# Ecological state of the lake during restoration measures using 

 macroinvertebrates.

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## 1. Introduction

The lakes in the Pałuki region in western Poland are facing the consequences of various human activities. Changes in land use and increasing leisure activity are continuous threats to the ecosystem. Eutrophication decreases the water quality by changing the content of oxygen and nutrients. Furthermore, toxic chemicals and habitat changes affect the species composition in lakes. In the end, a degraded ecosystem will also affect the economic and social use of the lake and will reduce the benefits humans obtain from nature. Hence, regular monitoring is of high importance.

Assessing the status of a lake, macroinvertebrates can serve as biological indicators. According to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA, 2012) and Muralidharan et al. (2010), macroinvertebrates can be used as indicators because of the following characteristics:

- They live in water for all or most of their life.
- They stay in areas suitable for their survival.
- They are easy to collect.
- They differ in their tolerance to amount and types of pollution.
- They are easy to identify in a laboratory.
- They often live for more than one year.
- They have limited mobility.
- They are integrators of environmental condition.
- They can recover rapidly.
- There is a high variety of species.

The Water Framework Directive (WFD, 2000) determines the goals for the protection of aquatic ecosystems in Europe. Within this framework, macroinvertebrates function as one aspect to classify a lake. According to the WFD, lakes can be distinguished into different status': high status, good status and moderate status. Lakes of high status are close to pristine conditions and are inhabited by disturbance-sensitive species. In contrast, lakes of moderate status show species indicating pollution. Disturbance-sensitive species are missing. Lakes of good status provide habitats for most sensitive species.

The aim of the study is to investigate the current ecological status of Lake Durowskie referring to different species of macroinvertebrates and their abundance. Hence, different sampling sites are compared with each other. Due to studies carried out in previous years, a comparison of the results to detect a long term trend is possible. This study seeks to give recommendation for the improvement of the ongoing lake management.

## 2. Methodology

## Fig. 1. Sites of sampling



- We took samples from 14 sites along the lake from $2^{\text {nd }}$ to $7^{\text {th }}$ of July, 2012. The 14 sampling of the lakes were assigned to 6 different categories:

1. Pelagial : 4 sampling sites
2. Aerator I \& II zones: 1 sampling sites each
3. Littoral (forest): 5 sampling sites
4. Littoral (urban): 3 sampling sites
5. Steps of taking samples and investigating
a. Fieldwork:

- Collecting samples from deeper parts of the lake using Kajak sampler:

10 samples were taken at each site

- Collecting samples from shallow water using Czapla sampler

Czapla sampler was used to take samples near the littoral sites with the depth not bigger than 2 m . 17 samples were taken from littoral zones.

- Washing samples: using a sieve

Samples from different sites were washed separately and stored in different plastic boxes filled with water.
b. Lab analysis:

- Sorting out microinvertebrates:

Microinvertebrates were taken out from samples by tweezers

- Identifying species:

The macroinvertebrates were identified to the species level using the key (Jan Igor Rybak, 2000; Adrzej Kołodziejczyk and Paweł Koperski, 2000; Chiriac and Udrescu, 1965)

- Calculating: number of individuals and biomass

Number of individuals was multiplied by 23 in order to find the density per square meter
Biomass was multiplied by 23 in order to find total biomass of each species per square meter
c. Data analysis:

The Shannon-Wiener Index, Eveness and diversity indices were used to measure diversity for macroinvertebrates according to Shaw (2003). The Shannon-Wiener Index is calculated from the abundances of each species (abundance of the species/total abundances)
$H^{\prime}=-\sum_{i=1}^{s} p_{i} \ln p_{i}$

Where S is the total number of species and $\mathrm{p}_{i}$ is the frequency of the $i$ th species (the probability that any given individual belongs to the species, hence $p$ ).

Equitability (E) or eveness index is calculated as:

$$
E=\frac{H^{\prime}}{H_{\operatorname{mxx}}}=\frac{-\sum p_{i} \times \log (p)}{\log (S)}
$$

where E is equitability (Eveness) and S is the number of species or lower taxonomic level used.

