Day in the Life of the Hudson River 10/20/15 Data RIVER MILE 47

Popolopen Creek Beach, Fort Montgomery, Orange County Kali Bird, Hudson Highland Land Trust

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Latitude N 41°324532 Longitude W 73°988701

Location: Popolopen suspension bridge and creek, Fort Montgomery, Orange County

Area: Forested & grassy area

Surrounding Land Use: 100 % forested, banks altered but mainly natural, covered in

vegetation, beach

Sampling Site: creek shoreline in ravine or Popolopen Creek, 5 % sandy, 50% muddy

and 45% rocky

River Bottom – muddy & rocky

Plants in water – Eurasian milfoil and water chestnut

ITEM	Time	Reading 1	Reading 2	Comments	
Physical					
•	NR				
Air Temperature	NK				
Wind Speed	9:10 AM	Beaufort #3			
Cloud Cover	9:10 AM	26-50%			
Weather today	No rain				
Weather recently	cold				
Water Surface					
Water	9:30 AM	52 °F	12°C		
Temperature –	9:32	52	12		
•	9:34	52	12		
Turbidity –	10:36 AM	Long site	58 cm	48.67 cm	
•		tube	43 cm	average	
			45 cm		
Chemical					
DO	NR				
(drop kits)					
pH – color match	10:05AM	6.8			
Salinity -	NR				
Fish Catch-	Number	Species	Length	Diversity/	
Noon	Caught	_		Totals	
9-11AM- 8 ft.	16	White Perch	6 cm	DIV = 6	
net X 4ft.				Totals - 42	
8 pulls	2	American	12 cm		
		Eel`			
	1	Striped	6 cm		
		Bass			
	2	Bay	6 cm		
		Anchovy			
	15	Sunfish	6 cm		
	6	Sucker	8 cm		

Macro	1 (F)	Bluecrab	DIV – 1; Totals - 1
Tides	9:08 AM	57 cm	
	9:24 AM	53 cm	Falling
	10:30 AM	40 cm	Falling
Currents	9:30-10:30		Ebb
Trains No Boats	9:30 AM	CSX	Southbound
	11:00 AM	CSX	Northbound
Observations	Turkey vultures, gray squirrels	The creek is intersected by a railroad	Rocks, leaves, manicured hiking area, fallen trees, water chestnut seeds, shrubs
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