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Introduction

In 2001, Clallam County established a shellfish protection district named the Sequim-Dungeness Clean Water District (District, or CWD) by adopting Chapter 27.16 of Clallam County Code (CCC). A map of the CWD is in Appendix A. The boundaries of the District include “The Dungeness Watershed and those waters influenced by it through the irrigation system, and other independent tributaries to the Strait of Juan de Fuca, from Bagley Creek east to and including the Sequim Bay Watershed.” (The boundaries of the District generally coincide with the boundaries of Clallam County’s Marine Recovery Area, or MRA, where the County is also required to implement an enhanced Onsite Sewage Management Plan under RCW 70.118A).

State law (RCW 90.72) directs formation of shellfish protection districts where nonpoint pollution threatens water quality “...upon which the continuation or restoration of shellfish farming or harvesting is dependent.” By 1997 water quality monitoring had begun to show increasing bacterial pollution in and around Dungeness Bay. In 2000, 2001, and 2003, the Washington State Department of Health downgraded portions of the Dungeness Bay shellfish growing area due to bacterial pollution caused by nonpoint sources within the watershed.

In May 2015, Clallam County Environmental Health, with the assistance of staff and volunteers from Streamkeepers of Clallam County, initiated a Baseline Trends Monitoring Program to track surface water quality in the Sequim-Dungeness Clean Water District. The Pollution Identification & Correction Plan called for this effort for the Sequim Bay-Dungeness Watershed Clean Water District (PIC Plan). Created by PIC Project Partners for the District in 2014, the PIC Plan is one element of the shellfish downgrade response plan for the Sequim-Dungeness Clean Water District. The Baseline Trends Monitoring study area includes major freshwater drainages within the District.

This PIC Trends Monitoring Report covers calendar year 2022. The information gathered through PIC Trends monitoring and presented in annual reports helps guide Pollution Identification and Correction activities within the Clean Water District.

Sampling Approach and Results

The objective of the Baseline Trends Monitoring Program is to consistently monitor long-term water quality in order to evaluate trends at or near the mouths of waterways throughout the District. This information helps prioritize waterways for further targeted investigation and eventual pollution cleanup as described in the PIC Plan. Further, trends monitoring builds upon at least two decades of prior water quality studies. As in past investigations, water quality parameters associated with human sewage and animal waste such as fecal coliforms and nutrients were used to evaluate the water quality.

Sampling locations were selected as close to the mouths of the streams as practical given ownership, access, and tidal conditions. Twelve streams were designated Tier 1 sites and nine streams were designated Tier 2 sites. Tier 1 sites were sampled monthly as for both fecal coliforms (fecal or FC) and nutrients (nitrate-nitrogen, nitrite-nitrogen, ammonia-nitrogen/NH₃), phosphate-phosphorous, silicate-silica, total nitrogen, and total phosphate). Tier 2 sites were sampled quarterly (January, May, August, November) for fecal coliforms only. In addition to bacteria and nutrients sampling, water temperature and salinity data were recorded at all sample sites. Table 1 describes sites and sampling conducted while Figures 1-3 show sample site locations.

Barometric pressure, dissolved oxygen, pH, specific conductivity, and turbidity data are readily recorded alongside standard in-situ measurements with a YSI Pro-DSS multi-parameter water quality meter. Stream stage is recorded where appropriate reference points exist. Data collection not specifically called for in the Pollution Identification and Correction Quality Assurance Project Plan (QAPP, Bond et al. 2019) is performed following the Streamkeepers Program (SK QAPP, Chadd et al. 2019).

Streamkeepers volunteers Peggy McClure and Linda Sumner collect samples from the Dungeness River for nutrient and fecal coliform analysis.



Table 1: Site locations and type of sampling performed from January 2022 through December 2022.

Tier 1 sites were sampled monthly as possible for fecal coliforms (F) and nutrients (N). Tier 2 sites were sampled quarterly for fecal coliforms only. Water temperature and salinity data were collected at all sites on every visit. Dung. Bay/R. = Dungeness Bay/River. Seq. Bay = Sequim Bay. SJF = Strait of Juan de Fuca. Cells highlighted in pink lack data for the sampling interval. Reasons for data gaps include: Golden Sands Slough 0.0: January - obstructed culvert, no flow; Sequim Bay State Park Creek 0.0/0.1: January and February - high tide at lower site, upper site not safely accessible; September and October – no flow; Dean 0.17: May – no access.

Stream/ Site Name		Receiving Waters	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
Tier 1 Streams	Dungeness 0.7	Dung. Bay	F N	F	F N	F								
	Meadowbrook 0.2	Dung. Bay	F N	F	F N	F								
	Golden Sands Slough 0.0	Dung. Bay		F	F N	F								
	Cooper 0.1	Dung. Bay	F N	F	F N	F								
	Cassalery 0.0/ 0.6*	Dung. Bay	F N	F	F N	F								
	Matriotti 0.3a	Dung. R.	F N	F	F N	F								
	Lotzgesell 0.1	Dung. R.	F N	F	F N	F								
	Sequim Bay State Park Creek 0.0/0.1 *	Seq. Bay			F N	F	F N	F	F N	F			F N	F
	Bell 0.2	Seq. Bay	F N	F	F N	F								
	Johnson 0.0	Seq. Bay	F N	F	F N	F								
Jimmycomelately 0.15	Seq. Bay	F N	F	F N	F	F N	F	F N	F	F N	F	F N	F	
Tier 2 Streams	Bagley 0.7a	SJF	F				F			F			F	
	Siebert 1.0	SJF	F				F			F			F	
	Agnew Creek/ Ditch 0.3	SJF	F				F			F			F	
	McDonald 01.6	SJF	F				F			F			F	
	Hurd 0.2	Dung. R.	F				F			F			F	
	Gierin 1.8	Dung. Bay	F				F			F			F	
	Dean 0.17	Seq. Bay	F							F			F	
	No Name 0.03	Seq. Bay	F				F			F			F	
Chicken Coop 0.24	Seq. Bay	F				F			F			F		

* Tide Dependent

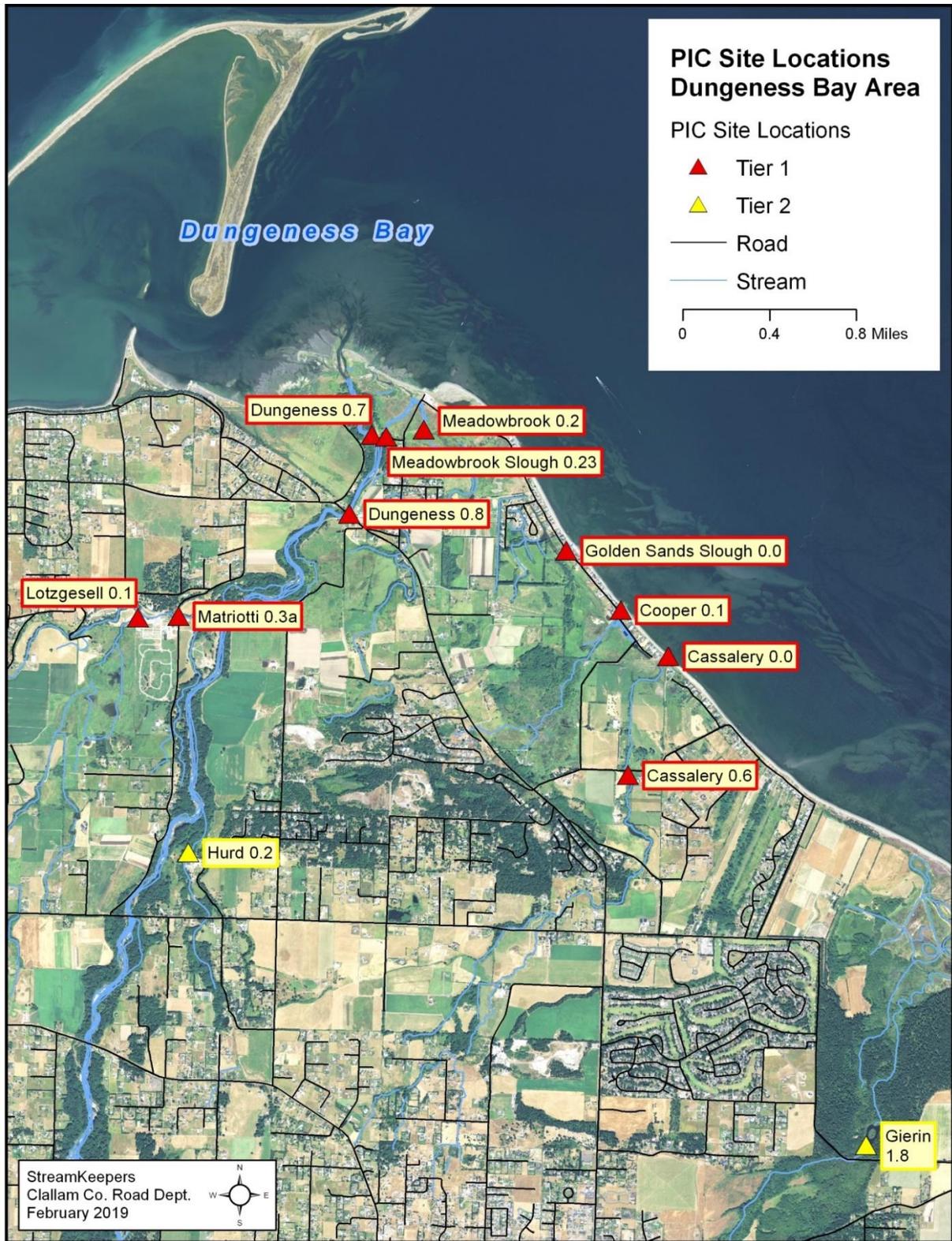


Figure 1. PIC Baseline Trends Monitoring sample sites, Dungeness Bay area (Washington State Department of Ecology real-time flow meter located at Dungeness 0.8)

