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RE: Approval of Total Maximum Daily Load for Upper Chariton River Watershed

This letter responds to the *Escherichia coli* Total Maximum Daily Load submission from the Iowa Department of Natural Resources for the Upper Chariton River watershed. The final TMDL document was received by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region 7 on April 18, 2024. This submission fulfills the Clean Water Act statutory requirements to develop TMDLs for impairments listed on a state’s 303(d) list. The specific impairment (water quality limited segment and cause) is:

| <b>Water Body Name</b>           | <b>WBID</b>    | <b>Cause</b>   |
|----------------------------------|----------------|----------------|
| <i>Chariton River</i>            | IA 05-CHA-1307 | <i>E. coli</i> |
| <i>Chariton River</i>            | IA 05-CHA-1308 | <i>E. coli</i> |
| <i>Chariton River</i>            | IA 05-CHA-1310 | <i>E. coli</i> |
| <i>Chariton River</i>            | IA 05-CHA-1311 | <i>E. coli</i> |
| <i>Chariton River</i>            | IA 05-CHA-1312 | <i>E. coli</i> |
| <i>Chariton River</i>            | IA 05-CHA-1313 | <i>E. coli</i> |
| <i>Honey Creek</i>               | IA 05-CHA-1337 | <i>E. coli</i> |
| <i>Honey Creek</i>               | IA 05-CHA-2019 | <i>E. coli</i> |
| <i>Wolf Creek</i>                | IA 05-CHA-1339 | <i>E. coli</i> |
| <i>Fivemile Creek</i>            | IA 05-CHA-1341 | <i>E. coli</i> |
| <i>South Fork Chariton River</i> | IA 05-CHA-1327 | <i>E. coli</i> |
| <i>South Fork Chariton River</i> | IA 05-CHA-1328 | <i>E. coli</i> |
| <i>Walker Branch</i>             | IA 05-CHA-1329 | <i>E. coli</i> |
| <i>Jordan Creek</i>              | IA 05-CHA-1330 | <i>E. coli</i> |
| <i>Jackson Creek</i>             | IA 05-CHA-1332 | <i>E. coli</i> |
| <i>Ninemile Creek</i>            | IA 05-CHA-1335 | <i>E. coli</i> |

The EPA has completed its review of the TMDL document and supporting information. By this letter, the EPA approves the TMDL submitted under §303(d). Enclosed with this letter is Region 7's TMDL Decision Document summarizing the rationale for the EPA's approval of the TMDLs.

Although the EPA does not review the implementation plan submitted by the state for approval, the EPA acknowledges the state's efforts. The EPA understands the state may use the monitoring plan to gauge the effectiveness of the TMDL and determine if future revisions are necessary and appropriate to meet applicable water quality standards. The implementation plan in Section 7 of the TMDL document provides information regarding implementation efforts necessary to achieve the loading reductions identified.

The EPA appreciates the thoughtful effort that the Iowa DNR has put into these TMDLs. We will continue to cooperate and assist, as appropriate, in future efforts by the Iowa DNR to develop TMDLs. If you have any questions, contact Madison Stieg, of my staff, at (913) 551-7354.

Sincerely,

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Region 7  
Total Maximum Daily Load Approval**



**Upper Chariton River  
Iowa**

***Escherichia coli***

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**EPA Region 7 TMDL Review**

**Submittal Date | Initial: 10/10/2020  
Final: 04/18/2024**

**Approved: Yes**

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| <b>ATTAINs Identifier</b> | IA 05-CHA-1327<br>IA 05-CHA-1328<br>IA 05-CHA-1330<br>IA 05-CHA-1332<br>IA 05-CHA-1335<br>IA 05-CHA-1329<br>IA 05-CHA-1310<br>IA 05-CHA-1311<br>IA 05-CHA-1312<br>IA 05-CHA-1307<br>IA 05-CHA-1308<br>IA 05-CHA-1313<br>IA 05-CHA-1337<br>IA 05-CHA-1339<br>IA 05-CHA-1341<br>IA 05-CHA-2019 |
| <b>State</b>              | Iowa   |
| <b>Document Name</b>      | Upper Chariton River Watershed TMDL for Pathogen Indicators ( <i>E. coli</i> )   |
| <b>Basin(s)</b>           | South Fork Chariton River<br>Wolf Creek-Chariton River<br>Cooper Creek - Chariton River  |
| <b>HUC(s)</b>             | 1028020101<br>1028020102<br>1028020104   |
| <b>Water body(ies)</b>    | Chariton River<br>South Fork Chariton River  |
| <b>Tributary(ies)</b>     | Jordan Creek<br>Jackson Creek<br>Ninemile Creek<br>Walker Branch<br>Chariton Creek<br>Honey Creek<br>Wolf Creek<br>Fivemile Creek<br>Honey Creek   |
| <b>Number of Segments</b> | 16   |

**Number of Segments for Protection 303(d)(3)** 0  
**Causes** Recreational Use Impairment for *Escherichia coli*

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**Submittal Letter and Total Maximum Daily Load Revisions**

*The state submittal letter indicates final TMDL(s) for specific pollutant(s) and water(s) were adopted by the state and submitted to the EPA for approval under Section 303(d) of the Clean Water Act [40 CFR § 130.7(c)(1)]. Include date submitted letter was received by the EPA, date of receipt of any revisions and the date of original approval if submittal is a revised TMDL document.*

The TMDL document was initially submitted by the Iowa Department of Natural Resources (Iowa DNR) to Region 7 of the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency on October 10, 2020. Following comments from the EPA, the TMDL was revised, re-public noticed, and resubmitted to the EPA on November 21, 2023. Following additional comments from the EPA, Iowa DNR resubmitted the TMDL on December 21, 2023, and April 18, 2024. The EPA approves the most recent version of the TMDL document submitted on April 18, 2024.

**Water Quality Standards Attainment**

*The targeted pollutant is validated and identified through assessment and data. The waterbody’s loading capacity for the applicable pollutant is identified and the rationale for the method used to establish the cause-and-effect relationship between the numeric target and the identified pollutant sources is described. The TMDL(s) and associated allocations are set at levels adequate to result in attainment of applicable water quality standards [40 CFR § 130.7(c)(1)]. A statement that the WQS will be attained is made.*

The targeted pollutant is validated as the listed pollutant, *Escherichia coli* (*E. coli*). The TMDL document covers 16 stream segments in the Upper Chariton River Basin. All water bodies are impaired for primary contact recreation, or Class A1, use by *E. coli* except for Honey Creek (05-CHA-1337), which is impaired for secondary contact recreation, or Class A2, use by *E. coli*. The *E. coli* criteria for both primary and secondary uses apply during the recreation season from March 15 through November 15 (567 Iowa Administrative Code, Chapter 61, (IAC)).

The loading capacity for Class A1 for each water body is set as the maximum number of *E. coli* organisms that can be in the stream while meeting the geometric mean (GM) criterion of 126 organisms per 100 milliliters (orgs/100 ml) and single sample maximum (SSM) of 235 orgs/100 ml or less. Class A2 designated use streams have a limit of 630 orgs/100 ml and 2,880 orgs/100 ml for the GM and SSM. The loading capacity is calculated by multiplying the respective water quality standard by the mean daily stream flow, yielding a flow-variable loading capacity. The current loads for each waterbody are calculated by multiplying an observed *E. coli* concentration by the mean daily stream flow. The current load is plotted with the loading capacity for each steam segment to determine when loading capacity exceedances occur.

The loads across the range of flow conditions for each of the 16 water bodies is given in the TMDL document. As an example, the TMDL summary for one water body is shown in [Example 1](#) below.

*Example 1 TMDL Summary for the Chariton River, Segment IA 05-CHA-1310.*

| <b>Flow condition</b> | <b>High</b> | <b>Wet</b> | <b>Mid-Range</b> | <b>Dry</b> | <b>Low</b> |
|-----------------------|-------------|------------|------------------|------------|------------|
| <i>TMDL (orgs/ml)</i> | 2.05E+12    | 1.29E+11   | 2.93E+10         | 4.40E+09   | 1.47E+08   |
| <i>WLA (orgs/ml)</i>  | 1.33E+07    | 1.33E+07   | 1.33E+07         | 1.33E+07   | 1.33E+07   |
| <i>LA (orgs/ml)</i>   | 1.85E+12    | 1.16E+11   | 2.64E+10         | 3.94E+09   | 1.19E+08   |
| <i>MOS (orgs/ml)</i>  | 2.05E+11    | 1.29E+10   | 2.93E+09         | 4.40E+08   | 1.47E+07   |

The formula to calculate the TMDL is:

$$\text{TMDL} = \text{LC} = \text{WLA} + \text{LA} + \text{MOS}$$

**Where:** TMDL = total maximum daily load  
LC = loading capacity  
WLA = sum of wasteload allocations (point sources)  
LA = sum of load allocations (nonpoint sources)  
MOS = margin of safety (to account for uncertainty)

The targets in this TMDL document are established at a level necessary to attain and maintain water quality standards.

**Designated Use(s), Applicable Water Quality Standard(s) and Numeric Target(s)**

*The submittal describes applicable water quality standards, including beneficial uses, applicable numeric and/or narrative criteria, and a numeric target. If the TMDL(s) is based on a target other than a numeric water quality criterion, then a numeric expression, site specific, if possible, was developed from a narrative criterion and a description of the process used to derive the target is included in the submittal.*

Designated uses are listed for specific segments in the General Report Summary at the beginning of the TMDL document and are again discussed in each HUC section.

The TMDL document identifies the impaired use of Class A1, primary contact recreation, for all of the TMDL document's segments except for Honey Creek (IA 05-CHA-1337) which has the impaired use of Class A2, secondary contact recreation. The submittal includes the appropriate primary and secondary contact recreation numeric criteria applicable to *E. coli* (



*Table 1*). The following designated uses cited in the TMDL document apply for various stream segments:

**Primary Contact Recreational Use – Class A1:**

Waters in which recreational or other uses may result in prolonged and direct contact with the water, involving considerable risk of ingesting water in quantities sufficient to pose a health hazard. Such activities would include, but not be limited to, swimming, diving, water skiing, and water contact recreational canoeing (Iowa Administrative Code 567-61.3(1)(b)(1)).

**Secondary contact recreational use – Class A2:**

Waters in which recreational or other uses may result in contact with the water that is either incidental or accidental. During recreational use, the probability of ingesting appreciable quantities of water is minimal. This includes fishing, commercial, and recreational boating, any limited contact incidental to shoreline activities and activities in which users do not swim or float in the water body while on a boating activity (Iowa Administrative Code 567-61.3(1)(b)(2)).

*Table 1 Numeric bacteria criteria according to Iowa’s EPA-approved water quality standards.*

| <b>Recreational Season</b> | <b>Geometric Mean (orgs/100 ml)</b> | <b>Sample Maximum (orgs/100 ml)</b> |
|----------------------------|-------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| <b>Use Category</b>        | <b>Class A1</b>                     |                                     |
| 03/15 – 11/15              | 126                                 | 235                                 |
| 11/16 – 3/14               | Does not apply                      | Does not apply                      |
| <b>Use Category</b>        | <b>Class A2</b>                     |                                     |
| 03/15 – 11/15              | 630                                 | 2,880                               |
| 11/16 – 3/14               | Does not apply                      | Does not apply                      |

**Aquatic Life – Class B(WW-1) and (WW-2):**

Waters in which temperature, flow and other habitat characteristics are suitable to maintain warm water game fish populations along with a resident aquatic community that includes a variety of native nongame fish and invertebrate species. These waters generally include border rivers, large interior rivers, and the lower segments of medium-size tributary streams (Iowa Administrative Code 567-61.3(1)(b)(6)). Waters in which flow or other habitat characteristics are capable of supporting a resident aquatic community that includes a variety of native nongame fish and invertebrate species. The flow and other physical characteristics limit the maintenance of warm water game fish populations. These waters generally consist of small perennially flowing streams (Iowa Administrative Code 567-61.3(1)(b)(7)).

**Human Health – Class HH:**

Waters in which fish are routinely harvested for human consumption or waters both designated as a drinking water supply and in which fish are routinely harvested for human consumption (Iowa Administrative Code 567-61.3(1)(b)(10)).

**Drinking water supply – Class C:**

Waters which are used as a raw water source of potable water supply (Iowa Administrative Code 567-61.3(1)(b)(11)).

**Antidegradation:**

For antidegradation, the water bodies are all considered Tier 1 waters which indicates that “[e]xisting surface water uses and the level of water quality necessary to protect the existing uses will be maintained and protected” (Iowa Administrative Code 567-61.2(2)(a)).

The applicable numeric criteria and their application are discussed in detail in the section explaining [Water Quality Standards Attainment](#).

**Pollutant(s) of Concern**

*A statement that the relationship is either directly related to a numeric water quality standard, or established using surrogates and translations to a narrative WQS is included. An explanation and analytical basis for expressing the TMDL(s) through surrogate measures, or by translating a narrative water quality standard to a numeric target is provided (e.g., parameters such as percent fines and turbidity for sediment impairments, or chlorophyll-a and phosphorus loadings for excess algae). For each identified pollutant, the submittal describes the analytical basis for conclusions, allocations, and a margin of safety that do not exceed the loading capacity. If the submittal is a revised TMDL document, there are refined relationships linking the load to water quality standard attainment. If there is an increase in the TMDL(s), there is a refined relationship specified to validate that increase (either load*

*allocation or wasteload allocation). This section will compare and validate the change in targeted load between the versions.*

There is a direct link between the numeric WQS and the targeted *E. coli* pollutant. The TMDL document targets fully supporting the primary or secondary contact recreation WQS for *E. coli*, as appropriate.

An *E. coli* TMDL is developed for each waterbody using a load duration curve method calculated based upon the appropriate GM, SSM, and mean daily flows. This yields a loading capacity for each impaired segment in terms of organisms per day across a range of flow conditions. The targets in the TMDL document are established at a level necessary to attain and maintain WQS.

### **Source Analysis**

*Important assumptions made in developing the TMDL document, such as assumed distribution of land use in the watershed, population characteristics, wildlife resources, and other relevant information affecting the characterization of the pollutant of concern and its allocation to sources, are described. Point, nonpoint, and background sources of pollutants of concern are described, including magnitude and location of the sources. The submittal demonstrates all significant sources have been considered. If this is a revised TMDL document any new sources or removed sources will be specified and explained.*

*In the absence of a national pollutant discharge elimination system permit, the discharges associated with sources were applied to the load allocation, as opposed to the wasteload allocation, for purposes of this TMDL document. The decision to allocate these sources to the LA does not reflect any determination by the EPA as to whether these discharges are, in fact, unpermitted point source discharges within this watershed. In addition, by establishing these TMDL(s) with some sources treated as LAs, the EPA is not determining that these discharges are exempt from NPDES permitting requirements. If sources of the allocated pollutant in this TMDL document are found to be, or become, NPDES-regulated discharges, their loads must be considered as part of the calculated sum of the WLAs in this TMDL document. Any WLA in addition to that allocated here is not available.*

The Upper Chariton River Watershed TMDL document includes nonpoint and point sources of *E. coli*. The watershed area is 525,303 acres and located within the Loess Flats and Till Plains – Central Irregular Plains ecoregion (40a). Each section of the TMDL document presents land use and composition descriptions and source contributions to the impaired segments.

### **Nonpoint Sources:**

All three of the HUC-10 watersheds in the basin include the following nonpoint sources: grazing animals, direct deposition of manure in the streams, land application and subsequent runoff of manure, developed/urban area runoff, wildlife, and faulty septic tank systems. The predominant land uses across the entire basin are row crops and grasslands (69.1%; Table 22.1 of the TMDL), indicating the predominant influence of agricultural practices in this basin. Land use is listed in

*Table 2* below.

Table 2 Land Use (adapted from Table 2.1 in the TMDL document)

| Land Use        | Description                         | Area             |            |
|-----------------|-------------------------------------|------------------|------------|
|                 |                                     | Acres            | Percent    |
| Grassland       | Both pasture and ungrazed grassland | 179,542.2        | 34.2       |
| Row Crops       | Corn, Soybeans, and others          | 183,144.2        | 34.9       |
| Forest/Timber   | All forested areas                  | 107,064.0        | 20.4       |
| Water/Wetlands  | Ponds, lakes, and wetlands          | 21,304.1         | 4.1        |
| Urban/Developed | Includes all developed areas        | 23,750.9         | 4.5        |
| Alfalfa/Hay     | Alfalfa and Hay                     | 10,083.8         | 1.9        |
| Barren          | Barren land                         | 414.1            | <0.1       |
| <b>Total</b>    |                                     | <b>525,303.3</b> | <b>100</b> |

**Point Sources:**

Point sources include municipal wastewater treatment facilities, unsewered communities, private facilities operating under an NPDES general permit, and concentrated animal feeding operations (CAFOs). The TMDL document identifies 14 NPDES permitted facilities, eight unsewered communities, 10 CAFOs, and 10 private systems operating under General Permit #4 (GP#4) in the three HUC-10 watersheds.

Of the 14 NPDES permitted facilities, the following treatment types are included in the Upper Chariton River Watershed:

1. *Aerated Lagoons (AL):*

Lagoon system that utilizes aeration to enhance oxygen transfer and promotes mixing in the cell. Aeration specifically refers to the initial contact between air and water ([Table 3](#); Iowa Administrative Code 567-81.1(455B)).

Table 3 WWTFs (ALs) in Upper Chariton River Watershed (Adapted from Appendix C of the TMDL)

| Aerated Lagoon       | Impaired Waterbody | NPDES/AFO ID |
|----------------------|--------------------|--------------|
| Corydon City of STP  | IA 05-CHA-1332     | 9334004      |
| Humeston City of STP | IA 05-CHA-1312     | 9348001      |
| Russell City of STP  | IA 05-CHA-1337     | 5939001      |

2. *Activated Sludge (AS):*

Biological wastewater treatment process that involves agitating and aerating a mixture of wastewater and sludge floc (created in raw or settled wastewater by microorganism growth) with dissolved oxygen. This is followed by sedimentation ([Table 4](#); Iowa Administrative Code 567-81.1(455B)).

Table 4 WWTFs (AS) in Upper Chariton River Watershed (Adapted from Appendix C of the TMDL)

| Activated Sludge               | Impaired Waterbody | NPDES/AFO ID |
|--------------------------------|--------------------|--------------|
| Centerville City of STP (East) | IA 05-CHA-1308     | 0407003      |
| Centerville City of STP (West) | IA 05-CHA-1308     | 0407004      |

3. *Waste Stabilization Lagoon (WSL):*

Excavation designed and constructed to receive raw or pretreated wastewater for stabilization through several natural, self-purification processes. This includes both anaerobic and aerobic lagoons (*Table 5*; Iowa Administrative Code 567-81.1(455B)).

*Table 5 WWTFs (WSL) in Upper Chariton River Watershed (Adapted from Appendix C of the TMDL)*

| <b>Waste Stabilization Lagoon</b>     | <b>Impaired Waterbody</b> | <b>NPDES/AFO ID</b> |
|---------------------------------------|---------------------------|---------------------|
| <i>Exline, City of STP</i>            | IA 05-CHA-1307            | 0426001             |
| <i>Allerton City of STP (North)</i>   | IA 05-CHA-1332            | 9303003             |
| <i>Promise City, City of STP</i>      | IA 05-CHA-1308            | 9350001             |
| <i>Seymour City of STP</i>            | IA 05-CHA-1308            | 9368001             |
| <i>Iowa DNR Rathbun Fish Hatchery</i> | IA 05-CHA-1308            | 0400913             |
| <i>Plano, Iowa</i>                    | IA 05-CHA-1308            | 0484001             |
| <i>Mystic City of STP</i>             | IA 05-CHA-1308            | 0477001             |
| <i>Derby City of STP</i>              | IA 05-CHA-1311            | 5909001             |

4. *Other Types of WWTF:*

The Rathbun Regional Water Association (RRWA) is a water treatment facility and is not permitted to discharge *E. coli* in its effluent (*Table 6*). Its NPDES permit allows land application of treated wastewater and does not allow discharge to surface water.

*Table 6 WWTFs (Other Types) in Upper Chariton River Watershed (Adapted from Appendix C of the TMDL)*

| <b>Other Types</b>                        | <b>Impaired Waterbody</b> | <b>NPDES /AFO ID</b> |
|---|---------------------------|----------------------|
| <i>Rathbun Regional Water Association</i> | IA 05-CHA-1308            | 0400918              |

5. *Unsewered Communities (UNSWD):*

In total, there are eight unsewered communities located within the Upper Chariton River Watershed (*Table 7*; *Table C.17* of the TMDL). Unsewered communities are accounted for in this TMDL as a reserve because they may eventually become sewerred and contribute to a discharge within the watershed.

*Table 7 Unsewered Communities in the Upper Chariton River Watershed*

| <b>Unsewered Community</b> | <b>Impaired Waterbody</b> | <b>Population</b> |
|----------------------------|---------------------------|-------------------|
| <i>Le Roy</i>              | IA 05-CHA-1312            | 14                |
| <i>Confidence</i>          | IA 05-CHA-1329            | 16                |
| <i>Millerton</i>           | IA 05-CHA-1330            | 48                |
| <i>Cambria</i>             | IA 05-CHA-1335            | 44                |
| <i>Darbyville</i>          | IA 05-CHA-1308            | 30                |
| <i>Rathbun</i>             | IA 05-CHA-1308            | 88                |
| <i>Jerome</i>              | IA 05-CHA-1308            | 34                |
| <i>Numa</i>                | IA 05-CHA-1308            | 109               |

6. *Concentrated Feeding Animal Operations (CAFOs):*

The state has determined there are 10 CAFOs meeting criteria to require a federal NPDES permit in the Upper Chariton River Watershed, and each facility has a WLA of zero (*Table 8*). Any AFOs that do not currently have a NPDES permit were not included in this WLA. Should future development of CAFOs occur, they will also have WLAs of zero. Any new source or new discharge that will cause or contribute to the violation of WQS must comply with 40 CFR 122.4(i) and demonstrate there are sufficient allocations to allow for the discharge. For unpermitted large CAFOs, a precipitation-related discharge of manure, litter, or process wastewater from land application areas under the control of the CAFO shall be considered an agricultural stormwater discharge only where land application has been in accordance with site-specific management practices that ensure appropriate agricultural utilization of the nutrients and recordkeeping requirements have been met. See 40 CFR 122.23(e).

Any CAFO that does not obtain an NPDES permit must operate as a no-discharge facility. A discharge from an unpermitted CAFO is a violation of Section 301 of the Clean Water Act. It is the EPA’s position that all CAFOs should obtain an NPDES permit because it provides clarity of compliance requirements. This TMDL document does not reflect a determination by the EPA that such facilities do not meet the definition of a CAFO nor that the facility does not need to obtain a permit. To the contrary, a CAFO that discharges has a duty to obtain a permit. Moreover, the EPA recommends that the state use its Clean Water Act inspection, permitting, CAFO designation, and enforcement authorities to ensure that all AFOs that should be regulated are required to have NPDES permits. If it is determined that any such operation is a CAFO that discharges, any future WLA assigned to the facility must not result in an exceedance of the sum of the WLAs in the TMDL document as approved.

*Table 8 CAFOs in Upper Chariton River Watershed (Adapted from Appendix C of the TMDL)*

| <b>CAFO/AFO</b>                        | <b>HUC 10 Watershed</b>     | <b>Segment(s)</b> | <b>NPDES/CAFO ID</b> |
|--|-----------------------------|-------------------|----------------------|
| Alexander David & Ewing Family Farm LC | Wolf Creek – Chariton River | IA 05-CHA-1310    | 58437                |
| Wayne Finisher Farm                    | Wolf Creek – Chariton River | IA 05-CHA-1311    | 69152                |
| Derby Sow Farm S034                    | Wolf Creek – Chariton River | IA 05-CHA-1311    | 69194                |
| Last Chance Sow Farm                   | Wolf Creek – Chariton River | IA 05-CHA-1312    | 60069                |
| Smyrna Sow Farm                        | Wolf Creek – Chariton River | IA 05-CHA-1312    | 69833                |
| Hooper Sow Farm                        | Wolf Creek – Chariton River | IA 05-CHA-1312    | 71345                |
| Iowa Quality Farms LC                  | Wolf Creek – Chariton River | IA 05-CHA-1313    | 59925                |
| Lucas Gilt Developer Unit              | Wolf Creek – Chariton River | IA 05-CHA-1341    | 60671                |
| Paul Alexander Farms                   | South Fork Chariton River   | IA 05-CHA-1329    | 62619                |
| Double A Park Inc                      | South Fork Chariton River   | IA 05-CHA-1329    | 63942                |

7. *General Permit Number 4 (GP #4):*

Facilities that fall under this permit are private systems that treat domestic waste from commercial and residential properties only and serve a population of 16 people or less. The owner of the discharging facility is required to sample the discharge from the site as least twice a year and maintain sampling records (

*Table 9*; Iowa Administrative Code 567-61.2(2)(a).



*Table 9 List of General Permit Number 4 (GP #4) (Adapted from Appendix C of the TMDL)*

| <b># of Permitted Facilities</b> | <b>HUC 10 Watershed</b>       | <b>Segment(s)</b> |
|----------------------------------|-------------------------------|-------------------|
| 3                                | Wolf Creek – Chariton River   | IA 05-CHA-1310    |
| 2                                | Wolf Creek – Chariton River   | IA 05-CHA-1311    |
| 1                                | Wolf Creek – Chariton River   | IA 05-CHA-1312    |
| 1                                | Wolf Creek – Chariton River   | IA 05-CHA-1337    |
| 2                                | Wolf Creek – Chariton River   | IA 05-CHA-1339    |
| 1                                | Cooper Creek – Chariton River | IA 05-CHA-1308    |

In addition to these permitted sources, the TMDL notes additional potential point sources of *E. coli*, such as municipal separate storm sewer systems (MS4s), sanitary sewer overflows (SSOs), and illicit discharges. This watershed has no MS4s; however, SSOs and illicit connections may occur, though these activities should be eliminated.

As submitted, the TMDL document contains a complete listing of all known pollutant sources.

**Allocation - Loading Capacity**

*The submittal identifies appropriate loading capacities, wasteload allocations for point sources, and load allocations for nonpoint sources. If no point sources are present, the WLA is stated as zero. If no nonpoint sources are present, the LA is stated as zero [40 CFR § 130.2(i)]. If this is a revised TMDL document the change in loading capacity will be documented in this section. All TMDLs must give a daily number, establishing TMDL “daily” loads consistent with the U.S. Court of Appeals for the D.C. circuit decision in Friends of the Earth, Inc. v. EPA, et al., No. 05-5015, (April 25, 2006).*

The loading capacities for the segments included in the TMDL document are calculated to attain WQS for *E. coli* for primary and secondary contact uses. The loading capacity of each TMDL segment is the maximum number of *E. coli* organisms that can be in the stream while meeting the WQS. These loading capacities establish a maximum pollutant load across a range of flows for each impaired segment. The data for each impaired segment included in this TMDL document includes existing loads; loading capacity to meet WQS; and WLA, LA, and MOS allocations for each waterbody.

*E. coli* LCs in the TMDL document were developed using a Load Duration Curve (LDC) framework. The LDC relates pollutant loads in a stream to the stream flow percent exceedance and is developed by multiplying stream flow with the water quality target and a conversion factor. For this TMDL, LDCs are calculated from mean daily flows and the GM and SSM criteria. This framework presents the LC, existing loads, and the frequency and magnitude of WQS exceedances across a range of flow conditions.

The daily TMDL at the midpoint of each flow range for all impaired segments are found in Tables 4.20 (segments located in the Wolf Creek-Chariton River HUC-10), 5.17 (segments located in the South Fork Chariton River HUC-10), and 6.9 (segments in the Cooper Creek-Chariton River HUC-10). An example is provided in the [Water Quality Standards Attainment](#) section of this document.

**Wasteload Allocation**

*The submittal lists individual wasteload allocations for each identified point source [40 CFR § 130.2(h)]. If a WLA is not assigned it must be shown that the discharge does not cause or contribute to a water*

quality standard excursion, the source is contained in a general permit addressed by the TMDL, or extenuating circumstances exist which prevent assignment of individual WLA. Any such exceptions must be explained to a satisfactory degree. If a WLA of zero is assigned to any facility it must be stated as such [40 CFR § 130.2(i)]. If this is a revised TMDL document, any differences between the original TMDL(s) WLA and the revised WLA will be documented in this section.

The WLAs for point sources for each segment are organized in the TMDL document into three sections by each of the three HUC-10 watersheds (Tables 3-5 of the TMDL). In each section there is a description and table for segments found in that watershed and the source data is presented. The WLAs by HUC-10 are summarized in *Table 10*, *Table 11*, and *Table 12* below.

*Table 10 Wasteload Allocation for Wolf Creek – Chariton River (Adapted from Table 4.4 of the TMDL)*

| <b>Facility Type</b> | <b># of Facilities</b> | <b>Flow (MGD)</b> | <b>GM Conc (orgs/100ml)</b> | <b>GM Load (orgs/day)</b> | <b>SSM Conc (orgs/100ml)</b> | <b>SSM Load (orgs/day)</b> |
|----------------------|------------------------|-------------------|-----------------------------|---------------------------|------------------------------|----------------------------|
| WWTF                 | 3                      | 0.715             | 126                         | 3.41E+09                  | 235                          | 3.60E+09                   |
| Unsewered            | 1                      | 0.0014            | 126                         | 6.68E+06                  | 235                          | 1.25E+07                   |
| CAFO                 | 8                      | 0                 | 126                         | 0.00E+00                  | 235                          | 0.00E+00                   |
| GP #4                | 9                      | 0.00435           | 235                         | 3.87E+07                  | 235                          | 3.87E+07                   |
| <b>Total</b>         | <b>21</b>              | <b>0.7208</b>     | <b>---</b>                  | <b>3.46E+09</b>           | <b>---</b>                   | <b>3.65E+09</b>            |

*Table 11 Wasteload Allocation for South Fork Chariton Rive (Adapted from Table 5.4 of the TMDL)*

| <b>Facility Type</b> | <b># of Facilities</b> | <b>Flow (MGD)</b> | <b>GM Conc (orgs/100ml)</b> | <b>GM Load (orgs/day)</b> | <b>SSM Conc (orgs/100ml)</b> | <b>SSM Load (orgs/day)</b> |
|----------------------|------------------------|-------------------|-----------------------------|---------------------------|------------------------------|----------------------------|
| WWTF                 | 2                      | 1.14              | 126                         | 5.42 E+09                 | 235                          | 1.01E+10                   |
| Unsewered            | 3                      | 0.0108            | 126                         | 5.15 E+07                 | 235                          | 9.61E+07                   |
| CAFO                 | 2                      | 0.00              | 126                         | 0.00E+00                  | 235                          | 0.00E+00                   |
| <b>Total</b>         | <b>7</b>               | <b>1.15</b>       | <b>---</b>                  | <b>5.47E+09</b>           | <b>---</b>                   | <b>1.02E+10</b>            |

*Table 12 Wasteload Allocation for Cooper Creek – Chariton River (Adapted from Table 6.4 of the TMDL)*

| <b>Facility Type</b> | <b># of Facilities</b> | <b>Flow (MGD)</b> | <b>GM Conc (orgs/100ml)</b> | <b>GM Load (orgs/day)</b> | <b>SSM Conc (orgs/100ml)</b> | <b>SSM Load (orgs/day)</b> |
|----------------------|------------------------|-------------------|-----------------------------|---------------------------|------------------------------|----------------------------|
| WWTF                 | 8                      | 4.20              | 126                         | 2.00E+10                  | 235                          | 3.73E+10                   |
| Unsewered            | 4                      | 0.0261            | 126                         | 1.24E+08                  | 235                          | 2.32E+08                   |
| GP #4                | 1                      | 0.00045           | 126                         | 4.00E+06                  | 235                          | 4.00E+06                   |
| <b>Total</b>         | <b>13</b>              | <b>4.22</b>       | <b>---</b>                  | <b>2.01E+10</b>           | <b>---</b>                   | <b>3.76E+10</b>            |

The WLAs for all segments covered by the TMDL document are summarized in the following tables in the TMDL:

- 4.20 (segments located in the Wolf Creek-Chariton River Basin (HUC-10),
- 5.17 (segments located in the South Fork Chariton River HUC-10), and
- 6.9 (segments in the Cooper Creek-Chariton River HUC-10).

A WLA was calculated for the GM criterion (126 orgs/100 ml) and SSM criterion (235 orgs/100 ml) for each discharging facility with the exception of the GP #4 facilities, which only have the SSM criterion in the permit. Unsewered communities typically do not discharge and are considered nonpoint sources; however, for this TMDL a reserve WLA was calculated for each unsewered community and may be applied to a permit should the community become sewerred and require a discharge permit. Any new source or discharger must not discharge to the waters protected by this TMDL unless its construction or operation will not cause or contribute to the impairment addressed by this TMDL. Specific WLA and facility IDs for each permitted facility are in [Table 13](#) and Appendix C of the TMDL Document.

*Table 13 WLA for all Facilities (Adapted from Appendix C of the TMDL)*

| <b>Facility Name</b>                             | <b>Design Flow (MGD)</b> | <b>GM Conc (orgs/100ml)</b> | <b>WLA (orgs/day)</b> | <b>SSM Conc (orgs/100ml)</b> | <b>SSM Load (orgs/day)</b> |
|--|--------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------|------------------------------|----------------------------|
| <i>Corydon City of STP</i>                       | 0.936                    | 126                         | 4.46E+09              | 235                          | 8.33E+09                   |
| <i>Humeston City of STP</i>                      | 0.270                    | 126                         | 1.29E+09              | 235                          | 2.40E+09                   |
| <i>Russell City of STP</i>                       | 0.31                     | 126                         | 1.48E+09              | ---                          | ---                        |
| <i>Centerville City of STP (East)</i>            | 1.50                     | 126                         | 7.15E+09              | 235                          | 1.33E+10                   |
| <i>Centerville City of STP (West)</i>            | 0.41                     | 126                         | 1.96E+09              | 235                          | 3.65E+9                    |
| <i>Exline, City of STP</i>                       | 0.0206                   | 126                         | 9.83E+08              | 235                          | 1.83E+09                   |
| <i>Allerton City of STP (North)</i>              | 0.02                     | 126                         | 9.54E+08              | 235                          | 1.78E+09                   |
| <i>Promise City, City of STP</i>                 | 0.0126                   | 126                         | 6.01E+08              | 235                          | 1.12E+09                   |
| <i>Seymour City of STP</i>                       | 0.11                     | 126                         | 5.25E+09              | 235                          | 9.79E+09                   |
| <i>Iowa DNR Rathbun Fish Hatchery</i>            | 0.008                    | 126                         | 3.82E+08              | 235                          | 7.12E+08                   |
| <i>Plano, Iowa</i>                               | 0.006                    | 126                         | 2.86E+08              | 235                          | 5.34E+08                   |
| <i>Mystic City of STP</i>                        | 0.071                    | 126                         | 3.39E+09              | 235                          | 6.32E+09                   |
| <i>Derby City of STP</i>                         | 0.0135                   | 126                         | 6.44E+08              | 235                          | 1.20 E+09                  |
| <i>DNR Honey Creek State Park - IA OP Permit</i> | 0.011                    | ---                         | ---                   | ---                          | ---                        |
| <i>Rathbun Regional Water Association</i>        | 0.038                    | ---                         | ---                   | ---                          | ---                        |
| <b>Unsewered Communities</b>                     | <b>Design Flow (GPD)</b> | <b>GM Conc (orgs/100ml)</b> | <b>WLA (orgs/day)</b> | <b>SSM Conc (orgs/100ml)</b> | <b>SSM Load (orgs/day)</b> |
| <i>Le Roy</i>                                    | 1,400                    | 126                         | 6.68E+06              | 235                          | 1.25E+07                   |
| <i>Confidence</i>                                | 1,600                    | 126                         | 7.63E+06              | 235                          | 1.42E+07                   |
| <i>Millerton</i>                                 | 4,800                    | 126                         | 2.29E+007             | 235                          | 4.27E+07                   |
| <i>Cambria</i>                                   | 4,400                    | 126                         | 2.10E+07              | 235                          | 3.91E+07                   |
| <i>Darbyville</i>                                | 3,000                    | 126                         | 1.43E+07              | 235                          | 2.67E+07                   |
| <i>Rathbun</i>                                   | 8,800                    | 126                         | 4.20E+07              | 235                          | 7.83E+07                   |
| <i>Jerome</i>                                    | 3,400                    | 126                         | 1.62E+07              | 235                          | 3.02E+07                   |
| <i>Numa</i>                                      | 3,000                    | 126                         | 5.20E+07              | 235                          | 9.70E+07                   |
| <b>GP #4 Facility Name</b>                       | <b>Design Flow (GPD)</b> | <b>GM Conc (orgs/100ml)</b> | <b>WLA (orgs/day)</b> | <b>SSM Conc (orgs/100ml)</b> | <b>SSM Load (orgs/day)</b> |
| <i>3 Permitted Facilities</i>                    | 1,500                    | ---                         | ---                   | 235                          | 1.33E+07                   |
| <i>2 Permitted Facilities</i>                    | 1050                     | ---                         | ---                   | 235                          | 9.34E+06                   |
| <i>1 Permitted Facilities</i>                    | 600                      | ---                         | ---                   | 235                          | 5.34E+06                   |

| <b>Facility Name</b>   | <b>Design Flow<br/>(MGD)</b> | <b>GM Conc<br/>(orgs/100ml)</b> | <b>WLA<br/>(orgs/day)</b> | <b>SSM Conc<br/>(orgs/100ml)</b> | <b>SSM Load<br/>(orgs/day)</b> |
|------------------------|------------------------------|---------------------------------|---------------------------|----------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| 1 Permitted Facilities | 300                          | ---                             | ---                       | 235                              | 2.67E+06                       |
| 2 Permitted Facilities | 900                          | ---                             | ---                       | 235                              | 8.01E+06                       |
| 1 Permitted Facilities | 450                          | ---                             | ---                       | 235                              | 4.00E+06                       |

Any facilities without a WLA are summarized in Appendix C.2 of the TMDL. These facilities primarily land apply treated wastewater and do not discharge to surface waters. Additionally, some waterbodies are only impaired for the GM or SSM are given WLAs accordingly.

As noted in Appendix C.1 of the TMDL, regulatory CAFOs are not allowed to discharge, therefore their WLA is zero.

The state must ensure NPDES permits are sufficiently stringent to attain water quality standards and state enforcement ensures compliance with the Clean Water Act, including elimination of SSOs. All SSOs are unpermitted discharges and a violation of Section 301 of the Clean Water Act. No WLAs are assigned to these unauthorized discharges.

### **Load Allocation**

*All nonpoint source loads, natural background, and potential for future growth are included. If no nonpoint sources are identified, the load allocation must be given as zero [40 CFR §130.2(g)]. If this is a revised TMDL document, any differences between the original TMDL(s) LA and the revised LA will be documented in this section.*

Load allocations (LAs) in this TMDL document are set for each impaired segment using load duration curves (LDCs). The LDCs are calculated from mean daily flows and the GM and SSM criterion to establish the load capacity. The LAs are the remaining loading capacity after the WLAs have been assigned. The LCs for all impaired segments are found in tables 4.20 (segments located in the Wolf Creek-Chariton River HUC-10), 5.17 (segments located in the South Fork Chariton River HUC-10), and 6.9 (segments in the Cooper Creek-Chariton River HUC-10).

### **Margin of Safety**

*The submittal describes explicit and/or implicit margins of safety for each pollutant [40 CFR § 130.7(c)(1)]. If the MOS is implicit, the conservative assumptions in the analysis for the MOS are described. If the MOS is explicit, the loadings set aside for the MOS are identified and a rationale for selecting the value for the MOS is provided. If this is a revised TMDL document, any differences in the MOS will be documented in this section.*

The TMDLs for all impaired reaches in this document have a 10% explicit margin of safety (MOS) applied to the LC to account for uncertainties in the TMDL analysis. The TMDL also incorporates implicit MOS because it does not consider dilution to meet WQS nor does it consider bacteria die-off and settling.

The EPA agrees that the state has provided adequate MOS to support the TMDL.

### **Seasonal Variation and Critical Conditions**

*The submittal describes the method for accounting for seasonal variation and critical conditions in the TMDL(s) [40 CFR § 130.7(c)(1)]. Critical conditions are factors such as flow or temperature which may lead to the excursion of the WQS. If this is a revised TMDL document, any differences in conditions will be documented in this section.*

The load duration curve accounts for seasonal variation and critical conditions. For each waterbody in the TMDL document, allocations are developed for a range of flow conditions: High, Wet, Mid-Range, Dry, and Low. These flow conditions account for wet and dry periods and the critical flow range is identified for each waterbody. Current loading indicates that wet flow conditions coincide with samples collected in the spring when there is increased precipitation and runoff. Dry conditions, however, coincide with samples collected in summer when there is less precipitation and point sources and other direct contributions to the waterbody are more dominant.

The use of the contact recreation season from March 15 to November 15 identifies a seasonal critical condition. By calculating and assigning year-round daily loads at all flows using WQS criteria pertinent to this timeframe, the TMDL protects public health during the critical condition of the recreation season.

### **Public Participation**

*The submittal describes required public notice and public comment opportunities and explains how the public comments were considered in the final TMDL(s) [40 CFR § 130.7(c)(1)(ii)].*

The state maintains an active internet web site where it makes TMDL documents available for review by the public. A virtual presentation was posted on Iowa DNR's YouTube channel, and a press release was issued on July 20, 2023, announcing the public comment period for the TMDL. The TMDL document was available for public comment from July 20 to August 21, 2023. No comments were received.

The EPA agrees that the public has had a meaningful opportunity to comment on the TMDL document.

### **Monitoring Plan**

*The TMDL identifies a monitoring plan that describes the additional data to be collected to determine if the load reductions required by the TMDL lead to attainment of water quality standards and a schedule for considering revisions to the TMDL(s) (where a phased approach is used) [40 CFR § 130.7]. If this is a revised TMDL document, monitoring to support the revision will be documented in this section.*

*Although the EPA does not approve the monitoring plan submitted by the state, the EPA acknowledges the state's efforts. The EPA understands that the state may use the monitoring plan to gauge the effectiveness of the TMDLs and determine if future revisions are necessary or appropriate to meet applicable water quality standards.*

The monitoring program and schedule used to generate data for the TMDL include data from the Iowa State University (ISU) and the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) sites. Continued monitoring will evaluate water quality and assess effectiveness of Best Management Practices (BMPs).

Potential monitoring approaches include:

- *E. coli* and flow on a weekly basis;
- microbial source tracking on a snapshot basis;
- continuous event sampling at 15–60-minute intervals; and
- snapshot dry weather sampling for *E. coli* and flow at least twice during low flow conditions.

### **Reasonable Assurance**

*Reasonable assurance only applies when less stringent wasteload allocation are assigned based on the assumption that nonpoint source reductions in the load allocation will be met [40 CFR § 130.2(i)]. This section can also contain statements made by the state concerning the state’s authority to control pollutant loads. States are not required under Section 303(d) of the Clean Water Act to develop TMDL implementation plans, and the EPA does not approve or disapprove them. However, this TMDL document provides information regarding how point and nonpoint sources can or should be controlled to ensure implementation efforts achieve the loading reductions identified in this TMDL document. The EPA recognizes that technical guidance and support are critical to determining the feasibility of and achieving the goals outlined in this TMDL document. Therefore, the discussion of reduction efforts relating to point and nonpoint sources can be found in the implementation section of the TMDL document and are briefly described below.*

*The states have the authority to issue and enforce state operating permits. Inclusion of effluent limits into a state operating permit and requiring that effluent and instream monitoring be reported to the state should provide reasonable assurance that instream water quality standards will be met. Section 301(b)(1)(C) requires that point source permits have effluent limits as stringent as necessary to meet WQS. However, for wasteload allocations to serve that purpose, they must themselves be stringent enough so that (in conjunction with the water body’s other loadings) they meet WQS. This generally occurs when the TMDL(s)’ combined nonpoint source load allocations and point source WLAs do not exceed the WQS-based loading capacity and there is reasonable assurance that the TMDL(s)’ allocations can be achieved. Discussion of reduction efforts relating to nonpoint sources can be found in the implementation section of the TMDL document.*

This TMDL document gives loads to both point and nonpoint *E. coli* sources.

Point source WLAs are calculated and assigned to meet WQS. The reasonable assurance for point sources meeting WQS is provided through NPDES permits. The reasonable assurance for nonpoint sources is discussed in the implementation section and includes activities such as local stakeholders working towards implementation of appropriate BMPs, detailed requirements for watershed planning to ensure that 319 applications meet EPA requirements, and available monetary support for nonpoint source pollution reduction.



November 20, 2023

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Subject: Submittal of Upper Chariton River watershed TMDL for EPA approval

Dear Ms. Skelley:

The Iowa Department of Natural Resources (Iowa DNR) has completed the final Upper Chariton River watershed TMDL and is submitting it for U.S. EPA approval. The document includes a total of 16 stream segments that are included on Iowa's 2022 303(d) list. Included are:

Wolf Creek-Chariton River HUC-10 watershed (8 segments)

Chariton River segments (3) - IA-05-CHA-1310, IA-05-CHA-1311, and IA-05-CHA-1312  
Chariton Creek segment – IA-05-CHA-1313  
Honey Creek segment – IA-05-CHA-1337  
Wolf Creek segment - IA-05-CHA-1339  
Fivemile Creek segment - IA-05-CHA-1341  
Honey Creek segment - IA-05-CHA-2019

South Fork Chariton River HUC-10 watershed (6 segments)

South Fork Chariton River segments (2) - IA-05-CHA-1327 and IA-05-CHA-1328  
Walker Branch segment - IA-05-CHA-1329  
Jordan Creek segment - IA-05-CHA-1330  
Jackson Creek segment - IA-05-CHA-1332  
Ninemile Creek segment - IA-05-CHA-1335

Cooper Creek-Chariton River HUC-10 watershed (2 segments)

Chariton River segments (2) - IA-05-CHA-1307 and IA-05-CHA-1308

The draft TMDL was posted on the Iowa DNR's website on July 20, 2023 and comments were accepted from July 20, 2023 to August 21, 2023. A video recording of a standard public meeting presentation was posted to the Iowa DNR's website coincident with the opening of the Public Comment period. The Iowa DNR received no public comments on the draft.

Please accept this document for approval as the completed Upper Chariton River watershed bacteria TMDL.

Sincerely,

Kayla Lyon, Director  
Department of Natural Resources

Enclosures



**Water Quality Improvement Plan  
for the**

**Upper Chariton  
River Watershed**

**Clark, Lucas, Monroe, Decatur, Wayne,  
and Appanoose Counties, Iowa**

**Total Maximum Daily Loads for:  
Pathogen Indicators (*E. coli*)**

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## List of Abbreviations

### Units of measure:

|     |                         |      |                          |
|-----|-------------------------|------|--------------------------|
| ac  | acre                    | m    | meter                    |
| cfs | cubic feet per second   | mg   | milligram                |
| cfu | colony-forming unit     | Mg   | megagram (= 1 mt)        |
| cm  | centimeter              | mi   | mile                     |
| cms | cubic meters per second | ml   | milliliter               |
| d   | day                     | mo   | month                    |
| g   | gram                    | mt   | metric ton (= 1 Mg)      |
| ha  | hectare                 | orgs | <i>E. coli</i> organisms |
| hm  | hectometer              | ppm  | parts per million        |
| hr  | hour                    | ppb  | parts per billion        |
| in  | inch                    | s    | second                   |
| kg  | kilogram                | t    | ton (English)            |
| km  | kilometer               | yd   | yard                     |
| L   | liter                   | yr   | year                     |
| lb  | pound                   |      |                          |

### Other abbreviations:

|                |   |         |  |
|----------------|---|---------|--|
| AFO            | animal feeding operation  | ortho-P | ortho-phosphate  |
| BMP            | best management practice  | P       | phosphorus   |
| Chl-a          | chlorophyll <i>a</i>  | SSM     | single-sample max (pertains to WQS for <i>E. coli</i> , = 235 orgs/100 ml) |
| <i>E. coli</i> | <i>Escherichia coli</i>   | TN      | total nitrogen   |
| GM             | geometric mean (pertains to WQS for <i>E. coli</i> , = 126 orgs/100 ml) | TP      | total phosphorus   |
| LDC            | load duration curve   | WQS     | water quality standard   |
| N              | nitrogen  |         |  |

## General Report Summary

### What is the purpose of this report?

This report serves multiple purposes. First, it is a resource for increased understanding of watershed and water quality conditions in the Upper Chariton River watershed. Second, this report satisfies the Federal Clean Water Act requirement to develop a Total Maximum Daily Load (TMDL) report for all impaired 303(d) waterbodies. Third, it provides a foundation for locally-driven water quality improvements to the Upper Chariton River watershed in an effort to improve water quality. Finally, it may be useful for obtaining financial assistance to implement projects in the Upper Chariton River watershed that will eventually result in water quality improvements to justify removal from the federal 303(d) list of impaired waters.

### What is wrong with the Upper Chariton River?

Five main stem stream segments in the Upper Chariton River and eleven of its tributaries are not supporting either secondary contact recreation or primary contact recreation “designated use” due to high levels of indicator bacteria called *Escherichia coli* (*E. coli*). Secondary contact recreation includes activities that involve indirect or accidental contact with the water such as fishing, boating, and shoreline activities. Primary contact recreation includes activities that involve direct contact with the water such as swimming and wading. High *E. coli* levels in the water can indicate the presence of potentially harmful bacteria and viruses (also called pathogens) that can cause humans to become ill if they come into contact with and/or ingest contaminated water.

### What is causing the problem?

*E. coli* and harmful pathogens found in a waterbody can originate from point or nonpoint sources of pollution, or a combination of both. Point sources of pollution are easily identified sources that enter a waterbody at a distinct location, such as a wastewater treatment plant discharge. Nonpoint sources of pollution are discharged in a more indirect and diffuse manner, and are often more difficult to locate and identify. Nonpoint source pollution is usually carried with rainfall or snowmelt over the surface of the land and into the waterbody.

Both point and nonpoint sources of pollution can be responsible for high *E. coli* levels. Permitted sources include municipal wastewater treatment facilities (WWTF) and discharging onsite wastewater treatment and disposal systems. Onsite wastewater treatment systems are often called septic systems, even though not all systems include a septic tank. Nonpoint sources result from livestock, pets, wildlife, and humans that live, work, and play in the watershed. Specific examples of potential nonpoint sources of bacteria include cattle with direct access to streams, manure applied to row crops, non-permitted onsite wastewater systems, and natural sources such as wildlife.

### What can be done to improve the Upper Chariton River?

To improve the water quality in the Upper Chariton River watershed so that secondary contact recreation and primary contact recreation are fully supported, the amount of *E. coli* entering the stream must be reduced. Accomplishing this will require a combination of land, animal, stormwater, and wastewater management practices. In the rural areas of the watershed, efforts should focus on eliminating livestock access to streams, strategic manure application that considers both timing and application methods, and improving failing onsite wastewater treatment systems to meet state standards.

Urban activities should include the adoption of stormwater BMPs geared specifically to *E. coli* reduction and / or runoff reduction. This approach includes elimination of sanitary sewer overflows (SSOs) and possible illicit sanitary sewer connections, strategic management of wastewater facility discharges (adjustment of discharge timing, disinfection, etc.). Additionally, public outreach and educational programs such as those encouraging pet owners to pick up pet waste may be helpful.

### Who is responsible for a cleaner Upper Chariton River Watershed?

Everyone who lives, works, and plays in the Upper Chariton River watershed has a role to play in improving water quality. Because there are several point sources that discharge *E. coli* in the watershed, these facilities must meet wasteload allocations (WLAs) that will be incorporated into their National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System



(NPDES) permits. Voluntary management of land and animals by private citizens will also be needed to see positive results. The majority of land in the watershed is in agricultural production, and financial assistance is often available from government agencies to individual landowners willing to adopt best management practices (BMPs). Rural homeowners can have their septic systems inspected to ensure they function properly. Failing or malfunctioning systems should be repaired or replaced. Improving water quality in the Upper Chariton River watershed will require a collaborative effort of citizens and agencies with a genuine interest in protecting the streams and rivers now and in the future.

### **Does a TMDL guarantee water quality improvement?**

The Iowa Department of Natural Resources (DNR) recognizes that technical guidance and support are critical to achieving the goals outlined in this Water Quality Improvement Plan (WQIP). The WQIP itself is only a document, and without implementation, will not improve water quality. Therefore, a basic implementation plan is included for use by local agencies, watershed managers, and citizens for decision-making support and planning purposes. This implementation plan should be used as a guide or foundation for detailed and comprehensive planning by local stakeholders.

Reducing pollutants from unregulated nonpoint sources requires voluntary implementation of best management practices. Many practices have benefits to sustained productivity of the land as well as water quality. Quantifying the value of sustainability and other ecosystem services is difficult and those benefits are not commonly recognized. Consequently, wide-spread adoption of voluntary conservation practices is often difficult to achieve. A coordinated watershed improvement effort for each individual stream could address some of these barriers by providing financial assistance, technical resources, and information outreach to landowners to encourage and facilitate adoption of conservation practices.

### **How should this document be used?**

Because this document serves several purposes, not everyone will benefit from the entire document. While EPA will be interested in the technical segments that address the TMDL and loading calculations, for stakeholders in and around the Upper Chariton River watershed, the most pertinent information will be found in sections 6 and 7. These sections address what can be done to improve the water quality in the Upper Chariton River watershed.

## Required Elements of the TMDL

This Water Quality Improvement Plan (WQIP) has been prepared in compliance with the current regulations for TMDL development that were promulgated in 1992 as 40 CFR Part 130.7 in compliance with the Clean Water Act. These regulations and consequent TMDL development are summarized below in Table 1.

**Table 1. Technical Elements of the TMDL.**

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| <p>Name and geographic location of the impaired or threatened waterbody for which the TMDL is being established:</p> | <p><b>South Fork Chariton River HUC 10</b><br/> <u>South Fork Chariton River</u><br/>                 IA 05-CHA-1327<br/>                 IA 05-CHA-1328</p> <p><u>South Fork Chariton Tributaries</u><br/>                 Jordan Creek, IA 05-CHA-1330<br/>                 Jackson Creek, IA 05-CHA-1332<br/>                 Ninemile Creek, IA 05-CHA-1335<br/>                 Walker Branch, IA 05-CHA-1329</p> <p><b>Wolf Creek-Chariton River HUC 10</b><br/> <u>Chariton River</u><br/>                 IA 05-CHA-1310<br/>                 IA 05-CHA-1311<br/>                 IA 05-CHA-1312</p> <p><u>Chariton River Tributaries</u><br/>                 Chariton Creek, IA 05-CHA-1313<br/>                 Honey Creek, IA 05-CHA-1337<br/>                 Wolf Creek, IA 05-CHA-1339<br/>                 Fivemile Creek, IA 05-CHA-1341<br/>                 Honey Creek, IA 05-CHA-2019</p> <p><b>Cooper Creek-Chariton River HUC 10</b><br/>                 Chariton River, IA 05-CHA-1307<br/>                 Chariton River, IA 05-CHA-1308</p> |
| <p>Surface water classification and designated uses:</p>   | <p><b>Class A1 Primary Contact Recreation</b><br/>                 All segments listed above, except Honey Creek: IA 05-CHA-1337</p> <p><b>Class A2 Secondary Contact Recreation</b><br/>                 Honey Creek: IA 05-CHA-1337</p> <p><b>Class B (WW-1) Aquatic Life</b><br/>                 Chariton River: IA 05-CHA-1307, IA 05-CHA-1308, and IA 05-CHA-1312</p> <p>Chariton Creek: IA 05-CHA-1313<br/>                 Honey Creek: IA 05-CHA-2019</p>   |

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|   | <p><b>Class B (WW-2) Aquatic Life</b><br/>Chariton River: IA 05-CHA-1310 and IA 05-CHA-1311<br/>South Fork Chariton River: IA 05-CHA-1327 and IA 05-CHA-1328<br/>Walker Branch: IA 05-CHA-1329<br/>Jordan Creek: IA 05-CHA-1330<br/>Jackson Creek: IA 05-CHA-1332<br/>Ninemile Creek: IA 05-CHA-1335<br/>Wolf Creek: IA 05-CHA-1339<br/>Fivemile Creek: IA 05-CHA-1341<br/>Honey Creek: IA 05-CHA-1337</p> <p><b>Class C (Drinking Water)</b><br/>IA 05-CHA-1308</p> <p><b>Class HH (Human Health)</b><br/>IA 05-CHA-1307<br/>IA 05-CHA-1308</p>  |
| Impaired beneficial uses:   | Class A1 Primary Contact Recreation<br>Class A2 Secondary Contact Recreation<br>(March 15 to November 15)   |
| TMDL Priority Level   | Tier III  |
| Antidegradation Level   | Tier 1  |
| Identification of the pollutant and applicable water quality standards (WQS):   | <p><u>Pathogen Indicator, <i>E. coli</i></u>. Primary contact recreational (Class A1) and secondary contact recreational (Class A2) uses are not supported due to violations of the <i>E. coli</i> Water Quality Standard criteria. Class A1 use <i>E. coli</i> criteria is 126 organisms/100 ml for the geometric mean and 235 organisms/100 ml for the single sample maximum Class A2 use <i>E. coli</i> criteria is 630 organisms/100 ml for the geometric mean and 2,880 organisms/100 ml for the single sample maximum</p> <p>These standards only apply during the recreational season of March 15 - November 15.</p> |
| Quantification of the pollutant load that may be present in the waterbody and still allow attainment and maintenance of water quality standards:  | The target for the Upper Chariton River segments and its tributaries with a Class A1 designated use is an <i>E. coli</i> geometric mean (GM) of 126 organisms/100 ml and a single sample maximum (SSM) of 235 organisms/100 ml. For a Class A2 designated use the target is an <i>E. coli</i> GM of 630 organisms/100 ml and a SSM of 2,880 organisms/100 ml. See Sections 4.3, 5.3, and 6.3  |
| Quantification of the amount or degree by which the current pollutant load in the waterbody, including the pollutant from upstream sources that is being accounted for as background loading, deviates from the pollutant load needed to attain and maintain water quality standards: | The <i>E. coli</i> load departure from capacity has been calculated for five flow recurrence intervals for each impaired segment in the watershed for the GM and the SSM. See Sections 4.3, 5.3, and 6.3  |

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| <p>Identification of pollution source categories:</p>                        | <p>Point sources of bacteria include wastewater treatment facilities (WWTFs), onsite wastewater systems operating under NPDES permits, and sanitary sewer overflows (SSOs).</p> <p>Nonpoint sources of pollution include cattle with direct access to streams, manure application to row crops, failing onsite wastewater treatment systems, and wildlife.</p>  |
| <p>Wasteload allocations (WLA) for pollutants from point sources:</p>        | <p>Pathogen Indicator, <i>E. coli</i>. The wasteload allocations (WLA) for point sources for each segment are listed in Section 4.3, Section 5.3, and Section 6.3.</p>  |
| <p>Load allocations for pollutants from nonpoint sources (NPS):</p>          | <p>Pathogen Indicator, <i>E. coli</i>. The load allocations (LA) for point sources for each segment are listed in Section 4.3, Section 5.3, and Section 6.3.</p>  |
| <p>Margin of safety (MOS):</p>   | <p>Pathogen Indicator, <i>E. coli</i>. An explicit MOS of 10% is utilized in the TMDL for all impaired reaches.</p>   |
| <p>Consideration of seasonal variation:</p>                                  | <p>Pathogen Indicator, <i>E. coli</i>. These TMDLs were developed based on the Iowa WQS primary contact recreation season that runs from March 15 to November 15. Allocations are developed for a range of flow conditions, which help account for wet and dry periods within the recreation season.</p>  |
| <p>Reasonable assurance that load and wasteload allocations will be met:</p> | <p>For nonpoint sources, reasonable assurance is provided by: (1) planned implementation activities that address the pollutant of concern, (2) local stakeholders working towards implementation of appropriate BMPs, (3) detailed requirements for watershed planning to ensure that 319 applications meet EPA requirements, and (4) available monetary support for nonpoint source pollution reduction. See Section 3.4 for more detailed discussion of reasonable assurance.</p> <p>For point sources, reasonable assurance is provided through NPDES permits.</p> |
| <p>Allowance for reasonably foreseeable increases in pollutant loads:</p>    | <p>Because there are several unsewered communities in the watershed a reserve wasteload allocation was calculated in case they upgrade to a wastewater treatment system in the future.</p>  |
| <p>Implementation plan:</p>  | <p>A general implementation plan is outlined in Section 7 to guide local citizens, government, and water quality groups in the development of more detailed plans for individual streams within the Upper Chariton River watershed. <i>E. coli</i> reduction will be accomplished through a combination of land use, livestock / manure, stormwater, and wastewater management strategies.</p>  |

## 1. Introduction

The Federal Clean Water Act requires states to assess their waterbodies every even numbered year and incorporate these assessments into the 305(b) Water Quality Assessment Report. Assessed lakes and streams that do not meet lowa Water Quality Standards (WQS) criteria are placed on the 303(d) impaired waters list. Subsequently, a Total Maximum Daily Load (TMDL) for each pollutant must be calculated and a Water Quality Improvement Plan (WQIP) written for each impaired water body.

A TMDL is a calculation of the maximum amount of a pollutant that a waterbody can tolerate without exceeding WQS and impairing the waterbody's designated uses. The TMDL calculation is represented by the following general equation:

$$TMDL = LC = \sum WLA + \sum LA + MOS$$

Where: TMDL = total maximum daily load  
LC = loading capacity  
 $\sum WLA$  = sum of wasteload allocations (point sources)  
 $\sum LA$  = sum of load allocations (nonpoint sources)  
MOS = margin of safety (to account for uncertainty)

Sixteen segments in the Upper Chariton River watershed, located in Clark, Lucas, Monroe, Decatur, Wayne, and Appanoose Counties in southern Iowa, are on the impaired waters list due to levels of indicator bacteria (*E. coli*) that violate state water quality criteria. The impaired segments include five main stem segments and eleven tributaries (Figure 1.1 and Table 1.1).

One purpose of this Water Quality Improvement Plan (WQIP) for the Upper Chariton River watershed is to provide a TMDL for indicator bacteria. The second purpose of the plan is to provide local stakeholders and watershed managers with a tool to promote awareness of water quality issues, develop a watershed management plan, and implement water quality improvement projects. This WQIP includes an assessment of the existing *E. coli* loads to each impaired segment, as well as a determination of how much *E. coli* each segment can tolerate and without exceeding standards.

The plan includes a description of potential actions that can reduce pollution to the streams. These actions are sometimes referred to as best management practices (BMPs) aimed to improve water quality in the Upper Chariton River watershed, with the ultimate goal of meeting water quality standards. These BMPs are outlined in Section 7 Implementation Plan.

The Iowa Department of Natural Resources (DNR) recommends a phased approach to watershed management. A phased approach is helpful when the origin, interaction, and quantification of pollutants contributing to water quality problems are complex and difficult to fully understand and predict. Iterative implementation of improvement practices and additional water quality assessment (i.e., monitoring) will help ensure progress towards water quality standards, maximize cost efficiency, and prevent unnecessary or ineffective implementation of costly BMPs. A water quality monitoring plan designed to help assess water quality improvement and BMP effectiveness is provided in Section 8.

This plan will be of little value unless additional watershed improvement activities and BMPs are implemented. This will require the active engagement of local stakeholders and the collaboration of several state and local agencies. Experience has shown that locally-led watershed plans have the highest potential for success. The Watershed Improvement Section of DNR has designed this plan for stakeholder use and may be able to provide technical support for the improvement of water quality in the Upper Chariton River watershed.

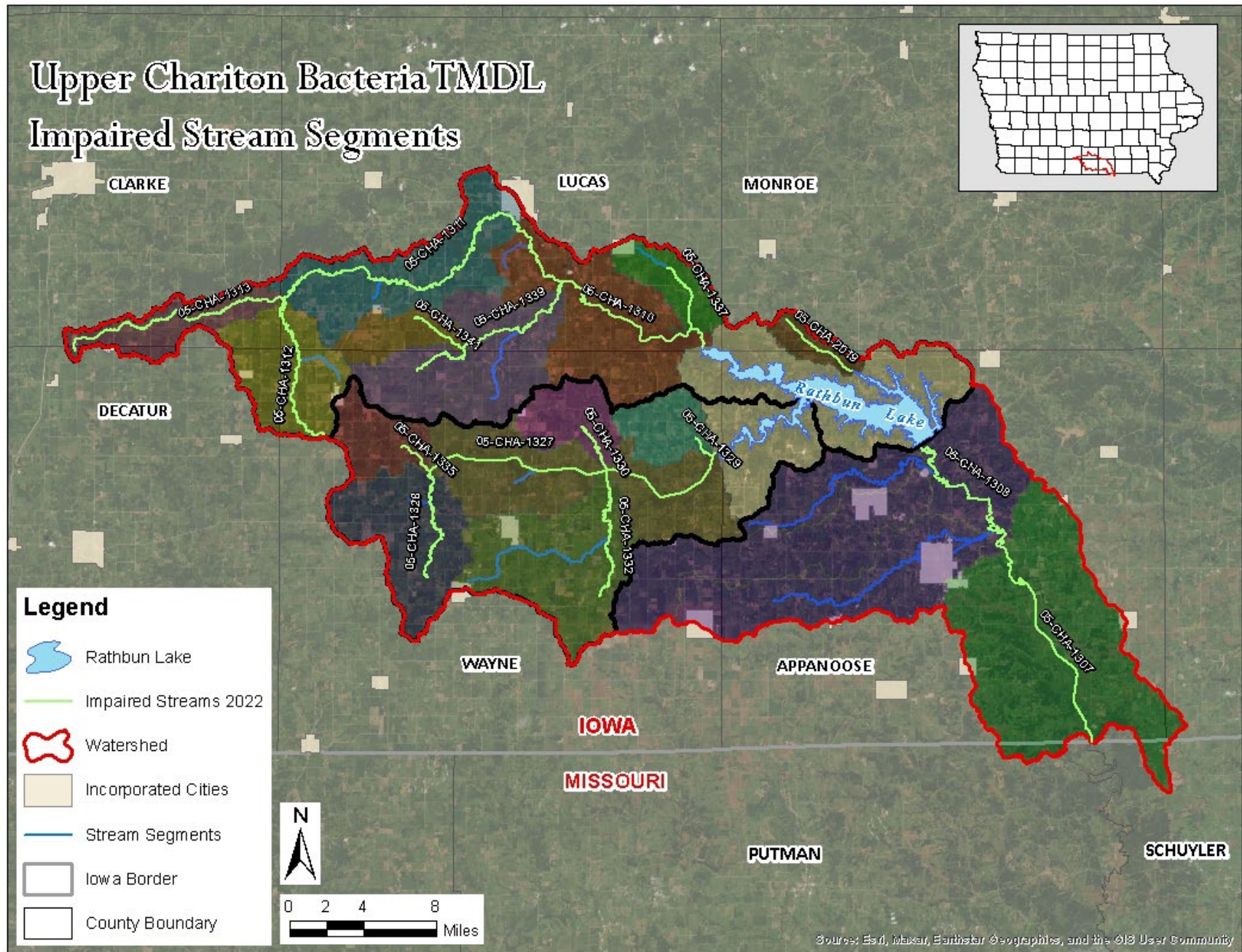


Figure 1.1. Impaired Segments of the Upper Chariton River Watershed

**Table 1.1. Impaired Segments in the Upper Chariton River Watershed.**

| <b>Segment name</b>       | <b>Segment ID</b> | <b>HUC 10</b>                | <b>Drainage Area (mi<sup>2</sup>)</b> | <b>Impairment Category<sup>(1)</sup></b> |
|---------------------------|-------------------|------------------------------|---------------------------------------|--|
| Chariton River            | IA 05-CHA-1307    | Cooper Creek -Chariton River | 828.4                                 | 5a                                       |
| Chariton River            | IA 05-CHA-1308    | Cooper Creek -Chariton River | 719.8                                 | 5a                                       |
| Chariton River            | IA 05-CHA-1310    | Wolf Creek - Chariton River  | 245.7                                 | 5p                                       |
| Chariton River            | IA 05-CHA-1311    | Wolf Creek - Chariton River  | 106.1                                 | 5p                                       |
| Chariton River            | IA 05-CHA-1312    | Wolf Creek - Chariton River  | 35.1                                  | 5p                                       |
| Chariton Creek            | IA 05-CHA-1313    | Wolf Creek - Chariton River  | 20.05                                 | 5p                                       |
| Honey Creek               | IA 05-CHA-1337    | Wolf Creek - Chariton River  | 15.4                                  | 5a                                       |
| Wolf Creek                | IA 05-CHA-1339    | Wolf Creek - Chariton River  | 66.2                                  | 5p                                       |
| Fivemile Creek            | IA 05-CHA-1341    | Wolf Creek - Chariton River  | 13.5                                  | 5p                                       |
| Honey Creek               | IA 05-CHA-2019    | Wolf Creek - Chariton River  | 7.5                                   | 5p                                       |
| South Fork Chariton River | IA 05-CHA-1327    | South Fork Chariton River    | 208.3                                 | 5p                                       |
| South Fork Chariton River | IA 05-CHA-1328    | South Fork Chariton River    | 40.6                                  | 5p                                       |
| Walker Branch             | IA 05-CHA-1329    | South Fork Chariton River    | 16.0                                  | 5p                                       |
| Jordan Creek              | IA 05-CHA-1330    | South Fork Chariton River    | 17.9                                  | 5p                                       |
| Jackson Creek             | IA 05-CHA-1332    | South Fork Chariton River    | 54.0                                  | 5p                                       |
| Ninemile Creek            | IA 05-CHA-1335    | South Fork Chariton River    | 17.5                                  | 5p                                       |

(1) 5a pollutant caused impairment. TMDL needed; 5p Impairment occurs on a waterbody with presumptive A1 or B(WW1) use.

## 2. Description and History of the Upper Chariton River Watershed

### 2.1 History and Land Use

The impaired segments are located above the Rathbun Lake dam, with the exception of the two segments of the Chariton River, which are downstream of the dam. Rathbun Lake is the primary water source for the Rathbun Regional Water Association, which provides about eight million gallons of water per day (8 MGD) to almost 80,000 people for residential, agricultural, and industrial use. The dam was constructed in the late 1960s and is maintained by the US Army Corps of Engineers. The watershed covers 525,303 acres, with approximately 35 percent being used for row crops and another 34 percent is grassland. It is estimated that cropland has increased in the watershed by 38,700 acres in the last decade, mainly due to conversion of grassland and land once enrolled in the Conservation Reserve Program.

The Upper Chariton River watershed is located within the Loess Flats and Till Plains—Central Irregular Plains ecoregion (40a) (Prior 1991; Griffith et al., 1994). The landscape is characterized by rolling uplands, integrated drainage, and occasional broad alluvial plains. Most soils in the watershed formed in loess, glacial till, or alluvium. The majority of soils in the watershed have characteristics that limit their potential uses, such as high susceptibility to erosion, high water retention, and low fertility.

Land uses within the watershed are dominated by agriculture (Table 2.1 and Figure 2.1).

