

Cooperative Watershed Studies to Develop Water Cleanup Plans for Sinclair and Dyes Inlets, Washington



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- **Background on Project ENVVEST**
- **Fecal Coliform TMDL for Sinclair/Dyes**
- **Modeling Studies**
- **Sediment Metals Verification Study**
- **Biota Studies**

Primary Motivation

- **Navy:**

- Impact on Navy cost, operations, and flexibility
- Opportunity to assure effective and efficient regulations.

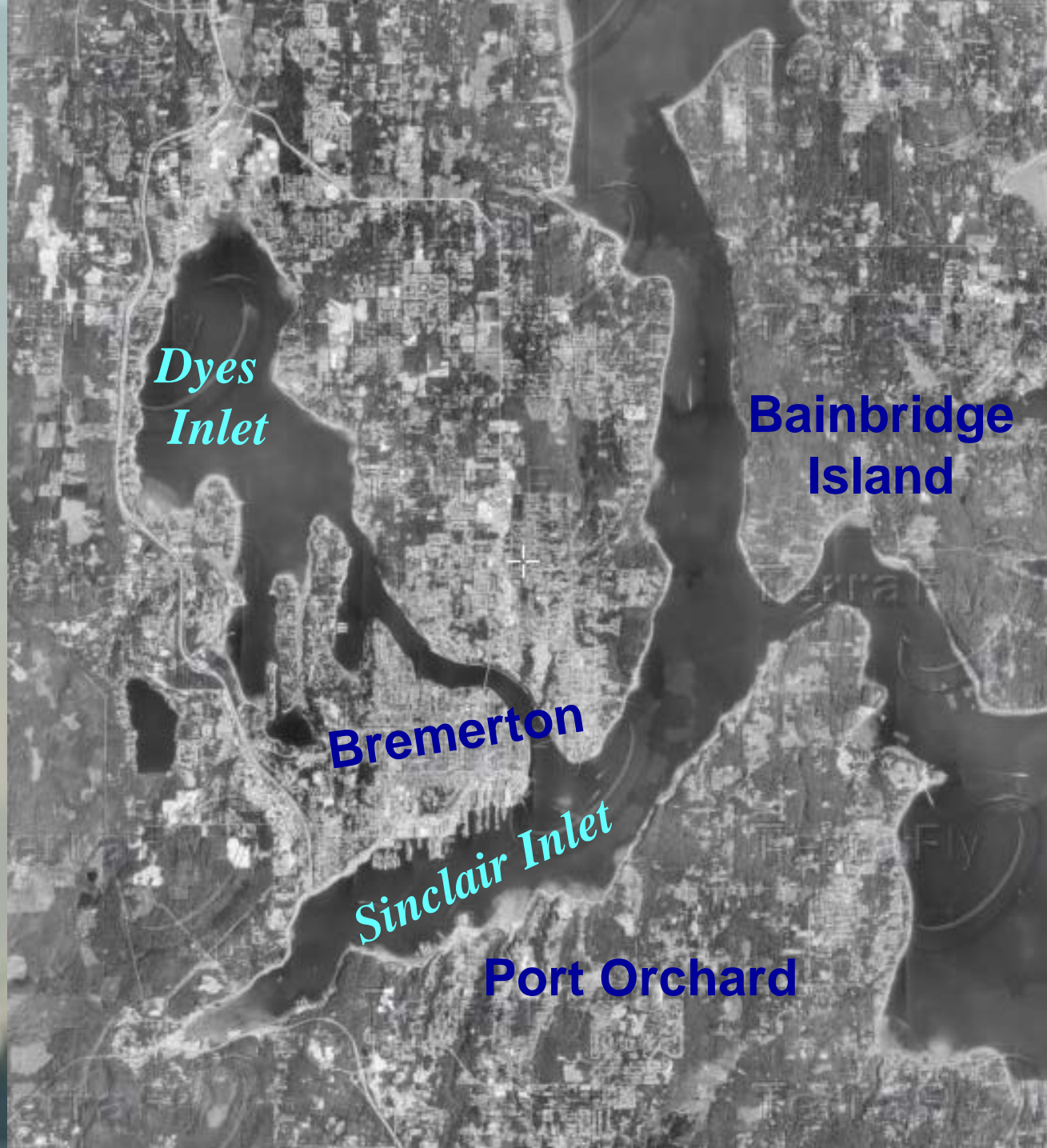
- **Agencies:**

- More defensible position
- More resources to address problems

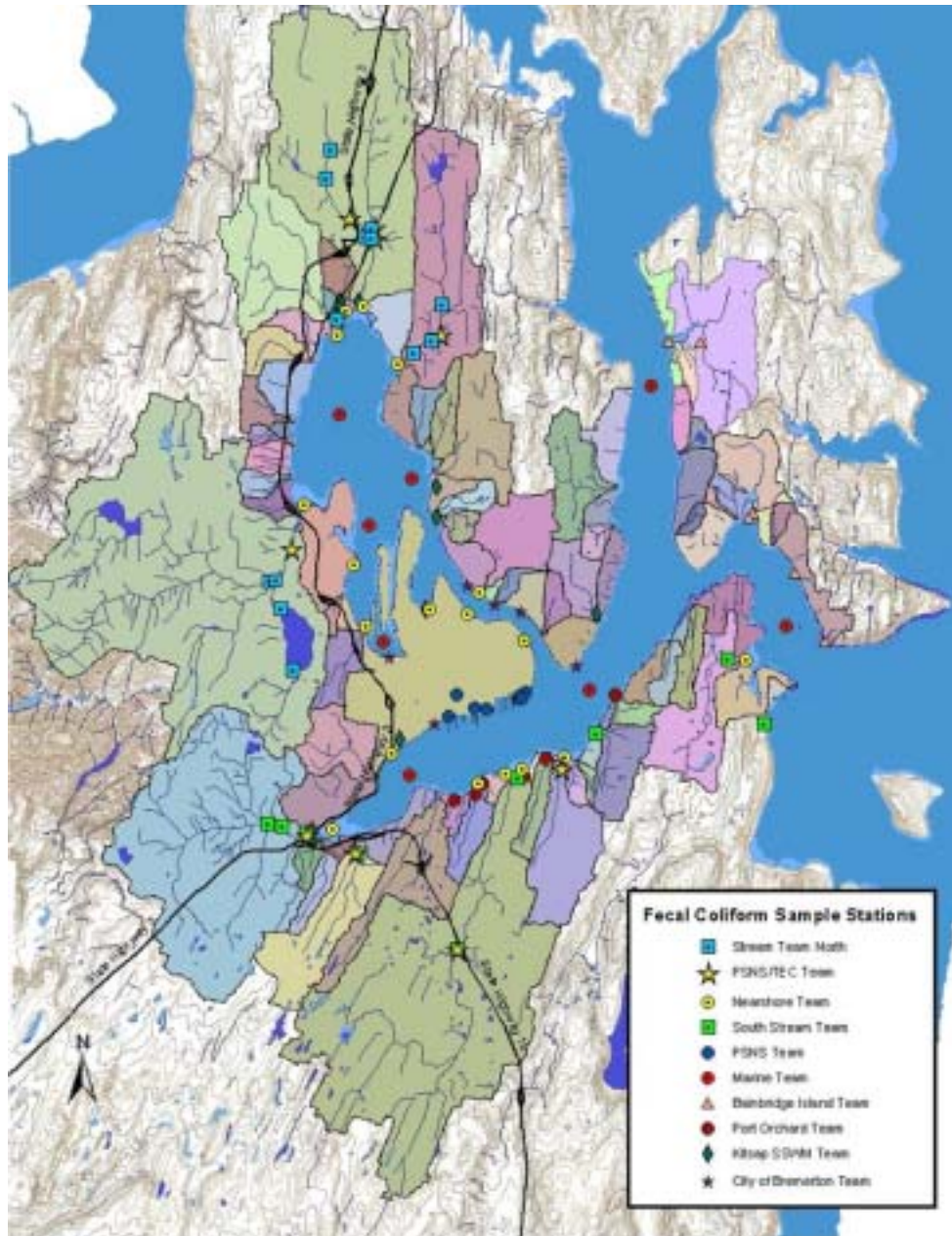


Study Area

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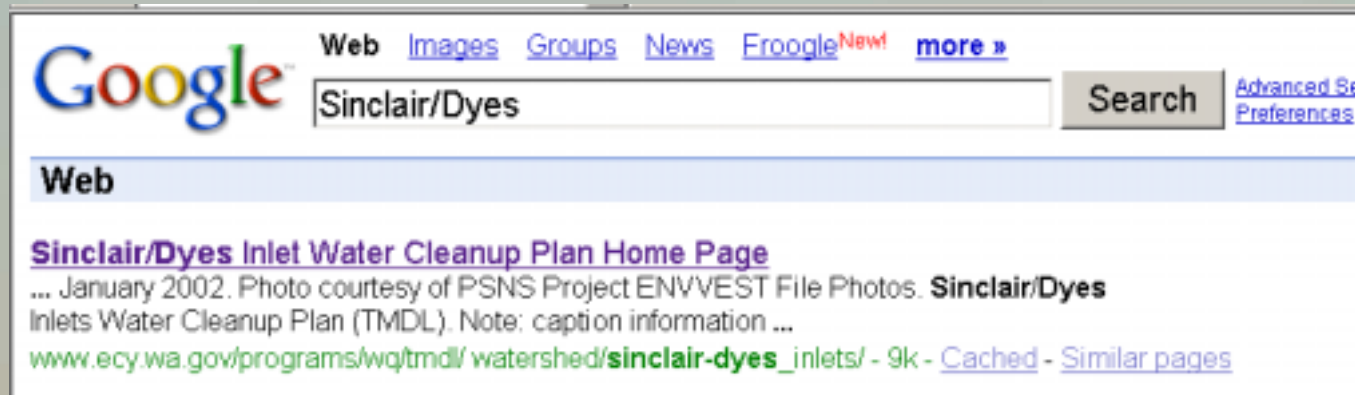


FC TMDL for Sinclair/Dyes Inlet



- Cooperative study with involved stakeholders