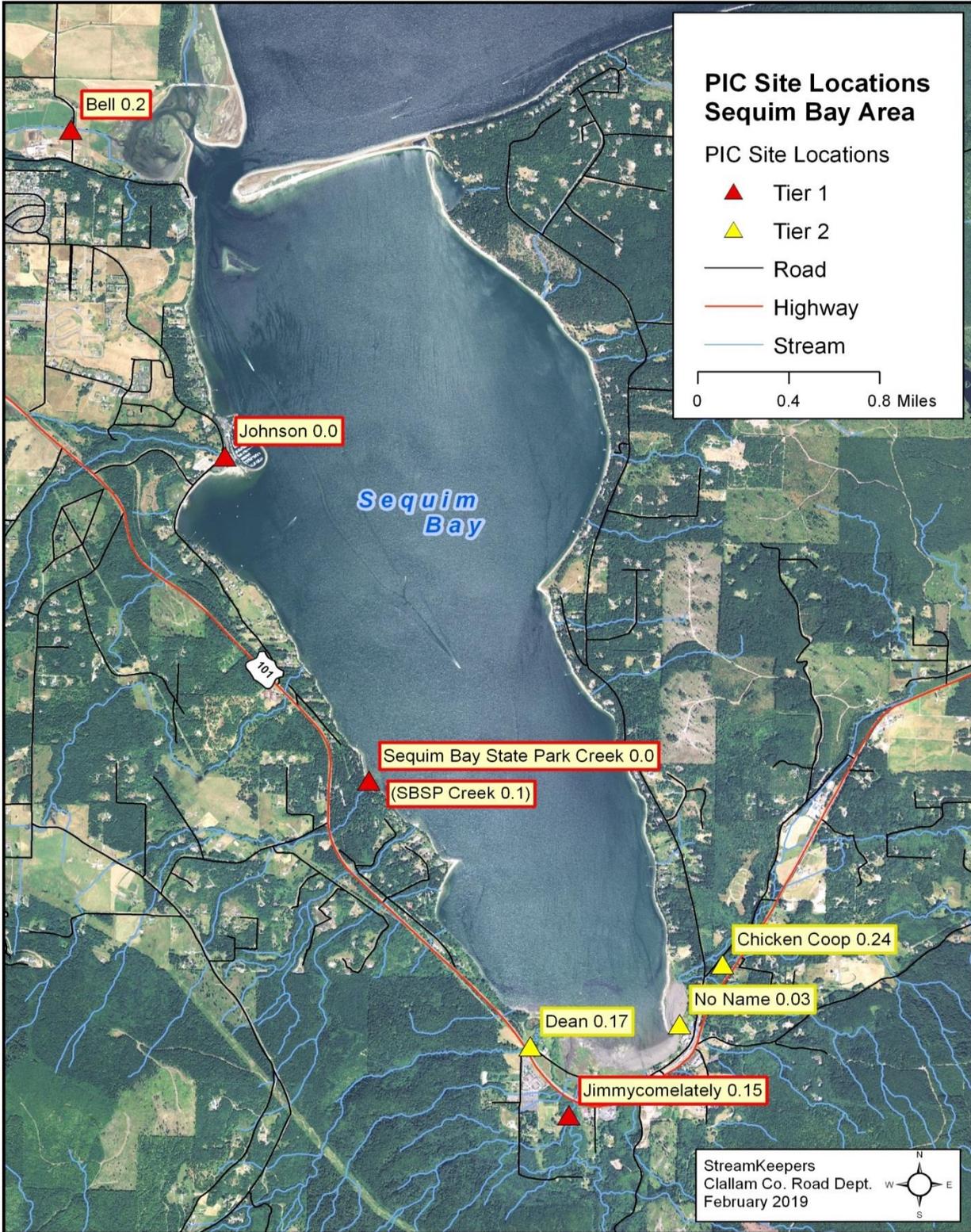


Figure 2. PIC Baseline Trends Monitoring sample sites, Sequim Bay area

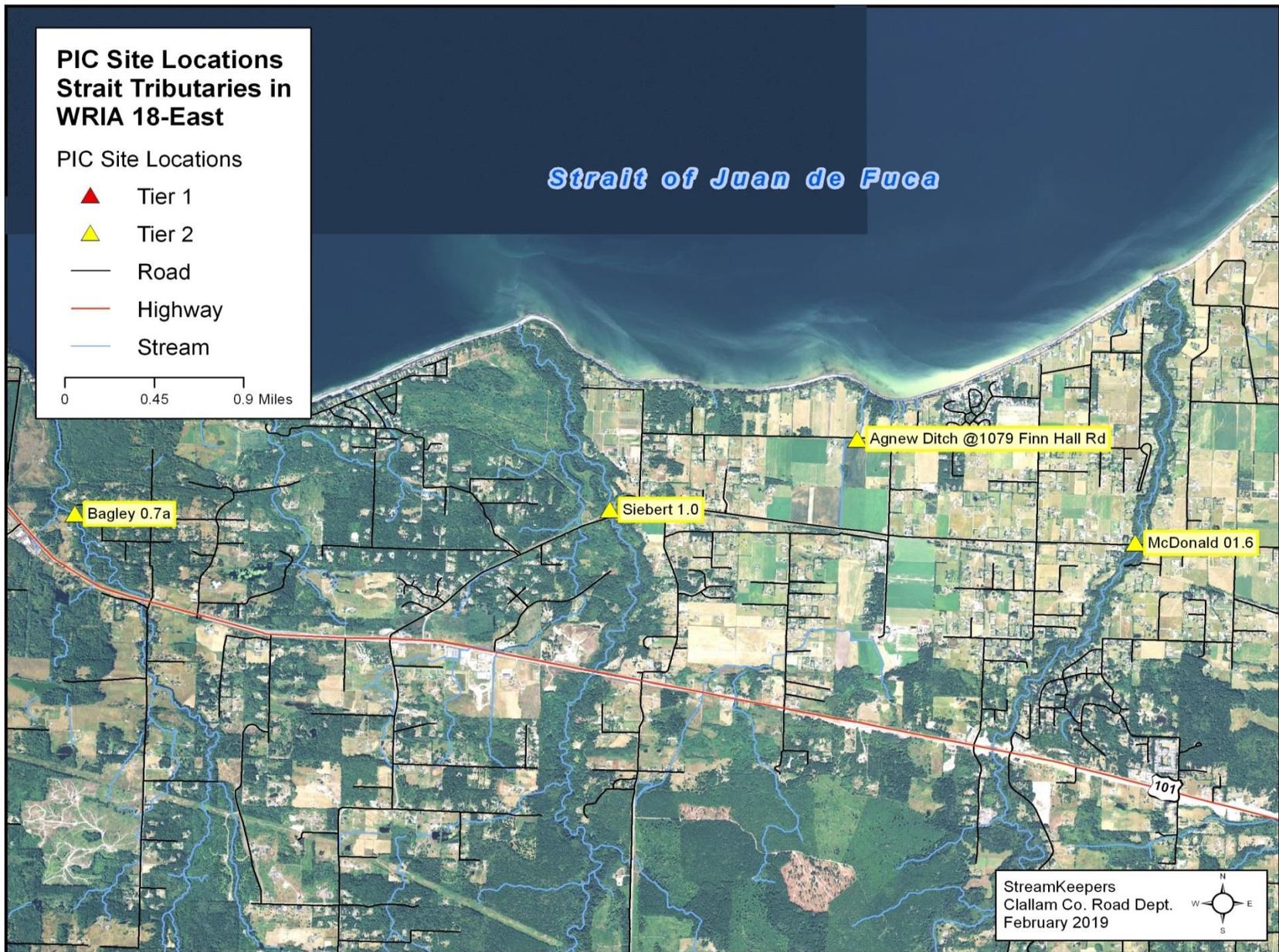


Figure 3. PIC Baseline Trends Monitoring sample sites, waters west of Dungeness Bay

Data Caveats

- Data qualifiers used are per Washington State Department of Ecology's (Ecology) Environmental Information Management (EIM) system.
- Rejected (REJ) data are not used in our analyses.
- Field replicates were averaged with primary samples.
- Field blanks were recorded and used for quality assurance (QA)/quality control (QC) analyses but were not used in this report to generate statistics or figures.
- Some sites are tidally influenced, as can be seen in the salinity data presented below. The sampling procedure dictates sampling during low-tide conditions, but this is not always possible. Alternate sites were sampled at Cassalery Creek and Sequim Bay State Park when tides prohibited collection of freshwater observations at the primary sample sites due to the lack of accessibility or impacts marine water has on the quality of the sample.

Data Quality Analysis

The following data quality analyses help PIC Project Partners decide where Measurement Quality Objectives (MQO) have been met.

Blanks Analysis—Fecal Coliforms

In general, one fecal coliform field blank is prepared each sampling tour. From January 2022 through December 2022, all fecal coliform field blanks were “non-detects” since the analyte was not detected at or above the detection limit. This detection limit is usually 2 CFU/100ml at Clallam County Environmental Health Laboratory, but on May 9, samples were analyzed by Spectra Labs in Poulsbo, WA which has a detection limit of 10 CFU/ml. On November 16 and December 5, due to lab dilution of all samples, the detection limit was 4 CFU/100 ml. The fact that all blanks were non-detects indicates proper handling of grab samples.

In addition to field blanks, Clallam County Environmental Health Laboratory prepares and analyzes a lab blank 1) before running samples, 2) after every ten samples, and 3) after running all samples. Lab blank results are not reported to the PIC Baseline Trends Monitoring Program. Rather, these blanks serve as an internal control for the laboratory. For the period of this report no fecal coliform data were rejected or qualified due to laboratory blanks. Clallam County Environmental Health Laboratory is accredited by Ecology and follows Membrane Filter Standardized Method SM9222D.

Blanks Analysis—Nutrients

At least one nutrient field blank (FB) is prepared for each PIC Baseline Trends Monitoring tour. Table 2 summarizes nutrient field blank results. UW Marine Chemistry Laboratory provides annual Minimum Detection Limits (MDL). Synthesized Reporting Limit (RL) is calculated as the greater of either $3.18 \times \text{Annual MDL}$ or $\text{FB mean} + 1 \text{ Standard Deviation (SD)}$, per the PIC QAPP (Bond et al. 2019).

For most nutrients, the synthetic RL was defined by the MDLs multiplied by the factor 3.18. Ammonia nitrogen and total nitrogen synthetic RL were determined by $\text{FB mean} + 1 \text{ SD}$. The fraction of field blank nutrient analyses exceeding the reporting limit was 5% for 2020-2022.

Beyond field blanks, UW Marine Chemistry Laboratory internal QA/QC involves nutrient lab blank preparation and analysis. These analyses are not presented here, as the lab only reports data that have passed internal controls. To date, laboratory nutrient blanks have never prompted data qualification or corrective action.



Bell Creek estuary, fed by Bell Creek, near the mouth of Sequim Bay

Table 2. Nutrients field blank (FB) results and synthetic reporting limit (RL) calculations. All values in [$\mu\text{g/L}$]. RL is calculated as the max of (FB Mean + 1 SD, $3.18 \times \text{MDL}$), per QAPP (Bond et al., 2019). Field blanks (FB) greater than the synthetic RL are shaded in pink.

Arrival date	[PO ₄ ⁻ P]	[SiO ₄ ⁻ Si]	[NO ₃ ⁻ N]	[NO ₂ ⁻ N]	[NH ₄ ⁻ N]	TP	TN	
22-Jan-22	0.9	0	0	0	0	2.3	80.8	
14-Mar-22	0.8	2.1	2.1	0	0	2.0	101.9	
8-May-22	1.3	6.3	1.8	0.1	0.3	1.9	81.2	
12-Jul-22	2.9	7.5	1.7	0	10.9	0.8	52.6	
12-Sep-22	1.2	10.8	1.9	0	8.7	9.1	90.1	
16-Nov-22	0.6	23.6	5.5	0	6.3	0.3	34.6	
2022 MDL	0.9	13.0	2.5	0.1	1.3	9.5	0.4	
2022 FB Mean	1.3	8.4	2.2	0.0	4.4	2.7	73.5	
2022 SD	0.8	8.4	1.8	0.0	4.9	3.2	25.1	
<i>FB Mean + 1 SD</i>	2.1	16.8	4.0	0.0	9.3	5.9	98.6	
<i>3.18 × 2022 MDL</i>	2.9	41.3	8.0	0.3	4.1	30.2	1.3	
2022 synthetic RL	2.9	41.3	8.0	0.3	9.3	30.2	98.6	
# of FB > RL, 2020	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
# of FB > RL, 2021	0	0	1	0	1	1	1	4
# of FB > RL, 2022	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	2
Total FB > RL (all)	0	0	1	0	2	1	2	6
% FB > RL	0.0%	0.0%	5.9%	0.0%	11.8%	5.9%	11.8%	5.0%

Field Replicate Analysis—Fecal Coliforms

Field replicates of fecal coliform grab samples are collected at the rate of one for every 5% of sites or at least one per sampling event. Field replicates help assess precision and confidence in sampling procedures.

Primary samples and replicates from each sampling event are compared in terms of relative standard deviation (RSD). In general, Clallam County Water Laboratory analyzes the field replicate and a laboratory duplicate of the field replicate; the mean of these two values is reported as “replicate” in Table 3, below.

QAPP section 6.2 describes the desired level of agreement between qualifying pairs of primary FC samples and field replicates (after pairs with averages below 20 CFU/100mL have been excluded). Half of all pairs should have less than or equal to 20% RSD, ninety percent of qualifying pairs should have less than or equal to 50% RSD, and all qualifying pairs should have less than 85% RSD. Table 4, below, compares observed results against these criteria for the reporting period. No fecal coliform data were qualified based on field replicate analyses, as replicate pairs met measurement quality objectives described in QAPP section 6.2 (Bond et al. 2019).

Table 3. Fecal coliform field replicate results. Here each field replicate and a laboratory duplicate of the field replicate are averaged and reported as a single, composite value called “replicate.”

Date	Site	Type	FC CFU	Mean	%RSD
1/11/2022	Agnew Creek/Ditch 3.0	Primary	42	43.0	3.3%
		Replicate	44		
5/26/2022	Agnew Creek/Ditch 3.0	Primary	26	18.0	N/A Excluded
		Replicate	10		
8/9/2022	Agnew Creek/Ditch 3.0	Primary	154	137.0	17.5%
		Replicate	120		
11/16/2022	Agnew Creek/Ditch 3.0	Primary	92	70.0	44.4%
		Replicate	48		
1/10/2022	Bell 0.2	Primary	53	50.0	5.7%
		Replicate	48		
2/14/2022	Bell 0.2	Primary	80	72.0	15.7%
		Replicate	64		
3/14/2022	Bell 0.2	Primary	40	40.0	0.0%
		Replicate	40		
4/26/2022	Bell 0.2	Primary	54	42.0	40.4%
		Replicate	30		
5/9/2022	Bell 0.2	Primary	20	50.0	84.9%
		Replicate	80		
6/13/2022	Bell 0.2	Primary	1,848	1,596.0	22.3%
		Replicate	1,344		
7/12/2022	Bell 0.2	Primary	250	244.0	2.8%
		Replicate	238		
8/8/2022	Bell 0.2	Primary	2,856	3,108.0	11.5%
		Replicate	3,360		
9/12/2022	Bell 0.2	Primary	720	730.0	1.9%
		Replicate	740		
10/10/2022	Bell 0.2	Primary	360	370.0	3.8%
		Replicate	380		
11/14/2022	Bell 0.2	Primary	50	75.0	47.1%
		Replicate	100		
12/5/2022	Bell 0.2	Primary	24	18.0	N/A Excluded
		Replicate	12		
					Total pairs: 16
					Excluded pairs: 2
					Qualifying pairs: 14

Primary/replicate pairs with means less than 20 CFU are excluded from MQO analysis.

Table 4: Fecal coliform data Measurement Quality Objectives

QC tiers	Pairs in Tier	% Pairs in Tier	% Pairs Required	MQO Met?
Pairs <= 20% RSD	9	64.3%	50.0%	YES
Pairs <= 50% RSD	13	92.9%	90.0%	YES
Pairs <= 85% RSD	14	100.0%	100.0%	YES

Field Replicate Analysis—Nutrients

Nutrient field replicates are also collected alongside 5% of all samples (or at least one replicate each sampling event). These replicates are again compared against their primary samples to calculate Relative Standard Deviation. Primary/replicate pairs with means less than five times the reporting limit are excluded from RSD calculation. QAPP Table 1 (Bond et al. 2019) describes acceptable annual median RSD values, and sampling results are compared against the criteria below.

