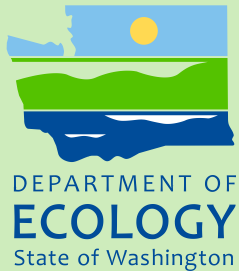




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Abstract

In September 2014, the Washington State Department of Ecology (Ecology) conducted a study to characterize PCB concentrations in common carp (*Cyprinus carpio*) from Lake Spokane. Data on PCB concentrations in carp can be used to estimate the mass of PCBs removed from Lake Spokane as a part of Avista Utilities' proposed carp population reduction project.

Ecology's September 2014 study yielded far fewer carp than was planned. The original objective of the study was to analyze 75 carp used in 15 composite samples from several fish size classes and to determine an average PCB concentration for each size class. Instead, only 15 individual carp were analyzed. The size distribution of these 15 fish was found to be representative of an earlier population survey of 639 carp from Lake Spokane.

Whole fish were processed and analyzed for lipids and PCB Aroclors. A subset of the samples (N=10) was analyzed for PCB congeners. Aroclors and congeners were highly correlated with an R^2 of 0.98. Aroclor data (N=15) were then used to calculate an average total PCB mass per fish.

The average mass of PCB Aroclors per fish was 0.0027 grams. This calculation can be applied to any individual common carp, within the length range of 569 to 798 millimeters, removed from upper Lake Spokane. A range of 0.0015 – 0.0041 grams, based on the 95% confidence interval, can also be used to estimate a range of total PCB Aroclor masses. These numbers can be scaled-up and applied to the number of carp removed, for an estimation of bulk mass of PCBs removed.

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Introduction

The purpose of this study was to quantify the concentrations of polychlorinated biphenyls (PCBs) in common carp (*Cyprinus carpio*) from Lake Spokane. The PCB results will be used to estimate the mass of PCBs that could be potentially removed from Lake Spokane during Avista Utilities' (Avista) proposed carp population reduction project or other projects where carp are removed from Lake Spokane. The removal of carp is expected to help improve water quality problems related to phosphorus loading and low levels of dissolved oxygen in Lake Spokane.

Background

Lake Spokane and portions of the Spokane River are listed as impaired for PCBs under Section 303(d) of the Clean Water Act. Carp are known to accumulate high levels of PCBs in their tissue because they have high fat content, are a long-lived species, and are bottom feeders. Carp are frequently in contact with sediments where PCBs settle out in slower moving areas of riverine systems. The Washington State Department of Ecology (Ecology) recognized Avista Utilities' (Avista) carp population reduction project as an opportunity to help reduce the mass of PCBs in Lake Spokane. In order to estimate the potential mass of PCBs that could be removed, Ecology needed to determine PCB concentrations in carp.

Avista is an energy company involved in the production, transmission, and distribution of energy that supplies electricity and natural gas to customers in eastern Washington and northern Idaho. They own and operate five hydroelectric dams on the Spokane River regulated by the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission. Long Lake Dam, at the western downstream end, creates the reservoir known as Lake Spokane. Nine Mile Dam is located approximately one mile upstream of Lake Spokane.

Dissolved oxygen (DO) levels in portions of the Spokane River and Lake Spokane do not meet Washington's water quality standards, and these portions are listed as "impaired" under Section 303(d) of the Clean Water Act. In response, Ecology developed the *Spokane River and Lake Spokane Dissolved Oxygen Total Maximum Daily Load Water Quality Improvement Report* (DO TMDL) (Moore and Ross, 2010). Within the DO TMDL, Avista was assigned a proportional level of responsibility to improve DO concentrations within Lake Spokane. This requirement was amended into Avista's 401 Water Quality Certification (Certification), included as Appendix B of its Federal Energy Regulatory Commission License for the Spokane River Hydroelectric Project (Avista and Golder, 2012).

Subsequent to the DO TMDL and the Certification amendment, Avista completed a *Lake Spokane Dissolved Oxygen Water Quality Attainment Plan*, which identified potential measures to improve DO conditions within Lake Spokane (Avista and Golder, 2012). These measures focused on reducing nonpoint sources of phosphorus loading into Lake Spokane. One such measure includes investigating whether a carp population reduction program would improve water quality (Avista and Golder, 2012). Carp are believed to play a large role in the recycling of phosphorus from lake sediments to the water column due to their feeding behavior (stirring up

bottom sediments). Phosphorus then contributes to algal growth which eventually decomposes and reduces DO in the lake.

Avista conducted a Lake Spokane Carp Population Abundance and Distribution Study to better understand carp population abundance, distribution, and seasonal habitat use, as well as to help define a carp population reduction program that may benefit Lake Spokane water quality (Avista, 2015). The first component of the population assessment was completed in June 2014 and included the capture and release of 639 carp. Approximately 616 of these carp were marked with passive integrated transponder (PIT) tags, before being released. The recapture program was conducted in September 2014, however a total of only 18 carp were captured, as the carp had already moved deeper into the lake to overwinter. Ecology obtained 15 of these carp for PCB analysis.

Study Area

Lake Spokane (formerly known as Long Lake) is located in eastern Washington and several miles northwest of the city of Spokane (Figure 1). The lake is a part of the Spokane River and was created by the formation of Long Lake Dam (completed in 1915) at its western downstream end. The lake boundary for the eastern upstream end is approximately one mile downstream of Nine Mile Dam. The lake covers 24 river miles between the dams. It straddles three counties: Stevens to the north, Lincoln to the west, and Spokane to the south, southeast, and northeast.

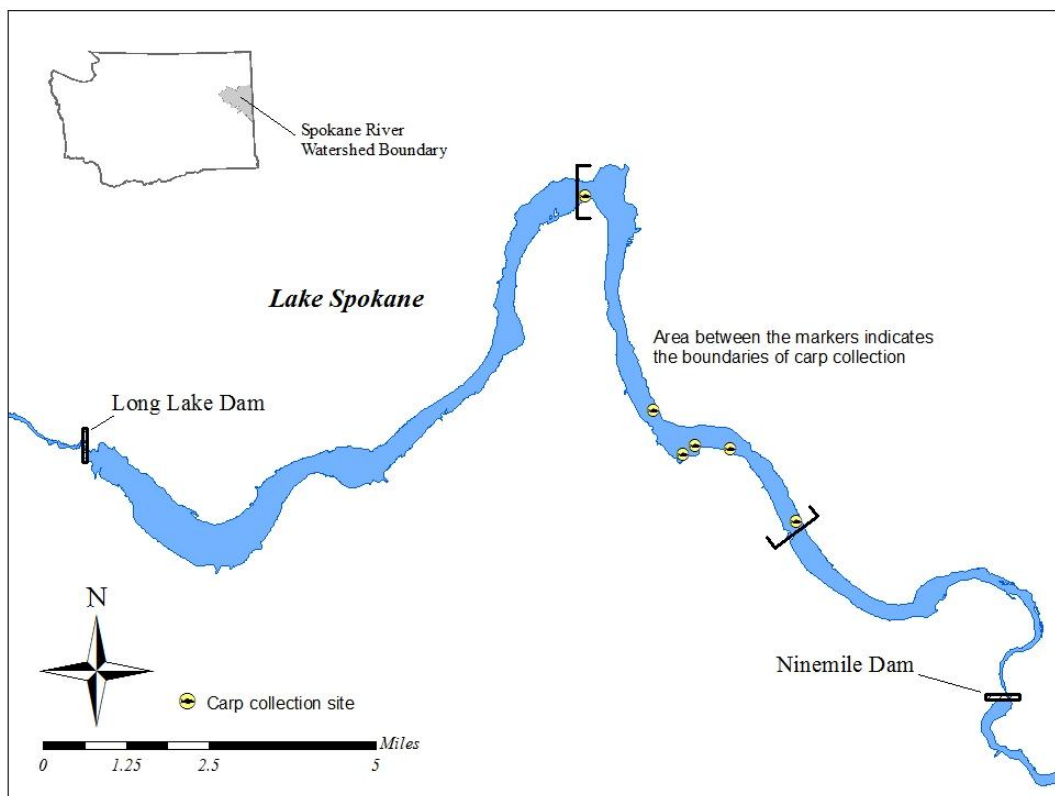


Figure 1. Lake Spokane and 2014 Carp Collection Locations.

