North Carolina (NOC) NERR Water Quality Metadata January - December 2001 Revised July 1, 2021

- I. Data Set & Research Descriptors
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2) Entry Verification Process:

The data are uploaded using the computer program EcoWatch that accompanies the

YSI 6000 series dataloggers. After the file is uploaded from the water quality

instrument, EcoWatch is used to plot the data and perform basic statistical $\$

analysis (i.e., min., max., mean, std.dev.). This information is printed out

and attached to the Field Log for the particular deployment. This printout is

used during file review to detect any gross outliers such as data taken when the $\ensuremath{\mathsf{E}}$

water quality instrument was removed from the water or those caused by instrument failure. The data are exported as a .csv file and then opened into

a Microsoft Excel file that contains the current month's cumulative recordings.

When a complete month of data has been recorded the file is then reviewed. The

first step is to format the data so that the parameter columns are in the correct order and the data have the correct number of decimal place holders. The

 $\mbox{CDMO}\ 5.0$ Excel macro is used to check for any dates and times that data were not

recorded due to maintenance, battery failure, or other causes. Missing dates and

times are inserted into the file and a period is inserted into the cells where

data would normally be. An explanation for the missing data is recorded onto the

Water Quality Editing Log. Next, the data are filtered using an Excel macro to

find readings outside the instrument measurement range and the "normal" range

for the site in question. Data outside the instrument range are removed from the $\,$

file and a period is inserted into the $\operatorname{cell}(s)$. An explanation for the missing

dates and times are recorded onto the Water Quality Editing Log. Data outside

the "normal" range of water quality for a particular site were investigated for

validity based on weather data, field observations, QC checks, PC6000 printouts,

and instrument diagnostics. If the data are rejected from the file a period is

inserted into the cell(s) and an explanation for the missing dates and times are

recorded onto metadata form. The metadata form is then submitted with the data

file to the CDMO. Tara Nye, Research Biologist, was responsible for data management during 2001.

3) Research Objectives:

Water quality instruments are deployed at the Masonboro Island and Zeke's Island

components of North Carolina's National Estuarine Research Reserve and are

anchored to the bottom of the selected sites. Measurements are taken at 30-

minute intervals for approximately two-week periods. These sites are relatively $% \left(1\right) =\left(1\right) \left(1\right) +\left(1\right) \left(1\right) \left(1\right) +\left(1\right) \left(1\right)$

unimpacted by manmade perturbations and are considered long term monitoring

locations. The goal is to establish long-term water quality monitoring at

relatively unimpacted sites by collecting data for each day of the year.

4) Research Methods:

The Estuarine Water Quality Monitoring Program began on 2 March 1992 at the

Masonboro Island component, and 19 May 1994 at the Zeke's Island component. The

procedures described below were instituted in June 1995 and thus do not cover

data recorded previously. At this time we are only performing long term water

quality monitoring and not a specific experiment.

Before each YSI 6000 is deployed, calibration and maintenance is performed

following the manufacturer's instructions (YSI Manual addendum 7/94, sections

3,4, and 7). Calibration standards are only required for pH, turbidity and

salinity; all other parameters are done as described in the manual. Buffer

solutions for a two-point pH calibration (pH 7 and 10) are purchased premade

from a scientific supply house. The conductivity standard is obtained from ${\tt YSI.}$

The dissolved oxygen membranes are replaced before deployment and are allowed to

settle at least 24 hrs prior to deployment.

During deployment the weather conditions and tide stage are recorded in the

field observation \log . The water quality instrument is placed inside a locked

steel cage, then anchored approximately $10\,\mathrm{cm}$ off the bottom, and chained to a

post at the monitoring site. Every 30 minutes during the sampling period measurements are taken for temperature, specific conductance, salinity, dissolved oxygen saturation, dissolved oxygen concentration, depth, pH, and

turbidity.

At the end of the sample period the water quality instrument is brought back to

the laboratory. The weather and water quality measurements are again noted in

the field observation \log . The calibration drift and the effect of biofouling on

the water quality instrument are checked by comparing data readings in calibration standards. The water quality data are then uploaded, and the instrument is cleaned and calibrated as noted previously.

5) Site Location and Character:

The four components of North Carolina's National Estuarine Research Reserve

(from north to south) are:

Currituck Banks, Rachel Carson, Masonboro Island and Zeke's Island. They are

located along the southeastern coast of the United States in the Atlantic Ocean.

Currently, only data from Masonboro Island and Zeke's Island components are

transferred to the CDMO.

1. Research Creek, Masonboro Island

The Masonboro Island site is 0.72 km north east from the mouth of Whiskey Creek, and east of the Intracoastal Waterway (ICW), in a small navigable channel

called Research Creek at 34° 09'21.7" latitude and 77° 50'59.9" longitude. The

site has a salinity range from 18-35 ppt and a tidal range that averages 1.7

meters. The creek bottom is characterized by sand and detritus based sediment

with areas of soft mud with a depth ranging from 0.34 to 2.45 m. The sole

source for freshwater is rain. Spartina spp. marsh and dunes surround the site,

which is relatively unimpacted by manmade perturbations and is not accessible to

road traffic. The site does experience minimal boat traffic.