Margalef Index - a measure of species diversity
It is calculated from the total number of species present and the abundance or total number of individuals. The higher the index the greater the diversity

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Da= (S-1)/log to base e N
where
    Da= Margalef Index
    S= the number of species
    N= the total number of individuals
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The EPT Index is named for three orders of aquatic insects that are common in the benthic macroinvertebrate community: Ephemeroptera (mayflies), Plecoptera (stoneflies) and Trichoptera(caddisflies).

The EPT Index is based on the premise that high-quality streams usually have the greatest species richness. Many aquatic insect species are intolerant of pollutants and will not be found in polluted waters. The greater the pollution, the lower the species richness expected, as only a few species are pollutant tolerant.

Ratio of EPT and Chironomidae: The EPT/Chironomidae Index is calculated by dividing the sum of the total number of individuals classified as Ephemeoptera, Plecoptera, and Trichoptera by the total number of individuals classified as Chironomidae.

The biological monitoring working party (BMWP) is a procedure for measuring water quality using species of macroinvertebrates as biological indicators.

The method is based on the principle that different aquatic invertebrates have different tolerances to pollutants

Table 1. The five classes of water quality according to BMWP score and diversity index

| Class | BMWP score | Range | Diversity Index |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| I | $>100$ | 1 | $>5,5$ |
| II | $70-99$ | 2 | $4,0-5,4$ |
| III | $40-69$ | 3 | $2,5-3,9$ |
| IV | $10-39$ | 4 | $1-2,4$ |
| V | $<10$ | 5 | $<1$ |

A numerical value has been attributed to each taxon based on its tolerance to organic pollution, one being tolerant and ten being intolerant. The BMWP score for a site is the sum of the values for each taxon present in a sample. The score is based on the presence of each taxon, regardless of the number of representatives of the taxon in the sample. The values assigned for each family are given in Annex 1.

The WFD classification scheme for water quality includes five status classes: high, good, moderate, poor and bad.
'High status' is defined as the biological, chemical and morphological conditions associated with no or very low human pressure. This is also called the 'reference condition' as it is the best status achievable - the benchmark. These reference conditions are type-specific, so they are different for different types of rivers, lakes or coastal waters so as to take into account the broad diversity of ecological regions in Europe.

Table 2. The ecological status according to the water framework directive classification

| Ecological Status | Class |
| :---: | :---: |
| Very Good | I |
| Good | II |
| Moderate | III |
| Poor | IV |
| Bad | V |

## Simpson Index

Simpson's diversity index (also known as species diversity index) is one of a number of diversity indices, used to measure diversity. In ecology, it is often used to quantify the biodiversity of a habitat. It takes into account the number of species present, as well as the relative abundance of each species. The Simpson index represents the probability that two randomly selected individuals in the habitat will not belong to the same species. The simplicity of Simpson's Diversity Index has led it to be used frequently.

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D=\frac{\sum_{i=1}^{S} n_{i}\left(n_{i}-1\right)}{N(N-1)}
$$

Where $\mathrm{n}_{\mathrm{i}}$ is the number of individuals of species $i$ which are counted, and N is the total number of all individuals counted. The value of $\mathbf{D}$ ranges between 0 and 1 . With this index, 0 represents infinite diversity and 1 , no diversity. That is, the bigger the value of D , the lower the

## 3. Results and discussion

In 2012, species of the following classes and orders were found: Nematoda, Oligochaeta, Hirudinea, Gastropoda, Bivalvia, Isopoda, Megaloptera, Ephemeroptera, Trichoptera, Diptera and Hydracarina (Table 3)

Table 3. Frequence of macroinvertebrates community in Durowskie lake from July 2-

