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## 1.0 EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

### 1.1 INTRODUCTION

This report is submitted in accordance with Section 5.4.1 of Appendix B: To Facility Operating License No. NPF-73, Beaver Valley Power Station Unit 2, Environmental Protection Plan (Non-Radiological). Beaver Valley Power Station (BVPS) is operated by FirstEnergy Nuclear Operating Company (FENOC). The Objectives of the Environmental Protection Plan (EPP) are:

- Verify that the facility is operated in an environmentally acceptable manner, as established by the Final Environmental Statement-Operating License Stage (FES-OL) and other NRC environmental impact assessments.
- Coordinate NRC requirements and maintain consistency with other Federal, State, and local requirements for environmental protection.
- Keep NRC informed of the environmental effects of facility construction and operation and of actions taken to control those effects.

To achieve the objectives of the EPP, FENOC and BVPS have written programs and procedures to comply with the EPP, protect the environment, and comply with governmental requirements primarily including the US Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and the Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection (PA DEP) requirements. Water quality matters identified in the Final Environmental Statements-Operating License Stage (FES-OL) are regulated under the National Pollutants Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) Permit No. PA0025615. Waste is regulated under EPA Identification No. PAR000040485. Attachment 10.1 contains a listing of permits and certificates for environmental compliance.

The BVPS programs and procedures include pre-work and pre-project environmental evaluations, operating procedures, pollution prevention and response programs procedures and plans, process improvement and corrective action programs, and human performance programs. Technical and managerial monitoring of tasks, operations, and other activities are performed. Any identified challenges, concerns, or questions are captured in the FENOC Problem Identification and Resolution Program with a Condition Report. Condition Reports include investigations, cause determinations, and corrective actions.

During 2009 BVPS continued an Aquatic Monitoring Program to evaluate its potential impact on the New Cumberland Pool of the Ohio River, and to provide information on potential impacts to BVPS operation from macrofoulers such as Asian clams and zebra mussels.

## 1.2 SUMMARY AND CONCLUSIONS

There were no significant environmental events during 2009. During 2009, no significant changes to operations that could affect the environment were made at Beaver Valley Power Station. *As in previous years, results of the BVPS environmental programs did not indicate any adverse environmental impacts from station operation.*

## 1.3 ANALYSIS OF SIGNIFICANT ENVIRONMENTAL CHANGE

During 2009, no significant changes were made at BVPS to cause significant negative affect on the environment.

## 1.4 AQUATIC MONITORING PROGRAM

The 2009 Beaver Valley Power Station (BVPS) Units 1 and 2 Non-Radiological Monitoring Program consisted of an Aquatic Program that included surveillance and field sampling of the Ohio River's aquatic life in the vicinity of the station. The Aquatic Program is an annual program conducted to provide baseline aquatic resources data, to assess the impact of the operation of BVPS on the aquatic ecosystem of the Ohio River, and to monitor for potential impacts of biofouling organisms (*Corbicula* and zebra mussels) on BVPS operations. This is the 34<sup>th</sup> year of operational environmental monitoring for Unit 1 and the 23<sup>rd</sup> year for Unit 2. As in previous years, the results of the program did not indicate any adverse environmental impact to the aquatic life in the Ohio River associated with the operation of BVPS.

The results of the 2009 benthic macroinvertebrate survey conducted in May and September indicated a normal community structure exists in the Ohio River both upstream and downstream of the BVPS. These benthic surveys are a continuation of a Fate and Effects Study conducted from 1990 through 1992 for the Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection (PADEP) to assess the ecosystem impacts of the molluscicides Betz Clamtrol CT-1, CT-2, and Powerline 3627 that are used to control biofouling organisms at BVPS. To date the results of the benthic studies have not indicated any impacts of operation at the BVPS including the use these biocides on the benthic community below the BVPS discharge.

Substrate was probably the most important factor influencing the distribution and abundance of the benthic macroinvertebrates in the Ohio River near BVPS. The generally soft muck-type substrate along the shoreline found in 2009 and previous years was conducive to segmented worm (oligochaete) and midge (chironomid) proliferation. Fifty-four (54) macroinvertebrate taxa were identified during the 2009 monitoring program. One new taxon, *Oxus* sp. (a water mite) was added to the cumulative taxa list of macroinvertebrates collected near BVPS. No state or Federal threatened or endangered macroinvertebrate species were collected during 2009. In both May and September, oligochaetes were the most frequently collected group of macroinvertebrate. *There were no major differences in the community structure between control and non-control stations that could be attributed to operation of BVPS. The overall community structure has changed little since pre-operational years, and program results did not indicate that BVPS operations were affecting the benthic community of the Ohio River.*



The fish community of the Ohio River near the BVPS was sampled in May (spring), July (summer), September/October (fall) and November (winter) of 2009 with nighttime electrofishing and daytime seining. Since monitoring began in the early 1970's, the number of identified fish taxa has increased from 43 to 78 for the New Cumberland Pool.

Benthivores (bottom feeders including suckers and buffalo) and forage species (e.g. gizzard shad and emerald shiners) were generally collected in the highest numbers in 2009. The total number of forage species collected in 2009 was less than in 2008, however. Variations in annual catch were probably attributable to normal fluctuations in the population size of the forage species and the predator populations that rely on them. Forage species, such as gizzard shad and emerald shiner with high reproductive potentials, frequently respond to changes in natural environmental factors (competition, food availability, cover, and water quality) with large fluctuations in population size. This, in turn, influences their appearance in the sample populations during annual surveys. Spawning/rearing success due to abiotic factors is usually the determining factor of the size and composition of a fish community.

In 2009 the annual catch rate was 1.27 fish per minute. The greatest catch rate in 2009 occurred in winter (November) when the catch rate was 1.45 fish per minute. Sauger, and shorthead redhorse sucker, contributed to the majority of this total. The lowest catch rate occurred in summer (July) with a rate of 0.98 fish per electrofishing minute. The annual catch rates were consistent over the four years ranging from a high of 1.98 fish per minute in 2008 to 1.17 in 2007.

Little difference in the species composition of the catch was observed between the control (Station 1) and non-control (Stations 2A, 2B and 3) stations. Habitat preference and availability were probably the most important factors affecting where and when fish were collected. ***Results from the 2009 fish surveys indicated that a normal community structure for the Ohio River exists near BVPS based on species composition and relative abundance. In 2009, there was no indication of negative impact to the fish community in the Ohio River from the operation of BVPS.***

The monthly reservoir ponar samples collected in Units 1 and 2 cooling towers and the four samples collected at the intake during 2009 indicated that *Corbicula* were entering and colonizing the station. ***Overall, the numbers of Corbicula collected in the samples were comparatively low, which continued the trend over the past few years of fewer *Corbicula* and reflected a water-body-wide trend observed in the Ohio River.***

In 1995, live zebra mussels were collected for the first time by divers in the BVPS main intake and auxiliary intake structures during scheduled cleanings. Overall, both the number of observations and densities of settled mussels were similar in 2003-present although somewhat higher in 2008. The density of veligers in 2009 was somewhat lower than in 2008, but was comparable to 2007. ***Although densities of settled mussels in the vicinity of BVPS are low compared to other populations such as in the Lower Great Lakes, densities comparable to those in the Ohio River are sufficient to cause problems in the operation of untreated cooling water intake systems.***

## **2.0 ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION PLAN NON-COMPLIANCES**

There were no Environmental Protection Plan non-compliances identified in 2009.

## **3.0 CHANGES INVOLVING UNREVIEWED ENVIRONMENTAL QUESTIONS**

No Unreviewed Environmental Questions were identified in 2009. Therefore, there were no changes involving an Unreviewed Environmental Question.

## **4.0 NON-ROUTINE ENVIRONMENTAL REPORT**

There were no non-routine environmental reports in 2009.

## 5.0 AQUATIC MONITORING PROGRAM

This section of the report summarizes the Non-Radiological Environmental Program conducted for the BVPS Units 1 and 2; Operating License Numbers DPR-66 and NPF-73. This is a non-mandatory program, because on February 26, 1980, the Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) granted BVPS's request to delete all of the Aquatic Monitoring Program, with the exception of the fish impingement program (Amendment No. 25), from the Environmental Technical Specifications (ETS). In 1983, BVPS was permitted to also delete the fish impingement studies from the ETS program of required sampling along with non-radiological water quality requirements. However, in the interest of providing an uninterrupted database, BVPS has continued the Aquatic Monitoring Program.

The objectives of the 2009 environmental program were:

- To monitor for any possible environmental impact of BVPS operation on the benthic macroinvertebrate and fish communities in the Ohio River;
- To provide a low level sampling program to continue an uninterrupted environmental database for the Ohio River near BVPS, pre-operational to present; and
- To evaluate the presence, growth, and reproduction of macrofouling *Corbicula* (Asiatic clam) and zebra mussels (*Dreissena* spp.) at BVPS.

### 5.1 SITE DESCRIPTION

BVPS is located on an approximately 453-acre tract of land on the south bank of the Ohio River in the Borough of Shippingport, Beaver County, Pennsylvania. The Shippingport Atomic Power Station once shared the site with BVPS before being decommissioned. Figure 5.1 is a plan view of BVPS. The site is approximately 1 mile (1.6 km) from Midland, Pennsylvania; 5 miles (8 km) from East Liverpool, Ohio; and 25 miles (40 km) from Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. The population within a 5-mile (8 km) radius of the plant is approximately 18,000. The Borough of Midland, Pennsylvania has a population of approximately 3,500.

The station is situated at Ohio River Mile 34.8 (Latitude: 40° 36' 18"; Longitude: 80° 26' 02") at a location on the New Cumberland Pool that is 3.1 river miles (5.3 km) downstream from Montgomery Lock and Dam and 19.6 miles (31.2 km) upstream from New Cumberland Lock and Dam. The Pennsylvania-Ohio-West Virginia border is 5.2 river miles (8.4 km) downstream from the site. The river flow is regulated by a series of dams and reservoirs on the Beaver, Allegheny, Monongahela, and Ohio Rivers and their tributaries.

The study site lies along the Ohio River in a valley, which has a gradual slope that extends from the river at an elevation of 665 ft (203 m) above mean sea level; to an elevation of 1,160 ft (354 m) along a ridge south of BVPS. The plant entrance elevation at the station is approximately 735 ft (224 m) above mean sea level.

BVPS Units 1 and 2 have a thermal rating of 2,900 megawatts (MW). The circulating water systems for each unit are considered a closed cycle system with continuous overflow, using a cooling tower to minimize heat released to the Ohio River. Commercial operation of BVPS Unit 1 began in 1976 and Unit 2 began operation in 1987.

## 5.2 STUDY AREA

The environmental study area was established to assess potential impacts and consists of four sampling stations, each having a north and south shore (Figure 5.1). Station 1 is located at River Mile (RM) 34.5, approximately 0.3 miles (0.5 km) upstream of BVPS and is the control station. Station 2A is located approximately 0.5 miles (0.8 km) downstream of the BVPS discharge structure in the main channel. Station 2B is located in the back channel of Phillis Island, also 0.5 miles downstream of the BVPS discharge structure. Station 2B is the principal non-control station because the majority of discharges from BVPS Units 1 and 2 are released to this back channel. Station 3 is located approximately two miles (3.2 km) downstream of BVPS and only rarely is influenced by the BVPS discharge.

## 5.3 METHODS

Shaw Environmental, Inc. (Shaw) was contracted to perform the 2009 Aquatic Monitoring Program as specified in BVBP-ENV-001-Aquatic Monitoring (procedural guide). This procedural guide references and describes in detail the field and laboratory procedures used in the various monitoring programs, as well as the data analysis and reporting requirements. These procedures are summarized according to task in the following subsections. Sampling was conducted according to the schedule presented in Table 5.1.

### 5.3.1 Benthic Macroinvertebrate Monitoring

The benthic macroinvertebrate monitoring program consisted of river bottom sampling using a Ponar grab sampler at four stations on the Ohio River. Prior to 1996, duplicate sampling occurred at Stations 1, 2A, and 3, while triplicate sampling occurred at Station 2B (i.e., one sample at each shoreline and mid-channel) (Figures 5.1 and 5.2). In 1996, a review of the sampling design indicated that sampling should be performed in triplicate at each station to conform to standardized U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (USEPA) procedures. Therefore, starting in 1996, triplicate samples were taken at Stations 1, 2A, and 3, as in 1995, with triplicate samples also collected at each shore and mid-channel location at Station 2B. A petite Ponar dredge was used to collect these samples, replacing the standard Ponar dredge used in prior studies.

Benthic macroinvertebrate sampling was conducted in May and September 2009. For each 2009 field effort, 18 benthic samples were collected and processed in the laboratory. All field

procedures and data analyses were conducted in accordance with the procedural guide. The contents of each Ponar grab sample were gently washed through a U.S. Standard No. 30 sieve and the retained contents were placed in a labeled bottle and preserved in ethanol. In the laboratory, rose bengal stain was added to aid in sorting and identifying the benthic organisms. Macroinvertebrates were sorted from each sample, identified to the lowest taxon practical and counted. Mean density (number/m<sup>2</sup>) for each taxon was calculated for each replicate. Four indices used to describe the benthic community were calculated: Shannon-Weiner diversity index, evenness (Pielou, 1969), species richness, and the number of taxa. These estimates provide an indication of the relative quality of the macroinvertebrate community.

### 5.3.2 Fish Monitoring

Fish sampling was conducted in 2009 to provide a continuous baseline of data and to detect possible changes that may have occurred in the fish populations in the Ohio River near BVPS. Fish population surveys have been conducted in the Ohio River near BVPS annually from 1970 through 2009. These surveys have resulted in the collection of 73 fish species and five different hybrids.

Adult fish surveys were scheduled to be performed in May, July, September, and November 2009. During each survey, fish were scheduled to be sampled by standardized electrofishing techniques at four stations (Stations 1, 2A, 2B and 3) (Figure 5.3). Seining was scheduled to be performed at Station 1 (north shore) and Station 2B (south shore of Phillis Island) to sample species that are generally under-represented in electrofishing catches (e.g., young-of-the-year fish and small cyprinids). Sampling was successfully completed as schedule except in September. Seining was completed as scheduled, but a breakdown of the electrofishing boat motor precluded sampling. Immediately after the boat motor was serviced in early October, the field crew returned to site and the electrofishing task was successfully completed.

Night electrofishing was conducted using a boat-mounted electroshocker with floodlights attached to the bow. A Smith-Root Type VI A variable voltage, pulsed-DC electrofishing unit powered by a 5-kW generator was used. The voltage selected depended on water conductivity and was adjusted to provide constant amperage (4-6 amps) of the current through the water. The north and south shoreline areas at each station were shocked for at least 10 minutes of unit "on" time (approximately five minutes along each shore) during each survey.

When large schools of fish of a single non-game species such as gizzard shad and shiners were encountered during electrofishing efforts, all of the stunned fish were not netted and retrieved onboard the boat. A few fish were netted for verification of identity, and the number of observed stunned fish remaining in the water was estimated. The size range of the individual fish in the school was also estimated and recorded. This was done in an effort to expedite sample processing and cover a larger area during the timed electrofishing run. Regardless of the number of individuals, all game fish were boated when observed.

Fish seining was performed at Station 1 (control) and Station 2B (non-control) during each of the four 2009 BVPS fishery surveys. A 30-ft long bag seine made of 1/4-inch nylon mesh netting was used to collect fish located close to shore in 1 to 4 ft of water. Three seine hauls were performed at both Station 1 (north shore) and Station 2B (south shore of Phillis Island) during each survey.

Fish collected during electrofishing and seining efforts were processed according to standardized procedures. All captured game fishes were identified to species, counted, measured for total length (nearest 1 mm), and weighed (nearest 1 g for fish less than or equal to 1000 g and the nearest 5 g for all other fish). Non-game fishes were counted, and a random subsample of lengths was taken. Live fish were returned to the river immediately after processing was completed. All fish that were unidentifiable or of questionable identification and were obviously not on the endangered or threatened species list were placed in plastic sample bottles, preserved, labeled and returned to the laboratory for identification. Any species of fish that had not previously been collected at BVPS was retained for the voucher collection. Any threatened or endangered species (if collected) would be photographed and released.

### 5.3.3 Corbicula Density Determinations for Cooling Tower Reservoirs

The *Corbicula* Monitoring Program at BVPS includes sampling the circulating river water and the service water systems of the BVPS (intake structure and cooling towers). This report describes this Monitoring Program and the results of the field and plant surveys conducted in 2009.

The objectives of the ongoing Monitoring Program are to evaluate the presence of *Corbicula* at BVPS, and to evaluate the potential for and timing of infestation of the BVPS. This program is conducted in conjunction with a program to monitor for the presence of macrofouling zebra mussels (see Section 5.3.5).

*Corbicula* enter the BVPS from the Ohio River by passing through the water intakes, and eventually settle in low flow areas including the lower reservoirs of the Units 1 and 2 cooling towers. The density and growth of these *Corbicula* were monitored by collecting monthly samples from the lower reservoir sidewalls and sediments. The sampler used on the sidewalls consisted of a D-frame net attached behind a 24-inch long metal scraping edge. This device was connected to a pole long enough to allow the sampler to extend down into the reservoir area from the outside wall of the cooling tower. Sediments were sampled with a petite Ponar dredge.

Cooling tower reservoir sampling was historically conducted once per month. Beginning in December 1997, it was decided to forego sampling in cold water months since buildup of *Corbicula* does not occur then. Monthly sampling has been maintained throughout the warmer water months of the year. In 2009 sampling began in March and ended in early November.

In 2009, once each month (March through November), a single petite Ponar grab sample was

taken in the reservoir of each cooling tower to obtain density and growth information on *Corbicula* present in the bottom sediment. The samples collected from each cooling tower were returned to the laboratory and processed. Samples were individually washed, and any *Corbicula* removed and rinsed through a series of stacked U.S. Standard sieves that ranged in mesh size from 1.00 mm to 9.49 mm. Live and dead clams retained in each sieve were counted and the numbers were recorded. The size distribution data obtained using the sieves reflected clam width, rather than length. Samples containing a small number of *Corbicula* were not sieved; individuals were measured and placed in their respective size categories. A scraping sample of about 12 square feet was also collected at each cooling tower during each monthly sampling effort. This sample was processed in a manner consistent with the petit Ponar samples.

Population surveys of both BVPS cooling tower reservoirs have been conducted during scheduled outages (1986 to present) to estimate the number of *Corbicula* present in these structures. During the scheduled shutdown period for each unit, each cooling tower reservoir bottom is sampled by petite Ponar at standardized locations within the reservoir. Counts of live and dead clams and determination of density were made. There were no scheduled outages during 2009 when samples were collected.

#### 5.3.4 *Corbicula* Juvenile Monitoring

The *Corbicula* juvenile study was designed to collect data on *Corbicula* spawning activities and growth of individuals entering the intake from the Ohio River. From 1988 through 1998, clam cages were deployed in the intake forebay to monitor for *Corbicula* that entered the BVPS.

Observational-based concerns that the clam cages would quickly clog with sediment during high sediment periods and, as a result, would not effectively sample for *Corbicula*, led to an evaluation of an alternate sampling technique. From April through June 1997, a study was conducted to compare the results of the clam cage samplers to a petite Ponar dredge technique to determine *Corbicula* presence and density in the BVPS intake bays. It was hypothesized that using a Ponar sampler to collect bottom sediments and analysis of those sediments would provide a more representative sample of *Corbicula* settlement and growth rates, and had the added benefit of not requiring confined space entry to conduct the sampling. Results of the study confirmed this hypothesis.