2. East Cribbing, Zeke's Island

The Zeke's Island site is located 1.8 km south of Federal Point boat launch in a

tidal basin estuary at 33 (56'23.5" latitude and 77 (56'28.1" longitude. This

site receives minimal freshwater input from leakage of the Cape Fear River

through the 5.6 km rock jetty that separate the two bodies of water. The site

has a salinity range from 15-35 ppt and a tidal range that averages 2 meters.

Depth varies, but typically it can be found to range from 0.11 to 2.30 meters.

Bottom type substratum consists of sand and detritus based sediment. There are

no pollutants from land. The site is surrounded by marsh and dunes, not accessible to road traffic and minimal boat traffic.

6) Data Collection Period

Research Creek data collection began on 2 March 1992, while East Cribbing data

collection commenced on 19 May 1994. All monitoring is considered long term.

Deployment and Retrieval Dates for 2001

Began	Ended
Research Creek:	
12/19/00, 14:00	01/12/00, 10:30
01/12/01, 11:30	02/09/01, 10:30
02/09/01, 11:00	02/28/01, 12:00
02/28/01, 12:30	03/22/01, 11:30
03/22/01, 12:00	04/11/01, 12:00
04/11/01, 13:00	05/09/01, 11:30
05/09/01, 13:30	05/23/01, 14:00
05/23/01, 14:30	06/06/01, 10:30
06/06/01, 11:00	06/19/01, 15:00
06/19/01, 15:30	07/05/01, 12:30
07/05/01, 13:00	07/19/01, 09:00
07/19/01, 09:30	08/02/01, 14:30
08/02/01, 15:00	08/16/01, 15:00
08/16/01, 15:30	09/07/01, 10:00
09/07/01, 11:00	09/13/01, 15:00
09/13/01, 17:00	10/16/01, 11:30
10/16/01, 12:30	11/01/01, 10:30
11/01/01, 11:00	11/20/01, 13:30
11/20/01, 14:00	12/12/01, 14:30
12/12/01, 15:00	01/10/02, 14:30
East Cribbing:	
12/18/00, 16:00	01/11/01, 09:30
01/11/01, 10:00	01/31/01, 13:30
01/31/01, 14:30	03/02/01, 13:00
03/02/01, 13:30	03/23/01, 10:00
03/23/01, 11:00	04/16/01, 15:30
04/16/01, 16:00	05/11/01, 12:30
05/11/01, 13:30	05/25/01, 09:30
05/25/01, 10:30	06/07/01, 10:00
06/07/01, 10:30	06/20/01, 09:30
06/20/01, 10:00	07/06/01, 09:30
07/06/01, 10:30	07/20/01, 08:30
07/20/01, 09:30	08/03/01, 09:30
08/03/01, 10:00	08/09/01, 11:00
08/09/01, 12:00	08/30/01, 09:00
08/30/01, 09:30	09/17/01, 10:00
09/17/01, 10:30	10/18/01, 11:00
10/18/01, 11:30	11/02/01, 10:30
11/02/01, 11:00	11/19/01, 11:30
11/19/01, 12:30	12/13/01, 10:30
12/13/01, 11:30	01/09/02, 16:30

7) Distribution

 $\ensuremath{\mathsf{NOAA/ERD}}$ retains the right to analyze, synthesize and publish summaries of the

NERRS System-wide Monitoring Program data. The PI retains the right to be fully

credited for having collected and processed the data. Following academic courtesy standards, the PI and NERR site where the data were collected will be ${}^{\circ}$

contacted and fully acknowledged in any subsequent publications in which any

part of the data are used. Manuscripts resulting from this $\ensuremath{\mathsf{NOAA/OCRM}}$ supported

research that are produced for publication in open literature, including refereed scientific journals, will acknowledge that the research was conducted

under an award from the Estuarine Reserves Division, Office of Ocean and Atmospheric Administration. The data set enclosed within this package/transmission is only as good as the quality assurance and quality control procedures outlined by the enclosed metadata reporting statement. The

user bears all responsibility for its subsequent use/misuse in any further

analyses or comparisons. The Federal government reimburses or indemnifies the

Recipient for its liability due to any losses resulting in any way from the use of this data.

NERR water quality data and metadata can be obtained form the Research Coordinator at the individual NERR site (please see Section 2.2-1 Principal

Investigators and contact persons), from the Data Manager at the Centralized $\,$

Data Management Office (please see personnel directory under the general information link on the CDMO home page) and online at the CDMO home page http://inlet.geol.sc.edu/cdmohome.html. Data are available in text tabdelimited format, Microsoft Excel spreadsheet format and comma-delimited format.

8) Associated Researchers and Projects
Projects are ongoing and continually changing. Check with the Research
Coordinator or other contact person for an updated list of research.

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Effects of non-point source pollution on estuarine water quality

- II. Physical Structure Descriptors

YSI 6000/6600 datalogger

Variable Range of Measurements Resolution

Accuracy
Date 1-12, 1-31, 00-99 (Mo,Day,Yr) 1 mo, 1 day, 1 yr NA
Time 0-24, 0-60, 0-60 (Hr,Min,Sec) 1 hr, 1 min, 1 s NA

Temp	-5 to 45 (c)	0.01 C	+/-
0.15C			
Sp COND	0-100 (mS/cm)	0.01mS/cm	+/-0.5%
Of			
reading + 0.001mS/	[/] Cm		
Salinity 0-70	Parts per thousand (ppt)	0.01 ppt	+/- 1%
of			
Reading or 0.1 ppt	t, (whichever is greater)		
DO 0-20	00 (% air saturation)	0.1% @air sat	+/-2%
@air			
Saturation			
DO 200-	-500 (% air saturation	0.1% @ air sat	+/- 6%
@			
Saturation			
DO	0-20 (mg/1)	0.01 mg/l	+/-
0.2mg/1			
DO	20-50 (mg/1)	0.01 mg/l	+/-
0.6 mg/1			
Depth (shallow)	0-9.1 (m)	0.001m	+/-
0.018m			
PH	2-14 units	0.01 units	+/-
0.2units			
Turb	0-1000 NTU	0.1 NTU	+/- 5%
of			
Reading or 2 NTU	(whichever is greater)		

Data columns are separated by tabs. Each file contains a two line column header $\,$

at the top of the page which identifies measurements and units for each column.

