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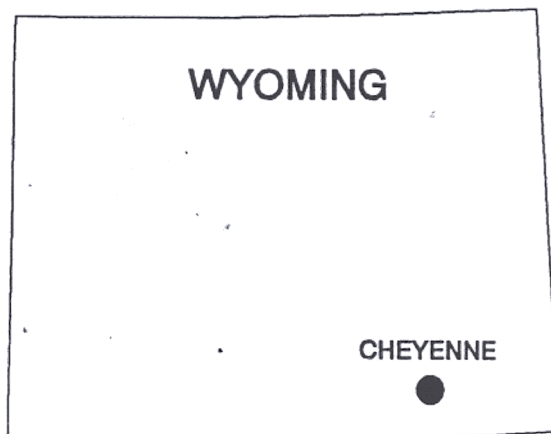
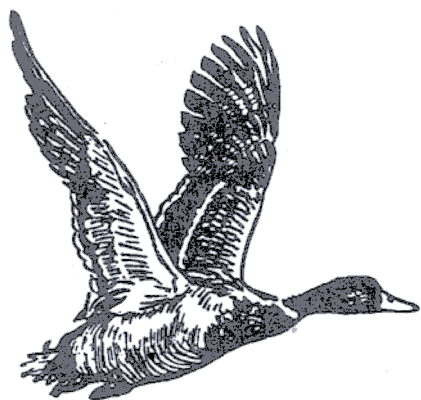


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ABSTRACT

Environmental contaminants surveys were conducted at National Elk, Seedskadee, and Hutton Lake National Wildlife Refuges (NWR) to provide information on existing conditions to identify potential habitat quality problems, and to determine if non-point sources of pollution may be affecting the refuges. Pondweed (Potamogeton spp.) samples from Hutton, Rush, and Creighton Lakes and Lake George at Hutton Lake NWR and Hay Farm Pond at Seedskadee NWR had boron concentrations greater than 300 ug/g dry weight, the level suspected of causing reduced growth in mallard ducklings (Eisler 1990). The source of the boron is unknown. One pondweed sample from Flat Creek at the National Elk Refuge had a selenium concentration of 3.2 ug/g dry weight, slightly above the 3 ug/g level of concern for bioaccumulation in fish and wildlife recommended by Lemly and Smith (1987). The source is unknown, but runoff from the adjacent highway may account for the selenium. Continued monitoring of boron and selenium concentrations in aquatic vegetation and aquatic invertebrates is recommended for Seedskadee, Hutton Lake and National Elk NWR's. Specific sites in need of monitoring include: Lake George and Creighton Lake at Hutton Lake, Flat Creek adjacent to U.S. Highway 89 at the National Elk Refuge, and Hay Farm Pond at Seedskadee NWR.

INTRODUCTION

Environmental contaminants are a major issue of concern on national wildlife refuges. The 90-million acre National Wildlife Refuge (NWR) System managed by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Service) has served as a barometer of environmental contaminant problems in fish and wildlife resources. The System is a network of over 650 refuges and waterfowl production areas. effects of selenium contamination and the problems associated with irrigation drainwater were first documented at Kesterson NWR in California. Nationwide, refuges are threatened by aerial drift of pesticides, pesticide-laden agricultural runoff, trace elements, oil and hazardous materials spills, and hazardous waste sites. National Wildlife Refuges in Wyoming are: National Elk, Seedskaadee, Hutton Lake, Bamforth, and Pathfinder. Environmental contaminants surveys were conducted at National Elk, Seedskaadee, and Hutton Lake NWR to provide information on existing conditions to identify potential habitat quality problems, and to determine if non-point sources of pollution may be affecting the refuges (Figure 1).

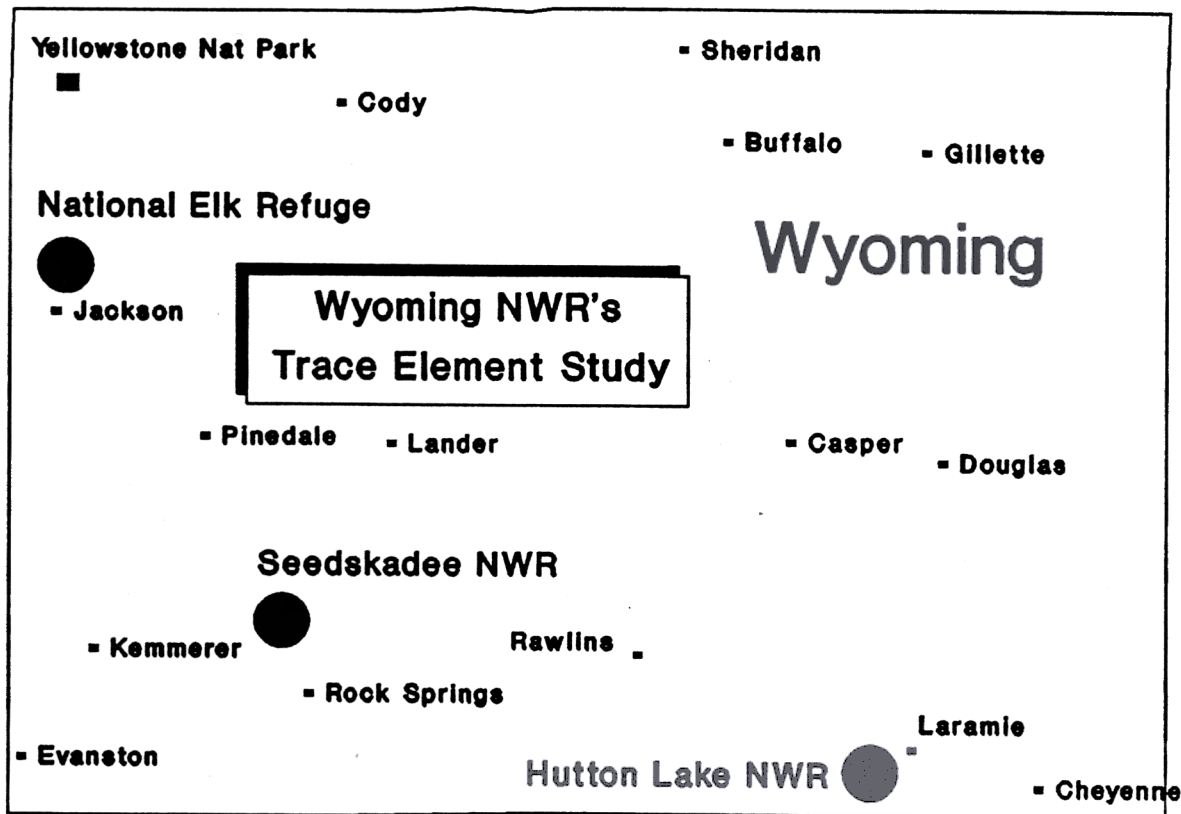


Figure 1. Location of the National Elk Refuge and the Seedskadee and Hutton Lake National Wildlife Refuges, Wyoming.

STUDY AREA DESCRIPTION

Hutton Lake NWR, in Albany County, was established in 1932 for the conservation of migratory birds. The refuge is underlain by the Frontier Formation, a sandy shale and sandstone formation (Love and Christiansen 1985). The 1,428 acre refuge contains Hutton, Hoge, Rush, Creighton and George Lakes. Livestock grazing is the major land use in areas surrounding the refuge.

The 24,663 acre National Elk Refuge, in Teton County immediately north of Jackson, has provided wintering habitat for elk (Cervus elaphus) since 1912. The refuge also contains wetlands along Flat Creek and the Gros Ventre River. Major land uses in areas surrounding the refuge include: residential/urban, outdoor recreation, and livestock grazing.

Seedskaadee NWR is located in Sweetwater County approximately 20 miles north of Green River. The refuge encompasses 14,842 acres of riparian and upland habitat along the Green River. The refuge was established in 1965 to mitigate for wildlife habitat losses resulting from the construction of Fontenelle and Flaming Gorge reservoirs and to provide habitat for migratory birds. The refuge is underlain by the Bridger Formation of sandstone, claystone and conglomerate (Love and Christiansen 1985). The major land uses in the surrounding areas include: oil and gas exploration and development, trona (soda ash) and coal mining, livestock grazing, and outdoor recreation.

METHODS

Water, sediment and biota were collected at the National Elk Refuge and Seedskadee National Wildlife Refuge (NWR) in 1988 and 1989 (Figures 2 & 3). Water, sediment and biota were collected at Hutton Lake NWR in 1990 (Figure 4). Water and sediment were also collected from the following sites adjacent to the National Elk Refuge to determine if non-point sources are contributing pollutants into the refuge: Cache Creek approximately one mile upstream from Jackson; a small canal adjacent to Broadway Street in Jackson; the outfall from the Jackson National Fish Hatchery; and a culvert conveying runoff from a car wash onto the highway right-of-way and possibly the refuge.

Water was collected in 1,000-ml chemically-clean polyethylene jars. The pH in the water samples was lowered to 2.0 using nitric acid. Sediment was collected using an Ekman dredge or a stainless steel spoon. The samples were placed in chemically-clean 500-ml glass jars and frozen. Pondweed (Potamogeton spp.) leaves and stems were collected by hand. Detritus and sediment were washed off, and the samples were placed in Whirl-Pak bags and frozen. Aquatic invertebrates were collected using a light trap, as described by Espinosa et al. (1972). The invertebrates were placed in chemically-clean 40-ml glass vials, and frozen. Aquatic invertebrates collected included: waterboatmen (Family Corixidae), damselfly larvae (Order Odonata), amphipods (Order Amphipoda) and copepods (Class Copepoda). Birds were collected with a shotgun using steel shot. The livers were removed and placed in chemically-clean glass jars and frozen. All samples were submitted to one of the following laboratories under contract with the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service Patuxent Analytical Control Facility (PACF): Hazelton

