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# Water Quality Model Of The Lower Fox River, Wisconsin

### ABSTRACT

A mathematical model describing the interrelationship between the dissolved oxygen concentration of a river and its various sources and sinks has been adapted for use in a study of the Lower Fox River in Wisconsin. The analysis assumes steady-state conditions and describes the longitudinal distribution of dissolved oxygen in the river from Neenah-Menasha to Green Bay, a distance of approximately 40 miles (64.4 km).

The model was verified for various conditions of waste loading, river temperature, and river flow. The model was then used to evaluate the effect on watch quality of implementing interim hest practicable control technology officient limitations for industrial dischargers and 90 percent BOD repoval from municipal waste cources, as an estimate of levels of treatment required by the 1972 Amendments to the Federal Water Pollution Control Act and by orders issued by the Misconsin DNR, respectively. The study indicated that implementation of the above offluent limits will result in a significant improvement in water quality in the Lever Fox River. A daily average dissolved oxygen concentration of 4 to 5 mg/l will be maintained under most flow conditions. During an extreme low flow and high temperature situation, the dissolved oxygen concentration could drop to 2 to 3 mg/l.

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# NOMENCLATURE

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α	=	coefficient of dam reservation	
A	=	river cross-sectional area	(ft <sup>2</sup> )
C	=	concentration of dissol/cd oxygen	(mg/l)
⊏a	=	dissolved oxygen above a dam	(mg/1)
Ե	=	dissolved oxygen below a dam	(mg/1)
ch]-a	=	concentration of chlorophyll-a	(mg/1)
۲ <sub>5</sub>	=	saturation value of dissolved exygen	(mg/1)
D	=	deficit of dissolved oxygen	(mg/l)
Da	=	deficit of dissolved exygen above a dam	(mg/l)
Db	=	deficit of dissolved oxygen below a dam	(mg/1)
D <sub>o</sub>	=	initial dissolved cxygen deficit	(mg/1)
F	=	percent of the river hotto covered by sludge deposits	(decimal)
Н	=	average river depth	(ft)
н <sub>d</sub>	=	height through which water falls over a dam	(ft)
ĸa	E	reaeration coefficient	(1/day)
Кd	=	deoxygenation coefficient	(1/day)
ĸ'n	=	first order NBOD decay coefficient	(1/day)
Kr	=	first order CBOD decay coefficient	(1/day)
٢	2	carbonaceous BOD (CAOD) distribution	(mg/1)
Lo	=	initial carbonaceous 802	(mg/1)
N	=	nitrogenous BOD (NEOD) distribution	(mg/1)
Ρ	=	gross photosynthetic dissolved oxygen production	(mg 0 <sub>2</sub> /1-day)
, P	=	period of algal photosynthesis, i.e., period of daylight	(days)
Pav	=	average daily photosynthetic exygen production	(mg/1-day)
Q	=	river flow rate	(⊏fs)
R	=	algal dissolved oxygen requiration	(mg 0 <sub>2</sub> /1-day)
2	-	benthic axygen apiala (an inter (an it)	(gm 0 <sub>Z</sub> /m <sup>2</sup> -day)
51	=	benthic oxygan untrie conffiction (unlumetric)	(mg 0 <sub>2</sub> /1-day)
Т	=	river temperature	(°C)
t	=	tive of travel	(days)
u	=	average cliver voi alty	(ft/sec)
Wd	=	dissolved explore to find the second tributary	(lhs/day)
x	=	distance do a to a	(miles)
×ď	=	spatial control :	(miles)

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### INTRODUCTION

Gross water pollution has existed in the Lower Fox River and Green Bay, Wisconsin for a number of years. Concentrated in this basin are eight urban areas and nineteen pulp and paper manufacturers that make intensive use of the river for disposal and assimilation of wastes. The lower river, approximately 40 miles (69.4 km) in length, flows in a northeasterly direction through a series of 18 locks and dams used for navigation and hydroelectric purposes. The drainage area of the basin is 419 square miles (1085 sq. km). (See figure 1)

Because of the continuing gross water pollution in the river, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources (DNR) initiated a series of enforcement actions against the various industrial and municipal waste dischargers in the Lower Fox River basin. The Wisconsin DNR has issued orders requiring municipal waste sources to remove 90% of the biochemical ox gue demand contained in their waste influents. The 1972 Amendments to the Federal Water Pollution Control Act provide that municipalities shall provide, as a minimum, secondary treatment, and industries shall achieve "best practicable control technology" (BPT) by no later than 1977. Under the Act, EPA is required to define final effluent guidelines representing BPT by October 1973. The effluent limits for industrial dischargers used in this report and summarized in Table 5 were derived from interim guidelines in use by Fig in early 1973 which were BOD removal for mynicipalities and the incustrial limitations in Table 5 are referred throughout this report as the "control offluent limitations." The 1972 Amendments also require that in difficien to meeting the municipal and





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N I industrial guidelines, the water quality standards must be met. For the Fox River upstream of the upper dam at Appleton, the water quality standards provide for all water uses including fish and aquatic life and recreational use. These uses require among other parameters that the dissolved oxygen shall not be lowered to less than 5.0 mg/l at any time. The Fox River from the upper dam at Appleton downstream to the Village of Wrightstown shall meet all standards except that the dissolveo oxygen shall not be lowered to less than 3.0 mg/l during any consecutive 8 hours of a 24-hour period nor to less than 5.0 mg/l for the remainder of the day. The Fox River below the Village of Wrightstown downstream to the mouth shall meet all standards except that the dissolved oxygen shall not be lowered to less than 2.0 mg/l at any time.

In 1969, the engineering firm of Quirk, Lawler, and Matusky (QLM) developed a model of the river for the Wisconsin DNR. The data base used for verification of this model was not as complete as that presently available. Extensive river surveys performed during the summers of 1971 and 1972 have accumulated enough new data to allow a better estimate of certain parameters and thus permit the development of an updated model for the Lower Fox River.

The purpose of the work presented here was to evaluate the effect on the water quality of the Lower Fox River of implementing the proposed effluent limitations for industrial and municipal sources and to evaluate if these control levels would achieve existing water quality standards.

The scope of the study was limited to developing a steady-state, onedimensional model based on available data and using an existing computer program. A discussion of the theoretical background is presented first, followed by a description of the development and verification of the model. An evaluation of the effect of the proposed  $\pi \mathcal{O} = 0$  limitations on water quality in the Lower Fox River is then presented

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### MODEL DEVELOPMENT

## Theory

The dissolved oxygen concentration of a natural water system indicates the general "health" of a stream, and its ability, or inability, to maintain a diverse population of fish and aquatic life. The conservation of mass forms the basis for the fundamental relationships which describe the temporal and spatial distribution of dissolved oxygen in the natural water system. Both the net flux into and the effect of various sources and sinks within a unit volume of water determine the change in dissolved oxygen concentration with time. For a fresh water river such as the Lower Fox, the advective component of the flux is much more significant than the dispersive component. Hence, the dispersive term was neglected in the development of the model.