10) Coded variable indicator and variable code definitions:

Site definitions: RC= South Research Creek, Masonboro Island* EC= East Crib, Zeke's Island*

File definitions: site/wq/month/year (ex.: ZIwq0899 = Zeke's Island data from August of 1999).

*The RC site was formerly designated as Masonboro Island (MS) and EC was formerly designated as Zeke's Island (ZI). Name changes were made on 1/11/2011 to be consistent with later station designations made necessary by the addition of an additional station in each component, and to clearly indicate that the station location throughout the North Carolina Reserve's historical data set. Raw file names were not changed. Please contact the Reserve directly or the NERRS Centralized Data Management Office for more information on this update.

11) Data anomalies (suspect data):

This section lists and explains all anomalous (suspect) data that has either

been deleted or still remains in the data set. The data are either extreme for

the aquatic system being monitored or are outside the measurement range of the

instrument. The cause of such anomalies may be a bad calibration, boat traffic

disturbances, malfunction of the instrument, or the measurements may be correct.

Research Creek, January

All parameters missing due to sonde exchange on the following date and time.

01/12/01 11:00

Anomalous specific conductivity, salinity and DO data, possibly due to fouling.

Consider this data suspect. However, it's possible that the sensors are responding to a real event.

01/01/01 00:00 - 01/12/01 10:30

Anomalous pH data possibly due to fouling. Consider these data suspect. Data $\ \ \,$

were retained.

01/11/01 13:00 - 01/12/01 10:30

During the following dates the turbidity data were outside of the sensors range.

The data were retained. The high value reflects the turbid conditions that

occur during heavy rainfall and high wind events, when the probe is covered by

sediment, or if a fish gets caught in the probe guard cup.

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1/7/01
          8:00:00
                    1323
1/9/01
          19:30:00
                    1474
1/11/01
         13:30:00 1478
1/11/01
         14:00:00
                   1481
1/11/01
         14:30:00
                   1483
1/11/01
         15:00:00
                    1484
1/11/01
         15:30:00
                   1484
1/11/01
         16:30:00
                   1484
1/11/01
         23:30:00
                   1476
1/12/01
         0:00:00
                   1476
1/12/01
         3:00:00
                   1477
1/12/01
       6:00:00
                   1477
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Research Creek, February

During the following dates the DO data were high, especially for the time of

year. Data should be considered suspect. DO sensor passed the post deployment

calibration check. Data were retained.

02/05/01 12:00-13:30

02/06/01 12:30-14:30

02/07/01 13:00-15:00

02/08/01 14:00-16:30

02/15/01 10:30 - 11:00

During the following dates, DO data were noisy, due to membrane puncture.

deleted.

02/15/01 21:00 - 02/28/01 12:00

Anomalous specific conductivity data were noted during the following dates, just

prior to retrieval. Within an hour, specific conductivity values increased in

relatively large increments from 39 to 46 to 51 mS/cm. Data were retained.

02/28/01 11:30-12:30

During the following date the turbidity data point was outside of the sensors

range. The datum was retained. The high value reflects the turbid conditions

that occur during heavy rainfall and high wind events, when the probe is covered

by sediment, or if a fish gets caught in the probe guard cup. 02/20/01 10:30 1330

Research Creek, March

During the following dates specific conductivity, DO, turbidity and pH all seem $\,$

to be responding to something, possibly caused by sediment and fouling. When

the sonde was retrieved, it was covered with sediment and algae, and smelled of $% \left(1\right) =\left(1\right) +\left(1\right) +\left($

sulfur. In the presence of sulfur, the DO probe will not work properly. Sensors tested OK during post deployment calibration check. Data were retained.

03/13/01 18:30 - 03/22/01 11:30

During the following dates the turbidity data were outside of the sensors range.

The data were retained. The high value reflects the turbid conditions that

occur during heavy rainfall and high wind events, when the probe is covered by

sediment, or if a fish gets caught in the probe guard cup.

