**Day in the Life of the Hudson River 10/21/14 Data**

**(Salt Front RM 64.3)**

**RIVER MILE 25W**

**Piermont Pier**

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**Latitude N 41 degrees 02’592 Longitude W 73 degrees 53’789**

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| **Tom Mullane, Eileen McCaffrey, and Catherine Bonanno– Pearl River HS APES – 24 Students**  | **Patti Kilkelly,****Tappan Zee High School****10 Environmental Science Students** |

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Latitude 41°02.591N Longitude 073°53.794W

**Location:** Piermont Pier, Piermont NY

**Area:** Man made fishing/shipping pier at the east end, long pier with paved roadway and vegetated strip 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:** no submerged aquatic plants in the water

**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 and other plants 15%; phragmites 85%

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| ***ITEM*** | ***Time*** | ***Temperature*** | ***Weather & Observations*** |
| ***Physical***  |   |  |  |
| **Air Temperature** | 9:32AM | 17°C63°F | Beaufort 1 NorthMph 1-3 |
|  | 9:58 AM | 14.5°C58°F |  |
|  | 10:46 AM  | 14°C57°F | Beaufort 2 North |
|  | 1:03 PM | 16 °C61°F | Beaufort 4 North |
| Weather recent | Rain last few days, wind picked up during day. Clouds.  |
| ***Water Temperature*** | **Time** | **Surface Sample** |  |  |
|  | 9:32AM | 17°C |  |  |
|  | 9:58 AM | 17°C |  |  |
|  | 10:46 AM  | 18°C |  |  |
|  | 1:03 PM | 17°C |  |  |
| ***Turbidity –*** | **Time** | **Long Site Tube** | **Average** | **Secchi** |
| ***Long Site Tube*** | 9:15 AM | 24.8 cm29.9 cm | 27.3 cm | Not read |
|  | 10:00 AM | 42.0 cm37.5 cm | 39.75 cm | 60 cm |
|  | 10:43 AM | 35.1 cm38.5 cm | 36.8 cm | 63 cm |
|  | 12:16 PM | 32.2 cm28.9 cm | 30.55 cm | 46 cm |
| ***Chemical*** | **SAMPLES \* see HRECOS readings appended at the end of the student reporting**  |
| **DO** | **TIME** | **DO Reading** | **Water Temp** | **% Saturation** |
| ***Drop count*** | 9:32AM | 7 ppm | 17°C | 65% |
|  | 9:58 AM | 8 ppm | 17°C | 85% |
|  | 10:46 AM  |  8 ppm | 18°C | 85% |
|  | 1:03 PM | 8 ppm | 17°C | 85% |
| ***pH*** | **TIME** |  |  |  |
| *colorimeter* | 9:32AM | 7.25 |  |  |
|  | 9:58 AM | 7.5 |  |  |
|  | 10:46 AM  | 7.3 |  |  |
|  | 1:03 PM | 7.5 |  |  |
| **Phosphates** | **TIME** |  |  |  |
| *colorimeter* | 1:03 PM | 0.43mg/L |  |  |
| **Nitrates** | **TIME** |  |  |  |
| *Drop count* | 10:46 AM  | 0.44 mg/L |  |  |
|  | 1:03 PM | 0.44 mg/L |  |  |
| **Alkalinity** | **TIME** |  |  |  |
| *Drop count* | 10:46 AM  | 120 ppm |  |  |
|  | 1:03 PM | 108 ppm |  |  |
| ***\*Salinity -*** | **Refracto.** | **Hydrometer Glass****Hydrometer**  | **Quantab ppm cl-** | **\*Quantabs ppm total salinity**  |
| 9:32AM | 9 ppt | 6.7 ppt | *7.3 units - 2603 ppm cl-* | **4702 ppm** |
| 9:58 AM | 10 ppt | 6.7 ppt1.0050 s.g. | *8.2 units - 4067 ppm cl-* | **7347 ppm** |
| 10:46 AM  | 10 ppt | 8.9 ppt1.0065 s.g. | *8.4 units - 4554 ppm cl-* | **8227 ppm** |
| 1:03 PM | 11 ppt | 8.0 ppt1.006 s.g. | *8.4 units - 4554 ppm cl-* | **8227 ppm** |
| ***Tides-*** **Time** | **Pier to river bottom**  | **Pier to water**  | **Water Depth**  | **Tides** | **Currents** |
| 10:27 AM | 552 cm | 138cm | 414 cm | Ebb |  |
| 12:52 PM | 550 cm | 206 cm | 344 cm | Ebb | 27 cm/sec |
| 1:20 PM |  |  | 340 cm | Ebb | 23 cm/sec |
| ***Fish Catch******Northside of pier*** | ***Number Caught*** | ***Species*** | ***Measure of largest*** | ***TIME & CATCH*** |
