



# Superior Refining Company LLC

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## **2018 Superior Refinery Fire Summary of Water Sampling Results for Ongoing Monitoring 6/22/2018 (updated)**

The purpose of this memorandum is to provide a summary of the ongoing surface water sampling activities and water quality sampling results initiated on April 26<sup>th</sup>, 2018 in response to the 2018 Superior Refinery Fire. Ongoing sampling is being completed in accordance with the approved 2018 Superior Refinery Fire Surface Water Sampling and Analysis Plan (SWSAP), developed in conjunction with the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources (WDNR) and United States Environmental Protection Agency (USEPA).

The facility maintains a WPDES effluent discharge permit for the Refinery's Waste Water Treatment Plant (WWTP, Outfall 001) which treats surface water from the refinery process unit areas. Surface water from the facility outside of the refinery process areas is conveyed off site via the northern Stinson Avenue storm water ditch or managed through authorized storm water Outfalls 002 and 003. Both the WWTP and other site surface water discharge to the head of Newton Creek, a small stream approximately 1.5 miles long that connects to Superior Bay via Hog Island Inlet.

During the incident, both water and firefighting foam were used to extinguish the fire. The majority of these firefighting materials were contained onsite in the facility's fire water and storm water retention ponds. However, a small percentage of the firefighting materials from the early stages of the response are known to have migrated to the northern Stinson Avenue storm water ditch and into Newton Creek prior to implementation of onsite containment measures during the evening of the initial response. Following the implementation of containment measures, there has been no discharge from the retention ponds used to contain the firefighting materials or from the WWTP. Because of the excess storage capacity of the onsite retention ponds and a favorable weather pattern since the incident, the facility has successfully contained the collected firefighting materials while an appropriate treatment plan is being developed in conjunction with the WDNR.

Surface water sample locations were selected post incident based on known sensitivity or risk as well as field observations including safety of sampling personnel, site accessibility and visual impact assessments. All samples collected are being analyzed by accredited third party laboratories. Ongoing surface water sample locations are presented on Figure 1.

A summary of water sampling results for ongoing monitoring are contained in Table 1. For ease of reference, the following units of measure and identifiers have been defined as follows:

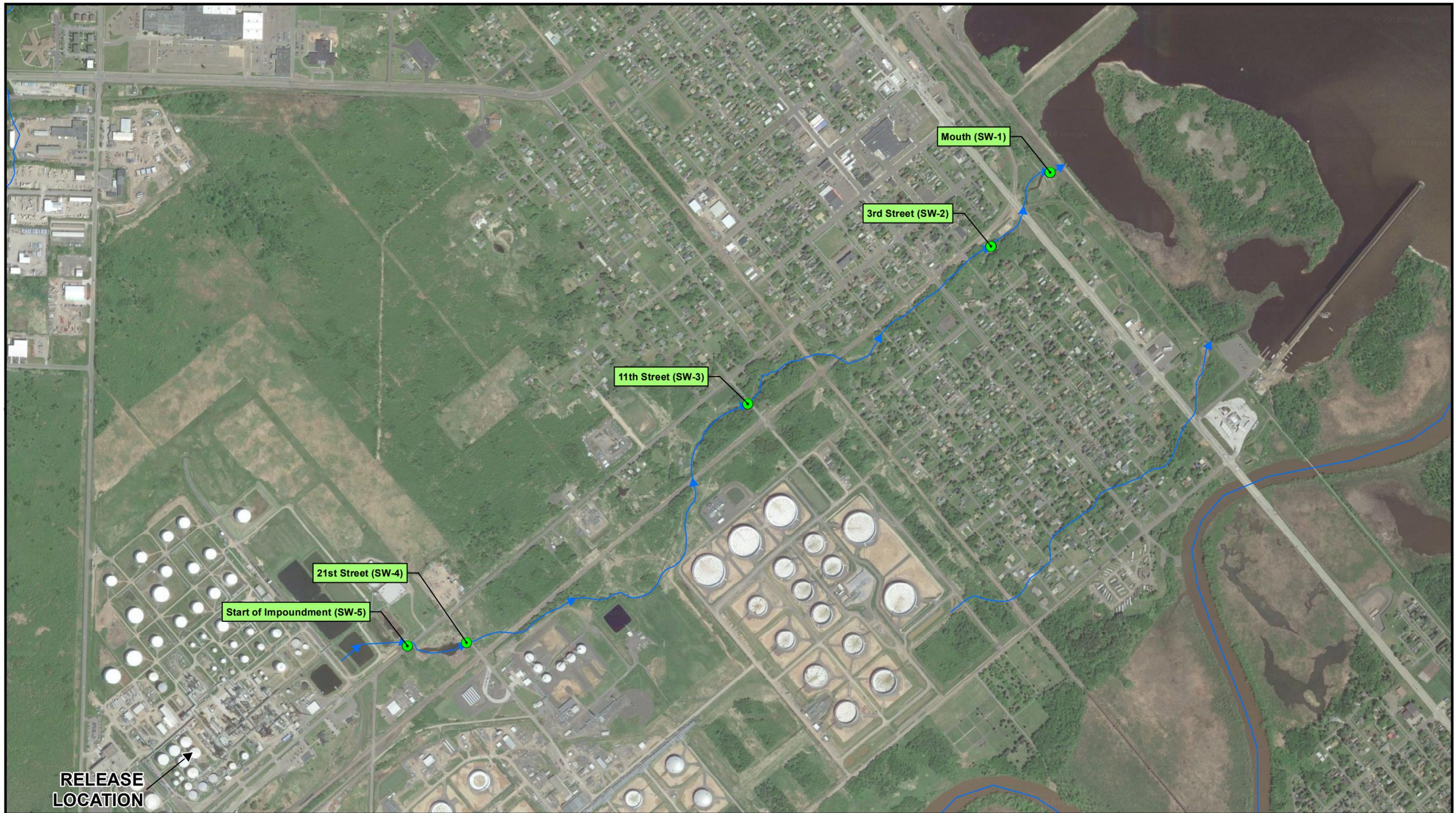
*mg/L* = milligrams per liter which is the equivalent of parts per million (ppm)

