# In-Water Restoration <br> Between Miller Sands and Pillar Rock Island, Columbia River: Biological Surveys, 1992 

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## INTRODUCTION

In 1991, the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) and the U.S. Department of the Army signed a Memorandum of Agreement to restore and create fish habitat in the United States. Within NOAA, the National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS) is responsible for conserving, managing, and developing the Nation's living aquatic resources. Within the Department of the Army, the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (COE) is responsible for maintaining navigation channels. In addition, the COE has the authority to develop water resources, including protection and restoration of fish habitats using various means, including the beneficial use of dredged materials.

A site in the Columbia River estuary between Miller Sands and Pillar Rock Island (River Kilometers 40-42) (Fig. 1) is being investigated by the COE, Portland District under the Long-Term Management Strategy for dredged-material management in the Columbia River estuary. The proposed disposal site has been identified as an active erosion location. Since 1958, this area has eroded from a shallow subtidal habitat (0 to $1.8 \mathrm{~m}(0$ to 6 ft$)$ Columbia River Datum (CRD)) to the present depth of $7.6 \mathrm{~m}(25 \mathrm{ft})$ CRD. Approximately 9.2 million $\mathrm{m}^{3}$ ( 12 million $\mathrm{yd}^{3}$ ) of material have eroded. The annual erosion rate at this area is estimated to be $53,515 \mathrm{~m}^{3}\left(70,000 \mathrm{yd}^{3}\right)$ of material.

Providing that hydraulic modeling studies conducted by the COE, Portland District do not predict any adverse changes in water circulation, the COE would like to use dredged material to restore the eroded area to shallow subtidal habitat to attain benthic invertebrate and fish densities and species composition comparable to other Columbia River estuary shallow subtidal habitat. Consequently, the COE requires data regarding habitat parameters for design of the in-water fill and associated pile-dike field to stabilize the site.
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Figure 1.--Benthic invertebrate and sediment stations between Miller Sands and Pillar Rock Island, Columbia River estuary, July and September 1992.

Shallow subtidal and intertidal habitats in other areas of the Columbia River estuary (e.g., Rice Island, Grays Bay, and Cathlamet Bay) support high densities of benthic invertebrates, including the amphipod Corophium salmonis (Holton et al. 1984; Emmett et al. 1986; Hinton et al. 1990, 1992a, b), an important food for juvenile Pacific salmon (Oncorhynchus spp.) (McCabe et al. 1983, 1986). Annually in the Columbia River Basin, millions of juvenile Pacific salmon are produced that migrate through the Columbia River estuary en route to the Pacific Ocean. Adult returns from these outmigrating juvenile salmonids support important recreational and commercial fisheries in the ocean and Columbia River.

In 1992, NMFS initiated benthic invertebrate, fish, and sediment characterization studies at the proposed habitat restoration area and an adjacent shallow subtidal habitat, both located between Miller Sands and Pillar Rock Island (Fig. 1). The primary objectives of the research were to document existing biological communities and provide habitat criteria for disposal of dredged material at the proposed habitat restoration area.

## METHODS

## Sampling

Benthic invertebrate and sediment samples, fishes, and shrimp were collected at the proposed habitat restoration area and adjacent shallow subtidal habitat in July and September 1992. Initially, we planned to begin sampling in May; however, due to funding constraints, this was not possible. The shallow subtidal habitat was selected as a control site for future assessments of modifications to the proposed habitat restoration area. Also, physical data, such as depth and sediment characteristics, collected in the shallow subtidal habitat will be used to provide habitat criteria for engineering and design of the proposed habitat restoration site. Station locations (latitude and longitude) were
established using the Global Positioning System, which also allowed stations to be easily reoccupied (Appendix Table 1).

## Benthic Invertebrates and Sediments

Eleven core samples were taken at each of 20 stations ( 10 in the proposed habitat restoration area and 10 in the adjacent shallow subtidal habitat) with a polyvinyl chloride (PVC) coring device with an inside diameter of 3.85 cm , a penetrating depth of 15 cm , and a $174.6-\mathrm{cm}^{3}$ sample volume (Figs. 1-2). Samples were collected by scuba diving or snorkeling. Ten core samples from each station were placed in labeled jars and preserved in a buffered formaldehyde solution ( $\geq 4 \%$ ) containing rose bengal, a protein stain. In the laboratory, samples were washed with water through a $0.5-\mathrm{mm}$ screen. All benthic invertebrates were sorted from each sample, identified to the lowest practical taxon, counted, and stored in $70 \%$ ethanol. The eleventh benthic sample from each station was placed in a labeled plastic bag and refrigerated for analysis of grain size, percent silt/clay, and percent volatile solids by the COE North Pacific Division Materials Laboratory, Troutdale, Oregon.

Fishes and Shrimp
In both the proposed habitat restoration area and adjacent shallow subtidal habitat, purse seining was conducted in July and September at three stations (Fig. 3) using a shallow-water purse seine ( $100 \times 4.6 \mathrm{~m}$ ). The seine was constructed of knotless nylon mesh, 17 mm in the body and 13 mm in the bunt. A round-haul technique was used to deploy the net. Typically, the net, which was stacked on the stern of an $8-\mathrm{m}$ boat, was pulled off by a $5-\mathrm{m}$ boat. During deployment, both boats traveled in a wide arc, completing a full circle by the time the net was fully extended. The net was then closed and pulled aboard the $8-\mathrm{m}$ boat; fishes were hand-forced into the bunt where they could


Figure 2.--PVC coring device used to collect benthic invertebrate and sediment samples in a proposed habitat restoration area and an adjacent shallow subtidal habitat located between Miller Sands and Pillar Rock Island, Columbia River estuary, July and September 1992.

Figure 3.--Purse seine and trawling stations between Miller Sands and Pillar Rock Island, Columbia River estuary, July and September
be collected before bringing the bunt aboard. In the proposed habitat restoration area, the purse seine sampled only the upper portion of the water column, at most the top 4.6 m ; however, in the shallow subtidal habitat, the purse seine sampled much of the water column and at times the bottom.