- Collecting critical data needed for TMDL
- Developing consensus on technical approach and implementation needs
- Will lead to water cleanup plan and improved environmental quality for Inlets

http://www.ecy.wa.gov/programs/wq/tmdl/watershed/sinclair-dyes_inlets/index.html



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Modeling Studies

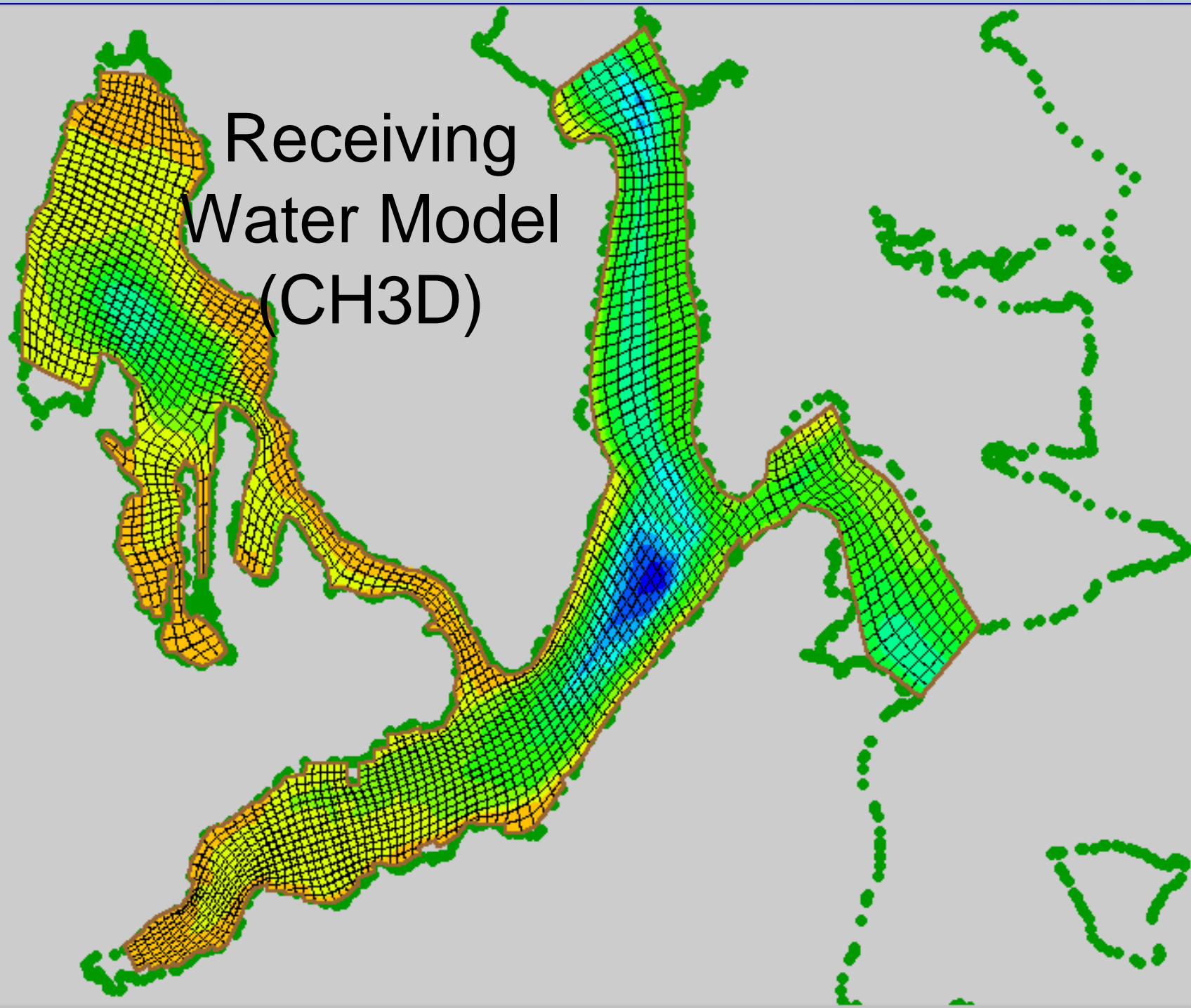
- Developed models for simulating runoff and loading from the watershed
- Bremerton's elimination CSOs and the ability to simulate FC fate and transport in the Inlets resulted in the re-opening of **1500 acres** of shellfish beds in Dyes Inlet
- The integrated watershed-receiving water model is being verified so that the models can be used to simulate waste load allocation (WLA) and load allocation (LA) targets needed for the TMDL

