

APPENDIX C  
WATER QUALITY NETWORK HABITAT ASSESSMENT FORMS



COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA  
DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION  
BUREAU OF POINT AND NON-POINT SOURCE MANAGEMENT

## WATER QUALITY NETWORK HABITAT ASSESSMENT

WATERBODY NAME Little Buck Run STR CODE/RMI 63802  
STATION NUMBER 1 LOCATION See attached map  
DATE 11/29/17 TIME 1105  
AQUATIC ECOREGION 2 COUNTY Chester  
INVESTIGATORS ASC, BS  
FORM COMPLETED BY ASC

### RIFLE/RUN PREVALENCE

Habitat Parameter	Category			
	Optimal	Suboptimal	Marginal	Poor
1. Instream Cover (Fish)	Greater than 50% mix of boulder, cobble, submerged logs, undercut banks, or other stable habitat.	30-50% mix of boulder, cobble, or other stable habitat; adequate habitat.	10-30% mix of boulder, cobble, or other stable habitat; habitat availability less than desirable.	Less than 10% mix of boulder, cobble, or other stable habitat; lack of habitat is obvious.
SCORE <u>17</u>	20 19 18 <u>17</u> 16	15 14 13 12 11	10 9 8 7 6	5 4 3 2 1
2. Epifaunal Substrate	Well developed riffle and run, riffle is as wide as stream and length extends two times the width of stream; abundance of cobble.	Riffle is as wide as stream but length is less than two times width; abundance of cobble; boulders and gravel common.	Run area may be lacking; riffle not as wide as stream and its length is less than two times the stream width; gravel or large boulders and bedrock prevalent; some cobble present.	Riffles or run virtually nonexistent; large boulders and bedrock prevalent; cobble lacking.
SCORE <u>19</u>	20 <u>19</u> 18 17 16	15 14 13 12 11	10 9 8 7 6	5 4 3 2 1
3. Embeddedness	Gravel, cobble, and boulder particles are 0-25% surrounded by fine sediment.	Gravel, cobble, and boulder particles are 25-50% surrounded by fine sediment.	Gravel, cobble, and boulder particles are 50-75% surrounded by fine sediment.	Gravel, cobble, and boulder particles are more than 75% surrounded by fine sediment.
SCORE <u>16</u>	20 19 18 17 <u>16</u>	15 14 13 12 11	10 9 8 7 6	5 4 3 2 1
4. Velocity/Depth Regimes	All four velocity/depth regimes present (slow-deep, slow-shallow, fast-deep, fast-shallow).	Only 3 of the 4 regimes present (if fast-shallow is missing, score lower than if missing other regimes).	Only 2 of the 4 habitat regimes present (if fast-shallow or slow-shallow are missing, score lower than if missing other regimes).	Dominated by 1 velocity/depth regime (usually slow-deep).
SCORE <u>18</u>	20 19 <u>18</u> 17 16	15 14 13 12 11	10 9 8 7 6	5 4 3 2 1
5. Channel Alteration	No channelization or dredging present.	Some channelization present, usually in areas of bridge abutments; evidence of past channelization, i.e., dredging, (greater than past 20 yr) may be present, but recent channelization is not present.	New embankments present on both banks; and 40-80% of stream reach channelized and disrupted.	Banks shored gabion or cement; over 80% of the stream reach channelized and disrupted.
SCORE <u>16</u>	20 19 18 17 <u>16</u>	15 14 13 12 11	10 9 8 7 6	5 4 3 2 1
Total Side 1 <u>86</u>				



## RIFFLE/RUN PREVALENCE

Habitat Parameter	Category																			
	Optimal					Suboptimal					Marginal					Poor				
6. Sediment Deposition	Little or no enlargement of islands or point bars and less than 5% of the bottom affected by sediment deposition.					Some new increase in bar formation, mostly from coarse gravel; 5-30% of the bottom affected; slight deposition in pools.					Moderate deposition of new gravel, coarse sand on old and new bars; 30-50% of the bottom affected; sediment deposits at obstruction, constriction, and bends; moderate deposition of pools prevalent.					Heavy deposits of fine material, increased bar development; more than 50% of the bottom changing frequently; pools almost absent due to substantial sediment deposition.				
SCORE <u>15</u>	20	19	18	17	16	15	14	13	12	11	10	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1
7. Frequency of Riffles	Occurrence of riffles relatively frequent; distance between riffles divided by the width of the stream equals 5 to 7; variety of habitat.					Occurrence of riffles infrequent; distance between riffles divided by the width of the stream equals 7 to 15.					Occasional riffle or bend; bottom contours provide some habitat; distance between riffles divided by the width of the stream is between 15 to 25.					Generally all flat water or shallow riffles; poor habitat; distance between riffles divided by the width of the stream is between ratio >25.				
SCORE <u>18</u>	20	19	18	17	16	15	14	13	12	11	10	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1
8. Channel Flow Status	Water reaches base of both lower banks and minimal amount of channel substrate is exposed.					Water fills > 75% of the available channel; or <25% of channel substrate is exposed.					Water fills 25-75% of the available channel and/or riffle substrates are mostly exposed.					Very little water in channel and mostly present as standing pools.				
SCORE <u>16</u>	20	19	18	17	16	15	14	13	12	11	10	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1
9. Condition of Banks	Banks stable; no evidence of erosion or bank failure.					Moderately stable; infrequent, small areas of erosion mostly healed over.					Moderately unstable; up to 60% of banks in reach have areas of erosion.					Unstable; many eroded areas; "raw" areas frequent along straight sections and bends; on side slopes, 60-100% of bank has erosional scars.				
SCORE <u>10</u>	20	19	18	17	16	15	14	13	12	11	10	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1
10. Bank Vegetative Protection	More than 90% of the streambank surface covered by vegetation.					70-90% of the stream-bank surface covered by vegetation.					50-70% of the stream-bank surfaces covered by vegetation.					Less than 50% of the streambank surface covered by vegetation.				
SCORE <u>12</u>	20	19	18	17	16	15	14	13	12	11	10	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1
11. Grazing or Other Disruptive Pressure	Vegetative disruption, through grazing or mowing, minimal or not evident; almost all plants allowed to grow naturally.					Disruption evident but not affecting full plant growth potential to any great extent; more than one-half of the potential plant stubble height remaining.					Disruption obvious; patches of bare soil or closely cropped vegetation common; less than one-half of the potential plant stubble height remaining.					Disruption of vegetation is very high; vegetation has been removed to 2 inches or less in average stubble height.				
SCORE <u>19</u>	20	19	18	17	16	15	14	13	12	11	10	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1
12. Riparian Vegetative Zone Width	Width of riparian zone >18 meters; human activities (i.e., parking lots, roadbeds, clear-cuts, lawns, or crops) have not impacted zone.					Width of riparian zone 12-18 meters; human activities have impacted zone only minimally.					Width of riparian zone 6-12 meters; human activities have impacted zone a great deal.					Width of riparian zone <6 meters; little or no riparian vegetation due to human activities.				
SCORE <u>15</u>	20	19	18	17	16	15	14	13	12	11	10	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1
Total Side 2 <u>105</u>																				
Total Score <u>191</u>																				



