029	-	4/17/08	0.62	PBQL	-
3/27/02	0.51	0.027	-	4/17/08	0.62	0.02	-
5/6/02	0.49	0.031	2.06	5/22/08	PBQL	0.035	-
6/13/02	0.4	0.039	-	5/22/08	PBQL	0.089	-
7/1/02	0.41	0.039	4.45	6/26/08	0.34	0.028	4.72
8/8/02	-	-	8.42	6/26/08	0.34	PBQL	-
9/5/02	0.38	0.036	7.26	7/29/08	0.25	0.06	-
10/2/02	-	-	4.19	7/29/08	0.25	0.046	6.28
11/21/02	0.68	0.032	=	8/19/08	0.202	0.048	6.18
12/12/02	0.64	0.036	-	9/11/08	0.26	0.057	6.5
1/6/03	0.64	0.039	-	9/11/08	0.26	0.032	=
3/27/03	0.54	0.037	-	10/14/08	0.46	0.029	2.51
5/28/03	0.88	0.027	-	10/14/08	0.46	0.04	-
7/2/03	0.49	PBQL	-	11/18/08	PBQL	0.025	-
9/25/03	0.73	0.022	1.74	11/18/08	PBQL	0.047	=
10/30/03	=	-	0.76	12/9/08	1.26	0.071	-
11/20/03	0.98	0.031	-	12/9/08	1.26	0.058	-
1/15/04	0.81	PBQL	-	1/22/09	0.49	0.046	-
3/11/04	0.76	0.031	-	2/12/09	0.55	0.047	-
4/1/04	0.73	PBQL	-	3/5/09	0.69	0.023	-
5/13/04	-	-	2.81	4/23/09	PBQL	PBQL	-
6/17/04	0.82	0.028	2.29	5/20/09	0.86	0.032	2.5
7/15/04	0.62	0.042	2.18	6/11/09	0.44	0.026	1.89
8/26/04	0.49	0.024	4.54	7/30/09	0.3	0.039	5.16
9/22/04	0.6	PBQL	-	8/20/09	0.41	0.041	8.88
10/14/04	0.58	0.023	4.75	10/22/09	0.43	0.037	2.27
11/22/04	0.71	0.022	-	11/19/09	0.48	0.047	-
12/7/04	0.57	0.048	=	1/28/10	0.74	0.12	=
1/20/05	0.98	0.038	-	2/11/10	0.66	0.058	-
2/23/05	0.88	0.03	=	3/4/10	0.61	0.045	-
3/24/05	0.9	0.052	=	4/8/10	PBQL	0.029	=
4/14/05	0.7	0.045	-	5/6/10	0.45	0.051	3.28
5/18/05	0.7	0.031	1.87	6/10/10	2.06	0.042	6.04
6/9/05	0.86	0.046	1.07	7/29/10	0.31	0.038	7.5
7/21/05	0.85	0.047	2.26	8/5/10	0.45	0.055	7.99
8/18/05	0.51	0.083	2.54	9/9/10	0.31	0.036	3.23
9/8/05	0.53	0.047	1.94	10/21/10	0.41	0.03	=
10/20/05	0.69	0.044	-	11/4/10	0.88	0.045	-
11/2/05	0.64	0.033	=	12/14/10	0.82	0.043	-
12/1/05	0.72	0.056	-	2/16/11	0.55	0.052	-
1/17/06	0.73	0.05	-	4/14/11	-	0.054	-
2/16/06	0.77	0.035	-	6/29/11	0.26	0.061	=
3/16/06	0.91	0.043	-	8/11/11	0.29	0.043	15.57
	1.04	0.033	-	10/20/11	0.52	0.046	-
4/20/06			2.06	12/5/11	0.69	0.074	-
	PBQL	0.027	2.00				
4/20/06		0.027 0.03	2.5	2/16/12	0.96	0.057	-
4/20/06 5/18/06	PBQL			2/16/12 4/12/12	0.96 0.99	0.057 0.083	-
4/20/06 5/18/06 6/22/06	PBQL 0.57	0.03	2.5				
4/20/06 5/18/06 6/22/06 7/20/06	PBQL 0.57 0.58	0.03 0.037	2.5 3.63	4/12/12	0.99	0.083	-
4/20/06 5/18/06 6/22/06 7/20/06 8/17/06	PBQL 0.57 0.58 0.95	0.03 0.037 0.024	2.5 3.63 3.96	4/12/12 6/11/12	0.99 0.48	0.083 0.035	- 5.2
4/20/06 5/18/06 6/22/06 7/20/06 8/17/06 9/14/06	PBQL 0.57 0.58 0.95 0.53	0.03 0.037 0.024 0.035	2.5 3.63 3.96 3.01	4/12/12 6/11/12 8/30/12	0.99 0.48 0.55	0.083 0.035 0.027	- 5.2 8.59

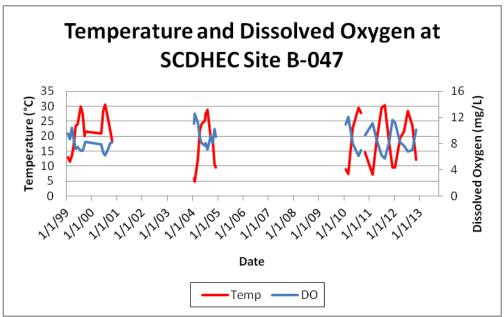
<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>A</sup>PBQL is Present Below Quantification Limit.

# 3.1.3.2 Monitoring Station B-047

Historically, samples collected from SCDHEC monitoring station B-047, Broad River at SC 34, have been outside the allowed limits for some of the parameters discussed below, however this site is currently without impairment and is not listed on the 303(d) list.

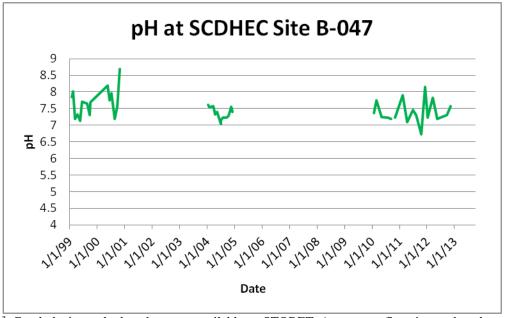
Temperature, DO, pH, and Turbidity

The following data were collected during the years 1999-2000, 2004 and 2010-2012 at the SCDHEC monitoring station B-047, located in the Parr Reservoir. The data collected for temperature, DO, pH, and turbidity reflect expected values, inside normal ranges. See Table 2-1 for the SCDHEC water quality standards for temperature, DO, pH, and turbidity.



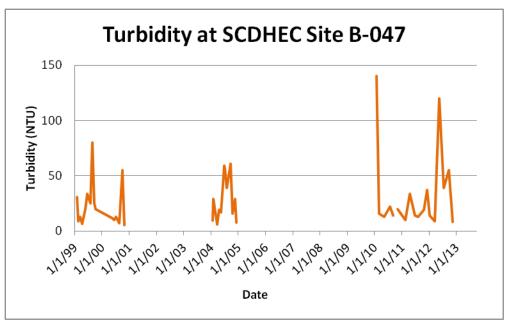
<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>a</sup> Graph depicts only data that were available on STORET. Any gaps reflect times when data were not collected, or not available.

FIGURE 3-52 WATER TEMPERATURE AND DISSOLVED OXYGEN AT SCDHEC MONITORING STATION B-047 a



<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>a</sup> Graph depicts only data that were available on STORET. Any gaps reflect times when data were not collected, or not available.

FIGURE 3-53 PH AT SCDHEC MONITORING STATION B-047 a



<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>a</sup> Graph depicts only data that were available on STORET. Any gaps reflect times when data were not collected, or not available.

FIGURE 3-54 TURBIDITY AT SCDHEC MONITORING STATION B-047<sup>A</sup>

#### Metals

Metals data collected by SCDHEC was available on STORET for monitoring station B-047 only for the years 2004, 2010, 2011, and 2012 (Table 3-5). During these years, water samples were tested on a quarterly basis for the presence of metals. In 2012, iron, magnesium, and manganese were all present at various times and levels. However, the aquatic life use core indicator metals (see Table 2-3) are consistently found to be PBQL.

TABLE 3-5 METALS PRESENT AT SCDHEC MONITORING STATION B-047<sup>A</sup>

DATE	Cadmium (mg/L)	Chromium (mg/L)	Copper (mg/L)	Iron (mg/L)	Lead (mg/L)	Magnesium (mg/L)	Manganese (mg/L)	Mercury (mg/L)	Nickel (mg/L)	Zinc (mg/L)
2/5/04	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL	1.1	PBQL	1.6	0.041	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL
5/11/04	PBQL	0.01	0.012	1.2	PBQL	-	0.092	PBQL	PBQL	0.025
8/2/04	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL	1.4	PBQL	-	0.042	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL
11/16/04	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL	1.5	PBQL	-	0.03	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL
1/28/10	0.00026	PBQL	PBQL	2.3	-	-	0.089	PBQL	PBQL	0.013
5/6/10	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL	0.5	-	-	0.042	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL
7/29/10	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL	1	-	-	0.065	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL
11/4/10	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL	1.1	-	1.4	0.057	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL
2/16/11	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL	0.53	-		0.029	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL
6/29/11	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL	0.53	-		0.06	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL
8/11/11	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL	0.57	-		0.077	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL
12/5/11	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL	1.2	-	1.5	0.054	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL
1/12/12	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL	0.66	-		0.034	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL
5/15/12	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL	4.4	-		0.34	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL
7/17/12	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL	0.96	-		0.13	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL
11/8/12	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL	0.32	-	1.8	0.027	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL

A PBQL is Present Below Quantification Limit.

#### **Nutrients**

Nutrients data was collected at SCDHEC monitoring station B-047 during 2004, 2010, 2011, and 2012 and is included in the table below. Site B-047 is considered by SCDHEC to be located in the Broad River; the nutrient and chlorophyll-a standards only apply to reservoirs and therefore do not apply to this site. There are no nutrient and chlorophyll-a standards established for rivers.

TABLE 3-6 NUTRIENTS AT SCDHEC MONITORING STATION B-047

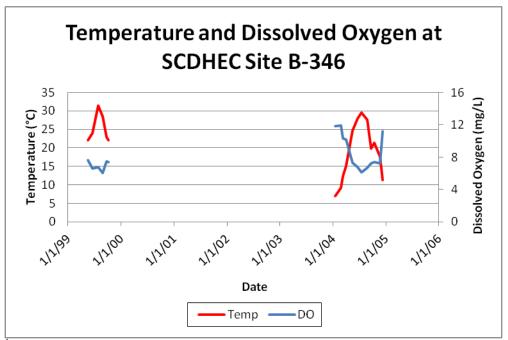
Date	Total Nitrogen (mg/L)	Total Phosphorus (mg/L)
1/20/04	-	0.074
2/5/04	0.94	0.052
3/23/04	-	0.047
4/20/04	0.88	0.12
5/11/04	0.78	0.13
6/30/04	0.94	0.11
7/7/04	0.67	0.11
8/2/04	0.86	0.088
9/21/04	0.45	0.057
10/14/04	0.63	0.055
11/16/04	0.66	0.042
12/6/04	0.7	0.13
1/28/10	0.39	0.046
3/4/10	0.51	0.054
5/6/10	0.57	0.13
7/29/10	0.99	0.15
9/9/10	0.87	0.085
11/4/10	0.69	0.092
2/16/11	0.54	0.076
6/29/11	0.6	0.15
8/11/11	0.69	0.15
10/20/11	1.15	0.11
12/5/11	0.84	0.11
1/12/12	0.7	0.13
3/19/12	0.67	0.088
5/15/12	0.53	0.22
7/17/12	0.65	0.12
9/20/12	0.67	0.17
11/8/12	0.94	0.23

# 3.1.3.3 MONITORING STATION B-346

The SCDHEC monitoring station B-346, Parr Reservoir approximately 3 miles upstream of the dam, is an inactive site where SCDHEC no longer collects water quality data. Currently, this site is listed on the 303(d) list for total phosphorus. See the nutrients section below for more details on the total phosphorus levels at this site.

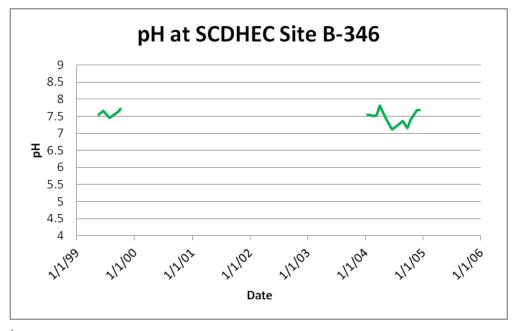
# Temperature, DO, pH, and Turbidity

The following data was collected during the years 1999 and 2004 at the SCDHEC monitoring station B-346 located in the Parr Reservoir. See Table 2-1 for the SCDHEC water quality standards for temperature, DO, pH, and turbidity.



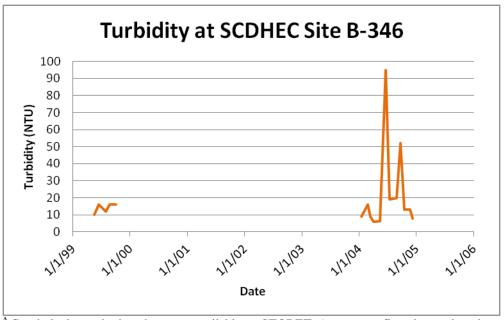
A Graph depicts only data that were available on STORET. Any gaps reflect times when data were not collected, or not available.

FIGURE 3-55 WATER TEMPERATURE AND DISSOLVED OXYGEN AT SCDHEC MONITORING STATION B-346<sup>A</sup>



<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>A</sup> Graph depicts only data that were available on STORET. Any gaps reflect times when data were not collected, or not available.

FIGURE 3-56 PH AT SCDHEC MONITORING STATION B-346<sup>A</sup>



A Graph depicts only data that were available on STORET. Any gaps reflect times when data were not collected, or not available.

FIGURE 3-57 TURBIDITY AT SCDHEC MONITORING STATION B-346<sup>A</sup>

# Metals

Metals data collected by SCDHEC was available on STORET for monitoring station B-346 only for the year 1999 and 2004. The SCDHEC core indicator metals (Table 2-3) were consistently measured as Present Below Quantification Limit (PBQL) at site B-346, indicating the reservoir supports aquatic life use.

TABLE 3-7 METALS AT SCDHEC MONITORING STATION B-346<sup>A</sup>

DATE	Cadmium (mg/L)	Chromium (mg/L)	Copper (mg/L)	Iron (mg/L)	Lead (mg/L)	Magnesium (mg/L)	Manganese (mg/L)	Mercury (mg/L)	Nickel (mg/L)	Zinc (mg/L)
8/26/99	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL	0.84	PBQL	-	0.04	PBQL	PBQL	0.02
2/25/04	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL	1	PBQL	1.7	0.05	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL
5/13/04	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL	0.45	PBQL	-	0.033	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL
8/26/04	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL	1.1	PBQL	-	0.034	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL
11/22/04	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL	0.73	PBQL	-	0.038	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL

A PBQL is Present Below Quantification Limit.

### **Nutrients**

Nutrients data was collected at SCDHEC monitoring station B-346 during 1999 and 2004 and is included in the table below. See Table 2-2 for SCDHEC standards for nutrients. This site is currently listed on the 2012 303(d) list for total phosphorus. However, it should be noted that total phosphorus has not been analyzed at this site since 2004.

TABLE 3-8 NUTRIENTS AND CHLOROPHYLL A AT SCDHEC MONITORING STATION B-  $346^{\rm A}$ 

Date	Total Nitrogen (mg/L)	Total Phosphorus (mg/L)	Chlorophyll a (ug/L)
5/20/99	0.73	-	-
6/17/99	0.7	-	-
7/29/99	1.75	-	-
8/26/99	PBQL	-	-
9/23/99	0.8	-	-
10/5/99	0.74	-	-
1/15/04	0.76	0.051	-
2/25/04	-	0.047	-
3/11/04	0.75	0.036	-
4/1/04	0.54	0.03	-
5/13/04	0.74	0.056	1.47
6/17/04	1.02	0.13	1.54
7/15/04	0.93	0.079	1.41
8/26/04	0.77	0.098	1.24
9/22/04	0.61	0.075	1.01
10/14/04	0.61	0.051	1.29
11/22/04	0.67	0.038	-
12/7/04	0.59	0.037	-

A PBQL is Present Below Quantification Limit.

# 3.1.3.4 Monitoring Station RL-12049

SCDHEC monitoring station RL-12049, Parr Reservoir approximately 1 mile southeast of the mouth of Hellers Creek, is a randomly selected site that was monitored on a monthly basis during 2012. Data collected at this site is summarized below. These data have not yet been evaluated for potential §303(d) listing.

Temperature, DO, pH, and Turbidity

The following data was collected during 2012 at the SCDHEC monitoring station RL-12049 located in the Parr Reservoir. See Table 2-1 for the SCDHEC water quality standards for temperature, DO, pH, and turbidity.

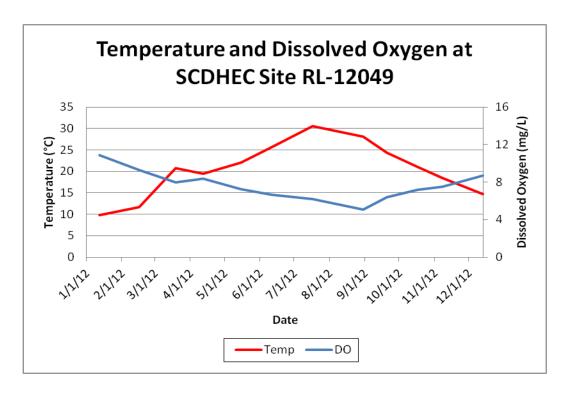
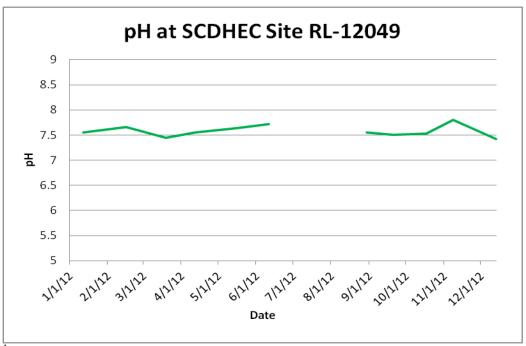


FIGURE 3-58 TEMPERATURE AND DISSOLVED OXYGEN AT SCDHEC MONITORING STATION RL-12049



A Graph depicts only data that were available on STORET. Any gaps reflect times when data were not collected, or not available.

FIGURE 3-59 PH AT SCDHEC MONITORING STATION RL-12049<sup>A</sup>

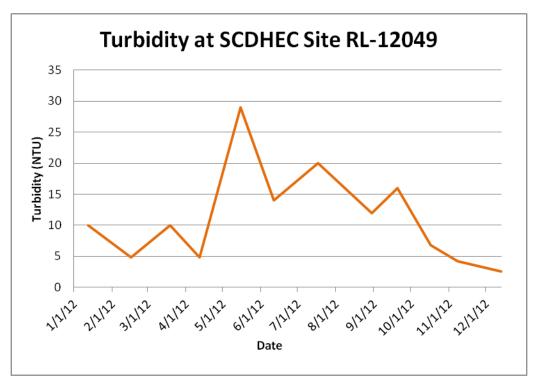


FIGURE 3-60 TURBIDITY AT SCDHEC MONITORING STATION RL-12049

## Metals

The metals data collected in 2012 at SCDHEC monitoring site RL-12049 is presented in the table below. The SCDHEC core indicator metals (Table 2-3) were consistently measured as Present Below Quantification Limit (PBQL) at site RL-12049, indicating the reservoir supports aquatic life use.

TABLE 3-9 METALS AT SCDHEC MONITORING STATION RL-12049<sup>A</sup>

DATE	Cadmium (mg/L)	Chromium (mg/L)	Copper (mg/L)	Iron (mg/L)	Lead (mg/L)	Magnesium (mg/L)	Manganese (mg/L)	Mercury (mg/L)	Nickel (mg/L)	Zinc (mg/L)
1/12/12	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL	0.69	-	-	0.026	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL
5/15/12	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL	1.8	-	-	0.095	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL
7/17/12	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL	0.48	-	-	0.05	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL
11/8/12	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL	0.089	-	1.6	0.045	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL

APBQL is Present Below Quantification Limit.

#### **Nutrients**

Water samples were collected at SCDHEC monitoring site RL-12049 and analyzed for nitrogen, phosphorus and chlorophyll-a. The results of these analyses are included in the table below. See Table 2-2 for SCDHEC standards for nutrients.

TABLE 3-10 NUTRIENTS AND CHLOROPHYLL A AT SCDHEC MONITORING STATION RL-12049<sup>A</sup>

Date	Total Nitrogen (mg/L)	Total Phosphorus (mg/L)	Chlorophyll a (ug/L)
1/12/12	PBQL	0.1	-
2/16/12	0.76	0.038	-
3/19/12	0.87	0.089	-
4/12/12	0.85	0.036	-
5/15/12	0.62	0.12	1.23
6/11/12	0.7	0.078	4.36
7/17/12	0.72	0.1	-
8/30/12	0.61	0.062	3.55
9/20/12	0.76	0.092	1.62
10/17/12	0.52	0.05	-
11/8/12	0.45	0.032	-
12/13/12	0.86	0.04	-

APBQL is Present Below Quantification Limit.

#### 3.1.4 PARR RESERVOIR SEDIMENT INVESTIGATION 2012

The data collected in 2012 will be used to form a baseline for determining what impact, if any the discharge from the operation of the V.C. Summer Nuclear Station Units 2 and 3 will have on various constituents of the sediment in the vicinity of the discharge. Data will continue to be collected at the two transect sites through the construction and operation of these nuclear units.

## 3.1.4.1 SEDIMENT INVESTIGATION RESULTS

Four metals, including antimony, arsenic, lead and nickel, were measured at <10 mg/kg. Antimony (1.7 mg/kg) and arsenic (3.8 mg/kg) were detected at Transect 2 compared to non-detect at Transect 1. Lead and nickel concentrations at Transect 2 ranged from 6.0 times to 6.6 times higher than Transect 1. Reference Figure 2-4

Copper, chromium, zinc and barium results at Transect 2 range in values from 15 mg/kg to 97 mg/kg. In comparison Transect 1 values ranged from 2.1 mg/kg to 24 mg/kg. Copper concentrations at Transect 2 (15 mg/kg) were measured 7 times higher than Transect 1 (2.1 mg/kg) results.

The results at Transect 2 for manganese and calcium ranged between 580 mg/kg to 790 mg/kg. Calcium was measured at 790 mg/kg at Transect 2 compared to non-detect at Transect 1 for this sampling event. Manganese concentrations at Transect 2 (580 mg/kg) were two times higher than those at Transect 1 (290 mg/kg).

Potassium, magnesium, aluminum and iron results ranged from 1,600 mg/kg to 21,000 mg/kg at Transect 2, compared to a range of 500 mg/kg to 5,500 mg/kg at Transect 1. Aluminum concentrations at Transects 2 were 6.5 times higher than those at Transect 1. Potassium, magnesium, and iron concentrations at Transect 2 ranged from 3.2 times to 3.8 times higher than Transect 1.

The phosphorus results were higher at Transect 2 with a value of 350 mg/kg compared to a value of 150 mg/kg at Transect 1.

For the complete 2012 Parr Sediment Investigation Report, please see Appendix A.

## 3.2 Monticello Reservoir

#### 3.2.1 SCE&G VERTICAL PROFILE DATA

#### **3.2.1.1 TEMPERATURE**

Water temperatures depicted in the graphs below are an average of ten years of monthly readings collected from Monticello Reservoir by SCANA personnel, beginning in January of 2003 to December 2012. The data corresponding to the "intake" refers to that collected at the monitoring site located in the channel near the circulating water intake for the VCSNS. The data corresponding to the "discharge" refers to that collected at the monitoring site located just outside the northern end of the circulating water discharge canal for VCSNS. The data corresponding to the "uplake" refers to that collected at the monitoring site located near the northern end of the reservoir.

Water temperatures in Monticello Reservoir at the monitoring site near the intake of the VCSNS and the monitoring site located at the north end of the reservoir follow a general trend of increasing during the summer months and decreasing with depth of the reservoir. Temperatures at these two locations range from around 9°C during winter months up to 30°C during the summer months. Water temperatures near the discharge area of the VCSNS have a slightly different trend, with surface temperatures being consistently around five to seven degrees warmer than the other two monitoring locations. However, as the depth increases, these temperatures quickly drop back to what is normal for the lake, according to monitoring at the intake and uplake monitoring locations. Please see Appendix B for the Thermal Mixing Zone Evaluation and NPDES permit issued to the VCSNS regarding this water quality trend.

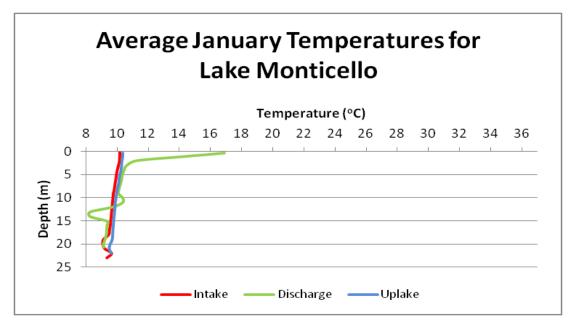


FIGURE 3-61 AVERAGE TEMPERATURE FOR JANUARY ON MONTICELLO RESERVOIR

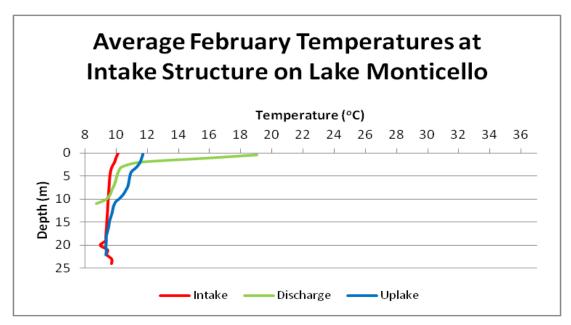


FIGURE 3-62 AVERAGE TEMPERATURE FOR FEBRUARY ON MONTICELLO RESERVOIR

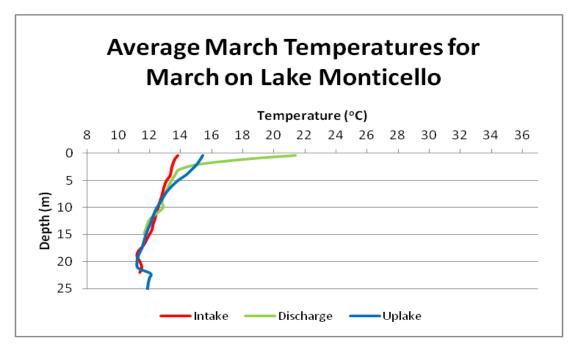


FIGURE 3-63 AVERAGE TEMPERATURE FOR MARCH ON MONTICELLO RESERVOIR

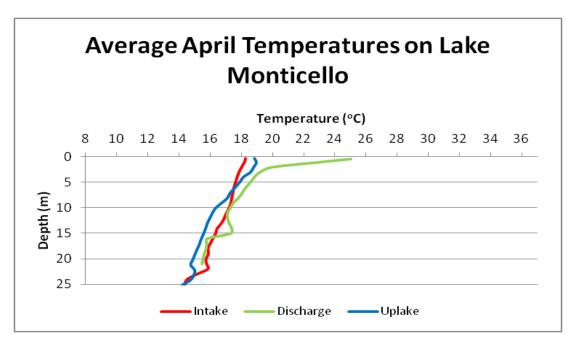


FIGURE 3-64 AVERAGE TEMPERATURE FOR APRIL ON MONTICELLO RESERVOIR

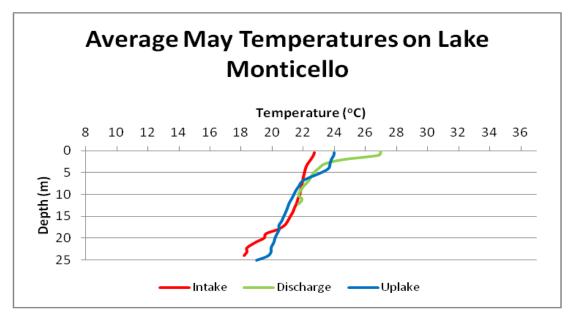


FIGURE 3-65 AVERAGE TEMPERATURE FOR MAY ON MONTICELLO RESERVOIR

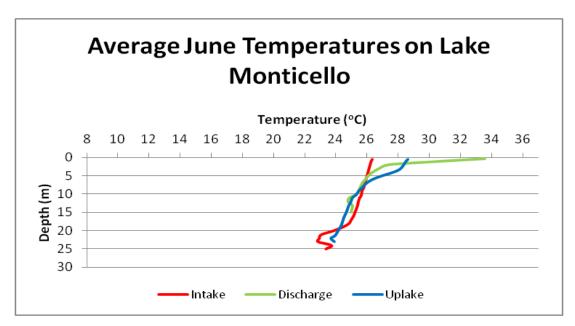


FIGURE 3-66 AVERAGE TEMPERATURE FOR JUNE ON MONTICELLO RESERVOIR

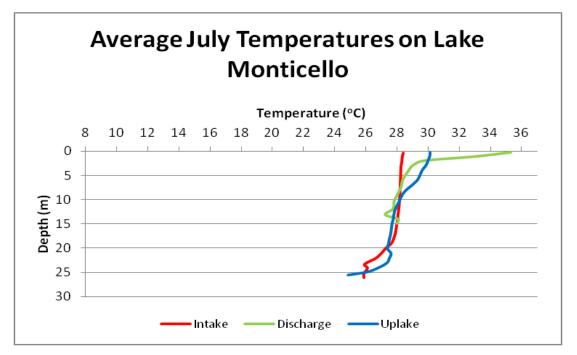


FIGURE 3-67 AVERAGE TEMPERATURE FOR JULY ON MONTICELLO RESERVOIR

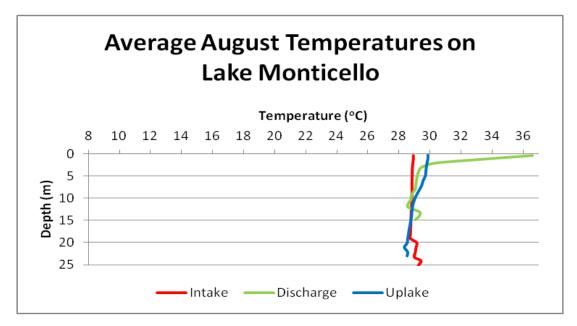


FIGURE 3-68 AVERAGE TEMPERATURE FOR AUGUST ON MONTICELLO RESERVOIR

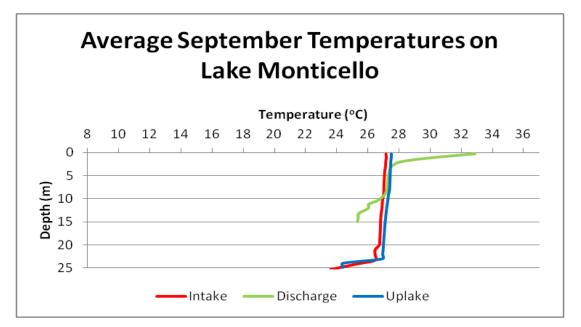


FIGURE 3-69 AVERAGE TEMPERATURE FOR SEPTEMBER ON MONTICELLO RESERVOIR

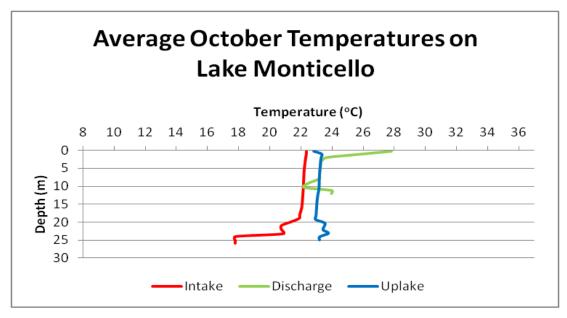


FIGURE 3-70 AVERAGE TEMPERATURE FOR OCTOBER ON MONTICELLO RESERVOIR

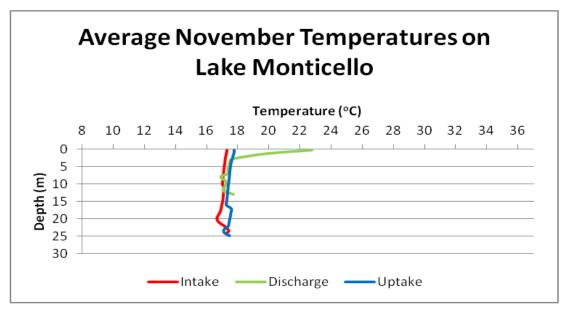


FIGURE 3-71 AVERAGE TEMPERATURE FOR NOVEMBER ON MONTICELLO RESERVOIR

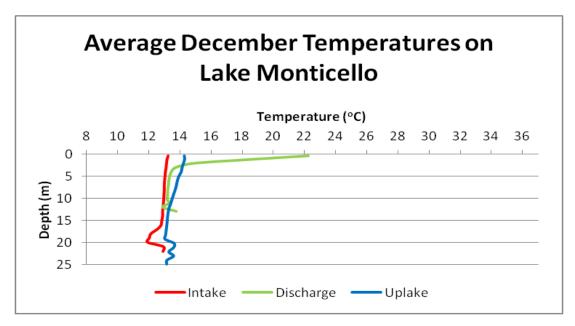


FIGURE 3-72 AVERAGE TEMPERATURE FOR DECEMBER ON MONTICELLO RESERVOIR

#### 3.2.1.2 DISSOLVED OXYGEN

Dissolved oxygen values depicted in the graphs below are an average of ten years of monthly readings collected by SCANA personnel, beginning in January of 2003 to December 2012. The data corresponding to the "intake" refers to that collected at the monitoring site located in the channel near the circulating water intake for the VCSNS. The data corresponding to the "discharge" refers to that collected at the monitoring site located just outside the northern end of the circulating water discharge canal for VCSNS. The data corresponding to the "uplake" refers to that collected at the monitoring site located near the northern end of the reservoir.

The dissolved oxygen values at Monticello Reservoir typically range from 5 mg/L to 8 mg/L in the summer months up to 13 mg/L to 15 mg/L in the winter months, which is to be expected with the fluctuations in water temperatures. Dissolved oxygen levels at the uplake site have dropped to below 5 mg/L at the deepest depths of the reservoir, on several occasions during the summer months. These low DO values can be attributed to the depth of the reservoir, along with the fact that this particular area of the reservoir is far away from any turbulence in the water due to the intake and discharge activities of the VCSNS.

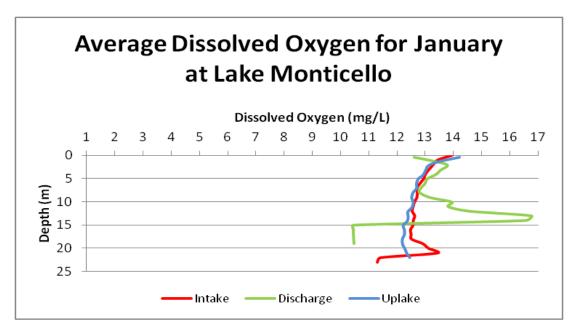


FIGURE 3-73 AVERAGE DISSOLVED OXYGEN FOR JANUARY ON MONTICELLO RESERVOIR

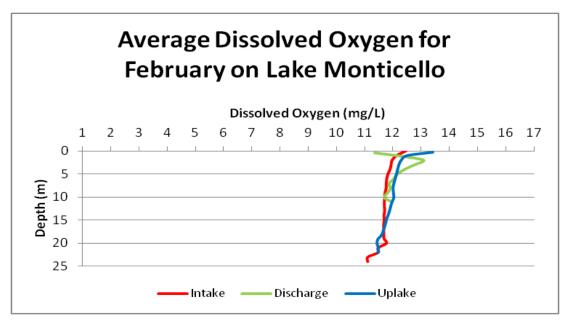


FIGURE 3-74 AVERAGE DISSOLVED OXYGEN FOR FEBRUARY ON MONTICELLO RESERVOIR

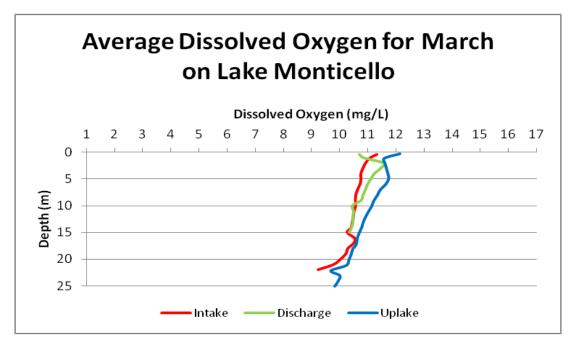


FIGURE 3-75 AVERAGE DISSOLVED OXYGEN FOR MARCH ON MONTICELLO RESERVOIR

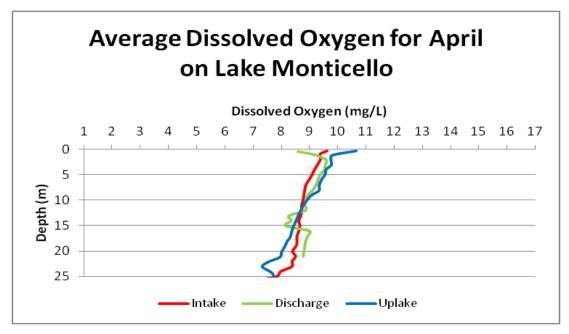


FIGURE 3-76 AVERAGE DISSOLVED OXYGEN FOR APRIL ON MONTICELLO RESERVOIR

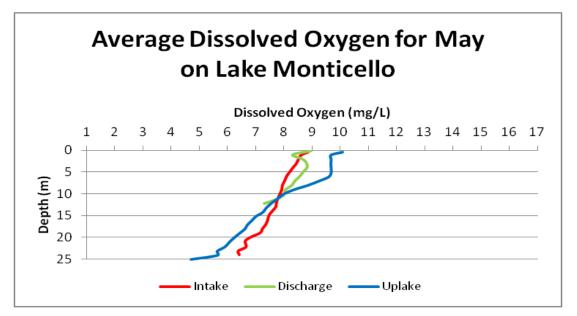


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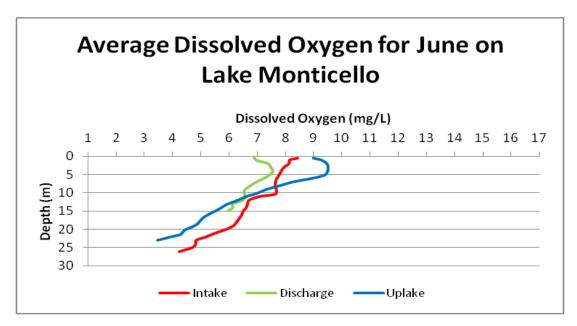


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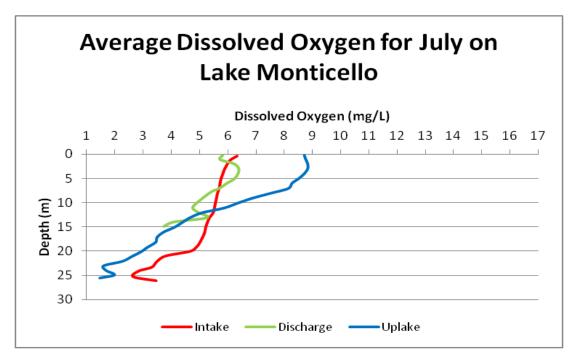


FIGURE 3-79 AVERAGE DISSOLVED OXYGEN FOR JULY ON MONTICELLO RESERVOIR

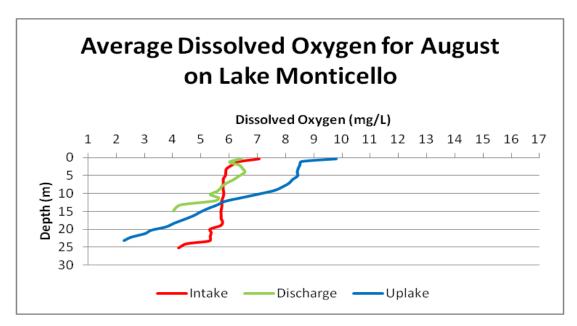


FIGURE 3-80 AVERAGE DISSOLVED OXYGEN FOR AUGUST ON MONTICELLO RESERVOIR

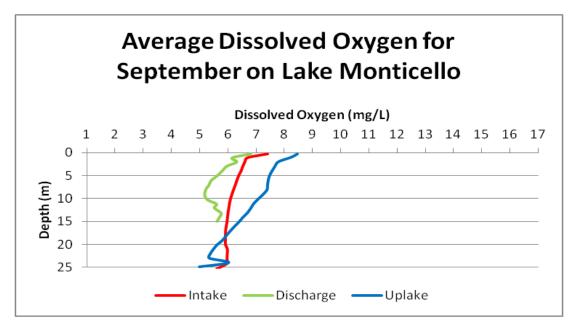


FIGURE 3-81 AVERAGE DISSOLVED OXYGEN FOR SEPTEMBER ON MONTICELLO RESERVOIR

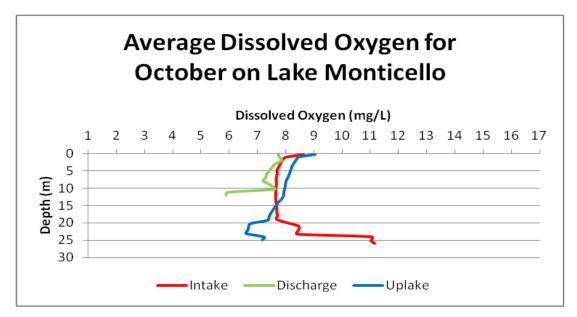


FIGURE 3-82 AVERAGE DISSOLVED OXYGEN FOR OCTOBER ON MONTICELLO RESERVOIR

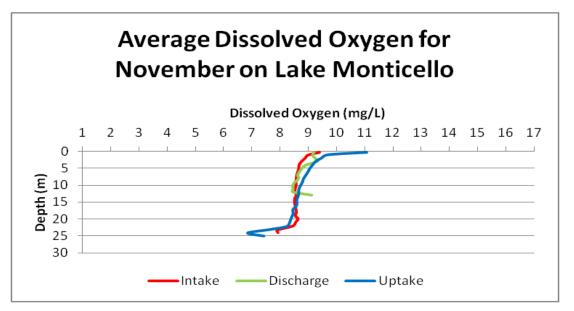


FIGURE 3-83 AVERAGE DISSOLVED OXYGEN FOR NOVEMBER ON MONTICELLO RESERVOIR

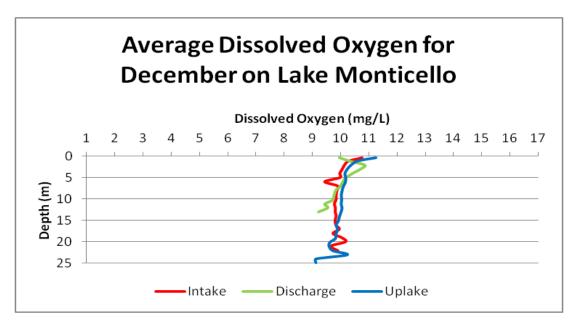


FIGURE 3-84 AVERAGE DISSOLVED OXYGEN FOR DECEMBER ON MONTICELLO RESERVOIR

## 3.2.1.3 SPECIFIC CONDUCTIVITY

Specific conductivity values depicted in the graphs below are an average of ten years of monthly readings collected by SCANA personnel, beginning in January of 2003 to December 2012. The data corresponding to the "intake" refers to that collected at the monitoring site located in the channel near the circulating water intake for the VCSNS. The data corresponding to the "discharge" refers to that collected at the monitoring site located just outside the northern end of the circulating water discharge canal for VCSNS. The data corresponding to the "uplake" refers to that collected at the monitoring site located near the northern end of the reservoir.

Specific conductivity of Monticello Reservoir typically ranges from 80.0 to 120.0  $\mu$ S/cm at all monitoring sites, at all depths of the reservoir.

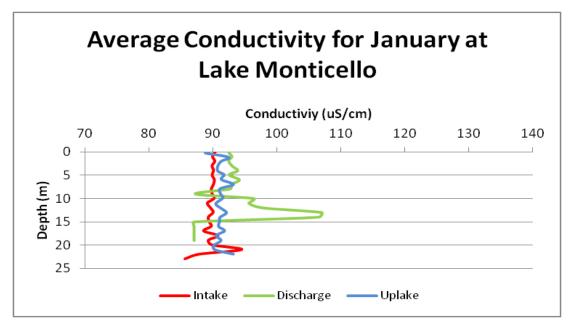


FIGURE 3-85 AVERAGE CONDUCTIVITY FOR JANUARY ON MONTICELLO RESERVOIR

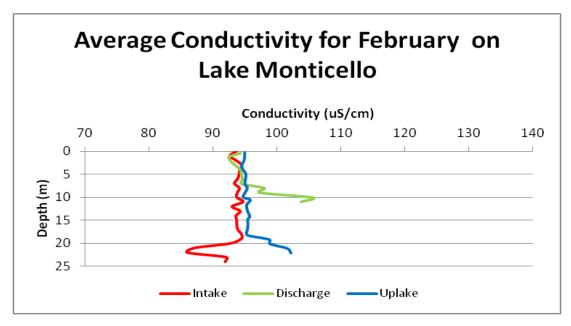


FIGURE 3-86 AVERAGE CONDUCTIVITY FOR FEBRUARY ON MONTICELLO RESERVOIR

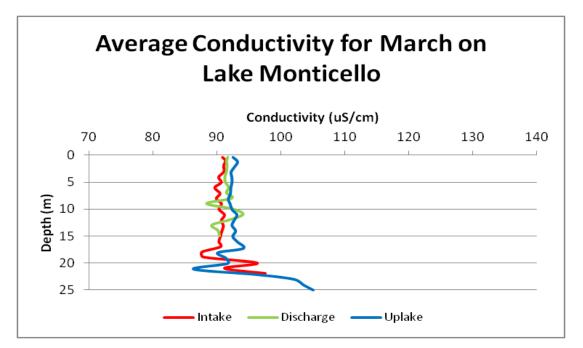


FIGURE 3-87 AVERAGE CONDUCTIVITY FOR MARCH ON MONTICELLO RESERVOIR

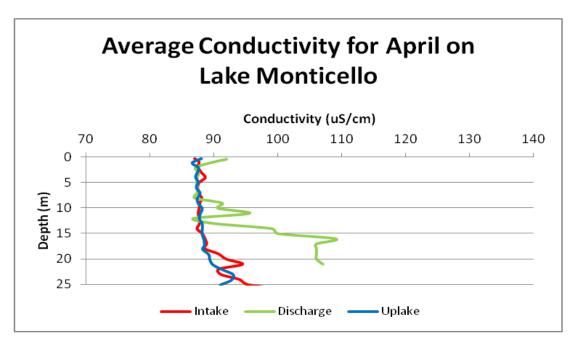


FIGURE 3-88 AVERAGE CONDUCTIVITY FOR APRIL ON MONTICELLO RESERVOIR

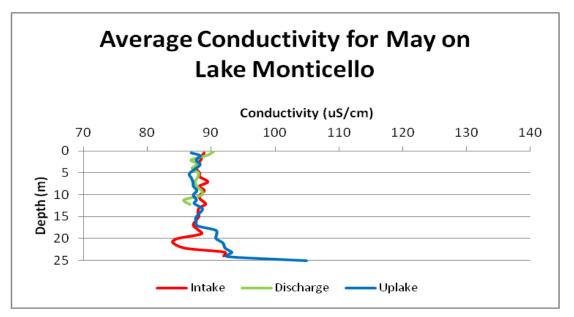


FIGURE 3-89 AVERAGE CONDUCTIVITY FOR MAY ON MONTICELLO RESERVOIR

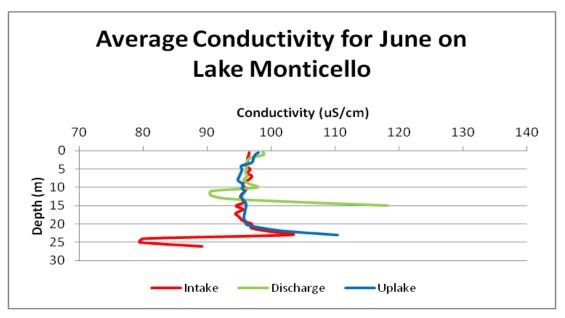


FIGURE 3-90 AVERAGE CONDUCTIVITY FOR JUNE ON MONTICELLO RESERVOIR

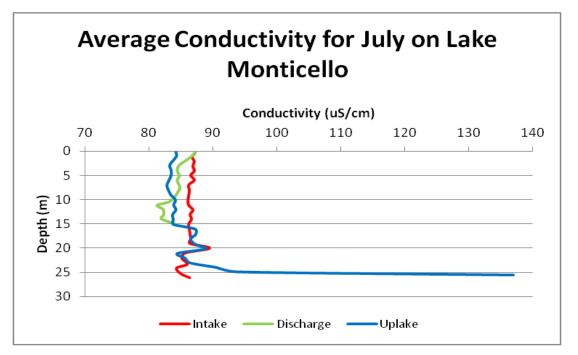


FIGURE 3-91 AVERAGE CONDUCTIVITY FOR JULY ON MONTICELLO RESERVOIR

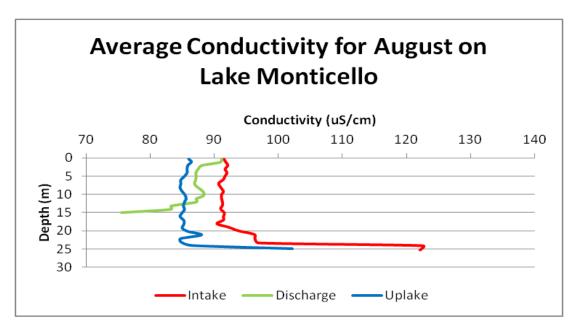


FIGURE 3-92 AVERAGE CONDUCTIVITY FOR AUGUST ON MONTICELLO RESERVOIR

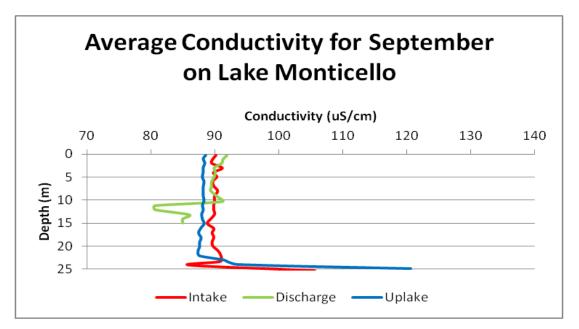


FIGURE 3-93 AVERAGE CONDUCTIVITY FOR SEPTEMBER ON MONTICELLO RESERVOIR

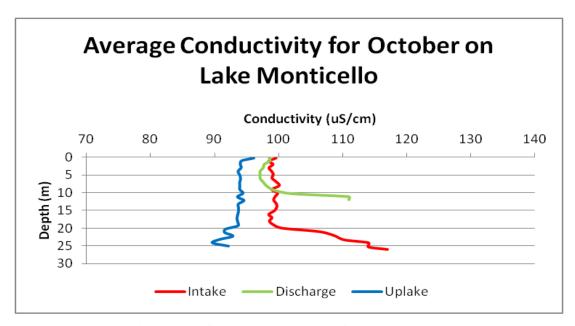


FIGURE 3-94 AVERAGE CONDUCTIVITY FOR OCTOBER ON MONTICELLO RESERVOIR

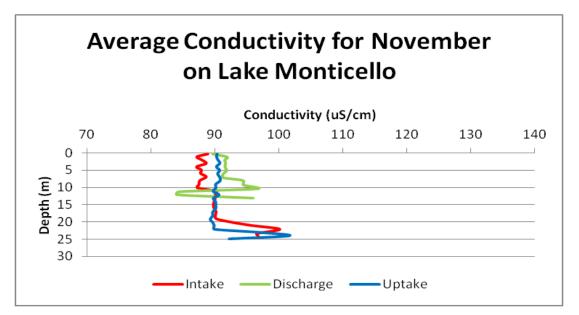


FIGURE 3-95 AVERAGE CONDUCTIVITY FOR NOVEMBER ON MONTICELLO RESERVOIR

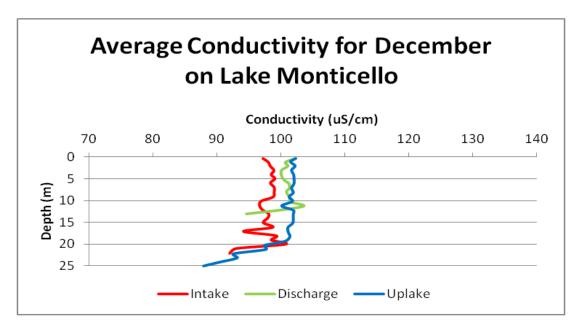


FIGURE 3-96 AVERAGE CONDUCTIVITY FOR DECEMBER ON MONTICELLO RESERVOIR

### 3.2.1.4 PH

pH values depicted in the graphs below are an average of ten years of monthly readings collected by SCANA personnel, beginning in January of 2003 to December 2012. The data corresponding to the "intake" refers to that collected at the monitoring site located in the channel near the circulating water intake for the VCSNS. The data corresponding to the "discharge" refers to that collected at the monitoring site located just outside the northern end of the circulating water discharge canal for VCSNS. The data corresponding to the "uplake" refers to that collected at the monitoring site located near the northern end of the reservoir.

The pH values at the monitoring sites near the intake and discharge of the VCSNS are consistently around 7.5, with the full range extending from 6.8 to 8.0. The pH at the uplake location is slightly more alkaline, with pH values being just a bit higher than those on the southern end of Monticello Reservoir. Generally, throughout the lake, the pH decreases as the depth of the reservoir increases.

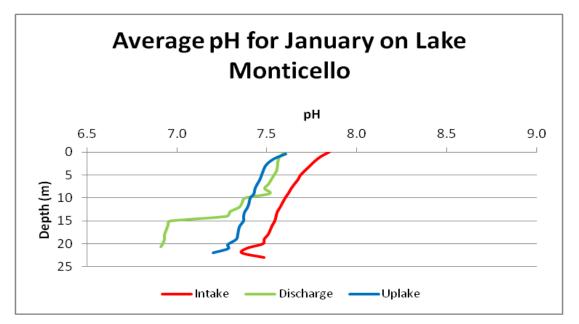


FIGURE 3-97 AVERAGE PH FOR JANUARY ON MONTICELLO RESERVOIR

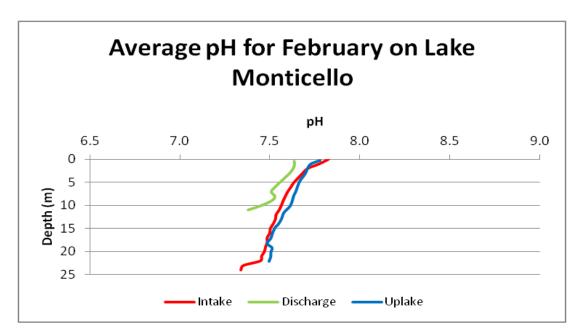


FIGURE 3-98 AVERAGE PH FOR FEBRUARY ON MONTICELLO RESERVOIR

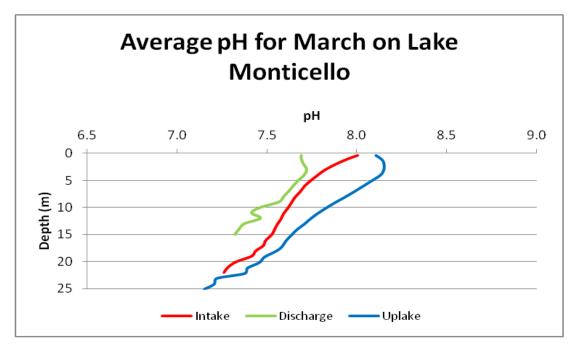


FIGURE 3-99 AVERAGE PH FOR MARCH ON MONTICELLO RESERVOIR

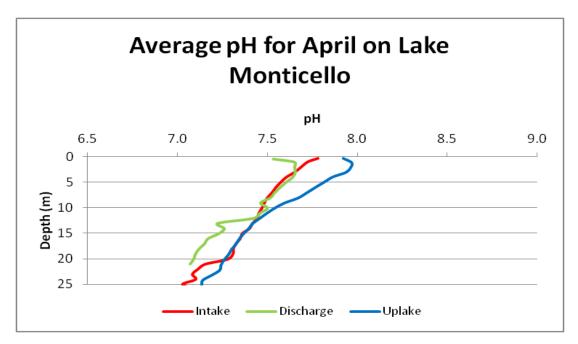


FIGURE 3-100 AVERAGE PH FOR APRIL ON MONTICELLO RESERVOIR

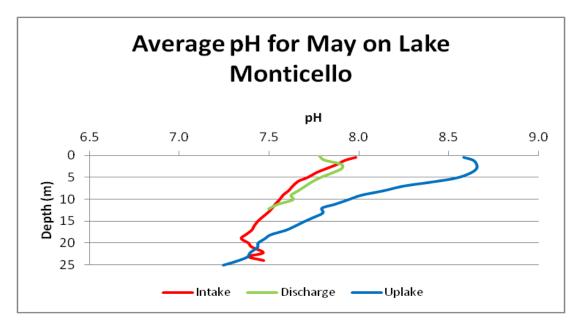


FIGURE 3-101 AVERAGE PH FOR MAY ON MONTICELLO RESERVOIR

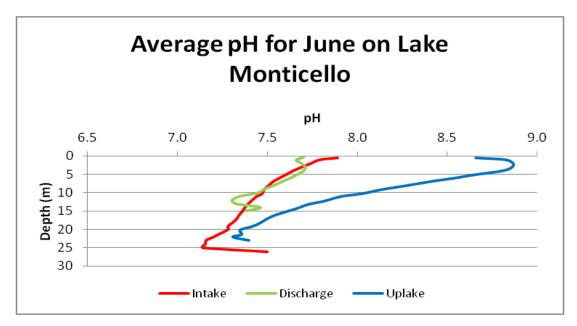


FIGURE 3-102 AVERAGE PH FOR JUNE ON MONTICELLO RESERVOIR

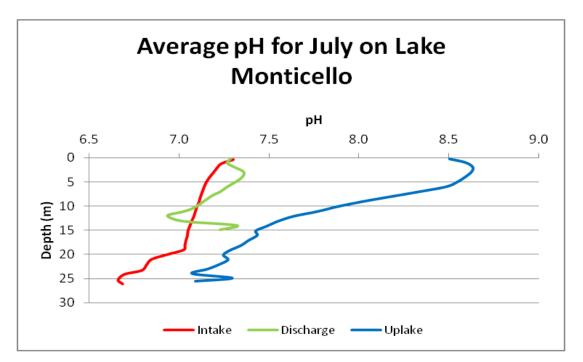


FIGURE 3-103 AVERAGE PH FOR JULY ON MONTICELLO RESERVOIR

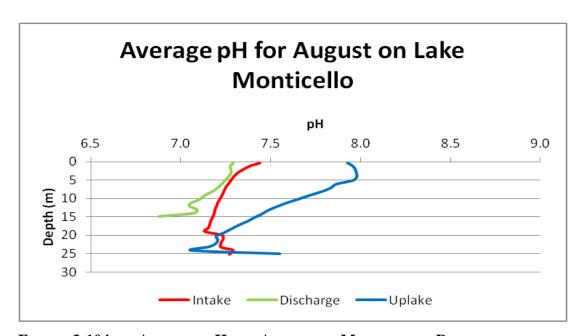


FIGURE 3-104 AVERAGE PH FOR AUGUST ON MONTICELLO RESERVOIR

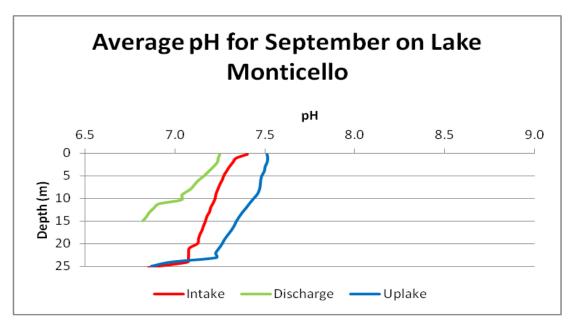


FIGURE 3-105 AVERAGE PH FOR SEPTEMBER ON MONTICELLO RESERVOIR

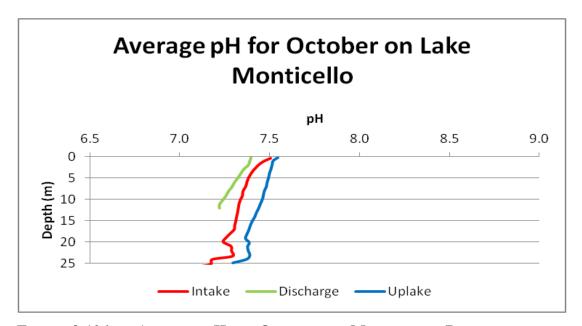


FIGURE 3-106 AVERAGE PH FOR OCTOBER ON MONTICELLO RESERVOIR

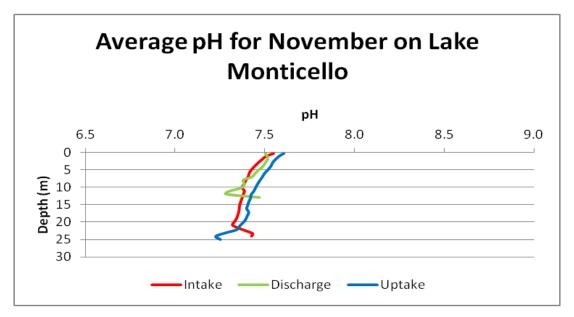


FIGURE 3-107 AVERAGE PH FOR NOVEMBER ON MONTICELLO RESERVOIR

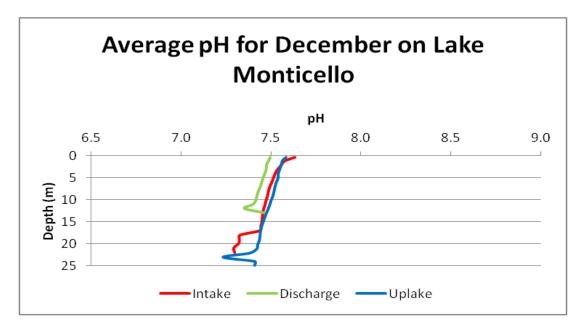


FIGURE 3-108 AVERAGE PH FOR DECEMBER ON MONTICELLO RESERVOIR

#### **3.2.1.5 SUMMARY**

Vertical profile data was collected on a monthly basis at three sites in Monticello Reservoir, beginning in 2003. Table 3-11 displays the maximum, minimum and mean temperature, DO, conductivity, and pH values on Monticello Reservoir for each collection year at each collection location. The data presented below was collected at a depth of 2 meters.

