

# Real Time Water Quality Report Tata Steel Minerals Canada Elross Lake Network

**Deployment Period** 2012-07-14 to 2012-08-22



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#### General

- The Water Resources Management Division, in partnership with Tata Steel Minerals Canada Limited and Environment Canada, maintain two real-time water quality and water quantity stations in close proximity to the Elross Lake Iron Ore Mine in western Labrador, near Schefferville, QC.
- The official name of each station is ELROSS CREEK BELOW PINETTE LAKE INFLOW and GOODREAM CREEK 2KM NORTHWEST OF TIMMINS 6, hereafter referred to as the *Elross Creek Station* and the *Goodream Creek Station*, respectively.
- Station sites were selected to monitor all surface water outflows from the Elross Lake mining
  site. The Elross Creek Station is situated downstream of the Timmins 1 pit, and downstream of
  Pinette Lake. The Goodream Creek Station will serve to monitor potential impacts from
  groundwater flowing from Timmins 6 pit into the surface water of Goodream Creek.
- The Water Resources Management Division will inform Tata Steel Minerals Canada Limited of any significant water quality events by email notification and by monthly deployment reports.
- This monthly deployment report, presents water quality and water quantity data recorded at the Elross Creek and Goodream Creek stations from July 14, 2012 to August 22, 2012.

# **Quality Assurance / Quality Control**

- Water quality instrument performance is tested at the beginning and end of its deployment period. The process is outlined in Appendix A.
- Instruments are assigned a performance rating (i.e., poor, marginal, fair, good or excellent) for each water quality parameter measured.
- Table 1 shows the performance ratings of five water quality parameters (i.e., temperature, pH, specific conductivity, dissolved oxygen and turbidity) measured by instruments deployed at the water monitoring stations.



Table 1. Water quality instrument performance at the beginning and end of deployment at the Elross Creek and Goodream Creek stations.

	Elross Creel	k (Sonde 62065)	Goodream Creek (Sonde 62068)		
Stage of deployment	Beginning	End	Beginning	End	
Date	2012-07-14	2012-08-22	2012-07-14	2012-08-22	
Temperature	Excellent	Excellent	Excellent	Excellent	
рН	Excellent	Good	Excellent	Excellent	
Specific Conductivity	Excellent	Excellent	Excellent	Excellent	
Dissolved Oxygen	Excellent	Excellent	Excellent	Excellent	
Turbidity	Good	Fair	Excellent	Poor	

- With the exception of turbidity, the performances of all sensors were rated good to excellent at the beginning and end of the deployment period (Table 1).
- The turbidity sensor at the Elross Creek station was given a fair performance rating at the end of
  deployment. It was noted during the field visit on August 22, 2012 that there was a heavy silt
  build-up inside the protective casing of the field instrument, which may have influenced
  turbidity readings. To remedy this problem, the instrument will be deployed on a rocky
  substrate to prevent silt settling in and around instrument sensors.
- The turbidity sensor at the Goodream Creek station was given a poor performance rating at the
  end of deployment. It was determined that the turbidity sensor wiper was incorrectly
  assembled at the start of deployment (Figure 1), and as a result had interfered with the
  functioning of the turbidity sensor. All turbidity readings at Goodream Creek were invalid for
  the entire deployment period.





Figure 1. The turbidity probe wiper was incorrectly installed and repositioned itself on top of the sensor window, invalidating all turbidity data recorded during the deployment period.



#### **Deployment Notes**

- Transmission errors occurred sporadically throughout the deployment period at the Goodream Creek station, resulting in the loss of 58 hourly data records. It was suspected that the time allotted by the Automated Data Retrieval System (ADRS) for data upload from the station to the satellite was exceeded, causing 58 incomplete data transmissions. As a result, data gaps are apparent in the datasets displayed in this report.
- Mining operations were halted on June 29, 2012 and were suspended for the remainder of the deployment period.
- All turbidity readings at Goodream Creek were invalid for the entire deployment period, due to improper assemblage of the turbidity probe wiper.

