



QUINNIPIAC RIVER FUND FINAL REPORT- 2020

Please complete and submit completed form via e-mail to dcanning@cfgnh.org at The Community Foundation for Greater New Haven by March 31, 2021 (or as otherwise stated on the terms of grant).

Date: _____

Group/Organization Name: __Yale University_____

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Telephone #: _____ 203-432-5748 _____

Project Name: __Quinnipiac River Marsh Studies 2020_____

Grant Number: __20201267_____

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Please respond to the following statements:

1. List the specific objectives/outcomes of the project and tell how they were met during the grant period. Also, provide an update on any special conditions of the grant (if applicable).

A. Monitor 9 long-term elevation plots in spring 2020.

B. Determine vegetation extent and water salinity in one lobe of the marsh in summer 2020.

2. Please share your successes, challenges and any lessons learned through the implementation of your project. Were there any unintended consequences or lessons learned that may affect how you operate your program moving forward?

The pandemic, of course, threw a wrench into our plans. We did not sample at all in 2020, but were able to get out in spring 2021 to sample the elevation plots and are planning on doing the same this May. The aerial photography was not possible because the person who has done that with us in the past was not available due to pandemic disruptions.

3. What are the opportunities and needs of your organization as it continues to move forward with its work to positively impact the Quinnipiac River?

I plan to continue sampling the long-term elevation plots every year or two, but my other work on the river is on hold as I re-evaluate how I can best impact the Quinnipiac and balance that with my other commitments.

Also, please email a photo or image that can be uploaded along with your report to The Quinnipiac River Fund website to dcanning@cfgnh.org.