

#### **SUMMARY OF RESULTS**

#### FIBI043 - Third River



1. Stream Name: Third River
2. Sampling Date: 06-18-2002

3. Sampling Location: West Passaic Ave (40 50 00.36; -74 10 46.52)

4. Municipality: Bloomfield Twp.

5. County: Essex

6. Watershed Management Area: 4

7. Contributing Drainage Area:
8. Electrofishing Gear:
9. FIBI Score and Rating:
10. Habitat Score and Rating:
101 - Marginal

11. Fishable Species Present: Yes

12. Relevant AMNET<sup>1</sup> Station Data

Proximity of FIBI station to AMNET station: AN0292a

AMNET Rating: Round 1 – NA; Round 2 – MODERATE

13. Stream Chemistries

Dissolved Oxygen: 9.2 mg/L Temperature: 17.1  $^{\circ}$ C pH: 6.7

Conductivity: 740 µmhos/cm

14. Number of Fish with Anomalies:

15. Length of Stream Segment Sampled:150 Meters16. Water Clarity:Clear17. Average Open Forest Canopy:22%18. Discharge:13.96 ft.3/sec

19. Substrate: 40% Gravel and Sand, 40% Cobble, 0% Boulder, 0% Clay, 20% Silt

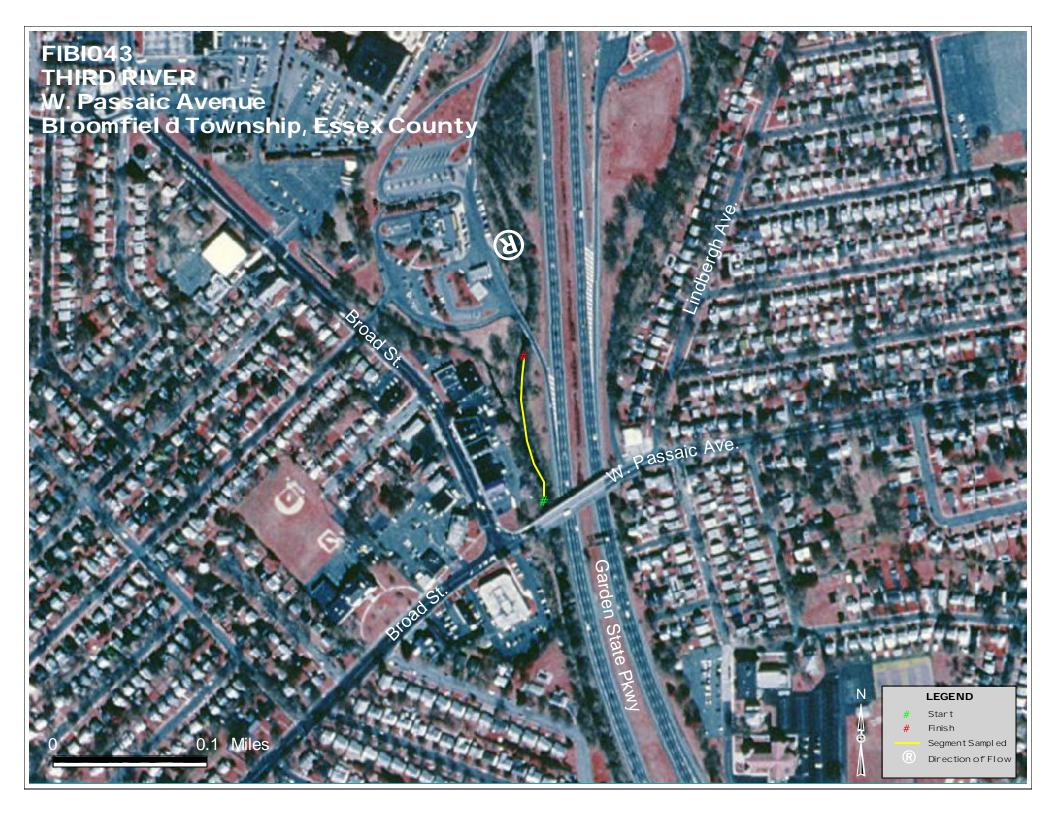
20. Habitat: 10% Riffle, 15% Run, 75% Pool

21. Snags: Yes
22. Periphyton: Slight
23. Submerged Aquatic Vegetation: No

24. Other Observations: Missed disproportional amount of tesselated darters; lots of debris and trash

25. Number of Fish Species Identified:726. Total Number of Fish Collected:490

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> AMNET is the acronym for the DEP's ambient benthic macroinvertebrate monitoring network – a series of 820 monitoring stations located throughout the state's waterways that collects data on the health of bottom dwelling stream fauna which in turn is used to assess general water quality.