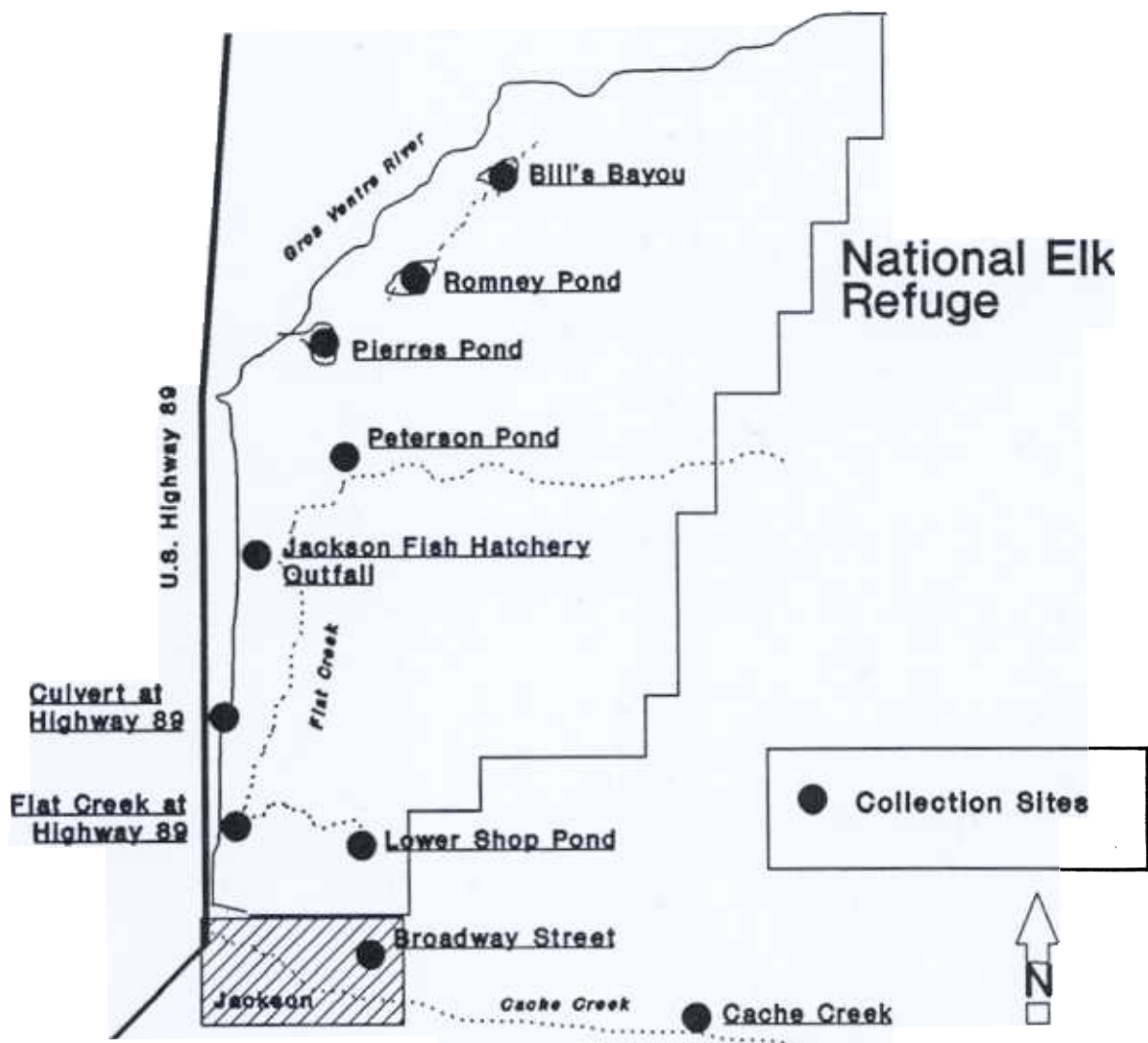


Figure 2. Collection sites for water, sediment and biota from the National Elk Refuge, Teton County, Wyoming.

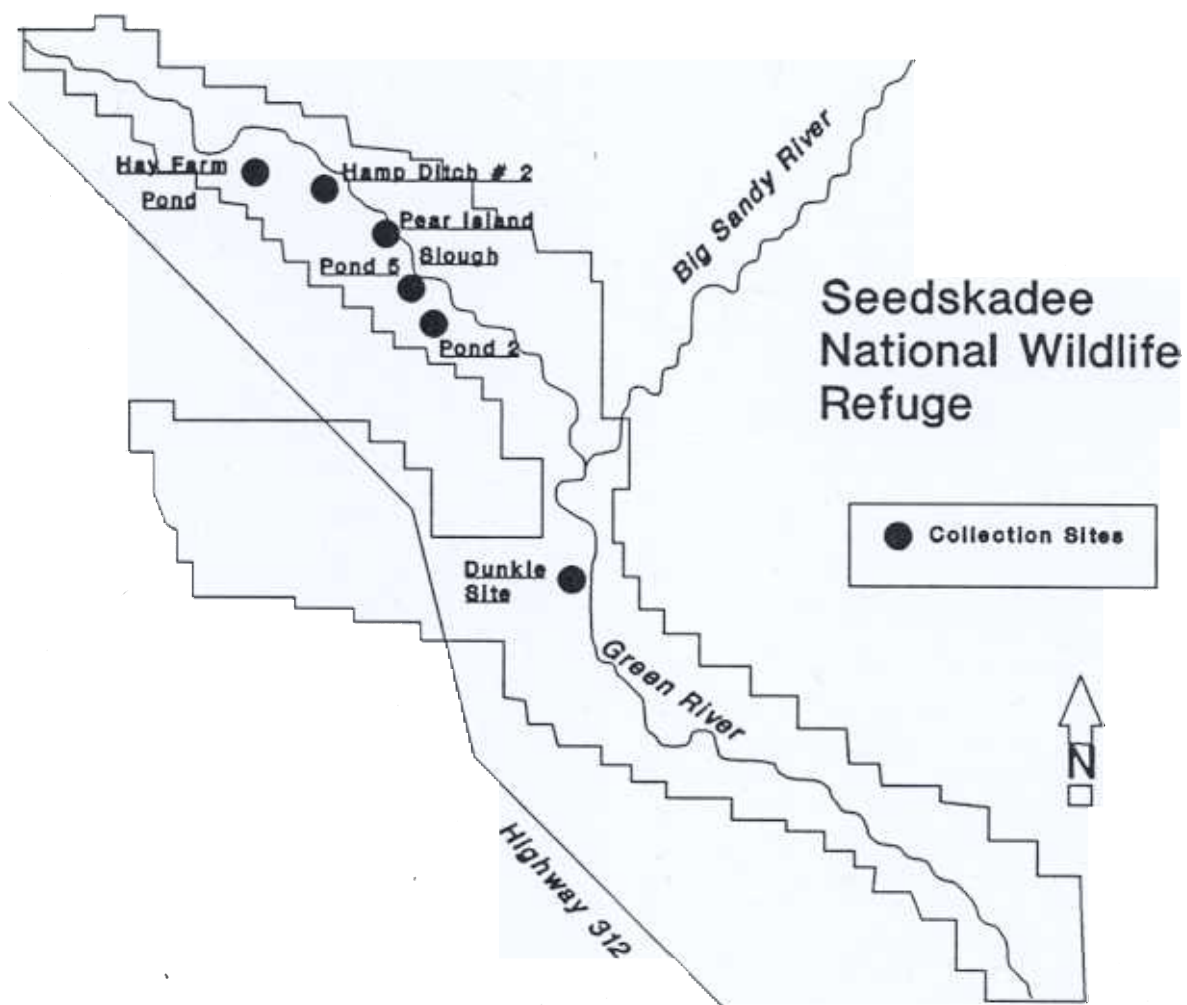


Figure 3. Collection sites for water, sediment and biota at Seedskadee National Wildlife Refuge, Sweetwater County, Wyoming.

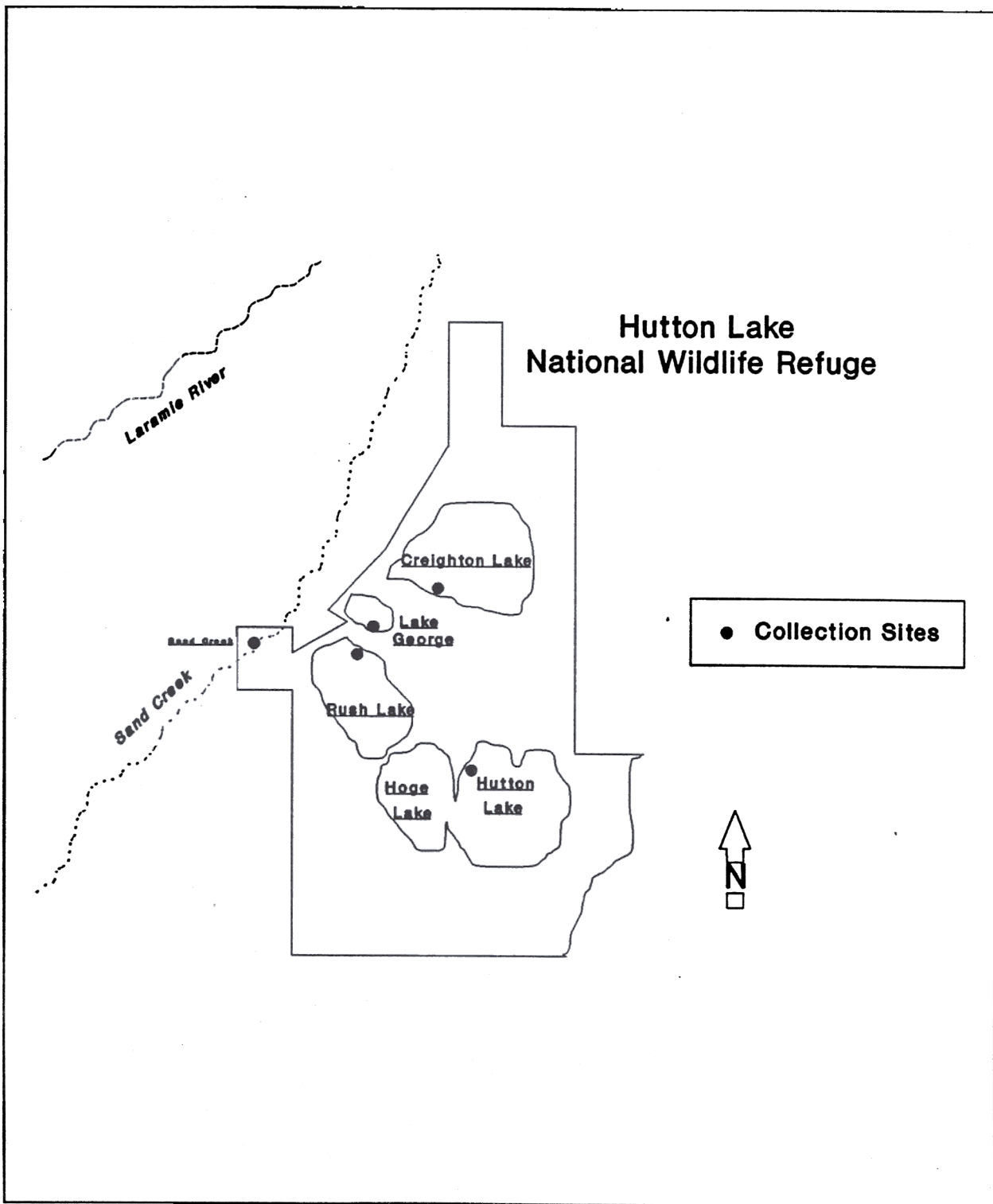


Figure 4. Collection sites for water, sediment and biota samples from Hutton Lake National Wildlife Refuge, Albany County, Wyoming.

Laboratories America, Inc., Wisconsin; Environmental Trace Substances Research Center, Missouri; and Research Triangle Institute, North Carolina; for trace element analyses. The laboratories analyzed for mercury using cold vapor atomic absorption spectroscopy, hydride generation atomic absorption (AA) spectroscopy for arsenic and selenium, and inductively coupled plasma atomic emission spectrophotometer (ICP) scans for all other trace elements. PACF assured laboratory quality control. Laboratories confirm the precision and accuracy of the analyses for the Service with procedural blanks, duplicate analyses, **test** recoveries of spiked materials, and reference material analyses. All Service contaminants analyses received a PACF quality assurance review. The primary method used to assess accuracy was percent recovery of spiked analyte. PACF compared the recovery reported to all other samples submitted to a laboratory for analyses to the average recovery for that laboratory and analyte. If the reported recoveries were within the 95 % confidence interval for the mean recovery, PACF considered the accuracy of the analysis acceptable. Besides spike recoveries, the laboratories usually analyzed standard reference materials, **PACF** compared results from these determinations to both the laboratory average and the certified value. PACF considered accuracy for all sample analyses for this study acceptable. Laboratories reported percent moisture and dry weight concentrations.

