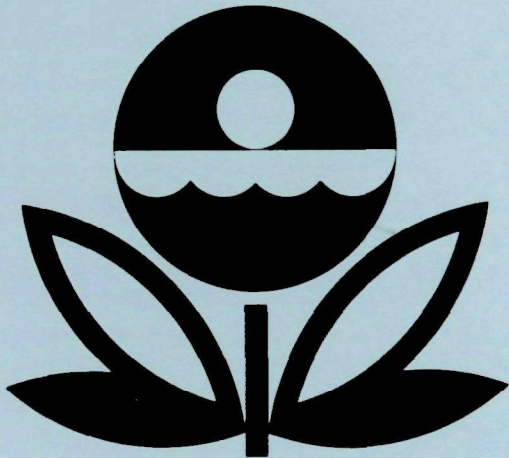


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## FOREWORD

The National Eutrophication Survey was initiated in 1972 in response to an Administration commitment to investigate the nationwide threat of accelerated eutrophication to freshwater lakes and reservoirs.

OBJECTIVES

The Survey was designed to develop, in conjunction with state environmental agencies, information on nutrient sources, concentrations, and impact on selected freshwater lakes as a basis for formulating comprehensive and coordinated national, regional, and state management practices relating to point source discharge reduction and nonpoint source pollution abatement in lake watersheds.

ANALYTIC APPROACH

The mathematical and statistical procedures selected for the Survey's eutrophication analysis are based on related concepts that:

- a. A generalized representation or model relating sources, concentrations, and impacts can be constructed.
- b. By applying measurements of relevant parameters associated with lake degradation, the generalized model can be transformed into an operational representation of a lake, its drainage basin, and related nutrients.
- c. With such a transformation, an assessment of the potential for eutrophication control can be made.

LAKE ANALYSIS

In this report, the first stage of evaluation of lake and watershed data collected from the study lake and its drainage basin is documented. The report is formatted to provide state environmental agencies with specific information for basin planning [§303(e)], water quality criteria/standards review [§303(c)], clean lakes [§314(a,b)], and water quality monitoring [§106 and §305(b)] activities mandated by the Federal Water Pollution Control Act Amendments of 1972.

Beyond the single lake analysis, broader based correlations between nutrient concentrations (and loading) and trophic condition are being made to advance the rationale and data base for refinement of nutrient water quality criteria for the Nation's freshwater lakes. Likewise, multivariate evaluations for the relationships between land use, nutrient export, and trophic condition, by lake class or use, are being developed to assist in the formulation of planning guidelines and policies by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency and to augment plans implementation by the states.

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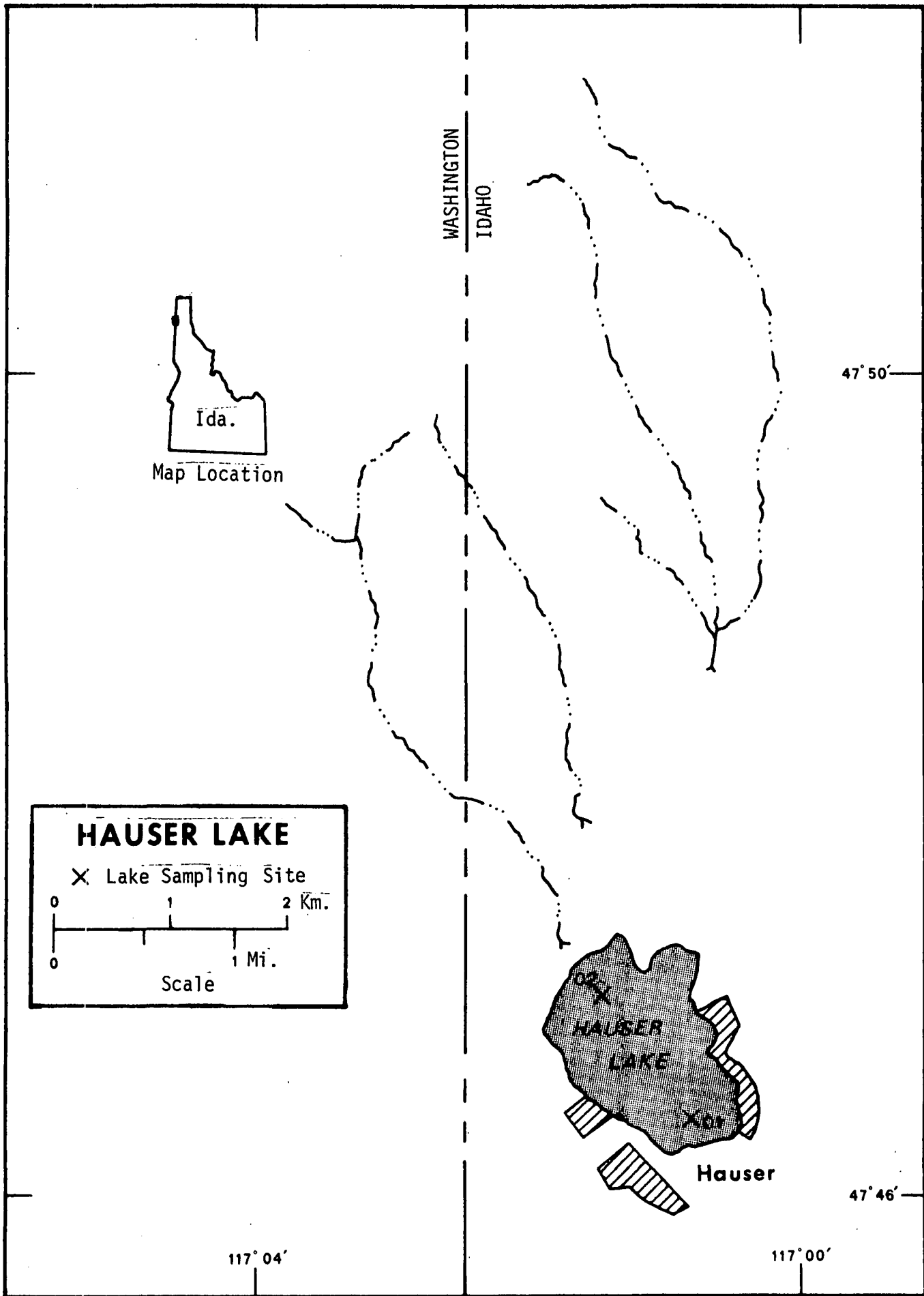
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## NATIONAL EUTROPHICATION SURVEY