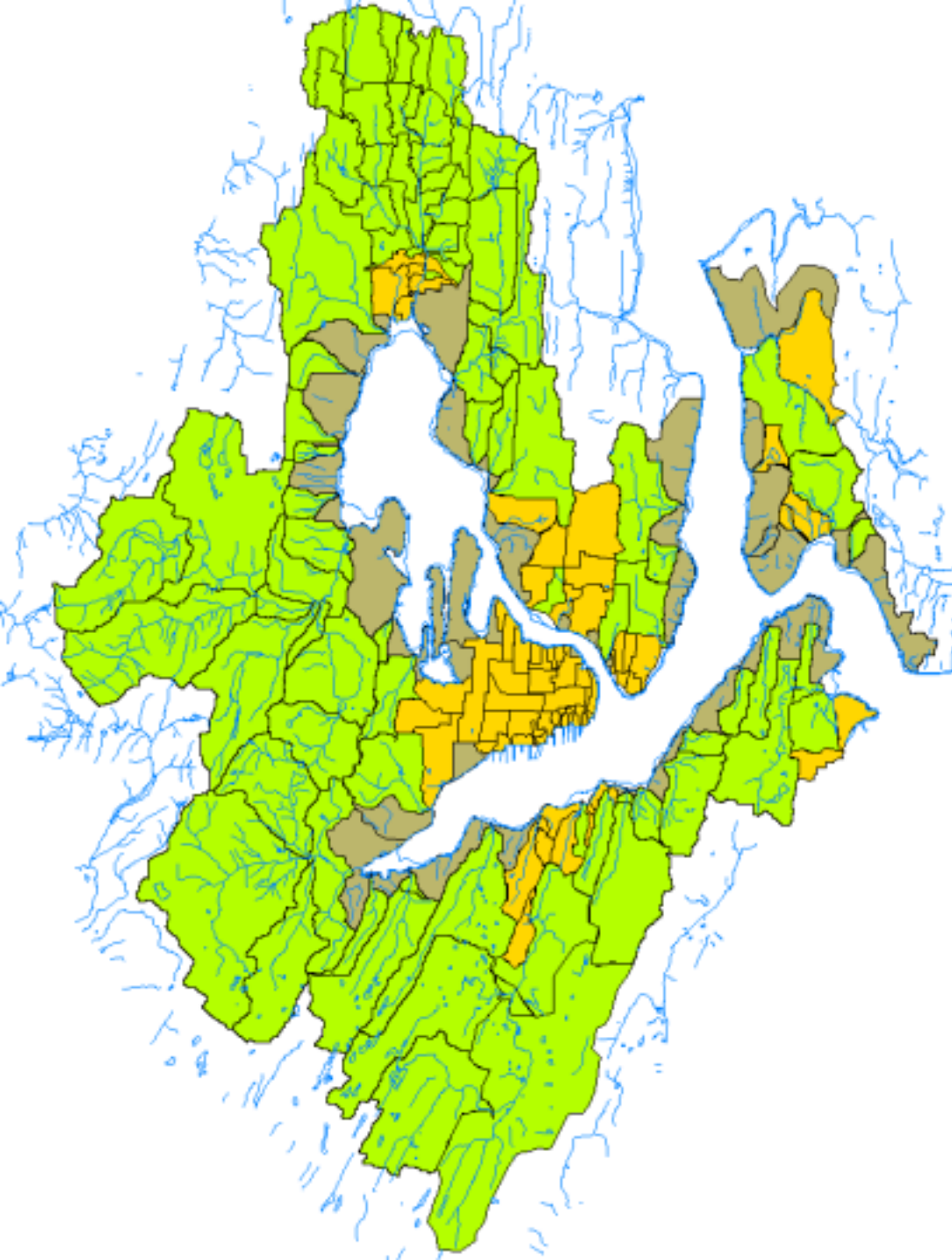
FIGURE #4

NORTHERN DYES INLET
PROPOSED CLASSIFICATION BOUNDARIES



Receiving Water Model (CH3D)





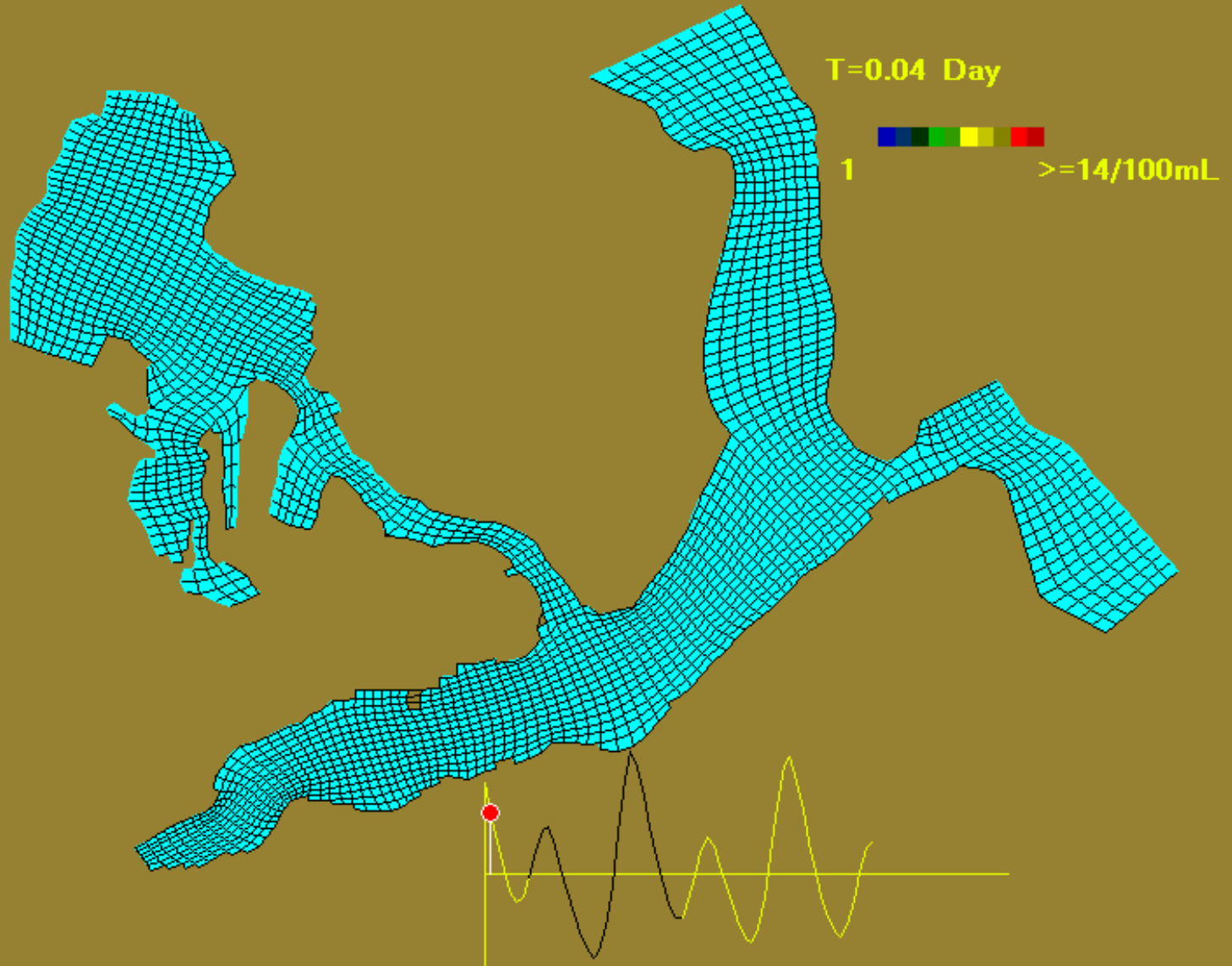
Watershed Model – HSPF

Simulations:

1. FC discharge from 12 major streams during a 2-year storm event (2.7" rain/24hr)
2. + Combined Sewer Overflow

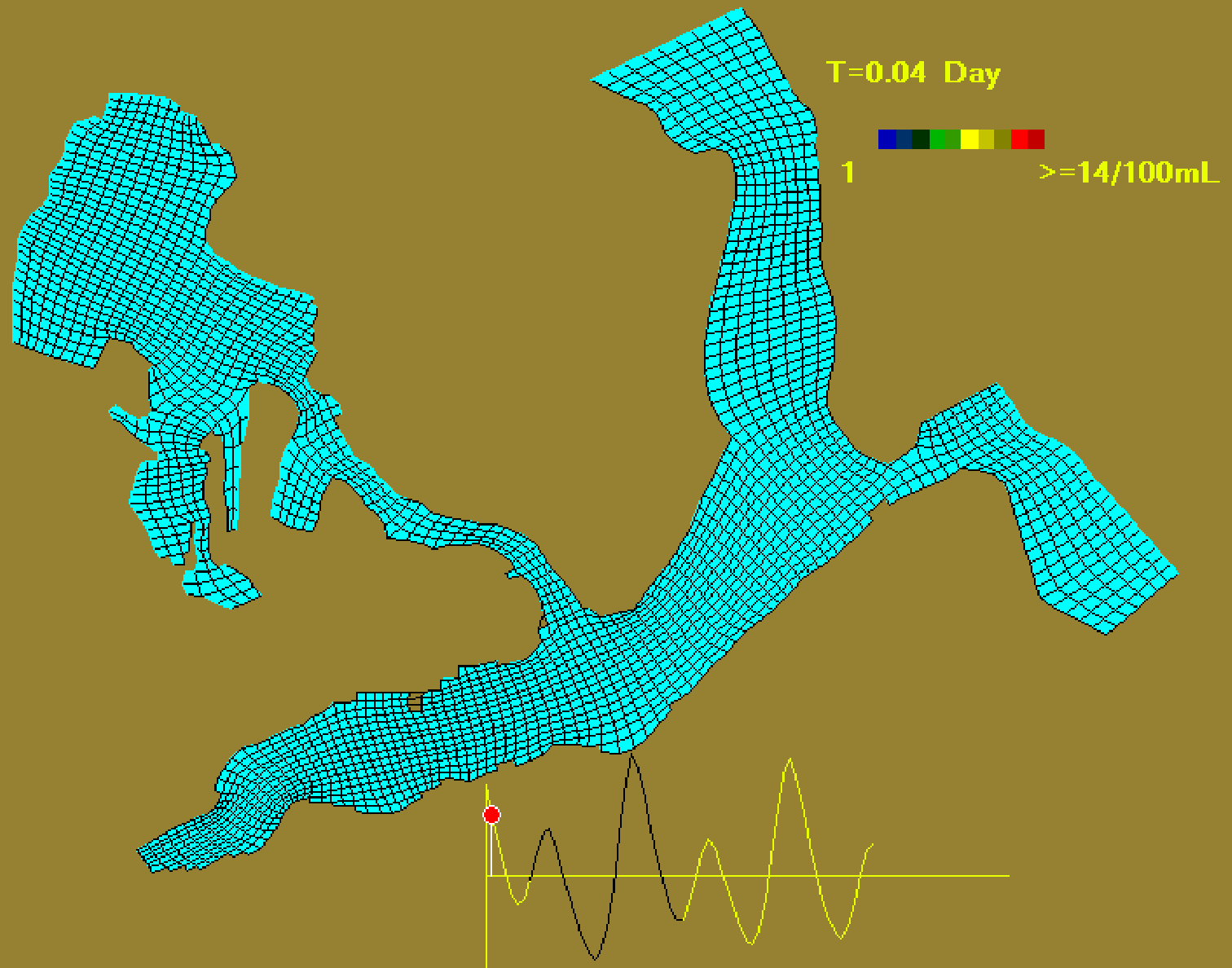
Stream Discharge

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Stream Discharge and CSO Event

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Sediment Studies



- Metals Verification Study
 - Synoptic sampling of Sinclair and Dyes Inlets.
 - Screening with confirmation
 - Basis for delisting

Biota Studies



- **Contaminants in bottom fish and invertebrates**
 - 8 species from Sinclair Inlet and reference areas
 - Tissues analyzed for metals, PCBs, and pesticides



- **Concentrations compared to reference and Ecological Benchmarks**
 - Copper
 - Mercury
 - PCBs

Puget Sound Ambient Monitoring 2003 Demersal Fish Surveys



Species and Analytes

Number (No.) of samples to be analyzed						Analyses to be Conducted					
Sinclair Inlet		Nisqually		Strait of Georgia		Port Gardner		PCB ¹	PAH	Hg ²	Metals ³
Species	No.	Species	No.	Species	No.	Species	No.				
Sand Sole	3					Sand Sole	3	X		X	X
Rock sole	3	Rock sole	3					X		X	X
Sea cucumber	6			Sea cucumber	6			X		X	X
Staghorn sculpin	2			Staghorn sculpin	3			X		X	X
Shiner surfperch	3	Shiner surfperch	2					X		X	X
Cancer gracilis	3	Cancer gracilis	3					X		X	X
Ratfish	6			Ratfish	6			X		X	X
English sole	3			English sole	3						X
English sole*	5										X

