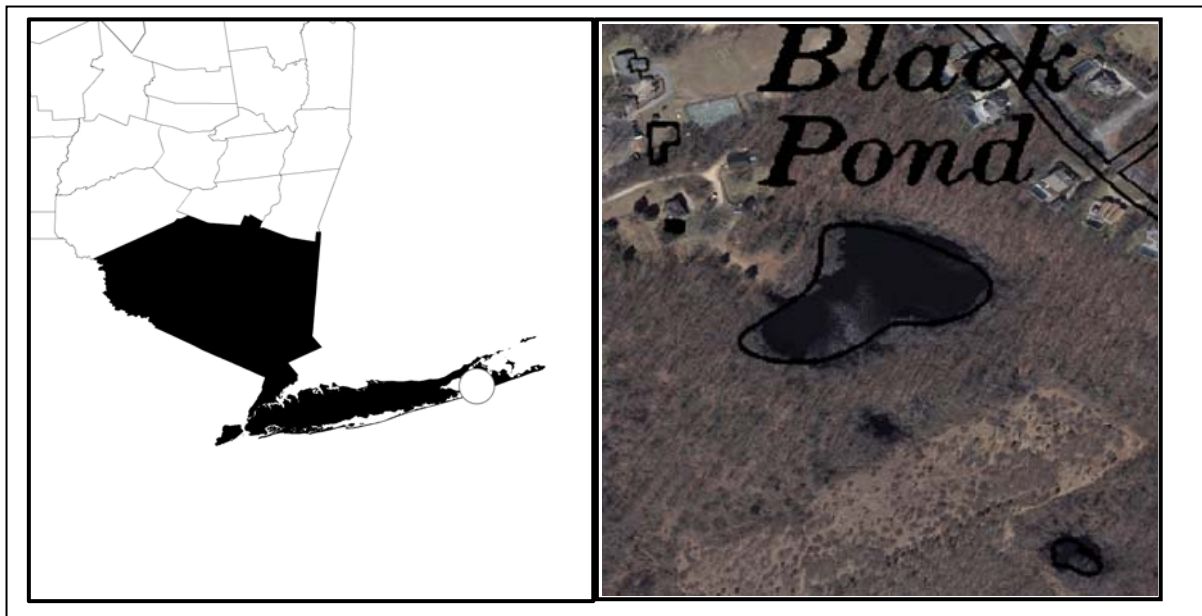


CSLAP 2010 Lake Water Quality Summary: Black Pond

General Lake Information

Location	Town of Southampton
County	Suffolk
Basin	Long Island Sound/Atlantic Ocean
Size	1.1 hectares (2.7 acres)
Lake Origins	Natural
Watershed Area	50 hectares (123.5 acres)
Retention Time	0.04 years
Mean Depth	0.5 meters
Sounding Depth	1 meters
Public Access?	no
Major Tributaries	no named tribs
Lake Tributary To...	no named outlet
WQ Classification	C (non-contact recreation = boating, angling)
Lake Outlet Latitude	40.951
Lake Outlet Longitude	-72.297
Sampling Years	2008-2010
2010 Samplers	Dai Dayton and Jean Dodds
Main Contact	Dai Dayton

Lake Map



Background

Black Pond is a 3 acre, class C lake found in the Town of Southampton in Suffolk County, in the Long Island region of New York State. It was first sampled as part of CSLAP in 2008.

It is one of six CSLAP lakes among the more than 100 lakes found in Suffolk County, and one of eight CSLAP lakes among the more than 200 lakes and ponds in the Atlantic Ocean-Long Island Sound drainage basin.

Lake Uses

Black Pond is a Class C lake; this means that the best intended use for the lake is for non-contact recreation—boating and aesthetics, although the lake may also support contact recreation—swimming and bathing. The lake is not used for swimming or other recreational uses, and there is no public access to the lake.

It is not known whether Black Pond has been stocked through any state fisheries stocking programs, or if any private stocking has occurred.

