

# Century Beach—Sanitary Survey Report

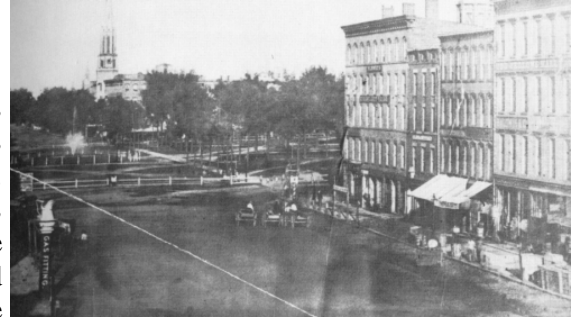
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## Background

It is no secret that the Great Lakes are one of the nation's most precious natural resources. Local economies have flourished around these bodies of water since the time of the Civil War. Manufacturing and shipping, staples of the Cleveland area, have provided employment opportunities and growth in the region for well over a century. In turn, homes were built and families were raised, creating a demand for fresh water and waste removal systems. In addition to Lake Erie's role as a key resource for industry and infrastructure, it continues to thrive as a recreation destination. Anyone who has experienced a Northeast Ohio winter knows how to enjoy every last bit of summertime. From Toledo to Ashtabula, the shoreline is dotted with boat launches, marinas, bathing beaches, and parks just inviting you to the water and the beautiful views exclusive to Lake Erie.



As the demand on Lake Erie and the other Great Lakes increased, managing the water quality became imperative. The health and well-being of humans and wildlife are dependent on good water quality. Realizing this fact, then-President Nixon and the federal government decided to take action in 1970 with the creation of the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), which drafted the Clean Water Act in 1972 to protect surface waters from contamination.

To augment the efforts of the EPA, Congress amended the Clean Water Act with the passage of the Beaches Environmental Assessment and Coastal Health (BEACH) Act in 2000. The Act established uniform criteria for testing, monitoring, and notifying public users of possible coastal recreational water problems. For almost two decades, the Cuyahoga County Board of Health has maintained a beach monitoring program involving sampling and analysis for potential bacterial contamination in near shore waters.

In addition to routine beach monitoring, the Cuyahoga County Board of Health was awarded a grant to conduct Annual Sanitary Surveys at beaches along the Lake Erie coast. A sanitary survey is a method of identifying and investigating the sources of contamination in a body of water and assessing the magnitude of pollution through water sample analysis.

Beach sanitary surveys involve collecting information at the beach, as well as in the surrounding watershed. Information collected at the beach may include: number of birds at the beach, slope of the beach, location and condition of bathrooms, and amount of algae on the beach. Information collected in the watershed may include: land use, location of storm water outfalls, surface water quality, and residential septic tank information.

The following report contains all of the information obtained while conducting the sanitary survey, including the Annual Sanitary Survey field form, photos and GPS coordinates of sampling locations (if applicable), and sample results. Please contact Barry Grisez at (216) 201-2001 ext. 1232 or [bgrisez@ccbh.net](mailto:bgrisez@ccbh.net) with any questions or concerns about this project.



## Sample Results

As a result of the sanitary survey, one outfall was identified as a potential source of water pollution. An “outfall” is defined as the point where a storm water conveyance system discharges into a natural body of water such as a lake, river, stream, or wetland. The photo to the right shows the outfall along with the GPS coordinates. As part of this project, water samples were taken during both dry weather and after rain events. They were then analyzed for bacterial contamination. This analysis was used as an indication of whether this outfall was contributing to the higher bacteria counts occasionally observed in the Lake. Sampling was conducted weekly, beginning August 17<sup>th</sup> and concluding on October 12<sup>th</sup>. The table below provides the *E.coli* concentrations found as a result of sample analysis.