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| Taxon | S |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 | 13 | 14 |
| Nematoda |  |  | + |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Oligochaeta |  |  |  | + | + |  |  |  |  |  | + | + |  |  |
| Hirudinea: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Erpobdella octooculata (L.) |  |  | + |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | + |  |  |  |
| Glossiphonia complanata (L.) |  | + |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Helobdella stagnalis (L.) |  |  | + |  |  |  |  | + |  |  |  | + |  |  |
| Hemiclepsis marginata (O.F. Müller) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | + |  |  |  |
| Piscicola geometra (L.) |  | + |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | + |  |  |  |
| Gastropoda: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Anisus spirorbis (L.) | $+$ | + |  |  |  |  | + | + |  |  | + | + | + |  |
| Bitynia tentaculata (L.) |  |  |  |  |  |  | + | + |  |  | + | + |  |  |
| Potamopyrgus antipodarum (E.A. Smith) | + | + |  | + |  |  |  | + |  |  |  | + | + |  |
| Theodoxus fluviatilis (L.) |  |  |  |  |  |  | + |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Valvata piscinalis (O.F. Müller) |  |  |  | + |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Viviparus contectus (Millet) |  |  |  | + |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Bivalvia: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Anodonta anatina (L.) |  |  |  | + |  |  | + | + |  |  | + |  |  |  |
| Anodonta cygnea (L.) |  | + |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Dreissena polymorpha (Pallas) | $+$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Unio pictorum (L.) |  | + |  | + |  |  |  | + |  |  | + | + | + |  |
| Unio tumidus (L.) |  |  |  | + |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Isopoda: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Asselus aquaticus (L.) |  |  |  | $+$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Megaloptera: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Sialis fuliginosa Pictet |  | + |  | $+$ |  |  | + | + |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Ephemeroptera: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Caenis sp. | $+$ |  |  | + |  |  | + | + |  |  |  | + | + |  |
| Trichoptera |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Trichoptera sp. | + | + |  | $+$ |  |  | + |  |  |  | + |  |  |  |
| Mollana sp. |  | + |  |  |  |  | + | + |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Diptera: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Ceratopogonidae |  |  |  |  |  |  | + |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Chaoborus flavicans (Meig.) |  |  |  |  |  | + |  |  |  | + |  |  |  | + |
| Chironomidae Larvae | + | + |  | + |  |  | + | + |  |  |  | + | + |  |
| Chironomidae Pupae |  |  |  | + |  |  | + |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Hydracarina |  |  |  |  |  |  | + |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |

Number of macroinvertebrates collected from the sampling stations in Lake Durowskie is presented in table 4, and their biomass in table 5.

Table 4. Number of macroinvertebrates collected from the sampling stations in Lake Durowskie ( $\mathbf{1} \mathbf{m}^{2}$ )

|  |  | S |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| N | Taxon: | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 | 13 | 14 |
| 1 | Nematoda |  |  | 115 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 2 | Oligochaeta |  |  | 92 | 23 | 23 |  |  |  |  |  | 23 | 230 |  |  |
|  | Hirudinea: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 3 | Erpobdella octooculata (L.) |  |  | 23 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 23 |  |  |  |
| 4 | Glossiphonia complanata (L.) |  | 23 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 5 | Helobdella stagnalis (L.) |  |  | 46 |  |  |  |  | 23 |  |  |  | 23 |  |  |
| 6 | Hemiclepsis marginata (O.F. Müller) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 23 |  |  |  |
| 7 | Piscicola geometra (L.) |  | 23 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 23 |  |  |  |
|  | Gastropoda: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 8 | Anisus spirorbis (L.) | 92 | 46 |  |  |  |  | 23 | 184 |  |  | 92 | 115 | 943 |  |
| 9 | Bitynia tentaculata (L.) |  |  |  |  |  |  | 23 | 207 |  |  | 92 | 92 |  |  |
| 10 | Potamopyrgus antipodarum (E.A. Smith) | 69 | 115 |  | 437 |  |  |  | 23 |  |  |  | 23 | 46 |  |
| 11 | Theodoxus fluviatilis (L.) |  |  |  |  |  |  | 23 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 12 | Valvata piscinalis (O.F. Müller) |  |  |  | 23 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 13 | Viviparus contectus (Millet) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | Bivalvia: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 14 | Anodonta anatina (L.) |  |  |  | 23 |  |  | 92 | 23 |  |  | 23 |  |  |  |
| 15 | Anodonta cygnea (L.) |  | 23 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 16 | Dreissena polymorpha (Pallas) | 23 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 17 | Unio pictorum (L.) |  | 23 |  | 46 |  |  |  | 69 |  |  | 69 | 69 | 46 |  |
| 18 | Unio tumidus (L.) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | Isopoda: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 19 | Asselus aquaticus (L.) |  |  |  | 69 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | Megaloptera: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 20 | Sialis fuliginosa Pictet |  | 23 |  | 23 |  |  | 23 | 23 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | Ephemeroptera: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 21 | Caenis sp. | 23 |  |  | 46 |  |  | 92 | 46 |  |  |  | 23 | 23 |  |
|  | Trichoptera |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 22 | Trichoptera sp. | 276 | 46 |  | 164 |  |  | 92 |  |  |  | 46 |  |  |  |
| 23 | Mollana sp. |  | 69 |  |  |  |  | 69 | 161 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | Diptera: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 24 | Ceratopogonidae |  |  |  |  |  |  | 23 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 25 | Chaoborus flavicans (Meig.) |  |  |  |  |  | 138 |  |  |  | 1380 |  |  |  | 138 |
| 26 | Chironomidae larvae | 2530 | 1127 |  | 2346 |  |  | 1794 | 437 |  |  |  | 1035 | 3059 |  |
| 27 | Chironomidae pupae |  |  |  | 115 |  |  | 92 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 28 | Hydracarina |  |  |  |  |  |  | 115 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Total |  | 3013 | 1518 | 276 | 3315 | 23 | 138 | 2461 | 1196 | 0 | 1380 | 414 | 1610 | 4117 | 138 |

