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Appendix A. Scope of Services

Martins Pond – Assessment & Remediation

I. Purpose

Martins Pond, a Great Pond of the Commonwealth, is highly eutrophic, exhibits very high levels of phosphorus, and is on DEP's Year 2002 Integrated List of Waters as impaired by turbidity, noxious aquatic plants, metals, and exotic species. The Town of North Reading, in collaboration with DEP, the Martins Pond Association, Merrimack College, and Malcolm Pirnie Inc has initiated a program to conduct assessments of water quality, wetlands, and hydraulic conditions and to develop recommendations to address identified problems. The work of this project will build upon the work completed in Martins Pond Assessment Study by Merrimack College and Malcolm Pirnie Inc (March 2003).

The General Court of the Commonwealth has directed the Department of Environmental Protection, hereafter called DEP, through Chapter 352 of the Acts and Resolves of 2004, Section 78, to expend \$300,000 toward the assessment and remediation of Martins Pond. The Town of North Reading, hereinafter the Town, agrees to use funds received from DEP specifically for the purpose of water quality problem identification and mitigation.

II. Scope of Services

The Scope of Services for this Contract shall consist of the following tasks.

- 1) The Town will continue water quality assessment work conducted on Martins Pond by towards the goal of completing a new Diagnostic/Feasibility Study for Martins Pond and an assessment of potential Nonpoint source pollution in the Martins Pond Watershed. A D/F study conducted in 1985 by Anderson Nichols and Lycott reported low levels of total phosphorus and N/P ratios exceeding 35 that indicated phosphorus limitation. Recently collected data by Merrimack College and DEP indicate that Martins Pond has extremely high total phosphorus in some years and moderately high total phosphorus in other years which appear to be related to the color of the water. Such high levels of phosphorus suggest phosphorus is not limiting. The D/F study should focus on resolving why the tributaries and pond vary from year to year in total phosphorus and other parameters and if the high levels are due to a natural source such as wetlands or due to anthropogenic pollution.

The ten-month Diagnostic/Feasibility study will include:

- a) An introduction summarizing past studies and outlining current problems in the pond.
- b) Preparation of a Quality Assurance Project Plan (QAPP) for DEP approval that outlines sampling sites, sampling procedures, and analysis of samples.
- c) Bi-monthly (every other month) sampling from an in-lake station, and a minimum of six upstream tributary stations and at least 2 wetland sites. In addition to monthly sampling collect sets of samples during three storm events at the tributary and wetland sites. The monitoring should include nutrients (ortho and Total phosphorus, nitrate+nitrite, ammonia and TKN (or TN), TSS, turbidity, true color (PCU), Secchi transparency, chlorophyll a, and E. coli bacteria; Sampling should include a quality assurance plan with field blanks, duplicates and lab spike samples. If non-state certified laboratories are used, at least 10 percent of samples should be duplicated by a certified laboratory. At each of the sites water

- discharge should be measured and at least 2 (maximum of 6) stage recorders installed to estimate daily flows. Groundwater levels and porewater quality should be monitored in the wetland sites.
- d) Creation of a yearly phosphorus, nitrogen and hydrologic water budget. In the budget, detail how much of the phosphorus is coming from natural wetlands vs. septic systems vs. sediments, vs. other sources and detail how much is contributed by each subwatershed.
 - e) Analysis and discussion of all historic and current data to determine how does year to year changes in hydrology, groundwater levels or weather influence the concentration and export of nutrients to the lake and how does the nutrient budget change in wet vs. dry months. Modeling with SWMM or other appropriate software can be used for this task.
 - f) Delineate and describe wetland in the watershed and analyze the relationship between wetland area and export of phosphorus, iron and color from different subwatersheds.
 - g) Provide a recent macrophyte map of the lake, discuss changes in macrophyte communities since 1985 and management options including the use of recreational zoning (boat channels, swimming beach maintenance etc) and the use of benthic barriers and sediment curtains to enclose swimming areas. Include a discussion of rare or unusual species of algae or plants in the lake or bordering wetlands (e.g. moss, alder (N-fixing), duckweed, which may be adapted to the unusual nutrient and water quality conditions.
 - h) Determine how much of the light attenuation is due to true color vs algae vs suspended solids.
 - i) Determine the levels of E. coli bacteria in the pond and identify sources of bacteria in the watershed.
 - j) Review past studies of flow restrictions in Martins Brook and collect and analyze additional data on sediment depth and composition (organic matter content, grain size, and chemicals per 401 WQC for dredge spoils) in Martins Brook.
- 2) A draft D/F study will be delivered to DEP within 3 months of the final month of sampling and after addressing DEP comments will deliver 3 copies of the final D/F report to DEP within 2 months of receiving DEP comments.
 - 3) The Town will implement a series of water flow improvements including culvert cleaning, removing flow restrictions, stormwater retention, adjustment of weir elevations, and beaver dam modifications on the Skug River and Martins Brook. The Town will document these improvements in photographs and narrative description in a project summary report to DEP.
 - 4) The Town will purchase equipment such as harvester, trailer and conveyor, for use in the continued maintenance of nuisance aquatic plants. A roll-in docking system will be purchased to facilitate the access of this equipment to Martins Pond.
 - 5) The Town shall conduct pilot applications of an aquatic herbicide in enclosures to control nuisance and exotic aquatic plants and a pilot alum treatment in enclosures to study the effects of reduced release of sediment phosphorus.
 - 6) The Town shall conduct a pilot study in the Martins Pond area to identify the sources of sedimentation migration to the Pond.
 - 7) The Town will conduct public education activities including implementation of a Community Septic-system Management Program and Detergent Reduction Program. The programs will be conducted for households within 300 feet of Martins Pond or its tributaries.

- 8) The Town will conduct public outreach activities including the promotion of education for children and teenagers through other existing programs such as scouts and school activities. The Town will purchase and place signs in the watershed area as reminders of environmental issues. The Town will purchase materials to foster these programs including storm drain stencils. The public outreach program will also include discussion of a Beaver Management Plan in a public forum.
- 9) The Town will conduct long term planning and pilot a program to address beaver issues in the Skug River and Martins Brook.
- 10) The Town agrees to observe pertinent statutes, rules and regulations of the Commonwealth as pertains to procurement of subcontracts, records retention and construction.
- 11) The award of this Contract by DEP does not constitute a permit or any other approval that may be required for the implementation of the project funded by this contract. The Town shall timely obtain, and comply with, all federal, state and local permits and approvals required for the sediment control and mitigation work project.

Appendix B. Draft TMDL for Total Phosphorus for Martins Pond

Martins Pond MA92038

North Reading, MA - Ipswich River Watershed

Total Estimated Nonpoint Source Pollution loads based on GIS-based Land Use

Based on NPSLAKE Model of Mattson & Isaac (1999) - Lake Res. Manage. 15: 202-219.

Martins Pond Watershed Characteristics

Watershed Area	1994 ha
* Average Annual Water Load	12,163,400 m ³
Average Runoff	61.0 cm yr ⁻¹
Pond Area	37.2 ha
§ Areal Water Loading to Pond - q _s	32.73 m yr ⁻¹
Homes with Septic Systems Within 100 m of Pond	125 in 2006 (63 in 1979)
Other P Inputs	0.0 kg yr ⁻¹
* calculation: 0.61 m rainfall x 19,940,000 m ²	
§ calculation: 12,163,400 m ³ / 372,000 m ²	

Estimate of Annual Nonpoint Source Pollution Loads by Land Use

(based on 1979 and 2005 land use)

$$P \text{ Loading Model: } L_{ex} = 0.5 \text{ house septics} + 0.13 \text{ forest ha} + 0.3 \text{ rural ha} + 14 (\text{urban ha})^{0.5}$$

Land Use ⁺	Area '79 ha	Area '05 ha	P load '79 kg yr ⁻¹	P load '05 kg yr ⁻¹
Forest	1365.7	888.	177.5	115.5
Rural	181.7	563.5	54.5	169.1
Urban	417.6	208.8	286.1	202.3
Other Land Uses				
Water	45.1	89.8	0.0	0.0
Wetlands	37.4	299.9	0.0	0.0
Subtotal	2047	1996	518.1	486.9
Other P Inputs	NA	NA	0.0	0.0
Septic Systems	NA	NA	31.5	62.5
Total	2047	1994	549.6	549.4