TABLE 3-11 SUMMARY TABLE FOR MONTICELLO RESERVOIR

		INTAKE					DISCH	ARGE		UPLAKE				
		Temp	SpCond	DO Conc	рН	Temp	SpCond	DO Conc	pН	Temp	SpCond	DO Conc	рН	
		С	uS/cm	mg/L		С	uS/cm	mg/L		С	uS/cm	mg/L		
2003	MAX	26.73	126	13.39	8.65	28.77	132	12.96	8.22	29.95	140	13.98	9.31	
	MIN	8.62	98	7.13	6.97	11.48	102	7.17	6.96	10.38	102	9.60	7.38	
	AVG	18.47	110	9.60	7.54	20.52	113	9.92	7.51	20.30	115	11.41	8.31	
2004	MAX	29.01	129	14.28	8.09	29.27	120	14.59	7.96	29.89	129	14.07	9.06	
	MIN	6.50	68	4.70	7.02	9.46	67	5.13	6.95	6.76	67	7.53	7.19	
	AVG	17.12	100	9.06	7.65	18.22	97	11.19	7.57	18.53	99	11.72	8.11	
2005	MAX	28.49	78	12.34	7.80	31.29	96	14.01	7.82	31.52	77	12.79	8.80	
	MIN	9.64	63	5.30	6.68	10.46	63	5.28	7.02	10.72	60	7.72	6.91	
	AVG	19.92	71	8.32	7.33	21.43	73	8.76	7.41	20.79	69	9.83	7.73	
2006	MAX	28.98	101	12.09	8.16	29.51	102	13.08	7.93	30.69	101	12.16	8.97	
	MIN	10.88	73	4.84	7.08	10.55	73		7.12	11.61	68	7.45	7.37	
	AVG	19.04	85	8.62	7.52	19.60	84		7.53	20.26	84		7.98	
2007	MAX	29.96	147	11.21	8.28	31.67	129	11.85	8.20	30.41	126	11.82	9.19	
2007	MIN	9.52	78	5.45	7.35	13.29	79	5.32	7.33	10.52	80		7.39	
	AVG	20.61	98	8.06	7.71	23.02	100		7.60	21.79	95	9.41	8.03	
	, · ·	20.01	30	0.00	7.71	25.02	100	0.57	7.00	21.73	33	3.41	0.03	
2008	MAX	27.90	166	11.55	8.11	28.44	169	12.49	7.70	28.28	169	12.51	9.28	
	MIN	10.44	99	5.96	7.16	11.19	98		7.11	10.48	98	5.56	7.08	
	AVG	19.32	118	8.55	7.54	20.14			7.48	19.66	119	9.75	7.83	
	, · ·	15.52	110	0.55	7.54	20.14	113	J.12	7.40	15.00	113	5.75	7.03	
2009	MAX	29.33	101	11.68	8.16	29.67	103	13.01	7.86	30.33	105	11.73	8.79	
2003	MIN	10.18	66	5.64	7.31	10.88	66		7.27	11.57	66		7.31	
	AVG	19.67	86	8.65	7.70	21.31	87		7.55	20.56	86		7.86	
	AVG	15.07	00	0.05	7.70	21.51	07	5.07	7.55	20.50	00	5.57	7.00	
2010	MAX	30.50	85	16.31	8.32	31.53	85	15.35	7.95	32.13	88	14.27	8.71	
2010	MIN	8.90	58	5.83	7.53	8.53	57	5.81	7.38	8.81	58	7.99	7.66	
	AVG	20.52	74	9.93	7.91	21.93	74		7.67	21.98	75	10.00	8.10	
	AVG	20.32	/4	9.93	7.31	21.93	/4	9.57	7.07	21.30	/3	10.00	0.10	
2011	MAX	29.76	101	12.49	8.14	32.61	101	13.56	8.55	30.67	101	12.25	8.90	
2011	MIN	9.00	75	4.98	7.09	9.14	73		7.03	8.91	75	5.82	7.12	
	AVG	20.88	91	8.50	7.09	23.09	89		7.61	21.44	89	9.06	7.12	
	AVG	20.00	91	6.30	7.40	23.09	69	0.00	7.01	21.44	69	5.00	7.04	
2012	MAX	28.74	100	11.73	8.52	30.29	101	12.15	7.81	20.57	98	12.75	9.01	
2012	MIN	11.85	83	4.48	6.58	12.42	80		6.98	30.57	98 81	12.75 5.31	7.13	
										12.23				
	AVG	19.69	92	9.05	7.42	20.72	92	8.95	7.41	20.68	91	9.95	7.94	

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## 3.2.2 SCE&G METALS DATA

Monticello Reservoir water samples were analyzed for a variety of parameters, including metals, in 2007 and 2008 as part of the VCSNS expansion. Data was collected in the vicinity of the new nuclear intake site on Monticello Reservoir. All parameters analyzed, including metals, are displayed below.

TABLE 3-12 WATER QUALITY DATA AT NEW NUCLEAR INTAKE SITE ON MONTICELLO RESERVOIR

		New Intake	New Intake	New Intake	New Intake	New Intake	New Intake	New Intake	New Intake	New Intake	New Intake	New Intake
		Lake	Lake	Lake	Lake	Lake	Lake	Lake	Lake	Lake	Lake	Lake
		Monticello	Monticello	Monticello	Monticello	Monticello	Monticello	Monticello	Monticello	Monticello	Monticello	Monticello
Sample Date		6/26/2007	7/26/2007	8/28/2007	9/13/2007	10/28/2007	11/19/2007	12/11/2007	1/28/2008	2/21/2008	3/6/2008	4/24/2008
Analysis	MDL /Units	Results	Results	Results	Results	Results	Results	Results	Results	Results	Results	Results
Phosphorus	0.050 mg/l	0	0	0.06		0	0			0.11	0.14	0.08
Arsenic	5.0 PPB	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Barium	10.0 PPB	17	17	20	18	16	0	15	14	20	14	18
Cadmium	1.0 PPB	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Calcium	100.0 PPB	4035	3799	3609	3552	3536	3732	3887	4496	4751	4725	5218
Chromium	10.0 PPB	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Copper	10.0 PPB	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Iron	10.0 PPB	201	241	473	111	143	126	179	295	1400	208	509
Lead	5.0 PPB	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Magnesium	100.0 PPB	1898	1925	2071	2107	2185	1940	2174	2141	2079	2004	2137
mercury (liquid)	0.4 PPB	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Potassium	100.0 PPB	1889	2042	2536	2121	2244	2574	2395	2423	2165	2168	2007
Selenium	5.0 PPB	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Silver	10.0 PPB	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Sodium	1000.0 PPB	9713	10510	14600	12750	14450	16120	16600	14750	12380	13410	11140
Total Hardness (calc)	0.0 mg/l	18	18	18	18	18	17	19	20	21	20	22
Chlorides	0.5 mg/l	7.3	8.4	10.7	10.1	10.8	10.9	11.5	10.9	10	10.3	8.3
Conductivity	0.05 umhos	88.9	95.33	105.9	105.2	112.8	108.7	130.9	107.2	104.7	119.9	94.4
Nitrate-N	0.11 mg/l as N	0.22	0.36	0.14	0.14	0.26	0.28	0.32	0.43	0.45	0.38	0.36
Othrophosphate	0.010 mg/l	0	0	0.023	0	0.02	0.026	0.045	0.05	0.07	0.039	0.04
pH	0.0 S.U.	7.35		7.33	7.37							
Sulfates	0.5 mg/l	3.16	4	7.9	4.13	3.5	4.6	5.8	9	8.9	8.5	6.9
Total Alkalinity	1.0 mg/l	34.1	31.5	36.4	33.48	35.37	35.4	43.88	28.5	26	32.1	24.5
Total Dissolved Solid	2.0 mg/l	111	76	70	64	68	85	81	66	74	72	65
Total Suspended Solid	1.0 mg/l	13	4	8	3	2	1	1.4	2	23	2	6
Turbidity	0.05 NTU	5.59	5.42	8.88	2.95	3.43	2.4	2.82	3.75	22.4	3.78	8.24
Fecal Coliform	1.0 #/100ml	14	14	21	5	4	0			7	2	0
Total Coliform	Present/Absent	Present	Present	Present	Present	Present	Present	Present	Present	Present	Present	Present
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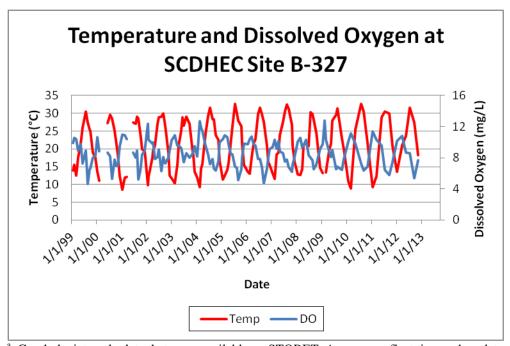
# 3.2.3 SCDHEC DATA

# 3.2.3.1 MONITORING STATION B-327

Temperature, DO, pH, and turbidity levels in the Monticello Reservoir are all consistent with state standards. SCDHEC monitoring site B-327, lower impoundment (see Figure 2-6), is not listed on the 2012 303(d) list.

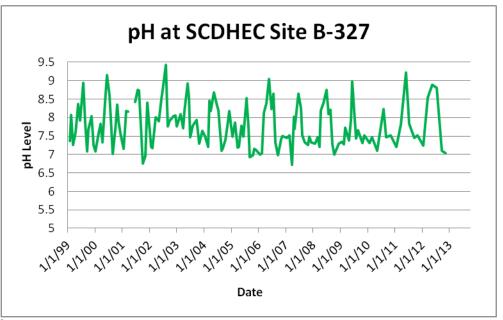
# Temperature, DO, pH, and Turbidity

The following data was collected from 1999 through 2012 at the SCDHEC monitoring station B-327 located in the Monticello Reservoir. See Table 2-1 for the SCDHEC water quality standards for temperature, DO, pH, and turbidity.



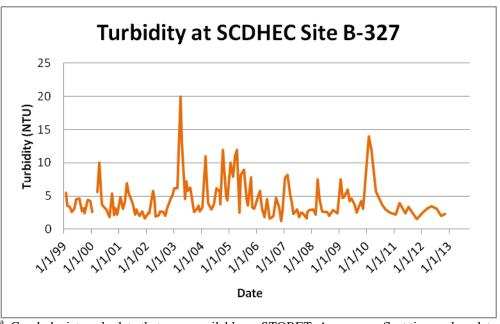
<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>a</sup> Graph depicts only data that were available on STORET. Any gaps reflect times when data were not collected, or not available.

FIGURE 3-109 WATER TEMPERATURE AND DISSOLVED OXYGEN AT SCDHEC MONITORING STATION B-327 a



<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>a</sup> Graph depicts only data that were available on STORET. Any gaps reflect times when data were not collected, or not available.

FIGURE 3-110 PH AT SCDHEC MONITORING STATION B-327 a



<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>a</sup> Graph depicts only data that were available on STORET. Any gaps reflect times when data were not collected, or not available.

FIGURE 3-111 TURBIDITY AT SCDHEC MONITORING STATION B-327<sup>A</sup>

# Metals

Water samples from monitoring station B-327 were collected on a quarterly basis from 1999 through 2012. As shown in Table 3-13, the SCDHEC core indicator metals (Table 2-3) have been consistently measured as Present Below Quantification Limit (PBQL) at site B-327, indicating the reservoir supports aquatic life use.

TABLE 3-13 METALS PRESENT AT SCDHEC MONITORING STATION B-327<sup>A</sup>

2/40/00	Cadmium (mg/L)	Chromium (mg/L)	Copper (mg/L)	Iron (mg/L)	Lead (mg/L)	Magnesium (mg/L)	Manganese (mg/L)	Mercury (mg/L)	INICKEI (IIIg/L)	Zinc (mg/L)
2/18/99	PBQL	PBQL	-	0.5	PBQL	-	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL	0.01
5/20/99	PBQL	PBQL	-	0.23	PBQL	-	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL
8/26/99	PBQL	PBQL	-	0.12	PBQL	-	0.01	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL
11/16/99	PBQL	PBQL	-	0.17	PBQL	-	0.01	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL
5/18/00	PBQL	PBQL	-	0.14	PBQL	=	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL
8/24/00	PBQL	PBQL	=	0.14	PBQL	-	0.01	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL
11/16/00	PBQL	PBQL	=	0.22	PBQL	-	0.03	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL
2/21/01	PBQL	PBQL	=	0.12	PBQL	=	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL
5/7/01	PBQL	PBQL	=	0.25	PBQL	=	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL
8/16/01	PBQL	PBQL	=	0.069	PBQL	=	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL
11/6/01	PBQL	PBQL	=	0.16	PBQL	=	0.014	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL
2/7/02	PBQL	PBQL	=	0.11	PBQL	1.9	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL
5/6/02	PBQL	PBQL	-	0.25	PBQL	=	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL	0.011
8/8/02	PBQL	PBQL	-	0.057	PBQL	=	0.01	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL
11/21/02	PBQL	PBQL	-	0.28	PBQL	-	0.011	PBQL	PBQL	0.016
2/19/03	PBQL	PBQL	=	0.37	PBQL	1.6	0.014	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL
5/28/03	PBQL	PBQL	-	0.82	PBQL	-	0.023	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL
8/7/03	PBQL	PBQL	-	0.2	PBQL	-	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL
11/20/03	PBQL	PBQL	-	0.17	PBQL	-	0.015	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL
2/25/04	PBQL	PBQL	-	0.6	PBQL	1.6	0.018	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL
5/13/04	PBQL	PBQL	=	0.16	PBQL	=	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL
8/26/04	PBQL	PBQL	-	0.13	PBQL	=	0.011	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL
11/22/04	PBQL	PBQL	-	0.28	PBQL	=	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL	0.021
2/23/05	PBQL	PBQL	-	0.35	PBQL	1.3	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL
5/18/05	PBQL	PBQL	-	0.19	PBQL	-	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL
8/18/05	PBQL	PBQL	-	0.19	PBQL	-	0.016	PBQL	PBQL	0.01
11/2/05	PBQL	PBQL	-	0.15	PBQL	-	0.015	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL
2/16/06	PBQL	PBQL	-	0.5	PBQL	1.7	0.013	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL
5/18/06	PBQL	PBQL	-	0.2	PBQL	-	0.01	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL
8/17/06	PBQL	PBQL	-	0.095	PBQL	-	0.012	PBQL	PBQL	0.024
11/20/06	PBQL	PBQL	-	0.18	PBQL	=	0.021	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL
2/20/07	PBQL	PBQL	-	0.4	PBQL	1.5	0.015	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL
5/2/07	PBQL	PBQL	-	0.11	PBQL	1.5	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL	0.017
8/13/07	PBQL	PBQL	-	0.063	PBQL	1.7	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL	0.011
11/8/07	PBQL	PBQL	-	0.35	PBQL	1.8	0.042	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL
2/28/08	PBQL	PBQL	-	0.19	PBQL	1.7	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL
5/22/08	PBQL	PBQL	-	0.12	PBQL	-	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL
8/19/08	PBQL	PBQL	-	0.051	PBQL	1.6	0.013	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL
2/12/09	PBQL	PBQL	=	0.27	PBQL	1.8	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL	0.039
5/20/09	PBQL	PBQL	=	0.17	PBQL	1.8	0.012	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL
8/20/09	0.00013	PBQL	=	0.06	PBQL	1.8	0.014	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL
11/19/09	0.00015	PBQL	-	0.22	PBQL	1.6	0.012	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL
1/28/10	PBQL	PBQL	-	0.55	PBQL	=	0.019	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL
5/6/10	PBQL	PBQL	-	0.2	PBQL	-	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL
7/29/10	PBQL	PBQL	-	0.094	PBQL	-	0.012	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL
11/4/10	PBQL	PBQL	-	0.082	PBQL	1.6	0.013	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL
1/19/11	PBQL	PBQL	=	0.14	PBQL	=	0.014	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL
5/31/11	PBQL	PBQL	=	0.044	PBQL	=	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL
7/14/11	PBQL	PBQL	=	0.052	PBQL	=	0.013	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL
11/3/11	PBQL	PBQL	-	0.08	PBQL	1.8	0.015	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL
1/12/12	PBQL	PBQL	=	0.1	PBQL	-	0.01	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL
5/15/12	PBQL	PBQL		0.11	PBQL	-	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL
7/17/12	PBQL	PBQL	-	0.033	PBQL	-	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL
				0.062	PBQL	1.6	0.036	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL

APBQL is Present Below Quantification Limit.

# Nutrients

Nutrients data was collected at SCDHEC monitoring station B-327 from 1999 through 2012 and is included in the table below. See Table 2-2 for SCDHEC standards for nutrients.

TABLE 3-14 NUTRIENTS AND CHLOROPHYLL A AT SCDHEC MONITORING STATION B-  $327^{\rm A}$ 

Date	Total Nitrogen (mg/L)	Total Phosphorus (mg/L)	Chlorophyll a (ug/L)	Date	Total Nitrogen (mg/L)	Total Phosphorus (mg/L)	Chlorophyll a (ug/L)
1/28/99	0.55	-	-	5/18/05	0.8	0.031	5.42
2/18/99	0.57	-	-	6/9/05	0.83	0.036	25.73
3/18/99 4/15/99	0.37 0.61	-	-	7/21/05 8/18/05	0.64 0.35	0.028 0.032	14.11 11.6
5/20/99	0.56	-	-	9/8/05	0.57	PBQL	2.62
6/17/99	0.57	-	-	10/20/05	0.62	0.022	-
7/29/99	0.58	-	-	11/2/05	0.6	PBQL	-
8/26/99	0.41	-	-	12/1/05	0.74	PBQL	-
9/23/99	0.6	-	-	1/17/06	0.68	0.025	-
10/5/99	0.56	-	-	2/16/06	0.81	0.021	-
11/16/99 12/16/99	0.47 0.67	-	-	3/16/06 4/20/06	0.7 0.91	PBQL PBQL	-
1/13/00	0.87		-	5/18/06	0.54	PBQL	25.81
3/16/00	0.68	-	-	6/22/06	0.49	PBQL	2.62
4/13/00	0.6	-	-	7/20/06	PBQL	PBQL	5.26
5/18/00	0.51	-	-	8/17/06	0.83	PBQL	9.55
6/15/00	0.38	-	10.7	9/14/06	0.68	0.02	3.83
7/20/00	PBQL	-	15.1	10/26/06	0.56	0.025	2.59
8/24/00	0.38	-	5.91	11/20/06	0.5	0.029	-
9/28/00 10/26/00	0.43 0.46	-	10.5 4.2	12/7/06 1/17/07	0.59 0.59	0.031 0.021	-
11/16/00	0.46	-	- 4.2	2/20/07	0.66	0.021	-
12/12/00	0.48	-	-	3/22/07	-	0.033	-
2/21/01	0.61	-	-	4/19/07	-	PBQL	-
4/17/01	0.97	-	-	5/2/07	-	PBQL	4.87
5/7/01	-	-	2.66	6/21/07	0.31	PBQL	10.61
6/26/01	0.44	0.036	10.9	7/19/07	0.539	PBQL	9.17
7/30/01	- 0.475	0.02	6.94	8/13/07	0.287	PBQL	6.82
8/16/01 9/5/01	0.475	0.024 PBQL	13.3 4.84	9/10/07 10/25/07	0.338	PBQL 0.024	6.31 3.67
10/4/01	PBQL	0.02	4.88	11/8/07	0.54	0.024	-
11/6/01	-	0.02	-	12/4/07	PBQL	-	-
12/6/01	0.43	PBQL	-	1/24/08	0.58	0.048	-
1/24/02	0.59	0.023	-	2/28/08	0.63	0.036	-
2/7/02	-	0.023	-	3/25/08	0.59	0.044	-
3/27/02	0.72	PBQL	-	3/25/08	0.59	-	-
4/11/02	-	0.022	- 2.40	4/17/08	0.51	0.029	-
5/6/02 6/13/02	0.5 0.308	PBQL PBQL	2.48 5.87	4/17/08 5/22/08	0.51 0.27	0.032	-
7/1/02	PBQL	PBQL	13.6	6/26/08	-	0.022	6.48
8/8/02	-	PBQL	8.37	7/29/08	-	12.27	
9/5/02	PBQL	PBQL	14.8	8/19/08	0.282	0.03	5.29
10/2/02	-	0.023	12	9/11/08	0.19	PBQL	5.04
11/21/02	0.48	0.024	-	10/14/08	-	0.033	2.81
12/12/02	0.39	0.029	-	12/9/08	1.14	0.039	-
1/6/03 2/19/03	0.53	0.031 0.029	-	1/22/09 2/12/09	0.57 0.78	0.038 0.04	-
3/27/03	0.63	0.029	-	3/5/09	0.69	0.026	-
4/17/03	-	0.034	=	4/23/09	PBQL	0.023	-
5/28/03	0.52	PBQL	-	5/20/09	0.55	0.023	5.86
6/16/03	-	PBQL	-	6/11/09	0.564	PBQL	6.42
7/2/03	0.46	PBQL	-	7/30/09	PBQL	0.026	12.03
8/7/03	-	PBQL	-	8/20/09	PBQL	0.024	12.21
9/25/03	0.85	PBQL	10.77 1.74	10/22/09 11/19/09	0.42	0.031	4.22
10/30/03 11/20/03	0.98	PBQL PBQL	1.74	1/19/09	0.46 PBQL	0.034 0.036	-
12/11/03	-	PBQL	-	3/4/10	PBQL	0.039	-
1/15/04	0.69	PBQL	-	5/6/10	0.32	PBQL	12.67
2/25/04	-	0.023	-	7/29/10	0.247	0.023	10.96
3/11/04	0.91	PBQL	-	9/9/10	0.34	PBQL	10.08
4/1/04	0.76	PBQL	-	11/4/10	0.62	0.024	-
5/13/04	0.42	0.027	12.75	1/19/11	PBQL	0.046	-
6/17/04	0.71 0.71	0.034 0.039	12	3/17/11	0.68	0.03	- 9.84
7/15/04 8/26/04	0.71	0.039	13.28 9.57	5/31/11 7/14/11	0.264	0.023 0.03	9.84
9/9/04	0.55	0.029	1.99	9/15/11	0.264	0.022	9.28
10/14/04	0.73	0.027	-	11/3/11	0.81	0.028	-
11/22/04	0.78	0.035	=	1/12/12	PBQL	0.039	-
12/7/04	0.63	0.021	-	3/19/12	0.59	0.03	-
1/20/05	0.96	0.037	-	5/15/12	0.31	0.021	19.76
2/23/05	0.92	0.038	-	7/17/12	0.339	0.023	-
3/24/05	0.81	0.033	-	9/20/12	PBQL	PBQL	6.47
4/14/05	0.74	0.033	-	11/8/12	0.68	0.028	-

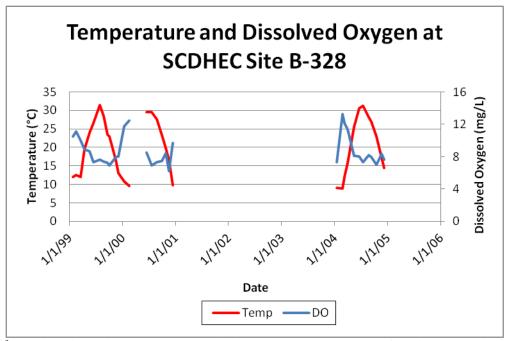
APBQL is Present Below Quantification Limit.

### 3.2.3.2 MONITORING STATION B-328

The SCDHEC monitoring station B-328, at buoy in the middle of the reservoir, is located in the area of Monticello Reservoir set aside solely for recreation, known as the Recreation Lake. The data presented below shows all parameters reading well within normal and safe limits.

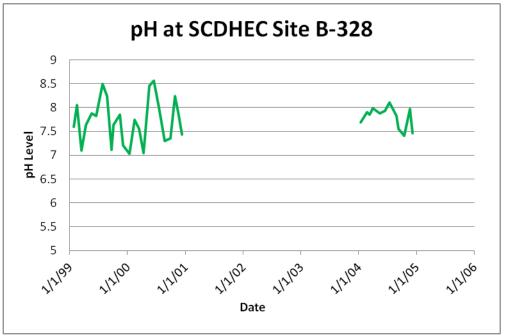
# Temperature, DO, pH, and Turbidity

The following data was collected in 1999, 2000 and 2004 at the SCDHEC monitoring station B-328 located in the Monticello Reservoir. See Table 2-1 for the SCDHEC water quality standards for temperature, DO, pH, and turbidity.



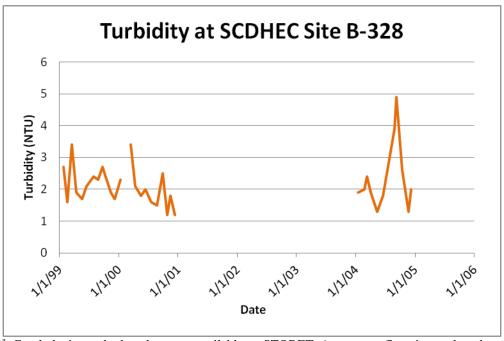
<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>a</sup> Graph depicts only data that were available on STORET. Any gaps reflect times when data were not collected, or not available.

FIGURE 3-112 WATER TEMPERATURE AND DISSOLVED OXYGEN AT SCDHEC MONITORING STATION B-328 a



<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>a</sup> Graph depicts only data that were available on STORET. Any gaps reflect times when data were not collected, or not available.

FIGURE 3-113 PH AT SCDHEC MONITORING STATION B-328 a



<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>a</sup> Graph depicts only data that were available on STORET. Any gaps reflect times when data were not collected, or not available.

FIGURE 3-114 TURBIDITY AT SCDHEC MONITORING STATION B-328 a

Water samples from monitoring station B-328 were collected on a quarterly basis for the years 1999, 2000 and 2004. As shown in Table 3-15, the SCDHEC core indicator metals (Table 2-3) were consistently measured as Present Below Quantification Limit (PBQL) at site B-328, indicating the reservoir supports aquatic life use.

TABLE 3-15 METALS PRESENT AT SCDHEC MONITORING STATION B-328<sup>A</sup>

DATE	Cadmium (mg/L)	Chromium (mg/L)	Copper (mg/L)	Iron (mg/L)	Lead (mg/L)	Magnesium (mg/L)	Manganese (mg/L)	Mercury (mg/L)	Nickel (mg/L)	Zinc (mg/L)
2/18/99	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL	0.15	PBQL	-	0.02	PBQL	PBQL	0.03
5/20/99	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL	0.05	PBQL	-	0.03	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL
8/26/99	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL	0.06	PBQL	-	0.05	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL
11/16/99	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL	0.08	PBQL	-	0.16	PBQL	PBQL	0.01
5/18/00	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL	0.05	PBQL	-	0.03	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL
8/24/00	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL	0.07	PBQL	-	0.05	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL
11/16/00	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL	0.09	PBQL	-	0.32	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL
2/25/04	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL	0.16	PBQL	2	0.019	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL
5/13/04	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL	0.054	PBQL	-	0.043	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL
8/26/04	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL	0.042	PBQL	-	0.03	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL
11/22/04	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL	0.06	PBQL	-	0.044	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL

A PBQL is Present Below Quantification Limit.

#### Nutrients

Water samples collected at SCDHEC monitoring station B-328 in 1999, 2000 and 2004 were analyzed for total nitrogen, total phosphorus and chlorophyll-a. See Table 2-2 for SCDHEC standards for nutrients. As of 2004, these parameters were measured at levels deemed acceptable by SCDHEC.

Table 3-16 Nutrients and Chlorophyll A at SCDHEC Monitoring Station B-  $328^{\rm A}$ 

Date	Total Nitrogen (mg/L)	Total Phosphorus (mg/L)	Chlorophyll a (ug/L)
1/28/99	0.37	-	-
2/18/99	0.27	-	-
3/18/99	0.37	-	-
4/15/99	PBQL	-	-
5/20/99	PBQL	-	-
6/17/99	PBQL	-	-
7/29/99	PBQL	-	-
8/26/99	PBQL	-	-
9/23/99	PBQL	-	-
10/5/99	0.7	-	-
11/16/99	0.39	-	-
12/6/99	0.39	-	-
1/13/00	0.63	-	-
3/16/00	PBQL	-	-
4/13/00	PBQL	-	-
5/18/00	PBQL	-	-
6/15/00	PBQL	-	1.86
7/20/00	PBQL	-	3.03
8/24/00	PBQL	-	6.52
9/28/00	PBQL	-	7.09
10/26/00	PBQL	-	4.42
11/16/00	PBQL	-	-
12/12/00	0.45	-	-
1/15/04	0.602	PBQL	-
2/25/04	-	PBQL	-
3/11/04	0.512	PBQL	-
4/1/04	PBQL	PBQL	-
5/13/04	PBQL	PBQL	1.57
6/17/04	PBQL	PBQL	1.89
7/15/04	PBQL	PBQL	3.09
8/26/04	PBQL	PBQL	3.7
9/9/04	PBQL	0.021	-
10/14/04	PBQL	PBQL	4.67
11/22/04	PBQL	PBQL	-
12/7/04	0.372	PBQL	-

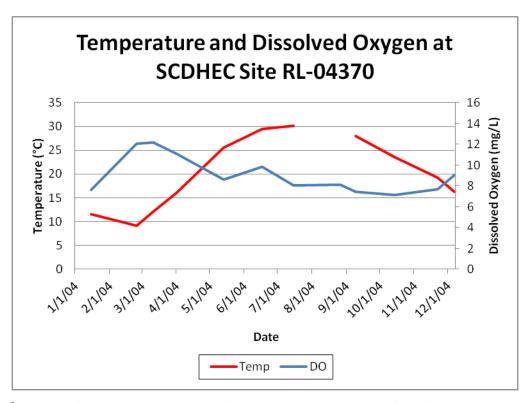
APBQL is Present Below Quantification Limit.

#### 3.2.3.3 Monitoring Station RL-04370

SCDHEC monitoring site RL-04370 was established for water quality monitoring during the year 2004. During this time, this site was included on the state 303(d) list due pH excursions. See information included below for further details.

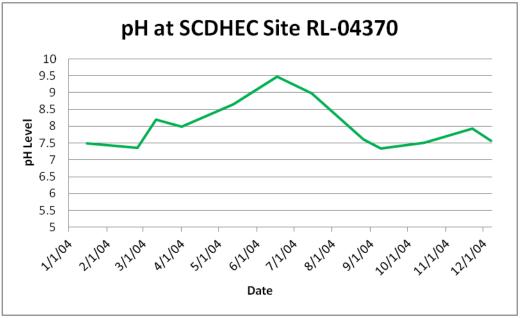
# Temperature, DO, pH, and Turbidity

In 2004, the pH levels at SCDHEC monitoring site RL-04370, approximately 1.7 miles NW of the town of Monticello, were measured above the SCDHEC standard. During the summer months, pH values reached nearly 9.5. Due to these excursions, this site was included on the 303(d) list. DO and turbidity values were well within state limits at this site during 2004. See Table 2-1 for the SCDHEC water quality standards for temperature, DO, pH, and turbidity.



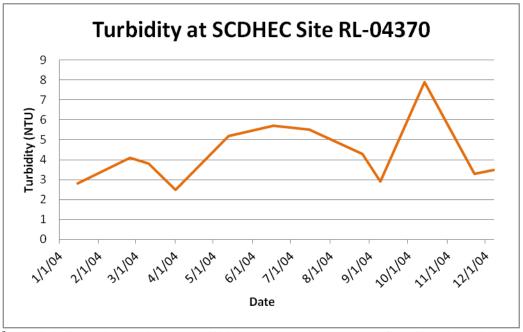
<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>a</sup> Graph depicts only data that were available on STORET. Any gaps reflect times when data were not collected, or not available.

FIGURE 3-115 WATER TEMPERATURE AND DISSOLVED OXYGEN AT SCDHEC MONITORING STATION RL-04370<sup>A</sup>



<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>a</sup> Graph depicts only data that were available on STORET. Any gaps reflect times when data were not collected, or not available.

FIGURE 3-116 PH AT SCDHEC MONITORING STATION RL-04370<sup>A</sup>



<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>a</sup> Graph depicts only data that were available on STORET. Any gaps reflect times when data were not collected, or not available.

FIGURE 3-117 TURBIDITY AT SCDHEC MONITORING STATION RL-04370<sup>A</sup>

Water samples from monitoring station RL-04370 were collected on a quarterly basis during 2004 and analyzed for various metals. Results of these analyses are included below. Analysis of the SCDHEC core indicator metals (Table 2-3) signify the reservoir supports aquatic life use at monitoring site RL-04370.

TABLE 3-17 METALS PRESENT AT SCDHEC MONITORING STATION RL-04370<sup>A</sup>

DATE	Cadmium (mg/L)	Chromium (mg/L)	Copper (mg/L)	Iron (mg/L)	Lead (mg/L)	Magnesium (mg/L)	Manganese (mg/L)	Mercury (mg/L)	Nickel (mg/L)	Zinc (mg/L)
2/25/04	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL	0.24	PBQL	1.5	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL	0.028
5/13/04	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL	0.2	PBQL	-	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL
8/26/04	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL	0.09	PBQL	-	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL
11/22/04	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL	0.22	PBQL	-	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL
1/19/11	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL	0.11	-	-	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL
5/31/11	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL	0.1	-	-	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL
7/14/11	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL	0.04	-	-	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL
11/3/11	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL	0.048	-	1.8	0.012	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL

A PBQL is Present Below Quantification Limit.

### Nutrients

Nutrients data was collected at SCDHEC monitoring station RL-04370 in 2004 and is included in the table below. See Table 2-2 for SCDHEC standards for nutrients.

Table 3-18 Nutrients and Chlorophyll A at SCDHEC Monitoring Station RL-04370 $^{\rm A}$ 

Date	Total Nitrogen (mg/L)	Total Phosphorus (mg/L)	Chlorophyll a (ug/L)
1/15/04	0.62	PBQL	-
2/25/04	-	PBQL	-
3/11/04	0.99	PBQL	-
4/1/04	0.55	PBQL	-
5/13/04	0.39	PBQL	4.47
6/17/04	PBQL	0.044	25.6
7/15/04	0.405	0.027	12.11
8/26/04	0.47	PBQL	11.17
9/9/04	0.6	0.021	-
10/14/04	0.63	0.024	7.13
11/22/04	0.58	0.024	-
12/7/04	0.62	0.02	-
1/19/11	PBQL	0.042	-
2/16/11	0.7	0.046	-
3/17/11	0.66	0.029	-
4/14/11	-	0.027	-
5/31/11	-	0.027	8.77
6/29/11	PBQL	0.041	-
7/14/11	PBQL	0.034	17.95
8/11/11	PBQL	0.025	8.85
9/15/11	PBQL	PBQL	7.62
10/20/11	0.43	PBQL	6.74
11/3/11	0.65	0.027	-
12/5/11	0.84	0.035	-

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>A</sup>PBQL is Present Below Quantification Limit.

# 3.2.3.4 MONITORING STATION RL-04374

SCDHEC monitoring site RL-04374, approximately 3.5 miles N of Jenkinsville, was established for water quality monitoring during the year 2004. This site was added to the state 303(d) list due to pH excursions. See information included below for further details.

Temperature, DO, pH, and Turbidity

In 2004, the pH levels at SCDHEC monitoring site RL-04374 were measured above the SCDHEC standard range (see Table 2-1). During the summer months, pH values were recorded between 8.5 and 9.0. Due to these excursions, this site was included on the 303(d) list. DO and turbidity values were well within state limits at this site during 2004.

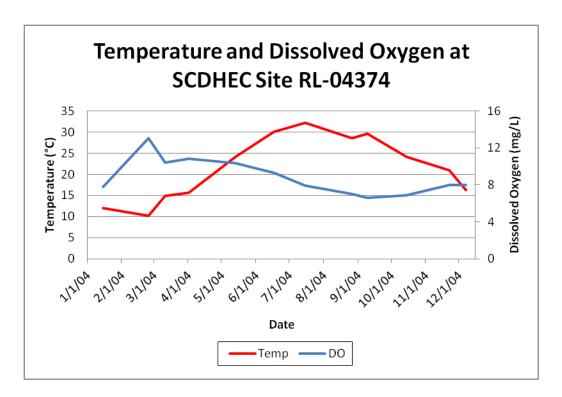


FIGURE 3-118 WATER TEMPERATURE AND DISSOLVED OXYGEN AT SCDHEC MONITORING STATION RL-04374

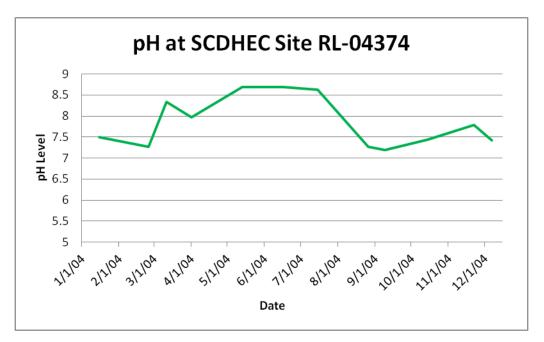


FIGURE 3-119 PH AT SCDHEC MONITORING STATION RL-04374

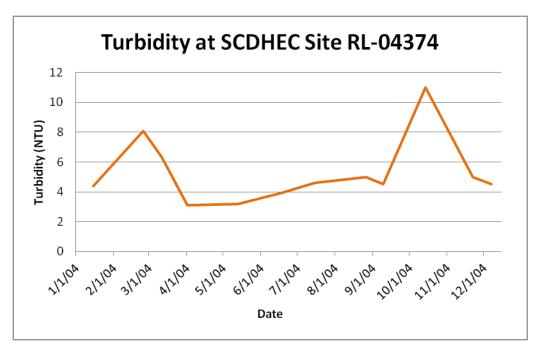


FIGURE 3-120 TURBIDITY AT SCDHEC MONITORING STATION RL-04374

Water samples from monitoring station RL-04374 were collected on a quarterly basis during 2004 and analyzed for various metals. Results of these analyses are included below. Analysis of the SCDHEC core indicator metals (Table 2-3) signify the reservoir supports aquatic life use at monitoring site RL-04374.

TABLE 3-19 METALS PRESENT AT SCDHEC MONITORING STATION RL-04374<sup>A</sup>

DATE	Cadmium (mg/L)	Chromium (mg/L)	Copper (mg/L)	Iron (mg/L)	Lead (mg/L)	Magnesium (mg/L)	Manganese (mg/L)	Mercury (mg/L)	Nickel (mg/L)	Zinc (mg/L)
2/25/04	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL	0.51	PBQL	1.6	0.012	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL
5/13/04	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL	0.11	PBQL	-	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL
8/26/04	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL	0.16	PBQL	-	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL
11/22/04	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL	0.31	PBQL	-	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL

APBQL is Present Below Quantification Limit.

### **Nutrients**

Nutrients data was collected at SCDHEC monitoring station RL-04374 in 2004 and is included in the table below. See Table 2-2 for SCDHEC standards for nutrients.

TABLE 3-20 NUTRIENTS AND CHLOROPHYLL A AT SCDHEC MONITORING STATION RL-04374<sup>A</sup>

Date	Total Nitrogen (mg/L)	Total Phosphorus (mg/L)	Chlorophyll a (ug/L)
1/15/04	0.73	-	-
2/25/04	-	PBQL	-
3/11/04	0.85	PBQL	-
4/1/04	0.63	PBQL	-
5/13/04	0.61	PBQL	13.36
6/17/04	0.71	0.031	15.31
7/15/04	0.46	0.048	19.41
8/26/04	0.5	0.021	8.72
9/9/04	0.52	0.024	-
10/14/04	0.64	0.029	4.36
11/22/04	0.69	0.056	-
12/7/04	0.64	0.026	-

APBQL is Present Below Quantification Limit.

### 3.2.3.5 Monitoring Station RL-08055

SCDHEC monitoring station RL-08055, as close to the outflow at dam as possible, was established for water quality monitoring in Monticello Reservoir during 2008. The data presented below shows all parameters reading well within SCDHEC-established limits.

Temperature, DO, pH, and Turbidity

Data collected in 2008 at the SCDHEC monitoring station RL-08055 located in the Monticello Reservoir is presented in the graphs below. See Table 2-1 for the SCDHEC water quality standards for temperature, DO, pH, and turbidity. It should be noted that this monitoring site is located in close proximity to the Fairfield Pumped Storage Development. Although turbidity may be a concern at this location due to the pumping operations of the facility, it was consistently measured as below the SCDHEC turbidity standard of 25 NTU.

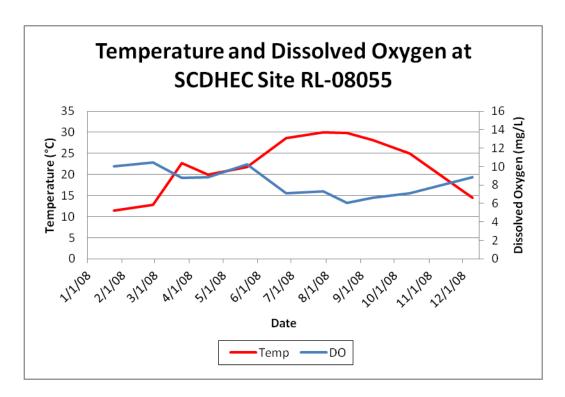


FIGURE 3-121 WATER TEMPERATURE AND DISSOLVED OXYGEN AT SCDHEC MONITORING STATION RL-08055

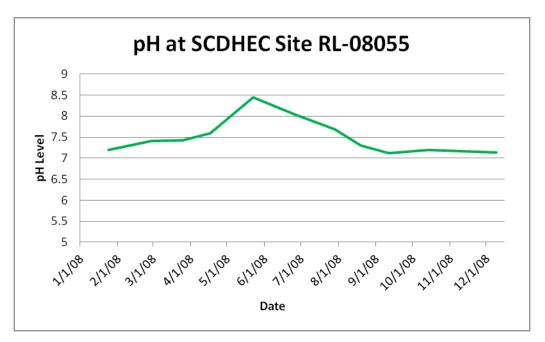


FIGURE 3-122 PH AT SCDHEC MONITORING STATION RL-08055

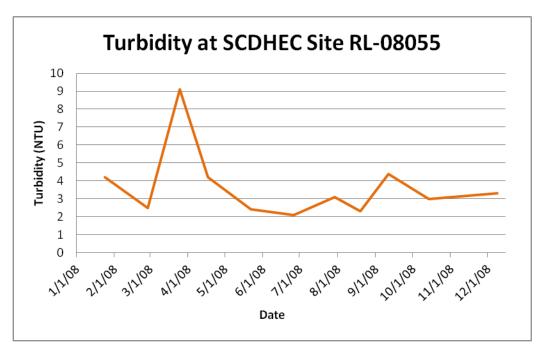


FIGURE 3-123 TURBIDITY AT SCDHEC MONITORING STATION RL-08055

Water samples from monitoring station RL-08055 were collected on a quarterly basis during 2008 and analyzed for various metals. Results of these analyses are included below. Analysis of the SCDHEC core indicator metals (Table 2-3) signify the reservoir supports aquatic life use at monitoring site RL-08055.

TABLE 3-21 METALS PRESENT AT SCDHEC MONITORING STATION RL-08055<sup>A</sup>

DATE	Cadmium (mg/L)	Chromium (mg/L)	Copper (mg/L)	Iron (mg/L)	Lead (mg/L)	Magnesium (mg/L)	Manganese (mg/L)	Mercury (mg/L)	Nickel (mg/L)	Zinc (mg/L)
2/28/2008	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL	0.2	PBQL	1.8	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL
4/10/2008	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL	0.14	PBQL	-	0.015	PBQL	PBQL	0.014
5/22/2008	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL	0.12	PBQL	-	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL
8/19/2008	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL	0.062	PBQL	0.19	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>A</sup>PBQL is Present Below Quantification Limit.

### Nutrients

Nutrients data was collected at SCDHEC monitoring station RL-08055 in 2008 and is included in the table below. See Table 2-2 for SCDHEC standards for nutrients.

TABLE 3-22 NUTRIENTS AND CHLOROPHYLL A AT SCDHEC MONITORING STATION RL-08055<sup>A</sup>

Date	Total Nitrogen (mg/L)	Total Phosphorus (mg/L)	Chlorophyll a (ug/L)
1/24/2008	0.61	0.05	-
2/28/2008	0.53	0.038	-
3/18/2008	PBQL	PBQL	-
3/25/2008	1.65	0.059	-
4/10/2008	0.41	PBQL	-
4/17/2008	0.53	0.025	-
5/22/2008	0.39	0.036	-
6/26/2008	-	0.026	7.02
7/29/2008	-	-	12.85
8/19/2008	PBQL	0.026	6.2
9/11/2008	PBQL	PBQL	5.49
10/14/2008	0.41	0.034	3.29
12/9/2008	1.24	0.043	-

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>A</sup>PBQL is Present Below Quantification Limit.

#### 3.2.3.6 Monitoring Station RL-11031

SCDHEC monitoring station RL-11031 was established for water quality monitoring in Monticello Reservoir during 2011. This monitoring station occurs in the same location as site RL-04370, approximately 1.7 miles NW of the town of Monticello. Similar to the pH data collected at site RL-04370 in 2004, pH at site RL-11031 was outside of the SCDHEC established range however these data have not yet been evaluated for potential §303(d) listing.

# Temperature, DO, pH, and Turbidity

In 2011, the pH levels at SCDHEC monitoring site RL-11031 were measured above the SCDHEC standard range (see Table 2-1). During the summer months, pH values were recorded between 8.5 and 9.5. DO and turbidity values were well within state limits at this site during 2011.

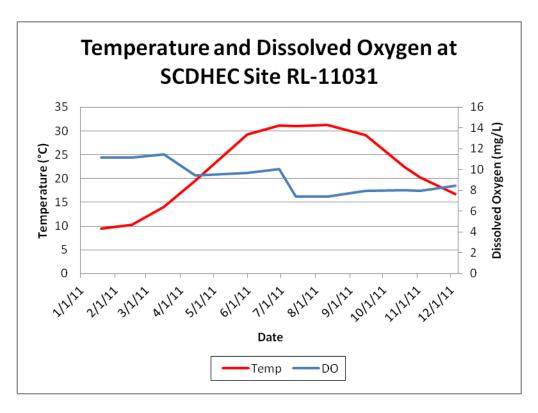


FIGURE 3-124 WATER TEMPERATURE AND DISSOLVED OXYGEN AT SCDHEC MONITORING STATION RL-11031

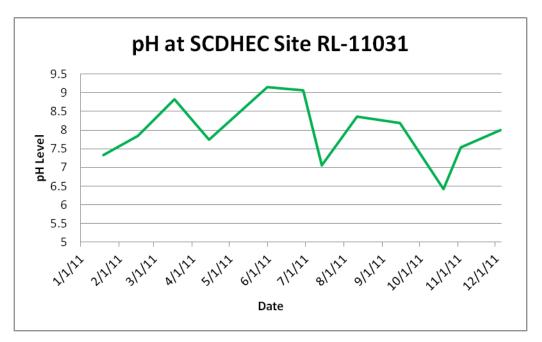


FIGURE 3-125 PH AT SCDHEC MONITORING STATION RL-11031

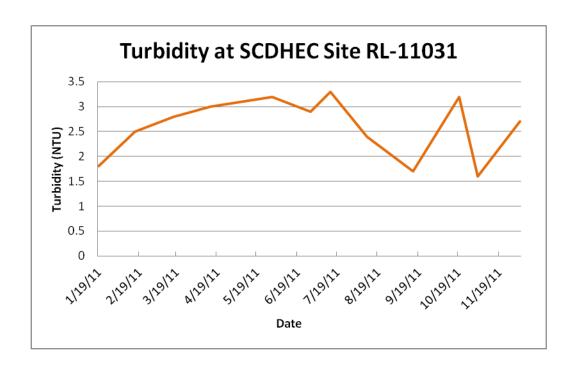


FIGURE 3-126 TURBIDITY AT SCDHEC MONITORING STATION RL-11031

Water samples from monitoring station RL-11031 were collected on a quarterly basis during 2011 and analyzed for various metals. Results of these analyses are included below. Analysis of the SCDHEC core indicator metals (Table 2-3) signify the reservoir supports aquatic life use at monitoring site RL-11031.

TABLE 3-23 METALS PRESENT AT SCDHEC MONITORING STATION RL-11031<sup>A</sup>

DATE	Cadmium (mg/L)	Chromium (mg/L)	Copper (mg/L)	Iron (mg/L)	Lead (mg/L)	Magnesium (mg/L)	Manganese (mg/L)	Mercury (mg/L)	Nickel (mg/L)	Zinc (mg/L)
1/19/11	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL	0.11		-	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL
5/31/11	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL	0.1		-	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL
7/14/11	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL	0.04	-	-	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL
11/3/11	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL	0.048		1.8	0.012	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>A</sup>PBQL is Present Below Quantification Limit.

### Nutrients

Nutrients data was collected at SCDHEC monitoring station RL-11031 in 2011 and is included in the table below. See Table 2-2 for SCDHEC standards for nutrients.

TABLE 3-24 NUTRIENTS AND CHLOROPHYLL A AT SCDHEC MONITORING STATION RL-11031<sup>A</sup>

Date	Total Nitrogen (mg/L)	Total Phosphorus (mg/L)	Chlorophyll a (ug/L)
1/19/11	PBQL	0.042	-
2/16/11	0.7	0.046	-
3/17/11	0.66	0.029	-
4/14/11	-	0.027	-
5/31/11	-	0.027	8.77
6/29/11	PBQL	0.041	-
7/14/11	PBQL	0.034	17.95
8/11/11	PBQL	0.025	8.85
9/15/11	PBQL	PBQL	7.62
10/20/11	0.43	PBQL	6.74
11/3/11	0.65	0.027	-
12/5/11	0.84	0.035	-

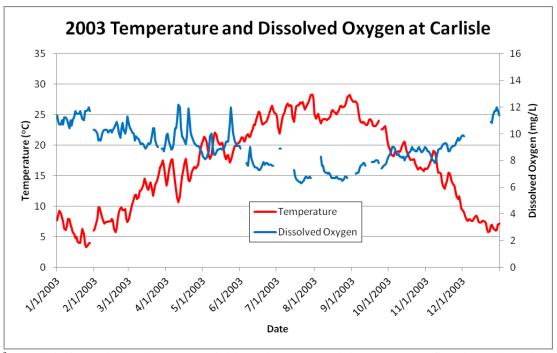
<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>A</sup>PBQL is Present Below Quantification Limit.

# 3.3 Broad River Upstream of Parr Reservoir

# 3.3.1 USGS SITE 02156500

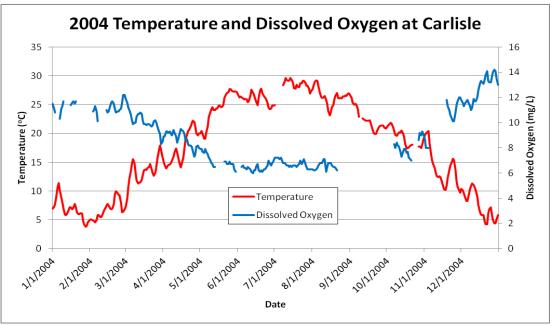
# 3.3.1.1 TEMPERATURE AND DISSOLVED OXYGEN

Water temperature at the USGS Site 02156500 ranges from approximately  $4^{\circ}$ C during the winter months to approximately  $33^{\circ}$ C during the summer. During the summer months, DO levels typically drop to around the 6-7 mg/L range.



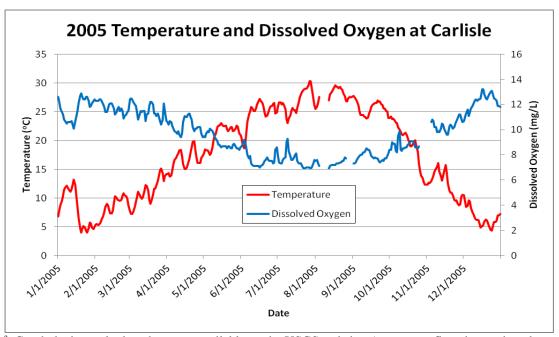
<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>a</sup> Graph depicts only data that were available on the USGS website. Any gaps reflect times when data were not collected, or not available.

FIGURE 3-127 TEMPERATURE AND DISSOLVED OXYGEN FOR 2003: UPSTREAM OF PARR RESERVOIR<sup>A</sup>



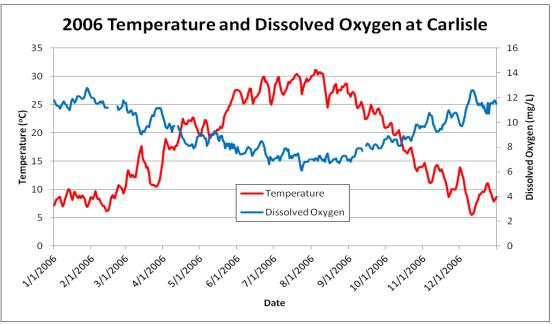
<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>a</sup> Graph depicts only data that were available on the USGS website. Any gaps reflect times when data were not collected, or not available.

FIGURE 3-128 TEMPERATURE AND DISSOLVED OXYGEN FOR 2004: UPSTREAM OF PARR RESERVOIR<sup>A</sup>



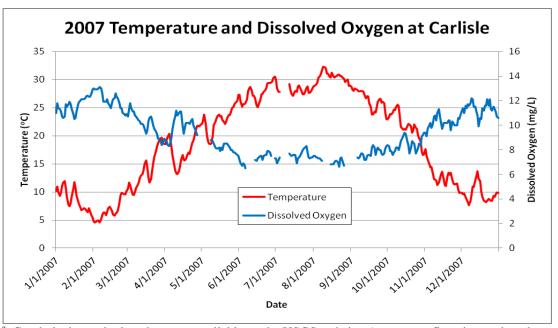
<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>a</sup> Graph depicts only data that were available on the USGS website. Any gaps reflect times when data were not collected, or not available.

FIGURE 3-129 TEMPERATURE AND DISSOLVED OXYGEN FOR 2005: UPSTREAM OF PARR RESERVOIR<sup>A</sup>



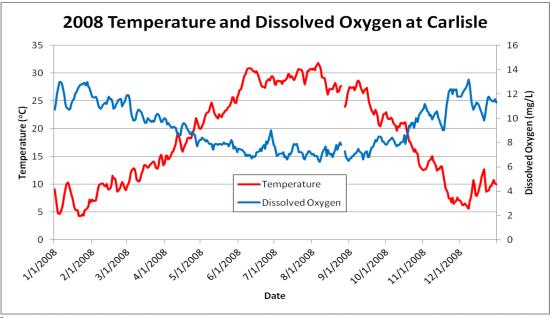
<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>a</sup> Graph depicts only data that were available on the USGS website. Any gaps reflect times when data were not collected, or not available.

FIGURE 3-130 TEMPERATURE AND DISSOLVED OXYGEN FOR 2006: UPSTREAM OF PARR RESERVOIR<sup>A</sup>



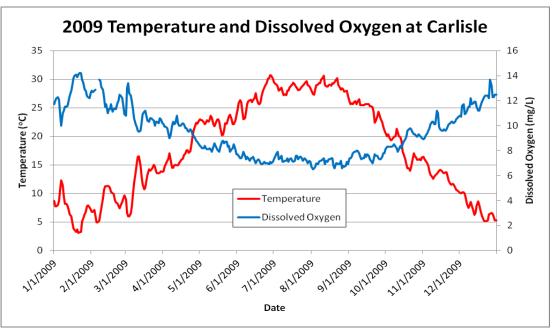
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FIGURE 3-131 TEMPERATURE AND DISSOLVED OXYGEN FOR 2007: UPSTREAM OF PARR RESERVOIR<sup>A</sup>



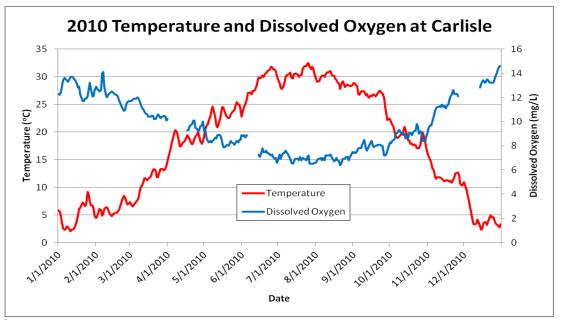
<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>a</sup> Graph depicts only data that were available on the USGS website. Any gaps reflect times when data were not collected, or not available.

FIGURE 3-132 TEMPERATURE AND DISSOLVED OXYGEN FOR 2008: UPSTREAM OF PARR RESERVOIR<sup>A</sup>



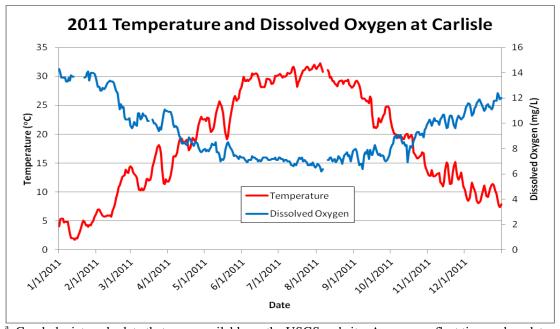
<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>a</sup> Graph depicts only data that were available on the USGS website. Any gaps reflect times when data were not collected, or not available.

FIGURE 3-133 TEMPERATURE AND DISSOLVED OXYGEN FOR 2009: UPSTREAM OF PARR RESERVOIR<sup>A</sup>



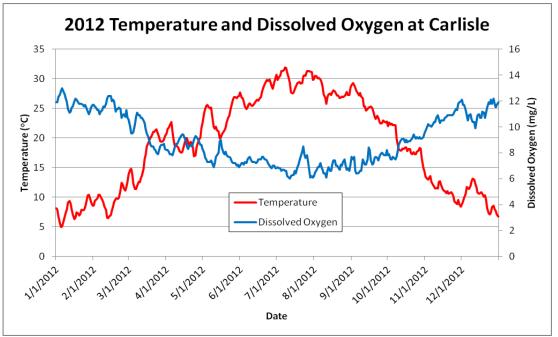
<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>a</sup> Graph depicts only data that were available on the USGS website. Any gaps reflect times when data were not collected, or not available.

FIGURE 3-134 TEMPERATURE AND DISSOLVED OXYGEN FOR 2010: UPSTREAM OF PARR RESERVOIR<sup>A</sup>



<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>a</sup> Graph depicts only data that were available on the USGS website. Any gaps reflect times when data were not collected, or not available.

FIGURE 3-135 TEMPERATURE AND DISSOLVED OXYGEN FOR 2011: UPSTREAM OF PARR RESERVOIR<sup>A</sup>

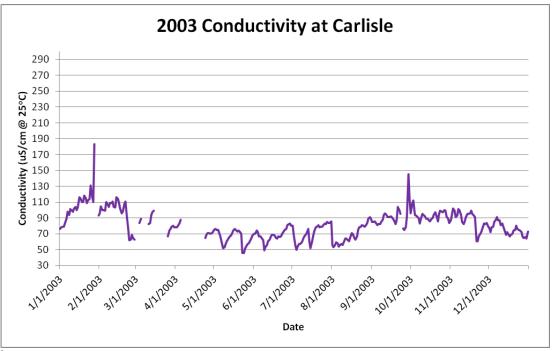


<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>a</sup> Graph depicts only data that were available on the USGS website. Any gaps reflect times when data were not collected, or not available.

FIGURE 3-136 TEMPERATURE AND DISSOLVED OXYGEN FOR 2012: UPSTREAM OF PARR RESERVOIR<sup>A</sup>

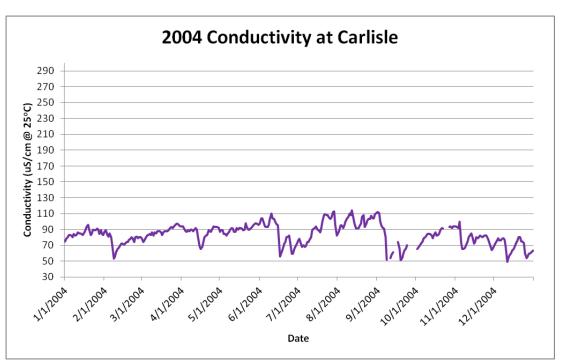
# **3.3.1.2 CONDUCTIVITY**

The conductivity measured at the USGS site 02156500 ranged from approximately 50  $\mu$ S/cm to 150  $\mu$ S/cm over the last ten years, except for 2007 and 2008 when the conductivity spiked up to 270  $\mu$ S/cm. Daily readings for conductivity from January of 2003 through December of 2012 at the USGS site located at Carlisle on the Broad River are shown in the figures below.



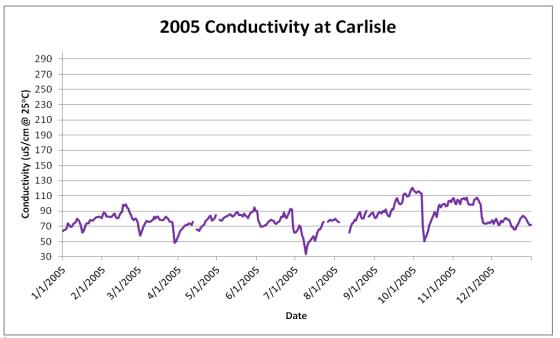
<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>a</sup> Graph depicts only data that were available on the USGS website. Any gaps reflect times when data were not collected, or not available.

FIGURE 3-137 CONDUCTIVITY FOR 2003: UPSTREAM OF PARR RESERVOIR<sup>A</sup>



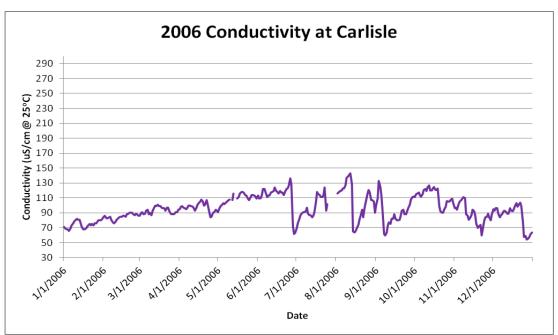
<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>a</sup> Graph depicts only data that were available on the USGS website. Any gaps reflect times when data were not collected, or not available.

FIGURE 3-138 CONDUCTIVITY FOR 2004: UPSTREAM OF PARR RESERVOIR<sup>A</sup>



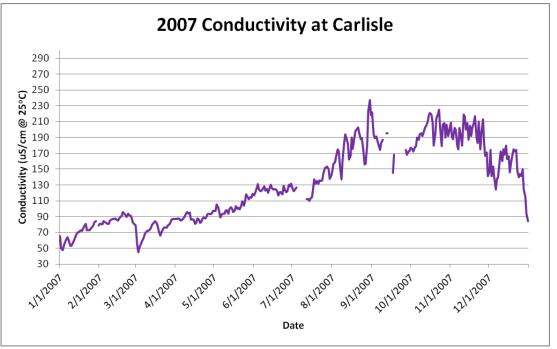
<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>a</sup> Graph depicts only data that were available on the USGS website. Any gaps reflect times when data were not collected, or not available.

FIGURE 3-139 CONDUCTIVITY FOR 2005: UPSTREAM OF PARR RESERVOIR<sup>A</sup>



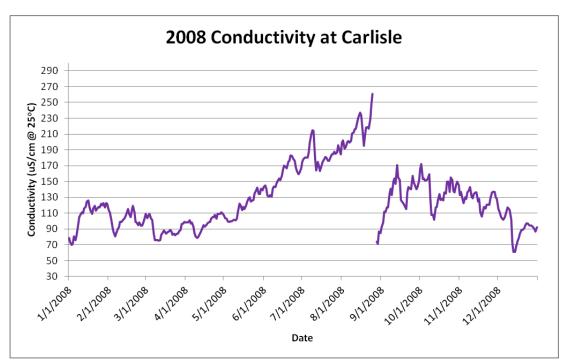
<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>a</sup> Graph depicts only data that were available on the USGS website. Any gaps reflect times when data were not collected, or not available.

FIGURE 3-140 CONDUCTIVITY FOR 2006: UPSTREAM OF PARR RESERVOIR<sup>A</sup>



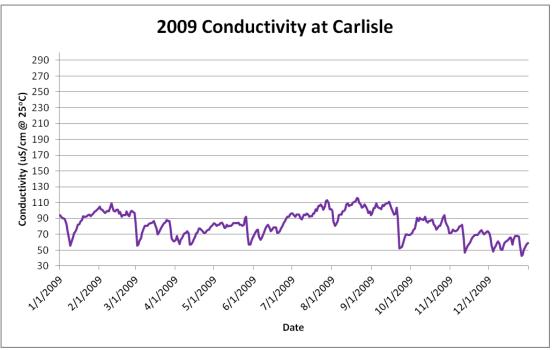
<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>a</sup> Graph depicts only data that were available on the USGS website. Any gaps reflect times when data were not collected, or not available.