#### **Data Interpretation**

• Data records were interpreted for each station during the deployment period for the following seven parameters:

(i.) Stage (m)

(ii.) Temperature (°C)

(iii.) pH

(iv.) Specific conductivity (μS/cm)

(v.) Total dissolved solids (g/l)

(vi.) Dissolved oxygen (mg/l)

(vii.) Turbidity (NTU)



#### **Stage**

- Stage values ranged from 1.062 m to 1.385 m at Elross Creek and from 1.786 m to 2.150 m at Goodream Creek from July 14, 2012 to August 22, 2012 (Figure 2).
- Weekly fluctuations observed at both stations coincided well with precipitation events (Figure 2 inset, Appendix C). Indeed, rainfall amounts of 142.6 mm that fell over a 9 day period, from July 30, 2012 to August 7, 2012, caused an increase in stage at both stations midway through the deployment period.
- Stage values are based on a vertical reference that is unique to each station. As a result, absolute values of stage are not comparable between stations, but relative changes in stage are.

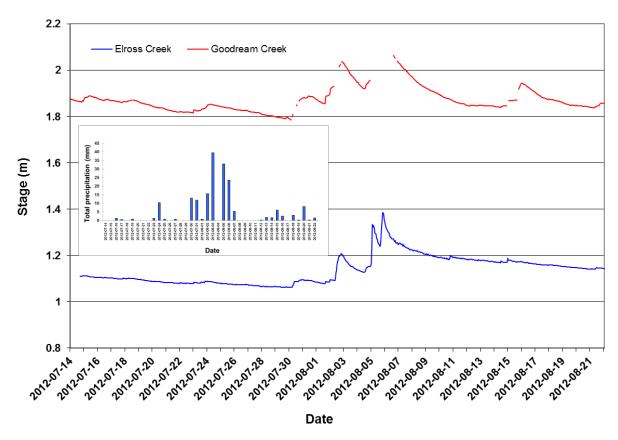


Figure 2. Hourly stage (m) values recorded at Elross Creek and Goodream Creek from July 14, 2012 to August 22, 2012.



#### **Temperature**

- Water temperature ranged from 9.30°C to 16.10°C at Elross Creek and from 8.43°C to 19.93°C at Goodream Creek from July 14, 2012 to August 22, 2012 (Figure 3).
- Water temperatures at both stations display large diurnal variations. This is typical of shallow water streams and ponds that are highly influenced by diurnal variations in ambient air temperatures.
- Weekly trends in water temperature also corresponded well with ambient air temperatures recorded by Environment Canada at the Schefferville weather station (Figure 3 inset, Appendix C).
- Water temperatures at Elross Creek were on average 1.03°C colder than water temperatures at Goodream Creek.

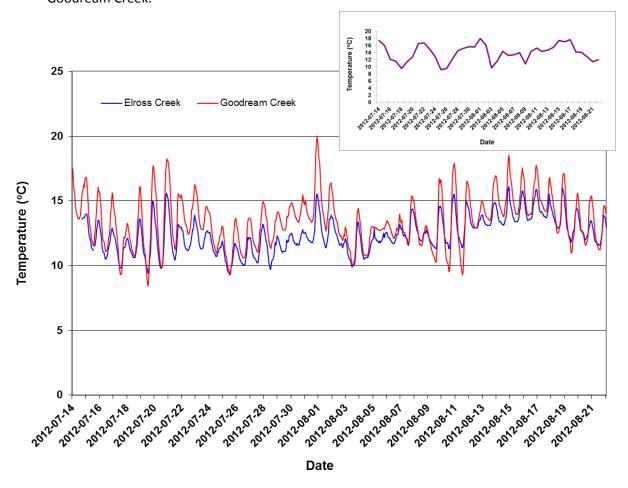


Figure 3. Hourly water temperature (°C) values recorded at Elross Creek and Goodream Creek from July 14, 2012 to August 22, 2012. The inset chart shows mean daily air temperature during the same period, as recorded by Environment Canada at the Schefferville weather station.



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- pH values ranged from 5.93 units to 6.84 units at Elross Creek and from 5.18 units to 6.43 units at Goodream Creek from July 14, 2012 to August 22, 2012 (Figure 4).
- pH values at both stations fluctuated daily with peaks typically occurring in the late afternoon/ early evening. These variations coincide with the photosynthetic cycling of CO<sub>2</sub> by aquatic organisms.
- Weekly trends in pH corresponded well with changes in stage (Figure 2), which is influenced by rainfall activity and surface runoff.
- On average, pH was 0.41 units higher at Elross Creek than at Goodream Creek.
- All pH values recorded at Goodream Creek fell below the minimum acceptable range for the protection of aquatic life (i.e., 6.5 units), as defined by the Canadian Council of Ministers of the Environment (2007). pH values recorded at Elross Creek fluctuated around the minimum pH guideline set for the protection of aquatic life (i.e., 6.5 units). These are normal pH levels, based on baseline data collected around July 17-19, 2008 and September 10-12, 2008 (AMEC 2009, as cited in NML 2009). Baseline data indicated a high variation in pH at the sampling site (i.e., DSO3-15) in close proximity to the Elross Creek station (5.8-7.78 units) and two sampling sites (i.e., DSO3-11 & DSO3-14) upstream of the Goodream Creek station (5.6-7.2 units).