⁺ MassGIS land use codes used for land use categories:

Forest: (3) Forest

Rural: (13) Low-density residential, lots > ½ acre; (1) Cropland; (2) Pasture; (6) Open Land; (7-9) Recreation; (17) Urban open; (21) Woody perennial

Urban: (10-12) Residential, lots < ½ acre; (15) Commercial; (16) Industrial; (18) Transportation; (19) Waste Disposal; (5) Mining

Summary of Martins Pond Total Phosphorus Modeling Results

	1979	2005
^a Areal P Loading ($L \text{ g m}^{-2} \text{ yr}^{-1}$)	1.5	1.48
^b Reckhow (1979) Model TP (ppb)	28.5	29.1

If all land were forested (excluding water/wetlands), total P export would be 255.5 kg yr⁻¹
Forested Condition Pond Total P would predicted to be 13.2 ppb

^a calculation: $L = \text{total loading g} / \text{pond area m}^2$
2005 - 549400 / 372000 = 1.48 g m⁻² yr⁻¹

^b Reckhow (1979) model: In-lake TP = $L / (11.6 + 1.2 q_s) * 1000$
2005 - 1.48 / (11.6 + 1.2*32.73)*1000

Note: 1979 land use data was gleaned from a 1984 D/F Study of Martins Pond; 1999 land use data was based on MassGIS® land use layers and was modified based on corrections made in the current study.

Appendix C. Water Quality Results

C.1. Temperature (°C) data collected in 2005-06. All sample results were generated using a calibrated YSI 6920-S Probe in the field. Dates marked with a * mean there were no data for that sampling date at that specific site. The probe was calibrated each day prior to use in the field.

Sampling Sites and Corresponding Sub-Watershed													
	MP1	MP3	WW6	WW5	WW4	WW3	WW2	WW1	WW-NA	WW-NB	WW-NC	WW-ND	WW-NE
Units are °C													
3/7/05	1.5	1.0	1.5	1.5	1.5	1.5	1.0	4.0	2.0	3.5	2.8	1.5	2.0
4/14/05	13.1	14.0	12.5	8.6	13.0	12.4	13.0	9.0	8.5	12.3	11.6	10.9	9.8
5/10/05	13.3	12.5	11.0	9.5	13.0	11.5	12.2	11.5	10.5	12.9	14.0	13.1	12.6
6/2/05	18.0	18.5	15.8	15	18.4	15.0	14.0	16.0	14.0	13.9	15.8	16.5	17.2
6/24/05	26.9	24.5	21.2	19.3	23.5	20.6	18.9	19.5	19.0	18.9	*	18.4	18.8
6/28/05	28.7	28.6	23.5	23.0	26.5	24.9	22.9	23.6	21.2	27.7	24.1	19.5	19.5
7/13/05	28.6	26.2	23.6	22.1	26.1	23.1	22.5	23.3	19.7	26.8	*	19.1	21.0
7/26/05	30.1	27.0	22.0	23.0	27.6	24.0	*	22.4	19.8	27.8	26.3	*	19.3
8/9/05	26.8	27.4	24.9	22.4	27.3	22.9	*	21.0	19.7	24.2	24.1	*	*
8/19/05	24.6	24.3	21.4	18.5	24.8	18.3	*	*	*	*	22.1	17.9	*
9/14/05	26.4	25.2	20.8	19.6	23.3	*	17.8	*	*	*	21.1	*	*
9/28/05	21.9	18.9	18.1	16.8	21.4	15.5	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
10/18/05	18.2	19.3	17.3	17.7	18.5	16.8	15.4	18.6	17.9	20.5	18.8	18.2	18.9
11/4/05	10.1	10.0	9.1	9.4	9.6	9.8	8.9	11.9	9.0	8.5	8.3	9.5	10.2
12/22/05	1.3	1.8	1.6	1.5	1.1	2.3	1.5	1.0	1.8	2.0	2.2	1.8	3.1
1/12/06	0.9	0.7	0.8	1.3	2.6	0.7	1.2	0.8	1.9	0.6	4.2	2.7	4.3
2/8/06	2.5	3.8	1.3	1.9	3.7	2.9	1.8	3.0	1.7	2.0	3.1	2.1	3.9
3/21/06	6.9	7.3	5.9	6.2	7.9	6.0	5.9	6.7	8.1	6.7	8.3	6.7	9.9

C.2. Conductivity (microsiemens/cm at 25°C) data collected in 2005-06. Dates marked with a * mean there was no flow and no surface water available for sampling or there was simply no valid data collected on that date at that specific site. All sample results were generated using a calibrated conductivity meter. Dates marked with a * mean there were no data for that sampling date at that specific site. The probe was calibrated each day prior to use in the field.

Sampling Sites and Corresponding Sub-Watershed													
<i>Date</i>	MP1	MP3	WW6	WW5	WW4	WW3	WW2	WW1	WW-NA	WW-NB	WW-NC	WW-ND	WW-NE
Units are $\mu\text{s}/\text{cm}$													
3/7/2005	275	279	273	277	251	302	322	107	433	72	212	325	380
4/14/2005	339	341	308	260	274	291	313	95	425	61	201	339	341
5/10/2005	305	309	265	256	246	256	205	86	430	268	189	356	344
6/2/2005	308	291	258	252	240	245	155	88	405	299	165	316	320
6/24/2005	309	282	265	250	247	241	108	99	389	320	186	314	317
7/13/2005	312	319	268	257	251	235	208	87	420	328	156	327	325
7/26/2005	305	307	232	230	245	205	142	79	418	271	198	402	337
8/9/2005	335	339	178	191	265	162	156	114	395	334	201	356	135
8/23/2005	299	308	268	267	330	267	145	101	308	310	146	224	106
9/14/2005	298	297	272	252	260	97	*	*	325	*	111	113	129
9/28/2005	311	312	272	259	250	156	129	*	289	*	152	126	158
10/14/2005	299	273	341	242	250	178	*	*	225	206	138	141	167
11/4/2005	225	250	265	195	219	166	153	151	277	169	157	125	138
12/22/2005	178	169	180	178	205	150	260	121	287	60	169	154	120
1/12/2006	285	294	266	250	*	245	165	100	404	333	82	150	349
2/8/2006	192	188	104	97	219	100	123	35	174	154	74	138	166
3/21/2006	99	102	92	92	95	107	116	36	170	140	105	140	189

QA/QC: Split samples were analyzed for each sample date. All split samples were analyzed and all values were within 2%. Known conductivity standards were also analyzed in the laboratory for each sample set and all measured values were within 3% of the known standard.

C.3. pH - All sample results were generated using a calibrated YSI 6920-S Probe in the field. Dates marked with a * mean there are no data for that sampling date. The probe was calibrated each day prior to use in the field and field checks were also utilized using known standards (4.01, 6.00 and 7.00).