FIGURE 3-141 CONDUCTIVITY FOR 2007: UPSTREAM OF PARR RESERVOIR<sup>A</sup>



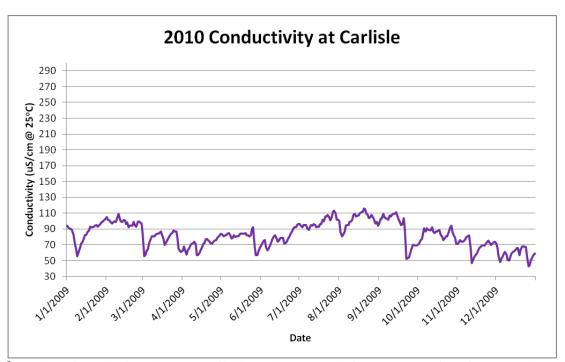
<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>a</sup> Graph depicts only data that were available on the USGS website. Any gaps reflect times when data were not collected, or not available.

FIGURE 3-142 CONDUCTIVITY FOR 2008: UPSTREAM OF PARR RESERVOIR<sup>A</sup>



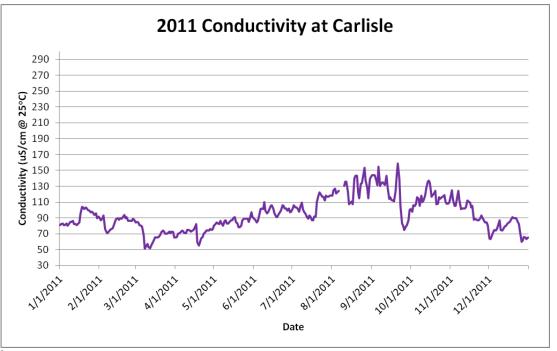
<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>a</sup> Graph depicts only data that were available on the USGS website. Any gaps reflect times when data were not collected, or not available.

FIGURE 3-143 CONDUCTIVITY FOR 2009: UPSTREAM OF PARR RESERVOIR<sup>A</sup>



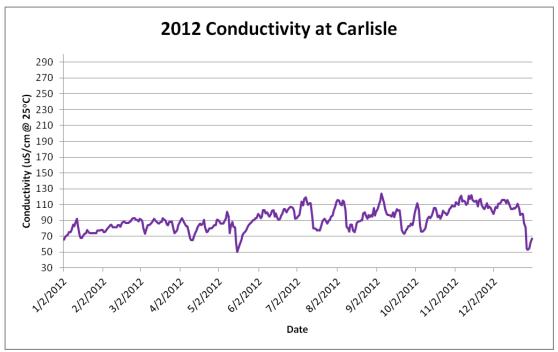
<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>a</sup> Graph depicts only data that were available on the USGS website. Any gaps reflect times when data were not collected, or not available.

FIGURE 3-144 CONDUCTIVITY FOR 2010: UPSTREAM OF PARR RESERVOIR<sup>A</sup>



<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>a</sup> Graph depicts only data that were available on the USGS website. Any gaps reflect times when data were not collected, or not available.

FIGURE 3-145 CONDUCTIVITY FOR 2011: UPSTREAM OF PARR RESERVOIR<sup>A</sup>

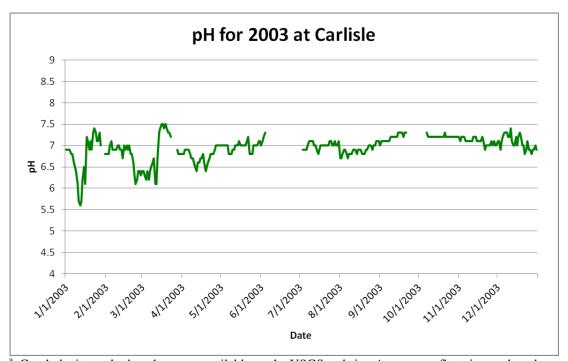


<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>a</sup> Graph depicts only data that were available on the USGS website. Any gaps reflect times when data were not collected, or not available.

FIGURE 3-146 CONDUCTIVITY FOR 2012: UPSTREAM OF PARR RESERVOIR<sup>A</sup>

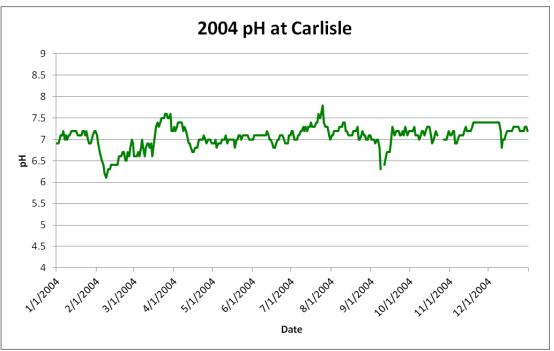
# 3.3.1.3 PH

Generally, the pH at the USGS monitoring site 02156500 is within the State Standards of 6.5 to 8.0, with few instances of a daily pH reading of below 6.5 in 2003 and 2004.



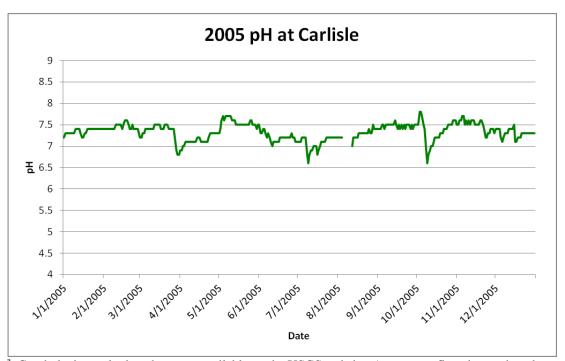
<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>a</sup> Graph depicts only data that were available on the USGS website. Any gaps reflect times when data were not collected, or not available.

FIGURE 3-147 PH FOR 2003: UPSTREAM OF PARR RESERVOIR<sup>A</sup>



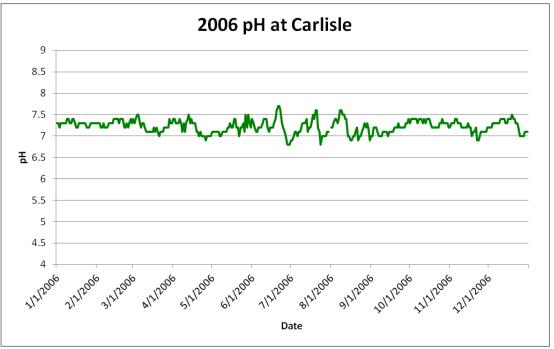
<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>a</sup> Graph depicts only data that were available on the USGS website. Any gaps reflect times when data were not collected, or not available.

FIGURE 3-148 PH FOR 2004: UPSTREAM OF PARR RESERVOIR<sup>A</sup>



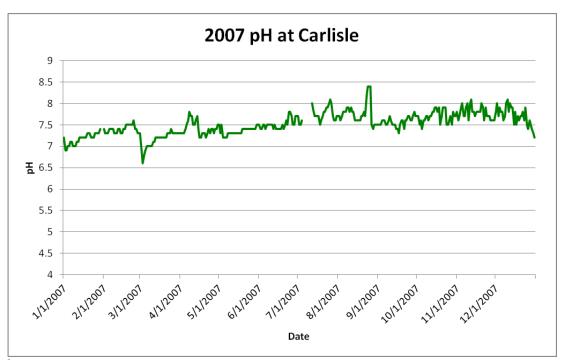
<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>a</sup> Graph depicts only data that were available on the USGS website. Any gaps reflect times when data were not collected, or not available.

FIGURE 3-149 PH FOR 2005: UPSTREAM OF PARR RESERVOIR<sup>A</sup>



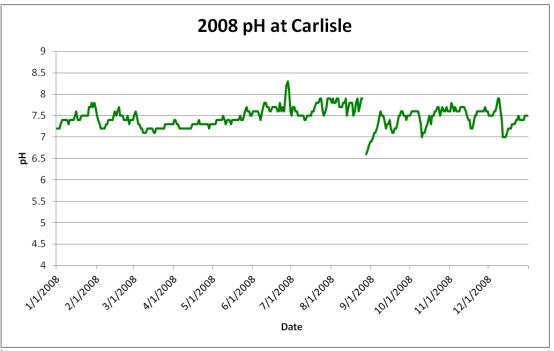
<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>a</sup> Graph depicts only data that were available on the USGS website. Any gaps reflect times when data were not collected, or not available.

FIGURE 3-150 PH FOR 2006: UPSTREAM OF PARR RESERVOIR<sup>A</sup>



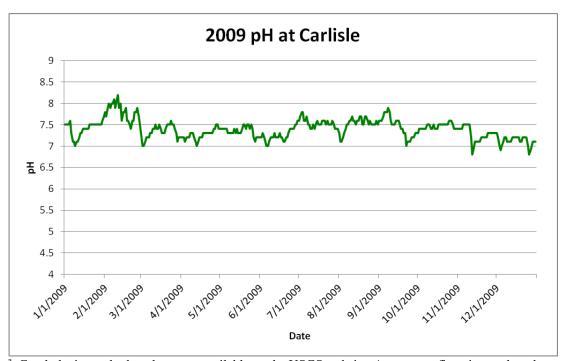
<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>a</sup> Graph depicts only data that were available on the USGS website. Any gaps reflect times when data were not collected, or not available.

FIGURE 3-151 PH FOR 2007: UPSTREAM OF PARR RESERVOIR<sup>A</sup>



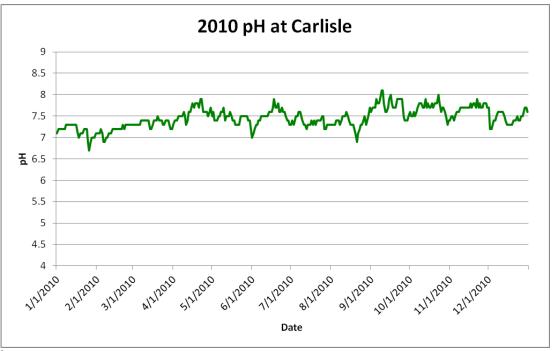
<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>a</sup> Graph depicts only data that were available on the USGS website. Any gaps reflect times when data were not collected, or not available.

FIGURE 3-152 PH FOR 2008: UPSTREAM OF PARR RESERVOIR<sup>A</sup>



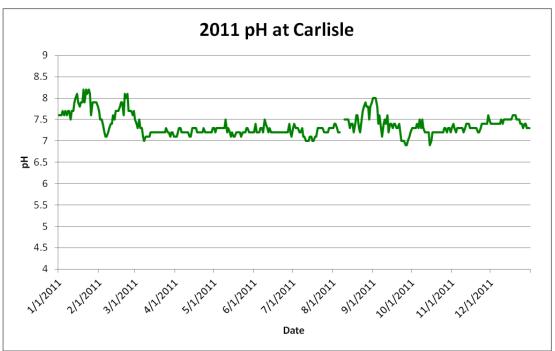
<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>a</sup> Graph depicts only data that were available on the USGS website. Any gaps reflect times when data were not collected, or not available.

FIGURE 3-153 PH FOR 2009: UPSTREAM OF PARR RESERVOIR<sup>A</sup>



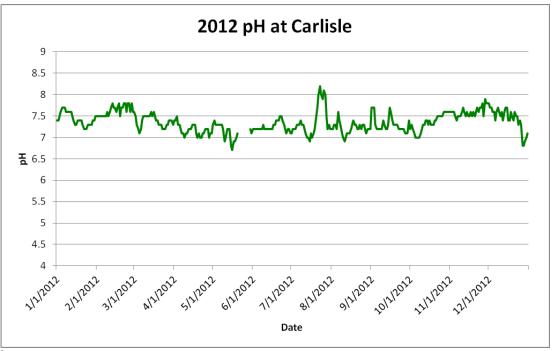
<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>a</sup> Graph depicts only data that were available on the USGS website. Any gaps reflect times when data were not collected, or not available.

FIGURE 3-154 PH FOR 2010: UPSTREAM OF PARR RESERVOIR<sup>A</sup>



<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>a</sup> Graph depicts only data that were available on the USGS website. Any gaps reflect times when data were not collected, or not available.

FIGURE 3-155 PH FOR 2011: UPSTREAM OF PARR RESERVOIR<sup>A</sup>



<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>a</sup> Graph depicts only data that were available on the USGS website. Any gaps reflect times when data were not collected, or not available.

FIGURE 3-156 PH FOR 2012: UPSTREAM OF PARR RESERVOIR<sup>A</sup>

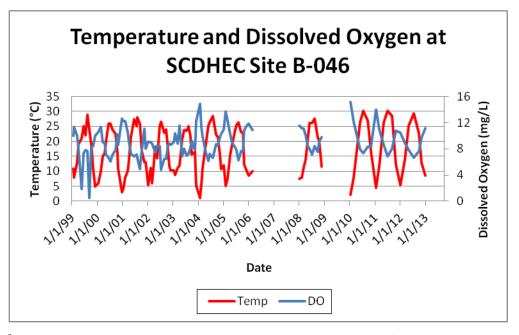
# 3.3.2 SCDHEC DATA

#### 3.3.2.1 MONITORING STATION B-046

While samples collected from SCDHEC monitoring station B-046, Broad River at SC 72/215/121 bridge 3 miles E of Carlisle, have been above the allowed limits for some of the parameters discussed below in the past, this site is currently without impairment and is not listed on the 2012 303(d) list.

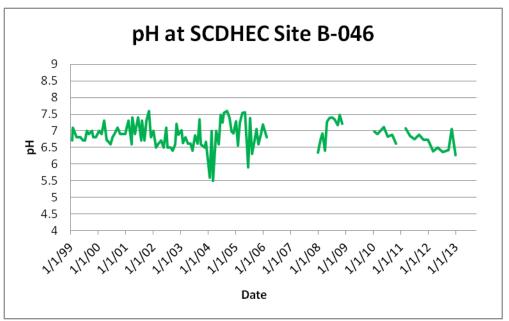
# Temperature, DO, pH, and Turbidity

The following data was collected from 1999 through 2013 at the SCDHEC monitoring station B-046, located upstream of the Parr Reservoir. See Table 2-1 for the SCDHEC water quality standards for temperature, DO, pH, and turbidity.



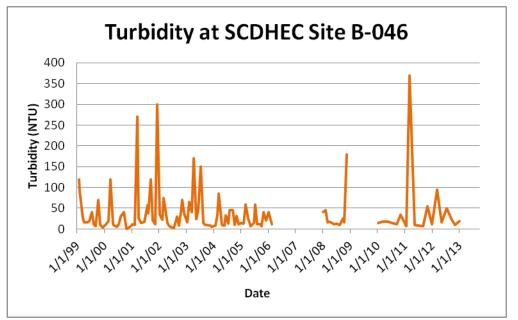
<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>a</sup> Graph depicts only data that were available on STORET. Any gaps reflect times when data were not collected, or not available.

FIGURE 3-157 WATER TEMPERATURE AND DISSOLVED OXYGEN AT SCDHEC MONITORING STATION B-046<sup>A</sup>



<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>a</sup> Graph depicts only data that were available on STORET. Any gaps reflect times when data were not collected, or not available.

FIGURE 3-158 PH AT SCDHEC MONITORING STATION B-046<sup>A</sup>



<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>a</sup> Graph depicts only data that were available on STORET. Any gaps reflect times when data were not collected, or not available.

FIGURE 3-159 TURBIDITY AT SCDHEC MONITORING STATION B-046<sup>A</sup>

#### Metals

Metals data was collected on a quarterly basis from 1999 through 2012 at SCDHEC monitoring site B-046 and is presented in the table below. As shown in Table 3-25, the SCDHEC core indicator metals (Table 2-3) have been consistently measured as Present Below Quantification Limit (PBQL) at site B-046, indicating the river supports aquatic life use.

TABLE 3-25 METALS PRESENT AT SCDHEC MONITORING STATION B-046<sup>A</sup>

DATE	Cadmium (mg/L)	Chromium (mg/L)	Copper (mg/L)	Iron (mg/L)	Lead (mg/L)	Magnesium (mg/L)	Manganese (mg/L)	Mercury (mg/L)	Nickel (mg/L)	Zinc (mg/L)
3/23/99	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL	0.99	PBQL	-	0.04	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL
6/17/99	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL	1.1	PBQL	-	0.07	PBQL	PBQL	0.02
9/7/99	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL	0.4	PBQL	-	0.09	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL
3/23/00	0.01	PBQL	PBQL	9.1	PBQL	-	0.29	PBQL	PBQL	0.03
6/15/00	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL	0.34	PBQL	-	0.1	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL
9/20/00	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL	2.3	PBQL	-	0.12	PBQL	PBQL	0.01
12/28/00	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL	1.4	PBQL	-	0.12	PBQL	PBQL	-
3/21/01	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL	11	PBQL	-	0.55	PBQL	PBQL	0.02
6/19/01	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL	1.8	PBQL	-	0.15	PBQL	PBQL	0.012
9/10/01	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL	7	PBQL	-	0.36	PBQL	PBQL	0.017
12/4/01	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL	5.2	PBQL	-	0.3	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL
3/5/02	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL	1.3	PBQL	3.1	0.13	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL
6/24/02	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL	0.39	PBQL	-	0.17	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL
9/23/02	PBQL	PBQL	0.018	0.58	PBQL	-	0.18	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL
12/3/02	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL	1	PBQL	-	0.048	PBQL	PBQL	0.046
3/11/03	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL	3.1	PBQL	3	0.082	PBQL	PBQL	0.011
6/9/03	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL	3.1	PBQL	-	0.053	PBQL	PBQL	0.011
9/15/03	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL	0.76	PBQL	-	0.14	PBQL	PBQL	0.013
12/2/03	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL	0.68	PBQL	-	0.084	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL
3/10/04	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL	2.4	PBQL	2.4	0.11	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL
6/15/04	PBQL	PBQL	0.03	1.8	PBQL	-	0.066	PBQL	PBQL	0.067
9/15/04	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL	1.6	PBQL	-	0.06	PBQL	PBQL	0.042
12/1/04	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL	0.62	PBQL	-	0.026	PBQL	PBQL	0.022
3/3/05	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL	2.7	PBQL	-	0.047	PBQL	PBQL	0.037
6/20/05	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL	0.6	PBQL	-	0.038	PBQL	PBQL	0.032
9/13/05	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL	0.64	PBQL	-	0.036	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL
12/5/05	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL	2.6	PBQL	-	0.11	PBQL	PBQL	0.018
3/3/08	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL	0.88	PBQL	1.6	0.047	PBQL	PBQL	0.014
6/2/08	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL	0.45	PBQL	1.7	0.049	PBQL	PBQL	0.012
9/24/08	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL	0.6	PBQL	-	0.1	PBQL	PBQL	0.012
3/3/10	0.0013	PBQL	PBQL	0.76	PBQL	-	0.032	PBQL	PBQL	0.032
5/27/10	0.0073	PBQL	PBQL	0.69	PBQL	-	0.037	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL
7/15/10	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL	0.58	PBQL	-	0.055	PBQL	PBQL	0.017
9/16/10	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL	0.56	PBQL	-	0.035	PBQL	PBQL	0.016
11/2/10	0.0001	PBQL	PBQL	1	PBQL	-	0.042	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL
3/7/11	0.00035	0.0099	PBQL	9.4	PBQL	-	0.58	PBQL	PBQL	0.034
5/12/11	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL	0.49	PBQL	-	0.025	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL
9/1/11	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL	0.34	PBQL	-	0.036	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL
11/2/11	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL	2.5	PBQL	-	0.099	PBQL	PBQL	0.015
3/5/12	0.00026	PBQL	PBQL	4.3	PBQL	-	0.061	PBQL	PBQL	0.01
5/7/12	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL	0.7	PBQL	-	0.057	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL
9/25/12	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL	0.48	PBQL	-	0.064	PBQL	PBQL	0.011

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>A</sup>PBQL is Present Below Quantification Limit.

# **Nutrients**

Nutrients and chlorophyll-a data was collected at SCDHEC monitoring station B-046 on a monthly basis from 1999 through 2012 and is presented in the table below. Site B-046 is located in the Broad River; the SCDHEC nutrient and chlorophyll-a standards only apply to reservoirs and therefore do not apply to this site. There are no nutrient and chlorophyll-a standards established for rivers.

TABLE 3-26 NUTRIENTS AT SCDHEC MONITORING STATION B-046<sup>A</sup>

Date	Total Nitrogen (mg/L)	Total Phosphorus (mg/L)	Date	Total Nitrogen (mg/L)	Total Phosphorus (mg/L)
1/26/99	0.88	-	1/29/04	-	0.033
2/3/99	0.93	-	2/19/04	0.62	0.052
3/23/99	0.71	-	3/10/04	-	0.042
4/6/99	0.63	-	4/21/04	0.622	0.045
5/19/99	0.59	-	5/25/04	1.03	0.058
6/17/99	0.82	-	6/15/04	1.27	0.13
7/14/99	0.64	-	7/12/04	0.89	0.088
8/10/99	0.62	-	8/2/04	0.76	0.14
9/7/99	2.52	-	9/15/04	1.05	0.099
10/13/99	0.45	-	10/11/04	0.78	0.063
11/3/99	0.34	-	11/8/04	0.63	0.064
1/20/00	PBQL	-	12/1/04	PBQL	-
2/24/00	0.99	-	1/4/05	0.69	0.042
3/23/00	0.88	-	2/3/05	0.88	0.04
4/24/00	0.52	-	3/3/05	0.77	0.063
5/9/00	0.66	-	4/5/05	0.79	0.084
6/15/00	0.67	-	5/9/05	0.57	0.051
7/13/00	0.78	-	6/20/05	0.83	0.037
8/7/00	0.73	_	7/12/05	1.04	0.059
9/20/00	0.73	-	8/8/05	0.57	0.033
10/25/00	PBQL	-	9/13/05	0.64	0.07
11/2/00	PBQL	-	10/6/05	0.92	0.057
12/28/00	0.52	-	11/1/05	0.77	0.25
1/9/01	0.63	-	12/5/05	0.82	0.09
3/21/01	1.18	-	1/4/06	0.88	0.13
5/7/01	0.89	-	1/2/08	0.63	0.089
6/19/01	-	0.18	2/22/06	-	0.045
7/30/01	0.93	0.16	1/2/08	0.63	0.31
8/8/01	-	0.14	2/4/08	0.64	0.14
9/10/01	1.74	0.25	3/3/08	0.56	0.69
10/8/01	-	0.087	4/1/08	1.01	0.11
11/13/01	PBQL	0.11	5/1/08	0.67	0.18
12/4/01	-	0.71	6/2/08	1.2	0.13
1/9/02	0.67	0.12	7/2/08	0.9	0.24
2/13/02	2.384	1.1	8/11/08	-	0.29
3/5/02	-	0.14	9/24/08	0.86	0.09
4/24/02	1.38	0.19	10/16/08	0.75	0.15
5/21/02	-	0.035	11/18/08	0.55	0.18
6/24/02	1.26	0.18	1/13/10	0.67	0.056
7/17/02	-	PBQL	3/3/10	PBQL	0.1
8/28/02	2.36	0.07	5/27/10	0.94	0.16
9/23/02	-	0.043	7/15/10	1.58	0.34
10/21/02	1.25	0.088	9/16/10	1.3	0.46
11/7/02	-	0.12	11/2/10	1.13	0.16
12/3/02	0.78	0.045	1/18/11	PBQL	0.12
1/15/03	-	0.036	3/7/11	0.93	0.5
2/5/03	1.03	0.079	5/12/11	-	0.32
3/11/03	-	0.078	7/6/11	0.54	0.31
4/8/03	1.2	0.2	9/1/11	1.25	0.28
5/12/03	-	0.04	11/2/11	1.17	0.37
6/9/03	0.98	0.068	1/3/12	0.71	0.29
7/14/03	-	0.098	3/5/12	0.99	0.28
8/19/03	0.91	0.041	5/7/12	0.96	0.12
9/15/03	-	0.04	7/17/12	0.79	0.41
10/2/03	0.87	0.044	9/25/12	0.57	0.12
11/19/03	-	0.072	11/7/12	0.8	0.24
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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>A</sup>PBQL is Present Below Quantification Limit.

# 3.3.3 TURBIDITY DATA CONTRIBUTED BY SCDNR

The turbidity data displayed below was collected by SCDNR near USGS gage 02156500 as part of an ongoing four-year study entitled "Developing sediment management guidelines to enhance habitat and aquatic resources in the Broad River Basin, South Carolina."

TABLE 3-27 TURBIDITY OF BROAD RIVER AT USGS GAGE 02156500

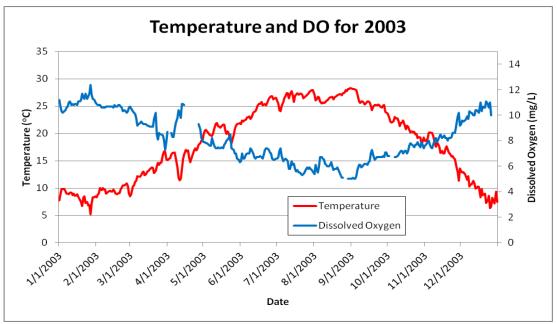
Date	Turbidity (NTU)
6/6/2012	
6/20/2012	1.54
7/6/2012	6.93
7/12/2012	21.38
7/27/2012	6.32
8/7/2012	10.34
8/14/2012	26.30
8/20/2012	15.80
8/28/2012	14.80
9/7/2012	16.25
9/21/2012	17.85
10/10/2012	13.58
10/23/2012	7.24
11/14/2012	5.24
12/18/2012	8.17
1/24/2013	
2/1/2013	115.00
2/8/2013	12.68
2/19/2013	10.53
2/27/2013	102.70
3/5/2013	10.82
3/13/2013	28.85
3/25/2013	26.31
4/4/2013	7.11
4/19/2013	5.65
4/29/2013	109.30
5/1/2013	58.81
5/6/2013	119.25
5/8/2013	94.13
5/24/2013	46.58
6/4/2013	11.79
6/11/2013	53.34
6/19/2013	20.00
7/5/2013	130.00
7/9/2013	62.03
7/16/2013	83.83
7/24/2013	78.53
8/1/2013	30.11
8/7/2013	49.90
8/8/2013	27.48
8/20/2013	13.88
8/29/2013	9.19

# 3.4 Broad River Downstream of Parr Shoals Dam

# 3.4.1 USGS SITE 02160991

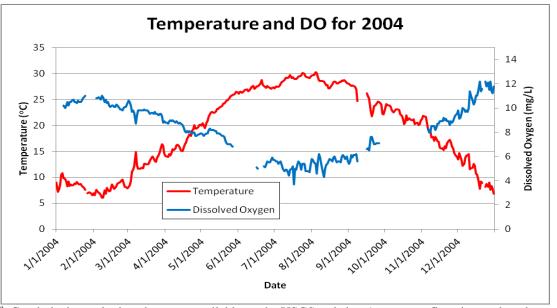
#### 3.4.1.1 TEMPERATURE AND DISSOLVED OXYGEN

Water temperature at the USGS Site 02160991 ranges from approximately 5°C during the winter months to approximately 31°C during the summer. During the summer months, DO levels typically drop between the 5-6 mg/L range with very few instances of a DO level of 4 mg/L.



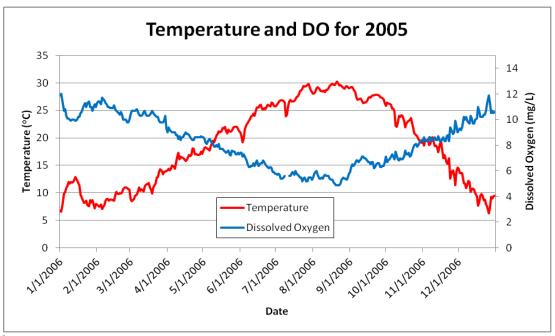
<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>a</sup> Graph depicts only data that were available on the USGS website. Any gaps reflect times when data were not collected, or not available.

FIGURE 3-160 TEMPERATURE AND DISSOLVED OXYGEN FOR 2003 : DOWNSTREAM OF PARR RESERVOIR<sup>A</sup>



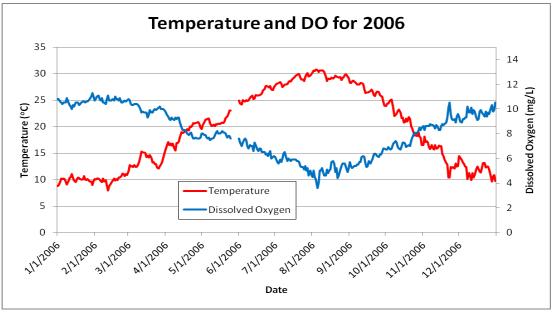
<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>a</sup> Graph depicts only data that were available on the USGS website. Any gaps reflect times when data were not collected, or not available.

FIGURE 3-161 TEMPERATURE AND DISSOLVED OXYGEN FOR 2004: DOWNSTREAM OF PARR RESERVOIR<sup>A</sup>



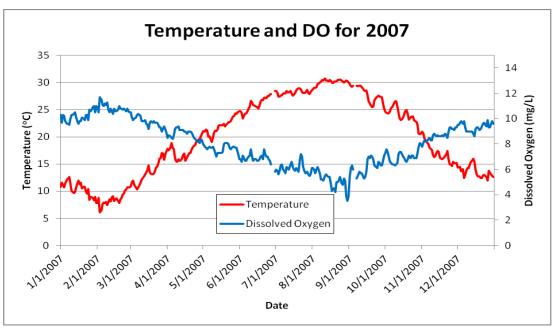
<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>a</sup> Graph depicts only data that were available on the USGS website. Any gaps reflect times when data were not collected, or not available.

FIGURE 3-162 TEMPERATURE AND DISSOLVED OXYGEN FOR 2005: DOWNSTREAM OF PARR RESERVOIR<sup>A</sup>



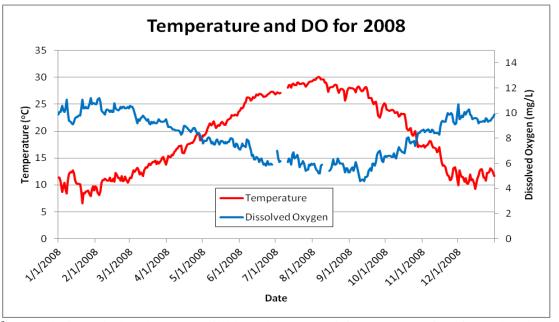
<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>a</sup> Graph depicts only data that were available on the USGS website. Any gaps reflect times when data were not collected, or not available.

FIGURE 3-163 TEMPERATURE AND DISSOLVED OXYGEN FOR 2006: DOWNSTREAM OF PARR RESERVOIR<sup>A</sup>



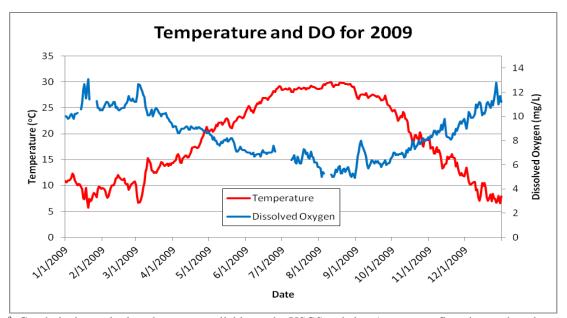
<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>a</sup> Graph depicts only data that were available on the USGS website. Any gaps reflect times when data were not collected, or not available.

FIGURE 3-164 TEMPERATURE AND DISSOLVED OXYGEN FOR 2007: DOWNSTREAM OF PARR RESERVOIR<sup>A</sup>



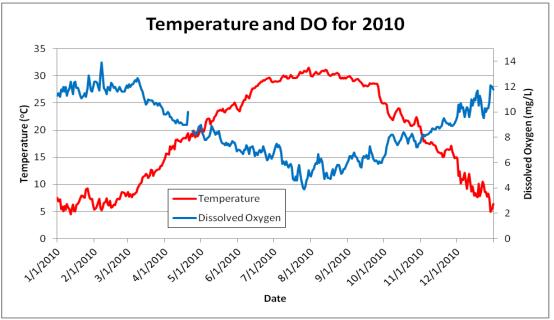
<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>a</sup> Graph depicts only data that were available on the USGS website. Any gaps reflect times when data were not collected, or not available.

FIGURE 3-165 TEMPERATURE AND DISSOLVED OXYGEN FOR 2008: DOWNSTREAM OF PARR RESERVOIR<sup>A</sup>



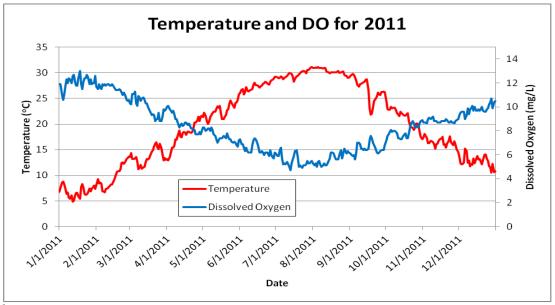
<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>a</sup> Graph depicts only data that were available on the USGS website. Any gaps reflect times when data were not collected, or not available.

FIGURE 3-166 TEMPERATURE AND DISSOLVED OXYGEN FOR 2009: DOWNSTREAM OF PARR RESERVOIR<sup>A</sup>



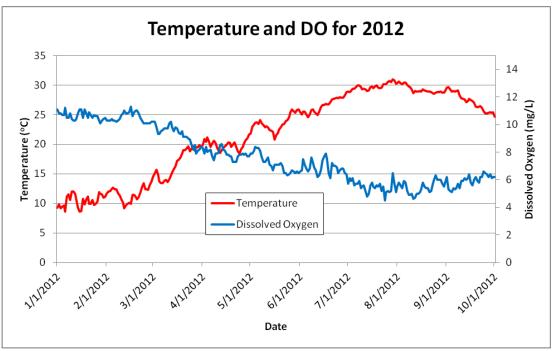
<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>a</sup> Graph depicts only data that were available on the USGS website. Any gaps reflect times when data were not collected, or not available.

FIGURE 3-167 TEMPERATURE AND DISSOLVED OXYGEN FOR 2010: DOWNSTREAM OF PARR RESERVOIR<sup>A</sup>



<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>a</sup> Graph depicts only data that were available on the USGS website. Any gaps reflect times when data were not collected, or not available.

FIGURE 3-168 TEMPERATURE AND DISSOLVED OXYGEN FOR 2011: DOWNSTREAM OF PARR RESERVOIR<sup>A</sup>

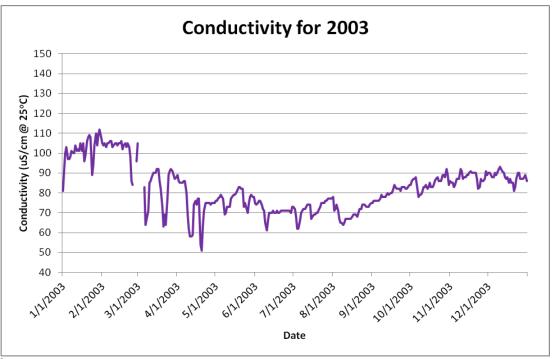


<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>a</sup> Graph depicts only data that were available on the USGS website. Any gaps reflect times when data were not collected, or not available.

FIGURE 3-169 TEMPERATURE AND DISSOLVED OXYGEN FOR 2012: DOWNSTREAM OF PARR RESERVOIR<sup>A</sup>

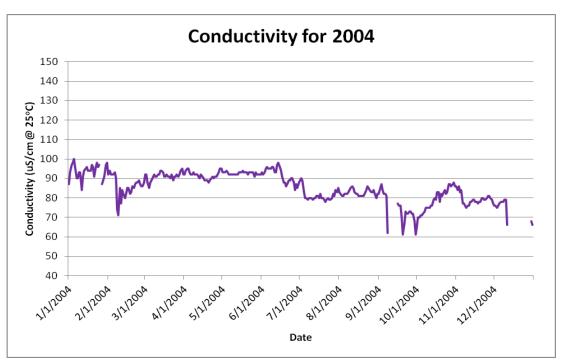
# **3.4.1.2 CONDUCTIVITY**

The conductivity measured at the USGS site 02160991 ranged from approximately 45  $\mu$ S/cm to 145  $\mu$ S/cm over the last ten years. Daily readings for conductivity from January of 2003 through September of 2012 at the USGS site located immediately below the Parr Shoals Dam in the Broad River are shown in the figures below.



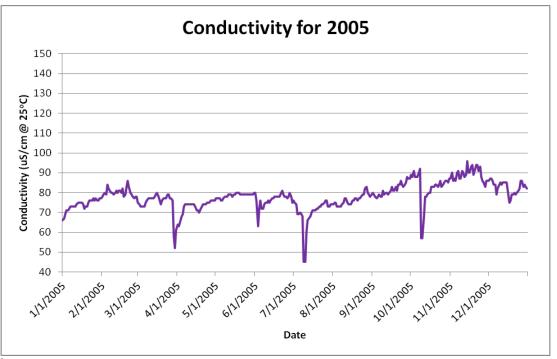
<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>a</sup> Graph depicts only data that were available on the USGS website. Any gaps reflect times when data were not collected, or not available.

FIGURE 3-170 CONDUCTIVITY FOR 2003: DOWNSTREAM OF PARR RESERVOIR<sup>A</sup>



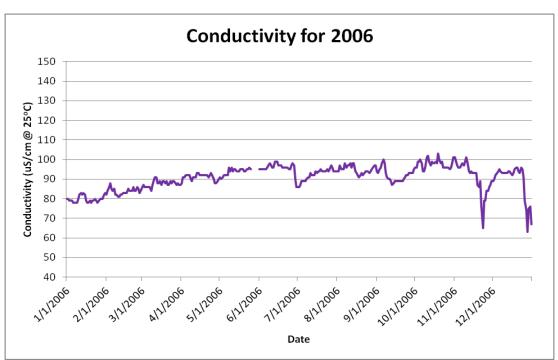
<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>a</sup> Graph depicts only data that were available on the USGS website. Any gaps reflect times when data were not collected, or not available.

FIGURE 3-171 CONDUCTIVITY FOR 2004: DOWNSTREAM OF PARR RESERVOIR<sup>A</sup>



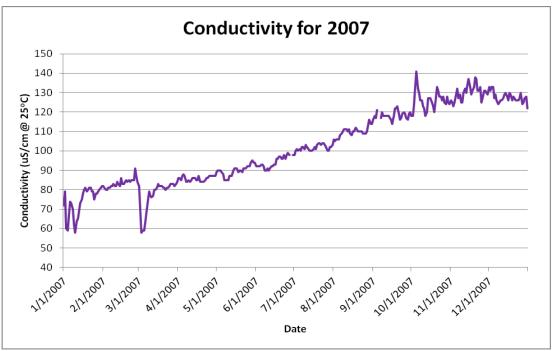
<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>a</sup> Graph depicts only data that were available on the USGS website. Any gaps reflect times when data were not collected, or not available.

FIGURE 3-172 CONDUCTIVITY FOR 2005: DOWNSTREAM OF PARR RESERVOIR<sup>A</sup>



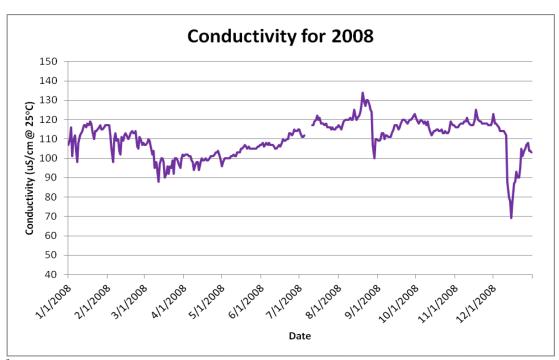
<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>a</sup> Graph depicts only data that were available on the USGS website. Any gaps reflect times when data were not collected, or not available.

FIGURE 3-173 CONDUCTIVITY FOR 2006: DOWNSTREAM OF PARR RESERVOIR<sup>A</sup>



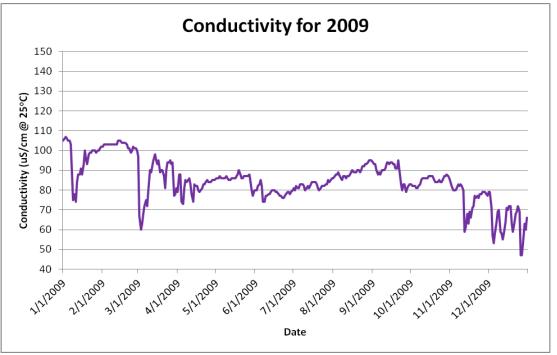
<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>a</sup> Graph depicts only data that were available on the USGS website. Any gaps reflect times when data were not collected, or not available.

FIGURE 3-174 CONDUCTIVITY FOR 2007: DOWNSTREAM OF PARR RESERVOIR<sup>A</sup>



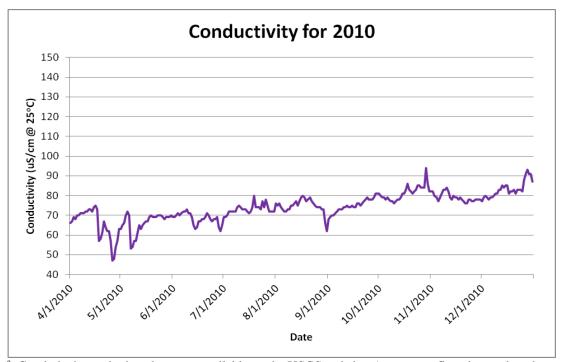
<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>a</sup> Graph depicts only data that were available on the USGS website. Any gaps reflect times when data were not collected, or not available.

FIGURE 3-175 CONDUCTIVITY FOR 2008: DOWNSTREAM OF PARR RESERVOIR<sup>A</sup>



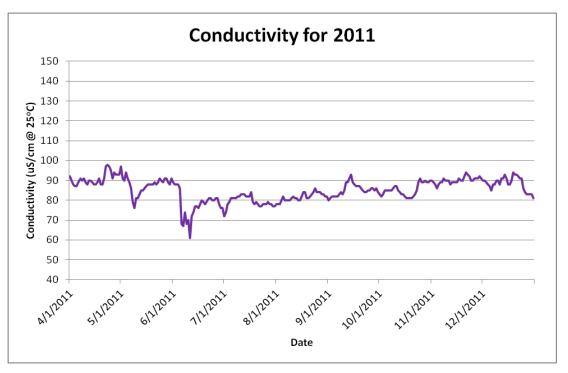
<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>a</sup> Graph depicts only data that were available on the USGS website. Any gaps reflect times when data were not collected, or not available.

FIGURE 3-176 CONDUCTIVITY FOR 2009: DOWNSTREAM OF PARR RESERVOIR<sup>A</sup>



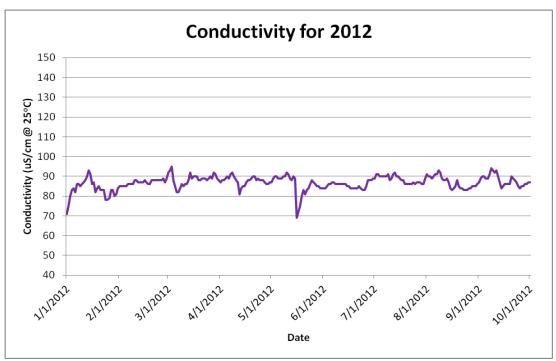
<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>a</sup> Graph depicts only data that were available on the USGS website. Any gaps reflect times when data were not collected, or not available.

FIGURE 3-177 CONDUCTIVITY FOR 2010: DOWNSTREAM OF PARR RESERVOIR<sup>A</sup>



<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>a</sup> Graph depicts only data that were available on the USGS website. Any gaps reflect times when data were not collected, or not available.

FIGURE 3-178 CONDUCTIVITY FOR 2011: DOWNSTREAM OF PARR RESERVOIR<sup>A</sup>

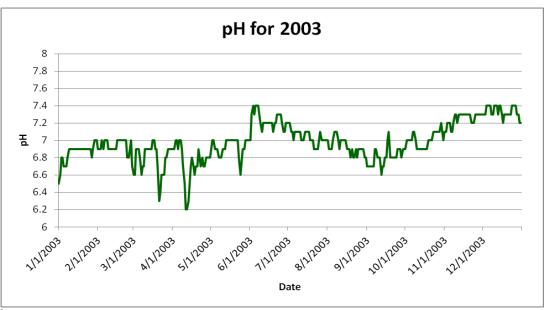


<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>a</sup> Graph depicts only data that were available on the USGS website. Any gaps reflect times when data were not collected, or not available.

FIGURE 3-179 CONDUCTIVITY FOR 2012: DOWNSTREAM OF PARR RESERVOIR<sup>A</sup>

# 3.4.1.3 PH

Overall, the pH at the USGS monitoring site 02160991 is within the State Standards of 6.5 to 8.0, with few instances of a daily pH reading of below 6.5 in 2003, 2004 and 2007.



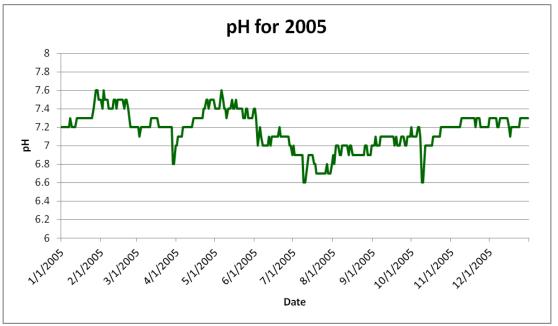
<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>a</sup> Graph depicts only data that were available on the USGS website. Any gaps reflect times when data were not collected, or not available.

FIGURE 3-180 PH FOR 2003: DOWNSTREAM OF PARR RESERVOIR<sup>A</sup>



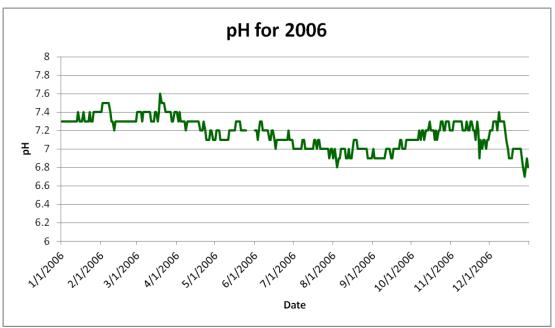
<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>a</sup> Graph depicts only data that were available on the USGS website. Any gaps reflect times when data were not collected, or not available.

FIGURE 3-181 PH FOR 2004: DOWNSTREAM OF PARR RESERVOIR<sup>A</sup>



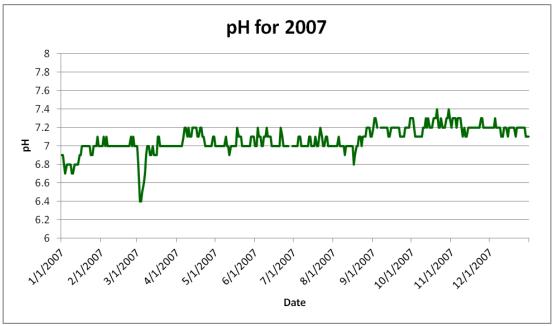
<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>a</sup> Graph depicts only data that were available on the USGS website. Any gaps reflect times when data were not collected, or not available.

FIGURE 3-182 PH FOR 2005: DOWNSTREAM OF PARR RESERVOIR<sup>A</sup>



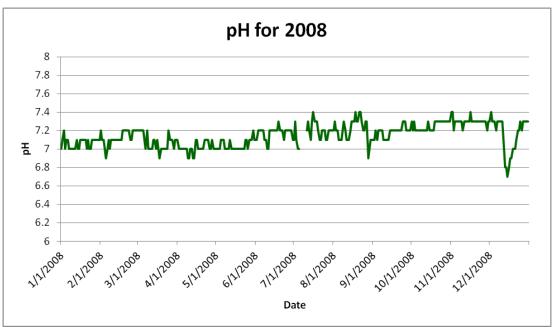
<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>a</sup> Graph depicts only data that were available on the USGS website. Any gaps reflect times when data were not collected, or not available.

FIGURE 3-183 PH FOR 2006: DOWNSTREAM OF PARR RESERVOIR<sup>A</sup>



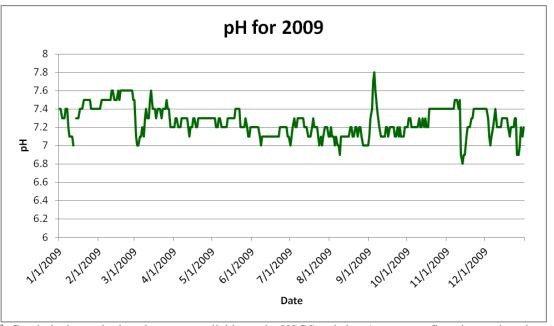
<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>a</sup> Graph depicts only data that were available on the USGS website. Any gaps reflect times when data were not collected, or not available.

FIGURE 3-184 PH FOR 2007: DOWNSTREAM OF PARR RESERVOIR<sup>A</sup>



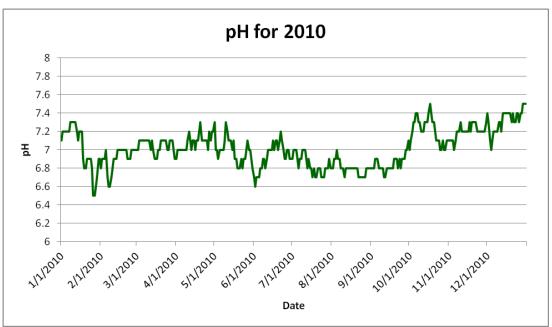
<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>a</sup> Graph depicts only data that were available on the USGS website. Any gaps reflect times when data were not collected, or not available.

FIGURE 3-185 PH FOR 2008: DOWNSTREAM OF PARR RESERVOIR<sup>A</sup>



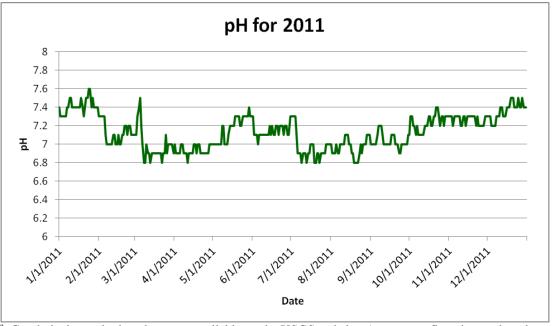
<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>a</sup> Graph depicts only data that were available on the USGS website. Any gaps reflect times when data were not collected, or not available.

FIGURE 3-186 PH FOR 2009: DOWNSTREAM OF PARR RESERVOIR<sup>A</sup>



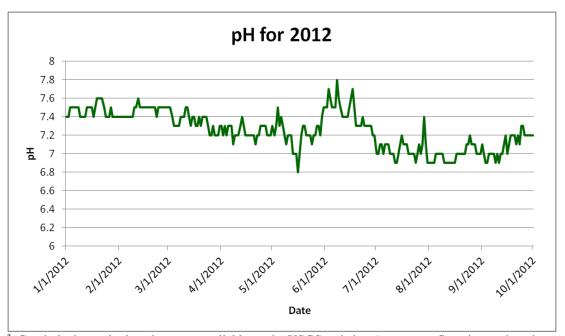
<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>a</sup> Graph depicts only data that were available on the USGS website. Any gaps reflect times when data were not collected, or not available.

FIGURE 3-187 PH FOR 2010: DOWNSTREAM OF PARR RESERVOIR<sup>A</sup>



<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>a</sup> Graph depicts only data that were available on the USGS website. Any gaps reflect times when data were not collected, or not available.

FIGURE 3-188 PH FOR 2011: DOWNSTREAM OF PARR RESERVOIR<sup>A</sup>



<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>a</sup> Graph depicts only data that were available on the USGS website. Any gaps reflect times when data were not collected, or not available.

FIGURE 3-189 PH FOR 2012: DOWNSTREAM OF PARR RESERVOIR<sup>A</sup>

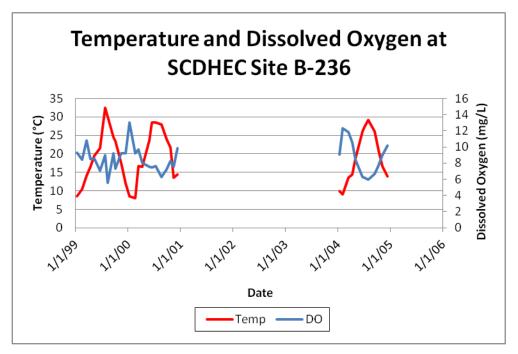
#### 3.4.2 SCDHEC DATA

#### 3.4.2.1 MONITORING STATION B-236

SCDHEC monitoring station B-236, Broad River at the Southern Railroad trestle, approximately 0.5 miles downstream of SC 213, was monitored on a monthly basis during 1999, 2000 and 2004. This site was added to the 303(d) list for a copper excursion in 2004. All other data is within SCDHEC's acceptable limits.

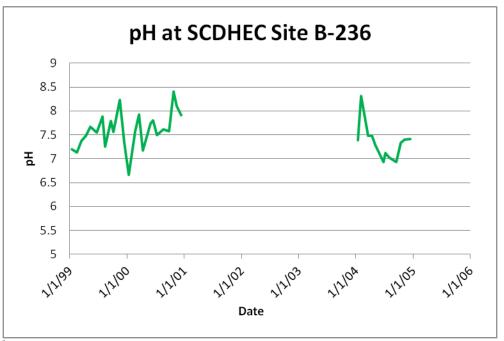
#### Temperature, DO, pH, and Turbidity

The following data was collected in 1999, 2000 and 2004 at the SCDHEC monitoring station B-236 located below Parr Shoals Dam. See Table 2-1 for the SCDHEC water quality standards for temperature, DO, pH, and turbidity.



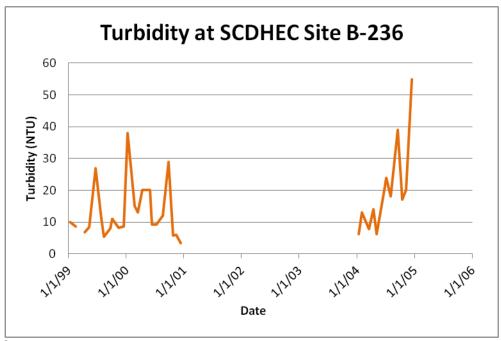
<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>a</sup> Graph depicts only data that were available on STORET. Any gaps reflect times when data were not collected, or not available.

FIGURE 3-190 WATER TEMPERATURE AND DISSOLVED OXYGEN AT SCDHEC MONITORING STATION B-236<sup>A</sup>



<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>a</sup> Graph depicts only data that were available on STORET. Any gaps reflect times when data were not collected, or not available.

FIGURE 3-191 PH AT SCDHEC MONITORING STATION B-236<sup>A</sup>



<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>a</sup> Graph depicts only data that were available on STORET. Any gaps reflect times when data were not collected, or not available.

FIGURE 3-192 TURBIDITY AT SCDHEC MONITORING STATION B-236<sup>A</sup>

#### Metals

Water samples collected at SCDHEC monitoring station B-236 were analyzed for a variety of metals. In 2004, this site was listed on the 303(d) list for a copper excursion. As shown in Table 3-28, most of the SCDHEC core indicator metals (Table 2-3) were regularly measured as Present Below Quantification Limit (PBQL) at site B-236, indicating the river supports aquatic life use.

TABLE 3-28 METALS PRESENT AT SCDHEC MONITORING STATION B-236<sup>A</sup>

DATE	Cadmium (mg/L)	Chromium (mg/L)	Copper (mg/L)	Iron (mg/L)	Lead (mg/L)	Magnesium (mg/L)	Manganese (mg/L)	Mercury (mg/L)	Nickel (mg/L)	Zinc (mg/L)
2/17/99	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL	0.7	PBQL	-	0.036	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL
5/11/99	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL	0.8	PBQL	-	0.04	PBQL	PBQL	0.02
8/16/99	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL	0.27	PBQL	-	0.07	PBQL	PBQL	0.01
11/16/99	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL	0.31	PBQL	-	0.02	PBQL	PBQL	0.04
2/23/00	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL	0.94	PBQL	-	0.04	PBQL	PBQL	0.01
5/31/00	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL	0.8	PBQL	-	0.06	PBQL	PBQL	0.03
8/22/00	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL	0.54	PBQL	-	0.05	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL
11/16/00	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL	0.49	PBQL		0.03	PBQL	PBQL	0.04
2/4/04	0.018	0.017	0.018	0.62	PBQL	1.8	0.047	PBQL	PBQL	0.014
5/4/04	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL	0.3	PBQL		0.029	PBQL	PBQL	0.031
8/2/04	PBQL	0.33	0.039	1.3	PBQL	-	0.079	PBQL	0.15	0.014
11/9/04	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL	0.91	PBQL	-	0.035	PBQL	PBQL	PBQL

A PBQL is Present Below Quantification Limit.

#### Nutrients

Nutrients data was collected at SCDHEC monitoring station B-236 in 1999, 2000, and 2004 and is included in the table below. Site B-236 is located in the Broad River; the SCDHEC nutrient and chlorophyll-a standards only apply to reservoirs and therefore do not apply to this site. There are no nutrient and chlorophyll-a standards established for rivers.

Table 3-29 Nutrients and Chlorophyll A at SCDHEC Monitoring Station B-  $236^{\rm A}$ 

Date	Total Nitrogen (mg/L)	Total Phosphorus (mg/L)
1/13/99	1.12	-
2/17/99	PBQL	-
3/18/99	0.7	-
4/15/99	1.25	-
5/11/99	0.68	-
6/22/99	0.96	-
7/29/99	0.71	-
8/16/99	0.64	-
9/22/99	0.38	-
10/5/99	PBQL	-
11/16/99	0.48	-
12/16/99	0.51	-
1/12/00	0.75	-
2/23/00	0.56	-
3/16/00	0.59	-
4/13/00	0.72	-
5/31/00	0.71	-
6/15/00	0.73	-
7/12/00	0.65	-
8/22/00	0.5	-
9/28/00	0.69	-
10/26/00	0.52	-
11/16/00	0.57	-
12/12/00	0.57	0.03
1/13/04	1.31	0.026
3/18/04	0.78	0.022
4/14/04	0.58	0.041
5/4/04	0.88	0.038
6/24/04	1.01	0.069
7/7/04	0.71	0.07
8/2/04	0.7	0.046
9/16/04	0.7	0.055
10/14/04	1.15	0.046
11/9/04	0.82	0.059
12/13/04	0.82	0.08

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>A</sup>PBQL is Present Below Quantification Limit.

# 3.4.3 DATA CONTRIBUTED BY SCDNR

The data included below were collected and submitted by SCDNR. It should be noted that this data is unpublished.

Data collection sites include three different reaches of the Broad River, downstream of the Parr Shoals Dam. The data coincides with that collected at the USGS gage 02160991, and appears to be typical for this area of the Broad River.

TABLE 3-30 WATER QUALITY DATA FROM REACH 1 OF THE BROAD RIVER

Date	Discharge cfs	Temperature (°C)	DO (mg/L)	Conductivity (µS/cm)	рН	Turbidity (NTU)	Salinity (ppt)
8/25/2009	788	27.9	4.47	90.8	7.16	2.57	0
10/22/2009	1812	18.6	6.8	79	7.5	5.77	0
5/12/2010	2535	21.9	8.29	71.6	6.28	8.85	0
8/12/2010	838	32.4	4.64	61.8	7.97	4.44	0
11/2/2010	1507	18.1	5.81	88.3	7.3	18.2	0
4/21/2011	4650	17.9	7.1	78.1	na	8.53	0
8/10/2011	548	29.6	6.33	83	7.44	4.18	0
11/22/2011	2120	17.3	7.02	95.8	na	14.9	0
4/3/2012	2460	20.3	5.3	84.5	6.2	NA	0
8/27/2012	1150	26.5	3.4	89.7	7.38	4.36	0
4/18/2013	3920	20.8	5.04	75.5	-	17.9	0

TABLE 3-31 WATER QUALITY DATA FROM REACH 2A OF THE BROAD RIVER

Date	Discharge cfs	Temperature (°C)	DO (mg/L)	Conductivity (µS/cm)	рН	Turbidity (NTU)	Salinity (ppt)
8/20/2009	807	32	4.89	92.2	7.27	7.87	0
10/23/2009	1510	18.6	6.8	79	7.5	5.77	0
5/13/2010	2992	22.3	6.9	72	6.07	7.89	0
11/3/2010	1610	18	5.95	90.5	7.4	21.3	0
5/9/2011	3520	21.8	7.22	79.7	7.63	-	0
8/4/2011	670	32.3	9.9	80.8	7.86	3.48	0
10/26/2011	850	19.8	7.05	93.7	NA	21.9	0
4/27/2012	1720	20	6.55	79.7	7.37	NA	3
7/5/2012	813	33.5	5.26	83.8	7.8	4.09	0
11/29/2012	1020	12.9	8.02	95.1	6.73	5.97	0
4/23/2013	3430	18.8	6.17	83.1	6.98	7.92	0

TABLE 3-32 WATER QUALITY DATA FROM REACH 2B OF THE BROAD RIVER

Date	Discharge cfs	Temperature (°C)	DO (mg/L)	Conductivity (µS/cm)	рН	Turbidity (NTU)	Salinity (ppt)
8/12/2009	791	29.7	5.91	88.1	7.07	-	0
10/9/2009	1551	23.1	6.25	86.3	7.19	14.8	0
4/26/2010	4605	20.4	10.9	76.2	7.3	5.64	0
8/10/2010	825	30.6	5.9	76	7.26	14.7	0
8/27/2010	860	30.3	6.08	75.2	7.83	10.91	0
11/1/2010	1635	18.8	7.16	91	7.77	4.42	0
5/6/2011	3480	19.3	7.92	78.4	7.13	8.65	0
7/14/2011	788	29.5	6.72	81.3	6.67	3.88	0
10/20/2011	863	18.1	NA	94.1	7.93	7.22	0
4/4/2012	2910	20.9	6.98	96.5	6.62	NA	0
7/30/2012	830	31.1	9.02	85.6	7.01	3.67	0
10/9/2012	1570	20.1	7.88	85.1	6.78	3.37	0
4/25/2013	4440	19.4	5.95	80.7	7.07	10.24	0

#### 3.5 COMPARING UPSTREAM AND DOWNSTREAM OF PARR RESERVOIR

Monthly temperature, DO, and pH data was collected in 2004 by SCDHEC at four monitoring stations located above, within, and below the Project. This data is displayed below. Site B-046 is located upstream of Parr Reservoir, downstream of Neal Shoals Dam. Site B-345 is located in Parr Reservoir, upstream of Parr Shoals Dam. Site B-327 is located within Monticello Reservoir. Site B-236 is located downstream of Parr Shoals Dam. While temperatures at all four sites are very similar, generally temperatures at site B-046 and B-236 are slightly lower during the summer months than at the other sites. This is trend is not unexpected as these sites are located in flowing sections the Broad River versus sites B-235 and B-327, which are located in reservoirs. As with temperature, the DO values at all four sites are very similar. The site located just upstream of the Parr Shoals Dam, B-345, dipped to a low point of approximately 4.5 mg/L in July, but rebounded in August. The pH values at the four sites varies slightly over the course of the year, with site B-327 reaching a high of approximately 8.7 in May. Overall all four sites follow the same general trends for the three parameters examined.