During the 1998 sampling season, at the request of BVPS personnel, all clam cages were removed after the May 18<sup>th</sup> collection. Monthly petite Ponar grabs from the forebay in the intake building continued thereafter. Samples were processed in the same manner as Cooling Tower Samples (Section 5.3.3).

From 2002 to present, because of site access restrictions, sampling with the petite Ponar has been moved to the Ohio River directly in front of the Intake Structure Building. Collections are presently made in conjunction with the fisheries sampling (May, July, September, and November). During each sampling month two Ponar grabs are taken approximately 20 feet off

shore of the intake building. These grab samples are processed in the same manner as when they were collected from within the Intake Structure Building.

#### 5.3.5 Zebra Mussel Monitoring

The Zebra Mussel Monitoring Program includes sampling the Ohio River and the circulating river water system of the BVPS.

The objectives of the Monitoring Program were:

- (1) To identify if zebra mussels were in the Ohio River adjacent to BVPS and provide early warning to operations personnel as to their possible infestation;
- (2) To provide data as to when the larvae were mobile in the Ohio River and insights as to their vulnerability to potential treatments; and
- (3) To provide data on their overall density and growth rates under different water temperatures and provide estimates on the time it requires these mussels to reach the size and density that could impact the plant.

The zebra mussel sampling for settled adults was historically conducted once per month, yearlong. Beginning in December 1997, it was decided to forego sampling in the colder water months of each year, since buildup of zebra mussels, does not occur then. Monthly sampling has been maintained throughout the balance of the year. In 2009 sampling occurred from March through November.

A pump sample for zebra mussel veligers was collected at the barge slip location monthly from April through October in 1996 and 1997. The scope of the sampling was expanded in 1998 to also include the intake structure. In June 1998, the Emergency Outfall and Emergency Outfall Impact Basin locations were also added. Additional pump samples were collected from the cooling towers of Unit 1 and Unit 2 in October 1998. In 2009 veliger sampling began in April and was conducted monthly through October.

At the Intake Structure and Barge Slip the following surveillance techniques were used:

- Wall scraper sample collections on a monthly basis (March through November) from the barge slip and the riprap near the intake structure to detect attached adults; and
- Pump sample collections from the barge slip and outside the intake structure, to detect the planktonic early life forms (April through October).

At each of the cooling towers the following techniques were used:

- Monthly reservoir scraper sample collections in each cooling tower (March through November); and



- Pump samples in April through October to detect planktonic life forms.

At the Emergency Outfall and the Splash Pool the following techniques were used:

- Monthly scraper sample collections in each (March through November); and
- Pump samples in each from April through October to detect planktonic life forms.

#### 5.3.6 Reports

Each month, activity reports that summarized the activities that took place the previous month were prepared and submitted. These reports included the results of the monthly *Corbicula*/zebra mussel monitoring including any trends observed and any preliminary results available from the benthic and fisheries programs. The reports addressed progress made on each task, and reported any observed biological activity of interest.

### 5.4 RESULTS OF THE AQUATIC MONITORING PROGRAM

The following sections summarize the findings for each of the program elements. Sampling dates for each of the program elements are presented in Table 5.1.

#### 5.4.1 Benthic Macroinvertebrate Monitoring Program

Benthic surveys were scheduled and performed in May and in September 2009. Benthic samples were collected using a petite Ponar grab sampler at Stations 1, 2A, 2B, and 3 (Figure 5.2). Triplicate samples were taken off the south shore at Stations 1, 2A, and 3. Sampling at Station 2B, in the back channel of Phillis Island, consisted of triplicate petite Ponar grabs at the south side, middle, and north side of the channel (i.e., Sample Stations 2B1, 2B2, and 2B3, respectively).

Substrate type is an important factor in determining the composition of the benthic community. The habitats in the vicinity of BVPS are the result of damming, channelization, and river traffic. Shoreline habitats at the majority of sampling locations were generally in depositional areas that consisted of soft muck substrates composed of mixes of sand, silt, and detritus. One exception was along the north shoreline of Phillis Island at Station 2A where hard pan clay dominated. The other distinct habitat, hard substrate (gravel and cobble), was located in mid-channel of the back channel of Phillis Island. The hard substrate was probably the result of channelization and scouring by river currents. In general, the substrates found at each sampling location have been

consistent from year to year.

Fifty-four (54) macroinvertebrate taxa were identified during the 2009 monitoring program (Tables 5.2 and 5.3), which was eight more than in 2008. A mean density of 796 macroinvertebrates/m<sup>2</sup> was collected in May and 1,436/m<sup>2</sup> in September (Table 5.4). As in previous years, the macroinvertebrate assemblage during 2009 was dominated by burrowing organisms typical of soft unconsolidated substrates. Oligochaetes (segmented worms), mollusks (clams and snails) and chironomid (midge fly) larvae were abundant (Table 5.4). As in 2007 and 2008, the total mean density of organism was higher in September than in May.

Thirty-eight (38) taxa were present in the May 2009 samples. The same number of taxa (38) was present in the September samples (Table 5.3.1 and 5.3.2). Twenty-two (22) of the 54 taxa were present in both May and September. As in 2008, immature tubificid worms were numerically the most abundant organism in both May and September.

The Asiatic clam (*Corbicula*) has been observed in the Ohio River near BVPS from 1974 to present. Zebra mussels were first collected in the BVPS benthic samples in 1998. Adult zebra mussels, however, were detected in 1995 and 1996 by divers in the BVPS main and auxiliary intake structures during scheduled cleaning operations. Zebra mussel veligers, adults and juveniles were collected during the 1997-2009 sampling programs (see Sections 5.4.5 Zebra Mussel Monitoring Program). Both live *Corbicula* and zebra mussels were collected in benthic macroinvertebrate samples in 2009.

In 2009 a new taxa was added to the cumulative taxa list of macroinvertebrates collected near BVPS (Table 5.2). The new taxon was *Oxus* sp., a type of water mite. No state or Federal threatened or endangered macroinvertebrate species were collected during 2009.

In the May 2009 samples, oligochaetes accounted for the highest mean density of macroinvertebrates and chironomids had the second highest (420/m<sup>2</sup> or 53 percent of the total density and 311/m<sup>2</sup> or 39 percent, respectively) (Table 5.4). Mollusks had a mean density of only 48/m<sup>2</sup>. Organisms other than oligochaetes, chironomids and mollusks were present at a density of 217/m<sup>2</sup> in May.

In September 2009 samples, oligochaetes accounted for the highest mean density of macroinvertebrates and chironomids had the second highest (951/m<sup>2</sup> or 66 percent of the total density and 320/m<sup>2</sup> or 22 percent, respectively) (Table 5.4). Mollusks had the third highest mean density in September 2009 (115/m<sup>2</sup> or 8 percent) while the "others" category had the fourth highest mean density (50/m<sup>2</sup> or 3 percent).

In May 2009, the highest density of macroinvertebrates (3,182/m<sup>2</sup>) occurred at Station 2B3. In September, the highest density of macroinvertebrates also occurred at Station 2B3 (2583/m<sup>2</sup>). In May the lowest mean density of organisms occurred at Station 1 (72/m<sup>2</sup>). In September, the lowest mean density of organisms occurred at Station 2A (788/m<sup>2</sup>).

For a comparison of the control to non-control stations, Station 1 was designated the control station, because it is always out of the influence of the BVPS discharge and Station 2B (mean density of Station 2B1, 2B2, and 2B3) was designated as the non-control station, since it is the station most regularly subjected to BVPS's discharge. Stations 3 and 2A may be under the influence of the plume under certain conditions, but it is unlikely that they are regularly influenced by BVPS.

The mean density of macroinvertebrates in the non-control station was 20 times higher ( $1,462/\text{m}^2$ ) than that of the control station ( $71/\text{m}^2$ ) in May (Table 5.5). The high density of oligochaetes and chironomids in the non-control samples ( $1,348/\text{m}^2$ ) accounted for the majority of this difference. A similar difference in density occurred in 2008. Overall the differences probably reflect the natural differences in substrate and natural heterogeneous distributions of these organisms between the stations rather than project-related impacts.

In September, the density of macroinvertebrates present at the non-control ( $1,902/\text{m}^2$ ) was about 2.1 times greater than at the control station ( $903/\text{m}^2$ ). The density of all classifications were greater in the non-control stations than the control station. Differences were within the expected range of variation for natural populations of macroinvertebrates.

Indices that describe the relative diversity, evenness, and richness of the macroinvertebrate population structure among stations and between control and non-control sites were calculated. A higher Shannon-Weiner diversity index indicates a relatively better structured assemblage of organisms, while a lower index generally indicates a low quality or stressed community. Evenness is an index that estimates the relative contribution of each taxon to the community assemblage, the closer to 1.00, the healthier the community. The community richness is another estimate of the quality of the macroinvertebrate community with a higher richness number indicating a healthier community.

The Shannon-Weiner diversity indices in May 2009 collections ranged from 0.41 at Station 1 to 1.06 at Station 2B3 (Table 5.6). In May evenness ranged from 0.73 at Station 2B3 to 0.93 at Station 2B1. Richness was greatest at Station 2B3 (5.00) and lowest at Station 1 (1.24). The overall low indices at Stations 1 and 2A are attributed to the relatively few species collected; three at Station 1 and four at Station 2A. These low numbers of organisms likely are due to natural variation in the Ohio River rather than due to BVPS operations. The range in diversity of the macroinvertebrate community in September 2009 was comparable to that in May. There was an increase in the number of taxa present at each sampling site in September compared to May.

Relatively high numbers of taxa are frequently present in early fall due to the increased numbers of aquatic stages of insects, especially chironomids, as well as the ability to identify to lower taxonomic levels many of the tubificids that are lumped together when immature. Diversity ranged from 0.45 at Station 2B3 to 1.09 at Station 2A. Evenness was also somewhat less in September compared to May and ranged from 0.38 at Station 2B3 to 0.84 at Station 1. Richness was greatest at Station 2B1 (3.97) and lowest at Station 3 (2.48).

In May 2009, the number of taxa, diversity, and richness indices were appreciably lower in the control station (Station 1) than in the non-control stations (2B1, 2B2, 2B3), even though evenness was comparable (Table 5.6). In September 2009 the indices between the control and non-control stations were, in general, comparable. Similar differences were apparent in the previous two study years and were likely due to natural variations in the local populations at these locations. No impacts of the BVPS on the benthic community, as measured by differences between control and non-control zones, were evident in either May or September.

Substrate was probably the most important factor controlling the distribution and abundance of the benthic macroinvertebrates in the Ohio River near BVPS. Soft, mucky substrates that generally existed along the shoreline are conducive to oligochaete, chironomid, and mollusk habitation and limit species of macroinvertebrates that require a more stable bottom.

The density of macroinvertebrates in May and September 2009 fell within the range of densities of macroinvertebrates collected at BVPS in previous years (Table 5.7). *The community structure has changed little since pre-operational years, and the available evidence does not indicate that BVPS operations have affected the benthic community of the Ohio River.*

#### 5.4.2 Fish Sampling Program

In 2009, 233 fish representing 22 taxa were collected (i.e., handled) during BVPS surveys by electrofishing and seining (Table 5.8). All taxa collected in 2009 were previously encountered at BVPS. The most common species in the 2009 BVPS surveys, which were collected by electrofishing and seining combined, were shorthead redhorse sucker (18.9% of the total catch), followed by sauger (12.2%), emerald shiner (9.4%), smallmouth bass (9.0%), golden redhorse sucker (8.2%), smallmouth buffalo (7.3%), white bass (5.2%) and quillback (5.2%). None of the remaining 14 species contributed to more than 5 percent of the total handled catch. The most frequently observed but not handled fish in 2009 were gizzard shad (Table 5.15). Game fish collected in 2009 included channel catfish, black crappie, flathead catfish, white bass, bluegill, smallmouth bass, sauger, walleye, and spotted bass. Game fish represented 36.1% of the total handled catch, 21.9% of which were smallmouth bass and sauger.

A total of 204 fish, representing 20 taxa, was collected by electrofishing in 2009 (Table 5.9). Shorthead redhorse suckers and sauger accounted for the greatest portion of the 2009 electrofishing catch (21.6% and 14.7%, respectively) followed by smallmouth bass (9.8%), golden redhorse sucker (9.3%), smallmouth buffalo (8.3%), quillback (5.9%) and white bass (5.9%). No other species collected contributed to greater than five percent of the total catch. Fish observed and not collected in the 2009 electrofishing study are presented in Table 5.15.

A total of 29 fish representing 4 taxa was collected by seining in 2009 (Table 5.10). The most abundant taxa collected was emerald shiner (75.9% of the total catch) followed by spotfin shiner (17.2%), flathead catfish (3.5%) and smallmouth bass (3.5%). The game species were only collected as juveniles.

A total of 61 fish representing 15 species was captured during the May 2009 sampling event (Table 5.11). All but three of the fish were collected during electrofishing. Shorthead redhorse sucker (25.9%), smallmouth bass (15.5%), golden redhorse sucker (13.8%), and smallmouth buffalo (12.1%) were the most common species boated during the electrofishing effort. Flathead catfish, smallmouth bass, spotted bass, white bass and walleye were the game species collected in May. Three emerald shiners were the only fish collected by seine netting in May.

A total of 47 fish representing 13 species was captured during the July 2009 sampling event (Table 5.12). A total of 39 fish representing 11 species was collected during electrofishing efforts. Shorthead redhorse sucker (33.3% of the total catch), sauger (15.4%), smallmouth buffalo (10.3%), carp (7.7%), and quillback (7.7%) were the most common species boated during the electrofishing effort. Channel catfish, sauger, smallmouth bass, and spotted bass were the only game species collected during the July electrofishing study (Table 5.12). Hundreds of juvenile gizzard shad that were too small to be collected in the electrofishing nets were observed but not boated (Table 5.15). A total of eight fish representing three species was collected by seine netting. Five spotfin shiner, two emerald shiners, and one juvenile flathead catfish were the only fish collected in the seine nets.

During the fall 2009 sampling event, 52 fish representing 14 taxa were collected (Table 5.13). A total of 49 fish representing 13 species was collected during electrofishing during the first week of October. Sauger (26.5% of the total catch) and white bass (16.3%) were the most abundant species. Golden redhorse sucker (12.2% of the total electrofishing catch), spotted bass (8.2%) and shorthead redhorse sucker (8.2%) were also relatively abundant. Black crappie, bluegill, white bass, sauger, smallmouth bass and spotted bass were the game species collected during electrofishing efforts in October. Three fish; two emerald shiners and one juvenile smallmouth bass were the only fish collected during the fall seine effort that took place in September.

During the November 2009 sampling event, 79 fish representing 15 taxa were captured (Table 5.14). A total of 58 fish representing 14 species were collected during electrofishing. Shorthead redhorse sucker were the most abundant species collected by electrofishing and contributed to 20.7% of the total. Other relatively abundant species were sauger (19.0%), smallmouth bass (10.3%), smallmouth buffalo (8.6%), carp (6.9%) and golden redhorse sucker (6.9%). Game species collected by electrofishing included white bass, smallmouth bass, sauger, spotted bass, flathead catfish, and walleye. Fish observed and not collected in the November electrofishing study are presented in Table 5.15. A total of 15 emerald shiners were the only fish collected during seine netting.

Electrofishing catch rates are presented in Tables 5.16, 5.17, 5.18, and 5.19 for fish that were boated and handled during the 2006 through 2009 surveys by season (FENOC 2007, 2008 and 2009). In 2009 the annual catch rate was 1.27 fish per minute. The greatest catch rate in 2009 occurred in winter (November) when the catch rate was 1.45 fish per minute. Sauger, and shorthead redhorse sucker, contributed to the majority of this total. The lowest catch rate occurred in summer (July) with a rate of 0.98 fish per electrofishing minute. The annual catch rates were consistent over the four years ranging from a high of 1.98 fish per minute in 2008 to 1.17 in 2007. Over the four years, the highest seasonal catch rates occurred in May 2008 (4.54

fish per minute) and in May 2006 (2.85 fish per minute). The lowest seasonal catch rates occurred in July 2008 (0.68 fish per minute) and July 2006 (0.70 fish per minute).

The results of the electrofishing sampling effort (Table 5.9) did not indicate any major differences in species composition between the control station (1) and the non-control Stations 2A, 2B, and 3. A greater number of fish representing more species was captured at non-control stations than control stations. This was most likely due to the extra effort expended at non-control stations versus control stations (i.e., there are three non-control stations and only one control station). In 2009, a comparable number of individuals, but fewer species were collected by seines at the control station compared to the non-control stations. Both numbers of individuals and taxa were less than during electrofishing effort (Table 5.10).

In 2009, species composition remained comparable among stations. Common taxa collected in the 2009 surveys by all methods included redhorse sucker species, smallmouth buffalo, sauger, smallmouth bass, and emerald shiner. Little difference in the species composition of the catch was observed between the control (1) and non-control stations (2A, 2B and 3). Habitat preference and availability were probably the most important factors affecting where and when different species of fish are collected.

The results of the 2009 fish surveys indicated that there is a normal community structure in the Ohio River in the vicinity of BVPS based on species composition and relative abundance of fish observed during the surveys. Benthivores (bottom feeders including suckers and buffalo) and forage species (e.g. gizzard shad, emerald shiners) were collected in the highest numbers. The numbers of forage species were less than in 2008. Variations in annual catch were probably attributable to normal fluctuations in the population size of the forage species and the predator populations that rely on them. Forage species, such as gizzard shad and emerald shiner with high reproductive potentials, frequently respond to changes in natural environmental factors (competition, food availability, cover, and water quality) with large fluctuations in population size, which could be the reason for the lower numbers of these species observed in 2009. This, in turn, influences their appearance in the sample populations during annual surveys. Spawning/rearing success due to abiotic factors is usually the determining factor of the size and composition of a fish community. In addition, differences in electrofishing catch rate can be attributed to environmental conditions that prevail during sampling efforts. High water, increased turbidity, and swift currents that occur during electrofishing efforts in some years can affect the collection efficiency of this year.

#### 5.4.3 Corbicula Monitoring Program

In 2009, two *Corbicula* (100 percent alive) were collected from the Unit 1 cooling tower basin during monthly reservoir sampling. No *Corbicula* were collected in the scraping samples. The largest *Corbicula* collected was retained in a sieve with a 2.00-3.34 mm length size range (Table 5.20 and Figure 5.5). One *Corbicula* was collected in March and the other in May. The mean density of total *Corbicula* (live and dead) in Unit 1 in 2008 was 11/m<sup>2</sup>. No sampling was conducted in April because the Unit 2 Cooling Tower could not be accessed due to unit shutdown.

In 2009, no *Corbicula* were collected from the Unit 2 cooling tower reservoir during monthly sampling (Table 5.21 and Figure 5.6). No sampling was conducted in November because the Unit 2 Cooling Tower could not be accessed due to unit shutdown.

In 2009, BVPS continued its *Corbicula* control program (Year 16), which included the use of a molluscicide (CT-1) to prevent the proliferation of *Corbicula* within BVPS. BVPS was granted permission by the Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection to use CT-1 to target the Unit 1 river water system and the Unit 2 service water system.

