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Canning waterway

Weekly water quality report
18 August 2026

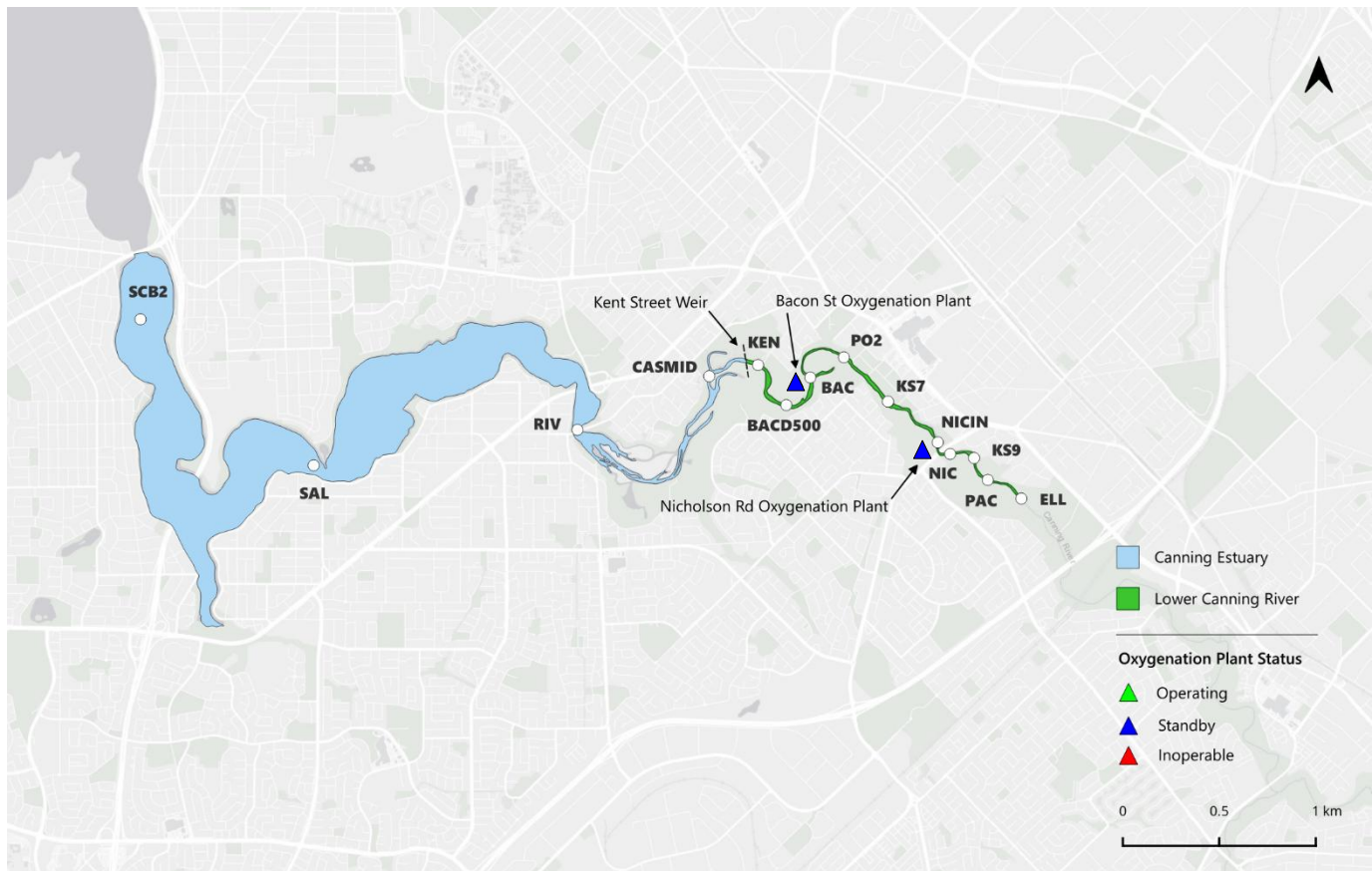
Monitoring conducted on Whadjuk Noongar Country