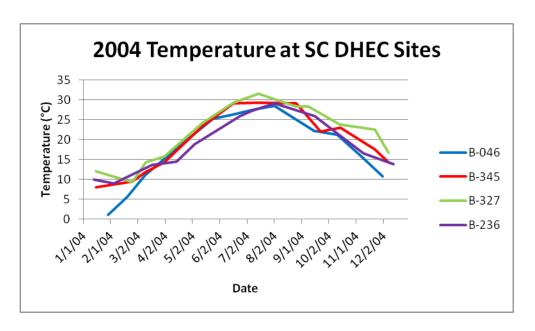


FIGURE 3-193 2004 WATER TEMPERATURE DATA AT SCDHEC MONITORING STATIONS B-046, B-345, B-327 AND B-236

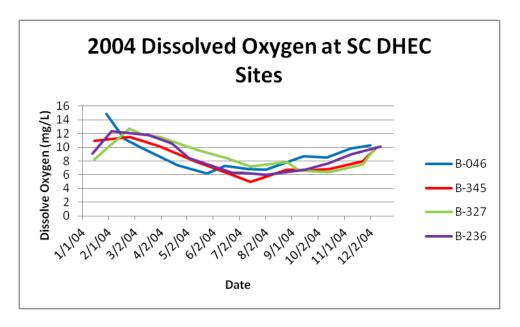


FIGURE 3-194 2004 DISSOLVED OXYGEN DATA AT SCDHEC MONITORING STATIONS B-046, B-345, B-327 AND B-236

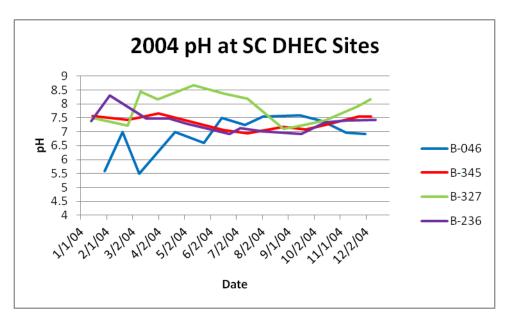


FIGURE 3-195 2004 PH DATA AT SCDHEC MONITORING STATIONS B-046, B-345, B-327, AND B-236

# 4.0 DISCUSSION AND CONCLUSIONS

Overall, there is a vast amount of data that have been or is currently being collected in the vicinity of the Parr Fairfield Hydroelectric Project. Due to ongoing monitoring efforts by SCANA, SCDHEC, SCDNR and USGS, Parr Reservoir, Monticello Reservoir and the Broad River upstream and downstream of Parr Shoals Dam are constantly being examined for potential water quality issues. Daily, monthly and quarterly readings and analyses provide continual insight into the health of the Project waters. The water quality parameters included in this report are commonly used indicators of the overall health of a body of water.

Data summarized in this report shows that localized water temperature increases do occur in the vicinity of the V.C. Summer Nuclear Station. This phenomenon is explained further in the Thermal Mixing Zone Evaluation at VCSNS, included in Appendix B. Also, SCDHEC monitoring stations B-346, B-236, RL-04370, RL-04374, and RL-11031 are included on the 2012 303(d) list, for excursions in total phosphorus, copper and/or pH.

After examing the results of the water quality analyses summarized in this report, a few general conclusions on the condition of Project waters, as well as upstream and downstream waters associated with the Project, can be made. Water temperature, DO, pH and specific conductivity appear to fluctuate naturally with the time of year and depth of the reservoirs. The Parr Fairfield Project operations contribute a few small, localized effects on water quality, but do not appear to affect the overall quality of the Parr Reservoir, Monticello Reservoir and the Broad River downstream of Parr Shoals Dam.

The data presented here depicts an overall healthy water system, providing suitable habitat for a variety of aquatic species. The clean waters of Monticello Reservoir, Parr Reservoir and the Broad River are also able to provide the public with safe recreation opportunities.

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# APPENDIX A 2012 PARR SEDIMENT INVESTIGATION REPORT

SCANA Services Inc.

Parr Reservoir Sediment Investigation Report 2012

Milton Quattlebaum March 2013

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#### Introduction

Parr Reservoir is located in Fairfield County, South Carolina. Parr Reservoir (4,400 acre) is formed by the impounding of the Broad River by the South Carolina Electric and Gas (SCE&G) Parr Shoals Dam (Parr). Daily operation of the SCE&G's Fairfield Pump Storage (FFPS) facility located on Parr Reservoir has two distinct effects on Parr Reservoir. The first being daily fluctuations in water level, and the second being the potential reversal of current flow in Parr Reservoir depending on the Broad River flows.

In accordance with provisions of the Clean Water Act Section 401 Water Quality Certification issued to SCE&G by the South Carolina Department of Health and Environmental Control, SCANA Corporate Environmental Services began annual collections of sediment samples from two locations in Parr Reservoir for analysis of the following metals (total): aluminum, antimony, arsenic, barium, beryllium, cadmium, calcium, chromium, copper, iron, lead, magnesium, manganese, mercury, nickel, potassium, silver, strontium, thallium, and zinc. Total phosphorus was also measured.

The data from the 2012 collections will begin to provide background information for determining what impact, if any, the discharge from the operation of VCSNS 2 & VCSNS 3 will have on various constituents of the sediment in the vicinity of the discharge

#### Methods

Sediment samples were collected from two transects located within Parr Reservoir. The first transect (Transect 2) was located approximately 200 yards downstream of the cooling water discharge location. The second transect (Transect 1) was located just north of the Heller's Creek confluence approximately 4 mile upstream of the discharge location. Sampling at each transect consisted of collection of one grab sample from each of five sample points along each transect. One sample was collected from each end of the transect (eastern shore and western shore). The third sample point was located at the mid-point of each transect. The remaining two sample points were located at equal distance from the mid-point sample location and each end of each transect. All sample points are constantly inundated at the reservoir's low pool elevation (256 ft msl; NGVD 29). The five grab samples were composited and thoroughly homogenized to form one discrete sample from each transect. Basic water quality parameters (dissolved oxygen, pH, specific conductivity, and temperature) were collected using a YSI 650 MDS Water Quality Logger equipped with a YSI 600XL Sonde or instrumentation of equivalent capabilities and accuracy at each transect (Figure 1).

#### Results

Results for the samples collected at the two transects are presented in Appendix 1. A copy of the laboratory report is presented in Appendix 2. For comparing transects, the metals were divided into groups based on detection results for Transect 2. Beryllium, Mercury, Silver, and Thallium were not detected at either transect during this sampling event. Cadmium was the only metal with a higher detection value at Transect 1 (0.4 mg/kg) than transect 2 (0.3 mg/kg).

Four metals (Antimony, Arsenic, Lead and Nickel) were measured at <10 mg/kg. Antimony (1.7 mg/kg) and Arsenic (3.8 mg/kg) were detected at Transect 2 compared to non-detect at Transect 1. Lead and Nickel concentrations at Transect 2 ranged from 6.0X – 6.6X higher than Transect 1.

Copper, Chromium, Zinc, and Barium results at Transect 2 ranged in values from 15 mg/kg – 97 mg/kg. In comparison Transect 1 values ranged from 2.1 mg/kg -24 mg/kg. Copper concentrations at Transect 2 (15 mg/kg) were measured 7X higher than Transect 1 (2.1 mg/kg) results.

The results at Transect 2 for Manganese and Calcium ranged between 580 mg/kg to 790 mg/kg. Calcium was measured at 790 mg/kg at Transect 2 compared to non-detect at Transect 1 for this sampling event. Manganese concentrations at Transect 2 (580 mg/kg) were 2X higher than Transect 1 (290 mg/kg).

Potassium, Magnesium, Aluminum, and Iron results ranged from 1,600 mg/kg, to 21,000 mg/kg at Transect 2, compared to 500 mg/kg to 5,500 mg/kg at Transect 1. Aluminum concentrations at Transects 2 were 6.5X higher than Transect 1. Potassium, Magnesium, and Iron concentrations at Transect 2 ranged from 3.2X to 3.8X higher than Transect 1.

The phosphorous results were higher at Transect 2 with a value of 350 mg/kg compared to a value of 150 mg/kg at Transect 1.

#### **Summary**

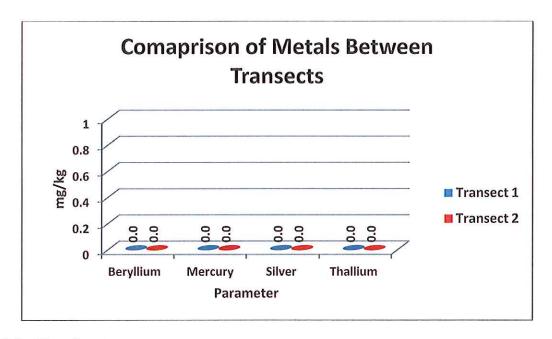
This data will be used along with subsequent yearly sampling of Transects 1 & 2 to provide background information to help determine what impacts, if any, the discharge from the future operation of VCSNS 2 & VCSNS 3 will have on the aquatic environment of Parr Reservoir as well as the Broad River immediately downstream of Parr Reservoir.

Figure 1. Parr Reservoir Sediment Transect Locations.

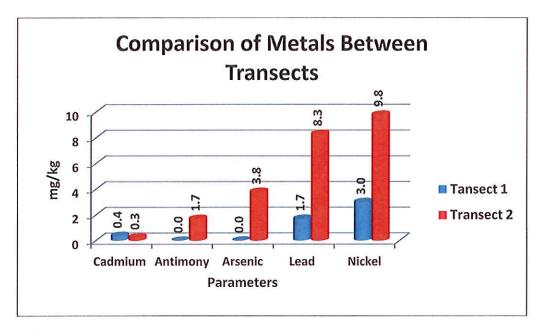


<u>Appendix 1</u>

Transect 1 Metals Results versus Transect 2 Metals Results

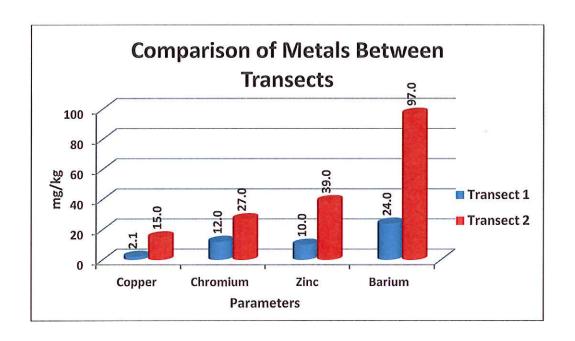


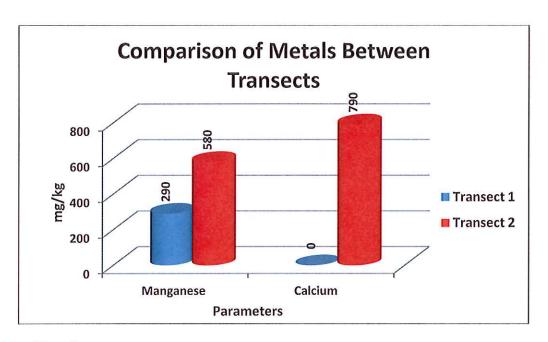
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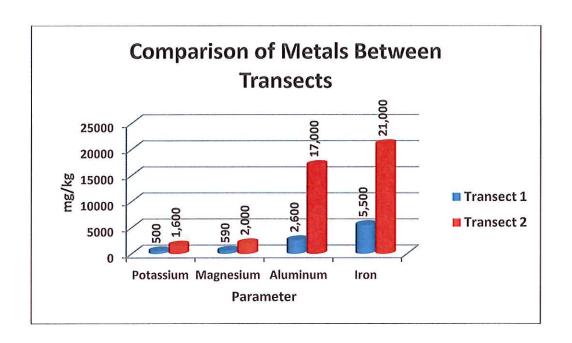
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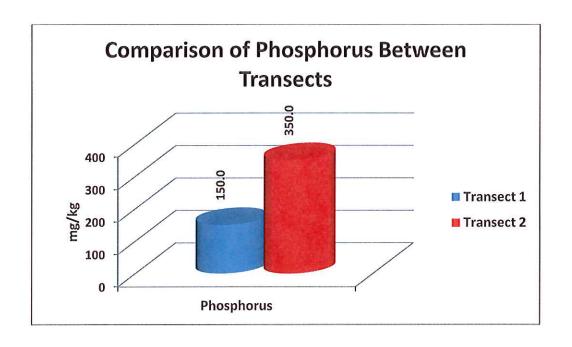


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**Transect 1 Total Phosphorus versus Transect 2 Total Phosphorus:** 



# Appendix 2

Laboratory Results.

#### Report of Analysis

SC Electric and Gas Company

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Project Name: NND

Lot Number: NI28059

Date Completed: 10/08/2012

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SC DHEC No: 32010

**NELAC No: E87653** 

NC DENR No: 329

# Case Narrative SC Electric and Gas Company

Lot Number: NI28059

This Report of Analysis contains the analytical result(s) for the sample(s) listed on the Sample Summary following this Case Narrative. The sample receiving date is documented in the header information associated with each sample.

All results listed in this report relate only to the samples that are contained within this report.

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# **Sample Summary**

# SC Electric and Gas Company

Lot Number: NI28059

Sample Number	Sample ID	Matrix	Date Sampled	Date Received
001	Sediment Sta Control	Solid	09/27/2012 1129	09/28/2012
002	Sediment Sta 2 Downstream	Solid	09/27/2012 1228	09/28/2012

(2 samples)

# Executive Summary SC Electric and Gas Company

Lot Number: NI28059

Sampl	e Sample ID	Matrix	Parameter	Method	Result	Q	Units	Page
001	Sediment Sta Control	Solid	Phosphorus	365.1	150		mg/kg	5
001	Sediment Sta Control	Solid	Aluminum	6010C	2600		mg/kg	6
001	Sediment Sta Control	Solid	Barium	6010C	24		mg/kg	6
001	Sediment Sta Control	Solid	Cadmium	6010C	0.38		mg/kg	6
001	Sediment Sta Control	Solid	Chromium	6010C	12		mg/kg	6
001	Sediment Sta Control	Solid	Copper	6010C	2.1		mg/kg	6
001	Sediment Sta Control	Solid	Iron	6010C	5500	S	mg/kg	6
001	Sediment Sta Control	Solid	Lead	6010C	1.7		mg/kg	6
001	Sediment Sta Control	Solid	Magnesium	6010C	590		mg/kg	6
001	Sediment Sta Control	Solid	Manganese	6010C	290	S	mg/kg	6
001	Sediment Sta Control	Solid	Nickel	6010C	3.0		mg/kg	6
001	Sediment Sta Control	Solid	Potassium	6010C	500		mg/kg	6
001	Sediment Sta Control	Solid	Zinc	6010C	10		mg/kg	6
002	Sediment Sta 2 Downstream	Solid	Phosphorus	365.1	350		mg/kg	7
002	Sediment Sta 2 Downstream	Solid	Aluminum	6010C	17000	S	mg/kg	8
002	Sediment Sta 2 Downstream	Solid	Antimony	6010C	1.7		mg/kg	8
002	Sediment Sta 2 Downstream	Solid	Arsenic	6010C	3.8		mg/kg	8
002	Sediment Sta 2 Downstream	Solid	Barium	6010C	97		mg/kg	8
002	Sediment Sta 2 Downstream	Solid	Cadmium	6010C	0.26		mg/kg	8
002	Sediment Sta 2 Downstream	Solid	Calcium	6010C	790		mg/kg	8
002	Sediment Sta 2 Downstream	Solid	Chromium	6010C	27		mg/kg	8
002	Sediment Sta 2 Downstream	Solid	Copper	6010C	15		mg/kg	8
002	Sediment Sta 2 Downstream	Solid	Iron	6010C	21000		mg/kg	8
002	Sediment Sta 2 Downstream	Solid	Lead	6010C	8.3		mg/kg	8
002	Sediment Sta 2 Downstream	Solid	Magnesium	6010C	2000		mg/kg	8
002	Sediment Sta 2 Downstream	Solid	Manganese	6010C	580		mg/kg	8
002	Sediment Sta 2 Downstream	Solid	Nickel	6010C	9.8		mg/kg	8
002	Sediment Sta 2 Downstream	Solid	Potassium	6010C	1600		mg/kg	8
002	Sediment Sta 2 Downstream	Solid	Zinc	6010C	39		mg/kg	8

(29 detections)

## Inorganic non-metals

Client: SC Electric and Gas Company

**Description: Sediment Sta Control** 

Date Sampled: 09/27/2012 1129

Date Received: 09/28/2012

Laboratory ID: NI28059-001

Matrix: Solid

% Solids: 77.2 09/29/2012 0121

Run **Prep Method** 1

**Analytical Method** (Phosphorus) 365.1

Dilution **Analysis Date** 10/05/2012 0843 Analyst WKH

**Prep Date** 10/02/2012 0930 94447

Parameter	CAS Number	Analytical Method	Result	Q	PQL	Units	Run
Phosphorus	7723-14-0	365.1	150		6.5	mg/kg	1

PQL = Practical quantitation limit

B = Detected in the method blank

E = Quantitation of compound exceeded the calibration range

H = Out of holding time

Q = Surrogate failure

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#### **TAL Metals**

Client: SC Electric and Gas Company

**Description: Sediment Sta Control** 

Date Sampled: 09/27/2012 1129

Date Received: 09/28/2012

Laboratory ID: NI28059-001

Matrix: Solid

% Solids: 77.2 09/29/2012 0121

Run	Prep Method	<b>Analytical Method</b>	Dilution	Analysis Date	Analyst	Prep Date	Batch
1	7471B	7471B	1	10/04/2012 1230	COH	10/04/2012 0922	94469
1	3050B	6010C	1	10/03/2012 2319	BNW	10/03/2012 0919	94528
2	3050B	6010C	1	10/05/2012 0216	BNW	10/03/2012 0919	94528

	CAS	Analytical					
Parameter	Number	Method	Result	Q	PQL	Units	Run
Aluminum	7429-90-5	6010C	2600		12	mg/kg	1
Antimony	7440-36-0	6010C	ND		0.59	mg/kg	1
Arsenic	7440-38-2	6010C	ND		0.59	mg/kg	2
Barium	7440-39-3	6010C	24		1.5	mg/kg	1
Beryllium	7440-41-7	6010C	ND		0.24	mg/kg	1
Cadmium	7440-43-9	6010C	0.38		0.12	mg/kg	1
Calcium	7440-70-2	6010C	ND		290	mg/kg	2
Chromium	7440-47-3	6010C	12		0.29	mg/kg	1
Copper	7440-50-8	6010C	2.1		0.29	mg/kg	1
Iron	7439-89-6	6010C	5500	S	5.9	mg/kg	1
Lead	7439-92-1	6010C	1.7		0.59	mg/kg	1
Magnesium	7439-95-4	6010C	590		290	mg/kg	1
Manganese	7439-96-5	6010C	290	S	0.88	mg/kg	1
Mercury	7439-97-6	7471B	ND		0.094	mg/kg	1
Nickel	7440-02-0	6010C	3.0		2.4	mg/kg	1
Potassium	7440-09-7	6010C	500		290	mg/kg	1
Silver	7440-22-4	6010C	ND		0.29	mg/kg	1
Thallium	7440-28-0	6010C	ND		2.9	mg/kg	1
Zinc	7440-66-6	6010C	10		2.9	mg/kg	1

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## Inorganic non-metals

Client: SC Electric and Gas Company

Description: Sediment Sta 2 Downstream

Date Sampled: 09/27/2012 1228

Laboratory ID: NI28059-002

Matrix: Solid

% Solids: 52.5 09/29/2012 0121

Date Received: 09/28/2012

Run **Prep Method Analytical Method Dilution Analysis Date** Analyst **Prep Date** Batch 1 (Phosphorus) 365.1 10 10/05/2012 0927 WKH 10/02/2012 0930 94447

Parameter	CAS Number	Analytical Method	Result	Q	PQL	Units	Run
Phosphorus	7723-14-0	365.1	350		19	mg/kg	1

Q = Surrogate failure

#### **TAL Metals**

Client: SC Electric and Gas Company

Description: Sediment Sta 2 Downstream

Date Sampled:09/27/2012 1228

Laboratory ID: NI28059-002

Matrix: Solid

% Solids: 52.5 09/29/2012 0121

Date Received: 09/28/2012

Run	Prep Method	<b>Analytical Method</b>	Dilution	<b>Analysis Date</b>	Analyst	Prep Date	Batch
1	7471B	7471B	1	10/04/2012 1232	COH	10/04/2012 0922	94469
1	3050B	6010C	1	10/03/2012 2334	BNW	10/03/2012 0919	94528
2	3050B	6010C	1	10/05/2012 0231	BNW	10/03/2012 0919	94528

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Beryllium     7440-41-7     6010C       Cadmium     7440-43-9     6010C       Calcium     7440-70-2     6010C       Chromium     7440-47-3     6010C       Copper     7440-50-8     6010C       Iron     7439-89-6     6010C     2	3.8	0.90	mg/kg	1
Cadmium       7440-43-9       6010C         Calcium       7440-70-2       6010C         Chromium       7440-47-3       6010C         Copper       7440-50-8       6010C         Iron       7439-89-6       6010C       2	97	2.3	mg/kg	1
Calcium     7440-70-2     6010C       Chromium     7440-47-3     6010C       Copper     7440-50-8     6010C       Iron     7439-89-6     6010C     2	ND	0.36	mg/kg	1
Chromium     7440-47-3     6010C       Copper     7440-50-8     6010C       Iron     7439-89-6     6010C     2	0.26	0.18	mg/kg	1
Copper         7440-50-8         6010C           Iron         7439-89-6         6010C         2	790	450	mg/kg	2
Iron 7439-89-6 6010C 2	27	0.45	mg/kg	1
	15	0.45	mg/kg	1
7420.00.4 00400	1000	9.0	mg/kg	1
Lead 7439-92-1 6010C	8.3	0.90	mg/kg	1
Magnesium 7439-95-4 6010C	2000	450	mg/kg	1
Manganese 7439-96-5 6010C	580	1.4	mg/kg	1
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Potassium 7440-09-7 6010C	1600	450	mg/kg	1
Silver 7440-22-4 6010C	ND	0.45	mg/kg	1
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# APPENDIX B

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#### 1. INTRODUCTION

South Carolina Electric and Gas (SCE&G, a subsidiary of SCANA Corporation) is making an application to the South Carolina Department of Health and Environmental Control (DHEC) for a renewal of its National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) permit for Unit 1 of the Virgil C. Summer Nuclear Generating Station (V. C. Summer Station) located in Fairfield County near Jenkinsville, South Carolina.

This document presents background and technical information supporting formal requests to DHEC for the thermal mixing zone for the V. C. Summer Station cooling water effluent discharge to the Monticello Reservoir pursuant to Rule 61-68 (Water Classifications and Standards) Section C.10.

#### **Facility Description**

Summer Station is a single-unit, 974-megawatt (MW) nuclear-fueled electric power generating facility that operates as a base-load facility. It uses a once-through cooling water system that withdraws cooling water from Monticello Reservoir via a single shoreline-positioned cooling water intake structure (CWIS) located at the south end of the reservoir. After the cooling water leaves the condensers, the heated water is conveyed to a "discharge bay" and then through a 1,000 foot (ft) discharge canal leading into Monticello Reservoir.

Monticello Reservoir is a 6,800-acre (ac) freshwater impoundment that was built in the Frees Creek valley in 1978 to serve both as the cooling water source for Summer Station and the upper pool for the Fairfield Pumped Storage Facility (FPSF). The Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) regulates water levels in Monticello Reservoir through the hydropower license for SCE&G's Parr Shoals (Broad River) Hydroelectric Project (FERC License No. 1894), of which FPSF is a part. The FERC license for Parr Shoals establishes water surface elevation guidelines for Monticello Reservoir between 425.0 feet (ft) above mean sea level (msl) (high water level) and 420.5 ft msl (low water level). Reservoir levels may fluctuate daily within this 4.5-ft operating band as a result of FPSF operation.

The operation of the FPSF will vary depending on the season and system power needs. In summer, the facility generally pumps water from Parr Reservoir to Monticello Reservoir between the hours of 11:00 pm and 8:00 am and generates power by releasing

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water between the hours of 10:00 am and 11:00 pm. In winter, FPSF generally pumps water daily from Parr Reservoir to Monticello Reservoir between 11:00 pm and 6:00 am and generates between the hours of 6:00 am and 1:00 pm. Pumping to Monticello Reservoir is normally done at maximum capacity during off-peak periods. The power output for FPSF varies from one generator up to the maximum output from eight generators, depending on demand. Consistent with its operation as a peaking facility, maximum output of FPSF may not be necessary on all days.

#### **Permitting History**

The NPDES permitting history for the Summer Station discharge extends from the mid-1970s when the facility was first permitted. Operating as a once-through cooling water system, thermal addition to Monticello Reservoir is substantial with discharge flow rates up to 532,000 gallons per minute (768 million gallons per day). To comply with South Carolina Department of Health and Environmental Control (DHEC) water quality standards for temperature in lakes, SCE&G conducted studies to successfully support alternate thermal effluent limitations under Clean Water Act Section 316(a) per South Carolina Regulation 61-68 – Water Classifications and Standards: Section E.12.c.)<sup>1</sup>. The following numeric effluent limitations for temperature were established for Summer Station Outfall 001 in the initial permit:

- a daily maximum temperature of 113°F to be measured "in pipe" prior to discharge;
- a monthly average temperature of 90°F measured at the FPSF intake structure (considered the mixing zone boundary);
- a maximum thermal plume size of 6,700 acres; and

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The weekly average water temperature of all Freshwaters which are **lakes** shall not be increased more than 5°F (2.8°C) above natural conditions and shall not exceed 90°F (32.2°C) as a result of the discharge of heated liquids unless a different site-specific temperature standard as provided for in C.12. has been established, a mixing zone as provided in C.10. has been established, or a Section 316(a) determination under the Federal Clean Water Act has been completed (South Carolina Regulation 61-68 – Water Classifications and Standards: Section E.12.c.).





• a monthly average temperature rise (ΔT) within the plume of 3°F measured between the FPSF intake structure and a point at the northern end of the reservoir.

Based on several years of monitoring, DHEC ultimately eliminated the plume size and  $\Delta T$  limitations leaving in place the 113°F daily maximum limit and 90°F monthly average limit in subsequent permits.

Thermal discharges and repeated continuation of alternate thermal limits (variances) in NPDES permits that are based on historical 316(a) demonstration study data have come under increased scrutiny by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (USEPA) who oversees the DHEC NPDES program. Recently, DHEC and SCE&G have had discussions relative to renewal of the current NPDES permit for V. C. Summer Station concerning the level of information needed to support the continued discharge temperature limits for the facility. There have been no substantive changes<sup>2</sup> to V. C. Summer Station operations since issuance of the initial NPDES permit in the mid-1970s. As such, SCE&G believes that reevaluation of the thermal mixing zone characteristics and boundaries via updated hydrodynamic modeling (in complement to the earlier 316(a) demonstration study data) will provide the quantitative information needed by DHEC to support a decision maintaining the current temperature limits for Summer Station that is consistent with South Carolina Regulation 61-68, Section E.12.

#### **Related Modeling Work**

The primary modeling study related to the thermal plume characteristics of the cooling water discharge for the V. C. Summer Station was carried out by NUS Corporation in 1985 [1] and updated in 1989 [2]. A mathematical model of the lake was created which accounted for discharge and atmospheric parameters and calculated the thermal plume based on assumed vertical temperature profiles. The conclusions of the study showed that the VC Summer Station would not violate any of the three quantitative temperature limits in the NPDES permit at the time, even under extreme meteorological conditions.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Licensed power output of the V.C. Summer Station Unit 1 has been increased, but due to some cooling loads being handled by a small cooling tower, the heat loading to the reservoir has not changed significantly. Additionally, the discharge canal was dredged (canal is now deeper than it was originally) to alleviate fish kills in the discharge bay area.



While certainly an advanced and comprehensive analysis at the time, the NUS study did not consider several important features of the thermal discharge. In particular, the Unit 1 cooling water discharges into a small basin (approximately 600 ft x 600 ft surface dimension), which is connected to the reservoir through a channel approximately 900 ft in length and 200 ft wide. The dynamics in the basin and channel are complex; recirculating flows in the basin, and an unusual return flow of cold water flowing along the bottom of the channel from the reservoir to the basin. These features could not have been reasonably accounted for and calculated by the NUS study, and neither can they be calculated with more modern tools such as CORMIX [3], since in both these cases underlying assumptions are made regarding the temperature profiles.

In order to more definitively characterize the V. C. Summer Station Unit 1 thermal discharge into the hydrodynamically and spatially complex mixing environment in the basin, channel and reservoir, a more robust modeling approach was needed. As such, three-dimensional Computational Fluid Dynamics (CFD) modeling effort was conducted.

CFD modeling is based on the Navier-Stokes equations for fluid motion, which are simply an expression of Newton's laws of motion with additional viscous stress terms required to calculate fluid flow [4]. The equations express the laws of conservation of mass, momentum and energy and are hence a "fundamental" set of equations (i.e., no assumptions are made in forming the basic equation set).

CFD modeling has been used successfully for over 40 years in a variety of industrial and environmental applications. The Tennessee Valley Authority (TVA) used CFD modeling to evaluate the thermal discharge from its Browns Ferry Nuclear Power Plant to Wheeler Reservoir in north Alabama [5]. The CFD model allowed TVA to determine thermal plume mixing and temperature rise patterns as well as other hydrodynamic features of the discharge. Notably, TVA found close agreement between CFD model predicted water temperatures and direct temperature measurements at the operating diffusers.

More recently, Geosyntec Consultants and MMI Engineering employed CFD to model the complex thermal plume characteristics of the proposed William States Lee III Nuclear Generating Station, as part of the NPDES permit application for the site submitted by Duke Energy to DHEC. Similar to the current study, the thermal plume



was affected by operations in the receiving water body that significantly affected the surface elevation.

Other examples of CFD environmental applications include the U.S. Department of Energy's Pacific Northwest National Laboratory use of CFD in the hydrodynamic evaluation of the North Fork Dam forebay on the Clackamas River in Oregon and to model the three-dimensional velocity field below Bonneville Dam to enhance fish passage [6]. CFD has also been used to investigate the increased discharge associated with the re-powering of an existing power plant [7].

#### 2. GENERATION OF THE COMPUTATIONAL MODEL

Geosyntec/MMI Engineering uses a variety of classical and computational analysis techniques to assess the performance of fluid systems and processes. For detailed CFD analysis, calculations are made with the general purpose, commercial CFD code ANSYS-CFX Version 12 [8]. This is the CFD model code selected for the current analysis. Full details of the computational model are given in Appendix A.

The extent (geometry) of the Monticello Reservoir and discharge bay and canal environment in the CFD models included:

- the Unit 1 discharge bay and canal;
- the Fairfield Pumped Storage Facility intakes;
- the backwater areas in the locality of the canal; and,
- a section of the Monticello Reservoir extended approximately 1.6 miles north of the discharge structure.

Total surface area of the modeled domain was approximately 1800 acres, or approximately 25% of the total surface area of the reservoir.

Bathymetry data in the discharge bay and canal, and in part of the Monticello Reservoir, was collected by Geosyntec in the form of point-depth measurements in a series of transects. These point data were interpolated to form part of the reservoir bed in the CFD models. For the areas of the model that were not covered by the bathymetry data, a contour map was provided to MMI/Geosyntec (a section of this map in shown in





Figure 3) and was digitized by MMI/Geosyntec to create approximately 10,000 additional data points (Figure 4) that were combined with the collected bathymetry data to form the entire model (see Figure 5 and Figure 6). A more detailed view of the model in the vicinity of the discharge, showing the bay and canal, is shown on Figure 7 and Figure 8.

Detailed drawings of the discharge structure were not available; however the shape of the structure and its dimensions and exact location can be calculated from aerial photographs. The discharge pipe diameter is 144" [9], and in the model this was represented as a square cross-section (rather than circular) of the same area as the circular pipe. This ensures the correct mass, energy and momentum input into the model and the highly turbulent flows near the discharge would quickly smooth out small differences in the shape of the discharge pipe.

Views of the computational mesh, which contained approximately 500,000 cells with 20 cells in the depth direction, are shown on Figure 9 and Figure 10.

#### 3. SCENARIOS

The following modeling scenarios were run to capture the expected worst case results (thermally and spatially) for the Summer Station thermal discharge:

- Scenario 1 Thermal discharge under peak load and discharge flow with Monticello Reservoir elevation under <u>high water-slack</u> conditions (no flow through FPSF).
- Scenario 2 Thermal discharge under peak load and discharge flow with Monticello Reservoir elevation under <u>low water-slack</u> conditions (no flow through FPSF).
- Scenario 3 Thermal discharge under peak load and discharge flow with Monticello Reservoir elevation under <u>low water-rising</u> conditions (FPSF pumpback); and
- **Scenario 4** Thermal discharge under peak load and discharge flow with Monticello Reservoir elevation under <u>high water-falling</u> conditions (FPSF generation).



Each scenario was modeled under critical conditions of <u>summer</u> when ambient reservoir and discharge temperatures are expected to be greatest and have the most potential for acute effects to aquatic life. This will allow evaluation of thermal plume mixing characteristics and spatial dimensions in the context of the DHEC 90°F temperature criterion. Based on data transmitted to MMI/Geosyntec [10], the ambient reservoir temperature was set to 86.4°F as this was the highest monthly-average temperature recorded at the Unit 1 intakes in 2010. The discharge temperature was set to 113.0°F which was measured during August 2011, and is approximately 1°F higher than the recorded highest monthly-average discharge temperature in 2010.

Additionally, each scenario was also modeled under <u>winter</u> conditions when differential between the plume temperature and ambient temperature (i.e.,  $\Delta T$ ) are expected to be greatest. This will allow evaluation of thermal plume mixing characteristics and spatial dimensions in the context of the DHEC 5°F  $\Delta T$  temperature criterion. Based on data transmitted to MMI/Geosyntec [10], the highest monthly-averaged  $\Delta T$  for 2010 occurred in November, where the monthly-average reservoir temperature was recorded at 66.6°F and the monthly-average discharge temperature was 98.7°F, resulting in a  $\Delta T$  of 32.1°F. These temperature values were used to represent winter conditions.

In all cases, the discharge flow rate was set to 532,000 gpm which is the flow rate through the Unit 1 intake with all three intake pumps fully operational. Based on data transmitted to MMI/Geosyntec [11], the flow rate for FPSF pump-back was set to 41,800 cfs and the flow rate for FPSF generation was set to 50,400 cfs.

### 4. VALIDATION OF THE COMPUTATIONAL MODEL

Geosyntec collected temperature and velocity profiles during a data survey conducted on the Monticello Reservoir in August 2011. The most useful "snapshot" of the temperature of the thermal plume was taken at around 2pm on August 3<sup>rd</sup> 2011in the form of five temperature profiles extending to a maximum depth of 25ft. These profiles are shown on Figure 11 (note that the temperature scale is in degrees Celsius). At the time of the measurements, the discharge temperature was 44.1°C (111.4 °F) and this is shown for reference on Figure 11 by the broken purple line on the right. The most striking feature of the measurements is the difference between the discharge temperature and the measured temperature in the discharge bay (i.e. almost immediately downstream of the discharge). This profile is shown in blue in the figure. If the water in the discharge bay were from the discharge alone, then a temperature near to 44.1°C



would be expected as the only losses would be minor. However, the measurements show temperatures around 40°C in the discharge bay. An indication of the explanation for this can be deduced from the temperature profile taken at the confluence of the discharge bay and canal (shown in red). For depths below 15 ft, the temperature reduces rapidly to less than 34°C. The profile taken at the mouth of the discharge canal (green) has a similar dramatic reduction in temperature below 10 ft depth, to just above 30°C near the bottom, which is approximately the same as the recorded background temperature (light blue). It appears from the data that it is likely that these temperature profiles comprise discharge (hot) water in the upper layer and ambient (cold) water in the lower layer, which, since this pattern is repeated at in the discharge bay (red line) suggests that cold water is flowing from the reservoir into the bay along the bottom of the discharge canal, and hot water is flowing in the opposite direction near the surface. Indeed, this phenomenon of warm water flowing over cool water in the discharge canal was explained to MMI/Geosyntec staff by SCE&G staff prior to the measurements being taken. The field measurements confirmed this.

A somewhat less expected feature of the temperature profiles is the apparent inversion in the upper 5ft of the profiles, where the temperature reduces significantly, suggesting a cooler, more dense layer near the surface on top of a warmer and less dense layer below (in opposition to the natural tendency of buoyancy). The only physical explanation for this reduction in temperature is a very high rate of heat loss at the surface, much higher than one would expect by classical heat loss calculations alone. This may be linked to waves generated by the discharge or the wind, or churning aeration of the very upper layer.

To investigate the accuracy of the computational model, a simulation was run to approximate the thermal plume as closely as possible at the time the measurements were taken. The discharge temperature was set to 44.1°C (111.4 °F) and the flow rate was set to 532,000 gpm. The surface elevation of the reservoir was set to 423.5 ft msl which was calculated from level-loggers installed by Geosyntec. In addition, a surface shear stress was applied that was equivalent to a 10 ft/s north-easterly wind which was recorded on the day.

Figure 12 shows a contour plot of temperature on the surface of the reservoir resulting from the simulation. The blue coloration indicates the ambient temperature of the reservoir (set as 32.0°C) while the red coloration indicates a temperature equal to the discharge temperature. The plume can be seen to gradually reduce in temperature away



from the discharge bay and canal. Interestingly, the oranges and yellows in the discharge bay as predicted in the CFD model indicate much lower temperatures than in the discharge pipe. To investigate this further, two contour plots were produced of temperature on the surface and at 18 ft depth – these are shown on Figure 13 (a) and (b) respectively. Figure 13 (a) shows a close view of the contour plot in Figure 12, and surface temperatures of approximately 41.0°C can be observed. However, Figure 13 (b) which is the temperature at 18 ft depth, shows much cooler (blue) temperatures near the bottom of the discharge canal, as was observed in the field measurements. A clear visualization of this phenomenon can be seen on Figure 14, where velocity vectors are shown on a vertical cut-plane in the center of the canal, and are colored by temperature rather than velocity. There is a clear flow of cold water from the reservoir to the discharge bay in the lower layers, and a flow of hot water in the reverse direction in the upper layers.

Qualitatively the model thus agrees with the anticipated flows, despite these flows being unusual. A quantitative comparison is shown on Figure 15 where the lines indicate results from the CFD model and the circles indicate measured data. The colors of the lines and circles match where the profiles were taken at the same locations. The CFD results in the discharge bay (blue line) shows that the temperature has decreased in the discharge bay by approximately the correct amount. This is due to the counter-flow of cold water into the bay from the reservoir, which is shown by the CFD model results at the confluence of the discharge bay and canal (red line). The sharp decrease in temperature mirrors the measured temperature gradient well. The major differences between the model and measured temperature profiles exist within the upper layer, where the inversion is not predicted by the CFD model. This is not unexpected since it is difficult to account for the inversion recorded by the data. However, it is important to note that the differences between the model and the data result in a higher surface temperature being predicted by the CFD model, showing that the model results will in general be conservative. At the mouth of the discharge canal (green line) the surface temperature is again over-predicted, but the sharp temperature gradient seen below 5 ft depth is captured, albeit at a slightly shallower depth in the model than was measured. Importantly, the model and data match well in the region halfway between the canal and exclusion buoys (orange), as the edges of the thermal plume are expected near this region. The last profile comparison (light blue line) is simply the background profile, which was set as constant in the CFD model but showed slight variation with depth in the measured data, probably due to naturally formed thermoclines rather than the



thermal plume itself given the distance between the measurement and the discharge (approximately 2 miles).

The validation effort therefore shows that the CFD model qualitatively predicts the correct behavior, particularly with respect to the known unusual flows in the discharge canal. The agreement between the model and measured data is generally good, with the greatest discrepancies near the surface of the reservoir. Where these discrepancies occur, the CFD model over-predicts the measured data, so the model results are conservative with respect to surface temperature and therefore the size and magnitude of the thermal plumes.

#### 5. MODEL RESULTS – $T = 90^{\circ}F$ PLUME

The four scenarios listed in §3 were run under summer conditions to evaluate the size of the 90°F thermal plume, as these conditions represent the worst-case scenarios for this plume. In all scenarios the discharge temperature was set to 113.0°F and the ambient reservoir temperature was 86.4°F. The scenarios for summer conditions are referred to as 1S, 2S, 3S and 4S in the text and figure captions, and the input parameters and results are summarized in §7 for reference.

The surface temperature for scenario 1S is shown on Figure 16. In this scenario, the reservoir surface elevation is high (425.0 ft msl) and the FPSF flow rate is zero (slack conditions). This figure provides a full view of the thermal plume in plan view, although it must be remembered that the analysis is three-dimensional so variations in temperature in the depth direction are captured. As anticipated, the hot plume spreads and cools as it mixes with the ambient water downstream of the discharge canal (the red areas in the figure represent temperatures about 112.0°F and the blue indicates less than 87.0°F). The 90°F plume is difficult to distinguish from the contour plot, so it is shown more clearly on Figure 17 where the purple area shows the 90.0°F. Note that the area shown on this figure does not necessarily extend vertically down to the bottom of the reservoir, as the temperature gradients highlighted in the validation study will also exist here. The dimensions of the thermal plume account for these variations as the computational model is three-dimensional. The volume of the 90.0°F plume for scenario 1S is 1,418 acre-ft and the surface area is 128 acres. The maximum length of the plume, which is taken from the end of the discharge pipe to the point in the plume furthest away from the pipe, is 4,332 ft, while the width of the plume (the maximum width in approximately an east-west direction) is 3,312 ft. Note that although the



maximum depth of the plume is 40 ft, the average depth of the plume is only 6.4 ft, indicating that the majority of the plume is relatively shallow.

Scenario 2S is the same simulation as scenario 1S but at a low surface elevation (420.5 ft). As the volume of the ambient water is reduced in the reservoir, but the flow rate from the discharge remains the same, it might be expected that the plume would be slightly larger in volume than the previous scenario. This is indeed the case – the volume of the 90°F plume is 1,627 acre-ft and the surface area is 150 acres. The temperature contours and 90°F plume for this case are shown on Figure 19.

When the FPSF is pumping under low surface elevation, approximately 41,800 cfs is injected into the reservoir at the ambient reservoir temperature. This is the situation modeled in scenario 3S. The velocity vectors on the surface of the reservoir are shown on Figure 20 where the scale is from zero velocity (blue) to 3 ft/s (red). Although the jet from the FPSF is set almost directly from west to east in the model, the proximity and angle of the coast just to the south of the FPSF causes the jet to turn south, resulting in a large recirculation region bounded by the jetty and the island. Although the change to the flows in the western region of the lake are significantly changed, the raised jetty effectively shields the thermal plume, so that neither the temperature contours (Figure 21) or the 90°F plume (Figure 22) are changed from slack conditions (compare to scenario 2S). Indeed, the 90°F plume are very similar to those in scenario 2S: the plume volume is 1,626 acre-feet, the surface area is 150 acres and the maximum length and width are 4,699 ft and 3,830 ft respectively.

The final scenario under summer conditions is 4S, where the FPSF is generating, removing 50,400 cfs of flow from the reservoir. This generates a velocity field pointing towards the FPSF intakes, as shown by the velocity vectors on Figure 23 (the scale in this figure is from zero (blue) to 1 ft/s (red). Note that the influence of the FPSF is lesser when the flow is being withdrawn from the reservoir rather than injected, since the flow is withdrawn from all angles rather than the highly directional jet seen in Figure 20. The withdrawal of fluid from the reservoir does have the effect of "pulling" the plume and results in a stretched but shallower thermal plume – the maximum length and width of the plume are 4,775 ft and 3,705 ft respectively, but the average depth has reduced to 6.1 ft. Overall the 90°F plume is largest in this flow regime, with a volume of 1,790 acre-ft and a surface area of 163 acres. The reason why the generating rather than pumping regime increases the plume size is twofold: first, the "pulling" of the fluid is less turbulent and does not cause additional mixing; second, the flow does not sharply



turn, as was shown by the vectors near the island for the previous scenario. The surface temperature contours and 90°F plume for this case are shown on Figure 24 and Figure 25 respectively.

A summary of these results is given by the table in §7.

#### 6. MODEL RESULTS – $\Delta T = 5^{\circ}F$ PLUME

The worst case for the  $\Delta T = 5^{\circ}F$  thermal plume is under winter conditions where the temperature difference between the background and discharge is greatest. As explained in §3, this occurs in November where the monthly-average ambient reservoir temperature is  $66.6^{\circ}F$  and the discharge temperature is  $98.7^{\circ}F$ , a  $\Delta T$  of  $32.1^{\circ}F$ . These temperatures were set for all four winter scenarios, and are referred to as 1W, 2W, 3W and 4W in the text and figure captions, and the input parameters and results are summarized in §8 for reference.

The surface temperature for scenario 1W (high surface elevation, slack conditions) is shown on Figure 26. Similar to the figures for the summer conditions, the blue coloration indicates ambient temperatures and red indicates temperatures similar to the plume; however in winter the ambient temperature is now  $66.6^{\circ}F$  and the plume temperatures is  $98.7^{\circ}F$ . In this color scale the thermal plume appears to be similar in shape and size to the summer plumes, but it is the  $\Delta T = 5^{\circ}F$  rather than the  $90^{\circ}F$  plume that is of interest here. This is shown for scenario 1W by the green area in Figure 27. This plume is visibly smaller than the  $90^{\circ}F$  plumes in the previous section. The volume of the  $\Delta T = 5^{\circ}F$  for this scenario is 799 acre-feet and the surface area is 77 acres. The maximum length and width are 3,391 ft and 2,763 ft respectively, while the average depth is 6.5 ft.

The same simulation but for low surface elevation of 420.5 ft msl was run as scenario 2W. For the summer simulations, the reduced surface elevation resulted in a larger thermal plume, and this is also the case for the winter conditions, as the volume has increased to 1,005 acre-ft and the surface area has increased to 107 acres. Similarly, the maximum length and width have increased to 4,129 ft and 3,190 ft respectively, but the plume on average is shallower with an average depth of 5.5 ft. The temperature contours and plume can be seen on Figure 28 and Figure 29.



A large recirculation zone was observed in the summer simulation with the FPSF pumping, and this is also seen under winter conditions in Figure 30, which shows velocity vectors (blue is zero, red is 3 ft/s) for scenario 3W. The vectors are very similar to those for scenario 3S, which is expected as the FPSF pumping flow rate is the same in both cases. However, unlike the summer scenario where an almost identical plume resulted with the FPSF pumping, in this case the plume is slightly bigger. This is not noticeable on the temperature contours (Figure 31) or the plume visualization (Figure 32) but the statistics show a marginal increase in plume size, to 1,148 acre-ft volume and 120 acres surface area. The maximum length and width has also increased to 4,219 ft and 3,325 ft respectively, but the average depth remains the same as scenario 2W at 5.5 ft.

Scenario 4W is the final scenario under winter conditions, simulating FPSF generating flow (50,400 cfs removed from the reservoir). The velocity vectors for this scenario are shown on Figure 33, which show the effect of the flow being removed from the reservoir. Similar to the results for summer conditions, the generating condition for the FPSF results in an extended but shallower plume; the surface area is 110 acres and the average depth is 5.8 ft. The plume dimensions are 3,183 ft for maximum width and 3,901 ft for maximum length, and result in an increase in volume over scenario 1W to 1,043 acre-feet.



# 7. **RESULTS SUMMARY** – $T = 90^{\circ}F$ **PLUME**

	Scenario 1S	Scenario 2S	Scenario 3S	Scenario 4S
Description	Summer, high water, slack	Summer, low water, slack	Summer, low water, pumping	Summer, high water, generating
Reservoir Surface Elevation	425.0 ft msl	420.5 ft msl	420.5 ft msl	425.0 ft msl
Reservoir Temperature	86.4°F	86.4°F	86.4°F	86.4°F
Discharge Flow	532,000 gpm	532,000 gpm	532,000 gpm	532,000 gpm
Discharge Temperature	113.0°F	113.0°F	113.0°F	113.0°F
FPSF Operation	0 cfs	0 cfs	+ 41,800 cfs	- 50,400 cfs
Dimensions of the T = 90°F Thermal Plume				
- Volume	1,418 acre-ft	1,627 acre-ft	1,626 acre-ft	1,790 acre-ft
- Surface area	128 acre	150 acre	150 acre	163 acre
- Average Depth/Thickness	6.4 ft	6.0 ft	5.9 ft	6.1 ft
- Maximum Depth/Thickness	40 ft	36 ft	36 ft	40 ft
- Maximum Width	3,312 ft	3,840 ft	3,830 ft	3,705 ft
- Maximum Length <sup>3</sup>	4,332 ft	4,699 ft	4,699 ft	4,775 ft

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Calculated from the end of the discharge pipe.



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## 8. RESULTS SUMMARY $-\Delta T = 5^{\circ}F$ PLUME

	Scenario 1W	Scenario 2W	Scenario 3W	Scenario 4W
Description	Winter, high water, slack	Winter, low water, slack	Winter, low water, pumping	Winter, high water, generating
Reservoir Surface Elevation	425.0 ft msl	420.5 ft msl	420.5 ft msl	425.0 ft msl
Reservoir Temperature	66.6°F	66.6°F	66.6°F	66.6°F
Discharge Flow	532,000 gpm	532,000 gpm	532,000 gpm	532,000 gpm
Discharge Temperature	98.7°F	98.7°F	98.7°F	98.7°F
FPSF Operation	0 cfs	0 cfs	+ 41,800 cfs	- 50,400 cfs
Dimensions of the ∆T = 5°F Thermal Plume				
- Volume	799 acre-ft	1,005 acre-ft	1,148 acre-ft	1,043 acre-ft
- Surface area	77 acre	107 acre	120 acre	110 acre
- Average Depth/Thickness	6.5 ft	5.5 ft	5.5 ft	5.8 ft
- Maximum Depth/Thickness	40 ft	36 ft	36 ft	40 ft
- Maximum Width	2,763 ft	3,190 ft	3,325 ft	3,183 ft
- Maximum Length <sup>4</sup>	3,391 ft	4,129 ft	4,219 ft	3,901 ft

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> Calculated from the end of the discharge pipe.



#### 9. RELEVANCE TO THE THEMRAL MIXING ZONE RENEWAL

The results of the thermal modeling relative to the thermal mixing zone are as follows.

## For the $T = 90^{\circ}F$ plume:

- The maximum plume dimensions occur in summer, when the reservoir is at high surface elevation (425.0 ft msl) and the FPSF is generating.
- The maximum volume is 1,790 acre-ft.
- The maximum surface area is 163 acres.
- The maximum length is 4,775 ft.
- The maximum width is 3,705 ft.

### For the $\Delta T = 5^{\circ}F$ plume:

- The maximum plume dimensions occur in winter, when the reservoir is at low surface elevation (420.5 ft msl) and the FPSF is pumping.
- The maximum volume is 1,148 acre-ft.
- The maximum surface area is 120 acres.
- The maximum length is 4,219 ft.
- The maximum width is 3,325 ft.

The above results indicate that the  $T = 90^{\circ}F$  plume has a larger impact than the  $\Delta T = 5^{\circ}F$  plume.



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# 11. FIGURES



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Figure 2 – Close aerial photograph of the Monticello Reservoir and V. C. Summer Station





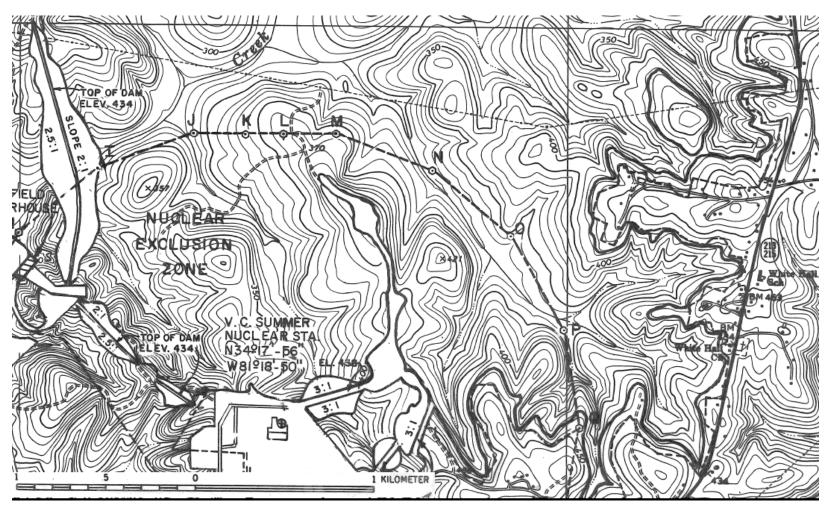


Figure 3 – Contour map of the Monticello Reservoir in the vicinity of the Unit 1 thermal discharge.





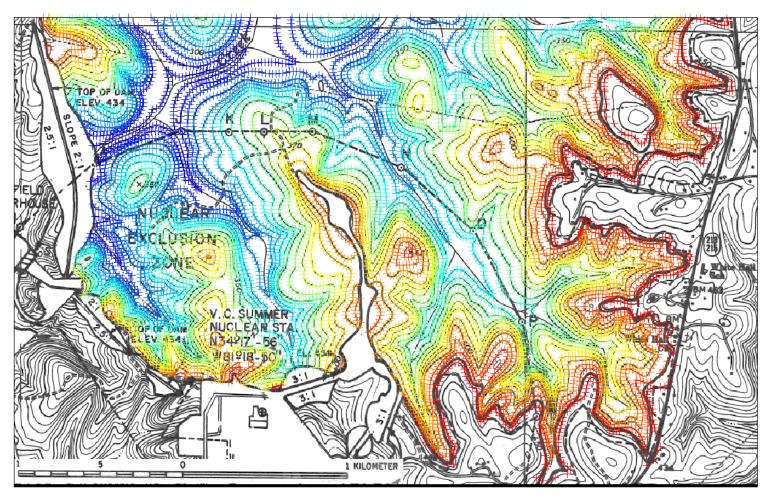


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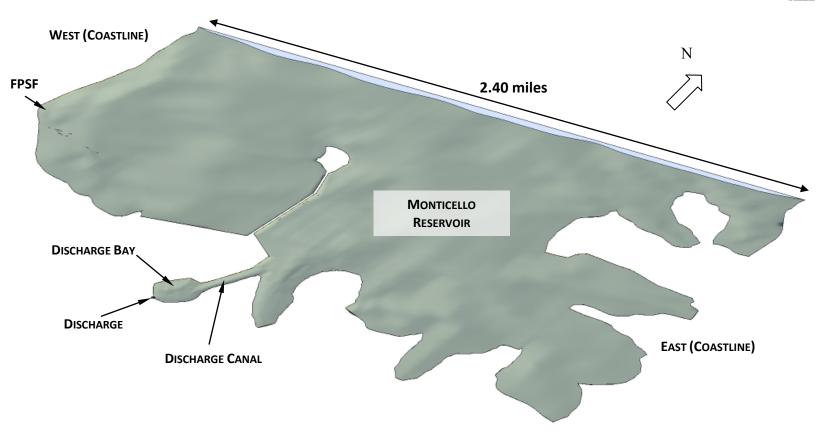


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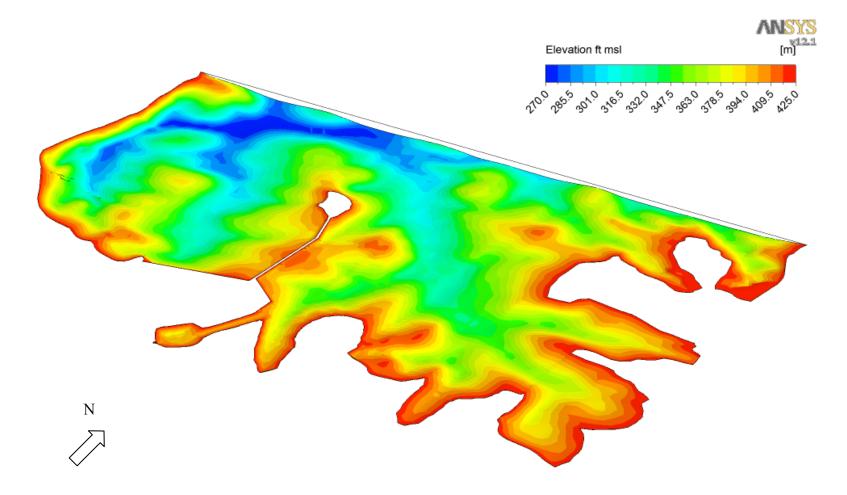


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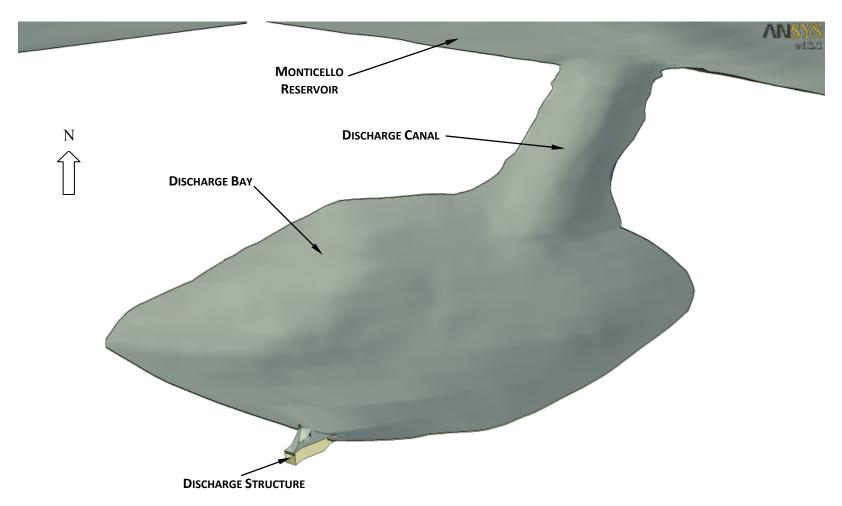


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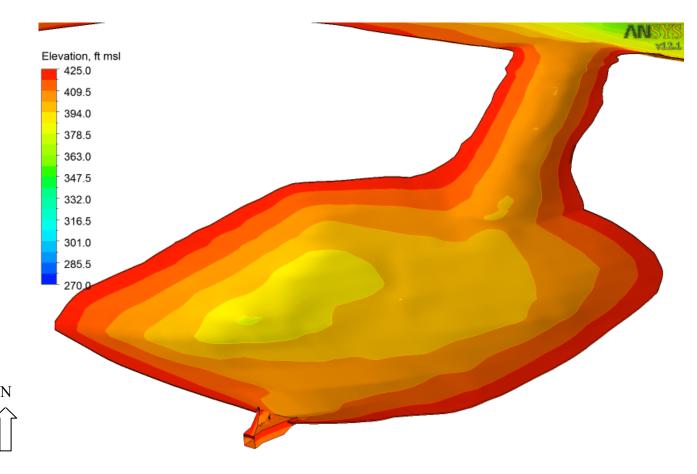


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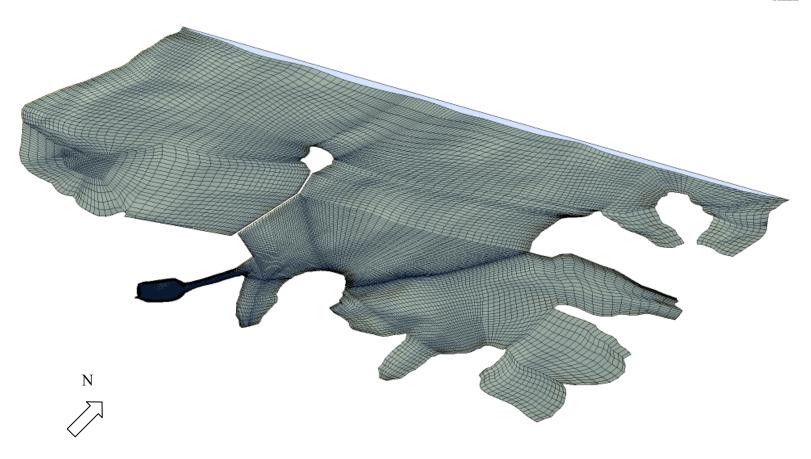


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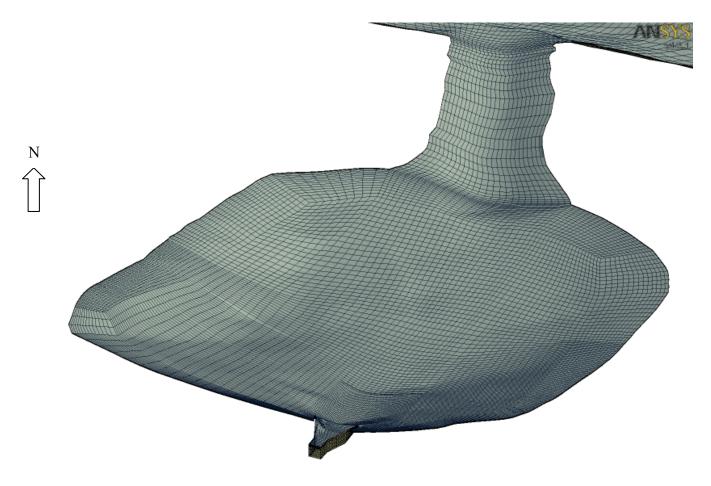


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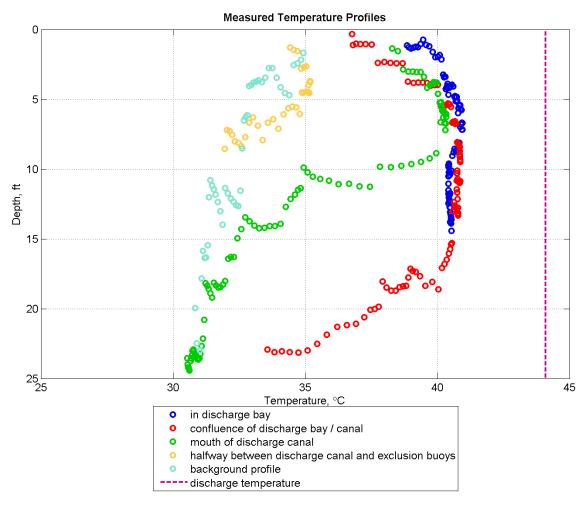


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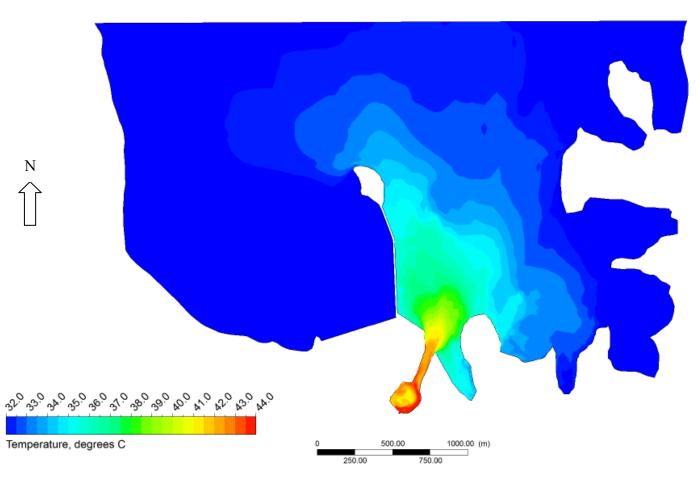


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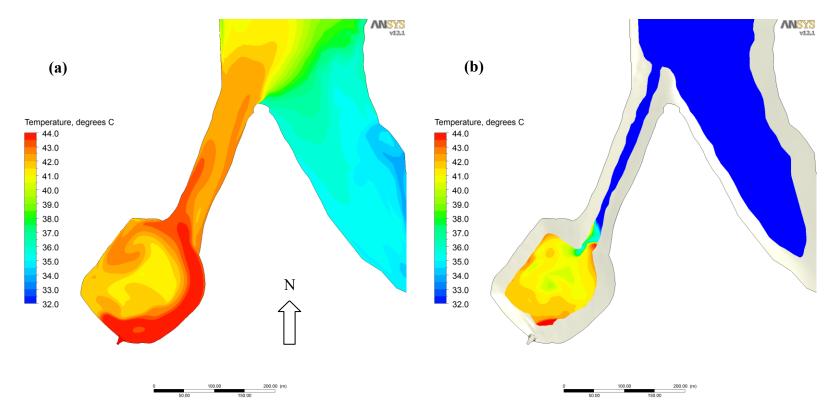