Nutrient sample replicate analysis generally showed a high degree of precision among primary/replicate pairs and no data were qualified as a result of this analysis.

Table 5: Nutrients field replicate results and QC analysis for data pairs with mean > 5 RL

Analyte	Data Pairs	Median RSD	RSD Criterion	Data Qualified
Ammonia	5	8.7%	15%	none
Nitrate	6	0.7%	10%	none
Nitrite	0		10%	none
Phosphate	6	4.3%	10%	none
Silicate	6	1.3%	10%	none
Total N	6	0.8%	10%	none
Total P	6	1.8%	10%	none

Field Replicate Analysis—Physical and Chemical Parameters

The PIC Baseline Trends Water Quality Monitoring Program calls for in situ measurements of water temperature and salinity at all sample sites. Barometric pressure (BP), dissolved oxygen (DO), pH, specific conductance (SpC), and turbidity measurements are also collected (though not required), given the ease of data collection with multiparameter water quality meters. These data are collected in accordance with the Streamkeepers Program QAPP (Chadd et al. 2019).

Measurement quality objectives of physical and chemical data are described in terms of maximum allowable percent relative standard deviation and/or maximum allowable difference between primary samples and replicates. Where two criteria are provided, at least one must be met for data to pass unqualified and avoid corrective action. Table 6, below, summarizes

comparison of environmental data against MQO criteria. Salinity and temperature criteria were described in the PIC Project QAPP (Bond et al. 2019) while measuring and reporting methods for other criteria were described in the Streamkeepers Program QAPP (Chadd et al. 2019).

Table 6. Physical/chemical water quality field replicate QC analysis

Parameter	Units	Data Pairs	Max RSD (by pairs)	RSD Criterion	Max Difference Observed	Difference Criteria	Data Qualified
BP	Hg	16			0	0.05	None
DO	mg/L	16		1% per pair	0	0.2	None
pH	N/A	16			1	0.2	6/13/22, 8/9/22
Salinity	PSU (ppt)	15		5% per pair	0.00	0.2	None
Sp Cond	µs/cm	16	1.1%	5% per pair			None
Water T	°C	16			0.1	0.2	None
Turbidity	FNU	16	31.0%	7% per pair		1	1/10/22, 5/26/22

Salinity difference criteria changed from the previous value of 0.02 PSS. Data is recorded to nearest 0.1 PSS

Laboratory Standards Checks—Nutrients

In addition to internal controls mentioned previously, UW Marine Chemistry Laboratory uses check standards to assess bias stemming from analytical methods. Wherever standards are not met, analyses are repeated. Data reported by the lab have passed all internal QA/QC screening. To date no nutrient data have required qualification or corrective action following laboratory data quality analyses.

Compliance with Project QAPP and SOPs

In compliance with the project QAPP (Bond et al. 2019), environmental data were collected following standard operating procedures (SOP). Water samples for the purpose of fecal coliform testing were collected in sterile polypropylene (PP) bottles, stored in coolers with ice packs for less than 8 hours, and analyzed at Clallam County Water Laboratory. Samples for nutrients testing were collected in either acid-washed PP or acid-washed high-density polyethylene (HDPE) bottles, chilled with ice packs in coolers, and shipped overnight to UW Marine Chemistry Laboratory in Seattle, WA.

In situ physical and chemical water quality measurements (water temperature, dissolved oxygen concentration, pH, specific conductance, salinity, turbidity) were collected using a YSI ProDSS field meter which was calibrated prior to sampling events. Where necessary, data have been flagged with appropriate qualifiers based on QA/QC measures.

Monitoring Results

PIC Baseline Trends Monitoring environmental data collected between January 1, 2022 and December 31, 2022 are given in Appendix B. These data are presented visually in the charts to follow and explored in the Discussion section of this report. Rejected data have been excluded. Additional data for parameters not described in the PIC Quality Assurance Project Plan (dissolved oxygen, pH, turbidity, specific conductivity), collected according to the Streamkeepers QAPP, are presented in Appendix C.



Streamkeepers volunteer Linda Sumner collects a sample for nutrient analysis at Meadowbrook Creek, while volunteer Peggy McClure looks on. Photo Credit: Joel Green

Fecal Coliforms

As in 2020-2021, in 2022 the geometric mean fecal coliform level in Bell creek was higher than 100 CFU/100mL (Figures 4 and 5). Cassalery, Matriotti, Meadowbrook, Agnew and Gierin creeks had geometric mean fecal coliform levels above 50 CFU/100mL. Matriotti Creek showed an improvement in fecal coliform levels compared to 2019-2021, with the geometric mean going from above 100 CFU/100mL to 50 CFU/100mL. Mean fecal coliform levels in McDonald and Chicken Coop creeks also showed an improvement as compared to 2021, with the geometric mean dropping below 50 CFU/100mL. In contrast, Cassalery and Agnew creek geometric means rose to above 50 CFU/100mL.

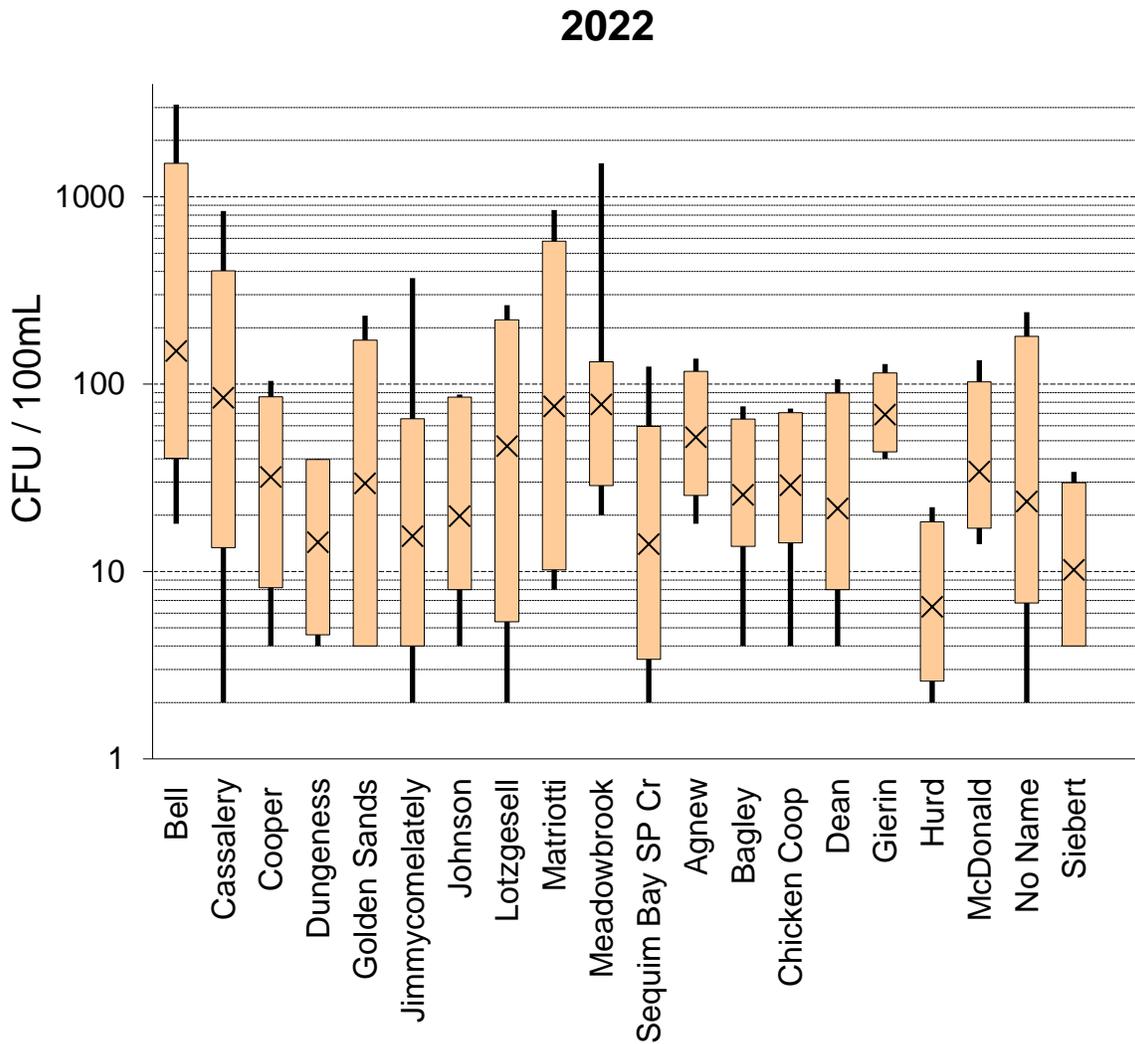


Figure 4. Fecal Coliforms, all CWD streams. Fecal coliforms were measured as colony-forming units (CFU) per 100 ml. Note log scale. X marks geometric mean; bottom and top of box represent observed 10th and 90th percentiles; ends of whiskers represent extremes. From left to right, the first 11 streams are Tier 1 streams, and the remaining 9 streams are Tier 2 streams.

Site	Tier	2015		2016		2017		2018		2019		2020		2021		2022	
		Geo Mean > 50	Geo Mean > 100	Geo Mean > 50	Geo Mean > 100	Geo Mean > 50	Geo Mean > 100	Geo Mean > 50	Geo Mean > 100	Geo Mean > 50	Geo Mean > 100	Geo Mean > 50	Geo Mean > 100	Geo Mean > 50	Geo Mean > 100	Geo mean >50	Geo Mean > 100
Agnew	2			X						X		X	X			X	
Bagley	2																
Bell	1											X	X	X	X	X	X
Cassalery	1									X		X				X	
Chicken Coop	2													X			
Cooper	2																
Dean	2																
Dungeness	1																
Gierin	2													X		X	
Golden Sands	1	X		X						X							
Hurd	2																
Jimmycomelately	1																
Johnson	1																
Lotzgesell	1									X		X		X			
Matriotti	1	X		X		X		X		X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
McDonald	2											X		X			
Meadowbrook	1											X		X		X	
Meadowbr. Slough	1							X	X	X	X	X	X				
No Name	2																
Sequim Bay SP Cr	1																
Siebert	2																

Figure 5. Trends in bacterial pollution in monitored streams, 2015-2022. Monitored streams are shown in the left column. Tier 1 streams were monitored monthly, Tier 2 streams quarterly. For each year, the following fecal coliform metrics are reported for each stream: 1) geometric mean fecal coliform > 50 CFU/100 ml, and 2) geometric mean fecal coliform > 100 CFU/100 ml. If neither threshold is exceeded, blocks are green. If the lower threshold is exceeded, blocks are orange; if the higher is exceeded, blocks are red. Due to small sample size (usually 4 per year, sometimes 3), results for Tier 2 streams should not be considered definitive. When less than three samples were collected in a year, data were considered insufficient to report here, and blocks are white.

Nutrients

Nutrients results are summarized in the charts below. Nutrients data were collected monthly at CWD Tier 1 streams only. As seen in Figure 6, Bell, Cassalery, Lotzgesell, and Matriotti creeks have the highest mean levels of nitrogen as nitrate in the 2022 results. Bell creek also has the highest nitrite levels, with similar levels among Cassalery, Golden Sands, Lotzgesell, Matriotti and Meadowbrook creeks (Figure 7).

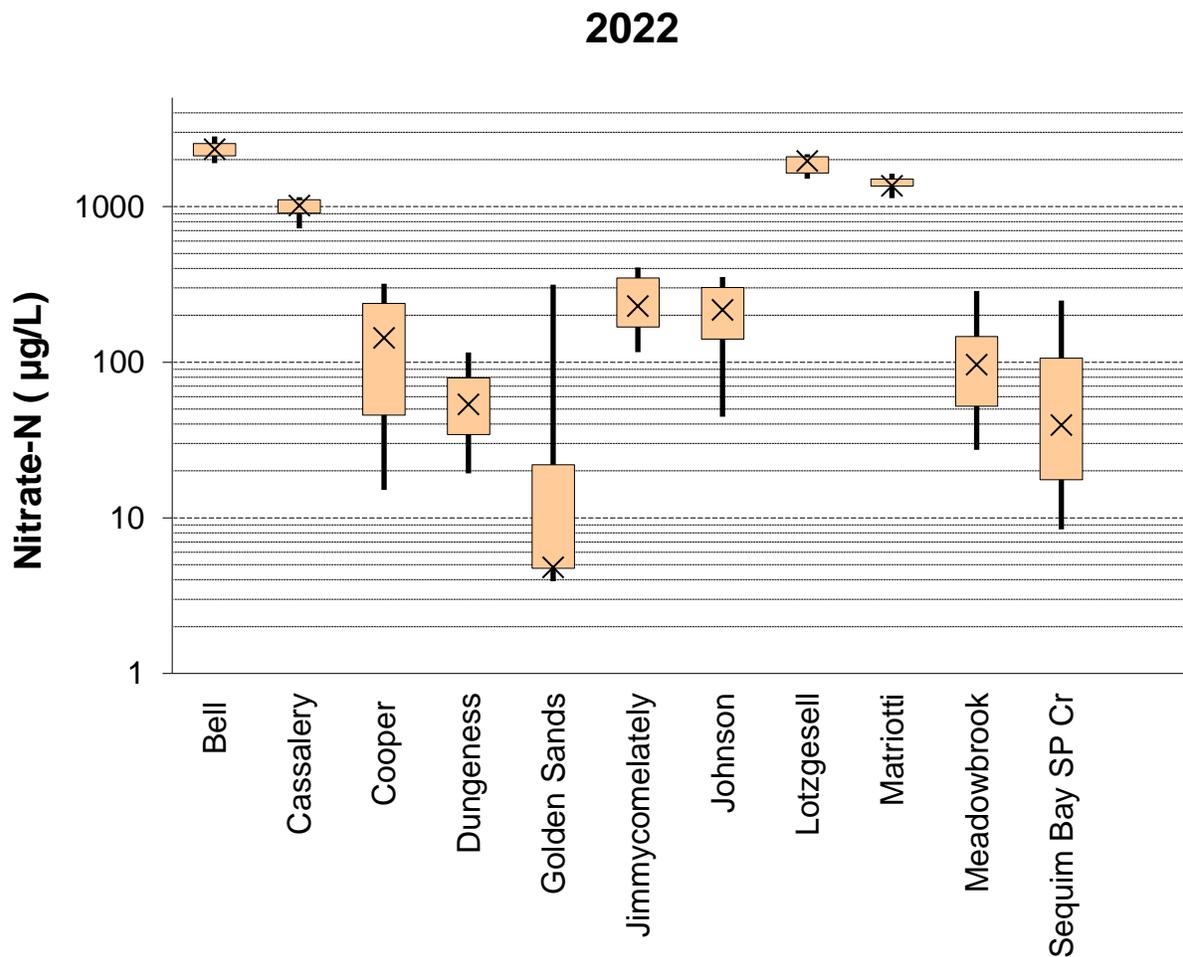


Figure 6. Nitrate as N, Tier 1 streams. Note log scale. X marks median; bottom and top of box represent 1st and 3rd quartiles; ends of whiskers represent min. and max. values.