Sampling Sites and Corresponding Sub-Watershed													
<i>Date</i>	MP1	MP3	WW6	WW5	WW4	WW3	WW2	WW1	WW-NA	WW-NB	WW-NC	WW-ND	WW-NE
All Values are pH Units													
1/17/2005	6.65	6.58	6.43	6.59	6.42	6.31	6.22	5.68	6.89	6.14	6.42	6.62	6.49
2/3/2005	6.68	6.52	6.42	6.63	6.51	6.53	6.35	5.79	6.98	6.15	6.39	6.75	6.52
3/7/2005	6.50	6.43	6.55	6.69	6.42	6.63	6.76	5.76	7.20	6.21	6.52	6.84	6.68
4/14/2005	6.59	6.66	6.64	6.58	6.47	6.89	6.77	5.84	7.09	6.26	6.31	6.77	6.75
5/10/2005	6.75	6.89	6.60	6.69	6.66	6.83	6.67	5.91	6.90	6.37	6.30	6.55	6.80
6/2/2005	6.43	6.46	6.43	6.47	6.33	6.47	6.32	6.09	6.75	6.55	6.41	6.58	6.50
6/24/2005	7.35	7.09	6.66	6.69	6.89	6.81	6.57	5.75	6.94	6.73	*	6.57	6.68
7/13/2005	7.11	6.97	6.65	6.63	6.65	6.76	6.64	5.57	6.54	6.08	6.56	6.34	*
7/26/2005	7.20	7.12	6.79	6.80	6.72	7.07	6.79	5.74	6.66	6.18	6.54	6.58	6.73
8/9/2005	8.71	7.00	6.88	6.85	6.81	6.89	6.69	6.20	6.64	6.04	6.78	6.34	6.94
8/23/2005	7.99	7.39	6.57	6.62	6.79	6.90	6.62	6.03	6.44	6.22	6.59	6.64	6.75
9/14/2005	7.90	7.86	6.57	6.62	6.63	6.90	6.55	*	*	*	6.51	6.65	6.82
9/28/2005	7.11	6.98	6.55	6.67	6.70		6.57	*	*	*	*	*	6.51
10/14/2005	7.59	7.30	6.80	6.96	7.37	7.14	*	*	*	*	6.50	6.62	*
11/4/2005	7.01	6.79	6.65	6.72	7.02	6.89	6.85	6.10	6.70	6.00	6.43	6.67	6.85
12/22/2005	6.61	6.68	6.58	6.62	6.71	6.77	7.06	6.12	6.99	5.93	6.48	6.52	6.73
1/12/2006	6.15	5.94	6.39	6.49	6.49	6.41	6.31	5.41	6.68	5.86	6.39	6.52	6.41
2/8/2006	6.59	6.52	6.43	6.61	6.52	6.49	6.55	5.55	6.70	5.98	6.51	6.60	6.52
3/21/2006	6.65	6.63	6.84	6.57	6.62	6.71	6.92	5.57	6.75	6.24	6.47	6.64	6.61

QA/QC: Split samples were analyzed for each sample date. All split samples were analyzed and all values were within 1%. Fisher pH standards were also analyzed in the laboratory for each sample set and all measured values were within 2% of the known standard.

C.4. Color (Platinum-Cobalt Units – PCU) - All sample results were generated using a Hach Color Test Kit Model CO-1 in the laboratory after samples were transported from the field (Method 2120B). Dates marked with an * mean there are no data for that sampling date at that specific location. Before color measurements were conducted in the laboratory, laboratory assistants first had to report color values to the QC officer using a set of blind standard solutions (ranging from 10 to 160 PCUs) before and after field samples were analyzed. Measured values of standards had to be within 10% of the standard value for the field samples results to be accepted.

Sampling Sites and Corresponding Sub-Watershed													
Date	MP1	MP3	WW6	WW5	WW4	WW3	WW2	WW1	WW-NA	WW-NB	WW-NC	WW-ND	WW-NE
Units are Platinum Cobalt Units (PCUs)													
3/7/2005	40	35	30	40	20	40	50	60	25	35	30	20	30
4/14/2005	35	30	35	20	20	30	55	100	25	30	45	35	45
5/10/2005	60	85	45	70	25	95	125	140	65	45	50	50	40
6/2/2005	70	65	60	65	20	60	75	100	40	45	60	25	30
6/24/2005	80	95	40	70	15	65	90	120	45	50	30	35	45
7/13/2005	75	80	55	80	20	80	95	125	50	65	40	35	45
7/26/2005	70	75	90	95	20	110	130	140	60	70	45	45	55
8/9/2005	45	80	70	70	25	100	125	160	40	55	50	30	35
8/23/2005	50	40	30	35	20	40	140	150	40	75	55	65	25
9/14/2005	70	85	35	35	20	50	110	150	45	70	60	70	20
9/28/2005	35	55	20	35	20	40	95	160	50	65	40	65	25
10/14/2005	35	50	45	15	20	30	60	140	80	65	45	65	20
11/4/2005	45	55	40	30	35	40	65	145	40	55	40	50	25
12/22/2005	65	65	40	40	25	20	25	160	25	60	35	40	30
1/12/2006	45	50	35	45	25	60	25	100	20	70	30	25	25
2/8/2006	40	40	35	35	30	50	30	85	20	50	25	20	25
3/21/2006	45	45	30	35	20	40	30	60	25	40	20	20	35

QA/QC: Split samples were analyzed for each sample date. All split samples were analyzed and all values were within 5%. Known color standards were also analyzed in the laboratory for each sample set and all measured values were within 8% of the known standard.

C.5. Dissolved Oxygen (mg/L) - All sample results were generated using a calibrated YSI 6920-S Probe in the field. Dates marked with an * mean there were no data for that sampling date at that specific site. The probe was calibrated each day prior to use in the field and membrane integrity was checked after each measurement.

Sampling Sites and Corresponding Sub-Watershed													
	MP1	MP3	WW6	WW5	WW4	WW3	WW2	WW1	WW-NA	WW-NB	WW-NC	WW-ND	WW-NE
Units are mg/L													
3/7/2005	11.0	10.8	11.0	10.6	11.3	10.2	10.2	8.7	12.3	6.8	6.4	7.4	10.2
4/14/2005	11.2	10.0	10.5	12.0	11.0	10.2	12.0	10.5	9.3	10.0	9.5	12.0	8.3
5/10/2005	9.4	10.5	10.0	12.0	9.3	12.0	10.0	6.0	9.2	6.3	7.1	8.9	5.1
6/2/2005	7.0	7.5	8.5	9.5	4.6	11.0	10.3	5.3	12.0	4.0	5.2	3.3	3.3
6/24/2005	6.6	6.8	0.7	0.9	4.7	11.8	1.7	1.1	0.6	0.8	3.2	0.8	0.9
6/28/2005	5.2	5.3	1.6	2.3	5.3	1.8	2.1	2.1	2.8	0.7	2.9	2.5	2.1
7/13/2005	9.4	8.6	3.6	6.0	6.3	1.8	7.8	2.7	8.6	2.6	2.1	4.8	7.1
7/26/2005	14.0	9.1	2.4	5.8	6.3	8.4	*	2.5	7.3	1.5	2.0	2.7	3.0
8/9/2005	7.3	8.3	2.2	5.1	7.3	9.6	*	1.9	6.0	2.7	3.3	2.0	*
8/19/2005	9.5	8.6	3.1	5.0	7.7	7.0	*	*	*	*	5.8	7.1	4.8
9/14/2005	8.8	7.3	1.7	4.5	8.4	*	4.5	*	*	*	*	*	*
9/28/2005	9.5	8.5	5.2	7.5	8.9	*	*	*	*	*	4.9	*	*
10/18/2005	8.7	9.2	6.1	6.2	9.3	7.7	9.8	3.6	8.5	5.2	*	6.3	4.3
11/4/2005	13.0	12.5	6.1	14.1	12.6	15.6	12.7	4.0	7.2	6.1	6.9	5.5	5.1
12/22/2005	8.5	9.5	9.6	*	9.5	12.1	9.8	5.2	6.3	5.8	6.2	6.5	6.5
1/8/2006	5.8	6.8	7.1	6.9	8.2	11.5	7.8	6.2	4.2	4.3	7.8	7.3	*
2/8/2006	9.2	7.6	6.8	7.2	10.2	15.2	9.2	5.2	8.6	4.8	*	6.9	7.3
3/21/2006	11.9	10.2	9.9	9.0	9.6	11.3	9.3	7.5	9.7	6.3	9.3	9.2	8.1

C.6. Percent Saturation of Oxygen - All sample results were generated based on results from the calibrated YSI 6920-S Probe in the field. Percent saturation was determined based on barometric pressure, water temperature and dissolved oxygen concentrations. Dates marked with a * mean there are no data for that sampling date at that specific location

Sampling Sites and Corresponding Sub-Watershed													
	MP1	MP3	WW6	WW5	WW4	WW3	WW2	WW1	WW-NA	WW-NB	WW-NC	WW-ND	WW-NE
Units are % Saturation													
3/7/2005	79	76	78	75	80	72	71	66	89	51	62	53	73
4/14/2005	86	97	98	103	105	111	114	91	79	93	79	109	73
5/10/2005	96	99	91	105	88	101	93	55	82	60	96	85	48
6/2/2005	74	80	86	94	49	117	102	53	117	39	103	34	34
6/28/2005	85	87	89	97	67	102	92	36	78	49	75	27	23
7/13/2005	108	107	43	69	79	99	91	31	95	32	65	52	80
7/26/2005	188	116	28	68	81	114	*	29	80	19	89	29	33
8/9/2005	112	105	27	59	93	82	*	22	66	33	34	22	30
8/19/2005	111	103	35	54	93	105	*	*	*	*	68	75	41
9/14/2005	110	89	19	49	100	*	48	*	*	*	*	*	*
9/28/2005	109	92	55	77	99	*	*	*	*	*	77	*	*
10/18/2005	93	100	64	65	100	70	98	39	90	58	*	67	46
11/4/2005	115	111	53	113	110	80	109	37	62	52	49	48	45
12/22/2005	95	92	63	*	91	75	95	55	89	86	89	62	43
1/8/2006	88	86	70	68	75	82	86	65	75	56	91	75	*
2/8/2006	75	79	68	75	78	82	69	78	71	42	*	74	48
3/21/2006	82	80	85	92	119	112	87	96	63	49	79	60	62

C.7. Chlorophyll-a concentration ($\mu\text{g/L}$) - All sample results were generated using a calibrated YSI 6920-S Probe in the field. Dates marked with an * mean there were no data for that sampling date at that specific location.