Trace element concentrations in sediments were compared to background levels reported for soils from the western United States and the Northern Great Plains by Harms et al. (1990).

RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

Hutton Lake NWR

Analytical results from water, sediment and biota collected at Hutton Lake NWR are presented in Appendix A. Trace elements in water were not present in concentrations considered adverse to fish and wildlife. Trace elements in sediments collected at the refuge were present at background levels, with the exception of aluminum. Aluminum concentrations in sediment from Hutton Lake and Sand Creek were 22,400 and 28,100 ug/g dry weight, respectively. Background concentrations of aluminum reported for soils from the Northern Great Plains region range from 3,400 ug/g to 12,000 ug/g dry weight (Harms et al. 1991).

Pondweed samples from Hutton, Rush, and Creighton Lakes and Lake George had boron concentrations greater than 300 ug/g dry weight, the level suspected of causing reduced growth in mallard ducklings (Eisler 1990). The elevated boron concentrations in pondweed may be attributable to natural occurrences of this element in the Frontier Formation. One pondweed sample collected from Lake George had a mercury concentration of 1.009 ug/g dry weight (0.11 ug/g wet weight). Adverse reproductive effects in birds have been reported at mercury concentrations of 0.05 to 0.1 ug/g wet weight in the diet (Eisler 1987). The source of the mercury is unknown although mercury was not detected in four other pondweed samples collected at this site. An aquatic invertebrate sample collected from Lake George had a selenium concentration of 5.45 ug/g dry weight, above the 3 ug/g level of concern for bioaccumulation in fish and wildlife recommended by Lemly and Smith (1987). Other trace elements in aquatic vegetation and aquatic invertebrates were not elevated

National Elk Refuge

Analytical results from water, sediment and biota collected at the National Elk Refuge are presented in Appendix B. The following trace elements were present below detection limits in all water samples collected from the National Elk Refuge: antimony, beryllium, cadmium, chromium, copper, lead, mercury, nickel, selenium, silver, thallium, tin and vanadium. The EPA criterion for the protection of freshwater aquatic life is more than 87 ug/l of aluminum, not more than once every three years when the pH is between 6.5 and 9.0 (EPA 1988). A water sample collected from Cache Creek had an aluminum concentration of 1010 ug/l. Additional monitoring is needed to determine if the aluminum concentration in water at Cache Creek exceeds 87 ug/l more than once in a three-year period. Concentrations of all other trace elements were below the EPA criteria for the protection of freshwater aquatic life.

Lead concentrations were below detection levels in all matrices except sediments and soils. Soil collected at a site adjacent to a culvert on Highway 89 had the highest lead concentrations (211 and 303 ug/g dry weight). The culvert conveys runoff from a car wash near the highway and discharges water onto the highway right-of-way adjacent to the refuge. Increased lead concentrations in soils from highway right-of-ways result from the exhaust of automobiles burning gasoline with lead additives (Eisler 1988). Aluminum and cadmium in the soil sample were above background levels reported by Harms et al. (1990). Although present above background concentrations, aluminum and cadmium were not at levels known to adversely affect fish and wildlife.

The 3.2 ug/g selenium concentration in a pondweed sample from Flat Creek was slightly above the 3 ug/g level of concern for bioaccumulation in fish and wildlife recommended by Lemly and Smith (1987). The source is unknown, but runoff from the adjacent highway may account for the selenium.

An adult green-winged teal collected at the refuge had a selenium concentration in the liver of 31 ug/g dry weight. A 25 ug/g concentration is suspected of causing adverse reproductive effects in waterfowl (U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service 1990). However, the teal was capable of flight, so the elevated selenium concentration cannot be attributed directly to the refuge. Other trace elements in aquatic vegetation and bird livers were present in concentrations not considered adverse to fish and wildlife.

Seedskadee NWR

Analytical results from water, sediment and biota collected at Seedskadee NWR are presented in Appendix C. Trace element concentrations in all matrices analyzed were below levels known to cause adverse effects to fish and wildlife, with the exception of boron. Trace elements in sediments were at or below the background levels reported by Harms et al. (1990). Boron concentrations in three pondweed samples from the Hay Farm Pond at Seedskadee NWR exceeded the 300 ug/g dry weight level suspected to cause reduced growth in mallard ducklings (Eisler 1990). The source of the boron is unknown. Atmospheric deposition from coal-fired power plants may be a possible source

MANAGEMENT RECOMMENDATIONS

Continued monitoring of boron and selenium concentrations in aquatic vegetation and aquatic invertebrates is recommended for Seedskadee, Hutton Lake and National Elk NWR's. A biomonitoring plan for the BEST (Biomonitoring Environmental Status and Trends) Program has been developed for Seedskadee. Specific sites in need of monitoring within these refuges include: Lake George and Creighton Lake at Hutton Lake NWR, Flat Creek adjacent to U.S. Highway 89 at the National Elk Refuge, and Hay Farm Pond at Seedskadee NWR

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Appendix A. Trace element concentrations in water, sediment and biota from Hutton Lake National Wildlife Refuge, Albany County, Wyoming (water in ug/ml, sediment and biota in ug/g dry weight)[NA=No Analysis].

| SPECIES | MATRIX | MOISTURE | Arsenic | Mercury | Selenium | Silver | Aluminum |
|--|----------|----------|---------|---------|----------|--------|-----------|
| <u>Creighton Lake</u> | | | | | | | |
| Potamogeton Potamogeton | Water | 100.0 | 0.0060 | <0.0004 | <0.0010 | <0.025 | 0.190 |
| | Water | 100.0 | 0.0160 | <0.0004 | <0.0010 | <0.025 | 0.500 |
| | Plant | 83.9 | 2.6100 | <0.1550 | <0.6200 | <3.110 | 144.100 |
| | Plant | 83.7 | 2.3300 | <0.1530 | <0.6100 | <3.070 | 245.400 |
| <u>Hutton Lake</u> | | | | | | | |
| Potamogeton Potamogeton | Water | 100.0 | 0.0061 | 0.0004 | 0.0004 | <0.020 | 1.400 |
| | Sediment | 46.0 | 5.7000 | 0.0300 | 0.8600 | <2.000 | 22400.000 |
| | Plant | 88.5 | 1.6500 | <0.2170 | <0.8700 | <4.350 | 233.910 |
| | Plant | 88.0 | 2.0800 | <0.2080 | <0.8300 | <4.170 | 272.500 |
| <u>Rush Lake</u> | | | | | | | |
| Potamogeton Potamogeton Aquatic Invertebrate Aquatic Invertebrate Aquatic Invertebrate Aquatic Invertebrate Aquatic Invertebrate Canada Goose Canada Goose Canada Goose | Water | 100.0 | 0.0043 | <0.0004 | 0.0005 | <0.020 | 0.600 |
| | Sediment | 34.2 | 1.4000 | <0.0200 | 0.3000 | <2.000 | 4810.000 |
| | Plant | 90.3 | <1.0300 | <0.2580 | 1.5500 | <5.150 | 389.690 |
| | Plant | 90.6 | <1.0600 | <0.2660 | <1.0600 | <5.320 | 230.850 |
| | | 87.4 | 0.7900 | 0.5240 | 1.7500 | <3.970 | 51.590 |
| | | 89.7 | 0.9700 | 0.5440 | 1.8400 | <4.850 | 48.540 |
| | | 90.1 | <1.0100 | 0.6060 | 2.2200 | <5.050 | 79.800 |
| | | 87.9 | <0.8300 | 0.3720 | 1.5700 | <4.130 | 54.550 |
| | | 88.1 | <0.8400 | 0.4030 | 1.4300 | <4.200 | 52.100 |
| | Egg | 68.5 | <0.1000 | 0.0200 | 1.0000 | <2.000 | <3.000 |
| | Egg | 66.1 | <0.1000 | 0.0090 | 1.2000 | <2.000 | <3.000 |
| | Egg | 64.5 | <0.1000 | <0.0070 | 0.9400 | <2.000 | <3.000 |
| <u>Sand Creek</u> | | | | | | | |
| | Sediment | 50.8 | 2.5000 | <0.0200 | 1.1000 | <2.000 | 28100.000 |
| | Water | 100.0 | 0.0007 | <0.0004 | 0.0006 | <0.020 | 0.140 |

Appendix A. Trace element concentrations in water, sediment and biota from Hutton Lake National Wildlife Refuge, Albany County, Wyoming (water in ug/ml, sediment and biota in ug/g dry weight)[NA=No Analysis].

| SPECIES | MATRIX | MOISTURE | Arsenic | Mercury | Selenium | Silver | Aluminum |
|----------------------|----------|----------|---------|---------|----------|--------|----------|
| <u>Lake George</u> | | | | | | | |
| | Sediment | 37.4 | 1.3700 | <0.0400 | 2.0800 | <3.990 | 2603.830 |
| Potamogeton | Plant | 88.7 | 3.1000 | <0.2210 | <0.8800 | <4.420 | 98.230 |
| Potamogeton | Plant | 89.4 | 2.5500 | 1.0090 | 1.1300 | <4.720 | 62.260 |
| Potamogeton | Plant | 87.6 | 1.1300 | <0.2020 | <0.8100 | <4.030 | 76.610 |
| Potamogeton | Plant | 85.8 | 1.5500 | <0.1760 | <0.7000 | <3.520 | 221.830 |
| Canada Goose | Egg | 65.8 | <0.1000 | 0.0070 | 1.5000 | <2.000 | <3.000 |
| Potamogeton | Plant | 90.3 | 2.6800 | <0.2580 | <1.0300 | <5.150 | 37.110 |
| Algae | Plant | 88.7 | 2.4800 | <0.2210 | 1.0600 | <4.420 | 376.990 |
| Algae | Plant | 93.2 | 13.9700 | <0.3680 | 1.9100 | <7.350 | 482.350 |
| Aquatic Invertebrate | | 87.0 | <0.7700 | 0.6310 | 1.6900 | <3.850 | 152.310 |
| Aquatic Invertebrate | | 86.0 | 3.3600 | 0.2640 | 1.0000 | <3.570 | 305.000 |
| Aquatic Invertebrate | | 84.4 | 1.6700 | 0.1990 | 5.4500 | <3.210 | 70.510 |

| SPECIES | MATRIX | Boron | Barium | Beryllium | Cadmium | Chromium | Copper |
|-----------------------|----------|---------|---------|-----------|---------|----------|--------|
| <u>Creighton Lake</u> | | | | | | | |
| | Water | 3.900 | 0.400 | <0.003 | <0.003 | <0.005 | <0.013 |
| | Water | 3.770 | 0.380 | <0.003 | <0.003 | <0.005 | <0.013 |
| Potamogeton | Plant | 391.300 | 5.470 | <0.310 | <0.310 | 0.750 | 5.590 |
| Potamogeton | Plant | 407.980 | 6.870 | <0.310 | <0.310 | 0.920 | 4.600 |
| <u>Hutton Lake</u> | | | | | | | |
| | Water | 1.300 | 0.035 | <0.001 | <0.002 | 0.020 | 0.004 |
| | Sediment | 21.000 | 200.000 | 1.300 | <0.200 | 23.000 | 16.000 |
| Potamogeton | Plant | 672.170 | 19.570 | <0.430 | <0.430 | 0.960 | 5.040 |
| Potamogeton | Plant | 677.500 | 20.670 | <0.420 | <0.420 | 1.250 | 4.250 |
| <u>Rush Lake</u> | | | | | | | |
| | Water | 0.640 | 0.034 | <0.001 | <0.002 | 0.010 | <0.003 |
| | Sediment | 10.000 | 225.000 | 0.330 | <0.200 | 6.400 | 3.000 |
| Potamogeton | Plant | 559.790 | 16.800 | <0.520 | <0.520 | <1.030 | 9.790 |
| Potamogeton | Plant | 592.550 | 11.810 | <0.530 | <0.530 | 1.490 | 7.870 |
| Aquatic Invertebrate | | 12.300 | <3.970 | <0.400 | <0.400 | 2.220 | 12.860 |
| Aquatic Invertebrate | | 16.120 | <4.850 | <0.490 | <0.490 | 2.430 | 12.720 |
| Aquatic Invertebrate | | 12.530 | <5.050 | <0.510 | <0.510 | 1.920 | 12.530 |