An understanding of the overall effect of the complex interactions among the system parameters can be gained by modeling the interrelationship between the various sources and sinks and the dissolved oxygen concentration in the river. The specific equation is developed by a mass balance employing the continuity equation and takes the following form: (Thomann, 1972)

$$\frac{\partial c}{\partial t} = -\frac{1}{A} \frac{\partial (Qc)}{\partial x} - K_{d}L - K_{n}N + K_{a} (C_{s}-C)$$
(1)  
$$- S^{1}(x,t) + P(x,t) - R(x,t) + K_{a}(C_{a} - C_{b})$$

in which

A = river cross-sectional area (ft<sup>2</sup>)
C = concentration of dissolved oxygen (Do) (mg/l)
C<sub>a</sub> = dissolved oxygen above a dam (mg/l)

Cb = dissolved oxygen below a dam (mg/l) Cs = saturation value of dissolved oxygen (mg/l) Ka = reaeration coefficient (l/day) Kd = deoxygenation coefficient (l/day) Kn = first order NBOD decay coefficient (l/day) L = carbonaceous BOD (CBOD) distribution (mg/l) N = nitrogenous BOD (NBOD) distribution (mg/l) P = gross photosynthetic dissolved oxygen production (mg/l-day) Q = river flow rate (cfs) R = algal dissolved oxygen respiration (mg/l-day) S<sup>1</sup> = benthic oxygen uptake coefficient (volumetric) (mg/l-day) t = time (days) x = distance downstream (miles)

In equation (1), the concentration of dissolved oxygen is assumed to be uniform in the lateral and vertical planes. The sources and sinks may be functions of their own concentrations or the concentration of another substance.

It is usually more convenient to introduce the dissolved oxygen deficit into the equations since all values will then be referenced to a zero dissolved oxygen deficit, the saturation value of dissolved oxygen. If D, the dissolved oxygen deficit ( $D=C_S-C$ ) is substituted into equation (1) and if steady state conditions are assumed (i.e., no change in point source waste loadings with time), the solution is as follows, given the appropriate boundary conditions ( $D=D_O$  at x=0) (Thomann, 1972):

$$D(x) = \left(\frac{Wd}{Q} + D_{o}\right) \exp\left(-K_{a} x/u\right)$$
(2a)

+ 
$$\frac{K_{d} L_{D}}{K_{a} - K_{r}} [exp( - K_{r} x/u) - exp( - K_{a} x/u)]$$
 (2b)

$$+ \frac{R}{K_a} [1 - exp( - K_a x/u)]$$
 (2e)

$$+\frac{5}{K_a}$$
 [1 - exp( - K<sub>a</sub> x/u)] (2f)

$$- (D_a - D_b) \exp[ - K_a (x - x_d)/u]$$
 (2g)

where

$$D_a$$
 = deficit of dissolved oxygen above a dam (mg/l)  
 $D_b$  = deficit of dissolved oxygen below a dam (mg/l)  
 $K_r$  = first order CBOD decay co-fficient (1/day)  
 $S^1$  = benthic oxygen uptake contribution (without mic) (mg/l-day)  
 $W_d$  = dissolved oxygen input from woste since on tributary (lbs./day)  
 $X_d$  = spatial location of a dam (siles)

The various parts of the solution are interpreted as:

- (2a) point source of DO,  $\mathbb{N}_4$ , and  $(min) \in \mathbb{N}_4$ ) we of DO deficit,  $D_D$
- (2b) deficit due to point conduct of  $i \in \mathbb{N}$
- (2c) deficit due to point source of the e
- (2d) deficit due to distribute alection osynthesis
- (2e) distributed algorizes action solution
- (2f) distributed benthic oxygen duamon affact
- (2g) deficit change due to a clatting from spillways over dams

A detailed discussion of each of the model components shown in Equation (2) is presented in the following sections. In these sections a discussion of the assumptions used in describing the component model is presented along with a summary of the values of the parameters selected for use in the verifications and predictions. The model is structured so that each of the input parameters may be varied spatially in the river. <u>Initial Conditions</u>

Values for initial conditions of dissolved oxygen, carbonaceous BOD, and total nitrogen in the Neenah-Menasha Channel were obtained either from recently available river survey data, or from the results of an extensive statistical analysis of dissolved oxygen and carbonaceous BOD data presented in the report prepared by Quirk, Lawler, and Matusky, Engineers.

Generally, the initial concentration of dissolved oxygen was at or above saturation at Neenah-Menasha due to photosynthetic activity of the aquatic plants (QLM, 1969). For the model vocitications, observed values of dissolved oxygen (all above saturation) were used. For the model predictions, the saturation value was used.

Where available, initial carbonaccous BOD values, measured by the Wisconsin DNR, were used. In the nume betweet of the analyses, an initial value of 6 mg/l was chosen based on the resource presented in the QLM study (QLM, 1969).

Relatively few measurements of total oxidizable nitrogen were available for use in the analysis. A review of the existing data suggested that the value of 1.0 mg/l was a reasonable of

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# Atmospheric\_Reaeration

The atmospheric reaeration coefficient, K<sub>a</sub>, was calculated using O'Connor's formulation (Dobbins and O'Connor, 1958),

$$K_{a} (1/day) = \frac{12.9\mu^{1/2}}{\mu^{3/2}}$$
 (3)

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in which,

 $\mu$  = average stream velocity (ft/sec) H = average depth (ft)

The O'Connor equation forms a reasonable basis for estimating the reaeration coefficient for a wide range of depth and velocity conditions (average depth ranging from about 1 foot to 30 feet [0.3 m to 9.1 m] and average velocities in the range from 0.5 to 1.6 ft/sec [0.15 m/sec to 0.49 m/sec]) encountered in the Lower Fox River.

The effect of temperature on the reaeration coefficient has been experimentally determined to be represented by

$$(K_{a})_{T} = (K_{a})_{2L} (1, 0 \ge 4)^{(1+2!)}$$
(4)

for T in degrees centigrade.

#### Biochemical Oxygen Demand

As shown in Equation (2), there is a distinction made between the oxygen demand of the carbonaceous  $m = \min\{(2,1)\}$  in a waste effluent, and the nitrogenous oxygen demanding core suct (12,3) of the effluent. Carbonaceous BOD

The removal rate of carbon documents organic matter, expressed as  $K_{\rm r},$  is

a result of oxidation and physical settling of the organic materials. For oxidation alone, as might result from a soluble organic waste, the reaction rate is expressed as  $K_d$  -- the rate of oxidation of the organic substance. The two reaction rates,  $K_r$  and  $K_d$ , associated with the decay of CBOD are shown in Equation (2b).