Methods

Fish Collection and Processing

Fish were collected by Avista and Golder Associates (Golder), a contractor of Avista. Ecology staff met Avista and its contractor on the day of fish collections at the Nine Mile Recreation Area boat ramp, located in the upper portion of Lake Spokane. Fish were then processed in the field by following Standard Operating Procedure (SOP) EAP009 *for Field Collection, Processing, and Preservation of Finfish Samples at the Time of Collection in the field* (Sandvik, 2010a).

Staff from Avista and Golder recorded field data that included: collection locations, times, weights, and lengths of individual carp. Also identified were the sex of each fish by carefully cutting in to the abdomen and examining gonads, took aging structures, and assigned a fish sample number to each fish before handing them off to Ecology staff. Ecology staff then double wrapped each fish in foil, and secured them in plastic bags in coolers on ice for transport to Ecology headquarters. Location data obtained from Avista and Golder is located in Appendix A, Table A-1. These locations are also shown on Figure 1.

Fish were processed at Ecology headquarters by removing scales, rinsing with deionized water, and cutting the whole bodies into rounds and the heads into several smaller portions so that the tissue could fit into the Hobart commercial grade food grinder. Each fish (as multiple pieces) was then processed following SOP EAP007 *for Resecting Finfish Whole Body, Body Parts or Tissue Samples* (Sandvik, 2010b). This procedure is briefly described in the following paragraphs.

All processing utensils were cleaned in order to prevent contamination of the samples. Utensils included stainless steel bowls and knives and tissue grinding appliances having plastic and stainless steel parts. The cleaning steps were: (1) Liquinox soap and hot water wash, (2) 10% nitric acid rinse, (3) deionized water rinse, and (4) acetone and hexane rinses. The Hobart grinder was only rinsed with acid and solvent before the first sample was processed. Between each sample, it was washed with Liquinox soap and hot water.

Tissue for each fish was passed three times through the Hobart grinder and homogenized to a consistent color and texture. Certified organics-free jars were then filled with tissue and frozen prior to shipment to the laboratories. Additional samples were archived at Ecology Headquarters.

Laboratory Methods

Analytical methods for the project are shown in Table 1.

Table 1. Analytical Methods for the Lake Spokane Carp PCB Study.

Parameter	Number of samples	Analytical Method	Laboratory
Lipids	15	MEL SOP 730009	MEL
PCB Aroclors	15	EPA 8082	MEL
PCB congeners	10*	EPA 1668C	Pacific Rim (Surrey, BC)

EPA: U.S. Environmental Protection Agency

MEL SOP: Manchester Environmental Laboratory Standard Operating Procedure

*These were a subset of the 15 samples analyzed for congeners (i.e., 10 samples had both PCB analyses).

Data Quality

Project Completeness and Representativeness

Project goals for completeness were not met, but sample representativeness was excellent for the study. We originally planned to analyze carp as 15 composite samples of 5 fish each for a total of 75 fish; however, Golder was only able to capture 18 carp of which 15 were supplied to Ecology in September 2014. Though only a portion of the planned number of carp were analyzed for the study (N=15 instead of N=75), the 15 carp analyzed as individuals were highly representative of the much larger group of carp (N=639) that Golder had measured during their June 2014 marking event. Figure 2 shows the overlap of length classes by percentage between the two populations. The majority of carp fell between the 500 – 799 mm length classes for both populations.

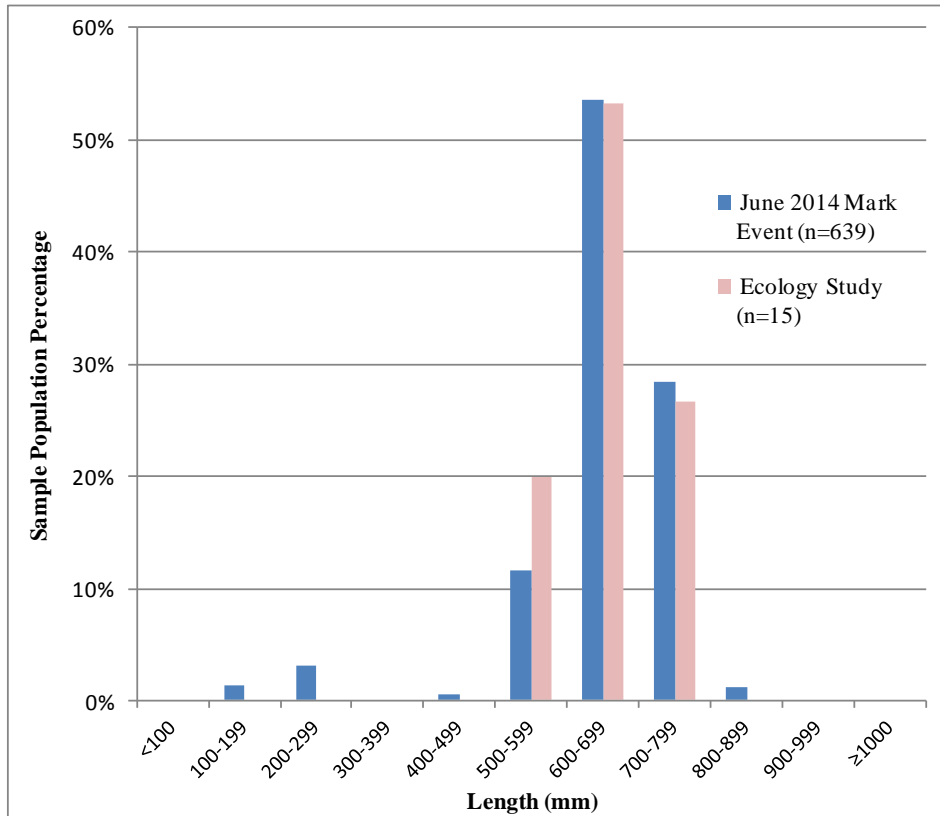


Figure 2. Percentages in 100 mm Length Class for Two Carp Collection Events.

Laboratory

All project data were reviewed by the laboratories and project manager and judged to be acceptable as qualified by the laboratories. All the laboratory measurement quality objectives (MQOs) laid out in the Quality Assurance Project Plan (QAPP) for the project were met (Era-Miller, 2014). Several items are noteworthy: the weathered state of PCB Aroclors and the comparability of PCB congener and PCB Aroclor results.

Due to weathering of the PCB Aroclors and interference between Aroclor patterns during analysis, most of the Aroclor 1260 results were qualified with a “J” indicating that the reported values are estimates. Aroclor 1248 appeared to be present in most of the samples, but Aroclor 1254 concentrations overwhelmed it with at least 50% of the apparent concentration contributed by Aroclor 1254. Because the interference was too high to calculate a reliable concentration in any of the samples, all Aroclor 1248 results were qualified with a “U” as non-detected and reported at the level of interference.

Precision for the lipids, PCB Aroclor and PCB congener data was measured by calculating the relative percent difference (RPD) between laboratory duplicate samples. Project acceptance limits for RPDs were met for all the analyses ($\leq 20\%$ for lipids, $\leq 40\%$ for Aroclors and 50% for congeners). These data are available upon request from the project manager.

Results

Table 4 shows results for biological data, lipids, and totals for both PCB Aroclors and congeners. Full Aroclor and congener results are available in EIM and also shown in Appendix A, Tables A-1 and A-2. Only Aroclors 1254 and 1260 were reported as detected by MEL. Though there was evidence that weathered Aroclor 1248 was present in most of the samples, it could not be quantified due to significant overlap from Aroclor 1254 (this is further explained in the data quality section of this report). There was good correlation ($R^2 = 0.98$) between the total PCB results for Aroclors and congeners.

Table 2. Summary of Results for Carp Collected from Lake Spokane in September 2014.

