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ABSTRACT

This second summary document provides information (pH, alkalinity, calcium and sensitivity rating) for about 760 lakes sampled between 1977 and 1986. This represents about 3.5% of the estimated 22,000 lakes in British Columbia. It provides locations where ten lakes with pH less than 6.0 have been found and presents a generalized sensitivity map for the province. A distribution of lakes in the Province by sensitivity indicator is presented which shows that about 20% of the lakes have high sensitivity to acidic inputs.

Information is also provided on calculated relationships between total dissolved solids and several characteristics. Relationships with a high level of confidence exist for calcium, inflection point alkalinity and alkalinity to pH 4.5.

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INTRODUCTION

This second summary document of the chemical sensitivity of lakes in British Columbia provides information on about 760 lakes sampled in the period 1977-1986. This represents about 3.5% of the estimated 22,000 lakes in British Columbia. The distribution of this sampling within British Columbia is shown on <u>Figure 1</u>. The biological sensitivity of lakes is more complex than chemical sensitivity because it is influenced by numerous biological factors not measured during the surveys reported here.

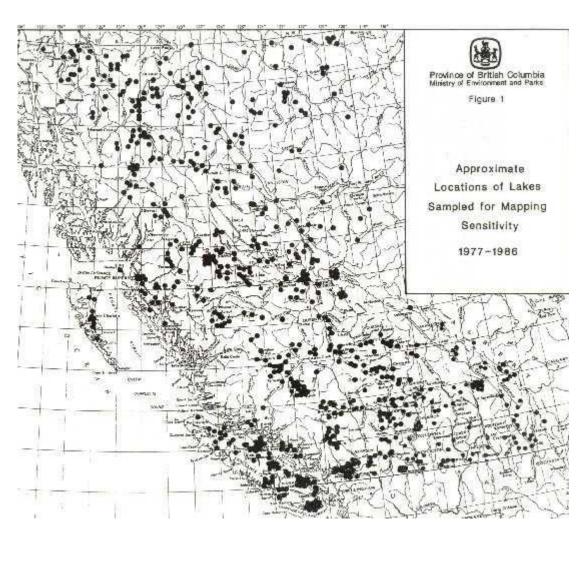
The purpose of this document is to provide information on the status of lakes in British Columbia with respect to acidic inputs. Acidic inputs do not originate necessarily as acid precipitation, but also can originate as acidic waste water effluents discharged from industrial operations.

The information in this document relates solely to lakes and does not reflect river water quality. The reasons for this are:

- Rivers and streams can reflect recent events such as snowmelt. An accurate representation of the water quality of a river or stream is not possible unless a large number of samples are obtained in one season
- Lakes provide a zone in a watershed where short-term events such as snowmelt can be averaged out. This reduces the necessity to collect samples as frequently as would be the case for rivers and streams
- 3. The water quality of rivers and streams can vary along their length more than lakes due to the heterogeneous geological nature of drainage basins

Acidic inputs to a lake can cause the lake to increase in acidity. The acidity of any substance can be measured on the pH scale which has values ranging from 0.0 to 14.0. The scale is divided equally between acidic and basic conditions; values less than pH 7.0 are acidic while those greater than pH 7.0 are basic. Vinegar has a pH of 2.2 while milk of magnesia has a pH of 10.5.

Figure 1. Approximate Locations of Lakes Sampled for Mapping Sensitivity.

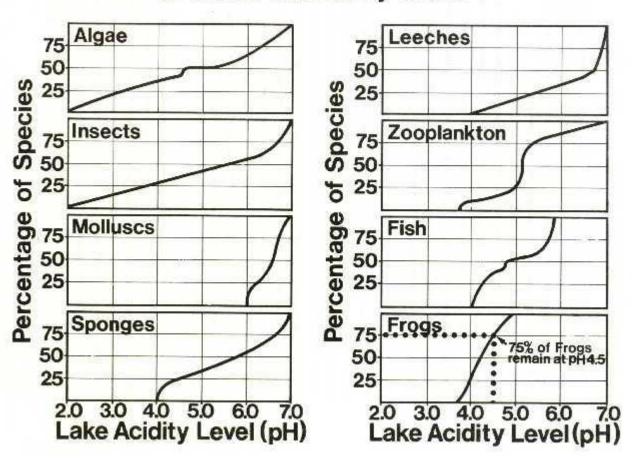


DISCUSSION

The acidity of a lake has a direct impact on the numbers and types of aquatic organisms present. This is illustrated in <u>Figure 2</u>, which shows that 100% of fish will be present at pH 6.0 but less than 50% of leeches. All freshwater molluscs will disappear at this same pH.

Figure 2. Percentage of Species Able to Exist at Various Lake Acidity Levels.

Percentage of species able to exist at various lake acidity levels.



In British Columbia, most of the 752 lakes where pH measurements have been made since 1977 have pH values greater than 6.0. Figure 3 represents the percentage of values in each pH range. Only about 1% of the 752 lakes have had pH values less than 6.0 The locations of these lakes is shown in Figure 4. The lakes are distributed throughout British Columbia, from the Queen Charlotte Islands and Prince Rupert area to the Wells Gray Park area (Haggen #1 in Figure 4).

Figure 3. Lake Acidity Levels in British Columbia.

Lake acidity levels in British Columbia (n=752).

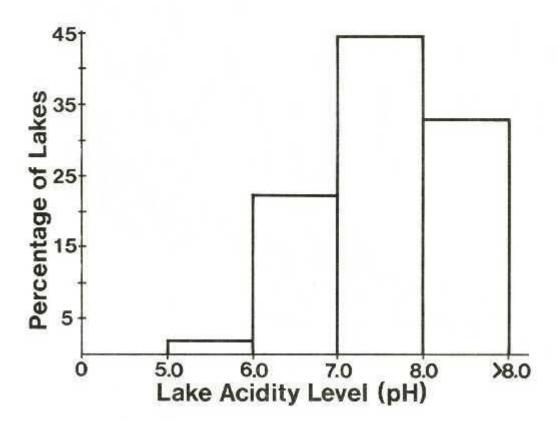


Figure 4. Lakes with pH less than 6.0.



Figure 4 Lakes With pH< 6.0

The biological effect that any acidic input will have on a lake will depend on several factors. These factors include the number and type of aquatic organisms present, the quantity of acid which reaches the lake, the degree of neutralization of the acid which occurs prior to its reaching the lake and the chemical

sensitivity of the lake to pH change. The chemical sensitivity of a lake to acidic inputs relates to the quantity of buffering material present in the lake to neutralize incoming acids. A lake of high chemical sensitivity has little capacity to provide buffering, while one of low sensitivity has sufficient buffering material present to neutralize most acidic inputs. A lake with moderate sensitivity can neutralize all but fairly large acidic inputs.

In British Columbia, lake sensitivity is determined from measurments of the alkalinity and/or calcium present. Measurements of these characteristics were made at the Environmental Laboratory of the Ministry of Environment and Parks in Vancouver. Alkalinity provides the most direct measurement of sensitivity of a lake to acidic inputs, since it measures the carbonate-bicarbonate buffering capacity. These anions generally are in equilibrium with calcium and magnesium cations. In British Columbia, the chemical sensitivity of lakes is determined according to the following criteria for alkalinity and calcium.