## WATER QUALITY NETWORK HABITAT ASSESSMENT

WATERBODY NAME Little Buck Run STR CODE/RMI 185

STATION NUMBER 2 LOCATION See attached map

DATE 11/29/17 TIME 1035

AQUATIC ECOREGION 2 COUNTY Chester

INVESTIGATORS ASC, BS

FORM COMPLETED BY ASC

**RIFFLE/RUN PREVALENCE**

Habitat Parameter	Category			
	Optimal	Suboptimal	Marginal	Poor
1. Instream Cover (Fish)  SCORE <u>15</u>	Greater than 50% mix of boulder, cobble, submerged logs, undercut banks, or other stable habitat.  20 19 18 17 16	30-50% mix of boulder, cobble, or other stable habitat; adequate habitat.  15 14 13 12 11	10-30% mix of boulder, cobble, or other stable habitat; habitat availability less than desirable.  10 9 8 7 6	Less than 10% mix of boulder, cobble, or other stable habitat; lack of habitat is obvious.  5 4 3 2 1
2. Epifaunal Substrate  SCORE <u>18</u>	Well developed riffle and run, riffle is as wide as stream and length extends two times the width of stream; abundance of cobble.  20 19 18 17 16	Riffle is as wide as stream but length is less than two times width; abundance of cobble; boulders and gravel common.  15 14 13 12 11	Run area may be lacking; riffle not as wide as stream and its length is less than two times the stream width; gravel or large boulders and bedrock prevalent; some cobble present.  10 9 8 7 6	Riffles or run virtually nonexistent; large boulders and bedrock prevalent; cobble lacking.  5 4 3 2 1
3. Embeddedness  SCORE <u>14</u>	Gravel, cobble, and boulder particles are 0-25% surrounded by fine sediment.  20 19 18 17 16	Gravel, cobble, and boulder particles are 25-50% surrounded by fine sediment.  15 14 13 12 11	Gravel, cobble, and boulder particles are 50-75% surrounded by fine sediment.  10 9 8 7 6	Gravel, cobble, and boulder particles are more than 75% surrounded by fine sediment.  5 4 3 2 1
4. Velocity/Depth Regimes  SCORE <u>19</u>	All four velocity/depth regimes present (slow-deep, slow-shallow, fast-deep, fast-shallow).  20 19 18 17 16	Only 3 of the 4 regimes present (if fast-shallow is missing, score lower than if missing other regimes).  15 14 13 12 11	Only 2 of the 4 habitat regimes present (if fast-shallow or slow-shallow are missing, score lower than if missing other regimes).  10 9 8 7 6	Dominated by 1 velocity/depth regime (usually slow-deep).  5 4 3 2 1
5. Channel Alteration  SCORE <u>18</u>	No channelization or dredging present.  20 19 18 17 16	Some channelization present, usually in areas of bridge abutments; evidence of past channelization, i.e., dredging, (greater than past 20 yr) may be present, but recent channelization is not present.  15 14 13 12 11	New embankments present on both banks; and 40-80% of stream reach channelized and disrupted.  10 9 8 7 6	Banks shored gabion or cement; over 80% of the stream reach channelized and disrupted.  5 4 3 2 1
Total Side 1 <u>84</u>				



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6. Sediment Deposition	Little or no enlargement of islands or point bars and less than 5% of the bottom affected by sediment deposition.					Some new increase in bar formation, mostly from coarse gravel; 5-30% of the bottom affected; slight deposition in pools.					Moderate deposition of new gravel, coarse sand on old and new bars; 30-50% of the bottom affected; sediment deposits at obstruction, constriction, and bends; moderate deposition of pools prevalent.					Heavy deposits of fine material, increased bar development; more than 50% of the bottom changing frequently; pools almost absent due to substantial sediment deposition.				
SCORE <u>13</u>	20	19	18	17	16	15	14	13	12	11	10	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1
7. Frequency of Riffles	Occurrence of riffles relatively frequent; distance between riffles divided by the width of the stream equals 5 to 7; variety of habitat.					Occurrence of riffles infrequent; distance between riffles divided by the width of the stream equals 7 to 15.					Occasional riffle or bend; bottom contours provide some habitat; distance between riffles divided by the width of the stream is between 15 to 25.					Generally all flat water or shallow riffles; poor habitat; distance between riffles divided by the width of the stream is between ratio >25.				
SCORE <u>15</u>	20	19	18	17	16	15	14	13	12	11	10	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1
8. Channel Flow Status	Water reaches base of both lower banks and minimal amount of channel substrate is exposed.					Water fills > 75% of the available channel; or <25% of channel substrate is exposed.					Water fills 25-75% of the available channel and/or riffle substrates are mostly exposed.					Very little water in channel and mostly present as standing pools.				
SCORE <u>20</u>	20	19	18	17	16	15	14	13	12	11	10	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1
9. Condition of Banks	Banks stable; no evidence of erosion or bank failure.					Moderately stable; infrequent, small areas of erosion mostly healed over.					Moderately unstable; up to 60% of banks in reach have areas of erosion.					Unstable; many eroded areas; "raw" areas frequent along straight sections and bends; on side slopes, 60-100% of bank has erosional scars.				
SCORE <u>19</u>	20	19	18	17	16	15	14	13	12	11	10	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1
10. Bank Vegetative Protection	More than 90% of the streambank surface covered by vegetation.					70-90% of the streambank surface covered by vegetation.					50-70% of the streambank surfaces covered by vegetation.					Less than 50% of the streambank surface covered by vegetation.				
SCORE <u>19</u>	20	19	18	17	16	15	14	13	12	11	10	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1
11. Grazing or Other Disruptive Pressure	Vegetative disruption, through grazing or mowing, minimal or not evident; almost all plants allowed to grow naturally.					Disruption evident but not affecting full plant growth potential to any great extent; more than one-half of the potential plant stubble height remaining.					Disruption obvious; patches of bare soil or closely cropped vegetation common; less than one-half of the potential plant stubble height remaining.					Disruption of vegetation is very high; vegetation has been removed to 2 inches or less in average stubble height.				
SCORE <u>13</u>	20	19	18	17	16	15	14	13	12	11	10	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1
12. Riparian Vegetative Zone Width	Width of riparian zone >18 meters; human activities (i.e., parking lots, roadbeds, clear-cuts, lawns, or crops) have not impacted zone.					Width of riparian zone 12-18 meters; human activities have impacted zone only minimally.					Width of riparian zone 6-12 meters; human activities have impacted zone a great deal.					Width of riparian zone <6 meters; little or no riparian vegetation due to human activities.				
SCORE <u>13</u>	20	19	18	17	16	15	14	13	12	11	10	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1
Total Side 2 <u>112</u>																				
Total Score <u>196</u>																				





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**WATER QUALITY NETWORK  
HABITAT ASSESSMENT**

WATERBODY NAME Little Buck Run STR CODE/RMI 186  
STATION NUMBER LBR #3 LOCATION See attached map  
DATE 11/29/17 TIME 1015  
AQUATIC ECOREGION 2 COUNTY Chester  
INVESTIGATORS ASC, AS  
FORM COMPLETED BY ASC