*ug/L* = micrograms per liter which is the equivalent of parts per billion (ppb)

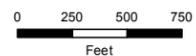
*ng/L* = nanograms per liter which is the equivalent of parts per trillion (ppt)

< = Indicates the analyte was not detected in the analysis and the number represented alongside the < indicates the detection limit.

-- = Indicates analyte was not analyzed or the analysis is not yet available



Sources: 2015 TIGER/Line Shapefiles, prepared by the U.S. Census Bureau, 2015; U.S. Geological Survey, National Geospatial Technical Operations Center - National Elevation Dataset, 2015; USGS High Resolution National Hydrology Dataset. Imagery © Google.



Coordinate System:  
NAD 1983 HARN StatePlane  
Wisconsin North FIPS 4801 Feet



**Legend**

- Surface Water Sample Location
- Surficial Drainage Direction (USGS NHD)



HUSKY ENERGY – SUPERIOR REFINERY FIRE  
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SURFACE WATER SAMPLING LOCATIONS

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FIGURE 1

**TABLE 1**  
**2018 SUPERIOR REFINERY FIRE**  
**SUMMARY OF WATER SAMPLING RESULTS FOR ONGOING MONITORING**  
**(Results received through 6/22/18)**

Parameter	Benzene	Ethyl benzene	Toluene	Xylene, total	Methyl tertiary butyl ether (MTBE)	1,2,4-Trimethyl benzene	1,3,5-Trimethyl benzene	Naphthalene	Total PAHs	GRO	DRO	ORO	Oil and Grease	Perfluorooctane sulfonic acid (PFOS)	Perfluorooctanoic acid (PFOA)		
Units	ug/l	ug/l	ug/l	ug/l	ug/l	ug/l	ug/l	ug/l	ug/l	ug/l	mg/l	mg/l	mg/l	ng/l	ng/l		
Aquatic Life Protection Screening Level	None	None	None	None	None	None	None	None	None	None	None	None	30	None <sup>a</sup>	None <sup>a</sup>		
Human Health Screening Level	610	2920	15359	8300	None	330	4200	1200	None	None	None	None	None	None <sup>a</sup>	None <sup>a</sup>		
Location	Date	Sample Type															
21st St. Impoundment Start  SW-5  Discontinued 5/10/18	4/26/2018		55.9	7.0	73.9	42.6	< 0.40	17.2	4.0	12.0	46 a <sup>1</sup>	474	5.6	6.3	11.1	--	--
	4/27/2018		33.7	4.7	40.2	29.0	< 0.40	15.2	3.7	8.2	ND	510	--	13.1	5.3	--	--
	4/28/2018		18.4	2.5	22.2	16.5	< 0.40	9.0	2.3	4.9	ND	330	--	10.3	2.4 j	--	--