## STUDY LAKES

STATE OF IDAHO

| <u>LAKE NAME</u>                  | <u>COUNTY</u>              |
|-----------------------------------|----------------------------|
| American Falls Reservoir          | Bannock, Bingham, Power    |
| Cascade Reservoir                 | Valley                     |
| Coeur d'Alene Lake                | Benewah, Kootenai          |
| Dworshak Reservoir                | Clearwater                 |
| Hauser Lake                       | Kootenai                   |
| Hayden Lake                       | Kootenai                   |
| Island Park Reservoir             | Fremont                    |
| Lake Lowell (Deer Flat Reservoir) | Canyon                     |
| Magic Reservoir                   | Blaine, Camas              |
| Palisades Reservoir               | Bonneville (Lincoln in WY) |
| Payette Lake                      | Valley                     |
| Lower Twin Lake                   | Kootenai                   |
| Upper Twin Lake                   | Kootenai                   |



## REPORT ON HAUSER LAKE, IDAHO

STORET NO. 1605

### I. INTRODUCTION

Hauser Lake was included in the National Eutrophication Survey (NES) as a water body of special interest to the Idaho Department of Health and Welfare. Tributaries and nutrient sources were not sampled, and this report relates only to the data obtained from lake sampling.

### II. CONCLUSIONS

#### A. Trophic Condition:\*

Based upon Survey data, Hauser Lake is considered eutrophic, i.e., nutrient rich and highly productive. Whether such nutrient enrichment is to be considered beneficial or deleterious is determined by its actual or potential impact upon designated beneficial water uses of each lake.

Chlorophyll a levels in the lake ranged from 1.8  $\mu\text{g/l}$  to 35.6  $\mu\text{g/l}$  with a mean of 11.1  $\mu\text{g/l}$ . Hypolimnetic oxygen levels in the lake were severely depressed during September, and the potential for primary productivity as measured by algal assay control yields was high during September and October. Of the 13 Idaho lakes sampled in 1974, 5 had higher median total phosphorus, 4 had higher median inorganic nitrogen and 3 had higher median orthophosphorus levels than

\*See Appendix C.

Hauser Lake; ammonia and phosphorus were especially high in the hypolimnion at Station 01 during September and October.

Survey limnologists reported algal blooms and floating algal mats throughout the lake in June and July, as well as some floating aquatic macrophytes (water lilies, duckweed). Other studies (Idaho Department of Water Resources, et al. 1975) indicate poor water quality in Hauser Lake can be mainly attributed to excessive residential development with inadequate septic systems, and agricultural runoff.

B. Rate-Limiting Nutrient:

The algal assay results indicate Hauser Lake was limited by available phosphorus during June sampling, but by nitrogen during September and October assay sample collections. The lake data suggest primary limitation by nitrogen on all sampling occasions.

### III. LAKE CHARACTERISTICS

#### A. Lake Morphometry:\*

1. Surface area:  $2.43 \text{ km}^2$ .
2. Mean depth: 1.2 meters.
3. Maximum depth: 12.2 meters.
4. Volume:  $2.837 \times 10^6 \text{ m}^3$ .

#### B. Precipitation:

1. Year of sampling: 86.1 cm.
2. Mean annual: 84.2 cm.

\*Lake surface area, mean depth and volume provided by Herman Ray (1976). Maximum depth was estimated on the basis of National Eutrophication Survey (NES) sampling data.

#### IV. LAKE WATER QUALITY SUMMARY

Hauser Lake was sampled four times during the open-water season of 1975 by means of a pontoon-equipped Huey helicopter. Each time, samples for physical and chemical parameters were collected from two stations on the lake and from a number of depths at each station (see map, page v). During each visit, depth-integrated samples were collected from each station for chlorophyll a analysis and phytoplankton identification and enumeration. During the first and last visits, 18.9-liter depth-integrated samples were composited for algal assays. Maximum depths sampled were 10.7 meters at Station 01 and 7.3 meters at Station 02. For a more detailed explanation of NES methods, see NES Working Paper No. 175.

The results obtained are presented in full in Appendix B and are summarized in III-A for waters at the surface and at the maximum depth for each site. Results of the phytoplankton counts and chlorophyll a determinations are included in III-B. Results of the limiting nutrient study are presented in III-C.

PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL CHARACTERISTICS

( 10/23/75 )

S\*\*\* = 2      MAX  
DEPTH  
RANGE  
(METERS)

| PARAMETER                | N* | RANGE       | MEDIAN | MAX<br>DEPTH<br>RANGE<br>(METERS) |
|--------------------------|----|-------------|--------|-----------------------------------|
| TEMPERATURE (DEG CENT)   |    |             |        |                                   |
| 0.-1.5 M DEPTH           | 4  | 11.7- 11.9  | 11.9   | 0.0- 1.5                          |
| MAX DEPTH**              | 2  | 9.0- 11.3   | 10.1   | 7.3- 10.7                         |
| DISSOLVED OXYGEN (MG/L)  |    |             |        |                                   |
| 0.-1.5 M DEPTH           | 4  | 7.2- 7.8    | 7.5    | 0.0- 1.5                          |
| MAX DEPTH**              | 2  | 0.6- 7.8    | 4.2    | 7.3- 10.7                         |
| CONDUCTIVITY (UMHOS)     |    |             |        |                                   |
| 0.-1.5 M DEPTH           | 4  | 43.- 46.    | 45.    | 0.0- 1.5                          |
| MAX DEPTH**              | 2  | 53.- 64.    | 59.    | 7.3- 10.7                         |
| PH (STANDARD UNITS)      |    |             |        |                                   |
| 0.-1.5 M DEPTH           | 4  | 7.1- 7.8    | 7.3    | 0.0- 1.5                          |
| MAX DEPTH**              | 2  | 6.9- 7.1    | 7.0    | 7.3- 10.7                         |
| TOTAL ALKALINITY (MG/L)  |    |             |        |                                   |
| 0.-1.5 M DEPTH           | 4  | 20.- 32.    | 24.    | 0.0- 1.5                          |
| MAX DEPTH**              | 2  | 18.- 28.    | 23.    | 7.3- 10.7                         |
| TOTAL P (MG/L)           |    |             |        |                                   |
| 0.-1.5 M DEPTH           | 4  | 0.029-0.043 | 0.033  | 0.0- 1.5                          |
| MAX DEPTH**              | 2  | 0.026-0.632 | 0.329  | 7.3- 10.7                         |
| DISSOLVED ORTHO P (MG/L) |    |             |        |                                   |
| 0.-1.5 M DEPTH           | 4  | 0.010-0.016 | 0.013  | 0.0- 1.5                          |
| MAX DEPTH**              | 2  | 0.007-0.454 | 0.230  | 7.3- 10.7                         |
| NO2+NO3 (MG/L)           |    |             |        |                                   |
| 0.-1.5 M DEPTH           | 4  | 0.020-0.020 | 0.020  | 0.0- 1.5                          |
| MAX DEPTH**              | 2  | 0.020-0.030 | 0.025  | 7.3- 10.7                         |
| AMMONIA (MG/L)           |    |             |        |                                   |
| 0.-1.5 M DEPTH           | 4  | 0.070-0.090 | 0.080  | 0.0- 1.5                          |
| MAX DEPTH**              | 2  | 0.070-0.890 | 0.480  | 7.3- 10.7                         |
| KJELDAHL N (MG/L)        |    |             |        |                                   |
| 0.-1.5 M DEPTH           | 4  | 0.400-0.400 | 0.400  | 0.0- 1.5                          |
| MAX DEPTH**              | 2  | 0.400-1.200 | 0.800  | 7.3- 10.7                         |
| SECCHI DISC (METERS)     |    |             |        |                                   |
|                          | 2  | 2.7- 3.0    | 2.9    |                                   |

\* N = NO. OF SAMPLES

\*\* MAXIMUM DEPTH SAMPLED AT EACH SITE

\*\*\* S = NO. OF SITES SAMPLED ON THIS DATE

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PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL CHARACTERISTICS