3/10/01 10:00:00 1152

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3/10/01
           11:00:00
                       1259
3/13/01
           0:00:00
                       1508
3/13/01
           2:30:00
                       1513
3/13/01
           3:00:00
                       1514
3/13/01
           12:00:00
                       1341
3/13/01
           12:30:00
                       1419
3/14/01
           4:30:00
                       1513
3/14/01
           17:30:00
                       1538
3/14/01
           21:00:00
                       1528
3/14/01
           23:00:00
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3/15/01
           4:00:00
                       1035
3/15/01
           9:00:00
                       1517
3/15/01
           15:00:00
                       1500
3/15/01
           19:00:00
                       1528
3/16/01
           3:30:00
                       1372
3/22/01
           15:00:00
                       1211
3/27/01
           20:30:00
                       1127
3/29/01
           3:00:00
                       1498
           4:30:00
3/29/01
                       1498
3/29/01
           6:30:00
                       1406
3/29/01
           9:30:00
                       1460
3/29/01
           16:30:00
                       1224
3/29/01
           20:00:00
                       1506
3/29/01
           20:30:00
                       1079
3/29/01
           21:00:00
                       1035
3/29/01
           22:30:00
                       1475
3/30/01
           10:00:00
                       1042
3/31/01
           2:00:00
                       1515
3/31/01
           3:30:00
                       1059
3/31/01
           22:00:00
                       1078
3/31/01
           23:30:00
                       1090
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During the following dates the turbidity readings were small negative values,

which were probably caused by contaminated zero turbidity standard. Data were

retained. -1 3/22/01 21:30:00 3/22/01 -1 23:00:00 3/22/01 -1 23:30:00 3/23/01 0:00:00 -2 -2 3/23/01 0:30:00 3/23/01 1:00:00 -3 -3 3/23/01 1:30:00 -1 3/23/01 2:00:00 -1 3/23/01 2:30:00 3/23/01 10:00:00 -1 3/23/01 10:30:00 -1 -1 3/23/01 11:30:00 -1 3/23/01 12:00:00 3/23/01 -1 13:00:00 -2 3/23/01 13:30:00 3/23/01 14:00:00 -2

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3/28/01
           5:00:00
                      -1
3/28/01
           7:00:00
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3/28/01
           8:00:00
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3/31/01
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3/31/01
           7:00:00
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3/31/01
         8:30:00
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Research Creek, April

All parameters missing data due to sonde exchange. 04/11/01 12:30

An anomalous DO data point was recorded at the following date and time. Do not

know if this was an error or if a real event caused a sudden drop in DO. The

data point was retained.

04/08/01 22:30 3.6%

During the following dates the turbidity data were outside of the sensors range.

The data were retained. The high value reflects the turbid conditions that

occur during heavy rainfall and high wind events, when the probe is covered by

sediment, or if a fish gets caught in the probe guard cup.

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4/1/01
           3:00:00
                      1503
4/1/01
           4:30:00
                      1518
4/1/01
           15:30:00
                      1042
4/1/01
           16:30:00
                      1207
4/1/01
           17:00:00
                      1344
4/1/01
           17:30:00
                     1257
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           12:30:00
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4/2/01
           13:30:00
                     1021
           14:00:00
4/2/01
                     1482
4/3/01
           11:30:00
                     1111
4/3/01
           15:00:00
                     1507
4/16/01
           10:30:00
                      1243
                      1471
4/26/01
           11:00:00
4/27/01
           11:30:00
                      1475
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During the following dates the turbidity readings were small negative values,

which were probably caused by contaminated zero turbidity standard. Data were

were		
retained.		
4/3/01	17:00:00	-1
4/3/01	19:30:00	-1
4/4/01	7:30:00	-1
4/4/01	11:30:00	-1
4/4/01	18:00:00	-2
4/4/01	18:30:00	-2
4/4/01	19:00:00	-1
4/4/01	19:30:00	-1
4/4/01	20:00:00	-1
	21:00:00	-1
4/4/01		
4/4/01	21:30:00	-2
4/5/01	8:00:00	-1
4/5/01	9:00:00	-1
4/5/01	9:30:00	-1
4/5/01	10:00:00	-1
4/5/01	12:30:00	-1
4/5/01	13:00:00	-1
4/5/01	22:00:00	-1
4/5/01	22:30:00	-1
4/5/01	23:00:00	-1
4/6/01	1:30:00	-1
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4/8/01	10:00:00	-1
4/8/01	10:30:00	-1
4/8/01	11:00:00	-1
4/8/01	22:30:00	-1
4/9/01	5:00:00	-1
	8:30:00	- 2
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4/9/01	9:00:00	-3
4/9/01	10:00:00	-2
4/9/01	10:30:00	-1
4/9/01	15:00:00	-1
4/9/01	22:00:00	-2
4/9/01	22:30:00	-2
4/9/01	23:00:00	-1
4/10/01	0:30:00	-2
4/10/01	3:00:00	-1
4/10/01	9:30:00	-1
4/10/01	10:00:00	-1
4/10/01	10:30:00	-3
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4/11/01
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4/11/01
         9:00:00
4/11/01
         10:00:00
                     -2
4/11/01
                     -2
          10:30:00
4/11/01
         11:30:00
                     -3
4/11/01
         12:00:00
                     -3
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Research Creek, May

During the following time period DO data were noisy, due to a membrane puncture.

DO data were removed.

05/05/01 13:00 - 05/09/01 11:30

During the following dates DO data were low and erratic. Data should be considered suspect.

05/26/01 14:00 - 05/31/01 23:30

Specific conductivity and pH data drifted downward during deployment dated

05/09/0113:30 to 05/23/01 14:00. Data near the end of this time period may be

suspect,

including DO in mg/l. Drifting was probably caused by excessive fouling. There

was also an increase in turbidity during this same time period (see below comment). Post deployment calibration check for both of these sensors was good.

Data retained.

Specific conductivity displayed anomalous data at the following date and time.

The specific conductivity values decreased and then increased by a relatively

large amount in a short period of time. Data were retained.