Characteristics		Sensitivity		
(mg/L)	High	Moderate	Low	
Calcium	less than 4	5 to 8	over 8	
Alkalinity	less than 10	10 to 20	over 20	

These criteria are consistent across Western Canada (Saskatchewan Research Concil, 1982).

Using these criteria a lake sensitivity map for British Columbia was prepared using data collected from 1977 to 1983. The preparation of this map initially required that two sensitivity maps based on <u>calcium</u> and <u>alkalinity</u> measurements had to be prepared. The lake sensitivity map was produced by overlaying these calcium and alkalinity maps (<u>Figure 5</u>). The final map depicts the most sensitive rating from either of the initial maps, *i.e.* and area of high sensitivity on either map became an area of high sensitivity on the final map, an area of moderate and low sensitivity on the initial two maps became an area of moderate sensitivity on the final map.

Figure 5. Lake Sensitivity to Acid Rain.

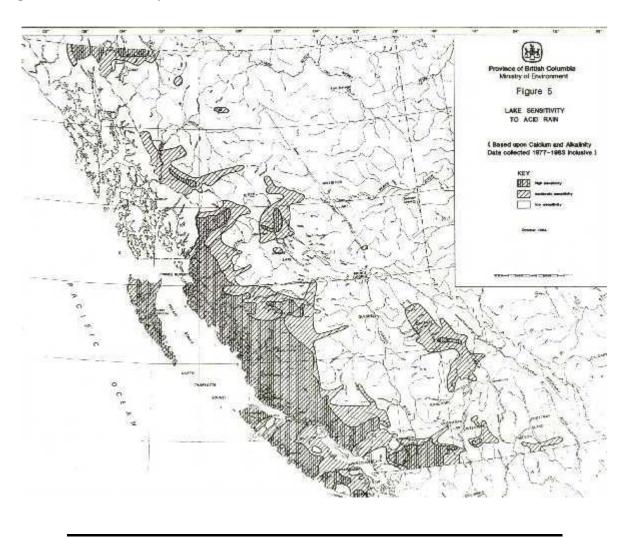


Figure 8. Lake Sensitivity to Acid Rain: Based on Calcium.

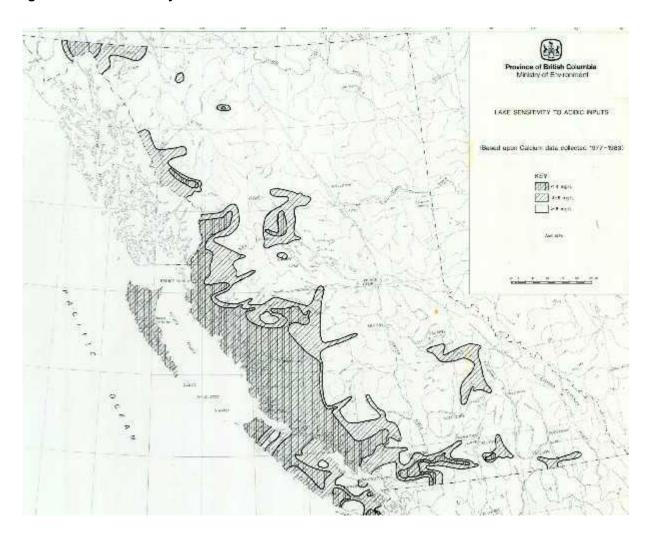
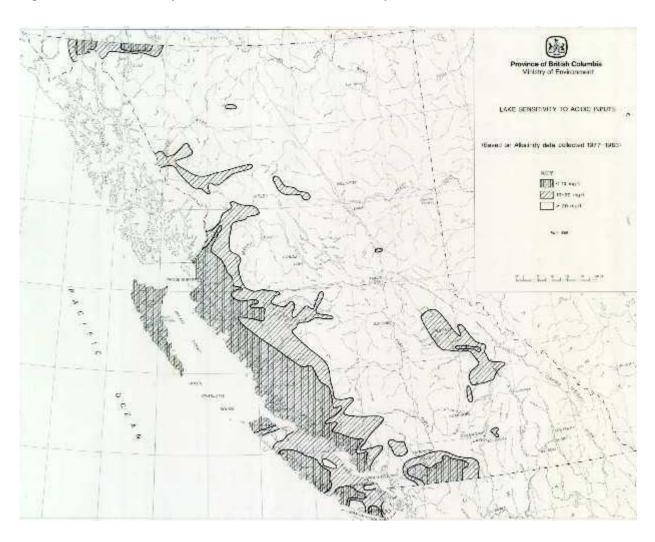


Figure 9. Lake Sensitivity to Acid Rain: Based on Alkalinity.



Finally, we took this map, <u>Figure 5</u> and combined it with a similar map based on the potential of soils and surficial geology to reduce acidity to produce a map of sensitive environments to acidic deposition, <u>Figure 11</u>.

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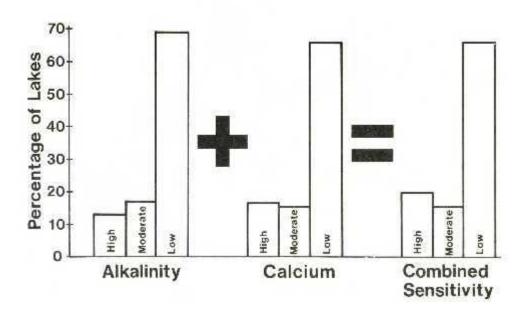
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Figure 11. Sensitive Environments to Acidic Deposition.

<u>Figure 6</u> shows the distribution of lakes according to calcium and alkalinity measurements for the period 1977 to 1986. Approximately 65% of all lakes sampled have low sensitivity, 15% moderate sensitivity and 20% have high sensitivity.

Figure 6. Distribution of Lakes in British Columbia by Each Sensitivity Rating Characteristic (1977-1986).

Distribution of lakes in British Columbia by each sensitivity rating characteristic (1977 - 1986).



The lakes classed as having high sensitivity based only on alkalinity can be further subdivided as follows:

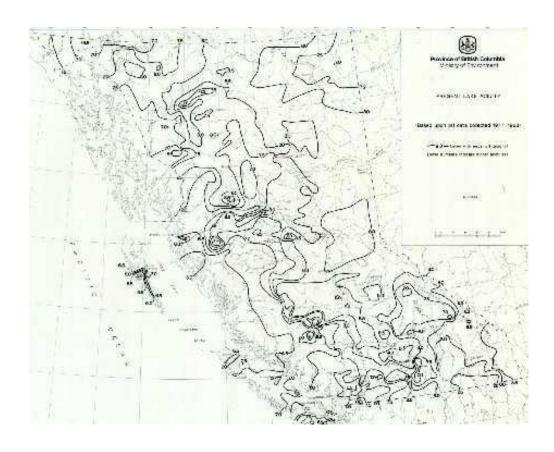
- Those with 0.0 to 2.49 mg/L alkalinity comprise 0.8%
- Those with 2.5 to 4.99 mg/L alkalinity comprise 4.7%
- Those with 5.0 to 7.49 mg/L alkalinity comprise 3.3%
- Those with 7.5 to 9.99 mg/L alkalinity comprise 3.3%

Details related to the pH and sensitivity of each lake sampled in the period 1977 to 1986 are in Tables 1 to 5. Lakes are listed alphabetically and have been grouped according to their location by Ministry of Environment and Parks regions (<u>Figure 7</u> because of duplication of some lake names within the Province. When calcium and/or alkalinity values are not available for a lake, the sensitivity has been estimated from the lake pH. This estimate has been made according to the region that the lake is located in and by data for other lakes in the same region with similar pH and known calcium and/or alkalinity, Figure 10.

