

GENOMICS TOOL FOR MONITORING
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Abstract

In the context of this research, stormwater consists of precipitation that falls onto impervious surfaces and fails to infiltrate into the ground. Traditional stormwater management involves diverting stormwater into storm sewers followed by discharge to a watercourse. However, in Vancouver and elsewhere, there is a push from governments for a more integrated approach which makes use of low impact design (LIDs) features. For this reason, engineered wetlands, which are designed to optimize natural processes for water diversion and treatment, are becoming a more common and desirable treatment option for stormwater. However, there are barriers for the implementation of engineered wetlands and other LIDs because traditional water quality monitoring often does not provide a reliable enough validation that the wetlands are meeting water treatment objectives, thus leading to a lack of accountability for designers and operators.

In this research, a genomics-based approach was applied at an operating stormwater treatment wetland (the Lost Lagoon wetland located in Stanley Park, Vancouver British Columbia, Canada), with the goal to provide proof of concept data to inform the development of a genomics-based tool for stormwater treatment wetlands and other LIDs. In addition, a laboratory based stormwater dosing study was performed to allow for cross comparison of results. Microbial communities and functional genes with known adaptations for the contaminants found in stormwater were correlated with contaminant levels to increase the reliability and certainty of findings. Results from DNA sequencing were compared using samples extracted from the Lost Lagoon wetland and several outcomes suggested that bacteria may correlate with the performance of treatment wetlands. This was generally supported further using results from samples extracted during the stormwater dosing study. Cost estimates performed for various treatment wetland monitoring scenarios suggested that in the future, a genomics-based monitoring approach may supply more accurate treatment performance data at a lower overall cost and effort level than traditional stormwater treatment monitoring.

Proof of concept, for the application of genomics-based monitoring of stormwater treatment wetlands, was provided. It was demonstrated that genomics could supply benefits for future monitoring endeavours and that additional investigation into this field may be worthwhile.

Lay Summary

In this research, a novel treatment monitoring approach was applied at an operating stormwater treatment wetland (the Lost Lagoon wetland located in Stanley Park, Vancouver British Columbia, Canada). In addition, a laboratory based stormwater dosing study was performed to allow for comparison of results. Bacterial communities and genes with known adaptations for the contaminants found in stormwater were linked with contaminant levels to increase the reliability and certainty of treatment findings. Results were compared using samples collected from the Lost Lagoon wetland and several outcomes suggested that bacteria may correlate with the performance of treatment wetlands. This was generally supported further using results from samples collected during the stormwater dosing study. Cost estimates, performed for various treatment wetland monitoring scenarios, suggested that in the future this novel monitoring approach may supply more accurate treatment performance data at a lower overall cost and effort level than traditional stormwater treatment monitoring.

Preface

The research described in this document contains two parts of equal significance. First, a field study was conducted at the Lost Lagoon wetland in Stanley Park in Vancouver, British Columbia between June 2014 and December 2014. Second, a laboratory study was conducted using facilities at the University of British Columbia Vancouver Campus between November 2015 and April 2016. Both of these studies were student-led by the author of this document. In addition, the author was primarily responsible for the identification and design of the research program, the applications to funding agencies, the execution of both the field and laboratory studies, and the analyses of data. That being said, many individuals, including the author's primary supervisor and collaborating supervisors, contributed advice, expertise, and constructive criticism throughout the design of the research program and the analyses that were conducted by the author. Specifically, Prof. James Atwater, Dr. Susan Baldwin, Dr. Dirk Van Zyl, Dr. Bill Mohn and Chris Johnston provided direction for the two components of this research.

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List of Abbreviations and Symbols

| <i>Symbol</i> | <i>Property</i> |
|---------------|---|
| (A)RISA | (Automated) Ribosomal intergenic spacer analysis |
| AA | Atomic absorption |
| ANOSIM | Analysis of similarity |
| ANOVA | Analysis of variance |
| BCTFA | British Columbia Transportation Financing Authority |
| bp | Base-pair |
| CAMERA | Community cyberinfrastructure for advanced microbial ecology research |
| CEME | Civil engineering and mechanical engineering |
| CLPP | Community level physiological profiling |
| COD | Chemical oxygen demand |
| Cond | Conductivity |
| Df | Degrees of freedom |
| DGGE | Denaturing gradient gel electrophoresis |
| DNA | Deoxyribonucleic acid |
| DO | Dissolved oxygen |
| FAME | Fatty acid methyl ester analysis |
| FISH | Florescence in situ hybridization |
| GAAS | Genome relative abundance and average size |
| GPS | Global positioning system |
| GUSTA ME | Guide to statistical analysis in microbial ecology |
| ICP-OES | Inductively coupled plasma optical emission spectrometry |
| IMG/M | Integrated microbial genomes with microbiome samples |
| KEGG | Kyoto encyclopedia of genes and genomes |
| KWL | Kerr Wood Leidal Consulting Engineers Limited |
| MAFFT | Multiple alignment program for amino acid or nucleotide sequences |
| MeanSqs | Mean squares |
| MG-RAST | Metagenome rapid annotation subsystem technology |
| MO&G | Mineral oil and grease |
| NMDS | Non-metric multidimensional scaling |
| ORP | Oxidation-reduction potential |
| OTU | Operational taxonomic unit |
| PCB | Polychlorinated biphenyl |
| PCR | Polymerase chain reaction |
| PC-SWMM | Personal computer stormwater management model |
| PLFA | Phospholipid fatty acid |
| PVC | Polyvinyl chloride |
| QIIME | Quantitative insights into microbial ecology |
| Q-PCR | Quantitative polymerase chain reaction |
| RAXML | Randomized accelerated maximum likelihood |
| RDP | Ribosomal database project |
| RFLP | Restriction fragment length polymorphism |
| rpoB | Polymerase beta sub-unit |
| rRNA | Ribosomal ribonucleic acid |
| SCSU | Sole-carbon source utilization |
| SPES | Stanley Park Ecology Society |
| SSCP | Single strand confirmation polymorphism |
| STAMP | Strategies and techniques for analyzing microbial populations |
| SumsOfSqs | Sum of squares |
| TACOA | Taxonomic classification of environmental genomic fragments approach |
| TGGE | Temperature gradient gel electrophoresis |
| TOC | Total organic carbon |

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| T-RFLP | Terminal restriction fragment length polymorphism |
| TSS | Total suspended solids |
| Turb | Turbidity |
| UBC | University of British Columbia |
| VOC | Volatile organic compound |

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1. Introduction

1.1 Background

In the context of this research, stormwater consists of precipitation that falls onto impervious surfaces and fails to infiltrate into the ground. Traditional stormwater management involves diverting stormwater into storm sewers followed by discharge to a watercourse, which may or may not include prior treatment at a wastewater treatment facility. However, in Vancouver and elsewhere, there is a push by provincial and municipal governments to integrate stormwater treatment practices through the design and installation of low impact design features (British Columbia Ministry of Community, Sport, and Cultural Development, n.d.), which make use of natural processes to enhance the quality of discharged water, reduce the quantity of runoff, and recharge groundwater aquifers.

For this reason, engineered wetlands, which are designed to optimize natural processes for water diversion and treatment, are becoming a more common and desirable treatment option for stormwater. However, there are still barriers to the implementation of these wetlands as low impact design techniques for stormwater. Traditional water quality monitoring often does not provide a reliable enough validation that the wetlands are meeting water treatment objectives. Adequate pollutant removal efficiency monitoring requires continuous inflow and outflow measurements over a two-year study period (Erickson, Weiss, & Gulliver, 2013); thus, this regime is highly intensive for both resources and labour. In addition, the potential for erroneous and uncollected data is accelerated by unpredictable weather and the potential for equipment wear due to urban vandalism and routine use over an extensive study period. With diverse priorities and competition for limited resources, municipalities are unlikely to fund adequate monitoring regimes for engineered wetlands and will either choose to avoid their installation or base decision making on inadequate analyses.

As low impact design features become a greater priority, emerging analyses methods for monitoring pollutant removal efficiencies are of interest for application in the stormwater treatment sector. One such emerging analysis method for monitoring treatment effectiveness is the application of genomics, “the branch of molecular biology that is concerned with the structure, function, evolution, and mapping of genomes, or the complete set of DNA within a single cell of an organism.” (Oxford University Press, 2016) Because the toxicity of stormwater influences microbial life (Karlsson, Viklander, Scholes, & Revitt, 2010), analysis of the microbiology within engineered wetlands may compliment traditional water quality monitoring and improve the effectiveness of treatment wetlands in the future. The content in this thesis

provides data to support this claim.

1.2 Motivation

In 1999, Kerr Wood Leidal Consulting Engineers Ltd. (KWL) was commissioned by the City of Vancouver for the design and commissioning of an engineered wetland, from here forward referred to as the Lost Lagoon wetland, which would treat stormwater exiting the newly expanded Stanley Park Causeway displayed by the map in Figure 1.



Figure 1. Map of Stanley Park (City of Vancouver, 2016b) Highlighting the Lost Lagoon Wetland

At the time it was commissioned, the Lost Lagoon wetland employed many of the best engineering management practices available and, in doing so, the design received an award of excellence from The Consulting Engineers of British Columbia. However, since the wetland was installed, only limited assessment of its treatment effectiveness has been performed. Though treatment monitoring is desirable and necessary, because of reasons described in the previous section, adequate water treatment monitoring

has not been performed.

That being said, the Lost Lagoon wetland is a highly desirable site for the application of an emerging monitoring method because it was designed as an ideal treatment system with its only source of influent being stormwater diverted from the Stanley Park Causeway. There is a wealth of knowledge indicating that the toxic components of stormwater have an influence on bacteria at both the species and functional gene levels (Nies, 1999). This wealth of knowledge along with the desire to increase the use of low impact design features for stormwater treatment led to the motivation behind this research.

1.3 Objective and Study Goals

Overall, the goal of this study was to provide proof of concept data that supports or rejects developing a genomics monitoring tool for low impact design features that treat stormwater, including engineered wetlands. This goal was achieved by splitting the study's components into two chapters, with each chapter encompassing three objectives.

Chapter 1: Apply traditional water and sediment quality monitoring techniques for validation of the Lost Lagoon wetland

Using limited water and sediment sampled from the Lost Lagoon wetland:

1. Demonstrate that the Lost Lagoon wetland is meeting water quality treatment guidelines;
2. Demonstrate that the engineering best management practices employed in the design of the Lost Lagoon wetland have had some meaningful impact on the stormwater treatment efficiency; and
3. Identify knowledge gaps and opportunities for complimentary data analyses though the application of genomics.

Chapter 2: Apply genomics monitoring techniques for complimentary validation of the Lost Lagoon wetland

Using the same samples that were analysed in Chapter 1:

1. Apply genomics-based analysis methods to determine if there are shifts in the microbial communities and functional genes along the length of the Lost Lagoon wetland;
2. Determine if there is a correlation between the water and sediment quality, present over the study period, and the microbial communities and functional genes observed; and
3. Determine, through laboratory experimentation, if there are opportunities to expand and pursue genomics analyses at other stormwater treatment low impact design features.

1.4 Scope and General Research Activities

The scope of this research can be differentiated into two parts described here.

In the first part of the thesis, a field study was executed at the Lost Lagoon wetland in Stanley Park, British Columbia. The field study covered a six-month period between July, 2015 and December, 2015. Data obtained from the field study was analyzed in order to inform the conclusions of Chapter 1, where limited traditional water and sediment quality analyses were employed in an attempt to validate the Lost Lagoon wetland and to identify knowledge gaps and opportunities for complimentary analyses through the application of genomics.

In the second part of this thesis, DNA was first extracted from the field samples taken at the Lost Lagoon wetland and next sequenced, analyzed, and compared at both the bacterial species level and the functional gene level. In addition to these analyses, a laboratory study was carried out using columns of uncontaminated natural sediment sourced from a bog near Beaver Lake as highlighted in Figure 2.



Figure 2. Map of Stanley Park (City of Vancouver, 2016b) Highlighting the Beaver Lake Bog

The laboratory study ran for a four-month period between December 2015 and March 2016; however, laboratory conditions were controlled and designed to mimic the weather observed at the Lost Lagoon wetland over the period between September 2015 and December 2015. During the laboratory study period, seventeen sediment columns were repeatedly dosed with either semi-synthetic stormwater or distilled water. At one month intervals, sediment columns were sacrificed and analyzed for both the traditional water and sediment quality parameters as well as DNA. The results obtained from the field and laboratory studies were subsequently used to inform the conclusions of Chapter 2, where genomics monitoring techniques were employed in an attempt to provide complimentary validation of the Lost Lagoon wetland and to determine if there may be future opportunities to expand and pursue genomics analyses at other low impact design stormwater treatment features.

2. Chapter 1: Application of Traditional Water and Sediment Quality Monitoring Techniques for Validation of the Lost Lagoon Stormwater Treatment Wetland

2.1 Introduction and Chapter Goal

The contents of this chapter detail the background and environmental results of a field study that was undertaken at the Lost Lagoon wetland. Water and soil samples were collected from the wetland and environmental conditions were measured and analyzed. In addition, DNA was extracted and archived for future analyses in Chapter 2. Because the sampling regime was designed to optimize the collection of bacterial DNA, there were some limitations for the environmental analyses, which are further discussed later in this chapter. Most importantly, sampling of the wetland was performed over a six-month period, which is shorter than the required timespan needed to fully validate a stormwater treatment wetland.

The goal of this chapter was to demonstrate that the wetland is an ideal field site to be used for the ‘proof of concept’ design of a genomics-based monitoring tool for stormwater treatment wetlands. This chapter identifies common challenges that result from traditional wetland testing and also provides a lead in for opportunities to apply genomics as a method to reduce said challenges. To illustrate the need for stormwater management, background details on stormwater toxicity and treatment requirements are first provided. Next, engineered wetlands and associated best management practices are described. The Lost Lagoon wetland is then given some background and the design features are described in order to provide context for the field sampling and analysis plan. Finally, the study methodology, results, discussion and conclusions are provided.

2.2 Chapter Objectives

Based on the overall goal of this chapter, this chapter has three specific objectives.

Using water and sediment sampled from the Lost Lagoon wetland:

1. Demonstrate that the Lost Lagoon wetland is meeting or exceeding water quality treatment guidelines;
2. Demonstrate that the engineering best management practices employed in the design of the Lost Lagoon wetland have had some meaningful impact on the stormwater treatment efficiency; and
3. Identify knowledge gaps and opportunities for complimentary data analyses through the application of genomics.

2.3 Hypotheses

The Lost Lagoon wetland was designed to improve stormwater runoff quality through a variety of treatment mechanisms including filtration, sedimentation, adsorption, and biological uptake. Therefore, in order to prove that the wetland is meeting treatment guidelines and in order to begin to validate the treatment mechanisms within the wetland, two hypotheses must be true.

1. The concentrations of metals associated with stormwater decrease along the length of the wetland; and
2. The concentration of oil and grease decreases along the length of the wetland.

2.4 Literature Review

In order to provide background and context for the objectives and hypotheses stated in this chapter, a review of relevant literature was performed. First, a description of the regulatory framework for stormwater treatment in Vancouver is supplied. Next, common pollutants in stormwater are given some context, including the pollutants' origins, reasons for toxicity, expected concentration ranges, guidelines for treatment, and the expected treatment that is achievable using engineered wetlands. Barriers for implementing wetlands for stormwater treatment are described as well as a description of traditional monitoring techniques. Finally, the precedent, design components and best management practices, and past analyses of the Lost Lagoon wetland are described.

2.4.1 Regulatory Framework

In Canada, a multi-jurisdictional approach provides the authority to discharge liquid waste and different regulations and guidelines come into force depending on the source and content of the liquid waste which is to be discharged.

At the national level, there are federal regulations under Section 35(1) of the Fisheries Act (Government of Canada, 1985), which stipulate conditions for discharges to fish bearing receiving bodies. In addition, the federal Environmental Protection Act (Government of Canada, 1999) makes pollution prevention the cornerstone of national efforts to reduce toxic substances in the environment. However, these Acts do not explicitly regulate discharges of waste where the only source is stormwater. This is mainly due to the fact that management of the natural environment is largely a provincial jurisdiction in Canada and, thus, federal regulations on environmental matters are limited. Concerning stormwater, beyond the Fisheries Act and Environmental Protection Act, several federal guidelines and best management practices exist that collectively serve to provide a Canada-wide strategy for stormwater management and planning. These

guidelines are largely the result of a consensus among provincial governments reached through meetings of the Canadian Council of Ministers of the Environment.

At the provincial level, British Columbia has adopted this federal strategy through application of its guideline for managing stormwater titled, *Stormwater Planning: A guidebook for BC* (Stephens, Graham, & Reid, 2002) and through enforcement of the *Municipal Wastewater Regulation* (Government of British Columbia, 2016). Within its suite of provincial regulations, British Columbia grants the authority to permit stormwater treatment and conveyance systems to municipalities. However, because municipalities do not hold an explicit right to jurisdictional power in Canada, the province of British Columbia still directly controls liquid waste discharges by requiring all municipalities to submit and adhere to an *Integrated Liquid Waste and Resource Management Plan*. Said plan must first be approved by the BC Ministry of the Environment before municipalities are granted implicit rights to regulate and permit the management of liquid waste, including stormwater.

At the municipal level, by developing an *Integrated Liquid Waste and Resource Management Plan*, Metro Vancouver provides resources, and guidelines concerning stormwater that its fourteen member municipalities must adhere to prior to being granted local authority over stormwater management. Through applying Metro Vancouver's liquid waste management plan, the City of Vancouver developed its target specific plan, namely the *Citywide Integrated Stormwater Management Plan* (City of Vancouver, 2016a). Within this plan, locally relevant best management practices are supplied in an easy to apply context for developers, planners and engineers. In addition, priorities for low impact design features are placed at a high significance concerning Vancouver's sustainability goals.

Because the guidelines and regulations for treating and conveying stormwater are managed within several documents and pieces of legislation, it is easy to become lost when attempting to discern what information is most applicable. For this reason, Figure 3 has been supplied as a summary of the regulatory framework concerning stormwater management in British Columbia.

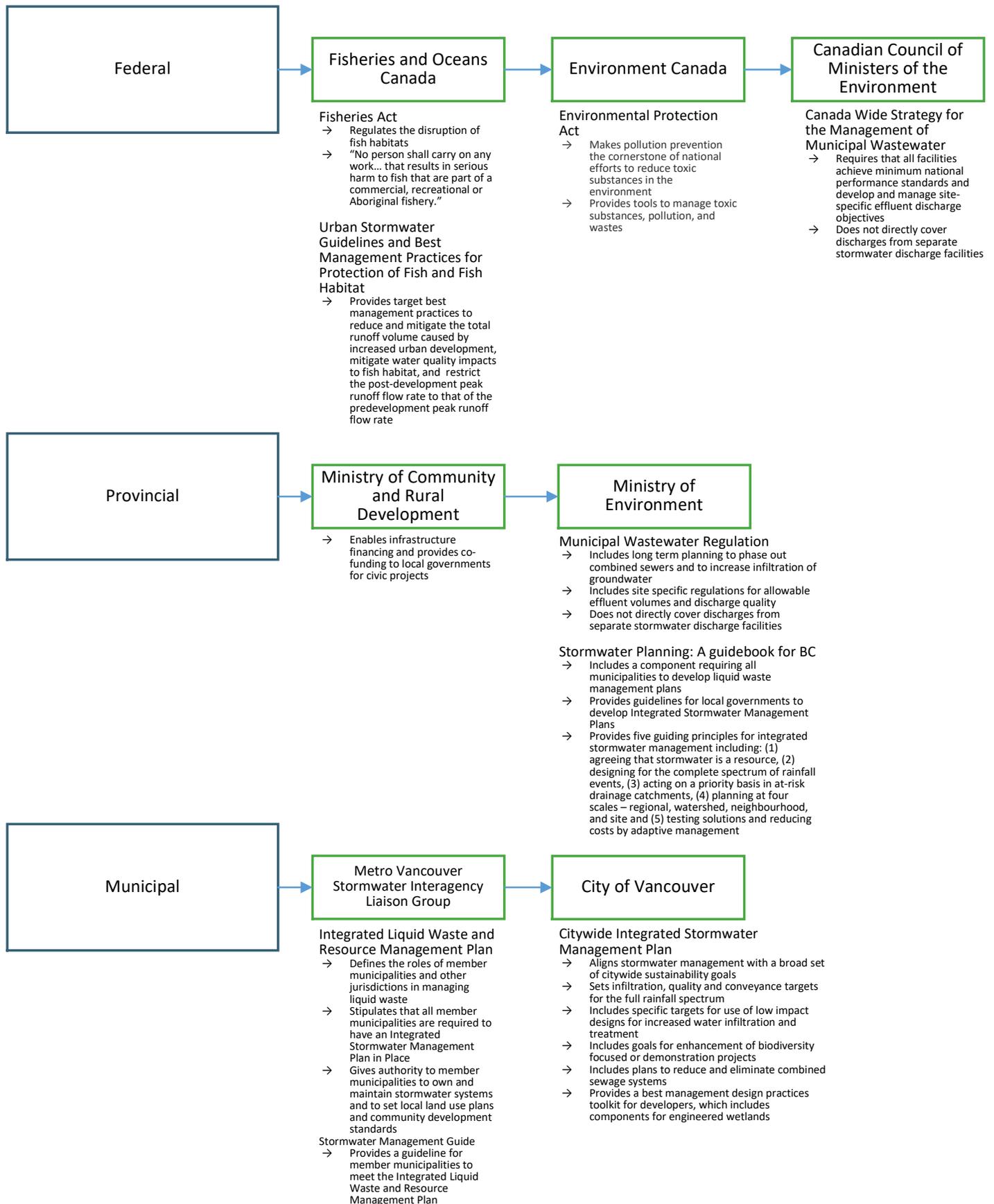


Figure 3. Visual Breakdown of the Regulatory Framework for Stormwater Management in Vancouver

2.4.2 Urban Stormwater and Accepted Treatment Efficacy of Engineered Wetlands

2.4.2.1 Description and Sources of Common Pollutants in Urban Stormwater

As urbanization increases, construction and development lead to an increase in the total impervious surface area within watersheds. Because impervious surfaces limit the ability of water to infiltrate into the ground, unmitigated urbanization can lead to an increase in runoff volumes and peak flow rates. These larger faster runoffs yield more kinetic energy, which increases the opportunity for erosion and the movement of solid particles. In addition, roadways and vehicle traffic are sources of pollutants due to combustion of fossil fuels and mechanical wear. Thus, the quality of stormwater is degraded as a number of pollutants increase in concentration. *Table 1* outlines the common pollutants of concern found in stormwater and *Table 2* outlines the sources of said pollutants.

Table 1. Description of Common Pollutants in Urban Stormwater

| <i>Pollutant</i> | <i>Description</i> |
|------------------------|---|
| Alkalinity | Water's capacity to neutralize acid measured as concentration of CaCO ₃ |
| Chloride | Concentration of dissolved Cl ⁻ |
| Hardness | Dissolved calcium and magnesium, measured as CaCO ₃ |
| Nitrogen | Nutrient existing as particulate, dissolved, nitrate, nitrite, and ammonium |
| Phosphorus | Nutrient existing in numerous particulate and dissolved forms |
| Mineral Oil and Grease | Total concentration of hydrocarbons |
| Organic Carbon | Degradable organic material in total or dissolved form |
| pH | Function of the number of hydrogen ions in a solution |
| Solids | Total concentration of suspended or dissolved particulates |
| Temperature | Thermal property |
| Turbidity | Cloudiness of water, an indirect measure of particulates |
| Metals | Concentration of As, Ag, Al, Ba, Be, Ca, Cd, Co, Cr, Cu, Fe, K, Mg, Mn, Mo, Na, Ni, Pb, Sb, V, and/or Zn in total or dissolved form |

Table 2. Sources of Common Pollutants in Urban Stormwater

| <i>Pollutant</i> | <i>Sources in Stormwater</i> ^{1,2} |
|------------------------|---|
| Alkalinity | Rainwater, rocks, soil and debris |
| Chloride | Road de-icing rock salts, |
| Hardness | Rainwater, rocks, soil and debris |
| Nitrogen | Atmosphere, animal waste, vegetative matter and fertilizers |
| Phosphorus | Atmosphere, animal waste, vegetative matter and fertilizers |
| Mineral Oil and Grease | Atmosphere, vehicle coolants, gasoline, oils, lubricants, coal-tar based asphalt sealants |
| Organic Carbon | Animal waste, vegetation, oils, greases, grass clippings |
| pH | Rainwater, reduced buffering due to impervious surfaces |
| Solids | Atmosphere, pavement wear, vehicles, and road maintenance |
| Temperature | Changes in land use, surface cover and shading |
| Turbidity | Atmosphere, pavement wear, vehicles, road maintenance, vegetation |
| Arsenic | Atmosphere, fertilizers, animal waste, solid wastes |
| Silver | Diesel fuels, improper disposal of industrial wastes |
| Aluminum | Atmosphere, rocks, soil, and debris, vehicle exhaust, asphalt |
| Barium | Vehicle wear |
| Beryllium | Vehicle wear |
| Calcium | Road de-icing rock salts, grease, atmosphere, rocks, soil and debris |
| Cadmium | Vehicle wear, tire fillers and insecticides |
| Cobalt | Atmosphere, vehicle wear |
| Chromium | Atmosphere, vehicle wear, moving engine parts and brake linings |
| Copper | Soil, bearing wear, engine parts, brake linings and radiator repair |
| Iron | Atmosphere, soil, vehicle wear, engine parts, and road structures |
| Potassium | Atmosphere and fertilizers |
| Magnesium | Road de-icing rock salts, soil, rocks and debris, rainwater |
| Manganese | Atmosphere, engine parts and gasoline additives |
| Molybdenum | Atmosphere, vehicle wear, brake linings |
| Sodium | Atmosphere, road de-icing rock salts, soil, rocks and debris |
| Nickel | Diesel fuel, lubricating oil, bushing wear, brake linings and asphalt |
| Lead | Tire fillers, lubricating oil/grease, vehicle wear and radiators |
| Antimony | Rubber tires, enamel paints and lacquers |
| Vanadium | Atmosphere |
| Zinc | Atmosphere, tire wear, vehicle wear, soil, rocks and debris |

¹ (Erickson, Weiss, & Gulliver, 2013)

² (British Columbia Ministry of the Environment, 1992)

2.4.2.2 Reasons for Toxicity for Common Pollutants in Urban Stormwater

Urban stormwater can have hydrological, chemical, biological or physical impacts on the environment; however, the greatest concern is usually biological integrity and habitat alteration (Erickson, Weiss, & Gulliver, 2013). As the concentration of certain pollutants increases in stormwater, a variety of toxic effects may become evident in the ecosystems of receiving water bodies. For this reason, untreated, unmitigated urban stormwater runoff is detrimental over time. *Table 3* outlines the specific reasons for the toxicity of the common pollutants found in urban stormwater.

Table 3. Reasons for Toxicity of Common Pollutants in Urban Stormwater

| <i>Pollutant</i> | <i>Reasons for Toxicity</i> ¹ |
|------------------------|---|
| Alkalinity | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Low alkalinity limits the buffering capacity of receiving water to moderate changes in pH |
| Chloride | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • High chloride concentrations indirectly affect soil properties such as swelling, porosity, water retention, and saturated hydraulic conductivity • High chloride concentrations contribute to high salinity which can be lethal for freshwater species |
| Hardness | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Low hardness indirectly increases toxicity as cadmium, copper, nickel and lead toxicities increase as hardness decreases |
| Nitrogen | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • High nitrogen concentrations increase plant growth in a process called eutrophication • Eutrophication leads to reduced water clarity and the presence of blue-green algae which decomposes, reducing the oxygen content of the receiving water body |
| Phosphorus | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • High phosphorus concentrations increase plant growth in a process called eutrophication • Eutrophication leads to reduced water clarity and the presence of blue-green algae which decomposes, reducing the oxygen content of the receiving water body |
| Mineral Oil and Grease | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Reduce the ability of some organisms to reproduce, negatively impact the ability of some plant species to grow, and can be lethal in high concentrations • Can accumulate in the sediment of aquatic environments, reducing oxygen content as it slowly decomposes |
| Organic Carbon | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Degradation consumes oxygen and impairs aquatic life |
| pH | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Changes in pH can be lethal for aquatic organisms • pH can indirectly influence the toxicity of other toxic compounds, including heavy metals |
| Solids | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • High solids loadings contribute to oxygen consumption and eutrophication • High solids loadings are associated with higher concentrations of particle-bound pollutants, including heavy metals |
| Temperature | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Surges of elevated temperatures reduce dissolved oxygen content • Temperature can indirectly influence the toxicity of other compounds, such as ammonia |
| Turbidity | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • High turbidity is associated with high particulate loadings and is associated with higher concentrations of particle-bound pollutants, including heavy metals |
| Metals | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Reduce the ability of some organisms to reproduce, negatively impact the ability of some plant species to grow, and can be lethal in high concentrations • Can bioaccumulate in the sediment of aquatic environments |

¹ (Erickson, Weiss, & Gulliver, 2013)

2.4.2.3 Wetlands as an Urban Stormwater Control Measure

While the technology has improved in the last twenty years, wetlands have long been known to improve water quality (Kerr Wood Leidal Associates Ltd., 1999). Removal efficiencies for toxins associated with sediments can be as high as 90%, with average total removal efficiencies in the range of 60%-80% (Hawkins et al., 1997). The expected removal efficiencies for wetlands are comparable with other treatment options but wetlands provide the added benefit of enhanced habitats for wildlife and plants. *Table 4* outlines the expected concentration of pollutants in stormwater, the guidelines for treatment in Canada and the removal efficiency expected from engineered wetlands.

Table 4. Concentration of Common Pollutants in Urban Stormwater, Treatment Guidelines and Removal Efficiency Using Engineered Wetlands

| Pollutant | Concentration | | Removal Efficiency ⁴ , % |
|-------------------------------|---------------------------|------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| | Stormwater ^{1,2} | Guideline ³ | |
| Alkalinity (mg/L) | 8-153 ¹ | 20 | - |
| Chloride (mg/L) | 0.5-75.3 ¹ | 0.640 | - |
| Hardness (mg/L) | 8.2-80.3 ¹ | 20 | - |
| Nitrogen (mg/L) | 0.34-20 ² | - | -19 ^α |
| Phosphorus (µg/L) | 64-4410 ¹ | - | 7 |
| Mineral Oil and Grease (mg/L) | 5.0-63.4 ¹ | 15 | 74 |
| Organic Carbon (mg/L) | 7.3-17.6 ² | - | 31 |
| pH | 6.2-8.7 ² | 6.5-9 | - |
| Solids (mg/L) | 44-809 ¹ | 20% above BL* | -5 ^α |
| Temperature | - | - | - |
| Turbidity | - | - | - |
| Arsenic (µg/L) | 0-58 ⁵ | 5 | 41 |
| Silver (µg/L) | 3.0 ⁵ | 0.25 | - |
| Aluminum (µg/L) | 26-7100 ¹ | 100 | 85 |
| Barium (µg/L) | 2-792 ¹ | - | 34 |
| Beryllium (µg/L) | - | - | - |
| Calcium (µg/L) | 42-506 ¹ | - | 67 |
| Cadmium (µg/L) | 0-40 ⁵ | 1 | - |
| Cobalt (µg/L) | - | - | - |
| Chromium (µg/L) | 0-40 ⁵ | 2 | 61 |
| Copper (µg/L) | 22-7033 ⁵ | 2 | 33 |
| Iron (µg/L) | 32-125000 ¹ | 350 | 84 |
| Potassium (mg/L) | 5-114 ¹ | - | -8 ^α |
| Magnesium (mg/L) | 113-741 ¹ | - | 29 |
| Manganese (µg/L) | 112-6910 ¹ | 80 | 91 |
| Molybdenum (µg/L) | - | 70 | - |
| Sodium (mg/L) | 6.7-548 ¹ | - | -19 ^α |
| Nickel (µg/L) | 0-126 ⁵ | 25 | - |
| Lead (µg/L) | 73-1780 ⁵ | 3 | 79 |
| Antimony (µg/L) | | 6 | - |
| Vanadium (µg/L) | | - | - |
| Zinc (µg/L) | 5-2386 ¹ | 7.5 | 71 |

¹ (Stime, 2014)

² (British Columbia Research Corporation, 1992)

³ (CCME Guidelines for Protection of Aquatic Life, Freshwater, 2016)

⁴ (Hawkins et al., 1997)

⁵ (Geosyntec Consultants & Wright Water Engineers Inc., 2011)

*BL = Baseline concentration

^αNegative values indicate that wetlands are a source of material

2.4.2.4 Barriers for Implementing Stormwater Treatment Wetlands

While the popularity of low impact design features is increasing, these systems still make up a minority of all stormwater treatment systems in British Columbia. Even with the increase of literature, which indicates the importance of low impact design features for long term urban sustainability, the cost and uncertainty behind these types of systems still remain the primary reasons that the implementation of low impact designs is challenging. Specifically, for the case of engineered wetlands, as a stormwater control measure, construction costs and long term maintenance and monitoring costs are of primary concern for land developers. Because stormwater quality is variable in nature, treatment efficacy through natural processes is challenging to monitor and validate. Proper validation of these systems often requires a two-year sampling regime, which is unlikely to be prioritized by most municipalities.

2.4.3 Traditional Water and Sediment Quality Monitoring for Validating the Efficacy of Stormwater Treatment Wetlands

2.4.3.1 Visual Inspection

Visual inspection is the first and least complex option for inspecting an engineered wetland. Visual inspection is performed by running through a pre-prepared checklist in order to see if the different components of the wetland qualitatively appear to be functioning as they were designed. The downside of visual inspection is that if there are no outward signs of malfunction, there is no guarantee that the field inspector will notice that the wetland is operating improperly. A typical visual inspection should involve review of the following wetland properties:

- History of previous visual inspections and assessments;
- Condition and extent of access to the wetland, including upstream and downstream areas;
- Condition of the inlet and outlet structures;
- Condition of each component of the wetland (i.e. forebay, low marsh, high marsh etc.);
- Condition of water –moving or stagnant as designed;
- Potential that an illicit discharge occurred;
- Signs of erosion and deposition;
- Health and condition of soil and vegetation;
- Quantity of litter and debris; and
- Stability of banks and sides of practices. (Erickson, Weiss, & Gulliver, 2013)

Taken together, assessment of these properties should indicate to a field inspector whether the wetland is being maintained properly by the owner and whether the wetland is likely functioning within its design constraints. Visual inspection gives no quantitative indication of water treatment efficacy.

2.4.3.2 Testing

Testing involves preparing a series of measurements which are taken under synthetically controlled conditions. Testing is considerably more involved than visual inspection but requires fewer resources than monitoring, which requires taking measurements during natural runoff events. Two types of testing are common when assessing stormwater treatment practices, namely capacity testing and synthetic runoff testing. Capacity testing requires taking point measurements to determine surface infiltration/filtration capacity or the remaining sediment storage available in a specific space. Synthetic runoff testing measures the overall performance of a wetland, rather than only a series of point measurements

2.4.3.2.1 Capacity Testing

Capacity testing using sediment retention tests can be of great value for assessing the sedimentation and thus solids removal performance of wetlands. Sediment retention tests require measurement of surface elevations using a level rod and a boat or using electronic sonar depth measurement equipment. Taken together with GPS or total station longitude and latitudes and design drawings, these measurements can provide an estimate of the retained sediment within a forebay or settling pond (Erickson, Weiss, & Gulliver, 2013). The rate and efficiency of sediment accumulation can then be estimated using predictions or measurements of the inlet water quality and the timespan that the wetland has been in operation.

Infiltration/filtration testing estimates the saturated hydraulic conductivity at specific locations within stormwater treatment systems. In the case of engineered wetlands, these measurements are less valuable because the wetlands are generally designed to inhibit infiltration and to instead convey water to a receiving water body. Infiltration/filtration capacity testing would be valuable if there is suspicion that the wetland is not functioning as designed.

2.4.3.2.2 Synthetic Runoff Testing

Synthetic runoff testing requires that a prescribed quantity and quality of synthetic stormwater is applied to a stormwater treatment practice during controlled conditions. In the case of engineered wetlands, theoretically, the wetland could be dosed with synthetic stormwater and the quality of water at the outlet could be measured over time. Conservative tracers such as chloride or rhodamine can be added to the synthetic stormwater in order to determine if there are dead zones or short circuiting in the wetland. The

accuracy of synthetic stormwater testing may be low because it is challenging to maintain representative and consistent suspended solids in synthetic stormwater (Erickson, Weiss, & Gulliver, 2013). This process is also limited by the amount of synthetic stormwater that can be prepared, either using a fire hydrant, water truck or other source. Synthetic stormwater testing is more practical for small stormwater systems like grit chambers and stormceptors.

2.4.3.3 Monitoring

Monitoring is the most accurate option for validating stormwater treatment systems but it is also the most time-consuming, resource intensive, and costly. Typically, monitoring is only performed when visual inspection and testing do not meet site validation goals or when stakeholders wish to use the treatment site as a demonstration of effective best management practices. Quantitatively monitoring the treatment effectiveness of engineered wetlands is achieved by collecting influent and effluent samples along each stage of the treatment system and determining the samples' pollutant concentrations through laboratory analyses. When developing a monitoring plan, it is necessary to follow standardized guidance procedures, which are described elsewhere (Erickson, Weiss, & Gulliver, 2013).

Due to the nature of weather, influent water quality and quantity is highly variable and, in order to have statistically significant analyses, repeat monitoring is generally required for all storms over a study period of fourteen to twenty-four months. Monitoring of engineered wetlands has a high potential for errors or losses in data because weather is unpredictable and the likelihood of equipment malfunctions over a long field study period increases with time.

2.4.4 Study Site: Lost Lagoon Stormwater Treatment Wetland

2.4.4.1 Precedent for Installation

In June of 1999, the Vancouver Board of Parks and Recreation commissioned KWL to prepare a stormwater management plan, which would coincide with upgrades to the Stanley Park Causeway. These upgrades were part of a larger Stanley Park Causeway rehabilitation project, which was funded under the umbrella of the British Columbia Transportation Financing Authority (BCTFA) Lions Gate Bridge project. On June 30th 1999, staff from the Park's Board and KWL held a workshop to develop recommendations for stormwater management along the causeway. The final recommendations included:

- Discharging all pavement surface runoff to Lost Lagoon;
- Treating the runoff through installation of an engineered wetland located in the northeast corner of Lost Lagoon; and

- Adding spill interceptors in two locations.

2.4.4.2 Design, Installation, Maintenance and Monitoring Regime

2.4.4.2.1 Design

Lost Lagoon was originally a saltwater passage between Vancouver and Stanley Park. In 1916, the eastern end of Lost Lagoon was cut off from Coal Harbour (Clifford, 1932). While there is a carp population that was seeded in the lagoon, it is recognized that, due to its artificial design, Lost Lagoon is primarily an aesthetic feature in the park and not a sensitive aquatic habitat (Kerr Wood Leidal Associates Ltd., 1999). Compared to other habitats in Stanley Park, the aquatic life in Lost Lagoon is generally tolerant to changes in salinity and water quality conditions but it was recognized during the design of the stormwater management plan in 1999 that the input of additional stormwater to Lost Lagoon should not reduce the quality of Lost Lagoon. In order to maintain the water elevation in Lost Lagoon, it is augmented by the city drinking water supply through use of a fountain. Originally, it was thought that stormwater from the causeway could supplement the inflow from the fountain but calculations proved that the stormwater inflow from the causeway would be negligible.

Before installation of the engineered wetland, the Stanley Park causeway was drained by catch basins which discharged stormwater into ditches on both sides of the road. This allowed the pollutants from the roadway to extend directly from the ditches into forested sections of Stanley Park. The new and revised drainage plan included a number of features to prevent contamination from the roadway from reaching forested areas. The causeway drainage plan had a number of provisions including:

- Two oil/water stormceptors – Stormceptor Model #3000 online with the storm sewer and located on the upper end of the causeway near the pedestrian overpass and Stormceptor Model #4000 located near the Lost Lagoon wetland system;
- A single discharge point for stormwater runoff located at the northeast corner of Lost Lagoon;
- Ditch subdrains for redirection of clean shallow groundwater directly to existing creek systems;
- A flow diversion structure at Lost Lagoon; and
- An engineered wetland including a settling forebay and flow augmentation structure.

The city drainage plan was said to ‘end’ at the discharge point of the stormceptor but the installation of engineered wetlands or ‘marshes’ was said to be required before discharging to Lost Lagoon.

The required size of the engineered wetland to be installed near Lost Lagoon was based on a design storm of 46 mm of rain in 24-hours as this was calculated to be ‘on-average’ the largest storm that would occur

within a six-month return period. The peak flow and total volume for the design storm were calculated to be 21 L/s and 1022 m³, respectively. Comparatively, the causeway storm sewer system was designed for a 100-year return period storm. Thus, flows exiting the causeway during infrequently occurring large storms were designed to be diverted around the treatment wetland.

The final design of the Lost Lagoon wetland required construction of a berm to physically cut the wetland out of space along the side slope of Lost Lagoon. When the wetland was designed, sediments and low levels of oils, greases, nutrients, and organic matter were the primary contaminants of concern. De-icing salts were not considered to be of concern as the causeway very rarely requires de-icing. Thus, the wetland was designed to optimize removal of particulate matter through settling and removal of dissolved contaminants through adsorption on soil and bacterial processes associated with plant uptake.

The engineered wetland was designed to include several separate components for removal of various types of pollutants. Figure 4 illustrates these components. The major components include:

- A flow diversion structure, allowing flows greater than 25 L/s to bypass the wetland in order to prevent scouring and flooding;
- A sedimentation forebay, promoting settling of particles, including grit and particle-bound contaminants;
- Marsh terraces, allowing sustained contact between stormwater and soil and plant matter through extended settling, adsorption, and biological removal;
- Deep pools, contributing to biological diversity, increasing biological removal;
- Plants (e.g. *Carex* and *Scirpex*) specifically sourced to improve contaminant de-mobilization;
- An outlet structure, promoting a long residence time (2 weeks), eliminating short-circuiting and dead zones;
- Base flow inlets, helping sustain plant life during dry seasons by diverting surface watercourses if needed; and
- An augmentation structure, allowing movement of lagoon water into the forebay in the event that supplemental water is required in a drought year.



Figure 4. Illustration of the Lost Lagoon Wetland (Kerr Wood Leidal Associates Ltd., 1999)

2.4.4.2.2 *Installation*

Following its design, the Lost Lagoon wetland was constructed during the summer of 2000 and was fully commissioned for stormwater treatment in the spring of 2001. During construction, the water level in Lost Lagoon was lowered to the lowest feasible level based on environmental and aesthetic considerations. A silt curtain was set down and construction of the berm commenced first. Construction of the wetland's pools and marshes followed with subsequent construction of the access point and staging. Time was provided for expected settling and then final landscaping and planting was performed. This coincided with a monitoring and inspection plan for sediment and design quality. Figure 5 through Figure 10 are pictures, courtesy of KWL, that illustrate the installation and final wetland as commissioned in year 2001.



Figure 5. Laying of Silt Curtain



Figure 8. Vegetation Planted



Figure 6. Construction of the Berm



Figure 9. Aerial Shot Facing Northwest



Figure 7. Excavation of the Pools and Marshes



Figure 10. Aerial Shot Facing Southeast

2.4.4.2.3 *Maintenance and Monitoring Regime*

The BC Ministry of Transportation is responsible for the drainage sewer system, including both stormceptors and the Vancouver Board of Parks and Recreation is responsible for operating and maintaining the wetland and surrounding features.

The maintenance and monitoring regime for the wetland, as recommended by consultants at KWL includes several elements that occur during different seasons of the year and periodically. These elements are summarized in Table 5. Interestingly, there is no requirement for water or sediment quality testing, or testing of the treatment efficacy. Monitoring is performed only by visual inspection. KWL can be contacted directly for the manual on maintenance and monitoring of the Lost Lagoon wetland.

Table 5. *Elements of the Lost Lagoon Wetland Maintenance and Monitoring Regime* (Kerr Wood Leidal, 2002)

| <i>Period</i> | <i>Activity</i> |
|----------------------------------|--|
| Monthly | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Visually inspect the inlet pool, wetland marsh, inlet and outlet chambers, and Stormceptor • Record the Lost Lagoon water level at the Lagoon outlet • Check the wetland water level and record the level at the outlet flow control chamber • Remove trash • Check that people are not entering or damaging the riparian areas |
| Spring Maintenance (April) | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Inspect and repair observation platforms and interpretive signs • Clean out the Stormceptors • Flush the inlet flow control chamber • Flush the outlet flow control chamber • Adjust the water level in Lost Lagoon to between 0.8 m and 0.9 m • Adjust the wetland outlet weir to an elevation 1.20 m • Remove weeds and undesirable plants by hand |
| Summer Maintenance (July-August) | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Inspect plants for water stress • Augment inflow or irrigate if required |
| Fall Maintenance (October) | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Clean out the Stormceptor • Flush the inlet flow control chamber • Flush the outlet flow control chamber • Adjust the water level in Lost Lagoon to 0.6 m • Adjust the wetland outlet weir to elevation 1.15 m |
| Winter Maintenance (December) | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Flush the inlet flow control chamber |
| Annual Tasks | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Inspect wetland plants for presence, abundance and condition • Inspect bottom contours and water depths relative to plans • Inspect sediment and outlet conditions • If plant harvesting for nutrient control is desired, perform in the late summer |
| Periodic Tasks | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2002, inspect plants twice per month during the summer • 2011, sediment removal |
| Every 5 Years | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Settlement survey • Infill/replant wetland plants |

2.4.4.3 Best Management Practices Employed in the Lost Lagoon Wetland Design

When it was designed in 1999, the Lost Lagoon wetland employed many of the best management practices available to engineers. This was due to a strong desire by the City of Vancouver and the design consultants, KWL, to produce an effective and lasting treatment site in this high profile, public location. The best management practices incorporated into the wetland design for stormwater treatment included:

- Installation of two stormceptors for overflow protection;
 - The first stormceptor reduces the degree of emulsification of spilled materials with stormwater by reducing the distance that contaminants travel before capture, thus increasing capture efficiency.
- Installation of a flow diversion structure, preventing scouring, flooding and washout of the wetland;
- Inclusion of a valved outlet from the forebay to the Lost Lagoon, allowing the marsh to be bypassed during maintenance;
- Sizing the settling forebay to treat a 6-month return period design storm, allowing adequate treatment of most rainfall events that occur on the causeway;
- Sizing the wetland as a whole to have a long enough hydraulic retention time (2 weeks) to allow for adequate contaminant removal;
- Variation of the depths of terraces in the marsh system, allowing a diversity of plant and biotic life to take part in pollutant removal processes;
- Inclusion of deep pools and low-flow channels, facilitating pollutant removal mechanisms;
- Inclusion of an outlet setting pool, increasing stormwater residence time and reducing short-circuiting and under-treatment;
- Incorporation of an adjustable weir at the outlet, ensuring the water level in the marsh remains constant;
- Diversion of surface flow from nearby creeks, preventing flushing of the wetland during winter storms; and
- Inclusion of an irrigation connection along the length of the wetland berm for the case of an extreme drought, eliminating the need to add water from Lost Lagoon to the wetland as this could introduce algae and excessive sediment loads to the wetland.

The design consultants have a high interest in knowing whether these best management practices have contributed to the treatment efficacy of the wetland and this interest has been incorporated into the objectives of this study.

2.4.4.4 Previous Stormwater Quantity and Quality Data

2.4.4.4.1 Year 2000: Drainage Area and Calculation of Design Flow

In 1999, staff at KWL calculated the drainage area feeding into the Lost Lagoon wetland to be 2.7 hectares. This drainage area along with precipitation data from a nearby weather station in North Vancouver was used to model the 6-month design storm flow, using the PC-SWMM model (James, 2010). The calculations determined that a wetland design based on a maximum flow rate of 21 L/s would be able to treat over 92% of flow exiting the causeway on a yearly basis. Figure 11 illustrates the design hydrograph as retrieved from Kerr Wood Leidal Consulting Engineers Ltd. (1999)

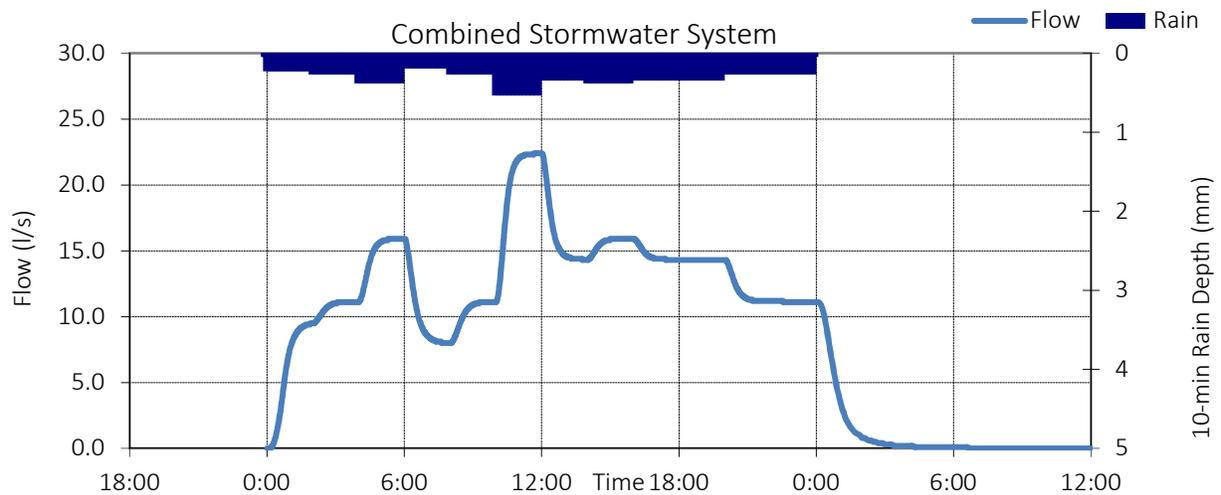


Figure 11. Design Hydrograph for Lost Lagoon Wetland (adapted from Kerr Wood Leidal, 1999)

2.4.4.4.2 Year 2007: UBC Undergraduate Thesis

In 2007, a group of undergraduate students, in the UBC Earth and Oceans Sciences Honors Environmental Science Program, performed an analysis on the Lost Lagoon wetland to evaluate its effectiveness so that the City of Vancouver could plan future maintenance. *Carex obnupta* and *Scirpus acutus* plant samples and sediment grab samples were collected at several locations between the wetland's inlet and outlet. The group's findings indicated that plants in the wetland had accumulated several metals associated with stormwater and that the water flowrate through the wetland contributed to higher metal uptake for plants. In addition, significant reductions in metal concentrations in the sediment were found for all metals except for arsenic. The group found that metal concentrations in the sediment were highest along the edges of the wetland, indicating that the water residence time led to an increase in the deposition of metals. Figure 12 illustrates the locations that the student group sampled for plants and sediment. Table 7 lists the mean metal concentrations for the plant and sediment samples, respectively.

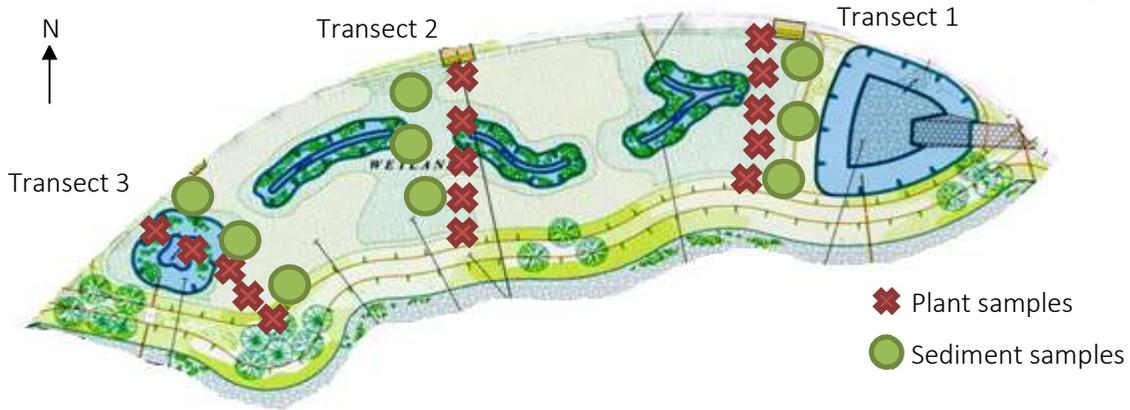


Figure 12. 2007 Sample Sites in Lost Lagoon for Plants and Sediment (adapted from Thoren et al., 2007)

Table 6. 2007 Results for Plant Specimens in Lost Lagoon Wetland (Thoren et al., 2007)

| Metal | Concentration in Carex (ppm) | | | | Concentration in Scirpus (ppm) | | |
|-------|------------------------------|------------|------------|---------|--------------------------------|------------|------------|
| | Transect 1 | Transect 2 | Transect 3 | Outside | Transect 1 | Transect 2 | Transect 3 |
| Cd | 1.1 | 2.8 | 0.37 | 0.5 | 0.66 | 0.53 | 0.33 |
| Cu | 75.2 | 119.7 | 30.3 | 24.9 | 68.0 | 38.7 | 30.2 |
| Mn | 383.3 | 730.7 | 664.3 | 453.0 | 311.0 | 580.7 | 463.7 |
| Pb | 26.4 | 34.3 | 8.95 | 6.21 | 30.1 | 9.69 | 7.76 |
| Zn | 146.0 | 236.0 | 77.7 | 0.44 | 109.1 | 184.0 | 97.6 |

Table 7. 2007 Results for Sediment Samples in Lost Lagoon Wetland (Thoren et al., 2007)

| Metal | Mean Inlet Concentration (mg/kg dry weight) | Mean Outlet Concentration (mg/kg dry weight) | Percentage Decrease (%) |
|-------|---|--|-------------------------|
| As | 3.9 | 2.5 | 36.4 |
| Cd | 0.5 | 0.1 | 73.1 |
| Cr | 28.7 | 20.6 | 28.3 |
| Cu | 66.9 | 23.9 | 64.3 |
| Pb | 27.4 | 5.3 | 80.6 |
| Ni | 26.7 | 21.7 | 18.7 |
| Zn | 132.0 | 57.8 | 56.2 |

Thoren et al (2007) employed a simple regression model to relate metal concentrations to the distance from the outlet.

$$y = ae^{-kx}$$

Where,

- a represents the y-intercept of the graph;
- k represents the slope or removal efficiency; and
- x represents the distance along the wetland.

Regression analysis was accompanied by R² and p-values, which represent the accuracy and suitability of the exponential model and the significance of the decrease, respectively. These results are summarized in Table 8.

Table 8. 2007 Regression Analysis Results for Sediment Samples in Lost Lagoon Wetland (Thoren et al., 2007)

| <i>Metal</i> | <i>R²</i> | <i>k-value</i> | <i>t-value</i> | <i>P> t (p-value)</i> |
|--------------|----------------------|----------------|----------------|---------------------------|
| As | 0.348 | -0.00693 | -2.63 | 0.0207 |
| Cd | 0.614 | -0.02083 | -4.55 | 0.0005 |
| Cr | 0.494 | -0.00618 | -3.56 | 0.0035 |
| Cu | 0.549 | -0.01681 | -3.97 | 0.0016 |
| Pb | 0.549 | -0.02414 | -5.18 | 0.0002 |
| Zn | 0.6352 | -0.01314 | -4.76 | 0.0004 |

Thoren et al also compared the mean, maximum, and minimum metal concentrations in the sediment to average metal concentration in the soil of Washington State. These results are summarized in Table 9.

Table 9. Comparison of 2007 Wetland Results with Sediment Data for Washington State (Thoren et al., 2007)

| <i>Metal</i> | <i>Washington State (g/kg dry weight)¹</i> | <i>Lost Lagoon Wetland Mean (mg/kg dry weight)²</i> | <i>Lost Lagoon Wetland Max (mg/kg dry weight)²</i> | <i>Lost Lagoon Wetland Min (mg/kg dry weight)²</i> |
|--------------|---|--|---|---|
| As | 4.5 | 3.0 | 5.3 | 1.1 |
| Cd | 0.8 | 0.4 | 1.7 | 0.1 |
| Cr | 49.9 | 25.5 | 47.3 | 17.5 |
| Cu | 31 | 221 | 53.1 | 18.4 |
| Pb | 14 | 19.5 | 82.7 | 4.3 |
| Zn | 78 | 103.4 | 288.0 | 54.7 |

¹ (Washington State Department of Transportation, 2007)

² (Thoren et al., 2007)

Overall, the results from the 2007 assessment provide a promising reason to use the Lost Lagoon wetland as a research site for development of a genomics tool. Both plant and sediment samples indicate metals are retained within the wetland and stormwater treatment is occurring successfully. However, further evidence of these conclusions is still needed, using more recent samples and a greater depth of sampling.

2.4.4.4.3 Year 2013: Vancouver Board of Parks and Recreation Sediment Dredging Report

In 2013, the City of Vancouver contracted Hemmera environmental consultants to perform an in-situ investigation of the sediment quality in the Lost Lagoon wetland. This project was executed in order to confirm that the sediment would not be classified as a hazardous waste prior to dredging and disposing of the sediment in a landfill. Grab samples were taken from eight locations in the wetland forebay and the samples from five of the eight locations underwent laboratory analysis. These locations are illustrated in Figure 13. Hemmera also unsuccessfully attempted to extract core sediment samples from the wetland but further results of this attempt were not recorded in their report.

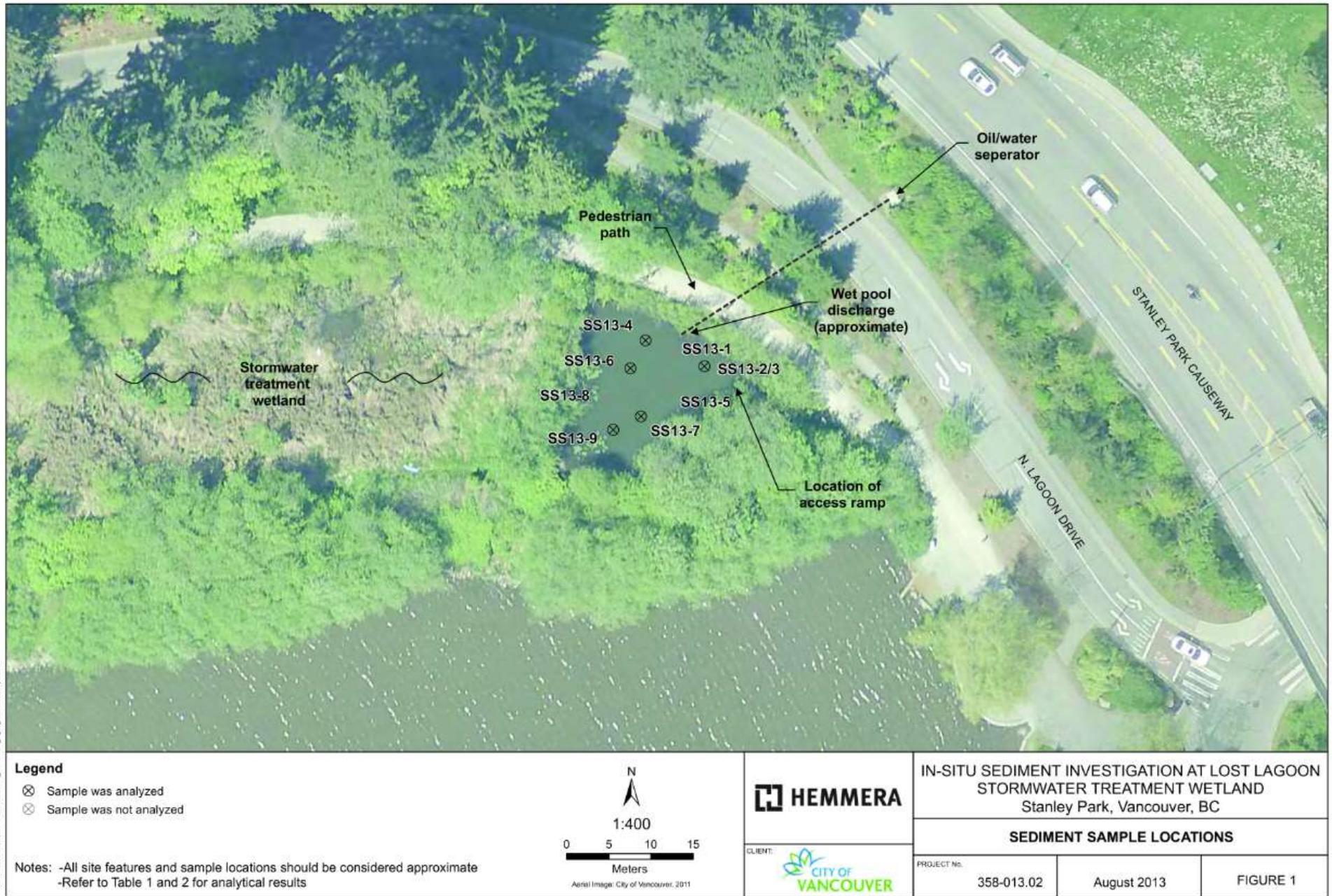


Figure 13. Locations Sampled by Hemmera During the 2013 Sediment Investigation (Hemmera, 2013)

Field observations were recorded at the time of sampling and included the following:

- “The sediment substrate at the sampling locations generally consisted of dark grey to black sand with trace silt, gravel, organics, and pine needles;
- No marine fauna was observed by Hemmera;
- A hydrogen sulfide (H₂S) odor was noted in the majority of the sediment samples collected;
- No petroleum hydrocarbon sheens were observed in the collected samples. However, a petroleum hydrocarbon-like odor was observed in two samples; and
- The moisture content measured in the sample ranged from 68.8%-72.8%.” (Hemmera, 2013)

The results provided by the laboratory analysis offer a number of important observations. Each sample submitted had concentrations of one or more metal constituents above soil guidelines and these constituents primarily included antimony, chromium, copper, molybdenum, lead and zinc. In addition, all samples had concentrations of HEPH above standards. Sodium and chloride ions as well as VOCs, PCBs, chlorinated hydrocarbons, and chlorinated/non-chlorinated phenols were measured to be below the allowable levels. *Table 10* summarizes the regulatory levels and concentrations measured in the sediment of the Lost Lagoon wetland for the constituents of primary interest. These measurements indicate that a high contaminant loading was deposited and retained in the wetland forebay in the ten years prior to when the forebay was dredged.

Table 10. BC Residential Soil Standards and Metal Concentrations Measured in the Sediment of the Lost Lagoon Wetland Forebay

| Metal | Regulatory Standard (mg/kg dry weight) ¹ | Measured Range (mg/kg dry weight) ² | % In Excess |
|------------|--|---|-------------|
| Antimony | 20 | 25-65 | 20-225 |
| Chromium | 100 | 100-140 | 0-40 |
| Copper | 90-150 | 350-650 | 153-620 |
| Lead | 150 | 160-240 | 7-60 |
| Molybdenum | 10 | 11-30 | 10-200 |
| Zinc | 450 | 600-1200 | 33-160 |

¹ (British Columbia Ministry of Water, Land and Air Protection, 2011)

² (Hemmera, 2013)

2.5 Methodology

The primary focus of this chapter was to demonstrate that, overall, the Lost Lagoon wetland is meeting treatment guidelines and to lay the groundwork for the microbial analyses in Chapter 2. With this goal in mind, a strategic methodology was developed for the Lost Lagoon wetland field study. Specifically, sediment quality and long term treatment trends in the wetland were of greatest concern for the environmental sampling. A detailed description of the methodology employed to answer the objectives and hypotheses listed at the beginning of this chapter is supplied here.

2.5.1 Site Visits and Sampling Regime

2.5.1.1 Field Site Survey and Conditions at the Time of the Field Study Site Visit

On April 23, 2015 at 8:00 AM, an initial field site survey was conducted to assess the conditions of the wetland. GPS coordinates and digital photographs were taken at all points of interest and locations that indicated damage to the wetland features. Figure 14 illustrates a map of the field site and GPS locations of the photos.

Figure 15 through Figure 26 illustrate some of the relevant photos from the site visit. The initial site survey indicated that all of the major elements of the wetland were intact and are being maintained. However, there were signs of beaver activity, which required further investigation with park staff members.



Figure 14. Survey Map of Field Site



Figure 15. Lost Lagoon



Figure 18. Access Point for the Lower Stormceptor



Figure 16. On Site Graphic of Treatment Process



Figure 19. Wetland Bypass to Lost Lagoon



Figure 17. Storm Sewer on the Stanley Park Causeway

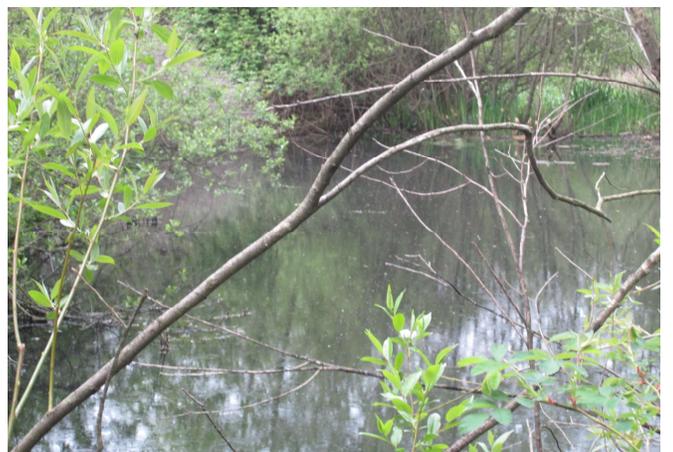


Figure 20. Setting Forebay



Figure 21. High Marsh



Figure 24. Signs of Beaver Activity at Lost Lagoon



Figure 22. Low Marsh



Figure 25. Access Point for the Wetland Outlet Control Valve System



Figure 23. Sections of Low Marsh Showing Plant Damage and Beaver Activity



Figure 26. Outlet Point to Lost Lagoon

2.5.1.2 Sampling Locations and Dates

As sediment quality and long term treatment trends in the wetland were of greatest concern for the environmental sampling, the sampling locations and dates was optimized to obtain results that could both verify the treatment performance of the wetland and add to the microbial analyses in Chapter 2.

The hypotheses in this study require that there are differences in the sediment quality at the front and back end of the wetland. Therefore, initially a ‘search sampling’ methodology (Gilbert, 1987) was applied in order to divide the wetland into 6 areas for comparison as illustrated in Figure 27. These areas included:

1. The lower stormceptor;
2. The East side of the forebay, closest to the inlet pipe;
3. The centre of the forebay;
4. The West side of the forebay, furthest from the inlet pipe;
5. The settling pool closest to the outlet pipe; and
6. The exit pipe from the wetland, at the shore of Lost Lagoon.



Figure 27. Field Study Sampling Locations at the Lost Lagoon Wetland

In order to reduce the size of the comparison areas but retain statistical significance, the comparison areas were further divided into 1-m² plots and a ‘systematic sampling’ methodology (Gilbert, 1987) was applied to select study plots at equal intervals using an aligned grid. Sampling of the study plots was also performed using systematic sampling, where samples were taken from the four corners and the center of each plot.

Seven samplings of the wetland occurred between July and December of 2015. As the sample area in the wetland was relatively large, compared to the resources available to the research team, not all study plots could be sampled on a given study day. The implications of this are further discussed in the Limitations and Recommendations sections of this thesis.

Since sampling was to occur on public land in a treatment space that provides habitat for local birds and inner-city animals, great care was taken during the sampling process to reduce damage to the site. In addition, sampling plans were approved by staff at both the Vancouver Board of Parks and Recreation and at the Stanley Park Ecology Society. Documentation of approval and support for this study can be found in Appendix H.

During the sampling events, three mediums were sampled – surface sediment at the wetland floor, sediment at a depth of 10 cm below the wetland floor, and water at the soil-water interface. In some cases, inaccessibility or inoperable equipment limited the number of samples that could be taken. This is further discussed in the study’s Limitations section.

Table 11 summarizes the samples, which were taken from the field study site and Figure 28 provides an overview of the field sampling process.

Table 11. Field Study Samples Taken

| Site Number | Description | # Days Sampled | Dates | Sample Medias |
|-------------|----------------------|----------------|-------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| 1 | Stormceptor | 1 | Dec 16 | Water |
| 2.1 | NW Corner Forebay | 3 | Sept 9, Oct 21, Dec 16 | Water, depth and surface sediment |
| 2.2 | N Centre Forebay | 2 | Nov 11, Dec 16 | Water, surface sediment |
| 2.3 | NE Corner Forebay | 3 | Oct 6, Nov 11, Dec 16 | Water, depth and surface sediment |
| 3.1 | W Centre Forebay | 2 | July 21, Sept 9, Oct 21 | Water, depth and surface sediment |
| 3.2 | Centre Forebay | 2 | Oct 21, Nov 11 | Water, depth and surface sediment |
| 3.3 | E Centre Forebay | 2 | Oct 6, Nov 11 | Water, depth and surface sediment |
| 4.1 | SW Corner Forebay | 3 | July 21, Sept 9, Oct 21 | Water, depth and surface sediment |
| 4.2 | S Centre Forebay | 2 | Oct 21, Nov 11 | Water, depth and surface sediment |
| 4.3 | SE Corner Forebay | 2 | Oct 6, Nov 11 | Water, depth and surface sediment |
| 5.1 | NW Settling Pond | 2 | Sept 22, Nov 11 | Water, depth and surface sediment |
| 5.2 | Centre Settling Pond | 2 | Sept 22, Nov 11 | Water, depth and surface sediment |
| 5.3 | SE Settling Pond | 2 | Sept 22, Nov 11 | Water, depth and surface sediment |
| 6.1 | W Exit | 3 | July 21, Sept 9, Oct 21 | Water, depth and surface sediment |
| 6.2 | Centre Exit | 3 | July 21, Sept 9, Oct 21 | Water, depth and surface sediment |
| 6.3 | E Exit | 3 | July 21, Sept 9, Oct 21 | Water, depth and surface sediment |

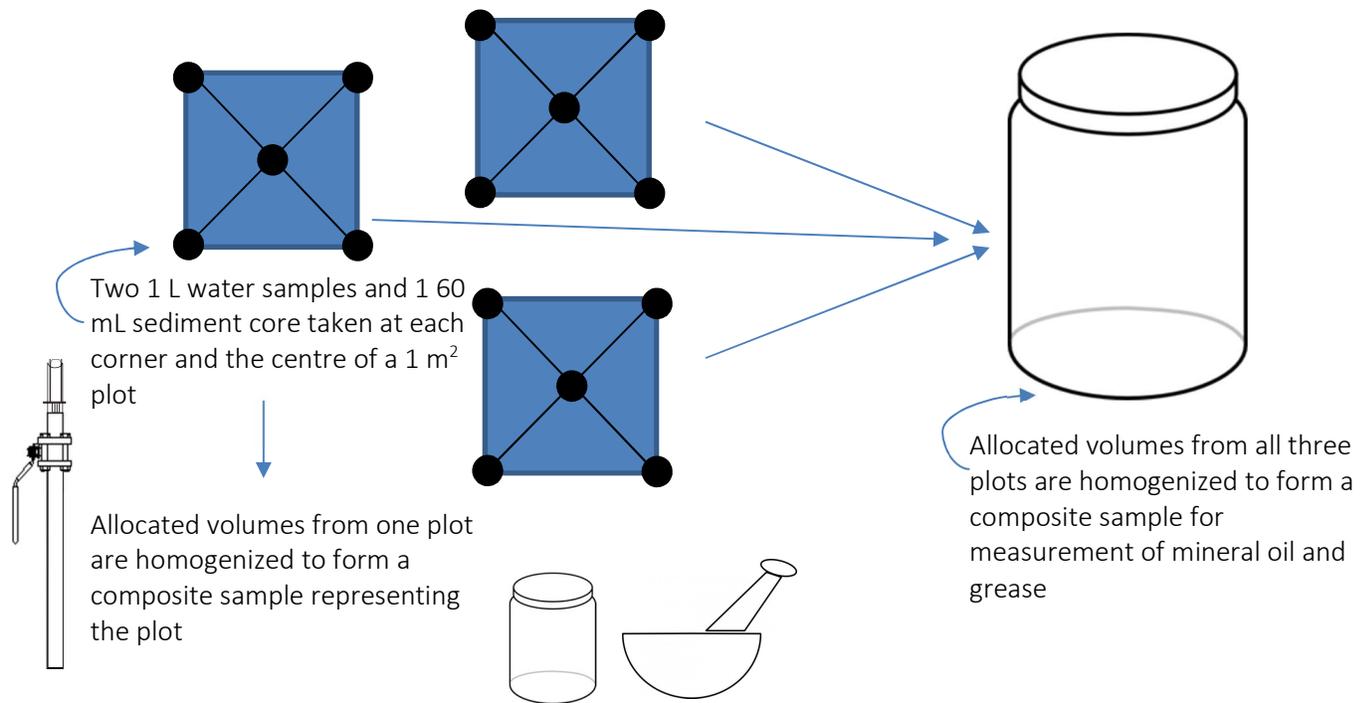


Figure 28. Overview of Field Sampling Process

2.5.1.3 Water Sampling Equipment

As illustrated in Figure 29, a syphon (Col-Parmar WZ-70607-00) and plastic tubing were used to extract two 1-L samples from each sampling location. All samples were taken while the researcher sat in a small dinghy.



Figure 29. Image of the Water Sampling Equipment

2.5.1.4 Sediment Sampling Equipment

Sampling of sediment in the wetland represented a major challenge. Particularly in the wetland forebay, because the water depth exceeded 2 m in some locations, great care and accuracy was required to obtain a core of sediment. There was variability in the quality and consistency of the sediment with some areas being sandy soils and other areas being primarily clayey soils. In addition, sampling for microbiology and an interest in differences in the sediment at the surface of the wetland floor and below the surface of the wetland floor created additional challenges to ensure that mixing of the sediment layers did not occur during sampling.

During method development, different apparatuses were tested for their ability to extract and hold a sediment core. After several trials, a successful custom sediment core sampler was built. To build the apparatus, first a 60-mL syringe with a diameter of $\frac{3}{4}$ inches was fit at the nose end to a ball valve. The ball valve was connected to a PVC pipe to be used as a sampling rod. Next, two circular stainless steel fittings were clamped over the handle of the syringe. Two screws were driven through the metals fittings and copper rods were connected to the screws. A second 60 mL syringe was clamped to the tail end of the first syringe using stainless steel fittings and a plastic O-ring. Two stainless steel fittings were clamped over each end of the handle of the second syringe and removable screws were driven through the stainless steel clamps and screwed into the copper rods. The nose of the second syringe was sanded off so that this end of the sampler could be driven into the wetland soil using a rubber mallet. After taking a sample, the second syringe was unscrewed and unhooked from the rest of the apparatus and a new syringe was put in place. This process was repeated for each sample. Figure 30 illustrates the sediment core sampling apparatus.

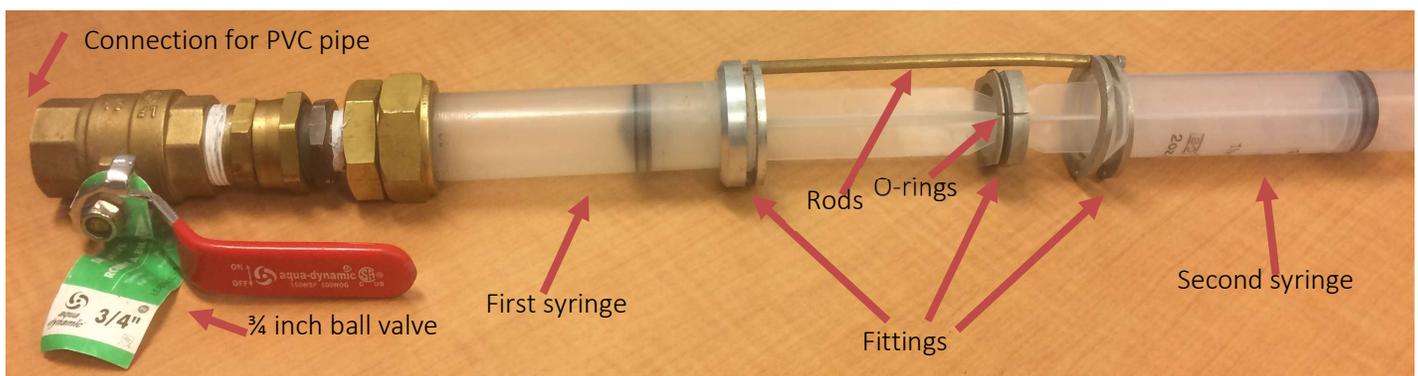


Figure 30. Photograph of the Sediment Sampler

2.5.1.5 Sample Collection, Preservation, Storage and Transport

2.5.1.5.1 *Water Samples*

Two 1 L samples were taken above the wetland floor using a syphon and plastic tubing. After a sample was taken, it was immediately poured into a clean 1 L plastic bottle and labelled. The syphon and tubing were then rinsed with distilled water and 90% ethanol solution.

The plastics bottles were brought back to shore, where a small field lab processing site was set up. 500 mL of each sample was poured into a clean wide mouthed plastic bottle and immediately tested for environmental parameters using a YSI probe. On site measurements were recorded for DO, pH, temperature, conductivity, and redox potential.

Composite water samples were prepared to represent each plot and preserved on site using the following protocols.

- Total Organic Carbon (TOC)
 - Add 25 mL from each of 5 1-L bottles
 - Add 1 drop H_3PO_4
 - Place in cooler on ice
- Chemical Oxygen Demand (COD)
 - Add 20 mL from each of 5 1-L bottles
 - Add 1 drop H_2SO_4
 - Place in cooler on ice
- Metals
 - Add 10 mL from each of 5 1-L bottles
 - Add 1 drop HNO_3
 - Place in cooler on ice
- Turbidity/Total Suspended Solids (TSS)
 - Add 100 mL from each of 5 1-L bottles
 - Place in cooler on ice
- Mineral Oil and Grease (MO&G)
 - Add 50 mL from each of 15 1-L bottles (3 sets of 5)
 - Add 2 drops H_2SO_4
 - Place in cooler on ice

Samples were also homogenized for microbial analysis. This method is described in Chapter 2.

Water samples for environmental parameters were stored on ice and transported by truck to the CEME Environmental Laboratory at UBC. The samples were stored at <4 Celsius until further processing and analysis.

2.5.1.5.2 *Sediment Samples*

During sampling, the researcher used a hard rubber mallet to drive the sampling apparatus into the sediment at the location of interest. The researcher then carefully pulled up the sampler, removed the syringe from the sampler apparatus, and wrapped both ends of the syringe in laboratory grade aluminum foil that was previously disinfected with ethanol. The syringe was immediately placed in a cooler on dry ice. For the next sampling event, the sampler was cleaned with ethanol and a new clean syringe was attached using an Allen key.

Sediment samples for were stored on dry ice and transported by truck to the CEME Environmental Laboratory at UBC. The samples were stored at <-20 Celsius until analyzed.

2.5.2 Laboratory Analysis of Water Quality Parameters

2.5.2.1 Sample Handling and Preservation

All equipment that was to come into contact with sediment was soaked in 10% bleach solution for a minimum of 24 hours prior to sample handling. All equipment was rinsed with nitric acid and then cleaned with 90% disinfectant grade ethanol between sampling.

Sediment samples remained in the plastic syringes and were frozen at <-20 Celsius until further processing. Frozen syringes were then removed from the freezer. The first 1-cm of sediment content in the five syringes which corresponded to one sample plot were cut from each sediment sample and placed in a mortar. To keep the samples frozen during processing, the mortar was placed in a stainless steel bowl that was filled with crushed dry ice. The sediment was ground and homogenized to a fine consistency using a pestle and any large rocks and sticks were pulled out prior to placing the ground sample into a disinfected plastic Ziploc bag. Samples were placed back in the freezer at <-20°C until further processing. The same process was followed for the last 1-cm of each sediment core. By this means, both the surface sediment and sediment at a depth of 10-cm could be analyzed.

2.5.2.2 Analytical Methods

The researcher applied standard environmental laboratory tests based on equipment available in the CEME Environmental laboratory. The laboratory tests employed for each environmental parameter were:

- Environmental parameters – YSI handheld multi-parameter instrument;
- MO&G – USA EPA Method 1664 (United States Environmental Protection Agency, 1999);
- TOC – USA EPA Method 415.3 (Potter & Wimsatt, 2005);
- COD – Hach Method 8000 (Hach, 2008);
- Turbidity – USA EPA Method 180.1 (O’Del, 1993); and
- TSS – Hach Gravimetric Method 8158 (Hach, 2007)

Due to high organic content in the samples, water samples were digested for metal analysis using a custom protocol based on EPA method 3050-B (United States Environmental Protection Agency, 1996) described in Appendix A. Metals were analyzed using ICP-OES on a Varian Liberty 100/200 apparatus. Samples were analyzed in triplicate and measurements included analysis of procedural and field blanks.

2.5.3 Statistical Analyses

Analyses of the main parameters of interest, metals and mineral oil and grease, were first performed through visual assessment of the data. To compare the metal concentrations at each plot, bar graphs were prepared to illustrate the average concentrations of each metal that is associated with stormwater. Boxplots of the concentrations for each metal were used to provide a visual assessment of the symmetry of the distribution and the variability in the concentrations between the wetland entry (Site 2, 3, and 4) and the wetland exit (Site 5). Each media (water, surface sediment, and 10-cm depth sediment) was visualized individually because it is expected that that these medias will behave differently.

In order to compare the measured environmental pollutant and metal concentrations, Wilcoxon paired rank tests were performed between the results measured at the wetland entry, exit and the Lost Lagoon. The Wilcoxon rank test is the equivalent to the common paired student t-test for comparison of two means. However, the Wilcoxon rank test does not assume that the measurements are normally distributed and for this reason, the Wilcoxon rank test carries somewhat less weight. However, environmental samples tend not be normally distributed due to outliers at high concentration levels; thus, in this case, the Wilcoxon rank test is a better fit for the data.

2.6 Results and Interpretation

In this section results and interpretation are supplied for the laboratory tests. Each environmental parameter is illustrated as a bar graph by plot and then by a boxplot between the wetland entry (Sites 2, 3, and 4), wetland exit (Site 5) and Lost Lagoon (Site 6). This method of visualization allows for comparison first along the width and length of the wetland and then between the major locations at the field site. After

the visual illustration, statistical comparisons are calculated. An interpretation of the data is supplied prior to the figures and statistical calculations.

2.6.1 Turbidity, Total Suspended Solids, Chemical Oxygen Demand and Total Organic Carbon

2.6.1.1 Interpretation

Turbidity, TSS, COD, and TOC cannot be directly attributed to the stormwater entering the wetland from the roadway because sampling was performed during the autumn season and leaf matter from overhanging trees deposited directly into the wetland and contributed to the high solids content during the study period. That being said, a similar relationship for turbidity, TSS, COD, and TOC was observed between the various sites where water was sampled in the Lost Lagoon wetland. Generally, these parameters were measured to have higher averages in the wetland inlet than in the wetland outlet and also higher averages in the Lost Lagoon than in the wetland outlet. Figure 31 through Figure 38 graphically illustrate the relationship that was observed.

In *Table 12* through *Table 14*, a significant statistical difference is interpreted when $p < 0.05$, or in other words, when there is at least 95% confidence that interpreting two medians as being different occurs when the two medians are truly different. No significant differences in the medians of turbidity, TSS, TOC, and/or COD were calculated between the wetland entry, wetland exit, and the Lost Lagoon. This is likely due to the high range of measurements over the sampling period caused by the contribution of organic matter over the autumn sampling season.

2.6.1.2 Turbidity Figures

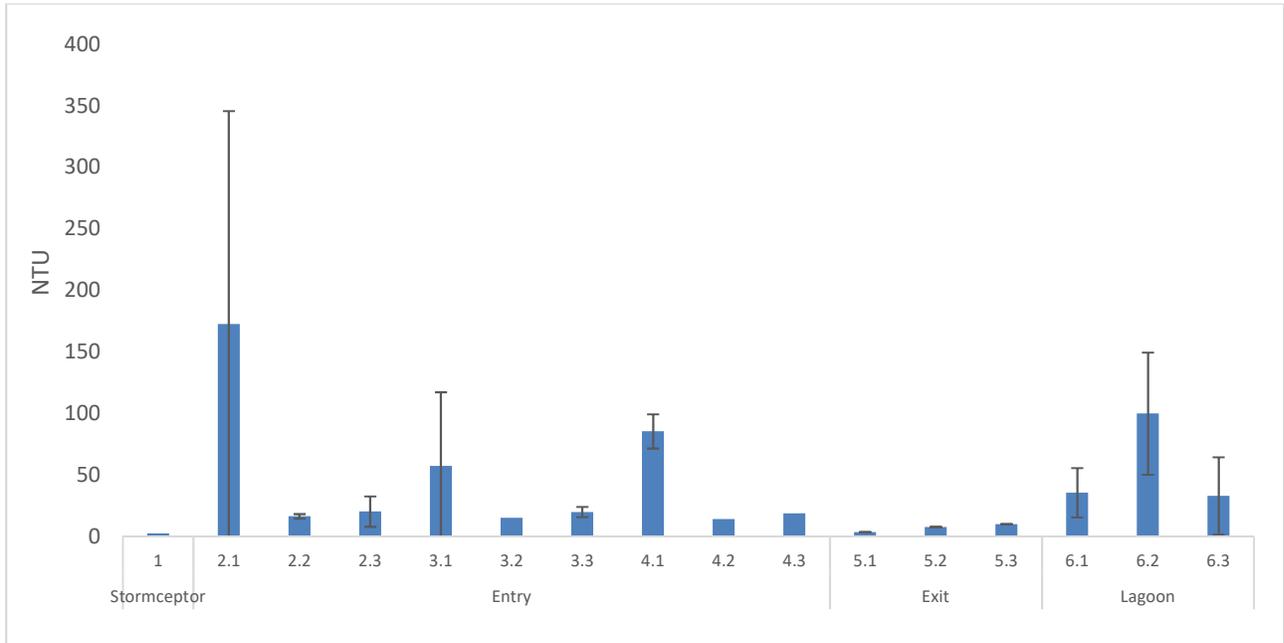


Figure 31. Barplot Comparison by Plot of Turbidity in Water Samples Collected During the Field Study

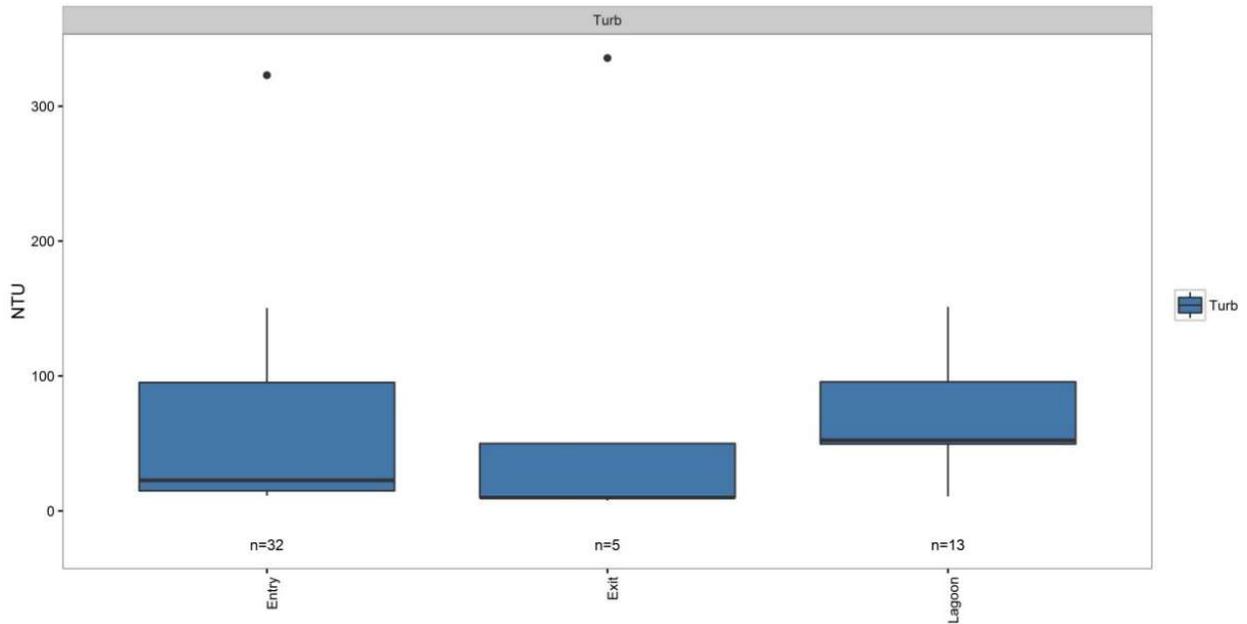


Figure 32. Boxplot Comparison of Turbidity in Water Samples Collected During the Field Study

2.6.1.3 Totals Suspended Solids Figures

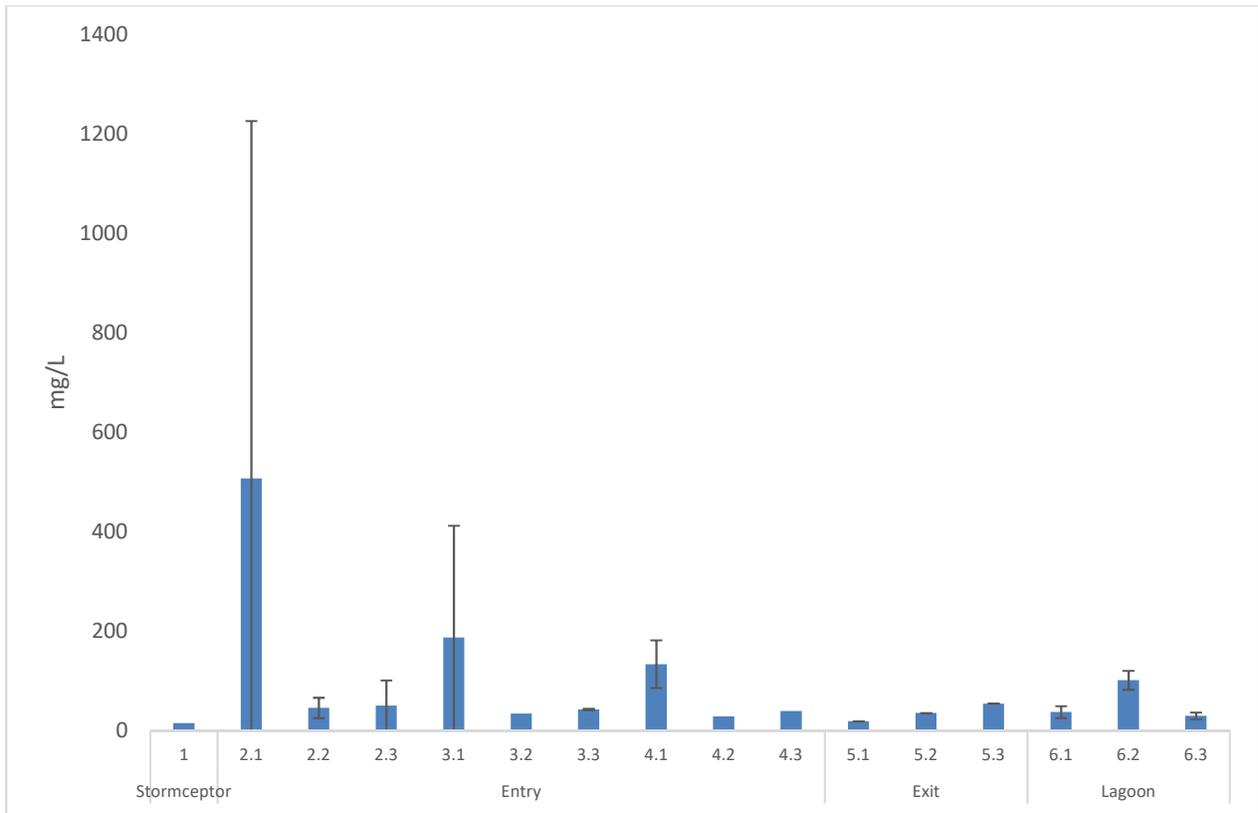


Figure 33. Barplot Comparison by Plot of TSS in Water Samples Collected During the Field Study

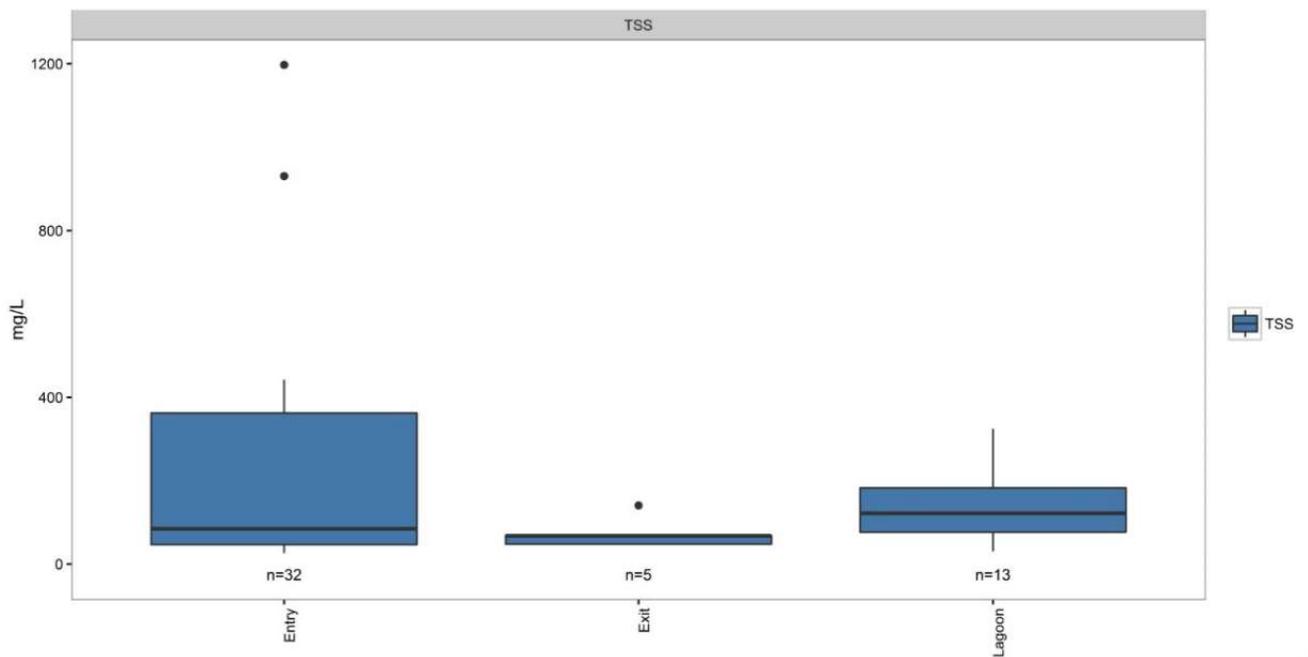


Figure 34 Boxplot Comparison of TSS in Water Samples Collected During the Field Study

2.6.1.4 Chemical Oxygen Demand Figures

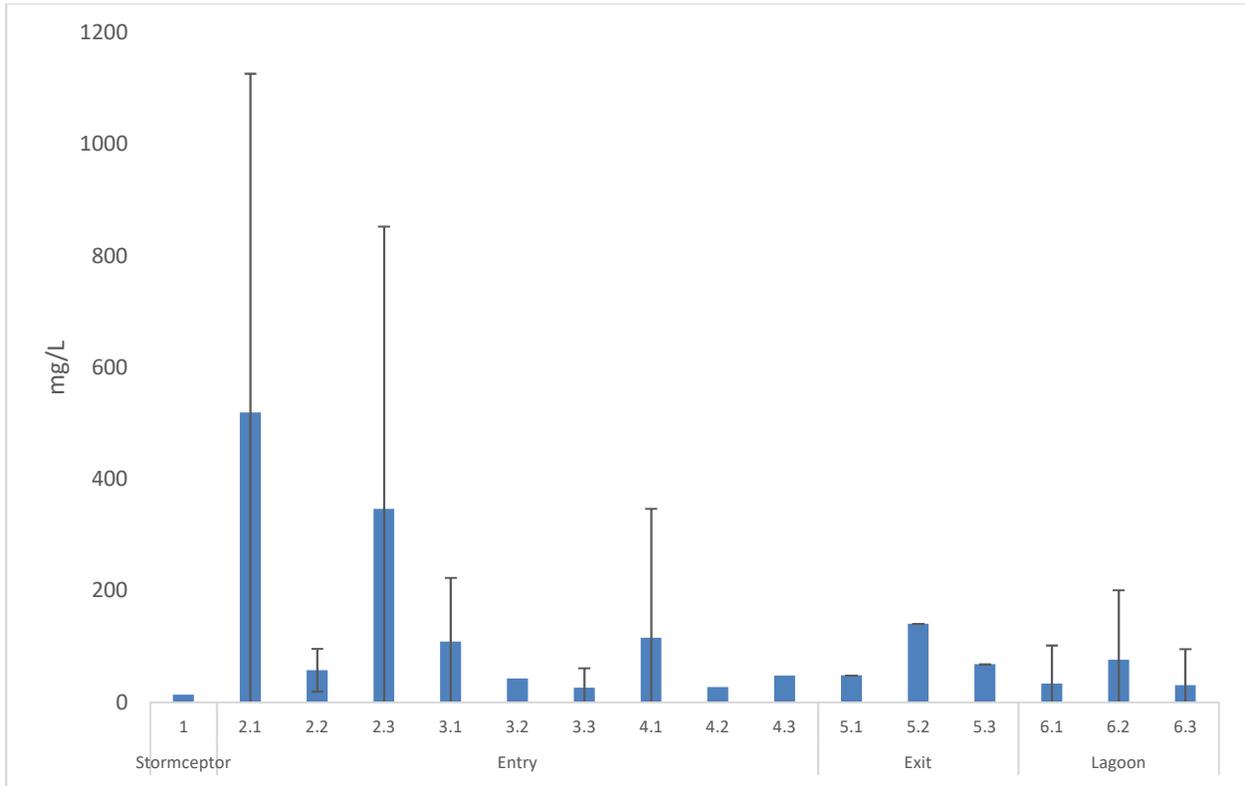


Figure 35. Barplot Comparison by Plot of COD in Water Samples Collected During the Field Study

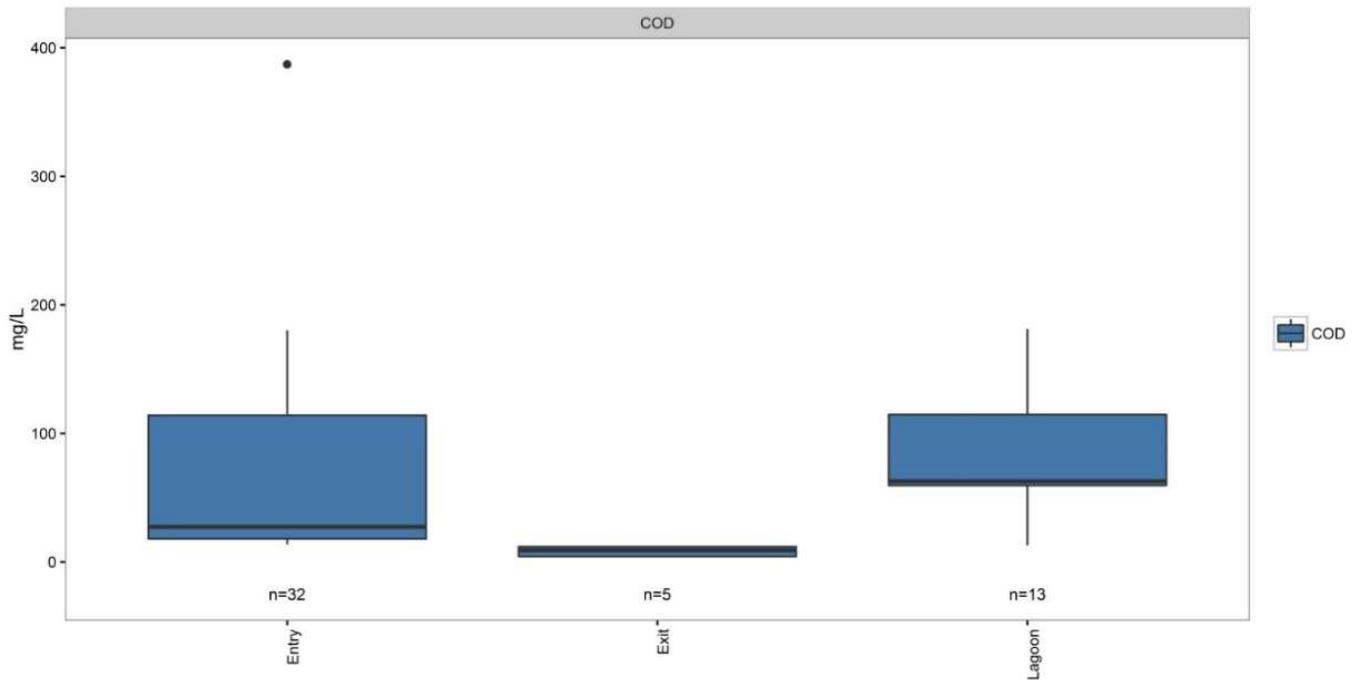


Figure 36. Boxplot Comparison of COD in Water Samples Collected During the Field Study

2.6.1.5 Total Organic Carbon Figures

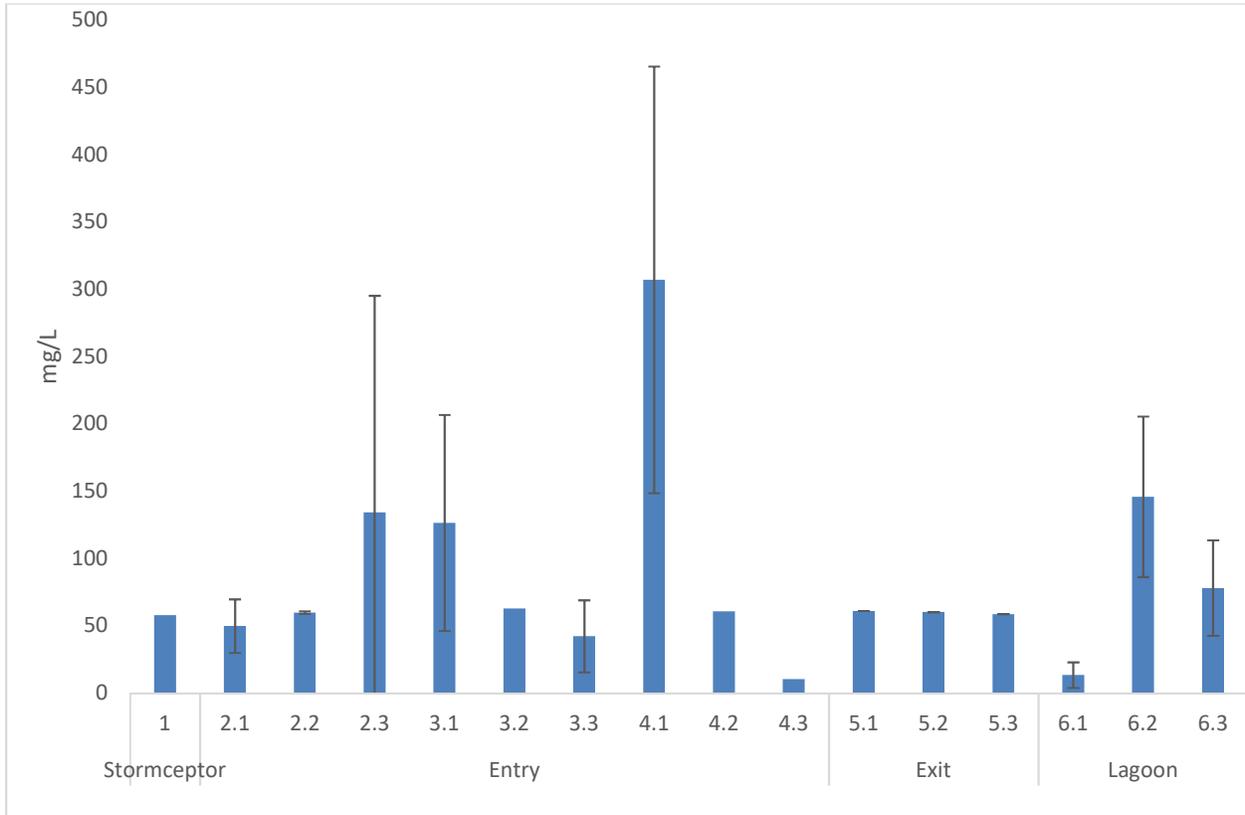


Figure 37. Barplot Comparison by Plot of TOC in Water Samples Collected During the Field Study

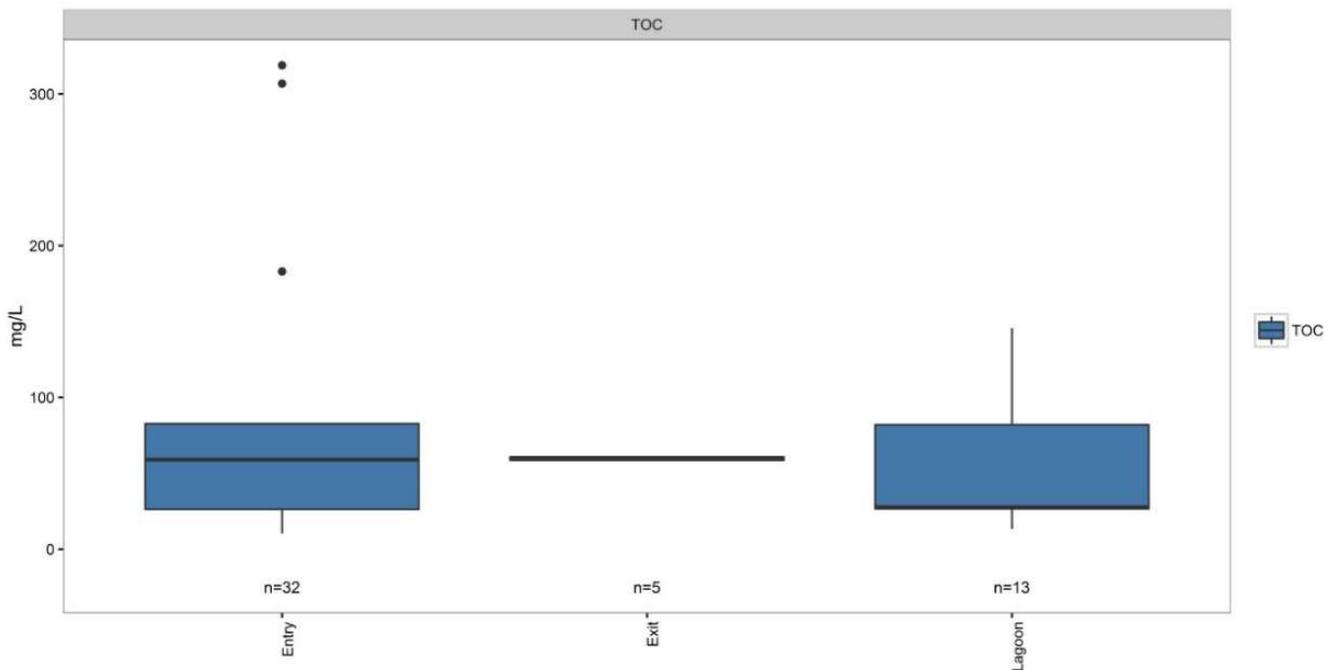


Figure 38. Boxplot Comparison of TOC in Water Samples Collected During the Field Study

2.6.1.6 Statistical Scores for Site Comparison

Table 12 through Table 14 list the confidence levels (z-scores) computed using the Wilcoxon Paired Rank Test in the R standard package version 3.1.1, (R Core Team, 2016).