Demersal fishes and shrimp in the proposed habitat restoration area were sampled in July and September at three stations using an 8-m (headrope length) semiballoon shrimp trawl (Fig. 3). The trawl had $38-\mathrm{mm}$ (stretched measure) mesh in the body, and a $10-\mathrm{mm}$ mesh liner inserted in the cod end. The trawl was towed upstream for 5 minutes, and the distance traveled was estimated using a radar range-finder. Trawling was not routinely conducted in the shallow subtidal habitat to minimize juvenile salmonid injuries and mortalities, especially since three species of Pacific salmon in the Columbia River Basin have been listed as threatened or endangered. Capture in a shrimp trawl often badly descales juvenile salmonids. After purse seining had been completed in September and we felt confident that juvenile salmon were not present in the shallow subtidal habitat, we made one trawl in this area. Because of the deeper water ( $\geq 7.5 \mathrm{~m}$ mean lower low water) in the proposed habitat restoration area, we were not concerned about catching juvenile salmonids in the shrimp trawl in this area. Juvenile salmonids are typically found near the surface in deep water and therefore would not be vulnerable to capture in a shrimp trawl, except when retrieving the net.

At the collection sites, fishes and shrimp were identified, counted, and a maximum of 50 individuals of each fish species was measured (total length in mm ) and weighed (g). When more than 50 individuals of a species were collected at a site, the excess was counted and weighed as a group.

## Data Analyses

Benthic Invertebrates
Benthic invertebrate data were analyzed by station to determine species composition, densities (by species and total), and community structure (diversity and equitability). The Shannon-Wiener function (H) was used to determine diversity (Krebs 1978). Diversity is expressed as:

$$
\mathrm{H}=-\sum_{i=1}^{s}\left(\mathrm{p}_{i}\right)\left(\log _{2} \mathrm{p}_{i}\right)
$$

where $\mathrm{p}_{i}=\mathrm{n}_{i} / \mathrm{N}$ ( $\mathrm{n}_{i}$ is the number of individuals of the $i$ th species in the sample, and N is the total number of all individuals in the sample) and $s=$ number of species. Equitability (E) was the second community structure index determined; E measures the proportional abundances among the various species in a sample (Krebs 1978) and ranges from 0.00 to 1.00 , with 1.00 indicating all species in the sample are numerically equal. Equitability is expressed as:

$$
\mathrm{E}=\mathrm{H} / \log _{2} \mathrm{~S}
$$

where $\mathrm{H}=$ Shannon-Wiener function and $\mathrm{s}=$ number of species. H and E were calculated for each sampling station.

Benthic invertebrate densities were compared between the two areas and surveys using two-way analysis of variance (ANOVA) (Ryan et al. 1985); the data were transformed $\left(\log _{10}\right)$ prior to running ANOVA. Means from the 10 samples at each sampling station provided the basic data entries for the statistical tests. Overall comparisons of H and E could not be made using two-way ANOVA due to significant interaction between area and survey.

## Fishes and Shrimp

For each station, individual species and total fish and shrimp densities (number/ha) and weights ( $\mathrm{g} / \mathrm{ha}$ ) were estimated using the catch data and area sampled. The estimated sampling area of the purse seine was $795 \mathrm{~m}^{2}$, which is the area of a circle having a $100-\mathrm{m}$ (length of purse seine) circumference. The sampling area of the shrimp trawl was estimated using the distance traveled during each effort and the estimated fishing width of the trawl (5 m).

## Sediments

Median grain size (mm) was calculated for each station. Two-way ANOVA was used to compare median grain size and percent volatile solids between areas and surveys. Percent silt/clay values were not compared between areas and surveys using ANOVA because of the non-normal distribution of the data.

## RESULTS

## Benthic Invertebrates

Benthic invertebrate densities (total) were significantly different ( $\mathrm{P}<0.05$ ) spatially and temporally in the proposed habitat restoration area and the adjacent shallow subtidal habitat located between Miller Sands and Pillar Rock Island. Densities were significantly higher in the shallow subtidal habitat than in the proposed habitat restoration area (ANOVA, $\mathrm{P}<0.05$ ) (Table 1). In the shallow subtidal habitat, benthic invertebrate densities in July and September averaged 21,321 organisms $/ \mathrm{m}^{2}$ and 47,267 organisms $/ \mathrm{m}^{2}$, respectively. Benthic invertebrate densities in the proposed habitat restoration area in July and September averaged 3,419 organisms $/ \mathrm{m}^{2}$ and 15,926 organisms $/ \mathrm{m}^{2}$, respectively.

Table 1.--Summary of benthic invertebrate collections in a proposed habitat restoration area (Stations 1-10) and an adjacent shallow subtidal habitat (Stations 11-20) located between Miller Sands and Pillar Rock Island, Columbia River estuary, July and September 1992. Depths are corrected to mean lower low water.

| Station | Depth <br> (m) | Number of taxa/ categories | $\underset{/ \mathrm{m}^{2}}{\text { Number }}$ | Standard deviation | Diversity <br> (H) | Equitability <br> (E) |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| JULY |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1 | 7.5 | 4 | 3,866 | 2,842 | 1.56 | 0.78 |
| 2 | 9.1 | 3 | 2,921 | 2,298 | 1.01 | 0.64 |
| 3 | 10.7 | 4 | 3,264 | 2,057 | 1.32 | 0.66 |
| 4 | 10.0 | 4 | 1,804 | 1,961 | 1.41 | 0.70 |
| 5 | 11.9 | 6 | 2,233 | 2,150 | 1.64 | 0.64 |
| 6 | 8.3 | 7 | 3,694 | 1,944 | 1.96 | 0.70 |
| 7 | 9.0 | 6 | 5,154 | 3,364 | 1.89 | 0.73 |
| 8 | 8.7 | 8 | 3,694 | 2,106 | 1.85 | 0.62 |
| 9 | 8.6 | 5 | 2,233 | 2,298 | 1.69 | 0.73 |
| 10 | 8.5 | 6 | 5,326 | 2,247 | 2.03 | 0.79 |
| Mean |  |  | 3,419 |  | 1.64 | 0.70 |
| 11 | 0.7 | 10 | 35,648 | 4,568 | 1.66 | 0.50 |
| 12 | 1.3 | 7 | 16,493 | 6,387 | 2.08 | 0.74 |
| 13 | 2.2 | 10 | 9,621 | 3,359 | 2.34 | 0.70 |
| 14 | 3.1 | 11 | 34,455 | 6,506 | 1.64 | 0.47 |
| 15 | 0.0 | 6 | 6,442 | 4,422 | 1.18 | 0.45 |
| 16 | 0.2 | 11 | 38,912 | 5,827 | 1.98 | 0.57 |
| 17 | 0.8 | 10 | 22,506 | 5,652 | 1.57 | 0.47 |
| 18 | 2.7 | 8 | 5,498 | 2,503 | 1.91 | 0.64 |
| 19 | 3.7 | 10 | 12,026 | 6,260 | 2.39 | 0.72 |
| 20 | 0.5 | 12 | 31,611 | 7,354 | 2.26 | 0.63 |
| Mean |  |  | 21,321 |  | 1.90 | 0.59 |