Sampling Sites and Corresponding Sub-Watershed													
Date	MP1	MP3	WW6	WW5	WW4	WW3	WW2	WW1	WW-NA	WW-NB	WW-NC	WW-ND	WW-NE
Units are $\mu\text{g/L}$													
3/7/2005	1.6	1.6	1.6	1.6	1.5	2.4	1.3	2.4	2.1	1.9	2.6	0.6	1.8
4/14/2005	2.3	2.2	2.0	1.1	0.9	1.9	0.8	2.7	1.3	2.1	4.1	1.2	2.4
5/10/2005	2.1	2.1	2.4	0.8	2.5	3.6	0.8	4.0	0.8	*	1.9	2.1	2.9
6/2/2005	8.9	7.4	3.5	6.1	1.8	4.1	2.3	3.9	2.9	4.7	3.8	1.3	3.6
6/28/2005	13.1	12.0	4.9	4.8	3.0	6.8	6.7	14.0	5.8	3.8	5.9	3.3	3.3
7/13/2005	12.0	11.2	5.5	5.5	2.3	9.0	7.8	13.0	6.9	11.3	8.0	6.0	4.4
7/26/2005	20.1	14.1	7.3	7.5	4.8	9.0	11.0	13.2	5.6	14.4	6.7	4.4	3.6
8/9/2005	16.5	12.0	9.5	9.7	6.1	15.4	*	17.2	9.1	11.4	10.2	3.6	5.3
8/19/2005	7.2	9.9	6.4	5.3	15.0	7.3	*	37.1	7.3	14.0	8.6	5.3	3.6
9/14/2005	8.5	12.1	3.8	3.0	2.3	3.0	*	*	*	*	6.1	3.6	2.0
9/28/2005	11.1	6.9	2.9	1.7	2.3	*	11.0	*	*	*	*	*	*
10/18/2005	7.6	8.8	4.2	2.3	1.9	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
11/4/2005	7.9	2.6	5.1	3.0	2.2	3.1	7.5	8.9	4.1	5.0	3.9	3.1	4.2
12/22/2005	3.0	3.7	6.0	4.8	2.5	3.4	5.0	10.5	3.6	7.1	6.1	2.1	3.4
1/12/2006	4.0	4.5	4.5	5.6	6.5	5.1	16.0	8.3	10.6	3.9	4.3	5.0	13.5
2/8/2006	5.6	1.9	5.0	4.2	3.7	4.9	9.0	8.0	8.6	11.5	*	3.4	3.7
3/21/2006	2.5	1.6	2.5	1.9	1.9	2.5	2.6	1.6	2.9	2.5	3.1	2.1	2.0

C.8. Turbidity (NTU) – All sample results were generated using a Hach 2100 N Tubidimeter at Merrimack College after samples were transported to the laboratory (EPA Method 180.1). Dates marked with an * mean there were no data for that sampling date at that specific location.

Sampling Sites and Corresponding Sub-Watershed													
<i>Date</i>	MP1	MP3	WW6	WW5	WW4	WW3	WW2	WW1	WW-NA	WW-NB	WW-NC	WW-ND	WW-NE
All Values are NTUs													
3/7/2005	0.99	1.08	1.58	2.98	0.34	1.91	1.30	1.60	1.32	0.99	1.23	3.25	3.25
4/14/2005	0.46	0.30	0.99	2.55	0.29	0.43	0.62	0.63	1.68	0.56	0.97	2.64	4.09
5/10/2005	1.02	0.96	1.65	1.47	0.43	1.25	0.95	0.59	2.30	1.02	0.65	1.09	3.77
6/2/2005	1.50	1.24	1.55	2.47	0.96	1.17	0.90	1.50	3.9	1.46	1.23	2.8	4.05
6/24/2005	6.30	2.69	8.70	5.69	0.59	2.28	1.73	1.21	2.54	1.85	1.24	5.75	4.57
7/13/2005	4.36	3.99	6.58	5.57	0.58	2.01	1.59	0.94	3.20	1.95	1.33	2.91	5.02
7/26/2005	14.35	13.02	3.65	8.61	1.28	4.18	6.05	5.21	13.25	4.08	*	19.50	4.89
8/9/2005	16.23	15.92	2.80	7.68	2.15	3.36	4.12	4.30	8.40	6.05	1.56	22.10	4.91
8/23/2005	6.98	7.12	2.01	7.00	1.09	3.25	3.56	2.56	6.58	3.58	1.72	12.56	7.24
9/14/2005	5.84	8.02	1.40	7.43	0.70	5.31	7.86	6.25	*	*	1.42	*	*
9/28/2005	2.46	3.45	1.78	1.60	1.06	4.84	3.56	15.10	12.20	2.01	*	3.10	6.29
10/14/2005	4.85	5.69	5.23	9.23	2.22	6.34	2.58	14.56	*	1.18	3.56	5.02	11.25
11/4/2005	3.29	2.31	1.61	2.04	1.07	2.08	1.48	17.10	1.08	1.84	2.69	*	*
12/22/2005	0.92	1.15	1.23	1.41	1.11	1.40	2.05	1.33	1.62	1.71	1.02	3.96	4.00
1/12/2006	0.84	0.73	1.22	1.55	0.95	2.00	1.56	1.28	*	1.59	2.00	*	*
2/8/2006	1.08	1.18	1.52	1.92	1.03	2.89	0.92	1.83	1.23	1.63	1.28	4.95	3.69
3/21/2006	0.65	1.06	6.14	11.30	0.43	0.84	1.02	0.72	1.18	1.32	0.26	4.20	3.21

QA/QC: Split samples were analyzed for each sample date. All split samples were analyzed and all values were within 6%. Known color standards were also analyzed in the laboratory for each sample set and all measured values were within 4% of the known standard.

C.9. Sulfate – (SO₄²⁻ - mg/L) - All sample results were generated using a Dionex ICS-90 Ion Chromatograph at Merrimack College after samples were transported to the laboratory. Dates marked with a * mean there are no data for that sampling date at that specific location.