**Table 2.1. Land Uses in the Rathbun Lake Watershed.**

| General Land Use | Land Use Description                | Area             |            |
|------------------|-------------------------------------|------------------|------------|
|                  |                                     | Acres            | Percent    |
| Grassland        | Both pasture and ungrazed grassland | 179,542.2        | 34.2       |
| Row Crops        | Corn, Soybeans, and others          | 183,144.2        | 34.9       |
| Forest/Timber    | All forested areas                  | 107,064.0        | 20.4       |
| Water/ Wetlands  | Ponds, lakes, and wetlands          | 21,304.1         | 4.1        |
| Urban/Developed  | Includes all developed areas        | 23,750.9         | 4.5        |
| Alfalfa/Hay      | Alfalfa and Hay                     | 10,083.8         | 1.9        |
| Barren           | Barren Land                         | 414.1            | <0.1       |
| <b>Total</b>     |                                     | <b>525,303.3</b> | <b>100</b> |



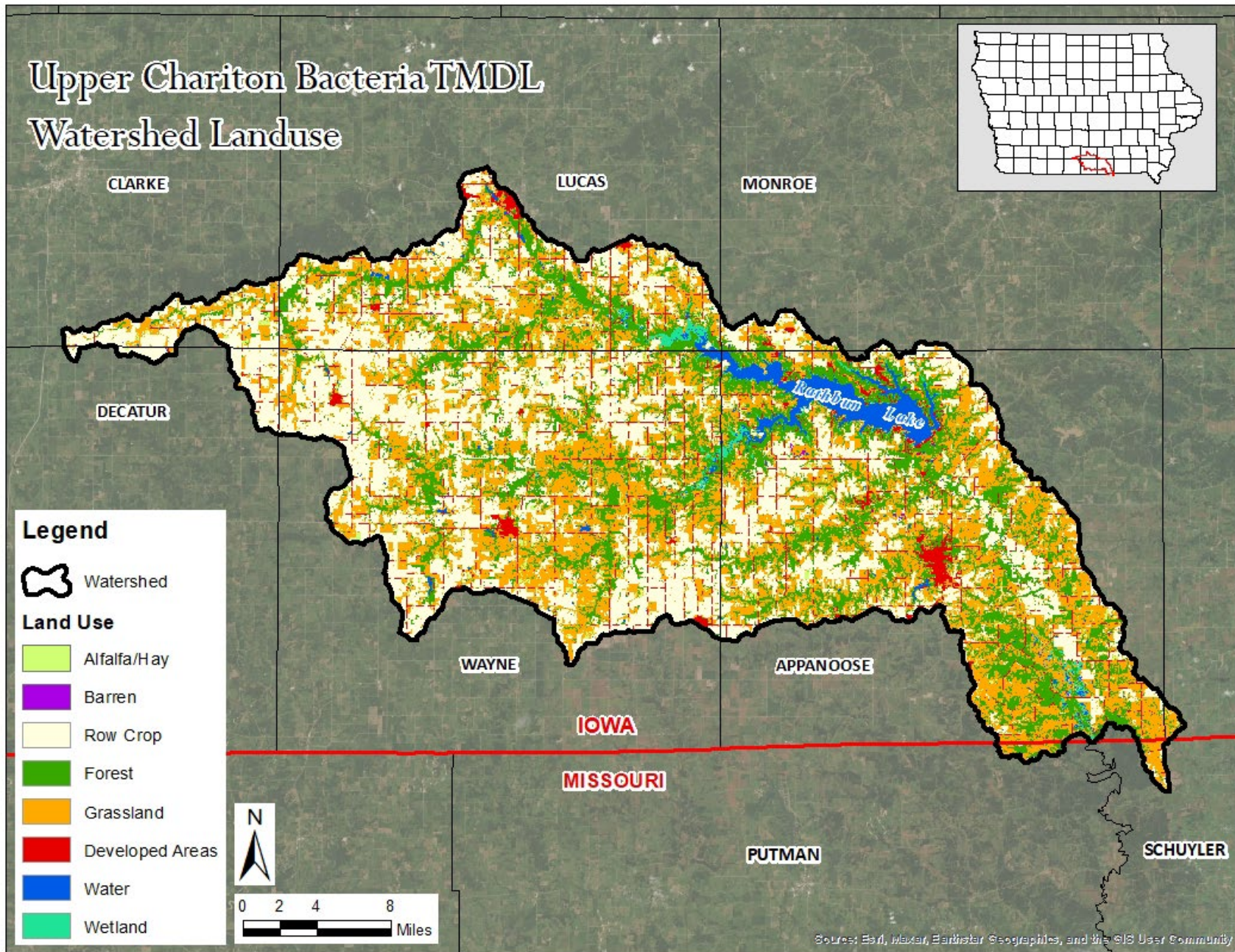


Figure 2.1. Upper Chariton River Watershed Landuse.

## 2.2 Hydrology, Soils, Climate, and Topography

Ten soils series make up approximately 64 percent of the Upper Chariton River watershed. These soils are largely glacial till underlying loess deposits on the surface. Soils with high clay content and low permeability dominate the landscape, making the watershed particularly susceptible to high runoff rates and soil erosion, especially on steep slopes. The topography consists of rolling hills interspersed with level, upland divides and alluvial lowlands. The drainage pattern is dendritic, with the upland plains and highly dissected stream valleys. As a result, there are many hillslopes, and over 50 percent of the watershed has a slope exceeding 5 percent. The flattest slopes are found in the alluvial floodplains and a few upland ridgelines between drainage divides.

There are six weather stations within eight miles of the Upper Chariton River watershed where temperature and precipitation are measured and recorded. These include National Weather Service (NWS) Cooperative Program (COOP) stations in Allerton, Chariton, and Osceola (IEM, 2015). Additionally, temperature and precipitation data were obtained from National Climatic Data Center (NCDC) stations at Leon, Promise City, and at the Rathbun Lake Dam (NOAA, 2015).

Based on the Rathbun Lake Dam weather station, average annual precipitation near Rathbun Lake was 40.2 inches from 1995-2014 (Figure 2.2). The climate of south-central Iowa is relatively humid, with precipitation exceeding evapotranspiration (ET) nearly year-round, with some exceptions in late summer months (Figure 2.3). However, in very dry years such as 2012, ET can exceed precipitation. Precipitation in the Rathbun Lake area varies not only from year-to-year, but also seasonally. Over 71 percent of the annual precipitation falls from April to September (i.e., during the growing season). The past eight years have been wetter than normal, with an average annual rainfall of 47.4 inches. Years 2007, 2008, and 2010 were extreme years with several flooding events and annual rainfall totals more than 25 percent above normal each year. Rainfall events resulting in runoff can carry bacteria off the landscape to streams, elevating bacteria levels above water quality standards.

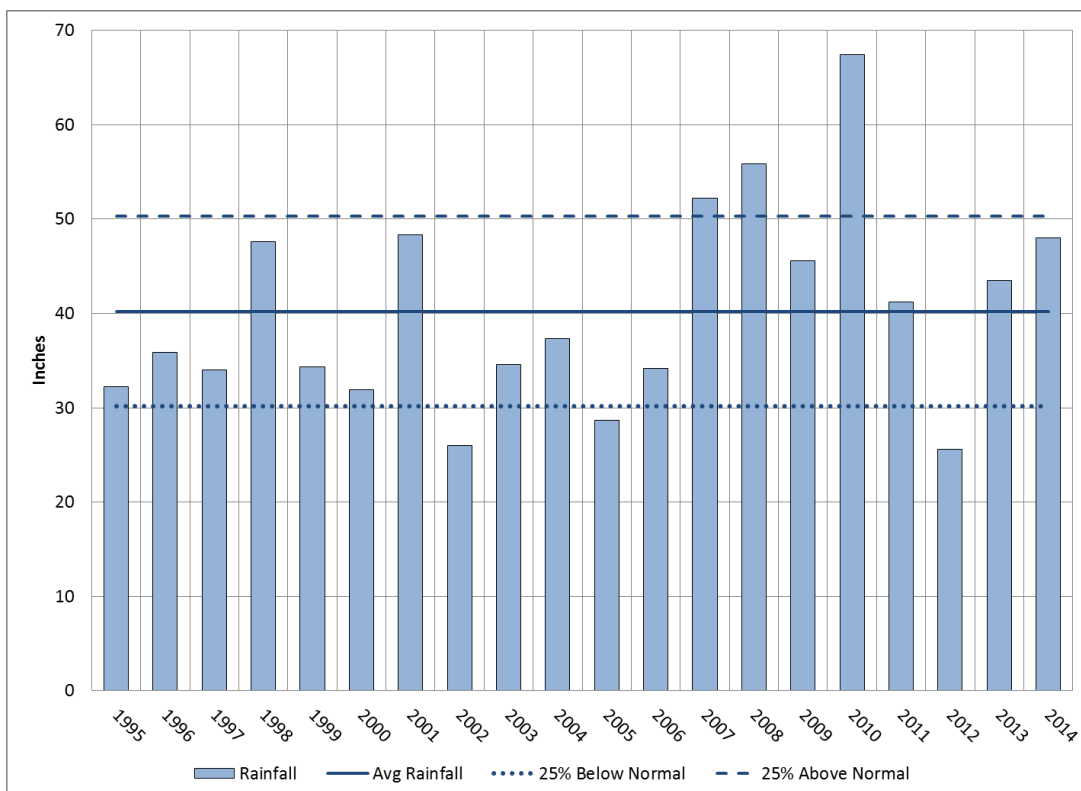


Figure 2.2. Annual Rainfall Totals at the Rathbun Lake Dam from 1995-2014

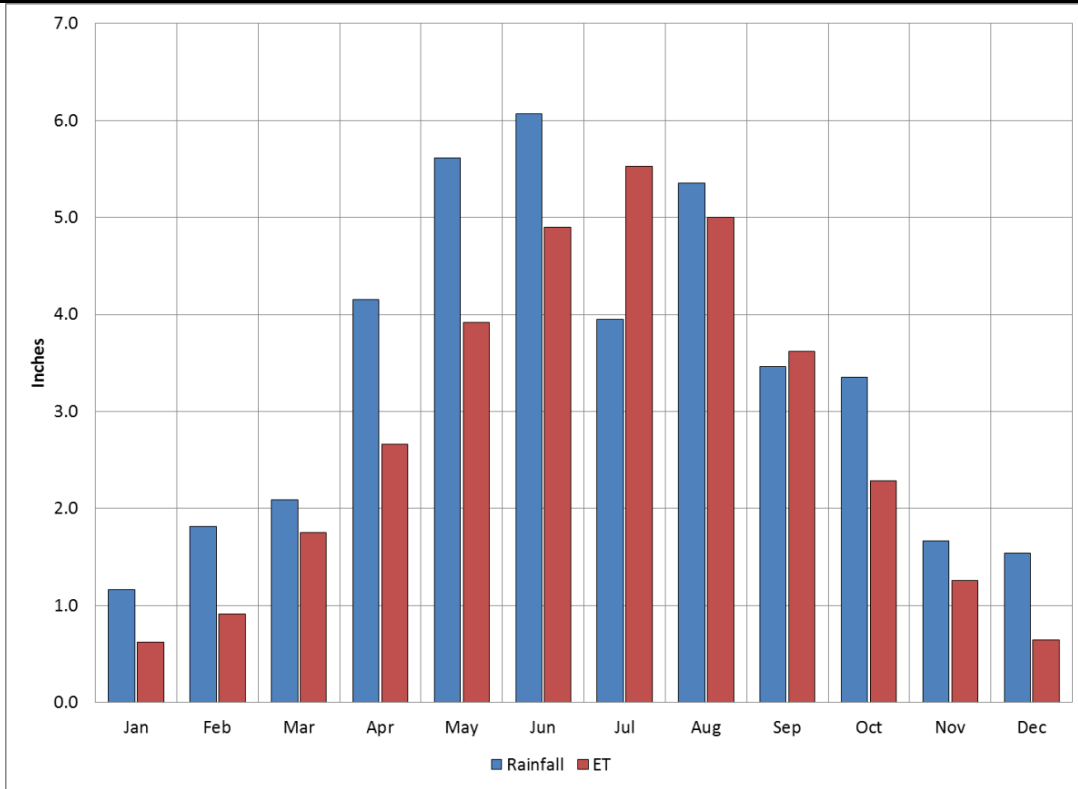


Figure 2.3. Monthly Precipitation and Estimated Evapotranspiration for the Upper Chariton River Watershed

### 3. General Stream and Environmental Information

#### 3.1 Problem Identification

16 stream segments in the Upper Chariton River watershed (Figure 1.1) do not meet water quality standards (WQS) and are not supporting their designated uses due to the presence of high levels of an indicator bacteria called *Escherichia coli* (*E. coli*). High *E. coli* levels in a waterbody can indicate the presence of potentially harmful bacteria and viruses (also called pathogens). The applicable designated uses and water quality standards for pathogen indicators are found in the Iowa Administrative Code (567 Iowa Administrative Code, Chapter 61, (IAC)). Table 3.1 summarizes the water quality standards for pathogen indicators for Class A1 and Class A2 uses and the applicable season. A water body, with a Class A1 or Class A2 designated use, is impaired for *E. coli* if the geometric mean (GM) or the sample maximum (SSM) exceeds the values in Table 3.1. This standard is only applicable during the recreation season, defined as March 15 through November 15.

**Table 3.1. *E. coli* Indicator Bacteria Criteria for Class A1 and Class A2 Uses (organisms/100 ml of water).**

| Use or Category | Geometric Mean | Sample Maximum |
|-----------------|----------------|----------------|
| Class A1        |                |                |
| 3/15 - 11/15    | 126            | 235            |
| 11/16 - 3/14    | Does not apply | Does not apply |
| Class A2        |                |                |
| 3/15 - 11/15    | 630            | 2,880          |
| 11/16 - 3/14    | Does not apply | Does not apply |

#### General Description of the Pollutants

Fecal material from warm-blooded animals contains many microorganisms. Some of these microorganisms can cause illness or disease if ingested by humans. The term pathogen refers to a disease-causing microorganism, and can include bacteria, viruses, and other microscopic organisms. Humans can become ill if they come into contact with and/or ingest water that contains pathogens.

It is not practical to test water for every possible pathogen that may be present - there are simply too many different kinds of pathogens. Instead, water quality assessments typically test for an organism such as total coliform, fecal coliform, or *E. coli* to indicate the presence of pathogens from fecal material. *E. coli* is a type of fecal coliform, and its presence theoretically correlates with illnesses that result from human exposure to water that is contaminated with fecal material (Mishra et al, 2008). It should be noted that not all types of *E. coli* cause human illness; however, the presence of *E. coli* indicates the likelihood that pathogens are present. For the purposes of this TMDL, *E. coli* is used as the indicator bacteria. The two primary reasons for using *E. coli* are: (1) the EPA currently considers *E. coli* to be the preferred bacterial indicator, and (2) Iowa’s WQS are written for *E. coli*.

#### Problem Statement

Water quality assessments indicate that primary (Class A1) and secondary (Class A2) contact recreation uses are “not supported” in these segments due to high levels of indicator bacteria (*E. coli*) that violate the state’s WQS. The significance of the impairments noted in the assessments is that desirable recreational activities, such as swimming and wading, are not supported by existing water quality in the impaired segments. As a result of these findings, the Federal Clean Water Act requires that TDMLs for *E. coli* be developed for all the impaired segments.

#### Stream Segment Designations and Descriptions

In February 2008, changes to Iowa’s surface water classifications were approved by the EPA and all segments were presumed to be Class A1, primary contact recreation until a use attainability assessment could be completed and approved by the EPA. Stream designations are defined and classified for protection of beneficial uses in the Iowa Administrative Code (IAC) 567-61.3(1).

Beneficial uses as defined in the IAC 567-61.3(1) are cited below.

- 567-61.3(1)(b)(1) Primary contact recreational use (Class “A1”). Water in which recreational or other uses may result in prolonged and direct contact with the water, involving considerable risk of ingesting water in quantities sufficient to pose a health hazard. Such activities would include, but not be limited to, swimming, diving, water skiing, and water contact recreation canoeing.
- 567-61.3(1)(b)(2) Secondary contact recreational use (Class “A2”). Waters in which recreational or other uses may result in contact with the water that is either incidental or accidental. During the recreational use, the probability of ingesting appreciable quantities of water is minimal. Class A2 uses include fishing, commercial and recreational boating, any limited contact incidental to shoreline activities and activities in which users do not swim or float in the water body while on a boating activity.
- 567-61.3(1)(b)(6) Warm water-Type 1 (Class “B(WW-1)”). Waters in which temperature, flow and other habitat characteristics are suitable to maintain warm water game fish populations along with a resident aquatic community that includes a variety of native nongame fish and invertebrate species. These waters generally include border rivers, large interior rivers, and the lower segments of medium-size tributary streams.
- 567-61.3(1)(b)(7) Warm water-Type 1 (Class “B(WW-2)”). Waters in which flow or other habitat characteristics are capable of supporting a resident aquatic community that includes a variety of native nongame fish and invertebrate species. The flow and other physical characteristics limit the maintenance of warm water game fish populations. These waters generally consist of small perennially flowing streams.
- 567-61.3(1)(b)(10). Human health (Class “HH”). Waters in which fish are routinely harvested for human consumption or waters both designated as a drinking water supply and in which fish are routinely harvested for human consumption.

In 2010 the State of Iowa enacted an antidegradation policy. This policy was designed to maintain and protect high quality waters and existing water quality in other waters from unnecessary pollution. Protection levels (or tiers) as defined by the Iowa Administrative Code (IAC) 567-61.2 are cited below.

- 567-61.2(2)(a) Tier 1 protection. Existing surface water uses and the level of water quality necessary to protect the existing uses will be maintained and protected.

Stream segment designations and descriptions for individual impaired stream segments will be discussed in the respective sections of this report.

#### *Data Sources and Monitoring Sites*

The primary sources of water quality data used in the development of this WQIP are water quality data collected by the DNR and the USGS National Water-Quality Assessment (NAWQA) Program. These data consist primarily of grab samples collected by the agencies between 1997 and 2012. When available, additional water quality data through 2016 was utilized. Each section will outline specific sources used, but the following list summarizes sources of additional data used for this WQIP:

- Streamflow data collected by the USGS at multiple surface water gaging stations.
- Water quality data collected by the USACE, Kansas City District, as part of its reservoir monitoring program.
- Precipitation data from the National Weather Service Cooperative Observer Program (NWS COOP) (IEM, 2015)
- 10-m Digital Elevation Model (DEM) available from DNR GIS library.
- SSURGO soils data maintained by United States Department of Agriculture -Natural Resource Conservation Service (USDA-NRCS).
- U.S. Department of Agriculture National Agricultural Statistics Service Cropland Data Layer (USDA CDL) reflecting 2014 conditions.
- Aerial images (various years) collected and maintained by DNR.
- Water Quality data collected by the USDA’s Agricultural Research Service National Laboratory for Agriculture and the Environment (NLAE).

## 3.2 TMDL Target

### *General Description of the Pollutant*

Potential point sources of *E. coli* for the 16 impaired stream segments are undisinfected wastewater treatment facility discharges.

The nonpoint *E. coli* sources for the impaired segments are runoff from developed areas, grazing livestock, manure applied to fields, wildlife, and failed septic tank systems. These nonpoint sources can be divided into two categories. One is episodic and consists of livestock and wildlife fecal material periodically transported during precipitation events. The other is continuous discharges from leaking septic tank systems and manure from cattle in the and near streams. In addition, *E. coli* from nonpoint sources can be resuspended after disturbance of stream sediment.

### *Selection of Environmental Conditions*

The critical period for the impairment occurs during the recreational season of March 15 to November 15.

### *Pollutant Loading Capacity (LC)*

The TMDL (loading capacity) is the number of organisms that can be in a volume and meet the water quality standards. Load duration curves (LDC) were constructed using mean daily flows and the *E. coli* water quality standards criteria (see Table 3.1) to quantify the TMDL of each impaired segment, in terms of load (orgs/day), across a range of flow conditions. The TMDL for each impaired stream segment is calculated by multiplying the midpoint flow of each flow condition, in the load duration curve (LDC), by the *E. coli* criteria concentration.

### *Load Duration Curve*

The *E. coli* TMDLs in this water quality improvement plan were developed using a LDC framework. The LDC is a graphical way of presenting the LC, existing loads, and the frequency and magnitude of WQS exceedances across a range of flow conditions. The LDC relates pollutant loads in a stream to the percent of time the stream flow has been met or exceeded and is developed by multiplying stream flow with the water quality target and a conversion factor. Figure 3.1 represents an LDC for the Chariton River, segment IA 05-CHA-1312, and is presented here as an example of the format of the LDC used throughout this WQIP. It illustrates, data points, observed loading, and flow variable loading capacity, which is based on the WQS criterion of 235 orgs/100 ml for the SSM concentration.

The light blue dashed line represents the TMDL (or loading capacity, LC) for the SSM criterion. Points above this curve represent violation of the WQS, whereas points below the curves comply with WQS. *E. coli* loads were estimated by multiplying observed concentrations (orgs/100 ml) by the mean daily flow (cfs) on the day the sample was collected (including a unit's conversion). Using the load duration curve (LDC) approach, these measured loads are plotted against the flow duration interval, which allows loads to be grouped into the same flow conditions loading capacity. Each diamond in Figure 3.1 represents an observed *E. coli* daily load. Green-shaded diamonds (◆) indicate samples that were collected in the spring (March to May), orange shading (◆) represents samples collected in the summer (June to September), and gray shading (◆) indicates samples that were collected in the fall (October to November).

LDCs for each stream segment show the observed loading, which is the 90<sup>th</sup> percentile (purple, dotted lines) within each flow condition and the TMDL (target loading or loading capacity, purple dashed line). The difference between these two is the departure from the loading capacity. The target loading is based on the mid-point flow in each flow condition multiplied by the SSM criterion of 235 orgs/100 ml (including a unit's conversion). The wasteload allocation (WLA) is represented by a solid dark blue line and is constant across all flow conditions, except on rare occasions where the WLA exceeds the target loading capacity. In these instances, the WLA is assigned the target loading capacity value minus 10 percent of the target loading capacity. This occurs when the effluent design flows from the treatment facility exceed the estimated average daily stream flow. In reality, this condition could not exist since the effluent from the treatment facility is part of the stream flow.

LDC's based on SSM and GM criteria will be presented for each stream since all streams are impaired based on the SSM and GM criteria.

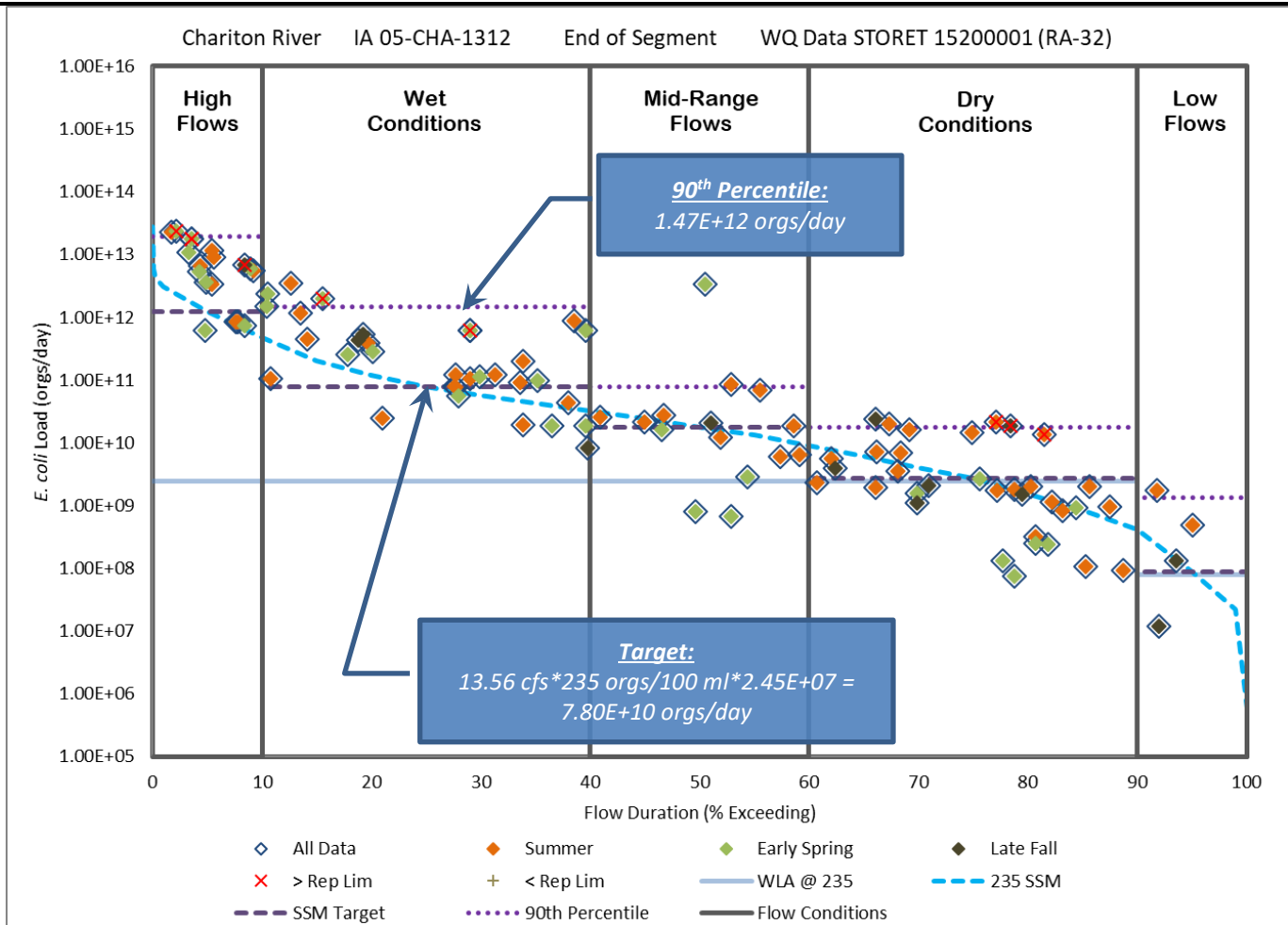


Figure 3.1. Example Load Duration Curve based on the SSM for Chariton River, Segment IA 05-CHA-1312.

#### Decision Criteria for WQS Attainment

Water quality, to fully support recreational uses, will be attained when the monitored *E. coli* concentration meets the geometric mean (GM) concentration of 126 orgs/100 ml and the single sample maximum (SSM) concentration of 235 orgs/100 ml for Class A1 designated use streams and a GM concentration of 630 orgs/100 ml and SSM concentration of 2,880 orgs/100 ml for Class A2 designated use streams, during the recreational season of March 15 - November 15 (See Table 3.1).

While the SSM and GM *E. coli* criteria are equally protective of human health since they are both derived from the same statistical data set, it should be noted that "...the geometric mean is the more relevant value for ensuring that appropriate actions are taken to protect and improve water quality. The geometric mean is generally more relevant because it is usually a more reliable measure of long term water quality, being less subject to random variation, and more directly linked to the underlying studies upon which the 1986 bacteria criteria were based." (EPA, 2006).

With two *E. coli* criteria (SSM and GM) it is necessary to establish a link to demonstrate consistency between the SSM and the GM. Development of ambient water quality criteria for *E. coli* defines the statistical relationship between the SSM and the GM, which can be used to show that attaining the SSM criteria will result in attainment of the GM criteria. The concepts to establish this link are described in the EPA publication "*Ambient Water Quality Criteria for Bacteria - 1986*".

#### Linkage Analysis

In two cases, the target load is based on the SSM criterion of 235 orgs/100 ml. This occurs where the data is sufficient to determine the GM target but is insufficient to determine the percent load reduction required in *E. coli* to comply with the 126 orgs/100 ml criterion. This situation occurs in stream segments IA 05-CHA-1307 and IA 05-CHA-1308. For these

cases it will be necessary to establish a link to demonstrate that attaining compliance with the SSM will also achieve compliance with the GM criterion.

Iowa's *E. coli* criteria are based on EPA recommendations published in 1986. (USEPA, 1986), which included criteria for the GM and the SSM. The GM was established from epidemiological studies by comparing gastrointestinal illness at a rate of 8/1,000. The SSM was determined using the GM (126 orgs/100 ml) and the log standard deviation of 0.4. To account for different recreational use intensities EPA provided four SSM values corresponding to the 75<sup>th</sup>, 82<sup>nd</sup>, 90<sup>th</sup> and 95<sup>th</sup> percentiles of the expected water quality sampling distribution. Iowa adopted the most stringent SSM, the 75<sup>th</sup> percentile (235 orgs/100 ml), into the water quality standards. Based on the assessment methods used in this WQIP, the SSM existing load is taken as the 90<sup>th</sup> percentile.

Using the methods described in "An Approach for Using Load Duration Curves in the Development of TMDLs" (USEPA, 2007) a linkage analysis can be developed to demonstrate that attainment of the SSM criterion will result in attainment of the GM criterion. Figure 3.2 shows the original distribution around a GM of 126 orgs/100 and how the distribution adjusts around a SSM of 235 orgs/100 ml at a 90<sup>th</sup> percentile frequency interval. The GM associated with the adjusted distribution is 72 orgs/100 ml, which more stringent than the GM of the original distribution of 126 orgs/100 ml, showing that by attaining a SSM target will meet the GM criterion.

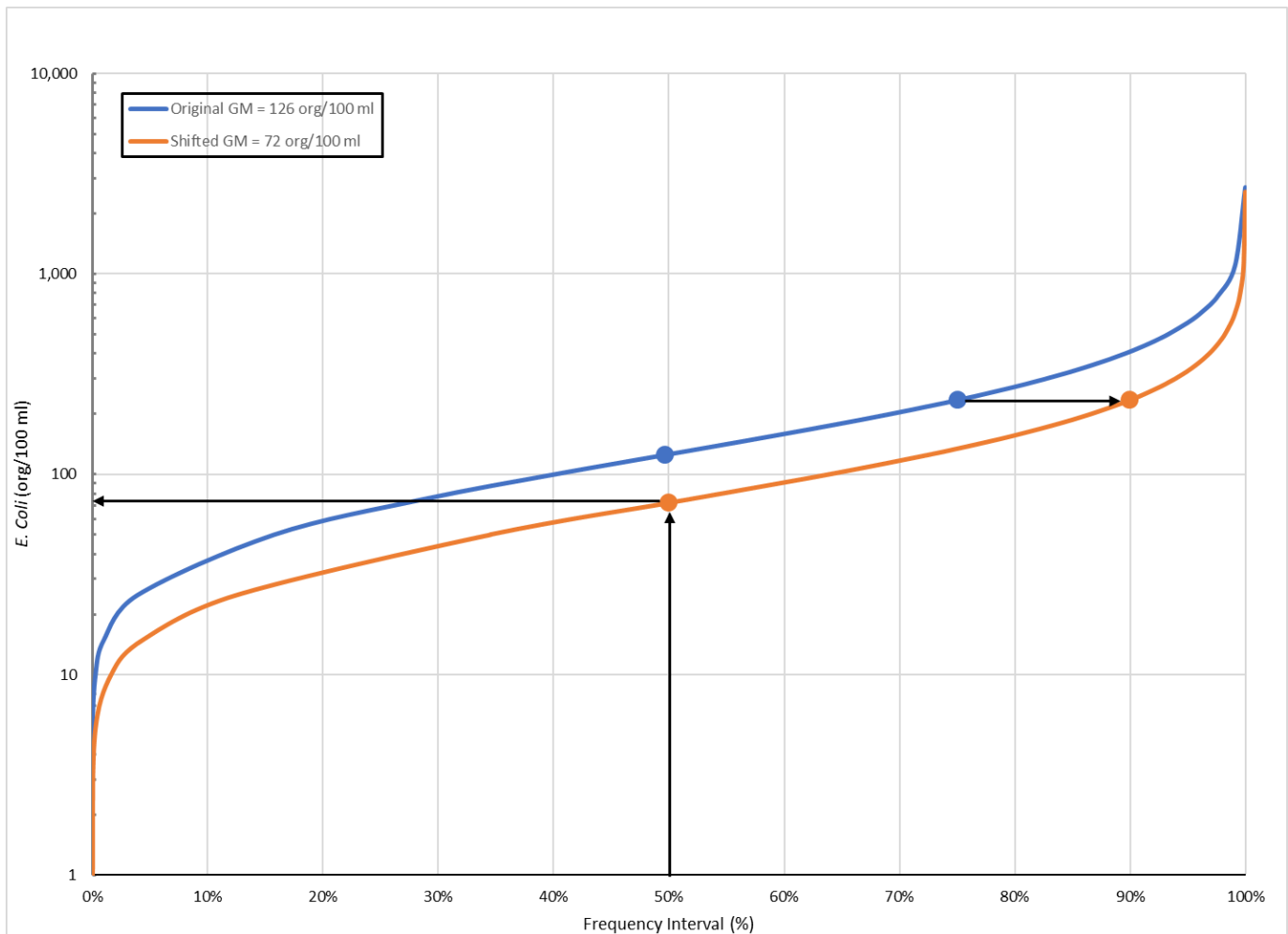


Figure 3.2. *E. Coli* Assessment Method on the Criteria's Original Log-Normal Frequency Distribution.

### 3.3 Pollution Source Assessment

Bacteria sources include wastewater treatment plants and urban storm sewer discharges, failed septic tanks, wildlife, grazing livestock, runoff from fields where manure has been applied, and feedlots. Nonpoint source bacteria problems often accompany heavy rainfall events. Point sources of bacteria, such as wastewater treatment plants, usually discharge continuously.



### *Existing Loads*

The existing loads are derived from the data measured at the data collection sites shown in Table 4.3, Table 5.3, and Table 6.3. These data are the monitored points shown in the load duration curves in the following sections for the specific impaired waterbodies. The monitored *E. coli* concentrations are multiplied by the average daily flow to get the daily loads that are plotted with the load duration curves. The maximum allowable loads for a given flow equal the flow multiplied by the WQS limits for the geometric mean or single sample maximum. Monitored data that exceed the WQS criteria are above the WQS limit curves.

The maximum existing load occurs during events when maximum runoff and bacteria concentrations are highest often causing bacteria concentrations to exceed the criteria. The other condition leading to criteria violations occurs during dry low flow periods when continuous loads from livestock in the stream, local wildlife, septic tanks, and wastewater treatment plants cause bacteria problems.

The assessment methodology used to evaluate pathogen indicator criteria assume that if 10 percent or more of samples exceed the SSM *E. coli* criteria then the waterbody is not supporting recreational use. The 90th percentile of observed concentrations within each flow condition is multiplied by the median flow for each condition to estimate existing loads for the SSM criterion and the GM within each flow condition is multiplied by the median flow for each condition to estimate existing loads for the GM criterion.

### *Identification of Pollutant Sources*

There are two categories of pollutant sources, point sources and non-point sources. Point sources include NPDES permitted facilities such as municipal and industrial wastewater treatment facilities. Nonpoint sources include all discharges that are not regulated and are discharged in an indirect and diffuse manner, such as runoff from agricultural areas.

### *Point Sources (Wasteload Allocation)*

Point sources are permitted and discharge at specific locations such as pipes, outfalls, and conveyance channels. These sources are generally regulated by a federal NPDES permit. The point sources in the Upper Chariton River watershed include 13 NPDES permitted facilities, 10 CAFOs, 10 private systems operating under General Permit #4 (GP#4), and eight unsewered communities. Unsewered communities are typically considered a nonpoint source however, for this TMDL a reserve wasteload allocation (WLA) was calculated for each unsewered community and applied to the WLA for the associated stream segment. A WLA was calculated for the GM criterion (126 orgs/100 ml) and SSM criterion (235 orgs/100 ml) for each discharging facility with the exception of the GP#4 facilities, which only have the SSM criterion in the permit. A full list of the point sources in the watershed can be found in Appendix C.2.

### *Nonpoint Sources (Load Allocation)*

Nonpoint sources are unpermitted sources and discharge in an indirect and diffuse manner, and often are difficult to locate and quantify. Nonpoint sources of *E. coli* include contributors that do not have localized points of release into a stream. These loads may originate from various land use types in the watershed. In the watershed these sources can include:

- Grazing animals
- Cattle contributions directly deposited in a stream
- Land application of manure
- Urban and rural area runoff
- Wildlife
- Failing septic tank systems, including unsewered communities

### *Potential Sources*

Figure 3.3 shows some potential *E. coli* contributing sources by flow condition. Each box represents a potential source and overlaps the flow conditions in which it is most likely to contribute to the impairment. The boxes are color coded

with red shading indicating the condition in which the source has a greater impact to water quality and green shading indicates the condition in which the source has a lower impact to water quality.

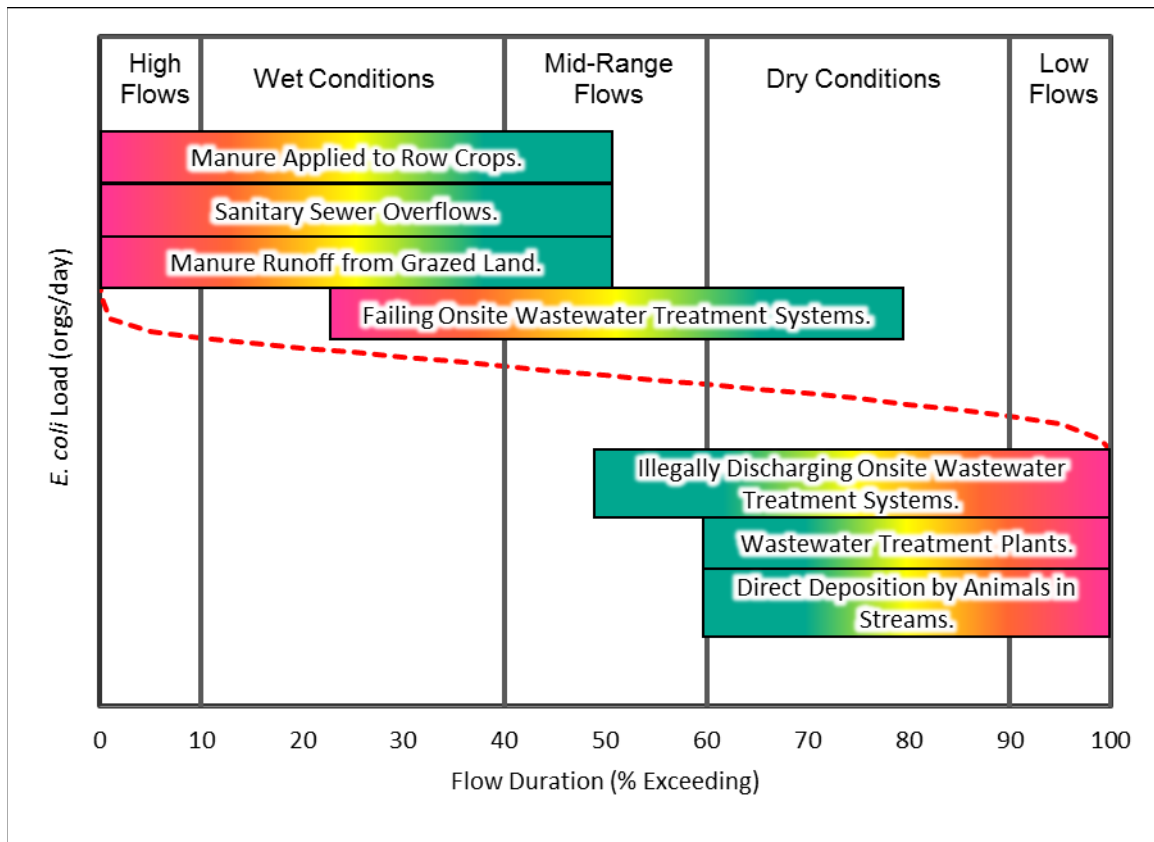


Figure 3.3. Potential *E. coli* Sources by Flow Condition.

### 3.4 Reasonable Assurance

Under current EPA guidance, TMDLs that allocate loads to both point sources (WLAs) and nonpoint sources (LAs) must demonstrate reasonable assurance that required load reductions will be implemented. For point sources, reasonable assurance is provided through NPDES permits. Permits include operation requirements and compliance schedules that are developed based on water quality protection. For nonpoint sources, allocations and proposed implementation activities must satisfy four criteria:

- They must apply to the pollutant of concern
- They will be implemented expeditiously
- They will be accomplished through effective programs
- They will be supported by adequate water quality funding

Nonpoint source measures developed in the Upper Chariton River watershed TMDL satisfy all four criteria. First, LAs and implementation activities described in Section 7 of the report apply directly to *E. coli*. Attainment of designated uses and existing water quality are measured using these indicator bacteria. Second, there are several active watershed groups already pursuing detailed watershed planning and implementation activities in the Upper Chariton River watershed. Third, DNR has set forth detailed requirements for watershed planning and implementation to ensure that watershed management plans and Section 319 applications meet EPA requirements and include: approximate timelines for implementation activities, ongoing monitoring to track progress towards water quality improvement, a phased and prioritized schedule of activities, and target the impairment appropriately. Finally, ongoing monetary support is available for implementation in a variety of forms, including Section 319 grants, as well as other federal, state, and local resources.

## 4. TMDLs for Wolf Creek-Chariton River for Indicator Bacteria (*E. coli*)

Total Maximum Daily Loads (TMDLs) are required for the eight impaired waterbody segments in the Wolf Creek-Chariton River HUC 10 (1028020102) by the Federal Clean Water Act. This section of the Water Quality Improvement Plan (WQIP) describes the pollutant, in this case *Escherichia coli* (*E. coli*), leading to the impairments and the maximum amount of *E. coli* the stream segments can assimilate and still support their designated uses.

### 4.1 Problem Identification

The primary contact recreation (Class A1) uses in Chariton Creek, three segments of the Chariton River, Fivemile Creek, Wolf Creek, and two segments of Honey Creek are not supported due to the presence of high levels of indicator bacteria (*E. coli*) (Figure 4.1). High *E. coli* levels in a waterbody can indicate the presence of potentially harmful bacteria and viruses (also called pathogens). Humans can become ill if they come into contact with and/or ingest water that contains pathogens. Under Iowa Administrative Code, streams are impaired for *E. coli* if they exceed a single sample maximum of 235 colony forming units (cfu) per 100 ml of water and the geometric mean of all samples exceeds 126 cfu/100 ml of water. This standard is only applicable during the recreation season, defined as March 15 through November 15.

Both point and nonpoint sources of pollution can be responsible for high *E. coli* levels. Permitted sources include municipal wastewater treatment facilities (WWTF) and discharging onsite wastewater treatment and disposal systems. Onsite wastewater treatment systems are often called septic systems, even though not all systems include a septic tank. Nonpoint sources result from livestock, pets, wildlife, and humans that live, work, and play in and around the stream. Specific examples of potential nonpoint sources of bacteria include cattle with direct access to streams, manure applied to row crops, non-permitted onsite wastewater systems, and natural sources such as wildlife.

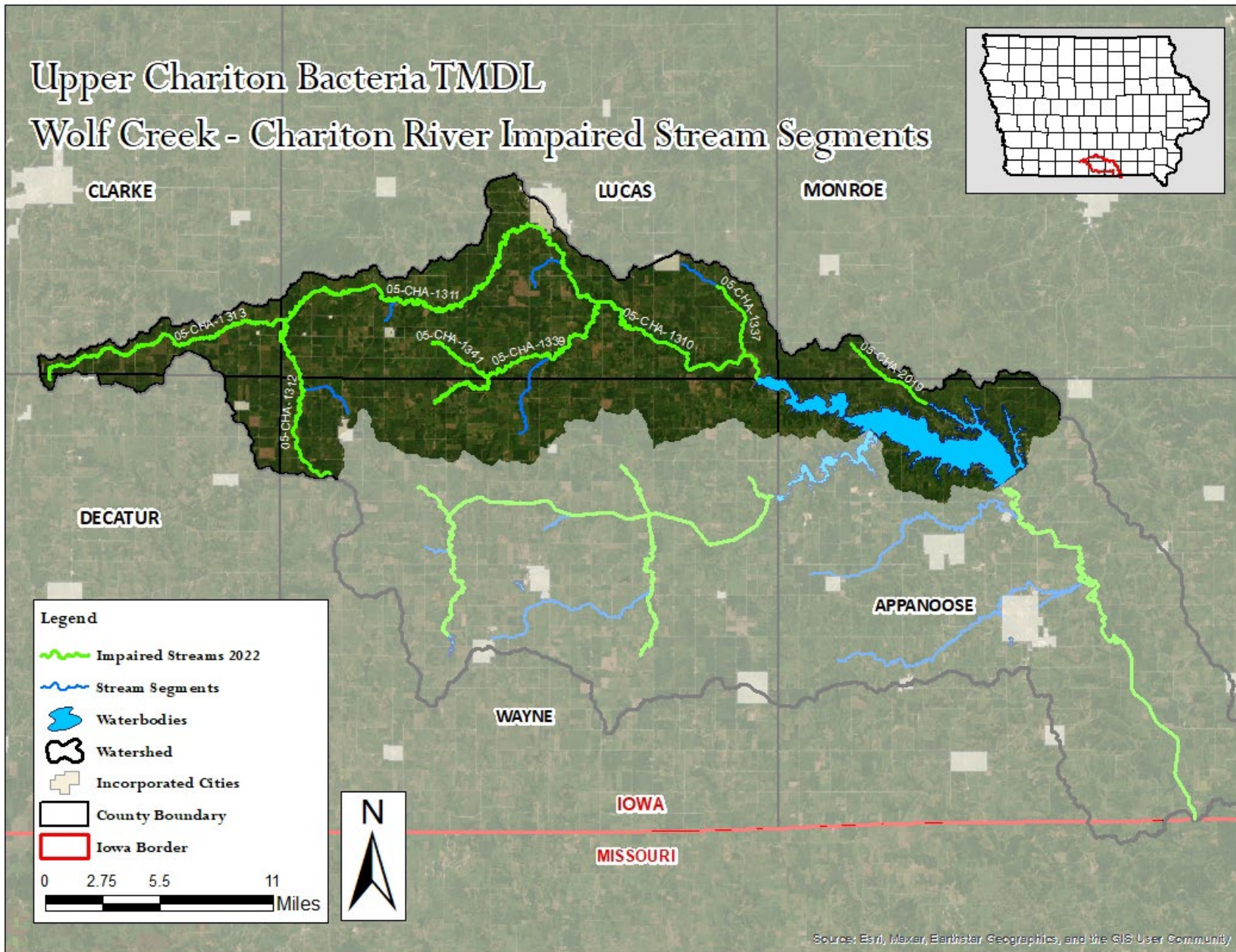


Figure 4.1. Map of the Wolf Creek - Chariton River HUC 10 with Impaired Stream Segments

**Stream Segment Designations and Descriptions**

Eight stream segments within the Wolf Creek-Chariton River HUC 10 do not meet water quality standards (WQS) and are not fully supporting class A1 (primary contact) designated uses due to presence of high levels of indicator bacteria called *Escherichia coli* (*E. coli*). Prior to 2008, none of the listed segments were designated for primary contact recreation (Class A1). In February 2008, changes to Iowa’s surface water classifications were approved by the EPA and all segments were presumed to be Class A1, primary contact recreation. Table 4.1 is a summary of the impaired stream segments, segment identification, location description, segment length, designated uses, and impairment category.

**Table 4.1. Impaired Stream Segments and Designated Uses.**

| Stream name                | Segment ID     | Location Description   | Stream length (mi) | Designated Uses | Impairment Category <sup>(1)(2)</sup> |
|----------------------------|----------------|--|--------------------|-----------------|---------------------------------------|
| Chariton River             | IA 05-CHA-1310 | from upper end of Rathbun Lake to Hwy 14, Lucas Co.  | 18.9               | A1<br>B (WW2)   | 5p                                    |
| Chariton River             | IA 05-CHA-1311 | from Hwy 14 (Lucas Co.) to confluence with Chariton Cr. in S19, T71N, R23W, Lucas Co.  | 28.89              | A1<br>B (WW2)   | 5p                                    |
| Chariton River             | IA 05-CHA-1312 | from confluence with Chariton Creek (S19, T71N, R23W, Lucas Co.) to headwaters   | 13.32              | A1<br>B (WW1)   | 5p                                    |
| Chariton Creek             | IA 05-CHA-1313 | mouth (S19, T71N, R23W, Lucas Co.) to headwaters   | 19.01              | A1<br>B (WW1)   | 5p                                    |
| Honey Creek <sup>(3)</sup> | IA 05-CHA-1337 | mouth (S26, T71N, R20W, Lucas Co.) to confluence with unnamed tributary in S10, T71N, R20W, Lucas Co.  | 4.56               | A2<br>B (WW2)   | 5a                                    |
| Wolf Creek                 | IA 05-CHA-1339 | mouth (S15, T71N, R21W, Lucas Co.) to confluence with unnamed tributary in E 1/2, NW 1/4, S8, T70N, R22W, Wayne Co.                            | 16.94              | A1<br>B (WW2)   | 5p                                    |
| Fivemile Creek             | IA 05-CHA-1341 | mouth (S35, T71N, R22W, Lucas Co.) to confluence with unnamed tributary in S29, T71N, R22W, Lucas Co.  | 4.78               | A1<br>B (WW2)   | 5p                                    |
| Honey Creek                | IA 05-CHA-2019 | from upper end of Honey Creek arm of Rathbun Lake (NW 1/4, S8, T70N, R18W, Appanoose Co.) to headwaters in NW 1/4, S27, T71N, R19W, Monroe Co. | 5.28               | A1<br>B (WW1)   | 5p                                    |

(1) Impairment category: 5a (pollutant-caused impairment. TMDL needed)

(2) Impairment category: 5p (impairment occurs on a waterbody with a presumptive A1 or B(WW1) use.)

(3) This stream segment was approved as a Class A2 designated use stream on January 5, 2012. Prior to that date it was presumed to be a Class A1 designated use stream.

**Problem Statement**

Water quality assessments indicate that primary contact recreation is “not supported” in these segments due to high levels of indicator bacteria (*E. coli*) that routinely violate the state’s water quality standards (Table 4.2). The significance of the impairments noted in the assessments is that desirable recreational activities, such as swimming and wading, are not adequately provided by existing water quality in the impaired segments. As a result of these findings, the Federal Clean Water Act requires that TDMLs be developed for all the impaired segments for *E. coli*.

**Table 4.2. Impairment Criteria for each Impaired Segment.**

| Stream name                | Segment ID     | Geometric mean<br>(impairment at 126 cfu/100 ml) |      |       | Single Sample Max.<br>(235 cfu/100 ml)<br>% samples exceeding |
|----------------------------|----------------|--|------|-------|---|
|                            |                | 2010   | 2011 | 2012  |   |
| Chariton River             | IA 05-CHA-1310 | 757  | 208  | 1,425 | 79%   |
| Chariton River             | IA 05-CHA-1311 | 757  | 208  | 1,425 | 79%   |
| Chariton River             | IA 05-CHA-1312 | 587  | 371  | 370   | 75%   |
| Chariton Creek             | IA 05-CHA-1313 | 665  | 186  | 314   | 67%   |
| Honey Creek <sup>(1)</sup> | IA 05-CHA-1337 | 533  | 607  | 1,692 | 9%  |
| Wolf Creek                 | IA 05-CHA-1339 | 959  | 185  | 2,469 | 79%   |
| Fivemile Creek             | IA 05-CHA-1341 | 1,240  | 167  | 137   | 80%   |
| Honey Creek                | IA 05-CHA-2019 | 509  | 578  | 3,868 | 79%   |

(1) This stream segment was approved as a Class A2 designated use stream on January 5, 2012. Prior to that date it was presumed to be a Class A1 designated use stream. Geometric mean criterion is based on 630 orgs/100 ml and the single sample maximum criterion is based on 2,880 orgs/100 ml.

**Data Sources**

Sources of data used in the development of this TMDL include those used in the 2016 305(b) report, several sources of additional flow and water quality data, and non-water quality related data used for model development. Monitoring sites are listed in Table 4.3 and shown in Figure 4.2. Specific data includes:

- Stream data collected by DNR Watershed Improvement Section staff for the purpose of TMDL development
- Stream data collected by U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE), Kansas City District, as part of its reservoir monitoring program
- Streamflow data collected by the U.S. Geological Survey (USGS) at multiple surface water gaging stations (USGS, 2015)
- Precipitation and temperature data from the National Weather Service Cooperative Observer Program (NWS COOP) (IEM, 2015)
- Precipitation and temperature data from the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) National Climatic Data Center (NCDC) (NOAA, 2015)
- 10-m Digital Elevation Model (DEM) available from DNR GIS library
- SSURGO soils data maintained by United States Department of Agriculture -Natural Resource Conservation Service (USDA-NRCS)
- U.S. Department of Agriculture National Agricultural Statistics Service Cropland Data Layer (CDL) reflecting 2006 conditions (USDA-NASS, 2013)
- Aerial images (various years) collected and maintained by DNR

**Table 4.3. WQ Monitoring Sites of Wolf Creek - Chariton River HUC 10.**

| Site Name                                     | ID              | Longitude | Latitude |
|---|-----------------|-----------|----------|
| Brush Creek at 420 <sup>th</sup> St (RA-32)   | STORET 15200001 | -93.5568  | 40.9274  |
| Chariton River (RA-33)                        | STORET 15200002 | -93.5614  | 40.9378  |
| Chariton River at Hwy 14 (RA-15)              | STORET 15590001 | -93.3081  | 40.9922  |
| Honey Creek at 430 <sup>th</sup> Lane (RA-40) | STORET 15590002 | -93.1282  | 40.9416  |
| Wolf Creek at CR H50 (RA-41)                  | STORET 15590003 | -93.2685  | 40.9413  |
| Fivemile Creek at CR S23 (RA-42)              | STORET 15590004 | -93.3846  | 40.9082  |
| Honey Creek at 550 <sup>th</sup> (RA-43)      | STORET 15680001 | -93.0025  | 40.9020  |

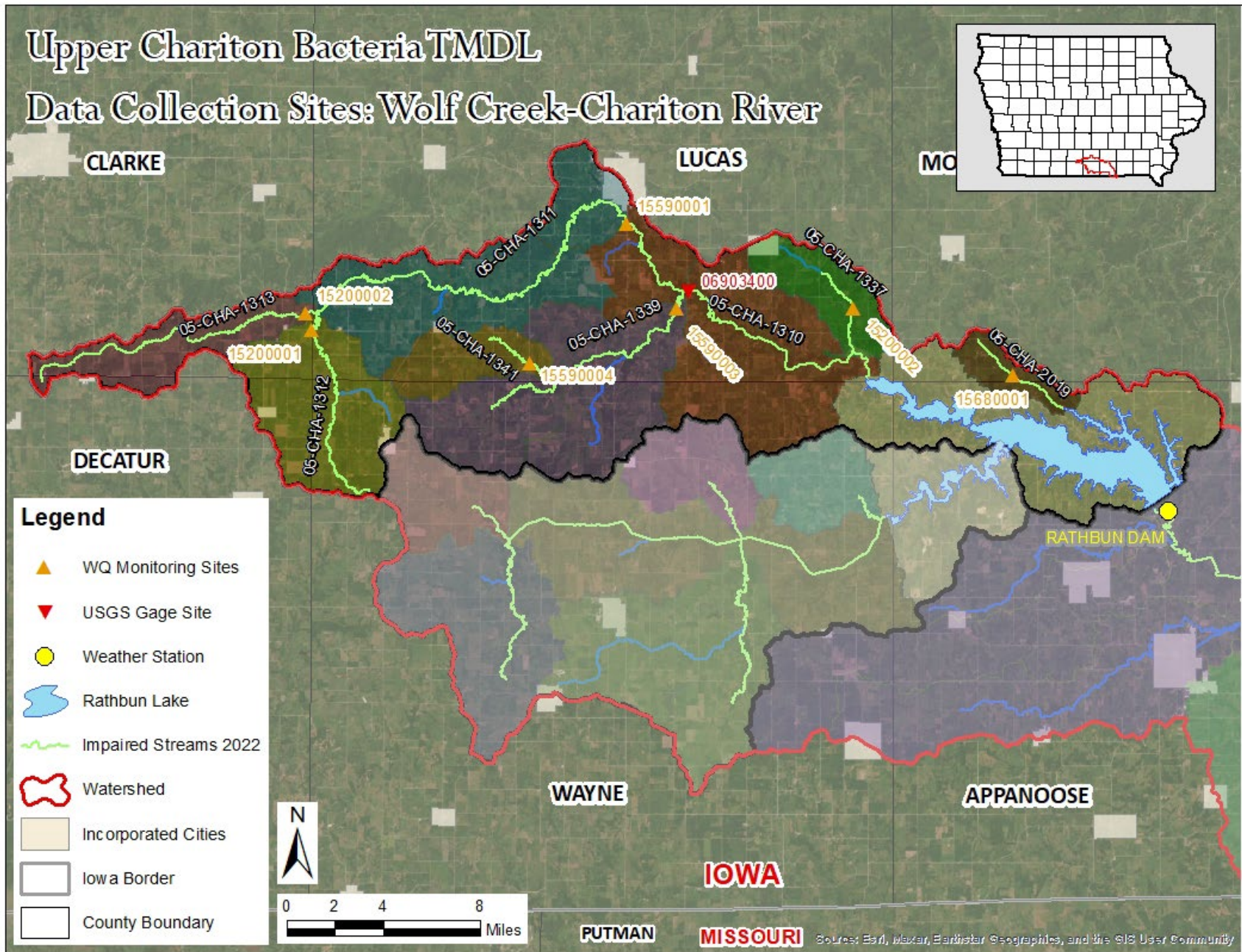


Figure 4.2. Data Sources Wolf Creek-Chariton River HUC-10.

### *Interpreting the Data*

Analysis of the data show consistently high *E. coli* levels that exceed the criteria set in Iowa's WQS for primary and secondary contact recreation. Significant reductions in *E. coli* loading will be required to comply with the standards and fully support the designated recreational use in the impaired segments.

## **4.2 Pollution Source Assessment**

### *Identification of Pollutant Sources*

There are a variety of *E. coli* sources in the Wolf Creek - Chariton River watershed. These sources can be divided into two categories, point and non-point sources. Point sources may include municipal separate storm sewer systems (MS4s), municipal and industrial wastewater treatment facilities (WWTFs), sanitary sewer overflows (SSOs), onsite wastewater systems with permitted discharges, and animal feeding operations (AFOs) regulated as concentrated animal feeding operations (CAFOs). Nonpoint sources include wildlife, manure application to row crops, grazing livestock and small feeding operations, direct deposition by livestock in streams, and non-permitted (i.e., non-discharging) onsite wastewater systems.

Load duration curves (LDCs) were used in the development of *E. coli* TMDLs for impaired stream segments in the Wolf Creek - Chariton River Watershed (Section 4.2). The use of LDCs is helpful for understanding the importance that hydrology plays on pollutant loading. Information illustrated in LDCs provides a basic understanding of the importance of potential pollutant sources, although the approach does not offer explicit calculation of source-specific pollutant loads. However, when analyzed in conjunction with a detailed inventory of sources, LDCs can provide a quantitative means of comparing the relative importance of specific pollutant sources.

### *Point Sources*

There are a total of three active NPDES permits for waste water treatment facilities (WWTF) in this watershed. In addition, there is one unsewered communities (Le Roy), nine General Permit #4 permits, and eight concentrated animal feeding operations (CAFOs) of over 1,000 animal units requiring an NPDES permit. Figure 4.3 shows the locations of all NPDES permitted wastewater facilities, concentrated animal feeding operations, unsewered communities, and private facilities that discharge under an NPDES General Permit #4. A full inventory of dischargers and their respective WLAs is provided in Appendix C.

### *Nonpoint Sources*

The nonpoint sources of pathogen indicators include contributors that do not have localized points of release into a stream. In the watershed these sources are:

- Grazing animals
- Direct deposition of manure in streams
- Land application and subsequent runoff of manure
- Developed / urban area runoff
- Wildlife
- Faulty septic tank systems

### *Allowance for Increases in Pollutant Loads*

There is one unsewered community in the Wolf Creek-Chariton River HUC 10. A reserve wasteload allocation was calculated for each community and applied to the WLA for the associated segment. Appendix C.2 lists all the unsewered communities in the Upper Chariton watershed. A new source or a new discharger must not discharge to the waters protected by this TMDL unless its construction or operation will not cause or contribute to the impairment addressed by this TMDL.



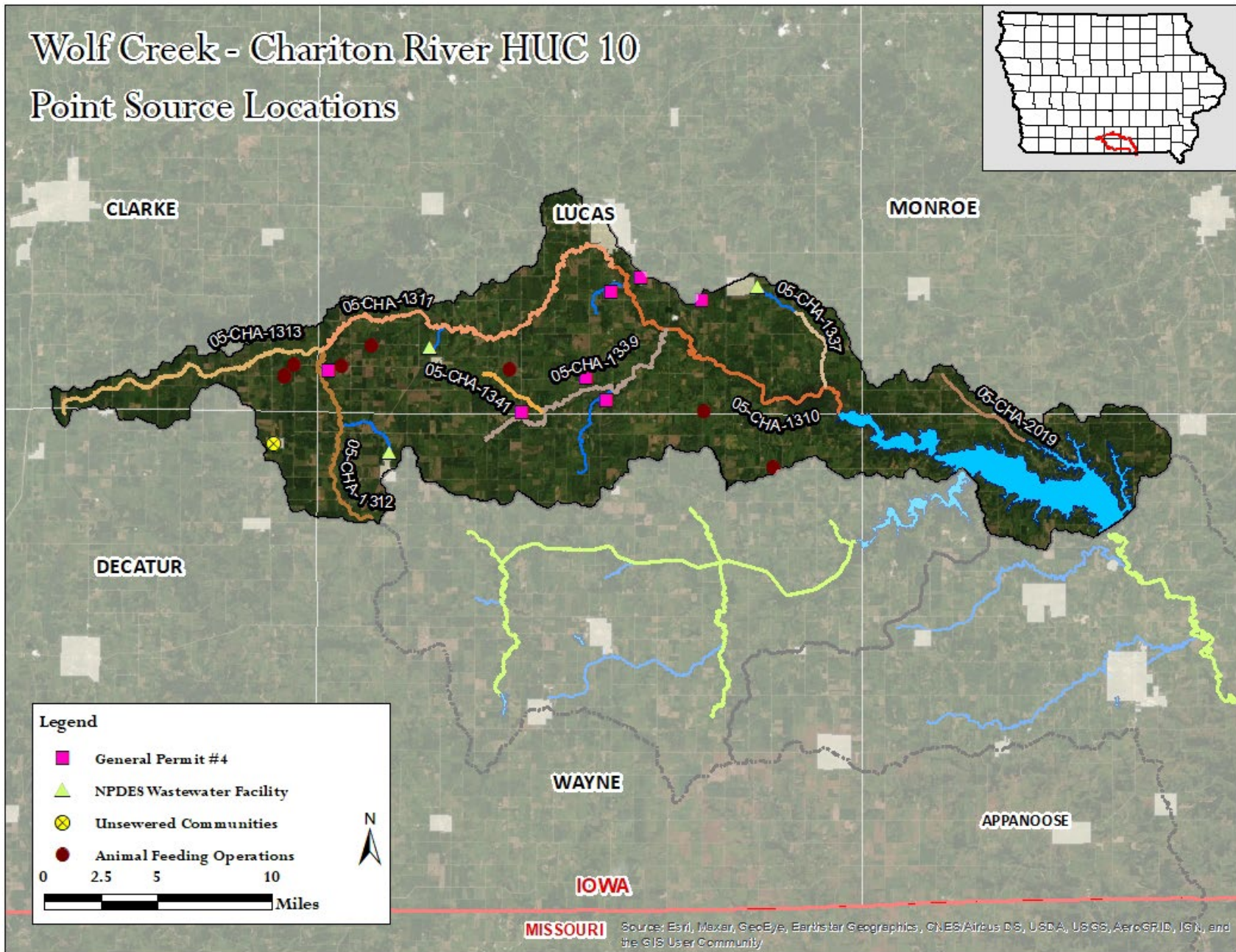


Figure 4.3. Map of the Wolf Creek - Chariton River Point Sources

### 4.3 Pollutant Allocation

#### Wasteload Allocation

A WLA was calculated for each wastewater treatment facility (WWTF) and an aggregate reserve WLA for unsewered communities in the watershed. Table 4.4 shows the aggregate WLA summary by facility type for the Wolf Creek - Upper Chariton River watershed. Individual WLAs for each discharger are included in Appendix C.

**Table 4.4. Wasteload Allocations for Wolf Creek-Chariton River HUC-10.**

| Facility Type          | Number of Facilities | Flow (MGD) <sup>(1)</sup> | GM Conc (orgs/100 ml) <sup>(2)</sup> | GM Load (orgs/day) | SSM Conc (orgs/100 ml) <sup>(2)</sup> | SSM Load (orgs/day)     |
|------------------------|----------------------|---------------------------|--------------------------------------|--------------------|---------------------------------------|-------------------------|
| WWTF <sup>(2)(3)</sup> | 3                    | 0.715 <sup>(3)</sup>      | 126                                  | 3.41E+09           | 235                                   | 3.60E+09 <sup>(3)</sup> |
| Unsewered              | 1                    | 0.0014                    | 126                                  | 6.68E+06           | 235                                   | 1.25E+07                |
| CAFO <sup>(4)</sup>    | 8                    | 0                         | 126                                  | 0.00E+00           | 235                                   | 0.00E+00                |
| GP #4 <sup>(5)</sup>   | 9                    | 0.00435 <sup>(6)</sup>    | 235                                  | 3.87E+07           | 235                                   | 3.60E+07                |
| <b>Totals</b>          | <b>21</b>            | <b>0.7208</b>             | <b>--</b>                            | <b>3.46E+09</b>    | <b>--</b>                             | <b>3.65E+09</b>         |

(1) Flows used to calculate the wasteload allocation. See Appendix C.

(2) SSM WLA's were calculated for assessment purposes to determine an appropriate LA (nonpoint source). As per IAC 567 62.8(2) daily sample maximum criteria for *E. coli* shall not be used as an end-of-pipe limitation.

(3) The City of Russell discharges to Stream Segment IA 05-CHA-1337 which is only impaired for the GM. Therefore, the City of Russell was not included in the SSM calculations and the flow value must be reduced by 0.31 mgd (0.715 - .031 = 0.405 ) when calculating SSM values.

(4) Facilities with 1,000 or more AU requiring a NPDES permit

(5) General Permit #4, effluent discharge permitted for 235 orgs/100 ml.

(6) There is one GP#4 that discharges to Stream Segment IA 05-CHA-1337. This stream segment is only impaired for the GM. Therefore, when calculating the SSM load the flow value must be reduced by 0.0003 mgd (0.00435 - 0.0003 = 0.00405).

#### Load Allocation

Nonpoint sources result from livestock, pets, wildlife, and humans that live, work, and play in and around the stream. Specific examples of potential nonpoint sources of bacteria include animals directly depositing into streams, manure applied to row crops, manure runoff from grazed land, non-permitted onsite wastewater systems, and natural sources such as wildlife.

#### Margin of Safety

An explicit margin of safety (MOS) of 10 percent is applied to the calculation of loading capacities in this TMDL. The loading capacity for each segment is set equal to the appropriate water quality criteria (less 10 percent) with the goal of achieving the criteria at the sampling location. As a result, TMDLs do not consider dilution to meet WQS nor do they consider bacteria die-off and settling, which occur. Consequently, bacteria TMDLs are conservative.

#### Departure from Load Capacity & Critical Conditions

The LDCs, observed loads, and observed loads for each flow condition are plotted in Figure 4.4 through Figure 4.18. This methodology enables calculation of a TMDL target at the midpoint of each flow condition for each impaired segment, as provided in Table 4.5 through Table 4.19. For stream segments impaired for both the SSM and GM criteria figures and tables are provided. However, stream segment IA 05-CHA-1337 is only impaired for the GM criterion consequently, only the figure and table associated with the GM criterion is provided for this stream segment.

The critical condition for each TMDL is highlighted in yellow in each table. The critical condition is the flow requiring the largest percent reduction. However, the high flow or low flow conditions are not considered because these flow conditions are not representative of typical conditions (EPA, 2006). The exception to this is stream segment IA 05-CHA-1337 where the percent reduction for the wet to dry flow conditions are zero (0). Consequently, the critical condition is simply selected as the flow condition requiring the largest percent reduction.

Load Duration Curve

Figure 4.4 through Figure 4.18 show load durations for the impaired stream segments in this watershed. Table 4.5 through Table 4.19 are the existing load estimates and the TMDL summary for each impaired segment.

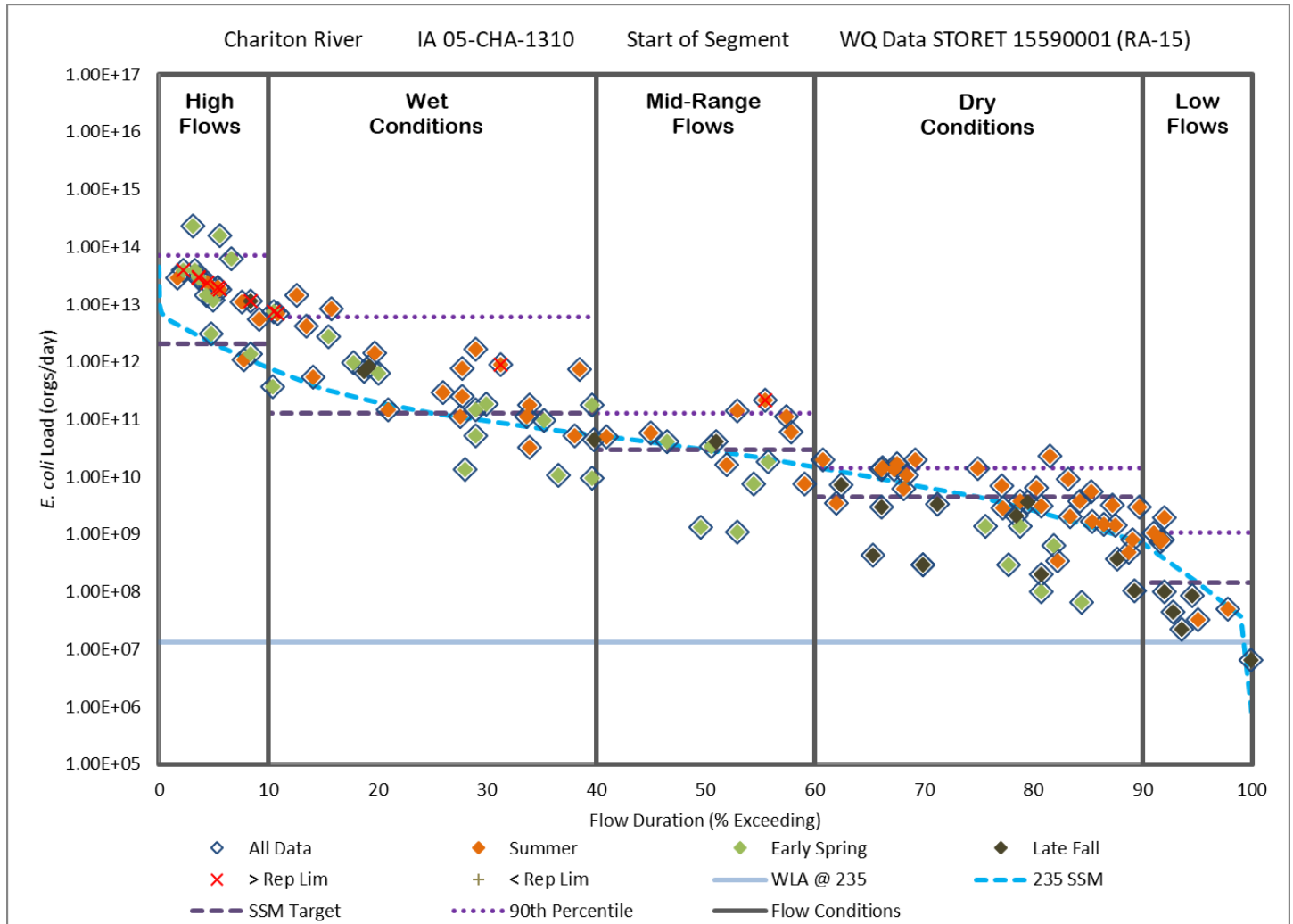


Figure 4.4. Load Duration Curve based on the SSM for IA 05-CHA-1310.