	4/29/2018		< 0.34	< 0.14	< 0.17	< 0.24	< 0.40	< 0.14	< 0.18	< 0.42	1.2 a <sup>2</sup>	< 8.9	5.7	5.0	1.9 j	410	40
	4/30/2018		< 0.34	< 0.14	< 0.17	< 0.24	< 0.40	< 0.14	< 0.18	< 0.42	ND	< 8.9	0.14	0.15	< 1.4	< 10	< 10
	5/02/2018		< 0.34	< 0.14	< 0.17	< 0.24	< 0.40	< 0.14	< 0.18	< 0.42	ND	< 8.9	0.081 b	0.080	< 1.4	20	< 10
	5/02/2018		< 0.34	< 0.14	< 0.17	< 0.24	< 0.40	< 0.14	< 0.18	< 0.42	ND	< 8.9 *	0.076 b	0.073	< 1.4	40	20
	5/04/2018		< 0.34	< 0.14	< 0.17	< 0.24	< 0.40	< 0.14	< 0.18	< 0.42	ND	< 8.9	0.075 b	0.072	< 1.4	20	< 10
	5/06/2018		< 0.34	< 0.14	< 0.17	< 0.24	< 0.40	< 0.14	< 0.18	< 0.42	ND	< 8.9	0.098	0.13	< 1.5	90	20
	5/08/2018		< 0.34	< 0.14	< 0.17	< 0.24	< 0.40	< 0.14	< 0.18	< 0.42	ND	11.7 j	0.11 b	0.10	< 1.4	740	90
5/10/2018		0.40 j	< 0.14	< 0.17	< 0.24	< 0.40	< 0.14	< 0.18	< 0.42	ND	< 8.9	0.095 b	0.11 b	< 1.4	140	70	
<sup>1</sup> Detections: 1-Methylnaphthalene 12.0, 2-Methylnaphthalene 17.2, Fluorene 3.1 j, Naphthalene 9.7, Phenanthrene 4.0. SVOC Parameters: 2-Methylphenol 5.7 j, 3/4-Methylphenol 10.9, Phenol 32.2																	
<sup>2</sup> Detections: Phenanthrene 1.2 j																	
21st St. Impoundment Upstream of Weir  SW-4  Discontinued 5/10/18	4/29/2018		5.8	0.81 j	7.3	5.7	< 0.40	3.2	1.1	1.8 j	8.6 a <sup>1</sup>	141	2.7	0.55	< 1.4	170 *	590
	4/30/2018		2.5	0.20 j	3.3	1.3 j	< 0.40	0.99 j	0.84 j	1.1 j	ND	111	2.7	0.95	2.8 j	180	650
	5/02/2018		< 0.34	< 0.14	< 0.17	< 0.24	< 0.40	< 0.14	< 0.18	< 0.42	ND	31.7 j*	0.30	0.16	< 1.4	100	150
	5/02/2018		< 0.34	< 0.14	0.20 j	< 0.24	< 0.40	< 0.14	< 0.18	< 0.42	ND	21.8 j*	0.29	0.17	< 1.6	80	110
	5/04/2018		< 0.34	< 0.14	0.43 j	< 0.24	< 0.40	< 0.14	< 0.18	0.67 j	ND	37.3 j	0.30	0.18	< 1.5	70	100
	5/06/2018		< 0.34	< 0.14	< 0.17	< 0.24	< 0.40	< 0.14	< 0.18	< 0.42	ND	52.0 j b	0.25	0.18	< 1.5	80	70
	5/08/2018		< 0.34	< 0.14	0.56 j	< 0.24	< 0.40	< 0.14	< 0.18	< 0.42	ND	54.4 j	0.28	0.15	< 1.4	120	60
	5/08/2018	Duplicate	< 0.34	< 0.14	0.54 j	< 0.24	< 0.40	< 0.14	< 0.18	< 0.42	ND	49.7 j	0.27	0.15	< 1.4	120	60
	5/10/2018		0.39 j	< 0.14	0.68 j	< 0.24	< 0.40	< 0.14	< 0.18	< 0.42	ND	17.2 j	0.22 b	0.18	< 1.5	160	110
	5/10/2018	Duplicate	0.38 j	< 0.14	0.70 j	< 0.24	< 0.40	< 0.14	< 0.18	< 0.42	ND	16.9 j	0.21	0.18	< 1.5	150	100