Table 12. Confidence Levels for Wilcoxon Rank Test Between Entry and Exit for Environmental Parameters

| Turbidity | TSS | TOC | COD |
|-----------|-------|-------|-------|
| 0.170 | 0.076 | 0.193 | 0.386 |

Table 13. Confidence Levels for Wilcoxon Rank Test Between Exit and Lagoon for Environmental Parameters

| Turbidity | TSS | TOC | COD |
|-----------|-------|-------|-------|
| 0.067 | 0.097 | 0.115 | 0.425 |

Table 14. Confidence Levels for Wilcoxon Rank Test Between Entry and Lagoon for Environmental Parameters

| Turbidity | TSS | TOC | COD |
|-----------|-------|-------|-------|
| 0.373 | 0.811 | 0.735 | 0.425 |

2.6.2 Metals

2.6.2.1 Interpretations

Together, Figure 39 through Figure 41 illustrate the distribution of metals within the water samples obtained from the Lost Lagoon wetland. From Figure 39 and Figure 40, visually, there is a trend of decreasing metal concentrations along the length of wetland. However, Site 6.1, 6.2, and 6.3, where samples were taken from the shore of Lost Lagoon, show higher concentrations of several metals that are associated with stormwater. This could be due to additional drainage into the Lost Lagoon from neighbouring roadways including Lost Lagoon Drive and Chilco Street because it does not appear to be explained by the contribution of stormwater from the treatment wetland. Additional information is needed to explain this trend. Generally, Figure 41 also illustrates that the high concentrations of metals in some water samples at the wetland entry were no longer measured at the wetland exit.

Figure 42 and Figure 43 illustrate the distribution of metals in the surface sediment at each plot along the study site. From these graphs, there is visual evidence that the concentration of metals is lower at the back end of the wetland compared to the front end of the wetland. There is also evidence that particle setting and adsorption are contributing to the decreasing concentration of metals in the stormwater because the plot with the highest metal concentrations, Site 3.2, is in the centre of the forebay, rather than at the beginning or end of the forebay. Figure 44 illustrates the variation of metals measured in surface sediment

between the entry and exit of the Lost Lagoon wetland and Lost Lagoon. At this resolution, there is also evidence that over the entire sampling regime, there are decreasing concentrations for some of the metals commonly associated with stormwater in the surface sediment.

Figure 45 and Figure 46 illustrate the distribution of metals averaged by plot in the sediment at a depth of 10 cm below the floor of the Lost Lagoon wetland. From these graphs, there is some visual evidence that the concentration of metals is lower at the back end of the wetland compared to the front end; however, the results are less clear than with the surface sediment samples. In addition, Figure 47 illustrates the variation of metals measured in the sediment sampled at a depth of 10 cm below the wetland floor, between the entry and exit of the Lost Lagoon wetland and Lost Lagoon. The results in Figure 47 generally appear to be consistent with the results in the boxplot for surface sediment metal concentrations. Due to equipment malfunction, depth sediment samples were not obtained at Site 2.2, Site 3.2 and Site 4.2.

Due to the variability in the measurements of metal concentrations, the statistical scores in *Table 15* through *Table 17* are complex and challenging to interpret. Overall, the observations include:

Between the entry and exit of the Lost Lagoon wetland;

- Insignificant differences were calculated between the water samples measuring cobalt and copper while significant differences were calculated between the water samples for barium, manganese, nickel, and zinc. Statistical conclusions could not be calculated for cadmium, chromium, molybdenum, lead, and antimony because measurements were too close to the detection limits of the analytical method.
- Insignificant differences were calculated between the surface sediment samples for nickel and zinc while significant differences were calculated between the surface sediment samples for barium, chromium, copper manganese, and lead. Statistical conclusions could not be calculated for cadmium, cobalt, molybdenum, and antimony because measurements were too close to the detection limits of the analytical method.
- Finally, insignificant differences between depth sediment samples were calculated for barium, copper, manganese, nickel, and zinc while a significant difference was calculated for chromium. Statistical conclusions could not be calculated for cadmium, cobalt, molybdenum, lead, and antimony because measurements were too close to the detection limits of the analytical method.

Between the entry to the wetland and Lost Lagoon;

- No statistical differences were calculated.

Between the exit of the wetland and Lost Lagoon;

- Statistical differences were calculated between surface sediment samples were calculated for chromium, copper, and lead.
- No other statistical differences were calculated.

2.6.2.2 Water Samples

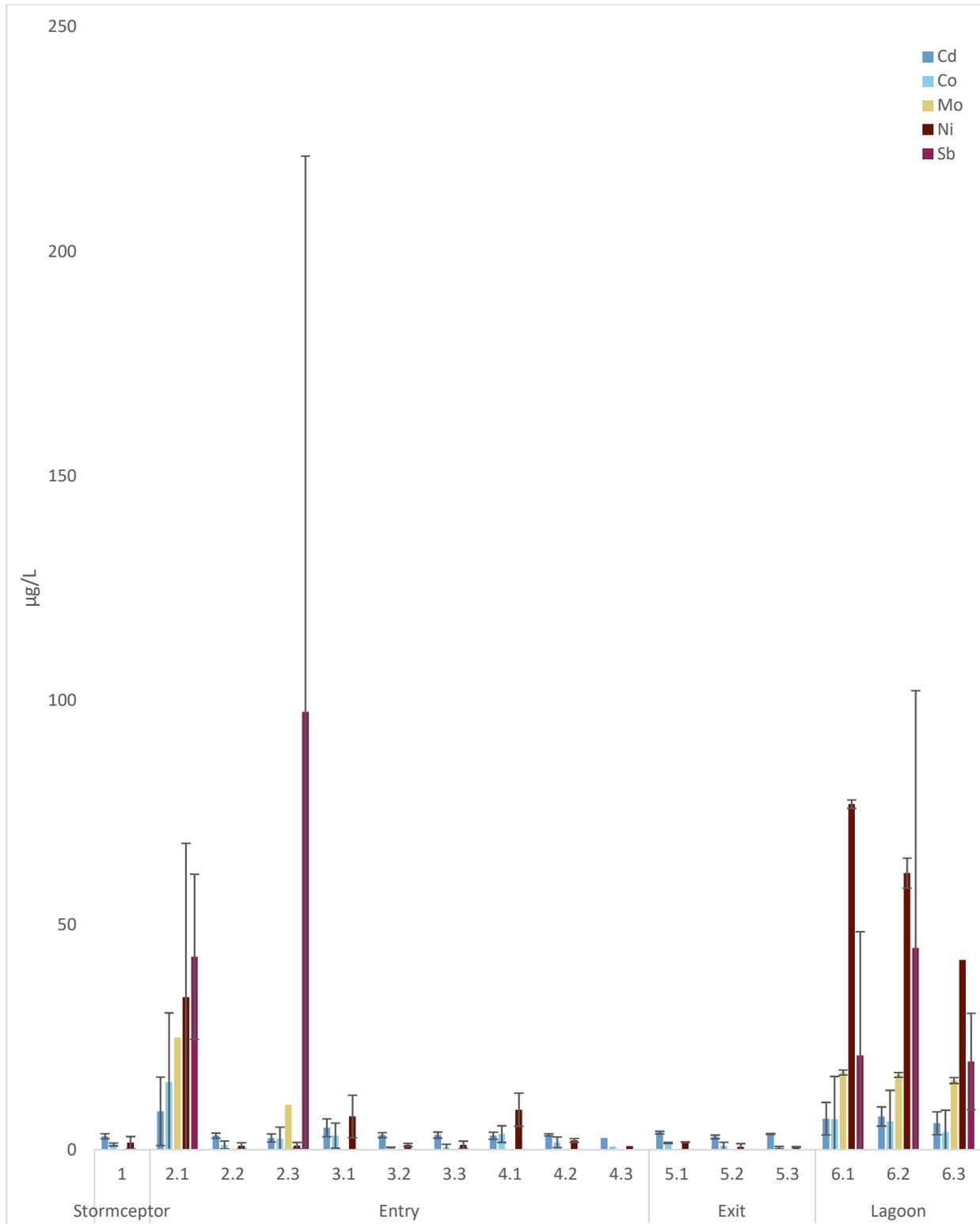


Figure 39. Barplot Comparison by Plot of Metals Associated with Stormwater in Water Samples Collected During the Field Study

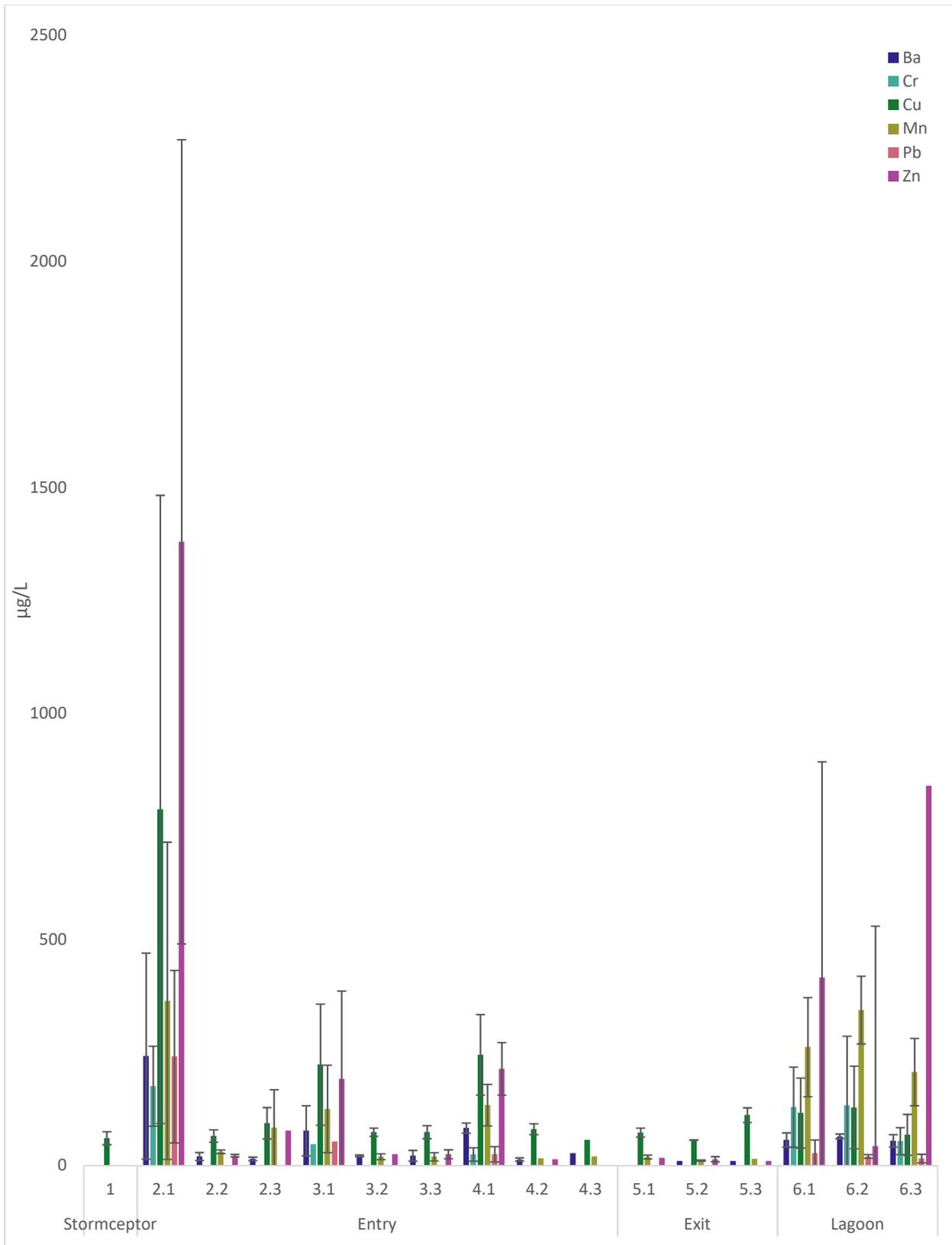


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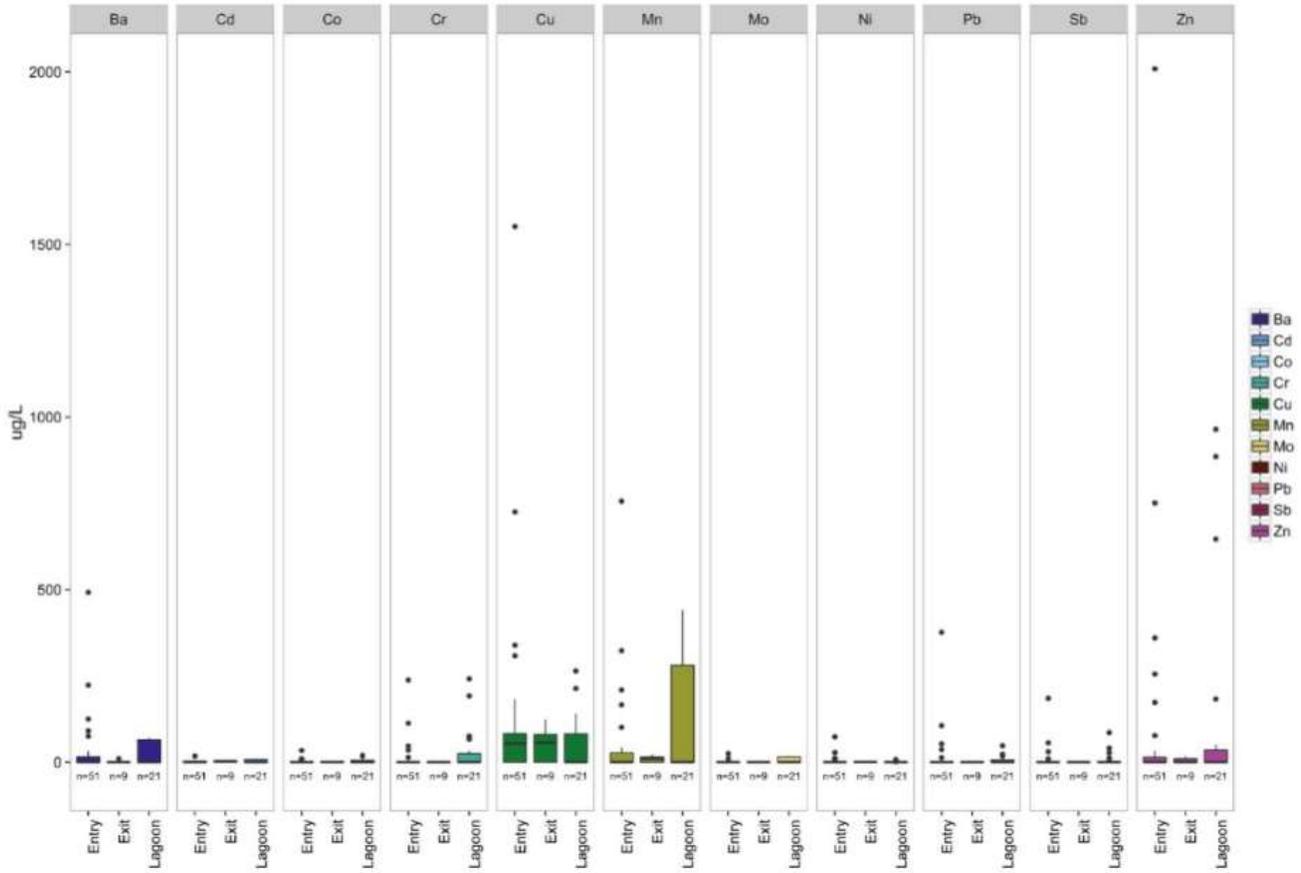


Figure 41. Boxplot Comparison of Metals Associated with Stormwater for Water Samples Collected During the Field Study

2.6.2.3 Surface Sediment Samples

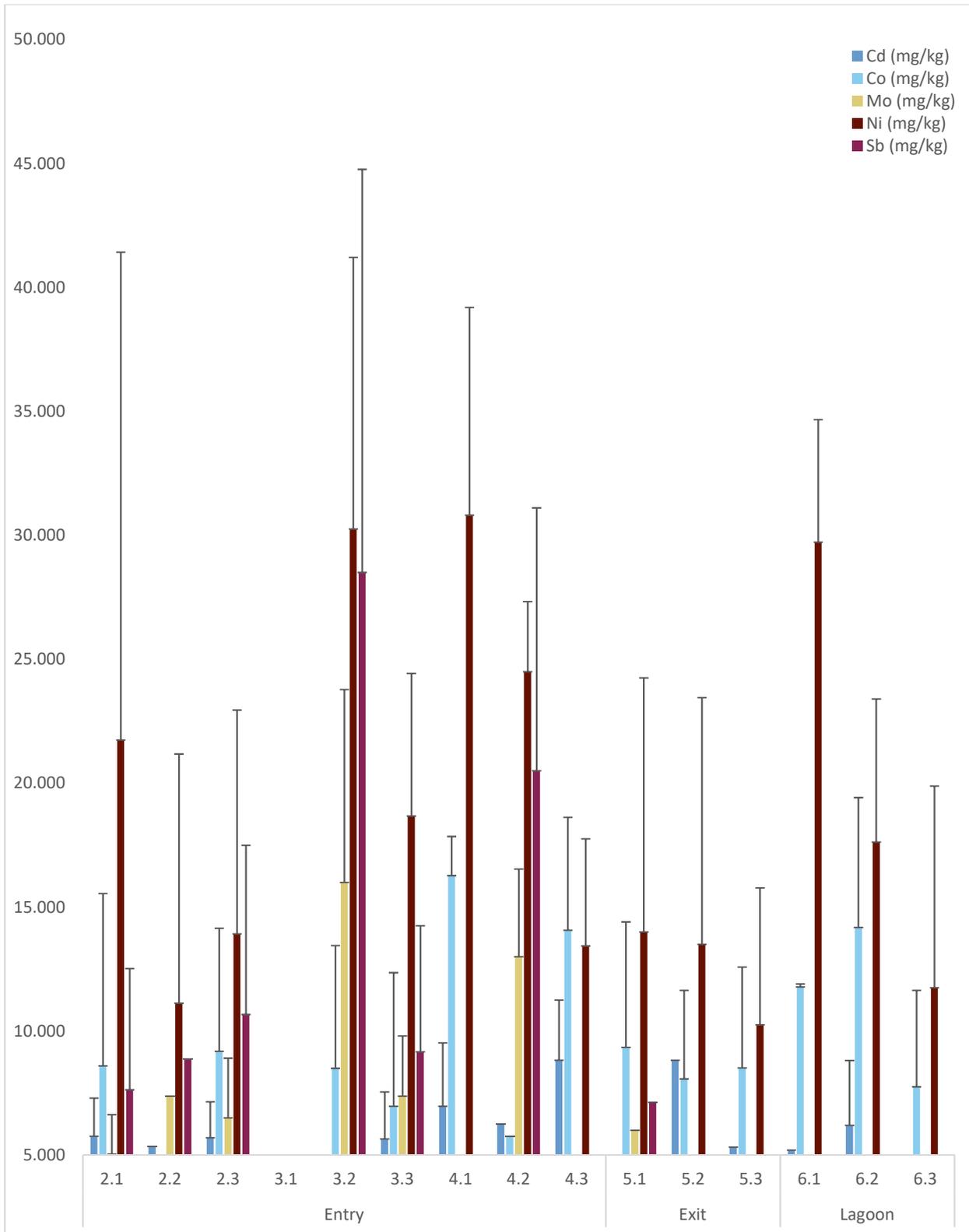


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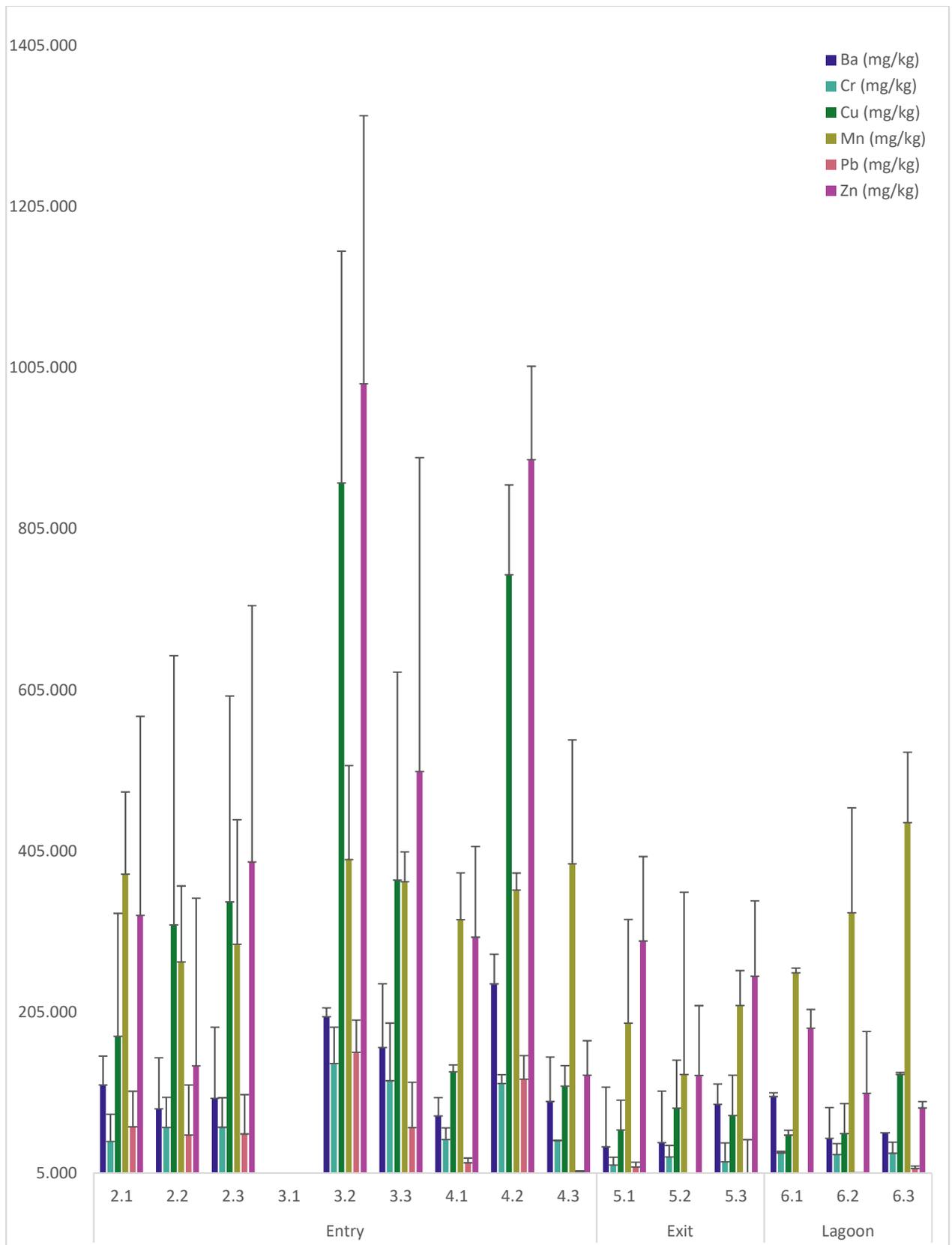


Figure 43. Barplot Comparison by Plot of Metals Associated with Stormwater in Surface Sediment Samples Collected During the Field Study

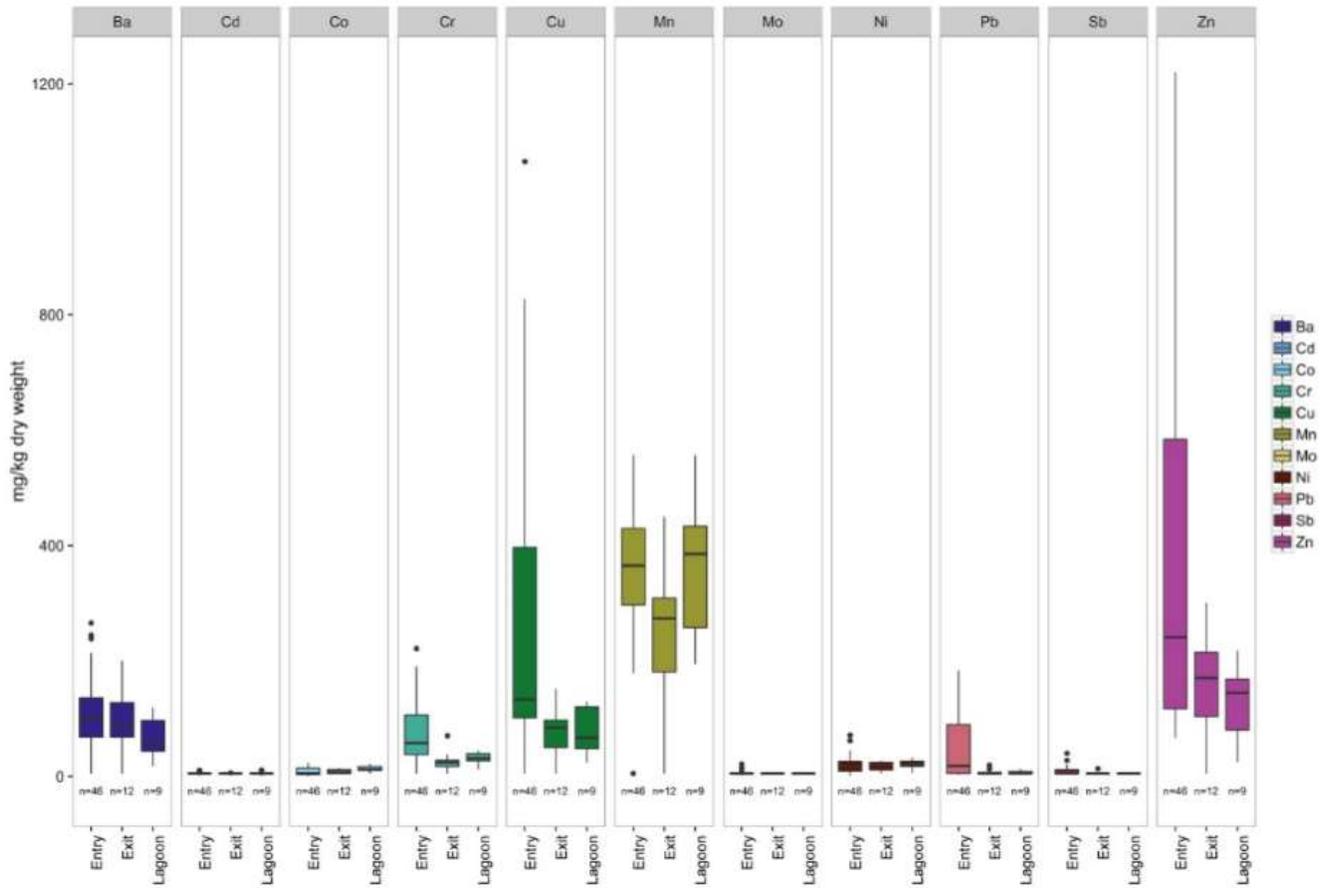


Figure 44. Boxplot Comparison by Plot of Metals Associated with Stormwater in Surface Sediment Samples Collected During the Field Study

2.6.2.4 10-cm Depth Sediment Samples

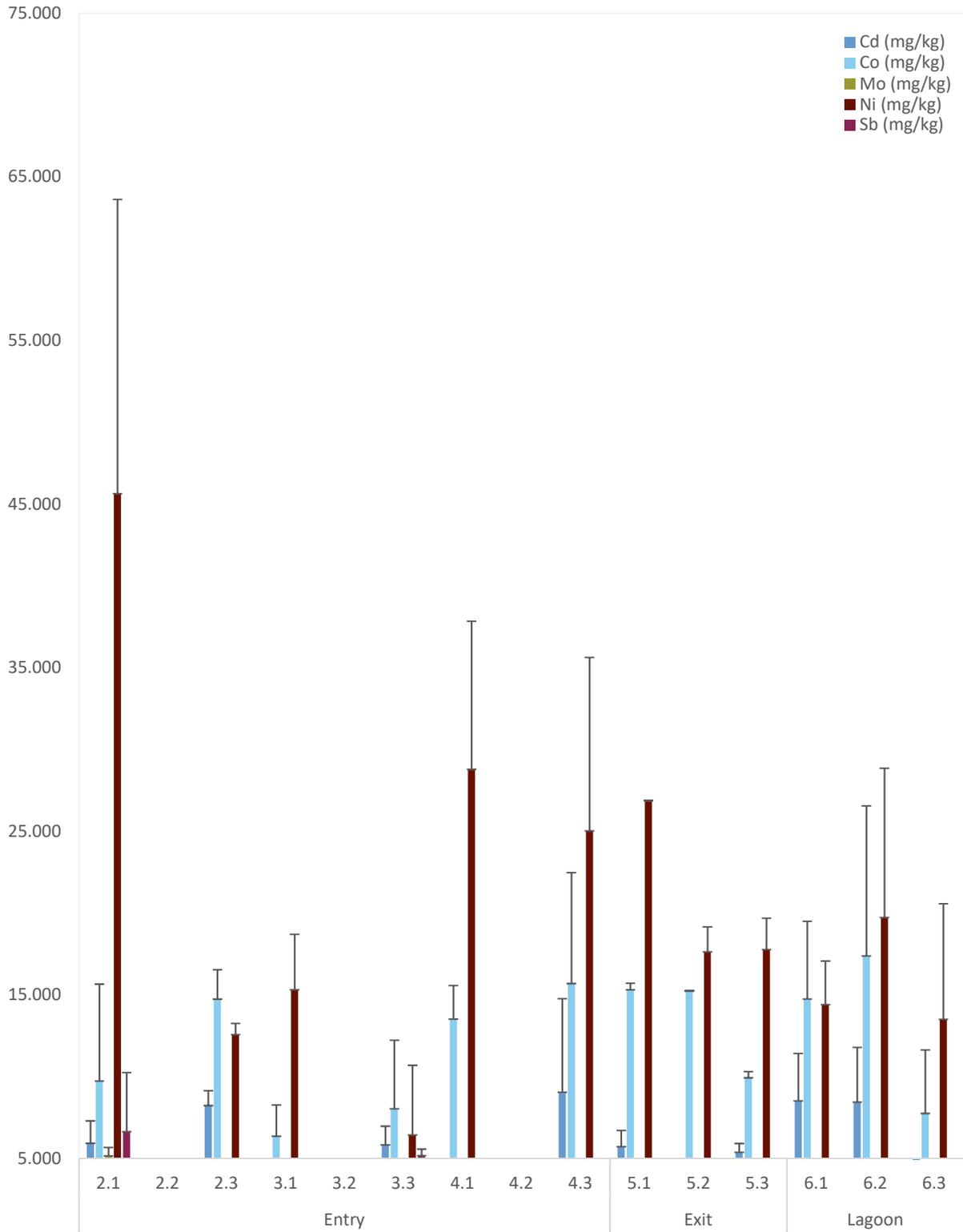


Figure 45. Barplot Comparison by Plot of Metals Associated with Stormwater in Surface Sediment Samples Collected During the Field Study

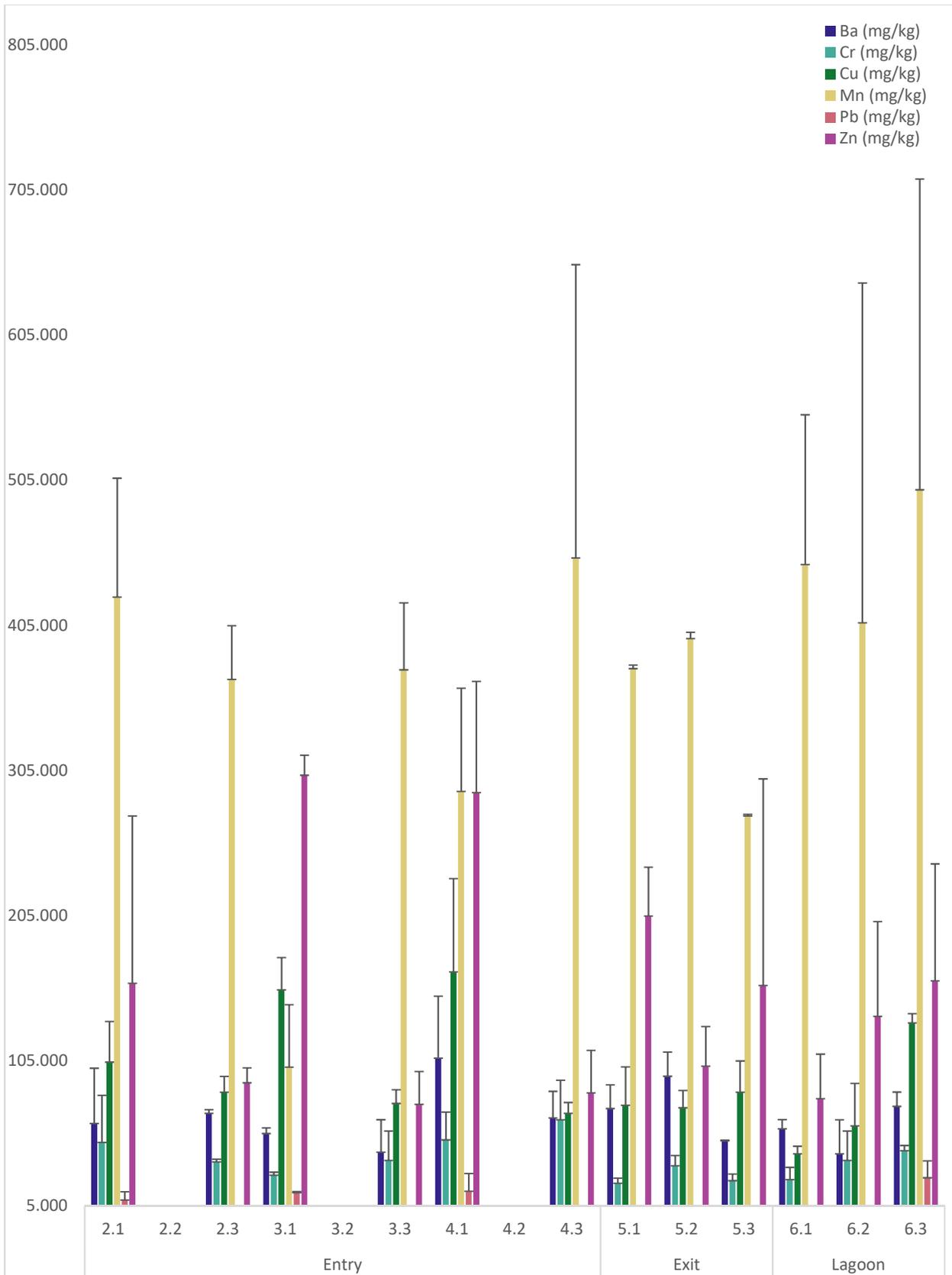


Figure 46. Barplot Comparison by Plot of Metals Associated with Stormwater in Surface Sediment Samples Collected During the Field Study

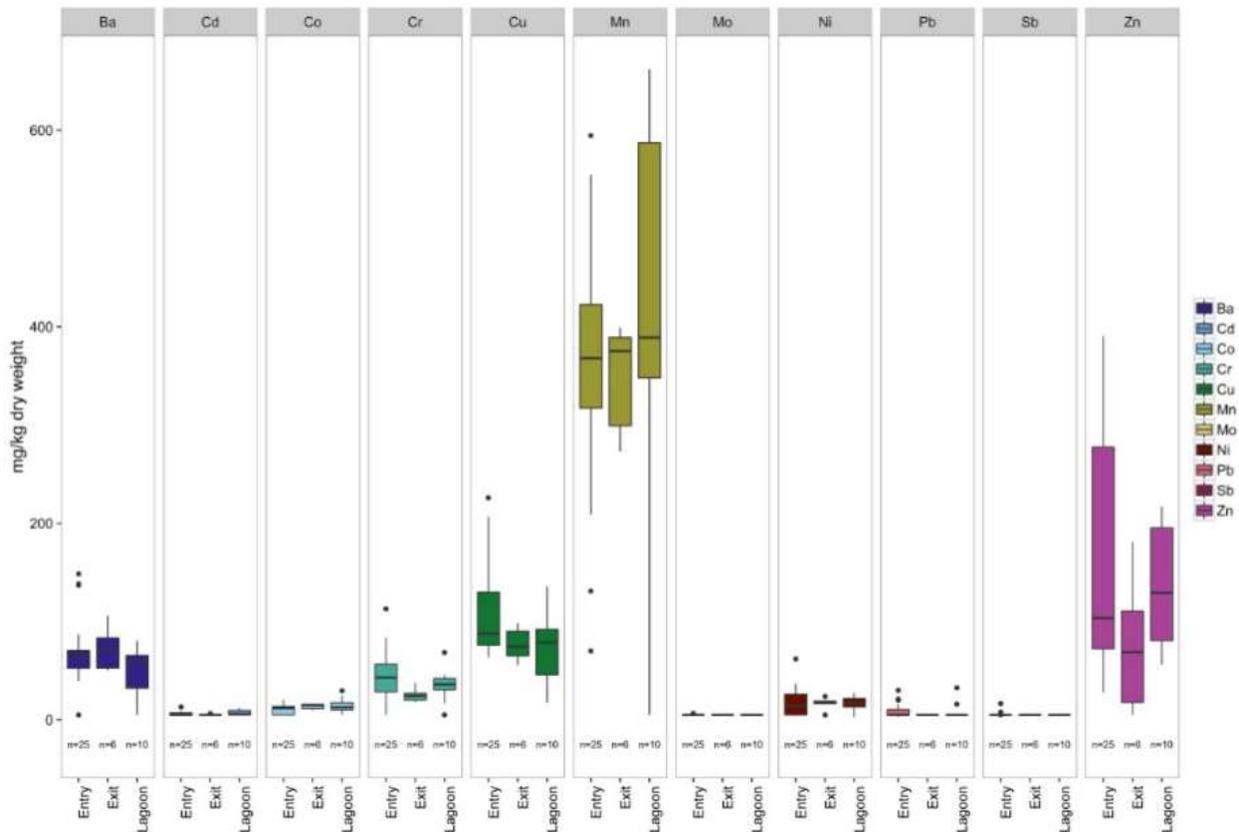


Figure 47. Boxplot Comparison of Metals Associated with Stormwater between Forebay and Exit for Samples taken at a Depth of 10 cm

2.6.2.5 Statistical Scores for Site Comparison

Table 15. Confidence Levels for Wilcoxon Paired Rank Test Between Entry and Exit for Metals

| Metal | Water | Surface | Depth |
|-------|-------|---------|-------|
| Ba | 0.016 | 0.047 | 0.661 |
| Cd | - | - | - |
| Co | - | - | - |
| Cr | - | 0.000 | 0.000 |
| Cu | 0.723 | 0.000 | 0.077 |
| Mn | 0.003 | 0.031 | 0.776 |
| Mo | - | - | - |
| Ni | 0.032 | 0.577 | 0.732 |
| Pb | - | 0.004 | - |
| Sb | - | - | - |
| Zn | 0.002 | 0.123 | 0.281 |

Table 16. Confidence Levels for Wilcoxon Paired Rank Test Between Exit and Lagoon for Metals

| Metal | Water | Surface | Depth |
|-------|-------|---------|-------|
| Ba | 0.174 | 0.236 | 0.525 |
| Cd | - | - | - |
| Co | - | 0.152 | 1 |
| Cr | - | 0.126 | 0.294 |
| Cu | 1 | 0.943 | 0.828 |
| Mn | 0.822 | 0.163 | 0.735 |
| Mo | - | - | - |
| Ni | - | 1 | 1 |
| Pb | - | 1 | - |
| Sb | - | - | - |
| Zn | 1 | 0.455 | 0.282 |

Table 17. Confidence Levels for Wilcoxon Paired Rank Test Between Entry and Lagoon for Metals

| Metal | Water | Surface | Depth |
|-------|-------|---------|-------|
| Ba | 0.372 | 0.075 | 0.525 |
| Cd | - | - | - |
| Co | - | 0.046 | - |
| Cr | - | 0.010 | 0.371 |
| Cu | 1 | 0.009 | 0.269 |
| Mn | 0.546 | 0.691 | 0.635 |
| Mo | - | - | - |
| Ni | - | 1 | 1 |
| Pb | - | 0.010 | - |
| Sb | - | - | - |
| Zn | 1 | 0.089 | 0.733 |

2.6.3 Mineral Oil and Grease

2.6.3.1 Interpretation

Figure 48 and Figure 49 illustrate the change in mineral oil and grease along the length of the wetland. Based on the date sampled, mineral oil and grease had the most variable concentration at Site 2. This was expected because the level of mineral oil and grease measured in water samples is dependent on the influent quality, which could be highly variable depending on vehicle traffic and potential vehicle leakage onto the causeway. Mineral oil and grease was measured to be below guideline levels (30-mg/L) (Canadian Council of Ministers of the Environment, 2015) at Site 4, Site 5, or Site 6. Unfortunately, only one mineral oil and grease sample was taken at Site 1 at the exit of the stormceptor, therefore the variability of mineral oil and grease entering the wetland is unknown.

Mineral oil and grease samples were only compared graphically because the sample size was too small to interpret statistical calculations.

2.6.3.2 Mineral Oil and Grease Figures

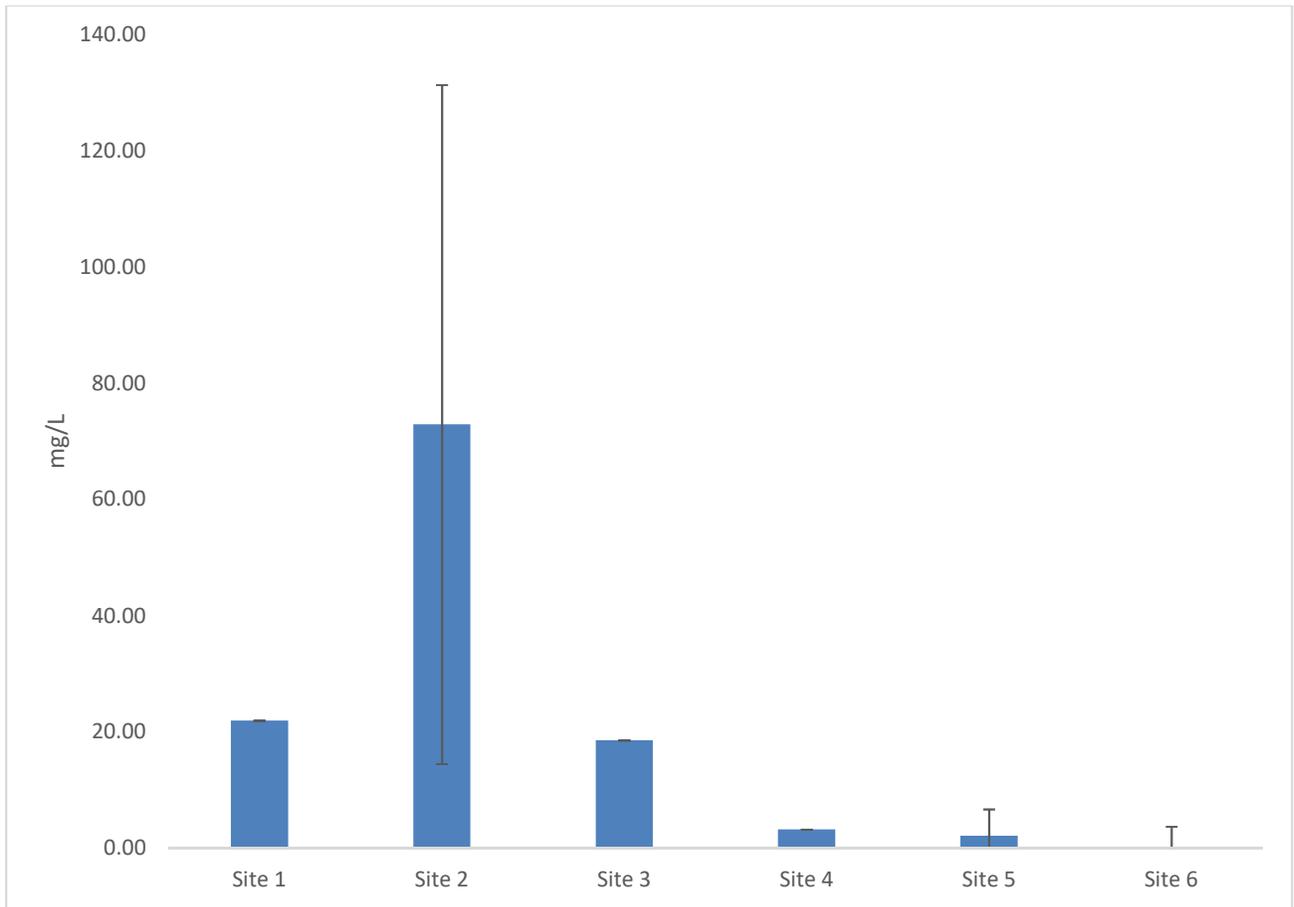


Figure 48. Comparison by Site of Total Mineral Oil and Grease in Water Samples Collected During the Field Study

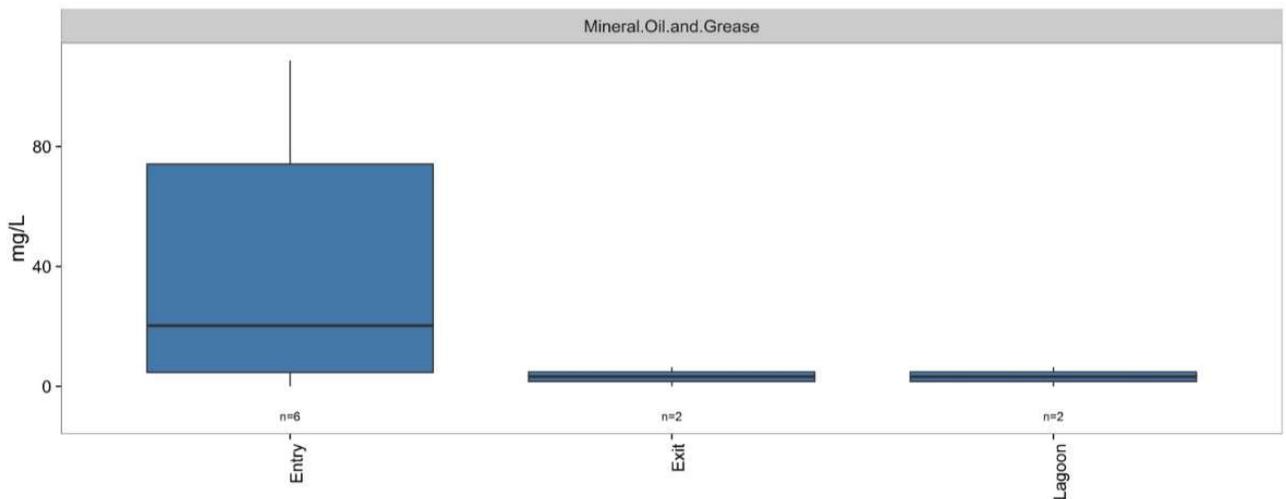


Figure 49. Boxplot Comparison of Total Mineral Oil and Grease for Water Sampled Collected During the Field Study

2.7 Discussion and Conclusion

As described previously, the goal of this study is to provide proof of concept data that supports or rejects developing a genomics-based monitoring tool for low impact design features that treat stormwater, including engineered wetlands. In this chapter, data was gathered and analyses were conducted in order to provide background information for the treatment efficacy of a functioning stormwater treatment wetland, namely the Lost Lagoon wetland in Stanley Park, Vancouver. For this, an attempt was made to answer two hypotheses and to support three objectives.

2.7.1 Chapter Hypotheses

To prove that the wetland is effectively treating stormwater and to begin to validate the treatment mechanisms within the wetland, it was previously stated that two hypotheses must be true.

1. The concentrations of metals associated with stormwater decrease along the length of the wetland; and
2. The concentration of oil and grease decreases along the length of the wetland.

Regarding metal concentrations, for the three sample types, most metal concentrations visibly decreased between samples taken near the Lost Lagoon wetland entry and exit and this was confirmed by calculating and comparing the Wilcoxon rank test parameter between population medians. The same trend was not found when comparing the wetland entry and exit to the environment in Lost Lagoon. For this chapter's purposes, this result effectively proves that the first hypothesis is true.

Mineral oil and grease more clearly decreased between the wetland entry and exit. Variable and high mineral oil and grease concentrations were measured throughout the wetland forebay while low or undetectable levels of mineral oil and grease were measured at the wetland exit and in Lost Lagoon. For the purposes of this chapter, the measured results prove that mineral oil and grease decreases along the length of the Lost Lagoon wetland.

The persistence of outliers throughout the dataset may have contributed to some of the statistical uncertainty in the results. In addition, the natural background levels of certain metals may outweigh the calculation of a difference between the wetland entry and exit, especially for metals that exist at only slightly elevated levels in stormwater, such as cobalt and antimony.

2.7.2 Chapter Objectives

In order to support the goal of this study, to provide proof of concept data that supports or rejects developing a genomics monitoring tool for low impact design features that treat stormwater, including engineered wetlands, three objectives were previously stated for this chapter:

1. Demonstrate that the Lost Lagoon wetland is meeting water quality treatment guidelines;
2. Demonstrate that the engineering best management practices employed in the design of the Lost Lagoon wetland have had some meaningful impact on the stormwater treatment efficiency; and
3. Identify knowledge gaps and opportunities for complimentary data analyses though the application of genomics.

For the first objective, comparison of the maximum pollutant concentrations (*Table 18*) in the water samples collected at the entry and exit of Lost Lagoon wetland demonstrates that the wetland is generally meeting water quality treatment guidelines. The only exception for this, is the maximum point measurement for cadmium. The maximum cadmium concentration measured at the outlet was 4 µg/L and the guideline for effluent water is 1 µg/L (Canadian Council of Ministers of the Environment, 2015). The effluent guideline is the same as the method detection limit for the ICP instrument so, using the methodology employed here, it cannot be said with confidence whether this guideline is regularly exceeded.

Table 18. Comparison of Maximum Pollutant Concentrations Measured in Water Samples at the Lost Lagoon to British Columbia Treatment Guidelines

| Pollutant | Concentration | | | Guideline ³ |
|-------------------------------|-------------------------|---------------|----------------|------------------------|
| | Stormwater ¹ | Inlet Maximum | Outlet Maximum | |
| Mineral Oil and Grease (mg/L) | 5.0-63.4 ¹ | 108 | 5.4 | 30 |
| Organic Carbon (mg/L) | 7.3-17.6 | 327 | 148 | - |
| Solids (mg/L) | 44-809 ¹ | 1359 | 106 | 5 above BL |
| Turbidity, NTU | - | 359 | 155 | - |
| Barium (µg/L) | 0.2-0.792 ¹ | 492 | 10 | - |
| Cadmium (ug/L) | 0.035-2.3 ¹ | 18 | 4 | 1 |
| Cobalt (µg/L) | | 34 | 1 | - |
| Chromium (µg/L) | 0.01-0.13 ² | 238 | 1 | - |
| Copper (µg/L) | 4.0-6.59 ² | 1552 | 123 | 2.0 |
| Manganese (µg/L) | 0.112-6.91 | | | |
| Molybdenum (µg/L) | | 25 | 20 | 73 |
| Nickel (µg/L) | .002-22.6 ² | 73 | 1 | 25 |
| Lead (µg/L) | 0.2-2.78 ¹ | 376 | 1 | 3 |
| Antimony (µg/L) | | 185 | 1 | - |
| Zinc (µg/L) | 6.5-27.5 | 2009 | 18 | 75 |

¹ (Stime, 2014)

² (British Columbia Research Corporation, 1992)

³ (Canadian Council of Ministers of the Environment, 2015)

For the second objective, demonstrating that the best management practices employed in the design of the wetland have had some meaningful impact on stormwater treatment, one must review the wetland design and treatment capacity as a whole. Several different mechanisms, including sedimentation, adsorption, and plant uptake, are responsible for removing pollutants and the wetland was designed to optimize all of these mechanisms for long term stormwater treatment goals.

The stormceptors incorporated as a pre-treatment step prior to inflow to the wetland were not studied at depth during this study. However, high levels of mineral oil and grease were measured in the forebay of the wetland, indicating that use of the stormceptors as the only treatment method would not meet effluent discharge guidelines.

During the study period, there was no evidence of scouring or overflow from the wetland. In addition, sediment samples generally indicated that metal contaminant levels were higher on the front end of the wetland compared to the back end. This supports the notion that the overflow and diversion structures are beneficial to the overall treatment efficacy of the wetland.

During the initial site visit at the Lost Lagoon wetland, photographs and documentation of the state of plant species was documented. There was evidence that the plant species had adapted well to the climate within

the wetland but that additional maintenance is required to remove some invasive species, including blackberry plants. Thoren et al (2007) demonstrated that two plant species selected for the wetland design, *Carex obnupta* and *Scirpus acutus*, were effective in taking up certain metal pollutants. Therefore, continued monitoring and maintenance of the planned plant species should continue. There was also evidence of animal activity where beavers had removed trees along the berm between the wetland and Lost Lagoon. The beaver activity requires close monitoring so that the wetland outlet does not become blocked, causing backflow and damage.

Finally, the sizing of the settling forebay for a 6-month design storm was of interest during this study. In the results, there is evidence that the highest metal loading is received at the centre of the forebay. Measurements for metals taken at Location 2 (the wetland entry) and Location 3 (the centre of the forebay) were consistently higher than measurements taken at Location 4 (in the forebay, furthest from the wetland entry). However, additional analysis of flow rates and settling within the forebay would be required to properly validate this treatment stage.

For the third and final objective of this chapter, to identify knowledge gaps and opportunities for complimentary analysis through application of genomics, two statements can be made. First, while there is some evidence that the wetland is removing contaminants and meeting treatment objectives, there is still a lot of uncertainty in the results. Specifically, the results indicate that overall there is a significant decrease in contaminants along the length of the wetland but for some contaminants including cadmium, cobalt, lead, and zinc, more depth of analyses would be beneficial. Second, genomics provides an opportunity for complimentary analyses because microbial communities adapt and change due to the toxicity of pollutants. Specific species that thrive in contaminated environments will overtake other species, which do not have the same abilities. Over time, microbial communities also adapt and develop genetic tolerance mechanisms when exposed to pollutants. Analyzing species and gene differences between the microbial communities at the front and back end of the wetland would, thus, provide an additional resource to compliment uncertain pollutant treatment data.

2.7.3 Final Remarks

The work described in this chapter effectively answered both study hypotheses and provided data in support of the three objectives described here. In doing so, this chapter has laid the foundation for Chapter 2, where microbial analyses were conducted to provide proof of concept data in support of developing a genomics tool for monitoring stormwater treatment wetlands. Overall, there is evidence of effective

stormwater treatment at the chosen field study site, the Lost Lagoon wetland in Stanley Park, Vancouver, but further analyses are required to properly validate said evidence.

2.8 Limitations

Even though a wide range of techniques and several collection dates were incorporated into the environmental sampling design, single point in time measurements do not provide adequate proof that the wetland is meeting design targets. This is because the stormwater runoff entering the wetland is highly variable and the time it takes for stormwater to pass through the wetland is also variable. Therefore, one cannot directly compare water measurements taken at the front and back end of the wetland on a single date. Sediment sampling provides a clearer picture of long term treatment trends but there are still limitations because of the challenges with digesting organic rich samples prior to analysis using ICP-MS or other techniques. In contrast, there are many effective techniques to extract DNA from sediment and water samples and these are widely available from laboratory suppliers. In the future, analyzing the microbial response to contaminants may present itself as a valuable tool to validate environmental data.

In addition to the variability within the wetland, there were several limitations during this section of the research study, which contributed to uncertainty in the results. These include:

- Challenges accessing the wetland and stormceptor;
- Equipment malfunctions with the core sediment sampler;
- Budget limitations for the number of samples which could be processed;
- Limits to the number of samples which could be obtained and processed in a single day; and
- Challenges with the digestion of sediment samples.

3. Chapter 2: Application of Genomics-Based Monitoring Techniques for Complimentary Validation of the Lost Lagoon Stormwater Treatment Wetland

3.1 Introduction and Chapter Goal

The contents of this chapter expand on the results of Chapter 1 by applying genomics-based approaches to support the conclusion that the Lost Lagoon wetland is effectively treating stormwater. In addition, this chapter provides data to support the application of genomics for validation of other low impact design sites that treat stormwater. This chapter first describes the toxicity of stormwater in relation to bacteria. Next, bacterial adaptations to stormwater exposure are described with the goal of identifying potential markers for effective stormwater treatment. In support of the study methodology, potential genomics approaches are compared for application in stormwater treatment monitoring. The study methodology is described, which includes the incorporation of a laboratory based study, with the goal to illustrate the adaptability of this study's methodology for other low impact design sites. Finally, results, discussion, and conclusions are provided.

3.2 Chapter Objectives

Based on the overall goals of this research, this chapter has three specific objectives.

Using the same samples that were analysed in Chapter 1:

1. Apply genomics-based analysis methods to determine if there are shifts in the microbial communities and functional genes along the length of the Lost Lagoon wetland;
2. Determine if there is a correlation between the water and sediment quality, present over the study period, and the microbial communities and functional genes observed; and
3. Determine, through laboratory experimentation, if there are opportunities to expand and pursue genomics-based analyses at other stormwater treatment low impact design features.

3.3 Hypotheses

In order to use microbial comparisons as a monitoring parameter for stormwater treatment, one would need to observe differences in the microbial communities that exist in the presence of stormwater compared to the microbial communities that do not exist in the presence of stormwater. One would then need to meaningfully capitalize on these differences by correlating adaptation to contamination.

In order to achieve said observations and correlations, this chapter attempts to answer three hypotheses:

1. There is a shift in the composition and function of the microbial communities that exist between the entry and exit of the Lost Lagoon wetland;
2. The shift in the composition and function of the microbial communities between the entry and exit of the Lost Lagoon wetland is influenced by the decreasing concentration of contaminants along the length of the wetland;
3. There are similarities across unconnected sites in the adaptations that take place within microbial communities due to exposure to stormwater.

3.4 Literature Review

Like in Chapter 1, in order to provide background and context for the objectives and hypotheses stated in this chapter, a review of relevant literature was performed. First, a description of the toxicity of urban stormwater is provided. Next, the influence of urban stormwater contaminants on microbial communities is reviewed. After this, a summary from the literature of known microbial adaptations to stormwater is given. Finally, current methods for DNA sequencing and data analysis are discussed and compared for their advantages and disadvantages. This information advises the decisions that were made for the methodology presented in Chapter 2.

3.4.1 Toxicity of Urban Stormwater

Numerous past and current studies examine the toxicity of highway stormwater from both an environmental and human health perspective and these studies generally conclude that stormwater has some toxic elements (Gjessing et al., 1984, Mulliss, Revitt, & Shutes, 1996, Marsalek et al., 1999, Karlsson et al., 2010). Dutka et al. (1994) recommend assessment of toxicity through chronic effects testing for stormwater because, while the immediate effects due to exposure may not be severe, the prolonged effects of stormwater exposure are impactful. There are a variety of means to test toxicity including tests for cytotoxicity (cellular damage) and genotoxicity (genetic damage), which both tend to focus on toxic effects for bacteria.

Because toxicity of stormwater is influenced by the quality of said stormwater, where temporal variability and uncertainty has already been discussed, many studies tend to focus their research efforts on the toxicity of sediments in locations that have been impacted by stormwater. However, sediment sampling introduces additional uncertainties because of chemical partitioning, bioavailability, and the small sample size (Marsalek et al., 1999). Pitt, et al. (1995) identified gravity settling as the most important means of

reducing stormwater toxicity, where settling was shown experimentally to reduce stormwater toxicity by approximately 50%. However, in a review of four common toxicity testing methods for sediment and water samples, all samples were shown to include inherent uncertainties of between 10% and 50%, which limit the ability of toxicity testing to elucidate toxicity measurements (Marsalek et al., 1999).

Beyond water quality, stormwater also produces environmentally toxic effects to receiving environments due to sediment loadings and alterations to stream morphology. However, discussion of toxicity in this form is outside of the scope of this project.

While toxicity of stormwater as whole is less studied, the toxicity of specific elements within stormwater are well known. For example, chromium causes oxidative damage and inhibits sulfate membrane transport in bacteria and nickel can be highly toxic as it inhibits cell multiplication (Das, Dash, & Chakraborty, 2016). However, the toxicity of stormwater is not equal to the sum of its parts due to the interaction of pollutants including metals, natural organic matter, and hydrocarbons. Likewise, bacteria have developed complex resistance pathways, which are often correlated. The influence of stormwater on bacteria and the complexity of stormwater toxicity is further discussed in the sections that follow.

3.4.2 Influence of Urban Stormwater Contaminants on Microbial Communities

While there is a large body of literature that suggests that stormwater has toxic elements, the influence of stormwater on microbial communities, specifically bacteria, is lesser known. After an extensive review of literature, only a handful of published studies attempted to determine the influence of stormwater on the bacteria that reside within engineered wetlands or other low impact treatment systems (Nogoro et al., 2007; Hartman et al., 2008; Faulwetter et al., 2009; Karlsson et al., 2010; Truu, Juhanson, & Truu, 2009; Sun et al., 2013) Within the literature that was accessed, no study provided a dataset where bacteria were compared along the length of a stormwater treatment wetland.

Nogoro et al. (2007) examined the influence of stormwater quality on microbial characteristics. Their results showed that biogeochemical processes, including aerobic respiration, denitrification, and fermentation as well as microbial metabolism and enzymatic activities were stimulated by the presence of stormwater and the natural organic matter. Nogoro et al. (2007) also concluded that hydrocarbons and heavy metals did not have significant effect on microbial processes. However, Nogoro et al. only examined total bacteria counts, a crude index of bacteria diversity (optical density) and hydrolytic and dehydrogenase activities. The authors did not examine the bacterial community at a species or gene level, likely because the sequencing technologies were not available at the time of their study.

Hartman et al. (2008) suggested that “soil bacteria regulate wetland biogeochemical processes, yet little is known about controls over their distribution and abundance.” While Hartman et al. (2008) did not specifically analyze stormwater treatment wetlands, they did perform a broad analysis of fifteen natural and restored wetlands. The analysis suggested that soil pH, land use, and restoration status greatly influenced bacterial composition and diversity but wetland type, soil carbon and nutrient concentrations had less of an impact. Land use was found to have the most significant impact on bacterial communities across all wetland sites even after accounting for wetland type and soil chemistry using pure-partial Mantel’s tests. Interestingly, Hartman et al. (2008) noted that the responses of bacterial communities were dominated by a few taxa (Acidobacteria and Proteobacteria) and the authors suggested that this yields a promising result for the application of bacteria as an indicator of wetland health.

Faulwetter et al. (2009) noted that the recent application of newer molecular and genetic analysis methods has begun a “new era of treatment wetland research.” In their literature review, Faulwetter et al. (2009) found that results up to 2009 confirmed the existence of microbial functional groups such as nitrifiers, denitrifiers and sulphate reducers that are responsible for pollutant removal but Faulwetter et al. also suggested that the future of this science would shift to the identification and linkage of the functional groups to the environmental factors of greatest influence. In 2009, Faulwetter et al. recognized the upcoming importance and value of microbial analysis in water treatment:

“When we understand what controllable factors turn critical functional groups on and off we will be able to fully optimize performance for removal of a specific pollutant, or perhaps still be able to achieve the “perfect” treatment system that can satisfactorily remove virtually all pollutants from domestic wastewater, and/or other sources.”

Sun et al. (2013) used 454 pyrosequencing of the 16S rRNA gene in order to investigate how estuaries responded to contaminants. While this study did not specifically address stormwater treatment wetlands, Sun et al. (2013) conclude that an abundant and pervasive core set of bacteria were largely responsible for mediating the response of the microbial community to contamination. Like Hartman et al. (2008), Sun et al. (2013) also found that the microbial community core was dominated by proteobacteria and acidobacteria. The authors observed that silt and metals together explained approximately 20% of the variation in the bacterial community and that salinity and temperature predicted approximately 11% of the microbial community. The research supported the notion that there is some functional redundancy within the bacteria of contaminated sediments but that our understanding of bacteria communities’ responses and resilience to contamination is still developing.

3.4.3 Known Microbial Adaptations to Urban Stormwater Contaminants

While few studies on bacteria specifically focus on the changes of communities due to exposure to stormwater contaminants, there is a wider body of knowledge that focuses on the response of bacterial communities to metal exposure (Das, Dash, & Chakraborty, 2016). For example, one study, which compared two metal contaminated sites with an order of magnitude difference in contamination, suggested that adaptations of bacterial communities to metal exposure are subtle but significant and that the bacterial communities in freshwater sediments adapt to metal exposure without widespread changes to the bacterial population (Gillan et al. 2015). Adaptations of microbial communities may occur at either the genus/species level (e.g. *Pseudomonas fluorescens*, *Alcaligenes faecalis*, *Ochrobactrum tritici*, etc.) or at the gene level (e.g. CadB, ChrA, CopAB, etc.).

Certain species of bacteria may be able to adapt to environments with elevated metal levels, which would otherwise be toxic for other bacteria, through application of elements within their genetic systems and/or through mechanisms for maintaining their internal ecosystem (Ryan et al. 2009). In their review of bacterial adaptations, Das et al. (2016) point out that bacteria are uniquely able to adapt to all types of extreme environments due to several features including their:

- Small size;
- High surface area to volume ratio; and
- Ability to efficiently transfer genetic traits.

In addition to these features, bacteria have developed three primary methods for metal resistance including:

1. Efflux of irritant metals outside the cell by transporters;
2. Transformation of metals into less toxic forms; and
3. Bioadsorption.

Efflux requires that bacteria consume energy (ATP) to pump metal cations outside of the cell (Nies 2003). Transformation to a less toxic state requires that bacteria reduce metals to a dissimilar oxidation state. Bioadsorption typically requires that bacteria bind metals onto their cellular surface – this typically involves formation of a biofilm, which can be highly complex and versatile (Harrison et al. 2006).

Beginning in the 1970's, numerous bacteria have been identified for their metal resistant traits. In 1999 Nies reviewed known metal resistance mechanisms to that date. In 2016, Das et al. updated the works of Nies with the goal of identifying opportunities for bioremediation. In their words, Das et al. (2016) state that “the ability of bacteria to resist toxic metals comes from a highly modified genetic system, by means

of which bacteria synthesize proteins enabling them to thrive in the presence of such elements. Bacteria survive by expressing several metal-resistant genes toward toxic metals.” The relevant details from both summaries with respect to stormwater pollutants are summarized in Table 19.

Table 19. Bacterial adaptations to metals in stormwater (adapted from Nies 1999; Das et al. 2016)

| Metal | Adaptation | Sources |
|----------|--|--|
| Antimony | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Leishmania</i> cells are able to gain resistance to arsenic and antimony by efflux. | Rosenstein et al. 1992; Sanders et al. 1997 |
| Arsenic | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Aerobic bacteria, like <i>Alcaligenes faecalis</i>, are able to oxidize arsenic. • <i>Leishmania</i> cells are able to gain resistance to arsenic and antimony by efflux. | Laverman et al. 1995 Dey et al. 1994 |
| Cadmium | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Resistance to cadmium in bacteria is based on cadmium efflux. • In Cyanobacteria, amplification of the smt metallothionein locus increases cadmium resistance and deletion of it decreases resistance. • In gram-negative bacteria, cadmium is detoxified by RND-driven systems like Czc, which is mainly a zinc exporter and Ncc, which is mainly a nickel exporter. • In gram-positive bacteria, the first example of a cadmium-exporting P-type ATPase was the Cad-A pump from <i>S. aureus</i>. | Olafson et al. 1979 Gupta et al. 1992; Gupta et al. 1993; Turner et al. 1993 Thelwell et al. 1998; Nies 1995; Nies & Silver 1989b; Schmidt & Schlegel 1994 Nucifora et al. 1989; Silver et al. 1989 |
| Chromium | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To fight chromium toxicity, microbes have developed two mechanisms of chromium resistance. The first is a method of chromate efflux from the cells, and the second method involves enzymatic reduction of toxic Cr⁶⁺ to less toxic Cr³⁺. • The operon for chromium efflux is encoded in four genes, chr-BACF • Chr-R was identified as a chromate reductase gene. The general chromate transport reactions involve a family of chromate ion transporters. • Three other genes, chr-JKL, were later identified and proven to be involved in the chromium reduction process. • Chromium can also be reduced through bacterial excretion of enzymes but this process is lesser known. • <i>Pseudomonas fluorescens</i> strain LB300, was shown to reduce chromate and a broad variety of bacteria that are able to reduce chromate have since been found. | Das et al. 2016 Branco et al. 2008 Gonzalez et al. 2005 Henne et al. 2009 Batool et al. 2012; Mishra et al. 2012 Bopp & Ehrlich 1988; Cervantes & Silver 1992 |
| Cobalt | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Resistance to cobalt in gram-negative bacteria is based on a trans-envelope efflux driven by a resistance, nodulation, cell division (RND) transporter. • Cobalt resistance seems always to be the by-product of resistance to another heavy metal, either nickel or zinc. | Liesegang et al. 1993; Schmidt & Schlegel 1994 Nies et al. 1987 |
| Copper | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A major copper resistance mechanism in bacteria is encoded within four genes, cop-YABZ. Bacteria with these genes will show early copper retention followed by a metal efflux process. • Other bacteria, including <i>E. Coli</i> have been shown to have a double regulatory mechanism for copper resistance, which is encoded in a sensing system controlled by the two genes, cus-RS, and this sensing | Odermatt et al. 1992, 1993; Wunderli-Ye & Solioz 1999; Albarracin et al. 2008 Djoko et al. 2010 |

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| | <p>mechanism regulates metal efflux, which is controlled by four proteins cus-CFBA.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Some bacteria also have a copper efflux system where the regulatory gene, cue-R, regulates two genes, cop-A and Cue-O, which cause copper efflux. • Cso-R is another regulatory gene in bacteria, which in the presence of Cu⁺ de-represses copper resistance genes. • A <i>Streptococcus</i> strain was seen to have a copper transport operon named cop-YAZ in which cop-Y and cop-Z were established as heavy metal-binding proteins. • <i>Pseudomonas fluorescens</i> has been reported to possess a cop-RSCD operon for copper efflux. • <i>Helicobacter pylori</i> contains two separate operons for copper export and import, hpcop-AP. • <i>Bacillus subtilis</i> has another copper regulatory system, mediated and regulated by Ycn-Jk and Cso-R. Together, these genes maintain a state of copper homeostasis. • An ATPase-driven copper efflux system is the main mechanism responsible for cytoplasmic copper removal: the multicopper oxidase Cue-O in <i>E.coli</i> and <i>Enetrobactin</i> oxidizes Cu (I) to Cu (II). • <i>Yersiniabactin</i> sequesters Cu (II) outside the bacterial cell protecting the bacteria from intracellular killing. | <p>Djoko et al. 2010</p> <p>Chang et al. 2014</p> <p>Vats & Lee 2001</p> <p>Hu et al. 2009</p> <p>Ge & Taylor 1996</p> <p>Chillappagari et al. 2009</p> <p>Grass et al. 2004</p> <p>Chaturvedi et al. 2012</p> |
| Lead | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lead-tolerant bacteria have been isolated, and precipitation of lead phosphate within the cells of these bacteria has been reported. • Several bacteria, such as <i>Arthrobacter</i> spp., <i>Bacillus megaterium</i>, <i>Pseudomonas marginalis</i>, <i>Citrobacter freundii</i>, <i>Staphylococcus aureus</i>, and <i>E. coli</i> have been found to be resistant to lead. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The most studied lead efflux operon, named the pbr operon, was found to contain many structural genes, (pbr-TABCD) and one regulatory gene (pbr-R) • Metal immobilization by the process of extracellular sequestration is also important for regulating metal toxicity: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lead binding by the negatively charged components of EPS has been demonstrated in <i>P. aeruginosa</i> strain CH07. • <i>Pseudomonas marginalis</i> is able to resist lead through sequestration of lead in an exopolymer. • Similarly, the EPS of <i>Paenibacillus jamilae</i> bioadsorbs lead • There are many enzymatic activities in the bacterial EPS which assist in toxic metal transformation by chemical reaction, precipitation, or entrapment. • Bioprecipitation of toxic metals to insoluble complex formation is another strategy which reduces metal bioavailability and toxicity: • <i>Bacillus iodinium</i> strain GP13 and <i>Bacillus pumilus</i> strain S3 were reported to precipitate lead as lead sulfide. | <p>Trajanovska et al. 1997; Levinson & Mahler 1998;</p> <p>Das et al. 2016</p> <p>Borremans et al. 2001; Jarosławiecka & Piotrowska-Seget 2014</p> <p>Das et al. 2016</p> <p>De et al. 2007</p> <p>Roane 1999</p> <p>Morillo et al. 2008</p> <p>Paul 2008</p> <p>Das et al. 2016</p> <p>De et al. 2008</p> |

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| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A phosphate-solubilizing bacterium, <i>E. cloacae</i>, was found to resist lead by immobilizing lead as an insoluble lead phosphate mineral, pyromorphite | Park et al. 2011 |
| Nickel | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Nickel is detoxified by sequestration and/or transport. It is bound to polyphosphate in <i>S. aureus</i>. | Gonzalez & Jensen 1998 |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The best-known nickel resistance in bacteria, in <i>Ralstonia sp.</i> strain CH34 and related bacteria, is based on a nickel efflux pump driven by an RND transporter. | Nies 1999 |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Nickel resistance in bacteria is generally mediated by efflux pumps. One such resistance mechanism has been studied in <i>Cupriavidus metallidurans</i> strain CH34 where it was reported that the presence of the efflux pump was encoded by the cnr-YHXCBAT gene system. | Grass et al. 2000 |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • In <i>Achromobacter xylosoxidans</i> strain 31A, only one gene, nreB, was responsible for conferring the entire nickel resistance efflux system. | Grass et al. 2005 |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The ncc operon provides combined nickel, cobalt, and cadmium resistance. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Seven open reading frames (ORFs) were studied and designated ncc-YXHCBAN. The nucleotide sequence revealed significant similarity to the cnr and czc operons of <i>Alcaligenes eutrophus</i> strain CH34. | Schmidt & Schlegel 1994 |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • In <i>E. coli</i>, the rcn-A gene encodes a membrane-bound polypeptide which had the ability to confer resistance to nickel and cobalt. | Tibazarwa et al. 2000 |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Another efflux pump was identified in <i>Helicobacter pylori</i> and named czn-ABC, for cadmium, zinc, and nickel. | Rodrigue et al. 2005 |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • In another study, the nickel/cobalt transferase gene, NiCo-T, from <i>Staphylococcus aureus</i> was amplified and established as having high resistance | Stahler et al. 2006 |
| Zinc | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Two systems are used for zinc detoxification in bacteria, P-type efflux ATPases and RND-driven transporters. | Zhang et al. 2007 |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • In <i>E. coli</i> and <i>Synechocysti</i>, Znt-A and Zia-A are responsible for zinc efflux. Efflux pumps for cadmium resistance often also cause zinc efflux. | Beard et al. 1997; Rensing et al. 1997b Thelwell et al. 1998 |

3.4.4 DNA Sequencing and Data Analysis Methods

3.4.4.1 DNA Sequencing Overview

Early methods for DNA sequencing began in 1970 and were unautomated, extremely costly, and took years to complete; these methods are generally no longer in use and are described elsewhere (Chen, 1994). However, since 1995 when the first bacterial genome was sequenced (Fleischmann et al., 1995), scientific capabilities with DNA sequencing and genome-based analytics have rapidly increased. Loman et al. (2012) discuss how extremely rapid growth in this field has led to “an embarrassment of choice” between instruments and platforms and also that “vigorous competition between manufacturers has resulted in sustained technical improvements on almost all platforms.” There are numerous sequencing technologies available to researchers, each offering its own set of advantages and disadvantages. There are also

numerous precursors or alternate methods for analyzing bacterial diversity and function, some of which are still commonly used and others of which are being phased out due to out-competition from emerging/modern technologies.

Selecting the right analysis method for a study depends on a number of factors including:

- The goal of the study;
- The sample media and the expected DNA quantity and quality obtainable during extraction;
- The depth and quality of data required to achieve the study goal;
- The availability of analysis technologies and institutional expertise for guidance; and
- The study timeline and budget.

Bacteria are highly concentrated in the natural environment; one gram of soil or sediment typically contains 10^{10} bacteria while one millilitre of seawater typically contains 10^6 bacteria (Torsvik et al., 1990). Because of the massive population, comparing bacterial diversity quickly becomes extremely complex.

Bacterial diversity exists at three levels: within species (genetic), between species (species) and community (ecological) diversity (Harpole, 2010). Species diversity can be further broken down into two components – species richness and species distribution. Species richness refers to the total number of different species in the population while species distribution refers to the evenness of the different species in the population. Diversity studies can relay useful information about the stresses on an ecosystem; generally, a bacterial community that is diverse is more stable when responding to environmental stresses as it contains the genetic code for adaptability to change (Yannarell & Triplett, 2005). Diversity will change in response to stress and this can be monitored as a cause and effect relationship.

Methods for analyzing microbial diversity and abundance can be categorized into three groups: conventional (culture-based), biochemical and molecular. *Table 20* summarizes some of the most common conventional and biochemical analysis techniques.

Table 20. Common Conventional and Biochemical Techniques for Analyzing Microbial Diversity and Abundance (adapted from Fakruddin & Mannan, 2013)

| Method | Description | Advantages | Disadvantages |
|---|---|--|--|
| Plate counts | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Culture bacteria on growth media followed by viable counts | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Fast • Inexpensive | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Un-culturable bacteria not detected • Bias towards fast growing bacteria |
| Community level physiological profiling (CLPP)/ Sole-Carbon Source Utilization (SCSU) Pattern | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Identify pure cultures of bacteria to the species level using their metabolic properties • Examine the functional capabilities of the microbial population • Compare metabolic capabilities of communities. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Fast • Highly reproducible • Relatively inexpensive • Able to differentiate microbial communities • Generates large amount of data • Option of using bacterial, fungal plates or site specific carbon sources | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Only represents culturable fraction of community • Favours fast growing bacteria • Only represents those organisms capable of utilizing available carbon sources • Potential metabolic diversity, not <i>in situ</i> diversity • Sensitive to inoculum density |
| Phospholipid fatty acid (PLFA) analysis/Fatty acid methyl ester analysis (FAME) | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Use the fatty acid composition of microorganisms to aid microbial characterization • Analyze the PLFA composition of the organisms since different subsets of a community have different PLFA patterns. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Culturing not required • Direct extraction from soil • Follow specific organisms or communities | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Can be influenced by external factors • Results can be confounded by other microorganisms |

Molecular techniques, can be further divided into partial community analysis techniques and whole community analysis techniques. These techniques can also be classified as first generation, next generation, or third generation methods based on the throughput, quality and depth of information obtained.

Partial community analysis generally involves first generation PCR-based analysis techniques where DNA or RNA extracted from an environmental sample is used as a template to characterize microorganisms (Rastogi & Sani, 2011). Essentially, in partial community analysis, researchers determine the genetic signature in a sample by selecting and analyzing a specific gene that is conserved among all species such as the 16S rRNA gene or the RNA polymerase beta sub-unit (rpoB).

The disadvantage of partial community analysis is that researchers must compare to a database of known information in order to parcel out results from their samples; however, the growing databases of known species data have made these methods highly desirable in recent years. Technological advances in the throughput and depth of information that can be obtained in partial community analysis has led to the development of next generation methods including the Illumina MiSeq platform, which is a type of clone library analysis. *Table 21* summarizes common partial community analysis techniques and their advantages and disadvantages.

Table 21. Common Partial Community Analysis Molecular Techniques for Analyzing Microbial Diversity and Abundance (adapted from Fakruddin & Mannan, 2013; Rastogi & Sani, 2011)

| Method | Description | Advantages | Disadvantages |
|---|--|--|--|
| Nucleic acid re-association and hybridization | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Estimate diversity by measuring the genetic complexity of the microbial community (re-association) Use specific probes (e.g. FISH) on extracted DNA or RNA, or <i>in situ</i> to examine and quantify known sequences (hybridization) | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Total DNA extracted Not influenced by PCR biases Can study DNA or RNA Can be studied <i>in situ</i> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Lack of sensitivity Sequences need to be in high copy number for detection Dependent on lysing and extraction efficiency |
| DNA microarrays and DNA hybridization | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Develop a microarray to elucidate function diversity of a community by identify specific target genes coding for enzymes such as nitrogenase, nitrate reductase, naphthalene dioxygenase <i>etc.</i> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Same as nucleic acid hybridization Thousands of genes can be analyzed Increased specificity | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Only detect the most abundant species Need to culture organisms Only accurate in low diversity systems |
| Denaturing (DGGE) and Temperature (TGGE) Gradient Gel Electrophoresis | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Use a linear gradient of DNA denaturants (DGGE) or temperature (TGGE) to separate DNA fragments (16S or 18S rRNA) of the same length but with different base-pair sequences and differentiate the fragments based on their mobility (Mühling <i>et al.</i>, 2008) | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Large number of samples can be analyzed simultaneously Reliable, reproducible and rapid | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> PCR biases Dependent on lysing and extraction efficiency Sample handling can influence community One band can represent more than one species Detects dominant species |
| Single Strand Conformation Polymorphism (SSCP) | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Analyze differences in the mobility of single stranded DNA on polyacrylamide gel, resulting from the folded secondary structure of DNA, which is dependent on DNA sequences | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Same as DGGE/TGGE No GC clamp No gradient | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> PCR biases Some ssDNA can form more than one stable conformation |
| Restriction Fragment Length Polymorphism (RFLP) | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Blot electrophoresed digests from agarose gels onto membranes and hybridize with a probe prepared from cloned DNA segments of related organisms | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Detect structural changes in microbial community | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> PCR biases Banding patterns often too complex |
| Terminal Restriction Fragment Length Polymorphism (T-RFLP) | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Follow the same principle as RFLP except label one PCR primer with a fluorescent dye, perform PCR on the sample DNA using universal 16S rDNA primers and separate fragments by gel electrophoresis, where each unique fragment length can be counted as an OTU and the frequency of OTUs can be calculated (Liu <i>et al.</i>, 1997) | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Simpler banding patterns than RFLP Can be automated Large number of samples Highly reproducible Ability to compare differences between microbial communities | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Dependent on extraction and lysing efficiency PCR biases Type of <i>Taq</i> can increase variability Choice of restriction enzymes will influence community fingerprint |

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| Ribosomal Intergenic Spacer Analysis (RISA)/Automated Ribosomal Intergenic Spacer Analysis (ARISA) | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Detect sequence polymorphisms using silver staining in RISA or a fluorescently labeled forward primer in ARISA • Use PCR to amplify the intergenic spacer (IGS) region between the 16S and 23S ribosomal subunits, denature and separate units on a polyacrylamide gel and differentiate between bacterial strains and species based on heterogeneity (Fisher & Triplett, 1999). | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Highly reproducible community profiles | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Requires large quantities of DNA (for RISA) • PCR biases |
| Quantitative polymerase chain reaction (Q-PCR) | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Use dyes or probes to measure the accumulation of amplicons in real time during each cycle of the PCR and quantify based on the exponential increase in amplicon concentration | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Rapid • Successfully used for quantification of important physiological groups | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Highly sensitive to starting template concentration • Requires microbe concentrations to be above detection limits |
| Clone library method (e.g. MiSeq) | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Clone and then sequence the individual gene fragments in an environmental sample (e.g. 16S rRNA genes) and compare to a known database such as GreenGenes or Silva | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Most widely used method to analyze PCR products • The 'gold standard' for preliminary microbial diversity surveys • Large availability of data for comparison • 16S rRNA gene is highly stable and conserved | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Labor intensive • Time consuming • Expensive • May not decipher the entire microbial community composition |

In contrast with partial community analysis techniques, whole community analysis techniques attempt to analyze all of the genetic information extracted from a sample. The first common modern method of whole community analysis to be developed was automated Sanger sequencing (Slatko et al., 2011); however, this was a first generation technique that was costly and highly time-intensive and while it did elucidate much insight into the link between microbial function and taxonomic identity, a large body of information was still poorly understood. Next generation sequencing methods emerged in 2005 and their advent has revolutionized the scientific understanding of microbial communities and relationships (Lagares et al., 2012). Table 22 summarizes the most common techniques for whole community analysis.

Table 22. *Common Techniques for Analyzing Microbial Diversity and Abundance using Whole Community Analysis (adapted from Fakruddin & Mannan, 2013; Rastogi & Sani, 2011)*

| Method | Description | Advantages | Disadvantages |
|--|--|--|--|
| Automated chain terminator (Sanger) sequencing | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Sequence whole microbial genomes using a shotgun cloning method that involves (1) extraction of DNA from pure cultures, (2) random fragmentation of obtained genomic DNA into small fragments, (3) ligation and cloning of DNA fragments into plasmid vectors, and (4) bidirectional sequencing of DNA fragments | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Small machines are available for low-throughput laboratories Useful for some specific applications (e.g. finishing genomes) | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Costly Time-intensive Sequencing low number of clones captures only dominant components of the microbial communities |
| Metagenomics | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Investigation of the collective microbial genomes retrieved directly from environmental samples without relying on cultivation or prior knowledge of the microbial communities (Riesenfeld et al. 2004) | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Cost-effective Higher throughput Simpler library preparation No cloning step Steadily improving read lengths Minimal hands on time | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Long run time Short read lengths Some methods yield high error rates or biases Expensive reagents |
| Metatranscriptomics | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Allows monitoring of microbial gene expression profiles in natural environments by studying global transcription of genes by random sequencing of mRNA transcripts pooled from microbial communities at a particular time and place | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Suitable for measuring changes in gene expression and their regulation with changing environmental conditions | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Prokaryotic microbial mRNA transcripts are not polyA tailed, so obtaining complementary DNA is not easy. |
| Proteogenomics | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Deals with the large-scale study of proteins expressed by environmental microbial communities at a given point in time | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Rapid and sensitive Protein biomarkers are more reliable and provide a clearer picture of metabolic functions than functional genes or even the corresponding mRNA transcripts of microbial communities | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> New emerging technology |

Concerning whole community analysis, metagenomics is the focus of this study as the goal is to develop a genomics tool for stormwater treatment applications. Therefore, those interested in further detail of other whole community analysis methods should consult elsewhere (Rastogi & Sani, 2011). Various companies supply technologies for metagenome sequencing including the Roche 454 platform (Life Sciences), the HiSeq (Illumina), and the Ion Torrent Personal Genome Machine (Thermo Fisher) (Bragg & Tyson, 2014). Each of these technologies offers advantages and disadvantages with greater advantages established with

each upcoming model (ibid). Currently, the most popular platform is the Illumina HiSeq system. Bragg and Tyson (2014) describe the Illumina sequencing protocol:

“The Illumina sequencing protocol begins by ligating template DNA to an adaptor sequence and thence onto a glass flow cell. The template DNA is subjected to bridge amplification, whereby each template is increased to roughly 1,000 copies. By using an isothermal polymerase and 3' inactivated fluorescent nucleotides, Illumina is able to incorporate a solitary base each cycle. Each base addition is followed by an imaging step, which reads the fluorescent label.”

There are numerous models of the HiSeq platform including the HiSeq, HiSeq 2000, HiSeq 2500, and HiSeq 3000/4000. With each model upgrade, the sequencing power and efficiency increases; however, the general analysis principles remain the same.

3.4.4.2 Sequence Data Analysis Overview

Due to the complexity of data obtained, analysis of next generation sequenced data requires several steps. These are summarized as follows (Lagares et al., 2012):

1. Data filtering: Identifying and removing noisy reads based on quality scores;
2. Data trimming: Removing regions with a high likelihood of error;
3. Noise removal: Iteratively pre-clustering and deleting both chimeras and PCR artifacts;
4. Data clustering: Defining OTUs by linking sequences with a threshold for percent similarity (e.g. 97%);
5. Taxonomic assignment: Comparing with a reference alignment of known taxonomic assignments (for MiSeq) or classification based on sequence homology and composition (HiSeq);
6. Assembly of metagenomes: Finding overlaps between reads and building consensus sequences, so-called contigs, based on multiple alignments;
7. Gene annotation: Identifying metagenomic sequences using gene prediction tools;
8. Metabolic reconstruction: Using gene predictions to understand the metabolic potential of a microbial community; and
9. Comparative metagenomics: Searching for statistically significant differences between metagenomes using either taxonomic classifications or gene/metabolic annotations.

There are various software tools available to researchers for these purposes. *Table 23* summarizes some of the more common software applications and provides links to each tool's website for more information.