## SEPTEMBER

| 1 | 8.5 | 7 | 15,634 | 6,953 | 1.24 | 0.44 |
| ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| 2 | 10.2 | 5 | 11,425 | 2,106 | 1.38 | 0.59 |
| 3 | 10.2 | 4 | 18,382 | 6,922 | 1.07 | 0.54 |
| 4 | 11.4 | 7 | 18,812 | 6,757 | 1.11 | 0.40 |
| 5 | 12.6 | 5 | 14,431 | 6,112 | 0.86 | 0.37 |
| 6 | 8.7 | 6 | 36,164 | 8,876 | 0.62 | 0.24 |
| 7 | 9.1 | 4 | 4,381 | 2,160 | 1.26 | 0.63 |
| 8 | 8.5 | 7 | 29,292 | 5,888 | 0.34 | 0.12 |
| 9 | 8.5 | 4 | 6,872 | 3,265 | 0.48 | 0.24 |
| 10 | 8.5 | 4 | 3,866 | 2,504 | 1.25 | 0.62 |
|  |  |  | 15,926 |  | 0.96 | 0.42 |

Table 1.--Continued.

| Station | Depth <br> $(\mathrm{m})$ | Number <br> of taxa/ <br> categories | Number |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Standard <br> deviation | Diversity <br> (H) | Equitability <br> (E) |

## SEPTEMBER

| 11 | 0.9 | 11 | 48,189 | 15,654 | 2.15 | 0.62 |
| ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| 12 | 2.4 | 9 | 59,356 | 11,159 | 1.14 | 0.36 |
| 13 | 2.1 | 8 | 59,786 | 6,632 | 1.29 | 0.43 |
| 14 | 2.8 | 11 | 56,178 | 5,511 | 1.65 | 0.48 |
| 15 | 2.0 | 7 | 16,149 | 5,354 | 1.85 | 0.66 |
| 16 | 0.8 | 9 | 48,275 | 8,777 | 2.15 | 0.68 |
| 17 | 1.5 | 6 | 27,230 | 6,630 | 2.05 | 0.79 |
| 18 | 2.0 | 8 | 41,804 | 12,269 | 1.79 | 0.60 |
| 19 | 2.6 | 8 | 53,429 | 7,420 | 1.10 | 0.37 |
| 20 | 0.7 | 11 | 62,277 | 14,243 | 1.93 | 0.56 |
|  |  |  |  | 47,267 |  | 1.71 |

Overall, benthic invertebrate densities were significantly higher in September than in July ( $\mathrm{P}<0.05$ ).

The total number of taxa/categories collected in the proposed habitat restoration area and the adjacent shallow subtidal habitat located in the river between Miller Sands and Pillar Rock Island was higher in July (27) than in September (21) (Appendix Table 2). The totals include all organisms collected, including some not normally associated with the benthos. At individual stations in the proposed habitat restoration area, the number of benthic invertebrate taxa/categories ranged from three to eight in July and from four to seven in September (Table 1). The number of benthic invertebrate taxa/categories at individual stations in the shallow subtidal habitat was generally higher, ranging from 6 to 12 in July and from 6 to 11 in September.

The major benthic invertebrate taxa collected in the proposed habitat restoration area included the bivalve Corbicula fluminea, the amphipod Corophium salmonis, and Ceratopogonidae (= Heleidae) larvae (Table 2; Appendix Table 3). In the shallow subtidal habitat, oligochaetes, including their egg cases; the gastropod Lithoglyphus virens;

Corbicula fluminea; Corophium salmonis; Chironomidae larvae; and Ceratopogonidae larvae were the major benthic invertebrate taxa.

Overall, Corophium salmonis was the most abundant benthic invertebrate in the proposed habitat restoration area and shallow subtidal habitat. Corophium salmonis densities were significantly higher in the shallow subtidal habitat than in the proposed habitat restoration area (ANOVA, $\mathrm{P}<0.05$ ), and were significantly higher in September than in July ( $\mathrm{P}<0.05$ ).

Mean diversity (H) was higher in the shallow subtidal habitat than in the proposed habitat restoration area in both July and September (Table 1). Diversity averaged 1.64 and 0.96 in the proposed habitat restoration area in July and September, respectively. In

Table 2.--Abundance of major benthic invertebrate taxa/categories collected in a proposed habitat restoration area and an adjacent shallow subtidal habitat located between Miller Sands and Pillar Rock Island, Columbia River estuary, July and September 1992. All values are mean numbers $/ \mathrm{m}^{2}$.


[^0]the shallow subtidal habitat, H averaged 1.90 and 1.71 in July and September, respectively. The higher H values in the shallow subtidal habitat compared to the proposed habitat restoration area were due to the higher number of taxa/categories and/or the more uniform numerical abundances of taxa (i.e., E values were higher) in the shallow subtidal habitat.

## Fishes and Shrimp

Eleven taxa, including 10 fish taxa and 1 shrimp taxon, were collected during the study (Appendix Table 4). Similar numbers and types of taxa were collected in July and September. Anadromous, marine, and freshwater fish species were collected in both the proposed habitat restoration area and shallow subtidal habitat. Anadromous species included American shad (Alosa sapidissima) and chinook salmon (Oncorhynchus tshawytscha). The two marine species were Pacific staghorn sculpin (Leptocottus armatus) and starry flounder (Platichthys stellatus), both of which tolerate low salinities. Juvenile starry flounder can live in fresh water for relatively long periods of time. Freshwater species collected during the surveys included two cyprinids, peamouth (Mylocheilus caurinus) and northern squawfish (Ptychocheilus oregonensis); prickly sculpin (Cottus asper); and threespine stickleback (Gasterosteus aculeatus). Although the threespine stickleback is included with freshwater fishes, it can also live in marine and brackish waters (Hart 1973).

