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Dear Atikin,

Reference: Quinsam Lakes Phytoplankton, August 2024 (Sample Reference CSW346-07, CSW347-07, CSW338-07; Job Numbers C460421, C460425)

1 Introduction

Quinsam Coal Ltd. collects water samples from the Quinsam Lakes system during the growing season to meet long-term water quality monitoring requirements as per the effluent discharge permit issued by the Ministry of Environment and Climate Change Strategy. From 1994 through 2013, the permit required sampling at depths of 1 m, 4 m and 9 m in April through September for Long Lake and Middle Quinsam Lake, with No Name Lake added to the program in June 2012 and Lower Quinsam Lake added in 2013. In 2014 the permit was revised, limiting sampling to surface water (1.0 m depth) three times per year (spring, late summer, fall overturn). Attachment A contains the long-term dataset.

Samples are collected by Quinsam Coal and submitted to Stantec Consulting Ltd. for phytoplankton taxonomic analysis, as part of ongoing monitoring requirements. Some months, an additional sample is taken as a field replicate for quality assurance/quality control. This brief report provides information about samples collected in August 2024 from Long Lake and Middle Quinsam Lake. Attachment B contains the results for August 2024. Attachment C contains copies of the chain of custody forms for August.

2 Methods

Sub-samples (27 mL) of preserved lake water were settled and examined at 100 X, 400 X and 1,000 X magnifications using a Zeiss inverted microscope. Counting effort is defined as at least 100 organisms of the predominant species at 400 X, up to 200 fields at 1,000 X, and a half or whole sub-sample at 100 X.

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3 Results

3.1 Abundance

Abundance data for 1993 to 2023 are summarized in Attachment A and detailed taxonomic results for August 2024 are presented in Attachment B. Total abundance in the May and August samples is shown in Table 1. Total abundance for August ranged from 1,300 cells/mL (Middle Quinsam Lake) to 2,000 cells/mL (Long Lake replicate). These numbers are in the range reported historically.

Table 1 **Phytoplankton Abundance (cells/mL) in the Quinsam Lake System, 2024**

Lake	Date	Abundance (cells/mL) at 1 m depth			
		Total	<5 µm (1,000 X)	5 to 25 µm (400 X)	>25 µm (100 X)
Long	May 8	1,800	1,600	130	57
Middle Quinsam		1,400	1,300	160	0.5
No Name		990	820	170	0.1
No Name (replicate)		1,000	830	180	0
Lower Quinsam		3,500	3,000	500	29
Long	August 7	1,800	1,300	580	0.8
Long (replicate)		2,000	1,300	670	0.6
Middle Quinsam		1,300	1,200	150	5.9

3.2 Species Composition

Species composition data for the August 2024 samples are contained in Attachment B. The most abundant phytoplankton in Long Lake were the very small (less than or equal to 5 µm) chrysoflagellates (*Ochromonas* spp. and *Chromulina* spp.). The small green alga *Oocystis* sp. was predominant in the Middle Quinsam sample, with the chrysoflagellates subdominant. Although these ultra-nanoplankton species were very abundant numerically, they usually contribute little to algal biomass.

Among the larger algae, the most abundant species were as follows:

- Long Lake – diatom *Melosira italica* (predominant), with green algae *Nephrocytium* sp. and *Dictyosphaerium pulchellum*, and chrysophyte *Ochromonas* spp. common
- Middle Quinsam Lake – cryptophyte *Cryptomonas* spp. (predominant), with chrysophyte *Ochromonas* spp. and green *Dictyosphaerium pulchellum* (common)

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The August 2024 samples differed somewhat in composition and abundance from samples collected during the summer in recent years, perhaps due to the time of collection (August in 2024 and mid July in earlier years) or to differences in water chemistry and temperature over time. The same species have been present over time, but abundance of *Melosira italica* in Long Lake and of *Cryptomonas* spp. in Middle Quinsam Lake were higher in 2024 than in earlier years. Abundance of the colonial green *Dictyosphaerium pulchellum* was lower in 2024 than in earlier years.

3.3 Comparison of Replicate Samples

Two replicate samples were collected from 1 m depth in Long Lake. Percent difference in the duplicate samples was calculated. A difference of up to 10% can be expected for a total cell count of 400 organisms, for repeat sampling from the same bottle; higher percent difference can be expected when separate grabs are used for the replicates, as was done here.

In Long Lake, total abundance was 1,800 cells/mL in one sample and 2,000 cells/mL in the other sample, with a difference of 10%. Both abundance and taxonomic composition were similar in the two samples.

4 Closure

We trust this information meets your present requirements. Should you have any questions or require additional information, please contact the undersigned.

Regards,

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Attachments: Attachment A: Historical Abundance Data: Quinsam Lakes System, 1993–2023
Attachment B: Species Composition Data: August 2024
Attachment C: Chain of Custody: August 2024

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Attachment A Historical Abundance Data: Quinsam Lakes System, 1993–2023

Attachment 1 Historical Abundance Data: Quinsam Lakes System, 1993–2023

Table 1-1 Phytoplankton Abundance (cells/mL) in the Quinsam Lakes System, 1993 and 1994

Date	Sampling Site	Total Abundance	< 5mm (1,000X)	5 to 25 mm (400X)	> 25 mm (100X)
1993 October	LLM1	2,300	1,800	530	
	LLM3	3,000	2,400	550	
	LLMB	610	420	190	
1994 May	LL1R	10,000	8,800	1,200	
	LL3R	5,000	3,800	1,200	
	LL9R	4,000	3,200	800	
1994 June	LL0	1,400	1,200	250	
	LL1	1,000	790	220	
	LL4	1,500	1,200	320	
	LL9	2,500	1,900	580	
	LLB	830	440	390	
1994 July	LL1	2,100	1,900	180	
	LL4	1900	1700	250	
	LL9	1,500	1,100	400	
1994 August	LL1	1,700	1,400	290	
	LL4	1,000	850	200	
	LL9	900	780	150	
1994 September	LL1	900	620	250	
	LL4	2,300	2,000	260	
	LL9	2,100	1,700	350	

Attachment 1 Historical Abundance Data: Quinsam Lakes System, 1993–2023

Table 1-2 **Phytoplankton Abundance (cells/mL) in the Quinsam Lakes System, 1995**

Date	Sampling Site	Total Abundance	< 5mm (1,000X)	5 to 25 mm (400X)	> 25 mm (100X)
April	LL1	3,100	2,700	340	
	LL4	3,300	2,900	350	
	LL9	1,300	1,100	280	
May	LL1	5,400	4,900	570	
	LL4	4,800	4,100	700	
	LL9	1,500	1,000	500	
June	LL1	2,100	1,800	300	
	LL4	2,600	2,100	500	
	LL9	7,400	6,600	850	
July	LL1	2,000	1,700	300	
	LL4	1,900	1,650	350	
	LL9	1,500	1,200	300	
August	LL1	1,100	960	180	
	LL4	1,300	1,100	240	
	LL9	1,900	1,700	210	
September	LL1	2,900	2,800	170	
	LL4	3,400	3,100	330	
	LL9	1,900	1,600	280	

Attachment 1 Historical Abundance Data: Quinsam Lakes System, 1993–2023

Table 1-3 **Phytoplankton Abundance (cells/mL) in the Quinsam Lakes System, 1996**