Fish ID	641	642	643	644	645	646	647	648	649	650	651	652	660	663	664
Sample No.	1410029-01	-02	-03	-04	-05	-06	-07	-08	-09	-10	-11	-12	-13	-14	-15
Length (mm)	681	688	598	798	715	641	655	646	650	699	585	569	791	719	672
Weight (g)	4480	5220	3110	7570	5360	3500	4100	3810	3470	5140	2740	2660	7820	6010	4080
Sex	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	M	M	F	M	M	F	F	M
Age (yrs)	14	14	11	17	11	5	10	10	10	10	5	5	13	10	10
% Lipid	7.8	16.2	8.89	5.96	10.5	9.67	13.4	8.16	5.3	9.71	9.18	12.3	11.9	17.7	4.88
Aroclor 1254	580	970	425*	260	330	210	410	560	345*	360	170	190	350	670	200
Aroclor 1260	320 J	410 J	155* J	160 J	130 J	84 J	160 J	230 J	185* J	190 J	57 J	56 J	160 J	290 J	120
Total Aroclors	900 J	1380 J	580* J	420 J	460 J	294 J	570 J	790 J	530* J	550 J	227 J	246 J	510 J	960 J	320
Total congeners	--	1361*	564*	387	--	376	--	--	596	624	--	291	625	982	448

*Mean of duplicate sample analysis

-- Not analyzed

J: Result value is an estimate.

Unit of measure for PCB Aroclors and congeners is ug/Kg (part per billion) wet weight.

Table 3 gives basic statistics for the carp results. The 95% confidence interval indicates that there is 95% certainty that the mean of the actual carp population in Lake Spokane lies between the lower and upper values given. For example, the mean for total Aroclors in carp from Lake Spokane lies between 410 and 756 ug/Kg (mean of 583 ± 173).

Table 3. Statistics for Lake Spokane Carp PCB Aroclor Data.

Parameter	N =	Mean \pm 95% Confidence Interval	Minimum Value	Maximum Value	Standard Deviation
Length (mm)	15	674 \pm 37	569	798	66
Weight (g)		4605 \pm 882	2660	7820	1593
Age (years)		10 \pm 2	5	17	3
Lipids (%)		10 \pm 2	5	18	4
Total Aroclors (ug/Kg)		583 \pm 173	227	1380	312

Discussion

Correlations were calculated between all the carp measurements and both PCB Aroclors and congeners to identify factors affecting PCB concentration. Correlations are shown in Appendix B. With the exception of Aroclors versus congeners—which had an R^2 of 0.98—, no strong relationships stood out with the data. Lipids were somewhat correlated with Aroclors ($R^2 = 0.26$) and congeners ($R^2 = 0.47$) and also age with Aroclors ($R^2 = 0.27$) and congeners ($R^2 = 0.15$). Length, weight and sex were very poorly correlated. This suggests that the carp samples (N=10 and 15) analyzed for this study have highly variable characteristics (i.e., lipid content, age, weight and PCB levels) even though they are in similar length class (500–799 mm).

Figure 3 shows a comparison between the subset (N = 10) of samples that were strongly correlated between PCB Aroclors and congeners. This correlation supports the use of Aroclors for measuring PCB concentrations in carp from Lake Spokane.

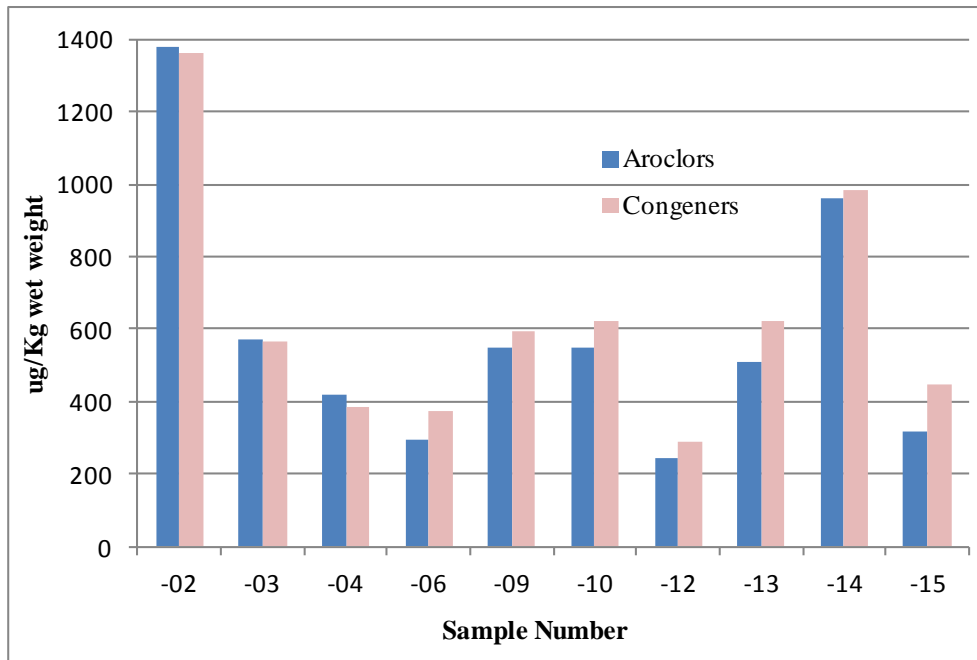


Figure 3. Comparison of Total PCB Aroclors and Congeners in Lake Spokane Carp.

Body Burden and Estimation of PCB Removal

Aroclor results were used for estimating the mass of PCBs in carp because there are more data for Aroclors (N = 15) versus congeners (N = 10) and because of the strong correlation between total PCBs for both methods ($R^2 = 0.98$).

The average mass of PCBs per fish can be calculated by multiplying the mean concentration of total Aroclors (583 ug/Kg) by the mean weight (4,605 g) of carp in our data set (N=15):

$$\frac{583 \text{ ug}}{1 \text{ Kg}} \times \frac{1 \text{ Kg}}{1,000 \text{ g}} \times 4605 \text{ g} = \frac{2684.715 \text{ ug}}{1,000,000 \text{ ug}} \times \frac{1 \text{ g}}{1,000,000 \text{ ug}} = \mathbf{0.0027 \text{ g}}$$

The range of PCB mass per carp is calculated by using the 95% confidence intervals for the mean of total Aroclors ($583 \pm 173 \text{ ug/Kg}$) and mean weight ($4,605 \pm 882$). This yields a range of PCB mass per carp of 0.0015 – 0.0041 grams. This range of masses can then be applied to each carp removed from upper Lake Spokane within the length range of 569 – 798 mm. This length range fits into 94% of the most common length classes (500 – 799), as identified during Golder's June 2014 marking event.

Applying the range of PCB mass per fish to the number of fish removed for this study (N=15) yields an estimate of 0.023 – 0.062 grams of PCBs removed from Lake Spokane during the September 2014 collection. Scaling this range up to 100 and 1000 carp yields ranges of 0.15 – 0.41 and 1.5 – 4.1 grams of PCBs that could potentially be removed from Lake Spokane.

Conclusions and Recommendations

Conclusions

Results of this (2014) study support the following conclusions:

- The 15 carp analyzed for the Ecology study were highly representative of the much larger group of carp (N=639) that Golder measured during their June 2014 marking event. The majority of carp fell between the 500 – 799 mm length classes for both populations, with the lengths for the 15 analyzed carp ranging from 569 – 798 mm. Although all the other data (e.g., weight, lipid content, and PCB concentration) from the Ecology study were variable between samples within this length range, the PCB concentration data are useable for estimating PCB concentrations on a per-carp basis for the length range. Carp outside of this range (either shorter or longer) would need to be analyzed for PCBs in order to estimate concentrations for their specific lengths.
- Total PCB Aroclors (N=15) had excellent correlation with the total PCB congener data (N=10) with an R^2 of 0.98. Aroclor analysis is suitable for measuring PCBs in fish from Lake Spokane for the purposes of calculating total PCBs or for trend monitoring. Aroclor analysis is much more cost-effective than congener analysis.
- The average mass of 0.0027 grams of total PCBs (Aroclors) per carp calculated with the data from this study can be applied to any individual common carp removed from upper Lake Spokane within the length range of 569 to 798 millimeters. A range of 0.0015 – 0.0041 grams of PCBs, based on the 95% confidence interval, can also be used to estimate a range of PCB mass per carp. These values can be applied to the number of carp removed to estimate the mass of PCB removed.