General statewide fishing regulations are applicable in Black Pond. In addition, there is a year-round open season on bluegill, crappie, pumpkinseed sunfish, trout and yellow perch. There is a size limit of nine inches, and a daily take limit of 15 fish for all of these fish except trout, which has a daily take limit of three. Ice fishing of trout is permitted.

There are no lake-specific fish consumption advisories on Black Pond.

Historical Water Quality Data

CSLAP sampling was conducted on Black Pond from 2008 to 2010. The CSLAP reports for Black Pond for several years are posted on the NYSFOLA website at www.nysfola.org, under NYS Lake Association Lake List.

Black Pond has not been sampled through any previous NYSDEC monitoring program. It is not known if the lake has been sampled by any organizations associated with the Long Island Greenbelt.

There are no NYSDEC RIBS monitoring sites near Black Pond, and there are no named tributaries to the lake.

Lake Association and Management History

Black Pond is part of the Long Pond Greenbelt complex, along with (among other CSLAP lakes) Lily Pond and Little Long Pond. The Long Pond Greenbelt is an approximately 11-kilometer (7-mile) north-south corridor of ponds, streams, and adjacent upland areas in the Outer Coastal Plain physiographic province. The preservation of land in the Long Pond Greenbelt has been a goal in the master plan for the town of Southampton since 1970. Long Pond Greenbelt is recognized by the New York State Department of State as a Significant Coastal Fish and Wildlife Habitat, and by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service as a priority wetland complex under the federal Emergency Wetlands Resources Act of 1986. The New York State Natural Heritage Program, in conjunction with The Nature Conservancy, recognizes several Priority Sites for Biodiversity within the Long Pond Greenbelt complex. Black Pond is classified as B3 - high biodiversity significance. Other excellent examples of coastal plain pond shore communities occur at Long Pond and Little Long Pond.

Information about the Long Pond Greenbelt can be found at http://library.fws.gov/pubs5/web_link/text/lpg_form.htm.

Summary of 2010 CSLAP Sampling Results

Evaluation of Eutrophication Indicators

Each of the trophic indicators (Secchi disk transparency, chlorophyll *a* and total phosphorus readings) was within the normal range in 2010. It is not yet known if the readings in the last three years represent normal conditions or are part of longer-term trends. The lake can be characterized as *eutrophic*, or highly productive, based on chlorophyll *a*, water clarity and total phosphorus readings (all typical of *eutrophic* lakes). The trophic state indices (TSI) evaluation suggests that each of these trophic indicators is “internally consistent”—each of these indicators is in the expected range given the readings of the other indicators. Phycocyanin levels were above the levels indicating susceptibility for harmful algal blooms (HABs) in 2009 and 2010. Overall trophic conditions are summarized on the Lake Scorecard and Lake Condition Summary Table.

Evaluation of Potable Water Indicators

Algae levels are high enough to render the lake susceptible to taste and odor compounds or elevated DBP (disinfection by product) compounds that could affect the potability of the water, although the lake is not classified for use for drinking water. Potable water conditions, at least as measurable through CSLAP, are summarized in the Lake Scorecard and Lake Condition Summary Table.

Evaluation of Limnological Indicators

Each of the limnological indicators measured in CSLAP in 2010 were close to normal. It is premature to evaluate long-term trends with any of these limnological indicators, although it is likely that the small changes in most of these indicators have been within the normal range of variability in the lake. Overall limnological conditions are summarized in the Lake Scorecard and Lake Condition Summary Table.

Evaluation of Biological Condition

Phytoplankton, macrophyte, zooplankton and macroinvertebrates have not been evaluated through CSLAP in Black Pond, and the composition of the fish community is not known. Biological conditions in the lake are summarized in the Lake Scorecard and Lake Condition Summary Table.

Evaluation of Lake Perception

Water quality, aquatic plant and recreational assessments were close to normal in 2010, and none of these measures of lake perception has yet exhibited any clear long-term trends.