Link to sample photos and station locations

* Carcus and viscera split with WDFW

1. NOAA 18 congeners, Dieldrin, and Aldrin

2. Total Hg

3. Ag, As, Cd, Cr, Cu, Fe, Ni, Pb, Zn

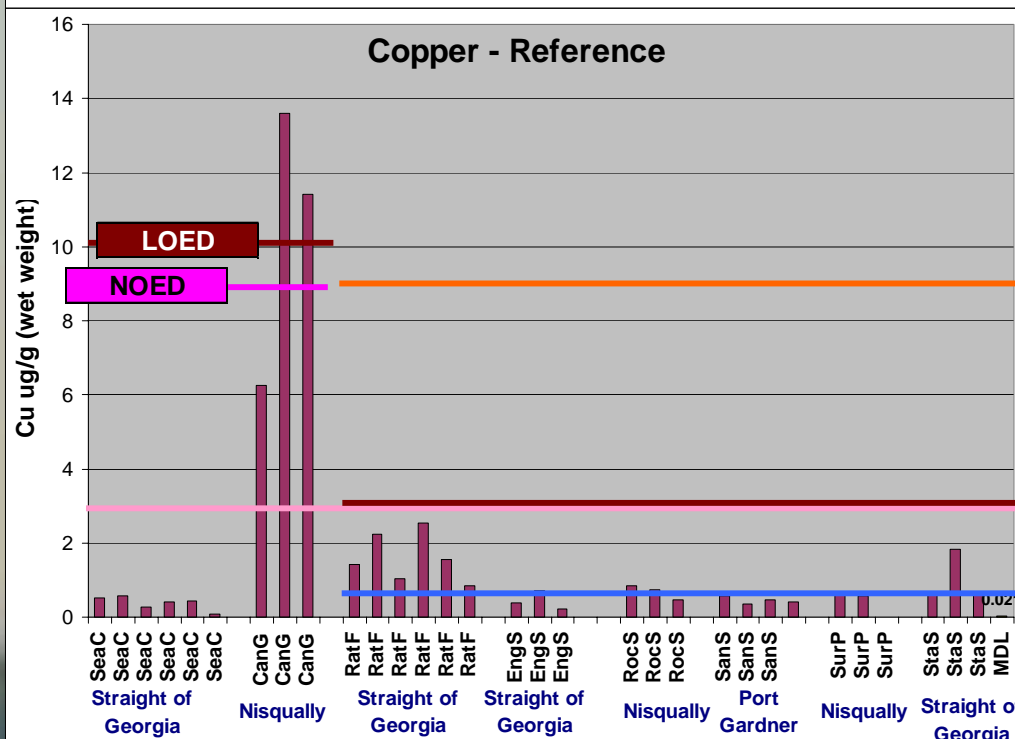
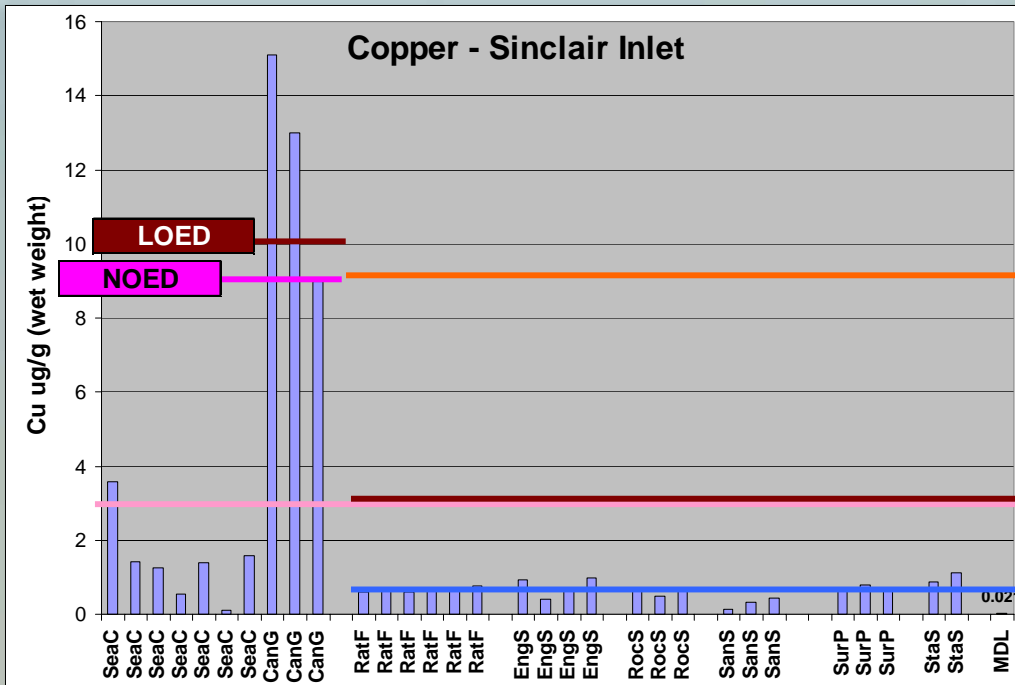
Summary of Tissue Residue Benchmarks

Benchmark	Applicable Endpoints	Comment
TSV	Aquatic Organisms	Very conservative safety factor
B _{CV}	Marine Organisms	Tissue residue above which suggests WQC exceeded
NOED	Demersal Fish Invertebrates	Tissue residue below which effects will probably not occur
LOED	Demersal Fish Invertebrates	Tissue residue above which effects may occur
Dietary	Omnivore – Black Duck Piscivore – Osprey Mammal – Harbor Seal	Concentration in diet below which effects will probably not occur

Copper Concentrations

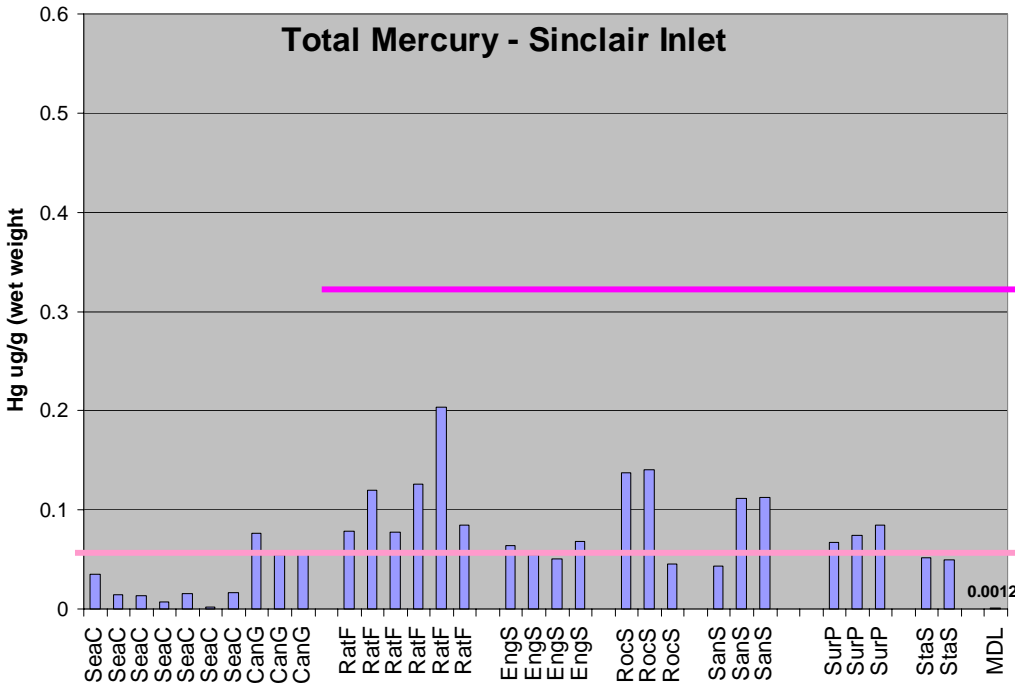
Ecological Benchmarks (Cu)		
	Fish	Invert.
	ug/g wet	ug/g wet
TSV	3.00	3.00
Bcv	0.62	62.00
NOED	0.34*	9.00
LOED	3.40	10.13
Harbor Seal	68.25	68.25
Osprey	9.22	na
Black Duck	18.44	18.44