**RIFFLE/RUN PREVALENCE**

Habitat Parameter	Category			
	Optimal	Suboptimal	Marginal	Poor
1. Instream Cover (Fish)  SCORE <u>15</u>	Greater than 50% mix of boulder, cobble, submerged logs, undercut banks, or other stable habitat.  20 19 18 17 16	30-50% mix of boulder, cobble, or other stable habitat; adequate habitat.  15 14 13 12 11	10-30% mix of boulder, cobble, or other stable habitat; habitat availability less than desirable.  10 9 8 7 6	Less than 10% mix of boulder, cobble, or other stable habitat; lack of habitat is obvious.  5 4 3 2 1
2. Epifaunal Substrate  SCORE <u>18</u>	Well developed riffle and run, riffle is as wide as stream and length extends two times the width of stream; abundance of cobble.  20 19 18 17 16	Riffle is as wide as stream but length is less than two times width; abundance of cobble; boulders and gravel common.  15 14 13 12 11	Run area may be lacking; riffle not as wide as stream and its length is less than two times the stream width; gravel or large boulders and bedrock prevalent; some cobble present.  10 9 8 7 6	Riffles or run virtually nonexistent; large boulders and bedrock prevalent; cobble lacking.  5 4 3 2 1
3. Embeddedness  SCORE <u>17</u>	Gravel, cobble, and boulder particles are 0-25% surrounded by fine sediment.  20 19 18 17 16	Gravel, cobble, and boulder particles are 25-50% surrounded by fine sediment.  15 14 13 12 11	Gravel, cobble, and boulder particles are 50-75% surrounded by fine sediment.  10 9 8 7 6	Gravel, cobble, and boulder particles are more than 75% surrounded by fine sediment.  5 4 3 2 1
4. Velocity/Depth Regimes  SCORE <u>18</u>	All four velocity/depth regimes present (slow-deep, slow-shallow, fast-deep, fast-shallow).  20 19 18 17 16	Only 3 of the 4 regimes present (if fast-shallow is missing, score lower than if missing other regimes).  15 14 13 12 11	Only 2 of the 4 habitat regimes present (if fast-shallow or slow-shallow are missing, score lower than if missing other regimes).  10 9 8 7 6	Dominated by 1 velocity/depth regime (usually slow-deep).  5 4 3 2 1
5. Channel Alteration  SCORE <u>16</u>	No channelization or dredging present.  20 19 18 17 16	Some channelization present, usually in areas of bridge abutments; evidence of past channelization, i.e., dredging, (greater than past 20 yr) may be present, but recent channelization is not present.  15 14 13 12 11	New embankments present on both banks; and 40-80% of stream reach channelized and disrupted.  10 9 8 7 6	Banks shored gabion or cement; over 80% of the stream reach channelized and disrupted.  5 4 3 2 1
Total Side 1 <u>84</u>				

LBB #3

RIFFLE/RUN PREVALENCE

Habitat Parameter	Category																			
	Optimal					Suboptimal					Marginal					Poor				
6. Sediment Deposition	Little or no enlargement of islands or point bars and less than 5% of the bottom affected by sediment deposition.					Some new increase in bar formation, mostly from coarse gravel; 5-30% of the bottom affected; slight deposition in pools.					Moderate deposition of new gravel, coarse sand on old and new bars; 30-50% of the bottom affected; sediment deposits at obstruction, constriction, and bends; moderate deposition of pools prevalent.					Heavy deposits of fine material, increased bar development; more than 50% of the bottom changing frequently; pools almost absent due to substantial sediment deposition.				
SCORE <u>13</u>	20	19	18	17	16	15	14	13	12	11	10	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1
7. Frequency of Riffles	Occurrence of riffles relatively frequent; distance between riffles divided by the width of the stream equals 5 to 7; variety of habitat.					Occurrence of riffles infrequent; distance between riffles divided by the width of the stream equals 7 to 15.					Occasional riffle or bend; bottom contours provide some habitat; distance between riffles divided by the width of the stream is between 15 to 25.					Generally all flat water or shallow riffles; poor habitat; distance between riffles divided by the width of the stream is between ratio >25.				
SCORE <u>16</u>	20	19	18	17	16	15	14	13	12	11	10	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1
8. Channel Flow Status	Water reaches base of both lower banks and minimal amount of channel substrate is exposed.					Water fills > 75% of the available channel; or <25% of channel substrate is exposed.					Water fills 25-75% of the available channel and/or riffle substrates are mostly exposed.					Very little water in channel and mostly present as standing pools.				
SCORE <u>18</u>	20	19	18	17	16	15	14	13	12	11	10	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1
9. Condition of Banks	Banks stable; no evidence of erosion or bank failure.					Moderately stable; infrequent, small areas of erosion mostly healed over.					Moderately unstable; up to 60% of banks in reach have areas of erosion.					Unstable; many eroded areas; "raw" areas frequent along straight sections and bends; on side slopes, 60-100% of bank has erosional scars.				
SCORE <u>14</u>	20	19	18	17	16	15	14	13	12	11	10	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1
10. Bank Vegetative Protection	More than 90% of the streambank surface covered by vegetation.					70-90% of the stream-bank surface covered by vegetation.					50-70% of the stream-bank surfaces covered by vegetation.					Less than 50% of the streambank surface covered by vegetation.				
SCORE <u>17</u>	20	19	18	17	16	15	14	13	12	11	10	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1
11. Grazing or Other Disruptive Pressure	Vegetative disruption, through grazing or mowing, minimal or not evident; almost all plants allowed to grow naturally.					Disruption evident but not affecting full plant growth potential to any great extent; more than one-half of the potential plant stubble height remaining.					Disruption obvious; patches of bare soil or closely cropped vegetation common; less than one-half of the potential plant stubble height remaining.					Disruption of vegetation is very high; vegetation has been removed to 2 inches or less in average stubble height.				
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12. Riparian Vegetative Zone Width	Width of riparian zone >18 meters; human activities (i.e., parking lots, roadbeds, clear-cuts, lawns, or crops) have not impacted zone.					Width of riparian zone 12-18 meters; human activities have impacted zone only minimally.					Width of riparian zone 6-12 meters; human activities have impacted zone a great deal.					Width of riparian zone <6 meters; little or no riparian vegetation due to human activities.				
SCORE <u>15</u>	20	19	18	17	16	15	14	13	12	11	10	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1
Total Side 2 <u>109</u>																				
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WATERBODY NAME Little Buck Run STR CODE/RMI 185  
STATION NUMBER 4 LOCATION See attached map  
DATE 11/29/17 TIME 0830  
AQUATIC ECOREGION 2 COUNTY Chester  
INVESTIGATORS ASC, RS  
FORM COMPLETED BY ASC

### RIFLE/RUN PREVALENCE

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## RIFFLE/RUN PREVALENCE

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9. Condition of Banks	Banks stable; no evidence of erosion or bank failure.					Moderately stable; infrequent, small areas of erosion mostly healed over.					Moderately unstable; up to 60% of banks in reach have areas of erosion.					Unstable; many eroded areas; "raw" areas frequent along straight sections and bends; on side slopes, 60-100% of bank has erosional scars.				
SCORE <u>20</u>	20	19	18	17	16	15	14	13	12	11	10	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1
10. Bank Vegetative Protection	More than 90% of the streambank surface covered by vegetation.					70-90% of the streambank surface covered by vegetation.					50-70% of the streambank surfaces covered by vegetation.					Less than 50% of the streambank surface covered by vegetation.				
SCORE <u>20</u>	20	19	18	17	16	15	14	13	12	11	10	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1
11. Grazing or Other Disruptive Pressure	Vegetative disruption, through grazing or mowing, minimal or not evident; almost all plants allowed to grow naturally.					Disruption evident but not affecting full plant growth potential to any great extent; more than one-half of the potential plant stubble height remaining.					Disruption obvious; patches of bare soil or closely cropped vegetation common; less than one-half of the potential plant stubble height remaining.					Disruption of vegetation is very high; vegetation has been removed to 2 inches or less in average stubble height.				
SCORE <u>15</u>	20	19	18	17	16	15	14	13	12	11	10	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1
12. Riparian Vegetative Zone Width	Width of riparian zone >18 meters; human activities (i.e., parking lots, roadbeds, clear-cuts, lawns, or crops) have not impacted zone.					Width of riparian zone 12-18 meters; human activities have impacted zone only minimally.					Width of riparian zone 6-12 meters; human activities have impacted zone a great deal.					Width of riparian zone <6 meters; little or no riparian vegetation due to human activities.				
SCORE <u>13</u>	20	19	18	17	16	15	14	13	12	11	10	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1
Total Side 2 <u>120</u>																				
Total Score <u>204</u>																				