Overall lake perception is summarized on the Lake Scorecard and Lake Condition Summary Table.

Evaluation of Local Climate Change

Air and water temperature readings in the summer index period were similar in all three CSLAP sampling seasons, and neither air nor water temperature readings have yet exhibited any long-term trends (although this might become clearer with additional data).

Lake Condition Summary

Category	Indicator	Min	08-10 Avg	Max	2010 Avg	Classification	2010 Change?	Long-term Change?
Eutrophication Indicators	Water Clarity	0.27	0.41	0.53	0.42	Eutrophic	Within Normal Range	Not yet known
	Chlorophyll <i>a</i>	0.27	32.02	95.58	36.28	Eutrophic	Within Normal Range	Not yet known
	Total Phosphorus	0.044	0.095	0.245	0.072	Eutrophic	Within Normal Range	Not yet known
Potable Water Indicators	Hypolimnetic NH4							
	Hypolimnetic As							
	Hypolimnetic Iron							
	Hypolimnetic Mn							
Limnological Indicators	Hypolimnetic TP							
	Nitrate + Nitrite	0.01	0.02	0.04	0.02	Low NOx	Within Normal Range	Not yet known
	Ammonia	0.02	0.07	0.23	0.04	Low Ammonia	Within Normal Range	Not yet known
	Total Nitrogen	0.95	1.38	2.13	1.32	High Total Nitrogen	Within Normal Range	Not yet known
	pH	5.65	6.76	7.84	6.90	Circumneutral	#NUM!	Not yet known
	Specific Conductance	15	31	42	30	Softwater	Within Normal Range	Not yet known
	True Color	37	88	247	75	Colored	Within Normal Range	Not yet known
	Calcium	0.1	0.7	1.5	0.3	Not Susceptible to Zebra Mussels	Within Normal Range	Not yet known
Lake Perception	WQ Assessment	1	2.2	3	2.4	Not Quite Crystal Clear	Within Normal Range	Not yet known
	Plant Coverage	1	1.0	1	1.0	Plants Not Visible	Within Normal Range	Not yet known
	Rec. Assessment	1	2.1	3	2.3	Excellent	Within Normal Range	Not yet known
Biological Condition	Phytoplankton					Not available through CSLAP	Not known	Not known
	Macrophytes					Not available through CSLAP	Not known	Not known
	Zooplankton					Not available through CSLAP	Not known	Not known
	Macroinvertebrates					Not available through CSLAP	Not known	Not known
	Fish					Not available through CSLAP	Not known	Not known
	Invasive Species					None observed	Not known	Not known
Local Climate Change	Air Temperature	16	23.1	33	22.7		Within Normal Range	Not yet known
	Water Temperature	10	23.1	30	24.1		Within Normal Range	Not yet known

Evaluation of Lake Condition Impacts to Lake Uses

Black Pond is not presently listed on the Atlantic Ocean / Long Island Sound PWL, last updated in 2002.

Potable Water (Drinking Water)

The CSLAP dataset at Black Pond, including water chemistry data, physical measurements, and volunteer samplers' perception data, is inadequate to evaluate the use of the

lake for potable water, and the lake is not used for this purpose. The algae levels in the lake suggest that the “unofficial” potable water use may be compromised.

Contact Recreation (Swimming)

The CSLAP dataset at Black Pond, including water chemistry data, physical measurements, and volunteer samplers’ perception data, suggests that swimming and contact recreation may be *impaired* by reduced water clarity, elevated nutrient and algae levels, and the presence of harmful algal blooms, although additional information about bacterial levels is needed to evaluate the safety of the water for swimming. It should be noted that the lake presently does not support this use.

Non-Contact Recreation (Boating and Fishing)

The CSLAP dataset on Black Pond, including water chemistry data, physical measurements, and volunteer samplers’ perception data, suggest that non-contact recreation should be fully supported.

Aquatic Life

The CSLAP dataset on Black Pond, including water chemistry data, physical measurements, and volunteer samplers’ perception data, suggest that aquatic life may be *threatened* by depressed pH, although additional data are needed to evaluate the food and habitat conditions for aquatic organisms in the lake.