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| PARAMETER                | N* | RANGE       | MEDIAN | MAX<br>DEPTH<br>RANGE<br>(METERS) | N* | RANGE       | MEDIAN | MAX<br>DEPTH<br>RANGE<br>(METERS) | N* | RANGE       | MEDIAN | MAX<br>DEPTH<br>RANGE<br>(METERS) |
|--------------------------|----|-------------|--------|-----------------------------------|----|-------------|--------|-----------------------------------|----|-------------|--------|-----------------------------------|
| TEMPERATURE (DEG CENT)   |    |             |        |                                   |    |             |        |                                   |    |             |        |                                   |
| 0.-1.5 M DEPTH           | 4  | 15.8- 16.4  | 16.1   | 0.0- 1.5                          | 3  | 27.4- 27.5  | 27.5   | 0.0- 1.5                          | 4  | 14.9- 15.4  | 15.1   | 0.0- 1.5                          |
| MAX DEPTH**              | 2  | 6.2- 8.6    | 7.4    | 7.3- 10.4                         | 2  | 10.9- 13.8  | 12.3   | 6.7- 9.4                          | 2  | 4.4- 10.3   | 7.3    | 6.7- 10.1                         |
| DISSOLVED OXYGEN (MG/L)  |    |             |        |                                   |    |             |        |                                   |    |             |        |                                   |
| 0.-1.5 M DEPTH           | 4  | 8.8- 9.2    | 8.8    | 0.0- 1.5                          | 3  | 8.4- 9.2    | 9.0    | 0.0- 1.5                          | 4  | 8.6- 9.6    | 9.2    | 0.0- 1.5                          |
| MAX DEPTH**              | 2  | 6.6- 6.8    | 6.7    | 7.3- 10.4                         | 2  | 8.8- 9.2    | 9.0    | 6.7- 9.4                          | 2  | 0.2- 1.8    | 1.0    | 6.7- 10.1                         |
| CONDUCTIVITY (UMHOS)     |    |             |        |                                   |    |             |        |                                   |    |             |        |                                   |
| 0.-1.5 M DEPTH           | 4  | 38.- 40.    | 40.    | 0.0- 1.5                          | 3  | 48.- 52.    | 51.    | 0.0- 1.5                          | 3  | 33.- 34.    | 33.    | 0.0- 1.5                          |
| MAX DEPTH**              | 2  | 34.- 35.    | 35.    | 7.3- 10.4                         | 2  | 38.- 42.    | 40.    | 6.7- 9.4                          | 2  | 33.- 42.    | 38.    | 6.7- 10.1                         |
| PH (STANDARD UNITS)      |    |             |        |                                   |    |             |        |                                   |    |             |        |                                   |
| 0.-1.5 M DEPTH           | 4  | 7.8- 8.3    | 8.0    | 0.0- 1.5                          | 3  | 8.2- 8.6    | 8.3    | 0.0- 1.5                          | 4  | 7.5- 8.5    | 7.8    | 0.0- 1.5                          |
| MAX DEPTH**              | 2  | 7.1- 7.5    | 7.3    | 7.3- 10.4                         | 2  | 7.2- 7.6    | 7.4    | 6.7- 9.4                          | 2  | 7.1- 7.2    | 7.1    | 6.7- 10.1                         |
| TOTAL ALKALINITY (MG/L)  |    |             |        |                                   |    |             |        |                                   |    |             |        |                                   |
| 0.-1.5 M DEPTH           | 4  | 23.- 24.    | 24.    | 0.0- 1.5                          | 3  | 19.- 24.    | 20.    | 0.0- 1.5                          | 4  | 21.- 24.    | 23.    | 0.0- 1.5                          |
| MAX DEPTH**              | 2  | 15.- 26.    | 21.    | 7.3- 10.4                         | 2  | 22.- 23.    | 23.    | 6.7- 9.4                          | 2  | 25.- 31.    | 28.    | 6.7- 10.1                         |
| TOTAL P (MG/L)           |    |             |        |                                   |    |             |        |                                   |    |             |        |                                   |
| 0.-1.5 M DEPTH           | 4  | 0.024-0.040 | 0.027  | 0.0- 1.5                          | 3  | 0.012-0.012 | 0.012  | 0.0- 1.5                          | 4  | 0.017-0.035 | 0.019  | 0.0- 1.5                          |
| MAX DEPTH**              | 2  | 0.028-0.032 | 0.030  | 7.3- 10.4                         | 2  | 0.011-0.015 | 0.013  | 6.7- 9.4                          | 2  | 0.048-0.350 | 0.199  | 6.7- 10.1                         |
| DISSOLVED ORTHO P (MG/L) |    |             |        |                                   |    |             |        |                                   |    |             |        |                                   |
| 0.-1.5 M DEPTH           | 4  | 0.011-0.024 | 0.014  | 0.0- 1.5                          | 3  | 0.012-0.013 | 0.012  | 0.0- 1.5                          | 4  | 0.003-0.011 | 0.007  | 0.0- 1.5                          |
| MAX DEPTH**              | 2  | 0.013-0.018 | 0.015  | 7.3- 10.4                         | 2  | 0.015-0.037 | 0.026  | 6.7- 9.4                          | 2  | 0.014-0.255 | 0.134  | 6.7- 10.1                         |
| NO2+NO3 (MG/L)           |    |             |        |                                   |    |             |        |                                   |    |             |        |                                   |
| 0.-1.5 M DEPTH           | 4  | 0.020-0.080 | 0.045  | 0.0- 1.5                          | 3  | 0.020-0.030 | 0.020  | 0.0- 1.5                          | 4  | 0.020-0.020 | 0.020  | 0.0- 1.5                          |
| MAX DEPTH**              | 2  | 0.020-0.020 | 0.020  | 7.3- 10.4                         | 2  | 0.020-0.110 | 0.065  | 6.7- 9.4                          | 2  | 0.020-0.020 | 0.020  | 6.7- 10.1                         |
| AMMONIA (MG/L)           |    |             |        |                                   |    |             |        |                                   |    |             |        |                                   |
| 0.-1.5 M DEPTH           | 4  | 0.040-0.170 | 0.045  | 0.0- 1.5                          | 3  | 0.030-0.040 | 0.040  | 0.0- 1.5                          | 4  | 0.020-0.020 | 0.020  | 0.0- 1.5                          |
| MAX DEPTH**              | 2  | 0.030-0.040 | 0.035  | 7.3- 10.4                         | 2  | 0.030-0.160 | 0.095  | 6.7- 9.4                          | 2  | 0.020-0.400 | 0.210  | 6.7- 10.1                         |
| KJELDAHL N (MG/L)        |    |             |        |                                   |    |             |        |                                   |    |             |        |                                   |
| 0.-1.5 M DEPTH           | 4  | 0.300-0.600 | 0.400  | 0.0- 1.5                          | 3  | 0.300-0.400 | 0.300  | 0.0- 1.5                          | 4  | 0.300-0.400 | 0.350  | 0.0- 1.5                          |
| MAX DEPTH**              | 2  | 0.400-0.400 | 0.400  | 7.3- 10.4                         | 2  | 0.300-0.300 | 0.300  | 6.7- 9.4                          | 2  | 0.400-0.800 | 0.600  | 6.7- 10.1                         |
| SECCHI DISC (METERS)     |    |             |        |                                   |    |             |        |                                   |    |             |        |                                   |
|                          | 2  | 2.9- 3.2    | 3.0    |                                   | 1  | 4.3- 4.3    | 4.3    |                                   | 2  | 3.0- 4.6    | 3.8    |                                   |