Table 5. Biomass of macroinvertebrates calculated for the sampling stations in lake Durowskie ( $\mathbf{m g} / \mathbf{m}^{\mathbf{2}}$ )

|  | S |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Taxon | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 | 13 | 14 |
| Nematoda |  |  | 230 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Oligochaeta |  |  |  | 322 | 46 |  |  |  |  |  | 23 | 207 |  |  |
| Hirudinea: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Erpobdella octooculata (L.) |  |  | 2116 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 2277 |  |  |  |
| Glossiphonia complanata (L.) |  | 368 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Helobdella stagnalis (L.) |  |  | 184 |  |  |  |  | 115 |  |  |  | 299 |  |  |
| Hemiclepsis marginata (O.F. Müller) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 115 |  |  |  |
| Piscicola geometra (L.) |  | 23 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 46 |  |  |  |
| Gastropoda: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Anisus spirorbis (L.) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 399 |  |  |  |
| Bitynia tentaculata (L.) | 5428 | 1955 |  |  |  |  | 115 | 1840 |  |  | 690 | 1186 | 9200 |  |
| Potamopyrgus antipodarum (E.A. Smith) |  |  |  |  |  |  | 138 | 1081 |  |  | 368 | 598 |  |  |
| Theodoxus fluviatilis (L.) | 9164 | 14421 |  | 57592 |  |  |  | 552 |  |  |  | 690 | 6118 |  |
| Valvata piscinalis (O.F. Müller) |  |  |  |  |  |  | 1012 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Viviparus contectus (Millet) |  |  |  | 19642 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Bivalvia: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Anodonta anatina (L.) |  |  |  | 236440 |  |  | 235727 | 180550 |  |  | 193200 |  |  |  |
| Anodonta cygnea (L.) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 77050 |  |  | 76590 |  |  |  |
| Dreissena polymorpha (Pallas) |  | 506 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Unio pictorum (L.) | 2507 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Unio tumidus (L.) |  | 117070 |  | 171810 |  |  |  | 133860 |  |  | 135700 | 105984 | 280600 |  |
| Isopoda: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Asselus aquaticus (L.) |  |  |  | 207 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Megaloptera: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Sialis fuliginosa Pictet |  | 230 |  | 874 |  |  | 759 | 207 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Ephemeroptera: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Caenis sp. | 46 |  |  | 69 |  |  | 161 | 69 |  |  |  | 69 | 69 |  |
| Trichoptera |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Trichoptera sp. | 16997 | 345 |  | 2783 |  |  | 437 |  |  |  | 138 |  |  |  |
| Mollana sp. |  | 638 |  |  |  |  | 5152 | 6348 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Diptera: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Ceratopogonidae |  |  |  |  |  |  | 23 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Chaoborus flavicans (Meig.) |  |  |  |  |  | 736 |  |  |  | 5405 |  |  |  | 506 |
| Chironomidae larvae | 1058 | 7567 |  | 16997 |  |  | 10304 | 3703 |  |  |  | 2898 | 7061 |  |
| Chironomidae pupae |  |  |  | 1265 |  |  | 805 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Hydracarina |  |  |  |  |  |  | 414 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Total | 35200 | 143123 | 2530 | 508001 | 46 | 736 | 255047 | 405375 | 0 | 5405 | 409546 | 111931 | 303048 | 506 |