Recommendations

Results of this (2014) study support the following recommendations:

- The average mass of 0.0027 grams of total PCBs (Aroclors) per fish or the range of 0.0015 – 0.0041 grams per fish, based on the 95% confidence interval, should be used to calculate total PCB masses for Lake Spokane carp with a length range of 569 to 798 millimeters. These numbers can then be scaled-up and applied to the number of carp removed.
- The Spokane River Regional Toxics Task Force (SRRTTF) should remain aware of Avista's plans to remove carp from Lake Spokane as part of Avista's ongoing efforts to improve dissolved oxygen in Lake Spokane. In this way, any PCB removal from the lake via carp can be estimated.
- When Ecology's Freshwater Fish Contaminant Monitoring Program (FFCMP) returns to the Spokane River around 2022 to analyze fish for PCBs and other contaminants, it should analyze whole carp from Lake Spokane and target fish in the same length class as this study in order to help track trends of PCBs in fish.

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Appendices

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Appendix A. Location and Result Data

Table A-1. Locations for Carp Collection

Fish ID Number	Site Number	Site Name	Latitude (degrees)	Longitude (degrees)
640	51	Sportsman	47.83181	117.640
641	"	"	"	"
642	"	"	"	"
643	"	"	"	"
644	"	"	"	"
645	"	"	"	"
646	52	"	47.83096	117.632
647	"	"	"	"
648	"	"	"	"
649	53	Sportsman	47.83096	117.641
650	"	"	"	"
651	54	Felton	47.83967	117.653
652	"	"	"	"
653	55	Sportsman	47.82763	117.624
660	51	"	47.83181	117.640
663	56	Suncrest	47.81436	117.609
664	60	McLellan	47.88718	117.674
665	"	"	"	"

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Table A-2. PCB Aroclor Results (ug/Kg, wet weight) for Carp from Lake Spokane

Aroclor	Sample No.														
	1410029-01	-02	-03	-04	-05	-06	-07	-08	-09	-10	-11	-12	-13	-14	-15
1016	49 U	120 U	49 U	50 U	20 U	20 U	24 U	50 U	50 U	39 U	9.9 U	20 U	25 U	120 U	25 U
1221	49 U	120 U	49 U	50 U	20 U	20 U	24 U	50 U	50 U	39 U	9.9 U	20 U	25 U	120 U	25 U
1232	49 U	120 U	49 U	50 U	20 U	20 U	24 U	50 U	50 U	39 U	9.9 U	20 U	25 U	120 U	25 U
1242	49 U	120 U	49 U	50 U	20 U	20 U	24 U	50 U	50 U	39 U	9.9 U	20 U	25 U	120 U	25 U
1248	130 U	320 U	150 U	96 U	110 U	79 U	160 U	190 U	91 U	130 U	67 U	91 U	140 U	330 U	41 U
1254	580	970	420	260	330	210	410	560	360	360	170	190	350	670	200
1260	320 J	410 J	150 J	160 J	130 J	84 J	160 J	230 J	190 J	190 J	57 J	56 J	160 J	290 J	120
1262	220 U	270 U	97 U	130 U	82 U	55 U	100 U	150 U	130 U	140 U	37 U	37 U	110 U	190 U	86 U
1268	49 U	120 U	49 U	50 U	20 U	20 U	24 U	50 U	50 U	39 U	9.9 U	20 U	25 U	120 U	25 U
Total PCBs	900 J	1380 J	570 J	420 J	460 J	294 J	570 J	790 J	550 J	550 J	227 J	246 J	510 J	960 J	320

Values **bolded** to represent detected chemicals

J: Result value is an estimate.

U: Result is not detected at the value reported.

Table A-3. PCB Congener Results (ug/Kg, wet weight) for Carp from Lake Spokane.

Congener	Sample No.																			
	1410029-02	-03	-04	-06	-09	-10	-12	-13	-14	-15										
PCB-001	0.0012	J	0.0005	J	0.0003	UJ	0.004	U	0.004	U	0.0006	UJ	0.0004	UJ	0.0004	UJ	0.0039	U	0.0008	J
PCB-002	0.0151		0.0068		0.0105		0.011		0.0048		0.0084		0.0111		0.0112		0.0121		0.002	J
PCB-003	0.0007	UJ	0.0007	UJ	0.0005	UJ	0.0005	UJ	0.0004	UJ	0.0039	U	0.0022	J	0.0006	UJ	0.0011	J	0.0006	UJ
PCB-004	0.0081		0.0053		0.0039	U	0.004	U	0.0028	J	0.0017	UJ	0.0011	UJ	0.0011	UJ	0.0013	UJ	0.0008	UJ
PCB-005/008	0.115		0.0492		0.0515		0.0453		0.0404		0.0555		0.0555		0.0781		0.116		0.0235	
PCB-006	0.0186		0.0082		0.0088		0.0067		0.0078		0.0059		0.0069	UJ	0.0145		0.0155		0.0039	U
PCB-007	0.0039	U	0.0025	J	0.0017	J	0.004	U	0.002	J	0.0015	UJ	0.001	UJ	0.0011	UJ	0.0013	UJ	0.0009	UJ
PCB-009	0.0069		0.0039	U	0.0039	U	0.003	J	0.0023	J	0.0015	UJ	0.001	UJ	0.0052		0.0071		0.0008	UJ
PCB-010	0.0009	UJ	0.0008	UJ	0.0039	U	0.0008	UJ	0.0004	UJ	0.0015	UJ	0.001	UJ	0.001	UJ	0.0013	UJ	0.0008	UJ
PCB-011	0.349		0.215		0.202		0.392		0.125		0.275		0.327		0.297		0.519		0.0818	
PCB-012/013	0.001	UJ	0.0009	UJ	0.0008	UJ	0.0008	UJ	0.0005	UJ	0.0016	UJ	0.0011	UJ	0.0011	UJ	0.0014	UJ	0.0009	UJ
PCB-014	0.0009	UJ	0.0008	UJ	0.0007	UJ	0.0007	UJ	0.0004	UJ	0.0014	UJ	0.001	UJ	0.001	UJ	0.0012	UJ	0.0008	UJ
PCB-015	0.0261		0.0014	UJ	0.026	UJ	0.0219		0.0063		0.0206		0.0017	UJ	0.0239		0.0024	UJ	0.0016	UJ
PCB-016	0.267		0.111		0.13		0.087		0.0521		0.0947		0.125		0.116		0.261		0.0315	UJ
PCB-017	0.518		0.2		0.207		0.243		0.213		0.255		0.328		0.449		0.927		0.112	
PCB-018	1.65		0.733		0.606		0.717		0.484		0.662		0.992		1.19		2.37		0.261	
PCB-019	0.0449		0.021		0.0177		0.021		0.0141		0.0184		0.0241		0.0266		0.0499		0.0119	
PCB-020/033	0.936		0.349		0.378		0.37		0.349		0.513		0.377		0.739		1.41		0.162	
PCB-021	0.0008	UJ	0.0007	UJ	0.0006	UJ	0.0007	UJ	0.0005	UJ	0.0009	UJ	0.0007	UJ	0.0008	UJ	0.0011	UJ	0.0006	UJ
PCB-022	1.24		0.506		0.409		0.445		0.286		0.611		0.529		0.856		1.55		0.172	
PCB-023	0.0023	J	0.0005	UJ	0.0005	UJ	0.0006	UJ	0.0004	UJ	0.0039	U	0.0006	UJ	0.0025	J	0.0055		0.0004	UJ
PCB-024	0.0216		0.0108		0.0089		0.0069	UJ	0.0076		0.0108		0.0163		0.016		0.026		0.0039	U
PCB-025	0.339		0.138		0.107		0.128		0.0896		0.155		0.142		0.218		0.393		0.0409	
PCB-026	0.638		0.279		0.194		0.237		0.148		0.285		0.276		0.427		0.751		0.0903	
PCB-027	0.116		0.0566		0.0442		0.0529		0.0427		0.0487		0.0605		0.0732		0.147		0.019	
PCB-028	6.69		2.9		1.97		2.48		1.6		3.17		2.65		4.64		8.03		1.0	
PCB-029	0.0172		0.0052		0.0074		0.0088		0.0047		0.0099		0.01		0.0159		0.0294		0.0034	J
PCB-030	0.0014	J	0.0007	UJ	0.0006	UJ	0.0007	UJ	0.0005	UJ	0.0039	U	0.0007	UJ	0.0039	U	0.0039	U	0.0006	UJ
PCB-031	3.73		1.52		1.17		1.34		0.864		1.71		1.56		2.66		4.76		0.538	
PCB-032	0.486		0.17		0.164		0.157		0.127		0.193		0.241		0.324		0.84		0.0596	