In 1990 through 1993, the molluscicide applications (CT-1) focused on reducing the *Corbicula* population throughout the entire river water system of each BVPS plant (Units 1 and 2). In 1994 and 1995, the CT-1 applications targeted the internal water systems; therefore, the CT-1 concentrations in the cooling towers were reduced during CT-1 applications. Consequently, adult and juvenile *Corbicula* in the cooling towers often survived the CT-1 applications. Reservoir sediment samples taken after CT-1 applications represent mortality of *Corbicula* in the cooling tower only and do not reflect mortality in BVPS internal water systems.

The monthly reservoir sediment samples collected in Units 1 and 2 Cooling Towers in recent years demonstrated that *Corbicula* were entering and colonizing the reservoirs. Overall, densities in Units 1 and 2 were somewhat less than those in 2008. The recent decrease of *Corbicula* at the BVPS returns densities to levels more consistent with densities in the Ohio River in the mid-1990's, but well below those present during the 1980's.

#### 5.4.4 *Corbicula* Juvenile Monitoring Program

Figure 5.7 presents the abundance and size distribution data for samples collected in the Ohio River near the intake structure by petite ponar dredge in 2009. Seven live individuals were collected in May, 25 in July, two in September, and nine November for a total of 43 individuals. They ranged in size from the 1.00-1.99mm size range that were spawned in 2009 to greater than 9.50mm that were spawned in prior years. The number of individuals collected in 2009 was somewhat higher than in 2008 (23 individuals), 2007 (14 individuals), 2006 (three individuals) and 2005 (17 individuals).

A spring/early-summer spawning period typically occurs in the Ohio River near BVPS each year when preferred spawning temperatures (60-65° F) are reached (Figure 5.8). The offspring from this spawning event generally begin appearing in the sample collections in May. The settled clams generally increase in size throughout the year. ***The overall low numbers of live Corbicula collected in the sample collected outside the intake and cooling towers in 2009, compared to levels in the 1980's, likely reflects a natural decrease in the density of Corbicula in the Ohio River near BVPS.***

#### 5.4.5 Zebra Mussel Monitoring Program

Zebra mussels (*Dreissena polymorpha*) are exotic freshwater mollusks that have ventrally

flattened shells generally marked with alternating dark and lighter bands. They are believed to have been introduced into North America through the ballast water of ocean-going cargo vessels probably from Eastern Europe. They were first identified in Lake St. Clair in 1988 and rapidly spread to other Great Lakes and the Mississippi River drainage system, becoming increasingly abundant in the lower, middle, and upper Ohio River. They use strong adhesive byssal threads, collectively referred to as the byssus, to attach themselves to any hard surfaces (e.g., intake pipes, cooling water intake systems, and other mussels). Responding to NRC Notice No. 89-76 (Biofouling Agent-Zebra Mussel, November 21, 1989), BVPS instituted a Zebra Mussel Monitoring Program in January 1990. Studies have been conducted each year since then.

Zebra mussels were detected in both pump samples (Figures 5.9 and 5.10) and substrate samples (Figure 5.11 and 5.12) in 2009. Zebra mussel veliger pump samples were collected from April through October 2009 (Figures 5.9 and 5.10). Veligers were collected at all of the six sites that were sampled in 2009. At most sample sites, densities of veligers generally increased through the year, peaked in July and August and then were less for the balance of the sampling year. This seasonal pattern is typical for zebra mussels in the northeastern United States. Spawning begins as water temperature reach approximately 14 degrees C and peak at water temperatures of 21 degrees C. Veligers densities usually peak about two weeks after the optimum water temperature for spawning is reached. Veliger densities then fall off as veligers mature and settle. The densities of veligers in the two cooling water reservoirs peaked earlier (June), which may be attributable to the higher than ambient temperatures in the Cooling Towers. The greatest density of veligers was present in the sample collected from the Unit 2 Cooling Tower reservoir in June 2009 (20,280/m<sup>3</sup>). Veligers were present in every month sampled. From June through the end of veliger sampling in October, veligers were present in every sample collected at all locations. Overall, veliger densities in 2009 were somewhat lower than in 2008 but comparable to the densities present in 2007. This is likely due to annual variability in numbers of veligers in the Ohio River.

In 2009, settled zebra mussels were collected in scrape samples at the Unit 2 Cooling Tower Reservoir, the barge slip, and the intake structure (Figures 5.11 and 5.12). This is the first year that settled mussels were collected in either cooling tower. They were collected in the July sample only, and were present at a density of less than two mussels/m<sup>2</sup>. The highest density of settled mussels in any sample collected was at the barge slip (61 mussels/m<sup>2</sup>) in June. The mussels collected at each of the sites included individuals that were capable of reproducing. The density of collected adult zebra mussels in 2009 was somewhat comparable to densities that occurred in 2008.

Overall, both the number of observations and densities of settled mussels in 2009 were similar to those recorded in 2008, which was somewhat higher than the preceding five years. Although densities of settled mussels are low compared to other populations such as the Lower Great Lakes, densities comparable to those in the Ohio River are sufficient to cause problems in the operation of untreated cooling water intake systems. This was evidenced by the observation of a very high density of mussels found on BVPS's grizzly bars. *Whether the population of zebra mussels in this reach of the Ohio River is resurging or only yearly fluctuations are present*



*cannot be determined. In any case, the densities of mussels that presently exist are more than sufficient to impact the BVPS, if continued prudent monitoring and control activities are not conducted.*

## 6.0 ZEBRA MUSSEL AND *CORBICULA* CONTROL ACTIVITIES

In 2009, BVPS continued its *Corbicula* and zebra mussel control program (16<sup>th</sup> year), which included the use of a molluscicide (CT-1) to prevent the proliferation of *Corbicula* within BVPS. BVPS was granted permission by the Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection to use CT-1 to target the Unit 1 river water system and the Unit 2 service water system.

In 1990 through 1993, the molluscicide applications (CT-1) focused on reducing the *Corbicula* population throughout the entire river water system of each BVPS plant (Units 1 and 2). In 1994 through 2009, the CT-1 or 2 applications targeted zebra mussels and *Corbicula* in the internal water systems; therefore the molluscicide concentrations in the cooling towers were reduced during CT-1 or 2 applications. Consequently, adult and juvenile *Corbicula* in the cooling towers often survived the applications. Reservoir sediment samples taken after CT-1 or 2 applications represented mortality of *Corbicula* in the cooling tower only and do not reflect mortality in BVPS internal water systems.

In addition to clamicide treatments, preventive measures were taken that included quarterly cleaning of the Intake Bays. The bay cleanings are intended to minimize the accumulation and growth of mussels within the bays. This practice prevents creating an uncontrolled internal colonization habitat.

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# **TABLES**

**TABLE 5.1**  
**BEAVER VALLEY POWER STATION (BVPS)**  
**SAMPLING DATES FOR 2009**

Study	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
Benthic Macroinvertebrate					21				17			
Fish					21		7		17*	6**	10	
<i>Corbicula</i> and Zebra Mussel			25	28	21	18	7	13	17	6	10	
<i>Corbicula</i> CT Density												
Zebra Mussel Veliger				28	21	18	7	13	17	6		

\*seine netting only  
\*\*electrofishing only

**Table 5.2**  
**Systematic List of Macroinvertebrates Collected From 1973 Through 2009 in The Ohio River Near BVPS**

Phylum	Class	Family	Sub-Family	Genus and Species	Previous Collections	Collected in 2009	New in 2009
Porifera							
				<i>Spongilla fragilis</i>	X		
Cnidaria							
	Hydrozoa						
		Clavidae					
				<i>Cordylophora lacustris</i>	X		
		Hydridae					
				<i>Craspedacusta sowerbii</i>	X		
				<i>Hydra sp.</i>	X		
Platyhelminthes							
	Tricladida				X		
	Rhabdocoela				X		
Nemertea					X		
Nematoda					X		
Entoprocta							
				<i>Umatella gracilis</i>	X		
Ectoprocta							
				<i>Fredericella sp.</i>	X		
				<i>Paludicella articulata</i>	X		
				<i>Pectinatella sp.</i>	X		
				<i>Plumatella sp.</i>	X		
Annelida							
	Oligochaeta				X	X	
		Aelosomatidae			X		
		Enchytraeidae			X	X	
		Naididae			X		
				<i>Allonais pectinata</i>	X		
				<i>Amphichaeta leydigi</i>	X		
				<i>Amphichaeta sp.</i>	X		
				<i>Arcteonais lomondi</i>	X	X	
				<i>Aulophorus sp.</i>	X		
				<i>Chaetogaster diaphanus</i>	X		
				<i>C. diastrophus</i>	X		
				<i>Dero digitata</i>	X		
				<i>Dero flabelliger</i>	X		
				<i>D. nivea</i>	X		
				<i>Dero sp.</i>	X		
				<i>Nais barbata</i>	X		
				<i>N. behningi</i>	X		
				<i>N. bretscheri</i>	X		
				<i>N. communis</i>	X		
				<i>N. elinguis</i>	X		
				<i>N. pardalis</i>	X		
				<i>N. pseudobtusa</i>	X		
				<i>N. simplex</i>	X		
				<i>N. variabilis</i>	X	X	
				<i>Nais sp.</i>	X		
				<i>Ophidonais serpentina</i>	X		
				<i>Paranais frici</i>	X		
				<i>Paranais litoralis</i>	X		
				<i>Paranais sp.</i>	X	X	
				<i>Piguetiella michiganensis</i>	X		
				<i>Pristina idrensis</i>	X		
				<i>Pristina longisoma</i>	X		
				<i>Pristina longiseta</i>	X		
				<i>P. osborni</i>	X		
				<i>P. sima</i>	X		
				<i>Pristina sp.</i>	X		
				<i>Pristinella sp.</i>	X		

**Table 5.2 (continued)**  
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Phylum	Class	Family	Sub-Family	Genus and Species	Previous Collections	Collected in 2009	New in 2009
Annelida	Oligochaeta	Naididae		<i>Pristinella jenkinsae</i>	X	X	
				<i>Pristinella idrensis</i>	X		
				<i>Pristina osborni</i>	X	X	
				<i>Ripistes parasita</i>	X		
				<i>Slavina appendiculata</i>	X		
				<i>Specaria josinae</i>	X	X	
				<i>Stephensoniana trivandrana</i>	X		
				<i>Stylaria fossularis</i>	X		
				<i>S. lacustris</i>	X		
				<i>Uncinaiis uncinata</i>	X		
				<i>Vejdovskyella comata</i>	X		
				<i>Vejdovskyella intermedia</i>	X		
				<i>Vejdovskyella sp.</i>	X		
		Tubificida			X		
			Tubificidae		X		
				<i>Aulodrilus limnobius</i>	X		
				<i>A. pigueti</i>	X	X	
				<i>A. pluriseta</i>	X		
				<i>Aulodrilus sp.</i>	X		
				<i>Bothrioneurum vejdoskyanum</i>	X		
				<i>Branchiura sowerbyi</i>	X	X	
				<i>Ilyodrilus templetoni</i>	X		
				<i>Limnodrilus cervix</i>	X		
				<i>L. cervix (variant)</i>	X		
				<i>L. clapedianus</i>	X		
				<i>L. hoffmeisteri</i>	X	X	
				<i>L. maumeensis</i>	X	X	
				<i>L. profundicla</i>	X		
				<i>L. spiralis</i>	X		
				<i>L. udekemianus</i>	X		
				<i>Limnodrilus sp.</i>	X		
				<i>Peloscolex multisetosus longidentus</i>	X		
				<i>P. m. multisetosus</i>	X		
				<i>Potamotheix moldaviensis</i>	X		
				<i>Potamotheix sp.</i>	X		
				<i>P. vejdoskyi</i>	X		
				<i>Psammoryctides curvisetosus</i>	X		
				<i>Tubifex tubifex</i>	X		
				Unidentified immature forms:			
				with hair chaetae	X		
				without hair chaetae	X	X	
			Lumbriculidae		X	X	
			Hirudinae		X	X	
			Glossiphoniidae		X		
				<i>Helobdella elongata</i>	X		
				<i>H. stagnalis</i>	X		
				<i>Helobdella sp.</i>	X		
			Erpobdellidae				
				<i>Erpobdella sp.</i>	X		
				<i>Mooreobdella microstoma</i>	X		
			Haplotaxidae				
				<i>Stylodrilus sp.</i>	X	X	
	Lumbricina	Lumbricidae			X		
					X		



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Phylum	Class	Family	Sub-Family	Genus and Species	Previous Collections	Collected in 2009	New in 2009		
Arthropoda									
	Acarina				X				
		Oxus sp.				X	X		
		Ostracoda			X				
		Isopoda							
		Asellus sp.			X				
Arthropoda									
	Amphipoda								
		Talitridae							
			Hyaella azteca			X			
		Gammaridae							
			Cragonyx pseudogracilis			X			
			Cragonyx sp.			X			
			Gammarus fasciatus			X			
			Gammarus sp.			X	X		
		Pontoporeiidae							
	Monoporeia affinis			X					
Decapoda					X				
Collembola					X				
Ephemeroptera					X				
		Heptageniidae				X			
			Stenacron sp.			X			
			Stenonema sp.			X			
		Ephemeridae							
			Ephemer a sp.			X			
			Hexagenia sp.			X	X		
			Ephron sp.			X			
		Baetidae							
			Baetis sp.			X			
		Caenidae							
			Caenis sp.			X			
			Serratella sp.			X			
			Tricorythidae						
Tricorythodes sp.				X					
Megaloptera									
		Sialis sp.			X				
Odonata									
		Gomphidae							
			Argia sp.			X			
			Dromogomphus spoliatus			X			
			Dromogomphus sp.			X			
		Libellulidae	Gomphus sp.			X			
			Libellula sp.			X			
Plecoptera					X	X			
Trichoptera					X				
		Hydropsychidae							
			Cheumatopsyche sp.			X			
			Hydropsyche sp.			X			
			Parapsyche sp.			X			
			Hydroptilidae						
				Hydroptila sp.					
		Orthotrichia sp.							
			Oxyethira sp.						
			Leptoceridae						
				Ceraclea sp.			X		
	Polycentropodidae	Oecetis sp.			X	X			
		Cynellus sp			X				
Trichoptera					X				
		Polycentropodidae		Polycentropus sp.	X				

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Phylum	Class	Family Sub-Family	Genus and Species	Previous Collections	Collected in 2009	New in 2009
<b>Coleoptera</b>						
		Hydrophilidae		X		
<b>Coleoptera</b>						
		Elmidae	<i>Ancyronyx variegatus</i>	X		
			<i>Dubiraphia sp.</i>	X	X	
			<i>Helichus sp.</i>	X		
			<i>Optioserus sp.</i>	X		
			<i>Stenelmis sp.</i>	X		
		Psephenidae		X		
<b>Diptera</b>						
		Unidentified Diptera		X		
		Psychodidae		X		
			<i>Pericoma sp.</i>	X		
			<i>Psychoda sp.</i>	X		
			<i>Telmatoscopus sp.</i>	X		
			Unidentified Psychodidae pupae	X		
		Chaoboridae				
			<i>Chaoborus sp.</i>	X		
		Simuliidae				
			<i>Simulium sp.</i>	X		
		Chironomidae		X	X	
		Chironominae		X		
			Tanytarsini pupa	X		
			Chironominae pupa	X		
			<i>Axarus sp.</i>	X		
			<i>Chironomus sp.</i>	X	X	
			<i>Cladopelma sp.</i>	X	X	
			<i>Cladotanytarsus sp.</i>	X	X	
			<i>Cryptochironomus sp.</i>	X	X	
			<i>Dicrotendipes nervosus</i>	X		
			<i>Dicrotendipes sp.</i>	X	X	
			<i>Glyptotendipes sp.</i>	X		
			<i>Harnischia sp.</i>	X		
			<i>Microchironomus sp.</i>	X		
			<i>Micropsectra sp.</i>	X		
			<i>Microtendipes sp.</i>	X	X	
			<i>Parachironomus sp.</i>	X		
			<i>Paracladopelma sp.</i>	X		
			<i>Paratanytarsus sp.</i>	X		
			<i>Paratendipes sp.</i>	X	X	
			<i>Phaenopsectra sp.</i>	X	X	
			<i>Polypedilum (s.s.) convictum type</i>	X		
			<i>P. (s.s.) simulans type</i>	X		
			<i>Polypedilum sp.</i>	X	X	
			<i>Rheotanytarsus sp.</i>	X		
			<i>Stempelina sp.</i>	X	X	
			<i>Stenochironomus sp.</i>	X		
			<i>Stictochironomus sp.</i>	X	X	
			<i>Tanytarsus coffmani</i>	X		
			<i>Tanytarsus sp.</i>	X	X	
			<i>Tribelos sp.</i>	X		
			<i>Xenochironomus sp.</i>	X		
		Tanypodinae		X		
			Tanypodinae pupae	X		
			<i>Ablabesmyia sp.</i>	X		
			<i>Clinotanypus sp.</i>	X		
			<i>Coelotanypus scapularis</i>	X		
			<i>Coelotanypus sp.</i>	X	X	
			<i>Djalmabatista pulcher</i>	X		
			<i>Djalmabatista sp.</i>	X		
			<i>Procladius sp.</i>	X	X	
			<i>Tanypus sp.</i>	X		

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Phylum	Class	Family	Sub-Family	Genus and Species	Previous Collections	Collected in 2009	New in 2009	
Diptera		Tanypodinae		<i>Thienemannimyia</i> group	X			
				<i>Zavrelimyia</i> sp.	X			
		Orthoclaadiinae		<i>Orthoclaadiinae</i> pupae	X			
				<i>Cricotopus bicinctus</i>	X			
				<i>C. (s.s.) trifascia</i>	X			
				<i>Cricotopus (Isocladius)-sylvestris</i> Group	X			
				<i>C. (Isocladius) sp.</i>	X			
				<i>Cricotopus (s.s.) sp.</i>	X	X		
				<i>Eukiefferiella</i> sp.	X			
				<i>Hydrobaenus</i> sp.	X			
				<i>Linnophyes</i> sp.	X			
				<i>Nanocladius (s.s.) distinctus</i>	X			
				<i>Nanocladius</i> sp.	X			
				<i>Orthocladius</i> sp.	X	X		
				<i>Parametrioctenus</i> sp.	X			
				<i>Paraphaenocladius</i> sp.	X			
				<i>Psectrocladius</i> sp.	X	X		
				<i>Pseudorthocladius</i> sp.	X			
				<i>Pseudosmittia</i> sp.	X			
				<i>Smittia</i> sp.	X			
				<i>Theinemannimyia</i> sp.	X			
			Diamesinae					
					<i>Diamesa</i> sp.	X		
					<i>Potthastia</i> sp.	X		
			Ceratopogonidae			X		
					<i>Probezzia</i> sp.	X	X	
					<i>Bezzia</i> sp.	X		
					<i>Culicoides</i> sp.	X	X	
			Dolichopodidae			X		
			Empididae			X		
					<i>Clinocera</i> sp.	X		
					<i>Wiedemannia</i> sp.	X		
			Ephydriidae			X		
			Muscidae			X		
			Rhagionidae			X		
			Tipulidae			X		
			Stratiomyidae			X		
			Syrphidae			X		
	Lepidoptera					X		
Hydrachnidia					X			
Mollusca								
	Gastropoda				X			
		Hydrobiidae			X	X		
		Amnicolinae						
				<i>Amnicola</i> sp.	X	X		
				<i>Aminicola binneyana</i>	X			
				<i>Amnicola limosa</i>	X			
				<i>Stagnicola elodes</i>	X			
	Physacea				X			
		Pleuroceridae						
				<i>Pleurocera acuta</i>	X	X		
				<i>Goniobasis</i> sp	X	X		
		Physidae			X			
				<i>Physa</i> sp.	X			
				<i>Physa ancillaria</i>	X			
				<i>Physa integm</i>	X			