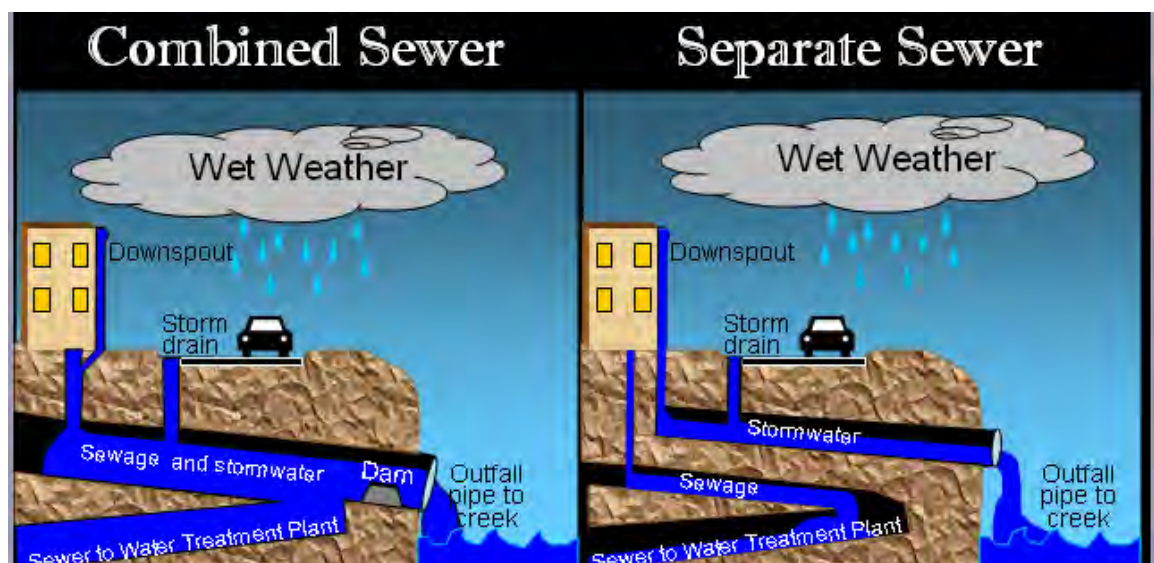
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BEACH NAME	OUTFALL LOCATION	GPS (N)	GPS (W)	COLLECTION DATE	E COLI CFU/100mL	RECENT RAINFALL	RAINFALL AMOUNT (INCHES)
Century	East of Beach	41.47777	-082.15336	8/17/2011	833	<72 hours	0.35
Century	East of Beach	41.47777	-082.15336	8/24/2011	3886	<24 hours	0.46
Century	East of Beach	41.47777	-082.15336	8/31/2011	967	>72 hours	0.22
Century	East of Beach	41.47777	-082.15336	9/6/2011	370	<72 hours	1.75
Century	East of Beach	41.47777	-082.15336	9/13/2011	2600	<72 hours	0.28
Century	East of Beach	41.47777	-082.15336	9/20/2011	5400	<48 hours	1.06
Century	East of Beach	41.47777	-082.15336	9/26/2011	630	<24 hours	1.48
Century	East of Beach	41.47777	-082.15336	10/3/2011	2560	<24 hours	0.36
Century	East of Beach	41.47777	-082.15336	10/12/2011	89600	<24 hours	0.38

## Discussion of Sample Results

To interpret the results, the *E.coli* concentration listed in the table above is compared to a water quality standard of 576 CFU/100 mL. The threshold of 576 was created by the USEPA for storm water analysis. Results exceeding 576 are an indication of a high bacteria load and will most likely affect the water quality at the beach. The results show that the outfall located on the beach is primarily influenced by rain. This is common among beaches in this region and other areas where older infrastructure is still present. There are a number of options available to help effectively reduce the amount of pathogenic bacteria such as *E. coli* flowing into Lake Erie from these outfalls, including:

**Modifying the existing sewer system** and separating sanitary waste lines from storm water lines. On average, this is the most expensive and time-consuming solution. However, completely separate conveyance systems ensure that only storm water runoff enters the outfalls and eventually Lake Erie. Keep in mind that storm water runoff can still contain bacteria from other sources; local wildlife (geese), pet waste, agricultural waste, and discharge from impervious surfaces like streets and parking lots.



**Creating an overflow tank to capture excess storm water** - As opposed to revamping the entire sewer system, these tanks or “tunnels” act as a retention basin by capturing the excess flow and slowly return the water back to the wastewater treatment plant. The Northeast Ohio Regional Sewer District has completed projects such as these throughout the area. Currently, they are working on the Euclid Creek Tunnel Project. When completed, it will have the capacity to hold 70 million gallons of combined storm water and wastewater which would otherwise have ended up in Lake Erie.