* NOED = LOED/10



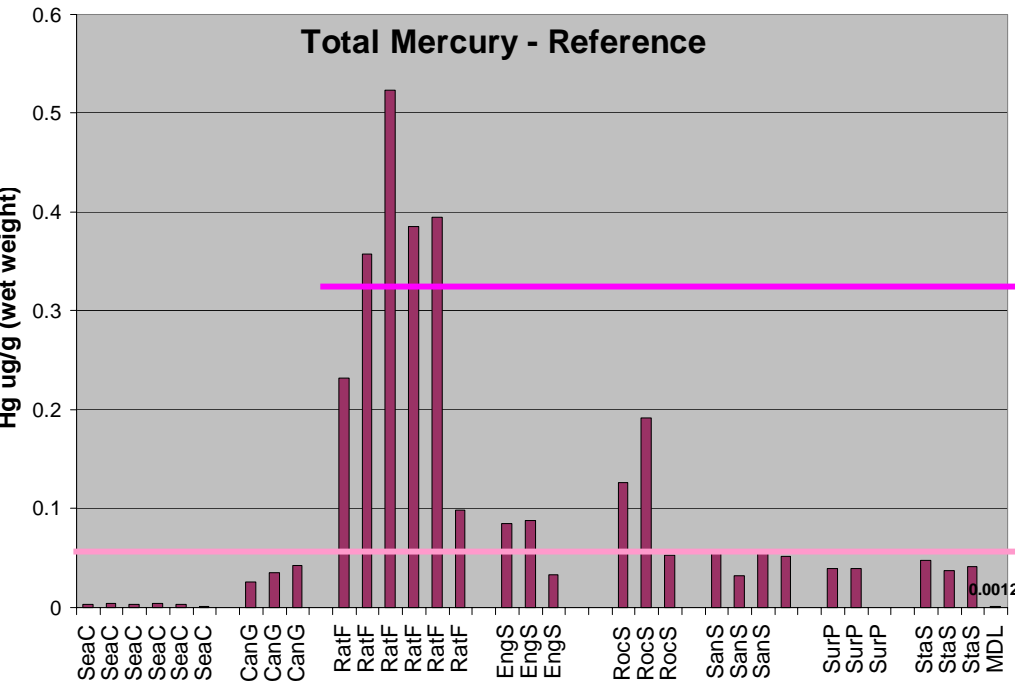
Mercury Tissue Concentrations

Ecological Benchmarks Total Hg		
	Fish	Invert.
	ug/g wet	ug/g wet
TSV	0.06	0.06
Bcv	4.69	19.65
NOED	0.32	1.64
LOED	1.31	6.00
Harbor Seal	5.83	5.83
Osprey	2.50	na
Black Duck	5.00	5.00



NOED

TSV

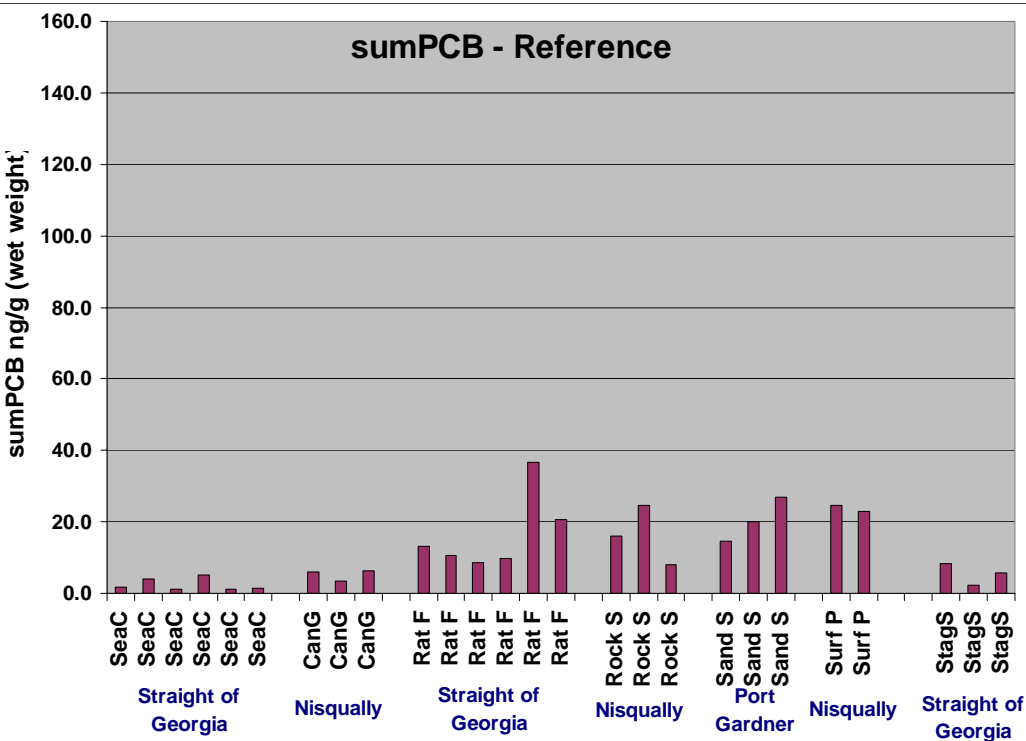
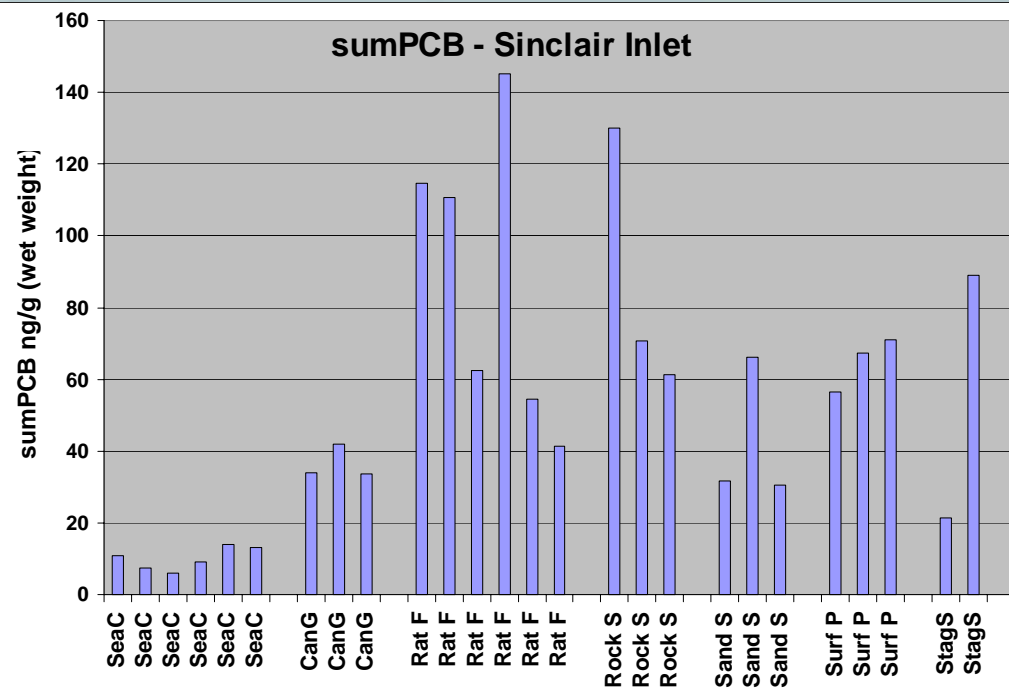