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Phylum	Class	Family	Sub-Family	Genus and Species	Previous Collections	Collected in 2009	New in 2009
Mollusca	Physacea	Ancylidae			X	X	
				Ferrissia sp.	X		
		Planorbidae					
				Gillia atilis	X	X	
		Valvatidae			X		
				Valvata perdepressa	X		
				Valvata piscinalis	X		
				Valvata sincera sincera	X		
				Valvata sp.	X	X	
Pelecypoda	Sphaeriacea				X		
					X		
		Corbiculidae					
				Corbicula fluminea	X	X	
				Corbicula sp.	X		
		Sphaeriidae			X		
				Pisidium ventricosum	X		
				Pisidium sp.	X	X	
				Sphaerium sp.	X	X	
				Unidentified immature Sphaeriidae	X		
		Dreissenidae					
				Dreissena polymorpha	X	X	
		Unionidae			X		
				Anodonta grandis	X		
				Anodonta (immature)	X		
				Elliptio sp.	X		
				Quadrula pustulosa	X		
				Unidentified immature Unionidae	X		

**BENTHIC MACROINVERTEBRATE COUNTS FOR TRIPPLICATE SAMPLES  
TAKEN AT EACH SAMPLE STATION FOR MAY AND SEPTEMBER 2009**

Scientific name	May							Sept							Sept Total	2009 Total
	Location						May Total	Location								
	1	2A	2B1	2B2	2B3	3		1	2A	2B1	2B2	2B3	3			
<i>Amnicola</i> sp.	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	3	3	4	
Ancylidae	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	
<i>Arcteonais lomondi</i>	0	0	0	0	25	0	25	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	25	
<i>Aulodrilus pigueti</i>	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	
<i>Branchiura sowerbyi</i>	1	0	0	1	7	0	9	1	0	0	1	0	0	2	11	
Chironomid pupae	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	2	2	
Chironomidae	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	2	
<i>Chironomus</i> sp.	0	0	5	0	42	0	47	0	1	3	2	7	4	17	64	
<i>Cladopelma</i> sp.	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	
<i>Cladotanytarsus</i> sp.	0	0	0	0	2	0	2	0	1	3	1	0	0	5	7	
<i>Coelotanypus</i> sp.	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	2	2	
<i>Corbicula fluminea</i>	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	1	
<i>Cricotopus</i> (s.s.) sp.	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	
<i>Cryptochironomus</i> sp.	0	0	1	0	7	1	9	2	3	8	0	2	3	18	27	
<i>Culicoides</i> sp.	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	2	0	2	3	
<i>Dicrentipides</i> sp.	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	2	
<i>Dreissena polymorpha</i>	0	0	0	12	1	0	13	1	5	0	0	0	0	6	19	
<i>Dubiraphia</i> sp.	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	1	
Enchytraeidae	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	
<i>Gammarus</i> sp.	0	0	0	0	1	1	2	1	5	0	0	1	0	7	9	
<i>Gillia atilis</i>	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	6	1	1	0	8	8	
<i>Goniobasis virginica</i>	0	0	0	2	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	
<i>Hexagenia</i> sp.	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	1	4	0	0	5	6	
Hirudinea	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	1	3	3	
Hydrobiidae	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	10	0	0	0	12	12	
Immature tubificid without	3	3	4	20	64	7	101	38	1	15	71	140	56	321	422	
<i>Limnodrilus hoffmeisteri</i>	0	0	0	3	5	3	11	1	1	1	4	13	7	27	38	
<i>Limnodrilus maumeensis</i>	0	0	0	1	1	2	4	0	0	0	0	6	0	6	10	
Lumbriculidae	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	
<i>Microtendipes</i> sp.	0	0	0	0	3	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	
<i>Nais variabilis</i>	0	0	0	0	2	0	2	0	0	0	0	1	5	6	8	
<i>Ocetis</i> sp.	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	1	
Oligochaeta	0	2	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	
<i>Orthocladus</i> sp.	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	1	
<i>Oxus</i> sp (Hydracharina)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	1	
<i>Paranais</i> sp.	0	0	0	0	2	0	2	9	1	7	0	0	1	18	20	
<i>Paratendipes</i> sp.	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	
<i>Phaenopsectra</i> sp.	0	0	3	11	1	0	15	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	15	
<i>Pisidium</i> sp.	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	1	0	8	3	1	0	13	14	
<i>Pleurocera acuta</i>	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	2	2	
Plecoptera	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	
<i>Polypedilum</i> sp.	0	1	3	5	16	0	25	5	3	22	1	1	1	33	58	
<i>Pristina osborni</i>	0	0	0	0	6	0	6	0	0	8	4	2	2	16	22	
<i>Pristinella jenkinsae</i>	0	0	0	0	3	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	
<i>Probetzia</i> sp.	0	0	0	0	2	0	2	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	3	
<i>Procladius</i> sp.	0	0	0	0	8	0	8	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	8	
<i>Psectocladius</i> sp.	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	1	
<i>Specaria josinae</i>	0	0	0	0	8	1	9	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	9	
<i>Sphaerium</i> sp.	1	0	1	1	0	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	
<i>Stempellina</i> sp.	0	0	0	0	3	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	
<i>Stictochironomus</i> sp.	0	0	2	0	1	0	3	0	7	2	0	0	0	9	12	
<i>Stylodrilus</i> sp.	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	1	
<i>Tanytarsus</i> sp.	0	0	3	0	7	0	10	1	22	20	1	0	0	44	54	
<i>Valvata</i> sp.	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	2	2	
Monthly Total	5	7	27	57	222	15	333	63	55	120	97	181	85	601	934	

TABLE 5.4

MEAN NUMBER OF MACROINVERTEBRATES (NUMBER/M<sup>2</sup>) AND PERCENT COMPOSITION  
OF OLIGOCHAETA, CHIRONOMIDAE, MOLLUSCA, AND OTHER ORGANISMS, 2009 BVPS

May	1 (Control)		2A		2B1 (Non-control)		2B2 (Non-control)		2B3 (Non-control)		3		Total Mean	
	#/m <sup>2</sup>	%	#/m <sup>2</sup>	%	#/m <sup>2</sup>	%	#/m <sup>2</sup>	%	#/m <sup>2</sup>	%	#/m <sup>2</sup>	%	#/m <sup>2</sup>	%
Oligochaeta	57	80	72	71	57	15	358	44	1792	56	186	87	420	53
Chironomidae	0	0	14	14	287	74	244	30	1304	41	14	7	311	39
Mollusca	14	20	0	0	43	11	215	26	14	0	0	0	48	6
Others	0	0	14	14	0	0	0	0	72	2	14	7	17	2
Total	72	100	100	100	387	100	817	100	3182	100	215	100	796	100

September	1 (Control)		2A		2B1 (Non-control)		2B2 (Non-control)		2B3 (Non-control)		3		Total Mean	
	#/m <sup>2</sup>	%	#/m <sup>2</sup>	%	#/m <sup>2</sup>	%	#/m <sup>2</sup>	%	#/m <sup>2</sup>	%	#/m <sup>2</sup>	%	#/m <sup>2</sup>	%
Oligochaeta	702	78	43	5	444	26	1161	84	2311	89	1032	85	951	66
Chironomidae	129	14	545	69	874	51	100	7	158	6	115	9	320	22
Mollusca	57	6	115	15	373	22	57	4	29	1	57	5	115	8
Others	14	2	86	11	29	2	72	5	86	3	14	1	50	3
Total	903	100	788	100	1720	100	1390	100	2583	100	1218	100	1436	100

**TABLE 5.5**

**MEAN NUMBER OF MACROINVERTEBRATES (NUMBER/M<sup>2</sup>) AND PERCENT COMPOSITION OF OLIGOCHAETA, CHIRONOMIDAE, MOLLUSCA, AND OTHER ORGANISMS FOR THE CONTROL STATION (1) AND THE AVERAGE FOR NON-CONTROL STATIONS ( 2B1, 2B2, AND 2B3), 2009 BVPS**

<b>May</b>	<b>Control Station (Mean)</b>		<b>Non-Control Station (Mean)</b>	
	<b>#/m<sup>2</sup></b>	<b>%</b>	<b>#/m<sup>2</sup></b>	<b>%</b>
Oligochaeta	57	80	736	50
Chironomidae	0	0	612	42
Mollusca	14	20	91	6
Others	0	0	24	2
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>71</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>1462</b>	<b>100</b>

<b>September</b>	<b>Control Station (Mean)</b>		<b>Non-Control Station (Mean)</b>	
	<b>#/m<sup>2</sup></b>	<b>%</b>	<b>#/m<sup>2</sup></b>	<b>%</b>
Oligochaeta	702	78	1309	69
Chironomidae	129	14	377	20
Mollusca	57	6	153	8
Others	14	2	62	3
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>903</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>1902</b>	<b>100</b>

TABLE 5.6

**SHANNON-WEINER DIVERSITY, EVENNESS AND RICHNESS INDICES  
FOR BENTHIC MACROINVERTEBRATES COLLECTED IN THE OHIO RIVER, 2009**

May	Station					
	1	2A	2B1	2B2	2B3	3
No. of Taxa	3	4	13	9	28	6
Shannon-Weiner Index	0.41	0.55	1.03	0.77	1.06	0.65
Evenness	0.86	0.92	0.93	0.81	0.73	0.83
Richness	1.24	1.54	3.64	1.98	5.00	1.85

Sptember	Station					
	1	2A	2B1	2B2	2B3	3
No. of Taxa	13	15	20	14	15	12
Shannon-Weiner Index	0.65	0.91	1.09	0.53	0.45	0.60
Evenness	0.58	0.77	0.84	0.46	0.38	0.55
Richness	2.90	3.49	3.97	2.84	2.69	2.48



**Table 5.7. Benthic Macroinvertebrate Densities for Stations 1 (Control) and 2B (Non control), BVPS, 1973-2009.**

	Preoperational					
	1973		1974		1975	
	1	2B	1	2B	1	2B
May	248	508	1116	2197		
August	99	244	143	541	1017	1124
<b>Mean</b>	<b>173</b>	<b>376</b>	<b>630</b>	<b>1369</b>	<b>1017</b>	<b>1124</b>

	Operational					
	1976		1977		1978	
	1	2B	1	2B	1	2B
May	927	3660	674	848	351	126
August	851	785	591	3474	601	1896
<b>Mean</b>	<b>889</b>	<b>2223</b>	<b>633</b>	<b>2161</b>	<b>476</b>	<b>1011</b>

	Operational					
	1979		1980		1981	
	1	2B	1	2B	1	2B
May	1004	840	1041	747	209	456
Aug/Sept	1185	588	1523	448	2185	912
<b>Mean</b>	<b>1095</b>	<b>714</b>	<b>1282</b>	<b>598</b>	<b>1197</b>	<b>684</b>

	Operational					
	1982		1983		1984	
	1	2B	1	2B	1	2B
May	3490	3026	3590	1314	2741	621
September	2958	3364	4172	4213	1341	828
<b>Mean</b>	<b>3223</b>	<b>3195</b>	<b>3881</b>	<b>2764</b>	<b>2041</b>	<b>725</b>

	Operational					
	1985		1986		1987	
	1	2B	1	2B	1	2B
May	2256	867	601	969	1971	2649
September	1024	913	849	943	2910	2780
<b>Mean</b>	<b>1640</b>	<b>890</b>	<b>725</b>	<b>956</b>	<b>2440</b>	<b>2714</b>

**Table 5.7      Benthic Macroinvertebrate Densities for Stations 1 (Control) and 2B (Non control), BVPS, 1973-2009 (Continued)**

	Operational					
	1988		1989		1990	
	1	2B	1	2B	1	2B
May	1804	1775	3459	2335	15135	5796
September	1420	1514	1560	4707	5550	1118
<b>Mean</b>	<b>1612</b>	<b>1645</b>	<b>2510</b>	<b>3274</b>	<b>10343</b>	<b>3457</b>

	Operational					
	1991		1992		1993	
	1	2B	1	2B	1	2B
May	7760	6355	7314	10560	8435	2152
September	3588	2605	2723	4707	4693	2143
<b>Mean</b>	<b>5808</b>	<b>4480</b>	<b>5019</b>	<b>7634</b>	<b>6564</b>	<b>2148</b>

	Operational					
	1994		1995		1996	
	1	2B	1	2B	1	2B
May	6980	2349	8083	9283	1987	1333
September	1371	2930	1669	3873	1649	2413
<b>Mean</b>	<b>4176</b>	<b>2640</b>	<b>4876</b>	<b>6578</b>	<b>1814</b>	<b>1873</b>

	Operational					
	1997		1998		1999	
	1	2B	1	2B	1	2B
May	1411	2520	6980	2349	879	1002
September	1944	2774	1371	2930	302	402
<b>Mean</b>	<b>1678</b>	<b>2647</b>	<b>4176</b>	<b>2640</b>	<b>591</b>	<b>702</b>

	Operational					
	2000		2001		2002	
	1	2B	1	2B	1	2B
May	2987	2881	3139	5232	1548	2795
September	3092	2742			8632	14663
<b>Mean</b>	<b>3040</b>	<b>2812</b>	<b>3139</b>	<b>5232</b>	<b>5090</b>	<b>8729</b>

**Table 5.7 Benthic Macroinvertebrate Densities for Stations 1 (Control) and 2B (Non control), BVPS, 1973-2009 (Continued).**

	Operational					
	2003		2004		2005	
	1	2B	1	2B	1	2B
May	7095	10750	2752	4558	516	1146
September	2193	6464	10062	7604	4773	6435
<b>Mean</b>	<b>4644</b>	<b>8607</b>	<b>6407</b>	<b>6121</b>	<b>2645</b>	<b>3791</b>

	Operational					
	2006		2007		2008	
	1	2B	1	2B	1	2B
May	143	1242	559	912	158	1252
September	229	2199	560	3794	1161	2150
<b>Mean</b>	<b>186</b>	<b>1721</b>	<b>560</b>	<b>2353</b>	<b>660</b>	<b>1701</b>

	Operational					
	2009					
	1	2B	1	2B	1	2B
May	71	1462				
September	903	1902				
<b>Mean</b>	<b>487</b>	<b>1682</b>				

TABLE 5.8

**TOTAL FISH CATCH; ELECTROFISHING AND SEINE NET  
COMBINED DURING THE BVPS 2009 FISHERIES SURVEY**

<b>Common Name</b>	<b>Scientific Name</b>	<b>Number</b>	<b>Percent</b>
Smallmouth buffalo	<i>Ictiobus bubalus</i>	17	7.30
Black crappie	<i>Pomoxis nigromaculatus</i>	1	0.43
Bluegill	<i>Lepomis macrochirus</i>	3	1.29
Carp	<i>Cyprinus carpio</i>	10	4.29
Channel catfish	<i>Ictalurus punctatus</i>	2	0.86
Emerald shiner	<i>Notropis atherinoides</i>	22	9.44
Flathead catfish	<i>Pylodictis olivaris</i>	3	1.29
Freshwater drum	<i>Aplodinotus grunniens</i>	1	0.43
Gizzard shad	<i>Dorosoma cepedianum</i>	5	2.15
Golden redhorse sucker	<i>Moxostoma erythrurum</i>	19	8.15
Longnose gar	<i>Lepisosteus osseus</i>	7	3.00
Mooneye	<i>Hiodon tergisus</i>	3	1.29
Quillback	<i>Carpiodes cyprinus</i>	12	5.15
River carpsucker	<i>Carpiodes carpio</i>	2	0.86
Sauger	<i>Sander canadense</i>	30	12.88
Shorthead redhorse sucker	<i>Moxostoma macrolepidotum</i>	44	18.88
Silver redhorse	<i>Moxostoma anisurum</i>	2	0.86
Smallmouth bass	<i>Micropterus dolomieu</i>	21	9.01
Spotfin shiner	<i>Notropis spilopterus</i>	5	2.15
Spotted bass	<i>Micropterus punctulatus</i>	8	3.43
Walleye	<i>Sander vitreum</i>	4	1.72
White bass	<i>Morone chrysops</i>	12	5.15
<b>Total Fish Collected in 2009</b>		<b>233</b>	<b>100.00</b>

TABLE 5.9

**COMPARISON OF CONTROL VS. NON-CONTROL ELECTROFISHING  
CATCHES  
DURING THE BVPS 2009 FISHERIES SURVEY**

<b>Common Name</b>	<b>Control</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>Non-control</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>Total fish</b>	<b>%</b>
Smallmouth buffalo	9	13.24	8	5.9	17	8.33
Black crappie			1	0.7	1	0.49
Bluegill	1	1.47	2	1.5	3	1.47
Carp	4	5.88	6	4.4	10	4.90
Channel catfish			2	1.5	2	0.98
Flathead catfish	1	1.47	1	0.7	2	0.98
Freshwater drum			1	0.7	1	0.49
Gizzard shad			5	3.7	5	2.45
Golden redhorse sucker	7	10.29	12	8.8	19	9.31
Longnose gar	2	2.94	5	3.7	7	3.43
Mooneye			3	2.2	3	1.47
Quillback	3	4.41	9	6.6	12	5.88
River carpsucker	1	1.47	1	0.7	2	0.98
Sauger	10	14.71	20	14.7	30	14.71
Shorthead redhorse sucker	18	26.47	26	19.1	44	21.57
Silver redhorse			2	1.5	2	0.98
Smallmouth bass	8	11.76	12	8.8	20	9.80
Spotted bass	1	1.47	7	5.1	8	3.92
Walleye	1	1.47	3	2.2	4	1.96
White bass	2	2.94	10	7.4	12	5.88
<b>Electrofishing Totals</b>	<b>68</b>	<b>100.00</b>	<b>136</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>204</b>	<b>100.00</b>

**TABLE 5.10**

**COMPARISON OF CONTROL VS. NON-CONTROL SEINE CATCHES  
DURING THE BVPS 2009 FISHERIES SURVEY**

<b>Common Name</b>	<b>Control</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>Non-control</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>Total fish</b>	<b>%</b>
Emerald shiner	11	73.33	11	78.57	22	75.86
Flathead catfish		0.00	1	7.14	1	3.45
Smallmouth bass		0.00	1	7.14	1	3.45
Spotfin shiner	4	26.67	1	7.14	5	17.24
<b>Seine Totals</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>100.00</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>100.00</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>100.00</b>