Previous studies have shown that the primary mechanism for CBOD removal is the oxidation of organic matter (QLM, 1969). Although settling of the suspended matter does occur, the rate of removal via this mechanism is small compared to oxidation. For the analysis, the removal rate,  $K_r$ , was assumed to be essentially equal to the oxidation rate,  $K_d$ .

Values for the CBOD coefficient,  $K_d$ , were taken directly from the QL&M report. In that study,  $K_d$  was reported to be a function of river flow between about 1,000 cfs (1,699 cu m/min) and 4,000 cfs (6,797 cu m/min) for the area from Appleton dam (mp 32.1) to De Pere dam (mp 7.3). For flows greater than 4000 cfs (6,797 cu m/min) the rate coefficient was considered constant. Beyond De Pere dam,  $K_d$  was independent of river flow and was assumed constant at 0.12/day.

For the present study, observed flows of about 2,000 cfs (3,398 cu m/min) to 2,500 cfs (4,248 cu m/min) resulted in corresponding deoxygenation coefficients of about 0.2 to 0.3/day.

Long term (20-day) CBOD measurements were available at several places in the river. From these measurements, the ratio of ultimate to 5-day BOD was calculated. This ratio varied from 1.29 to 2.36, as shown in the following table.

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# Table 1

### Ratio of Ultimate to 5-Day

## Carbonaceous BOD

R CBOD	Ratio CBODu/CBOD <sub>5</sub>					
QLM Report (1969)	Wisconsin DNR (1972)					
1.88 2.19 1.89 1.66 1.89 2.36 1.29	(Menasha Channel) 1.81 (Rapide Croche Dam) 1.95 (DePere Dam) 2.35					
	R CBOD QLM Report (1969) 1.88 2.19 1.89 1.66 1.89 2.36 1.29					

Source: Quirk, Lawler, and Matusky, Engineers, 1969

# Nitrogenous BOD

The assumption of a first-order kinetics model to describe the process of nitrification is a simplification of a rather complex set of consecutive reactions. In reality, organic and ammonia nitrogen are oxidized through a series of reactions, shown below, to nitrite and nitrate nitrogen. This oxidation process draws on the oxygen recources of the river and is included as a component in the model.

The ammonia formed from organic nitrogen, together with direct discharges of ammonia from waste sources,  $x_1 \leftrightarrow x_2^{(1)}$  and to nitrite by <u>Nitrosomonas</u> bacteria, as follows:

 $(NH_4)^+ + OH^- + 1.50_2 \xrightarrow{bacteria} F_1 + C_2^- + 2H_2O$ 

The reaction requires 3.43 pounds of exygen for each pound of ammonia aitrogen exidized to nitrite.

The nitrite formed is then exidized to mitrate by <u>Nitrobacter</u> as follows:

$$NO_2^- + 0.50_2 \xrightarrow{\text{bacteria}} NO_3^-$$

This reaction requires 1.14 pounds of oxygen for one pound of nitrite nitrate oxidized to nitrate.

The total exygen consumption in the nitrification process is 4.57 pounds of exygen for each bound of ammonia nitrogen. Thus, the nitrogenous BOD (NBOD) is equal to 4.57 times the concentration of total exidizable forms of mitrogen (ammonia + organic nitrogen).

In the present analysis, active nitrogenous oxidation is assumed to commence in the first segment in the Neenah-Menasha channel. This assumption is considered valid on the basis of high concentrations of algae and related nutriants entering the Lower Fox River from Lake Winnebago.

The rate coefficient, K<sub>n</sub>, is dependent on river temperature and the conceptration of dissolved oxygen. Under conditions of low dissolved oxygen, nitrification is inhibited and, at values below 1.5 mg/l dissolved oxygen, nitrification ceases. The maximum rate of nitrification at high levels of dissolved oxygen was 0.143/day (QLM, 1969).

The effect of temperature on the reaction rate of nitrification is given by

$$(K_n)_T = (K_n)_{20}(1.04)^{(T-20)}$$
 (5)

for temperatures greater than 10°C. At river temperatures of less than 10°C, nitrification is suppressed.

Estimates of point source loadings of total oxidizable nitrogen (NH<sub>3</sub>-N + organic-N) were applied to industrial and municipal dischargers. A comparison of observed total nitrogen values for July 14, 1972,with a computed mass balance of total nitrogen, is shown in Figure 2.

# Photosynthesis and Respiration

Lake Winnebago contributes large concentrations of algae to the Lower Fox River in the summer months. The algae and rooted aquatic plants, through the processes of photosynthesis and respiration, serve both as a source and a sink of dissolved oxygen in the river. In the steady state model presented herein, the complex interactions involved in photosynthesis and respiration are simplified by relating the chlorophyll - <u>a</u> concentration in the river to an oxygen source term, P, and a sink term, R.

Chlorophyll - <u>a</u> measurements at various locations in the river were available from recent surveys by Sager and Wiersma. Estimates of the gross oxygen production and respiration due to algae concentrations were made by using the empirical relationship between chlorophyll - <u>a</u> concentration and maximum oxygen production established by Ryther and Yentsch and reported by Di Toro (1969). This relationship is:

$$P = 0.25 chl - a$$
 (6)

where

P = gross photosynthetic dissolved oxygen production
 (mg O<sub>2</sub>/1-day)

chl - a = chlorophyll - a concentration (µg/l)

The relationship between the algal respiration rate, R, and chlorophyll - <u>a</u> concentration is:

Mass Balance of Total Nitrogen



$$R = 0.025 \text{ ch} - a$$
 (7)

The average daily rate of photosynthetic dissolved oxygen production,  $P_{av}$ , is given by:

$$P_{av} = P \ 2p/\pi \tag{8}$$

where

p = fractional period of sunlight in a day

The unfortunate implication is that a constant ratio of P/R = 10 exists for all algal populations. This is not true, since the ratio is known to vary considerably. However, comparison of results from this empirical relation and data presented in the QLM report from light and dark bottle measurements agree reasonably well and so lend confidence in the empirical relation used in the analysis.

Table 2 shows the spatial variation of maximum gross algal oxygen production and respiration used in preparing two verifications of survey data and a prediction of 1978 conditions.

# TABLE 2

# SPATIAL VARIATION OF ALGAL OXYGEN PRODUCTION

AND RESPIRATION (mgO<sub>2</sub>/1-day)

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July 28, 1971			June	20-21, 197	3	1978 Prediction			
Segment	Р	R	Segment	P	R	Segment	P	R	
1-11	35.0	3.50	1-14	21.3	2.13	1-14	14.0	1.4	
12-28	28.78	2.88	15-22	21.3	2.13	15-22	11.0	1.1	1
29-33	21.25	2,13	23-27	12.5	1.25	23-27	8.0	0.8	רט ו
34-40	16,25	1.63	28-45	12.5	1.25	28-45	6.0	0,6	
41-45	11.25	1.13							

Source: Sager and Wiersma, 1972

(1978 Prediction conditions are estimates)

### Benthic Oxygen Demand

The continuous discharge of settleable waste material from municipal and industrial sources for many years has resulted in the formation of sludge banks throughout the river. The bottom conditions in the river vary from rather thick deposits of sludge to relatively shallow deposits of decaying organic material from natural sources such as dead algae. The surface layer of sludge, in direct contact with the water, undergoes aerobic decomposition, during which dissolved oxygen resources are depleted from the overlying water. Assuming that the river is vertically well mixed, this benthic or sludge oxygen demand (SOD) is the distributed sink of dissolved oxygen shown as S in Equations (1) and (2).

