# Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources SWIMS Project Summary

#### **General Project Information**

Project ID: GLRI-9KM60

Name: Benthos & Plankton in WI Lake Michigan AOC (USGS # 9KM60)

Type: Great Lakes Restoration Initiative

Subtype: Accountability, Monitoring, Collaboration, Education, Partnership

**Status:** ACTIVE **Start Date:** 07/01/2011 **End Date:** 06/30/2013

Purpose: Benthos (benthic invertebrate) and plankton (phytoplankton/zooplankton) communities in Wisconsin's four Lake Michigan

Areas of Concern (AOCs; Menominee River, Lower Green Bay and Fox River, Sheboygan River, and Milwaukee Estuary) and six non-AOCs will be quantified. The inclusion of non-AOC sites will allow comparison of AOC sites to relatively

unimpacted

or less-impacted control sites with natural physical and chemical characteristics that are as close as possible to that of the AOCs. Comparison to less-impacted control sites as site pairs and as a group is consistent with the

approaches

used by other Great Lakes states, such as Michigan and Ohio (Michigan Department of Environmental Quality, 2008; Ohio EPA, 2008). The community data within and between the AOCs and non-AOCs will be analyzed and the differences and similarities will assist in determining the status of the communities and, when appropriate, support delisting of the "Degraded Benthos" and "Degradation of phytoplankton / zooplankton populations" beneficial use impairments in each AOC. This project is a cooperative agreement between the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources (WDNR) and the

US Geological Survey (USGS).

Objective:

Comments: DNR \$300,000 FY2012

Outcome:

People						
Name	Role	Status	Start Date	End Date	Organization	Comments
Bell, Amanda	COORDINATOR	ACTIVE	05/23/2012		USGS	
Eikenberry, Barb	INVESTIGATOR	ACTIVE	09/19/2011		USGS	
FAYRAM, ANDREW H	COORDINATOR	ACTIVE	09/19/2011		Wisconsin DNR	
HRON, STACY L	COORDINATOR	ACTIVE	09/19/2011		Wisconsin DNR	

#### **Project Statuses**

Date	Reported By	Status	Comments
12/31/2011	LAUREL LAST	Progress: 0-25% Cor	This project is being completed under contract with the USGS. The contract was drafted and approved by WDNR and USGS. The background research, site reconnaissance, equipment procurement and planning necessary before sampling are currently underway. A QAPP is in progress. Approx. 10% complete.
03/31/2012	STACYHRON	Progress: 0-25% Cor	QAPP has been completed and submitted for approval.  Preparations for field work were completed during this quarter with sampling anticipated to begin in April 2012.
06/30/2012	STACYHRON	Progress: 25-50% Co	QAPP Approved. First sampling event completed.
09/30/2012	STACYHRON	Progress: 50-75% Co	Field work has been completed. Data analysis and reporting will begin when analysis is complete.

### **Project Status Detail**

Question Answer

1. Reporting Timeframe (Q1) (Q2) (Q3) (Q4): Q1 - July 1 to September 30, 2012 2. Amount expended this reporting period: see parent project for details

3. Subcontracts or subgrants awarded this reporting period:

none

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QuestionAnswer4. QAPP (Project Plan) status:approved

5. Local services and/or products purchased this reporting none

period:

6. Number of jobs created this reporting period: none

7. Work accomplished this reporting period: Sampling events were completed 8. Work goals for coming reporting period: Data analysis and reporting.

**Actions** 

Action Detailed Description Start End Date Status

Grant Awarded Benthos (benthic invertebrate) and

plankton (phytoplankton/zooplankton) communities in Wisconsin's four Lake Michigan Areas of Concern (AOCs; Menominee River, Lower Green Bay and \*\*\*\*\*\* 06/30/2013

**PROPOSED** 

Fox River, Sheboygan River, and

Milwaukee Estuary) and six non-AOCs will

be quantified.

#### **Monitoring Stations**

Station ID	Name	Comments
10037430	Ahnapee River US 2nd Street	
10037431	Escanaba River Mouth at Lake Michigan	
10037433	Fox River at De Pere, US Fox Point Boat Launch	
10037435	Fox River at RR Bridge US HWY54	
10037436	Kewaunee River US HWY42	
10037530	Lake Michigan Dead Horse Bay (Green Bay) South of State Wildlife Area	
10037444	Manitowoc River US 10th Street Bridge	
10037445	Menominee River US Ogden St Bridge	
10037446	Menomonee River US North 6th Street	
10037447	Milwaukee Harbor DS 794	
10037448	Milwaukee River US East Knapp Street	
10037449	Oconto River Mouth at Lake Michigan, US of Marina	
10037450	Root River at Racine US State Street	
10037451	Sheboygan River at Sheboygan Harbor US of Marina	

#### **Assessment Units**

WBIC	Segment	Local Name	Official Name
20	2	Bradford Beach, Lake Michigan	Lake Michigan
20	12	Lake Michigan	Lake Michigan

#### **Lab Account Codes**

 Account Code
 Description
 Start Date
 End Date

 GL006
 BENTHOS & PLANKTON IN WI LAKE
 05/03/2011
 06/30/2012

### **Forms**

Form Code Form Name

**Funding** 

Organization

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Methods							
Method Code		Description					
Fieldwork Eve	ents						
Start Date	Status	Field ID	Statio	on ID	Station Nar	me	
Documents							
Plankton Bentho QAPP approved of Quarterly Progres (Plankton & Bent June 2012 Quarterly Progres (Plankton & Bent Mar 2012 SWIMS project st GLRI-9KM60 ber plankton Q1-2	version ss Report thos) - Apr- ss Report thos) - Jan- ummary	Description PDF with EPA signatures  SWIMS project summary for GI 9KM60 Benthos & Plankton in Michigan AOCs (Q1-2 report).		Author Amanda Stacy Hro SWIMS		Published 05/01/2012 06/30/2012 03/31/2012 02/03/2012	Comments
Budget							
Combined Budg	gets:						
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Type

Amount Start Date

**End Date** 

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