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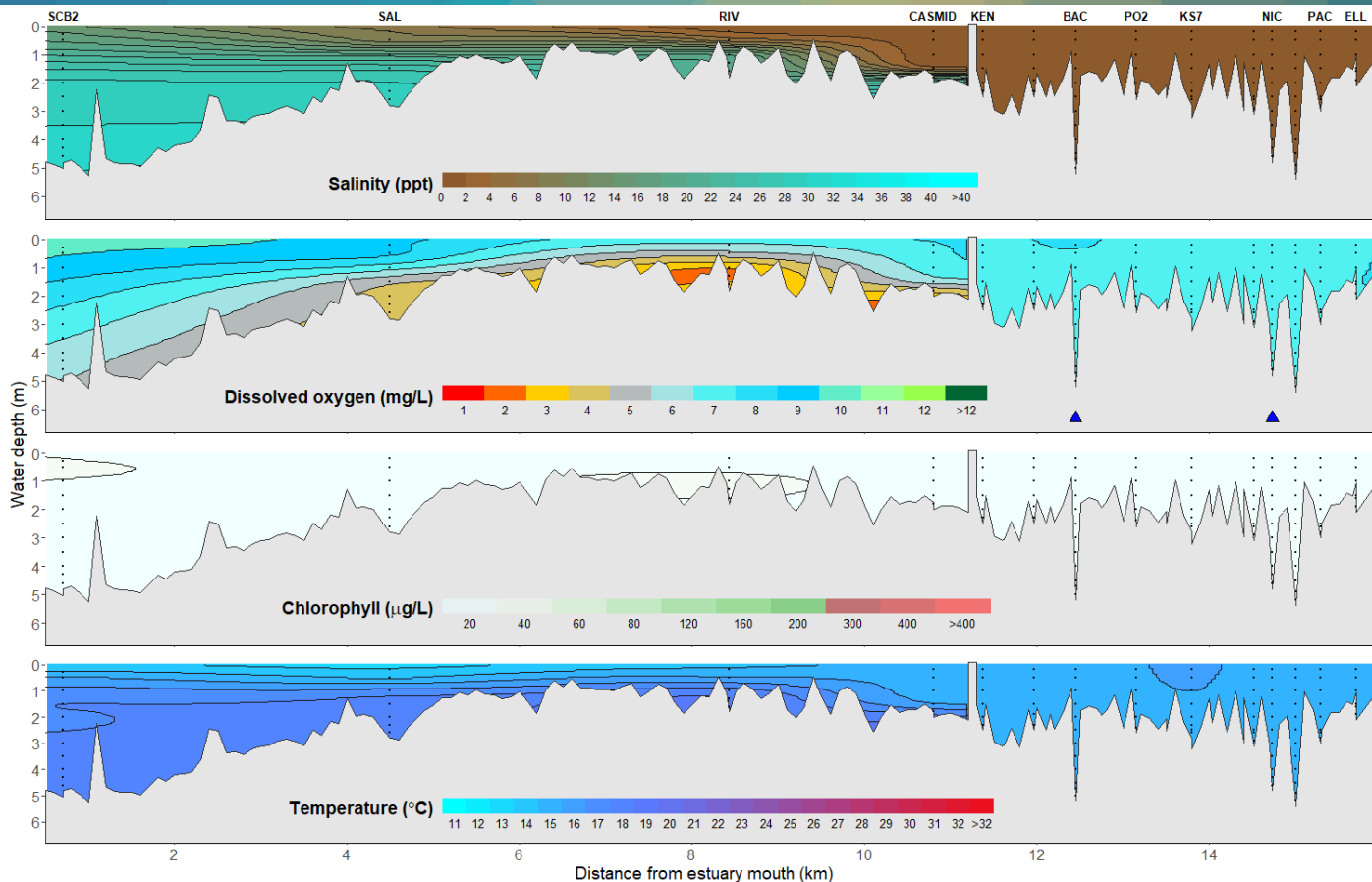
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Note: Profile plots are visual interpolations of measured parameters only. Detailed data are available at wir.water.wa.gov.au.

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Canning Estuary: Waters were mesohaline over euhaline at SCB2, mesohaline over polyhaline at SAL, oligohaline over polyhaline at RIV and fresh over mesohaline at CASMID. Waters were oxygenated or well oxygenated, except for bottom waters from SAL to CASMID which were low in oxygen. Chlorophyll fluorescence was low and water temperatures ranged from 13.2 to 18 °C.

Lower Canning River: The river was flowing and conditions were fresh with well oxygenated waters and low chlorophyll fluorescence. Water temperatures ranged from 14.5 to 15.1 °C.

Season			
Djilba		First spring	
Predicted tides ¹			
High Tide		Low Tide	
1.04 m	2:36 am	0.74 m	6:12 pm

Recorded weather conditions	
Skies	Overcast
Wind direction	Variable
Wind speed (max)	5.5 knots
Air temperature ² (max)	18.9 °C
Rainfall ² (in week prior)	5.6 mm

Definitions

Salinity (ppt)³ – fresh: <0.5; oligohaline: 0.5 – 5; mesohaline: >5 – 18; polyhaline: >18 – 30; euhaline: >30 – 40; hyperhaline: >40.

Dissolved oxygen (mg/L)⁴ – anoxic: 0; hypoxic: >0 – 2; low oxygen: >2 – 4; oxygenated: >4 – 6; well oxygenated: >6.

Chlorophyll fluorescence (µg/L)⁵ – low: <50; moderate: 50 – 150; high: >150 - 400, very high: >400.

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Recommended reference for this report

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