Date	Sampling Site	Total Abundance	< 5mm (1,000X)	5 to 25 mm (400X)	> 25 mm (100X)
April	LL1	4,600	4,200	340	
	LL4	6,000	5,600	380	
	LL9	1,100	960	160	
May	LL1	2,200	1,600	600	31
	LL4	2,200	1,700	540	16
	LL9	1,700	1,400	290	26
June	LL1	2,100	1,600	440	4
	LL4	1,600	1,300	340	2
	LL9	1,600	1,100	500	9
July	LL1	2,400	2,300	140	1
	LL4	3,200	3,000	200	3
	LL9	No sample			
August	LL1	2,100	1,900	160	1
	LL4	2,200	1,800	390	37
	LL9	1,700	1,500	200	10
September	LL1	1,900	1,600	230	82
	LL4	2,200	1,800	300	145
	LL9	2,100	1,800	220	38
April	MQ1	No sample			
	MQ4	No sample			
	MQ9	No sample			
May	MQ1	2,000	1,700	230	11
	MQ4	1,100	930	180	7
	MQ9	2,200	1,800	430	1
June	MQ1	2,700	2,500	150	3
	MQ4	2,600	2,400	210	7
	MQ9	1,200	1,000	190	1
July	MQ1	2,400	2,100	335	24
	MQ4	1,900	1,400	380	130
	MQ9	1,200	860	320	29
August	MQ1	2,800	2,500	280	17
	MQ4	1,800	1,500	310	18
	MQ9	2,300	1,900	390	21
September	MQ1	1,700	1,300	270	5
	MQ4	900	560	350	0.6
	MQ9	1,200	1,100	190	0.7

Attachment 1 Historical Abundance Data: Quinsam Lakes System, 1993–2023

Table 1-4 **Phytoplankton Abundance (cells/mL) in the Quinsam Lakes System, 1997**

Date	Sampling Site	Total Abundance	< 5mm (1,000X)	5 to 25 mm (400X)	> 25 mm (100X)
early May	LL1	3,200	2,800	340	12
	LL4	4,300	4,000	300	32
	LL9	1,700	1,600	140	5
late May ¹	LL1	3,000	2,600	370	61
	LL4	4,900	4,200	620	100
	LL9	4,700	4,000	730	44
June ²	LL1	1,500	1,100	340	2
	LL4	1,200	1,000	240	1
	LL9	3,900	2,700	1,200	50
July	LL1	2,400	2,300	110	0
	LL4	1,700	1,500	170	0.1
	LL9	480	390	80	2
August	LL1	1,900	1,700	230	0.2
	LL4	880	740	140	0.6
	LL9	1,000	870	93	1.4
September	LL1	1,000	870	140	0.6
	LL4	2,000	1,800	270	0.3
	LL9	700	490	210	0.8
early May	MQ1	1,700	1,400	270	2
	MQ4	1,600	1,400	240	2
	MQ9	2,500	2,300	240	2
late May	MQ1	1,200	1,000	150	0.4
	MQ4	1,600	1,300	280	1
	MQ9	1,200	1,000	190	0.2
June	MQ1	1,900	1,700	140	1
	MQ4	2,500	2,400	130	1
	MQ9	1,400	1,200	200	1
July	MQ1	2,400	2,300	130	0.3
	MQ4	1,500	1,400	110	0.1
	MQ9	890	640	260	0.6
August	MQ1	2,100	1,900	220	0.8
	MQ4	1,500	1,300	190	1.4
	MQ9	1,000	760	240	1.6
September	MQ1	800	640	170	1.3
	MQ4	900	620	280	6.4
	MQ9	650	370	280	1.5
NOTES: 1. Recalculated counting <i>Synedra radians</i> at 400X rather than 100X 2. Recalculated counting <i>Synedra radians</i> at 400X rather than 100X & <i>Cyclotella glomerata</i> at 1,000X rather than 400X					

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Table 1-5 **Phytoplankton Abundance (cells/mL) in the Quinsam Lakes System, 1998**

Date	Sampling Site	Total Abundance	< 5mm (1,000X)	5 to 25 mm (400X)	> 25 mm (100X)
April	LL1	2,800	2,600	210	12
	LL4	4,100	3,700	390	12
	LL9	1,600	1,100	500	10
May ¹	LL1	2,000	1,500	430	76
	LL4	1,600	1,100	480	85
	LL9	2,100	1,500	630	20
June	LL1	5,700	5,600	140	0.3
	LL4	7,100	6,900	210	0.3
	LL9	3,300	1,700	1,600	4
July	LL1	1,200	1,100	130	10
	LL4	740	560	170	8
	LL9	760	130	630	5
August	LL1	1,900	1,700	190	2
	LL4	2,200	2,000	230	2
	LL9	1,900	1,600	220	5
September	LL1	5,000	4,900	130	2
	LL4	3,500	3,300	150	2
	LL9	2,200	2,000	220	5
April	MQ1	2,200	1,900	250	3
	MQ4	1,900	1,600	260	3
	MQ9	3,100	2,700	460	2
May	MQ1	2,500	2,300	210	1
	MQ4	2,600	2,400	180	2
	MQ9	2,100	1,700	480	0.4
June	MQ1	1,900	1,700	180	1
	MQ4	1,600	1,400	200	1
	MQ9	1,300	1,000	310	0.4
July	MQ1	1,500	1,400	120	19
	MQ4	1,800	1,600	150	35
	MQ9	1,300	1,100	190	25
August	MQ1	1,900	1,700	250	12
	MQ4	1,300	950	350	10
	MQ9	1,400	890	490	12
September	MQ1	2,000	1,800	200	11
	MQ4	2,700	2,500	220	7
	MQ9	2,100	1,900	230	10
NOTE:					
1. Recalculated for counting <i>Synedra radians</i> at 400X rather than 100X					

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Table 1-6 Phytoplankton Abundance (cells/mL) in the Quinsam Lakes System, 1999

Date	Sampling Site	Total Abundance	< 5mm (1,000X)	5 to 25 mm (400X)	> 25 mm (100X)
April	LL1	3,800	3,500	310	9
	LL4	6,800	6,200	560	17
	LL9	3,000	2,600	410	10
May	LL1	No sample			
	LL4	No sample			
	LL9	No sample			
early July	LL1	1,100	910	150	2
	LL4	1,400	1,200	150	1
	LL9	1,300	1,200	100	1
late July	LL1	1,100	870	200	1
	LL4	2,000	1,800	280	1
	LL9	1,000	860	130	1
August	LL1	2,700	2,500	180	2
	LL4	2,800	2,600	170	6
	LL9	3,000	2,800	170	4
September	LL1	3,700	3,500	230	12
	LL4	5,000	4,700	290	17
	LL9	4,000	3,700	290	3
April	MQ1	2,300	1,600	220	430
	MQ4	2,200	1,800	200	230
	MQ9	2,700	1,900	600	190
May	MQ1	No sample			
	MQ4	No sample			
	MQ9	No sample			
early July	MQ1	790	700	90	0.4
	MQ4	770	620	150	0.5
	MQ9	1,100	1,000	130	0.3
late July	MQ1	2,700	2,600	110	0.2
	MQ4	2,100	1,900	220	0.8
	MQ9	620	420	190	0.3
August	MQ1	2,100	2,000	140	6
	MQ4	1,100	980	110	4
	MQ9	1,100	1,000	120	9
September	MQ1	1,300	1,100	190	14
	MQ4	1,500	1,300	190	9
	MQ9	760	540	210	10

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Table 1-7 **Phytoplankton Abundance (cells/mL) in the Quinsam Lakes System, 2000**