TABLE 5.11

**FISH SPECIES COLLECTED DURING THE MAY 2009 SAMPLING  
OF THE OHIO RIVER IN THE VICINITY OF BVPS**

Common Name	Sample locations *						Seine		Electrofishing	
	S-1	S-2	E-1	E-2A	E-2B	E-3	Total	%	Total	%
Smallmouth buffalo	-	-	3	2	2	-	0	0.00	7	12.07
Black crappie	-	-	-	-	-	-	0	0.00	0	0.00
Bluegill	-	-	-	-	-	-	0	0.00	0	0.00
Carp	-	-	-	-	-	-	0	0.00	0	0.00
Channel catfish	-	-	-	-	-	-	0	0.00	0	0.00
Emerald shiner	3	-	-	-	-	-	3	100.00	0	0.00
Flathead catfish	-	-	1	-	-	-	0	0.00	1	1.72
Freshwater drum	-	-	-	-	-	1	0	0.00	1	1.72
Gizzard shad	-	-	-	1	1	-	0	0.00	2	3.45
Golden redhorse sucker	-	-	4	1	-	3	0	0.00	8	13.79
Longnose gar	-	-	2	-	2	-	0	0.00	4	6.90
Mooneye	-	-	-	-	-	-	0	0.00	0	0.00
Quillback	-	-	1	1	1	2	0	0.00	5	8.62
River carpsucker	-	-	1	-	1	-	0	0.00	2	3.45
Sauger	-	-	-	-	-	-	0	0.00	0	0.00
Shorthead redhorse sucker	-	-	6	4	1	4	0	0.00	15	25.86
Silver redhorse	-	-	-	-	-	1	0	0.00	1	1.72
Smallmouth bass	-	-	5	2	2	-	0	0.00	9	15.52
Spotfin shiner	-	-	-	-	-	-	0	0.00	0	0.00
Spotted bass	-	-	-	1	-	-	0	0.00	1	1.72
Walleye	-	-	-	-	-	1	0	0.00	1	1.72
White bass	-	-	-	-	-	1	0	0.00	1	1.72
Total	3	0	23	12	10	13	3	100.00	58	100.00

\* Gear = (E) Fish captured by electrofishing; (S) captured by seining

TABLE 5.12

**FISH SPECIES COLLECTED DURING THE JULY 2009 SAMPLING  
OF THE OHIO RIVER IN THE VICINITY OF BVPS**

Common Name	Sample locations *						Seine		Electrofishing	
	S-1	S-2	E-1	E-2A	E-2B	E-3	Total	%	Total	%
Smallmouth buffalo	-	-	2	-	-	2	0	0.00	4	10.26
Black crappie	-	-	-	-	-	-	0	0.00	0	0.00
Bluegill	-	-	-	-	-	-	0	0.00	0	0.00
Carp	-	-	1	-	2	-	0	0.00	3	7.69
Channel catfish	-	-	-	1	-	-	0	0.00	1	2.56
Emerald shiner	2	-	-	-	-	-	2	25.00	0	0.00
Flathead catfish	-	1	-	-	-	-	1	12.50	0	0.00
Freshwater drum	-	-	-	-	-	-	0	0.00	0	0.00
Gizzard shad	-	-	-	-	-	2	0	0.00	2	5.13
Golden redhorse sucker	-	-	-	-	-	1	0	0.00	1	2.56
Longnose gar	-	-	-	-	-	-	0	0.00	0	0.00
Mooneye	-	-	-	-	1	1	0	0.00	2	5.13
Quillback	-	-	-	2	1	-	0	0.00	3	7.69
River carpsucker	-	-	-	-	-	-	0	0.00	0	0.00
Sauger	-	-	2	1	1	2	0	0.00	6	15.38
Shorthead redhorse sucker	-	-	5	7	-	1	0	0.00	13	33.33
Silver redhorse	-	-	-	-	-	-	0	0.00	0	0.00
Smallmouth bass	-	-	1	1	-	-	0	0.00	2	5.13
Spotfin shiner	4	1	-	-	-	-	5	62.50	0	0.00
Spotted bass	-	-	-	1	1	-	0	0.00	2	5.13
Walleye	-	-	-	-	-	-	0	0.00	0	0.00
White bass	-	-	-	-	-	-	0	0.00	0	0.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>100.00</b>	<b>39</b>	<b>100.00</b>

\* Gear = (E) Fish captured by electrofishing; (S) captured by seining



TABLE 5.13

**FISH SPECIES COLLECTED DURING THE SEPTEMBER/OCTOBER 2009 SAMPLING  
OF THE OHIO RIVER IN THE VICINITY OF BVPS**

Common Name	Sample locations *						Seine		Electrofishing	
	S-1	S-2	E-1	E-2A	E-2B	E-3	Total	%	Total	%
Smallmouth buffalo	-	-	-	-	1	-	0	0.00	1	2.04
Black crappie	-	-	-	-	-	1	0	0.00	1	2.04
Bluegill	-	-	1	1	1	-	0	0.00	3	6.12
Carp	-	-	1	-	1	1	0	0.00	3	6.12
Channel catfish	-	-	-	-	-	-	0	0.00	0	0.00
Emerald shiner	-	2	-	-	-	-	2	66.67	0	0.00
Flathead catfish	-	-	-	-	-	-	0	0.00	0	0.00
Freshwater drum	-	-	-	-	-	-	0	0.00	0	0.00
Gizzard shad	-	-	-	-	1	-	0	0.00	1	2.04
Golden redhorse sucker	-	-	2	1	3	-	0	0.00	6	12.24
Longnose gar	-	-	-	-	-	-	0	0.00	0	0.00
Mooneye	-	-	-	-	-	-	0	0.00	0	0.00
Quillback	-	-	-	1	-	-	0	0.00	1	2.04
River carpsucker	-	-	-	-	-	-	0	0.00	0	0.00
Sauger	-	-	4	5	2	2	0	0.00	13	26.53
Shorthead redhorse sucker	-	-	-	1	1	2	0	0.00	4	8.16
Silver redhorse	-	-	-	-	-	1	0	0.00	1	2.04
Smallmouth bass	-	1	-	1	1	1	1	33.33	3	6.12
Spotfin shiner	-	-	-	-	-	-	0	0.00	0	0.00
Spotted bass	-	-	1	1	2	-	0	0.00	4	8.16
Walleye	-	-	-	-	-	-	0	0.00	0	0.00
White bass	-	-	2	3	3	-	0	0.00	8	16.33
<b>Total</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>100.00</b>	<b>49</b>	<b>100.00</b>

\* Gear = (E) Fish captured by electrofishing; (S) captured by seining

TABLE 5.14

**FISH SPECIES COLLECTED DURING THE NOVEMBER 2009 SAMPLING  
OF THE OHIO RIVER IN THE VICINITY OF BVPS**

Common Name	Sample locations *						Seine		Electrofishing	
	S-1	S-2	E-1	E-2A	E-2B	E-3	Total	%	Total	%
Smallmouth buffalo	-	-	4	1	-	-	0	0.00	5	8.62
Black crappie	-	-	-	-	-	-	0	0.00	0	0.00
Bluegill	-	-	-	-	-	-	0	0.00	0	0.00
Carp	-	-	2	-	2	-	0	0.00	4	6.90
Channel catfish	-	-	-	-	1	-	0	0.00	1	1.72
Emerald shiner	6	9	-	-	-	-	15	100.00	0	0.00
Flathead catfish	-	-	-	-	1	-	0	0.00	1	1.72
Freshwater drum	-	-	-	-	-	-	0	0.00	0	0.00
Gizzard shad	-	-	-	-	-	-	0	0.00	0	0.00
Golden redhorse sucker	-	-	1	1	2	-	0	0.00	4	6.90
Longnose gar	-	-	-	-	3	-	0	0.00	3	5.17
Mooneye	-	-	-	-	1	-	0	0.00	1	1.72
Quillback	-	-	2	-	1	-	0	0.00	3	5.17
River carpsucker	-	-	-	-	-	-	0	0.00	0	0.00
Sauger	-	-	4	3	2	2	0	0.00	11	18.97
Shorthead redhorse sucker	-	-	7	4	1	-	0	0.00	12	20.69
Silver redhorse	-	-	-	-	-	-	0	0.00	0	0.00
Smallmouth bass	-	-	2	1	3	-	0	0.00	6	10.34
Spotfin shiner	-	-	-	-	-	-	0	0.00	0	0.00
Spotted bass	-	-	-	1	-	-	0	0.00	1	1.72
Walleye	-	-	1	-	1	1	0	0.00	3	5.17
White bass	-	-	-	1	1	1	0	0.00	3	5.17
<b>Total</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>100.00</b>	<b>58</b>	<b>100.00</b>

\* Gear = (E) Fish captured by electrofishing; (S) captured by seining

**TABLE 5.15**

**ESTIMATED NUMBER OF FISH OBSERVED \* DURING  
ELECTROFISHING OPERATIONS, 2009**

<b>Common Name</b>	<b>May</b>	<b>July</b>	<b>Sept/Oct</b>	<b>Nov</b>	<b>Total</b>
Unidentified redhorse suckers	5	6		3	14
Walleye/Sauger				1	1
Longnose gar		1		2	3
Smallmouth buffalo	1				1
Gizzard shad		100s	10s		100s
Unidentified black bass				2	2
<b>Total</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>100s</b>	<b>10s</b>	<b>8</b>	

\* = Not boated or handled

Table 5.16

**CATCH PER UNIT EFFORT (CPUE AS FISH/ELECTROFISHING MINUTE)  
BY SEASON DURING THE BVPS 2006 FISHERIES SURVEY**

<b>Season</b>	<b>Effort (min)</b>	<b>Common Name</b>	<b>Number Collected</b>	<b>CPUE (fish/min)</b>
Spring	41	Black buffalo	10	0.2439
		Black crappie	1	0.0244
		Gizzard shad	9	0.2195
		Golden redhorse sucker	19	0.4634
		Quillback	2	0.0488
		Sauger	17	0.4146
		Shorthead redhorse sucker	16	0.3902
		Skipjack herring	1	0.0244
		Smallmouth bass	11	0.2683
		Spotted bass	5	0.1220
		Striped bass x White bass	1	0.0244
		Walleye	10	0.2439
		White bass	15	0.3659
		Season Total	117	2.8537
<b>Season</b>	<b>Effort (min)</b>	<b>Common Name</b>	<b>Number Collected</b>	<b>CPUE (fish/min)</b>
Summer	40	Black buffalo	2	0.0500
		Black crappie	1	0.0250
		Gizzard shad	3	0.0750
		Golden redhorse sucker	4	0.1000
		Longnose gar	2	0.0500
		Shorthead redhorse sucker	12	0.3000
		Silver redhorse	1	0.0250
		Smallmouth bass	3	0.0750
		Season Total	28	0.7000

Table 5.16 (continued)

**CATCH PER UNIT EFFORT (CPUE AS FISH/ELECTROFISHING MINUTE)  
BY SEASON DURING THE BVPS 2006 FISHERIES SURVEY**

<b>Season</b>	<b>Effort (min)</b>	<b>Common Name</b>	<b>Number Collected</b>	<b>CPUE (fish/min)</b>
Fall	40	Black buffalo	3	0.0732
		Bluegill	1	0.0244
		Carp	3	0.0732
		Gizzard shad	5	0.1220
		Golden redhorse sucker	2	0.0488
		Longnose gar	4	0.0976
		Mooneye	1	0.0244
		Quillback	2	0.0488
		Sauger	5	0.1220
		Shorthead redhorse sucker	14	0.3415
		Silver redhorse	1	0.0244
		Smallmouth bass	2	0.0488
		Spotted bass	1	0.0244
		White bass	1	0.0244
		Season Total	45	1.1250
<b>Season</b>	<b>Effort (min)</b>	<b>Common Name</b>	<b>Number Collected</b>	<b>CPUE (fish/min)</b>
Winter	40	Black buffalo	18	0.4500
		Carp	1	0.0250
		Channel catfish	1	0.0250
		Flathead catfish	1	0.0250
		Freshwater drum	4	0.1000
		Gizzard shad	18	0.4500
		Golden redhorse sucker	2	0.0500
		Mooneye	3	0.0750
		Quillback	6	0.1500
		River carpsucker	1	0.0250
		Shorthead redhorse sucker	11	0.2750
		Walleye	1	0.0250
		White bass	1	0.0250
		Season Total	68	1.7000
	161		258	1.6025

Table 5.17

CATCH PER UNIT EFFORT (CPUE AS FISH/ELECTROFISHING MINUTE)  
BY SEASON DURING THE BVPS 2007 FISHERIES SURVEY

Season	Effort (min)	Common Name	Count of species	CPUE (fish/min)
Spring	41	Smallmouth buffalo	5	0.122
		Black crappie	1	0.024
		Bluegill	1	0.024
		Gizzard shad	3	0.073
		Golden redhorse sucker	16	0.390
		Longnose gar	1	0.024
		Northern hog sucker	1	0.024
		Rock bass	1	0.024
		Sauger	6	0.146
		Shorthead redhorse sucker	7	0.171
		Silver redhorse	3	0.073
		Smallmouth bass	2	0.049
		Spotted bass	2	0.049
		White bass	1	0.024
		Season Total	50	1.220
Season	Effort (min)	Common Name	Count of species	CPUE (fish/min)
Summer	41	Smallmouth buffalo	5	0.1220
		Carp	5	0.1220
		Flathead catfish	1	0.0244
		Gizzard shad	12	0.2927
		Mooneye	1	0.0244
		Quillback	1	0.0244
		Sauger	1	0.0244
		Shorthead redhorse sucker	3	0.0732
		Silver redhorse	1	0.0244
		Smallmouth bass	4	0.0976
		Spotted bass	2	0.0488
		Walleye	1	0.0244
		Season Total	37	0.9024

**Table 5.17 (Cont'd)**  
**CATCH PER UNIT EFFORT (CPUE AS FISH/ELECTROFISHING MINUTE)**  
**BY SEASON DURING THE BVPS 2007 FISHERIES SURVEY**

<b>Season</b>	<b>Effort (min)</b>	<b>Common Name</b>	<b>Number Collected</b>	<b>CPUE (fish/min)</b>
Fall	40.00	Smallmouth buffalo	7	0.1707
		Bluegill	1	0.0244
		Channel catfish	2	0.0488
		Flathead catfish	1	0.0244
		Freshwater drum	2	0.0488
		Gizzard shad	1	0.0244
		Golden redhorse sucker	1	0.0244
		Log perch	1	0.0244
		Longnose gar	5	0.1220
		Sauger	2	0.0488
		Shorthead redhorse sucker	3	0.0732
		Silver redhorse	1	0.0244
		Smallmouth bass	7	0.1707
		White bass	1	0.0244
		Season Total	35	0.8537
Winter	40.00	Smallmouth buffalo	6	0.1463
		Bluegill	1	0.0244
		Carp	1	0.0244
		Gizzard shad	2	0.0488
		Golden redhorse sucker	4	0.0976
		Longnose gar	1	0.0244
		Mooneye	1	0.0244
		Quillback	1	0.0244
		River carpsucker	1	0.0244
		Sauger	13	0.3171
		Shorthead redhorse sucker	12	0.2927
		Smallmouth bass	13	0.3171
		Spotted bass	7	0.1707
		Walleye	2	0.0488
		White bass	2	0.0488
		Season Total	67	1.6341
	162.00		189	1.1667

**Table 5.18**

**CATCH PER UNIT EFFORT (CPUE AS FISH/ELECTROFISHING MINUTE)  
BY SEASON DURING THE BVPS 2008 FISHERIES SURVEY**

<b>Season</b>	<b>Effort (min)</b>	<b>Common Name</b>	<b>Number Collected</b>	<b>CPUE (fish/min)</b>
Spring	40.5	Smallmouth buffalo	6	0.1481
		Bluegill	1	0.0247
		Carp	1	0.0247
		Channel catfish	10	0.2469
		Freshwater drum	2	0.0494
		Golden redhorse sucker	18	0.4444
		Quillback	9	0.2222
		Rock bass	1	0.0247
		Sauger	51	1.2593
		Shorthead redhorse sucker	40	0.9877
		Silver redhorse	11	0.2716
		Smallmouth bass	18	0.4444
		Spotted bass	4	0.0988
		Walleye	12	0.2963
		Season Total	184	4.5432
<b>Season</b>	<b>Effort (min)</b>	<b>Common Name</b>	<b>Number Collected</b>	<b>CPUE (fish/min)</b>
Summer	41	Smallmouth buffalo	5	0.1220
		Bluegill	1	0.0244
		Flathead catfish	1	0.0244
		Freshwater drum	4	0.0976
		Gizzard shad	4	0.0976
		Longnose gar	3	0.0732
		Quillback	1	0.0244
		Sauger	2	0.0488
		Shorthead redhorse sucker	2	0.0488
		Smallmouth bass	4	0.0976
		Spotted bass	1	0.0244
		Season Total	28	0.6829



Table 5.18 (continued)

**CATCH PER UNIT EFFORT (CPUE AS FISH/ELECTROFISHING MINUTE)  
BY SEASON DURING THE BVPS 2008 FISHERIES SURVEY**

<b>Season</b>	<b>Effort (min)</b>	<b>Common Name</b>	<b>Number Collected</b>	<b>CPUE (fish/min)</b>
Fall	41	Smallmouth buffalo	2	0.0488
		Carp	1	0.0244
		Channel catfish	2	0.0488
		Freshwater drum	1	0.0244
		Gizzard shad	17	0.4146
		Golden redhorse sucker	3	0.0732
		Mooneye	1	0.0244
		Northern hog sucker	0	0.0000
		Quillback	4	0.0976
		Sauger	2	0.0488
		Shorthead redhorse sucker	7	0.1707
		Silver redhorse	1	0.0244
		Smallmouth bass	9	0.2195
		Spotted bass	1	0.0244
		White bass	1	0.0244
		Season Total	52	1.2683
<b>Season</b>	<b>Effort (min)</b>	<b>Common Name</b>	<b>Number Collected</b>	<b>CPUE (fish/min)</b>
Winter	40.4	Smallmouth buffalo	3	0.0743
		Bluegill	2	0.0495
		Carp	0	0.0000
		Gizzard shad	3	0.0743
		Golden redhorse sucker	9	0.2228
		Largemouth bass	1	0.0248
		Longnose gar	2	0.0495
		Quillback	2	0.0495
		River carpsucker	1	0.0248
		Sauger	10	0.2475
		Shorthead redhorse sucker	15	0.3713
		Silver redhorse	1	0.0248
		Smallmouth bass	4	0.0990
		Spotted bass	4	0.0990
		White bass	1	0.0248
		Season Total	58	1.4356
	163		322	1.9767

Table 5.19

**CATCH PER UNIT EFFORT (CPUE AS FISH/ELECTROFISHING MINUTE)  
BY SEASON DURING THE BVPS 2009 FISHERIES SURVEY**

Season	Effort (min)	Common Name	Number Collected	CPUE (fish/min)
Spring	40.3	Smallmouth buffalo	7	0.1737
		Flathead catfish	1	0.0248
		Freshwater drum	1	0.0248
		Gizzard shad	2	0.0496
		Golden redhorse sucker	8	0.1985
		Longnose gar	4	0.0993
		Quillback	5	0.1241
		River carpsucker	2	0.0496
		Shorthead redhorse sucker	15	0.3722
		Silver redhorse	1	0.0248
		Smallmouth bass	9	0.2233
		Spotted bass	1	0.0248
		Walleye	1	0.0248
		White bass	1	0.0248
		Season Total	58	1.4392
Season	Effort (min)	Common Name	Number Collected	CPUE (fish/min)
Summer	40	Smallmouth buffalo	4	0.1000
		Carp	3	0.0750
		Channel catfish	1	0.0250
		Gizzard shad	2	0.0500
		Golden redhorse sucker	1	0.0250
		Mooneye	2	0.0500
		Quillback	3	0.0750
		Sauger	6	0.1500
		Shorthead redhorse sucker	13	0.3250
		Smallmouth bass	2	0.0500
		Spotted bass	2	0.0500
		Season Total	39	0.9750

