Kawkawlin River Watershed Pathogen/Nutrient Management Workgroup

Monday, April 19, 2010
Bay County Health Department

Subcommittee Assignments

- ✓ Assessment of bacterial contamination (namely E. Coli) and potential causes.
- ✓ Investigate by coordination of data: current OSDS records, bacterial testing, land use and other data as developed by other work groups
- ✓ Integrate data into GIS maps, determining areas/parcels "at risk" or showing signs of failure/contribution to contamination
- ✓ Recommend BMP's, develop action plans

BCHD Current Plans Regarding Bacterial Investigations

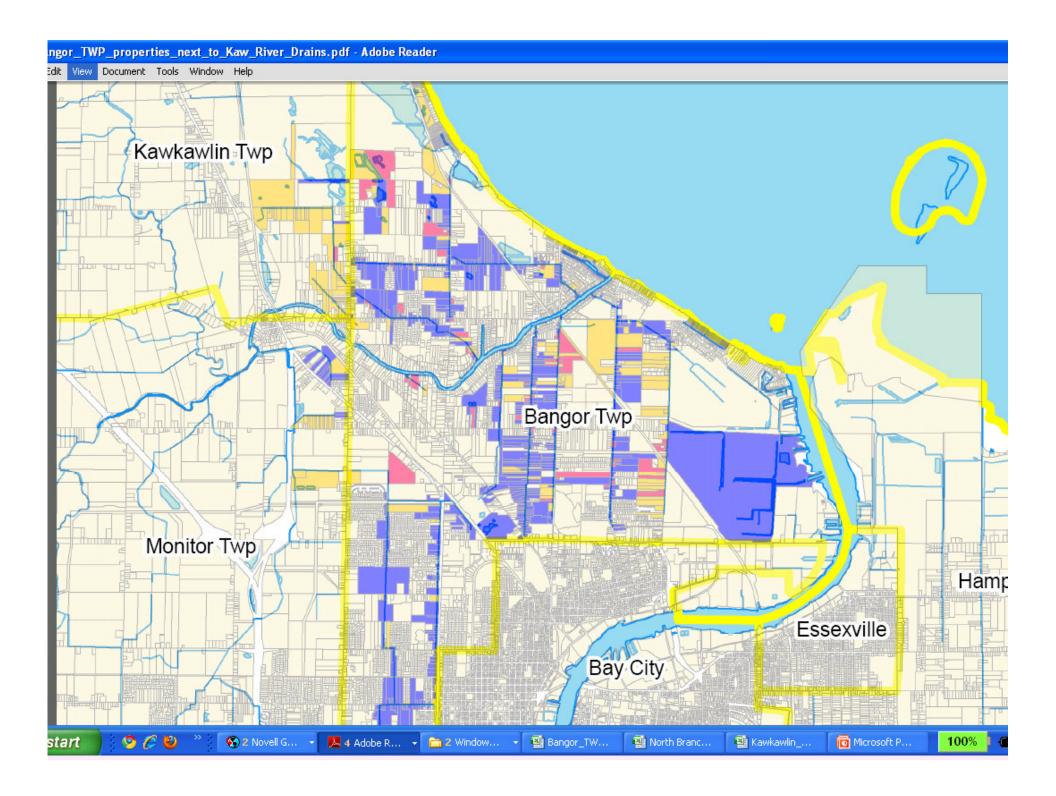
- Follow up on IDEP investigations
- Purchase EH software, create database of septic systems located on the watershed; create GIS maps of watershed and septics by risk level
- Survey homeowners regarding septic systems and operations.
- Follow up on survey with inspections to systems considered to be "at-risk."

The Investigation, Continued

- Looked for information on 1,068 parcels (not incl. the 790 parcels) that are directly adjacent to the main branch of the river.
- Of those 1,068 parcels :
- We found 191 (not incl. 342) were not listed as being connected to municipal sewer and we have no records of any OSDS connections.
- 798 (not incl. 171 were connected to municipal sewage
- 177 (not incl. 271) had OSDS records associated with them.
- Median age of OSDS was 36 years or installed in 1974.

The Investigation, Continued

- Further investigate missing data areas*:
 - Hidden Rd.; Old Kawkawlin Rd; Barnett Dr.;
 Kawkawlin River Dr.; Wheeler Rd.; Beaver Rd.
- Looking to investigate illicit discharges with infrared equipment on parcels adjacent to the river Fall 2009 -Spring of 2010
- Follow up with surveys and on-site inspections, if necessary.



Game Changers (For Lack of A Better Term....)

- \$80,000 to come up with a predictive model for Bay County Beaches
- Additional \$10,000 comprehensive sanitary survey of BCSRA
- Potential \$250,000 for other sanitary funds from GLRI
- Potential \$40,000 for new rapid testing equipment
- Potential \$80,000 for additional predictive modeling
- Potential \$4,000,000 for septic replacements in Bay,
 Arenac, Huron and Tuscola Counties

NEXT KRWMP BACTERIAL MTGS.

Monday May 10
Monday June 7
Monday July 12
Monday August 9

ALL DATES:

3:00 pm @ The Health Dept.

Questions or Comments?