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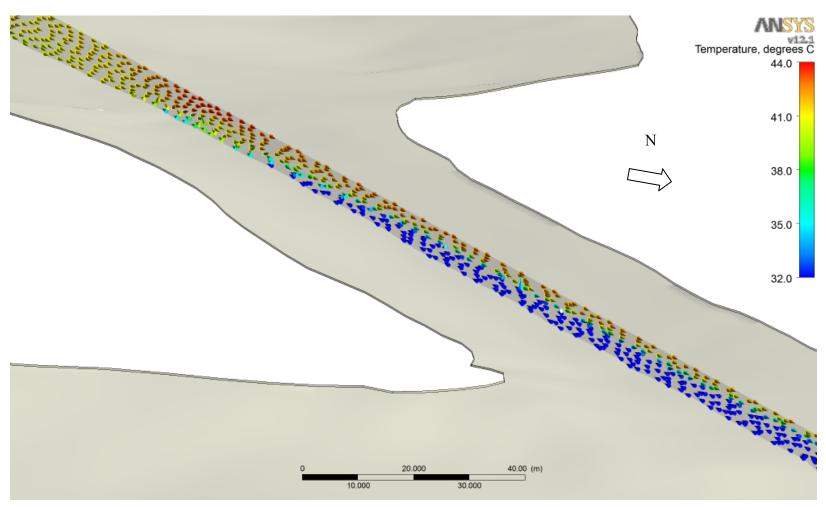


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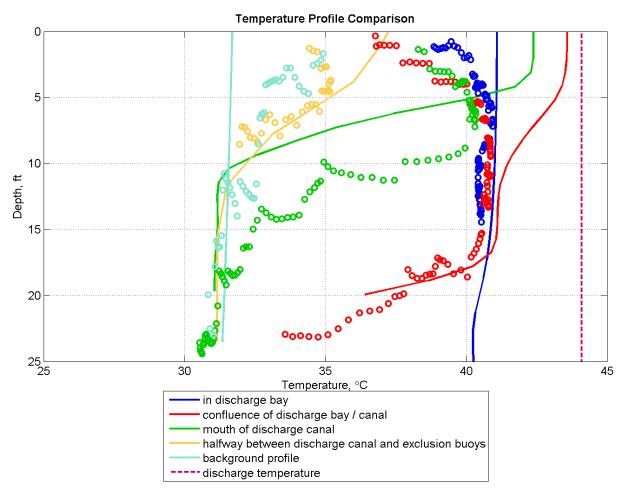


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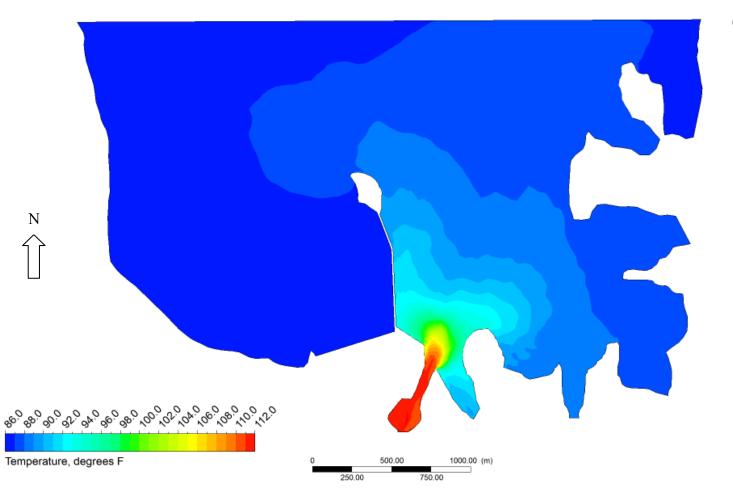


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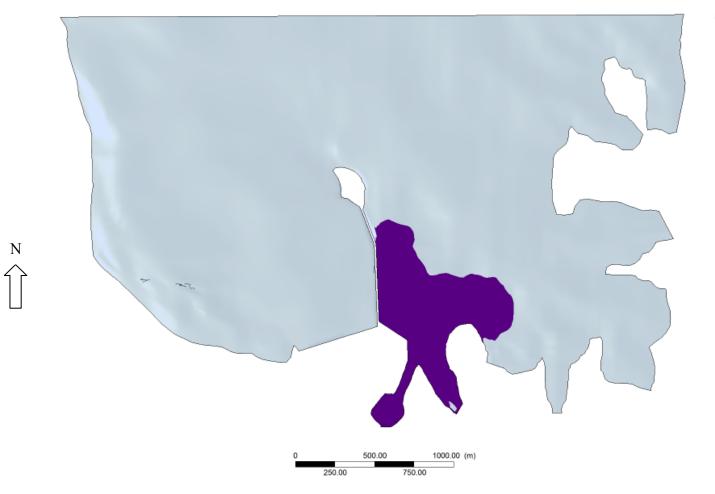


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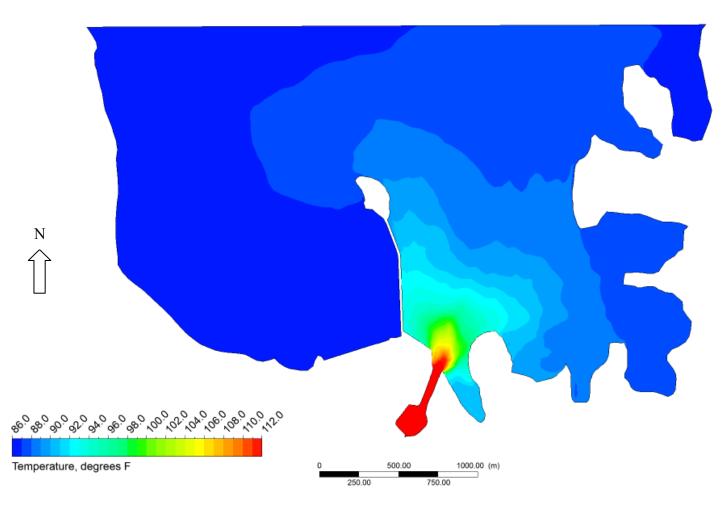


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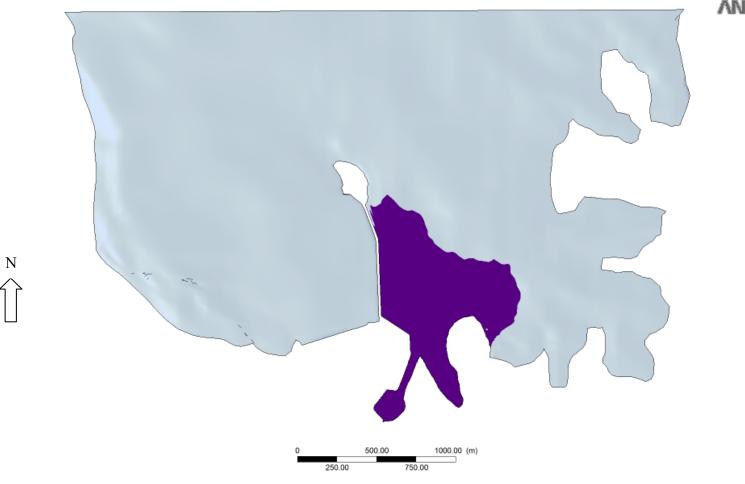


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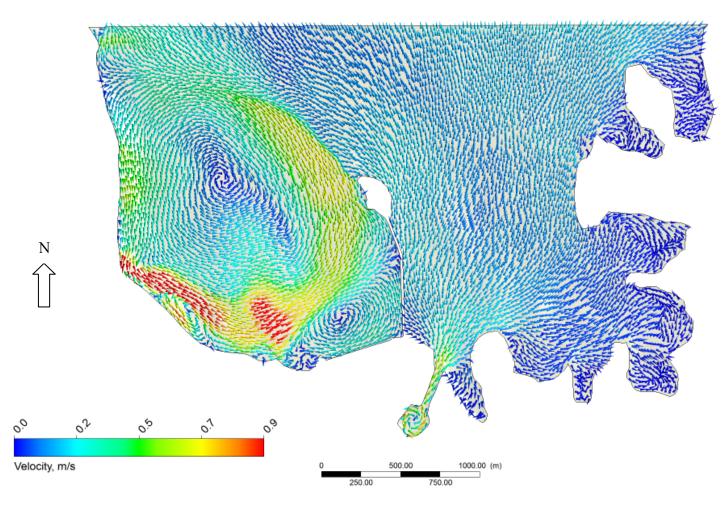


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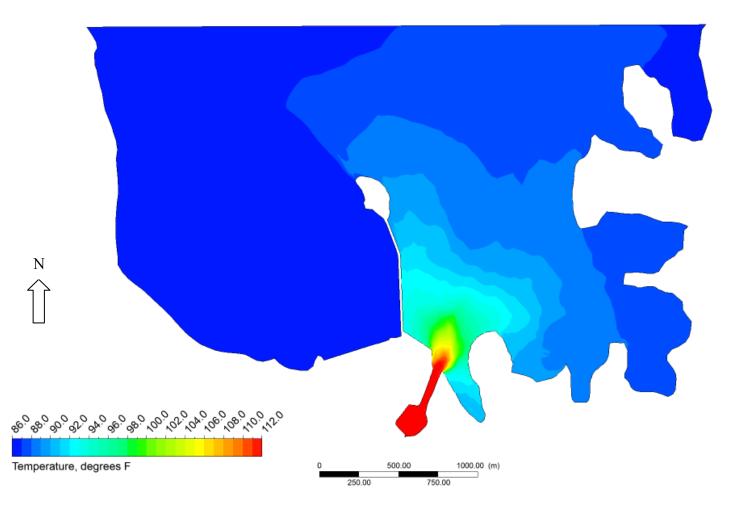


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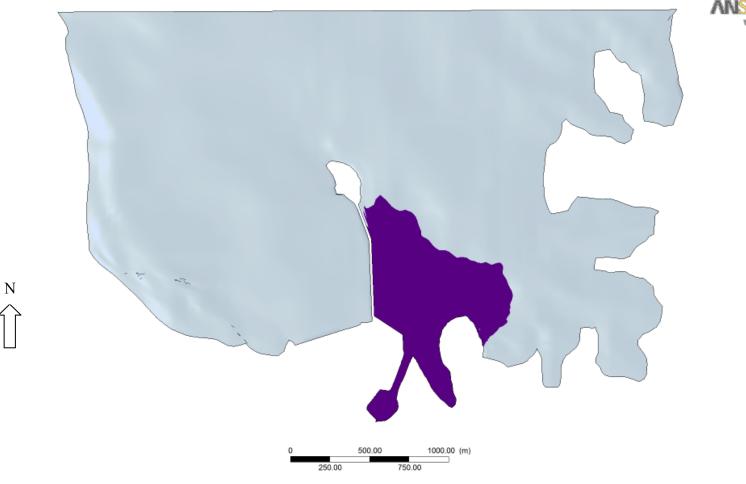


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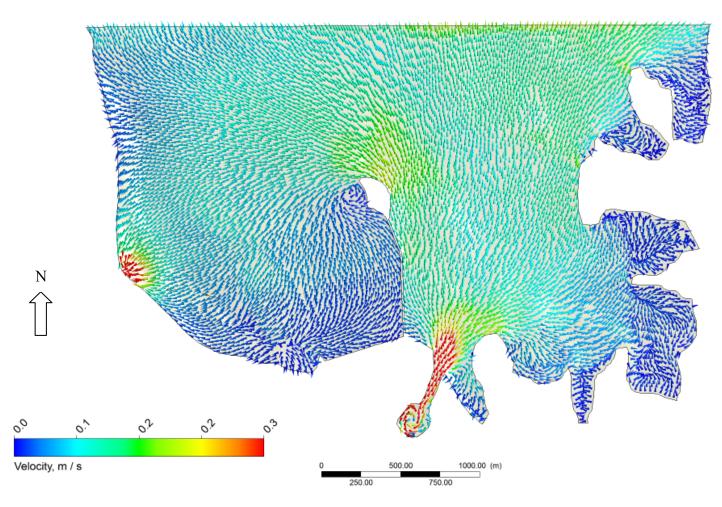


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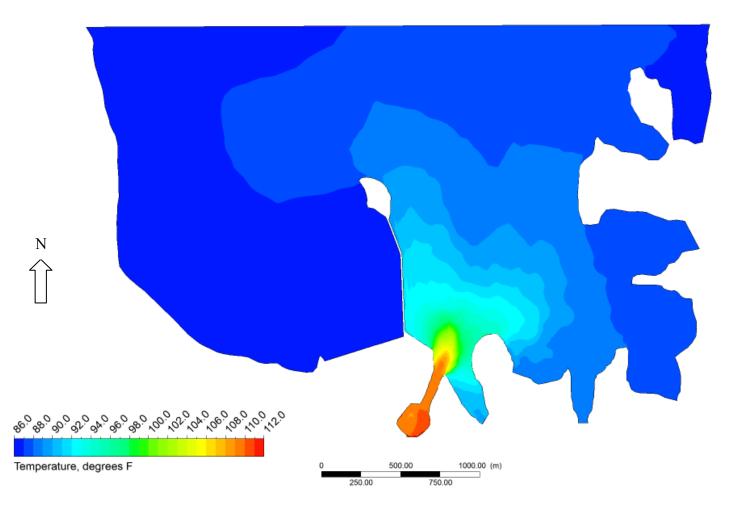


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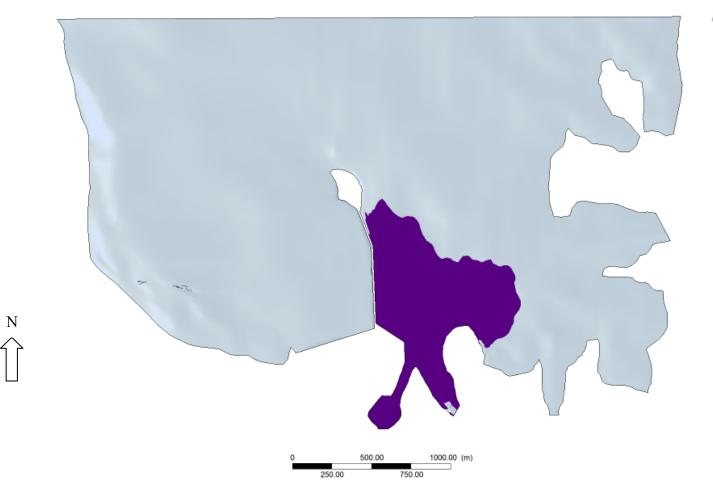


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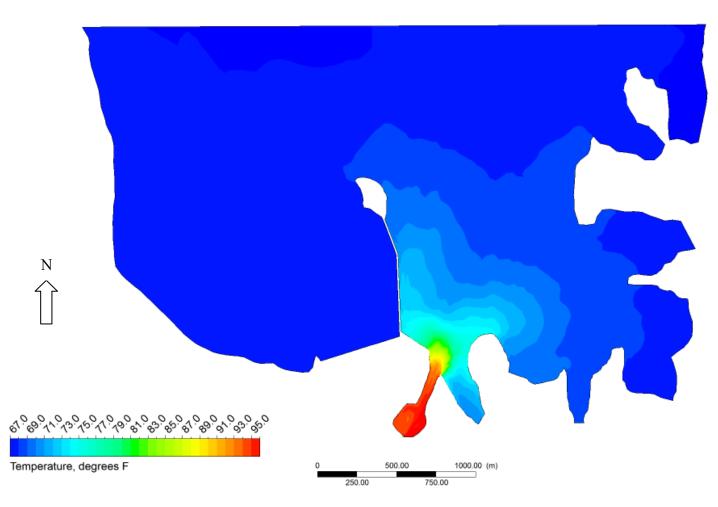


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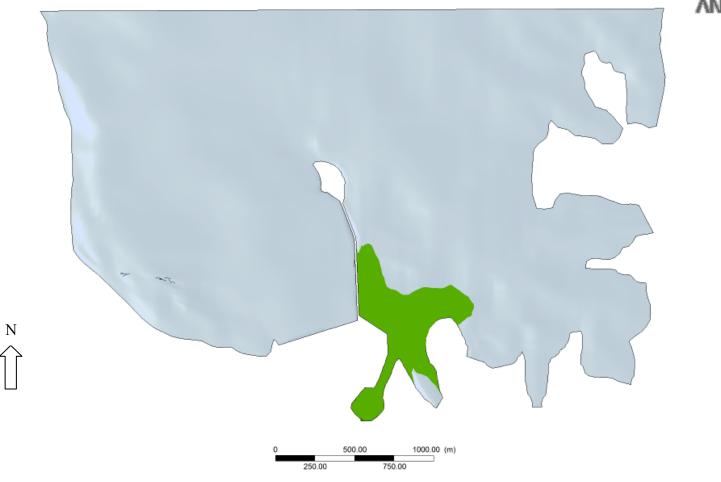


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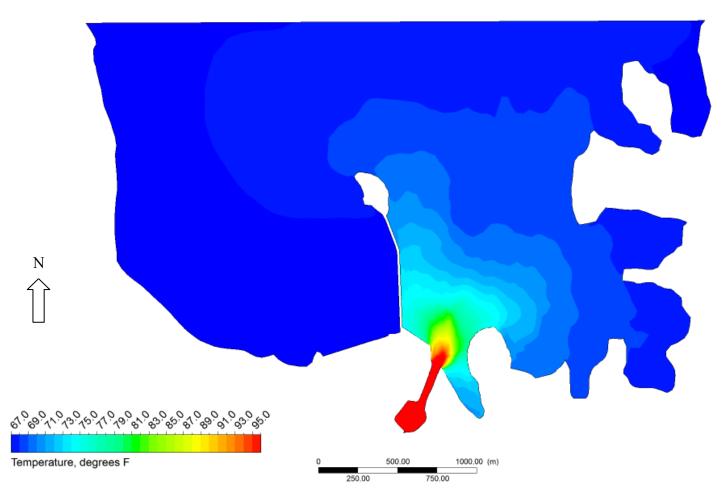


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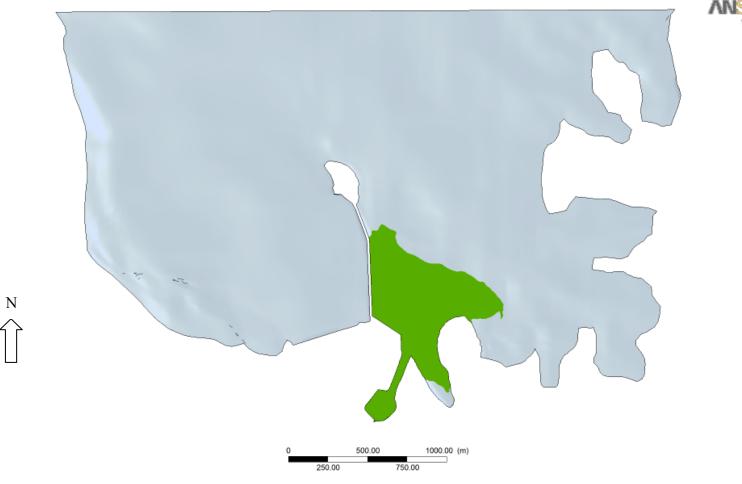


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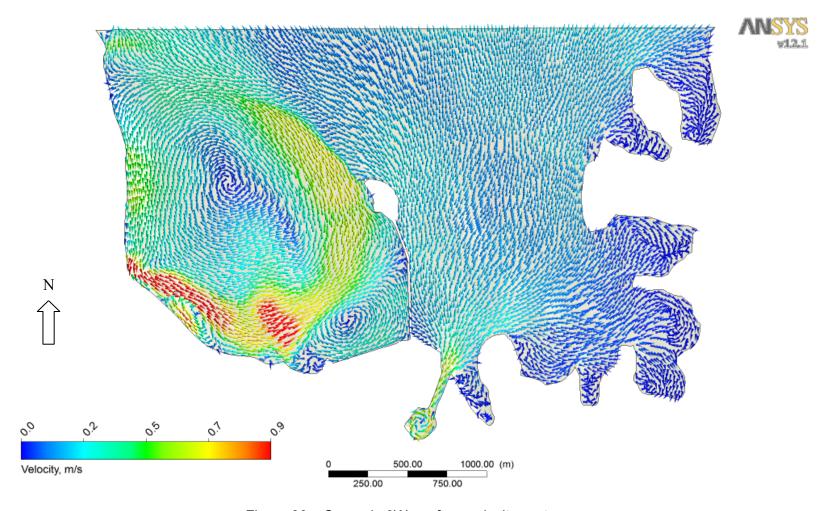


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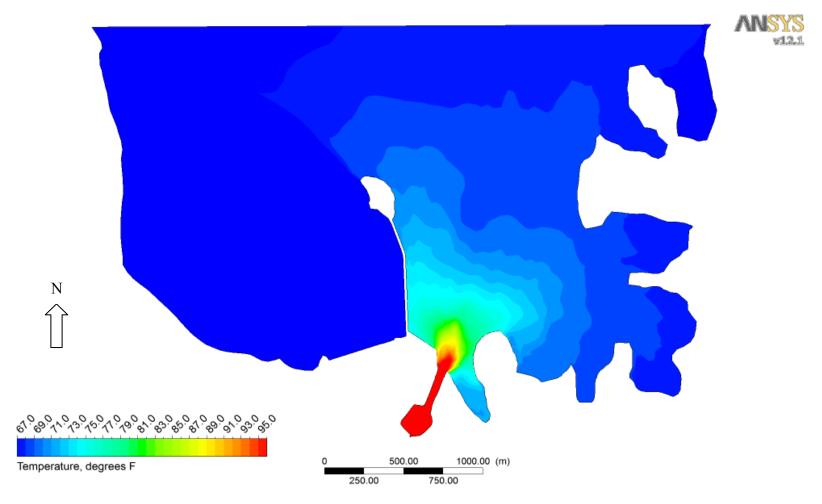


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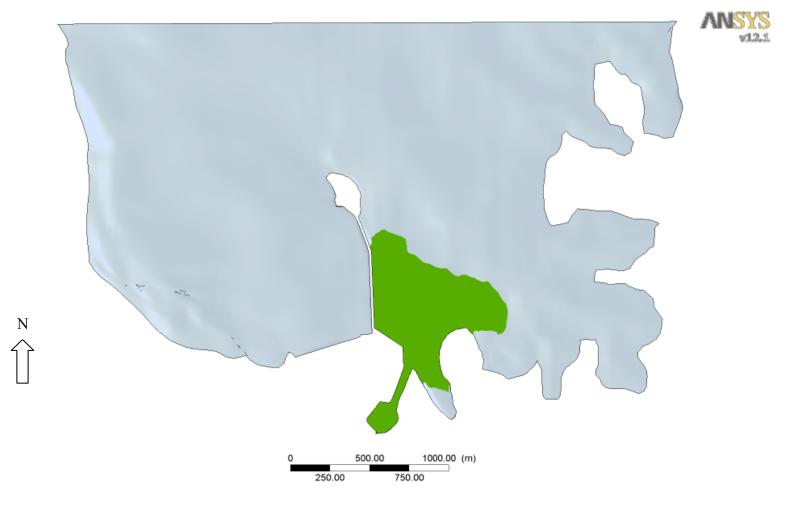


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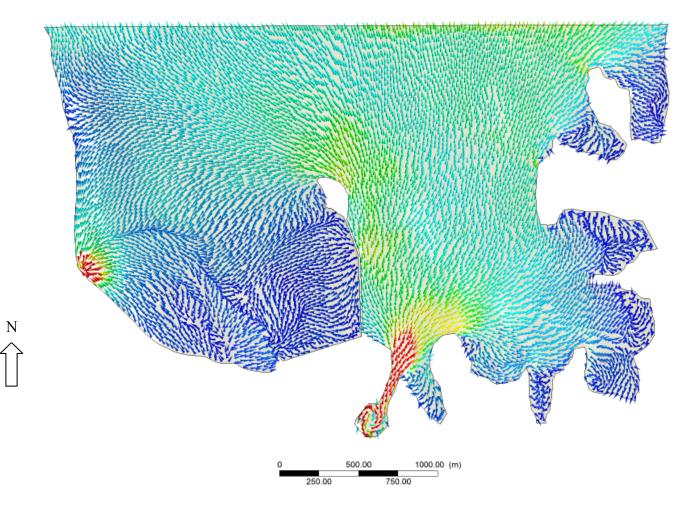


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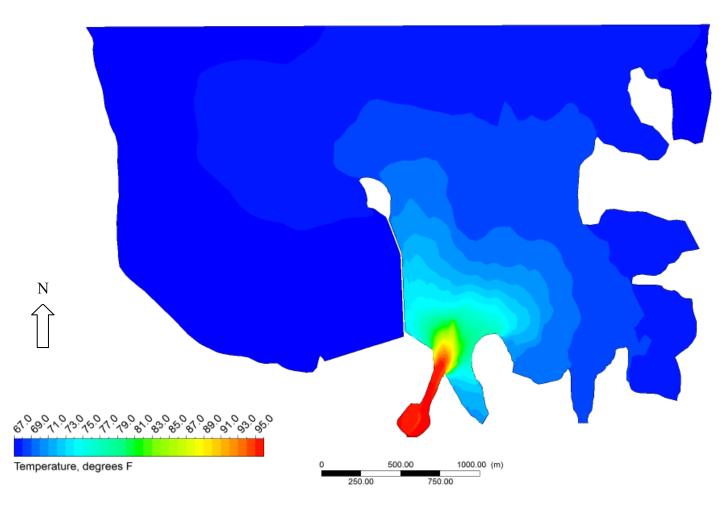


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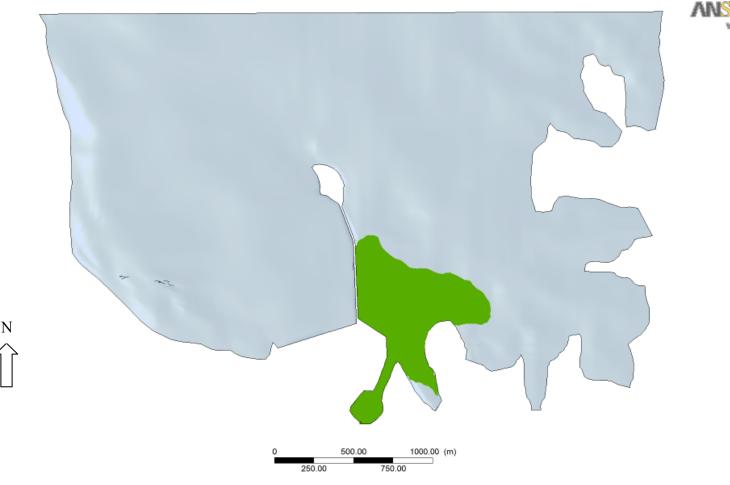


Figure 35 – Scenario 4W,  $\Delta T$  = 5°F thermal plume (green).



#### 12. APPENDIX A – DETAILS OF THE NUMERICAL MODEL

#### **Geometry and Mesh**

The geometry and mesh generation were described in §2 of this report. A custom-built digitizer in Matlab was used to digitized the contour map, and produce a surface. This surface was read into the ICEM mesh generator to create the meshes.

#### **Boundary Conditions**

The primary boundary condition in the CFD model was the flow rate and temperature applied discharge. In all simulations, a point source (or sink) was used to represent the flow being withdrawn through the cooling water intakes. Similarly, where the FPSF was operating, a mass and directional momentum point source was employed. The north surface of the domain was a zero-pressure "opening". This allows fluid to flow into the domain through the north boundary without exerting unphysical influence on the flow. The bottom surface of the domain was set to a "wall" and the top surface, representing the water surface, was set to a "smooth wall" (i.e. no shear stress).

# **Computational Models**

#### **Thermodynamic**

The density of water in the domain depended on temperature only, using a tested polynomial relationship between density and temperature.

#### **Turbulence**

The shear-stress transport model (SST) was used for all simulations, which is a blend of the well-recognized k- $\varepsilon$  and k- $\omega$  turbulence models.

#### **Numerics**

#### Model

All simulations were performed using Ansys-CFX 12.0, a widely recognized industrial CFD software package. The model was run in steady-state mode as transient instabilities were not observed.



#### **Discretization**

For the simulation, a specified blend factor of 0.5 was used, which is a blend between first- and second-order schemes. This scheme was used to provide a balance between numerical accuracy and stability.

The temporal term in the transient simulations was discretized using a second-order implicit Euler scheme.

#### Convergence

The root-mean-square residuals were less than 1e-04 for all transport equations solved. This level of convergence is acceptable for a transient simulation, especially as the volume of the thermal plumes was not observed to change. Imbalances for all conserved variables were less than 1%.





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#### 1. INTRODUCTION

South Carolina Electric and Gas Company (SCE&G, a subsidiary of SCANA Corporation) is making an application to the South Carolina Department of Health and Environmental Control (SCDHEC) for a renewal of its National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) permit for Unit 1 of the Virgil C. Summer Nuclear Station (VCSNS). VCSNS is located in Fairfield County near Jenkinsville, South Carolina.

Geosyntec Consultants (Geosyntec), and its wholly-owned subsidiary MMI Engineering (MMI), have supported SCE&G in the permit application process by providing modeling studies to determine the size of thermal mixing zones in Monticello Reservoir due to cooling water discharges from VCSNS Unit 1. This was reported in Geosyntec report *Thermal Mixing Zone Evaluation Virgil C. Summer Nuclear Station NPDES Permit* (Geosyntec Project reference GR4796; date January 9, 2012).

SCDHEC has since reviewed the report on the thermal plume sizes and has requested further information from SCE&G. This has included a request for additional modeling to determine the thermal plume sizes under the discharge conditions stated on the NPDES permit application and with revised ambient temperatures representing the highest and lowest ambient temperatures recorded over a longer period than used in the earlier modeling work.

This report is an addendum to the earlier thermal mixing zone report to provide the results of the additional models. As far as possible, the same model set ups have been used as in the original reported work with changes made only to the boundary and initial conditions in Monticello Reservoir to meet SCDHEC's request. This report is focused to provide principally the results of the additional modeling scenarios and does not include the full background to the work and computational model detail. As such, it should be read in conjunction with the original report.

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#### 2. MODELED TEMPERATURES

#### 2.1 Reservoir Ambient Temperature

The preceding work used ambient temperatures in Monticello Reservoir which were based on Discharge Monitoring Report (DMR) temperature data for VCSNS Unit 1 for 2010, the most recent complete year of temperature monitoring data at the time. These ambient reservoir temperatures were:

- Summer Condition: 86.4°F this was the highest monthly-averaged temperature measured at the Unit 1 intakes in 2010.
- Winter Condition:  $66.6^{\circ}F$  this was the reservoir temperature when the highest monthly-averaged change in temperature ( $\Delta T$ ) was recorded in 2010 between the reservoir ambient conditions and the Unit 1 cooling water discharge.

To address SCDHEC questions about the original model runs, SCE&G compiled DMR temperature data for VCSNS Unit 1 for a 10-year period from 2003 through 2012. Inspection of the 10-year data set revealed that the monthly average intake temperature of 86.4°F recorded in August 2010, which was used in the modeling of summer critical conditions, was the highest monthly average intake temperature in the 10-year data set.

Based on review of the longer-term data and SCE&G's proposal to maintain 113°F as a daily maximum discharge limit year-round, SCDHEC requested additional modeling runs using the highest and lowest ambient temperatures from the 10-year temperature data set. Specifically, SCDHEC requested that the additional model scenarios use the highest possible discharge temperature of 113°F for summer and winter model runs and these ambient reservoir temperatures:

- Summer Condition: 87.9°F this was the highest daily maximum Unit 1 intake temperature recorded from 2003 through 2012 (July 2010).
- Winter Condition: 46.4°F this was a low monthly-averaged Unit 1 intake temperature recorded from 2003 through 2012 (January 2010).





# 2.2 <u>Nuclear Station Cooling Water Discharge Temperature</u>

In the preceding work, the VCSNS Unit 1 cooling water discharge temperatures were set to 113°F (summer) and 98.7°F (winter).

For the current calculations, the cooling water discharge temperature has been set to 113°F for both summer and winter conditions to match the NPDES permit application and as requested by SCDHEC.



#### 3. MODELED SCENARIOS

There are four principal scenarios for Monticello Reservoir which were tested in the preceding work for both summer and winter temperature conditions:

- 1. **Scenario 1** Thermal discharge under peak load and discharge flow with Monticello Reservoir elevation under <u>high water-slack</u> conditions (no flow through Fairfield Pumped Storage Facility [FPSF]).
- 2. **Scenario 2** Thermal discharge under peak load and discharge flow with Monticello Reservoir elevation under <u>low water-slack</u> conditions (no flow through FPSF).
- 3. **Scenario 3** Thermal discharge under peak load and discharge flow with Monticello Reservoir elevation under <u>low water-rising</u> conditions (FPSF pump-back); and
- 4. **Scenario 4** Thermal discharge under peak load and discharge flow with Monticello Reservoir elevation under <u>high water-falling</u> conditions (FPSF generation).

All four scenarios were calculated in the preceding work, as it was not possible to determine *a priori* which scenario would provide the worst case in terms of the 90°F plume size (summer) and  $\Delta T > 5$ °F plume size (winter).

For the current work under summer conditions, it has been judged that there is only a small change in temperatures compared with the preceding work – the discharge temperature remains the same (113°F) and the ambient temperature has increased by only 1.5°F. It can be reasonably assumed that the worst scenario previously calculated would also be the worst case for the new temperature conditions. This was Scenario 4 (High water Level; FPSF generating), which is the only summer condition case to have been recalculated in the current work.

Under winter conditions, the current requirement for discharge and ambient temperatures has changed more considerably compared with the preceding calculations (discharge temperature has increased from 98.7°F to 113°F; ambient temperature has decreased from 66.6°F to 46.4°F). Given these large variations, it has not been possible





reasonably to assume that the worst case will remain the same as previously calculated. Hence, all four winter scenarios have been re-calculated in the current work.

The cases which have been calculated in the current work are summarized in Table 1. Scenarios denoted with a "W" are the winter runs and the scenario denoted with an "S" is the summer run.

**Table 1.** Scenarios Calculated in the Current Work

Case	Scenario	Water Level (feet)	FPSF (cfs)	Discharge Temp (* F)	Ambient Temp (* F)	Cooling Water Flow (gpm)
1	1W	425.0	0	113	46.4	532,000
2	2W	420.5	0	113	46.4	532,000
3	3W	420.5	41800	113	46.4	532,000
4	4W	425.0	-50400	113	46.4	532,000
5	48	425.0	-50400	113	87.9	532,000



#### 4. COMPUTATIONAL MODEL

As far as was possible, the same modeling conditions were applied to the computational model in the current work as were used in the preceding work. This has been considered essential for direct comparison of cases. The changes that have been made and their potential effect on the results are noted in the following sub-sections.

#### 4.1 Geometry and Mesh

The exact same geometry and mesh that were used in the preceding work have been used in the current work.

#### 4.2 Boundary and Initial Conditions

All boundary and initial conditions have been applied in the same manner, with the only changes being to the specified values of ambient and cooling water discharge temperatures.

# 4.3 <u>Computational Models</u>

The thermodynamic model has retained the same dependence of water density on temperature only using the same tested polynomial relationship.

The same Shear Stress Transport (SST) turbulence model has been used for all calculations.

#### 4.4 Numerical Models

The preceding work used the ANSYS-CFX v12.0 software to perform the calculations; this is a commercially available, general purpose Computational Fluid Dynamics (CFD) software package which is widely applied throughout a range of industries. The current work has used a later release of the same software ANSYS-CFX v14.0<sup>1</sup>. There are no changes to the solution method between these releases.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> ANSYS releases a new version of the code generally every 12 months; the new versions typically have new models for more esoteric calculations (combustion; 2-phase flow; reaction kinetics, etc.) and some bug fixes. However the underlying engine of the software has not changed since they released v5 in the mid 1990's. There have been no changes between v12 and v14 to the sub-set of models we are using in this analysis.



The preceding work used time-dependent ("transient") calculations to determine the plume sizes. Although there was no variation of the flow conditions with time, a time-dependent solution method is required to resolve the thermal buoyancy forces which are significant in large parts of the reservoir. The same approach has been used in the current work.

For spatial discretization<sup>2</sup>, the preceding work used a specified blend factor between first and second order schemes for all transported variables, with a blend factor of 0.5. In the current work a hybrid differencing scheme has been used, which applies second-order differencing as widely as possible in the domain, only reverting to first-order differencing in regions of high gradients in the transported variables. This was largely a change in style, rather than substance. The hybrid scheme has the potential to be marginally more accurate, but with perhaps slightly less stability.

For temporal discretization<sup>3</sup>, the preceding work used a second-order implicit Euler scheme. In the current work, a first-order implicit Euler scheme was used as the second-order scheme is only considered essential where there are true transient conditions, rather than using a transient scheme to reach a steady solution.

Convergence in the preceding work was judged to be achieved by three metrics: (i) when the Root-Mean-Square (RMS) residuals were reduced below 1.0e-4 for all transport equations solved at each time step in the time-dependent solution; (ii) when the variable imbalances for all conserved variables were less than 1 percent; (iii) when the thermal plume sizes were observed not to vary in time. The same approach has been used in the current work with the exception that RMS residuals were reduced to 1.0e-5. This was largely a change in style, rather than substance.

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 $<sup>^2</sup>$  Discretization describes a numerical technique which is used in computational models. The flow domain – in this case the reservoir – is split into a very large number of grid cells, typically  $10^5 - 10^6$  and the flow details (velocity, pressure, temperature, turbulence) are calculated in each grid cell. The numerical method must have some means of passing information between neighbouring cells and other near-neighbours – this is the spatial discretization scheme.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Similarly the flow data must be passed between time steps – this requires the temporal discretization scheme





#### 5. RESULTS

#### 5.1 Preceding Work

The principal results for plume sizes which were calculated in the preceding work are repeated here for comparison. Only the results for the cases which have been re-run in the current work are shown in Table 2. The average depths have been updated to be somewhat greater, as they were not presented correctly in the preceding report<sup>4</sup>; the plume volume, area, and average depth are the same.

The following thermal conditions were used in the preceding work:

- Winter: ambient temperature: 66.6°F; discharge temperature: 98.7°F.
- Summer: ambient temperature: 86.4°F; discharge temperature: 113°F.

**Table 2.** Calculated Plume Sizes Repeated from the Preceding Work

Case	Scenario	Volume (acre-ft)	Surface Area (acre)	Average Depth (ft)	Maximum Depth (ft)			
		Winter Condit	ions $\Delta T = 5$ °F					
1	1W	799	77	10.4	40			
2	2W	1,005	107	9.4	36			
3	3W	1,148	120	9.6	36			
4	4W	1,043	110	9.5	40			
	Summer Conditions $T = 90^{\circ}F$							
5	4S	1,790	163	6.1	40			

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> The results from the preceding analysis were originally provided in the tables in Section 7 "Results Summary – T = 90°F Plume" and Section 8 "Results Summary –  $\Delta T = 5$ °F Plume" of report: *Thermal Mixing Zone Evaluation Virgil C. Summer Nuclear Station NPDES Permit* (Geosyntec Project reference GR4796; date January 9, 2012).



# 5.2 Current Work

The equivalent results for the plume sizes calculated in the current work are shown in Table 3.

The following thermal conditions were used in the current work:

- Winter: ambient temperature: 46.4°F; discharge temperature: 113°F.
- Summer: ambient temperature: 87.9°F; discharge temperature: 113°F.

Table 3. Calculated Plume Sizes from the Current Work

Case	Scenario	Volume (acre-ft)	Surface Area (acre)	Average Depth (ft)	Maximum Depth (ft)			
Winter Conditions $\Delta T = 5$ °F								
1	1W	1,031	125	8.2	40			
2	2W	1,109	388	2.9	36			
3	3W	1,246	130	9.6	36			
4	4W	1,503	218	6.9	40			
Summer Conditions $T = 90^{\circ}F$								
5	4S	4,841	378	12.8	40			

Contour plots showing the extent of the thermal plumes at the surface of the reservoir for each case are presented in Figures 1 through 5.



#### 5.3 Results Discussion – Winter Condition

The preceding work showed that the worst case in winter was Scenario 3 (low water; pump-back operation at FPSF). This was the worst case for both the  $\Delta T = 5$ °F plume volume and area on the reservoir surface.

In the current work, the worst case for  $\Delta T > 5^{\circ}F$  plume volume is Scenario 4 (high water; generation at FPSF) and the worst case for area on the surface of the reservoir is Scenario 2 (low water; no flow through FPSF) (Table 3). The  $\Delta T > 5^{\circ}F$  plume remains to the east of the island at the end of the jetty (Figures 1, 3, and 4) for all cases except Scenario 2, where it just passes around the northernmost extent of the island (Figure 2).

In general, the plumes calculated with the ambient temperature  $46.4^{\circ}F$  and discharge temperature  $113^{\circ}F$  (Table 3) have greater volume and greater extent on the surface of the reservoir than the equivalent plumes in the preceding work with ambient temperature  $66.6^{\circ}F$  and discharge temperature  $98.7^{\circ}F$  (Table 2). There are a number of effects which influence this. Firstly, the higher discharge temperature results in a greater body of water with  $\Delta T > 5^{\circ}F$ ; the lower ambient temperature also acts to increase this plume size. However, counter to that, the lower ambient temperature also provides a greater cooling effect and has the potential to reduce the thermal plume size. Overall, it appears that the increased discharge temperature and lower ambient temperature act to increase the size of the winter thermal plume, as defined by  $\Delta T > 5^{\circ}F$ , to a greater extent than the lower ambient temperature provides cooling.

Scenario 2 is also slightly unusual in that the average plume depth (or thickness) is shallow; this increases its area on the surface of the reservoir relative to the other scenarios. This is most likely due to the low water level used in Scenario 2, which is set at 420.5 ft mean sea level (msl), compared with the high water level cases using 425 ft msl. Scenario 3 also has the low water level, but there is increased mixing in the reservoir due to pump-back operations at FPSF.



# 5.4 Results Discussion – Summer Condition

The  $T=90^{\circ}F$  thermal plume for Scenario 4 (high water; generation at FPSF) is considerably larger for the current conditions than in the preceding work. The increase is evident in the volume, extent on the surface area, and depth of the thermal plume (Tables 2 and 3).

The only change in the conditions for this scenario was the increase in the ambient temperature from  $86.4^{\circ}F$  to  $87.9^{\circ}F$ . Although this is a small increase, it is significantly closer to the  $T = 90^{\circ}F$  limit that defines the thermal plume, and thus less able to cool the discharged water.

As shown in Figure 5, the thermal plume remains to the east of the island and does not extend towards the FPSF or the VCSNS Unit 1 cooling water intake structure.



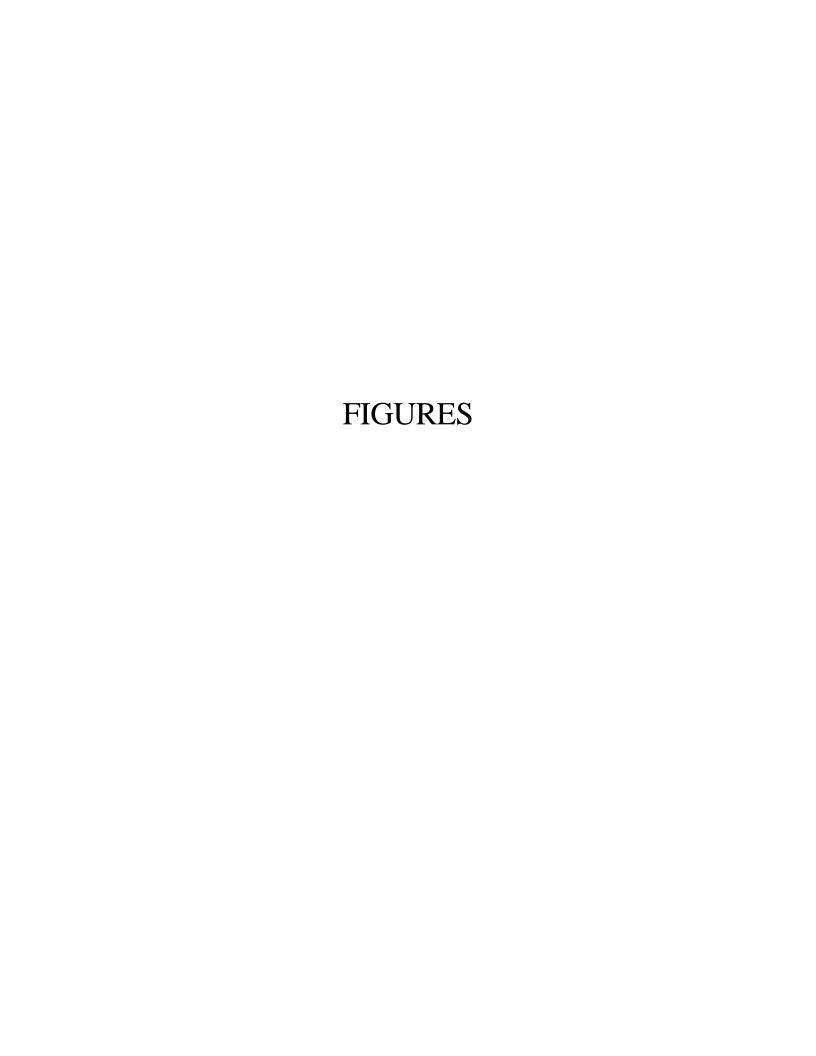
#### 6. CONCLUSIONS

Additional calculations have been carried out for cooling water discharges from VCSNS Unit 1 into Monticello Reservoir. The additional calculations have been made at the request of SCDHEC to investigate a number of effects: lower ambient temperature in the winter; higher ambient temperature in the summer; and cooling water discharge of 113°F in the winter.

In winter, reducing the ambient temperature in the reservoir and increasing the cooling water discharge temperature has the effect of increasing slightly the  $\Delta T > 5$ °F thermal plume size. The worst case for plume volume is Scenario 4 (high water; FPSF pumping back to Monticello Reservoir) and worst case for plume area on the reservoir surface is Scenario 2 (low water; no flow through FPSF). The  $\Delta T > 5$ °F plume remains to the east of the island at the end of the jetty (located between the VCSNS cooling water intake structure and the discharge point) for all cases except Scenario 2, where it just passes around the northernmost extent of the island.

In summer, increasing the ambient temperature in the reservoir to  $87.9^{\circ}F$  has a large effect on the  $T = 90^{\circ}F$  thermal plume. This is because there is little cooling potential in the reservoir when the ambient temperature is already close to the thermal plume limit. However, the thermal plume remains to the east of the island.

Both winter and summer cases show larger thermal plumes than were calculated in the preceding work, due to the revised ambient and discharge temperatures specified by SCDHEC. However, it is significant that in all cases calculated, the thermal plumes due to the cooling water discharge remain entirely or predominantly to the east of the island that separates the VCSNS cooling water intake structure and discharge. The thermal plumes do not approach the FPSF intake, the VCSNS Unit 1 cooling water intake structure, or the northern reach of Monticello Reservoir.



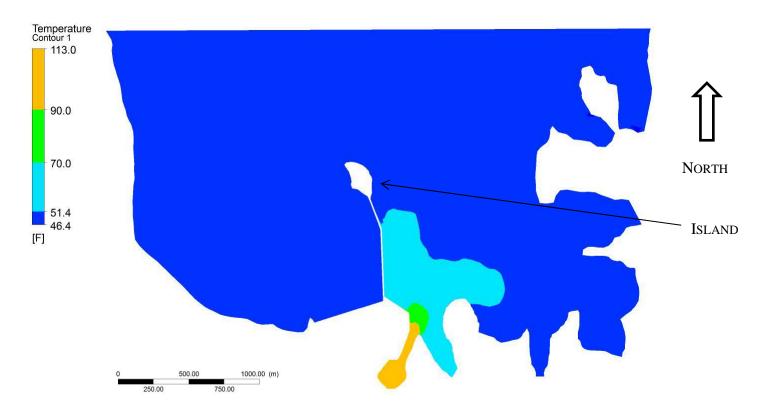


Figure 1. Scenario 1: Winter - High Water; No Flow through FPSF.

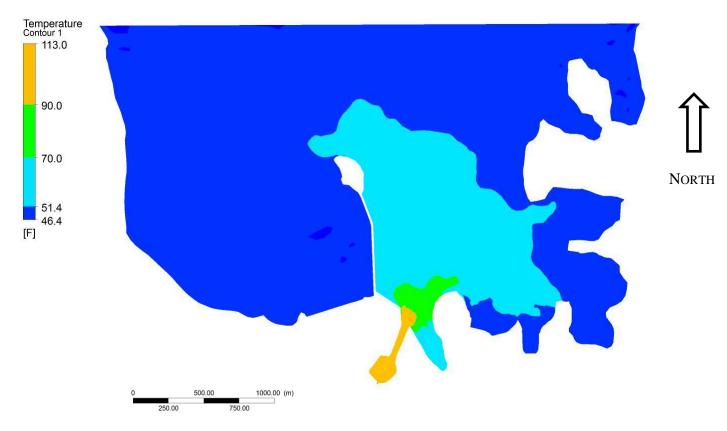


Figure 2. Scenario 2: Winter - Low Water; No Flow through FPSF.

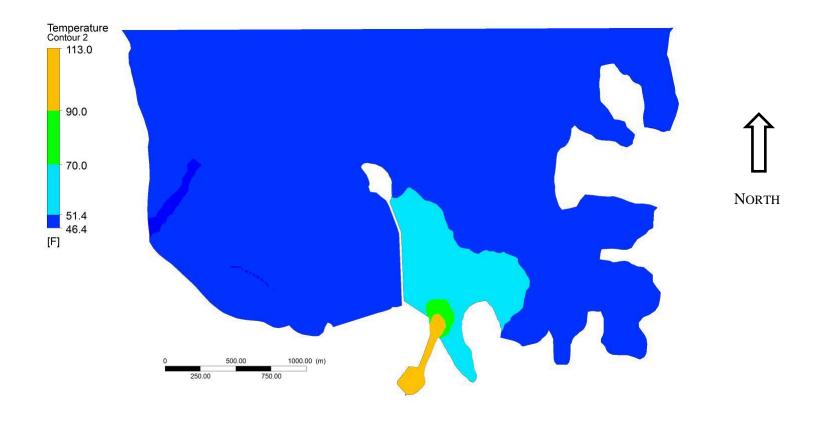


Figure 3. Scenario 3: Winter - Low Water; FPSF Pumping Back to Reservoir.

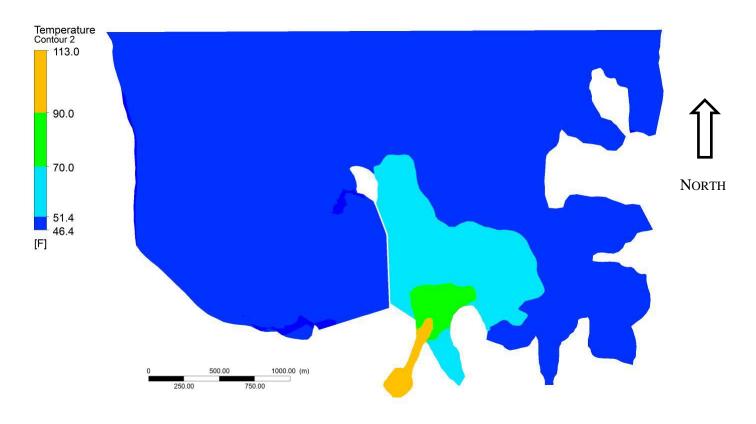


Figure 4. Scenario 4: Winter - High Water; FPSF Generating (Discharging from Reservoir).

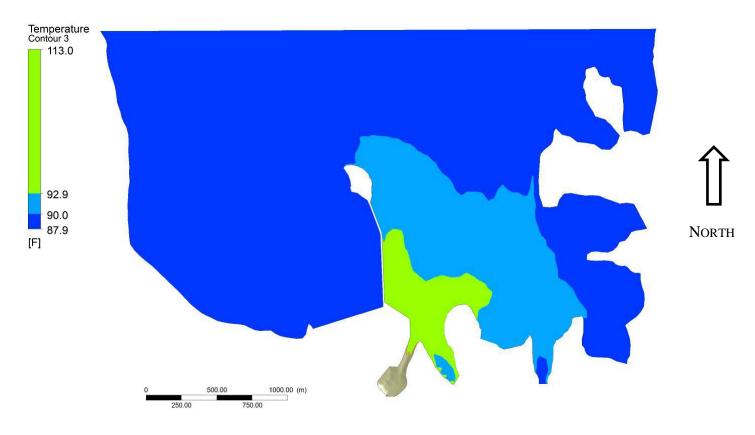
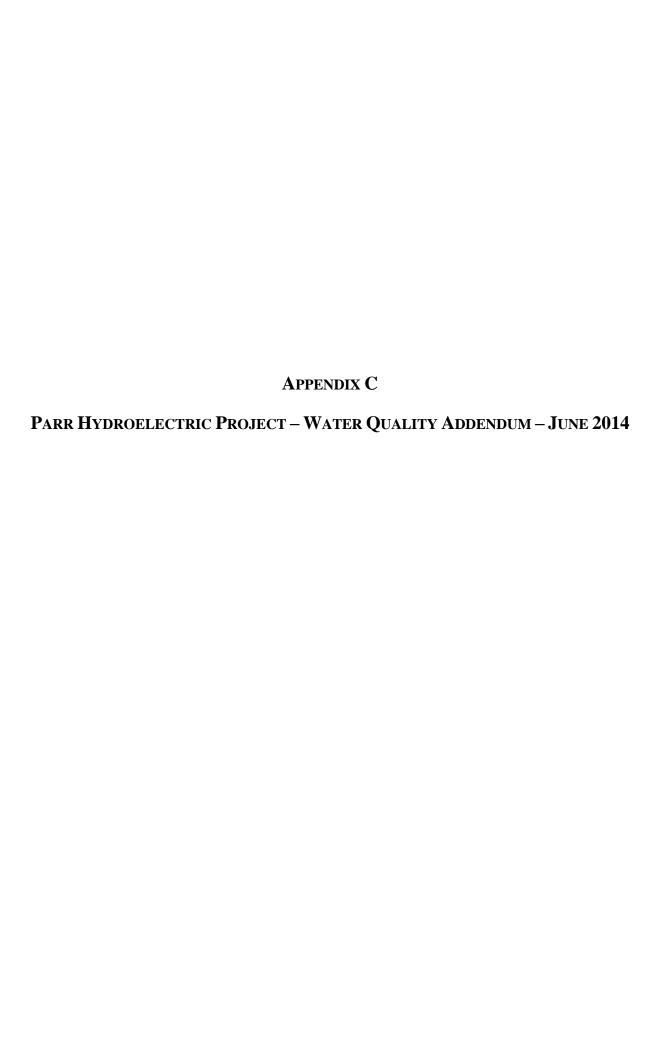


Figure 5. Scenario 4: Summer - High Water; FPSF Generating (Discharging from Reservoir).

Contour plot showing the extent of the  $T=90^{\circ}F$  plume; also shown is  $\Delta T > 5^{\circ}F$  plume which for  $T_{ambient}=87.9^{\circ}F$  has the value  $T_{plume}=92.9^{\circ}F$ 



At the Water Quality TWC meeting on February 4, 2014, the TWC noted that the Parr Water Quality Report identified multiple dissolved oxygen (DO) levels below 4.0 mg/l in the Parr Shoals Dam tailrace. The TWC agreed that SCE&G would consolidate historic USGS data to examine those excursions and to provide any operations that might be associated with the data. SCE&G requested hourly DO, temperature and river flow data from 2004 through 2013 for the following USGS stations:

- 1. USGS 02160991 Broad River near Jenkinsville, SC
- 2. USGS 02156500 Broad River near Carlisle, SC
- 3. USGS 02160700 Enoree River at Whitmire, SC
- 4. USGS 02160105 Tyger River near Delta, SC

Our analysis of the data focused on the period from July through September of each year from 2004 through 2013. For this analysis, we plotted hourly readings of flow, temperature, and DO levels at each of the gage stations. Those plots and the raw data will be available to the TWC upon request. Included below are data from the Jenkinsville gage, located immediately downstream of the Parr Shoals Dam along the east bank of the tailrace (FIGURE 1 through FIGURE 10). Since flow data is not collected at the Jenkinsville gage, flow data from the Alston gage, USGS 02161000, was used.

FIGURE 1 2004 TEMPERATURE AND DISSOLVED OXYGEN AT USGS 02160991; AND FLOW AT USGS 02161000

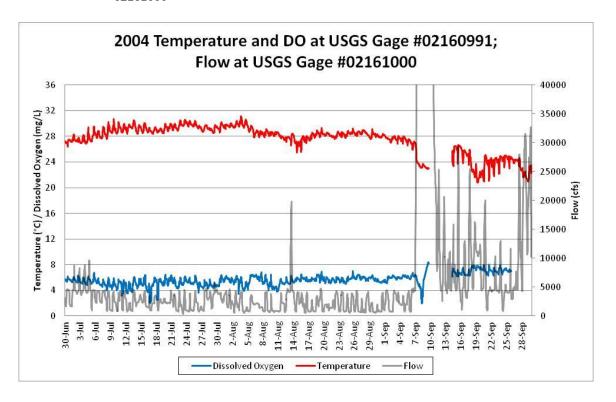


FIGURE 2 2005 TEMPERATURE AND DISSOLVED OXYGEN AT USGS 02160991; AND FLOW AT USGS 02161000

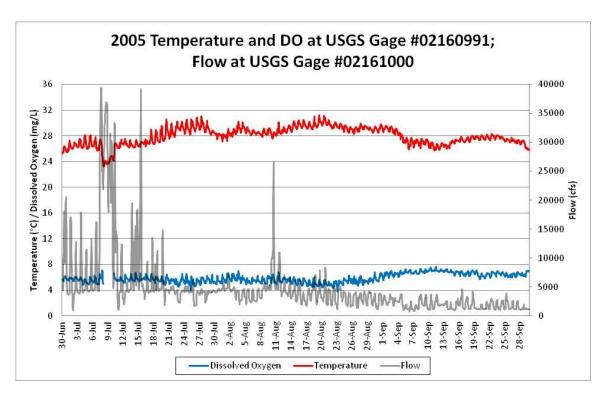


FIGURE 3 2006 TEMPERATURE AND DISSOLVED OXYGEN AT USGS 02160991; AND FLOW AT USGS 02161000

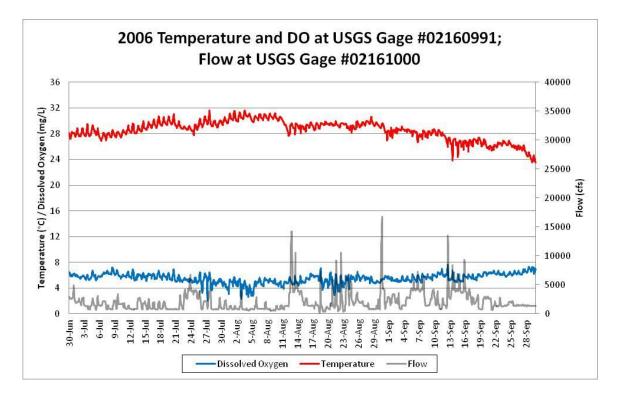


FIGURE 4 2007 TEMPERATURE AND DISSOLVED OXYGEN AT USGS 02160991; AND FLOW AT USGS 02161000

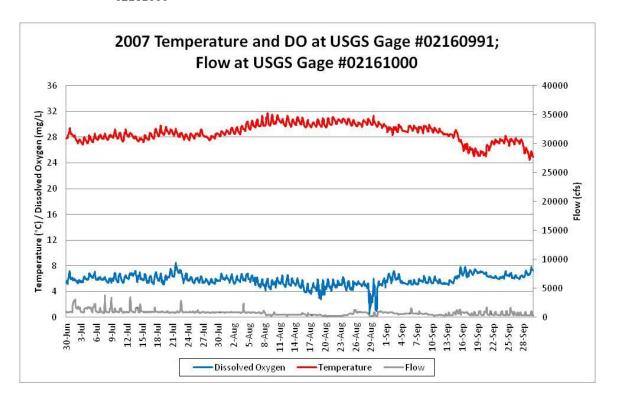


FIGURE 5 2008 TEMPERATURE AND DISSOLVED OXYGEN AT USGS 02160991; AND FLOW AT USGS 02161000

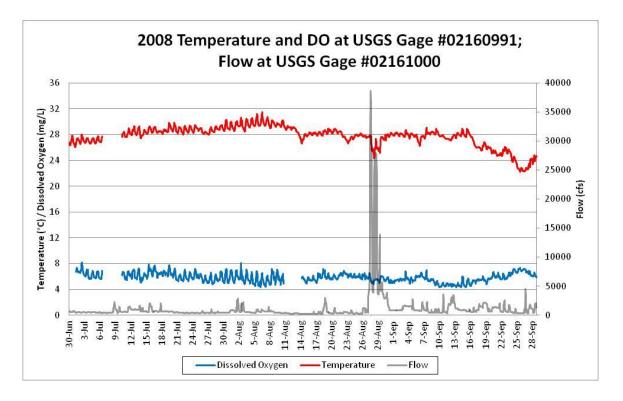


FIGURE 6 2009 TEMPERATURE AND DISSOLVED OXYGEN AT USGS 02160991; AND FLOW AT USGS 02161000

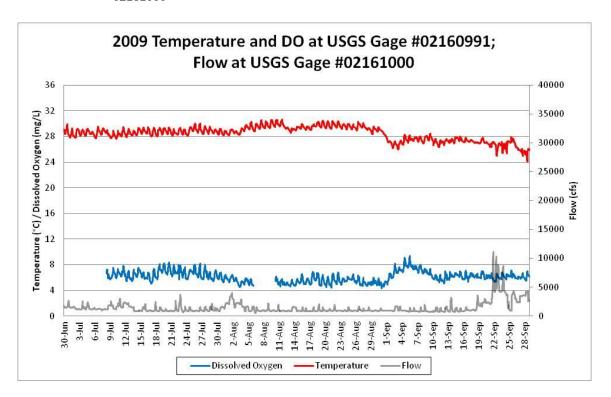


FIGURE 7 2010 TEMPERATURE AND DISSOLVED OXYGEN AT USGS 02160991; AND FLOW AT USGS 02161000

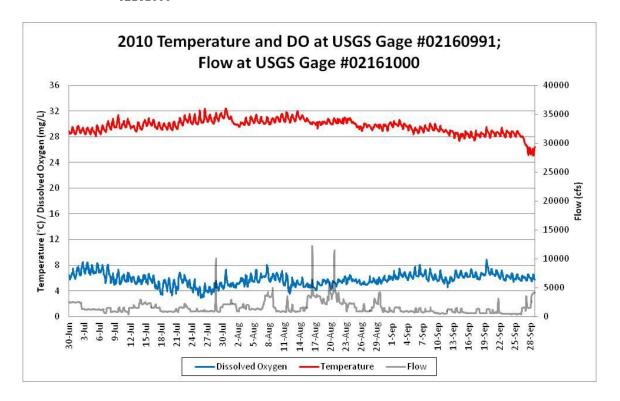


FIGURE 8 2011 TEMPERATURE AND DISSOLVED OXYGEN AT USGS 02160991; AND FLOW AT USGS 02161000

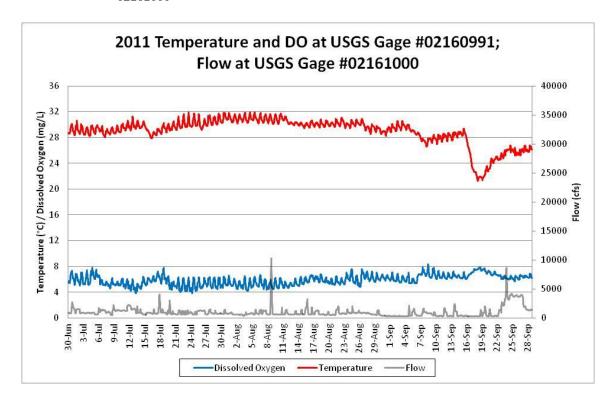


FIGURE 9 2012 TEMPERATURE AND DISSOLVED OXYGEN AT USGS 02160991; AND FLOW AT USGS 02161000

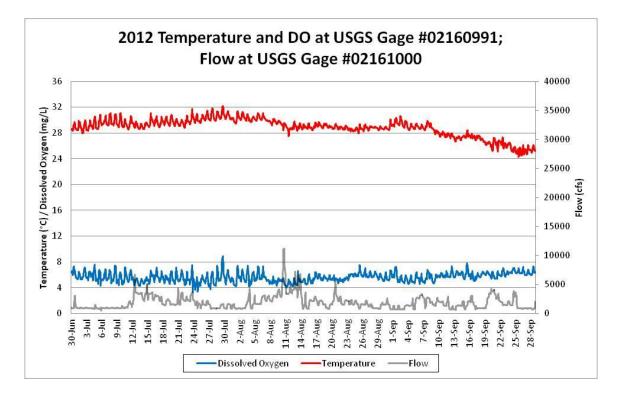
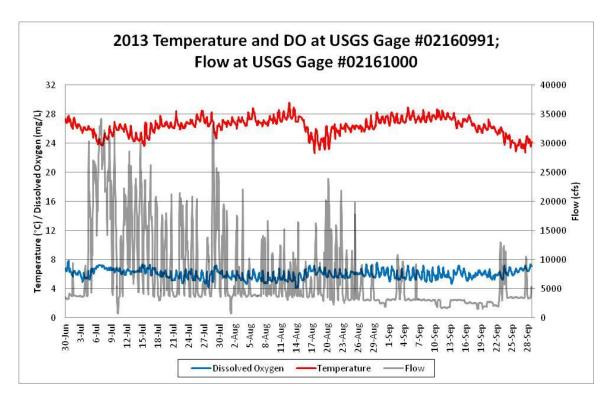


FIGURE 10 2013 TEMPERATURE AND DISSOLVED OXYGEN AT USGS 02160991; AND FLOW AT USGS 02161000



Review of the data verified that there are periodic excursions of DO levels less than 4.0 mg/l. These events are not consistent from year to year and do not typically have a long duration. We have presented representative excerpts of the raw data in TABLE 1 through TABLE 4 to demonstrate the month, flow, temperature, time of day, and DO level experienced.

