Quality of Surface Waters of the United States, 1969

Part 1. North Atlantic Slope Basins

GEOLOGICAL SURVEY WATER-SUPPLY PAPER 2141

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01470960 TULPEHOCKEN CREEK AT BLUE MARSH DAMSITE NEAR READING, PA.

LOCATION.--Lat 40°22'00", long 76°01'16", Herks County, temperature recorder at gaging station on right bank 1 mile upstream from Rebers Bridge and Plum Creek, 1 mile east of Blue Marsh, 3 miles north of Sinking Spring and 5.5 miles northwest of Reading.

DRAINAGE AREA.--175 sq mi.

PERIOD OF RECORD.--Water temperatures: October 1968 to September 1969.

TEMPERATURE (°C) OF WATER, WATER YEAR OCTOBER 1968 TO SEPTEMBER 1969

	OCTOBER			NOVEMBER			DECEMBER			JANUARY		
DAY	MAX	MIN	MEAN	MAX	MIN	MEAN	MAX	MIN	MEAN	MAX	MIN	MEAN
1	32.0	17.0	20.5	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
2	34.0	19.0	22.0	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
3	22.5	20.5	21.5	---	---	---	---	---	---	0.5	0.5	0.5
4	21.0	16.5	19.0	---	---	---	---	---	---	0.5	0.5	0.5
5	18.0	14.0	16.0	---	---	---	---	---	---	0.5	0.5	0.5
6	17.5	14.0	14.5	---	---	---	---	---	---	0.5	0.5	0.5
7	14.0	14.0	14.0	---	---	---	---	---	---	0.5	0.5	0.5
8	14.0	14.0	14.0	---	---	---	---	---	---	0.5	0.5	0.5
9	14.0	14.0	14.0	---	---	---	---	---	---	0.5	0.5	0.5
10	14.0	14.0	14.0	---	---	---	---	---	---	0.5	0.5	0.5
11	14.0	14.0	14.0	---	---	---	---	---	---	0.5	0.5	0.5
12	18.0	17.5	17.5	---	---	---	---	---	---	0.5	0.5	0.5
13	18.0	18.0	18.0	---	---	---	---	---	---	0.5	0.5	0.5
14	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	0.5	0.5	0.5
15	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	0.5	0.5	0.5
16	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	1.0	0.5	0.5
17	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	1.0	0.5	0.5
18	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	1.0	0.5	1.0
19	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	1.5	0.5	1.0
20	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	0.5	0.5	0.5
21	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	1.0	0.5	0.5
22	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	2.5	0.5	1.5
23	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	5.0	2.5	3.5
24	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	5.5	5.0	5.0
25	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	6.0	3.0	4.5
26	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	2.5	0.5	1.0
27	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	1.5	0.5	0.5
28	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	1.0	0.5	0.5
29	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	0.5	0.5	0.5
30	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	1.5	0.5	1.0
31	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	4.0	1.0	2.5
MONTH	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	6.0	0.5	1.0