Based on purse seine and shrimp trawl catches in the proposed habitat restoration area and shallow subtidal habitat, total fish densities in July were higher in the shallow subtidal habitat than in the proposed habitat restoration area (Table 3). In September, total fish densities were similar in the proposed habitat restoration area and the shallow subtidal habitat, assuming that the shrimp trawl was the most effective means of

Table 3.--Species composition and abundance of fishes and shrimp captured in a proposed habitat restoration area and an adjacent shallow subtidal habitat located between Miller Sands and Pillar Rock Island, Columbia River estuary, July and September 1992. All values are mean numbers/hectare, except the trawl values for the shallow subtidal area are numbers/hectare.

|  |  |  |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Species | Proposed habitat |  |
|  | restoration area | Shallow subtidal |
| habitat |  |  |

collecting all species in September, except threespine stickleback (Table 3). Because of bottom depth differences (Appendix Table 5), it is difficult to compare fish catches, particularly purse seine catches, between the two areas. In the proposed habitat restoration area, the purse seine sampled only the upper portion of the water column, at most the top 4.6 m ; however, in the shallow subtidal habitat, the purse seine sampled much of the water column and at times the bottom. Because juvenile salmon are typically surface-oriented even in deeper water, purse seine catches of subyearling chinook salmon can be legitimately compared between the two areas. Densities of subyearling chinook salmon were similar in the two areas in July, averaging 335 fish/ha and 369 fish/ha in the proposed habitat restoration area and shallow subtidal habitat, respectively (Table 3; Appendix Table 5). In September, no juvenile salmon were captured in the purse seine.

Catches of starry flounder, a species that uses both deep and shallow subtidal habitats, were higher in the shallow subtidal habitat (mean $=239 \mathrm{fish} /$ ha in purse seine) than in the proposed habitat restoration area (mean $=82$ fish $/ \mathrm{ha}$ in shrimp trawl) in July. Estimated densities of starry flounder in July probably would have been higher if the shrimp trawl had been used in the shallow subtidal habitat, since the shrimp trawl is more effective in collecting starry flounder than the purse seine. In September, the mean density of starry flounder collected in the purse seine in the shallow subtidal habitat dropped to 13 fish/ha; however, the density of starry flounder estimated from the shrimp trawl was $441 \mathrm{fish} / \mathrm{ha}$. In the proposed habitat restoration area, the mean density of starry flounder estimated from the shrimp trawl was 282 fish/ha.

Small numbers of California bay shrimp (Crangon franciscorum), a euryhaline species, were captured in the shrimp trawl in the proposed habitat restoration area in July and September (Table 3).

Length-frequency histograms of the most abundant fishes captured in both the proposed habitat restoration area and shallow subtidal habitat indicated that most fishes were juveniles (Figs. 4 and 5). All chinook salmon collected in the two areas were subyearlings. All starry flounder collected during the two surveys were juveniles, most of which were subyearlings and yearlings. With the exception of starry flounder, the length ranges of the most abundant species (by survey) in the two areas were similar.

## Sediments

Median grain size was significantly higher in the proposed habitat restoration area than in the shallow subtidal habitat (ANOVA, $\mathrm{P}<0.05$; Table 4). There was no significant difference in median grain size between the July and September surveys ( $\mathrm{P}>0.05$ ). Overall, median grain size in the proposed habitat restoration area and shallow subtidal habitat averaged 0.2150 mm and 0.1413 mm , respectively. In the proposed habitat restoration area, percent volatile solids were significantly lower than in the shallow subtidal habitat (ANOVA, $\mathrm{P}<0.05$ ). Percent volatile solids were not significantly different between July and September ( $\mathrm{P}>0.05$ ). Overall, percent volatile solids in the proposed habitat restoration area and shallow subtidal habitat averaged 0.5 and 1.0, respectively. Mean percent silt/clay was higher in the shallow subtidal habitat (overall $8.5 \%$ ) than in the proposed habitat restoration area (overall $0.2 \%$ ) (Table 4). During each survey, three or four stations in the shallow subtidal habitat had unusually high silt/clay percentages.








Figure 4.--Length-frequency distributions of the most abundant fishes collected in two areas between Miller Sands and Pillar Rock Island, Columbia River estuary, July 1992. $\mathrm{N}=$ the number of individuals measured.

Proposed habitat restoration area
Shallow subtidal habitat


Figure 5.--Length frequency distributions of the most abundant fishes collected in two areas between Miller Sands and Pillar Rock Island, Columbia River estuary, September 1992. N = the number of individuals measured.

Table 4.--Sediment characteristics in a proposed habitat restoration area (Stations 1-10) and an adjacent shallow subtidal habitat (Stations 11-20) located between Miller Sands and Pillar Rock Island, Columbia River estuary, July and September 1992.