\* N = NO. OF SAMPLES

\*\* MAXIMUM DEPTH SAMPLED AT EACH SITE

\*\*\* S = NO. OF SITES SAMPLED ON THIS DATE

## B. Biological Characteristics:

## 1. Phytoplankton -

| <u>Sampling<br/>Date</u> | <u>Dominant<br/>Genera</u> | <u>Algal<br/>Units<br/>per ml</u> |
|--------------------------|----------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| 06/03/75                 | 1. <u>Cryptomonas</u>      | 459                               |
|                          | 2. <u>Ankistrodesmus</u>   | 153                               |
|                          | 3. Unidentified cell       | 92                                |
|                          | 4. <u>Nitzschia</u>        | 61                                |
|                          | Other genera               | <u>---</u>                        |
|                          | Total                      | 765                               |
| 07/23/75                 | 1. <u>Chroomonas</u>       | 260                               |
|                          | 2. <u>Tabellaria</u>       | 186                               |
|                          | 3. <u>Asterionella</u>     | 74                                |
|                          | 4. <u>Cryptomonas</u>      | 74                                |
|                          | 5. <u>Dinobryon</u>        | 74                                |
|                          | Other genera               | <u>112</u>                        |
|                          | Total                      | 780                               |
| 09/10/75                 | 1. <u>Aphanizomenon</u>    | 2,225                             |
|                          | 2. <u>Melosira</u>         | 805                               |
|                          | 3. <u>Euglena</u>          | 284                               |
|                          | 4. <u>Chlamydomonas</u>    | 189                               |
|                          | 5. <u>Tabellaria</u>       | 189                               |
|                          | Other genera               | <u>568</u>                        |
|                          | Total                      | 4,260                             |
| 10/23/75                 | 1. <u>Cryptomonas</u>      | 217                               |
|                          | 2. <u>Chroomonas</u>       | 186                               |
|                          | 3. <u>Melosira</u>         | 186                               |
|                          | 4. <u>Schroederia</u>      | 186                               |
|                          | 5. <u>Mallomonas</u>       | 62                                |
|                          | Other genera               | <u>29</u>                         |
|                          | Total                      | 866                               |

2. Chlorophyll a -

| <u>Sampling<br/>Date</u> | <u>Station<br/>Number</u> | <u>Chlorophyll <u>a</u><br/>(<math>\mu</math>g/l)</u> |
|--------------------------|---------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------|
| 06/03/75                 | 01                        | 1.8                                                   |
|                          | 02                        | 1.9                                                   |
| 07/23/75                 | 01                        | 18.0                                                  |
|                          | 02                        | 11.1                                                  |
| 09/10/75                 | 01                        | 35.6                                                  |
|                          | 02                        | 11.8                                                  |
| 10/23/75                 | 01                        | 6.1                                                   |
|                          | 02                        | 2.6                                                   |

## C. Limiting Nutrient Study:

## 1. Autoclaved, filtered, and nutrient spiked -

## a. 06/03/75

| <u>Spike (mg/l)</u> | <u>Ortho P<br/>Conc. (mg/l)</u> | <u>Inorganic N<br/>Conc. (mg/l)</u> | <u>Maximum Yield<br/>(mg/l-dry wt.)</u> |
|---------------------|---------------------------------|-------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------|
| Control             | 0.010                           | 0.040                               | 0.6                                     |
| 0.05 P              | 0.060                           | 0.040                               | 2.0                                     |
| 0.05 P + 1.0 N      | 0.060                           | 1.040                               | 19.2                                    |
| 1.00 N              | 0.010                           | 1.040                               | 0.6                                     |

## b. 09/10/75

| <u>Spike (mg/l)</u> | <u>Ortho P<br/>Conc. (mg/l)</u> | <u>Inorganic N<br/>Conc. (mg/l)</u> | <u>Maximum Yield<br/>(mg/l-dry wt.)</u> |
|---------------------|---------------------------------|-------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------|
| Control             | 0.045                           | 0.190                               | 11.6                                    |
| 0.05 P              | 0.095                           | 0.190                               | 12.9                                    |
| 0.05 P + 1.0 N      | 0.095                           | 1.190                               | 37.4                                    |
| 1.00 N              | 0.045                           | 1.190                               | 15.6                                    |

## c. 10/23/75

| <u>Spike (mg/l)</u> | <u>Ortho P<br/>Conc. (mg/l)</u> | <u>Inorganic N<br/>Conc. (mg/l)</u> | <u>Maximum Yield<br/>(mg/l-dry wt.)</u> |
|---------------------|---------------------------------|-------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------|
| Control             | 0.095                           | 0.220                               | 10.3                                    |
| 0.05 P              | 0.145                           | 0.220                               | 10.6                                    |
| 0.05 P + 1.0 N      | 0.145                           | 1.220                               | 35.8                                    |
| 1.00 N              | 0.095                           | 1.220                               | 32.8                                    |

## 2. Discussion -

The control yields of the assay alga, Selenastrum capricornutum, indicate that the potential primary productivity in Hauser Lake was moderate during June sampling, but extremely high during September and October. In the June assay, a significant increase in yield occurred when phosphorus was added alone and in combination with nitrogen indicating phosphorus limitation. The addition of only nitrogen resulted in a yield which was not significantly greater than that of the control.

In the September and October assays, the addition of nitrogen alone produced significant increases in yield over those of the controls, indicating nitrogen limitation in the lake at those times.

The mean inorganic nitrogen to orthophosphorus ratios (N/P) in the lake data were less than 6/1 on all sampling occasions, suggesting nitrogen limitation (a mean N/P ratio of 14/1 or greater generally reflects phosphorus limitation).