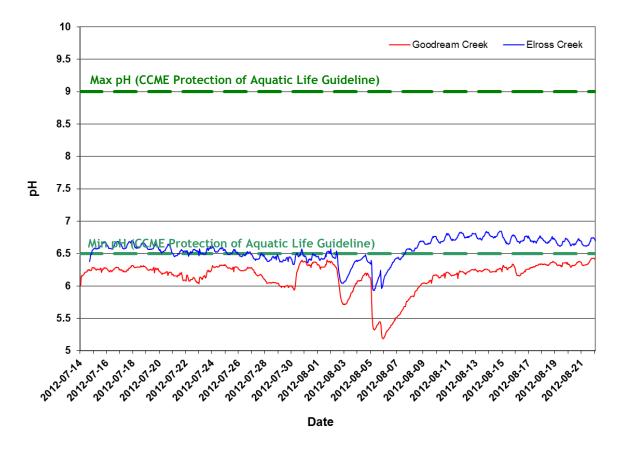


Figure 4. Hourly pH values recorded at Elross Creek and Goodream Creek from July 14, 2012 to August 22, 2012.



# **Specific Conductivity**

- Specific Conductivity ranged from 9.5  $\mu$ s/cm to 19.3  $\mu$ s/cm at Elross Creek and from 4.1  $\mu$ s/cm to 5.8  $\mu$ s/cm at Goodream Creek from July 14, 2012 to August 22, 2012 (Figure 5).
- Specific conductivity values at both stations fluctuated daily with peaks typically occurring late
  evening/early morning. Diurnal fluctuations could be attributed to the photosynthetic cycling of
  CO<sub>2</sub> by aquatic organisms, with peaks coinciding with a presumed increase in major ions (e.g.,
  HCO<sub>3</sub>-) during the night.
- Weekly trends in specific conductivity were more apparent at Elross Creek compared to
  Goodream Creek. Weekly fluctuations at Elross Creek coincided with changes in stage (Figure
  2), which is influenced by rainfall activity and surface runoff. The sustained increase in specific
  conductivity measured at Elross Creek during the last two weeks of the deployment period also
  coincident with a sustained increase in stage.
- On average, specific conductivity was 10.7  $\mu$ S/cm higher at Elross Creek than at Goodream Creek.

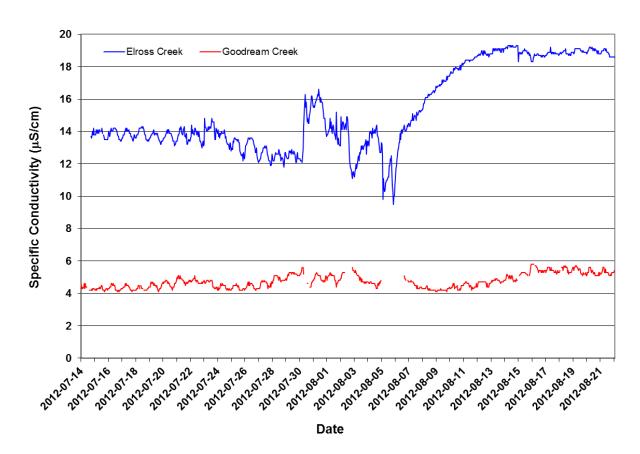


Figure 5. Hourly specific conductivity ( $\mu$ s/cm) values recorded at Elross Creek and Goodream Creek from July 14, 2012 to August 22, 2012.



#### **Total Dissolved Solids**

- Total Dissolved Solids (TDS) values ranged from 0.0061 g/l to 0.0124 g/l at Elross Creek and from 0.0026 g/l to 0.0037 g/l at Goodream Creek from July 14, 2012 to August 22, 2012 (Figure 6).
- TDS is calculated directly from specific conductance and temperature, and as a result TDS values show a similar trend to specific conductance (Figure 5).
- TDS values were on average 0.0069 g/l higher at Elross Creek compared to Goodream Creek.