Table 4.5. Existing Load Estimates, Departures, and TMDLs Summary based on the SSM for IA 05-CHA-1310.

| Load Summary                      | Loads (orgs/day) |               |               |               |               |
|-----------------------------------|------------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|
|                                   | High             | Wet           | Mid-Range     | Dry           | Low           |
| 90th Percentile                   | 7.22E+13         | 6.00E+12      | 1.29E+11      | 1.41E+10      | 1.05E+09      |
| Capacity @ 235 orgs/100 ml (TMDL) | 2.05E+12         | 1.29E+11      | 2.93E+10      | 4.40E+09      | 1.47E+08      |
| SSM Departure (% Reduction)       | 7.02E+13 (97)    | 5.87E+12 (98) | 9.95E+10 (77) | 9.71E+09 (69) | 9.05E+08 (86) |
| WLA                               | 1.33E+07         | 1.33E+07      | 1.33E+07      | 1.33E+07      | 1.33E+07      |
| LA                                | 1.85E+12         | 1.16E+11      | 2.64E+10      | 3.94E+09      | 1.19E+08      |
| MOS                               | 2.05E+11         | 1.29E+10      | 2.93E+09      | 4.40E+08      | 1.47E+07      |
| Midpoint Flow (cfs)               | 356.9            | 22.4          | 5.1           | 0.76          | 0.03          |

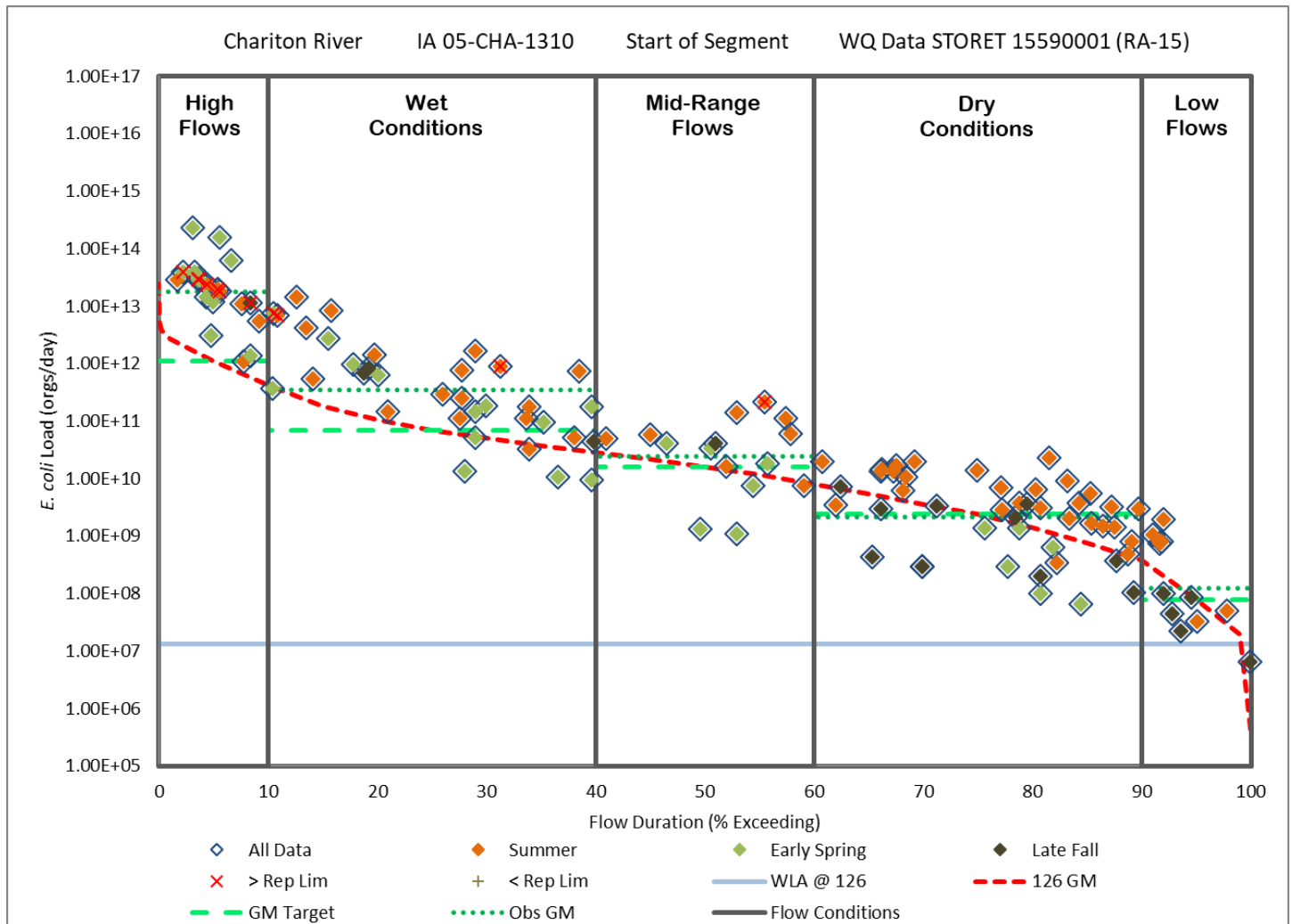


Figure 4.5. Load Duration Curve based on the GM for IA 05-CHA-1310.

Table 4.6. Existing Load Estimates, Departures, and TMDLs Summary based on the GM for IA 05-CHA-1310.

| Load Summary                      | Loads (orgs/day) |                      |               |               |               |
|-----------------------------------|------------------|----------------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|
|                                   | High             | Wet                  | Mid-Range     | Dry           | Low           |
| Geometric Mean                    | 1.75E+13         | 3.50E+11             | 2.46E+10      | 2.15E+09      | 1.24E+08      |
| Capacity @ 126 orgs/100 ml (TMDL) | 1.10E+12         | 6.91E+10             | 1.57E+10      | 2.36E+09      | 7.86E+07      |
| GM Departure (% Reduction)        | 1.64E+13 (94)    | <b>2.81E+11 (80)</b> | 8.90E+09 (36) | -2.06E+08 (0) | 4.56E+07 (37) |
| WLA                               | 1.33E+07         | 1.33E+07             | 1.33E+07      | 1.33E+07      | 1.33E+07      |
| LA                                | 9.90E+11         | 6.22E+10             | 1.41E+10      | 2.11E+09      | 5.74E+07      |
| MOS                               | 1.10E+11         | 6.91E+09             | 1.57E+09      | 2.36E+08      | 7.86E+06      |
| Midpoint Flow (cfs)               | 356.9            | 22.4                 | 5.1           | 0.8           | 0.03          |

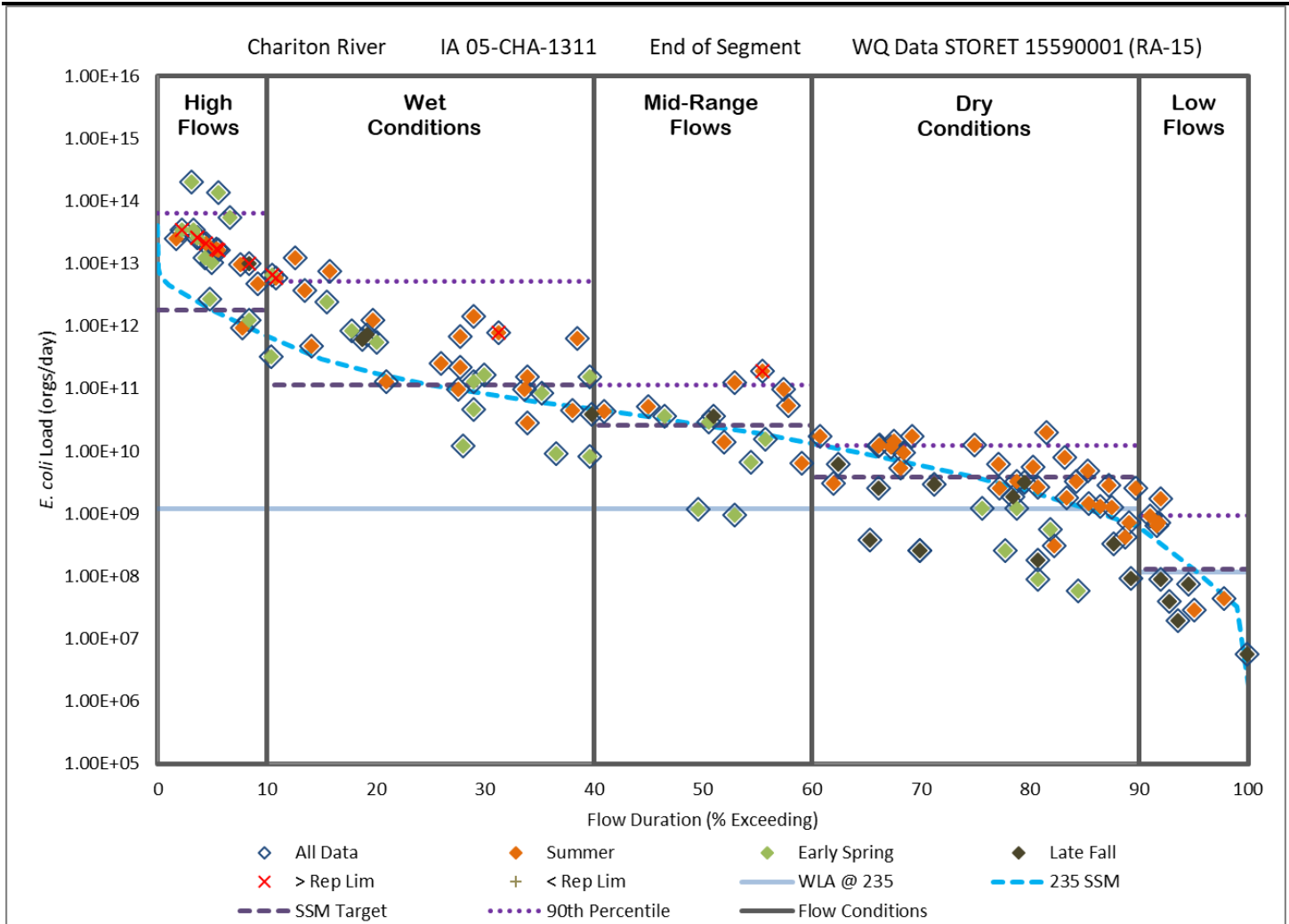


Figure 4.6. Load Duration Curve based on the SSM for IA 05-CHA-1311.

Table 4.7. Existing Load Estimates, Departures, and TMDLs Summary based on the SSM for IA 05-CHA-1311.

| Load Summary                         | Loads (orgs/day) |                                |                  |                  |                         |
|--------------------------------------|------------------|--------------------------------|------------------|------------------|-------------------------|
|                                      | High             | Wet                            | Mid-Range        | Dry              | Low                     |
| 90th Percentile                      | 6.34E+13         | 5.27E+12                       | 1.13E+11         | 1.24E+10         | 9.24E+08                |
| Capacity @ 235<br>orgs/100 ml (TMDL) | 1.80E+12         | 1.13E+11                       | 2.58E+10         | 3.86E+09         | 1.29E+08                |
| SSM Departure<br>(% Reduction)       | 6.16E+13<br>(97) | <b>5.16E+12</b><br><b>(98)</b> | 8.74E+10<br>(77) | 8.53E+09<br>(69) | 7.95E+08<br>(86)        |
| WLA <sup>(1)</sup>                   | 1.21E+09         | 1.21E+09                       | 1.21E+09         | 1.21E+09         | 1.16E+08 <sup>(1)</sup> |
| LA                                   | 1.62E+12         | 1.01E+11                       | 2.20E+10         | 2.27E+09         | --                      |
| MOS                                  | 1.80E+11         | 1.13E+10                       | 2.58E+09         | 3.86E+08         | 1.29E+07                |
| Midpoint Flow (cfs)                  | 313.5            | 19.7                           | 4.5              | 0.67             | 0.022                   |

(1) The WLA from the NPDES permitted facilities exceeds the loading capacity of the stream segment during low flow conditions. The WLA is assigned the TMDL target value less 10% of the TMDL target value.

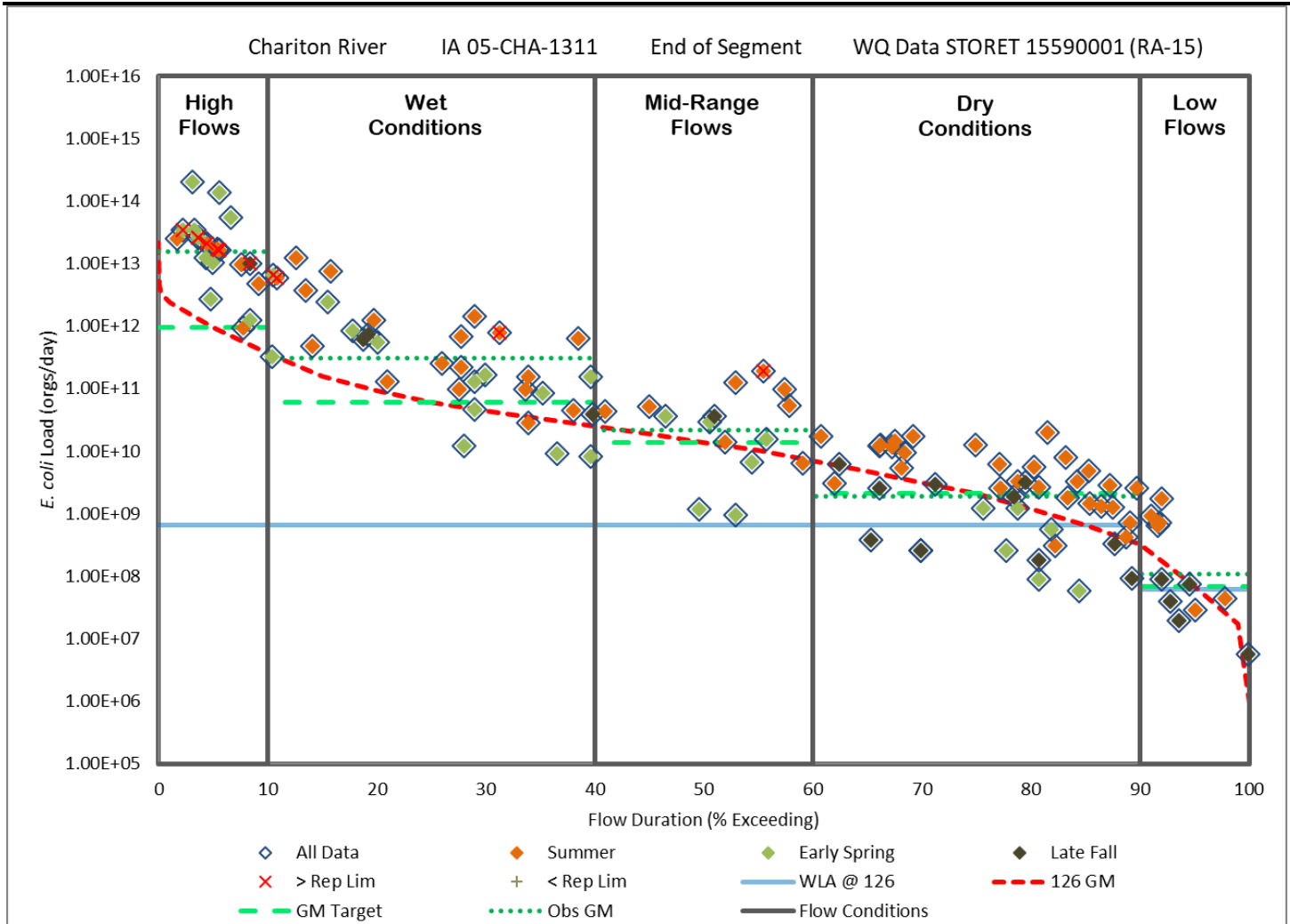


Figure 4.7. Load Duration Curve based on the GM for IA 05-CHA-1311.

Table 4.8. Existing Load Estimates, Departures, and TMDLs Summary based on the GM for IA 05-CHA-1311.

| Load Summary                      | Loads (orgs/day) |                      |               |               |                         |
|-----------------------------------|------------------|----------------------|---------------|---------------|-------------------------|
|                                   | High             | Wet                  | Mid-Range     | Dry           | Low                     |
| Geometric Mean                    | 1.53E+13         | 3.07E+11             | 2.16E+10      | 1.89E+09      | 1.09E+08                |
| Capacity @ 126 orgs/100 ml (TMDL) | 9.67E+11         | 6.07E+10             | 1.38E+10      | 2.07E+09      | 6.90E+07                |
| GM Departure (% Reduction)        | 1.44E+13 (94)    | <b>2.46E+11 (80)</b> | 7.82E+09 (36) | -1.81E+08 (0) | 4.00E+07 (37)           |
| WLA <sup>(1)</sup>                | 6.53E+08         | 6.53E+08             | 6.53E+08      | 6.53E+08      | 6.21E+07 <sup>(1)</sup> |
| LA                                | 8.69E+11         | 5.40E+10             | 1.18E+10      | 1.21E+09      | --                      |
| MOS                               | 9.67E+10         | 6.07E+09             | 1.38E+09      | 2.07E+08      | 6.90E+06                |
| Midpoint Flow (cfs)               | 313.5            | 19.7                 | 4.5           | 0.7           | 0.02                    |

(1) The WLA from the NPDES permitted facilities exceeds the loading capacity of the stream segment during low flow conditions. The WLA is assigned the TMDL target value less 10% of the TMDL target value.

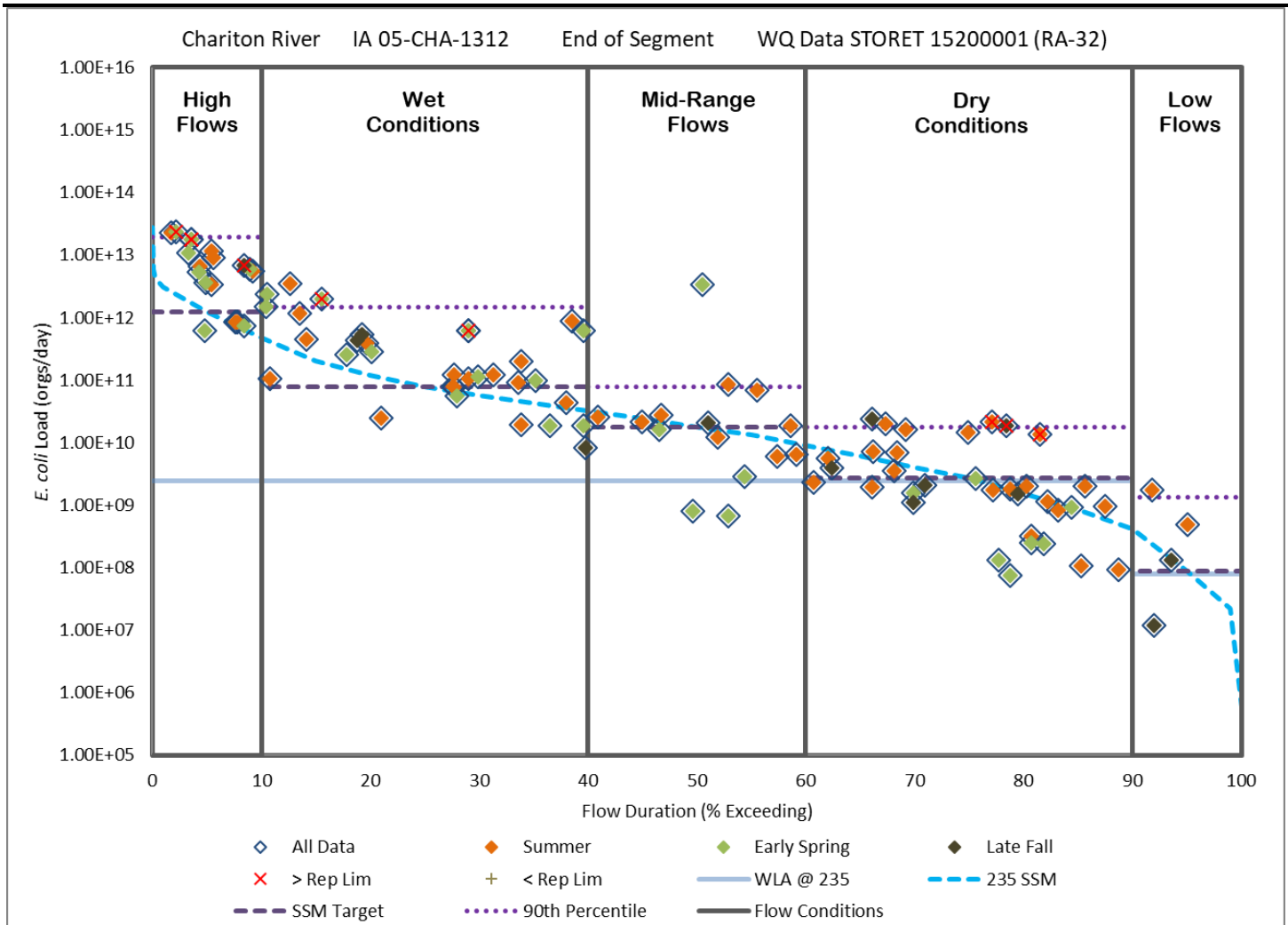


Figure 4.8. Load Duration Curve based on the SSM for IA 05-CHA-1312.

Table 4.9. Existing Load Estimates, Departures, and TMDLs Summary based on the SSM for IA 05-CHA-1312.

| Load Summary                      | Loads (orgs/day) |                      |               |                         |                         |
|-----------------------------------|------------------|----------------------|---------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|
|                                   | High             | Wet                  | Mid-Range     | Dry                     | Low                     |
| 90th Percentile                   | 1.92E+13         | 1.47E+12             | 7.92E+10      | 1.79E+10                | 1.35E+09                |
| Capacity @ 235 orgs/100 ml (TMDL) | 1.24E+12         | 7.80E+10             | 1.77E+10      | 2.66E+09                | 8.87E+07                |
| SSM Departure (% Reduction)       | 1.80E+13 (94)    | <b>1.40E+12 (95)</b> | 6.15E+10 (78) | 1.53E+10 (85)           | 1.26E+09 (93)           |
| WLA <sup>(1)</sup>                | 2.42E+09         | 2.42E+09             | 2.42E+09      | 2.40E+09 <sup>(1)</sup> | 7.98E+07 <sup>(1)</sup> |
| LA                                | 1.12E+12         | 6.78E+10             | 1.35E+10      | --                      | --                      |
| MOS                               | 1.24E+11         | 7.80E+09             | 1.77E+09      | 2.66E+08                | 8.87E+06                |
| Midpoint Flow (cfs)               | 216.0            | 13.6                 | 3.1           | 0.46                    | 0.015                   |

(1) The WLA from the NPDES permitted facilities exceeds the loading capacity of the stream segment during the dry and low flow conditions. The WLA is assigned the TMDL target value less 10% of the TMDL target value.

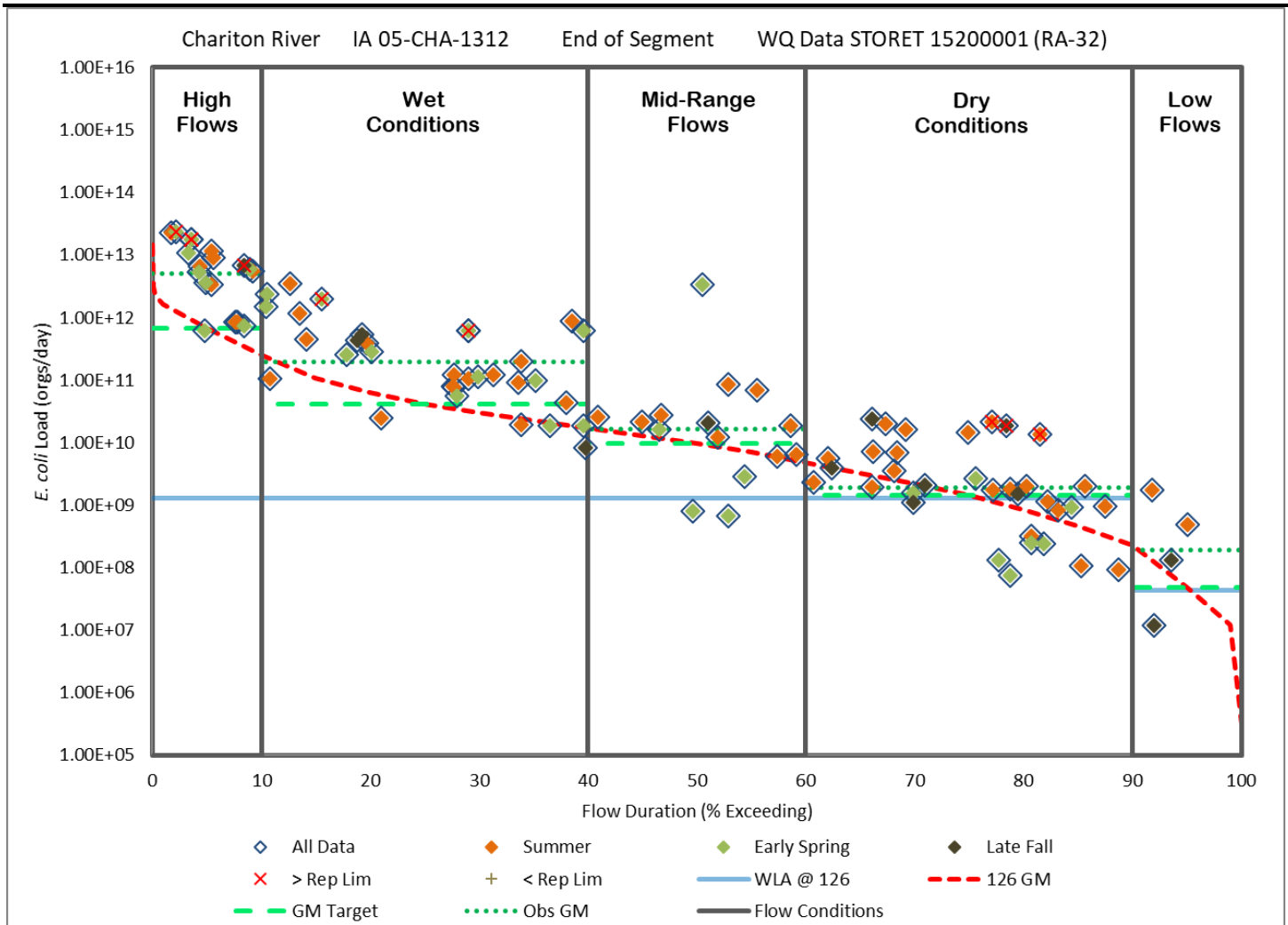


Figure 4.9. Load Duration Curve based on the GM for IA 05-CHA-1312.

Table 4.10. Existing Load Estimates, Departures, and TMDLs Summary based on the GM for IA 05-CHA-1312.

| Load Summary                      | Loads (orgs/day) |                                |                  |                         |                         |
|-----------------------------------|------------------|--------------------------------|------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|
|                                   | High             | Wet                            | Mid-Range        | Dry                     | Low                     |
| Geometric Mean                    | 5.12E+12         | 1.92E+11                       | 1.62E+10         | 1.90E+09                | 1.90E+08                |
| Capacity @ 126 orgs/100 ml (TMDL) | 6.66E+11         | 4.18E+10                       | 9.51E+09         | 1.43E+09                | 4.76E+07                |
| GM Departure<br>(% Reduction)     | 4.45E+12<br>(87) | <b>1.50E+11</b><br><b>(78)</b> | 6.72E+09<br>(41) | 4.72E+08<br>(25)        | 1.43E+08<br>(75)        |
| WLA <sup>(1)</sup>                | 1.30E+09         | 1.30E+09                       | 1.30E+09         | 1.28E+09 <sup>(1)</sup> | 4.28E+07 <sup>(1)</sup> |
| LA                                | 5.98E+11         | 3.63E+10                       | 7.26E+09         | --                      | --                      |
| MOS                               | 6.66E+10         | 4.18E+09                       | 9.51E+08         | 1.43E+08                | 4.76E+06                |
| Midpoint Flow (cfs)               | 216.0            | 13.6                           | 3.1              | 0.5                     | 0.02                    |

(1) The WLA from the NPDES permitted facilities exceeds the loading capacity of the stream segment during the dry and low flow conditions. The WLA is assigned the TMDL target value less 10% of the TMDL target value.



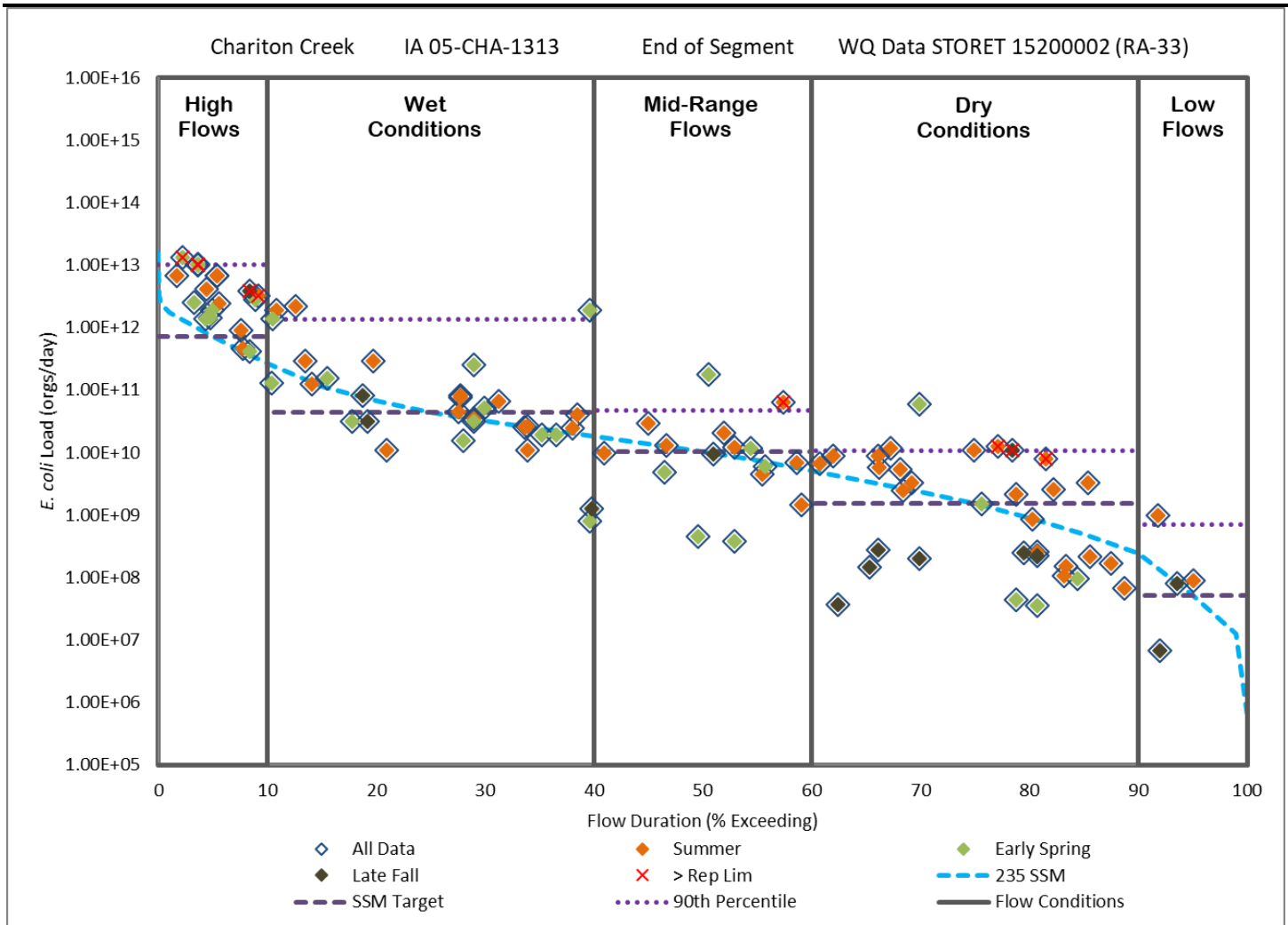


Figure 4.10. Load Duration Curve based on the SSM for IA 05-CHA-1313.

Table 4.11. Existing Load Estimates, Departures, and TMDLs Summary based on the SSM for IA 05-CHA-1313.

| Load Summary                      | Loads (orgs/day) |                      |               |               |               |
|-----------------------------------|------------------|----------------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|
|                                   | High             | Wet                  | Mid-Range     | Dry           | Low           |
| 90th Percentile                   | 1.01E+13         | 1.36E+12             | 4.68E+10      | 1.07E+10      | 7.13E+08      |
| Capacity @ 235 orgs/100 ml (TMDL) | 7.09E+11         | 4.45E+10             | 1.01E+10      | 1.52E+09      | 5.07E+07      |
| SSM Departure (% Reduction)       | 9.42E+12 (93)    | <b>1.32E+12 (97)</b> | 3.67E+10 (78) | 9.18E+09 (86) | 6.63E+08 (93) |
| WLA                               | 0.00E+00         | 0.00E+00             | 0.00E+00      | 0.00E+00      | 0.00E+00      |
| LA                                | 6.38E+11         | 4.01E+10             | 9.12E+09      | 1.37E+09      | 4.56E+07      |
| MOS                               | 7.09E+10         | 4.45E+09             | 1.01E+09      | 1.52E+08      | 5.07E+06      |
| Midpoint Flow (cfs)               | 123.4            | 7.7                  | 1.8           | 0.26          | 0.01          |

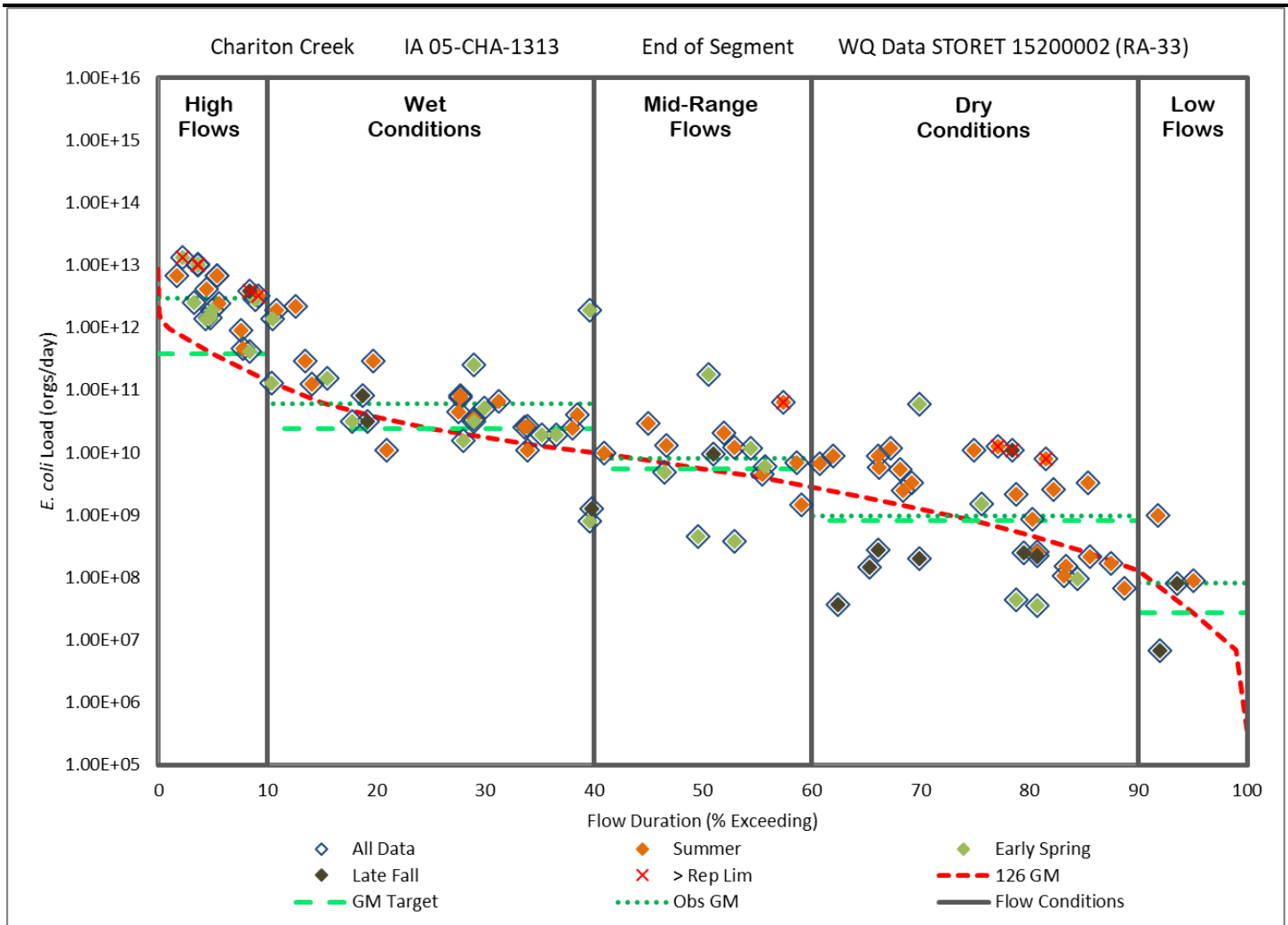


Figure 4.11. Load Duration Curve based on the GM for IA 05-CHA-1313.

Table 4.12. Existing Load Estimates, Departures, and TMDLs Summary based on the GM for IA 05-CHA-1313.

| Load Summary                      | Loads (orgs/day) |                          |                  |                  |                  |
|-----------------------------------|------------------|--------------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|
|                                   | High             | Wet                      | Mid-Range        | Dry              | Low              |
| Geometric Mean                    | 2.92E+12         | 6.10E+10                 | 7.94E+09         | 9.78E+08         | 8.25E+07         |
| Capacity @ 126 orgs/100 ml (TMDL) | 3.80E+11         | 2.39E+10                 | 5.43E+09         | 8.15E+08         | 2.72E+07         |
| GM Departure<br>(% Reduction)     | 2.54E+12<br>(87) | <b>3.71E+10<br/>(61)</b> | 2.51E+09<br>(32) | 1.63E+08<br>(17) | 5.53E+07<br>(67) |
| WLA                               | 0.00E+00         | 0.00E+00                 | 0.00E+00         | 0.00E+00         | 0.00E+00         |
| LA                                | 3.42E+11         | 2.15E+10                 | 4.89E+09         | 7.34E+08         | 2.45E+07         |
| MOS                               | 3.80E+10         | 2.39E+09                 | 5.43E+08         | 8.15E+07         | 2.72E+06         |
| Midpoint Flow (cfs)               | 123.4            | 7.7                      | 1.8              | 0.26             | 0.01             |



Figure 4.12. Load Duration Curve based on the GM for IA 05-CHA-1337.

Table 4.13. Existing Load Estimates, Departures, and TMDLs Summary based on the GM for IA 05-CHA-1337.

| Load Summary                      | Loads (orgs/day) |               |               |               |                         |
|-----------------------------------|------------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|-------------------------|
|                                   | High             | Wet           | Mid-Range     | Dry           | Low                     |
| Geometric Mean                    | 2.01E+12         | 8.80E+10      | 7.92E+09      | 1.40E+09      | 1.49E+08                |
| Capacity @ 126 orgs/100 ml (TMDL) | 1.46E+12         | 9.17E+10      | 2.09E+10      | 3.13E+09      | 1.04E+08                |
| GM Departure (% Reduction)        | 5.52E+11 (27)    | -3.67E+09 (0) | -1.29E+10 (0) | -1.73E+09 (0) | <b>4.48E+07 (30)</b>    |
| WLA <sup>(1)(2)</sup>             | 1.48E+09         | 1.48E+09      | 1.48E+09      | 1.48E+09      | 9.39E+07 <sup>(1)</sup> |
| LA                                | 1.31E+12         | 8.11E+10      | 1.73E+10      | 1.34E+09      | --                      |
| MOS                               | 1.46E+11         | 9.17E+09      | 2.09E+09      | 3.13E+08      | 1.04E+07                |
| Midpoint Flow (cfs)               | 94.8             | 6.0           | 1.4           | 0.2           | 0.01                    |

(1) The WLA from the NPDES permitted facilities exceeds the loading capacity of the stream segment during low flow conditions. The WLA is assigned the TMDL target value less 10% of the TMDL target value.

(2) The City of Russell discharges to a Class A1 designated use stream.

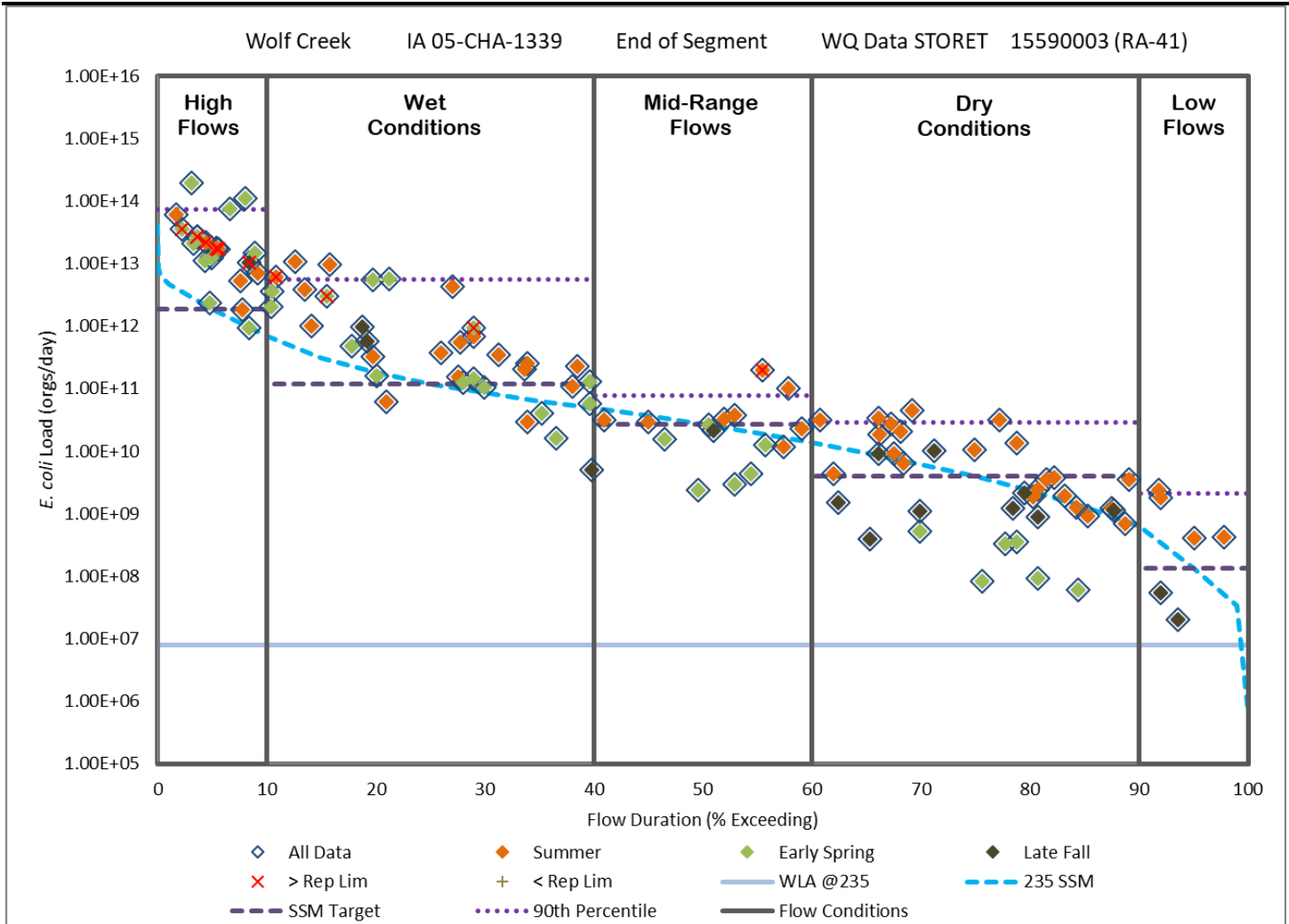


Figure 4.13. Load Duration Curve based on the SSM for IA 05-CHA-1339.

Table 4.14. Existing Load Estimates, Departures, and TMDLs Summary based on the SSM for IA 05-CHA-1339.

| Load Summary                         | Loads (orgs/day) |                                |                  |                  |                  |
|--------------------------------------|------------------|--------------------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|
|                                      | High             | Wet                            | Mid-Range        | Dry              | Low              |
| 90th Percentile                      | 7.43E+13         | 5.57E+12                       | 7.60E+10         | 2.91E+10         | 2.09E+09         |
| Capacity @ 235<br>orgs/100 ml (TMDL) | 1.86E+12         | 1.17E+11                       | 2.66E+10         | 4.00E+09         | 1.33E+08         |
| SSM Departure<br>(% Reduction)       | 7.25E+13<br>(97) | <b>5.45E+12</b><br><b>(98)</b> | 4.94E+10<br>(65) | 2.51E+10<br>(86) | 1.96E+09<br>(94) |
| WLA                                  | 8.01E+06         | 8.01E+06                       | 8.01E+06         | 8.01E+06         | 8.01E+06         |
| LA                                   | 1.68E+12         | 1.05E+11                       | 2.40E+10         | 3.59E+09         | 1.12E+08         |
| MOS                                  | 1.86E+11         | 1.17E+10                       | 2.66E+09         | 4.00E+08         | 1.33E+07         |
| Midpoint Flow (cfs)                  | 324.3            | 20.4                           | 4.6              | 0.69             | 0.02             |

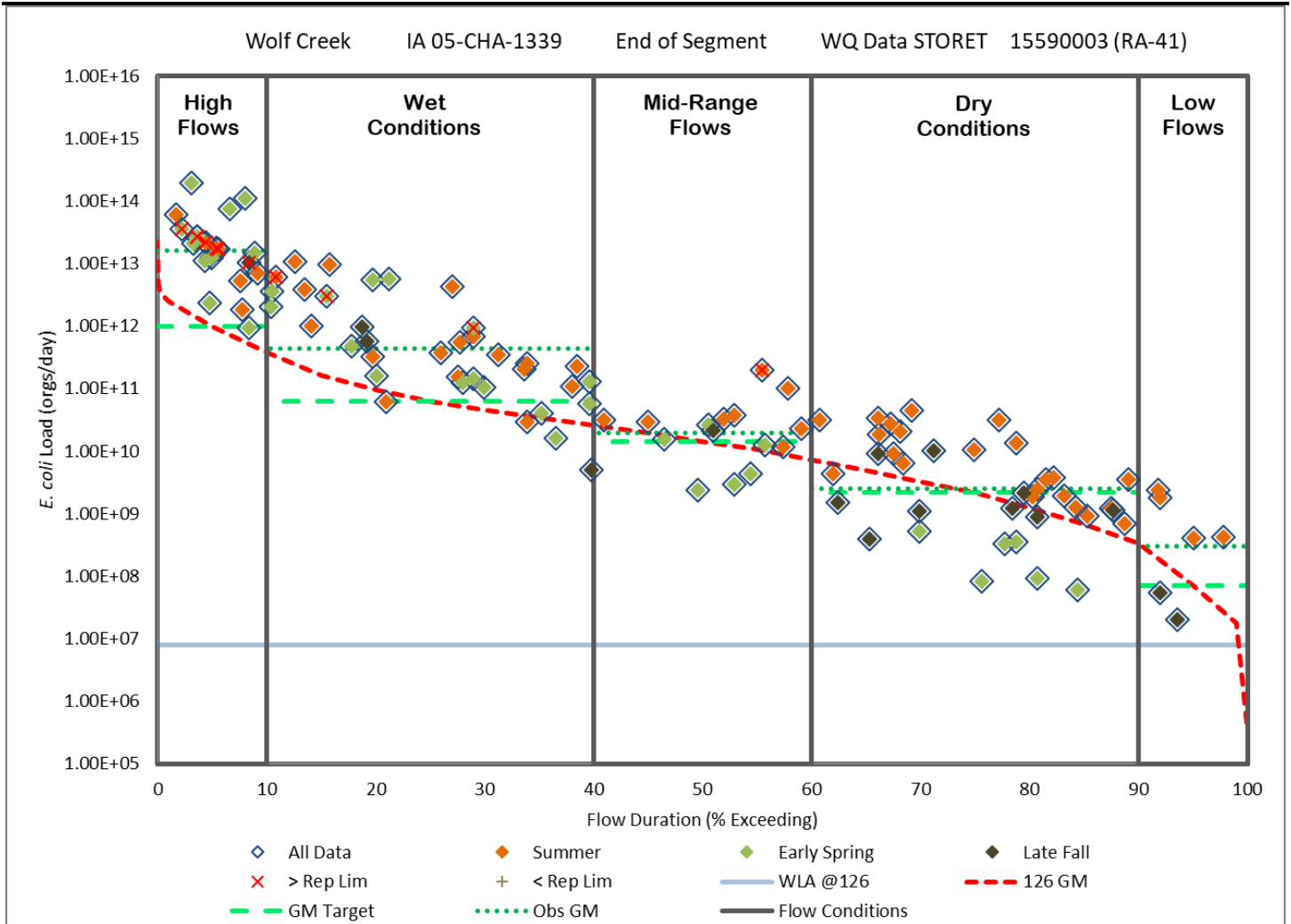


Figure 4.14. Load Duration Curve based on the GM for IA 05-CHA-1339.

Table 4.15. Existing Load Estimates, Departures, and TMDLs Summary based on the GM for IA 05-CHA-1339.

| Load Summary                      | Loads (orgs/day) |                                |                  |                  |                  |
|-----------------------------------|------------------|--------------------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|
|                                   | High             | Wet                            | Mid-Range        | Dry              | Low              |
| Geometric Mean                    | 1.59E+13         | 4.30E+11                       | 1.93E+10         | 2.54E+09         | 3.05E+08         |
| Capacity @ 126 orgs/100 ml (TMDL) | 1.00E+12         | 6.28E+10                       | 1.43E+10         | 2.14E+09         | 7.14E+07         |
| GM Departure<br>(% Reduction)     | 1.49E+13<br>(94) | <b>3.67E+11</b><br><b>(85)</b> | 5.04E+09<br>(26) | 3.95E+08<br>(16) | 2.34E+08<br>(77) |
| WLA                               | 8.01E+06         | 8.01E+06                       | 8.01E+06         | 8.01E+06         | 8.01E+06         |
| LA                                | 9.00E+11         | 5.65E+10                       | 1.28E+10         | 1.92E+09         | 5.63E+07         |
| MOS                               | 1.00E+11         | 6.28E+09                       | 1.43E+09         | 2.14E+08         | 7.14E+06         |
| Midpoint Flow (cfs)               | 324.3            | 20.4                           | 4.6              | 0.7              | 0.02             |

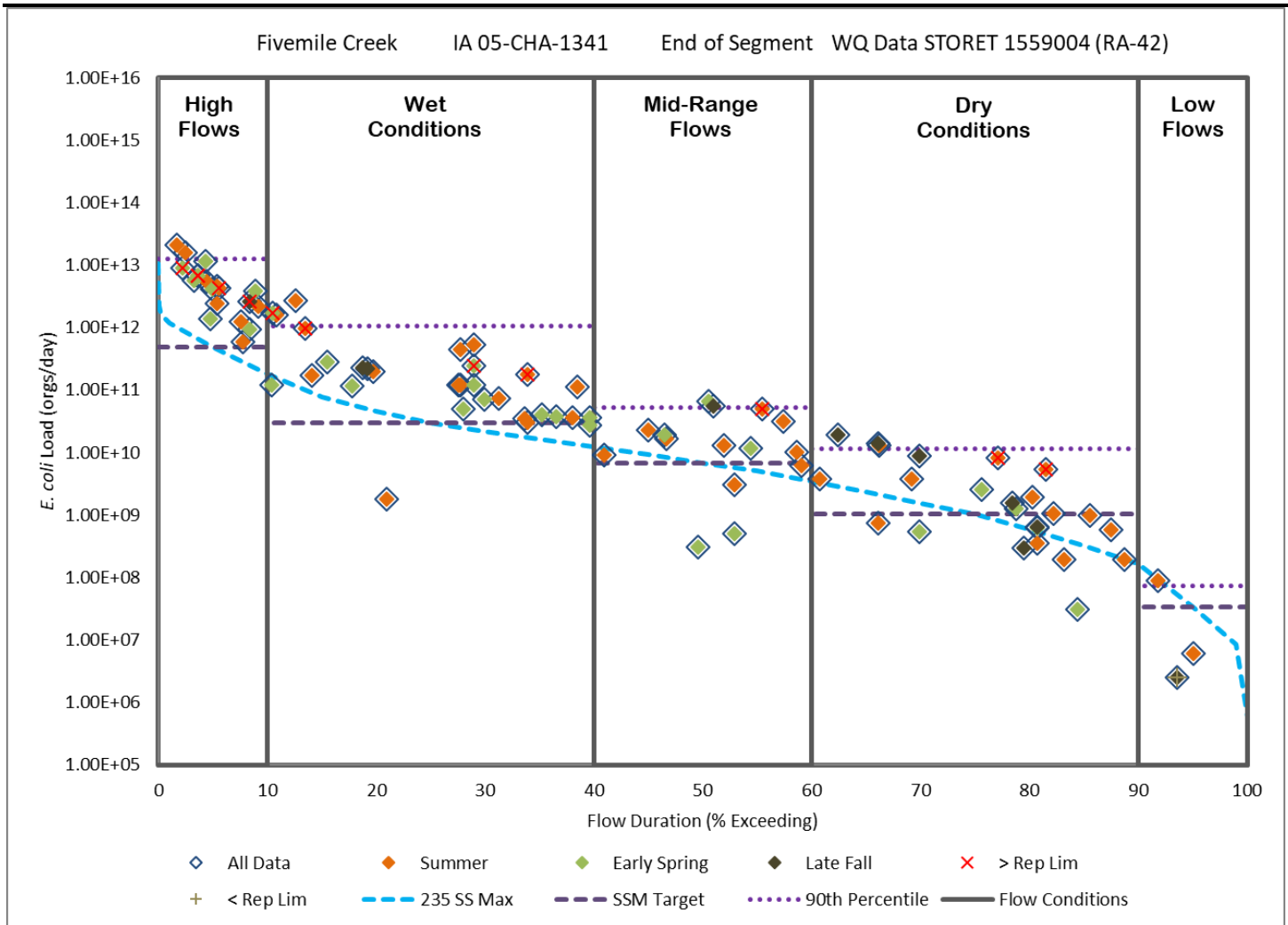


Figure 4.15. Load Duration Curve based on the SSM for IA 05-CHA-1341.

Table 4.16. Existing Load Estimates, Departures, and TMDLs Summary based on the SSM for IA 05-CHA-1341.

| Load Summary                         | Loads (orgs/day) |                                |                  |                  |                  |
|--------------------------------------|------------------|--------------------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|
|                                      | High             | Wet                            | Mid-Range        | Dry              | Low              |
| 90th Percentile                      | 1.24E+13         | 1.04E+12                       | 5.29E+10         | 1.16E+10         | 7.29E+07         |
| Capacity @ 235<br>orgs/100 ml (TMDL) | 4.78E+11         | 3.00E+10                       | 6.82E+09         | 1.02E+09         | 3.41E+07         |
| SSM Departure<br>(% Reduction)       | 1.19E+13<br>(96) | <b>1.01E+12</b><br><b>(97)</b> | 4.61E+10<br>(87) | 1.06E+10<br>(91) | 3.88E+07<br>(53) |
| WLA                                  | 0.00E+00         | 0.00E+00                       | 0.00E+00         | 0.00E+00         | 0.00E+00         |
| LA                                   | 4.30E+11         | 2.70E+10                       | 6.14E+09         | 9.21E+08         | 3.07E+07         |
| MOS                                  | 4.78E+10         | 3.00E+09                       | 6.82E+08         | 1.02E+08         | 3.41E+06         |
| Midpoint Flow (cfs)                  | 83.1             | 5.2                            | 1.2              | 0.18             | 0.01             |

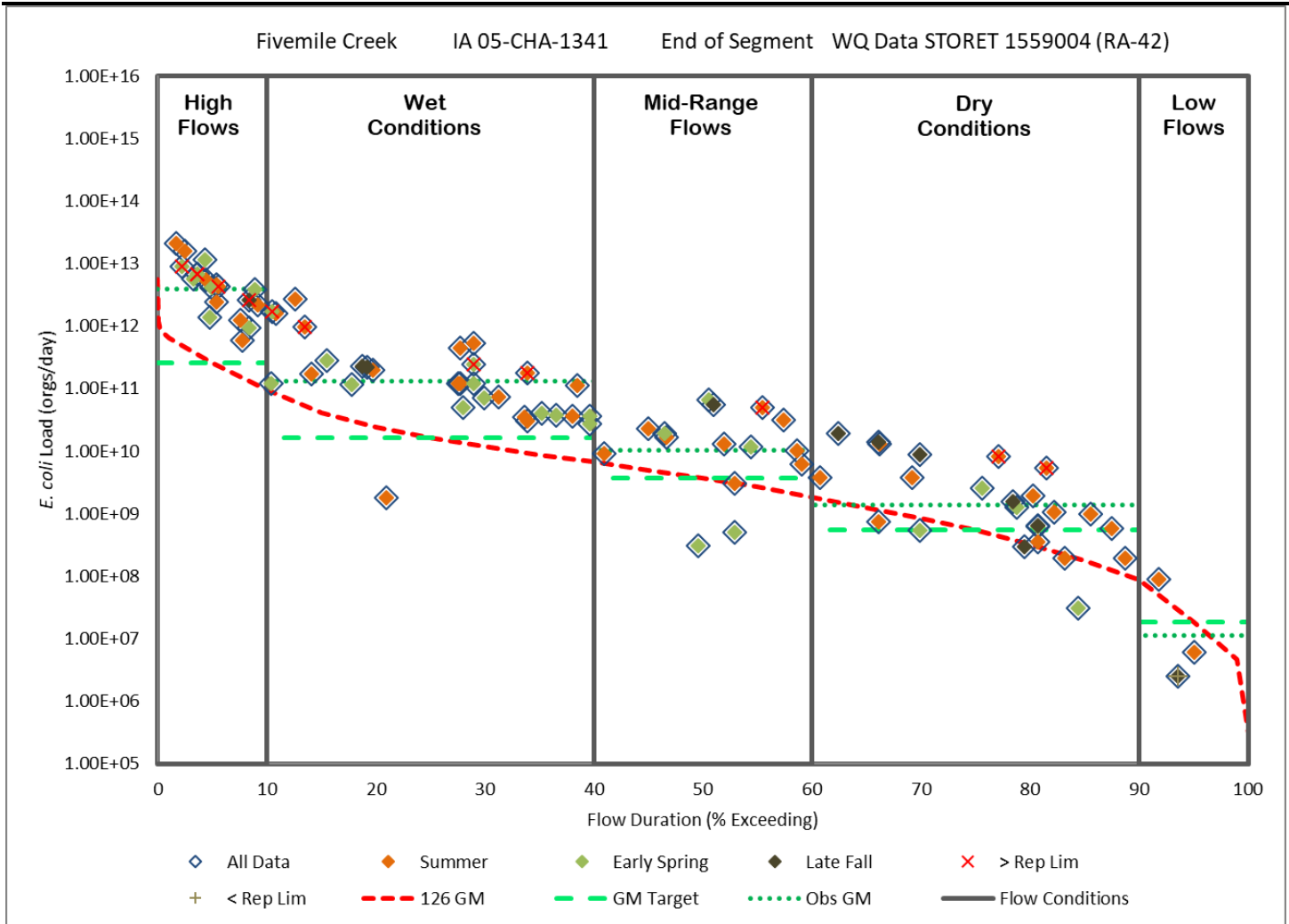


Figure 4.16. Load Duration Curve based on the GM for IA 05-CHA-1341.

Table 4.17. Existing Load Estimates, Departures, and TMDLs Summary based on the GM for IA 05-CHA-1341.

| Load Summary                      | Loads (orgs/day) |                                |                  |                  |                  |
|-----------------------------------|------------------|--------------------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|
|                                   | High             | Wet                            | Mid-Range        | Dry              | Low              |
| Geometric Mean                    | 3.93E+12         | 1.30E+11                       | 1.03E+10         | 1.37E+09         | 1.11E+07         |
| Capacity @ 126 orgs/100 ml (TMDL) | 2.56E+11         | 1.61E+10                       | 3.66E+09         | 5.49E+08         | 1.83E+07         |
| GM Departure<br>(% Reduction)     | 3.67E+12<br>(93) | <b>1.14E+11</b><br><b>(88)</b> | 6.69E+09<br>(65) | 8.24E+08<br>(60) | -7.23E+06<br>(0) |
| WLA                               | 0.00E+00         | 0.00E+00                       | 0.00E+00         | 0.00E+00         | 0.00E+00         |
| LA                                | 2.30E+11         | 1.45E+10                       | 3.29E+09         | 4.94E+08         | 1.65E+07         |
| MOS                               | 2.56E+10         | 1.61E+09                       | 3.66E+08         | 5.49E+07         | 1.83E+06         |
| Midpoint Flow (cfs)               | 83.1             | 5.2                            | 1.2              | 0.2              | 0.01             |

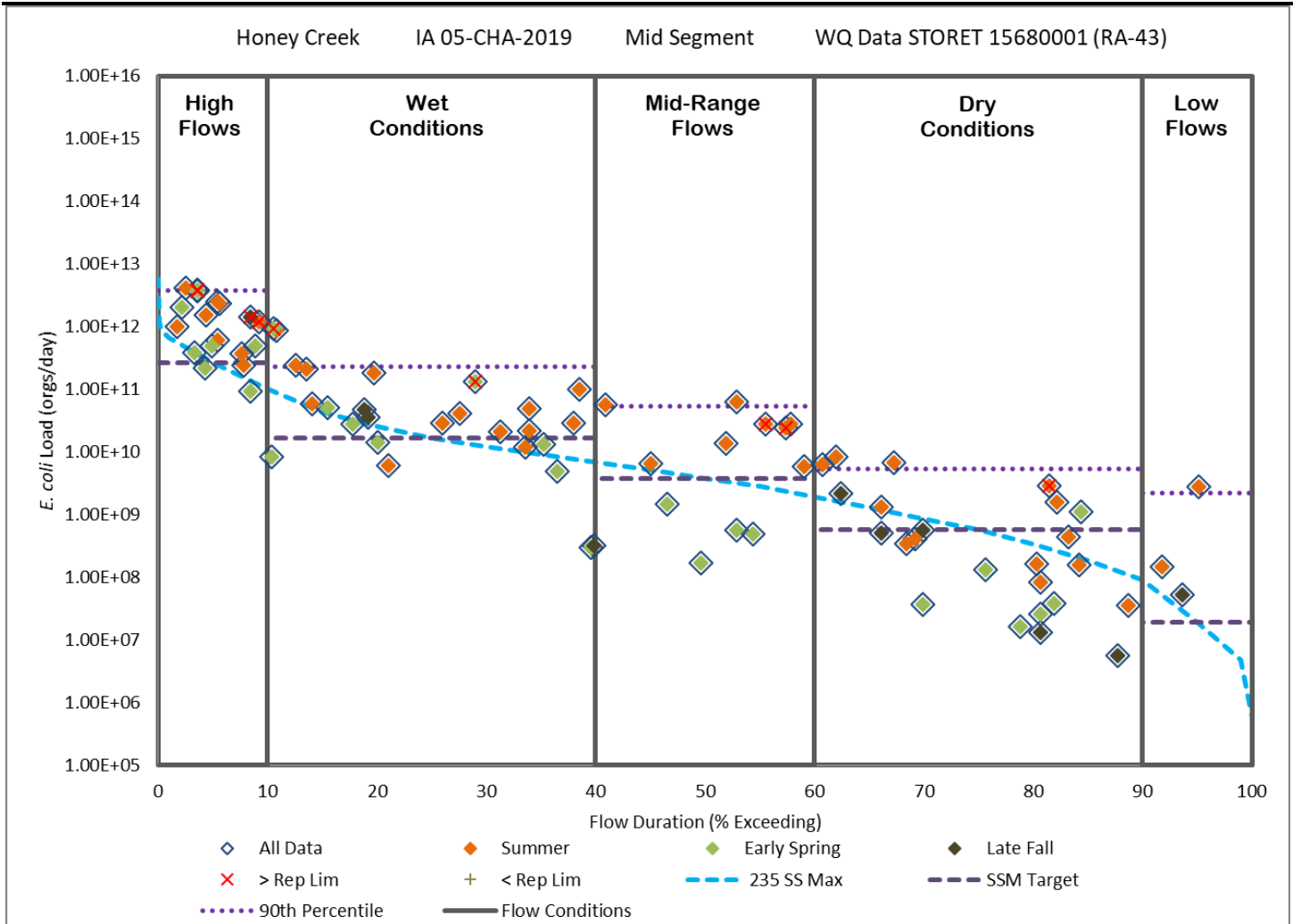


Figure 4.17. Load Duration Curve based on the SSM for IA 05-CHA-2019.

Table 4.18. Existing Loads Estimate, Departure and TMDLs Summary based on the SSM for IA 05-CHA-2019.

| Load Summary                      | Loads (orgs/day) |                      |                      |               |               |
|-----------------------------------|------------------|----------------------|----------------------|---------------|---------------|
|                                   | High             | Wet                  | Mid-Range            | Dry           | Low           |
| 90th Percentile                   | 3.79E+12         | 2.26E+11             | 5.29E+10             | 5.27E+09      | 2.22E+09      |
| Capacity @ 235 orgs/100 ml (TMDL) | 2.65E+11         | 1.67E+10             | 3.79E+09             | 5.69E+08      | 1.90E+07      |
| SSM Departure (% Reduction)       | 3.52E+12 (93)    | <b>2.09E+11 (93)</b> | <b>4.91E+10 (93)</b> | 4.70E+09 (89) | 2.20E+09 (99) |
| WLA                               | 0.00E+00         | 0.00E+00             | 0.00E+00             | 0.00E+00      | 0.00E+00      |
| LA                                | 2.39E+11         | 1.50E+10             | 3.40E+09             | 5.05E+08      | 9.91E+06      |
| MOS                               | 2.65E+10         | 1.67E+09             | 3.79E+08             | 5.69E+07      | 1.90E+06      |
| Midpoint Flow (cfs)               | 46.2             | 2.9                  | 0.7                  | 0.10          | 0.003         |



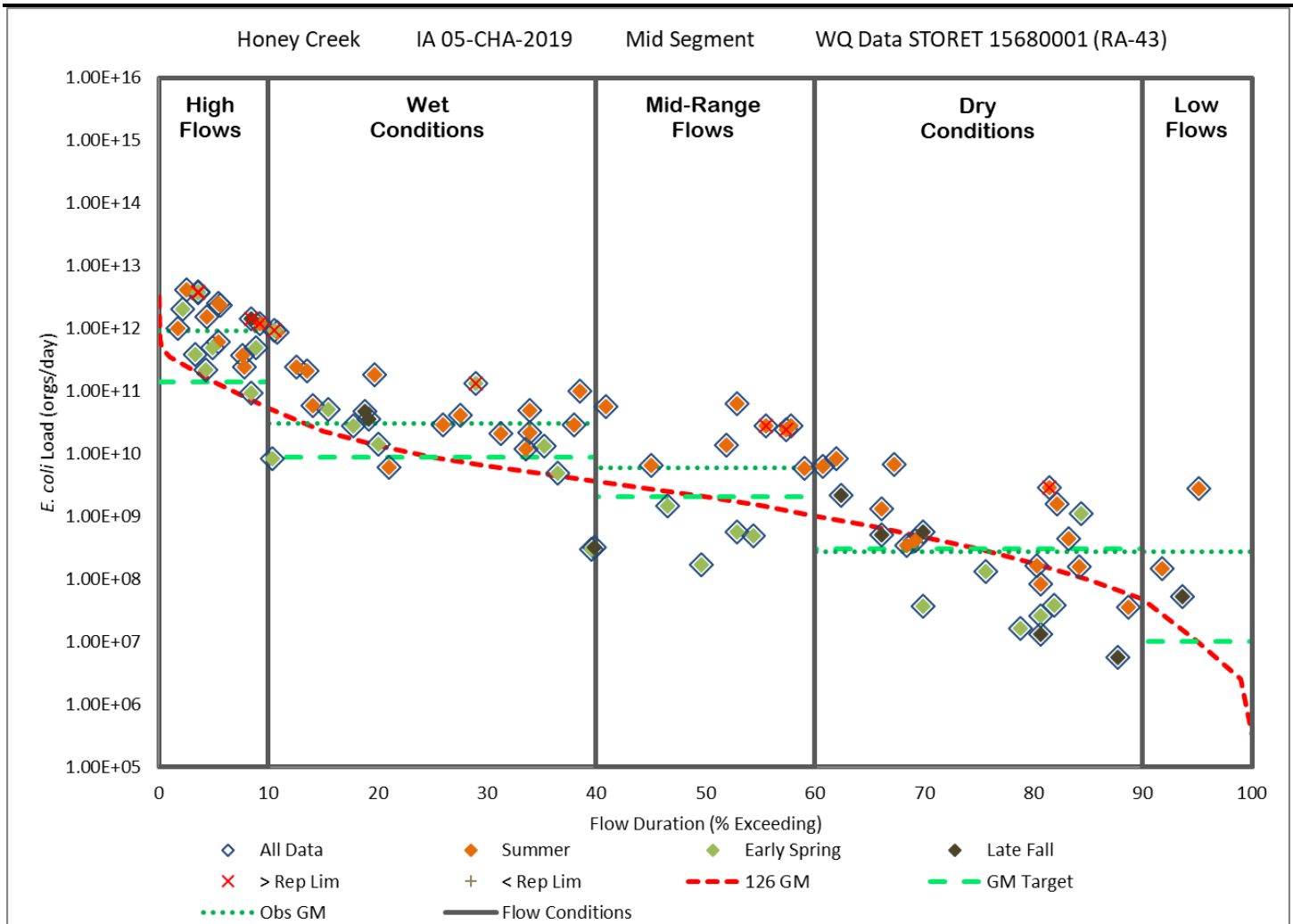


Figure 4.18. Load Duration Curve based on the GM for IA 05-CHA-2019.

Table 4.19. Existing Load Estimates, Departures, and TMDLs Summary based on the GM for IA 05-CHA-2019.

| Load Summary                      | Loads (orgs/day) |                                |                  |                  |                  |
|-----------------------------------|------------------|--------------------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|
|                                   | High             | Wet                            | Mid-Range        | Dry              | Low              |
| Geometric Mean                    | 9.15E+11         | 3.10E+10                       | 6.03E+09         | 2.77E+08         | 2.74E+08         |
| Capacity @ 126 orgs/100 ml (TMDL) | 1.42E+11         | 8.93E+09                       | 2.03E+09         | 3.05E+08         | 1.02E+07         |
| GM Departure<br>(% Reduction)     | 7.73E+11<br>(84) | <b>2.21E+10</b><br><b>(71)</b> | 4.00E+09<br>(66) | -2.82E+07<br>(0) | 2.64E+08<br>(96) |
| WLA                               | 0.00E+00         | 0.00E+00                       | 0.00E+00         | 0.00E+00         | 0.00E+00         |
| LA                                | 1.28E+11         | 8.04E+09                       | 1.83E+09         | 2.74E+08         | 9.15E+06         |
| MOS                               | 1.42E+10         | 8.93E+08                       | 2.03E+08         | 3.05E+07         | 1.02E+06         |
| Midpoint Flow (cfs)               | 46.2             | 2.9                            | 0.7              | 0.1              | 0.003            |

#### 4.4 TMDL Summary

The following equation represents the total maximum daily load (TMDL) and its components for the impaired segments of the Wolf Creek-Chariton River HUC 10:

$$TMDL = LC = \sum WLA + \sum LA + MOS$$

Where: TMDL = total maximum daily load  
 LC = loading capacity  
 $\sum WLA$  = sum of wasteload allocations (point sources)  
 $\sum LA$  = sum of load allocations (nonpoint sources)  
 MOS = margin of safety (to account for uncertainty)

Once the loading capacity, wasteload allocations, load allocations, and margin of safety have all been determined, the general equation above can be expressed for each segment and flow condition for *E. coli* as the allowable maximum daily load (Table 4.20) as required by EPA (see Appendix D).