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| SPECIES | MATRIX | Boron | Barium | Beryllium | Cadmium | Chromium | Copper |
|----------------------|----------|---------|---------|-----------|---------|----------|--------|
| <u>Rush Lake</u> | | | | | | | |
| Aquatic Invertebrate | | 11.320 | <4.130 | <0.410 | <0.410 | 1.820 | 9.590 |
| Aquatic Invertebrate | | 10.840 | <4.200 | <0.420 | <0.420 | 1.430 | 10.920 |
| Canada Goose | Egg | <2.0000 | 3.900 | <0.090 | <0.200 | <0.900 | 3.400 |
| Canada Goose | Egg | <2.0000 | 1.400 | <0.100 | <0.200 | <1.000 | 3.100 |
| Canada Goose | Egg | <2.0000 | 2.300 | <0.100 | <0.200 | <1.000 | 2.300 |
| <u>Sand Creek</u> | | | | | | | |
| | Sediment | 26.000 | 204.000 | 1.400 | <0.200 | 34.000 | 14.000 |
| | Water | 0.100 | 0.045 | <0.001 | <0.002 | <0.010 | <0.002 |
| <u>Lake George</u> | | | | | | | |
| | Sediment | 16.770 | 23.320 | <0.400 | 0.880 | 3.190 | 44.570 |
| Potamogeton | Plant | 820.350 | 14.160 | <0.440 | <0.440 | 0.970 | 6.020 |
| Potamogeton | Plant | 735.850 | 6.600 | <0.470 | <0.470 | 1.230 | 5.570 |
| Potamogeton | Plant | 491.940 | 16.290 | <0.400 | <0.400 | 0.970 | 4.600 |
| Potamogeton | Plant | 430.990 | 32.540 | <0.350 | <0.350 | 1.200 | 4.790 |
| Canada Goose | Egg | <2.000 | 4.600 | <0.090 | <0.200 | <0.900 | 2.900 |
| Potamogeton | Plant | 773.200 | 7.840 | <0.520 | <0.520 | 1.030 | 9.590 |
| Algae | Plant | 81.060 | 10.090 | <0.440 | <0.440 | 1.150 | 6.110 |
| Algae | Plant | 522.060 | 20.290 | <0.740 | 0.740 | <1.470 | 6.180 |
| Aquatic Invertebrate | | 14.460 | <3.850 | <0.380 | <0.380 | 1.460 | 32.850 |
| Aquatic Invertebrate | | 13.290 | 10.570 | <0.360 | <0.360 | 2.140 | 57.430 |
| Aquatic Invertebrate | | 9.040 | 6.090 | <0.320 | <0.320 | 1.220 | 36.730 |

| SPECIES | MATRIX | Iron | Magnesium | Manganese | Molybdenum | Nickel | Lead |
|-----------------------|--------|---------|-----------|-----------|------------|--------|--------|
| <u>Creighton Lake</u> | | | | | | | |
| | Water | <0.075 | <1430.00 | <0.049 | <0.025 | <0.02 | <0.015 |
| | Water | <0.080 | 1450.00 | 0.062 | <0.029 | <0.02 | <0.015 |
| Potamogeton | Plant | 387.580 | 14161.48 | 274.530 | <3.110 | 3.42 | <1.860 |
| Potamogeton | Plant | 717.790 | 11779.14 | 400.610 | 4.050 | 2.64 | 2.640 |

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| SPECIES | MATRIX | Iron | Magnesium | Manganese | Molybdenum | Nickel | Lead |
|----------------------|----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|------------|--------|---------|
| <u>Hutton Lake</u> | | | | | | | |
| Potamogeton | Water | 1.740 | 781.00 | 1.090 | <0.010 | <0.01 | <0.040 |
| | Sediment | 14900.000 | 7370.00 | 209.000 | <2.000 | 19.00 | 16.000 |
| | Plant | 709.570 | 15913.04 | 661.740 | <4.350 | <3.48 | 3.040 |
| | Plant | 858.330 | 16416.66 | 727.500 | <4.170 | <3.33 | 3.170 |
| <u>Rush Lake</u> | | | | | | | |
| Potamogeton | Water | <0.710 | 513.00 | 0.495 | <0.01 | <0.01 | <0.040 |
| | Sediment | 3690.000 | 2730.00 | 164.000 | <1.000 | 4.60 | <40.000 |
| | Plant | 1350.520 | 10927.84 | 490.720 | <5.150 | <4.12 | 3.200 |
| | Plant | 760.640 | 10851.07 | 506.380 | <5.320 | <4.26 | <3.190 |
| Aquatic Invertebrate | | 198.410 | 2246.03 | 21.190 | <3.970 | <3.17 | 2.780 |
| Aquatic Invertebrate | | 233.010 | 2485.44 | 22.230 | <4.850 | <3.88 | 5.530 |
| Aquatic Invertebrate | | 251.520 | 1909.09 | 22.630 | <5.050 | <4.04 | 5.350 |
| Aquatic Invertebrate | | 190.910 | 1776.86 | 22.070 | <4.130 | <3.31 | <2.480 |
| Aquatic Invertebrate | | 178.990 | 2084.03 | 26.300 | <4.200 | <3.36 | 5.040 |
| Canada Goose | Egg | 119.000 | 363.00 | 1.200 | <1.000 | <1.00 | <40.000 |
| Canada Goose | Egg | 114.000 | 431.00 | 1.800 | <1.000 | <1.00 | <40.000 |
| Canada Goose | Egg | 121.000 | 385.00 | 2.400 | <1.000 | <1.00 | <40.000 |
| <u>Sand Creek</u> | | | | | | | |
| | Sediment | 18400.000 | 9320.00 | 247.000 | <2.000 | 17.00 | 15.000 |
| | Water | <0.380 | 60.40 | 0.052 | <0.010 | <0.01 | <0.040 |
| <u>Lake George</u> | | | | | | | |
| Potamogeton | Sediment | 3929.710 | 1789.14 | 75.080 | <3.990 | 3.35 | 3.430 |
| Potamogeton | Plant | 248.670 | 18849.55 | 661.060 | <4.420 | <3.54 | <2.650 |
| Potamogeton | Plant | 173.580 | 17735.84 | 488.680 | <4.720 | <3.77 | <2.830 |
| Potamogeton | Plant | 250.810 | 10887.10 | 1250.000 | <4.030 | <3.23 | <2.420 |
| Potamogeton | Plant | 415.490 | 12464.79 | 1809.860 | <3.520 | <2.82 | <2.110 |
| Canada Goose | Egg | 128.000 | 427.00 | 4.400 | <1.000 | <1.00 | <4.000 |
| Potamogeton | Plant | 147.420 | 18041.24 | 476.290 | <5.150 | <4.12 | <3.090 |
| Algae | Plant | 790.270 | 4734.51 | 589.380 | <4.420 | <3.54 | <2.650 |
| Algae | Plant | 1455.880 | 17499.99 | 4191.170 | <7.350 | <5.88 | <4.410 |

Appendix A. Trace element concentrations in water, sediment and biota from Hutton Lake National Wildlife Refuge, Albany County, Wyoming (water in ug/ml, sediment and biota in ug/g dry weight)[NA=No Analysis].

| SPECIES | MATRIX | Iron | Magnesium | Manganese | Molybdenum | Nickel | Lead |
|-----------------------|----------|----------|-----------|-----------|------------|----------|--------|
| <u>Lake George</u> | | | | | | | |
| Aquatic Invertebrate | | 240.770 | 3292.31 | 53.920 | <3.850 | <3.08 | 4.850 |
| Aquatic Invertebrate | | 298.570 | 4742.86 | 68.640 | <3.570 | <2.86 | <2.140 |
| Aquatic Invertebrate | | 83.330 | 2961.54 | 43.780 | <3.210 | <2.56 | 3.590 |
| SPECIES | MATRIX | Antimony | Tin | Strontium | Thallium | Vanadium | Zinc |
| <u>Creighton Lake</u> | | | | | | | |
| Potamogeton | Water | <0.500 | <0.025 | 28.30 | <0.10 | <0.025 | 0.019 |
| | Water | <0.500 | <0.025 | 26.70 | <0.10 | <0.025 | 0.053 |
| | Plant | <6.210 | <3.110 | 888.20 | <12.42 | <3.110 | 23.290 |
| | Plant | <6.130 | <3.070 | 522.70 | <12.27 | <3.070 | 19.140 |
| <u>Hutton Lake</u> | | | | | | | |
| Potamogeton | Water | NA | NA | 15.20 | <0.04 | 0.004 | <0.005 |
| | Sediment | NA | NA | 444.00 | <40.00 | 32.300 | 58.000 |
| | Plant | <8.700 | <4.350 | 1052.17 | <17.39 | <4.350 | 21.300 |
| | Plant | <8.330 | <4.170 | 1100.00 | <16.67 | <4.170 | 21.330 |
| <u>Rush Lake</u> | | | | | | | |
| Potamogeton | Water | NA | NA | 10.80 | <0.040 | 0.004 | <0.004 |
| | Sediment | NA | NA | 350.00 | <40.00 | 9.700 | 14.000 |
| | Plant | <10.310 | <5.150 | 655.67 | <20.62 | <5.150 | 35.670 |
| | Plant | <10.640 | <5.320 | 673.40 | <21.28 | <5.320 | 39.260 |
| Aquatic Invertebrate | | <7.940 | <3.970 | 79.29 | <15.87 | <3.970 | 91.270 |
| Aquatic Invertebrate | | <9.710 | 14.370 | 86.50 | <19.42 | <4.850 | 89.900 |
| Aquatic Invertebrate | | <10.100 | <5.050 | 70.10 | <20.20 | <5.050 | 94.040 |
| Aquatic Invertebrate | | <8.260 | <4.130 | 68.18 | <16.53 | <4.130 | 77.850 |
| Aquatic Invertebrate | | <8.400 | 14.370 | 81.26 | <16.81 | <4.200 | 76.970 |
| Canada Goose | Egg | NA | NA | 13.80 | <40.00 | <0.300 | 57.800 |
| Canada Goose | Egg | NA | NA | 12.80 | <40.00 | <0.300 | 51.800 |
| Canada Goose | Egg | NA | NA | 16.00 | <40.00 | <0.300 | 55.400 |
| <u>Sand Creek</u> | | | | | | | |
| | Sediment | 0.000 | 0.000 | 215.00 | <40.00 | 49.100 | 58.500 |
| | Water | 0.000 | 0.000 | 3.34 | <0.040 | 0.004 | <0.003 |