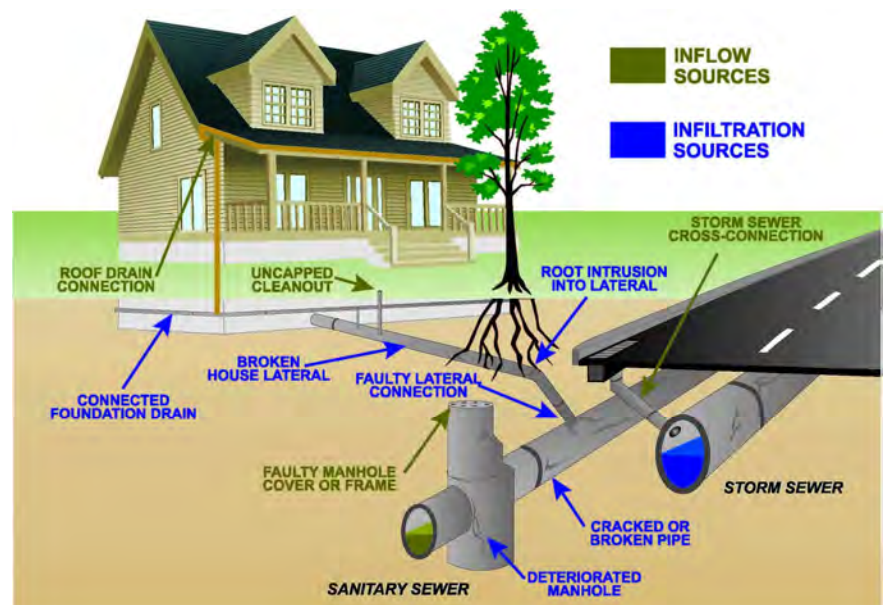
**Green Infrastructure** – A relatively new concept, green infrastructure involves creating wetlands, large rain gardens, and other natural “speed bumps” that help slow down the flow of water to Lake Erie by diverting it and allowing for treatment. Similar to the “tunnels” mentioned above, these types of projects create a holding area for excess storm water runoff. The only difference is that these green solutions call for natural treatment of the water through soil absorption as opposed to piping the water back to a treatment plant.

All of these solutions are viable ways to deal with bacteria-laden storm water. By conducting sanitary survey projects such as this, information is obtained on where the bacteria concentrations are of greatest concern allowing for a strategic approach to eliminating these problem areas.

## Tips for Homeowners

The management of large quantities of excess rainwater discussed above is rather complex and normally taken on by municipal or regional entities, such as streets/sewer departments and regional sewer districts. However, homeowners can also take a few small steps to help keep Lake Erie clean. Here are a few tips for around the home:

**Prevent rain water from infiltrating sanitary sewers.** Just like any other structural component of a house, storm water drain lines periodically need to be repaired or replaced. Rain water from gutters, downspouts, footer drains and lateral lines can infiltrate the sanitary sewer system if cracks or leaks are present. Too much rainwater in sanitary sewers often results in overflows at the sewage treatment plants which spill into area waterways and eventually Lake Erie. Homeowners interested in an evaluation of their drainage system can contact local storm water consulting/engineering firms or their municipal sewer department.



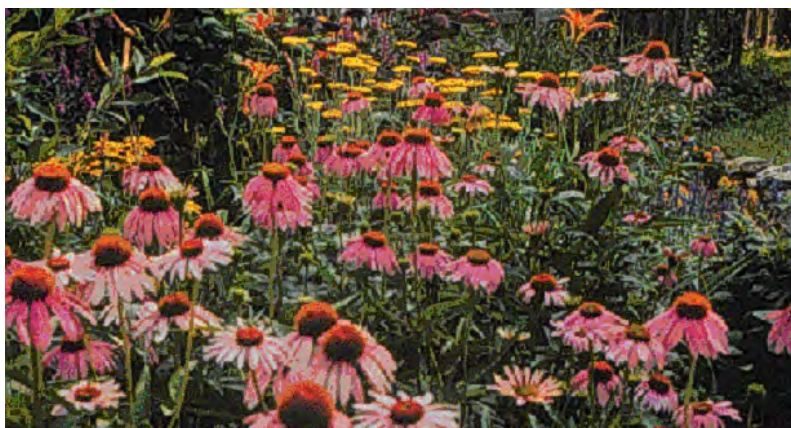
**Make sure all household waste goes to the right place.** Some houses, especially older homes, were built or remodeled without much consideration given to waste water management. Over the years, homeowners added plumbing fixtures (bathrooms, laundry/utility sinks, etc.) to their basements or garages. The waste water from these fixtures was connected to the storm water drains since those lines are generally much more accessible than sanitary lines. As a result, untreated sanitary waste ends up in Lake Erie contributing to the buildup of bacterial contamination.