Sampling Sites and Corresponding Sub-Watershed													
<i>Date</i>	MP1	MP3	WW6	WW5	WW4	WW3	WW2	WW1	WW-NA	WW-NB	WW-NC	WW-ND	WW-NE
Units are mg/L													
3/7/2005	9.2	9.0	9.6	9.6	9.1	10.7	11.3	4.5	13.5	10.8	3.5	13.8	15.2
4/14/2005	8.9	9.0	9.2	9.1	6.4	10.2	10.5	5.2	5.4	10.9	4.1	12.6	14.8
5/10/2005	8.1	8.2	7.4	8.5	6.8	8.5	7.8	5.2	13.7	11.9	5.3	12.5	14.2
6/2/2005	6.5	6.4	7.4	7.7	6.9	7.2	7.7	4.9	13.5	13.4	4.8	11.8	11.9
6/24/2005	5.6	5.3	6.5	7.1	6.0	6.2	6.7	4.2	9.8	8.9	5.1	10.4	12.8
7/13/2005	5.6	5.1	4.8	5.8	5.6	4.9	4.3	2.8	11.4	4.4	4.3	6.2	13.8
7/26/2005	8.4	4.8	3.9	4.9	5.4	3.6	7.4	2.0	4.1	3.1	4.2	11.0	15.4
8/9/2005	4.9	5.0	0.3	7.1	5.1	4.8	3.5	1.6	11.0	2.9	5.0	9.9	15.7
8/23/2005	5.2	5.2	7.7	0.2	5.7	8.3	3.4	1.2	9.5	3.6	4.7	5.1	19.1
9/14/2005	5.2	5.0	8.2	7.9	5.3	8.8	5.6	0.9	9.0	2.1	4.8	9.1	0.0
9/28/2005	5.1	5.2	10.0	7.6	5.5	14.2	6.2	3.4	7.9	10.1	5.6	11.1	17.4
10/14/2005	8.1	8.6	13.6	11.7	5.9	6.9	9.8	4.9	19.2	13.7	7.5	11.9	17.5
11/4/2005	17.6	17.5	19.7	19.6	5.8	5.5	27.8	8.9	25.9	14.3	8.2	13.2	21.7
12/22/2005	10.9	11.8	12.3	12.0	6.3	13.8	19.3	9.7	20.0	10.7	8.6	12.0	17.7
1/12/2006	15.6	14.5	11.9	11.1	7.5	12.3	17.8	7.5	18.3	10.8	9.6	10.6	16.1
2/8/2006	11.0	10.1	9.6	10.8	7.6	11.0	14.0	6.2	17.2	14.3	6.5	13.1	15.0
3/21/2006	12.3	11.6	12.9	12.7	8.7	11.2	12.3	4.5	17.9	11.7	4.0	12.9	16.8

C.10. Chloride (mg/L) - All sample results were generated using a Dionex ICS-90 Ion Chromatograph at Merrimack College after samples were transported to the laboratory (EPA Method 300.0). Dates marked with an * mean there were no data for that sampling date at that specific location.

Sampling Sites and Corresponding Sub-Watershed													
<i>Date</i>	MP1	MP3	WW6	WW5	WW4	WW3	WW2	WW1	WW-NA	WW-NB	WW-NC	WW-ND	WW-NE
Units are mg/L													
3/7/2005	63.4	65.5	63.1	57.5	83.3	68.9	73.2	15.6	85.2	79.8	18.2	82.3	89.5
4/14/2005	87.5	86.3	70.8	78.2	70.5	73.2	79.5	16.6	8.5	102.3	19.6	85.6	69.9
5/10/2005	89.6	90.9	58.6	71.9	76.3	73.4	55.0	18.4	130.2	116.1	24.6	89.1	91.1
6/2/2005	23.9	19.2	19.1	17.8	22.8	13.9	12.5	4.5	36.8	26.6	5.5	25.2	32.1
6/24/2005	25.6	23.8	22.5	21.4	22.5	21.1	18.0	7.0	35.3	28.5	16.8	26.4	25.3
7/13/2005	24.8	25.3	18.6	18.9	23.0	15.9	10.1	4.2	39.5	22.3	18.9	27.1	26.7
7/26/2005	26.4	26.3	13.3	14.6	20.0	11.6	25.7	5.6	36.8	28.4	25.1	79.2	28.9
8/9/2005	26.7	26.6	11.1	24.3	29.6	23.9	7.0	5.5	24.1	34.7	19.0	33.8	29.2
8/23/2005	26.4	26.0	25.0	24.2	24.4	15.0	15.8	5.0	30.0	25.8	13.7	80.7	29.5
9/14/2005	53.4	53.9	29.6	51.1	49.9	14.2	20.4	6.8	28.4	23.1	27.1	72.2	33.7
9/28/2005	31.1	31.8	39.1	27.4	29.0	15.8	25.8	7.7	11.1	22.8	28.2	73.7	31.6
10/14/2005	28.5	28.6	48.0	23.5	24.7	20.3	30.5	12.5	29.8	20.2	17.8	67.2	45.6
11/4/2005	23.2	22.4	67.3	23.7	25.6	24.0	38.3	18.3	41.7	16.9	15.3	72.5	79.6
12/22/2005	61.3	64.4	54.2	51.3	42.5	65.3	44.6	19.2	96.1	82.4	28.9	80.9	78.6
1/12/2006	54.7	52.9	53.7	55.0	56.1	68.7	56.9	14.8	102.8	85.6	31.5	71.9	88.0
2/8/2006	50.8	54.3	60.9	58.2	61.7	68.2	75.7	10.7	126.5	87.3	43.2	69.8	96.9
2/23/2006	66.7	69.8	72.0	63.9	61.9	65.3	67.3	11.5	79.8	86.4	39.5	91.6	92.4
3/21/2006	95.3	106.0	78.4	75.4	70.3	71.5	65.8	12.8	115.4	99.7	24.3	81.2	90.5

C.11. Nitrate (mg/L) - All sample results were generated using a Dionex ICS-90 Ion Chromatograph at Merrimack College after samples were transported to the laboratory (EPA Method 300.0). Dates marked with an * mean there were no data for that sampling date at that specific location.

Sampling Sites and Corresponding Sub-Watershed													
<i>Date</i>	MP1	MP3	WW6	WW5	WW4	WW3	WW2	WW1	WW-NA	WW-NB	WW-NC	WW-ND	WW-NE
Units are mg/L													
3/7/2005	3.01	2.99	2.36	2.86	1.76	2.21	3.22	0.25	5.46	2.28	2.69	12.16	14.56
4/14/2005	1.46	1.49	1.88	1.56	0.56	1.27	1.82	0.30	0.74	0.69	0.89	3.25	9.85
5/10/2005	0.65	0.58	0.94	1.84	0.14	0.91	1.27	0.34	3.10	2.12	0.02	7.26	13.45
6/2/2005	0.85	0.57	1.02	1.16	0.02	0.70	0.95	0.02	2.57	8.36	0.02	6.83	6.16
6/24/2005	0.13	0.19	1.71	1.85	0.09	0.72	0.85	0.25	1.20	7.25	0.02	5.38	7.02
7/13/2005	0.11	0.17	1.77	2.03	0.02	0.86	1.72	0.12	1.45	1.49	0.36	6.52	7.82
7/26/2005	0.08	0.09	0.79	1.65	0.02	0.69	0.77	0.02	2.07	0.02	0.92	1.36	7.76
8/9/2005	0.02	0.02	0.26	1.76	0.06	0.87	2.97	0.02	1.31	0.02	0.06	0.86	8.73
8/23/2005	0.02	0.02	0.02	1.81	0.02	1.98	0.75	0.02	1.80	0.02	0.02	0.37	4.60
9/14/2005	0.05	0.02	0.21	2.56	0.02	5.32	1.58	2.13	2.36	0.16	0.02	1.11	10.00
9/28/2005	0.10	0.09	0.51	2.98	0.17	1.34	3.53	1.99	6.80	0.29	0.02	6.23	8.37
10/14/2005	0.22	0.07	0.54	2.92	0.13	1.72	2.67	0.34	7.57	0.94	0.67	13.79	9.58
11/4/2005	1.23	1.16	1.23	2.06	1.19	0.98	3.08	0.98	6.03	1.02	1.21	2.13	7.24
12/22/2005	1.99	0.91	1.61	1.98	0.15	0.42	2.79	3.07	4.29	1.25	0.96	1.58	5.13
1/12/2006	2.01	2.04	2.67	3.00	0.26	2.89	2.15	1.41	7.37	1.92	0.68	4.12	8.74
2/8/2006	2.68	3.12	2.53	2.61	0.78	1.96	2.54	1.20	6.57	3.58	1.19	3.29	6.58
2/23/2006	4.75	5.40	2.12	2.43	0.65	2.38	3.96	0.02	5.78	9.04	1.65	6.23	18.15
3/21/2006	2.36	1.80	2.81	2.84	0.53	1.02	3.21	0.02	4.32	0.13	2.28	9.65	9.47

C.12. Total N (mg/L) - All sample results were generated using a Cd-Reduction Method at Merrimack College after samples were transported to the laboratory (Standard Method 4500-N C). Dates marked with an * mean there were no data for that sampling date at that specific location.