FIBI043 - Third River @ W. Passaic Avenue Date Sampled - 6/18/2002	Excellent	Good	Fair	Poor
			Score	
# of Fish Species			5	
# of Benthic Insectivorous Species (BI)			5	
# of Trout and Centrarchid Species (trout, bas	s, sunfish, crappie)		5	
# of Intolerant Species (IS)			1	
Proportion of Individuals as White Suckers			3	
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Proportion of Individuals as Generalists (carp, c	reek chub, banded killifish,		5	
goldfish, fathead minnow, green sunfish)	rinide (Land DI)			
Proportion of Individuals as Insectivorous Cyp	rinius (i and bi)		1	
Proportion of Individuals as Trout	*whichever gives better	rscore		
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Proportion of Individuals as Pisciviores (Exclude	ding American Eel)*		1	
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Number of Individuals in Sample			5	
Proportion of Individuals w/disease/anomalies	(excluding blackspot)		5	
Total			36	

### Stream Rating

45-50 Excellent
 37-44 Good
 29-36 Fair
 10-28 Poor

### HABITAT ASSESSMENT FOR HIGH GRADIENT STREAMS

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Fightmand Substrate   Available Cover   Availa		Ontimal			Poor
	1. Epifaunal Substrate /Available Cover	Greater than 70% of substrate favorable for epifaunal colonization and fish cover; mix of snags, submerged logs, undercut banks, cobble or other stable habitat and at stage to allow full colonization potential (i.e., logs/snags that are not new	40-70% mix of stable habitat; well-suited for full colonization potential; adequate habitat for maintenance of populations; presence of additional substrate in the form of newfall, but not yet prepared for colonization (may	20-40% mix of stable habitat; habitat availability less than desirable; substrate frequently	Less than 20% stable habitat; lack of habitat is obvious; substrate
Combined before   Combined   Co	SCORE 8		15 14 13 12 11	10 9 8 7 6	5 4 3 2 1 0
3. Velocity/Depth Regimes Forest (clock) webs, allow-shallow from the webs, shallows from the webs, sh	2. Embeddedness	particles are 0-25% surrounded by fine sediment. Layering of cobble provides diversity of niche	particles are 25-50% surrounded	particles are 50-75% surrounded	particles are more than 75%
Secure   Color   Secure   Color   Secure   Color   C	SCORE 9	20 19 18 17 16	15 14 13 12 11	10 9 8 7 6	5 4 3 2 1 0
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skinder to position  sized or point hars and less than 5% (C2DN for low-gradient) 5% (C2DN for low-gra	SCORE 8	20 19 18 17 16	15 14 13 12 11	10 9 8 7 6	5 4 3 2 1 0
Water reaches base of both lower banks, and minimal amount of channel substrate is exposed.	4. Sediment Deposition	islands or point bars and less than 5% (<20% for low-gradient streams) of the bottom affected	formation, mostly from gravel, sand or fine sediment; 5-30% (20-50% for low-gradient) of the bottom affected; slight	gravel, sand or fine sediment on old and new bars; 30-50% (50- 80% for low-gradient) of the bottom affected; sediment deposits at obstructions, constrictions, and bends; moderate deposition of pools	increased bar development; more than 50% (80% for low-gradient) of the bottom changing frequently; pools almost absent due to substantial sediment
Score 1   Danks, and minimal amount of channel; or <25% of channel substrate is exposed.	SCORE 13	20 19 18 17 16	15 14 <b>13</b> 12 11	10 9 8 7 6	5 4 3 2 1 0
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absent or minimal; stream with normal pattern.    absent or minimal; stream with normal pattern.	SCORE 14	20 19 18 17 16	15 <b>14</b> 13 12 11	10 9 8 7 6	5 4 3 2 1 0
Courrence of riffles relatively frequent; ratio of distance between riffles divided by width of the stream is between riffles divided by the width of the stream is the well in the riffles proportion of the widt	6. Channel Alteration	absent or minimal; stream with	usually in areas of bridge abutments; evidence of past channelization, i.e., dredging, (greater than past 20 yr) may be present, but recent channelization	embankments or shoring structures present on both banks; and 40 to 80% of stream reach	cement; over 80% of the stream reach channelized and disrupted. In stream habitat greatly altered
7. Frequency of Riffles (or bends)  The protection (score each bank)  SCORE 6 (LB)  SCORE 5 (LB)  SC	SCORE 12	20 19 18 17 16		10 9 8 7 6	5 4 3 2 1 0
SCORE   Section   Sectio	7. Frequency of Riffles (or	Occurrence of riffles relatively frequent; ratio of distance between riffles divided by width of the stream <7:1 (generally 5 to 7); variety of habitat is key. In streams where riffles are continuous, placement of boulders or other large, natural	Occurrence of riffles infrequent; distance between riffles divided by the width of the stream is	Occasional riffle or bend; bottom contours provide some habitat; distance between riffles divided by the width of the stream is	Generally all flat water or shallow riffles; poor habitat; distance between riffles divided by the width of the stream is a ratio of
8. Bank Stability (score each bank) Note: determine left or right side by facing downstream.  SCORE 6 (RB)  Defi 10 9 8 7 6 5 4 3 2 1 0  More than 90% of the streambank surfaces and immediate riparian zone covered by native vegetation, including trees, under story shrubs, or nonwoody macrophytes; vegetative disruption through grazing or mowing minimal or not evident; almost all plants allowed to grow naturally.  SCORE 5 (RB)  Defi 10 9 8 7 6 5 4 3 2 1 0  More than 90% of the streambank surfaces covered by native vegetation, including trees, under story shrubs, or nonwoody macrophytes; vegetative disruption through grazing or mowing minimal or not evident; almost all plants allowed to grow naturally.  SCORE 5 (RB)  Defi 10 9 8 7 6 5 4 3 2 1 0  Width of riparian zone >18  Reters; human activities have gach bank riparian zone)  Width of riparian zone >18  meters; human activities have impacted zone.  Width of riparian zone covered by natorities in the potential plant stubble height remaining.  SCORE 2 (LB)  Left 10 9 8 7 6 5 4 3 2 1 0  Width of riparian zone >18  meters; human activities have impacted zone only minimally.  SCORE 2 (LB)  Left 10 9 8 7 6 5 4 3 2 1 0  Width of riparian zone <12 meters; human activities have impacted zone only minimally.  Width of riparian zone <10 meters; human activities have impacted zone a great deal.  Width of riparian zone <5 meters; human activities have impacted zone a great deal.  Width of riparian zone <5 meters; human activities have impacted zone a great deal.  Width of riparian zone <5 meters; human activities have impacted zone a great deal.	SCORE 8		15 14 13 12 11	10 9 <b>8</b> 7 6	5 4 3 2 1 0
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More than 90% of the streambank surfaces and immediate riparian zone covered by native vegetation, including trees, under story shrubs, or nonwoody macrophytes; vegetative disruption through grazing or mowing minimal or not evident; almost all plants allowed to grow naturally.  SCORE _5_ (LB)  SCORE _5_ (RB)  Nore than 90% of the streambank surfaces covered by native vegetation, but one class of plants is not well-represented; disruption obvious; patches of bare soil or closely cropped vegetation common; less than one-half of the potential plant stubble height remaining.  SCORE _5_ (LB)  SCORE _5_ (RB)  Width of riparian zone >18  More than 90% of the streambank surfaces covered by vegetation; disruption obvious; patches of bare soil or closely cropped vegetation common; less than one-half of the potential plant stubble height remaining.  Lest han 50% of the streambank surfaces covered by vegetation; disruption obvious; patches of bare soil or closely cropped vegetation is very high; vegetation is very high; vegetation common; less than one-half of the potential plant stubble height remaining.  SCORE _5_ (RB)  Width of riparian zone >18  Midth of riparian zone 12-18  meters; human activities have impacted zone a great deal.  Width of riparian zone 6-12  meters; human activities have impacted zone a great deal.  SCORE _2_ (LB)  Left 10 9 8 7 6 5 4 3 2 1 0  Width of riparian zone 6-12  meters; human activities have impacted zone a great deal.  Width of riparian zone cone impacted zone.  Left 10 9 8 7 6 5 4 3 2 1 0	SCORE6 (LB)				
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SCORE2_ (LB)	each bank riparian	meters; human activities (i.e., parking lots, roadbeds, clear-cuts, lawns, or crops) have not	meters; human activities have	meters; human activities have	Width of riparian zone <6 meters: little or no riparian vegetation due to human activities.
	SCORE2 (LB)	Left 10 9			