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## WATER QUALITY NETWORK HABITAT ASSESSMENT

WATERBODY NAME Little Buck Run STR CODE/RMI 187  
STATION NUMBER #5 LOCATION See attached map  
DATE 11/29/17 TIME 750  
AQUATIC ECOREGION 2 COUNTY Chester  
INVESTIGATORS ASC, BS  
FORM COMPLETED BY ASC

### RIFFLE/RUN PREVALENCE

Habitat Parameter	Category			
	Optimal	Suboptimal	Marginal	Poor
1. Instream Cover (Fish)  SCORE <u>17</u>	Greater than 50% mix of boulder, cobble, submerged logs, undercut banks, or other stable habitat.  20 19 18 <u>17</u> 16	30-50% mix of boulder, cobble, or other stable habitat; adequate habitat.  15 14 13 12 11	10-30% mix of boulder, cobble, or other stable habitat; habitat availability less than desirable.  10 9 8 7 6	Less than 10% mix of boulder, cobble, or other stable habitat; lack of habitat is obvious.  5 4 3 2 1
2. Epifaunal Substrate  SCORE <u>19</u>	Well developed riffle and run, riffle is as wide as stream and length extends two times the width of stream; abundance of cobble.  20 <u>19</u> 18 17 16	Riffle is as wide as stream but length is less than two times width; abundance of cobble; boulders and gravel common.  15 14 13 12 11	Run area may be lacking; riffle not as wide as stream and its length is less than two times the stream width; gravel or large boulders and bedrock prevalent; some cobble present.  10 9 8 7 6	Riffles or run virtually nonexistent; large boulders and bedrock prevalent; cobble lacking.  5 4 3 2 1
3. Embeddedness  SCORE <u>15</u>	Gravel, cobble, and boulder particles are 0-25% surrounded by fine sediment.  20 19 18 17 16	Gravel, cobble, and boulder particles are 25-50% surrounded by fine sediment.  <u>15</u> 14 13 12 11	Gravel, cobble, and boulder particles are 50-75% surrounded by fine sediment.  10 9 8 7 6	Gravel, cobble, and boulder particles are more than 75% surrounded by fine sediment.  5 4 3 2 1
4. Velocity/Depth Regimes  SCORE <u>17</u>	All four velocity/depth regimes present (slow-deep, slow-shallow, fast-deep, fast-shallow).  20 19 18 <u>17</u> 16	Only 3 of the 4 regimes present (if fast-shallow is missing, score lower than if missing other regimes).  15 14 13 12 11	Only 2 of the 4 habitat regimes present (if fast-shallow or slow-shallow are missing, score lower than if missing other regimes).  10 9 8 7 6	Dominated by 1 velocity/depth regime (usually slow-deep).  5 4 3 2 1
5. Channel Alteration  SCORE <u>20</u>	No channelization or dredging present.  <u>20</u> 19 18 17 16	Some channelization present, usually in areas of bridge abutments; evidence of past channelization, i.e., dredging, (greater than past 20 yr) may be present, but recent channelization is not present.  15 14 13 12 11	New embankments present on both banks; and 40-80% of stream reach channelized and disrupted.  10 9 8 7 6	Banks shored gabion or cement; over 80% of the stream reach channelized and disrupted.  5 4 3 2 1
Total Side 1 <u>88</u>				



RIFFLE/RUN PREVALENCE

Habitat Parameter	Category																			
	Optimal					Suboptimal					Marginal					Poor				
6. Sediment Deposition	Little or no enlargement of islands or point bars and less than 5% of the bottom affected by sediment deposition.					Some new increase in bar formation, mostly from coarse gravel; 5-30% of the bottom affected; slight deposition in pools.					Moderate deposition of new gravel, coarse sand on old and new bars; 30-50% of the bottom affected; sediment deposits at obstruction, constriction, and bends; moderate deposition of pools prevalent.					Heavy deposits of fine material, increased bar development; more than 50% of the bottom changing frequently; pools almost absent due to substantial sediment deposition.				
SCORE <u>15</u>	20	19	18	17	16	15	14	13	12	11	10	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1
7. Frequency of Riffles	Occurrence of riffles relatively frequent; distance between riffles divided by the width of the stream equals 5 to 7; variety of habitat.					Occurrence of riffles infrequent; distance between riffles divided by the width of the stream equals 7 to 15.					Occasional riffle or bend; bottom contours provide some habitat; distance between riffles divided by the width of the stream is between 15 to 25.					Generally all flat water or shallow riffles; poor habitat; distance between riffles divided by the width of the stream is between ratio >25.				
SCORE <u>19</u>	20	19	18	17	16	15	14	13	12	11	10	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1
8. Channel Flow Status	Water reaches base of both lower banks and minimal amount of channel substrate is exposed.					Water fills > 75% of the available channel; or <25% of channel substrate is exposed.					Water fills 25-75% of the available channel and/or riffle substrates are mostly exposed.					Very little water in channel and mostly present as standing pools.				
SCORE <u>20</u>	20	19	18	17	16	15	14	13	12	11	10	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1
9. Condition of Banks	Banks stable; no evidence of erosion or bank failure.					Moderately stable; infrequent, small areas of erosion mostly healed over.					Moderately unstable; up to 60% of banks in reach have areas of erosion.					Unstable; many eroded areas; "raw" areas frequent along straight sections and bends; on side slopes, 60-100% of bank has erosional scars.				
SCORE <u>20</u>	20	19	18	17	16	15	14	13	12	11	10	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1
10. Bank Vegetative Protection	More than 90% of the streambank surface covered by vegetation.					70-90% of the stream-bank surface covered by vegetation.					50-70% of the stream-bank surfaces covered by vegetation.					Less than 50% of the streambank surface covered by vegetation.				
SCORE <u>20</u>	20	19	18	17	16	15	14	13	12	11	10	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1
11. Grazing or Other Disruptive Pressure	Vegetative disruption, through grazing or mowing, minimal or not evident; almost all plants allowed to grow naturally.					Disruption evident but not affecting full plant growth potential to any great extent; more than one-half of the potential plant stubble height remaining.					Disruption obvious; patches of bare soil or closely cropped vegetation common; less than one-half of the potential plant stubble height remaining.					Disruption of vegetation is very high; vegetation has been removed to 2 inches or less in average stubble height.				
SCORE <u>18</u>	20	19	18	17	16	15	14	13	12	11	10	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1
12. Riparian Vegetative Zone Width	Width of riparian zone >18 meters; human activities (i.e., parking lots, roadbeds, clear-cuts, lawns, or crops) have not impacted zone.					Width of riparian zone 12-18 meters; human activities have impacted zone only minimally.					Width of riparian zone 6-12 meters; human activities have impacted zone a great deal.					Width of riparian zone <6 meters; little or no riparian vegetation due to human activities.				
SCORE <u>13</u>	20	19	18	17	16	15	14	13	12	11	10	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1
Total Side 2 <u>125</u>																				
Total Score <u>213</u>																				





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## WATER QUALITY NETWORK HABITAT ASSESSMENT

WATERBODY NAME Little Buck Run STR CODE/RMI 185  
STATION NUMBER #6 LOCATION See attached map  
DATE 11/29/17 TIME 0700  
AQUATIC ECOREGION 2 COUNTY Chester  
INVESTIGATORS Aaron S. Clauser, Robert Struble  
FORM COMPLETED BY ASC RIFFLE/RUN PREVALENCE