<sup>1</sup> Detections: 1-Methylnaphthalene 3.8 j, 2-Methylnaphthalene 3.6 j, Phenanthrene 1.2 j																	
21st St. Impoundment Plunge Pool  SW-4  Ongoing	5/15/2018		< 0.34	< 0.14	< 0.17	< 0.24	< 0.40	< 0.14	< 0.18	< 0.42	ND	59.1 j b	0.24	0.16	--	210	100
	5/15/2018	Duplicate	< 0.34	< 0.14	< 0.17	< 0.24	< 0.40	< 0.14	< 0.18	< 0.42	ND	49.1 j b	0.27	0.17	--	220	110
	5/21/2018		< 0.34	< 0.14	< 0.17	< 0.24	< 0.40	< 0.14	< 0.18	< 0.42	--	32.2 j b	0.27	0.16	--	180	100
	5/23/2018		--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	ND	--	--	--	--	--	--
	5/23/2018		--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	ND	--	--	--	--	--	--
	5/29/2018		< 0.34 h	< 0.14 h	< 0.17 h	< 0.24 h	< 0.40 h	< 0.14 h	< 0.18 h	< 0.42 h	ND	24.3 j h	0.17 b h	0.14 b h	--	170	60
	6/04/2018		0.13 j	< 0.14	0.19 j	< 0.31	< 0.16	< 0.20	< 0.12	< 0.48	ND	10.9 j	0.13 b	0.089	--	290	30
	6/12/2018		< 0.10	< 0.14	0.13 j	< 0.31	< 0.16	< 0.20	< 0.12	< 0.48	ND	15.5 j	0.26	0.14	--	--	--
	6/18/2018		0.30 j	< 0.14	0.14 j	< 0.31	< 0.16	< 0.20	< 0.12	< 0.48	ND	< 8.9	0.070	0.079	--	130	20
	6/18/2018	Duplicate	0.29 j	< 0.14	0.17 j	< 0.31	< 0.16	< 0.20	< 0.12	< 0.48	ND a <sup>1</sup>	< 8.9	0.071	0.079	--	130	20
<sup>1</sup> Detections: SVOC parameter Bis(2-ethylhexyl)phthalate (DEHP) 5.5 j																	
11th St - Newton Creek  SW-3  Ongoing	4/27/2018		11.2	1.8	14.0	11.0	< 0.40	5.8	1.6	3.5 j	ND	227	--	--	< 1.4	--	--
	4/28/2018		4.4	0.73 j	5.5	4.6	< 0.40	2.5	0.82 j	1.6 j	3.6 a <sup>1</sup>	150	--	--	1.4 j	--	--
	4/29/2018		< 0.34	< 0.14	0.29 j	< 0.24	< 0.40	0.21 j	0.35 j	< 0.42	ND	45.2 j	0.70	0.32	< 1.5	90	670
	4/30/2018		< 0.34	< 0.14	< 0.17	< 0.24	< 0.40	< 0.14	< 0.18	< 0.42	ND	9.0 j	0.56	0.22	< 1.4	100	210
	5/02/2018		< 0.34	< 0.14	< 0.17	< 0.24	< 0.40	< 0.14	< 0.18	< 0.42	ND	24.1 j*	0.21	0.11	< 1.4	50	90
	5/04/2018		< 0.34	< 0.14	< 0.17	< 0.24	< 0.40	< 0.14	< 0.18	< 0.42	ND	19.2 j	0.21	0.11	< 1.4	80	80
	5/06/2018		< 0.34	< 0.14	< 0.17	< 0.24	< 0.40	< 0.14	< 0.18	< 0.42	ND	32.0 j b	0.20	0.14	< 1.5	60	60
	5/08/2018		< 0.34	< 0.14	< 0.17	< 0.24	< 0.40	< 0.14	< 0.18	< 0.42	ND a <sup>2</sup>	25.5 j	0.21	0.11	< 1.4	60	70