Sampling Sites and Corresponding Sub-Watershed													
<i>Date</i>	MP1	MP3	WW6	WW5	WW4	WW3	WW2	WW1	WW-NA	WW-NB	WW-NC	WW-ND	WW-NE
Units are mg/L													
3/7/2005	*	3.360	3.240	2.140	2.250	3.170	2.510	1.290	14.800	*	*	16.400	*
4/14/2005	*	5.120	*	*	*	3.780	*	*	*	*	*	2.250	*
5/10/2005	*	3.740	*	3.430	4.230	0.570	*	1.340	6.910	3.980	1.580	11.720	23.420
6/2/2005	1.930	*	1.650	2.270	*	2.330	1.950	1.380	12.700	14.590	1.510	9.810	*
6/24/2005	0.580	0.390	3.510	14.610	1.890	*	*	0.390	*	*	*	*	*
7/13/2005	*	0.730	2.670	21.680	0.710	3.080	2.780	0.750	4.660	7.600	*	3.680	2.290
7/26/2005	*	0.950	0.470	3.670	*	0.680	6.390	0.770	4.100	1.630	*	2.450	10.690
8/9/2005	*	10.600	*	*	*	*	*	*	7.340	1.140	*	2.360	*
8/23/2005	0.380	3.030	2.640	9.860	0.820	16.220	*	*	*	*	*	13.170	*
9/14/2005	0.680	0.410	1.760	25.470	0.610	*	8.710	1.620	*	*	*	*	*
9/28/2005	0.680	1.120	0.670	9.110	5.540	1.850	*	0.560	1.690	*	*	15.300	14.690
10/14/2005	*	2.130	*	*	*	*	*	1.123	*	*	*	*	*
11/4/2005	*	1.265	4.473	*	*	0.993	*	*	8.49	0.720	*	*	1.265
12/22/2005	*	3.576	2.755	2.093	*	5.474	*	*	5.281	2.611	*	*	3.576
1/12/2006	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
2/8/2006	*	6.912	0.728	6.215	1.646	4.924	2.652	0.492	6.309	13.375	*	14.140	6.304
2/23/2006	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
3/21/2006	2.839	1.812	4.191	2.383	1.143	1.972	*	0.252	9.386	0.768	*	*	1.812

C.13. Total P (mg/L) – Surface water samples were analyzed for total P using digestion (Method 4500-PB.5) and colorimetric determination of P (Method 4500-PE) as outlined in APHA (1998). A total of 271 samples were analyzed at quantitative chemistry facilities at Merrimack College. Fifty (50) duplicate samples were analyzed at the UMass Environmental Analysis Laboratory in Amherst, MA. This represents 18.5% of all samples (the Scope of Services noted that 10% of samples collected should be duplicated and run at another certified laboratory). The duplicated sample results are highlighted in yellow below their split sample and beneath that the % difference between Merrimack College results and UMass EAL results are shown. Dates marked with an * means there were no samples or there are no valid data for that sampling date at that specific location.

Sampling Sites and Corresponding Sub-Watershed													
Date	MP1	MP3	WW6	WW5	WW4	WW3	WW2	WW1	WW-NA	WW-NB	WW-NC	WW-ND	WW-NE
Units are mg/L													
3/7/2005	0.015	0.018	0.021	0.015	0.007	0.012	0.020	0.025	0.003	0.011	0.009	*	0.007
4/14/2005	0.019	0.023	0.025	0.019	0.014	0.022	0.035	0.029	0.026	0.018	0.011	0.039	0.014
5/10/2005	0.011	0.011	0.030	0.023	0.005	0.020	0.032	0.035	0.080	0.026	0.036	0.020	0.005
<i>UMass EAL</i>	<i>0.012</i>		<i>0.032</i>			<i>0.023</i>		<i>0.038</i>		<i>0.022</i>			<i>0.005</i>
% difference	9.1		6.7			15.0		8.6		15.2			0.0
6/2/2005	0.093	0.035	0.048	0.044	0.031	0.055	0.100	0.103	0.094	0.065	0.056	0.052	0.031
6/8/2005	*	0.034	.058	.056	.019	.0054	*	0.133	0.112	*	*	0.050	0.050
<i>UMass EAL</i>	<i>*</i>	<i>0.032</i>	<i>0.060</i>	<i>0.052</i>	<i>0.022</i>	<i>0.054</i>	<i>*</i>	<i>0.135</i>	<i>0.107</i>	<i>*</i>	<i>*</i>	<i>0.046</i>	<i>0.050</i>
% difference		5.9	3.4	7.1	15.8	0.0		0.1	4.5			8.0	0.0
6/24/2005	0.072	0.051	0.081	0.093	0.026	0.084	0.095	0.165	0.111	0.125	0.071	0.082	*
7/13/2005	0.059	0.062	0.082	0.057	0.032	0.028	0.099	0.177	0.097	0.258	0.058	0.098	0.045
7/26/2005	0.079	0.085	0.109	0.115	0.045	0.012	0.166	0.192	*	0.123	*	*	0.029
8/9/2005	0.088	0.090	0.050	0.061	0.041	0.093	0.158	0.350	0.081	0.103	0.042	0.032	0.047
<i>UMass EAL</i>						<i>0.091</i>	<i>0.160</i>	<i>0.350</i>					<i>0.050</i>
% difference						2.2	1.3	0.0					6.4
8/23/2005	0.080	0.140	0.033	0.042	0.012	0.070	0.144	0.263	0.101	0.124	0.021	0.042	0.014
<i>UMass EAL</i>	<i>0.082</i>	<i>0.137</i>	<i>0.033</i>	<i>0.045</i>	<i>0.014</i>	<i>0.071</i>	<i>*</i>	<i>*</i>	<i>*</i>	<i>*</i>	<i>*</i>	<i>0.050</i>	<i>*</i>
% difference	2.5	2.1	0.0	7.1	16.7	1.4						19.0	
9/14/2005	0.091	0.091	0.026	0.043	0.003	0.114	0.151	0.192	0.097	0.057	0.128	0.046	0.003
9/28/2005	0.093	0.090	0.034	0.048	0.002	0.398	0.145	0.266	0.083	0.101	0.234	0.045	0.002
<i>UMass EAL</i>	<i>0.095</i>	<i>0.090</i>	<i>0.033</i>	<i>0.045</i>	<i>0.002</i>	<i>0.389</i>	<i>0.146</i>	<i>0.261</i>	<i>0.080</i>	<i>0.099</i>	<i>0.238</i>	<i>0.042</i>	<i>0.003</i>
% difference	2.2	0.0	2.9	6.3	0.0	2.3	0.7	1.9	3.6	2.0	1.7	6.7	50.0
10/14/2005	0.062	0.023	0.029	0.033	0.019	0.169	0.157	0.209	0.045	*	0.113	0.033	0.012
11/4/2005	0.048	0.048	0.034	0.027	0.008	0.022	0.026	0.212	0.039	0.045	0.020	0.027	0.005
<i>UMass EAL</i>		<i>0.045</i>		<i>0.025</i>		<i>0.022</i>		<i>0.215</i>	<i>0.035</i>			<i>0.025</i>	
% difference		6.3		7.4		0.0		1.4	10.3			7.4	
12/22/2005	0.031	0.029	0.028	0.291	0.012	0.052	0.031	0.095	0.026	0.057	0.013	0.027	0.009
<i>UMass EAL</i>				<i>0.289</i>		<i>0.050</i>		<i>0.089</i>		<i>0.055</i>			<i>0.009</i>
% difference				0.7		3.8		6.3		3.5			0.0
1/12/2006	0.020	0.021	0.021	0.102	0.023	0.231	0.098	0.059	0.020	*	0.021	0.022	*
2/8/2006	0.011	0.010	0.010	0.040	0.013	0.757	0.123	0.054	0.012	0.014	*	0.011	0.013
2/23/2006	0.014	0.013	0.022	0.019	0.009	0.321	0.029	0.031	0.003	0.011	0.009	0.019	0.007
3/21/2006	0.015	0.018	0.021	0.015	0.007	0.012	0.020	0.025	0.026	0.018	0.011	0.026	0.014

Previous Sampling Validation of Merrimack College Samples

Sampler	Date	Location	Total P mg/L
DEP	7/15/04	Gray Road (WW-1)	0.120
Merrimack	7/15/04	Gray Road (WW-1)	0.123
DEP	7/15/04	Route 28 (WW-6)	0.080
Merrimack	7/15/04	Route 28 (WW-6)	0.076
DEP	9/2/04	Central Street (WW-5)	0.055
Merrimack	9/2/04	Central Street (WW-5)	0.059
DEP	9/2/04	Route 28 (WW-6)	0.070
Merrimack	9/2/04	Route 28 (WW-6)	0.062
DEP	9/2/04	Harold Parker Road (WW-3)	0.065
Merrimack	9/2/04	Harold Parker Road (WW-3)	0.065

Appendix D. Surface Water Quality Standards for Class B Waters in Massachusetts

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(3) Inland Water Classes:

(b) Class B - These waters are designated as a habitat for fish, other aquatic life, and wildlife, and for primary and secondary contact recreation. Where designated they shall be suitable as a source of public water supply with appropriate treatment. They shall be suitable for irrigation and other agricultural uses and for compatible industrial cooling and process uses. These waters shall have consistently good aesthetic value.