**Table 4.20. TMDL Summary by Impaired Segment for the Wolf Creek-Chariton River HUC 10.**

|  | Flow Condition          | TMDL (orgs/day) | WLA (orgs/day) | LA (orgs/day) | MOS (orgs/day) |
|--|-------------------------|-----------------|----------------|---------------|----------------|
| <b>Chariton River (IA 05-CHA-1310)</b> |                         |                 |                |               |                |
| SSM                                    | High Flow               | 2.05E+12        | 1.33E+07       | 1.85E+12      | 2.05E+11       |
|  | Wet                     | 1.29E+11        | 1.33E+07       | 1.16E+11      | 1.29E+10       |
|  | Average                 | 2.93E+10        | 1.33E+07       | 2.64E+10      | 2.93E+09       |
|  | Dry                     | 4.40E+09        | 1.33E+07       | 3.94E+09      | 4.40E+08       |
|  | Low Flow                | 1.47E+08        | 1.33E+07       | 1.19E+08      | 1.47E+07       |
| GM                                     | High Flow               | 1.10E+12        | 1.33E+07       | 9.90E+11      | 1.10E+11       |
|  | Wet                     | 6.91E+10        | 1.33E+07       | 6.22E+10      | 6.91E+09       |
|  | Average                 | 1.57E+10        | 1.33E+07       | 1.41E+10      | 1.57E+09       |
|  | Dry                     | 2.36E+09        | 1.33E+07       | 2.11E+09      | 2.36E+08       |
|  | Low Flow                | 7.86E+07        | 1.33E+07       | 5.74E+07      | 7.86E+06       |
| <b>Chariton River (IA 05-CHA-1311)</b> |                         |                 |                |               |                |
| SSM                                    | High Flow               | 1.80E+12        | 1.21E+09       | 1.62E+12      | 1.80E+11       |
|  | Wet                     | 1.13E+11        | 1.21E+09       | 1.01E+11      | 1.13E+10       |
|  | Average                 | 2.58E+10        | 1.21E+09       | 2.25E+10      | 2.58E+09       |
|  | Dry                     | 3.86E+09        | 1.21E+09       | 2.82E+09      | 3.86E+08       |
|  | Low Flow <sup>(1)</sup> | 1.29E+08        | 1.16E+08       | 0.00E+00      | 1.29E+07       |
| GM                                     | High Flow               | 9.67E+11        | 6.53E+08       | 8.69E+11      | 9.67E+10       |
|  | Wet                     | 6.07E+10        | 6.53E+08       | 5.40E+10      | 6.07E+09       |
|  | Average                 | 1.38E+10        | 6.53E+08       | 1.18E+10      | 1.38E+09       |
|  | Dry                     | 2.07E+09        | 6.53E+08       | 1.21E+09      | 2.07E+08       |
|  | Low Flow <sup>(1)</sup> | 6.90E+07        | 6.21E+07       | 0.00E+00      | 6.90E+06       |

|  | Flow Condition          | TMDL (orgs/day) | WLA (orgs/day) | LA (orgs/day) | MOS (orgs/day) |
|--|-------------------------|-----------------|----------------|---------------|----------------|
| <b>Chariton River (IA 05-CHA-1312)</b> |                         |                 |                |               |                |
| SSM                                    | High Flow               | 1.24E+12        | 2.42E+09       | 1.12E+12      | 1.24E+11       |
|  | Wet                     | 7.80E+10        | 2.42E+09       | 6.78E+10      | 7.80E+09       |
|  | Average                 | 1.77E+10        | 2.42E+09       | 1.35E+10      | 1.77E+09       |
|  | Dry <sup>(2)</sup>      | 2.66E+09        | 2.40E+09       | 0.00E+00      | 2.66E+08       |
|  | Low Flow <sup>(2)</sup> | 8.87E+07        | 7.98E+07       | 0.00E+00      | 8.87E+06       |
| GM                                     | High Flow               | 6.66E+11        | 1.30E+09       | 5.98E+11      | 6.66E+10       |
|  | Wet                     | 4.18E+10        | 1.30E+09       | 3.63E+10      | 4.18E+09       |
|  | Average                 | 9.51E+09        | 1.30E+09       | 7.26E+09      | 9.51E+08       |
|  | Dry <sup>(2)</sup>      | 1.43E+09        | 1.28E+09       | 0.00E+00      | 1.43E+08       |
|  | Low Flow <sup>(2)</sup> | 4.76E+07        | 4.28E+07       | 0.00E+00      | 4.76E+06       |
| <b>Chariton Creek (IA 05-CHA-1313)</b> |                         |                 |                |               |                |
| SSM                                    | High Flow               | 7.09E+11        | 0.00E+00       | 6.38E+11      | 7.09E+10       |
|  | Wet                     | 4.45E+10        | 0.00E+00       | 4.01E+10      | 4.45E+09       |
|  | Average                 | 1.01E+10        | 0.00E+00       | 9.12E+09      | 1.01E+09       |
|  | Dry                     | 1.52E+09        | 0.00E+00       | 1.37E+09      | 1.52E+08       |
|  | Low Flow                | 5.07E+07        | 0.00E+00       | 4.56E+07      | 5.07E+06       |
| GM                                     | High Flow               | 3.80E+11        | 0.00E+00       | 3.42E+11      | 3.80E+10       |
|  | Wet                     | 2.39E+10        | 0.00E+00       | 2.15E+10      | 2.39E+09       |
|  | Average                 | 5.43E+09        | 0.00E+00       | 4.89E+09      | 5.43E+08       |
|  | Dry                     | 8.15E+08        | 0.00E+00       | 7.34E+08      | 8.15E+07       |
|  | Low Flow                | 2.72E+07        | 0.00E+00       | 2.45E+07      | 2.72E+06       |
| <b>Honey Creek (IA 05-CHA-1337)</b>    |                         |                 |                |               |                |
| GM                                     | High Flow               | 1.46E+12        | 1.48E+09       | 1.31E+12      | 1.46E+11       |
|  | Wet                     | 9.17E+10        | 1.48E+09       | 8.11E+10      | 9.17E+09       |
|  | Average                 | 2.09E+10        | 1.48E+09       | 1.73E+10      | 2.09E+09       |
|  | Dry                     | 3.13E+09        | 1.48E+09       | 1.34E+09      | 3.13E+08       |
|  | Low Flow <sup>(1)</sup> | 1.04E+08        | 9.39E+07       | 0.00E+00      | 1.04E+07       |
| <b>Wolf Creek (IA 05-CHA-1339)</b>     |                         |                 |                |               |                |
| SSM                                    | High Flow               | 1.86E+12        | 8.01E+06       | 1.68E+12      | 1.86E+11       |
|  | Wet                     | 1.17E+11        | 8.01E+06       | 1.05E+11      | 1.17E+10       |
|  | Average                 | 2.66E+10        | 8.01E+06       | 2.40E+10      | 2.66E+09       |
|  | Dry                     | 4.00E+09        | 8.01E+06       | 3.59E+09      | 4.00E+08       |
|  | Low Flow                | 1.33E+08        | 8.01E+06       | 1.12E+08      | 1.33E+07       |
| GM                                     | High Flow               | 1.00E+12        | 8.01E+06       | 9.00E+11      | 1.00E+11       |
|  | Wet                     | 6.28E+10        | 8.01E+06       | 5.65E+10      | 6.28E+09       |
|  | Average                 | 1.43E+10        | 8.01E+06       | 1.28E+10      | 1.43E+09       |
|  | Dry                     | 2.14E+09        | 8.01E+06       | 1.92E+09      | 2.14E+08       |
|  | Low Flow                | 7.14E+07        | 8.01E+06       | 5.63E+07      | 7.14E+06       |

|  | Flow Condition | TMDL (orgs/day) | WLA (orgs/day) | LA (orgs/day) | MOS (orgs/day) |
|--|----------------|-----------------|----------------|---------------|----------------|
| <b>Fivemile Creek (IA 05-CHA-1341)</b> |                |                 |                |               |                |
| SSM                                    | High Flow      | 4.78E+11        | 0.00E+00       | 4.30E+11      | 4.78E+10       |
|  | Wet            | 3.00E+10        | 0.00E+00       | 2.70E+10      | 3.00E+09       |
|  | Average        | 6.82E+09        | 0.00E+00       | 6.14E+09      | 6.82E+08       |
|  | Dry            | 1.02E+09        | 0.00E+00       | 9.21E+08      | 1.02E+08       |
|  | Low Flow       | 3.41E+07        | 0.00E+00       | 3.07E+07      | 3.41E+06       |
| GM                                     | High Flow      | 2.56E+11        | 0.00E+00       | 2.30E+11      | 2.56E+10       |
|  | Wet            | 1.61E+10        | 0.00E+00       | 1.45E+10      | 1.61E+09       |
|  | Average        | 3.66E+09        | 0.00E+00       | 3.29E+09      | 3.66E+08       |
|  | Dry            | 5.49E+08        | 0.00E+00       | 4.94E+08      | 5.49E+07       |
|  | Low Flow       | 1.83E+07        | 0.00E+00       | 1.65E+07      | 1.83E+06       |
| <b>Honey Creek (IA 05-CHA-2019)</b>    |                |                 |                |               |                |
| SSM                                    | High Flow      | 2.65E+11        | 0.00E+00       | 2.39E+11      | 2.65E+10       |
|  | Wet            | 1.67E+10        | 0.00E+00       | 1.50E+10      | 1.67E+09       |
|  | Average        | 3.79E+09        | 0.00E+00       | 3.41E+09      | 3.79E+08       |
|  | Dry            | 5.69E+08        | 0.00E+00       | 5.12E+08      | 5.69E+07       |
|  | Low Flow       | 1.90E+07        | 0.00E+00       | 1.71E+07      | 1.90E+06       |
| GM                                     | High Flow      | 1.42E+11        | 0.00E+00       | 1.28E+11      | 1.42E+10       |
|  | Wet            | 8.93E+09        | 0.00E+00       | 8.04E+09      | 8.93E+08       |
|  | Average        | 2.03E+09        | 0.00E+00       | 1.83E+09      | 2.03E+08       |
|  | Dry            | 3.05E+08        | 0.00E+00       | 2.74E+08      | 3.05E+07       |
|  | Low Flow       | 1.02E+07        | 0.00E+00       | 9.15E+06      | 1.02E+06       |

- (1) The WLA from the NPDES permitted facilities exceeds the loading capacity of the stream segment during low flow conditions. The WLA is assigned the TMDL target value less 10% of the TMDL target value.
- (2) The WLA from the NPDES permitted facilities exceeds the loading capacity of the stream segment during dry and low flow conditions. The WLA is assigned the TMDL target value less 10% of the TMDL target value.

## 5. TMDLs for South Fork Chariton River for Indicator Bacteria (*E. coli*)

Total Maximum Daily Loads (TMDLs) are required for the six impaired waterbody segments in the South Fork Chariton River HUC 10 (1028020101) by the Federal Clean Water Act. This section of the Water Quality Improvement Plan (WQIP) describes the pollutant, in this case *Escherichia coli* (*E. coli*), leading to the impairments and the maximum amount of *E. coli* the stream segments can assimilate and still support their designated uses.

### 5.1 Problem Identification

The primary contact recreation (Class A1) uses in Ninemile Creek, Jordan Creek, Jackson Creek, Walker Branch, and two segments of the South Fork Chariton River are not supported due to the presence of high levels of indicator bacteria (*E. coli*) (Figure 5.1). High *E. coli* levels in a waterbody can indicate the presence of potentially harmful bacteria and viruses (also called pathogens). Humans can become ill if they come into contact with and/or ingest water that contains pathogens. Under Iowa Administrative Code, streams are impaired for *E. coli* if they exceed a single sample maximum of 235 colony forming units (cfu) per 100 ml of water and the geometric mean of all samples exceeds 126 cfu/100 ml of water. This standard is only applicable during the recreation season, defined as March 15 through November 15.

Both point and nonpoint sources of pollution can be responsible for high *E. coli* levels. Permitted sources include municipal wastewater treatment facilities (WWTF) and discharging onsite wastewater treatment and disposal systems. Onsite wastewater treatment systems are often called septic systems, even though not all systems include a septic tank. Nonpoint sources result from livestock, pets, wildlife, and humans that live, work, and play in and around the stream. Specific examples of potential nonpoint sources of bacteria include cattle with direct access to streams, manure applied to row crops, non-permitted onsite wastewater systems, and natural sources such as wildlife.

#### *Stream Segment Designations and Descriptions*

Six stream segments within the South Fork Chariton River HUC 10 do not meet water quality standards (WQS) and are not fully supporting class A1 (primary contact) designated uses due to presence of high levels of indicator bacteria called *Escherichia coli* (*E. coli*). Prior to 2008, none of the listed segments were designated for primary contact recreation (Class A1). In February 2008, changes to Iowa's surface water classifications were approved by the EPA and all segments were now presumed to be Class A1, primary contact recreation. Table 5.1 is a summary of the impaired stream segments, segment identification, location description, segment length, and designated uses.

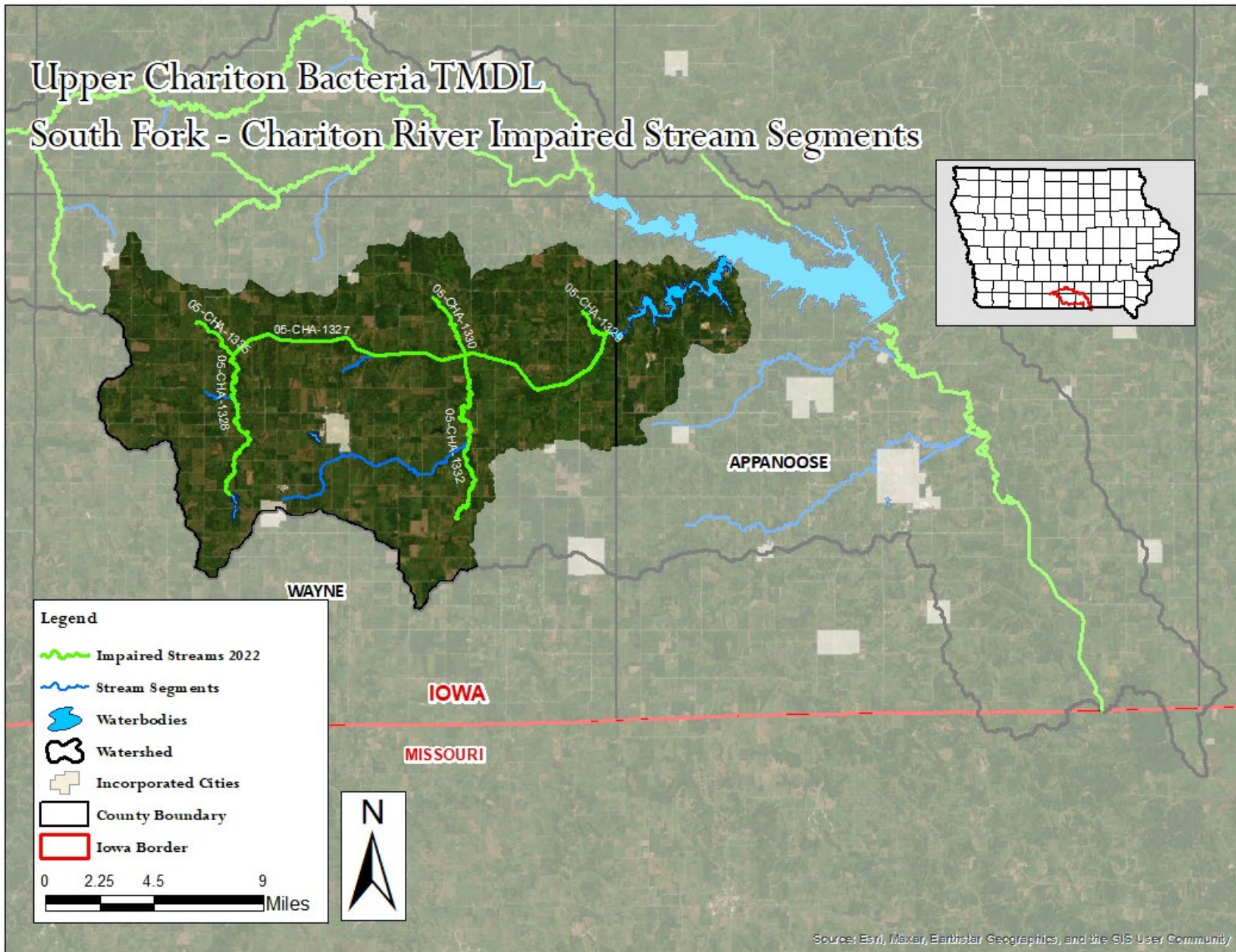


Figure 5.1. Map of the South Fork Chariton River HUC 10 with Impaired Stream Segments.

**Table 5.1. Impaired Stream Segments and Designated Uses.**

| Stream name               | Segment ID     | Location Description  | Stream length (mi) | Designated Uses | Impairment Category <sup>(1)</sup> |
|---------------------------|----------------|---|--------------------|-----------------|------------------------------------|
| South Fork Chariton River | IA 05-CHA-1327 | mouth (at Rathbun Lake) to confluence with Ninemile Cr. in S4, T69N, R22W, Wayne Co.                                    | 18.29              | A1<br>B (WW2)   | 5p                                 |
| South Fork Chariton River | IA 05-CHA-1328 | from confluence with Ninemile Cr. (S4, T69N, R22W, Wayne Co.) to outfall of Bob White Lake in S4, T68N, R22W, Wayne Co. | 10.88              | A1<br>B (WW2)   | 5p                                 |
| Walker Branch             | IA 05-CHA-1329 | mouth (S36, T70N, R20W, Wayne Co.) to confluence with S. Fork Walker Branch in SE 1/4, S26, T70N, R20W, Wayne Co.       | 2.1                | A1<br>B (WW2)   | 5p                                 |
| Jordan Creek              | IA 05-CHA-1330 | mouth (S1, T70N, R21W, Wayne Co.) to confluence with unnamed tributary in E 1/2, NW 1/4, S26, T70N, R21W, Wayne Co.     | 4.41               | A1<br>B (WW2)   | 5p                                 |
| Jackson Creek             | IA 05-CHA-1332 | mouth (S1, T70N, R21W, Wayne Co.) to confluence with unnamed tributary in S12, T68N, R21W, Wayne Co.                    | 12.01              | A1<br>B (WW2)   | 5p                                 |
| Ninemile Creek            | IA 05-CHA-1335 | mouth (S4, T69N, R22W, Wayne Co.) to confluence with unnamed tributary in S31, T70N, R22W, Wayne Co.                    | 2.62               | A1<br>B (WW2)   | 5p                                 |

(1) Impairment category: 5p (impairment occurs on a waterbody with a presumptive A1 or B(WW1) use.)

**Problem Statement**

Water quality assessments indicate that primary contact recreation is “not supported” in these segments due to high levels of indicator bacteria (*E. coli*) that routinely violate the state’s water quality standards (Table 5.2). The significance of the impairments noted in the assessments is that desirable recreational activities, such as swimming and wading, are not adequately provided by existing water quality in the impaired segments. As a result of these findings, the Federal Clean Water Act requires that TDMLs be developed for all the impaired segments for *E. coli*.

**Table 5.2. Impairment Criteria for each Impaired Segment.**

| Stream name               | Segment ID     | Geometric mean (impairment at 126 cfu/100 ml) |       |      | Single Sample Max. (235 cfu/100 ml)<br>% samples exceeding |
|---------------------------|----------------|---|-------|------|--|
|                           |                | 2010  | 2011  | 2012 |  |
| South Fork Chariton River | IA 05-CHA-1327 | 794   | 1,368 | 576  | 68%  |
| South Fork Chariton River | IA 05-CHA-1328 | 679   | 489   | 208  | 67%  |
| Walker Branch             | IA 05-CHA-1329 | 679   | 26    | 45   | 36%  |
| Jordan Creek              | IA 05-CHA-1330 | 1,317   | 251   | 656  | 88%  |
| Jackson Creek             | IA 05-CHA-1332 | 836   | 248   | 934  | 72%  |
| Ninemile Creek            | IA 05-CHA-1335 | 569   | 181   | 196  | 62%  |

**Data Sources**

Sources of data used in the development of this TMDL include those used in the 2014 305(b) report, several sources of additional flow and water quality data, and non-water quality related data used for model development. Monitoring sites are listed in Table 5.3 and shown in Figure 5.2. Specific data includes:

- Stream data collected by DNR Watershed Improvement Section staff for the purpose of TMDL development
- Stream data collected by U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE), Kansas City District, as part of its reservoir monitoring program
- Streamflow data collected by the U.S. Geological Survey (USGS) at multiple surface water gaging stations (USGS, 2015)
- Precipitation and temperature data from the National Weather Service Cooperative Observer Program (NWS COOP) (IEM, 2015)
- Precipitation and temperature data from the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) National Climatic Data Center (NCDC) (NOAA, 2015)
- 10-m Digital Elevation Model (DEM) available from DNR GIS library
- SSURGO soils data maintained by United States Department of Agriculture -Natural Resource Conservation Service (USDA-NRCS)
- U.S. Department of Agriculture National Agricultural Statistics Service Cropland Data Layer (CDL) reflecting 2006 conditions (USDA-NASS, 2013)
- Six-year crop rotation data for 2008-2013 developed by the USDA National Laboratory for Agriculture and the Environment (USDA-NLAE) (Tomer et al., 2013)
- Aerial images (various years) collected and maintained by DNR

**Table 5.3. WQ Monitoring Sites of South Fork Chariton River HUC 10.**

| Site Name                           | ID              | Longitude | Latitude |
|-------------------------------------|-----------------|-----------|----------|
| S. Fork Chariton River (RA-12)      | STORET 15930001 | -93.1928  | 40.8007  |
| S. Fork Chariton River (RA-35)      | STORET 15930002 | -93.4005  | 40.7856  |
| Ninemile Creek at Quail Run (RA-36) | STORET 15930003 | -93.4089  | 40.8116  |
| Jordan Creek at CR J32 (RA-37)      | STORET 15930004 | -93.2218  | 40.8119  |
| Walker Branch at Raccoon (RA-38)    | STORET 15930005 | -93.1207  | 40.8266  |
| Jackson Creek at Liberty (RA-39)    | STORET 15930006 | -93.2132  | 40.7544  |



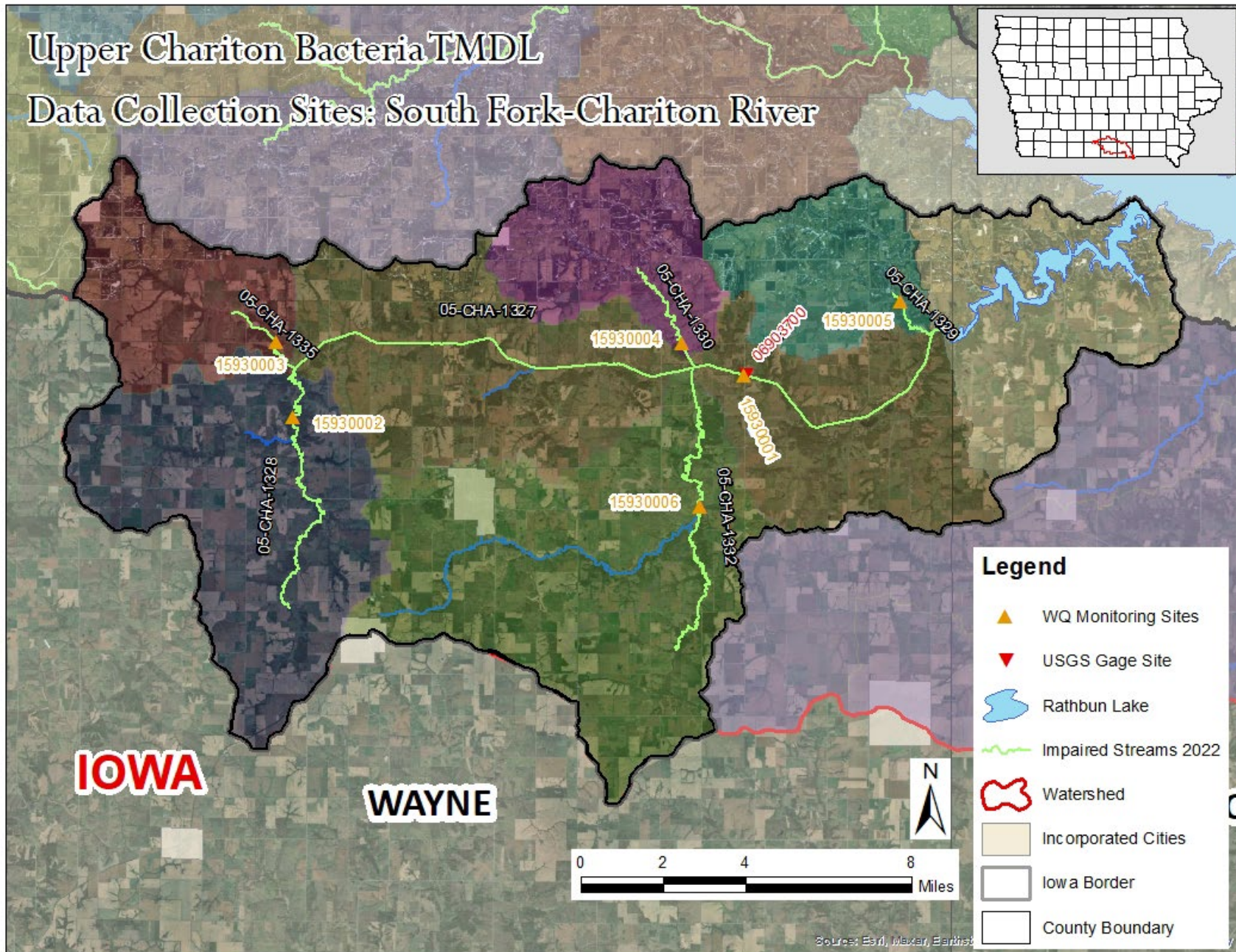


Figure 5.2. Data Sources South Fork-Chariton River HUC-10.

### *Interpreting the Data*

Analysis of the data shows consistently high *E. coli* levels that significantly exceed both criteria set for in Iowa's water quality standards for primary contact recreation. Significant reductions in *E. coli* loading will be required to comply with the standards and fully support the designated recreational use in the impaired segments.

## **5.2 Pollution Source Assessment**

### *Identification of Pollutant Sources*

There are a variety of *E. coli* sources in the South Fork Chariton River watershed. These sources can be divided into two categories, point and non-point sources. Point sources include municipal separate storm sewer systems (MS4s), municipal and industrial wastewater treatment facilities (WWTFs), sanitary sewer overflows (SSOs), onsite wastewater systems with permitted discharges, and animal feeding operations (AFOs) regulated as concentrated animal feeding operations (CAFOs). Nonpoint sources include wildlife, manure application to row crops, grazing livestock and small feeding operations, direct deposition by livestock in streams, and non-permitted (i.e., non-discharging) onsite wastewater systems.

Load duration curves (LDCs) were used in the development of *E. coli* TMDLs for impaired stream segments in the South Fork Chariton River Watershed (Section 5.2). The use of LDCs is helpful for understanding the importance that hydrology plays on pollutant loading. Information illustrated in LDCs provides a basic understanding of the importance of potential pollutant sources, although the approach does not offer explicit calculation of source-specific pollutant loads. However, when analyzed in conjunction with a detailed inventory of sources, LDCs can provide a quantitative means of comparing the relative importance of specific pollutant sources.

### *Point Sources*

There are a total of two active NPDES permits for waste water treatment facilities (WWTF) in this watershed. In addition, there are three unsewered communities (Confidence, Millerton, Cambria) and two concentrated animal feeding operations (CAFO). Figure 5.3 shows the locations of NPDES permitted wastewater facilities and the unsewered communities. A full inventory of dischargers and their respective WLAs is provided in Appendix C.

### *Nonpoint Sources*

The nonpoint sources of pathogen indicators include contributors that do not have localized points of release into a stream. In the watershed these sources are:

- Grazing animals
- Direct deposition of manure in streams
- Land application and subsequent runoff of manure
- Developed / urban area runoff
- Wildlife
- Faulty septic tank systems

### *Allowance for Increases in Pollutant Loads*

There are three unsewered communities in the South Fork Chariton River HUC 10. A reserve wasteload allocation was calculated for each community and applied to the WLA for the associated segment. Appendix C.2 lists all the unsewered communities in the Upper Chariton watershed. A new source or a new discharger must not discharge to the waters protected by this TMDL unless its construction or operation will not cause or contribute to the impairment addressed by this TMDL.

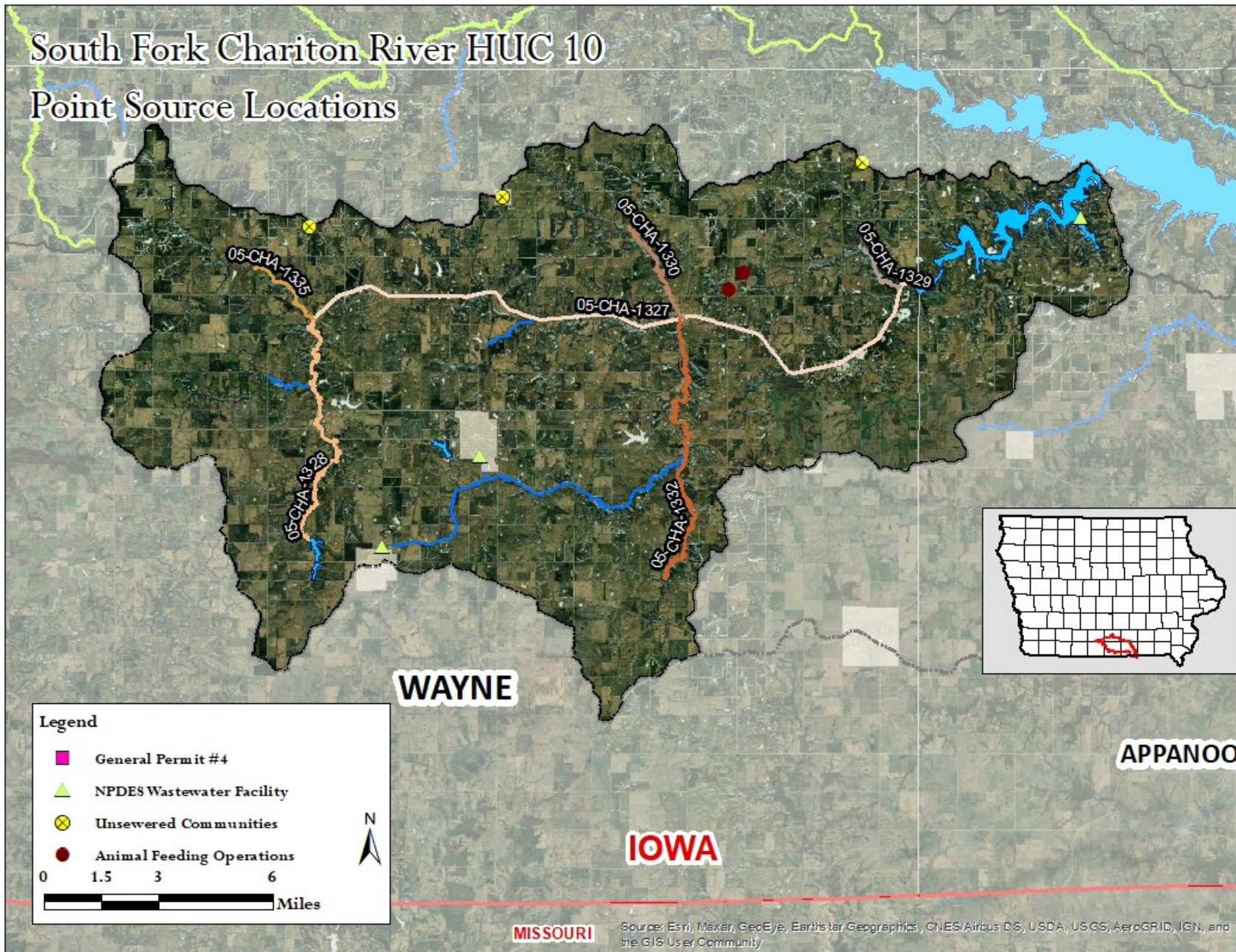


Figure 5.3. Map of the South Fork Chariton River Point Sources

### 5.3 Pollutant Allocation

#### Wasteload Allocation

As stated previously, the wasteload allocation was calculated for each WWTP in the watershed as well as a reserve WLA for the three unsewered communities.

**Table 5.4. Wasteload Allocations for South Fork Chariton River HUC-10.**

| Facility Type       | Number of Facilities <sup>(1)</sup> | Flow (MGD) <sup>(1)</sup> | GM Conc (orgs/100 ml) | GM Load (orgs/day) | SSM Conc (orgs/100 ml) | SSM Load (orgs/day) |
|---------------------|-------------------------------------|---------------------------|-----------------------|--------------------|------------------------|---------------------|
| WWTF <sup>(2)</sup> | 2                                   | 1.14                      | 126                   | 5.42E+09           | 235                    | 1.01E+10            |
| Unsewered           | 3                                   | 0.0108                    | 126                   | 5.15E+07           | 235                    | 9.61E+07            |
| CAFO                | 2                                   | 0.00                      | 126                   | 0.00E+00           | 235                    | 0.00E+00            |
| <b>Totals</b>       | <b>7</b>                            | <b>1.15</b>               | <b>--</b>             | <b>5.47E+09</b>    | <b>--</b>              | <b>1.02E+10</b>     |

(1) Flows used to calculate the wasteload allocation. See Appendix C.

(2) SSM WLA's were calculated for assessment purposes to determine an appropriate LA (nonpoint source). As per IAC 567 62.8(2) daily sample maximum criteria for *E. coli* shall not be used as an end-of-pipe limitation.

#### Load Allocation

Nonpoint sources result from livestock, pets, wildlife, and humans that live, work, and play in and around the stream. Specific examples of potential nonpoint sources of bacteria include animals directly depositing into streams, manure applied to row crops, manure runoff from grazed land, non-permitted onsite wastewater systems, and natural sources such as wildlife.

#### Margin of Safety

An explicit margin of safety (MOS) of 10 percent is applied to the calculation of loading capacities in this TMDL. The loading capacity for each segment is set equal to the appropriate water quality criteria (less 10 percent) with the goal of achieving the criteria at the sampling location. As a result, TMDLs do not consider dilution to meet WQS nor do they consider bacteria die-off and settling, which occur. Consequently, bacteria TMDLs are conservative.

#### Departure from Load Capacity and Critical Conditions

The LDCs, observed loads, and observed GM loads for each flow condition are plotted in Figure 5.4 through Figure 5.15. This methodology enables calculation of a TMDL target at the midpoint of each flow condition for each impaired segment, as provided in Table 5.5 through Table 5.16. Figures and Tables are provided for both the SSM and GM criteria.

The critical condition for each TMDL is highlighted in each table. The critical condition is the flow requiring the largest percent reduction. However, the high flow or low flow conditions are not considered because these flow conditions are not representative of typical conditions (EPA, 2006).

#### Load Duration Curve

Figure 5.4 through Figure 5.15 show load durations for the impaired stream segments in this watershed. Table 5.5 through Table 5.16 are the existing load estimates and the TMDL summary for each impaired segment.

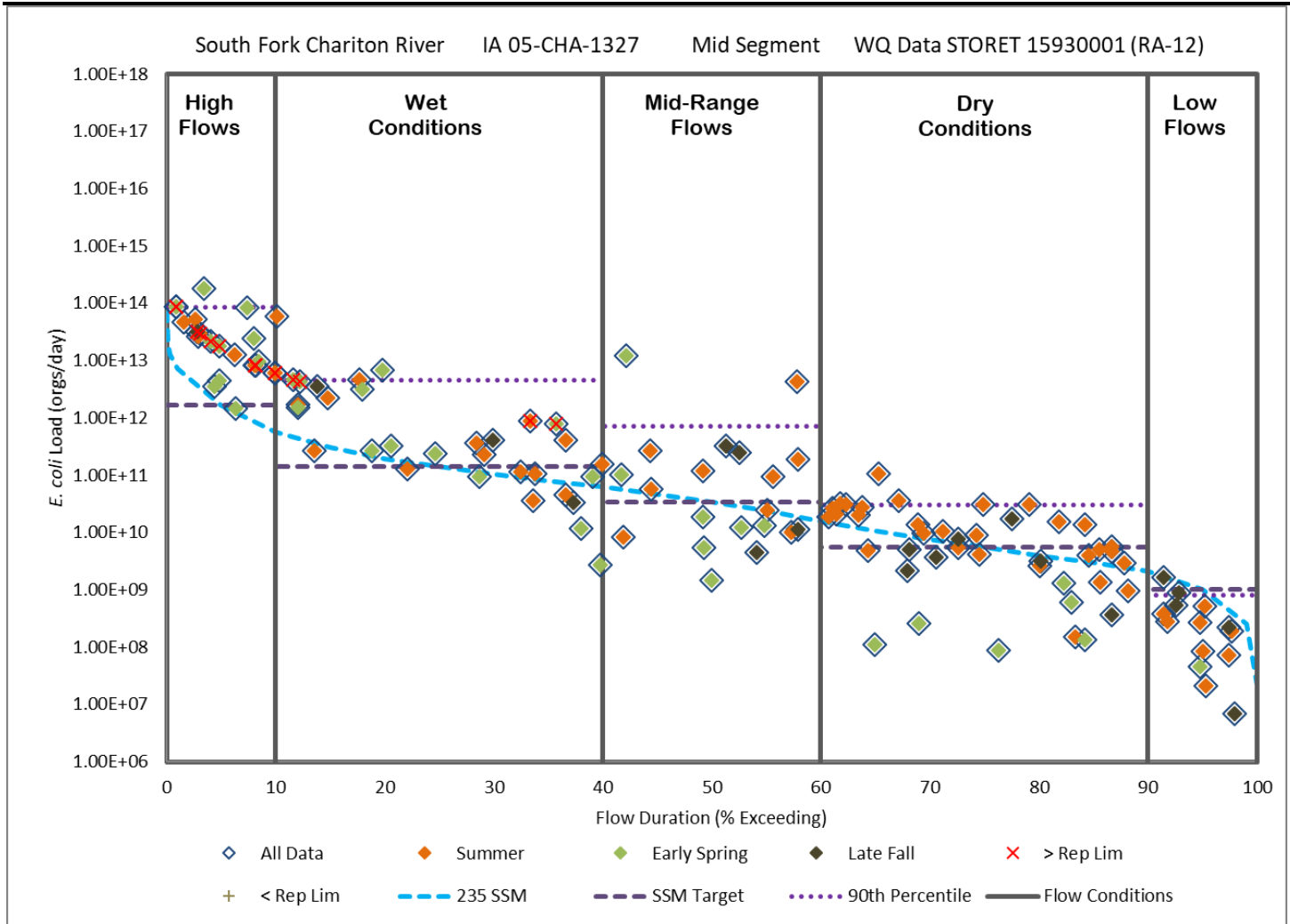


Figure 5.4. Load Duration Curve based on the SSM for IA 05-CHA-1327.

Table 5.5. Existing Load Estimates, Departures, and TMDLs Summary based on the SSM for IA 05-CHA-1327.

| Load Summary                      | Loads (orgs/day) |               |               |               |               |
|-----------------------------------|------------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|
|                                   | High             | Wet           | Mid-Range     | Dry           | Low           |
| 90th Percentile                   | 8.58E+13         | 5.62E+12      | 3.12E+11      | 3.07E+10      | 7.90E+08      |
| Capacity @ 235 orgs/100 ml (TMDL) | 1.64E+12         | 1.39E+11      | 3.39E+10      | 5.47E+09      | 1.02E+09      |
| SSM Departure (% Reduction)       | 8.42E+13 (98)    | 4.45E+12 (97) | 6.79E+11 (95) | 2.53E+10 (82) | -2.33E+08 (0) |
| WLA                               | 0.00E+00         | 0.00E+00      | 0.00E+00      | 0.00E+00      | 0.00E+00      |
| LA                                | 1.48E+12         | 1.25E+11      | 3.05E+10      | 4.93E+09      | 9.21E+08      |
| MOS                               | 1.64E+11         | 1.39E+10      | 3.39E+09      | 5.47E+08      | 1.02E+08      |
| Midpoint Flow (cfs)               | 285.6            | 24.2          | 5.9           | 0.95          | 0.18          |

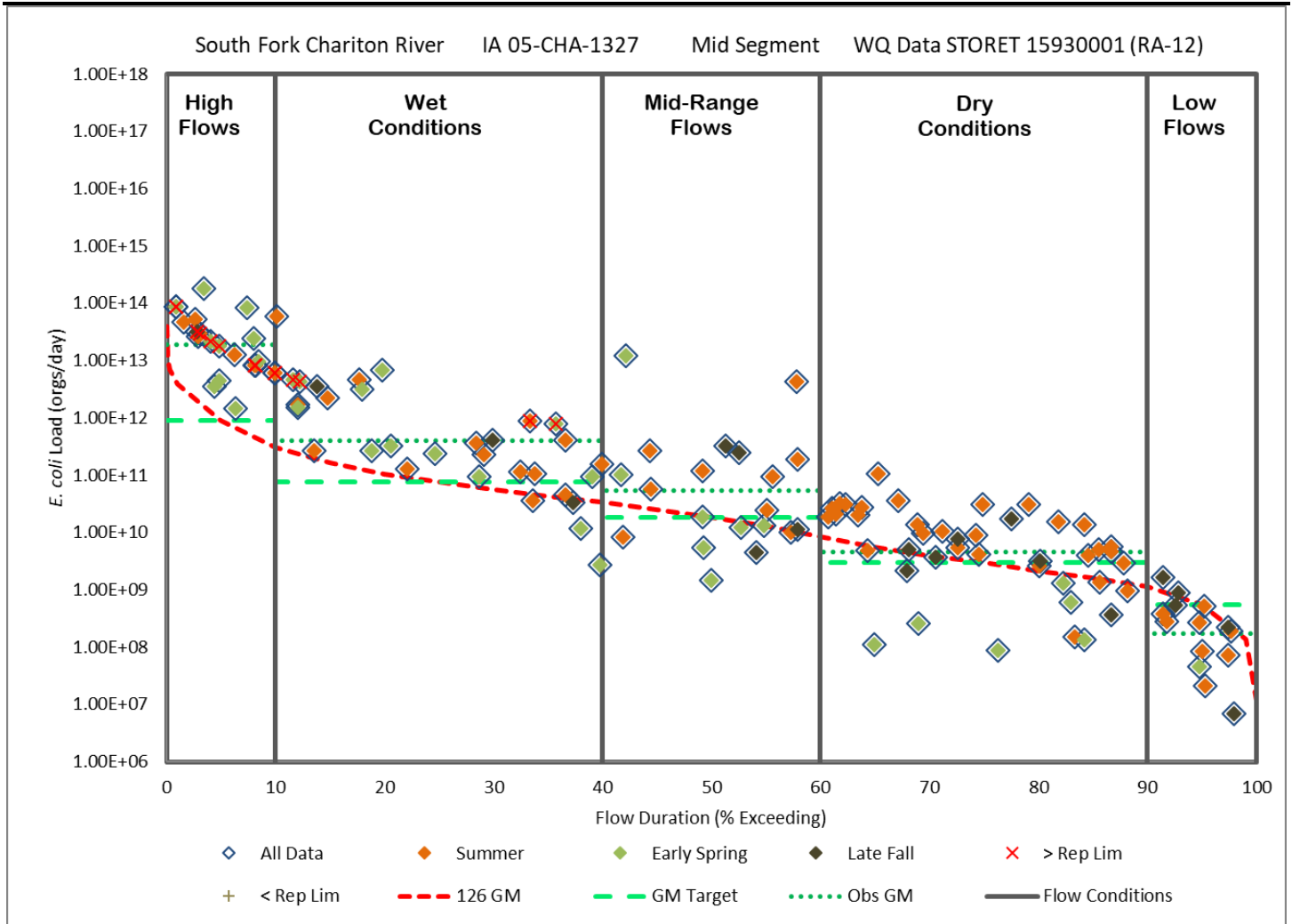


Figure 5.5. Load Duration Curve based on the GM for IA 05-CHA-1327.

Table 5.6. Existing Load Estimates, Departures, and TMDLs Summary based on the GM for IA 05-CHA-1327.

| Load Summary                      | Loads (orgs/day) |                          |                  |                  |                  |
|-----------------------------------|------------------|--------------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|
|                                   | High             | Wet                      | Mid-Range        | Dry              | Low              |
| Geometric Mean                    | 1.86E+13         | 3.99E+11                 | 5.31E+10         | 4.59E+09         | 1.72E+08         |
| Capacity @ 126 orgs/100 ml (TMDL) | 8.80E+11         | 7.46E+10                 | 1.82E+10         | 2.94E+09         | 5.49E+08         |
| GM Departure<br>(% Reduction)     | 1.77E+13<br>(95) | <b>3.25E+11<br/>(81)</b> | 3.49E+10<br>(66) | 1.65E+09<br>(36) | -3.77E+08<br>(0) |
| WLA                               | 0.00E+00         | 0.00E+00                 | 0.00E+00         | 0.00E+00         | 0.00E+00         |
| LA                                | 7.92E+11         | 6.72E+10                 | 1.64E+10         | 2.64E+09         | 4.94E+08         |
| MOS                               | 8.80E+10         | 7.46E+09                 | 1.82E+09         | 2.94E+08         | 5.49E+07         |
| Midpoint Flow (cfs)               | 285.6            | 24.2                     | 5.9              | 1.0              | 0.18             |

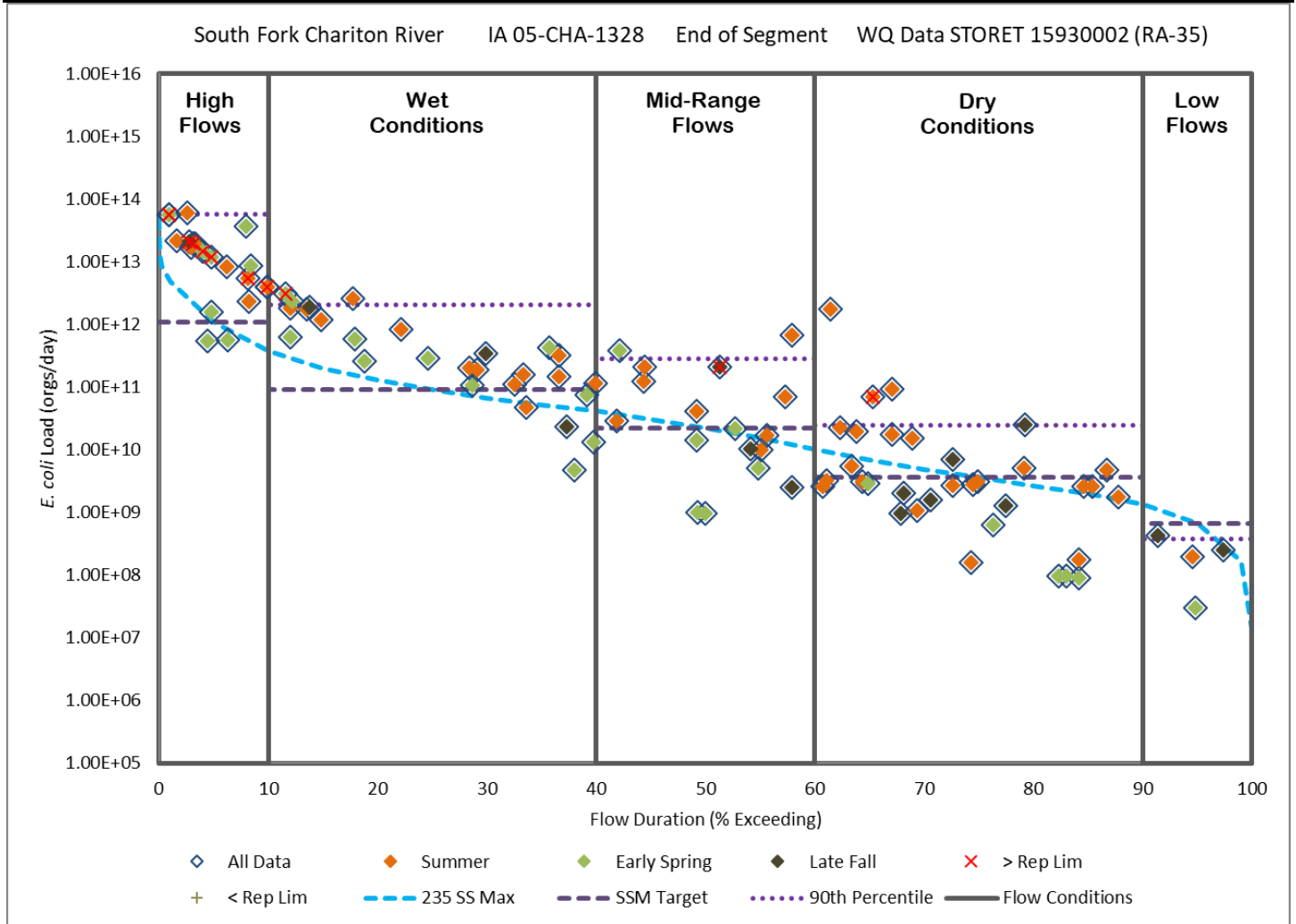


Figure 5.6. Load Duration Curve based on the SSM for IA 05-CHA-1328.

Table 5.7. Existing Load Estimates, Departures, and TMDLs Summary based on the SSM for IA 05-CHA-1328.

| Load Summary                      | Loads (orgs/day) |               |               |               |               |
|-----------------------------------|------------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|
|                                   | High             | Wet           | Mid-Range     | Dry           | Low           |
| 90th Percentile                   | 5.59E+13         | 2.05E+12      | 2.80E+11      | 2.42E+10      | 3.74E+08      |
| Capacity @ 235 orgs/100 ml (TMDL) | 1.07E+12         | 9.07E+10      | 2.21E+10      | 3.57E+09      | 6.67E+08      |
| SSM Departure (% Reduction)       | 5.49E+13 (98)    | 1.96E+12 (96) | 2.58E+11 (92) | 2.06E+10 (85) | -2.93E+08 (0) |
| WLA                               | 0.00E+00         | 0.00E+00      | 0.00E+00      | 0.00E+00      | 0.00E+00      |
| LA                                | 9.63E+11         | 8.17E+10      | 1.99E+10      | 3.21E+09      | 6.00E+08      |
| MOS                               | 1.07E+11         | 9.07E+09      | 2.21E+09      | 3.57E+08      | 6.67E+07      |
| Midpoint Flow (cfs)               | 186.1            | 15.8          | 3.8           | 0.62          | 0.116         |

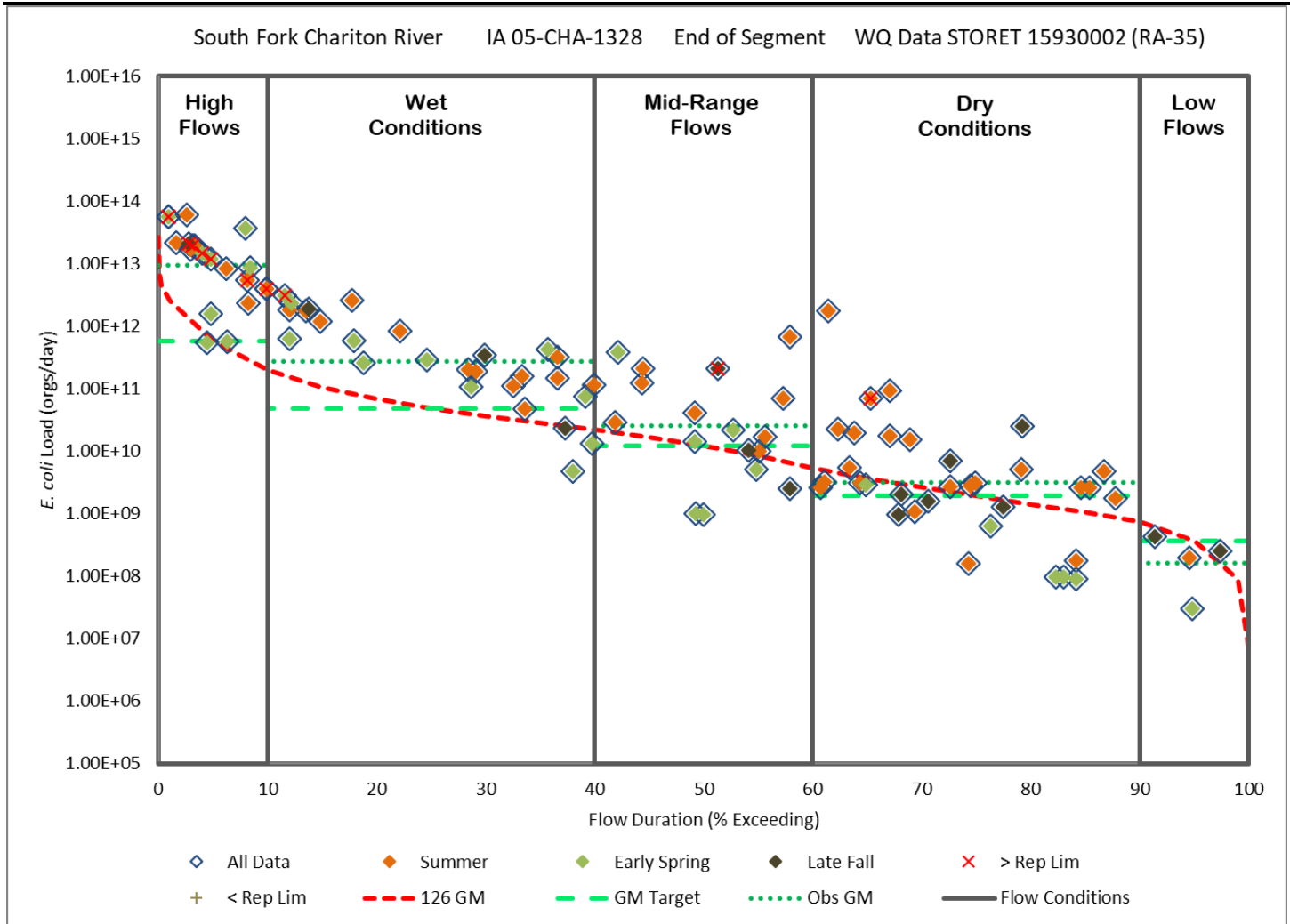


Figure 5.7. Load Duration Curve based on the GM for IA 05-CHA-1328.

Table 5.8. Existing Load Estimates, Departures, and TMDLs Summary based on the GM for IA 05-CHA-1328.

| Load Summary                      | Loads (orgs/day) |                                |                  |                  |                  |
|-----------------------------------|------------------|--------------------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|
|                                   | High             | Wet                            | Mid-Range        | Dry              | Low              |
| Geometric Mean                    | 9.26E+12         | 2.74E+11                       | 2.52E+10         | 3.17E+09         | 1.58E+08         |
| Capacity @ 126 orgs/100 ml (TMDL) | 5.74E+11         | 4.86E+10                       | 1.18E+10         | 1.91E+09         | 3.58E+08         |
| GM Departure<br>(% Reduction)     | 8.68E+12<br>(94) | <b>2.26E+11</b><br><b>(82)</b> | 1.34E+10<br>(53) | 1.25E+09<br>(40) | -2.00E+08<br>(0) |
| WLA                               | 0.00E+00         | 0.00E+00                       | 0.00E+00         | 0.00E+00         | 0.00E+00         |
| LA                                | 5.16E+11         | 4.38E+10                       | 1.07E+10         | 1.72E+09         | 3.22E+08         |
| MOS                               | 5.74E+10         | 4.86E+09                       | 1.18E+09         | 1.91E+08         | 3.58E+07         |
| Midpoint Flow (cfs)               | 186.1            | 15.8                           | 3.8              | 0.6              | 0.12             |



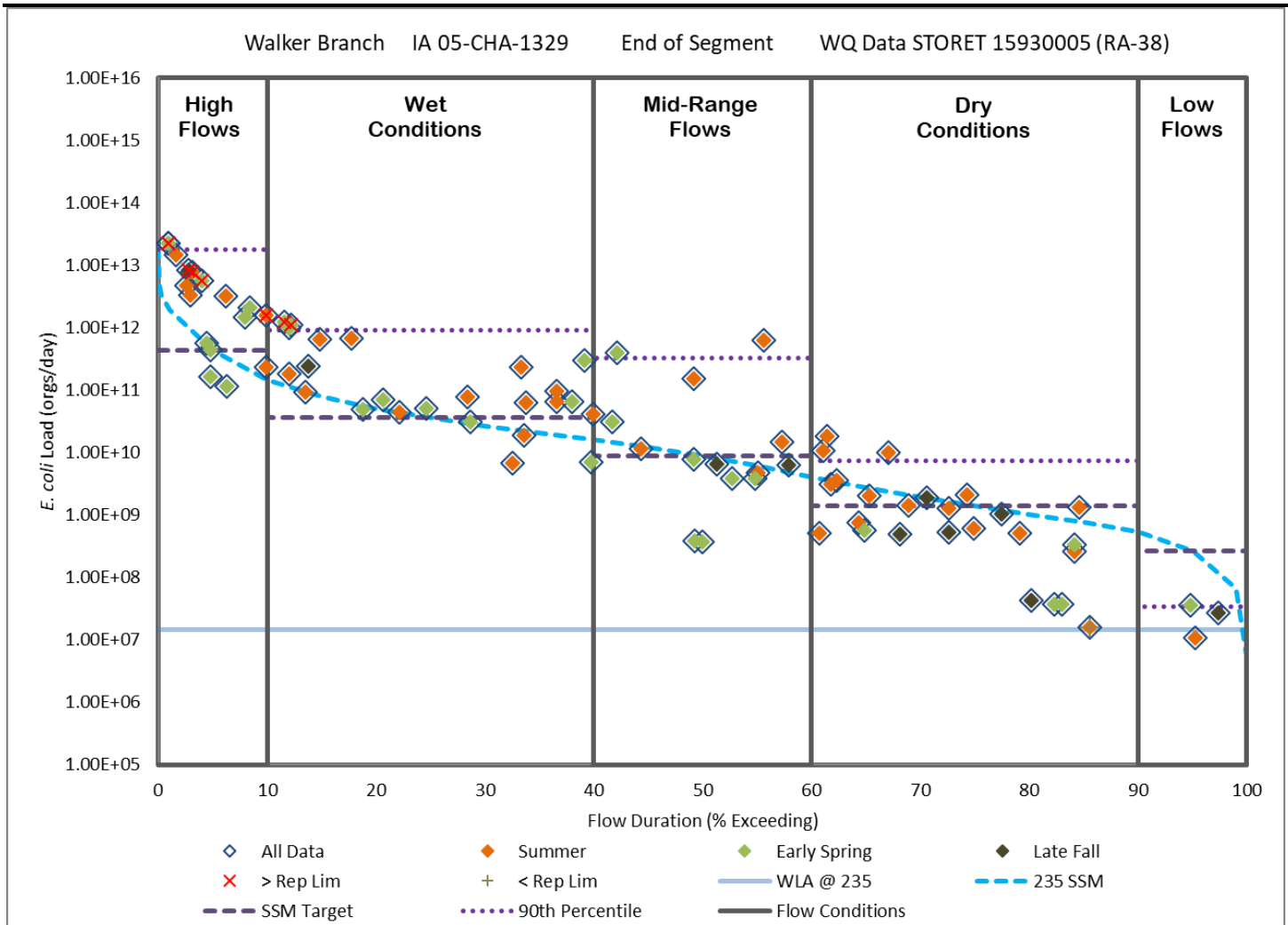


Figure 5.8. Load Duration Curve based on the SSM for IA 05-CHA-1329.

Table 5.9. Existing Load Estimates, Departures, and TMDLs Summary based on the SSM for IA 05-CHA-1329.

| Load Summary                         | Loads (orgs/day) |                  |                          |                  |                  |
|--------------------------------------|------------------|------------------|--------------------------|------------------|------------------|
|                                      | High             | Wet              | Mid-Range                | Dry              | Low              |
| 90th Percentile                      | 1.75E+13         | 8.88E+11         | 3.18E+11                 | 7.42E+09         | 3.42E+07         |
| Capacity @ 235<br>orgs/100 ml (TMDL) | 4.22E+11         | 3.58E+10         | 8.71E+09                 | 1.41E+09         | 2.63E+08         |
| SSM Departure<br>(% Reduction)       | 1.71E+13<br>(98) | 8.53E+11<br>(96) | <b>3.09E+11<br/>(97)</b> | 6.01E+09<br>(81) | -2.29E+08<br>(0) |
| WLA                                  | 1.42E+07         | 1.42E+07         | 1.42E+07                 | 1.42E+07         | 1.42E+07         |
| LA                                   | 3.80E+11         | 3.22E+10         | 7.82E+09                 | 1.25E+09         | 2.22E+08         |
| MOS                                  | 4.22E+10         | 3.58E+09         | 8.71E+08                 | 1.41E+08         | 2.63E+07         |
| Midpoint Flow (cfs)                  | 73.3             | 6.2              | 1.5                      | 0.24             | 0.046            |

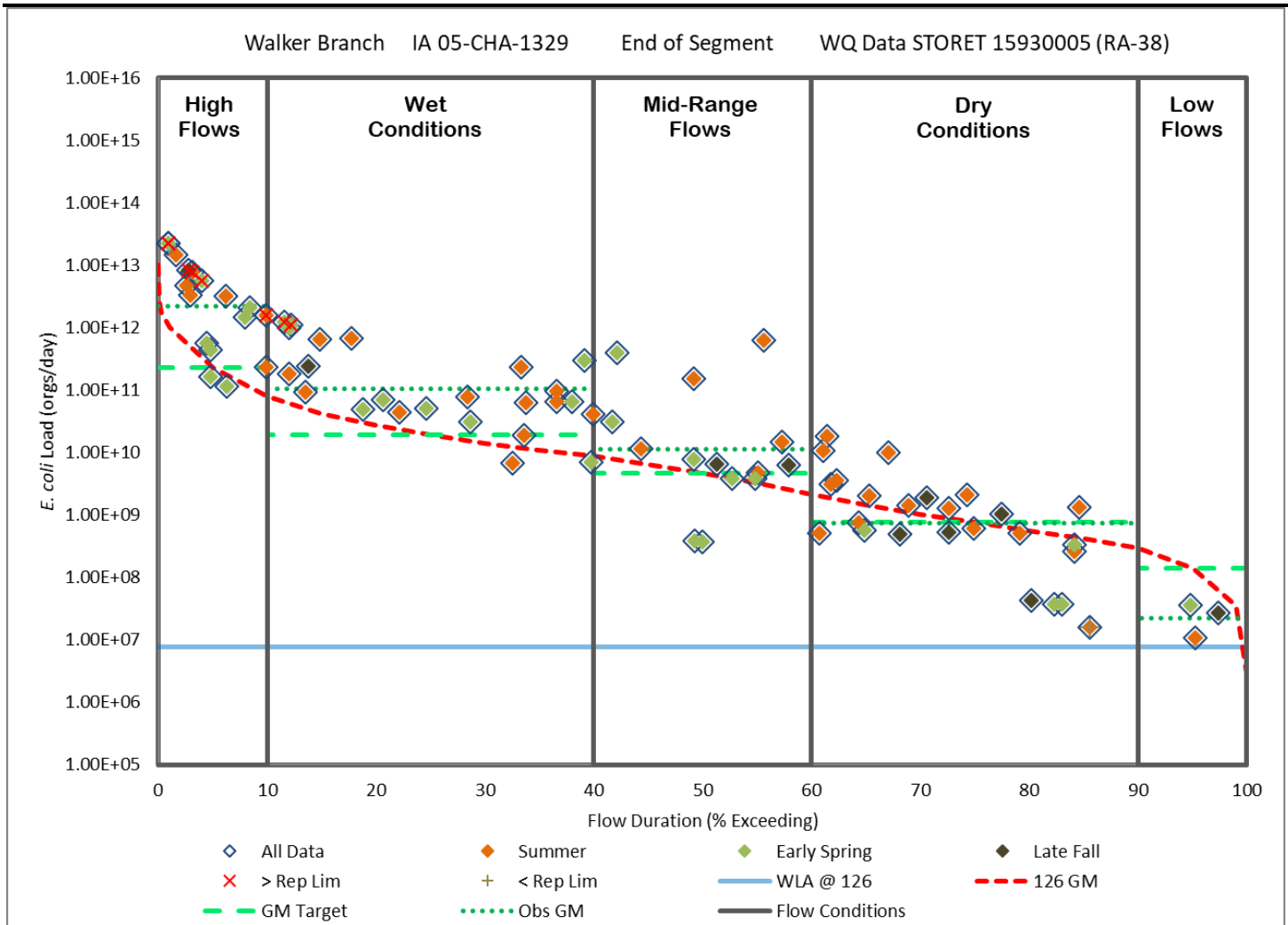


Figure 5.9. Load Duration Curve based on the GM for IA 05-CHA-1329.

Table 5.10. Existing Load Estimates, Departures, and TMDLs Summary based on the GM for IA 05-CHA-1329.

| Load Summary                         | Loads (orgs/day) |                                |                  |                  |                  |
|--------------------------------------|------------------|--------------------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|
|                                      | High             | Wet                            | Mid-Range        | Dry              | Low              |
| Geometric Mean                       | 2.19E+12         | 1.04E+11                       | 1.13E+10         | 7.40E+08         | 2.18E+07         |
| Capacity @ 126<br>orgs/100 ml (TMDL) | 2.26E+11         | 1.92E+10                       | 4.67E+09         | 7.54E+08         | 1.41E+08         |
| GM Departure<br>(% Reduction)        | 1.97E+12<br>(90) | <b>8.47E+10</b><br><b>(82)</b> | 6.67E+09<br>(59) | -1.39E+07<br>(0) | -1.19E+08<br>(0) |
| WLA                                  | 7.63E+06         | 7.63E+06                       | 7.63E+06         | 7.63E+06         | 7.63E+06         |
| LA                                   | 2.03E+11         | 1.72E+10                       | 4.19E+09         | 6.71E+08         | 1.19E+08         |
| MOS                                  | 2.26E+10         | 1.92E+09                       | 4.67E+08         | 7.54E+07         | 1.41E+07         |
| Midpoint Flow (cfs)                  | 73.3             | 6.2                            | 1.5              | 0.2              | 0.05             |

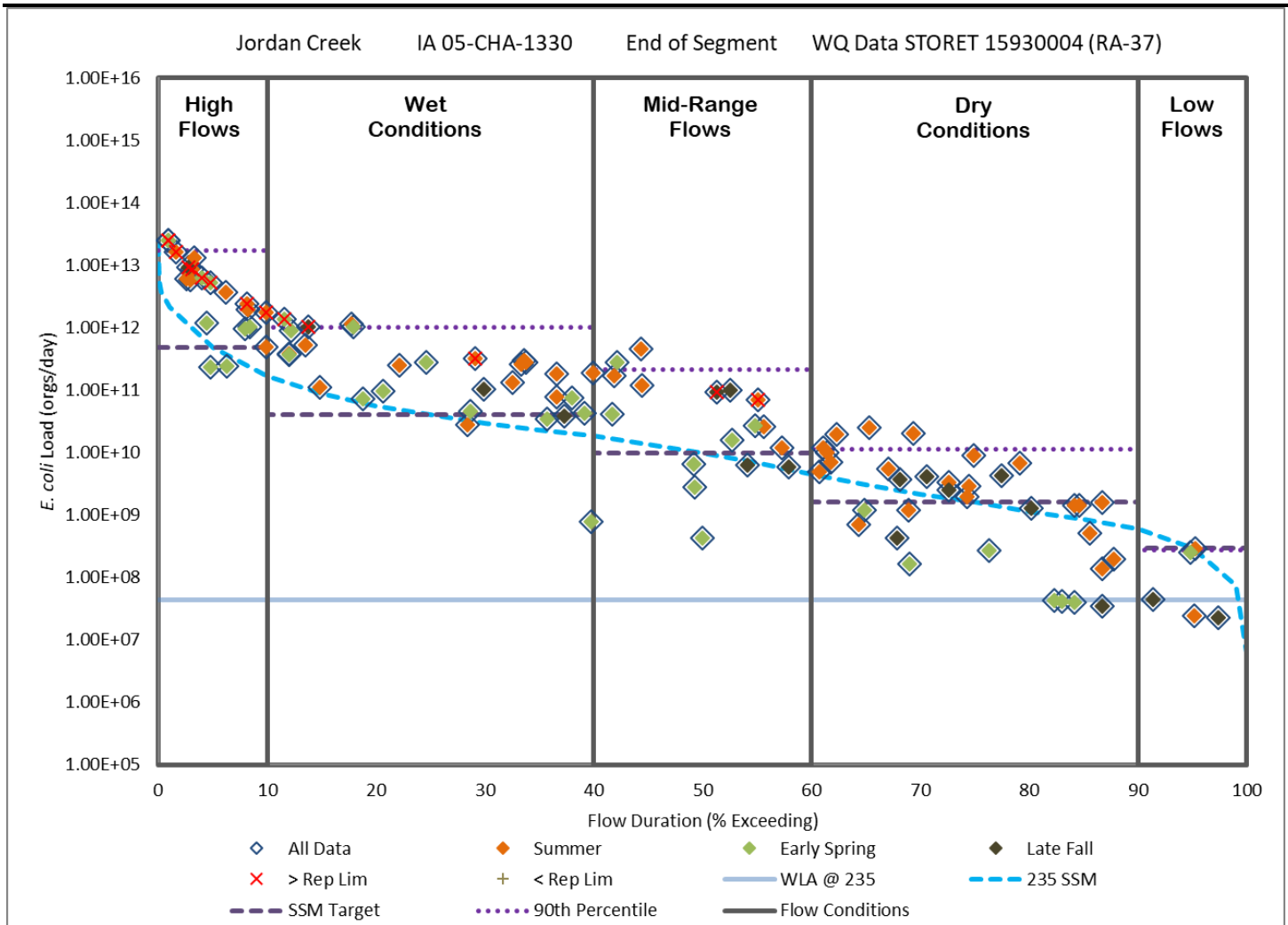


Figure 5.10. Load Duration Curve based on the SSM for IA 05-CHA-1330.

