# ArcGIS Online

## Interactive Fish Habitat Map User Guide





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## Fish Habitat Map Summary

The content of the interactive map involves data collected from the 2011/2012 fish habitat study that was initiated by SSRWSI with funding by Environment Canada's Environmental Damages Fund.

#### About the Fish Habitat Project:

The purpose of the project was to investigate fish utilization and provide a base knowledge of areas of important fish habitats within tributaries that flow into the South Saskatchewan River. The assessments included mapping, photographing and evaluating the existing fish habitat as well as sampling for fish species in the study area.



#### Fish Habitat Map Layers:

#### • Tributaries of the Fish Habitat Study:

highlights tributaries that were involved in the study. This includes both tributaries that were studied in 2011 and 2012 as well as tributaries that were proposed for study.

Creeks Studied (2011/2012)	Other Tributaries Considered
	for Study:
Brightwater/Beaver Creek	Spring Creek
Fish Creek	Miry Creek
Opimihaw Creek	Sage Creek
Red Deer Creek	Summit Creek
Snakebite Creek	Aiktow Creek

#### • Sample Locations:

Includes information on the date that the specific location was sampled, method of capture (seine nets, hoop nets or minnow traps), UTM coordinates, the species that were found and habitat type (Riffle, Run, Pool)

Species Abbreviations		
Short	Common Name	Scientific Name
BRST	Brook stickleback	Culaea inconstans
EMSH	Emerald shiner	Notropis atherinoides
FNDC	Finescel dace	Phoximus neogaeuss
FTMW	Fathead minnow	Pimephales promelas
LKCH	Lake chub	Couesius plumbeus
NRPK	Northern pike	Esox lucius
SHRD	Shorthead redhorse	Moxostoma macrolepidotum
STSH	Spottail shiner	Notropis hudsonius
WTSK	White sucker	Catostomus commersoni
YLPR	Yellow perch	Perca flavescens

#### • South Saskatchewan River Watershed:

The South Saskatchewan River Watershed is the catchment basin or region of land that drains into the South Saskatchewan River, within the borders of Saskatchewan. The watershed layer is divided into three areas: the North, Lake Diefenbaker and West. Each area has their own Watershed Advisory Committee (WAC).

#### • Effective Drainage:

The portion of the drainage area adjacent to the river channel which contributes runoff entirely to the South Saskatchewan River.

#### • Rural Municipalities (RMs):

Shows the boundaries of rural municipalities within the South Saskatchewan River Watershed.

#### • Parks

Displays the provincial, regional and heritage parks within the South Saskatchewan River Watershed.

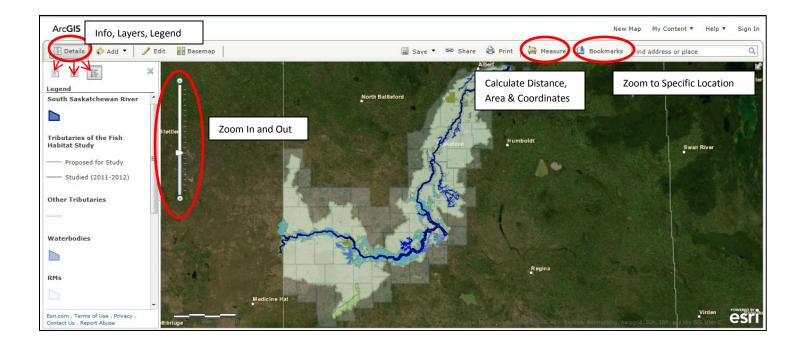
#### Indian Reservations

Locations of aboriginal communities within the South Saskatchewan River Watershed

#### • Other Hydrology:

-Water bodies (lakes, reservoirs etc.)

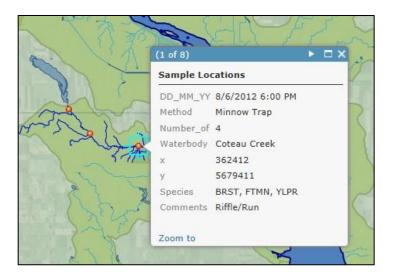
-Tributaries not included in the habitat study



### How to Use Interactive Map Features

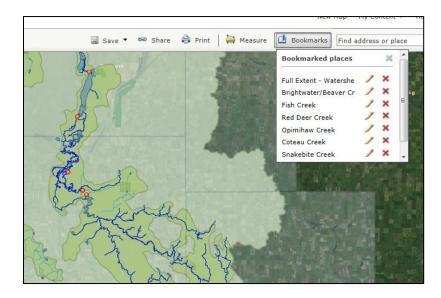
#### 1. Display Attribute Data:

Click on a map feature to display details.



#### 2. Navigation:

Zoom in or out by using the scroll on your mouse, or by using to zoom bar on the left of the screen. You can zoom to specific locations (creeks) clicking on Bookmarks, and selecting the location you would like to view.



#### 3. Turn Layers On or Off

You may want to only view one or two layers at a time, or turn a layer off to select the features underneath it. Under "Details", click "Contents" button. Check or uncheck boxes beside the layer you wish to turn on or off.

\*\* Note: The fewer layers you have turned on, the faster the map will load.





#### 4. Show Map Legend.

Under "Details", click the show legend button. This displays the map's symbols and layers

#### 5. Measure

Use the measure tool to find area, length or location. Draw a polygon to calculate the area within it, draw a line to calculate distance, or click on a spot to display its coordinates. You can choose the unit you would like to display the results in.