On that note, another consideration for homeowners is the storage and disposal of hazardous household waste. Items such as cooking oil, automobile fluids, lawn products, and unused medications are just a few of the hazardous materials that require special attention when handling.



**Maintain septic systems as needed.** Believe it or not, there are still approximately 10,000 households in Cuyahoga County that require an individual household sewage treatment system in place of sanitary sewers. Routine maintenance of these systems will not only ensure that the resulting waste water is properly treated but will also extend the life of the system and allow for optimal operation.

**Discover your green thumb.** If the yard could use a little attention, consider creating rain gardens to help buffer runoff from storm water. Rain gardens are very attractive beds of native vegetation that also serve as a way to prevent excess water from entering the drainage system. Also, though native wildflowers, plants, and shrubs are hardy and drought-resistant, adding a rain barrel to your downspout is a great way to keep your flower beds watered during those dry spells. For those looking to take their projects to the extreme, there are ways to replace a standard, shingled roof with a thatched or vegetative green plants designed to retain a significant amount of rainfall.



Other small projects, such as replacing impervious concrete surfaces with pavers or decorative stone, can also reduce the amount of rainwater entering the sewers.

**Clean up after pets.** It seems like common sense, but cleaning up pet waste is the simplest way to prevent bacterial contamination of storm water runoff.



## Summary

This Sanitary Survey Project was made possible through grant funding obtained by the Ohio Department of Health from the USEPA Great Lakes Restoration Initiative (GLRI). As a result of the survey, it was concluded that rainfall plays a significant role in determining water quality. The sewer systems installed years ago were designed to overflow into Lake Erie during periods of heavy rain. Although this was a great way to help out homeowners and prevent basement floods, these types of systems created a pollution problem in Lake Erie that has been a challenge to resolve. The Clean Water Act, implemented by the USEPA, requires that municipalities correct these sewer overflows within a specified timeframe and there are a number of possible solutions to address this issue that range in cost and effectiveness. A copy of this report will be shared with municipal sewer departments and other interested parties to discuss the results of this project and begin exploring ways to address the sources of pollution.

## Useful Links

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United States Department of Agriculture Natural Resources Conservation Service - State Office 200 North High Street, Room 522 Columbus, OH 43215 Phone: (614) 255-2472 Website: <a href="http://www.nrcs.usda.gov">www.nrcs.usda.gov</a>	United States Environmental Protection Agency (USEPA) Region 5 (IL, IN, MI, MN, OH, WI) 77 West Jackson Boulevard Chicago, IL 60604-3507 Phone: (312) 353-2000 Fax: (312) 353-4135 Toll free within Region 5: (800) 621-8431 Website: <a href="http://www.epa.gov">www.epa.gov</a>	





## GREAT LAKES BEACH ANNUAL SANITARY SURVEY

### 1. BASIC INFORMATION

Name of Beach: <u>CENTURY BEACH</u>	Date(s) of Survey: <u>8/16/2011</u>
Beach ID:	Name of Waterbody: <u>LAKE ERIE</u>
Town/City/County/State: <u>LORAIN, OHIO</u>	Number of Routine Surveys Used: <u>99</u>
Sampling Station(s)/ID:	Name(s) of Surveyor(s): <u>HEATHER GRISZ, TIM GOURLEY</u>
STORET Organizational ID:	Surveyor Affiliation: <u>C.C.B.H.</u>

### 2. DESCRIPTION OF LAND USE IN WATERSHED

#### Current Land Use in Watershed

Type	Residential	Industrial	Commercial	Agricultural	Other (specify):
Percentage	<u>75</u>	<u>10</u>			<u>PARK/GREENSPACE</u>

Development	Describe
% undeveloped	<u>15</u>
% developed	<u>85</u>

#### How was land use measured:

Waterbody Uses:  Boating  Fishing  Surfing  Windsurfing  Diving  Other (specify)

Are maps of the beach area attached?  yes  no      Are maps of the watershed attached?  yes  no

List maps and their sources:

#### Does the detailed map include locations of:

Sample Points	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> yes	<input type="checkbox"/> no	(explain):
Hydrometric Network	<input type="checkbox"/> yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> no	(explain): <u>N/A</u>
Pollutant Sources	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> yes	<input type="checkbox"/> no	(explain):
Boat Traffic	<input type="checkbox"/> yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> no	(explain): <u>N/A</u>
Marinas	<input type="checkbox"/> yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> no	(explain): <u>N/A</u>
Boat dockage	<input type="checkbox"/> yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> no	(explain): <u>N/A</u>
Fishing	<input type="checkbox"/> yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> no	(explain): <u>N/A</u>
Bathing/Swimming	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> yes	<input type="checkbox"/> no	(explain):

#### Bounding Structures:

Jetty	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> yes	<input type="checkbox"/> no	(explain):
Groin	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> yes	<input type="checkbox"/> no	(explain):
Seawall	<input type="checkbox"/> yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> no	(explain): <u>N/A</u>
Other	<input type="checkbox"/> yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> no	(explain): <u>N/A</u>
Sanitary Facilities	<input type="checkbox"/> yes	<input type="checkbox"/> no	(explain): <u>NOT VISIBLE ON MAP</u>
Restaurants/Bars	<input type="checkbox"/> yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> no	(explain): <u>N/A</u>
Playground	<input type="checkbox"/> yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> no	(explain): <u>NOT VISIBLE ON MAP</u>
Parking Lot(s)	<input type="checkbox"/> yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> no	(explain): <u>" " " "</u>
Other	<input type="checkbox"/> yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> no	(explain): <u>N/A</u>

#### Erosion/Accretion Measurements

High Watermark Location Identification	Fixed Object Description (e.g., tree, building)	Distance from Fixed Object to High Watermark	Feet or Meters?	Distance between High Watermark Locations	Feet or Meters?
A	<u>STAIRS</u>	<u>70</u>	<u>FT</u>	A↔B:	
B				B↔C:	
C				C↔D:	
D (optional)				D↔E:	
E (optional)					



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Bounding Structures

Bounding Structure	Number	Description or Comment
Jetty	2	
Groin	1	
Seawall	0	
Natural formation	0	
Other (specify):		
Other (specify):		

Beach Materials/Sediments:

Sandy     Mucky     Rocky     Other:

Or, Beach Materials/Sediments Lab Analysis (attach diagram or photographs of plot locations) N/A

Name of Lab Used:			
Date of Sample Collection:			
Plot ID	Mean Grain Size Diameter	Uniformity Coefficient	Description of Plot Location:
Average			

Describe the results and conclusion of the sediment analysis and potential effects of the sediment distribution at this beach:

Photos Taken in the Beach Area or Surrounding Watershed (SEE ATTACHED)

Image Number	Date/Time	File Name	Description of Photo (Include Pictures of High Watermark Locations and Corresponding Fixed Objects)

Habitat around beach:

Dunes     Wetlands     River/stream     Forest     Park     Protected Habitat or Reserve  
 Other:

3. WEATHER CONDITIONS

Examine the weather data collected over the prior beach season(s) along with bacteria sampling results. Do the bacteria concentrations at this beach appear to correlate with any of the following?

Rainfall	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> yes	<input type="checkbox"/> no	(explain):
Air Temperature	<input type="checkbox"/> yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> no	(explain):
Water Temperature	<input type="checkbox"/> yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> no	(explain):
Cloud Cover	<input type="checkbox"/> yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> no	(explain):
Wind Speed	<input type="checkbox"/> yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> no	(explain):
Wind Direction	<input type="checkbox"/> yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> no	(explain):
Longshore Current	<input type="checkbox"/> yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> no	(explain):
Wave Height or Intensity	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> yes	<input type="checkbox"/> no	(explain): <u>HIGH WAVES = HIGH TURBIDITY</u>
Other Weather	<input type="checkbox"/> yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> no	(explain):



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Have any statistical analyses been done to calculate the degree of correlation?  yes  no

Describe any analyses done, and any trends or correlations found (add lines if needed to describe in detail):

NIA

Average air temperature during beach season: 69.0 °C or °F Average water temperature during beach season: 73.8 °C or °F

Average wind speed and direction during beach season (e.g., E or 90° at 15 mph): S @ 6 mph

Typical weather conditions:  Sunny  Mostly Sunny  Partly Cloudy  Mostly Cloudy  Overcast  Rainy

Rainfall total for the beach season (in): 20.46 Average rainfall for all beach seasons (in): 12.68

Does rainfall intensity correlate with bacteria sample results?  yes  no Describe:

Number of significant rain events: 8 What constitutes "significant?" (e.g., 1 inch or more rain)

0.75 in (per CSO/SSO DATA)

Additional Comments/Observations:

## 4. PHYSICAL BEACH CONDITIONS

Beach length or dimensions (indicate Z1, Z2, and Z3 on a map)

Length (m): 94 Width (average, in m): 21

Width Z1 (m): Width Z2 (m): Width Z3 (m):

Local water level variation: feet inches Hydrographic influences (e.g., seiches):

Characterize any longshore or nearshore currents and their potential effects based on bacteria sampling results

Approximate beach slope at swim area: 5 %

Description and date of last beach rehabilitation (example: new sand, nourishment, dredging, etc., physical structures will be described in Sections 12 and 13):

INFO NOT AVAILABLE

Comments/Observations:

## 5. BATHER LOAD (# OF BEACH USERS)

Is bather load measured?  yes  no

If yes, describe how beachgoer numbers are calculated (i.e., turnstile, counting at noon, photographs):





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Beach Use

Beachgoer Category	Number of People Per Day Using the Beach					
	Peak Use for the Season (Daily Use)	Seasonal Average (Daily Use)	Holiday Average (Daily Use)	Weekend Average (Daily Use)	Weekday Average (Daily Use)	Off-Season Average if applicable (Daily Use)
Total people in the water		21				
Total people out of the water		21				
Total people at the beach		21				
Breakdown of Activities (if activities were broken down on the Routine-Onsite Sanitary Survey, summarize them here)						
Activity 1:						
Activity 2:						
Activity 3:						
Activity 4:						
Activity 5:						
Activity 6:						
Frequency of measurements (e.g., daily, weekly, monthly)	DAILY IN THE AM					

Examine bather load data along with sampling results for the past beach season(s). Look at each sampling point. Does bather load appear to correlate with bacteria concentrations at any of these sampling points? Does the amount of people in the water or out of the water correlate with bacteria concentrations? Has a statistical analysis been done? Describe:

NO CORRELATION. NO STATISTICAL ANALYSIS PERFORMED.

Comments/Observations:

6. BEACH CLEANING

Beach cleaning frequency during season: AS NEEDED

Description of cleanup activities

	Leveling of Sand	Trimming or Removing Vegetation	Removing Debris	Removing Trash	Construction and Maintenance of a Temporary Pathway Directly to Open Water	Other (specify):
Check activities that were done		✓	✓	✓		
Equipment used (if applicable)						

How often are floatables found at the beach?  Never  Sometimes  Frequently  Very frequently

Known sources of floatables:

Types of floatables found  Street litter  Food-related litter  Medical items  Sewage-related  Building materials  Fishing related  Household waste  Other:

How often is beach debris/litter found on the beach?  Never  Sometimes  Frequently  Very frequently

Known sources of debris:



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## Type of Debris/Litter Found

- Street litter   
  Food-related litter   
  Medical items   
  Sewage-related   
  Building materials  
 Fishing related   
  Household waste   
 Tar   
 Oil/ Grease   
 Other:

Comments/Observations:

## 7. INFORMATION ON SAMPLING LOCATION

Description of Sample Points (include beach water and potential pollution sources)

Sample Point Name/ID	Location	Description	Sample Frequency	Time of Day of Sample Collection
BEACH-CENTRAL	RT. OF PIER	ROUTINE MONITORING PT.	DAILY	AM
BEACH OUTFALL		RT. OF BEACH	WEEKLY	AM

Description of hydrometric network [note that this is a network of monitoring stations that collect data such as rainfall and stream flow]

NWS / HOPKINS AIRPORT

Comments/Observations:

## 8. WATER QUALITY SAMPLING

Name of laboratory: NEORS D Distance to laboratory: 31 miles

Is there a sampling and analysis plan?  yes  no Is it adequate?  yes  no (explain):

Are the sampling staff properly trained on sampling techniques, equipment maintenance, and calibration procedures?  yes  no

### Biological Survey Results:

Were invasive/nonnative species present?  yes  no (describe):

Have algae blooms been observed during the beach season? (If so, specify duration and algae species) SUMMER INFREQUENTLY, THROUGHOUT

Percent of beach season where algae was present in significant amounts in the nearshore water:  None  Low (1-20%)  
 Moderate (21-50%)  High (> 50%)

Percent of beach season where algae was present in significant amounts on the beach:  None  Low (1-20%)  
 Moderate (21-50%)  High (> 50%)