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PCB-034	0.0605	0.0251	0.0231	0.0243	0.0176	0.0309	0.0251	0.0484	0.0721	0.0105	
PCB-035	0.132	0.0609	0.0308	0.0377	0.0356	0.0397	0.028	0.044	0.0812	0.0143	
PCB-036	0.581	0.317	0.144	0.215	0.157	0.231	0.176	0.306	0.551	0.0964	
PCB-037	0.351	0.113	0.16	0.256	0.113	0.188	0.162	0.321	0.322	0.0435	
PCB-038	0.0008 UJ	0.0007 UJ	0.0006 UJ	0.0007 UJ	0.0004 UJ	0.0009 UJ	0.0007 UJ	0.0007 UJ	0.001 UJ	0.0005 UJ	
PCB-039	0.354	0.153	0.0773	0.0861	0.084	0.0923	0.0603	0.15	0.256	0.0434	
PCB-040/057	2.06	0.981	0.632	0.698	0.559	0.976	0.792	1.26	2.48	0.314	
PCB-041	1.11	0.61	0.357	0.51	0.255	0.446	0.375	0.707	1.56	0.234	
PCB-042	8.93	4.2	2.25	2.88	2.53	4	2.73	4.8	8.76	1.6	
PCB-043/049	29.6	13.6	7.15	8.66	8.27	13.1	8.2	15.6	27.6	5.63	
PCB-044	19.6	9.77	4.99	6.37	4.99	9.02	7.3	11.3	22.1	3.49	
PCB-045	1.16	0.6	0.344	0.439	0.358	0.591	0.648	0.771	1.81	0.218	
PCB-046	0.306	0.132	0.0902	0.105	0.104	0.128	0.167	0.182	0.572	0.041	
PCB-047/048	25.5	11.4	6.12	7.15	7.6	10.9	6.73	12.9	22.8	4.94	
PCB-050	0.0365	0.0185	0.0138	0.0149	0.0129	0.0191	0.0166	0.0255	0.0623	0.0072 U	
PCB-051	0.461	0.22	0.128	0.145	0.143	0.24	0.211	0.284	0.739	0.0763	
PCB-052/069	28	14.3	6.37	8.68	7.65	12.6	9.5	15.1	28.4	5.26	
PCB-053	1.35	0.669	0.379	0.495	0.4	0.658	0.654	0.902	1.97	0.244	
PCB-054	0.0101	0.005	0.0035 J	0.003 J	0.0028 J	0.0055	0.004 U	0.0059	0.0148	0.0039 U	
PCB-055/080	0.001 UJ	0.001 UJ	0.0009 UJ	0.0009 UJ	0.0006 UJ	0.0013 UJ	0.0011 UJ	0.001 UJ	0.0014 UJ	0.0008 UJ	
PCB-056	10.1	5.42	3.26	3.73	3.4	5.42	3.09	5.9	10.8	2.17	
PCB-058	0.837	0.577	0.0008 UJ	0.0009 UJ	0.321	0.479	0.269	0.455	0.761	0.263	
PCB-059	1.4	1.01	0.378	0.67	0.429	0.772	0.601	0.827	1.56	0.317	
PCB-060	10.1	3.96	1.72	2.1	2.01	2.73	1.85	3.71	5.76	1.43	
PCB-061	0.0011 UJ	0.0011 UJ	0.001 UJ	0.001 UJ	0.0007 UJ	0.0015 UJ	0.0012 UJ	0.0012 UJ	0.0016 UJ	0.001 UJ	
PCB-062	0.0011 UJ	0.0012 UJ	0.001 UJ	0.0011 UJ	0.0007 UJ	0.0015 UJ	0.0012 UJ	0.0012 UJ	0.0016 UJ	0.001 UJ	
PCB-063	2.83	1.26	0.703	0.776	0.834	1.13	0.583	1.33	1.97	0.598	
PCB-064/072	15	8.13	3.49	4.72	4.19	6.72	4.75	7.88	14.8	2.95	
PCB-065/075	0.0008 UJ	0.0009 UJ	0.0007 UJ	0.0008 UJ	0.0006 UJ	0.0011 UJ	0.0009 UJ	0.0009 UJ	0.0012 UJ	0.0007 UJ	
PCB-066	53	23.5	9.98	12.9	13.4	18.8	9.89	21.6	34.5	9.77	
PCB-067	0.549	0.309	0.185	0.208	0.177	0.306	0.17	0.392	0.613	0.103	
PCB-068	0.271	0.177	0.117	0.0832	0.131	0.176	0.0599	0.168	0.231	0.0886	
PCB-070	36.3	19.4	9.26	11.5	10.7	17.2	10.5	20.5	35.3	8.05	

