Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources SWIMS Project Summary

General Project Information

Project ID: NOR_17_CMP15

Name: St. Louis River Biota Mercury Monitoring

Type: Competitive Projects

Subtype:

 Status:
 ACTIVE

 Start Date:
 05/01/2015

 End Date:
 12/31/2015

Purpose: Biota in the lower St. Louis River (estuary) will be sampled and tested for total and methyl mercury content. Burrowing

mayflies will be the primary target organism. Composite samples will be collected from 88 sites. Fifty sites will be selected using a GRTS random, stratified method. These will allow evaluation of spatial patterns in mayfly Hg content, including comparisons between littoral ("flats") and pelagic (thalweg) sites, and different segments of the estuary. An additional 38 targeted sites will be selected, where high sediment Hg concentrations are known to exist to allow a comparison of mercury bioaccumulation in mayflies between highly contaminated and a range of lesser contaminated sites. Two year old burrowing mayfly nymphs will be collected at all sites where they are present. Alternative ecological equivelant organisms will be identified, and collected at sites where mayflies are not present. Sampling will be done in

July, 2015.

Consultations with other partners working on the St. Louis AOC (EPA, MPCA, UMD) have identified this project as having the greatest value to complement other ongoing monitoring in the St. Louis River estuary, including efforts to assess

mercury bioaccumulation.

Objective: see above

Comments: Is this a New or Continuing project? 1 year or 2? NEW.

Outcome: see above

Study Design: QA Measures:

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Name	Role	Status	Start Date	End Date	Organization	Comments
AARTILA, THOMAS P	SUPERVISOR	ACTIVE	07/01/2015		Wisconsin DNR	
HAGEN, CHERIE L	SUPERVISOR	ACTIVE	07/01/2015		Wisconsin DNR	
PEACHER, RACHEL D	COORDINATOR	ACTIVE	05/01/2015	12/31/2015	Wisconsin DNR	
Roesler, Craig P	PROJECT_LEAD	COMPLETE	05/01/2015	12/31/2015	Wisconsin DNR	

Project Statuses

Date Reported By Status Comments

03/27/2015 Craig Roesler Proposed

Actions

Action Detailed Description Start End Date Status

Monitoring Stations

Station ID Name Comments

Assessment Units

WBIC Segment Local Name Official Name

Lab Account Codes

Account Code Description Start Date End Date

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 Account Code
 Description
 Start Date
 End Date

 GL041
 ST. LOUIS RIVER BIOTA MERCURY
 05/01/2015
 12/31/2015

Forms

Form Code Form Name

Methods

Method Code Description

Fieldwork Events

Start Date Status Field ID Station ID Station Name

Documents

Title Description Author Published Comments

Budget

Budget Description:FY 2016 Start Date: 07/01/2015 End Date: 06/30/2016

Code	Description	Quantity	Units	Unit Cost	Total Cost	Comments
FTE	FTE Hours	200	Hours	\$0.00	\$0.00	
LTE SAL	LTE Salary	212	Hours	\$15.00	\$3,180.00	
LTE FR	LTE Fringe				\$785.46	
LTE IND	LTE Indirect				\$641.21	
LTE TOT	LTE Total Cost				\$4,606.67	
SUPPLY	Supplies	1		\$800.00	\$800.00	sampling gear, shipping,
						boat gas, misc.
EQUIP	Equipment				\$0.00	
MILEAGE	Mileage	2800	Miles	\$0.29	\$812.00	
MEAL	Meals	24	Meals	\$9.00	\$216.00	
LODGE	Lodging				\$0.00	
TRAVEL	Travel Total				\$1,028.00	
BUG	Bug Contracts				\$0.00	
OTHER	Other Contracts				\$0.00	
USGS	USGS Costs				\$0.00	
TOTAL	Total Cost (excludes SLOH)				\$6,434.67	

Test CodeDescriptionTest Group# PlannedUnit CostTotal CostI432ZTTMETHYL MERCURY TISSUEINORGANIC CHEMISTRY88\$178.75\$15,730.00

Total SLOH Lab Costs: \$15,730.00 **Total Budget:** \$22,164.67

 Combined Budgets:
 \$6,434.67

 Combined SLOH:
 \$15,730.00

 Combined Total:
 \$22,164.67

Funding

October 14, 2016

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Organization Source Type Amount Start Date End Date