NOED

TSV

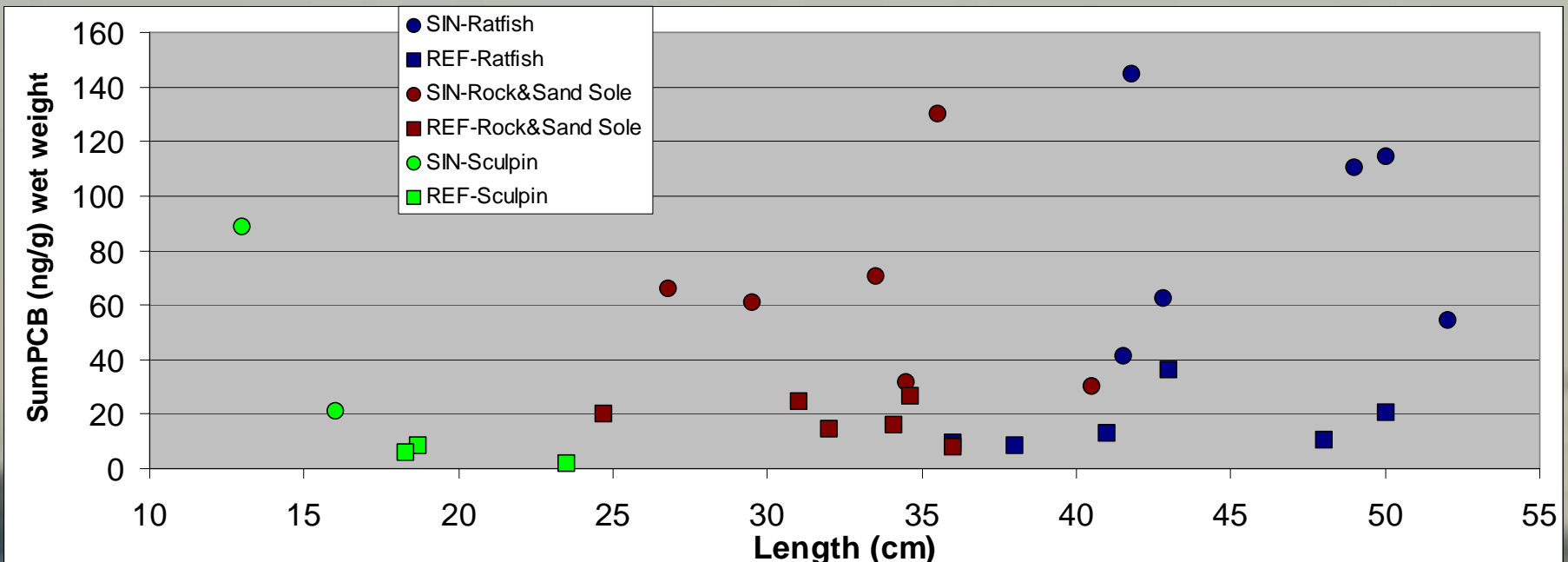
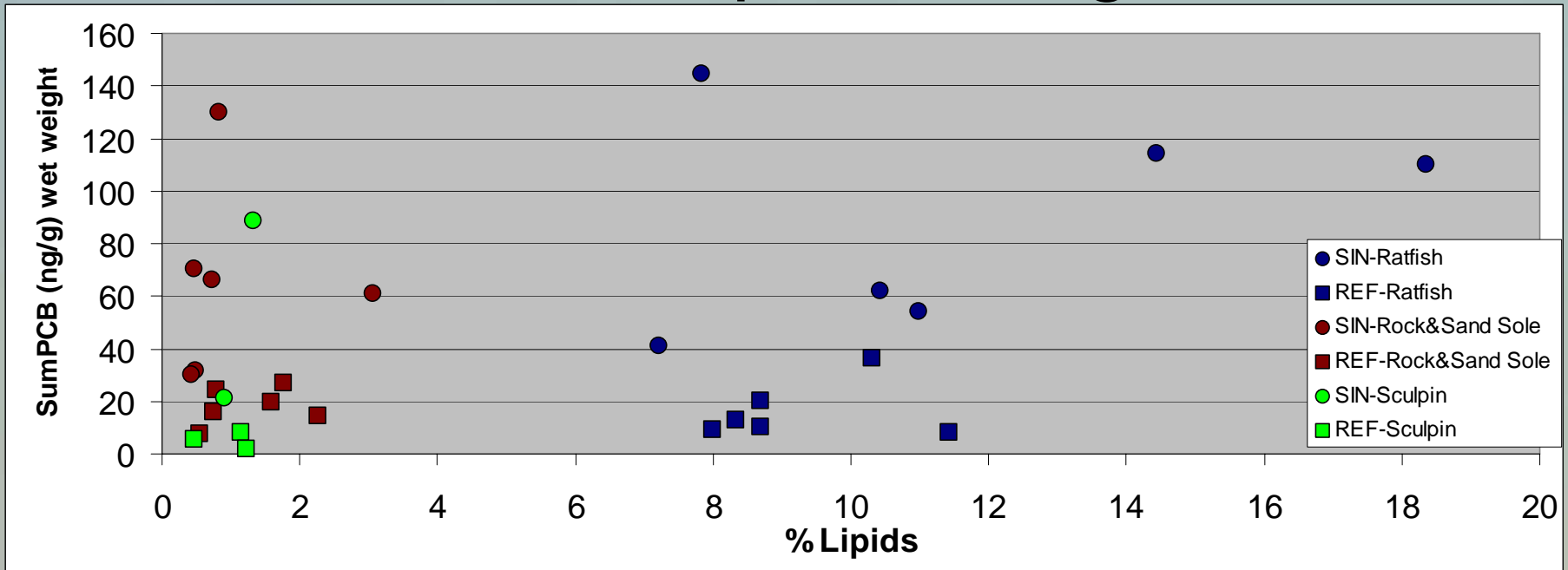
Straight of Georgia Nisqually Strait of Georgia Nisqually Port Gardner Nisqually Strait of Georgia

PCB Tissue Concentrations



Ecological Benchmarks (sumPCB)		
	Fish	Invert.
	ug/g wet	ug/g wet
TSV	218	218
Bcv	3038	468
NOED	750	375
LOED	900	688
Harbor Seal	400	400
Osprey	500	na
Black Duck	1000	1000

PCB vs Lipid & Length



PCBs in Salmon Tissue

Global Assessment of Organic Contaminants in Farmed Salmon

Ronald A. Hites, et al. *Science* Jan 9 2004: 226-229.

