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Wisconsin Rapids Project, FERC No. 2256 - Article 409 (Purple Loosetrife Monitoring – Biennial Report for 2008/2009)

Dear Secretary:

Article 409 of the Wisconsin Rapids Hydroelectric Project License and the Order approving and modifying Consolidated Water Power Company's (CWPCo) Purple Loosetrife Monitoring Plan required annual monitoring of the noxious plant within project waters, filing a report every two years. Enclosed are the results from monitoring for 2008 and 2009 with accompanying project maps indicating approximate locations of the sightings. In 2010, we are planning to plant beetles at site #12. Site #12 with the large purple loosetrife population and evidence of beetle activity should provide a stable environment for the beetles.

Sincerely,

CONSOLIDATED WATER POWER COMPANY



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Enclosure: Purple Loosetrife Location Maps

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Regulatory Commission (paper copy)
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Ms. Louise Clemency, U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service, Green Bay, WI (electronically)
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Wisconsin Rapids Hydroelectric Project - Purple Loosestrife Monitoring for 2006/2007

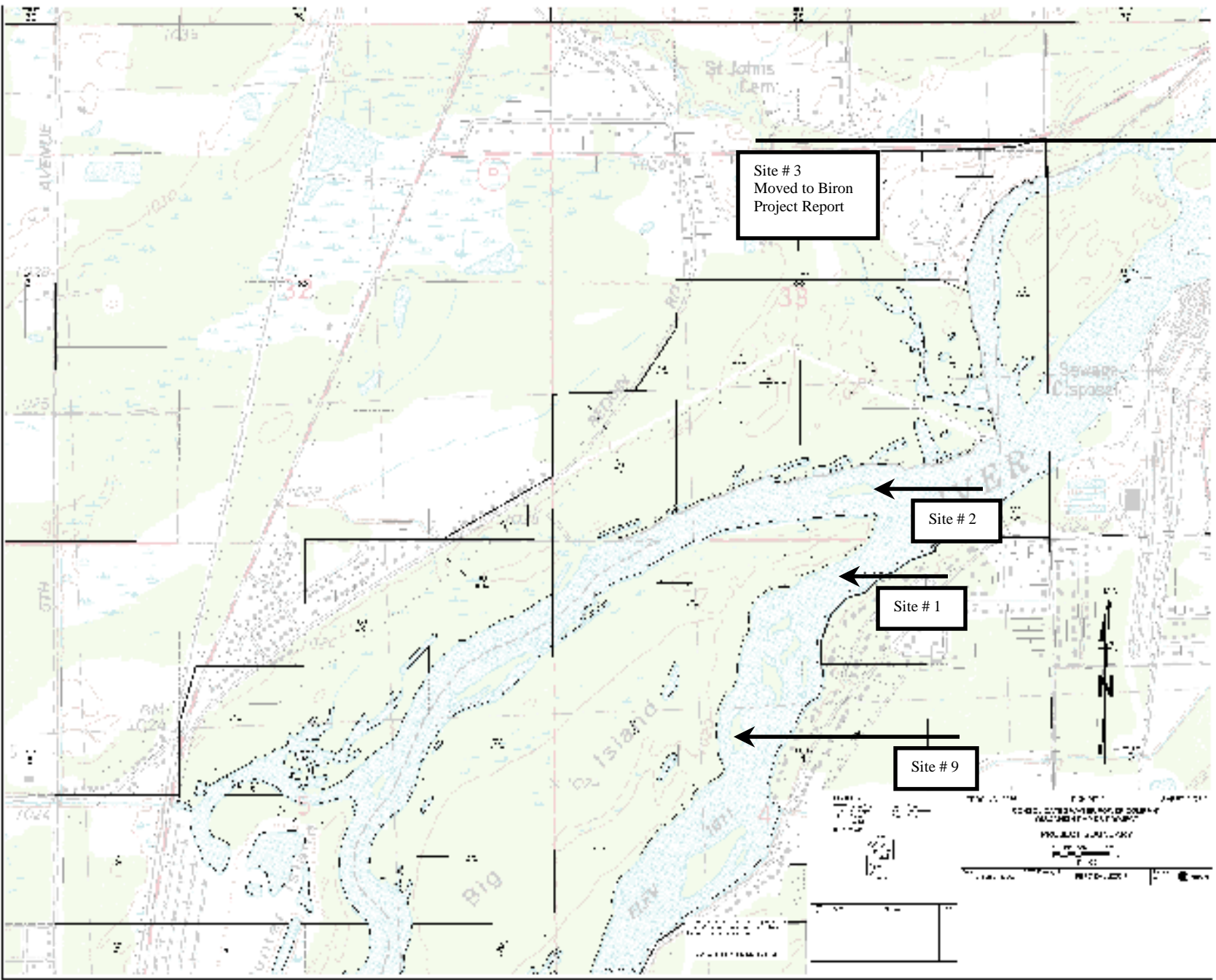
1. Introduction.