| Station | July |  |  | September |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Median grain } \\ & \text { size (mm) } \end{aligned}$ | $\underset{(\%)}{\operatorname{sil} / \text { clay }}$ | Volatile solids (\%) | $\begin{gathered} \text { Median grain } \\ \text { size (mm) } \end{gathered}$ | silt/clay <br> (\%) | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Volatile } \\ & \text { solids (\%) } \end{aligned}$ |
| 1 | 0.2500 | 0.1 | 0.5 | 0.3299 | 0.1 | 0.5 |
| 2 | 0.3299 | 0.1 | 0.5 | 0.3078 | 0.3 | 0.3 |
| 3 | 0.2872 | 0.4 | 0.4 | 0.3299 | 0.2 | 0.4 |
| 4 | 0.3299 | 0.3 | 0.4 | 0.2500 | 0.2 | 0.7 |
| 5 | 0.2031 | 0.1 | 0.6 | 0.2872 | 0.1 | 0.4 |
| 6 | 0.1436 | 0.0 | 0.6 | 0.1649 | 0.3 | 0.6 |
| 7 | 0.1436 | 0.1 | 0.5 | 0.1539 | 0.1 | 0.6 |
| 8 | 0.1250 | 0.3 | 0.5 | 0.1340 | 0.5 | 0.7 |
| 9 | 0.1539 | 0.2 | 0.5 | 0.1340 | 0.3 | 0.7 |
| 10 | 0.1088 | 0.1 | 0.8 | 0.1340 | 0.2 | 0.6 |
| Mean | 0.2075 | 0.2 | 0.5 | 0.2226 | 0.2 | 0.6 |
| 11 | 0.0583 | 30.3 | 2.6 | 0.0883 | 16.3 | 1.1 |
| 12 | 0.1166 | 12.5 | 0.9 | 0.1895 | 1.2 | 0.8 |
| 13 | 0.1649 | 5.7 | 0.8 | 0.1539 | 5.8 | 0.7 |
| 14 | 0.0825 | 7.5 | 1.4 | 0.1166 | 11.6 | 1.2 |
| 15 | 0.2031 | 3.5 | 0.7 | 0.1649 | 5.2 | 1.0 |
| 16 | 0.1088 | 13.9 | 1.0 | 0.1015 | 12.6 | 1.3 |
| 17 | 0.1166 | 12.0 | 1.0 | 0.1340 | 7.4 | 1.1 |
| 18 | 0.2031 | 0.3 | 0.5 | 0.1436 | 6.6 | 0.9 |
| 19 | 0.1539 | 4.3 | 0.7 | 0.2176 | 1.0 | 0.9 |
| 20 | 0.1539 | 7.7 | 0.8 | 0.1539 | 5.5 | 1.0 |
| Mean | 0.1362 | 9.8 | 1.0 | 0.1464 | 7.3 | 1.0 |

## DISCUSSION

One of the most important means of comparing the habitat values of areas of the Columbia River estuary for fishes, particularly migrating juvenile salmonids, is to assess the standing crops of benthic invertebrates, particularly Corophium salmonis, an important food for juvenile salmonids (McCabe et al. 1983, 1986). Benthic invertebrate communities are relatively stable on a short-term basis, in contrast to fish communities in the Columbia River estuary, which change rapidly, often daily. In addition, it is unknown how fishes utilize the habitat in the two distinctly different areas. For example, juvenile salmonids in the proposed habitat restoration area may have been simply migrating through the area, whereas many of the juvenile salmonids in the shallow subtidal habitat may have slowed their migration and been actively feeding. We feel that if the proposed habitat restoration area was physically modified by proper placement of dredged material to create a habitat similar to the adjacent shallow subtidal habitat, the standing crop of C. salmonis would increase significantly, increasing the food supply for migrating juvenile salmonids.

Although $\underline{\text { C. salmonis }}$ constitutes a large part of the diet of juvenile salmonids in the Columbia River estuary, its importance can change temporally. McCabe et al. (1986) observed that $\underline{\text { C. salmonis }}$ was the dominant prey for subyearling chinook salmon in intertidal areas of the upper estuary from March through July; however, in August and September, Daphnia spp. and insects, respectively, were the dominant prey. Stomach analyses of a small number of juvenile chinook salmon collected in a shallow subtidal habitat adjacent to Rice Island in the Columbia River estuary indicated that $\underline{\text { C salmonis }}$ was the dominant prey in August (Hinton et al. 1992a). In future research in the proposed habitat restoration area and the adjacent shallow subtidal habitat between

Miller Sands and Pillar Rock Island, it will be important to conduct biological surveys earlier in the year than in 1992 to assess the standing crops of $\underline{\text { C }}$ salmonis.

Considering the limited research that was conducted in the proposed habitat restoration area and the adjacent shallow subtidal habitat between Miller Sands and Pillar Rock Island in 1992, it should be emphasized that the data provide only general descriptions of the proposed habitat restoration area and shallow subtidal habitat. Additional and more frequent sampling is needed to confirm the 1992 research results.

## CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

Major differences between the proposed habitat restoration area and shallow subtidal habitat were identified in 1992. Total benthic invertebrate and $\underline{\mathbf{C}}$. salmonis densities were significantly higher in the shallow subtidal habitat than in the proposed habitat restoration area ( $\mathrm{P}<0.05$ ). In addition, there were major differences in the sediment characteristics between the proposed habitat restoration area and the shallow subtidal habitat. Median grain size was significantly higher in the proposed habitat restoration area than in the shallow subtidal habitat, whereas percent volatile solids were significantly lower in the proposed habitat restoration area than in the shallow subtidal habitat. Percent silt/clay was also lower in the proposed habitat restoration area (mean $0.2 \%$ ) than in the shallow subtidal habitat (mean $8.5 \%$ ).

Although densities of juvenile salmonids in the proposed habitat restoration area and shallow subtidal habitat were similar in both months of this study, the shallow subtidal habitat is probably more valuable to salmonids because of the larger standing crops of $\underline{\mathrm{C}}$ salmonis.

Results from 1992 research suggest that the habitat value of the proposed habitat restoration area could be enhanced by proper placement and stabilization of dredged
material from the Columbia River. However, additional sampling is required to substantiate 1992 results. In addition, hydraulic modeling studies in progress by the COE need to be completed to determine if any adverse changes in water circulation in the Columbia River estuary would result from the proposed habitat modification.

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APPENDIX

Appendix Table 1.--Station locations in a proposed habitat restoration area (Stations 1-10) and an adjacent shallow subtidal habitat (Stations 11-20) located between Miller Sands and Pillar Rock Island, Columbia River estuary, July and September 1992.