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VI. APPENDICES

APPENDIX A  
CONVERSION FACTORS

## CONVERSION FACTORS

Hectares x 2.471 = acres

Kilometers x 0.6214 = miles

Meters x 3.281 = feet

Cubic meters x  $8.107 \times 10^{-4}$  = acre/feet

Square kilometers x 0.3861 = square miles

Cubic meters/sec x 35.315 = cubic feet/sec

Centimeters x 0.3937 = inches

Kilograms x 2.205 = pounds

Kilograms/square kilometer x 5.711 = lbs/square mile

**APPENDIX B**  
**PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL DATA**

STORET RETRIEVAL DATE 76/08/25  
 NATL EUTROPHICATION SURVEY  
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| DATE<br>FROM<br>TO | TIME<br>OF<br>DAY | DEPTH<br>FEET | 00010<br>WATER<br>TEMP<br>CENT | 00300<br>DO<br>MG/L | 00077<br>TRANSP<br>SECCHI<br>INCHES | 00094<br>CNDUCTVY<br>FIELD<br>MICROMHO | 00400<br>PH<br>SU | 00410<br>T ALK<br>CAC03<br>MG/L | 00610<br>NH3-N<br>TOTAL<br>MG/L | 00625<br>TOT KJEL<br>N<br>MG/L | 00630<br>NO2&NO3<br>N-TOTAL<br>MG/L | 00671<br>PHOS-DIS<br>ORTHO<br>MG/L P |
|--------------------|-------------------|---------------|--------------------------------|---------------------|-------------------------------------|----------------------------------------|-------------------|---------------------------------|---------------------------------|--------------------------------|-------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|
| 75/06/03           | 10 35             | 0000          | 16.2                           | 8.8                 | 114                                 | 40                                     | 8.00              | 24                              | 0.170                           | 0.300                          | 0.070                               | 0.012                                |
|                    | 10 35             | 0005          | 15.8                           | 9.2                 |                                     | 38                                     | 7.80              | 23                              | 0.040                           | 0.300                          | 0.080                               | 0.011                                |
|                    | 10 35             | 0015          | 10.9                           | 5.4                 |                                     | 36                                     | 7.30              | 27                              | 0.040                           | 0.500                          | 0.080                               | 0.021                                |
|                    | 10 35             | 0034          | 6.2                            | 6.8                 |                                     | 34                                     | 7.50              | 26                              | 0.040                           | 0.400                          | 0.020                               | 0.018                                |
| 75/07/23           | 15 55             | 0000          | 27.5                           | 8.4                 |                                     | 48                                     | 8.60              | 24                              | 0.040                           | 0.300                          | 0.020K                              | 0.012J                               |
|                    | 15 55             | 0010          | 25.8                           | 8.6                 |                                     | 44                                     | 8.50              | 23                              | 0.030                           | 0.300                          | 0.020K                              | 0.011J                               |
|                    | 15 55             | 0016          | 16.3                           | 2.0                 |                                     | 45                                     | 7.40              | 26                              | 0.090                           | 0.400                          | 0.060                               | 0.034                                |
|                    | 15 55             | 0025          | 11.8                           | 1.6                 |                                     | 39                                     | 6.70              | 27                              | 0.160                           | 0.400                          | 0.100                               | 0.031                                |
|                    | 15 55             | 0031          | 10.9                           | 8.8                 |                                     | 38                                     | 7.20              | 22                              | 0.160                           | 0.300                          | 0.110                               | 0.037K                               |
| 75/09/10           | 09 15             | 0000          | 15.4                           | 8.6                 | 120                                 | 34                                     | 8.50              | 24                              | 0.020K                          | 0.300                          | 0.020K                              | 0.003                                |
|                    | 09 15             | 0005          | 15.4                           | 9.0                 |                                     |                                        | 8.15              | 21                              | 0.020K                          | 0.300                          | 0.020K                              | 0.008                                |
|                    | 09 15             | 0020          | 12.4                           | 4.6                 |                                     | 31                                     | 7.35              | 28                              | 0.320                           | 0.900                          | 0.020K                              | 0.190                                |
|                    | 09 15             | 0033          | 4.4                            | 0.2                 |                                     | 42                                     | 7.10              | 31                              | 0.400                           | 0.800                          | 0.020K                              | 0.255                                |
| 75/10/23           | 14 30             | 0000          | 11.9                           | 7.8                 | 108                                 | 45                                     | 7.80              | 21                              | 0.070                           | 0.400                          | 0.020                               | 0.010                                |
|                    | 14 30             | 0005          | 11.9                           | 7.6                 |                                     | 46                                     | 7.50              | 26                              | 0.080                           | 0.400                          | 0.020                               | 0.014                                |
|                    | 14 30             | 0016          | 11.8                           | 10.0                |                                     | 42                                     | 7.35              | 20                              | 0.090                           | 0.400                          | 0.020                               | 0.020                                |
|                    | 14 30             | 0035          | 9.0                            | 0.6                 |                                     | 64                                     | 6.95              | 28                              | 0.890                           | 1.200                          | 0.020K                              | 0.454                                |

