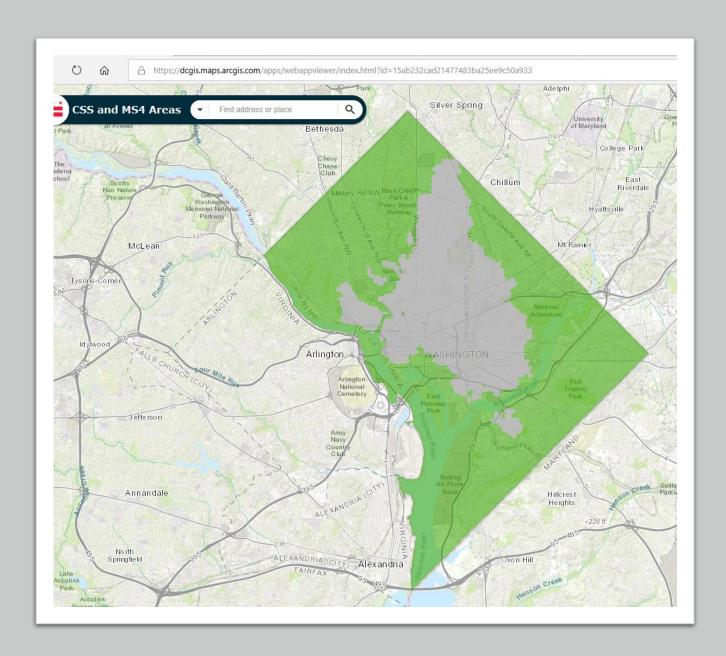
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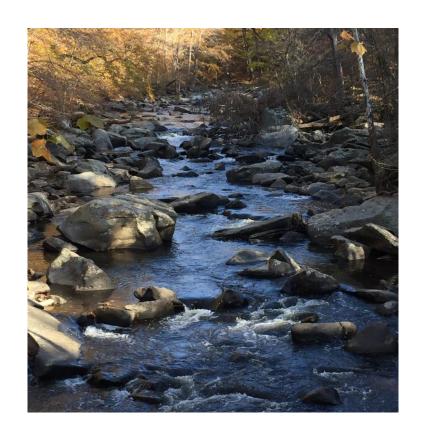






# Stormwater sewer Combined sewer









# **District Surface Waters**



#### Site-specific Targeted Monitoring Results

# Causes of Impairment District Of Columbia Rivers and Streams 2016

#### <u>Description of this table</u>

<u>Cause of Impairment</u>	Cause of Impairment Group	Miles Threatened or Impaired
Polychlorinated Biphenyls (PCBs)	Polychlorinated Biphenyls (PCBs)	38.4
Escherichia Coli (E. Coli)	Pathogens	38.4
Copper	Metals (other than Mercury)	27.6
Zinc	Metals (other than Mercury)	27.6
Turbidity	Turbidity	25.6
Dieldrin	Pesticides	21.9
Heptachlor Epoxide	Pesticides	21.9
Arsenic	Metals (other than Mercury)	21.6
Chlordane	Pesticides	21.1
Polycyclic Aromatic Hydrocarbons (PAHs) (Aquatic Ecosystems)	Toxic Organics	20.7