Appendix Table 2.--Invertebrate taxa/categories found in a proposed habitat restoration area (Restor.) and an adjacent shallow subtidal habitat (Subtd.) located between Miller Sands and Pillar Rock Island, Columbia River estuary, July and September 1992.

| Taxon/category | JULY |  | SEPTEMBER |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Restor. | Subtd. | Restor. | Subtd. |
| Hydra spp. | x | x |  |  |
| Turbellaria |  | x | x | x |
| Polychaeta |  |  |  |  |
| Neanthes limnicola | x | x | x | x |
| Oligochaeta | x | x | x | x |
| Oligochaeta egg cases |  | x |  | x |
| Gastropoda |  |  |  |  |
| Juga plicifera |  | x |  | x |
| Lithoqlyphus virens |  | x |  | x |
| Bivalvia |  |  |  |  |
| Corbicula fluminea | x | x | x | x |
| Ostracoda |  | x |  | x |
| Mysidacea |  |  |  |  |
| Neomysis mercedis | x |  |  | x |
| Amphipoda |  |  |  |  |
| Corophium salmonis | x | x | x | x |
| Pontoporeia hoyi | x | x |  | x |
| Isopoda |  |  |  |  |
| Porcellio scaber | x |  |  |  |
| Saduria entomon | x |  | x |  |
| Cladocera | x | x | x |  |
| Daphnia spp. | x | x | x | x |
| Copepoda | x | x | x | x |
| Calanoida | x | x | x | x |
| Cyclopoida | x | x |  |  |
| Insecta |  |  |  |  |
| Odonata |  |  |  | x |
| Diptera adult |  | x | x |  |
| Chironomidae larvae | x | x | x | x |
| Chironomidae pupae | x | x |  |  |
| Chironomidae adult | x |  |  |  |
| Ceratopogonidae |  | x |  |  |
| Ceratopogonidae larvae | x | x | x | x |
| Collembola | x |  |  |  |
| Miscellaneous |  |  |  |  |
| Arachnida | x | x | x | x |
| Total number of taxa/categories | 20 | 22 | 14 | 18 |

Appendix Table 3.--Summaries of benthic invertebrate surveys (by station) conducted in July and September 1992 in a proposed habitat restoration area (Stations 110 ) and an adjacent shallow subtidal habitat (Stations 11-20) located between Miller Sands and Pillar Rock Island, Columbia River estuary.


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| Station: 8 | Date: 13 Jul 92 | Sample size: 10 |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Taxon/category | Total number | Frequency of occurrence (\%) | $f \underset{\substack{\text { Mumber } \\ / \mathrm{m}^{2}}}{\text { Mean }}$ | Standard deviation $/ \mathrm{m}^{2}$ |
| Hydra spp. | 2 | 20.0 | 171.8 | 362.2 |
| Neanthes limnicola | 1 | 10.0 | 85.9 | 271.6 |
| Oligochaeta | 1 | 10.0 | 85.9 | 271.6 |
| Corbicula fluminea | 6 | 30.0 | 515.4 | 923.4 |
| Corophium salmonis | 27 | 90.02 | 2,319.3 | 1,405.6 |
| Chironomidae adult | 1 | 10.0 | 85.9 | 271.6 |
| Chironomidae pupae | 1 | 10.0 | 85.9 | 271.6 |
| Ceratopogonidae larvae | 4 | 40.0 | 343.6 | 443.6 |

Number of taxa/categories: 8
Mean number/sample: 4.3
Standard deviation/sample:
2.5

Mean number $/ \mathrm{m}^{2}$ : $3,693.7$
$H=1.85 \quad E=0.62$

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Appendix Table 4.--Fish and shrimp taxa found in a proposed habitat restoration area and an adjacent shallow subtidal habitat located between Miller Sands and Pillar Rock Island, Columbia River estuary, July and September 1992.

| Scientific name | Common name | July | September |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Clupeidae |  |  |  |
| Cyprinidae | Unid. cyprinid | x |  |
| Mylocheilus caurinus | Peamouth | x | x |
| Ptychocheilus oregonensis | Northern squawfish | x |  |
| Salmonidae |  |  |  |
| Oncorhynchus tshawytscha | Chinook salmon | x | x |
| Gasterosteidae |  |  |  |
| Gasterosteus aculeatus | Threespine stickleback | x | x |
| Cottidae | Unid. sculpin | x | x |
| Cottus asper | Prickly sculpin | x | x |
| Leptocottus armatus | Pacific staghorn sculpin | x | x |
| Pleuronectidae |  |  |  |
| Platichthys stellatus | Starry flounder | x | x |
| Crangonidae |  |  |  |
| Crangon franciscorum | California bay shrimp | x | x |
|  | Total number of taxa | 11 | 9 |

Appendix Table 5.--Summaries of individual fishing efforts (by station) conducted in July and September 1992 in a proposed habitat restoration area and an adjacent shallow subtidal habitat located between Miller Sands and Pillar Rock Island, Columbia River estuary.

| Station:TR1 |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Date: 28 Jul 1992 |  |  |  |  |  |
| Time: 1126 |  |  |  |  |  |
| Tide stage: Flood |  |  |  |  |  |
| Depth: 10.4 m |  |  |  |  |  |
| Distance traveled: | 543 m |  |  |  |  |
| Species |  | No. captured | Total <br> wt. (g) | No. / <br> hectare | Wt. (g) / hectare |
| American shad |  | 1 | 75 | 4 | 276 |
| Peamouth |  | 3 | 133 | 11 | 490 |
| Prickly sculpin |  | 1 | 11 | 4 | 41 |
| Starry flounder |  | 5 | 154 | 18 | 567 |
| TOTALS |  | 10 | 373 | 37 | 1,374 |
| $\mathrm{H}=1.69 \mathrm{E}=0.84$ |  |  |  |  |  |

Station:TR2
Gear: 8-m trawl
Date: 28 Jul 1992
Time: 1038
Tide stage: Flood
Depth: 9.1 m
Distance traveled: 556 m

Species
American shad
captured

> Total wt. (g)

82

| 85 | 7 | 295 |
| :--- | ---: | ---: |

Peamouth 4
Unidentified cyprinid
Prickly sculpin
Starry flounder
TOTALS
$H=1.71 \quad E=0.74$

