Snapshot Day 10/14/10 Data (Salt Front RM 36.0 RIVER MILE 25W Piermont Pier Lamont-Doherty Earth Observatory



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Latitude N 41 degrees 02'590 Longitude W 73 degrees 53'789



Location: Piermont Pier, Piermont NY **Area:** Man made fishing/shipping pier at the east end, long pier with paved roadway and vegetation along both sides

Surrounding Land Use: Urban/residential

80%, Forested 20%

Sampling Site: Pier, roadway in center of whole pier, parking area at end, Plants and trees along side. Shoreline Rip Rap, collected wood in area and piping entering river on the South of sampling site

Plants in area: some plants in the water but lots of plants along pier & lots of water celery washed up on shore

Water depth: Varied by location on the pier and by tide

River Bottom – sandy/rocky bottom with marsh grass growing in or near the water

Plants in area: sumac 30%; marsh plants 70%; reeds & cattails

ITEM	Time	Reading 1		Comments	
Physical					
Air	9:30 AM	15°C	10:00 AM	14°C	
Temperature		59°F		57.2 °F	
	10:30 AM	14.9 °C	11:00 AM	16.5 °C	
		58.8°F		61.7	
	11:30 AM	22°C	12:30 PM	19 °C	
		71.6 °F		66 °F	
	12:50 PM	19 °C	1:20 P	17 °C	
		66.2°F		62.6°F	
	1:40 PM	18.5 °C			
		65.3 °F			
Wind Speed	Time	Beaufort # &	Anenometer	Direction	
•		Direction			
Very windy	9:30 AM	3 - N	8 knots	Partly Cloudy	
	10:00 AM	3 - N	7.5 knots	Partly Cloudy	
	10:30 AM	2 - N	4 knots	Sunny & some	
				clouds	
	11:00 AM	1 - NW	2.75 knots	Partly Cloudy	
	11:30 AM	1 - NE	1.0 knots	Partly Cloudy	
	12:30 AM	3 - SE	7 knots	Mostly Cloudy	
	12:50 PM	2 - SE	5 knots	Mostly Cloudy	
	1:20 PM	2 - SE	6 knots	Mostly Cloudy	
	1:40 PM	1 - SE	3 kts.	Mostly Cloudy	
Cloud Cover	Partly cloud				
Weather today	9:30 AM - cool but nice and sunny, windy by PM cloudy and cooler				
Weather recently	Cold and windy				
Water				Average	
Temperature				Tiverage	
1	9:45 AM	16°C	17°C	16.5°C	
	10:20AM	16°C	18.4 °C	17.2°C	
	11:00AM	17°C	19°C	18.5°C	
	12:20PM	17°C	18°C	17.5°C	
	1:15 PM	17°C	18.2°C	17.6°C	
Turbidity –	9:40 AM	19.8 cm	Average	Long site tube	
	10:02 AM	28.9 cm			
	10:08 AM	30.2 cm			
	10:48 AM	22.8 cm and 21.0 cm	21.9 cm		
	11:05 AM	28.6 and 27.0 cm	27.5 cm		
	11:38 AM	28.2 cm			
	12:35 PM	16.1 and 15.2 cm	15.6 cm		

	12:48 PM	17.6 cm and 17.6 cm	17.6 cm	
	1:03 PM	17.6 cm		
	1:21 PM	26.cm		
	1:30 PM	22.0 cm		
Chlorophyll	9:40 AM	4. 0, 2.0, 1.75		North side of pier/windward
	10:26 AM	1.5		South side of pier/lee side
	10:48 AM	3.5		<u> </u>
	11:05 AM	1.8		
	11:38 AM	1.5 – 2.0		Wind changed directions
	12:35 PM	2.0		
	12:48 PM	5.0, 2.0, 1.5		
	1:30 PM	2.0		
Chemical	SURFACE SAMPLES	(Niskin bottle broke)		
DO – group #1	9:45 AM	8 mg/L	16°C	80%
Drop count	10:20AM	8 mg/L	16°C	80%
	11:00AM	10 mg/L	17°C	100%
	12:20PM	8 mg/L	17°C	85%
	1:15 PM	12 mg/L	17°C	125%
DO –group #2	10:00 AM		17°C	
	10:34 AM	7 mg/L	18.4 °C	75%
	11:06 AM	13 mg/L	19°C	140 %
	12:28 PM	6 mg/L	18°C	110%
	1:14 PM	13 mg/L	18.2°C	140%
рН	9:45 AM	7.5	7.5	
colorimeter	10:20AM	7.3	7.3	
	11:00AM	7.4	7.5	
	12:20PM	7.3	7.4	
	1:15 PM	7.2	7.5	
Phosphate	9:45 AM	Not read		
colorimeter	10:20AM	<1 mg/L	.3 mg/L	
	11:00AM	0.06 mg/L	0.1 mg/L	
	12:20PM	0.06 mg/L	0.24 mg/L	
	1:15 PM	0.06 mg/L	0.164 mg/L	
Nitrate	9:45 AM	<0.2 mg/L – high range		
Drop count	10:20AM		0	
	11:00AM	<0.1 ppm – low range	<0.44 mg/L	
	12:20PM	<0.1 ppm- low range	<0.44 mg/L	
	1:15 PM		<0.44 mg/L	

