

# Real-Time Water Quality Deployment Report

## Lower Churchill River Network

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## Real Time Water Quality Monitoring

- Department of Environment and Conservation staff monitors the real-time water quality data on a regular basis.
- This deployment report discusses water quality related events occurring at four stations on the Lower Churchill River: below Grizzle Rapids, above and below Muskrat Falls and at English Point.
- There was no instrument deployed at the station on Lake Melville east of Little River. Instrument deployments at this station have been suspended until a buoy system can be established at this site.
- On September 30 and October 1, 2015, real-time water quality monitoring instruments were deployed at four of the Lower Churchill River Stations for a period ranging between 35 and 40 days. The station below Lower Muskrat Falls was deployed on a trial basis due to improving sand conditions.

## Quality Assurance and Quality Control

- As part of the Quality Assurance and Quality Control protocol (QAQC), an assessment of the reliability of data recorded by an instrument is made at the beginning and end of the deployment period. The procedure is based on the approach used by the United States Geological Survey.
- At deployment and removal, a QAQC Instrument is temporarily deployed alongside the Field Instrument. Values for temperature, pH, conductivity, dissolved oxygen and turbidity are compared between the two instruments. Based on the degree of difference between parameters recorded by the Field Instrument and QAQC Instrument at deployment and at removal, a qualitative statement is made on the data quality (Table 1).

**Table 1: Instrument Performance Ranking classifications for deployment and removal**

	Rank				
Parameter	Excellent	Good	Fair	Marginal	Poor
Temperature (C)	<=+/-0.2	>+/-0.2 to 0.5	>+/-0.5 to 0.8	>+/-0.8 to 1	<+/-1
pH (unit)	<=+/-0.2	>+/-0.2 to 0.5	>+/-0.5 to 0.8	>+/-0.8 to 1	>+/-1
Sp. Conductance (µS/cm)	<=+/-3	>+/-3 to 10	>+/-10 to 15	>+/-15 to 20	>+/-20
Sp. Conductance > 35µS/cm (%)	<=+/-3	>+/-3 to 10	>+/-10 to 15	>+/-15 to 20	>+/-20
Dissolved Oxygen (mg/l) (% Sat)	<=+/-0.3	>+/-0.3 to 0.5	>+/-0.5 to 0.8	>+/-0.8 to 1	>+/-1
Turbidity <40 NTU (NTU)	<=+/-2	>+/-2 to 5	>+/-5 to 8	>+/-8 to 10	>+/-10
Turbidity > 40 NTU (%)	<=+/-5	>+/-5 to 10	>+/-10 to 15	>+/-15 to 20	>+/-20

- It should be noted that the temperature sensor on any instrument is the most important. All other parameters can be broken down into three groups: temperature dependant, temperature compensated and temperature independent. Because the temperature sensor is not isolated from the rest of the instrument the entire instrument must be at the same temperature before the sensor will stabilize. The values may take some time to climb to the appropriate reading; if a reading is taken too soon it may not accurately portray the water body.
- Deployment and removal comparison rankings for the Lower Churchill River stations deployed from September 30 to November 10, 2015 are summarized in Table 2.

**Table 2: Comparison rankings for Lower Churchill River stations September 30 to November 10, 2015**

Churchill River Station and Instrument Number	Date	Action	Comparison Ranking				
			Temperature	pH	Conductivity	Dissolved Oxygen	Turbidity
Below Grizzle Rapids (45709)	September 30, 2015	Deployment	Excellent	Good	Good	Excellent	Excellent
	November 10, 2015	Removal	Excellent	Good	Excellent	Excellent	Excellent
Above upper Muskrat Falls (47590)	September 30, 2015	Deployment	Excellent	Good	Excellent	Excellent	Fair
	November 6, 2015	Removal	Excellent	Fair	Good	Excellent	Good
Below Muskrat Falls (45700)	October 1, 2015	Deployment	Good	Good	Excellent	Excellent	Marginal
	November 6, 2015	Removal	Good	Good	Good	Excellent	Good
At English Point (45042)	October 1, 2015	Deployment	Good	Excellent	Good	Excellent	Good
	November 6, 2015	Removal	Good	Good	Good	Good	Good

- At the station below Grizzle Rapids, temperature, pH, conductivity, dissolved oxygen, and turbidity all rank as 'good' or 'excellent' at deployment. Upon removal, temperature, pH, conductivity, dissolved oxygen, and turbidity all rank as 'good' or 'excellent'.
- At the station above Muskrat Falls, temperature, pH, conductivity, and dissolved oxygen all rank 'good' or 'excellent' at deployment. Turbidity ranked as 'fair'. This discrepancy can be attributed to disturbance of sediment at the time of the reading or a difference in location between the QA/QC sonde and the field sonde. Upon removal, temperature, conductivity, dissolved oxygen, and turbidity all rank as 'good' or 'excellent'. pH ranked as 'fair'. This discrepancy can be attributed to a difference in location or the QA/QC sonde being removed before the sonde has acclimatized to the environment.
- At the station below Muskrat Falls, temperature, pH, conductivity, and dissolved oxygen all rank as 'good' or 'excellent' at deployment. Turbidity ranked as 'marginal'. This discrepancy can be attributed to disturbance of sediment at the time of the reading or a difference in location between the QA/QC sonde

and the field sonde. Upon removal, temperature, pH, conductivity, and dissolved oxygen all rank as 'good' or 'excellent'.

- At the station at English Point, temperature, pH, conductivity, dissolved oxygen, and turbidity all rank as 'good' or 'excellent' at deployment. Upon removal, temperature, pH, conductivity, dissolved oxygen, and turbidity all rank as 'good'.

## **Data Interpretation**

- The following graphs and discussion illustrate water quality related events occurring from September 30 to November 10, 2015 on the Lower Churchill River Network.
- With the exception of water quantity data (stage & flow), all data used in the preparation of the graphs and subsequent discussion below adhere to this stringent QAQC protocol. Water Survey of Canada is responsible for QAQC of water quantity data. Corrected data can be obtained upon request.
- The below Muskrat Falls station has been experiencing issues with sediment in the area. Due to improvements in the sand conditions the sonde was deployed on a trial basis for the monthly period.

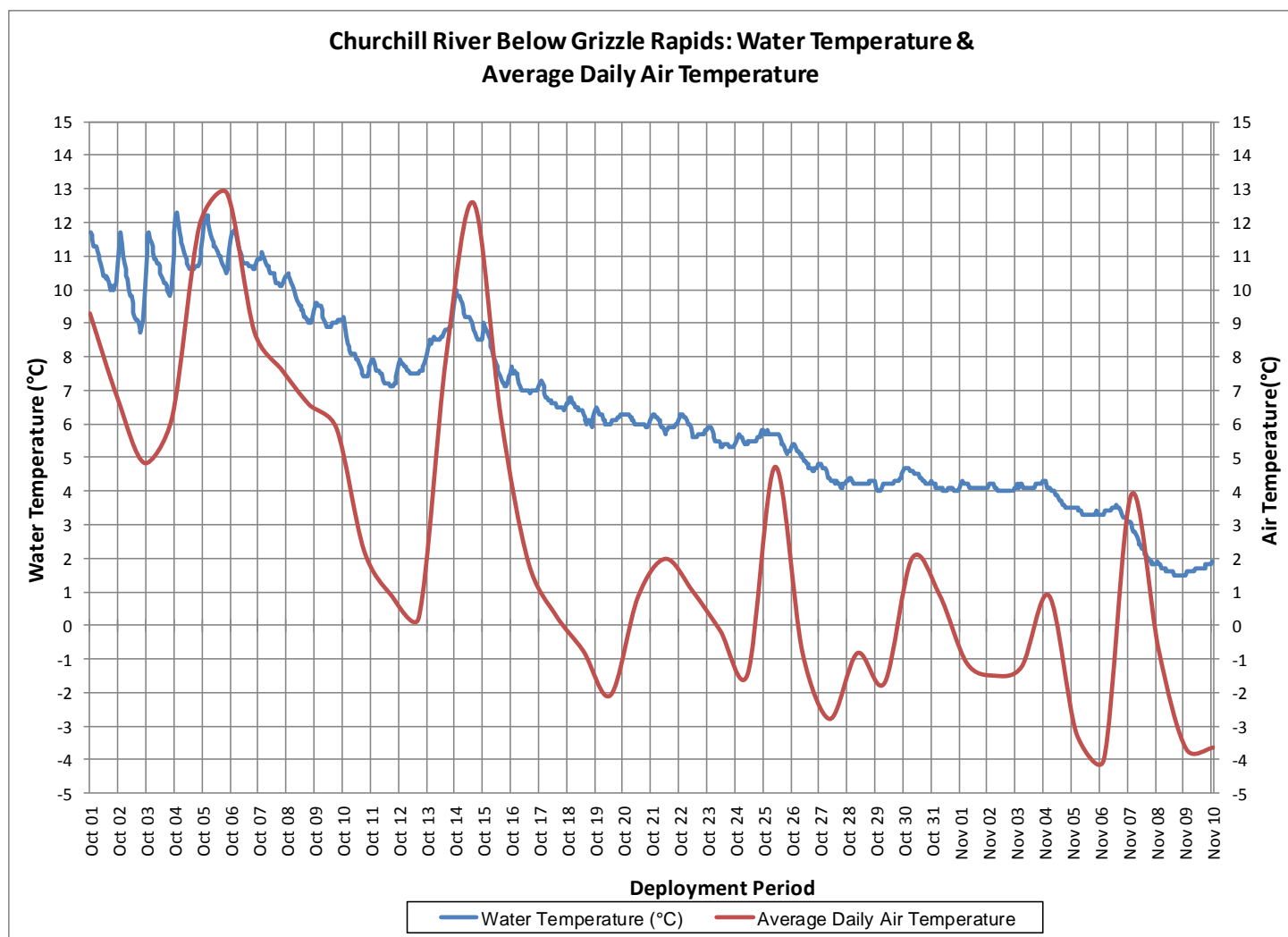


Figure 1: Lower Churchill Network- Station Locations

## Churchill River below Grizzle Rapids

### Water Temperature

- Water temperature ranges from 1.50°C to 13.70°C with a median value of 6.10°C (Figure 2).
- Water temperature is gradually decreasing throughout the deployment period. This trend is expected as air temperatures cool heading towards the winter months.



**Figure 2: Water Temperature & Daily Average Air Temperature (Muskrat Falls Weather Station) at Churchill River below Grizzle Rapids**

## pH

- pH ranges between 6.76 and 7.21 pH units with a median value of 6.92 (Figure 3).
- pH values are stable and fall within the CCME Protection of Aquatic Life Guidelines.

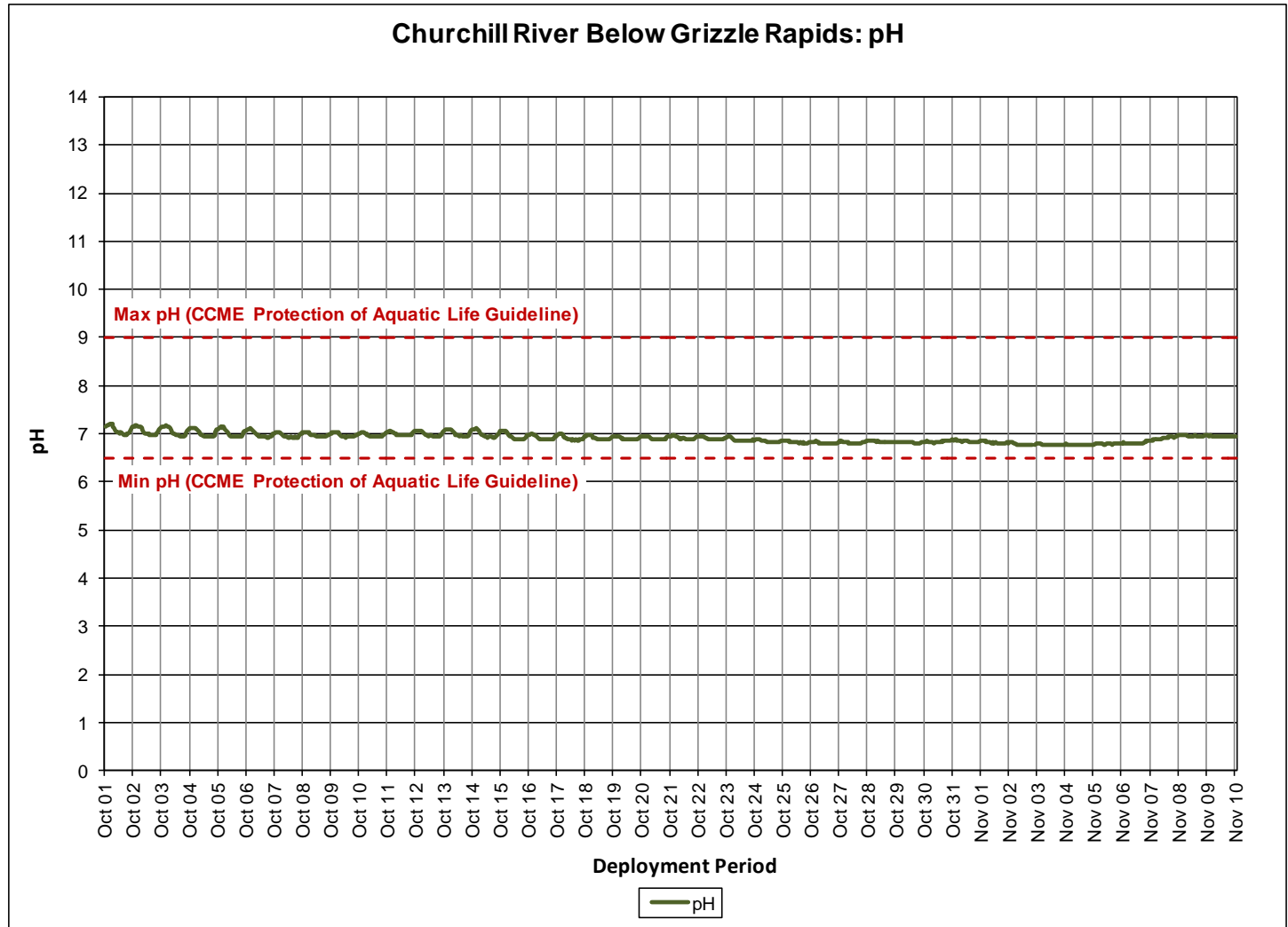


Figure 3: pH at Churchill River below Grizzle Rapids

### Specific Conductivity, TDS and Stage

- Specific conductivity ranges from 12.3 $\mu$ S/cm to 14.9 $\mu$ S/cm with a median of 13.2 $\mu$ S/cm. (Figure 4).
- TDS (total dissolved solids) ranges from 0.0079 g/L to 0.0095 g/L with a median of 0.0084 g/L (Figure 4).
- Specific conductivity and TDS have a direct relationship but are two separate parameters. Specific conductivity is the ability of the water to conduct electricity. Therefore the value of TDS can be estimated by the conductivity of the water.
- The relationship between conductivity and stage are inversed. When stage level rises, the specific conductance levels drops in response as the increased amount of water in the river system dilutes the solids that are present. These parameters all remain relatively stable throughout the deployment period due to a stable stage level and minimal effects from precipitation events.
- Water Survey of Canada (Environment Canada) is responsible for QAQC of water quantity data (stage and flow). Corrected data can be obtained upon request.

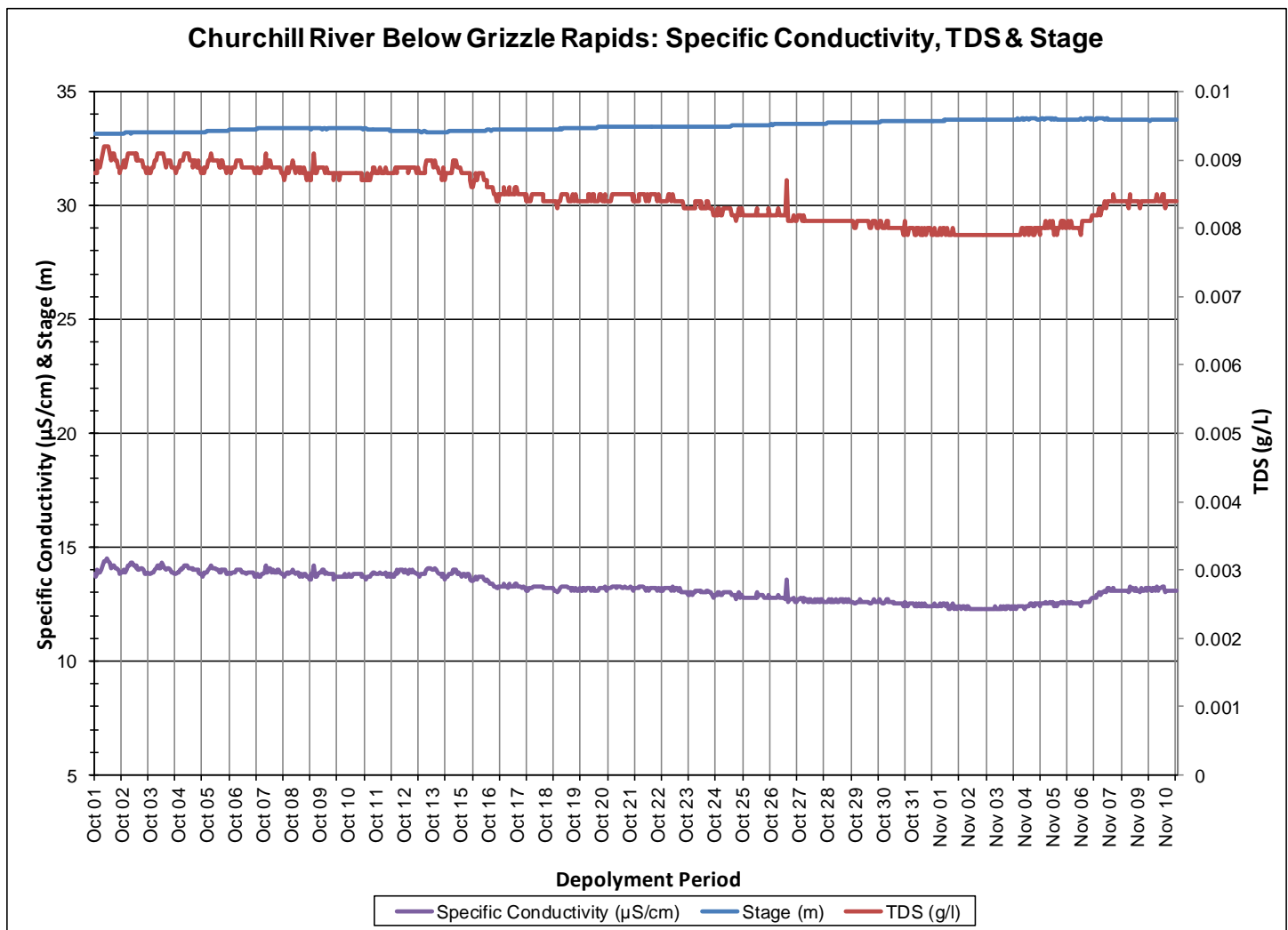


Figure 4: Specific Conductivity, TDS, and stage at Churchill River below Grizzle Rapids

## Dissolved Oxygen

- Dissolved oxygen content ranges between 10.40mg/l and 13.01mg/l with a median value of 11.60mg/l. The saturation of dissolved oxygen ranges from 91.0% to 104.5% with a median value of 94.4% (Figure 5).
- There is an evident relationship between water temperature and dissolved oxygen. Over the deployment period the dissolved oxygen levels are increasing. The dissolved oxygen also follows a diurnal pattern as the water temperature rises and falls under the influence of the ambient air temperature. Generally there is more dissolved oxygen present in a waterbody during cooler temperatures.
- The dissolved oxygen levels remained above the CCME Guidelines for the Protection of Early Life Stages and Other Life Stages.

