Central Wisconsin Airport - Marathon County

Wastewater Receiving Stream Classification

Central Wisconsin Airport treats sewage wastes with a "package plant" and a polishing pond which was designed to discharge to a ditch that was constructed to carry runoff from the airport runway. However, the pond is acting as a seepage pond and has not overflowed. The drainage ditch passes through a culvert under the runway and then joins an unnamed tributary to Peplin Creek. The Q7,10 of both the unnamed tributary and Peplin Creek is zero.

The watershed of the unnamed tributary is the airport and wetland in the upper part and is pasture and woodland the last half mile before joining Peplin Creek. The Peplin Creek watershed is about an equal mix of farm land and wet woodland. A fishery survey found log perch and white sucker in Peplin Creek at South Road (Sections 35 and 2) where there is a large ponded area. Below this site, Peplin Creek has several large pools and is a winding stream with little gradient.

Recommendations: Both the unnamed tributary and Peplin Creek should have the noncontinuous hydrologic classification. The unnamed tributary and Peplin Creek above South Road should have the marginal water quality classification and the remainder of Peplin Creek should be "nonsupporting a balanced aquatic community".

Survey Dates: 8/29/77 and 9/13/77

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Ditch along airport runway that receives discharge.



Unnamed tributary to Peplin Creek at South Road (Sections 34 and 3)



Peplin Creek at Oak Road South (Sections 35 and 36)



Peplin Creek at South Road (Sections 35 and 2)