Date	Sampling Site	Total Abundance	< 5mm (1,000X)	5 to 25 mm (400X)	> 25 mm (100X)
April	LL1	2,100	1,600	450	33
	LL4	2,500	1,800	700	68
	LL9	1,300	590	740	6.8
May	LL1	3,300	2,800	530	17
	LL4	3,000	2,600	320	15
	LL9	2,000	1,500	490	15
June	LL1	2,900	2,500	390	9.1
	LL4	2,900	2,400	400	19
	LL9	6,400	5,700	730	19
July	LL1	1,600	1,400	130	2.1
	LL4	1,400	1,200	250	1.6
	LL9	1,200	990	250	3.6
August	LL1	1,800	1,600	170	12
	LL4	1,100	940	190	8.2
	LL9	1,500	1,400	130	1.9
September	LL1	2,200	1,900	360	11
	LL4	2,000	1,800	200	9.2
	LL9	1,300	1,100	200	7.2
April	MQ1	1,800	1,300	450	5.9
	MQ4	1,700	1,300	420	1.6
	MQ9	1,500	1,200	280	1.7
May	MQ1	1,800	1,500	290	3
	MQ4	1,600	1,300	290	4.4
	MQ9	1,900	1,600	270	7.6
June	MQ1	2,100	1,900	250	1.4
	MQ4	2,400	2,200	200	2.1
	MQ9	1,800	1,500	380	1.1
July	MQ1	1,300	1,100	210	7.4
	MQ4	2,100	1,800	250	9.6
	MQ9	2,100	1,300	800	22
August	MQ1	1,500	1,200	290	5.8
	MQ4	2,200	1,900	310	7.2
	MQ9	2,400	1,900	500	7.5
September	MQ1	1,800	1,600	200	14
	MQ4	2,100	1,900	250	14
	MQ9	2,000	1,700	220	28

Attachment 1 Historical Abundance Data: Quinsam Lakes System, 1993–2023

Table 1-8 **Phytoplankton Abundance (cells/mL) in the Quinsam Lakes System, 2001**

Date	Sampling Site	Total Abundance	< 5mm (1,000X)	5 to 25 mm (400X)	> 25 mm (100X)
April	LL1	3,300	2,600	670	19
	LL4	4,400	3,900	830	13
	LL9	1,400	860	490	5
May	LL1	7,700	6,200	1,100	310
	LL4	11,000	10,000	980	100
	LL9	4,600	3,600	670	22
June	LL1	7,800	6,600	1,000	170
	LL4	6,800	5,100	1,500	210
	LL9	3,000	2,400	680	25
July	LL1	3,300	3,100	170	1
	LL4	3,200	3,000	180	1
	LL9	1,600	1,400	160	2
August	LL1	1,300	1,100	180	1
	LL4	1,700	1,500	200	2
	LL9	720	540	170	1
September	LL1	8,200	8,000	270	13
	LL4	8,800	8,600	260	13
	LL9	4,800	4,600	190	1
April	MQ1	3,600	3,200	400	10
	MQ4	3,500	3,200	310	11
	MQ9	5,700	4,900	830	24
May	MQ1	1,900	1,500	360	17
	MQ4	1,800	1,400	370	14
	MQ9	3,800	3,200	600	13
June	MQ1	2,200	1,900	240	2
	MQ4	3,700	3,400	310	2
	MQ9	4,000	3,600	390	4
July	MQ1	2,500	2,300	230	8
	MQ4	2,700	2,400	260	6
	MQ9	1,500	1,200	240	8
August	MQ1	1,800	1,600	190	17
	MQ4	1,900	1,700	180	15
	MQ9	1,800	1,600	160	16
September	MQ1	1,900	1,700	180	24
	MQ4	3,200	2,900	230	37
	MQ9	1,800	1,600	190	43

Attachment 1 Historical Abundance Data: Quinsam Lakes System, 1993–2023

Table 1-9 **Phytoplankton Abundance (cells/mL) in the Quinsam Lakes System, 2002**

Date	Sampling Site	Total Abundance	< 5mm (1,000X)	5 to 25 mm (400X)	> 25 mm (100X)
April	LL1	5,600	5,100	460	57
	LL4	5,600	5,100	490	40
	LL9	1,300	1,100	220	12
May	LL1	2,600	1,900	710	29
	LL4	2,700	2,000	690	41
	LL9	1,800	1,300	460	37
June	LL1	5,800	5,300	340	140
	LL4	9,200	8,600	450	96
	LL9	3,700	3,000	620	27
July	LL1	2,900	2,700	180	0.3
	LL4	2,400	2,200	160	0.6
	LL9	3,900	3,300	560	41.2
August	LL1	2,900	2,800	140	7.2
	LL4	2,300	2,200	150	3.2
	LL9	1,500	1,400	130	0.6
September	LL1	3,900	3,700	220	27
	LL4	3,500	3,200	260	31
	LL9	2,500	2,300	210	2.2
April	MQ1	2,000	1,700	360	8.2
	MQ4	1,900	1,600	300	3.6
	MQ9	1,500	1,200	260	4
May	MQ1	1,400	1,100	270	1.1
	MQ4	1,400	1,200	230	1.7
	MQ9	1,400	1,100	330	1.4
June	MQ1	1,000	940	110	1
	MQ4	800	680	120	0.3
	MQ9	60	50	7	0
July	MQ1	1,700	1,300	330	50
	MQ4	1,500	1,100	360	34
	MQ9	940	700	240	5.5
August*	MQ1	1,400	1,200	140	42
	MQ4	1,200	940	180	76
	MQ9	2,600	200	300	275
September	MQ1	1,400	1,200	160	33
	MQ4	2,100	1,900	220	28
	MQ9	1,100	920	160	28
NOTE:					
* Recalculated for counting <i>Cyclotella bodanica</i> at 400X rather than 100X					

Attachment 1 Historical Abundance Data: Quinsam Lakes System, 1993–2023

Table 1-10 **Phytoplankton Abundance (cells/mL) in the Quinsam Lakes System, 2003**

Date	Sampling Site	Total Abundance	< 5mm (1,000X)	5 to 25 mm (400X)	> 25 mm (100X)
April	LL1	4,800	4,200	560	36
	LL4	3,600	2,900	640	8.6
	LL9	640	450	190	6.9
May	LL1	4,200	3,500	620	25
	LL4	4,600	3,800	800	23
	LL9	1,400	1,100	280	16
June	LL1	2,300	1,600	630	37
	LL4	6,800	6,100	600	43
	LL9	4,500	3,800	680	42
July	LL1	1,600	1,400	240	1
	LL4	2,400	2,100	270	0.5
	LL9	2,900	2,700	250	9.8
August	LL1	2,000	1,800	240	0.8
	LL4	2,200	1,900	250	0.5
	LL9	1,900	1,600	260	0.6
September	LL1	2,600	2,400	290	0.2
	LL4	3,700	3,400	340	1.8
	LL9	1,900	1,600	250	1.9
April	MQ1	3,500	2,900	570	28
	MQ4	3,000	2,400	510	17
	MQ9	2,000	1,600	310	17
May	MQ1	2,900	2,400	350	99
	MQ4	3,000	2,400	480	43
	MQ9	3,000	2,500	560	16
June	MQ1	1,300	1,100	180	6
	MQ4	1,900	1,500	420	21
	MQ9	3,000	2,700	350	16
July	MQ1	2,700	2,600	170	0.5
	MQ4	2,000	1,600	380	1.5
	MQ9	1,400	1,100	240	79
August	MQ1	1,300	1,000	280	43
	MQ4	1,500	1,200	240	44
	MQ9	3,500	2,500	620	338
September	MQ1	2,100	1,900	260	6.5
	MQ4	2,300	2,000	290	23
	MQ9	Not available			

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Table 1-11 **Phytoplankton Abundance (cells/mL) in the Quinsam Lakes System, 2004**