05/26/01 15:30 - 17:30

05/23/01 14:00 - 14:30

During the following dates the turbidity data were outside of the sensors range.

The data were retained. The high value reflects the turbid conditions that

occur during heavy rainfall and high wind events, when the probe is covered by

sediment, or if a fish gets caught in the probe guard cup.

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05/03/2001 13:30:00
                     1497
05/05/2001 12:30:00
                      1183
05/05/2001 19:00:00
                      1467
05/06/2001 07:00:00
                      1099
05/21/2001 18:30:00
                      1533
05/21/2001 19:00:00
                      1533
05/21/2001 22:00:00
                      1195
05/23/2001 12:30:00
                     1533
05/23/2001 13:00:00
                     1550
05/23/2001 13:30:00
                     1480
05/23/2001 14:00:00
                      1555
05/27/2001 08:30:00
                     1348
05/28/2001 19:30:00 1538
```

Research Creek, June

DO data erratic and low during the following dates. Sonde retrieved with a hole

in DO membrane. The following data were deleted.

06/01/01 00:00 - 06/06/01 10:30

Gradual declines in conductivity, DO, and pH can be seen during deployment, $\$

06/06/0112:00 - 06/19/01 19:00. It did rain fairly regularly in June, especially from 13-

16 June. Sensors were also probably becoming gradually fouled causing data to

be suspect. DO and pH sensors passed the post deployment calibration check.

All data were retained.

During the following dates the turbidity data were outside of the sensors range.

The data were retained. The high value reflects the turbid conditions that

occur during heavy rainfall and high wind events, when the probe is covered by $% \left(1\right) =\left(1\right) \left(1\right) +\left(1\right) \left(1\right) \left(1\right) +\left(1\right) \left(1\right)$

sediment, or if a fish gets caught in the probe guard cup.

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6/14/01
           22:30:00
                      1582
6/19/01
           8:30:00
                      1039
6/20/01
          0:30:00
                      1532
6/27/01
          18:30:00
                     1453
6/30/01
          9:30:00
                     1550
          20:30:00
6/30/01
                      1546
6/30/01
          22:30:00
                      1539
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Research Creek, July

 $\ensuremath{\mathsf{DO}}$ data showed a great deal of noise during the following dates. There was a

toadfish and a blenny in the datalogger probe guard cup upon retrieval. However,

the post deployment calibration check was good, so data were retained. 07/03/01 12:00 - 07/05/01 12:30

The conductivity data appears to have drifted during the deployment from 07/05/01 - 07/19/01. Data should be considered suspect, including DO (mg/l)

data. Data were retained.

During the following period the DO data were deleted due to compromised probe $\,$

membrane integrity.

07/21/01 19:00 - 07/31/01 23:30

During the deployment the pH bulb broke. Data during the following period were $\,$

deleted.

07/22/01 00:00 - 07/31/01 23:30

The conductivity and salinity data were deleted for the following dates. The

drop in data may have been caused by sediment covering the sensor. $07/24/01\ 12:00\ -\ 07/30/01\ 17:30$

During the following dates the turbidity data were outside of the sensors range.

The data were retained. The high value reflects the turbid conditions that

occur during heavy rainfall and high wind events, when the probe is covered by

sediment, or if an animal gets caught in the probe guard cup.

7/3/01	18:30:00	1533
7/18/01	19:30:00	2082
7/18/01	20:00:00	2000
7/18/01	20:30:00	1232
7/18/01	21:00:00	2080
7/18/01	22:30:00	2080
7/24/01	23:30:00	1558
7/25/01	2:30:00	1559
7/25/01	3:00:00	1559
7/25/01	3:30:00	1558
7/25/01	4:00:00	1558
7/25/01	4:30:00	1557
7/25/01	5:00:00	1557
7/25/01	5:30:00	1556
7/25/01	6:00:00	1556

7/26/01 7/27/01 7/27/01 7/27/01 7/27/01 7/27/01 7/27/01 7/27/01 7/27/01 7/29/01 7/29/01 7/29/01 7/30/01 7/30/01 7/30/01 7/30/01 7/30/01 7/30/01	11:30:00 12:00:00 12:30:00 13:00:00 13:30:00 14:00:00 14:30:00 15:00:00 15:30:00 16:00:00 16:30:00 17:00:00 18:00:00 19:30:00 20:00:00 21:30:00 22:30:00 1:30:00 3:30:00 7:30:00 8:00:00 11:30:00	1561 1173 1124 1296 1542 1294 1052 1281 1548 1126 1409 1057 1417 1058 1291 1412 1166 1561 1077 11556 1557 1090 1511 15557 1543 1557 1548 1548 1548 1548 1548 1548 1548 1548
7/31/01	12:00:00	1561

Research Creek, August

During the following period the DO data were deleted due to a compromised probe

membrane integrity.

08/01/01 00:00 - 08/02/01 14:30

During the deployment the pH bulb broke. The following data were deleted.

08/01/01 00:00 - 08/02/01 14:30

Towards the end of deployment dated 08/02/01 - 08/16/01 DO readings appear noisy

and unstable. This may be due to fouling of or sediment covering the ${\tt DO}$

deleted.

08/14/01 21:30 - 08/16/01 15:00

During the following dates the turbidity data were outside of the sensors range.