Habitat Parameter	Category			
	Optimal	Suboptimal	Marginal	Poor
1. Instream Cover (Fish)  SCORE <u>14</u>	Greater than 50% mix of boulder, cobble, sub-merged logs, undercut banks, or other stable habitat.  20 19 18 17 16	30-50% mix of boulder, cobble, or other stable habitat; adequate habitat.  15 14 13 12 11	10-30% mix of boulder, cobble, or other stable habitat; habitat availability less than desirable.  10 9 8 7 6	Less than 10% mix of boulder, cobble, or other stable habitat; lack of habitat is obvious.  5 4 3 2 1
2. Epifaunal Substrate  SCORE <u>17</u>	Well developed riffle and run, riffle is as wide as stream and length extends two times the width of stream; abundance of cobble.  20 19 18 17 16	Riffle is as wide as stream but length is less than two times width; abundance of cobble; boulders and gravel common.  15 14 13 12 11	Run area may be lacking; riffle not as wide as stream and its length is less than two times the stream width; gravel or large boulders and bedrock prevalent; some cobble present.  10 9 8 7 6	Riffles or run virtually nonexistent; large boulders and bedrock prevalent; cobble lacking.  5 4 3 2 1
3. Embeddedness  SCORE <u>14</u>	Gravel, cobble, and boulder particles are 0-25% surrounded by fine sediment.  20 19 18 17 16	Gravel, cobble, and boulder particles are 25-50% surrounded by fine sediment.  15 14 13 12 11	Gravel, cobble, and boulder particles are 50-75% surrounded by fine sediment.  10 9 8 7 6	Gravel, cobble, and boulder particles are more than 75% surrounded by fine sediment.  5 4 3 2 1
4. Velocity/Depth Regimes  SCORE <u>18</u>	All four velocity/depth regimes present (slow-deep, slow-shallow, fast-deep, fast-shallow).  20 19 18 17 16	Only 3 of the 4 regimes present (if fast-shallow is missing, score lower than if missing other regimes).  15 14 13 12 11	Only 2 of the 4 habitat regimes present (if fast-shallow or slow-shallow are missing, score lower than if missing other regimes).  10 9 8 7 6	Dominated by 1 velocity/depth regime (usually slow-deep).  5 4 3 2 1
5. Channel Alteration  SCORE <u>13</u>	No channelization or dredging present.  20 19 18 17 16	Some channelization present, usually in areas of bridge abutments; evidence of past channelization, i.e., dredging, (greater than past 20 yr) may be present, but recent channelization is not present.  15 14 13 12 11	New embankments present on both banks; and 40-80% of stream reach channelized and disrupted.  10 9 8 7 6	Banks shored gabion or cement; over 80% of the stream reach channelized and disrupted.  5 4 3 2 1
Total Side 1 <u>76</u>				



RIFFLE/RUN PREVALENCE

Habitat Parameter	Category																			
	Optimal					Suboptimal					Marginal					Poor				
6. Sediment Deposition	Little or no enlargement of islands or point bars and less than 5% of the bottom affected by sediment deposition.					Some new increase in bar formation, mostly from coarse gravel; 5-30% of the bottom affected; slight deposition in pools.					Moderate deposition of new gravel, coarse sand on old and new bars; 30-50% of the bottom affected; sediment deposits at obstruction, constriction, and bends; moderate deposition of pools prevalent.					Heavy deposits of fine material, increased bar development; more than 50% of the bottom changing frequently; pools almost absent due to substantial sediment deposition.				
SCORE <u>9</u>	20	19	18	17	16	15	14	13	12	11	10	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1
7. Frequency of Riffles	Occurrence of riffles relatively frequent; distance between riffles divided by the width of the stream equals 5 to 7; variety of habitat.					Occurrence of riffles infrequent; distance between riffles divided by the width of the stream equals 7 to 15.					Occasional riffle or bend; bottom contours provide some habitat; distance between riffles divided by the width of the stream is between 15 to 25.					Generally all flat water or shallow riffles; poor habitat; distance between riffles divided by the width of the stream is between ratio >25.				
SCORE <u>18</u>	20	19	18	17	16	15	14	13	12	11	10	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1
8. Channel Flow Status	Water reaches base of both lower banks and minimal amount of channel substrate is exposed.					Water fills > 75% of the available channel; or <25% of channel substrate is exposed.					Water fills 25-75% of the available channel and/or riffle substrates are mostly exposed.					Very little water in channel and mostly present as standing pools.				
SCORE <u>18</u>	20	19	18	17	16	15	14	13	12	11	10	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1
9. Condition of Banks	Banks stable; no evidence of erosion or bank failure.					Moderately stable; infrequent, small areas of erosion mostly healed over.					Moderately unstable; up to 60% of banks in reach have areas of erosion.					Unstable; many eroded areas; "raw" areas frequent along straight sections and bends; on side slopes, 60-100% of bank has erosional scars.				
SCORE <u>13</u>	20	19	18	17	16	15	14	13	12	11	10	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1
10. Bank Vegetative Protection	More than 90% of the streambank surface covered by vegetation.					70-90% of the stream-bank surface covered by vegetation.					50-70% of the stream-bank surfaces covered by vegetation.					Less than 50% of the streambank surface covered by vegetation.				
SCORE <u>16</u>	20	19	18	17	16	15	14	13	12	11	10	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1
11. Grazing or Other Disruptive Pressure	Vegetative disruption, through grazing or mowing, minimal or not evident; almost all plants allowed to grow naturally.					Disruption evident but not affecting full plant growth potential to any great extent; more than one-half of the potential plant stubble height remaining.					Disruption obvious; patches of bare soil or closely cropped vegetation common; less than one-half of the potential plant stubble height remaining.					Disruption of vegetation is very high; vegetation has been removed to 2 inches or less in average stubble height.				
SCORE <u>15</u>	20	19	18	17	16	15	14	13	12	11	10	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1
12. Riparian Vegetative Zone Width	Width of riparian zone >18 meters; human activities (i.e., parking lots, roadbeds, clear-cuts, lawns, or crops) have not impacted zone.					Width of riparian zone 12-18 meters; human activities have impacted zone only minimally.					Width of riparian zone 6-12 meters; human activities have impacted zone a great deal.					Width of riparian zone <6 meters; little or no riparian vegetation due to human activities.				
SCORE <u>8</u>	20	19	18	17	16	15	14	13	12	11	10	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1
Total Side 2 <u>97</u>																				
Total Score <u>173</u>																				