Table 23. Common Software Applications for Sequence Data Analysis

| Application | Name | Webpage |
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| General sequence processing | Mothur | http://www.mothur.org/ |
| | QIIME | http://www.qiime.org/ |
| De-noising | AmpliconNoise | http://code.google.com/p/ampliconnoise/ |
| | DeNoiser | http://www.qiime.org/ |
| Clustering | UCLUST | http://www.drive5.com/usearch/ |
| | Mothur | http://www.mothur.org/ |
| | DNACLUST | http://sourceforge.net/projects/dnaclust/ |
| | CD-hit | http://www.bioinformatics.org/cd-hit/ |
| Alignment | Mothur | http://www.mothur.org/ |
| | MAFFT | http://mafft.cbrc.jp/alignment/software/ |
| | PyNAST | http://pynast.sourceforge.net/ |
| | RDP | http://pyro.cme.msu.edu/ |
| | SILVA | http://www.arb-silva.de/ |
| Phylo-genetics | RAXML | http://sco.h-its.org/exelixis/software.html |
| | FastTree | http://www.microbesonline.org/fasttree/ |
| Community analysis | QIIME | http://www.qiime.org/ |
| | Mothur | http://www.mothur.org/ |
| | MG-RAST | http://metagenomics.anl.gov/ |
| | R (VEGAN, GGPlot) | http://www.r-project.org/ |
| Assembly | Newbler | http://454.com/ |
| | Celera Assembler | http://sourceforge.net/apps/mediawiki/wgs-assembler/index.php?title=Main_Page |
| | CLC Assembly cell | www.clcbio.com |
| | Meta-IDBA | http://i.cs.hku.hk/~alse/hkubrg/projects/metaidba/ |
| | Genovo | http://cs.stanford.edu/group/genovo/ |
| | MetaORFA | n.a. |
| | MetaVelvet | http://metavelvet.dna.bio.keio.ac.jp/ |
| Short read gene prediction | Bambus 2 | http://www.cbcb.umd.edu/software/bambus/ |
| | Orphelia | http://orphelia.gobics.de/ |
| | Metagenemark | http://exon.gatech.edu/metagenome/Prediction/ |
| | FragGeneScan | http://omics.informatics.indiana.edu/FragGeneScan/ |
| Metagenomics tools | MetaGeneAnnotator | http://metagene.cb.k.u-tokyo.ac.jp/ |
| | MEGAN | http://ab.inf.uni-tuebingen.de/software/megan/welcome.html |
| | SOrt-ITEMS | http://metagenomics.atc.tcs.com/binning/SOrt-ITEMS/ |
| | WebCARMA/CARMA 3 | http://www.cebitec.uni-bielefeld.de/brf/carma/carma.html |
| | Treephyler | http://gobics.de/fabian/treephyler |
| | PhyloPhytiaS | http://binning.bioinf.mpi-inf.mpg.de |
| | TACOA | http://www.cebitec.uni-bielefeld.de/brf/tacoa/tacoa.html |
| | Phymm/PhymmBL | http://www.cbcb.umd.edu/software/phymm/ |
| | Naïve Bayes classifier | http://ratite.cs.dal.ca/rita/submission |
| | MG-RAST | http://metagenomics.anl.gov/ |
| | CAMERA | http://camera.calit2.net/ |
| | IMG/M | http://img.jgi.doe.gov |
| | GAAS | http://sourceforge.net/projects/gaas/ |
| | SmashCommunity | http://www.bork.embl.de/software/smash |
| | Meta-rep | http://www.jcvi.org/metarep |
| Xipe | http://edwards.sdsu.edu/cgi-bin/xipe.cgi | |
| STAMP | http://kiwi.cs.dal.ca/Software/STAMP | |

3.5 Methodology

The primary focus of this chapter was to provide proof of concept microbial results which either support or reject further research towards a genomics-based monitoring tool for stormwater treatment wetlands and other low impact stormwater treatment sites. With this goal in mind, a two-part strategic methodology was developed. First, a field study was performed at the Lost Lagoon wetland with the collection of water and sediment samples described in Chapter 1. In support of this chapter's first two objectives and hypotheses, DNA was extracted, sequenced, analyzed and compared with environmental data. Second, a laboratory study was designed and performed, in support of this chapter's third objective and hypothesis. Like in the field study, water and sediment samples were collected over the experimental period and DNA was extracted, sequenced, analyzed and compared with environmental data.

A detailed description of the methodology employed to answer the objectives and hypotheses listed at the beginning of this chapter is supplied here.

3.5.1 Field Study Site Visits and Sampling Regime

Please consult section 2.5 for details of the field study site visits and sampling regime.

3.5.2 Column Study Preparation and Execution

A four month long, laboratory study was carried out using columns of uncontaminated natural soil sourced from a bog near Beaver Lake as highlighted in Figure 2 in the introduction to this thesis. Columns were fed either semi-synthetic stormwater or distilled water and the contaminant levels and microbial responses were measured over time.

3.5.2.1 Sourcing and Confirmation of Uncontaminated Soil

To confirm the soil quality prior to collection of uncontaminated park soil, a location that was believed to be free of stormwater contamination was sited near the Beaver Lake bog. On October 27, 2015, six samples were collected across the bog site and each sample site was marked with flag tape. The samples were packed into plastic freezer bags and were brought back to the laboratory and analyzed for metal content.

3.5.2.2 Collection of Uncontaminated Soil

After soil quality was confirmed, a soil collection day was planned for November 11, 2015. Eight large coolers were disinfected. Coolers were scrubbed with laboratory dish detergent, soaked overnight with 5% bleach solution, allowed to dry, rinsed with 1% nitric acid solution, and sprayed and wiped with 95%

ethanol. Shovels were also cleaned with dish detergent, rinsed with bleach, and sprayed with ethanol prior to soil collection.

On November 11, 2015, bog soil was collected from Stanley Park. A team of four workers shoveled soil into clean five gallon buckets and transferred the soil to the disinfected coolers. A total of eight coolers of soil were collected and transferred by truck to the UBC civil engineering department refrigerators, where they were stored at $<4^{\circ}\text{C}$ until further processing.

3.5.2.3 Column Study Environment

In order to run the study over four months, a clean temperature controlled room was prepared. The room was emptied of shelving and the walls, ceiling, refrigeration system, and floor were scrubbed with laboratory grade dish soap and tap water. Next the surfaces were sprayed with hospital grade germicide and allowed to stand for fifteen minutes. Following germicide, the surfaces were wiped clean with paper towel and then sprayed with 10% bleach solution and allowed to stand for twenty-four hours. Finally, the surfaces were given a final cleaning with 95% disinfection grade ethanol.

3.5.2.4 Pre-Study Experiment

Before the full laboratory experiment began, the column configuration was run and studied for one week on one column and the ORP, conductivity, pH, DO, and temperature were monitored and confirmed to be in the range of values measured in the Lost Lagoon wetland forebay.

3.5.2.5 Column Configuration and Set-Up

Seventeen sediment columns were analyzed over a four-month period. The sediment columns were constructed from five gallon opaque PVC buckets. Before the study began, the buckets were scrubbed with laboratory grade dish detergent and soaked in a 10% bleach-water solution for twenty-four hours. To prevent preferential flow along the smooth inside of the buckets, the inner lining of each bucket was then roughed with coarse sand paper. The buckets were again washed with laboratory grade dish detergent and soaked in bleach solution for twenty-four hours. Buckets were rinsed twice with distilled water, rinsed once with 1% nitric acid, rinsed once with distilled water, and wiped clean with 95% disinfection grade ethanol. The same cleaning process was used for the column lids.

On November 19, 2015, soil was packed into the laboratory columns. 2.5 L from each cooler was placed into a clean bucket and homogenized using a hand mixer. Large debris including sticks, rocks, leaves, roots etcetera, that had a length greater than 0.5 cm was removed. No garbage or fecal matter was observed in the soil. One litre of soil was then packed into each column using a clean rubber mallet. This process was

repeated eight times so that the height of soil packed into each column reach 15-cm. Columns were zeroed and weighed and the mass of soil added to each column was recorded. The columns were allowed to sit covered in the clean controlled room at <4°C until further processing.

On November 25, 2015, 8-L of distilled water was added to six columns, which would serve as study controls. 5-L of distilled water was added to each of eleven columns, which would serve as the object of the study, hereafter referred to as exposed columns. A 0.5 cm hole was drilled into the lid of each column and the holes were sealed with bungs. The lids were placed on top of each column while they reached temperature equilibrium with the control room. The temperature in the control room was then increased by 2°C on the morning of each subsequent day until the temperature of the room reached 18°C.

3.5.2.6 Column Water Dosing Regime and Environmental Controls

3.5.2.6.1 *Stormwater Dose Quality*

Based on several resources, (Bratieres et al., 2008; Blecken et al., 2009; Lewis & Sjostrom, 2010; Zhang et al., 2015), a recipe was developed for semi-synthetic stormwater to be used as simulated urban runoff in the column study. A combination of real sediment and chemical additives was mixed with dechlorinated distilled water in order to achieve target TSS concentrations and to maintain consistent inflow, while also mimicking 'natural' conditions.

On November 27, 2015, fine sediment, which was collected from Site 2.1 in the Lost Lagoon wetland forebay, was autoclaved, centrifuged and decanted to remove water, and baked at 105°C for 48 hours. This sediment was frozen at <-4°C prior to use in the stormwater recipe.

Average values from literature as well as the predicted quality of sediment from Site 2.1 in the Lost Lagoon Wetland were used to set target stormwater quality and to prepare a stormwater 'recipe'. *Table 24* lists stormwater qualities found in literature and the 2013 Hemmera analyses for quality of sediment in the Lost Lagoon Wetland.

Table 24. Urban Highway Stormwater Quality from Literature and Sediment Quality Data from the Lost Lagoon Wetland in 2013

| Element | Washington ¹ | British Columbia ² | Blecken et al (2009) | Dredged Sediment ³ |
|------------|-------------------------|-------------------------------|----------------------|-------------------------------|
| | µg /L | µg /L | µg/L | mg/kg |
| Antimony | 8.7 | - | - | 64 |
| Arsenic | 2.6 | 10-130 | - | 7 |
| Barium | 84 | - | - | 205 |
| Cadmium | 2.8 | - | 6.7 | 3.5 |
| Chromium | 18 | 10-110 | - | 135 |
| Cobalt | 4.4 | 0.7-30 | - | 11 |
| Copper | 72 | 13-288 | 95 | 650 |
| Lead | 61 | 10-3775 | 181.5 | 250 |
| Molybdenum | 9.5 | - | - | 28 |
| Nickel | 12.9 | 2-126 | - | 46 |
| Zinc | 394 | 40-25500 | 587.3 | 1150 |
| Phosphorus | 500 | - | - | - |
| Nitrogen | 2800 | - | - | - |
| TSS* | 400-1200 | | 155 | - |

*mg/L

¹Washington State (EPA), 2007

²British Columbia Waste Management Group, 1992

³Hemmera, 2013

Based on data from the state of Washington, USA, it was assumed that average highway stormwater would have a TSS concentration of approximately 800 mg/L. In order to maintain more consistent metal levels, the stormwater recipe for the laboratory column study was prepared in a semi-synthetic fashion. The stormwater was prepared using a target TSS of 400 mg/L and the remaining metal concentrations were 'topped up' using chemical additives. *Table 25* lists the target metal concentrations for the stormwater and the top up required using chemical additives.

Table 25. Target Element Concentrations for Semi-Synthetic Stormwater Recipe

| Element | 800 mg/L TSS | 400 mg/L TSS | Target | Chemical Top Up Required |
|------------|--------------|--------------|--------|--------------------------|
| | µg/L | µg/L | µg/L | µg/L |
| Antimony | 51.2 | 25.6 | 65 | 39 |
| Arsenic | 5.6 | 2.8 | 100 | 97 |
| Barium | 164 | 82 | 205 | 123 |
| Cadmium | 2.8 | 1.4 | 5 | 4 |
| Chromium | 108 | 54 | 100 | 46 |
| Cobalt | 8.8 | 4.4 | 15 | 11 |
| Copper | 520 | 260 | 650 | 390 |
| Lead | 200 | 100 | 550 | 450 |
| Molybdenum | 22.4 | 11.2 | 30 | 19 |
| Nickel | 36.8 | 18.4 | 100 | 82 |
| Zinc | 920 | 460 | 1100 | 640 |
| Phosphorus | 0 | 0 | 500 | 500 |
| Nitrogen | - | - | 2800 | 2800 |

Chemical additives were selected based on previous work performed by Blecken et al., (2009) and based on common availability of these additives in the laboratory.

Table 26 lists the chemical additives that were used for the stormwater recipe. Concentrated volumes of the chemical additives were prepared in separate 1-L bottles for each element and the volumes were stored in a refrigerator at <4°C for use over the duration of the study.

Table 26. Chemical Additives Used for Semi-Synthetic Stormwater Supplementation

| Element | Chemical Additive | Molecular Mass | % Element |
|------------|------------------------------------|----------------|-----------|
| | | g/mol | g/g |
| Antimony | $K_2Sb_2(C_4H_2O_6)_2$ | 613.83 | 40% |
| Arsenic | As_2O_3 | 197.84 | 76% |
| Barium | $BaCl_2$ | 208.23 | 66% |
| Cadmium | $Cd(NO_3)_2 \cdot 4H_2O$ | 368.45 | 31% |
| Chromium | $[Cr(H_2O)_6](NO_3)_3 \cdot 3H_2O$ | 535.07 | 10% |
| Cobalt | $Co(NO_3)_2 \cdot 6H_2O$ | 291.03 | 20% |
| Copper | $CuSO_4 \cdot 5H_2O$ | 267.70 | 24% |
| Lead | $Pb(NO_3)_2$ | 331.21 | 63% |
| Molybdenum | $(NH_4)_6Mo_7O_{24} \cdot 4H_2O$ | 1,235.86 | 8% |
| Nickel | $NiCl_2 \cdot 6H_2O$ | 237.69 | 25% |
| Zinc | $ZnCl_2$ | 136.30 | 48% |
| Phosphorus | KH_2PO_4 | 136.09 | 23% |
| Nitrogen | NH_4NO_3 | 80.04 | 35% |

On November 30, 2015, semi-synthetic stormwater was prepared to match the target concentrations listed in *Table 25*. Stormwater was mixed in disinfected 5 gallon buckets and stored in sterile glass 2-L amber bottles at <4°C until application. Batches of semi-synthetic stormwater were prepared at two week intervals.

3.5.2.6.2 Stormwater Dose Volume and Frequency

To determine the stormwater dosing regime, the ratio of the top surface area sediment column to the Lost Lagoon wetland catchment area was calculated.

The watershed catchment area was calculated in Appendix E:

$$\text{Lost Lagoon Watershed Catchment Area} = 32143 \text{ m}^2$$

The column top surface area was calculated using the measured diameter:

$$\text{Column Top Surface Area} = \pi r^2 = \pi(0.14^2) = 0.061544 \text{ m}^2$$

The ratio of column top surface area and catchment area was calculated using:

$$\text{Ratio} = \frac{0.061544 \text{ m}^2}{32134 \text{ m}^2} = 1.91 \times 10^{-6} \frac{\text{m}^2}{\text{m}^2}$$

Next, average weather data from Environment Canada weather station 1108446, Vancouver Harbour CS, which is located 1.82 km from Stanley Park was used to determine monthly average temperature and precipitation values for the field study site over the period between August and November.

Table 27. Environment Canada Average Precipitation and Temperature Data for Vancouver Harbor (Environment Canada, 2016)

| Month | Day Temperature | Night Temperature | Rain | Average Monthly Rain | Average Rain |
|-----------|-----------------|-------------------|------------|----------------------|--------------|
| | °C | °C | Days/month | mm | mm |
| August | 23 | 14 | 10 | 39.5 | 4.0 |
| September | 20 | 11 | 11 | 48.2 | 4.4 |
| October | 14 | 7 | 20 | 126.8 | 6.3 |
| November | 10 | 3 | 23 | 183.4 | 8.0 |

Using the data from the Environment Canada Station and assuming that the entire catchment area drains to the Lost Lagoon wetland, the average drainage volume per storm was calculated as:

$$\text{Drainage Volume (m}^3\text{)} = \frac{\text{Average Rain (mm)} \times \text{Catchment Area (m}^2\text{)}}{1000 \frac{\text{mm}}{\text{m}}}$$

The ratio of the catchment area to the column area was used to scale the water volume to be added to each laboratory column during each ‘precipitation’ event:

$$\text{Column Volume (mL)} = \text{Drainage Volume (m}^3\text{)} \times \text{Ratio} \left(\frac{\text{m}^2}{\text{m}^2} \right) \times 1000 \frac{\text{L}}{\text{m}^3} \times 1000 \frac{\text{mL}}{\text{L}}$$

The frequency of precipitation events, or ‘additions per week’, was calculated using the average number of rain days and the days in each month:

$$\text{Additions per week (n days)} = \text{Rain} \left(\frac{\text{days}}{\text{month}} \right) \times \frac{7 \frac{\text{days}}{\text{week}}}{30 \frac{\text{days}}{\text{month}}}$$

Table 28. Calculated Water Addition Volumes and Frequencies for Column Study

| Month | Drainage Volume | Column Volume | Additions per Week |
|-----------|-----------------|---------------|--------------------|
| | m ³ | mL | n days |
| August | 127.0 | 243 | 2 |
| September | 140.8 | 270 | 3 |
| October | 203.8 | 390 | 5 |
| November | 256.3 | 491 | 5 |

3 L of stormwater were initially added to each exposed column. After the initial loading of stormwater, the lids were sealed to each column and the columns were made watertight using Parafilm. Column watering was achieved using a sterilized 500 mL glass flask and a peristaltic pump. A piece of sterile tubing was connected to each side of the pump. One piece of tubing was inserted into the 500 mL glass flask and one side of the tubing was inserted through the small hole in the lid of the sample column. The glass flask was filled with the appropriate quantity of stormwater, or distilled water for the controls, and the water was fed into the column using the pump. Prior to adding volumes of water to each column, an equal volume of water in the column was removed using the pump. To avoid contamination, plastic tubing was traded out between every column watering episode. All mobile equipment was soaked overnight in a 10% bleach solution prior to use. All stationary equipment was wiped clean with 95% disinfectant grade ethanol after every watering episode.

3.5.3 Column Study Sampling Regime

As previously stated, the column study began with 17 sediment columns, six of which were fed with distilled water and eleven of which were fed with semi-synthetic stormwater. The nature of sample collection required that columns be sacrificed. On day zero, two columns that were fed with stormwater and one column that was fed with distilled water were sacrificed and analyzed. Sampling of sediment columns then occurred at four week intervals following the same procedure. Thus, ten stormwater columns and five distilled water columns were sacrificed and analyzed for the study. The remaining two columns were used

to collect daily measurements for dissolved oxygen, conductivity, pH, temperature, and redox potential using the handheld device that was described in Chapter 1.

Sample collection for the column study was generally performed in the same manner as was performed in the Lost Lagoon wetland. 1 L plastic bottles were used to collect water samples near the soil-water interface. After collection of water, a peristaltic pump was used to lower the water level in the column under investigation. For soil sampling, 5 disinfected 60 mL syringes, with sanded off ends, were carefully pressed into the soil layer at the centre and at four evenly spaced points around the column's perimeter. The syringes were carefully pulled from the column, capped on both ends with aluminum foil and frozen at $<-20^{\circ}\text{C}$ until further processing.

3.5.4 Sample Preservation, Transport, Pre-Processing, Storage and Quality Control

Water samples collected at the Lost Lagoon wetland were preserved for DNA on site using the following procedure:

- To a 100 mL glass jar, add 20 mL of sample from each of 5 1-L plastic bottles;
- Cap the glass jar and place in a plastic zip-lock bag; and
- Place the bag in a cooler on dry ice.

Water samples collected during the laboratory study were combined and preserved by the same methods that were applied in the field. This includes taking samples for environmental parameters and contaminants.

Both field and laboratory study sediment samples were prepared and preserved for laboratory testing and DNA extraction following the procedures that were applied during the field study at the Lost Lagoon Wetland. These procedures are described in Section 2.5.1.5.

Field samples collected at the Lost Lagoon wetland were transported back to UBC using the methods described in Section 2.5.1.5. Laboratory study samples did not require additional transport.

For both the field and laboratory studies, water samples that were frozen on dry ice during transport were thawed at 4°C . 30 mL of sample water was filtered through a sterile filter paper with pore size of $0.45\ \mu\text{m}$. Prior to filtering the water sample, the filtering apparatus was soaked in a 10% bleach solution overnight. The filtering apparatus was cleaned with 95% disinfectant grade ethanol between samples.

Filter papers were rolled in on themselves, placed in individual sterile petri dishes, wrapped in aluminium foil and frozen at $<-20^{\circ}\text{C}$ until DNA extraction.

Field and laboratory study sediment samples were pre-processed and stored according to the same procedure that is described in Chapter 1.

3.5.5 Laboratory Analysis of Water and Sediment Quality Parameters

Laboratory analysis for water and sediment quality parameters for the column samples followed the same procedures as were applied during the field study at the Lost Lagoon wetland. These procedures are described in Chapter 1.

3.5.6 Laboratory Preparation of Bacterial DNA

3.5.6.1 Sample Handling and Preservation

Prior to extracting DNA, water and soil samples from the field and lab studies were placed in sterile plastic bags, labelled and frozen at $<-20^{\circ}\text{C}$.

3.5.6.2 Extraction of DNA and Quality Control

All equipment used during the DNA extraction process was soaked in bleach overnight and disinfected with 95% ethanol solution prior to and during use. The extraction of DNA was performed using Mobio PowerSoil® DNA Isolation Kits, catalog number 12888-100 (Qiagen, 2016) according to the manufacturer's instructions. Soil samples were extracted without modification to the procedure. Because the contents of the water samples were filtered onto sterile $0.45\mu\text{m}$ filters, prior to extraction, the filters were cut into 2mm by 2mm squares and the squares were inserted into the bead tubes using sterile forceps. The manufacturer's DNA extraction protocol was then followed without modification.

After extraction, DNA aliquots were frozen at $<-20^{\circ}\text{C}$ until further processing.

3.5.6.3 Quantification of DNA

DNA samples were thawed and quantified for DNA concentration using fluorimetric analysis on the Qubit® 3.0 Fluorimeter (Thermo Scientific, catalogue #Q33216)

3.5.7 Sequencing for Comparison of Microbial Community Compositions

Comparison of microbial community composition was achieved through sequencing and analysis of the 16s rRNA gene. Sequencing of the 16s rRNA gene was outsourced to Microbiome Insights, a Vancouver-based service company that has delivered microbial analyses to hundreds of both academic and industrial researchers. Prior to delivering DNA samples to Microbiome Insights, the researchers discussed with

Microbiome Insights staff to prepare a sequencing protocol that included the appropriate standards for quality control. After a satisfactory plan was established, samples were transported on dry ice to the Microbiome Insights facility, which is located approximately 300 m from the UBC chemical engineering building. Samples were frozen at $<-80^{\circ}\text{C}$ until further processing. An electronic sample list with DNA concentrations and appropriate meta-data was also provided to Microbiome Insights. Samples were delivered in two batches. The first batch included the DNA extracts from all 185 field study samples. The second batch included DNA extracts from all 112 column study samples.

3.5.7.1 Library Preparation and Quality Control

In preparation for sequencing of the 16s rRNA gene, the following procedures were performed.

10 μM index primer aliquots were arrayed into 96-well plates as recommended by Kozich et al., (2013) as follows:

- A701 – A712 with A501 – A508
- A701 – A712 with B501 – B508
- B701 – B712 with B501 – B508
- B701 – B712 with A501 – A508

Template DNA was aliquoted into a 96-well format with blank wells included for negative control. PCR reactions were performed using ThermoFisher Phusion Hot Start II DNA Polymerase (2 U/ μL). Each sample constituted a single PCR reaction. The PCR recipe and cycling conditions are indicated in *Table 29* and Table 30.

Table 29. Recipe for PCR Used During Library Preparation Prior to 16s rRNA Gene Sequencing

| PCR Mix | Volume | |
|-------------------|-------------------------------|------|
| | $\mu\text{L}/\text{reaction}$ | 100 |
| 5x Buffer | 10 | 1000 |
| MgCl | 1 | 100 |
| Forward Primer | 1 | |
| Reverse Primer | 1 | |
| dNTP | 1 | 100 |
| dH ₂ O | 33.5 | 3350 |
| taq | 0.5 | 50 |
| template | 2 | |
| total | 50 | 5000 |

Table 30. Conditions for PCR Used During Library Preparation Prior to 16s rRNA Gene Sequencing

| Temperature °C | Time |
|----------------|-------|
| 98 | 2:00 |
| 98 | 0:20 |
| 55 | 0:15 |
| 72 | 0:30 |
| 72 | 10:00 |
| 4 | hold |

30 cycles

In order to validate PCR success, eleven random samples and the negative control were analyzed and validated using gel electrophoresis. PCR products were then cleaned using Agencourt Ampure XP beads with a 0.8:1 bead to sample ratio. Following cleaning, PCR products were eluted to a final volume of 20 μ L. 10 μ L of the clean PCR product were used for normalization using the Invitrogen SequalPrep kit, and the remaining 10 μ L were stored for backup. The amplicon library was normalized as recommended by Invitrogen (1-2 ng/ μ L), and 5 μ L of each normalized sample was pooled into a single library per plate (ie. 4 pooled plates in a 384-sample sequencing run). Library pools were further concentrated using the DNA Clean & Concentrator kit, following the manufacturer’s instructions (Zymo Research). A dilution series was performed for each of the four pooled libraries for subsequent quality control steps.

Each pool was analyzed on the Agilent Bioanalyzer using the High Sensitivity DS DNA assay in order to determine the approximate library fragment size, and to verify library integrity.

Library pools containing unintended amplicons were purified using the Qiagen QIAquick Gel Extraction kit, following the manufacturer’s instructions (Qiagen).

Pooled library concentrations were then determined using the KAPA Library Quantification Kit for Illumina and following the manufacturer’s instructions (Kapa Biosystems).

Library pools were diluted to 4 nM and denatured into single strands using fresh 0.2 N NaOH as recommended by Illumina. The final library loading concentration was 8 pM, with an additional PhiX spike-in of 20%.

3.5.7.2 Sequencing of the 16s rRNA Gene

The amplicon library was sequenced on the Illumina MiSeq using the MiSeq 500 Cycle V2 Reagent Kit (250 x 2).

3.5.8 Sequencing for Comparison of Microbial Functional Gene Compositions

Sequencing for comparison of microbial functional genes was achieved through metagenome sequencing. Metagenome sequencing was outsourced to the UBC Beatty NextGen Sequencing Centre. The steps towards sequencing of metagenomes are described here.

3.5.8.1 Sample Selection and Quality Control

Because meaningful results are dependent on sequence depth and quality, these parameters were of primary importance for the analysis of metagenomes. However, this also had to be balanced with the desire to maximize cost effectiveness. It was determined that a balance of sequence depth/quality and cost effectiveness could be reached when sequencing metagenomes, if six samples were sequenced per lane, using the Illumina HiSeq 2000.

To maximize the diversity of samples and to ensure redundancy was achieved, DNA extracts were pooled to form each sample. Only DNA extracts that had a concentration between 5 ng/ μ L and 20 ng/ μ L were considered for possible pooling. Prior to pooling samples, to ensure the DNA was not degraded, DNA extracts were visualized using gel electrophoresis. 12.5 μ L of each of four DNA extracts were pooled to form a sample with a volume of 50 μ L. Pooled samples were treated for RNA – 1 μ L of RNASE A (Purelink-Introgen) was added to each pooled sample and the pooled samples were incubated at 37 °C for twenty-five minutes.

To re-purify samples, 2 μ L of 5 M NaCl was added to each 50 μ L pooled sample. Samples were inverted three to five times to mix. 90 μ L of cold ethanol (100%) was added to each sample and the samples were inverted three to five times to mix. Samples were centrifuged at 10,000xg for 5 minutes. The liquid was decanted and the precipitate was allowed to air dry at room temperature. The DNA was then re-suspended in 45 μ L of sterile Tris, containing no EDTA (Solution 6 from the Mobio Powersoil Reagent Kit). The DNA concentration in each pooled sample was quantified a second time using the Qubit Fluorimeter 2.0.

Samples were selected based on the objectives of both field and lab studies and for the case of the field study, based on the known quality of environmental data.

A breakdown of the pooled samples is as follows:

- Lane 1
 1. Four sediment samples (2 depth, 2 surface) pooled, site 2.1 September 9, 2015
 2. Four sediment samples (2 depth, 2 surface) pooled, site 5.2, September 22, 2015
 3. Four sediment samples (2 depth, 2 surface) pooled, site 2.1, October 20 2015

4. Four sediment samples (2 depth, 2 surface) pooled, site 3.1, October 20, 2015
 5. Four sediment samples (2 depth, 2 surface) pooled, site 4.1, October 20, 2015
 6. Four sediment samples (2 depth, 2 surface) pooled, site 6.2, October 20, 2015
- Lane 2
 1. Four sediment samples (2 depth, 2 surface) pooled, Column 1, December 4, 2015
 2. Four sediment samples (2 depth, 2 surface) pooled, Column 7, December 4, 2015
 3. Four sediment samples (2 depth, 2 surface) pooled, Column 8, December 4, 2015
 4. Four sediment samples (2 depth, 2 surface) pooled, Column 5, March 29, 2016
 5. Four sediment samples (2 depth, 2 surface) pooled, Column 15, March 29, 2016
 6. Four sediment samples (2 depth, 2 surface) pooled, Column 16, March 29, 2016

Pooled samples were stored at $<-20^{\circ}\text{C}$ until they were delivered to the Beatty NextGen Sequencing Centre. Samples were placed on dry ice during transportation to the Beatty NextGen Sequencing Centre, which is located approximately 400 m from the UBC chemical engineering laboratory, where the samples were originally stored. Upon delivery, samples were stored at $<-20^{\circ}\text{C}$ until further processing.

3.5.8.2 Library Preparation and Quality Control

Library preparation was performed following a standard Illumina protocol for the HiSeq 2000 analyzer. The TruSeq Nano DNA LT Library Prep kit was used following manufacturer's instructions with settings for the Covaris M220 sonicator and 550bp insert size. Libraries were then validated using a Qubit Fluorimeter 2.0. Libraries were then sealed and stored at -20°C for less than seven days. Libraries and the PhIX control were denatured and diluted according to manufacturer's instructions. The prepared libraries and PhIX control were then combined at a ratio of 99:1.

3.5.8.3 Cluster Generation

Cluster generation was performed using the cBot 2 system (SY-312-2001) following manufacturer's instructions for preparation of reagents and consumables and for quality control.

3.5.8.4 Sequencing of Whole Bacterial Genomes

Sequencing reagents were prepared following manufacturer's instructions and the following chemistry settings:

- SBS: HiSeq SBS Kit v4;
- Index: HiSeq v4 Index; and

- PE turnaround: HiSeq PE Cluster Kit v4.

When programming the sequencing run, the SBS reagent kit was set to 250 cycles on the reagent screen. The sequencing flow cell was loaded following the manufacturer's instructions for 100 base pair, paired-end sequencing and the sequencing run was executed.

3.5.9 Analysis of Bacterial Taxa Using the 16s rRNA Gene

Analysis of bacterial taxa using the 16s rRNA gene was performed through combination of three common microbial software programs, namely USearch, Mothur, and the R package, Vegan. Initial quality filtering, bioinformatics treatment and preparation of OTU tables was performed in USearch. Taxonomic assignments and calculation of alpha diversity and community composition parameters were performed in Mothur. Statistical analyses were performed in R. Further details and justification of input parameters are described below.

3.5.9.1 Quality Filtering and Determination of Unique Sequences and Abundances

Fastq file names were returned in the formatted output from MiSeq (i.e. s1_R1_001 etc). All Fastq files were transformed to fasta files. Using USearch, sequences were truncated to 200 bp and shorter sequences were dropped so that only high quality sequences remained. An example of the code is as follows:

- `USearch -fastq_filter s1_R1_001.fastq -sample s1 -relabel @ -fastq_trunclen 200 -fastaout reads1.fa`

Next, all files were concatenated to a single file to be used to determine the abundance of each operational taxonomic unit (OTU):

- `copy/b read*.fa reads.fa`

Following this, all sequences were transformed and truncated again and base quality was accounted for by setting the `fastq_maxee` parameter to 1.0:

- `USearch -fastq_filter s1_R1_001.fastq -sample s1 -relabel @ -fastq_trunclen 250 -fastaout filtered1.fa -fastq_maxee 1.0`

Again, all files were merged to a single file to be used for OTU calling:

- `copy/b filt*.fa filtered.fa`

A file was prepared with only unique sequences:

- USearch -derep_fulllength filtered.fa -relabel Uniq -sizeout -fastaout uniques.fa

Unique sequences were then sorted by abundance:

- USearch -sortbysize uniques.fa -fastaout suniques.fa -minsize 1

3.5.9.2 Preparation of OTU Tables

Unique sequences were pre-clustered with a threshold of 98% similarity:

- USearch -cluster_smallmem suniques.fa -id 0.98 -maxdiffs 4 -centroids preclustered.fa

The unique pre-clustered sequences were then sorted by size:

- USearch -sortbysize preclustered.fa -fastaout preclustered.fa -minsize 1

OTUs were clustered with “-minsize 2” in order to remove singletons:

- USearch -cluster_otus preclustered.fa -minsize 2 -otus otus_preuchime.fa -relabel Otu0

Chimera removal was performed using the rdp_gold.fa database:

- USearch -uchime_ref otus_preuchime.fa -db rdp_gold.fa -strand plus -nonchimeras otus.fa

An OTU table was prepared for the samples at 97% similarity with exported formats for both Mothur and Qiime applications:

- USearch -USearch_global reads.fa -db otus.fa -strand plus -id 0.97 -otutabout willotutab1.txt -biomout willotutab.json -mothur_shared_out wsh1.shared

3.5.9.3 Taxonomic Assignments

In Mothur, OTUs were classified and taxonomy was assigned using the Silva reference database for bacteria:

- Mothur -classify.seqs (fasta=otus.fa, template=silva.bacteria.fasta, taxonomy=silva.bacteria.silva.tax)

3.5.9.4 Bioinformatics

Alpha diversity and community composition parameters and indicator species analyses were calculated using Mothur. Sequences were subsampled to 9000 sequences for the field study and 5000 sequences for the lab study. Samples that had fewer than these numbers of sequences were dropped from the dataset.

The sample code is as follows:

- Mothur -count.groups(shared=current)
- Mothur -summary.single(calc=coverage-sobs-chao-invsimpson, subsample=9000)
- Mothur -rarefaction.single(shared=current, calc=sobs, freq=100)
- Mothur -indicator(shared=current, design= current, processors=4)

3.5.9.5 Statistical Analyses on Data

3.5.9.5.1 *Data Screening*

Before analyses, a number of data screening techniques were applied, using GUiDe to Statistical Analysis in Microbial Ecology (GUSTA ME) (Buttigieg & Ramette, 2014).

These include:

- Avoiding data dredging;

Data dredging can occur when subsets of data are used to confirm hypotheses or when hypotheses are generated after the data is observed. Data dredging was avoided by not discarding data when it did not fit the hypotheses and by testing the hypotheses on more than one dataset.

- Ensuring awareness and consideration of pseudoreplication in the study;

Pseudoreplication occurs when dependent data is assumed to be independent. For example, if three measurements of the same sample are taken, then this data is dependent. In this study, pseudo-replicates were averaged prior to hypotheses testing and prior to visualization of the data.

- Checking and correcting for missing values;

Due to the nature of analysis using both ICP for metals and DNA sequencing for bacteria, some missing values occurred in the dataset. Samples with missing values were removed from the dataset prior to hypotheses testing. This generally was performed using is.na() parameter in R.

- Screening for outliers;

Microbial outliers were screened from the dataset using the Analysis of Similarity (ANOSIM) test in R. Outlier samples were removed from the dataset prior to analyses. This is further discussed in the results section.

3.5.9.5.2 *Alpha Diversity*

In order to compare alpha diversity among the samples, four indicators were calculated using the Mothur summary.single command. These include:

- Richness, or the number of different species present in a sample, based on the Chao1 estimator;

- Coverage, or the percent of the total species present in a sample, based on the Good's coverage calculation;
- Diversity, (richness and evenness, or the relative abundances of species) based on the inverse Simpson estimator; and
- Observed OTUs based on the SOBS calculation.

To compare alpha diversity, samples were split into separate datasets for the three materials (water, surface sediment, and 10-cm depth sediment) and split into separate datasets for the field and laboratory studies. Calculations were performed based on the different sites within the wetland and based on the columns analyzed in the laboratory study. In order to illustrate the variation among the data, barplots and boxplots were prepared for the various indices. To identify if there were significant differences among the data, one-way ANOVA tests were calculated using the standard R package (R Core Team, 2016) and interpreted using a confidence of 95%. Confirmation of both positive and negative statistical results was performed using the Tukey HSD test in R.

3.5.9.5.3 *Community Composition*

To compare community composition, samples were split into separate datasets for the three materials (water, surface sediment, and 10-cm depth sediment) and split into separate datasets for the field and laboratory studies. Statistical calculations were performed based on the different locations within the wetland (stormceptor, entry, exit and Lost Lagoon) for the field study and based on the dosing of columns and the date of sample extraction for the laboratory study. Plots and statistical calculations were completed in R using the R standard package and using the vegan package. OTU tables for the various datasets were imported from Mothur into RStudio. OTU data were log transformed and dissimilarity matrices were calculated using the vegdist function in vegan with standard inputs. Two-dimensional NMDS were prepared using the metaNMDS function in vegan while setting the dissimilarity index to Bray Curtis and the maximum number of tries equal to 100. Stressplots were prepared and NMDS were only accepted if the R^2 in the stressplot was greater than 0.90 and the stress calculation was less than 0.20. Comparison between field study sites and laboratory study dosing was performed using the Adonis function in vegan with 999 permutations, the Bray Curtis dissimilarity index and the Bonferroni p-value adjustment. Fitting of environmental data was performed using the envfit statistic in vegan and 999 permutations. Statistical calculations for hypotheses tests were considered significant if the p-value was less than 0.05.

3.5.9.5.4 *Indicator Species*

The same approach for splitting the dataset was applied for the indicator species comparisons as was applied for the alpha diversity comparisons and community composition comparisons. Indicator species were calculated using the `indicator()` function in Mothur. Indicator species were considered statistically significant if the R statistics was greater than 80 and the p-value was less than 0.05.

3.5.10 Analysis of Bacterial Functions Using Metagenomics

Analysis of functional genes was performed using standard computational techniques. Initially, file conversion and de-multiplexing was performed using Illumina CASAVA software. Merging, assembly and quality filtering was performed using MetaVelvet. Bioinformatics treatments and preparation of functional lists were performed using MetaPathways. Additional analyses were performed using RStudio and Microsoft Excel.

3.5.10.1 File Conversion and Sequence De-Multiplexing

All sequences passing the HiSeq Q30 filter were converted by the Beatty Biodiversity centre from bcl to FastQ format with barcodes extracted using standard input to the Illumina supported software, CASAVA 1.8.2.

3.5.10.2 Read Merging, Quality Filtering, and Contig Assembly

Read merging, quality filtering and assembly of reads into contigs was performed using MetaVelvet (Namiki et al., 2011). The Kmer length was set to 31 and the minimum contig length was set to 100 bp.

3.5.10.3 Preparation of Function Lists

The MetaPathways v2.5.3 pipeline was used to perform quality control, protein prediction, clustering and similarity based annotation on sequence datasets using several bioinformatics tools as described by the authors (Konwar et al., 2014). The MetaPathways pipeline features:

1. "Open reading frame (ORF) prediction using Prodigal with BLAST or LAST annotation against the MetaCyc, RefSeq, KEGG, and COG protein databases;
2. Taxonomic analysis using MEGAN, ML-TreeMap, 16S SSU and 23S LSU rRNA homology using the Silva and GreenGenes databases; and
3. Systematic creation of Environmental Pathway/Genome Databases (ePGDBs) mapping functional information onto the MetaCyc database of metabolic Pathways." (Konwar et al., 2014).

Minimum sequence length was set to 70 bp and minimum ORF length was set to 20 bp. All other quality control indices were left as standard parameter inputs.

3.5.10.4 Analyses on Data

Analysis were performed using the Vegan package in R and using basic graphing options in Microsoft Excel. Statistical analyses were not performed on this dataset because of the small sample size and because, at the time of publication, this is an area for future work.

3.5.10.5 Review of Results

Upon completion of this project, statistical results were independently reviewed by a consultant at the UBC Applied Statistics and Data Group (ASDA). As a reference, results of this review are included in Appendix K. Some minor modifications to the description of the methodology were made to clarify outcomes of this review; however, the majority of recommendations were outside of the scope of this study and left for future follow on research.

3.6 Results and Interpretation

3.6.1 Environmental Analysis

3.6.1.1 Confirmation of Beaver Lake Bog Soil Quality

In *Table 31*, a list is provided of the averages and standard deviations for the concentrations of all metals that were measured in order to confirm the quality of the soil at the Beaver Lake Bog. This was an essential first step because this soil was to be collected and packed into the sediment columns for the future study. The metals associated with stormwater runoff were of greatest interest. Barium, cadmium, cobalt, copper, manganese, molybdenum nickel, lead, and zinc were below detection limits or near/below the concentrations of metals measured at the exit to the Lost Lagoon wetland. The only stormwater metal of concern that measured above the levels in wetland exit was antimony. The reasons for this are unclear because other metals did not observe the same trend. The observation could be due to naturally occurring higher antimony levels in the bog soil or possibly some interference on the analytical instrument, where the antimony levels are quite close to the detection limit of 10 mg/kg dry weight.

Table 31. Confirmation of Beaver Lake Bog Soil Quality

| | | As | Ag | Al | B | Ba | Be | Cd | Co | Cr | Cu | Fe | K | Li |
|--------|---------|--------------------|----|--------|------|------|----|----|------|------|--------|--------|------|------|
| | | mg/kg dry weight | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | | Average | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Bog 1 | Surface | | | 1051.5 | | 23.2 | | | | 20.5 | 31.2 | 1388.6 | 39.5 | 27.0 |
| Bog 2 | Surface | | | 1821.8 | 49.5 | | | | 43.3 | 35.2 | 3345.9 | 48.2 | 25.6 | |
| Bog 3 | Surface | | | 706.5 | 38.0 | 23.2 | | | 4.5 | 24.1 | 1028.4 | 52.3 | 25.1 | |
| Bog 4 | Surface | | | 921.0 | 44.7 | 28.5 | | | 46.7 | 20.5 | 1740.0 | 30.5 | 25.0 | |
| Bog 5 | Surface | | | 1284.3 | | 57.0 | | | 15.4 | 32.4 | 2166.8 | 40.0 | 25.1 | |
| Bog 6 | Surface | | | 1360.3 | 44.3 | | | | 69.5 | 17.7 | 2511.2 | 40.2 | 25.0 | |
| Site 5 | Surface | | | 9342.3 | 29.3 | 14.5 | | | 16.1 | 61.3 | 3144.4 | 101.5 | 36.3 | |
| | | Standard Deviation | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Bog 1 | Surface | | | 173.3 | | 4.5 | | | 14.3 | 0.6 | 57.6 | 2.5 | 2.4 | |
| Bog 2 | Surface | | | 217.6 | | | | | 19.1 | 3.3 | 585.0 | 5.6 | 0.4 | |
| Bog 3 | Surface | | | 17.3 | 10.1 | 0.8 | | | | 1.5 | 117.3 | 4.5 | 0.1 | |
| Bog 4 | Surface | | | 159.6 | 2.0 | 6.2 | | | | 3.1 | 66.8 | 5.2 | 0.1 | |
| Bog 5 | Surface | | | 113.5 | | 3.5 | | | 12.8 | 0.6 | 201.4 | 0.0 | 0.2 | |
| Bog 6 | Surface | | | 249.8 | 4.6 | | | | | 0.9 | 522.6 | 4.2 | 0.2 | |
| Site 5 | Surface | | | 3961.9 | 7.5 | 13.4 | | | 8.8 | 19.4 | 3338.8 | 71.2 | 4.7 | |

| | | Mg | Mn | Mo | Na | Ni | Pb | Sb | Se | Si | Sr | Ti | V | Zn |
|--------|---------|--------------------|-------|-----|--------|------|-----|------|------|--------|----|-------|---|-------|
| | | mg/kg dry weight | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | | Average | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Bog 1 | Surface | 726.9 | 24.4 | | 626.5 | 5.8 | | 12.9 | 81.4 | 1497.5 | | 31.0 | | 127.2 |
| Bog 2 | Surface | 780.2 | | | 665.8 | 6.6 | | 13.3 | 62.0 | 1379.7 | | 67.3 | | 122.6 |
| Bog 3 | Surface | 302.1 | 20.6 | | 528.3 | 4.1 | | 14.2 | 78.4 | 1446.2 | | 27.8 | | 88.8 |
| Bog 4 | Surface | 495.6 | 79.6 | | 426.3 | 6.0 | | 13.0 | 64.9 | 1601.5 | | 33.4 | | 94.9 |
| Bog 5 | Surface | 827.8 | | | 761.5 | 4.3 | | 15.3 | 46.5 | 1673.3 | | 51.4 | | 160.3 |
| Bog 6 | Surface | 648.9 | 90.9 | | 518.0 | 5.7 | | 12.7 | 67.9 | 887.2 | | 68.8 | | 98.9 |
| Site 5 | Surface | 858.5 | 103.3 | 7.0 | 1560.2 | 19.3 | 7.1 | 10.0 | | 5286.4 | | 184.6 | | 253.6 |
| | | Standard Deviation | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Bog 1 | Surface | 199.3 | 9.9 | | 222.0 | 2.7 | | 0.5 | 22.6 | 743.9 | | | | 10.7 |
| Bog 2 | Surface | 23.4 | | | 45.0 | 1.3 | | 1.4 | 11.6 | 881.5 | | 1.7 | | 34.3 |
| Bog 3 | Surface | 14.6 | 4.3 | | 70.0 | 2.2 | | 2.0 | 20.5 | 612.9 | | 1.8 | | 16.1 |
| Bog 4 | Surface | 100.9 | | | 26.0 | 2.8 | | 1.5 | 22.4 | 403.0 | | | | 16.1 |
| Bog 5 | Surface | 19.7 | | | 149.9 | 0.3 | | | 12.5 | 800.1 | | | | |
| Bog 6 | Surface | 53.1 | 6.1 | | 12.7 | | | 1.3 | 19.4 | 667.3 | | 17.6 | | 39.4 |
| Site 5 | Surface | 1162.7 | 53.0 | | 904.9 | 5.3 | 3.0 | | | 2980.2 | | 19.2 | | 127.2 |

3.6.1.2 Preliminary Study

Prior to beginning the laboratory column study, a preliminary test was performed over one week. The results are recorded in *Table 32*. Measurements were collected and recorded for DO, pH, temperature, conductivity, and ORP using a YSI probe, as described previously. The measurements were taken at the surface of the column and at the soil-water interface (below a water depth of 30-cm). Measurements were compared to see if the conditions in the column would equilibrate to similar conditions as measured at the soil water interface in the Lost Lagoon wetland forebay. DO and pH generally equilibrated to the same range as measured in the forebay. Temperature measurements were not relevant because the preliminary test was operated at room temperature (approximately 22 °C) and the temperature in the forebay decreased over the autumn season. Conductivity measurements in the column were lower than the average measurement in the forebay; however, the column measurements were trending towards the forebay measurements. ORP measurements in the column also trended towards the levels measured in the forebay.

Overall, the results of the preliminary study were considered adequate enough to continue moving forward with the column study.

Table 32. Measurements Recorded During Preliminary Column Test

| Time | DO, mg/L | pH | Temperature, °C | Conductivity, μS/cm | ORP, mV |
|--------------------------------------|----------|------|-----------------|---------------------|---------|
| Water Surface | | | | | |
| Zero | 8.37 | 6.5 | 16.67 | 53.75 | 322.7 |
| 36 hrs | 4.69 | 5.71 | 19.21 | 54.97 | 390.2 |
| 96 hrs | 5.45 | 5.31 | 20.31 | 57.06 | 378.9 |
| 192 hrs | 5.35 | 5.48 | 20.45 | 49.95 | 372.6 |
| Soil-Water Interface | | | | | |
| Zero | 7.64 | 7.14 | 16.75 | 64.12 | 309.1 |
| 36 hrs | 5.19 | 6.15 | 19.2 | 58.13 | 384.7 |
| 96 hrs | 5.8 | 5.49 | 20.14 | 66.24 | 373.5 |
| 192 hrs | 3.99 | 5.44 | 20.36 | 94.33 | 376.6 |
| Wetland Forebay Soil-Water Interface | | | | | |
| Average | 3.53 | 5.15 | 11.65 | 153.73 | 285.16 |
| St.Dev. | 1.99 | 1.33 | 3.09 | 55.45 | 126.00 |

3.6.1.3 Turbidity, TSS, COD and TOC

3.6.1.3.1 Interpretation

Turbidity, TSS, COD, and TOC were measured in the water samples of each lab study column at the time the columns were sacrificed. In Figure 50 through Figure 53, there was no observable trend in the measurements for any of these parameters with the exception that Column 1, which was sacrificed and analyzed on the first day of the column study, measured higher levels for all parameters. These higher measurements may have occurred because some organic material from the soil layer was stirred into the water layer during the initial addition of 30-L of water to the column. Unfortunately, the dataset was too small to make statistical comparisons between the columns.

In Figure 54, turbidity, TSS, TOC, and COD are visually compared between the first and last week of column samples and between the Lost Lagoon wetland entry and exit. With the exception of Column 1 having higher measurements, the field and lab study measurements for these parameters are generally within the same range. These parameters may have an influence on the microbial populations present in the water samples. Thus, in order to use the laboratory results to verify the field results, it is essential that the same range of measurements exists between the two studies.

3.6.1.3.2 Figures

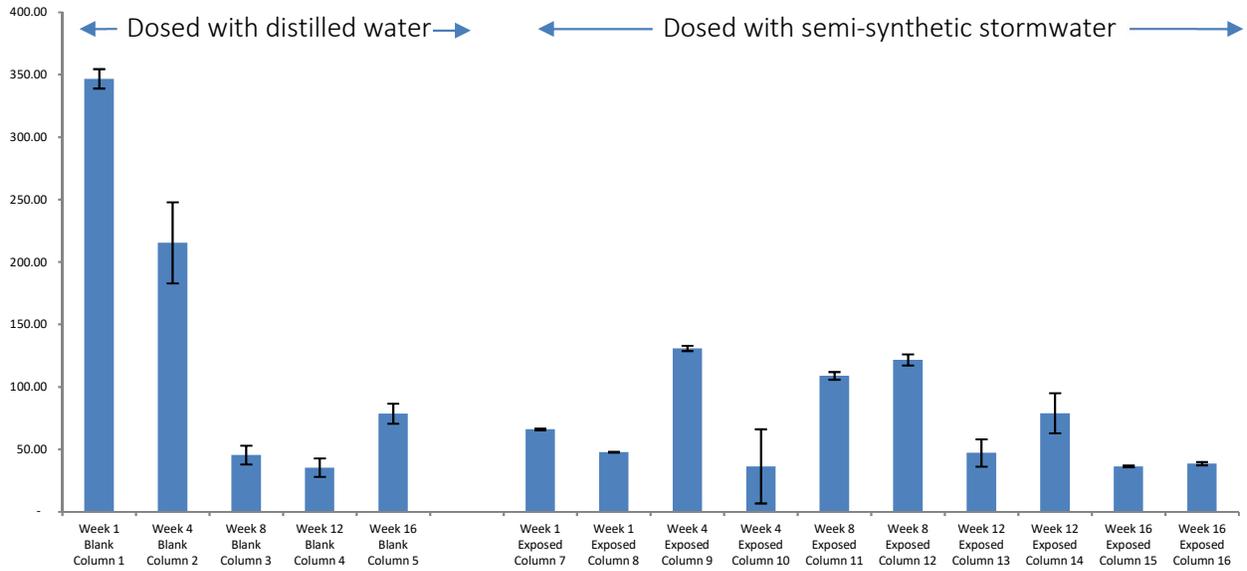


Figure 50. Barplot Comparison by Column of Turbidity in Water Samples

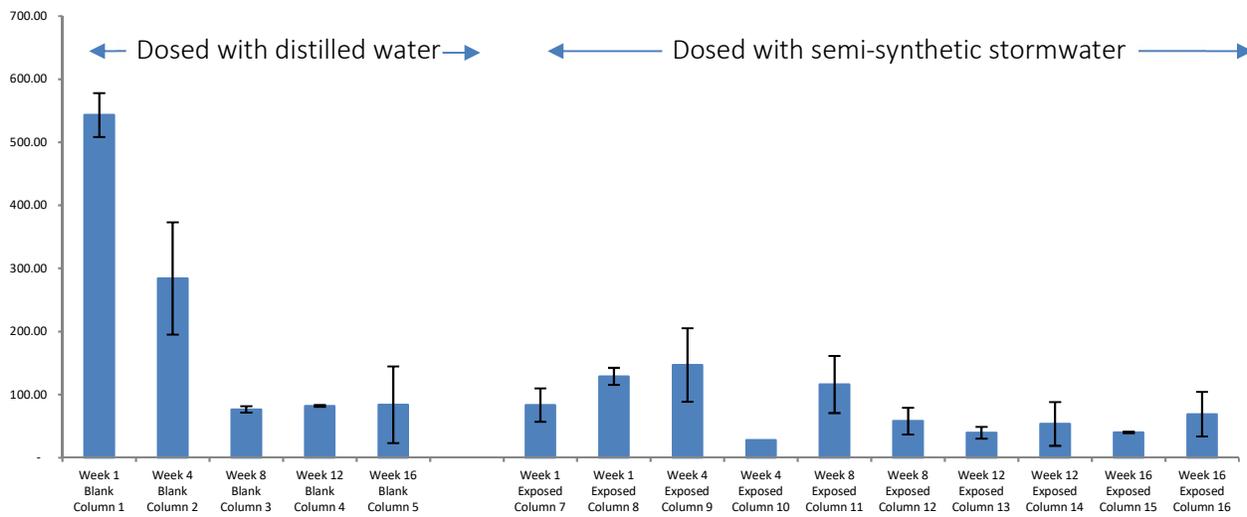


Figure 51. Barplot Comparison by Column of Total Suspended Solids in Water Samples

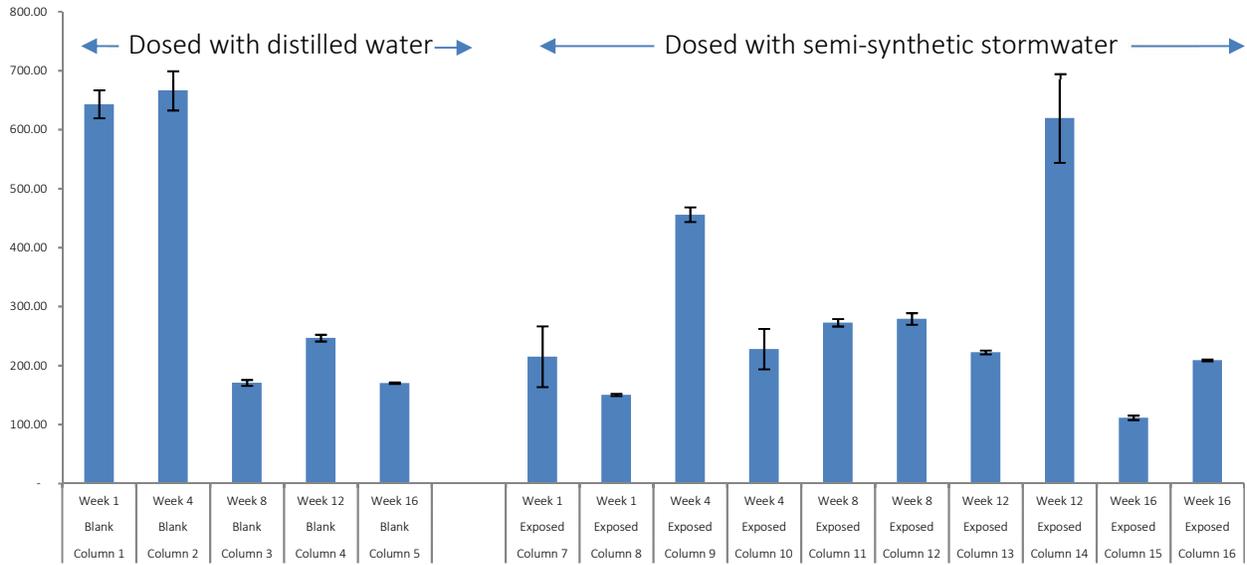


Figure 52. Comparison by Column of Chemical Oxygen Demand in Water Samples

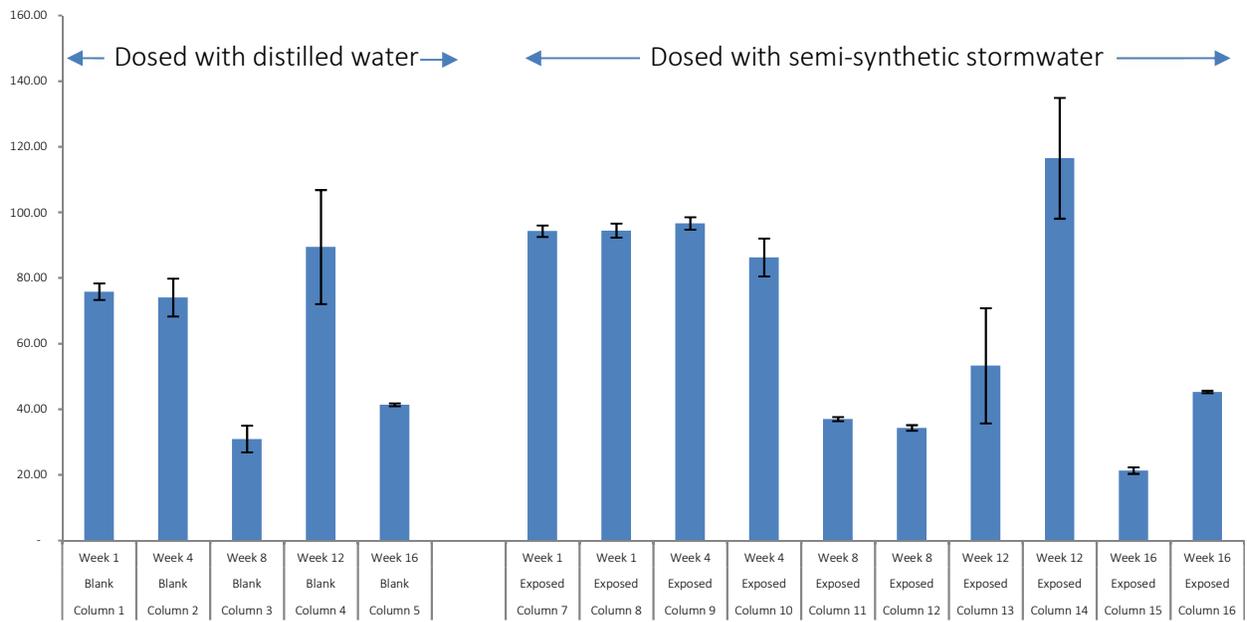


Figure 53. Comparison by Column of Total Organic Carbon in Water Samples

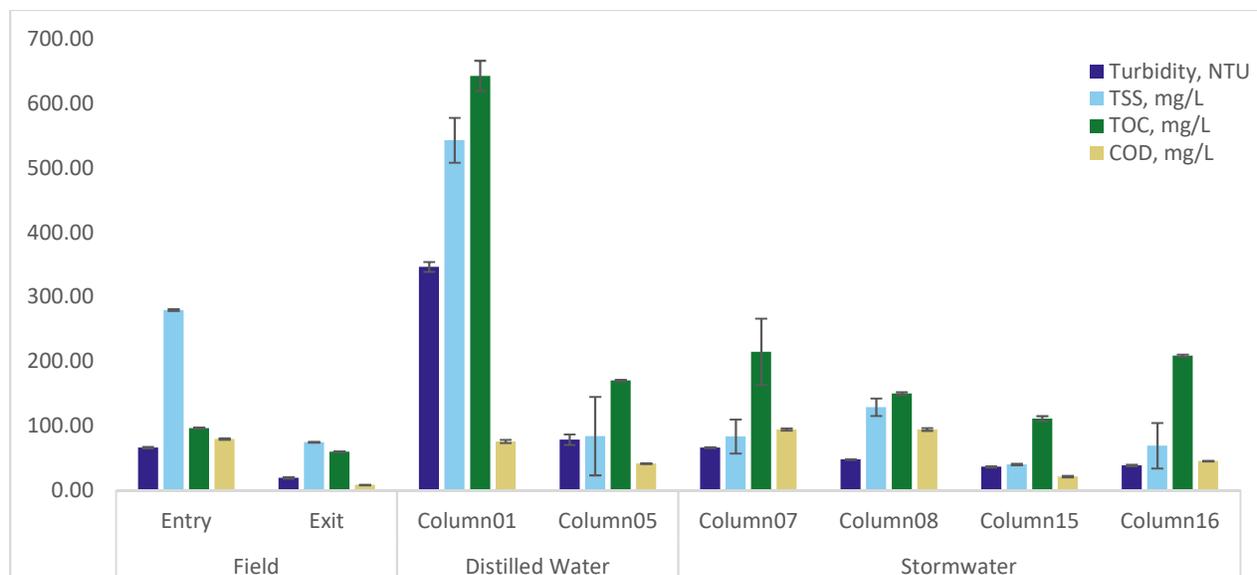


Figure 54. Comparison of Turbidity, TSS, TOC, and COD in Field and Lab Studies

3.6.1.4 Metals

3.6.1.4.1 Interpretation

Together, Figure 55 and Figure 56 illustrate the distribution of metals within the water samples obtained from the columns. From Figure 55 and Figure 56, visually, there is a trend over time of slightly decreasing metal concentrations in the columns that were fed distilled water and of increasing metals concentrations in the columns that were fed stormwater. This trend is most clear for molybdenum, nickel, barium, copper, manganese, and zinc. Cadmium, cobalt, and antimony measurements were near detection limits and this may account for less clarity in the results. The slight decrease in metal concentrations in the columns that were fed distilled water may be due to some partial flushing of the soil as water in the columns was exchanged with distilled water on a regularly occurring basis, following the rain patterns in Vancouver.

In Figure 57 and Figure 58, the metal concentrations, measured during week one and week sixteen of the laboratory study and at the entry and the exit of the Lost Lagoon wetland, are compared. Unfortunately, statistical tests could not be performed between the two studies because the dataset for the column study was too small in comparison to the field study. However, the metal concentrations in the water samples collected from the stormwater columns at week sixteen generally did reach the concentrations measured at the entry of the Lost Lagoon wetland and of the stormwater that was fed into them. Due to the stormwater recipe that was prepared, some metal concentrations differed, including that molybdenum and nickel concentrations were higher in the laboratory stormwater columns than in the wetland forebay

and barium and that antimony concentrations were lower in the laboratory stormwater columns than in the wetland forebay.

In Figure 59 through Figure 62, generally the same trends were observed for the surface sediment samples as were observed for the water samples. Molybdenum and nickel concentrations were also higher in the laboratory stormwater column surface sediment samples than in the wetland forebay and barium and antimony concentrations were lower in the laboratory stormwater column surface sediment samples than in the wetland forebay. Figure 63 through Figure 66 illustrate that the same trend over time was observed for the 10-cm depth samples as was observed for the water and surface sediment samples. However, metal concentrations in the depth samples taken in the column study were higher than were observed in the field study. This was generally true for all metals present in the semi-synthetic stormwater. This may have an influence on the microbial communities present in these samples.

That being said, overall, the column study achieved its goal regarding the metal concentrations, which was to mimic the concentrations in the Lost Lagoon wetland, in order to provide a dataset for microbial comparisons later on.

3.6.1.4.2 Figures

3.6.1.4.2.1. Water Samples

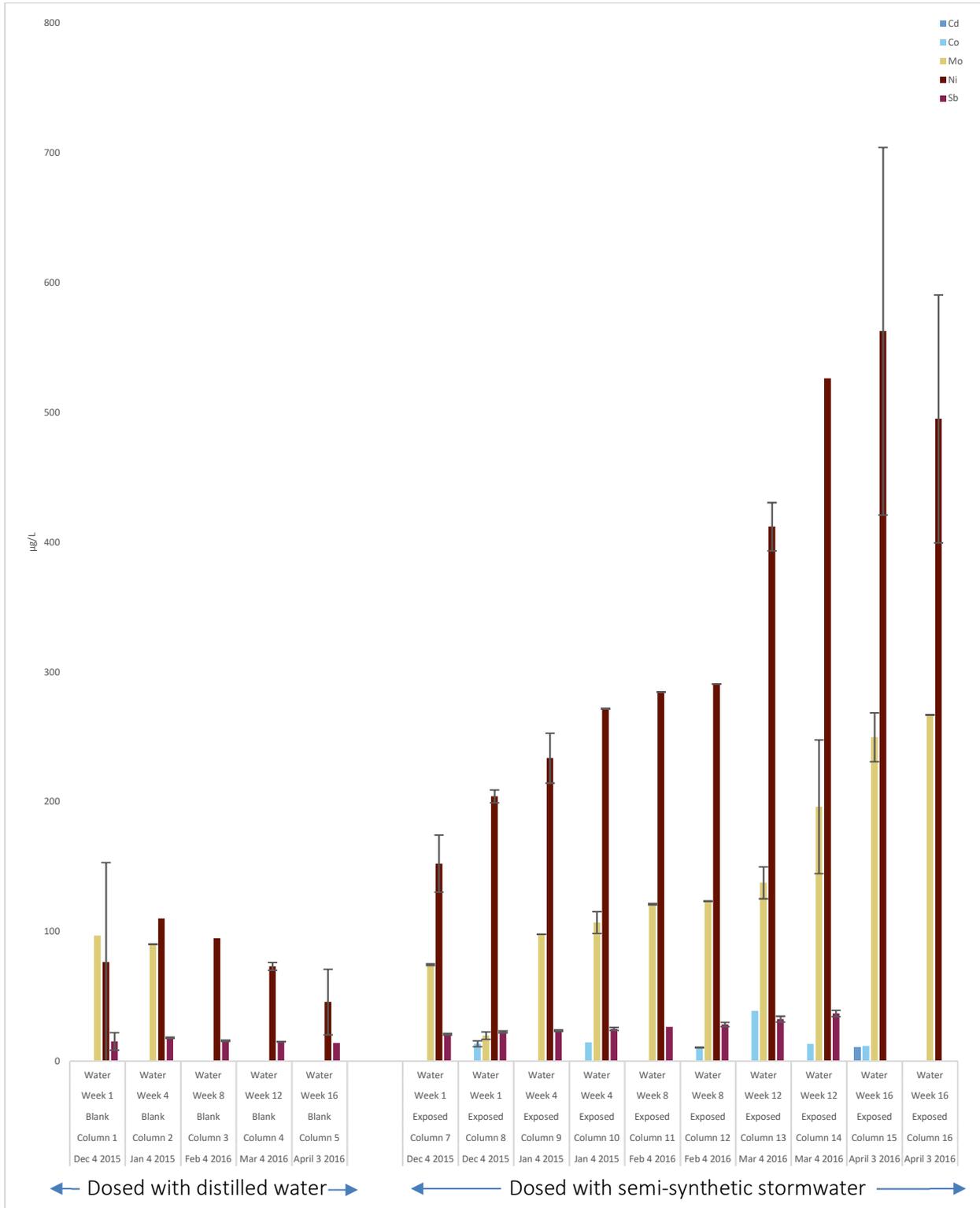


Figure 55. Time Comparison of Metals Associated with Stormwater in Column Water Samples

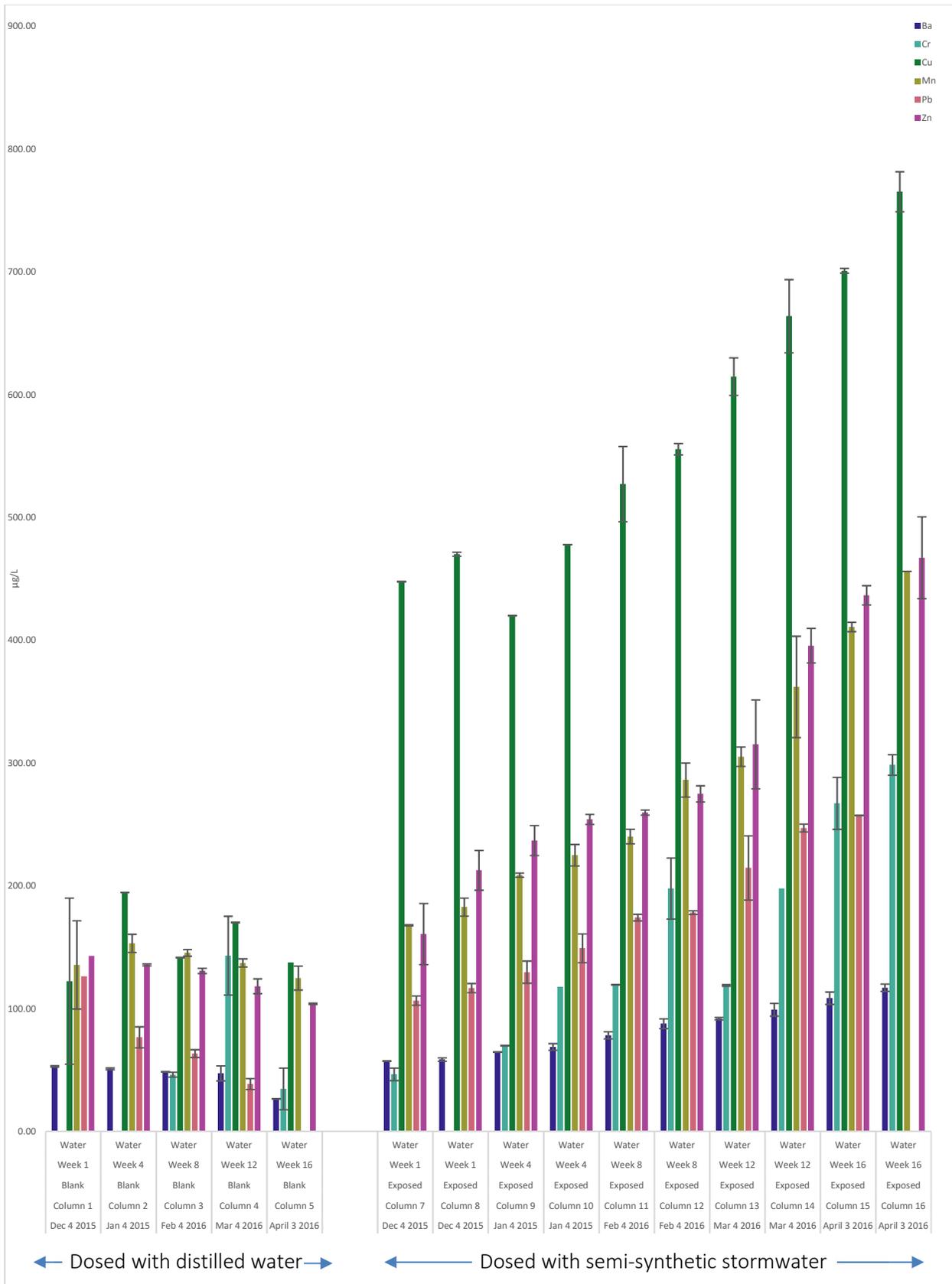


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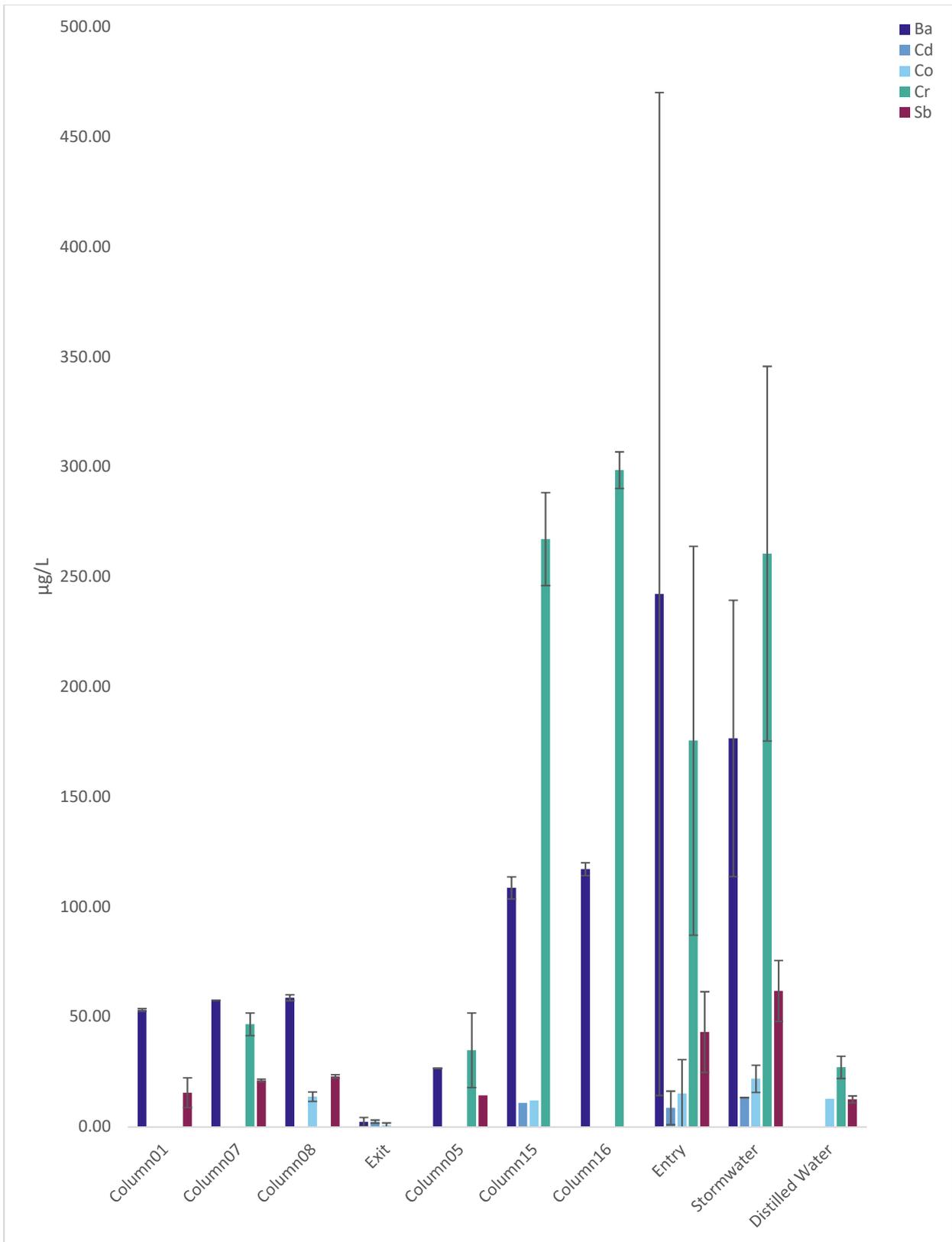


Figure 57. Comparison of Metals Associated with Stormwater in Field Study and Lab Study Water Samples

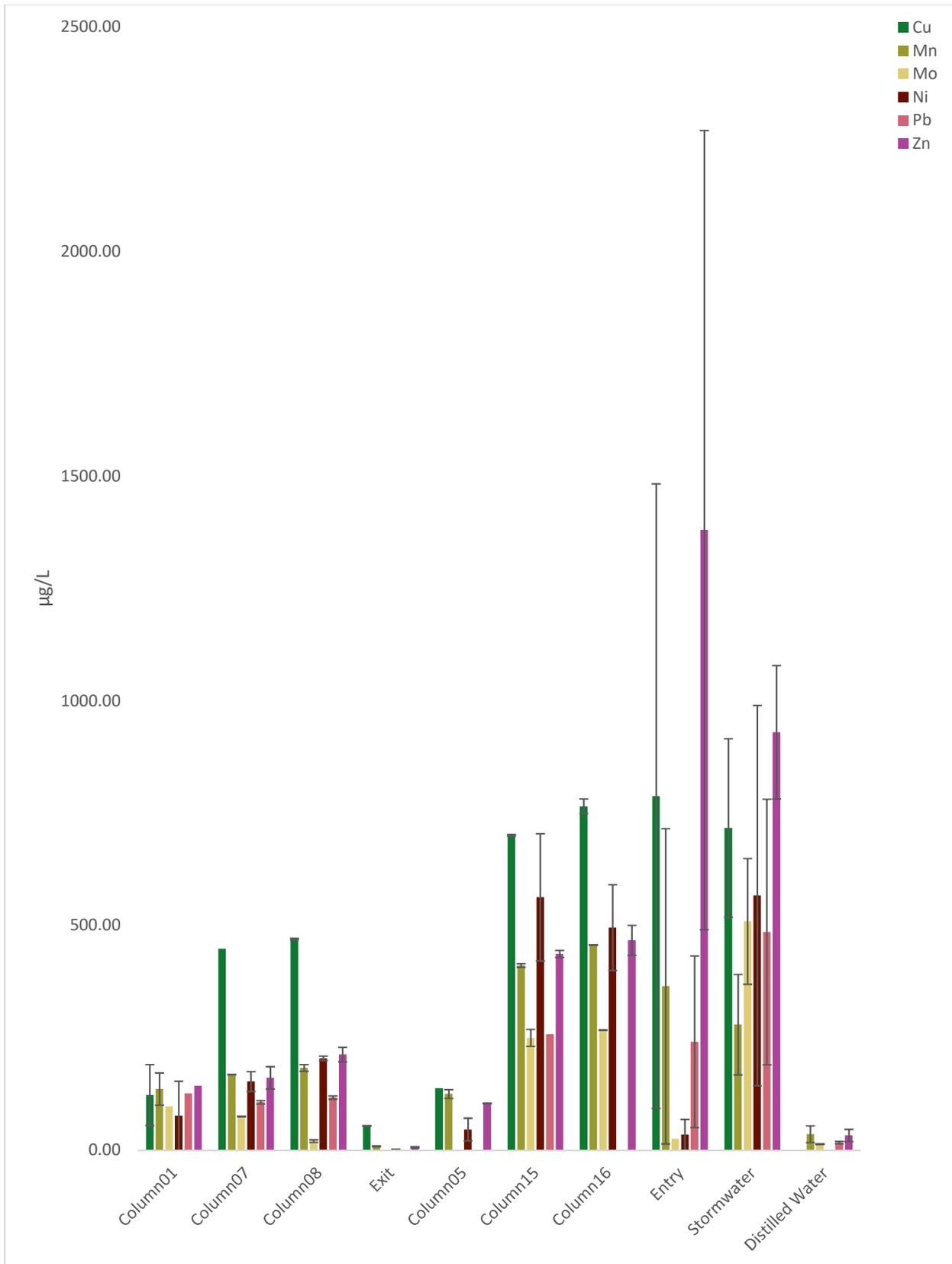


Figure 58. Comparison of Metals Associated with Stormwater in Field Study and Lab Study Water Samples

3.6.1.4.2.2. Surface Sediment Samples

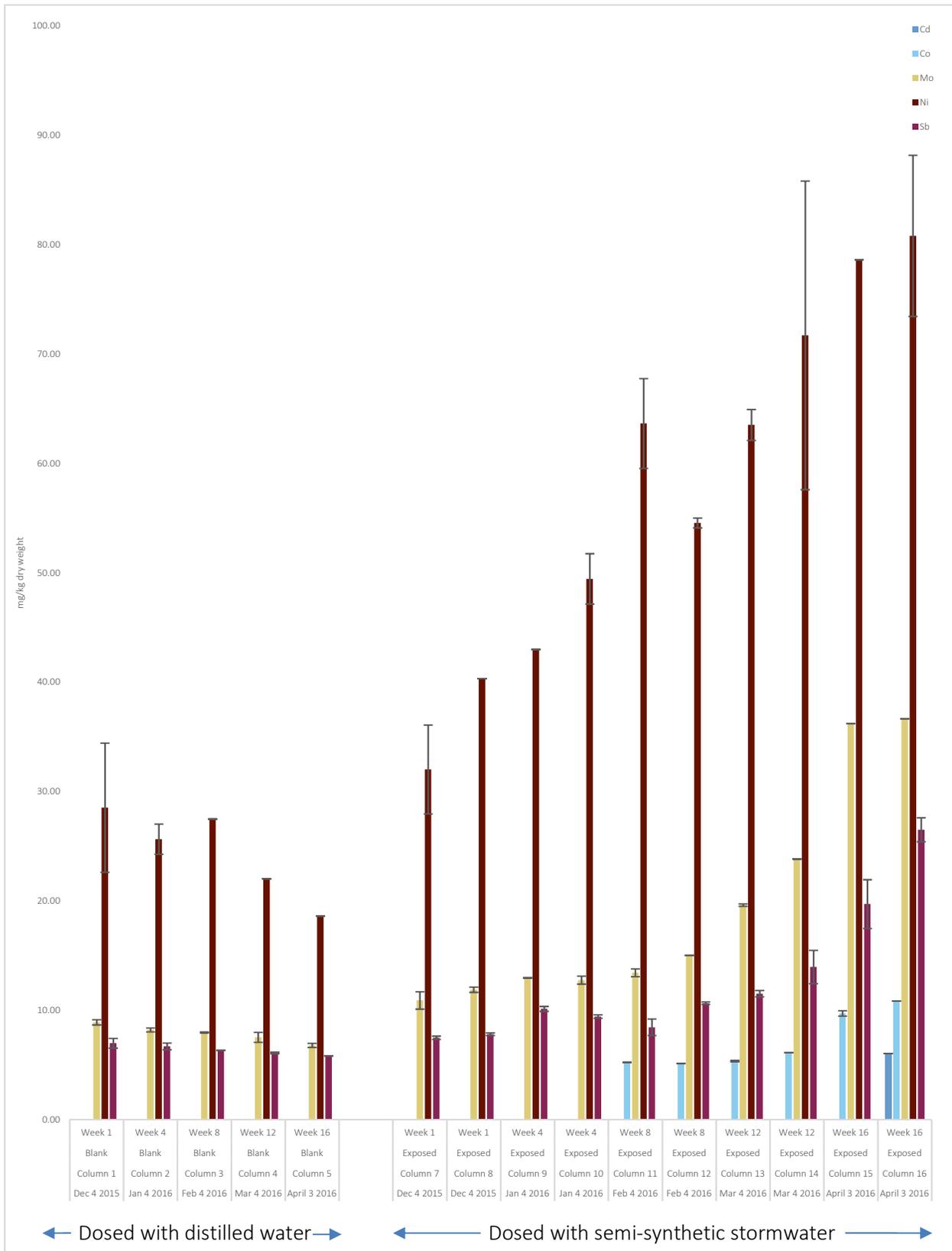


Figure 59. Barplot Comparison by Plot of Metals Associated with Stormwater in Surface Sediment

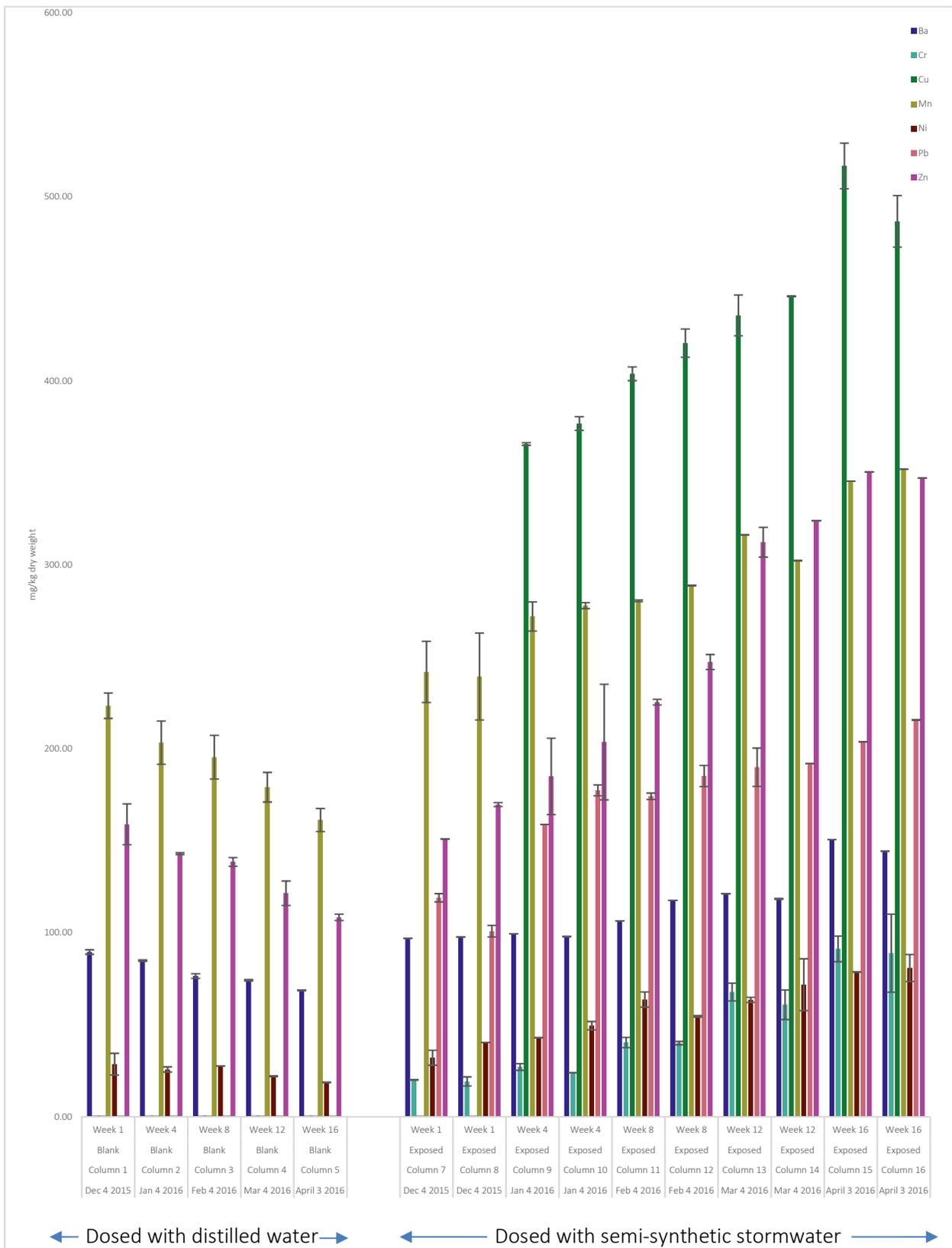


Figure 60. Barplot Comparison by Plot of Metals Associated with Stormwater in Surface Sediment

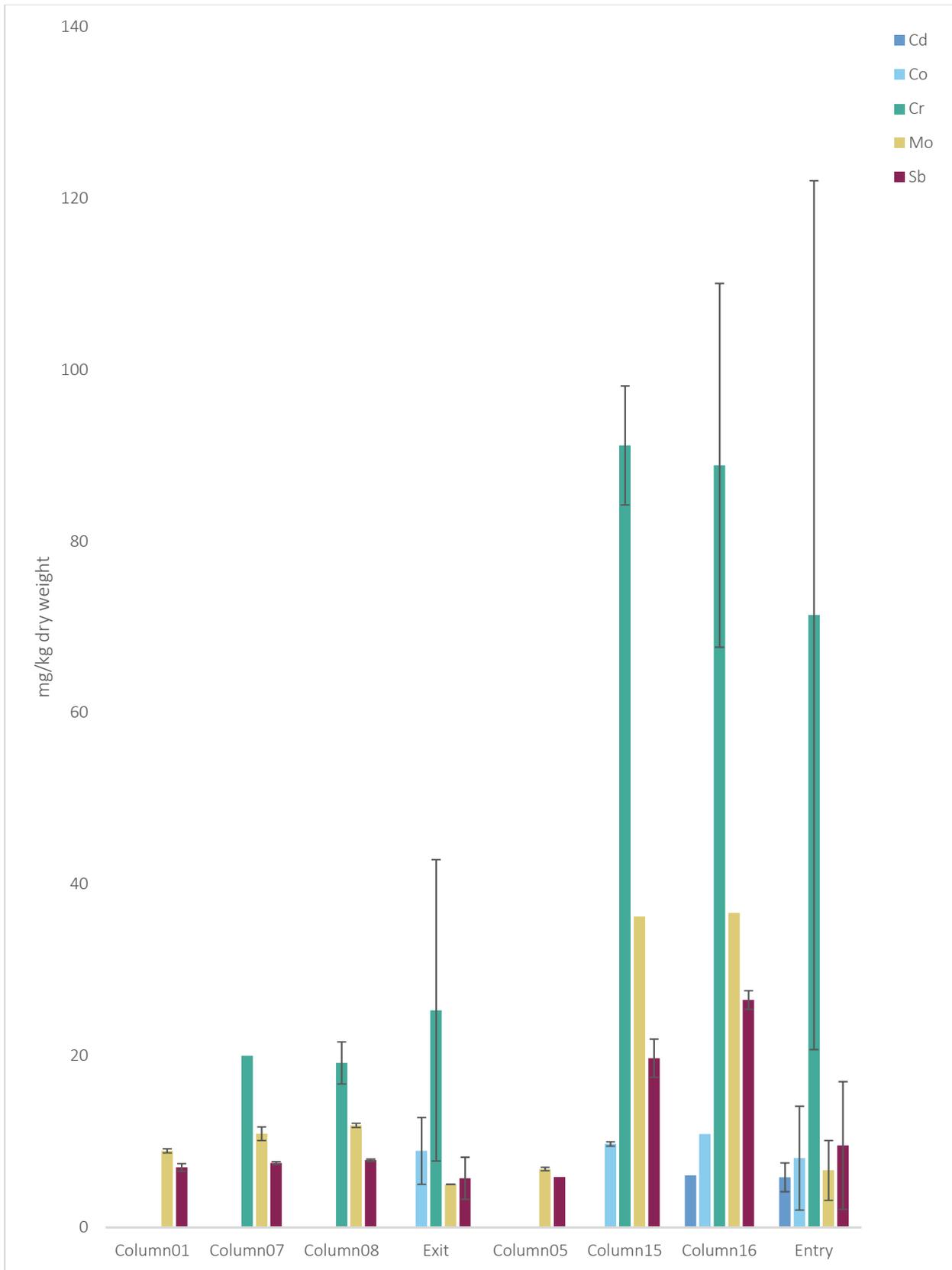


Figure 61. Comparison of Metals Associated with Stormwater in Field Study and Lab Study Surface Sediment

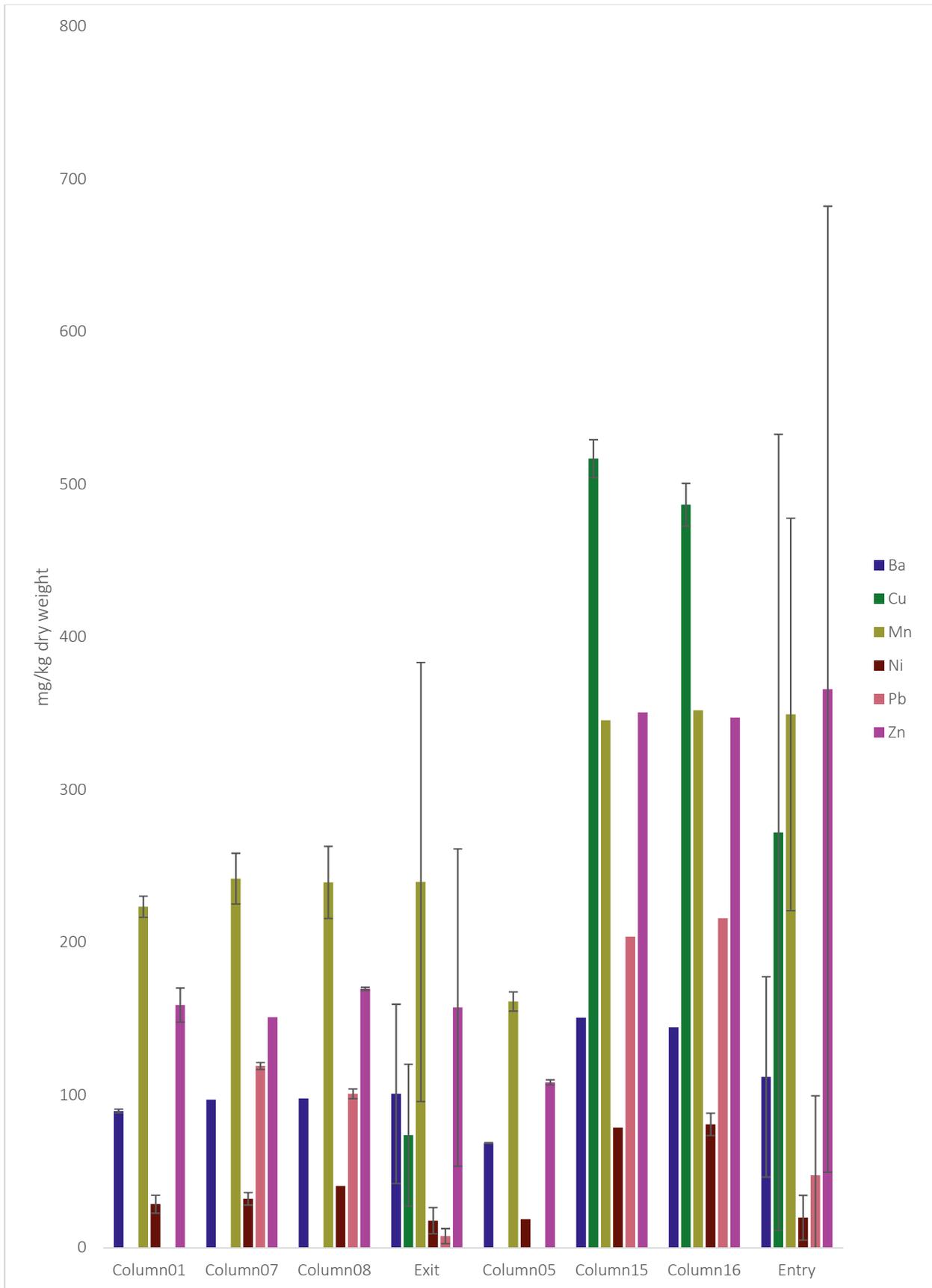


Figure 62. Comparison of Metals Associated with Stormwater in Field Study and Lab Study Surface Sediment

3.6.1.4.2.3. 10-cm Depth Sediment Samples

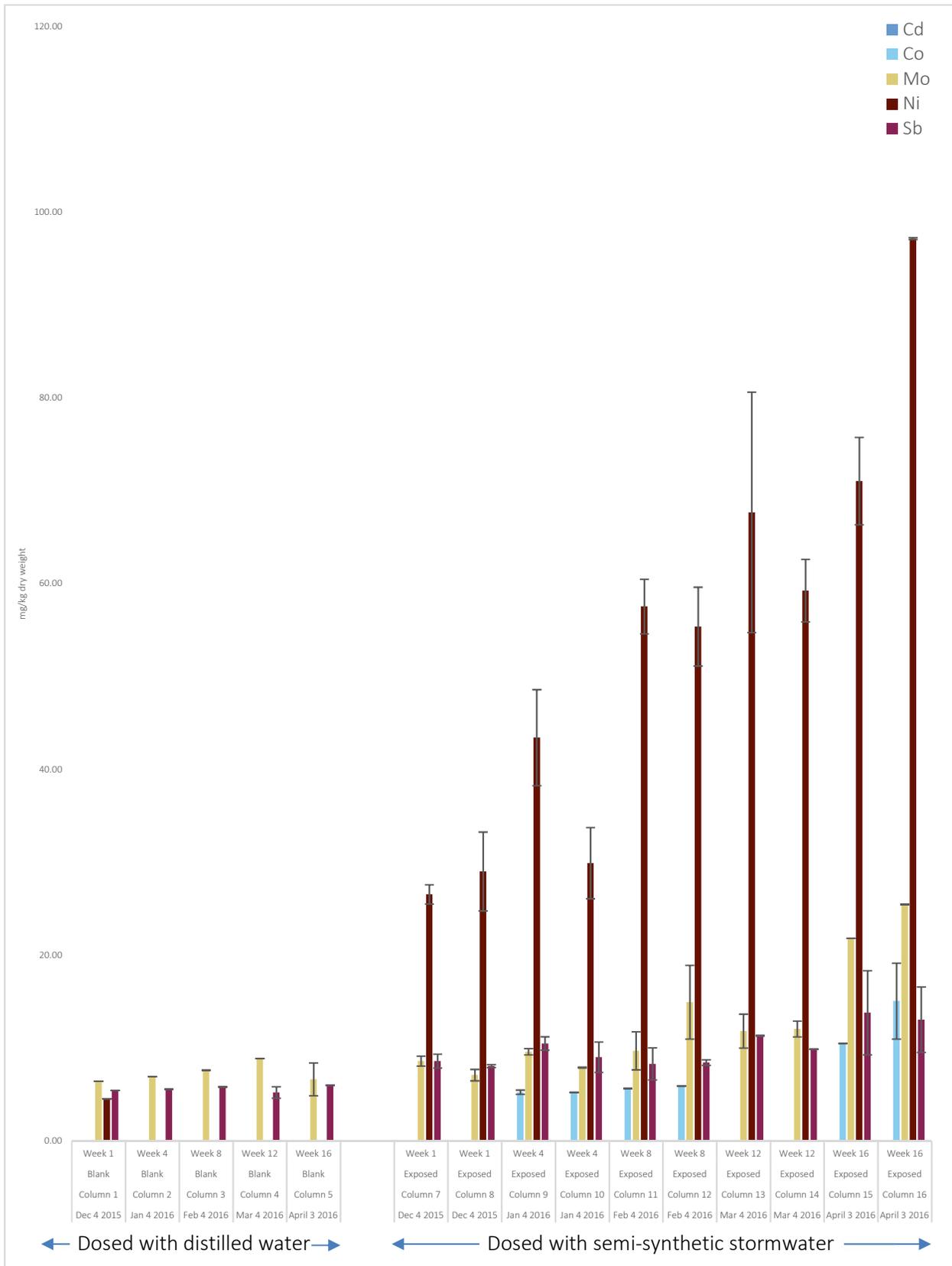


Figure 63. Barplot Time Comparison of Metals Associated with Stormwater in 10-cm Depth Sediment

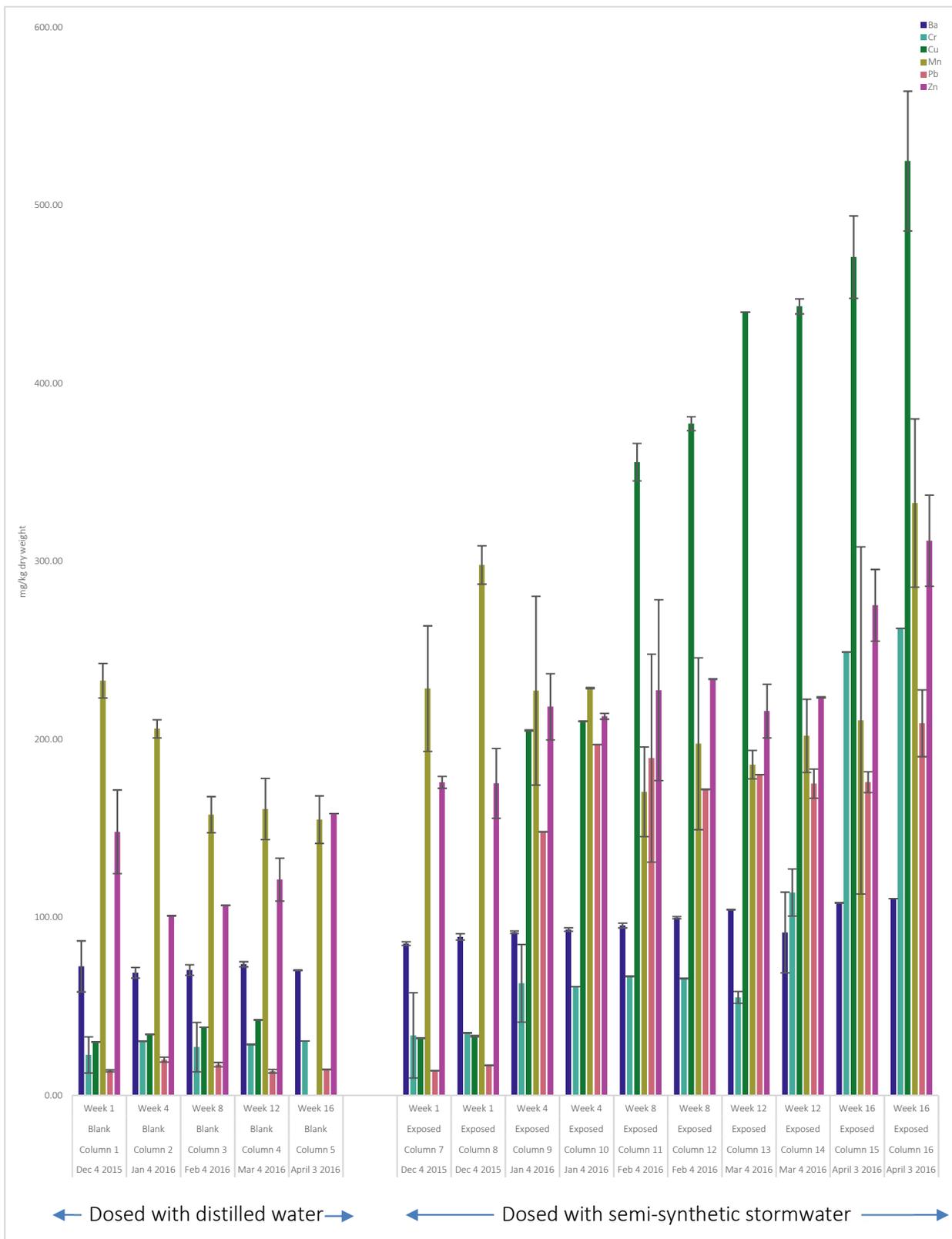


Figure 64. Barplot Time Comparison of Metals Associated with Stormwater in 10-cm Depth Sediment

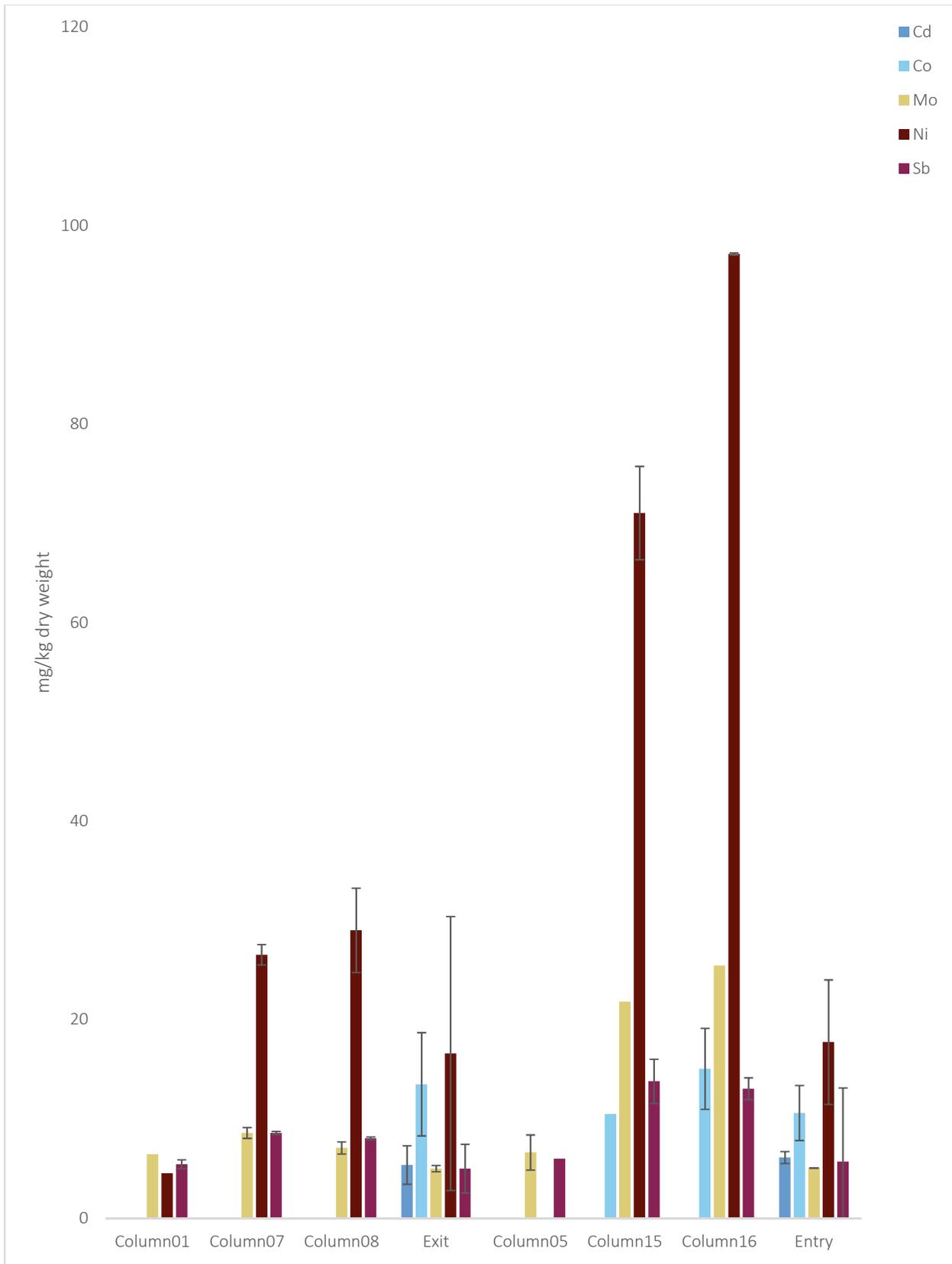


Figure 65. Comparison of Metals Associated with Stormwater in Field Study and Lab Study 10-cm Depth Sediment

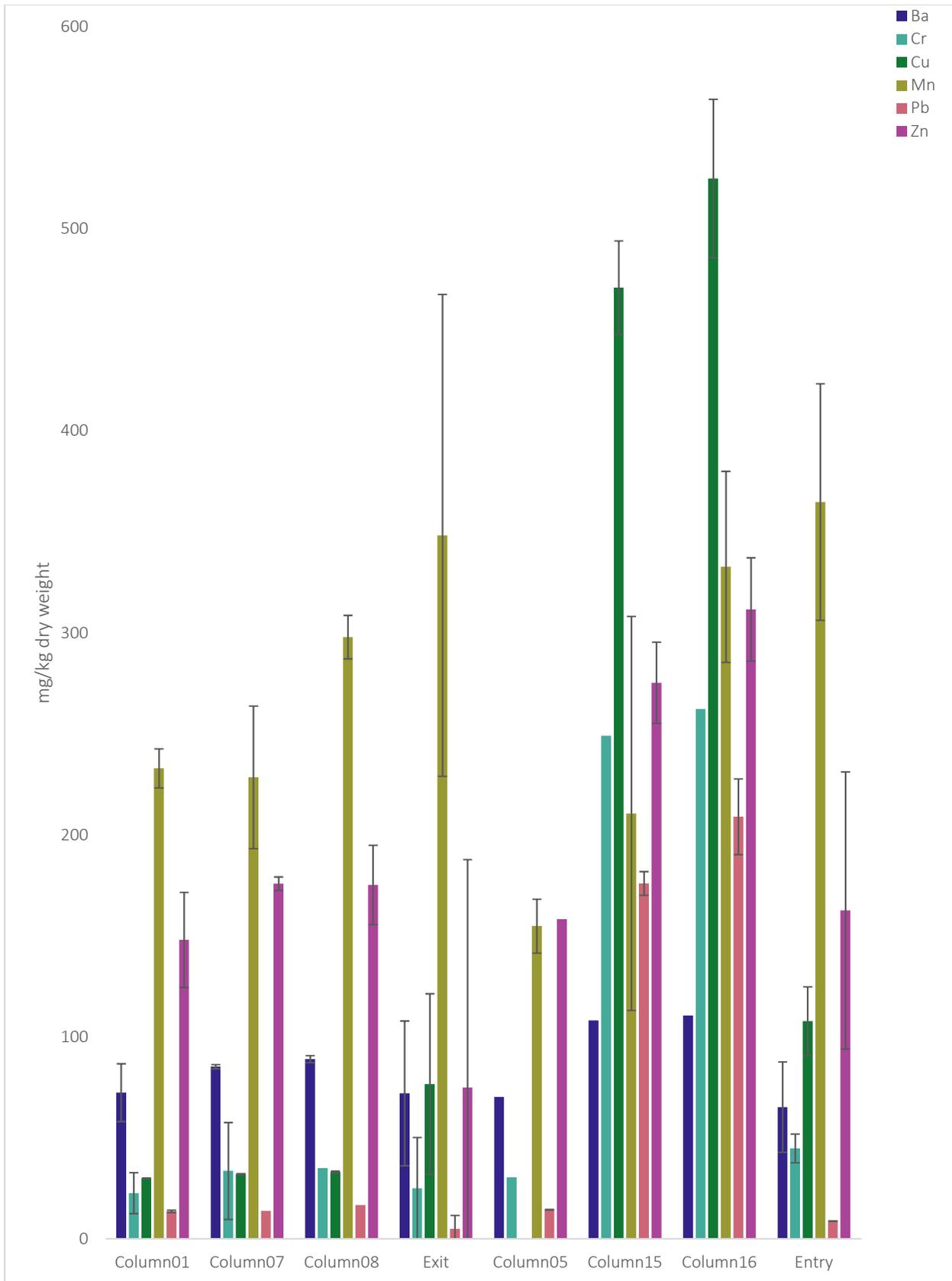


Figure 66. Comparison of Metals Associated with Stormwater in Field Study and Lab Study 10-cm Depth Sediment

3.6.2 Microbial Community Analysis

3.6.2.1 Data Quality and Screening

3.6.2.1.1 *Interpretation*

Using the `count.seq` command in Mothur (Schloss et al., 2009), the average sequence count for the field samples (excluding blanks) was initially calculated to be 21,888. To ensure only high quality outputs were analyzed, the minimum cutoff was set to 9000 clones and by this means two DNA extracts were eliminated from the dataset. After setting the cutoff, the new average clone count for the field samples was calculated to be 22,084 clones. Because there was a range of counts obtained using the MiSeq platform, diversity analyses were performed by randomly subsampling 9000 clones from each sample present in the dataset.