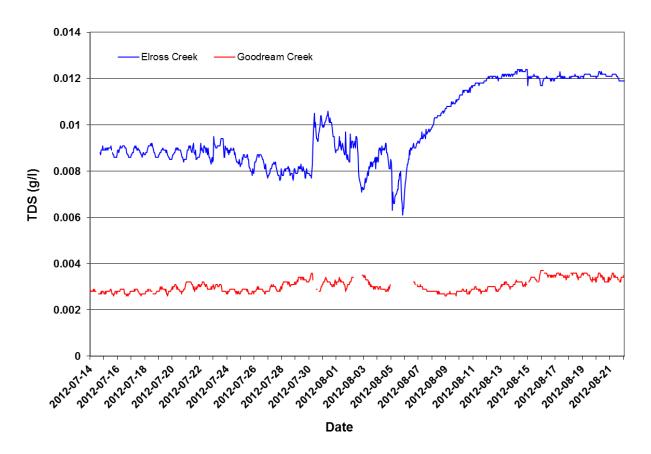


Figure 6. Hourly TDS (g/l) values recorded at Elross Creek and Goodream Creek July 14, 2012 to August 22, 2012.



#### **Dissolved Oxygen**

- Dissolved Oxygen [DO] values ranged from 8.88 mg/l to 10.12 mg/l at Elross Creek and from 6.34 mg/l to 14.24 mg/l at Goodream Creek from July 14, 2012 to August 22, 2012 (Figure 7).
- DO (mg/l) fluctuated daily, with increases in DO observed in the afternoon and decreases observed at night. These diurnal variations can be attributed to the photosynthetic activity of aquatic organisms.
- Weekly trends in DO (mg/l) corresponded well with the inverse of water temperature (Figure 3), since colder water has a greater potential to dissolve oxygen compared to warmer water. This was most apparent at the Goodream Creek station, where large decreases in DO corresponded to increases in water temperature on July 20-23, 2012 (16.0°C –17.8°C) and August 11, 2012 (17.7°C). The large decrease in DO on June 30, 2012 was attributed to warm weather in addition to a minimum stage reading.
- On average, DO values were 0.11 mg/l higher at Elross Creek compared to Goodream Creek.
   This difference can be attributed to colder water temperatures at Elross Creek than at Goodream Creek (Figure 3).
- DO values at both stations fell below cold water minimum guidelines set for aquatic life during early life stages (9.5 mg/l) period, but were generally above minimum guidelines set for other life stages (6.5 mg/l), as determined by the Canadian Council of Ministers of the Environment (2007).

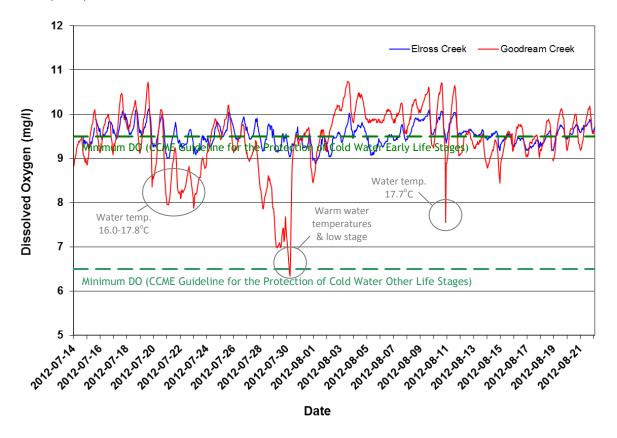


Figure 7. Hourly dissolved oxygen (mg/l) values recorded at Elross Creek and Goodream Creek from July 14, 2012 to August 22, 2012.



#### **Turbidity**

- Turbidity values ranged from 0.0 NTU to 3000.0 NTU<sup>1</sup> at Elross Creek from July 14, 2012 to August 22, 2012 (Figure 8).
- The turbidity sensor at Goodream Creek had its wiper incorrectly positioned over its sensor window. As a result, all turbidity readings at Goodream Creek were invalid for the entire deployment period.
- There were several large turbidity events measured at the Elross Creek station. These turbidity events typically coincided with rainfall events (Appendix C). Also, the bottom substrate of Elross Creek, in the deployment area, contains silt sediment, which was found inside the water quality instrument casing at the end of deployment. The silt sediment may have become suspended at times of high flow, causing increases in turbidity.