1. Dissolved Oxygen

- a. Shall not be less than 6.0 mg/L in cold water fisheries nor less than 5.0 mg/L in warm water fisheries unless background conditions are lower;
- b. natural seasonal and daily variations above these levels shall be maintained; levels shall not be lowered below 75% of saturation in cold water fisheries nor 60% of saturation in warm water fisheries due to a discharge; and
- c. site-specific criteria may apply where background levels are lower than specified levels, to the hypolimnion of stratified lakes or where the Department determines that designated uses are not impaired.

2. Temperature -

- a. Shall not exceed 68°F (20°C) in cold water fisheries nor 83°F (28.3°C) in warm water fisheries, and the rise in temperature due to a discharge shall not exceed 3°F (1.7°C) in rivers and streams designated as cold water fisheries nor 5°F (2.8°C) in rivers and streams designated as warm water fisheries (based on the minimum expected flow for the month); in lakes and ponds the rise shall not exceed 3°F (1.7°C) in the epilimnion (based on the monthly average of maximum daily temperature); and
- b. natural seasonal and daily variations shall be maintained. There shall be no changes from background conditions that would impair any use assigned to this Class, including site-specific limits necessary to protect normal species diversity, successful migration, reproductive functions or growth of aquatic organisms.

3. pH - Shall be in the range of 6.5 through 8.3 standard units and not more than 0.5 units outside of the background range. There shall be no change from background conditions that would impair any use assigned to this Class.

4. Fecal Coliform Bacteria - Shall not exceed a geometric mean of 200 organisms per 100 ml in any representative set of samples nor shall more than 10% of the samples exceed 400 organisms per 100 ml. This criterion may be applied on a seasonal basis at the discretion of the Department.

5. Solids - These waters shall be free from floating, suspended and settleable solids in concentrations and combinations that would impair any use assigned to this Class, that would cause aesthetically objectionable conditions, or that would impair the benthic biota or degrade the chemical composition of the bottom.

6. Color and Turbidity - These waters shall be free from color and turbidity in concentrations or combinations that are aesthetically objectionable or would impair any use assigned to this Class.

7. Oil and Grease - These waters shall be free from oil, grease and petrochemicals that produce a visible film on the surface of the water, impart an oily taste to the water or an oily or other

undesirable taste to the edible portions of aquatic life, coat the banks or bottom of the water course, or are deleterious or become toxic to aquatic life.

8. Taste and Odor - None in such concentrations or combinations that are aesthetically objectionable, that would impair any use assigned to this Class, or that would cause tainting or undesirable flavors in the edible portions of aquatic life.

Appendix E. Harvesting Summary Report from ACT



February 13, 2006

Mr. Michael Soraghan, Town Engineer
Town of North Reading
235 North Street
North Reading, MA 01864

Re: 2005 Project Completion Report for Harvesting Project on Martin's Pond

Dear Mr. Soraghan

Please accept this as our 2005 Project Completion Report for the mechanical harvesting project at Martin's Pond.

Summary of 2005 Project

The focus of the 2005 harvesting effort was to remove dense beds of fanwort (*Cabomba caroliniana*) a non-native and highly invasive aquatic plant infesting Martin's Pond. It was hoped that the harvesting project would provide season long control of fanwort. This would improve access for riparian owners and users. It was also hoped that carefully removing the plant biomass would eliminate a source of plant fragments that could potentially spread this infestation. Finally, the harvesting would help facilitate studies of long-term fanwort control strategies being conducted by Dr. Jon Lyon at Merrimack College.

The harvesting project was scheduled to occur during the week of July 11, 2005. The contract called for the work to be completed during the month of July. It was hoped that a July harvest would remove the plants before they reached their peak biomass, but be late enough in the growing season that it would provide summer long plant control. Immediately prior to arriving on site, we received a Proposed Harvesting Area Map and a Fanwort Distribution Map for June 2005 from Dr. Jon Lyon. Four priority areas were delineated on the map.

Area A	2.2 acres	northwest shoreline
Area B	2.7 acres	north-central shoreline
Area C	1.8 acres	northeast shoreline
Area D	2.1 acres	southern shoreline
TOTAL	8.8 acres	

We were directed to harvest the priority areas first and remaining time could be expended on harvesting more widely scattered fanwort growth found in other sections of the littoral zone. The harvesting was completed using our Aqua Marine H7-400 Harvester. The machine cuts a 7 foot wide by 7 foot deep

swath and stores the harvested vegetation in a 400 cubic foot storage area. Once the storage area was full, the harvester traveled back to the boat ramp located on the northeast shoreline and offloaded the harvested vegetation. A 100 foot long section of fragment barrier was installed in the water at the off-loading area to help contain any plant fragments that fell back into the water during the offloading procedure.

The harvester operated for a total of 32 hours between July 11th and July 15th. This allowed for each priority area to be harvested at least twice and a single pass was made trying to collect visible fanwort growth in the remainder of the littoral zone. The fanwort density was reportedly lower than what had been observed in previous years. This increased harvesting efficiency because offloading was not required as frequently as anticipated, which translated into more harvesting time and less travel time. After 32 hours it was mutually agreed to stop the harvesting. The Contract provided for an expenditure of \$13,450 in 2005 to harvest for 60 hours plus equipment mobilization. For the 32 hour harvesting project we billed the Town a total of \$6,620 in 2005.

Recommendations for 2006 Project

From an operational standpoint, the 2005 project appeared to run smoothly. We do not see any obvious reasons to alter the scope of work in 2006, but we would be interested to hear if the Town, the Martin's Pond Association or Dr. Jon Lyon at Merrimack College has any suggestions in this regards. Hopefully the reduced fanwort densities provided some real cost savings for the Town.

We trust you were satisfied with the 2005 project and we look forward to working with the Town again in 2006. Please do not hesitate to contact us if you have any questions or would like additional information.

Sincerely,

AQUATIC CONTROL TECHNOLOGY, INC.

Marc Bellaud
Senior Biologist

Appendix F. Summary of Recommendations from the 2003 Lakes and Ponds Grant

The following is a list of recommendations from the Martins Pond Assessment Study Final Report (a Lakes and Pond Study Report) submitted by Merrimack College and Malcolm Pirnie Engineers in January 2003. These recommendations were incorporated into the design and implementation of the current study.

Summary of Recommendations

Loosestrife and Wetland Assessment Recommendations

- Develop a program to monitor purple loosestrife in the Martins Brook wetland for the next 2-3 years to assess changes in purple loosestrife density, cover, biomass and herbivory attributed to *Galerucella sp.* beetles.
- In addition, wetland vegetation assessments should continue to monitor changes in the abundance and frequency of native wetland species, to determine if their cover increased as purple loosestrife begins to diminish.
- Monitoring of *Galerucella sp.* beetle's herbivory patterns should be implemented to track the migration of the beetles to other areas of the wetland. Tracking the migration will also add valuable information for any subsequent releases that may occur.
- Immediate assessment of beetle populations in late spring 2003 at the onset of emergence from the dormant stage. This needs to be done to ensure that the previous population was able to produce a viable offspring which can continue the cycle in the fall of 2003.
- A second release may be necessary to supplement the existing population and to ensure the existence of a healthy population of beetles in the wetland.
- Patience is needed; the beetles need time to do their job. It should be noted that noticeable results may not be seen for several years. Project leaders must remain focused on controlling purple loosestrife and determined to guide the project to its end. Purple loosestrife first has to be stopped from spreading before it can be controlled.