Figure 67 is a rarefaction curve for the field sample sequences, which was calculated using the `rarefaction.single` command and `SOBS` parameter in Mothur. This graph illustrates the sequence depth and cutoff for the field samples. From the figure, it is clear that there were more OTUs identified in the sediment samples (marked with black and brown lines) than in the water samples (marked with blue lines). This is expected because there is generally a higher level of microbial diversity in soil samples than in water samples when sampling in the natural environment, as was performed in this field study. Diversity analyses were performed by randomly subsampling 5000 clones from each sample present in the dataset.

Using the `ANOSIM` function in R (R Core Team, 2016), an assessment of outliers among pseudo-replicate field samples was performed. The boxplot output is illustrated in Figure 68. Three pseudo-replicate field samples were identified as likely to be including outliers and all three pseudo-replicates corresponded to water samples. Figure 69 is an NMDS plot, which illustrates the pseudo-replicates that contain outliers. Three outliers were identified and removed from the field study dataset and the `ANOSIM` calculation was performed a second time, as illustrated in Figure 70. The removal of outliers increased the `R` fit statistic for the water sample dataset from 0.912 to 0.974.

The same screening procedures were performed on the dataset for the sequences obtained from samples taken during the laboratory column study (Figure 71). Sequence diversity was lower in this dataset, as was expected due to the controlled conditions in the laboratory. Before screening, the average number of clones (excluding blanks) was calculated to be 7138 clones. The minimum and maximum cutoffs were set to 5000 clones and 9000 clones, respectively. A maximum cutoff was set because three DNA extracts produced an unreasonably high level of clones (more than 500% above the average). This may be the result of a laboratory handling error because the samples were consecutively located on the sequencing plate for the MiSeq platform. After setting the cutoffs, the new average number of clones was calculated to be 6353.

Using the ANOSIM function (Figure 72), four outliers were identified among pseudo-replicates in the laboratory column study dataset. These outliers are illustrated using the NMDS plot displayed in Figure 73. After removal of outliers, the R fit statistic increased from 0.985 to 0.986 for the water samples dataset, from 0.906 to 0.908 for the surface sediment sample dataset, and from 0.904 to 0.951 for the depth sediment sample dataset. The recalculated ANOSIM output is illustrated in Figure 74.

3.6.2.1.2 Field Study

3.6.2.1.2.1. Sequence Depth Cutoff

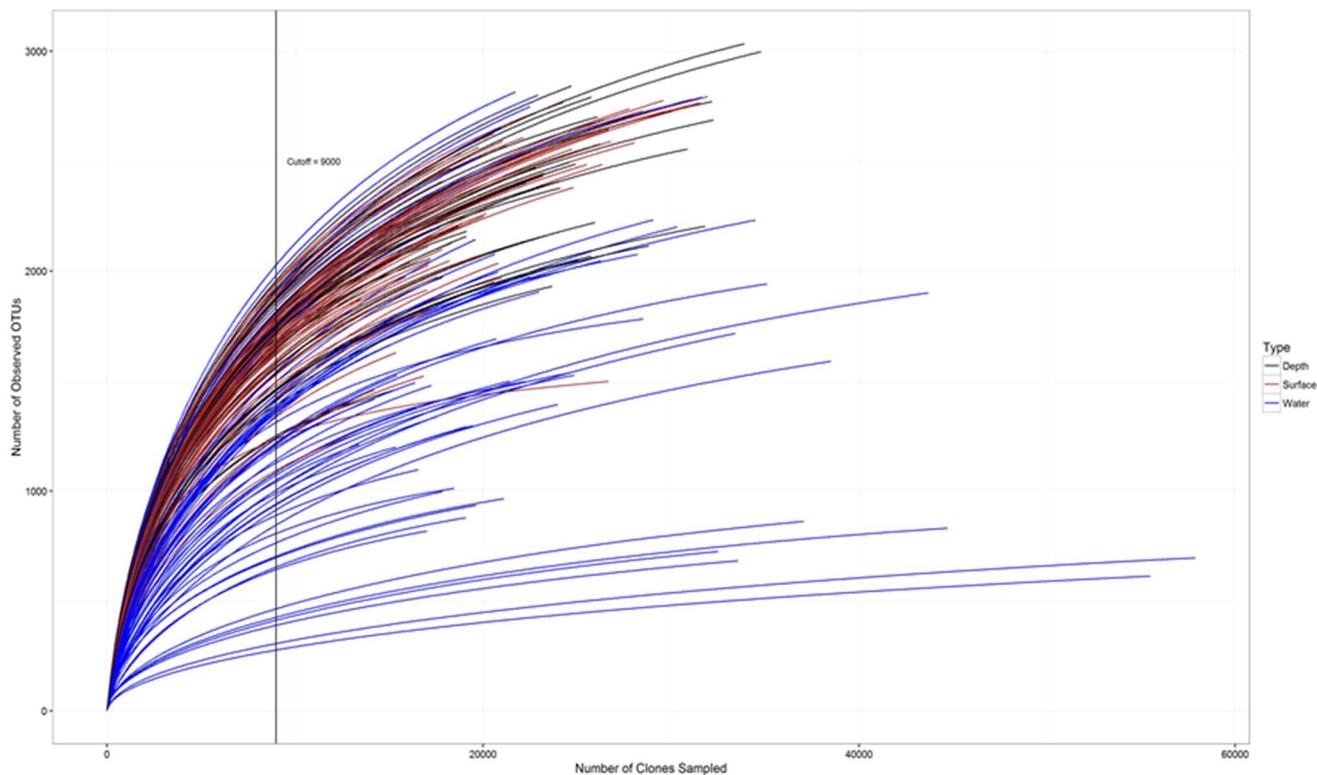


Figure 67. Rarefaction Curve Illustrating Minimum Depth Cut-off for Field Samples

3.6.2.1.2.2. Comparison of Pseudo-Replicates and Outlier Screening

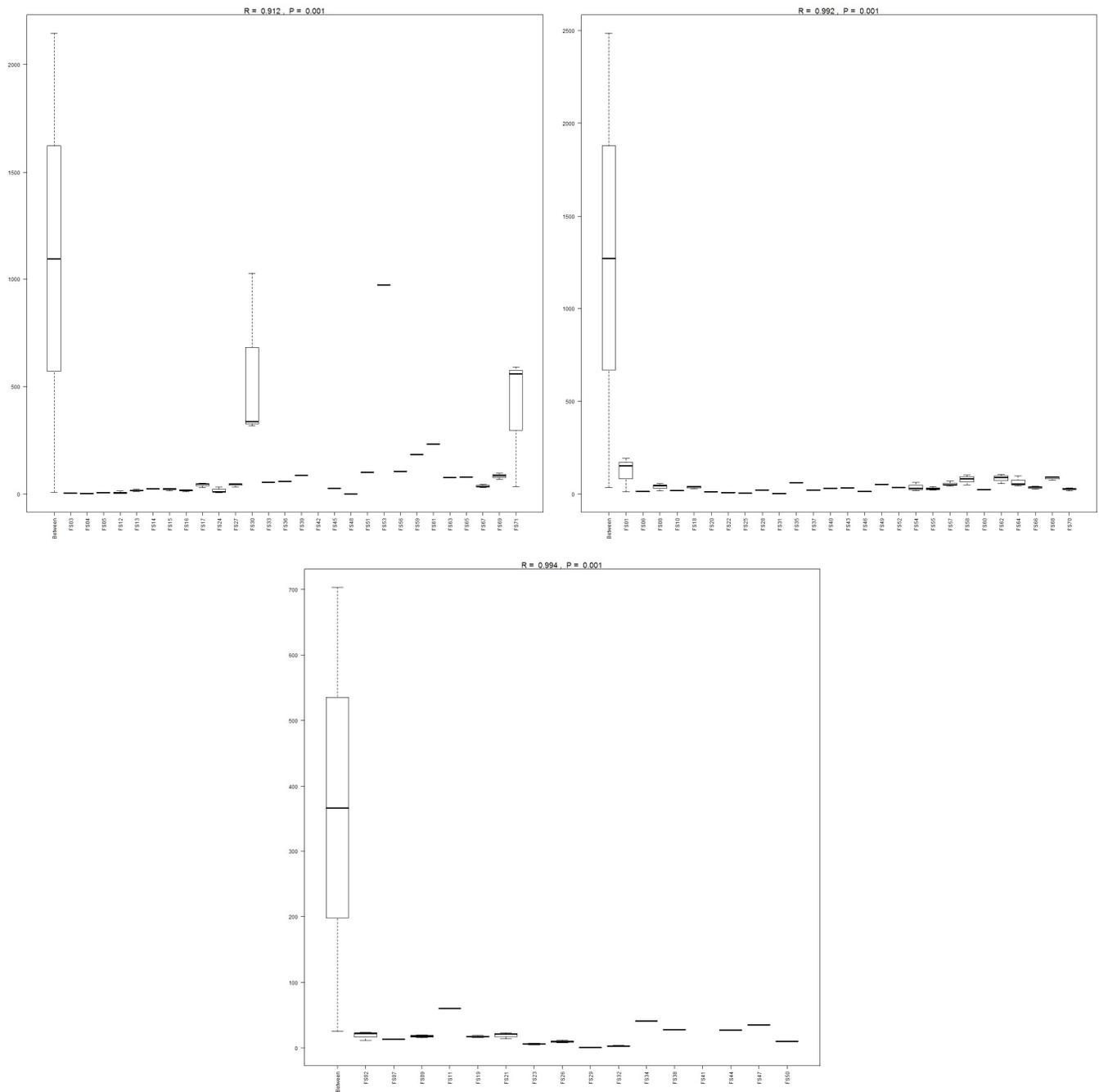


Figure 68. Anosim Boxplot Between Pseudo-Replicate Samples Prior to Outlier Screening in the Field Study (Left to right: Water, Surface Sediment, and 10-cm Depth Sediment Samples)

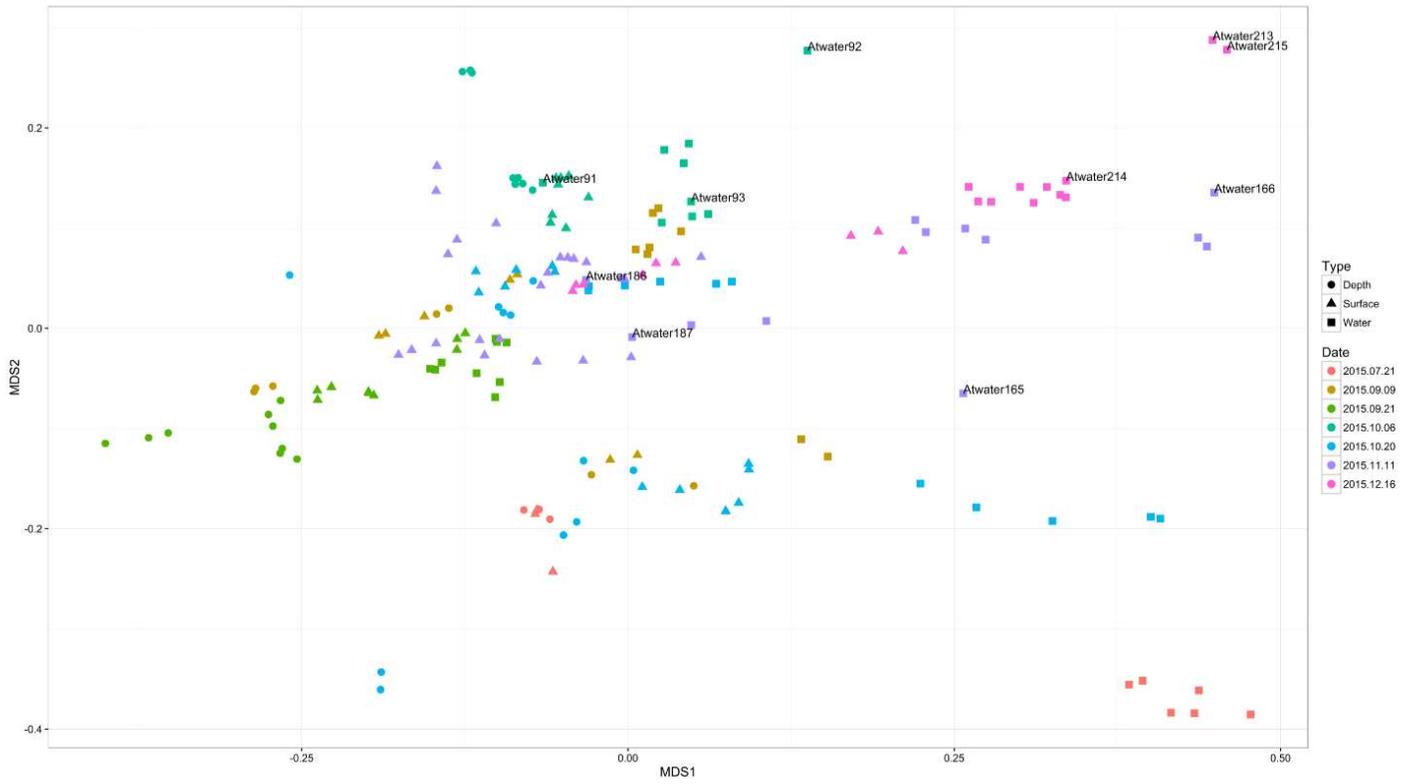


Figure 69. NMDS Plot Illustrating Suspected Outliers Among Field Samples

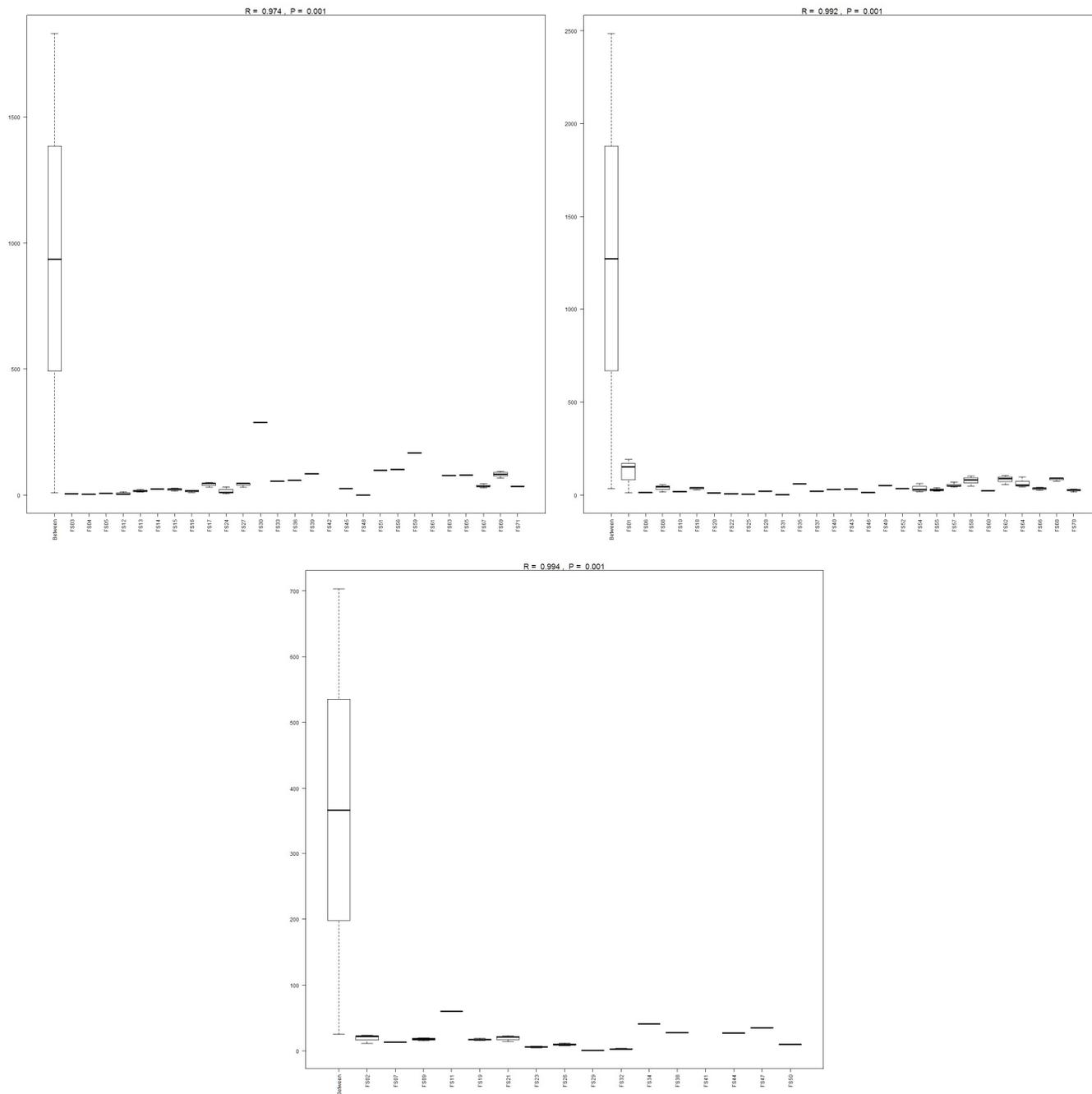


Figure 70. Anosim Boxplot Between Pseudo-Replicate Samples After Outlier Screening in the Field Study (Left to right: Water, Surface Sediment, and 10-cm Depth Sediment Samples)

3.6.2.1.3 Laboratory Study

3.6.2.1.3.1. Sequence Depth Cutoff

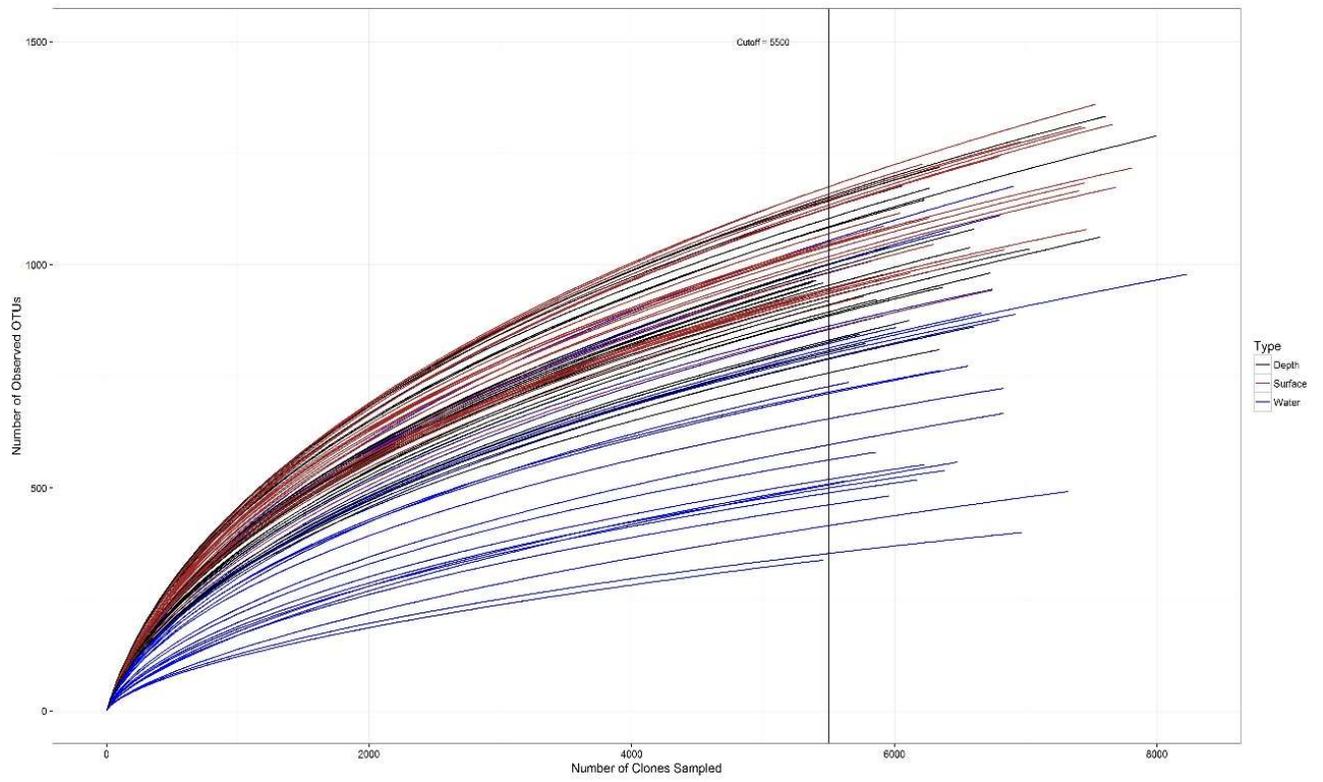


Figure 71. Rarefaction Curve Illustrating Minimum Depth Cutoff for Column Samples

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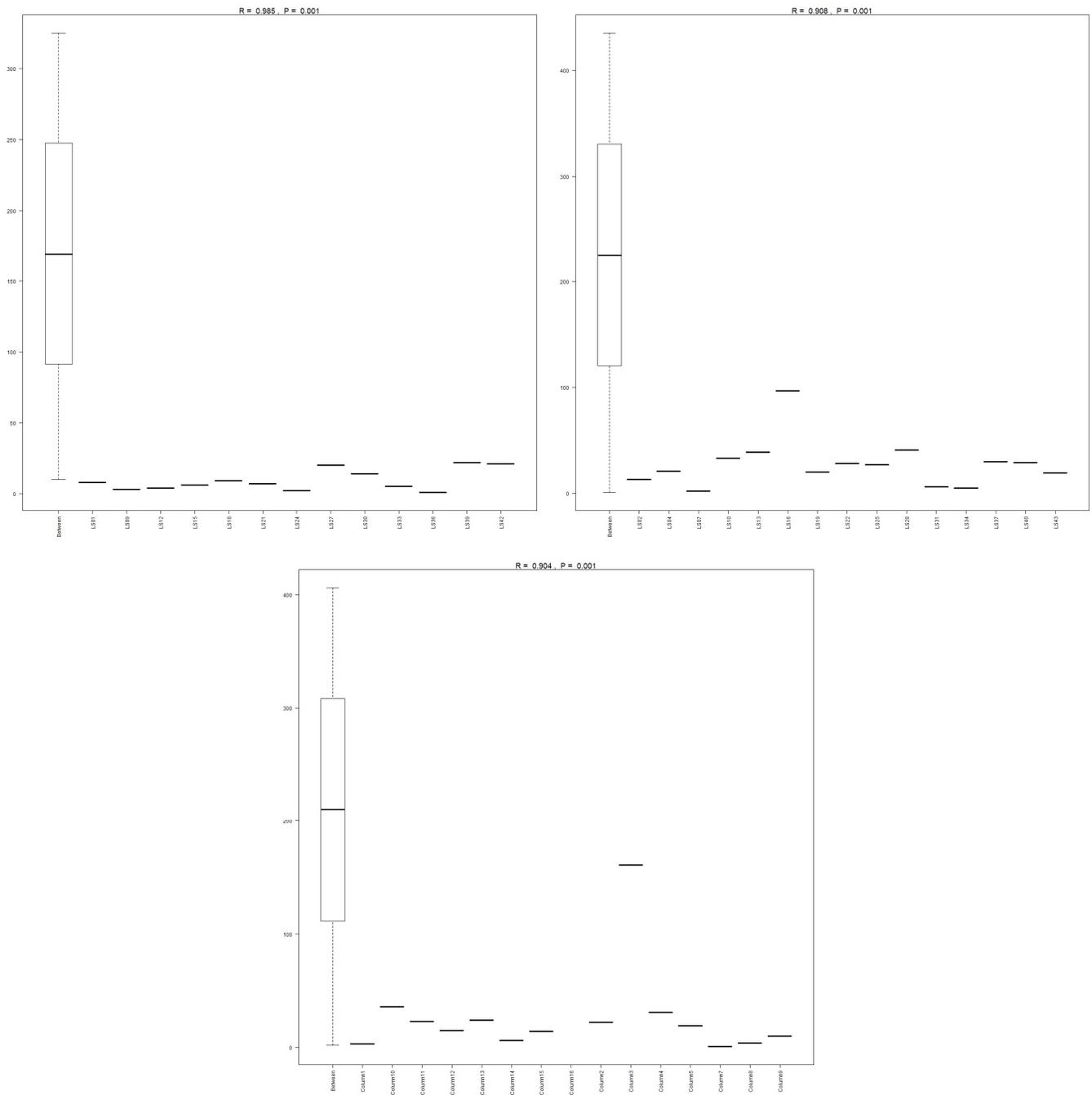


Figure 72. Anosim Boxplot Between Pseudo-Replicate Samples Prior to Outlier Screening in the Column Study (Left to right: Water, Surface Sediment, and 10-cm Depth Sediment Samples)

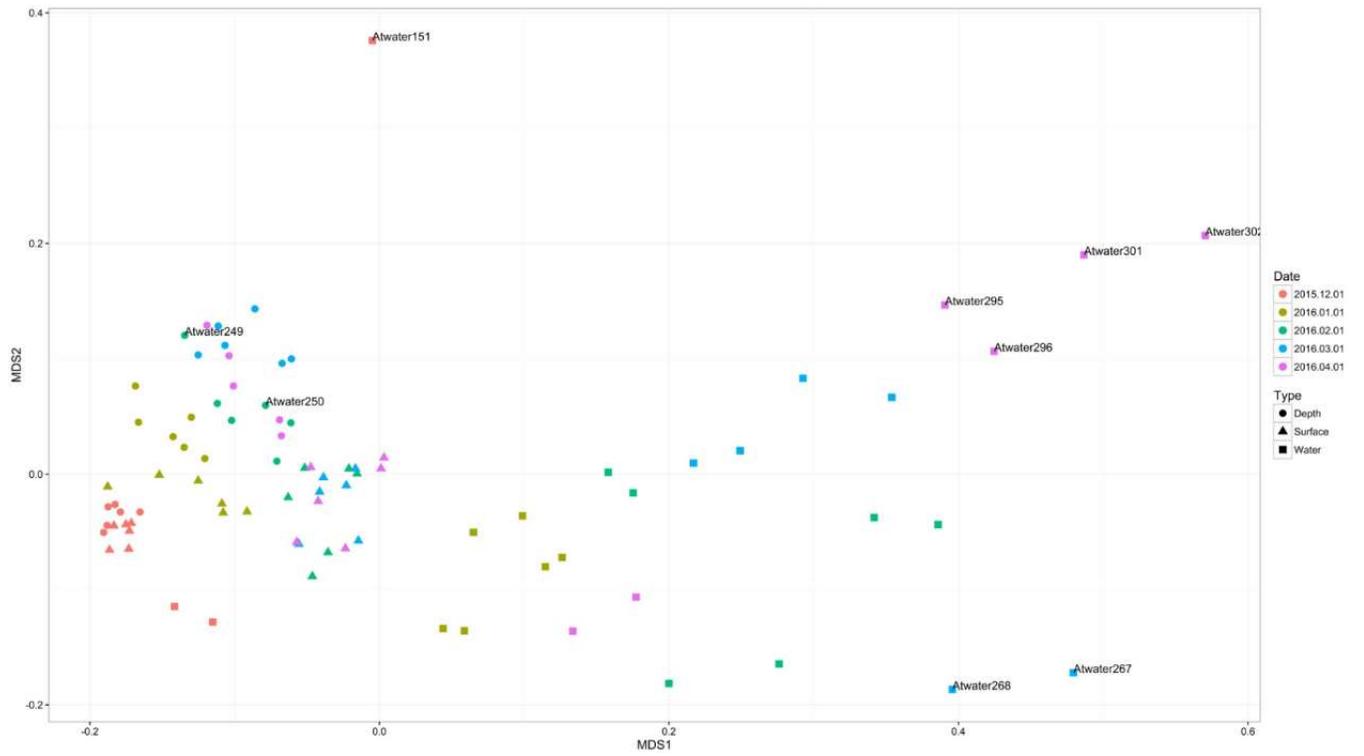


Figure 73. NMDS Plot Illustrating Suspected Outliers Among Column Samples

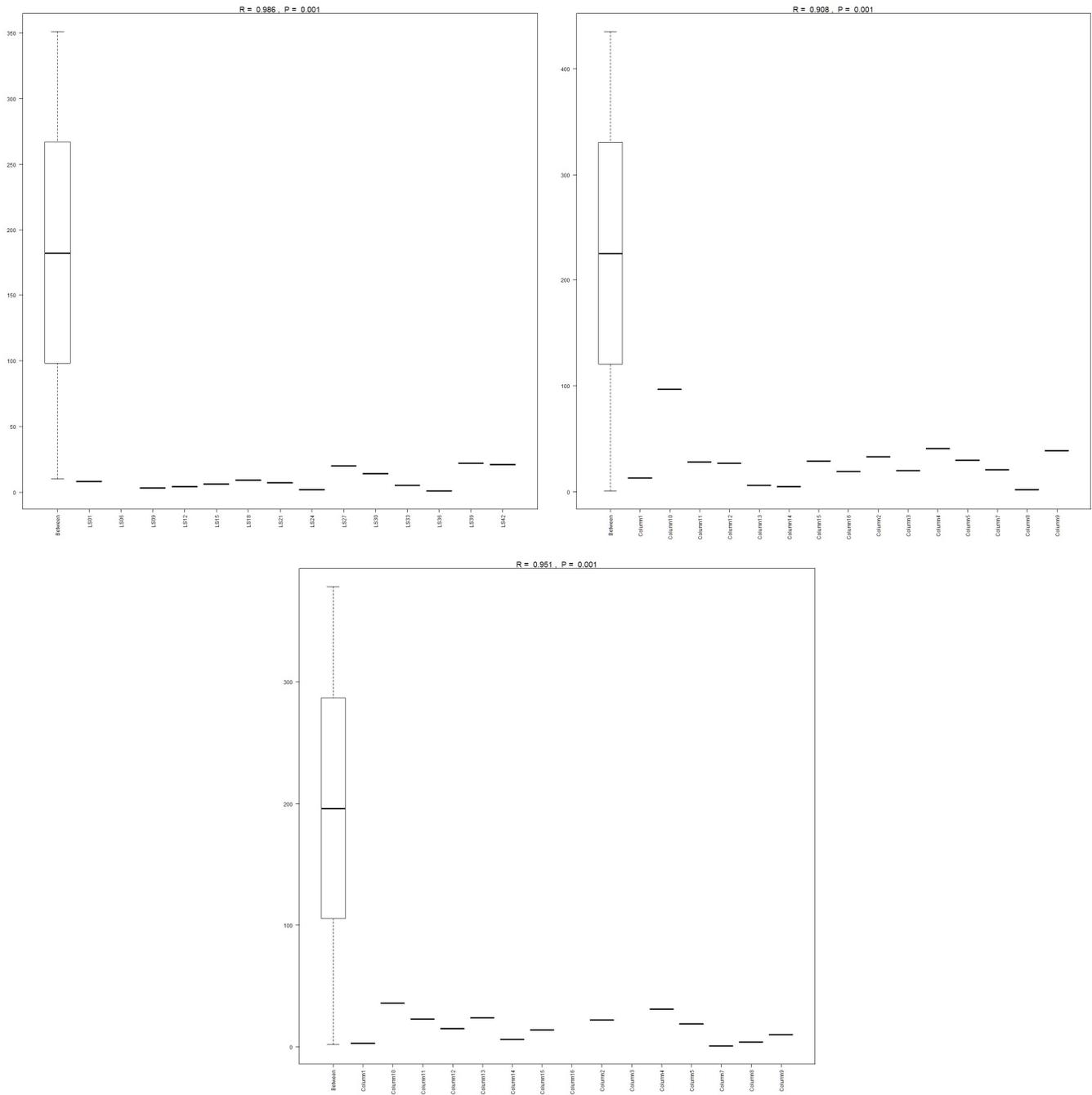


Figure 74. Anosim Boxplot Between Pseudo-Replicate Samples After Outlier Screening in the Column Study (Left to right: Water, Surface Sediment, and 10-cm Depth Sediment Samples)

3.6.2.2 Alpha Diversity

Please refer to Appendix H for the figures and tables that are referenced in this section.

In *Table 67*, one-way ANOVA comparison of the richness parameter using Chao1 indicated that there was a significant difference between the richness levels in the water samples, based on location (p-value =

0.008). Figure 109 through Figure 111 illustrate that lower richness was observed at Site 1 (stormceptor) and Site 6 (Lost Lagoon). The highest richness was observed at Site 5 (wetland exit). Alternately, in *Table 69*, comparison of coverage indicates a significant difference among locations (p-value = 0.004) with Site 1 and Site 6 having greater coverage than Site 2 through Site 5, as illustrated in Figure 112 through Figure 114. In *Table 71*, no significant difference (p-value = 0.237) was calculated for diversity among the water samples based on the Inverse Simpson index. Likewise, in *Table 72*, no significant difference (p-value = 0.130) was calculated for observed OTUs among the water samples based on SOBS. Figure 115 through Figure 120 graphically illustrate the calculations for diversity and observed OTUs.

In *Table 74*, one-way ANOVA comparison of the richness parameter using Chao1 indicated that there was a significant difference between the richness levels in the surface sediment samples, based on location (p-value = 0.011). Figure 121 through Figure 123 illustrate that lower richness was observed at Site 6 (Lost Lagoon). Alternately, in *Table 76*, comparison of coverage indicates a significant difference among locations (p-value = 0.010) with Site 6 having greater coverage than Site 2 through Site 5, as illustrated in Figure 124 through Figure 126. In *Table 78*, a significant difference (p-value = 0.003) was calculated for diversity among the surface sediment samples based on the Inverse Simpson index. However, in *Table 80*, no significant difference (p-value = 0.095) was calculated for observed OTUs among the surface sediment samples based on SOBS. Figure 127 through Figure 129 graphically illustrate the calculations for diversity and observed OTUs.

In *Table 81*, one-way ANOVA comparison of the richness parameter using Chao1 indicated that there was no significant difference between the richness levels in the 10-cm depth sediment samples, based on location (p-value = 0.727). Figure 130 through Figure 132 illustrate the similarity among sampling sites. Likewise, in *Table 82*, comparison of coverage indicated no significant difference among locations (p-value = 0.720), as illustrated in Figure 133 through Figure 135. In *Table 83*, no significant difference (p-value = 0.130) was calculated for diversity among the 10-cm depth sediment samples based on the Inverse Simpson index. In *Table 84*, no significant difference (p-value = 0.815) was calculated for observed OTUs among the 10-cm depth sediment samples based on SOBS. Figure 136 through Figure 141 graphically illustrate the calculations for diversity and observed OTUs.

In *Table 86*, using the ANOVA test, a significant difference for diversity (p-value = 0.0486) was calculated between water samples taken for the column study; however, this was not confirmed with the Tukey HSD test (p-value = 0.0580). No other significant differences were calculated for any of the indices. The comparisons are illustrated in *Table 85* through *Table 97* and in Figure 145 through Figure 168.

3.6.2.3 Community Composition

3.6.2.3.1 Interpretation

Analysis of the bacterial communities in the field samples generally indicated significant differences based on the location where the samples were collected. This significance also held true after adjusting for the date when the samples were collected.

Among the water samples taken during the field study, the hypothesis that no difference existed between field sites failed (p -value = 0.002). Further pairwise testing indicated that the Lost Lagoon had the most significantly different bacterial community from the wetland entry or forebay (p -value = 0.006) and a significantly different bacterial community from the wetland exit or settling pond (p -value = 0.03). Of importance, a significant difference was not calculated between the wetland entry and wetland exit (p -value = 0.492). In addition, no significant differences were determined between the stormceptor and any of the other sites for the bacterial communities identified in the water samples; however, this is likely due to a small sample size for the stormceptor. Figure 75 is an NMDS plot which illustrates the distance of dissimilarities among the field water samples. From this plot, there is a clear difference between the Lost Lagoon and the wetland; however, differences between the wetland entry and exit are more difficult to visually discern. Statistical outputs for the field water samples are summarized in *Table 33* and *Table 34*. In addition, using the *envfit* statistic in the *vegan* package in R, only nickel had a significant correlation (p -value < 0.05) with the bacterial communities in the field water samples. However, nickel correlated with the Lost Lagoon, which had higher concentrations of nickel than the wetland. The lack of correlations among metal concentration and the field water samples suggest that water sampling alone would not be an adequate technique for validating a stormwater treatment wetland, such as the Lost Lagoon wetland.

Of greater significance among the bacterial community comparisons are the results between the surface sediment samples. In Figure 76, there are clear visual differences between the Lost Lagoon and the wetland forebay and wetland settling pond. These differences are supported by the statistical calculations summarized in *Table 35* and *Table 36* where all p -values are less than 0.05. In addition, using the *envfit* parameter, copper and chromium positively correlated with the wetland forebay samples and nickel negatively correlated with the wetland settling pond samples. The 10-cm depth sediment field samples yielded the same overall results as the surface sediment field samples. Barium concentrations also positively correlated with the wetland forebay. These results are illustrated in Figure 77 and summarized in *Table 37* and *Table 38*.

The bacterial communities, identified among the samples extracted from the laboratory column samples, yielded interesting results. These results begin to show some potential causation between the application or dosing of stormwater and the response of bacteria to said stormwater.

The NMDS plot in Figure 78 illustrates the response of bacteria in the water samples extracted over the duration of the column study. From the figure, generally, there is a departure between columns that were dosed with stormwater and between columns that were dosed with distilled water. Exposure to stormwater yielded a difference from distilled water (p-value = 0.035) even when accounting for the fact that the date that the samples were taken along the study period also yielded a significant impact (p-value = 0.003). Results positively correlated with four metals – manganese, nickel, chromium and copper. The statistical computations for the column water samples can be found in *Table 39*.

The NMDS plot in Figure 79 illustrates a similar response of bacteria in the surface sediment samples extracted over the duration of the column study as was observed with the water samples. There is significant departure between columns that were dosed with stormwater and columns that were dosed with distilled water (p-value = 0.05). Results positively correlated with copper. This held true when considering the date in which samples were extracted and computations are summarized in *Table 40*.

The NMDS plot in Figure 80 illustrates a different result for the 10-cm depth sediment samples extracted over the duration of column study. While there is some departure between the columns that were dosed with stormwater and the columns that were dosed with distilled water, there is no clear pattern with time for the progression of the bacterial communities in the columns that were dosed with distilled water. The summary of statistics for the 10-cm depth sediment samples can be found in *Table 41*.

3.6.2.3.2 Field Study

3.6.2.3.2.1. Water Samples

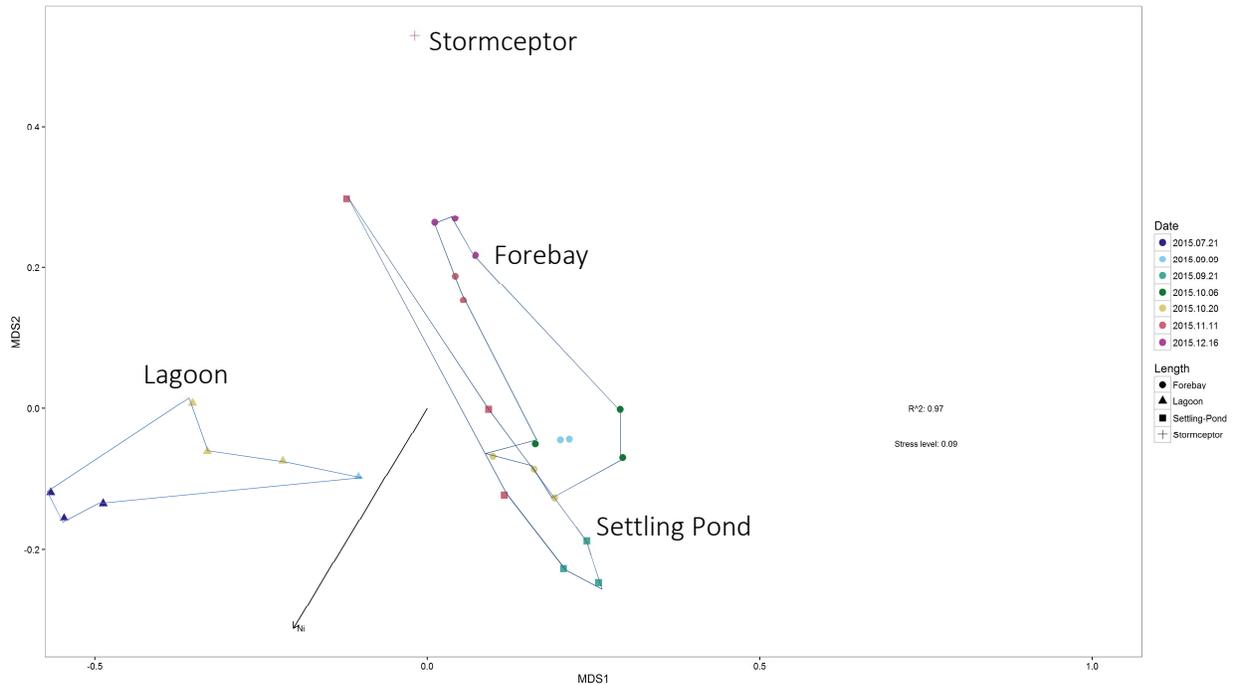


Figure 75. NMDS Plot Comparing Field Study Water Samples

Table 33. Adonis Whole Dataset Comparison of Field Study Water Samples by Location with Strata Adjustment for Date

| | Df | SumsOfSqs | MeanSqs | F.Model | R2 | Pr(>F) |
|-----------|----|-----------|----------|---------|----------|--------|
| Length | 3 | 2.201482 | 0.733827 | 5.13504 | 0.401122 | 0.002 |
| Residuals | 23 | 3.286835 | 0.142906 | NA | 0.598878 | NA |
| Total | 26 | 5.488317 | NA | NA | 1 | NA |

Table 34. Adonis Pairwise Comparison of Field Study Water Samples by Location

| | Pairs | F.Model | R2 | p.value | p.adjusted |
|---|------------------------------|----------|----------|---------|------------|
| 1 | Lagoon vs Forebay | 18.39609 | 0.505441 | 0.001 | 0.006 |
| 2 | Lagoon vs Settling-Pond | 13.37634 | 0.548743 | 0.005 | 0.03 |
| 3 | Lagoon vs Stormceptor | 1.588809 | 0.209362 | 0.266 | 1 |
| 4 | Forebay vs Settling-Pond | 2.45167 | 0.126039 | 0.082 | 0.492 |
| 5 | Forebay vs Stormceptor | 2.783385 | 0.188278 | 0.073 | 0.438 |
| 6 | Settling-Pond vs Stormceptor | 2.92018 | 0.368701 | 0.138 | 0.828 |

3.6.2.3.2.2. Surface Sediment Samples

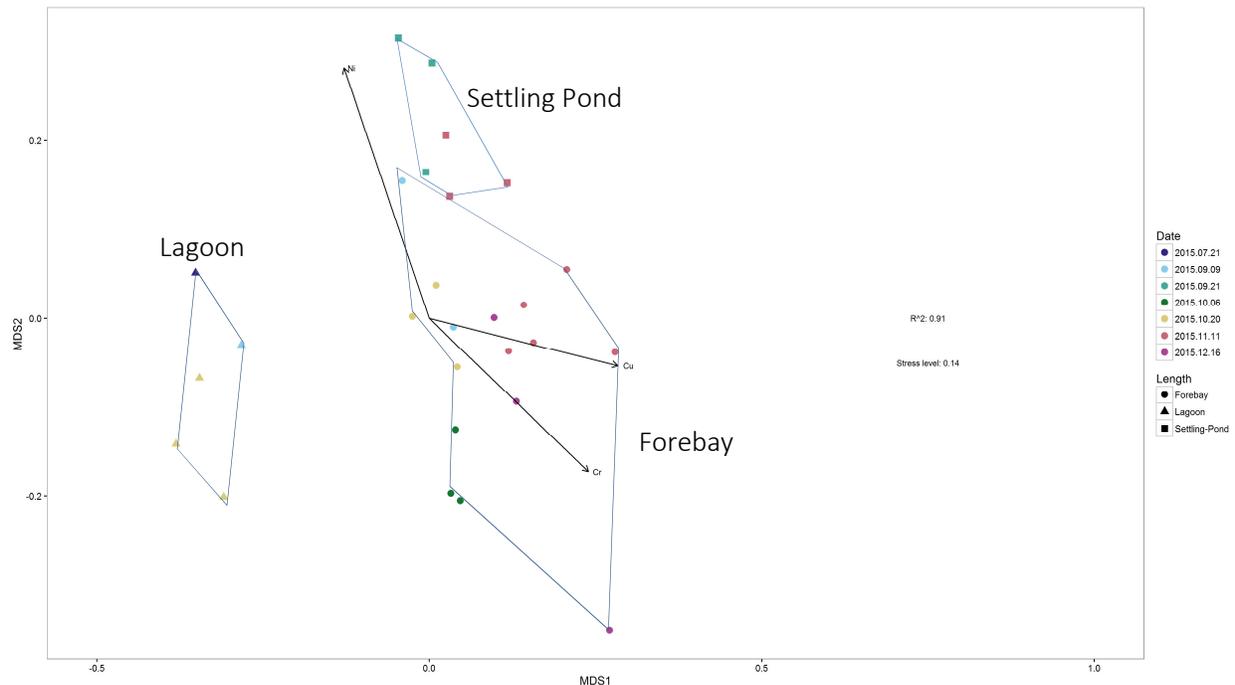


Figure 76. NMDS Plot Comparing Field Study Surface Sediment Samples

Table 35. Adonis Whole Dataset Comparison of Field Study Surface Sediment Samples by Location with Strata Adjustment for Date

| | Df | SumsOfSqs | MeanSqs | F.Model | R2 | Pr(>F) |
|-----------|----|-----------|----------|----------|----------|--------|
| Length | 2 | 1.215679 | 0.60784 | 6.157626 | 0.339121 | 0.002 |
| Residuals | 24 | 2.36912 | 0.098713 | NA | 0.660879 | NA |
| Total | 26 | 3.584799 | NA | NA | 1 | NA |

Table 36. Adonis Pairwise Comparison of Field Study Surface Sediment Samples by Location

| | Pairs | F.Model | R2 | p.value | p.adjusted |
|---|--------------------------|-------------|-------------|---------|------------|
| 1 | Lagoon vs Forebay | 20.51019042 | 0.519111404 | 0.001 | 0.003 |
| 2 | Lagoon vs Settling-Pond | 22.04533539 | 0.710101376 | 0.005 | 0.015 |
| 3 | Forebay vs Settling-Pond | 6.611271881 | 0.248438779 | 0.001 | 0.003 |

3.6.2.3.2.3. 10-cm Depth Sediment Samples

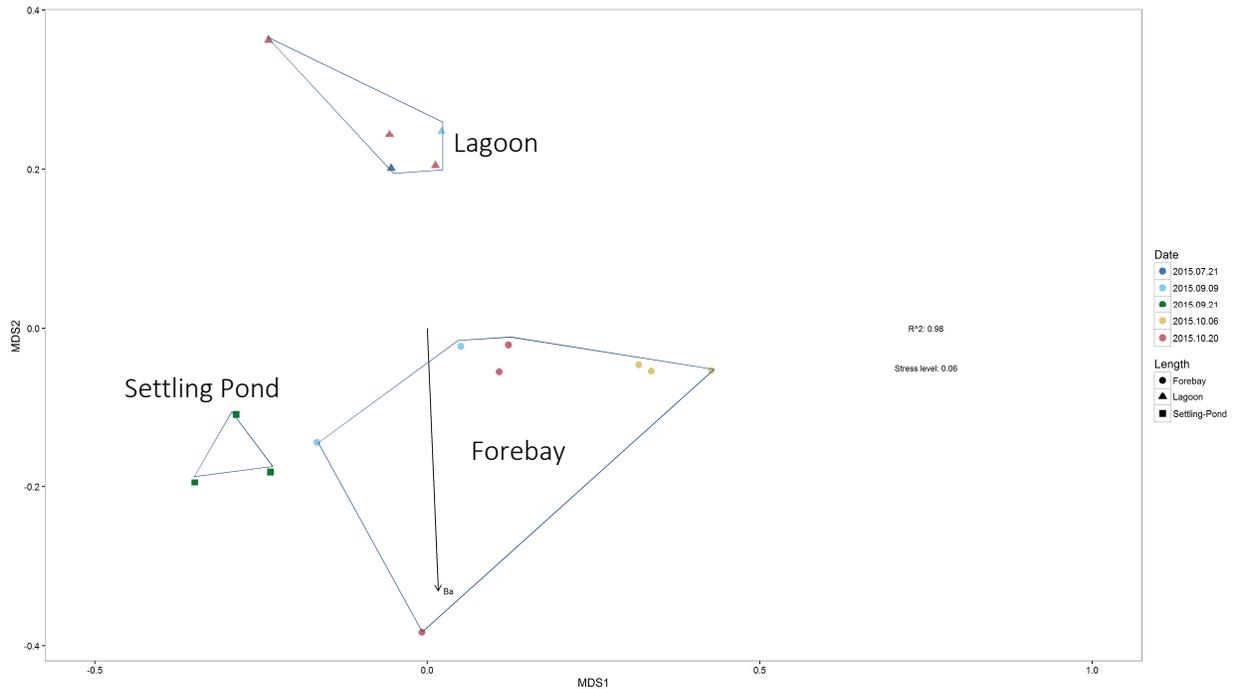


Figure 77. NMDS Plot Comparing Field Study 10-cm Depth Sediment Samples

Table 37. Adonis Whole Dataset Comparison of Field Study Depth Sediment Samples by Location with Strata Adjustment for Date

| | Df | SumsOfSqs | MeanSqs | F.Model | R2 | Pr(>F) |
|-----------|----|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|--------|
| Length | 2 | 1.097689211 | 0.548844606 | 4.629741405 | 0.415979243 | 0.02 |
| Residuals | 13 | 1.541118444 | 0.118547573 | NA | 0.584020757 | NA |
| Total | 15 | 2.638807656 | NA | NA | 1 | NA |

Table 38. Adonis Pairwise Comparison of Field Study Depth Sediment Samples by Location

| | Pairs | F.Model | R2 | p.value | p.adjusted |
|---|--------------------------|-------------|-------------|---------|------------|
| 1 | Lagoon vs Forebay | 6.498867792 | 0.371387902 | 0.001 | 0.003 |
| 2 | Lagoon vs Settling-Pond | 14.66670227 | 0.70967792 | 0.016 | 0.048 |
| 3 | Forebay vs Settling-Pond | 5.200414149 | 0.366215668 | 0.004 | 0.012 |

3.6.2.3.3 Laboratory Study

3.6.2.3.3.1. Water Samples

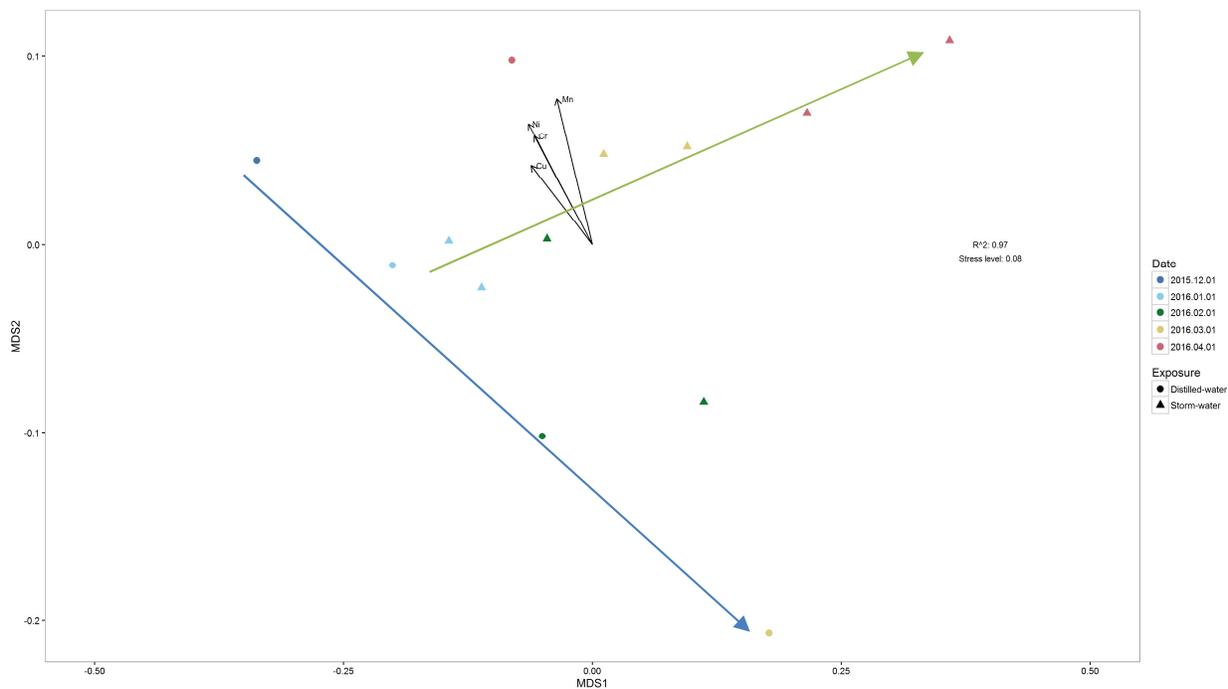


Figure 78. NMDS Plot Comparing Laboratory Study Water Sediment Samples

Table 39. Adonis Whole Dataset Comparison of Laboratory Study Water Samples by Exposure and Date

| | Df | SumsOfSqs | MeanSqs | F.Model | R2 | Pr(>F) |
|-----------|----|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|--------|
| Exposure | 1 | 0.167920169 | 0.167920169 | 2.007923907 | 0.121214106 | 0.035 |
| Date | 4 | 0.631997288 | 0.157999322 | 1.889294283 | 0.456210748 | 0.003 |
| Residuals | 7 | 0.58540126 | 0.083628751 | NA | 0.422575147 | NA |
| Total | 12 | 1.385318718 | NA | NA | 1 | NA |

3.6.2.3.3.2. Surface Sediment Samples

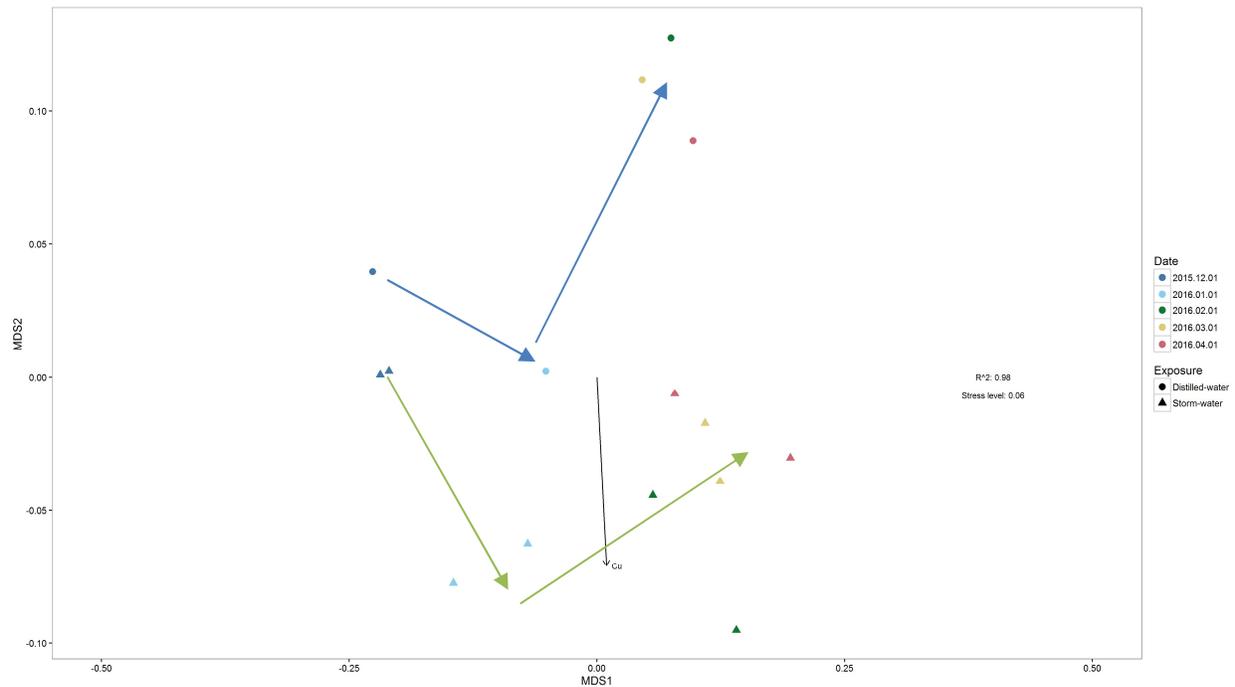


Figure 79. NMDS Plot Comparing Column Study Surface Sediment Samples

Table 40. Adonis Whole Dataset Comparison of Laboratory Study Surface Sediment Samples by Exposure and Date

| | Df | SumsOfSqs | MeanSqs | F.Model | R2 | Pr(>F) |
|-----------|----|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|--------|
| Exposure | 1 | 0.067210634 | 0.067210634 | 1.777639956 | 0.085997169 | 0.05 |
| Date | 4 | 0.37405388 | 0.09351347 | 2.473318129 | 0.478608408 | 0.001 |
| Residuals | 9 | 0.340280217 | 0.037808913 | NA | 0.435394423 | NA |
| Total | 14 | 0.781544732 | NA | NA | 1 | NA |

3.6.2.3.3. 10-cm Depth Sediment Samples

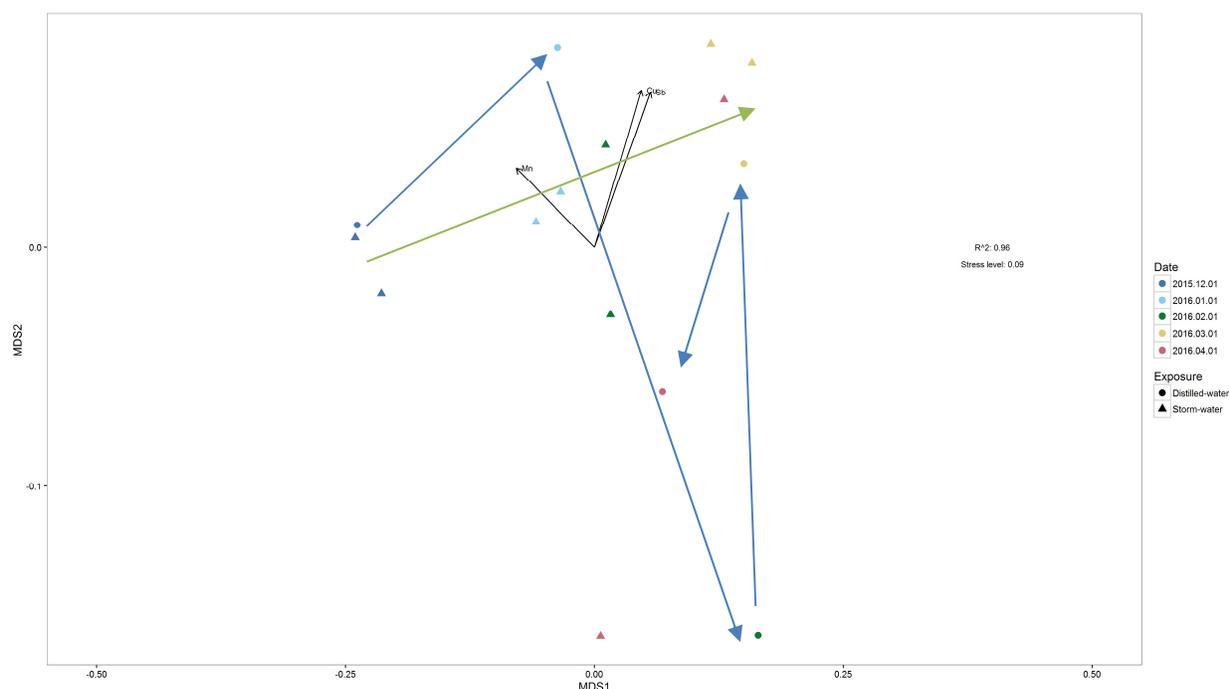


Figure 80. NMDS Plot Comparing Column Study 10-cm Depth Sediment Samples

Table 41. Adonis Whole Dataset Comparison of Laboratory Study Depth Sediment Samples by Exposure and Date

| | Df | SumsOfSqs | MeanSqs | F.Model | R2 | Pr(>F) |
|-----------|----|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|--------|
| Exposure | 1 | 0.051649735 | 0.051649735 | 1.168781611 | 0.061211356 | 0.224 |
| Date | 4 | 0.394423785 | 0.098605946 | 2.231353513 | 0.467441217 | 0.001 |
| Residuals | 9 | 0.39771982 | 0.044191091 | NA | 0.471347427 | NA |
| Total | 14 | 0.843793339 | NA | NA | 1 | NA |

3.6.2.4 Indicator Species

3.6.2.4.1 Interpretation

Indicator species were determined using Mothur for the three different sample types extracted during both the field study and the laboratory column study. In Figure 81 through Figure 83, the top indicator species are illustrated by relative abundance for the field sites. In Figure 84 through Figure 86, the top indicator species are illustrated by relative abundance for the laboratory columns that were sampled during week 16 of the column study. While significant indicator species were determined, there are no discernable patterns at the phylum level among the identified indicator species. One discernable difference was that, generally, there were a greater number of significant indicator species identified at the sites and in the columns that were not dosed with stormwater. This might suggest that some species of bacteria are

influenced by stormwater, either negatively (extinction) or positively (adaptation). Further research and repeat testing would be required in order to deduce statistics for this hypothesis, however.

3.6.2.4.2 Field Study

3.6.2.4.2.1. Water Samples

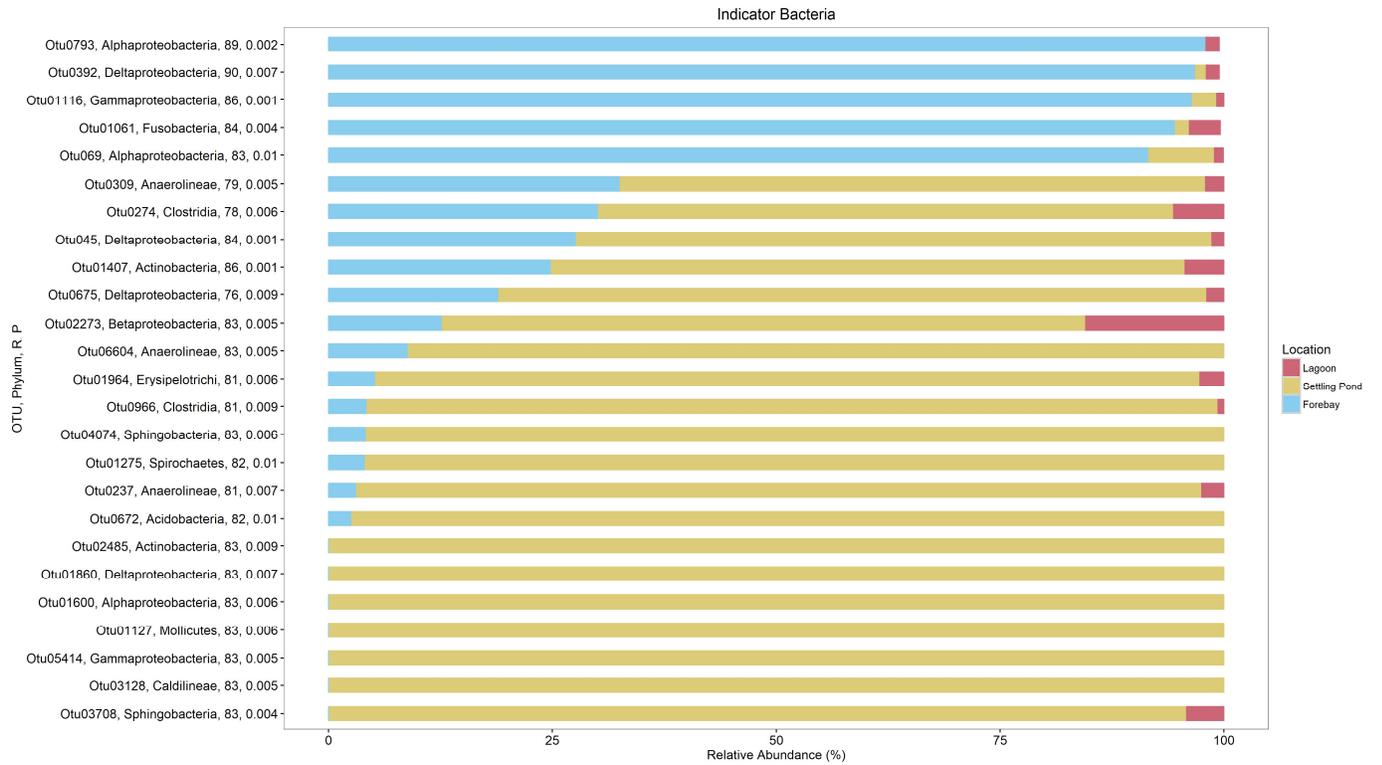


Figure 81. Indicator Species Barplot for Field Study Water Samples

3.6.2.4.2.2. Surface Sediment Samples

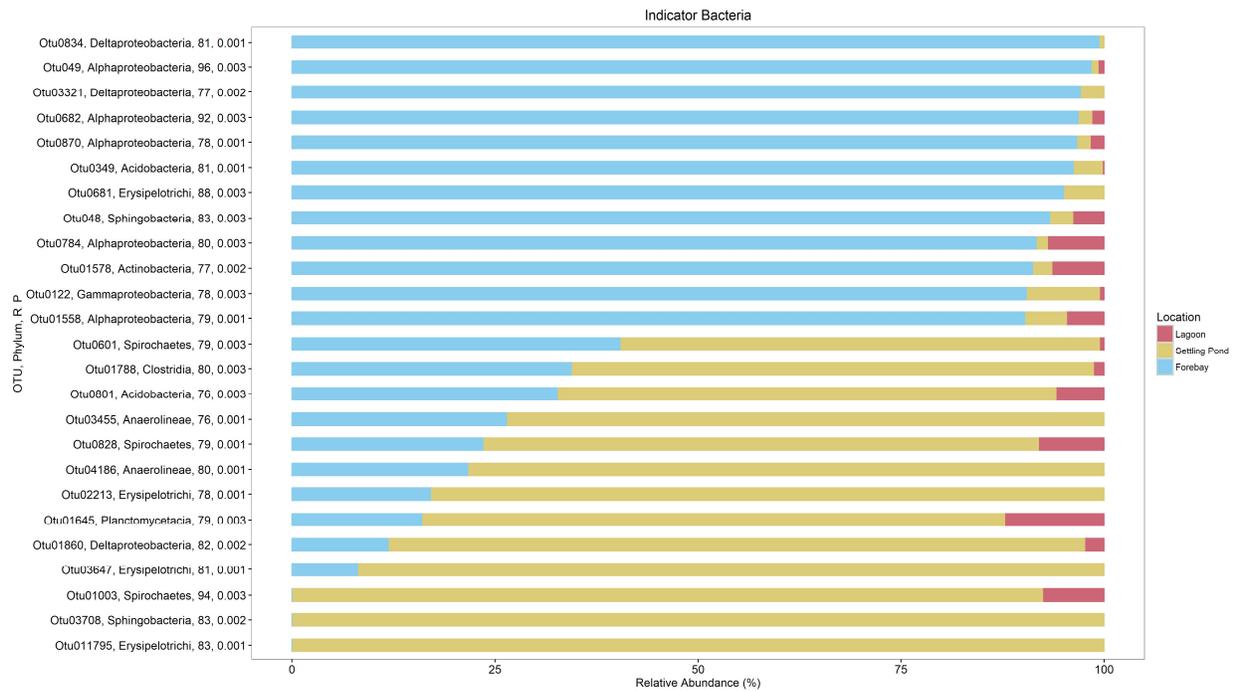


Figure 82. Indicator Species Barplot for Field Study Surface Sediment Samples

3.6.2.4.2.3. 10-cm Depth Sediment Samples

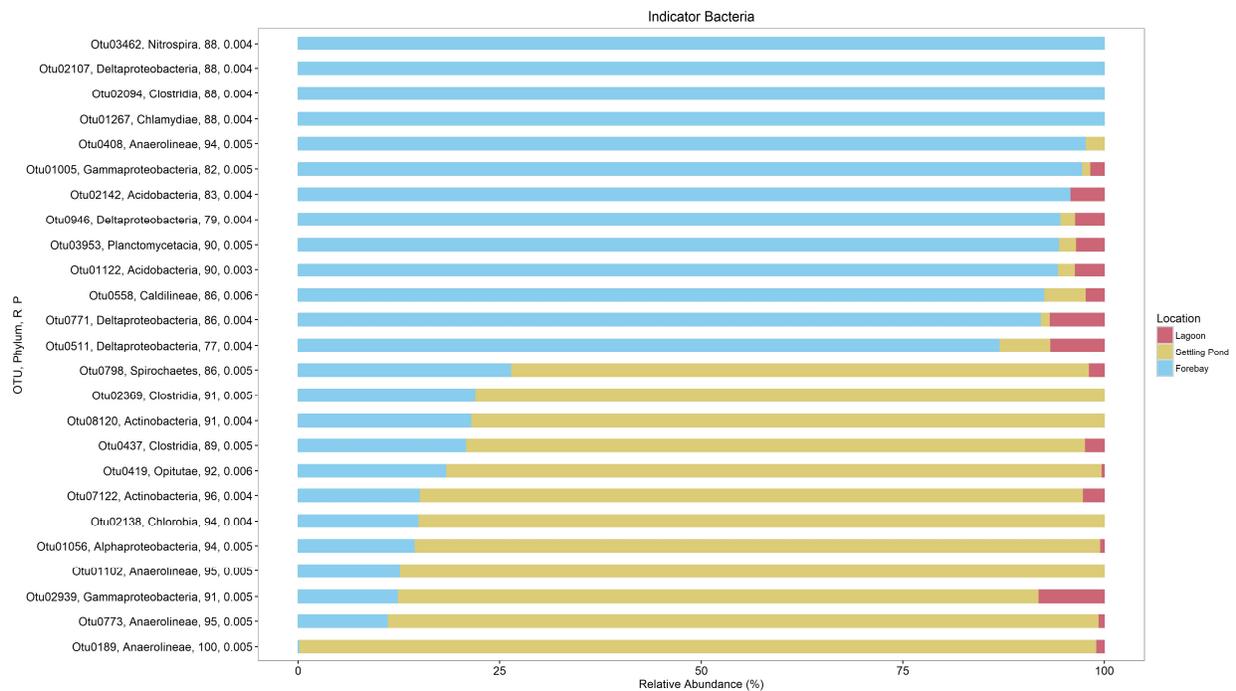


Figure 83. Indicator Species Barplot for Field Study 10-cm Depth Sediment Samples

3.6.2.4.3 Laboratory Study

3.6.2.4.3.1. Water Samples

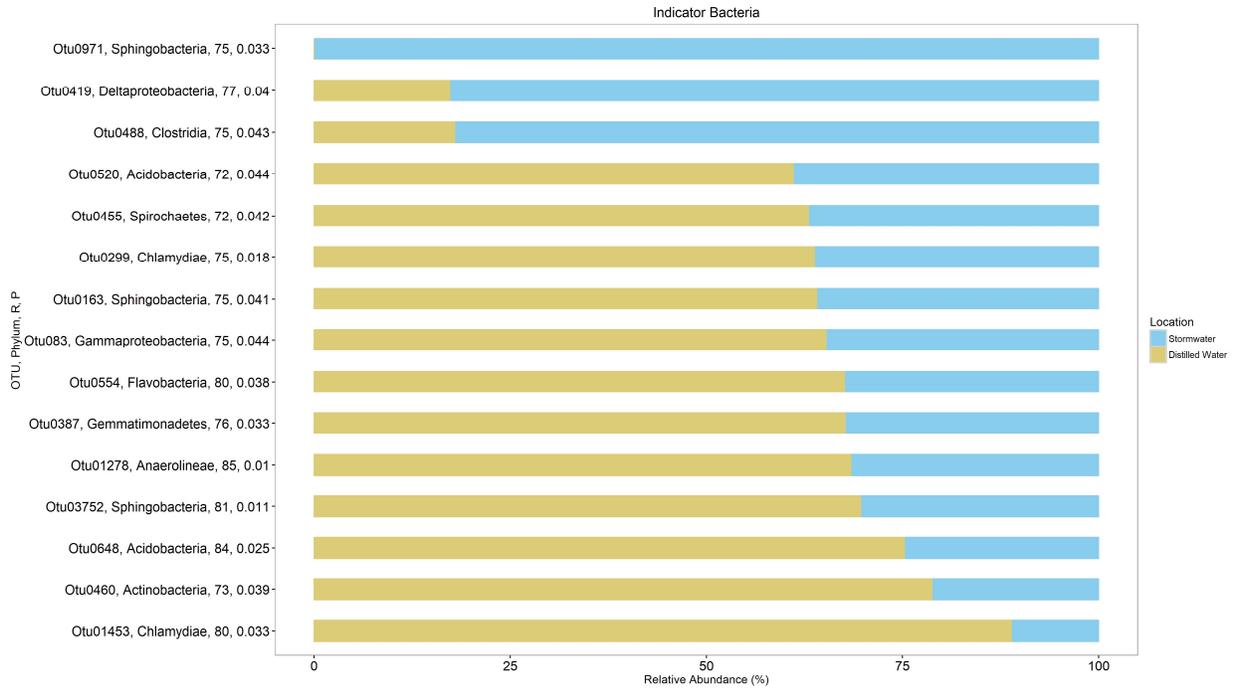


Figure 84. Indicator Species Barplot for Laboratory Study Water Sediment Samples

3.6.2.4.3.2. Surface Sediment Samples

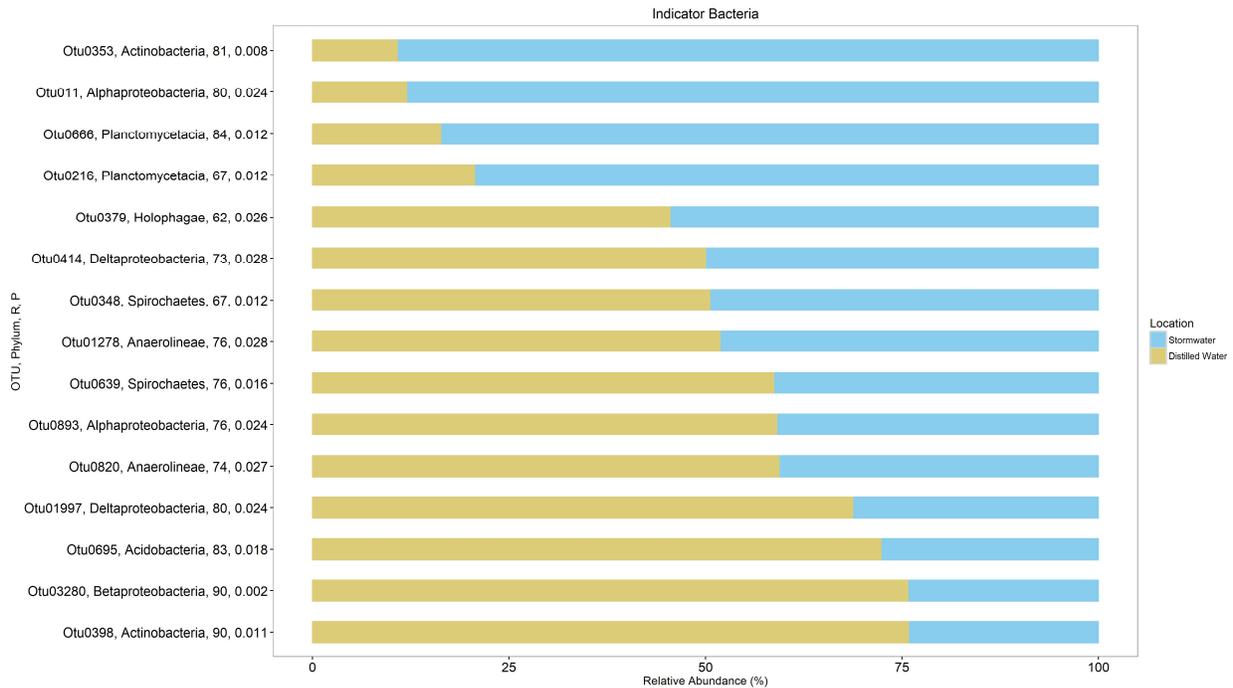


Figure 85. Indicator Species Barplot for Laboratory Study Surfaced Sediment Samples

3.6.2.4.3.3. 10-cm Depth Sediment Samples

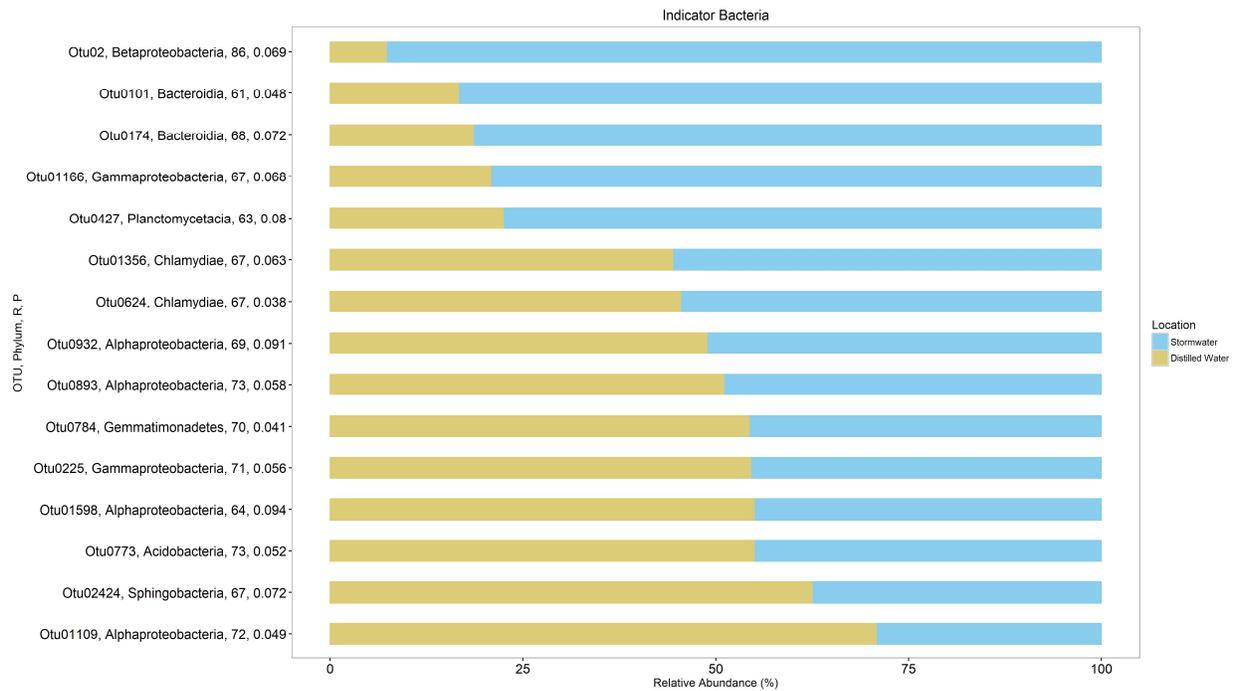


Figure 86. Indicator Species Barplot for Laboratory Study 10-cm Depth Samples

3.6.3 Microbial Functional Gene Analysis

3.6.3.1 Data Quality and Screening

Quality control removed an average of %1.80 percent of sequences and 1.79% of translated ORFs. *Table 42* and *Table 43* provide summary statistics for the quality control of sequence data.

Table 42. Summary Statistics for Sequence Data Prior to Quality Control and Screening

| | Sequences (#) | Minimum Length | Average Length | Maximum Length | Total Base Pairs | Translated ORFs (amino) (#) | Minimum Length | Average Length | Maximum Length | Total Base Pairs |
|------------------|---------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|------------------|-----------------------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|------------------|
| October Site 2 | 1112254 | 61 | 109 | 2172 | 122159553 | 1032935 | 18 | 34 | 523 | 36034670 |
| October Site 3 | 874221 | 61 | 107 | 1606 | 93989112 | 824868 | 18 | 34 | 460 | 28107007 |
| October Site 4 | 862982 | 61 | 106 | 11286 | 91791432 | 801450 | 18 | 33 | 917 | 27091806 |
| October Site 5 | 3313614 | 61 | 103 | 13962 | 344045197 | 3128608 | 15 | 32 | 1434 | 102697812 |
| October Site 6 | 1367387 | 61 | 104 | 5548 | 142795471 | 1057221 | 15 | 33 | 805 | 35373718 |
| September Site 2 | 795230 | 61 | 110 | 6160 | 881879676 | 739436 | 18 | 35 | 598 | 26103686 |
| Column 1 | 886693 | 61 | 110 | 2208 | 98099327 | 832115 | 16 | 35 | 528 | 29327503 |
| Column 7 | 1010237 | 61 | 111 | 1843 | 99794400 | 949845 | 17 | 35 | 511 | 33618691 |
| Column 8 | 792921 | 61 | 108 | 1467 | 86045364 | 731896 | 18 | 34 | 377 | 25359107 |
| Column 5 | 733631 | 61 | 145 | 27254 | 107065610 | 704410 | 18 | 45 | 1114 | 31937114 |
| Column 15 | 1068593 | 61 | 165 | 16241 | 177132959 | 1026190 | 17 | 50 | 2197 | 51854855 |
| Column 16 | 967645 | 61 | 147 | 12007 | 142540522 | 927311 | 18 | 45 | 1237 | 42313345 |

Table 43. Summary Statistics for Sequence Data After Quality Control and Screening

| | Sequences (#) | Minimum Length | Average Length | Maximum Length | Total Base Pairs | Translated ORFs (amino) (#) | Minimum Length | Average Length | Maximum Length | Total Base Pairs |
|------------------|---------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|------------------|-----------------------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|------------------|
| October Site 2 | 1093496 | 70 | 110 | 2172 | 120966323 | 1032935 | 20 | 34 | 523 | 35458633 |
| October Site 3 | 868657 | 70 | 107 | 1606 | 93627335 | 808769 | 20 | 34 | 460 | 27628016 |
| October Site 4 | 849512 | 70 | 107 | 11286 | 90924595 | 784604 | 20 | 33 | 917 | 26593745 |
| October Site 5 | 3309767 | 70 | 103 | 13962 | 343209220 | 3071139 | 20 | 32 | 1434 | 100954728 |
| October Site 6 | 1284648 | 70 | 107 | 5548 | 137559094 | 1029315 | 20 | 33 | 805 | 34575323 |
| September Site 2 | 778822 | 70 | 111 | 6160 | 87149331 | 724319 | 20 | 35 | 598 | 25658071 |
| Column 1 | 874291 | 70 | 111 | 2208 | 97300822 | 813273 | 20 | 35 | 528 | 28758224 |
| Column 7 | 997944 | 70 | 111 | 1843 | 111616320 | 929628 | 20 | 35 | 511 | 33007909 |
| Column 8 | 777275 | 70 | 109 | 1467 | 85048533 | 715807 | 20 | 34 | 377 | 24879426 |
| Column 5 | 723742 | 70 | 146 | 27254 | 106382831 | 693944 | 20 | 45 | 1114 | 31617064 |
| Column 15 | 1045794 | 70 | 167 | 16241 | 175054974 | 1011977 | 20 | 50 | 2197 | 51425082 |
| Column 16 | 953961 | 70 | 148 | 12007 | 141415083 | 914016 | 20 | 45 | 1237 | 41908807 |

3.6.3.2 Functional Gene Composition

3.6.3.2.1 Interpretation

To visualize the composition of annotated genes using the KEGG database, NMDS plots were prepared in the same fashion as was performed for visualization of bacterial communities except this time using the relative abundance of annotated genes for the samples instead of the abundance of OTUs.

Figure 87 is an NMDS plot for the metagenomes sequenced from a subset of sediment samples collected during the field study at the Lost Lagoon wetland. From Figure 87, based on the relative distance between samples, there is some indication that samples taken at the same location but a month apart have more similar metagenomes than samples that are taken on the same date but in different locations. There is also some evidence that Site 2, Site 3, and Site 4 (wetland forebay) have greater similarity to each other than they do to Site 5 (wetland settling pond) or Site 6 (Lost Lagoon). The dataset provides some interesting proof of concept results, though there are too few data points to form definitive conclusions.

Likewise, Figure 88 is an NMDS plot for the metagenomes sequenced from sediment samples collected at the beginning and at the end of the column study. From Figure 88, there is some evidence that after sixteen

weeks, the soil columns that were dosed with stormwater formed a separate cluster from the soil column that was dosed with distilled water. As with the field study, the dataset provides some interesting proof of concept for the utility of metagenomics in monitoring stormwater treatment but more data would be needed to strengthen preliminary findings

3.6.3.2.2 Figures

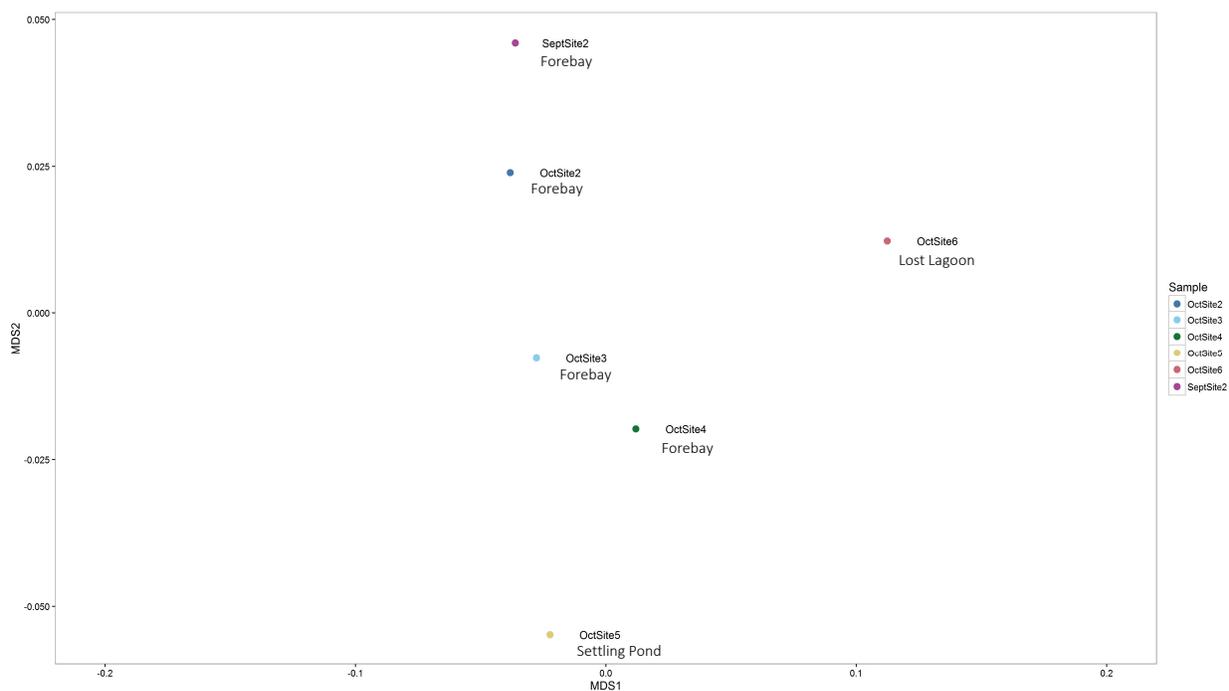


Figure 87. NMDS Plot of KEGG Annotated Genes for Field Samples

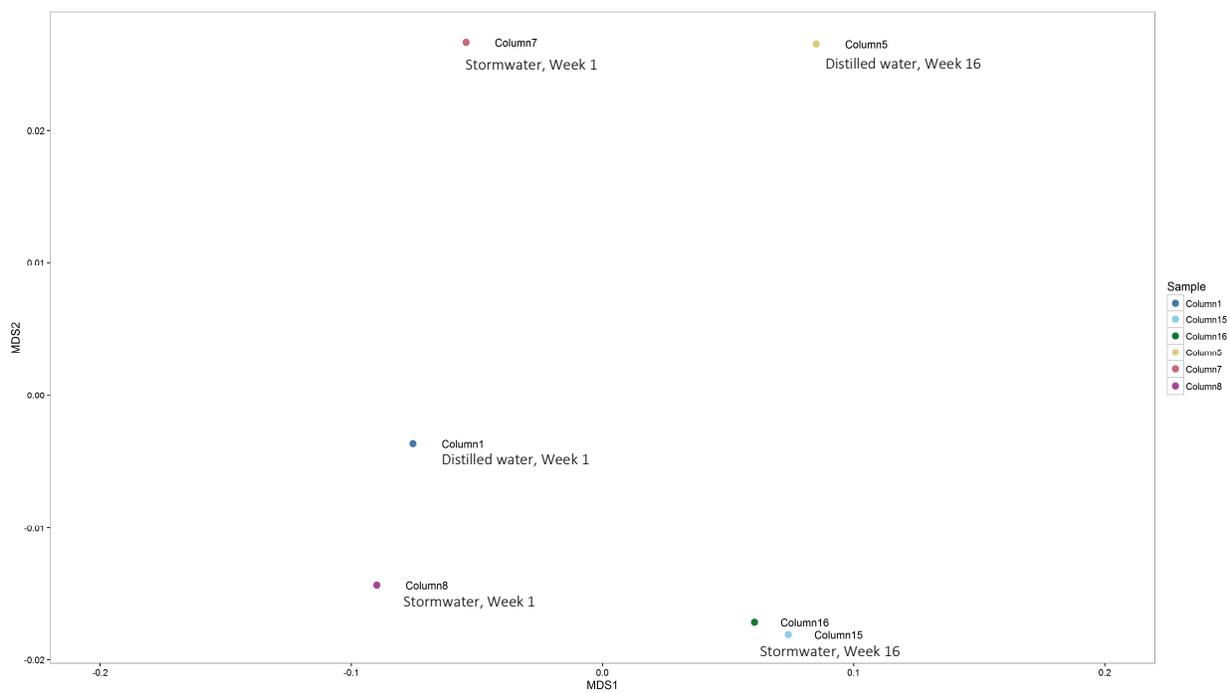


Figure 88. NMDS Plot of KEGG Annotated Genes for Column Samples

3.6.3.3 Metal Adaptation Genes

3.6.3.3.1 Interpretation

Genes, which are known to be partially responsible for metal adaptation, (*Table 19*) were highlighted from the dataset and plotted based on their relative abundance. It was the desire of the author to compare mechanisms for tolerance of copper, lead and zinc in this section as these three metals showed clear trends of decreasing concentrations along the length of the Lost Lagoon wetland. However, few markers for copper and no markers for lead adaptations were present in the KEGG database from 2014. The one marker that was present in the dataset for copper (CusR) did not form an identifiable trend among samples taken during the field study or among samples taken during the column study. For these reasons, comparisons were instead performed using markers for zinc, manganese/zinc/iron, and cobalt/nickel tolerances.