Figure 7. Regional Boundaries of the Ministry of Environment.



Figure 10. Present Lake Acidity: Based on pH.



In some other cases, calcium and alkalinity values (and hence sensitivity) have been estimated using relationships between total dissolved solids and each of calcium and alkalinity. These relationships have a confidence level of between 85 and 90% associated with them, and are based on between 670 and 740 paired measurements in lakes throughout British Columbia. These relationships are indicated in the Tables.

Other relationships which do not have the same confidence level are listed below. These are provided for the benefit of other researchers.

$Alk_1 = -12.133 + 0.770 TDS$

where: Alk_I = inflection point alkalinity in mg/L and TDS = total dissolved solids in mg/L n = 662; $r^2 = 0.9047$

 $SO_4 = -0.001 + 0.087 TDS$

where: SO_4 = sulphate in mg/L and TDS = total dissolved solids in mg/L n = 698; r^2 = 0.9996

Na = -0.278 + 0.524 TDS

where: Na = sodium in mg/L and TDS = total dissolved solids in mg/L n = 251; $r^2 = 0.6746$

K = -0.586 + 0.021 TDS

where: K = potassium in mg/L and TDS = total dissolved solids in mg/L n = 242; r^2 = 0.6295

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Table 1. Lake Sensitivity Characteristics: Vancouver Island Region.

Lake Names	рН	Calcium (mg/L)	Alkalinity (mg/L)	Sensitivity Rating
Alice	7.2	8.5	24.6	low
Bear Creek Reservoir	6.8	1.7	7.1	high
Beaver	7.1	4.8	18.8	moderate
Beck	7.5	23.8	93.5	low
Benson	7.5	9.6	26.7	low
Blackburn	7.3	12.1	38.0	low
Blackjack	7.0	5.6	21.1	moderate
Blenkinsop	7.6	29.3	101.26	low
Blinkhorn	7.1		23.6	low
Bonanza	7.1	3.3	14.7	high
Brannen	7.3	6.0	18.6	moderate
Bullocks	7.3	11.9	34.8	low
Buttle	7.3	8.9	24.6	low
Cameron	7.6	12.2	35.8	low
+ Camp	7.1	4.7	15.3	moderate
Campbell	7.2	7.0	20.0	moderate
* Cathers	7.4			high
+ Cecil	6.7	20.2	83.6	low
* Chewhat	6.8			high
Chehalis	6.8	2.0	7.5	high
Comox	7.4	5.2	18.6	moderate
Cowichan	7.2	7.2	20.1	moderate

Crest	7.1	4.2	15.0	moderate
Cusheon	7.5	10.1	26.1	low
Daisy Reservoir	7.3	8.3	21.5	low
Doobah	6.7	1.65	5.3	high
Durrance	7.9	21.4	65.1	low
Echo	8.1	42.7	100.1	low
Elk	8.3	15.6	51.4	low
Elsie	6.9	4.0	14.1	moderate
Flume	7.1	6.9	23.4	moderate
Ford	7.6	13.1	37.7	low
Fork	6.8	4.8	14.8	moderate
Fuller	7.1	3.8	11.4	high
Fulmore	6.4	1.2	4.2	high
+ Garrett	7.2	3.7	10.6	high
Glen	7.5	13.9		low
Glinz	7.2	3.4	14.0	high
Great Central	6.9	5.1	14.7	moderate
Green	7.1	10.6	26.8	low
Heal	7.6	18.1	48.1	low
Henderson	6.7	3.2	8.9	high
Hobiton	6.7	1.9	6.6	high
Holyoak	6.8	1.1	4.6	high
Horne	7.3	9.8	29.7	low
lda	7.4	6.9	20.7	moderate
+ Illusion	7.1	5.9	20.6	moderate

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Jarvis	6.6	0.9	5.26	high
John Hart Reservoir	6.8	6.4	19.2	moderate
Kennedy	6.8	3.6	10.8	high
Keta	6.5	1.6	5.6	high
Langford	8.1	18.5	55.6	low
Lapan	6.4	1.2	3.8	high
Larry	6.2	1.0	4.1	high
+ Lawson	7.1	3.6	9.9	high
Lizard	7.1	3.4	12.3	high
Long	7.3	9.3	25.3	low
Lower Campbell	6.9	6.4	17.6	moderate
Lower Drum	7.3	2.9	11.1	high
+ Lower Stella	7.3	2.7	5.3	high
Maggie	7.4	3.3	10.0	high
Magic	7.8	13.4	55.5	low
Maltby	6.9	10.4	24.6	low
Maxwell	7.6	5.2	15.9	moderate
* МсКау	6.7			high
Mesachie	7.3	4.3	16.6	moderate
Myles	6.5	4.0	12.0	moderate
Nahmint	7.1	6.7	20.6	moderate
Nimpkish	7.0	2.8	13.1	high
Nitnat	7.8	141.0	56.7	low
+ O'Conner	6.6	4.2	13.0	moderate
Old Wolf	6.5	1.6	7.2	high

Oliphant	6.5	5.8	17.1	moderate
Philips	6.4	0.9	4.4	high
Pike	6.9	8.67	22.9	low
Poiorier	6.7	3.0	12.6	high
Powell	6.6	1.0	4.8	high
Prospect	7.4	9.0	29.5	low
Quarantine	6.9	4.1	10.9	moderate
* Quennell	8.2			low
+ Raven	7.2	3.6	9.9	high
* Reinhart	7.4			high
* Richard	6.9			high
Roe	7.6	15.6	54.5	low
* Round	6.83			high
Shaw	7.2	9.2	34.2	low
Shawnigan	7.4	5.4	17.2	moderate
Sherwood Pond	7.9	97.9	125.0	low
Silburn	6.2	3.6	10.7	high
* Snakehead	7.5			low
Songhees	6.1	0.6	3.1	high
Spectacle	7.0	4.0	13.0	moderate
+ Spider	7.0	5.6	19.9	moderate
Sproat	7.1	8.6	25.2	low
St. Mary	7.6	9.0	30.8	low
Stocking	6.9	3.0	10.2	high
Stowell	6.9	8.4	23.1	low

Swan	8.0	40.4		low
Teanook	7.1	9.4	24.4	low
Tom Browne	6.5	1.2	4.9	high
Tsusiat	6.4	1.3	4.4	high
Tugwell	6.6	0.9	4.6	high
Upper Campbell	6.9	6.9	20.5	moderate
Upper Drum	7.2	3.8	14.2	high
Upper Quinsam	6.8	7.1	16.2	moderate
Upper Thelwood	6.8	1.0	3.9	high
Victoria	7.0	3.2	13.23	high
Volcano		12.47		low
Weston	6.9	11.3	29.53	low
Westwood	6.9	2.7	9.8	high
Woss	7.0	2.2	10.93	high
Wrigglesworth	7.5	11.8	35.0	low
Young	7.0	2.9	15.5	high

Notes:

* sensitivity estimated on basis of pH + sensitivity estimated on basis of:

alkalinity = -10.086 + 0.768 TDS ($r^2 = 0.9056$)

and

calcium = $0.093 \text{ TDS}^{1.12} (r^2 = 0.8341)$

Table 2. Lake Sensitivity Characteristics: Lower Mainland Region.