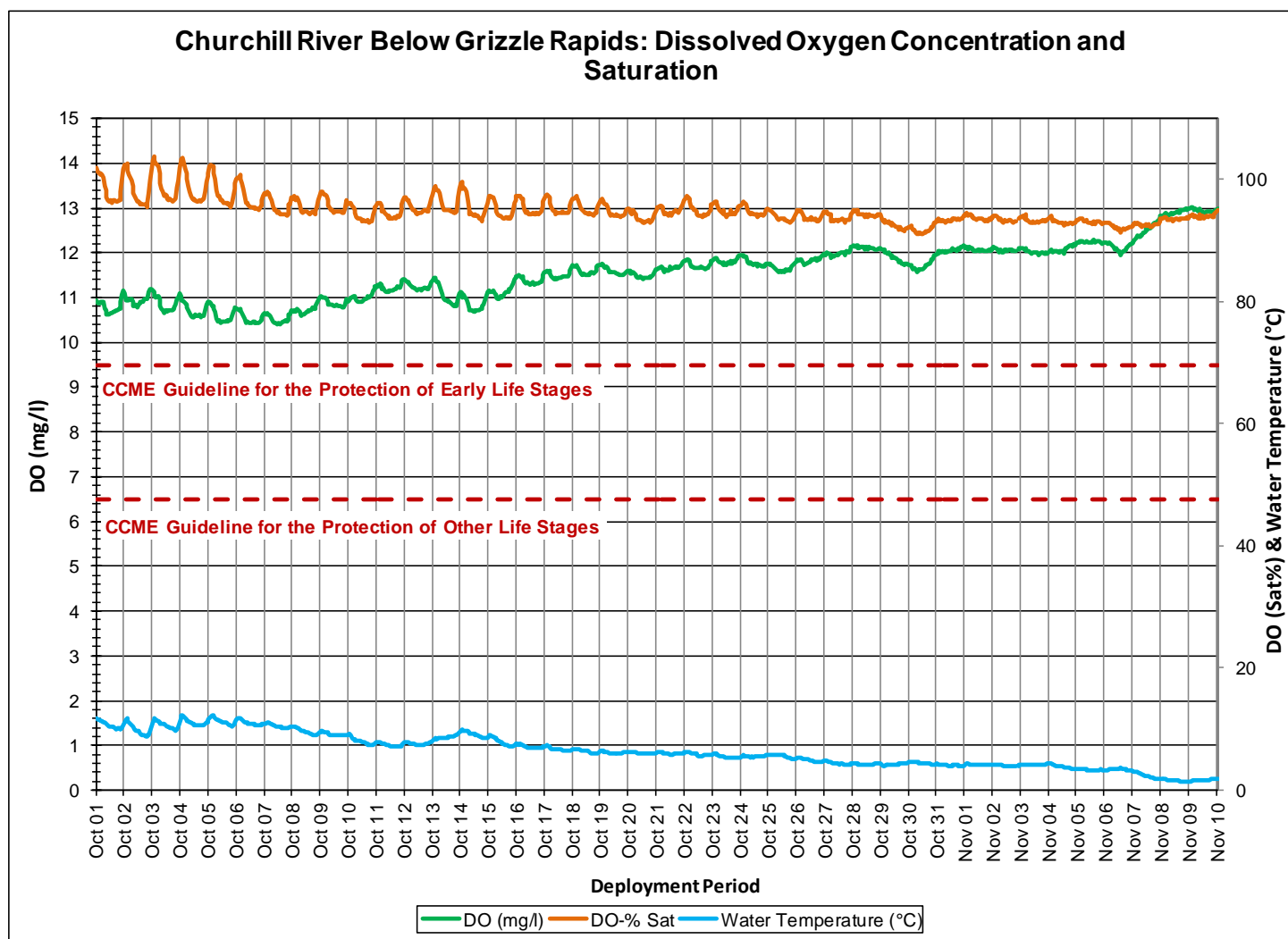


Figure 5: Dissolved Oxygen & Stage at Churchill River below Grizzle Rapids

## Turbidity, Stage & Precipitation

- Turbidity ranges between 0.0NTU and 8.3NTU with a median value of 0.0NTU (Figure 6). A median value of 0.0NTU indicates this station has low background turbidity.
- Precipitation data was taken from the Muskrat Falls weather station. Precipitation occurs on 18 days during the deployment period and amounts are small in magnitude, with the largest on October 30 with 20.07 mm of rain (Figure 6).
- Stage ranges between 33.12m and 33.82m (Figure 6).
- Water Survey of Canada (Environment Canada) is responsible for QAQC of water quantity data (stage and flow). Corrected data can be obtained upon request.

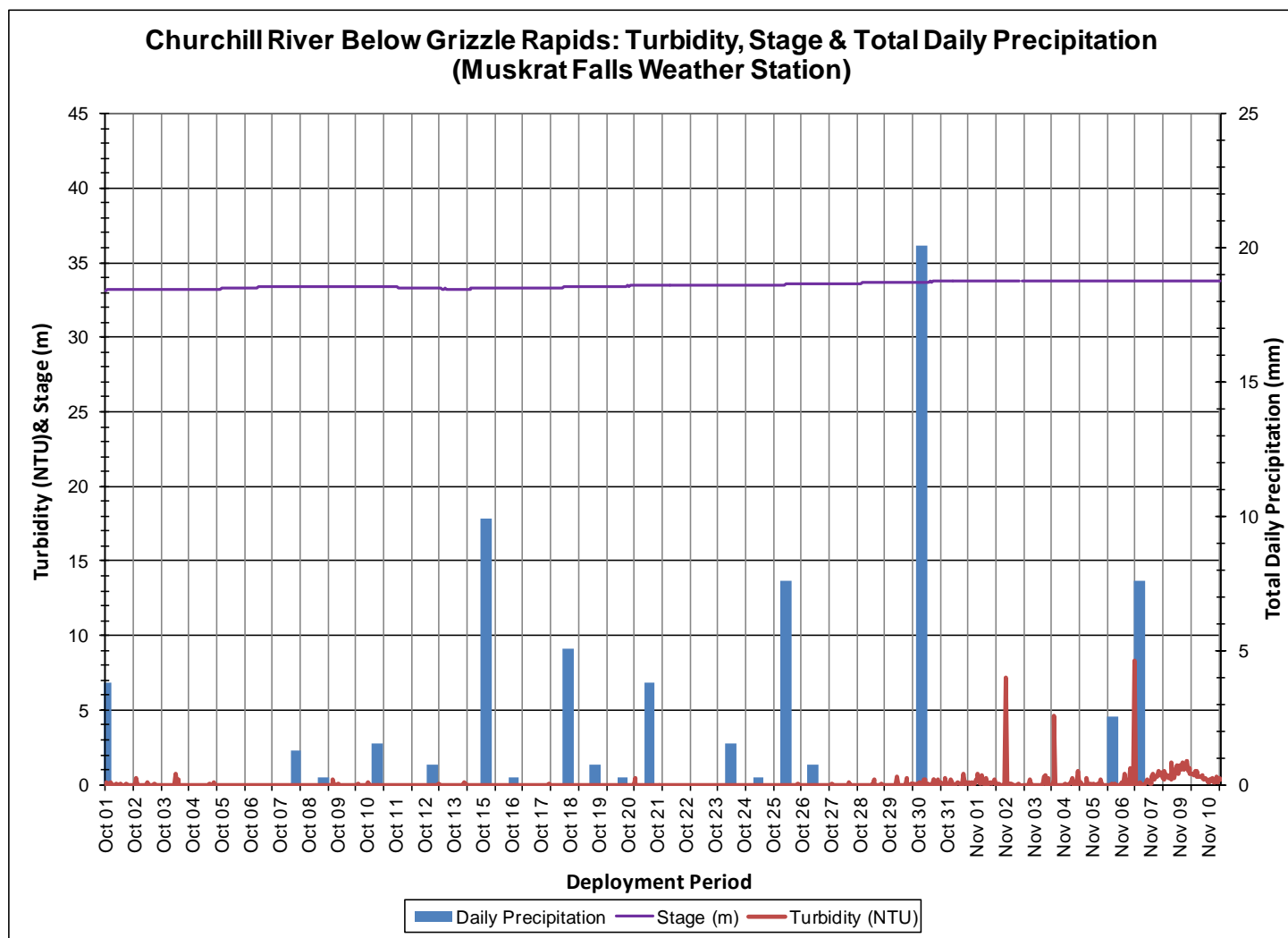
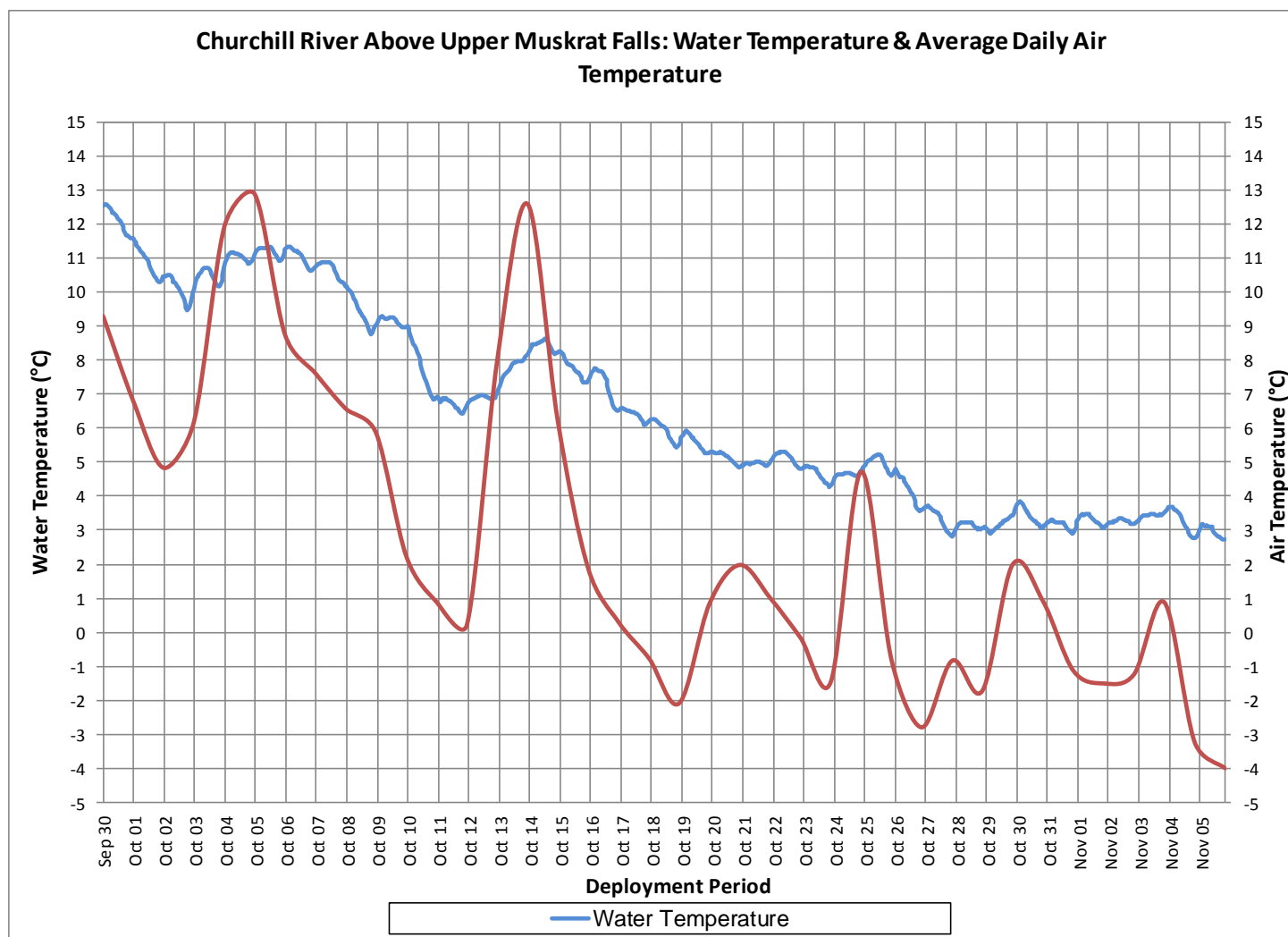


Figure 6: Turbidity, Stage, & Total Daily Precipitation (Muskrat Falls Weather Station) at Churchill River below Grizzle Rapids Station

## Churchill River above upper Muskrat Falls

### Water Temperature

- Water temperature ranges from 2.71°C to 12.59°C with a median value of 6.03°C (Figure 7).
- Water temperature is gradually decreasing throughout the deployment period. This trend is expected as air temperatures cool heading into the winter months.



**Figure 7: Water Temperature & Average Daily Air Temperature (Muskrat Falls Weather Station) at Churchill River above Upper Muskrat Falls**

## pH

- pH ranges between 6.96 and 7.19 pH units with a median value of 7.11 (Figure 8).
- pH values are very stable and fall within the CCME Protection of Aquatic Life Guidelines .

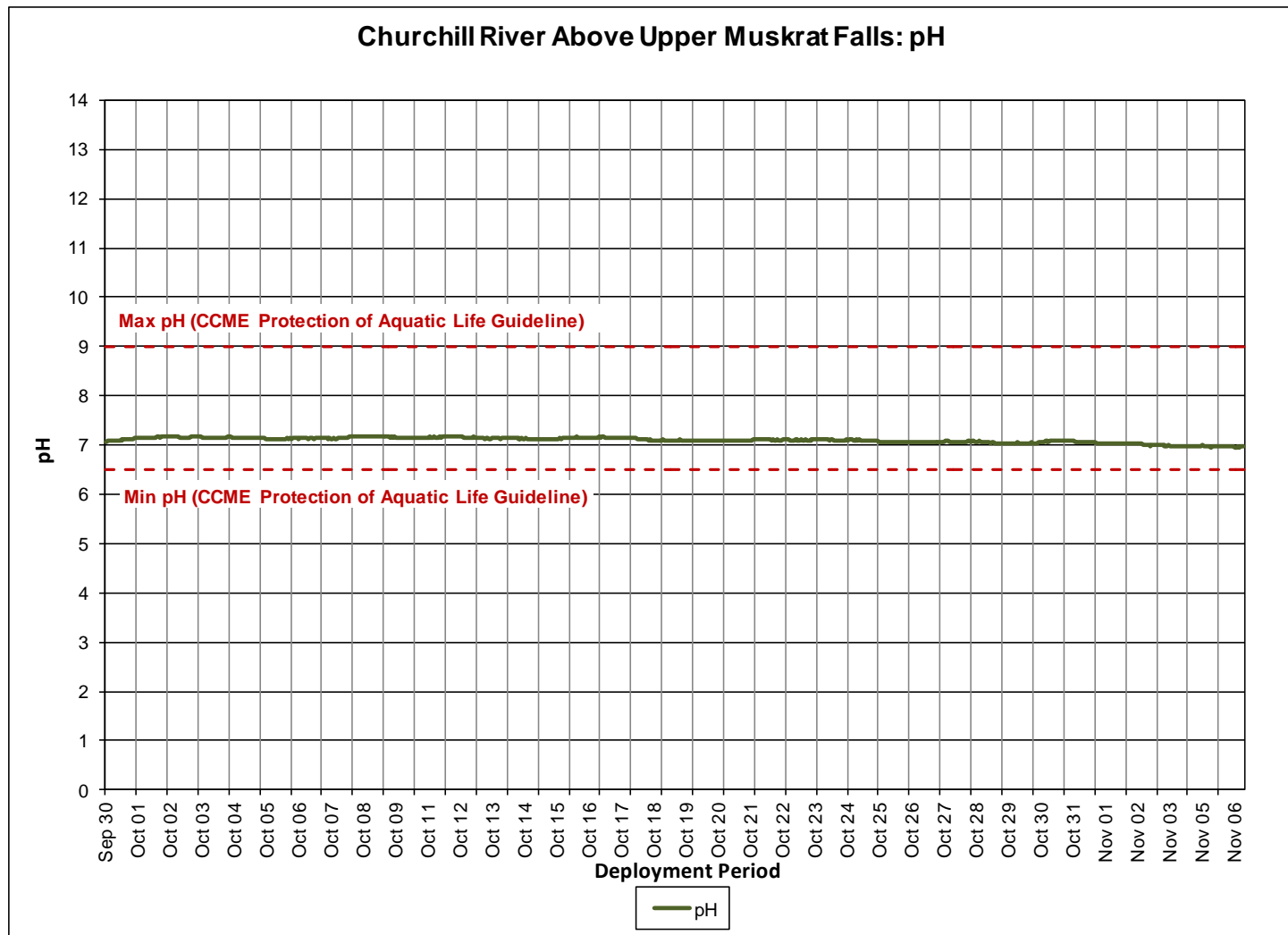


Figure 8: pH at Churchill River above Upper Muskrat Falls

### Specific Conductivity, TDS and Stage

- Specific conductivity ranges from 16.4 $\mu$ S/cm to 20.6 $\mu$ S/cm with a median of 18.0 $\mu$ S/cm (Figure 9).
- TDS (total dissolved solids) ranges from 0.0105 g/L to 0.0132 g/L with a median of 0.0115 g/L (Figure 9).
- Specific conductivity and TDS have a direct relationship but are two separate parameters. Specific conductivity is the ability of the water to conduct electricity. Therefore the value of TDS can be estimated by the conductivity of the water (Figure 9).
- The relationship between conductivity and stage are inversed. When stage level rises, the specific conductance levels drops in response as the increased amount of water in the river system dilutes the solids that are present (Figure 9).
- Water Survey of Canada (Environment Canada) is responsible for QAQC of water quantity data (stage and flow). Corrected data can be obtained upon request.

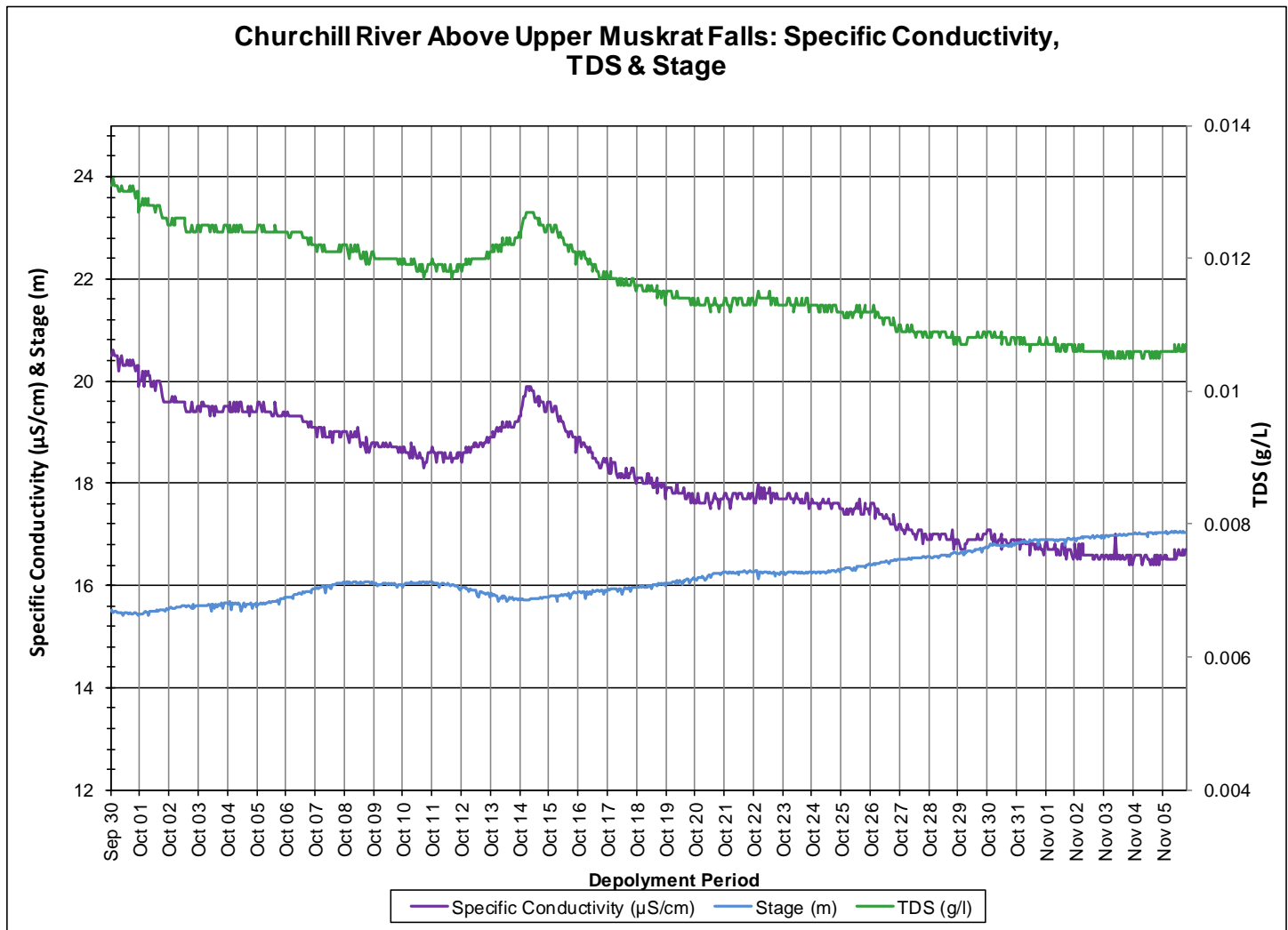


Figure 9: Specific Conductivity, TDS, and Stage at Churchill River above Upper Muskrat Falls

## Dissolved Oxygen

- Dissolved oxygen content ranges between 10.30mg/l and 12.70mg/l with a median value of 11.70mg/l. The saturation of dissolved oxygen ranges from 92.9% to 100.8% with a median value of 95.3% (Figure 10).
- There is an evident relationship between water temperature and dissolved oxygen. Over the deployment period the dissolved oxygen levels are increasing as temperatures fall into the winter months. The dissolved oxygen also follows a diurnal pattern as the water temperature rises and falls under the influence of the ambient air temperature. Generally there is more dissolved oxygen present in a waterbody during cooler temperatures.
- The dissolved oxygen levels remained above the CCME Guidelines for the Protection of Early Life Stages and Other Life Stages for the entire deployment period.