Aesthetics

The CSLAP dataset on Black Pond, including water chemistry data, physical measurements, and volunteer samplers’ perception data, suggest that aesthetics may be *threatened* by excessive algae.

Fish Consumption

There are no fish consumption advisories posted for Black Pond.

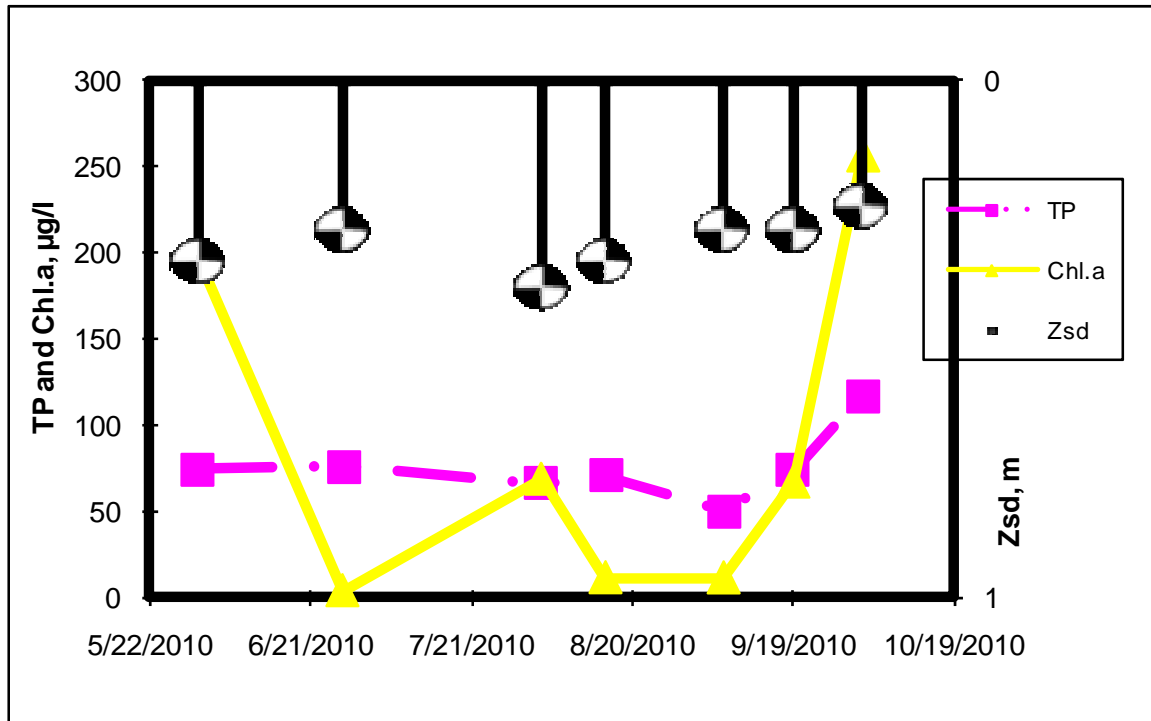
Additional Comments and Recommendations

Aquatic plant monitoring in Black Pond will help to determine if the plant community is more strongly affected by native or invasive plants, particularly fanwort (*Cabomba caroliniana*) and variable watermilfoil (*Myriophyllum heterophyllum*), exotic plant species commonly found in lakes near the Long Pond Greenbelt.