Values for S were orginally taken from the literature. Thomas (1970) reported SOD values of up to 2.3 mgs  $O_2/m^2$ -day in unpolluted sections of the Willamette River in Oregon. For sections of the river covered with fresh paper mill sludge deposits, values as high as 19.5 mgs  $O_2/m^2$ -day were reported, with the average uptake rate in the range from 3.6 to 9.8 mgs  $O_2/m^2$ -day. McKeown (1968) reported a range of 1.5 to 5.0 mgs  $O_2/m^2$ -day for sludge deposits from pulp and paper mill wastes at various locations. Review of other literature (Thomann, 1972) indicates a range of 4 to 10 mgs  $O_2/m^2$ -day SOD for cellulosic fiber sludge.

Both Thomas and McKeown describe a rapid decrease in sludge oxygen demand as the sludge ages. According to Thomas, within 90 days after decomposition, the SOD had dropped to half of the maximum value at the time of deposition. McKeown reported a decrease to about one-third of the maximum SOD within 80 days of deposition.

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Based on the above information, a maximum SOD of 5.0 mgs  $O_2/m^2$ -day was utilized for most analyses presented herein. A value of 2.5 mgs  $O_2/m^2$ day was used for predicting future conditions in anticipation of decreased loadings of settleable materials to the river and of aging of the existing sludge deposits in the river.

Although the average value for the benthic oxygen demand will be about 2.5 mgs  $O_2/m^2$ -day, it possibly will be higher than this at a few locations. Sludge deposition in the Lower Fox River was recently studied by Springer (1972). Under most flow conditions, significant sludge deposition was found to occur in segments 6 to 11 and 28 to 45. Since fresh sludge deposits may well settle in these locations in the future, the benthic uptake rate could be higher than that assumed in the present analysis.

Subsequent to the development of the present model, the Wisconsin DNR conducted laboratory measurements of the benthic oxygen uptake due to sludge deposits taken from the river. These studies indicated an uptake range of 2.5 to 3.2 mgs  $O_2/m^2$ -day for areas having relatively little sludge. In more grossly polluted areas, SOD values of 6 to 20 mgs  $O_2/m^2$ -day were measured (Wisconsin DNR, 1973). Results of the Wisconsin DNR studies support the SOD values taken from the literature and used for the Fox River analysis. The measured range of 2.5 to 3.2 mgs  $O_2/m^2$ -day for areas relatively free of sludge deposits supports the assumption made in evaluating future conditions that the average SOD will be near these values after installation of adequate treatment.

Effects of river temperature on the benthic oxygen uptake rate can be

approximated in the 10° to 30° range by

$$(5)_{T} = (5)_{20} (1.065)^{(T-20)}$$
 (9)

where T is river temperature in degrees centigrade.

Below 10°C, the rate decreases more rapidly than indicated by Equation (9) and approaches zero in the range of D° to 5°C.

# Reaeration Over Dams

The reaeration occurring at dams along the river is similar to the natural phenomenon of atmospheric reaeration and always drives the dissolved oxygen concentration of the water toward the saturation value. In the Lower Fox River, the major sources of continuous artifical reaeration are the waterfalls over dams located at De Pere (mp 7.3), Little Rapids (mp 13.1), Rapide Croche (mp 19.18), and Upper Appleton (mp 32.1). Although there are 19 dams located on the river, these four dams were considered to be the significant sources of reaeration based on observations made by the Wisconsin DNR during recent field studies and as clearly indicated in the data shown in Figures 4 and 5.

For the Mohawk River and Barge Canal in New York State, Mastropietro (Mastropietro, 1972) developed an equation similar to the following for reaeration over dams:

 $D_{a} - D_{b} = \alpha H_{d} D_{a}$ (10)  $D_{a} = \text{dissolved oxygen deficit above dam (mg/l)}$   $D_{b} = \text{dissolved oxygen deficit below dam (mg/l)}$   $H_{d} = \text{height through which the waterfalls (ft.)}$  $\alpha = \text{empirical coefficient for dam reaeration}$  Mastropietro used an  $\alpha$  value of 0.037 in his work. However, for the Lower Fox River, coefficients determined from field data were substituted in describing reaeration over dams. A summary of the dam heights and coefficients is presented in Table 3.

### TABLE 3

## REAERATION OVER DAMS

DAM	MILEPOINT	HEIGHT (FT.)	<u>a</u>
De Pere	7.30	9.8	0.037
Little Rapids	13.10	6.1	0.115
Rapide Croche	<b>19.</b> 18	9.4	0.037
Upper Appleton	. 32.10	8.0	0.065

Total dissolved oxygen transferred at the various dams could be as high as 4 to 5 mg/l if the dissolved oxygen concentration at the dam headwater is at, or near, zero.

# Physical Parameters

Geometric characteristics of the river, such as average depths, widths • and cross-sectional areas are necessary to determine the assimilative capacity of the river since these parameters combined with the river flow rate determine velocity. Each of the terms in Equation (2) is a function of river velocity.

Average widths and depths were obtained directly from the QLM report. Cross sectional areas in the river were then readily computed from this information. River segments used in the model presented in this report, were those used in the QLM study. Table 4 presents the average depths, widths, and cross-sectional areas used in the analysis.

In the development of the model, the Menasha Channel was arbitrarily considered as a tributary to the main branch of the Lower Fox River entering atriver milepoint 37.24 in Segment 6. River flow from Lake Winnebago was proportioned between Menasha and Neenah Channel by a consideration of the respective dam spillway dimensions and current measurements taken during stream surveys. Flow in Menasha Channel was calculated by QLM to be 0.54 of the total river flow, with the flow in Neenah Channel being the difference, or 0.46 of the total river flow.

#### Seiche Effect

Green Bay, at the mouth of the Lower Fox River, is sufficiently large to be subject to a phenomenon similar to oceanic tides. This phenomenon, the seiche effect, will cause long period oscillations in the river similar to the waves caused by tides in a coastal estuary. Neither amplitude, current, nor dye tracer measurements of any detail were available to fully evaluate the effect of the seiche in Green Bay on the Lower Fox River.