**Table 5.19 (continued)**

**CATCH PER UNIT EFFORT (CPUE AS FISH/ELECTROFISHING MINUTE)  
BY SEASON DURING THE BVPS 2009 FISHERIES SURVEY**

<b>Season</b>	<b>Effort (min)</b>	<b>Common Name</b>	<b>Number Collected</b>	<b>CPUE (fish/min)</b>
Fall	40.5	Smallmouth buffalo	1	0.0247
		Black crappie	1	0.0247
		Bluegill	3	0.0741
		Carp	3	0.0741
		Gizzard shad	1	0.0247
		Golden redhorse sucker	6	0.1481
		Quillback	1	0.0247
		Sauger	13	0.3210
		Shorthead redhorse sucker	4	0.0988
		Silver redhorse	1	0.0247
		Smallmouth bass	3	0.0741
		Spotted bass	4	0.0988
		White bass	8	0.1975
		Season Total	49	1.2099
<b>Season</b>	<b>Effort (min)</b>	<b>Common Name</b>	<b>Number Collected</b>	<b>CPUE (fish/min)</b>
Winter	40	Smallmouth buffalo	5	0.1250
		Carp	4	0.1000
		Channel catfish	1	0.0250
		Flathead catfish	1	0.0250
		Golden redhorse sucker	4	0.1000
		Longnose gar	3	0.0750
		Mooneye	1	0.0250
		Quillback	3	0.0750
		Sauger	11	0.2750
		Shorthead redhorse sucker	12	0.3000
		Smallmouth bass	6	0.1500
		Spotted bass	1	0.0250
		Walleye	3	0.0750
		White bass	3	0.0750
		Season Total	58	1.4500
	161		204	1.2687

TABLE 5.20

**UNIT 1 COOLING RESERVOIR MONTHLY SAMPLING**  
**CORBICULA DENSITY DATA FOR**  
**2009 FROM BVPS**

Collection Date	Area Sampled (sq ft)	Live or Dead	Count	Maximum Length Range (mm)	Minimum Length Range(mm)	Estimated Number (per sq m)
3/25/2009	0.25	Dead	0	-	-	0
		Live	1	0.001-0.99	0.001-0.99	43
4/28/2009*	0.25	Dead	-	-	-	-
		Live	-	-	-	-
5/21/2009	0.25	Dead	0	-	-	0
		Live	1	2.00-3.34	2.00-3.34	43
6/18/2009	0.25	Dead	0	-	-	0
		Live	0	-	-	0
7/7/2009	0.25	Dead	0	-	-	0
		Live	0	-	-	0
8/13/2009	0.25	Dead	0	-	-	0
		Live	0	-	-	0
9/17/2009	0.25	Dead	0	-	-	0
		Live	0	-	-	0
10/6/2009	0.25	Dead	0	-	-	0
		Live	0	-	-	0
11/10/2009	0.25	Dead	0	-	-	0
		Live	0	-	-	0
Unit summary		Dead	0	-	-	0
		Live	2	2.00-3.34	0.001-0.99	11

\*Not sampled due to unit shutdown

TABLE 5.21

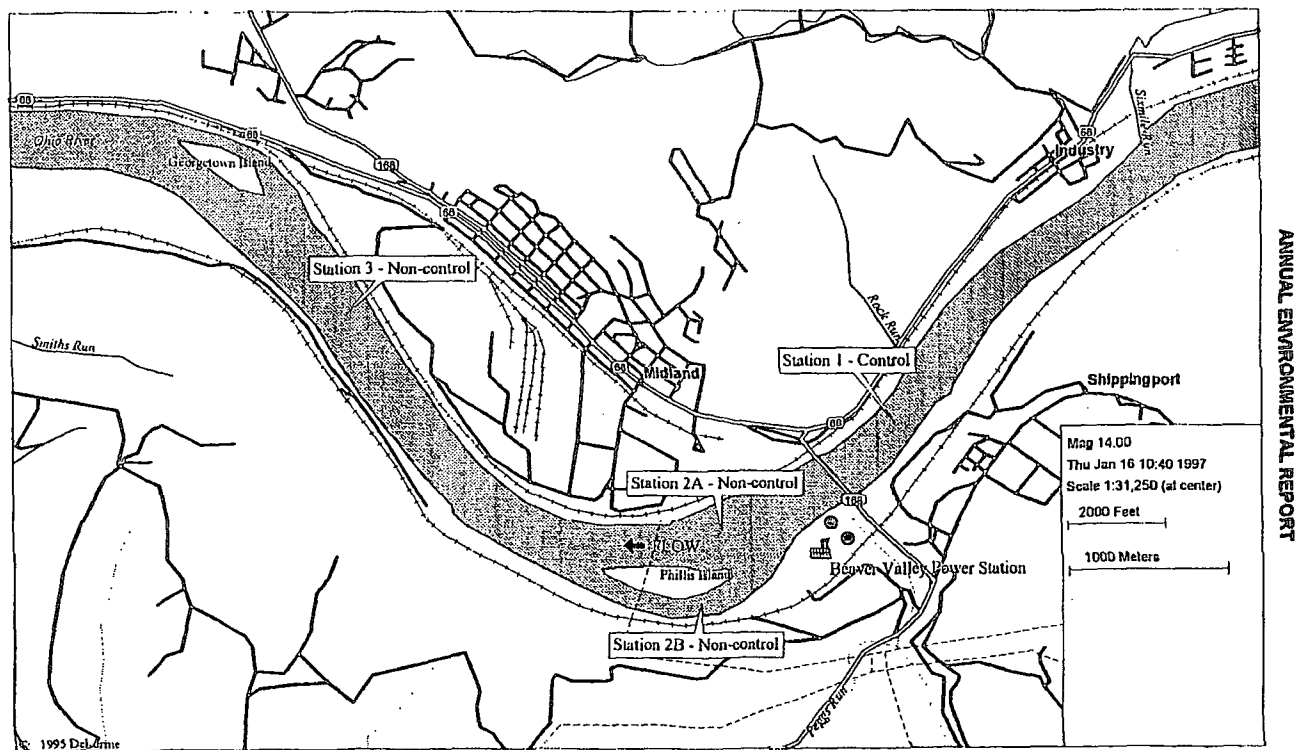
**UNIT 2 COOLING RESERVOIR MONTHLY SAMPLING**  
**CORBICULA DENSITY DATA FOR**  
**2009 FROM BVPS**

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3/25/2009	0.25	Dead	0	---	---	0
		Live	0	---	---	0
4/28/2009	0.25	Dead	0	---	---	0
		Live	0	---	---	0
5/21/2009	0.25	Dead	0	---	---	0
		Live	0	---	---	0
6/18/2009	0.25	Dead	0	---	---	0
		Live	0	---	---	0
7/7/2009	0.25	Dead	0	---	---	0
		Live	0	---	---	0
8/13/2009	0.25	Dead	0	---	---	0
		Live	0	---	---	0
9/17/2009	0.25	Dead	0	---	---	0
		Live	0	---	---	0
10/6/2009	0.25	Dead	0	---	---	0
		Live	0	---	---	0
11/10/2009*	0.25	Dead	---	---	---	---
		Live	---	---	---	---
Unit summary		Dead	0	---	---	0
		Live	0	---	---	0

\*Not sampled due to unit shutdown

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# **FIGURES**



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**Figure 5.1** 2009 Beaver Valley Power Station Aquatic Monitoring Program Sampling Control and Non-Control Sampling Stations

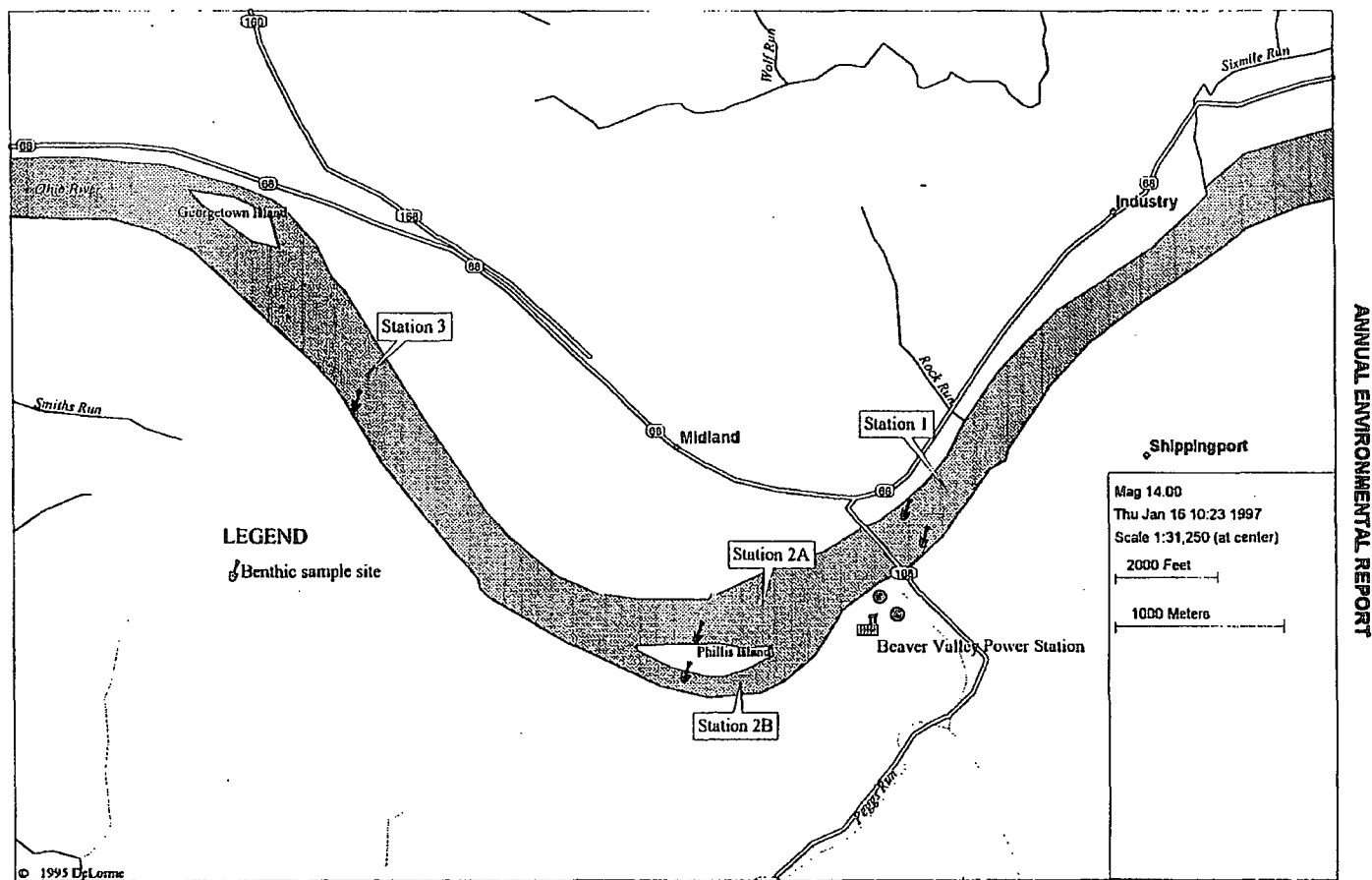
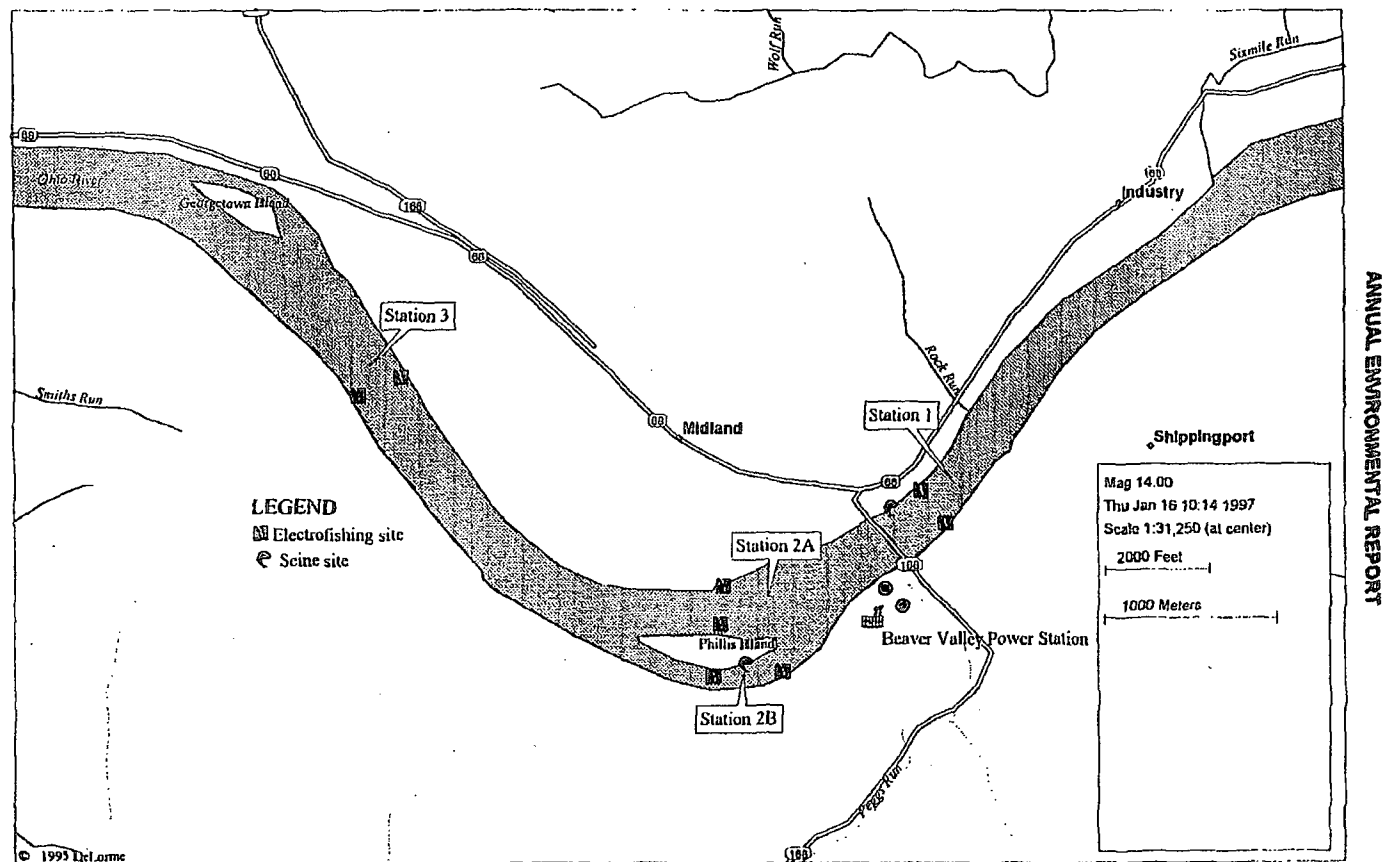


Figure 5.2 Location Map for Beaver Valley Power Station Benthic Organism Survey Sampling Sites for the 2009 Study





**Figure 5.3** Location Map for Beaver Valley Power Station Fish Population Survey Fish Sampling Sites for the 2009 Study

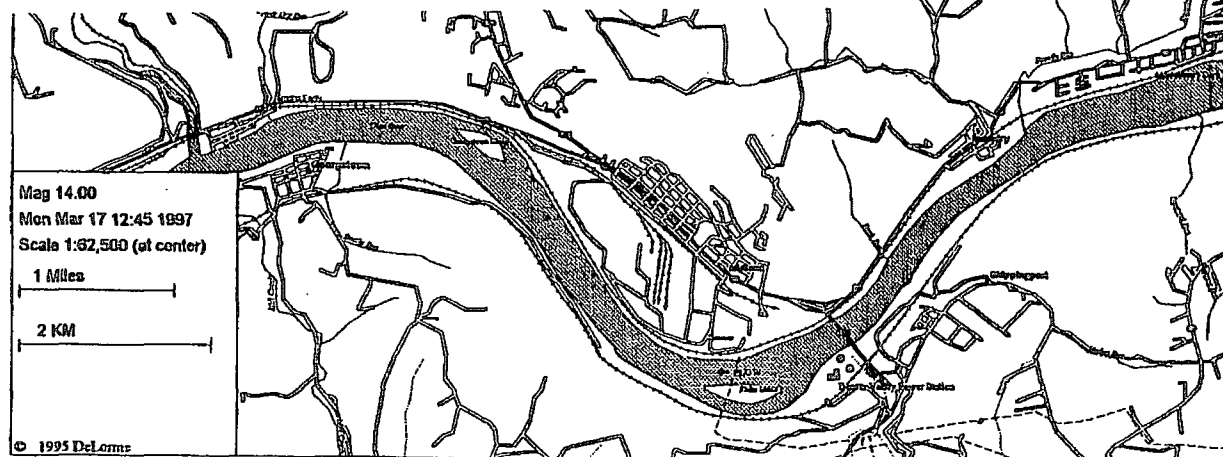
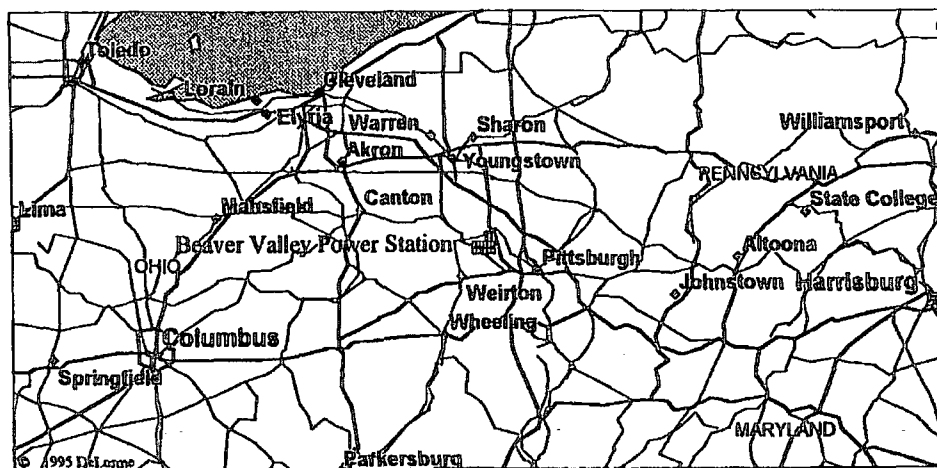


Figure 5.4 Location of Study Area, Beaver Valley Power Station Shippingport, Pennsylvania BVPS

Comparison of live Corbicula clam density estimates among 2009  
BVPS Unit 1 cooling tower reservoir events, for various clam shell groups.