Date	Sampling Site	Total Abundance	< 5mm (1,000X)	5 to 25 mm (400X)	> 25 mm (100X)
April	LL1	5,300	4,100	1,200	20
	LL4	3,500	2,600	860	13
	LL9	3,300	2,600	730	9.1
May	LL1	8,000	7,100	860	34
	LL4	6,600	5,300	1,200	36
	LL9	2,800	2,000	770	22
June	LL1	2,900	2,600	270	3.1
	LL4	2,900	2,600	310	5
	LL9	4,900	4,100	730	39
July	LL1	1,600	1,300	280	2.7
	LL4	1,200	1,100	170	2.2
	LL9	1,700	1,400	270	1
August	LL1	1,300	960	350	18
	LL4	1,400	1,000	300	38
	LL9	1,700	1,600	110	27
September	LL1	3,800	3,400	370	27
	LL4	4,300	3,900	350	25
	LL4 - duplicate	3,100	2,800	320	19
	LL9	3,000	2,700	280	12
April	MQ1	1,500	1,120	400	2.2
	MQ4	1,400	1,030	370	5.2
	MQ9	1,500	1,200	340	4.2
May	MQ1	2,300	2,000	310	2.4
	MQ4	1,500	1,200	300	3.6
	MQ9	2,600	2,100	470	2.4
June	MQ1	1,900	1,700	190	34
	MQ4	3,000	2,700	250	48
	MQ9	2,200	1,900	210	123
July*	MQ1	1,200	960	260	6.2
	MQ4	1,700	1,400	260	9.9
	MQ9	1,300	840	340	82
August**	MQ1	2,900	2,600	260	53
	MQ4	3,800	3,500	250	51
	MQ4 - duplicate	2,500	2,200	210	53
September	MQ9	3,900	3,600	260	44
	MQ1	2,300	1,700	550	25
	MQ4	2,100	1,600	420	26
	MQ9	2,500	2,000	520	19
NOTES:					
* MQ9 recalculated for counting <i>Cyclotella bodanica</i> at 400X rather than 100X					
** MQ1, MQ4, MQ9 recalculated for counting <i>Elakatothrix gelatinosa</i> colonies at 400X rather than					

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Table 1-12 **Phytoplankton Abundance (cells/mL) in the Quinsam Lakes System, 2005**

Date	Sampling Site	Total Abundance	< 5mm (1,000X)	5 to 25 mm (400X)	> 25 mm (100X)
April	LL1	2,700	2,100	550	24
	LL4	3,500	2,800	610	29
	LL9	670	460	200	8.5
May	LL1	7,200	6,600	670	55
	LL4	5,700	4,900	850	20
	LL9	1,300	850	440	20
June	LL1	2,700	2,400	300	2.4*
	LL4	2,800	2,500	330	8.3*
	LL9	990	850	130	8.9
July	LL1	1,200	800	400	44*
	LL4	1,700	1,200	460	33*
	LL9	692	540	150	3.5*
August	LL1	1,400	1,100	290	26
	LL4	1,100	810	220	64
	LL9	2,400	1,900	360	73
September	LL1	1,400	1,100	170	170
	LL4	2,300	1,900	220	170
	LL9	1,800	1,200	590	31*
April	MQ1	1,400	1,100	370	8.8
	MQ4	1,900	1,500	400	3.6
	MQ9	1,700	1,300	400	6.6
May	MQ1	1,300	1,000	300	3.4
	MQ4	1,500	1,200	330	3.2
	MQ9	1,300	1,000	340	3.7
June	MQ1	1,700	1,600	150	4.6
	MQ4	1,000	710	270	2.1
	MQ9	1,100	900	200	1.1
July ¹	MQ1	1,100	860	220	14.6
	MQ4	1,100	920	200	11.2
	MQ9	1,400	700	170	489
August ²	MQ1	1,100	950	170	0.5
	MQ4	1,900	1,600	250	7.1
	MQ9	2,100	1,700	330	89*
September	MQ1	870	710	140	10.7
	MQ4	1,200	1,100	170	20.2
	MQ9	1,400	1,100	180	146
NOTE:					
* = <i>Cyclotella bodanica</i> counted at 400X rather than 100X					

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Table 1-13 **Phytoplankton Abundance (cells/mL) in the Quinsam Lakes System, 2006**

Date	Sampling Site	Total Abundance	< 5mm (1,000X)	5 to 25 mm (400X)	> 25 mm (100X)
April	LL1	1,800	1,100	610	1.9*
	LL4	3,200	2,700	520	14.7
	LL9	690	550	135	2.2
May	LL1	2,600	2,000	620	19.7
	LL4	4,900	4,200	640	12.9
	LL9	540	380	160	4.8
June	LL1	860	610	200	39.5
	LL4	2,000	1,800	190	22.2
	LL4 (rep)	1,100	940	190	23.2
	LL9	1,700	1,400	220	17.7
July	LL1	1,300	1,100	160	54.8
	LL4	2,700	2,200	370	165
	LL9	1,700	1,300	350	19.1
August	LL1	2,700	2,500	200	14.3
	LL4	2,600	2,300	220	34.6
	LL9	2,800	2,300	470	23.8
September	LL1	3,800	3,600	160	0.4
	LL4	1,300	1,200	120	2
	LL9	1,800	1,700	130	3.6
April	MQ1	2,200	16,00	240	9.4
	MQ4	2,400	1,900	550	8.6
	MQ9	1,600	1,400	180	8.2
May	MQ1	1,700	1,500	240	10.8
	MQ4	1,700	1,400	320	7.4
	MQ4 (rep)	2,100	1,800	310	11.8
	MQ9	1,900	1,600	280	4.1
June	MQ1	1,900	1,800	130	0.9
	MQ4	1,400	1,200	200	4.4
	MQ9	950	840	110	0.6
July	MQ1	1,100	870	220	42.8
	MQ4	2,000	1,700	260	16.6
	MQ9	2,300	2,100	180	18.8*
August	MQ1	1,500	1,200	280	6.5
	MQ4	2,100	1,800	290	13.3
	MQ9	1,300	880	400	17.0*
September	MQ1	2,500	2,300	200	1.9
	MQ4	2,100	1,800	260	11.8
	MQ9	3,400	2,400	970	1.8*
NOTE:					
* <i>Cyclotella bodanica</i> (diatom) counted at 400X rather than 100X					

Table 1-14 **Phytoplankton Abundance (cells/mL) in the Quinsam Lakes System, 2007**

Date	Sampling Site	Total Abundance	< 5mm (1,000X)	5 to 25 mm (400X)
April	LL1	3,100	2,800	240
	LL4	3,000	2,200	620
	LL9	1,200	910	240
May	LL1	2,600	2,000	540
	LL4	3,300	2,600	670
	LL9	1,300	890	430
June	LL1	2,100	1,600	420
	LL4	2,500	2,000	520
	LL9	1,100	750	300
July	LL1	2,300	2,000	240
	LL4	2,400	2,100	270
	LL9	3,100	3,000	180
August	LL1	1,100	900	240
	LL4	2,300	2,100	150
	LL4 (rep)	2,600	2,400	150
	LL9	570	480	90
September	LL1	2,500	2,200	280
	LL4	1,700	1,400	240
	LL9	420	350	68
April	MQ1	1,700	1,500	230
	MQ4	1,900	1,602	300
	MQ9	1,100	900	200
May	MQ1	1,500	1,300	250
	MQ4	1,800	1,500	320
	MQ9	2,600	2,300	310
June	MQ1	1,500	1,200	300
	MQ4	1,800	1,600	200
	MQ9	1,500	1,200	290
July	MQ1	1,500	1,100	220
	MQ4	1,900	1,500	440*
	MQ9	1,000	860	150
	MQ9 (rep)	1,600	1,400	150
August	MQ1	2,300	2,100	200
	MQ4	1,100	970	160
	MQ9	710	590	120
September	MQ1	1,400	1,100	270
	MQ4	1,500	1,200	290
	MQ9	1,000	690	300