# Monitoring Initiative Examples

#### **TMDLs**

#### **Chesapeake Bay**

Supplement nontidal monitoring data

#### **Anacostia Toxics**

Wet and dry weather monitoring

#### **Bacteria**

Recent court opinion—revise all

# Water Quality Standards & Assessment

#### **Citizen Science**

Recreational water quality criteria in Anacostia River

#### Bacteria Source Tracking Study

**Rock Creek** 

#### **Background Study**

District-wide

# MS4 NPDES permit

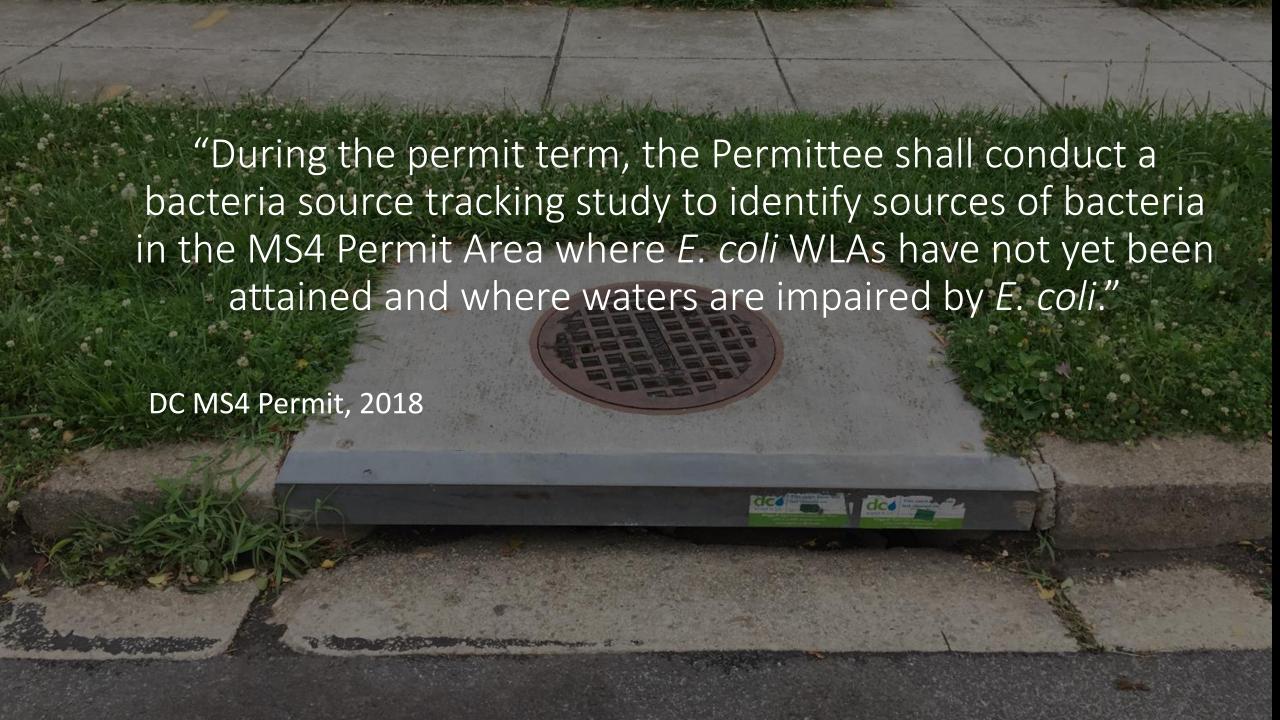
### Impact of MS4 Discharges

Rapid stream assessment

**Bacteria Source Tracking Study** 

Anacostia River





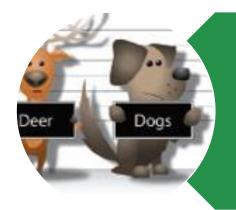
# Bacteria Source Tacking Study



# **Bacteria Source Tracking Study**



Characterize fecal pollution sources in outfalls

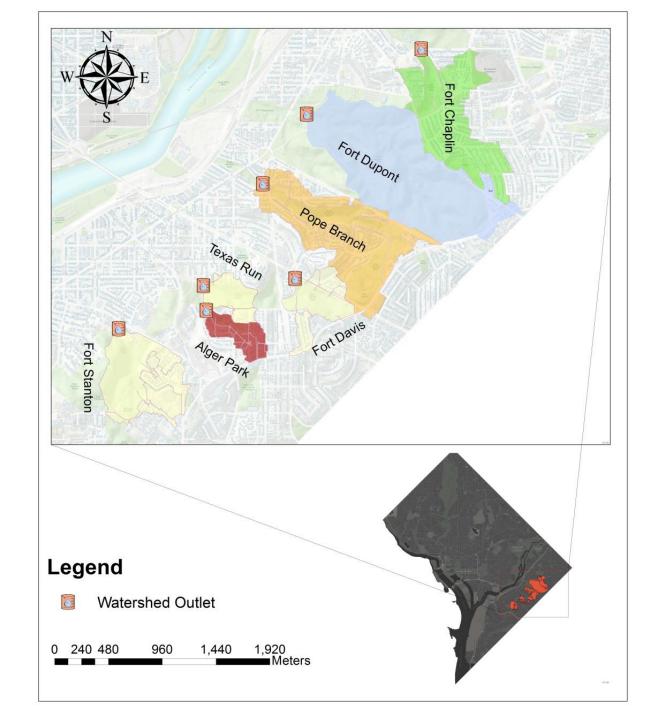


Develop procedure with quantitative PCR

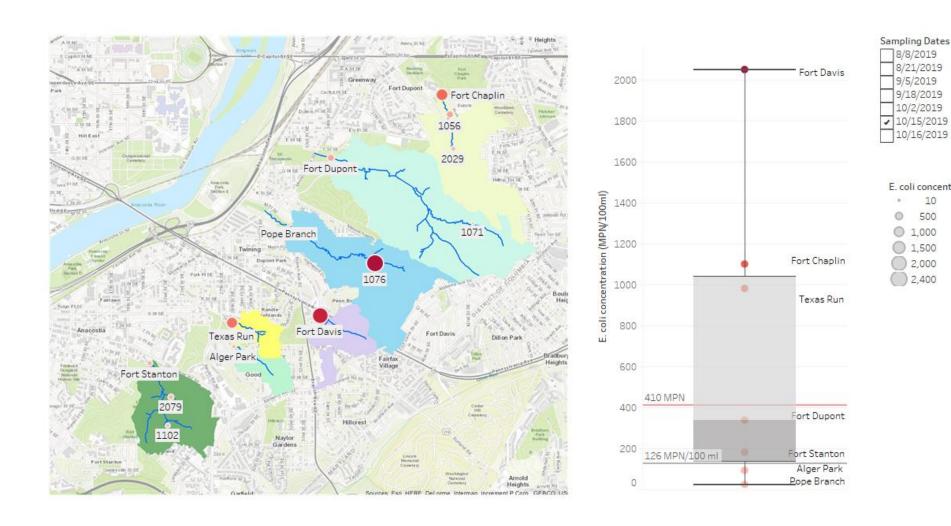


# **Sites**

- 1<sup>st</sup> order catchments
- Historic data
- No known CSOs
- Dry weather (2/mth)
- Wet weather (6-8)
- Water quality parameters
- MST qPCR
  - Human
  - Non-human
    - bird, dog, and deer



# **Dry Event**



8/8/2019 8/21/2019

9/5/2019

9/18/2019 10/2/2019

E. coli concentration

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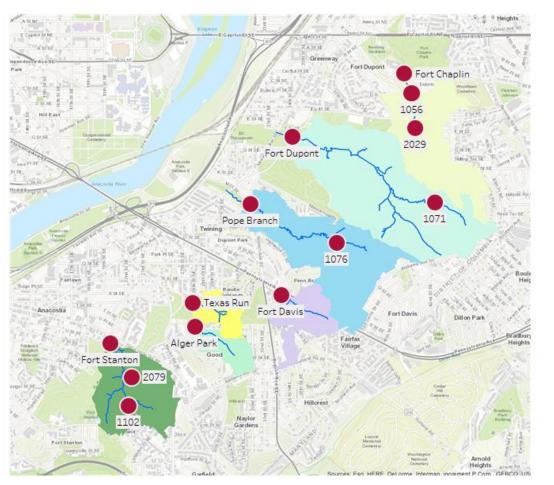