Fig. 2. Total number of species and individuals identified in 2009, 2010, 2011 and 2012 sampling season in Lake Durowskie


In the study of macroinvertebrates from Lake Durowskie in July 2011 a total of 26 taxa were identified from the all the 14 stations and except the taxa of Nematoda, Oligochaeta, Trichoptera, Chironomidae and Hydracarina all remaining taxa were identified to the species level.
According to the map (Fig. 2) we can see higher richness in species diversity between 2012 and the other three years in the sampling zones number $8,1,3,5,14,7$. In zones number 10 , $4,13,12,9$ the diversity richness is lower.

Table 6. Indices and BMWP score of sampling sites of Lake Durowskie (1m²)

| Indices | Year | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 | 13 | 14 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Simpson index | 2010 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
|  | 2011 | 0,4758 | 0,2830 | 0,6772 | 0,2714 | 1,0000 | 0,3170 | 0,1855 | 0,2453 | 0,4174 | 0,8669 | 0,2630 | 0,4021 | 0,4859 | 1,0000 |
|  | 2012 | 0,7150 | 0,5617 | 0,3170 | 0,5227 | 1,0000 | 1,0000 | 0,5402 | 0,2109 | 0,0000 | 1,0000 | 0,1523 | 0,4441 | 0,6047 | 1,0000 |
| Shannon | 2010 | 0,3400 | 0,7200 | 0,0000 | 0,7100 | 0,0000 | 0,0000 | 0,4500 | 0,5200 | 0,4500 | 0,0000 | 0,5900 | 0,2500 | 0,2500 | 0,0000 |
|  | 2011 | 0,8866 | 1,7280 | 0,5004 | 1,8359 | 0,0000 | 1,2367 | 1,9519 | 1,6861 | 0,9526 | 0,2573 | 1,4328 | 1,2291 | 0,9217 | 0,0000 |
|  | 2012 | 0,6331 | 1,0215 | 0,8705 | 1,8936 | 0,0000 | 0,0000 | 1,1836 | 1,8232 | 0,0000 | 0,0000 | 2,0165 | 1,2312 | 0,6877 | 0,0000 |
| Species evennes | 2010 | 0,5600 | 0,8600 | 0,0000 | 0,6600 | 0,0000 | 0,0000 | 0,9500 | 0,8600 | 0,7500 | 0,0000 | 0,7600 | 0,4100 | 0,3200 | 0,0000 |
|  | 2011 | 0,5509 | 0,7206 | 0,7219 | 0,7157 | 0,0000 | 0,8921 | 0,8477 | 0,7323 | 0,8671 | 0,3712 | 0,8902 | 0,4792 | 0,5144 | 0,0000 |
|  | 2012 | 0,3533 | 0,4436 | 0,7923 | 0,4647 | 0,0000 | 0,0000 | 0,4763 | 0,7918 | 0,0000 | 0,0000 | 0,9178 | 0,5921 | 0,4273 | 0,0000 |
| Margalef | 2010 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
|  | 2011 | 0,6045 | 1,4608 | 0,4215 | 1,7128 | 0,2212 | 0,7117 | 1,5378 | 1,3517 | 0,4665 | 0,3463 | 0,8659 | 1,5250 | 0,6861 | 0,2212 |
|  | 2012 | 0,6242 | 1,2286 | 0,3835 | 1,2336 | 0,0000 | 0,0000 | 1,4088 | 1,2700 | 0,0000 | 0,0000 | 1,3276 | 0,9480 | 0,4806 | 0,0000 |
| EPT \% | 2010 | 0,0000 | 6,2500 | 0,0000 | 12,0879 | 0,0000 | 0,0000 | 0,0000 | 10,0000 | 0,0000 | 0,0000 | 25,0000 | 0,0000 | 1,6666 | 0,0000 |
|  | 2011 | 0,0000 | 3,7037 | 0,0000 | 6,9767 | 0,0000 | 0,0000 | 13,7931 | 2,8169 | 0,0000 | 0,0000 | 28,5714 | 2,7397 | 2,5641 | 0,0000 |
|  | 2012 | 9,9240 | 7,5760 | 0,0000 | 6,3350 | 0,0000 | 0,0000 | 1,4090 | 1,2700 | 0,0000 | 0,0000 | 1,3280 | 1,4290 | 0,5590 | 0,0000 |
| EPT Chironomidae | 2010 | 0,0000 | 0,1700 | 0,0000 | 0,2200 | 0,0000 | 0,0000 | 0,0000 | 0,2500 | 0,0000 | 0,0000 | 0,5000 | 0,0000 | 0,0200 | 0,0000 |
|  | 2011 | 0,0000 | 0,0040 | 0,0000 | 0,0072 | 0,0000 | 0,0000 | 0,0600 | 0,0045 | 0,0000 | 0,0000 | 0,2484 | 0,0010 | 0,0013 | 0,0000 |
|  | 2012 | 0,1182 | 0,1020 | 0,0000 | 0,0853 | 0,0000 | 0,0000 | 0,0488 | 0,1579 | 0,0000 | 0,0000 | 0,0000 | 0,0222 | 0,0075 | 0,0000 |
| BMWP | 2010 | 12 | 28 | 0 | 50 | 0 | 0 | 4 | 12 | 5 | 0 | 26 | 15 | 15 | 0 |
| class | 2010 | IV | IV | V | III | V | V | V | IV | V | V | IV | IV | IV | V |
| BMWP | 2011 | 24 | 36 | 0 | 30 | 0 | 0 | 32 | 26 | 0 | 0 | 19 | 54 | 27 | 0 |
| class | 2011 | IV | IV | V | IV | V | V | IV | IV | V | V | IV | III | IV | V |
| BMWP | 2012 | 26 | 48 | 6 | 42 | 0 | 0 | 53 | 55 | 0 | 0 | 36 | 35 | 26 | 0 |
| class | 2012 | IV | III | V | III | V | V | III | III | V | v | IV | IV | IV | V |