Aerial photographs obtained during a recent study of (EPA, 1972) thermal discharges in Lake Michigan clearly indicate current reversals at about 1.3 miles from Green Bay near the confluence of the East River and the Lower Fox. Contrary to the conclusion presented in the QLM report, it is evident that longitudinal backmixing does appear to significantly alter the distribution of pollutants in the river below De Pere at certain times. The effect of backmixing can be seen in the results of a recent river survey shown in Figure 6.

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Segmént No.	Depth (feet)	Width (feet)	Cross-Sectiona Area (sq.1	1 Mile Ft <u>.)</u>	e Points	Location
1	2	488	976	38.63	- 38.1	Neenah Dam - Bergstrom Paper (Neenah Channel)
2	2.5	1,608	<b>4</b> 020	38.1	- 37.62	Bergstrom Paper - Kimberīy-Clark (Lakeview)
3	3	2,326	6978	37.62	- 37.24	Kimberly-Clark - James Is.
4	Z	305	· £10	38.18	- 37.92	Menasha Channel - John Strange Paper
5	2	356	712	37.92	- 37.24	John Strange Paper - James Is,
6	4	2,915	1166	37.24	- 36.83	James Is Menasha Lock (Main River)
7	4.5	3,252	14634	36.83	- 36,0	Menasha Lock - Menasha (9th Street)
B	5,5	2,739	15065	36.0	- 34.8	Menasha (9th Street) Strobe Is.
9	9	1,093	9837	34.8	- 34.3	Strobe Is Mud Creek
10	9.6	1,045	10032	34.3	- 33.96	Mud Creek - Grignon Rapids Channel
11	6.6	556	3670	33,96	- 3z.1	Grigaon Rapids Channel - Dam, WisMich, Power
12	4	419	1676	32.1	- 31.65	Wis-Mich. Power - Dam, Fox River Paper
13	4.5	444	1998	31,65	- 30.8	Fox River Paper - Dam, Formost Dairies
14	1.6	387	619	30.B	- 30,56	Dam, Formost Dairies Consolidated Paper
15	5.8	629	3648	30,56	- 29.73	Consolidated Paper · Appleton Sewage Plant ·
16	6.7	626	4194	29.73	- 27.24	Appleton Sewage Plant Kimberly-Clark (Kım.)
17	3.3	806	2660	27.24	- 26.8	Kimberly-Clark (Kım.) Little Chute (Jefferson St
19	6.7	\$ <i>8</i> 0	4556	26.B	- 26,4	Little Chute - Guard Lock, Little Chute
19	6.4	1,030	6592	26.4	- 25.6	Guard Lock, Little Chuce - Dam, Combined Locks Payer
20	2.8	533	1492	25.6	- 25.1	Combined Locks Paper - Sanitorium Road
21	5.3	553	3484	25,1 -	23,93	Sanitorium Road - Lafollette Park Kaukauna
22	6.0	150	900	23.93 -	23.2	LaFollette Park,Kaukauna - Thílmany Paper
23	6.0	150	900	23.2 -	22,5	Thilmany Paper Lagoons

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	Segment No,	Depth (feet)	Width (feet)	Cross-Sectional Amea_(sg.ft.)	Mile ,	Pai	ints	Location
· · ·	24	4.7	1,386	6514	22.5	-	21.0	Lagoons - mīle point 21.0
	25	7.5	627	4703	21.0	-	19.18	Mile point 21.0 Rapide Croche.Dam
	26	4	605	2420	19,18	9 -	17.4	Rapide Croche Bam - Plum Creek
	27	5.8	502	2912	17.4	-	15.0	Plum Creek - Apple Creek
	28	7.7	575	442 E	15,0	-	13.1	Apple Creek - Dam Little Rapids
	29	5.5	_ 919	5055	13.1	-	12.6	Dam, Little Rapids - Lost Dauphin State Park
	30	5	1,629	8145	12,5	-	12.1	Lost Dauphin State Park - Hickory Grove Sanitorium
۲.	31	5.7	1,780	10146	12.1	-	10.4	Samitorium - Old Plank Rd. DePere
	<b>32</b>	10.3	903	9301	10.4	-	7.3	Old Plank Rd, DePere - Dam, DePere
,	33	3.4	1,438	4889	7.3	-	6.97	Dam, DePere - U. S. Paper Mills
÷.	34	6.6	1,640	10824	6.97	-	6.25	U.S. Paper Mills - DePere Sewage Plant
	35	7.4	1,160	8584	6,25	-	5.7	DePere Sewage Plant - Ashwaubenon Creek
·	36	5.6	2,083	11665	5.7	-	4.8	Ashwaubenon Creek - Dutchman Creek
i	37	5.6	2,715	15204	4.8	-	4.0	Outchman Creek - Reimers Meat Products
	38	9	1,338	12042	4.0	-	3.7	Reimers Meat Products - Fort Howard Pap≘r
	39	13	1,154	15002	3.7	-	2.63	Fort Howard Paper - Porlier Street Green Bay
	40	21	618	12978	2.63	-	1.3	Porlier Street - East River
	41	19	845	16055	1.3	-	1.0	East River - Charmin Paper Co.
	42	20	594	11880	1.0	-	0.7	Charmin Paper Co Green Bay Packaging
•	43	13	765	9945	0.7	-	0.33	Green Bay Packaging - Reiss Coal Co.
	44	16.5	850	14025	0,33	-	0.14	·Reiss Coal Co Green Bay Yacht Club
	45	13	938	12194	0.14	-	0.0	Green Bay Yacht Club Green Bay

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Because of the backmixing effect, the distribution of pollutants is altered such that the concentration of dissolved oxygen occasionally tends to increase below De Pere, rather than decrease, as would be expected due to the magnitude of the waste loads discharged into the river.

Since the observed phenomena are similar to tidal effects in a coastal estuary, the effect of current reversals, i.e., a seiche, can be accounted for in the model by the addition of a term describing the mass flux due to longitudinal dispersion in Equation (1).

Data were not available to permit evaluation of the effect of current reversals on water quality predicted by the present model. Since the seiche phenomena is not a continuous occurrence, as are estaurine tides, the integrity of the model reported herein is not affected for situations in which the effects of dispersion are negligible.

#### Survey Data

Two recent sources of extensive data greatly facilitated construction of the model. Sager and Wiersma's 1971 and 1972 study of water quality in the Lower Fox River and Green Bay provided temperature, dissolved oxygen and chlorophyll - <u>a</u> measurements at ten locations in the river. In addition, the Wisconsin DNR conducted stream surveys on the Lower Fox River throughout the summer of 1972, the results of which were made available to the EPA.

Sager and Wierma's data is a result of a single surface grab sample taken at locations where the river was considered to be well mixed. The data furnished by the Wisconsin DNR represents several measurements of dissolved oxygen across the width of the river at numerous locations on the river. Observation of the data indicates the existence of a rather significant gradient in the lateral and vertical planes of the river, demonstrating that the river is not truly a completely mixing system as is assumed in a one-dimensional model.

