

# **Swan Canning Estuary Water Quality Monitoring Project**

## **Weekly Water Quality Report**

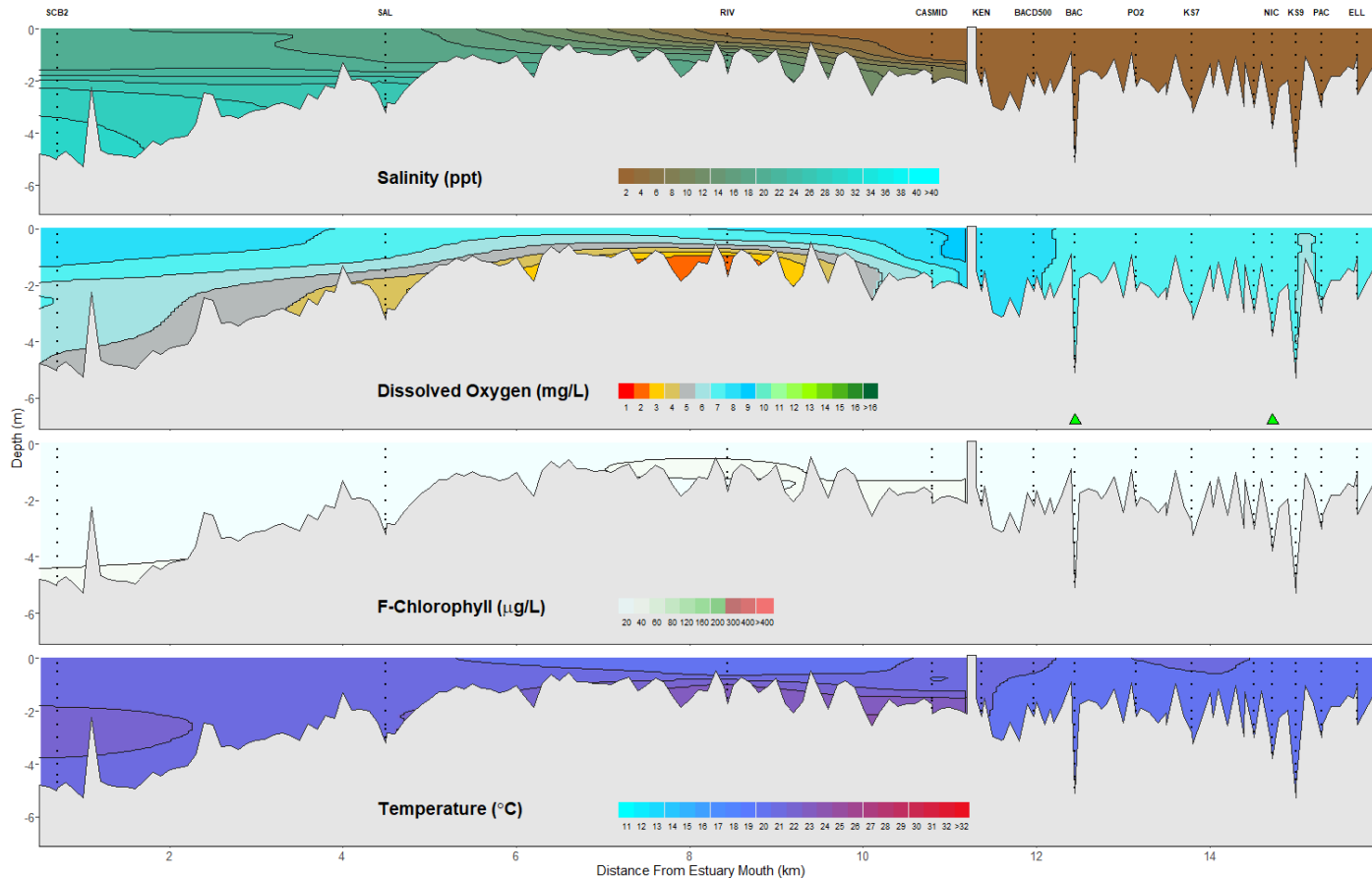
### **Canning Estuary and Lower Canning River**

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Weather & tide conditions: Conditions were overcast with an easterly breeze up to 13.4 knots. The predicted tides at Barrack St were 0.62 m at 6:09 am (low tide) and 0.79 m 12:38 pm (high tide). Perth recorded 7 mm of rainfall in the week prior to sampling (Bureau of Meteorology).

Oxygenation: The Bacon St and Nicholson Rd oxygenation plants were operating and providing oxygen in the 24 hours prior to sampling.

Canning Estuary (SCB2 to CASMID): The Canning Estuary was brackish over saline at SCB2, brackish at SAL, and fresh over brackish from RIV to CASMID. Waters were oxygenated to well oxygenated except for bottom waters at SAL (low oxygen) and RIV (hypoxic). Chlorophyll fluorescence was low and water temperatures ranged from 19.4 to 22.8 °C.

Lower Canning River (KEN to ELL): The Lower Canning River was fresh and oxygenated to well oxygenated with low chlorophyll fluorescence throughout. Water temperatures ranged from 19.1 to 20.3 °C.

NB: Profile plots are visual interpolations of measured parameters only. Detailed data are available at [wir.water.wa.gov.au](http://wir.water.wa.gov.au).

**Oxygenation Plant Operational Status:**

- ▲ Operating for part or all of the 24 hours prior to sampling
- ▲ Operable but not triggered to operate in the 24 hours prior to sampling
- ▲ Inoperable for part or all of the 24 hours prior to sampling

**Definitions:**

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

Dissolved oxygen – well oxygenated >6 mg L<sup>-1</sup>, oxygenated >4-6 mg L<sup>-1</sup>, low oxygen >2-4 mg L<sup>-1</sup>, hypoxic 0.5-2 mg L<sup>-1</sup>, anoxic <0.5 mg L<sup>-1</sup>

Chlorophyll fluorescence (low flow): low < 50 µg L<sup>-1</sup>, moderate 50-150 µg L<sup>-1</sup>, high 150-400 µg L<sup>-1</sup>, extreme > 400 µg L<sup>-1</sup>