Lake Names	рН	Calcium (mg/L)	Alkalinity (mg/L)	Sensitivity Rating
Acta	7.4	13.0	16.6	moderate
Alouette	6.6	1.1	3.8	high
Alpha	7.1	6.6	17.2	moderate
Alta	6.9	11.8	15.0	moderate
Anderson	7.8	15.3	50.9	low
Blaney (UBC Research Forest)	6.7	2.0	5.2	high
Burnaby	7.0	15.0	40.0	low
Carpenter	7.7	9.3	33.9	low
Cheakamus	7.0	5.7	14.4	moderate
Chilliwack	6.8	3.1	7.7	high
Coquihalla Pond	7.1	3.1	8.4	high
Coquihalla-1	6.8	3.7	11.5	high
Cultus	8.0	26.8	63.0	low
Daisy Reservoir	7.4	4.8	13.9	moderate
Davis	8.2	44.5	163.0	low
Dodd	6.7	2.2	7.6	high
Eunice (UBC Research Forest)	6.6	1.4	3.9	high
Fire	7.5	14.9	30.3	low
Glacier	6.8	4.2	8.4	high
Green	7.4	9.0	23.0	low
Green (0300203)g	7.1	18.7		low

Gwendoline (UBC Research Forest)	6.7	1.5	4.4	high
Harrison	7.5	5.7	16.0	moderate
Haslam	6.8		7.8	high
Hatzic	7.4	7.1	25.3	moderate
* Hayward	6.8			high
Holden	7.8	9.3	29.3	low
Horseshoe	6.8	1.7	6.9	high
Jacobs (Marion)	6.6	1.7	5.6	high
Kenyon	5.4	0.4	1.9	high
Kwotlenemo	8.5	26.2	130.0	low
Lillooet	7.3	7.7	21.9	moderateh
Loisg	6.7	1.89	6.4	high
Lookout	6.9	3.7	12.3	high
Lost	7.5	9.8	23.2	low
Lower Joffre	6.8	4.5	12.7	moderate
Marion (Jacobs)	6.6	1.7	5.6	high
Mosquito	6.9	11.9	25.5	low
Nita	7.1	6.1	14.0	moderate
Pitt	6.9	2.2	6.4	high
Placid (UBC Research Forest)	6.6	1.8	4.6	high
Powell	6.6	1.0	4.7	high
Rolley	6.6	1.9	5.3	high
Sayers	6.7	1.1	3.9	high
Squeah	7.0	3.3	11.5	high

Stave	6.6	1.2	4.5	high
Sukinaw	7.4	5.2	17.6	moderate
Twin (East)	6.4	1.9	5.3	high
Twin (West)	6.2	0.9	3.8	high
UBC Research Forest #1	5.8	0.9	2.5	high
UBC Research Forest #2	6.2	1.6	4.0	high
UBC Research Forest #3	6.1	1.2	3.3	high
* West Kakawa	7.8	11.4	38.7	low

Notes:

- * sensitivity estimated on basis of pH + sensitivity estimated on basis of:

alkalinity =
$$-10.086 + 0.768$$
 TDS ($r^2 = 0.9056$)

and

calcium = $0.093 \text{ TDS}^{1.12} (r^2 = 0.8341)$

Table 3. Lake Sensitivity Characteristics: Southern Interior Region.

Lake Names	рН	Calcium (mg/L)	Alkalinity (mg/L)	Sensitivity Rating
* 130 Mile	8.5			low
Allison	8.3	42.0	158.9	low

Anahim	9.3	6.6	56.4	moderate
Barriere (North)	7.6	6.2	21.1	moderate
Beaver	8.7	30.3	209.7	low
Birkenhead	6.5	4.5	38.7	moderate
Blue	8.2	38.9	312.5	low
Boar	8.5	32.1	31.9	low
Boldue	7.7	26.4	78.6	low
* Bose	7.8			low
Boss	8.3	29.7	123.0	low
Bowers	8.6	42.2	175.0	low
Brenda	6.8	3.0	9.6	high
* Burnell	8.1			low
Carpenter	7.3	10.5	34.0	low
Chain		18.0	66.5	low
Chantslar	8.5	25.9	132.0	low
Chapperon	9.3	15.4	95.8	low
Charlotte	6.7	3.7	15.5	high
Chaunigan	8.4	28.8	111.9	low
Chilko	6.7	8.4	20.5	low
* Chimney	8.9	15.6	473.0	low
Choelqoit	8.7	32.3	237.3	low
Clearwater	8.0	16.3	78.1	low
Coldscaur	8.2	15.9	59.6	low
Conkle	7.2	3.7	16.9	high
Crooked	7.3	4.5	11.7	moderate

Crown	8.3	38.9	143.0	low
Cup	7.3	6.5	14.3	moderate
Dease, Little	8.3	32.9	99.1	low
Demers	8.3	57.0	150.0	low
Douglas	8.0	14.6	63.6	low
Downton	7.2	6.9	26.2	moderate
Dragon	8.3	30.5	122.0	low
Dunn	7.6	7.4	26.7	moderate
Dutch	8.4	21.5	96.9	low
Eagle	8.6	27.9	184.4	low
* East Hatfield	8.5			low
East King	7.8	24.2	78.1	low
Echo	7.9	41.7	94.2	low
Elkin	6.9	9.3	30.7	low
Ellison	8.3	13.2	59.5	low
Evaline	8.9	17.6	611.5	low
Felker	9.0	46.0	138.0	low
Fifteen Mile	7.6	9.4	36.8	low
Finney	8.3	22.6	97.7	low
Fishemn	6.9	16.3	39.3	low
Fishem (upper)	7.6	21.5	68.8	low
Fletcher	8.6	31.5	128.9	low
Forest	8.6	28.5	496.0	low
Gardom	7.8	50.0	140.5	low
Garnet	8.3	55.4	189.0	low