Fig. 3. Comparison of the EPT-index for the 14 stations assessed in 2010, 2011 and 2012.


Station 1, 2 and 4 show high values in 2012 while there are low or no values for the other stations. In comparison to 2010 and 2011, the values for station 1 and 2 increased. For the stations 4, 7, and 11 lower values were derived.

Fig. 4. The Simpson index for the stations 1-14 in comparison of 2011 and 2012.


In 2012, the stations 8,9 and 11 show lower values. The data from the stations $1,2,4,7,12$ and 13 provide medium values. For the stations 5, 6, 10 and 14 higher values were calculated. Compared to the results of 2011, station 3, 8, 9 and 11 show lower values in 2012. For the stations $1,2,4,6,7,12$ and 13 higher values were calculated while 5,10 and 14 show similar values.

Fig. 5. The Shannon-Wiener index for stations 1 - 14 in 2010, 2011 and 2012.


The calculation of the Shannon-Wiener index reveals high values for station 4, 8 and 11. Station 1, 2, 3, 7, 12 and 13 show lower values. For the stations 5, 6, 9, 10 and 14 there do not exist values. Compared to the results of 2010 and 2011, higher or equal values could be derived for the stations $4,8,11$ and 12 in 2012. Lower values were calculated for station 1, 2, $6,7,9,10$ and 13 .

Fig. 6. The values of the Margalef index for the stations 1-14 in 2011 and 2012.


There are high values for the stations $2,4,7,8,11$ and 12 . There are no values for the stations $5,6,9,10$ and 14 . Low values were calculated for station 1,3 and 13 . Station 1 and 11 show higher values in 2012 compared to 2011. All other stations show lower or no values in 2012.

Fig. 7. Species evenness for the stations 1 - 14 in comparison for the years 2010, 2011 and 2012.