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PCB-071	3.9		1.84		1.01		1.21		1.14		1.81		1.33		2.21		4.72		0.649	
PCB-073	0.0009	UJ	0.001	UJ	0.0008	UJ	0.0009	UJ	0.0006	UJ	0.0013	UJ	0.001	UJ	0.001	UJ	0.0014	UJ	0.0008	UJ
PCB-074	38.2		15		7.4		8.81		9.13		12.2		6.68		14.8		22.6		6.72	
PCB-076	0.406		0.26		0.112		0.159		0.135		0.179		0.158		0.243		0.481		0.0894	
PCB-077	1.66		0.865		0.367		0.585		0.519		0.671		0.497		0.809		1.27		0.294	
PCB-078	0.001	UJ	0.0011	UJ	0.0009	UJ	0.001	UJ	0.0007	UJ	0.0014	UJ	0.0011	UJ	0.0011	UJ	0.0015	UJ	0.0009	UJ
PCB-079	0.001	UJ	0.001	UJ	0.0009	UJ	0.0009	UJ	0.0007	UJ	0.0013	UJ	0.0011	UJ	0.0011	UJ	0.0014	UJ	0.0009	UJ
PCB-081	0.198		0.0738		0.0567		0.0616		0.0703		0.0638		0.0254		0.06		0.11		0.0319	
PCB-082	8.57		3.26		2.55		2.29		3.06		3.56		1.95		3.95		6.58		1.7	
PCB-083/109	3.59		1.47		1.07		0.995		1.34		1.58		0.794		1.65		2.52		0.982	
PCB-084	11		5.84		2.72		3.17		4.49		4.96		2.67		4.8		8.03		3.51	
PCB-085	25.1		10.2		6.6		6.38		9.51		9.57		4.74		9.61		14.6		6.51	
PCB-086/117	0.0023	UJ	0.0021	UJ	0.002	UJ	0.0022	UJ	0.0018	UJ	0.0028	UJ	0.0026	UJ	0.0028	UJ	0.0031	UJ	0.0021	UJ
PCB-087/115	30.4		12.8		7.77		7.75		11		11.6		6.39		11.6		18.6		7.57	
PCB-088	0.0023	UJ	0.0022	UJ	0.002	UJ	0.0022	UJ	0.0018	UJ	0.0028	UJ	0.0026	UJ	0.0029	UJ	0.0032	UJ	0.0021	UJ
PCB-089	0.0023	UJ	0.0022	UJ	0.0021	UJ	0.0023	UJ	0.0019	UJ	0.0029	UJ	0.0027	UJ	0.0029	UJ	0.0032	UJ	0.0021	UJ
PCB-090	3.72		0.0024	UJ	1.16		1.09		1.79		1.67		0.788		1.76		2.48		1.44	
PCB-091/121	7.52		4.11		1.79		2.17		3.14		3.37		2.07		3.36		6.15		2.22	
PCB-092	7.8		4.7		1.79		2.58		3.18		3.86		2.79		3.78		8.06		1.97	
PCB-093/098/102	1.65		0.796		0.386		0.481		0.665		0.754		0.497		0.696		1.63		0.321	
PCB-094	0.181		0.0995		0.0445		0.0551		0.0761		0.0889		0.0719		0.0925		0.215		0.0348	
PCB-095	23		14.2		5.23		7.37		8.86		11.3		7.57		10.8		22.1		6.47	
PCB-096	0.143		0.0847		0.0395		0.0529		0.0575		0.0806		0.0567		0.0778		0.212		0.0349	
PCB-097/116	30.7		12.2		8.06		7.94		12.7		12.5		6.21		12.3		19.5		8.43	
PCB-099	63.3		23.4		15.7		15.6		26.5		23.2		10.7		24		35.3		17.6	
PCB-100	0.305		0.15		0.0823		0.0917		0.158		0.161		0.0724		0.165		0.251		0.113	
PCB-101	83		39.4		19		21.6		34.3		32.1		15.9		32.1		51.3		24.2	
PCB-103	0.441		0.237		0.123		0.138		0.231		0.245		0.11		0.241		0.38		0.152	
PCB-104	0.0037	J	0.0011	UJ	0.0018	J	0.0011	UJ	0.0018	J	0.0016	UJ	0.0013	UJ	0.0016	UJ	0.0059		0.0012	UJ
PCB-105/127	21.2		9.23		4.63		5.86		8.13		8.18		4.47		8.49		13.9		6.12	
PCB-106	0.0013	UJ	0.0012	UJ	0.0012	UJ	0.0013	UJ	0.0011	UJ	0.0016	UJ	0.0015	UJ	0.0016	UJ	0.0018	UJ	0.0012	UJ
PCB-107/108	5.37		2.14		1.58		1.49		2.35		2.36		1.03		2.44		3.44		1.77	
PCB-110	49.5		27.8		11.7		14.5		23.4		22.9		13.6		21.6		41		15.6	

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	1410029-02		-03		-04		-06		-09		-10		-12		-13		-14		-15	
PCB-111	0.0019	UJ	0.0018	UJ	0.0017	UJ	0.0018	UJ	0.0015	UJ	0.0023	UJ	0.0021	UJ	0.0023	UJ	0.0026	UJ	0.0017	UJ
PCB-112/119	2.49		1.05		0.734		0.693		1.2		1.17		0.484		1.15		1.73		0.841	
PCB-113	0.0019	UJ	0.0018	UJ	0.0017	UJ	0.0018	UJ	0.0015	UJ	0.0023	UJ	0.0022	UJ	0.0023	UJ	0.0026	UJ	0.0017	UJ
PCB-114	2.55		0.923		0.623		0.6		0.925		0.852		0.357		0.866		1.23		0.591	
PCB-118	62.6		24.6		16.7		16.1		27.8		26.2		11.4		26		38.9		18.9	
PCB-120	0.0019	UJ	0.0018	UJ	0.0017	UJ	0.0018	UJ	0.0015	UJ	0.0023	UJ	0.0022	UJ	0.0024	UJ	0.0026	UJ	0.0017	UJ
PCB-122	0.267		0.14		0.0992		0.0704		0.0917		0.147		0.0782		0.147		0.304		0.0655	
PCB-123	1.78		0.784		0.51		0.476		0.875		0.795		0.343		0.736		1.26		0.701	
PCB-124	1.62		0.736		0.54		0.475		0.797		0.944		0.459		0.917		1.63		0.687	
PCB-125	0.659		0.328		0.199		0.214		0.318		0.338		0.192		0.261		0.454		0.181	
PCB-126	0.0032	UJ	0.0029	UJ	0.0025	UJ	0.0032	UJ	0.0024	UJ	0.0041	U	0.0045	U	0.0044	U	0.005	U	0.0029	UJ
PCB-128/162	12		5		4.08		3.39		6.34		6.31		2.39		5.78		8.74		5.26	
PCB-129	2.99		0.933		0.971		0.69		1.33		1.18		0.475		1.56		1.74		0.921	
PCB-130	6.13		2.47		2.32		1.81		3.36		3.4		1.26		3.19		4.47		2.84	
PCB-131	0.831		0.356		0.244		0.239		0.403		0.433		0.249		0.413		0.761		0.364	
PCB-132/161	10.7		5.86		3.53		3.73		6.9		6.6		3.37		6.07		11.5		5.49	
PCB-133	1.59		0.651		0.609		0.487		0.982		0.979		0.32		0.881		1.23		0.789	
PCB-134	2.9		1.38		1.02		0.945		1.66		1.82		0.817		1.62		2.84		1.51	
PCB-135	4.75		2.49		1.38		1.61		2.91		2.65		1.44		2.25		4.43		2.08	
PCB-136/148	4.21		2.38		1.27		1.42		2.5		2.36		1.34		2.02		3.95		1.85	
PCB-137	5.32		1.93		1.74		1.47		2.55		2.65		0.96		2.48		3.65		2.19	
PCB-138/160	80.9		30.2		26.5		21.8		40.9		39.7		14.1		37.2		53.2		34.1	
PCB-139/149	45.2		22		12.9		13.8		26.4		23.4		11.1		19.5		35.9		18.7	
PCB-140	0.292		0.175		0.158		0.115		0.245		0.241		0.123		0.235		0.389		0.267	
PCB-141	12.8		5.48		3.96		3.69		6.65		6.68		2.73		6.15		9.95		5.85	
PCB-142	0.001	UJ	0.0011	UJ	0.0009	UJ	0.001	UJ	0.0009	UJ	0.0014	UJ	0.0012	UJ	0.0012	UJ	0.0014	UJ	0.001	UJ
PCB-143	0.128		0.0569		0.0466		0.0496		0.0677		0.105		0.0492		0.0914		0.145		0.0727	
PCB-144	2.91		1.11		0.906		0.86		1.36		1.35		0.587		1.11		1.87		1.02	
PCB-145	0.014		0.0047	UJ	0.0051		0.0041		0.0069	UJ	0.0056	UJ	0.004	U	0.0042	UJ	0.0118		0.0062	
PCB-146	17.2		6.76		6.59		5.09		11		9.83		3.38		9.01		12.3		8.62	
PCB-147	2.09		0.834		0.793		0.678		1.25		1.11		0.451		0.992		1.3		0.862	
PCB-150	0.0602		0.0385		0.0212		0.0208		0.0438		0.0388		0.0165		0.0355		0.0603		0.0308	
PCB-151	13.6		6.38		4.64		3.95		7.96		7.14		3.31		6.39		10.2		5.67	

