Day in the Life of the Hudson River 10/4/12 Data RIVER MILE 11.5 – Fort Washington Park Greg Benedis-Grab & Lisbeth Uribe – The School at Columbia Beth Stauffer – Lamont-Doherty Earth Observatory 52 students 6th grade, 10 adults Latitude 40°50.769' N – Longitude 73.°56.780'W

Location: Fort Washington Park just South of the George Washington Bridge **Area:** Pier, grassy, park/Boat launch, used for picnics, boating and fishing

Surrounding Land Use: : 20% forested, 80% grass park land

Sampling Site: Park with a lot of trees, picnic tables, covered with vegetation, riprap

shore, collected wood debris.

Plants in water: Water depth: 2-3 ft.

River Bottom –muddy and rocky

ITEM	Time	Reading 1	Reading 2	Comments
Physical				
Air Temperature	10:50AM	24°C		
	11:10 AM	24		
	11:33 AM	24		
	11:59 AM	23		
	12:17 PM	23		
Wind Speed	10:40 AM	0 m/h	Beaufort 1	
	11:10 AM	0 m/h		
	11:39 AM	0.6 m/h		
	12:17 PM	2 ,/h		
Cloud Cover	cloudy			
Weather today	Light drizzle			
	11 AM			
Weather last 3	Rainy, humid			
days	,			
Water	calm			
Water	10:50 AM	21°C		
Temperature	10:54 AM	20°C		
	11:59 AM	21°C		
Turbidity	Short site	40 JTU		
	tube			
Chlorophyll	11:03 AM	0.3		
	11:25 AM	0.3		
	11:45 AM	0.6		
	12:05 PM	0.6		
Chemical				
DO	12:27 PM	21°C	4 ppm	45% saturation
Drop count				
pН	10:50 AM	7.0		
Indicator solution	11:10 AM	7.5		

	11.00 43.6	7.6		
	11:20 AM	7.6		
	11:50 AM	7.2		
	12:21 PM	7		
Phosphate				
Nitrates				
Salinity	10:50 AM	13 ppt		Average 14.6
hydrometer	11:10 AM	15		ppt
	11:20 AM	16		
	11:50 AM	14		
	12:24 PM	15		
Fish Catch	Number	Species		
	Caught			
	3	Blue crabs		
Tides	10:00 AM	Rising	0 cm	
	11:07AM	Rising	18 cm	
	11:42 AM	Rising	27 cm	
	12:15 PM	Rising	30 cm	
	12:25 PM	Rising	31 cm	
Currents	CM/60 secs	Cm/Sec	North/South	Knots
			Ebb/Flood/Still	
10:00 AM	0	0	Still*	*LT was at
				6:06 AM so
				this was
				midcycle –
				perhaps stuck
				in an eddy
12:03 PM	84	1.4	North - Flood	
Turbidity				
Core Description	Total Length	Top Layer	Second Layer	Describe
Commercial	10:55 AM	Small	Southbound	N/A
Traffic		sailboat		
	11:49 AM	Barge	Southbound	Half loaded
	12:18 PM	Circle line	North	loaded