TABLE 1 JULY 19-20, 2010: DO EXCURSION

Date	Time	DO (mg/L)	Temperature (°C)	Flow (cfs)
7/19/2010	9:00 pm	4.3	29.5	900.7
7/19/2010	10:00 pm	4.0	29.4	900.7
7/19/2010	11:00 pm	3.7	29.4	900.7
7/20/2010	12:00 am	3.9	29.3	900.7
7/20/2010	1:00 am	3.8	29.3	900.7
7/20/2010	2:00 am	3.8	29.2	888.0
7/20/2010	3:00 am	3.7	29.2	875.3
7/20/2010	4:00 am	3.6	29.1	862.7
7/20/2010	5:00 am	3.3	29.1	862.7
7/20/2010	6:00 am	3.7	29.0	837.7
7/20/2010	7:00 am	4.0	29.1	837.7
7/20/2010	8:00 am	4.5	29.2	825.3

TABLE 2 JULY 13, 2011: DO EXCURSION

Date	Time	DO (mg/L)	Temperature (°C)	Flow (cfs)
7/13/2011	5:00 am	4.6	29.7	1474.9
7/13/2011	6:00 am	3.9	29.3	1369.9
7/13/2011	7:00 am	3.8	29.3	939.3
7/13/2011	8:00 am	4.1	29.5	812.9

TABLE 3 JULY 24, 2012: DO EXCURSION

Date	Time	DO (mg/L)	Temperature (°C)	Flow (cfs)
7/24/2012	6:00 am	4.2	29.6	2107.6
7/24/2012	7:00 am	3.9	29.6	1789.4
7/24/2012	8:00 am	3.6	29.5	1536.0
7/24/2012	9:00 am	3.9	29.7	1459.7
7/24/2012	10:00 am	4.3	30.1	1429.5
7/24/2012	11:00 am	4.3	30.1	1429.5
7/24/2012	12:00 pm	4.4	30.2	1444.6
7/24/2012	1:00 pm	4.4	30.3	1444.6
7/24/2012	2:00 pm	4.7	30.6	1399.6
7/24/2012	3:00 pm	5.6	30.9	1444.6
7/24/2012	4:00 pm	5.7	31.0	1954.6
7/24/2012	5:00 pm	5.5	30.9	2124.8
7/24/2012	6:00 pm	4.8	30.8	1971.4
7/24/2012	7:00 pm	3.5	30.1	1154.4
7/24/2012	8:00 pm	3.4	29.9	875.3
7/24/2012	9:00 pm	3.6	29.9	1520.7
7/24/2012	10:00 pm	3.6	29.9	1676.9
7/24/2012	11:00 pm	4.1	29.9	1724.8

TABLE 4 JULY 27, 2012: DO EXCURSION

Date	Time	DO (mg/L)	Temperature (°C)	Flow (cfs)
7/27/2012	6:00 am	4.2	30.0	1490.1
7/27/2012	7:00 am	3.7	29.9	1196.5
7/27/2012	8:00 am	3.8	30.0	900.7
7/27/2012	9:00 am	4.3	30.0	837.7

Our review of this data lead us to the conclusion that the low DO levels frequently occur during the early morning hours when DO levels often begin to decline (diel fluctuation) and flows begin to decline. Based on this observation we reviewed the location of the USGS monitor which is located along the bank in a back eddy just downstream of the Parr Shoals Dam. We also asked the USGS to provide any information they had on the type of monitoring equipment used and how it had changed over time. The following is a consolidation of email excerpts that we received from Michael Hall of the USGS:

The current DO probe that the USGS uses at the Parr Dam monitoring site is a YSI 6150 ROX, which is an optical DO probe with a self cleaning wiper system. Looking back over the last year and a half, there have been no corrections needed to the sensor data for fouling or calibration drift. The sensors and sonde are cleaned at least monthly, but sometimes more often in the summer months if needed. The DO membrane itself rarely has any visible fouling because of the wiper system. Calibration is checked monthly and readings are also verified at each visit with a separate calibrated field meter. YSI states that the accuracy of the ROX DO is +/- 0.1 mg/L or 1% of reading, whichever is greater. The USGS applies corrections to the data if the combined fouling and drift differences exceed +/- 0.3 mg/L.

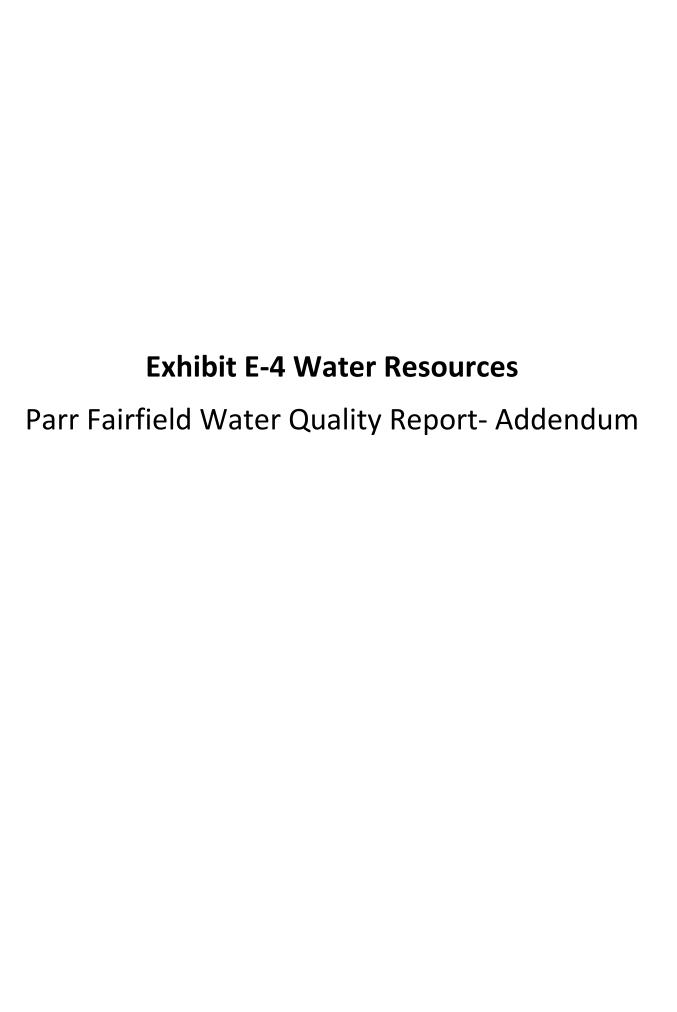
[USGS hasn't] noticed any issues with the quality of the readings and can't ever recall the water being stagnant where the sonde housing is placed. The flow at the sonde is mostly negative due to a swirling motion, but any debris or other trash that is floating in the pool gets "flushed" fairly quickly, so I would assume the water is constantly being refreshed. If you would like, we can arrange to be on site during different unit releases to better determine if there is a stagnant issue.

Prior to the ROX sensor [installation – June 2011], [USGS] used a YSI 5739 and YSI Rapid Pulse DO Probes. All three sensors have the same accuracy according to YSI. [USGS doesn't] have the exact dates that the ROX was installed, but [they] believe it was in the 2011 water year. The frequency of cleaning for the older probes was 2 to 4 weeks depending on season and flow events. Those probes didn't self clean, so during the summer months they usually needed more attention"

It is our suspicion that some, if not all, of these low DO events are related to low flows in the tailrace and backflow or stagnant flows at the USGS monitor. To test this theory, we have planned to collect additional data in the tailrace during July and August of 2014 and compare it with USGS data collected at the same time. We will focus on these warmer summer months when flows are lower and more likely for us to observe any deviations.

DO readings will be collected along a transect starting at the furthest turbine discharge on the west end of the Parr Shoals powerhouse and proceed to the east towards the USGS monitor using a Hydrolab Surveyor 4a with a Hydrolab MS 5 sonde or similar equipment. DO readings will be collected at the mid-depth of the water column from a maximum of 10 sample locations along the transect. Collections will be performed at one hour before sunrise, at sunrise, and one hour after sunrise. Collections will also be coordinated with lower flow events – possibly scheduled for each sampling. We will perform up to eight collections during July and August of 2014 to detect any differences in the transect DO measurements and the USGS data measurements.

The transect data will be compared to the USGS data. We will use figures and tables to display the collected data and patterns in the DO level will be described based on time, flow, and distance from the USGS monitor. We will consolidate this information into a letter report to share with the TWC for review and discussion.



At the Water Quality TWC meeting on February 4, 2014, the TWC noted that the Parr Water Quality Report identified multiple dissolved oxygen (DO) levels below 4.0 mg/l in the Parr Shoals Dam tailrace. The TWC agreed that SCE&G would consolidate historic USGS data to examine those excursions and to provide any operations that might be associated with the data. SCE&G requested hourly DO, temperature and river flow data from 2004 through 2013 for the following USGS stations:

- 1. USGS 02160991 Broad River near Jenkinsville, SC
- 2. USGS 02156500 Broad River near Carlisle, SC
- 3. USGS 02160700 Enoree River at Whitmire, SC
- 4. USGS 02160105 Tyger River near Delta, SC

Our analysis of the data focused on the period from July through September of each year from 2004 through 2013. For this analysis, we plotted hourly readings of flow, temperature, and DO levels at each of the gage stations. Those plots and the raw data will be available to the TWC upon request. Included below are data from the Jenkinsville gage, located immediately downstream of the Parr Shoals Dam along the east bank of the tailrace (FIGURE 1 through FIGURE 10). Since flow data is not collected at the Jenkinsville gage, flow data from the Alston gage, USGS 02161000, was used.

FIGURE 1 2004 TEMPERATURE AND DISSOLVED OXYGEN AT USGS 02160991; AND FLOW AT USGS 02161000

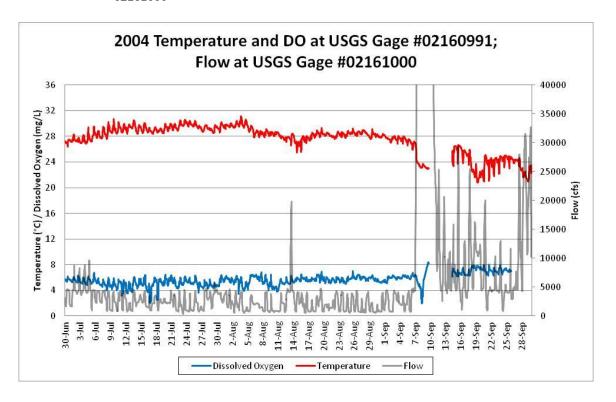


FIGURE 2 2005 TEMPERATURE AND DISSOLVED OXYGEN AT USGS 02160991; AND FLOW AT USGS 02161000

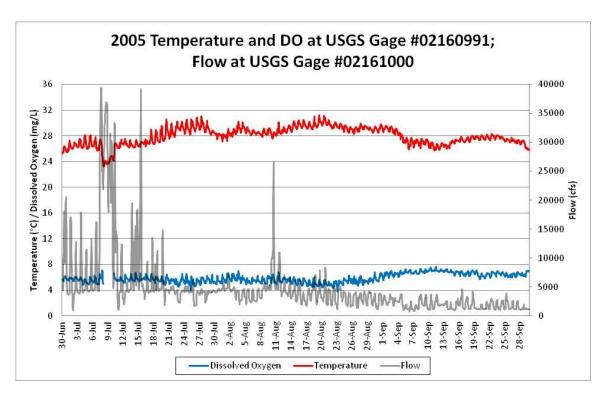


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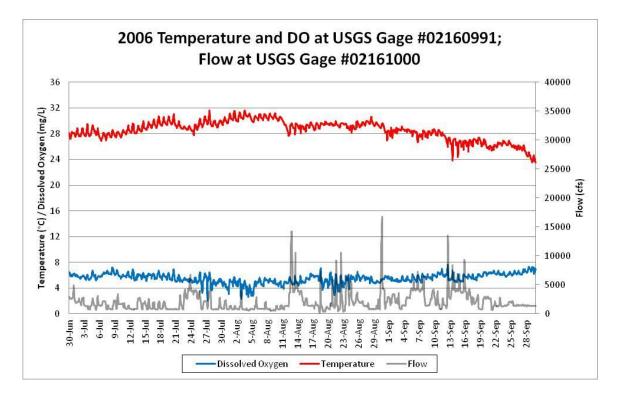


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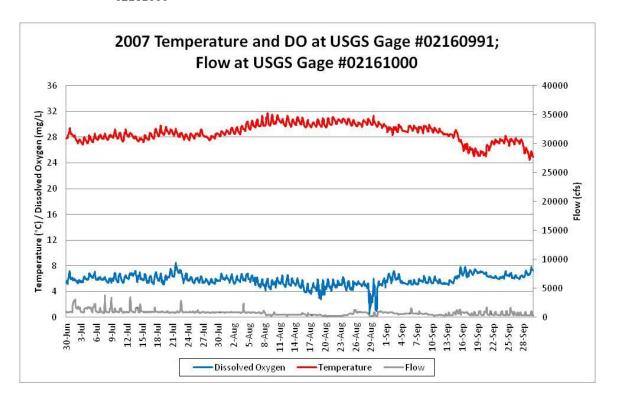


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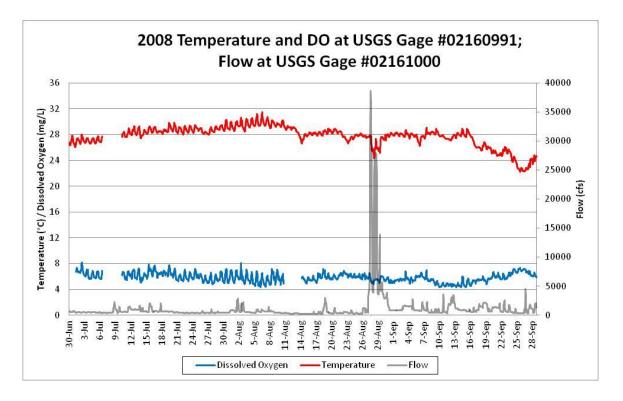


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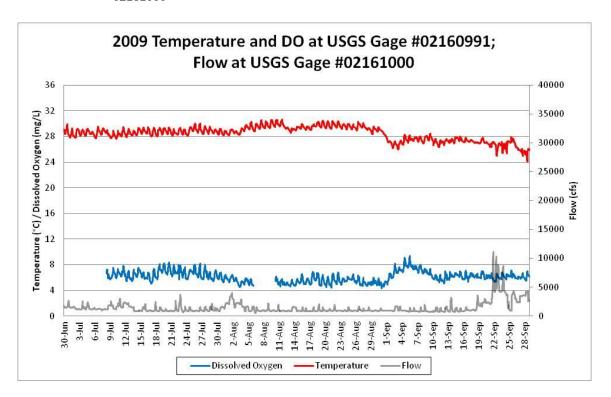


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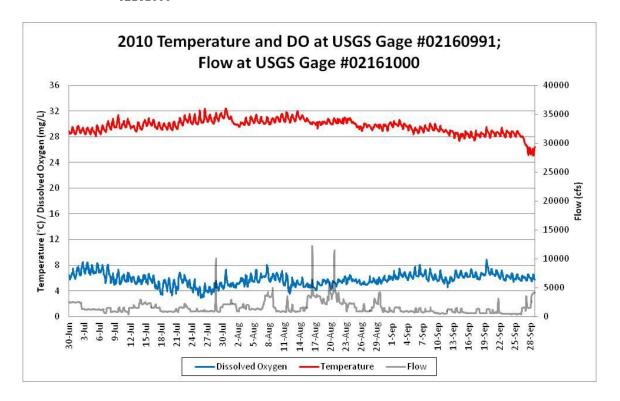


FIGURE 8 2011 TEMPERATURE AND DISSOLVED OXYGEN AT USGS 02160991; AND FLOW AT USGS 02161000

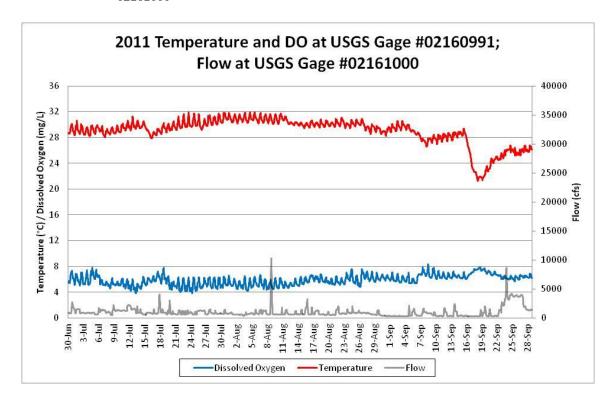


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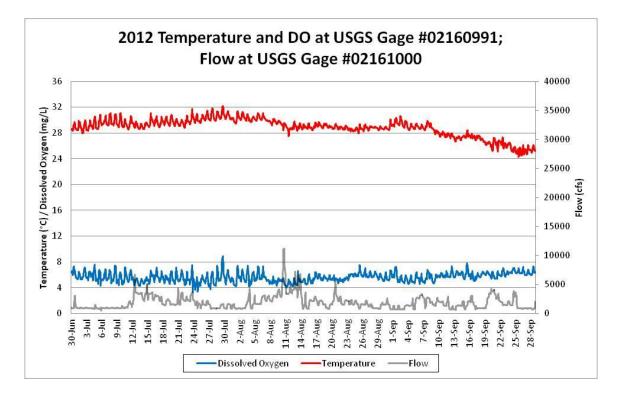
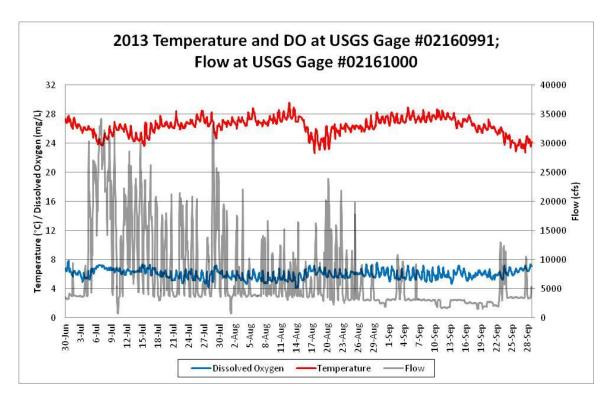


FIGURE 10 2013 TEMPERATURE AND DISSOLVED OXYGEN AT USGS 02160991; AND FLOW AT USGS 02161000



Review of the data verified that there are periodic excursions of DO levels less than 4.0 mg/l. These events are not consistent from year to year and do not typically have a long duration. We have presented representative excerpts of the raw data in TABLE 1 through TABLE 4 to demonstrate the month, flow, temperature, time of day, and DO level experienced.

TABLE 1 JULY 19-20, 2010: DO EXCURSION

Date	Time	DO (mg/L)	Temperature (°C)	Flow (cfs)
7/19/2010	9:00 pm	4.3	29.5	900.7
7/19/2010	10:00 pm	4.0	29.4	900.7
7/19/2010	11:00 pm	3.7	29.4	900.7
7/20/2010	12:00 am	3.9	29.3	900.7
7/20/2010	1:00 am	3.8	29.3	900.7
7/20/2010	2:00 am	3.8	29.2	888.0
7/20/2010	3:00 am	3.7	29.2	875.3
7/20/2010	4:00 am	3.6	29.1	862.7
7/20/2010	5:00 am	3.3	29.1	862.7
7/20/2010	6:00 am	3.7	29.0	837.7
7/20/2010	7:00 am	4.0	29.1	837.7
7/20/2010	8:00 am	4.5	29.2	825.3

TABLE 2 JULY 13, 2011: DO EXCURSION

Date	Time	DO (mg/L)	Temperature (°C)	Flow (cfs)
7/13/2011	5:00 am	4.6	29.7	1474.9
7/13/2011	6:00 am	3.9	29.3	1369.9
7/13/2011	7:00 am	3.8	29.3	939.3
7/13/2011	8:00 am	4.1	29.5	812.9

TABLE 3 JULY 24, 2012: DO EXCURSION

Date	Time	DO (mg/L)	Temperature (°C)	Flow (cfs)
7/24/2012	6:00 am	4.2	29.6	2107.6
7/24/2012	7:00 am	3.9	29.6	1789.4
7/24/2012	8:00 am	3.6	29.5	1536.0
7/24/2012	9:00 am	3.9	29.7	1459.7
7/24/2012	10:00 am	4.3	30.1	1429.5
7/24/2012	11:00 am	4.3	30.1	1429.5
7/24/2012	12:00 pm	4.4	30.2	1444.6
7/24/2012	1:00 pm	4.4	30.3	1444.6
7/24/2012	2:00 pm	4.7	30.6	1399.6
7/24/2012	3:00 pm	5.6	30.9	1444.6
7/24/2012	4:00 pm	5.7	31.0	1954.6
7/24/2012	5:00 pm	5.5	30.9	2124.8
7/24/2012	6:00 pm	4.8	30.8	1971.4
7/24/2012	7:00 pm	3.5	30.1	1154.4
7/24/2012	8:00 pm	3.4	29.9	875.3
7/24/2012	9:00 pm	3.6	29.9	1520.7
7/24/2012	10:00 pm	3.6	29.9	1676.9
7/24/2012	11:00 pm	4.1	29.9	1724.8

TABLE 4 JULY 27, 2012: DO EXCURSION

Date	Time	DO (mg/L)	Temperature (°C)	Flow (cfs)
7/27/2012	6:00 am	4.2	30.0	1490.1
7/27/2012	7:00 am	3.7	29.9	1196.5
7/27/2012	8:00 am	3.8	30.0	900.7
7/27/2012	9:00 am	4.3	30.0	837.7

Our review of this data lead us to the conclusion that the low DO levels frequently occur during the early morning hours when DO levels often begin to decline (diel fluctuation) and flows begin to decline. Based on this observation we reviewed the location of the USGS monitor which is located along the bank in a back eddy just downstream of the Parr Shoals Dam. We also asked the USGS to provide any information they had on the type of monitoring equipment used and how it had changed over time. The following is a consolidation of email excerpts that we received from Michael Hall of the USGS:

The current DO probe that the USGS uses at the Parr Dam monitoring site is a YSI 6150 ROX, which is an optical DO probe with a self cleaning wiper system. Looking back over the last year and a half, there have been no corrections needed to the sensor data for fouling or calibration drift. The sensors and sonde are cleaned at least monthly, but sometimes more often in the summer months if needed. The DO membrane itself rarely has any visible fouling because of the wiper system. Calibration is checked monthly and readings are also verified at each visit with a separate calibrated field meter. YSI states that the accuracy of the ROX DO is +/- 0.1 mg/L or 1% of reading, whichever is greater. The USGS applies corrections to the data if the combined fouling and drift differences exceed +/- 0.3 mg/L.

[USGS hasn't] noticed any issues with the quality of the readings and can't ever recall the water being stagnant where the sonde housing is placed. The flow at the sonde is mostly negative due to a swirling motion, but any debris or other trash that is floating in the pool gets "flushed" fairly quickly, so I would assume the water is constantly being refreshed. If you would like, we can arrange to be on site during different unit releases to better determine if there is a stagnant issue.

Prior to the ROX sensor [installation – June 2011], [USGS] used a YSI 5739 and YSI Rapid Pulse DO Probes. All three sensors have the same accuracy according to YSI. [USGS doesn't] have the exact dates that the ROX was installed, but [they] believe it was in the 2011 water year. The frequency of cleaning for the older probes was 2 to 4 weeks depending on season and flow events. Those probes didn't self clean, so during the summer months they usually needed more attention"

It is our suspicion that some, if not all, of these low DO events are related to low flows in the tailrace and backflow or stagnant flows at the USGS monitor. To test this theory, we have planned to collect additional data in the tailrace during July and August of 2014 and compare it with USGS data collected at the same time. We will focus on these warmer summer months when flows are lower and more likely for us to observe any deviations.

DO readings will be collected along a transect starting at the furthest turbine discharge on the west end of the Parr Shoals powerhouse and proceed to the east towards the USGS monitor using a Hydrolab Surveyor 4a with a Hydrolab MS 5 sonde or similar equipment. DO readings will be collected at the mid-depth of the water column from a maximum of 10 sample locations along the transect. Collections will be performed at one hour before sunrise, at sunrise, and one hour after sunrise. Collections will also be coordinated with lower flow events – possibly scheduled for each sampling. We will perform up to eight collections during July and August of 2014 to detect any differences in the transect DO measurements and the USGS data measurements.

The transect data will be compared to the USGS data. We will use figures and tables to display the collected data and patterns in the DO level will be described based on time, flow, and distance from the USGS monitor. We will consolidate this information into a letter report to share with the TWC for review and discussion.

# **Exhibit E-4 Water Resources**

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# PARR HYDROELECTRIC PROJECT FERC No. 1894

#### SOUTH CAROLINA ELECTRIC & GAS COMPANY

## 1.0 INTRODUCTION

South Carolina Electric & Gas Company (SCE&G) is the Licensee for the Parr Hydroelectric Project (FERC No. 1894) (Project). The Project consists of the Parr Shoals Development and the Fairfield Pumped Storage Development. Both developments are located along the Broad River in Fairfield and Newberry Counties, South Carolina.

The Project is currently involved in a relicensing process which involves cooperation and collaboration between SCE&G, as licensee, and a variety of stakeholders including state and federal resource agencies, state and local government, non-governmental organizations (NGO), and interested individuals. SCE&G has established several Technical Working Committees (TWC's) comprised of members from the interested stakeholders. The TWC's objectives include the evaluation of relicensing issues and making recommendations to address these issues in the new license.

Following the completion of the Parr Hydroelectric Project Baseline Water Quality Report, there were questions regarding occasional low dissolved oxygen (DO) in the tailrace downstream of Parr Shoals Dam. At a Water Quality TWC meeting on February 4, 2014, the TWC noted that the Baseline Water Quality Report identified periodic excursions of DO levels less than 4.0 mg/L in the Parr Shoals Dam tailrace, as reported by the USGS station 02160991. In an effort to understand these excursions better, SCE&G consolidated historic USGS data to examine these excursions and issued an addendum to the Baseline Water Quality Report in June 2014. At the request of the Water Quality TWC, SCE&G collected additional water quality data in the summer of 2014 in the tailrace and forebay of Parr Shoals Dam in an attempt to determine whether project operations are causing these excursions. These results were summarized in a memo issued on March 2, 2015 (Appendix A). SCE&G followed up this effort by collecting

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another series of water quality data in the Parr forebay from May through mid-October 2015. The results of this data collection effort are summarized in this report.

In addition, SCE&G proposed to test all of the Parr turbines for their ability to self-vent and potentially increase the dissolved oxygen in the tailrace during specific periods of the year. An initial test of the turbines' capacity to vent was performed August 2014; a second test to determine which turbines had the most significant impact on increasing dissolved oxygen was performed in July 2015. The results of the testing, along with the findings published in the Baseline Water Quality Report, were used to develop a Turbine Venting Plan, which is also included in this report.

#### 2.0 OBJECTIVES

Parr forebay data was collected from May through mid-October, 2015 in an effort to determine if low DO in the tailrace was caused by low DO in the forebay as it passed downstream through the powerhouse and turbines. Additionally, the turbine vent testing was performed in the summer of 2015 to determine if turbine venting had a positive impact on DO in the tailrace. The results of the turbine vent testing were used to develop a Turbine Venting Plan for use during periods of the low DO season.

#### 3.0 METHODS

#### 3.1 METHODS USED FOR TURBINE VENTING TESTING

During the 2014 test, the primary objective was to determine the turbines' physical capacity to self-vent. This requires both the presence of vacuum breakers (which are used during dewatering operations) (Photo 3-1), as well as the proper turbine vertical setting and sufficient gross head to draw air into the turbine during operation. With a turbine operating, the vacuum breaker valve is opened, and venting can be audibly determined. Aeration of the water can also be visually observed in the tailrace (Photo 3-2).

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PHOTO 3-1 PIPING FOR VACUUM BREAKERS IN HEADCOVER



PHOTO 3-2 TURBINE DISCHARGE WITH VENTS OPEN

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Water quality measurements (dissolved oxygen, temperature and percent saturation) were taken using a Hydrolab Surveyor 4a (Photo 3-3). Measurements were made immediately downstream of each turbine both prior to and after the vent was opened. It was verified that the crest gates had not operated within the past several hours, therefore no mechanical aeration influence from spilling was present. Hydrolab readings were allowed to stabilize for several minutes before water quality parameters were recorded.

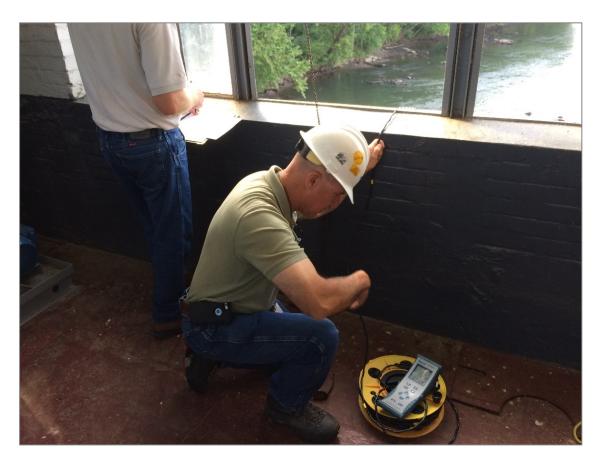


PHOTO 3-3 MEASURING DO LEVELS DURING TESTING

During the 2014 test, several of the turbines were undergoing maintenance, and testing of all units was not possible. In addition, the tailrace dissolved oxygen and total saturation levels were high prior to opening the vents, which likely reduced the effectiveness of venting. Given these limitations, an effectiveness venting test was planned for summer 2015 when additional turbines could be evaluated. Prior to the 2015 testing date, DO levels were monitored via the downstream USGS Gage No. 02160991, Broad River near Jenkinsville, SC to identify a test period with lower DO conditions.

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#### 3.2 METHODS USED FOR FOREBAY DO SAMPLING

Water quality data, including DO and temperature, was collected in the forebay of the Parr Shoals Dam using two HOBO data loggers, with one logger located approximately one foot above the bottom of the reservoir and the other located approximately one foot below the surface of the reservoir. The HOBO data loggers were suspended from the log boom located in the forebay. Data was logged on an hourly basis from May 4, 2015 through October 16, 2015. Hourly data was also collected from the USGS gage at Jenkinsville (02160991), which is located immediately downstream of Parr Shoals Dam near the powerhouse.

#### 4.0 RESULTS

#### 4.1 RESULTS OF TURBINE VENTING

The Parr Shoals powerhouse contains six vertical turbines, five of which have vacuum breakers to facilitate dewatering the draft tube. It was discovered that unit 6, which is nearest the shoreline, does not have a vacuum breaker. During the 2014 test, units 1, 3 and 4 were operable, and the admittance of air was audible when the vacuum breakers were opened. In addition, the tailrace observation clearly indicated the water was being aerated. With the high saturation levels (above 70%), the measured increases in dissolved oxygen were 0.16 and 0.17 mg/L between the initial measurement and the end of the venting test (Appendix A – 2014 report).

During the 2015 test, all turbines were tested except unit 4, which was inoperable due to ongoing maintenance; however, unit 4 had been tested in 2014. Results of the 2015 testing (data included as Appendix B) indicate that unit 3 venting had the most significant increase in dissolved oxygen, followed by units 1, 5 and 2. The increases are shown in Table 4-1.

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TABLE 4-1 DISSOLVED OXYGEN MEASUREMENTS (MG/L)

Unit No.	Vent Closed	Vent Open	Increase in DO
1	4.65	5.04	0.39
2	4.60	4.80	0.20
3	4.70	5.15	0.45
4*	5.66	5.82	0.16
5	4.84	5.20	0.36
6**	5.10	N/A	N/A

<sup>\*</sup>test data from 2014

While the 2014 test indicated a dissolved oxygen increase of 0.16 mg/L induced by venting unit 4, the increase was hindered by the starting saturation level compared to the testing in 2015. It can be assumed that the lower levels in 2015 would have resulted in better uptake, but the exact level of increase is not known. Operating priority for the Turbine Venting Plan was not modified to arbitrarily place unit 4 above other turbines that have a better demonstrated uptake capacity.

#### 4.2 RESULTS OF FOREBAY SAMPLING

Due to the fluctuations of the reservoir, periods of low inflows, and the general location of the HOBO loggers in the forebay of the dam, the loggers were highly susceptible to fouling due to debris, sediment, and algae. It appears that after approximately one week of data collection in the reservoir, the HOBO loggers became severely compromised and no longer collected accurate data. Likewise, as the study season progressed, the accuracy of the HOBO loggers decreased due to overgrowth with algae and other aquatic debris. At each download, which occurred on a monthly basis, HOBO loggers were freed of obvious debris as they were removed from the water, making the accuracy of the logger slightly increase for a short period of time, but then fouling quickly afterwards. For that reason, each week after the monthly download is considered to be the most accurate representation of the DO in the Parr forebay. However, the data was compromised during the collection period and is therefore not considered a completely reliable representation of DO in the Parr forebay. Regardless, the one week period following each

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<sup>\*\*</sup>Unit 6 is not equipped with a vacuum breaker.

download is presented in graphs below (Figure 4-1 through Figure 4-6), along with the corresponding data from the Jenkinsville gage. Data collected during October is not included in this report, as severe flooding occurred in early October resulted in abnormally high flows and irregular DO levels.

Throughout the month of May, DO levels in the forebay, both from the top and bottom of the reservoir, and in the tailrace were consistent with each other, and well above the SCDHEC instantaneous standard of 4.0 mg/L (Figure 4-1 and Figure 4-2) (SCDHEC 2012).

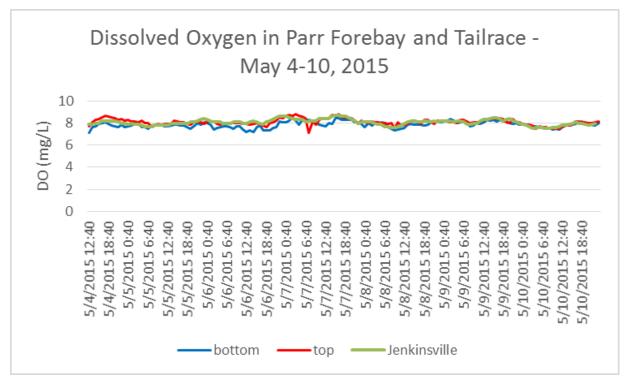


FIGURE 4-1 DISSOLVED OXYGEN IN THE PARR FOREBAY AND TAILRACE - MAY 4-10, 2015

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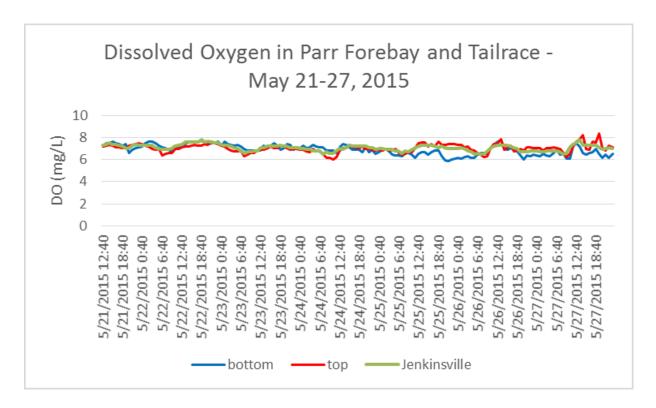


FIGURE 4-2 DISSOLVED OXYGEN IN THE PARR FOREBAY AND TAILRACE – MAY 21-27, 2015

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In late June and early July, DO levels began to drop slightly in the forebay and tailrace (Figure 4-3). While the DO levels followed the same general pattern in the forebay as they did in the tailrace, the logger located near the bottom of the reservoir appeared to be affected by algal growth and debris. DO readings collected by the gage at Jenkinsville remain above the standard of 4.0 mg/L.

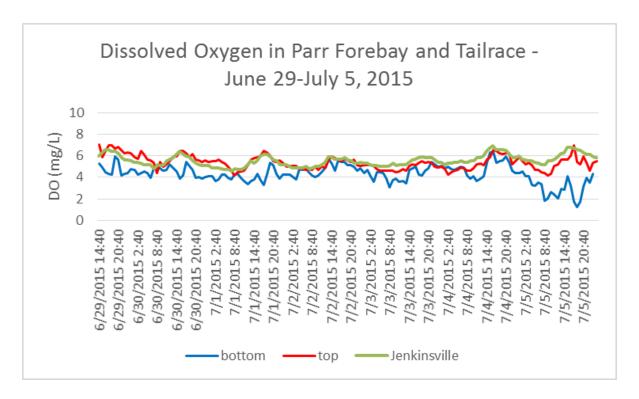


FIGURE 4-3 DISSOLVED OXYGEN IN THE PARR FOREBAY AND TAILRACE – JUNE 29-JULY 5, 2015

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In mid-July, DO levels in the tailrace remained constant near 6.0 mg/L (Figure 4-4). DO readings collected in the forebay ranged from near 6.0 mg/L to 0.0 mg/L. Both loggers appeared to be affected by fouling from algae, sediment and other debris located in the forebay, but loggers began to detect a diel pattern typical of day and night shifts in DO levels associated with reservoirs and production and consumption of DO.

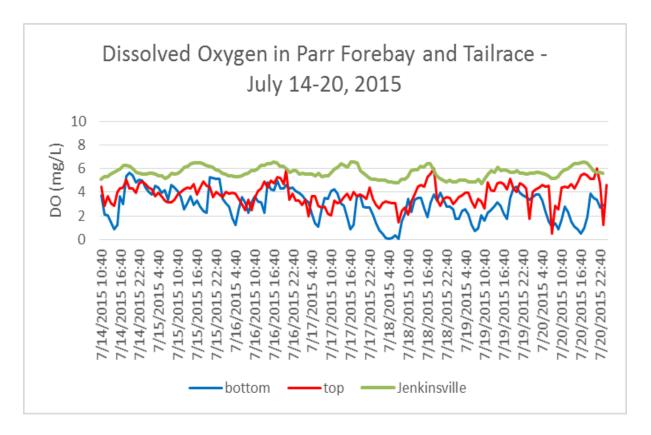


FIGURE 4-4 DISSOLVED OXYGEN IN PARR FOREBAY AND TAILRACE – JULY 14-20, 2015

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In mid-August, DO levels in the tailrace continued to remain constant near 6.0 mg/L (Figure 4-5). DO readings collected in the forebay at the top of the reservoir again sporadically range from near 6.0 mg/L to 0.0 mg/L. It is likely that the top HOBO logger became wrapped with debris, causing the unusually low readings. The DO readings collected in the forebay at the bottom of the reservoir were less sporadic, however, they show a downward deterioration of fouling as time progresses, indicating that the longer the loggers were in the water, the more affected they became by algal growth, sediment, and debris.

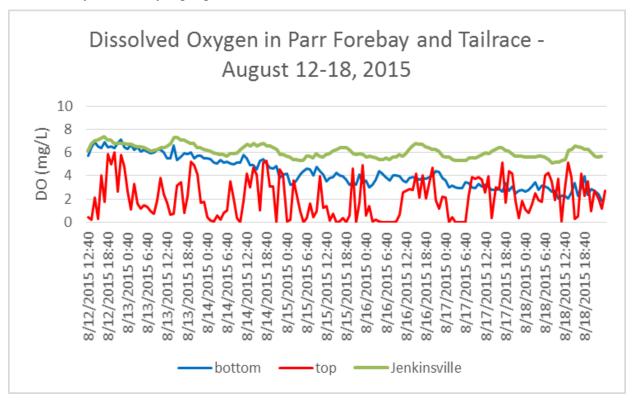


FIGURE 4-5 DISSOLVED OXYGEN IN PARR FOREBAY AND TAILRACE – AUGUST 12-18, 2015

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During mid-September, DO levels in the tailrace rose from approximately 6.0 mg/L up to approximately 8.0 mg/L (Figure 4-6). DO readings collected in the forebay range from near 6.0 mg/L to 2.0 mg/L. The loggers again appear to be affected somewhat by algae, sediment and other debris located in the forebay. River flows during this period increased slightly with reoccurrence of rain events in the fall.

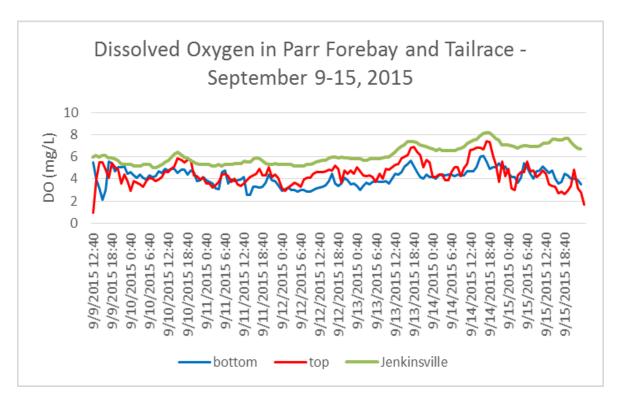


FIGURE 4-6 DISSOLVED OXYGEN IN PARR FOREBAY AND TAILRACE – SEPTEMBER 9-15, 2015

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#### 5.0 TURBINE VENTING PLAN

#### 5.1 OPERATING PROCEDURES

Turbine venting shall occur continuously during a "venting period" for each calendar year, with vents opened as turbines are started up and brought online. During the venting period, the turbines will be operated with vents opened in a first-on / last-off order as follows: 3, 1, 5, 2, 4, and 6. Exceptions to this operating order shall occur due to equipment maintenance that results in unit outages, or emergency conditions.

SCE&G shall follow the venting procedures from June 15 through July 31 of each year. This period captures all of the excursions recorded by the nearby USGS Gage No. 02160991, Broad River near Jenkinsville, SC since the current probe was installed in 2011.

#### 5.2 DOCUMENTATION

SCE&G shall provide documentation to DHEC of dissolved oxygen excursions below the standard within ten days of occurrence. Upon request from a consulting agency, SCE&G shall provide hourly records to agency representatives to demonstrate adherence to the order of turbine operating during a venting period. Documentation of maintenance activities to justify deviation from the turbine operating order will also be provided, should a deviation occur.

#### 6.0 DISCUSSION

During two turbine tests at Parr Hydro, it was demonstrated that five of the six turbines have a demonstrated capacity to self-aerate by opening vacuum breaker valves. Effectiveness of the venting appears to vary between turbines, and the results of testing conducted with dissolved oxygen below 5.0 mg/L were used to prioritize an operating sequence. Observations of downstream data trends were used to determine trigger mechanisms for venting, which was combined with the operating sequence for a venting plan.

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During 2015, there were no DO levels below 4.2 mg/L detected at the USGS tailrace DO gage. After July 31, there was only one DO reading lower than 5.0 mg/l and that was 4.9 mg/l on August 2. Fouling of DO monitor probes in the Parr forebay made it more difficult to see clear trends in the DO levels experienced in the forebay, but they did detect lower DO levels and a diel shift in DO levels starting at the end of June and extending through the end of September.

This report will be used as part of the 401 water quality certification application for the Parr Hydroelectric Project to demonstrate that the Project will meet the state standards as described by SCDHEC under the new FERC license.

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# APPENDIX A

PARR HYDROELECTRIC PROJECT WATER QUALITY BASELINE MEMORANDUM – WATER QUALITY REPORT – SUPPLEMENTAL DISSOLVED OXYGEN DATA

## Parr Hydroelectric Project – FERC No. 1894 Water Quality Baseline – Memorandum

**To:** Parr/Fairfield Relicensing Water Quality Technical Working Committee (TWC)

**FROM:** Kelly Miller and Henry Mealing – Kleinschmidt Associates

**DATE:** March 2, 2015

**RE:** Water Quality Report – Supplemental Dissolved Oxygen Data

The Parr Hydroelectric Project Baseline Water Quality Report includes analysis of both upstream and downstream water quality associated with the Parr Shoals Development and concluded that project operations could affect water quality downstream of Parr Shoals Dam. At the Water Quality TWC meeting on February 4, 2014, the TWC noted that the Baseline Water Quality Report identified periodic excursions of dissolved oxygen (DO) levels below 4.0 mg/l in the Parr Shoals Dam tailrace, as reported by the USGS station 02160991. In an effort to understand these excursions better, SCE&G contacted USGS and asked if they had any further information on this station. In June of 2011, the USGS installed a new sensor at the station 02160991. From January 2011 through December 2014, there have been approximately 13 hourly excursions in DO below the 4.0 mg/l SCDHEC standard which is approximately 0.04 percent of that period of time. At the request of the Water Quality TWC, SCE&G collected additional water quality data in the tailrace and forebay of Parr Shoals Dam to attempt to determine whether project operations are causing these excursions, and if so, how SCE&G might prevent them from occurring.

## Tailrace Data - July - September 2014

#### Methods

From July through September of 2014, SCE&G collected temperature and DO data at seven sites along the downstream face of the Parr Shoals Dam, adjacent to the USGS station 02160991, and at a location approximately 400 feet downstream of Parr Shoals Dam. Data was collected on a weekly basis, three times per day including one hour before sunrise, at sunrise, and one hour after sunrise. To see if unit location had an effect on DO, the turbine(s) running during collections and the number of any lowered flashboard was also recorded.

#### Results

SCE&G collected data in the tailrace for two main reasons: (1) to verify the accuracy of the USGS gage station 02160991 and (2) to determine if DO could be correlated to an early morning DO sag or related to which turbine units were running at the time of data collection. During the sampling period, DO levels consistently stayed above 4.0 mg/l. No excursions were recorded by SCE&G or on the USGS gage (Table 1). Data collected by SCE&G at the site of the USGS station 02160991 was consistent with the USGS gage.

TABLE 1 DISSOLVED OXYGEN DATA AT USGS STATION 02160991 AND PARR SHOALS TAILRACE JULY – SEPTEMBER 2014.

TAILRACE JULY – SEPTEMBER 2014.				
		S Data	SCE&G Data	
Date	Time	DO mg/l	Time	DO mg/l
7/2/14	5:00 AM	6.2	5:35 AM	6.12
	6:00 AM	6.0	6:37 AM	5.95
	7:00 AM	6.0	7:42 AM	5.86
	8:00 AM	6.0		
7/10/14	5:00 AM	6.0	5:32 AM	6.24
	6:00 AM	5.9	6:27 AM	6.16
	7:00 AM	5.7	7:33 AM	6.08
	8:00 AM	5.5		
7/15/14	5:00 AM	5.5	5:34 AM	5.62
	6:00 AM	5.4	6:32 AM	5.32
	7:00 AM	4.9	7:42 AM	4.91
	8:00 AM	5.0		
7/24/14	5:00 AM	5.2	5:41 AM	5.15
	6:00 AM	5.2	6:51 AM	5.03
	7:00 AM	5.1	7:50 AM	5.49
	8:00 AM	5.3		
7/31/14	5:00 AM	5.8	5:43 AM	5.66
	6:00 AM	5.7	6:42 AM	5.55
	7:00 AM	5.7	7:54 AM	5.53
	8:00 AM	5.7		
8/7/14	5:00 AM	6.0	5:39 AM	5.90
	6:00 AM	6.0	6:48 AM	5.84
	7:00 AM	5.9	7:49 AM	5.74
	8:00 AM	5.9		
8/13/14	5:00 AM	5.9	5:30 AM	5.83
	6:00 AM	5.9	6:33 AM	5.86
	7:00 AM	5.9	7:33 AM	5.83
	8:00 AM	5.9		
8/20/14	5:00 AM	5.8	5:48 AM	5.90
	6:00 AM	5.8	6:46 AM	5.97
	7:00 AM	5.7	7:56 AM	5.86
	8:00 AM	5.7		
8/26/14	5:00 AM	6.3	5:41 AM	6.26
	6:00 AM	6.4	6:51 AM	6.51
	7:00 AM	6.4	7:48 AM	6.35
	8:00 AM	6.3		
9/3/14	5:00 AM	5.7	5:29 AM	6.02
	6:00 AM	5.8	6:40 AM	5.73
	7:00 AM	5.4	7:53 AM	5.46
	8:00 AM	5.4		
9/10/14	6:00 AM	5.6	6:30 AM	5.62
	7:00 AM	5.7	7:46 AM	5.78
	8:00 AM	5.7	8:46 AM	5.71
	9:00 AM	5.7		
9/16/14	6:00 AM	5.0	6:22 AM	4.94

	7:00 AM	5.0	7:24 AM	4.98
	8:00 AM	5.0	8:24 AM	4.92
	9:00 AM	5.0		
9/25/14	6:00 AM	7.3	6:33 AM	7.10
	7:00 AM	7.3	7:34 AM	7.65
	8:00 AM	7.3	8:29 AM	7.62
	9:00 AM	7.3		

Results did not detect a clear correlation between DO readings and the units running at the time of data collection. See Appendix A for a complete list of the data collected during this effort.

#### <u>Forebay Data – October & November 2014</u>

#### Methods

Water quality data, including DO and temperature, were collected in the forebay of the Parr Shoals Dam to determine if low DO water is being released through the turbines, causing the DO in the tailrace to drop. The data was collected using two HOBO data loggers, with one logger located approximately one foot above the bottom of the reservoir and the other located approximately one foot below the surface of the reservoir. Data was logged on an hourly basis from October 16, 2014 through December 3, 2014. We had planned to begin collections earlier but did not receive the data loggers until mid-September.

#### Results

Results showed the expected correlations between DO and temperature and natural diel fluctuations (Figure 1 through Figure 4). DO levels at the bottom of the forebay are consistently slightly lower than those at the top of the forebay, and there was no evidence of stratification in the forebay area of the reservoir. There were no low DO events observed in the tailrace during the monitoring effort.

FIGURE 1 DO AND TEMPERATURE AT BOTTOM OF PARR SHOALS DAM FOREBAY

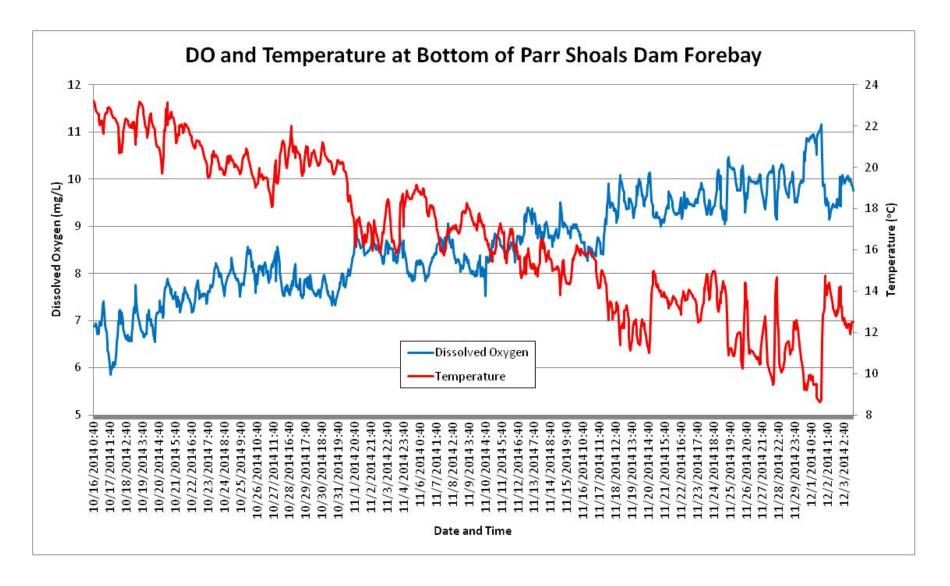


FIGURE 2 DO AND TEMPERATURE AT THE TOP OF PARR SHOALS DAM FOREBAY

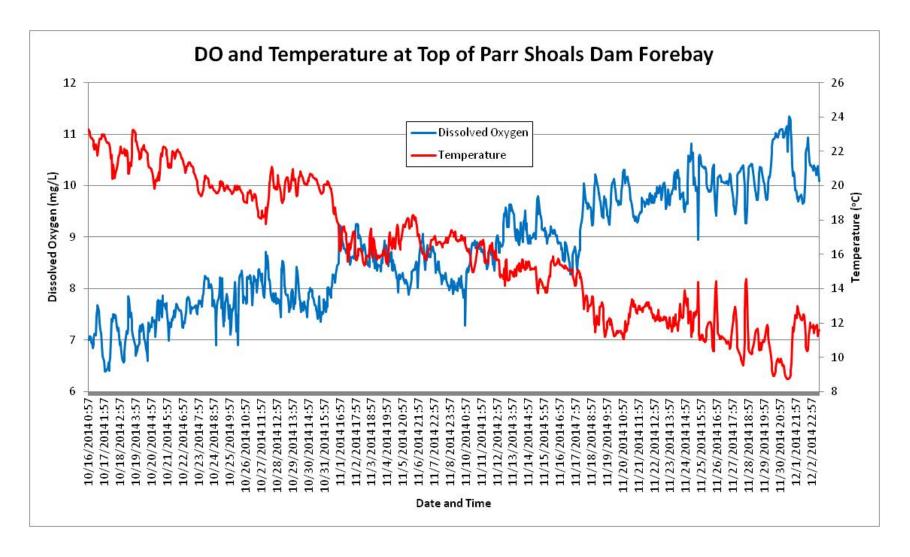


FIGURE 3 PARR SHOALS DAM FOREBAY DISSOLVED OXYGEN

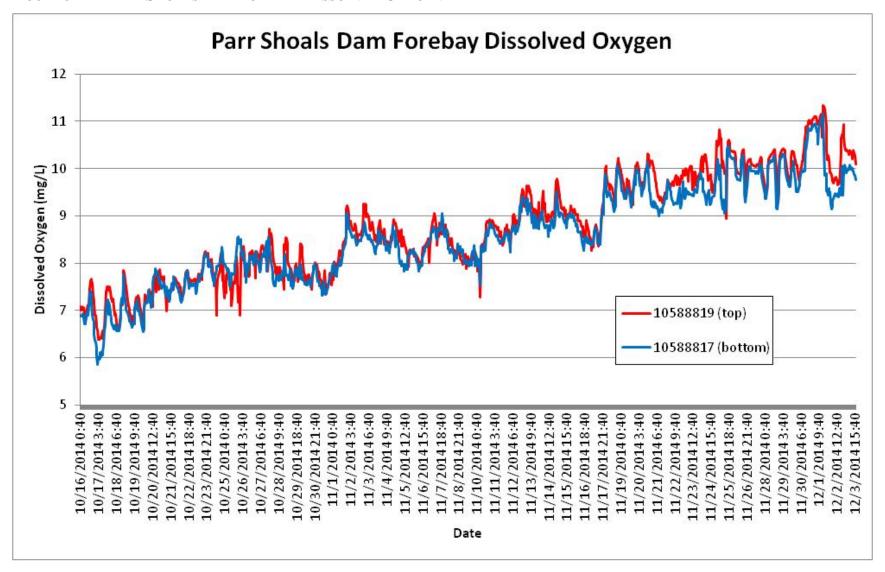
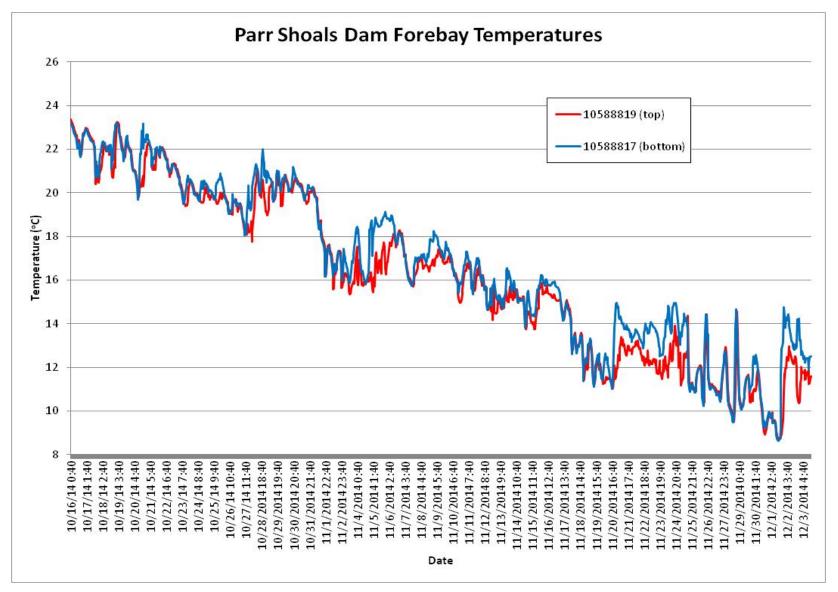


FIGURE 4 PARR SHOALS DAM FOREBAY TEMPERATURES



#### Parr Aeration Investigation – August 2014

Because of the success with turbine self-venting (or self-aerating) at the Saluda Hydro Project, SCE&G performed some initial investigations to determine if turbine aerating at the Parr Shoals Development was feasible for periodically increasing the tailrace DO levels. Bret Hoffman (Kleinschmidt), Amy Bresnahan (SC&EG), Milton Quattlebaum (SCE&G), and Mike Hall (USGS) performed some initial onsite turbine venting tests at the Parr Shoals Development on the morning of August 20, 2014. The results of their investigation are included below.

During each test run, water quality measurements (DO, temperature, and % DO saturation) were recorded with handheld meters (independent of the permanently installed USGS gage station equipment) in the tailrace at the bay 7 location (which is between the six turbine bays and the shore) and along the shoreline adjacent to the USGS gage. These measurements provided a cursory examination of the ability of the Units to aerate by opening the existing vacuum breaker valves located on the turbine head cover. Only Units 1, 3, and 4 were available for operation testing as the other units were out of service for repair, and Unit 4 could not be shut down because of equipment issues. During testing all river flow was passed through the turbine units and the spillway gates were in the closed (raised) position. Test runs for the water quality measurements were conducted in combinations of turbine operations as described below and were partially dictated by the requirement that Unit 4 could not be shut down. The headpond and tailwater elevations were also recorded, as were individual generator kW and kVar outputs.

#### Unit 4 - Test

Initially, tailrace readings were collected with only Unit 4 operating, and the vacuum breaker valve closed. Then, the vacuum breaker valve was fully opened to allow aeration, and audibly drew in air. The effects of the introduced air were clearly visible in the tailrace. The initial tailrace reading collected with the valve closed was 5.66 mg/l, the reading at bay 7 with the valve open was 5.82 mg/l. Upon closing the valve, the DO at bay 7 dropped to 5.78 mg/l, although the aerated water may not have had time to flush out from the tailrace area. The USGS measurements on the shore were 5.58 mg/l prior to opening any turbine vents, and 5.75mg/l with the vent open for 25 minutes. The USGS reading did not drop after the valve was closed, and matched the bay 7 reading of 5.78 mg/l, supporting the theory that residual aerated water remained in the immediate tailrace area. Initial saturation was 71% (valve closed), and with the valve open the saturation increased to 74.9%. Saturation levels reported near the USGS gage were within a tenth of a percent of those recorded at bay 7.

#### Units 1 and 4

Unit 1 was started (valve closed) and allowed to stabilize for 15 minutes. DO readings were collected with Unit 1 valve closed and Unit 4 valve open. The USGS reading increased to 5.84 mg/l, while the bay 7 reading increased from 5.82 mg/l to 5.86 mg/l. The Unit 1 valve was opened and readings were collected after 15 minutes of stabilization. The measurement near the USGS gage was 5.80 mg/l, while the bay 7 reading was 5.88 mg/l. Saturation with Unit 1 (valve

closed) and Unit 4 (valve open) was 73%, which increased to 75.4% with both units' valves open.

### Units 1, 3, and 4

Unit 3 was started and operated for 15 minutes with no valve open, while the valves for Units 1 and 4 were left open. The measurements from the USGS site and at bay 7 were both 5.80 mg/l, and the saturation at bay 7 was 74.8%. When the valve was opened on Unit 3, the bay 7 reading was 5.76 mg/l and the USGS reading was 5.75 mg/l with a saturation level of 74.3% - with all three units aerating. USGS took an additional measurement at bay 2 (between units 1 and 3) with all units aerating, which ranged from 6.08 mg/l to 6.15 mg/l; at 6.08 mg/l, saturation was 79%.

One final measurement was taken with all units 1, 3 and 4 operating but all three valves closed. The reading near the USGS gage was 5.71 mg/l while the bay 7 reading was 5.73 mg/l, indicating very minimal reduction from aerating. It is likely that the aerated water in the tailrace area did not flush out and resulted in higher readings. The USGS handheld meter was used to resample water quality at bay 2 and the DO dropped to 5.89 mg/l and 75% saturation.

#### Discussion

The three units tested will aerate with their current valve configurations. The inability to shut down unit 4 likely prevented the aerated flows from units 1 and 3 from reaching the shore, as they are located further toward the middle of the river. While the DO readings with various combinations of valves open for all three units was fairly stable, the initial increase from Unit 4 indicates there is an ability to increase dissolved oxygen by aerating. Saturation was between 71% initial reading (prior to any aeration), and 75% after the valve was opened, indicating an increase in saturation. Saturation levels were near 75% for all readings following the initial valve opening.

Saturation was calculated for all the DO excursions (below 4.0 mg/L) during the past three years as recorded by the USGS gage. While the saturation levels during the aeration testing ranged from 71% (without aerating) up to 76%, the levels calculated for the excursions varied between 44.8% and 51.18%. Water temperatures during the testing ranged between 27.5 and 28.1 °C, while temperature during the excursions was measured at 29.3 to 30.1 °C.

The initial increase in DO measured during testing was approximately 0.17 mg/l. This indicates the turbines have some ability to increase DO by aerating, although the saturation percentage and water temperatures were significantly different during the historic DO excursions. A better determination of effectiveness could be made under lower DO and saturation conditions during the summer. Also, testing during a period when all of the turbine units can be manipulated (turned on/off and aerating on/off) would give more precise information on the performance of each unit.