Table 5.11. Existing Load Estimates, Departures, and TMDLs Summary based on the SSM for IA 05-CHA-1330.

| Load Summary                         | Loads (orgs/day) |                  |                  |                  |                  |
|--------------------------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|
|                                      | High             | Wet              | Mid-Range        | Dry              | Low              |
| 90th Percentile                      | 1.71E+13         | 1.02E+12         | 2.09E+11         | 1.12E+10         | 2.72E+08         |
| Capacity @ 235<br>orgs/100 ml (TMDL) | 4.72E+11         | 4.00E+10         | 9.74E+09         | 1.57E+09         | 2.94E+08         |
| SSM Departure<br>(% Reduction)       | 1.66E+13<br>(97) | 9.77E+11<br>(96) | 1.99E+11<br>(95) | 9.66E+09<br>(86) | -2.23E+07<br>(0) |
| WLA                                  | 4.27E+07         | 4.27E+07         | 4.27E+07         | 4.27E+07         | 4.27E+07         |
| LA                                   | 4.25E+11         | 3.60E+10         | 8.72E+09         | 1.37E+09         | 2.22E+08         |
| MOS                                  | 4.72E+10         | 4.00E+09         | 9.74E+08         | 1.57E+08         | 2.94E+07         |
| Midpoint Flow (cfs)                  | 82.1             | 7.0              | 1.7              | 0.3              | 0.05             |

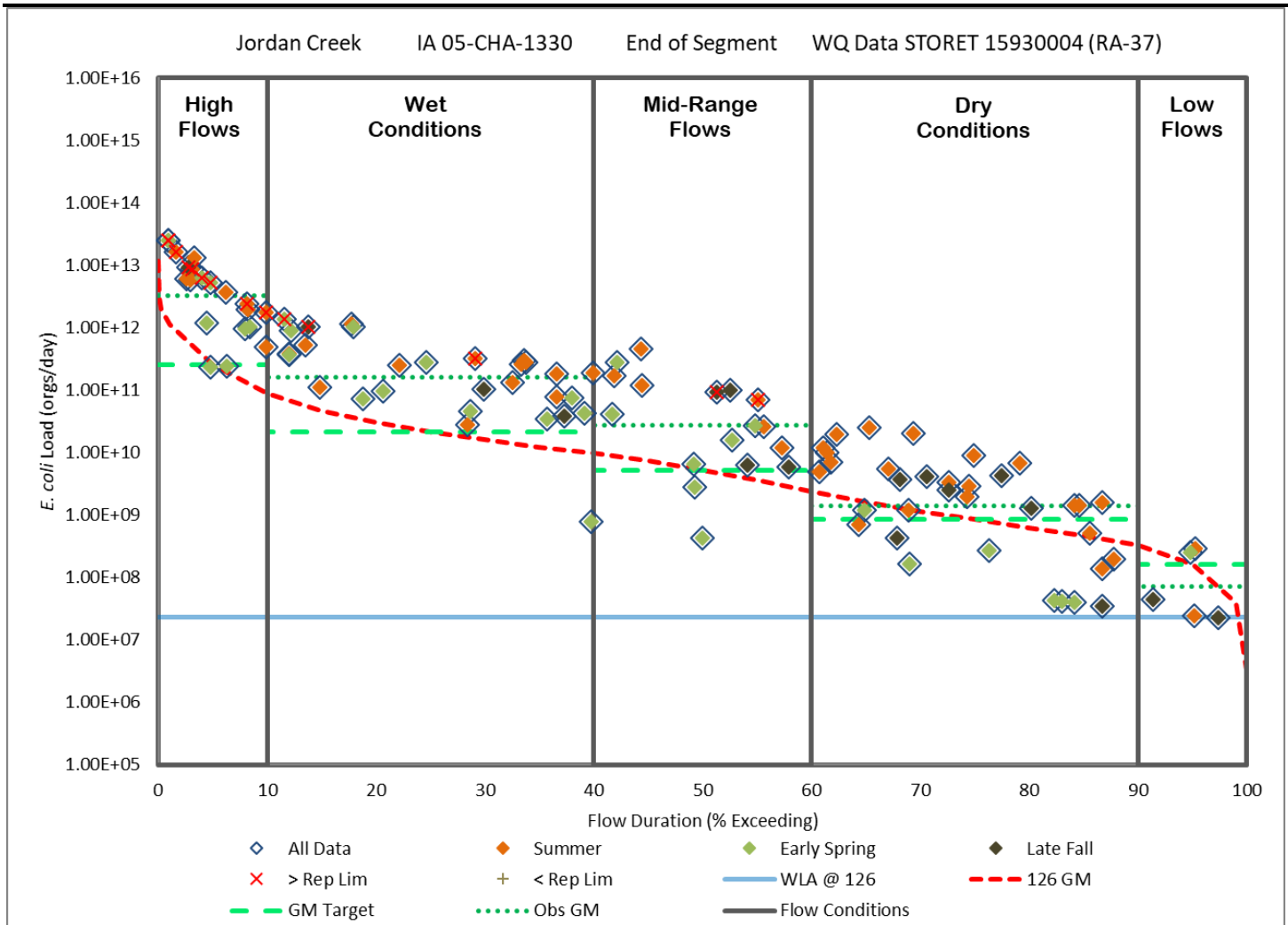


Figure 5.11. Load Duration Curve based on the GM for IA 05-CHA-1330.

Table 5.12. Existing Load Estimates, Departures, and TMDLs Summary based on the GM for IA 05-CHA-1330.

| Load Summary                         | Loads (orgs/day) |                          |                  |                  |                  |
|--------------------------------------|------------------|--------------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|
|                                      | High             | Wet                      | Mid-Range        | Dry              | Low              |
| Geometric Mean                       | 3.18E+12         | 1.57E+11                 | 2.71E+10         | 1.40E+09         | 7.06E+07         |
| Capacity @ 126<br>orgs/100 ml (TMDL) | 2.53E+11         | 2.14E+10                 | 5.22E+09         | 8.43E+08         | 1.58E+08         |
| GM Departure<br>(% Reduction)        | 2.92E+12<br>(92) | <b>1.36E+11<br/>(86)</b> | 2.18E+10<br>(81) | 5.53E+08<br>(40) | -8.71E+07<br>(0) |
| WLA                                  | 2.29E+07         | 2.29E+07                 | 2.29E+07         | 2.29E+07         | 2.29E+07         |
| LA                                   | 2.28E+11         | 1.93E+10                 | 4.68E+09         | 7.36E+08         | 1.19E+08         |
| MOS                                  | 2.53E+10         | 2.14E+09                 | 5.22E+08         | 8.43E+07         | 1.58E+07         |
| Midpoint Flow (cfs)                  | 82.1             | 7.0                      | 1.7              | 0.3              | 0.05             |

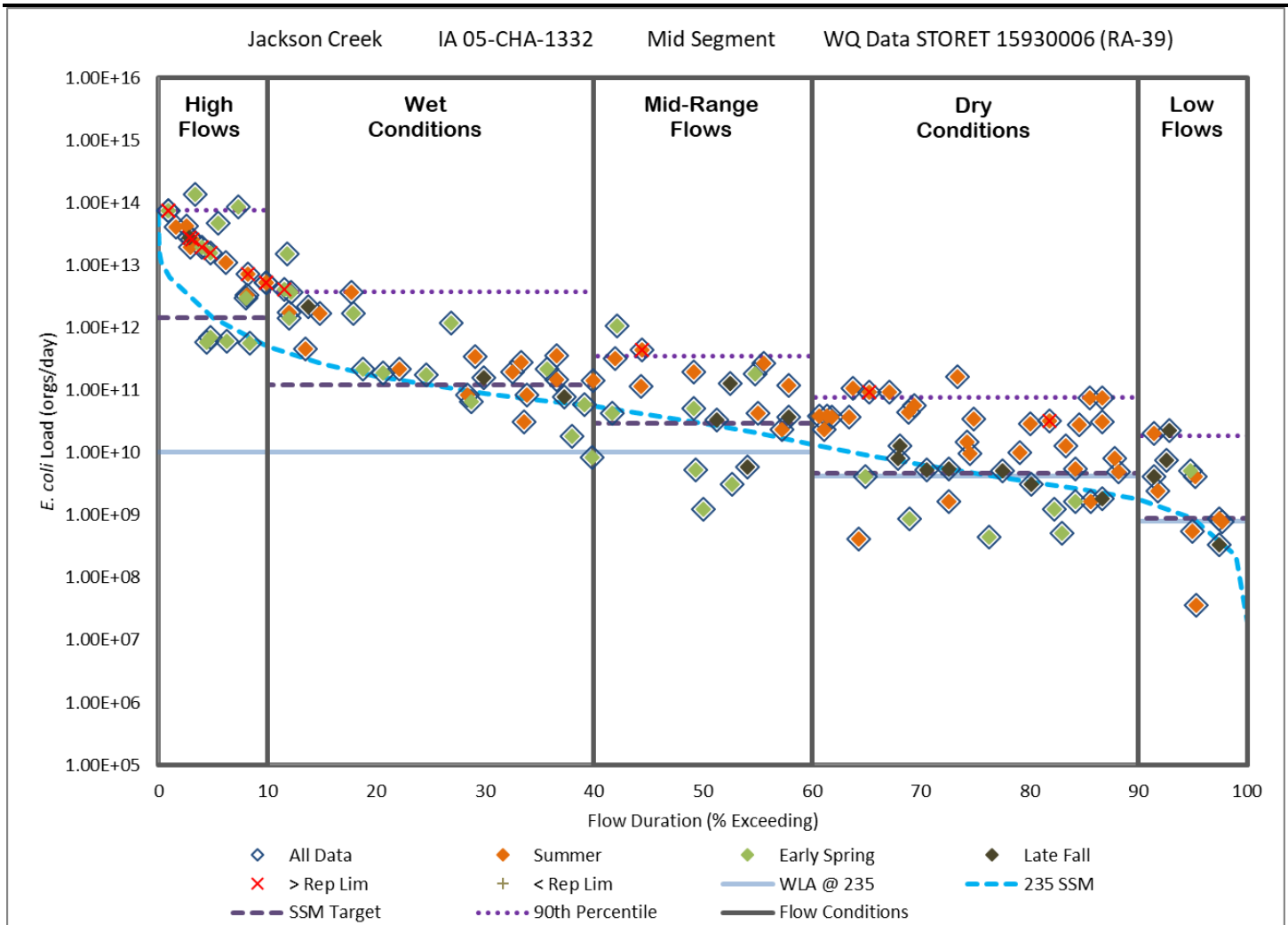


Figure 5.12. Load Duration Curve based on the SSM for IA 05-CHA-1332.

Table 5.13. Existing Load Estimates, Departures, and TMDLs Summary based on the SSM for IA 05-CHA-1332.

| Load Summary                      | Loads (orgs/day) |                      |               |                         |                         |
|-----------------------------------|------------------|----------------------|---------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|
|                                   | High             | Wet                  | Mid-Range     | Dry                     | Low                     |
| 90th Percentile                   | 7.44E+13         | 3.69E+12             | 3.45E+11      | 7.51E+10                | 1.88E+10                |
| Capacity @ 235 orgs/100 ml (TMDL) | 1.42E+12         | 1.21E+11             | 2.94E+10      | 4.74E+09                | 8.87E+08                |
| SSM Departure (% Reduction)       | 7.30E+13 (98)    | <b>3.57E+12 (97)</b> | 3.15E+11 (91) | 7.03E+10 (94)           | 1.79E+10 (95)           |
| WLA <sup>(1)</sup>                | 1.01E+10         | 1.01E+10             | 1.01E+10      | 4.27E+09 <sup>(1)</sup> | 7.98E+08 <sup>(1)</sup> |
| LA                                | 1.27E+12         | 9.85E+10             | 1.63E+10      | --                      | --                      |
| MOS                               | 1.42E+11         | 1.21E+10             | 2.94E+09      | 4.74E+08                | 8.87E+07                |
| Midpoint Flow (cfs)               | 247.5            | 21.0                 | 5.1           | 0.83                    | 0.154                   |

(1) The WLA from the NPDES permitted facilities exceeds the loading capacity of the stream segment during the dry and low flow conditions. The WLA is assigned the TMDL target value less 10% of the TMDL target value.

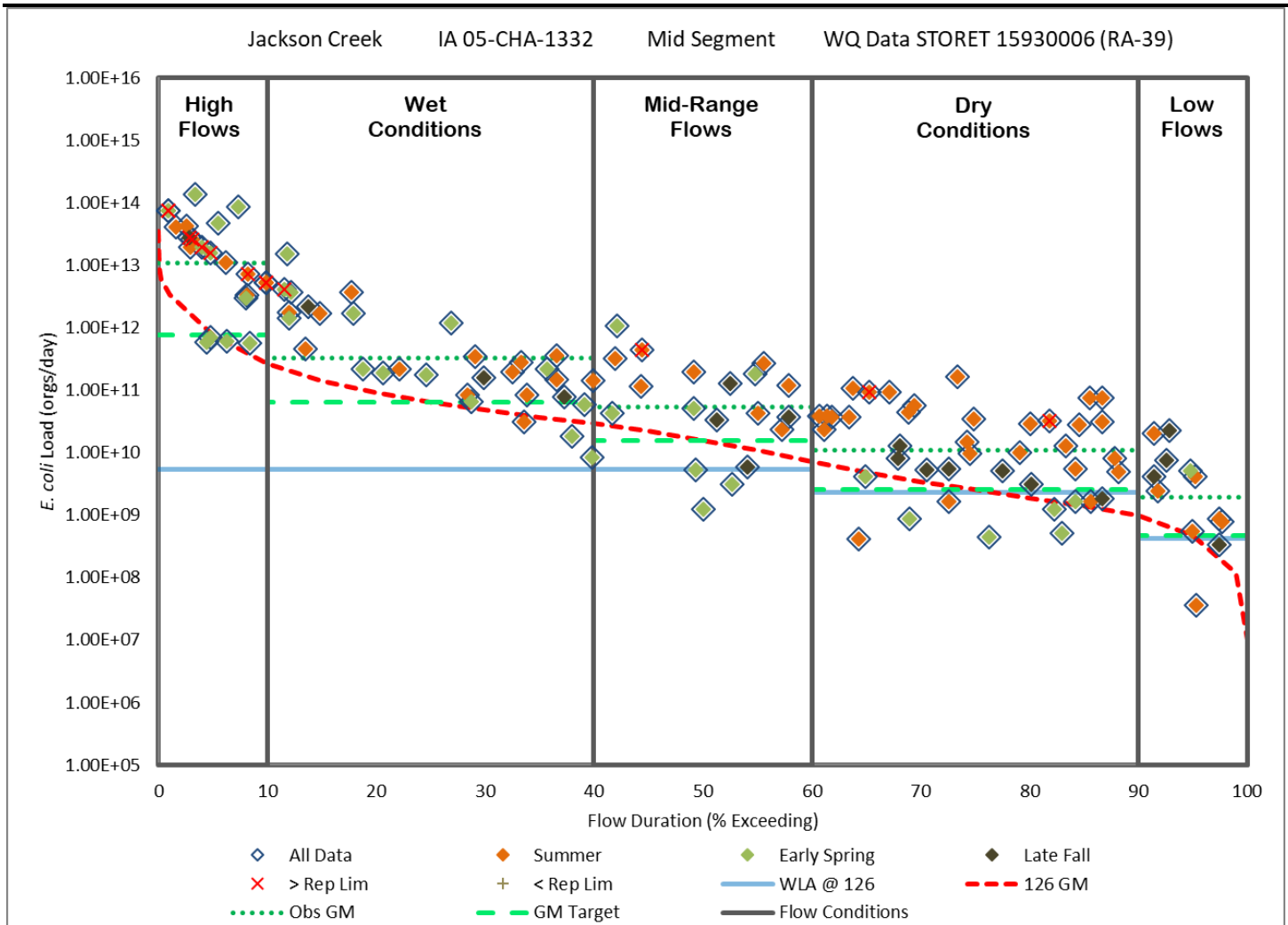


Figure 5.13. Load Duration Curve based on the GM for IA 05-CHA-1332.

Table 5.14. Existing Load Estimates, Departures, and TMDLs Summary based on the GM for IA 05-CHA-1332.

| Load Summary                      | Loads (orgs/day) |                      |               |                         |                         |
|-----------------------------------|------------------|----------------------|---------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|
|                                   | High             | Wet                  | Mid-Range     | Dry                     | Low                     |
| Geometric Mean                    | 1.09E+13         | 3.22E+11             | 5.38E+10      | 1.07E+10                | 1.96E+09                |
| Capacity @ 126 orgs/100 ml (TMDL) | 7.63E+11         | 6.47E+10             | 1.58E+10      | 2.54E+09                | 4.76E+08                |
| GM Departure (% Reduction)        | 1.01E+13 (93)    | <b>2.57E+11 (80)</b> | 3.81E+10 (71) | 8.21E+09 (76)           | 1.48E+09 (76)           |
| WLA <sup>(1)</sup>                | 5.42E+09         | 5.42E+09             | 5.42E+09      | 2.29E+09 <sup>(1)</sup> | 4.28E+08 <sup>(1)</sup> |
| LA                                | 6.81E+11         | 5.28E+10             | 8.76E+09      | --                      | --                      |
| MOS                               | 7.63E+10         | 6.47E+09             | 1.58E+09      | 2.54E+08                | 4.76E+07                |
| Midpoint Flow (cfs)               | 247.5            | 21.0                 | 5.1           | 0.83                    | 0.154                   |

(1) The WLA from the NPDES permitted facilities exceeds the loading capacity of the stream segment during the dry and low flow conditions. The WLA is assigned the TMDL target value less 10% of the TMDL target value.

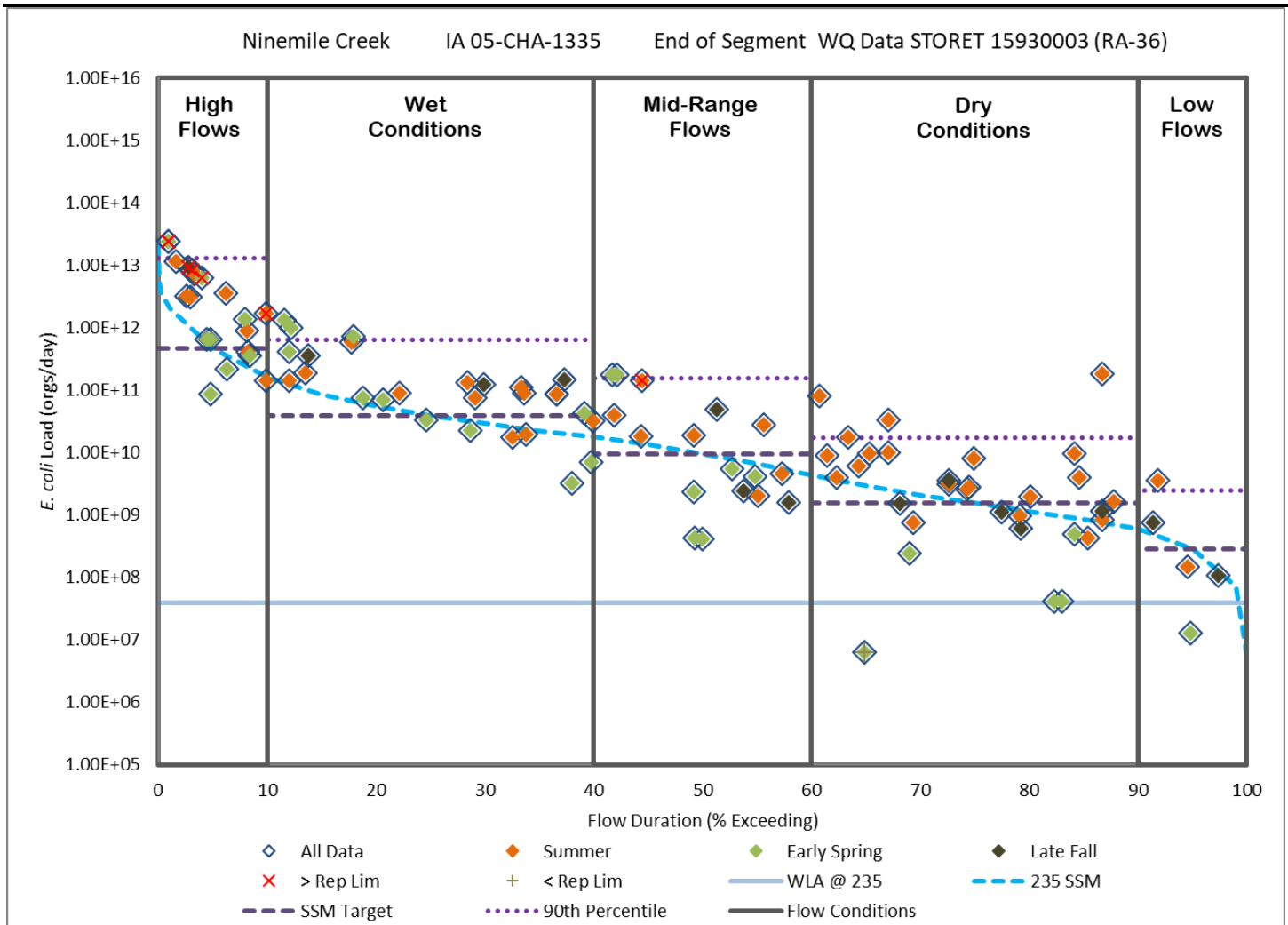


Figure 5.14. Load Duration Curve based on the SSM for IA 05-CHA-1335.

Table 5.15. Existing Load Estimates, Departures, and TMDLs Summary based on the SSM for IA 05-CHA-1335.

| Load Summary                         | Loads (orgs/day) |                                |                                |                  |                  |
|--------------------------------------|------------------|--------------------------------|--------------------------------|------------------|------------------|
|                                      | High             | Wet                            | Mid-Range                      | Dry              | Low              |
| 90th Percentile                      | 1.27E+13         | 6.42E+11                       | 1.53E+11                       | 1.74E+10         | 2.45E+09         |
| Capacity @ 235<br>orgs/100 ml (TMDL) | 4.61E+11         | 3.91E+10                       | 9.52E+09                       | 1.54E+09         | 2.87E+08         |
| SSM Departure<br>(% Reduction)       | 1.22E+13<br>(96) | <b>6.03E+11</b><br><b>(94)</b> | <b>1.44E+11</b><br><b>(94)</b> | 1.59E+10<br>(91) | 2.16E+09<br>(88) |
| WLA                                  | 3.91E+07         | 3.91E+07                       | 3.91E+07                       | 3.91E+07         | 3.91E+07         |
| LA                                   | 4.15E+11         | 3.52E+10                       | 8.53E+09                       | 1.34E+09         | 2.20E+08         |
| MOS                                  | 4.61E+10         | 3.91E+09                       | 9.52E+08                       | 1.54E+08         | 2.87E+07         |
| Midpoint Flow (cfs)                  | 80.2             | 6.8                            | 1.7                            | 0.27             | 0.050            |

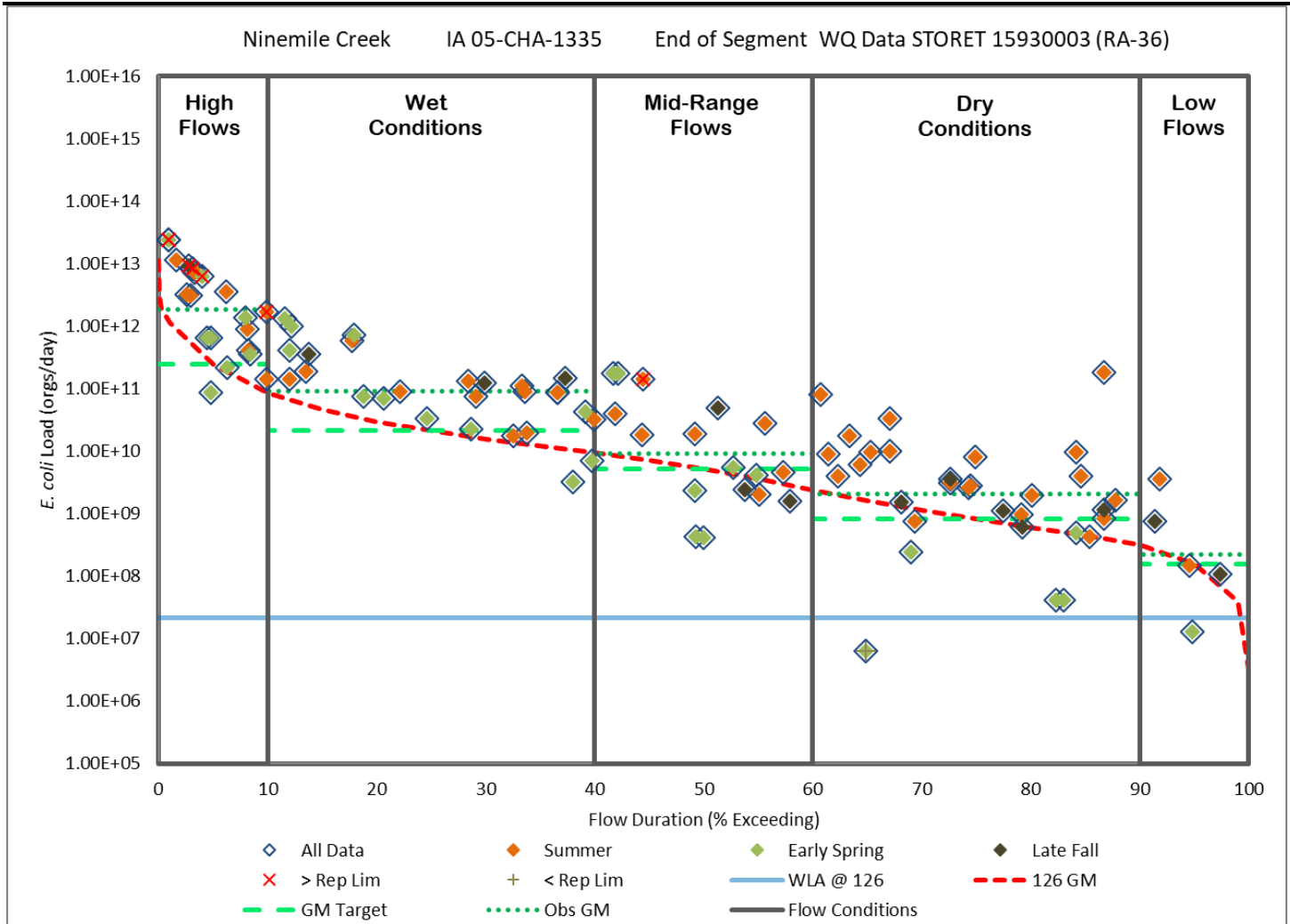


Figure 5.15. Load Duration Curve based on the GM for IA 05-CHA-1335.

Table 5.16. Existing Load Estimates, Departures, and TMDLs Summary based on the GM for IA 05-CHA-1335.

| Load Summary                         | Loads (orgs/day) |                                |                  |                  |                  |
|--------------------------------------|------------------|--------------------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|
|                                      | High             | Wet                            | Mid-Range        | Dry              | Low              |
| Geometric Mean                       | 1.86E+12         | 9.14E+10                       | 9.16E+09         | 2.05E+09         | 2.23E+08         |
| Capacity @ 126<br>orgs/100 ml (TMDL) | 2.47E+11         | 2.10E+10                       | 5.11E+09         | 8.24E+08         | 1.54E+08         |
| GM Departure<br>(% Reduction)        | 1.62E+12<br>(87) | <b>7.04E+10</b><br><b>(77)</b> | 4.05E+09<br>(44) | 1.23E+09<br>(60) | 6.87E+07<br>(31) |
| WLA                                  | 2.10E+07         | 2.10E+07                       | 2.10E+07         | 2.10E+07         | 2.10E+07         |
| LA                                   | 2.23E+11         | 1.89E+10                       | 4.57E+09         | 7.21E+08         | 1.18E+08         |
| MOS                                  | 2.47E+10         | 2.10E+09                       | 5.11E+08         | 8.24E+07         | 1.54E+07         |
| Midpoint Flow (cfs)                  | 80.2             | 6.8                            | 1.7              | 0.3              | 0.05             |



### 5.4 TMDL Summary

The following equation represents the total maximum daily load (TMDL) and its components for the impaired segments of the Wolf Creek-Chariton River HUC 10:

$$TMDL = LC = \sum WLA + \sum LA + MOS$$

Where: TMDL = total maximum daily load  
 LC = loading capacity  
 $\sum$  WLA = sum of wasteload allocations (point sources)  
 $\sum$  LA = sum of load allocations (nonpoint sources)  
 MOS = margin of safety (to account for uncertainty)

Once the loading capacity, wasteload allocations, load allocations, and margin of safety have all been determined, the general equation above can be expressed for each segment and flow condition for *E. coli* as the allowable maximum daily load (Table 5.17) as required by EPA (see Appendix D).

**Table 5.17. TMDL Summary by Impaired Segment for the South Fork Chariton River HUC 10.**

|   | Flow Condition | TMDL (orgs/day) | WLA (orgs/day) | LA (orgs/day) | MOS (orgs/day) |
|---|----------------|-----------------|----------------|---------------|----------------|
| <b>South Fork Chariton River (IA 05-CHA-1327)</b> |                |                 |                |               |                |
| SSM   | High Flow      | 1.64E+12        | 0.00E+00       | 1.48E+12      | 1.64E+11       |
|   | Wet            | 1.39E+11        | 0.00E+00       | 1.25E+11      | 1.39E+10       |
|   | Average        | 3.39E+10        | 0.00E+00       | 3.05E+10      | 3.39E+09       |
|   | Dry            | 5.47E+09        | 0.00E+00       | 4.93E+09      | 5.47E+08       |
|   | Low Flow       | 1.02E+09        | 0.00E+00       | 9.21E+08      | 1.02E+08       |
| GM  | High Flow      | 8.80E+11        | 0.00E+00       | 7.92E+11      | 8.80E+10       |
|   | Wet            | 7.46E+10        | 0.00E+00       | 6.72E+10      | 7.46E+09       |
|   | Average        | 1.82E+10        | 0.00E+00       | 1.64E+10      | 1.82E+09       |
|   | Dry            | 2.94E+09        | 0.00E+00       | 2.64E+09      | 2.94E+08       |
|   | Low Flow       | 5.49E+08        | 0.00E+00       | 4.94E+08      | 5.49E+07       |
| <b>South Fork Chariton Creek (IA 05-CHA-1328)</b> |                |                 |                |               |                |
| SSM   | High Flow      | 1.07E+12        | 0.00E+00       | 9.63E+11      | 1.07E+11       |
|   | Wet            | 9.07E+10        | 0.00E+00       | 8.17E+10      | 9.07E+09       |
|   | Average        | 2.21E+10        | 0.00E+00       | 1.99E+10      | 2.21E+09       |
|   | Dry            | 3.57E+09        | 0.00E+00       | 3.21E+09      | 3.57E+08       |
|   | Low Flow       | 6.67E+08        | 0.00E+00       | 6.00E+08      | 6.67E+07       |
| GM  | High Flow      | 5.74E+11        | 0.00E+00       | 5.16E+11      | 5.74E+10       |
|   | Wet            | 4.86E+10        | 0.00E+00       | 4.38E+10      | 4.86E+09       |
|   | Average        | 1.18E+10        | 0.00E+00       | 1.07E+10      | 1.18E+09       |
|   | Dry            | 1.91E+09        | 0.00E+00       | 1.72E+09      | 1.91E+08       |
|   | Low Flow       | 3.58E+08        | 0.00E+00       | 3.22E+08      | 3.58E+07       |

|                                       | Flow Condition          | TMDL (orgs/day) | WLA (orgs/day)  | LA (orgs/day) | MOS (orgs/day) |
|---------------------------------------|-------------------------|-----------------|-----------------|---------------|----------------|
| <b>Walker Branch (IA 05-CHA-1329)</b> |                         |                 |                 |               |                |
| SSM                                   | High Flow               | 4.22E+11        | 1.42E+07        | 3.80E+11      | 4.22E+10       |
|                                       | Wet                     | 3.58E+10        | 1.42E+07        | 3.22E+10      | 3.58E+09       |
|                                       | Average                 | 8.71E+09        | 1.42E+07        | 7.82E+09      | 8.71E+08       |
|                                       | Dry                     | 1.41E+09        | 1.42E+07        | 1.25E+09      | 1.41E+08       |
|                                       | Low Flow                | 2.63E+08        | 1.42E+07        | 2.22E+08      | 2.63E+07       |
| GM                                    | High Flow               | 2.26E+11        | 7.63E+06        | 2.03E+11      | 2.26E+10       |
|                                       | Wet                     | 1.92E+10        | 7.63E+06        | 1.72E+10      | 1.92E+09       |
|                                       | Average                 | 4.67E+09        | 7.63E+06        | 4.19E+09      | 4.67E+08       |
|                                       | Dry                     | 7.54E+08        | 7.63E+06        | 6.71E+08      | 7.54E+07       |
|                                       | Low Flow                | 1.41E+08        | 7.63E+06        | 1.19E+08      | 1.41E+07       |
| <b>Jordan Creek (IA 05-CHA-1330)</b>  |                         |                 |                 |               |                |
| SSM                                   | High Flow               | 4.72E+11        | 4.27E+07        | 4.25E+11      | 4.72E+10       |
|                                       | Wet                     | 4.00E+10        | 4.27E+07        | 3.60E+10      | 4.00E+09       |
|                                       | Average                 | 9.74E+09        | 4.27E+07        | 8.72E+09      | 9.74E+08       |
|                                       | Dry                     | 1.57E+09        | 4.27E+07        | 1.37E+09      | 1.57E+08       |
|                                       | Low Flow                | 2.94E+08        | 4.27E+07        | 2.22E+08      | 2.94E+07       |
| GM                                    | High Flow               | 2.53E+11        | 2.29E+07        | 2.28E+11      | 2.53E+10       |
|                                       | Wet                     | 2.14E+10        | 2.29E+07        | 1.93E+10      | 2.14E+09       |
|                                       | Average                 | 5.22E+09        | 2.29E+07        | 4.68E+09      | 5.22E+08       |
|                                       | Dry                     | 8.43E+08        | 2.29E+07        | 7.36E+08      | 8.43E+07       |
|                                       | Low Flow                | 1.58E+08        | 2.29E+07        | 1.19E+08      | 1.58E+07       |
| <b>Jackson Creek (IA 05-CHA-1332)</b> |                         |                 |                 |               |                |
| SSM                                   | High Flow               | 1.42E+12        | 1.01E+10        | 1.27E+12      | 1.42E+11       |
|                                       | Wet                     | 1.21E+11        | 1.01E+10        | 9.85E+10      | 1.21E+10       |
|                                       | Average                 | 2.94E+10        | 1.01E+10        | 1.63E+10      | 2.94E+09       |
|                                       | Dry <sup>(1)</sup>      | 4.74E+09        | <b>4.27E+09</b> | 0.00E+00      | 4.74E+08       |
|                                       | Low Flow <sup>(1)</sup> | 8.87E+08        | <b>7.98E+08</b> | 0.00E+00      | 8.87E+07       |
| GM                                    | High Flow               | 7.63E+11        | 5.42E+09        | 6.81E+11      | 7.63E+10       |
|                                       | Wet                     | 6.47E+10        | 5.42E+09        | 5.28E+10      | 6.47E+09       |
|                                       | Average                 | 1.58E+10        | 5.42E+09        | 8.76E+09      | 1.58E+09       |
|                                       | Dry <sup>(1)</sup>      | 2.54E+09        | <b>2.29E+09</b> | 0.00E+00      | 2.54E+08       |
|                                       | Low Flow <sup>(1)</sup> | 4.76E+08        | <b>4.28E+08</b> | 0.00E+00      | 4.76E+07       |

|  | Flow Condition | TMDL (orgs/day) | WLA (orgs/day) | LA (orgs/day) | MOS (orgs/day) |
|--|----------------|-----------------|----------------|---------------|----------------|
| <b>Ninemile Creek (IA 05-CHA-1335)</b> |                |                 |                |               |                |
| SSM                                    | High Flow      | 4.61E+11        | 3.91E+07       | 4.15E+11      | 4.61E+10       |
|  | Wet            | 3.91E+10        | 3.91E+07       | 3.52E+10      | 3.91E+09       |
|  | Average        | 9.52E+09        | 3.91E+07       | 8.53E+09      | 9.52E+08       |
|  | Dry            | 1.54E+09        | 3.91E+07       | 1.34E+09      | 1.54E+08       |
|  | Low Flow       | 2.87E+08        | 3.91E+07       | 2.20E+08      | 2.87E+07       |
| GM                                     | High Flow      | 2.47E+11        | 2.10E+07       | 2.23E+11      | 2.47E+10       |
|  | Wet            | 2.10E+10        | 2.10E+07       | 1.89E+10      | 2.10E+09       |
|  | Average        | 5.11E+09        | 2.10E+07       | 4.57E+09      | 5.11E+08       |
|  | Dry            | 8.24E+08        | 2.10E+07       | 7.21E+08      | 8.24E+07       |
|  | Low Flow       | 1.54E+08        | 2.10E+07       | 1.18E+08      | 1.54E+07       |

(1) The WLA from the NPDES permitted facilities exceeds the loading capacity of the stream segment during dry and low flow conditions. The WLA is assigned the TMDL target value less 10% of the TMDL target value.

## 6. TMDLs Cooper Creek - Chariton River for Indicator Bacteria (*E. coli*)

Total Maximum Daily Loads (TMDLs) are required for the two impaired waterbody segments in the Cooper Creek-Chariton River HUC 10 (1028020104) by the Federal Clean Water Act. This section of the Water Quality Improvement Plan (WQIP) describes the pollutant, in this case *Escherichia coli* (*E. coli*), leading to the impairments and the maximum amount of *E. coli* the stream segments can assimilate and still support their designated uses.

### 6.1 Problem Identification

The primary contact recreation (Class A1) uses in two segments of the Chariton River downstream of Rathbun Lake are not supported due to the presence of high levels of indicator bacteria (*E. coli*) (Figure 6.1). High *E. coli* levels in a waterbody can indicate the presence of potentially harmful bacteria and viruses (also called pathogens). Humans can become ill if they come into contact with and/or ingest water that contains pathogens. Under Iowa Administrative Code, streams are impaired for *E. coli* if they exceed a single sample maximum of 235 colony forming units (cfu) per 100 ml of water and the geometric mean of all samples exceeds 126 cfu/100 ml of water. This standard is only applicable during the recreation season, defined as March 15 through November 15.

Both point and nonpoint sources of pollution can be responsible for high *E. coli* levels. Permitted sources include municipal wastewater treatment facilities (WWTF) and discharging onsite wastewater treatment and disposal systems. Onsite wastewater treatment systems are often called septic systems, even though not all systems include a septic tank. Nonpoint sources result from livestock, pets, wildlife, and humans that live, work, and play in and around the stream. Specific examples of potential nonpoint sources of bacteria include cattle with direct access to streams, manure applied to row crops, non-permitted onsite wastewater systems, and natural sources such as wildlife.

#### Stream Segment Designations and Descriptions

Two stream segments within the Cooper Creek - Chariton River HUC 10 do not meet water quality standards (WQS) and are not fully supporting class A1 (primary contact) designated uses due to presence of high levels of indicator bacteria called *Escherichia coli* (*E. coli*). Prior to 2008, none of the listed segments were designated for primary contact recreation (Class A1). In February 2008, changes to Iowa's surface water classifications were approved by the EPA and all segments were now presumed to be Class A1, primary contact recreation. Table 6.1 is a summary of the impaired stream segments, segment identification, location description, segment length, and designated uses.

**Table 6.1. Impaired Stream Segment and Designated Uses.**

| Stream name    | Segment ID     | Location Description  | Stream Length (MI) | Designated Uses  | Impairment Category <sup>(1)</sup> |
|----------------|----------------|---|--------------------|--|------------------------------------|
| Chariton River | IA 05-CHA-1307 | from the Iowa/Missouri State line to the Highway 2 crossing in S27, T69N, R17W, Appanoose Co.                 | 13.51              | A1<br>B (WW1)<br>HH (Human Health)                       | 5a                                 |
| Chariton River | IA 05-CHA-1308 | from the Highway 2 crossing (S27, T69N, R17W, Appanoose Co.) to Rathbun Dam in S35, T69N, R18W, Appanoose Co. | 17.1               | A1<br>B (WW1)<br>C (Drinking Water)<br>HH (Human Health) | 5a                                 |

(1) Impairment category: 5a (pollutant-caused impairment. TMDL needed)

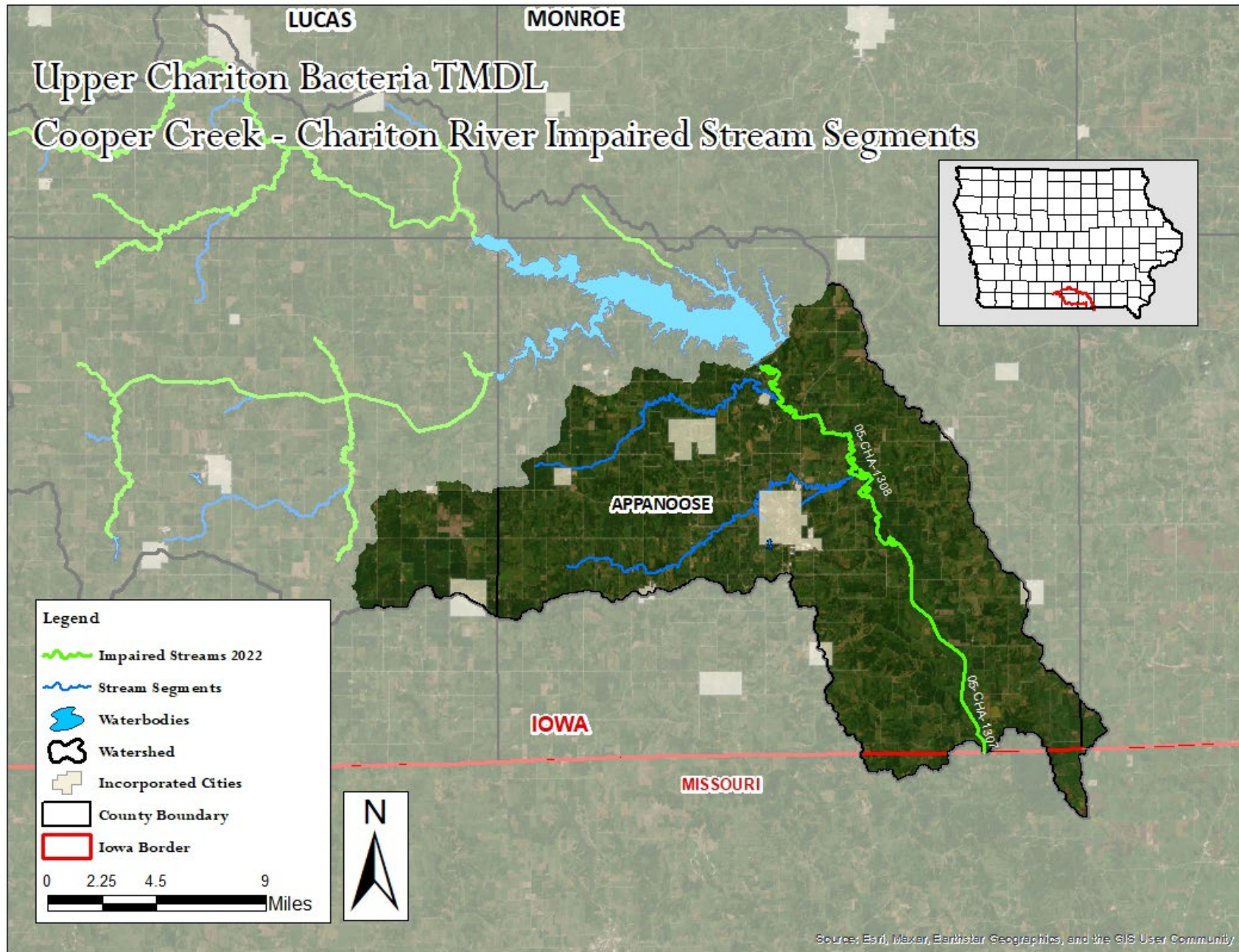


Figure 6.1. Map of the Cooper Creek - Chariton River HUC 10 with Impaired Stream Segments.

**Problem Statement**

Water quality assessments indicate that primary contact recreation is “not supported” in this segment due to high levels of indicator bacteria (*E. coli*) that routinely violate the state’s water quality standards (Table 6.2). The significance of the impairments noted in the assessments is that desirable recreational activities, such as swimming and wading, are not adequately provided by existing water quality in the impaired segment. As a result of these findings, the Federal Clean Water Act requires that TDMLs be developed for all the impaired segments for *E. coli*.

**Table 6.2. Impairment Criteria for the Impaired Segment.**

| Stream name    | Segment ID     | Geometric mean<br>(impairment at 126 cfu/100 ml) |      |      | Single Sample Max.<br>(235 cfu/100 ml)<br>% samples exceeding |
|----------------|----------------|--|------|------|---|
|                |                | 2010   | 2011 | 2012 |   |
| Chariton River | IA 05-CHA-1307 | 31   | 83   | 235  | 21%   |
| Chariton River | IA 05-CHA-1308 | 31   | 83   | 235  | 21%   |

Stream segment IA 05-CHA-1307 was originally included on the 303(d) list in 2016. This segment does not have any monitoring stations associated with it however, it is listed as impaired since the upstream segment (IA 05-CHA-1308) is impaired for *E. coli* and the adjacent downstream segment, which is located in Missouri, is impaired *E. coli* also. The explanation for assessing this as “not supported” states:

“The Class A1 use was assessed as "not supported" due to identification of an impairment for indicator bacteria (*E. coli*) in the adjacent downstream segment by the Missouri Department of Natural Resources. This bacteria impairment covers the entire length of the Chariton River in Missouri. The bacterial impairment for the upper portion of the Chariton River in Missouri was based, in part, on data for *E. coli* from the DNR monitoring station downstream from Rathbun Dam (Station 10040001). Thus, identification of an IR Category 5a impairment for the Iowa segment of the river adjacent to Missouri is justified. A TMDL for the bacterial impairment on the Missouri portion of the Chariton River was approved by EPA in December 2010.”

<https://programs.iowadnr.gov/adbnnet/Segments/1307/Assessment/2022>).

**Data Sources**

Sources of data used in the development of this TMDL include those used in the 2012 305(b) report, several sources of additional flow and water quality data, and non-water quality related data used for model development. Monitoring sites are listed in Table 6.3 and shown in Figure 6.2. Specific data includes:

- Precipitation and temperature data from the National Weather Service Cooperative Observer Program (NWS COOP) (IEM, 2015)
- Precipitation and temperature data from the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) National Climatic Data Center (NCDC) (NOAA, 2015)
- 10-m Digital Elevation Model (DEM) available from DNR GIS library
- SSURGO soils data maintained by United States Department of Agriculture -Natural Resource Conservation Service (USDA-NRCS)
- U.S. Department of Agriculture National Agricultural Statistics Service Cropland Data Layer (CDL) reflecting 2006 conditions (USDA-NASS, 2013)
- Aerial images (various years) collected and maintained by DNR

**Table 6.3 WQ Monitoring Sites of Cooper Creek - Chariton River HUC 10.**

| Site Name <sup>(1)</sup>                      | Date Range   | ID              | Longitude | Latitude |
|---|--------------|-----------------|-----------|----------|
| Chariton River near Centerville <sup>1)</sup> | 1998-2013    | STORET 10040001 | -92.8580  | 40.7904  |
| Chariton River at 561 <sup>st</sup> St.       | 2014-present | STORET 10040002 | -92.8823  | 40.8105  |

(1) Location changed to STORET 10040002 after 2013 sampling season due to safety concerns at 10040001.

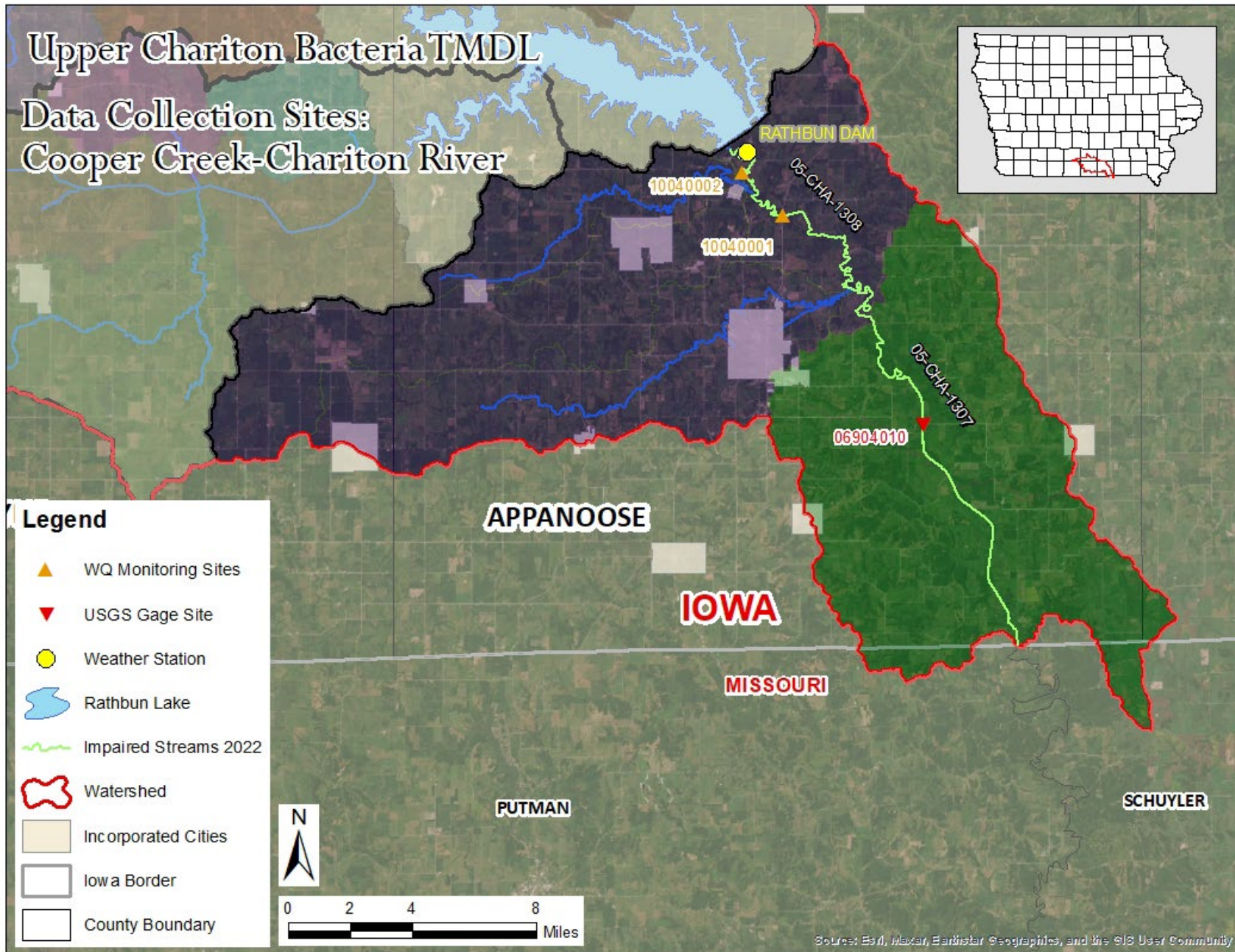


Figure 6.2. Data Sources Cooper Creek-Chariton River HUC-10.

### *Interpreting the Data*

Analysis of the data shows consistently high *E. coli* levels that significantly exceed both criteria set for in Iowa's water quality standards for primary contact recreation. Significant reductions in *E. coli* loading will be required to comply with the standards and fully support the designated recreational use in the impaired segments.

## **6.2 Pollution Source Assessment**

### *Identification of Pollutant Sources*

There are a variety of *E. coli* sources in the Cooper Creek - Chariton River watershed. These sources can be divided into two categories, point and non-point sources. Point sources include municipal and industrial wastewater treatment facilities (WWTFs), sanitary sewer overflows (SSOs), onsite wastewater systems with permitted discharges, and animal feeding operations (AFOs) regulated as concentrated animal feeding operations (CAFOs). Nonpoint sources include wildlife, manure application to row crops, grazing livestock and small feeding operations, direct deposition by livestock in streams, and non-permitted (i.e., non-discharging) onsite wastewater systems.

Load duration curves (LDCs) were used in the development of *E. coli* TMDLs for impaired stream segments in the Cooper Creek - Chariton River Watershed (Section 6.3). The use of LDCs is helpful for understanding the importance that hydrology plays on pollutant loading. Information illustrated in LDCs provides a basic understanding of the importance of potential pollutant sources, although the approach does not offer explicit calculation of source-specific pollutant loads. However, when analyzed in conjunction with a detailed inventory of sources, LDCs can provide a quantitative means of comparing the relative importance of specific pollutant sources.

### *Point Sources*

There are a total of eight active NPDES permits for waste water treatment facilities (WWTF) in the impaired segment of the Chariton River. In addition, there are four unsewered communities and one General Permit #4. There are no CAFOs reaching the threshold of 1,000 animal units, therefore there are no permitted confinement facilities in the impaired segment. Figure 6.3 shows the locations of NPDES permitted wastewater facilities, concentrated animal feeding operations, unsewered communities, and private facilities that discharge under an NPDES General Permit #4 within the HUC 10 area. A full inventory of dischargers and their respective WLAs is provided in Appendix C.

### *Nonpoint Sources*

The nonpoint sources of pathogen indicators include contributors that do not have localized points of release into a stream. In the watershed these sources are:

- Grazing animals / wildlife
- Direct deposition of manure in streams
- Land application and subsequent runoff of manure
- Developed / urban area runoff
- Faulty septic tank systems

### *Allowance for Increases in Pollutant Loads*

There are four unsewered communities in the Cooper Creek - Chariton River HUC 10. A reserve wasteload allocation was calculated for each community and applied to the WLA for the associated segment. Appendix C.2 lists all the unsewered communities in the Upper Chariton watershed. A new source or a new discharger must not discharge to the waters protected by this TMDL unless its construction or operation will not cause or contribute to the impairment addressed by this TMDL.



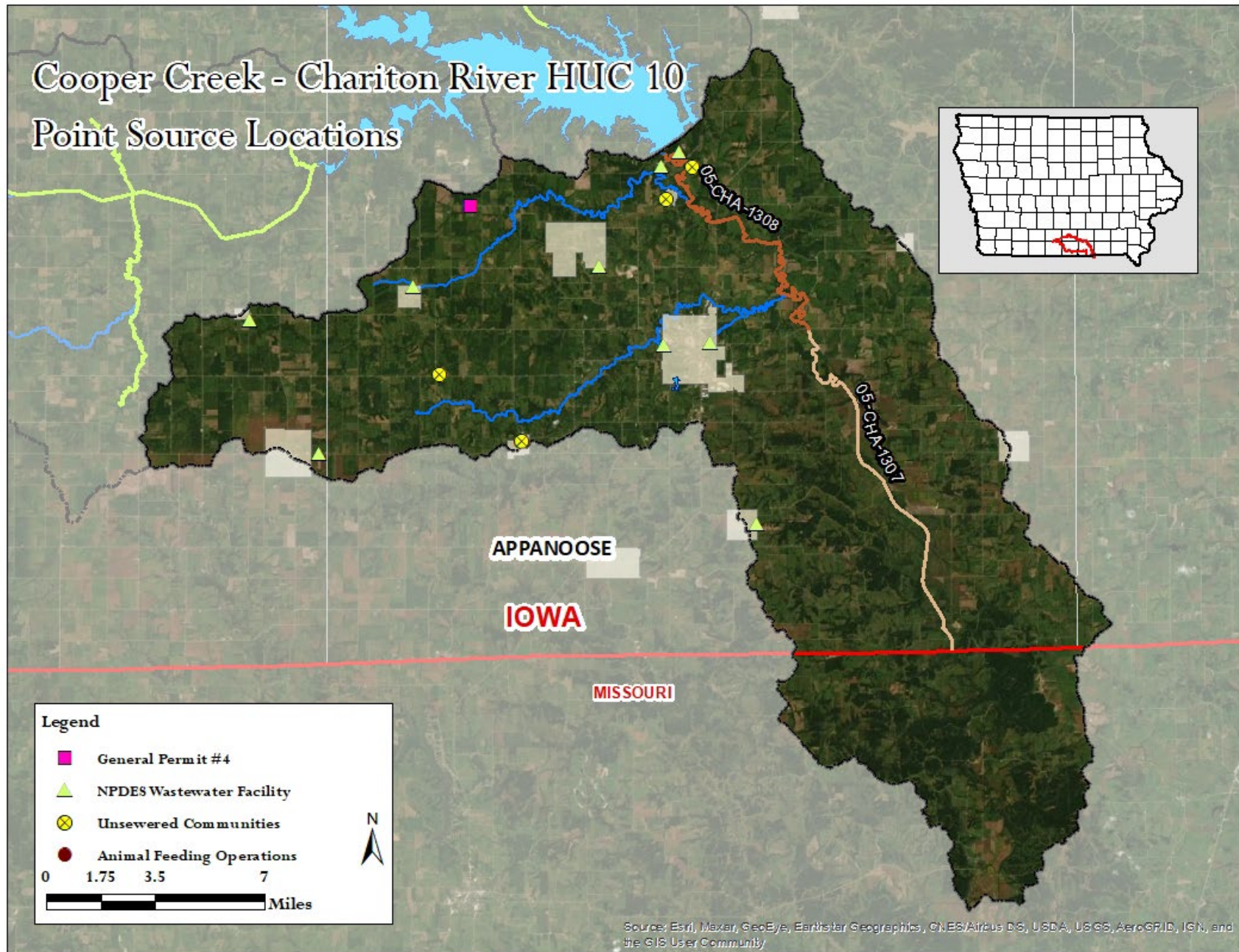


Figure 6.3. Map of the Cooper Creek - Chariton River Point Sources

### 6.3 Pollutant Allocation

#### Wasteload Allocation

A WLA was calculated for each wastewater treatment facility (WWTF) and an aggregate reserve WLA for unsewered communities in the watershed. Table 6.4 shows the aggregate WLA summary by facility type for the Cooper Creek - Chariton River watershed. Individual WLAs for each discharger are included in Appendix C.

**Table 6.4. Wasteload Allocations for Cooper Creek - Chariton River HUC-10.**

| Facility Type        | Number of Facilities | Flow (MGD) <sup>(1)</sup> | GM Conc (orgs/100 ml) | GM Load (orgs/day) | SSM Conc (orgs/100 ml) | SSM Load (orgs/day) |
|----------------------|----------------------|---------------------------|-----------------------|--------------------|------------------------|---------------------|
| WWTF <sup>(2)</sup>  | 8                    | 4.20                      | 126                   | 2.00E+10           | 235                    | 3.73E+10            |
| Unsewered            | 4                    | 0.0261                    | 126                   | 1.24E+08           | 235                    | 2.32E+08            |
| GP #4 <sup>(3)</sup> | 1                    | 0.00045                   | 235                   | 4.00E+06           | 235                    | 4.00E+06            |
| <b>Totals</b>        | <b>13</b>            | <b>4.22</b>               | <b>--</b>             | <b>2.01E+10</b>    | <b>--</b>              | <b>3.76E+10</b>     |

(1) Flows used to calculate the wasteload allocation. See Appendix C.

(2) SSM WLA's were calculated for assessment purposes to determine an appropriate LA (nonpoint source). As per IAC 567 62.8(2) daily sample maximum criteria for E coli shall not be used as an end-of-pipe limitation.

(3) General Permit #4, permitted for 235 orgs/100 ml in effluent discharge.

#### Load Allocation

Nonpoint sources result from livestock, pets, wildlife, and humans that live, work, and play in and around the stream. Specific examples of potential nonpoint sources of bacteria include animals directly depositing into streams, manure applied to row crops, manure runoff from grazed land, non-permitted onsite wastewater systems, and natural sources such as wildlife.

#### Margin of Safety

An explicit margin of safety (MOS) of 10 percent is applied to the calculation of loading capacities in this TMDL. The loading capacity for each segment is set equal to the appropriate water quality criteria (less 10 percent) with the goal of achieving the criteria at the sampling location. As a result, TMDLs do not consider dilution to meet WQS nor do they consider bacteria die-off and settling, which occur. Consequently, bacteria TMDLs are conservative.

#### Departure from Load Capacity and Critical Conditions

The LDC, observed load, and observed load for each flow condition are plotted in Figure 6.4 through Figure 6.7. This methodology enables calculation of a TMDL target at the midpoint of each flow condition for each impaired segment, as provided in Table 6.5 through Table 6.8. Figures and Tables are provided for both the SSM and GM criteria.

The critical condition for each TMDL in each table is highlighted in yellow with the departure and percent reduction also in bold font. The critical condition is the flow requiring the largest percent reduction. Typically, high and low flow conditions are not considered when selecting the critical condition because these flows are extreme and do not represent typical conditions (EPA, 2006). However, for both segments in this section, the percent reduction for the wet to dry conditions is zero (0) in the GM TMDL scenario. Consequently, the critical condition is simply selected as the flow condition requiring the largest percent reduction.

#### Load Duration Curve

Figure 6.4 and Figure 6.6 shows the load duration for the impaired stream segment in this watershed. Table 6.5 through Table 6.8 are the existing load estimates and the TMDL summary for each impaired segment.

Even though, both segments are impaired for GM and SSM it was not possible to calculate an existing GM load that exceeded the GM target within any of the flow regimes in the LDC, based on the data used in this WQIP. Consequently, the SSM target is used as the TMDL target for both criteria. This is possible because the SSM is protective of the GM as described in the subheading, "Linkage Analysis" in Section 3.2.

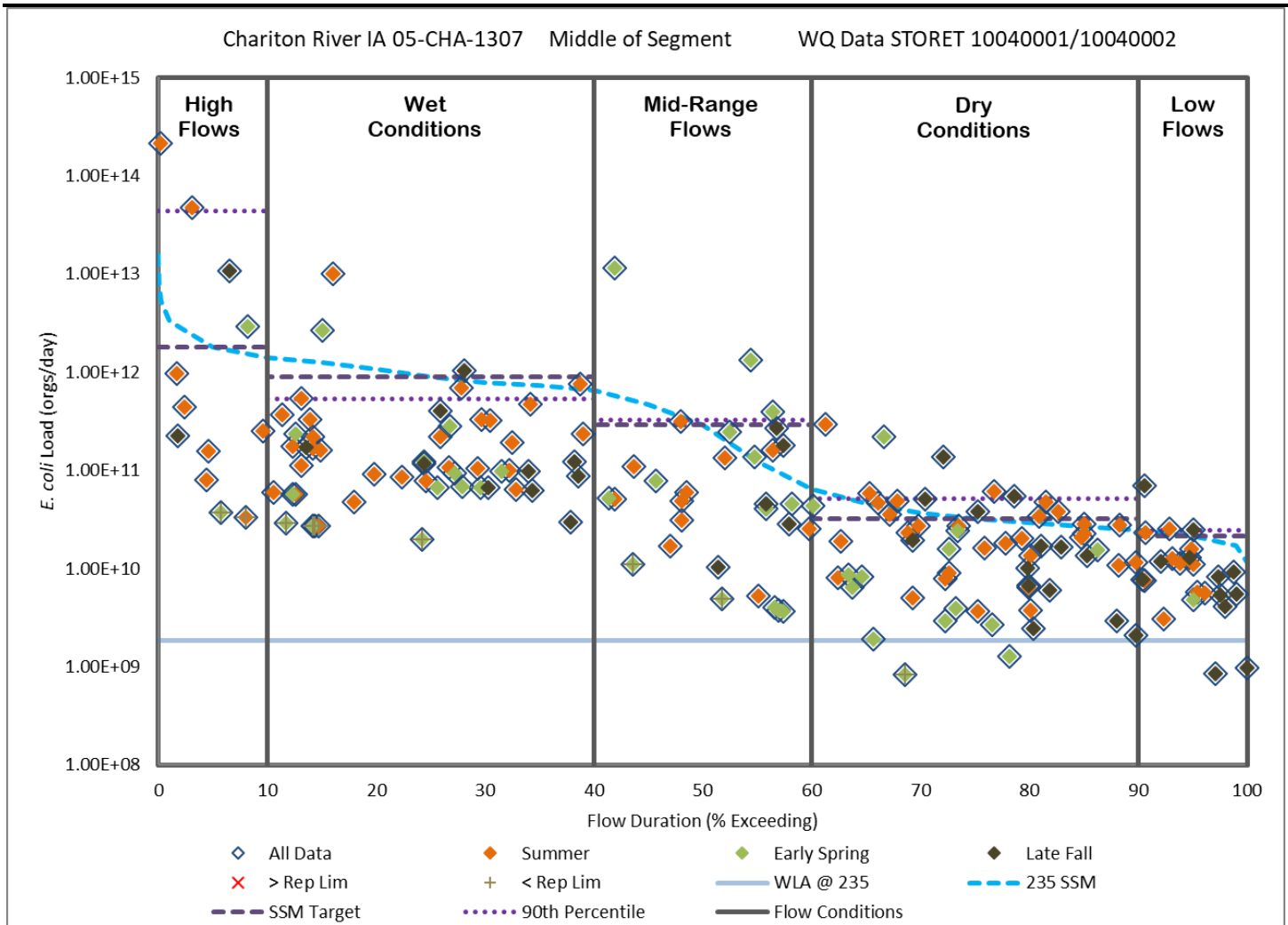


Figure 6.4. Load Duration Curve based on the SSM for IA 05-CHA-1307.

Table 6.5. Existing Load Estimates, Departures, and TMDLs Summary based on the SSM for IA 05-CHA-1307.

| Load Summary                         | Loads (orgs/day) |                  |                  |                  |                  |
|--------------------------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|
|                                      | High             | Wet              | Mid-Range        | Dry              | Low              |
| 90th Percentile                      | 4.38E+13         | 5.36E+11         | 3.22E+11         | 5.20E+10         | 2.45E+10         |
| Capacity @ 235<br>orgs/100 ml (TMDL) | 1.80E+12         | 8.86E+11         | 2.92E+11         | 3.21E+10         | 2.15E+10         |
| SSM Departure<br>(% Reduction)       | 4.20E+13<br>(96) | -3.50E+11<br>(0) | 3.08E+10<br>(10) | 1.99E+10<br>(38) | 2.93E+09<br>(12) |
| WLA                                  | 1.83E+09         | 1.83E+09         | 1.83E+09         | 1.83E+09         | 1.83E+09         |
| LA                                   | 1.62E+12         | 7.96E+11         | 2.61E+11         | 2.70E+10         | 1.75E+10         |
| MOS                                  | 1.80E+11         | 8.86E+10         | 2.92E+10         | 3.21E+09         | 2.15E+09         |
| Midpoint Flow (cfs)                  | 312.6            | 154.1            | 50.7             | 5.58             | 3.74             |

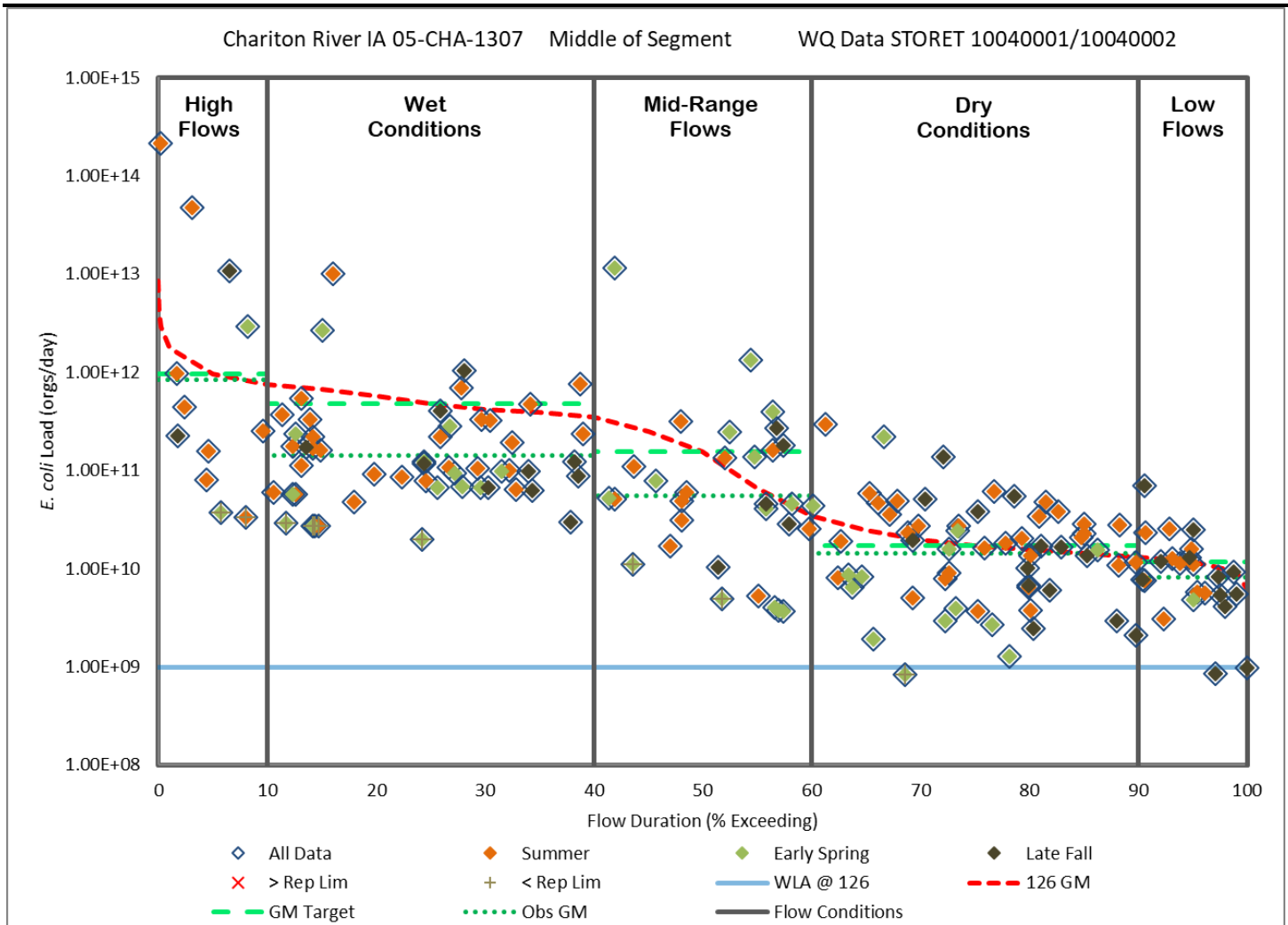


Figure 6.5. Load Duration Curve based on the GM for IA 05-CHA-1307.

Table 6.6. Existing Load Estimates, Departures, and TMDLs Summary based on the GM for IA 05-CHA-1307.

| Load Summary                         | Loads (orgs/day) |                  |                  |                  |                  |
|--------------------------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|
|                                      | High             | Wet              | Mid-Range        | Dry              | Low              |
| Geometric Mean                       | 8.37E+11         | 1.41E+11         | 5.55E+10         | 1.44E+10         | 8.09E+09         |
| Capacity @ 126<br>orgs/100 ml (TMDL) | 9.64E+11         | 4.75E+11         | 1.56E+11         | 1.72E+10         | 1.15E+10         |
| GM Departure<br>(% Reduction)        | -1.27E+11<br>(0) | -3.34E+11<br>(0) | -1.01E+11<br>(0) | -2.81E+09<br>(0) | -3.44E+09<br>(0) |
| WLA                                  | 9.83E+08         | 9.83E+08         | 9.83E+08         | 9.83E+08         | 9.83E+08         |
| LA                                   | 8.66E+11         | 4.27E+11         | 1.40E+11         | 1.45E+10         | 9.40E+09         |
| MOS                                  | 9.64E+10         | 4.75E+10         | 1.56E+10         | 1.72E+09         | 1.15E+09         |
| Midpoint Flow (cfs)                  | 312.6            | 154.1            | 50.7             | 5.6              | 3.74             |

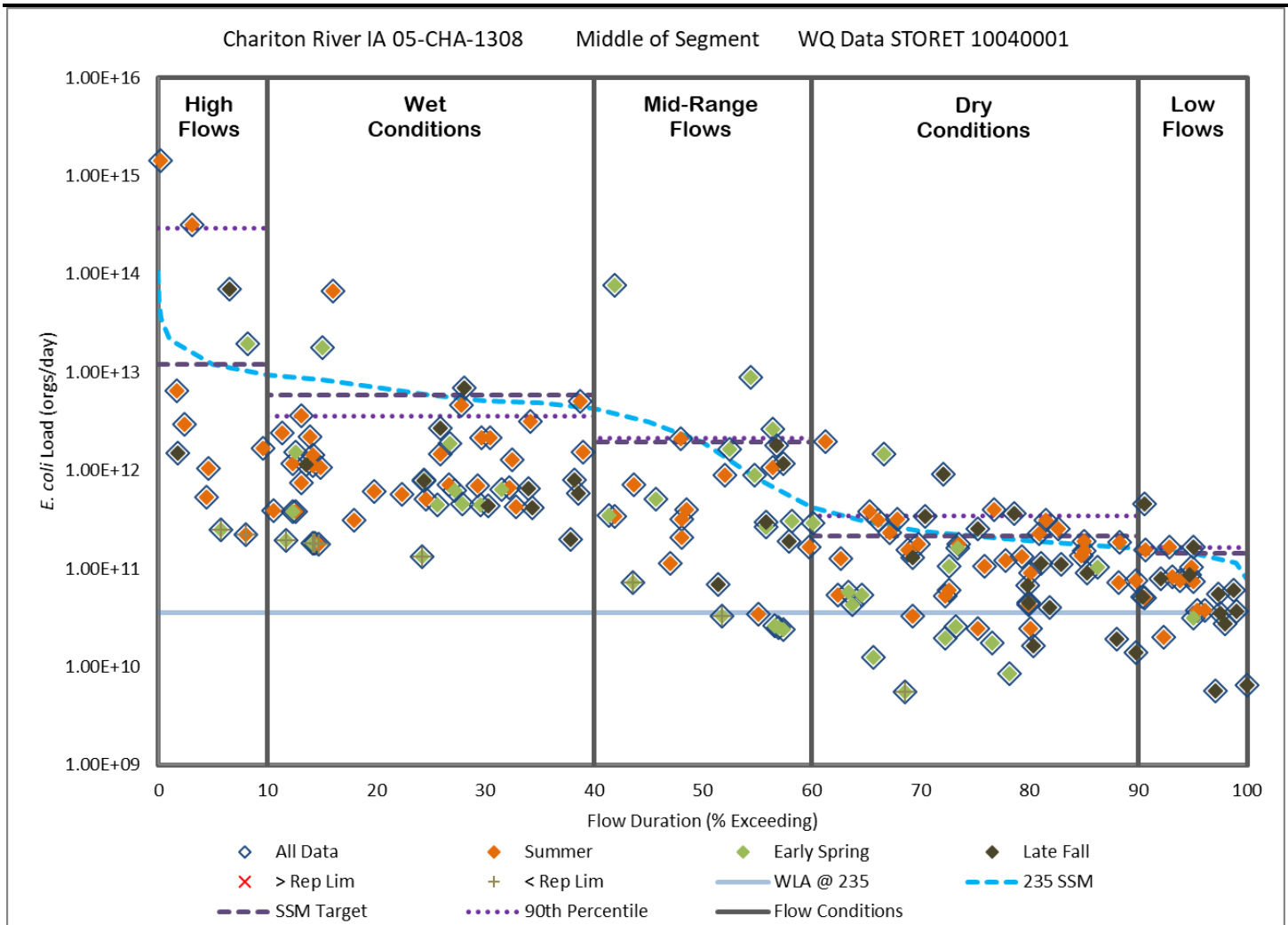


Figure 6.6. Load Duration Curve based on the SSM for IA 05-CHA-1308.