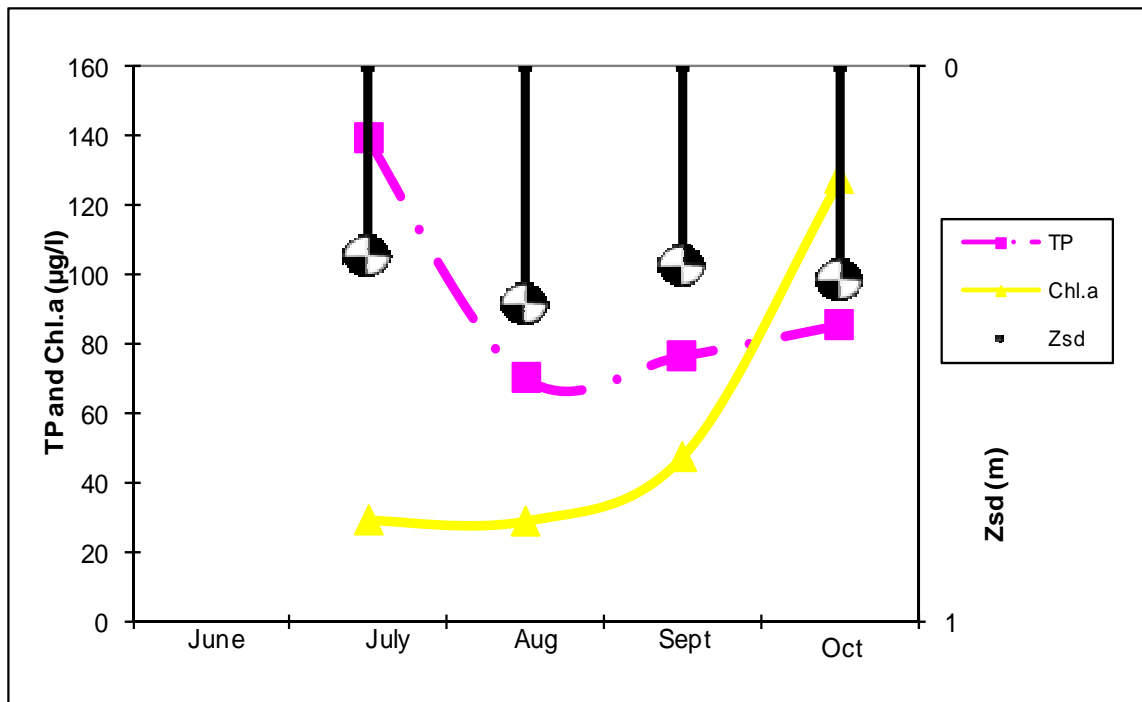
Aquatic Plant IDs-2010

None submitted in 2010.