	5/10/2018		< 0.34	< 0.14	< 0.17	< 0.24	< 0.40	< 0.14	< 0.18	< 0.42	ND	< 8.9	0.19	0.16	< 1.4	90	70
	5/15/2018		< 0.34	< 0.14	< 0.17	< 0.24	< 0.40	< 0.14	< 0.18	< 0.42	ND	40.5 j b	0.20	0.13	--	100	80
5/21/2018		< 0.34	< 0.14	< 0.17	< 0.24	< 0.40	< 0.14	< 0.18	< 0.42	--	32.1 j b	0.22	0.13	--	90	80	
5/23/2018		--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	ND	--	--	--	--	--	--	
5/29/2018		< 0.34 h	< 0.14 h	< 0.17 h	< 0.24 h	< 0.40 h	< 0.14 h	< 0.18 h	< 0.42 h	ND	27.8 j h	0.16 b h	0.13 b h	--	130	40	
6/04/2018		< 0.10	< 0.14	< 0.083	< 0.31	< 0.16	< 0.20	< 0.12	< 0.48	ND	15.2 j	0.11 b	0.084	--	250	20	
6/12/2018		< 0.10	< 0.14	< 0.083	< 0.31	< 0.16	< 0.20	< 0.12	< 0.48	ND	15.4 j	0.24	0.15	--	--	--	
6/18/2018		< 0.10	< 0.14	0.086 j	< 0.31	< 0.16	< 0.20	< 0.12	< 0.48	ND	< 8.9	0.070	0.081	--	110	10	
<sup>1</sup> Detections: 1-Methylnaphthalene 2.4 j, Phenanthrene 1.2 j																	
<sup>2</sup> Detections: SVOC parameter Bis(2-ethylhexyl)phthalate (DEHP) 8.7 j																	
3rd St - Newton Creek  SW-2  Ongoing	4/29/2018		< 0.34	< 0.14	0.22 j	< 0.24	< 0.40	0.14 j	< 0.18	< 0.42	ND	11.1 j	0.56	0.22	< 1.5	60	300
	4/30/2018		< 0.34	< 0.14	< 0.17	< 0.24	< 0.40	< 0.14	< 0.18	< 0.42	ND	< 8.9	0.60	0.26	< 1.4	50	200
	5/02/2018		< 0.34	< 0.14	< 0.17	< 0.24	< 0.40	< 0.14	< 0.18	< 0.42	ND	< 8.9	0.14	0.089	< 1.4	30	60
	5/04/2018		< 0.34	< 0.14	< 0.17	< 0.24	< 0.40	< 0.14	< 0.18	< 0.42	ND	11.7 j	0.11 b	0.069	< 1.4	20	40
	5/06/2018		< 0.34	< 0.14	< 0.17	< 0.24	< 0.40	< 0.14	< 0.18	< 0.42	ND	22.7 j b	0.13	0.11	< 1.5	20	40
	5/08/2018		< 0.34	< 0.14	< 0.17	< 0.24	< 0.40	< 0.14	< 0.18	< 0.42	ND	22.2 j	0.16	0.089	< 1.4	30	40
	5/10/2018		< 0.34	< 0.14	< 0.17	< 0.24	< 0.40	< 0.14	< 0.18	< 0.42	ND	13.8 j	0.15	0.14	< 1.4	60	40
	5/15/2018		< 0.34	< 0.14	< 0.17	< 0.24	< 0.40	< 0.14	< 0.18	< 0.42	ND a <sup>1</sup>	22.0 j b	0.16	0.11 b	--	60	60
	5/21/2018		< 0.34	< 0.14	< 0.17	< 0.24	< 0.40	< 0.14	< 0.18	< 0.42	--	28.3 j b	0.18	0.12	--	50	60
	5/23/2018		--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	ND	--	--	--	--	--	--
5/29/2018		< 0.34 h	< 0.14 h	< 0.17 h	< 0.24 h	< 0.40 h	< 0.14 h	< 0.18 h	< 0.42 h	ND	19.6 j h	0.13 b h	0.10 b h	--	80	30	
6/04/2018		< 0.10	< 0.14	< 0.083	< 0.31	< 0											