# APPENDIX A TAILRACE DATA

Date: 7/2/14

Samplers: Milton Quattlebaum and Kelly Miller

·		DO	Temp	
Time	Location	(mg/L)	(°C)	Units Running
5:11 AM	Unit 1	5.79	27.30	on
5:16 AM	Unit 2	5.92	27.45	off
5:20 AM	Unit 3	5.90	27.44	on
5:23 AM	Unit 4	6.01	27.69	on
5:26 AM	Unit 5	6.18	27.94	off
5:29 AM	Unit 6	6.14	27.94	off
5:35 AM	At USGS gage	6.12	27.92	
5:41 AM	DWNSTRM Plant	6.09	27.89	
6:16 AM	Unit 1	5.97	27.30	on
6:19 AM	Unit 2	5.89	27.40	off
6:21 AM	Unit 3	5.90	27.48	on
6:23 AM	Unit 4	6.06	27.74	on
6:26 AM	Unit 5	5.99	27.76	off
6:28 AM	Unit 6	5.98	27.79	off
6:33 AM	NPDES 001 sign	6.00	27.62	
6:37 AM	At USGS gage	5.95	27.74	
6:42 AM	DWNSTRM Plant	5.94	27.71	
7:17 AM	Unit 1	5.74	27.25	on
7:22 AM	Unit 2	5.82	27.36	off
7:25 AM	Unit 3	5.84	27.40	on
7:27 AM	Unit 4	6.03	27.64	on
7:30 AM	Unit 5	5.93	27.61	off
7:33 AM	Unit 6	5.89	27.63	off
7:36 AM	NPDES 001 sign	5.93	27.62	
7:42 AM	At USGS gage	5.86	27.56	
7:49 AM	DWNSTRM Plant	5.89	27.57	

			Parr Res.	Parr		
	Jenkinsville		Level	Crest	<b>USGS DO data</b>	USGS Temp data at
Time	02160991		02160990	Gate	at Jenkinsville	Jenkinsville
5:00 AM		221.37	261.52	258.50	6.2	27.8
6:00 AM		221.35	260.89	262.50	6.0	27.6
7:00 AM		221.65	260.44	258.50	6.0	27.5
8:00 AM					6.0	27.4

Date: 7/10/14

Samplers: Milton Quattlebaum and Kelly Miller

	•	DO	Temp	
Time	Location	(mg/L)	•	Units Running
5:04 AM	Unit 1	5.73		on
5:08 AM	Unit 2	5.75	27.45	off
5:11 AM	Unit 3	5.86	27.48	on
5:15 AM	Unit 4	6.09	27.53	on
5:18 AM	Unit 5	6.28	27.69	off
5:21 AM	Unit 6	6.24	27.66	off
5:24 AM	NPDES 001 sign	6.26	27.67	
5:32 AM	At USGS gage	6.24	27.61	
5:35 AM	DWNSTRM Plant	6.24	27.65	
6:07 AM	Unit 1	5.75	27.44	on
6:10 AM	Unit 2	5.82	27.47	off
6:13 AM	Unit 3	5.89	27.51	on
6:15 AM	Unit 4	6.27	27.64	on
6:18 AM	Unit 5	6.24	27.65	off
6:20 AM	Unit 6	6.20	27.64	off
6:22 AM	NPDES 001 sign	6.19	27.65	
6:27 AM	At USGS gage	6.16	27.63	
6:32 AM	DWNSTRM Plant	6.16	27.59	
7:14 AM	Unit 1	5.87	27.50	on
7:16 AM	Unit 2	5.84	27.51	off
7:19 AM	Unit 3	5.91	27.51	on
7:21 AM	Unit 4	6.19	27.59	on
7:23 AM	Unit 5	6.15	27.60	off
7:25 AM	Unit 6	6.16	27.62	off
7:27 AM	NPDES 001 sign	6.13	27.61	
7:33 AM	At USGS gage	6.08	27.61	
7:40 AM	DWNSTRM Plant	6.15	27.50	
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<sup>\*</sup>lowered crest gates 5 and 6 at 7:20 am

		Parr Res.	Parr		
	Jenkinsville	Level	Crest	USGS DO data at	USGS Temp data at
Time	02160991	02160990	Gate	Jenkinsville	Jenkinsville
5:00 AM	221.36	260.89	266.00	6.0	27.6
6:00 AM	221.35	260.57	266.00	5.9	27.5
7:00 AM	221.93	260.59	258.00	5.7	27.5
8:00 AM				5.5	27.4

Date: 7/15/14

8:00 AM

Samplers: Milton Quattlebaum and Kelly Miller

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Time	Location	(mg/L)	Temp (°C)	Units Running	
5:10 AM	Unit 1	5.30	28.19	on	
5:14 AM	Unit 2	5.29	28.25	off	
5:17 AM	Unit 3	5.30	28.29	on	
5:19 AM	Unit 4	5.70	28.42	on	
5:22 AM	Unit 5	5.63	28.45	off	
5:25 AM	Unit 6	5.54	28.48	off	
5:28 AM	NPDES 001 sign	5.64	28.41		
5:34 AM	At USGS gage	5.62	28.34		
5:39 AM	DWNSTRM Plant	5.57	28.41		
6:13 AM	Unit 1	4.77	28.18	on	
6:15 AM	Unit 2	4.81	28.21	off	
6:18 AM	Unit 3	4.92	28.22	on	
6:20 AM	Unit 4	5.19	28.25	on	
6:22 AM	Unit 5	5.40	28.16	off	
6:25 AM	Unit 6	5.35	28.24	off	
6:27 AM	NPDES 001 sign	5.31	28.34		
6:32 AM	At USGS gage	5.32	28.30		
6:36 AM	DWNSTRM Plant	5.33	28.29		
7:22 AM	Unit 1	4.98	28.18	on	
7:25 AM	Unit 2	4.94	28.15	off	
7:27 AM	Unit 3	4.94	28.11	on	
7:30 AM	Unit 4	5.00	28.12	on	
7:32 AM	Unit 5	5.18	28.18	off	
7:35 AM	Unit 6	5.02	28.19	off	
7:37 AM	NPDES 001 sign	5.03	28.16		
7:42 AM	At USGS gage	4.91	28.08		
7:47 AM	DWNSTRM Plant	5.00	28.18		
7:55 AM	Unit 1	4.86	28.12	on	
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Time	Jenkinsville 02160991	0216099 0	Parr Crest Gate	USGS DO data at Jenkinsville	data at Jenkinsville
5:00 AM	221.34	258.63	266, except 5&6 at 264	5.5	28.3
6:00 AM	221.34	258.40	266, except 5&6 at 264	5.4	28.2
7:00 AM	221.34	258.68	266, except 5&6 at 264	4.9	28
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Date: 7/24/14

Samplers: Milton Quattlebaum and Kelly Miller

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Time	Location	(mg/L)	Temp (°C)		Units Running
5:10 AM	Unit 1	5.23		27.34	off
5:15 AM	Unit 2	5.26		27.32	off
5:17 AM	Unit 3	5.21		27.30	off
5:21 AM	Unit 4	5.43		27.35	on
5:24 AM	Unit 5	5.15		27.32	off
5:29 AM	Unit 6	4.81		27.21	off
5:35 AM	NPDES 001 sign	5.11		27.29	
5:41 AM	At USGS gage	5.15		27.28	
5:46 AM	DWNSTRM Plant	4.70		27.19	
6:27 AM	Unit 1	5.27		27.29	off
6:33 AM	Unit 2	5.26		27.23	off
6:35 AM	Unit 3	5.28		27.28	off
6:38 AM	Unit 4	5.19		27.30	on
6:41 AM	Unit 5	5.09		27.29	off
6:43 AM	Unit 6	4.97		27.27	off
6:46 AM	NPDES 001 sign	5.05		27.21	
6:51 AM	At USGS gage	5.03		27.27	
6:56 AM	DWNSTRM Plant	4.72		27.09	
7:22 AM	Unit 1	5.18		27.24	off
7:32 AM	Unit 2	5.68		27.24	off
7:33 AM	Unit 3	5.68		27.27	off
7:37 AM	Unit 4	5.83		27.26	on
7:40 AM	Unit 5	5.49		27.25	off
7:42 AM	Unit 6	5.43		27.11	off
7:45 AM	NPDES 001 sign	5.50		27.21	
7:50 AM	At USGS gage	5.49		26.68	
7:55 AM	DWNSTRM Plant	5.47		27.06	
8:00 AM	Unit 1	5.63		27.25	off

	Jenkinsville	Parr Res. Level		USGS DO data at	USGS Temp data
Time	02160991	02160990	Parr Crest Gate	Jenkinsville	at Jenkinsville
5:00 AM	220.47	260.11	Gates 1, 2, 3, 4: 264	5.2	27.2
6:00 AM	220.47	259.41	Gates 5, 6, 7, 8: 266	5.2	27.2
7:00 AM	220.46	258.97		5.1	27.1
8:00 AM				5.3	27.1

Date: 7/31/14

Samplers: Milton Quattlebaum

•		DO			
Time	Location	(mg/L)	Temp (°C)	Units Running	
5:18 AM	Unit 1	5.72	27.49	on	
5:21 AM	Unit 2	5.73	27.52	off	
5:24 AM	Unit 3	5.73	27.50	off	
5:27 AM	Unit 4	5.78	27.51	on	
5:30 AM	Unit 5	5.65	27.49	off	
5:33 AM	Unit 6	5.60	27.48	off	
5:37 AM	NPDES 001 sign	5.67	27.46		
5:43 AM	At USGS gage	5.66	27.32		
5:50 AM	DWNSTRM Plant	5.54	27.39		
6:22 AM	Unit 1	5.71	27.42	on	
6:25 AM	Unit 2	5.71	27.47	off	
6:28 AM	Unit 3	5.73	27.48	off	
6:31 AM	Unit 4	5.81	27.46	on	
6:33 AM	Unit 5	5.61	27.42	off	
6:36 AM	Unit 6	5.59	27.41	off	
6:38 AM	NPDES 001 sign	5.64	27.43		
6:42 AM	At USGS gage	5.55	27.32		
6:47 AM	DWNSTRM Plant	5.61	27.22		
7:32 AM	Unit 1	5.64	27.41	on	
7:36 AM	Unit 2	5.69	27.37	off	
7:39 AM	Unit 3	5.69	27.42	off	
7:41 AM	Unit 4	5.73	27.41	on	
7:44 AM	Unit 5	5.63	27.39	off	
7:46 AM	Unit 6	5.66	27.38	off	
7:49 AM	NPDES 001 sign	5.68	27.38		
7:54 AM	At USGS gage	5.53	27.36		
7:59 AM	DWNSTRM Plant	5.61	27.32		
8:07 AM	Unit 1	5.60	27.49	on	
				*no gates	
				spilling	
		Parr Res.			USGS Temp
	Jenkinsville	Level		USGS DO data	data at
Time	02160991	02160990	Parr Crest Gate	at Jenkinsville	Jenkinsville
5:00 AM	220.97	260.44	Gates 1, 2, 5, 6, 9, 10: 266	5.8	27.4
6:00 AM	220.99	259.66	Gates 3, 4:264	5.7	27.3
7:00 AM	220.95	259.00	Gates 7, 8: 263	5.7	27.3
8:00 AM				5.7	27.3

Date: 8/7/14

8:00 AM

Samplers: Milton Quattlebaum

-		DO			
Time	Location	(mg/L)	Temp (°C)	Units Running	
5:14 AM	Unit 1	5.90	27.37	off	
5:14 AM	Unit 2	5.92	27.30	off	
5:20 AM	Unit 3	6.02	27.32	on	
5:23 AM	Unit 4	5.99	27.29	on	
5:26 AM	Unit 5	5.92	27.34	off	
5:29 AM	Unit 6	5.92	27.33	off	
5:33 AM	NPDES 001 sign	5.88	27.30		
5:39 AM	At USGS gage	5.90	27.30		
5:48 AM	DWNSTRM Plant	5.80	27.18		
6:25 AM	Unit 1	5.94	27.33	off	
6:29 AM	Unit 2	5.94	27.33	off	
6:31 AM	Unit 3	6.02	27.34	on	
6:34 AM	Unit 4	5.95	27.32	on	
6:36 AM	Unit 5	5.90	27.32	off	
6:39 AM	Unit 6	5.86	27.28	off	
6:42 AM	NPDES 001 sign	5.90	27.30		
6:48 AM	At USGS gage	5.84	27.27		
6:58 AM	DWNSTRM Plant	5.68	27.13		
7:27 AM	Unit 1	5.82	27.34	off	
7:30 AM	Unit 2	5.92	27.29	off	
7:33 AM	Unit 3	5.97	27.36	on	
7:36 AM	Unit 4	5.95	27.32	on	
7:39 AM	Unit 5	5.90	27.27	off	
7:42 AM	Unit 6	5.85	27.26	off	
7:45 AM	NPDES 001 sign	5.90	27.28		
7:49 AM	At USGS gage	5.74	27.21		
7:56 AM	DWNSTRM Plant	5.73	27.15		
8:03 AM	Unit 1	5.83	27.27	off	
				*no gates spillin	ıg
		Parr Res.			USGS Temp
	Jenkinsville	Level		USGS DO data	data at
Time	02160991	02160990	Parr Crest Gate	at Jenkinsville	Jenkinsville
5:00 AM	220.76	258.89	Gates 1, 2, 9, 10:266	6.0	27.2
6:00 AM	220.75	258.17	Gates 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8: 264	6.0	27.2
7:00 AM	220.72	258.02		5.9	27.2

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Date: 8/13/14

Samplers: Milton Quattlebaum and Kelly Miller

		DO				
Time	Location	(mg/L)	Temp (°C)		Units Running	
5:09 AM	Unit 1	5.87		26.18	on	
5:13 AM	Unit 2	5.85		26.24	off	
5:15 AM	Unit 3	5.89		26.26	on	
5:18 AM	Unit 4	5.93		26.26	on	
5:20 AM	Unit 5	5.80		26.28	off	
5:23 AM	Unit 6	5.81		26.27	off	
5:25 AM	NPDES 001 sign	5.82		26.27		
5:30 AM	At USGS gage	5.83		26.24		
5:35 AM	DWNSTRM Plant	5.85		26.23		
6:13 AM	Unit 1	5.85		26.20	on	
6:16 AM	Unit 2	5.87		26.19	off	
6:18 AM	Unit 3	5.85		26.21	on	
6:20 AM	Unit 4	5.93		26.19	on	
6:23 AM	Unit 5	5.83		26.18	off	
6:25 AM	Unit 6	5.81		26.18	off	
6:28 AM	NPDES 001 sign	5.83		26.18		
6:33 AM	At USGS gage	5.86		26.15		
6:38 AM	DWNSTRM Plant	5.87		26.14		
7:17 AM	Unit 1	5.86		26.14	on	
7:19 AM	Unit 2	5.86		26.15	off	
7:21 AM	Unit 3	5.88		26.15	on	
7:23 AM	Unit 4	5.94		26.12	on	
7:25 AM	Unit 5	5.86		26.10	off	
7:27 AM	Unit 6	5.88		26.09	off	
7:29 AM	NPDES 001 sign	5.89		26.08		
7:33 AM	At USGS gage	5.83		26.07		
7:37 AM	DWNSTRM Plant	5.90		26.06		
7:41 AM	Unit 1	5.90		26.12	on	
					*no gates spillin	g
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	Jenkinsville	Level			USGS DO data	data at
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		Parr Res.			USGS Temp
	Jenkinsville	Level		<b>USGS DO data</b>	data at
Time	02160991	02160990	Parr Crest Gate	at Jenkinsville	Jenkinsville
5:00 AM	221.33	259.89	1, 2, 9, 10: 266	5.9	26.1
6:00 AM	221.33	259.5	3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8: 261	5.9	26.0
7:00 AM	221.07	259.57		5.9	26.0
8:00 AM				5.9	26.0

Date: 8/20/14

Samplers: Milton Quattlebaum

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Time	Location	DO (mg/L)	Temp (°C)		Units Running
5:24 AM	Unit 1	5.53		27.54	on
5:27 AM	Unit 2	5.88		27.68	off
5:30 AM	Unit 3	5.91		27.65	off
5:33 AM	Unit 4	5.99		27.67	on
5:36 AM	Unit 5	5.92		27.68	off
5:39 AM	Unit 6	5.91		27.64	off
5:42 AM	NPDES 001 sign	5.91		27.64	
5:48 AM	At USGS gage	5.90		27.47	
5:53 AM	DWNSTRM Plant	5.90		27.55	
6:26 AM	Unit 1	5.63		27.70	on
6:29 AM	Unit 2	5.87		27.68	off
6:31 AM	Unit 3	5.86		27.67	off
6:33 AM	Unit 4	5.91		27.66	on
6:35 AM	Unit 5	5.87		27.63	off
6:38 AM	Unit 6	5.86		27.60	off
6:41 AM	NPDES 001 sign	5.93		27.65	
6:46 AM	At USGS gage	5.97		27.21	
6:50 AM	DWNSTRM Plant	5.86		27.48	
7:32 AM	Unit 1	5.67		27.64	on
7:34 AM	Unit 2	5.96		27.57	off
7:38 AM	Unit 3	5.92		27.66	off
7:41 AM	Unit 4	6.02		27.65	on
7:43 AM	Unit 5	5.97		27.64	off
7:45 AM	Unit 6	5.87		27.53	off
7:48 AM	NPDES 001 sign	5.93		27.61	
7:56 AM	At USGS gage	5.86		27.47	
8:00 AM	DWNSTRM Plant	5.83		27.50	
8:09 AM	Unit 1	5.73		27.61	on
					*no gates spilling

		Parr Res.			USGS Temp
	Jenkinsville	Level		<b>USGS DO data</b>	data at
Time	02160991	02160990	Parr Crest Gate	at Jenkinsville	Jenkinsville
5:00 AM	220.97	258.50	1, 2, 9, 10: 265	5.8	27.6
6:00 AM	220.96	258.37	3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8: 266	5.8	27.6
7:00 AM	220.94	258.42		5.7	27.5
8:00 AM				5.7	27.5

Date: 8/26/14

8:00 AM

Samplers: Milton Quattlebaum

		DO			
Time	Location	(mg/L)	Temp (°C)	Units Running	
5:17 AM	Unit 1	7.05	28.08	off	
5:20 AM	Unit 2	7.02	28.08	off	
5:23 AM	Unit 3	7.09	28.07	on	
5:26 AM	Unit 4	6.41	28.08	on	
5:28 AM	Unit 5	6.29	28.06	off	
5:31 AM	Unit 6	6.25	28.03	off	
5:34 AM	NPDES 001 sign	6.30	28.04		
5:41 AM	At USGS gage	6.29	27.90		
5:46 AM	DWNSTRM Plant	6.20	27.95		
6:26 AM	Unit 1	7.00	28.02	off	
6:29 AM	Unit 2	7.06	28.00	off	
6:32 AM	Unit 3	7.03	27.98	on	
6:35 AM	Unit 4	6.64	27.90	on	
6:38 AM	Unit 5	6.43	27.86	off	
6:41 AM	Unit 6	6.41	27.82	off	
6:45 AM	NPDES 001 sign	6.50	27.87		
6:51 AM	At USGS gage	6.51	27.82		
6:56 AM	DWNSTRM Plant	6.36	27.61		
7:30 AM	Unit 1	6.74	27.81	off	
7:32 AM	Unit 2	6.81	27.79	off	
7:34 AM	Unit 3	6.80	27.84	on	
7:36 AM	Unit 4	6.68	27.71	on	
7:38 AM	Unit 5	6.45	27.74	off	
7:42 AM	Unit 6	6.47	27.66	off	
7:44 AM	NPDES 001 sign	6.50	27.74		
7:48 AM	At USGS gage	6.35	27.71		
7:53 AM	DWNSTRM Plant	6.29	27.60		
8:01 AM	Unit 1	6.67	27.79	off	
				*no gates spilling	
		Parr Res.			USGS Temp
	Jenkinsville	Level		<b>USGS DO data</b>	data at
Time	02160991	02160990	Parr Crest Gate	at Jenkinsville	Jenkinsville
5:00 AM	221.10	261.50	1, 2, 9, 10: 266	6.3	27.9
6:00 AM	221.10	261.33	3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8: 265	6.4	27.8
7:00 AM	221.08	261.01		6.4	27.6

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Date: 9/03/14

Samplers: Milton Quattlebaum and Kelly Miller

•		DO				
Time	Location	(mg/L)	Temp (°C)		Units Running	
5:01 AM	Unit 1	5.88		28.45	on	
5:04 AM	Unit 2	5.74		28.41	off	
5:10 AM	Unit 3	5.61		28.40	on	
5:14 AM	Unit 4	5.75		28.42	on	
5:17 AM	Unit 5	5.67		28.49	off	
5:19 AM	Unit 6	5.63		28.48	off	
5:24 AM	NPDES 001 sign	5.82		28.35		
5:29 AM	At USGS gage	6.02		28.86		
5:35 AM	DWNSTRM Plant	6.11		28.43		
6:19 AM	Unit 1	5.56		28.41	on	
6:21 AM	Unit 2	5.58		28.41	off	
6:25 AM	Unit 3	5.53		28.42	on	
6:27 AM	Unit 4	5.62		28.44	on	
6:30 AM	Unit 5	5.73		28.46	off	
6:33 AM	Unit 6	5.69		28.47	off	
6:35 AM	NPDES 001 sign	5.71		28.46		
6:40 AM	At USGS gage	5.73		28.46		
6:45 AM	DWNSTRM Plant	5.69		28.13		
7:31 AM	Unit 1	5.57		28.61	on	
7:36 AM	Unit 2	5.62		28.60	off	
7:39 AM	Unit 3	5.63		28.59	on	
7:41 AM	Unit 4	5.61		28.57	on	
7:44 AM	Unit 5	5.63		28.54	off	
7:47 AM	Unit 6	5.56		28.54	off	
7:49 AM	NPDES 001 sign	5.53		28.55		
7:53 AM	At USGS gage	5.46		28.51		
7:59 AM	DWNSTRM Plant	5.56		28.30		
8:05 AM	Unit 1	5.55		28.51	on	
					*no gates spilli	ng
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		Parr Res.			<b>USGS Temp</b>
	Jenkinsville	Level		<b>USGS DO data</b>	data at
Time	02160991	02160990	Parr Crest Gate	at Jenkinsville	Jenkinsville
5:00 AM	221.43	259.43	all @ 266	5.7	28.4
6:00 AM	221.38	259.1		5.8	28.4
7:00 AM	221.38	258.74		5.4	28.4
8:00 AM				5.4	28.4

Date: 9/10/14

Samplers: Milton Quattlebaum

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Time	Location	(mg/L)	Temp (°C)	Units Running	
6:02 AM	Unit 1	5.90	27.12	on	
6:04 AM	Unit 2	5.82	27.11	off	
6:07 AM	Unit 3	5.71	27.09	off	
6:10 AM	Unit 4	5.77	27.09	on	
6:13 AM	Unit 5	5.62	27.08	off	
6:17 AM	Unit 6	5.61	27.04	off	
6:20 AM	NPDES 001 sign	5.65	27.01		
6:30 AM	At USGS gage	5.62	27.04		
6:35 AM	DWNSTRM Plant	5.64	26.98		
7:22 AM	Unit 1	5.82	26.95	on	
7:26 AM	Unit 2	5.76	26.94	off	
7:29 AM	Unit 3	5.83	26.92	off	
7:32 AM	Unit 4	5.81	26.92	on	
7:35 AM	Unit 5	5.66	26.93	off	
7:38 AM	Unit 6	5.74	26.67	off	
7:41 AM	NPDES 001 sign	5.69	26.90		
7:46 AM	At USGS gage	5.78	26.64		
7:50 AM	DWNSTRM Plant	5.72	26.72		
8:27 AM	Unit 1	5.78	26.81	on	
8:30 AM	Unit 2	5.80	26.87	off	
8:33 AM	Unit 3	5.79	26.85	off	
8:36 AM	Unit 4	5.85	26.85	on	
8:38 AM	Unit 5	5.80	26.86	off	
8:40 AM	Unit 6	5.76	26.83	off	
8:42 AM	NPDES 001 sign	5.78	26.84		
8:46 AM	At USGS gage	5.71	26.75		
8:50 AM	DWNSTRM Plant	5.80	26.80		
9:00 AM	Unit 1	5.65	26.82	on	
				*no gates spillin	ıg
		Parr Res.			USGS Temp
	Jenkinsville	Level		USGS DO data	data at
Time	02160991	02160990	Parr Crest Gate	at Jenkinsville	Jenkinsville
6:00 AM	221.07	259.38	all @ 266	5.6	26.9
7:00 AM	221.05	259.44		5.7	26.8
8:00 AM	221.06	259.43		5.7	26.8

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### APPENDIX B

9:00 AM

Date: 9/16/14

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Samplers: Milton Quattlebaum

Samplers. I	viiitori Quattiebauiii	DO			
Time	Location	(mg/L)	Temp (°C)	Units Running	
6:01 AM		5.13	26.99	off	
6:04 AM	Unit 2	5.37	26.73	off	
6:07 AM		5.36	27.06	off	
6:09 AM	Unit 4	5.25	27.06	on	
6:12 AM	Unit 5	4.95	27.01	off	
6:15 AM	Unit 6	4.97	26.96	off	
6:18 AM	NPDES 001 sign	4.95	26.84		
6:22 AM	At USGS gage	4.94	26.81		
6:26 AM	DWNSTRM Plant	4.87	26.77		
7:03 AM	Unit 1	5.16	26.99	off	
7:05 AM	Unit 2	5.20	26.96	off	
7:08 AM	Unit 3	5.34	26.98	off	
7:11 AM	Unit 4	5.10	26.99	on	
7:13 AM	Unit 5	5.00	26.92	off	
7:16 AM	Unit 6	4.97	26.93	off	
7:19 AM	NPDES 001 sign	4.81	26.85		
7:24 AM	At USGS gage	4.98	26.80		
7:30 AM	DWNSTRM Plant	4.95	26.83		
8:02 AM	Unit 1	5.18	26.91	off	
8:05 AM	Unit 2	5.15	26.92	off	
8:08 AM	Unit 3	5.30	26.88	off	
8:11 AM	Unit 4	5.24	26.93	on	
8:13 AM	Unit 5	4.99	26.93	off	
8:15 AM	Unit 6	4.96	26.91	off	
8:18 AM	NPDES 001 sign	5.04	26.80		
8:24 AM	0 0	4.92	26.87		
8:28 AM	DWNSTRM Plant	5.12	26.67		
8:39 AM	Unit 1	5.26	26.89		
		Parr Res.			USGS Temp
	Jenkinsville	Level		USGS DO data	data at
Time	02160991	02160990	Parr Crest Gate	at Jenkinsville	Jenkinsville
6:00 AM	220.54	259.57	, , , -	5.0	26.9
7:00 AM	220.54	259.73	3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8@262	5.0	26.8

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Date: 9/25/14

9:00 AM

Samplers: Milton Quattlebaum

Time	Location	DO (mag/L)	Tames (°C)	Llaita Duanina	
Time	Location	DO (mg/L)	Temp (°C)	Units Running	
6:09	Unit 1	7.80	21.40	off	
6:11	Unit 2	7.76	21.42	off	
6:15	Unit 3	7.81	21.44	on	
6:17	Unit 4	7.85	20.90	on	
6:21	Unit 5	7.70	21.39	off	
6:24	Unit 6	7.65	21.42	off	
6:27	NPDES 001 sign	7.66	21.43		
6:33	At USGS gage	7.10	21.40		
6:40	DWNSTRM Plant	7.61	21.36		
7:17	Unit 1	7.69	21.68	off	
7:19	Unit 2	7.71	21.67	off	
7:21	Unit 3	7.80	21.67	on	
7:23	Unit 4	7.70	21.61	on	
7:25	Unit 5	7.58	21.57	off	
7:27	Unit 6	7.62	21.62	off	
7:29	NPDES 001 sign	7.60	21.62		
7:34	At USGS gage	7.65	21.61		
7:39	DWNSTRM Plant	7.31	21.59		
8:13	Unit 1	7.67	21.75	off	
8:15	Unit 2	7.65	21.72	off	
8:17	Unit 3	7.71	21.75	on	
8:19	Unit 4	7.66	21.62	on	
8:21	Unit 5	7.65	21.51	off	
8:23	Unit 6	7.58	21.59	off	
8:25	NPDES 001 sign	7.63	21.60		
8:29	At USGS gage	7.62	21.42		
8:34	DWNSTRM Plant	7.59	21.47		
8:39	Unit 1	7.68	21.65	off	
				*no gates spillir	ng
		Parr Res.			
	Jenkinsville	Level		USGS DO data	USGS Temp data
Time	02160991	02160990	Parr Crest Gate	at Jenkinsville	at Jenkinsville
6:00 AM	221.06	259.18	all @ 266	7.3	21.5
7:00 AM	221.05	259.2		7.3	21.5
8:00 AM	221.05	259.24		7.3	21.5

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# APPENDIX B 2015 TURBINE VENTING TEST RESULTS

### Parr Aeration Investigation – July 2015

SCE&G initially performed turbine venting testing at the Parr Shoals Development during 2014. Based on the initial success of that testing for periodically increasing dissolved oxygen (DO) levels in the tailrace, SCE&G performed additional turbine venting testing on July 9, 2015. The results of this testing will be used to develop a Turbine Venting Plan for the Parr Shoals Development and submitted as part of the 401 Water Quality Certification application process for the Parr Hydroelectric Project.

During each test run, water quality measurements (DO, temperature, and % DO saturation) were recorded with handheld meters in the tailrace outflow of each unit being tested. Units 1, 2, 3, 5 and 6 were available for testing. Unit 4 was under repair and could not be tested. Unit 6 does not have a vacuum breaker installed on the headcover and cannot be vented, but was tested to determine its aerating capability. During testing all river flow was passed through the turbine units and the crest gates were in the closed (raised) position. The headpond and tailwater elevations were also recorded, as were individual generator kW and kVar outputs (Table 1).

At the beginning of each turbine test, tailrace readings were collected with the unit running and the vacuum breaker closed. After approximately 5 to 10 minutes, the vacuum breaker valve was fully opened to allow aeration. The effects of the introduced air were clearly visible in the tailrace for each unit tested. The unit was allowed to run for another 5 to 10 minutes until tailrace readings stabilized before data was recorded. Each unit was tested in sequence using this same scenario. Unit 6 data was collected to see the DO levels that occurred on that unit with no venting available. Surprisingly, Unit 6 DO levels were fairly high without venting which may be an artifact of its location near the shoreline. Unit 6 may pull water from closer to the surface than the other units located further away from the shoreline.

#### Discussion

Each of the units 1, 2, 3, and 5 tested will aerate with their current valve configurations and each increased DO levels at a different amounts. Testing showed that the units vent from highest to lowest as follows: 3, 1, 5, 2, 4, and 6. SCE&G will use this information to develop a Turbine Venting Plan for the Parr Shoals Development that will be submitted to South Carolina Department of Health and Environmental Control for discussion and approval.

Table B-1. Summary of Turbine Venting at Parr Shoals Dam July 9, 2015.

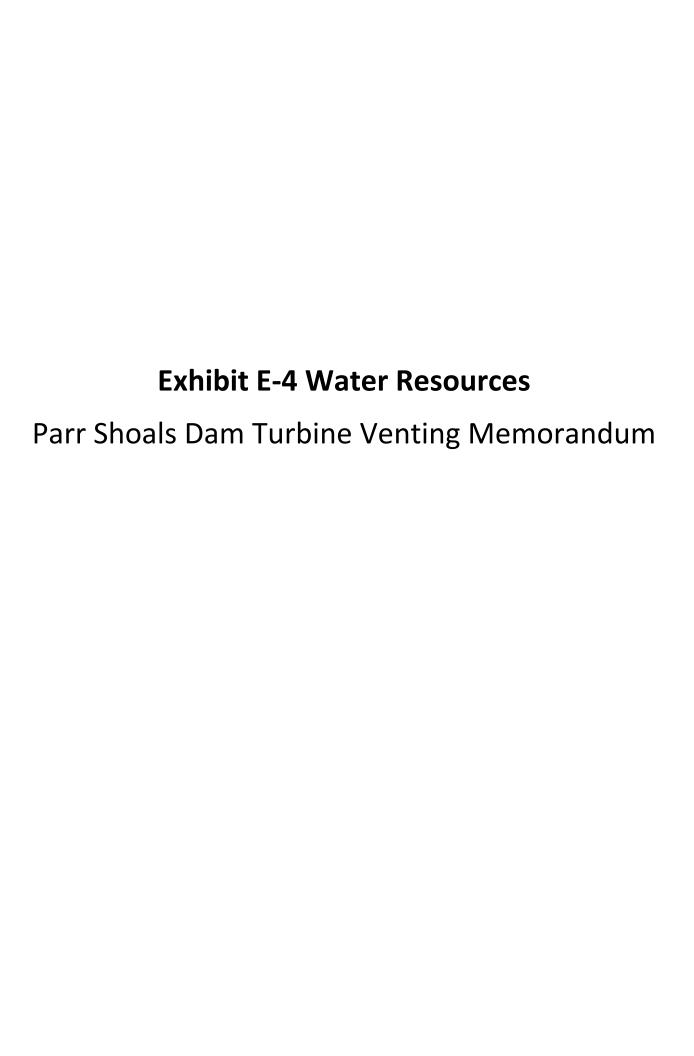
Unit	Vent	DO	DO	Saturation	Saturation	Temp	Gate	Output	KVars
Tested	Open/Close	(mg/L)	Increase	%	Increase	(F)	Setting	(KW)	
			(mg/L)		%		%		
1	Close	4.65		59.8		82.9	45	1473	150
1	Open	5.04	0.39	64.3	4.5	83.0	45	1426	145
2	Close	4.60		58.8		82.9	43	1520	144
2	Open	4.80	0.20	61.2	2.4	82.9	43	1475	144
3	Close	4.70		60.0		82.9	45	1370	153
3	Open	5.15	0.45	65.2	5.2	82.9	45	1300	142
5	Close	4.84		62.4		82.9	45	1560	154
5	Open	5.20	0.36	65.6	3.2	82.9	45	1476	150
6	No Vent	5.10		65.2		83.0	39	1426	145

Unit 4 was not available for testing

Unit 6 does not have a vent

Headwater elevation remained stable between 258.1 – 257.9 msl during the test

Tailwater Elevation remained stable between 221.0 – 220.8 msl during the test



# PARR HYDROELECTRIC PROJECT – FERC No. 1894 PARR SHOALS DAM TURBINE VENTING – MEMORANDUM

To: Water Quality Technical Working Committee

**FROM:** Kleinschmidt Associates

**DATE:** August 15, 2016

**RE:** 2016 Turbine Venting Test Results

### **INTRODUCTION**

Following the completion of the Parr Hydroelectric Project Baseline Water Quality Report, there were questions from the Water Quality TWC regarding occasional low dissolved oxygen (DO) in the tailrace downstream of Parr Shoals Dam. At a Water Quality TWC meeting on February 4, 2014, the TWC noted that the Baseline Water Quality Report identified periodic excursions of DO levels less than 4.0 mg/L in the Parr Shoals Dam tailrace, as reported by the USGS station 02160991. In an effort to understand these excursions better, SCE&G consolidated historic USGS data to examine these excursions and issued an addendum to the Baseline Water Quality Report in June 2014. At the request of the Water Quality TWC, SCE&G collected additional water quality data in the summer of 2014 in the tailrace and forebay of Parr Shoals Dam in an attempt to determine whether project operations are causing these excursions. These results were summarized in a memo issued on March 2, 2015. SCE&G followed up this effort by collecting another series of water quality data in the Parr forebay from May through mid-October 2015. The results of this data collection effort was summarized in the Parr Shoals Dam Turbine Venting Report.

In addition, SCE&G proposed to test all of the Parr turbines for their ability to self-vent and potentially increase the dissolved oxygen in the tailrace during specific periods of the year. An initial test of the turbines' capacity to vent was performed August 2014; a second test to determine which turbines had the most significant impact on increasing dissolved oxygen was performed in July 2015. The results of the testing, along with the findings published in the Baseline Water Quality Report, were used to develop a Turbine Venting Plan. At the March 2016 Water Quality TWC meeting, SCE&G proposed to test the Turbine Venting Plan during June 15<sup>th</sup> through July 31<sup>st</sup> of 2016. In addition to testing the plan during 2016, SCE&G also conducted a re-test of Unit 4 after installation of the new "air-cooled wooden bearings". The results of each of these tests are presented in this document.

### METHODOLOGY AND RESULTS

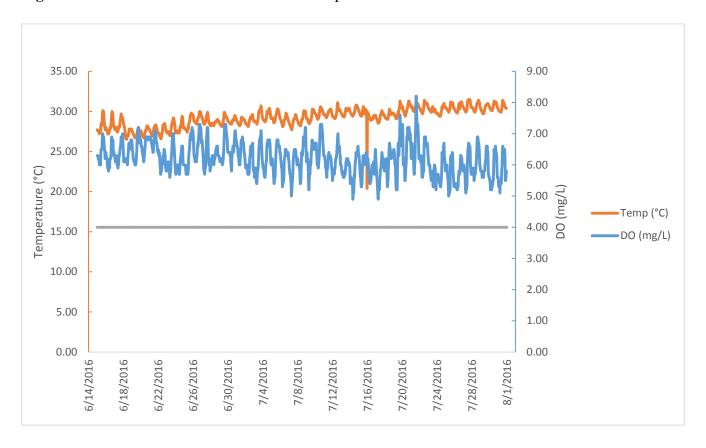
SCE&G implemented the proposed Turbine Venting Plan from June 15 through July 31, 2016. The success of turbine venting was measured at the USGS Gage No. 02160991, Broad River near Jenkinsville, SC.

Dissolved oxygen and temperatures observed in the tailrace are illustrated in Figure 1. No excursions of DO levels less than 4.0 mg/L were observed (Table 1).

 Table 1
 Parr Shoals Tailrace Maximum and Minimum DO and Temperature

		June		July
	DO	Temperature	DO	Temperature
	(mg/L)	(°C)	(mg/L)	(°C)
Maximum	7.30	30.10	8.20	31.50
Minimum	5.60	26.50	4.90	20.40

Figure 1 Parr Shoals Tailrace DO and Temperature



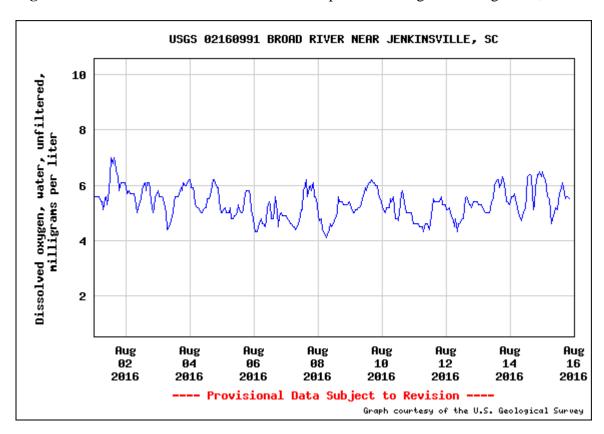
Turbine venting test of Unit 4 are presented in Table 2. The testing noted a DO uptake of approximately 0.20 mg/l. The testing performed during 2014 identified an uptake of 0.16, which is slightly less than the latest testing results.

 Table 2
 Parr Shoals Turbine Venting Unit 4 Test – August 2016

Test #	Time (DST)	Breaker Position Open/Closed	DO (mg/l)	Temp (°C)	TDG	% Sat	HP EI	TW EI	KW	Kvars Act.	Gates Act. (%)	ВР
1	9:00	closed	5.08	29.42	713	67.2	257.22	220.70	1360±	150	45	759
2	9:40	open	5.3	29.48	718	70.2	257.53	220.72	1360±	151	46	759
Notes:												
Request	Requested plant/system control to have all gates up and a max. of 2 units generating by 07:00 (DST).											
Units 4 8	Units 4 & 6 were operating and all gates up upon arrival at the plant. Unit 6 was shutdown at 08:20 (DST).											
Breaker	Breaker valve on Unit 4 was opened at approx. 09:20 (DST).											

Also of note was the general decline in DO levels recorded at the Jenkinsville gage during the first 2 weeks of August, 2016 (Figure 2). We are not sure if this is related to drops associated with the cessation of turbine venting or environmental factors.

Figure 2 Parr Shoals Tailrace DO and Temperature – August 1 – August 16, 2016



### **CONCLUSION**

Based on the results of the 2016 Turbine Venting Plan test, turbine venting at the Parr Shoals Development was successful. Testing of Unit 4 during 2016 showed a slight increase in DO uptake. We also noted a decrease in DO levels during August.

Based on these findings, SCE&G proposes to perform turbine venting tests during 2017 and to extend the venting season to include June 15 through August 31. SCE&G will use the results of the 2016 and 2017 testing and the individual Unit test to update and modify the current Turbine Venting Plan. SCE&G plans to include the updated Turbine Venting Plan as one of the proposed protection, mitigation, and enhancement measures to be included in the Final License Application for continued operation of the Parr Hydroelectric Project (FERC No. 1894).

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Parr Shoals Dam Turbine Venting Memorandum 2

## PARR HYDROELECTRIC PROJECT – FERC No. 1894 PARR SHOALS DAM TURBINE VENTING – MEMORANDUM 2

**To:** Water Quality Technical Working Committee

**FROM:** Kleinschmidt Associates

**DATE:** November 6, 2017

**RE:** 2017 Turbine Venting Test Results

### **INTRODUCTION**

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The Project is in a relicensing process which involves cooperation and collaboration between SCE&G, as licensee, and a variety of stakeholders including state and federal resource agencies, state and local government, non-governmental organizations (NGO), and interested individuals. SCE&G has established several Technical Working Committees (TWC's) whose members include interested stakeholders. The TWC's objectives include the evaluation of relicensing issues and making recommendations to address these issues in the new license.

Following the completion of the Parr Hydroelectric Project Baseline Water Quality Report, there were questions regarding occasional low dissolved oxygen (DO) in the tailrace downstream of Parr Shoals Dam. At a Water Quality TWC meeting on February 4, 2014, the TWC noted that the Baseline Water Quality Report identified periodic excursions of dissolved oxygen (DO) levels less than 4.0 mg/L in the Parr Shoals Dam tailrace, as reported by the USGS station 02160991. SCE&G consolidated historic USGS data to examine these excursions and issued an addendum to the Baseline Water Quality Report in June 2014. At the request of the Water Quality TWC, SCE&G collected additional water quality data in the summer of 2014 in the tailrace and forebay of Parr Shoals Dam to determine whether project operations are causing these excursions. These results were summarized in a memo issued on March 2, 2015. SCE&G followed up this effort by collecting another series of water quality data in the Parr forebay from

May through mid-October 2015. The results of that data collection effort were summarized in the October 2016 Parr Shoals Dam Turbine Venting Report.

Additionally, SCE&G tested each of the Parr turbines for their ability to self-vent and potentially increase the dissolved oxygen in the tailrace during specific periods of the year. An initial test of the turbines' capacity to vent was performed August 2014; a second test to determine which turbines had the most significant impact on increasing DO was performed in July 2015. The results of the testing, along with the findings published in the Baseline Water Quality Report were used to develop a Turbine Venting Plan. SCE&G conducted a test of the Turbine Venting Plan from June 15 through July 31 of 2016. The results of this test were reported as a Memorandum dated August 15, 2016 and included as Appendix B to the April 2017 Parr Shoals Dam Turbine Venting Plan. In this Memorandum SCE&G proposed to perform turbine venting tests during 2017, and to extend the venting operation period in the Turbine Venting Plan to June 15 through August 31.

SCE&G operated the Parr Development according to the Turbine Venting Plan from June 15 to August 31, 2017. This memo compares DO levels measured at the USGS gauge in the tailrace to generation data during this period to determine how successful the Turbine Venting Plan was during 2017.

### **METHODS**

Dissolved oxygen data was obtained from the Jenkinsville river gage (USGS 02160991; USGS 2017) and generation data was provided by SCE&G. Dissolved oxygen and generation data were compared from June 15, 2017- August 31, 2017, during the period when SCE&G operated Parr according to the Turbine Venting Plan. Hourly and daily mean dissolved oxygen levels were compared to hourly and daily mean generation, which was described by total megawatts produced (MW).

#### **RESULTS**

Daily mean DO levels between June 15 and August 31, 2017 ranged from 4.1 to 7.4 mg/l. A total of 6 days (July 22-24 and August 15-16, & 22) had mean DO levels below 5.0 mg/l, and 71 days

had a daily mean DO at or above 5.0 mg/l (Figure 1). A total of 28 out of 1,863 measurements recorded DO levels below 4.0 mg/l (Figure 2). DO levels less than 4.0 mg/l were recorded over several measurements each on July 21<sup>st</sup>, 22<sup>nd</sup>, 23<sup>rd</sup>, and 25<sup>th</sup>., as well as once on August 19. Daily generation ranged from 39.1 MW to 190.8 MW (Figure 1).

Instantaneous DO levels generally remained above 6 mg/l during June, and briefly dropped below 5 mg/l for one hour on June 22<sup>nd</sup> (Figure 3). Instantaneous DO levels were highly variable during July, and generally remained above 5 mg/l except for a five-day period in late July (July 21<sup>st</sup>- July 25<sup>th</sup>) where DO levels dropped below 5 mg/l (Figure 4). Instantaneous DO levels generally remained above 5 mg/l in August, and dropped below 4 mg/l for one hour on August 19<sup>th</sup> (Figure 5).

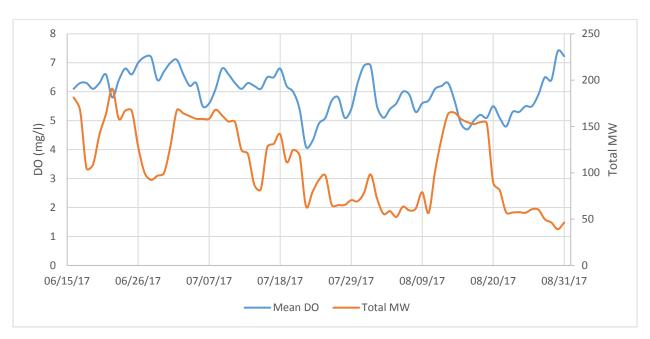


FIGURE 1. TOTAL DAILY GENERATION AND DAILY MEAN DO AT THE JENKINSVILLE GAGE

LOCATED DOWNSTREAM OF PARR SHOALS DAM

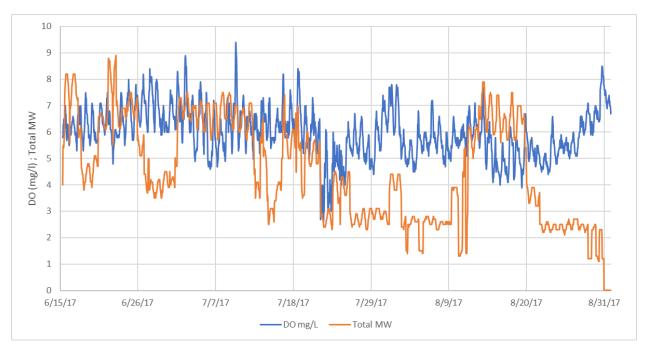


FIGURE 2. HOURLY DO LEVELS AND HOURLY GENERATION (JUNE 15-AUGUST 31)



FIGURE 3. HOURLY DO LEVELS AND HOURLY GENERATION (JUNE 15- JUNE 30)

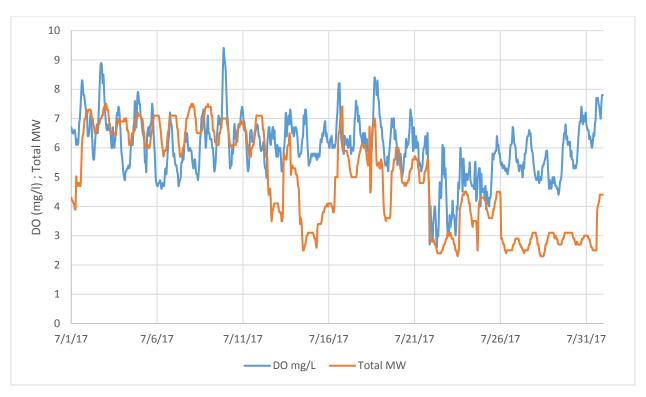


FIGURE 4. HOURLY DO LEVELS AND HOURLY GENERATION (JULY 1- JULY 31)

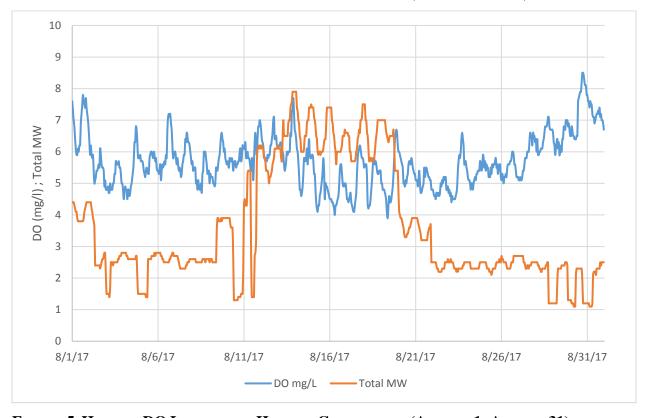


FIGURE 5. HOURLY DO LEVELS AND HOURLY GENERATION (AUGUST 1- AUGUST 31)

### **DISCUSSION**

In mid-August, SCE&G attempted to monitor DO levels in the forebay using HOBO loggers, but fouling from extensive growth of aquatic vegetation was an issue throughout the study period and meaningful data was not collected. As such, the extent to which turbine venting increased DO levels in releases from Parr could not be accurately determined. Additionally, fouling also affected the accuracy of DO readings at the USGS Jenkinsville gage. However, SCE&G notified the USGS of the situation, and the data was corrected and is assumed accurate as reported (C. Gaston pers. comm., October 26, 2017).

Mean daily DO levels generally remained above 5 mg/l, and hourly DO levels generally remained above 4 mg/l, although DO levels did fall below these thresholds on several occasions during July and August. One potential factor that may have contributed to these limited excursions is that rainfall in July was well below normal (2.37 inches 2017 compared to 4.23 inches during average years) (NCDC 2017). Furthermore, a storm event on July 16 that registered more than 2.5 inches on several rain gauges in the vicinity (NCDC 2017a, NCDC 2017b) may also have been a contributing factor by increasing the run-off of biological oxygen demanding nutrients and organic material into the river. Ensuing low flow conditions would increase residence time for these materials in the reservoir, providing an opportunity for increased bacterial decomposition and a resultant oxygen depletion. Additionally, river flows during this period were below the long-term daily median during late July (Figure 6).

Dissolved oxygen excursions in August were likely caused by similar scenarios as July. Rainfall for August totaled 0.52 inches, compared to a long-term average of 4.71 inches (NCDC 2017a, NCDC 2017b). A high flow pulse experienced August 15-16 (Figure 6) was likely the result of a rain event in the Upper Broad River drainage that was potentially very turbid, inhibiting photosynthetic contribution to reservoir DO levels and flushing low-DO water from the reservoir that had accumulated due to low flows and higher residence times.

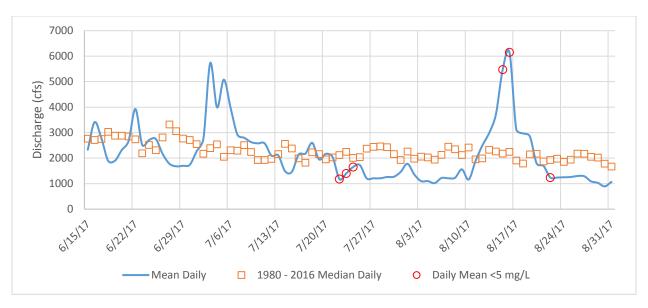


FIGURE 6. LONG-TERM MEDIAN AND MEAN DAILY DISCHARGE FOR BROAD RIVER AT ALSTON
GAUGE (USGS 2017A)

### CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

Based on these findings, SCE&G proposes to perform turbine venting tests again during 2018 from June 15 through August 31. SCE&G will use the results of the 2016, 2017 and 2018 testing to update and modify the current Turbine Venting Plan. SCE&G plans to include the updated Turbine Venting Plan as one of the proposed protection, mitigation, and enhancement measures in the Final License Application for continued operation of the Parr Hydroelectric Project.

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Parr Shoals Dam Turbine Venting Plan

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#### 2.0 OPERATING PROCEDURES

Turbine venting shall occur continuously during the "venting period" for each calendar year, with vents opened as turbines are started up and brought online. During the venting period, the turbines will be operated with vents opened in a first-on / last-off order as follows: 3, 1, 5, 2, 4, and 6. Exceptions to this operating order shall occur due to equipment maintenance that results in unit outages, emergency conditions, or if additional turbine venting is available in the future.

SCE&G shall follow the venting procedures from June 15 through August 31 of each year. This period captures all of the excursions recorded by the nearby USGS Gage No. 02160991, Broad River near Jenkinsville, SC since the current probe was installed in 2011. However, in the event excursions begin occurring outside of the established turbine venting window, SCE&G will consult with SCDHEC and adjust or extend the window as appropriate.

#### 3.0 DOCUMENTATION

SCE&G shall provide documentation to the South Carolina Department of Health and Environmental Control of hourly dissolved oxygen excursions below the standard within ten days of occurrence. The compliance measurement point for dissolved oxygen will be the USGS Gage No. 02160991, Broad River near Jenkinsville, SC. Should a dissolved oxygen deviation occur, upon request from a consulting agency, SCE&G shall provide hourly operation records to agency representatives to demonstrate adherence to the order of turbine operating during a venting period. Documentation of maintenance activities to justify deviation from the turbine operating order will also be provided, should a deviation occur.

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In addition, SCE&G proposed to test all of the Parr turbines for their ability to self-vent and potentially increase the dissolved oxygen in the tailrace during specific periods of the year. An initial test of the turbines' capacity to vent was performed August 2014; a second test to determine which turbines had the most significant impact on increasing dissolved oxygen was performed in July 2015. The results of the testing, along with the findings published in the Baseline Water Quality Report, were used to develop a Turbine Venting Plan, which is also included in this report.

#### 2.0 OBJECTIVES

Parr forebay data was collected from May through mid-October, 2015 in an effort to determine if low DO in the tailrace was caused by low DO in the forebay as it passed downstream through the powerhouse and turbines. Additionally, the turbine vent testing was performed in the summer of 2015 to determine if turbine venting had a positive impact on DO in the tailrace. The results of the turbine vent testing were used to develop a Turbine Venting Plan for use during periods of the low DO season.

#### 3.0 METHODS

#### 3.1 METHODS USED FOR TURBINE VENTING TESTING

During the 2014 test, the primary objective was to determine the turbines' physical capacity to self-vent. This requires both the presence of vacuum breakers (which are used during dewatering operations) (Photo 3-1), as well as the proper turbine vertical setting and sufficient gross head to draw air into the turbine during operation. With a turbine operating, the vacuum breaker valve is opened, and venting can be audibly determined. Aeration of the water can also be visually observed in the tailrace (Photo 3-2).

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PHOTO 3-1 PIPING FOR VACUUM BREAKERS IN HEADCOVER



PHOTO 3-2 TURBINE DISCHARGE WITH VENTS OPEN

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Water quality measurements (dissolved oxygen, temperature and percent saturation) were taken using a Hydrolab Surveyor 4a (Photo 3-3). Measurements were made immediately downstream of each turbine both prior to and after the vent was opened. It was verified that the crest gates had not operated within the past several hours, therefore no mechanical aeration influence from spilling was present. Hydrolab readings were allowed to stabilize for several minutes before water quality parameters were recorded.

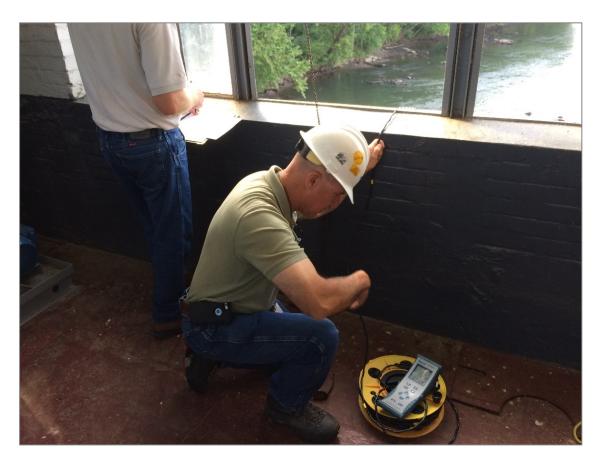


PHOTO 3-3 MEASURING DO LEVELS DURING TESTING

During the 2014 test, several of the turbines were undergoing maintenance, and testing of all units was not possible. In addition, the tailrace dissolved oxygen and total saturation levels were high prior to opening the vents, which likely reduced the effectiveness of venting. Given these limitations, an effectiveness venting test was planned for summer 2015 when additional turbines could be evaluated. Prior to the 2015 testing date, DO levels were monitored via the downstream USGS Gage No. 02160991, Broad River near Jenkinsville, SC to identify a test period with lower DO conditions.

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#### 3.2 METHODS USED FOR FOREBAY DO SAMPLING

Water quality data, including DO and temperature, was collected in the forebay of the Parr Shoals Dam using two HOBO data loggers, with one logger located approximately one foot above the bottom of the reservoir and the other located approximately one foot below the surface of the reservoir. The HOBO data loggers were suspended from the log boom located in the forebay. Data was logged on an hourly basis from May 4, 2015 through October 16, 2015. Hourly data was also collected from the USGS gage at Jenkinsville (02160991), which is located immediately downstream of Parr Shoals Dam near the powerhouse.

#### 4.0 RESULTS

#### 4.1 RESULTS OF TURBINE VENTING

The Parr Shoals powerhouse contains six vertical turbines, five of which have vacuum breakers to facilitate dewatering the draft tube. It was discovered that unit 6, which is nearest the shoreline, does not have a vacuum breaker. During the 2014 test, units 1, 3 and 4 were operable, and the admittance of air was audible when the vacuum breakers were opened. In addition, the tailrace observation clearly indicated the water was being aerated. With the high saturation levels (above 70%), the measured increases in dissolved oxygen were 0.16 and 0.17 mg/L between the initial measurement and the end of the venting test (Appendix A – 2014 report).

During the 2015 test, all turbines were tested except unit 4, which was inoperable due to ongoing maintenance; however, unit 4 had been tested in 2014. Results of the 2015 testing (data included as Appendix B) indicate that unit 3 venting had the most significant increase in dissolved oxygen, followed by units 1, 5 and 2. The increases are shown in Table 4-1.

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TABLE 4-1 DISSOLVED OXYGEN MEASUREMENTS (MG/L)

Unit No.	Vent Closed	Vent Open	Increase in DO
1	4.65	5.04	0.39
2	4.60	4.80	0.20
3	4.70	5.15	0.45
4*	5.66	5.82	0.16
5	4.84	5.20	0.36
6**	5.10	N/A	N/A

<sup>\*</sup>test data from 2014

While the 2014 test indicated a dissolved oxygen increase of 0.16 mg/L induced by venting unit 4, the increase was hindered by the starting saturation level compared to the testing in 2015. It can be assumed that the lower levels in 2015 would have resulted in better uptake, but the exact level of increase is not known. Operating priority for the Turbine Venting Plan was not modified to arbitrarily place unit 4 above other turbines that have a better demonstrated uptake capacity.

#### 4.2 RESULTS OF FOREBAY SAMPLING

Due to the fluctuations of the reservoir, periods of low inflows, and the general location of the HOBO loggers in the forebay of the dam, the loggers were highly susceptible to fouling due to debris, sediment, and algae. It appears that after approximately one week of data collection in the reservoir, the HOBO loggers became severely compromised and no longer collected accurate data. Likewise, as the study season progressed, the accuracy of the HOBO loggers decreased due to overgrowth with algae and other aquatic debris. At each download, which occurred on a monthly basis, HOBO loggers were freed of obvious debris as they were removed from the water, making the accuracy of the logger slightly increase for a short period of time, but then fouling quickly afterwards. For that reason, each week after the monthly download is considered to be the most accurate representation of the DO in the Parr forebay. However, the data was compromised during the collection period and is therefore not considered a completely reliable representation of DO in the Parr forebay. Regardless, the one week period following each

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<sup>\*\*</sup>Unit 6 is not equipped with a vacuum breaker.

download is presented in graphs below (Figure 4-1 through Figure 4-6), along with the corresponding data from the Jenkinsville gage. Data collected during October is not included in this report, as severe flooding occurred in early October resulted in abnormally high flows and irregular DO levels.

Throughout the month of May, DO levels in the forebay, both from the top and bottom of the reservoir, and in the tailrace were consistent with each other, and well above the SCDHEC instantaneous standard of 4.0 mg/L (Figure 4-1 and Figure 4-2) (SCDHEC 2012).

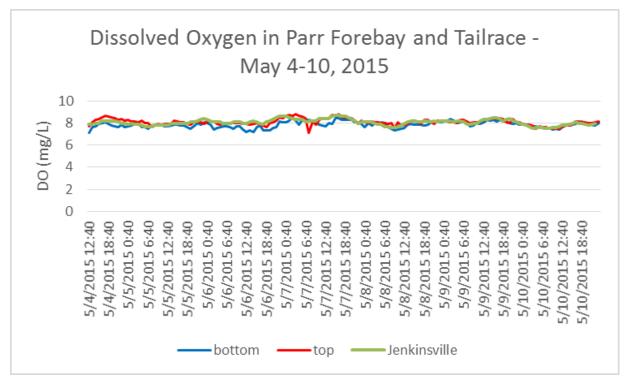


FIGURE 4-1 DISSOLVED OXYGEN IN THE PARR FOREBAY AND TAILRACE - MAY 4-10, 2015

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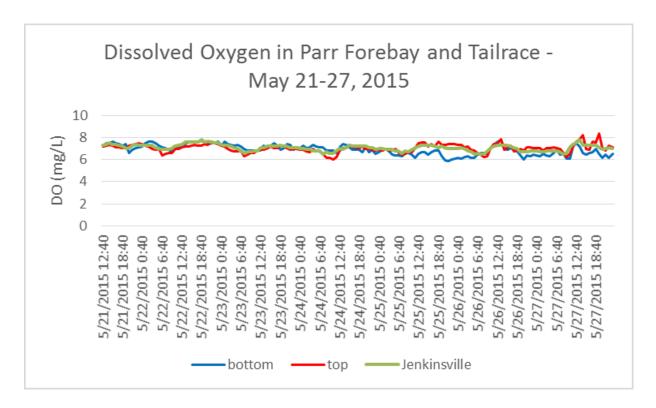


FIGURE 4-2 DISSOLVED OXYGEN IN THE PARR FOREBAY AND TAILRACE – MAY 21-27, 2015

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In late June and early July, DO levels began to drop slightly in the forebay and tailrace (Figure 4-3). While the DO levels followed the same general pattern in the forebay as they did in the tailrace, the logger located near the bottom of the reservoir appeared to be affected by algal growth and debris. DO readings collected by the gage at Jenkinsville remain above the standard of 4.0 mg/L.

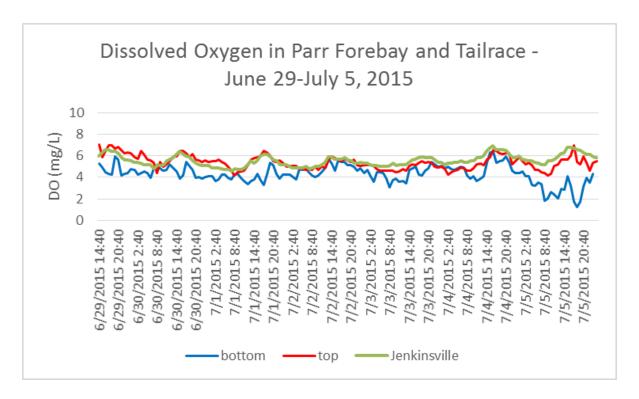


FIGURE 4-3 DISSOLVED OXYGEN IN THE PARR FOREBAY AND TAILRACE – JUNE 29-JULY 5, 2015

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In mid-July, DO levels in the tailrace remained constant near 6.0 mg/L (Figure 4-4). DO readings collected in the forebay ranged from near 6.0 mg/L to 0.0 mg/L. Both loggers appeared to be affected by fouling from algae, sediment and other debris located in the forebay, but loggers began to detect a diel pattern typical of day and night shifts in DO levels associated with reservoirs and production and consumption of DO.