Glacier	6.8	1.4	7.5	high
Gladstone	7.7	49.2	278.0	low
Goat	6.8	1.9	7.4	high
Green	8.1	36.9	135.0	low
Gun	7.9	14.5	60.4	low
* Hatfield (East)	8.5			low
Hawkins	8.2	23.9	101.0	low
Hendrix	7.4	7.0	22.9	moderate
Holstein	7.9	27.7	68.9	low
Horn	8.5	41.7	125.9	low
* Horse	8.3			low
Hydraulic	6.4	3.8	13.7	high
Idleback	6.7	1.7	10.0	high
Ivey	8.0	25.1	46.1	low
Jacko	8.2	59.3	247.0	low
Jewel	8.4	19.9	72.2	low
Joan	7.2	4.5	13.9	moderate
Kalamalka	8.4	35.0	146.0	low
Keefer	7.7	11.2	33.7	low
King (East)	7.8	24.2	78.1	low
King (West)	7.9	26.5	81.0	low
Knox	9.0	19.3	392.6	low
Konni	8.4	34.0	116.4	low
Kostal	6.9	2.3	9.7	high
Lacroix (Round)	8.5	26.0	113.0	low

Lac La Hache	8.6	25.2	128.0	low
Lac La Jeune	8.4	37.3	140.5	low
Ladyslipper	6.7	1.3	8.0	high
Laird	8.4	53.0	166.0	low
Lake of Woods	6.9	1.7	8.9	high
Lassie	7.5	12.7	23.3	low
Lastman	8.0	66.5	80.8	low
Link		15.1	59.0	low
Little Horsefly	7.8		56.8	low
Little Shuswap	7.6	13.6	376.4	low
Logan	8.5	49.2	423.0	low
Long	8.8	19.2	241.0	low
Loon	8.8	23.2	296.0	low
* Lund	7.8	69.1	271.0	low
Mabel	7.9	15.1		low
MacDonald	6.8	2.0	9.5	high
Mamit	8.5	45.0		low
Mara	7.9	15.6		low
Martin	9.0	21.3	329.0	low
McConnell	8.1	34.1	149.0	low
McCulloch Reservoir	7.0	3.5	13.1	high
McDougall	7.0	4.6	13.7	moderate
McGillivray	7.0	3.1	12.6	high
McIntoshi	8.1	17.6	85.0	low
McKinley	7.9	14.5	44.4	low

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McKinley				
Reservoir	7.4	7.6	29.0	moderate
Middle	7.5	20.4	50.1	low
Milburn	7.9	23.7	91.2	low
Mink	6.6	4.5	20.6	moderate
Missezula			151.0	low
Momich	7.2	4.1	15.9	moderate
Monashee Pond	8.2	33.5	117.0	low
Monte	8.1	18.2	110.3	low
Mud	6.8	4.0	7.2	high
Murtle	6.8	2.6	8.4	high
Nazko	8.7	36.2	241.0	low
Ned Roberts	8.3	29.5	170.0	low
Nickel Plate	7.2	3.1	11.5	high
Nicola	8.2	23.2	96.4	low
Nimpo	8.2	13.2	97.8	low
Nipet (Twin Lake East)	8.7	27.5	226.0	low
Niskonlith	8.1	28.9	76.6	low
North Barriere	7.6	6.2	21.1	moderate
North Poison	8.5	15.7	158.0	low
North Taseko	6.5	7.4	15.1	moderate
Okanagan	8.4	33.4	123.0	low
One Eye	6.9	14.0	38.6	low
Osoyoos	8.3	32.5		low
Osprey		18.0	65.0	low

Otter	7.6	21.9	72.3	low
Oyama	6.9	4.3	16.6	moderate
Palmer	8.7	24.0	151.2	low
Pass	8.8	17.1	451.0	low
Paul	8.3	41.5	163.4	low
Pavilion	8.4	40.7	148.0	low
Peachland	7.8	22.9	47.0	low
Pennask	7.6	6.5	22.2	moderate
Phinetta	7.9	27.6	98.0	low
Pinaus	8.9	15.1	73.9	low
Poison (North)	8.5	15.7	158.0	low
Poison (South)	8.4	19.0	140.0	low
Providence	7.8	61.0	108.7	low
Puntchesakut	7.8	11.5	57.6	low
Puntzi	8.8	26.7	265.0	low
Pyper	8.6	41.2	165.0	low
Pyramid	6.9	1.8	9.9	high
Quiniscoe	6.9	1.6	9.7	high
Ray	7.0	3.8	11.1	high
Red	8.5	32.5	290.0	low
Redfish	6.6	5.4	18.8	moderate
+ Ripley	7.9	33.0	135.1	low
* Roe	7.8			low
Roserim	8.0		153.4	low
Sapeye	8.2	28.8	86.1	low

Scout	6.6	0.4	6.20	high
Seton	7.4	10.5	34.6	low
Shuswap	7.9	13.6		low
Six Mile	8.6	30.9	359.5	low
Sixteen Mile	7.7	8.7	32.2	low
Skaha	8.4	30.6	107.5	low
Sneezie	8.2	42.5	147.0	low
* Soap	9.1			low
South Poison	8.4	19.0	140.0	low
South Taseko	6.5	4.4	10.6	moderate
Souran	8.2	68.8	183.0	low
St. Thomas	6.4	2.6	13.5	high
Stum	8.5	24.2	161.1	low
Stump	9.0	8.5	320.1	low
Sugar	7.7	9.2		low
Sulphurous	8.3		147.0	low
Tahla	8.2	39.7	153.0	low
Tanilkul	8.7	29.0	207.2	low
Taseko (North)	6.5	7.4	15.10	moderate
Taseko (South)	6.5	4.4	10.6	moderate
Tatla	8.8	19.5	294.1	low
Tatlayoko	6.9	18.0	36.3	low
Temapho	8.9	31.1	296.0	low
Ten Mile	7.9	8.5	37.7	low
Three Valley	7.5	8.4	22.9	low

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Tsuniah	7.5	18.0	51.71	low
Tum Tum	7.2	4.9	11.51	moderate
Tunkwa	8.8	29.3	208.5	low
Tuzcha	7.9	23.2	68.8	low
Twin Lake East (Nipet)	8.7	27.5	226.0	low
Tyaughton	8.4	33.9	138.8	low
Tyee	8.4	31.4	172.0	low
Upper Fishem	7.6	21.5	68.8	low
Valerie	8.4	66.0	187.0	low
Vedan	6.7	8.0	26.9	moderate
Venables	8.5	39.6	476.0	low
* Watson	9.2			low
West King	7.9	26.5	81.0	low
White	8.3	41.9	128.8	low
Wilgress	8.2	55.7	134.0	low
Williams	8.8	30.7	293.4	low
Wood	8.5	26.0	138.0	low
Zero	7.0	6.4	20.5	moderate

Notes:

- * sensitivity estimated on basis of pH + sensitivity estimated on basis of:

alkalinity = -10.086 + 0.768 TDS ($r^2 = 0.9056$)

and

calcium = $0.093 \text{ TDS}^{1.12} (r^2 = 0.8341)$

Table 4. Lake Sensitivity Characteristics: Kootenay Region.

