

FIBI095-R3r

Passaic River

Hardscrabble Road

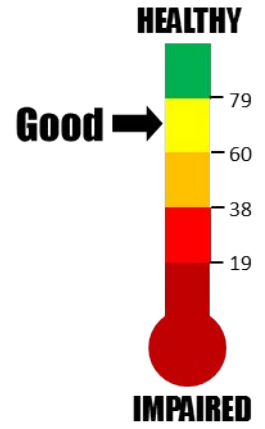
Municipality: Harding Twp

County: Morris

Drainage Area (sq miles): 7.8

Sample Date: 07/18/2014

Site Type: Sentinel



IBI Metrics

Metric 1-%Rheophilic Richness	83.88
Metric 2-%Cold Non-tolerant Coolwater	95.49
Metric 3-%Generalist Richness	47.27
Metric 4-Tolerance Index	100.00
Metric 5-%Lithophilic Richness	65.86
Metric 6-%Cyprinidae	66.86
Metric 7-%Dominant 3 Taxa	81.84
Metric 8-%Benthic Insectivore Richness	48.16

Field Chemistry

Air Temp (°C)	23.8
Water Temperature (°C)	18.91
Dissolved Oxygen (mg/L)	9.2
% Saturation	98.3
pH	7.42
Conductivity (µS/cm)	209.3

Northern Fish IBI Score (0-100): 73.67

IBI Rating: Good

High Gradient Habitat Score (0-200): 172

Habitat Rating: Optimal

Summary: FIBI095 is a sentinel site sampled on a frequent basis to assess environmental change and natural variability in the fish community. 2014 was the first year since the site was first sampled in 2004 in which wild brown trout outnumbered wild rainbow trout. This change in dominance could be an indication of warmer water temperatures in the upper Passaic River, as brown trout tolerate higher temperatures. The 2014 score was one of the lowest scores for this site, but in general IBI scores have fluctuated slightly over the years.

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Common Name	Scientific Name	Abundance
Blacknose Dace	<i>Rhinichthys atratulus</i>	138
Brown Trout	<i>Salmo trutta</i>	49
Longnose Dace	<i>Rhinichthys cataractae</i>	46
Rainbow Trout	<i>Oncorhynchus mykiss</i>	30
Creek Chub	<i>Semotilus atromaculatus</i>	16
Tessellated Darter	<i>Etheostoma olmstedii</i>	10
Largemouth Bass	<i>Micropterus salmoides</i>	7
White Sucker	<i>Catostomus commersoni</i>	7
Pumpkinseed	<i>Lepomis gibbosus</i>	3
Bluegill	<i>Lepomis macrochirus</i>	2
Redbreast Sunfish	<i>Lepomis auritus</i>	1