HABITAT SCORE

**101** 

HABITAT SCORES	VALUE
OPTIMAL	160 - 200
SUB-OPTIMAL	110 – 159
MARGINAL	60 - 109
POOR	< 60

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### LISTED IN ORDER OF ABUNDANCE FOUND

COMMON NAME	SCIENTIFIC NAME	# FOUND	SIZE RANGE (INCHES)
Tesselated Darter	Etheostoma olmstedi	216	
Mummichog	Fundulus heteroclitus	129	
White Sucker*	Catostomus commersoni	61	
Green Sunfish*	Lepomis cyanellus	49	2.0-3.9
Blacknose Dace	Rhinichthys atratulus	25	
Pumpkinseed*	Lepomis gibbosus	9	1.4-3.1
Largemouth Bass*	Micropterus salmoides	1	3.9

<sup>\*</sup> Regulated as a fishable species under current New Jersey Fish and Wildlife codes

## **Species Identified at Third River (FIBI043)**

(Not to Scale)



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**Tesselated Darter** 

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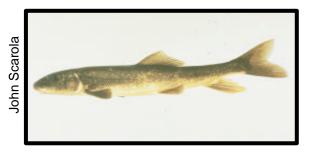
**Largemouth Bass** 

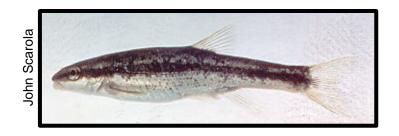




**Green Sunfish** 

Pumpkin Seed





**White Sucker** 

**Blacknose Dace** 

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(Not to Scale)



Mummichog