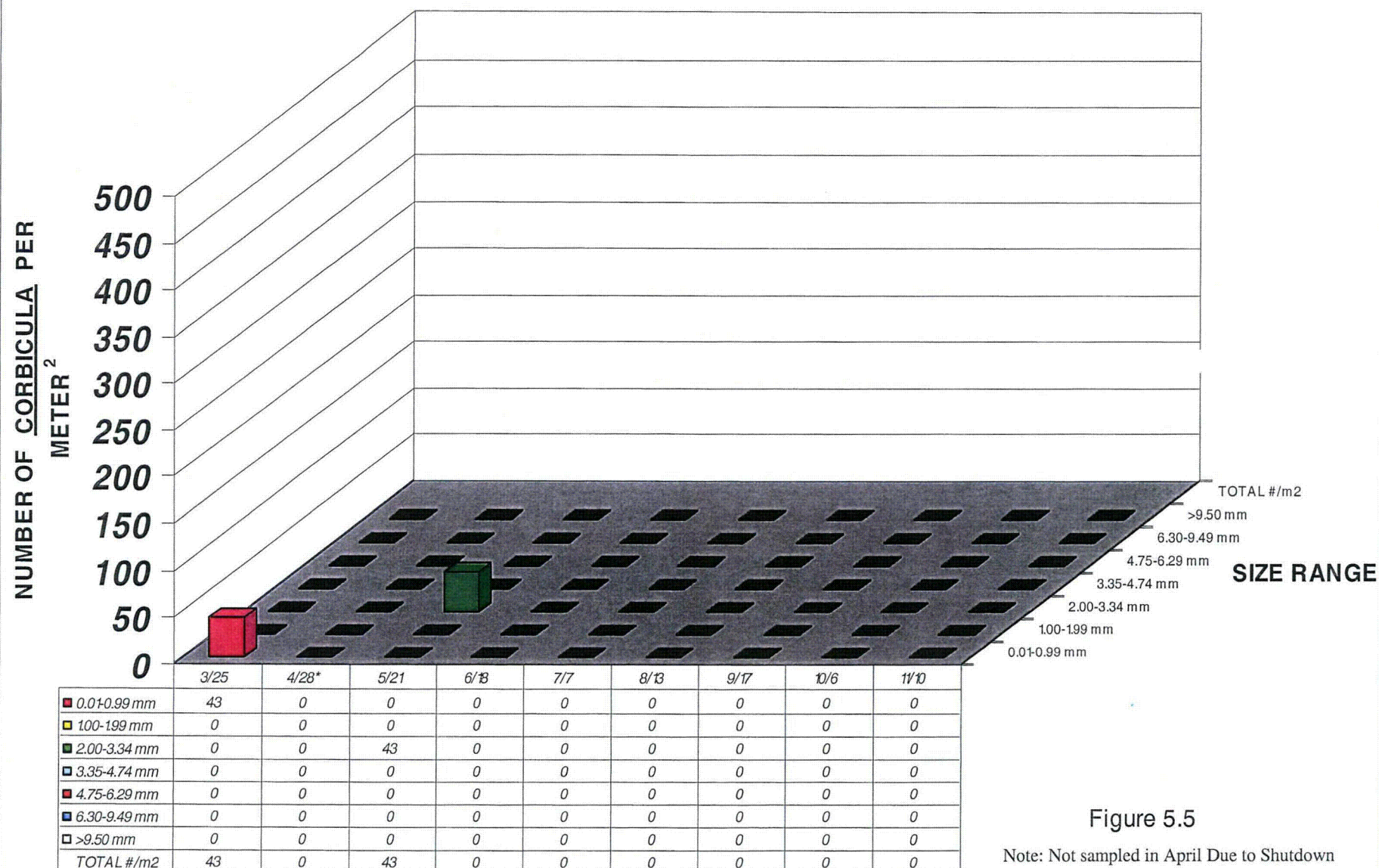


Figure 5.5

Note: Not sampled in April Due to Shutdown

Comparison of live Corbicula clam density estimates among 2009 BVPS Unit 2 cooling tower reservoir events, for various clam shell groups.

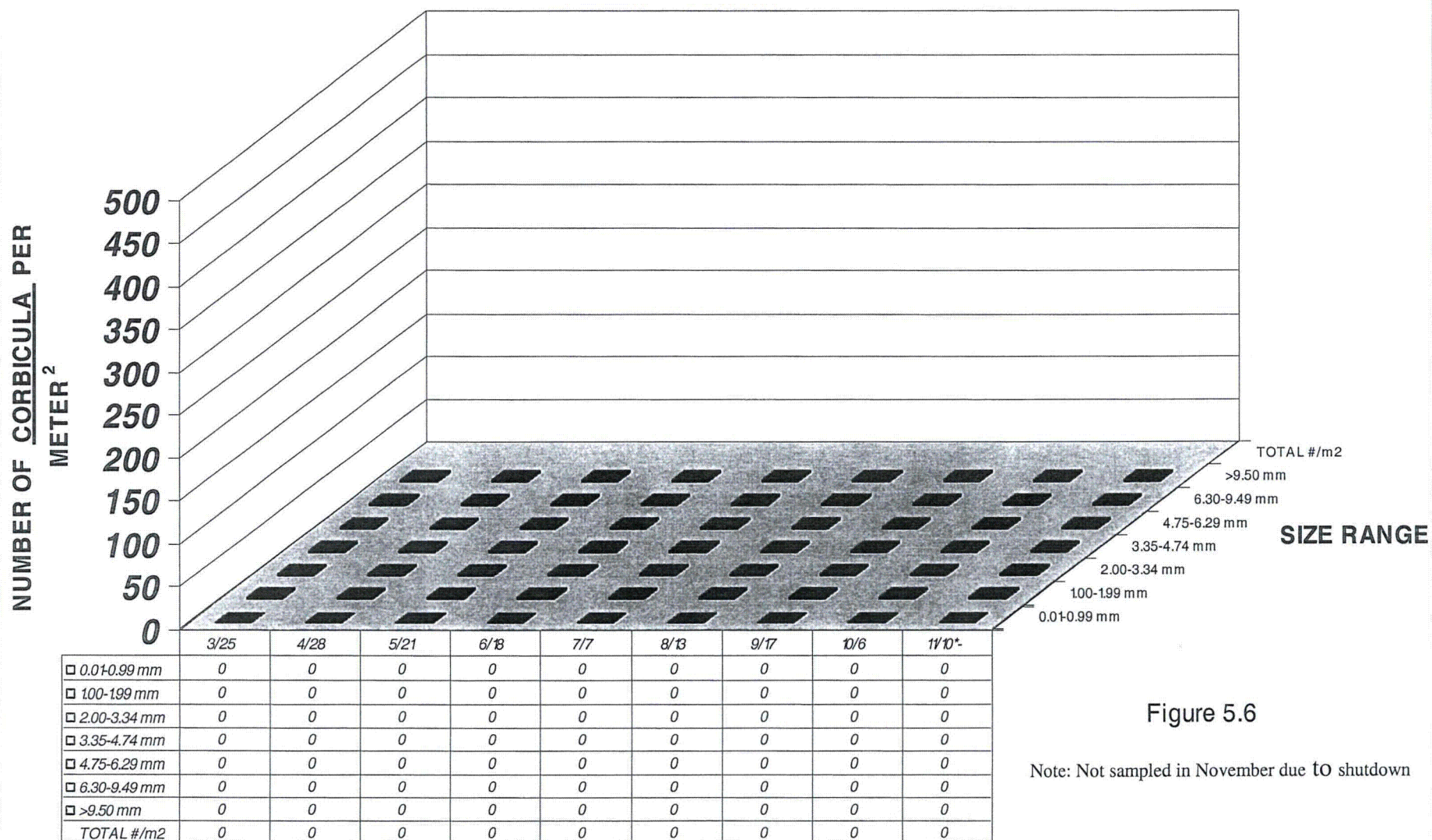
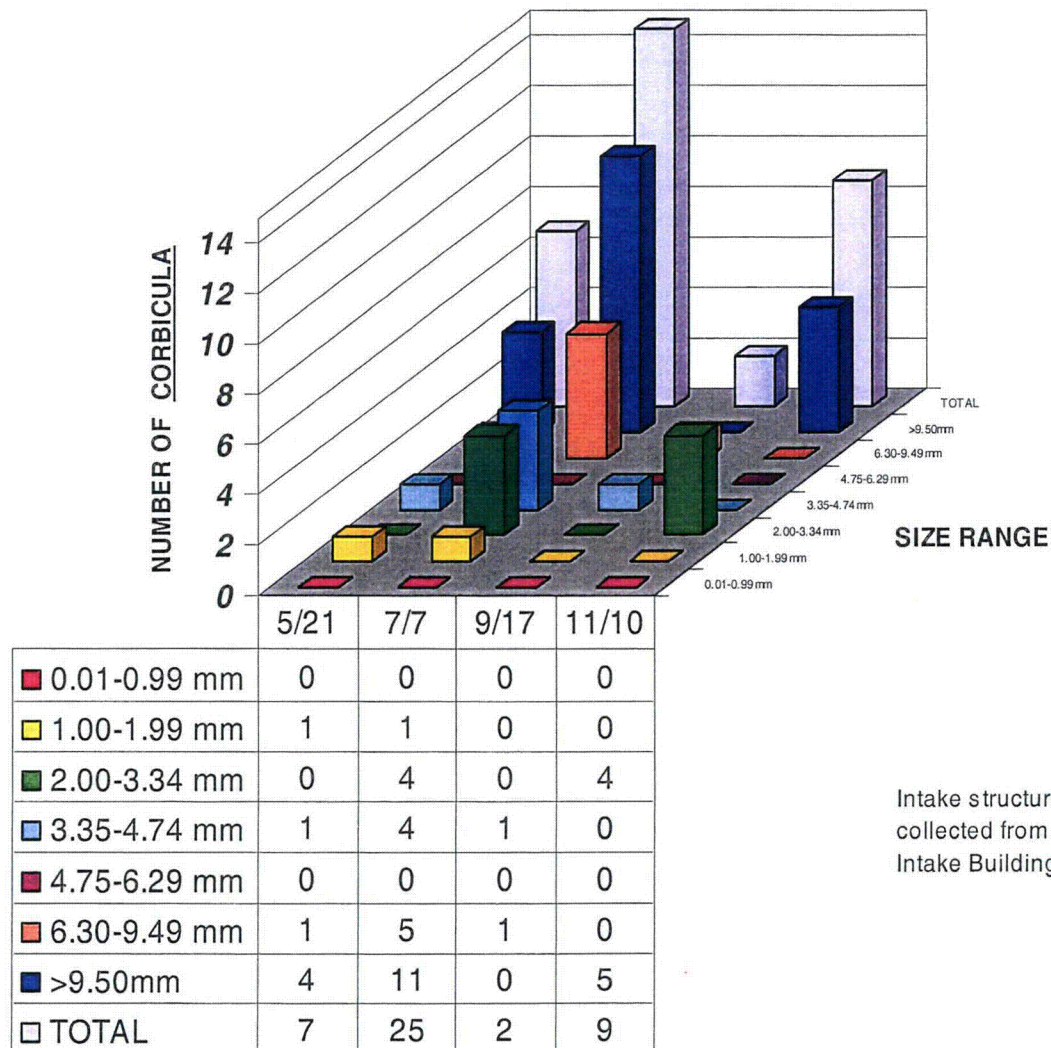


Figure 5.6

Note: Not sampled in November due to shutdown



Comparison of live Corbicula clam density estimates among 2009 BVPS Intake Structure sample events, for various clam shell groups.



Intake structure bottom samples are collected from the Ohio River at the Intake Building.

Figure 5.7

**Water Temperature and River Elevation Recorded at the Ohio River at BVPS Intake Structure During 2009 on Monthly Sample Dates.**

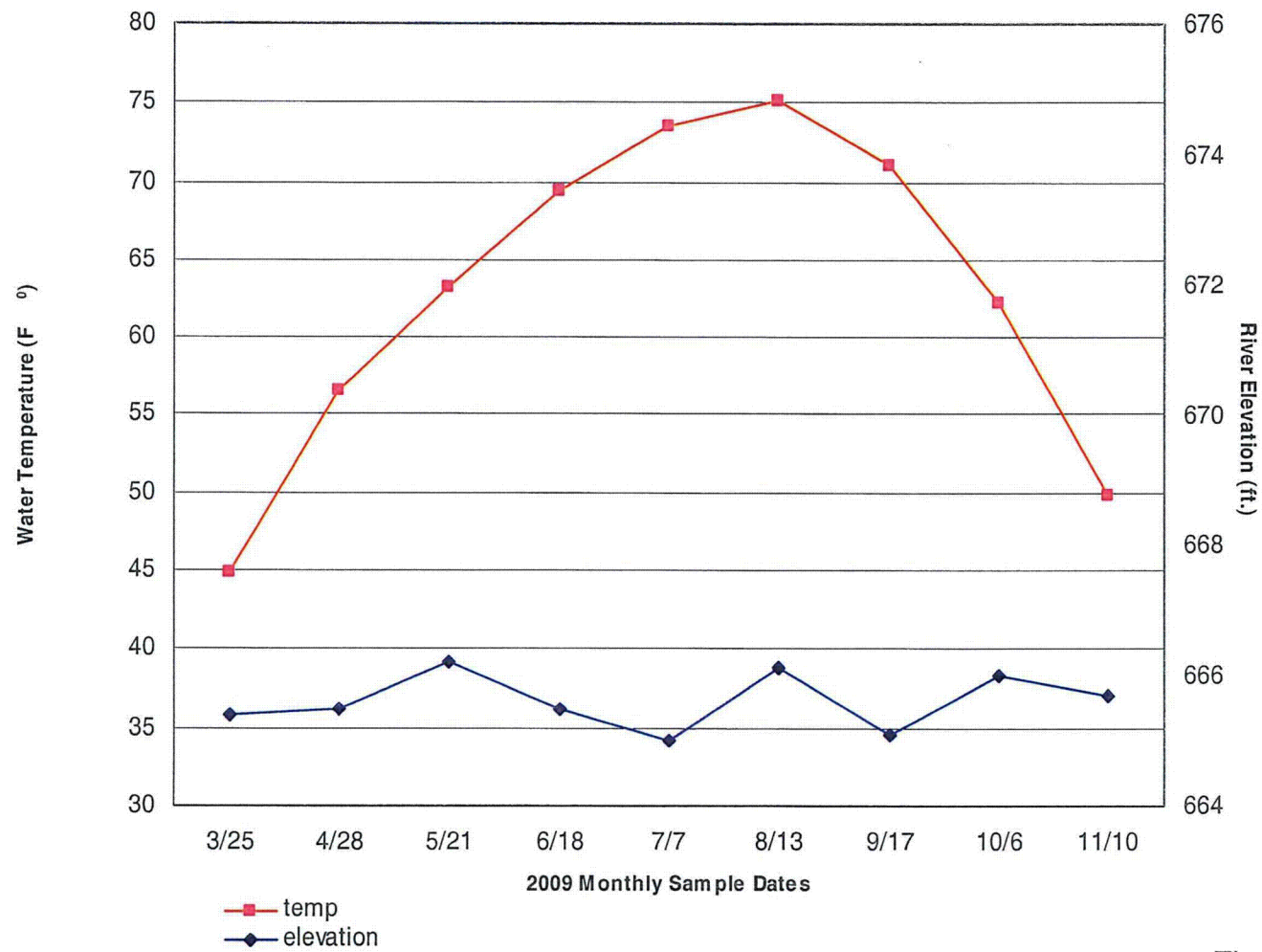
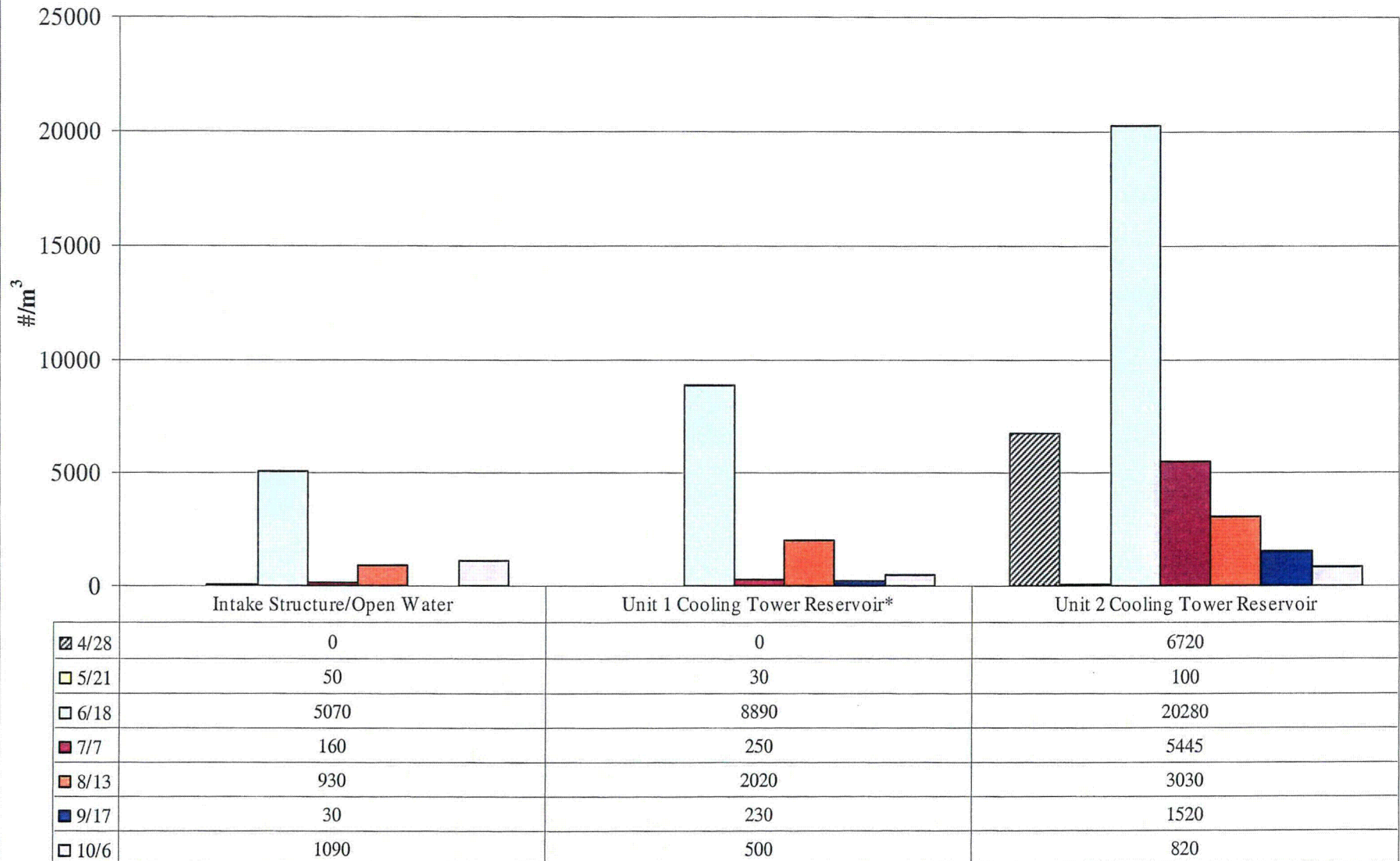