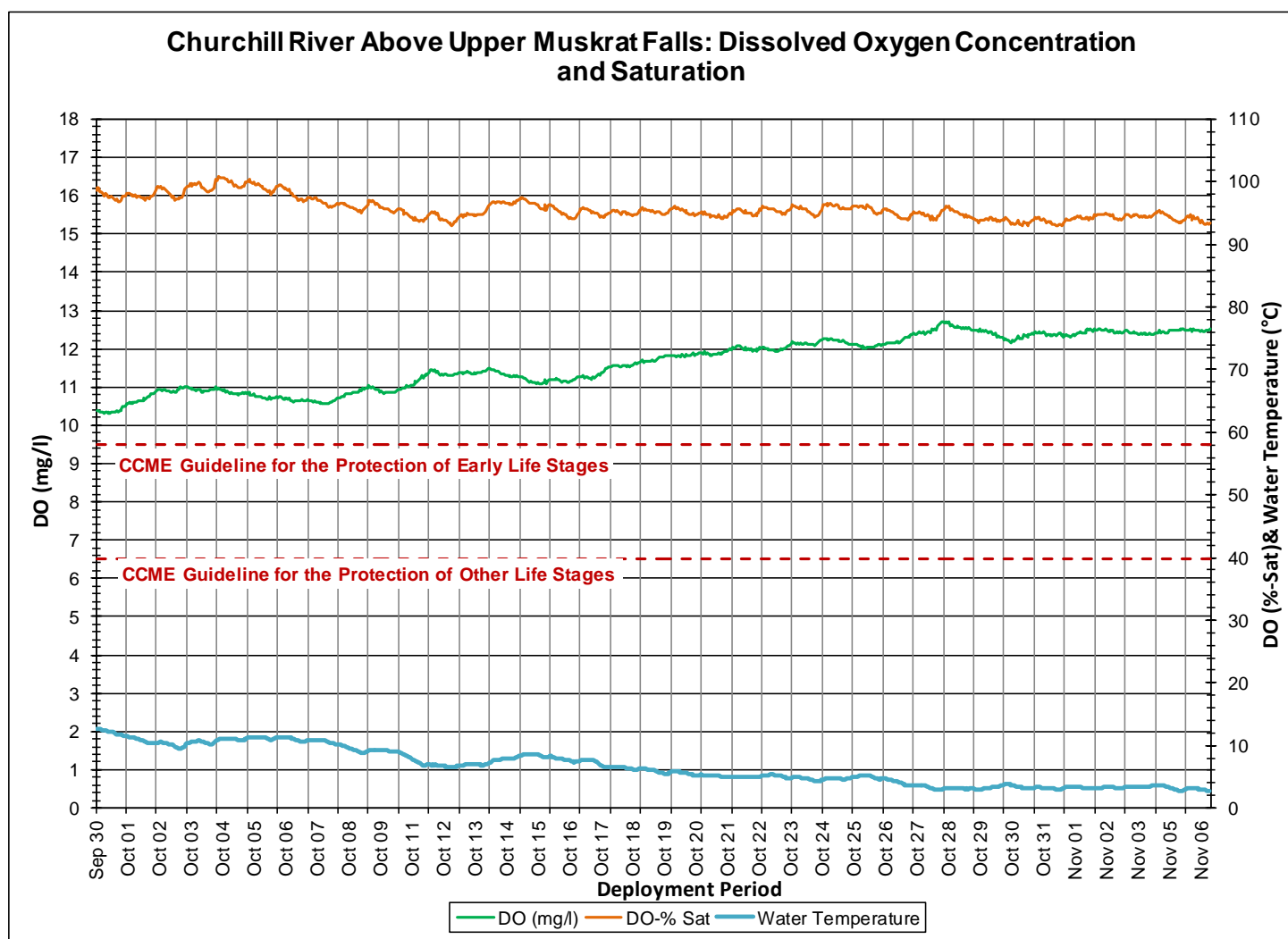


Figure 10: Dissolved Oxygen & Stage at Churchill River above Upper Muskrat Falls

## Chlorophyll

- Chlorophyll ranges between 4.1ug/L and 6.2ug/L, with a median value of 5.3ug/L (Figure 11).
- Chlorophyll is found within living cells of photosynthetic organisms like phytoplankton and cyanobacteria. The amount of chlorophyll found in water can be used to understand the general biological health of an ecosystem. Chlorophyll can also be used to identify algal bloom events and is an indicator of nutrient loading in ecosystems.
- Chlorophyll values at the station above Upper Muskrat Falls indicate a Mesotrophic aquatic ecosystem (2.6.-7.3 ug/L). Mesotrophic water ecosystems have moderate productivity with medium levels of nutrients, and moderate macrophyte (submergent, emergent, and floating) coverage.

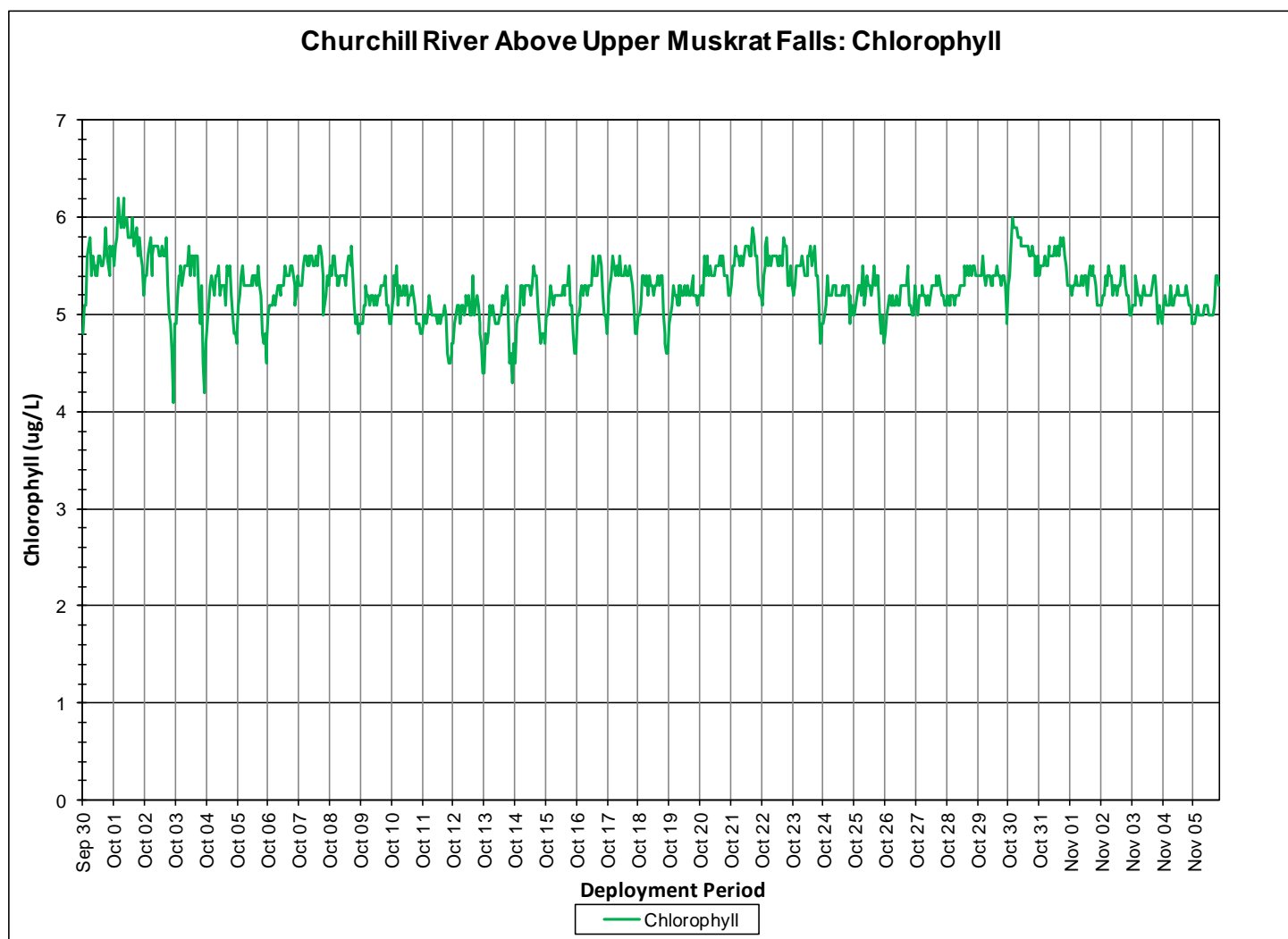
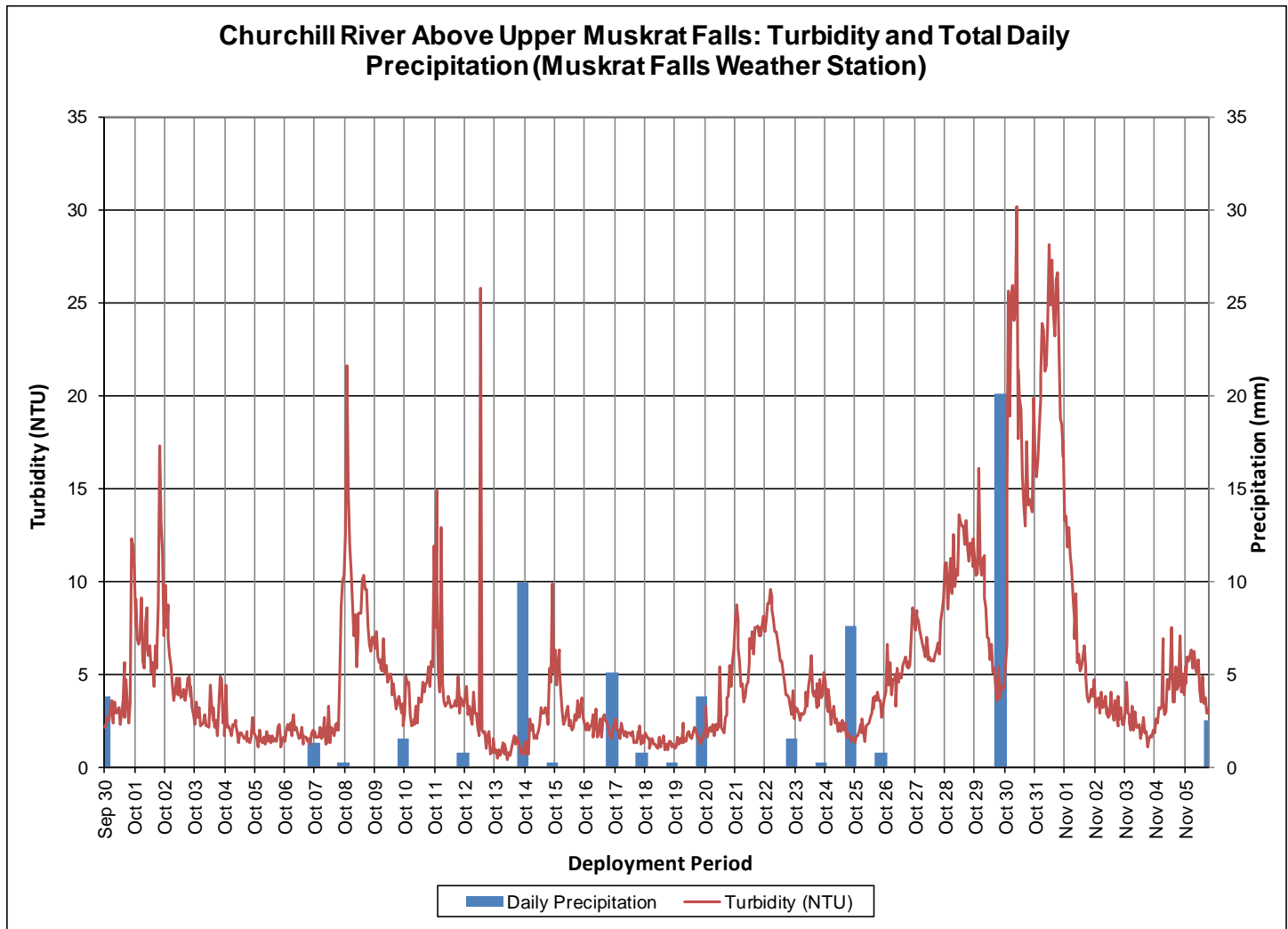


Figure 11: Chlorophyll at Churchill River above Upper Muskrat Falls

### Stage, Flow, Turbidity and Precipitation

- Turbidity ranges between 0.4NTU and 30.2.NTU with a median value of 3.3NTU (Figure 12).
- The turbidity sensor on this instrument can read values between 0NTU and 3000NTU. However a reading of 3000 NTU is always identified as an error reading and should not be used as a valid reading or included in any statistical analysis.
- The majority of turbidity events in the deployment period correlate with increases in stage and larger precipitation events. Precipitation can increase the presence of suspended material in water.
- Precipitation data was taken from the Muskrat Falls weather station. Precipitation occurs on 17 days during the deployment period and amounts are small in magnitude, with the exception of the largest on October 30<sup>th</sup> with 20.07mm of rain (Figure 12).
- Stage ranges between 15.40m and 17.05m, and streamflow ranges from 1014.42m<sup>3</sup>/s to 1931.03 m<sup>3</sup>/s (Figure 13). Water Survey of Canada (Environment Canada) is responsible for QAQC of water quantity data (stage and flow). Corrected data can be obtained upon request.



**Figure 12: Turbidity and Total Daily Precipitation (Muskrat Falls Weather Station) at Churchill River above Upper Muskrat Falls**

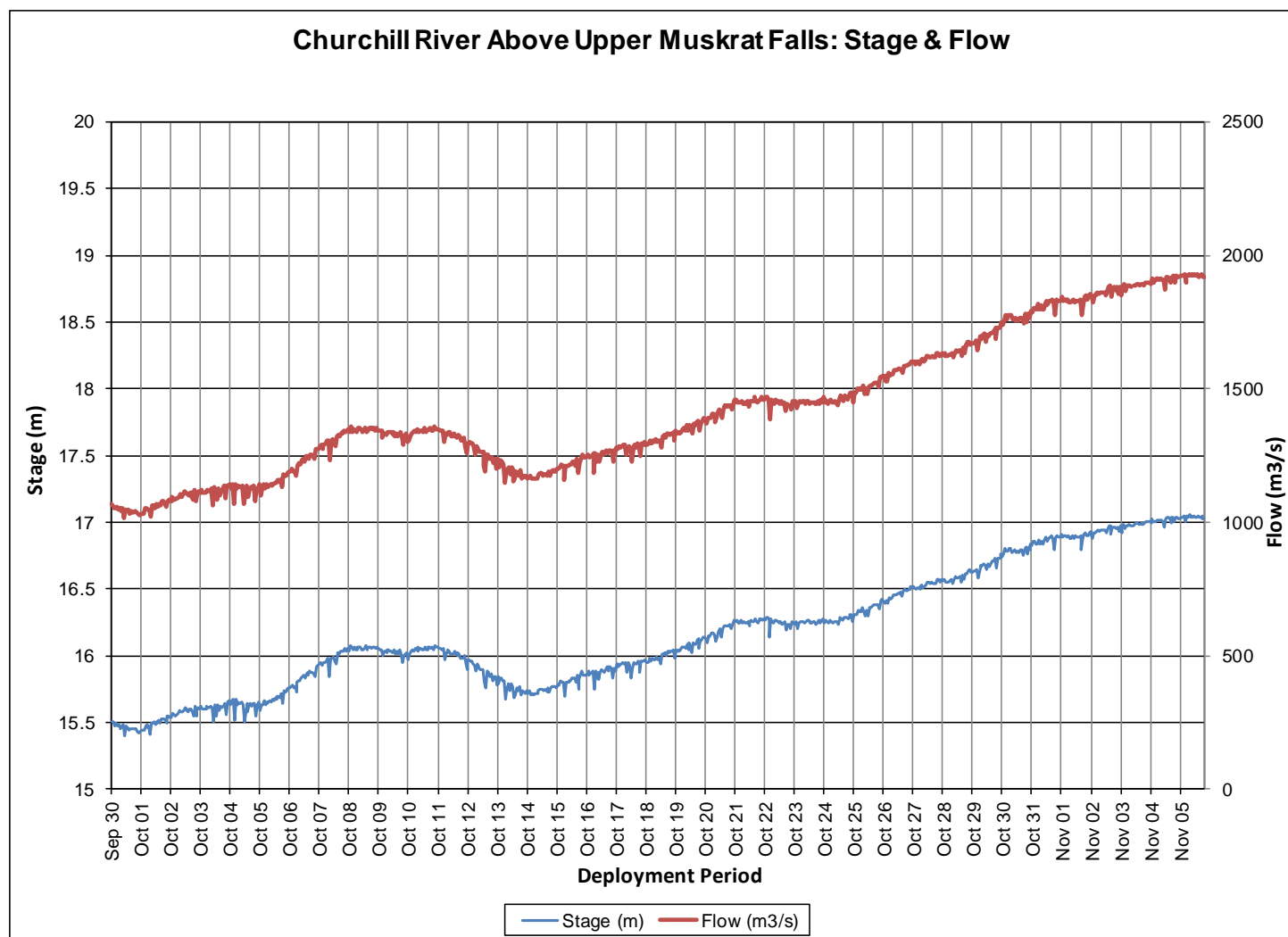


Figure 13: Stage and Flow at Churchill River above Upper Muskrat Falls

## **Churchill River below Muskrat Falls**

- The sonde located at the below Muskrat Falls station has been repeatedly buried in sand during 2014. The decision to not redeploy the sonde until sand conditions in the area improve was made in August, 2014.
- The sonde was deployed for a second time at the station below Muskrat Falls on October 1, 2015. Shoreline and riverbed conditions improved at the location (Figure 14, 15).