| ***Rotation #1*** | 117 | Atlantic Silverside | 10 cm | *9:00 AM* |
|  | 12 | Herring | 5 cm | **Diversity 2** |
|  |  |  |  | **129 Total**  |
| ***Rotation #2***  | 24 | Atlantic Silverside | 9.5 cm | *10:00 AM* |
|  | 1 | Striped Bass | 5 cm | **Diversity 5\*** |
|  | 6 | Herring  |  | **33 total catch** |
|  | 1  | Bay Anchovy | 6 cm | **\*not in total** |
|  | 1 | Rough Silverside |  |  |
|  | 25\* | Juvenile moon jellies |  |  |
| ***Rotation #3*** | 22 | Atlantic Silverside | 8 cm | *10:30 AM*  |
|  | 1 | Blue Fish |  | **Diversity 2\*** |
|  | 1\* | Blue Crab (M)  |  | **\*23 Total Catch** |
|  | 8\* | Comb Jelly small  |  | **\*Not in totals** |
|  | 1 | Naked Goby from trap | 3 cm | **24 Total catch** |
| ***Rotation #4*** | 1 | Mummichog | 6.5 cm | *11:30 PM* |
|  | 78 | Atlantic Silverside | 11 cm | **Diversity 3\*** |
|  | 2 | Striped Bass | 10 cm | **81 Total Catch** |
|  | 2\* | Ctenophore\* |  | **\*Not in totals** |
| **Grand Total** | **Count 266****Count 36** | **Fish only****macros**  |  | **Div. 7 fish****Div. 3 macro** |
| ***Plankton***  | **Time** | **ID** | **Magnific.** |  |
|  | 9:30 AM9:34 AM9:30 AM9:34AM10:19 AM 10:19 AM10:22 AM11:00 AM11:00AM11:00 AM11:00 AM11:00 AM12:42 PM12:34 PM | Hydroid medusa Hydroid medusa Anacystis SpeciesAdult copepodPhyto-Diatom Dinoflagellates Larvae of ? Bosmina Adult copepodWater fleaAnacystis speciesMelosira speciesEchinopluteus SpeciesSkeletonema SpeciesBivaliger larva (clam)veliger (snail)  | 10X20X 20X10Xmicrobscope 1X 1Xmicrobscopemicrobscope2.5X10X25microbscope |  |
| **Sediment Cores** | **Length** | **H2S Smell** | **Rare** | **Common** | **Abundant** |
| **9:15AM**  | ***11 cm total:***9-11 clay7-9 silt5-7 fine sand5-4 med.sandtop-pebbles | Yes | Brick | SandSiltClayPebblesLeavesWood | MudSand |
| **9:30 AM** **water 46 cm**  | 10 cm with oxidized top | Yes  | Leaves woodroots | SandGravelpebbles | Claymud |
| **10:40 AM –** **water 76 cm** | 14 cm | Yes | SandPebblesLeavesWood | Clay, mud |  |
| **10:42 AM**  | 13 cmbottom 6 cm woodyTop 7 cm Cap of pebbles |  Yes | MudSandGravelPebblesroots | Sandwood | Clay,wood |
| **12:15 PM –****water 61 cm** | 11 cm | Yes | Sand | mud |  |
| **12:15 PM**  | 11 cm | Yes | Sand | mud |  |
| **12:45 PM** | 9 cm |  |  |  |  |
| **1:09 PM** | 15 cm | Yes | PebblesCoal | LeavesBrick | ClayMudSandWood |
| **1:15 PM****water 75 cm** | 14 cm | Yes | Sand pebbles |  | Clay,  |
| **Other Observations** | Overcast day that ended with rain just as students were leaving. |

***HRECOS Screen Captures on following pages***

HRECOS site is located just behind the rectangular eastern end of the pier attached to one of the pier stations. When operational it is a continuous data feed recorded every 15 minutes.



**DO % Saturation**

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**Air Temperature**

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**DO ppm**

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**Water temperature**

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**pH**

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**Salinity in psu (equates in the Hudson to ppt)**

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**Windspeed in meters per second**

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**Rainfall for today – rain just after we sampled!**

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**Why we sampled on the 21st and not on 10/16/14!**