The data were retained. The high value reflects the turbid conditions that

occur during heavy rainfall and high wind events, when the probe is covered by

sediment, or if a fish gets caught in the probe guard cup.

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8/10/01	14:00:00	1153	
8/13/01	10:00:00	1612	
8/13/01	20:00:00	1231	
8/13/01	20:30:00	1617	
8/13/01	21:00:00	1617	
8/13/01	21:30:00	1617	
8/13/01	22:00:00	1617	
8/13/01	22:30:00	1618	
8/13/01	23:00:00	1620	
8/13/01	23:30:00	1622	
8/14/01	0:00:00	1621	
8/14/01	0:30:00	1622	
8/14/01	1:00:00	1621	
8/14/01	1:30:00	1621	
8/14/01	2:00:00	1620	
8/14/01	2:30:00	1620	
8/14/01	3:00:00	1617	
8/14/01	3:30:00	1616	
8/14/01	4:00:00	1615	
8/14/01	4:30:00	1614	
8/14/01	5:00:00	1613	
8/14/01	5:30:00	1612	
8/14/01	6:00:00	1611	
8/14/01	6:30:00	1609	
8/14/01	7:00:00	1609	
8/14/01	7:30:00	1608	
8/14/01	8:00:00	1609	
8/14/01	8:30:00	1609	
8/14/01	9:00:00		
	9:30:00	1608	
8/14/01		1600	
8/14/01	10:00:00	1603	
8/14/01	10:30:00	1601	
8/14/01	11:00:00	1609	
8/14/01	11:30:00	1613	
8/14/01	12:00:00	1615	
8/14/01	12:30:00	1616	
8/14/01	13:00:00	1617	
8/14/01	13:30:00	1618	
8/14/01	14:00:00	1618	
8/14/01	14:30:00	1617	
8/14/01	15:00:00	1616	
8/14/01	15:30:00	1616	

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8/16/01	12:30:00	1626

Research Creek, September

Data from all the parameters were not recorded due to sonde exchange and deployment structure maintenance. $09/07/01\ 10:30$

09/13/01 15:30-16:30

Conductivity readings drifted downward throughout the month after each

deployment. Consider the data on the following dates suspect, including ${\tt DO}$

(mg/l).

09/03/01 22:00 - 09/07/01 10:00 09/07/01 11:00 - 09/13/01 15:00

Conductivity and pH data showed downward drift in the following time periods.

They were either both responding to a real event, or were covered by sediment.

Turbidity data were exceedingly high during the same time period values (see

turbidity comment below), corroborating the presence of sediment or other interfering object. Data were retained, but should be considered suspect,

including DO (mg/l). Both conductivity and pH rebounded prior to datalogger $\,$

retrieval.

09/13/01 17:00 - 09/30/01 13:30

Conductivity and pH data both make anomalous jumps up in value. It's possible

that whatever was causing the downward drift (see above comment) moved or changed. All data were retained.

09/30/01 13:30-14:00

During the following dates the turbidity data were outside of the sensors range.

The data were retained. The high value reflects the turbid conditions that

occur during heavy rainfall and high wind events, when the probe is covered by

sediment, or if a fish gets caught in the probe guard cup.

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9/3/01	17:00:00	1390
9/4/01	15:00:00	2054
9/16/01	16:00:00	2106
9/16/01	17:30:00	2112
9/16/01	22:30:00	1458
9/18/01	11:30:00	2114
9/18/01	12:00:00	1775
9/18/01	12:30:00	1830
9/19/01	12:30:00	2113
9/19/01	13:00:00	2115
9/19/01	13:30:00	2115
9/19/01	14:00:00	2116
9/19/01	14:30:00	2118
9/19/01	15:00:00	2120
9/19/01	15:30:00	2123
9/19/01	16:00:00	2123
9/19/01	16:30:00	2123
9/19/01	17:00:00	1454
9/19/01	17:30:00	2117
9/19/01	18:00:00	2116
9/19/01	18:30:00	2116

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9/21/01	15:00:00	2123

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9/23/01	23:30:00	2132

9/24/01 9/25/01 9/25/01 9/25/01 9/25/01	0:00:00 0:30:00 1:00:00 1:30:00 2:00:00 2:30:00 3:00:00 3:30:00 4:00:00 4:30:00 5:00:00 5:30:00 6:00:00 6:30:00 7:00:00 7:30:00 8:30:00 9:00:00 9:30:00 10:00:00 11:30:00 11:30:00 11:00:00 11:30:00 11:00:00 11:30:00 11:00:00 11:30:00 11:00:00 11:30:00 11:30:00 11:00:00 11:30:00 11:00:00 11:30:00 11:00:00 11:30:00 11:00:00 11:30:00 11:00:00 11:30:00 11:00:00 11:30:00 11:00:00 11:30:00 11:00:00 11:30:00 11:00:00 11:30:00 11:00:00 11:30:00 11:00:00 11:30:00 11:00:00 11:30:00 11:00:00 11:30:00 11:00:00 11:30:00 11:00:00 11:30:00 11:00:00 11:30:00 11:00:00 11:30:00 11:00:00 11:00:00 11:00:00 11:00:00 11:00:00 11:00:00 11:00:00 11:00:00 11:00:00 11:00:00 11:00:00 11:00:00 11:00:00 11:00:00 11:00:00	2131 2129 2128 2128 2128 2128 2129 2128 2125 2125 2125 2125 2125 2125 2125
9/25/01	3:00:00	2127
9/25/01	3:30:00	1924

Research Creek, October

Data from all the parameters were not recorded due to sonde exchange. $10/16/01\ 12:00$

During the following dates the DO data were deleted due to a membrane puncture.

10/04/01 03:00 - 10/16/01 11:30

During the datalogger deployment dated 10/16/01 - 11/01/01, conductivity data

drifted downward, possibly caused by sediment covering the sensor or fouling.

Consider data suspect during the following dates.

10/18/01 01:00 - 10/31/01 23:30

During the following dates there was a drop in pH readings, most likely due to

sediment accumulating on the sensor. Data were retained.

10/19/01 15:30 - 10/21/01 12:30

During the following dates the turbidity data were outside of the sensors range.

The data were retained. The high value reflects the turbid conditions that