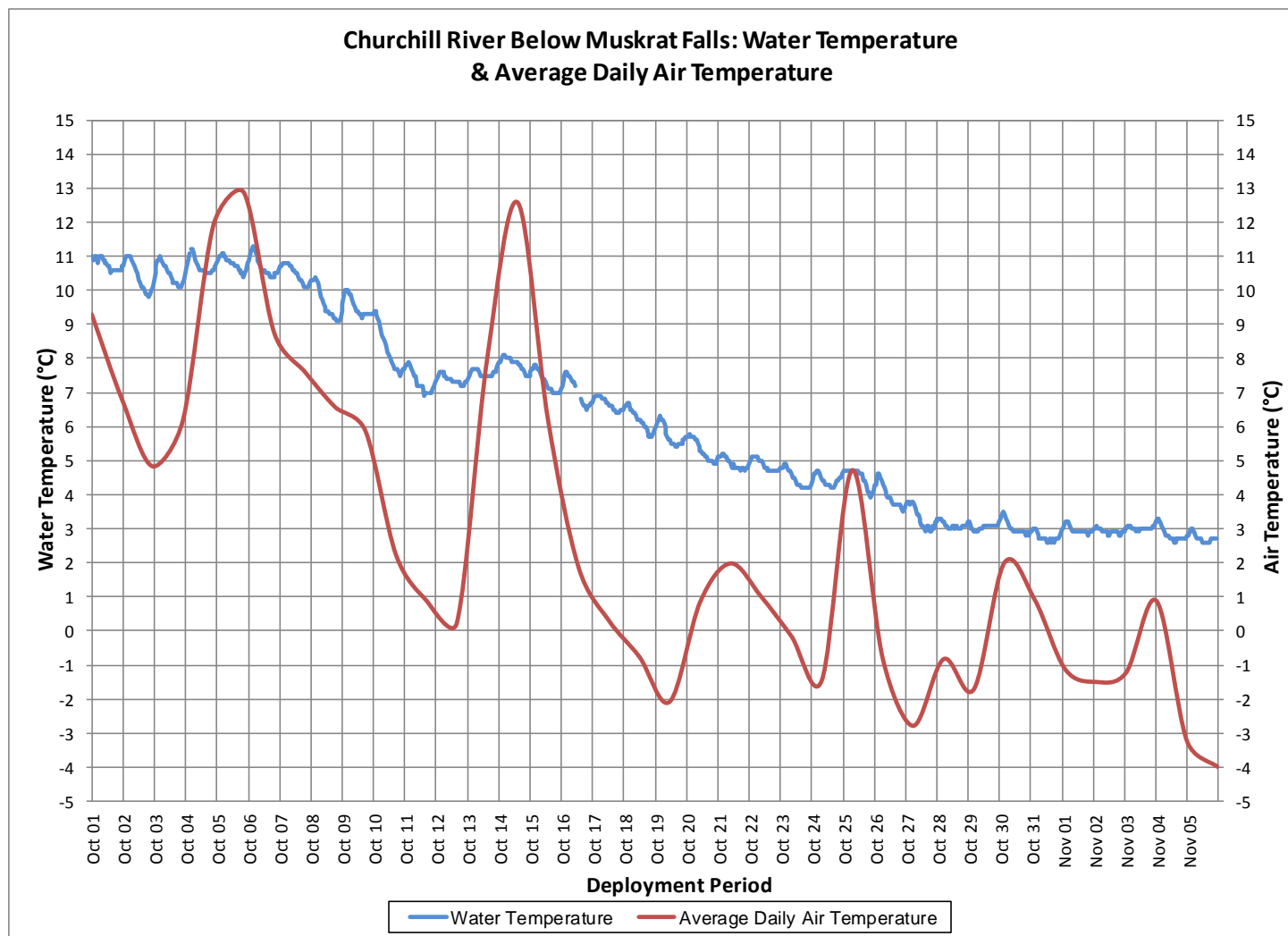
**Figure 14: Sandy shoreline at Churchill River below Muskrat Falls – May 2015**



**Figure 15: Rocky shoreline at Churchill River below Muskrat Falls – September 2015**

## Water Temperature

- Water temperature ranges from 2.60°C to 11.30°C with a median value of 6.00°C (Figure 16).
- Water temperature is steadily decreasing throughout this deployment period. This trend is expected as ambient air temperatures cool heading into the winter months. Water temperature fluctuates diurnally.



**Figure 16: Water Temperature & Daily Average Air Temperature (Muskrat Falls Weather Station) at Churchill River below Muskrat Falls Station**

## pH

- pH ranges between 6.80 and 7.21 pH units with a median value of 7.12 (Figure 17).
- All pH values recorded during this deployment period remain within the CCME protection of Aquatic Life Guidelines.

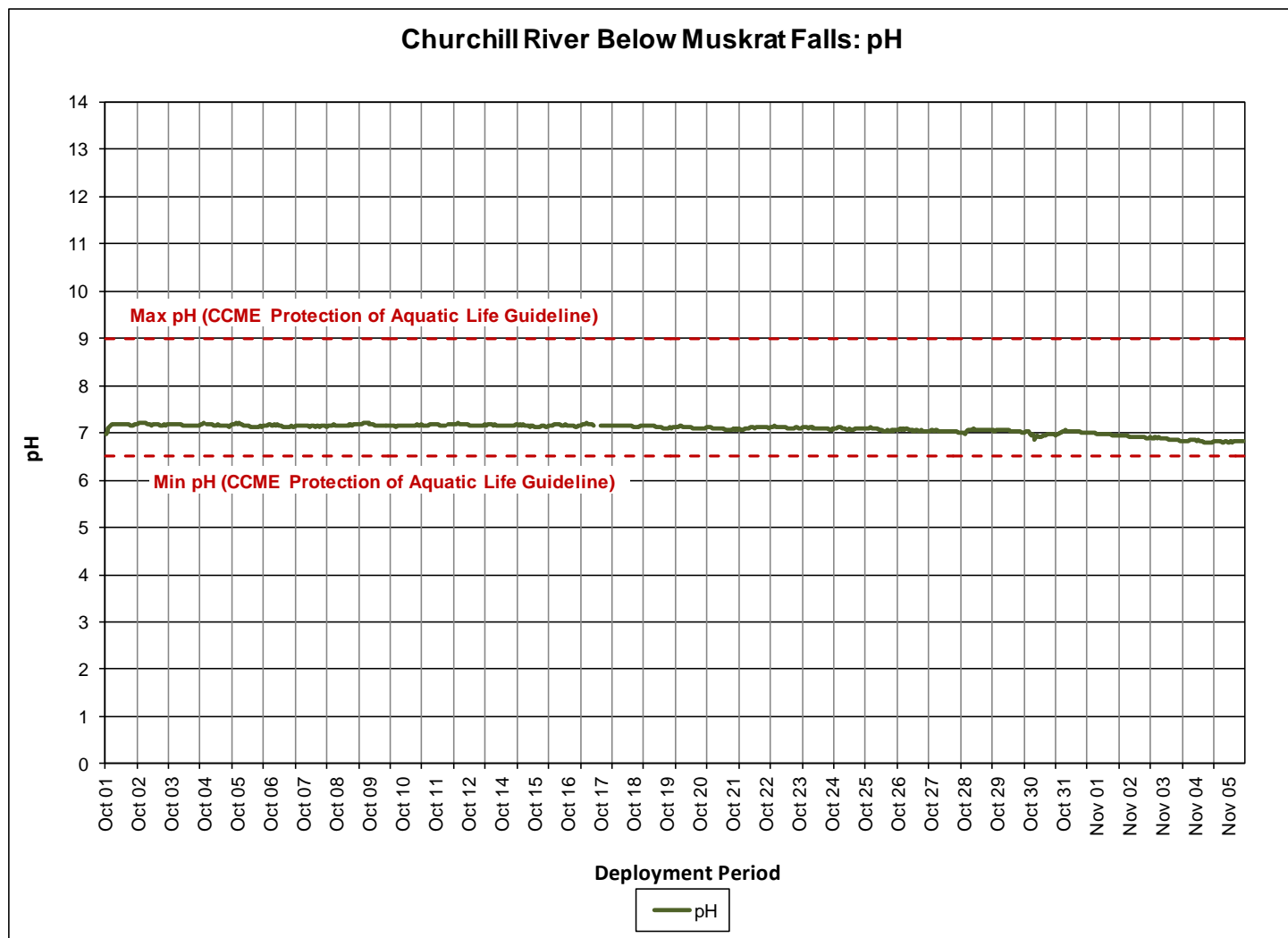


Figure 17: pH at Churchill River below Muskrat Falls Station

## Specific Conductivity and TDS

- Specific conductivity ranges from 5.8 $\mu$ S/cm to 17.9 $\mu$ S/cm with a median of 15.7 $\mu$ S/cm (Figure 18).
- TDS (total dissolved solids) ranges from 0.0037 g/L to 0.0114 g/L with a median of 0.0100 g/L (Figure 18).
- Specific conductivity and TDS have a direct relationship but are two separate parameters. Specific conductivity is the ability of the water to conduct electricity. Therefore the value of TDS can be estimated by the conductivity of the water (Figure 18).
- The relationship between conductivity and stage are inversed. When stage level rises, the specific conductance levels drops in response as the increased amount of water in the river system dilutes the solids that are present (Figure 18).
- The specific conductivity and TDS data during this deployment period experienced periods of erratic data. These events occurred along side severe turbidity events at this station (Figure 19). The specific conductivity during these events is not accurate due to the sensor being buried in moving sand.
- Water Survey of Canada (Environment Canada) is responsible for QAQC of water quantity data (stage and flow). Corrected data can be obtained upon request.

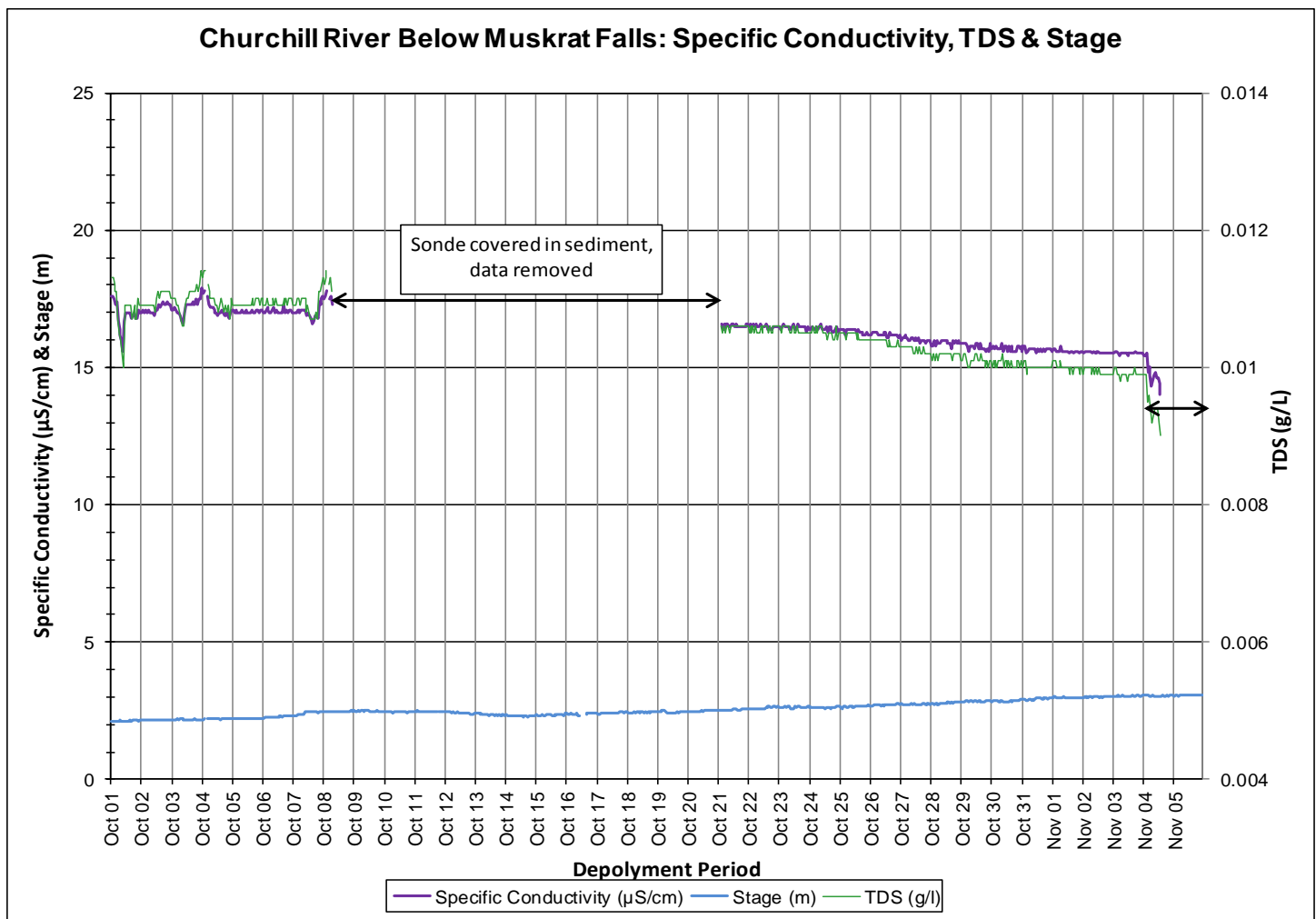


Figure 18: Specific Conductivity, TDS, & Stage at Churchill River below Muskrat Falls Station

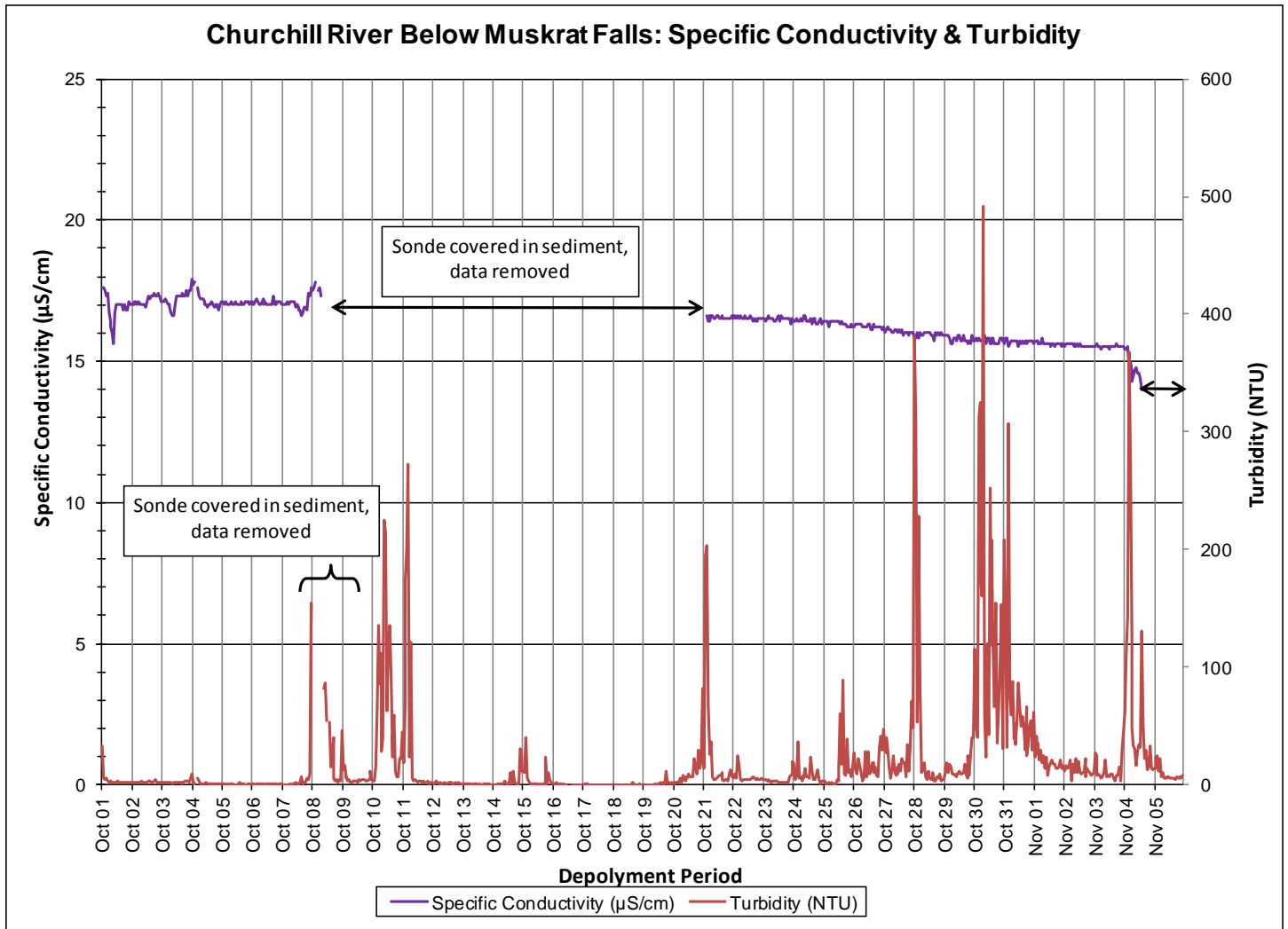
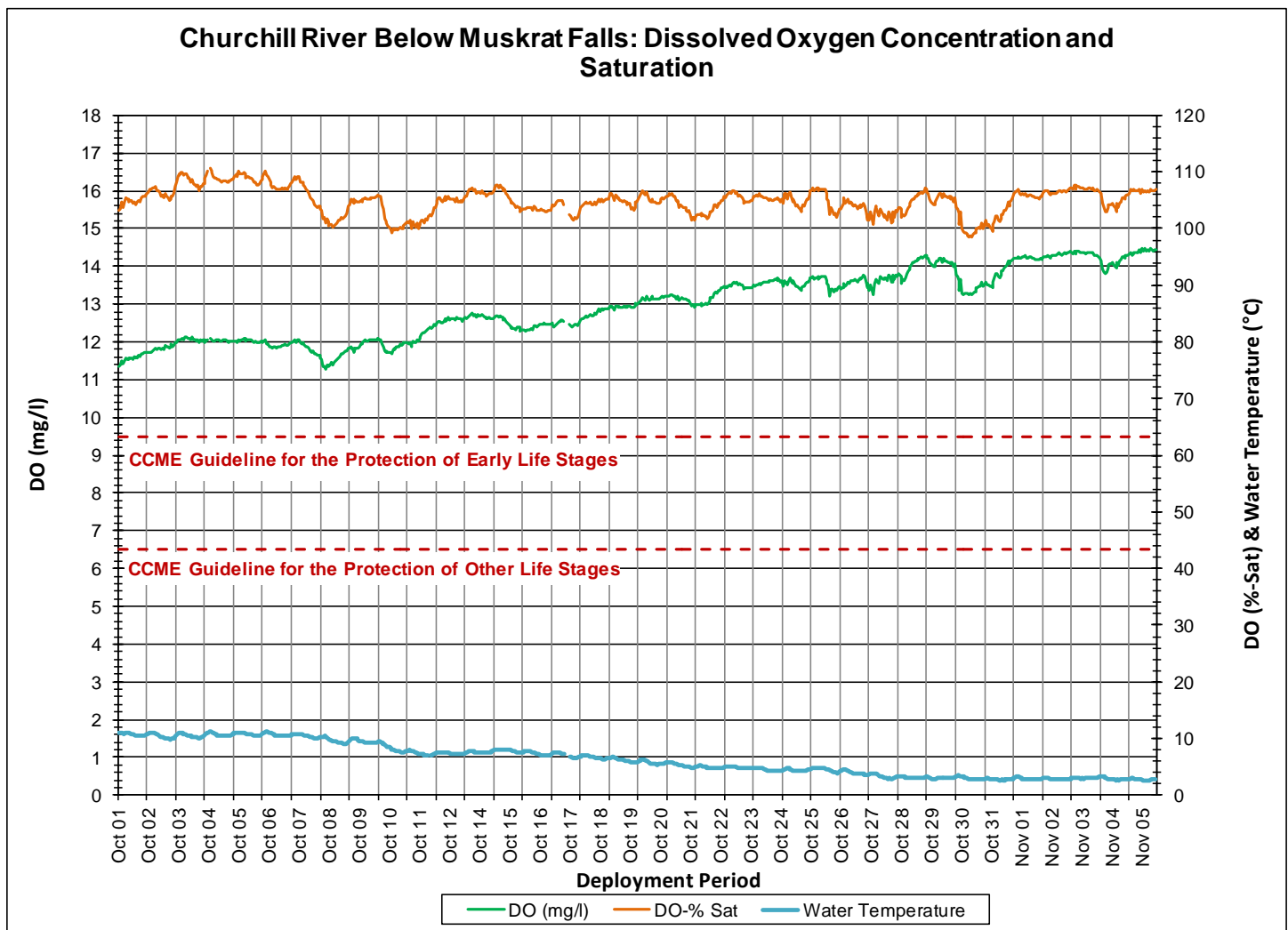