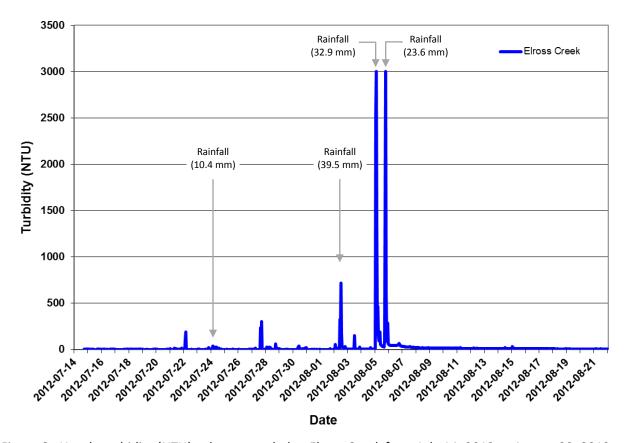


Figure 8. Hourly turbidity (NTU) values recorded at Elross Creek from July 14, 2012 to August 22, 2012.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Please note that a turbidity reading of 3000.0 NTU can indicate an error result or that turbidity is greater or equal to 3000.0 NTU.



#### **Conclusion**

- This monthly deployment report, presents water quality and water quantity data recorded at the Elross Creek and Goodream Creek stations from July 14, 2012 to August 22, 2012.
- Mining operations were halted on June 29, 2012 and were suspended for the remainder of the deployment period.
- With the exception of turbidity, the performances of all sensors were rated good to excellent at the beginning and end of the deployment period.
- The turbidity sensor at the Elross Creek station was given a fair performance rating at the end of deployment. It was noted during the field visit on August 22, 2012 that there was a heavy silt build-up inside the protective casing of the field instrument, which may have influenced turbidity readings. To remedy this problem, the instrument will be deployed on a rocky substrate to prevent silt settling in and around instrument sensors.
- The turbidity sensor at the Goodream Creek station was given a poor performance rating at the
  end of deployment. It was determined that the turbidity sensor wiper was incorrectly
  assembled at the start of deployment, and as a result, the wiper had interfered with the
  functioning of the turbidity sensor. All turbidity readings at Goodream Creek were invalid for
  the entire deployment period.
- Variations in water quality/quantity values recorded at each station are summarized below:
  - Weekly fluctuations in stage recorded at both stations coincided well with precipitation events.
  - Fluctuations in water temperature corresponded with fluctuations in air temperature.
  - Daily variations in pH coincided with the photosynthetic cycling of CO<sub>2</sub> by aquatic organisms and weekly trends in pH coincided well with changes in stage, which is influenced by rainfall activity and surface runoff.
  - Daily variations in specific conductivity and TDS values could be attributed to the photosynthetic cycling of CO<sub>2</sub> by aquatic organisms and weekly variations were in part attributed to changes in stage.
  - DO (mg/l) variations were related to changes in water temperature and the photosynthetic activity and aerobic respiration of aquatic organisms.
  - Turbidity events at Elross Creek were mainly attributed to increased flow rates after rainfall activity and the resulting effects of sediment suspension.
- Field instruments for both stations were calibrated and redeployed on August 23, 2012.



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# APPENDIX A 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 fully cleaned and calibrated QA/QC water quality instrument (i.e., QA/QC Sonde) is placed *in-situ* with the fully cleaned and calibrated Field Sonde. After Sonde readings have stabilized, which may take up to five minutes in some cases, water quality parameters, as measured by both Sondes, are recorded to a field sheet. Field Sonde performance for all parameters is rated based on differences recorded by the Field Sonde and QA/QC Sonde. If the readings from both Sondes are in close agreement, the QA/QC Sonde can be removed from the water. If the readings are not in close agreement, there will be attempts to reconcile the problem on site (e.g., removing air bubbles from sensors, etc.). If no fix is made, the Field Sonde may be removed for recalibration.
- At the end of the deployment period, a fully cleaned and calibrated QA/QC Sonde is once again deployed *in-situ* with the Field Sonde, which has already been deployment for 30-40 days. After Sonde readings have stabilized, water quality parameters, as measured by both Sondes, are recorded to a field sheet. Field Sonde performance for all parameters is rated based on differences recorded by the Field Sonde and QA/QC Sonde.
- Performance ratings are based on differences listed in the table below.