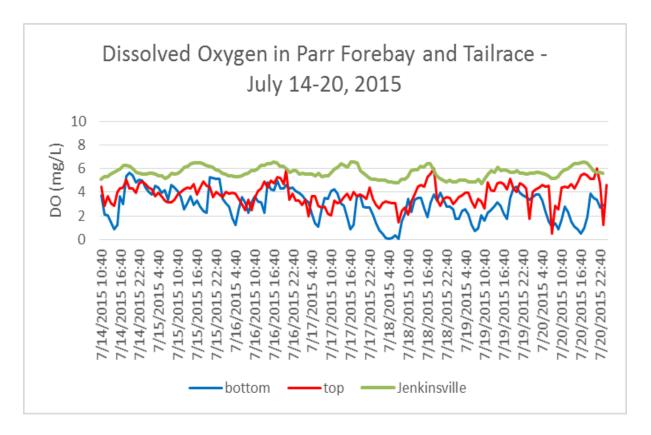


FIGURE 4-4 DISSOLVED OXYGEN IN PARR FOREBAY AND TAILRACE – JULY 14-20, 2015

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In mid-August, DO levels in the tailrace continued to remain constant near 6.0 mg/L (Figure 4-5). DO readings collected in the forebay at the top of the reservoir again sporadically range from near 6.0 mg/L to 0.0 mg/L. It is likely that the top HOBO logger became wrapped with debris, causing the unusually low readings. The DO readings collected in the forebay at the bottom of the reservoir were less sporadic, however, they show a downward deterioration of fouling as time progresses, indicating that the longer the loggers were in the water, the more affected they became by algal growth, sediment, and debris.

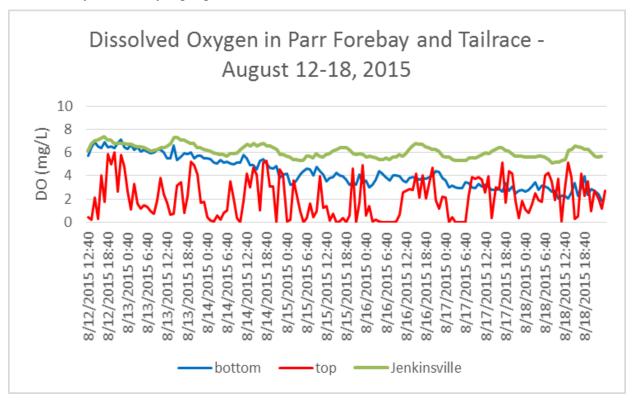


FIGURE 4-5 DISSOLVED OXYGEN IN PARR FOREBAY AND TAILRACE – AUGUST 12-18, 2015

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During mid-September, DO levels in the tailrace rose from approximately 6.0 mg/L up to approximately 8.0 mg/L (Figure 4-6). DO readings collected in the forebay range from near 6.0 mg/L to 2.0 mg/L. The loggers again appear to be affected somewhat by algae, sediment and other debris located in the forebay. River flows during this period increased slightly with reoccurrence of rain events in the fall.

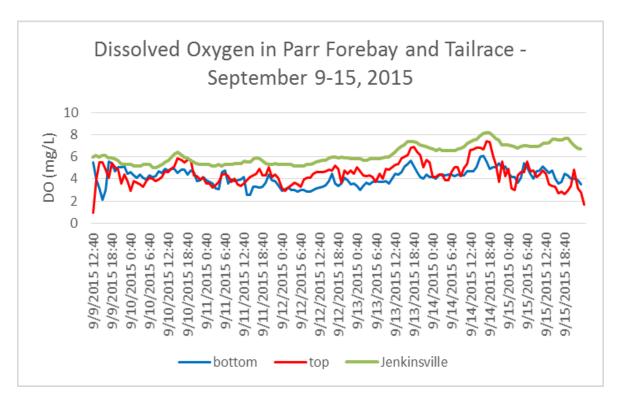


FIGURE 4-6 DISSOLVED OXYGEN IN PARR FOREBAY AND TAILRACE – SEPTEMBER 9-15, 2015

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#### 5.0 TURBINE VENTING PLAN

#### 5.1 OPERATING PROCEDURES

Turbine venting shall occur continuously during a "venting period" for each calendar year, with vents opened as turbines are started up and brought online. During the venting period, the turbines will be operated with vents opened in a first-on / last-off order as follows: 3, 1, 5, 2, 4, and 6. Exceptions to this operating order shall occur due to equipment maintenance that results in unit outages, or emergency conditions.

SCE&G shall follow the venting procedures from June 15 through July 31 of each year. This period captures all of the excursions recorded by the nearby USGS Gage No. 02160991, Broad River near Jenkinsville, SC since the current probe was installed in 2011.

#### 5.2 DOCUMENTATION

SCE&G shall provide documentation to DHEC of dissolved oxygen excursions below the standard within ten days of occurrence. Upon request from a consulting agency, SCE&G shall provide hourly records to agency representatives to demonstrate adherence to the order of turbine operating during a venting period. Documentation of maintenance activities to justify deviation from the turbine operating order will also be provided, should a deviation occur.

#### 6.0 DISCUSSION

During two turbine tests at Parr Hydro, it was demonstrated that five of the six turbines have a demonstrated capacity to self-aerate by opening vacuum breaker valves. Effectiveness of the venting appears to vary between turbines, and the results of testing conducted with dissolved oxygen below 5.0 mg/L were used to prioritize an operating sequence. Observations of downstream data trends were used to determine trigger mechanisms for venting, which was combined with the operating sequence for a venting plan.

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During 2015, there were no DO levels below 4.2 mg/L detected at the USGS tailrace DO gage. After July 31, there was only one DO reading lower than 5.0 mg/l and that was 4.9 mg/l on August 2. Fouling of DO monitor probes in the Parr forebay made it more difficult to see clear trends in the DO levels experienced in the forebay, but they did detect lower DO levels and a diel shift in DO levels starting at the end of June and extending through the end of September.

This report will be used as part of the 401 water quality certification application for the Parr Hydroelectric Project to demonstrate that the Project will meet the state standards as described by SCDHEC under the new FERC license.

#### 7.0 REFERENCES

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#### APPENDIX A

PARR HYDROELECTRIC PROJECT WATER QUALITY BASELINE MEMORANDUM – WATER QUALITY REPORT – SUPPLEMENTAL DISSOLVED OXYGEN DATA

#### Parr Hydroelectric Project – FERC No. 1894 Water Quality Baseline – Memorandum

**To:** Parr/Fairfield Relicensing Water Quality Technical Working Committee (TWC)

**FROM:** Kelly Miller and Henry Mealing – Kleinschmidt Associates

**DATE:** March 2, 2015

**RE:** Water Quality Report – Supplemental Dissolved Oxygen Data

The Parr Hydroelectric Project Baseline Water Quality Report includes analysis of both upstream and downstream water quality associated with the Parr Shoals Development and concluded that project operations could affect water quality downstream of Parr Shoals Dam. At the Water Quality TWC meeting on February 4, 2014, the TWC noted that the Baseline Water Quality Report identified periodic excursions of dissolved oxygen (DO) levels below 4.0 mg/l in the Parr Shoals Dam tailrace, as reported by the USGS station 02160991. In an effort to understand these excursions better, SCE&G contacted USGS and asked if they had any further information on this station. In June of 2011, the USGS installed a new sensor at the station 02160991. From January 2011 through December 2014, there have been approximately 13 hourly excursions in DO below the 4.0 mg/l SCDHEC standard which is approximately 0.04 percent of that period of time. At the request of the Water Quality TWC, SCE&G collected additional water quality data in the tailrace and forebay of Parr Shoals Dam to attempt to determine whether project operations are causing these excursions, and if so, how SCE&G might prevent them from occurring.

#### Tailrace Data - July - September 2014

#### Methods

From July through September of 2014, SCE&G collected temperature and DO data at seven sites along the downstream face of the Parr Shoals Dam, adjacent to the USGS station 02160991, and at a location approximately 400 feet downstream of Parr Shoals Dam. Data was collected on a weekly basis, three times per day including one hour before sunrise, at sunrise, and one hour after sunrise. To see if unit location had an effect on DO, the turbine(s) running during collections and the number of any lowered flashboard was also recorded.

#### Results

SCE&G collected data in the tailrace for two main reasons: (1) to verify the accuracy of the USGS gage station 02160991 and (2) to determine if DO could be correlated to an early morning DO sag or related to which turbine units were running at the time of data collection. During the sampling period, DO levels consistently stayed above 4.0 mg/l. No excursions were recorded by SCE&G or on the USGS gage (Table 1). Data collected by SCE&G at the site of the USGS station 02160991 was consistent with the USGS gage.

TABLE 1 DISSOLVED OXYGEN DATA AT USGS STATION 02160991 AND PARR SHOALS TAILRACE JULY – SEPTEMBER 2014.

	T	SEPTEMBER 2014.	T		
		S Data	SCE&G Data		
Date	Time	DO mg/l	Time	DO mg/l	
7/2/14	5:00 AM	6.2	5:35 AM	6.12	
	6:00 AM	6.0	6:37 AM	5.95	
	7:00 AM	6.0	7:42 AM	5.86	
	8:00 AM	6.0			
7/10/14	5:00 AM	6.0	5:32 AM	6.24	
	6:00 AM	5.9	6:27 AM	6.16	
	7:00 AM	5.7	7:33 AM	6.08	
	8:00 AM	5.5			
7/15/14	5:00 AM	5.5	5:34 AM	5.62	
	6:00 AM	5.4	6:32 AM	5.32	
	7:00 AM	4.9	7:42 AM	4.91	
	8:00 AM	5.0			
7/24/14	5:00 AM	5.2	5:41 AM	5.15	
	6:00 AM	5.2	6:51 AM	5.03	
	7:00 AM	5.1	7:50 AM	5.49	
	8:00 AM	5.3			
7/31/14	5:00 AM	5.8	5:43 AM	5.66	
	6:00 AM	5.7	6:42 AM	5.55	
	7:00 AM	5.7	7:54 AM	5.53	
	8:00 AM	5.7			
8/7/14	5:00 AM	6.0	5:39 AM	5.90	
	6:00 AM	6.0	6:48 AM	5.84	
	7:00 AM	5.9	7:49 AM	5.74	
	8:00 AM	5.9			
8/13/14	5:00 AM	5.9	5:30 AM	5.83	
	6:00 AM	5.9	6:33 AM	5.86	
	7:00 AM	5.9	7:33 AM	5.83	
	8:00 AM	5.9			
8/20/14	5:00 AM	5.8	5:48 AM	5.90	
	6:00 AM	5.8	6:46 AM	5.97	
	7:00 AM	5.7	7:56 AM	5.86	
	8:00 AM	5.7			
8/26/14	5:00 AM	6.3	5:41 AM	6.26	
	6:00 AM	6.4	6:51 AM	6.51	
	7:00 AM	6.4	7:48 AM	6.35	
	8:00 AM	6.3			
9/3/14	5:00 AM	5.7	5:29 AM	6.02	
	6:00 AM	5.8	6:40 AM	5.73	
	7:00 AM	5.4	7:53 AM	5.46	
	8:00 AM	5.4			
9/10/14	6:00 AM	5.6	6:30 AM	5.62	
	7:00 AM	5.7	7:46 AM	5.78	
	8:00 AM	5.7	8:46 AM	5.71	
	9:00 AM	5.7	0.101111	3.,1	
9/16/14	6:00 AM	5.0	6:22 AM	4.94	
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	7:00 AM	5.0	7:24 AM	4.98
	8:00 AM	5.0	8:24 AM	4.92
	9:00 AM	5.0		
9/25/14	6:00 AM	7.3	6:33 AM	7.10
	7:00 AM	7.3	7:34 AM	7.65
	8:00 AM	7.3	8:29 AM	7.62
	9:00 AM	7.3		

Results did not detect a clear correlation between DO readings and the units running at the time of data collection. See Appendix A for a complete list of the data collected during this effort.

#### <u>Forebay Data – October & November 2014</u>

#### Methods

Water quality data, including DO and temperature, were collected in the forebay of the Parr Shoals Dam to determine if low DO water is being released through the turbines, causing the DO in the tailrace to drop. The data was collected using two HOBO data loggers, with one logger located approximately one foot above the bottom of the reservoir and the other located approximately one foot below the surface of the reservoir. Data was logged on an hourly basis from October 16, 2014 through December 3, 2014. We had planned to begin collections earlier but did not receive the data loggers until mid-September.

#### Results

Results showed the expected correlations between DO and temperature and natural diel fluctuations (Figure 1 through Figure 4). DO levels at the bottom of the forebay are consistently slightly lower than those at the top of the forebay, and there was no evidence of stratification in the forebay area of the reservoir. There were no low DO events observed in the tailrace during the monitoring effort.

FIGURE 1 DO AND TEMPERATURE AT BOTTOM OF PARR SHOALS DAM FOREBAY

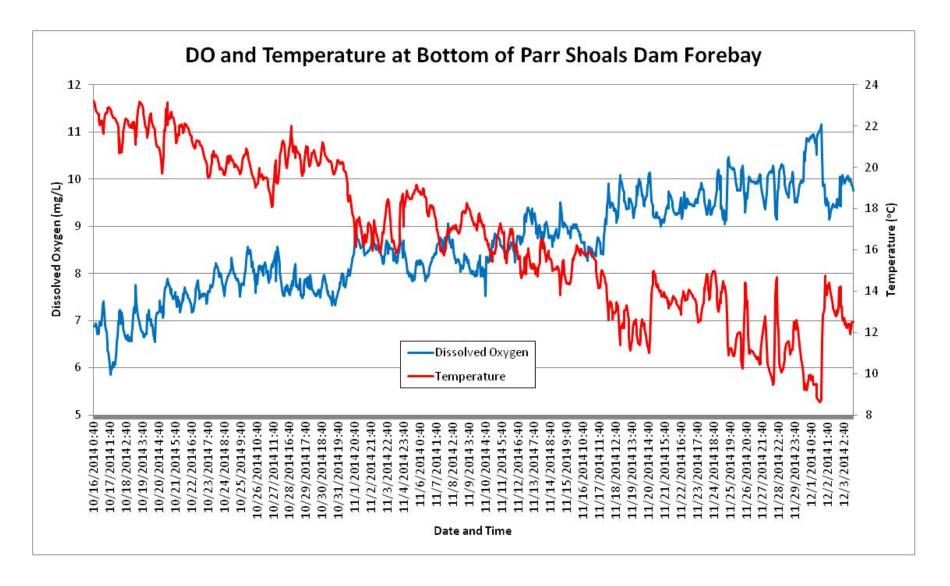


FIGURE 2 DO AND TEMPERATURE AT THE TOP OF PARR SHOALS DAM FOREBAY

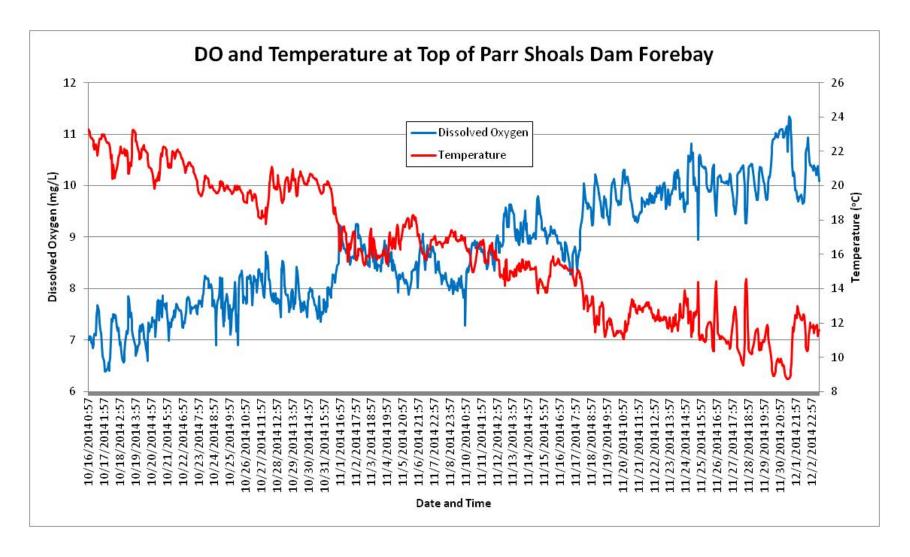


FIGURE 3 PARR SHOALS DAM FOREBAY DISSOLVED OXYGEN

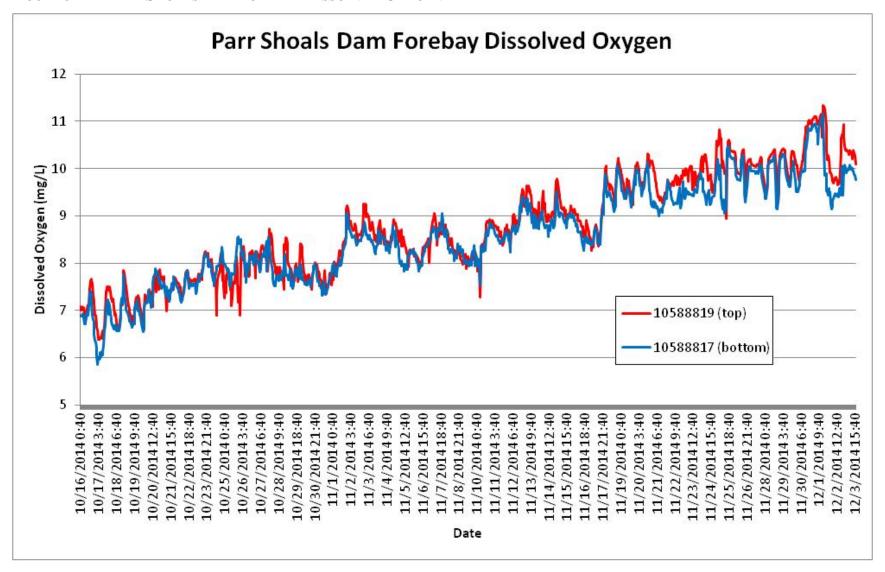
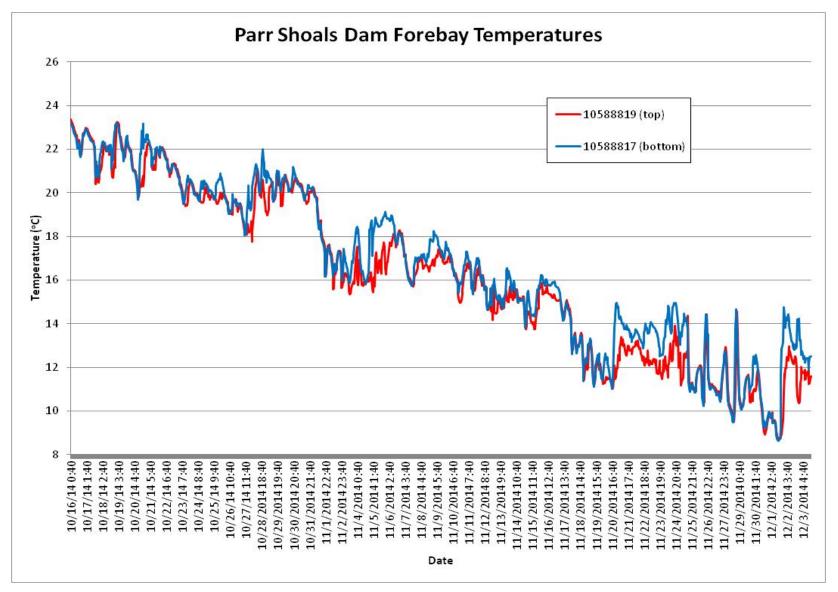


FIGURE 4 PARR SHOALS DAM FOREBAY TEMPERATURES



#### Parr Aeration Investigation – August 2014

Because of the success with turbine self-venting (or self-aerating) at the Saluda Hydro Project, SCE&G performed some initial investigations to determine if turbine aerating at the Parr Shoals Development was feasible for periodically increasing the tailrace DO levels. Bret Hoffman (Kleinschmidt), Amy Bresnahan (SC&EG), Milton Quattlebaum (SCE&G), and Mike Hall (USGS) performed some initial onsite turbine venting tests at the Parr Shoals Development on the morning of August 20, 2014. The results of their investigation are included below.

During each test run, water quality measurements (DO, temperature, and % DO saturation) were recorded with handheld meters (independent of the permanently installed USGS gage station equipment) in the tailrace at the bay 7 location (which is between the six turbine bays and the shore) and along the shoreline adjacent to the USGS gage. These measurements provided a cursory examination of the ability of the Units to aerate by opening the existing vacuum breaker valves located on the turbine head cover. Only Units 1, 3, and 4 were available for operation testing as the other units were out of service for repair, and Unit 4 could not be shut down because of equipment issues. During testing all river flow was passed through the turbine units and the spillway gates were in the closed (raised) position. Test runs for the water quality measurements were conducted in combinations of turbine operations as described below and were partially dictated by the requirement that Unit 4 could not be shut down. The headpond and tailwater elevations were also recorded, as were individual generator kW and kVar outputs.

#### Unit 4 - Test

Initially, tailrace readings were collected with only Unit 4 operating, and the vacuum breaker valve closed. Then, the vacuum breaker valve was fully opened to allow aeration, and audibly drew in air. The effects of the introduced air were clearly visible in the tailrace. The initial tailrace reading collected with the valve closed was 5.66 mg/l, the reading at bay 7 with the valve open was 5.82 mg/l. Upon closing the valve, the DO at bay 7 dropped to 5.78 mg/l, although the aerated water may not have had time to flush out from the tailrace area. The USGS measurements on the shore were 5.58 mg/l prior to opening any turbine vents, and 5.75mg/l with the vent open for 25 minutes. The USGS reading did not drop after the valve was closed, and matched the bay 7 reading of 5.78 mg/l, supporting the theory that residual aerated water remained in the immediate tailrace area. Initial saturation was 71% (valve closed), and with the valve open the saturation increased to 74.9%. Saturation levels reported near the USGS gage were within a tenth of a percent of those recorded at bay 7.

#### Units 1 and 4

Unit 1 was started (valve closed) and allowed to stabilize for 15 minutes. DO readings were collected with Unit 1 valve closed and Unit 4 valve open. The USGS reading increased to 5.84 mg/l, while the bay 7 reading increased from 5.82 mg/l to 5.86 mg/l. The Unit 1 valve was opened and readings were collected after 15 minutes of stabilization. The measurement near the USGS gage was 5.80 mg/l, while the bay 7 reading was 5.88 mg/l. Saturation with Unit 1 (valve

closed) and Unit 4 (valve open) was 73%, which increased to 75.4% with both units' valves open.

#### Units 1, 3, and 4

Unit 3 was started and operated for 15 minutes with no valve open, while the valves for Units 1 and 4 were left open. The measurements from the USGS site and at bay 7 were both 5.80 mg/l, and the saturation at bay 7 was 74.8%. When the valve was opened on Unit 3, the bay 7 reading was 5.76 mg/l and the USGS reading was 5.75 mg/l with a saturation level of 74.3% - with all three units aerating. USGS took an additional measurement at bay 2 (between units 1 and 3) with all units aerating, which ranged from 6.08 mg/l to 6.15 mg/l; at 6.08 mg/l, saturation was 79%.

One final measurement was taken with all units 1, 3 and 4 operating but all three valves closed. The reading near the USGS gage was 5.71 mg/l while the bay 7 reading was 5.73 mg/l, indicating very minimal reduction from aerating. It is likely that the aerated water in the tailrace area did not flush out and resulted in higher readings. The USGS handheld meter was used to resample water quality at bay 2 and the DO dropped to 5.89 mg/l and 75% saturation.

#### Discussion

The three units tested will aerate with their current valve configurations. The inability to shut down unit 4 likely prevented the aerated flows from units 1 and 3 from reaching the shore, as they are located further toward the middle of the river. While the DO readings with various combinations of valves open for all three units was fairly stable, the initial increase from Unit 4 indicates there is an ability to increase dissolved oxygen by aerating. Saturation was between 71% initial reading (prior to any aeration), and 75% after the valve was opened, indicating an increase in saturation. Saturation levels were near 75% for all readings following the initial valve opening.

Saturation was calculated for all the DO excursions (below 4.0 mg/L) during the past three years as recorded by the USGS gage. While the saturation levels during the aeration testing ranged from 71% (without aerating) up to 76%, the levels calculated for the excursions varied between 44.8% and 51.18%. Water temperatures during the testing ranged between 27.5 and 28.1 °C, while temperature during the excursions was measured at 29.3 to 30.1 °C.

The initial increase in DO measured during testing was approximately 0.17 mg/l. This indicates the turbines have some ability to increase DO by aerating, although the saturation percentage and water temperatures were significantly different during the historic DO excursions. A better determination of effectiveness could be made under lower DO and saturation conditions during the summer. Also, testing during a period when all of the turbine units can be manipulated (turned on/off and aerating on/off) would give more precise information on the performance of each unit.

## APPENDIX A TAILRACE DATA

Date: 7/2/14

Samplers: Milton Quattlebaum and Kelly Miller

·		DO	Temp	
Time	Location	(mg/L)	(°C)	Units Running
5:11 AM	Unit 1	5.79	27.30	on
5:16 AM	Unit 2	5.92	27.45	off
5:20 AM	Unit 3	5.90	27.44	on
5:23 AM	Unit 4	6.01	27.69	on
5:26 AM	Unit 5	6.18	27.94	off
5:29 AM	Unit 6	6.14	27.94	off
5:35 AM	At USGS gage	6.12	27.92	
5:41 AM	DWNSTRM Plant	6.09	27.89	
6:16 AM	Unit 1	5.97	27.30	on
6:19 AM	Unit 2	5.89	27.40	off
6:21 AM	Unit 3	5.90	27.48	on
6:23 AM	Unit 4	6.06	27.74	on
6:26 AM	Unit 5	5.99	27.76	off
6:28 AM	Unit 6	5.98	27.79	off
6:33 AM	NPDES 001 sign	6.00	27.62	
6:37 AM	At USGS gage	5.95	27.74	
6:42 AM	DWNSTRM Plant	5.94	27.71	
7:17 AM	Unit 1	5.74	27.25	on
7:22 AM	Unit 2	5.82	27.36	off
7:25 AM	Unit 3	5.84	27.40	on
7:27 AM	Unit 4	6.03	27.64	on
7:30 AM	Unit 5	5.93	27.61	off
7:33 AM	Unit 6	5.89	27.63	off
7:36 AM	NPDES 001 sign	5.93	27.62	
7:42 AM	At USGS gage	5.86	27.56	
7:49 AM	DWNSTRM Plant	5.89	27.57	

			Parr Res.	Parr		
	Jenkinsville		Level	Crest	<b>USGS DO data</b>	USGS Temp data at
Time	02160991		02160990	Gate	at Jenkinsville	Jenkinsville
5:00 AM		221.37	261.52	258.50	6.2	27.8
6:00 AM		221.35	260.89	262.50	6.0	27.6
7:00 AM		221.65	260.44	258.50	6.0	27.5
8:00 AM					6.0	27.4

Date: 7/10/14

Samplers: Milton Quattlebaum and Kelly Miller

	•	DO	Temp	
Time	Location	(mg/L)	(°C)	Units Running
5:04 AM	Unit 1	5.73	27.40	on
5:08 AM	Unit 2	5.75	27.45	off
5:11 AM	Unit 3	5.86	27.48	on
5:15 AM	Unit 4	6.09	27.53	on
5:18 AM	Unit 5	6.28	27.69	off
5:21 AM	Unit 6	6.24	27.66	off
5:24 AM	NPDES 001 sign	6.26	27.67	
5:32 AM	At USGS gage	6.24	27.61	
5:35 AM	DWNSTRM Plant	6.24	27.65	
6:07 AM	Unit 1	5.75	27.44	on
6:10 AM	Unit 2	5.82	27.47	off
6:13 AM	Unit 3	5.89	27.51	on
6:15 AM	Unit 4	6.27	27.64	on
6:18 AM	Unit 5	6.24	27.65	off
6:20 AM	Unit 6	6.20	27.64	off
6:22 AM	NPDES 001 sign	6.19	27.65	
6:27 AM	At USGS gage	6.16	27.63	
6:32 AM	DWNSTRM Plant	6.16	27.59	
7:14 AM	Unit 1	5.87	27.50	on
7:16 AM	Unit 2	5.84	27.51	off
7:19 AM	Unit 3	5.91	27.51	on
7:21 AM	Unit 4	6.19	27.59	on
7:23 AM	Unit 5	6.15	27.60	off
7:25 AM	Unit 6	6.16	27.62	off
7:27 AM	NPDES 001 sign	6.13	27.61	
7:33 AM	At USGS gage	6.08	27.61	
7:40 AM	DWNSTRM Plant	6.15	27.50	
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	Jenkinsville	Parr Res. Level	Parr Crest	USGS DO data at	USGS Temp data at
Time	02160991	02160990	Gate	Jenkinsville	Jenkinsville
5:00 AM	221.36	260.89	266.00	6.0	27.6
6:00 AM	221.35	260.57	266.00	5.9	27.5
7:00 AM	221.93	260.59	258.00	5.7	27.5
8:00 AM				5.5	27.4

Date: 7/15/14

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Samplers: Milton Quattlebaum and Kelly Miller

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Time	Location	(mg/L)	Temp (°C)	Units Running	
5:10 AM	Unit 1	5.30	28.19	on	
5:14 AM	Unit 2	5.29	28.25	off	
5:17 AM	Unit 3	5.30	28.29	on	
5:19 AM	Unit 4	5.70	28.42	on	
5:22 AM	Unit 5	5.63	28.45	off	
5:25 AM	Unit 6	5.54	28.48	off	
5:28 AM	NPDES 001 sign	5.64	28.41		
5:34 AM	At USGS gage	5.62	28.34		
5:39 AM	DWNSTRM Plant	5.57	28.41		
6:13 AM	Unit 1	4.77	28.18	on	
6:15 AM	Unit 2	4.81	28.21	off	
6:18 AM	Unit 3	4.92	28.22	on	
6:20 AM	Unit 4	5.19	28.25	on	
6:22 AM	Unit 5	5.40	28.16	off	
6:25 AM	Unit 6	5.35	28.24	off	
6:27 AM	NPDES 001 sign	5.31	28.34		
6:32 AM	At USGS gage	5.32	28.30		
6:36 AM	DWNSTRM Plant	5.33	28.29		
7:22 AM	Unit 1	4.98	28.18	on	
7:25 AM	Unit 2	4.94	28.15	off	
7:27 AM	Unit 3	4.94	28.11	on	
7:30 AM	Unit 4	5.00	28.12	on	
7:32 AM	Unit 5	5.18	28.18	off	
7:35 AM	Unit 6	5.02	28.19	off	
7:37 AM	NPDES 001 sign	5.03	28.16		
7:42 AM	At USGS gage	4.91	28.08		
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5:00 AM	221.34	258.63	266, except 5&6 at 264	5.5	28.3
6:00 AM	221.34	258.40	266, except 5&6 at 264	5.4	28.2
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Date: 7/24/14

Samplers: Milton Quattlebaum and Kelly Miller

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Time	Location	(mg/L)	Temp (°C)		Units Running
5:10 AM	Unit 1	5.23		27.34	off
5:15 AM	Unit 2	5.26		27.32	off
5:17 AM	Unit 3	5.21		27.30	off
5:21 AM	Unit 4	5.43		27.35	on
5:24 AM	Unit 5	5.15		27.32	off
5:29 AM	Unit 6	4.81		27.21	off
5:35 AM	NPDES 001 sign	5.11		27.29	
5:41 AM	At USGS gage	5.15		27.28	
5:46 AM	DWNSTRM Plant	4.70		27.19	
6:27 AM	Unit 1	5.27		27.29	off
6:33 AM	Unit 2	5.26		27.23	off
6:35 AM	Unit 3	5.28		27.28	off
6:38 AM	Unit 4	5.19		27.30	on
6:41 AM	Unit 5	5.09		27.29	off
6:43 AM	Unit 6	4.97		27.27	off
6:46 AM	NPDES 001 sign	5.05		27.21	
6:51 AM	At USGS gage	5.03		27.27	
6:56 AM	DWNSTRM Plant	4.72		27.09	
7:22 AM	Unit 1	5.18		27.24	off
7:32 AM	Unit 2	5.68		27.24	off
7:33 AM	Unit 3	5.68		27.27	off
7:37 AM	Unit 4	5.83		27.26	on
7:40 AM	Unit 5	5.49		27.25	off
7:42 AM	Unit 6	5.43		27.11	off
7:45 AM	NPDES 001 sign	5.50		27.21	
7:50 AM	At USGS gage	5.49		26.68	
7:55 AM	DWNSTRM Plant	5.47		27.06	
8:00 AM	Unit 1	5.63		27.25	off

	Jenkinsville	Parr Res. Level		USGS DO data at	USGS Temp data
Time	02160991	02160990	Parr Crest Gate	Jenkinsville	at Jenkinsville
5:00 AM	220.47	260.11	Gates 1, 2, 3, 4: 264	5.2	27.2
6:00 AM	220.47	259.41	Gates 5, 6, 7, 8: 266	5.2	27.2
7:00 AM	220.46	258.97		5.1	27.1
8:00 AM				5.3	27.1

Date: 7/31/14

Samplers: Milton Quattlebaum

•		DO			
Time	Location	(mg/L)	Temp (°C)	Units Running	
5:18 AM	Unit 1	5.72	27.49	on	
5:21 AM	Unit 2	5.73	27.52	off	
5:24 AM	Unit 3	5.73	27.50	off	
5:27 AM	Unit 4	5.78	27.51	on	
5:30 AM	Unit 5	5.65	27.49	off	
5:33 AM	Unit 6	5.60	27.48	off	
5:37 AM	NPDES 001 sign	5.67	27.46		
5:43 AM	At USGS gage	5.66	27.32		
5:50 AM	DWNSTRM Plant	5.54	27.39		
6:22 AM	Unit 1	5.71	27.42	on	
6:25 AM	Unit 2	5.71	27.47	off	
6:28 AM	Unit 3	5.73	27.48	off	
6:31 AM	Unit 4	5.81	27.46	on	
6:33 AM	Unit 5	5.61	27.42	off	
6:36 AM	Unit 6	5.59	27.41	off	
6:38 AM	NPDES 001 sign	5.64	27.43		
6:42 AM	At USGS gage	5.55	27.32		
6:47 AM	DWNSTRM Plant	5.61	27.22		
7:32 AM	Unit 1	5.64	27.41	on	
7:36 AM	Unit 2	5.69	27.37	off	
7:39 AM	Unit 3	5.69	27.42	off	
7:41 AM	Unit 4	5.73	27.41	on	
7:44 AM	Unit 5	5.63	27.39	off	
7:46 AM	Unit 6	5.66	27.38	off	
7:49 AM	NPDES 001 sign	5.68	27.38		
7:54 AM	At USGS gage	5.53	27.36		
7:59 AM	DWNSTRM Plant	5.61	27.32		
8:07 AM	Unit 1	5.60	27.49	on	
				*no gates	
				spilling	
		Parr Res.			USGS Temp
	Jenkinsville	Level		USGS DO data	data at
Time	02160991	02160990	Parr Crest Gate	at Jenkinsville	Jenkinsville
5:00 AM	220.97	260.44	Gates 1, 2, 5, 6, 9, 10: 266	5.8	27.4
6:00 AM	220.99	259.66	Gates 3, 4:264	5.7	27.3
7:00 AM	220.95	259.00	Gates 7, 8: 263	5.7	27.3
8:00 AM				5.7	27.3

Date: 8/7/14

8:00 AM

Samplers: Milton Quattlebaum

-		DO			
Time	Location	(mg/L)	Temp (°C)	Units Running	
5:14 AM	Unit 1	5.90	27.37	off	
5:14 AM	Unit 2	5.92	27.30	off	
5:20 AM	Unit 3	6.02	27.32	on	
5:23 AM	Unit 4	5.99	27.29	on	
5:26 AM	Unit 5	5.92	27.34	off	
5:29 AM	Unit 6	5.92	27.33	off	
5:33 AM	NPDES 001 sign	5.88	27.30		
5:39 AM	At USGS gage	5.90	27.30		
5:48 AM	DWNSTRM Plant	5.80	27.18		
6:25 AM	Unit 1	5.94	27.33	off	
6:29 AM	Unit 2	5.94	27.33	off	
6:31 AM	Unit 3	6.02	27.34	on	
6:34 AM	Unit 4	5.95	27.32	on	
6:36 AM	Unit 5	5.90	27.32	off	
6:39 AM	Unit 6	5.86	27.28	off	
6:42 AM	NPDES 001 sign	5.90	27.30		
6:48 AM	At USGS gage	5.84	27.27		
6:58 AM	DWNSTRM Plant	5.68	27.13		
7:27 AM	Unit 1	5.82	27.34	off	
7:30 AM	Unit 2	5.92	27.29	off	
7:33 AM	Unit 3	5.97	27.36	on	
7:36 AM	Unit 4	5.95	27.32	on	
7:39 AM	Unit 5	5.90	27.27	off	
7:42 AM	Unit 6	5.85	27.26	off	
7:45 AM	NPDES 001 sign	5.90	27.28		
7:49 AM	At USGS gage	5.74	27.21		
7:56 AM	DWNSTRM Plant	5.73	27.15		
8:03 AM	Unit 1	5.83	27.27	off	
				*no gates spillin	ıg
		Parr Res.			USGS Temp
	Jenkinsville	Level		USGS DO data	data at
Time	02160991	02160990	Parr Crest Gate	at Jenkinsville	Jenkinsville
5:00 AM	220.76	258.89	Gates 1, 2, 9, 10:266	6.0	27.2
6:00 AM	220.75	258.17	Gates 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8: 264	6.0	27.2
7:00 AM	220.72	258.02		5.9	27.2

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Date: 8/13/14

Samplers: Milton Quattlebaum and Kelly Miller

		DO				
Time	Location	(mg/L)	Temp (°C)		Units Running	
5:09 AM	Unit 1	5.87		26.18	on	
5:13 AM	Unit 2	5.85		26.24	off	
5:15 AM	Unit 3	5.89		26.26	on	
5:18 AM	Unit 4	5.93		26.26	on	
5:20 AM	Unit 5	5.80		26.28	off	
5:23 AM	Unit 6	5.81		26.27	off	
5:25 AM	NPDES 001 sign	5.82		26.27		
5:30 AM	At USGS gage	5.83		26.24		
5:35 AM	DWNSTRM Plant	5.85		26.23		
6:13 AM	Unit 1	5.85		26.20	on	
6:16 AM	Unit 2	5.87		26.19	off	
6:18 AM	Unit 3	5.85		26.21	on	
6:20 AM	Unit 4	5.93		26.19	on	
6:23 AM	Unit 5	5.83		26.18	off	
6:25 AM	Unit 6	5.81		26.18	off	
6:28 AM	NPDES 001 sign	5.83		26.18		
6:33 AM	At USGS gage	5.86		26.15		
6:38 AM	DWNSTRM Plant	5.87		26.14		
7:17 AM	Unit 1	5.86		26.14	on	
7:19 AM	Unit 2	5.86		26.15	off	
7:21 AM	Unit 3	5.88		26.15	on	
7:23 AM	Unit 4	5.94		26.12	on	
7:25 AM	Unit 5	5.86		26.10	off	
7:27 AM	Unit 6	5.88		26.09	off	
7:29 AM	NPDES 001 sign	5.89		26.08		
7:33 AM	At USGS gage	5.83		26.07		
7:37 AM	DWNSTRM Plant	5.90		26.06		
7:41 AM	Unit 1	5.90		26.12	on	
					*no gates spillin	g
		Parr Res.				USGS Ter
	Jenkinsville	Level			USGS DO data	data at
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		Parr Res.			USGS Temp
	Jenkinsville	Level		<b>USGS DO data</b>	data at
Time	02160991	02160990	Parr Crest Gate	at Jenkinsville	Jenkinsville
5:00 AM	221.33	259.89	1, 2, 9, 10: 266	5.9	26.1
6:00 AM	221.33	259.5	3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8: 261	5.9	26.0
7:00 AM	221.07	259.57		5.9	26.0
8:00 AM				5.9	26.0

Date: 8/20/14

Samplers: Milton Quattlebaum

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Time	Location	DO (mg/L)	Temp (°C)		Units Running
5:24 AM	Unit 1	5.53		27.54	on
5:27 AM	Unit 2	5.88		27.68	off
5:30 AM	Unit 3	5.91		27.65	off
5:33 AM	Unit 4	5.99		27.67	on
5:36 AM	Unit 5	5.92		27.68	off
5:39 AM	Unit 6	5.91		27.64	off
5:42 AM	NPDES 001 sign	5.91		27.64	
5:48 AM	At USGS gage	5.90		27.47	
5:53 AM	DWNSTRM Plant	5.90		27.55	
6:26 AM	Unit 1	5.63		27.70	on
6:29 AM	Unit 2	5.87		27.68	off
6:31 AM	Unit 3	5.86		27.67	off
6:33 AM	Unit 4	5.91		27.66	on
6:35 AM	Unit 5	5.87		27.63	off
6:38 AM	Unit 6	5.86		27.60	off
6:41 AM	NPDES 001 sign	5.93		27.65	
6:46 AM	At USGS gage	5.97		27.21	
6:50 AM	DWNSTRM Plant	5.86		27.48	
7:32 AM	Unit 1	5.67		27.64	on
7:34 AM	Unit 2	5.96		27.57	off
7:38 AM	Unit 3	5.92		27.66	off
7:41 AM	Unit 4	6.02		27.65	on
7:43 AM	Unit 5	5.97		27.64	off
7:45 AM	Unit 6	5.87		27.53	off
7:48 AM	NPDES 001 sign	5.93		27.61	
7:56 AM	At USGS gage	5.86		27.47	
8:00 AM	DWNSTRM Plant	5.83		27.50	
8:09 AM	Unit 1	5.73		27.61	on
					*no gates spilling

		Parr Res.			USGS Temp
	Jenkinsville	Level		<b>USGS DO data</b>	data at
Time	02160991	02160990	Parr Crest Gate	at Jenkinsville	Jenkinsville
5:00 AM	220.97	258.50	1, 2, 9, 10: 265	5.8	27.6
6:00 AM	220.96	258.37	3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8: 266	5.8	27.6
7:00 AM	220.94	258.42		5.7	27.5
8:00 AM				5.7	27.5

Date: 8/26/14

8:00 AM

Samplers: Milton Quattlebaum

		DO			
Time	Location	(mg/L)	Temp (°C)	Units Running	
5:17 AM	Unit 1	7.05	28.08	off	
5:20 AM	Unit 2	7.02	28.08	off	
5:23 AM	Unit 3	7.09	28.07	on	
5:26 AM	Unit 4	6.41	28.08	on	
5:28 AM	Unit 5	6.29	28.06	off	
5:31 AM	Unit 6	6.25	28.03	off	
5:34 AM	NPDES 001 sign	6.30	28.04		
5:41 AM	At USGS gage	6.29	27.90		
5:46 AM	DWNSTRM Plant	6.20	27.95		
6:26 AM	Unit 1	7.00	28.02	off	
6:29 AM	Unit 2	7.06	28.00	off	
6:32 AM	Unit 3	7.03	27.98	on	
6:35 AM	Unit 4	6.64	27.90	on	
6:38 AM	Unit 5	6.43	27.86	off	
6:41 AM	Unit 6	6.41	27.82	off	
6:45 AM	NPDES 001 sign	6.50	27.87		
6:51 AM	At USGS gage	6.51	27.82		
6:56 AM	DWNSTRM Plant	6.36	27.61		
7:30 AM	Unit 1	6.74	27.81	off	
7:32 AM	Unit 2	6.81	27.79	off	
7:34 AM	Unit 3	6.80	27.84	on	
7:36 AM	Unit 4	6.68	27.71	on	
7:38 AM	Unit 5	6.45	27.74	off	
7:42 AM	Unit 6	6.47	27.66	off	
7:44 AM	NPDES 001 sign	6.50	27.74		
7:48 AM	At USGS gage	6.35	27.71		
7:53 AM	DWNSTRM Plant	6.29	27.60		
8:01 AM	Unit 1	6.67	27.79	off	
				*no gates spilling	
		Parr Res.			USGS Temp
	Jenkinsville	Level		USGS DO data	data at
Time	02160991	02160990	Parr Crest Gate	at Jenkinsville	Jenkinsville
5:00 AM	221.10	261.50	1, 2, 9, 10: 266	6.3	27.9
6:00 AM	221.10	261.33	3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8: 265	6.4	27.8
7:00 AM	221.08	261.01		6.4	27.6

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Date: 9/03/14

Samplers: Milton Quattlebaum and Kelly Miller

·		DO				
Time	Location	(mg/L)	Temp (°C)		Units Running	
5:01 AM	Unit 1	5.88		28.45	on	
5:04 AM	Unit 2	5.74		28.41	off	
5:10 AM	Unit 3	5.61		28.40	on	
5:14 AM	Unit 4	5.75		28.42	on	
5:17 AM	Unit 5	5.67		28.49	off	
5:19 AM	Unit 6	5.63		28.48	off	
5:24 AM	NPDES 001 sign	5.82		28.35		
5:29 AM	At USGS gage	6.02		28.86		
5:35 AM	DWNSTRM Plant	6.11		28.43		
6:19 AM	Unit 1	5.56		28.41	on	
6:21 AM	Unit 2	5.58		28.41	off	
6:25 AM	Unit 3	5.53		28.42	on	
6:27 AM	Unit 4	5.62		28.44	on	
6:30 AM	Unit 5	5.73		28.46	off	
6:33 AM	Unit 6	5.69		28.47	off	
6:35 AM	NPDES 001 sign	5.71		28.46		
6:40 AM	At USGS gage	5.73		28.46		
6:45 AM	DWNSTRM Plant	5.69		28.13		
7:31 AM	Unit 1	5.57		28.61	on	
7:36 AM	Unit 2	5.62		28.60	off	
7:39 AM	Unit 3	5.63		28.59	on	
7:41 AM	Unit 4	5.61		28.57	on	
7:44 AM	Unit 5	5.63		28.54	off	
7:47 AM	Unit 6	5.56		28.54	off	
7:49 AM	NPDES 001 sign	5.53		28.55		
7:53 AM	At USGS gage	5.46		28.51		
7:59 AM	DWNSTRM Plant	5.56		28.30		
8:05 AM	Unit 1	5.55		28.51	on	
					*no gates spilli	ng
		Parr Res.				US

		Parr Res.			<b>USGS Temp</b>
	Jenkinsville	Level		<b>USGS DO data</b>	data at
Time	02160991	02160990	Parr Crest Gate	at Jenkinsville	Jenkinsville
5:00 AM	221.43	259.43	all @ 266	5.7	28.4
6:00 AM	221.38	259.1		5.8	28.4
7:00 AM	221.38	258.74		5.4	28.4
8:00 AM				5.4	28.4

Date: 9/10/14

Samplers: Milton Quattlebaum

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Time	Location	(mg/L)	Temp (°C)	Units Running	
6:02 AM	Unit 1	5.90	27.12	on	
6:04 AM	Unit 2	5.82	27.11	off	
6:07 AM	Unit 3	5.71	27.09	off	
6:10 AM	Unit 4	5.77	27.09	on	
6:13 AM	Unit 5	5.62	27.08	off	
6:17 AM	Unit 6	5.61	27.04	off	
6:20 AM	NPDES 001 sign	5.65	27.01		
6:30 AM	At USGS gage	5.62	27.04		
6:35 AM	DWNSTRM Plant	5.64	26.98		
7:22 AM	Unit 1	5.82	26.95	on	
7:26 AM	Unit 2	5.76	26.94	off	
7:29 AM	Unit 3	5.83	26.92	off	
7:32 AM	Unit 4	5.81	26.92	on	
7:35 AM	Unit 5	5.66	26.93	off	
7:38 AM	Unit 6	5.74	26.67	off	
7:41 AM	NPDES 001 sign	5.69	26.90		
7:46 AM	At USGS gage	5.78	26.64		
7:50 AM	DWNSTRM Plant	5.72	26.72		
8:27 AM	Unit 1	5.78	26.81	on	
8:30 AM	Unit 2	5.80	26.87	off	
8:33 AM	Unit 3	5.79	26.85	off	
8:36 AM	Unit 4	5.85	26.85	on	
8:38 AM	Unit 5	5.80	26.86	off	
8:40 AM	Unit 6	5.76	26.83	off	
8:42 AM	NPDES 001 sign	5.78	26.84		
8:46 AM	At USGS gage	5.71	26.75		
8:50 AM	DWNSTRM Plant	5.80	26.80		
9:00 AM	Unit 1	5.65	26.82	on	
				*no gates spillin	ıg
		Parr Res.			USGS Temp
	Jenkinsville	Level		USGS DO data	data at
Time	02160991	02160990	Parr Crest Gate	at Jenkinsville	Jenkinsville
6:00 AM	221.07	259.38	all @ 266	5.6	26.9
7:00 AM	221.05	259.44		5.7	26.8
8:00 AM	221.06	259.43		5.7	26.8

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### APPENDIX B

9:00 AM

Date: 9/16/14

8:00 AM

9:00 AM

Samplers: Milton Quattlebaum

Samplers. I	viiitori Quattiebauiri	DO			
Time	Location	(mg/L)	Temp (°C)	Units Running	
6:01 AM		5.13	26.99	off	
6:04 AM	Unit 2	5.37	26.73	off	
6:07 AM	Unit 3	5.36	27.06	off	
6:09 AM	Unit 4	5.25	27.06	on	
6:12 AM	Unit 5	4.95	27.01	off	
6:15 AM	Unit 6	4.97	26.96	off	
6:18 AM	NPDES 001 sign	4.95	26.84		
6:22 AM	At USGS gage	4.94	26.81		
6:26 AM	DWNSTRM Plant	4.87	26.77		
7:03 AM	Unit 1	5.16	26.99	off	
7:05 AM	Unit 2	5.20	26.96	off	
7:08 AM	Unit 3	5.34	26.98	off	
7:11 AM	Unit 4	5.10	26.99	on	
7:13 AM	Unit 5	5.00	26.92	off	
7:16 AM	Unit 6	4.97	26.93	off	
7:19 AM	NPDES 001 sign	4.81	26.85		
7:24 AM	At USGS gage	4.98	26.80		
7:30 AM	DWNSTRM Plant	4.95	26.83		
8:02 AM	Unit 1	5.18	26.91	off	
8:05 AM	Unit 2	5.15	26.92	off	
8:08 AM	Unit 3	5.30	26.88	off	
8:11 AM	Unit 4	5.24	26.93	on	
8:13 AM	Unit 5	4.99	26.93	off	
8:15 AM	Unit 6	4.96	26.91	off	
8:18 AM	NPDES 001 sign	5.04	26.80		
8:24 AM	At USGS gage	4.92	26.87		
8:28 AM	DWNSTRM Plant	5.12	26.67		
8:39 AM	Unit 1	5.26	26.89		
		Parr Res.			USGS Temp
T:	Jenkinsville	Level	Dawn Coast Call	USGS DO data	data at
Time	02160991	02160990	Parr Crest Gate	at Jenkinsville	Jenkinsville
6:00 AM	220.54	259.57	, , , -	5.0	26.9
7:00 AM	220.54	259.73	3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8@262	5.0	26.8

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Date: 9/25/14

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Samplers: Milton Quattlebaum

Time	Landing	DO (m = /1)	Toman (0C)	Llaita Dunnina	
Time	Location	DO (mg/L)	Temp (°C)	Units Running	
6:09	Unit 1	7.80	21.40	off	
6:11	Unit 2	7.76	21.42	off	
6:15	Unit 3	7.81	21.44	on	
6:17	Unit 4	7.85	20.90	on	
6:21	Unit 5	7.70	21.39	off	
6:24	Unit 6	7.65	21.42	off	
6:27	NPDES 001 sign	7.66	21.43		
6:33	At USGS gage	7.10	21.40		
6:40	DWNSTRM Plant	7.61	21.36		
7:17	Unit 1	7.69	21.68	off	
7:19	Unit 2	7.71	21.67	off	
7:21	Unit 3	7.80	21.67	on	
7:23	Unit 4	7.70	21.61	on	
7:25	Unit 5	7.58	21.57	off	
7:27	Unit 6	7.62	21.62	off	
7:29	NPDES 001 sign	7.60	21.62		
7:34	At USGS gage	7.65	21.61		
7:39	DWNSTRM Plant	7.31	21.59		
8:13	Unit 1	7.67	21.75	off	
8:15	Unit 2	7.65	21.72	off	
8:17	Unit 3	7.71	21.75	on	
8:19	Unit 4	7.66	21.62	on	
8:21	Unit 5	7.65	21.51	off	
8:23	Unit 6	7.58	21.59	off	
8:25	NPDES 001 sign	7.63	21.60		
8:29	At USGS gage	7.62	21.42		
8:34	DWNSTRM Plant	7.59	21.47		
8:39	Unit 1	7.68	21.65	off	
				*no gates spillir	ng
		Parr Res.			
	Jenkinsville	Level		<b>USGS DO data</b>	USGS Temp data
Time	02160991	02160990	Parr Crest Gate	at Jenkinsville	at Jenkinsville
6:00 AM	221.06	259.18	all @ 266	7.3	21.5
7:00 AM	221.05	259.2		7.3	21.5
8:00 AM	221.05	259.24		7.3	21.5

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# APPENDIX B 2015 TURBINE VENTING TEST RESULTS

### Parr Aeration Investigation – July 2015

SCE&G initially performed turbine venting testing at the Parr Shoals Development during 2014. Based on the initial success of that testing for periodically increasing dissolved oxygen (DO) levels in the tailrace, SCE&G performed additional turbine venting testing on July 9, 2015. The results of this testing will be used to develop a Turbine Venting Plan for the Parr Shoals Development and submitted as part of the 401 Water Quality Certification application process for the Parr Hydroelectric Project.

During each test run, water quality measurements (DO, temperature, and % DO saturation) were recorded with handheld meters in the tailrace outflow of each unit being tested. Units 1, 2, 3, 5 and 6 were available for testing. Unit 4 was under repair and could not be tested. Unit 6 does not have a vacuum breaker installed on the headcover and cannot be vented, but was tested to determine its aerating capability. During testing all river flow was passed through the turbine units and the crest gates were in the closed (raised) position. The headpond and tailwater elevations were also recorded, as were individual generator kW and kVar outputs (Table 1).

At the beginning of each turbine test, tailrace readings were collected with the unit running and the vacuum breaker closed. After approximately 5 to 10 minutes, the vacuum breaker valve was fully opened to allow aeration. The effects of the introduced air were clearly visible in the tailrace for each unit tested. The unit was allowed to run for another 5 to 10 minutes until tailrace readings stabilized before data was recorded. Each unit was tested in sequence using this same scenario. Unit 6 data was collected to see the DO levels that occurred on that unit with no venting available. Surprisingly, Unit 6 DO levels were fairly high without venting which may be an artifact of its location near the shoreline. Unit 6 may pull water from closer to the surface than the other units located further away from the shoreline.

#### Discussion

Each of the units 1, 2, 3, and 5 tested will aerate with their current valve configurations and each increased DO levels at a different amounts. Testing showed that the units vent from highest to lowest as follows: 3, 1, 5, 2, 4, and 6. SCE&G will use this information to develop a Turbine Venting Plan for the Parr Shoals Development that will be submitted to South Carolina Department of Health and Environmental Control for discussion and approval.

Table B-1. Summary of Turbine Venting at Parr Shoals Dam July 9, 2015.

Unit	Vent	DO	DO	Saturation	Saturation	Temp	Gate	Output	KVars
Tested	Open/Close	(mg/L)	Increase	%	Increase	(F)	Setting	(KW)	
			(mg/L)		%		%		
1	Close	4.65		59.8		82.9	45	1473	150
1	Open	5.04	0.39	64.3	4.5	83.0	45	1426	145
2	Close	4.60		58.8		82.9	43	1520	144
2	Open	4.80	0.20	61.2	2.4	82.9	43	1475	144
3	Close	4.70		60.0		82.9	45	1370	153
3	Open	5.15	0.45	65.2	5.2	82.9	45	1300	142
5	Close	4.84		62.4		82.9	45	1560	154
5	Open	5.20	0.36	65.6	3.2	82.9	45	1476	150
6	No Vent	5.10		65.2		83.0	39	1426	145

Unit 4 was not available for testing

Unit 6 does not have a vent

Headwater elevation remained stable between 258.1 – 257.9 msl during the test

Tailwater Elevation remained stable between 221.0 – 220.8 msl during the test

### APPENDIX B

PARR HYDROELECTRIC PROJECT – FERC No. 1894 – PARR SHOALS DAM TURBINE VENTING – 2016 TURBINE VENTING TEST RESULTS – MEMORANDUM – AUGUST 15, 2016

## PARR HYDROELECTRIC PROJECT – FERC No. 1894 PARR SHOALS DAM TURBINE VENTING – MEMORANDUM

To: Water Quality Technical Working Committee

**FROM:** Kleinschmidt Associates

**DATE:** August 15, 2016

**RE:** 2016 Turbine Venting Test Results

### **INTRODUCTION**

Following the completion of the Parr Hydroelectric Project Baseline Water Quality Report, there were questions from the Water Quality TWC regarding occasional low dissolved oxygen (DO) in the tailrace downstream of Parr Shoals Dam. At a Water Quality TWC meeting on February 4, 2014, the TWC noted that the Baseline Water Quality Report identified periodic excursions of DO levels less than 4.0 mg/L in the Parr Shoals Dam tailrace, as reported by the USGS station 02160991. In an effort to understand these excursions better, SCE&G consolidated historic USGS data to examine these excursions and issued an addendum to the Baseline Water Quality Report in June 2014. At the request of the Water Quality TWC, SCE&G collected additional water quality data in the summer of 2014 in the tailrace and forebay of Parr Shoals Dam in an attempt to determine whether project operations are causing these excursions. These results were summarized in a memo issued on March 2, 2015. SCE&G followed up this effort by collecting another series of water quality data in the Parr forebay from May through mid-October 2015. The results of this data collection effort was summarized in the Parr Shoals Dam Turbine Venting Report.

In addition, SCE&G proposed to test all of the Parr turbines for their ability to self-vent and potentially increase the dissolved oxygen in the tailrace during specific periods of the year. An initial test of the turbines' capacity to vent was performed August 2014; a second test to determine which turbines had the most significant impact on increasing dissolved oxygen was performed in July 2015. The results of the testing, along with the findings published in the Baseline Water Quality Report, were used to develop a Turbine Venting Plan. At the March 2016 Water Quality TWC meeting, SCE&G proposed to test the Turbine Venting Plan during June 15<sup>th</sup> through July 31<sup>st</sup> of 2016. In addition to testing the plan during 2016, SCE&G also conducted a re-test of Unit 4 after installation of the new "air-cooled wooden bearings". The results of each of these tests are presented in this document.

### METHODOLOGY AND RESULTS

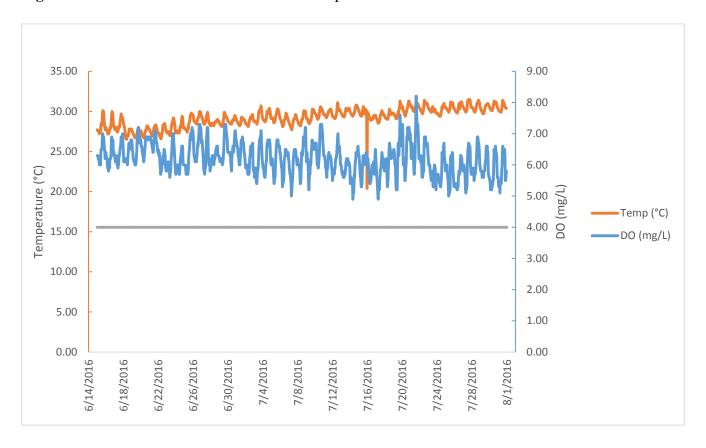
SCE&G implemented the proposed Turbine Venting Plan from June 15 through July 31, 2016. The success of turbine venting was measured at the USGS Gage No. 02160991, Broad River near Jenkinsville, SC.

Dissolved oxygen and temperatures observed in the tailrace are illustrated in Figure 1. No excursions of DO levels less than 4.0 mg/L were observed (Table 1).

 Table 1
 Parr Shoals Tailrace Maximum and Minimum DO and Temperature

		June	July			
	DO	Temperature	DO	Temperature		
	(mg/L)	(°C)	(mg/L)	(°C)		
Maximum	7.30	30.10	8.20	31.50		
Minimum	5.60	26.50	4.90	20.40		

Figure 1 Parr Shoals Tailrace DO and Temperature



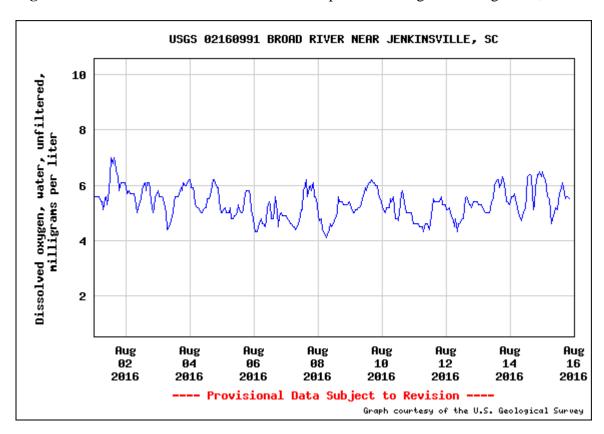
Turbine venting test of Unit 4 are presented in Table 2. The testing noted a DO uptake of approximately 0.20 mg/l. The testing performed during 2014 identified an uptake of 0.16, which is slightly less than the latest testing results.

 Table 2
 Parr Shoals Turbine Venting Unit 4 Test – August 2016

Test #	Time (DST)	Breaker Position Open/Closed	DO (mg/l)	Temp (°C)	TDG	% Sat	HP EI	TW EI	KW	Kvars Act.	Gates Act. (%)	ВР
1	9:00	closed	5.08	29.42	713	67.2	257.22	220.70	1360±	150	45	759
2	9:40	open	5.3	29.48	718	70.2	257.53	220.72	1360±	151	46	759
Notes:												
Requested plant/system control to have all gates up and a max. of 2 units generating by 07:00 (DST).												
Units 4 & 6 were operating and all gates up upon arrival at the plant. Unit 6 was shutdown at 08:20 (DST).												
Breaker valve on Unit 4 was opened at approx. 09:20 (DST).												

Also of note was the general decline in DO levels recorded at the Jenkinsville gage during the first 2 weeks of August, 2016 (Figure 2). We are not sure if this is related to drops associated with the cessation of turbine venting or environmental factors.

Figure 2 Parr Shoals Tailrace DO and Temperature – August 1 – August 16, 2016



### **CONCLUSION**

Based on the results of the 2016 Turbine Venting Plan test, turbine venting at the Parr Shoals Development was successful. Testing of Unit 4 during 2016 showed a slight increase in DO uptake. We also noted a decrease in DO levels during August.

Based on these findings, SCE&G proposes to perform turbine venting tests during 2017 and to extend the venting season to include June 15 through August 31. SCE&G will use the results of the 2016 and 2017 testing and the individual Unit test to update and modify the current Turbine Venting Plan. SCE&G plans to include the updated Turbine Venting Plan as one of the proposed protection, mitigation, and enhancement measures to be included in the Final License Application for continued operation of the Parr Hydroelectric Project (FERC No. 1894).