Figure 19: Specific Conductivity & Turbidity at Churchill River below Muskrat Falls Station

## Dissolved Oxygen

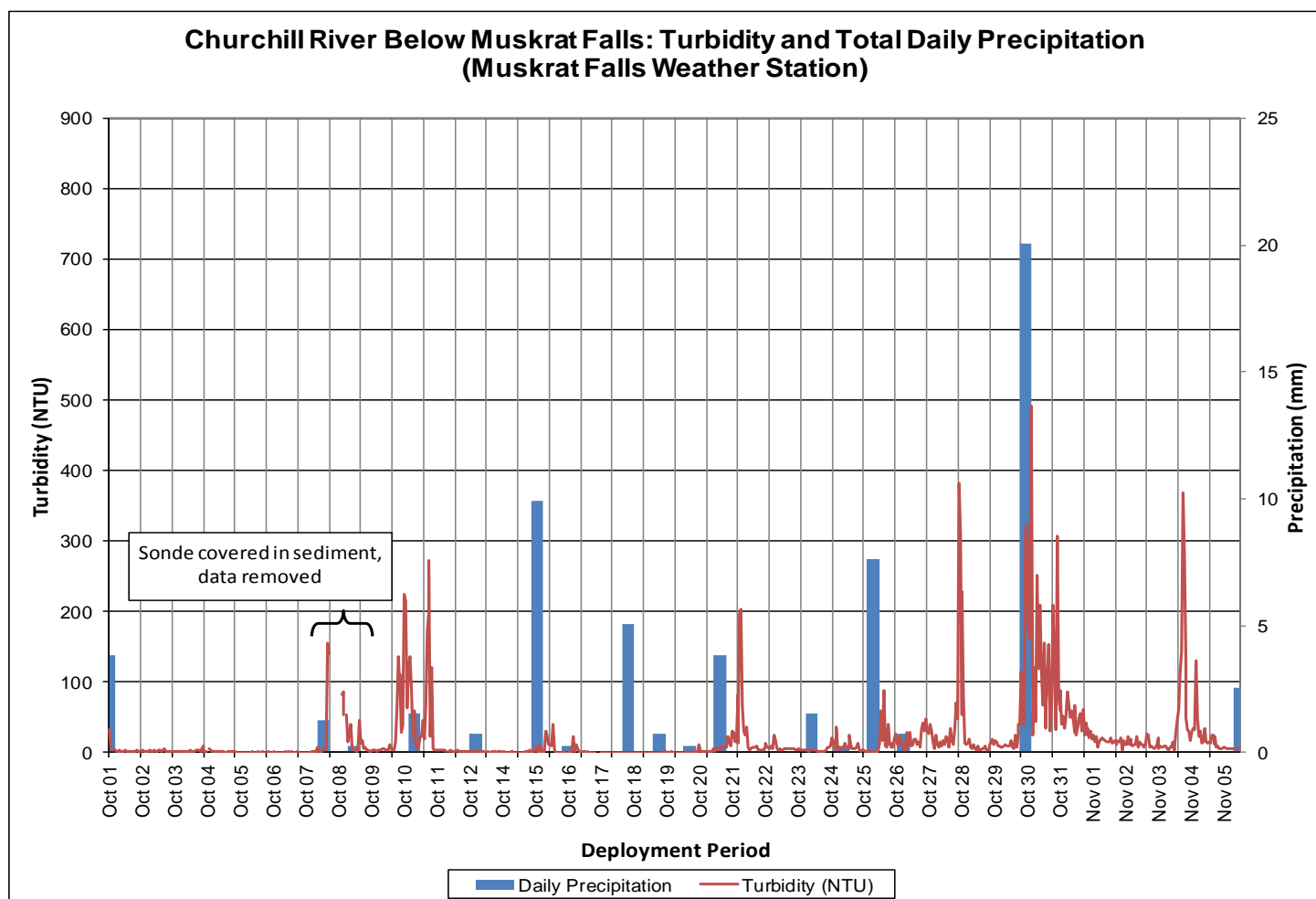
- Dissolved oxygen content ranges between 11.29mg/l and 14.46mg/l with a median value of 12.97g/l. The saturation of dissolved oxygen ranges from 98.6% to 110.7% with a median value of 105.1% (Figure 20).
- There is an evident relationship between water temperature and dissolved oxygen. Over the deployment period the dissolved oxygen levels are increasing as temperatures fall into the autumn months. The dissolved oxygen also follows a diurnal pattern as the water temperature rises and falls under the influence of the ambient air temperature. Generally there is more dissolved oxygen present in a waterbody during cooler temperatures.
- Dissolved oxygen is typically higher at this station compared to the other stations further upstream due to the addition of oxygen to the water at Muskrat Falls (Figure 20).
- The dissolved oxygen levels remained above the CCME Guidelines for the Protection of Early Life Stages and Other Life Stages for the entire deployment period.



**Figure 20: Dissolved Oxygen & Stage at Churchill River below Muskrat Falls Station**

## Stage, Turbidity & Precipitation

- Turbidity ranges from 0.0NTU to 888.0NTU during the deployment period, with a median value of 4.3NTU (Figure 21).
- Some turbidity events in the deployment period correlate with increases in stage and larger precipitation events. Precipitation can increase the presence of suspended material in water. However, there were many events occurring during the deployment period which can be attributed to moving sand sediment in the area. This location is known to have problems with sand/sediment burying the instrument and disrupting the sensor (Figure 21).
- Precipitation data was taken from the Muskrat Falls weather station. Precipitation occurs on 17 days during the deployment period and amounts are small in magnitude, with the largest on October 30<sup>th</sup> with 20.07mm of rain (Figure 21).
- Stage ranges between 2.12 m and 3.09 m, with a median value of 2.50 m (Figure 22).
- Water Survey of Canada (Environment Canada) is responsible for QAQC of water quantity data (stage and flow). Corrected data can be obtained upon request.



**Figure 21: Turbidity & Total Daily Precipitation (Muskrat Falls Weather Station) at Churchill River below Muskrat Falls Station**

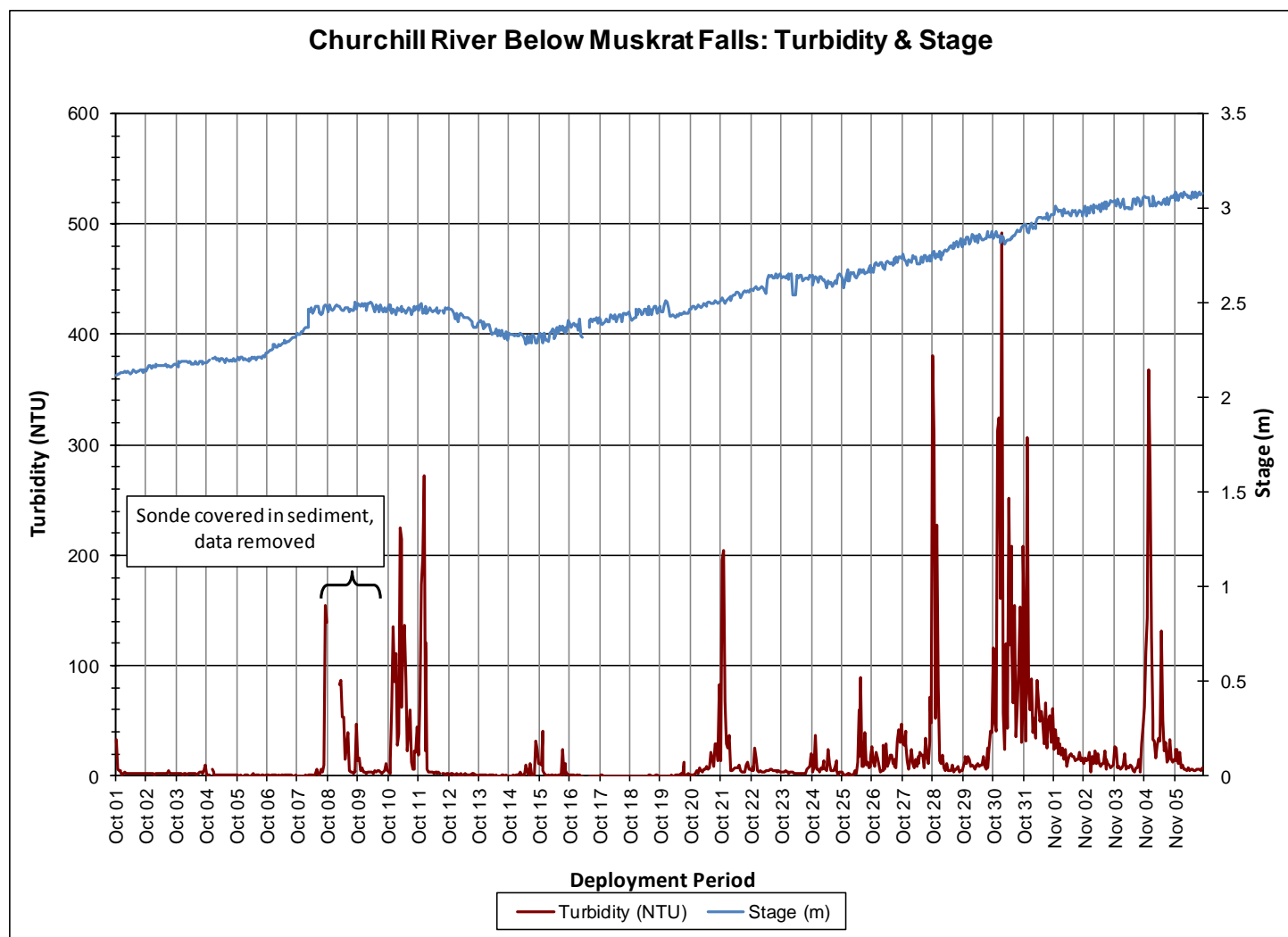
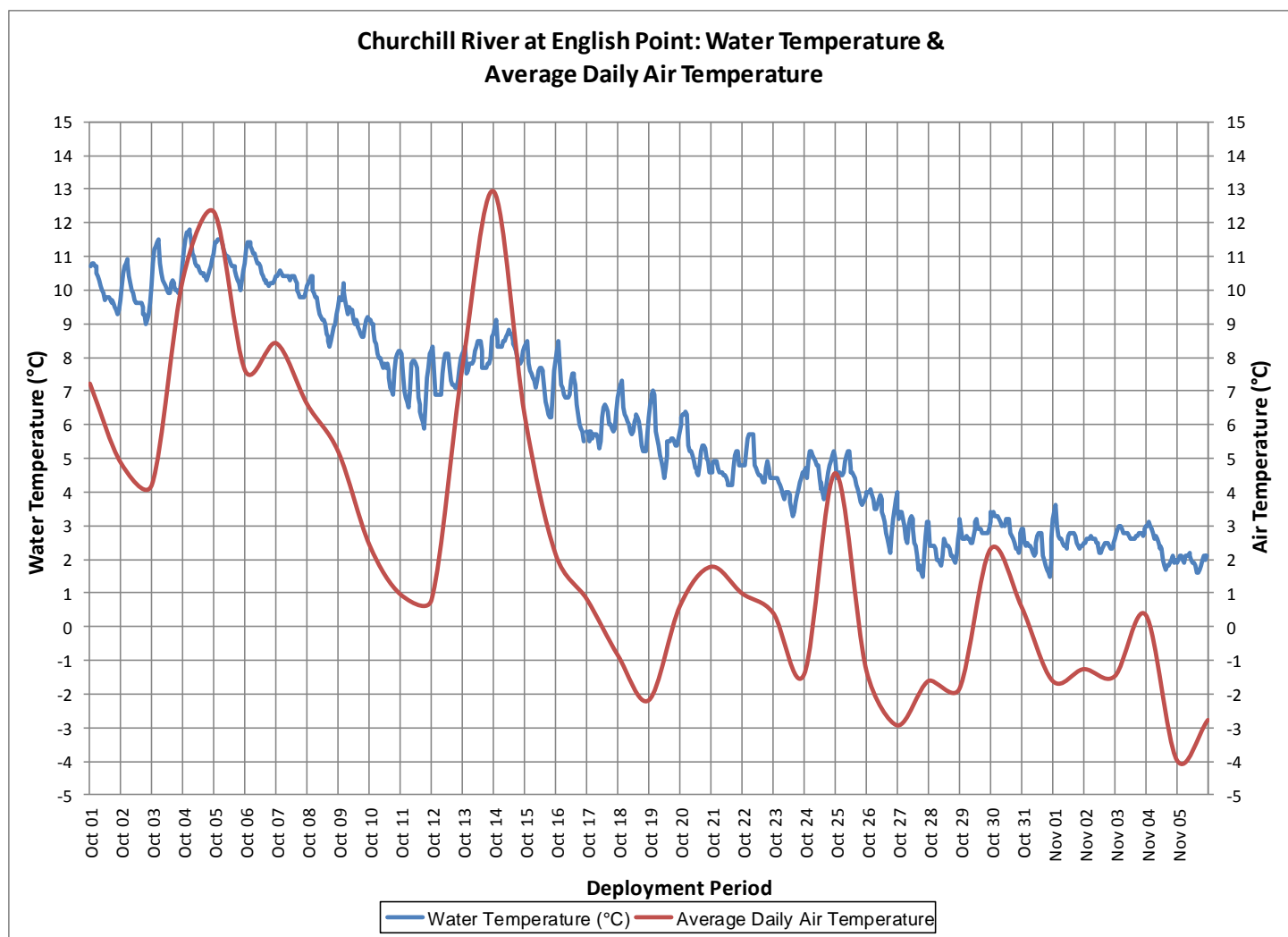


Figure 22: Turbidity & Stage at Churchill River below Muskrat Falls Station

## Churchill River at English Point

### Water Temperature

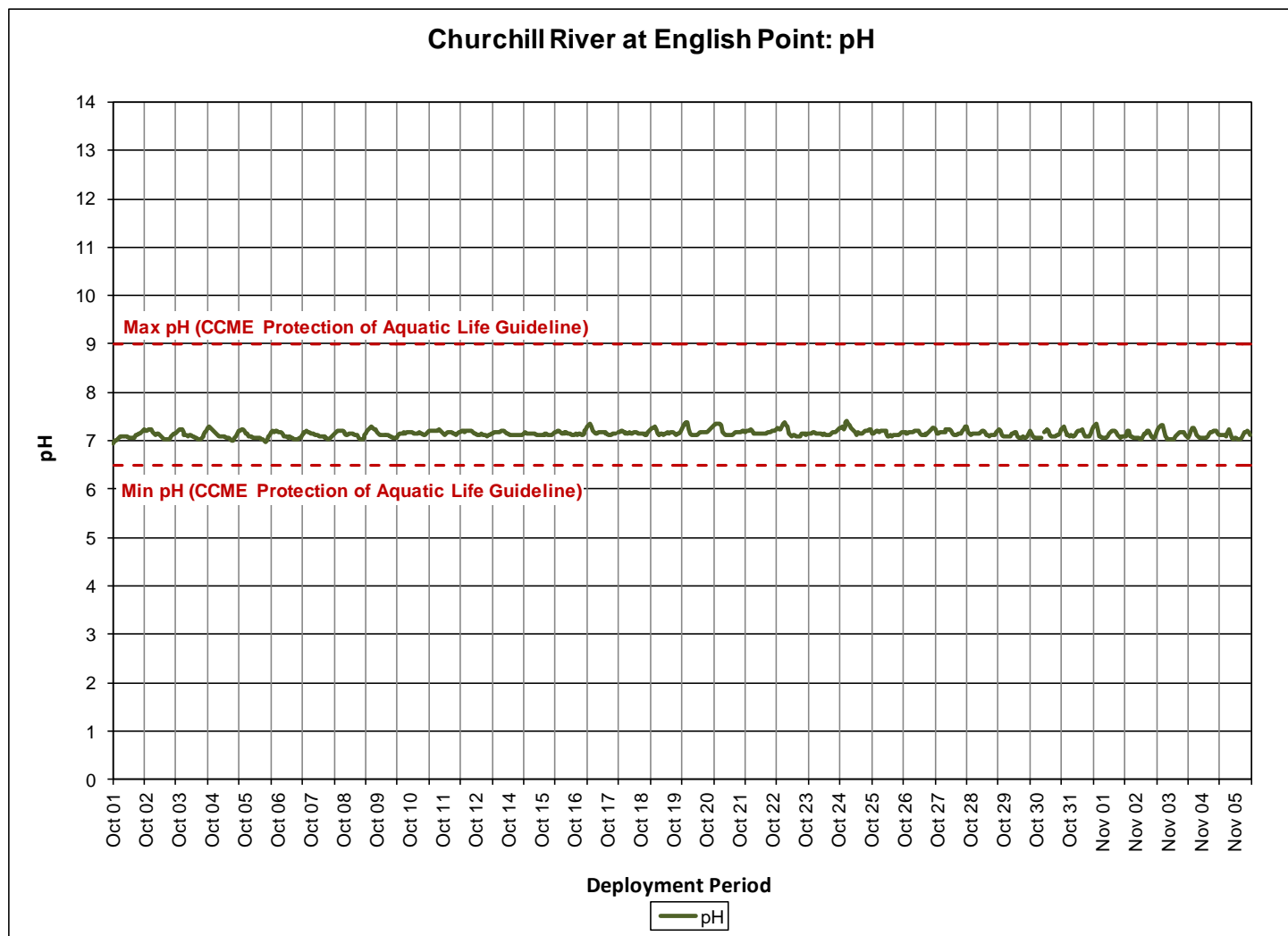
- Water temperature ranges from 1.5°C to 11.80°C with a median value of 5.70°C (Figure 23).
- Water temperature is steadily decreasing throughout this deployment period. This trend is expected as ambient air temperatures cool heading into the winter months. Water temperature fluctuates diurnally.



**Figure 23: Water Temperature & Daily Average Air Temperature (Mud Lake Weather Station) at Churchill River at English Point**

## pH

- pH ranges between 6.95 and 7.40 pH units with a median value of 7.15 (Figure 24).
- All pH values recorded during this deployment period remain within the CCME protection of Aquatic Life Guidelines.



**Figure 24: pH at Churchill River at English Point Station**

## Specific Conductivity and TDS

- Specific conductance ranges between 18.8 $\mu$ S/cm and 56.6 $\mu$ S/cm during the deployment period, with a median of 29.7 $\mu$ S/cm (Figure 25).
- TDS ranges between 0.0120 g/mL to 0.0362g/mL during the deployment period, with a median of 0.0190 g/mL (Figure 25).
- Specific conductivity fluctuates considerably at this location due to the tidal influences of the Atlantic Ocean on Lake Melville. As the tide comes in, the specific conductivity increases as the dissolved solids and salinity increase, and vice versa as the tide goes out. This increase and decrease in specific conductivity and stage occurs twice daily. This pattern is generally consistent throughout the deployment period (Figure 25).
- Water Survey of Canada (Environment Canada) is responsible for QAQC of water quantity data (stage and flow). Corrected data can be obtained upon request.

