# Neenah Slough at CTH JJ

## Road Salt Monitoring Data Summary December 2011- December 2012

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### Specific conductance summary:

• 8 measurements taken

Minimum: 800 μS/cm on 5/2/2012
 Maximum: 1570 μS/cm on 2/23/2012

Mean: 1186 μS/cm/

## Chloride (Cl<sup>-</sup>) summary:

5 samples collected

Minimum: 94.5 mg/L on 5/2/2012Maximum: 237 mg/L on 2/23/2012

Mean: 165 mg/L

#### EPA Acute and Chronic Exceedences for Chloride<sup>1</sup>:

The EPA acute chloride standard of 860 mg/L was not exceeded at this site in 2011 or in 2012. The EPA chronic chloride standard of 230 mg/L was not exceeded at this site in 2011, but was exceeded one time in 2012:

o 237 mg/L on 2/23/2012 (measured)

#### Results Over Time<sup>2</sup>:

250 200 (a) 150 ਹ<sub>100</sub> 50 0 Water Quality Criteria 500 EPA chronic EPA acute Estimated CI SC (µS/cm) 1000 Specific Conductance Oct Oct Jan Apr Jul Jan Jul Jan 2011 2012

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> EPA acute chloride standard: The one-hour average concentration should not exceed 860 mg/L more than once every three years. EPA chronic chloride standard: The four day average concentration should not exceed 230 mg/L more than once every three years on average. Source: EPA. 1988. Ambient Water Quality Criteria for Chloride. EPA 440/6-88-001. 
<sup>2</sup> Calculated chloride: When SC >1540 μS/cm was Cl = 0.3441 \* SC − 291, adjR<sup>2</sup> = 0.98; when SC was ≤ 1540 μS/cm was Cl = 1.044 \* (exp(0.001609 \* SC + 3.046)), adj R<sup>2</sup> = 0.65. Equations based on data from both Madison and Milwaukee.