Figure 89 is a plot which illustrates the relative abundance of six genes that are relevant for zinc transport or resistance. The comparison is complicated because the genes do not all present the same trend. For example, the *znuB* gene has a downward trend between the wetland exit and entry; however, the *zraP* gene has an upward trend between the wetland exit and entry. The relative abundances of *znuB* is greater than the relative abundance of the other genes in this subset and this suggests that this gene may be more dominant in zinc transport than some of the others, though this is not conclusive. Of interest, in Figure 90, the *znuB* gene also has a greater relative abundance in the soil columns that were dosed with stormwater than in the soil columns that were dosed with distilled water. For this initial investigation, this suggests that *znuB* may be an important factor in zinc tolerance and that this could be an item for further investigation.

A similar result, as was just described, is illustrated in Figure 91 for four genes associated with manganese/zinc/iron transport. In this figure, the two genes with the highest relative abundances (*troB* and *sitB*) have higher relative abundances in the wetland entry than in the wetland exit. However unlike in the previous example for zinc, the results for the column study, illustrated in Figure 92, do not present the same result. This adds to the complexity of the observations and illustrates that there are many influential factors at play.

Finally, in Figure 93 and Figure 94, the relative abundances of the *czcA* sequence, which codes for cobalt and nickel resistance proteins (Gillan et al 2015), are compared for the field and column studies, respectively. *CzcA* expressed both a clear decrease in relative abundance along the length of the wetland and clear increase in relative abundance in soil columns that were dosed with stormwater compared to soil columns that were dosed with distilled water. Like *znuB*, *CzcA* also represents an item that may be useful for further investigation.

3.6.3.3.2 Figures

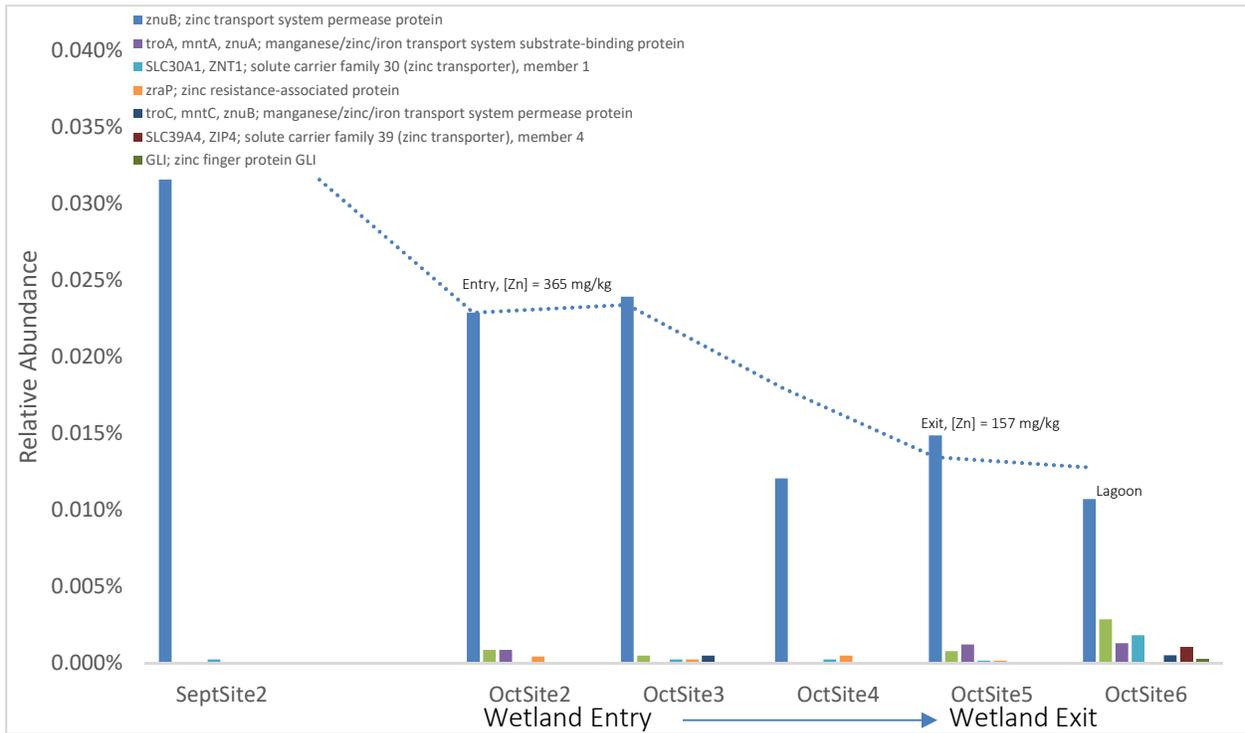


Figure 89. Relative Abundance of Genes Associated with Zinc Measured in Field Samples

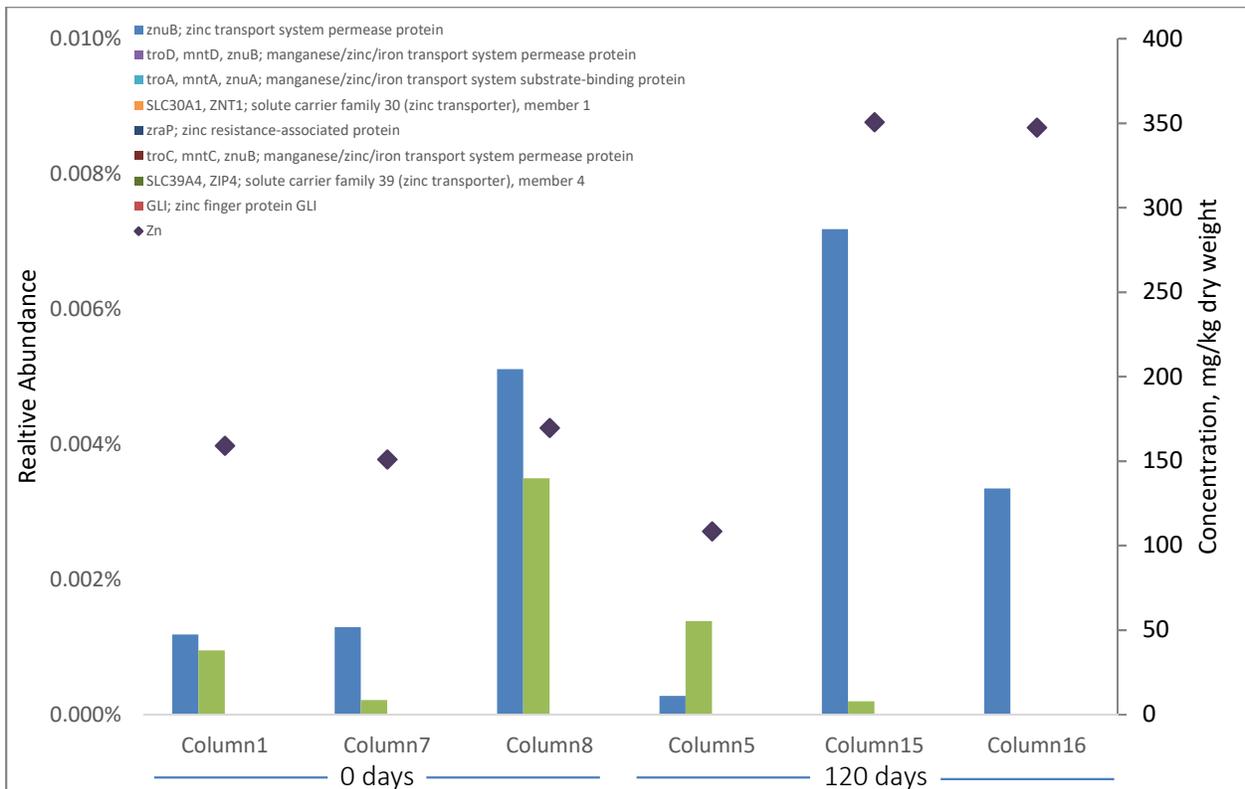


Figure 90. Relative Abundance of Genes Associated with Zinc Measured in Column Samples

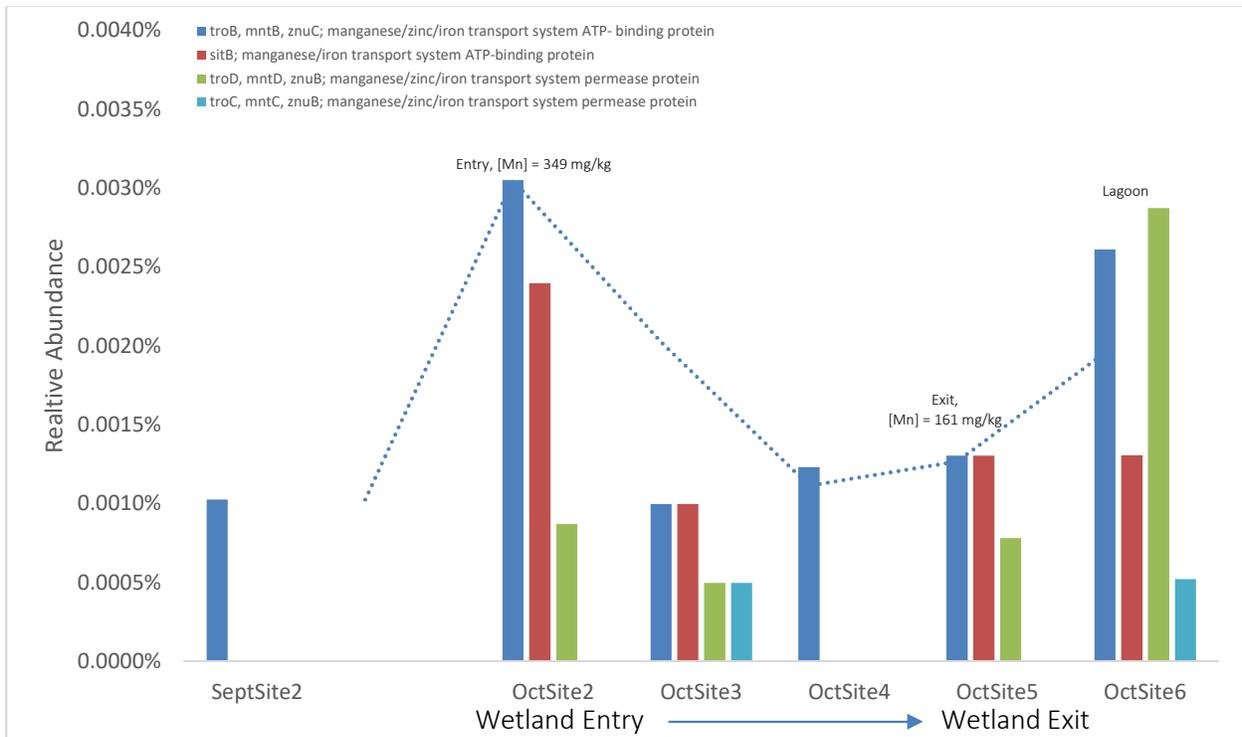


Figure 91. Relative Abundance of Functional Associated with Manganese, Zinc and Iron Measured in Field Samples

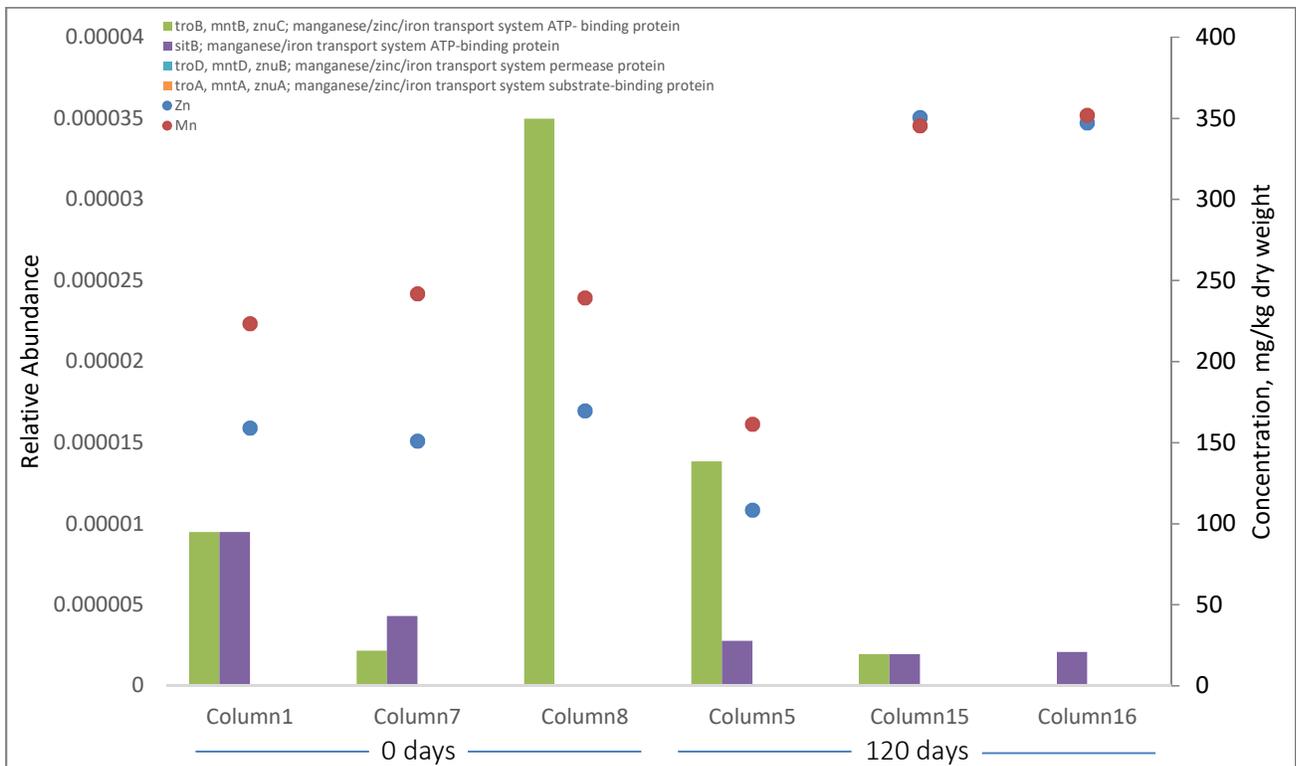


Figure 92. Relative Abundance of Genes Associated with Manganese, Zinc and Iron Measured in Column Samples

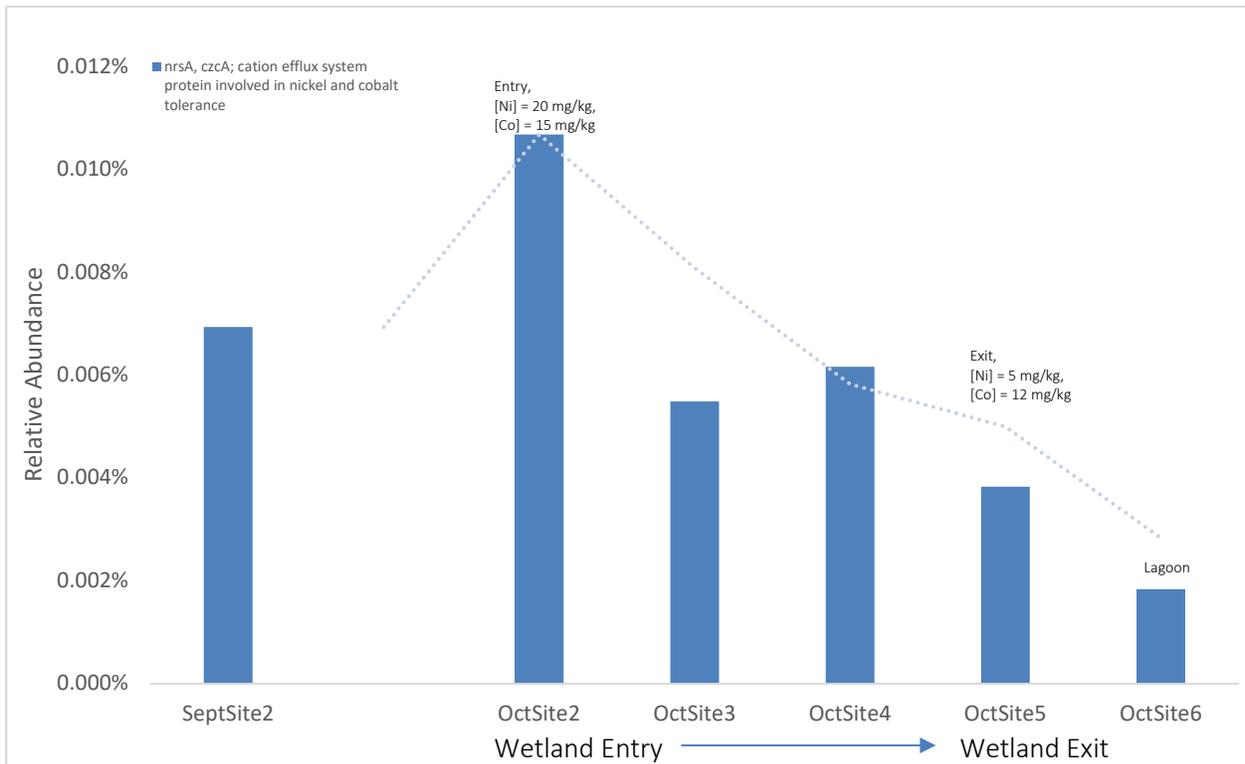


Figure 93. Relative Abundance of CzcA Tolerance Gene Measured in Field Samples

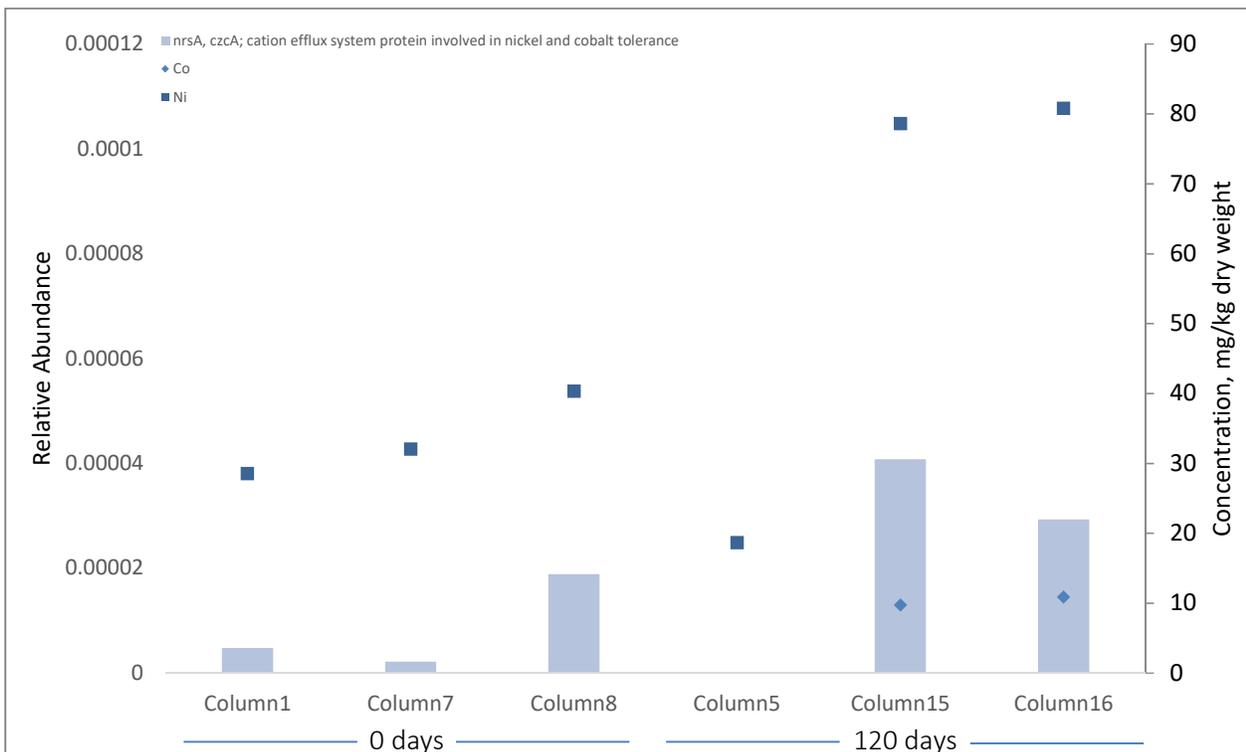


Figure 94. Relative Abundance of CzcA Tolerance Gene Measured in Column Samples

3.7 Discussion and Conclusion

While the goal of this study was to provide proof of concept data that supports or rejects developing a genomics monitoring tool for low impact design features that treat stormwater, including engineered wetlands, the goal of Chapter 2 was to expand on the results of Chapter 1 by applying genomics-based approaches to support the conclusion that the Lost Lagoon wetland is effectively treating stormwater. In addition, this chapter attempted to provide data to support the application of genomics for validation of other low impact design sites that treat stormwater. In this chapter experimentation was conducted and data was gathered and analyzed to provide proof that microbial analyses can support environmental analyses for the validation of a stormwater treatment wetland and possibly other similar systems. For this, an attempt was made to answer three hypotheses and to support three objectives.

3.7.1 Chapter Hypotheses

To provide proof of concept results for the application of genomics-based analyses as a wetland validation technique, it was previously stated that three hypotheses must be true.

1. There is a shift in the composition and function of the microbial communities that exist between the entry and exit of the Lost Lagoon wetland;
2. The shift in the composition and function of the microbial communities between the entry and exit of the Lost Lagoon wetland is influenced by the decreasing concentration of contaminants along the length of the wetland; and
3. There are similarities across unconnected sites in the adaptations that take place within microbial communities due to exposure to stormwater.

Regarding the first hypothesis, demonstrating a shift in the composition and function of microbial communities along the Lost Lagoon wetland, some important conclusions can be drawn. There was a significant difference in microbial community composition calculated between the wetland entry and exit for the surface sediment samples and for the 10-cm depth sediment samples but no significant difference was calculated for community composition between the water samples taken at the wetland entry and exit. Comparison of community diversity between the wetland entry and exit did not yield significant differences. However, a greater number of indicator species were identified at the wetland exit than at the wetland entry, suggesting that future analyses at a greater depth could focus on this element of the current study. For the proof of concept stage of analysis, the overall community composition comparisons suggest that long term trends are of greater importance for wetland validation and that further research could focus on sediment testing only.

Relating to functional genes for the first hypothesis, data was only obtained for a small subset of sediment samples collected during the field study and thus, final conclusions could not be drawn at the time of writing. Initial results suggest that there was some clustering of metagenomes based on the location where samples were collected in the wetland and that the date in which samples were collected was less important than the location in which samples were collected. These observations fit positively with the hypothesis that there is a shift in functional genes between the wetland entry and exit; however further investigation is required for validation of this hypothesis.

Regarding the second hypothesis, correlating contaminants with microbial communities and functions, additional conclusions can be drawn. Some significant correlations were determined between the wetland entry and exit. However, challenges remain where metal concentrations are only slightly higher than detection limit concentrations using ICP-OES analysis. Copper, nickel, and chromium displayed the strongest correlations with the microbial communities (p -values < 0.05) between the wetland entry and wetland exit. Likewise, some functional gene sequences that are known to code for metal tolerances had higher relative abundances in samples that were measured to have higher metal concentrations. For example, this was evident for both the *znuB* gene, which codes for zinc resistance and the *czcA* gene, which codes for nickel/cobalt resistance. That being stated, there were great complexities among the functional genes data and it is important to evaluate the dataset as a greater whole before conclusions can be drawn.

Finally, regarding the third hypothesis, determining if exposure to stormwater will shift the microbial communities at an unconnected site, unique and interesting conclusions can be drawn. For the community bacteria compositions, no significant changes in microbial diversity were determined. However, for the water samples and surface sediment samples, there was a clear departure between the microbial communities in the sediment columns that were dosed with stormwater and the microbial communities that were dosed with distilled water. This trend was not evident in the 10-cm depth sediment samples, however. As with the wetland field study, there were also a greater number of indicator species identified in sediment columns that were dosed with distilled water over sediment columns that were dosed with stormwater.

Interestingly, some similarities were present between the field and column study for functional genes. The *znuB* gene and the *czcA* gene both had higher relative abundances after sixteen weeks in the columns that were dosed with stormwater versus the column that was dosed with distilled water. However, the same result between the laboratory and field studies was not evident for genes associated with zinc/manganese/iron, thus observations are not conclusive and further exploration of the data and

experimentation is required. Metal resistance is regulated by a wide host of cellular functions and because the data output is so large, challenges arise in identifying the factors that have the greatest influence.

3.7.2 Chapter Objectives

To support the goal of this study, to provide proof of concept data that supports or rejects developing a genomics-based monitoring tool for low impact design features that treat stormwater, including engineered wetlands, three objectives were previously stated for this chapter:

1. Apply genomics-based analysis methods to determine if there are shifts in the microbial communities and functional genes along the length of the Lost Lagoon wetland;
2. Determine if there is a correlation between the water and sediment quality, present over the study period, and the microbial communities and functional genes observed; and
3. Determine, through laboratory experimentation, if there are opportunities to expand and pursue genomics analyses at other low impact design features for stormwater treatment.

Comparing the results of the hypotheses tests in this chapter serves to support the first objective, (i.e. determining if microbial shifts exist along the length of the Lost Lagoon wetland). While diversity and indicator species did not prove to be significant measures for comparison, microbial community composition presented clear shifts between the wetland entry and wetland exit, as was confirmed using common statistical techniques in microbiology, including the Adonis test in the R vegan package. Comparison of the metagenomes presented similar results and helped to confirm that there is a change in the microbial community between the entry and exit of the wetland.

For the second objective, determining if correlations exist between sample quality and bacteria, some important conclusions were drawn; however, this objective could, perhaps, be taken further with future research. Using the envfit statistic in the R vegan package, some significant correlations were calculated between metal concentrations and microbial communities but the noise present in the data presents challenges for validating conclusions. Similar results were observed for functional genes responsible for metal tolerances. Sequences that were present in greater relative abundances, such as *znuB* and *czcA* were illustrated to demonstrate some correlation with metal concentrations; however, this result was complicated by a wide array of additional sequences that may play a part in metal tolerance but are not present in a high enough quantity to be measurable or comparable.

For the third and final objective in this chapter, performing laboratory experiments to determine if there may be opportunities to perform genomics analyses at other sites, the research presented here suggests that stormwater influences bacteria and that this may be exploited for treatment monitoring purposes.

Specifically, in the column study, the departure over time, of the microbial communities in the sediment columns that were dosed with stormwater from the sediment columns that were dosed with stormwater, suggests that there is causation between stormwater contamination and the composition of microbial communities. In addition, some similar results between the field and column studies, for dominant metal resistance genes, present promise for future research.

3.7.3 Final Remarks

The work described in this chapter effectively provided data to inform the three hypotheses that were laid out in this chapter and this also supported the three objectives described here. In doing so, this chapter has provided some interesting proof of concept for the application of genomics analyses for stormwater treatment monitoring purposes, particularly for engineered wetlands. As time continues, the expansion of datasets for bacterial species and gene annotation will improve the quality of future data comparisons, only adding to the interest in this field of research. This will be particularly valuable for metals that are toxic in low concentrations and for metals that do not have strong documentation for bacterial tolerances.

3.8 Limitations

Limitations for the environmental sampling in the Lost Lagoon wetland were described in Chapter 1 and similar limitations were present throughout the methodology described in Chapter 2. The limitations experienced here were mainly due to budget constraints that limited the number of unique samples that could be sequenced and analyzed. This was true for both the community analyses and functional gene analyses. Conclusions presented in this chapter are only true for the study presented here; they are not universal for wetland treatment systems. Further research at other stormwater treatment wetlands is required to validate the application of genomics as a viable treatment monitoring method. In addition, the suggestion of causation between stormwater contamination and microbial communities demonstrated in the laboratory column study requires repetition of the column study in its entirety before conclusions can be drawn. For the proof of concept, that genomics can be used to support monitoring and validating stormwater treatment wetlands, this chapter has laid a strong foundation for future research in support of designing a more concrete monitoring tool.

4. Discussion

In Chapter 1, the results of traditional analyses techniques for monitoring and validating the efficacy of an operating stormwater treatment wetland, namely the Lost Lagoon wetland, were described. These analyses were performed to support the notion that genomics-based analyses can be applied as a tool to enhance and/or improve traditional monitoring techniques. Conclusions in Chapter 1 suggested that the uncertainty inherent to traditional monitoring for stormwater treatment may be an area where additional analyses may provide support. In Chapter 2, the results of genomics-based analyses at the Lost Lagoon wetland and a laboratory study for stormwater dosing were described. Conclusions in Chapter 2 suggest that including genomics-based analyses in stormwater treatment monitoring may provide greater certainty of treatment efficacy using a lower number of samples for analyses. Here, a cost comparison of the traditional stormwater treatment wetland validation method described by Erickson, Weiss and Gulliver (2013) is compared to the method described in Chapter 1 and Chapter 2. Theoretical costs are calculated based on both a full validation, as well as a single compliance monitoring event, using the Lost Lagoon wetland that was analyzed in this study as an example.

4.1 Cost Comparison of Wetland Validation Techniques

4.1.1 Sample Collection

For traditional stormwater treatment validation, Erickson, Weiss and Gulliver (2013) recommend the deployment of stormwater automatic samplers at the inlet and outlet pipes of the treatment wetland. Automatic samplers would be triggered during each storm event and a field technician would be required to visit the site to collect samples each time the automatic samplers were triggered. Using the Lost Lagoon wetland as an example, there are 166 storm events in Vancouver each year (Environment Canada, 2016) and thus sampling would need to occur at this frequency.

For genomics-based treatment validation, the sampling methods described in this study would be applied. Two field technicians would be required to extract samples from the wetland at two week intervals over the rain season, which is approximately 8 months in Vancouver, thus 16 sampling events would be required. *Table 44* lists the predicted labor cost for each sampling event based on a rate of \$30 per hour per technician.

Table 44. Approximate Cost Per Day for Sample Collection

| Sample Collection Labor | Cost/Day |
|-------------------------|-----------|
| Traditional | \$ 90.00 |
| Genomics | \$ 480.00 |

The cost of labor for sample collection using traditional methods is calculated to be:

$$166 \text{ storms} \times 2 \text{ years} \times \frac{\$90}{\text{storm}} = \$29,880$$

Likewise, the cost of labor for sample collection using genomics-based methods is calculated to be:

$$16 \text{ days} \times \frac{\$480}{\text{day}} = \$15,360$$

4.1.2 Laboratory Analyses

Laboratory analyses of environmental samples presents a major cost for validating stormwater treatment wetlands. *Table 45* lists the approximate cost per sample for a traditional wetland validation. *Table 46* lists the approximate cost per sample for bacterial community analysis and corresponding analysis of trace metals in soil. *Table 47* lists the approximate cost per sample for functional genes analyses with corresponding analysis of trace metals in water samples.

Table 45. Approximate Cost Per Sample for Traditional Stormwater Quality Analysis

| Traditional Analyses | |
|----------------------|-------------------|
| Element | Cost ¹ |
| pH | \$ 10.00 |
| ORP | \$ 10.00 |
| Conductivity | \$ 10.00 |
| Turbidity | \$ 10.00 |
| TSS | \$ 20.00 |
| COD | \$ 30.00 |
| TOC | \$ 30.00 |
| Oil and Grease | \$ 40.00 |
| Trace Metals Water | \$ 125.00 |
| Total | \$ 285.00 |

¹(Canadian Association for Laboratory Accreditation, 2016)

Table 46. Approximate Cost Per Sample for Genomics-Based Stormwater Quality Analysis Using Length Comparison of Bacterial Communities

| Genomics Analyses | |
|-------------------|------------------------|
| Element | Cost |
| Trace Metals Soil | \$ 150.00 ¹ |
| MiSeq | \$ 75.00 ² |
| Total | \$ 225.00 |

¹(Canadian Association for Laboratory Accreditation, 2016)

²(Microbiome Insights, 2016)

Table 47. Approximate Cost Per Sample for Genomics Stormwater Quality Analysis Using Entry and Exit Comparison of Bacterial Functional Genes

| Genomics Analyses | |
|--------------------|------------------------|
| Element | Cost |
| Trace Metals Water | \$ 125.00 ¹ |
| HiSeq | \$ 850.00 ² |
| Total | \$ 975.00 |

¹(Canadian Association for Laboratory Accreditation, 2016)

²(University of British Columbia Beatty Biodiversity Sequencing Centre, 2016)

Using the values listed in Table 44 through Table 47 the costs for traditional and genomics laboratory analyses are as follows.

Traditional:

$$166 \text{ storms} \times 3 \text{ (triplicates)} \times 2 \text{ locations} \times 2 \text{ years} \times \frac{\$285}{\text{sample}} = \$567,720$$

Genomics:

$$16 \text{ days} \times 3 \text{ (triplicates)} \times 18 \text{ locations} \times \frac{\$225}{\text{sample}} = \$194,400$$

$$16 \text{ days} \times 3 \text{ (triplicates)} \times 2 \text{ locations} \times \frac{\$975}{\text{sample}} = \$93,600$$

$$\text{Total} = \$194,400 + \$93,600 = \$288,000$$

4.1.3 Total Cost of Data Acquisition

By summing the cost of sample collection and laboratory analyses, an estimate for the cost of data acquisition for both a traditional and a genomics-based wetland validation is calculated.

Traditional:

$$\text{Total} = \$567,720 + \$29,880 = \$597,600$$

Genomics:

$$\text{Total} = \$288,000 + \$15,360 = \$303,360$$

Only the cost for sample collection and laboratory analyses were included in the cost estimate because these two factors were deemed to be the items of greatest significance. The cost of sampling equipment would be relatively small compared to the cost of laboratory analyses, for example. This cost estimate suggests that the genomics-based method described in this study may represent a lower cost option for data acquisition for validating stormwater treatment wetlands than traditional techniques. The cost and time for data analysis and reporting is also a major item but is not included here.

4.2 Cost Comparison of a Single Wetland Monitoring Event

The results expressed in the previous section represent total cost figures for a full wetland validation study but it is expected that this level of effort would not be expended by a municipality that is operating a stormwater treatment wetland. From an engineering perspective, monitoring tends to only be performed on one date annually or even less frequently (Chris Johnston, personal communication). This is because regulatory agencies typically do not require performance monitoring for stormwater treatment systems for road runoff, even though contaminant concentrations may be greater than effluent guidelines. Single point in time monitoring events often provide inconclusive results, which can be a barrier for the installation of engineered wetlands. This was described further in Chapter 1. Strengthening the quality of single event monitoring data may be beneficial in the face of increasing regulatory requirements and a will among municipalities to implement low impact design features, such as engineered stormwater treatment wetlands.

Thus, using the Lost Lagoon wetland as an example, if a municipality only monitored the performance of the wetland on one day, the monitoring regime would be quite limited. Based on past single point in time monitoring including that of Hemmera (2013) and Thoren et al (2007), the traditional single monitoring event would theoretically include sampling approximately nine soil and water samples from the entry and exit of the wetland followed by metal analyses performed in duplicate. This would represent a cost of:

$$\frac{\$275}{\text{sample}} \times 9 \text{ Locations} \times 2 \text{ Sites} \times 2 \text{ (duplicate)} [\text{analyses}] + \$480 [\text{collection}] = \$9,900$$

If that same single monitoring event also included genomics-based analyses with nine locations selected for 16s bacterial community analysis and three locations selected for metagenome analysis, the cost increase would be:

$$\left(\frac{\$75}{\text{sample}} \times 9 \text{ Locations} \times 2 \text{ Sites} \times 2 \text{ (duplicate)} + \$850 \times 3 \text{ Locations} \times 2 \text{ Sites} \right) [\text{analyses}] + \$480 [\text{collection}] = \$7,800$$

While this represents a greater cost to acquire data, the added benefit for confidence in results may be worth the expense. In addition, as methods and scientific understanding of genetic data processing increases in the future, it may one day be possible to drop the sample size or to exclude some of the metal analyses entirely. Thus, for future monitoring efforts, there is a significant financial opportunity for genomics-based methods to outcompete traditional methods for stormwater treatment monitoring, particularly for low impact design systems where microbiota influence treatment performance.

5. Conclusion

The goal of this study was to provide proof of concept data to inform the development of a genomics-based tool for monitoring stormwater treatment wetlands. In the introduction, the motivation for improving wetland monitoring techniques was described and the Lost Lagoon wetland was illustrated as an ideal location to perform a case study. In Chapter 1, background details on stormwater contaminants, stormwater treatment wetlands and the Lost Lagoon wetland were outlined. Results of traditional monitoring were prepared and conclusions illustrated that there are shortcomings present with the status quo for traditional wetland monitoring. In Chapter 2, genomics-based methods were introduced as an additional technique for monitoring stormwater treatment wetlands. Results from DNA sequencing were compared using water and sediment samples extracted from the Lost Lagoon wetland and several outcomes suggested that bacteria may correlate with the performance of treatment wetlands. This was generally supported further using results from samples extracted during a stormwater dosing study using columns of soil sourced from the Stanley Park bog in Vancouver, British Columbia.

The discussion immediately before this section provided a brief cost comparison of traditional validation and monitoring and genomics-based validation and monitoring. This cost comparison highlighted that an full wetland validation study may be less expensive using genomics and that a single point in time wetland monitoring event may be more expensive using genomics, though the improvement on data and confidence in results could be worth the cost increase. In addition to providing proof of concept data and cost analyses, this study also included method development which should serve to refine future genomics-based studies for stormwater treatment wetlands and other low impact design features. Specifically, it was found that sediment sampling provided the greatest promise when attempting to discern long-term stormwater treatment trends in both the field wetland study and in the laboratory stormwater dosing study.

Within the limits of graduate studies research, this study achieved its goal. Proof of concept, for the application of genomics-based monitoring of stormwater treatment wetlands, was provided. It was demonstrated that genomics will supply benefits for future stormwater treatment monitoring endeavours and that additional investigation into this field is worthwhile.

6. Recommendations

6.1 Follow-On Research

This study provided useful proof of concept results and preliminary conclusions. However, there are several facets which were not in the scope of this research project and could be continued with further. These include:

- Measuring the quality of stormwater that enters and exits the Lost Lagoon wetland, through installation of an automatic sampler;
- Performing a validation on the sizing of the Lost Lagoon wetland forebay based on flow velocities;
- Performing more in depth analyses of other pollutants, including petrochemicals, exiting the Stanley Park Causeway and the analyzing the impact of these other pollutants on bacteria;
- Statistically correlating indicator species with metal concentrations;
- Statistically correlating known metal resistance genes with metal concentrations;
- Sequencing a larger number of metagenomes to increase the confidence in this study's findings;
- Repeating the metagenome analyses using an updated and more widely accepted annotation tool, such as the MG-RAST server;
- Performing some additional statistical analyses, as outlined by the independent review of this project included in Appendix K;
- Repeating the field study at additional stormwater treatment wetlands of similar and different configurations and comparing the findings with the results illustrated here;
- Repeating the column study using the same controls and comparing the findings with the results illustrated here;
- Repeating the column study using modified controls and comparing the findings with the results illustrated here; and
- Modifying the approach applied here for application at other low impact design sites such as retention ponds, absorbent landscapes, and swales, among others.

Based on these facets that were outside the scope of this research project, there are several follow-on recommendations. First, at the time of publication, the twelve metagenomes, which were analyzed in this thesis, had been submitted to the MG-RAST server for gene annotation. Analysis of these results will be used to inform the articles (listed in the Preface to this thesis), which are currently in preparation and will be submitted for publication. After this analysis is confirmed and finalized, the main follow-on recommendation resulting from the present study is to repeat the sampling and analysis methodology at

additional stormwater treatment wetlands. Ideally, a follow-on study would perform the methodology recommended here at two or more additional sites – one with similar structure to that of the Lost Lagoon wetland and one with an alternate structure. Following this, results could be compared between wetlands and more significant conclusions could be drawn as to the validity in applying genomics as a monitoring tool for engineered wetlands.

6.2 Application and Improvements of Study Methodology

The research presented here provided a broad analysis of data using several sample mediums. Based on outcomes described in Chapter 1 and Chapter 2, for follow-on phase applications of this research, some optimum choices for the sampling and analyses methodology include:

- During the rainy season, collect field samples at either two or four week intervals for at least four months but preferably eight months if time and budgets permit;
- Collect and analyze samples at the inlet and outlet of each wetland instead of along the entire length of each wetland;
- Follow the environmental sampling protocols described in Chapter 1 for both sediment and water samples but analyze all samples for environmental parameters in triplicate instead of in duplicate;
- Perform DNA analyses on surface sediment samples only;
- To reduce the overall number of samples in the que for DNA sequencing, homogenize surface sediment samples across the entire wetland entry and entire wetland exit for each date sampled instead of on a 1 m plot basis for each date sampled; and
- Follow the sequencing and bioinformatics methodologies described in Chapter 2 for both 16s and metagenome analyses but also consider modifying these techniques as new improvements become available.

Taken together, these improvements should allow for a more streamlined comparison of the treatment efficacy within each wetland and between different wetlands for future applications of the tool described within this document.

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Appendix A: Acid Digestion Procedure for Water and Sediment Samples

Acid digestion of sludge and manure for metals on ICP

This method is based on United States Environmental Protection Agency method 3050B. The method is not a total digestion technique. It is a very strong acid digestion that will dissolve almost all elements that could become environmentally available. Elements bound in silicate structures are not normally dissolved by this procedure.

This procedure uses very strong acid and peroxide. These chemicals are highly corrosive and can cause severe burns. Wear a splash shield, lab coat and rubber apron and gloves when handling them.

Equipment:

- BD-46 block digester – set at 140°C, which will give a tube temperature of 95°C
- Digestion tubes
- Cold fingers

Reagents:

- Concentrated nitric acid
- Concentrated hydrochloric acid
- 30% hydrogen peroxide
- Aqua regia – 1:3 volume ratio of hydrochloric acid and nitric acid

Procedure:

1. Put 5 mL of sample into a digestion tube 1
2. Add 5 mL of aqua regia or use a 1:1 volume ratio of nitric acid and hydrochloric acid 2
3. Add 1 mL of 30% hydrogen peroxide 3
4. Place a cold finger on the top of the tube
5. Heat at 95°C for two hours in the block digester
6. Cool and make the volume up to 50 mL with deionized water
7. Filter through a hardened fast filter such as Whatman 54 or equivalent
8. Transfer to the appropriate autosampler test tubes
9. Run on the AA or the ICP

Digest a blank along with the samples.

Standards should be made up in a matrix to match the samples (10% aqua regia or 1:1 volume ratio of hydrochloric acid and nitric acid). If performing trace metal analysis, use trace level concentrated acids.

If a brown gas appears (NO_2) during the digestion, then the digestion is not complete. Add more nitric acid in 1 mL increments to each tube until it disappears.]

1. If using this procedure for soils, weigh out 0.10 g of dry sample
2. A 1:1 volume mixture of nitric acid and hydrochloric acid is easier to work with
3. Do not add 30% hydrogen peroxide if there is little organics in the sample

Appendix B: Historic Water and Sediment Quality Data for the Lost Lagoon Wetland

Appendix A



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| Analyte | | Units | NWL Number | 524772-1 | 524772-2 | 524772-3 | Detection Limit |
|---------------------|--------------------|-------|--------------------|------------|------------|------------|-----------------|
| | | | Sample Description | Carex - 1A | Carex - 1B | Carex - 1C | |
| | | | Matrix | Tissue | Tissue | Tissue | |
| Metals Total | | | | | | | |
| Aluminum | Total (dry weight) | ug/g | | 1340 | 1210 | 1500 | 1 |
| Antimony | Total (dry weight) | ug/g | | 6.65 | 12.0 | 4.4 | 0.5 |
| Arsenic | Total (dry weight) | ug/g | | 16.9 | 1.7 | 1.1 | 0.2 |
| Barium | Total (dry weight) | ug/g | | 78.6 | 54.9 | 40.1 | 0.03 |
| Beryllium | Total (dry weight) | ug/g | | 0.04 | 0.095 | 0.050 | 0.01 |
| Bismuth | Total (dry weight) | ug/g | | <0.5 | 1.2 | <0.5 | 0.5 |
| Cadmium | Total (dry weight) | ug/g | | 1.0 | 1.2 | 1.1 | 0.05 |
| Calcium | Total (dry weight) | ug/g | | 4610 | 3730 | 3160 | 2 |
| Chromium | Total (dry weight) | ug/g | | 9.90 | 15.2 | 14.3 | 0.04 |
| Cobalt | Total (dry weight) | ug/g | | 1.9 | 4.5 | 1.6 | 0.05 |
| Copper | Total (dry weight) | ug/g | | 59.1 | 117 | 49.4 | 0.05 |
| Iron | Total (dry weight) | ug/g | | 6410 | 4880 | 4050 | 1 |
| Lead | Total (dry weight) | ug/g | | 24.0 | 39.5 | 15.8 | 0.3 |
| Lithium | Total (dry weight) | ug/g | | 0.64 | 0.70 | 0.94 | 0.1 |
| Magnesium | Total (dry weight) | ug/g | | 1440 | 793 | 1160 | 1 |
| Manganese | Total (dry weight) | ug/g | | 247 | 589 | 314 | 0.3 |
| Molybdenum | Total (dry weight) | ug/g | | 2.7 | 3.7 | 2.1 | 0.05 |
| Nickel | Total (dry weight) | ug/g | | 6.29 | 9.51 | 8.32 | 0.1 |
| Phosphorus | Total (dry weight) | ug/g | | 2250 | 1040 | 1370 | 1 |
| Potassium | Total (dry weight) | ug/g | | 10800 | 1500 | 6530 | 5 |
| Selenium | Total (dry weight) | ug/g | | <0.2 | <0.2 | <0.2 | 0.3 |
| Silver | Total (dry weight) | ug/g | | <0.15 | <0.15 | <0.15 | 0.2 |
| Sodium | Total (dry weight) | ug/g | | 2600 | 177 | 1000 | 1 |
| Strontium | Total (dry weight) | ug/g | | 35.0 | 30.4 | 20.5 | 0.02 |
| Titanium | Total (dry weight) | ug/g | | 28.7 | 61.2 | 66.2 | 0.05 |
| Vanadium | Total (dry weight) | ug/g | | 8.44 | 9.06 | 7.68 | 0.1 |
| Zinc | Total (dry weight) | ug/g | | 121 | 174 | 143 | 0.1 |
| Zirconium | Total (dry weight) | ug/g | | 0.61 | 0.73 | 0.3 | 0.05 |
| Thallium | Total (dry weight) | ug/g | | 1.6 | 1.6 | 1.2 | 0.3 |



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| Analyte | Sample Description | Units | NWL Number | 524772-5 | 524772-6 | Detection Limit |
|---------------------|--------------------|-------|--------------------|----------|----------|-----------------|
| | | | Sample Description | Results | Results | |
| | Matrix | | Tissue | Tissue | Tissue | |
| Metals Total | | | | | | |
| Aluminum | Total (dry weight) | ug/g | 2090 | 4470 | 2110 | 1 |
| Antimony | Total (dry weight) | ug/g | 9.08 | 13.0 | 2.1 | 0.5 |
| Arsenic | Total (dry weight) | ug/g | 3.6 | 2.9 | 3.4 | 0.2 |
| Barium | Total (dry weight) | ug/g | 48.8 | 84.4 | 68.0 | 0.03 |
| Beryllium | Total (dry weight) | ug/g | 0.12 | 0.20 | 0.080 | 0.01 |
| Bismuth | Total (dry weight) | ug/g | <0.5 | 0.92 | <0.5 | 0.5 |
| Cadmium | Total (dry weight) | ug/g | 2.5 | 4.9 | 1.0 | 0.05 |
| Calcium | Total (dry weight) | ug/g | 4120 | 5230 | 3690 | 2 |
| Chromium | Total (dry weight) | ug/g | 14.2 | 29.5 | 17.8 | 0.04 |
| Cobalt | Total (dry weight) | ug/g | 4.1 | 5.99 | 3.1 | 0.05 |
| Copper | Total (dry weight) | ug/g | 140 | 177 | 42.0 | 0.05 |
| Iron | Total (dry weight) | ug/g | 7020 | 10200 | 7010 | 1 |
| Lead | Total (dry weight) | ug/g | 38.3 | 50.7 | 14.0 | 0.3 |
| Lithium | Total (dry weight) | ug/g | 0.95 | 2.6 | 1.4 | 0.1 |
| Magnesium | Total (dry weight) | ug/g | 626 | 1640 | 1410 | 1 |
| Manganese | Total (dry weight) | ug/g | 669 | 784 | 739 | 0.3 |
| Molybdenum | Total (dry weight) | ug/g | 4.1 | 6.35 | 1.7 | 0.05 |
| Nickel | Total (dry weight) | ug/g | 7.69 | 18.7 | 8.45 | 0.1 |
| Phosphorus | Total (dry weight) | ug/g | 1450 | 2410 | 2610 | 1 |
| Potassium | Total (dry weight) | ug/g | 1120 | 3120 | 11800 | 5 |
| Selenium | Total (dry weight) | ug/g | <0.25 | <0.25 | <0.25 | 0.3 |
| Silver | Total (dry weight) | ug/g | <0.15 | <0.15 | <0.15 | 0.2 |
| Sodium | Total (dry weight) | ug/g | 254 | 492 | 1120 | 1 |
| Strontium | Total (dry weight) | ug/g | 29.5 | 39.7 | 24.9 | 0.02 |
| Titanium | Total (dry weight) | ug/g | 37.0 | 59.8 | 57.2 | 0.05 |
| Vanadium | Total (dry weight) | ug/g | 9.64 | 16.2 | 7.98 | 0.1 |
| Zinc | Total (dry weight) | ug/g | 203 | 386 | 119 | 0.1 |
| Zirconium | Total (dry weight) | ug/g | <0.05 | 1.2 | <0.05 | 0.05 |
| Thallium | Total (dry weight) | ug/g | 3.4 | 3.6 | 0.99 | 0.3 |



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| Analyte | Sample Description | Matrix | NWL Number | 524772-7 | 524772-8 | 524772-9 | Detection Limit |
|---------------------|--------------------|--------|--------------------|------------|------------|------------|-----------------|
| | | | Sample Description | Carex - 3A | Carex - 3B | Carex - 3C | |
| | | | Units | Results | Results | Results | |
| Metals Total | | | | | | | |
| Aluminum | Total (dry weight) | | ug/g | 5900 | 644 | 4650 | 1 |
| Antimony | Total (dry weight) | | ug/g | <0.50 | 0.76 | <0.5 | 0.5 |
| Arsenic | Total (dry weight) | | ug/g | 3.3 | 1.4 | 4.0 | 0.2 |
| Barium | Total (dry weight) | | ug/g | 44.2 | 69.3 | 75.5 | 0.03 |
| Beryllium | Total (dry weight) | | ug/g | 0.11 | 0.02 | 0.12 | 0.01 |
| Bismuth | Total (dry weight) | | ug/g | <0.50 | <0.5 | <0.5 | 0.5 |
| Cadmium | Total (dry weight) | | ug/g | 0.5 | 0.1 | 0.5 | 0.05 |
| Calcium | Total (dry weight) | | ug/g | 4660 | 3830 | 6500 | 2 |
| Chromium | Total (dry weight) | | ug/g | 77.5 | 3.58 | 39.4 | 0.04 |
| Cobalt | Total (dry weight) | | ug/g | 4.6 | 1.1 | 4.4 | 0.05 |
| Copper | Total (dry weight) | | ug/g | 27.4 | 14.1 | 49.4 | 0.05 |
| Iron | Total (dry weight) | | ug/g | 11000 | 3960 | 10400 | 1 |
| Lead | Total (dry weight) | | ug/g | 7.55 | 4.2 | 15.1 | 0.3 |
| Lithium | Total (dry weight) | | ug/g | 5.00 | 0.53 | 3.6 | 0.1 |
| Magnesium | Total (dry weight) | | ug/g | 3400 | 1150 | 2490 | 1 |
| Manganese | Total (dry weight) | | ug/g | 288 | 130 | 555 | 0.3 |
| Molybdenum | Total (dry weight) | | ug/g | 1.6 | 0.54 | 2.1 | 0.05 |
| Nickel | Total (dry weight) | | ug/g | 34.3 | 2.7 | 21.4 | 0.1 |
| Phosphorus | Total (dry weight) | | ug/g | 1240 | 3520 | 1440 | 1 |
| Potassium | Total (dry weight) | | ug/g | 2040 | 12200 | 1160 | 5 |
| Selenium | Total (dry weight) | | ug/g | <0.2 | <0.2 | <0.25 | 0.3 |
| Silver | Total (dry weight) | | ug/g | <0.15 | <0.15 | <0.15 | 0.2 |
| Sodium | Total (dry weight) | | ug/g | 686 | 2080 | 385 | 1 |
| Strontium | Total (dry weight) | | ug/g | 25.8 | 36.0 | 36.2 | 0.02 |
| Titanium | Total (dry weight) | | ug/g | 394 | 21.0 | 240 | 0.05 |
| Vanadium | Total (dry weight) | | ug/g | 24.0 | 2.5 | 20.8 | 0.1 |
| Zinc | Total (dry weight) | | ug/g | 77.6 | 33.5 | 122 | 0.1 |
| Zirconium | Total (dry weight) | | ug/g | 2.0 | 0.2 | 1.9 | 0.05 |
| Thallium | Total (dry weight) | | ug/g | <0.25 | 1.5 | <0.25 | 0.3 |



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| Analyte | Units | NWL Number | 524772-10 | 524772-11 | 524772-12 | Detection Limit |
|---------------------|--------------------|---------------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|-----------------|
| | | Sample Description Matrix | Scirpus - 1A Tissue | Scirpus - 1B Tissue | Scirpus - 1C Tissue | |
| Metals Total | | | | | | |
| Aluminum | Total (dry weight) | ug/g | 3200 | 4910 | 572 | 1 |
| Antimony | Total (dry weight) | ug/g | 12.8 | 4.8 | <0.5 | 0.5 |
| Arsenic | Total (dry weight) | ug/g | 6.75 | 5.65 | 0.5 | 0.2 |
| Barium | Total (dry weight) | ug/g | 39.8 | 43.1 | 16.6 | 0.03 |
| Beryllium | Total (dry weight) | ug/g | 0.095 | 0.11 | <0.01 | 0.01 |
| Bismuth | Total (dry weight) | ug/g | 1.1 | 1.0 | <0.5 | 0.5 |
| Cadmium | Total (dry weight) | ug/g | 1.1 | 0.83 | 0.06 | 0.05 |
| Calcium | Total (dry weight) | ug/g | 2770 | 4080 | 1980 | 2 |
| Chromium | Total (dry weight) | ug/g | 24.7 | 36.4 | 7.71 | 0.04 |
| Cobalt | Total (dry weight) | ug/g | 1.5 | 2.6 | 0.4 | 0.05 |
| Copper | Total (dry weight) | ug/g | 107 | 85.5 | 11.4 | 0.05 |
| Iron | Total (dry weight) | ug/g | 8010 | 7780 | 1300 | 1 |
| Lead | Total (dry weight) | ug/g | 52.8 | 36.5 | 1.0 | 0.3 |
| Lithium | Total (dry weight) | ug/g | 2.0 | 3.6 | 0.64 | 0.1 |
| Magnesium | Total (dry weight) | ug/g | 1600 | 2440 | 1050 | 1 |
| Manganese | Total (dry weight) | ug/g | 220 | 232 | 481 | 0.3 |
| Molybdenum | Total (dry weight) | ug/g | 3.4 | 2.4 | 0.4 | 0.05 |
| Nickel | Total (dry weight) | ug/g | 6.80 | 12.6 | 2.8 | 0.1 |
| Phosphorus | Total (dry weight) | ug/g | 3360 | 1290 | 3640 | 1 |
| Potassium | Total (dry weight) | ug/g | 12000 | 3910 | 19900 | 5 |
| Selenium | Total (dry weight) | ug/g | <0.2 | <0.2 | <0.2 | 0.3 |
| Silver | Total (dry weight) | ug/g | <0.15 | <0.15 | <0.1 | 0.2 |
| Sodium | Total (dry weight) | ug/g | 2730 | 1450 | 3910 | 1 |
| Strontium | Total (dry weight) | ug/g | 21.4 | 29.8 | 14.1 | 0.02 |
| Titanium | Total (dry weight) | ug/g | 61.0 | 195 | 29.5 | 0.05 |
| Vanadium | Total (dry weight) | ug/g | 15.4 | 22.0 | 2.9 | 0.1 |
| Zinc | Total (dry weight) | ug/g | 160 | 138 | 29.3 | 0.1 |
| Zirconium | Total (dry weight) | ug/g | 0.76 | 0.63 | 0.79 | 0.05 |
| Thallium | Total (dry weight) | ug/g | 1.5 | <0.2 | 1.2 | 0.3 |



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| Analyte | Sample Description Matrix | Units | NWL Number | NWL Number | NWL Number | Detection Limit |
|---------------------|------------------------------|-------|--------------|--------------|--------------|-----------------|
| | | | 524772-13 | 524772-14 | 524772-15 | |
| | | | Scirpus - 2A | Scirpus - 2B | Scirpus - 2C | |
| | | | Tissue | Tissue | Tissue | |
| Metals Total | | | | | | |
| Aluminum | Total (dry weight) | ug/g | 626 | 2380 | 4140 | 1 |
| Antimony | Total (dry weight) | ug/g | 1.0 | 2.6 | <0.5 | 0.5 |
| Arsenic | Total (dry weight) | ug/g | 1.2 | 1.5 | 2.4 | 0.2 |
| Barium | Total (dry weight) | ug/g | 27.6 | 46.0 | 50.0 | 0.03 |
| Beryllium | Total (dry weight) | ug/g | 0.02 | 0.075 | 0.080 | 0.01 |
| Bismuth | Total (dry weight) | ug/g | <0.5 | <0.5 | <0.5 | 0.5 |
| Cadmium | Total (dry weight) | ug/g | 0.4 | 1.0 | 0.2 | 0.05 |
| Calcium | Total (dry weight) | ug/g | 4780 | 4000 | 3810 | 2 |
| Chromium | Total (dry weight) | ug/g | 5.22 | 37.2 | 93.4 | 0.04 |
| Cobalt | Total (dry weight) | ug/g | 0.89 | 2.6 | 4.1 | 0.05 |
| Copper | Total (dry weight) | ug/g | 27.6 | 61.0 | 27.6 | 0.05 |
| Iron | Total (dry weight) | ug/g | 1920 | 4850 | 9840 | 1 |
| Lead | Total (dry weight) | ug/g | 6.07 | 16.4 | 6.60 | 0.3 |
| Lithium | Total (dry weight) | ug/g | 0.52 | 1.8 | 3.6 | 0.1 |
| Magnesium | Total (dry weight) | ug/g | 1440 | 1810 | 2770 | 1 |
| Manganese | Total (dry weight) | ug/g | 468 | 634 | 640 | 0.3 |
| Molybdenum | Total (dry weight) | ug/g | 1.2 | 2.1 | 1.5 | 0.05 |
| Nickel | Total (dry weight) | ug/g | 3.6 | 10.7 | 17.8 | 0.1 |
| Phosphorus | Total (dry weight) | ug/g | 3440 | 2950 | 2540 | 1 |
| Potassium | Total (dry weight) | ug/g | 12600 | 7750 | 7250 | 5 |
| Selenium | Total (dry weight) | ug/g | <0.2 | <0.25 | <0.25 | 0.3 |
| Silver | Total (dry weight) | ug/g | <0.1 | <0.15 | <0.15 | 0.2 |
| Sodium | Total (dry weight) | ug/g | 2430 | 2760 | 1340 | 1 |
| Strontium | Total (dry weight) | ug/g | 27.7 | 28.9 | 23.6 | 0.02 |
| Titanium | Total (dry weight) | ug/g | 19.5 | 44.5 | 108 | 0.05 |
| Vanadium | Total (dry weight) | ug/g | 2.7 | 9.62 | 18.3 | 0.1 |
| Zinc | Total (dry weight) | ug/g | 314 | 159 | 80.3 | 0.1 |
| Zirconium | Total (dry weight) | ug/g | 0.56 | 0.4 | 0.56 | 0.05 |
| Thallium | Total (dry weight) | ug/g | 1.4 | 1.0 | <0.2 | 0.3 |



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| Analyte | Sample Description Matrix | NWL Number | 524772-16 | 524772-17 | 524772-18 | Detection Limit |
|---------------------|------------------------------|------------|------------------------|------------------------|------------------------|-----------------|
| | | Units | Scirpus - 3A Tissue | Scirpus - 3B Tissue | Scirpus - 3C Tissue | |
| Metals Total | | | | | | |
| Aluminum | Total (dry weight) | ug/g | 365 | 2640 | 3100 | 1 |
| Antimony | Total (dry weight) | ug/g | <0.5 | 1.8 | 0.80 | 0.5 |
| Arsenic | Total (dry weight) | ug/g | 1.5 | 3.7 | 16.9 | 0.2 |
| Barium | Total (dry weight) | ug/g | 19.1 | 97.9 | 60.0 | 0.03 |
| Beryllium | Total (dry weight) | ug/g | <0.01 | 0.089 | 0.10 | 0.01 |
| Bismuth | Total (dry weight) | ug/g | <0.5 | 0.58 | 0.50 | 0.5 |
| Cadmium | Total (dry weight) | ug/g | <0.05 | 0.55 | 0.4 | 0.05 |
| Calcium | Total (dry weight) | ug/g | 1450 | 5100 | 4950 | 2 |
| Chromium | Total (dry weight) | ug/g | 6.08 | 26.6 | 23.5 | 0.04 |
| Cobalt | Total (dry weight) | ug/g | 0.83 | 3.0 | 5.60 | 0.05 |
| Copper | Total (dry weight) | ug/g | 9.38 | 37.8 | 43.3 | 0.05 |
| Iron | Total (dry weight) | ug/g | 1400 | 9750 | 13100 | 1 |
| Lead | Total (dry weight) | ug/g | 0.97 | 10.3 | 12.0 | 0.3 |
| Lithium | Total (dry weight) | ug/g | 0.52 | 1.8 | 2.3 | 0.1 |
| Magnesium | Total (dry weight) | ug/g | 1290 | 1650 | 1770 | 1 |
| Manganese | Total (dry weight) | ug/g | 334 | 309 | 748 | 0.3 |
| Molybdenum | Total (dry weight) | ug/g | 0.2 | 1.3 | 2.3 | 0.05 |
| Nickel | Total (dry weight) | ug/g | 4.3 | 12.2 | 15.0 | 0.1 |
| Phosphorus | Total (dry weight) | ug/g | 6930 | 2670 | 2490 | 1 |
| Potassium | Total (dry weight) | ug/g | 22400 | 6620 | 10000 | 5 |
| Selenium | Total (dry weight) | ug/g | <0.2 | <0.25 | <0.25 | 0.3 |
| Silver | Total (dry weight) | ug/g | <0.1 | <0.15 | <0.15 | 0.2 |
| Sodium | Total (dry weight) | ug/g | 1880 | 1360 | 1010 | 1 |
| Strontium | Total (dry weight) | ug/g | 11.1 | 34.5 | 34.3 | 0.02 |
| Titanium | Total (dry weight) | ug/g | 14.0 | 54.8 | 73.6 | 0.05 |
| Vanadium | Total (dry weight) | ug/g | 1.7 | 11.7 | 14.3 | 0.1 |
| Zinc | Total (dry weight) | ug/g | 32.6 | 106 | 155 | 0.1 |
| Zirconium | Total (dry weight) | ug/g | 0.3 | 0.63 | 0.62 | 0.05 |
| Thallium | Total (dry weight) | ug/g | 1.2 | 1.2 | 1.1 | 0.3 |



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| Analyte | | Units | NWL Number | Results | Results | Results | Detection Limit |
|---------------------|--------------------|-------|--------------------|-----------|---------|---------|-----------------|
| | | | Sample Description | Matrix | | | |
| | | | 524772-19 | Bird Poop | | | |
| | | | | Tissue | | | |
| Metals Total | | | | | | | |
| Aluminum | Total (dry weight) | ug/g | 4050 | | | | 1 |
| Antimony | Total (dry weight) | ug/g | <0.50 | | | | 0.5 |
| Arsenic | Total (dry weight) | ug/g | 0.95 | | | | 0.2 |
| Barium | Total (dry weight) | ug/g | 28.3 | | | | 0.03 |
| Beryllium | Total (dry weight) | ug/g | 0.060 | | | | 0.01 |
| Bismuth | Total (dry weight) | ug/g | 0.60 | | | | 0.5 |
| Cadmium | Total (dry weight) | ug/g | 0.1 | | | | 0.05 |
| Calcium | Total (dry weight) | ug/g | 3960 | | | | 2 |
| Chromium | Total (dry weight) | ug/g | 9.19 | | | | 0.04 |
| Cobalt | Total (dry weight) | ug/g | 1.6 | | | | 0.05 |
| Copper | Total (dry weight) | ug/g | 16.5 | | | | 0.05 |
| Iron | Total (dry weight) | ug/g | 5630 | | | | 1 |
| Lead | Total (dry weight) | ug/g | 3.9 | | | | 0.3 |
| Lithium | Total (dry weight) | ug/g | 3.6 | | | | 0.1 |
| Magnesium | Total (dry weight) | ug/g | 2370 | | | | 1 |
| Manganese | Total (dry weight) | ug/g | 223 | | | | 0.3 |
| Molybdenum | Total (dry weight) | ug/g | 1.5 | | | | 0.05 |
| Nickel | Total (dry weight) | ug/g | 6.66 | | | | 0.1 |
| Phosphorus | Total (dry weight) | ug/g | 2360 | | | | 1 |
| Potassium | Total (dry weight) | ug/g | 14700 | | | | 5 |
| Selenium | Total (dry weight) | ug/g | <0.2 | | | | 0.3 |
| Silver | Total (dry weight) | ug/g | <0.15 | | | | 0.2 |
| Sodium | Total (dry weight) | ug/g | 1060 | | | | 1 |
| Strontium | Total (dry weight) | ug/g | 20.5 | | | | 0.02 |
| Titanium | Total (dry weight) | ug/g | 196 | | | | 0.05 |
| Vanadium | Total (dry weight) | ug/g | 14.5 | | | | 0.1 |
| Zinc | Total (dry weight) | ug/g | 35.3 | | | | 0.1 |
| Zirconium | Total (dry weight) | ug/g | 0.1 | | | | 0.05 |
| Thallium | Total (dry weight) | ug/g | <0.25 | | | | 0.3 |

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Method of Analysis:

| MethodName | Reference | Method | Date Analysis Started | Location |
|---------------------------|-----------|---|-----------------------|---------------------|
| Metals (Total) dry weight | US EPA | * Metals & Trace Elements by ICP-AES, 6010B | 19-Feb-07 | Norwest Labs Surrey |

* Norwest method(s) is based on reference method

References:

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| Analyte | Units | NWL Number | | Results | Results | Results | Detection Limit |
|-------------------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------|--------|---------|---------|---------|-----------------|
| | | Sample Description | Matrix | | | | |
| Metals Strong Acid Digestion | | | | | | | |
| Antimony | Strong Acid Extractable | ug/g | 4.6 | 1.0 | 0.9 | 0.5 | |
| Arsenic | Strong Acid Extractable | ug/g | 5.3 | 4.3 | 3.8 | 0.2 | |
| Barium | Strong Acid Extractable | ug/g | 66.2 | 55.5 | 47.0 | 0.03 | |
| Beryllium | Strong Acid Extractable | ug/g | 0.24 | 0.16 | 0.17 | 0.01 | |
| Cadmium | Strong Acid Extractable | ug/g | 1.2 | 0.56 | 0.50 | 0.05 | |
| Chromium | Strong Acid Extractable | ug/g | 44.3 | 27.0 | 27.4 | 0.04 | |
| Cobalt | Strong Acid Extractable | ug/g | 5.20 | 5.51 | 5.52 | 0.05 | |
| Copper | Strong Acid Extractable | ug/g | 147 | 62.5 | 59.0 | 0.05 | |
| Lead | Strong Acid Extractable | ug/g | 71.0 | 24.1 | 24.7 | 0.3 | |
| Mercury | Strong Acid Extractable | ug/g | 0.059 | 0.036 | 0.023 | 0.003 | |
| Molybdenum | Strong Acid Extractable | ug/g | 4.3 | 1.8 | 1.8 | 0.05 | |
| Nickel | Strong Acid Extractable | ug/g | 27.4 | 26.6 | 26.7 | 0.1 | |
| Selenium | Strong Acid Extractable | ug/g | 0.6 | 0.8 | 0.8 | 0.3 | |
| Silver | Strong Acid Extractable | ug/g | <0.2 | <0.2 | <0.2 | 0.2 | |
| Thallium | Strong Acid Extractable | ug/g | <0.3 | <0.3 | <0.3 | 0.3 | |
| Tin | Strong Acid Extractable | ug/g | 5.4 | 2.0 | 1.8 | 0.2 | |
| Vanadium | Strong Acid Extractable | ug/g | 41.2 | 33.4 | 34.6 | 0.1 | |
| Zinc | Strong Acid Extractable | ug/g | 264 | 138 | 124 | 0.1 | |
| Soil Acidity | | | | | | | |
| pH | 1:2 Soil:Water | pH | 6.2 | 5.7 | 6.0 | 0.5 | |



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| Analyte | Sample Description Matrix | Units | NWL Number | 524777-4 | 524777-5 | 524777-6 | Detection Limit |
|-------------------------------------|---------------------------|-------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------|-----------------|
| | | | Soil - 1D Soil | Soil - 1E Soil | Soil - 2A Soil | | |
| Metals Strong Acid Digestion | | | | | | | |
| Antimony | Strong Acid Extractable | ug/g | 4.2 | 6.5 | <0.5 | 0.5 | |
| Arsenic | Strong Acid Extractable | ug/g | 3.7 | 4.1 | 3.2 | 0.2 | |
| Barium | Strong Acid Extractable | ug/g | 74.2 | 111 | 45.2 | 0.03 | |
| Beryllium | Strong Acid Extractable | ug/g | 0.19 | 0.30 | 0.14 | 0.01 | |
| Cadmium | Strong Acid Extractable | ug/g | 0.5 | 1.7 | 0.1 | 0.05 | |
| Chromium | Strong Acid Extractable | ug/g | 31.8 | 47.3 | 19.5 | 0.04 | |
| Cobalt | Strong Acid Extractable | ug/g | 6.46 | 8.02 | 5.32 | 0.05 | |
| Copper | Strong Acid Extractable | ug/g | 79.2 | 221 | 22.7 | 0.05 | |
| Lead | Strong Acid Extractable | ug/g | 33.5 | 82.7 | 6.8 | 0.3 | |
| Mercury | Strong Acid Extractable | ug/g | 0.041 | 0.079 | 0.022 | 0.003 | |
| Molybdenum | Strong Acid Extractable | ug/g | 3.6 | 6.55 | 0.56 | 0.05 | |
| Nickel | Strong Acid Extractable | ug/g | 26.8 | 33.6 | 23.3 | 0.1 | |
| Selenium | Strong Acid Extractable | ug/g | 0.7 | 1.1 | 0.9 | 0.3 | |
| Silver | Strong Acid Extractable | ug/g | <0.2 | <0.2 | <0.2 | 0.2 | |
| Thallium | Strong Acid Extractable | ug/g | <0.3 | <0.3 | <0.3 | 0.3 | |
| Tin | Strong Acid Extractable | ug/g | 3.9 | 7.7 | 0.4 | 0.2 | |
| Vanadium | Strong Acid Extractable | ug/g | 37.0 | 46.6 | 33.4 | 0.1 | |
| Zinc | Strong Acid Extractable | ug/g | 134 | 288 | 63.0 | 0.1 | |
| Soil Acidity | | | | | | | |
| pH | 1:2 Soil:Water | pH | 5.9 | 6.2 | 6.0 | 0.5 | |



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| Analyte | Units | 524777-7 | | 524777-8 | | 524777-9 | |
|-------------------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------|---------|----------|---------|-----------------|--|
| | | Sample Description | Results | Results | Results | Detection Limit | |
| Metals Strong Acid Digestion | | | | | | | |
| Antimony | Strong Acid Extractable | ug/g | <0.5 | <0.5 | <0.5 | 0.5 | |
| Arsenic | Strong Acid Extractable | ug/g | 2.2 | 1.7 | 2.6 | 0.2 | |
| Barium | Strong Acid Extractable | ug/g | 53.2 | 37.5 | 35.0 | 0.03 | |
| Beryllium | Strong Acid Extractable | ug/g | 0.14 | 0.13 | 0.13 | 0.01 | |
| Cadmium | Strong Acid Extractable | ug/g | 0.2 | 0.2 | 0.1 | 0.05 | |
| Chromium | Strong Acid Extractable | ug/g | 22.2 | 20.0 | 22.3 | 0.04 | |
| Cobalt | Strong Acid Extractable | ug/g | 6.49 | 5.91 | 5.03 | 0.05 | |
| Copper | Strong Acid Extractable | ug/g | 23.8 | 20.5 | 19.8 | 0.05 | |
| Lead | Strong Acid Extractable | ug/g | 6.9 | 6.0 | 5.4 | 0.3 | |
| Mercury | Strong Acid Extractable | ug/g | 0.022 | 0.024 | 0.023 | 0.003 | |
| Molybdenum | Strong Acid Extractable | ug/g | 1.3 | 0.58 | 0.52 | 0.05 | |
| Nickel | Strong Acid Extractable | ug/g | 24.6 | 25.0 | 24.7 | 0.1 | |
| Selenium | Strong Acid Extractable | ug/g | 0.6 | <0.3 | 0.6 | 0.3 | |
| Silver | Strong Acid Extractable | ug/g | <0.2 | <0.2 | <0.2 | 0.2 | |
| Thallium | Strong Acid Extractable | ug/g | <0.3 | <0.3 | <0.3 | 0.3 | |
| Tin | Strong Acid Extractable | ug/g | 0.4 | 0.3 | 0.3 | 0.2 | |
| Vanadium | Strong Acid Extractable | ug/g | 33.9 | 29.3 | 35.8 | 0.1 | |
| Zinc | Strong Acid Extractable | ug/g | 79.2 | 61.3 | 55.3 | 0.1 | |
| Soil Acidity | | | | | | | |
| pH | 1:2 Soil:Water | pH | 5.7 | 6.0 | 6.0 | 0.5 | |



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| Analyte | Matrix | NWL Number | 524777-10 | 524777-11 | 524777-12 | Detection Limit |
|-------------------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------------|
| | | Sample Description | Soil - 2E | Soil - 3A | Soil - 3B | |
| | | Units | Results | Results | Results | |
| Metals Strong Acid Digestion | | | | | | |
| Antimony | Strong Acid Extractable | ug/g | <0.5 | <0.5 | <0.5 | 0.5 |
| Arsenic | Strong Acid Extractable | ug/g | 2.0 | 2.0 | 1.1 | 0.2 |
| Barium | Strong Acid Extractable | ug/g | 36.0 | 36.0 | 36.9 | 0.03 |
| Beryllium | Strong Acid Extractable | ug/g | 0.12 | 0.13 | 0.15 | 0.01 |
| Cadmium | Strong Acid Extractable | ug/g | 0.2 | 0.1 | 0.2 | 0.05 |
| Chromium | Strong Acid Extractable | ug/g | 18.3 | 25.4 | 18.2 | 0.04 |
| Cobalt | Strong Acid Extractable | ug/g | 6.07 | 4.9 | 7.05 | 0.05 |
| Copper | Strong Acid Extractable | ug/g | 21.6 | 18.4 | 32.7 | 0.05 |
| Lead | Strong Acid Extractable | ug/g | 4.9 | 4.8 | 4.3 | 0.3 |
| Mercury | Strong Acid Extractable | ug/g | 0.019 | 0.018 | 0.015 | 0.003 |
| Molybdenum | Strong Acid Extractable | ug/g | 0.4 | 0.4 | 0.5 | 0.05 |
| Nickel | Strong Acid Extractable | ug/g | 20.6 | 23.5 | 19.8 | 0.1 |
| Selenium | Strong Acid Extractable | ug/g | <0.3 | 0.7 | <0.3 | 0.3 |
| Silver | Strong Acid Extractable | ug/g | <0.2 | <0.2 | <0.2 | 0.2 |
| Thallium | Strong Acid Extractable | ug/g | <0.3 | <0.3 | <0.3 | 0.3 |
| Tin | Strong Acid Extractable | ug/g | 0.2 | 0.2 | 0.4 | 0.2 |
| Vanadium | Strong Acid Extractable | ug/g | 36.2 | 33.5 | 41.7 | 0.1 |
| Zinc | Strong Acid Extractable | ug/g | 54.8 | 54.7 | 57.2 | 0.1 |
| Soil Acidity | | | | | | |
| pH | 1:2 Soil:Water | pH | 6.3 | 6.3 | 6.2 | 0.5 |



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| Analyte | Matrix | Units | NWL Number | 524777-13 | 524777-14 | 524777-15 | Detection Limit |
|-------------------------------------|-------------------------|-------|--------------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------------|
| | | | Sample Description | Soil - 3C | Soil - 3D | Soil - 3E | |
| | | | Soil | Soil | Soil | | |
| Metals Strong Acid Digestion | | | | | | | |
| Antimony | Strong Acid Extractable | ug/g | | <0.5 | <0.5 | <0.5 | 0.5 |
| Arsenic | Strong Acid Extractable | ug/g | | 3.2 | 2.9 | 3.3 | 0.2 |
| Barium | Strong Acid Extractable | ug/g | | 39.2 | 31.6 | 46.2 | 0.03 |
| Beryllium | Strong Acid Extractable | ug/g | | 0.14 | 0.14 | 0.14 | 0.01 |
| Cadmium | Strong Acid Extractable | ug/g | | 0.1 | 0.2 | 0.1 | 0.05 |
| Chromium | Strong Acid Extractable | ug/g | | 17.5 | 19.4 | 22.3 | 0.04 |
| Cobalt | Strong Acid Extractable | ug/g | | 5.72 | 5.97 | 5.08 | 0.05 |
| Copper | Strong Acid Extractable | ug/g | | 23.5 | 24.9 | 19.8 | 0.05 |
| Lead | Strong Acid Extractable | ug/g | | 4.6 | 6.5 | 6.4 | 0.3 |
| Mercury | Strong Acid Extractable | ug/g | | 0.024 | 0.040 | 0.024 | 0.003 |
| Molybdenum | Strong Acid Extractable | ug/g | | 0.66 | 0.51 | 0.62 | 0.05 |
| Nickel | Strong Acid Extractable | ug/g | | 17.7 | 23.4 | 24.1 | 0.1 |
| Selenium | Strong Acid Extractable | ug/g | | 0.8 | <0.3 | 1.0 | 0.3 |
| Silver | Strong Acid Extractable | ug/g | | <0.2 | <0.2 | <0.2 | 0.2 |
| Thallium | Strong Acid Extractable | ug/g | | <0.3 | <0.3 | <0.3 | 0.3 |
| Tin | Strong Acid Extractable | ug/g | | 0.2 | 0.3 | 0.3 | 0.2 |
| Vanadium | Strong Acid Extractable | ug/g | | 43.5 | 33.0 | 32.9 | 0.1 |
| Zinc | Strong Acid Extractable | ug/g | | 56.2 | 62.6 | 58.4 | 0.1 |
| Soil Acidity | | | | | | | |
| pH | 1:2 Soil:Water | pH | | 5.8 | 6.3 | 6.3 | 0.5 |



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| Analyte | Matrix | Units | NWL Number | 524777-16 | 524777-17 | Results | Detection Limit |
|-------------------------------------|-------------------------|-------|--------------------|-----------------|----------------|---------|-----------------|
| | | | Sample Description | Soil - S-Outlet | Soil - S-Inlet | | |
| Metals Strong Acid Digestion | | | | | | | |
| Antimony | Strong Acid Extractable | ug/g | | <0.5 | 5.6 | | 0.5 |
| Arsenic | Strong Acid Extractable | ug/g | | 2.2 | 3.3 | | 0.2 |
| Barium | Strong Acid Extractable | ug/g | | 49.5 | 63.0 | | 0.03 |
| Beryllium | Strong Acid Extractable | ug/g | | 0.20 | 0.21 | | 0.01 |
| Cadmium | Strong Acid Extractable | ug/g | | 0.73 | 0.53 | | 0.05 |
| Chromium | Strong Acid Extractable | ug/g | | 18.7 | 40.7 | | 0.04 |
| Cobalt | Strong Acid Extractable | ug/g | | 8.49 | 6.85 | | 0.05 |
| Copper | Strong Acid Extractable | ug/g | | 80.0 | 153 | | 0.05 |
| Lead | Strong Acid Extractable | ug/g | | 32.0 | 48.5 | | 0.3 |
| Mercury | Strong Acid Extractable | ug/g | | 0.047 | 0.041 | | 0.003 |
| Molybdenum | Strong Acid Extractable | ug/g | | 1.3 | 3.6 | | 0.05 |
| Nickel | Strong Acid Extractable | ug/g | | 18.3 | 19.7 | | 0.1 |
| Selenium | Strong Acid Extractable | ug/g | | <0.3 | 1.6 | | 0.3 |
| Silver | Strong Acid Extractable | ug/g | | <0.2 | <0.2 | | 0.2 |
| Thallium | Strong Acid Extractable | ug/g | | <0.3 | <0.3 | | 0.3 |
| Tin | Strong Acid Extractable | ug/g | | 1.5 | 6.7 | | 0.2 |
| Vanadium | Strong Acid Extractable | ug/g | | 46.9 | 49.1 | | 0.1 |
| Zinc | Strong Acid Extractable | ug/g | | 94.1 | 246 | | 0.1 |
| Soil Acidity | | | | | | | |
| pH | 1:2 Soil:Water | pH | | 6.6 | 6.5 | | 0.5 |

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Method of Analysis:

| MethodName | Reference | Method | Date Analysis Started | Location |
|---|-----------|--|-----------------------|---------------------|
| Metals (Strong Acid Leachable) in soils | B.C.M.O.E | * Strong Acid Leachable Metals (SALM) in Soil, V 1.0, SALM | 14-Feb-07 | Norwest Labs Surrey |
| pH and EC in Soil - 1:2 (Surrey) | McKeague | * 1:2 Soil:Water Ratio, 4.12 | 13-Feb-07 | Norwest Labs Surrey |

* Norwest method(s) is based on reference method

References:

| | |
|-----------|---|
| B.C.M.O.E | B.C. Ministry of Environment |
| McKeague | Manual on Soil Sampling and Methods of Analysis |

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| | | Sample ID Description Sampled Date Sampled Time Client ID | L1341753-2 Sediment 31-JUL-13 SS13-2 | L1341753-3 Sediment 31-JUL-13 SS13-3 | L1341753-4 Sediment 31-JUL-13 SS13-4 | L1341753-6 Sediment 31-JUL-13 SS13-6 | L1341753-7 Sediment 31-JUL-13 SS13-7 |
|------------------------------|-------------------------------------|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Grouping | Analyte | | | | | | |
| SOIL | | | | | | | |
| Physical Tests | Moisture (%) | | 71.4 | 72.8 | 71.8 | 72.8 | 70.1 |
| | pH (1:2 soil:water) (pH) | | 5.76 | 5.82 | 6.25 | 6.01 | 6.17 |
| Saturated Paste Extractables | Chloride (Cl) (mg/kg) | | | | 132 | 319 | |
| | % Saturation (%) | | | | 110 | 154 | |
| | Sodium (Na) (mg/kg) | | | | 194 | 103 | |
| Metals | Antimony (Sb) (mg/kg) | | 25.8 | 28.3 | 48.0 | 45.8 | 54.7 |
| | Arsenic (As) (mg/kg) | | 3.70 | 4.43 | 5.69 | 5.16 | 5.59 |
| | Barium (Ba) (mg/kg) | | 117 | 131 | 182 | 173 | 186 |
| | Beryllium (Be) (mg/kg) | | <0.20 | 0.24 | 0.28 | 0.24 | 0.31 |
| | Cadmium (Cd) (mg/kg) | | 1.61 | 1.74 | 2.58 | 2.28 | 2.57 |
| | Chromium (Cr) (mg/kg) | | 101 | 112 | 131 | 135 | 134 |
| | Cobalt (Co) (mg/kg) | | 8.46 | 8.36 | 10.8 | 9.63 | 10.8 |
| | Copper (Cu) (mg/kg) | | 355 | 372 | 615 | 582 | 678 |
| | Lead (Pb) (mg/kg) | | 88.1 | 97.9 | 179 | 162 | 184 |
| | Mercury (Hg) (mg/kg) | | 0.085 | 0.085 | 0.150 | 0.128 | 0.154 |
| | Molybdenum (Mo) (mg/kg) | | 11.0 | 11.5 | 21.0 | 19.7 | 22.8 |
| | Nickel (Ni) (mg/kg) | | 29.4 | 28.7 | 37.5 | 36.3 | 39.3 |
| | Selenium (Se) (mg/kg) | | 0.98 | 1.18 | 1.11 | 1.07 | 1.30 |
| | Silver (Ag) (mg/kg) | | 0.39 | 0.34 | 0.58 | 0.57 | 0.73 |
| | Thallium (Tl) (mg/kg) | | 0.090 | 0.097 | 0.144 | 0.127 | 0.149 |
| | Tin (Sn) (mg/kg) | | 23.3 | 27.9 | 47.3 | 42.1 | 52.5 |
| | Uranium (U) (mg/kg) | | 0.473 | 0.500 | 0.702 | 0.648 | 0.723 |
| Vanadium (V) (mg/kg) | | 46.2 | 48.3 | 67.6 | 61.0 | 68.4 | |
| Zinc (Zn) (mg/kg) | | 616 | 685 | 1010 | 950 | 1110 | |
| TCLP Extractables | Benzo(a)pyrene (mg/L) | | | | | | |
| | 1st Preliminary PH (pH) | | | | | | |
| | 2nd Preliminary PH (pH) | | | | | | |
| | Extraction Solution Initial pH (pH) | | | | | | |
| | Final pH (pH) | | | | | | |
| TCLP Metals | Chromium (Cr)-Leachable (mg/L) | | | | | | |
| | Lead (Pb)-Leachable (mg/L) | | | | | | |
| Volatile Organic Compounds | Benzene (mg/kg) | | | | 0.038 ^{ABL} | | |
| | Bromodichloromethane (mg/kg) | | | | <0.10 | | |
| | Bromoform (mg/kg) | | | | <0.10 | | |
| | Carbon Tetrachloride (mg/kg) | | | | <0.10 | | |
| | Chlorobenzene (mg/kg) | | | | <0.10 | | |

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| Sample ID | L1341753-9 | | | | |
|------------------------------|-------------------------------------|-----------|--|--|--|
| Description | Sediment | | | | |
| Sampled Date | 31-JUL-13 | | | | |
| Sampled Time | | | | | |
| Client ID | 6513-9 | | | | |
| Grouping | Analyte | | | | |
| SOIL | | | | | |
| Physical Tests | Moisture (%) | 68.8 | | | |
| | pH (1:2 soil:water) (pH) | 6.26 | | | |
| Saturated Paste Extractables | Chloride (Cl) (mg/kg) | | | | |
| | % Saturation (%) | | | | |
| | Sodium (Na) (mg/kg) | | | | |
| Metals | Antimony (Sb) (mg/kg) | 63.9 | | | |
| | Arsenic (As) (mg/kg) | 6.83 | | | |
| | Barium (Ba) (mg/kg) | 205 | | | |
| | Beryllium (Be) (mg/kg) | 0.33 | | | |
| | Cadmium (Cd) (mg/kg) | 3.28 | | | |
| | Chromium (Cr) (mg/kg) | 135 | | | |
| | Cobalt (Co) (mg/kg) | 14.0 | | | |
| | Copper (Cu) (mg/kg) | 644 | | | |
| | Lead (Pb) (mg/kg) | 241 | | | |
| | Mercury (Hg) (mg/kg) | 0.183 | | | |
| | Molybdenum (Mo) (mg/kg) | 28.0 | | | |
| | Nickel (Ni) (mg/kg) | 45.9 | | | |
| | Selenium (Se) (mg/kg) | 0.92 | | | |
| | Silver (Ag) (mg/kg) | 0.76 | | | |
| | Thallium (Tl) (mg/kg) | 0.162 | | | |
| | Tin (Sn) (mg/kg) | 42.3 | | | |
| | Uranium (U) (mg/kg) | 0.846 | | | |
| | Vanadium (V) (mg/kg) | 75.5 | | | |
| Zinc (Zn) (mg/kg) | 1150 | | | | |
| TCLP Extractables | Benzo(a)pyrene (mg/L) | <0.000050 | | | |
| | 1st Preliminary PH (pH) | 7.13 | | | |
| | 2nd Preliminary PH (pH) | 1.38 | | | |
| | Extraction Solution Initial pH (pH) | 4.95 | | | |
| | Final pH (pH) | 5.05 | | | |
| TCLP Metals | Chromium (Cr)-Leachable (mg/L) | <0.25 | | | |
| | Lead (Pb)-Leachable (mg/L) | <0.25 | | | |
| Volatile Organic Compounds | Benzene (mg/kg) | | | | |
| | Bromodichloromethane (mg/kg) | | | | |
| | Bromoform (mg/kg) | | | | |
| | Carbon Tetrachloride (mg/kg) | | | | |
| | Chlorobenzene (mg/kg) | | | | |

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Reference Information

QC Samples with Qualifiers & Comments:

| QC Type Description | Parameter | Qualifier | Applies to Sample Number(s) |
|---------------------------|-------------------------------|-----------|--------------------------------|
| Duplicate | Silver (Ag) | DUP-H,J | L1341753-2, -3, -4, -6, -7, -9 |
| Laboratory Control Sample | Hexachlorocyclohexane (Total) | LCS-ND | L1341753-4 |
| Laboratory Control Sample | Hexachloroethane | LCS-ND | L1341753-4 |

Qualifiers for Individual Parameters Listed:

| Qualifier | Description |
|-----------|--|
| ABL | Approximate Result: May Be Biased Low |
| DLA | Detection Limit Adjusted For required dilution |
| DLHM | Detection Limit Adjusted: Sample has High Moisture Content |
| DLM | Detection Limit Adjusted For Sample Matrix Effects |
| DUP-H,J | Duplicate results outside ALS DQO, due to sample heterogeneity. Duplicate results and limits are expressed in terms of absolute difference. |
| LCS-ND | Lab Control Sample recovery was slightly outside ALS DQO. Reported non-detect results for associated samples were unaffected. |
| LSRA | Low surrogate recovery observed due to adsorptive material in sample (e.g. charcoal). Associated results represent solvent extractable concentrations. |

Test Method References:

| ALS Test Code | Matrix | Test Description | Method Reference** |
|---|--------|--|--|
| CL-PASTE-COLOR-VA | Soil | Chloride in Soil (Paste) by Colourimetry | Carter-CSSS / APHA 4500-Cl E _d (modified) |
| A soil extract produced by the saturated paste extraction procedure is analyzed for chloride by ferricyanide colourimetry. | | | |
| CLH-SOX-MS-VA | Soil | Chlorinated Hydrocarbons in Soil by GCMS | 3510, 3610, 8121 SW-846 AND 8270 EPA |
| This analysis is carried out using procedures adapted from "Test Methods for Evaluating Solid Waste" SW-846, Methods 3540, 3610, 8270, published by the United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA). The procedure uses a Soxhlet system to extract a subsample of the sediment/soil with dichloromethane. The final extract is analysed by capillary column gas chromatography with mass spectrometric detection (GC/MS). Hexachlorocyclohexanes includes the alpha, beta, gamma, and delta isomers | | | |
| CLPHEN-TMB-MS-VA | Soil | Chlorinated Phenols by Tumbler/GCMS | EPA 3570, 8270, Knapp(1979) |
| A subsample of the soil/sediment is rotary extracted by solvent, derivitized, and analysed by GC/MS. | | | |
| EPH-TUMB-FID-VA | Soil | EPH in Solids by Tumbler and GCFID | BC MOE EPH GCFID |
| Analysis is in accordance with BC MOE Lab Manual method "Extractable Petroleum Hydrocarbons in Solids by GC/FID", v2.1, July 1999. Soil samples are extracted with a 1:1 mixture of hexane and acetone using a rotary extraction technique modified from EPA 3570 prior to gas chromatography with flame ionization detection (GC-FID). EPH results include Polycyclic Aromatic Hydrocarbons (PAH) and are therefore not equivalent to Light and Heavy Extractable Petroleum Hydrocarbons (LEPH/HEPH). | | | |
| HG-200.2-CVAF-VA | Soil | Mercury in Soil by CVAFS | EPA 200.2/245.7 |
| This analysis is carried out using procedures from CSR Analytical Method: "Strong Acid Leachable Metals (SALM) in Soil", BC Ministry of Environment, 26 June 2009, and procedures adapted from EPA Method 200.2. The sample is manually homogenized, dried at 60 degrees Celsius, sieved through a 2 mm (10 mesh) sieve (this sieve step is omitted for international soil samples), and a representative subsample of the dry material is weighed. The sample is then digested at 95 degrees Celsius for 2 hours by block digester using concentrated nitric and hydrochloric acids. Instrumental analysis is by atomic fluorescence spectrophotometry or atomic absorption spectrophotometry(EPA Method 245.7). | | | |
| Method Limitation: This method is not a total digestion technique. It is a very strong acid digestion that is intended to dissolve those metals that may be environmentally available. By design, elements bound in silicate structures are not normally dissolved by this procedure as they are not usually mobile in the environment. | | | |
| LEPH/HEPH-CALC-VA | Soil | LEPHs and HEPHs | BC MOE LABORATORY MANUAL (2005) |
| Light and Heavy Extractable Petroleum Hydrocarbons in Solids. These results are determined according to the British Columbia Ministry of Environment, Lands, and Parks Analytical Method for Contaminated Sites "Calculation of Light and Heavy Extractable Petroleum Hydrocarbons in Solids or Water". According to this method, LEPH and HEPH are calculated by subtracting selected Polycyclic Aromatic Hydrocarbon results from Extractable Petroleum Hydrocarbon results. To calculate LEPH, the individual results for Naphthalene and Phenanthrene are subtracted from EPH(C10-19). To calculate HEPH, the individual results for Benz(a)anthracene, Benzo(b)fluoranthene, Benzo(k)fluoranthene, Benzo(a)pyrene, Dibenz(a,h)anthracene, Indeno(1,2,3-c,d)pyrene, and Pyrene are subtracted from EPH(C10-32). Analysis of Extractable Petroleum Hydrocarbons adheres to all prescribed elements of the BCMELP method "Extractable Petroleum Hydrocarbons in Solids by GC/FID" (Version 2.1, July 20, 1999). | | | |
| MET-200.2-CCMS-VA | Soil | Metals in Soil by CRC ICPMS | EPA 200.2/6020A |
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| | | | |
|---|------|--|---|
| MET-TCLP-ICP-VA | Soil | Metals by ICPOES (TCLP) | EPA 1311/6010B |
| <p>This analysis is carried out in accordance with the extraction procedure outlined in "Test Methods for Evaluating Solid Waste - Physical/Chemical Methods Volume 1C" SW-846 EPA Method 1311, published by the United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA). In summary, the sample is extracted at a 20:1 liquid to solids ratio for 16 to 20 hours using either extraction fluid #1 (glacial acetic acid, water and sodium hydroxide) or extraction fluid #2 (glacial acetic acid), depending on the pH of the original sample. The extract is then filtered through a 0.6 to 0.8 micron glass fibre filter and analysed using inductively coupled plasma - optical emission spectrophotometry (EPA Method 6010B).</p> | | | |
| MOISTURE-VA | Soil | Moisture content | ASTM D2974-00 Method A |
| <p>This analysis is carried out gravimetrically by drying the sample at 105 C for a minimum of six hours.</p> | | | |
| PAH-TCLP-SF-MS-VA | Soil | PAH's IN TCLP LEACHATE | EPA 3510/8270 LIQ-LIQ GCMS |
| <p>The sample is extracted at a 20:1 liquid to solids ratio for 16 to 20 hours using either extraction fluid #1 (acetic acid, water and sodium hydroxide) or extraction fluid #2 (acetic acid and water) depending on the pH of the original sample. The extract is filtered and then extracted with dichloromethane. The extract is solvent exchanged to toluene prior to analysis by capillary column gas chromatography with mass spectrometric detection (GC/MS). Because the two isomers cannot be readily chromatographically separated, benzo(j)fluoranthene is reported as part of the benzo(b)fluoranthene parameter.</p> | | | |
| PAH-TMB-H/A-MS-VA | Soil | PAH - Rotary Extraction (Hexane/Acetone) | EPA 3570/8270 |
| <p>This analysis is carried out using procedures adapted from "Test Methods for Evaluating Solid Waste" SW-846, Methods 3545 & 8270, published by the United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA). The procedure uses a mechanical shaking technique to extract a subsample of the sediment/soil with a 1:1 mixture of hexane and acetone. The extract is then solvent exchanged to toluene. The final extract is analysed by capillary column gas chromatography with mass spectrometric detection (GC/MS). Surrogate recoveries may not be reported in cases where interferences from the sample matrix prevent accurate quantitation. Because the two isomers cannot be readily chromatographically separated, benzo(j)fluoranthene is reported as part of the benzo(b)fluoranthene parameter.</p> | | | |
| PCB-SE-ECD-VA | Soil | PCB by Extraction with GCECD | EPA8082, 3630 |
| <p>This analysis is carried out using procedures adapted from "Test Methods for Evaluating Solid Waste" SW-846, Methods 3500, 3620, 3630, 3660, 3685 & 8082, published by the United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA). The procedure involves a solid-liquid extraction of a subsample of the sediment/soil using a mixture of hexane and acetone. Water is added to the extract and the resulting hexane extract undergoes one or more of the following clean-up procedures (if required): florisil clean-up, silica gel clean-up, sulphur clean-up and/or sulphuric acid clean-up. The final extract is analysed by capillary column gas chromatography with electron capture detection (GC/ECD).</p> | | | |
| PCB-SUM-CALC-VA | Soil | Total PCBs in soil | CALCULATION |
| <p>Calculation of Total PCB. Total PCB is the sum of the concentrations of PCB aroclors 1018, 1221, 1232, 1242, 1248, 1254, 1260, 1262, and 1268. Results below detection limit (DL) are treated as zero. The Total PCB detection limit is equal to the highest of the aroclor detection limits used in the sum.</p> | | | |
| PH-1:2-VA | Soil | pH in Soil (1:2 Soil:Water Extraction) | BC WLAP METHOD: PH, ELECTROMETRIC, SOIL |
| <p>This analysis is carried out in accordance with procedures described in the pH, Electrometric in Soil and Sediment method - Section B Physical/Inorganic and Misc. Constituents, BC Environmental Laboratory Manual 2007. The procedure involves mixing the dried (at <60°C) and sieved (No. 10 / 2mm) sample with deionized/distilled water at a 1:2 ratio of sediment to water. The pH of the solution is then measured using a standard pH probe.</p> | | | |
| PHEN-TMB-MS-VA | Soil | Phenolics by Tumbler/GC-MS | EPA 3570 & 8270, Knapp (1979) |
| <p>A subsample of the soil/sediment is rotary extracted by solvent, derivitized, and analysed by GC/MS.</p> | | | |
| PHTHALATE-ED | Soil | Phthalates | EPA 3540/8270-GC/MS |
| SAR-CALC-MGKG-ICP-VA | Soil | SAR in Soil (Paste) by ICPOES | Carter-CSSS / EPA 6010B (modified) |
| <p>A soil extract produced by the saturated paste extraction procedure is analyzed for Sodium, Calcium, and Magnesium by ICPOES. Sodium Adsorption Ratio (SAR) is calculated as per "Soil Sampling and Methods of Analysis" by M. Carter.</p> | | | |
| SAT-PCNT-VA | Soil | Saturation Percentage | Carter-CSSS |
| <p>Saturation Percentage (SP) is the total volume of water present in a saturated paste (in mL) divided by the dry weight of the sample (in grams), expressed as a percentage, as described in "Soil Sampling and Methods of Analysis" by M. Carter.</p> | | | |
| VOC-HSMS-VA | Soil | VOCs in soil by Headspace GCMS | EPA8260B, 5021, 5035, BC MOE |
| <p>The soil methanol extract is added to water and reagents, then heated in a sealed vial to equilibrium. The headspace from the vial is transferred into a gas chromatograph. Target compound concentrations are measured using mass spectrometry detection.</p> | | | |
| VOC7-L-HSMS-VA | Soil | VOCs in soil by Headspace GCMS | EPA8260B, 5021, 5035, BC MOE |
| <p>The soil methanol extract is added to water and reagents, then heated in a sealed vial to equilibrium. The headspace from the vial is transferred into a gas chromatograph. Target compound concentrations are measured using mass spectrometry detection.</p> | | | |
| VOC7/VOC-SURR-MS-VA | Soil | VOC7 and/or VOC Surrogates for Soils | EPA METHODS 8260B & 524.2 |

Reference Information

XYLENES-CALC-VA Soil Sum of Xylene Isomer Concentrations EPA 8260B & 524.2

Calculation of Total Xylenes

Total Xylenes is the sum of the concentrations of the ortho, meta, and para Xylene isomers. Results below detection limit (DL) are treated as zero. The DL for Total Xylenes is set to a value no less than the square root of the sum of the squares of the DLs of the individual Xylenes.

