ULTRA-OLIGOTROPHIC

OLIGOTROPHIC

OLIGO-MESOTROPHIC

GORE & MILLE-ISLES LAKES – RSVL WATER QUALITY MONITORING RESULTS 2021

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MESO-EUTROPHIC

EUTROPHIC

LAKE	RSVL #	DEEPEST SPOT SAMPLING STATION	Phosphorus Total trace (µg/l)	Chlorophyll <i>a</i> (µg/l)	Dissolved Organic Carbon (mg/l)	Transparency (meters) No. measurements	COMBINED RESULTS TROPHIC LEVEL OF THE LAKE	Résultats
HUGHES	#571	26,6m	6,4	2,4	4,7 (colored)	(10) 4,6m	OLIGOTROPHIC	Little or no signs of eutrophication-Peu ou pas de signes d'eutrophisation
BARRON	#188 A	33,8m	5,8	2,7	4 (colored)	(7) 5,1m	OLIGO-MESOTROPHIC	Some signs of eutrophication
	#188 B		5,1	3,1	5 (colored)	(7) 5m	OLIGO-MESOTROPHIC	Some signs of eutrophication
	#188 C		6,2	3	4,3 (colored)	(7) 4,7m	OLIGO-MESOTROPHIC	Some signs of eutrophication
SOLAR	#784	6,0m	11	2,3	4,1 (colored)	(5) 4 <i>,</i> 3m	OLIGO-MESOTROPHIC	Some signs of eutrophication
CAROLINE	#786	5,5m	7,5	2,1	4,5 (colored)	(3) 4m	OLIGO-MESOTROPHIC	Some signs of eutrophication
EVANS	#785	4,1m	14	8,7	4,7 (colored)	(3) 2,2m	MESO-EUTROPHIC	Advanced intermediate stage of eutrophication
RAY	#672	4,0m	17	5,8	5,9 (colored)	(8) 2m	MESOTROPHIC	Intermediate stage of eutrophication
CHEVREUIL	#395	3,8 m	-	-	-	(12) 2,2m	-	
CLARK	#397		-	-	-	-	-	
KENNEY	#557	10,4m	-	-	-	(7) 5m	-	
ЕСНО	#556	14,4m	-	-	-	-	-	
FREDERIC	#863		17	14	8 (highly colored)	No measurements	MESO-EUTROPHIC	Advanced intermediate stage of eutrophication
CLAIR	#146	24,6m	4,1	0,95	3,9 (slightly colored)	(10) 6,1m	OLIGOTROPHIC	Little or no signs of eutrophication
SIR-JOHN	#273	21,0m	-	-	-	-	-	
DAINAVA	#514	2,3m	14	3	4,7 (colored)	(7) 1,6m	OLIGO-MESOTROPHIC	Some signs of eutrophication
BECS-SCIE	#620	16,6m	-	-	-	(10) 5,9m	-	
PAUL	#61	4,4m	12	3,6	4,2 (colored)	(6) 3m	MESOTROPHIC	Intermediate stage of eutrophication

EUTROPHICATION/LAKE AGING

Lakes age naturally over hundreds or thousands of years. This phenomenon is called EUTROPHICATION. Natural eutrophication can be accelerated by shoreline development and human activities; not only at the lake, but also in the watershed. Premature aging is one of the main problems affecting our lakes.

Lake aging (trophic level) assessment is carried out by measuring the parameters shown in the table.

LAKE TROPHIC CLASSIFICATION

ULTRA- OLIGOTROPHIC	No signs of eutrophication/lake aging
OLIGOTROPHIC	Little or no signs of eutrophication
OLIGO-MESOTROPHIC	Some signs of eutrophication
MESOTROPHIC	Intermediate stage of eutrophication
MESO-EUTROPHIC	Advanced intermediate stage of eutrophication
EUTROPHIC	Significantly advanced stage of eutrophication

SOME SIGNS OF ADVANCING EUTROPHICATION:

- Increased algae & aquatic plants
- Reduction in dissolved oxygen
- Greater accumulation of sediments (Some activities increase shoreline erosion → increased sediments entering the lake)

LAKE EUTROPHICATION ASSESSMENT ALSO INCLUDES MONITORING:

- The abundance of aquatic plants in the shallow waters
- The abundance of algae (periphyton) attached to submerged rocks/objects (Refer to RSVL Protocol)
- Shoreline erosion → Sediments
- Dissolved Oxygen Levels in the deep waters (Refer to CRE Laurentides Protocol)

WATER QUALITY MONITORING - LAKE HUGHES RSVL RESULTS 2010-2021

> RSVL PHOSPHORUS TEST RESULTS BEFORE 2018 ARE UNDER REVISION

LAKE HUGHES SAMPLING STATION: RSVL #571: at the deepest area of the lake (26,6 m)

		Phosphorus Total trace (µg/l) STIMULATES GROWTH OF PLANTS & ALGAE	Chlorophyll a (µg/l) ALGAE MEASUREMENT	Dissolved Organic Carbon (mg/l) WATER COLOR HAVING AN IMPACT ON TRANSPARENCY	Transparency (meters) No. measurements WATER CLARITY	COMBINED RESULTS TROPHIC LEVEL OF LAKE HUGHES
	2010	6,2	3,2	5,9 (colored)	(11) 4,7m	OLIGO-MESOTROPHIC
	2011	6	3,2	5,2 (colored)	(12) 4,6m	OLIGO-MESOTROPHIC
	2012	3,4	3,8	5,3 (colored)	(12) 3,9m	OLIGO-MESOTROPHIC
	2013				(4) 5m	
	2014				(4) 4 <i>,</i> 8m	
	2015				(5) 4 <i>,</i> 3m	
	2016	3,4	2,7	5 (colored)	(12) 4,7m	OLIGO-MESOTROPHIC
	2017					
	2018	4,7	2,6	4,7 (colored)	(13) 4,9m	OLIGO-MESOTROPHIC
	2019	6,7	2,9	5,6 (colored)	(11) 4,5m	OLIGO-MESOTROPHIC
ſ	2020	4,8	3,0	4,8 (colored)	(11) 4,4m	OLIGO-MESOTROPHIC
ľ	2021	6,4	2,4	4,7 (colored)	(10) 4,6m	OLIGOTROPHIC

The trophic status of a lake must be interpreted with caution – the monitoring must be done over time to establish a trend.

RSVL recommends sampling for 2 or 3 consecutive years (3 samples per summer in June, July & Aug.); pause for 4 years, and resume for 2-3 years. A participant can choose to carry out the follow-up more often than the RSVL recommends, but it must be accepted by RSVL. INFO & COMPLETE REPORTS ARE AVAILABLE ON THE RSVL & CRE LAURENTIDES (Atlas des lacs) WEBSITES

REFERENCES: Réseau de surveillance volontaire des lacs (RSVL) / Conseil régional de l'environnement des Laurentides (CRE Laurentides)