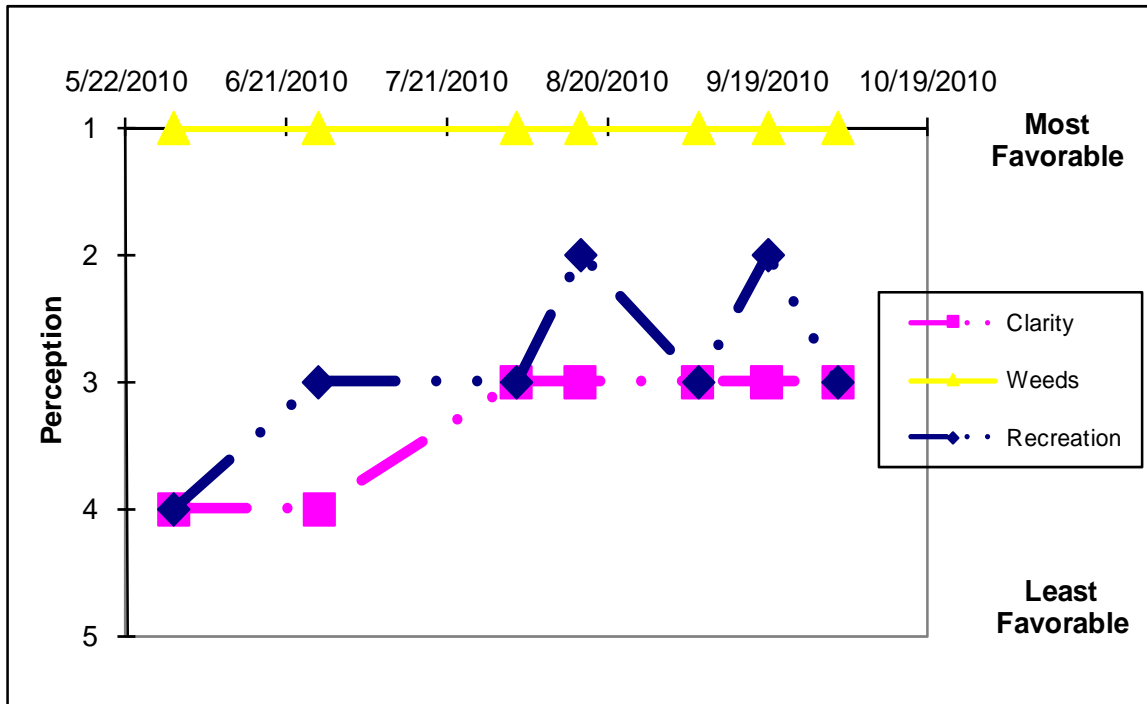
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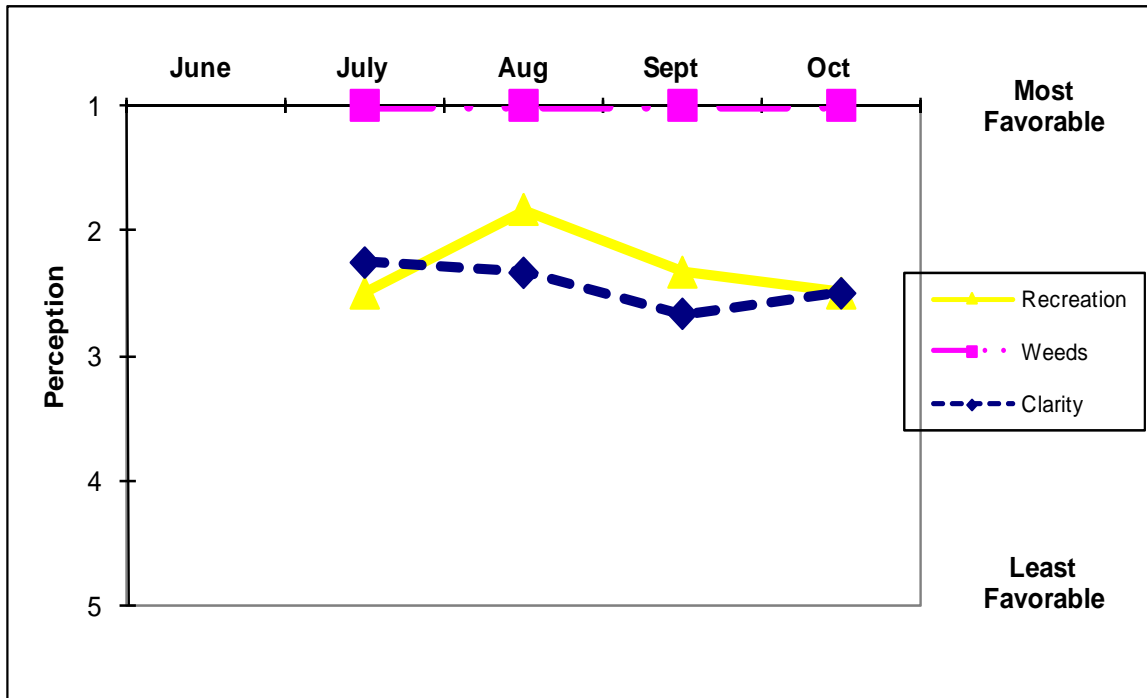
Time Series: Trophic Indicators, Typical Year (2008-2010)



Time Series: Lake Perception Indicators, 2010



Time Series: Lake Perception Indicators, Typical Year (2008-2010)