Table 6.7. Existing Load Estimates, Departures, and TMDLs Summary based on the SSM for IA 05-CHA-1308.

| Load Summary                         | Loads (orgs/day) |                  |                  |                          |                  |
|--------------------------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|--------------------------|------------------|
|                                      | High             | Wet              | Mid-Range        | Dry                      | Low              |
| 90th Percentile                      | 2.90E+14         | 3.55E+12         | 2.14E+12         | 3.44E+11                 | 1.62E+11         |
| Capacity @ 235<br>orgs/100 ml (TMDL) | 1.19E+13         | 5.87E+12         | 1.93E+12         | 2.13E+11                 | 1.43E+11         |
| SSM Departure<br>(% Reduction)       | 2.79E+14<br>(96) | -2.32E+12<br>(0) | 2.04E+11<br>(10) | <b>1.32E+11<br/>(38)</b> | 1.95E+10<br>(12) |
| WLA                                  | 3.57E+10         | 3.57E+10         | 3.57E+10         | 3.57E+10                 | 3.57E+10         |
| LA                                   | 1.07E+13         | 5.25E+12         | 1.70E+12         | 1.56E+11                 | 9.26E+10         |
| MOS                                  | 1.19E+12         | 5.87E+11         | 1.93E+11         | 2.13E+10                 | 1.43E+10         |
| Midpoint Flow (cfs)                  | 2,071.9          | 1,021.3          | 336.1            | 36.96                    | 24.80            |

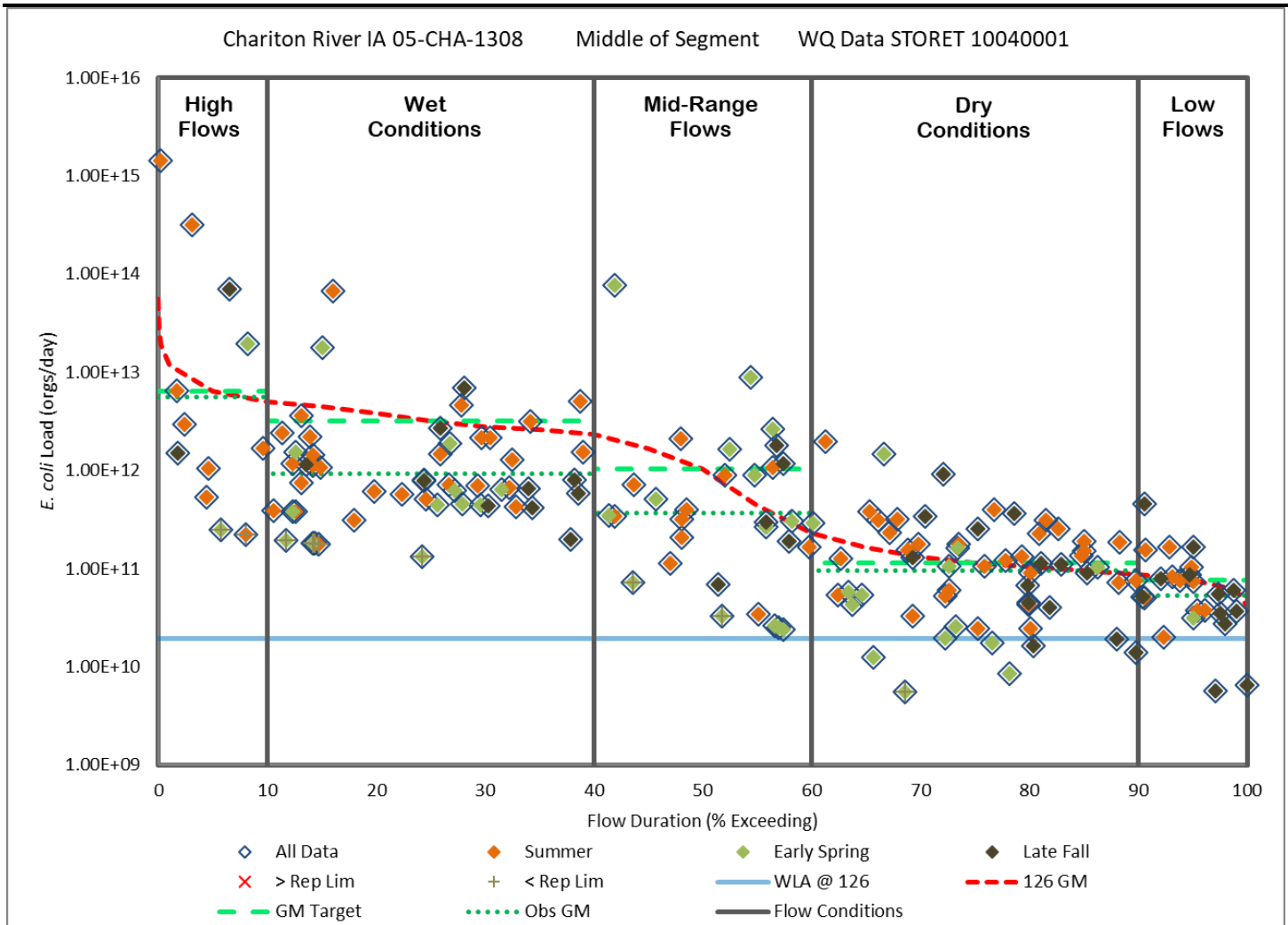


Figure 6.7. Load Duration Curve based on the GM for IA 05-CHA-1308.

Table 6.8. Existing Load Estimates, Departures, and TMDLs Summary based on the GM for IA 05-CHA-1308.

| Load Summary                         | Loads (orgs/day) |                  |                  |                  |                  |
|--------------------------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|
|                                      | High             | Wet              | Mid-Range        | Dry              | Low              |
| Geometric Mean                       | 5.55E+12         | 9.34E+11         | 3.68E+11         | 9.53E+10         | 5.36E+10         |
| Capacity @ 126<br>orgs/100 ml (TMDL) | 6.39E+12         | 3.15E+12         | 1.04E+12         | 1.14E+11         | 7.65E+10         |
| GM Departure<br>(% Reduction)        | -8.40E+11<br>(0) | -2.21E+12<br>(0) | -6.68E+11<br>(0) | -1.86E+10<br>(0) | -2.28E+10<br>(0) |
| WLA                                  | 1.92E+10         | 1.92E+10         | 1.92E+10         | 1.92E+10         | 1.92E+10         |
| LA                                   | 5.73E+12         | 2.81E+12         | 9.13E+11         | 8.34E+10         | 4.97E+10         |
| MOS                                  | 6.39E+11         | 3.15E+11         | 1.04E+11         | 1.14E+10         | 7.65E+09         |
| Midpoint Flow (cfs)                  | 2,071.9          | 1,021.3          | 336.1            | 37.0             | 24.80            |

### 6.4 TMDL Summary

The following equation represents the total maximum daily load (TMDL) and its components for the impaired segment of the Chariton River:

$$TMDL = LC = \sum WLA + \sum LA + MOS$$

Where: TMDL = total maximum daily load  
 LC = loading capacity  
 $\sum WLA$  = sum of wasteload allocations (point sources)  
 $\sum LA$  = sum of load allocations (nonpoint sources)  
 MOS = margin of safety (to account for uncertainty)

Once the loading capacity, wasteload allocations, load allocations, and margin of safety have all been determined, the general equation above can be expressed for each segment and flow condition for *E. coli* as the allowable maximum daily load (Table 6.9) as required by EPA (see Appendix F).

**Table 6.9. TMDL Summary by Flow Condition for the Chariton River.**

|  | Flow Condition | TMDL (cfu/day) | WLA (cfu/day) | LA (cfu/day) | MOS (cfu/day) |
|--|----------------|----------------|---------------|--------------|---------------|
| <b>Chariton River (IA 05-CHA-1307)</b> |                |                |               |              |               |
| SSM                                    | High Flow      | 1.80E+12       | 1.83E+09      | 1.62E+12     | 1.80E+11      |
|  | Wet            | 8.86E+11       | 1.83E+09      | 7.96E+11     | 8.86E+10      |
|  | Average        | 2.92E+11       | 1.83E+09      | 2.61E+11     | 2.92E+10      |
|  | Dry            | 3.21E+10       | 1.83E+09      | 2.70E+10     | 3.21E+09      |
|  | Low Flow       | 2.15E+10       | 1.83E+09      | 1.75E+10     | 2.15E+09      |
| GM                                     | High Flow      | 9.64E+11       | 9.83E+08      | 8.66E+11     | 9.64E+10      |
|  | Wet            | 4.75E+11       | 9.83E+08      | 4.27E+11     | 4.75E+10      |
|  | Average        | 1.56E+11       | 9.83E+08      | 1.40E+11     | 1.56E+10      |
|  | Dry            | 1.72E+10       | 9.83E+08      | 1.45E+10     | 1.72E+09      |
|  | Low Flow       | 1.15E+10       | 9.83E+08      | 9.40E+09     | 1.15E+09      |
| <b>Chariton River (IA 05-CHA-1308)</b> |                |                |               |              |               |
| SSM                                    | High Flow      | 1.19E+13       | 3.57E+10      | 1.07E+13     | 1.19E+12      |
|  | Wet            | 5.87E+12       | 3.57E+10      | 5.25E+12     | 5.87E+11      |
|  | Average        | 1.93E+12       | 3.57E+10      | 1.70E+12     | 1.93E+11      |
|  | Dry            | 2.13E+11       | 3.57E+10      | 1.56E+11     | 2.13E+10      |
|  | Low Flow       | 1.43E+11       | 3.57E+10      | 9.26E+10     | 1.43E+10      |
| GM                                     | High Flow      | 6.39E+12       | 1.92E+10      | 5.73E+12     | 6.39E+11      |
|  | Wet            | 3.15E+12       | 1.92E+10      | 2.81E+12     | 3.15E+11      |
|  | Average        | 1.04E+12       | 1.92E+10      | 9.13E+11     | 1.04E+11      |
|  | Dry            | 1.14E+11       | 1.92E+10      | 8.34E+10     | 1.14E+10      |
|  | Low Flow       | 7.65E+10       | 1.92E+10      | 4.97E+10     | 7.65E+09      |

## 7. Implementation Plan

An implementation plan is not a required component of a TMDL document but it is a useful and logical extension of TMDL development. It provides DNR staff, partners, and watershed stakeholders with a general idea of how a specific strategy and work plan can be developed. This strategy should guide stakeholders and the DNR in the development of a detailed and priority-based plan that implements best management practices, improves Upper Chariton River watershed water quality, and meets TMDL targets.

This water quality improvement plan sets targets for *E. coli* for the impaired segments of the Upper Chariton River watershed. Watershed stakeholders, including municipalities and agricultural interests, will need to participate in the implementation of bacteria controls and continuing evaluation to accomplish water quality improvement goals. It will take an ongoing effort to develop best management practices in the watershed through projects funded by a variety of water quality improvement programs.

As a start, it would be useful to create a local watershed advisory committee, where none exist, to help identify high priority areas where resources can be concentrated for the greatest effect. This would facilitate the organization and provide direction for monitoring specific stream sites to identify significant pollutant sources and to plan water quality improvement activities.

### 7.1 General Approach & Reasonable Timeline

Collaboration and action by watershed residents, landowners, producers, business owners, and local agencies will be required to improve water quality in the Upper Chariton River watershed to support designated uses. Locally-driven efforts have proven to be the most successful in obtaining real and significant water quality improvements. Each group has a stake in promoting awareness and educating others about the Upper Chariton River watershed, working together to adopt a comprehensive watershed improvement plan, and applying BMPs and land practice changes in the watershed. This large and diverse group of stakeholders provides the opportunity for an effective network of partnerships to be built.

#### *General Approach*

The existing loads, loading targets and allocations, and a general menu of potential BMPs needed to improve water quality are provided in this Water Quality Improvement Plan (WQIP). The TMDL must be followed by the development of a locally-led watershed management planning process. The watershed plan should include:

- A more comprehensive and detailed assessment of potential nonpoint pollutant sources that shows the source location, magnitude, and relative impact based on proximity to streams and runoff controls in place.
- Continued monitoring to better understand and document bacteria sources.
- Application of watershed and water quality models to provide information on which best management practices will have the most impact and where they can be most effectively deployed.
- Assessment of water quality trends.
- Assessment of water quality standards (WQS) attainment.

A phased approach to improving water quality is recommended for the Upper Chariton River watershed. Sources of bacteria, both large and small, must be reduced. However, the largest and most identifiable sources of bacteria should be given highest priority and addressed first. Less significant and/or less understood sources can be addressed later as funding allows and new monitoring data increases stakeholder understanding of their impacts to water quality.

#### *Timeline*

Development of a comprehensive watershed management plan may take one to two years from the completion of the WQIP. Implementation of BMPs could take five to ten years, depending on funding, willingness of stakeholder participation, and time needed for design and construction of structural BMPs. Realization and documentation of water quality benefits may take an additional five to ten years, depending on weather patterns, amount of water quality data collected, and the successful location, design, construction, and maintenance of BMPs. Utilization of the monitoring plan outlined in Section 8 should begin as soon as possible to help identify undocumented bacteria sources and establish a



baseline. Monitoring should continue throughout implementation of BMPs and beyond to document water quality improvement.

## 7.2 Best Management Practices

This section provides a general summary of BMPs applicable to bacteria reduction. It is not an all-inclusive list, and further investigation (during development of the watershed management plan) may suggest that some alternatives should be implemented in favor of others. An important task in development of the watershed management plan will be to identify additional water quality improvement BMPs (both structural and non-structural), as well as prioritize, locate, and schedule implementation of BMPs.

There are two general strategies for reducing pollutant loads: source control and in-drainage reduction. Source control strategies are usually non-structural practices related to the management of runoff or production and application of pollutants (e.g., manure, fertilizer, industrial products). As the name implies, source control strategies focus on stopping or reducing the pollution at its source. Examples of source control strategies for bacteria reduction are listed in Table 7.1.

**Table 7.1. Example Source Control Strategies (BMPs).**

| Strategy/BMP                                | Examples  |
|---|---|
| Livestock manure management                 | Storage and/or treatment facilities, disposal   |
| Manure management                           | Manure storage and strategic application (location, timing, and methods).                 |
| Pasture management                          | Elimination of stream access, grazing rotation  |
| Septic system improvements                  | Inspection/repair/replacement   |
| Wildlife management activities              | Population control (particularly for geese)   |
| Highway/roadway cleanup                     | Street sweeping, road kill pickup programs  |
| Pet waste management                        | Educational programs, local ordinances  |
| Low impact development (LID) <sup>(1)</sup> | LID ordinances/practices for new development  |
| Runoff reduction <sup>(1)</sup>             | Disconnection of impervious areas using rain barrels, porous pavement, rain gardens, etc. |

(1) Some LID and runoff reduction strategies could be considered either source control or in-line drainage reduction.

In-drainage reduction strategies usually involve the use of structural BMPs to eliminate or reduce pollutants by intercepting and/or treating them within the drainage system using physical, chemical, or biological processes. Examples of in-drainage BMPs are provided in Table 7.2, along with their respective removal mechanisms.

**Table 7.2. Example In-Drainage Strategies (BMPs).**

| Strategy/BMP  | Removal Mechanism(s) <sup>(1)</sup>                     |
|---|---|
| Constructed wetlands                                    | UV exposure, settling, predation                        |
| Wet detention ponds                                     | UV exposure, settling, predation                        |
| Dry detention basin                                     | UV exposure, settling, drying                           |
| Vegetated filter strips                                 | Filtration, infiltration                                |
| Riparian buffers  | Exclusion from stream, filtration, infiltration         |
| Sand filters  | Filtration  |
| Infiltration trenches                                   | Infiltration  |
| Bioswales/bioretenion                                   | UV exposure, settling, infiltration, drying             |
| Proprietary stormwater treatment systems <sup>(2)</sup> | Varies with device - usually settling and/or filtration |

(1) Modified from North Carolina Cooperative Extension Service, 2008.

(2) Examples include hydrodynamic devices, gravity separators, and catch basin inserts.

Estimated bacteria removal efficiencies associated with the various source control BMPs are provided in Table 7.3.

Table 7.4 lists removal rates associated with in-drainage BMPs. Note that these rates are highly variable. Rates listed in Table 7.3 and Table 7.4 assume that the BMP is properly designed, implemented, and maintained. Additionally, these rates apply only to the specific source of bacteria they treat, not the overall reduction. These removal rates must be applied with caution on a case-by-case basis to avoid overestimating potential water quality improvements.

Because of the large reductions required for attainment of WQS in Upper Chariton River watershed and the highly variable nature of observed concentrations and removal, a combination of source control and in-drainage BMPs will be necessary. Additionally, many in-drainage BMPs function better when multiple systems are implemented in series. For example, grass bioswales may convey runoff to a vegetated filter strip before flows reach a constructed wetland. This type of treatment train approach offers the advantage of multiple removal mechanisms and built in redundancy to increase the reliability of bacteria reduction. The watershed management plan developed for the Upper Chariton River watershed should consider the use of treatment train approaches wherever possible.

**Table 7.3. Source Control BMPs and Estimated Bacteria Removal Rates.**

| BMP                                 | Removal (%)             | Additional Comments  |
|-------------------------------------|-------------------------|--|
| Manure injection                    | Up to 90 <sup>(1)</sup> | Removal will vary with injection method, application rates, land slope, weather, and other variables. Injection can offer up to 90% reduction in bacteria transport when compared to surface application.  |
| Manure export/disposal              | Up to 100               | Removing manure from the watershed would provide a 100% reduction from this source. However, if manure application is increased elsewhere, impacts to that watershed must be investigated.   |
| Exclusion of livestock from streams | Up to 100               | The removal associated with this practice is proportional to the percent of livestock that are excluded. If all livestock are excluded from streams at all times, then bacteria reduction from this source would be 100%.  |
| Septic system improvements          | Up to 100               | Repair/replacement of all failing systems provides 100% reduction. Watershed wide removal rate would be proportional to the percent of failing systems fixed.  |
| Wildlife management                 | Varies                  | If there are known areas of waterfowl populations (e.g., stormwater ponds), management of geese populations would provide some bacteria reductions. Removal rates would be proportional to population reduction.   |
| Street sweeping                     | Up to 22 <sup>(1)</sup> | Published literature contains conflicting information regarding potential bacteria reduction from street sweeping. This BMP should not be relied upon as a key part of the implementation strategy, but may help reduce bacteria loads in highly pervious urban areas. |
| Pet waste management                | Up to 75 <sup>(1)</sup> | Includes information and education programs regarding the importance of picking up after your pets. Could include the adoption of local ordinances.  |
| LID and runoff reduction BMPs       | Varies                  | Proportional to the amount of runoff reduction obtained. Some LID and runoff reduction measures are included as in-drainage BMPs in Table 7.4.   |

(1) Source: VDEQ et al., 2009

**Table 7.4. In-Drainage BMPs and Estimated Bacteria Removal Rates.**

| <b>BMP</b>                        | <b>Removal (%)</b>         | <b>Additional Comments</b>   |
|-----------------------------------|----------------------------|--|
| Constructed wetlands              | 78-99 <sup>(2)(3)</sup>    | Wetlands could act as a source if not properly designed or maintained, including management of potential waterfowl populations.  |
| Wet detention ponds               | 44-99 <sup>(2)(3)</sup>    | Ponds could act as a source if not properly designed or maintained, including management of potential waterfowl populations.   |
| Dry detention basins              | Varies <sup>(2)(3)</sup>   | Dry detention basins often act as a net source of bacteria and should not be considered reliable as stand-alone systems.   |
| Vegetated filter strips           | 43-57 <sup>(2)</sup>       | Vegetated filter strips are flat or very gently sloped segments of land intended to “treat” inflows to the stream. Filter strips should be distinguished from riparian buffers, which offer less removal potential.  |
| Riparian buffers                  | Up to 40 <sup>(1)</sup>    | The primary benefits of buffers are to “buffer” the stream from nearby land uses and activities, as the name suggests. Actual removal rates depend on the width of the buffer and the type and density of vegetation, as well as the portion of runoff that the buffer intercepts. |
| Sand filters                      | 36-83 <sup>(2)</sup>       | Generally designed as part of the stormwater infrastructure to capture and treat the first flush of runoff from impervious surfaces.   |
| Bioswales and bioretention        | 69-99 <sup>(1)(2)(3)</sup> | Includes rain gardens. Should be used with caution or avoided in areas where possible groundwater contamination is a concern.  |
| Pervious concrete; porous asphalt | 30-65 <sup>(4)</sup>       | Requires careful design and construction and is only feasible in areas with adequate soil infiltration rates (at least 0.5 inches/hour).   |
| Permeable pavers                  | 65-100 <sup>(4)</sup>      | Similar to pervious concrete and porous asphalt. Utilizes pre-cast permeable blocks to infiltrate water. Adequate soil infiltration rates required.  |
| Hydrodynamic devices              | <30 <sup>(4)</sup>         | Type of proprietary stormwater treatment system.   |
| Gravity separators                | <30 <sup>(4)</sup>         | Type of proprietary stormwater treatment system.   |
| Coagulation and/or flocculation   | 65-100 <sup>(4)</sup>      | Chemical treatment of stormwater. Usually implemented in conjunction with a stormwater pond. Offers high removal, but addition of coagulation/flocculation chemicals such as alum is required.   |

(1) Source: VDEQ et al., 2009

(2) Source: EPA, 2004

(3) Source: North Carolina Cooperative Extension Service, 2008

(4) Source: Iowa Stormwater Management Manual

## 8. Future Monitoring

Water quality monitoring is a critical element in assessing the current status of water resources and the historical trends. Furthermore, monitoring is necessary to track the effectiveness of water quality improvements made in the watershed and document the status of the waterbody in terms of achieving total maximum daily loads and water quality standards (WQS).

Future monitoring in the Upper Chariton River watershed can be agency-led, volunteer-based, or a combination of both. The Iowa Department of Natural Resources (DNR) Watershed Monitoring and Assessment Section administers a water quality monitoring program that provides training to interested volunteers. In January 2016, the DNR discontinued the IOWATER volunteer water monitoring program. However, volunteer water monitoring is still available. For those interested, more information can be found at the program website: <http://www.iowadnr.gov/Environmental-Protection/Water-Quality/Water-Monitoring/Volunteer-Water-Monitoring>.

It is important that volunteer-based monitoring efforts include an approved water quality monitoring plan, called a Quality Assurance Project Plan (QAPP), in accordance with Iowa Administrative Code (IAC) 567-61.10(455B) through 567-61.13(455B). The IAC can be viewed here: <https://www.legis.iowa.gov/docs/iac/chapter/11-23-2016.567.61.pdf>. Failure to prepare an approved QAPP will prevent data from being used to assess a waterbody's status on the state's 303(d) list - the list that assesses waterbodies and their designated uses as impaired.

Some of the monitoring projects that provided the data used to create this report are expected to be ongoing. Monitoring of Upper Chariton River watershed bacteria are expected to continue at the ISU/ACOE sites identified in this report. Data collected at all of these sites will continue to be used by the DNR for its biannual water quality assessments (305(b) report) of the Upper Chariton River watershed.

### 8.1 Monitoring Plan to Track TMDL Effectiveness

Given current resources and funding, future water quality data collection in the Upper Chariton River watershed to assess water quality trends and compliance with WQS will be limited. Unless there is local interest in collecting additional water quality data, it will be difficult to implement a watershed management plan and document TMDL effectiveness and water quality improvement with respect to bacteria.

As noted in the implementation plan, follow-up to this report requires stakeholder driven solutions and more effective management practices. Continued monitoring plays an important role in determining what practices result in load reductions and the attainment of WQS. Continued monitoring will:

- Assess the future beneficial use status;
- Determine if water quality is improving, getting worse, or staying the same;
- Evaluate the effectiveness of implemented best management practices.

Table 8.1 is an example monitoring plan.

**Table 8.1. Example Monitoring Plan for Individual Segments.**

| Parameter(s)                                   | Sampling Interval | Sampling Duration   | Purpose   |
|--|-------------------|---|---|
| <i>E. coli</i> and flow                        | Weekly snapshot   | Throughout recreation season (ongoing)  | Evaluate ambient conditions                     |
| Microbial source tracking (MST)                | Snapshot          | At least two sampling events within recreation season. Consider one during high flow and one during low flow. | Determine the source(s) of <i>E. coli</i>       |
| <i>E. coli</i> and flow (event sampling)       | 15-60 minutes     | Throughout rising and falling limbs of hydrograph during at least two runoff events within recreation season. | Evaluate the importance of high flow conditions |
| <i>E. coli</i> and flow (dry weather sampling) | Snapshot          | At least twice during low flow conditions within recreation season.   | Evaluate the importance of low flow conditions  |

## 8.2 Idealized Plan for Future Watershed Projects

Future watershed improvement projects should be developed and implemented to help restore and protect water quality. If the watershed project is funded with incremental Clean Water Act Section 319 funds, the EPA requires that nine elements be addressed in the watershed plan and recommends that these nine elements be included in all other watershed plans funded through other sources (EPA, 2008). A summary of the nine elements follows. For a more detailed discussion of these elements see EPA, 2008.

1. Identification of causes of impairment and pollutant sources or groups of similar sources that need to be controlled to achieve needed load reductions, and any other goals identified in the watershed plan.
2. An estimate of the load reductions expected from management measures.
3. A description of the nonpoint source management measures that will need to be implemented to achieve load reductions in item 2, and a description of the critical areas in which those measures will be needed to implement this plan.
4. Estimate of the amounts of technical and financial assistance needed, associated costs, and/or the sources and authorities that will be relied upon to implement this plan.
5. An information and education component used to enhance public understanding of the project and encourage their early and continued participation in selecting, designing, and implementing the nonpoint source management measures that will be implemented.
6. Schedule for implementing the nonpoint source management measures identified in this plan that is reasonably expeditious.
7. A description of interim measurable milestones for determining whether nonpoint source management measures or other control actions are being implemented.
8. A set of criteria that can be used to determine whether loading reductions are being achieved over time and substantial progress is being made toward attaining water quality standards.
9. A monitoring component to evaluate the effectiveness of the implementation efforts over time, measured against the criteria established under item 8 immediately above.

Other elements that could be included in a watershed plan include, but not limited to the following:

- Complete a Use Attainability Assessment (UAA) on streams that have not been assessed. The UAA is used to determine what uses each stream can support and will help in prioritizing the streams to focus on.
- Evaluate and determine gaps in data and collecting additional data where necessary. This could include determining the location of sampling points; frequency of sampling; determining groups or individuals responsible for sampling, this could be private groups, federal, state, or local governmental agencies.
- Community education and involvement. While this was mentioned as one of the nine minimum elements it cannot be overstressed the importance to obtain local involvement.
- Review of funding availability and funding sources.
- Determination of the size or scope of the watershed plan. This report reviewed the impaired streams based on HUC-8 watershed. However, this is too large for local and community involvement. Planning should be based on a HUC-12 watershed or smaller.
- Determine the source of the impairment, point or nonpoint.
- Determine potential BMP's for reducing and eliminating the impairment and modeling the BMP's to identify the most efficient placement.

## **9. Public Participation**

Public involvement is important in the TMDL process since it is the land owners, tenants, and citizens who directly manage land and live in the watershed that determine the water quality in the Upper Chariton River watershed. During the development of this TMDL, efforts were made to ensure that local stakeholders were involved in the decision-making process regarding goals and required actions for improving water quality in the Upper Chariton River watershed.

### **9.1 Public Meetings**

#### *Public Presentations*

A virtual presentation was posted on the DNR's YouTube channel for public viewing on July 20, 2023. A link to the presentation can be located on the DNR's website at <https://www.iowadnr.gov/environmental-protection/water-quality/watershed-improvement/water-improvement-plans>. The presentation will be available for viewing through the public comment period.

### **9.2 Written Comments**

A press release was issued in tandem with the posting of the presentation to the DNR's YouTube channel on July 20, 2023 to begin the 30-day public comment period which ends on August 21, 2023. All comments received by the DNR during the 30-day public comment period will be included in Appendix F.

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## Appendix A - Glossary of Terms, Abbreviations, and Acronyms

- 303(d) list:** Refers to section 303(d) of the Federal Clean Water Act, which requires a listing of all public surface waterbodies (creeks, rivers, wetlands, and lakes) that do not support their general and/or designated uses, also called the state's "Impaired Waters List."
- 305(b) assessment:** Refers to section 305(b) of the Federal Clean Water Act, it is a comprehensive assessment of the state's public waterbodies' ability to support their general and designated uses. Those bodies of water which are found to be not supporting their uses are placed on the 303(d) list.
- 319:** Refers to Section 319 of the Federal Clean Water Act, the Nonpoint Source Management Program. Under this amendment, States receive grant money from EPA to provide technical & financial assistance, education, & monitoring to implement local nonpoint source water quality projects.
- AFO:** Animal Feeding Operation. A lot, yard, corral, building, or other area in which animals are confined and fed and maintained for 45 days or more in any 12-month period, and all structures used for the storage of manure from animals in the operation. Open feedlots and confinement feeding operations are considered to be separate animal feeding operations.
- AU:** Animal Unit. A unit of measure used to compare manure production between animal types or varying sizes of the same animal. For example, one 1,000 pound steer constitutes one AU, while one mature hog weighing 200 pounds constitutes 0.2 AU.
- Benthic:** Associated with or located at the bottom (in this context, "bottom" refers to the bottom of streams, lakes, or wetlands). Usually refers to algae or other aquatic organisms that reside at the bottom of a wetland, lake, or stream (see periphyton).
- Benthic macroinvertebrates:** Animals larger than 0.5 mm that do not have backbones. These animals live on rocks, logs, sediment, debris and aquatic plants during some period in their life. They include crayfish, mussels, snails, aquatic worms, and the immature forms of aquatic insects such as stonefly and mayfly nymphs.
- Base flow:** Sustained flow of a stream in the absence of direct runoff. It can include natural and human-induced stream flows. Natural base flow is sustained largely by groundwater discharges.
- Biological impairment:** A stream segment is classified as biologically impaired if one or more of the following occurs, the FBI and or BMIBI scores fall below biological reference conditions, a fish kill has occurred on the segment, or the segment has seen a > 50% reduction in mussel species.
- Biological reference condition:** Biological reference sites represent the least disturbed (i.e. most natural) streams in the ecoregion. The biological data from these sites are used to derive least impacted BMIBI and FBI scores for each ecoregion. These scores are used to develop Biological Impairment Criteria (BIC) scores for each ecoregion. The BIC is used to determine the impairment status for other stream segments within an ecoregion.
- BMIBI:** Benthic Macroinvertebrate Index of Biotic Integrity. An index-based scoring method for assessing the biological health of streams and rivers (scale of 0-100) based on characteristics of bottom-dwelling invertebrates.
- BMP:** Best Management Practice. A general term for any structural or upland soil or water conservation practice. For example, terraces, grass waterways, sediment retention ponds, reduced tillage systems, etc.



- CAFO:** Concentrated Animal Feeding Operation. A federal term defined as any animal feeding operation (AFO) with more than 1000 animal units confined on site, or an AFO of any size that discharges pollutants (e.g. manure, wastewater) into any ditch, stream, or other water conveyance system, whether man-made or natural.
- CBOD5:** 5-day Carbonaceous Biochemical Oxygen Demand. Measures the amount of oxygen used by microorganisms to oxidize hydrocarbons in a sample of water at a temperature of 20°C and over an elapsed period of five days in the dark.
- CFU:** A Colony Forming Unit is a cell or cluster of cells capable of multiplying to form a colony of cells. Used as a unit of bacteria concentration when a traditional membrane filter method of analysis is used. Though not necessarily equivalent to most probably number (MPN), the two terms are often used interchangeably.
- Confinement feeding operation:** An animal feeding operation (AFO) in which animals are confined to areas which are totally roofed.
- Credible data law:** Refers to 455B.193 of the Iowa Administrative Code, which ensures that water quality data used for all purposes of the Federal Clean Water Act are sufficiently up-to-date and accurate. To be considered “credible,” data must be collected and analyzed using methods and protocols outlined in an approved Quality Assurance Project Plan (QAPP).
- Cyanobacteria (blue-green algae):** Members of the phytoplankton community that are not true algae but are capable of photosynthesis. Some species produce toxic substances that can be harmful to humans and pets.
- Designated use(s):** Refer to the type of economic, social, or ecological activities that a specific waterbody is intended to support. See Appendix B for a description of all general and designated uses.
- DNR (or Iowa DNR):** Iowa Department of Natural Resources.
- Ecoregion:** Areas of general similarity in ecosystems and in the type, quality, and quantity of environmental resources based on geology, vegetation, climate, soils, land use, wildlife, and hydrology.
- EPA (or USEPA):** United States Environmental Protection Agency.
- Ephemeral gully erosion:** Ephemeral gullies occur where runoff from adjacent slopes forms concentrated flow in drainage ways. Ephemerals are void of vegetation and occur in the same location every year. They are crossable with farm equipment and are often partially filled in by tillage.
- FIBI:** Fish Index of Biotic Integrity. An index-based scoring method for assessing the biological health of streams and rivers (scale of 0-100) based on characteristics of fish species.
- FSA:** Farm Service Agency (United States Department of Agriculture). Federal agency responsible for implementing farm policy, commodity, and conservation programs.
- General use(s):** Refer to narrative water quality criteria that all public waterbodies must meet to satisfy public needs and expectations. See Appendix B for a description of all general and designated uses.
- Geometric Mean (GM):** A statistic that is a type of mean or average (different from arithmetic mean or average) that measures central tendency of data. It is often used to summarize highly skewed data or data with extreme values such as wastewater discharges and bacteria concentrations in surface waters. In Iowa’s

water quality standards and assessment procedures, the geometric mean criterion for *E. coli* is measured using at least five samples collected over a 30-day period.

- GIS:** Geographic Information System(s). A collection of map-based data and tools for creating, managing, and analyzing spatial information.
- Groundwater:** Subsurface water that occurs beneath the water table in soils and geologic formations that are fully saturated.
- Gully erosion:** Soil movement (loss) that occurs in defined upland channels and ravines that are typically too wide and deep to fill in with traditional tillage methods.
- HEL:** Highly Erodible Land. Defined by the USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS), it is land, which has the potential for long-term annual soil losses to exceed the tolerable amount by eight times for a given agricultural field.
- IDALS:** Iowa Department of Agriculture and Land Stewardship
- Integrated report:** Refers to a comprehensive document that combines the 305(b) assessment with the 303(d) list, as well as narratives and discussion of overall water quality trends in the state's public waterbodies. The Iowa Department of Natural Resources submits an integrated report to the EPA biennially in even numbered years.
- LA:** Load Allocation. The portion of the loading capacity attributed to (1) the existing or future nonpoint sources of pollution and (2) natural background sources. Wherever possible, nonpoint source loads and natural loads should be distinguished. (The total pollutant load is the sum of the wasteload and load allocations.)
- LiDAR:** Light Detection and Ranging. Remote sensing technology that uses laser scanning to collect height or elevation data for the earth's surface.
- Load:** The total amount of pollutants entering a waterbody from one or multiple sources, measured as a rate, as in weight per unit time or per unit area.
- Macrophyte:** An aquatic plant that is large enough to be seen with the naked eye and grows either in or near water. It can be floating, completely submerged (underwater), or partially submerged.
- MOS:** Margin of Safety. A required component of the TMDL that accounts for the uncertainty in the response of the water quality of a waterbody to pollutant loads.
- MPN:** Most Probable Number. Used as a unit of bacteria concentration when a more rapid method of analysis (such as Colisure or Colilert) is utilized. Though not necessarily equivalent to colony forming units (CFU), the two terms are often used interchangeably.
- MS4:** Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System. A conveyance or system of conveyances (including roads with drainage systems, municipal streets, catch basins, curbs, gutters, ditches, man-made channels, or storm drains) owned and operated by a state, city, town, borough, county, parish, district, association, or other public body (created by or pursuant to state law) having jurisdiction over disposal of sewage, industrial wastes, stormwater, or other wastes, including special districts under state law such as a sewer district, flood control district or drainage district, or similar entity, or an Indian tribe or an authorized Indian tribal organization, or a designated and approved management agency under section 208 of the Clean Water Act (CWA) that discharges to waters of the United States.

- Nonpoint source pollution:** Pollution that is not released through pipes but rather originates from multiple sources over a relatively large area. Nonpoint sources can be divided into source activities related either to land or water use including failing septic tanks, improper animal-keeping practices, forestry practices, and urban and rural runoff.
- NPDES:** National Pollution Discharge Elimination System. The national program for issuing, modifying, revoking and reissuing, terminating, monitoring, and enforcing permits, and imposing and enforcing pretreatment requirements, under Section 307, 402, 318, and 405 of the Clean Water Act. Facilities subjected to NPDES permitting regulations include operations such as municipal wastewater treatment plants and industrial waste treatment facilities, as well as some MS4s.
- NRCS:** Natural Resources Conservation Service (United States Department of Agriculture). Federal agency that provides technical assistance for the conservation and enhancement of natural resources.
- Open feedlot:** An unroofed or partially roofed animal feeding operation (AFO) in which no crop, vegetation, or forage growth or residue cover is maintained during the period that animals are confined in the operation.
- Periphyton:** Algae that are attached to substrates (rocks, sediment, wood, and other living organisms). Are often located at the bottom of a wetland, lake, or stream.
- Phytoplankton:** Collective term for all photosynthetic organisms suspended in the water column. Includes many types of algae and cyanobacteria.
- Point source pollution:** Pollutant loads discharged at a specific location from pipes, outfalls, and conveyance channels from either municipal wastewater treatment plants or industrial waste treatment facilities. Point sources are generally regulated by a federal NPDES permit.
- Pollutant:** As defined in Clean Water Act section 502(6), a pollutant means dredged spoil, solid waste, incinerator residue, sewage, garbage, sewage sludge, munitions, chemical wastes, biological materials, heat, wrecked or discarded equipment, rock, sand, cellar dirt, and industrial, municipal, and agricultural waste discharged into water.
- Pollution:** The man-made or man-induced alteration of the chemical, physical, biological, and/or radiological integrity of water.
- PPB:** Parts per Billion. A measure of concentration that is the same as micrograms per liter ( $\mu\text{g/L}$ ).
- PPM:** Parts per Million. A measure of concentration that is the same as milligrams per liter ( $\text{mg/L}$ ).
- RASCAL:** Rapid Assessment of Stream Conditions Along Length. RASCAL is a global positioning system (GPS) based assessment procedure designed to provide continuous stream and riparian condition data at a watershed scale.
- Riparian:** Refers to areas near the banks of natural courses of water. Features of riparian areas include specific physical, chemical, and biological characteristics that differ from upland (dry) sites. Usually refers to the area near a bank of a stream or river.
- RUSLE:** Revised Universal Soil Loss Equation. An empirical model for estimating long term, average annual soil losses due to sheet and rill erosion.
- Scientific notation:** See explanation on page 107.

- Secchi disk:** A device used to measure transparency in waterbodies. The greater the Secchi depth (typically measured in meters), the more transparent the water.
- Sediment delivery ratio:** A value, expressed as a percent, which is used to describe the fraction of gross soil erosion that is delivered to the waterbody of concern.
- Seston:** All particulate matter (organic and inorganic) suspended in the water column.
- SHL:** State Hygienic Laboratory (University of Iowa). Provides physical, biological, and chemical sampling for water quality purposes in support of beach monitoring, ambient monitoring, biological reference monitoring, and impaired water assessments.
- Sheet & rill erosion:** Sheet and rill erosion is the detachment and removal of soil from the land surface by raindrop impact, and/or overland runoff. It occurs on slopes with overland flow and where runoff is not concentrated.
- Single-Sample Maximum (SSM):** A water quality standard criterion used to quantify *E. coli* levels. The single-sample maximum is the maximum allowable concentration measured at a specific point in time in a waterbody.
- SI:** Stressor Identification. A process by which the specific cause(s) of a biological impairment to a waterbody can be determined from cause-and-effect relationships.
- Storm flow (or stormwater):** The discharge (flow) from surface runoff generated by a precipitation event. *Stormwater* generally refers to runoff that is routed through some artificial channel or structure, often in urban areas.
- STP:** Sewage Treatment Plant. General term for a facility that treats municipal sewage prior to discharge to a waterbody according to the conditions of an NPDES permit.
- SWCD:** Soil and Water Conservation District. Agency that provides local assistance for soil conservation and water quality project implementation, with support from the Iowa Department of Agriculture and Land Stewardship.
- TDS:** Total Dissolved Solids: The quantitative measure of matter (organic and inorganic material) dissolved, rather than suspended, in the water column. TDS is analyzed in a laboratory and quantifies the material passing through a filter and dried at 180 degrees Celsius.
- TMDL:** Total Maximum Daily Load. As required by the Federal Clean Water Act, a comprehensive analysis and quantification of the maximum amount of a particular pollutant that a waterbody can tolerate while still meeting its general and designated uses. A TMDL is mathematically defined as the sum of all individual wasteload allocations (WLAs), load allocations (LAs), and a margin of safety (MOS).
- Trophic state:** The level of ecosystem productivity, typically measured in terms of algal biomass.
- TSI (or Carlson's TSI):** Trophic State Index. A standardized scoring system developed by Carlson (1977) that places trophic state on an exponential scale of Secchi depth, chlorophyll, and total phosphorus. TSI ranges between 0 and 100, with 10 scale units representing a doubling of algal biomass.

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| <b>TSS:</b>         | Total Suspended Solids. The quantitative measure of matter (organic and inorganic material) suspended, rather than dissolved, in the water column. TSS is analyzed in a laboratory and quantifies the material retained by a filter and dried at 103 to 105 degrees Celsius.     |
| <b>Turbidity:</b>   | A term used to indicate water transparency (or lack thereof). Turbidity is the degree to which light is scattered or absorbed by a fluid. In practical terms, highly turbid waters have a high degree of cloudiness or murkiness caused by suspended particles.                  |
| <b>UAA:</b>         | Use Attainability Analysis. A protocol used to determine which (if any) designated uses apply to a particular waterbody. (See Appendix B for a description of all general and designated uses.)  |
| <b>USDA:</b>        | United States Department of Agriculture  |
| <b>USGS:</b>        | United States Geologic Survey (United States Department of the Interior). Federal agency responsible for implementation and maintenance of discharge (flow) gauging stations on the nation's waterbodies.  |
| <b>Watershed:</b>   | The land area that drains water (usually surface water) to a particular waterbody or outlet.   |
| <b>WLA:</b>         | Wasteload Allocation. The portion of a receiving waterbody's loading capacity that is allocated to one of its existing or future point sources of pollution (e.g., permitted waste treatment facilities).  |
| <b>WQS:</b>         | Water Quality Standards. Defined in Chapter 61 of Environmental Protection Commission [567] of the Iowa Administrative Code, they are the specific criteria by which water quality is gauged in Iowa.  |
| <b>WWTF:</b>        | Wastewater Treatment Facility. General term for a facility that treats municipal, industrial, or agricultural wastewater for discharge to public waters according to the conditions of the facility's NPDES permit. Used interchangeably with wastewater treatment plant (WWTP). |
| <b>Zooplankton:</b> | Collective term for all animal plankton suspended in the water column which serve as secondary producers in the aquatic food chain and the primary food source for larger aquatic organisms.   |

### Scientific Notation

Scientific notation is the way that scientists easily handle very large numbers or very small numbers. For example, instead of writing 45,000,000,000 we write  $4.5E+10$ . So, how does this work?

We can think of  $4.5E+10$  as the product of two numbers: 4.5 (the digit term) and  $E+10$  (the exponential term). Here are some examples of scientific notation.

|                            |                      |
|----------------------------|----------------------|
| $10,000 = 1E+4$            | $24,327 = 2.4327E+4$ |
| $1,000 = 1E+3$             | $7,354 = 7.354E+3$   |
| $100 = 1E+2$               | $482 = 4.82E+2$      |
| $1/100 = 0.01 = 1E-2$      | $0.053 = 5.3E-2$     |
| $1/1,000 = 0.001 = 1E-3$   | $0.0078 = 7.8E-3$    |
| $1/10,000 = 0.0001 = 1E-4$ | $0.00044 = 4.4E-4$   |

As you can see, the exponent is the number of places the decimal point must be shifted to give the number in long form. A **positive** exponent shows that the decimal point is shifted that number of places to the right. A **negative** exponent shows that the decimal point is shifted that number of places to the left.

## Appendix B - General and Designated Uses of Iowa's Waters

### Introduction

Iowa's water quality standards (WQS) (Environmental Protection Commission [567], Chapter 61 of the Iowa Administrative Code) provide the narrative and numerical criteria by which water bodies are judged when determining the health and quality of our aquatic ecosystems. These standards vary depending on the type of water body (lakes vs. rivers) and the assigned uses (general use vs. designated uses) of the water body that is being dealt with. This appendix is intended to provide information about how Iowa's water bodies are classified and what the use designations mean, hopefully providing a better general understanding for the reader.

All public surface waters in the state are protected for certain beneficial uses, such as livestock and wildlife watering, aquatic life, non-contact recreation, crop irrigation, and other incidental uses (e.g. withdrawal for industry and agriculture). However, certain rivers and lakes warrant a greater degree of protection because they provide enhanced recreational, economical, or ecological opportunities. Thus, all public bodies of surface water in Iowa are divided into two main categories: general use segments and designated use segments. This is an important classification because it means that not all of the criteria in the state's water quality standards apply to all water ways; rather, the criteria which apply depend on the use designation & classification of the water body.

### General Use Segments

A general use segment water body is one which does not maintain perennial (year-round) flow of water or pools of water in most years (i.e. ephemeral or intermittent waterways). In other words, stream channels or basins which consistently dry up year after year would be classified as general use segments. Exceptions are made for years of extreme drought or floods. For the full definition of a general use water body, consult section 61.3(1) in the state's published water quality standards.

General use waters are protected for the beneficial uses listed above, which are: livestock and wildlife watering, aquatic life, non-contact recreation, crop irrigation, and industrial, agricultural, domestic and other incidental water withdrawal uses. The criteria used to ensure protection of these uses are described in section 61.3(2) in the state's published water quality standards.

### Designated Use Segments

Designated use segments are water bodies which maintain flow throughout the year, or at least hold pools of water which are sufficient to support a viable aquatic community (i.e. perennial waterways). In addition to being protected for the same beneficial uses as the general use segments, these perennial waters are protected for more specific activities such as primary contact recreation, drinking water sources, or cold-water fisheries. There are a total of thirteen different designated use classes (Table B.1) which may apply, and a water body may have more than one designated use. For definitions of the use classes and more detailed descriptions, consult section 61.3(1) in the state's published water quality standards.

**Table B.1. Designated Use Classes for Iowa Water Bodies.**

| <b>Class prefix</b> | <b>Class</b> | <b>Designated use</b>                        | <b>Brief comments</b>   |
|---------------------|--------------|--|---|
| A                   | A1           | Primary contact recreation                   | Supports swimming, water skiing, etc.   |
|                     | A2           | Secondary contact recreation                 | Limited/incidental contact occurs, such as boating                                    |
|                     | A3           | Children’s contact recreation                | Urban/residential waters that are attractive to children                              |
| B                   | B(CW1)       | Cold water aquatic life - Type 2             | Able to support coldwater fish (e.g. trout) populations                               |
|                     | B(CW2)       | Cold water aquatic life - Type 2             | Typically unable to support consistent trout populations                              |
|                     | B(WW-1)      | Warm water aquatic life - Type 1             | Suitable for game and nongame fish populations  |
|                     | B(WW-2)      | Warm water aquatic life - Type 2             | Smaller streams where game fish populations are limited by physical conditions & flow |
|                     | B(WW-3)      | Warm water aquatic life - Type 3             | Streams that only hold small perennial pools which extremely limit aquatic life       |
|                     | B(LW)        | Warm water aquatic life - Lakes and Wetlands | Artificial and natural impoundments with “lake-like” conditions                       |
| C                   | C            | Drinking water supply                        | Used for raw potable water  |
| Other               | HQ           | High quality water                           | Waters with exceptional water quality   |
|                     | HQR          | High quality resource                        | Waters with unique or outstanding features  |
|                     | HH           | Human health                                 | Fish are routinely harvested for human consumption                                    |

## Appendix C - Waste Load Allocation Calculations

### Appendix C.1. Wasteload Allocation by Stream Segment for the Upper Chariton Watershed

This appendix provides description of the type of wasteload allocations (WLA) for facilities in all three HUC-10 watersheds in the study area. Included are tables of waste load allocations by segment and by facility type.

- AL - Aerated Lagoon
- AS - Activated Sludge
- AS/SBR- Activated Sludge/Sequencing Batch Reactor
- CAFO - Concentrated Animal Feeding Operation.
- GP #4 - Private Facility operating under an NPDES General Permit #4
- ST/SF - Septic Tank Sand Filter
- SW - Stormwater
- TF - Trickling Filter
- UNSWD - Unsewered Community
- WSL - Waste Stabilization Lagoon (Controlled Discharge Lagoon, CDL)

#### *Wastewater Treatment Facility (WWTF)*

WWTF can be grouped into two types of discharging facilities, continuous and intermittent. All of the WWTF listed in this WQIP are continuous discharging facilities with the exception of Waste Stabilization Lagoons, which are intermittent discharging facilities.

The design flow for WWTF is the NPDES permitted average wet weather (AWW) flow. For a continuous discharging facility this is the 30-day AWW flow and the 180-day AWW flow for intermittent discharging facilities.

The WLA for continuous discharging facilities is the product of the WQS concentration of 126 orgs/100 ml and the design flow.

Intermittent discharging facilities operate as a hold and discharge facility with a minimum holding time of 180-days. These facilities typically discharge twice per year for short periods of time in the spring and in the fall when stream flows are at the highest. These facilities are permitted to discharge at a rate that is ten times the 180-day AWW flow. WLA for intermittent discharging facilities is the WQS concentration multiplied by ten times the 180-day AWW flow.

#### *Unsewered (UNSWD)*

WLA for unsewered communities is the product of the population and a per capita rate of 100 gallons per capita-day. Populations for unsewered communities were obtained or estimated from the 2010 US Census (U.S. Census Bureau, 2010). The per capita flow rate of 100 gallons per capita-day is required for facility planning of new WWTF by the Iowa Wastewater Facilities Design Standards. Unsewered communities with estimated populations of zero were omitted from WLA calculations.

#### *Concentrated Animal Feeding Operations (CAFOs)*

Regulatory CAFOs are not allowed to discharge, therefore their WLA is zero.

#### *General Permit No. 4 (GP#4)*

Facilities operating under a GP #4 are private systems that only treat domestic waste from commercial and residential properties and serve an equivalent population of less than 16 people. These sources are required to sample at least twice per year at six-month intervals. The effluent water quality *E. coli* criterion for these facilities is 235 orgs/100 ml. Therefore, the WLA for these systems is based on the 235 orgs/100 ml criterion. Design flows for these facilities is based on 150 gpd/bedroom. The number of bedrooms per residence was determined based on available county data.

GP#4's are typically private residential properties consequently, they are not listed by owner in this water quality improvement plan.



*Stormwater (SW)*

NPDES permits for MS4 communities do not include numeric limits for *E. coli*. However, they do include storm water pollution prevention and management provisions that include the implementation of Best Management Practices (BMP) to reduce pollutants in the discharge.

The WLA for MS4 communities in this WQIP are based on the ratio of the area of the MS4 community to the drainage area attributed to the impaired segment that the community discharges to multiply by the TMDL attributed to the drainage area of that impaired segment. There are no MS4 communities in the Upper Chariton River watershed.

The various point sources in each impaired segment of the Upper Chariton River watershed will be organized by HUC 10.

*Point Sources in Wolf Creek - Chariton River HUC 10 impaired segments*

**Table C.1. WLA for IA 05-CHA-1310**

| Facility Name                           | Facility Type | Iowa NPDES ID or AFO ID | Design Flow (mgd) | GM, <i>E. coli</i> , orgs/100 ml | WLA, <i>E. coli</i> , orgs/day | SSM, <i>E. coli</i> , orgs/100 ml | SSM Load, <i>E. coli</i> , orgs/day |
|---|---------------|-------------------------|-------------------|----------------------------------|--------------------------------|-----------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| Alexander David & Ewing Family Farms Lc | CAFO          | 58437                   | 0.00              | 126                              | 0.00E+00                       | 235                               | 0.00E+00                            |
| Wayne Finisher Farm                     | CAFO          | 69152                   | 0.00              | 126                              | 0.00E+00                       | 235                               | 0.00E+00                            |
| 3 Permitted Facilities                  | GP #4         | --                      | 0.0015            | 235                              | 1.33E+07                       | 235                               | 1.33E+07                            |
| <b>Totals</b>                           | --            | --                      | <b>0.0015</b>     | --                               | <b>1.33E+07</b>                | --                                | <b>1.33E+07</b>                     |

**Table C.2. WLA for IA 05-CHA-1311**

| Facility Name          | Facility Type | Iowa NPDES ID or AFO ID | Design Flow (mgd)     | GM, <i>E. coli</i> , orgs/100 ml | WLA, <i>E. coli</i> , orgs/day | SSM, <i>E. coli</i> , orgs/100 ml | SSM Load, <i>E. coli</i> , orgs/day |
|------------------------|---------------|-------------------------|-----------------------|----------------------------------|--------------------------------|-----------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| DERBY CITY OF STP      | WSL           | 5909001                 | 0.0135 <sup>(1)</sup> | 126                              | 6.44E+08                       | 235                               | 1.20E+09                            |
| Derby Sow Farm S034    | CAFO          | 69194                   | 0.00                  | 126                              | 0.00E+00                       | 235                               | 0.00E+00                            |
| 2 Permitted Facilities | GP #4         | --                      | 0.00105               | 235                              | 9.34E+06                       | 235                               | 9.34E+06                            |
| <b>Totals</b>          | --            | --                      | <b>0.01455</b>        | --                               | <b>6.53E+08</b>                | --                                | <b>1.21E+09</b>                     |

(1) Flow used to calculate the WLA for the GM and SSM is the design flow (180-day average wet weather flow) times 10.

**Table C.3. WLA for IA 05-CHA-1312**

| Facility Name        | Facility Type | Iowa NPDES ID or AFO ID | Design Flow (mgd) | GM, <i>E. coli</i> , orgs/100 ml | WLA, <i>E. coli</i> , orgs/day | SSM, <i>E. coli</i> , orgs/100 ml | SSM Load, <i>E. coli</i> , orgs/day |
|----------------------|---------------|-------------------------|-------------------|----------------------------------|--------------------------------|-----------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| HUMESTON CITY OF STP | AL            | 9348001                 | 0.27              | 126                              | 1.29E+09                       | 235                               | 2.40E+09                            |
| Last Chance Sow Farm | CAFO          | 60069                   | 0.00              | 126                              | 0.00E+00                       | 235                               | 0.00E+00                            |
| Smyrna Sow Farm      | CAFO          | 69833                   | 0.00              | 126                              | 0.00E+00                       | 235                               | 0.00E+00                            |
| Hooper Sow Farm      | CAFO          | 71345                   | 0.00              | 126                              | 0.00E+00                       | 235                               | 0.00E+00                            |
| Le Roy               | UNSWD         | --                      | 0.0014            | 126                              | 6.68E+06                       | 235                               | 1.25E+07                            |
| 1 Permitted Facility | GP #4         | --                      | 0.0006            | 235                              | 5.34E+06                       | 235                               | 5.34E+06                            |
| <b>Totals</b>        | --            | --                      | <b>0.272</b>      | --                               | <b>1.30E+09</b>                | --                                | <b>2.42E+09</b>                     |

Table C.4. WLA for IA 05-CHA-1313

| Facility Name         | Facility Type | Iowa NPDES ID or AFO ID | Design Flow (mgd) | GM, <i>E. coli</i> , orgs/100 ml | WLA, <i>E. coli</i> , orgs/day | SSM, <i>E. coli</i> , orgs/100 ml | SSM Load, <i>E. coli</i> , orgs/day |
|-----------------------|---------------|-------------------------|-------------------|----------------------------------|--------------------------------|-----------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| Iowa Quality Farms LC | CAFO          | 59925                   | 0.00              | 126                              | 0.00E+00                       | 235                               | 0.00E+00                            |
| <b>Totals</b>         | --            | --                      | <b>0.00</b>       | --                               | <b>0.00E+00</b>                | --                                | <b>0.00E+00</b>                     |

Table C.5. WLA for IA 05-CHA-1337

| Facility Name        | Facility Type | Iowa NPDES ID or AFO ID | Design Flow (mgd) | GM, <i>E. coli</i> , orgs/100 ml | WLA, <i>E. coli</i> , orgs/day |
|----------------------|---------------|-------------------------|-------------------|----------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| RUSSELL CITY OF STP  | AL            | 5939001                 | 0.31              | 126                              | 1.48E+09                       |
| 1 Permitted Facility | GP #4         | --                      | 0.0003            | 235                              | 2.67E+06                       |
| <b>Totals</b>        | --            | --                      | <b>0.3103</b>     | --                               | <b>1.48E+09</b>                |

Stream segment IA 05-CHA-1337 is impaired for GM criterion only. Therefore, no SSM calculations are provided.

Table C.6. WLA for IA 05-CHA-1339

| Facility Name          | Facility Type | Iowa NPDES ID or AFO ID | Design Flow (mgd) | GM, <i>E. coli</i> , orgs/100 ml | WLA, <i>E. coli</i> , orgs/day | SSM, <i>E. coli</i> , orgs/100 ml | SSM Load, <i>E. coli</i> , orgs/day |
|------------------------|---------------|-------------------------|-------------------|----------------------------------|--------------------------------|-----------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| 2 Permitted Facilities | GP #4         | --                      | 0.0009            | 235                              | 8.01E+06                       | 235                               | 8.01E+06                            |
| <b>Totals</b>          | --            | --                      | <b>0.0009</b>     | --                               | <b>8.01E+06</b>                | --                                | <b>8.01E+06</b>                     |

Table C.7. WLA for IA 05-CHA-1341

| Facility Name             | Facility Type | Iowa NPDES ID or AFO ID | Design Flow (mgd) | GM, <i>E. coli</i> , orgs/100 ml | WLA, <i>E. coli</i> , orgs/day | SSM, <i>E. coli</i> , orgs/100 ml | SSM Load, <i>E. coli</i> , orgs/day |
|---------------------------|---------------|-------------------------|-------------------|----------------------------------|--------------------------------|-----------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| Lucas Gilt Developer Unit | CAFO          | 60671                   | 0.00              | 126                              | 0.00E+00                       | 126                               | 0.00E+00                            |
| <b>Totals</b>             | --            | --                      | <b>0.00</b>       | <b>126</b>                       | <b>0.00E+00</b>                | <b>126</b>                        | <b>0.00E+00</b>                     |

## Point Sources in South Fork Chariton River HUC 10 impaired segments

Table C.8. WLA for IA 05-CHA-1329

| Facility Name        | Facility Type | Iowa NPDES ID or AFO ID | Design Flow (mgd) | GM, <i>E. coli</i> , orgs/100 ml | WLA, <i>E. coli</i> , orgs/day | SSM, <i>E. coli</i> , orgs/100 ml | SSM Load, <i>E. coli</i> , orgs/day |
|----------------------|---------------|-------------------------|-------------------|----------------------------------|--------------------------------|-----------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| Confidence           | UNSWD         | --                      | 0.0016            | 126                              | 7.63E+06                       | 235                               | 1.42E+07                            |
| Paul Alexander Farms | CAFO          | 62619                   | 0.00              | 126                              | 0.00E+00                       | 235                               | 0.00E+00                            |
| Double A Pork Inc    | CAFO          | 63942                   | 0.00              | 126                              | 0.00E+00                       | 235                               | 0.00E+00                            |
| <b>Totals</b>        | --            | --                      | <b>0.0016</b>     | --                               | <b>7.63E+06</b>                | --                                | <b>1.42E+07</b>                     |

Table C.9. WLA for IA 05-CHA-1330

| Facility Name | Facility Type | Iowa NPDES ID or AFO ID | Design Flow (mgd) | GM, <i>E. coli</i> , orgs/100 ml | WLA, <i>E. coli</i> , orgs/day | SSM, <i>E. coli</i> , orgs/100 ml | SSM Load, <i>E. coli</i> , orgs/day |
|---------------|---------------|-------------------------|-------------------|----------------------------------|--------------------------------|-----------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| Millerton     | UNSWD         | --                      | 0.0048            | 126                              | 2.29E+07                       | 235                               | 4.27E+07                            |
| <b>Totals</b> | --            | --                      | <b>0.0048</b>     | --                               | <b>2.29E+07</b>                | --                                | <b>4.27E+07</b>                     |

Table C.10. WLA for IA 05-CHA-1332

| Facility Name                | Facility Type | Iowa NPDES ID or AFO ID | Design Flow (mgd)   | GM, <i>E. coli</i> , orgs/100 ml | WLA, <i>E. coli</i> , orgs/day | SSM, <i>E. coli</i> , orgs/100 ml | SSM Load, <i>E. coli</i> , orgs/day |
|------------------------------|---------------|-------------------------|---------------------|----------------------------------|--------------------------------|-----------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| ALLERTON CITY OF STP (North) | WSL           | 9303003                 | 0.02 <sup>(1)</sup> | 126                              | 9.54E+08                       | 235                               | 1.78E+09                            |
| CORYDON CITY OF STP          | AL            | 9334004                 | 0.936               | 126                              | 4.46E+09                       | 235                               | 8.33E+09                            |
| <b>Totals</b>                | --            | --                      | <b>0.956</b>        | --                               | <b>5.42E+09</b>                | --                                | <b>1.01E+10</b>                     |

(1) Flow used to calculate the WLA for the GM and SSM is the design flow (180-day average wet weather flow) times 10.

Table C.11. WLA for IA 05-CHA-1335

| Facility Name | Facility Type | Iowa NPDES ID or AFO ID | Design Flow (mgd) | GM, <i>E. coli</i> , orgs/100 ml | WLA, <i>E. coli</i> , orgs/day | SSM, <i>E. coli</i> , orgs/100 ml | SSM Load, <i>E. coli</i> , orgs/day |
|---------------|---------------|-------------------------|-------------------|----------------------------------|--------------------------------|-----------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| Cambria       | UNSWD         | --                      | 0.0044            | 126                              | 2.10E+07                       | 235                               | 3.91E+07                            |
| <b>Totals</b> | --            | --                      | <b>0.0044</b>     | --                               | <b>2.10E+07</b>                | --                                | <b>3.91E+07</b>                     |

## Point Sources in Cooper Creek - Chariton River HUC 10 impaired segments

Table C.12. WLA for IA 05-CHA-1307

| Facility Name       | Facility Type | Iowa NPDES ID or AFO ID | Design Flow (mgd)     | GM, <i>E. coli</i> , orgs/100 ml | WLA, <i>E. coli</i> , orgs/day | SSM, <i>E. coli</i> , orgs/100 ml | SSM Load, <i>E. coli</i> , orgs/day |
|---------------------|---------------|-------------------------|-----------------------|----------------------------------|--------------------------------|-----------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| Exline, City of STP | WSL           | 0426001                 | 0.0206 <sup>(1)</sup> | 126                              | 9.83E+08                       | 235                               | 1.83E+09                            |
| <b>Totals</b>       | --            | --                      | <b>0.0206</b>         | --                               | <b>9.83E+08</b>                | --                                | <b>1.83E+09</b>                     |

(1) Flow used to calculate the WLA for the GM and SSM is the design flow (180-day average wet weather flow) times 10.

Table C.13. WLA for IA 05-CHA-1308

| Facility Name                                     | Facility Type | Iowa NPDES ID or AFO ID | Design Flow (mgd)     | GM, <i>E. coli</i> , orgs/100 ml | WLA, <i>E. coli</i> , orgs/day | SSM, <i>E. coli</i> , orgs/100 ml | SSM Load, <i>E. coli</i> , orgs/day |
|---|---------------|-------------------------|-----------------------|----------------------------------|--------------------------------|-----------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| Iowa DNR Rathbun Fish Hatchery                    | WSL           | 0400913                 | 0.008 <sup>(1)</sup>  | 126                              | 3.82E+08                       | 235                               | 7.12E+08                            |
| Rathbun Regional Water Association <sup>(2)</sup> | OTHER         | 0400918                 | 0.038                 | --                               | --                             | --                                | --                                  |
| Centerville City of STP (east)                    | AS            | 0407003                 | 1.5                   | 126                              | 7.15E+09                       | 235                               | 1.33E+10                            |
| Centerville City of STP (west)                    | AS            | 0407004                 | 0.41                  | 126                              | 1.96E+09                       | 235                               | 3.65E+09                            |
| Mystic City of STP                                | WSL           | 0477001                 | 0.071 <sup>(1)</sup>  | 126                              | 3.39E+09                       | 235                               | 6.32E+09                            |
| Plano, Iowa                                       | WSL           | 0484001                 | 0.006 <sup>(1)</sup>  | 126                              | 2.86E+08                       | 235                               | 5.34E+08                            |
| Promise City, City of STP                         | WSL           | 9360001                 | 0.0126 <sup>(1)</sup> | 126                              | 6.01E+08                       | 235                               | 1.12E+09                            |
| Seymour City of STP                               | WSL           | 9368001                 | 0.11 <sup>(1)</sup>   | 126                              | 5.25E+09                       | 235                               | 9.79E+09                            |
| Darbyville  | UNSWD         | --                      | 0.003                 | 126                              | 1.43E+07                       | 235                               | 2.67E+07                            |
| Rathbun   | UNSWD         | --                      | 0.0088                | 126                              | 4.20E+07                       | 235                               | 7.83E+07                            |
| Jerome  | UNSWD         | --                      | 0.0034                | 126                              | 1.62E+07                       | 235                               | 3.02E+07                            |
| Numa  | UNSWD         | --                      | 0.0109                | 126                              | 5.20E+07                       | 235                               | 9.70E+07                            |
| 1 Permitted Facilities                            | GP#4          | --                      | 0.00045               | 235                              | 4.00E+06                       | 235                               | 4.00E+06                            |
| <b>Totals</b>                                     | --            | --                      | <b>2.144</b>          | --                               | <b>1.91E+10</b>                |                                   | <b>3.57E+10</b>                     |

(1) Flow used to calculate the WLA for the GM and SSM is the design flow (180-day average wet weather flow) times 10.

(2) The RRWA is a water treatment facility and is not permitted to discharge *E. coli* in its effluent. Consequently, this facility was not considered as a contributing source but is listed here as having an NPDES permit. Design flow value not included in totals calculation.

### Appendix C.2. WLA by Treatment Type

This appendix provides the WLA for each facility based on the Treatment Type. Treatment types include: Municipal and Semi-public (WWTF); CAFO; General Permit #4; Unsewered; and Stormwater.

Wastewater Treatment Facility (WWTF) includes the following facility types:

- AL - Aerated Lagoon
- AS - Activated Sludge
- AS/SBR- Activated Sludge/Sequencing Batch Reactor
- ST/SF - Septic Tank Sand Filter
- TF - Trickling Filter
- WSL - Waste Stabilization Lagoon

**Table C.14. WLA for WWTFs in Upper Chariton River Watershed**

| Facility Name   | Facility Type    | Iowa NPDES ID or AFO ID | Design Flow (mgd)     | GM, <i>E. coli</i> , orgs/100 ml | WLA, <i>E. coli</i> , orgs/day <sup>(1)</sup> | SSM, <i>E. coli</i> , orgs/100 ml | SSM Load, <i>E. coli</i> , orgs/day |
|---|------------------|-------------------------|-----------------------|----------------------------------|---|-----------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| Exline, City of STP <sup>(3)</sup>                          | WSL              | 0426001                 | 0.0206 <sup>(1)</sup> | 126                              | 9.83E+08                                      | 235                               | 1.83E+09                            |
| ALLERTON CITY OF STP (North) <sup>(3)</sup>                 | WSL              | 9303003                 | 0.02 <sup>(1)</sup>   | 126                              | 9.54E+08                                      | 235                               | 1.78E+09                            |
| CORYDON CITY OF STP   | AL               | 9334004                 | 0.936                 | 126                              | 4.46E+09                                      | 235                               | 8.33E+09                            |
| HUMESTON CITY OF STP  | AL               | 9348001                 | 0.270                 | 126                              | 1.29E+09                                      | 235                               | 2.40E+09                            |
| RUSSELL CITY OF STP <sup>(7)</sup>                          | AL               | 5939001                 | 0.31                  | 126                              | 1.48E+09                                      | --                                | --                                  |
| Centerville City of STP (east)                              | AS               | 0407003                 | 1.50                  | 126                              | 7.15E+09                                      | 235                               | 1.33E+10                            |
| Centerville City of STP (west)                              | AS               | 0407004                 | 0.41                  | 126                              | 1.96E+09                                      | 235                               | 3.65E+09                            |
| Promise City, City of Stp <sup>(3)</sup>                    | WSL              | 9360001                 | 0.0126 <sup>(1)</sup> | 126                              | 6.01E+08                                      | 235                               | 1.12E+09                            |
| Seymour City of Stp <sup>(3)</sup>                          | WSL              | 9368001                 | 0.11 <sup>(1)</sup>   | 126                              | 5.25E+09                                      | 235                               | 9.79E+09                            |
| Iowa DNR Rathbun Fish Hatchery <sup>(3)</sup>               | WSL              | 0400913                 | 0.008 <sup>(1)</sup>  | 126                              | 3.82E+08                                      | 235                               | 7.12E+08                            |
| Plano, Iowa <sup>(3)</sup>                                  | WSL              | 0484001                 | 0.006 <sup>(1)</sup>  | 126                              | 2.86E+08                                      | 235                               | 5.34E+08                            |
| Mystic City of Stp <sup>(3)</sup>                           | WSL              | 0477001                 | 0.071 <sup>(1)</sup>  | 126                              | 3.39E+09                                      | 235                               | 6.32E+09                            |
| DERBY CITY OF STP <sup>(3)</sup>                            | WSL              | 5909001                 | 0.0135 <sup>(1)</sup> | 126                              | 6.44E+08                                      | 235                               | 1.20E+09                            |
| Rathbun Regional Water Association <sup>(4)</sup>           | OTHER            | 0400918                 | 0.038                 | --                               | --  | --                                | --                                  |
| DNR Honey Creek State Park - IA OP Permit <sup>(4)(5)</sup> | Land Application | 0400914                 | 0.011                 | --                               | --  | --                                | --                                  |
| Parkside Knolls HOA <sup>(5)</sup>                          | WSL              | 0400302                 |                       | --                               | --  | --                                | --                                  |
| Indian Ridge Homeowners Association <sup>(5)</sup>          | AL               | 9300601                 | 0.0074                | --                               | --  | --                                | --                                  |
| DNR Honey Creek Resort State Park <sup>(3) (5)(6)</sup>     | WSL              | 0400922                 | 0.044 <sup>(1)</sup>  | --                               | --  | --                                | --                                  |
| <b>Totals</b>   | --               | --                      | --                    | <b>126</b>                       | <b>2.88E+10</b>                               |                                   | <b>5.10E+10</b>                     |

- (1) Flow used to calculate the WLA for the GM and SSM is the design flow (180-day average wet weather flow) times 10.
- (2) The WLA for continuous discharging facilities is the product of the WQS concentration of 126 orgs/100 ml and the design flow.
- (3) The WLA for intermittent discharging facilities is the WQS concentration multiplied by ten times the 180-day AWW flow.
- (4) Operation permits are permitted to land apply treated wastewater and do not discharge to surface water. Water treatment plants are not permitted to discharge *E. coli* in its effluent. Consequently, this facility was not considered as a contributing source but are listed here as having an NPDES permit
- (5) These facilities are being listed as NPDES permitted facilities in the watershed. However, they were not considered in this TMDL because they discharged to Rathbun Lake and it is assumed that bacteria concentrations at the outflow are below detection limits therefore, they would not contribute to any downstream impairments.
- (6) This facility has 2 outfalls in its NPDES permit 1) from a three cell WSL and 2) occasional draining of the aquatic center. The outfall for the WSL discharges outside of the watershed. The outfall for the aquatic center discharges to Rathbun Lake and has no *e-coli* limits in its NPDES permit. Consequently, this outfall was not considered as a contributing source but is listed as having an NPDES permit.
- (7) The City of Russell discharges to Stream Segment IA 05-CHA-1337 which is only impaired for the GM. Therefore, the City of Russell was not included in the SSM calculations.