## WATER QUALITY NETWORK HABITAT ASSESSMENT

WATERBODY NAME Little Buck Run STR CODE/RMI 185

STATION NUMBER 7 LOCATION See attached map

DATE 11/29/17 TIME 0930

AQUATIC ECOREGION 2 COUNTY Chester

INVESTIGATORS ASC, RS

FORM COMPLETED BY ASC RIFFLE/RUN PREVALENCE

Habitat Parameter	Category			
	Optimal	Suboptimal	Marginal	Poor
1. Instream Cover (Fish)	Greater than 50% mix of boulder, cobble, submerged logs, undercut banks, or other stable habitat.	30-50% mix of boulder, cobble, or other stable habitat; adequate habitat.	10-30% mix of boulder, cobble, or other stable habitat; habitat availability less than desirable.	Less than 10% mix of boulder, cobble, or other stable habitat; lack of habitat is obvious.
SCORE <u>14</u>	20 19 18 17 16	15 14 13 12 11	10 9 8 7 6	5 4 3 2 1
2. Epifaunal Substrate	Well developed riffle and run, riffle is as wide as stream and length extends two times the width of stream; abundance of cobble.	Riffle is as wide as stream but length is less than two times width; abundance of cobble; boulders and gravel common.	Run area may be lacking; riffle not as wide as stream and its length is less than two times the stream width; gravel or large boulders and bedrock prevalent; some cobble present.	Riffles or run virtually nonexistent; large boulders and bedrock prevalent; cobble lacking.
SCORE <u>17</u>	20 19 18 17 16	15 14 13 12 11	10 9 8 7 6	5 4 3 2 1
3. Embeddedness	Gravel, cobble, and boulder particles are 0-25% surrounded by fine sediment.	Gravel, cobble, and boulder particles are 25-50% surrounded by fine sediment.	Gravel, cobble, and boulder particles are 50-75% surrounded by fine sediment.	Gravel, cobble, and boulder particles are more than 75% surrounded by fine sediment.
SCORE <u>13</u>	20 19 18 17 16	15 14 13 12 11	10 9 8 7 6	5 4 3 2 1
4. Velocity/Depth Regimes	All four velocity/depth regimes present (slow-deep, slow-shallow, fast-deep, fast-shallow).	Only 3 of the 4 regimes present (if fast-shallow is missing, score lower than if missing other regimes).	Only 2 of the 4 habitat regimes present (if fast-shallow or slow-shallow are missing, score lower than if missing other regimes).	Dominated by 1 velocity/depth regime (usually slow-deep).
SCORE <u>16</u>	20 19 18 17 16	15 14 13 12 11	10 9 8 7 6	5 4 3 2 1
5. Channel Alteration	No channelization or dredging present.	Some channelization present, usually in areas of bridge abutments; evidence of past channelization, i.e., dredging, (greater than past 20 yr) may be present, but recent channelization is not present.	New embankments present on both banks; and 40-80% of stream reach channelized and disrupted.	Banks shored gabion or cement; over 80% of the stream reach channelized and disrupted.
SCORE <u>14</u>	20 19 18 17 16	15 14 13 12 11	10 9 8 7 6	5 4 3 2 1
Total Side 1 <u>74</u>				



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RIFFLE/RUN PREVALENCE

Habitat Parameter	Category																			
	Optimal					Suboptimal					Marginal					Poor				
6. Sediment Deposition	Little or no enlargement of islands or point bars and less than 5% of the bottom affected by sediment deposition.					Some new increase in bar formation, mostly from coarse gravel; 5-30% of the bottom affected; slight deposition in pools.					Moderate deposition of new gravel, coarse sand on old and new bars; 30-50% of the bottom affected; sediment deposits at obstruction, constriction, and bends; moderate deposition of pools prevalent.					Heavy deposits of fine material, increased bar development; more than 50% of the bottom changing frequently; pools almost absent due to substantial sediment deposition.				
SCORE <u>9</u>	20	19	18	17	16	15	14	13	12	11	10	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1
7. Frequency of Riffles	Occurrence of riffles relatively frequent; distance between riffles divided by the width of the stream equals 5 to 7; variety of habitat.					Occurrence of riffles infrequent; distance between riffles divided by the width of the stream equals 7 to 15.					Occasional riffle or bend; bottom contours provide some habitat; distance between riffles divided by the width of the stream is between 15 to 25.					Generally all flat water or shallow riffles; poor habitat; distance between riffles divided by the width of the stream is between ratio >25.				
SCORE <u>18</u>	20	19	18	17	16	15	14	13	12	11	10	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1
8. Channel Flow Status	Water reaches base of both lower banks and minimal amount of channel substrate is exposed.					Water fills > 75% of the available channel; or <25% of channel substrate is exposed.					Water fills 25-75% of the available channel and/or riffle substrates are mostly exposed.					Very little water in channel and mostly present as standing pools.				
SCORE <u>14</u>	20	19	18	17	16	15	14	13	12	11	10	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1
9. Condition of Banks	Banks stable; no evidence of erosion or bank failure.					Moderately stable; infrequent, small areas of erosion mostly healed over.					Moderately unstable; up to 60% of banks in reach have areas of erosion.					Unstable; many eroded areas; "raw" areas frequent along straight sections and bends; on side slopes, 60-100% of bank has erosional scars.				
SCORE <u>11</u>	20	19	18	17	16	15	14	13	12	11	10	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1
10. Bank Vegetative Protection	More than 90% of the streambank surface covered by vegetation.					70-90% of the stream-bank surface covered by vegetation.					50-70% of the stream-bank surfaces covered by vegetation.					Less than 50% of the streambank surface covered by vegetation.				
SCORE <u>12</u>	20	19	18	17	16	15	14	13	12	11	10	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1
11. Grazing or Other Disruptive Pressure	Vegetative disruption, through grazing or mowing, minimal or not evident; almost all plants allowed to grow naturally.					Disruption evident but not affecting full plant growth potential to any great extent; more than one-half of the potential plant stubble height remaining.					Disruption obvious; patches of bare soil or closely cropped vegetation common; less than one-half of the potential plant stubble height remaining.					Disruption of vegetation is very high; vegetation has been removed to 2 inches or less in average stubble height.				
SCORE <u>18</u>	20	19	18	17	16	15	14	13	12	11	10	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1
12. Riparian Vegetative Zone Width	Width of riparian zone >18 meters; human activities (i.e., parking lots, roadbeds, clear-cuts, lawns, or crops) have not impacted zone.					Width of riparian zone 12-18 meters; human activities have impacted zone only minimally.					Width of riparian zone 6-12 meters; human activities have impacted zone a great deal.					Width of riparian zone <6 meters; little or no riparian vegetation due to human activities.				
SCORE <u>15</u>	20	19	18	17	16	15	14	13	12	11	10	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1
Total Side 2 <u>97</u>																				
Total Score <u>171</u>																				

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## WATER QUALITY NETWORK HABITAT ASSESSMENT

WATERBODY NAME Little Buck Run STR CODE/RMI 185  
 STATION NUMBER 8 LOCATION See attached map  
 DATE 11/29/17 TIME 0853  
 AQUATIC ECOREGION 2 COUNTY Chester  
 INVESTIGATORS ASC, AS  
 FORM COMPLETED BY ASC

### RIFFLE/RUN PREVALENCE

Habitat Parameter	Category			
	Optimal	Suboptimal	Marginal	Poor
1. Instream Cover (Fish)  SCORE <u>9</u>	Greater than 50% mix of boulder, cobble, submerged logs, undercut banks, or other stable habitat.  20 19 18 17 16	30-50% mix of boulder, cobble, or other stable habitat; adequate habitat.  15 14 13 12 11	10-30% mix of boulder, cobble, or other stable habitat; habitat availability less than desirable.  10 9 8 7 6	Less than 10% mix of boulder, cobble, or other stable habitat; lack of habitat is obvious.  5 4 3 2 1
2. Epifaunal Substrate  SCORE <u>16</u>	Well developed riffle and run, riffle is as wide as stream and length extends two times the width of stream; abundance of cobble.  20 19 18 17 16	Riffle is as wide as stream but length is less than two times width; abundance of cobble; boulders and gravel common.  15 14 13 12 11	Run area may be lacking; riffle not as wide as stream and its length is less than two times the stream width; gravel or large boulders and bedrock prevalent; some cobble present.  10 9 8 7 6	Riffles or run virtually nonexistent; large boulders and bedrock prevalent; cobble lacking.  5 4 3 2 1
3. Embeddedness  SCORE <u>9</u>	Gravel, cobble, and boulder particles are 0-25% surrounded by fine sediment.  20 19 18 17 16	Gravel, cobble, and boulder particles are 25-50% surrounded by fine sediment.  15 14 13 12 11	Gravel, cobble, and boulder particles are 50-75% surrounded by fine sediment.  10 9 8 7 6	Gravel, cobble, and boulder particles are more than 75% surrounded by fine sediment.  5 4 3 2 1
4. Velocity/Depth Regimes  SCORE <u>16</u>	All four velocity/depth regimes present (slow-deep, slow-shallow, fast-deep, fast-shallow).  20 19 18 17 16	Only 3 of the 4 regimes present (if fast-shallow is missing, score lower than if missing other regimes).  15 14 13 12 11	Only 2 of the 4 habitat regimes present (if fast-shallow or slow-shallow are missing, score lower than if missing other regimes).  10 9 8 7 6	Dominated by 1 velocity/depth regime (usually slow-deep).  5 4 3 2 1
5. Channel Alteration  SCORE <u>15</u>	No channelization or dredging present.  20 19 18 17 16	Some channelization present, usually in areas of bridge abutments; evidence of past channelization, i.e., dredging, (greater than past 20 yr) may be present, but recent channelization is not present.  15 14 13 12 11	New embankments present on both banks; and 40-80% of stream reach channelized and disrupted.  10 9 8 7 6	Banks shored gabion or cement; over 80% of the stream reach channelized and disrupted.  5 4 3 2 1
Total Side 1 <u>65</u>				