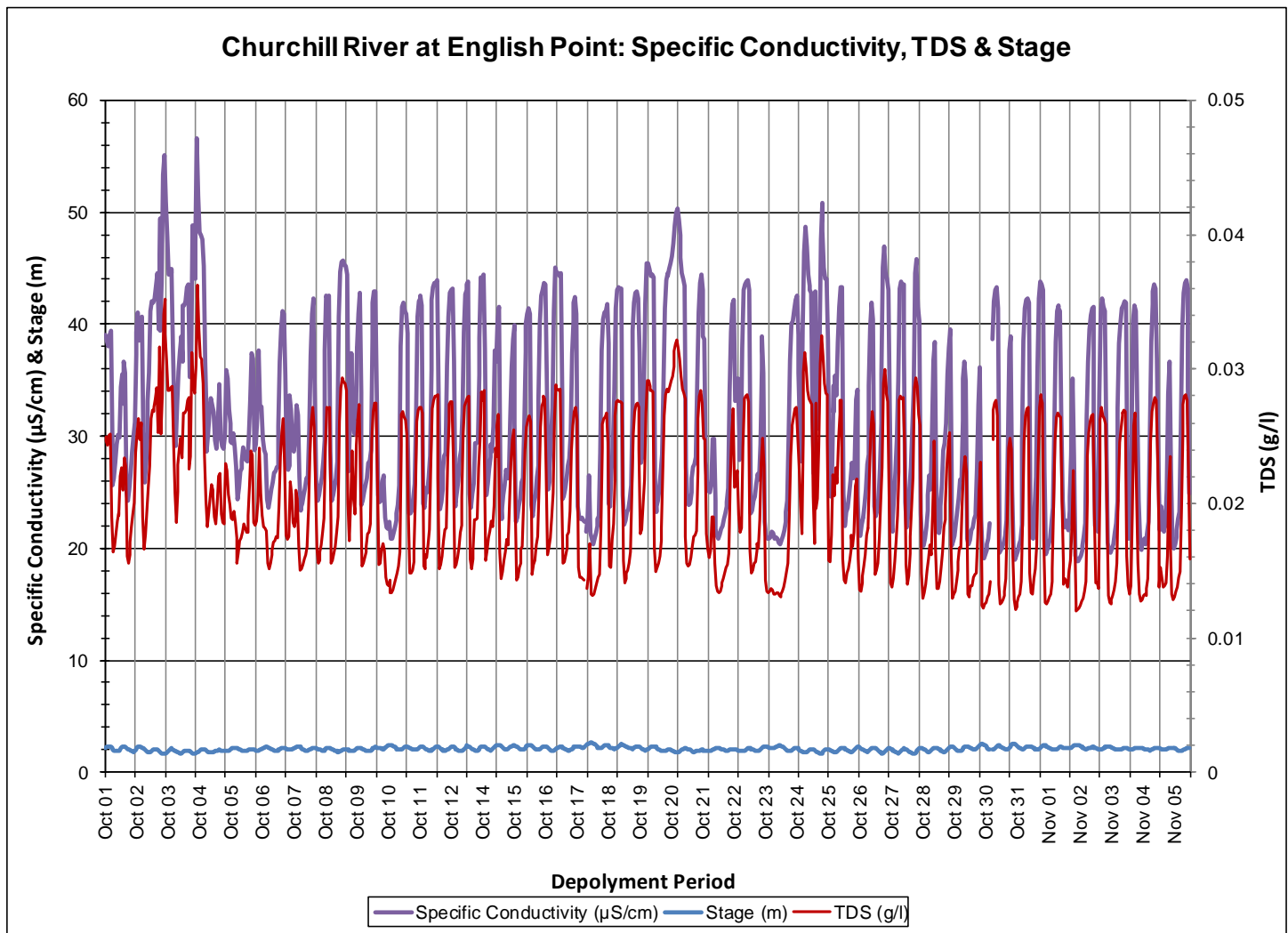
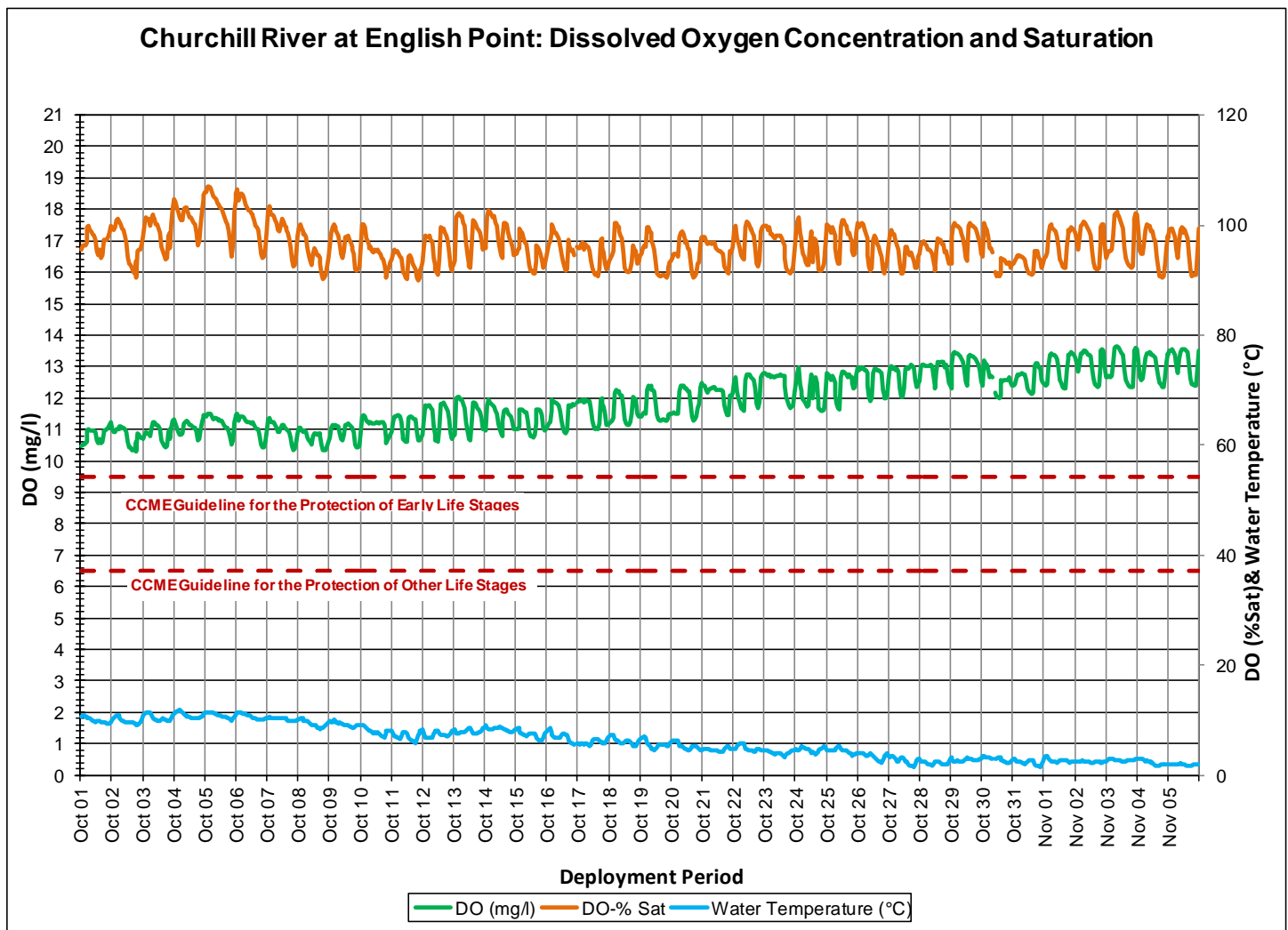


Figure 25: Specific Conductivity, TDS, & Stage at Churchill River at English Point Station

## Dissolved Oxygen

- Dissolved oxygen content ranges between 10.31mg/l and 13.66mg/l during the deployment period. The saturation of dissolved oxygen ranges from 90.0% to 107.0% (Figure 26).
- There is an evident relationship between water temperature and dissolved oxygen. Over the deployment period the dissolved oxygen levels are slowly rising as temperatures fall into the autumn months. The dissolved oxygen also follows a diurnal pattern as the water temperature rises and falls under the influence of the ambient air temperature. Generally there is more dissolved oxygen present in a waterbody during cooler temperatures.
- The dissolved oxygen levels remained above the CCME Guidelines for the Protection of Other Life Stages for the entire deployment period.



**Figure 26: Dissolved Oxygen & Stage at Churchill River at English Point Station**

## Stage, Turbidity, & Precipitation

- Turbidity ranges from 2.6NTU to 150.0NTU during the deployment period, with a median value of 11.1NTU (Figure 27). The majority of turbidity events in the deployment period correlate with increases in stage and larger precipitation events. Precipitation can increase the presence of suspended material in water (Figure 27).
- Precipitation occurs on 13 days during the deployment period and amounts are small in magnitude, with the largest on October 17<sup>th</sup> with 9.4mm of rain (Figure 27).
- Stage ranges between 1.63m and 2.65m, with a median value of 2.09m. Stage fluctuates considerably at this location due to the tidal influences of the Atlantic Ocean. As the tide comes in, the stage level increases causing tide related turbidity events, and vice versa as the tide goes out. This pattern is generally consistent throughout the deployment period (Figure 28).
- Water Survey of Canada (Environment Canada) is responsible for QAQC of water quantity data (stage and flow). Corrected data can be obtained upon request.

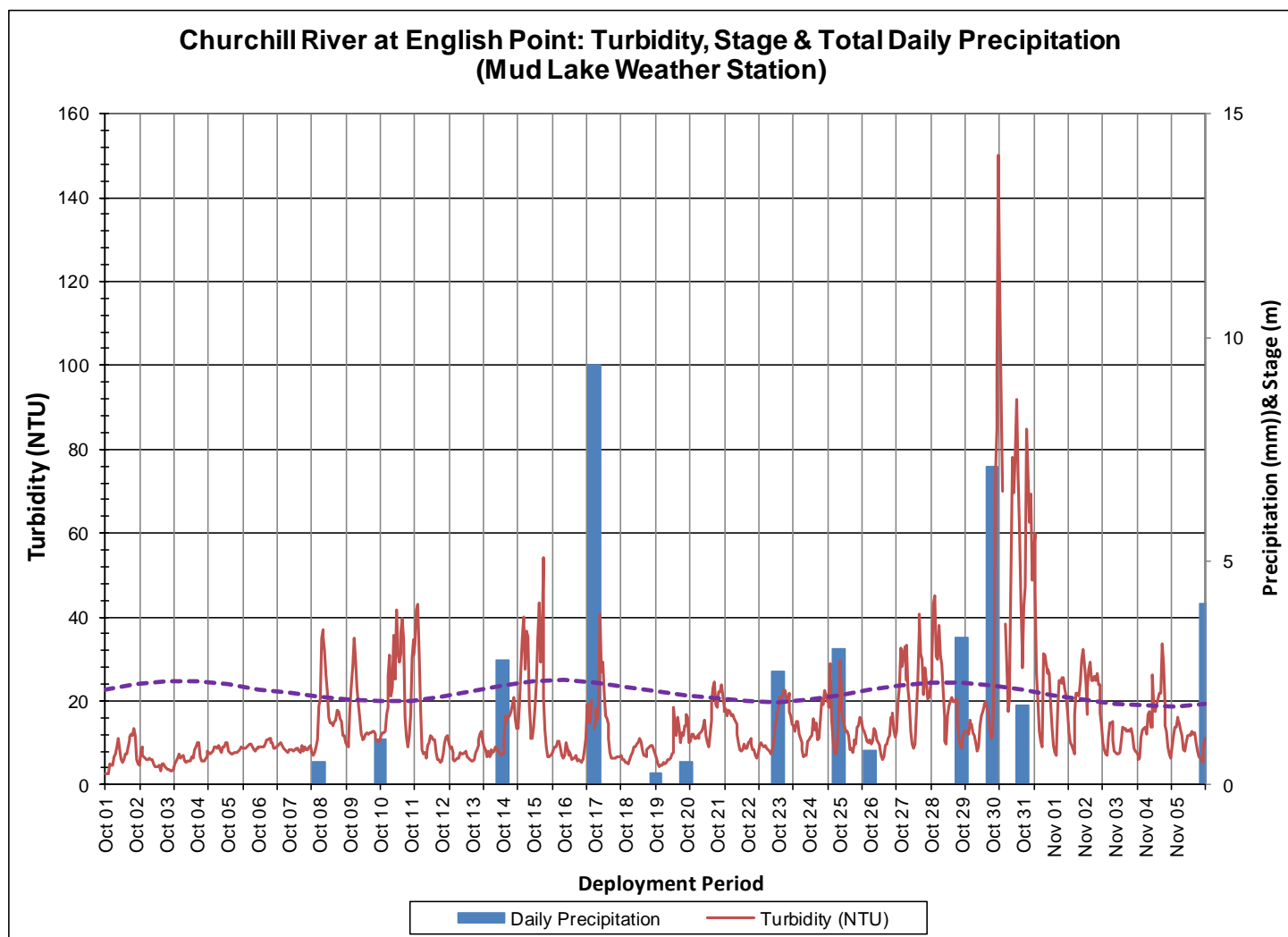


Figure 27: Turbidity, Stage & Total Precipitation (Mud Lake Weather Station) at Churchill River at English Point Station

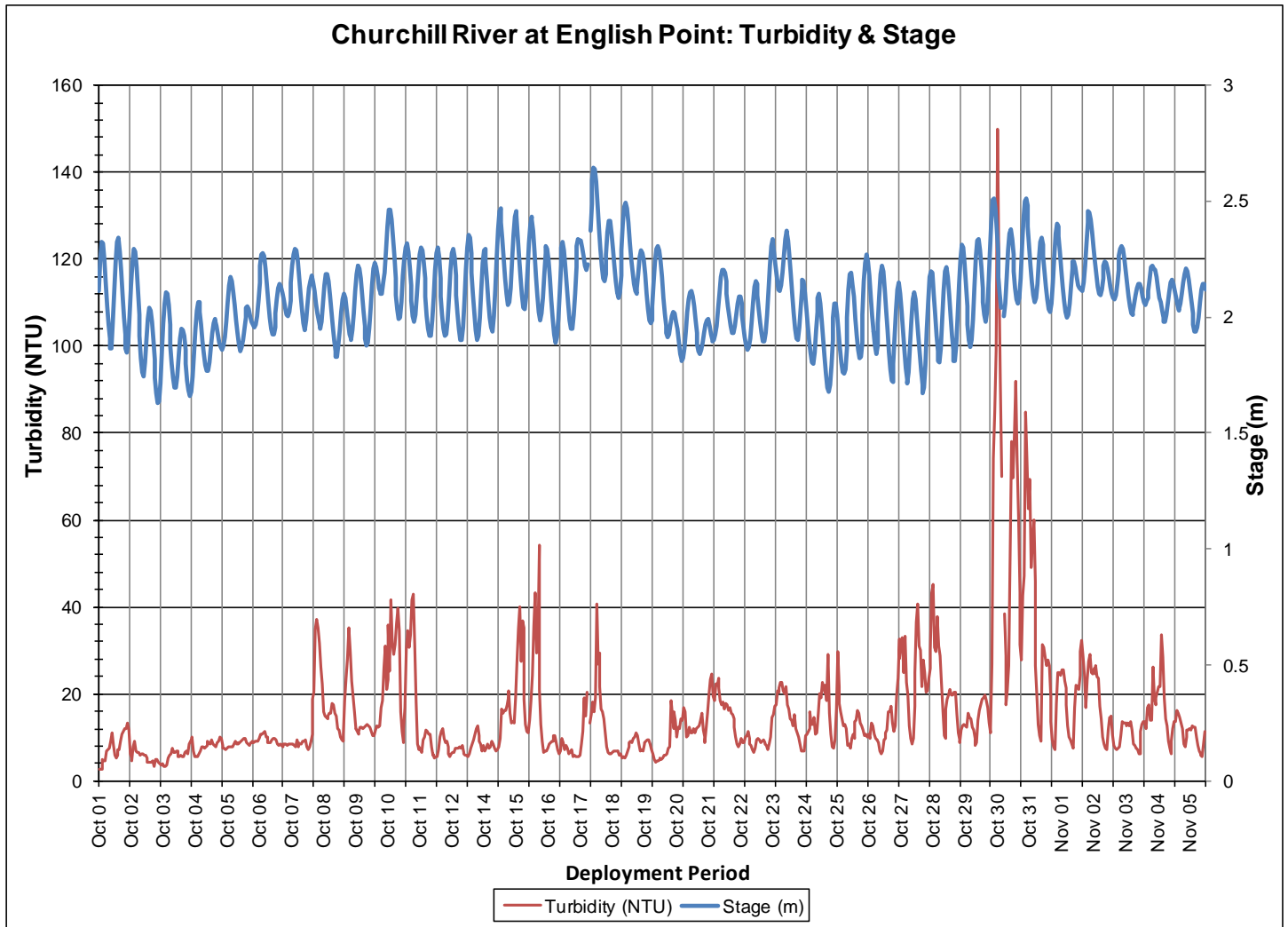


Figure 28: Turbidity & Stage at Churchill River at English Point Station

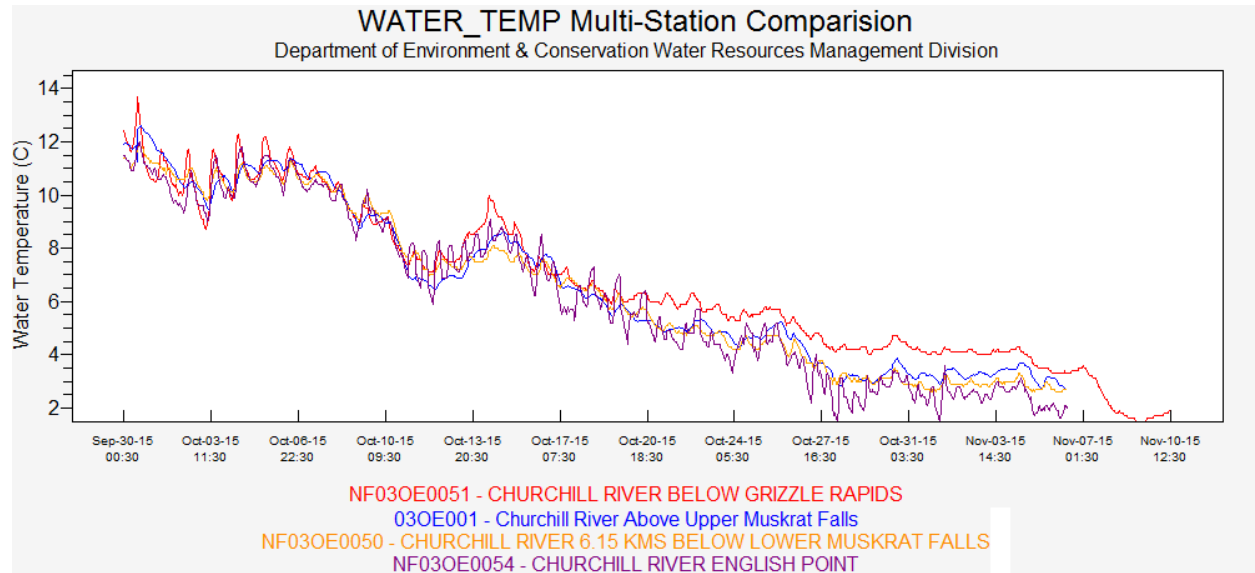
## Conclusions

- Stage levels are generally stable at all stations throughout the deployment in the summer months. Water level changes at each of the stations ranged between 0.7m and 1.65m.
- Water temperature was decreasing at all stations throughout the deployment period due to the decreasing ambient air temperatures in the region during the autumn months. Water temperature typically ranged between 1.50°C and 13.70°C.
- pH is generally neutral and stable at stations along the Lower Churchill River ranging between 6.76 and 7.40 pH units. The pH values at all stations were within the recommended CCME Guidelines for the Protection of Aquatic Life.
- Specific conductivity was relatively stable at the stations below Grizzle Rapids, above upper Muskrat Falls and below Muskrat Falls regardless of the fluctuating stage levels. All stations showed little variation in values except at English Point, which is influenced by the tides in Lake Melville. Specific conductivity values are higher at the English Point station ranging from 18.8µS/cm to 56.6µS/cm.
- Dissolved oxygen was increasing slightly throughout the deployment period at all stations. There is an evident relationship between water temperature and dissolved oxygen. Generally there is more dissolved oxygen present in a waterbody during cooler temperatures. Values ranged between 10.30mg/l and 14.46mg/l.
- Turbidity events occurred at all stations and were mainly related to large rainfall events. At the below Grizzle Rapids station there is a median turbidity value of 0.0NTU which indicates a low background turbidity at this location. Turbidity at all stations ranged from 0.0 to 888.0NTU. Above and below Muskrat Falls and English Point have known background turbidity events at these stations due to the substrate at the locations, mixing due to Muskrat Falls, tidal wave action, and precipitation events.