Table C.15. WLA for CAFOs in Upper Chariton River Watershed

| Facility Name                           | Facility Type | Iowa NPDES ID or AFO ID | Design Flow (gpd) | GM, <i>E. coli</i> , orgs/100 ml | WLA, <i>E. coli</i> , orgs/day <sup>(1)</sup> |
|---|---------------|-------------------------|-------------------|----------------------------------|---|
| Alexander David & Ewing Family Farms Lc | CAFO          | 58437                   | 0.0               | 126                              | 0.00E+00                                      |
| Iowa Quality Farms Lc                   | CAFO          | 59925                   | 0.0               | 126                              | 0.00E+00                                      |
| Last Chance Sow Farm                    | CAFO          | 60069                   | 0.0               | 126                              | 0.00E+00                                      |
| Lucas Gilt Developer Unit               | CAFO          | 60671                   | 0.0               | 126                              | 0.00E+00                                      |
| Paul Alexander Farms                    | CAFO          | 62619                   | 0.0               | 126                              | 0.00E+00                                      |
| Double A Pork Inc                       | CAFO          | 63942                   | 0.0               | 126                              | 0.00E+00                                      |
| Wayne Finisher Farm                     | CAFO          | 69152                   | 0.0               | 126                              | 0.00E+00                                      |
| Derby Sow Farm S034                     | CAFO          | 69194                   | 0.0               | 126                              | 0.00E+00                                      |
| Smyrna Sow Farm                         | CAFO          | 69833                   | 0.0               | 126                              | 0.00E+00                                      |
| Hooper Sow Farm                         | CAFO          | 71345                   | 0.0               | 126                              | 0.00E+00                                      |
| Totals                                  | --            | --                      | 0.0               | 126                              | 0.00E+00                                      |

- (1) Regulatory CAFOs are not allowed to discharge therefore their WLA is zero.

Table C.16. Estimated Wasteloads for GP #4 in Upper Chariton River Watershed

| Facility Name          | Facility Type | Design Flow (gpd) | Stream Segment | GM, <i>E. coli</i> , orgs/100 ml | WLA, <i>E. coli</i> , orgs/day |
|------------------------|---------------|-------------------|----------------|----------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| 3 Permitted Facilities | GP #4         | 1,500             | IA 05-CHA-1310 | 235                              | 1.33E+07                       |
| 2 Permitted Facilities | GP #4         | 1,050             | IA 05-CHA-1311 | 235                              | 9.34E+06                       |
| 1 Permitted Facility   | GP #4         | 600               | IA 05-CHA-1312 | 235                              | 5.34E+06                       |
| 1 Permitted Facilities | GP #4         | 300               | IA 05-CHA-1337 | 235                              | 2.67E+06                       |
| 2 Permitted Facilities | GP #4         | 900               | IA 05-CHA-1339 | 235                              | 8.01E+06                       |
| 1 Permitted Facilities | GP #4         | 450               | IA 05-CHA-1308 | 235                              | 4.00E+06                       |
| <b>Totals</b>          |               | <b>4,800</b>      |                | <b>235</b>                       | <b>4.27E+07</b>                |

- (1) In some cases, these sources are small and do not significantly contribute to the impairment. However, in other cases they are the only permitted source in the watershed. Therefore, a WLA for all these systems is included in this WQIP.
- (2) GP#4's are typically private residential properties consequently, they are not listed individually in this water quality improvement plan.
- (3) Permit limits for GP #4 is 235 orgs/100 ml. Therefore, WLA for GM and SSM are the same.

**Table C.17. Unsewered Communities in Upper Chariton River Watershed**

| Facility Name | Facility Type | Population <sup>1</sup> | Design Flow (gpd) | Receiving Stream Segment | GM, <i>E. coli</i> , orgs/100 ml | WLA, <i>E. coli</i> , orgs/day <sup>1</sup> | SSM, <i>E. coli</i> , orgs/100 ml | SSM, WLA, <i>E. coli</i> , orgs/day <sup>1</sup> |
|---------------|---------------|-------------------------|-------------------|--------------------------|----------------------------------|---|-----------------------------------|--|
| Le Roy        | UNSWD         | 14                      | 1,400             | IA 05-CHA-1312           | 126                              | 6.68E+06                                    | 235                               | 1.25E+07   |
| Confidence    | UNSWD         | 16                      | 1,600             | IA 05-CHA-1329           | 126                              | 7.63E+06                                    | 235                               | 1.42E+07   |
| Millerton     | UNSWD         | 48                      | 4,800             | IA 05-CHA-1330           | 126                              | 2.29E+07                                    | 235                               | 4.27E+07   |
| Cambria       | UNSWD         | 44                      | 4,400             | IA 05-CHA-1335           | 126                              | 2.10E+07                                    | 235                               | 3.91E+07   |
| Darbyville    | UNSWD         | 30                      | 3,000             | IA 05-CHA-1308           | 126                              | 1.43E+07                                    | 235                               | 2.67E+07   |
| Rathbun       | UNSWD         | 88                      | 8,800             | IA 05-CHA-1308           | 126                              | 4.20E+07                                    | 235                               | 7.83E+07   |
| Jerome        | UNSWD         | 34                      | 3,400             | IA 05-CHA-1308           | 126                              | 1.62E+07                                    | 235                               | 3.02E+07   |
| Numa          | UNSWD         | 109                     | 10,900            | IA 05-CHA-1308           | 126                              | 5.20E+07                                    | 235                               | 9.70E+07   |
| <b>Totals</b> |               | <b>383</b>              | <b>38,300</b>     |                          | --                               | <b>1.83E+08</b>                             | --                                | <b>3.41E+08</b>                                  |

(1) WLA for unsewered communities is the product of the population and a per capita rate of 100 gallons per capita-day times the WQS concentration.

**Appendix C.3. Water Quality Data**

Water Quality Data in Wolf Creek - Chariton River HUC 10 impaired segments

**Table C.18. Water Quality Data for IA 05-CHA-1310 and STORET Site #15590001 (RA-15).**

| Date       | Flow (cfs) | <i>E. coli</i> (orgs/100 ml) |
|------------|------------|------------------------------|
| 3/17/1999  | 372.857    | 340.0                        |
| 4/13/1999  | 16.571     | 460.0                        |
| 5/11/1999  | 18.484     | 30.0                         |
| 6/11/1999  | 331.429    | 2,400.0                      |
| 6/15/1999  | 35.692     | 1,600.0                      |
| 7/13/1999  | 7.011      | 340.0                        |
| 8/18/1999  | 1.275      | 630.0                        |
| 9/13/1999  | 0.414      | 300.0                        |
| 10/13/1999 | 0.478      | 310.0                        |
| 11/15/1999 | 0.080      | 52.0                         |
| 3/28/2000  | 0.271      | 10.0                         |
| 4/18/2000  | 0.414      | 10.0                         |
| 5/16/2000  | 0.510      | 110.0                        |
| 6/13/2000  | 31.868     | 190.0                        |
| 6/27/2000  | 216.703    | 2,100.0                      |
| 7/19/2000  | 4.462      | 1,300.0                      |
| 8/15/2000  | 2.231      | 63.0                         |
| 9/12/2000  | 0.239      | 930.0                        |
| 10/17/2000 | 0.178      | 86.0                         |
| 11/14/2000 | 0.414      | 20.0                         |
| 3/20/2001  | 183.242    | 310.0                        |
| 4/17/2001  | 43.659     | 910.0                        |
| 5/15/2001  | 411.099    | 1,400.0                      |
| 6/1/2001   | 726.593    | 1,600.0                      |
| 6/12/2001  | 13.066     | 100.0                        |
| 7/11/2001  | 2.741      | 110.0                        |
| 8/14/2001  | 0.153      | 130.0                        |
| 9/27/2001  | 0.306      | 1,200.0                      |
| 10/16/2001 | 1.625      | 74.0                         |
| 11/13/2001 | 1.179      | 10.0                         |
| 3/26/2002  | 5.418      | 10.0                         |
| 4/16/2002  | 9.560      | 40.0                         |
| 5/14/2002  | 366.484    | 1,300.0                      |
| 6/11/2002  | 10.198     | 2,900.0                      |
| 7/23/2002  | 0.510      | 300.0                        |
| 8/13/2002  | 0.143      | 230.0                        |

| Date       | Flow (cfs) | <i>E. coli</i> (orgs/100 ml) |
|------------|------------|------------------------------|
| 9/17/2002  | 0.086      | 350.0                        |
| 10/24/2002 | 0.032      | 110.0                        |
| 11/12/2002 | 0.061      | 30.0                         |
| 4/15/2003  | 1.179      | 10.0                         |
| 5/14/2003  | 6.374      | 260.0                        |
| 6/17/2003  | 1.625      | 340.0                        |
| 7/15/2003  | 0.351      | 40.0                         |
| 7/29/2003  | 0.083      | 400.0                        |
| 8/12/2003  | 0.013      | 160.0                        |
| 9/16/2003  | 1.609      | 360.0                        |
| 10/16/2003 | 0.140      | 30.0                         |
| 3/31/2004  | 34.099     | 750.0                        |
| 4/21/2004  | 9.560      | 760.0                        |
| 5/19/2004  | 5.099      | 270.0                        |
| 6/22/2004  | 10.516     | 200.0                        |
| 7/13/2004  | 83.176     | 7,000.0                      |
| 7/20/2004  | 1.498      | 360.0                        |
| 8/17/2004  | 1.402      | 180.0                        |
| 9/21/2004  | 1.370      | 320.0                        |
| 10/19/2004 | 1.737      | 10.0                         |
| 3/16/2005  | 4.462      | 10.0                         |
| 4/13/2005  | 519.451    | 3,100.0                      |
| 5/10/2005  | 3.888      | 80.0                         |
| 6/15/2005  | 18.930     | 1,652.0                      |
| 6/29/2005  | 17.400     | 3,840.0                      |
| 7/20/2005  | 0.236      | 288.0                        |
| 7/28/2005  | 0.787      | 727.0                        |
| 8/25/2005  | 0.207      | 290.9                        |
| 3/16/2006  | 0.564      | 21.1                         |
| 4/12/2006  | 0.727      | 77.1                         |
| 4/27/2006  | 0.357      | 72.4                         |
| 5/25/2006  | 17.400     | 344.8                        |
| 6/7/2006   | 0.593      | 196.8                        |
| 6/21/2006  | 0.080      | 1,011.2                      |
| 7/27/2006  | 0.131      | 913.9                        |
| 8/28/2006  | 0.602      | 478.6                        |



| Date       | Flow (cfs) | <i>E. coli</i> (orgs/100 ml) | Date                       | Flow (cfs) | <i>E. coli</i> (orgs/100 ml) |
|------------|------------|------------------------------|----------------------------|------------|------------------------------|
| 9/13/2006  | 0.303      | 275.5                        | 9/23/2009                  | 2.428      | 325.5                        |
| 10/12/2006 | 0.003      | 82.0                         | 10/27/2009                 | 38.560     | 727.0                        |
| 4/25/2007  | 497.143    | 2,419.6 <sup>(1)</sup>       | 3/22/2010                  | 124.604    | 122.3                        |
| 5/23/2007  | 3.537      | 206.4                        | 4/19/2010                  | 11.345     | 37.7                         |
| 6/5/2007   | 18.834     | 547.5                        | 4/24/2010                  | 493.956    | 2,419.6 <sup>(1)</sup>       |
| 6/21/2007  | 1.469      | 461.1                        | 5/11/2010                  | 650.110    | 2,419.6 <sup>(1)</sup>       |
| 7/17/2007  | 0.191      | 686.7                        | 5/26/2010                  | 56.088     | 1,986.3                      |
| 7/26/2007  | 0.099      | 435.2                        | 6/22/2010                  | 398.352    | 2,419.6 <sup>(1)</sup>       |
| 8/8/2007   | 0.382      | 2,419.6                      | 7/13/2010                  | 19.153     | 235.9                        |
| 8/21/2007  | 3.601      | 2,419.6 <sup>(1)</sup>       | 8/11/2010                  | 114.407    | 2,419.6 <sup>(1)</sup>       |
| 9/11/2007  | 0.421      | 613.1                        | 9/21/2010                  | 331.429    | 2,419.6 <sup>(1)</sup>       |
| 9/27/2007  | 0.185      | 313.0                        | 10/9/2010                  | 4.876      | 344.8                        |
| 10/4/2007  | 0.523      | 166.4                        | 4/16/2011                  | 257.176    | 10,000.0                     |
| 10/18/2007 | 188.659    | 2,419.6 <sup>(1)</sup>       | 8/16/2011                  | 3.047      | 800.0                        |
| 11/13/2007 | 2.138      | 135.4                        | 9/19/2011                  | 0.274      | 560.0                        |
| 5/29/2008  | 12.110     | 325.5                        | 10/17/2011                 | 0.045      | 20.0                         |
| 6/3/2008   | 157.110    | 1,413.6                      | 4/16/2012                  | 318.681    | 20,000.0                     |
| 6/16/2008  | 211.923    | 206.4                        | 5/3/2012                   | 544.945    | 17,000.0                     |
| 7/1/2008   | 13.193     | 344.8                        | 6/18/2012                  | 53.220     | 6,500.0                      |
| 7/15/2008  | 4.685      | 139.6                        | 6/26/2012                  | 21.065     | 560.0                        |
| 8/12/2008  | 8.859      | 228.2                        | 7/11/2012                  | 0.025      | 52.0                         |
| 9/8/2008   | 3.158      | 1,413.6                      | 10/22/2012                 | 1.042      | 130.0                        |
| 10/27/2008 | 37.286     | 920.8                        |                            |            |                              |
| 11/4/2008  | 9.274      | 193.5                        | Min =                      | 0.003      | 10                           |
| 5/14/2009  | 17.496     | 122.3                        | 1 <sup>st</sup> Quartile = | 0.42       | 130                          |
| 5/28/2009  | 123.967    | 2,419.6 <sup>(1)</sup>       | Median =                   | 4.5        | 340                          |
| 6/18/2009  | 15.074     | 2,419.6 <sup>(1)</sup>       | 3 <sup>rd</sup> Quartile = | 35.7       | 1,300                        |
| 6/25/2009  | 65.330     | 344.8                        | Max =                      | 726.6      | 20,000                       |
| 7/16/2009  | 13.034     | 547.5                        | Mean <sup>(2)</sup> =      | 70.4       | 348                          |
| 8/11/2009  | 71.066     | 2,419.6                      | Std Dev =                  | 148.0      | 2,624                        |
| 8/17/2009  | 310.714    | 2,419.6 <sup>(1)</sup>       |                            |            |                              |

- (1) Individual sampling points had *E. coli* values greater than quantification value of 2,419.6 orgs/100 ml. In these cases 2,419.6 orgs/100 ml was used for calculation purposes.
- (2) For *E. coli* this is a geomean.

Table C.19. Water Quality Data for IA 05-CHA-1311 and STORET Site #15590001 (RA-15).

| Date       | Flow (cfs) | <i>E. coli</i> (orgs/100 ml) | Date       | Flow (cfs) | <i>E. coli</i> (orgs/100 ml) |
|------------|------------|------------------------------|------------|------------|------------------------------|
| 3/17/1999  | 327.536    | 340.0                        | 5/14/2003  | 5.599      | 260.0                        |
| 4/13/1999  | 14.557     | 460.0                        | 6/17/2003  | 1.428      | 340.0                        |
| 5/11/1999  | 16.237     | 30.0                         | 7/15/2003  | 0.308      | 40.0                         |
| 6/11/1999  | 291.143    | 2,400.0                      | 7/29/2003  | 0.073      | 400.0                        |
| 6/15/1999  | 31.354     | 1,600.0                      | 8/12/2003  | 0.011      | 160.0                        |
| 7/13/1999  | 6.159      | 340.0                        | 9/16/2003  | 1.414      | 360.0                        |
| 8/18/1999  | 1.120      | 630.0                        | 10/16/2003 | 0.123      | 30.0                         |
| 9/13/1999  | 0.364      | 300.0                        | 3/31/2004  | 29.954     | 750.0                        |
| 10/13/1999 | 0.420      | 310.0                        | 4/21/2004  | 8.398      | 760.0                        |
| 11/15/1999 | 0.070      | 52.0                         | 5/19/2004  | 4.479      | 270.0                        |
| 3/28/2000  | 0.238      | 10.0                         | 6/22/2004  | 9.238      | 200.0                        |
| 4/18/2000  | 0.364      | 10.0                         | 7/13/2004  | 73.066     | 7,000.0                      |
| 5/16/2000  | 0.448      | 110.0                        | 7/20/2004  | 1.316      | 360.0                        |
| 6/13/2000  | 27.995     | 190.0                        | 8/17/2004  | 1.232      | 180.0                        |
| 6/27/2000  | 190.363    | 2,100.0                      | 9/21/2004  | 1.204      | 320.0                        |
| 7/19/2000  | 3.919      | 1,300.0                      | 10/19/2004 | 1.526      | 10.0                         |
| 8/15/2000  | 1.960      | 63.0                         | 3/16/2005  | 3.919      | 10.0                         |
| 9/12/2000  | 0.210      | 930.0                        | 4/13/2005  | 456.310    | 3,100.0                      |
| 10/17/2000 | 0.157      | 86.0                         | 5/10/2005  | 3.415      | 80.0                         |
| 11/14/2000 | 0.364      | 20.0                         | 6/15/2005  | 16.629     | 1,652.0                      |
| 3/20/2001  | 160.968    | 310.0                        | 6/29/2005  | 15.285     | 3,840.0                      |
| 4/17/2001  | 38.352     | 910.0                        | 7/20/2005  | 0.207      | 288.0                        |
| 5/15/2001  | 361.129    | 1,400.0                      | 7/28/2005  | 0.691      | 727.0                        |
| 6/1/2001   | 638.275    | 1,600.0                      | 8/25/2005  | 0.182      | 290.9                        |
| 6/12/2001  | 11.478     | 100.0                        | 3/16/2006  | 0.496      | 21.1                         |
| 7/11/2001  | 2.408      | 110.0                        | 4/12/2006  | 0.638      | 77.1                         |
| 8/14/2001  | 0.134      | 130.0                        | 4/27/2006  | 0.314      | 72.4                         |
| 9/27/2001  | 0.269      | 1,200.0                      | 5/25/2006  | 15.285     | 344.8                        |
| 10/16/2001 | 1.428      | 74.0                         | 6/7/2006   | 0.521      | 196.8                        |
| 11/13/2001 | 1.036      | 10.0                         | 6/21/2006  | 0.070      | 1,011.2                      |
| 3/26/2002  | 4.759      | 10.0                         | 7/27/2006  | 0.115      | 913.9                        |
| 4/16/2002  | 8.398      | 40.0                         | 8/28/2006  | 0.529      | 478.6                        |
| 5/14/2002  | 321.937    | 1,300.0                      | 9/13/2006  | 0.266      | 275.5                        |
| 6/11/2002  | 8.958      | 2,900.0                      | 10/12/2006 | 0.003      | 82.0                         |
| 7/23/2002  | 0.448      | 300.0                        | 4/25/2007  | 436.714    | 2,419.6 <sup>(1)</sup>       |
| 8/13/2002  | 0.126      | 230.0                        | 5/23/2007  | 3.107      | 206.4                        |
| 9/17/2002  | 0.076      | 350.0                        | 6/5/2007   | 16.545     | 547.5                        |
| 10/24/2002 | 0.028      | 110.0                        | 6/21/2007  | 1.291      | 461.1                        |
| 11/12/2002 | 0.053      | 30.0                         | 7/17/2007  | 0.168      | 686.7                        |
| 4/15/2003  | 1.036      | 10.0                         | 7/26/2007  | 0.087      | 435.2                        |

| Date       | Flow (cfs) | <i>E. coli</i> (orgs/100 ml) |
|------------|------------|------------------------------|
| 8/8/2007   | 0.336      | 2,419.6                      |
| 8/21/2007  | 3.163      | 2,419.6 <sup>(1)</sup>       |
| 9/11/2007  | 0.370      | 613.1                        |
| 9/27/2007  | 0.162      | 313.0                        |
| 10/4/2007  | 0.459      | 166.4                        |
| 10/18/2007 | 165.727    | 2,419.6 <sup>(1)</sup>       |
| 11/13/2007 | 1.878      | 135.4                        |
| 5/29/2008  | 10.638     | 325.5                        |
| 6/3/2008   | 138.013    | 1,413.6                      |
| 6/16/2008  | 186.163    | 206.4                        |
| 7/1/2008   | 11.590     | 344.8                        |
| 7/15/2008  | 4.115      | 139.6                        |
| 8/12/2008  | 7.782      | 228.2                        |
| 9/8/2008   | 2.774      | 1,413.6                      |
| 10/27/2008 | 32.754     | 920.8                        |
| 11/4/2008  | 8.146      | 193.5                        |
| 5/14/2009  | 15.369     | 122.3                        |
| 5/28/2009  | 108.899    | 2,419.6 <sup>(1)</sup>       |
| 6/18/2009  | 13.241     | 2,419.6 <sup>(1)</sup>       |
| 6/25/2009  | 57.389     | 344.8                        |
| 7/16/2009  | 11.450     | 547.5                        |
| 8/11/2009  | 62.428     | 2,419.6                      |
| 8/17/2009  | 272.946    | 2,419.6 <sup>(1)</sup>       |
| 9/23/2009  | 2.133      | 325.5                        |
| 10/27/2009 | 33.873     | 727.0                        |
| 3/22/2010  | 109.459    | 122.3                        |
| 4/19/2010  | 9.966      | 37.7                         |

| Date                       | Flow (cfs) | <i>E. coli</i> (orgs/100 ml) |
|----------------------------|------------|------------------------------|
| 4/24/2010                  | 433.915    | 2,419.6 <sup>(1)</sup>       |
| 5/11/2010                  | 571.088    | 2,419.6 <sup>(1)</sup>       |
| 5/26/2010                  | 49.270     | 1,986.3                      |
| 6/22/2010                  | 349.931    | 2,419.6 <sup>(1)</sup>       |
| 7/13/2010                  | 16.825     | 235.9                        |
| 8/11/2010                  | 100.500    | 2,419.6 <sup>(1)</sup>       |
| 9/21/2010                  | 291.143    | 2,419.6 <sup>(1)</sup>       |
| 10/9/2010                  | 4.283      | 344.8                        |
| 4/16/2011                  | 225.916    | 10,000.0                     |
| 8/16/2011                  | 2.676      | 800.0                        |
| 9/19/2011                  | 0.241      | 560.0                        |
| 10/17/2011                 | 0.039      | 20.0                         |
| 4/16/2012                  | 279.945    | 20,000.0                     |
| 5/3/2012                   | 478.706    | 17,000.0                     |
| 6/18/2012                  | 46.751     | 6,500.0                      |
| 6/26/2012                  | 18.504     | 560.0                        |
| 7/11/2012                  | 0.022      | 52.0                         |
| 10/22/2012                 | 0.915      | 130.0                        |
|                            |            |                              |
| Min =                      | 0.003      | 10                           |
| 1 <sup>st</sup> Quartile = | 0.37       | 130                          |
| Median =                   | 3.9        | 340                          |
| 3 <sup>rd</sup> Quartile = | 31.4       | 1,300                        |
| Max =                      | 638.3      | 20,000                       |
| Mean <sup>(2)</sup> =      | 61.8       | 348                          |
| Std Dev =                  | 130.0      | 2,624                        |

(1) Individual sampling points had *E. coli* values greater than quantification value of 2,419.6 orgs/100 ml. In these cases 2,419.6 orgs/100 ml was used for calculation purposes.

(2) For *E. coli* this is a geomean.

**Table C.20. Water Quality Data for IA 05-CHA-1312 and STORET Site #15200001 (RA-32).**

| Date       | Flow (cfs) | <i>E. coli</i> (orgs/100 ml) | Date       | Flow (cfs) | <i>E. coli</i> (orgs/100 ml) |
|------------|------------|------------------------------|------------|------------|------------------------------|
| 3/17/1999  | 225.6      | 110                          | 4/21/2004  | 5.8        | 4400                         |
| 4/13/1999  | 10.0       | 460                          | 5/19/2004  | 3.1        | 44,000                       |
| 5/11/1999  | 11.2       | 200                          | 5/26/2004  | 100.9      | 2,400                        |
| 6/11/1999  | 200.6      | 2,400                        | 6/22/2004  | 6.4        | 280                          |
| 6/15/1999  | 21.6       | 740                          | 7/13/2004  | 50.3       | 2,800                        |
| 7/13/1999  | 4.2        | 210                          | 7/20/2004  | 0.9        | 910                          |
| 8/18/1999  | 0.8        | 850                          | 8/17/2004  | 0.8        | 170                          |
| 9/13/1999  | 0.3        | 51                           | 9/21/2004  | 0.8        | 340                          |
| 10/13/1999 | 0.3        | 210                          | 3/16/2005  | 2.7        | 10                           |
| 11/15/1999 | 0.0        | 10                           | 4/13/2005  | 314.4      | 1,400                        |
| 3/28/2000  | 0.2        | 230                          | 5/10/2005  | 2.4        | 50                           |
| 4/18/2000  | 0.3        | 41                           | 6/15/2005  | 11.5       | 271                          |
| 5/16/2000  | 0.3        | 10                           | 6/29/2005  | 10.5       | 406                          |
| 6/13/2000  | 19.3       | 52                           | 7/28/2005  | 0.5        | 1,249.8                      |
| 6/27/2000  | 131.1      | 260                          | 3/16/2006  | 0.3        | 16                           |
| 7/19/2000  | 2.7        | 1,300                        | 4/12/2006  | 0.4        | 248.1                        |
| 8/15/2000  | 1.4        | 170                          | 4/27/2006  | 0.2        | 45.2                         |
| 9/12/2000  | 0.1        | 30                           | 5/25/2006  | 10.5       | 2419.6                       |
| 3/20/2001  | 110.9      | 270                          | 6/7/2006   | 0.4        | 201.4                        |
| 4/17/2001  | 26.4       | 390                          | 8/28/2006  | 0.4        | > 2,419.6 <sup>(1)</sup>     |
| 5/15/2001  | 248.8      | 880                          | 4/25/2007  | 300.9      | > 2,419.6 <sup>(1)</sup>     |
| 6/1/2001   | 439.7      | 2,100                        | 6/5/2007   | 11.4       | 435.2                        |
| 6/12/2001  | 7.9        | 100                          | 8/8/2007   | 0.2        | > 2,419.6 <sup>(1)</sup>     |
| 7/11/2001  | 1.7        | 160                          | 8/21/2007  | 2.2        | 1,299.7                      |
| 8/14/2001  | 0.1        | 41                           | 9/11/2007  | 0.3        | 325.5                        |
| 9/27/2001  | 0.2        | 180                          | 9/27/2007  | 0.1        | 344.8                        |
| 10/16/2001 | 1.0        | 990                          | 10/4/2007  | 0.3        | > 2,419.6 <sup>(1)</sup>     |
| 11/13/2001 | 0.7        | 63                           | 10/18/2007 | 114.2      | > 2,419.6 <sup>(1)</sup>     |
| 3/26/2002  | 3.3        | 10                           | 11/13/2007 | 1.3        | 122.3                        |
| 4/16/2002  | 5.8        | 130                          | 5/29/2008  | 7.3        | 547.5                        |
| 5/14/2002  | 221.8      | 660                          | 6/3/2008   | 95.1       | 2,419.6                      |
| 6/11/2002  | 6.2        | 5,900                        | 6/16/2008  | 128.3      | 272.3                        |
| 7/23/2002  | 0.3        | 240                          | 7/1/2008   | 8.0        | 461.1                        |
| 4/15/2003  | 0.7        | 90                           | 7/15/2008  | 2.8        | 178.5                        |
| 5/14/2003  | 3.9        | 170                          | 8/12/2008  | 5.4        | 193.5                        |
| 6/17/2003  | 1.0        | 80                           | 9/8/2008   | 1.9        | 130.1                        |
| 7/15/2003  | 0.2        | 220                          | 10/27/2008 | 22.6       | 980.4                        |
| 7/29/2003  | 0.1        | 1,400                        | 11/4/2008  | 5.6        | 60.5                         |
| 9/16/2003  | 1.0        | 300                          | 5/14/2009  | 10.6       | > 2,419.6 <sup>(1)</sup>     |
| 3/31/2004  | 20.6       | 570                          | 5/28/2009  | 75.0       | 1,299.7                      |

| Date       | Flow (cfs) | <i>E. coli</i> (orgs/100 ml) |
|------------|------------|------------------------------|
| 6/18/2009  | 9.1        | 547.5                        |
| 6/25/2009  | 39.5       | 461.1                        |
| 7/16/2009  | 7.9        | 1,046.2                      |
| 8/11/2009  | 43.0       | 1,119.9                      |
| 8/17/2009  | 188.0      | 1,986.3                      |
| 9/23/2009  | 1.5        | 65                           |
| 10/27/2009 | 23.3       | 770.1                        |
| 3/22/2010  | 75.4       | 816.4                        |
| 4/19/2010  | 6.9        | 110.6                        |
| 4/24/2010  | 298.9      | > 2,419.6 <sup>(1)</sup>     |
| 5/11/2010  | 393.4      | > ,2419.6 <sup>(1)</sup>     |
| 5/26/2010  | 33.9       | > 2,419.6 <sup>(1)</sup>     |
| 6/22/2010  | 241.1      | 1,119.9                      |
| 7/13/2010  | 11.6       | 275.5                        |
| 8/11/2010  | 69.2       | 61.8                         |
| 9/21/2010  | 200.6      | 686.7                        |

| Date                       | Flow (cfs) | <i>E. coli</i> (orgs/100 ml) |
|----------------------------|------------|------------------------------|
| 10/9/2010                  | 3.0        | 290.9                        |
| 8/15/2011                  | 1.7        | 440                          |
| 9/20/2011                  | 0.1        | 580                          |
| 10/18/2011                 | 0.0        | 200                          |
| 6/27/2012                  | 3.8        | 300                          |
| 7/12/2012                  | 0.0        | 1,300                        |
| 10/23/2012                 | 0.7        | 130                          |
|                            |            |                              |
| Min =                      | 0.015      | 10                           |
| 1 <sup>st</sup> Quartile = | 0.69       | 165                          |
| Median =                   | 4.2        | 340                          |
| 3 <sup>rd</sup> Quartile = | 24.9       | 1,185                        |
| Max =                      | 439.7      | 44,000                       |
| Mean <sup>(2)</sup> =      | 45.6       | 368                          |
| Std Dev =                  | 91.1       | 4,354                        |

- (1) Individual sampling points had *E. coli* values greater than quantification value of 2,419.6 orgs/100 ml. In these cases 2,419.6 orgs/100 ml was used for calculation purposes.
- (2) For *E. coli* this is a geomean.

**Table C.21. Water Quality Data for IA-CHA-1313 and STORET Site #15200002 (RA-33).**

| Date       | Flow (cfs) | <i>E. coli</i> (orgs/100 ml) | Date       | Flow (cfs) | <i>E. coli</i> (orgs/100 ml) |
|------------|------------|------------------------------|------------|------------|------------------------------|
| 3/17/1999  | 128.89     | 450                          | 5/19/2004  | 1.76       | 4,100                        |
| 4/13/1999  | 5.73       | 370                          | 5/26/2004  | 57.62      | 2,000                        |
| 5/11/1999  | 6.39       | 100                          | 6/22/2004  | 3.64       | 280                          |
| 6/11/1999  | 114.57     | 2,400                        | 7/13/2004  | 28.75      | 3,100                        |
| 6/15/1999  | 12.34      | 970                          | 7/20/2004  | 0.52       | 910                          |
| 7/13/1999  | 2.42       | 490                          | 8/17/2004  | 0.48       | 450                          |
| 8/18/1999  | 0.44       | 300                          | 9/21/2004  | 0.47       | 210                          |
| 9/13/1999  | 0.14       | 74                           | 10/19/2004 | 0.60       | 10                           |
| 10/13/1999 | 0.17       | 62                           | 3/16/2005  | 1.54       | 10                           |
| 11/15/1999 | 0.03       | 10                           | 4/13/2005  | 179.57     | 580                          |
| 3/28/2000  | 0.09       | 41                           | 5/10/2005  | 1.34       | 360                          |
| 4/18/2000  | 0.14       | 10                           | 6/15/2005  | 6.54       | 478                          |
| 5/16/2000  | 0.18       | 10                           | 6/29/2005  | 6.02       | 238                          |
| 6/13/2000  | 11.02      | 41                           | 7/20/2005  | 0.08       | 1,640                        |
| 6/27/2000  | 74.91      | 500                          | 7/28/2005  | 0.27       | 1,607                        |
| 7/19/2000  | 1.54       | 320                          | 4/12/2006  | 0.25       | 248                          |
| 8/15/2000  | 0.77       | 460                          | 5/25/2006  | 6.02       | 1,733                        |
| 11/14/2000 | 0.14       | 63                           | 8/28/2006  | 0.21       | > 2419.6 <sup>(1)</sup>      |
| 3/20/2001  | 63.34      | 270                          | 9/13/2006  | 0.10       | 58                           |
| 4/17/2001  | 15.09      | 86                           | 4/25/2007  | 171.86     | > 2419.6 <sup>(1)</sup>      |
| 5/15/2001  | 142.11     | 390                          | 5/23/2007  | 1.22       | 201                          |
| 6/1/2001   | 251.18     | 1,100                        | 6/5/2007   | 6.51       | 517                          |
| 6/12/2001  | 4.52       | 100                          | 8/8/2007   | 0.13       | > 2419.6 <sup>(1)</sup>      |
| 7/11/2001  | 0.95       | 63                           | 8/21/2007  | 1.24       | 146                          |
| 8/14/2001  | 0.05       | 52                           | 9/11/2007  | 0.15       | 236                          |
| 9/27/2001  | 0.11       | 41                           | 9/27/2007  | 0.06       | 108                          |
| 10/16/2001 | 0.56       | 20                           | 10/4/2007  | 0.18       | > 2419.6 <sup>(1)</sup>      |
| 11/13/2001 | 0.41       | 20                           | 10/18/2007 | 65.22      | > 2419.6 <sup>(1)</sup>      |
| 3/26/2002  | 1.87       | 10                           | 11/13/2007 | 0.74       | 2                            |
| 4/16/2002  | 3.30       | 10                           | 5/29/2008  | 4.19       | 187                          |
| 5/14/2002  | 126.69     | 600                          | 6/3/2008   | 54.31      | > 2419.6 <sup>(1)</sup>      |
| 6/11/2002  | 3.53       | 460                          | 6/16/2008  | 73.26      | 261                          |
| 7/23/2002  | 0.18       | 500                          | 7/1/2008   | 4.56       | 225                          |
| 4/15/2003  | 0.41       | 6,000                        | 7/15/2008  | 1.62       | 517                          |
| 5/14/2003  | 2.20       | 90                           | 8/12/2008  | 3.06       | 129                          |
| 6/17/2003  | 0.56       | 640                          | 9/8/2008   | 1.09       | > 2419.6 <sup>(1)</sup>      |
| 7/15/2003  | 0.12       | 860                          | 10/27/2008 | 12.89      | 99                           |
| 7/29/2003  | 0.03       | 1,400                        | 11/4/2008  | 3.21       | 16                           |
| 9/16/2003  | 0.56       | 420                          | 5/14/2009  | 6.05       | 210                          |
| 4/21/2004  | 3.30       | 23,000                       | 5/28/2009  | 42.85      | 1,300                        |

| Date       | Flow (cfs) | <i>E. coli</i> (orgs/100 ml) |
|------------|------------|------------------------------|
| 6/18/2009  | 5.21       | 517                          |
| 6/25/2009  | 22.58      | 225                          |
| 7/16/2009  | 4.51       | 236                          |
| 8/11/2009  | 24.57      | 488                          |
| 8/17/2009  | 107.41     | 921                          |
| 9/23/2009  | 0.84       | 322                          |
| 10/27/2009 | 13.33      | 249                          |
| 3/22/2010  | 43.07      | 121                          |
| 4/19/2010  | 3.92       | 201                          |
| 4/24/2010  | 170.76     | > 2419.6 <sup>(1)</sup>      |
| 5/11/2010  | 224.74     | > 2419.6 <sup>(1)</sup>      |
| 5/26/2010  | 19.39      | 326                          |
| 6/22/2010  | 137.71     | 1,203                        |
| 7/13/2010  | 6.62       | 276                          |
| 8/11/2010  | 39.55      | 1,986                        |

| Date                       | Flow (cfs) | <i>E. coli</i> (orgs/100 ml) |
|----------------------------|------------|------------------------------|
| 9/21/2010                  | 114.57     | 2,420                        |
| 10/9/2010                  | 1.69       | 228                          |
| 8/15/2011                  | 0.99       | 280                          |
| 9/20/2011                  | 0.08       | 110                          |
| 10/18/2011                 | 0.02       | 210                          |
| 6/27/2012                  | 2.17       | 240                          |
| 7/12/2012                  | 0.01       | 410                          |
|                            |            |                              |
| Min =                      | 0.009      | 2                            |
| 1 <sup>st</sup> Quartile = | 0.42       | 108                          |
| Median =                   | 2.3        | 310                          |
| 3 <sup>rd</sup> Quartile = | 14.7       | 918                          |
| Max =                      | 251.2      | 23,000                       |
| Mean <sup>(2)</sup> =      | 26.2       | 288                          |
| Std Dev =                  | 52.3       | 2,414                        |

- (1) Individual sampling points had *E. coli* values greater than quantification value of 2,419.6 orgs/100 ml. In these cases 2,419.6 orgs/100 ml was used for calculation purposes.
- (2) For *E. coli* this is a geomean.

**Table C.22. Water Quality Data for IA 05-CHA-1337 and STORET Site #15590002 (RA-40).**

| Date       | Flow (cfs) | <i>E. coli</i> (orgs/100 ml) | Date       | Flow (cfs) | <i>E. coli</i> (orgs/100 ml) |
|------------|------------|------------------------------|------------|------------|------------------------------|
| 3/17/1999  | 99.00      | 91                           | 6/22/2004  | 2.79       | 590                          |
| 4/13/1999  | 4.40       | 27                           | 7/13/2004  | 22.08      | 12,000                       |
| 5/11/1999  | 4.91       | 410                          | 7/20/2004  | 0.40       | 800                          |
| 6/11/1999  | 88.00      | 2,400                        | 8/17/2004  | 0.37       | 490                          |
| 6/15/1999  | 9.48       | 1,600                        | 9/21/2004  | 0.36       | 330                          |
| 7/13/1999  | 1.86       | 930                          | 10/19/2004 | 0.46       | 330                          |
| 8/18/1999  | 0.34       | 1,500                        | 3/16/2005  | 1.18       | 20                           |
| 9/13/1999  | 0.11       | 510                          | 4/13/2005  | 137.92     | 360                          |
| 10/13/1999 | 0.13       | 1,200                        | 5/10/2005  | 1.03       | 90                           |
| 11/15/1999 | 0.02       | 170                          | 6/15/2005  | 5.03       | 344                          |
| 3/28/2000  | 0.07       | 20                           | 6/29/2005  | 4.62       | 738                          |
| 4/18/2000  | 0.11       | 10                           | 7/28/2005  | 0.21       | 2,142                        |
| 6/13/2000  | 8.46       | 1,200                        | 4/12/2006  | 0.19       | 29                           |
| 6/27/2000  | 57.54      | 790                          | 4/27/2006  | 0.09       | 26                           |
| 7/19/2000  | 1.18       | 200                          | 5/25/2006  | 4.62       | 517                          |
| 8/15/2000  | 0.59       | 180                          | 6/7/2006   | 0.16       | 921                          |
| 10/17/2000 | 0.05       | 610                          | 4/25/2007  | 132.00     | > 2419.6 <sup>(1)</sup>      |
| 11/14/2000 | 0.11       | 1,800                        | 5/23/2007  | 0.94       | 866                          |
| 3/20/2001  | 48.65      | 140                          | 6/5/2007   | 5.00       | 1,414                        |
| 4/17/2001  | 11.59      | 190                          | 6/21/2007  | 0.39       | > 2419.6 <sup>(1)</sup>      |
| 5/15/2001  | 109.15     | 270                          | 8/21/2007  | 0.96       | > 2419.6 <sup>(1)</sup>      |
| 6/1/2001   | 192.92     | 1,400                        | 9/11/2007  | 0.11       | 579                          |
| 6/12/2001  | 3.47       | 100                          | 10/18/2007 | 50.09      | > 2419.6 <sup>(1)</sup>      |
| 8/14/2001  | 0.04       | 160                          | 5/29/2008  | 3.22       | 1,414                        |
| 9/27/2001  | 0.08       | 140                          | 6/3/2008   | 41.72      | 1,553                        |
| 10/16/2001 | 0.43       | 210                          | 6/16/2008  | 56.27      | 1,733                        |
| 11/13/2001 | 0.31       | 31                           | 7/1/2008   | 3.50       | 980                          |
| 3/26/2002  | 1.44       | 10                           | 7/15/2008  | 1.24       | 488                          |
| 4/16/2002  | 2.54       | 27                           | 8/12/2008  | 2.35       | 30                           |
| 5/14/2002  | 97.31      | 200                          | 5/14/2009  | 4.65       | > 2419.6 <sup>(1)</sup>      |
| 6/11/2002  | 2.71       | 910                          | 5/28/2009  | 32.92      | > 2419.6 <sup>(1)</sup>      |
| 4/15/2003  | 0.31       | 10                           | 6/18/2009  | 4.00       | 687                          |
| 5/14/2003  | 1.69       | 72                           | 6/25/2009  | 17.35      | 980                          |
| 6/17/2003  | 0.43       | 600                          | 7/16/2009  | 3.46       | > 2419.6 <sup>(1)</sup>      |
| 7/15/2003  | 0.09       | 2,000                        | 8/11/2009  | 18.87      | 841                          |
| 7/29/2003  | 0.02       | 1,100                        | 8/17/2009  | 82.50      | > 2419.6 <sup>(1)</sup>      |
| 3/31/2004  | 9.05       | 40                           | 9/23/2009  | 0.64       | > 2419.6 <sup>(1)</sup>      |
| 4/21/2004  | 2.54       | 690                          | 10/27/2009 | 10.24      | 727                          |
| 5/19/2004  | 1.35       | 950                          | 3/22/2010  | 33.08      | 135                          |
| 5/26/2004  | 44.25      | 3,400                        | 4/19/2010  | 3.01       | 118                          |



| Date       | Flow (cfs) | <i>E. coli</i> (orgs/100 ml) |
|------------|------------|------------------------------|
| 4/24/2010  | 131.15     | > 2419.6 <sup>(1)</sup>      |
| 5/11/2010  | 172.62     | > 2419.6 <sup>(1)</sup>      |
| 5/26/2010  | 14.89      | 461                          |
| 8/16/2011  | 0.81       | 10,000                       |
| 9/19/2011  | 0.07       | 260                          |
| 10/17/2011 | 0.01       | 86                           |
| 6/26/2012  | 5.59       | 2,600                        |
| 7/11/2012  | 0.01       | 2,300                        |
| 10/22/2012 | 0.28       | 810                          |

| Date                       | Flow (cfs) | <i>E. coli</i> (orgs/100 ml) |
|----------------------------|------------|------------------------------|
| Min =                      | 0.007      | 10                           |
| 1 <sup>st</sup> Quartile = | 0.34       | 170                          |
| Median =                   | 2.5        | 687                          |
| 3 <sup>rd</sup> Quartile = | 11.6       | 1,553                        |
| Max =                      | 192.9      | 12,000                       |
| Mean <sup>(2)</sup> =      | 20.5       | 452                          |
| Std Dev =                  | 40.8       | 1,736                        |

- (1) Individual sampling points had *E. coli* values greater than quantification value of 2,419.6 orgs/100 ml. In these cases 2,419.6 orgs/100 ml was used for calculation purposes.
- (2) For *E. coli* this is a geomean.

**Table C.23. Water Quality Data for IA 05-CHA-1339 and STORET Site #15590003 (RA-41).**

| Date       | Flow (cfs) | <i>E. coli</i> (orgs/100 ml) | Date       | Flow (cfs) | <i>E. coli</i> (orgs/100 ml) |
|------------|------------|------------------------------|------------|------------|------------------------------|
| 3/17/1999  | 338.79     | 280                          | 7/29/2003  | 0.08       | 1,300                        |
| 4/13/1999  | 15.06      | 280                          | 8/12/2003  | 0.01       | 1,500                        |
| 5/11/1999  | 16.79      | 300                          | 9/16/2003  | 1.46       | 510                          |
| 6/11/1999  | 301.14     | 2,400                        | 3/31/2004  | 30.98      | 210                          |
| 6/15/1999  | 32.43      | 410                          | 4/21/2004  | 8.69       | 600                          |
| 7/13/1999  | 6.37       | 190                          | 5/19/2004  | 4.63       | 230                          |
| 8/18/1999  | 1.16       | 1,600                        | 5/26/2004  | 151.44     | 4,000                        |
| 9/13/1999  | 0.38       | 270                          | 6/22/2004  | 9.56       | 460                          |
| 10/13/1999 | 0.43       | 200                          | 7/13/2004  | 75.58      | 5,700                        |
| 11/15/1999 | 0.07       | 31                           | 7/20/2004  | 1.36       | 830                          |
| 3/28/2000  | 0.25       | 10                           | 8/17/2004  | 1.27       | 650                          |
| 4/18/2000  | 0.38       | 10                           | 9/21/2004  | 1.25       | 210                          |
| 5/16/2000  | 0.46       | 31                           | 10/19/2004 | 1.58       | 10                           |
| 6/13/2000  | 28.96      | 86                           | 3/16/2005  | 4.05       | 30                           |
| 6/27/2000  | 196.90     | 1,100                        | 4/13/2005  | 471.98     | 1,800                        |
| 7/19/2000  | 4.05       | 380                          | 5/10/2005  | 3.53       | 50                           |
| 8/15/2000  | 2.03       | 86                           | 6/15/2005  | 17.20      | 1,298                        |
| 9/12/2000  | 0.22       | 170                          | 6/29/2005  | 15.81      | 1,780                        |
| 10/17/2000 | 0.16       | 290                          | 7/28/2005  | 0.72       | 602                          |
| 11/14/2000 | 0.38       | 97                           | 3/16/2006  | 0.51       | 26                           |
| 3/20/2001  | 166.50     | 230                          | 4/12/2006  | 0.66       | 5                            |
| 4/17/2001  | 39.67      | 500                          | 5/25/2006  | 15.81      | > 2419.6 <sup>(1)</sup>      |
| 5/15/2001  | 373.53     | 1,200                        | 6/7/2006   | 0.54       | 2,420                        |
| 6/1/2001   | 660.20     | 3,800                        | 6/21/2006  | 0.07       | 1,011                        |
| 6/12/2001  | 11.87      | 100                          | 4/25/2007  | 451.71     | > 2419.6 <sup>(1)</sup>      |
| 7/11/2001  | 2.49       | 380                          | 5/23/2007  | 3.21       | 157                          |
| 8/14/2001  | 0.14       | 200                          | 6/21/2007  | 1.33       | 276                          |
| 9/27/2001  | 0.28       | 280                          | 8/8/2007   | 0.35       | 411                          |
| 10/16/2001 | 1.48       | 250                          | 8/21/2007  | 3.27       | > 2419.6 <sup>(1)</sup>      |
| 11/13/2001 | 1.07       | 41                           | 9/11/2007  | 0.38       | 201                          |
| 3/26/2002  | 4.92       | 20                           | 9/27/2007  | 0.17       | 291                          |
| 4/16/2002  | 8.69       | 270                          | 10/4/2007  | 0.47       | 104                          |
| 5/14/2002  | 332.99     | 1,500                        | 10/18/2007 | 171.42     | > 2419.6 <sup>(1)</sup>      |
| 6/11/2002  | 9.27       | 1,000                        | 11/13/2007 | 1.94       | 31                           |
| 7/23/2002  | 0.46       | 1,200                        | 5/29/2008  | 11.00      | 150                          |
| 8/13/2002  | 0.13       | 1,100                        | 6/3/2008   | 142.75     | 1,986                        |
| 4/15/2003  | 1.07       | 20                           | 6/16/2008  | 192.56     | 387                          |
| 5/14/2003  | 5.79       | 110                          | 7/1/2008   | 11.99      | 687                          |
| 6/17/2003  | 1.48       | 940                          | 7/15/2008  | 4.26       | 313                          |
| 7/15/2003  | 0.32       | 490                          | 8/12/2008  | 8.05       | 158                          |

| Date       | Flow (cfs) | <i>E. coli</i> (orgs/100 ml) |
|------------|------------|------------------------------|
| 9/8/2008   | 2.87       | 167                          |
| 10/27/2008 | 33.88      | 687                          |
| 11/4/2008  | 8.43       | 24                           |
| 5/14/2009  | 15.90      | 365                          |
| 5/28/2009  | 112.64     | 1,300                        |
| 6/18/2009  | 13.70      | 1,046                        |
| 6/25/2009  | 59.36      | 687                          |
| 7/16/2009  | 11.84      | 866                          |
| 8/11/2009  | 64.57      | 2,420                        |
| 8/17/2009  | 282.32     | > 2419.6 <sup>(1)</sup>      |
| 9/23/2009  | 2.21       | 579                          |
| 10/27/2009 | 35.04      | 1,120                        |
| 3/22/2010  | 113.22     | 727                          |
| 4/19/2010  | 10.31      | 64                           |
| 4/24/2010  | 448.82     | > 2419.6 <sup>(1)</sup>      |
| 5/11/2010  | 590.70     | > 2419.6 <sup>(1)</sup>      |
| 5/26/2010  | 50.96      | > 2419.6 <sup>(1)</sup>      |
| 6/22/2010  | 361.95     | > 2419.6 <sup>(1)</sup>      |
| 7/13/2010  | 17.40      | 365                          |
| 8/11/2010  | 103.95     | > 2419.6 <sup>(1)</sup>      |
| 9/21/2010  | 301.14     | > 2419.6 <sup>(1)</sup>      |
| 10/9/2010  | 4.43       | 193                          |

| Date                       | Flow (cfs) | <i>E. coli</i> (orgs/100 ml) |
|----------------------------|------------|------------------------------|
| 4/16/2011                  | 233.68     | 13,000                       |
| 5/12/2011                  | 28.23      | 8,200                        |
| 5/21/2011                  | 187.06     | 24,000                       |
| 8/6/2011                   | 18.01      | 9,800                        |
| 8/16/2011                  | 2.77       | 1,500                        |
| 9/19/2011                  | 0.25       | 210                          |
| 10/17/2011                 | 0.04       | 20                           |
| 4/14/2012                  | 32.43      | 6,900                        |
| 5/3/2012                   | 495.15     | 16,000                       |
| 6/18/2012                  | 48.36      | 8,200                        |
| 6/26/2012                  | 19.14      | 790                          |
| 7/12/2012                  | 0.02       | 720                          |
| 10/22/2012                 | 0.95       | 440                          |
|                            |            |                              |
| Min =                      | 0.012      | 5                            |
| 1 <sup>st</sup> Quartile = | 1.01       | 197                          |
| Median =                   | 8.0        | 490                          |
| 3 <sup>rd</sup> Quartile = | 44.0       | 1,500                        |
| Max =                      | 660.2      | 24,000                       |
| Mean <sup>(2)</sup> =      | 70.5       | 458                          |
| Std Dev =                  | 137.6      | 3,216                        |

- (1) Individual sampling points had *E. coli* values greater than quantification value of 2,419.6 orgs/100 ml. In these cases 2,419.6 orgs/100 ml was used for calculation purposes.
- (2) For *E. coli* this is a geomean.

**Table C.24. Water Quality Data for IA 05-CHA-1341 and STORET Site #15590004 (RA-42).**

| Date       | Flow (cfs) | <i>E. coli</i> (orgs/100 ml) | Date       | Flow (cfs) | <i>E. coli</i> (orgs/100 ml) |
|------------|------------|------------------------------|------------|------------|------------------------------|
| 3/17/1999  | 86.79      | 650                          | 6/22/2004  | 2.45       | 600                          |
| 4/13/1999  | 3.86       | 760                          | 7/13/2004  | 19.36      | 5,600                        |
| 5/11/1999  | 4.30       | 470                          | 3/16/2005  | 1.04       | 20                           |
| 6/11/1999  | 77.14      | 2,400                        | 4/13/2005  | 120.91     | 1,900                        |
| 6/15/1999  | 8.31       | 980                          | 5/10/2005  | 0.90       | 530                          |
| 7/13/1999  | 1.63       | 570                          | 6/15/2005  | 4.41       | 4,060                        |
| 8/18/1999  | 0.30       | 520                          | 6/29/2005  | 4.05       | 5,310                        |
| 9/13/1999  | 0.10       | 150                          | 4/12/2006  | 0.17       | 613                          |
| 10/13/1999 | 0.11       | 110                          | 5/25/2006  | 4.05       | > 2419.6 <sup>(n)</sup>      |
| 3/28/2000  | 0.06       | 20                           | 8/28/2006  | 0.14       | > 2419.6 <sup>(n)</sup>      |
| 4/18/2000  | 0.10       | 260                          | 4/25/2007  | 115.71     | > 2419.6 <sup>(n)</sup>      |
| 5/16/2000  | 0.12       | 430                          | 6/5/2007   | 4.38       | 1,120                        |
| 6/13/2000  | 7.42       | 10                           | 8/8/2007   | 0.09       | > 2419.6 <sup>(n)</sup>      |
| 6/27/2000  | 50.44      | 1,000                        | 8/21/2007  | 0.84       | > 2419.6 <sup>(n)</sup>      |
| 7/19/2000  | 1.04       | 120                          | 9/11/2007  | 0.10       | 816                          |
| 11/14/2000 | 0.10       | 270                          | 9/27/2007  | 0.04       | 548                          |
| 3/20/2001  | 42.65      | 880                          | 10/4/2007  | 0.12       | 517                          |
| 4/17/2001  | 10.16      | 470                          | 10/18/2007 | 43.91      | > 2419.6 <sup>(n)</sup>      |
| 5/15/2001  | 95.69      | 4,900                        | 11/13/2007 | 0.50       | 1,553                        |
| 6/1/2001   | 169.12     | 5,000                        | 5/29/2008  | 2.82       | 579                          |
| 6/12/2001  | 3.04       | 410                          | 6/3/2008   | 36.57      | 2,420                        |
| 7/11/2001  | 0.64       | 400                          | 6/16/2008  | 49.33      | 488                          |
| 8/14/2001  | 0.04       | 220                          | 7/1/2008   | 3.07       | 461                          |
| 9/27/2001  | 0.07       | 110                          | 7/15/2008  | 1.09       | 488                          |
| 10/16/2001 | 0.38       | 1,500                        | 8/12/2008  | 2.06       | 178                          |
| 11/13/2001 | 0.27       | 1,300                        | 9/8/2008   | 0.74       | 1,733                        |
| 3/26/2002  | 1.26       | 10                           | 10/27/2008 | 8.68       | 1,046                        |
| 4/16/2002  | 2.23       | 500                          | 5/14/2009  | 4.07       | 1,203                        |
| 5/14/2002  | 85.30      | 2,000                        | 5/28/2009  | 28.85      | > 2419.6 <sup>(n)</sup>      |
| 6/11/2002  | 2.37       | 1,900                        | 6/18/2009  | 3.51       | 866                          |
| 4/15/2003  | 0.27       | 81                           | 6/25/2009  | 15.21      | 461                          |
| 5/14/2003  | 1.48       | 520                          | 7/16/2009  | 3.03       | > 2419.6 <sup>(n)</sup>      |
| 6/17/2003  | 0.38       | 80                           | 8/11/2009  | 16.54      | > 2419.6 <sup>(n)</sup>      |
| 7/15/2003  | 0.08       | 530                          | 8/17/2009  | 72.32      | > 2419.6 <sup>(n)</sup>      |
| 7/29/2003  | 0.02       | 190                          | 9/23/2009  | 0.57       | 276                          |
| 9/16/2003  | 0.37       | 1,400                        | 10/27/2009 | 8.98       | 1,046                        |
| 4/21/2004  | 2.23       | 670                          | 3/22/2010  | 29.00      | 172                          |
| 5/19/2004  | 1.19       | 2,300                        | 4/19/2010  | 2.64       | 579                          |
| 5/26/2004  | 38.79      | 4,100                        | 4/24/2010  | 114.97     | > 2419.6 <sup>(n)</sup>      |
| 6/15/2004  | 144.64     | 4,500                        | 5/11/2010  | 151.32     | > 2419.6 <sup>(n)</sup>      |

| Date       | Flow (cfs) | <i>E. coli</i> (orgs/100 ml) |
|------------|------------|------------------------------|
| 5/26/2010  | 13.05      | 866                          |
| 6/22/2010  | 92.72      | 2,420                        |
| 7/13/2010  | 4.46       | 1,120                        |
| 8/11/2010  | 26.63      | 2,420                        |
| 9/21/2010  | 77.14      | 1,300                        |
| 10/9/2010  | 1.13       | 1,986                        |
| 8/15/2011  | 0.67       | 620                          |
| 9/20/2011  | 0.05       | 750                          |
| 10/18/2011 | 0.01       | <10 <sup>(1)</sup>           |
| 6/27/2012  | 1.46       | 460                          |

| Date                       | Flow (cfs) | <i>E. coli</i> (orgs/100 ml) |
|----------------------------|------------|------------------------------|
| 7/12/2012                  | 0.01       | 41                           |
|                            |            |                              |
| Min =                      | 0.006      | 10                           |
| 1 <sup>st</sup> Quartile = | 0.38       | 461                          |
| Median =                   | 2.4        | 760                          |
| 3 <sup>rd</sup> Quartile = | 18.0       | 2,350                        |
| Max =                      | 169.1      | 5,600                        |
| Mean <sup>(2)</sup> =      | 21.3       | 679                          |
| Std Dev =                  | 38.9       | 1,298                        |

(1) Individual sampling points had *E. coli* values greater than quantification value of 2,419.6 orgs/100 ml. In these cases 2,419.6 orgs/100 ml was used for calculation purposes.

(2) For *E. coli* this is a geomean.

**Table C.25. Water Quality Data for IA 05-CHA-2019 and STORET Site #15680001 (RA-43).**

| Date       | Flow (cfs) | <i>E. coli</i> (orgs/100 ml) | Date       | Flow (cfs) | <i>E. coli</i> (orgs/100 ml) |
|------------|------------|------------------------------|------------|------------|------------------------------|
| 6/11/1999  | 42.86      | 2,400                        | 3/16/2005  | 0.58       | 40                           |
| 6/15/1999  | 4.62       | 1,600                        | 4/13/2005  | 67.17      | 230                          |
| 7/13/1999  | 0.91       | 290                          | 5/10/2005  | 0.50       | 40                           |
| 8/18/1999  | 0.16       | 100                          | 4/12/2006  | 0.09       | 58                           |
| 9/13/1999  | 0.05       | 63                           | 4/27/2006  | 0.05       | 34                           |
| 3/28/2000  | 0.04       | 1,300                        | 4/25/2007  | 64.29      | > 2419.6 <sup>(n)</sup>      |
| 4/18/2000  | 0.05       | 20                           | 8/8/2007   | 0.05       | > 2419.6 <sup>(n)</sup>      |
| 5/16/2000  | 0.07       | 10                           | 8/21/2007  | 0.47       | > 2419.6 <sup>(n)</sup>      |
| 6/13/2000  | 4.12       | 61                           | 9/11/2007  | 0.05       | 121                          |
| 6/27/2000  | 28.02      | 550                          | 10/18/2007 | 24.40      | > 2419.6 <sup>(n)</sup>      |
| 7/19/2000  | 0.58       | 4,400                        | 11/13/2007 | 0.28       | 326                          |
| 8/15/2000  | 0.29       | 1,200                        | 5/29/2008  | 1.57       | 345                          |
| 10/17/2000 | 0.02       | 10                           | 6/3/2008   | 20.32      | > 2419.6 <sup>(n)</sup>      |
| 11/14/2000 | 0.05       | 10                           | 6/16/2008  | 27.40      | 365                          |
| 3/20/2001  | 23.70      | 160                          | 7/1/2008   | 1.71       | 285                          |
| 4/17/2001  | 5.65       | 200                          | 7/15/2008  | 0.61       | 921                          |
| 5/15/2001  | 53.16      | 170                          | 8/12/2008  | 1.15       | 1,986                        |
| 6/1/2001   | 93.96      | 440                          | 9/8/2008   | 0.41       | > 2419.6 <sup>(n)</sup>      |
| 6/12/2001  | 1.69       | 520                          | 10/27/2008 | 4.82       | 299                          |
| 7/11/2001  | 0.35       | 680                          | 11/4/2008  | 1.20       | 11                           |
| 8/14/2001  | 0.02       | 74                           | 5/14/2009  | 2.26       | > 2419.6 <sup>(n)</sup>      |
| 9/27/2001  | 0.04       | 460                          | 5/28/2009  | 16.03      | > 2419.6 <sup>(n)</sup>      |
| 10/16/2001 | 0.21       | 98                           | 6/18/2009  | 1.95       | 436                          |
| 11/13/2001 | 0.15       | 150                          | 6/25/2009  | 8.45       | 285                          |
| 3/26/2002  | 0.70       | 10                           | 7/16/2009  | 1.69       | 1,203                        |
| 4/16/2002  | 1.24       | 10                           | 8/11/2009  | 9.19       | 921                          |
| 5/14/2002  | 47.39      | 420                          | 8/17/2009  | 40.18      | 2,420                        |
| 6/11/2002  | 1.32       | 3,100                        | 9/23/2009  | 0.31       | 816                          |
| 4/15/2003  | 0.15       | 10                           | 10/27/2009 | 4.99       | 387                          |
| 5/14/2003  | 0.82       | 72                           | 3/22/2010  | 16.11      | 21                           |
| 6/17/2003  | 0.21       | 260                          | 4/19/2010  | 1.47       | 135                          |
| 7/15/2003  | 0.05       | 1,400                        | 4/24/2010  | 63.87      | > 2419.6 <sup>(n)</sup>      |
| 7/29/2003  | 0.01       | 550                          | 5/11/2010  | 84.07      | 980                          |
| 3/31/2004  | 4.41       | 130                          | 5/26/2010  | 7.25       | 291                          |
| 5/26/2004  | 21.55      | 950                          | 6/22/2010  | 51.51      | 1,203                        |
| 6/15/2004  | 80.36      | 2,100                        | 7/13/2010  | 2.48       | 687                          |
| 6/22/2004  | 1.36       | 880                          | 8/11/2010  | 14.79      | 2,420                        |
| 7/13/2004  | 10.76      | 930                          | 9/21/2010  | 42.86      | 579                          |
| 7/20/2004  | 0.19       | 1,400                        | 8/16/2011  | 0.39       | 2,900                        |
| 9/21/2004  | 0.18       | 80                           | 9/19/2011  | 0.04       | 180                          |

| Date                       | Flow (cfs) | <i>E. coli</i> (orgs/100 ml) |
|----------------------------|------------|------------------------------|
| 10/17/2011                 | 0.01       | 370                          |
| 6/26/2012                  | 2.72       | 440                          |
| 7/11/2012                  | 0.003      | 34,000                       |
|                            |            |                              |
| Min =                      | 0.003      | 10                           |
| 1 <sup>st</sup> Quartile = | 0.19       | 126                          |

| Date                       | Flow (cfs) | <i>E. coli</i> (orgs/100 ml) |
|----------------------------|------------|------------------------------|
| Median =                   | 1.3        | 436                          |
| 3 <sup>rd</sup> Quartile = | 12.8       | 1,350                        |
| Max =                      | 94.0       | 34,000                       |
| Mean <sup>(2)</sup> =      | 12.3       | 353                          |
| Std Dev =                  | 22.0       | 3,743                        |

- (1) Individual sampling points had *E. coli* values greater than quantification value of 2,419.6 orgs/100 ml. In these cases 2,419.6 orgs/100 ml was used for calculation purposes.
- (2) For *E. coli* this is a geomean.

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Table C.26. Water Quality Data for IA 05-CHA-1327 and STORET Site #15930001 (RA-12).

| Date       | Flow (cfs) | <i>E. coli</i> (orgs/100 ml) | Date       | Flow (cfs) | <i>E. coli</i> (orgs/100 ml) |
|------------|------------|------------------------------|------------|------------|------------------------------|
| 3/17/1999  | 340.05     | 420                          | 4/15/2003  | 0.60       | 90                           |
| 4/13/1999  | 19.28      | 200                          | 5/14/2003  | 6.23       | 120                          |
| 5/11/1999  | 11.50      | 330                          | 6/17/2003  | 1.11       | 200                          |
| 6/11/1999  | 213.23     | 2,400                        | 7/15/2003  | 0.53       | 310                          |
| 6/15/1999  | 19.65      | 740                          | 7/29/2003  | 1.59       | 920                          |
| 7/13/1999  | 1.97       | 100                          | 8/12/2003  | 0.17       | 120                          |
| 8/18/1999  | 0.96       | 1,300                        | 9/16/2003  | 2.04       | 550                          |
| 9/13/1999  | 0.48       | 470                          | 10/16/2003 | 1.49       | 60                           |
| 10/13/1999 | 0.32       | 210                          | 3/31/2004  | 32.67      | 410                          |
| 11/15/1999 | 0.48       | 31                           | 4/21/2004  | 10.01      | 420                          |
| 3/28/2000  | 0.59       | 41                           | 5/19/2004  | 9.68       | 51,000                       |
| 4/18/2000  | 0.56       | 10                           | 5/26/2004  | 40.42      | 3,200                        |
| 5/16/2000  | 0.19       | 10                           | 6/22/2004  | 14.65      | 300                          |
| 6/13/2000  | 1.00       | 360                          | 7/13/2004  | 40.79      | 4,600                        |
| 6/27/2000  | 74.54      | 930                          | 7/20/2004  | 2.43       | 350                          |
| 7/19/2000  | 4.08       | 930                          | 8/17/2004  | 2.47       | 430                          |
| 8/15/2000  | 1.41       | 390                          | 9/21/2004  | 1.34       | 300                          |
| 9/12/2000  | 0.09       | 85                           | 10/19/2004 | 1.25       | 120                          |
| 10/17/2000 | 0.10       | 86                           | 3/16/2005  | 6.16       | 36                           |
| 11/14/2000 | 0.82       | 850                          | 4/13/2005  | 133.87     | 2,900                        |
| 3/20/2001  | 301.49     | 610                          | 5/10/2005  | 4.97       | 100                          |
| 4/17/2001  | 37.08      | 290                          | 6/15/2005  | 6.27       | 782                          |
| 5/15/2001  | 143.14     | 6,900                        | 6/29/2005  | 54.14      | 1,652                        |
| 6/1/2001   | 574.79     | 3,800                        | 7/20/2005  | 1.19       | 364                          |
| 6/12/2001  | 14.83      | 100                          | 7/28/2005  | 3.19       | 2,400                        |
| 7/11/2001  | 2.56       | 300                          | 8/25/2005  | 0.52       | 393                          |
| 8/14/2001  | 0.56       | 990                          | 9/13/2005  | 0.19       | 59                           |
| 9/27/2001  | 0.74       | 1,700                        | 3/16/2006  | 1.40       | 28                           |
| 10/16/2001 | 1.11       | 280                          | 4/12/2006  | 1.85       | 62                           |
| 11/13/2001 | 1.48       | 140                          | 4/27/2006  | 0.89       | 64                           |
| 3/26/2002  | 5.93       | 10                           | 5/25/2006  | 13.42      | > 2419.6 <sup>(1)</sup>      |
| 4/16/2002  | 11.13      | 10                           | 6/7/2006   | 0.30       | 238                          |
| 5/14/2002  | 74.54      | 840                          | 6/21/2006  | 0.18       | 119                          |
| 6/11/2002  | 8.53       | 1,300                        | 7/27/2006  | 0.10       | 330                          |
| 7/23/2002  | 0.45       | 270                          | 8/28/2006  | 0.63       | 1,986                        |
| 8/13/2002  | 0.48       | 390                          | 9/13/2006  | 0.57       | 411                          |
| 9/17/2002  | 0.32       | 50                           | 10/12/2006 | 0.09       | 93                           |
| 10/24/2002 | 0.26       | 140                          | 4/25/2007  | 1,449.96   | > 2419.6 <sup>(1)</sup>      |
| 11/12/2002 | 0.27       | 80                           | 5/23/2007  | 4.34       | 126                          |



| Date       | Flow (cfs) | <i>E. coli</i> (orgs/100 ml) |
|------------|------------|------------------------------|
| 6/5/2007   | 11.09      | 579                          |
| 6/21/2007  | 2.10       | 387                          |
| 7/17/2007  | 0.68       | 157                          |
| 7/26/2007  | 0.42       | 91                           |
| 8/8/2007   | 101.608    | > 2419.6 <sup>(1)</sup>      |
| 8/21/2007  | 1.787      | 2,420                        |
| 9/11/2007  | 3.393      | 122                          |
| 9/27/2007  | 2.295      | 548                          |
| 10/4/2007  | 5.451      | 2,420                        |
| 10/18/2007 | 545.125    | > 2419.6 <sup>(1)</sup>      |
| 11/13/2007 | 3.197      | 144                          |
| 5/29/2008  | 24.957     | 387                          |
| 6/3/2008   | 956.750    | 1,986                        |
| 6/16/2008  | 102.350    | > 2419.6 <sup>(1)</sup>      |
| 7/1/2008   | 29.741     | 173                          |
| 7/15/2008  | 15.723     | 291                          |
| 8/12/2008  | 9.790      | 35                           |
| 9/8/2008   | 8.455      | 272                          |
| 10/27/2008 | 17.948     | 921                          |
| 11/4/2008  | 4.487      | 41                           |
| 5/14/2009  | 79.358     | > 2419.6 <sup>(1)</sup>      |
| 5/28/2009  | 71.942     | > 2419.6 <sup>(1)</sup>      |
| 6/18/2009  | 12.794     | 147                          |
| 6/25/2009  | 61.929     | 173                          |
| 7/16/2009  | 15.019     | > 2419.6 <sup>(1)</sup>      |
| 8/11/2009  | 12.794     | 1,300                        |
| 8/17/2009  | 500.625    | > 2419.6 <sup>(1)</sup>      |
| 9/23/2009  | 4.116      | 238                          |
| 10/27/2009 | 59.704     | 2,420                        |

| Date                       | Flow (cfs) | <i>E. coli</i> (orgs/100 ml) |
|----------------------------|------------|------------------------------|
| 3/22/2010                  | 210.633    | 285                          |
| 4/19/2010                  | 12.015     | 40                           |
| 4/24/2010                  | 370.833    | > 2419.6 <sup>(1)</sup>      |
| 5/11/2010                  | 1,449.958  | > 2419.6 <sup>(1)</sup>      |
| 5/26/2010                  | 305.196    | > 2419.6 <sup>(1)</sup>      |
| 6/22/2010                  | 138.321    | > 2419.6 <sup>(1)</sup>      |
| 7/13/2010                  | 18.838     | 488                          |
| 8/11/2010                  | 141.288    | > 2419.6 <sup>(1)</sup>      |
| 9/21/2010                  | 534.000    | 1,986                        |
| 10/9/2010                  | 12.423     | 109                          |
| 4/16/2011                  | 452.417    | 16,000                       |
| 5/12/2011                  | 34.450     | 8,200                        |
| 6/21/2011                  | 97.529     | 25,000                       |
| 7/25/2011                  | 3.200      | 54,000                       |
| 8/15/2011                  | 0.979      | 170                          |
| 9/19/2011                  | 0.508      | 110                          |
| 10/17/2011                 | 0.675      | 190                          |
| 5/3/2012                   | 167.246    | 20,000                       |
| 6/26/2012                  | 2.377      | 550                          |
| 7/11/2012                  | 0.171      | 5                            |
| 10/22/2012                 | 5.043      | 2,000                        |
|                            |            |                              |
| Min =                      | 0.085      | 10                           |
| 1 <sup>st</sup> Quartile = | 0.89       | 122                          |
| Median =                   | 5.0        | 387                          |
| 3 <sup>rd</sup> Quartile = | 37.1       | 1,986                        |
| Max =                      | 1,450.0    | 54,000                       |
| Mean <sup>(2)</sup> =      | 82.7       | 436                          |
| Std Dev =                  | 225.2      | 7,205                        |

- (1) Individual sampling points had *E. coli* values greater than quantification value of 2,419.6 orgs/100 ml. In these cases 2,419.6 orgs/100 ml was used for calculation purposes.  
(2) For *E. coli* this is a geomean.