## Appendix Table 5.--Continued.

| Station:TR3 |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Gear: 8-m trawl |  |  |  |  |
| Date: 28 Jul 1992 |  |  |  |  |
| Time: 1059 |  |  |  |  |
| Tide stage: Flood |  |  |  |  |
| Depth: 9.1 m |  |  |  |  |
| Distance traveled: 537 m |  |  |  |  |
| Species | No. <br> captured | Total <br> wt. (g) | $\begin{gathered} \text { No./ } \\ \text { hectare } \end{gathered}$ | Wt. (g) / hectare |
| American shad | 1 | 0 | 4 | 0 |
| Peamouth | 48 | 1,486 | 179 | 5,534 |
| Threespine stickleback | 2 | 0 | 7 | 0 |
| Prickly sculpin | 9 | 49 | 34 | 182 |
| Pacific staghorn sculpin | 4 | 47 | 15 | 175 |
| Unidentified sculpin | 1 | 0 | 4 | 0 |
| Starry flounder | 41 | 375 | 153 | 1,397 |
| California bay shrimp | 7 | 0 | 26 | 0 |
| TOTALS | 113 | 1,957 | 422 | 7,288 |
| $H=1.99 \mathrm{E}=0.66$ |  |  |  |  |


| Station:PS1 |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Gear: 100-m purse seine |  |  |  |  |
| Date: 29 Jul 1992 |  |  |  |  |
| Time: 1145 |  |  |  |  |
| Tide stage: Flood |  |  |  |  |
| Depth: 7.6 m |  |  |  |  |
| Turbidity: 2.0 NTU |  |  |  |  |
| Temperature: $22.0{ }^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ |  |  |  |  |
| Species | No. <br> captured | Total <br> wt. (g) | $\begin{gathered} \text { No./ } \\ \text { hectare } \end{gathered}$ | Wt. (g) / hectare |
| American shad | 2 | 11 | 25 | 138 |
| Chinook salmon (subyear.) | 45 | 804 | 566 | 10,113 |
| TOTALS | 47 | 815 | 591 | 10,251 |
| $H=0.25 \quad E=0.25$ |  |  |  |  |

## Appendix Table 5.--Continued.

| Station:PS2 |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Gear: 100-m purse seine |  |  |  |  |
| Date: 29 Jul 1992 |  |  |  |  |
| Time: 1100 |  |  |  |  |
| Tide stage: Flood |  |  |  |  |
| Depth: 7.6 m |  |  |  |  |
| Turbidity: 3.0 NTU |  |  |  |  |
| Temperature: $20.8{ }^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ |  |  |  |  |
| Species | No. captured | Total <br> wt. (g) | No. $/$ <br> hectare | Wt. (g) / hectare |
| Chinook salmon (subyear.) | 30 | 478 | 377 | 6,013 |
| TOTALS | 30 | 478 | 377 | 6,013 |
| $H=0.00 \quad E=0.00$ |  |  |  |  |

```
Station:PS3
    Gear: 100-m purse seine
    Date: 29 Jul 1992
    Time: 1030
    Tide stage: Flood
    Depth: 7.0 m
    Turbidity: 3.0 NTU
    Temperature: 20.8鳇
```

Species
American shad Chinook salmon (subyear.)

TOTALS
$H=0.65 \quad E=0.65$

| No. <br> captured | Total <br> wt.(g) | No./ <br> hectare | Wt. (g)/ <br> hectare |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1 | 12 | 13 | 151 |
| 5 | 75 | 63 | 943 |
| 6 | 87 | 76 | 1,094 |

## Appendix Table 5.--Continued.

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Station:PS4
    Gear: 100-m purse seine
    Date: 29 Jul 1992
    Time: 1440
    Tide stage: Late flood
    Depth: }1.8\textrm{m
    Turbidity: 2.2 NTU
    Temperature: 21.0 }\mp@subsup{}{}{\circ}\textrm{C
```

        Species
    | Chinook salmon (subyear.) | 27 | 443 | 340 | 5,572 |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Northern squawfish | 1 | 10 | 13 | 126 |
| Peamouth | 24 | 378 | 302 | 4,755 |
| Threespine stickleback | 4 | 16 | 50 | 201 |
| Starry flounder | 1 | 1 | 13 | 13 |
| TOTALS | 57 | 848 | 718 | 10,667 |

$\mathrm{H}=1.51 \quad \mathrm{E}=0.65$
Station:PS5
Gear: 100-m purse seine
Date: 29 Jul 1992
Time: 1350
Tide stage: Late flood
Depth: 4.0 m
Turbidity: 3.0 NTU
Temperature: $21.0^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$
Species
Chinook salmon (subyear.)
Threespine stickleback
captured
24 59

TOTALS
$H=0.87 \quad E=0.87$

Appendix Table 5.--Continued.

| Station:PS6 |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Gear: 100-m purse seine |  |  |  |  |
| Date: 29 Jul 1992 |  |  |  |  |
| Time: 1300 |  |  |  |  |
| Tide stage: Late flood |  |  |  |  |
| Depth: 2.1 m |  |  |  |  |
| Turbidity: 3.0 NTU |  |  |  |  |
| Temperature: $21.0^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ |  |  |  |  |
| Species | No. <br> captured | Total <br> wt. (g) | No. 1 <br> hectare | Wt. (g) / hectare |
| Chinook salmon (subyear.) | 37 | 581 | 465 | 7,308 |
| Threespine stickleback | 22 | 50 | 277 | 629 |
| Prickly sculpin | 2 | 6 | 25 | 75 |
| Starry flounder | 56 | 33 | 704 | 415 |
| TOTALS | 117 | 670 | 1,471 | 8,427 |
| $H=1.59 \mathrm{E}=0.79$ |  |  |  |  |

## Appendix Table 5.--Continued.

```
Station:TR1
    Gear: 8-m trawl
    Date: 9 Sep 1992
    Time: 952
    Tide stage: Early flood
    Depth: }9.4\textrm{m
    Distance traveled: }463\textrm{m
```

| Peamouth | 5 | 53 | 22 | 229 |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Prickly sculpin | 3 | 44 | 13 | 190 |
| Starry flounder | 52 | 831 | 225 | 3,590 |
| California bay shrimp | 11 | 3 | 48 | 13 |
| TOTALS | 71 | 931 | 308 | 4,022 |

$H=1.21 \quad E=0.60$