** ALS test methods may incorporate modifications from specified reference methods to improve performance.

The last two letters of the above test code(s) indicate the laboratory that performed analytical analysis for that test. Refer to the list below:

| Laboratory Definition Code | Laboratory Location |
|----------------------------|---|
| ED | ALS ENVIRONMENTAL - EDMONTON, ALBERTA, CANADA |
| VA | ALS ENVIRONMENTAL - VANCOUVER, BRITISH COLUMBIA, CANADA |

Chain of Custody Numbers:

10-340088 10-340089

GLOSSARY OF REPORT TERMS

Surrogate - A compound that is similar in behaviour to target analyte(s), but that does not occur naturally in environmental samples. For applicable tests, surrogates are added to samples prior to analysis as a check on recovery.

mg/kg - milligrams per kilogram based on dry weight of sample.

mg/kg wwt - milligrams per kilogram based on wet weight of sample.

mg/kg lwt - milligrams per kilogram based on lipid-adjusted weight of sample.

mg/L - milligrams per litre.

< - Less than.

D.L. - The reported Detection Limit, also known as the Limit of Reporting (LOR).

N/A - Result not available. Refer to qualifier code and definition for explanation.

Test results reported relate only to the samples as received by the laboratory.

UNLESS OTHERWISE STATED, ALL SAMPLES WERE RECEIVED IN ACCEPTABLE CONDITION.

Analytical results in unsigned test reports with the DRAFT watermark are subject to change, pending final QC review.

Appendix C: Rainfall Records During Lost Lagoon Wetland Site Visits

Blue stars indicate the dates when sampling was performed at the Lost Lagoon wetland.

Data was retrieved from the Vancouver Harbour Weather Station (Environment Canada, 2016)



Figure 95. Rainfall Recorded for Downtown Vancouver Between July 1 and July 15, 2015

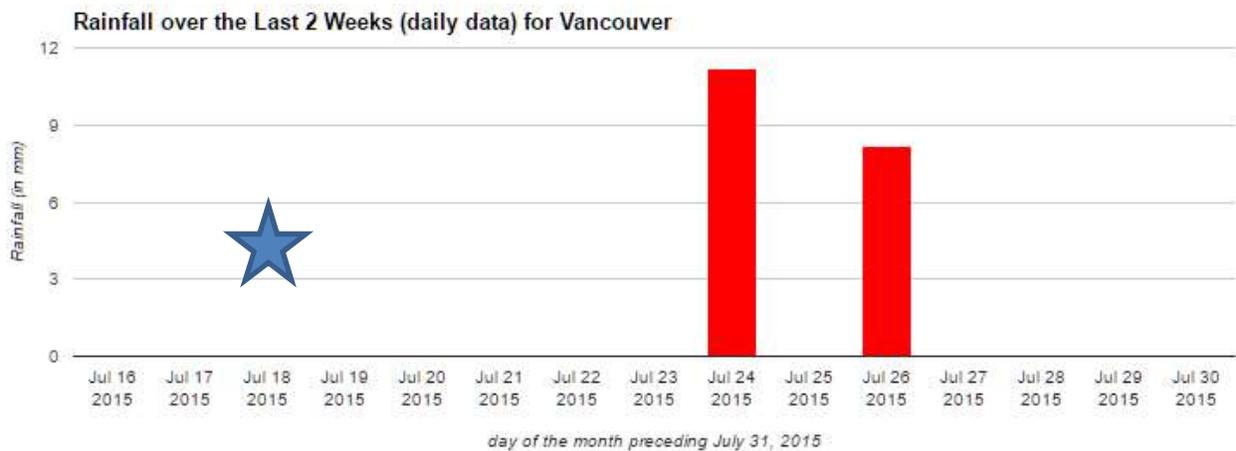


Figure 96. Rainfall Recorded for Downtown Vancouver Between July 15 and July 30, 2015

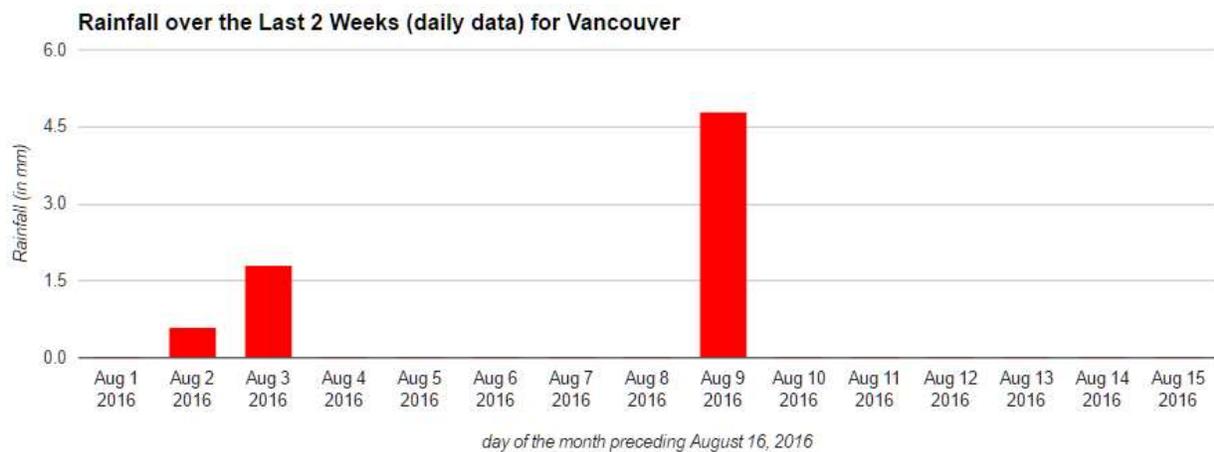


Figure 97. Rainfall Recorded for Downtown Vancouver between August 1 and August 15

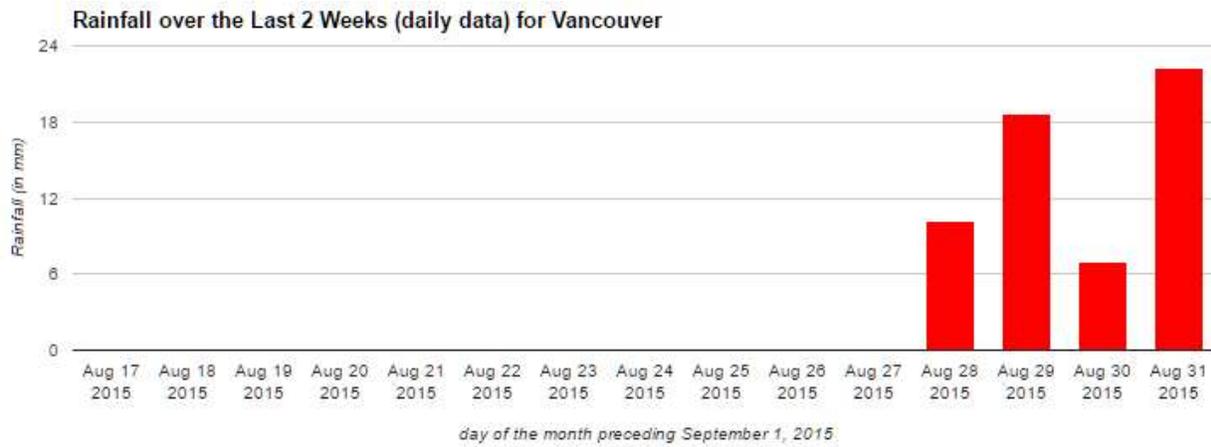


Figure 98. Rainfall Recorded for Downtown Vancouver Between August 17 and August 31, 2015

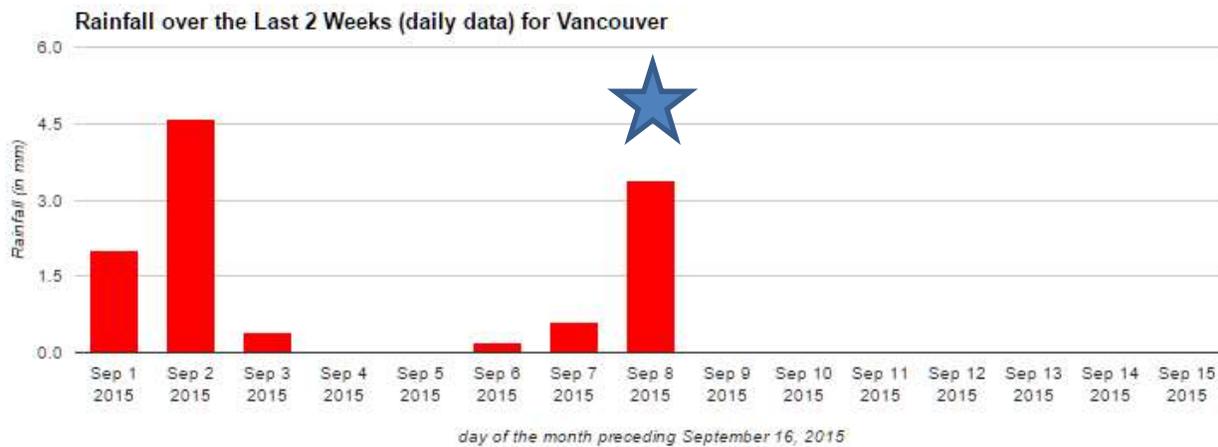


Figure 99. Rainfall Recorded for Downtown Vancouver Between September 1 and September 15, 2015

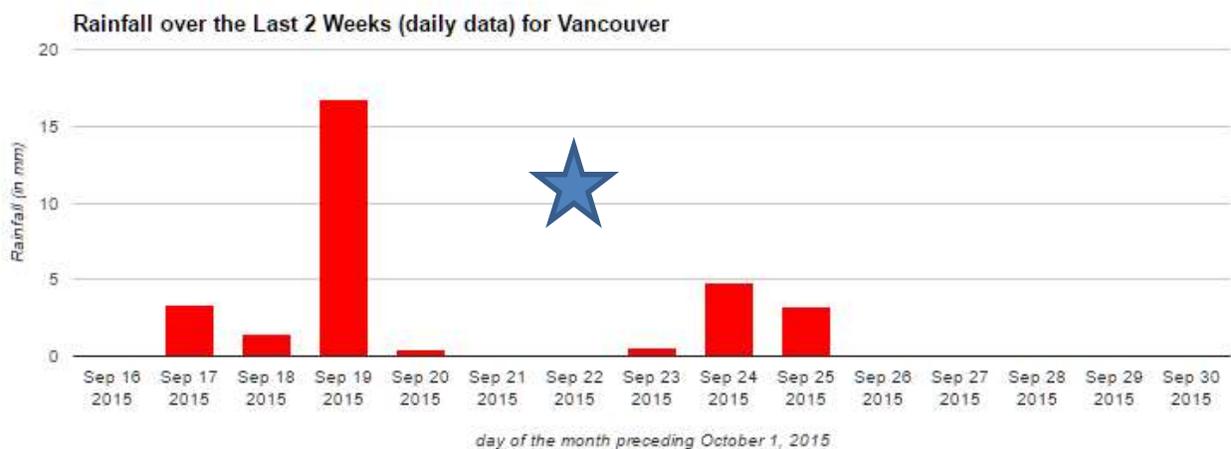


Figure 100. Rainfall Recorded for Downtown Vancouver Between September 16 and September 30, 2015

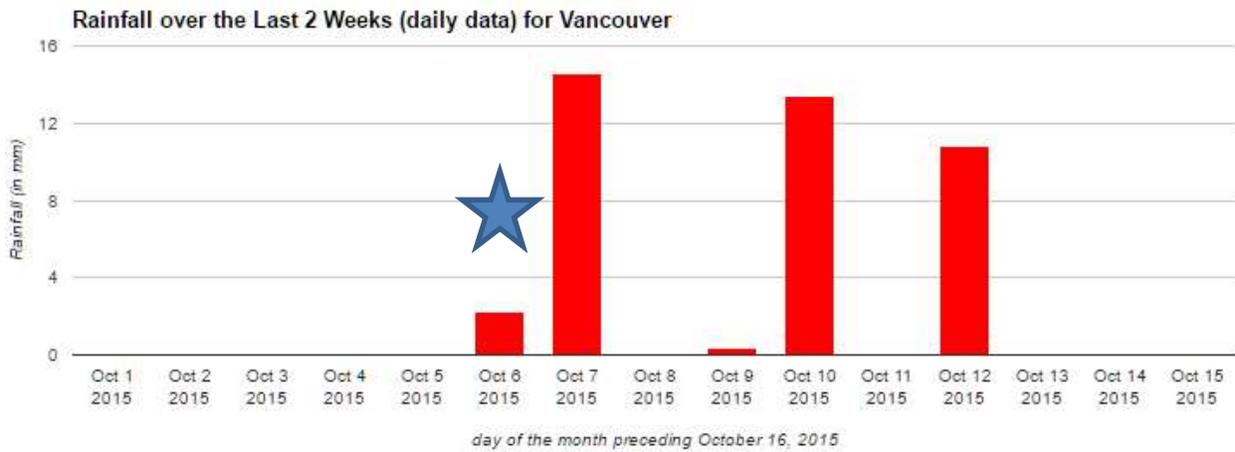


Figure 101. Rainfall Recorded for Downtown Vancouver Between October 1 and October 15, 2015

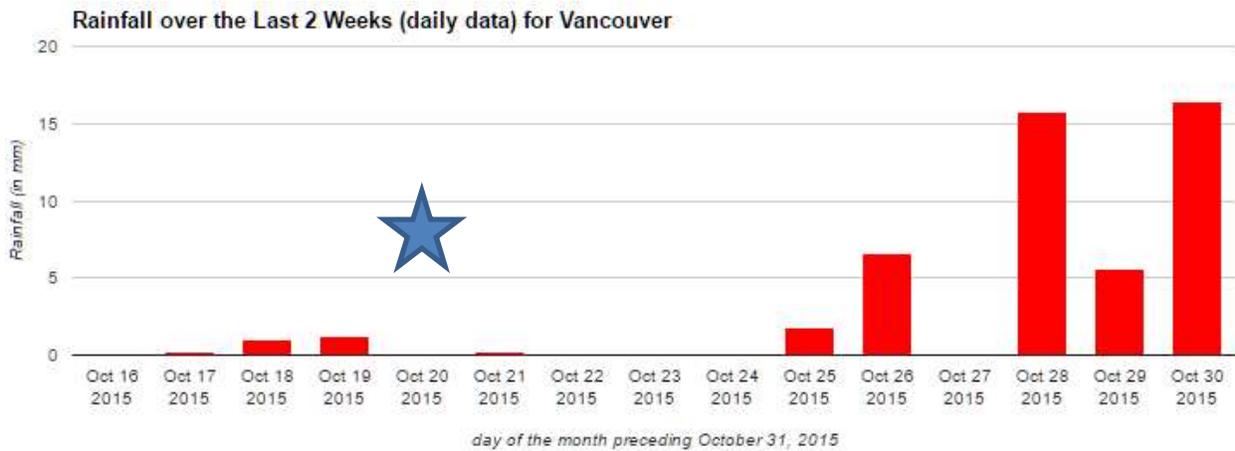


Figure 102. Rainfall Recorded for Downtown Vancouver Between October 16 and October 30, 2015

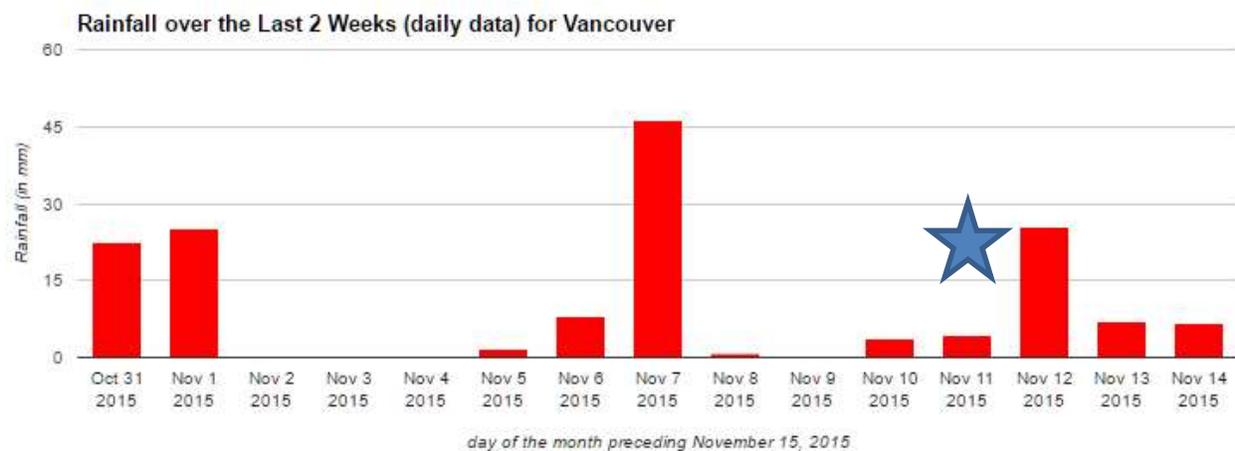


Figure 103. Rainfall Recorded for Downtown Vancouver Between October 31 and November 14, 2015

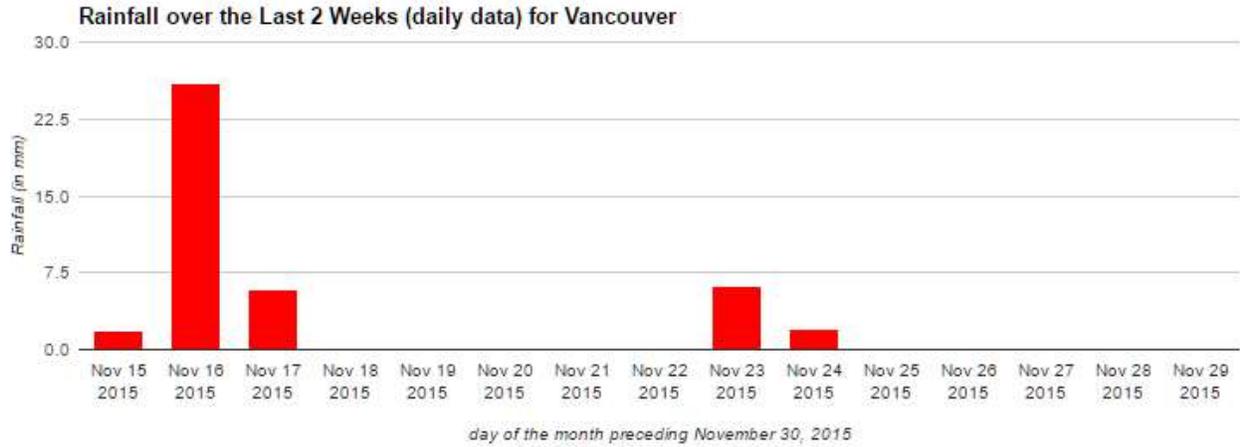


Figure 104. Rainfall Recorded for Downtown Vancouver Between November 15 and November 29, 2015

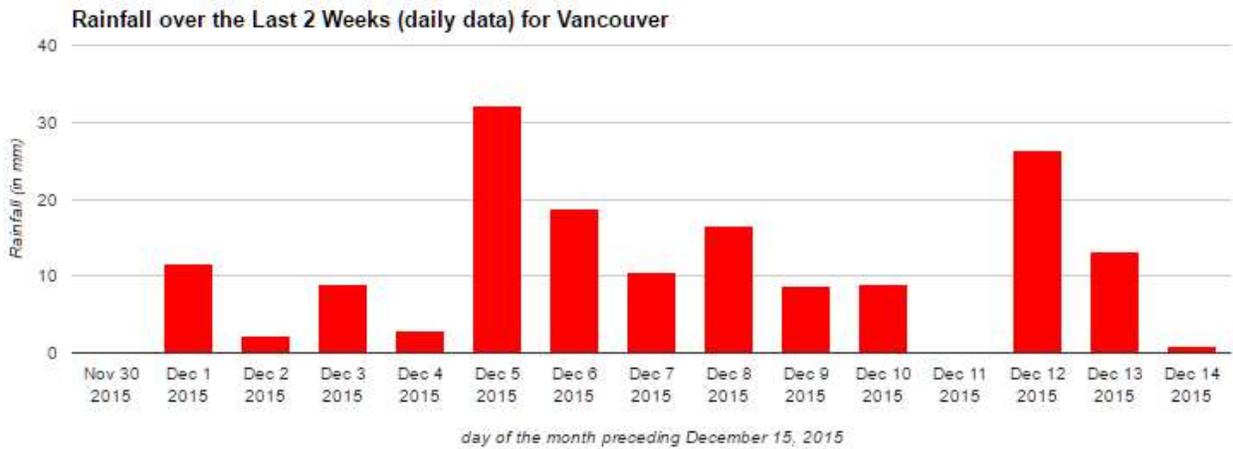


Figure 105. Rainfall Recorded for Downtown Vancouver Between November 30 and December 14, 2015

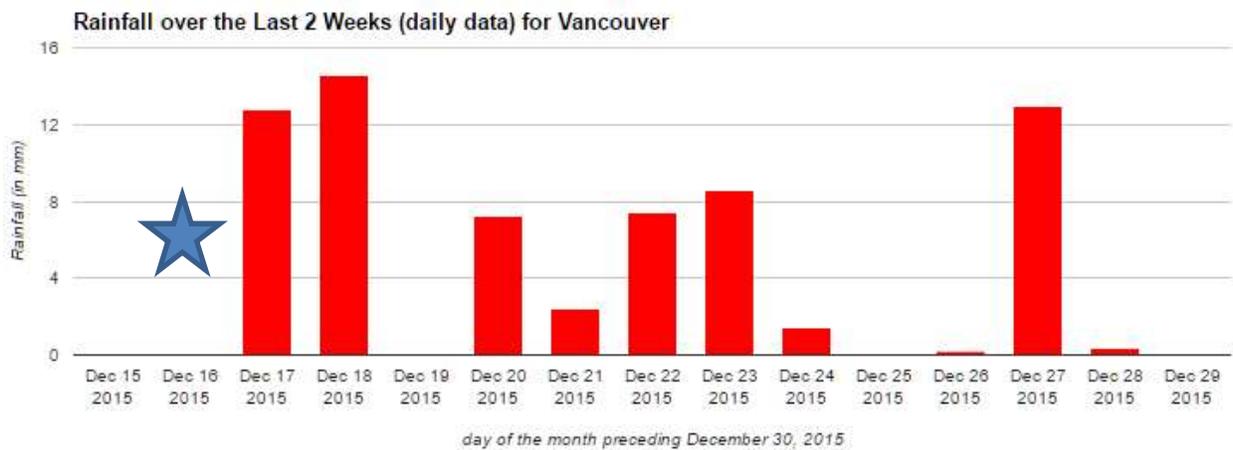


Figure 106. Rainfall Recorded for Downtown Vancouver Between December 15 and December 29, 2015

Appendix D: Temperature Records During Lost Lagoon Wetland Site Visits

Bold fonts indicate the dates when sampling was performed at the Lost Lagoon wetland.

Data was retrieved from the Vancouver Harbour Weather Station (Environment Canada, 2016)

Table 48. Environment Canada Temperature Records for July 1, 2015 through August 31, 2015

| Date | Maximum | Mean | Minimum | Date | Maximum | Mean | Minimum |
|--------------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|-------------|---------|---------|---------|
| Jul 1 2015 | 23.9 °C | 20.6 °C | 17.2 °C | Aug 1 2015 | 24.3 °C | 20.6 °C | 16.8 °C |
| Jul 2 2015 | 24.6 °C | 21.2 °C | 17.8 °C | Aug 2 2015 | 23.9 °C | 20.7 °C | 17.5 °C |
| Jul 3 2015 | 24.8 °C | 20.7 °C | 16.5 °C | Aug 3 2015 | 23.2 °C | 18.8 °C | 14.4 °C |
| Jul 4 2015 | 24.6 °C | 20.7 °C | 16.7 °C | Aug 4 2015 | 22.5 °C | 19.2 °C | 15.9 °C |
| Jul 5 2015 | 25.6 °C | 20.9 °C | 16.2 °C | Aug 5 2015 | 19.3 °C | 16.9 °C | 14.4 °C |
| Jul 6 2015 | 27.1 °C | 21.8 °C | 16.5 °C | Aug 6 2015 | 22.4 °C | 18.4 °C | 14.4 °C |
| Jul 7 2015 | 22.7 °C | 18.6 °C | 14.4 °C | Aug 7 2015 | 23.2 °C | 18.4 °C | 13.6 °C |
| Jul 8 2015 | 23.8 °C | 19.5 °C | 15.2 °C | Aug 8 2015 | 21.8 °C | 18.7 °C | 15.6 °C |
| Jul 9 2015 | 26.0 °C | 20.4 °C | 14.7 °C | Aug 9 2015 | 23.4 °C | 19.6 °C | 15.8 °C |
| Jul 10 2015 | 22.9 °C | 19.5 °C | 16.0 °C | Aug 10 2015 | 22.6 °C | 18.5 °C | 14.4 °C |
| Jul 11 2015 | 18.7 °C | 17.3 °C | 15.9 °C | Aug 11 2015 | 24.1 °C | 19.4 °C | 14.6 °C |
| Jul 12 2015 | 24.2 °C | 20.1 °C | 16.0 °C | Aug 12 2015 | 26.8 °C | 22.0 °C | 17.1 °C |
| Jul 13 2015 | 21.8 °C | 19.3 °C | 16.7 °C | Aug 13 2015 | 24.3 °C | 20.1 °C | 15.8 °C |
| Jul 14 2015 | 22.3 °C | 18.1 °C | 13.8 °C | Aug 14 2015 | 18.8 °C | 16.9 °C | 15.0 °C |
| Jul 15 2015 | 23.1 °C | 18.5 °C | 13.8 °C | Aug 15 2015 | 20.6 °C | 17.6 °C | 14.5 °C |
| Jul 16 2015 | 21.9 °C | 18.9 °C | 15.9 °C | Aug 16 2015 | 22.2 °C | 18.4 °C | 14.5 °C |
| Jul 17 2015 | 22.9 °C | 18.2 °C | 13.4 °C | Aug 17 2015 | 21.8 °C | 17.0 °C | 12.2 °C |
| Jul 18 2015 | 26.4 °C | 21.5 °C | 16.5 °C | Aug 18 2015 | 22.8 °C | 18.4 °C | 14.0 °C |
| Jul 19 2015 | 27.3 °C | 22.6 °C | 17.8 °C | Aug 19 2015 | 24.6 °C | 20.6 °C | 16.5 °C |
| Jul 20 2015 | 24.3 °C | 20.4 °C | 16.5 °C | Aug 20 2015 | 22.4 °C | 18.9 °C | 15.3 °C |
| Jul 21 2015 | 22.7 °C | 19.5 °C | 16.2 °C | Aug 21 2015 | 21.0 °C | 17.7 °C | 14.3 °C |
| Jul 22 2015 | 22.5 °C | 18.2 °C | 13.8 °C | Aug 22 2015 | 24.0 °C | 17.3 °C | 10.6 °C |
| Jul 23 2015 | 23.4 °C | 17.7 °C | 12.0 °C | Aug 23 2015 | 22.7 °C | 17.2 °C | 11.7 °C |
| Jul 24 2015 | 18.1 °C | 16.2 °C | 14.2 °C | Aug 24 2015 | 22.8 °C | 17.9 °C | 12.9 °C |
| Jul 25 2015 | 21.8 °C | 17.9 °C | 14.0 °C | Aug 25 2015 | 20.2 °C | 16.0 °C | 11.7 °C |
| Jul 26 2015 | 18.3 °C | 16.1 °C | 13.9 °C | Aug 26 2015 | 21.8 °C | 16.8 °C | 11.7 °C |
| Jul 27 2015 | 21.4 °C | 17.3 °C | 13.1 °C | Aug 27 2015 | 25.4 °C | 20.1 °C | 14.7 °C |
| Jul 28 2015 | 22.4 °C | 18.1 °C | 13.7 °C | Aug 28 2015 | 21.5 °C | 18.3 °C | 15.0 °C |
| Jul 29 2015 | 24.2 °C | 19.5 °C | 14.7 °C | Aug 29 2015 | 21.4 °C | 18.3 °C | 15.1 °C |
| Jul 30 2015 | 26.4 °C | 20.2 °C | 14.0 °C | Aug 30 2015 | 20.2 °C | 16.9 °C | 13.6 °C |
| | | | | Aug 31 2015 | 16.5 °C | 15.4 °C | 14.2 °C |

Table 49. Environment Canada Temperature Records for September 1, 2015 through October 31, 2015

| Date | Maximum | Mean | Minimum | Date | Maximum | Mean | Minimum |
|--------------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|--------------------|----------------|----------------|---------------|
| Sep 1 2015 | 16.2 °C | 15.0 °C | 13.7 °C | Oct 1 2015 | 15.0 °C | 11.5 °C | 8.0 °C |
| Sep 2 2015 | 17.0 °C | 13.4 °C | 9.8 °C | Oct 2 2015 | 14.6 °C | 11.9 °C | 9.1 °C |
| Sep 3 2015 | 16.4 °C | 13.3 °C | 10.2 °C | Oct 3 2015 | 15.9 °C | 11.4 °C | 6.8 °C |
| Sep 4 2015 | 16.9 °C | 12.3 °C | 7.6 °C | Oct 4 2015 | 16.9 °C | 11.5 °C | 6.1 °C |
| Sep 5 2015 | 18.8 °C | 13.6 °C | 8.4 °C | Oct 5 2015 | 16.4 °C | 11.4 °C | 6.3 °C |
| Sep 6 2015 | 16.7 °C | 14.3 °C | 11.9 °C | Oct 6 2015 | 17.7 °C | 12.8 °C | 7.8 °C |
| Sep 7 2015 | 20.3 °C | 15.9 °C | 11.5 °C | Oct 7 2015 | 15.4 °C | 14.3 °C | 13.1 °C |
| Sep 8 2015 | 19.8 °C | 16.8 °C | 13.8 °C | Oct 8 2015 | 17.2 °C | 15.2 °C | 13.1 °C |
| Sep 9 2015 | 22.7 °C | 18.5 °C | 14.3 °C | Oct 9 2015 | 18.8 °C | 15.3 °C | 11.8 °C |
| Sep 10 2015 | 20.2 °C | 16.2 °C | 12.1 °C | Oct 10 2015 | 17.8 °C | 15.8 °C | 13.8 °C |
| Sep 11 2015 | 20.1 °C | 16.8 °C | 13.5 °C | Oct 11 2015 | 15.6 °C | 12.1 °C | 8.6 °C |
| Sep 12 2015 | 20.6 °C | 17.7 °C | 14.8 °C | Oct 12 2015 | 13.2 °C | 12.2 °C | 11.1 °C |
| Sep 13 2015 | 17.6 °C | 15.7 °C | 13.8 °C | Oct 13 2015 | 14.5 °C | 11.4 °C | 8.2 °C |
| Sep 14 2015 | 15.7 °C | 12.1 °C | 8.5 °C | Oct 14 2015 | 13.1 °C | 9.7 °C | 6.2 °C |
| Sep 15 2015 | 17.1 °C | 13.7 °C | 10.3 °C | Oct 15 2015 | 14.6 °C | 10.3 °C | 6.0 °C |
| Sep 16 2015 | 19.2 °C | 14.6 °C | 9.9 °C | Oct 16 2015 | 15.4 °C | 10.1 °C | 4.7 °C |
| Sep 17 2015 | 18.1 °C | 15.3 °C | 12.4 °C | Oct 17 2015 | 16.5 °C | 13.4 °C | 10.2 °C |
| Sep 18 2015 | 16.8 °C | 14.6 °C | 12.4 °C | Oct 18 2015 | 14.3 °C | 13.4 °C | 12.4 °C |
| Sep 19 2015 | 17.1 °C | 15.5 °C | 13.9 °C | Oct 19 2015 | 14.5 °C | 12.6 °C | 10.6 °C |
| Sep 20 2015 | 20.6 °C | 16.7 °C | 12.8 °C | Oct 20 2015 | 14.4 °C | 11.6 °C | 8.7 °C |
| Sep 21 2015 | 15.9 °C | 12.2 °C | 8.5 °C | Oct 21 2015 | 13.8 °C | 10.0 °C | 6.2 °C |
| Sep 22 2015 | 16.8 °C | 12.0 °C | 7.2 °C | Oct 22 2015 | 13.0 °C | 10.0 °C | 6.9 °C |
| Sep 23 2015 | 18.2 °C | 12.1 °C | 6.0 °C | Oct 23 2015 | 12.5 °C | 8.9 °C | 5.2 °C |
| Sep 24 2015 | 17.5 °C | 14.2 °C | 10.8 °C | Oct 24 2015 | 12.2 °C | 8.2 °C | 4.1 °C |
| Sep 25 2015 | 15.6 °C | 12.4 °C | 9.2 °C | Oct 25 2015 | 13.5 °C | 11.0 °C | 8.4 °C |
| Sep 26 2015 | 15.5 °C | 11.4 °C | 7.2 °C | Oct 26 2015 | 14.5 °C | 11.8 °C | 9.0 °C |
| Sep 27 2015 | 14.9 °C | 10.5 °C | 6.1 °C | Oct 27 2015 | 14.0 °C | 9.8 °C | 5.5 °C |
| Sep 28 2015 | 15.7 °C | 10.8 °C | 5.9 °C | Oct 28 2015 | 12.0 °C | 10.6 °C | 9.2 °C |
| Sep 29 2015 | 16.6 °C | 11.8 °C | 7.0 °C | Oct 29 2015 | 15.4 °C | 12.7 °C | 10.0 °C |
| Sep 30 2015 | 17.1 °C | 12.1 °C | 7.1 °C | Oct 30 2015 | 13.6 °C | 11.9 °C | 10.2 °C |
| | | | | Oct 31 2015 | 15.8 °C | 12.5 °C | 9.2 °C |

Table 50. Environment Canada Temperature Records for November 1, 2015 through December 31, 2015

| Date | Maximum | Mean | Minimum | Date | Maximum | Mean | Minimum |
|--------------------|----------------|---------------|---------------|--------------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|
| Nov 1 2015 | 11.6 °C | 9.4 °C | 7.1 °C | Dec 1 2015 | 10.8 °C | 8.0 °C | 5.2 °C |
| Nov 2 2015 | 10.8 °C | 7.7 °C | 4.6 °C | Dec 2 2015 | 11.0 °C | 8.9 °C | 6.8 °C |
| Nov 3 2015 | 10.1 °C | 6.2 °C | 2.3 °C | Dec 3 2015 | 13.9 °C | 10.5 °C | 7.1 °C |
| Nov 4 2015 | 8.7 °C | 5.5 °C | 2.2 °C | Dec 4 2015 | 10.4 °C | 7.4 °C | 4.4 °C |
| Nov 5 2015 | 10.9 °C | 7.8 °C | 4.6 °C | Dec 5 2015 | 9.4 °C | 8.2 °C | 6.9 °C |
| Nov 6 2015 | 10.6 °C | 7.9 °C | 5.2 °C | Dec 6 2015 | 10.7 °C | 9.1 °C | 7.4 °C |
| Nov 7 2015 | 11.1 °C | 9.4 °C | 7.7 °C | Dec 7 2015 | 10.3 °C | 9.4 °C | 8.5 °C |
| Nov 8 2015 | 10.3 °C | 7.9 °C | 5.4 °C | Dec 8 2015 | 13.8 °C | 11.0 °C | 8.1 °C |
| Nov 9 2015 | 9.6 °C | 6.1 °C | 2.5 °C | Dec 9 2015 | 10.6 °C | 8.6 °C | 6.5 °C |
| Nov 10 2015 | 8.9 °C | 5.0 °C | 1.0 °C | Dec 10 2015 | 10.8 °C | 8.3 °C | 5.8 °C |
| Nov 11 2015 | 10.2 °C | 7.1 °C | 4.0 °C | Dec 11 2015 | 11.3 °C | 7.0 °C | 2.6 °C |
| Nov 12 2015 | 9.2 °C | 6.2 °C | 3.2 °C | Dec 12 2015 | 8.7 °C | 5.1 °C | 1.5 °C |
| Nov 13 2015 | 12.2 °C | 10.1 °C | 8.0 °C | Dec 13 2015 | 8.6 °C | 7.3 °C | 5.9 °C |
| Nov 14 2015 | 8.9 °C | 7.7 °C | 6.4 °C | Dec 14 2015 | 6.7 °C | 4.3 °C | 1.8 °C |
| Nov 15 2015 | 8.1 °C | 7.0 °C | 5.8 °C | Dec 15 2015 | 5.3 °C | 3.6 °C | 1.8 °C |
| Nov 16 2015 | 6.9 °C | 3.3 °C | -0.3 °C | Dec 16 2015 | 5.3 °C | 2.7 °C | 0.1 °C |
| Nov 17 2015 | 13.1 °C | 9.3 °C | 5.5 °C | Dec 17 2015 | 3.4 °C | 2.1 °C | 0.8 °C |
| Nov 18 2015 | 7.5 °C | 5.5 °C | 3.4 °C | Dec 18 2015 | 8.5 °C | 5.7 °C | 2.9 °C |
| Nov 19 2015 | 6.7 °C | 2.7 °C | -1.4 °C | Dec 19 2015 | 7.3 °C | 5.4 °C | 3.5 °C |
| Nov 20 2015 | 6.1 °C | 1.5 °C | -3.1 °C | Dec 20 2015 | 7.6 °C | 5.0 °C | 2.3 °C |
| Nov 21 2015 | 6.2 °C | 1.4 °C | -3.4 °C | Dec 21 2015 | 5.9 °C | 4.0 °C | 2.0 °C |
| Nov 22 2015 | 6.9 °C | 2.7 °C | -1.6 °C | Dec 22 2015 | 4.9 °C | 2.4 °C | -0.1 °C |
| Nov 23 2015 | 5.5 °C | 4.3 °C | 3.0 °C | Dec 23 2015 | 6.1 °C | 3.6 °C | 1.1 °C |
| Nov 24 2015 | 8.6 °C | 3.2 °C | -2.2 °C | Dec 24 2015 | 5.0 °C | 3.6 °C | 2.1 °C |
| Nov 25 2015 | 6.3 °C | 1.2 °C | -4.0 °C | Dec 25 2015 | 5.1 °C | 2.2 °C | -0.7 °C |
| Nov 26 2015 | 6.4 °C | 1.4 °C | -3.7 °C | Dec 26 2015 | 3.8 °C | 1.9 °C | -0.1 °C |
| Nov 27 2015 | 6.3 °C | 1.2 °C | -4.0 °C | Dec 27 2015 | 5.4 °C | 3.3 °C | 1.2 °C |
| Nov 28 2015 | 5.2 °C | 0.3 °C | -4.7 °C | Dec 28 2015 | 4.6 °C | 2.1 °C | -0.4 °C |
| Nov 29 2015 | 4.3 °C | -0.1 °C | -4.5 °C | Dec 29 2015 | 5.6 °C | 1.9 °C | -1.9 °C |
| Nov 30 2015 | 7.5 °C | 1.1 °C | -5.3 °C | Dec 30 2015 | 2.6 °C | -1.0 °C | -4.5 °C |
| | | | | Dec 31 2015 | 2.7 °C | -1.4 °C | -5.4 °C |

Appendix E: Delineation of the Lost Lagoon Wetland Watershed

The ArcGIS online watershed area calculation tool was used for the calculation of the Lost Lagoon wetland watershed. Below is an illustration of the output.

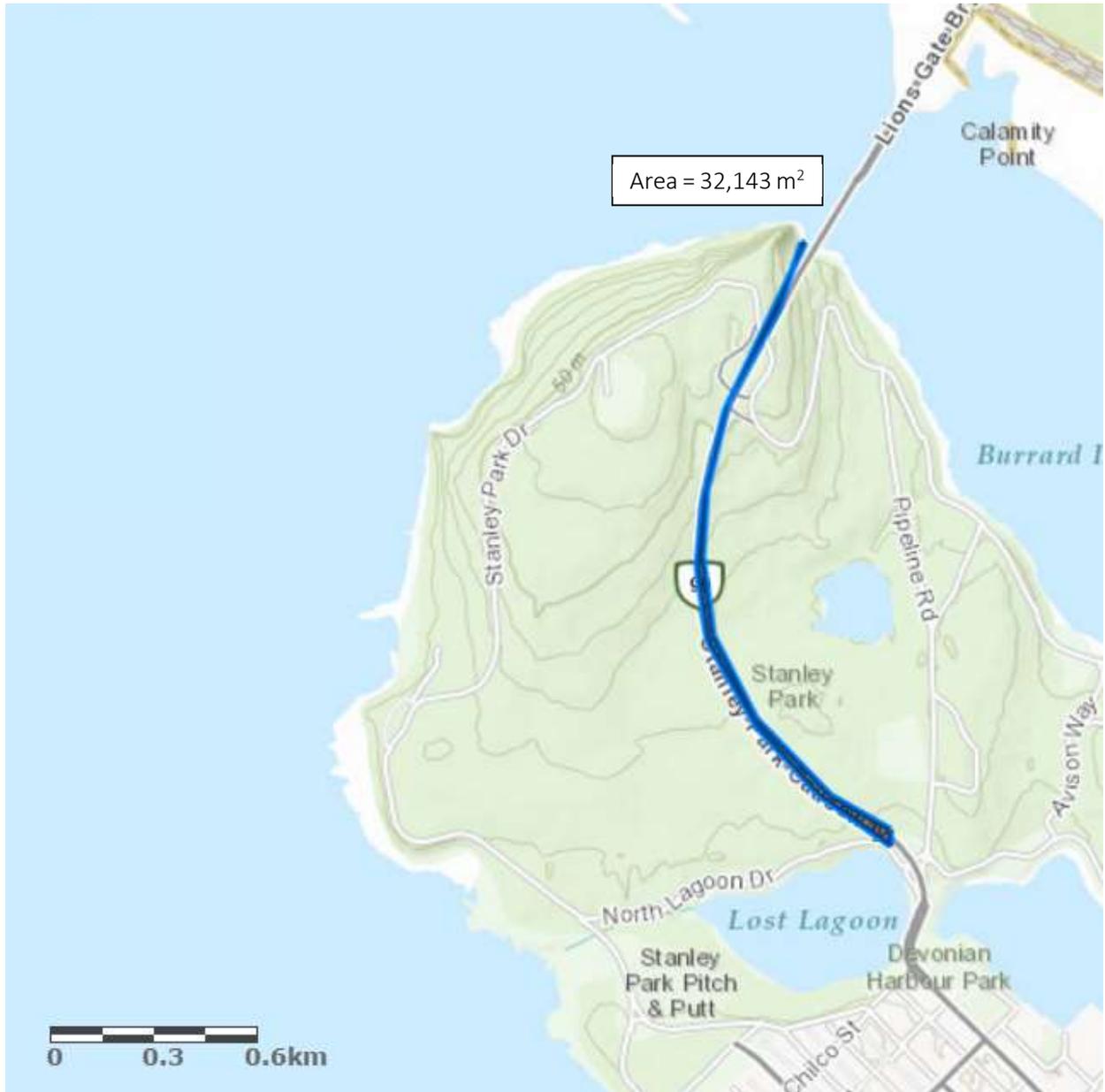


Figure 107. Delineation of Lost Lagoon Wetland Watershed Using ArcGIS Online Tool (2016)

Appendix F: Raw Measurements for the Lost Lagoon Wetland Field Study

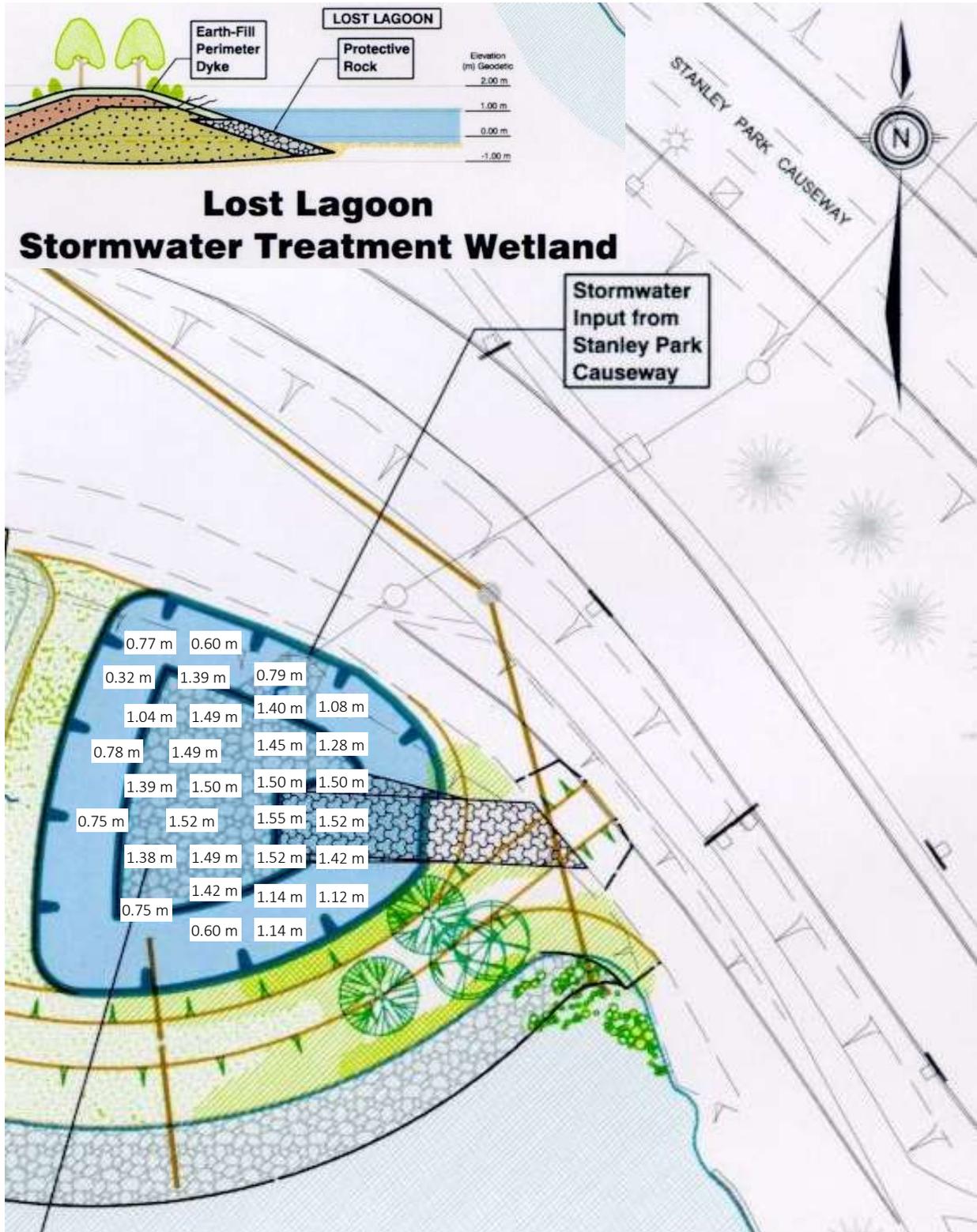


Figure 108. Depth Profile Measurements Taken in the Lost Lagoon Wetland Forebay

Table 51. In Situ Recordings of Dissolved Oxygen, pH and Temperature in the Lost Lagoon Wetland Forebay at the Water Surface and Water Floor

| Oct 16 2015 | | | | |
|-------------|------|------------|---------|-----------------|
| Depth | Site | DO mg/L | pH | Temp Celsius |
| Surface | 1.2 | 0.94 | | |
| Floor | 1.2 | 0.85 | | |
| Surface | 1.1 | 1.04 | | |
| Floor | 1.1 | 0.98 | | |
| Surface | 1.3 | 0.77 | | |
| Floor | 1.3 | 0.19 | | |
| Surface | 2.1 | 1 | 5.2-5.3 | 12.5-12.7 |
| Floor | 2.1 | 0.85 | | |
| Surface | 2.2 | 0.8 | | |
| Floor | 2.2 | 0.67 | | |
| Surface | 2.3 | 0.43 | | |
| Floor | 2.3 | 0.34 | | |

Table 52. Temperature, DO, pH, Conductivity, ORP - Raw Data - Field Samples

| Date | Site | Temp | DO | pH | Cond | ORP |
|--------|------|-------|------|------|----------|-------|
| 21-Jul | 6.1 | 18.66 | 2.37 | 6.09 | 51.23529 | -6.6 |
| 21-Jul | 6.1 | 18.97 | 6.25 | 6.28 | 50.47059 | 23.6 |
| 21-Jul | 6.1 | 20.17 | 9.02 | 6.38 | 271.4706 | 8.7 |
| 21-Jul | 6.2 | 19.37 | 4.93 | 7.09 | | 94 |
| 21-Jul | 6.2 | 19.75 | 4.93 | 6.57 | | 59.5 |
| 21-Jul | 6.2 | 18.82 | 5.97 | 6.2 | 73.41176 | 10.9 |
| 21-Jul | 6.3 | 20.36 | 8.81 | 6.42 | 52.76471 | 33 |
| 21-Jul | 6.3 | 20.17 | 8.63 | 6.42 | 86.41176 | 11.1 |
| 21-Jul | 6.3 | 20.53 | 9.92 | 6.49 | 61.17647 | 24.1 |
| 08-Sep | 2.1 | 15.4 | | 8.35 | 58.11765 | 219.5 |
| 08-Sep | 2.1 | 15.32 | | 7.89 | 57.35294 | 208.8 |
| 08-Sep | 2.1 | 15.52 | | 7.65 | 58.88235 | 202.4 |
| 08-Sep | 4.1 | 15.44 | | 7.17 | 58.11765 | 252.9 |
| 08-Sep | 4.1 | 15.6 | | 7.17 | 58.88235 | 206.5 |
| 08-Sep | 4.1 | 15.61 | | 7.13 | 58.88235 | 162.5 |
| 08-Sep | 6.2 | 15.07 | | 7.01 | 55.82353 | 214.9 |
| 08-Sep | 6.2 | 16.08 | | 7.07 | 35.17647 | 196.1 |
| 08-Sep | 6.2 | 16.18 | | 7.14 | 91.76471 | 186.6 |
| 22-Sep | 5.1 | 15.3 | 4.5 | 6.66 | 58.11765 | 39 |
| 22-Sep | 5.1 | 15 | 2.5 | 6.27 | 58.88235 | 20 |
| 22-Sep | 5.1 | 15.4 | 1.5 | 6 | 61.17647 | 45 |
| 22-Sep | 5.2 | 18.5 | 3.5 | 6.5 | 58.88235 | |
| 22-Sep | 5.2 | 17 | 3.5 | 6.68 | 58.88235 | |
| 22-Sep | 5.2 | 16.6 | 1 | 6.57 | 35.17647 | |
| 22-Sep | 5.3 | 16.95 | 2.4 | 6.5 | 60.41176 | 21 |
| 22-Sep | 5.3 | 17 | 1.6 | 6.72 | 63.47059 | 32 |
| 22-Sep | 5.3 | 16.5 | 1.2 | 6.64 | 52 | 38 |
| 06-Oct | 2.3 | 12.71 | 0.13 | 5.81 | 247.2 | 447 |
| 06-Oct | 2.3 | 12.61 | 0.15 | 5.47 | 171.7 | 421.6 |
| 06-Oct | 2.3 | 12.62 | 0.16 | 5.41 | 164 | 404.1 |
| 06-Oct | 3.3 | 14.78 | 4.94 | 5.66 | 201.5 | 557.6 |
| 06-Oct | 3.3 | 14.97 | 2.34 | 5.6 | 190.1 | 500.7 |
| 06-Oct | 3.3 | 14.96 | 1.75 | 5.55 | 178.3 | 481.8 |
| 06-Oct | 4.3 | 15.62 | 1.52 | 5.29 | 216.9 | 622.4 |
| 06-Oct | 4.3 | 15.63 | 0.27 | 4.95 | 217.8 | 576.1 |
| 06-Oct | 4.3 | 15.55 | 1.14 | 5.63 | 324.8 | 613.6 |
| 20-Oct | 2.1 | 13.29 | 1.88 | 5.55 | 160 | 335 |
| 20-Oct | 2.1 | 13.23 | 2.8 | 5.52 | 98 | 218 |
| 20-Oct | 2.1 | 13.35 | 1.3 | 5.4 | 170 | 171 |
| 20-Oct | 3.1 | 13.68 | 1.7 | 5.35 | 180 | 320 |
| 20-Oct | 3.1 | 13.78 | 1.7 | 5.4 | 179 | 314 |
| 20-Oct | 3.1 | 13.8 | 2 | 5.4 | 179 | 313 |
| 20-Oct | 4.1 | 15.55 | 1.6 | 5.3 | 190 | 313 |
| 20-Oct | 4.1 | 15.92 | 2 | | 188 | 335 |
| 20-Oct | 4.1 | 15.94 | 2.1 | 5.4 | 189 | 321 |
| 20-Oct | 6.1 | 18.46 | 5.4 | 5.4 | 24 | 228 |
| 20-Oct | 6.1 | 17.57 | 5.4 | 5.4 | 15 | 219 |
| 20-Oct | 6.1 | 17.86 | 5.8 | 6.6 | 23 | 232 |
| 20-Oct | 6.2 | 19.57 | 6.6 | 5.7 | 24.8 | 198.6 |
| 20-Oct | 6.2 | 18.37 | 6.7 | 5.65 | 19.6 | 136 |
| 20-Oct | 6.2 | 18.41 | 5.9 | 5.9 | 16.98 | 146 |
| 20-Oct | 6.3 | 17.84 | 7.02 | 5.92 | 21.53 | 199.5 |
| 20-Oct | 6.3 | 18.3 | 7.81 | 6.03 | 29.45 | 215.3 |
| 20-Oct | 6.3 | 18.14 | 7.79 | 6.17 | 20.05 | 230.5 |
| 11-Nov | 2.2 | 9.71 | 5.59 | 4.23 | 111.2 | 202.1 |
| 11-Nov | 2.3 | 9.75 | 5.5 | 4.4 | 112.2 | 182.5 |
| 11-Nov | 3.1 | 9.62 | 5.7 | 4.03 | 109.9 | 148.3 |
| 11-Nov | 3.2 | 9.72 | 5.61 | 3.15 | 134.5 | 195.5 |
| 11-Nov | 3.3 | 9.73 | 5.44 | 2.8 | 155.2 | 177.5 |
| 11-Nov | 4.2 | 9.76 | 5.61 | 3.65 | 119.5 | 216.2 |
| 11-Nov | 5.1 | 8.65 | 5.25 | 2.78 | 132.5 | 171 |
| 11-Nov | 5.2 | 8.48 | 5.32 | 6.79 | 133.7 | 114.3 |
| 11-Nov | 5.3 | 8.37 | 5.31 | 2.75 | 144.5 | 121.8 |
| 16-Dec | 1.1 | 8.47 | 10 | 5.15 | 375.5 | 90 |
| 16-Dec | 2.1 | 7.81 | 1.84 | 5.87 | 235.7 | 297 |
| 16-Dec | 2.2 | 7.3 | 4.53 | 5.69 | 169.7 | 340 |
| 16-Dec | 2.3 | 7.66 | 3.35 | 6 | 200.3 | 249.5 |

Table 53. Turbidity - Raw Data - Field Samples

| Date | Site | Turbidity, NTU | Date | Site | Turbidity, NTU |
|--------|-------------|----------------|--------|-----------|----------------|
| 21-Jul | 6.1 | 50.0 | 06-Oct | Lab Blank | 0.40 |
| 21-Jul | 6.1 | 48.5 | 06-Oct | Lab Blank | 0.29 |
| 21-Jul | 6.1 | 50.4 | 06-Oct | Lab Blank | 0.38 |
| 21-Jul | 6.2 | 94.0 | 20-Oct | 6.1 | 22 |
| 21-Jul | 6.2 | 100.0 | 20-Oct | 6.1 | 22.15 |
| 21-Jul | 6.2 | 93.0 | 20-Oct | 6.1 | 19.7 |
| 21-Jul | 6.3 | 54.7 | 20-Oct | 6.2 | 58.1 |
| 21-Jul | 6.3 | 53.6 | 20-Oct | 6.2 | 57.3 |
| 21-Jul | 6.3 | 57.2 | 20-Oct | 6.2 | 41.65 |
| 21-Jul | Field Blank | 0.4 | 20-Oct | 6.3 | 11.75 |
| 21-Jul | Field Blank | 0.3 | 20-Oct | 6.3 | 9.44 |
| 21-Jul | Field Blank | 0.4 | 20-Oct | 6.3 | 10.945 |
| 08-Sep | 2.1 | 143 | 20-Oct | Lab Blank | 0.645 |
| 08-Sep | 2.1 | 161 | 20-Oct | Lab Blank | 0.47 |
| 08-Sep | 2.1 | 147 | 11-Nov | 2.2 | 15.2 |
| 08-Sep | 4.1 | 91.7 | 11-Nov | 2.2 | 14.8 |
| 08-Sep | 4.1 | 104 | 11-Nov | 2.2 | 14.7 |
| 08-Sep | 4.1 | 89.9 | 11-Nov | 2.3 | 15.3 |
| 08-Sep | 6.2 | 144 | 11-Nov | 2.3 | 13.7 |
| 08-Sep | 6.2 | 155 | 11-Nov | 2.3 | 13.2 |
| 08-Sep | 6.2 | 155 | 11-Nov | 3.1 | 13 |
| 08-Sep | Field Blank | 0.30 | 11-Nov | 3.1 | 17.3 |
| 08-Sep | Lab Blank | 0.20 | 11-Nov | Lab blank | 0.12 |
| 08-Sep | Trip Blank | 0.12 | 11-Nov | Lab blank | 0.18 |
| 06-Oct | 2.3 | 32.9 | 16-Dec | 1 | 1.9 |
| 06-Oct | 2.3 | 28 | 16-Dec | 1 | 2.6 |
| 06-Oct | 2.3 | 42 | 16-Dec | 1 | 2.8 |
| 06-Oct | 3.3 | 20.1 | 16-Dec | 2.1 | 11.3 |
| 06-Oct | 3.3 | 22.4 | 16-Dec | 2.1 | 11.1 |
| 06-Oct | 3.3 | 25.6 | 16-Dec | 2.1 | 11.4 |
| 06-Oct | 4.3 | 17.8 | 16-Dec | 2.2 | 16.6 |
| 06-Oct | 4.3 | 20.5 | 16-Dec | 2.2 | 16.6 |
| 06-Oct | 4.3 | 17.9 | 16-Dec | 2.2 | 19.5 |
| 06-Oct | Field Blank | 0.16 | 16-Dec | 2.3 | 12 |
| 06-Oct | Field Blank | 0.19 | 16-Dec | 2.3 | 12.2 |
| 06-Oct | Field Blank | 0.13 | 16-Dec | 2.3 | 11.7 |

Table 54. Chemical Oxygen Demand – Raw Data – Field Samples

| Date | Site | COD, mg/L | Date | Site | COD, mg/L |
|--------|-------------|-----------|--------|-----------|-----------|
| 21-Jul | Field Blank | 10 | 06-Oct | 3.3 | 42 |
| 21-Jul | Field Blank | - | 06-Oct | 3.3 | 59 |
| 21-Jul | Field Blank | - | 06-Oct | 3.3 | 51 |
| 21-Jul | Lab Blank | 0 | 06-Oct | 4.3 | 36 |
| 21-Jul | Trip Blank | 6 | 06-Oct | 4.3 | 79 |
| 21-Jul | 6.2 | 232 | 06-Oct | 4.3 | 28 |
| 21-Jul | 6.2 | 172 | 20-Oct | 2.1 | 1160 |
| 21-Jul | 6.2 | 144 | 20-Oct | 2.1 | 1256 |
| 21-Jul | 6.1 | 116 | 20-Oct | 2.1 | 1176 |
| 21-Jul | 6.1 | 144 | 20-Oct | 3.1 | 167 |
| 21-Jul | 6.1 | - | 20-Oct | 3.1 | 189.5 |
| 21-Jul | 6.3 | 115 | 20-Oct | 3.1 | 212 |
| 21-Jul | 6.3 | 129 | 20-Oct | 4.1 | 131.5 |
| 21-Jul | 6.3 | - | 20-Oct | 4.1 | 107 |
| 08-Sep | Field Blank | 12 | 20-Oct | 4.1 | 108 |
| 08-Sep | Field Blank | 18 | 20-Oct | 6.1 | 21 |
| 08-Sep | Field Blank | 8 | 20-Oct | 6.1 | 34 |
| 08-Sep | Lab Blank | 0 | 20-Oct | 6.1 | 46 |
| 08-Sep | Lab Blank | - | 20-Oct | 6.2 | 102 |
| 08-Sep | Lab Blank | 4 | 20-Oct | 6.2 | 72 |
| 08-Sep | Trip Blank | 10 | 20-Oct | 6.2 | 55 |
| 08-Sep | Trip Blank | 12 | 20-Oct | 6.3 | 32 |
| 08-Sep | Trip Blank | 4 | 20-Oct | 6.3 | 24 |
| 08-Sep | 2.1 | 382 | 20-Oct | 6.3 | 35 |
| 08-Sep | 2.1 | 324 | 20-Oct | Lab Blank | - |
| 08-Sep | 2.1 | 300 | 20-Oct | Lab Blank | - |
| 08-Sep | 4.1 | 459 | 11-Nov | 3.1 | 29 |
| 08-Sep | 4.1 | 433 | 11-Nov | 3.1 | 26 |
| 08-Sep | 4.1 | 435 | 11-Nov | 3.1 | - |
| 08-Sep | 6.2 | 277 | 11-Nov | 4.2 | 18 |
| 08-Sep | 6.2 | 344 | 11-Nov | 4.2 | 36 |
| 08-Sep | 6.2 | 351 | 11-Nov | 4.2 | - |
| 06-Oct | Field Blank | 30 | 11-Nov | 3.2 | 39 |
| 06-Oct | Field Blank | 43 | 11-Nov | 3.2 | 46 |
| 06-Oct | Field Blank | 10 | 11-Nov | 3.2 | - |
| 06-Oct | Lab Blank | 0 | 11-Nov | 2.2 | 74 |
| 06-Oct | Lab Blank | - | 11-Nov | 2.2 | 95 |
| 06-Oct | Lab Blank | 4 | 11-Nov | 2.2 | - |
| 06-Oct | Trip Blank | - | 11-Nov | 3.3 | 1 |
| 06-Oct | Trip Blank | - | 11-Nov | 3.3 | 1 |
| 06-Oct | Trip Blank | - | 11-Nov | 3.3 | - |
| 06-Oct | 2.3 | 28 | 11-Nov | 2.3 | 37 |
| 06-Oct | 2.3 | 81 | 11-Nov | 2.3 | 96 |
| 06-Oct | 2.3 | 20 | 11-Nov | 2.3 | - |
| 11-Nov | 5.1 | 55 | 11-Nov | Lab blank | - |
| 11-Nov | 5.1 | 41 | 16-Dec | 1 | 8 |
| 11-Nov | 5.1 | - | 16-Dec | 1 | 19 |
| 11-Nov | 5.2 | 157 | 16-Dec | 1 | 13 |
| 11-Nov | 5.2 | 124 | 16-Dec | 2.1 | 28 |
| 11-Nov | 5.2 | - | 16-Dec | 2.1 | 24 |
| 11-Nov | 5.3 | 67 | 16-Dec | 2.1 | 26 |
| 11-Nov | 5.3 | 69 | 16-Dec | 2.2 | 30 |
| 11-Nov | 5.3 | - | 16-Dec | 2.2 | 22 |
| 11-Nov | Lab blank | -7 | 16-Dec | 2.2 | 39 |
| 11-Nov | Lab blank | - | 16-Dec | 2.3 | 936 |
| | | | 16-Dec | 2.3 | 925 |

Table 55. Total Suspended Solids - Raw Data - Field Samples

| Date | Site | TSS, mg/L | Date | Site | TSS, mg/L |
|--------|-------------|-----------|--------|-----------|-----------|
| 21-Jul | Field Blank | 0.0 | 06-Oct | 3.3 | 41 |
| 21-Jul | Field Blank | - | 06-Oct | 3.3 | 33 |
| 21-Jul | Field Blank | - | 06-Oct | 3.3 | 52 |
| 21-Jul | lab blank | 0.0 | 06-Oct | 4.3 | 41 |
| 21-Jul | trip blank | 0.0 | 06-Oct | 4.3 | 33 |
| 21-Jul | 6.2 | 66.0 | 06-Oct | 4.3 | 45 |
| 21-Jul | 6.2 | 67.0 | 20-Oct | 2.1 | 1306 |
| 21-Jul | 6.2 | - | 20-Oct | 2.1 | 1359 |
| 21-Jul | 6.1 | 10.0 | 20-Oct | 2.1 | - |
| 21-Jul | 6.1 | - | 20-Oct | 3.1 | 327 |
| 21-Jul | 6.1 | 31.0 | 20-Oct | 3.1 | 366 |
| 21-Jul | 6.3 | 37.0 | 20-Oct | 3.1 | - |
| 21-Jul | 6.3 | 40.0 | 20-Oct | 4.1 | 157 |
| 21-Jul | 6.3 | 42.0 | 20-Oct | 4.1 | 111 |
| 08-Sep | Field Blank | - | 20-Oct | 4.1 | - |
| 08-Sep | Field Blank | - | 20-Oct | 6.1 | 37 |
| 08-Sep | Field Blank | 5 | 20-Oct | 6.1 | 38 |
| 08-Sep | Lab Blank | - | 20-Oct | 6.1 | - |
| 08-Sep | Lab Blank | 1 | 20-Oct | 6.2 | 97 |
| 08-Sep | Lab Blank | - | 20-Oct | 6.2 | 106 |
| 08-Sep | Trip Blank | 0 | 20-Oct | 6.2 | - |
| 08-Sep | Trip Blank | 4 | 20-Oct | 6.3 | 28 |
| 08-Sep | Trip Blank | 5 | 20-Oct | 6.3 | 32 |
| 08-Sep | 2.1 | 179 | 20-Oct | 6.3 | - |
| 08-Sep | 2.1 | 174 | 20-Oct | Lab Blank | 7 |
| 08-Sep | 2.1 | 170 | 20-Oct | Lab Blank | 5 |
| 08-Sep | 4.1 | 59 | 11-Nov | 3.1 | 33 |
| 08-Sep | 4.1 | 70 | 11-Nov | 3.1 | 23 |
| 08-Sep | 4.1 | 70 | 11-Nov | 3.1 | - |
| 08-Sep | 6.2 | 103 | 11-Nov | 4.2 | 14 |
| 08-Sep | 6.2 | 88 | 11-Nov | 4.2 | 44 |
| 08-Sep | 6.2 | 100 | 11-Nov | 4.2 | - |
| 06-Oct | Field Blank | - | 11-Nov | 3.2 | 25 |
| 06-Oct | Field Blank | - | 11-Nov | 3.2 | 44 |
| 06-Oct | Field Blank | 3 | 11-Nov | 3.2 | - |
| 06-Oct | Lab Blank | - | 11-Nov | 2.2 | 58 |
| 06-Oct | Lab Blank | - | 11-Nov | 2.2 | 63 |
| 06-Oct | Lab Blank | - | 11-Nov | 2.2 | - |
| 06-Oct | Trip Blank | - | 11-Nov | 3.3 | 53 |
| 06-Oct | Trip Blank | - | 11-Nov | 3.3 | 35 |
| 06-Oct | Trip Blank | - | 11-Nov | 3.3 | - |
| 06-Oct | 2.3 | 98 | 11-Nov | 2.3 | 34 |
| 06-Oct | 2.3 | 115 | 11-Nov | 2.3 | 38 |
| 06-Oct | 2.3 | 109 | 11-Nov | 2.3 | - |
| 11-Nov | 5.1 | 21 | 16-Dec | 1 | 13 |
| 11-Nov | 5.1 | 17 | 16-Dec | 1 | 18 |
| 11-Nov | 5.1 | - | 16-Dec | 1 | - |
| 11-Nov | 5.2 | 34 | 16-Dec | 2.1 | 12 |
| 11-Nov | 5.2 | 37 | 16-Dec | 2.1 | 18 |
| 11-Nov | 5.2 | - | 16-Dec | 2.1 | - |
| 11-Nov | 5.3 | 50 | 16-Dec | 2.2 | 38 |
| 11-Nov | 5.3 | 59 | 16-Dec | 2.2 | 25 |
| 11-Nov | 5.3 | - | 16-Dec | 2.2 | - |
| 11-Nov | Lab blank | 12 | 16-Dec | 2.3 | 12 |
| 11-Nov | Lab blank | 11 | 16-Dec | 2.3 | 6 |
| 11-Nov | Lab blank | - | 16-Dec | 2.3 | - |

Table 56. Total Organic Carbon - Raw Data - Field

| Date | Site | TSS, mg/L | Date | Site | TSS, mg/L |
|--------|-------------|-------------|--------|-----------|-------------|
| 21-Jul | Field Blank | | 06-Oct | 3.3 | 24.807 |
| 21-Jul | Field Blank | | 06-Oct | 3.3 | 22.6145 |
| 21-Jul | Field Blank | 0.10725 | 06-Oct | 3.3 | 21.8105 |
| 21-Jul | lab blank | -0.00215 | 06-Oct | 4.3 | 11.6075 |
| 21-Jul | trip blank | 6.856 | 06-Oct | 4.3 | 9.913 |
| 21-Jul | 6.2 | 28.916 | 06-Oct | 4.3 | 9.401 |
| 21-Jul | 6.2 | 24.202 | 20-Oct | 2.1 | 43.26475 |
| 21-Jul | 6.2 | - | 20-Oct | 2.1 | 83.9025 |
| 21-Jul | 6.1 | 29.178 | 20-Oct | 2.1 | - |
| 21-Jul | 6.1 | 24.128 | 20-Oct | 3.1 | 186.997 |
| 21-Jul | 6.1 | - | 20-Oct | 3.1 | 182.698 |
| 21-Jul | 6.3 | 29.034 | 20-Oct | 3.1 | 179.5035 |
| 21-Jul | 6.3 | 26.392 | 20-Oct | 4.1 | 310.2305 |
| 21-Jul | 6.3 | - | 20-Oct | 4.1 | 307.4545 |
| 08-Sep | Field Blank | 1.9295 | 20-Oct | 4.1 | 302.842 |
| 08-Sep | Field Blank | 2.2115 | 20-Oct | 6.1 | 13.917 |
| 08-Sep | Field Blank | 2.175 | 20-Oct | 6.1 | 12.955 |
| 08-Sep | Lab Blank | 0.4428 | 20-Oct | 6.1 | 12.823 |
| 08-Sep | Lab Blank | 0.14175 | 20-Oct | 6.2 | 148.074 |
| 08-Sep | Lab Blank | - | 20-Oct | 6.2 | 146.6555 |
| 08-Sep | Trip Blank | 1.3615 | 20-Oct | 6.2 | 142.55 |
| 08-Sep | Trip Blank | 1.32 | 20-Oct | 6.3 | 77.5135 |
| 08-Sep | Trip Blank | 1.125 | 20-Oct | 6.3 | 77.843 |
| 08-Sep | 2.1 | 25.5425 | 20-Oct | 6.3 | 78.4525 |
| 08-Sep | 2.1 | 26.5955 | 20-Oct | Lab Blank | 0.2432 |
| 08-Sep | 2.1 | 28.1905 | 20-Oct | Lab Blank | 0.20775 |
| 08-Sep | 4.1 | 82.574 | 11-Nov | 3.1 | 70.9973 |
| 08-Sep | 4.1 | 87.999 | 11-Nov | 3.1 | 68.1439275 |
| 08-Sep | 4.1 | 77.686 | 11-Nov | 3.1 | - |
| 08-Sep | 6.2 | 84.679 | 11-Nov | 4.2 | 56.177737 |
| 08-Sep | 6.2 | 79.916 | 11-Nov | 4.2 | 65.0074645 |
| 08-Sep | 6.2 | 81.5505 | 11-Nov | 4.2 | - |
| 06-Oct | Field Blank | 26.5485 | 11-Nov | 3.2 | 63.35835 |
| 06-Oct | Field Blank | 22.378 | 11-Nov | 3.2 | 61.956378 |
| 06-Oct | Field Blank | 19.2495 | 11-Nov | 3.2 | - |
| 06-Oct | Lab Blank | - | 11-Nov | 2.2 | 59.9747445 |
| 06-Oct | Lab Blank | - | 11-Nov | 2.2 | 60.850977 |
| 06-Oct | Lab Blank | - | 11-Nov | 2.2 | - |
| 06-Oct | Trip Blank | - | 11-Nov | 3.3 | 60.8105355 |
| 06-Oct | Trip Blank | - | 11-Nov | 3.3 | 61.174509 |
| 06-Oct | Trip Blank | - | 11-Nov | 3.3 | - |
| 06-Oct | 2.3 | 28.792 | 11-Nov | 2.3 | 59.4984335 |
| 06-Oct | 2.3 | 24.4865 | 11-Nov | 2.3 | 58.307656 |
| 06-Oct | 2.3 | 21.214 | 11-Nov | 2.3 | - |
| 11-Nov | 5.1 | 60.275809 | 16-Dec | 1 | 58.5098635 |
| 11-Nov | 5.1 | 61.4755735 | 16-Dec | 1 | 56.914671 |
| 11-Nov | 5.1 | - | 16-Dec | 1 | - |
| 11-Nov | 5.2 | 60.2892895 | 16-Dec | 2.1 | 57.840332 |
| 11-Nov | 5.2 | 59.916329 | 16-Dec | 2.1 | 59.017629 |
| 11-Nov | 5.2 | - | 16-Dec | 2.1 | - |
| 11-Nov | 5.3 | 59.619758 | 16-Dec | 2.2 | 59.520901 |
| 11-Nov | 5.3 | 57.4583845 | 16-Dec | 2.2 | 58.5188505 |
| 11-Nov | 5.3 | - | 16-Dec | 2.2 | - |
| 11-Nov | Lab blank | 0.536478965 | 16-Dec | 2.3 | 327.1762285 |
| 11-Nov | Lab blank | 0.54721843 | 16-Dec | 2.3 | 310.5952135 |
| 11-Nov | Lab blank | - | 16-Dec | 2.3 | - |

Table 57. Metals - Raw Data - Field Samples - Water

| Date | Site | As | Ag | Al | B | Ba | Be | Ca | Cd | Co | Cr | Cu | Fe | K | Li | Mg | Mn | Mo | Na | Ni | Pb | Sb | Se | Si | Sr | Ti | Tl | V | Zn |
|------------|------|--------|--------|--------|---------|--------|---------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|---------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|
| | | (mg/L) | (mg/L) | (mg/L) | (mg/L) | (mg/L) | (mg/L) | (mg/L) | (mg/L) | (mg/L) | (mg/L) | (mg/L) | (mg/L) | (mg/L) | (mg/L) | (mg/L) | (mg/L) | (mg/L) | (mg/L) | (mg/L) | (mg/L) | (mg/L) | (mg/L) | (mg/L) | (mg/L) | (mg/L) | (mg/L) | (mg/L) | (mg/L) |
| 2015-07-21 | 6.2 | 0.011 | 1.779 | 0.316 | 0.065 | 0.006 | 92.262 | 0.009 | 0.018 | 0.241 | 0.060 | 6.809 | 2.741 | 0.026 | 45.074 | 0.313 | 0.016 | 84.324 | 0.175 | 0.023 | 0.085 | | 10.151 | 0.397 | 3.054 | | 0.014 | 0.886 | |
| 2015-07-21 | 6.2 | 0.010 | 2.349 | 0.449 | 0.069 | 0.004 | 131.814 | 0.009 | 0.007 | 0.024 | 0.264 | 5.846 | 2.882 | 0.026 | 48.191 | 0.270 | 0.017 | 88.307 | | 0.017 | 0.004 | | 10.481 | 0.436 | 0.067 | | 0.015 | 2.603 | |
| 2015-07-21 | 6.2 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 2015-07-21 | 6.1 | 0.010 | 1.607 | 0.319 | 0.072 | 0.005 | 55.025 | 0.011 | 0.019 | 0.192 | 0.214 | 8.607 | 3.086 | 0.027 | 47.381 | 0.397 | 0.018 | 86.301 | 0.297 | 0.048 | 0.040 | | 10.759 | 0.411 | 1.890 | | 0.018 | 0.965 | |
| 2015-07-21 | 6.1 | 0.010 | 1.630 | 0.323 | 0.069 | 0.004 | 111.492 | 0.009 | 0.007 | 0.066 | 0.071 | 6.062 | 2.939 | 0.026 | 46.823 | 0.295 | 0.017 | 86.864 | 0.004 | 0.006 | 0.002 | | 10.129 | 0.427 | 0.059 | 0.012 | 0.015 | 0.646 | |
| 2015-07-21 | 6.1 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 2015-07-21 | 6.3 | 0.010 | 1.772 | 0.293 | 0.064 | 0.004 | 50.790 | 0.008 | 0.010 | 0.075 | 0.062 | 6.329 | 2.516 | 0.025 | 43.376 | 0.280 | 0.015 | 81.869 | 0.083 | 0.022 | 0.027 | | 10.280 | 0.366 | 0.570 | 0.012 | 0.018 | 0.183 | |
| 2015-07-21 | 6.3 | 0.010 | 2.332 | 0.348 | 0.068 | 0.004 | 99.471 | 0.008 | 0.005 | 0.033 | 0.128 | 6.022 | 2.525 | 0.025 | 45.163 | 0.261 | 0.016 | 83.932 | | 0.009 | 0.012 | | 10.417 | 0.402 | 0.074 | | 0.013 | 1.498 | |
| 2015-07-21 | 6.3 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 2015-09-08 | 2.1 | | 14.720 | 0.076 | 0.223 | | 15.710 | 0.007 | 0.010 | 0.113 | 0.725 | 17.890 | 0.394 | 0.016 | 5.881 | 0.323 | | 10.870 | 0.028 | 0.106 | 0.030 | | 23.170 | 0.111 | 0.654 | | 0.050 | 0.751 | |
| 2015-09-08 | 2.1 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 2015-09-08 | 4.1 | | 5.310 | 0.073 | 0.091 | | 9.494 | 0.004 | 0.005 | 0.035 | 0.308 | 7.526 | 0.284 | | 2.600 | 0.166 | | 6.777 | 0.012 | 0.037 | | | 9.706 | 0.063 | 0.220 | | 0.024 | 0.255 | |
| 2015-09-08 | 4.1 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 2015-09-08 | 4.1 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 2015-09-08 | 6.2 | | 7.460 | 0.150 | 0.069 | | 27.220 | 0.009 | 0.005 | | 0.141 | 16.360 | 1.373 | 0.019 | 22.450 | 0.440 | | | | 0.007 | | | 15.450 | 0.231 | 0.313 | | 0.037 | 0.035 | |
| 2015-09-08 | 6.2 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 2015-09-08 | 6.2 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 2015-10-06 | 2.3 | | 0.104 | 0.056 | | | | | | | | 0.144 | 7.322 | 0.020 | 0.050 | 0.269 | 0.209 | 0.010 | 182.921 | | | | 0.179 | 15.414 | | | | 0.077 | |
| 2015-10-06 | 2.3 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 2015-10-06 | 3.3 | | 0.960 | 0.107 | 0.032 | | 8.922 | 0.003 | 0.000 | | 0.062 | 1.450 | 0.239 | | 1.548 | 0.026 | | 15.380 | 0.002 | | | | 5.599 | 0.058 | 0.031 | | 0.012 | 0.033 | |
| 2015-10-06 | 3.3 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 2015-10-06 | 4.3 | | 0.869 | 0.083 | 0.027 | | 8.327 | 0.003 | 0.001 | | 0.057 | 1.340 | 0.230 | | 1.432 | 0.020 | | 20.320 | 0.001 | | | | 5.267 | 0.052 | 0.024 | | 0.011 | | |
| 2015-10-06 | 4.3 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 2015-10-06 | 4.3 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 2015-10-20 | 2.1 | | 40.970 | 0.080 | 0.492 | | 27.340 | 0.018 | 0.034 | 0.238 | 1.552 | 52.440 | 0.619 | 0.038 | 14.760 | 0.756 | 0.025 | 12.900 | 0.073 | 0.376 | 0.056 | | 52.950 | 0.231 | 1.850 | | 0.127 | 2.009 | |
| 2015-10-20 | 2.1 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 2015-10-20 | 3.1 | | 8.321 | 0.059 | 0.125 | | 14.150 | 0.007 | 0.006 | 0.047 | 0.339 | 11.190 | 0.412 | 0.011 | 4.152 | 0.209 | | 10.070 | 0.012 | 0.053 | | | 15.250 | 0.095 | 0.384 | | 0.034 | 0.360 | |
| 2015-10-20 | 3.1 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 2015-10-20 | 4.1 | | 3.545 | 0.073 | 0.075 | | 10.890 | 0.003 | 0.002 | 0.014 | 0.182 | 4.890 | 0.231 | | 2.422 | 0.101 | | 7.332 | 0.006 | 0.013 | | | 8.898 | 0.071 | 0.136 | | 0.020 | 0.173 | |
| 2015-10-20 | 4.1 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 2015-10-20 | 6.1 | | 0.985 | 0.210 | 0.043 | | 36.160 | 0.004 | 0.001 | | 0.090 | 2.333 | 2.136 | 0.013 | 37.290 | 0.178 | | | | 0.003 | | | 4.306 | 0.351 | 0.014 | | 0.019 | 0.027 | |
| 2015-10-20 | 6.1 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 2015-10-20 | 6.2 | | 2.884 | 0.210 | 0.058 | | 38.330 | 0.005 | 0.002 | | 0.082 | 7.598 | 2.103 | 0.016 | 36.090 | 0.301 | | | | 0.003 | | | 7.951 | 0.349 | 0.090 | | 0.024 | 0.051 | |
| 2015-10-20 | 6.2 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 2015-10-20 | 6.3 | | 0.801 | 0.200 | 0.043 | | 36.070 | 0.004 | 0.000 | | 0.041 | 1.593 | 2.077 | 0.013 | 36.580 | 0.143 | | | | 0.002 | | | 4.089 | 0.346 | 0.014 | | 0.019 | | |
| 2015-10-20 | 6.3 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 2015-11-11 | 3.1 | | 2.033 | 0.130 | 0.030 | | 6.787 | 0.004 | 0.001 | | 0.114 | 2.197 | 0.167 | | 1.518 | 0.043 | | 5.295 | 0.004 | | | | 7.537 | 0.048 | 0.092 | | 0.012 | 0.024 | |
| 2015-11-11 | 3.1 | | 1.939 | 0.081 | 0.028 | | 6.754 | 0.003 | 0.001 | | 0.101 | 2.053 | 0.158 | | 1.468 | 0.040 | | 5.148 | 0.003 | | | | 7.030 | 0.047 | 0.066 | | 0.010 | 0.022 | |
| 2015-11-11 | 3.1 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 2015-11-11 | 4.2 | | 1.083 | 0.068 | 0.011 | | 3.782 | 0.003 | 0.001 | | 0.072 | 1.052 | 0.093 | | 0.754 | | | 2.082 | 0.002 | | | | 4.880 | 0.024 | 0.023 | | | 0.014 | |
| 2015-11-11 | 4.2 | | 1.219 | 0.042 | 0.016 | | 4.383 | 0.004 | 0.003 | | 0.089 | 1.260 | 0.096 | | 0.872 | 0.016 | | 2.243 | 0.002 | | | | 5.616 | 0.028 | 0.031 | | | | |
| 2015-11-11 | 4.2 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 2015-11-11 | 3.2 | | 5.834 | 0.075 | 0.015 | | 6.160 | 0.004 | 0.002 | | 0.093 | 1.840 | 0.150 | | 1.320 | 0.023 | | 4.536 | 0.002 | | | | 7.171 | 0.041 | 0.058 | | 0.010 | 0.012 | |
| 2015-11-11 | 3.2 | | 1.986 | 0.053 | 0.012 | | 5.281 | 0.003 | 0.001 | | 0.080 | 1.671 | 0.134 | | 1.147 | 0.014 | | 3.740 | 0.001 | | | | 6.176 | 0.035 | 0.049 | | | | |
| 2015-11-11 | 3.2 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 2015-11-11 | 2.2 | | 1.485 | 0.045 | 0.026 | | 5.971 | 0.003 | 0.002 | | 0.065 | 1.544 | 0.135 | | 1.214 | 0.028 | | 3.857 | 0.001 | | | | 6.326 | 0.040 | 0.042 | | | 0.024 | |
| 2015-11-11 | 2.2 | | 1.661 | 0.108 | 0.029 | | 6.846 | 0.004 | 0.002 | | 0.085 | 1.741 | 0.146 | | 1.350 | 0.036 | | 4.521 | 0.001 | | | | 7.173 | 0.046 | 0.051 | | 0.010 | 0.020 | |
| 2015-11-11 | 2.2 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 2015-11-11 | 3.3 | | 1.435 | 0.065 | 0.012 | | 4.321 | 0.004 | 0.001 | | 0.090 | 1.533 | 0.110 | | 0.948 | 0.013 | | 2.543 | 0.000 | | | | 4.557 | 0.028 | 0.044 | | | 0.020 | |
| 2015-11-11 | 3.3 | | 1.386 | 0.042 | 0.011 | | 4.281 | 0.003 | 0.000 | | 0.081 | 1.457 | 0.110 | | 0.937 | | | 2.527 | 0.000 | | | | 4.608 | 0.027 | 0.044 | | | 0.014 | |
| 2015-11-11 | 3.3 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 2015-11-11 | 2.3 | | 1.346 | 0.144 | 0.015 | | 4.538 | 0.003 | 0.002 | | 0.073 | 1.423 | 0.127 | | 0.990 | 0.018 | | 3.255 | 0.000 | | | | 5.248 | 0.030 | 0.044 | | | | |
| 2015-11-11 | 2.3 | | 1.470 | 0.088 | 0.020 | | 5.129 | 0.003 | 0.000 | | 0.075 | 1.506 | 0.134 | | 1.087 | 0.028 | | 3.652 | 0.002 | | | | 6.061 | 0.034 | 0.046 | | 0.010 | | |
| 2015-11-11 | 2.3 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 2015-11-11 | 5.1 | | 0.473 | 0.080 | | | 4.760 | 0.004 | 0.002 | | 0.080 | 0.744 | 0.112 | | 0.704 | 0.022 | | 2.494 | 0.002 | | | | 4.555 | 0.028 | | | | | |
| 2015-11-11 | 5.1 | | 0.714 | 0.045 | | | 4.600 | 0.004 | 0.001 | | 0.066 | 0.658 | 0.106 | | 0.646 | 0.016 | | 2.284 | 0.002 | | | | 4.161 | 0.025 | | | | 0.017 | |
| 2015-11-11 | 5.1 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 2015-11-11 | 5.2 | | 0.718 | 0.082 | | | 4.350 | 0.003 | 0.001 | | 0.057 | 1.175 | 0.114 | | 0.745 | 0.010 | | 2.541 | 0.000 | | | | 3.674 | 0.026 | | | | 0.010 | |
| 2015-11-11 | 5.2 | | 0.806 | 0.062 | 0.010</ | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |

Table 58. Metals - Raw Data - Field Samples - Sediment

| Date | Site | mg/kg dry | As | Ag | Al | B | Ba | Ca | Cd | Co | Cr | Cu | Fe | K | Li | Mg | Mn | Mo | Na | Ni | Pb | Sb | Si | Sr | Ti | V | Zn |
|--------|-----------|-----------|------|------|-----------|-------|-------|-----------|-------|--------|--------|-----------|-----------|-------|----------|-----------|--------|----------|----------|-------|-------|-------|-----------|----------|----------|-------|--------|
| 21-Jul | 6.2 | Surface | | 8.5 | 17,670.00 | 31 | 119.5 | 12,970.00 | - | 16.72 | 42.5 | 120.5 | 24,690.00 | 141.5 | 22.5 | 7,415.00 | 385.5 | - | 1,177.50 | 21.56 | 9 | - | 5,455.00 | 69.5 | 2,532.50 | 86 | 218 |
| 21-Jul | 6.2 | Surface | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 21-Jul | 6.2 | Depth | | | 14,290.00 | 25.5 | 31 | 13,040.00 | 5.57 | 15.55 | 42.5 | 93 | 21,445.00 | 119 | 19 | 7,220.00 | 340 | - | 1,216.00 | 19.41 | - | - | 4,382.00 | 52 | 2,121.50 | 77.5 | 173.5 |
| 21-Jul | 6.2 | Depth | 23.5 | | 18,940.00 | 22.5 | 36 | 20,635.00 | 6.34 | 14.24 | 35 | 73.5 | 24,510.00 | 107.5 | 19.5 | 7,485.00 | 404 | - | 1,559.50 | 14.97 | - | - | 4,329.50 | 81 | 2,034.00 | 96.5 | 155.5 |
| 08-Sep | 2.1 | Surface | | | 25,180.00 | 99 | 136.5 | - | 6.94 | - | 74.62 | 224.17 | 29,066.02 | 221 | 40.49 | 10,104.30 | 480.84 | - | 2,414.50 | 6.6 | 33.51 | 10.27 | 690 | - | 3,014.16 | - | 305.2 |
| 08-Sep | 2.1 | Surface | | | 15,795.00 | 73.5 | 96 | - | - | - | 35.15 | 185.17 | 19,420.45 | 163.5 | 34.46 | 4,922.02 | 365.49 | - | 1,392.00 | 4.22 | 25.25 | 10.65 | 693.5 | - | 1,570.76 | - | 262.14 |
| 08-Sep | 2.1 | Surface | | | 20,955.00 | 95 | 128 | - | - | - | 69.84 | 259.43 | 33,321.79 | 217.5 | 41.81 | 8,993.04 | 438.81 | - | 1,612.50 | 6.45 | 39.74 | 17.56 | 906.5 | - | 2,463.90 | - | 306 |
| 08-Sep | 2.1 | Depth | | | 21,710.00 | 97.5 | 56.5 | - | - | - | 83.35 | 22,380.85 | 206 | 39.3 | 5,571.59 | 511.5 | - | - | - | - | - | - | 908 | - | 1,611.23 | - | 27.97 |
| 08-Sep | 2.1 | Depth | | | 19,915.00 | 84 | 87 | - | 8.26 | - | 33.04 | 74.83 | 25,256.23 | 163.5 | 37.76 | 7,803.26 | 461.64 | - | 1,491.50 | 5.98 | - | - | 802 | - | 2,470.66 | - | 74.22 |
| 08-Sep | 2.1 | Depth | | | 18,680.00 | 88 | 66 | - | 5.68 | - | 45.56 | 84.88 | 24,530.92 | 151.5 | 38.49 | 7,180.33 | 482.88 | - | 1,670.50 | 4.56 | - | - | 996 | - | 2,576.90 | - | 57.58 |
| 08-Sep | 2.1 | Surface | | 9.5 | 11,440.00 | 27.5 | 87 | 16,780.00 | - | 16.22 | 49 | 262.5 | 16,900.00 | 183.5 | 17 | 5,410.00 | 301.5 | - | 1,279.50 | 28.84 | 34.5 | - | 8,645.00 | 42.5 | 1,366.50 | 58.5 | 676 |
| 08-Sep | 2.1 | Surface | 8 | | 21,835.00 | 48.5 | 148 | 29,900.00 | 5.32 | 23.76 | 101.5 | 408 | 24,075.00 | 238 | 21.5 | 7,015.00 | 361 | 5.5 | 1,613.50 | 45.6 | 72.5 | 14.5 | 14,025.00 | 78 | 2,195.00 | 77.5 | 863.5 |
| 08-Sep | 2.1 | Depth | | 9 | 14,875.00 | 26.5 | 137 | 11,810.00 | 5.18 | 16.2 | 81 | 108.5 | 20,275.00 | 103 | 14.5 | 5,925.00 | 336.5 | - | 1,430.00 | 20.05 | 10.5 | - | 5,720.00 | 62 | 2,006.00 | 55.5 | 288 |
| 08-Sep | 2.1 | Depth | 17.5 | | 21,295.00 | 17.5 | 70.5 | 19,150.00 | 8.31 | 20 | 50.5 | 130 | 29,000.00 | 133 | 18.5 | 8,360.00 | 421 | - | 1,999.00 | 28.66 | 15.5 | - | 5,735.00 | 77.5 | 2,523.00 | 117.5 | 368.5 |
| 08-Sep | 4.1 | Surface | | 14 | 13,350.00 | 23 | 115 | 7,995.00 | 7.47 | 15.04 | 47 | 135.5 | 17,605.00 | 161.5 | 12 | 6,405.00 | 276 | - | 1,093.00 | 38.73 | 26.5 | - | 7,970.50 | 55 | 1,322.00 | 58.5 | 379.5 |
| 08-Sep | 4.1 | Surface | 23.5 | | 13,015.00 | 43.5 | 116.5 | 13,835.00 | - | 16.49 | 39 | 125 | 18,070.00 | 161 | 12.5 | 6,110.00 | 284 | - | 1,417.00 | 37.08 | 17 | - | 6,935.00 | 58 | 1,402.00 | 61 | 404 |
| 08-Sep | 4.1 | Depth | 23.5 | | 16,905.00 | 22 | 70 | 13,860.00 | - | 12.13 | 28.5 | 226 | 20,165.00 | 140 | 15 | 5,815.00 | 328.5 | - | 1,309.50 | 15.9 | - | - | 6,360.00 | 56.5 | 1,943.00 | 65 | 308.5 |
| 08-Sep | 4.1 | Depth | 14 | | 16,905.00 | 18.5 | 70 | 11,905.00 | - | 16.38 | 73.5 | 83 | 21,135.00 | 135 | 16 | 6,935.00 | 368 | - | 1,275.00 | 29.63 | - | - | 6,930.00 | 63.5 | 2,060.00 | 69 | 233 |
| 08-Sep | 6.2 | Surface | | 26 | 20,830.00 | 38.5 | 60.5 | 19,780.00 | - | 17.31 | 45 | 67 | 25,295.00 | 168 | 21 | 7,995.00 | 433.5 | - | 1,397.00 | 27.3 | - | - | 5,540.00 | 70 | 2,788.50 | 80.5 | 145 |
| 08-Sep | 6.2 | Surface | 11 | | 18,055.00 | 26 | 43 | 17,565.00 | 6.15 | 17.87 | 37.5 | 71 | 23,900.00 | 148.5 | 24.5 | 7,520.00 | 395.5 | - | 1,473.00 | 20.28 | - | - | 5,540.00 | 73 | 2,357.00 | 80.5 | 162.5 |
| 08-Sep | 6.2 | Depth | | 17 | 27,145.00 | 25 | 67.5 | 19,615.00 | 11.70 | 29.61 | 37 | 89.5 | 37,895.00 | 177.5 | 36 | 13,485.00 | 662 | - | 1,650.50 | 27.36 | - | - | 5,860.00 | 88 | 4,022.00 | 138 | 202.5 |
| 08-Sep | 6.2 | Depth | | 18 | 24,565.00 | 27 | 63 | 18,395.00 | 11.71 | 24.84 | 34.5 | 84 | 33,715.00 | 163 | 29 | 11,455.00 | 609.5 | - | 1,575.00 | 26.32 | - | - | 5,370.00 | 79.5 | 3,397.50 | 112.5 | 209.5 |
| 22-Sep | 5.1 | Surface | | 18 | 7,890.00 | 27.5 | 64.5 | 6,790.00 | - | 12.94 | 23 | 64 | 14,890.00 | 111.5 | 8.5 | 3,993.50 | 213 | - | 884 | 27.4 | 13 | - | 4,318.50 | 35.5 | 324.5 | 38 | 235.5 |
| 22-Sep | 5.1 | Surface | 23 | | 9,475.00 | 54 | 76.5 | 7,400.00 | - | 14.45 | 24 | 88 | 17,090.00 | 123.5 | 9.5 | 4,566.00 | 253 | - | 1,058.00 | 34.93 | 19.5 | - | 5,835.00 | 41.5 | 1,009.50 | 41.5 | 286 |
| 22-Sep | 5.1 | Depth | 23 | | 14,725.00 | 24 | 83.5 | 10,865.00 | 6.42 | 15.59 | 23 | 55.5 | 19,260.00 | 153 | 15.5 | 7,655.00 | 373.5 | - | 1,352.00 | 30.02 | - | - | 4,882.50 | 53 | 1,698.50 | 61 | 228.5 |
| 22-Sep | 5.1 | Depth | 32.5 | | 12,875.00 | 35.5 | 60.5 | 13,685.00 | - | 15.04 | 18 | 93 | 19,010.00 | 112 | 15.5 | 6,750.00 | 377 | - | 1,160.50 | 23.75 | - | - | 4,665.00 | 55 | 1,519.50 | 56.5 | 181 |
| 22-Sep | 5.2 | Surface | | 16.5 | 11,110.00 | 24.5 | 48 | 8,955.00 | - | 10.64 | 27 | 84.5 | 16,650.00 | 137 | 10 | 4,201.00 | - | - | 1,162.00 | 24.06 | - | - | 7,855.00 | 64 | 1,042.00 | 44 | 136.5 |
| 22-Sep | 5.2 | Surface | 57.5 | | 18,930.00 | 22 | 119 | - | - | 11.64 | 38 | 99 | 18,270.00 | 153 | 12 | 4,976.50 | 414.5 | - | 1,960.50 | 19.93 | - | - | 102.5 | 1,186.00 | 54.5 | 156 | |
| 22-Sep | 5.2 | Depth | | 62 | 16,985.00 | 10 | 82.5 | 11,285.00 | - | 15.25 | 27.5 | 64 | 23,970.00 | 243 | 20 | 6,975.00 | 393 | - | 1,318.00 | 18.71 | - | - | 7,955.00 | 71 | 2,091.00 | 88.5 | 120.5 |
| 22-Sep | 5.2 | Depth | 10 | | 21,800.00 | 15.5 | 106 | - | - | 15.25 | 37.5 | 81 | 24,240.00 | 246 | 19 | 7,295.00 | 399 | - | 1,125.50 | 16.55 | - | - | 3,923.00 | 60.5 | 1,841.00 | 88 | 82 |
| 22-Sep | 5.3 | Surface | | 8.5 | 11,240.00 | 38 | 72 | 11,725.00 | - | 12.01 | 24.5 | 97 | 17,430.00 | 116.5 | 11.5 | 6,190.00 | 319 | - | 1,258.00 | 24.67 | - | - | 6,005.00 | 48.5 | 1,459.00 | 49 | 167 |
| 22-Sep | 5.3 | Surface | 17.5 | | 11,765.00 | 26 | 69.5 | - | 6.27 | 12.05 | - | 84 | 17,560.00 | 117 | 11.5 | 5,160.00 | 304.5 | - | 955 | 24.63 | - | - | 4,778.50 | 50 | 1,342.00 | 51.5 | 174.5 |
| 22-Sep | 5.3 | Depth | 24 | | 10,665.00 | 14 | 50 | 9,885.00 | - | 10.2 | 19 | 68 | 15,720.00 | 133.5 | 11.5 | 5,600.00 | 273 | - | 982 | 16.41 | - | - | 3,421.50 | 44 | 1,374.00 | 50 | 56 |
| 22-Sep | 5.3 | Depth | 5.3 | | 10,645.00 | 14 | 50 | - | 5.75 | 9.66 | 25.5 | 98.5 | 15,900.00 | 135 | 12 | 5,665.00 | 274.5 | - | 1,033.00 | 19.13 | - | - | 3,420.00 | 46.5 | 1,381.50 | 50.5 | 257.5 |
| 06-Oct | 3.3 | Surface | | | 20,915.00 | 127.5 | 92 | - | - | 22.146 | 90.38 | 24,170.12 | 197 | 37.7 | 6,844.33 | 429.34 | - | 2,596.00 | 10.33 | - | 4.16 | - | 6,225.5 | - | 2,121.70 | - | 66.52 |
| 06-Oct | 3.3 | Surface | | | 18,340.00 | 126.5 | 77.5 | - | - | 18.42 | 101.75 | 21,619.81 | 161 | 36.61 | 5,934.29 | 389.74 | - | 1,785.00 | 13.94 | - | 5.79 | - | 850 | - | 2,247.64 | - | 88.26 |
| 06-Oct | 3.3 | Surface | | 9.5 | 16,735.00 | 98 | 92.5 | - | - | 19.043 | 121.03 | 21,330.53 | 180 | 35.81 | 5,474.86 | 365.12 | - | 1,583.00 | 9.98 | 6.2 | 11.7 | 7.56 | - | 2,100.79 | - | 126.3 | |
| 06-Oct | 3.3 | Depth | | | 23,475.00 | 95.5 | 61 | - | - | 30.33 | 67.69 | 20,449.75 | 141 | 35.29 | 4,860.95 | 317.38 | - | 2,066.00 | 4.45 | - | 5.88 | - | 927 | - | 1,868.59 | - | 52.53 |
| 06-Oct | 3.3 | Depth | | | 17,125.00 | 79 | 58 | - | - | 6.762 | 64.73 | 21,881.17 | 151.5 | 38.31 | 6,614.01 | 384.57 | - | 1,613.00 | 4.77 | - | - | 674 | - | 1,889.85 | - | 54.02 | |
| 06-Oct | 3.3 | Depth | | | 20,105.00 | 102.5 | - | - | - | 44.073 | 75.69 | 24,140.04 | 169 | 36.87 | 6,670.85 | 411.66 | - | 2,135.00 | 3.96 | - | - | 904.5 | - | 2,176.34 | - | 72.24 | |
| 06-Oct | Lab Blank | Water | | | 0.06 | 0.06 | - | - | - | 0.07 | 0.09 | 0.55 | 0.01 | 0.05 | 0.01 | 0.05 | 0.01 | - | 0.49 | 0.04 | - | - | 1.18 | - | - | - | 0.1 |
| 06-Oct | Lab Blank | Water | | | 0.03 | 0.03 | - | - | - | 0.03 | 0.08 | 0.49 | 0.01 | 0.05 | 0.01 | 0.05 | 0.01 | - | 0.4 | 0.11 | - | - | 1.18 | - | - | - | 0.02 |
| 06-Oct | Lab Blank | Water | | | 0.03 | 0.06 | - | - | - | 0.07 | 0.05 | 0.88 | 0.01 | 0.05 | 0.01 | 0.05 | 0.01 | - | 0.48 | 0.23 | - | - | 1.11 | - | - | - | 0.6 |
| 06-Oct | 2.3 | Surface | | | 15,905.00 | 13 | 76 | 13,040.00 | 5.58 | 15.27 | 52 | 235 | 21,955.00 | 129 | 18 | 7,665.00 | 361 | - | 1,212.50 | 15.54 | 18.5 | - | 4,610.50 | 57.5 | 2,198.00 | 69 | 191 |
| 06-Oct | 2.3 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |

Appendix G: Raw Measurements for the Laboratory Column Test

Table 59. Determination of the Water Content in Beaver Lake Bog Soil

| Dec 6 2015 | | | | | | |
|------------|--------|---------|--------|---------|----------|---------------|
| Sample | Dish | Mi | Mf | Change | Change % | Water Content |
| | g | g | g | g | % | g/g |
| 1 | 0.9957 | 14.839 | 3.3151 | 10.5282 | 71% | 0.71 |
| 2 | 0.9896 | 15.829 | 3.5311 | 11.3083 | 71% | 0.71 |
| 3 | 1.0012 | 15.6708 | 3.4155 | 11.2541 | 72% | 0.72 |
| Average | - | - | - | - | 71.4% | 0.714 |
| St Dev | - | - | - | - | 0.4% | 0.004 |

Table 60. Raw Data Recorded for the 2-Week Preliminary Column Study

| Nov 8, 2015 | | | | | | | | | | |
|-----------------------------|-------|------|-------|-------|-------|---------|------|-------|-------|-------|
| 30 cm sediment, 30 cm water | | | | | | | | | | |
| Time | Depth | | | | | Surface | | | | |
| | DO | pH | Temp | Cond | ORP | DO | pH | Temp | Cond | ORP |
| Zero | 7.64 | 7.14 | 16.75 | 64.12 | 309.1 | 8.37 | 6.5 | 16.67 | 53.75 | 322.7 |
| 36 hrs | 5.19 | 6.15 | 19.2 | 58.13 | 384.7 | 4.69 | 5.71 | 19.21 | 54.97 | 390.2 |
| 96 hrs | 5.8 | 5.49 | 20.14 | 66.24 | 373.5 | 5.45 | 5.31 | 20.31 | 57.06 | 378.9 |
| 192 hrs | 3.99 | 5.44 | 20.36 | 94.33 | 376.6 | 5.35 | 5.48 | 20.45 | 49.95 | 372.6 |

Table 61. Mass of Soil Added to Each Column for the Column Study

| Nov 30, 2015 | |
|--------------|-----------|
| Column | Mass (kg) |
| 1 | 8.18 |
| 2 | 8.16 |
| 3 | 8.36 |
| 4 | 8.6 |
| 5 | 8.46 |
| 6 | 8.82 |
| 7 | 8.36 |
| 8 | 8.9 |
| 9 | 9.24 |
| 10 | 9.84 |
| 11 | 8.38 |
| 12 | 7.6 |
| 13 | 8.46 |
| 14 | 8.56 |
| 15 | 8.82 |
| 16 | 9.08 |
| Average | 8.61375 |
| St Dev | 0.49597 |

Table 62. Temperature, DO, pH, Conductivity, ORP - Raw Data – Column Log

| Date | Distilled Water Column | | | | | Stormwater Column | | | | |
|--------|------------------------|------|------|-------|-------|-------------------|--------|------|--------|-------|
| | Temp | DO | pH | ORP | Cond | Temp | DO | pH | ORP | Cond |
| 01-Dec | 17.46 | 2.3 | 6.12 | 328.1 | 34.31 | 17.36 | 2.85 | 5.7 | 345.6 | 60.55 |
| 02-Dec | 17.64 | 4.93 | 4.62 | 303.3 | 36.75 | 16.68 | 3.76 | 4.72 | 295.8 | 53.15 |
| 06-Dec | 17.61 | 4.7 | 4.75 | 330.6 | 48.25 | 17.71 | 1.44 | 4.54 | 270 | 61.99 |
| 09-Dec | 17.81 | 5.61 | 4.9 | 303.4 | 55.74 | 17.39 | 3.4 | 4.99 | 312.4 | 79.52 |
| 13-Dec | 17.21 | 3.11 | 4.91 | 292.9 | 67.55 | 17.61 | 1.1 | 4.92 | 358.4 | 77.26 |
| 16-Dec | 17.81 | 5 | 4.86 | 310.1 | 75.34 | 17.14 | 4.98 | 4.92 | 350.2 | 81.22 |
| 19-Dec | 17.16 | 1.96 | 4.96 | 332.1 | 74.37 | 17.59 | 2.61 | 5.39 | 281.1 | 89.74 |
| 23-Dec | 17.1 | 2.57 | 4.88 | 285.7 | 70.04 | 17.46 | 1.75 | 5.24 | 288.6 | 90.15 |
| 26-Dec | 17.58 | 0.43 | 5.14 | 323.7 | 82.82 | 17.75 | 0.31 | 5.09 | 299.15 | 83.58 |
| 30-Dec | 17.38 | 0.63 | 5.26 | 289.5 | 86.94 | 17.63 | 0.53 | 5.18 | 287.3 | 93.75 |
| 02-Jan | 17.56 | 0.41 | 5.14 | 285.5 | 91.66 | 17.45 | 0.12 | 5.4 | 278.3 | 88.26 |
| 04-Jan | 17.62 | 0.41 | 5.15 | 278.9 | 88.62 | 17.13 | 0.57 | 5.34 | 284.2 | 94.3 |
| 06-Jan | 16.99 | 1.5 | 5.38 | 385.2 | 81.29 | 16.85 | 0.86 | 4.95 | 237.7 | 81.72 |
| 08-Jan | 16.17 | 0.54 | 4 | 228 | 100.2 | 15.84 | 1.66 | 4.42 | 233.2 | 103.8 |
| 11-Jan | 16.16 | 1.33 | 4.38 | 210.7 | 78.1 | 15.59 | 0.72 | 4.23 | 223 | 106.3 |
| 13-Jan | 16.23 | 0.78 | 4.5 | 215.1 | 89.3 | 16.01 | 0.99 | 4.7 | 215 | 103.5 |
| 15-Jan | 15.94 | 1.3 | 4.23 | 225.6 | 78.03 | 15.98 | 0.93 | 4.36 | 260.2 | 100.3 |
| 18-Jan | 16.03 | 0.93 | 3.68 | 256.1 | 128.1 | 16.03 | 0.93 | 3.68 | 256.1 | 128.1 |
| 20-Jan | 16.55 | 0.57 | 3.97 | 223.3 | 90.74 | 15.37 | 1.64 | 3.77 | 226.9 | 111.8 |
| 22-Jan | 16 | 0.18 | 4.11 | 192.5 | 118.4 | 16.01 | 0.44 | 4.07 | 207.9 | 123.3 |
| 25-Jan | 16 | 1.12 | 4.52 | 158.4 | 112.4 | 16 | 0.91 | 4.31 | 179.4 | 112.1 |
| 27-Jan | 16.01 | 1.17 | 4.27 | 203.4 | 101.9 | 15.78 | 1.17 | 4.27 | 182.3 | 111.5 |
| 29-Jan | 15.35 | 0.27 | 4.98 | 255.1 | 111.4 | 15.76 | 0.2 | 4.7 | 234.4 | 93.1 |
| 01-Feb | 15.21 | 0.45 | 5.03 | 231.5 | 111.9 | 15.61 | 0.4335 | 4.5 | 229 | 97 |
| 03-Feb | 16.01 | 1.09 | 4.9 | 226.1 | 112.9 | 14.74 | 1.87 | 4.62 | 245.3 | 103 |
| 04-Feb | 13.1 | 0.29 | 4.89 | 231.1 | 111.5 | 13.1 | 0.67 | 4.67 | 240.5 | 104.1 |
| 05-Feb | 11.72 | 1.77 | 4.76 | 269.8 | 92.74 | 11.6 | 0.71 | 5 | 244.5 | 78.94 |
| 08-Feb | 11.08 | 1.23 | 4.82 | 209.7 | 110.1 | 11.1 | 0.54 | 4.98 | 201.4 | 87.67 |
| 09-Feb | 11.07 | 0.28 | 5.31 | 186.2 | 98.7 | 10.7 | 0.21 | 5.07 | 191.4 | 90.36 |
| 10-Feb | 11 | 1.3 | 5.1 | 184.2 | 98.4 | 10.79 | 0.12 | 5.05 | 190.17 | 90.91 |
| 11-Feb | | | | | | | | | | |
| 12-Feb | | | | | | | | | | |
| 15-Feb | | | | | | 11.58 | 0.9 | 5.11 | 311.7 | 109.3 |
| 16-Feb | 11.48 | 0.4 | 4.88 | 256.6 | 127 | 11.42 | 0.44 | 5.13 | 288.5 | 98.8 |
| 17-Feb | 11.41 | 0.35 | 4.85 | 254.3 | 132.5 | 9.65 | 0.76 | 5.44 | 301.4 | 99.9 |
| 18-Feb | 11.39 | 0.33 | 4.85 | 250.1 | 134.9 | 9.78 | 0.36 | 5.39 | 295.7 | 109.1 |
| 19-Feb | 10.41 | 0.34 | 5.3 | 270.1 | 110.8 | 10.12 | 0.76 | 5.4 | 290.1 | 110.1 |
| 21-Feb | 10.35 | 0.21 | 5.28 | 256.2 | 113 | 11.1 | 0.75 | 5.32 | 293.2 | 101.1 |
| 23-Feb | 10.38 | 0.81 | 5.28 | 261.2 | 109.7 | 9.8 | 0.3 | 5.4 | 290.3 | 144.1 |
| 24-Feb | 10.3 | 0.86 | 5.42 | 260.6 | 90.81 | 10.48 | 1.02 | 5.24 | 282.1 | 96.99 |
| 25-Feb | 10.41 | 0.64 | 5.16 | 308.1 | 100.8 | 9.78 | 0.95 | 5.42 | 257.2 | 75.83 |
| 26-Feb | | | | | | 10.37 | 1.96 | 5.58 | 352.3 | 73.93 |
| 28-Feb | 7.69 | 1.06 | 5.45 | 366 | 80.38 | 6.83 | 0.23 | 5.23 | 334.7 | 71.47 |
| 01-Mar | 10.51 | 0.58 | 5.43 | 311.8 | 77.32 | 10.12 | 2.84 | 5.45 | 341.8 | 66.99 |
| 02-Mar | 10.64 | 0.55 | 5.39 | 307.5 | 82.21 | 9.79 | 0.57 | 5.31 | 341.8 | 75.88 |
| 03-Mar | 10.44 | 0.21 | 5.5 | 299.2 | 74.25 | 10.47 | 0.14 | 5.52 | 317.1 | 55.84 |
| 04-Mar | 6.58 | 1.26 | 5.4 | 322 | 82.76 | 6.7 | 3.23 | 5.8 | 372.1 | 51.97 |
| 06-Mar | 7.58 | 2 | 5.33 | 331.1 | 71.04 | 5.16 | 0.62 | 5.63 | 258.1 | 45.83 |
| 08-Mar | 6.92 | 0.51 | 5.75 | 285.2 | 76.12 | 5.06 | 0.24 | 5.61 | 252.1 | 50.62 |
| 09-Mar | 5.91 | 0.57 | 5.67 | 324.1 | 55.8 | 5.08 | 0.5 | 5.83 | 324.1 | 47.12 |
| 10-Mar | 6.55 | 2.32 | 5.9 | 345 | 62.79 | 5.99 | 1.9 | 5.6 | 339 | 43.12 |
| 11-Mar | 6.44 | 3.13 | 5.49 | 334.7 | 59.49 | 5.53 | 1.87 | 5.73 | 298.1 | 45 |
| 13-Mar | 6.45 | 1.24 | 5.6 | 321 | 58.13 | 5.51 | 1.1 | 5.69 | 295.1 | 46.1 |
| 15-Mar | 6.43 | 1.16 | 5.48 | 321.1 | 59.5 | 5.49 | 0.97 | 5.69 | 281.1 | 47.1 |
| 16-Mar | 6.41 | 1 | 5.5 | 320 | 59.01 | 5.98 | 0.95 | 5.7 | 282.1 | 47.1 |
| 17-Mar | 5.9 | 0.7 | 5.39 | 325.5 | 60.31 | 6.1 | 0.87 | 5.69 | 281.1 | 48.5 |
| 18-Mar | 4.58 | 2.66 | 5.92 | 331.4 | 54.37 | 5.58 | 3.04 | 5.89 | 319.1 | 51.95 |
| 20-Mar | 6.47 | 3.34 | 5.95 | 297.8 | 67.6 | 6.6 | 4.1 | 5.95 | 245.5 | 47.54 |
| 22-Mar | 6.13 | 3.16 | 5.83 | 257 | 61.16 | 5.74 | 2.03 | 5.85 | 269.9 | 46.85 |
| 23-Mar | 5.94 | 1.31 | 5.76 | 245.3 | 53.92 | 5.99 | 2.26 | 5.99 | 263.1 | 45.63 |
| 24-Mar | 6.63 | 1.76 | 5.83 | 233.4 | 50.07 | 5.93 | 1.09 | 5.81 | 244.3 | 40.91 |
| 25-Mar | 6.66 | 1.94 | 5.82 | 233 | 50.37 | 6.13 | 1.14 | 5.83 | 225.2 | 43.48 |
| 28-Mar | 5.88 | 0.86 | 5.87 | 267.1 | 67 | 6.02 | 0.6 | 5.9 | 279.1 | 51.52 |

Table 63. Temperature, DO, pH, Conductivity, ORP - Raw Data – Column Log

| Column | Date | Temp | DO | pH | ORP | Cond |
|-------------------------|--------------|-------|------|------|-------|-------|
| Distilled Water Columns | | | | | | |
| 1 | Dec 4 2015 | 17.75 | 0.99 | 4.52 | 312.9 | 83.2 |
| 2 | Jan 3 2016 | 17.62 | 0.41 | 5.15 | 278.9 | 88.62 |
| 3 | Feb 3 2016 | 15.21 | 0.63 | 5.49 | 85.11 | 25.11 |
| 4 | Mar 3 2016 | 10.4 | 0.67 | 5.68 | 37.25 | 331 |
| 5 | April 1 2016 | 5.82 | 0.98 | 6.23 | 31.47 | 266.5 |
| Stormwater Columns | | | | | | |
| 7 | Dec 4 2015 | 17.66 | 2.16 | 4.51 | 330.7 | 86.43 |
| 8 | Dec 4 2015 | 17.63 | 1.11 | 4.48 | 322.4 | 92.27 |
| 9 | Jan 3 2016 | 17.13 | 0.86 | 4.95 | 284.3 | 94.3 |
| 10 | Jan 3 2016 | 17.01 | 0.97 | 4.46 | 297.4 | 92.1 |
| 11 | Feb 3 2016 | 14.91 | 0.97 | 5.01 | 230.1 | 82.1 |
| 12 | Feb 3 2016 | 14.50 | 0.64 | 4.93 | 235.1 | 83.2 |
| 13 | Mar 3 2016 | 10.5 | 1.69 | 5.93 | 345.1 | 50.59 |
| 14 | Mar 3 2016 | 10.41 | 1.31 | 5.84 | 345.7 | 33.93 |
| 15 | April 1 2016 | 6.21 | 0.40 | 6.23 | 263.1 | 31.01 |
| 16 | April 1 2016 | 6.44 | 1.31 | 6.23 | 266.5 | 31.17 |

Table 64. Turbidity, TSS, COD, TOC - Raw Data - Column Study

| Date | Site | Type | Turbidity NTU | TSS mg/L | COD mg/L | TOC mg/L |
|--------------|--------------------|-------|------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| Dec 4 2015 | Column 1 | Water | 338.00 | 576.00 | 670.00 | 74.03 |
| Dec 4 2015 | Column 1 | Water | 353.00 | 506.67 | 633.00 | 77.58 |
| Dec 4 2015 | Column 1 | Water | 349.00 | 546.67 | 626.00 | - |
| Jan 4 2015 | Column 2 | Water | 192.33 | 347.00 | 642.50 | 69.92 |
| Jan 4 2015 | Column 2 | Water | 238.33 | 221.00 | 690.50 | 78.09 |
| Jan 4 2015 | Column 2 | Water | - | - | - | - |
| Feb 4 2016 | Column 3 | Water | 40.00 | 73.00 | 167.00 | 33.77 |
| Feb 4 2016 | Column 3 | Water | 50.67 | 80.00 | 174.00 | 28.00 |
| Mar 4 2016 | Column 3 | Water | - | - | - | - |
| Mar 4 2016 | Column 4 | Water | 43.67 | 81.00 | 250.50 | 69.41 |
| Mar 4 2016 | Column 4 | Water | 32.67 | 83.00 | 242.50 | 98.22 |
| April 3 2016 | Column 4 | Water | 29.67 | - | - | 100.66 |
| April 3 2016 | Column 5 | Water | 72.83 | 41.00 | 169.33 | 41.05 |
| April 3 2016 | Column 5 | Water | 84.17 | 127.00 | 171.00 | 41.64 |
| April 3 2016 | Column 5 | Water | - | - | - | - |
| Dec 4 2015 | Column 7 | Water | 66.70 | 63.33 | 273.67 | 93.03 |
| Dec 4 2015 | Column 7 | Water | 65.90 | 73.33 | 193.00 | 95.49 |
| Dec 4 2015 | Column 7 | Water | 65.30 | 113.33 | 177.67 | - |
| Dec 4 2015 | Column 8 | Water | 48.10 | 136.67 | 149.67 | 92.92 |
| Dec 4 2015 | Column 8 | Water | 47.80 | 136.67 | 148.33 | 95.92 |
| Dec 4 2015 | Column 8 | Water | 47.30 | 113.33 | 152.33 | - |
| Jan 4 2015 | Column 9 | Water | 132.33 | 97.00 | 464.50 | 95.31 |
| Jan 4 2015 | Column 9 | Water | 129.33 | 133.00 | 447.00 | 97.99 |
| Jan 4 2015 | Column 9 | Water | - | 211.00 | - | - |
| Jan 4 2015 | Column 10 | Water | 57.33 | 28.00 | 203.50 | 82.18 |
| Jan 4 2015 | Column 10 | Water | 15.33 | - | 252.00 | 90.36 |
| Jan 4 2015 | Column 10 | Water | - | - | - | - |
| Feb 4 2016 | Column 11 | Water | 106.67 | 148.00 | 277.00 | 36.54 |
| Feb 4 2016 | Column 11 | Water | 111.00 | 84.00 | 268.00 | 37.42 |
| Feb 4 2016 | Column 11 | Water | - | - | - | - |
| Feb 4 2016 | Column 12 | Water | 118.33 | 43.00 | 272.00 | 33.67 |
| Feb 4 2016 | Column 12 | Water | 124.67 | 73.00 | 286.00 | 34.88 |
| Feb 4 2016 | Column 12 | Water | - | - | - | - |
| Mar 4 2016 | Column 13 | Water | 55.33 | 46.00 | 220.00 | 40.80 |
| Mar 4 2016 | Column 13 | Water | 51.33 | 33.00 | 224.50 | 65.65 |
| Mar 4 2016 | Column 13 | Water | 34.67 | - | - | - |
| Mar 4 2016 | Column 14 | Water | 89.00 | 29.00 | 673.50 | 103.46 |
| Mar 4 2016 | Column 14 | Water | 87.33 | 78.00 | 566.00 | 129.50 |
| Mar 4 2016 | Column 14 | Water | 60.33 | - | - | - |
| April 3 2016 | Column 15 | Water | 35.73 | 41.00 | 114.00 | 20.59 |
| April 3 2016 | Column 15 | Water | 36.93 | 39.00 | 108.67 | 22.00 |
| April 3 2016 | Column 15 | Water | - | - | - | - |
| April 3 2016 | Column 16 | Water | 37.60 | 44.00 | 207.67 | 45.50 |
| April 3 2016 | Column 16 | Water | 39.40 | 94.00 | 210.00 | 44.99 |
| April 3 2016 | Column 16 | Water | - | - | - | - |
| Dec 4 2015 | Stormwater Week 1 | Water | 39.50 | 169.00 | - | 54.70 |
| Dec 4 2015 | Stormwater Week 1 | Water | 53.00 | 162.00 | - | 54.96 |
| Dec 4 2015 | Stormwater Week 1 | Water | 50.20 | 201.00 | - | - |
| Jan 4 2015 | Stormwater Week 4 | Water | 22.33 | 64.00 | 178.50 | 84.16 |
| Jan 4 2015 | Stormwater Week 4 | Water | 20.67 | 70.00 | 195.50 | 84.32 |
| Jan 4 2015 | Stormwater Week 4 | Water | - | - | - | - |
| Feb 4 2016 | Stormwater Week 8 | Water | 25.33 | 83.00 | 108.00 | 5.57 |
| Feb 4 2016 | Stormwater Week 8 | Water | 28.33 | 85.00 | 119.00 | 5.45 |
| Feb 4 2016 | Stormwater Week 8 | Water | - | - | - | - |
| Mar 4 2016 | Stormwater Week 12 | Water | 6.00 | 406.00 | 134.50 | 48.75 |
| Mar 4 2016 | Stormwater Week 12 | Water | 6.00 | 188.00 | 143.50 | 59.87 |
| Mar 4 2016 | Stormwater Week 12 | Water | 4.00 | - | - | - |
| April 3 2016 | Stormwater Week 16 | Water | 91.57 | 267.00 | 234.67 | 3.18 |
| April 3 2016 | Stormwater Week 16 | Water | 92.57 | 1,491.00 | 191.00 | 3.05 |
| April 3 2016 | Stormwater Week 16 | Water | - | - | - | - |
| Dec 4 2015 | Blank Week 1 | Water | 0.19 | - | - | 0.58 |
| Dec 4 2015 | Blank Week 1 | Water | 1.64 | 1.00 | - | 0.56 |
| Dec 4 2015 | Blank Week 1 | Water | 1.58 | 2.00 | - | - |
| Jan 4 2015 | Blank Week 4 | Water | 0.24 | - | 3.00 | 0.56 |
| Jan 4 2015 | Blank Week 4 | Water | 0.13 | - | 10.00 | 0.55 |
| Jan 4 2015 | Blank Week 4 | Water | - | - | - | - |
| Feb 4 2016 | Blank Week 8 | Water | 1.30 | 1.00 | 11.00 | 0.92 |
| Feb 4 2016 | Blank Week 8 | Water | 1.00 | - | 2.00 | 1.10 |
| Feb 4 2016 | Blank Week 8 | Water | - | - | - | - |
| Mar 4 2016 | Blank Week 12 | Water | - | - | - | 1.04 |
| Mar 4 2016 | Blank Week 12 | Water | - | 3.00 | - | 0.95 |
| Mar 4 2016 | Blank Week 12 | Water | - | - | - | - |
| April 3 2016 | Blank Week 16 | Water | 0.14 | - | - | 0.53 |
| April 3 2016 | Blank Week 16 | Water | 0.13 | 2.00 | - | 0.81 |
| April 3 2016 | Blank Week 16 | Water | - | - | - | - |

Table 65. Metals - Raw Data - Column Study - Water

| Column | As | Al | B | Ba | Ca | Cd | Co | Cr | Cu | Fe | K | Mg | Mn | Mo | Na | Ni | Pb | Sb | Se | Si | Sr | Ti | V | Zn | |
|--------------------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|------|
| | (mg/L) | |
| Column 1 | 0.96 | 0.08 | 0.05 | | | | | | 0.07 | 1.34 | 0.12 | | 0.11 | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Column 1 | 0.91 | 0.08 | 0.05 | | | | | | 0.17 | | 0.15 | 1.02 | 0.16 | 0.10 | 8.79 | 0.13 | 0.10 | 0.02 | 0.05 | 3.39 | 0.04 | 0.04 | 0.01 | 0.14 | |
| Column 2 | 0.89 | 0.07 | 0.05 | 5.75 | | | | | | | 0.15 | 1.02 | 0.16 | | 8.58 | 0.11 | 0.08 | 0.02 | 0.05 | 3.25 | 0.04 | 0.04 | 0.01 | 0.14 | |
| Column 2 | 0.88 | 0.07 | 0.05 | 5.67 | | | | | 0.19 | 2.09 | 0.14 | 1.01 | 0.15 | 0.09 | 8.52 | 0.11 | 0.07 | 0.02 | 0.04 | | 0.03 | 0.04 | 0.01 | 0.14 | |
| Column 3 | 0.78 | 0.07 | 0.05 | 5.39 | | | | 0.04 | | 2.09 | 0.14 | 1.01 | 0.15 | 0.09 | 8.29 | 0.10 | 0.07 | 0.02 | 0.04 | 3.25 | 0.03 | 0.03 | 0.01 | 0.13 | |
| Column 3 | 0.76 | 0.07 | 0.05 | 11.75 | | | | 0.05 | 0.14 | 1.96 | 0.13 | 0.97 | 0.14 | 0.09 | 8.15 | 0.09 | 0.06 | 0.02 | 0.04 | | 0.03 | 0.03 | 0.01 | 0.13 | |
| Column 4 | 0.03 | 0.72 | 0.07 | 0.05 | 10.47 | | | | 0.12 | 0.17 | 1.74 | 0.13 | 0.95 | 0.14 | 0.08 | 7.68 | 0.07 | 0.04 | 0.02 | 0.04 | 3.24 | 0.03 | 0.03 | 0.01 | 0.12 |
| Column 4 | 0.71 | 0.07 | 0.05 | 8.76 | | | | | 0.17 | | 1.72 | 0.13 | 0.93 | 0.14 | | 7.52 | 0.07 | 0.04 | 0.02 | 0.04 | 3.17 | 0.03 | 0.03 | 0.01 | 0.12 |
| Column 4 | 0.01 | 0.57 | 0.06 | 0.04 | 10.22 | | | | 0.17 | 1.63 | 0.13 | 0.92 | 0.13 | | 7.28 | 0.07 | 0.03 | 0.02 | 0.04 | 3.05 | 0.03 | 0.01 | 0.01 | 0.11 | |
| Column 5 | 0.52 | 0.06 | 0.03 | 11.33 | | | | 0.02 | 0.14 | 1.56 | 0.13 | 0.89 | 0.13 | 0.08 | 7.27 | 0.06 | 0.02 | 0.01 | 0.04 | 3.02 | 0.02 | 0.01 | 0.01 | 0.10 | |
| Column 5 | 0.46 | 0.05 | 0.03 | 10.48 | | | | 0.05 | 0.13 | 1.40 | 0.13 | 0.65 | 0.12 | 0.08 | 7.21 | 0.03 | 0.02 | 0.01 | 0.04 | 2.81 | 0.02 | 0.01 | 0.01 | 0.10 | |
| Column 7 | 1.04 | 0.08 | 0.06 | 4.85 | | | | 0.04 | | 2.58 | 0.15 | 1.06 | 0.17 | 0.08 | 13.41 | 0.14 | 0.10 | 0.02 | 0.05 | 2.30 | 0.04 | 0.04 | 0.01 | 0.14 | |
| Column 7 | 1.13 | 0.08 | 0.06 | 5.40 | | | | 0.05 | 0.45 | 2.59 | 0.16 | 1.12 | 0.17 | 0.07 | 14.87 | 0.17 | 0.11 | 0.02 | 0.05 | 2.03 | 0.04 | 0.04 | 0.01 | 0.18 | |
| Column 8 | 0.02 | 1.20 | 0.09 | 0.06 | 3.67 | | 0.01 | 0.06 | 0.47 | 2.63 | 0.16 | 1.13 | 0.18 | 0.02 | 14.93 | 0.20 | 0.11 | 0.02 | 0.05 | 3.46 | 0.04 | 0.04 | 0.01 | 0.20 | |
| Column 8 | 0.06 | 1.21 | 0.10 | 0.06 | 3.48 | | 0.02 | | 0.47 | 2.75 | 0.17 | 1.17 | 0.19 | 0.02 | 16.31 | 0.21 | 0.12 | 0.02 | 0.05 | 3.46 | 0.04 | 0.04 | 0.01 | 0.22 | |
| Column 9 | 0.01 | 1.28 | 0.10 | 0.06 | 15.44 | | | 0.07 | 0.42 | 2.81 | 0.18 | 1.17 | 0.21 | 0.10 | 16.54 | 0.22 | 0.12 | 0.02 | 0.05 | 3.57 | 0.04 | 0.05 | 0.02 | 0.23 | |
| Column 9 | 1.31 | 0.10 | 0.06 | 14.43 | | | | 0.07 | | 2.88 | 0.18 | 1.20 | 0.21 | 0.10 | 17.04 | 0.25 | 0.14 | 0.02 | 0.05 | 3.80 | 0.05 | 0.05 | 0.02 | 0.25 | |
| Column 10 | 1.35 | 0.11 | 0.07 | 9.90 | | | | | | 2.92 | 0.18 | 1.20 | 0.22 | 0.10 | 17.81 | 0.27 | 0.14 | 0.02 | 0.05 | 3.80 | 0.05 | 0.05 | 0.02 | 0.25 | |
| Column 10 | 1.59 | 0.12 | 0.07 | 12.36 | | | 0.01 | 0.12 | 0.48 | 2.96 | 0.22 | 1.23 | 0.23 | 0.11 | 18.88 | | 0.16 | 0.03 | 0.05 | 3.81 | 0.05 | 0.06 | 0.02 | 0.26 | |
| Column 11 | 1.93 | 0.12 | 0.08 | 7.77 | | | | | 0.51 | 3.57 | 0.25 | 1.27 | 0.24 | 0.12 | 19.90 | | 0.17 | 0.03 | 0.05 | 3.91 | 0.06 | 0.06 | 0.02 | 0.26 | |
| Column 11 | 2.00 | 0.12 | 0.08 | 8.25 | | | | 0.12 | 0.55 | | 0.26 | 1.27 | 0.24 | 0.12 | 20.16 | 0.28 | 0.18 | 0.03 | 0.06 | | 0.06 | 0.07 | 0.02 | 0.26 | |
| Column 12 | 0.02 | 2.05 | 0.13 | 0.08 | 5.64 | | 0.01 | 0.18 | 0.55 | | 0.26 | 1.29 | 0.28 | | 20.57 | 0.29 | 0.18 | 0.03 | 0.06 | 3.98 | 0.07 | 0.07 | 0.02 | 0.27 | |
| Column 12 | 2.06 | 0.13 | 0.09 | 6.69 | | | 0.01 | 0.22 | 0.56 | 3.57 | 0.26 | 1.31 | 0.30 | 0.12 | 21.15 | | 0.18 | 0.03 | 0.06 | 4.10 | 0.07 | 0.08 | 0.02 | 0.28 | |
| Column 13 | 2.06 | 0.14 | 0.09 | 4.90 | | | | 0.12 | 0.60 | 3.85 | 0.27 | 1.32 | 0.30 | | 21.87 | 0.40 | 0.18 | 0.03 | 0.06 | 4.57 | 0.07 | 0.09 | 0.02 | 0.29 | |
| Column 13 | 0.02 | 2.07 | 0.17 | 0.09 | 4.47 | | | 0.12 | 0.61 | 3.87 | 0.27 | 1.34 | 0.31 | 0.13 | 22.20 | | 0.23 | 0.03 | 0.06 | 4.63 | 0.07 | 0.09 | 0.02 | 0.30 | |
| Column 13 | 2.14 | 0.21 | 0.09 | 5.30 | | | 0.04 | | 0.63 | 4.06 | 0.28 | 1.42 | 0.31 | 0.15 | 22.82 | 0.43 | 0.23 | 0.03 | 0.06 | 4.74 | 0.07 | 0.09 | 0.02 | 0.36 | |
| Column 14 | 0.04 | 2.16 | 0.21 | 0.09 | 7.76 | | 0.01 | | 0.64 | 5.91 | 0.28 | 1.56 | 0.32 | | 24.06 | | 0.24 | 0.04 | 0.06 | 4.83 | 0.08 | 0.09 | 0.02 | 0.38 | |
| Column 14 | 2.24 | 0.22 | 0.10 | 8.06 | | | | 0.18 | 0.65 | 6.01 | 0.29 | 1.63 | 0.37 | 0.16 | 24.10 | 0.53 | 0.25 | 0.04 | 0.07 | 4.88 | 0.08 | 0.09 | 0.02 | 0.40 | |
| Column 14 | 0.02 | 2.32 | 0.25 | 0.10 | 8.29 | | | 0.22 | 0.70 | 6.46 | 0.29 | 1.71 | 0.40 | 0.23 | 24.20 | | 0.25 | 0.04 | 0.07 | 4.90 | 0.09 | 0.10 | 0.02 | 0.40 | |
| Column 15 | 2.57 | 0.25 | 0.10 | 5.92 | | 0.01 | 0.01 | 0.25 | 0.70 | 6.52 | 0.31 | 1.76 | 0.41 | 0.24 | 25.66 | 0.66 | 0.26 | | 0.07 | 5.25 | 0.09 | 0.10 | 0.03 | 0.43 | |
| Column 15 | 0.08 | 2.61 | 0.25 | 0.11 | 5.72 | | | 0.28 | 0.70 | 7.06 | 0.36 | 1.76 | 0.41 | 0.26 | 25.87 | 0.46 | | 0.07 | 5.32 | 0.09 | 0.11 | 0.03 | 0.44 | | |
| Column 16 | 0.11 | 2.86 | 0.29 | 0.12 | 5.68 | | | 0.29 | 0.75 | 8.90 | 0.37 | 1.80 | 0.46 | 0.27 | 27.81 | 0.56 | | 0.07 | 5.35 | 0.11 | 0.55 | 0.03 | 0.44 | | |
| Column 16 | 0.06 | 2.87 | 0.33 | 0.12 | 5.68 | | | 0.30 | 0.78 | 10.04 | 0.38 | 2.05 | 0.46 | 0.27 | | 0.43 | | 0.07 | 5.84 | 0.11 | | 0.03 | 0.49 | | |
| Stormwater Week 1 | 4.57 | 0.27 | 0.18 | 3.44 | 0.01 | 0.03 | | 0.77 | 12.16 | 0.07 | 1.32 | 0.35 | 0.40 | 18.25 | 1.07 | 0.29 | 0.05 | 0.04 | 8.04 | 0.03 | 0.22 | 0.02 | 0.82 | | |
| Stormwater Week 1 | 4.04 | 0.17 | 0.20 | 3.16 | 0.01 | 0.03 | | 0.82 | 13.19 | 0.06 | 1.18 | 0.34 | 0.42 | 16.98 | 1.20 | 0.28 | 0.07 | 0.05 | 7.67 | 0.02 | 0.18 | 0.03 | 0.88 | | |
| Stormwater Week 4 | 2.12 | 0.14 | 0.10 | 2.64 | | 0.03 | | 0.56 | 10.91 | 0.05 | 0.74 | 0.48 | 0.56 | 15.13 | | | 0.32 | 0.06 | 0.05 | 4.86 | 0.02 | 0.11 | 0.02 | 0.72 | |
| Stormwater Week 4 | 1.36 | 0.21 | 0.10 | 2.49 | | 0.02 | | 0.48 | 4.71 | 0.04 | 0.52 | 0.23 | 0.52 | 13.23 | 0.90 | 0.33 | 0.05 | 0.05 | 4.09 | 0.01 | 0.07 | 0.01 | 0.74 | | |
| Stormwater Week 8 | 0.03 | 2.25 | 0.05 | 0.12 | 2.36 | | 0.02 | 0.22 | 0.51 | 3.16 | 0.05 | 0.77 | 0.11 | 0.32 | 14.02 | 0.41 | 0.21 | 0.05 | 0.05 | 4.40 | 0.01 | 0.11 | 0.01 | 1.01 | |
| Stormwater Week 8 | 0.04 | 3.52 | 0.07 | 0.14 | 3.98 | | 0.02 | 0.11 | 0.59 | 3.86 | 0.06 | 1.17 | 0.21 | 0.38 | 20.24 | 0.22 | 0.25 | 0.04 | 0.05 | 7.20 | 0.02 | 0.18 | 0.02 | 1.11 | |
| Stormwater Week 12 | 7.82 | 0.05 | 0.24 | 4.06 | | 0.01 | 0.29 | 0.91 | 8.36 | 0.10 | 2.24 | 0.14 | 0.67 | 15.99 | 0.25 | 0.85 | 0.06 | 0.04 | 14.01 | 0.04 | 0.38 | 0.03 | 1.02 | | |
| Stormwater Week 12 | 9.34 | 0.05 | 0.28 | 5.00 | | 0.01 | 0.28 | 1.11 | 9.85 | 0.12 | 2.79 | 0.18 | 0.75 | 10.98 | 0.36 | 0.99 | 0.06 | 0.07 | 16.55 | 0.04 | 0.43 | 0.03 | 1.14 | | |
| Stormwater Week 16 | 0.04 | 4.03 | 0.10 | 0.21 | 3.64 | 0.01 | | 0.13 | 0.71 | 4.37 | 0.06 | 1.27 | 0.39 | 0.54 | 5.24 | 0.15 | 0.67 | 0.05 | 0.05 | 7.72 | 0.02 | 0.19 | 0.02 | 0.93 | |
| Stormwater Week 16 | 0.09 | | 0.12 | | | 0.02 | 0.02 | 0.53 | | | 0.28 | | 0.37 | | | 0.22 | | 0.11 | 0.05 | | 0.11 | 1.24 | 0.07 | | |
| Blank Week 1 | 0.11 | | | 0.05 | | | | | 2.19 | | 0.02 | 0.10 | 0.01 | | | | | 0.05 | 1.03 | | | 0.01 | 0.04 | | |
| Blank Week 1 | 0.09 | 0.10 | | | | 0.01 | | | 3.40 | | 0.02 | 0.14 | 0.01 | 1.08 | | 0.02 | | 0.05 | 0.90 | | | 0.01 | 0.04 | | |
| Blank Week 4 | | 0.10 | | | | | | | 0.11 | | | 0.03 | 0.09 | 0.01 | 1.26 | | 0.01 | 0.02 | 0.05 | 1.09 | | | 0.01 | 0.04 | |
| Blank Week 4 | 0.01 | 0.13 | | 0.13 | | | | | 0.11 | 2.48 | | 0.03 | 0.17 | 0.01 | | | 0.01 | 0.01 | 0.08 | 1.10 | | 0.01 | 0.01 | 0.04 | |
| Blank Week 8 | | 0.12 | 0.09 | | 0.20 | | 0.02 | | | | 0.09 | 0.07 | 0.03 | 1.52 | | 0.05 | 0.02 | 0.05 | 1.22 | | | 0.02 | 0.07 | | |
| Blank Week 8 | 0.01 | 0.09 | 0.08 | | 0.14 | | 0.02 | | 0.43 | 0.02 | | 0.08 | 0.02 | | | 0.03 | 0.05 | | 0.06 | | | | | 0.04 | |
| Blank Week 12 | 0.02 | 0.06 | 0.07 | | | | 0.01 | | 0.06 | | 0.01 | 0.08 | 0.01 | 0.71 | | 0.02 | 0.01 | 0.06 | 0.55 | | | 0.01 | 0.02 | | |
| Blank Week 12 | 0.01 | 0.07 | 0.08 | | | | | 0.03 | 0.03 | 0.17 | | | 0.02 | | 0.60 | 0.08 | | 0.06 | 0.63 | | | | | 0.02 | |
| Blank Week 16 | 0.05 | 0.04 | | 0.54 | | | 0.07 | 0.04 | 0.39 | | | 0.12 | | | 0.84 | 0.03 | | 0.01 | 0.04 | 0.52 | | | | 0.04 | |
| Blank Week 16 | 0.06 | 0.04 | | 0.72 | | | 0.14 | 0.05 | 0.58 | | 0.15 | 0.01 | | | 1.05 | 0.08 | | 0.01 | 0.06 | 0.70 | | | | 0.05 | |

Table 66. Metals – Raw Data - Column Study - Sediment

| Date | Column | Sediment | Al | B | Ba | Ca | Cd | Co | Cr | Cu | Fe | K | Mg | Mn | Mo | Na | Ni | Pb | Sb | Zn |
|--------------|-----------|----------|---------|----------|---------|----------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|----------|----------|---------|---------|
| | | | (mg/kg) | (mg/kg) | (mg/kg) | (mg/kg) | (mg/kg) | (mg/kg) | (mg/kg) | (mg/kg) | (mg/kg) | (mg/kg) | (mg/kg) | (mg/kg) | (mg/kg) | (mg/kg) | (mg/kg) | (mg/kg) | (mg/kg) | (mg/kg) |
| Dec 4 2015 | Column 1 | Surface | 1525.62 | 29.74 | - | 14590.41 | - | - | - | - | 2932.54 | 23.95 | 886.21 | 228.22 | 9.08 | - | 34.57 | - | 7.31 | 151.05 |
| Dec 4 2015 | Column 1 | Surface | - | 29.68 | 88.67 | 14299.08 | - | - | - | - | 2864.73 | 23.37 | 885.27 | - | 8.98 | 2680.83 | 28.24 | - | 7.15 | 166.81 |
| Dec 4 2015 | Column 1 | Surface | 1525.62 | 27.47 | 90.37 | 13325.11 | - | - | - | - | 2745.01 | 22.65 | 884.75 | 218.48 | 8.63 | 2504.64 | 22.77 | - | 6.48 | - |
| Jan 4 2016 | Column 2 | Surface | - | 27.40 | 84.42 | 13222.67 | - | - | - | - | 2727.06 | 21.48 | 914.01 | 211.59 | 8.41 | 2485.42 | 24.18 | - | 6.57 | - |
| Jan 4 2016 | Column 2 | Surface | 1437.94 | 26.28 | 85.09 | 12623.69 | - | - | - | - | 20.32 | 852.33 | - | 8.13 | 2483.48 | 25.80 | - | 7.05 | 142.55 | |
| Jan 4 2016 | Column 2 | Surface | 1465.42 | - | 85.05 | 11702.02 | - | - | - | - | 2636.59 | 21.37 | 850.52 | 194.98 | 8.07 | 2362.90 | 26.93 | - | 6.48 | 143.28 |
| Jan 4 2016 | Column 3 | Surface | 1343.70 | - | - | 11661.47 | - | - | - | - | 2717.72 | 19.12 | 676.61 | 190.73 | 8.01 | 2083.92 | - | - | - | - |
| Feb 4 2016 | Column 3 | Surface | 1285.75 | 23.42 | 77.35 | 11482.28 | - | - | - | - | 2597.35 | 19.84 | 814.80 | 208.91 | 7.97 | 2249.87 | - | - | 6.34 | 140.13 |
| Feb 4 2016 | Column 3 | Surface | 1209.56 | 24.64 | 75.52 | 11256.94 | - | - | - | - | 2589.79 | 18.66 | 737.67 | 186.52 | 7.92 | 2027.08 | 27.47 | - | 6.36 | 136.80 |
| Mar 4 2016 | Column 4 | Surface | 1177.52 | 22.92 | 74.54 | 10875.86 | - | - | - | - | 2596.36 | 18.45 | 736.13 | 188.08 | 7.87 | 2055.73 | - | - | 6.05 | 128.40 |
| Mar 4 2016 | Column 4 | Surface | 1174.63 | - | 73.89 | 9722.96 | - | - | - | - | 2552.69 | 18.55 | 699.34 | 172.57 | 7.68 | - | - | - | 6.15 | 120.76 |
| Mar 4 2016 | Column 4 | Surface | - | - | 73.89 | 7393.53 | - | - | - | - | 2581.85 | - | 838.04 | 176.59 | 7.01 | 2020.08 | 22.01 | - | - | 115.20 |
| April 3 2016 | Column 5 | Surface | 1050.22 | 22.71 | 68.77 | 5644.48 | - | - | - | - | 2446.49 | 18.05 | 657.20 | 158.37 | 6.92 | 1908.03 | 18.62 | - | 5.83 | 109.51 |
| April 3 2016 | Column 5 | Surface | 1068.21 | 22.73 | 68.48 | 5040.16 | - | - | - | - | 2026.57 | 17.64 | 587.10 | 156.94 | 6.66 | 1811.39 | - | - | - | 107.11 |
| April 3 2016 | Column 5 | Surface | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 2439.99 | 18.65 | - | 168.44 | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| Dec 4 2015 | Column 7 | Surface | 1628.57 | 41.40 | 96.94 | 15328.71 | - | - | - | - | 25.08 | 902.52 | 230.01 | 10.33 | 2916.05 | 34.88 | 120.57 | 7.37 | 150.94 | |
| Dec 4 2015 | Column 7 | Surface | 1635.84 | 38.40 | - | 15414.99 | - | - | 20.00 | - | 25.02 | 861.50 | 253.50 | 11.45 | 3038.51 | 29.14 | 117.38 | 7.59 | - | |
| Dec 4 2015 | Column 8 | Surface | 1646.69 | 41.40 | 97.69 | 15520.93 | - | - | 20.89 | - | 25.14 | 959.89 | 255.97 | 11.71 | 3130.09 | 40.32 | 103.04 | 7.72 | 168.85 | |
| Dec 4 2015 | Column 8 | Surface | 1685.12 | 43.77 | - | 15676.16 | - | - | 17.42 | - | 26.67 | 1016.23 | 222.53 | 12.05 | 4021.57 | - | - | 98.56 | 7.90 | 170.36 |
| Jan 4 2016 | Column 9 | Surface | 1881.78 | 50.37 | - | 17966.27 | - | - | 28.24 | 365.15 | - | 25.79 | 999.79 | 266.29 | - | 3172.10 | 42.99 | 158.78 | 10.28 | 173.30 |
| Jan 4 2016 | Column 9 | Surface | 1829.04 | 49.95 | 99.35 | 17073.15 | - | - | 25.71 | 366.09 | 3027.24 | 27.78 | 1024.05 | 277.49 | 12.96 | 3695.47 | - | - | 9.97 | 199.66 |
| Jan 4 2016 | Column 10 | Surface | 1841.17 | 49.27 | 97.86 | 16794.02 | - | - | 23.86 | 374.11 | 3109.95 | 30.31 | 1053.04 | 278.90 | 13.01 | - | 47.81 | 179.46 | 9.53 | 181.42 |
| Jan 4 2016 | Column 10 | Surface | - | 48.48 | - | 16483.31 | - | - | - | 379.35 | 2956.01 | 29.88 | 1035.02 | 276.64 | 12.50 | 3512.95 | 51.07 | 175.27 | 9.32 | 225.84 |
| Feb 4 2016 | Column 11 | Surface | 1903.22 | 52.40 | 106.39 | 21546.60 | - | 5.24 | 38.37 | 401.18 | 3333.85 | 29.86 | 1084.48 | 280.07 | 13.69 | 3407.08 | 60.74 | 172.90 | 8.98 | 224.26 |
| Feb 4 2016 | Column 11 | Surface | 1991.74 | 53.96 | - | 21554.99 | - | - | 42.30 | 406.44 | 3250.65 | 30.36 | 1117.57 | 280.71 | 13.18 | 3580.71 | 66.54 | 175.39 | 7.90 | 226.43 |
| Feb 4 2016 | Column 12 | Surface | 2039.44 | 58.10 | 117.56 | 22840.07 | - | 5.14 | 40.63 | 415.07 | 3401.45 | 30.75 | 1167.95 | 288.74 | 15.02 | 3812.54 | 54.23 | 181.09 | 10.57 | 244.25 |
| Feb 4 2016 | Column 12 | Surface | - | 64.51 | - | 23296.70 | - | - | 39.33 | 425.91 | 3439.57 | 31.55 | 1124.76 | - | - | - | 54.86 | 189.25 | 10.72 | 250.02 |
| Mar 4 2016 | Column 13 | Surface | 2596.64 | 68.51 | - | 23780.81 | - | 5.30 | 71.16 | 427.70 | 3622.37 | 31.01 | - | 316.20 | 19.54 | 4600.69 | 62.51 | 182.55 | 11.31 | 318.02 |
| Mar 4 2016 | Column 13 | Surface | 2366.85 | 71.64 | 121.18 | 24041.01 | - | 5.39 | 64.35 | 443.40 | 3582.91 | 33.92 | 1260.08 | - | 19.70 | 3338.50 | 64.51 | 197.31 | 11.72 | 306.55 |
| Mar 4 2016 | Column 14 | Surface | 2457.86 | 80.76 | 118.17 | 25040.65 | - | 6.13 | 66.50 | 445.91 | 3581.56 | 42.19 | 1297.79 | - | - | 5160.07 | 61.72 | - | 12.87 | 323.88 |
| Mar 4 2016 | Column 14 | Surface | 2326.62 | 81.03 | 118.55 | 27966.34 | - | - | 55.14 | - | - | 37.26 | 1221.63 | 302.30 | 23.83 | 4721.10 | 81.67 | 191.93 | 15.03 | 323.97 |
| April 3 2016 | Column 15 | Surface | - | 91.09 | 150.59 | 29033.97 | - | 9.89 | 96.09 | 508.04 | 4488.20 | 35.57 | 1307.80 | - | - | 5561.68 | 78.61 | - | 18.14 | - |
| April 3 2016 | Column 15 | Surface | 3375.88 | 91.16 | - | 31383.00 | - | 9.54 | 86.27 | 525.60 | 4044.50 | 48.56 | - | 345.46 | 36.21 | 5731.93 | - | 203.67 | 21.29 | 350.51 |
| April 3 2016 | Column 16 | Surface | 3492.38 | 104.75 | 144.31 | 37912.45 | - | 10.85 | 103.87 | 476.74 | 4004.22 | 49.11 | 1335.00 | - | 36.64 | - | 86.01 | 215.66 | 25.73 | 347.20 |
| April 3 2016 | Column 16 | Surface | 3221.18 | 109.84 | - | 38138.42 | 6.04 | - | 73.87 | 496.54 | 4760.73 | - | - | 351.95 | - | - | 75.59 | - | 27.28 | - |
| Dec 4 2015 | Column 11 | Depth | 76.74 | 31283.32 | - | 29.85 | 2886.52 | 32.63 | 1182.59 | 223.90 | - | 4469.80 | - | 14.42 | - | 167.37 | 76.74 | 31283.32 | - | 29.85 |
| Dec 4 2015 | Column 11 | Depth | 84.12 | 9723.96 | 29.88 | 30.08 | 2616.00 | 28.19 | 861.27 | 231.85 | 6.44 | 4077.63 | - | 13.35 | - | 154.86 | 84.12 | 9723.96 | 29.88 | 30.08 |
| Dec 4 2015 | Column 11 | Depth | 56.48 | 9537.64 | 15.54 | 30.08 | 2605.59 | 28.95 | 856.29 | 243.18 | - | - | - | 13.46 | 5.44 | 121.86 | 56.48 | 9537.64 | 15.54 | 30.08 |
| Dec 4 2015 | Column 7 | Depth | 84.52 | 11237.87 | 16.71 | 31.93 | 2664.30 | 52.08 | 1012.19 | 203.56 | 8.98 | 3800.08 | 25.81 | 13.84 | 8.06 | 173.50 | 84.52 | 11237.87 | 16.71 | 31.93 |
| Dec 4 2015 | Column 7 | Depth | 85.99 | 19133.53 | 50.64 | 32.22 | 2924.00 | 36.88 | 1123.22 | 253.45 | 8.21 | 4079.25 | 27.26 | - | 9.12 | 178.23 | 85.99 | 19133.53 | 50.64 | 32.22 |
| Dec 4 2015 | Column 8 | Depth | 87.77 | 11885.02 | 35.09 | 32.99 | 2853.95 | 31.21 | 930.30 | 290.34 | 7.52 | 3891.88 | 26.00 | - | 8.17 | 161.36 | 87.77 | 11885.02 | 35.09 | 32.99 |
| Dec 4 2015 | Column 8 | Depth | 90.26 | 19253.47 | - | 33.56 | 2741.65 | 33.02 | 1076.51 | 305.57 | 6.65 | - | 32.00 | 16.83 | 7.95 | 189.16 | 90.26 | 19253.47 | - | 33.56 |
| Jan 4 2016 | Column 2 | Depth | 65.41 | 15159.82 | - | 34.18 | 3372.13 | 39.29 | 1229.41 | 209.29 | - | 4735.34 | - | - | - | - | 65.41 | 15159.82 | - | 34.18 |
| Jan 4 2016 | Column 2 | Depth | 70.90 | 12687.10 | 30.41 | 34.34 | 3064.78 | 34.72 | 1093.03 | 200.08 | - | 4523.90 | - | 20.99 | 5.56 | - | 70.90 | 12687.10 | 30.41 | 34.34 |
| Jan 4 2016 | Column 2 | Depth | 70.24 | 26653.80 | - | 3735.21 | 45.35 | 1447.49 | 208.33 | 6.93 | - | - | 19.04 | - | 100.94 | 70.24 | 26653.80 | - | - | - |
| Jan 4 2016 | Column 9 | Depth | 91.16 | 19781.10 | 47.52 | 204.77 | 2650.28 | 29.97 | 968.22 | 189.83 | 9.36 | 3071.60 | 39.75 | - | 9.98 | 205.17 | 91.16 | 19781.10 | 47.52 | 204.77 |
| Jan 4 2016 | Column 9 | Depth | 92.13 | 15873.45 | 78.37 | 205.28 | 3101.98 | 34.59 | 1115.48 | 264.87 | 9.83 | 2786.38 | 47.06 | 148.08 | 11.00 | 231.44 | 92.13 | 15873.45 | 78.37 | 205.28 |
| Jan 4 2016 | Column 10 | Depth | 92.49 | 30073.50 | 61.07 | 210.16 | 3036.34 | 30.18 | 1202.91 | 228.57 | 7.87 | 2662.73 | 32.61 | - | 7.86 | 211.81 | 92.49 | 30073.50 | 61.07 | 210.16 |
| Jan 4 2016 | Column 10 | Depth | 93.80 | 8946.96 | - | 2741.56 | 29.87 | 930.86 | 229.00 | 7.94 | 2610.63 | 27.19 | 197.09 | 10.17 | 214.07 | 93.80 | 8946.96 | - | - | - |
| Feb 4 2016 | Column 3 | Depth | - | 15605.74 | - | 3882.58 | 39.97 | 1012.65 | 165.28 | - | 2440.04 | - | 15.99 | 5.81 | - | - | - | 15605.74 | - | - |
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| Feb 4 2016 | Column 11 | Depth | 96.34 | 21657.76 | - | 363.16 | 2820.72 | 30.61 | 1020.27 | 188.34 | 11.15 | 2848.89 | 59.60 | 230.74 | 9.51 | 263.52 | 96.34 | 21657.76 | - | 363.16 |
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Appendix H: Alpha Diversity

Field Study

Water Samples

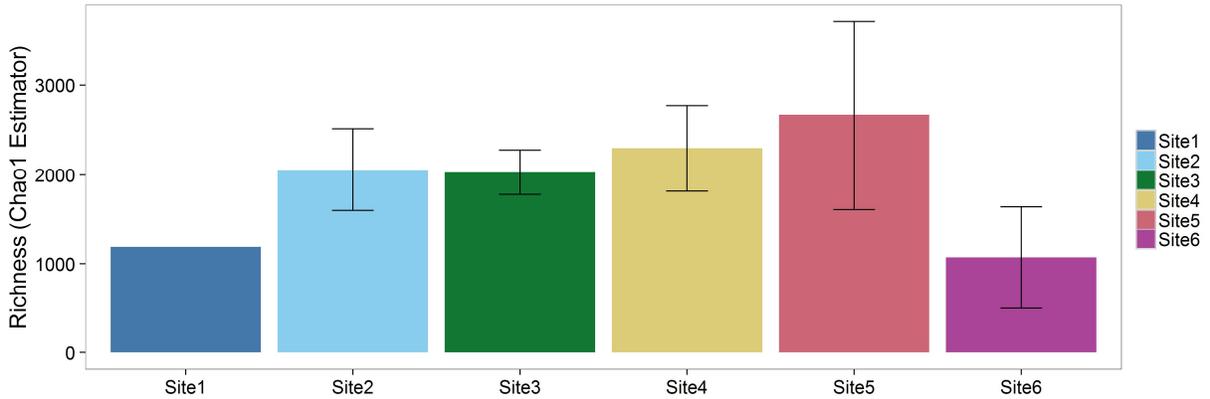


Figure 109. Barplot Between Field Site Water Samples for Richness Based on the Chao1 Estimator

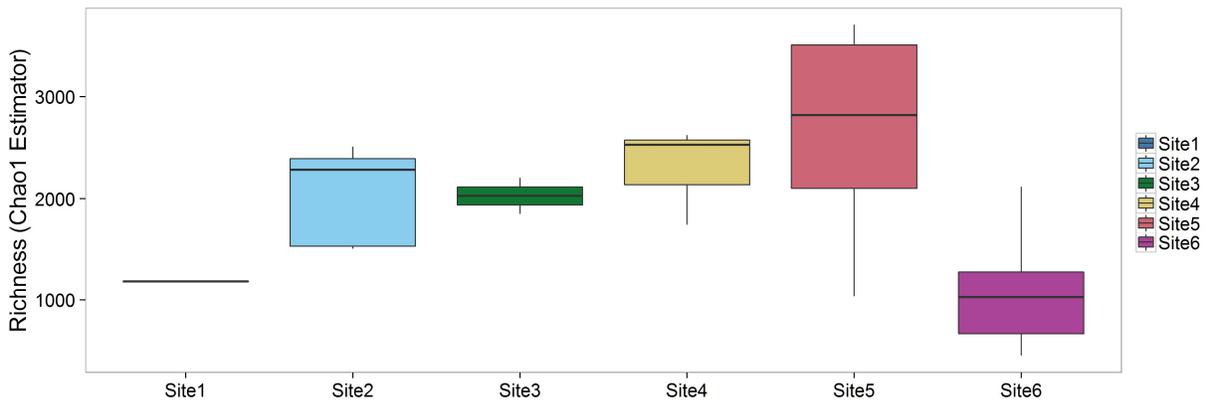


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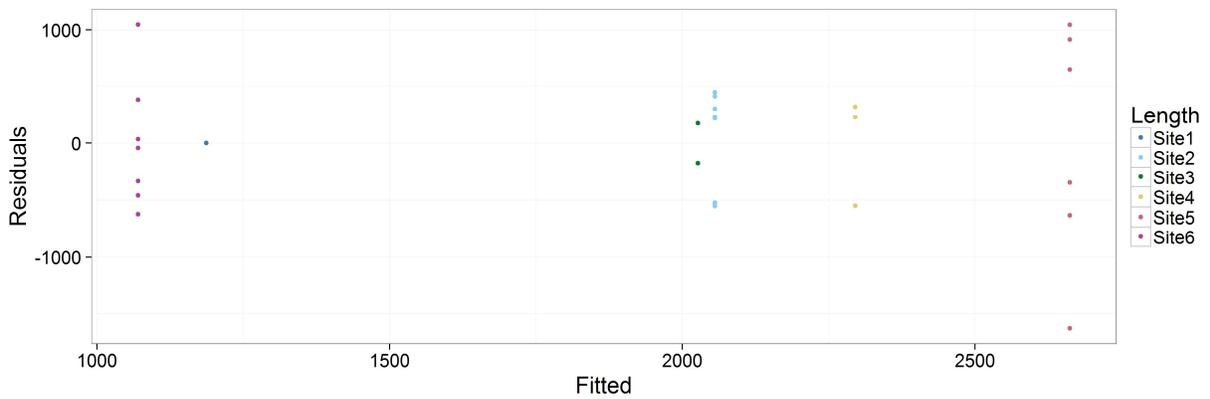


Figure 111. ANOVA Residuals Between Field Site Water Samples for Richness Based on the Chao1 Estimator

Table 67. One Way ANOVA Test Result for Richness Comparison of Water Samples by Field Site Based on Chao1 Estimator

| | Df | Sum Sq | Mean Sq | F value | Pr(>F) |
|-----------|----|-------------|-------------|---------|--------|
| Length | 5 | 9484682.454 | 1896936.491 | 4.225 | 0.008 |
| Residuals | 21 | 9429328.86 | 449015.66 | NA | NA |

Table 68. Tukey HSD Test Result for Diversity Comparison of Water Samples by Field Site Based on Chao1 Estimator

| Comparison | p-value |
|-------------|----------|
| Site2-Site1 | 0.821324 |
| Site3-Site1 | 0.904872 |
| Site4-Site1 | 0.70785 |
| Site5-Site1 | 0.355519 |
| Site6-Site1 | 0.999981 |
| Site3-Site2 | 1 |
| Site4-Site2 | 0.994339 |
| Site5-Site2 | 0.561553 |
| Site6-Site2 | 0.089305 |
| Site4-Site3 | 0.997624 |
| Site5-Site3 | 0.849941 |
| Site6-Site3 | 0.498426 |
| Site5-Site4 | 0.969094 |
| Site6-Site4 | 0.128793 |
| Site6-Site5 | 0.004016 |

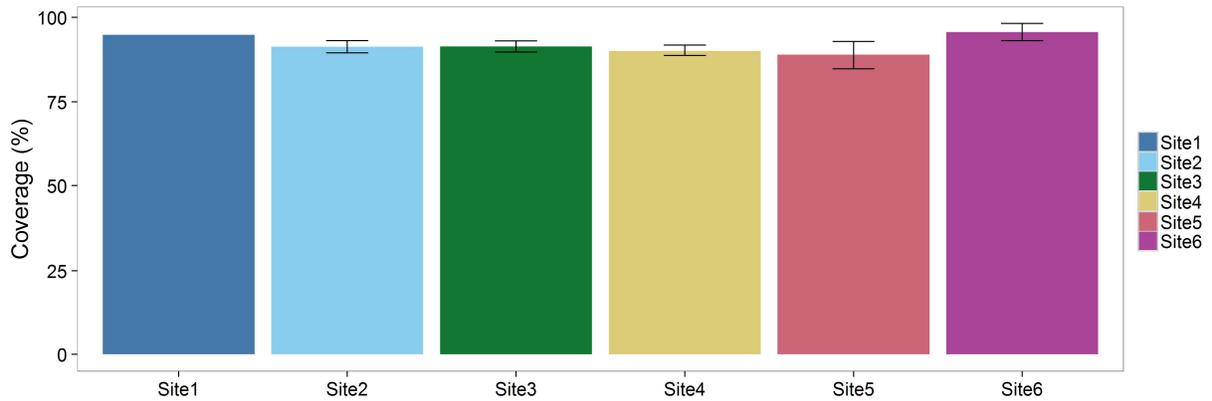


Figure 112. Barplot Between Field Site Water Samples for Coverage Based on Good's Coverage

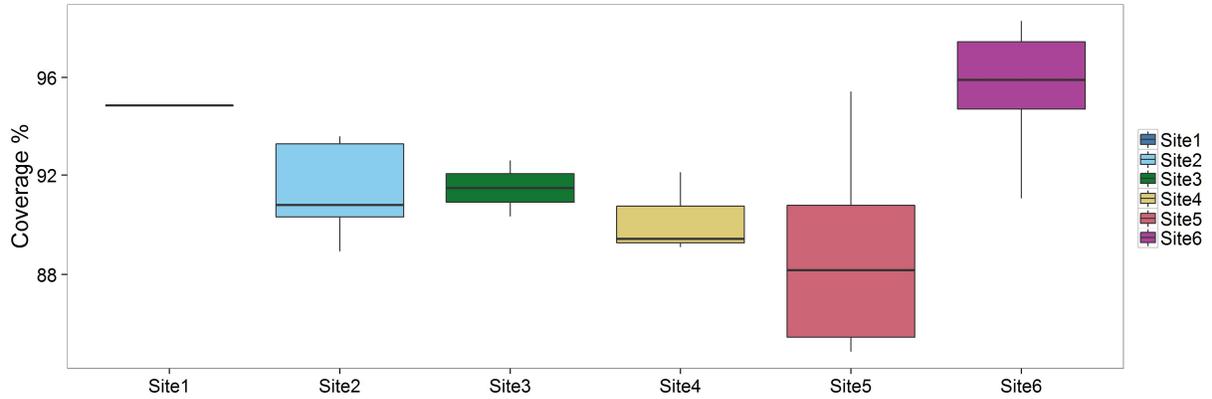


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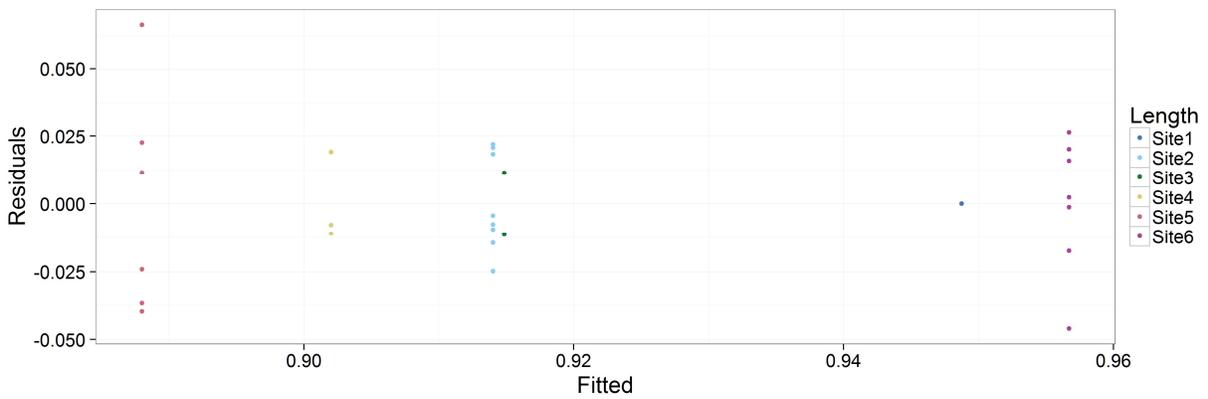


Figure 114. ANOVA Residuals Between Field Site Water Samples for Coverage Based on Good’s Coverage

Table 69. One Way ANOVA Test Result for Coverage Comparison of Water Samples by Field Site Based on Good’s Coverage

| | Df | Sum Sq | Mean Sq | F value | Pr(>F) |
|-----------|----|--------|---------|---------|--------|
| Length | 5 | 0.018 | 0.004 | 4.820 | 0.004 |
| Residuals | 21 | 0.015 | 0.001 | NA | NA |

Table 70. Tukey HSD Test Result for Coverage Comparison of Water Samples by Field Site Based on Good's Coverage

| Comparison | p-value |
|-------------|-------------|
| Site2-Site1 | 0.827992639 |
| Site3-Site1 | 0.905485326 |
| Site4-Site1 | 0.671668950 |
| Site5-Site1 | 0.336667924 |
| Site6-Site1 | 0.999753717 |
| Site3-Site2 | 0.999999986 |
| Site4-Site2 | 0.985021091 |
| Site5-Site2 | 0.499809440 |
| Site6-Site2 | 0.059521831 |
| Site4-Site3 | 0.994793003 |
| Site5-Site3 | 0.825560531 |
| Site6-Site3 | 0.414424802 |
| Site5-Site4 | 0.975734200 |
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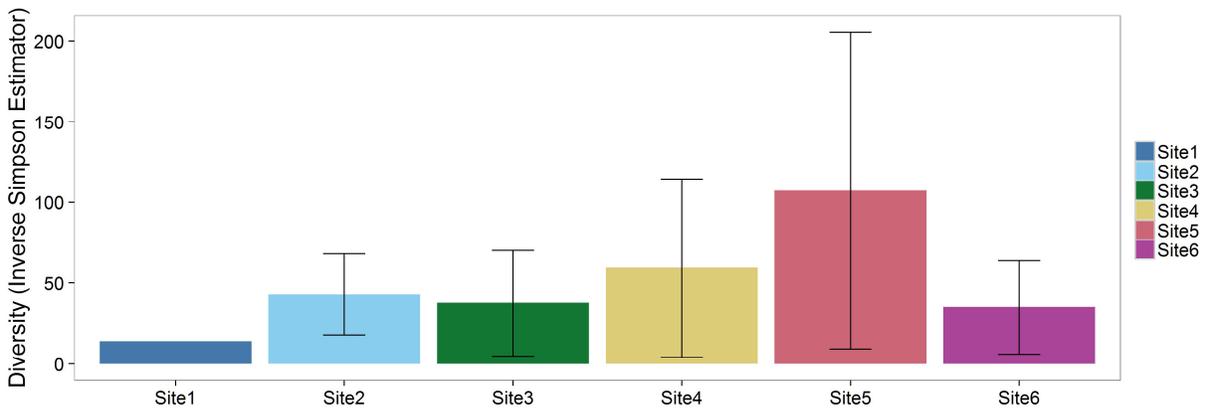


Figure 115. Barplot Between Field Site Water Samples for Diversity Based on the Inverse Simpson Estimator

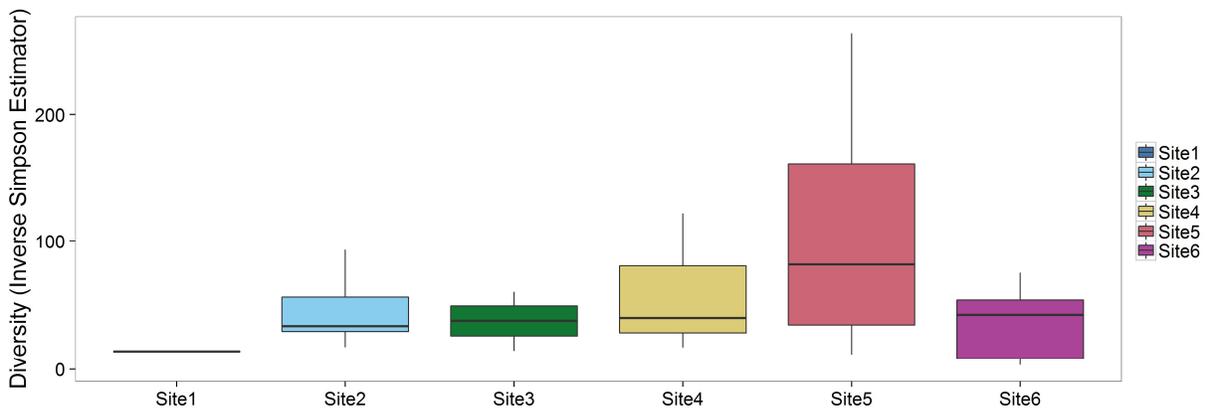


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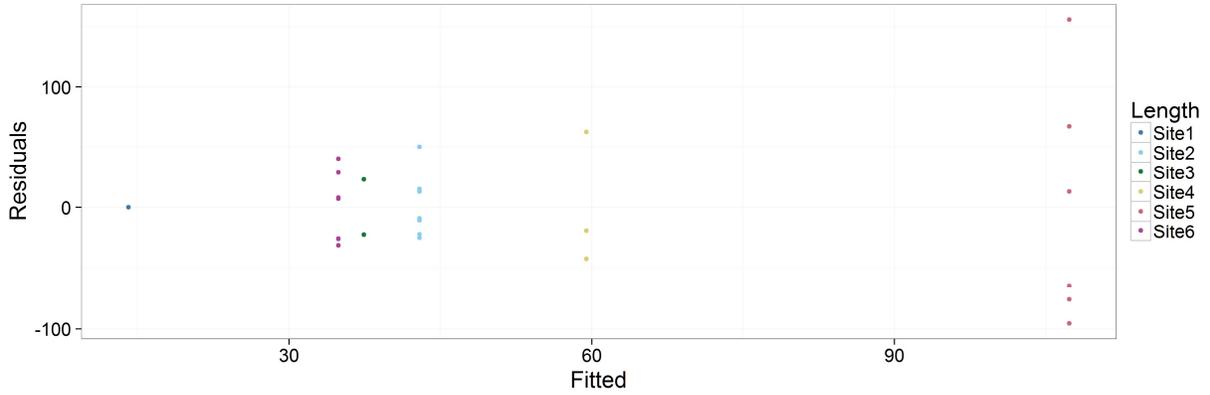


Figure 117. ANOVA Residuals Between Field Site Water Samples for Diversity Based on the Inverse Simpson Estimator

Table 71. One Way ANOVA Test Result for Diversity Comparison of Water Samples by Field Site Based on the Inverse Simpson Estimator

| | Df | Sum Sq | Mean Sq | F value | Pr(>F) |
|-----------|----|----------|----------|---------|--------|
| Length | 5 | 22762.53 | 4552.507 | 1.484 | 0.237 |
| Residuals | 21 | 64442.52 | 3068.692 | NA | NA |

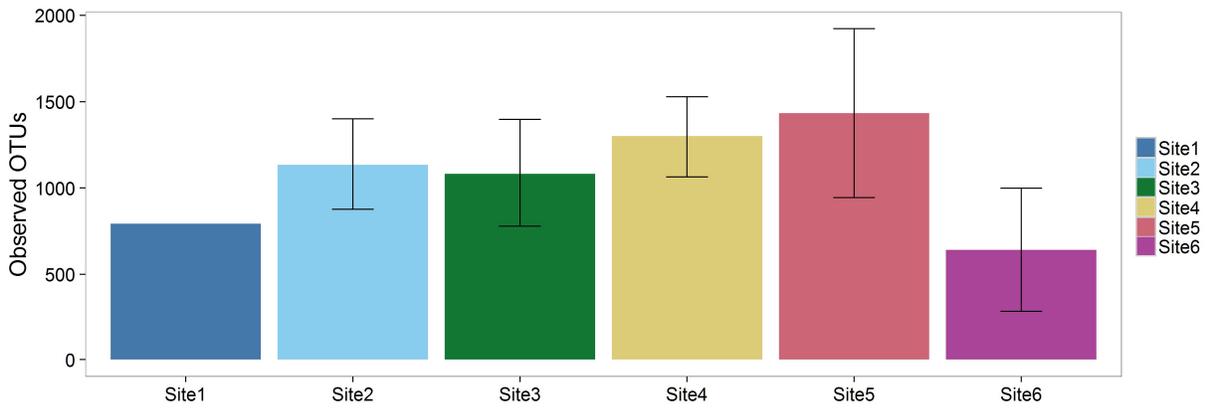


Figure 118. Barplot Between Field Site Water Samples for Observed OTUs Based on the SOBS Calculation

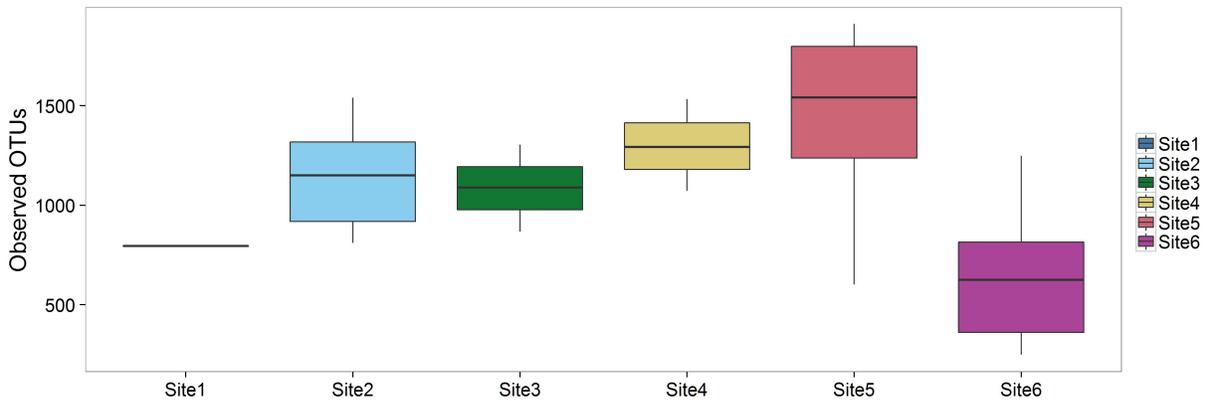


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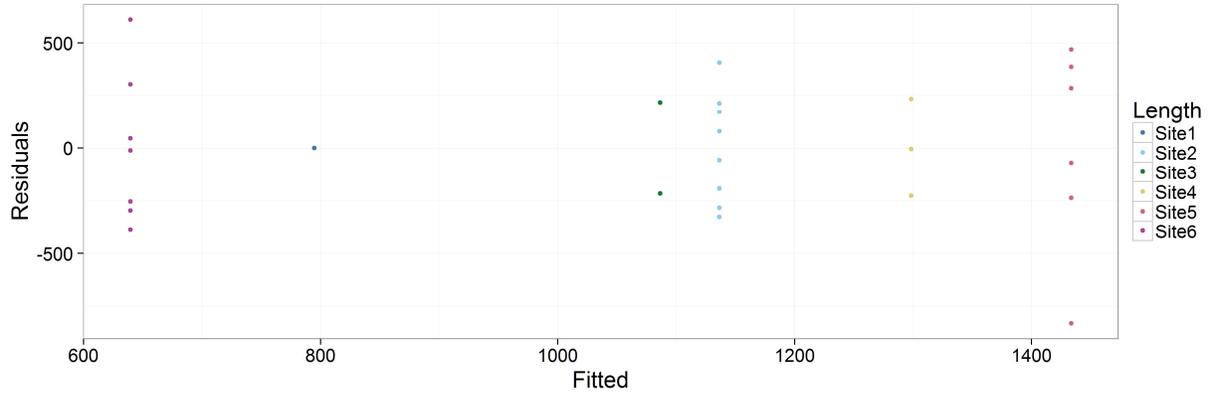


Figure 120. ANOVA Residuals Between Field Site Water Samples for Observed OTUs Based on the SOBS Calculation

Table 72. One Way ANOVA Test Result for Observed OTUs Comparison of Water Samples by Field Site Based on SOBS Calculation

| | Df | Sum Sq | Mean Sq | F value | Pr(>F) |
|-----------|----|---------|----------|---------|--------|
| Length | 5 | 2356581 | 471316.3 | 3.752 | 0.014 |
| Residuals | 21 | 2638105 | 125624.1 | NA | NA |

Table 73. Tukey HSD Test Result for Observed OTUs Comparison of Water Samples by Field Site Based on SOBS Calculation

| Comparison | p-value |
|-------------|----------|
| Site2-Site1 | 0.93985 |
| Site3-Site1 | 0.983178 |
| Site4-Site1 | 0.817223 |
| Site5-Site1 | 0.56575 |
| Site6-Site1 | 0.998299 |
| Site3-Site2 | 0.999971 |
| Site4-Site2 | 0.9829 |
| Site5-Site2 | 0.637026 |
| Site6-Site2 | 0.115232 |
| Site4-Site3 | 0.985022 |
| Site5-Site3 | 0.832528 |
| Site6-Site3 | 0.624077 |
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| Site6-Site5 | 0.007 |

Surface Sediment Samples

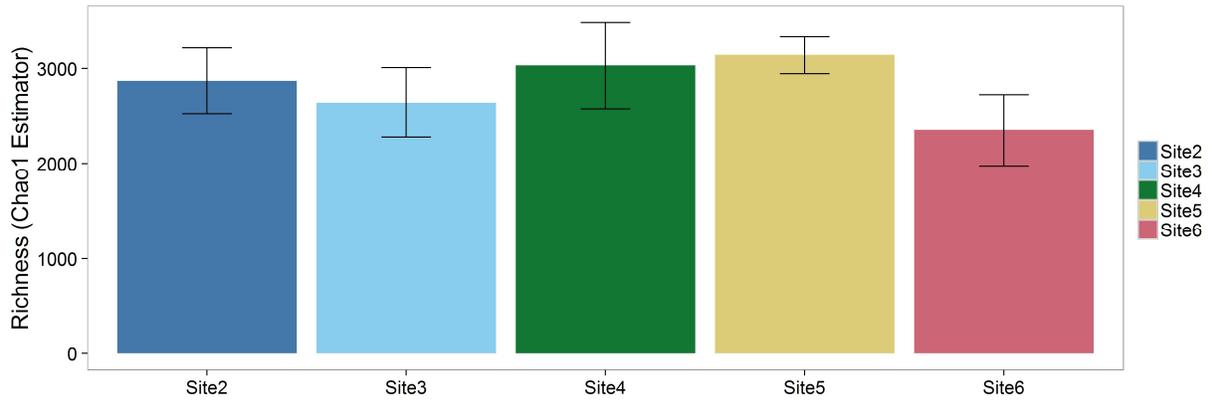


Figure 121. Barplot Between Field Site Surface Sediment Samples for Richness Based on the Chao1 Estimator

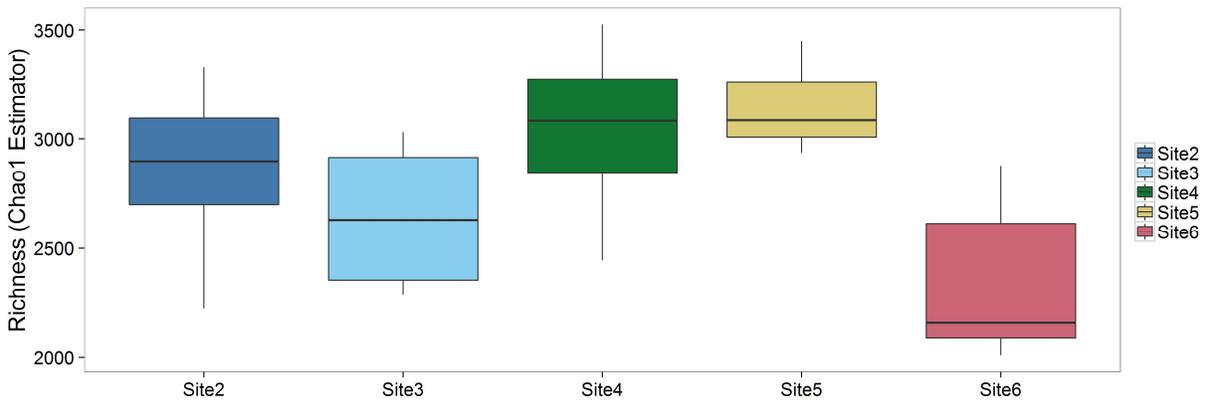


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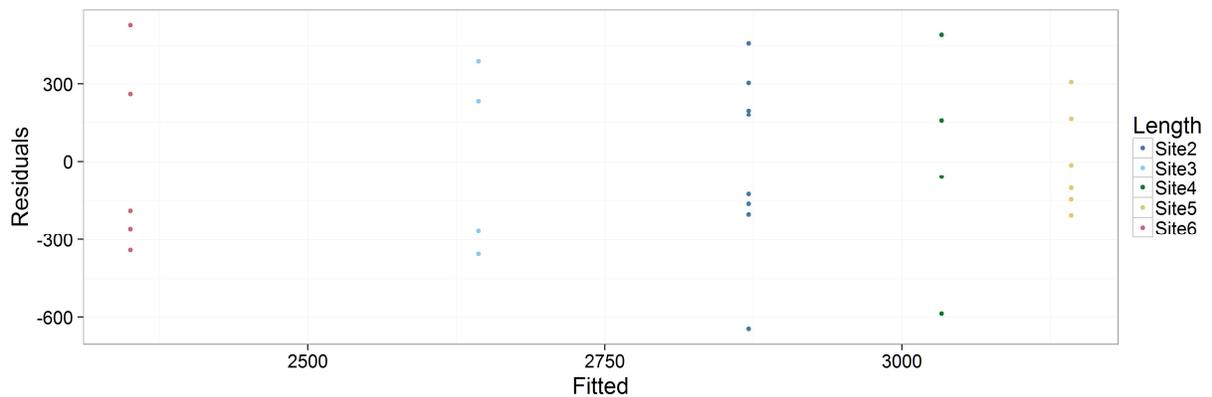


Figure 123. ANOVA Residuals Between Field Site Surface Sediment Samples for Richness Based on the Chao1 Estimator

Table 74. One Way ANOVA Test Result for Diversity Comparison of Surface Sediment Samples by Field Site Based on Chao1 Estimator

| | Df | Sum Sq | Mean Sq | F value | Pr(>F) |
|-----------|----|---------|----------|---------|--------|
| Length | 4 | 2052628 | 513157 | 4.261 | 0.011 |
| Residuals | 22 | 2649487 | 120431.2 | NA | NA |

Table 75. Tukey HSD Test Result for Diversity Comparison of Surface Sediment Samples by Field Site Based on Chao1 Estimator

| Comparison | p-value |
|-------------|----------|
| Site3-Site2 | 0.819704 |
| Site4-Site2 | 0.938196 |
| Site5-Site2 | 0.604435 |
| Site6-Site2 | 0.098849 |
| Site4-Site3 | 0.519824 |
| Site5-Site3 | 0.20691 |
| Site6-Site3 | 0.717862 |
| Site5-Site4 | 0.987759 |
| Site6-Site4 | 0.053663 |
| Site6-Site5 | 0.008423 |

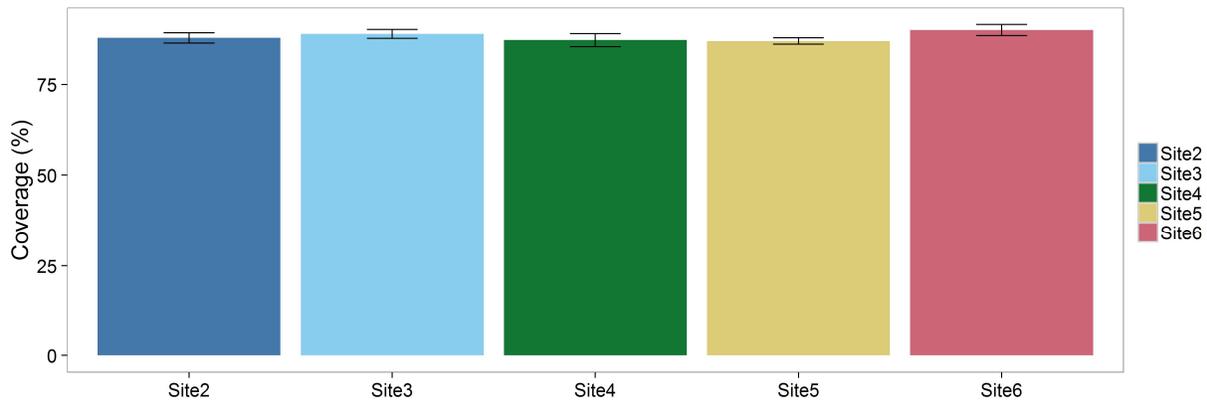


Figure 124. Barplot Between Field Site Surface Sediment Samples for Coverage Based on Good's Coverage

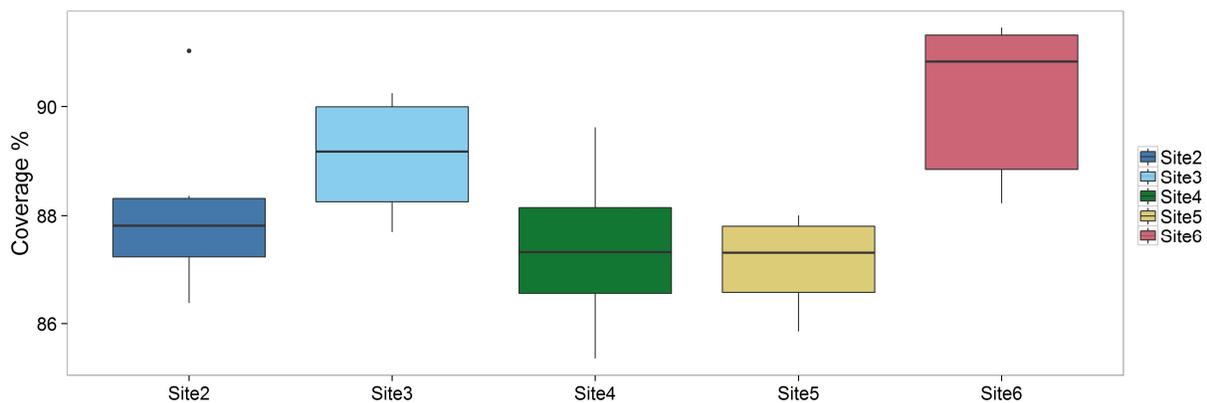


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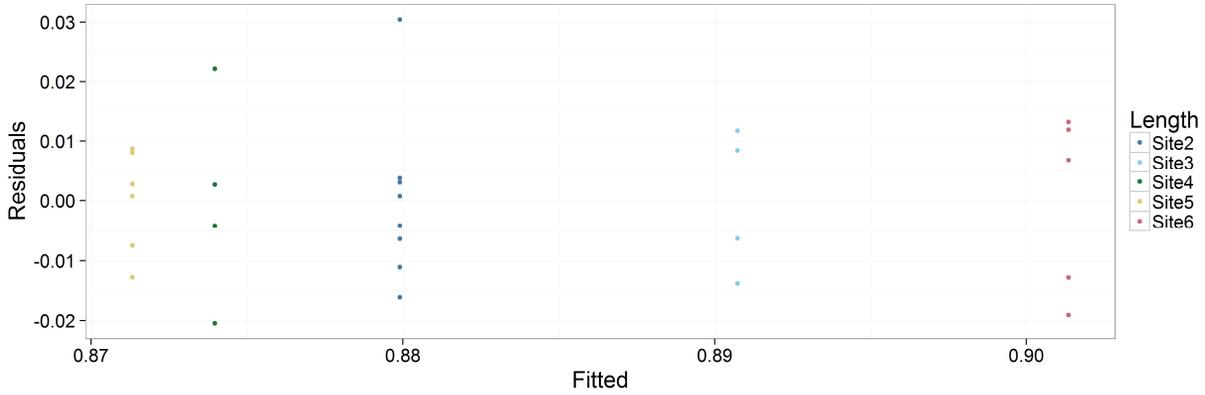


Figure 126. ANOVA Residuals Between Field Site Surface Sediment Samples for Coverage Based on Good's Coverage

Table 76. One Way ANOVA Test Result for Coverage Comparison of Surface Sediment Samples by Field Site Based on Good's Coverage

| | Df | Sum Sq | Mean Sq | F value | Pr(>F) |
|-----------|----|--------|---------|---------|--------|
| Length | 4 | 0.003 | 0.001 | 4.302 | 0.010 |
| Residuals | 22 | 0.004 | 0.000 | NA | NA |

Table 77. Tukey HSD Test Result for Coverage Comparison of Surface Sediment Samples by Field Site Based on Good's Coverage

| Comparison | p-value |
|-------------|----------|
| Site3-Site2 | 0.688732 |
| Site4-Site2 | 0.950255 |
| Site5-Site2 | 0.764651 |
| Site6-Site2 | 0.072843 |
| Site4-Site3 | 0.423353 |
| Site5-Site3 | 0.207471 |
| Site6-Site3 | 0.766981 |
| Site5-Site4 | 0.998012 |
| Site6-Site4 | 0.044596 |
| Site6-Site5 | 0.01057 |