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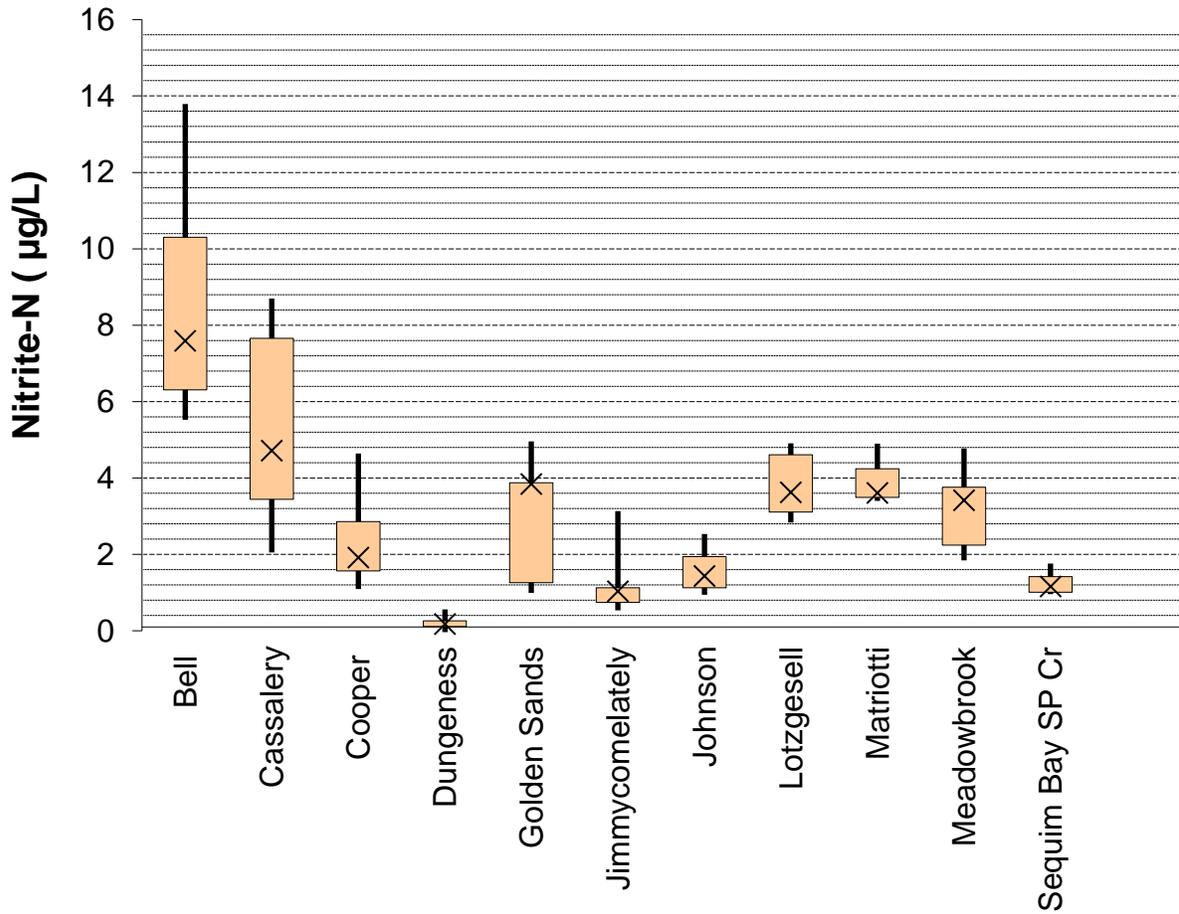


Figure 7. Nitrite as N, Tier 1 streams. X marks median; bottom and top of box represent 1st and 3rd quartiles; ends of whiskers represent min. and max. values.

The mean ammonia values in 2022 were highest at Bell, Cassalery, Cooper, Golden Sands, and Meadowbrook creeks, and relatively low at remaining CWD creeks (Fig. 8).

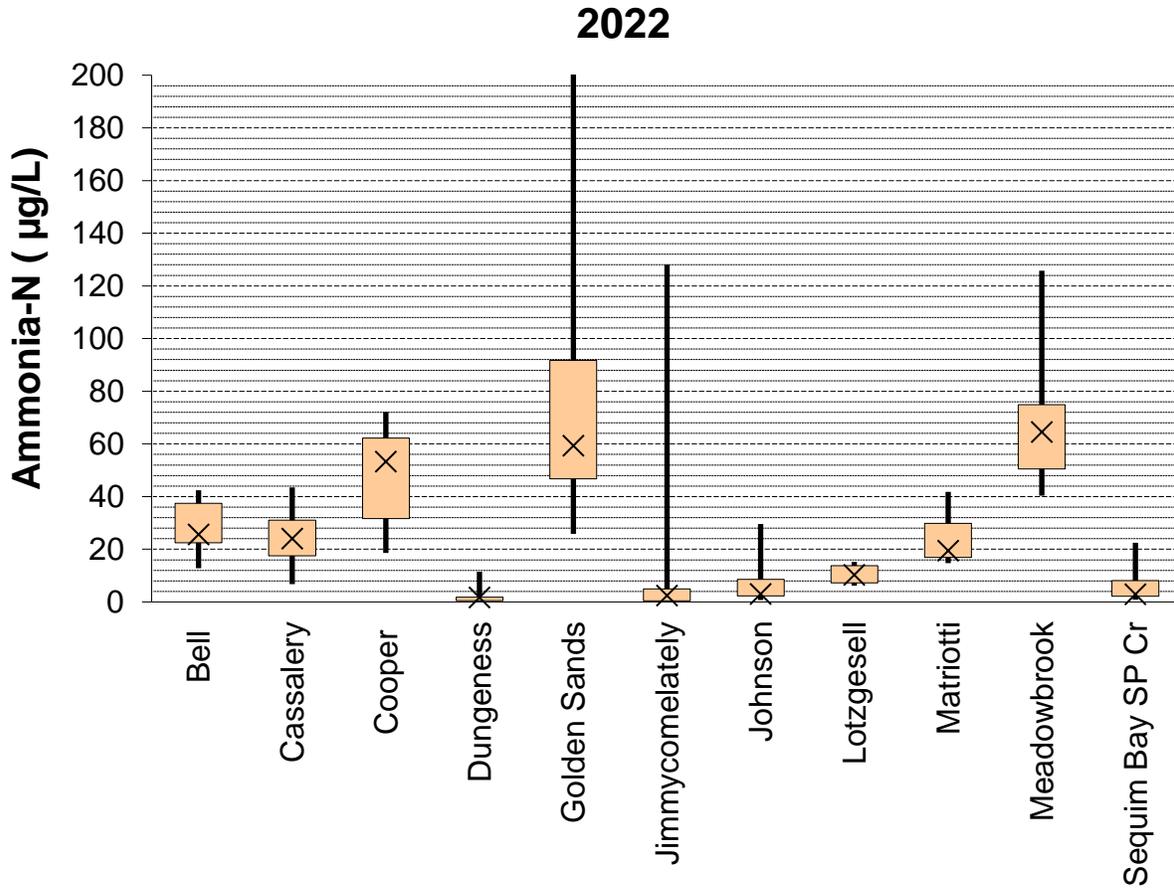


Figure 8. Ammonia as N, Tier 1 streams. X marks median; bottom and top of box represent 1st and 3rd quartiles; ends of whiskers represent min. and max. values.

Similar to 2020-2021, Bell, Cassalery, Lotzgesell, and Matriotti creeks, continued to have mean total nitrogen levels above 1000 $\mu\text{g/L}$ in 2022 (Fig. 9). The fact that these same creeks had relatively high levels of fecal coliform suggests common causes for elevated levels of both fecal coliform and nitrogen.

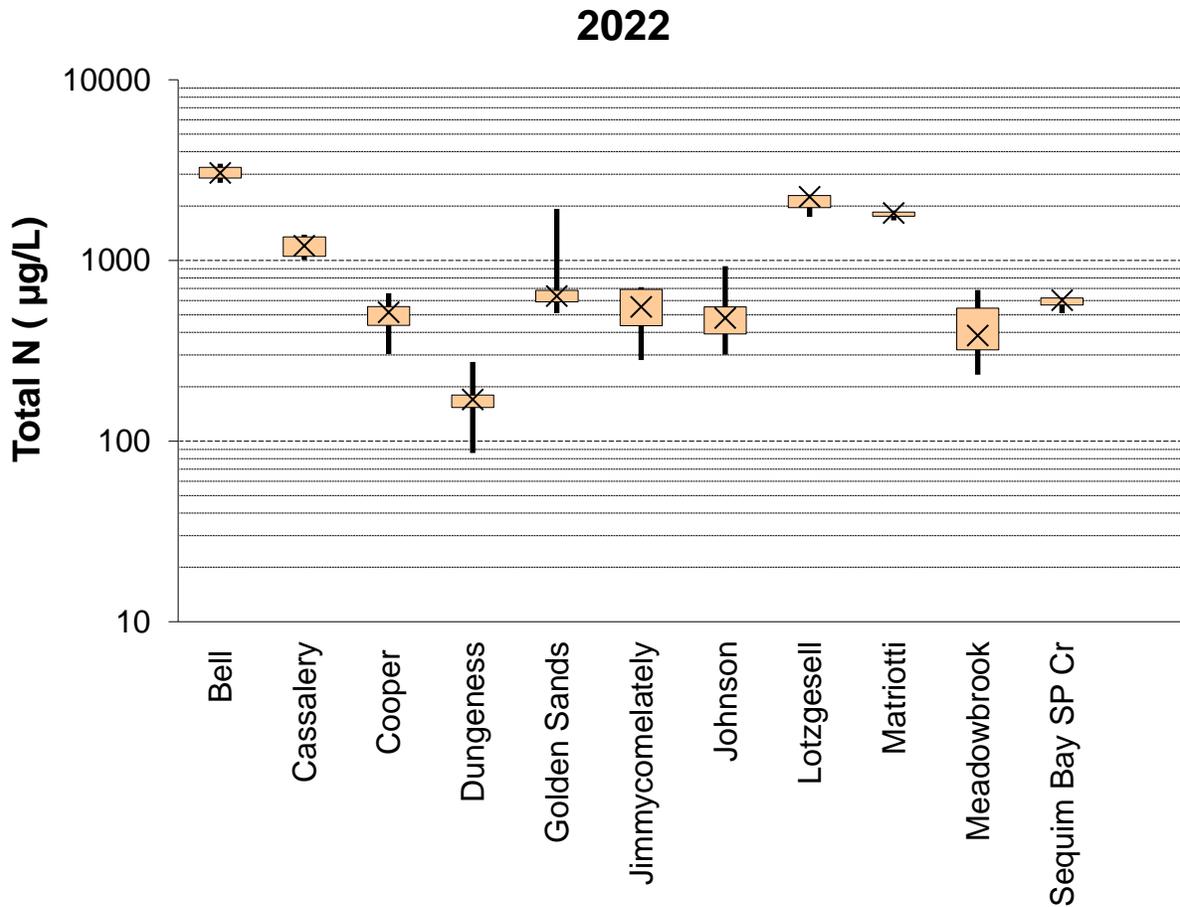


Figure 9. Total nitrogen, Tier 1 streams. Note log scale. X marks median; bottom and top of box represent 1st and 3rd quartiles; ends of whiskers represent min. and max. values.

