#### **Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources SWIMS Project Summary**

#### **General Project Information**

Project ID: CBSM-10029871

Name: Dominican Creek at Lake Michigan Citizen Based Stream Monitoring Type:

Subtype: Volunteer Monitoring

Status: **ACTIVE** Start Date: 03/16/2009 **End Date:** 12/31/2099

Purpose: The Water Action Volunteers Program (WAV) involves citizen monitors in the collection of stream water quality data that

> may be used by the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources (DNR) and their partner organizations. Program goals include building relationships between DNR staff and citizen monitors while assessing streams in need of additional monitoring, restoration, and/or protection. Ultimately, volunteer participation increases capabilities of the DNR and communities to monitor streams, providing water quality information that may be used to make decisions that affect the

management of streams throughout Wisconsin.

Objective: The main goal of the WAV program is to preserve and protect Wisconsin's streams and the lakes to which they are

> connected. Objectives of the program are to educate and empower citizens to share their data, to obtain high quality data useful for DNR decision-making, and to encourage data and knowledge sharing. The process of data collection by Wisconsin residents enhances their understanding of water quality parameters, and in many cases, interests them in assisting with more sophisticated projects, including the collection of additional biological, chemical, and physical site data. Ultimately, a goal is that DNR staff trust volunteer data results, and therefore utilize WAV data to assist in making

management decisions.

Comments:

Outcome:

Study Design: Volunteer stream monitors assess water quality parameters identified in the DNR's Water Resources Monitoring Strategy

for Wisconsin, Volunteers may identify their own sampling locations. In some instances, WAV Coordinators, DNR, or county staff may recommend sites based on the need to acquire status or trends information, or other types of monitoring that are priorities. In general, volunteers are asked to monitor from May through October. Advanced volunteers choose primary (P) and secondary (S) sampling dates in advance and note on their data sheets which of those dates they monitored. Volunteers are asked to sample on the primary date unless there are safety concerns about being at the stream site (e.g., tornado, lightning, dangerously high flows) or a personal or family emergency. The goal is to monitor at the same time each month, about 30 days after the last monitoring visit. Volunteers are instructed to enter data into the Surface Water Integrated Monitoring System (SWIMS) database by the end of each month and to immediately report extreme conditions that may be hazardous to aquatic life to their local DNR or County biologist. Parameters measured monthly include: dissolved oxygen (concentration), dissolved oxygen (saturation), streamflow, transparency, temperature (instantaneous and/or continuous measurements), and sometimes pH. In addition, macroinvertebrates (Biotic Index) are assessed twice per year and habitat conditions are assessed once per year. Some volunteers monitor specific

conductance, chloride, total phosphorus, E. coli, or other parameters.

QA Measures: For advanced volunteers, a WAV staff person, local coordinator or authorized representative visits with 10% of volunteers

annually to conduct side-by-side monitoring. The goal of field QA checks is to check that volunteers are properly calibrating their meters (if used) and following the sampling methods correctly. Staff members conducting QA checks also ensure that equipment is functioning properly and answer any volunteer questions or concerns. A Data Manager runs regular (monthly whenever possible) database queries throughout the field season to evaluate the quality of data entered

into the database and follow-up with volunteers to address anomalies that are identified.

**People** 

Name Role **Status Start Date End Date** Organization Comments

Dizack, Scott and Maya TEAM\_MEMBER ACTIVE 03/16/2009 Pewaukee Area

Monitors

**Project Statuses** 

Date Reported By Status Comments

**Actions** 

Action **Detailed Description** Start **End Date** Status

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Action **Detailed Description End Date** Start **Status** 

Citizen-Based Stream Monitoring Collect chemical, physical, and/or biological 01/01/2012

overall stream health. The data can inform management decisions and may be used to identify impaired waters for biennial lists.

**IN\_PROGRESS** water quality data to assess the current

**Monitoring Stations** 

Station ID Name Comments

10029871 Dominican Creek at Lake Michigan

**Assessment Units** 

**WBIC** Segment **Local Name Official Name** 3000518 Dominican Creek Unnamed 1

**Lab Account Codes** 

**End Date Account Code Description Start Date** 

**Forms** 

**Form Code Form Name** 

WAV\_2015 WAV Stream Monitoring 2015

**Methods** 

**Method Code** Description

CBSM\_PP\_FIELD\_METHODS CBSM Stream Monitoring YSI DO Meter 2009

**Fieldwork Events** 

Start Date	Status	Field ID	Station ID	Station Name
09/24/2006 11:00	COMPLETE		10029871	Dominican Creek at Lake Michigan
09/24/2006 11:00	COMPLETE		10029871	Dominican Creek at Lake Michigan
11/05/2006 15:30	COMPLETE		10029871	Dominican Creek at Lake Michigan
11/05/2006 15:30	COMPLETE		10029871	Dominican Creek at Lake Michigan
03/11/2007 15:30	COMPLETE		10029871	Dominican Creek at Lake Michigan
07/01/2007 11:30	COMPLETE		10029871	Dominican Creek at Lake Michigan
08/18/2007 12:15	COMPLETE		10029871	Dominican Creek at Lake Michigan
10/20/2007 14:00	COMPLETE		10029871	Dominican Creek at Lake Michigan
03/14/2008 18:30	COMPLETE		10029871	Dominican Creek at Lake Michigan
06/16/2008 18:30	COMPLETE		10029871	Dominican Creek at Lake Michigan
06/28/2008 12:30	COMPLETE		10029871	Dominican Creek at Lake Michigan
07/20/2008 16:30	COMPLETE		10029871	Dominican Creek at Lake Michigan
09/06/2008 11:30	COMPLETE		10029871	Dominican Creek at Lake Michigan
11/01/2008 14:15	COMPLETE		10029871	Dominican Creek at Lake Michigan
11/15/2008 15:45	COMPLETE		10029871	Dominican Creek at Lake Michigan
03/14/2009 13:30	COMPLETE		10029871	Dominican Creek at Lake Michigan
03/14/2009 13:30	COMPLETE		10029871	Dominican Creek at Lake Michigan
05/02/2009 12:15	COMPLETE		10029871	Dominican Creek at Lake Michigan
05/02/2009 12:15	COMPLETE		10029871	Dominican Creek at Lake Michigan
06/21/2009 11:15	COMPLETE		10029871	Dominican Creek at Lake Michigan

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08/23/2012 17:15	COMPLETE		10029871	Dominican Creek at Lake Michigan
10/21/2012 14:40	COMPLETE		10029871	Dominican Creek at Lake Michigan
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07/14/2013 09:40	COMPLETE		10029871	Dominican Creek at Lake Michigan
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06/24/2014 14:38	COMPLETE		10029871	Dominican Creek at Lake Michigan
08/19/2014 19:03	COMPLETE		10029871	Dominican Creek at Lake Michigan
09/14/2014 10:30	COMPLETE		10029871	Dominican Creek at Lake Michigan
03/12/2015 13:22	COMPLETE		10029871	Dominican Creek at Lake Michigan
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Title Description Author Published Comments

Budget

November 20, 2019

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<b>Combined Budgets:</b>
Combined SLOH:
Combined Total:

Funding				
Organization	Source	Туре	Amount Start Date	End Date