Table 1-15 Phytoplankton Abundance (cells/mL) in the Quinsam Lakes System, 2008

Date	Sampling Site	Total Abundance	< 5mm (1,000X)	5 to 25 mm (400X)	>25 mm (100X)	> 25 µm (100X)
April	LL1	2,500	2,070	360	13	30
	LL4	3,100	2,500	540	22	50
	LL9	1,300	1,030	240	6.4	20
May	LL1	3,100	2,840	220	36	20
	LL4	5,300	4,820	430	37	25
	LL9	1,300	1,030	260	11	20
June	LL1	1,000	880	110	40	1
	LL4	960	730	220		8
	LL9 (rep)	1,500	1,060	380*	40	16*
	LL9	1,200	780	380*	10	7*
July	LL1	1,000	970	80	2.1	1
	LL4	1,400	1,300	110	7.8	17
	LL9	2,000	1,500	370	4.2	110
August	LL1	1,100	1,000	50	5.6	1
	LL4	1,400	1,300	50	5.8	11
	LL9	1,100	1,060	40	2.8	9
September	LL1	2,100	1,730	420**	16	2**
	LL4	2,300	1,780	490**	13	3**
	LL9	2,900	2,250	690**	4.4	6**
April	MQ1	2,100	1,850	200	2.8	1
	MQ4	1,700	1,530	200	5.8	3
	MQ9	2,800	2410	400	5	4
May	MQ1	1,000	870	130	2.1	1
	MQ4	1,700	1460	230	1.2	2
	MQ9	1,200	1,000	180	2.7	2
June	MQ1	840	700	140	2.9	0.4
	MQ4	1,300	1,040	240	2.1	1
	MQ9	870	580	280	5.8	0.5
July	MQ1	620	520	90	180	8
	MQ4	500	370	130	7.4	8
	MQ9	870	680	180	3.3	0.5
	MQ9 (rep)	1,000	760	260	0.8	9
August	MQ1	750	660	100	5.8	1
	MQ4	980	860	110	14	6
	MQ9	1,300	990	290		5
September	MQ1	1,500	1,310	160		14
	MQ4	1,100	980	150		3
	MQ9	2,800	2,680	130		10
NOTES:						
* <i>Synedra radians</i> (diatom) counted at 400X rather than 100X, due to high numbers						
** <i>Asterionella formosa</i> (diatom) counted at 400X rather than 100X, due to high numbers						

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Table 1-16 **Phytoplankton Abundance (cells/mL) in the Quinsam Lakes System, 2009**

Date	Sampling Site	Total Abundance	< 5mm (1,000X)	5 to 25 µm (400X)	> 25 µm (100X)
April	LL1	780	480	300	6
	LL4	1,600	1,220	340	4
	LL9	90	60	30	1
May	LL1	6,000	5,150	820	19
	LL4	4,900	4,100	760	10
	LL9	430	290	140	5
June	LL1	1,700	1,370	370	5
	LL4	1,400	1,030	360	12
	LL9	680	340	330	6
July	LL1	2,100	1,900	270	3
	LL4	2,700	2,400	330	4
	LL9	700	340	350	4
August	LL1	3,100	2,900	170	3
	LL4	2,400	2,200	190	15
	LL9	1,700	1,300	370	10
September	LL1	3,700	3,500	220	5
	LL4	2,300	2,100	180	3
	LL9	1,100	950	170	1
April	MQ1	1,400	1,130	250	33
	MQ4	1,300	1,170	160	12
	MQ9	2,300	2,730	520	13
May	MQ1	1,700	1,440	260	3
	MQ4	2,100	1,750	340	5
	MQ9	3,800	3,060	720	18
June	MQ1	1,500	1,360	160	0.1
	MQ4	1,100	990	150	0.2
	MQ9	1,100	940	200	0.8
July	MQ1	1,000	790	190	4
	MQ4	1,300	1,100	220	8
	MQ9	1,200	940	240	5
August	MQ1	610	450	160	0.3
	MQ4	1,300	1,170	170	3
	MQ9	1,600	1,200	390	0.4
September	MQ1	830	670	160	5
	MQ4	1,200	970	170	6
	MQ9	1,400	1,200	240	1

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Table 1-17 **Phytoplankton Abundance (cells/mL) in the Quinsam Lakes System, 2010**

Date	Sampling Site	Total Abundance	< 5mm (1,000X)	5 to 25 µm (400X)	> 25 µm (100X)
April	LL1	630	490	140	1.6
	LL4	1,900	1,500	390	3
	LL9	170	100	70	0.4
May	LL1	1,200	940	270	13.4
	LL4	4,500	3,800	650	17
	LL9	530	390	140	0.9
June	LL1	2,400	1,900	500	5.2
	LL4	3,600	3,000	610	11
	LL9	1,500	1,100	400	10.6
July	LL1	2,100	1,900	170	8.7
	LL1 (rep)	1,900	1,700	180	5
	LL4	3,000	2,800	250	2
	LL9	1,900	1,700	210*	0
August	LL1	1,200	990	180	1.5
	LL4	1,600	1,400	190	1
	LL4 (rep)	1,600	1,400	180	2
	LL9	1,800	1,600	170	0
September	LL1	2,100	1,800	260	15.1
	LL4	4,400	4,200	200	5
	LL9	1,200	1,100	130	0.4
April	MQ1	1,700	1,600	100	0.4
	MQ4	1,200	1,100	120	1
	MQ9	800	710	90	2.4
May	MQ1	1,100	990	120	0.9
	MQ4	1,100	960	150	1
	MQ9	1,600	1,330	240	2.9
June	MQ1	2,000	1,700	270	0.9
	MQ4	1,400	1,100	240	1
	MQ9	1,000	850	200	1.1
July	MQ1	1,800	1,500	250	8.7
	MQ1 (rep)	1,400	1,300	170	6
	MQ4	1,500	1,300	180	10
	MQ9	1,600	1,400	180	4
August	MQ1	1,400	1,200	140	7.2
	MQ4	1,000	870	160	5
	MQ4 (rep)	1,100	900	150	5
	MQ9	1,200	1,000	150	8
September	MQ1	1,300	1,000	260	1.3
	MQ4	1,300	1,040	220	3
	MQ9	1,100	900	190	1.7

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Table 1-18 **Phytoplankton Abundance (cells/mL) in the Quinsam Lakes System, 2011**

Date	Sampling Site	Total Abundance	< 5mm (1,000X)	5 to 25 µm (400X)	> 25 µm (100X)
April	LL1	1,700	1,400	220	52
	LL4	3,900	3,260	540	80
	LL9	2,200	1,820	340	9
May	LL1	3,600	2,880	720	6
	LL1 (rep)	3,500	2,790	690	6
	LL4	4,900	4,160	700	6
	LL9	1,300	900	350	5
June	LL1	2,100	1,750	330	36
	LL4	2,300	2,050	290	3
	LL9	1,500	1,060	450	4
July	LL1	1,400	1,150	270	3
	LL4	1,800	1,440	350	1
	LL4 (rep)	1,900	1,600	300	0.1
	LL9	1,900	1,550	320	2
August	LL1	2,900	2,500	360	15
	LL4	1,800	1,400	320	27
	LL9	1,500	1,200	280	0.9
September	LL1	1,300	940	380	2.2
	LL4	1,800	1,500	380	0.4
	LL9	960	770	190	0.3
April	MQ1	1,600	1,370	270	7
	MQ4	1,400	1,160	270	6
	MQ9	1,900	1,400	490	3
May	MQ1	1,200	1,050	190	2
	MQ1 (rep)	1,200	1,040	170	3
	MQ4	1,800	1,370	410	4
	MQ9	1,600	670	920	4
June	MQ1	2,000	1,840	150	1
	MQ4	1,500	1,300	200	1
	MQ9	1,700	1,200	520	10
July	MQ1	2,200	2,100	110	0.4
	MQ4	1,600	1,330	230	3
	MQ9	1,000	770	200	1
	MQ9(rep)	1,100	860	200	1
August	MQ1	1,400	1,200	210	4
	MQ4	3,300	3,000	280	0.6
	MQ9	1,200	1,000	200	0.1
September	MQ1	2,300	2,100	190	17.2
	MQ4	2,600	2,400	190	0.2
	MQ9	1,600	1,400	240	9.6