	FEBRUARY			MARCH			APRIL			MAY		
DAY	MAX	MIN	MEAN	MAX	MIN	MEAN	MAX	MIN	MEAN	MAX	MIN	MEAN
1	4.0	2.5	3.5	---	---	---	9.0	3.5	6.5	17.5	11.0	14.5
2	4.0	2.5	3.5	---	---	---	9.0	8.0	8.5	19.0	12.5	15.5
3	4.5	2.5	3.5	---	---	---	12.0	7.0	9.5	21.0	14.0	17.5
4	2.5	0.5	1.5	---	---	---	10.5	8.0	9.5	23.0	17.0	20.0
5	2.0	0.5	1.0	---	---	---	11.0	10.0	10.5	22.0	16.0	19.0
6	2.0	0.5	1.0	---	---	---	13.0	10.0	11.5	21.0	15.0	18.0
7	3.5	0.5	1.5	---	---	---	13.5	8.5	11.0	19.5	15.5	17.5
8	3.0	0.5	1.5	---	---	---	15.5	10.0	12.5	19.5	16.0	18.0
9	2.0	0.5	1.5	---	---	---	16.0	11.0	13.5	19.0	15.5	17.5
10	2.0	0.5	0.5	---	---	---	14.0	12.5	13.5	17.5	14.0	16.0
11	2.5	0.5	1.0	---	---	---	15.0	11.0	13.0	16.5	13.0	15.0
12	3.5	0.5	1.5	---	---	---	15.0	9.5	12.5	16.5	11.0	14.0
13	3.0	0.5	1.5	5.5	2.0	4.0	15.5	9.5	12.5	17.5	12.0	15.0
14	2.0	0.5	1.0	7.5	2.0	4.5	15.0	10.5	13.0	19.0	13.0	16.0
15	4.5	0.5	1.5	7.5	2.5	5.0	13.5	12.0	13.0	20.5	13.5	17.5
16	5.0	1.5	3.0	9.0	2.5	5.5	13.5	13.0	13.0	21.5	16.0	19.0
17	5.0	2.0	3.5	10.0	2.5	6.5	17.5	---	15.0	24.0	17.0	20.5
18	5.0	2.0	3.0	11.5	5.0	8.0	16.0	---	15.5	24.0	19.0	21.5
19	5.5	2.5	4.5	12.5	7.0	10.0	16.5	---	15.5	21.0	19.5	20.0
20	5.5	2.5	4.0	11.5	8.0	9.5	16.0	---	14.0	23.0	18.5	20.5
21	5.5	4.0	4.0	12.5	8.5	10.0	15.5	11.0	13.5	23.5	18.5	21.0
22	---	---	---	11.5	7.5	9.0	13.5	11.0	12.5	23.0	17.0	20.0
23	---	---	---	12.0	5.0	8.5	11.0	9.5	10.5	20.5	17.5	18.5
24	---	---	---	9.0	7.0	7.5	10.5	9.5	10.0	20.0	16.5	18.0
25	---	---	---	8.5	7.0	8.0	14.5	8.5	11.0	23.0	17.0	19.5
26	---	---	---	8.5	7.0	7.5	17.5	11.5	14.5	22.5	17.0	20.0
27	---	---	---	8.5	5.5	7.0	19.5	13.5	16.5	21.5	15.0	18.5
28	---	---	---	9.5	5.0	7.5	21.0	15.5	18.5	23.5	16.0	20.0
29	---	---	---	9.5	7.5	8.5	18.5	16.0	17.5	27.0	20.5	24.0
30	---	---	---	9.5	6.5	8.0	16.0	13.5	14.5	28.0	23.0	25.5
31	---	---	---	8.5	4.5	6.5	---	---	---	27.0	21.0	24.0
MONTH	---	---	---	---	---	---	21.0	3.5	12.5	28.0	11.0	19.0

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TEMPERATURE (°C) OF WATER, WATER YEAR OCTOBER 1968 TO SEPTEMBER 1969

	JUNE			JULY			AUGUST			SEPTEMBER		
DAY	MAX	MIN	MEAN	MAX	MIN	MEAN	MAX	MIN	MEAN	MAX	MIN	MEAN
1	26.0	20.5	23.5	27.0	23.5	25.5	20.5	18.0	19.5	---	---	---
2	28.5	22.5	25.5	27.0	21.0	24.0	20.5	18.5	19.5	24.5	23.5	24.0
3	24.5	21.0	23.5	26.0	22.0	24.0	21.0	18.5	19.5	23.5	21.0	22.0
4	23.5	17.5	21.0	26.5	21.0	24.0	20.5	19.0	20.0	21.0	20.5	21.0
5	24.0	18.5	21.0	27.0	23.5	25.0	19.0	17.5	18.0	24.0	20.5	22.0
6	26.0	19.5	22.0	26.0	23.5	25.0	20.5	17.0	19.0	24.5	22.0	23.0
7	26.0	20.5	23.0	24.0	19.0	21.5	21.5	18.5	20.0	27.0	22.0	24.0
8	25.0	20.5	22.5	23.0	18.0	20.0	21.0	19.0	20.0	25.0	22.0	23.0
9	25.0	20.0	22.5	25.0	19.5	22.0	---	---	---	23.5	20.5	21.5
10	25.5	20.0	23.0	22.5	20.5	21.0	---	---	---	21.0	18.0	19.5
11	24.5	21.5	23.0	26.0	20.5	22.5	---	---	---	21.0	15.5	18.5
12	27.0	21.5	24.5	25.5	22.0	23.5	---	---	---	21.0	16.0	18.5
13	27.0	24.0	25.0	25.0	20.5	22.5	---	---	---	22.0	16.5	19.0
14	27.0	23.5	25.5	27.0	21.0	24.0	---	---	---	23.5	18.0	21.0
15	25.5	21.0	24.0	28.0	22.0	25.5	---	---	---	24.0	19.5	22.0
16	21.5	19.5	20.5	30.0	23.5	26.5	---	---	---	24.0	20.0	22.0
17	21.0	17.0	19.0	31.0	24.5	27.5	---	---	---	25.0	20.0	22.5
18	18.5	17.0	17.5	31.0	25.0	27.5	---	---	---	23.0	19.0	20.5
19	22.5	17.0	19.5	30.0	25.0	27.0	---	---	---	18.5	16.0	17.0
20	24.0	20.0	22.0	26.5	23.0	24.5	---	---	---	19.0	15.5	17.0
21	24.0	19.5	21.5	26.5	22.0	24.0	---	---	---	20.0	15.5	17.5
22	24.5	18.5	21.5	27.0	24.0	25.0	---	---	---	19.0	14.0	16.5
23	21.5	20.0	20.5	24.0	19.5	21.5	---	---	---	20.0	14.5	17.0
24	24.0	20.0	22.0	20.5	18.0	19.5	---	---	---	18.5	15.5	17.0
25	23.5	21.5	22.5	20.0	19.0	19.5	---	---	---	20.0	17.0	18.0
26	25.0	21.0	23.0	21.0	18.5	19.5	---	---	---	20.0	15.5	17.5
27	25.5	22.5	23.5	22.0	19.5	20.5	---	---	---	20.5	15.5	17.5
28	29.5	23.5	26.5	21.0	19.5	20.0	---	---	---	19.5	16.5	18.0
29	28.5	24.0	26.5	19.5	18.0	18.5	---	---	---	18.0	15.0	16.5
30	29.0	23.5	26.0	21.0	18.5	20.0	---	---	---	17.0	14.0	15.5
31	---	---	---	21.0	17.0	19.0	---	---	---	---	---	---
MONTH	29.5	17.0	22.5	31.0	17.0	23.0	---	---	---	27.0	13.0	19.5

