

Deltown
Dane County

January 6, 1977

Sugar River - Surface Acres = 65.3 Miles, Miles = 24.5, Gradient = 7.8 feet per mile.

The major stream draining southwest Dane County. Managed for forage fishes, though headwaters support brown trout and downstream waters have fair pan-fish populations. Several milk processing plants and numerous small villages discharge waste products to the stream and its tributaries. The stream is impounded at Belleville to form the Belleville Millpond (11-foot head). Rough fish are abundant in the entire stream. A city park at Belleville provides access for boats and over 25 roads provide bridge access for anglers. Muskrats are abundant and beaver are found on the more remote sections of the river. Fair numbers of waterfowl use the river and its adjoining 2,100 acres of wetland during spring and fall migration, providing some fall jump shooting when water levels are high. Additional recreational opportunities exist in several miles of stream just above the Belleville Millpond where it is navigable for canoes and small boats.


Recommendations

From the Deltown discharge and for the remainder of the Sugar 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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Respectfully submitted,


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(VERONA) PAD 4.3 MI

292 32'30"

293 BASCO 2.7 MI

294

27 27 0.000 FEET

89°30'

42°5'

M O N T R O S E

SUGAR CREEK
Lake Belle View
Park

Belleville
(BM 870)

Sewage Disposal

RIVER

DANE CO
GREEN CO

CENTRAL

ILLINOIS

Crossing

St. James Cem

Quarry

OAK HALL 6 MI

4748

T. 5 N.

T. 4 N.

4747

310.00 FEET

900

4746

50'

4745