Figure 5.8

# Density of zebra mussel veiligers collected at Beaver Valley Power Station, 2009

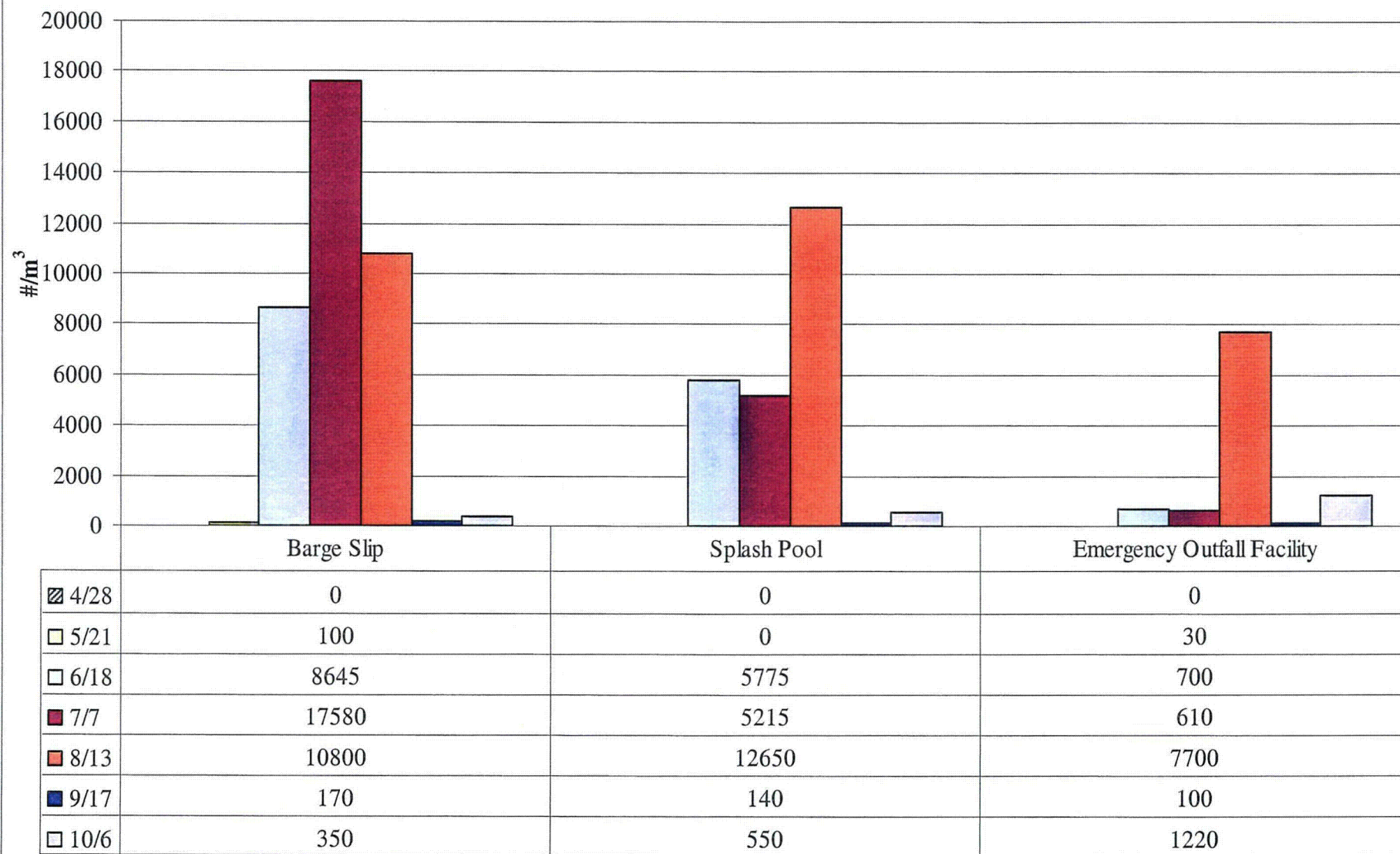
\*Unit 1 Not Sampled in April Due to Shutdown



Sample location

Figure 5.9

Density of zebra mussel veligers collected at Beaver Valley Power Station, 2009



Sample location

Figure 5.10



# Density of settled zebra mussels at Beaver Valley Power Station, 2009

Note: Unit 1 Cooling Tower Not Sampled in April Due to Shutdown

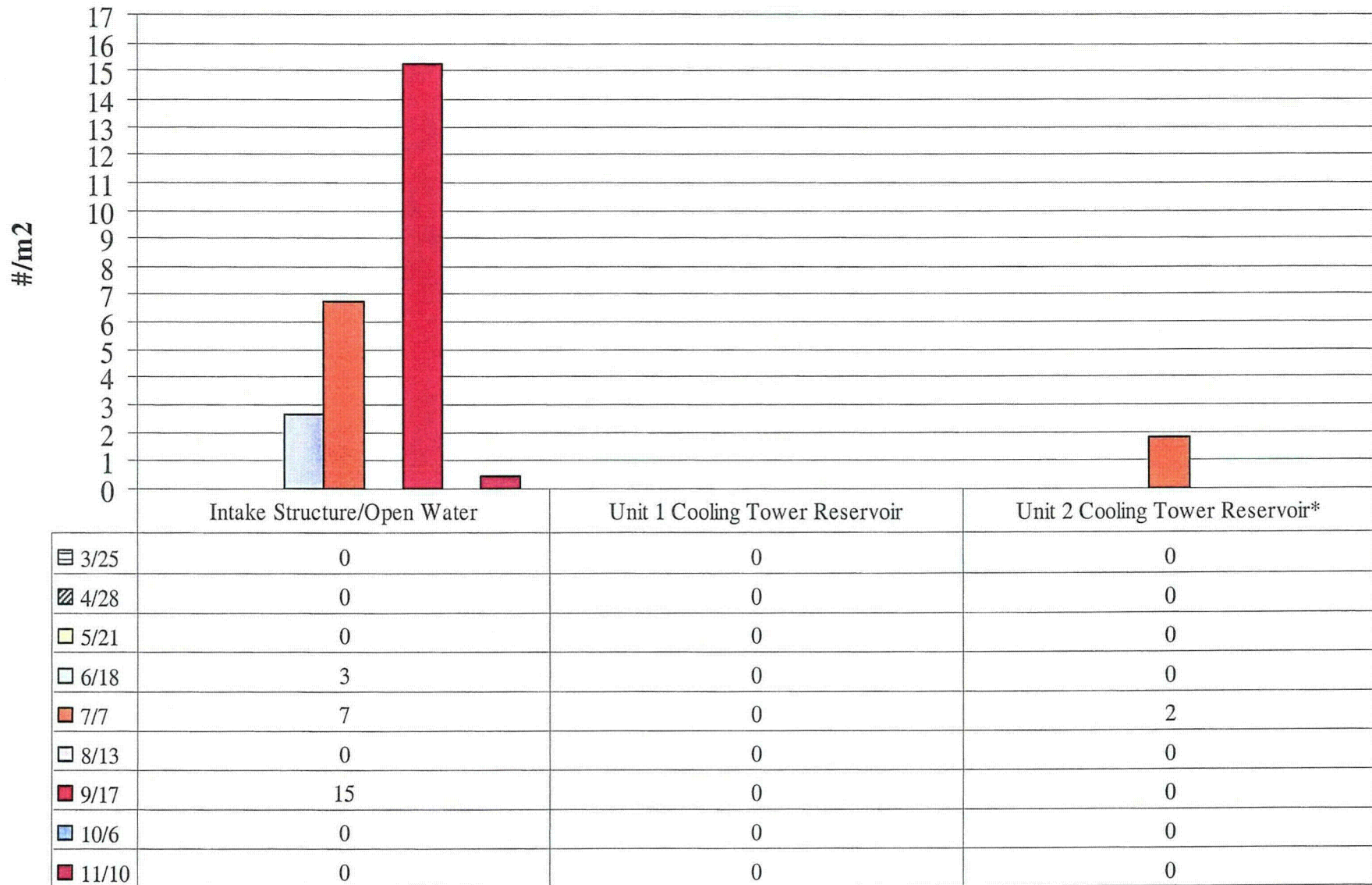


Figure 5.11

Density of settled zebra mussels at Beaver Valley Power Station, 2009

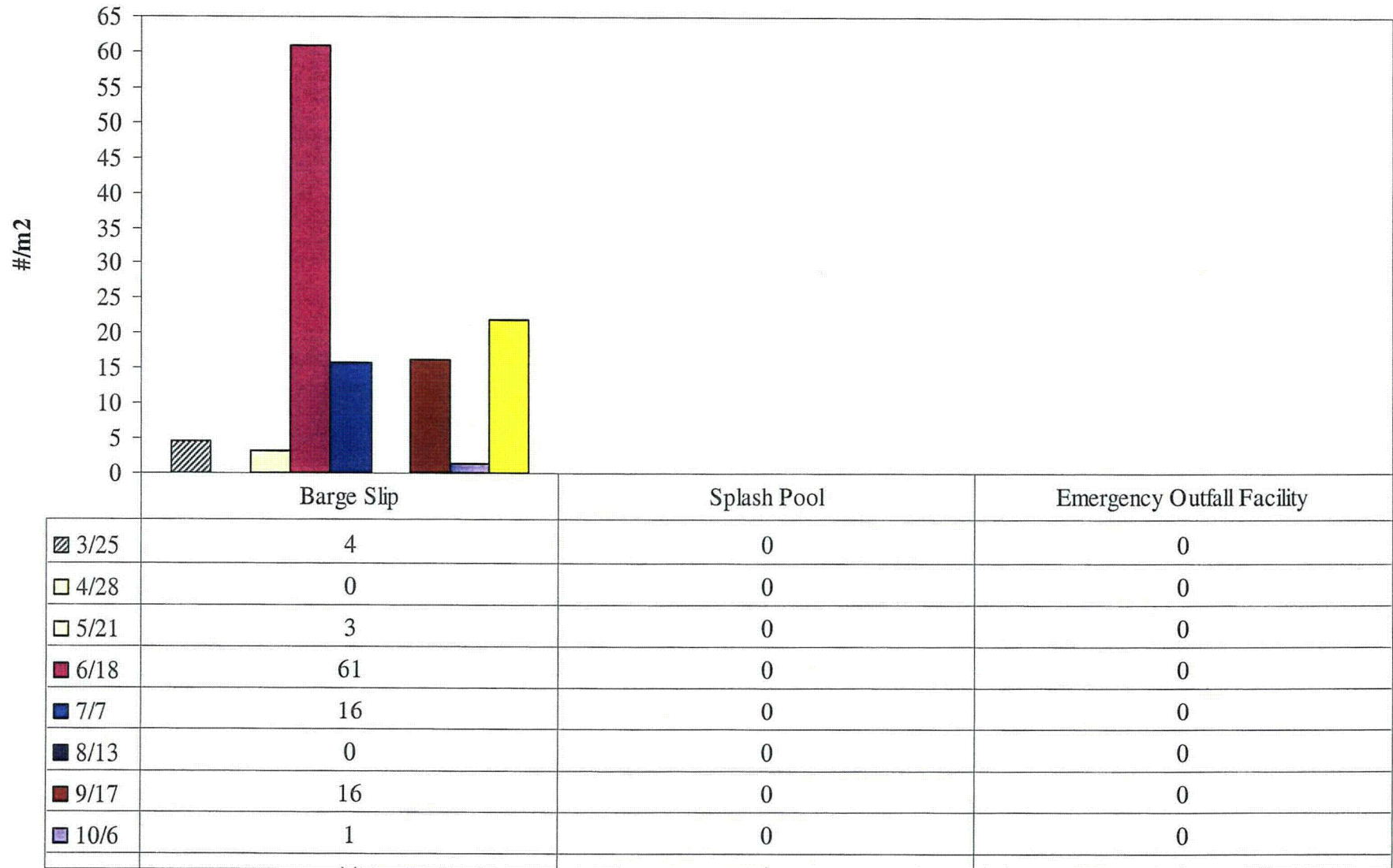


Figure 5.12

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**PERMITS**

**Attachment 10.1: PERMITS & CERTIFICATES FOR ENVIRONMENTAL COMPLIANCE**

<b>Registration Number</b>	<b>Regulator/Description</b>	<b>Expiration</b>
PAR000040485	BVPS EPA generator identification Resource Conservation & Recovery Act (RCRA) Identification number for regulated waste activity. Also used by PA DEP to monitor regulated waste activity under the Pennsylvania Solid Waste Management Act (SWMA).	Indefinite
04-02474	BVPS EPA Facility Identification Number for CERCLA/EPCRA/SARA. Used for SARA Tier II reporting and emergency planning.	Indefinite
04-02475	FE Long Term Distribution Center/Warehouse (22) EPA Facility Identification Number for CERCLA/EPCRA/SARA. Used for SARA Tier II reporting and emergency planning.	Indefinite
PA0025615	BVPS NPDES Permit number under US EPA and PA DEP.	12/27/2006 <i>Continued pending approval of renewal application.</i>
04-13281	BVPS Unit 1 PA DEP Facility Identification & certificate number for regulated storage tanks.	Indefinite
04-13361	BVPS Unit 2 PA DEP Facility Identification & certificate number for regulated storage tanks.	Indefinite
OP-04-00086	PA DEP State Only Synthetic Minor Permit for emergency auxiliary boilers, emergency diesel generators, paint shop and other miscellaneous sources..	10/12/2012
N/A	PA DEP Open Burning Permit for operation of the BVPS Fire School- annual application and renewal	12/31/2010
042009 450 002RT	US Department of Transportation Hazardous Materials Registration	06/30/2012
200100242	US Army Permit for maintenance dredging (With Encroachment/Submerged Lands Agreement #0477705, this allows maintenance dredging.).	12/31/2011
0477705	Encroachment Permit/Submerged Lands Agreement for construction and maintenance of current barge slip. (With US Army Permit #200100242, this allows maintenance dredging.)	Indefinite
06786A	Encroachment Permit/Submerged Lands Agreement for transmission line over Ohio River @ Mile 34.5	Indefinite
18737	Encroachment Permit/Submerged Lands Agreement for Unit 1 intake and discharge (main combined intake and outfall structures)	Indefinite
0475711	Encroachment Permit/Submerged Lands Agreement for construction and maintenance of Unit 2 auxiliary intake	Indefinite
<b>- End Table -</b>		

## APPENDIX A

### SCIENTIFIC AND COMMON NAME<sup>1</sup> OF FISH COLLECTED IN THE NEW CUMBERLAND POOL OF THE OHIO RIVER, 1970 THROUGH 2009 BVPS

<sup>1</sup>Nomenclature follows Robins, et al. (1991)

<u>Family and Scientific Name</u>	<u>Common Name</u>
Lepisosteidae (gars) <i>Lepisosteus osseus</i>	Longnose gar
Hiodontidae (mooneyes) <i>Hiodon alosoides</i> <i>H. tergisus</i>	Goldeye Mooneye
Clupeidae (herrings) <i>Alosa chrysochloris</i> <i>A. pseudoharengus</i> <i>Dorosoma cepedianum</i>	Skipjack herring Alewife Gizzard shad
Cyprinidae (carps and minnows) <i>Campostoma anomalum</i> <i>Carassius auratus</i> <i>Ctenopharyngodon idella</i> <i>Notropis spilopterus</i> <i>Cyprinus carpio</i> <i>C. carpio</i> x <i>C. auratus</i> <i>Luxilus chrysocephalus</i> <i>Macrhybopsis storeriana</i> <i>Nocomis micropogon</i> <i>Notemigonus crysoleucas</i> <i>Notropis atherinoides</i> <i>N. buccatus</i> <i>N. hudsonius</i> <i>N. rubellus</i> <i>N. stramineus</i> <i>N. volucellus</i> <i>Pimephales notatus</i> <i>P. promelas</i> <i>Rhinichthys atratulus</i> <i>Semotilus atromaculatus</i>	Central stoneroller Goldfish Grass carp Spotfin shiner Common carp Carp-goldfish hybrid Striped shiner Silver chub River chub Golden shiner Emerald shiner Silverjaw minnow Spottail shiner Rosyface shiner Sand shiner Mimic shiner Bluntnose minnow Fathead minnow Blacknose dace Creek chub
Catostomidae (suckers) <i>Carpionodes carpio</i> <i>C. cyprinus</i> <i>C. velifer</i> <i>Catostomus commersonii</i> <i>Hypentelium nigricans</i> <i>Ictiobus bubalus</i> <i>I. niger</i> <i>Minytrema melanops</i>	River carpsucker Quillback Highfin carpsucker White sucker Northern hogsucker Smallmouth buffalo Black buffalo Spotted sucker

**Family and Scientific Name****Common Name**

*Moxostoma anisurum*  
*M. carinatum*  
*M. duquesnei*  
*M. erythrurum*  
*M. macrolepidotum*

Silver redhorse  
 River redhorse  
 Black redhorse  
 Golden redhorse  
 Shorthead redhorse

## Ictaluridae (bullhead catfishes)

*Ameiurus catus*  
*A. furcatus*  
*A. melas*  
*A. natalis*  
*A. nebulosus*  
*Ictalurus punctatus*  
*Noturus flavus*  
*Pylodictis olivaris*

White catfish  
 Blue catfish  
 Black bullhead  
 Yellow bullhead  
 Brown bullhead  
 Channel catfish  
 Stonecat  
 Flathead catfish

## Esocidae (pikes)

*Esox lucius*  
*E. masquinongy*  
*E. lucius* x *E. masquinongy*

Northern pike  
 Muskellunge  
 Tiger muskellunge

## Salmonidae (trouts)

*Oncorhynchus mykiss*

Rainbow trout

## Percopsidae (trout-perches)

*Percopsis omiscomaycus*

Trout-perch

## Cyprinodontidae (killifishes)

*Fundulus diaphanus*

Banded killifish

## Atherinidae (silversides)

*Labidesthes sicculus*

Brook silverside

## Percichthyidae (temperate basses)

*Morone chrysops*  
*M. saxatilis*  
*M. saxatilis* x *M. chrysops*

White bass  
 Striped bass  
 Striped bass hybrid

## Centrarchidae (sunfishes)

*Ambloplites rupestris*  
*Lepomis cyanellus*  
*L. gibbosus*  
*L. macrochirus*  
*L. microlophus*  
*L. gibbosus* x *L. microlophus*  
*Micropterus dolomieu*  
*M. punctulatus*  
*M. salmoides*  
*Pomoxis annularis*  
*P. nigromaculatus*

Rock bass  
 Green sunfish  
 Pumpkinseed  
 Bluegill  
 Redear sunfish  
 Pumpkinseed-redear sunfish hybrid  
 Smallmouth bass  
 Spotted bass  
 Largemouth bass  
 White crappie  
 Black crappie

<u>Family and Scientific Name</u>	<u>Common Name</u>
Percidae (perches)	
<i>Etheostoma blennioides</i>	Greenside darter
<i>E. nigrum</i>	Johnny darter
<i>E. zonale</i>	Banded darter
<i>Perca flavescens</i>	Yellow perch
<i>Percina caprodes</i>	Logperch
<i>P. copelandi</i>	Channel darter
<i>Sander canadense</i>	Sauger
<i>S. vitreum</i>	Walleye
<i>S. canadense</i> x <i>S. vitreum</i>	Saugeye
Sciaenidae (drums)	
<i>Aplodinotus grunniens</i>	Freshwater drum