Despite the apparent lack of complete mixing in some portions of the river, the computed profiles of dissolved oxygen do agree sufficiently well with the observed data to validate the assumption of an approximately uniform concentration of dissolved oxygen in the lateral and vertical planes in each segment of the river.

#### Proposed Effluent Limitations

The 1972 Amendments to the Federal Water Pollution Control Act changed the major emphasis of water pollution control from water quality standards to effluent limitations, regulating the amount of pollutants discharged from specific point sources. The 1972 Amendments required that EPA define the "best practicable control technology currently available" for various categories of industrial operations and determine maximum allowable effluent limitations. The Act requires that all dischargers provide at least this level of treatment and meet existing water quality standards no later than July, 1977.

"Best practicable control technology currently available" effluent limits are in the process of being defined for the pulp and paper industry. These limitations will be expressed in terms of pounds of CBOD<sub>5</sub>, suspended solids, and other materials allowed to be discharged per ton of product and are being established for the numerous specific operations in the pulp and paper industry. These limits were not completed at the time of this evaluation; therefore, previously developed "interim" guidelines (Table 5) were used.

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These compare very closely to the initial draft of the guidelines being developed for the type of papermills located on the Fox River.

Also, the various municipal waste facilities in the basin are required by Wisconsin DNR orders to achieve a minimum of 90 percent removal of influent BOD. These requirements compare closely with the minimum Federal requirements of secondary treatment for municipalities as defined in the promulgated regulations (40 CFR 133).

The proposed effluent limitation represented by 90% BOD removal at municipalities and the interim guideline limitations shown in Table 5 are the basis for the water quality predictions made in this report.

A location map indicating the study area, municipal and industrial waste sources, and river segmentation, and the dams considered to be significant sources of reaeration is shown in Figure 1. Table 5 lists the various pount sources in the river by identification number, segment and river milepoint. It also gives estimated waste loadings assuming implementation of estimated effluent limitations for industries and for municipalities.

Non-point sources of BOD and other pollutants, primarily from urban and rural runoff, were not evaluated in detail in this report. At certain times of the year, these sources may contribute significant amounts of waste loads to the river, although the extent of this contribution has not been established.

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#### SUMMARY OF WASTE DISCHARGES

June 20-21, 1972 Effluent Levels

Proposed Effluent Limitations

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Number	Source	Seqment	River mile point	Elaw (and)			Flow (mgd)	CBOD_(1bs/day)	NBOD (1bs/day)
٦.	Kimperly -Clark (Neenah)	2	40.1	1.7	<u>[165/day]</u> 55	<u>NBOD (lbs/day)</u> 55	<u>├</u> ───┬	D NEENAH-MENASHA ST	P
2.	Kımberly-Clark (Badger Globe)	2	39.9	0.7	263	46		•	
з.	Bergstorm Paper	2	39.8	5.0	20057	220n			
4.	Kimberly-Clark (Lakeview)	3	39.2	5,4	54N	455	3.5	550	465
5.	Gilbert Paper	5	39, B	2.5	- <i>-</i> -	722	т	O NEENAH-MENASHA STI	P
б.	John Strange	5	39, B	2. П	760	., D	1.0	1000	D
7.	Neenah-Mepasha STP	6	37,6	15.2	347n	דפנ	24 .D	7000	3287
8.	George Whiting	7	38.7	0.5	200	3207	0,4	100	16
9.	Menasha Sanitary District #4	8	36,0	0.6	2702	320	D,6	935	330
10.	Riverside Paper	14	33.3	2.4	1805	220	0,4	90	238
11.	Foremost Foods	14	30, <del>8</del>	1.3	299	0	1.3	60 '	. 0
12.	Consolidated Paper	15	30.1	17.9	 524n5***	6880	18.0	4900	6680
13.	Appleton STP	16	30.0	10.0	2150***	2363	14.2	4139 '	3363
14.	Kı⊏berly-Clark (Kimberly)	17	29.0	11.0	17490	1828	11.0	1658	، 2658+ 🕃
15,	Fumberly STP	17	27.0	0.4	90	265	D.6	100	265
16.	Little Chute STP	18	26.9	D.4	167	130	0,8	100 (	130
17.	Appleton Papers	20	27.0	В.3	30695	530	B,3	2000 '	530
18.	Kaukeuna STP	24	23.1	1.1	144	854	1.2	232	854
19.	Thilmany Paper	24	23.0	27.1	20642	2568	19.2	4260 ,	2628*
20.	Nicolet Paper	33	7.0	3.3	438	 N	3.2	945	4953*
21.	V.S. Paper	34	6. B		0	n	1	TO DE PERE STP .	
22.	De <sup>p</sup> ere STP	35	6.2	1.7	1180	1628	2.2	1543	1628
23.	Fort Howard Paper	39	3.7	15.2	52850		22.6	850D v	2157*
24.	Charman Paper	42	1.0	13.7 -	47385	36670	6.0	7000	1316**
25.	Green Bay Packaging	43	0.7	2.5	1700	137	1.8	3150	150*
26.	American Can	44	0.3	35.9	88466***	112	5,4	4215	510**
27.	Green Bay Metro STP	45	0.1	13.5	254B1***	5631	39.0	14600 \	5631**
	TOTAL WASTE LOAD				371630	67234		67077	37990

\* Represents information from NPDES permits

\*\* Estimated in anticipation of future conditions

\*\*\*Yalues for wastewater discharges for these facilities were taken from the Refuse Act Permit Program applications and, therefore, represent average daily conditions, not those for June 20-21, 1972.

#### RESULTS

The following analysis demonstrates a reasonable degree of correlation between observed data and computed results for varying conditions of river flow, river temperature and waste loadings.

## Model Verification

Figures 3 through 6 depict the comparison between the observed data and the computed profiles of dissolved oxygen for the river survey data that was analyzed.

Comparisons were made for river flow rates varying from 1,340 cfs (2,277 cu m/min) to 2,250 cfs (3,823 cu m/min) and river temperatures ranging from 21<sup>o</sup> to 25<sup>o</sup>C.

The comparison shown in Figure 5 for the data collected on July 5 and 6, 1972 is of particular significance since several of the pulp and paper mills were shut down for the Fourth of July holiday. The observed data and the computed profile both show a significant improvement in water quality as a result of decreasing some of the waste loads to the river. The good agreement between the computed profile and this particular set of data lends confidence in the ability of the model to predict future water quality conditions as a result of implementing the proposed effluent limitations on the Lower Fox River.

Also of interest is the observed data shown in Figures 4 and 5. The survey data indicate rather high concentration gradients of dissolved oxygen in the lateral and vertical planes at certain locations on the river, most notably near the Menasha Channel, Appleton Papers, below the Rapide Croche Cam. and near the mouth of the river at Green Bay. Despite the vertical stratification of dissolved oxygen due to benthic deposits and the apparent lack of complete mixing near waste outfalls, the agreement between the observed

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data and the computed profile, which assumed an average, and uniform concentration, is good. The observed data shown in Figures 3 and 6 do not demonstrate significant gradients since only one sample (assumed to be representative of a completely mixed system) was taken at each location.