Lake Names	рН	Calcium (mg/L)	Alkalinity (mg/L)	Sensitivity Rating
14 Mile	8.4	35.3	200.7	low
Aid	8.1	28.5	122.0	low
Alces	8.4	44.1	127.0	low
Arrow (lower)	8.0	14.8	43.1	low
Arrow (upper)	7.9	14.7	50.7	low
Baird	6.8	24.5	16.6	moderate
* Baynes	8.1			low
Bittern	8.3	51.3	239.6	low
Blackwater	8.2	37.8	136.0	low
Bridal	7.2	4.6	13.6	moderate
+ Campbell	8.5	111.3	420.0	low
Champion #1	7.3	34.6	81.4	low
Champion #2	7.2	24.4	58.9	low
Champion #3	7.1	24.1	57.9	low
Champion #4	7.9	13.8	41.4	low
Cherry	7.5	22.5	76.3	low
Christina	7.8	9.9	32.0	low
Columbia	8.5	31.6	128.0	low
Comfort	8.2	38.9	144.0	low

* Edwards	8.5			low
* Elizabeth	7.7			low
Emerald	8.4	29.1	103.0	low
* Eohippus	7.3			moderate
Fortress	7.9	21.5	67.6	low
Gavia #1	8.6	35.9	274.8	low
Gavia #2	8.4	33.9	251.2	low
Gavia #3	8.1	43.4	318.4	low
* Gog	8.2			low
Grave	8.0		156.0	low
* Grizzly	7.6			low
Hanson (Wasa)	8.6	29.7	207.0	low
Help	8.1	27.1	120.0	low
Hobo	8.2	58.5	251.2	low
Jim Smith	8.6	44.7	212.0	low
Kearns	7.7	47.5	95.5	low
Kiakho	7.6	18.2	68.5	low
Koocanusa	8.2	31.0	95.0	low
Kootenay	8.1		68.0	low
* Larix	8.1			low
Lassie	7.2	4.8		moderate
Lower Arrow	8.0	14.8	43.1	low
Magog	7.9		61.3	low
McNaughton- Kinbasket	7.9	19.5		low
Mica Reservoir	7.9	19.3		low

Mineral	7.9	57.1	213.9	low
Mitten	8.4	43.4	215.6	low
Moyie	7.4	4.2	17.5	moderate
Nancy Green	7.8	8.9	31.6	low
Ninebay	8.6	29.8	290.9	low
Nixon	8.1	30.1	128.0	low
North Star	8.1		227.0	low
O'Hara	8.0	10.3	38.3	low
* Og	7.9			low
Premier	8.6	27.7	161.0	low
* Rock Isle	7.5			low
Slocan	7.8	12.3	36.0	low
St. Mary	7.3	5.7	20.7	moderate
Summitt	8.2		134.0	low
* Sunburst	7.4			low
Suzanne	8.2		248.0	low
Tie	8.3	44.5	240.0	low
Trout	8.0	15.0	40.7	low
Upper Arrow	7.9	14.7	50.7	low
Wapta	8.3	18.5	69.4	low
Wasa (Hanson)	8.6	29.7	207.0	low
* Wedgwood	8.0			low
Whiskey	8.4	38.8	163.3	low
Whiteswan	8.4	36.2	118.0	low
Wilbur	8.3	31.2	218.8	low

Windermere	8.5	23.4	95.0	low
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Notes: * sensitivity estimated on basis of pH + sensitivity estimated on basis of: alkalinity = -10.086 + 0.768 TDS (r² = 0.9056) and calcium = 0.093 TDS^{1.12} (r² = 0.8341)

Table 5. Lake Sensitivity Characteristics: Northern Region.

Lake Names	рН	Calcium (mg/L)	Alkalinity (mg/L)	Sensitivity Rating
Aconitum	7.2	3.6	13.1	high
Acorn	7.1	6.1	20.2	moderate
Aeroplane	8.3	44.2	231.5	low
Aiken	7.3	8.8	22.6	low
Alec Chief	8.0	32.2	111.5	low
Alistair	6.3	1.2	5.4	high
Andy Bailey	7.8	22.6	68.3	low
Atlin	7.8	14.2	49.9	low
Augier	7.1	6.3	24.9	moderate
Azouzetta	8.1	24.0	70.1	low
Babine	7.4	10.8	37.5	low

Barney	8.5	49.5	193.0	low
Batchellor	5.9	0.2	2.4	high
Beale	7.4		14.5	moderate
+ Bear	7.1	5.8	20.6	moderate
Beaver	8.1	35.0	139.4	low
* Bednesti	7.7	13.8	69.8	low
Bell	8.0	30.9	93.8	low
* Berman	7.9			low
Bigelow	7.1	12.1	47.2	low
Birches	8.6	33.8	265.7	low
Blue (Forcier)	8.2	47.9	156.5	low
Bob Quinn	7.4	32.9	63.5	low
Bob Quinn, Little	7.5	32.8	85.1	low
Bobtail, Little	8.0	15.1	89.2	low
Bonney	6.9	3.4	11.5	high
Boomerang, North	8.0	39.9	132.7	low
Boomerang, South	6.9	10.1	34.5	low
Boot	8.3	31.1	107.0	low
Border	6.8	8.0	31.4	moderate
* Bow	7.9			low
Bowser	7.7	14.9	36.8	low
Воуа	8.3	49.2	156.0	low
Buckinghorse	7.9	13.9	42.6	low
Buckley	8.1	11.8	82.4	low

Buckley Point	6.2	0.6	3.5	high
Burden	8.1	34.2	115.5	low
Burns	7.5	12.0	46.6	low
Butte	7.3	4.8	24.3	moderate
* Butterfly	8.3			low
* Byers	8.0			low
* Camp	7.9			low
+ Camp Island	7.8	22.4	92.8	low
Canyon	7.8	14.0	43.9	low
* Carina	7.8			low
Carl	7.7	15.7	52.2	low
Cartmel	7.3	9.7	23.9	low
Chapman	7.0	6.6	24.3	moderate
Chara	7.8	30.2	112.1	low
Charlie		15.6		low
Chesterfield	8.4	43.0	132.5	low
Chief	8.0	9.1	37.3	low
Chinaman	8.1	16.0	65.0	low
Chismania	7.9	23.5	96.3	low
Christina	7.1	4.4	17.7	moderate
Chuchi	7.8	10.0	34.3	low
Chukachida	7.5	10.6	27.8	low
* Circle	7.5			moderate
* Clam	7.1			high
Cold Fish	7.9	17.7	43.7	low

Coles	7.9	27.0	54.5	low
Collins	6.6	4.7	16.5	moderate
Cow	7.8	21.5	67.5	low
Crab	6.3	1.0	4.5	high
* Cry	7.4			low
Dahl	7.8	11.4	67.7	low
Dall	7.9	12.8	41.0	low
Davie	7.3	11.3	37.5	low
Davis	6.7	1.1	4.1	high
Deadwood	8.4		182.0	low
Dease	8.3	29.7	101.0	low
Deception	6.9	13.5	34.9	low
Decker	7.4	11.2	42.5	low
* Deep	6.5			high
Denetiah	8.2	29.4	84.0	low
Desiree	7.0	33.0	64.3	low
Dina	7.9	22.7	81.5	low
Dixie	7.7		35.0	low
* Dominion	7.2			moderate
Dunalter	6.9	8.4	29.7	low
Eaglehead	7.5	7.2	30.3	moderate
Ealue	8.5	51.0	149.0	low
East Klua	8.3	16.7	26.8	low
East Niska	6.7	2.6	10.7	high
East Tuchodi	8.1	35.7	91.8	low