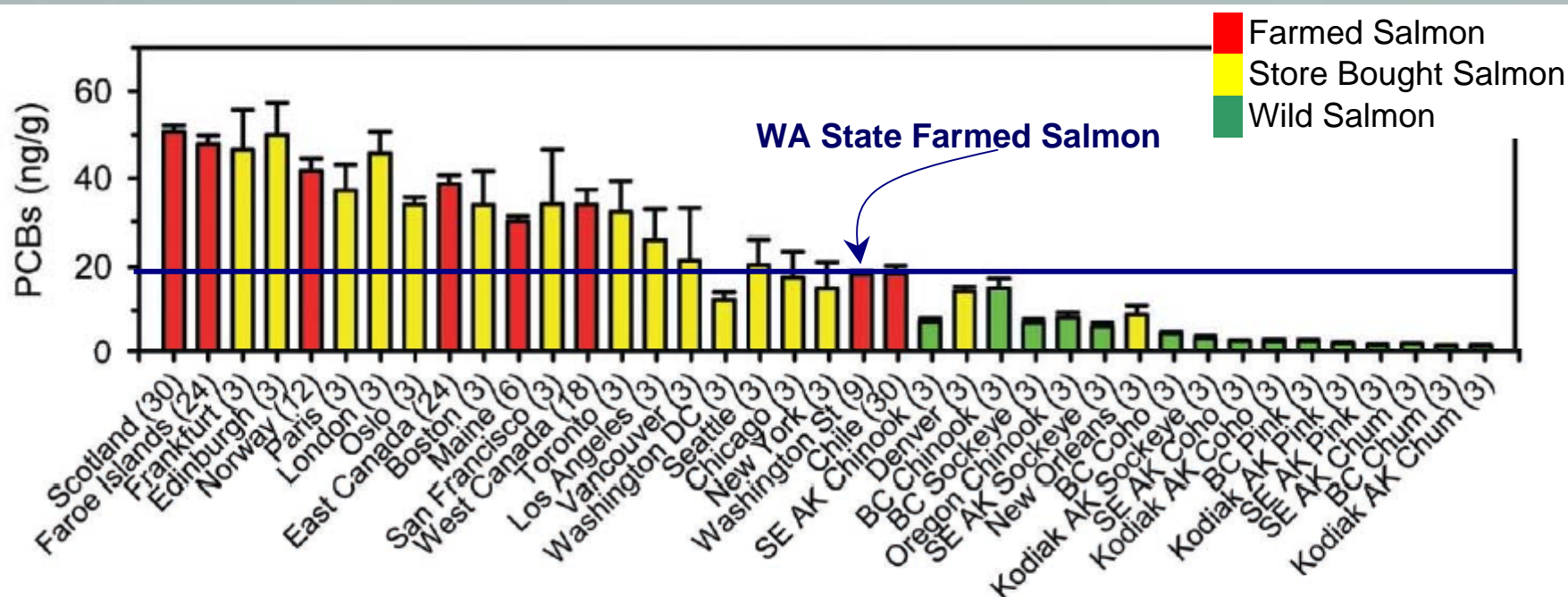
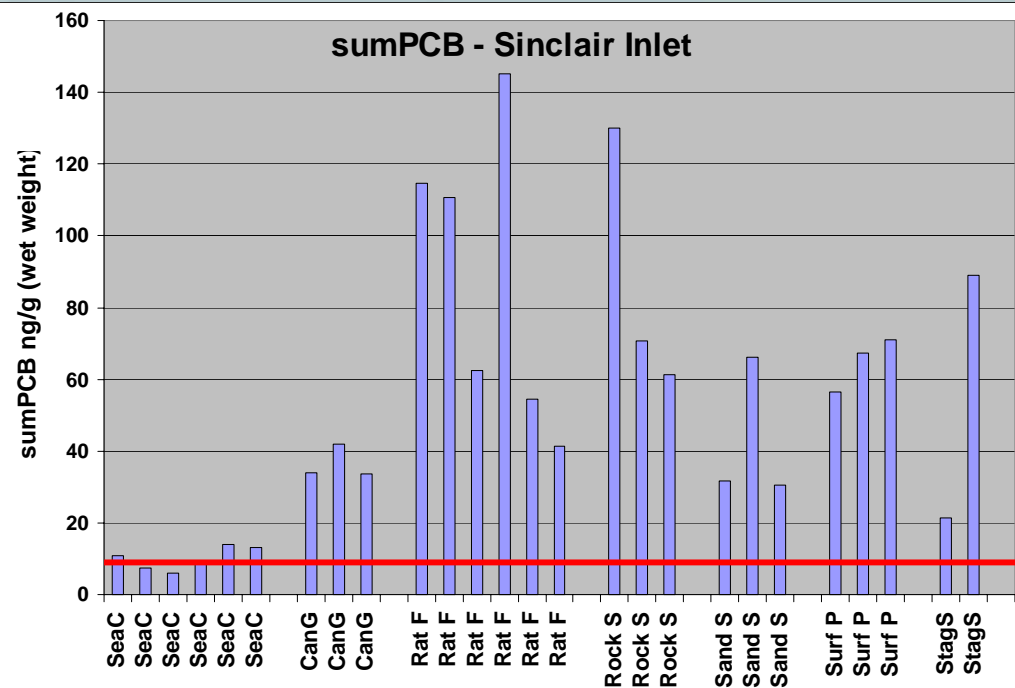
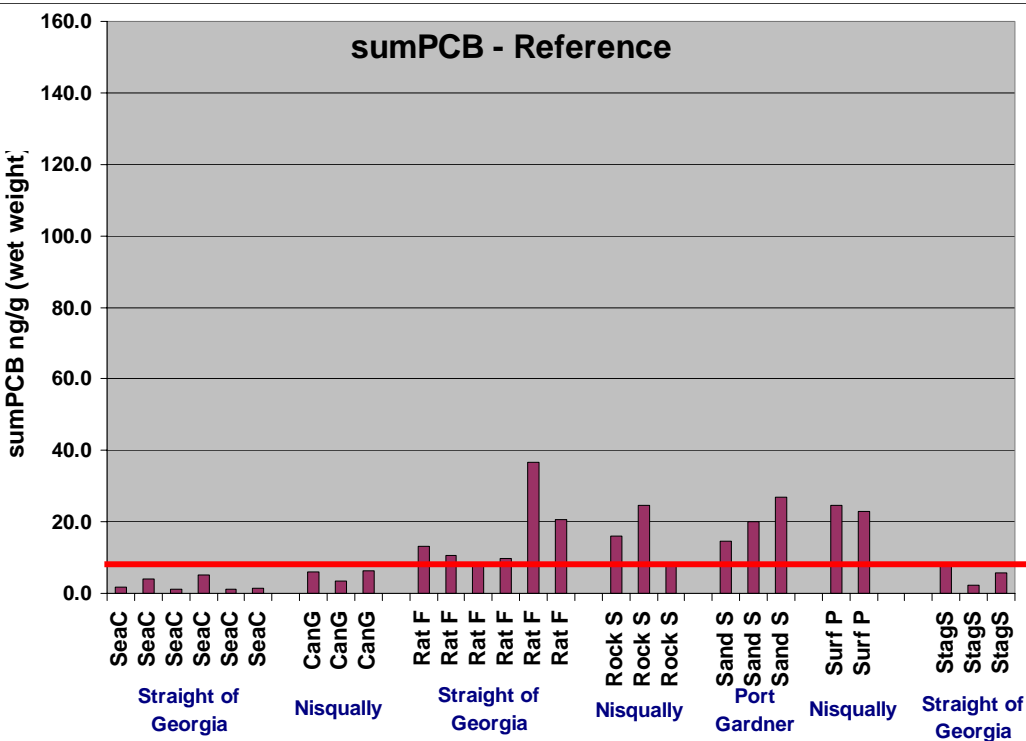


Fig. 2. Concentrations of (A) PCBs in ng/g wet weight, (B) dioxins (for detail, see Fig. 1) in pg of

Total PCB sum of 209 congeners (Method 1668A)
Filets with skin on



Farm Raised Salmon Filet 9.5 ng/g wet



Farm Raised Salmon Filet 9.5 ng/g wet

ENVVEST Schedule

PSNS & IMF Project ENVVEST Overall Schedule																																	
Calendar Year		2000				2001				2002				2003				2004				2005				2006				2007			
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Plan																																	
K ENVVEST Public Kickoff Meeting																																	
FPA Final Project Agreement Signed (Sept. 2000)																																	

Summary

- Pool resources and data to get a better product.
- Watershed approach facilitates partnering.
- Much better chance for successful implementation.
- Compliance with Clean Water Act will cost less and do more.

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A scenic view of a harbor or bay. In the background, a large green gantry crane stands prominently against a sky filled with soft, white clouds. Below the crane, a cityscape with various buildings and structures is visible along the waterfront. A person is standing in the shallow water in the middle ground. The foreground features a calm body of water reflecting the sky, with a dark, rocky shoreline on the right side. The overall atmosphere is peaceful and scenic.

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