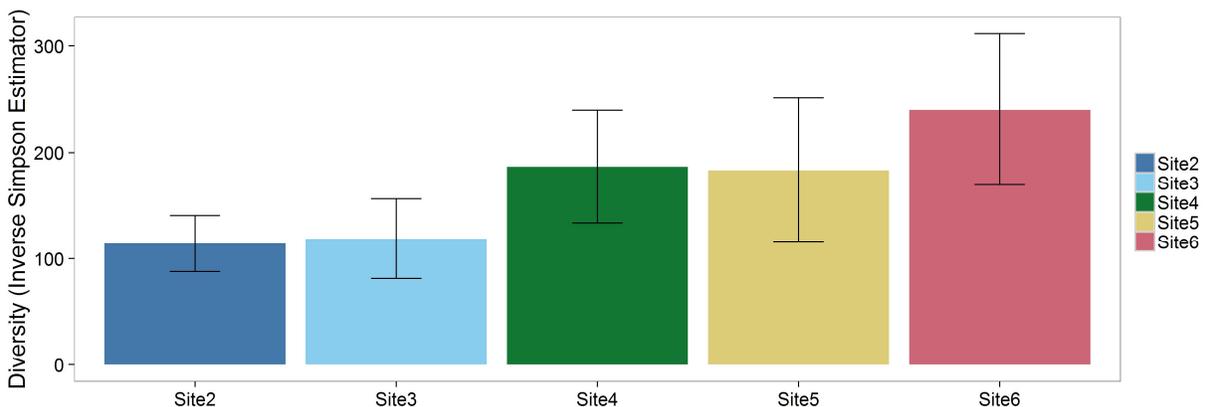


Figure 127. Barplot Between Field Site Surface Sediment Samples for Diversity Based on the Inverse Simpson Estimator

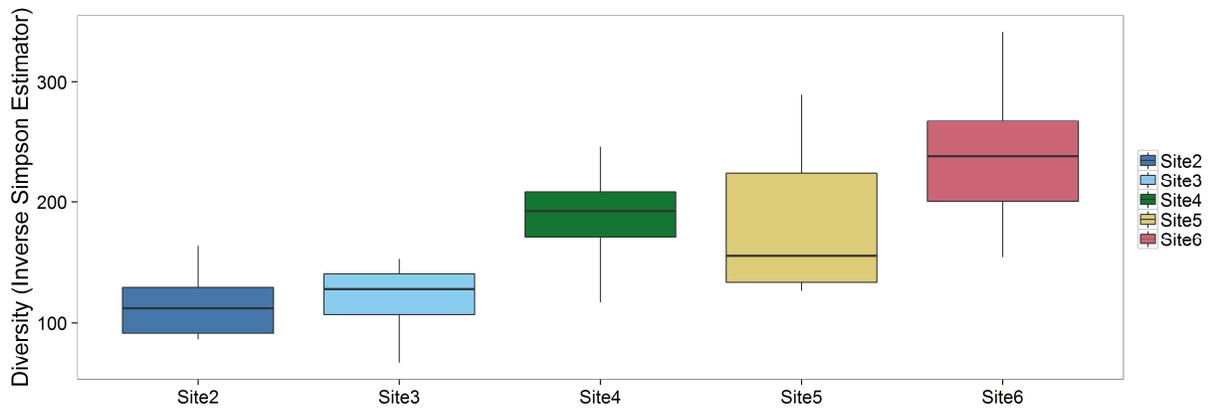


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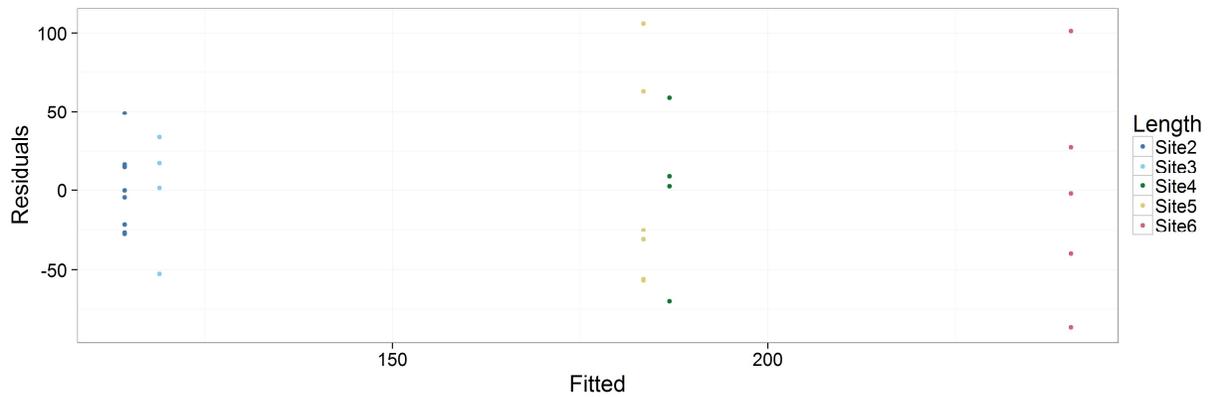


Figure 129. ANOVA Residuals Between Field Site Surface Sediment Samples for Diversity Based on the Inverse Simpson Estimator

Table 78. One Way ANOVA Test Result for Diversity Comparison of Surface Sediment Samples by Field Site Based on the Inverse Simpson Estimator

| | Df | Sum Sq | Mean Sq | F value | Pr(>F) |
|-----------|----|----------|----------|---------|--------|
| Length | 4 | 61359.32 | 15339.83 | 5.558 | 0.003 |
| Residuals | 22 | 60716.58 | 2759.844 | NA | NA |

Table 79. Tukey HSD Test Result for Diversity Comparison of Surface Sediment Samples by Field Site Based on the Inverse Simpson Estimator

| Comparison | p-value |
|-------------|----------|
| Site3-Site2 | 0.999893 |
| Site4-Site2 | 0.197192 |
| Site5-Site2 | 0.142988 |
| Site6-Site2 | 0.003011 |
| Site4-Site3 | 0.383686 |
| Site5-Site3 | 0.346143 |
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| Site6-Site4 | 0.562339 |
| Site6-Site5 | 0.404104 |

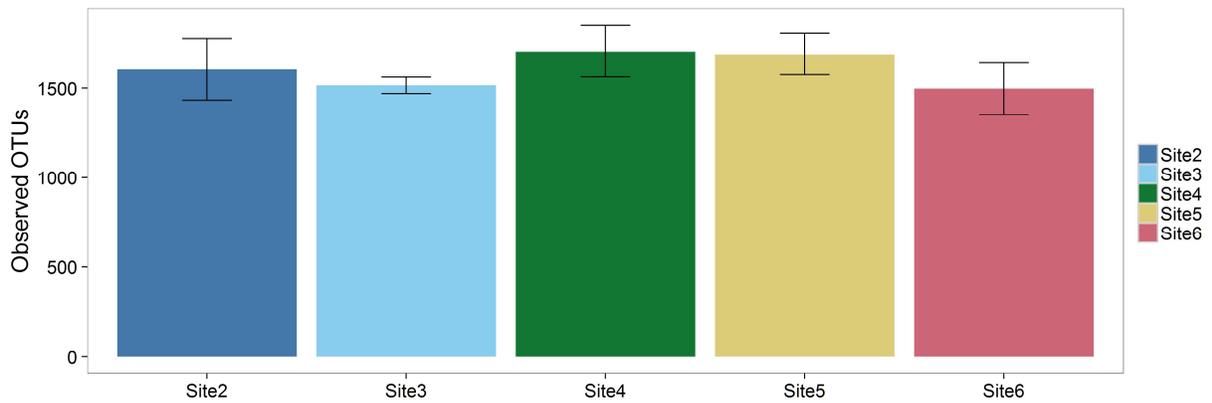


Figure 130. Barplot Between Field Site Surface Sediment Samples for Observed OTUs Based on the SOBS Calculation

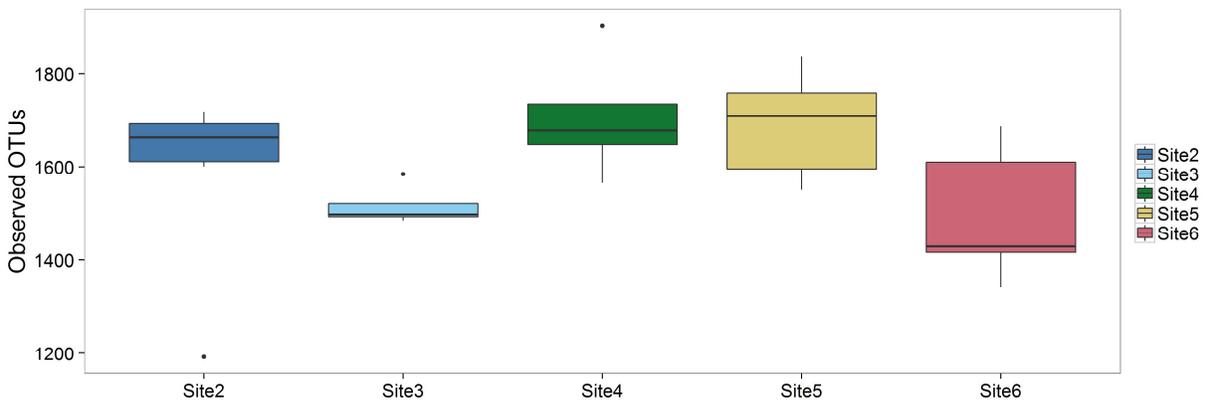


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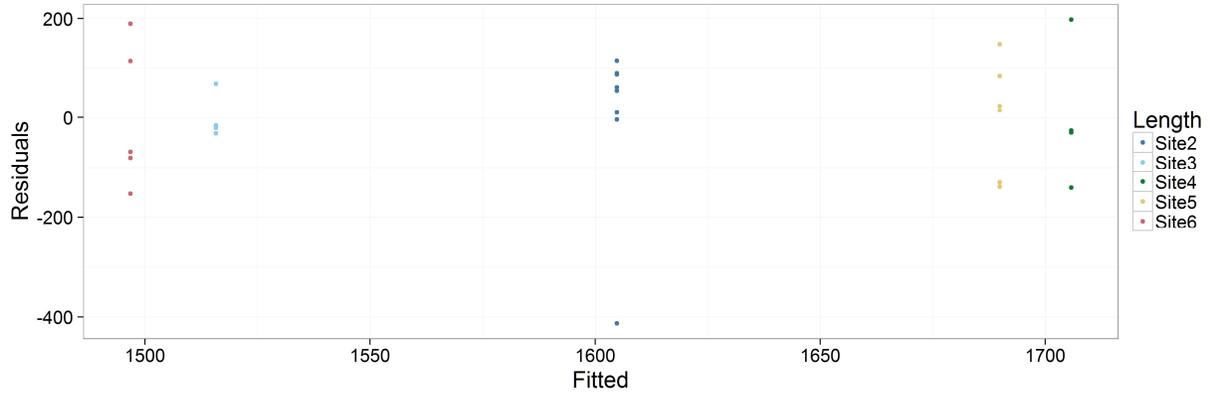


Figure 132. ANOVA Residuals Between Field Site Surface Sediment Samples for Observed OTUs Based on the SOBS Calculation

Table 80. One Way ANOVA Test Result for Observed OTUs Comparison of Surface Sediment Samples by Field Site Based on SOBS Calculation

| | Df | Sum Sq | Mean Sq | F value | Pr(>F) |
|-----------|----|------------|-----------|---------|--------|
| Length | 4 | 174258.734 | 43564.683 | 2.264 | 0.0948 |
| Residuals | 22 | 423382.085 | 19244.640 | NA | NA |

10-cm Depth Sediment Samples

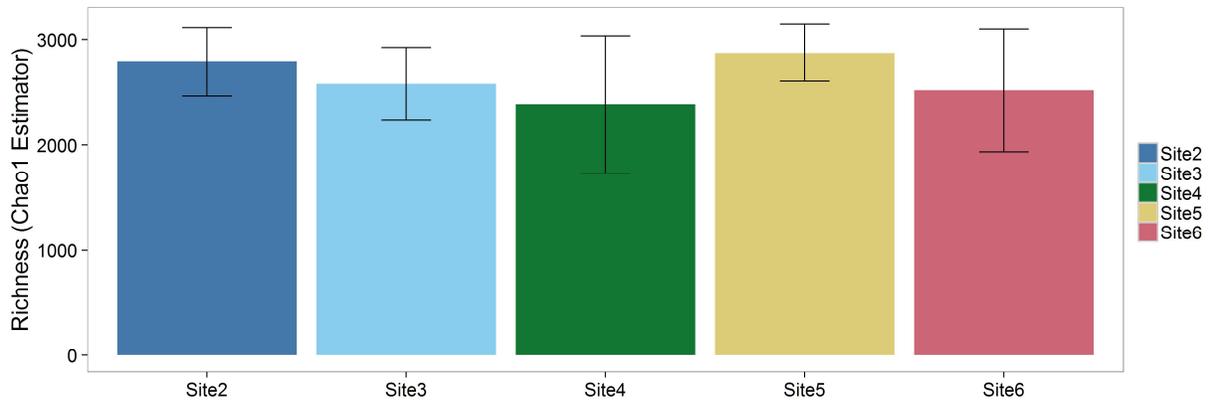


Figure 133. Barplot Between Field Site 10-cm Depth Sediment Samples for Richness Based on the Chao1 Estimator

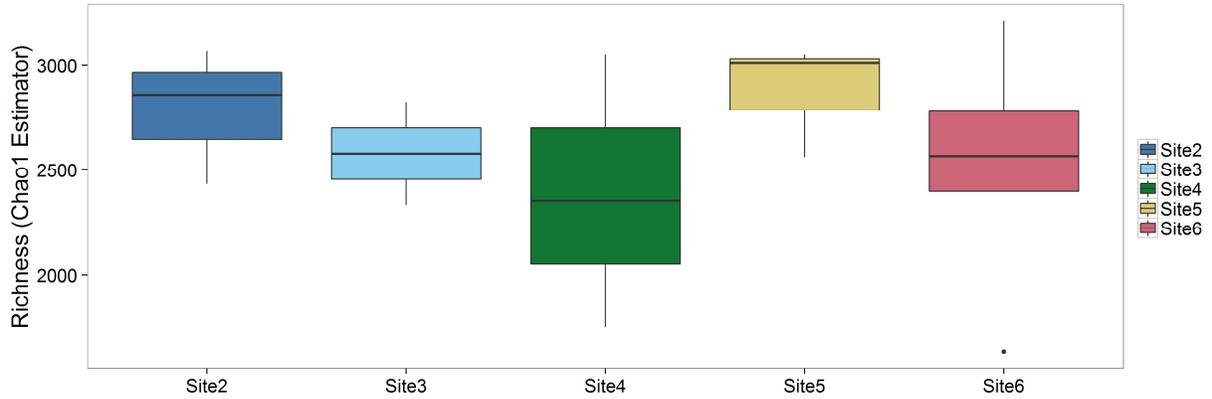


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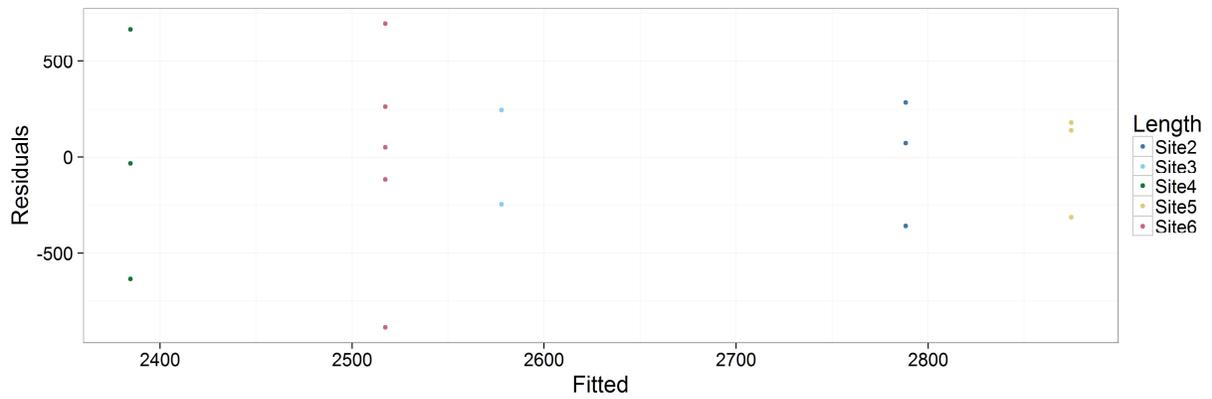


Figure 135. ANOVA Residuals Between Field Site 10-cm Depth Sediment Samples for Richness Based on the Chao1 Estimator

Table 81. One Way ANOVA Test Result for Richness Comparison of 10-cm Depth Sediment Samples by Field Site Based on Chao1 Estimator

| | Df | Sum Sq | Mean Sq | F value | Pr(>F) |
|-----------|----|-------------|------------|---------|--------|
| Length | 4 | 501734.553 | 125433.638 | 0.514 | 0.727 |
| Residuals | 11 | 2685664.111 | 244151.283 | NA | NA |

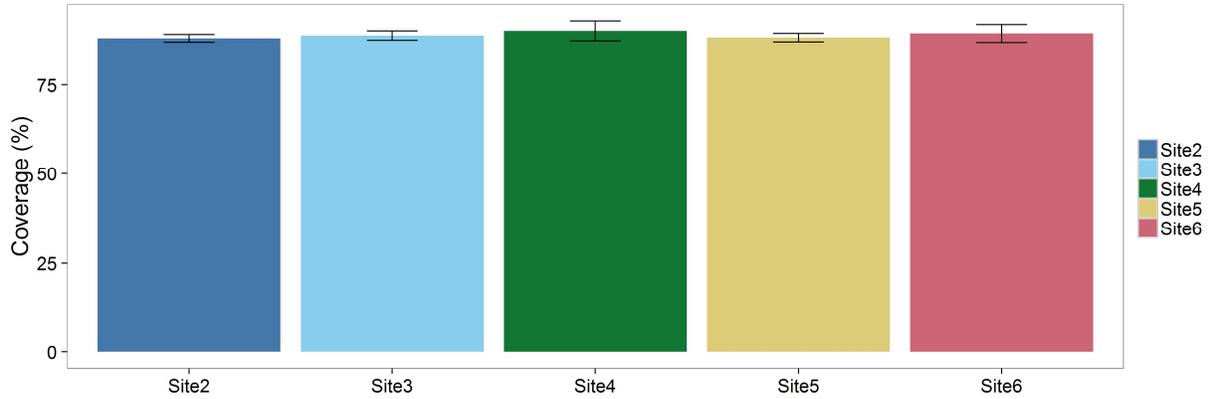


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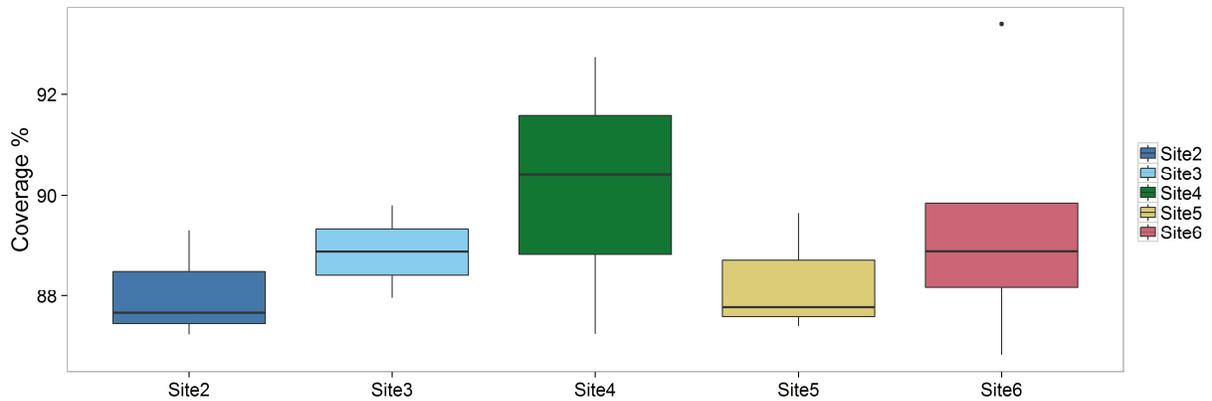


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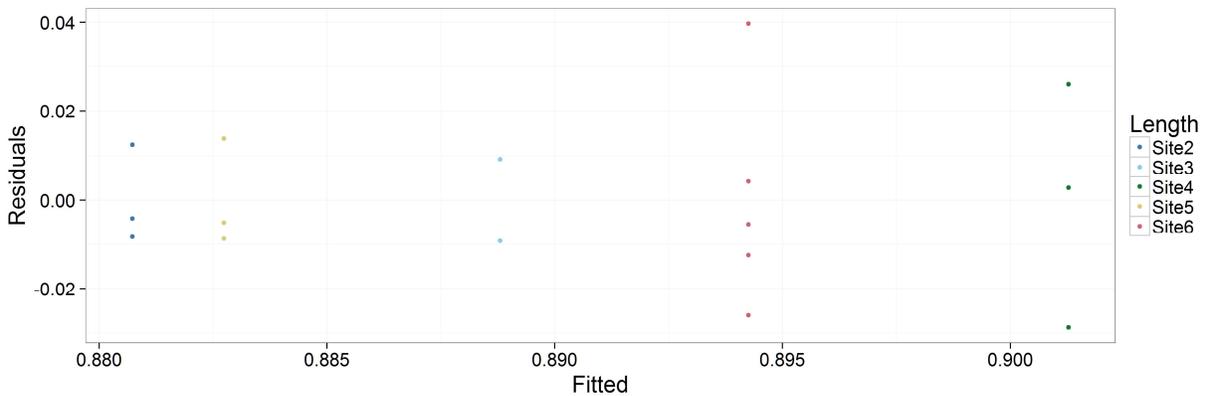


Figure 138. ANOVA Residuals Between Field Site 10-cm Depth Sediment Samples for Coverage Based on Good's Coverage

Table 82. One Way ANOVA Test Result for Diversity Comparison of 10-cm Depth Sediment Samples by Field Site Based on Good's Coverage

| | Df | Sum Sq | Mean Sq | F value | Pr(>F) |
|-----------|----|--------|---------|---------|--------|
| Length | 4 | 0.001 | 0.000 | 0.524 | 0.720 |
| Residuals | 11 | 0.005 | 0.000 | NA | NA |

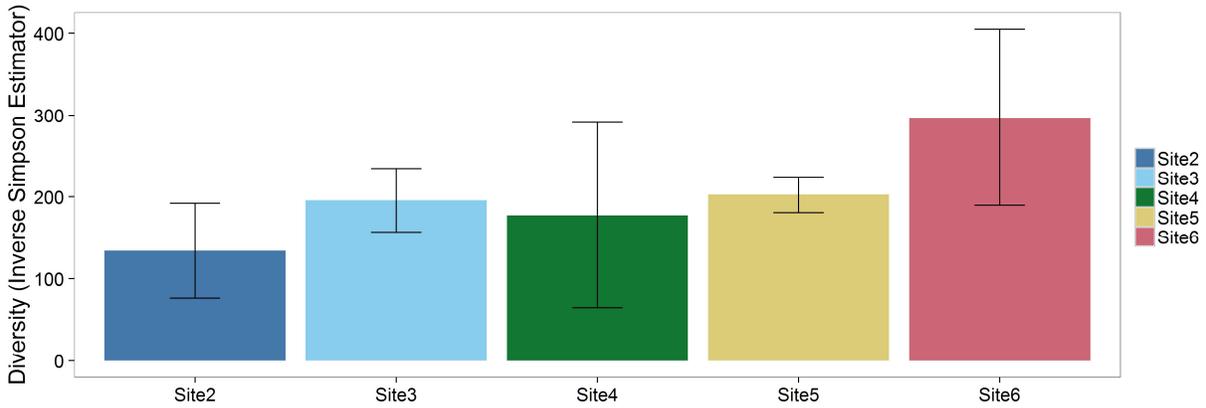


Figure 139. Barplot Between Field Site 10-cm Depth Sediment Samples for Diversity Based on the Inverse Simpson Estimator

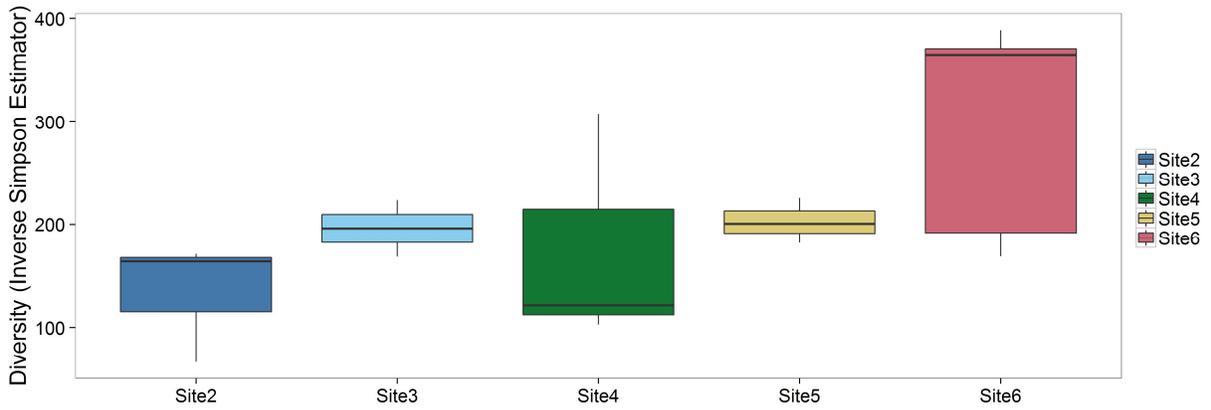


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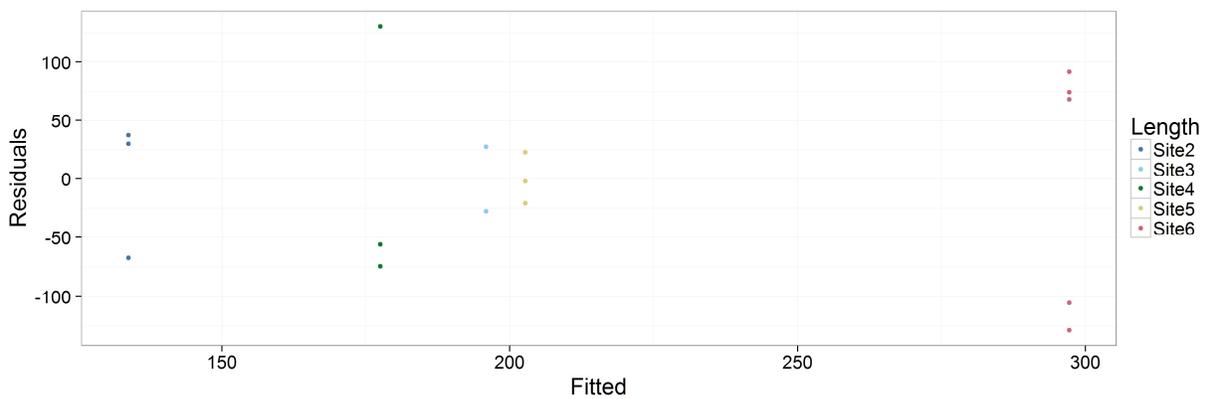


Figure 141. ANOVA Residuals Between Field Site 10-cm Depth Sediment Samples for Diversity Based on the Inverse Simpson Estimator

Table 83. One Way ANOVA Test Result for Diversity Comparison of 10-cm Depth Sediment Samples by Field Site Based on the Inverse Simpson Estimator

| | Df | Sum Sq | Mean Sq | F value | Pr(>F) |
|-----------|----|-----------|-----------|---------|--------|
| Length | 4 | 58934.719 | 14733.680 | 1.995 | 0.165 |
| Residuals | 11 | 81253.934 | 7386.721 | NA | NA |

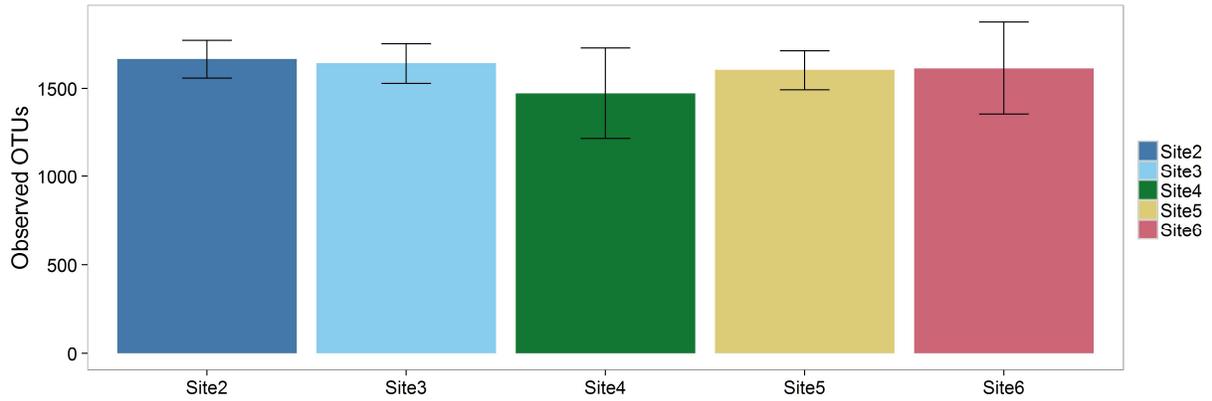


Figure 142. Barplot Between Field Site 10-cm Depth Sediment Samples for Observed OTUs Based on the SOBS Calculation

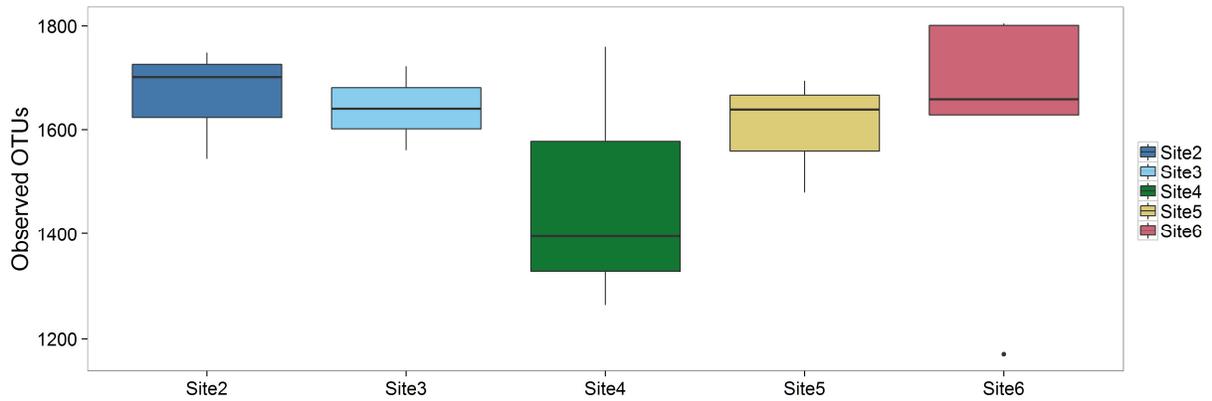


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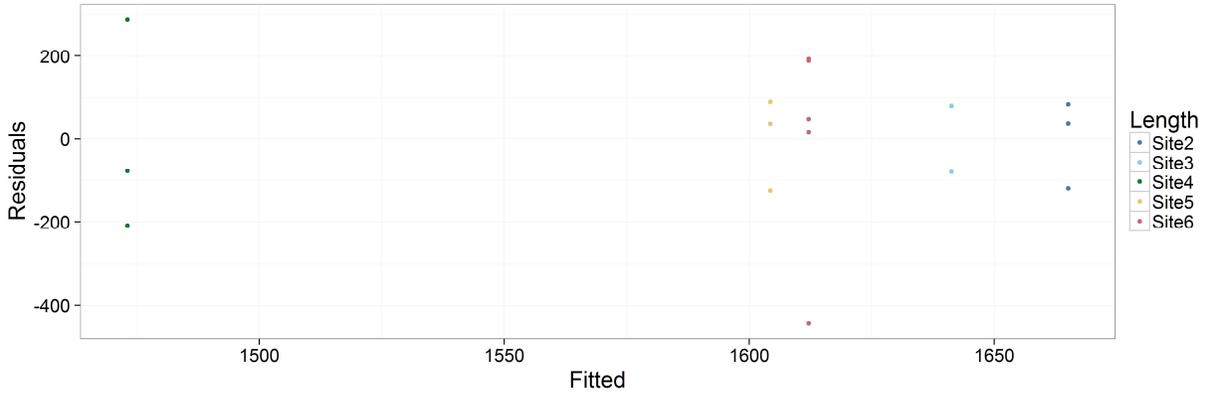


Figure 144. ANOVA Residuals Between Field Site 10-cm Depth Sediment Samples for Observed OTUs Based on the SOBS Calculation

Table 84. One Way ANOVA Test Result for Diversity Comparison of 10-cm Depth Sediment Samples by Field Site Based on SOBS Calculation

| | Df | Sum Sq | Mean Sq | F value | Pr(>F) |
|-----------|----|------------|-----------|---------|--------|
| Length | 4 | 65168.126 | 16292.032 | 0.385 | 0.815 |
| Residuals | 11 | 464907.031 | 42264.276 | NA | NA |

Laboratory Study

Water Samples

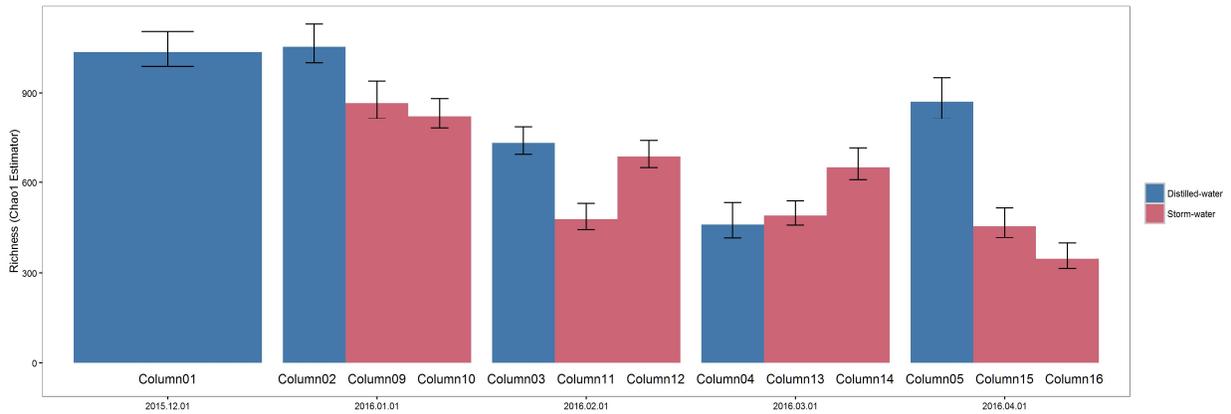


Figure 145. Barplot Between Column Samples for Richness Based on the Chao1 Estimator

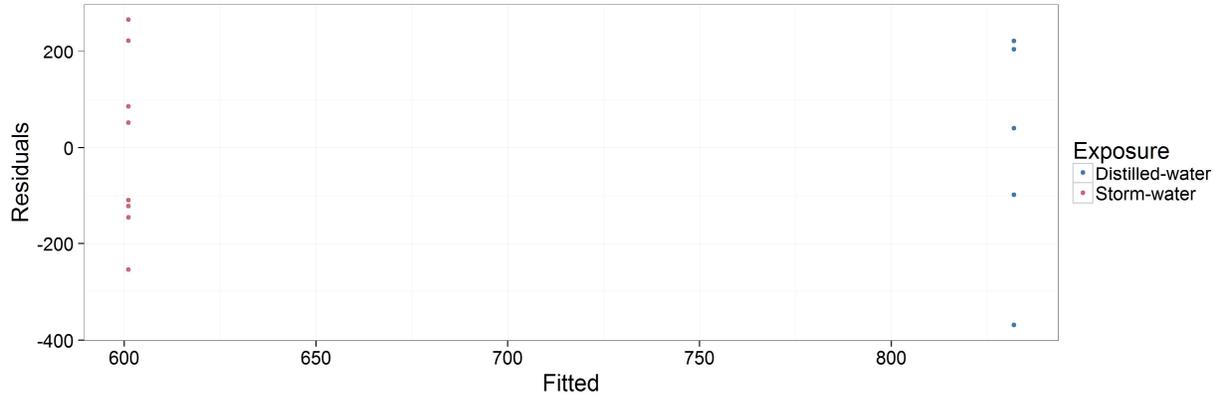


Figure 146. ANOVA Residuals Between Column Water Samples for Richness Based on the Chao1 Estimator

Table 85. One Way ANOVA Test Result for Richness Comparison of Water Samples by Column Based on the Chao1 Estimator

| | Df | Sum Sq | Mean Sq | F value | Pr(>F) |
|-----------|----|------------|------------|---------|--------|
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| Residuals | 11 | 482161.543 | 43832.868 | NA | NA |

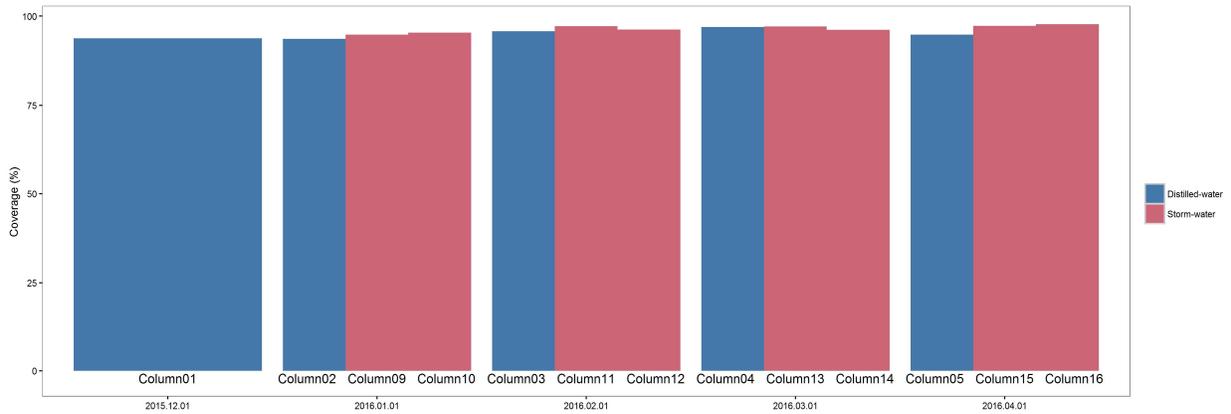


Figure 147. Barplot Between Column Water Samples for Coverage Based on the Good's Coverage

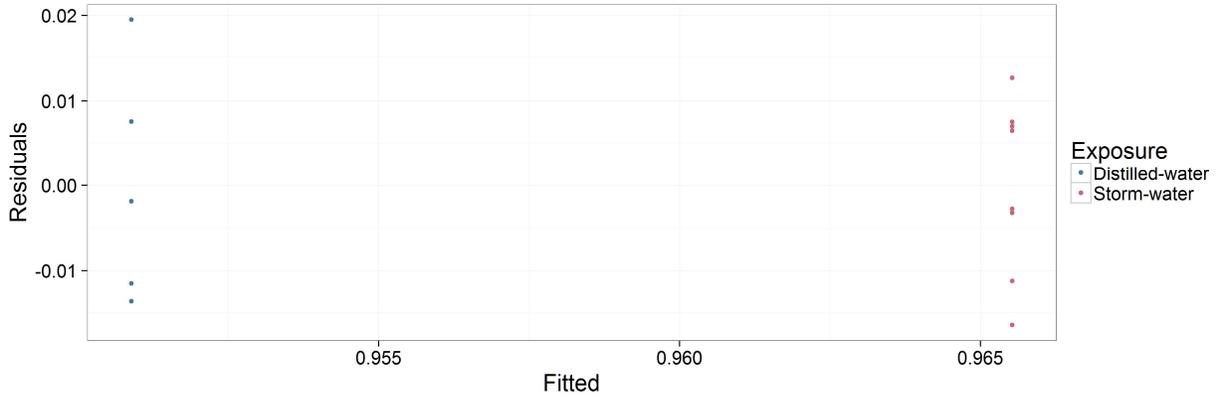


Figure 148. ANOVA Residuals Between Column Water Samples for Observed OTUs Based on the Good's Coverage

Table 86. One Way ANOVA Test Result for Coverage Comparison of Water Samples by Column Based on the Good's Coverage

| | Df | Sum Sq | Mean Sq | F value | Pr(>F) |
|-----------|----|--------|---------|---------|--------|
| Exposure | 1 | 0.001 | 0.001 | 4.912 | 0.0486 |
| Residuals | 11 | 0.001 | 0.000 | NA | NA |

Table 87. Tukey HSD Test Result for Coverage Comparison of Water Samples by Column Based on the Good's Coverage

| Comparison | p-value |
|-----------------|---------|
| Distilled-Storm | 0.0486 |

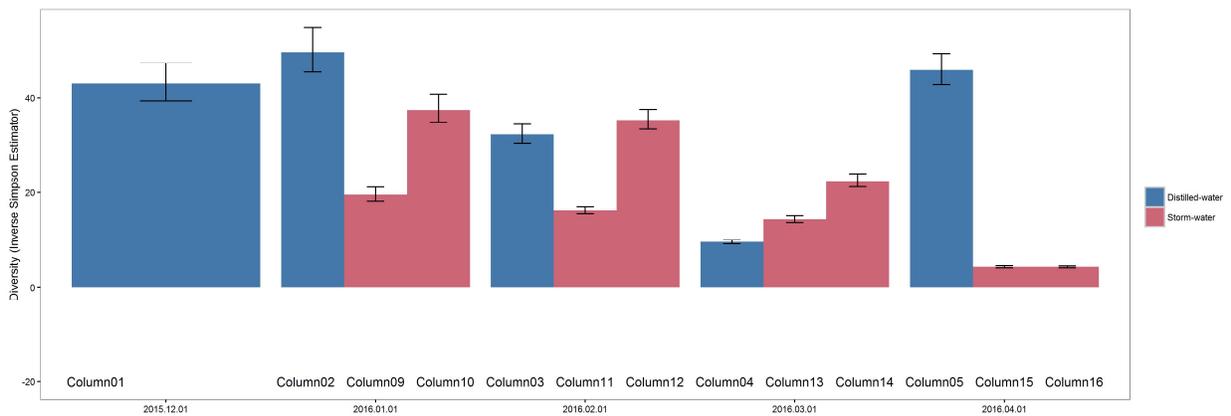


Figure 149. Barplot Between Column Water Samples for Diversity Based on the Inverse Simpson Estimator

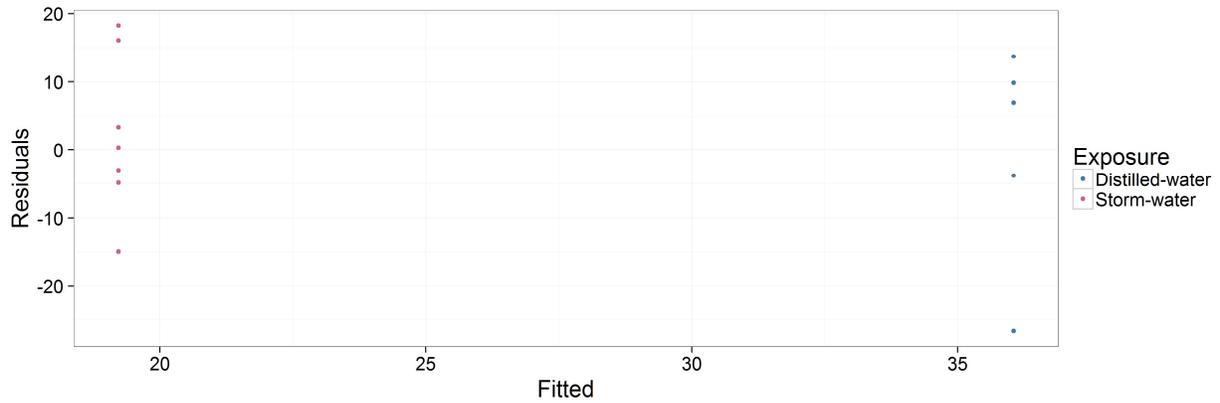


Figure 150. ANOVA Residuals Between Column Water Samples for Observed OTUs Based on the Inverse Simpson Estimator

Table 88. One Way ANOVA Test Result for Diversity Comparison of Water Samples by Column Based on the Inverse Simpson Estimator

| | Df | Sum Sq | Mean Sq | F value | Pr(>F) |
|-----------|----|----------|---------|---------|--------|
| Exposure | 1 | 871.026 | 871.027 | 4.478 | 0.0580 |
| Residuals | 11 | 2139.510 | 194.501 | NA | NA |

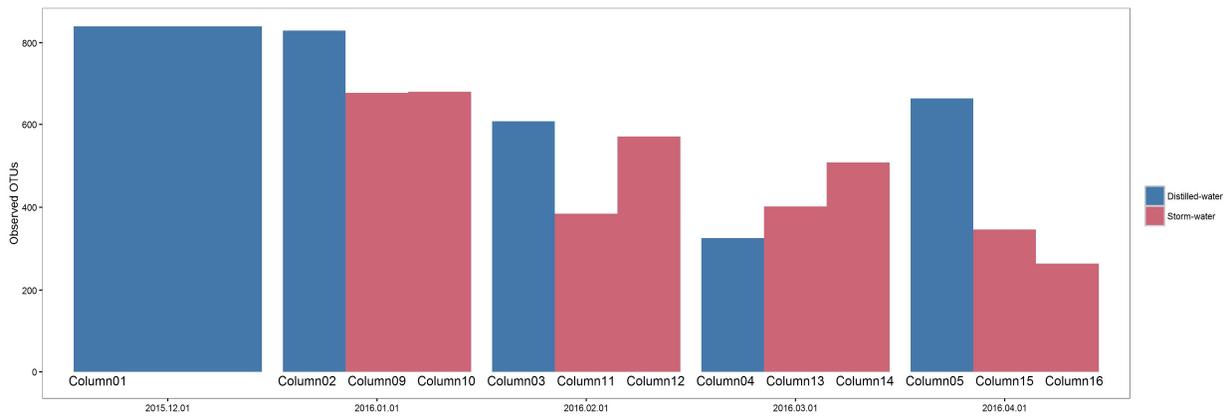


Figure 151. Barplot Between Column Water Samples for Observed OTUs Based on the SOBS Calculation

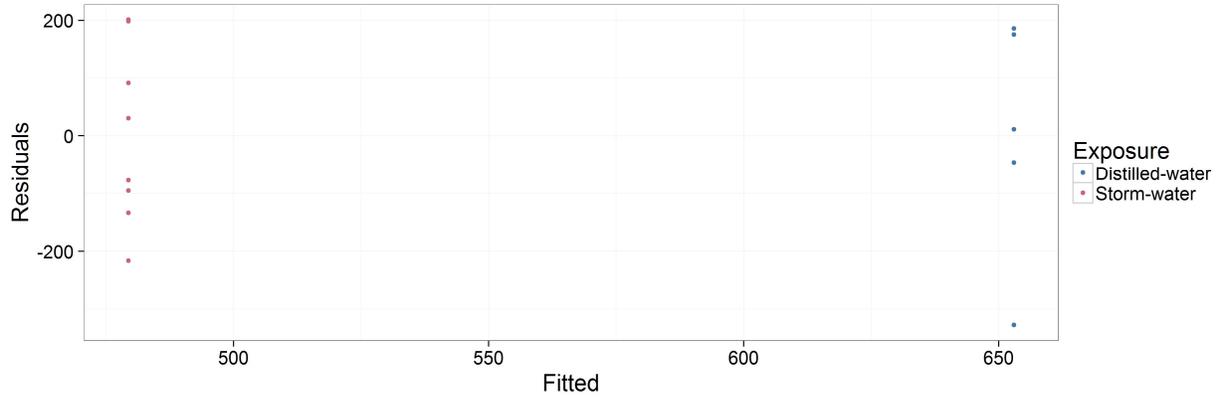


Figure 152. ANOVA Residuals Between Column Water Samples for Observed OTUs Based on the SOBS Calculation

Table 89. One Way ANOVA Test Result for Diversity Comparison of Water Samples by Column Based on SOBS Calculation

| | Df | Sum Sq | Mean Sq | F value | Pr(>F) |
|-----------|----|------------|-----------|---------|--------|
| Exposure | 1 | 92725.930 | 92725.930 | 2.972 | 0.113 |
| Residuals | 11 | 343157.497 | 31196.136 | NA | NA |

Surface Sediment Samples

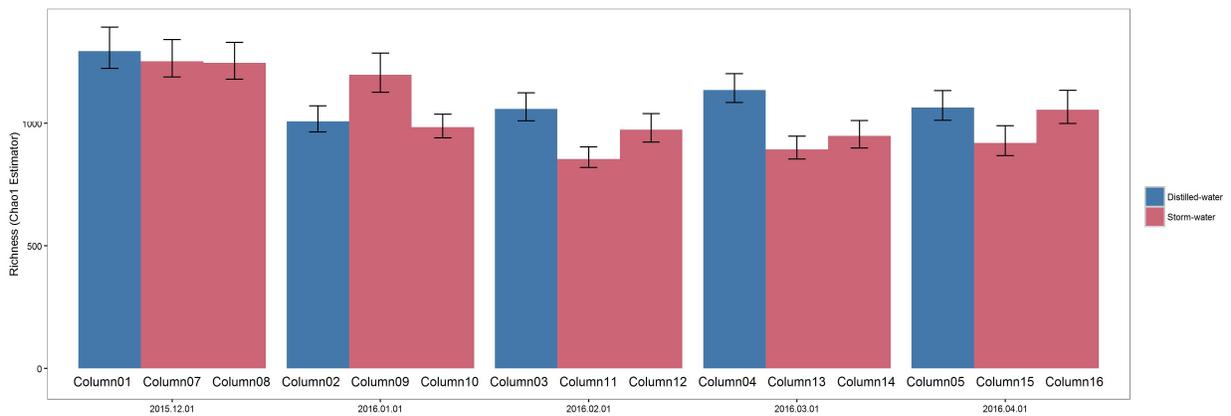


Figure 153. Barplot Between Column Surface Sediment Samples for Richness Based on the Chao1 Estimator

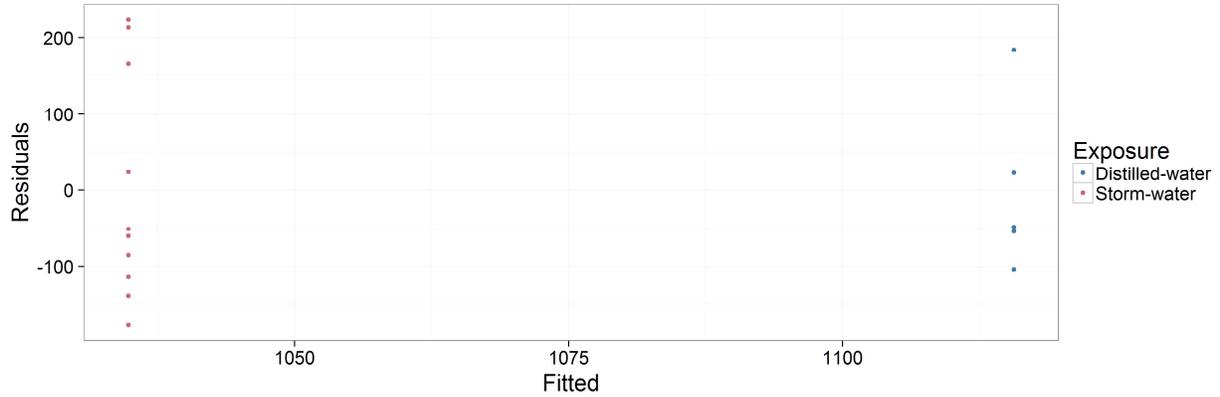


Figure 154. ANOVA Residuals Between Column Surface Sediment Samples for Observed OTUs Based on the Chao1 Estimator

Table 90. One Way ANOVA Test Result for Diversity Comparison of Surface Sediment Samples by Column Based on the Chao1 Estimator

| | Df | Sum Sq | Mean Sq | F value | Pr(>F) |
|-----------|----|------------|-----------|---------|--------|
| Exposure | 1 | 21786.842 | 21786.842 | 1.130 | 0.307 |
| Residuals | 13 | 250705.703 | 19285.054 | NA | NA |

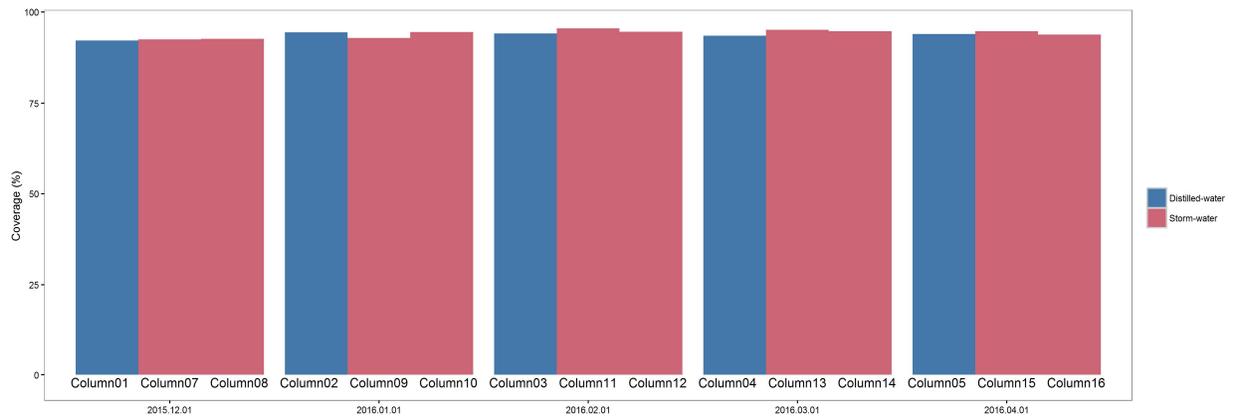


Figure 155. Barplot Between Column Surface Sediment Samples for Coverage Based on the Good's Coverage

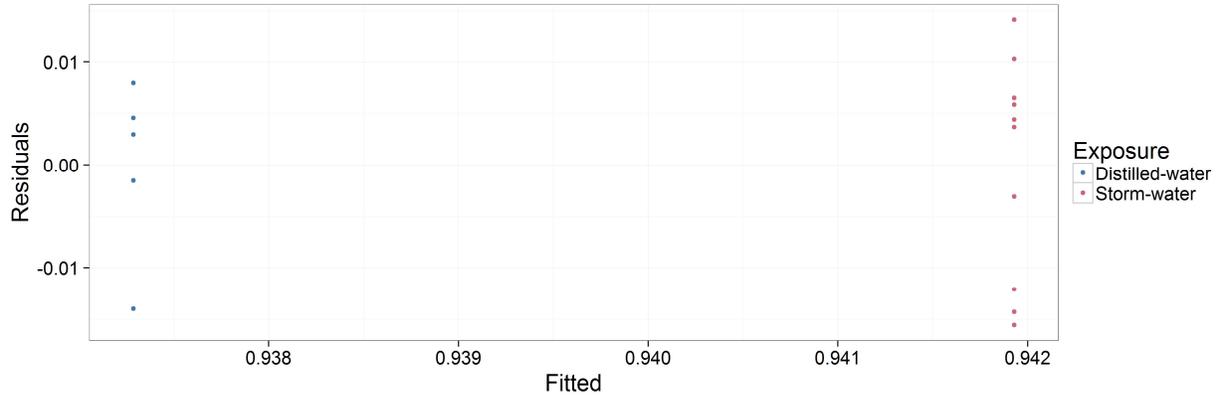


Figure 156. ANOVA Residuals Between Column Surface Sediment Samples for Observed OTUs Based on the Good's Coverage

Table 91. One Way ANOVA Test Result for Diversity Comparison of Surface Sediment Samples by Column Based on the Good's Coverage

| | Df | Sum Sq | Mean Sq | F value | Pr(>F) |
|-----------|----|----------|----------|---------|--------|
| Exposure | 1 | 7.19E-05 | 7.19E-05 | 0.713 | 0.414 |
| Residuals | 13 | 0.001 | 0.000 | NA | NA |

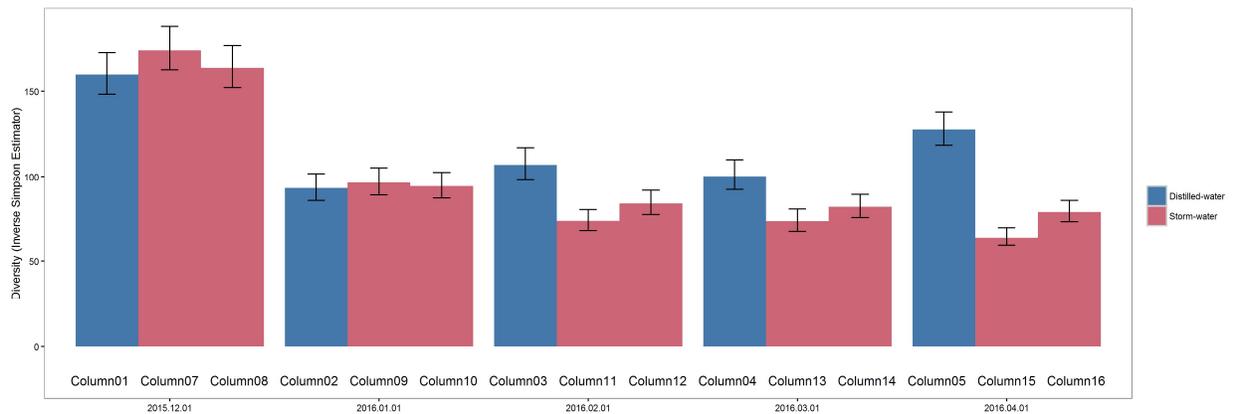


Figure 157. Barplot Between Column Surface Sediment Samples for Diversity Based on the Inverse Simpson Estimator

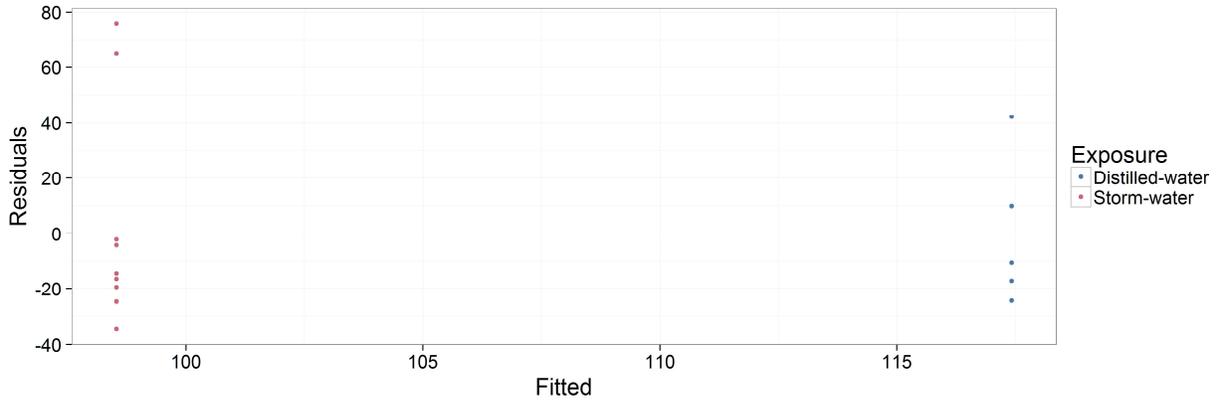


Figure 158. ANOVA Residuals Between Column Surface Sediment Samples for Observed OTUs Based on the Inverse Simpson Estimator

Table 92. One Way ANOVA Test Result for Diversity Comparison of Surface Sediment Samples by Column Based on the Inverse Simpson Estimator

| | Df | Sum Sq | Mean Sq | F value | Pr(>F) |
|-----------|----|-----------|----------|---------|--------|
| Exposure | 1 | 1189.593 | 1189.593 | 0.955 | 0.346 |
| Residuals | 13 | 16194.774 | 1245.752 | NA | NA |

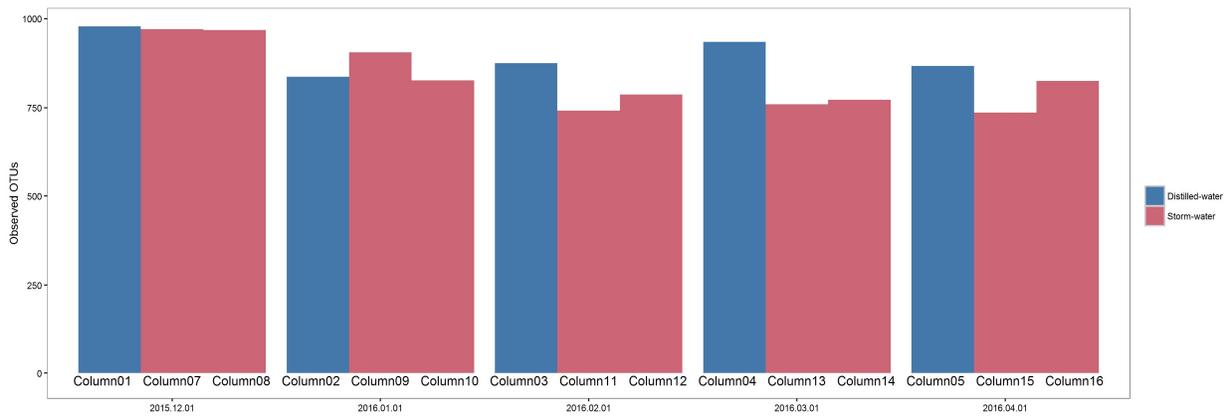


Figure 159. Barplot Between Column Surface Sediment Samples for Observed OTUs Based on the SOBS Calculation

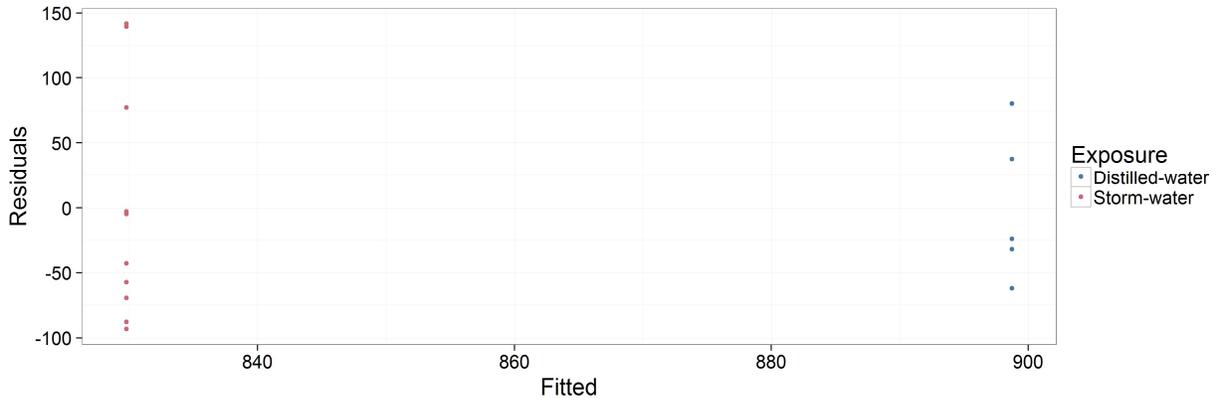


Figure 160. ANOVA Residuals Between Column Surface Sediment Samples for Observed OTUs Based on the SOBS Calculation

Table 93. One Way ANOVA Test Result for Diversity Comparison of Surface Sediment Samples by Column Based on SOBS Calculation

| | Df | Sum Sq | Mean Sq | F value | Pr(>F) |
|-----------|----|-----------|-----------|---------|--------|
| Exposure | 1 | 15856.479 | 15856.479 | 2.414 | 0.144 |
| Residuals | 13 | 85388.725 | 6568.363 | NA | NA |

10-cm Depth Samples

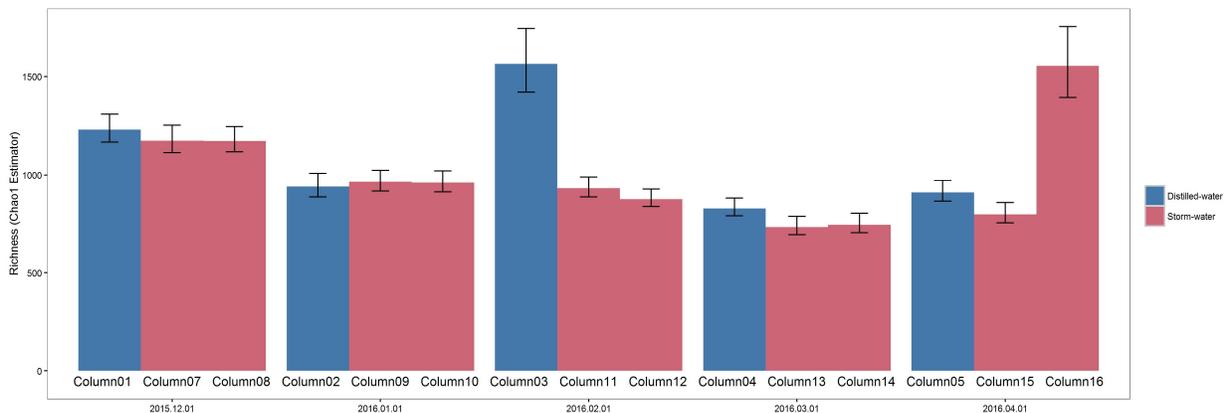


Figure 161. Barplot Between Column 10-cm Depth Sediment Samples for Richness Based on the Chao1 Estimator

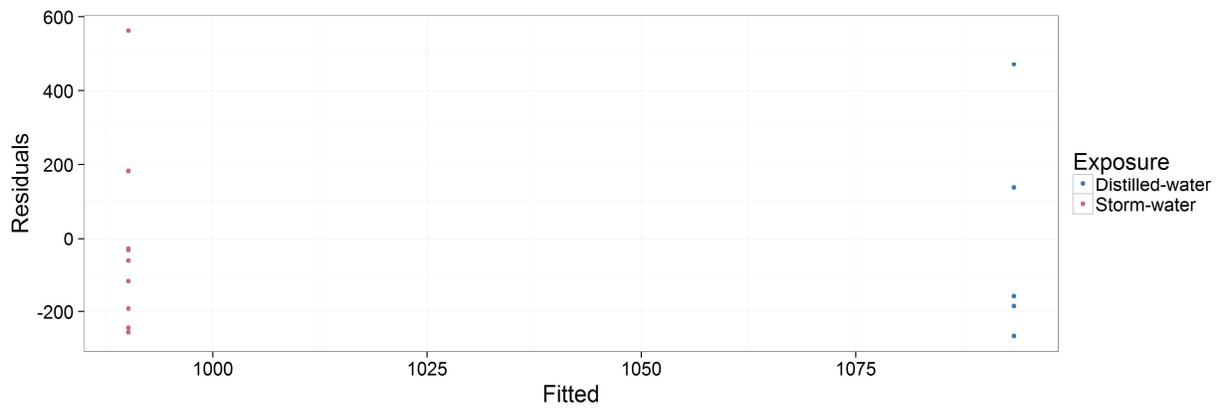


Figure 162. ANOVA Residuals Between Column 10-cm Depth Sediment Samples for Observed OTUs Based on the Chao1 Estimator

Table 94. One Way ANOVA Test Result for Diversity Comparison of 10-cm Depth Sediment Samples by Column Based on Chao1 Estimator

| | Df | Sum Sq | Mean Sq | F value | Pr(>F) |
|-----------|----|------------|-----------|---------|--------|
| Exposure | 1 | 35596.312 | 35596.312 | 0.496 | 0.494 |
| Residuals | 13 | 932234.181 | 71710.322 | NA | NA |

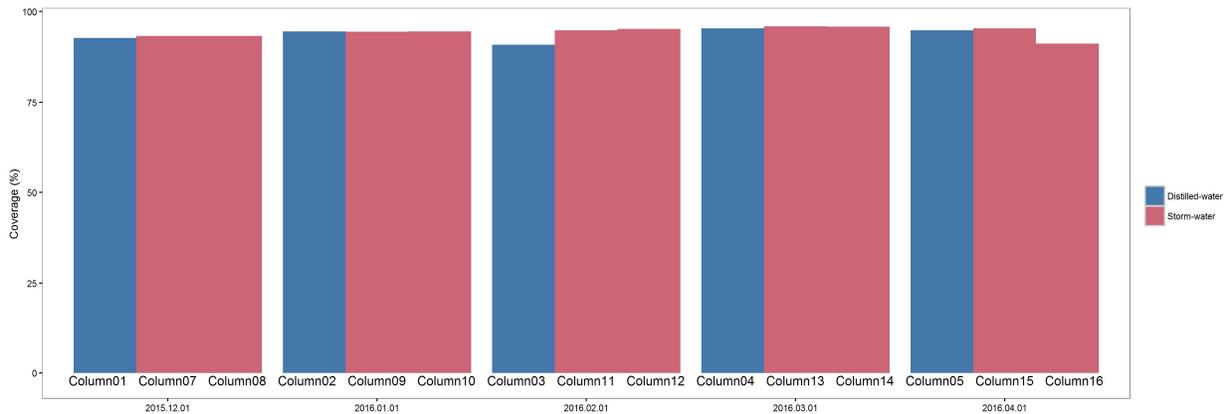


Figure 163. Barplot Between Column 10-cm Depth Sediment Samples for Coverage Based on the Good's Coverage

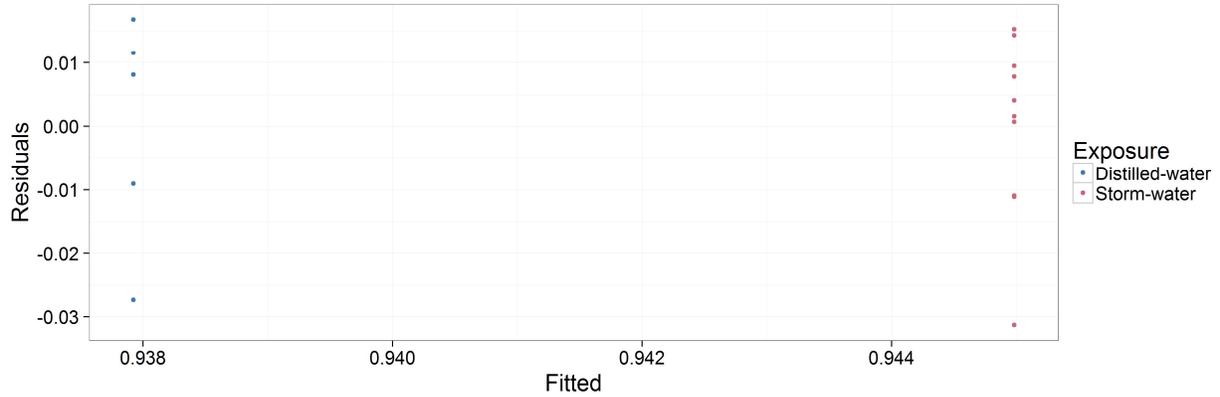


Figure 164. ANOVA Residuals Between Column 10-cm Depth Sediment Samples for Observed OTUs Based on the Good's Coverage

Table 95. One Way ANOVA Test Result for Diversity Comparison of 10-cm Depth Sediment Samples by Column Based on Good's Coverage

| | Df | Sum Sq | Mean Sq | F value | Pr(>F) |
|-----------|----|--------|---------|---------|--------|
| Exposure | 1 | 0.000 | 0.000 | 0.687 | 0.422 |
| Residuals | 13 | 0.003 | 0.000 | NA | NA |

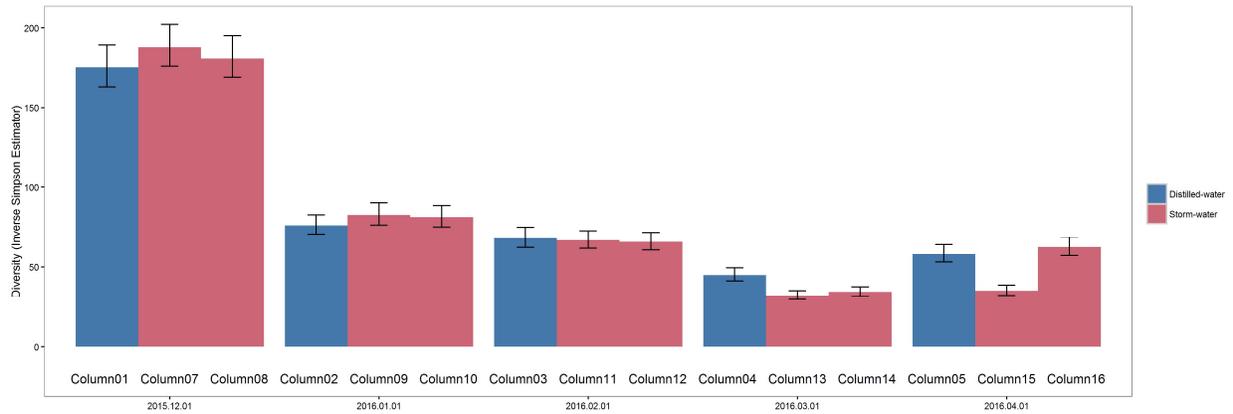


Figure 165. Barplot Between Column 10-cm Depth Sediment Samples for Diversity Based on the Inverse Simpson Estimator

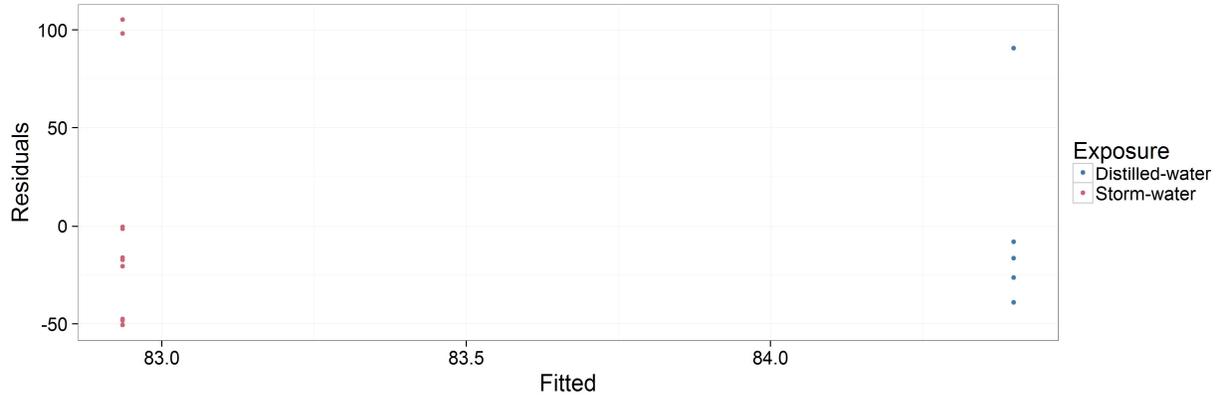


Figure 166. ANOVA Residuals Between Column 10-cm Depth Sediment Samples for Observed OTUs Based on the Inverse Simpson Estimator

Table 96. One Way ANOVA Test Result for Diversity Comparison of 10-cm Depth Sediment Samples by Column Based on the Inverse Simpson Estimator

| | Df | Sum Sq | Mean Sq | F value | Pr(>F) |
|-----------|----|-----------|----------|---------|--------|
| Exposure | 1 | 7.152 | 7.152 | 0.002 | 0.962 |
| Residuals | 13 | 39758.351 | 3058.335 | NA | NA |

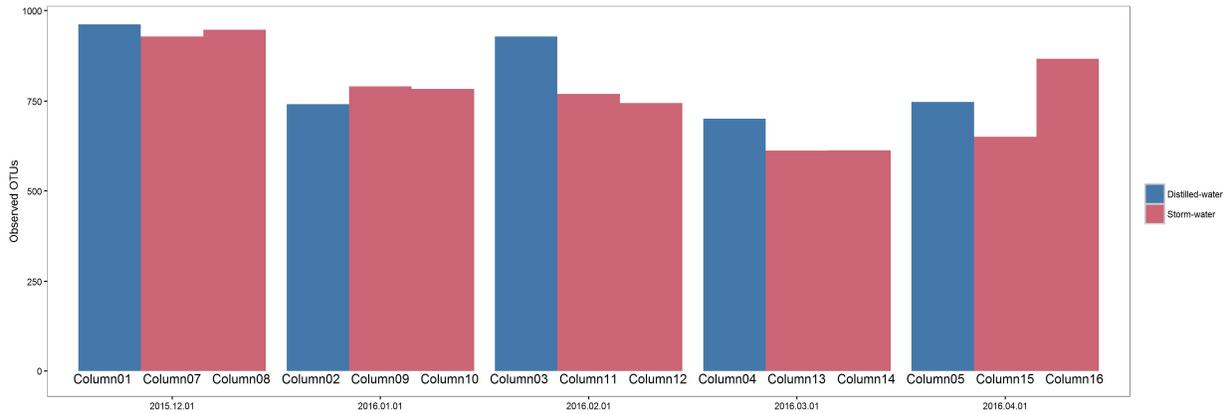


Figure 167. Barplot Between Column 10-cm Depth Sediment Samples for Observed OTUs Based on the SOBS Calculation

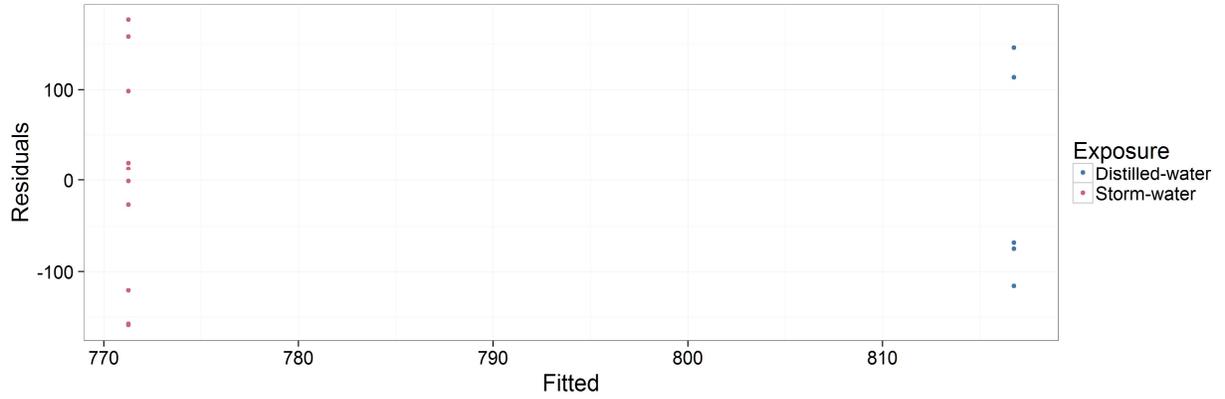


Figure 168. ANOVA Residuals Between Column 10-cm Depth Sediment Samples for Observed OTUs Based on the SOBS Calculation

Table 97. One Way ANOVA Test Result for Diversity Comparison of 10-cm Depth Sediment Samples by Column Based on SOBS Calculation

| | Df | Sum Sq | Mean Sq | F value | Pr(>F) |
|-----------|----|------------|-----------|---------|--------|
| Exposure | 1 | 6898.043 | 6898.0429 | 0.473 | 0.504 |
| Residuals | 13 | 189753.330 | 14596.410 | NA | NA |

Appendix I: Letters of Permission and Support for the Research Project



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Dear Genome BC

As the academic project leader for this project, I fully support the proposed research, to develop a biomarker tool for monitoring and validating stormwater treatment wetlands. I also support the proposed collaboration between UBC and Kerr Wood Leidal Consulting Engineers Ltd. The results from this collaboration will benefit UBC and will provide research opportunities for students in the Pollution Control and Waste Management group at UBC. For these reasons, I agree that UBC will provide in-kind funding to support the analysis of environmental samples for metals. Based on estimates provided by Paula Parkinson, the manager of the UBC Civil-Environmental lab, where the lab supplies cost is \$20/sample (without overhead), UBC will provide in-kind support at a value of \$4000, for the analysis of 200 samples for metals.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'J. Atwater'.

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Dear Genome BC,

The UBC Department of Civil Engineering is dedicated to world-class research and supports partnerships with industry which aim to innovate new technologies. For these reasons, on Prof. James Atwater's advice, the UBC Department of Civil Engineering supports the collaboration between UBC and Kerr Wood Leidal Consulting Engineers Ltd. for the development of a biomarker tool to monitor and validate stormwater treatment wetlands. This collaboration is further supported by our department through an in-kind contribution valued at \$4,000, for analysis of metals in soil and water samples using our facilities. In return for the in-kind contribution, UBC expects to grow its reputation in academia through the opportunity to publish research results and to support current graduate students within our department.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Perry Adebar', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

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Dear Genome BC,

Stanley Park Ecology Society (SPES) is a non-profit organization founded in 1988 that works alongside the Vancouver Board of Parks and Recreation to promote stewardship and conservation in Stanley Park. Our mission is to promote awareness of and respect for the natural world and to play a leadership role in the stewardship of Stanley Park through collaborative initiatives in education, research and conservation.

SPES is supporting collaboration with Kerr Wood Leidal (KWL) Consulting Engineers Ltd. and the University of British Columbia (UBC) for the development of a biomarker tool to monitor and validate the microbial uptake of metals at storm water treatment sites. The proposed project is beneficial for our goals and mission as it will provide greater insight into the key microbiological activities within the Lost Lagoon wetland and may highlight potential concerns for the establishment of an additional wetland inside Stanley Park. SPES has an interest in this project's outcomes because the location for analysis is the Lost Lagoon storm water treatment wetland in Stanley Park. Because Stanley Park is a Canadian National Historic Site, Lost Lagoon has significant historical importance and environmental benefits for British Columbia and Canada.

In exchange for the ability to influence this project's outcomes and to publish the results of this project in our annual publications, SPES has agreed to be a co-applicant for this Genome BC LIPP application and to support this project, as a user-partner, through an in-kind contribution valued at \$2,000. This in-kind contribution includes performing site maintenance at the Lost Lagoon wetland and assisting with site sampling and public relations and outreach for the project, particularly due to the fact that the sampling site is in an area near high pedestrian traffic.

SPES looks forward to the results of this project and is interested in the development of a biomarker tool for validating and monitoring wetlands. For this reason, we hope that Genome BC will accept and fund this proposed project.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "June Pretzer". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal stroke extending to the right.

June Pretzer
Conservation Project Manager

Aug 27, 2015,

Genome British Columbia
400 – 575 West 8th Ave.
Vancouver, BC V5Z 0C4

Re: Support of Genome BC User Partnership Program

Dear Genome BC,

KWL is committed to developing a genomics tool that can be used to monitor and validate stormwater treatment systems. KWL is playing a significant role in the development of this tool through cash and in-kind support as well as through consulting and leadership support throughout the course of the project. KWL has committed \$12,000 in cash to be paid towards a stipend for graduate student, Jessica LeNoble, who will act as the project manager for the sampling and analysis plan. In addition, KWL will supply incremental in-kind support for this project at a value of \$2,000, which will cover printing and office supplies, software licenses, and resources for information sharing.

KWL has been active in the development of this tool from the beginning of the brainstorming phase to the refinement of a practical genomics application. To ensure useful results are obtained KWL will remain engaged throughout the research and development activities. If results suggest follow on research and development is required, KWL is committed to exploring options for the further development of this biomarker tool.

KWL will benefit from this project because a greater understanding of the biological activity taking place in treatment wetlands will allow us to modify our best practices in order to produce even more effective treatment systems in the future. The development of a database with biomarkers for bacteria that contribute to the successful uptake of metals from wetland treatment systems will provide a monitoring and validation tool that will have great benefits for engineered wetlands operating in British Columbia.

KWL is in full support of this funding application for the Genome BC User Partnership Program.

Sincerely,
KERR WOOD LEIDAL ASSOCIATES LTD.

Chris Johnston, P.Eng.
Vice President, Stormwater
Kerr Wood Leidal



September 14, 2015

Dear Genome BC,

The Vancouver Board of Parks and Recreation (VBPR), Stanley Park Department, supports this application to the Genome BC User Partnership Program for funding to research and develop a biomarker tool with the aim to monitor and validate stormwater treatment wetlands.

The mission of the VBPR is to provide, preserve, and advocate for parks and recreation to benefit all people, communities, and the environment. This mission is in line with using best practices to manage water treatment. As such, the VBPR contracted Kerr Wood Leidal Consulting Engineers Ltd. in 1999 to design the Lost Lagoon stormwater treatment, which treats stormwater exiting the Stanley Park Causeway. The VBPR also manages the upkeep and maintenance of the Lost Lagoon wetland. This includes having contracted and overseen the dredging of the sediment basin in the wetland in 2013.

Because the site of interest for the proposed project is on property managed by the VBPR, the VBPR has an interest in the data which will result from this analysis. This project is also in line with our Strategic Plan's mandate to be a "leader in greening" or "to demonstrate leading green and horticultural practices and [to] preserve, protect and create green space."

Wetlands in our parks provide habitat for plants and animals and give citizens and tourists the opportunity to connect with nature. We believe this project may have benefits to the City of Vancouver as it may provide a better understanding of treatment wetlands and allow for an expansion of these types of green practices in the future.

Sincerely,

Brian Quinn

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Vancouver Board of Parks and Recreation
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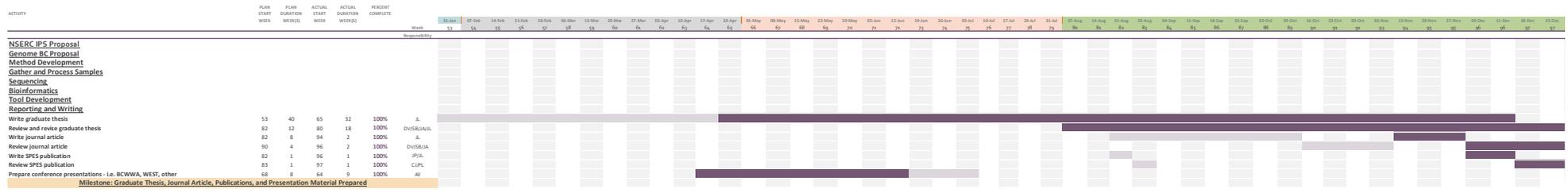
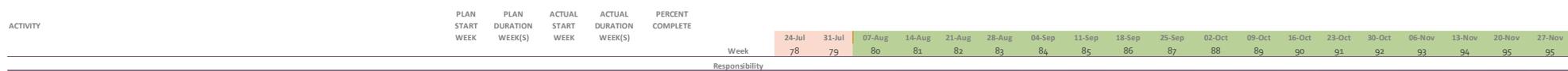
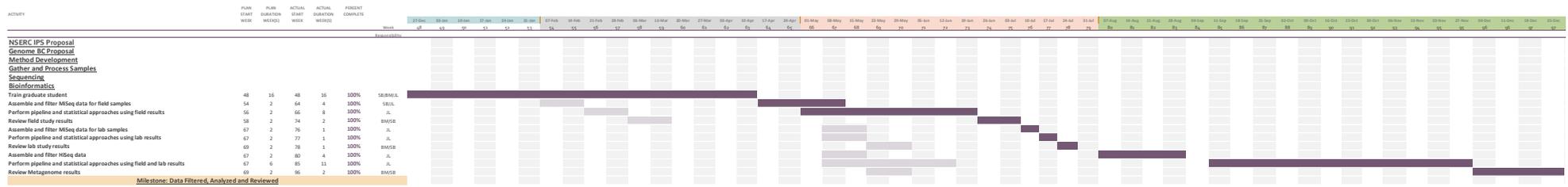
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| ACTIVITY | PLAN | PLAN | ACTUAL | ACTUAL | PERCENT COMPLETE | Responsibility | Week | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
|---|------------|------------------|------------|------------------|------------------|----------------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--|
| | START WEEK | DURATION WEEK(S) | START WEEK | DURATION WEEK(S) | | | 07-Jun | 14-Jun | 21-Jun | 28-Jun | 05-Jul | 12-Jul | 19-Jul | 26-Jul | 02-Aug | 09-Aug | 16-Aug | 23-Aug | 30-Aug | |
| | | | | | | | 19 | 20 | 21 | 22 | 23 | 24 | 25 | 26 | 27 | 28 | 29 | 30 | 31 | |
| NSERC IPS Proposal | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Genome BC Proposal | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Method Development | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Select research site | 19 | 2 | 19 | 2 | 100% | CJ | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Obtain site and lab access | 19 | 2 | 19 | 2 | 100% | JL | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Define research plan | 19 | 13 | 19 | 13 | 100% | JL | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Determine site characteristics | 25 | 4 | 25 | 4 | 100% | JL | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Assemble lab and field equipment | 25 | 7 | 25 | 7 | 100% | JL | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Validate lab methods | 25 | 4 | 25 | 4 | 100% | JL | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Milestone: Methods and Research Plan Developed and Finalized | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |

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| | WEEK | WEEK(S) | WEEK | WEEK(S) | | | 01-Nov | 08-Nov | 15-Nov | 22-Nov | 29-Nov | 06-Dec | 13-Dec | 20-Dec | 27-Dec | 03-Jan | 10-Jan | 17-Jan | 24-Jan | 31-Jan | 07-Feb | 14-Feb | 21-Feb | 28-Feb | 06-Mar | 13-Mar | 20-Mar | 27-Mar | 03-Apr | |
| | | | | | | | 40 | 41 | 42 | 43 | 44 | 45 | 46 | 47 | 48 | 49 | 50 | 51 | 52 | 53 | 54 | 55 | 56 | 57 | 58 | 59 | 60 | 61 | 62 | |
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| Method Development | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Gather and Process Samples | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Extract and process field samples | 25 | 20 | 25 | 22 | 100% | JL | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Build lab study setup | 39 | 1 | 43 | 4 | 100% | DV/JL | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Extract and process lab study samples | 39 | 16 | 46 | 17 | 100% | JL | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Milestone: Field and Lab Samples Analyzed for Environmental Parameters and Extracted/Preserved for DNA Analysis | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |

| ACTIVITY | START | DURATION | START | DURATION | COMPLETE | Responsibility | Week | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
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| | WEEK | WEEK(S) | WEEK | WEEK(S) | | | 01-Nov | 08-Nov | 15-Nov | 22-Nov | 29-Nov | 06-Dec | 13-Dec | 20-Dec | 27-Dec | 03-Jan | 10-Jan | 17-Jan | 24-Jan | 31-Jan | 07-Feb | 14-Feb | 21-Feb | 28-Feb | 06-Mar | 13-Mar | 20-Mar | 27-Mar | 03-Apr | 10-Apr | 17-Apr | 24-Apr | 01-May | 08-May | 15-May | 22-May | 29-May | 05-Jun | 12-Jun | 19-Jun |
| | | | | | | | 40 | 41 | 42 | 43 | 44 | 45 | 46 | 47 | 48 | 49 | 50 | 51 | 52 | 53 | 54 | 55 | 56 | 57 | 58 | 59 | 60 | 61 | 62 | 63 | 64 | 65 | 66 | 67 | 68 | 69 | 70 | 71 | 72 | 73 |
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| Method Development | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Gather and Process Samples | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Sequencing | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Train graduate student | 42 | 12 | 42 | 24 | 100% | SB/JL | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Prepare field study samples for MiSeq | 40 | 12 | 40 | 18 | 100% | JL | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| MiSeq field study samples | 46 | 8 | 58 | 6 | 100% | JL | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Review field study results | 54 | 2 | 64 | 2 | 100% | BM/JS | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Prepare lab study samples for MiSeq | 45 | 16 | 45 | 18 | 100% | JL | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| MiSeq lab study samples | 61 | 4 | 64 | 2 | 100% | JL | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Review lab study results | 65 | 2 | 66 | 2 | 100% | BM/JS | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Prepare samples for HiSeq | 62 | 2 | 62 | 4 | 100% | JL | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| HiSeq samples | 64 | 8 | 66 | 4 | 100% | JL | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Review results | 72 | 2 | 70 | 2 | 100% | BM/JS | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Milestone: MiSeq and HiSeq Data Received and Reviewed | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |



Appendix K: Independent Statistical Review by UBC Applied Statistics and Data Science Group

Upon completion of this thesis, an independent review was conducted by the University of British Columbia Applied Statistics and Data Science Group. The following is the report on statistical limitations and potential opportunities for future exploration.

Revision of Statistical Methods for the master
thesis: Genomics tool for monitoring and
validating engineered stormwater treatment
wetlands

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Abstract

This report provides a revision to the statistical methods used in the thesis. The thesis work under review performs an exploratory statistical analysis in order to provide a 'proof of concept' that the wetland treatment does work when it comes to purifying the storm-water. In general, the project fulfills its objective of providing an exhaustive exploratory statistical analysis supported by appropriate statistical methods. The statistical hypotheses are established to match the scientific question, a sound sampling design is used to collect the data, appropriate statistical tests are used to prove that the hypotheses hold, and an abundant graphics assists with deeper understanding of the data space. The use of the specific statistical tests is well explained and justified throughout the thesis, and the results are clearly presented. The remainder of this report will focus on limitations and guidelines for future work on these project's data.

Limitations and guidelines for future continuation of the project

Addressing the limitations for the future continuation of this project:

- Sampling design is done in two phases, first the 'search sampling' is used to detect the hot spots of contaminated areas, and then 'systematic sampling' is applied to sample from grids. The validity of the 'search sampling' depends on the accuracy of prior info on where or when to begin the search or on the accuracy of measurement to guide the search. If this assumption is violated, the resulting estimates might be biased. In order to justify that the 'search sampling' is appropriately used here, the section 2.5.1.2 needs some explanation of what kind of prior knowledge was available in order to satisfy the assumption of the 'search sampling'. Gilbert 1987 [3], Chapter 10, provides statistical methods on how to find hot spots of high contamination given that the target hot spot is circular or elliptical. Therefore, if the methods by Gilbert 1987 [3], Chapter 10 were used in this thesis work, then it should be mentioned in section 2.5.1.2 along with explanation and justification of whether the target hot spot is circular or elliptical.
- As regards the 'systematic sampling', an aligned grid of equidistant lines has been used to determine the population of the sampling units. Sampling on the aligned grid might introduce bias in the estimates as a result of unsuspected periodicities over the space or some other environmental factors ([3]). To reduce the introduced bias one can use unaligned sampling grid. This is simply a reminder of the possibility that bias might be introduced when sampling on aligned grid. A brief mentioning in the section 2.5.1.2 that aligned grid has been used could clarify sampling design.
- Systematic sampling occurs when samples are taken at regularly spaced intervals over time or space. Initial time or location are chosen at random, and then the remaining samples are collected at regular intervals over time or space. Again, section section 2.5.1.2 would be more clear by including an explanation of how the initial random sample was chosen and if samples were obtained at same locations but different times.
- In section 3.5.9.5.1 checking and correcting for missing values, samples with missing values were removed from the dataset prior to hypothesis testing. Some explanation and references about dealing with missing data are needed here. Some of the missing data techniques do remove the samples with missing data, however, one has to check if the data are missing at random, or learn the distribution of missing data (see for example [1]). After that, decision can be made on how the missing data problem can be handled. Could be that the DNA sequencing technology makes random errors? This needs some explanation, before the missing data are removed.

Some of the deletion methods for missing data are list-wise deletion, and pairwise deletion, and these are their disadvantages:

- Removing the missing data reduces statistical power.
 - The estimates might be biased if the data are not missing completely at random.
 - Does not use all information.
- In section 3.5.9.5.1, when screening for outliers, the outliers are removed from the dataset without learning the distribution of the measurements with and without outliers. Can we learn how the outliers affect the results? At least obtaining results with and without outliers would show how the outliers affect the results (see for example [2]).
 - In section 3.5.9.5.1, one-way ANOVA was used to compare diversity of the bacterial communities among different sites, and Tukey test was run only for the sites where significant differences have been identified. Why not perform Tukey test for all sites, but only for those sites where ANOVA detected significant differences? At least findings should be stated in terms of whether the results from the one-way ANOVA were confirmed or not.
 - In Section 3.6.1.4.1, a decreasing trend in the contaminants, such as molybdenum, nickel, barium, copper manganese and zinc, is observed by visual inspection of the graphs, which is the obvious thing to do for exploration purposes. However, if more formal proof is needed to estimate the trend, some modeling should be considered. For instance, time series models or regression model similar to that in section 2.4.4.4.2 could be used here.
 - There are repeated measures in time, that have not been used. Although comparisons are made at different time points, the correlations between repeated measures are not taken into account. Having in mind that this was a pilot project, exploratory analysis is the first step towards learning what is hidden in the data. However, in the continuation of this project, the data can be modeled so that all the available information could be used. For instance, mixed model could use all available information, while taking into account the correlations between the repeated measures in Chapter 2. One could model the in-site and between-site variability in how toxicity in the storm-water affects composition and function of the microbial communities.

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Appendix L: Reflections on the Work

Here, I (Jessica LeNoble), present a personal reflection on the work that was performed over the duration of this research project and for the preparation of this thesis. This narrative was inspired by my reading of a past graduate student's thesis, who studied under my supervisor.

During my graduate degree, I learned that there is a great deal of education that takes place beyond the classroom and beyond the design of a research plan and the achievement of one's intended (or unintended) results and conclusions. Some examples include:

- I learned to adapt: when I arrived at UBC, my original research goals involved testing a very different set of hypotheses for the mining sector. At the time of this research, the finances and desire for a student-led project did not exist within the local mining community but there was desire for a similar project to be conducted for stormwater treatment systems. I struggled at first but was ultimately able to design a project that met my desire to learn a new skill in genomics and to experiment with metal-contaminated sites, which was the area for which I was most passionate.
- I learned to think quickly: with field work, there is really no end to the unexpected troubles one can encounter. Especially while working in a public park, thinking quickly or creatively is an essential trait that can only be acquired through experience. My experiences in the wetland will not be forgotten. Highlights include, blowing up my research vessel (dinghy) without a pump (i.e. with my mouth), fending off wild animals (racoons) who were enticed by my tin foil, fixing equipment with packing tape, and working around the general public who walk the gravel path that borders Lost Lagoon.
- Finally, I learned to appreciate the research community: while at UBC, I experienced an incredible level of kindness and guidance. Everyone I worked with wanted to see me succeed with my project and I observed a fantastic level of passion for pollution control and conservation among my colleagues and supervisors.

I have taken the opportunity to share my experiences with others through presentations in several forums. First, while studying at UBC, I worked for a program called eng-cite where I shared my experience of studying and researching in engineering with hundreds of girls between the age of 8 and 18, encouraging them to consider entering a technical discipline. I think back to the privilege that I experienced at a young age where I was exposed to the environmental field by a teacher in grade 9 and I hope that this outreach may have the same effect for someone else. I also presented my research as a narrative on my experiences in graduate studies at two conferences – the Water and Environment Student Talks Conference and at the young professionals' reception during the British Columbia Water and Waste Association Annual

Conference. In both presentations, rather than focusing on my research outcomes, I focused on the three learning outcomes that I have listed above. I believe that while our research conclusions shape our presentations and publications, it is ultimately our research experiences that shape our futures. It was my goal with these presentations to inspire others to pursue research in the area where they are most passionate so that they too may produce positive changes in the fields of their interests.

I have been incredibly fortunate to work with an excellent team and to have contributed a useful resource to fields of growing importance, namely pollution control, waste management, stormwater treatment, microbiology, and environmental conservation.