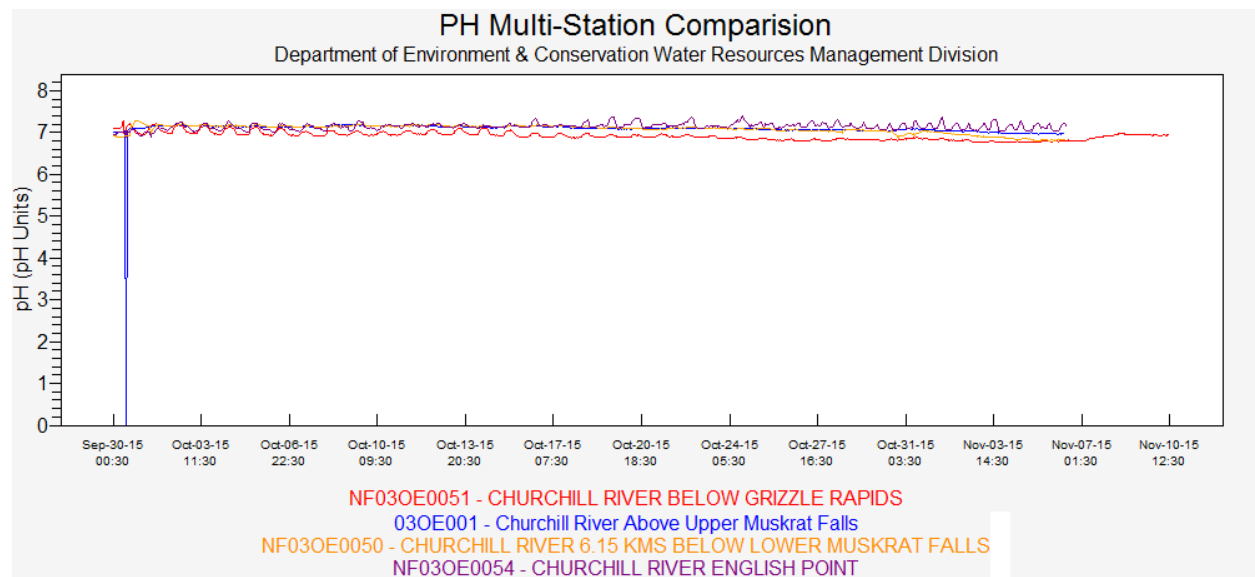
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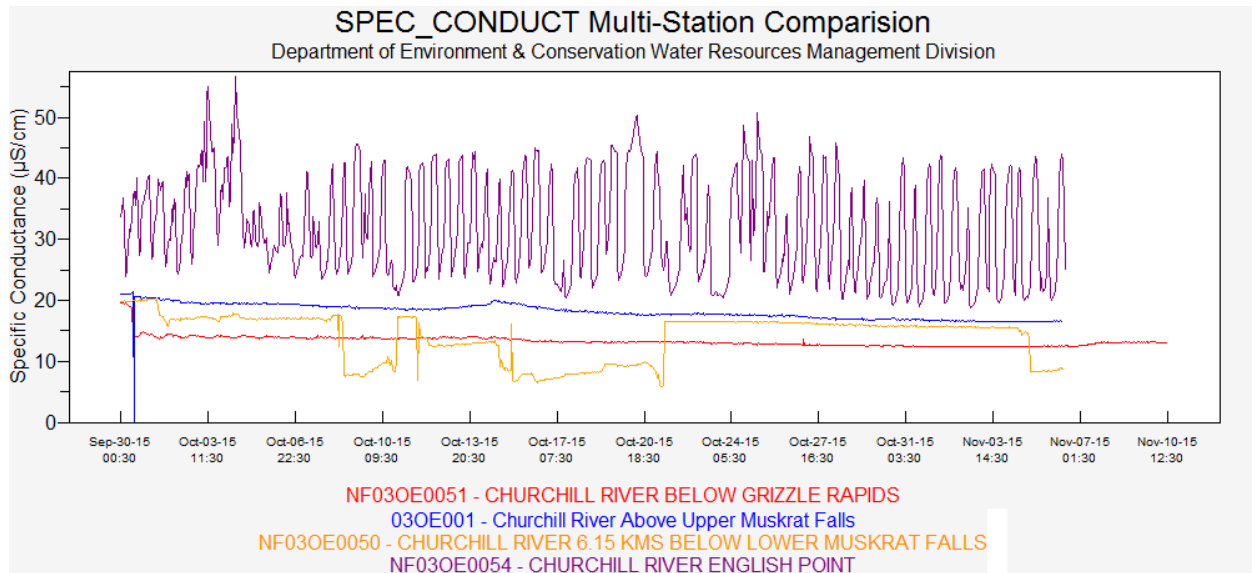
## APPENDIX A-Station Comparisons



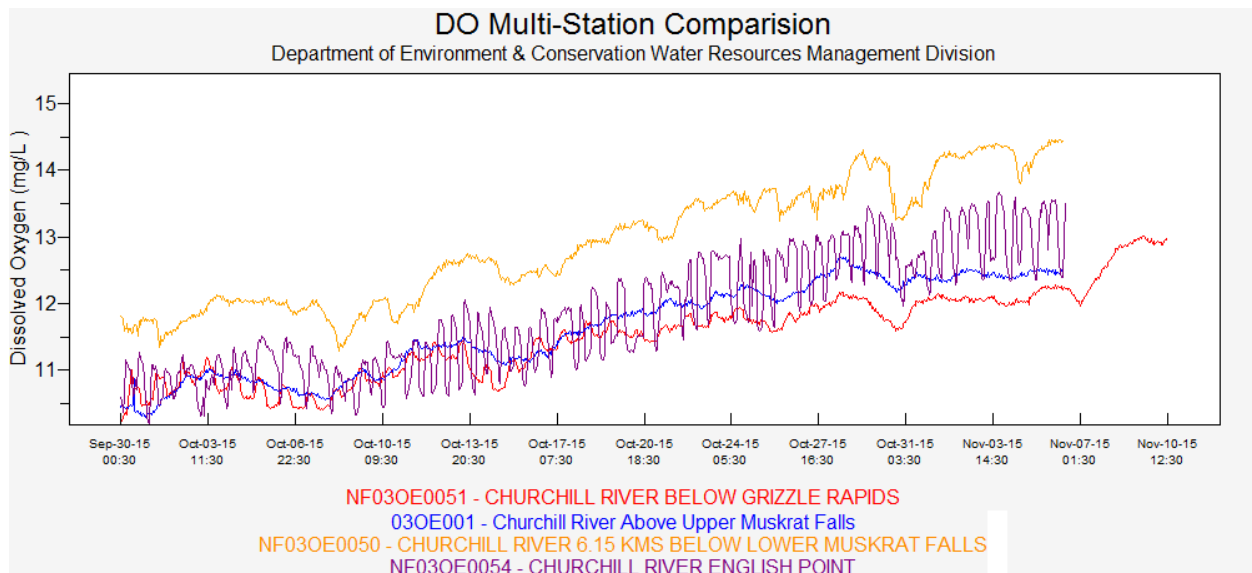
**Figure A1: Comparison of Water Temperature at the Real-Time Stations on Churchill River**



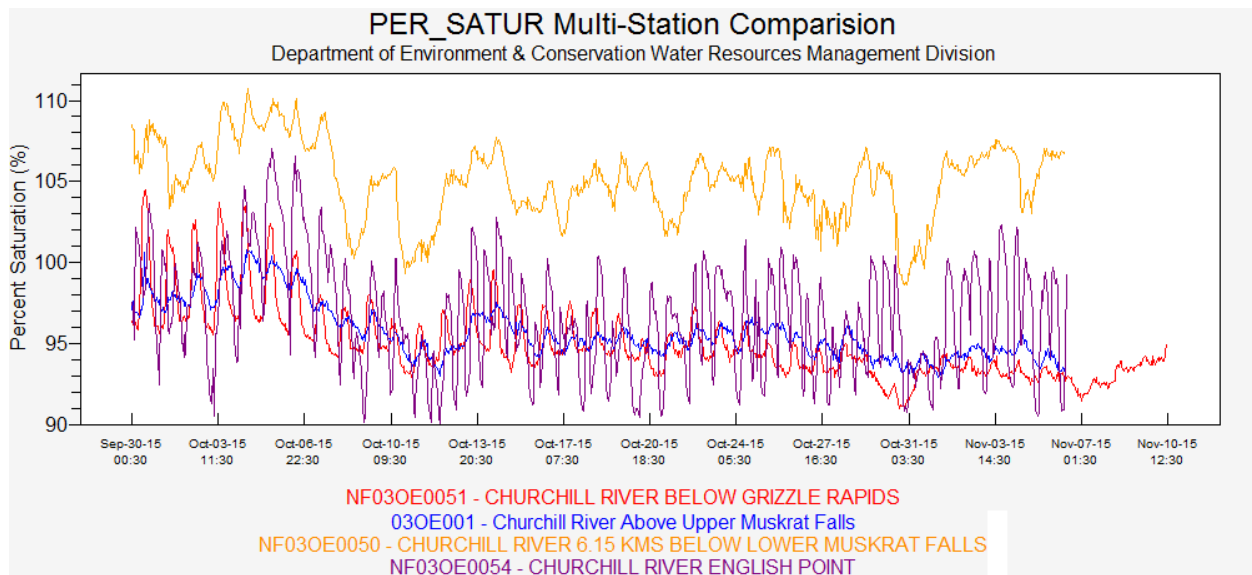
**Figure A2: Comparison of pH at the Real-Time Stations on Churchill River**



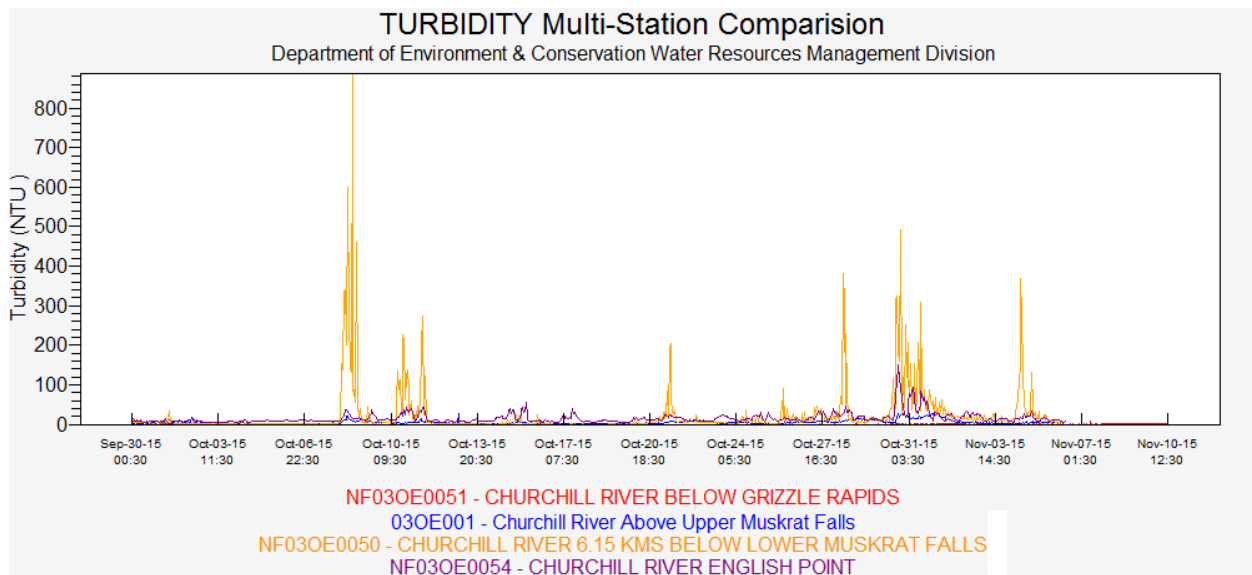
**Figure A3: Comparison of Specific Conductivity at the Real-Time Stations on Churchill River**



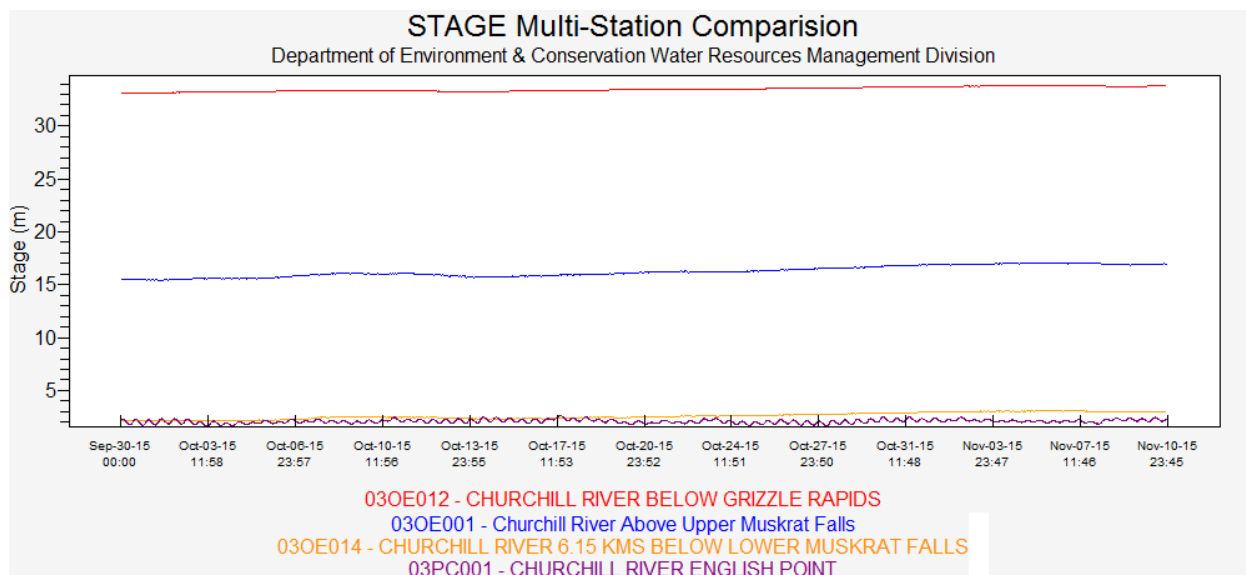
**Figure A4: Comparison of Dissolved Oxygen at the Real-Time Stations on Churchill River**



**Figure A5: Comparison of Dissolved Oxygen (% Sat) at the Real-Time Stations on Churchill River (**



**Figure A6: Comparison of Turbidity at the Real-Time Stations on Churchill River**



**Figure A7: Comparison of Stage (m) at the Real-Time Stations on Churchill River**

## **APPENDIX B- Grab Sample Results**

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1207217	WS-S-0000 CR Below Grizzle Rapids	2015-6331-00-SI-SP	2015-09-30	Alkalinity as CaCO <sub>3</sub>	mg/L	5	11
				Bromide	mg/L	0.25	<0.25
				Chloride	mg/L	1	<1
				Colour	TCU	2	27
				Conductivity	uS/cm	5	21
				Dissolved Organic Carbon	mg/L	0.5	3.5
				Fluoride	mg/L	0.10	<0.10
				Hardness as CaCO <sub>3</sub>	mg/L	1	5
				N-NH <sub>3</sub> (Ammonia)	mg/L	0.025	0.034
				N-NO <sub>2</sub> (Nitrite)	mg/L	0.10	<0.10
				N-NO <sub>3</sub> (Nitrate)	mg/L	0.10	<0.10
				pH		1.00	6.99
				Sulphate	mg/L	1	<1
				Total Dissolved Solids (COND - CALC)	mg/L	1	14
				Total Kjeldahl Nitrogen	mg/L	0.07	0.32
				Total Organic Carbon	mg/L	0.5	3.8
				Total Phosphorus	mg/L	0.05	<0.05
				Turbidity	NTU	0.1	1.4
				Aluminum	mg/L	0.01	0.04
				Antimony	mg/L	0.0005	<0.0005
				Arsenic	mg/L	0.001	<0.001
				Barium	mg/L	0.01	<0.01
				Boron	mg/L	0.01	<0.01
				Calcium	mg/L	1	2
				Cadmium	mg/L	0.0001	<0.0001
				Chromium	mg/L	0.001	<0.001

Sample comment:

Holding time for turbidity analysis was exceeded for the entire report.

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1207217	WS-S-0000 CR Below Grizzle Rapids	2015-6331-00-SI-SP	2015-09-30	Copper	mg/L	0.001	<0.001
				Iron	mg/L	0.03	0.09
				Lead	mg/L	0.001	<0.001
				Magnesium	mg/L	1	<1
				Manganese	mg/L	0.01	<0.01
				Mercury	mg/L	0.0001	<0.0001
				Nickel	mg/L	0.005	<0.005
				Potassium	mg/L	1	<1
				Selenium	mg/L	0.001	<0.001
				Sodium	mg/L	2	<2
				Strontium	mg/L	0.001	0.010
				Uranium	mg/L	0.001	<0.001
				Zinc	mg/L	0.01	<0.01
				Total Suspended Solids	mg/L	2	<2

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1207218	WS-S-0000 CR @ Upper MF	2015-6332-00-SI-SP	2015-09-30	Alkalinity as CaCO <sub>3</sub>	mg/L	5	12
				Bromide	mg/L	0.25	<0.25
				Chloride	mg/L	1	<1
				Colour	TCU	2	30
				Conductivity	uS/cm	5	24
				Dissolved Organic Carbon	mg/L	0.5	3.7
				Fluoride	mg/L	0.10	<0.10
				Hardness as CaCO <sub>3</sub>	mg/L	1	5
				N-NH <sub>3</sub> (Ammonia)	mg/L	0.025	<0.025
				N-NO <sub>2</sub> (Nitrite)	mg/L	0.10	<0.10
				N-NO <sub>3</sub> (Nitrate)	mg/L	0.10	<0.10
				pH		1.00	7.01
				Sulphate	mg/L	1	<1
				Total Dissolved Solids (COND - CALC)	mg/L	1	16
				Total Kjeldahl Nitrogen	mg/L	0.07	0.28
				Total Organic Carbon	mg/L	0.5	3.7
				Total Phosphorus	mg/L	0.05	<0.05
				Turbidity	NTU	0.1	5.8
				Aluminum	mg/L	0.01	0.13
				Antimony	mg/L	0.0005	<0.0005
				Arsenic	mg/L	0.001	<0.001
				Barium	mg/L	0.01	<0.01
				Boron	mg/L	0.01	<0.01
				Calcium	mg/L	1	2
				Cadmium	mg/L	0.0001	<0.0001
				Chromium	mg/L	0.001	0.002

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1207218	WS-S-0000 CR @ Upper MF	2015-6332-00-SI-SP	2015-09-30	Copper	mg/L	0.001	0.001
				Iron	mg/L	0.03	0.24
				Lead	mg/L	0.001	<0.001
				Magnesium	mg/L	1	<1
				Manganese	mg/L	0.01	0.01
				Mercury	mg/L	0.0001	<0.0001
				Nickel	mg/L	0.005	<0.005
				Potassium	mg/L	1	<1
				Selenium	mg/L	0.001	<0.001
				Sodium	mg/L	2	<2
				Strontium	mg/L	0.001	0.012
				Uranium	mg/L	0.001	<0.001
				Zinc	mg/L	0.01	<0.01
				Total Suspended Solids	mg/L	1	13

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LAB ID	Supply / Description	Client Sample ID	Sample Date	ANALYTE	UNIT	MRL	RESULT
1207220	WS-S-0000 Lower Muskrat	2015-6334-00-SI-SP	2015-10-01	Alkalinity as CaCO <sub>3</sub>	mg/L	5	10
				Bromide	mg/L	0.25	<0.25
				Chloride	mg/L	1	<1
				Colour	TCU	2	30
				Conductivity	uS/cm	5	22
				Dissolved Organic Carbon	mg/L	0.5	3.7
				Fluoride	mg/L	0.10	<0.10
				Hardness as CaCO <sub>3</sub>	mg/L	1	5
				N-NH <sub>3</sub> (Ammonia)	mg/L	0.025	<0.025
				N-NO <sub>2</sub> (Nitrite)	mg/L	0.10	<0.10
				N-NO <sub>3</sub> (Nitrate)	mg/L	0.10	<0.10
				pH		1.00	7.02
				Sulphate	mg/L	1	<1
				Total Dissolved Solids (COND - CALC)	mg/L	1	14
				Total Kjeldahl Nitrogen	mg/L	0.07	0.26
				Total Organic Carbon	mg/L	0.5	3.9
				Total Phosphorus	mg/L	0.05	<0.05
				Turbidity	NTU	0.1	4.0
				Aluminum	mg/L	0.01	0.13
				Antimony	mg/L	0.0005	<0.0005
				Arsenic	mg/L	0.001	<0.001
				Barium	mg/L	0.01	<0.01
				Boron	mg/L	0.01	<0.01
				Calcium	mg/L	1	2
				Cadmium	mg/L	0.0001	<0.0001
				Chromium	mg/L	0.001	<0.001