Table 1-19 **Phytoplankton Abundance (cells/mL) in the Quinsam Lakes System, 2012**

Date	Sampling Site	Total Abundance	< 5mm (1,000X)	5 to 25 µm (400X)	> 25 µm (100X)
April	LL1	2,300	1,980	330	5
	LL4	3,200	2,570	590	6
	LL9	1,000	800	190	6
May	LL1	3,000	2,470	470	15
	LL4	2,200	1,640	600	7
	LL9	2,300	2,050	280	7
June	LL1	1,400	1,080	310	3
	LL4	1,700	1,400	320	2
	LL9	980	810	170	2
	LL9 (rep)	1,200	1,020	140	1
July	LL1	1,600	1,390	170	3
	LL4	Sample lost in transit (broken bottle)			
	LL9	880	730	150	2
August	LL1	970	740	210	19
	LL1 (rep)	940	760	170	14
	LL4	1,300	990	250	35
	LL9	380	250	130	0.5
September	LL1	Sample unpreserved – no analysis done			
	LL4	2,800	2,350	480	1
	LL9	Sample unpreserved – no analysis done			
April	MQ1	2,200	2,010	200	3
	MQ4	1,700	1,440	220	3
	MQ9	1,600	1,420	180	5
May	MQ1	1,100	990	140	1
	MQ4	830	680	140	0
	MQ9	1,200	1,000	150	0.2
June	MQ1	2,100	1,920	170	0.4
	MQ4	890	740	150	0.3
	MQ9	1,100	910	200	0.4
	MQ9 (rep)	1,100	920	200	0.5
July	MQ1	1,300	1,210	100	0.4
	MQ4	1,100	1,010	90	10
	MQ9	740	640	100	1
August	MQ1	1,030	860	180	0.8
	MQ1 (rep)	920	720	200	0.2
	MQ4	810	660	140	10
	MQ9	430	340	90	1.6
September	MQ1	900	730	170	0.5
	MQ4	760	650	115	2
	MQ9	580	430	160	0.5
June	NNL1	1,600	1,240	320	0.5
	NNL4	1,000	670	370	0.2
	NNL9	840	700	140	1
	NNL9 (rep)	880	730	160	0.8

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Table 1-19 **Phytoplankton Abundance (cells/mL) in the Quinsam Lakes System, 2012**

Date	Sampling Site	Total Abundance	< 5mm (1,000X)	5 to 25 µm (400X)	> 25 µm (100X)
July	NNL1	1,300	1,000	260	1.2
	NNL4	1,700	1,390	310	1
	NNL9	820	540	280	0.2
August	NNL1	810	660	150	1.6
	NNL1 (rep)	790	590	200	1
	NNL4	1,800	1,350	440	0.8
	NNL9	730	530	195	0.04
September	NNL1	1,530	1,170	360	1.2
	NNL4	1,260	970	290	2
	NNL9	1,740	1530	220	0.2

Table 1-20 **Phytoplankton Abundance (cells/mL) in the Quinsam Lakes System, 2013**

Sampling Site	Date	Depth	< 5mm (1,000X)	< 5 µm (1,000X)	5 to 25 µm (400X)	> 25 µm (100X)
Long Lake	April	0.5 m	2,300	1,750	530	10
		1 m	3,000	2,470	570	15
	August	0.5 m	1,300	880	455	2
		1.0 m	1,700	1,170	470	15
	October	0.5 m	1,500	1,150	340	12
		1.0 m	1,900	1,440	400	14
Middle Quinsam Lake	April	0.5 m	1,350	1,080	270	2
		1.0 m	1,400	1,150	250	2
	August	0.5 m	1,300	1,045	235	7
		1.0 m	1,300	1,010	325	6
		1.0 m (rep)	1,200	990	230	9
	October	0.5 m	1,800	1,440	350	2
		1.0 m	1,900	1,570	290	2
		1.0 m (rep)	1,600	1,310	300	3
No Name Lake	April	0.5 m	1,300	900	370	45
		1.0 m	1,600	1,150	380	36
	August	0.5 m	1,200	880	440	5
		1.0 m	1,500	1,060	455	6
		1.0 m (rep)	1,700	1,315	470	8
	October	0.5 m	1,800	1,310	460	1
		1.0 m	1,600	1,060	540	1
Lower Quinsam Lake	April	0.5 m	1,800	1,420	406	2
		1 m	950	700	245	2
	August	0.5 m	960	810	150	2
		1.0 m	620	460	160	3
	October	0.5 m	1,300	1,040	200	12
		1.0 m	1,300	1,060	230	4

Table 1-21 **Phytoplankton Abundance (cells/mL) in the Quinsam Lakes System, 2014**

Sampling Site	Date	Depth	< 5mm (1,000X)	< 5 µm (1,000X)	5 to 25 µm (400X)	> 25 µm (100X)
Long Lake	April	1 m	3100	2665	330	86.6
	July	1 m	1700	1170	490	0.9
	October	1 m	1500	1200	290	18.6
Middle Quinsam Lake	April	1 m	1000	840	155	11.4
		1 m replicate	590	480	100	11.7
	July	1 m	3200	2950	240	0.5
	October	1 m	1700	1400	310	3.2
No Name Lake	April	1 m	1600	1260	290	83
	July	1 m	1300	970	310	2.5
		1 m replicate	1200	830	250	3.1
	October	1 m	1600	1400	200	1.7
		1 m replicate	1500	1200	230	2.2
Lower Quinsam Lake	April	1 m	1600	1400	225	7.6
	July	1 m	1200	1010	210	1.8
	October	1 m	2400	2000	350	66

Table 1-22 Phytoplankton Abundance (cells/mL) in the Quinsam Lakes System, 2015

Lake	Month	Depth (m)	< 5mm (1,000X)	< 5 µm (1,000X)	5 to 25 µm (400X)	> 25 µm (100X)
Long	April	1	3700	3300	400	15
	July	1	1300	1030	260	6.6
	October	1	2100	1800	230	14.6
Middle Quinsam	April	1	1600	1300	300	2.4
	July	1	2900	1060	1850	2.8
	October	1	1150	920	230	0.3
No Name	April	1	1200	870	350	1.1
	July	1	880	610	260	6.6
	October	1	1350	1000	300	4.3
	October replicate	1	1200	920	280	4.5
Lower Quinsam	April	1	2200	1800	350	28
	April replicate	1	2300	1800	520	18
	July	1	3200	580	2630	3.3
	October	1	1500	1100	330	71

Table 1-23 **Phytoplankton Abundance (cells/mL) in the Quinsam Lakes System, 2016**

Lake	Month	Abundance (cells/mL) at 1 m depth			
		Total	< 5 µm (1,000 X)	5 to 25 µm (400 X)	> 25 µm (100 X)
Long	April	1,500	1,300	240	5.5
Middle Quinsam		1,100	882	240	2.8
No Name		1,100	864	240	1.8
No Name (replicate)		970	792	180	1.8
Lower Quinsam		1,500	1,200	260	5.4
Long	August	1,200	990	140	22
Middle Quinsam		930	810	116	1.5
No Name		1,800	1,200	500	42
No Name (replicate)		1,900	1,280	595	46
Lower Quinsam		2,400	1,850	578	1.4
Long	November	780	640	140	0.5
Middle Quinsam		610	520	90	3
No Name		650	600	50	0.4
Lower Quinsam		300	250	50	0