Stations 3, 8 and 11 show high values. The results for station $1,2,4,7,12$ and 13 are low values. There is no data for the stations $5,6,9,10$ and 14 . Over the last three years, the values for the stations $3,8,11$ and 12 increased, for the stations $1,2,4,7,10$ and 13 the values decreased.

Fig. 8. Scores of the BMWP index (y-axis) for the stations 1 - 14 in comparison for the years 2010, 2011 and 2012.


According to the score, the stations 2, 4, 7 and 8 can be assigned to class III. Station 1 and 13 belong to class IV. Station 3 can be assigned to class V. There is no data for the stations 5, 6, 9, 10 and 14. In comparison to previous years, an increase can be detected at station 1, 2, 3, 4, 7,8 and 11 . The results for station 12 and 13 show a decrease.

## Discussion

## Species

The classes Hirudinea and Oligochaeta are both pollution tolerant benthos. Species of Hirudinea indicate very poor water quality. Oligochaeta can be found in soft mud bottoms indicate in high numbers very poor water quality. Species of the class Bivalvia are considered to be sensitive benthos, reacting to siltation and low dissolved oxygen. The class Gastropoda can indicate nutrient enriched conditions and poor water quality. Nematoda can indicate bad water quality. Species of the order Isopoda are moderately tolerant benthos. They often indicate poorer water quality. Species of the order of Megaloptera are intolerant to pollution while species of Trichoptera show a large range of pollution tolerance. Organisms of the
order Ephemeroptera vary in their varied tolerance to pollution, but are generally living in cleaner water. Species of the order Diptera indicate moderately clean water (EPA, 2012).

## EPT

The stations 1,2 and 4 show better water quality than at the other stations in 2012. Generally, there is a trend of decrease in water quality visible.

## Simpson index

In 2012, station 8,9 and 11 are richer in species. For the stations $1,2,4,7,12$ and 13 there is an average diversity indicated. The stations $5,6,10$ and 14 have low species diversity. Species richness is higher at the stations $3,8,9$ and 11 in 2012 compared to 2011. Station 1, $2,4,6,7,12,13$ have a lower species richness in 2012 than in 2011 while the stations 5, 10, 14 show the same species richness as in the previous year.

## Shannon-Wiener index

The results indicate high biodiversity for the stations 4,8 and 11 while station $1,2,3,7,12$ and 13 show lower biodiversity. For the stations 5, 6, 9, 10 and 14 there cannot be made a statement. Compared to the results of 2010 and 2011, stations 4, 8, 11 and 12 show higher or equal biodiversity in 2012. Station 1, 2, 6, 7, 9, 10 and 13 have lower biodiversity.

## Margalef index

Species diversity is high at the stations $2,4,7,8,11$ and 12 . Station 1,3 and 13 have low diversity. Station 1 and 11 show a higher diversity in 2012 compared to 2011. For all other stations there is lower diversity or no data.

## Species evenness

There is a high species evenness found at the stations 3,8 and 11 . Station 1, 2, 4, 7, 12 and 13 show low species evenness. Over the years, species evenness increased at the stations 3, 8, 11 and 12. At the stations 1, 2, 4, 7, 10 and 13 species evenness decreased.

## BMWP -PL

In combination with the classification of the Water Framework Directive, the following conclusion from the values can be drawn:

- The result of the stations 2, 4, 7 and 8 indicate a moderate ecological status of the lake.
- The data from the stations 1 and 13 show the lake in a poor condition.
- The values from station 3 indicate bad ecological condition of the lake.

There is a trend visible for the improvement of the lake in several stations over the last three years $(1,2,3,4,7,8,11)$. In comparison to previous years, station 12 and 13 degrade.

## 4. Conclusions

The biodiversity has increased from 26 taxa in 2011 to 28 taxa in 2012.

In comparison to previous years there is less Theodoxus fluviatilis which is important indicator of clean water. However for the first time another very important indicator of clean water appeared - Mollana sp.

There are difficulties in the application of macroinvertebrates as ecological indicators. This can be problems with sampling and sorting methodology and taxonomy. (Busch \& Sly, 1992). Nevertheless, macroinvertebrates are commonly and successfully used to determine the ecological status of lakes.