01473800 SCHUYLKILL RIVER AT MANAYUNK PHILADELPHIA, PA.

LOCATION.--Lat 40°01'41", long 75°13'44", Philadelphia County, at Green Lane Avenue Bridge, 5 miles upstream from the gaging station at Fairmount Dam.

DRAINAGE AREA.--1,893 sq mi (at Fairmount Dam).

PERIOD OF RECORD.--Sediment records: November 1947 to September 1969.

EXTREMES.--1968-69:
Sediment concentrations: Maximum daily, 1,700 mg/l July 29; minimum daily, 4 mg/l Feb. 23, 24.
Sediment loads: Maximum daily, 146,000 tons July 29; minimum daily, 7.8 tons Nov. 6.

Period of record:
Sediment concentrations: Maximum daily, 4,910 mg/l Dec. 30, 1948; minimum daily, 1 mg/l on many days.
Sediment loads: Maximum daily, 650,000 tons (estimated) Aug. 19, 1955; minimum daily, less than 0.05 ton Sept. 2, 1966.

REMARKS.--Records of water temperature are published for the Schuylkill River at Belmont Filter Plant, Philadelphia, Pa. Records of temperature of sediment samples available in district office at Harrisburg, Pa. Streamflow records given are for the Schuylkill River at Philadelphia (Fairmount Dam). These records do not include water diverted by the city of Philadelphia for municipal water supply.

CHEMICAL ANALYSES, WATER YEAR OCTOBER 1968 TO SEPTEMBER 1969

DATE	DIS-CHARGE (CFS)	CAL-CIUM (CA) (MG/L)	MAG-NE-SIUM (MG) (MG/L)	SODIUM PLUS PO-TAS-SIUM (NA+K) (MG/L)	BICAR-BONATE (HCO3) (MG/L)	SULFATE (SO4) (MG/L)	CHLO-RIDE (CL) (MG/L)	NITRATE (NO3) (MG/L)
OCT. 01...	222	44	17	42	92	124	38	17

DATE	DIS-SOLVED SOLIDS (RESI-DUE AT 180 C) (MG/L)	HARD-NESS (CA,MG) (MG/L)	NON-CAR-BONATE HARD-NESS (MG/L)	SPECI-FIC COND-UCTANCE (MICRO-MHOS)	PH (UNITS)	TEM-PERA-TURE (DEG C)	COLOR (PLAT-INUM-COBALT UNITS)
OCT. 01...	337	180	105	548	7.7	23	6

PARTICLE-SIZE DISTRIBUTION OF SUSPENDED SEDIMENT, WATER YEAR OCTOBER 1968 TO SEPTEMBER 1969
(METHODS OF ANALYSIS: B, BOTTOM WITHDRAWAL TUBE; C, CHEMICALLY DISPERSED; N, IN NATIVE WATER; P, PIPET; S, SIEVE V, VISUAL ACCUMULATION TUBE; W, IN DISTILLED WATER)

DATE	TIME	WATER TEMPERATURE (C)	DISCHARGE (CFS)	CONCENTRATION (MG/L)	SUSPENDED SEDIMENT DISCHARGE (TONS/DAY)	PARTICLE SIZE PERCENT FINER THAN THE SIZE (IN MILLIMETERS) INDICATED .002	.004	.008	.016	.031	.062	.125	.250	.500	1.00	2.00	N A
DEC 5	1625	09	5120	88	1220	43	59	75	89	95	99	100	--	--	--	--	
MAR 26	0440	12	9900	360	9630	32	48	65	81	91	97	99	99	100	--	--	
JUL 24	2100	26	5180	153	2140	44	63	80	92	97	99	100	--	--	--	--	
JUL 30	1430	24	16800	290	13100	32	48	64	78	87	92	95	97	99	100	--	