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|--------------------|-------------------|---------------|-----------------------------|--------------------------------|-----------------------------------------|
| 75/06/03           | 10 35             | 0000          | 0.024                       | 1.8                            |                                         |
|                    | 10 35             | 0005          | 0.030                       |                                |                                         |
|                    | 10 35             | 0015          | 0.043                       |                                |                                         |
|                    | 10 35             | 0034          | 0.028                       |                                |                                         |
| 75/07/23           | 15 55             | 0000          | 0.012                       | 18.0                           |                                         |
|                    | 15 55             | 0010          | 0.014                       |                                |                                         |
|                    | 15 55             | 0016          | 0.021                       |                                |                                         |
|                    | 15 55             | 0025          | 0.054                       |                                |                                         |
|                    | 15 55             | 0031          | 0.015                       |                                |                                         |
| 75/09/10           | 09 15             | 0000          | 0.017                       | 35.6                           |                                         |
|                    | 09 15             | 0005          | 0.021                       |                                |                                         |
|                    | 09 15             | 0020          | 0.385                       |                                |                                         |
|                    | 09 15             | 0033          | 0.350                       |                                |                                         |
| 75/10/23           | 14 30             | 0000          | 0.031                       | 6.1                            |                                         |
|                    | 14 30             | 0005          | 0.036                       |                                |                                         |
|                    | 14 30             | 0016          | 0.043                       |                                |                                         |
|                    | 14 30             | 0035          | 0.632                       |                                |                                         |

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| 75/06/03           | 11 00             | 0000          | 16.4                           | 8.8                 | 126                                 | 40                                     | 8.30              | 24                              | 0.040                           | 0.600                          | 0.020K                              | 0.024                                |
|                    | 11 00             | 0005          | 16.1                           | 8.8                 |                                     | 40                                     | 8.00              | 24                              | 0.050                           | 0.500                          | 0.020K                              | 0.017                                |
|                    | 11 00             | 0015          | 11.3                           | 8.4                 |                                     | 36                                     | 7.80              | 25                              | 0.030                           | 0.500                          | 0.020K                              | 0.008                                |
|                    | 11 00             | 0024          | 8.6                            | 6.6                 |                                     | 35                                     | 7.10              | 15                              | 0.030                           | 0.400                          | 0.020K                              | 0.013                                |
| 75/07/23           | 16 15             | 0000          | 27.5                           | 9.2                 | 168                                 | 51                                     | 8.20              | 20                              | 0.040                           | 0.400                          | 0.030                               | 0.013K                               |
|                    | 16 15             | 0005          | 27.4                           | 9.0                 |                                     | 52                                     | 8.35              | 19                              | 0.030                           | 0.300                          | 0.020K                              | 0.012J                               |
|                    | 16 15             | 0016          | 18.3                           | 6.8                 |                                     | 43                                     | 7.55              | 19                              | 0.030                           | 0.400                          | 0.020K                              | 0.013J                               |
|                    | 16 15             | 0022          | 13.8                           | 9.2                 |                                     | 42                                     | 7.65              | 23                              | 0.030                           | 0.300                          | 0.020                               | 0.015K                               |
| 75/09/10           | 09 40             | 0000          | 14.9                           | 9.6                 | 180                                 | 33                                     | 7.50              | 22                              | 0.020K                          | 0.400                          | 0.020K                              | 0.011                                |
|                    | 09 40             | 0005          | 14.9                           | 9.4                 |                                     | 33                                     | 7.50              | 23                              | 0.020K                          | 0.400                          | 0.020K                              | 0.006                                |
|                    | 09 40             | 0022          | 10.3                           | 1.8                 |                                     | 33                                     | 7.20              | 25                              | 0.020K                          | 0.400                          | 0.020K                              | 0.014                                |
| 75/10/23           | 15 00             | 0000          | 11.9                           | 7.2                 | 120                                 | 44                                     | 7.10              | 32                              | 0.090                           | 0.400                          | 0.020                               | 0.016                                |
|                    | 15 00             | 0005          | 11.7                           | 7.4                 |                                     | 43                                     | 7.10              | 20                              | 0.080                           | 0.400                          | 0.020                               | 0.013                                |
|                    | 15 00             | 0015          | 11.7                           | 7.6                 |                                     | 42                                     | 7.10              | 21                              | 0.060                           | 0.400                          | 0.020                               | 0.010                                |
|                    | 15 00             | 0024          | 11.3                           | 7.8                 |                                     | 53                                     | 7.10              | 18                              | 0.070                           | 0.400                          | 0.030                               | 0.007                                |

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| 75/06/03           | 11 00             | 0000          | 0.040                       |                                | 1.9                                     |
|                    | 11 00             | 0005          | 0.025                       |                                |                                         |
|                    | 11 00             | 0015          | 0.026                       |                                |                                         |
|                    | 11 00             | 0024          | 0.032                       |                                |                                         |
| 75/07/23           | 16 15             | 0000          | 0.012                       |                                | 11.1                                    |
|                    | 16 15             | 0005          | 0.012                       |                                |                                         |
|                    | 16 15             | 0016          | 0.030                       |                                |                                         |
|                    | 16 15             | 0022          | 0.011                       |                                |                                         |
| 75/09/10           | 09 40             | 0000          | 0.035                       |                                | 11.8                                    |
|                    | 09 40             | 0005          | 0.017                       |                                |                                         |
|                    | 09 40             | 0022          | 0.048                       |                                |                                         |
| 75/10/23           | 15 00             | 0000          | 0.043                       |                                | 2.6                                     |
|                    | 15 00             | 0005          | 0.029                       |                                |                                         |
|                    | 15 00             | 0015          | 0.025                       |                                |                                         |
|                    | 15 00             | 0024          | 0.026                       |                                |                                         |

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APPENDIX C

PARAMETRIC RANKINGS OF LAKES  
SAMPLED BY NES IN 1975

STATE OF IDAHO

Mean or median values for six of the key parameters evaluated in establishing the trophic conditions of Idaho lakes sampled are presented to allow direct comparison of the ranking, by parameter, of each lake relative to the others. Median total phosphorus, median inorganic nitrogen and median dissolved orthophosphorus levels are expressed in mg/l. Chlorophyll a values are expressed in  $\mu\text{g/l}$ . To maintain consistent rank order with the preceding parameters, the mean Secchi disc depth, in inches, is subtracted from 500. Similarly, minimum dissolved oxygen values are subtracted from 15 to create table entries.