In monitored creeks, levels of Phosphorous as Phosphate and total Phosphorous had similar patterns in 2022, with Bell Creek, Golden Sands Slough, Johnson and Sequim Bay State Park Creek having the highest mean values (Figs. 10 and 11). As marine water typically has a much higher concentration of phosphate-P than unpolluted freshwater, and Golden Sands Slough has input of marine water as evidenced by relatively high salinity, it is possible that the high level of phosphate-P at Golden Sands is partially due to input of marine water.

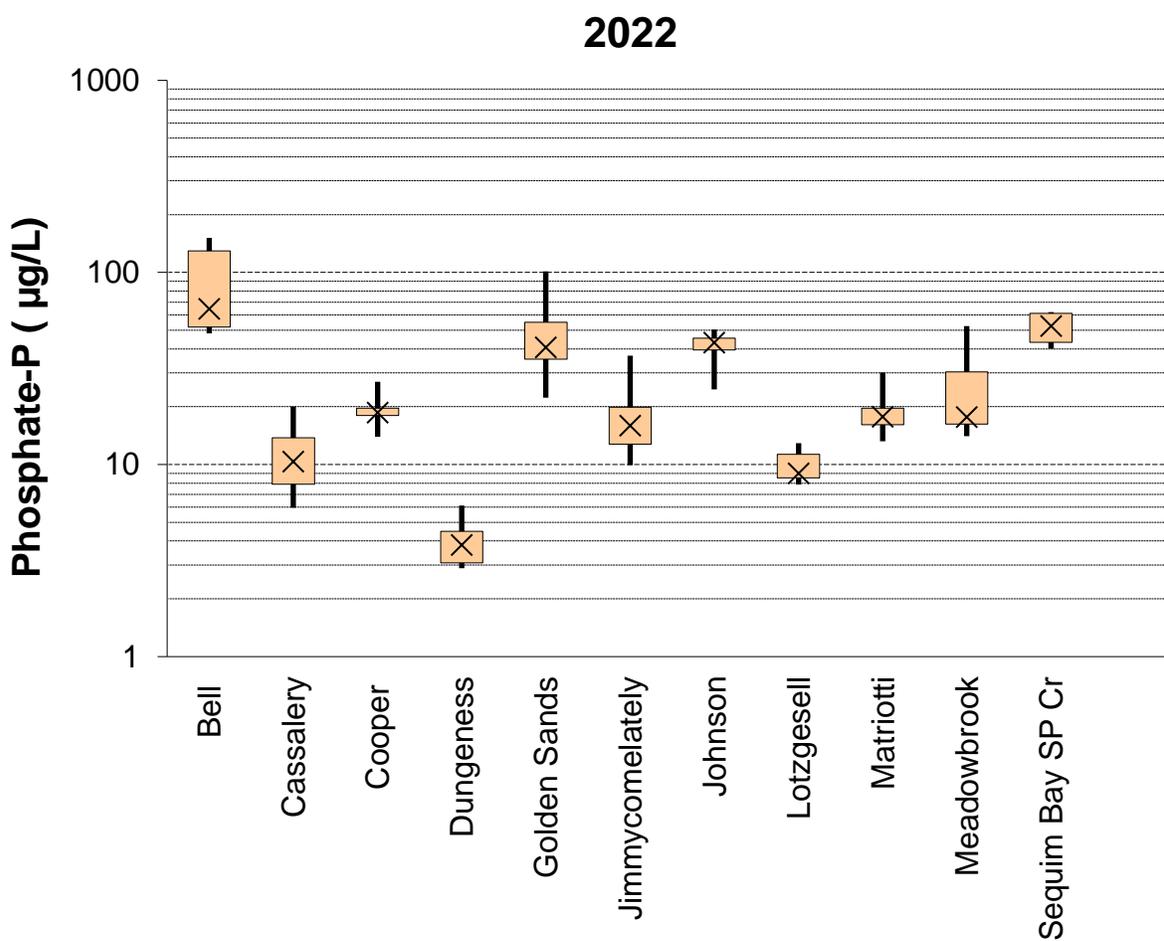


Figure 10. Phosphate as P, Tier 1 streams. Note log scale. X marks median; bottom and top of box represent 1st and 3rd quartiles; ends of whiskers represent min. and max. values.

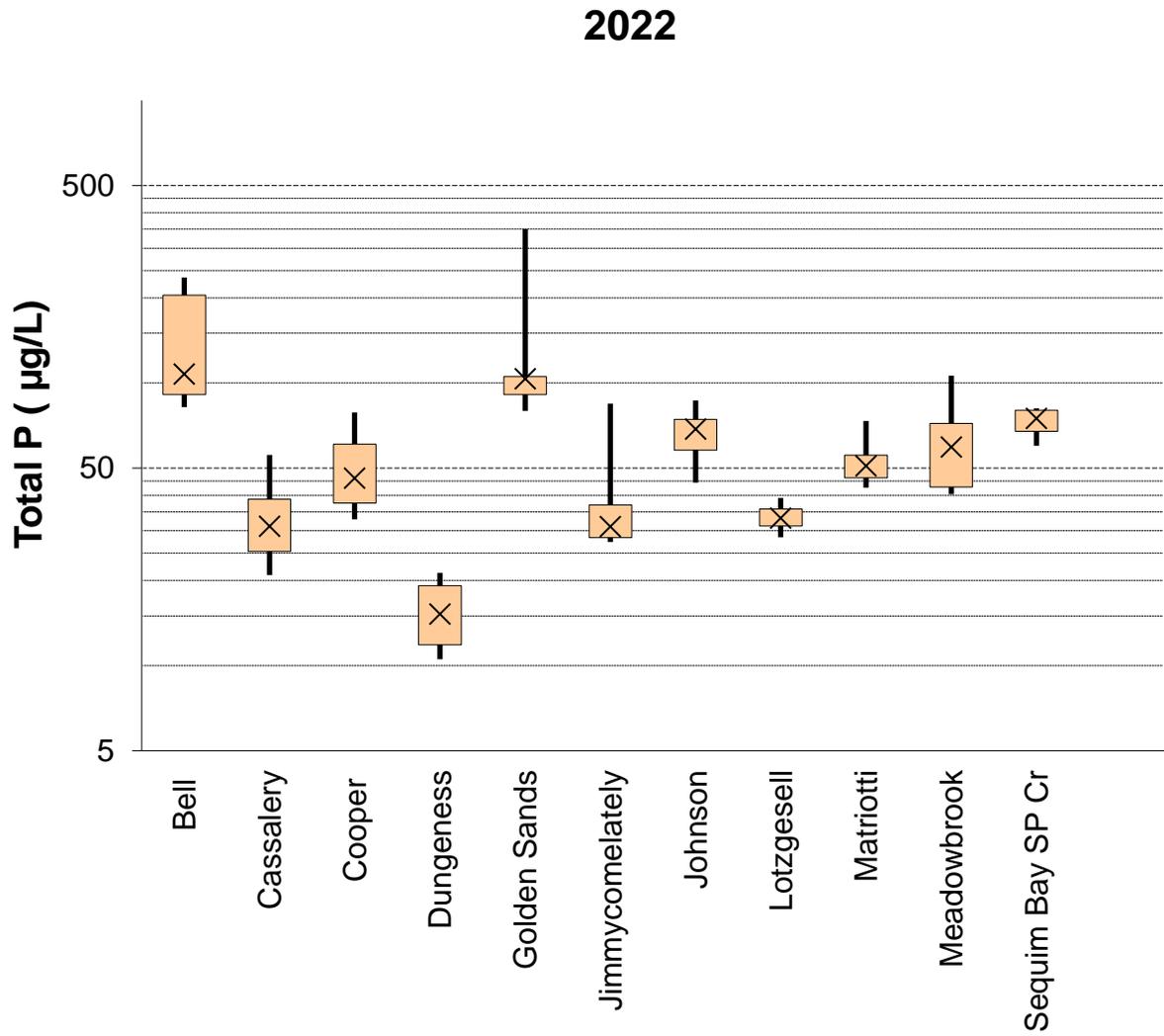


Figure 11. Total Phosphorus, Tier 1 streams. Note log scale. X marks median; bottom and top of box represent 1st and 3rd quartiles; ends of whiskers represent min. and max. values.

Water Temperature and Salinity

Summaries of water temperature and salinity data covering the reporting period follow. Physical and chemical data are collected monthly at Tier I streams and quarterly at Tier II streams. Additional measurements collected following the Streamkeepers program QAPP include barometric pressure, dissolved oxygen, pH, specific conductance, and turbidity data. These measurements are not specifically required by the PIC QAPP and are not discussed here, though they are available from the Clallam County Water Resources Database. Data summaries are presented in Appendix C. Figures 12 and 13 highlight water temperature and salinity for all CWD creeks. As in previous years, Golden Sands Slough, Cooper Creek, and Meadowbrook Creek had the highest measured water temperatures in 2022, possibly due to lack of riparian vegetation providing shade, and slow-moving water.

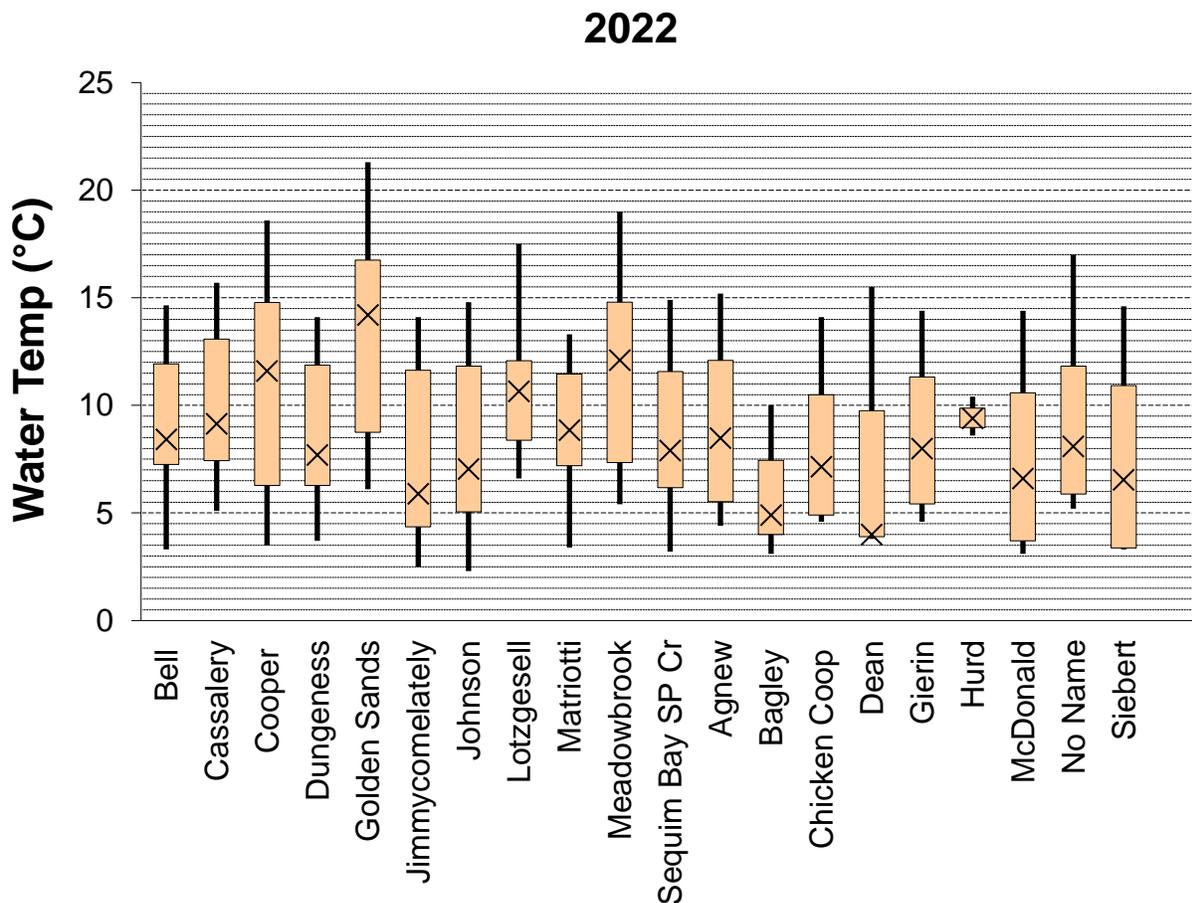


Figure 12. Water Temperature, all CWD streams. X marks median; bottom and top of box represent 1st and 3rd quartiles; ends of whiskers represent min. and max. values. For evaluative purposes, the State's maximum 7-day average of daily maxima salmonid core summer habitat (the designated use for all sites) is 16 °C (WAC 173-201A-200, 2022).

Cooper Creek, Golden Sands Slough, and Meadowbrook Creek salinity data are indicative of periodic marine water influence at these sites. Golden Sands Slough, with mean salinity over 25 ppm in 2022, is most influenced by influx of marine water. Due to the potential for tidal influence, secondary sample sites were added at Sequim Bay State Park Creek (0.1) and Cassalery Creek (0.6) to avoid complications with low flow events and tides that occasionally confound data collection. The highest salinity measurements at Sequim Bay State Park Creek and Cassalery Creek come from the lower, primary sample sites when the secondary site was not used.