Alkalinity	9:45 AM	40 ppm		150 ppm	
Drop count	10:20AM	96 ppm		145 ppm	
•	11:00AM	88 ppm		68 ppm X2	
	12:20PM	100 ppm		64 ppm	
	1:15 PM	11		72 ppm	
				60 ppm	
				84 ppm	
Salinity -	9:45 AM	Hydrometer		Refractometer	
-		1.2 ppt		1 ppt	
	10:20AM	0 ppt		1.4 ppt	
	11:00AM	1.5 ppt		2.0 ppt	
	12:20PM	0.85 ppt		2.0 ppt	
	1:15 PM	0.85 ppt		1-2 ppt	
Tides-	Tide Stick	Tide		Rate of	Water Depth
Time				Change	end of pier-cm
9:26 AM	20 cm				410 *falling
9:54 AM	22.5 cm	ebb	ebb		403.5
10:19 AM	27.5 cm	Rising		.19 cm/min	402
10:45 AM					391
10:58 AM	35 cm	Rising		.2 cm/min	401 *rising
11:17 AM	42 cm	Rising		.33 cm/min	419
12:22 PM	68 cm	Rising		.34 cm/min	445
12:55 PM	85 cm	Rising		.43 cm/min	466
1:14 PM					465
1:34 PM		Rising			513
Currents	Time	CM/60 SEC		Cm per sec	
	9:26 AM	666 /South		11.1	
	10:03 AM	M 803/South Ebb		13.4	
	10:29 AM			5.7	
	10:40 AM				
	10:58 AM	520/North Flood			
	11:25 AM	2164/North		36.1	
	12:30 PM	3190/North		53.1	
	1:02 PM	3300/North		55.0	
	1:14 PM				
	1:34 PM	2850/North		47.5	
Fish Catch	Number	Species	Measure	Seine 30 m	TIME &
Northside of	Caught	Species	of largest	Seine Ju m	CATCH
pier					
5 rotations –	33	Atlantic	11 cm		10:00 AM
2 netse each		Silverside			
	2	Striped Bass	7 cm		Diversity 3

	8	Juvenile Blue Crabs	2.5 cm		43 total catch
	16	Atlantic Silverside	8 cm		10:40 AM
	10	Striped Bass	12 cm		
	1	Mummichog Killifish Baby Blue Crabs Atlantic Silverside Striped Bass White Perch Baby Blue Crab Striped Bass Silverside		7 cm	
	2			6 cm	Diversity 5
	38			3 cm	67 total catch
	23			11 cm	11:03 AM
	9			10 cm	
	1			18 cm	Diversity 4
	6			1.5 cm	39 total
	13			14 cm	12:45 PM
	33			11 cm	
	2	White Perch Herring	20 cm		
	17		7 cm	Diversity 5	
	2	Baby Blue Crab		2 cm	67 total catch
	31	Atlantic Silverside	7 cm	1:30 PM	
	5	Striped Bass		22 cm	Diversity 3
	22 Herrings		5 cm	58 total	
		Grand Total			Diversity 7 Count 274
SHIPPING 12:00 PM		Riverkeeper	boat	Northbound	
	1:04 PM	Bouchard Ba	arge /Black	Northbound	Full