Appendix A. Trace element concentrations in water, sediment and biota from Hutton Lake National Wildlife Refuge, Albany County, Wyoming (water in ug/ml, sediment and biota in ug/g dry weight)[NA=No Analysis].

| SPECIES | MATRIX | Antimony | Tin | Strontium | Thallium | Vanadium | Zinc |
|----------------------|----------|----------|--------------------|-----------|----------|----------|---------|
| | | | <u>Lake George</u> | | | | |
| | Sediment | <7.990 | <3.990 | 153.83 | 38.500 | 6.870 | 14.700 |
| Potamogeton | Plant | <8.850 | <4.420 | 784.96 | <17.70 | <4.420 | 25.750 |
| Potamogeton | Plant | <9.430 | <4.720 | 402.83 | <18.87 | <4.720 | 26.130 |
| Potamogeton | Plant | <8.060 | 20.320 | 935.48 | <12.27 | <4.030 | 18.230 |
| Potamogeton | Plant | <7.040 | <3.520 | 1746.48 | <14.08 | <3.520 | 19.370 |
| Canada Goose | Egg | NA | NA | 17.00 | < 4.00 | <0.300 | 58.700 |
| Potamogeton | Plant | <10.310 | <5.150 | 435.05 | <20.62 | <5.150 | 23.090 |
| Algae | Plant | <8.850 | <4.420 | 361.95 | <17.70 | <4.420 | 12.570 |
| Algae | Plant | <14.710 | <7.350 | 651.47 | <29.41 | <7.350 | 14.120 |
| Aquatic Invertebrate | | <7.690 | <3.850 | 213.85 | <15.38 | <3.850 | 115.380 |
| Aquatic Invertebrate | | <7.140 | 17.000 | 1664.29 | <14.29 | <3.570 | 87.140 |
| Aquatic Invertebrate | | <6.410 | 17.440 | 929.49 | <12.82 | <3.210 | 60.640 |

Appendix B. Trace element concentrations in water, sediment and biota from the National Elk Refuge, Teton County, Wyoming (water in ug/ml, sediment and biota in ug/g dry weight)[NA=No Analysis].

| SPECIES | MATRIX | MOISTURE | Arsenic | Mercury | Selenium | Silver | Aluminum |
|---|----------|----------|---------|---------|----------|---------|-----------|
| <u>Broadway Street Site - Jackson, WY</u> | | | | | | | |
| | Water | 100.0 | 0.001 | <0.004 | <0.001 | <0.025 | <0.050 |
| | Sediment | 41.6 | 7.700 | 0.084 | 1.400 | <4.280 | 9930.000 |
| | Sediment | 44.9 | 9.600 | 0.085 | 1.100 | <4.540 | 15700.000 |
| <u>Cache Creek - Jackson, WY</u> | | | | | | | |
| | Water | 100.0 | <0.001 | <0.004 | <0.001 | <0.025 | 1.010 |
| | Sediment | 30.1 | 7.900 | 0.043 | <0.140 | <3.580 | 8090.000 |
| | Sediment | 37.3 | 8.000 | 0.075 | 1.600 | <3.990 | 9080.000 |
| <u>Culvert/Highway 89 near Refuge</u> | | | | | | | |
| | Sediment | 43.4 | 21.700 | 0.152 | 0.530 | <4.420 | 21900.000 |
| | Sediment | 40.6 | 29.500 | 0.202 | 1.700 | <6.350 | 40400.000 |
| <u>Flat Creek at Highway 89</u> | | | | | | | |
| | Sediment | 65.2 | 19.000 | <0.072 | 1.700 | <7.180 | 12400.000 |
| | Sediment | 80.5 | 19.000 | <0.128 | 3.100 | <12.800 | 14400.000 |
| Potamogeton | Plant | 96.6 | 3.200 | <0.806 | 3.200 | <16.100 | 700.000 |
| Potamogeton | Plant | 97.9 | <4.800 | <1.190 | <4.800 | <23.800 | 410.000 |
| <u>Jackson Fish Hatchery Outfall</u> | | | | | | | |
| | Sediment | 44.3 | 9.000 | <0.045 | 1.100 | <4.349 | 12300.000 |
| | Sediment | 44.1 | 8.600 | <0.045 | 0.720 | <4.470 | 12500.000 |
| | Water | 100.0 | 0.012 | <0.004 | <0.001 | <0.025 | 0.065 |
| <u>Lower Shop Pond at Refuge</u> | | | | | | | |
| | Water | 100.0 | <0.001 | <0.004 | <0.001 | <0.025 | <0.050 |
| | Sediment | 56.1 | 12.100 | <0.057 | 0.910 | <5.690 | 13000.000 |
| | Sediment | 42.7 | 11.000 | <0.044 | 0.350 | <4.360 | 12100.000 |
| Potamogeton | Plant | 93.2 | 4.400 | <0.368 | <1.500 | <7.350 | 613.000 |
| Potamogeton | Plant | 95.5 | 11.100 | <0.556 | 2.200 | <11.100 | 1340.000 |

Appendix B. Trace element concentrations in water, sediment and biota from the National Elk Refuge, Teton County, Wyoming (water in ug/ml, sediment and biota in ug/g dry weight)[NA=No Analysis]

Aquatic Birds Collected at the National Elk Refuge - 1988

| SPECIES | MATRIX | MOISTURE | Arsenic | Mercury | Selenium | Silver | Aluminum |
|-------------------|--------|----------|---------|---------|----------|--------|----------|
| Green-winged Teal | Liver | 75.0 | <0.100 | 0.490 | 4.400 | <2.000 | <3.000 |
| American Coot | Liver | 77.7 | 0.300 | NA | 6.800 | <2.000 | <3.000 |
| American Coot | Liver | 76.2 | 0.300 | 0.230 | 5.300 | <2.000 | <3.000 |
| Green-winged Teal | Liver | 70.0 | <0.100 | 1.300 | 31.000 | <2.000 | 11.000 |

Various Ponds Within the National Elk Refuge

| | | | | | | | |
|--------------------------|----------|------|-------|--------|--------|---------|-----------|
| Bill's Bayou | Sediment | 27.5 | 1.890 | <0.020 | 0.366 | <10.000 | 33200.000 |
| Peterson Pond | Sediment | 11.0 | 4.380 | <0.020 | <0.620 | <10.000 | 10200.000 |
| Pierres Pond | Sediment | 39.4 | 1.980 | <0.020 | <0.300 | <10.000 | 18500.000 |
| Pierres Pond/Potamogeton | Plant | 75.6 | 1.580 | <0.030 | <0.600 | <10.000 | 524.000 |
| Romney Pond | Sediment | 39.8 | 8.740 | 0.033 | 1.120 | <10.000 | 28300.000 |

Flat Creek Wetlands at the National Elk Refuge

| | | | | | | |
|----------|------|-------|-------|-------|--------|-----------|
| Sediment | 54.9 | 3.200 | 0.040 | 1.100 | <2.000 | 9270.000 |
| Sediment | 48.7 | 4.100 | 0.040 | 0.950 | <2.000 | 11500.000 |
| Sediment | 84.7 | 7.000 | 0.040 | 3.300 | <2.000 | 8040.000 |
| Sediment | 81.8 | 7.400 | 0.048 | 2.600 | <2.000 | 8340.000 |

| SPECIES | MATRIX | Boron | Barium | Beryllium | Cadmium | Chromium | Copper |
|---------|--------|-------|--------|-----------|---------|----------|--------|
|---------|--------|-------|--------|-----------|---------|----------|--------|

Broadway Street Site - Jackson, WY

| | | | | | | |
|----------|--------|---------|--------|--------|--------|--------|
| Water | <0.025 | 0.053 | <0.003 | <0.003 | <0.005 | <0.013 |
| Sediment | 13.800 | 88.400 | 0.680 | 1.030 | 14.200 | 12.300 |
| Sediment | 45.300 | 116.000 | 0.820 | 1.000 | 22.500 | 13.100 |

Cache Creek - Jackson, WY

| | | | | | | |
|----------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|
| Water | <0.025 | 0.058 | <0.003 | <0.003 | <0.005 | <0.013 |
| Sediment | 16.700 | 77.500 | 0.430 | 0.500 | 11.200 | 8.080 |
| Sediment | 11.200 | 87.900 | 0.480 | 0.640 | 12.500 | 9.090 |

Culvert/Highway 89 near Refuge

| | | | | | | |
|----------|---------|---------|-------|--------|--------|---------|
| Sediment | 67.500 | 397.000 | 1.410 | 9.450 | 40.100 | 162.000 |
| Sediment | 204.000 | 810.000 | 2.030 | 10.400 | 55.100 | 156.000 |

Appendix B. Trace element concentrations in water, sediment and biota from the National Elk Refuge, Teton County, Wyoming (water in ug/ml, sediment and biota in ug/g dry weight)[NA=No Analysis].