	Rating							
Parameter	Excellent	Good	Fair	Marginal	Poor			
Temperature (°C)	≤ ±0.2	> ±0.2 to 0.5	> $\pm 0.5$ to 0.8	> ±0.8 to 1	>±1			
pH (unit)	≤ ±0.2	> $\pm 0.2$ to 0.5	> $\pm 0.5$ 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 > 35 μS/cm(%)	≤ ±3	> ±3 to 10	> ±10 to 15	> ±15 to 20	> ±20			
Dissolved Oxygen (mg/l) (% Sat)	≤ ±0.3	> $\pm 0.3$ to 0.5	$> \pm 0.5$ 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			

<sup>&</sup>lt;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 <a href="http://pubs.water.usgs.gov/tm1d3">http://pubs.water.usgs.gov/tm1d3</a>



# APPENDIX B Water Parameter Description

- **Dissolved Oxygen** The amount of Dissolved Oxygen (DO) (mg/l) 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).
- 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).



**APPENDIX C** Environment Canada Weather Data – Schefferville (July 14, 2012 to August 22, 2012)

Date	Max Temp	Min Temp	Mean Temp	Heat Deg Days	Cool Deg Days	Total Rain	Total Snow	Total Precip	Snow on Grnd	Avg Wind Spd	Avg Wind Dir
yyyy-mm-dd	°C	°C	°C	°C	°C	mm	cm	mm	cm	km/hr	deg
2012-07-14	23.9	10.9	17.4	0.6	0	М	М	М	М	8.5	186.5
2012-07-15	21.6	10.3	16	2	0	M	M	M	M	17.1	237.1
2012-07-16	16.3	7.8	12.1	5.9	0	M	M	1.3	M	13.8	278.3
2012-07-17	15.8	7.3	11.6	6.4	0	M	M	0.5	M	11.4	219.1
2012-07-18	13.3 (E)	5.7 (E)	9.5 (E)	8.5 (E)	0 (E)	M	M	M	M	10.5	263.8
2012-07-19	16.2	6.8	11.5	6.5	0	M	M	0.8	M	13.5	109.2
2012-07-20	20.1	5.6	12.9	5.1	0	M	M	M	M	13.3	269.6
2012-07-21	24.6	8.5	16.6	1.4	0	M	M	0	M	7.4	167.8
2012-07-22	23.1	10.5	16.8	1.2	0	M	M	M	M	13.2	189.2
2012-07-23	18.6	11.4	15	3	0	M	M	1.3	M	13.5	217.1
2012-07-24	16.5	9.2	12.9	5.1	0	M	M	10.4	M	12.7	234.1
2012-07-25	12.6	5.7	9.2	8.8	0	M	M	0.8	M	17.2	253.8
2012-07-26	13.1	5.9	9.5	8.5	0	M	M	0	M	15.9	240.0
2012-07-27	15.5	8.6	12.1	5.9	0	M	M	0.8	M	16.0	294.2
2012-07-28	19.7	9.5	14.6	3.4	0	M	M	0	M	8.9	233.0
2012-07-29	20.5	9.8	15.2	2.8	0	M	M	0	M	17.8	220.4
2012-07-30	18	13.3	15.7	2.3	0	M	M	13.1	M	14.3	225.8
2012-07-31	17.4	13.8	15.6	2.4	0	M	M	11.8	M	10.5	184.8
2012-08-01	23.2	12.8	18	0	0	M	M	0.8	M	9.6	211.3
2012-08-02	19.5	12.6	16.1	1.9	0	M	M	15.6	M	8.7	232.2
2012-08-03	13.1	6.2	9.7	8.3	0	M	M	39.5	M	14.9	301.3
2012-08-04	15.9	7.2	11.6	6.4	0	M	M	0	M	14.9	240.0
2012-08-05	19.2	9.6	14.4	3.6	0	M	M	32.9	M	15.3	191.5
2012-08-06	16.4	10	13.2	4.8	0	M	M	23.6	M	9.5	292.9
2012-08-07	16.6	10.1	13.4	4.6	0	M	M	5.3	M	7.3	205.3
2012-08-08	19.3	8.6	14	4	0	M	M	0	M	9.6	293.5
2012-08-09	13.1	8.5	10.8	7.2	0	M	M	0	M	11.0	325.8
2012-08-10	19.7	8.9	14.3	3.7	0	M	M	0	M	10.4	264.1
2012-08-11	21.6 (E)	8.9 (E)	15.3 (E)	2.7 (E)	0 (E)	M	M	0	M	7.3	172.7
2012-08-12	22.3	6.5	14.4	3.6	0	M	M	0.3	M	11.4	155.5
2012-08-13	16.5	12.9	14.7	3.3	0	M	M	1.8	M	10.0	130.8
2012-08-14	17.2	13.8	15.5	2.5	0	M	M	1.6	M	12.0	125.0
2012-08-15	21.2	13.5	17.4	0.6	0	M	M	6.1	M	12.0	154.2
2012-08-16	20.2	13.9	17.1	0.9	0	M	M	2.6	M	11.0	153.3
2012-08-17	20.5	14.8	17.7	0.3	0	M	M	0	M	13.4	147.9
2012-08-18	16.8	11.6	14.2	3.8	0	M	M	3.1	M	15.7	162.5
2012-08-19	18	10.1	14.1	3.9	0	M	M	0.3	M	10.2	198.3
2012-08-20	17.2	8.4	12.8	5.2	0	M	M	8.1	M	11.2	160.8
2012-08-21	13.8	9.1	11.5	6.5	0	M	M	0.3	M	M	M
2012-08-22	15.4	8.6	12	6	0	M	M	1.5	M	M	M