occur during heavy rainfall and high wind events, when the probe is covered by

sediment, or if a fish gets caught in the probe guard cup.

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10/12/01 14:00:00
                      2103
10/19/01
          13:30:00
                      1402
10/19/01
          14:00:00
                      1531
          14:30:00
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10/20/01
          1:00:00
                     1531
10/20/01
          1:30:00
                     1530
10/20/01
           2:00:00
                      1530
10/20/01
          2:30:00
                      1530
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Research Creek, November

During the following dates the conductivity data may have drifted downward,

possibly caused by sediment covering the sensor or fouling. Consider data

suspect during the following dates, including DO (mg/1) data.

11/01/01 00:00-10:30

11/06/01 16:00 - 11/07/01 06:30

11/12/01 09:30 - 11/13/01 21:30

11/16/01 12:00 - 11/24/01 12:00

During the following period pH readings decreased suddenly and stayed lower than

normal for the duration of the deployment. May be responding to the same event

that affected the conductivity readings (see above). Data retained. 11/17/01 13:00 - 11/20/01 15:30

An anomalous drop of a single pH data point occurred during the following time,

cause unknown. Data retained.

11/24/01 21:30

During the following dates the turbidity data were outside of the sensors range.

The data were retained. The high value reflects the turbid conditions that

occur during heavy rainfall and high wind events, when the probe is covered by

sediment, or if a fish gets caught in the probe guard cup.

11/1/01 1:30:00 1518 11/1/01 6:00:00 1519 11/1/01 6:30:00 1038 11/1/01 7:30:00 1521

Research Creek, December

Sonde was pulled out of water during the following dates for hardwiring/telemetry cable repair. All parameter data were deleted.

12/05/01 13:00-14:30

12/06/01 12:30

12/18/01 11:00-12:00

During the following dates the conductivity data may have drifted downward,

possibly caused by sediment covering the sensor or fouling. Consider data,

including DO (mg/1), suspect during the following dates.

12/11/01 03:30 - 12/12/01 19:00

12/31/01 06:30 - 23:30

East Cribbing, January

All parameters missing data due to sonde exchange. 1/31/01 14:00

For the duration of the deployment dated 01/09/01 to 01/31/01, depth appeared to

be off. The sonde was probably shifted soon after deployment due to the strong $\ensuremath{\mathsf{S}}$

currents in the area. Data were retained.

For the following dates and times depth readings were negative. However, based

on the other parameters measured, the sonde was not out of the water. All data $\ensuremath{\text{All}}$

were retained.

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5:00:00	-0.01
5:30:00	-0.06
6:00:00	-0.05
6:30:00	-0.06
18:30:00	-0.02
19:00:00	-0.04
6:30:00	-0.04
7:00:00	-0.04
21:00:00	-0.01
21:30:00	-0.02
22:00:00	-0.02
23:00:00	-0.01
23:30:00	-0.01
23:30:00	-0.01
0:00:00	-0.03
13:30:00	-0.03
14:00:00	-0.03
1:00:00	-0.01
1:30:00	-0.05
2:00:00	-0.06
2:30:00	-0.06
3:00:00	-0.06
2:30:00	-0.01
3:00:00	-0.02
7:30:00	-0.01
19:30:00	-0.02
20:00:00	-0.04
20:30:00	-0.02
8:00:00	-0.02
8:30:00	-0.02
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East Cribbing, February
No data anomalies/deletions to report.

East Cribbing, March

All parameters missing data due to sonde exchange. $3/23/01\ 10:30:00$

For the following date and time, depth was deleted. During retrieval, sonde had

been shifted and was at the wrong depth at time of sampling. $03/02/01\ 13:00$

East Cribbing, April

DO data deleted due to compromised DO membrane integrity. 4/30/01 08:00 - 23:30

Depth shifts mid-deployment. Sonde may have been relocated by strong currents

during the rising tide, or by a curious citizen. Data retained. $4/15/01\ 13:00\ -\ 4/16/01\ 15:30$

East Cribbing, May

All parameters missing data due to sonde exchange. 5/11/01 13:00

5/25/01 10:00

DO data deleted due to compromised DO membrane integrity 5/01/01 00:00 - 5/11/01 12:30

On the following dates and times turbidity readings were large negative values, $\$

indicating that the sensor was blocked pushed beyond its capabilities by ${\tt a}$

large, unknown object. The anomalous data were deleted.

5/05/01 17:00 -440 5/07/01 08:30 -456

5/07/01 23:30 -627

East Cribbing, June

During the following dates the turbidity data were outside of the sensors range.

The data were retained. The high value reflects the turbid conditions that

occur during heavy rainfall and high wind events, when the probe is covered by

sediment, or if a fish gets caught in the probe guard cup.

6/4/01 2:30:00 1554

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6/8/01 20:00:00 1053
6/8/01 22:00:00 2035
6/10/01 1:30:00 1177
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East Cribbing, July

All parameters missing data due to sonde exchange. $7/06/01\ 10:00$

7/20/01 09:00

Towards the end of deployment dating 06/20/01 - 07/06/01, the DO data appear to