Table 1-24 **Phytoplankton Abundance (cells/mL) in the Quinsam Lakes System, 2017**

Lake	Month	Abundance (cells/mL) at 1 m depth			
		Total	< 5 µm (1,000 X)	5 to 25 µm (400 X)	> 25 µm (100 X)
Long	May	2,700	2,400	340	16.2
Middle Quinsam		1,900	1,500	370	15.4
No Name		1,300	1,000	320	7.9
Lower Quinsam		1,700	1,300	390	1.2
Long	Sept.	1,100	940	200	1.5
Middle Quinsam		980	760	220	0.9
No Name		1,400	860	480	29.8
No Name Replicate		1,500	1,000	450	28.1
Lower Quinsam		1,700	990	600	86.6
Long	Oct.	2,000	1,800	190	0.4
Middle Quinsam		860	770	80	7.5
No Name		1,600	1,370	260	1
No Name Replicate		1,800	1,400	390	4.2
Lower Quinsam		1,300	770	530	14.8

Table 1-25 **Phytoplankton Abundance (cells/mL) in the Quinsam Lakes System, 2018**

Lake	Month	Abundance (cells/mL) at 1 m depth			
		Total	<5 µm (1,000 X)	5 to 25 µm (400 X)	>25 µm (100 X)
Long	May	1,500	1,300	150	3.4
Long—duplicate		1,300	1,100	140	4.8
Middle Quinsam		1,000	920	110	0.4
No Name		1,800	1,500	250	0.1
Lower Quinsam		2,700	2,400	320	0.5
Long	August	1,200	1,100	110	1.7
Middle Quinsam		1,600	1,500	180	0.2
No Name		1,400	1,200	270	2
Lower Quinsam		2,300	680	1,600	13
Lower Quinsam—replicate		3,400	1,100	2,300	6.6
Long	November	9,200	2,500	210	6,500
Middle Quinsam		2,100	1,700	360	0.04
No Name		1,600	1,300	300	0.7
Lower Quinsam		1,800	1,500	230	96

Attachment 1 Historical Abundance Data: Quinsam Lakes System, 1993–2023

Table 1-26 Phytoplankton Abundance (cells/mL) in the Quinsam Lakes System, 2019

Lake	Month	Abundance (cells/mL) at 1 m depth			
		Total	<5 µm (1,000 X)	5 to 25 µm (400 X)	>25 µm (100 X)
Long	1-May	2,400	1,900	430	1
Long (duplicate)		2,100	1,700	420	1.7
Middle Quinsam	2-May	320	260	60	1.2
No Name	1-May	740	440	300	0.1
Lower Quinsam	2-May	600	500	99	1.2
Long	8-May	2,000	1,700	300	0.5
Middle Quinsam		1,000	920	80	0.4
No Name		2,700	2,100	570	0.03
Lower Quinsam		2,100	1,800	310	11.9
Long	30-Jul	2,600	2,300	220	1.3
Middle Quinsam		1,800	1,600	220	0.7
No Name		2,400	2,100	350	4.9
No Name (duplicate)		2,200	1,800	370	9
Lower Quinsam		1,900	1,500	320	1
Long	Oct. 24	2,400	1,900	450	0.7
Middle Quinsam		1,300	1,100	210	0.04

Attachment 1 Historical Abundance Data: Quinsam Lakes System, 1993–2023

Table 1-27 **Phytoplankton Abundance (cells/mL) in the Quinsam Lake System, 2020**

Lake	Date	Abundance (cells/mL) at 1 m depth			
		Total	<5 µm (1,000 X)	5 to 25 µm (400 X)	>25 µm (100 X)
Long	12-May	3,400	2,800	330	275
Middle Quinsam		1,200	1,150	65	4.2
No Name ¹		4,100	1,600	2,500	0.4
Lower Quinsam	13-May	4,000	3,500	360	95
Long	5-Aug	2,600	2,400	160	13
Middle Quinsam		1,500	1,300	190	0.4
Middle Quinsam replicate		1,400	1,200	200	0.5
Long	7-Oct	3,200	3,000	200	2.6
Long replicate		3,000	2,800	200	1.6
Middle Quinsam		3,000	2,700	250	2.2
NOTE:					
¹ . <i>Dinobryon</i> spp. counted at 400X rather than 100X due to high abundance					

Attachment 1 Historical Abundance Data: Quinsam Lakes System, 1993–2023

Table 1-28 **Phytoplankton Abundance (cells/mL) in the Quinsam Lake System, 2021**

Lake	Date	Abundance (cells/mL) at 1 m depth			
		Total	<5 µm (1,000 X)	5 to 25 µm (400 X)	>25 µm (100 X)
Long	4-May	1,000	920	120	1.7
Long (replicate)		1,200	1,100	120	0.7
Middle Quinsam		2,200	2,100	120	0.1
No Name ¹		1,200	990	220	0.2
Lower Quinsam		1,300	1,100	180	1.8
Long	12-Jul	1,000	830	190	0.9
Long (replicate)		1,000	810	190	0.4
Middle Quinsam		1,400	1000	390	0.2
Long	6-Oct	2,100	1,900	190	0.4
Middle Quinsam		2,200	2,000	200	12.6
Middle Quinsam replicate)		2,200	2,000	230	11.4
NOTE:					
^{1.} <i>Dinobryon</i> spp. counted at 400X rather than 100X due to high abundance					

Table 1-29

Phytoplankton Abundance (cells/mL) in the Quinsam Lake System, 2022

Lake	Date	Abundance (cells/mL) at 1 m depth			
		Total	<5 µm (1,000 X)	5 to 25 µm (400 X)	>25 µm (100 X)
Long	6-April, 7-April	1,400	1,300	83	2.4
Middle Quinsam		1,800	1,700	70	0.5
Middle Quinsam (replicate)		1,800	1,700	65	0.5
No Name		1,500	1,400	88	7.8
No Name (replicate)		1,800	1,700	100	4.4
Lower Quinsam		1,600	1,500	54	0.6
Long	3-May, 4-May	1,700	1,500	170	0.9
Middle Quinsam		1,700	1,600	100	0.4
No Name		1,400	1,300	160	0.3
Lower Quinsam		1,700	1,600	180	1.6
Long	20-Jul	1,300	1,100	200	0.4
Middle Quinsam		1,400	1,200	250	1.3
Middle Quinsam (replicate)		1,200	1,000	200	0.2
Long (SEE NOTE)	12-Oct	1,700	1,500	170	2
Long (replicate) (SEE NOTE)		1,500	1,300	180	0.1
Middle Quinsam		1,000	900	120	2
NOTE It is possible that results for the two October Long Lake samples were affected by an issue with the laboratory. Subsamples of the preserved sample had been removed for chemical analysis, and it is not known whether the sample mixing methods prior to subsampling were the same as are followed for the phytoplankton samples.					

