



Environmental Monitoring and Reporting Canning River Estuary ~ Weekly profile

by Water Science Branch, Department of Water

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<u>Weather & tide conditions:</u> Conditions were fine with 0% cloud cover and no wind. The tide was flowing for the duration of the sampling period. Perth recorded 0 mm of rainfall during the week prior to the morning of sampling (Bureau of Meteorology).

<u>Oxygenation:</u> The Nicholson Road and Bacon Street oxygenation plants were operational the week prior to sampling.

<u>Canning Estuary (downstream of Kent St Weir):</u> The Canning Estuary was saline at all sites with the exception of brackish water at RIV. Water was well oxygenated to oxygenated at all sites. Water temperature ranged from 24.3 to 28.2 ° C.

<u>Lower Canning River (upstream of Kent St Weir)</u>: The Lower Canning River was fresh throughout all sites. Water was well oxygenated to oxygenated at all sites, with the exception of low oxygen bottom water at ELL and low oxygen to hypoxic bottom water at KS7, BAC and KENU300. Water temperature ranged from 22.3 to 26.2 ° C.

Definitions:

<u>Salinity</u> – fresh <5ppt, brackish 5-25ppt, saline 25-35ppt, hypersaline >35ppt

<u>Dissolved oxygen</u> – well oxygenated >6 mg/L oxygenated >4 to 6 mg/L, low oxygen >2 to 4 mg/L, hypoxic >0.5 to 2.0 mg/L, near anoxic <0.5 mg/L

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