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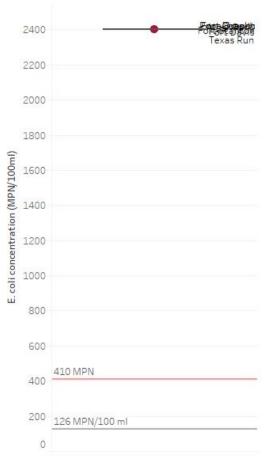
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# Wet Event (1.4" rainfall)





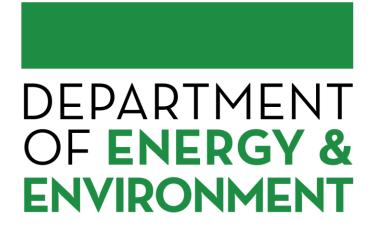


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E. coli concentration

## THANK YOU





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	Rivers and Streams miles	Lakes, Reservoirs, and Ponds acres	Bays and Estuaries m <sup>2</sup>
Total Assessed Waters	38	238	6
<b>Total Waters</b>	39	238	6
Percent of Waters Assessed	99	100	99

#### District Of Columbia Causes of Impairment for 303(d) Listed Waters

#### <u>Description of this table</u>

**NOTE**: Click on a cause of impairment (e.g. pathogens) to see the specific state-reported causes that are grouped to make up this category. Click on the "Number of impairment.

Cause of Impairment Group Name	Number of Causes of Impairment Reported
<u>Pesticides</u>	<u>75</u>
Metals (other than Mercury)	<u>48</u>
<u>Turbidity</u>	<u>27</u>
Polychlorinated Biphenyls (PCBs)	<u>19</u>
<u>Toxic Organics</u>	<u>15</u>
<u>Pathogens</u>	<u>12</u>
Organic Enrichment/Oxygen Depletion	<u>5</u>
pH/Acidity/Caustic Conditions	4
<u>Chlorine</u>	<u>1</u>