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PCB-152	0.0339	0.0163	0.0112	0.0111	0.0205	0.0165	0.01	UJ	0.0163	0.0301	0.0138									
PCB-153	104.6	42.5	37.9	31.2	68.5	58.2	19.7		53.8	75.2	53.7									
PCB-154	0.962	0.506	0.366	0.304	0.732	0.592	0.214		0.543	0.756	0.556									
PCB-155	0.0297	0.0177	0.0178	0.0117	0.0166	0.0297	0.0069	UJ	0.0219	0.036	0.0211									
PCB-156	5.49	2.08	1.79	1.54	2.56	2.66	0.986		2.37	3.56	1.98									
PCB-157	0.757	0.391	0.212	0.207	0.423	0.389	0.171		0.347	0.588	0.302									
PCB-158	9.58	3.24	2.95	2.56	4.27	4.31	1.69		4.17	6.12	3.72									
PCB-159	0.135	0.0611	0.0552	0.0007	UJ	0.0763	0.0549	0.0271	0.0558	0.0678	0.0514									
PCB-163/164	29.4	11.1	9.78	8.01	15	15.3	5.41		14	20.9	12.3									
PCB-165	0.0378	0.0148	0.0128	0.0009	UJ	0.0206	0.0137	UJ	0.001	UJ	0.0013	UJ								
PCB-166	0.715	0.283	0.264	0.196	0.355	0.331	0.119		0.31	0.441	0.299									
PCB-167	2.96	1.07	1.03	0.873	1.4	1.4	0.518		1.33	1.7	1.12									
PCB-168	0.0008	UJ	0.0009	UJ	0.0007	UJ	0.0008	UJ	0.0007	UJ	0.0011	UJ	0.0008	UJ						
PCB-169	0.0014	UJ	0.0016	UJ	0.0011	UJ	0.0015	UJ	0.0012	UJ	0.0021	UJ	0.0019	UJ	0.002	UJ	0.0026	UJ	0.0015	UJ
PCB-170	10.9	3.78	3.65	2.68	5.29	4.98	1.5		4.82	5.63	3.8									
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PCB-173	0.292	0.122	0.0823	0.0837	0.156	0.154	0.0601		0.14	0.195	0.131									
PCB-174	8.76	4.69	2.24	2.41	5.18	4.78	1.94		4.23	6.94	4.26									
PCB-175	0.834	0.316	0.282	0.211	0.38	0.412	0.114		0.379	0.49	0.338									
PCB-176	1.45	0.64	0.402	0.403	0.863	0.754	0.298		0.681	1.07	0.704									
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PCB-178	4.57	1.98	1.72	1.29	2.7	2.46	0.828		2.46	3.05	2.25									
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PCB-188	0.0438	0.0203	0.016	0.0114	0.0244	0.0261	0.0081		0.0221	0.0274	0.0244									
PCB-189	0.468	0.144	0.178	0.132	0.245	0.236	0.0726		0.23	0.26	0.201									

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PCB-194	4.72	1.57	2.38	1.31	2.44	3	0.711	2.67	3.1	2.24	
PCB-195	1.91	0.692	1.01	0.544	1.19	1.24	0.349	1.16	1.35	0.937	
PCB-196	3.11	1.26	1.61	0.913	1.61	2.03	0.418	1.65	2.08	1.22	
PCB-197	0.441	0.159	0.202	0.116	0.231	0.269	0.0698	0.254	0.303	0.205	
PCB-198	0.0003 UJ	0.0003 UJ	0.0003 UJ	0.0003 UJ	0.0003 UJ	0.0005 UJ	0.0004 UJ	0.0005 UJ	0.0005 UJ	0.0004 UJ	
PCB-199	14.1	5.64	6.75	3.96	7.98	9.18	2.5	8.24	9.86	7.45	
PCB-200	0.711	0.356	0.252	0.223	0.519	0.494	0.176	0.413	0.606	0.463	
PCB-201	1.27	0.489	0.613	0.354	0.687	0.841	0.222	0.731	0.938	0.68	
PCB-202	1.78	0.821	0.864	0.534	1.16	1.24	0.372	1.12	1.49	1.13	
PCB-203	6.91	2.6	3.4	2.02	4.41	4.81	1.32	4.06	4.69	3.98	
PCB-204	0.0003 UJ	0.0003 UJ	0.0003 UJ	0.0003 UJ	0.0079 UJ	0.0005 UJ	0.0004 UJ	0.0005 UJ	0.0005 UJ	0.0004 UJ	
PCB-205	0.335	0.112	0.154	0.0821	0.177	0.179	0.0561	0.161	0.194	0.14	
PCB-206	3.17	1.39	2.41	0.969	2.06	2.7	0.593	2.16	2.64	2.1	
PCB-207	0.464	0.208	0.337	0.143	0.297	0.361	0.0929	0.337	0.359	0.276	
PCB-208	0.871	0.412	0.578	0.256	0.648	0.709	0.164	0.626	0.707	0.651	
PCB-209	0.489	0.301	0.552	0.161	0.464	0.619	0.132	0.472	0.456	0.413	
Monochlorobiphenyls	0.02	0.0073	0.0105	0.011	0.0048	0.0084	0.0133	0.0112	0.0132	0.0028	J
Dichlorobiphenyls	0.52	0.28	0.264	0.469	0.187	0.357	0.383	0.419	0.658	0.105	
Trichlorobiphenyls	18.2	7.67	5.85	6.91	4.69	8.32	7.78	12.6	22.8	2.68	
Tetrachlorobiphenyls	293	138	66.9	83.7	79.5	121	77.8	145	254	55.6	J
Pentachlorobiphenyls	448	201	111	120	187	184	96	184	302	129	
Hexachlorobiphenyls	381	158	128	111	218	201	77.3	184	278	173	
Heptachlorobiphenyls	169	61.2	53.5	42.4	82.6	80.3	24.3	75.5	95.2	66.6	
Octachlorobiphenyls	35.3	13.7	17.2	10.1	20.4	23.3	6.19	20.5	24.6	18.4	
Nonachlorobiphenyls	4.51	2.01	3.33	1.37	3.01	3.77	0.85	3.12	3.71	3.03	
Decachlorobiphenyl	0.49	0.301	0.552	0.161	0.464	0.619	0.132	0.472	0.456	0.413	
Total PCB	1350	582	387	376	596	624	291	625	982	448	

Notes for Table A-3:

Values **bolded** to represent detected chemicals

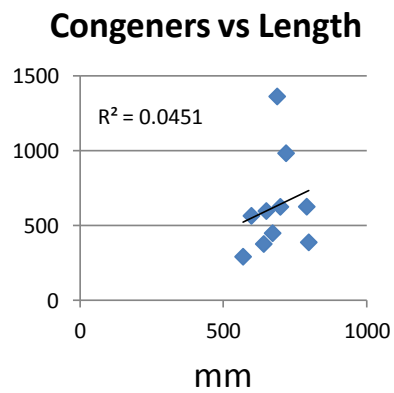
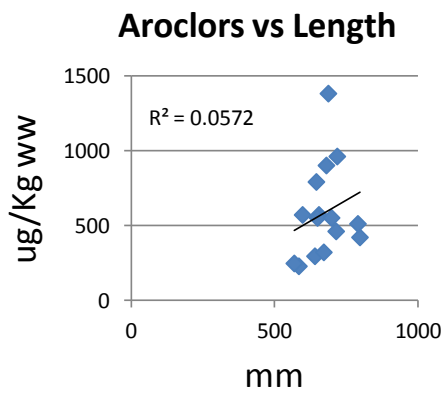
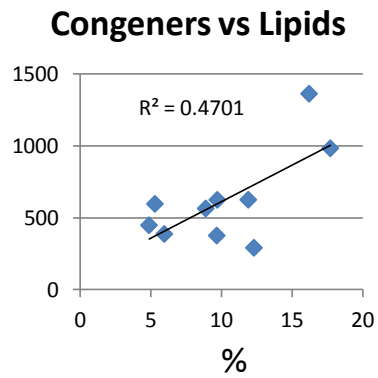
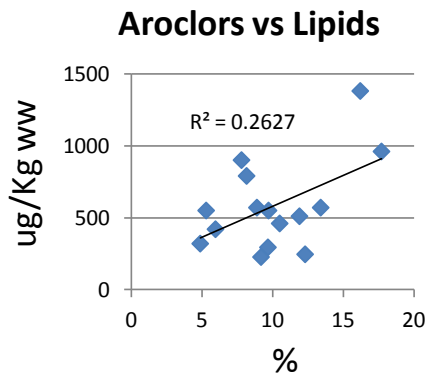
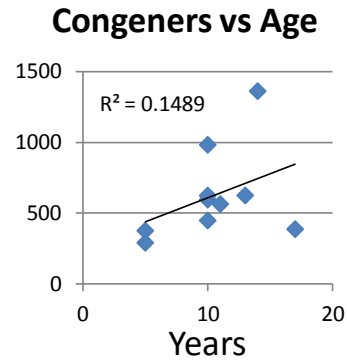
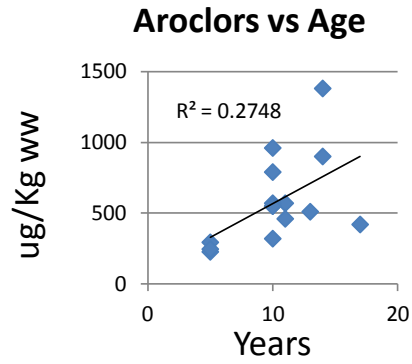
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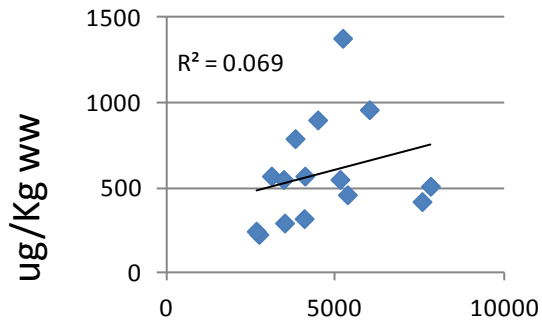
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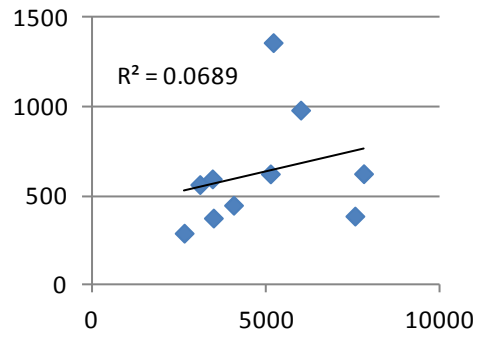
Appendix B. Data Correlations