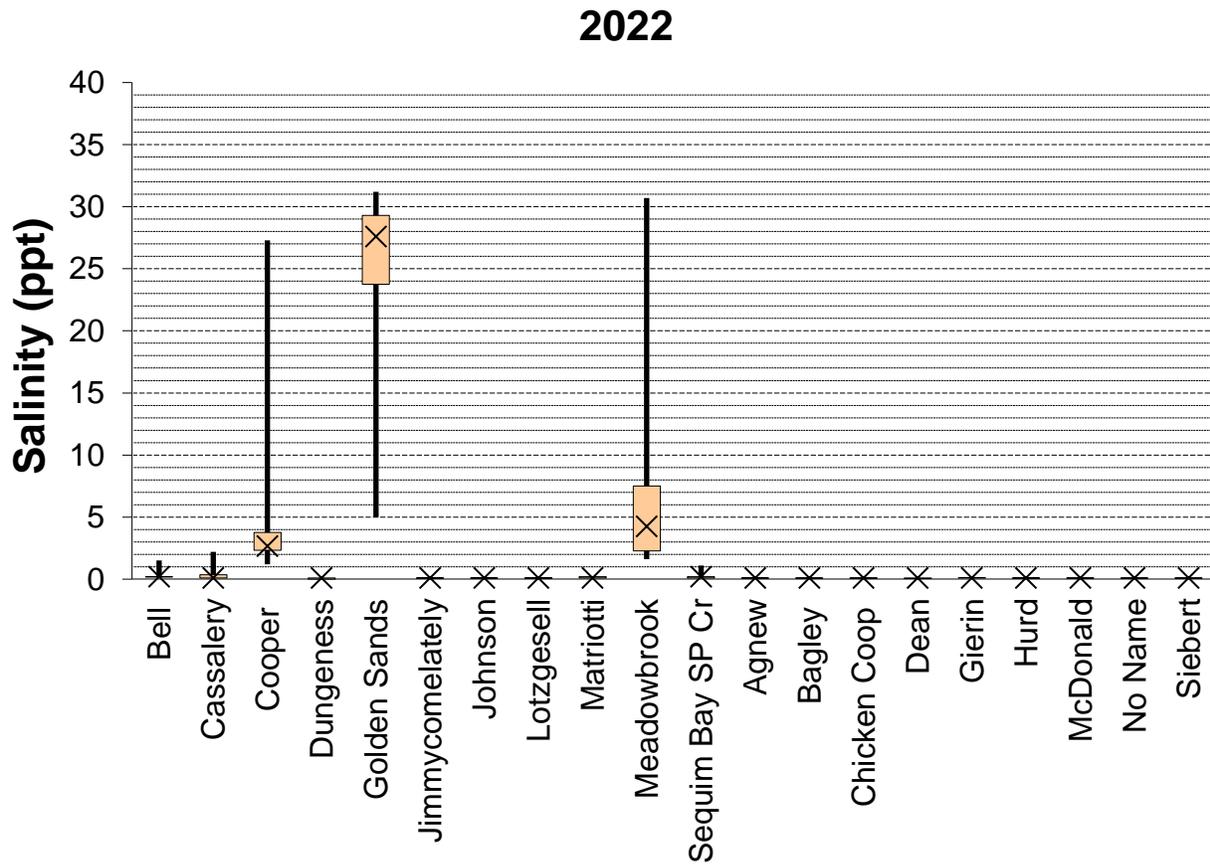


Figure 13. Salinity, all CWD streams. X marks median; bottom and top of box represent 1st and 3rd quartiles; ends of whiskers represent min. and max. values.

Availability of Data to the Public

Data is stored in Clallam County's Water Resources Database, and is available upon request (email to streamkeepers@clallamcountywa.gov). Data is submitted to Washington Dept. of Ecology's Environmental Information Management (EIM) database, and following Ecology's review, is posted and available to government agency personnel, nongovernmental organizations, and the public at <https://ecology.wa.gov/Research-Data/Data-resources/Environmental-Information-Management-database> and at EPA's WQX database (<https://www.epa.gov/waterdata/water-quality-data-wqx>).

Discussion

Pollution Identification and Correction work involves seeking and correcting upland sources of bacterial pollution that impact streams and receiving marine waters—especially where shellfish harvest activities exist. Baseline Trends Water Quality Monitoring helps highlight sub-watersheds for selection as PIC Focus Areas for further targeted investigation and pollution control. To date, Baseline Trends data have helped select Golden Sands and Meadowbrook Slough (2015-2017 PIC Focus Area), lower Matriotti and Lotzgesell Creeks (2017-2019 PIC Focus Area), and, most recently, upper Matriotti and lower Bell Creeks (2019-2022 PIC Focus Area).

PIC Project Partners elected to include lower Bell Creek as part of the 2019-2022 PIC Focus Area in an effort to seek and eliminate potential sources of bacterial pollution in the Bell Creek watershed. Bell Creek drains to Bell Creek estuary at the mouth of Sequim Bay, and potentially influences water quality in Sequim Bay Growing Area to the east and Jamestown Growing Area to the west.

In 2018, 90 acres of shellfish growing area in Sequim Bay were upgraded from Prohibited to Approved, and in 2019, 44 acres were downgraded from Approved to Prohibited. Initial work began in the 2019-2022 Focus Area including Bell Creek in December 2019. In 2020, 23 acres in the Jamestown Growing Area were upgraded from Prohibited to Approved. There were no upgrades or downgrades to shellfish growing areas in the Sequim-Dungeness Clean Water District in 2021 or 2022.

In 2022, through the Clallam County On-site Septic System Operations and Maintenance Cost-Share Program, there were two septic system repairs, one in Golden Sands, and one upstream of Meadowbrook Slough. Trends sampling before and after these repairs allowed Clallam County to monitor for any pre- and post-installation issues downstream of these properties.

While improvements have been made in the monitored watersheds in regards to individual landowner practices as a result of this PIC project, more work is needed to reduce bacterial pollution inputs and achieve improved water quality in Dungeness Bay and Sequim Bay, which would allow for opening more shellfish growing areas. In Dungeness Bay in 2022, there were no upgrades or downgrades for shellfish growing areas by Washington Dept. of Health, classifications have remained constant since 2016. However several of the sites monitored by Dept. of Health in Dungeness Bay had higher measured fecal coliform levels in November 2022

vs. November 2021, based on estimated 90th percentiles of 30 samples at each sample site (Trevor Swanson's report to the Clean Water Work Group, 12/14/2022) . Both PIC Trends data and Dept. of Health data highlights the need for continued water quality monitoring and followup landowner outreach efforts.



Volunteer Linda Sumner pushes a water sample through a syringe filter to prepare the sample for laboratory analysis of nutrient content.

Conclusion

Long-Term PIC Baseline Trends Monitoring continues to help project partners adaptively manage the PIC Program and select focus areas where limited resources will lead to the greatest improvements in water quality.

Many needed corrections identified during the course of PIC project monitoring from 2015-2022 have taken place. Many of these corrections were related to repairs and installations of onsite septic systems. Some of these septic system installations happened thanks to low-interest loans (such as Clean Water Loans offered by Craft3), Clallam County On-site Septic System Operations and Maintenance Cost-Share Program, and cost-share funding accessed by Clallam Conservation District. To continue pollution reduction, it will be necessary to continue tracking recalcitrant wastewater disposal problems and use all available tools to compel property owners to comply with wastewater best practices.

Parcel surveys and source investigations along Matriotti Creek noted several potential critical areas problems, including removed vegetated buffers. Cleared stream corridor appears prevalent across properties of varying uses from commercial to residential to agricultural. Clallam County's Clean Water Strategy for Addressing Bacteria Pollution in Dungeness Bay and Watershed (Streeter and Hempleman 2004) notes: "Although not considered a pollution source, the lack of vegetation along ditches and stream banks limits the landscape's ability to filter contaminated run-off." Additionally, the U.S. EPA considers infrared heat a pollutant (hence, Ecology can develop TMDLs based on temperature), and maintaining and/or restoring riparian buffers are effective best management practices to reduce temperature and increase infiltration. Water quality in Matriotti Creek can be improved by protecting the remaining vegetated corridor bordering the streams, and restoring vegetated buffers previously removed contrary to critical areas codes. This would lead to improved stream temperature conditions for fish, and reduced bacterial pollution.

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Appendix A: Map of Clean Water District



Appendix B: Data from January 2022 – December 2022

This table presents data for fecal coliform (FC), nitrate-nitrogen (NO₃-N), nitrite-nitrogen (NO₂-N), ammonia-nitrogen (NH₃-N), phosphate-phosphorus (PO₄-P), silicate-silicon (SiO₄-Si), total nitrogen (TN), total phosphorus (TP), water temperature, turbidity, and dissolved oxygen.

Site	Date	FC (CFU/ 100ml)	NO ₃ -N (µg/L)	NO ₂ -N (µg/L)	NH ₃ -N (µg/L)	PO ₄ -P (µg/L)	SiO ₄ -Si (µg/L)	TN (µg/L)	TP (µg/L)	Temp H ₂ O °C	Turbidity (FNU)	Dissolved Oxygen (mg/L)
Agnew Creek/Ditch 0.3	1/11/2022	43								4.4	12.5	12.90
Agnew Creek/Ditch 0.3	5/26/2022	18								11.1	9	10.90
Agnew Creek/Ditch 0.3	8/9/2022	137								15.2	3	9.80
Agnew Creek/Ditch 0.3	11/16/2022	70								5.9	3	12.60
Bagley 0.7a	1/11/2022	40								3.1	23	13.60
Bagley 0.7a	5/26/2022	36								10.0	2	10.90
Bagley 0.7a	8/9/2022	76									2	9.90
Bagley 0.7a	11/16/2022	4								4.9	2	12.60
Bell 0.2	1/10/2022	50	1903	11	41	77	7072	2685	121	3.3	8	12.90
Bell 0.2	2/14/2022	72								6.8	4	11.70
Bell 0.2	3/14/2022	40	2594	6	22	52	6746	3109	94	7.4	4	11.80
Bell 0.2	4/26/2022	42								8.4	3.5	11.80
Bell 0.2	5/9/2022	50	2305	6	13	48	6411	3330	90	8.4	5	11.50
Bell 0.2	6/13/2022	1596								11.3	8	10.20
Bell 0.2	7/12/2022	244	2374	14	42	151	7088	2981	236	13.8	8.5	9.50
Bell 0.2	8/8/2022	3108								14.7	7	8.70
Bell 0.2	9/12/2022	730	2057	9	28	147	6668	2815	232	14.6	7	9.30
Bell 0.2	10/10/2022	370								10.9	5.5	10.50
Bell 0.2	11/14/2022	75	2821	6	24	52	7954	3429	82	7.6	2	11.20
Bell 0.2	12/5/2022	18								4.9	1	12.10
Cassalery 0.0	6/13/2022	332								12.6	8	9.70
Cassalery 0.0	7/12/2022	298	900	6	33	20	5101	1008	56	15.2	10	8.70
Cassalery 0.0	8/8/2022	840								15.7	6	8.70
Cassalery 0.0	9/12/2022	410	925	3	24	12	4836	1122	37	14.5	5	9.20

Site	Date	FC (CFU/ 100ml)	NO ₃ -N (µg/L)	NO ₂ -N (µg/L)	NH ₃ -N (µg/L)	PO ₄ -P (µg/L)	SiO ₄ .Si (µg/L)	TN (µg/L)	TP (µg/L)	Temp H ₂ O °C	Turbidity (FNU)	Dissolved Oxygen (mg/L)
Cassalery 0.0	10/10/2022	280								11.4	5	10.20
Cassalery 0.6	1/10/2022	68	1106	8	43	14	5488	1390	40	5.6	5	11.20
Cassalery 0.6	2/14/2022	68								7.5	8	10.80
Cassalery 0.6	3/14/2022	50	1105	3	15	9	5766	1289	25	8.4	5	11.10
Cassalery 0.6	4/26/2022	2								9.6	3	10.70
Cassalery 0.6	5/9/2022	10	1150	2	7	6	5704	1373	21	8.7	3	11.10
Cassalery 0.6	11/14/2022	70	723	9	24	8	5505	1032	26	7.2	2	10.70
Cassalery 0.6	12/5/2022	44								5.1	3	11.10
Chicken Coop 0.24	1/11/2022	62								5.0	74	12.90
Chicken Coop 0.24	5/26/2022	74								9.3	3	11.30
Chicken Coop 0.24	8/9/2022	38								14.1	1	9.90
Chicken Coop 0.24	11/16/2022	4								4.6	1	12.90
Cooper 0.1	1/10/2022	8	320	1	19	18	6818	659	33	3.5	1	10.40
Cooper 0.1	2/14/2022	64								5.9	2	8.70
Cooper 0.1	3/14/2022	38	225	2	27	14	6539	499	36	8.8	2	8.10
Cooper 0.1	4/26/2022	10								12.1	3	9.30
Cooper 0.1	5/9/2022	70	41	2	46	19	6049	415	65	12.0	4	8.90
Cooper 0.1	6/13/2022	86								15.0	5	8.70
Cooper 0.1	7/12/2022	104	15	3	61	27	5414	533	79	18.6	4	7.00
Cooper 0.1	8/8/2022	52								18.2	5	5.80
Cooper 0.1	9/12/2022	4	61	5	72	20	6346	303	49	14.7	3	5.80
Cooper 0.1	10/10/2022	34								11.2	2	6.90
Cooper 0.1	11/14/2022	82	243	2	63	19	5464	561	43	6.4	2	8.30
Cooper 0.1	12/5/2022	16								5.2	5	8.30
Dean 0.17	1/11/2022	24								4.0	40	13.30
Dean 0.17	8/9/2022	106								15.5	1	8.40
Dean 0.17	11/16/2022	4								3.8	10	13.40
Dungeness 0.7	1/10/2022	12	116	0	2	6	3200	274	20	3.7	5	13.20
Dungeness 0.7	2/14/2022	10								7.9	4	11.80
Dungeness 0.7	3/14/2022	10	60	0	2	3	3322	182	11	6.4	2	12.50
Dungeness 0.7	4/26/2022	4								7.5	2	12.20
Dungeness 0.7	5/9/2022	10	30	0	0	4	3243	149	11	7.5	2	12.00