List types of algae found: PERI PHYTON, GLOBULAR

Colors of algae most commonly found: DARK GREEN

List any infectious snails that were found: NONE

List any dangerous aquatic organisms that were found: NONE



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Presence of Wildlife and Domestic Animals

Type	Degree of Presence (Low, Mod, High)	Does the Presence Appear to Correlate with Bacteria Results? (Yes, No, Don't Know)	Describe Further (include whether fecal droppings are seen and are a problem)
Geese	LOW	NO	NOT SIGNIFICANT
Gulls	LOW	NO	"
Dogs	LOW	NO	"
Other (specify):			
Other (specify):			
Other (specify):			

Was a significant number of dead birds found on the beach during beach season?  yes  no  
 Describe types and numbers found and possible causes: \_\_\_\_\_

Was a significant number of dead fish found on the beach during the beach season?  yes  no  
 Describe numbers found and possible causes: \_\_\_\_\_

Bacteria Samples Collected

Do you test for *Escherichia coli*?  yes  no Analytical Method Used: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Do you test for *Enterococcus*?  yes  no Analytical Method Used: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Do you test for fecal coliform?  yes  no Analytical Method Used: \_\_\_\_\_  
 List any additional bacteria tested and associated analytical methods: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Do you composite any bacteria samples?  yes  no If yes, explain: \_\_\_\_\_

How do this past season's bacteria results compare to that of previous years? N/A - 2011 WAS THE FIRST YEAR CCBH CONDUCTED BEACH SAMPLING ACTIVITIES

Do the bacteria results correlate to other parameters, such as water quality, weather, flow, bather load, algae, or wildlife?  yes  no  
 Describe in detail analyses that were performed on the data (add additional lines as needed).

WATER QUALITY / RAINFALL

Water Quality (check all that are measured regularly)

Temperature	pH	Rainfall	Turbidity	Conductivity	Other
X		X	X		

How does the water quality data compare to data from previous years? N/A - PREVIOUS YEARS' DATA NOT AVAILABLE

Do any data correlate with bacteria sample results?  yes  no If yes, explain: RAINFALL



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Were there any unusual results, such as extremely high or low values detected, or unusual trends?  yes  no If yes, explain what was found and any potential causes: \_\_\_\_\_

Are water quality annual trend data attached?  yes  no

Comments/Observations:

#### 9. MODELING

Are models being used?  yes  no

If yes, list types of models being used and a brief description of the models:

Comments/Observations:

#### 10. ADVISORIES/CLOSINGS

List any advisories and closings that occurred, whether bacteria levels were high, and any possible reasons for advisory or closing or high bacteria level, such as stormwater runoff, sewage spill, or wildlife on the beach.

Advisory or Closing (specify one)	Start and End Dates	Length of Advisory or Closing (Days)	Did Bacteria Concentrations Exceed GM or SSM Criteria?	Reason for Advisory or Closing or Possible Contributing Factors
ADVISORY	6/3 - 6/4	1	SSM	RAINFALL
"	6/21 - 6/22	1	"	"
"	6/24 - 6/25	1	"	"
"	6/26 - 6/27	1	"	"
"	7/4 - 7/5	1	"	"
"	7/8 - 7/9	1	"	"
"	7/14 - 7/16	2	"	"
"	7/25 - 7/26	1	"	"
"	7/30 - 7/31	1	"	"
"	8/8 - 8/9	1	"	"
"	8/15 - 8/19	4	"	"
"	8/22 - 8/24	2	"	"

Total number of closings issued: 0

Total number of days under an advisory: 17

Total number of advisories issued: 12

Total number of days beach was closed: 0

Comments/Observations:



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11. POTENTIAL POLLUTION SOURCES

Type of Source	Level of Concern (H, M, L, or NA)	Latitude*	Longitude*	Describe how this source might contribute to beach pollution and frequency of contribution
Wastewater discharges	N/A			
Sewage overflows	M			LORAIN WWTP IN REGION OF BEACH
Septic systems	N/A			
Subsurface sewage disposal	N/A			
Stormwater outfalls	M			OUTFALL IN CLOSE PROXIMITY TO BEACH
Natural outfalls	N/A			
CAFOs or AFOs	N/A			
Wildlife	L			NOT SIGNIFICANT #'S
Agriculture runoff	N/A			
Urban runoff, industrial waste	N/A			
Marinas, harbors	N/A			
Mooring boats	N/A			
Domestic animals	L			NOT SIGNIFICANT #'S
Unsewered areas	N/A			
Erosion-prone areas	N/A			
Landfills, open dumps	N/A			
Groundwater seepage	N/A			
Bathhouse leakage	N/A			
Drains and pipes nearby	N/A			
Stream or wetland drainage	N/A			
Vacant areas	N/A			
Other (specify):				
Other (specify):				
Other (specify):				

\*If latitude and longitude are unknown, show the location on the detailed map and describe in the Comments/Observations section below.