drift downward. Data retained. Data may be suspect during the following dates.

07/02/01 06:30 - 07/06/01 09:30

During the following dates the turbidity data were outside of the sensors range.

The data were retained. The high value reflects the turbid conditions that

occur during heavy rainfall and high wind events, when the probe is covered by

sediment, or if a fish gets caught in the probe guard cup.

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7/6/01	14:00:00	1626
7/6/01	15:30:00	1625
7/6/01	17:00:00	1624
7/7/01	2:30:00	1618
7/7/01	3:00:00	1617
7/7/01	7:00:00	1614
7/8/01	14:00:00	1624
7/8/01	18:30:00	1626
7/9/01	2:30:00	1623
7/9/01	3:00:00	1623
7/9/01	4:00:00	1622
7/9/01	4:30:00	1622
7/9/01	6:30:00	1621
7/10/01	18:00:00	1650
7/11/01	20:00:00	1647
7/12/01	3:30:00	1640
7/13/01	3:00:00	1637
7/13/01	14:30:00	1632
7/13/01	19:30:00	1625
7/13/01	21:00:00	1622
7/13/01	23:00:00	1616
7/14/01	0:00:00	1617
7/14/01	4:30:00	1616
7/17/01	2:00:00	1628
7/17/01	8:30:00	1628
7/19/01	19:30:00	1637
7/19/01	20:00:00	1226
7/20/01	8:00:00	1629

East Cribbing, August

All parameters missing data due to sonde exchange. $8/09/01\ 11:30$

During the following dates the turbidity data were outside of the sensors range.

The data were retained. The high value reflects the turbid conditions that

occur during heavy rainfall and high wind events, when the probe is covered by

sediment, or if a fish gets caught in the probe guard cup. 8/12/01 12:00 1660

East Cribbing, September

DO data bad due to puncture in DO membrane. All data were deleted. $9/05/01\ 21:30\ -\ 9/17/01\ 10:00$

East Cribbing, October

DO data, on the following date and times, appears to be abnormally high, however

the DO pattern and data look good before and after. DO probe passed the post $\$

deployment calibration check. Data retained.

10/11/01 11:00 - 10/15/01 15:00

During the following periods, the specific conductivity and salinity readings

may have drifted downward as a result of fouling. Data at end of deployment

considered suspect, including DO mg/l data. Data were retained. $10/15/01 - 10/18/01 \ 11:00$

During the following dates the turbidity data were outside of the sensors range.

The data were retained. The high value reflects the turbid conditions that

occur during heavy rainfall and high wind events, when the probe is covered by

sediment, or if a fish gets caught in the probe guard cup.

 10/4/01
 12:00:00
 1011

 10/16/01
 7:00:00
 1066

 10/16/01
 20:30:00
 1565

 10/29/01
 12:00:00
 1159

 10/29/01
 14:30:00
 1331

East Cribbing, November

All parameters missing data due to sonde exchange.

East Cribbing, December

All parameters missing data due to sonde exchange. $12/13/01 \ 11:00$

During the following dates the turbidity data were outside of the sensors range.

The data were retained. The high value reflects the turbid conditions that

occur during heavy rainfall and high wind events, when the probe is covered by

sediment, or if a fish gets caught in the probe guard cup.

12/04/01 20:30 1569

12/12/01 10:00 1568

11) Missing data:

Missing data are denoted by a period in the data set. Data are missing due to

equipment failure where no probes were deployed, maintenance/calibration of

equipment, and elimination of obvious outliers or elimination of data due to

calibration problems (both pre and post). For more details on deleted data, see

the Data Anomalies Section. To find out more details about missing data, contact the Research Coordinator at the site submitting the data.

13) Notes:

On 07/01/2021 this dataset was updated to include embedded QAQC flags for anomalous/suspect data. System-wide monitoring data beginning in 2007 were

processed to allow for QAQC flags and codes to be embedded in the data files

rather than detailed in the metadata alone (as in the anomalous/suspect, deleted, and missing data sections above). Prior to 2006, rejected data were

deleted from the dataset so they are unavailable to be used at all, but suspect

embedded retroactively in order to allow suspect data to be easily identified

and filtered from the dataset if desired for analysis and reporting purposes.

No other flags or codes were embedded in the dataset and users should still $\ensuremath{\mathsf{S}}$

refer to the detailed explanations above for more information.

High turbidity values above instruments top range (1000 NTU), caused by blockage $\,$

of light transmittance by an obstruction are left in the file.

Whenever specific conductivity or salinity data (referred to as conductivity

data) were suspect, consider DO data in mg/l suspect as well, since specific

conductivity is used to calculate DO data in mg/l.

Start times of each sample were off by 52 seconds and were corrected to the hour

and half hour for all of the deployments in 2001, except for data gathered $\,$

during 04/16/01 - 05/11/01 at East Cribbing.

Negative or zero depth readings were not deleted because the salinity and ${\tt DO}$

readings indicated that the sonde was submerged during these periods.