Site	Date	FC (CFU/ 100ml)	NO ₃ -N (µg/L)	NO ₂ -N (µg/L)	NH ₃ -N (µg/L)	PO ₄ -P (µg/L)	SiO ₄ .Si (µg/L)	TN (µg/L)	TP (µg/L)	Temp H ₂ O °C	Turbidity (FNU)	Dissolved Oxygen (mg/L)
Dungeness 0.7	6/13/2022	12								9.0	8	11.50
Dungeness 0.7	7/12/2022	40	19	0	2	3	2216	86	17	12.4	4	10.70
Dungeness 0.7	8/8/2022	36								14.1	2	10.50
Dungeness 0.7	9/12/2022	40	86	1	11	4	3184	166	14	13.9	0	10.50
Dungeness 0.7	10/10/2022	36								11.7	1	11.00
Dungeness 0.7	11/14/2022	4	47	0	0	5	2475	173	21	5.9	1	12.20
Dungeness 0.7	12/5/2022	16								3.8	2	13.10
Gierin 1.8	1/11/2022	52								4.6	4	12.10
Gierin 1.8	5/26/2022	40								10.3	9	10.70
Gierin 1.8	8/9/2022	128								14.4	16	9.80
Gierin 1.8	11/16/2022	84								5.7	5	12.00
Golden Sands Slough 0.0	2/14/2022	18								7.9	1	8.40
Golden Sands Slough 0.0	3/14/2022	4	315	5	26	55	1268	682	105	8.8	15	8.60
Golden Sands Slough 0.0	4/26/2022	4								14.0	5	8.40
Golden Sands Slough 0.0	5/9/2022	110	5	1	59	22	969	634	91	15.4	3	9.90
Golden Sands Slough 0.0	6/13/2022	172								16.0	5	7.80
Golden Sands Slough 0.0	7/12/2022	232	5	1	47	35	1579	589	103	19.5	3	10.10
Golden Sands Slough 0.0	8/8/2022	24								21.3	4	10.00
Golden Sands Slough 0.0	9/12/2022	6	4	4	92	41	972	509	80	17.5	4	9.60
Golden Sands Slough 0.0	10/10/2022	10								14.2	5	9.90
Golden Sands Slough 0.0	11/14/2022	170	22	4	768	101	6284	1930	350	8.7	47	0.00
Golden Sands Slough 0.0	12/5/2022	48								6.1	10	7.50
Hurd 0.2	1/11/2022	2								8.6	1	10.00
Hurd 0.2	5/26/2022	10								9.7	1	10.00
Hurd 0.2	8/9/2022	22								10.4	1	9.30
Hurd 0.2	11/16/2022	4								9.1	0	10.00
Jimmycomelately 0.15	1/10/2022	2	407	1	0	12	6714	711	31	3.4	7	13.30
Jimmycomelately 0.15	2/14/2022	8								4.2	2	12.60
Jimmycomelately 0.15	3/14/2022	4	205	1	1	15	7734	430	27	5.5	3	12.40
Jimmycomelately 0.15	4/26/2022	4								6.3	5	12.20
Jimmycomelately 0.15	5/9/2022	10	156	1	0	10	7157	454	28	5.2	6	12.50
Jimmycomelately 0.15	6/13/2022	12								9.2	4	11.20

Site	Date	FC (CFU/ 100ml)	NO ₃ -N (µg/L)	NO ₂ -N (µg/L)	NH ₃ -N (µg/L)	PO ₄ -P (µg/L)	SiO ₄ .Si (µg/L)	TN (µg/L)	TP (µg/L)	Temp H ₂ O °C	Turbidity (FNU)	Dissolved Oxygen (mg/L)
Jimmycomelately 0.15	7/12/2022	42	116	1	5	21	8122	280	39	12.9	1	9.90
Jimmycomelately 0.15	8/8/2022	368								14.1	1	9.40
Jimmycomelately 0.15	9/12/2022	24	255	3	128	37	8561	652	85	13.3	11	8.40
Jimmycomelately 0.15	10/10/2022	68								11.2	1	7.60
Jimmycomelately 0.15	11/14/2022	20	378	1	4	17	7482	703	32	4.4	2	12.50
Jimmycomelately 0.15	12/5/2022	12								2.5	1	13.00
Johnson 0.0	1/10/2022	10	328	3	30	42	7278	930	87	2.9	23	13.70
Johnson 0.0	2/14/2022	8								4.9	2	12.70
Johnson 0.0	3/14/2022	8	209	1	3	39	8232	571	55	5.8	5	12.70
Johnson 0.0	4/26/2022	4								7.6	4	12.10
Johnson 0.0	5/9/2022	10	118	2	2	25	6665	465	44	6.5	8	12.30
Johnson 0.0	6/13/2022	58								9.6	5	11.40
Johnson 0.0	7/12/2022	78	353	2	10	50	8406	495	75	13.7	1	10.10
Johnson 0.0	8/8/2022	86								14.8	1	9.90
Johnson 0.0	9/12/2022	32	225	1	3	44	7061	368	72	14.3	1	10.00
Johnson 0.0	10/10/2022	88								11.2	1	10.80
Johnson 0.0	11/14/2022	16	45	1	1	46	9178	301	65	5.1	2	12.70
Johnson 0.0	12/5/2022	8								2.3	0	13.50
Lotzgesell 0.1	1/10/2022	40	1545	5	15	13	6589	1873	34	6.6	6	10.40
Lotzgesell 0.1	2/14/2022	46								8.3	5	10.40
Lotzgesell 0.1	3/14/2022	2	1943	3	8	9	7038	2224	31	9.8	5	10.70
Lotzgesell 0.1	4/26/2022	18								10.6	5	10.80
Lotzgesell 0.1	5/9/2022	110	1989	3	6	8	6939	2290	28	10.7	6	10.80
Lotzgesell 0.1	6/13/2022	222								11.8	7	9.80
Lotzgesell 0.1	7/12/2022	188	2116	5	13	9	7022	2317	39	12.9	8	9.20
Lotzgesell 0.1	8/8/2022	210								12.9	7	9.30
Lotzgesell 0.1	9/12/2022	80	2166	4	14	8	6811	2280	36	17.5	5	9.70
Lotzgesell 0.1	10/10/2022	264								11.0	5	9.80
Lotzgesell 0.1	11/14/2022	20	1511	3	7	12	7530	1745	32	8.4	2	8.80
Lotzgesell 0.1	12/5/2022	4								6.6	2	9.80
Matriotti 0.3a	1/10/2022	40	1545	5	15	13	6589	1873	34	6.6	6	10.40
Matriotti 0.3a	2/14/2022	46								8.3	5	10.40

Site	Date	FC (CFU/ 100ml)	NO ₃ -N (µg/L)	NO ₂ -N (µg/L)	NH ₃ -N (µg/L)	PO ₄ -P (µg/L)	SiO ₄ .Si (µg/L)	TN (µg/L)	TP (µg/L)	Temp H ₂ O °C	Turbidity (FNU)	Dissolved Oxygen (mg/L)
Matriotti 0.3a	3/14/2022	2	1943	3	8	9	7038	2224	31	9.8	5	10.70
Matriotti 0.3a	4/26/2022	18								10.6	5	10.80
Matriotti 0.3a	5/9/2022	110	1989	3	6	8	6939	2290	28	10.7	6	10.80
Matriotti 0.3a	6/13/2022	222								11.8	7	9.80
Matriotti 0.3a	7/12/2022	188	2116	5	13	9	7022	2317	39	12.9	8	9.20
Matriotti 0.3a	8/8/2022	210								12.9	7	9.30
Matriotti 0.3a	9/12/2022	80	2166	4	14	8	6811	2280	36	17.5	5	9.70
Matriotti 0.3a	10/10/2022	264								11.0	5	9.80
Matriotti 0.3a	11/14/2022	20	1511	3	7	12	7530	1745	32	8.4	2	8.80
Matriotti 0.3a	12/5/2022	4								6.6	2	9.80
McDonald 01.6	1/11/2022	30								3.1	21	13.60
McDonald 01.6	5/26/2022	14								9.3	2	11.60
McDonald 01.6	8/9/2022	134								14.4	2	10.20
McDonald 01.6	11/16/2022	24								3.9	1	13.30
Meadowbrook 0.2	1/10/2022	60	287	4	78	34	3256	687	72	5.4	10	8.30
Meadowbrook 0.2	2/14/2022	100								6.7	3	9.60
Meadowbrook 0.2	3/14/2022	42	153	3	66	16	5770	392	40	9.1	2	9.70
Meadowbrook 0.2	4/26/2022	28								11.8	4	9.00
Meadowbrook 0.2	5/9/2022	50	48	2	46	14	5674	301	47	12.6	4	8.90
Meadowbrook 0.2	6/13/2022	100								14.7	4	8.60
Meadowbrook 0.2	7/12/2022	76	27	2	63	18	5233	377	71	17.9	4	8.30
Meadowbrook 0.2	8/8/2022	1512								19.0	18	6.10
Meadowbrook 0.2	9/12/2022	20	66	4	40	17	5082	233	41	15.1	2	8.20
Meadowbrook 0.2	10/10/2022	36								12.4	3	8.30
Meadowbrook 0.2	11/14/2022	132	127	5	126	53	4495	596	106	7.5	4	6.50
Meadowbrook 0.2	12/5/2022	128								6.9	2	6.20
No Name 0.03	1/11/2022	18								5.2	72	12.80
No Name 0.03	5/26/2022	2								10.1	6	11.20
No Name 0.03	8/9/2022	242								17.0	17	8.90
No Name 0.03	11/16/2022	36								6.1	2	12.50
Sequim Bay State Park Creek 0.0	3/14/2022	2	58	1	23	40	7505	585	60	6.3	4	12.30
Sequim Bay State Park Creek 0.0	4/26/2022	24								8.3	3	11.60

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Sequim Bay State Park Creek 0.0	5/9/2022	30	21	2	3	44	7860	625	70	7.5	5	11.80
Sequim Bay State Park Creek 0.0	6/13/2022	16								11.1	2	10.60
Sequim Bay State Park Creek 0.0	8/8/2022	124								14.9	2	7.10
Sequim Bay State Park Creek 0.0	12/5/2022	4								3.2	3	13.30
Sequim Bay State Park Creek 0.1	7/12/2022	32	249	1	1	61	8061	619	81	13.0	2	9.50
Sequim Bay State Park Creek 0.1	11/14/2022	4	8	1	3	62	7188	511	80	5.8	1	12.40
Siebert 1.0	1/11/2022	20								3.3	32	13.50
Siebert 1.0	5/26/2022	4								9.7	1	11.50
Siebert 1.0	8/9/2022	34								14.6	1	10.20
Siebert 1.0	11/16/2022	4								3.4	1	13.50

Appendix C: Charts of Additional Physical and Chemical Parameters

Summaries of data collected per Streamkeepers QAPP (in addition to data collected per the PIC QAPP) are presented in the charts below.