| SPECIES | MATRIX | Boron | Barium | Beryllium | Cadmium | Chromium | Copper |
|---|----------|----------|---------|-----------|---------|----------|---------|
| <u>Flat Creek at Highway 89</u> | | | | | | | |
| Potamogeton | Sediment | 1110.000 | 109.000 | 1.010 | 3.740 | 19.300 | 14.400 |
| | Sediment | 104.000 | 108.000 | <1.280 | 1.790 | 20.000 | 18.700 |
| | Plant | 28.400 | 81.600 | <1.610 | <1.610 | <3.230 | 12.900 |
| | Plant | 31.000 | 84.800 | <2.380 | <2.380 | <4.760 | 12.900 |
| <u>Jackson Fish Hatchery Outfall</u> | | | | | | | |
| Potamogeton | Sediment | 37.500 | 229.000 | 0.900 | 0.540 | 17.200 | 14.000 |
| | Sediment | 29.500 | 215.000 | 0.890 | 0.720 | 17.900 | 12.800 |
| | Water | 0.038 | 0.058 | <0.003 | <0.003 | <0.005 | <0.013 |
| | Water | 0.051 | <0.025 | <0.003 | <0.003 | <0.005 | <0.013 |
| <u>Lower Shop Pond at Refuge</u> | | | | | | | |
| Potamogeton | Sediment | 39.500 | 159.000 | 1.030 | 1.140 | 16.300 | 13.100 |
| | Sediment | 42.900 | 188.000 | 0.790 | 0.790 | 14.400 | 10.700 |
| | Plant | 162.000 | 281.000 | <0.740 | <0.740 | 2.350 | 5.880 |
| | Plant | 22.400 | 162.000 | <1.110 | <1.110 | <2.220 | 6.220 |
| <u>Aquatic Birds Collected at the National Elk Refuge</u> | | | | | | | |
| Green-winged Teal | Liver | <3.000 | <0.100 | <0.100 | <0.300 | 2.000 | 20.000 |
| American Coot | Liver | <2.000 | 0.100 | <0.100 | <0.300 | 2.000 | 25.500 |
| American Coot | Liver | <2.000 | 0.100 | <0.100 | <0.300 | 1.000 | 27.500 |
| Green-winged Teal | Liver | <2.000 | <0.100 | <0.100 | 1.400 | 2.000 | 111.000 |
| <u>Various Ponds Within the National Elk Refuge</u> | | | | | | | |
| Bill's Bayou | Sediment | 30.400 | 440.000 | 1.050 | <25.000 | 29.800 | 7.570 |
| Peterson Pond | Sediment | 38.000 | 307.000 | 0.926 | <25.000 | 26.000 | 10.500 |
| Pierres Pond | Sediment | 38.400 | 337.000 | 1.300 | <25.000 | 14.200 | 7.140 |
| Pierres Pond/Potamogeton | Plant | 183.000 | 109.000 | <0.200 | <0.700 | <3.000 | 4.710 |
| Romney Pond | Sediment | 32.600 | 340.000 | 1.090 | <25.000 | 21.800 | 10.900 |

Appendix B. Trace element concentrations in water, sediment and biota from the National Elk Refuge, Teton County, Wyoming (water in ug/ml, sediment and biota in ug/g dry weight)[NA=No Analysis].

| SPECIES | MATRIX | Boron | Barium | Beryllium | Cadmium | Chromium | Copper |
|---|----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|------------|----------|---------|
| <u>Flat Creek Wetlands at the National Elk Refuge</u> | | | | | | | |
| | Sediment | 4.000 | 98.900 | 0.680 | 0.500 | 18.1100 | 8.900 |
| | Sediment | 5.000 | 114.000 | 0.780 | 0.600 | 19.1100 | 13.000 |
| | Sediment | 8.000 | 133.000 | 0.450 | 1.100 | 23.1100 | 11.000 |
| | Sediment | 10.000 | 117.000 | 0.480 | 0.840 | 21.1100 | 16.000 |
| SPECIES | MATRIX | Iron | Magnesium | Manganese | Molybdenum | Nickel | Lead |
| <u>Broadway Street Site - Jackson, WY</u> | | | | | | | |
| | Water | 0.860 | 13.0 | 0.020 | <0.025 | <0.02 | <0.015 |
| | Sediment | 10200.000 | 9130.0 | 177.000 | <4.280 | 10.20 | 10.900 |
| | Sediment | 13200.000 | 13700.0 | 236.000 | <4.540 | 13.20 | 7.620 |
| <u>Cache Creek - Jackson, WY</u> | | | | | | | |
| | Water | 0.935 | 13.7 | 0.030 | <0.025 | 0.025 | <0.015 |
| | Sediment | 8350.000 | 9020.0 | 159.000 | <3.580 | 8.23 | 5.580 |
| | Sediment | 9900.000 | 12800.0 | 196.000 | <3.990 | 10.40 | 6.300 |
| <u>Culvert/Highway 89 near Refuge</u> | | | | | | | |
| | Sediment | 20700.000 | 14900.0 | 417.000 | <4.420 | 31.20 | 211.000 |
| | Sediment | 32000.000 | 36600.0 | 870.000 | <6.350 | 53.70 | 303.000 |
| <u>Flat Creek at Highway 89</u> | | | | | | | |
| | Sediment | 13400.000 | 15100.0 | 156.000 | <7.180 | 14.90 | 32.300 |
| | Sediment | 13500.000 | 16000.0 | 105.000 | <12.800 | 13.10 | 67.200 |
| Potamogeton | Plant | 1940.000 | 6320.0 | 1850.000 | <16.100 | <12.90 | <9.680 |
| Potamogeton | Plant | 1930.000 | 7330.0 | 1920.000 | <23.800 | <19.00 | <14.300 |
| <u>Jackson Fish Hatchery Outfall</u> | | | | | | | |
| | Sediment | 10100.000 | 26200.0 | 344.000 | <4.490 | 8.98 | 7.630 |
| | Sediment | 10200.000 | 24900.0 | 282.000 | <4.470 | 10.30 | 9.210 |
| | Water | <0.050 | 16.9 | <0.006 | <0.025 | <0.02 | <0.015 |

Appendix B. Trace element concentrations in water, sediment and biota from the National Elk Refuge, Teton County, Wyoming (water in ug/ml, sediment and biota in ug/g dry weight)[NA=No Analysis].

| SPECIES | MATRIX | Iron | Magnesium | Manganese | Molybdenum | Nickel | Lead |
|---|----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|------------|----------|---------|
| <u>Lower Shop Pond at Refuge</u> | | | | | | | |
| | Water | <0.050 | 31.8 | 0.013 | <0.025 | <0.02 | <0.015 |
| | Sediment | 9880.000 | 20300.0 | 373.000 | <5.690 | 9.23 | 6.950 |
| | Sediment | 9130.000 | 26500.0 | 333.000 | <4.360 | 8.81 | 7.070 |
| <u>Lower Shop Pond at Refuge</u> | | | | | | | |
| Potamogeton | Plant | 878.000 | 9040.0 | 374.000 | <7.350 | <5.88 | <4.410 |
| Potamogeton | Plant | 1940.000 | 9560.0 | 524.000 | <11.100 | <8.89 | <6.670 |
| <u>Aquatic Birds Collected at the National Elk Refuge</u> | | | | | | | |
| Green-winged Teal | Liver | 288.000 | 1110.0 | 0.600 | <1.000 | <2.00 | <4.000 |
| American Coot | Liver | 1050.000 | 827.0 | 9.200 | 2.000 | <2.00 | <4.000 |
| American Coot | Liver | 496.000 | 850.0 | 10.000 | 2.000 | <2.00 | <4.000 |
| Green-winged Teal | Liver | 1520.000 | 724.0 | 14.000 | 3.000 | <2.00 | <4.000 |
| <u>Various Ponds Within the National Elk Refuge</u> | | | | | | | |
| Bill's Bayou | Sediment | 13600.000 | 9660.0 | 412.000 | <5.000 | 12.00 | 9.620 |
| Peterson Pond | Sediment | 12400.000 | 1790.0 | 432.000 | <5.000 | 9.93 | 15.300 |
| Pierres Pond | Sediment | 12800.000 | 4720.0 | 308.000 | <5.000 | 6.51 | 17.500 |
| Pierres Pond/Potamogeton | Plant | 423.000 | 3810.0 | 37.100 | <7.500 | <4.00 | <7.000 |
| Romney Pond | Sediment | 12900.000 | 5830.0 | 177.000 | <5.000 | 10.70 | 14.600 |
| <u>Flat Creek Wetlands at the National Elk Refuge</u> | | | | | | | |
| | Sediment | 9660.000 | 17500.0 | 129.000 | <2.000 | 9.20 | <10.000 |
| | Sediment | 11000.000 | 16600.0 | 149.000 | <2.000 | 10.00 | 13.000 |
| | Sediment | 12500.000 | 7360.0 | 99.800 | <2.000 | 7.20 | 25.000 |
| | Sediment | 10500.000 | 10500.0 | 88.700 | <2.000 | 8.60 | 21.000 |
| SPECIES | MATRIX | Antimony | Tin | Strontium | Thallium | Vanadium | Zinc |
| <u>Broadway Street Site - Jackson, WY</u> | | | | | | | |
| | Water | <0.05 | <0.025 | 0.084 | <0.1 | <0.025 | 0.022 |
| | Sediment | <8.56 | <4.280 | 30.700 | <17.1 | 21.300 | 209.000 |
| | Sediment | <9.07 | <4.540 | 40.300 | <18.1 | 32.300 | 244.000 |

Appendix B. Trace element concentrations in water, sediment and biota from the National Elk Refuge, Teton County, Wyoming (water in ug/ml, sediment and biota in ug/g dry weight)[NA=No Analysis].

| SPECIES | MATRIX | Antimony | Tin | Strontium | Thallium | Vanadium | Zinc |
|---|----------|----------|---------|-----------|----------|----------|----------|
| <u>Cache Creek - Jackson, WY</u> | | | | | | | |
| | Water | <0.05 | <0.025 | 0.090 | <0.1 | <0.025 | 0.021 |
| | Sediment | <7.15 | <3.580 | 25.000 | <14.3 | 18.600 | 46.100 |
| | Sediment | <7.97 | <3.990 | 32.000 | <15.9 | 20.300 | 59.300 |
| <u>Culvert/Highway 89 near Refuge</u> | | | | | | | |
| | Sediment | <8.83 | <4.420 | 63.500 | <17.7 | 41.600 | 1920.000 |
| | Sediment | <12.70 | <6.350 | 135.000 | <25.4 | 72.700 | 734.000 |
| <u>Flat Creek at Highway 89</u> | | | | | | | |
| Potamogeton | Sediment | <14.40 | <7.180 | 70.700 | <28.7 | 26.400 | 95.400 |
| Potamogeton | Sediment | <25.60 | <12.800 | 72.100 | <51.3 | 30.500 | 101.000 |
| Potamogeton | Plant | <32.30 | <16.100 | 59.400 | <64.5 | <16.100 | 84.500 |
| Potamogeton | Plant | <47.60 | <23.800 | 63.800 | <95.2 | <23.800 | 113.000 |
| <u>Jackson Fish Hatchery Outfall</u> | | | | | | | |
| | Sediment | <8.98 | <4.490 | 142.000 | <18.0 | 24.600 | 56.600 |
| | Sediment | <8.94 | <4.470 | 137.000 | <17.9 | 24.200 | 46.000 |
| | Water | <0.05 | <0.025 | 0.092 | <0.1 | <0.025 | 0.023 |
| <u>Lower Shop Pond at Refuge</u> | | | | | | | |
| | Water | <0.05 | <0.025 | 0.328 | <0.1 | <0.025 | 0.023 |
| | Sediment | <11.40 | <5.690 | 225.000 | <22.8 | 30.800 | 59.800 |
| | Sediment | <8.73 | <4.360 | 328.000 | <17.5 | 25.800 | 52.500 |
| Potamogeton | Plant | <14.70 | <7.350 | 243.000 | <29.4 | <7.350 | 33.800 |
| Potamogeton | Plant | <22.20 | <11.100 | 480.000 | <44.4 | <11.100 | 27.100 |
| <u>Aquatic Birds Collected at the National Elk Refuge</u> | | | | | | | |
| Green-winged Teal | Liver | NA | NA | <0.100 | <5.0 | <0.600 | 26.000 |
| American Coot | Liver | NA | NA | 1.100 | <5.0 | <0.600 | 109.000 |
| American Coot | Liver | NA | NA | 0.870 | <4.0 | <0.500 | 103.000 |
| Green-winged Teal | Liver | NA | NA | <0.100 | <5.0 | <0.600 | 141.000 |