Ecstall	6.8	3.6	8.9	high
+ Ed Asp	7.0	4.2	13.0	moderate
Ed Bird	8.2	43.4		low
Eddontenajon	8.4	38.2	110.0	low
* Eena	7.1			moderate
Ekwan	7.9	44.2	74.9	low
Ella	7.9	16.1	43.6	low
Elwin #1	7.2	11.3	52.7	low
Elwin #2	7.7	9.9	52.1	low
Estsine	8.4	34.6	86.3	low
Etthithum	7.4	13.1	53.8	low
Eutsuk	6.7	3.6	14.5	high
Fern	8.1	38.5	105.0	low
Firth #1	7.4	8.8	34.5	low
Firth #2	8.3	34.4	123.5	low
Fishing	8.2	66.1	194.0	low
Fiussion	6.7	5.5	16.4	moderate
Forcier (Blue)	8.2	47.9	156.5	low
* Francois	7.8			low
Frank Ogilve	6.5	0.7	4.6	high
Fraser	8.2	12.2	44.9	low
Fred Wright	6.9	3.6	12.0	high
Fredrikson	6.6	4.6	15.0	moderate
Gamble	5.8	0.2	2.45	high
Germansen	7.6	14.4	42.8	low

Gladys #1	6.6		5.1	high
Gladys #2	7.9	10.6	37.4	low
Goodhope	8.3	51.4	147.0	low
Goosly	7.2	11.6	30.0	low
Graveyard	8.5	51.1	194.0	low
Grizzly	7.4	10.4	49.1	low
+ Gun	8.3	18.0	74.4	low
Haggen #1	5.9	1.0	4.9	high
Haggen #2	7.5	53.6	240.0	low
Haggen #3	6.3	3.1	23.0	high
Haggen #4	6.4	2.0	7.3	high
Haggen #5	6.1	1.4	10.7	high
Halfmoon	8.1	21.6	65.4	low
Hall	7.8	11.9	45.3	low
Нарру	8.0	14.0	49.0	low
Hard	7.0	2.8	11.2	high
Haworth	8.3	36.7	91.9	low
Hayward	6.2	0.4	2.7	high
Helen	7.6	25.6	69.8	low
Hilltout	7.3	10.3	20.7	low
Hluey	7.0		186.0	low
Hodkin	6.5	3.7	11.0	high
Horneline	8.3	53.3	173.0	low
Horseranch	8.3	36.9	187.0	low
* Hottah	6.9			moderate

Indian	8.2	18.4	75.3	low
Intada	7.8	13.6	45.3	low
Island	7.3	5.8	18.9	moderate
Jennings	7.2	3.3	15.5	high
Jennings (south basin)	7.2	3.0	13.4	high
+ Johanson	7.3	10.5	42.1	low
Johia	6.8	3.3	12.3	high
Johnston	6.9	3.6	9.7	high
July	8.1	27.8	73.6	low
Kaham	7.2	5.0	15.1	moderate
Kakiddi	7.4	24.5	71.9	low
Kalum Road Pond #1	5.7	0.2	1.7	high
* Kathie	7.6			low
Kathlyn	7.1	7.0	19.9	moderate
Kazchek	7.8	20.8	67.0	low
Kedahda	8.1	24.2	57.9	low
Kelsall	6.9	3.1	11.4	high
Khtada	6.3	1.0	4.5	high
Kinaskan	7.9	26.9	74.2	low
Kitchener	7.4	9.7	29.6	low
Kitsumkalum	6.8	5.2	16.1	moderate
Kitwanga	7.8	13.9	51.1	low
Klinket	7.5	7.0	28.9	moderate
Klinkit	7.6	7.9	29.3	moderate

Klock	7.8	21.7	68.7	low
Klowee	7.7	15.2	42.1	low
Klua East	8.3	16.7	26.8	low
Klua West	8.0	21.8	57.0	low
Kluachesi	8.4	49.5	165.0	low
Kluachon	8.3	44.4	145.0	low
Kluea	8.1	38.9	93.3	low
Kotcho	7.0	21.6	33.4	low
Kumealon	6.1	0.5	2.8	high
Kuthai	8.2	29.0	121.0	low
Kwinageese	6.8	4.3	13.6	moderate
Kwokville	7.6	20.4	27.2	low
Lachmach	6.0	0.7	3.1	high
Lady Laurier	8.5	41.4	164.0	low
Laidman	7.5	11.4	32.2	low
Lakelse	7.3	8.9	30.0	low
Lava	6.9	3.5	11.4	high
Leverson	6.1	0.7	2.7	high
Lindeman	6.9	3.8	13.4	high
Little Bob Quinn	7.5	32.8	85.1	low
Little Bobtail	8.0	15.1	89.2	low
Little Dease	8.3	32.9	99.1	low
Little Tatsamenie	8.0	24.3	65.3	low
Little Trapper	7.8	19.4	46.6	low
* Long	5.9			high

Long Mountain	8.0		121.5	low
Looncry	8.2	48.5	134.0	low
Lower	6.8	2.3	5.8	high
* Lyon	7.7			low
Marie	6.8	4.2	12.2	moderate
Marion #1	6.2	0.8.	3.4	high
Marion #2	8.8	34.0	112.0	low
Mason	5.5	4.2	4.7	high
Mathors	6.2	1.4	4.7	high
Maxhamish	8.3	39.0	83.6	low
Mayer	5.0	1.3		high
McBride	6.7	5.2	19.4	moderate
McDame	8.2	43.1	129.0.	low
McDowell	6.8	9.6	32.6	low
* McLeod	7.7			low
McQuarrie	7.9	13.8	42.0	low
Meek	6.7	2.5	8.0	high
Mesantan	7.4	9.1	22.7.	low
Mess	8.1	26.0	98.1	low
Meziadin	7.3	12.4	31.6	low
Midwinter	8.0	22.4.	59.5	low
* Milk	6.3			high
Milo	7.2	10.2	24.0	low
Moodie #1	8.5	36.2	194.0	low
Moodie #3	8.3	46.4	213.2	low