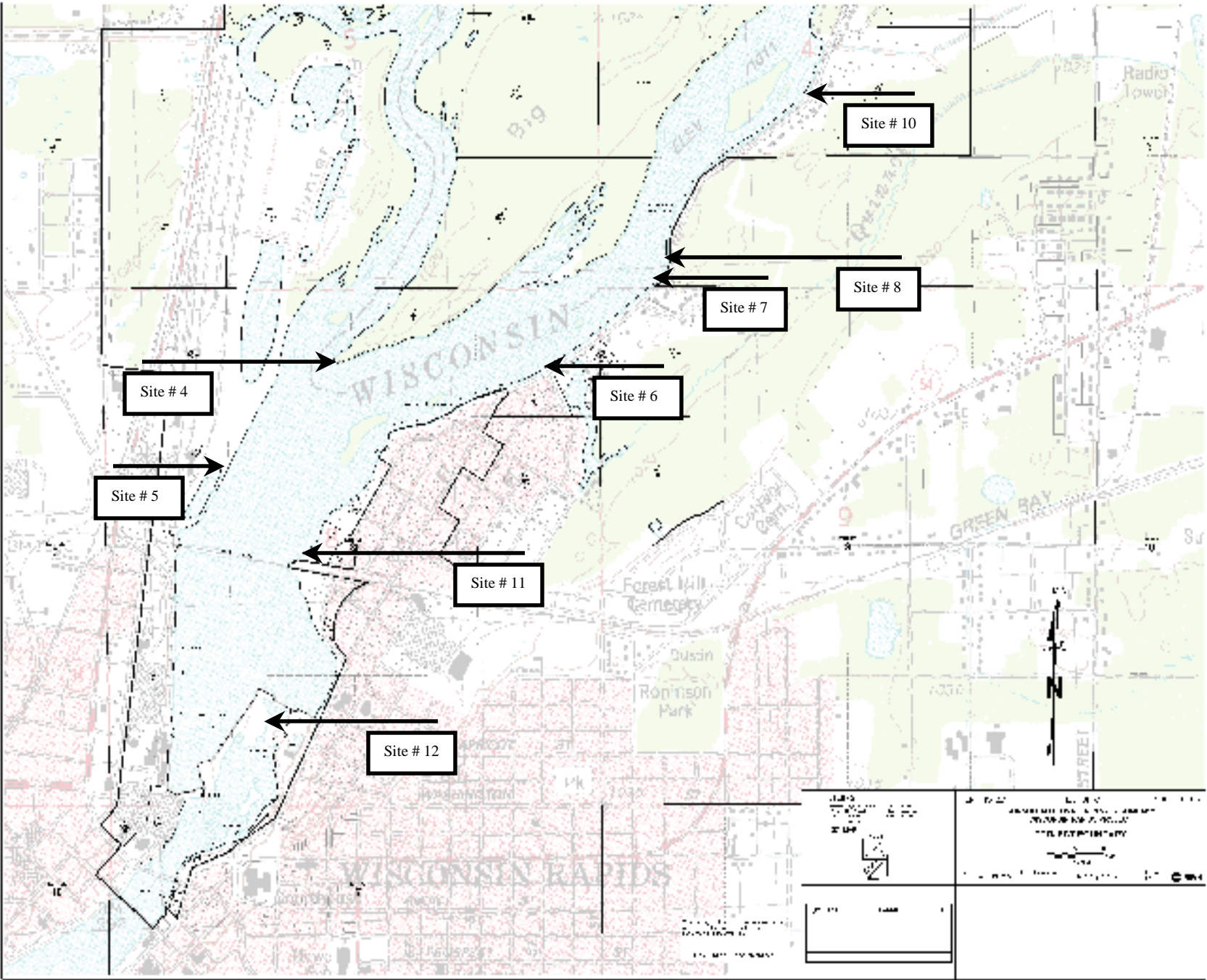
Consolidated Water Power Company (CWPCo) conducted Purple Loosestrife monitoring during the summers of 2008 and 2009 while the plants were in full bloom. In accordance with the plan developed by CWPCo and modified and approved by the FERC, small colonies would be mapped and removed to the best extent possible while larger colonies would be mapped only. Additionally, CWPCo provides invasive species information on our recreational maps which we distribute free of charge to the public.

2. Flowage Monitoring.

Flowage monitoring consists of a combination of river and road surveys. Some areas are only accessible by boat. To remain consistent from previous years we have kept site numbering the same, even though some sites no longer exist.

Site No	Site Description	Density	GPS Coordinates	Action Taken
1	Small bedrock outcrop	2 plts	16T 0277352 4922465	2008 – Dug out 2 plants 2009 – None observed
2	Sandy shoreline of a small island	2-3 plts	16T 0277625 4922844	2008 – Monitored 2009 – Dug out 2 plants
3	Island below base of Biron Dam – Out of Project Boundary, further observations will be under Biron Project Report			
4	S. Tip of Big Island	No plts	16T 0275608 4920927	2008 – Monitored 2009 – Monitored
5	SE Shoreline of Hunter Island	3-5 plts	16T 0275920 4921946	2008 – Monitored 2009 – Dug out 3 plants
6	E Shoreline adjacent to Pleasant View Lane	1-2 plts	16T 0276299 4920907	2008 – Monitored 2009 – Dug out 2 plants
7	Small Island and E Shoreline East of Big Island	2-4 plts	16T 0276888 4921596	2008 – Monitored 2009 – Monitored
8	E. Shoreline			2008 – No plants observed 2009 – No plants observed
9	E. Shoreline of Big Island			2008 – No plants observed 2009 – No plants observed
10	Sm Island E of Big Island near Cranberry ditch outfall	1 plts	16T 0277348 4922422	2008 – Monitored 2009 – Dug out 1 plant
11	E Shoreline near Canoe Take Out	No plts	16T 0275708 4920633	2008 – Monitored 2009 – Monitored
12	Tail water area of Spillway Section	50 - 100 plts		2008 – Monitored 25 plants 2009 – Monitored about 100 plants, evidence of beetles eating leaves





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