The observed data for July 14, 1972 shown in Figure 6 possibly demonstrate the backmixing 'interaction between the mouth of the Lower Fox River and Green Bay. Because of this effect. the distribution of pollutants is altered so that the concentration of dissolved oxygen occasionally tends to increase below De Pere. The backmixing effect, similar to estuarine tidal effects, was not considered in the development of this model, since the phenomenon is not a continuous occurrence.

# Model Sensitivity

Using August 10, 1971 actual conditions, the sensitivity of the model to the benthic oxygen demand, the carbonaceous BOD decay coefficient and the nitrogenous BOD decay coefficient were evaluated. Table 6 presents the sensitivity of the model to these parameters at three critical locations on the river. The analysis indicates that the water quality is most sensitive to the benthic oxygen demand and the rate of CEOD deoxygenation. The model is relatively insensitive to the variations in the maximum rate coefficient for nitrification, as can be seen in Table 6. If further refinement of this model is to be obtained, additional field work is needed to, in more detail, evaluate the spatial distribution of sludge deposits, the resultant oxygen uptake rate, and the rate of CBOD utilization.

## Water Quality Predictions

The preceding analysis demonstrated the ability of the model to reproduce observed data for varying conditions of flow, temperature, and waste

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# TABLE 6

# Model Verification Sensitivity

# Survey Date - August 10, 1971

Pərameter	o.p. 35.0	m.p.15.0	m.p. 0.0
	Dissolved o	xygen (mg/l)	
Bonthic Uptake Rate			
S = 2.5 g/m <sup>2</sup> -day *S = 5.0 g/m <sup>2</sup> -day S = 10.0 g/m <sup>2</sup> -day	4.75 3.24 C.23	2.53 0.80 0.0	0.59 p.0- p.0 7.0
CCOG Decay Rate			
Kd = 0.15/day ™G = 0.30/day Kd = 0.60/day	4.78 3.24 0.92	2.79 C.80 O.C	0.0 0.0 0.0
NBOD Decay Rate			
*K <sub>n</sub> = 0.14/day K <sub>n</sub> = 0.28/day K <sub>n</sub> = 0.55/day	3.24 2.78 2.07	0.80 0.62 0.49	0.0 0.0 0.0

m.p. = mile point from mouth

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\* Value used in verification

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loadings in the river. The verified model was then used to evaluate the improvement in water quality as a result of implementing the proposed effluent limitations.

Figure 7 depicts the average response of water quality to implementation of the required effluent limitations for all waste sources on the river.

Conditions assumed for the prediction represent a fairly extreme summertime condition with a 7-day 10-year low-flow of 1,127 cfs (1,915 cu m/min), a stream temperature of 21°C, and relatively low algal populations in the river. The daily average concentration of dissolved oxygen is about 6 mg/l, falling significantly below this in the region past De Pere (mp 7.3), although still above 4 mg/l.

The profile shown in Figure 7 is not meant to be a precise forecast of future water quality conditions in the Lower Fox River; rather the analysis indicates a significantly improved water quality as a result of implementing the projected effluent limitations for point sources.

The shaded area in Figure 7 approximates the average diurnal variation to be expected from algal photosynthesis and respiration, and other periodic fluctuations in parameters such as terthic uptake rate and natural background conditions of water quality. The variation in dissolved oxygen due to algal activity has, in the past, averaged about 1 mg/1 with a range from 1 to 3 mg/1 above and below the daily average concentration as measured by the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources automatic monitors. It is assumed that diurnal variations will occur under future conditions, yet it is difficult to forecast the magnitude of such a fluctuation for future conditions.



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The predictions are based on the assumption of a linear system. The terms in equations 1 and 2 assume that the biological systems can be modeled by linear functions. However, it is realized there exist some nonlinear biological feedback mechanisms. For example, the improvement in dissolved oxygen in the future may provide more suitable conditions for nitrifying bacteria, and the predicted profile may be slightly less than that shown in Figure 7. The effect of reduced waste discharges on algal growth and the resultant effect on water quality may also alter the projected profile shown in Figure 7, but the extent of this alteration is uncertain.

The prediction shown in Figure 7 represents the best estimates available for the various significant input parameters with consideration given to the effects of decreased waste loading to the river upon each of the parameters. A summary of the values used in the prediction analysis including an approximate occurrence frequency for each parameter and the range of values reported in the literature is shown in Table 7.

Further evidence of the effect of reducing waste loads and the resultant improvement in water quality is shown in Figure 8. In this figure, the survey data and model verification for June 20-21, 1972 (Figure 4) is superimposed on a model prediction that uses the flow and temperature conditions that occurred on the survey date. Thus, the prediction in Figure 8 indicates what the average dissolved oxygen would have been had the proposed effluent limitations been in effect as compared to existing loading levels. Clearly, there will be a marked improvement in average dissolved oxygen levels in the river, and existing water quality standards should be achieved.

# TABLE 7

SUMMARY DF	PARAMETERS	USED IN	STREAM	ANALYSIS
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PARAMETER A SAE (SYMBOL)	VALUE FOR VERIFICATION	USED FOR PREDICTION	PREDICTION VALUE OCCURRENCE FREQUENCY	REPORTED FOR FOX RIVER	VALUES FROM LITERATURE	SENSITIVITY AT MILE POINT 0.0
Flew (Q)	As measured daily by					
cfs		1127	7 day, 10 year low flow			from 1127 to 2254
		2254		,		AD.0 +1.36
Sludge Uptake (S) gms 0 <sub>2</sub> /m <sup>2</sup> -day	5.0	2.5	2.5 is literature value for unpolluted streams	2.5 to 20	1.5 to 19	from 2.5 to 5.0 Δ0.0, = -4.04 mg/1
Algal Productivity (fmm) mg/l-day	As measured by Sager	14 maximum	Median value of available data	2.0 to 45	<i>u</i>	from 7 to 14 ΔD.O. = +2.86 mg/1
CDOD decay (Kd) 1/day	As reported in QLM. Measured values varied with flow.	0,15 0.124 below DePere Dam	Lowest observed because of low flow	0.124 - 0.6	0.1 - 0.6 without settling	from 0.15 to 0.3 ΔD.O. = -0.58 mg/1
Tcaperature (T) °C	As measured on survey date		See Temp Flow Correlation	0 - 31		
		, 21°C 25°C		,		from 21 to 25 $\Delta D. 0. = -1.60 \text{ mg/l}$
NBOD decay (Kn) 1/day	0.14 maximum As reported in QLM	0.14 maximum	Not available	0.14	0.1 to 0.6	from 0.14 to 0.6 ΔD.0. = -0.31 m <sub>d</sub> /1
Initial CBCD mg/l	As measured or 6.0	6.0	50 to 60% of values are < 6.0	1 to 9		from 3.0 to 6.0 ΔD.0. = -0.59 mg/1
Iritial NBOD mg/1	Usually 4.6	4.6	About 50%	2.3 to 11.2		from 4.6 to 9.2 ΔD.D. = -0.17 mg/1
Initial D.U. mg/l	As measured on survey date	C <sub>s</sub> the saturation value	70 to 90% of the values are greater than C <sub>S</sub>	C <sub>s</sub> <sup>±</sup> 4 mg/1		for initial D.Γ. = C <sub>g</sub> -2, ΔD.D. <0.25 mg/1 at mp ΞC
Industrial-Munici- pal Loadings lbs/day	As reported to WDNR or EPA	EFA production guidelines				For 20% reduction beyond guidelines AD.D. = +0,48