RIFFLE/RUN PREVALENCE

Habitat Parameter	Category																			
	Optimal					Suboptimal					Marginal					Poor				
6. Sediment Deposition	Little or no enlargement of islands or point bars and less than 5% of the bottom affected by sediment deposition.					Some new increase in bar formation, mostly from coarse gravel; 5-30% of the bottom affected; slight deposition in pools.					Moderate deposition of new gravel, coarse sand on old and new bars; 30-50% of the bottom affected; sediment deposits at obstruction, constriction, and bends; moderate deposition of pools prevalent.					Heavy deposits of fine material, increased bar development; more than 50% of the bottom changing frequently; pools almost absent due to substantial sediment deposition.				
SCORE <u>10</u>	20	19	18	17	16	15	14	13	12	11	10	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1
7. Frequency of Riffles	Occurrence of riffles relatively frequent; distance between riffles divided by the width of the stream equals 5 to 7; variety of habitat.					Occurrence of riffles infrequent; distance between riffles divided by the width of the stream equals 7 to 15.					Occasional riffle or bend; bottom contours provide some habitat; distance between riffles divided by the width of the stream is between 15 to 25.					Generally all flat water or shallow riffles; poor habitat; distance between riffles divided by the width of the stream is between ratio >25.				
SCORE <u>16</u>	20	19	18	17	16	15	14	13	12	11	10	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1
8. Channel Flow Status	Water reaches base of both lower banks and minimal amount of channel substrate is exposed.					Water fills > 75% of the available channel; or <25% of channel substrate is exposed.					Water fills 25-75% of the available channel and/or riffle substrates are mostly exposed.					Very little water in channel and mostly present as standing pools.				
SCORE <u>15</u>	20	19	18	17	16	15	14	13	12	11	10	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1
9. Condition of Banks	Banks stable; no evidence of erosion or bank failure.					Moderately stable; infrequent, small areas of erosion mostly healed over.					Moderately unstable; up to 60% of banks in reach have areas of erosion.					Unstable; many eroded areas; "raw" areas frequent along straight sections and bends; on side slopes, 60-100% of bank has erosional scars.				
SCORE <u>12</u>	20	19	18	17	16	15	14	13	12	11	10	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1
10. Bank Vegetative Protection	More than 90% of the streambank surface covered by vegetation.					70-90% of the stream-bank surface covered by vegetation.					50-70% of the stream-bank surfaces covered by vegetation.					Less than 50% of the streambank surface covered by vegetation.				
SCORE <u>15</u>	20	19	18	17	16	15	14	13	12	11	10	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1
11. Grazing or Other Disruptive Pressure	Vegetative disruption, through grazing or mowing, minimal or not evident; almost all plants allowed to grow naturally.					Disruption evident but not affecting full plant growth potential to any great extent; more than one-half of the potential plant stubble height remaining.					Disruption obvious; patches of bare soil or closely cropped vegetation common; less than one-half of the potential plant stubble height remaining.					Disruption of vegetation is very high; vegetation has been removed to 2 inches or less in average stubble height.				
SCORE <u>18</u>	20	19	18	17	16	15	14	13	12	11	10	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1
12. Riparian Vegetative Zone Width	Width of riparian zone >18 meters; human activities (i.e., parking lots, roadbeds, clear-cuts, lawns, or crops) have not impacted zone.					Width of riparian zone 12-18 meters; human activities have impacted zone only minimally.					Width of riparian zone 6-12 meters; human activities have impacted zone a great deal.					Width of riparian zone <6 meters; little or no riparian vegetation due to human activities.				
SCORE <u>15</u>	20	19	18	17	16	15	14	13	12	11	10	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1
Total Side 2 <u>101</u>																				
Total Score <u>166</u>																				

APPENDIX D  
FLOWING WATER BODY FIELD DATA FORMS





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<b>Date-Time-Initials*</b> Example 20040212-0312-XYZ		20171129 - 1105 - ASC Date Time Initials		<b>Watershed Code (HUC)</b> 02040205	<b>Stream Code</b> 185	<b>Ch. 93 Use</b> TSF, MF			
<b>Secondary Station ID</b> LBA #1		Surveyed by: ASC, BS							
*Date as YYYYMMDD, time as military time, and your initials uniquely identify the stream reach.						<b>SWP Watershed</b> 03H			
<b>Survey Type</b>									
(1) Basin Survey, (2) Cause / Effect, (3) Fish Tissue, (4) Instream Comprehensive Evaluation [ICE], (5) Point-of-First-Use, (6) SERA, (7) Antidegradation [Special Protection], (8) Toxics, (10) Use Attainability, (11) WQN, (12) Limestone, (13) Low-gradient [Multihabitat]						4			
<b>Location</b>									
<b>County:</b>	Chester	<b>Municipality:</b>	Highland	<b>Topo Quad:</b>	Partesburg, PA				
Location Description: See attached map									
<b>Land Use</b>									
Residential:	%	Commercial:	%	Industrial:	%	Cropland:	%	Pasture:	%
Abd. Mining:	%	Old Fields:	%	Forest:	%	Other:	%		
Land Use Comments:									
Canopy cover: open partly shaded mostly shaded <u>fully shaded</u>									
<b>Water Quality</b>									
	<b>Collector-sequence #</b>	<b>Field Meter Readings:</b>					<b>Bottle Notes (N-normal, MNF-metals non-filtered, MF-metals filtered, B-bac't, Others: indicate)</b>		
		Temp (°C)	DO (mg/l)	pH	Cond. (µS/cm)	Alkalinity mg/l			
1.		6.6	14.58	8.25	292.4	0.2			
2.			119.5		451.0	salinity			
3.						pet			
Water Appearance/Odor Comments: (* see bottom of back for common descriptors)									
<b>Findings</b>									
Not Impaired:	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Impaired biology?	<input type="checkbox"/>	Impaired habitat?	<input type="checkbox"/>	Is impact localized?	<input type="checkbox"/>	Reevaluate designated use?	<input type="checkbox"/>
Decision comments. Describe the rationale for your "Not Impaired" or "Impaired" decision; reach locations for use designation reevaluations; special condition comments; etc.:									
<b>IBI Score:</b>	56.6	<b>Total Habitat Score:</b>	191						