- = No data available

M = Missing

E = Estimated A = Accumulated C = Precipitation occurred, amount uncertain

L = Precipitation may or may not have occurred

F = Accumulated and estimated

N = Temperature missing but known to be > 0

Y = Temperature missing but known to be < 0

S = More than one occurrence

T = Trace

† = Data for this day has undergone only preliminary quality checking

<sup>\* =</sup> The value displayed is based on incomplete data



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#### **Environment Canada Weather Data – Schefferville (July 14, 2012 to August 22, 2012)**

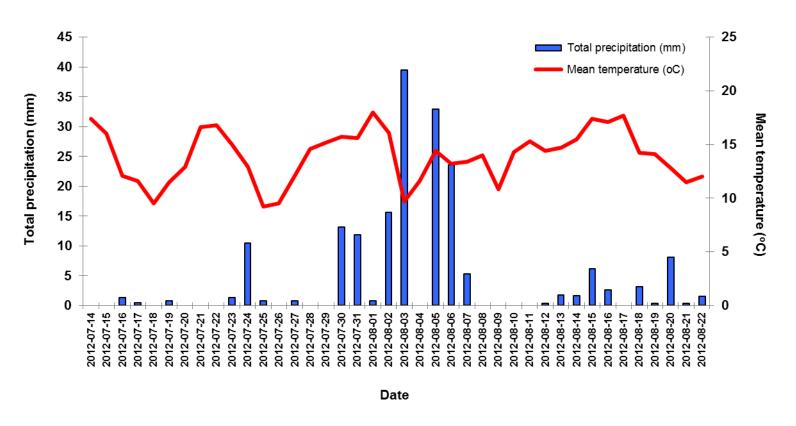


Figure 1. Daily precipitation and mean temperature recorded at the Schefferville Weather Station by Environment Canada from July 14, 2012 to August 22, 2012.



## **APPENDIX C (continued...)**

#### **Environment Canada Weather Data - Schefferville (July 14, 2012 to August 22, 2012)**

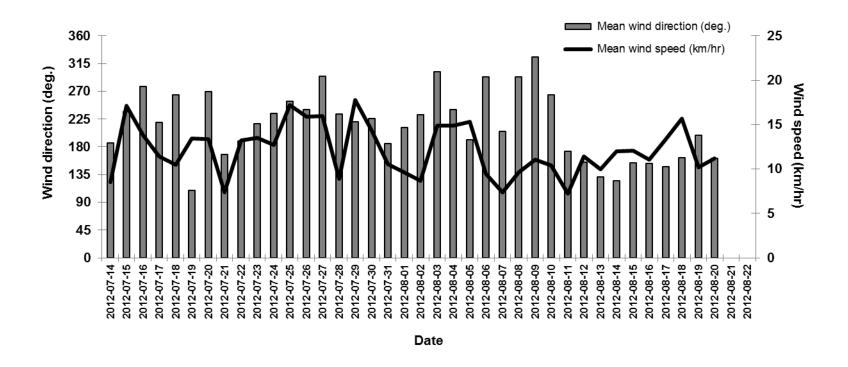


Figure 2. Mean daily wind direction and wind speed recorded at the Schefferville Weather Station by Environment Canada from July 14, 2012 to August 22, 2012.