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A sensitivity analysis was performed on the model prediction to demonstrate the range of response to be expected for various combinations of reasonable ranges of the parameters. The results of the analysis are shown in Table 8 for three critical river milepoints. Inspection of Table 8 would indicate that the Lower Fox River is most sensitive to the following parameters (shown in decreasing order of sensitivity): benthic oxygen uptake rate, algal photosynthesis, river flow, temperature, and deoxygenation rate for CBOD.

Sensitivity of the prediction to the benthic oxygen demand is shown in Figure 9. As stated in the previous discussion on benthic oxygen demand, all evidence indicates that the average value will be nearer to 2.5 than to 5.0 gms  $O_2/m^2$ -day, once the sources of the sludge deposits are controlled. This is due to the rapid lowering of the uptake rate as the sludge ages. Hence, an average oxygen uptake rate for sludge of 2.5 gms  $O_2/m^2$ -day was used in the prediction.

Figure 10 shows the sensitivity of the model prediction to variations in gross algal oxygen production. The middle profile, which is the same as that shown in Figure 7, uses average algal oxygen production values estimated from the chlorophyll-<u>a</u> data provided by Sager and Wiersma. For comparison purposes, profiles equal to double and one half the calculated algal oxygen production values were utilized. These profiles do not represent a normally expected situation, but are included to show the range of sensitivity to algal oxygen production.

# TABLE 8

# Model Prediction Sensitivity

# to Parameter Changes

Parameter	m.p. 35.0	m.p. 15.0	m.p. 0_0
Benthic Uptake Rate		_	
* S = 2.5 g/m <sup>2</sup> S = 5.0 g/m <sup>2</sup>	-day 7.53 -day 5.35	б.74 4.55	4,09 0,05
Algal Productivity			
P = 1/2 P <sup>1</sup> mg/1 r P = P <sup>1</sup> mg/1 P = 2P <sup>1</sup> mg/1	-day 5.50  -day 7.53  -day 11.60	5.39 6.74 9.44	1.23 4.09 9.81
CBUD Decay Rate (Kr =	- K <sub>d</sub> )	-	·
* Kd - 0.15/day id = 0.3/day Kd = 0.6/day	7.53 5.91 3.89	5.74 5.24 8.43	4.09 3.51 2.40
(BC) Decay Rate	<u> </u>		
* k <sub>1</sub> = 0.14/day K <sub>1</sub> ; = 0.3/day K <sub>1</sub> ; = 0.8/day	7.53 6.77 5.89	6.74 5.48 5.46	4.09 *.07 3.73
nitial CSOD			
СГОД = 3.С mg - СВОД' = 6.0 mg СВид' = 9.0 mg	/} 8.49 /1 7.53 /1 6.55	7.24 6.74 6.24	4.68 4.09 3.49
nitial NBOD			
→ NBOD' = 4.6 mg NBOD' = 9.2 mg	/lm 7.53 /l 7.23	6. <b>74</b> 5.62	4.09 3.92
iver Flow			
* C = 1127 cfs 0 = 2254 cfs	7.53 6.87	6.74 7.62	4.09 ΰ.07
engarature			
* 7 ~ 21°C 1 - 25°C	7.53 6.07	5.74 5.43	4.09 2.49

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Q - 1127 ofs	$K_{\gamma} = D.14/d_{\gamma}$
T = C12C	CBCD' = 6.0 mg/1
S = 2.5 q/m <sup>z</sup> -day	NBOD' = 4.5 mc/1
<pre>4 - 0.15/day</pre>	P = 14.0g0z/1-mav
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# Frequency of Occurrence Below Given Dissolved Oxygen Levels

Although the set of parameters chosen to generate the prediction shown in Figure 7 represent fairly extreme summertime conditions, it is recognized that other combinations of low-flow and high temperatures would result in lower dissolved oxygen profiles. In order to approximately determine how often lower dissolved oxygen profiles would occur as a result of various extreme combinations of low-flow and temperature, 10 years of daily data from 1961 to 1971 were analyzed. The results of this analysis are shown in Table 9 for the normally critical point just above De Pere Dam at mile point 7.3. The table shows the number of days when extreme combinations of flow and temperature, if used as input parameters in the model, would have resulted in a daily average dissolved oxygen concentration of less than a given oxygen level.

### TABLE 9

# Frequency of Occurrence Below Given Dissolved Oxygen Levels at Mile Point 7.3

Daily Average DO level (mg/l)	Average Number of Occurrences Below Given Level (days/vr)	Anticipated Range of Observed Below Given Level (days/yr)
5	36	2-71
4	8-9	0-32
3	O	0
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#### SUMMARY

The effect of the various wastewater inputs on water quality in the Lower Fox River can be modeled in a rational quantitative manner. Such a model was used to evaluate future water quality in the river assuming implementation of a proposed effluent program consisting of "best practicable control technology currently available" (interim estimates) for industrial waste sources and 90 percent BOD removal for municipal waste dischargers as required by the 1972 Amendments to the Federal Water Pollution Control Act and by Wisconsin State Orders. The approach presented herein has been shown to offer a reasonable basis for estimating the effects on water quality of implementing the proposed effluent program in the Fox River basin. The results of the study indicate that if the effluent limitations are implemented, there will be a significant improvement in water quality, and a daily average dissolved oxygen concentration of 4 to 5 mg/l will be maintained in all areas under most conditions and will not fall below 4 mg/l more than 2% of the time. During extreme low-flow and high temperature situations, the dissolved oxygen concentration could drop to about 2 to 3 mg/l.

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APPENDIX

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# TABLE 2

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#### Notes:

- (a) Repeat cards four through eight for total number (NTOT) of segments
- (b) STREAM, RUNDES, and SEGID are alpha-numeric variables with 20A4 format, data entered col. 1-80

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- (c) NTOT is an integer variable with 12 format in col, 59-60
- (d) ALPHA is a floating point variable with Fl0.3 format
- (e) All other variables are floating point with Fl0.2 format

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