**Table C.27. Water Quality Data for IA 05-CHA-1328 and STORET Site #15930002 (RA-35).**

| Date       | Flow (cfs) | <i>E. coli</i> (orgs/100 ml) | Date       | Flow (cfs) | <i>E. coli</i> (orgs/100 ml) |
|------------|------------|------------------------------|------------|------------|------------------------------|
| 3/17/1999  | 221.61     | 100                          | 5/19/2004  | 6.31       | 2,500                        |
| 4/13/1999  | 12.57      | 350                          | 5/26/2004  | 26.34      | 910                          |
| 5/11/1999  | 7.49       | 400                          | 6/15/2004  | 306.92     | 2,600                        |
| 6/11/1999  | 138.96     | 2,400                        | 7/13/2004  | 26.58      | 4,000                        |
| 6/15/1999  | 12.81      | 630                          | 7/20/2004  | 1.58       | 45,000                       |
| 7/13/1999  | 1.28       | 100                          | 8/17/2004  | 1.61       | 81                           |
| 8/18/1999  | 0.63       | 200                          | 9/21/2004  | 0.87       | 50                           |
| 9/13/1999  | 0.31       | 620                          | 10/19/2004 | 0.81       | 80                           |
| 10/13/1999 | 0.21       | 85                           | 3/16/2005  | 4.01       | 10                           |
| 3/28/2000  | 0.39       | 10                           | 4/13/2005  | 87.24      | 4,000                        |
| 4/18/2000  | 0.36       | 10                           | 5/10/2005  | 3.24       | 270                          |
| 5/16/2000  | 0.12       | 10                           | 6/15/2005  | 4.08       | 406                          |
| 6/13/2000  | 0.65       | 10                           | 6/29/2005  | 35.28      | 1,370                        |
| 6/27/2000  | 48.58      | 1,500                        | 7/28/2005  | 2.08       | 12,997                       |
| 7/19/2000  | 2.66       | 260                          | 4/12/2006  | 1.21       | 96                           |
| 8/15/2000  | 0.92       | 680                          | 4/27/2006  | 0.58       | 45                           |
| 10/17/2000 | 0.07       | 150                          | 5/25/2006  | 8.75       | 1,986                        |
| 11/14/2000 | 0.53       | 98                           | 4/25/2007  | 944.92     | > 2419.6 <sup>(1)</sup>      |
| 3/20/2001  | 196.48     | 320                          | 5/23/2007  | 2.83       | 74                           |
| 4/17/2001  | 24.17      | 430                          | 6/5/2007   | 7.23       | 649                          |
| 5/15/2001  | 93.28      | 16,000                       | 6/21/2007  | 1.37       | 161                          |
| 6/1/2001   | 374.58     | 6,600                        | 8/8/2007   | 66.22      | > 2419.6 <sup>(1)</sup>      |
| 6/12/2001  | 9.67       | 200                          | 8/21/2007  | 1.16       | > 2419.6 <sup>(1)</sup>      |
| 7/11/2001  | 1.67       | 63                           | 9/11/2007  | 2.21       | 1,300                        |
| 8/14/2001  | 0.36       | 20                           | 9/27/2007  | 1.50       | 613                          |
| 9/27/2001  | 0.48       | 430                          | 10/4/2007  | 3.55       | > 2419.6 <sup>(1)</sup>      |
| 10/16/2001 | 0.73       | 390                          | 10/18/2007 | 355.25     | > 2419.6 <sup>(1)</sup>      |
| 11/13/2001 | 0.97       | 85                           | 11/13/2007 | 2.08       | 49                           |
| 3/26/2002  | 3.87       | 10                           | 5/29/2008  | 16.26      | 727                          |
| 4/16/2002  | 7.25       | 73                           | 6/3/2008   | 623.50     | 1,414                        |
| 5/14/2002  | 48.58      | 520                          | 6/16/2008  | 66.70      | 2,420                        |
| 6/11/2002  | 5.56       | 900                          | 7/1/2008   | 19.38      | 1,733                        |
| 7/23/2002  | 0.29       | 250                          | 7/15/2008  | 10.25      | 435                          |
| 4/15/2003  | 0.39       | 10                           | 8/12/2008  | 6.38       | 184                          |
| 5/14/2003  | 4.06       | 140                          | 9/8/2008   | 5.51       | 1,553                        |
| 6/17/2003  | 0.73       | 150                          | 10/27/2008 | 11.70      | 1,203                        |
| 7/15/2003  | 0.34       | 310                          | 11/4/2008  | 2.92       | 145                          |
| 7/29/2003  | 1.03       | 3,600                        | 5/14/2009  | 51.72      | > 2419.6 <sup>(1)</sup>      |
| 9/16/2003  | 1.33       | 590                          | 5/28/2009  | 46.88      | 1,986                        |
| 10/16/2003 | 0.97       | 40                           | 6/18/2009  | 8.34       | 727                          |

| Date       | Flow (cfs) | <i>E. coli</i> (orgs/100 ml) |
|------------|------------|------------------------------|
| 6/25/2009  | 40.36      | 1,733                        |
| 7/16/2009  | 9.79       | 649                          |
| 8/11/2009  | 8.338      | 1,553                        |
| 8/17/2009  | 326.250    | > 2419.6 <sup>(1)</sup>      |
| 9/23/2009  | 2.683      | 152                          |
| 10/27/2009 | 38.908     | 1,986                        |
| 3/22/2010  | 137.267    | 166                          |
| 4/19/2010  | 7.830      | 24                           |
| 4/24/2010  | 241.667    | > 2419.6 <sup>(1)</sup>      |
| 5/11/2010  | 944.917    | > 2419.6 <sup>(1)</sup>      |
| 5/26/2010  | 198.892    | > 2419.6 <sup>(1)</sup>      |
| 6/22/2010  | 90.142     | 1,046                        |
| 7/13/2010  | 12.277     | 613                          |
| 8/11/2010  | 92.075     | > 2419.6 <sup>(1)</sup>      |
| 9/21/2010  | 348.000    | 1,986                        |

| Date                       | Flow (cfs) | <i>E. coli</i> (orgs/100 ml) |
|----------------------------|------------|------------------------------|
| 10/9/2010                  | 8.096      | 118                          |
| 8/15/2011                  | 0.638      | 180                          |
| 9/20/2011                  | 0.338      | 310                          |
| 10/18/2011                 | 0.479      | 2,100                        |
| 6/27/2012                  | 1.032      | 690                          |
| 7/12/2012                  | 0.128      | 63                           |
|                            |            |                              |
| Min =                      | 0.068      | 10                           |
| 1 <sup>st</sup> Quartile = | 0.97       | 118                          |
| Median =                   | 5.5        | 520                          |
| 3 <sup>rd</sup> Quartile = | 38.9       | 1,986                        |
| Max =                      | 944.9      | 45,000                       |
| Mean <sup>(2)</sup> =      | 64.5       | 418                          |
| Std Dev =                  | 161.3      | 4,864                        |

- (1) Individual sampling points had *E. coli* values greater than quantification value of 2,419.6 orgs/100 ml. In these cases 2,419.6 orgs/100 ml was used for calculation purposes.
- (2) For *E. coli* this is a geomean.

**Table C.28. Water Quality Data for IA 05-CHA-1329 and STORET Site #15930005 (RA-38).**

| Date       | Flow (cfs) | <i>E. coli</i> (orgs/100 ml) |
|------------|------------|------------------------------|
| 3/17/1999  | 87.33      | 260                          |
| 4/13/1999  | 4.95       | 250                          |
| 5/11/1999  | 2.95       | 4,100                        |
| 6/11/1999  | 54.76      | 2,400                        |
| 6/15/1999  | 5.05       | 630                          |
| 7/13/1999  | 0.50       | 60                           |
| 8/18/1999  | 0.25       | 100                          |
| 3/28/2000  | 0.15       | 10                           |
| 4/18/2000  | 0.14       | 95                           |
| 5/16/2000  | 0.05       | 31                           |
| 6/13/2000  | 0.26       | 330                          |
| 6/27/2000  | 19.14      | 380                          |
| 7/19/2000  | 1.05       | 24,000                       |
| 8/15/2000  | 0.36       | 160                          |
| 10/17/2000 | 0.03       | 41                           |
| 11/14/2000 | 0.21       | 200                          |
| 3/20/2001  | 77.43      | 86                           |
| 4/17/2001  | 9.52       | 210                          |
| 5/15/2001  | 36.76      | 1,600                        |
| 6/1/2001   | 147.62     | 1,300                        |
| 6/12/2001  | 3.81       | 200                          |
| 7/11/2001  | 0.66       | 31                           |
| 8/14/2001  | 0.14       | 74                           |
| 9/27/2001  | 0.19       | 110                          |
| 10/16/2001 | 0.29       | 74                           |
| 11/13/2001 | 0.38       | 52                           |
| 3/26/2002  | 1.52       | 10                           |
| 4/16/2002  | 2.86       | 100                          |
| 5/14/2002  | 19.14      | 2,100                        |
| 6/11/2002  | 2.19       | 210                          |
| 4/15/2003  | 0.15       | 10                           |
| 5/14/2003  | 1.60       | 200                          |
| 6/17/2003  | 0.29       | 180                          |
| 7/15/2003  | 0.14       | 400                          |
| 7/29/2003  | 0.41       | 1,000                        |
| 3/31/2004  | 8.39       | 340                          |
| 4/21/2004  | 2.57       | 480                          |
| 5/19/2004  | 2.49       | 6,400                        |
| 6/22/2004  | 3.76       | 670                          |
| 7/13/2004  | 10.48      | 2,600                        |

| Date       | Flow (cfs) | <i>E. coli</i> (orgs/100 ml) |
|------------|------------|------------------------------|
| 7/20/2004  | 0.62       | 1,200                        |
| 8/17/2004  | 0.63       | 680                          |
| 10/19/2004 | 0.32       | 240                          |
| 3/16/2005  | 1.58       | 10                           |
| 4/13/2005  | 34.38      | 2,500                        |
| 5/10/2005  | 1.28       | 120                          |
| 6/15/2005  | 1.61       | 3,840                        |
| 6/29/2005  | 13.90      | 1,920                        |
| 4/12/2006  | 0.48       | 49                           |
| 4/25/2007  | 372.38     | > 2419.6 <sup>(1)</sup>      |
| 5/23/2007  | 1.11       | 142                          |
| 6/5/2007   | 2.85       | 579                          |
| 8/8/2007   | 26.10      | > 2419.6 <sup>(1)</sup>      |
| 9/11/2007  | 0.87       | 687                          |
| 9/27/2007  | 0.59       | 249                          |
| 10/4/2007  | 1.40       | 192                          |
| 10/18/2007 | 140.00     | > 2419.6 <sup>(1)</sup>      |
| 11/13/2007 | 0.82       | 313                          |
| 5/29/2008  | 6.41       | 326                          |
| 6/3/2008   | 245.71     | 2,420                        |
| 6/16/2008  | 26.29      | 365                          |
| 7/1/2008   | 7.64       | 238                          |
| 7/15/2008  | 4.04       | 67                           |
| 5/14/2009  | 20.38      | > 2419.6 <sup>(1)</sup>      |
| 5/28/2009  | 18.48      | > 2419.6 <sup>(1)</sup>      |
| 6/18/2009  | 3.29       | 1,203                        |
| 6/25/2009  | 15.90      | 238                          |
| 7/16/2009  | 3.86       | 2,420                        |
| 8/11/2009  | 3.29       | 816                          |
| 8/17/2009  | 128.57     | > 2419.6 <sup>(1)</sup>      |
| 9/23/2009  | 1.06       | 185                          |
| 10/27/2009 | 15.33      | 649                          |
| 3/22/2010  | 54.10      | 87                           |
| 4/19/2010  | 3.09       | 866                          |
| 4/24/2010  | 95.24      | > 2419.6 <sup>(1)</sup>      |
| 5/11/2010  | 372.38     | > 2419.6 <sup>(1)</sup>      |
| 5/26/2010  | 78.38      | 228                          |
| 9/21/2010  | 137.14     | 980                          |
| 8/16/2011  | 0.46       | 180                          |
| 9/19/2011  | 0.13       | <10 <sup>(1)</sup>           |

| Date                       | Flow (cfs) | <i>E. coli</i> (orgs/100 ml) |
|----------------------------|------------|------------------------------|
| 10/17/2011                 | 0.17       | 10                           |
| 6/26/2012                  | 0.61       | 206                          |
| 7/11/2012                  | 0.044      | 10                           |
|                            |            |                              |
| Min =                      | 0.027      | 10                           |
| 1 <sup>st</sup> Quartile = | 0.47       | 105                          |

| Date                       | Flow (cfs) | <i>E. coli</i> (orgs/100 ml) |
|----------------------------|------------|------------------------------|
| Median =                   | 2.6        | 260                          |
| 3 <sup>rd</sup> Quartile = | 17.2       | 1,252                        |
| Max =                      | 372.4      | 24,000                       |
| Mean <sup>(2)</sup> =      | 28.3       | 320                          |
| Std Dev =                  | 68.5       | 2,777                        |

- (1) Individual sampling points had *E. coli* values greater than quantification value of 2,419.6 orgs/100 ml. In these cases 2,419.6 orgs/100 ml was used for calculation purposes.
- (2) For *E. coli* this is a geomean.

**Table C.29. Water Quality Data for IA 05-CHA-1330 and STORET Site #15930004 (RA-37).**

| Date       | Flow (cfs) | <i>E. coli</i> (orgs/100 ml) | Date       | Flow (cfs) | <i>E. coli</i> (orgs/100 ml) |
|------------|------------|------------------------------|------------|------------|------------------------------|
| 3/17/1999  | 97.70      | 490                          | 8/12/2003  | 0.05       | 20                           |
| 4/13/1999  | 5.54       | 330                          | 10/16/2003 | 0.43       | 40                           |
| 5/11/1999  | 3.30       | 520                          | 3/31/2004  | 9.39       | 420                          |
| 6/11/1999  | 61.26      | 2,400                        | 4/21/2004  | 2.88       | 580                          |
| 6/15/1999  | 5.65       | 200                          | 5/19/2004  | 2.78       | 4,000                        |
| 7/13/1999  | 0.56       | 50                           | 5/26/2004  | 11.61      | 3,600                        |
| 8/18/1999  | 0.28       | 1,300                        | 6/15/2004  | 135.32     | 4,000                        |
| 9/13/1999  | 0.14       | 41                           | 6/22/2004  | 4.21       | 2,700                        |
| 10/13/1999 | 0.09       | 20                           | 7/13/2004  | 11.72      | 3,900                        |
| 11/15/1999 | 0.14       | 10                           | 7/20/2004  | 0.70       | 580                          |
| 3/28/2000  | 0.17       | 10                           | 8/17/2004  | 0.71       | 680                          |
| 4/18/2000  | 0.16       | 10                           | 9/21/2004  | 0.39       | 2,100                        |
| 5/16/2000  | 0.05       | 190                          | 10/19/2004 | 0.36       | 460                          |
| 6/13/2000  | 0.29       | 280                          | 3/16/2005  | 1.77       | 63                           |
| 6/27/2000  | 21.42      | 730                          | 4/13/2005  | 38.46      | 1,100                        |
| 7/19/2000  | 1.17       | 910                          | 5/10/2005  | 1.43       | 450                          |
| 8/15/2000  | 0.40       | 120                          | 6/29/2005  | 15.56      | 288                          |
| 10/17/2000 | 0.03       | 31                           | 3/16/2006  | 0.40       | 17                           |
| 11/14/2000 | 0.23       | 750                          | 4/12/2006  | 0.53       | 91                           |
| 3/20/2001  | 86.62      | 110                          | 4/27/2006  | 0.25       | 42                           |
| 4/17/2001  | 10.65      | 280                          | 5/25/2006  | 3.86       | 365                          |
| 5/15/2001  | 41.13      | 930                          | 4/25/2007  | 416.60     | > 2419.6 <sup>(1)</sup>      |
| 6/1/2001   | 165.15     | 1,500                        | 5/23/2007  | 1.25       | 866                          |
| 6/12/2001  | 4.26       | 2,800                        | 6/5/2007   | 3.19       | 2,420                        |
| 7/11/2001  | 0.74       | 270                          | 8/8/2007   | 29.19      | > 2419.6 <sup>(1)</sup>      |
| 8/14/2001  | 0.16       | 360                          | 8/21/2007  | 0.51       | 1,986                        |
| 9/27/2001  | 0.21       | 1,300                        | 9/11/2007  | 0.97       | 488                          |
| 10/16/2001 | 0.32       | 320                          | 9/27/2007  | 0.66       | 1,203                        |
| 11/13/2001 | 0.43       | 350                          | 10/4/2007  | 1.57       | > 2419.6 <sup>(1)</sup>      |
| 3/26/2002  | 1.70       | 10                           | 10/18/2007 | 156.63     | > 2419.6 <sup>(1)</sup>      |
| 4/16/2002  | 3.20       | 10                           | 11/13/2007 | 0.92       | 261                          |
| 5/14/2002  | 21.42      | 700                          | 5/29/2008  | 7.17       | 1,553                        |
| 6/11/2002  | 2.45       | 7,500                        | 6/3/2008   | 274.89     | > 2419.6 <sup>(1)</sup>      |
| 7/23/2002  | 0.13       | 63                           | 6/16/2008  | 29.41      | 687                          |
| 8/13/2002  | 0.14       | 460                          | 7/1/2008   | 8.55       | 1,203                        |
| 4/15/2003  | 0.17       | 10                           | 7/15/2008  | 4.52       | 1,203                        |
| 5/14/2003  | 1.79       | 150                          | 8/12/2008  | 2.81       | 2,420                        |
| 6/17/2003  | 0.32       | 430                          | 9/8/2008   | 2.43       | 1,986                        |
| 7/15/2003  | 0.15       | 380                          | 10/27/2008 | 5.16       | 816                          |
| 7/29/2003  | 0.46       | 490                          | 11/4/2008  | 1.29       | 201                          |

| Date       | Flow (cfs) | <i>E. coli</i> (orgs/100 ml) | Date                       | Flow (cfs) | <i>E. coli</i> (orgs/100 ml) |
|------------|------------|------------------------------|----------------------------|------------|------------------------------|
| 5/14/2009  | 22.80      | > 2419.6 <sup>(1)</sup>      | 9/21/2010                  | 153.429    | 1,553                        |
| 5/28/2009  | 20.67      | 1,733                        | 10/9/2010                  | 3.569      | 435                          |
| 6/18/2009  | 3.676      | 869                          | 8/15/2011                  | 0.281      | 420                          |
| 6/25/2009  | 17.793     | 1,203                        | 9/19/2011                  | 0.146      | 140                          |
| 7/16/2009  | 4.315      | 2,420                        | 10/17/2011                 | 0.194      | 270                          |
| 8/11/2009  | 3.676      | 1,986                        | 6/26/2012                  | 0.683      | 420                          |
| 8/17/2009  | 143.839    | > 2419.6 <sup>(1)</sup>      | 7/11/2012                  | 0.049      | 240                          |
| 9/23/2009  | 1.183      | > 2419.6 <sup>(1)</sup>      | 10/22/2012                 | 1.449      | 2,800                        |
| 10/27/2009 | 17.154     | > 2419.6 <sup>(1)</sup>      |                            |            |                              |
| 3/22/2010  | 60.519     | 163                          | Min =                      | 0.030      | 10                           |
| 4/19/2010  | 3.452      | 866                          | 1 <sup>st</sup> Quartile = | 0.40       | 261                          |
| 4/24/2010  | 106.548    | > 2419.6 <sup>(1)</sup>      | Median =                   | 2.5        | 680                          |
| 5/11/2010  | 416.601    | > 2419.6 <sup>(1)</sup>      | 3 <sup>rd</sup> Quartile = | 15.6       | 2,100                        |
| 5/26/2010  | 87.689     | > 2419.6 <sup>(1)</sup>      | Max =                      | 416.6      | 7,500                        |
| 6/22/2010  | 39.742     | 1,986                        | Mean <sup>(2)</sup> =      | 27.5       | 495                          |
| 7/13/2010  | 5.413      | > 2419.6 <sup>(1)</sup>      | Std Dev =                  | 69.9       | 1,226                        |
| 8/11/2010  | 40.595     | > 2419.6 <sup>(1)</sup>      |                            |            |                              |

- (1) Individual sampling points had *E. coli* values greater than quantification value of 2,419.6 orgs/100 ml. In these cases 2,419.6 orgs/100 ml was used for calculation purposes.
- (2) For *E. coli* this is a geomean.

**Table C.30. Water Quality Data for IA 05-CHA-1332 and STORET Site #15930006 (RA-39).**

| Date       | Flow (cfs) | <i>E. coli</i> (orgs/100 ml) | Date       | Flow (cfs) | <i>E. coli</i> (orgs/100 ml) |
|------------|------------|------------------------------|------------|------------|------------------------------|
| 3/17/1999  | 294.75     | 82                           | 5/14/2003  | 5.40       | 380                          |
| 4/13/1999  | 16.71      | 160                          | 6/17/2003  | 0.96       | 70                           |
| 5/11/1999  | 9.96       | 240                          | 7/15/2003  | 0.46       | 2,500                        |
| 6/11/1999  | 184.82     | 2,400                        | 7/29/2003  | 1.38       | 2,800                        |
| 6/15/1999  | 17.04      | 200                          | 8/12/2003  | 0.15       | 1,100                        |
| 7/13/1999  | 1.70       | 10                           | 9/16/2003  | 1.76       | 2,500                        |
| 8/18/1999  | 0.84       | 1,700                        | 10/16/2003 | 1.29       | 260                          |
| 9/13/1999  | 0.42       | 7,300                        | 3/31/2004  | 28.32      | 270                          |
| 10/13/1999 | 0.27       | 610                          | 4/21/2004  | 8.68       | 200                          |
| 11/15/1999 | 0.42       | 180                          | 5/19/2004  | 8.39       | 5,100                        |
| 3/28/2000  | 0.51       | 41                           | 5/26/2004  | 35.04      | 2,000                        |
| 4/18/2000  | 0.48       | 140                          | 6/22/2004  | 12.70      | 270                          |
| 5/16/2000  | 0.16       | 1,300                        | 7/13/2004  | 35.36      | 4,300                        |
| 6/13/2000  | 0.87       | 700                          | 7/20/2004  | 2.11       | 740                          |
| 6/27/2000  | 64.61      | 1,100                        | 8/17/2004  | 2.14       | 450                          |
| 7/19/2000  | 3.54       | 3,100                        | 9/21/2004  | 1.16       | 2,000                        |
| 8/15/2000  | 1.22       | 1,500                        | 10/19/2004 | 1.08       | 200                          |
| 9/12/2000  | 0.08       | 400                          | 3/16/2005  | 5.34       | 40                           |
| 10/17/2000 | 0.09       | 150                          | 4/13/2005  | 116.04     | 200                          |
| 11/14/2000 | 0.71       | 300                          | 5/10/2005  | 4.31       | 30                           |
| 3/20/2001  | 261.32     | 110                          | 6/15/2005  | 5.43       | 1,445                        |
| 4/17/2001  | 32.14      | 280                          | 6/29/2005  | 46.93      | 1,445                        |
| 5/15/2001  | 124.07     | 990                          | 7/28/2005  | 2.76       | 1,733                        |
| 6/1/2001   | 498.21     | 3,400                        | 8/25/2005  | 0.45       | 6,867                        |
| 6/12/2001  | 12.86      | 100                          | 3/16/2006  | 1.21       | 30                           |
| 7/11/2001  | 2.22       | 710                          | 4/12/2006  | 1.60       | 105                          |
| 8/14/2001  | 0.48       | 470                          | 4/27/2006  | 0.77       | 24                           |
| 9/27/2001  | 0.64       | 630                          | 5/25/2006  | 11.64      | 770                          |
| 10/16/2001 | 0.96       | 230                          | 6/7/2006   | 0.26       | 387                          |
| 11/13/2001 | 1.29       | 400                          | 6/21/2006  | 0.16       | 143                          |
| 3/26/2002  | 5.14       | 10                           | 7/27/2006  | 0.09       | 416                          |
| 4/16/2002  | 9.64       | 36                           | 8/28/2006  | 0.55       | > 2419.6 <sup>(1)</sup>      |
| 5/14/2002  | 64.61      | 910                          | 9/13/2006  | 0.50       | 1,046                        |
| 6/11/2002  | 7.39       | 640                          | 4/25/2007  | 1,256.79   | > 2419.6 <sup>(1)</sup>      |
| 7/23/2002  | 0.39       | 870                          | 5/23/2007  | 3.76       | 1,986                        |
| 8/13/2002  | 0.42       | 3,000                        | 6/5/2007   | 9.61       | 613                          |
| 9/17/2002  | 0.27       | 3,000                        | 6/21/2007  | 1.82       | 816                          |
| 10/24/2002 | 0.23       | 4,000                        | 7/17/2007  | 0.59       | 1,986                        |
| 11/12/2002 | 0.23       | 1,300                        | 7/26/2007  | 0.37       | 548                          |
| 4/15/2003  | 0.52       | 99                           | 8/8/2007   | 88.07      | > 2419.6 <sup>(1)</sup>      |



| Date       | Flow (cfs) | <i>E. coli</i> (orgs/100 ml) | Date                       | Flow (cfs) | <i>E. coli</i> (orgs/100 ml) |
|------------|------------|------------------------------|----------------------------|------------|------------------------------|
| 8/21/2007  | 1.55       | > 2419.6 <sup>(1)</sup>      | 5/26/2010                  | 264.536    | > 2419.6 <sup>(1)</sup>      |
| 9/11/2007  | 2.94       | 326                          | 6/22/2010                  | 119.893    | > 2419.6 <sup>(1)</sup>      |
| 10/4/2007  | 4.725      | 291                          | 7/13/2010                  | 16.329     | 866                          |
| 10/18/2007 | 472.500    | > 2419.6 <sup>(1)</sup>      | 8/11/2010                  | 122.464    | 1,120                        |
| 11/13/2007 | 2.771      | 548                          | 9/21/2010                  | 462.857    | 1,733                        |
| 5/29/2008  | 21.632     | 326                          | 10/9/2010                  | 10.768     | 299                          |
| 6/3/2008   | 829.286    | 1,986                        | 4/16/2011                  | 392.143    | 14,000                       |
| 6/16/2008  | 88.714     | > 2419.6 <sup>(1)</sup>      | 5/13/2011                  | 18.771     | 2,600                        |
| 7/1/2008   | 25.779     | 344                          | 5/21/2011                  | 145.929    | 24,000                       |
| 7/15/2008  | 13.629     | 579                          | 8/15/2011                  | 0.849      | 460                          |
| 8/12/2008  | 8.486      | 1,553                        | 9/19/2011                  | 0.440      | 150                          |
| 9/8/2008   | 7.329      | > 2419.6 <sup>(1)</sup>      | 10/17/2011                 | 0.585      | 220                          |
| 10/27/2008 | 15.557     | 416                          | 4/14/2012                  | 66.536     | 9,200                        |
| 11/4/2008  | 3.889      | 62                           | 5/7/2012                   | 221.143    | 8,700                        |
| 5/14/2009  | 68.786     | > 2419.6 <sup>(1)</sup>      | 6/26/2012                  | 2.060      | 740                          |
| 5/28/2009  | 62.357     | 2,420                        | 7/11/2012                  | 0.148      | 10                           |
| 6/18/2009  | 11.089     | 548                          | 8/27/2012                  | 0.919      | 7,300                        |
| 6/25/2009  | 53.679     | 344                          | 10/22/2012                 | 4.371      | 1,200                        |
| 7/16/2009  | 13.018     | 866                          |                            |            |                              |
| 8/11/2009  | 11.089     | 1,300                        |                            |            |                              |
| 8/17/2009  | 433.929    | > 2419.6 <sup>(1)</sup>      | Min =                      | 0.080      | 10                           |
| 9/23/2009  | 3.568      | 488                          | 1 <sup>st</sup> Quartile = | 0.84       | 260                          |
| 10/27/2009 | 51.750     | 1,733                        | Median =                   | 4.7        | 740                          |
| 3/22/2010  | 182.571    | 133                          | 3 <sup>rd</sup> Quartile = | 35.0       | 2,420                        |
| 4/19/2010  | 10.414     | 72                           | Max =                      | 1,256.8    | 24,000                       |
| 4/24/2010  | 321.429    | > 2419.6 <sup>(1)</sup>      | Mean <sup>(2)</sup> =      | 73.3       | 640                          |
| 5/11/2010  | 1,256.786  | > 2419.6 <sup>(1)</sup>      | Std Dev =                  | 195.6      | 2,861                        |

- (1) Individual sampling points had *E. coli* values greater than quantification value of 2,419.6 orgs/100 ml. In these cases 2,419.6 orgs/100 ml was used for calculation purposes.
- (2) For *E. coli* this is a geomean.

**Table C.31. Water Quality Data for IA 05-CHA-1335 and STORET Site #15930003 (RA-36).**

| Date       | Flow (cfs) | <i>E. coli</i> (orgs/100 ml) | Date       | Flow (cfs) | <i>E. coli</i> (orgs/100 ml) |
|------------|------------|------------------------------|------------|------------|------------------------------|
| 3/17/1999  | 95.52      | 280                          | 4/21/2004  | 2.81       | 2,500                        |
| 4/13/1999  | 5.42       | 170                          | 5/19/2004  | 2.72       | 2,600                        |
| 5/11/1999  | 3.23       | 540                          | 5/26/2004  | 11.35      | 2,600                        |
| 6/11/1999  | 59.90      | 2,400                        | 6/15/2004  | 132.29     | 2,200                        |
| 6/15/1999  | 5.52       | 970                          | 6/22/2004  | 4.11       | 190                          |
| 7/13/1999  | 0.55       | 450                          | 7/13/2004  | 11.46      | 2,100                        |
| 8/18/1999  | 0.27       | 1,200                        | 7/20/2004  | 0.68       | 530                          |
| 9/13/1999  | 0.14       | 250                          | 9/21/2004  | 0.38       | 80                           |
| 10/13/1999 | 0.09       | 350                          | 3/16/2005  | 1.73       | 10                           |
| 11/15/1999 | 0.14       | 350                          | 4/13/2005  | 37.60      | 390                          |
| 3/28/2000  | 0.17       | 10                           | 5/10/2005  | 1.40       | 160                          |
| 4/18/2000  | 0.16       | 130                          | 6/15/2005  | 1.76       | 429                          |
| 5/16/2000  | 0.05       | 10                           | 3/16/2006  | 0.39       | 25                           |
| 6/13/2000  | 0.28       | 370                          | 4/12/2006  | 0.52       | < 1.0 <sup>(3)</sup>         |
| 6/27/2000  | 20.94      | 270                          | 6/7/2006   | 0.08       | 1,733                        |
| 7/19/2000  | 1.15       | 1,000                        | 4/25/2007  | 407.29     | > 2419.6 <sup>(1)</sup>      |
| 10/17/2000 | 0.03       | 150                          | 5/23/2007  | 1.22       | 139                          |
| 11/14/2000 | 0.23       | 200                          | 6/5/2007   | 3.11       | 411                          |
| 3/20/2001  | 84.69      | 41                           | 6/21/2007  | 0.59       | 1,203                        |
| 4/17/2001  | 10.42      | 290                          | 7/17/2007  | 0.19       | 411                          |
| 5/15/2001  | 40.21      | 1,400                        | 8/8/2007   | 28.54      | > 2419.6 <sup>(1)</sup>      |
| 6/1/2001   | 161.46     | 790                          | 8/21/2007  | 0.50       | 770                          |
| 6/12/2001  | 4.17       | 860                          | 9/11/2007  | 0.95       | 192                          |
| 7/11/2001  | 0.72       | 4,600                        | 9/27/2007  | 0.64       | 248                          |
| 8/14/2001  | 0.16       | 2,500                        | 10/4/2007  | 1.53       | 1,300                        |
| 9/27/2001  | 0.21       | 190                          | 10/18/2007 | 153.13     | > 2419.6 <sup>(1)</sup>      |
| 10/16/2001 | 0.31       | 470                          | 11/13/2007 | 0.90       | 71                           |
| 11/13/2001 | 0.42       | 150                          | 5/29/2008  | 7.01       | 194                          |
| 3/26/2002  | 1.67       | 10                           | 6/3/2008   | 268.75     | 1,733                        |
| 4/16/2002  | 3.13       | 91                           | 6/16/2008  | 28.75      | 204                          |
| 5/14/2002  | 20.94      | 800                          | 7/1/2008   | 8.35       | 435                          |
| 6/11/2002  | 2.40       | 310                          | 7/15/2008  | 4.42       | 162                          |
| 7/23/2002  | 0.13       | 540                          | 8/12/2008  | 2.75       | 579                          |
| 8/13/2002  | 0.14       | 54,000                       | 9/8/2008   | 2.38       | > 2419.6 <sup>(1)</sup>      |
| 4/15/2003  | 0.17       | 10                           | 10/27/2008 | 5.04       | 980                          |
| 5/14/2003  | 1.75       | 54                           | 5/14/2009  | 22.29      | 2,420                        |
| 6/17/2003  | 0.31       | 410                          | 5/28/2009  | 20.21      | 1,986                        |
| 7/15/2003  | 0.15       | 1,100                        | 6/18/2009  | 3.59       | 980                          |
| 7/29/2003  | 0.45       | 3,000                        | 6/25/2009  | 17.40      | 435                          |
| 3/31/2004  | 9.18       | 310                          | 7/16/2009  | 4.22       | 1,046                        |

| Date       | Flow (cfs) | <i>E. coli</i> (orgs/100 ml) |
|------------|------------|------------------------------|
| 8/11/2009  | 3.59       | 980                          |
| 8/17/2009  | 140.63     | > 2419.6 <sup>(1)</sup>      |
| 9/23/2009  | 1.156      | 70                           |
| 10/27/2009 | 16.771     | 866                          |
| 3/22/2010  | 59.167     | 151                          |
| 4/19/2010  | 3.375      | 39                           |
| 4/24/2010  | 104.167    | > 2419.6 <sup>(1)</sup>      |
| 5/11/2010  | 407.292    | > 2419.6 <sup>(1)</sup>      |
| 5/26/2010  | 85.729     | 308                          |
| 6/22/2010  | 38.854     | 435                          |
| 7/13/2010  | 5.292      | 579                          |
| 8/11/2010  | 39.688     | 914                          |
| 9/21/2010  | 150.000    | 841                          |
| 10/9/2010  | 3.490      | 1,733                        |

| Date                       | Flow (cfs) | <i>E. coli</i> (orgs/100 ml) |
|----------------------------|------------|------------------------------|
| 8/15/2011                  | 0.275      | 410                          |
| 9/20/2011                  | 0.146      | 120                          |
| 10/18/2011                 | 0.206      | 120                          |
| 6/27/2012                  | 0.445      | 910                          |
| 7/12/2012                  | 0.055      | 110                          |
| 10/23/2012                 | 1.302      | 75                           |
|                            |            |                              |
| Min =                      | 0.029      | 1                            |
| 1 <sup>st</sup> Quartile = | 0.39       | 168                          |
| Median =                   | 2.6        | 435                          |
| 3 <sup>rd</sup> Quartile = | 16.9       | 1,201                        |
| Max =                      | 407.3      | 54,000                       |
| Mean <sup>(1)</sup> =      | 28.0       | 403                          |
| Std Dev =                  | 69.8       | 5,367                        |

- (1) Individual sampling points had *E. coli* values greater than quantification value of 2,419.6 orgs/100 ml. In these cases 2,419.6 orgs/100 ml was used for calculation purposes.
- (2) For *E. coli* this is a geomean.
- (3) *E. coli* was not detectable. The minimum detection limit is 1 orgs/100/ml. Consequently, 0.5 orgs/100 ml was used in calculations.

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Table C.32. Water Quality Data for IA 05-CHA-1307 and STORET Site #10040002.

| Date       | Flow (cfs) | <i>E. coli</i> (orgs/100 ml) | Date      | Flow (cfs) | <i>E. coli</i> (orgs/100 ml) |
|------------|------------|------------------------------|-----------|------------|------------------------------|
| 10/25/1999 | 4.40       | 27                           | 10/4/2004 | 18.49      | 100                          |
| 4/3/2000   | 5.87       | 27                           | 11/1/2004 | 15.85      | 700                          |
| 5/2/2000   | 4.55       | 140                          | 4/4/2005  | 7.75       | 10                           |
| 6/20/2000  | 5.58       | 530                          | 5/2/2005  | 136.48     | 20                           |
| 7/24/2000  | 6.46       | 170                          | 6/1/2005  | 11.43      | 90                           |
| 8/28/2000  | 4.84       | 320                          | 7/6/2005  | 61.05      | 40                           |
| 9/12/2000  | 4.99       | 280                          | 8/1/2005  | 5.28       | 140                          |
| 10/5/2000  | 6.02       | 940                          | 9/6/2005  | 5.05       | 30                           |
| 11/9/2000  | 6.31       | 330                          | 10/3/2005 | 5.17       | 430                          |
| 4/3/2001   | 236.28     | Not Detected <sup>(3)</sup>  | 11/1/2005 | 3.38       | 50                           |
| 5/1/2001   | 151.16     | 18                           | 4/4/2006  | 13.22      | 140                          |
| 6/6/2001   | 396.24     | 4,900                        | 5/2/2006  | 26.12      | 2,100                        |
| 7/3/2001   | 228.94     | 20                           | 6/1/2006  | 4.65       | 180                          |
| 8/1/2001   | 145.58     | 30                           | 7/3/2006  | 4.64       | 250                          |
| 9/4/2001   | 6.75       | 140                          | 8/1/2006  | 4.39       | 100                          |
| 10/2/2001  | 5.58       | 280                          | 9/6/2006  | 4.64       | 200                          |
| 11/5/2001  | 6.60       | 120                          | 10/2/2006 | 4.89       | 50                           |
| 4/1/2002   | 14.82      | 10                           | 11/1/2006 | 4.26       | 20                           |
| 5/1/2002   | 23.19      | 240                          | 4/2/2007  | 18.34      | 90                           |
| 6/3/2002   | 231.88     | 10                           | 5/1/2007  | 142.94     | 27                           |
| 7/1/2002   | 39.33      | 140                          | 6/4/2007  | 88.64      | 50                           |
| 8/5/2002   | 5.14       | 160                          | 7/5/2007  | 186.38     | 20                           |
| 9/4/2002   | 4.26       | 110                          | 8/1/2007  | 9.16       | 36                           |
| 10/1/2002  | 4.98       | 140                          | 9/5/2007  | 149.69     | 60                           |
| 11/5/2002  | 5.06       | 54                           | 10/1/2007 | 134.87     | 20                           |
| 4/1/2003   | 5.24       | 10                           | 11/5/2007 | 118.87     | 30                           |
| 5/5/2003   | 104.34     | 4,500                        | 4/1/2008  | 265.63     | 450                          |
| 6/4/2003   | 5.96       | 54                           | 5/5/2008  | 132.37     | 30                           |
| 7/2/2003   | 7.85       | 300                          | 6/2/2008  | 130.61     | 60                           |
| 8/4/2003   | 5.44       | 120                          | 7/9/2008  | 1,306.14   | 6,700                        |
| 9/1/2003   | 7.22       | 200                          | 8/6/2008  | 223.07     | 40                           |
| 10/1/2003  | 5.08       | 81                           | 9/4/2008  | 224.54     | 60                           |
| 11/3/2003  | 14.82      | 490                          | 4/1/2009  | 233.34     | 10                           |
| 4/5/2004   | 39.92      | Not Detected <sup>(3)</sup>  | 5/4/2009  | 144.56     | 80                           |
| 5/3/2004   | 5.88       | 110                          | 6/1/2009  | 134.28     | 98                           |
| 6/1/2004   | 206.93     | 2,000                        | 7/1/2009  | 128.27     | 150                          |
| 7/1/2004   | 117.26     | 81                           | 8/3/2009  | 176.11     | 20                           |
| 8/2/2004   | 10.10      | 1,200                        | 9/1/2009  | 136.19     | 98                           |
| 9/1/2004   | 118.43     | 260                          | 10/5/2009 | 128.56     | 31                           |

| Date      | Flow (cfs) | <i>E. coli</i> (orgs/100 ml) | Date      | Flow (cfs) | <i>E. coli</i> (orgs/100 ml) |
|-----------|------------|------------------------------|-----------|------------|------------------------------|
| 11/2/2009 | 149.69     | 110                          | 4/2/2015  | 5.988      | 20                           |
| 4/5/2010  | 223.07     | Not Detected <sup>(3)</sup>  | 5/4/2015  | 5.826      | 170                          |
| 5/3/2010  | 231.88     | 41                           | 6/1/2015  | 131.347    | 31                           |
| 6/1/2010  | 218.67     | 30                           | 7/6/2015  | 221.603    | Not Detected <sup>(3)</sup>  |
| 7/1/2010  | 233.343    | 31                           | 8/3/2015  | 270.032    | Not Detected <sup>(3)</sup>  |
| 8/2/2010  | 441.738    | 41                           | 9/2/2015  | 137.364    | 31                           |
| 9/1/2010  | 466.686    | 85                           | 10/1/2015 | 120.781    | 41                           |
| 10/4/2010 | 459.349    | 20                           | 11/9/2015 | 121.515    | 10                           |
| 11/1/2010 | 159.965    | 30                           | 4/11/2016 | 8.629      | 41                           |
| 4/4/2011  | 8.512      | 31                           | 5/2/2016  | 37.129     | 270                          |
| 5/3/2011  | 77.341     | 41                           | 6/1/2016  | 64.279     | 200                          |
| 6/1/2011  | 141.327    | 200                          | 7/11/2016 | 5.048      | 110                          |
| 7/5/2011  | 249.486    | 41                           | 8/1/2016  | 4.931      | 390                          |
| 8/1/2011  | 237.746    | 63                           | 9/1/2016  | 5.885      | 63                           |
| 9/1/2011  | 7.602      | 250                          | 10/3/2016 | 4.593      | 120                          |
| 10/3/2011 | 5.004      | 20                           | 11/2/2016 | 3.742      | 270                          |
| 11/2/2011 | 4.168      | 680                          | 4/3/2017  | 16.290     | 10                           |
| 4/2/2012  | 7.455      | 1,200                        | 5/8/2017  | 159.965    | 31                           |
| 5/1/2012  | 16.730     | 960                          | 6/1/2017  | 21.280     | 10                           |
| 6/11/2012 | 4.373      | 260                          | 7/3/2017  | 4.153      | 230                          |
| 7/3/2012  | 3.948      | 130                          | 8/1/2017  | 4.168      | 74                           |
| 8/1/2012  | 3.742      | 120                          | 9/6/2017  | 3.640      | 63                           |
| 9/4/2012  | 3.860      | 120                          | 10/5/2017 | 3.463      | 63                           |
| 10/1/2012 | 3.786      | 140                          | 11/6/2017 | 3.507      | 10                           |
| 11/5/2012 | 4.021      | 120                          | 4/3/2018  | 5.430      | 20                           |
| 4/1/2013  | 15.409     | 10                           | 5/1/2018  | 3.742      | 52                           |
| 5/1/2013  | 140.740    | 20                           | 6/4/2018  | 3.962      | 260                          |
| 6/3/2013  | 325.800    | 10                           | 7/5/2018  | 3.757      | 170                          |
| 7/1/2013  | 242.149    | 10                           | 8/1/2018  | 3.992      | 31                           |
| 8/5/2013  | 192.251    | 10                           | 9/5/2018  | 7.030      | 280                          |
| 9/3/2013  | 69.563     | 10                           | 10/1/2018 | 4.828      | 140                          |
| 10/2/2013 | 3.478      | 97                           | 11/5/2018 | 226.005    | 31                           |
| 11/4/2013 | 4.183      | 75                           | 4/2/2019  | 303.786    | Not Detected <sup>(3)</sup>  |
| 4/1/2014  | 6.780      | Not Detected <sup>(3)</sup>  | 5/1/2019  | 217.200    | 500                          |
| 5/1/2014  | 107.279    | 20                           | 6/3/2019  | 228.941    | 97                           |
| 6/2/2014  | 130.026    | 20                           | 7/1/2019  | 321.397    | 20                           |
| 7/1/2014  | 103.610    | 20                           | 8/5/2019  | 6.560      | 31                           |
| 8/5/2014  | 5.782      | 190                          | 9/4/2019  | 8.996      | 86                           |
| 9/3/2014  | 158.497    | 20                           | 10/1/2019 | 290.578    | 1,500                        |
| 10/2/2014 | 140.593    | 300                          | 11/5/2019 | 42.266     | 10                           |
| 11/5/2014 | 128.119    | 20                           | 4/1/2020  | 89.668     | Not Detected <sup>(3)</sup>  |

| Date      | Flow (cfs) | <i>E. coli</i> (orgs/100 ml) |
|-----------|------------|------------------------------|
| 5/7/2020  | 8.130      | 41                           |
| 6/8/2020  | 223.070    | 31                           |
| 7/8/2020  | 5.063      | 52                           |
| 8/4/2020  | 3.698      | 63                           |
| 9/9/2020  | 5.386      | 460                          |
| 10/1/2020 | 3.023      | 75                           |
| 11/2/2020 | 1.981      | 20                           |
| 4/5/2021  | 161.432    | Not Detected <sup>(3)</sup>  |
| 5/3/2021  | 11.065     | 160                          |
| 6/1/2021  | 63.546     | 31                           |
| 7/6/2021  | 63.399     | 20                           |
| 8/4/2021  | 220.135    | Not Detected <sup>(3)</sup>  |

| Date                       | Flow (cfs) | <i>E. coli</i> (orgs/100 ml) |
|----------------------------|------------|------------------------------|
| 9/1/2021                   | 16.877     | 390                          |
| 10/5/2021                  | 3.111      | 120                          |
| 11/9/2021                  | 13.634     | 85                           |
|                            |            |                              |
| Min =                      | 1.981      | 5                            |
| 1 <sup>st</sup> Quartile = | 5.07       | 20                           |
| Median =                   | 15.8       | 63                           |
| 3 <sup>rd</sup> Quartile = | 142.1      | 170                          |
| Max =                      | 1,306.1    | 6,700                        |
| Mean <sup>(2)</sup> =      | 90.5       | 68                           |
| Std Dev =                  | 139.2      | 749                          |

- (1) Individual sampling points had *E. coli* values greater than quantification value of 2,419.6 orgs/100 ml. In these cases 2,419.6 orgs/100 ml was used for calculation purposes.
- (2) For *E. coli* this is a geomean.
- (3) *E. coli* was not detectable. The minimum detection limit is 10 orgs/100/ml. Consequently, 5.0 orgs/100 ml was used in calculations.

Table C.33. Water Quality Data for IA 05-CHA-1308 and STORET Site #10040002.

| Date       | Flow (cfs) | <i>E. coli</i> (orgs/100 ml) | Date      | Flow (cfs) | <i>E. coli</i> (orgs/100 ml) |
|------------|------------|------------------------------|-----------|------------|------------------------------|
| 10/25/1999 | 29.18      | 27                           | 11/1/2004 | 105.05     | 700                          |
| 4/3/2000   | 38.91      | 27                           | 4/4/2005  | 51.36      | 10                           |
| 5/2/2000   | 30.15      | 140                          | 5/2/2005  | 904.61     | 20                           |
| 6/20/2000  | 36.96      | 530                          | 6/1/2005  | 75.77      | 90                           |
| 7/24/2000  | 42.80      | 170                          | 7/6/2005  | 404.64     | 40                           |
| 8/28/2000  | 32.10      | 320                          | 8/1/2005  | 35.02      | 140                          |
| 9/12/2000  | 33.07      | 280                          | 9/6/2005  | 33.46      | 30                           |
| 10/5/2000  | 39.88      | 940                          | 10/3/2005 | 34.24      | 430                          |
| 11/9/2000  | 41.83      | 330                          | 11/1/2005 | 22.37      | 50                           |
| 4/3/2001   | 1,566.05   | Not Detected <sup>(3)</sup>  | 4/4/2006  | 87.64      | 140                          |
| 5/1/2001   | 1,001.88   | 18                           | 5/2/2006  | 173.14     | 2,100                        |
| 6/6/2001   | 2,626.30   | 4,900                        | 6/1/2006  | 30.83      | 180                          |
| 7/3/2001   | 1,517.42   | 20                           | 7/3/2006  | 30.74      | 250                          |
| 8/1/2001   | 964.92     | 30                           | 8/1/2006  | 29.08      | 100                          |
| 9/4/2001   | 44.74      | 140                          | 9/6/2006  | 30.74      | 200                          |
| 10/2/2001  | 36.96      | 280                          | 10/2/2006 | 32.39      | 50                           |
| 11/5/2001  | 43.77      | 120                          | 11/1/2006 | 28.21      | 20                           |
| 4/1/2002   | 98.24      | 10                           | 4/2/2007  | 121.59     | 90                           |
| 5/1/2002   | 153.69     | 240                          | 5/1/2007  | 947.41     | 27                           |
| 6/3/2002   | 1,536.87   | 10                           | 6/4/2007  | 587.51     | 50                           |
| 7/1/2002   | 260.68     | 140                          | 7/5/2007  | 1,235.33   | 20                           |
| 8/5/2002   | 34.04      | 160                          | 8/1/2007  | 60.70      | 36                           |
| 9/4/2002   | 28.21      | 110                          | 9/5/2007  | 992.16     | 60                           |
| 10/1/2002  | 32.97      | 140                          | 10/1/2007 | 893.91     | 20                           |
| 11/5/2002  | 33.56      | 54                           | 11/5/2007 | 787.89     | 30                           |
| 4/1/2003   | 34.73      | 10                           | 4/1/2008  | 1,760.59   | 450                          |
| 5/5/2003   | 691.59     | 4,500                        | 5/5/2008  | 877.38     | 30                           |
| 6/4/2003   | 39.49      | 54                           | 6/2/2008  | 865.71     | 60                           |
| 7/2/2003   | 52.04      | 300                          | 7/9/2008  | 8,657.05   | 6,700                        |
| 8/4/2003   | 36.09      | 120                          | 8/6/2008  | 1,478.51   | 40                           |
| 9/1/2003   | 47.86      | 200                          | 9/4/2008  | 1,488.24   | 60                           |
| 10/1/2003  | 33.66      | 81                           | 4/1/2009  | 1,546.60   | 10                           |
| 11/3/2003  | 98.24      | 490                          | 5/4/2009  | 958.11     | 80                           |
| 4/5/2004   | 264.58     | Not Detected <sup>(3)</sup>  | 6/1/2009  | 890.02     | 98                           |
| 5/3/2004   | 39.01      | 110                          | 7/1/2009  | 850.14     | 150                          |
| 6/1/2004   | 1,371.51   | 2,000                        | 8/3/2009  | 1,167.24   | 20                           |
| 7/1/2004   | 777.19     | 81                           | 9/1/2009  | 902.67     | 98                           |
| 8/2/2004   | 66.92      | 1,200                        | 10/5/2009 | 852.09     | 31                           |
| 9/1/2004   | 784.97     | 260                          | 11/2/2009 | 992.16     | 110                          |
| 10/4/2004  | 122.56     | 100                          | 4/5/2010  | 1,478.51   | Not Detected <sup>(3)</sup>  |

| Date      | Flow (cfs) | <i>E. coli</i> (orgs/100 ml) | Date      | Flow (cfs) | <i>E. coli</i> (orgs/100 ml) |
|-----------|------------|------------------------------|-----------|------------|------------------------------|
| 5/3/2010  | 1,536.87   | 41                           | 6/1/2015  | 870.57     | 31                           |
| 6/1/2010  | 1,449.33   | 30                           | 7/6/2015  | 1,468.78   | Not Detected <sup>(3)</sup>  |
| 7/1/2010  | 1,546.60   | 31                           | 8/3/2015  | 1,789.77   | Not Detected <sup>(3)</sup>  |
| 8/2/2010  | 2,927.84   | 41                           | 9/2/2015  | 910.45     | 31                           |
| 9/1/2010  | 3,093.19   | 85                           | 10/1/2015 | 800.53     | 41                           |
| 10/4/2010 | 3,044.56   | 20                           | 11/9/2015 | 805.40     | 10                           |
| 11/1/2010 | 1,060.25   | 30                           | 4/11/2016 | 57.19      | 41                           |
| 4/4/2011  | 56.42      | 31                           | 5/2/2016  | 246.09     | 270                          |
| 5/3/2011  | 512.61     | 41                           | 6/1/2016  | 426.04     | 200                          |
| 6/1/2011  | 936.71     | 200                          | 7/11/2016 | 33.46      | 110                          |
| 7/5/2011  | 1,653.59   | 41                           | 8/1/2016  | 32.68      | 390                          |
| 8/1/2011  | 1,575.78   | 63                           | 9/1/2016  | 39.01      | 63                           |
| 9/1/2011  | 50.39      | 250                          | 10/3/2016 | 30.45      | 120                          |
| 10/3/2011 | 33.17      | 20                           | 11/2/2016 | 24.80      | 270                          |
| 11/2/2011 | 27.62      | 680                          | 4/3/2017  | 107.97     | 10                           |
| 4/2/2012  | 49.41      | 1,200                        | 5/8/2017  | 1,060.25   | 31                           |
| 5/1/2012  | 110.89     | 960                          | 6/1/2017  | 141.04     | 10                           |
| 6/11/2012 | 28.99      | 260                          | 7/3/2017  | 27.53      | 230                          |
| 7/3/2012  | 26.17      | 130                          | 8/1/2017  | 27.62      | 74                           |
| 8/1/2012  | 24.80      | 120                          | 9/6/2017  | 24.12      | 63                           |
| 9/4/2012  | 25.58      | 120                          | 10/5/2017 | 22.96      | 63                           |
| 10/1/2012 | 25.10      | 140                          | 11/6/2017 | 23.25      | 10                           |
| 11/5/2012 | 26.65      | 120                          | 4/3/2018  | 35.99      | 20                           |
| 4/1/2013  | 102.13     | 10                           | 5/1/2018  | 24.80      | 52                           |
| 5/1/2013  | 932.82     | 20                           | 6/4/2018  | 26.26      | 260                          |
| 6/3/2013  | 2,159.40   | 10                           | 7/5/2018  | 24.90      | 170                          |
| 7/1/2013  | 1,604.96   | 10                           | 8/1/2018  | 26.46      | 31                           |
| 8/5/2013  | 1,274.24   | 10                           | 9/5/2018  | 46.59      | 280                          |
| 9/3/2013  | 461.06     | 10                           | 10/1/2018 | 32.00      | 140                          |
| 10/2/2013 | 23.05      | 97                           | 11/5/2018 | 1,497.96   | 31                           |
| 11/4/2013 | 27.72      | 75                           | 4/2/2019  | 2,013.49   | Not Detected <sup>(3)</sup>  |
| 4/1/2014  | 44.94      | Not Detected <sup>(3)</sup>  | 5/1/2019  | 1,439.60   | 500                          |
| 5/1/2014  | 711.05     | 20                           | 6/3/2019  | 1,517.42   | 97                           |
| 6/2/2014  | 861.81     | 20                           | 7/1/2019  | 2,130.22   | 20                           |
| 7/1/2014  | 686.73     | 20                           | 8/5/2019  | 43.48      | 31                           |
| 8/5/2014  | 38.32      | 190                          | 9/4/2019  | 59.63      | 86                           |
| 9/3/2014  | 1,050.52   | 20                           | 10/1/2019 | 1,925.95   | 1,500                        |
| 10/2/2014 | 931.85     | 300                          | 11/5/2019 | 280.14     | 10                           |
| 11/5/2014 | 849.17     | 20                           | 4/1/2020  | 594.32     | Not Detected <sup>(3)</sup>  |
| 4/2/2015  | 39.69      | 20                           | 5/7/2020  | 53.89      | 41                           |
| 5/4/2015  | 38.62      | 170                          | 6/8/2020  | 1,478.51   | 31                           |



| Date      | Flow (cfs) | <i>E. coli</i> (orgs/100 ml) | Date                       | Flow (cfs) | <i>E. coli</i> (orgs/100 ml) |
|-----------|------------|------------------------------|----------------------------|------------|------------------------------|
| 7/8/2020  | 33.56      | 52                           | 10/5/2021                  | 20.62      | 120                          |
| 8/4/2020  | 24.51      | 63                           | 11/9/2021                  | 90.36      | 85                           |
| 9/9/2020  | 35.70      | 460                          |                            |            |                              |
| 10/1/2020 | 20.04      | 75                           | Min =                      | 13.131     | 5                            |
| 11/2/2020 | 13.13      | 20                           | 1 <sup>st</sup> Quartile = | 33.61      | 20                           |
| 4/5/2021  | 1,069.97   | Not Detected <sup>(3)</sup>  | Median =                   | 105.1      | 63                           |
| 5/3/2021  | 73.34      | 160                          | 3 <sup>rd</sup> Quartile = | 942.1      | 170                          |
| 6/1/2021  | 421.18     | 31                           | Max =                      | 8,657.1    | 6,700                        |
| 7/6/2021  | 420.21     | 20                           | Mean <sup>(2)</sup> =      | 599.7      | 68                           |
| 8/4/2021  | 1,459.05   | Not Detected <sup>(3)</sup>  | Std Dev =                  | 922.5      | 749                          |
| 9/1/2021  | 111.86     | 390                          |                            |            |                              |

(1) Individual sampling points had *E. coli* values greater than quantification value of 2,419.6 orgs/100 ml. In these cases 2,419.6 orgs/100 ml was used for calculation purposes.

(2) For *E. coli* this is a geomean.

(3) *E. coli* was not detectable. The minimum detection limit is 10 orgs/100/ml. Consequently, 5.0 orgs/100 ml was used in calculations.

## Appendix D - Flow Development and WLA Adjustments

The majority of the impaired stream segments are on ungauged streams. Consequently, was necessary to estimate average daily flow rates for those segments using estimation methods.

In all cases the drainage area ratio method was used to estimate average daily flow rates. If stream gauges existed on impaired streams, no estimation methods would have been needed since average daily flow rates could be read directly from the gauge data. A third method was used when the effluent discharge rates from NPDES permitted facilities exceeded the estimated average daily flow rates in the stream. A brief description of each method is given below.

### *Drainage Area Ratio (DAR)*

This is a common method where average daily flows from a gauged site are transferred to an ungauged site by using the average daily flow at the reference gauge multiplied by the ratio of the drainage areas of the unknown site to the reference gauge.

### *Wastewater WLAs Exceed the Streams Loading Capacity (ELC)*

In some cases, the WLA from the NPDES permitted facilities exceeds the loading capacity of the stream segment. This occurs when the design flows of the permitted facilities exceed the estimated average daily stream flow within a flow condition. In reality, flow from the treatment facility can never exceed stream flow because the effluent is part of the stream flow. In these cases, the WLA is assigned the TMDL target value less an MOS. A summary of these cases is below.

Table D.1 lists each of the impaired segments, the reference gauge used, method used to estimate flow rates, and the watershed that the segment is located in. Reference gauge locations are also shown in Figure 4.2, Figure 5.2, and Figure 6.2 for their respective HUC-10s.

**Table D.1. Summary of Flow Determinations**

| <b>Waterbody</b>       | <b>Stream Segment</b> | <b>Reference Gauge (USGS Gauge)</b> | <b>Method</b> | <b>Watershed</b> |
|------------------------|-----------------------|-------------------------------------|---------------|------------------|
| Chariton River         | IA 05-CHA-1307        | 06904010                            | DAR           | CC               |
| Chariton River         | IA 05-CHA-1308        | 06904010                            | DAR           | CC               |
| Chariton River         | IA 05-CHA-1310        | 06903400                            | DAR           | WC               |
| Chariton River         | IA 05-CHA-1311        | 06903400                            | ELC           | WC               |
| Chariton River         | IA 05-CHA-1312        | 06903400                            | ELC           | WC               |
| Chariton Creek         | IA 05-CHA-1313        | 06903400                            | DAR           | WC               |
| S. Fork Chariton River | IA 05-CHA-1327        | 06903700                            | DAR           | SFC              |
| S. Fork Chariton River | IA 05-CHA-1328        | 06903700                            | DAR           | SFC              |
| Walker Branch          | IA 05-CHA-1329        | 06903700                            | DAR           | SFC              |
| Jordan Creek           | IA 05-CHA-1330        | 06903700                            | DAR           | SFC              |
| Jackson Creek          | IA 05-CHA-1332        | 06903700                            | ELC           | SFC              |
| Ninemile Creek         | IA 05-CHA-1335        | 06903700                            | DAR           | SFC              |
| Honey Creek            | IA 05-CHA-1337        | 06903400                            | ELC           | WC               |
| Wolf Creek             | IA 05-CHA-1339        | 06903400                            | DAR           | WC               |
| Fivemile Creek         | IA 05-CHA-1341        | 06903400                            | DAR           | WC               |
| Honey Creek            | IA 05-CHA-2019        | 06903400                            | DAR           | WC               |

DAR - Drainage Area Ratio Method

ELC - NPDES Effluent Exceeds Estimated Stream Flow

WC - Wolf Creek - Chariton River HUC-10 Watershed

SFC - South Fork Chariton HUC-10 Watershed

CC - Cooper Creek - Chariton River HUC-10 Watershed

Summary of Cases Where WLA Exceeds the Stream Loading Capacity

Table D.2 through Table D.5 shows the loading capacity and the WLA for the SSM and the GM. Where the WLA exceeds the loading capacity minus the MOS the WLA is assigned the target loading capacity minus the MOS. These cases have been highlighted in bold text.

Chariton River, Segment IA 05-CHA-1311, Wolf Creek - Chariton River Watershed

Table D.2. Adjusted WLA for IA 05-CHA-1311

|     | Flow Condition              | High     | Moist    | Mid-Range | Dry      | Low             |
|-----|-----------------------------|----------|----------|-----------|----------|-----------------|
| SSM | Loading Capacity (orgs/day) | 1.80E+12 | 1.13E+11 | 2.58E+10  | 3.86E+09 | <b>1.29E+08</b> |
|     | WLA (orgs/day)              | 1.21E+09 | 1.21E+09 | 1.21E+09  | 1.21E+09 | <b>1.21E+09</b> |
|     | Adjusted WLA (orgs/day)     | 1.21E+09 | 1.21E+09 | 1.21E+09  | 1.21E+09 | <b>1.16E+08</b> |
| GM  | Loading Capacity (orgs/day) | 9.67E+11 | 6.07E+10 | 1.38E+10  | 2.07E+09 | <b>6.90E+07</b> |
|     | WLA (orgs/day)              | 6.53E+08 | 6.53E+08 | 6.53E+08  | 6.53E+08 | <b>6.53E+08</b> |
|     | Adjusted WLA (orgs/day)     | 6.53E+08 | 6.53E+08 | 6.53E+08  | 6.53E+08 | <b>6.21E+07</b> |

Chariton River, Segment IA 05-CHA-1312, Wolf Creek - Chariton River Watershed

Table D.3. Adjusted WLA for IA 05-CHA-1312

|     | Flow Condition              | High     | Moist    | Mid-Range | Dry             | Low             |
|-----|-----------------------------|----------|----------|-----------|-----------------|-----------------|
| SSM | Loading Capacity (orgs/day) | 1.24E+12 | 7.80E+10 | 1.77E+10  | <b>2.66E+09</b> | <b>8.87E+07</b> |
|     | WLA (orgs/day)              | 2.42E+09 | 2.42E+09 | 2.42E+09  | <b>2.42E+09</b> | <b>2.42E+09</b> |
|     | Adjusted WLA (orgs/day)     | 2.42E+09 | 2.42E+09 | 2.42E+09  | <b>2.40E+09</b> | <b>7.98E+07</b> |
| GM  | Loading Capacity (orgs/day) | 6.66E+11 | 4.18E+10 | 9.51E+09  | <b>1.43E+09</b> | <b>4.76E+07</b> |
|     | WLA (orgs/day)              | 1.30E+09 | 1.30E+09 | 1.30E+09  | <b>1.30E+09</b> | <b>1.30E+09</b> |
|     | Adjusted WLA (orgs/day)     | 1.30E+09 | 1.30E+09 | 1.30E+09  | <b>1.28E+09</b> | <b>4.28E+07</b> |

Jackson Creek, Segment IA 05-CHA-1332, South Fork Chariton River Watershed

Table D.4. Adjusted WLA for IA 05-CHA-1332

|     | Flow Condition              | High     | Moist    | Mid-Range | Dry             | Low             |
|-----|-----------------------------|----------|----------|-----------|-----------------|-----------------|
| SSM | Loading Capacity (orgs/day) | 1.42E+12 | 1.21E+11 | 2.94E+10  | <b>4.74E+09</b> | <b>8.87E+08</b> |
|     | WLA (orgs/day)              | 1.01E+10 | 1.01E+10 | 1.01E+10  | <b>1.01E+10</b> | <b>1.01E+10</b> |
|     | Adjusted WLA (orgs/day)     | 1.01E+10 | 1.01E+10 | 1.01E+10  | <b>4.27E+09</b> | <b>7.98E+08</b> |
| GM  | Loading Capacity (orgs/day) | 7.63E+11 | 6.47E+10 | 1.58E+10  | <b>2.54E+09</b> | <b>4.76E+08</b> |
|     | WLA (orgs/day)              | 5.42E+09 | 5.42E+09 | 5.42E+09  | <b>5.42E+09</b> | <b>5.42E+09</b> |
|     | Adjusted WLA (orgs/day)     | 5.42E+09 | 5.42E+09 | 5.42E+09  | <b>2.29E+09</b> | <b>4.28E+08</b> |

Honey Creek, Segment IA 05-CHA-1337, Wolf Creek - Chariton River Watershed

Table D.5. Adjusted WLA for IA 05-CHA-1337

|    | Flow Condition              | High     | Moist    | Mid-Range | Dry      | Low             |
|----|-----------------------------|----------|----------|-----------|----------|-----------------|
| GM | Loading Capacity (orgs/day) | 1.46E+12 | 9.17E+10 | 2.09E+10  | 3.13E+09 | <b>1.04E+08</b> |
|    | WLA (orgs/day)              | 1.48E+09 | 1.48E+09 | 1.48E+09  | 1.48E+09 | <b>1.48E+09</b> |
|    | Adjusted WLA (orgs/day)     | 1.48E+09 | 1.48E+09 | 1.48E+09  | 1.48E+09 | <b>9.39E+07</b> |

## Appendix E - DNR Project Files and Locations

This appendix is primarily for future reference by DNR staff that may wish to access the original spreadsheets, models, maps, figures, and other files utilized in the development of the TMDL.

**Table E.1. Project Files and Locations**

| Directory\folder path  | File name  | Description  |
|--|--|--|
| \\iowa.gov.state.ia.us\data\DNR_WQ<br>B_WIS_TMDL\Final_TMDLs\UpperChariton-R_00\Data\Raw\WQ Data                                   | Various Files:<br>File Type:.XLSX<br><br>Raw data for stream segment 1307 & 1308 and raw data for segments upstream of Rathbun Lake.                                 | General Summary of all stream segments. Includes tabs with WQ Data for each stream organized by stream segment and data collection site. |
| \\iowa.gov.state.ia.us\data\DNR_WQ<br>B_WIS_TMDL\Final_TMDLs\UpperChariton-R_00\Data\Reduced\Upper_Chariton_Flows                  | Various files,<br>File Type: .XLS<br><br>Example:<br>"Wolf Creek HUC10.xlsx". This is the stream flow calculations for streams in the Wolf Creek HUC10 watershed.    | Stream Segment Flow Calculation spreadsheets. The flow calculations are organized by HUC-10 watersheds and subdivided by stream segment. |
| \\iowa.gov.state.ia.us\data\DNR_WQ<br>B_WIS_TMDL\Final_TMDLs\UpperChariton-R_00\Modeling\LDC                                       | Various files,<br>File Type: .XLS<br><br>Example 1:<br>"IA 05-CHA-1308 LDC". This is the LDC for stream segment IA 05-CHA-1308 on the Chariton River.                | Load Duration Curve spreadsheets. The LDC's are organized by HUC-10 watersheds and subdivided by stream within the listed directory.     |
| \\iowa.gov.state.ia.us\data\DNR_WQ<br>B_WIS_TMDL\Final_TMDLs\UpperChariton-R_00\Modeling\NPDES                                     | Wasteload Allocations 072922.xlsx  | Waste Load Allocation spreadsheets. The WLA's are organized by HUC-10 watersheds.  |
| \\iowa.gov.state.ia.us\data\DNR_WQ<br>B_WIS_TMDL\Final_TMDLs\UpperChariton-R_00\Data\Weather                                       | Various files,<br>File Type: .XLS<br><br>Example:<br>"Climate_RathbunDam_2016-12-13.xlsx". This file was developed from SWAT data as part of the Rathbun Lake TMDL.. | Weather Data.<br>3 separate files exist for each HUC-10 watershed within the Upper Chariton River watershed.                             |
| \\iowa.gov.state.ia.us\data\DNR_GIS_Data\NASS\National_cropland_data_layer\CDL_2014\03RECODE\Grids.<br>(Location of original file) | cdl2014rc, Raster File   | National Crop Land Layer. This was used to generate Land Use Coverage data and statistics.   |
| \\iowa.gov.state.ia.us\data\DNR_WQ<br>B_WIS_TMDL\Final_TMDLs\UpperChariton-R_00\Data\Reduced\Land_Use                              | Combined LandUse.XLS   | Land Use Statistics. The spreadsheet has a separate tab for each HUC-10 watershed in the Upper Chariton River watershed.                 |
| \\iowa.gov.state.ia.us\data\DNR_WQ<br>B_WIS_TMDL\Final_TMDLs\UpperChariton-R_00\GIS\GIS_Data                                       | Various shapefiles (.shp) and raster files (.grd)  | Used to develop models and maps.   |

| Directory\folder path  | File name                             | Description  |
|--|---------------------------------------|--|
| \\iowa.gov.state.ia.us\data\DNR_WQ<br>B_WIS_TMDL\Final_TMDLs\<br>UpperChariton-R_00\Documents,<br>Presentations\References | Various .pdf and .doc files           | References cited in the WQIP and/or<br>utilized to develop model input<br>parameters |
| \\iowa.gov.state.ia.us\data\DNR_WQ<br>B_WIS_TMDL\Final_TMDLs\<br>UpperChariton-R_00\Data                                   | Various Files<br>Various File Formats | Raw data collected from various<br>sources used to develop the report.               |

## **Appendix F - Public Comments**

### *Public Comment*

The Iowa DNR received no public comments on the Upper Chariton River TMDL.