Moose #1	7.5	10.5	44.4	low
Moose #2	8.1	18.0.	64.9	low
Moose #3	8.1	22.1	81.7	low
Morchuea	8.2	29.9	100.7	low
Morice	6.9	6.2	17.1	moderate
Mosquito	7.2	5.4	16.9	moderate
Mowchilla	7.6	21.5	61.2	low
Mowdade	7.7	30.9	79.6.	low
* Murch	7.6			low
Nadsilnich, West	8.0	11.8	50.0	low
Nanika	6.5	4.1	11.9	moderate
Nass	7.8	8.0	49.4	low
Ndakdolk (Sarah)	6.4	0.8	3.6	high
Nellian	7.2	5.3	12.0	moderate
Ness	8.3	18.7	76.0	low
Netson	8.1	56.9	187.0	low
+ Nina	7.8	13.6	56.0	low
Niska, East	6.7	2.6	10.7	high
Niska, West	6.7	2.8	13.2	high
Nome	6.8	2.4	9.7	high
North Boomerang	8.0	39.9	132.7	low
Nukko	8.0	8.9	35.9	low
Nulki	8.1	16.6	81.0	low
Nuttlude	7.4	19.4	60.5	low
* Odell	6.5			high

Onion	6.3	0.9	2.8	high
* Opatcho	7.9			low
Outaanetdey	7.4	12.3	22.8	low
Pam	6.5	2.2	5.7	high
Parker	7.6	39.4	49.0	low
Patry	7.2	9.8	18.1	moderate
Paul	6.9	4.5	13.4	moderate
Pelly	8.4	41.7	125.0	low
Peter (Piper)	6.8	3.9	11.1	high
Pinchi	8.0	16.0	77.8	low
Pine Tree	7.1	10.8	37.5	low
Pinkut	7.2	7.6	28.6	moderate
Piper (Peter)	6.8	3.9	11.1	high
* Plantation	6.0			high
Pondosy	6.6	5.2	15.6	moderate
Poorman	8.1	42.5	132.0	low
Prairie	7.8	16.3	68.6	low
Prudhomme	6.4	1.5	5.0	high
Punchaw	8.2	12.2	55.7	low
* Purden	7.4			low
Quality	8.3	36.3	146.0	low
Quentin	8.1	35.2	84.2	low
* Rainbow #1	7.4			moderate
Rainbow #2	5.5	0.4	3.0	high
Ridgeway	8.4	41.7	141.0	low

Richie	7.7	24.8	68.9	low
Ross	7.2	12.5	37.9	low
Rossa-2 (Six Mile)	7.9	9.7	37.2	low
Round (Lacroix)	8.5	26.0	113.0	low
Sand	7.5	10.4	32.3	low
Sarah (Ndakdolk)	6.4	0.8	3.6	high
* Sawmill	7.5			moderate
* Saxton	7.7			low
Scoop	8.7	27.6	273.0	low
Seeley	7.4	18.2	47.5	low
Seymour	7.4	7.8	38.7	moderate
Shawatlan	7.0	3.2	9.2	high
Shiela	6.9	5.7	15.8	moderate
Six Mile (Rossa- 2)	7.9	9.7	37.2	low
Skidegate	7.1	4.7	15.4	moderate
* Skunk	7.9			low
Sloko	7.6	13.4	38.3	low
Snake	7.6	32.7	79.4	low
Solitary	8.5	35.4	207.2	low
Sorensons Pond	8.4		174.0	low
South Boomerang	6.9	10.1	34.5	low
Spinel	8.2	31.4	85.3	low
Stalk	7.3	8.2	21.4	low
Stuart	7.6	12.6	44.2	low

Sucker	6.8	2.2	14.0	high
+ Sukunka	7.7	23.7	98.2	low
Summit	8.4	25.3	115.0	low
* Summitt	7.1			moderate
Surel	6.6	4.0	13.6	moderate
Surprise #1	7.7	6.9	35.8	moderate
Surprise #2	7.8	7.3	31.7	moderate
Sustut	7.5	12.1	32.2	low
Swan #1	7.1	5.6	17.5	moderate
Swan #2	8.2	23.5	98.0	low
Swans	7.4	7.7	38.3	moderate
Swift	7.7	9.7	35.5	low
Tabor	8.1	20.7	70.6	low
Tachick	8.2	20.0	99.0	low
Tachilta	7.9	18.1	66.4	low
Tahtsa	6.6	6.0	20.3	moderate
Takatoot	7.4	12.3	39.4	low
Taltapin	7.4	9.2	36.6	low
Tatlatui	7.3	13.8	22.0	low
Tatogga	8.1	30.9	90.5	low
Tatsamenie	8.0	25.6	67.8	low
Tatsamenie, Little	8.0	24.3	65.3	low
Tchentlo	7.8	10.6	39.0	low
Tchesinkut	7.9	17.0	63.6	low
Teigen	6.4	4.3	10.5	moderate

Telsa	6.6	5.0	15.5	moderate
Tetachuck	6.7	4.4	15.3	moderate
Thinahtea	7.9	36.2	87.5	low
Thirty Mile	8.1	18.4	86.0	low
Thutade	7.3	8.5	20.1	low
* Tobin	7.1			low
Toboggan	6.3	4.3	8.2	high
Todagin	8.0	35.6	87.0	low
Tom MacKay	6.4	2.8	9.4	high
Tomias	8.0	18.4	56.7	low
Tootsee	7.3	6.8	25.5	moderate
Тор	7.6	14.2	46.2	low
Trapper, Little	7.8	19.4	46.6	low
Trout	7.7	8.1	27.6	low
Trygve	7.6	10.6	30.8	low
* Tsayta	7.8			low
Tsenaglode	7.9	13.1	44.8	low
* Tucha	7.9			low
* Tucho	6.9			moderate
Tuchodi, East	8.1	35.7	91.8	low
Tuchodi, West	7.9	40.9	82.7	low
Tumeka	7.9	12.7	53.0	low
Turnagain	8.3	31.1	93.1	low
* Turner	6.8			high
Tutizzi	7.2	6.3	18.5	moderate

+ Tuya	7.4	7.8	29.8	moderate
Twin Island	8.3	62.4	240.7	low
Tyhee	8.2	35.1	128.1	low
Unnamed #1 (1132407)	7.0	6.9	13.1	moderate
Unuk	6.7	8.4	16.3	moderate
* Uslika	6.9	3.3	8.3	high
Vallee	7.1	20.4	61.8	low
Victoria	8.0	18.6	84.8	low
Vincentt	8.3	31.2	133.0	low
* Vivian	8.2			low
+ Wasi		10.5	42.1	low
* Wedge	7.1			moderate
Weissener	8.3	43.7	126.3	low
West Klua	8.0	21.8	57.0	low
West Nadsilnich	8.0	11.8	50.0	low
West Niska	6.7	2.8	13.2	high
West Tuchodi	7.9	40.9	82.7	low
Whitefish	7.6	15.0	47.1	low
Whitesail	6.7	4.7	18.3	moderate
Williamson		11.0		low
Williston Reservoir	7.8	15.3	53.0	low
Wokkpash	8.2	19.6	68.5	low
Woodcock	7.5	13.6	57.9	low
Woodworth	6.6	2.9	8.7	high

Yakoun	6.6	2.3	6.6	high	
* Yehiniko	7.8	13.3	36.9	low	

Notes:

- * sensitivity estimated on basis of pH + sensitivity estimated on basis of:

alkalinity =
$$-10.086 + 0.768$$
 TDS ($r^2 = 0.9056$)

and

calcium = $0.093 \text{ TDS}^{1.12} (r^2 = 0.8341)$

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