Table 1-30 **Phytoplankton Abundance (cells/mL) in the Quinsam Lake System, 2023**

Lake	Date	Abundance (cells/mL) at 1 m depth			
		Total	<5 µm (1,000 X)	5 to 25 µm (400 X)	>25 µm (100 X)
Long	3-May, 4-May	2,800	2,700	170	2
Middle Quinsam		1,100	940	120	1.1
No Name		1,900	1,800	160	0.5
Lower Quinsam		1,300	1,100	180	22
Lower Quinsam (replicate)		1,200	1,100	120	7
Long	18-Jul	960	850	120	1.1
Long (replicate)		870	740	130	2.3
Middle Quinsam		1,200	530	710	0.3
Long	10-Oct	1,100	990	140	6.7
Middle Quinsam		1,300	1,200	150	25
Middle Quinsam (replicate)		1,400	1,200	140	28

Reference: Quinsam Lakes Phytoplankton, August 2024 (Sample Reference CSW346-07, CSW347-07, CSW338-07; Job Numbers C460421, C460425)

Attachment B Species Composition Data: August 2024

Quinsam Lake Phytoplankton - 7 August 2024
Long Lake 1 m (CSW346-07, Job C460425)
27 ml sample settled

Total Cells Counted **434**
Total Cells Per mL **1,800**

	Number Counted	Cells per mL
1000X magnification - 50 fields		
CHRYSTOPHYCEAE		
Ochromonas/Chromulina spp. (2-3 um)	39	702
Ochromonas/Chromulina spp. (4-5 um)	12	216
Ochromonas/Chromulina spp. (6-7 um)	2	36
Pseudokephyrion sp.	1	18
Chrysochromulina parva	12	216
CHLOROPHYCEAE		
Oocystis sp. (cells, 5 x 3 um)	4	72
TOTAL	70	1260
400X magnification - 1 strip		
CHRYSTOPHYCEAE		
Diceras chodatii	1	2
Dinobryon sp.	2	3
Mallomonas sp.	1	2
Ochromonas spp. (8-10 um)	36	61
BACILLARIOPHYCEAE		
Melosira italica (fil)	152	258
CHLOROPHYCEAE		
Dictyosphaerium pulchellum (cols)	43	73
Gloeocystis sp. (col)	2	3
Oocystis sp. (cells + cols)	3	5
Nephrycytium sp. (cells)	74	126
Scenedesmus sp. (col)	1	2
CRYPTOPHYCEAE		
Cryptomonas spp.	3	5
Rhodomonas minuta	21	36
CYANOPHYCEAE		
Chroococcus spp. (col)	1	2
Dactylococcopsis acicularis (cols)	3	5
Merismopedia sp. (cols)	1	2
Rhabdoderma sp. (cols)	1	2
TOTAL	344	585
100X magnification - whole sample		
CHRYSTOPHYCEAE		
Dinobryon cylindricum (5 col, 11 cells)	11	0.4
BACILLARIOPHYCEAE		
Navicula sp. (60 um)	1	0.04
Synedra radians	2	0.1
Synedra ulna	2	0.1
CHLOROPHYCEAE		
Botryococcus braunii (col)	1	0.04
Elakatothrix gelatinosa (col)	2	0.1
CYANOPHYCEAE		
Aphanocapsa sp. (col)	1	0.04
TOTAL	20	0.8

Quinsam Lake Phytoplankton - 7 August 2024
Long Lake 1 m Replicate (CSW347-07, Job C460425)
27 ml sample settled

Total Cells Counted **482**
Total Cells Per mL **2,000**

	Number Counted	Cells per mL
1000X magnification - 50 fields		
CHRYSTOPHYCEAE		
Ochromonas/Chromulina spp. (2-3 um)	40	720
Ochromonas/Chromulina spp. (4-5 um)	12	216
Ochromonas/Chromulina spp. (6-7 um)	5	90
Pseudokephyrion sp.	1	18
Chrysochromulina parva	13	234
CHLOROPHYCEAE		
Oocystis sp. (cells, 5 x 3 um)	2	36
TOTAL	73	1314
400X magnification - 1 strip		
CHRYSTOPHYCEAE		
Diceras chodatii	3	5
Ochromonas spp. (8-10 um)	39	66
BACILLARIOPHYCEAE		
Cyclotella cf. stelligera/ocelata	1	2
Melosira italica (fil)	169	287
CHLOROPHYCEAE		
Crucigenia sp. (col)	3	5
Dictyosphaerium pulchellum (cols)	45	77
Gloeocystis sp. (col)	1	2
Oocystis sp. (cells + cols)	5	9
Nephrycytium sp. (cells)	96	163
Scenedesmus sp. (col)	4	7
Tetraedron sp.	1	2
DINOPHYCEAE		
Peridinium sp.	1	2
CRYPTOPHYCEAE		
Cryptomonas spp.	1	2
Rhodomonas minuta	22	37
CYANOPHYCEAE		
Chroococcus spp. (col)	1	2
Dactylococcopsis acicularis (cols)	6	10
TOTAL	395	672
100X magnification - whole sample		
BACILLARIOPHYCEAE		
Rhoopalodia gibba	1	0.04
Synedra radians	2	0.1
Synedra ulna	2	0.1
CHLOROPHYCEAE		
Cosmarium sp.	1	0.04
Elakatothrix gelatinosa (col)	5	0.2
Staurostrum sp.	1	0.04
CYANOPHYCEAE		
Anabaena cf. planctonica (1 fil, 20 cells)	1	0.04
Aphanocapsa sp. (col)	1	0.04
TOTAL	14	0.6

Quinsam Lake Phytoplankton - 8 May 2024
Middle Quinsam Lake 1 m (CSW338-07, Job C460421)
27 ml sample settled

Total Cells Counted **483**
Total Cells Per mL **1,300**

	Number Counted	Cells per mL
1000X magnification - 50 fields		
CHRYSTOPHYCEAE		
Ochromonas/Chromulina spp. (2-3 um)	17	306
Ochromonas/Chromulina spp. (4-5 um)	6	108
Ochromonas/Chromulina spp. (6-7 um)	4	72
CHLOROPHYCEAE		0
Oocystis sp. (cells, 5 X 3 um)	38	684
TOTAL	65	1170
400X magnification - 3 strips		
CHRYSTOPHYCEAE		
Mallomonas spp.	1	1
Ochromonas spp. (8-10 um)	60	34
BACILLARIOPHYCEAE		
Achnanthes spp.	1	1
Cyclotella bodanica	2	1
Navicula sp. (30 um)	1	1
Synedra sp. (small)	1	1
CHLOROPHYCEAE		
Dictyosphaerium pulchellum (cols)	41	23
Gloeocystis sp. (cells + cols)	10	6
Nephrocystium sp. (cells)	3	2
Oocystis sp. (cells+cols)	9	5
Quadrigula chodatii (cols)	1	1
Schroederia setigera	1	1
DINOPHYCEAE		
Gymnodinium sp.	3	2
CRYPTOPHYCEAE		
Cryptomonas spp.	118	67
Rhodomonas minuta	8	5
CYANOPHYCEAE		
Chroococcus sp. (cols)	1	1
Dactylococcopsis acicularis (cols)	2	1
Rhabdoderma sp. (cols)	8	5
TOTAL	271	154
100X magnification - whole sample		
CHRYSTOPHYCEAE		
Dinobryon cylindricum (8 col, 54 cells)	54	2.2
Dinobryon sociale (2 col, 80 cells)	80	3.2
BACILLARIOPHYCEAE		
Navicula sp. 100 um	1	0.04
CHLOROPHYCEAE		
Elakatothrix gelatinosa (cols)	2	0.1
Staurastrum sp.	1	0.04
Xanthidium sp.	1	0.04
CYANOPHYCEAE		
Anabaena flos-aquae (3 fil)	3	0.1
Aphanocapsa sp (col)	5	0.2
TOTAL	147	5.9

Reference: Quinsam Lakes Phytoplankton, August 2024 (Sample Reference CSW346-07, CSW347-07, CSW338-07; Job Numbers C460421, C460425)

Attachment C Chain of Custody: August 2024



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