Macro-invertebrates are Good Indicators Because:

- They don't move much.
- Sensitive to change.
- Results of sampling are easy to interpret.
- Sampling is relatively easy, requires few people and inexpensive gear, and has minimal detrimental effect on the resident biota.
- Benthic macro-invertebrates are abundant in most streams.

Intolerant Species



Water Penny Larvae



Dobsonfly Larvae



Stonefly Nymph



Mayfly Nymph

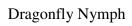
Moderately Tolerant Species





Crayfish Clam and Mussel

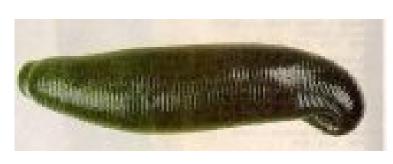






Damselfly Nymph

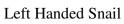
Tolerant Species





Leech Midges







Aquatic Worms