LAKE DATA TO BE USED IN RANKINGS

| LAKE<br>CODE | LAKE NAME                | MEDIAN<br>TOTAL P | MEDIAN<br>INORG N | 500-<br>MEAN SEC | MEAN<br>CHLORA | 15-<br>MIN DO | MEDIAN<br>DISS ORTHO P |
|--------------|--------------------------|-------------------|-------------------|------------------|----------------|---------------|------------------------|
| 1601         | AMERICAN FALLS RESERVOIR | 0.105             | 0.080             | 463.800          | 15.379         | 14.700        | 0.035                  |
| 1602         | CASCADE LAKE             | 0.032             | 0.060             | 415.067          | 8.081          | 14.800        | 0.009                  |
| 1603         | LAKE COEUR D'ALENE       | 0.017             | 0.040             | 380.348          | 10.391         | 12.200        | 0.005                  |
| 1604         | DWORSHAK RESERVOIR       | 0.010             | 0.080             | 401.866          | 2.420          | 7.400         | 0.009                  |
| 1605         | HAUSER                   | 0.028             | 0.075             | 366.286          | 11.112         | 14.800        | 0.013                  |
| 1606         | HAYDEN LAKE              | 0.010             | 0.040             | 243.500          | 2.787          | 11.800        | 0.003                  |
| 1607         | ISLAND PARK RESERVOIR    | 0.034             | 0.050             | 391.778          | 9.322          | 12.800        | 0.012                  |
| 1608         | LAKE LOWELL              | 0.070             | 0.070             | 477.111          | 25.389         | 14.600        | 0.015                  |
| 1609         | MAGIC RESERVOIR          | 0.062             | 0.130             | 400.750          | 7.322          | 14.700        | 0.020                  |
| 1610         | PALISADES RESERVOIR      | 0.024             | 0.080             | 345.428          | 2.067          | 12.800        | 0.007                  |
| 1611         | LOWER PAYETTE            | 0.013             | 0.060             | 234.000          | 4.600          | 9.600         | 0.007                  |
| 1612         | LOWER TWIN LAKES         | 0.016             | 0.050             | 370.000          | 2.318          | 13.600        | 0.009                  |
| 1613         | UPPER TWIN LAKES         | 0.017             | 0.045             | 369.143          | 4.986          | 8.200         | 0.004                  |

PERCENT OF LAKES WITH HIGHER VALUES (NUMBER OF LAKES WITH HIGHER VALUES)

| LAKE<br>CODE | LAKE NAME                | MEDIAN<br>TOTAL P | MEDIAN<br>INORG N | 500=<br>MEAN SEC | MEAN<br>CHLORA | 15=<br>MIN DO | MEDIAN<br>DISS ORTHO P |
|--------------|--------------------------|-------------------|-------------------|------------------|----------------|---------------|------------------------|
| 1601         | AMERICAN FALLS RESERVOIR | 0 ( 0)            | 17 ( 1)           | 8 ( 1)           | 8 ( 1)         | 21 ( 2)       | 0 ( 0)                 |
| 1602         | CASCADE LAKE             | 33 ( 4)           | 54 ( 6)           | 17 ( 2)          | 42 ( 5)        | 4 ( 0)        | 50 ( 5)                |
| 1603         | LAKE COEUR D'ALENE       | 67 ( 8)           | 96 ( 11)          | 50 ( 6)          | 25 ( 3)        | 67 ( 8)       | 83 ( 10)               |
| 1604         | DWORSHAK RESERVOIR       | 96 ( 11)          | 17 ( 1)           | 25 ( 3)          | 83 ( 10)       | 100 ( 12)     | 50 ( 5)                |
| 1605         | HAUSER                   | 42 ( 5)           | 33 ( 4)           | 75 ( 9)          | 17 ( 2)        | 4 ( 0)        | 25 ( 3)                |
| 1606         | HAYDEN LAKE              | 96 ( 11)          | 96 ( 11)          | 92 ( 11)         | 75 ( 9)        | 75 ( 9)       | 100 ( 12)              |
| 1607         | ISLAND PARK RESERVOIR    | 25 ( 3)           | 71 ( 8)           | 42 ( 5)          | 33 ( 4)        | 54 ( 6)       | 33 ( 4)                |
| 1608         | LAKE LOWELL              | 8 ( 1)            | 42 ( 5)           | 0 ( 0)           | 0 ( 0)         | 33 ( 4)       | 17 ( 2)                |
| 1609         | MAGIC RESERVOIR          | 17 ( 2)           | 0 ( 0)            | 33 ( 4)          | 50 ( 6)        | 21 ( 2)       | 8 ( 1)                 |
| 1610         | PALISADES RESERVOIR      | 50 ( 6)           | 17 ( 1)           | 83 ( 10)         | 100 ( 12)      | 54 ( 6)       | 75 ( 9)                |
| 1611         | LOWER PAYETTE            | 83 ( 10)          | 54 ( 6)           | 100 ( 12)        | 67 ( 8)        | 83 ( 10)      | 67 ( 8)                |
| 1612         | LOWER TWIN LAKES         | 75 ( 9)           | 71 ( 8)           | 58 ( 7)          | 92 ( 11)       | 42 ( 5)       | 50 ( 5)                |
| 1613         | UPPER TWIN LAKES         | 58 ( 7)           | 83 ( 10)          | 67 ( 8)          | 58 ( 7)        | 92 ( 11)      | 92 ( 11)               |