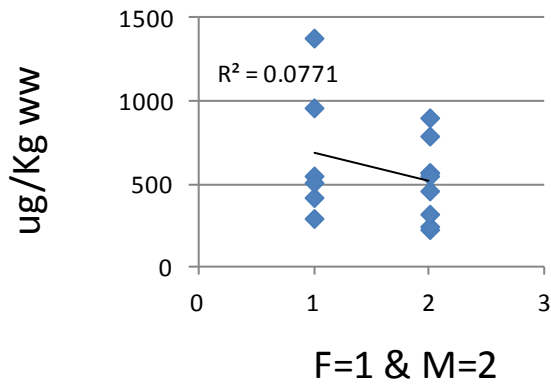
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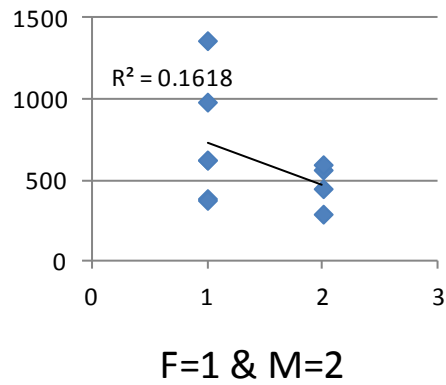
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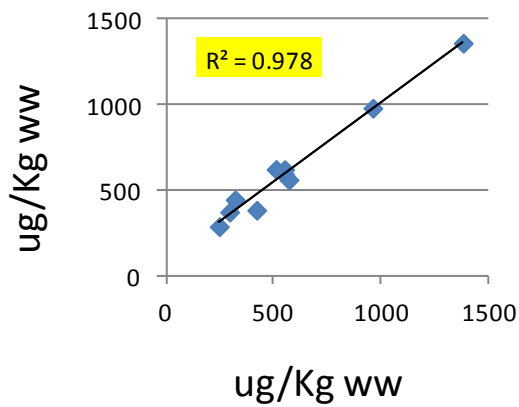
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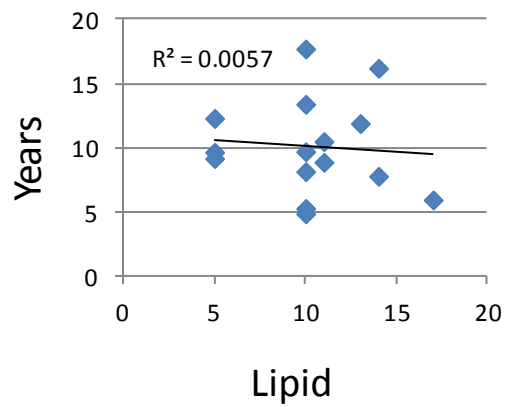
Congeners vs Sex



Aroclor vs Congener



Age vs Lipid



Appendix C. Glossary, Acronyms, and Abbreviations

Glossary

Clean Water Act: A federal act passed in 1972 that contains provisions to restore and maintain the quality of the nation's waters. Section 303(d) of the Clean Water Act establishes the TMDL program.

Dissolved oxygen (DO): A measure of the amount of oxygen dissolved in water.

Nonpoint source: Pollution that enters any waters of the state from any dispersed land-based or water-based activities, including but not limited to atmospheric deposition, surface-water runoff from agricultural lands, urban areas, or forest lands, subsurface or underground sources, or discharges from boats or marine vessels not otherwise regulated under the National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) program. Generally, any unconfined and diffuse source of contamination. Legally, any source of water pollution that does not meet the legal definition of "point source" in section 502(14) of the Clean Water Act.

Parameter: Water quality constituent being measured (analyte). A physical, chemical, or biological property whose values determine environmental characteristics or behavior.

Point source: Sources of pollution that discharge at a specific location from pipes, outfalls, and conveyance channels to a surface water. Examples of point source discharges include municipal wastewater treatment plants, municipal stormwater systems, industrial waste treatment facilities, and construction sites where more than 5 acres of land have been cleared.

Pollution: Contamination or other alteration of the physical, chemical, or biological properties of any waters of the state. This includes change in temperature, taste, color, turbidity, or odor of the waters. It also includes discharge of any liquid, gaseous, solid, radioactive, or other substance into any waters of the state. This definition assumes that these changes will, or are likely to, create a nuisance or render such waters harmful, detrimental, or injurious to (1) public health, safety, or welfare, or (2) domestic, commercial, industrial, agricultural, recreational, or other legitimate beneficial uses, or (3) livestock, wild animals, birds, fish, or other aquatic life.

Surface waters of the state: Lakes, rivers, ponds, streams, inland waters, salt waters, wetlands and all other surface waters and water courses within the jurisdiction of Washington State.

Total Maximum Daily Load (TMDL): Water cleanup plan. A distribution of a substance in a waterbody designed to protect it from not meeting (exceeding) water quality standards. A TMDL is equal to the sum of all of the following: (1) individual wasteload allocations for point sources, (2) the load allocations for nonpoint sources, (3) the contribution of natural sources, and (4) a Margin of Safety to allow for uncertainty in the wasteload determination. A reserve for future growth is also generally provided.

Watershed: A drainage area or basin in which all land and water areas drain or flow toward a central collector such as a stream, river, or lake at a lower elevation.

303(d) list: Section 303(d) of the federal Clean Water Act requires Washington State to periodically prepare a list of all surface waters in the state for which beneficial uses of the water – such as for drinking, recreation, aquatic habitat, and industrial use – are impaired by pollutants. These are water quality-limited estuaries, lakes, and streams that fall short of state surface water quality standards and are not expected to improve within the next two years.

Acronyms and Abbreviations

Ecology	Washington State Department of Ecology
EIM	Environmental Information Management database
EPA	U.S. Environmental Protection Agency
MEL	Manchester Environmental Laboratory
PCB	Polychlorinated Biphenyl
RPD	Relative percent difference
SOP	Standard operating procedures
TMDL	(See Glossary above)
WRIA	Water Resource Inventory Area

Units of Measurement

g	gram, a unit of mass
kg	kilograms, a unit of mass equal to 1,000 grams
mm	millimeters
ug	microgram
ug/Kg	micrograms per kilogram (parts per billion)