Martins Pond Assessment Recommendations

- Re-sample the macrophyte vegetation in 2003 to assess any temporal changes in macrophyte distribution and abundance.
- Any exotic plant control measures should be conducted on a pilot-study basis rather than pond-wide. Any plant control measures should be conducted on a small-scale to ensure the results of control measures, both intended and unintended, match management goals.
- High turbidity is currently limiting the extent of aquatic plant growth. Efforts to reduce any of the components of turbidity (tannins, algal biomass, total suspended solids) could increase light penetration and result in dramatic increases in the extent of aquatic plant (macrophyte) growth in the littoral zone. Smaller-scale, pilot-studies to reduce turbidity should be conducted and results used to guide pond-wide efforts. There are no quick fixes; all management actions have consequences that need to be monitored and assessed to ensure they match management goals.
- Additional detailed mapping of the ponds sediments, including sediment depths, are needed to address siltation and sedimentation rates in the pond.

Water Quality Recommendations

- Support and continue monitoring water quality (including total P) in Martins Pond and upstream along the Skug River through June 2003. A full year of water quality data is needed to assess seasonal changes in water quality in Martins Pond. Additional sampling sites upstream are also needed to identify the source(s) of high P levels in waters entering Martins Pond.
- Continue monitoring total and fecal coliform levels in Martins Pond and upstream along the Skug River until June 2003. A full year of coliform data is needed to assess seasonal changes in coliform in Martins Pond and the Skug River. Additional sampling sites upstream are also needed to identify the source(s) of high coliform levels in waters entering Martins Pond.
- Support combining water quality data with flow data to develop nutrient budgets for Martins Pond. This approach is needed to facilitate development of TMDL's for the pond. Financial support for this effort is needed to begin the process of addressing water quality concerns in Martins Pond and the Martins Pond watershed.
- Conduct a sediment study along Martins Brook from Martins Pond outlet past Route 62 to assess sediment composition and chemistry prior to any potential stream channel modifications.
- Develop a water quality monitoring network from members of the Martins Pond Association to track the newly installed water level gauges in and around Martins Pond, Skug River and Martins Brook.
- Link water quality monitoring with water quality efforts in the Ipswich River watershed. Understanding and addressing the linkages between the Martins Pond watershed, Martins Pond, Martins Brook and the Ipswich River is required, especially in the formation of TMDL's for Martins Pond.
- Swimming in Martins Pond is not advised – especially after rainfall events. Total and fecal coliform spike after rain events and residents around the pond should be fully aware of the potential health risks of swimming under these poor water conditions.

Fanwort: An Invasive Aquatic Plant

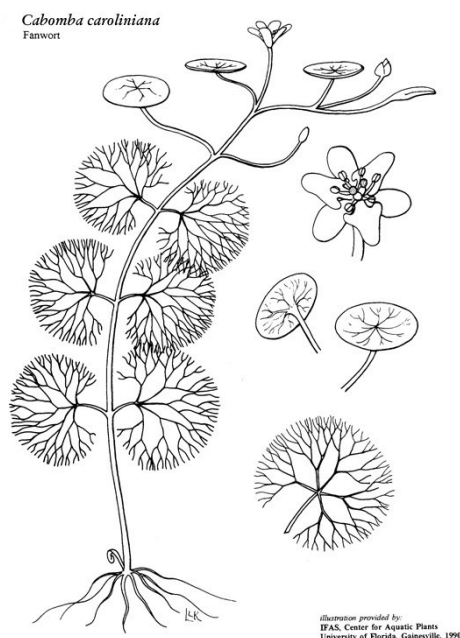
Cabomba caroliniana



Description

- Fanwort is a submerged invasive aquatic plant that can form dense mats at the water surface.
- The delicate green underwater leaves are fan-like and average 2 inches across. Leaves are arranged in opposite pairs on the stem. Small oval floating leaves are occasionally present.
- Small diamond-shaped floating leaves with the stem attached in the center may develop.
- Tubular stems can attain lengths of 6 feet.
- The white or cream flowers are ½” wide and form during May through September; however, some variations of Fanwort have pinkish or purplish flowers.

Fanwort



Habitat

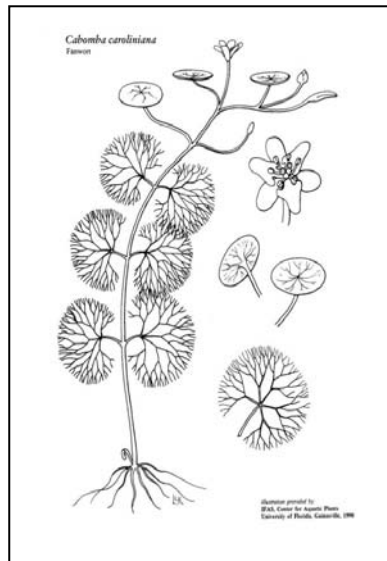
Fanwort is a very hardy and persistent species that has established itself in a wide range of aquatic habitats. Fanwort is native to southern United States, but is non-native in northern regions.

- Over-winters in the frozen lakes of northern climates and can thrive in warm southern water bodies.
- Grows under a wide range of water chemistry conditions and can be found in both oligotrophic (low nutrient) and eutrophic (nutrient rich) lakes. Fanwort can tolerate a wide range of temperature and pH.
- Prefers slow moving waters, including lakes and ponds, but occasionally can be found in rivers.

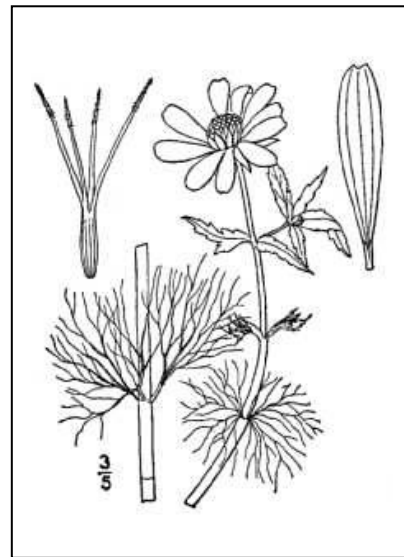
Other Information

- Fanwort is on the Massachusetts Prohibited Plant List (as of January 1, 2006).
- Fanwort was first discovered in 1930 in Hatfield, MA. Since then, despite management efforts, Fanwort has spread throughout most of New England. Due to its delicate appearance Fanwort is still in high demand at pet stores, aquarium dealers and over the Internet.
- Informational websites:
<http://aquat1.ifas.ufl.edu/welcome.html> (Center for Aquatic Invasive Species, Florida)
www.ccy.wa.gov/programs/wq/plants/weeds/cabomba.html (Washington State Ecology Dept.)
www.ProtectYourWaters.net (Aquatic Nuisance Species national web site)
- Fanwort is often confused with the native Water Buttercup (*Ranunculus*) and Water Marigold (*Megalodonta beckii*). (see drawing below)
-Water Buttercup has leaves that are arranged singly on the stem, not in opposite pairs.
-Water Marigold has opposite leaves that attach directly to the stem with no petiole between the leaf and stem.

Fanwort compared to native Water Marigold



Fanwort



Water Marigold

References:

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<http://plants.ifas.ufl.edu/cacapic.html> (Center for Aquatic and Invasive Species)
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- 2) Photographs were obtained from:
Kerry Dressler 1996 (cover photograph)
<http://aquat1.ifas.ufl.edu/> (line drawing of Fanwort)
http://plants.usda.gov/cgi_bin/plant_profile.cgi?symbol=MEBE2
(Line drawing of Water Buttercup from USDA Plant Profile website)
- 3) The distribution map was taken from:
<http://plants.ifas.ufl.edu/cacapic.html> (Center for Aquatic and Invasive Species)

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