Appendix A- CSLAP Water Quality Sampling Results for Black Pond

LNum	PName	Date	Zbot	Zsd	Zsamp	Tot.P	NO3	NH4	TDN	TN/TP	TColor	pH	Cond25	Ca	Chl.a
217	Black Pond	7/12/2008		0.35	1.0	0.133	0.04	0.12	1.12	18.43		6.02	35	1.5	6.58
217	Black Pond	7/25/2008		0.35	~1	0.245	0.02	0.10	1.91	17.12	247	6.03	27		4.46
217	Black Pond	8/10/2008	1.00	0.34	0.8	0.100	0.01	0.10	0.95	20.89	37	6.67	38		19.08
217	Black Pond	9/1/2008	1.00	0.35	1.0	0.125	0.01	0.03	2.13	37.52	42	6.15	33		95.58
217	Black Pond	10/11/2008	1.00	0.53	0.5	0.054	0.01	0.23	1.22	49.55	129	7.84	24	0.6	0.27
217	Black Pond	07/11/2009	1.0	0.27	0.9	0.084	0.03	0.03	1.27	33.36	105	6.64	32	0.6	62.00
217	Black Pond	07/26/2009	1.5	0.41	1.0	0.095	0.04	0.07	1.68	38.85	75	6.99	42		43.84
217	Black Pond	08/03/2009	1.5	0.48	1.0	0.078	0.02	0.03	1.23	34.97	78	6.69	30		22.93
217	Black Pond	08/11/2009	1.4	0.48	1.4	0.044	0.01	0.06	1.38	68.80	85	7.21	32		10.80
217	Black Pond	08/23/2009	1.4	0.53		0.063	0.02	0.02	0.97	33.85	76	5.65	35	0.1	39.90
217	Black Pond	09/13/2009	1.0	0.48		0.058	0.01	0.02	1.20	45.83	51	7.02	28		34.90
217	Black Pond	09/20/2009	1.3	0.41		0.082	0.02	0.03	1.54	41.29	91	7.17	30		15.40
217	Black Pond	09/27/2009	1.4	0.34	1.0	0.072	0.01	0.04	1.29	39.45	41	7.79	15		60.50
217	Black Pond	5/31/2010	2.2	0.35	1.5	0.075	0.01	0.05	1.09	32.07	222	5.88	84		196.20
217	Black Pond	6/27/2010	2.0	0.29	1.5	0.076	0.03	0.05	0.98	28.24	166	6.20	60		4.30
217	Black Pond	8/3/2010	0.6	0.40	1.0	0.066	0.02	0.03	0.86	28.72	68	6.36	59		68.70
217	Black Pond	8/15/2010	1.5	0.35	1.0	0.071	0.04	0.05	0.83	25.79	37	8.05	66	1.8	11.80
217	Black Pond	9/6/2010	1.5	0.29	1.0	0.050	0.01	0.02			102	6.03	56	2.3	11.70
217	Black Pond	9/19/2010	1.5	0.29	1.0	0.074	0.05	0.03	0.65	19.32	38	8.07	73		67.00
217	Black Pond	10/2/2010	1.4	0.25		0.117	0.01	0.29	1.16	21.91	42	7.09	57		255.40

