

CWMN Winter Visual Assessment

Site Name:	Date (mm/dd/yyyy):
Monitor Name(s):	Start Time:
	End Time:

Winter Visual Assessment (Circle one)

What are the current weather conditions?				
Did you take a picture of your site?	Yes		No	
Is the water frozen at your shoreline site?	Yes		No	
Is the whole pond surface fully frozen?	Yes		No	
Are there patches of ice on the surface?	Yes		No	
What color is the ice? (see reference guide)	White	Black	Snow-covered (cannot determine)	Other (describe):
How would you describe the ice surface conditions?	Smooth	Jagged	Pancake	Other (describe):
Can you safely see through the ice?	Yes		No	
If yes, what is the water color?	Clear	Green	Brown	Other (describe):
If yes, do you see plants or wildlife under the ice?	Yes (describe):		No	
Is there snow on top of the ice?	Yes		No	
If yes, how much snow would you estimate is on top?				
Are there birds or other wildlife on or around the pond?	Yes (describe):		No	
Are humans recreating on or around the pond?	Yes		No	
If yes, how many and what they are doing?				
Other observations?				

Ice Visual Assessment Guide