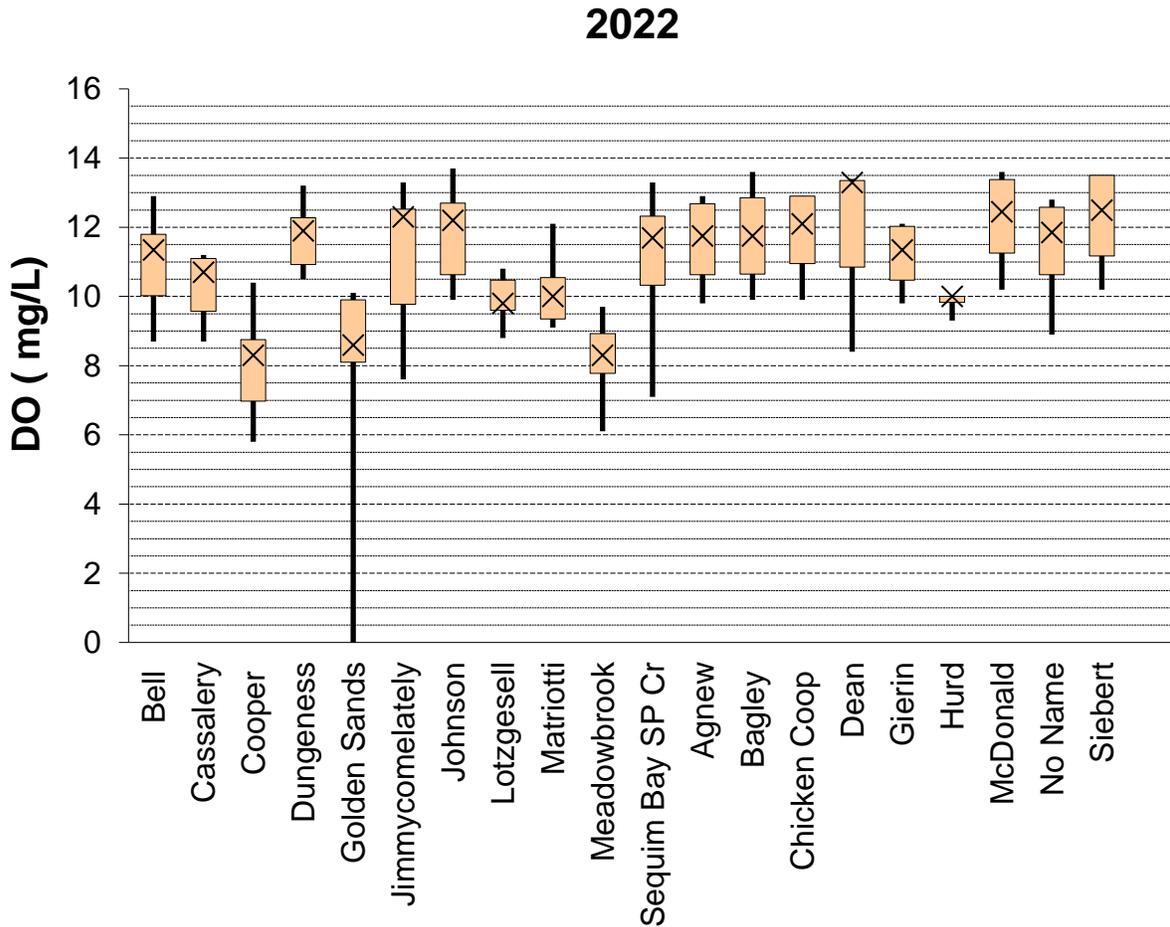


Figure 14. Dissolved Oxygen, all CWD streams. X marks median; bottom and top of box represent 1st and 3rd quartiles; ends of whiskers represent min. and max. values. According to Washington State Freshwater Aquatic Life Criteria for salmonid spawning and rearing, the 1-day minimum D.O. for Core Summer Salmonid Habitat is 9.5 mg/L (WAC 173-201A-200, 2019). According to Washington State Marine Aquatic Life Criteria for fish and shellfish spawning and rearing (extraordinary quality category), the 1-day minimum D.O. is 7.0 mg/L (WAC 173-201A-210, 2022).

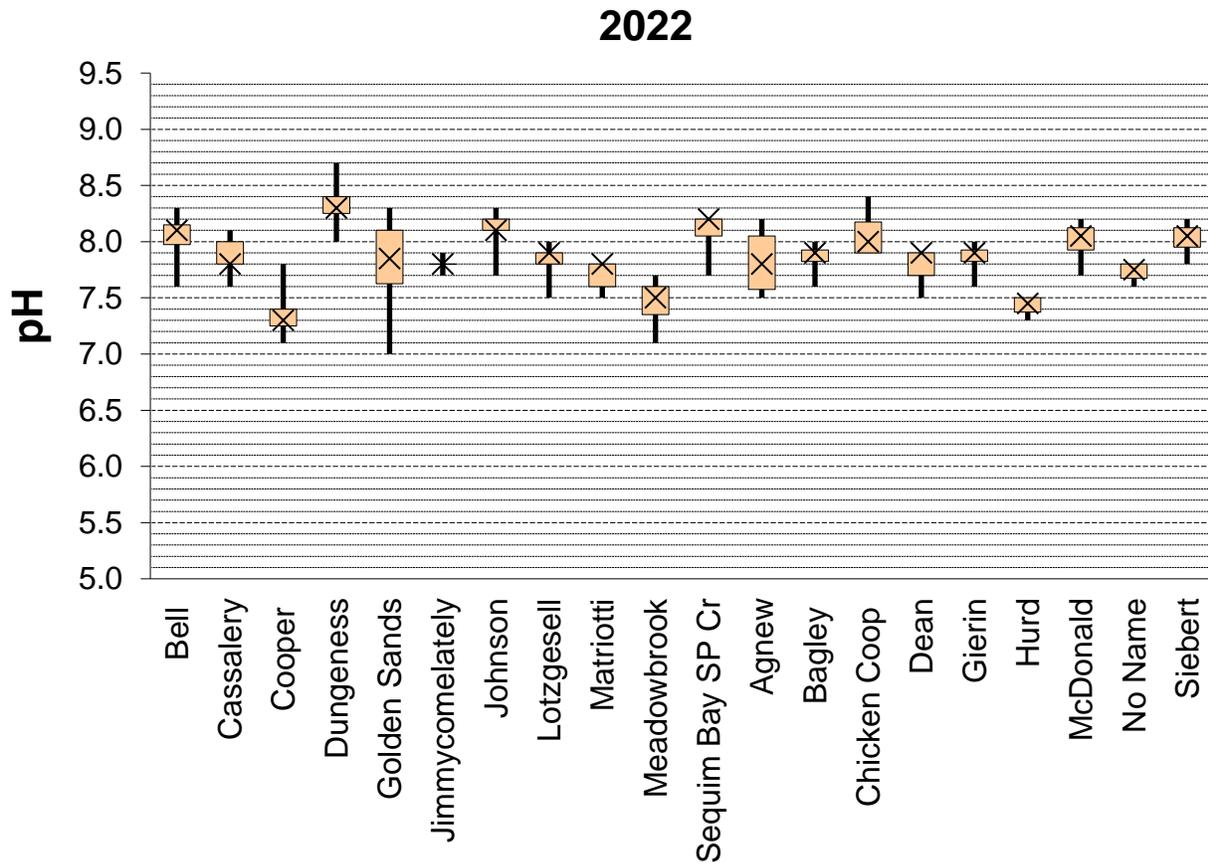


Figure 15. pH, all CWD streams. X marks median; bottom and top of box represent 1st and 3rd quartiles; ends of whiskers represent min. and max. values. According to Washington State Freshwater Aquatic Life Criteria for Core Summer Salmonid Habitat, pH should be in the range 6.5-8.5 (WAC 173-201A-200, 2022).

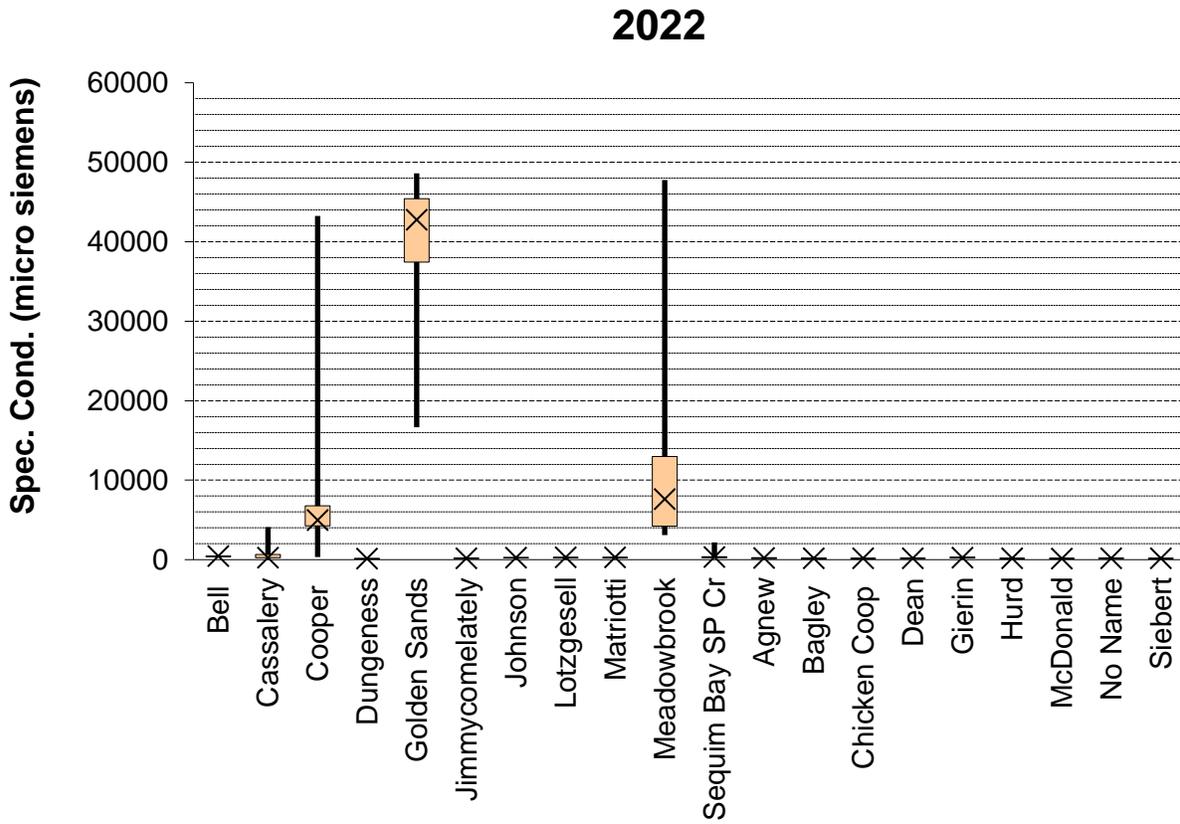


Figure 16. Specific conductivity, all CWD streams. X marks median; bottom and top of box represent 1st and 3rd quartiles; ends of whiskers represent min. and max. values.

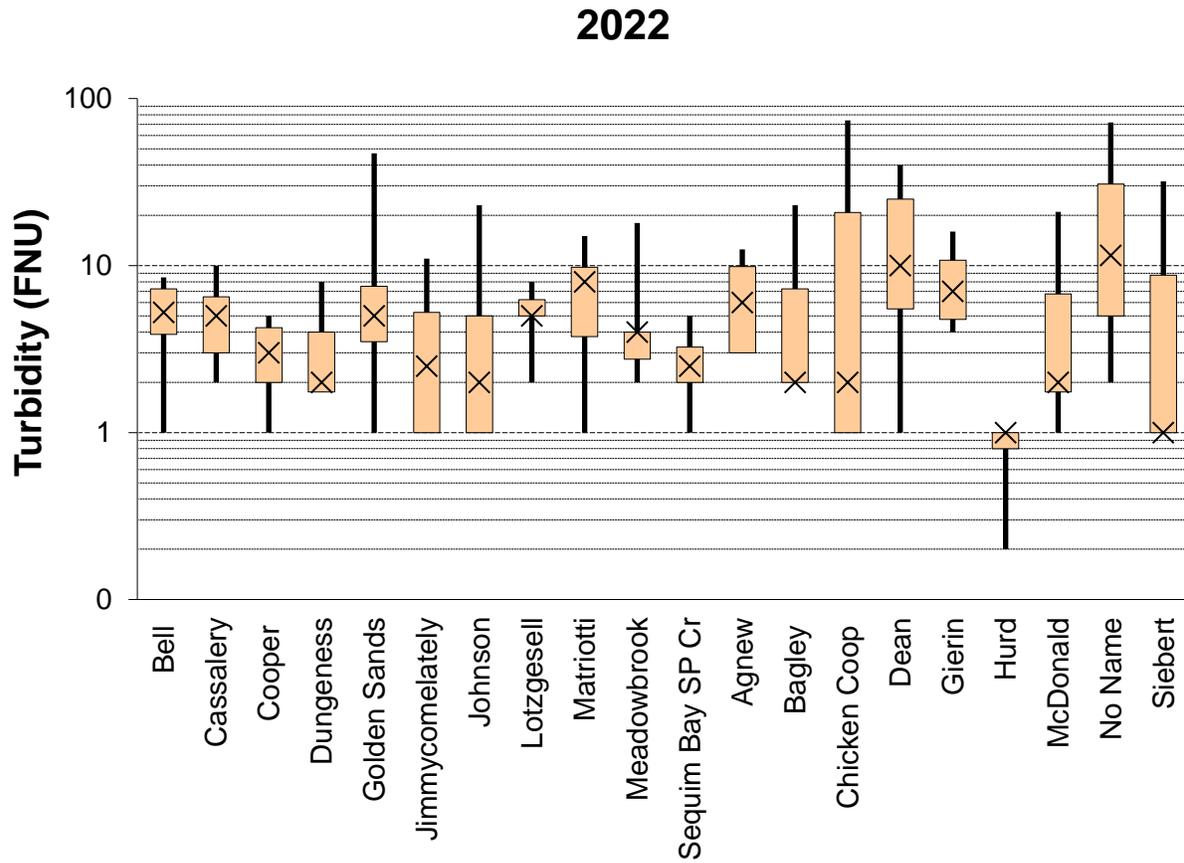


Figure 17. Turbidity, all CWD streams. Note log scale. X marks median; bottom and top of box represent 1st and 3rd quartiles; ends of whiskers represent min. and max. values.