

Fall River Sewage Treatment Plant
Columbia County
October 20, 1976
North Branch Crawfish River Tributary

The Fall River sewage treatment lagoon discharges into a tributary of the North Branch of the Crawfish River. The tributary is an intermittent stream which is dry in its upper reaches and has some stagnant water in the lower region. Most of the stream is buffered by marsh.

Crawfish River, North Branch - Surface Acres = 44.72, Miles = 24.6, Gradient = 3.25 feet per mile.

Major tributary to the Crawfish River, flowing northeast then southeast to join the mainstream south of the Fall River Millpond (Lazy Lake). A dam with 14-foot head impounds nearly 2.5 miles of channel at Fall River. Largemouth bass, northern pike, and several of the panfishes constitute the fishery. Carp are abundant, hence a use problem. About 607 acres of wetland adjoin the stream.

Recommendations

From the Fall River sewage treatment lagoon downstream to the juncture with the North Branch of the Crawfish River, the classification should be noncontinuous marginal surface waters. From this point downstream and for the remainder of the North Branch of the Crawfish River, the classification should be continuous fish and aquatic life.

The above recommendations represent a concurrence of opinion of the stream classification team who are as follows:

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