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1207220	WS-S-0000 Lower Muskrat	2015-6334-00-SI-SP	2015-10-01	Copper	mg/L	0.001	<0.001
				Iron	mg/L	0.03	0.20
				Lead	mg/L	0.001	<0.001
				Magnesium	mg/L	1	<1
				Manganese	mg/L	0.01	<0.01
				Mercury	mg/L	0.0001	<0.0001
				Nickel	mg/L	0.005	<0.005
				Potassium	mg/L	1	<1
				Selenium	mg/L	0.001	<0.001
				Sodium	mg/L	2	<2
				Strontium	mg/L	0.001	0.012
				Uranium	mg/L	0.001	<0.001
				Zinc	mg/L	0.01	<0.01
				Total Suspended Solids	mg/L	1	8

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LAB ID	Supply / Description	Client Sample ID	Sample Date	ANALYTE	UNIT	MRL	RESULT
1207221	WS-S-0000 CR @ English Point	2015-6335-00-SI-SP	2015-10-01	Alkalinity as CaCO <sub>3</sub>	mg/L	5	11
				Bromide	mg/L	0.25	<0.25
				Chloride	mg/L	1	5
				Colour	TCU	2	41
				Conductivity	uS/cm	5	38
				Dissolved Organic Carbon	mg/L	0.5	4.3
				Fluoride	mg/L	0.10	<0.10
				Hardness as CaCO <sub>3</sub>	mg/L	1	9
				N-NH <sub>3</sub> (Ammonia)	mg/L	0.025	0.029
				N-NO <sub>2</sub> (Nitrite)	mg/L	0.10	<0.10
				N-NO <sub>3</sub> (Nitrate)	mg/L	0.10	<0.10
				pH		1.00	7.04
				Sulphate	mg/L	1	<1
				Total Dissolved Solids (COND - CALC)	mg/L	1	25
				Total Kjeldahl Nitrogen	mg/L	0.07	0.34
				Total Organic Carbon	mg/L	0.5	4.5
				Total Phosphorus	mg/L	0.05	0.16
				Turbidity	NTU	0.1	13.3
				Aluminum	mg/L	0.01	0.48
				Antimony	mg/L	0.0005	<0.0005
				Arsenic	mg/L	0.001	<0.001
				Barium	mg/L	0.01	0.02
				Boron	mg/L	0.01	<0.01
				Calcium	mg/L	1	2
				Cadmium	mg/L	0.0001	<0.0001
				Chromium	mg/L	0.001	<0.001

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1207221	WS-S-0000 CR @ English Point	2015-6335-00-SI-SP	2015-10-01	Copper	mg/L	0.001	0.001
				Iron	mg/L	0.03	0.73
				Lead	mg/L	0.001	<0.001
				Magnesium	mg/L	1	1
				Manganese	mg/L	0.01	0.03
				Mercury	mg/L	0.0001	<0.0001
				Nickel	mg/L	0.005	<0.005
				Potassium	mg/L	1	<1
				Selenium	mg/L	0.001	<0.001
				Sodium	mg/L	2	3
				Strontium	mg/L	0.001	0.018
				Uranium	mg/L	0.001	<0.001
				Zinc	mg/L	0.01	0.04
				Total Suspended Solids	mg/L	1	49

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**COC Number:** 3415  
**Date Reported:** 2015-11-19  
**Date Submitted:** 2015-11-11  
**Sample Matrix:** Water

LAB ID	Supply / Description	Client Sample ID	Sample Date	ANALYTE	UNIT	MRL	RESULT
1213287	WS-S-0000 Grizzle Rapids	2015-6340-00-SI-SP	2015-11-10	Alkalinity as CaCO <sub>3</sub>	mg/L	5	12
				Bromide	mg/L	0.25	<0.25
				Chloride	mg/L	1	<1
				Colour	TCU	2	27
				Conductivity	uS/cm	5	22
				Dissolved Organic Carbon	mg/L	0.5	3.7
				Fluoride	mg/L	0.10	<0.10
				Hardness as CaCO <sub>3</sub>	mg/L	1	5
				N-NH <sub>3</sub> (Ammonia)	mg/L	0.025	<0.025
				N-NO <sub>2</sub> (Nitrite)	mg/L	0.10	<0.10
				N-NO <sub>3</sub> (Nitrate)	mg/L	0.10	<0.10
				pH		1.00	7.12
				Sulphate	mg/L	1	1
				Total Dissolved Solids (COND - CALC)	mg/L	1	14
				Total Kjeldahl Nitrogen	mg/L	0.07	0.13
				Total Organic Carbon	mg/L	0.5	3.8
				Total Phosphorus	mg/L	0.05	<0.05
				Turbidity	NTU	0.1	0.7
				Aluminum	mg/L	0.01	0.04
				Antimony	mg/L	0.0005	<0.0005
				Arsenic	mg/L	0.001	<0.001
				Barium	mg/L	0.01	<0.01
				Boron	mg/L	0.01	<0.01
				Calcium	mg/L	1	2
				Cadmium	mg/L	0.0001	<0.0001
				Chromium	mg/L	0.001	<0.001

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<u>LAB ID</u>	<u>Supply / Description</u>	<u>Client Sample ID</u>	<u>Sample Date</u>	<u>ANALYTE</u>	<u>UNIT</u>	<u>MRL</u>	<u>RESULT</u>
1213287	WS-S-0000 Grizzle Rapids	2015-6340-00-SI-SP	2015-11-10	Copper	mg/L	0.001	<0.001
				Iron	mg/L	0.03	0.09
				Lead	mg/L	0.001	<0.001
				Magnesium	mg/L	1	<1
				Manganese	mg/L	0.01	0.02
				Mercury	mg/L	0.0001	<0.0001
				Nickel	mg/L	0.005	<0.005
				Potassium	mg/L	1	<1
				Selenium	mg/L	0.001	<0.001
				Sodium	mg/L	2	<2
				Strontium	mg/L	0.001	0.012
				Uranium	mg/L	0.001	<0.001
				Zinc	mg/L	0.01	<0.01
				Total Suspended Solids	mg/L	1	3

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**Date Submitted:** 2015-11-11  
**Sample Matrix:** Water


LAB ID	Supply / Description	Client Sample ID	Sample Date	ANALYTE	UNIT	MRL	RESULT
1213294	WS-S-0000 CR Above MF	2015-6336-00-SI-SP	2015-11-06	Alkalinity as CaCO <sub>3</sub>	mg/L	5	13
				Bromide	mg/L	0.25	<0.25
				Chloride	mg/L	1	<1
				Colour	TCU	2	27
				Conductivity	uS/cm	5	32
				Dissolved Organic Carbon	mg/L	0.5	3.8
				Fluoride	mg/L	0.10	<0.10
				Hardness as CaCO <sub>3</sub>	mg/L	1	5
				N-NH <sub>3</sub> (Ammonia)	mg/L	0.025	<0.025
				N-NO <sub>2</sub> (Nitrite)	mg/L	0.10	<0.10
				N-NO <sub>3</sub> (Nitrate)	mg/L	0.10	<0.10
				pH		1.00	7.55
				Sulphate	mg/L	1	<1
				Total Dissolved Solids (COND - CALC)	mg/L	1	21
				Total Kjeldahl Nitrogen	mg/L	0.07	0.30
				Total Organic Carbon	mg/L	0.5	3.8
				Total Phosphorus	mg/L	0.05	<0.05
				Turbidity	NTU	0.1	1.7
				Aluminum	mg/L	0.01	0.17
				Antimony	mg/L	0.0005	<0.0005
				Arsenic	mg/L	0.001	<0.001
				Barium	mg/L	0.01	<0.01
				Boron	mg/L	0.01	<0.01
				Calcium	mg/L	1	2
				Cadmium	mg/L	0.0001	<0.0001
				Chromium	mg/L	0.001	<0.001

Sample comment:

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1213294	WS-S-0000 CR Above MF	2015-6336-00-SI-SP	2015-11-06	Copper	mg/L	0.001	<0.001
				Iron	mg/L	0.03	0.26
				Lead	mg/L	0.001	<0.001
				Magnesium	mg/L	1	<1
				Manganese	mg/L	0.01	0.02
				Mercury	mg/L	0.0001	<0.0001
				Nickel	mg/L	0.005	<0.005
				Potassium	mg/L	1	<1
				Selenium	mg/L	0.001	<0.001
				Sodium	mg/L	2	<2
				Strontium	mg/L	0.001	0.011
				Uranium	mg/L	0.001	<0.001
				Zinc	mg/L	0.01	<0.01
				Total Suspended Solids	mg/L	1	4

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1213295	WS-S-0000 CR Below MF	2015-6337-00-SI-SP	2015-11-06	Alkalinity as CaCO <sub>3</sub>	mg/L	5	11
				Bromide	mg/L	0.25	<0.25
				Chloride	mg/L	1	<1
				Colour	TCU	2	30
				Conductivity	uS/cm	5	22
				Dissolved Organic Carbon	mg/L	0.5	3.9
				Fluoride	mg/L	0.10	<0.10
				Hardness as CaCO <sub>3</sub>	mg/L	1	5
				N-NH <sub>3</sub> (Ammonia)	mg/L	0.025	<0.025
				N-NO <sub>2</sub> (Nitrite)	mg/L	0.10	<0.10
				N-NO <sub>3</sub> (Nitrate)	mg/L	0.10	<0.10
				pH		1.00	7.17
				Sulphate	mg/L	1	<1
				Total Dissolved Solids (COND - CALC)	mg/L	1	14
				Total Kjeldahl Nitrogen	mg/L	0.07	0.52
				Total Organic Carbon	mg/L	0.5	3.9
				Total Phosphorus	mg/L	0.05	<0.05
				Turbidity	NTU	0.1	5.1
				Aluminum	mg/L	0.01	0.26
				Antimony	mg/L	0.0005	<0.0005
				Arsenic	mg/L	0.001	<0.001
				Barium	mg/L	0.01	<0.01
				Boron	mg/L	0.01	<0.01
				Calcium	mg/L	1	2
				Cadmium	mg/L	0.0001	<0.0001
				Chromium	mg/L	0.001	<0.001

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1213295	WS-S-0000 CR Below MF	2015-6337-00-SI-SP	2015-11-06	Copper	mg/L	0.001	<0.001
				Iron	mg/L	0.03	0.27
				Lead	mg/L	0.001	<0.001
				Magnesium	mg/L	1	<1
				Manganese	mg/L	0.01	0.02
				Mercury	mg/L	0.0001	<0.0001
				Nickel	mg/L	0.005	<0.005
				Potassium	mg/L	1	<1
				Selenium	mg/L	0.001	<0.001
				Sodium	mg/L	2	<2
				Strontium	mg/L	0.001	0.011
				Uranium	mg/L	0.001	<0.001
				Zinc	mg/L	0.01	<0.01
				Total Suspended Solids	mg/L	1	10

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1213297	WS-S-0000 English Point	2015-6339-00-SI-SP	2015-11-06	Alkalinity as CaCO <sub>3</sub>	mg/L	5	9
				Bromide	mg/L	0.25	<0.25
				Chloride	mg/L	1	3
				Colour	TCU	2	39
				Conductivity	uS/cm	5	35
				Dissolved Organic Carbon	mg/L	0.5	4.3
				Fluoride	mg/L	0.10	<0.10
				Hardness as CaCO <sub>3</sub>	mg/L	1	9
				N-NH <sub>3</sub> (Ammonia)	mg/L	0.025	0.091
				N-NO <sub>2</sub> (Nitrite)	mg/L	0.10	<0.10
				N-NO <sub>3</sub> (Nitrate)	mg/L	0.10	<0.10
				pH		1.00	7.11
				Sulphate	mg/L	1	1
				Total Dissolved Solids (COND - CALC)	mg/L	1	23
				Total Kjeldahl Nitrogen	mg/L	0.07	0.13
				Total Organic Carbon	mg/L	0.5	4.5
				Total Phosphorus	mg/L	0.05	<0.05
				Turbidity	NTU	0.1	5.2
				Aluminum	mg/L	0.01	0.29
				Antimony	mg/L	0.0005	<0.0005
				Arsenic	mg/L	0.001	<0.001
				Barium	mg/L	0.01	<0.01
				Boron	mg/L	0.01	<0.01
				Calcium	mg/L	1	2
				Cadmium	mg/L	0.0001	<0.0001
				Chromium	mg/L	0.001	<0.001

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1213297	WS-S-0000 English Point	2015-6339-00-SI-SP	2015-11-06	Copper	mg/L	0.001	0.001
				Iron	mg/L	0.03	0.44
				Lead	mg/L	0.001	<0.001
				Magnesium	mg/L	1	1
				Manganese	mg/L	0.01	0.02
				Mercury	mg/L	0.0001	<0.0001
				Nickel	mg/L	0.005	<0.005
				Potassium	mg/L	1	<1
				Selenium	mg/L	0.001	<0.001
				Sodium	mg/L	2	3
				Strontium	mg/L	0.001	0.016
				Uranium	mg/L	0.001	<0.001
				Zinc	mg/L	0.01	<0.01
				Total Suspended Solids	mg/L	2	10

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## APPENDIX C-Quality Assurance / Quality Control Procedures

- As part of the Quality Assurance / Quality Control (QA/QC) protocol, the performance of a station's water quality instrument (i.e., Field Sonde) is rated at the beginning and end of its deployment period. The procedure is based on the approach used by the United States Geological Survey (Wagner *et al.* 2006)<sup>1</sup>.
- At the beginning of the deployment period, a newly calibrated QA/QC water quality instrument (i.e., QA/QC Sonde) is temporarily deployed *in-situ* and along side the newly calibrated Field Sonde. A grab sample is also taken from the water body at this time and sent away to a laboratory for analysis. Field Sonde performance ratings for *temperature* ( $^{\circ}\text{C}$ ) and *Dissolved Oxygen* (% saturation) are based on differences recorded by the Field Sonde and QA/QC Sonde. Field Sonde performance ratings for *specific conductivity* ( $\mu\text{S}/\text{cm}$ ), *pH* (unit) and *turbidity* (NTU) are based on differences between Field Sonde readings and grab sample results.
- At the end of the deployment period, water quality parameters are recorded by the Field Sonde before and after a thorough cleaning of its probes. Error caused by *bio-fouling* ( $E_f$ ) is assessed by comparing these readings with readings made by a newly calibrated QA/QC Sonde, which is temporarily deployed *in-situ* and along side the Field Sonde. An assessment of *instrument drift error* ( $E_d$ ) is made during laboratory calibration of the Field Sonde, and the two error values are added to give an estimate of total error ( $E_t = E_f + E_d$ ). If  $E_t$  exceeds a predetermined data correction criterion, a correction factor is applied to the dataset based on linear interpolation of  $E_t$ . The Field Sonde performance is also rated at the end of the deployment period, based on the  $E_t$  value.
- Performance ratings are based on differences listed in the table below.

Parameter	Rating				
	Excellent	Good	Fair	Marginal	Poor
Temperature ( $^{\circ}\text{C}$ )	$\leq \pm 0.2$	$> \pm 0.2$ to 0.5	$> \pm 0.5$ to 0.8	$> \pm 0.8$ to 1	$> \pm 1$
pH (unit)	$\leq \pm 0.2$	$> \pm 0.2$ to 0.5	$> \pm 0.5$ to 0.8	$> \pm 0.8$ to 1	$> \pm 1$
Sp. Conductance ( $\mu\text{S}/\text{cm}$ )	$\leq \pm 3$	$> \pm 3$ to 10	$> \pm 10$ to 15	$> \pm 15$ to 20	$> \pm 20$
Sp. Conductance $> 35 \mu\text{S}/\text{cm}$ (%)	$\leq \pm 3$	$> \pm 3$ to 10	$> \pm 10$ to 15	$> \pm 15$ to 20	$> \pm 20$
Dissolved Oxygen (mg/l) (% Sat)	$\leq \pm 0.3$	$> \pm 0.3$ to 0.5	$> \pm 0.5$ to 0.8	$> \pm 0.8$ to 1	$> \pm 1$
Turbidity $< 40$ NTU (NTU)	$\leq \pm 2$	$> \pm 2$ to 5	$> \pm 5$ to 8	$> \pm 8$ to 10	$> \pm 10$
Turbidity $> 40$ NTU (%)	$\leq \pm 5$	$> \pm 5$ to 10	$> \pm 10$ to 15	$> \pm 15$ to 20	$> \pm 20$

<sup>1</sup> Wagner, R.J., Boulger, R.W., Jr., Oblinger, C.J., and Smith, B.A., 2006, Guidelines and standard procedures for continuous water-quality monitors—Station operation, record computation, and data reporting: U.S. Geological Survey Techniques and Methods 1–D3, 51 p. + 8 attachments; accessed April 10, 2006, at <http://pubs.water.usgs.gov/tm1d3>

## APPENDIX D-Water Parameter Description

- **Dissolved Oxygen** - The amount of Dissolved Oxygen (DO) (mg/l or % saturation) in the water is vital to aquatic organisms for their survival. The concentration of DO is affected by such things as water temperature, water depth and flow (e.g., aeration by rapids, riffles etc.), consumption by aerobic organisms, consumption by inorganic chemical reactions, consumption by plants during darkness, and production by plants during the daylight (Allan 2010).
- **Flow** – Flow (m<sup>3</sup>/s) is a measure of how quickly a volume of water is displaced in streams, rivers, and other channels.
- **pH** - pH is the measure of hydrogen ion activity and affects: (i) the availability of nutrients to aquatic life; (ii) the concentration of biochemical substances dissolved in water; (iii) the efficiency of hemoglobin in the blood of vertebrates; and (iv) the toxicity of pollutants. Changes in pH can be attributed to industrial effluence, saline inflows or aquatic organisms involved in the photosynthetic cycling of CO<sub>2</sub> (Allan 2010).
- **Specific conductivity** - Specific conductivity (μS/cm) is a measure of water's ability to conduct electricity, with values normalized to a water temperature of 25°C. Specific conductance indicates the concentration of dissolved solids (such as salts) in the water, which can affect the growth and reproduction of aquatic life. Specific conductivity is affected by rainfall events, the composition of inflowing tributaries and their associated geology, saline inflow (e.g., road salt), agricultural run-off and industrial inputs (Allan 2010; Swanson and Baldwin 1965).
- **Stage** – Stage (m) is the elevation of the water surface and is often used as a surrogate for the more difficult to measure flow.
- **Temperature** - Essential to the measurement of most water quality parameters, temperature (°C) controls most processes and dynamics of limnology. Water temperature is influenced by such things as ambient air temperature, solar radiation, meteorological events, industrial effluence, wastewater, inflowing tributaries, as well as water body size and depth (Allan 2010; Hach 2006).
- **Total Dissolved Solids** - Total Dissolved Solids (TDS) (g/l) is a measure of alkaline salts dissolved in water or in fine suspension and can affect the growth and reproduction of aquatic life. It is affected by rainfall events, the composition of inflowing tributaries and their associated geology, saline inflow (e.g., road salt), agricultural run-off and industrial inputs (Allan 2010; Swanson and Baldwin 1965).
- **Turbidity** - Turbidity (NTU) is a measure of the translucence of water and indicates the amount of suspended material in the water. Turbidity is caused by any substance that makes water cloudy (e.g., soil erosion, micro-organisms, vegetation, chemicals, etc.) and can correspond to precipitation events, high stage, and floating debris near the sensor (Allan 2010; Hach 2006; Swanson and Baldwin 1965)