```
Station:TR2
    Gear: 8-m trawl
    Date: 9 Sep 1992
    Time: 1022
    Tide stage: Early flood
    Depth: 8.2 m
    Distance traveled: 444 m
```

        Species
    American shad
Peamouth Prickly sculpin
captured
267
Prickly sculpin 6
Pacific staghorn sculpin 2
Starry flounder 89
California bay shrimp 10
TOTALS
382

Total wt. (g)

113
2,147 46 73 985 3

3,367
1,721
15,167
$H=1.24 E=0.48$

Appendix Table 5.--Continued.

| Station:TR3 |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Gear: 8-m trawl |  |  |  |  |
| Date: 9 Sep 1992 |  |  |  |  |
| Time: 1123 |  |  |  |  |
| Tide stage: Late flood |  |  |  |  |
| Depth: 10.1 m |  |  |  |  |
| Distance traveled: 556 m |  |  |  |  |
| Species | No. captured | Total <br> wt. (g) | No. $/$ <br> hectare | Wt. (g) / hectare |
| American shad | 53 | 653 | 191 | 2,349 |
| Chinook salmon (subyear.) | 1 | 20 | 4 | 72 |
| Peamouth | 114 | 1,113 | 410 | 4,004 |
| Prickly sculpin | 111 | 720 | 399 | 2,590 |
| Pacific staghorn sculpin | 8 | 277 | 29 | 996 |
| Starry flounder | 61 | 535 | 219 | 1,924 |
| California bay shrimp | 40 | 20 | 144 | 72 |
| TOTALS | 388 | 3,338 | 1,396 | 12,007 |

```
Station:PS1
    Gear: 100-m purse seine
    Date: 8 Sep 1992
    Time: 945
    Tide stage: Low slack
    Depth: 11.3m
    Turbidity: 1.3 NTU
    Temperature: 20.0 % C
```

No.
Species
captured

Total wt. (g)

0
0
0

No. /
hectare
Wt. (g) / hectare

0
0
0
$H=0.00 \quad E=0.00$

## Appendix Table 5.--Continued.

Station:PS2
Gear: 100-m purse seine
Date: 8 Sep 1992
Time: 1035

```
Station:PS3
    Gear: 100-m purse seine
    Date: 8 Sep 1992
    Time: 1014
    Tide stage: Early flood
    Depth: 11.0 m
    Turbidity: 1.0 NTU
    Temperature: 20.0 }\mp@subsup{}{}{\circ}\textrm{C
        Species
Threespine stickleback
TOTALS
            No.
                Total
                            No./
                                    Wt.(g) /
                                wt.(g)
        hectare
        hectare
            4
            8
            5 0
                                1 0 1
                                8
                                5 0
                            1 0 1
H=0.00 E = 0.00
```


## Appendix Table 5.--Continued.

| Station:PS4 |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Gear: 100-m purse seine |  |  |  |  |
| Date: 8 Sep 1992 |  |  |  |  |
| Time: 1215 |  |  |  |  |
| Tide stage: High slack |  |  |  |  |
| Depth: 1.5 m |  |  |  |  |
| Turbidity: 1.0 NTU |  |  |  |  |
| Temperature: $20.0{ }^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ |  |  |  |  |
| Species | No. <br> captured | Total <br> wt. (g) | $\begin{gathered} \text { No./ } \\ \text { hectare } \end{gathered}$ | Wt. (g) / hectare |
| American shad | 1 | 2 | 13 | 25 |
| Threespine stickleback | 12 | 34 | 151 | 428 |
| Starry flounder | 1 | 2 | 13 | 25 |
| TOTALS | 14 | 38 | 177 | 478 |
| $H=0.73 \mathrm{E}=0.46$ |  |  |  |  |


| Station:PS5 |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Gear: 100-m purse seine |  |  |  |  |
| Date: 8 Sep 1992 |  |  |  |  |
| Time: 1145 |  |  |  |  |
| Tide stage: High slack |  |  |  |  |
| Depth: 3.4 m |  |  |  |  |
| Turbidity: 1.5 NTU |  |  |  |  |
| Temperature: $20.0{ }^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ |  |  |  |  |
| Species | No. captured | Total <br> wt. (g) | No. 1 <br> hectare | Wt. (g) / hectare |
| Threespine stickleback | 3 | 5 | 38 | 63 |
| TOTALS | 3 | 5 | 38 | 63 |
| $H=0.00 \quad E=0.00$ |  |  |  |  |

Appendix Table 5.--Continued.

| Station:PS6 |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Gear: 100-m purse seine |  |  |  |  |
| Date: 8 Sep 1992 |  |  |  |  |
| Time: 1115 |  |  |  |  |
| Tide stage: Flood |  |  |  |  |
| Depth: 2.7 m |  |  |  |  |
| Turbidity: 2.5 NTU |  |  |  |  |
| Temperature: $19.0{ }^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ |  |  |  |  |
| Species | No. captured | Total <br> wt. (g) | No. $/$ <br> hectare | Wt. (g) / hectare |
| American shad | 11 | 69 | 138 | 868 |
| Peamouth | 43 | 226 | 541 | 2,843 |
| Threespine stickleback | 2 | 6 | 25 | 75 |
| Prickly sculpin | 1 | 13 | 13 | 164 |
| Unidentified sculpin | 1 | 1 | 13 | 13 |
| Starry flounder | 2 | 17 | 25 | 214 |
| TOTALS | 60 | 332 | 755 | 4,177 |
| $H=1.32 \mathrm{E}=0.51$ |  |  |  |  |


| Station:TR4 |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Gear: 8-m trawl |  |  |  |  |
| Date: 9 Sep 1992 |  |  |  |  |
| Time: 1306 |  |  |  |  |
| Tide stage: High slack |  |  |  |  |
| Depth: 3.7 m |  |  |  |  |
| Distance traveled: 444 m |  |  |  |  |
| Species | No. <br> captured | Total <br> wt. (g) | No. 1 <br> hectare | Wt. (g) / hectare |
| American shad | 4 | 17 | 18 | 77 |
| Peamouth | 111 | 782 | 500 | 3,523 |
| Prickly sculpin | 2 | 11 | 9 | 50 |
| Starry flounder | 98 | 483 | 441 | 2,176 |
| TOTALS | 215 | 1,293 | 968 | 5,826 |
| $H=1.18 \quad E=0.59$ |  |  |  |  |


[^0]:    a Data from 100 samples each in July and September were averaged to obtain the following values.
    ${ }^{b}$ Data from 99 samples each in July and September were averaged to obtain the following values.