Have potential pollution sources identified above been included on the detailed map?  yes  no (explain):

Did you collect bacteria samples from any potential pollution sources, such as streams or outfalls?  yes  no (explain):

If yes, describe any analyses performed and a summary of the results: 8 of 9 SAMPLES EXCEEDED THE THRESHOLD OF 576 CFU/100 ml - NUISANCE THRESHOLD FOR STORM WATER

Are there any discharge reports available for dischargers in the watershed?  yes  no If yes, attach report or pertinent sections and summarize here:



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Have any sources been remediated, or have steps been taken to remediate sources?  yes  no (explain):

SOURCE TRACKING NEEDS TO BE CONDUCTED TO DETERMINE POINT-SOURCE POLLUTION IMPACTING THE BEACH AREA & OUTFALL FLOWING INTO BEACH.

Comments/Observations:

### 12. DESCRIPTION OF SANITARY FACILITIES

**Bathhouses:** Total number of bathhouses at the beach: 1

Number or ID	Location	Condition (Good, Fair, or Poor)	Distance from Waterline (feet)	Frequency of Cleaning (Daily, Weekly, Monthly)
<u>1</u>	<u>PORT A JOHN</u>	<u>GOOD</u>		

Describe further. Include number of toilets, showers, sinks, etc., and whether these facilities are adequate to support beach use.

CLUBHOUSE:  
NOT IN USE - LOCKED

**Litterbins:** Total number of litterbins at the beach: 4

Number or ID	Location	Condition (Good, Fair, or Poor)	Distance from Waterline (feet)	Frequency of Emptying (Daily, Weekly, Monthly)
<u>4</u>	<u>PARK AREA</u>	<u>GOOD</u>	<u>120</u>	<u>DAILY</u>

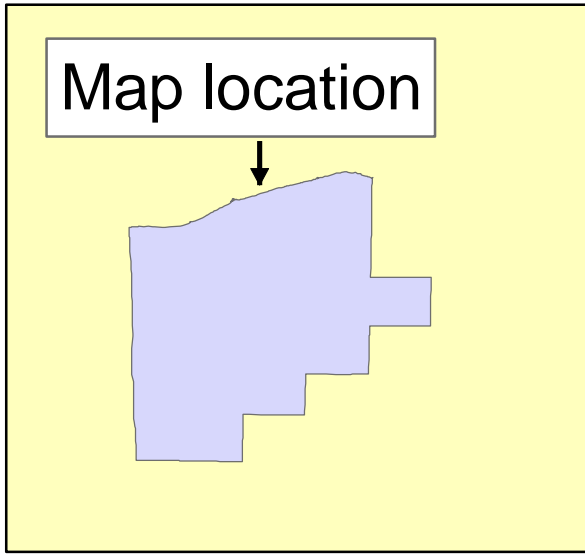
Describe further. Include whether number and location of litterbins is adequate to support beach use.

### 13. DESCRIPTION OF OTHER FACILITIES

List facilities in the beach area, such as restaurants, bars, playgrounds, parking lots, and dog parks.

Facility Name/Type	Location	Condition (Good, Fair, or Poor)	Distance from Beach (feet)	How might this facility contribute to water quality problems?
<u>PLAY GROUND</u>		<u>GOOD</u>	<u>140</u>	<u>N/A</u>
<u>PARKING LOT</u>		<u>"</u>	<u>140</u>	<u>RUNOFF</u>
<u>BBQ AREA</u>		<u>"</u>	<u>140</u>	<u>ATTRACT WILDLIFE</u>

Comments/Observations:






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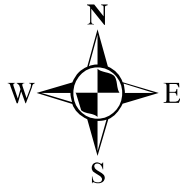
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Tract: 20  
Original Lot: 050



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**Legend**

-  CSO SSO Locations
-  Sampling Locations 2011
-  Stream



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