LNum	PName	Date	Zbot	Zsd	Zsamp	Site	TAir	TH20	QA	QB	QC	QD
217	Black Pond	7/12/2008		0.35	1.0	epi	23	28	3	1	3	18
217	Black Pond	7/25/2008		0.35	~1	epi	27	10	1	1	2	8
217	Black Pond	8/10/2008	1.00	0.34	0.8	epi	25	25	2	1	1	8
217	Black Pond	9/1/2008	1.00	0.35	1.0	epi	20	23	2	1	1	18
217	Black Pond	10/11/2008	1.00	0.53	0.5	epi	16	17	2	1	2	18
217	Black Pond	07/11/2009	1.0	0.27	0.9	epi	24	21	2	1	2	1
217	Black Pond	07/26/2009	1.5	0.41	1.0	epi	25	21	3	1	3	1
217	Black Pond	08/03/2009	1.5	0.48	1.0	epi	26	27	2	1	2	1
217	Black Pond	08/11/2009	1.4	0.48	1.4	epi	24	29	2	1	1	0
217	Black Pond	08/23/2009	1.4	0.53		epi	26	30	2	1	2	0
217	Black Pond	09/13/2009	1.0	0.48		epi	21	23	3	1	3	1
217	Black Pond	09/20/2009	1.3	0.41		epi	26	21	3	1	3	1
217	Black Pond	09/27/2009	1.4	0.34	1.0	epi	21	19	2	1	2	0
217	Black Pond	5/31/2010	2.2	0.35	1.5	epi	23	26	4	1	4	13
217	Black Pond	6/27/2010	2.0	0.29	1.5	epi	24	26	4	1	3	13
217	Black Pond	8/3/2010	0.6	0.40	1.0	epi	33	28	3	1	3	16
217	Black Pond	8/15/2010	1.5	0.35	1.0	epi	25	26	3	1	2	1
217	Black Pond	9/6/2010	1.5	0.29	1.0	epi	19	22	3	1	3	1
217	Black Pond	9/19/2010	1.5	0.29	1.0	epi	19	22	3	1	2	1
217	Black Pond	10/2/2010	1.4	0.25		epi	16	20	3	1	3	1

Legend Information

<i>Indicator</i>	<i>Description</i>	<i>Detection Limit</i>	<i>Standard (S) / Criteria (C)</i>
General Information			
Lnum	lake number (unique to CSLAP)		
Lname	name of lake (as it appears in the Gazetteer of NYS Lakes)		
Date	sampling date		
Field Parameters			
Zbot	lake depth at sampling point, meters (m)		
Zsd	Secchi disk transparency or clarity	0.1m	1.2m (C)
Zsamp	water sample depth (m)	0.1m	none
Tair	air temperature (C)	-10C	none
TH20	water temperature (C)	-10C	none
Laboratory Parameters			
Tot.P	total phosphorus (mg/l)	0.003 mg/l	0.020 mg/l (C)
NOx	nitrate + nitrite (mg/l)	0.01 mg/l	10 mg/l NO3 (S), 2 mg/l NO2 (S)
NH4	total ammonia (mg/l)	0.01 mg/l	2 mg/l NH4 (S)
TN	total nitrogen (mg/l)	0.01 mg/l	none
TN/TP	nitrogen to phosphorus (molar) ratio, = (TKN + NOx)*2.2/TP		none
TCOLOR	true (filtered) color (ptu, platinum color units)	1 ptu	none
pH	powers of hydrogen (S.U., standard pH units)	0.1 S.U.	6.5, 8.5 S.U. (S)
Cond25	specific conductance, corrected to 25C (umho/cm)	1 umho/cm	none
Ca	calcium (mg/l)	1 mg/l	none
Chl.a	chlorophyll a (ug/l)	0.01 ug/l	none
Fe	iron (mg/l)	0.1 mg/l	1.0 mg/l (S)
Mn	manganese (mg/l)	0.01 mg/l	0.3 mg/l (S)
As	arsenic (ug/l)	1 ug/l	10 ug/l (S)
Lake Assessment			
QA	water quality assessment, 5 point scale; 1 = crystal clear, 2 = not quite crystal clear, 3 = definite algae greenness, 4 = high algae levels, 5 = severely high algae levels		
QB	aquatic plant assessment, 5 point scale; 1 = no plants visible, 2 = plants below surface, 3 = plants at surface, 4 = plants dense at surface, 5 = surface plant coverage		
QC	recreational assessment, 5 point scale; 1 = could not be nicer, 2 = excellent, 3 = slightly impaired, 4 = substantially impaired, 5 = lake not usable		
QD	reasons for recreational assessment, 8 choices; 1 = poor water clarity, 2 = excessive weeds, 3 = too much algae, 4 = lake looks bad, 5 = poor weather, 6 = litter/surface debris, 7 = too many lake users, 8 = other		