According to Muralidharan et al. (2010), macroinvertebrates are sensitive to pollution, low oxygen contents and sedimention of fine materials. Problems can also be caused by thermal and radioactive pollution.

Best living conditions are provided in lakes with pristine conditions. An undisturbed transition zone provides suitable habitats for many different species of macroinvertebrates (Figure XXX). Macrophytes are of special importance in this context, since they regulate the "water flow, light availability and temperature around them" (WRC, 2001: 3).

Fig. 9. Habitats for macroinvertebrates in an undisturbed aquatic environment.


For Lake Dorowskie, several recommendations can be made:

- Planting and broadening of the macrophyte belt at the southern shoreline with restricted access to the waterline.
- The jetties should be placed in front of the macrophyte belt to protect the vegetation, the accesses should be as small as possible.
- Pollutants should be reduced.
- The use of motorboats should be restricted to minimize the wave impact on the lake banks
- Regular monitoring to assess the status of macroinvertebrates should be applied.


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## 6. Appendix

Annex 1. Standard table of BMWP- PL (Kownacki, Soszka 2004)

|  | Rodziny | Pumktacja |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Ephemeroptera <br> Trichoptera <br> Diptera | Ameletidae <br> Glossosomatidae, Molannidae, Beraeidae, Odontocenidae, Leptoceridae Blephaniceridae, Thaumaleidae | 10 |
| Ephemeroptera <br> Plecoptera <br> Odonata <br> Trichoptera | Behninguidae <br> Taeniopterygidae <br> Cordulegastridae <br> Goeridae, Lepidostomatidae | 9 |
| Cnustacea <br> Ephemeroptera <br> Plecoptera <br> Trichoptera <br> Diptera | Astacidae <br> Oligoneuriidae, Heptageniidae (rodzaje Epeorus, Rhithrogena) <br> Capniidae, Perlidae, Chloroperlidae <br> Philopotamiidae <br> Athericidae | 8 |
| Ephemeroptera <br> Plecoptera <br> Odonata <br> Trichoptera <br> Coleoptera <br> Heteroptera <br> Gastropoda <br> Bivalvia | Siphlomuridae, Leptophlebiidae, Potamanthidae, Ephemerellidae, <br> Ephemeridae, Caenidae, <br> Perlodidae, Leuctridze <br> Calopterygidae, Gomphidae, <br> Rhyacophilidae, Brachycentridze, Sericostomatidae, Limnephilidae <br> Elmidae <br> Aphelocheinidae <br> Viviparidae <br> Unionidae, Dreissenidae | 7 |
| Hirudinea <br> Chustacea <br> Ephemeroptera) <br> Plecoptera <br> Odonata <br> Trichoptera <br> Diptera <br> Gastropoda | Piscicolidae <br> Gammaridae, Corophiidae <br> Baetidae, Heptageniidae ( $z$ wyjątkiem rodzajów Epeorus i Rhitrogena) <br> Nemounidae <br> Platycnemididae, Coenagnionidae <br> Hydroptilidae, Polycentropodidae, Ecnomidae <br> Limoniidae, Simulindae, Empididae <br> Neritidae, Bithyniidae | 6 |
| Cnustacea <br> Trichoptera <br> Coleoptera <br> Heteropera <br> Diptera <br> Gastropoda | Cambanidae <br> Hydropsychidae, Psychomyidae <br> Gyrinidae, Dytiscidae, Haliplidae, Hydrophulidae <br> Mesoveliidae, Veliidae, Nepidae, Naucoridae, Notonectidae, Pleidae, <br> Conixidae <br> Tipuliidae <br> Hydrobiidae | 5 |
| Diptera <br> Gastropoda <br> Bivalvia | Ceratopogonidae Valvatidae, Planorbidze Sphaeriudae | 4 |
| Hirudinea Cnustacea Megaloptera Diptera Gastropoda | Glossiphonidae, Erpobdellidze, Hirudinidae <br> Asellidae <br> Sialidae <br> Chironomidae <br> Ancylidae, Physidae, Lymnaeidae | 3 |
| Oligochaeta Diptera | wszysficie Oligochaeta Culicidse | 2 |
| Diptera | Syrphidae, Psychodidae | 1 |