Appendix B. Trace element concentrations in water, sediment and biota from the National Elk Refuge, Teton County, Wyoming (water in ug/ml, sediment and biota in ug/g dry weight)[NA=No Analysis].

| SPECIES | MATRIX | Antimony | Tin | Strontium | Thallium | Vanadium | Zinc |
|---|----------|----------|---------|-----------|----------|----------|--------|
| <u>Various Ponds Within the National Elk Refuge</u> | | | | | | | |
| Bill's Bayou | Sediment | <50.00 | <35.000 | 116.000 | NA | 39.400 | 55.300 |
| Peterson Pond | Sediment | <50.00 | <35.000 | 51.500 | NA | 39.000 | 59.400 |
| Pierres Pond | Sediment | <50.00 | <35.000 | 82.100 | NA | 27.400 | 47.300 |
| Pierres Pond/Potamogeton | Plant | <30.00 | <45.000 | 172.000 | NA | 1.440 | 13.600 |
| Romney Pond | Sediment | <50.00 | <35.000 | 108.000 | NA | 35.400 | 53.500 |
| <u>Flat Creek Wetlands at the National Elk Refuge</u> | | | | | | | |
| | Sediment | NA | NA | 48.700 | <5.0 | 16.000 | 40.000 |
| | Sediment | NA | NA | 52.100 | <5.0 | 18.000 | 50.800 |
| | Sediment | NA | NA | 93.800 | <5.0 | 16.000 | 62.500 |
| | Sediment | NA | NA | 78.500 | <5.0 | 17.000 | 54.400 |

Appendix C. Trace element concentrations in water, sediment and biota from Seedskaadee National Wildlife Refuge, Sweetwater County, Wyoming (water in ug/ml, sediment and biota in ug/g dry weight)[NA=No Analysis].

| SPECIES | MATRIX | MOISTURE | Arsenic | Mercury | Selenium | Silver | Aluminum |
|---------------------------|----------|----------|---------|---------|----------|---------|-----------|
| <u>Dunkle Site</u> | | | | | | | |
| | Water | 100.0 | 0.002 | <0.004 | <0.001 | <0.025 | <0.050 |
| | Sediment | 53.7 | 9.300 | 0.056 | 0.860 | <5.400 | 17200.000 |
| <u>Hamp Ditch # 2</u> | | | | | | | |
| | Water | 100.0 | <0.001 | <0.004 | <0.001 | <0.025 | 0.125 |
| | Sediment | 39.2 | 9.000 | <0.041 | 0.490 | <4.110 | 15800.000 |
| Potamogeton | Plant | 88.2 | 1.700 | <0.212 | <0.850 | <4.240 | 2840.000 |
| Waterboatmen | | 81.0 | <0.530 | 0.258 | 1.600 | <5.260 | 27.400 |
| <u>Hay Farm Pond 2</u> | | | | | | | |
| | Water | 100.0 | 0.009 | <0.004 | <0.001 | <0.025 | 0.055 |
| | Sediment | 52.9 | 8.100 | <0.053 | 1.900 | <5.310 | 14900.000 |
| Potamogeton | Plant | 93.9 | <1.600 | <0.410 | <1.600 | <8.200 | 592.000 |
| Potamogeton | Plant | 87.90 | 0.830 | <0.207 | <0.830 | <4.130 | 60.330 |
| Potamogeton | Plant | 89.70 | 0.970 | <0.243 | <0.970 | <4.850 | 95.150 |
| Potamogeton | Plant | 85.90 | 0.710 | 0.227 | <0.710 | <3.550 | 168.790 |
| Potamogeton | Plant | 92.50 | 1.330 | <0.333 | 2.130 | <6.670 | 252.000 |
| Amphipods | | 92.7 | <1.400 | 0.575 | <1.400 | <6.850 | 930.000 |
| <u>Pear Island Slough</u> | | | | | | | |
| | Water | 100.0 | 0.001 | <0.004 | <0.001 | <0.025 | 0.070 |
| | Sediment | 77.6 | 17.400 | <0.112 | 1.300 | <11.200 | 9030.000 |
| Potamogeton | Plant | 84.7 | 2.000 | <0.163 | 0.650 | <3.270 | 801.000 |
| <u>Pond 2</u> | | | | | | | |
| | Water | 100.0 | 0.002 | <0.004 | <0.001 | <0.025 | 0.110 |
| | Sediment | 61.7 | 15.900 | <0.065 | 0.520 | <6.530 | 10300.000 |
| Potamogeton | Plant | 90.1 | 2.000 | <0.253 | <1.000 | <5.050 | 297.000 |
| Amphipods | | 91.7 | <1.200 | <0.301 | <1.200 | <6.020 | 569.000 |

Appendix C. Trace element concentrations in water, sediment and biota from Seedskadee National Wildlife Refuge, Sweetwater County, Wyoming (water in ug/ml, sediment and biota in ug/g dry weight)[NA=No Analysis].

| SPECIES | MATRIX | MOISTURE | Arsenic | Mercury | Selenium | Silver | Aluminum |
|-----------------------|----------|----------|---------------|---------|----------|--------|----------|
| | | | <u>Pond 5</u> | | | | |
| | Water | 100.0 | <0.001 | <0.004 | <0.001 | <0.025 | <0.050 |
| | Sediment | 48.8 | 9.400 | <0.049 | 0.200 | <4.880 | 9920.000 |
| Potamogeton | Plant | 87.5 | 1.600 | <0.200 | 0.800 | <4.000 | 3330.000 |
| Aquatic Invertebrates | | 88.7 | <0.880 | 0.434 | 2.700 | <4.420 | 155.000 |

Sediment Collected from Ponds within Seedskadee NWR - 1988

| | | | | | | |
|----------|------|-------|--------|--------|--------|-----------|
| Sediment | 37.4 | 1.000 | 0.020 | 1.500 | <2.000 | 10200.000 |
| Sediment | 34.9 | 1.300 | <0.010 | 0.200 | <2.000 | 9600.000 |
| Sediment | 27.8 | 2.200 | <0.010 | <0.200 | <2.000 | 8980.000 |
| Sediment | 36.8 | 2.900 | 0.020 | 0.300 | <2.000 | 14300.000 |

American Coots Collected at Seedskadee NWR - 1988

| | | | | | | |
|-------|------|--------|-------|-------|--------|--------|
| Liver | 76.7 | <0.100 | 1.300 | 4.300 | <2.000 | <3.000 |
| Liver | 77.3 | <0.100 | 0.873 | 5.100 | <2.000 | <3.000 |
| Liver | 76.1 | 0.200 | 0.761 | 2.700 | <2.000 | <3.000 |
| Liver | 75.0 | <0.100 | 0.450 | 2.100 | <2.000 | <3.000 |
| Liver | 75.2 | 0.200 | 0.440 | 2.200 | <2.000 | <3.000 |

| SPECIES | MATRIX | Boron | Barium | Beryllium | Cadmium | Chromium | Copper |
|---------|--------|-------|--------|-----------|---------|----------|--------|
|---------|--------|-------|--------|-----------|---------|----------|--------|

Dunkle Site

| | | | | | | |
|----------|--------|---------|--------|--------|--------|--------|
| Water | 0.053 | 0.035 | <0.003 | <0.003 | <0.005 | <0.013 |
| Sediment | 43.600 | 180.000 | 1.730 | 0.760 | 27.800 | 14.800 |

Hamp Ditch # 2

| | | | | | | | |
|--------------|----------|---------|---------|--------|--------|--------|--------|
| | Water | 0.045 | 0.057 | <0.003 | <0.003 | <0.005 | <0.013 |
| | Sediment | 22.000 | 192.000 | 1.480 | 0.660 | 12.000 | 11.000 |
| Potamogeton | Plant | 127.000 | 153.000 | <0.420 | 0.680 | 9.410 | 9.060 |
| Waterboatmen | | 5.370 | 11.800 | <0.530 | <0.530 | <1.50 | 31.000 |

Appendix C. Trace element concentrations in water, sediment and biota from Seedskaadee National Wildlife Refuge, Sweetwater County, Wyoming (water in ug/ml, sediment and biota in ug/g dry weight)[NA=No Analysis].

| SPECIES | MATRIX | Boron | Barium | Beryllium | Cadmium | Chromium | Copper |
|---------------------------|----------|---------|---------|-----------|---------|----------|--------|
| <u>Hay Farm Pond 2</u> | | | | | | | |
| Potamogeton | Water | 0.623 | <0.025 | <0.003 | <0.003 | <0.005 | <0.013 |
| | Sediment | 49.400 | 188.000 | 1.700 | 0.740 | 21.500 | 16.000 |
| | Plant | 587.000 | 88.000 | <0.820 | <0.820 | 1.970 | 6.720 |
| | Plant | 417.360 | 74.050 | <0.410 | <0.410 | 0.910 | 5.950 |
| | Plant | 739.810 | 81.260 | <0.490 | <0.490 | 1.460 | 6.800 |
| | Plant | 42.130 | 82.980 | <0.350 | <0.350 | 0.850 | 4.180 |
| Potamogeton | Plant | 62.270 | 145.330 | <0.670 | <0.670 | 2.670 | 5.600 |
| Amphipods | | 7.950 | 90.400 | <0.680 | <0.680 | 5.210 | 17.700 |
| <u>Pear Island Slough</u> | | | | | | | |
| Potamogeton | Water | 0.177 | 0.059 | <0.003 | <0.003 | <0.005 | <0.013 |
| | Sediment | 74.800 | 232.000 | 1.120 | 3.350 | 16.500 | 12.500 |
| | Plant | 13.600 | 367.000 | <0.330 | 0.460 | 1.500 | 4.900 |
| <u>Pond 2</u> | | | | | | | |
| Potamogeton | Water | 0.082 | 0.063 | <0.003 | <0.003 | <0.005 | <0.013 |
| | Sediment | 16.200 | 134.000 | 1.310 | 3.130 | 16.800 | 9.920 |
| | Plant | 87.400 | 92.900 | <0.510 | <0.510 | 1.010 | 3.140 |
| Amphipods | | 10.000 | 81.700 | <0.600 | <0.600 | 3.370 | 16.100 |
| <u>Pond 5</u> | | | | | | | |
| Potamogeton | Water | 0.053 | 0.053 | <0.003 | <0.003 | <0.005 | <0.013 |
| | Sediment | 12.200 | 117.000 | 1.170 | 0.590 | 16.000 | 8.200 |
| | Plant | 15.300 | 189.000 | <0.400 | 1.200 | 7.280 | 8.400 |
| Aquatic Invertebrates | | <4.420 | 16.100 | <0.440 | <0.440 | 1.150 | 23.100 |

Appendix C. Trace element concentrations in water, sediment and biota from Seedskadee National Wildlife Refuge, Sweetwater County, Wyoming (water in ug/ml, sediment and biota in ug/g dry weight)[NA=No Analysis].

| SPECIES | MATRIX | Boron | Barium | Beryllium | Cadmium | Chromium | Copper |
|--|----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|------------|----------|---------|
| <u>Sediment Collected from Ponds at Seedskadee NWR</u> | | | | | | | |
| | Sediment | 8.400 | 158.000 | 0.470 | 0.400 | 16.000 | 13.000 |
| | Sediment | 6.000 | 175.000 | 0.440 | <0.300 | 17.000 | 30.200 |
| | Sediment | 7.600 | 172.000 | 0.440 | <0.300 | 16.000 | 9.900 |
| | Sediment | 10.000 | 190.000 | 0.730 | 0.400 | 22.000 | 12.000 |
| <u>American Coots Collected at Seedskadee NWR</u> | | | | | | | |
| | Liver | <2.000 | 0.200 | <0.100 | <0.300 | <1.000 | 124.000 |
| | Liver | <3.000 | 0.200 | <0.100 | <0.300 | <1.000 | 62.600 |
| | Liver | <3.000 | 0.300 | <0.100 | <0.300 | 1.000 | 112.000 |
| | Liver | <2.000 | 0.200 | <0.100 | <0.300 | 1.000 | 10.000 |
| | Liver | <2.000 | 0.200 | <0.100 | <0.300 | 2.000 | 135.000 |
| SPECIES | MATRIX | Iron | Magnesium | Manganese | Molybdenum | Nickel | Lead |
| <u>Dunkle Site</u> | | | | | | | |
| | Water | <0.050 | 15.0 | <0.006 | <0.025 | <0.02 | <0.015 |
| | Sediment | 17400.000 | 12200.0 | 322.000 | <5.400 | 16.00 | 7.340 |
| <u>Hamp Ditch # 2</u> | | | | | | | |
| | Water | 0.060 | 13.8 | 0.013 | <0.025 | <0.02 | <0.015 |
| | Sediment | 14900.000 | 11200.0 | 455.000 | <4.110 | 14.10 | 5.180 |
| Potamogeton | Plant | 4200.000 | 8010.0 | 541.000 | <4.240 | 5.59 | <2.540 |
| Waterboatmen | | 154.00 | 979.0 | 26.100 | <5.260 | <4.21 | <3.160 |
| <u>Hay Farm Pond 2</u> | | | | | | | |
| | Water | 0.095 | 33.5 | 0.035 | 0.072 | <0.02 | <0.015 |
| | Sediment | 13800.000 | 13000.0 | 1040.000 | <5.310 | 12.00 | 5.940 |
| Potamogeton | Plant | 597.000 | 10800.0 | 865.000 | <8.200 | <6.56 | <4.920 |
| Potamogeton | Plant | 202.480 | 5008.26 | 672.730 | <4.130 | <3.31 | <2.480 |
| Potamogeton | Plant | 290.290 | 6213.59 | 715.530 | <4.850 | <3.88 | <2.910 |
| Potamogeton | Plant | 360.280 | 2815.60 | 843.970 | <3.550 | <2.84 | 2.770 |
| Potamogeton | Plant | 489.330 | 5133.33 | 1773.330 | <6.670 | <5.33 | 5.870 |
| Amphipods | | 1300.000 | 2100.0 | 582.000 | <6.850 | <5.48 | <4.110 |

Appendix C. Trace element concentrations in water, sediment and biota from Seedskaadee National Wildlife Refuge, Sweetwater County, Wyoming (water in ug/ml, sediment and biota in ug/g dry weight)[NA=No Analysis].

| SPECIES | MATRIX | Iron | Magnesium | Manganese | Molybdenum | Nickel | Lead |
|---|----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|------------|----------|--------|
| <u>Pear Island Slough</u> | | | | | | | |
| Potamogeton | Water | <0.050 | 21.5 | 0.048 | <0.025 | <0.02 | <0.015 |
| | Sediment | 10400.000 | 7370.0 | 609.000 | <11.200 | 8.93 | <6.700 |
| | Plant | 1300.000 | 6410.0 | 3710.000 | <3.270 | <2.61 | <1.960 |
| <u>Pond 2</u> | | | | | | | |
| Potamogeton | Water | 0.070 | 18.7 | 0.096 | <0.025 | <0.02 | <0.015 |
| | Sediment | 11600.000 | 7910.0 | 390.000 | <6.530 | 9.01 | <3.920 |
| | Plant | 526.000 | 3710.0 | 755.000 | <5.050 | <4.04 | <3.030 |
| Amphipods | | 880.000 | 1830.0 | 484.000 | <6.020 | <4.82 | <3.610 |
| <u>Pond 5</u> | | | | | | | |
| Potamogeton | Water | 0.050 | 14.0 | 0.010 | <0.025 | <0.02 | <0.015 |
| | Sediment | 10400.000 | 6380.0 | 219.000 | <4.480 | 8.50 | <2.930 |
| | Plant | 5090.000 | 7140.0 | 662.000 | <4.000 | 6.00 | <2.400 |
| Aquatic Invertebrates | | 371.000 | 1580.0 | 90.700 | <4.420 | <3.54 | <2.650 |
| <u>Sediment Collected from Ponds at Seedskaadee NWR</u> | | | | | | | |
| | Sediment | 10100.000 | 7750.0 | 463.000 | 3.000 | 8.00 | 9.000 |
| | Sediment | 9730.000 | 8890.0 | 261.000 | <2.000 | 8.80 | 9.000 |
| | Sediment | 10100.000 | 13600.0 | 298.000 | <2.000 | 10.00 | 7.000 |
| | Sediment | 14800.000 | 17500.0 | 547.000 | <2.000 | 14.00 | 10.000 |
| <u>American Coots Collected at Seedskaadee NWR</u> | | | | | | | |
| | Liver | 159.000 | 833.0 | 10.000 | 3.000 | <2.00 | <4.000 |
| | Liver | 285.000 | 810.0 | 10.000 | 2.000 | <2.00 | <4.000 |
| | Liver | 1400.000 | 835.0 | 13.000 | 3.500 | <2.00 | <4.000 |
| | Liver | 616.000 | 668.0 | 15.000 | 2.000 | <2.00 | <4.000 |
| | Liver | 1310.000 | 754.0 | 21.000 | 3.600 | <2.00 | <4.000 |
| SPECIES | MATRIX | Antimony | Tin | Strontium | Thallium | Vanadium | Zinc |
| <u>Dunkle Site</u> | | | | | | | |
| | Water | <0.05 | <0.025 | 0.284 | <0.1 | <0.025 | 0.022 |
| | Sediment | <10.80 | <5.400 | 107.000 | <21.6 | 38.300 | 61.200 |

Appendix C. Trace element concentrations in water, sediment and biota from Seedskadee National Wildlife Refuge Sweetwater County, Wyoming (water in ug/ml, sediment and biota in ug/g dry weight)[NA=No Analysis].

| SPECIES | MATRIX | Antimony | Tin | Strontium | Thallium | Vanadium | Zinc |
|--------------------------------------|----------|----------|---------|-----------|----------|----------|---------|
| <u>Hamp Ditch # 2</u> | | | | | | | |
| Potamogeton Waterboatmen | Water | <0.05 | <0.025 | 0.339 | <0.1 | <0.025 | 0.028 |
| | Sediment | <8.22 | <4.110 | 110.000 | <16.4 | 35.000 | 44.200 |
| | Plant | <8.47 | <4.240 | 298.000 | <16.9 | 7.200 | 91.400 |
| | | <10.50 | <5.260 | 8.630 | <21.1 | <5.260 | 155.000 |
| <u>Hay Farm Pond 2</u> | | | | | | | |
| Potamogeton | Water | <0.05 | <0.025 | 0.433 | <0.10 | <0.025 | 0.023 |
| | Sediment | <10.00 | <5.310 | 450.000 | <21.20 | 31.600 | 52.400 |
| | Plant | <16.40 | <8.200 | 282.000 | <32.80 | <8.200 | 54.100 |
| | Plant | <8.26 | 12.310 | 221.490 | <16.53 | <4.130 | 14.050 |
| Potamogeton | Plant | <9.71 | 15.530 | 243.690 | <19.42 | <4.850 | 17.670 |
| Potamogeton | Plant | <7.09 | 7.160 | 250.350 | <14.18 | <3.550 | 9.080 |
| Potamogeton | Plant | <13.33 | <6.670 | 365.330 | <26.67 | <6.670 | 16.130 |
| Amphipods | | <13.70 | <6.850 | 221.000 | <27.40 | <6.850 | 119.000 |
| <u>Pear Island Slough</u> | | | | | | | |
| Potamogeton | Water | <0.05 | <0.025 | 0.475 | <0.1 | <0.025 | 0.022 |
| | Sediment | <22.30 | <11.200 | 193.000 | <44.6 | 20.300 | 36.200 |
| | Plant | <6.54 | <3.270 | 1750.000 | <13.1 | 3.920 | 33.300 |
| <u>Pond 2</u> | | | | | | | |
| Potamogeton Amphipods | Water | <0.05 | <0.025 | 0.412 | <0.1 | <0.025 | 0.028 |
| | Sediment | <13.10 | <6.530 | 186.000 | <26.1 | 25.700 | 39.000 |
| | Plant | <10.10 | <5.050 | 264.000 | <20.2 | <5.050 | 29.500 |
| | | <12.00 | <6.020 | 168.000 | <24.1 | <6.020 | 118.000 |
| <u>Pond 5</u> | | | | | | | |
| Potamogeton Aquatic Invertebrates | Water | <0.05 | <0.025 | 0.346 | <0.1 | <0.025 | 0.027 |
| | Sediment | <9.77 | <4.880 | 106.000 | <19.5 | 24.200 | 33.900 |
| | Plant | <8.00 | <4.000 | 439.000 | <16.0 | 9.040 | 45.400 |
| | | <8.85 | <4.420 | 31.500 | <17.7 | <4.420 | 133.000 |

Appendix C. Trace element concentrations in water, sediment and biota from Seedskadee National Wildlife Refuge, Sweetwater County, Wyoming (water in ug/ml, sediment and biota in ug/g dry weight)[NA=No Analysis].

| SPECIES | MATRIX | Antimony | Tin | Strontium | Thallium | Vanadium | Zinc |
|--|----------|----------|-----|-----------|----------|----------|---------|
| <u>Sediment Collected from Ponds at Seedskadee NWR</u> | | | | | | | |
| | Sediment | NA | NA | 310.000 | <5.0 | 15.000 | 35.000 |
| | Sediment | NA | NA | 126.000 | <5.0 | 17.000 | 27.000 |
| | Sediment | NA | NA | 149.000 | <5.0 | 16.000 | 27.000 |
| | Sediment | NA | NA | 156.000 | <5.0 | 23.000 | 48.700 |
| <u>American Coots Collected at Seedskadee NWR</u> | | | | | | | |
| | Liver | NA | NA | 0.750 | <5.0 | <0.600 | 122.000 |
| | Liver | NA | NA | 0.780 | <5.0 | <0.600 | 124.000 |
| | Liver | NA | NA | 0.780 | <5.0 | <0.600 | 153.000 |
| | Liver | NA | NA | 0.530 | <5.0 | <0.600 | 109.000 |
| | Liver | NA | NA | 0.300 | <5.0 | <0.600 | 168.000 |