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<b>Date-Time-Initials*</b> Example 20040212-0312-XYZ	20171129 - 1035 ASC Date Time Initials	<b>Watershed Code (HUC)</b> 02040205	<b>Stream Code</b> 185	<b>Ch. 93 Use</b> TSF, MF		
<b>Secondary Station ID</b>	#2 LBR	Surveyed by: ASC, BS				
*Date as YYYYMMDD, time as military time, and your initials uniquely identify the stream reach.				<b>SWP Watershed</b> 03H		
<b>Survey Type</b>						
(1) Basin Survey, (2) Cause / Effect, (3) Fish Tissue, (4) Instream Comprehensive Evaluation [ICE], (5) Point-of-First-Use, (6) SERA, (7) Antidegradation [Special Protection], (8) Toxics, (10) Use Attainability, (11) WQN, (12) Limestone, (13) Low-gradient [Multihabitat]				4		
<b>Location</b>						
<b>County:</b> Chester	<b>Municipality:</b> Sadsbury	<b>Topo Quad:</b> Parkesburg, PA				
Location Description: See attached map						
<b>Land Use</b>						
Residential:	%	Commercial:	%	Industrial:		
Abd. Mining:	%	Old Fields:	%	Forest:		
Land Use Comments:						
Canopy cover: open <u>partly shaded</u> mostly shaded fully shaded						
<b>Water Quality</b>						
Collector-sequence #	Field Meter Readings:					Bottle Notes (N-normal, MNF-metals non-filtered, MF-metals filtered, B-bac't, Others: indicate)
	Temp (°C)	DO (mg/l)	pH	Cond. (µS/cm)	Alkalinity (mg/l)	
1.	6.3	12.76	7.83	326.0	0.2	
2.		104.2		501	salinity	
3.					ppt	
Water Appearance/Odor Comments: (* see bottom of back for common descriptors)						
<b>Findings</b>						
Not Impaired:	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Impaired biology?	<input type="checkbox"/>	Impaired habitat?	<input type="checkbox"/>	Is impact localized?
						Reevaluate designated use?
Decision comments. Describe the rationale for your "Not Impaired" or "Impaired" decision; reach locations for use designation reevaluations; special condition comments; etc.:						
<b>IBI Score:</b>	59.0	<b>Total Habitat Score:</b>	196			







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<b>Date-Time-Initials*</b> Example 20040212-0312-XYZ			20171129 - 1015 - ASC Date Time Initials			<b>Watershed Code (HUC)</b> 02040205	<b>Stream Code</b> 186	<b>Ch. 93 Use</b> TSF, MF	
<b>Secondary Station ID</b> LBA # 3			Surveyed by: ASC, RS						
*Date as YYYYMMDD, time as military time, and your initials uniquely identify the stream reach.								<b>SWP Watershed</b> 03H	
<b>Survey Type</b>									
(1) Basin Survey, (2) Cause / Effect, (3) Fish Tissue, (4) Instream Comprehensive Evaluation [ICE], (5) Point-of-First-Use, (6) SERA, (7) Antidegradation [Special Protection], (8) Toxics, (10) Use Attainability, (11) WQN, (12) Limestone, (13) Low-gradient [Multihabitat]								4	
<b>Location</b>									
<b>County:</b> Chester		<b>Municipality:</b> Sadsbury		<b>Topo Quad:</b> Parkesburg, PA					
Location Description: see Attached Map									
<b>Land Use</b>									
Residential:	%	Commercial:	%	Industrial:	%	Cropland:	%	Pasture:	%
Abd. Mining:	%	Old Fields:	%	Forest:	%	Other:	%		
Land Use Comments:									
Canopy cover: open <u>partly shaded</u> mostly shaded fully shaded									
<b>Water Quality</b>									
	<b>Collector-sequence #</b>	<b>Field Meter Readings:</b>					<b>Bottle Notes (N-normal, MNF-metals non-filtered, MF-metals filtered, B-bac't, Others: indicate)</b>		
		Temp (°C)	DO (mg/l)	pH	Cond. (µS/cm)	Alkalinity (mg/l)			
1.		6.1	12.43	7.44	196.5	0.1			
2.			100.4		229.3	Salinity			
3.						Ppt			
Water Appearance/Odor Comments: (* see bottom of back for common descriptors)									
<b>Findings</b>									
Not Impaired:	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Impaired biology?	<input type="checkbox"/>	Impaired habitat?	<input type="checkbox"/>	Is impact localized?	<input type="checkbox"/>	Reevaluate designated use?	<input type="checkbox"/>
Decision comments. Describe the rationale for your "Not Impaired" or "Impaired" decision; reach locations for use designation reevaluations; special condition comments; etc.:									
<b>IBI Score:</b> 75.98		<b>Total Habitat Score:</b> 193							

LBA#3

## Macroinvertebrate sampling

Sampling method: Std. kick screen: ☐ D-frame: ☒ Surber: ☐ Other: ☐ method?: \_\_\_\_\_

Comments/Abundance Notes:

## Habitat Impairment Thresholds

## Metric Score

#3 Riff/Run: embeddedness or #3 Glide/Pool: substrate character + #6 Sediment Deposition = 24 or less (20 or less for warm water, low gradient streams)

30

#9 Condition of Banks + #10 Bank Vegetation = 24 or less (20 or less for warm water, low gradient streams)

31

Total habitat score 140 or less for forested, cold water, high gradient streams (120 or less for warm water, low gradient streams)

193

Habitat Comments:

## Special Condition

Use this block to describe conditions that justify attainment/impairment of stations with IBI score &lt;63 and &gt;53.

\*Common descriptors: **Water Odors** - none normal sewage petroleum chemical other; **Water Surface Oils** - none slick sheen globs flecks; **Turbidity** - clear slight turbid opaque; **NPS Pollution** - no evidence some potential obvious; **Sediment Odors** - none normal sewage petroleum chemical anaerobic; **Sediment Oils** - absent slight moderate profuse; **Deposits** - none sludge sawdust paper fiber sand relict shells other. **Are the undersides of stones deeply embedded black?**





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<b>Date-Time-Initials*</b> Example 20040212-0312-XYZ	20171129 - 0830 - ASC	<b>Watershed Code (HUC)</b>	<b>Stream Code</b>	<b>Ch. 93 Use</b>					
Date	Time	Initials	02040205	185					
<b>Secondary Station ID</b>	4	LBR	Surveyed by:	ASC, RS					
*Date as YYYYMMDD, time as military time, and your initials uniquely identify the stream reach.			<b>SWP Watershed</b>	03H					
<b>Survey Type</b>									
(1) Basin Survey, (2) Cause / Effect, (3) Fish Tissue, (4) Instream Comprehensive Evaluation [ICE], (5) Point-of-First-Use, (6) SERA, (7) Antidegradation [Special Protection], (8) Toxics, (10) Use Attainability, (11) WQN, (12) Limestone, (13) Low-gradient [Multihabitat]				4					
<b>Location</b>									
<b>County:</b>	Chester	<b>Municipality:</b>	Partesburg	<b>Topo Quad:</b> Partesburg, PA					
Location Description: See attached map									
<b>Land Use</b>									
Residential:	%	Commercial:	%	Industrial:					
Abd. Mining:	%	Old Fields:	%	Forest:					
Land Use Comments:									
Canopy cover: open <u>partly shaded</u> mostly shaded fully shaded									
<b>Water Quality</b>									
<b>Collector-sequence #</b>	<b>Field Meter Readings:</b>					<b>Bottle Notes (N-normal, MNF-metals non-filtered, MF-metals filtered, B-bac't, Others: indicate)</b>			
	Temp (°C)	DO (mg/l)	pH	Cond. (µS/cm)	Alkalinity mg/l				
1.	6.7	11.00	7.45	386	0.3				
2.		90.7		594	Salinity				
3.					PPT				
<b>Water Appearance/Odor Comments:</b> (* see bottom of back for common descriptors)									
<b>Findings</b>									
Not Impaired:	<input type="checkbox"/>	Impaired biology?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Impaired habitat?	<input type="checkbox"/>	Is impact localized?	<input type="checkbox"/>	Reevaluate designated use?	<input type="checkbox"/>
Decision comments. Describe the rationale for your "Not Impaired" or "Impaired" decision; reach locations for use designation reevaluations; special condition comments; etc.:									
<b>IBI Score:</b>	34.65	<b>Total Habitat Score:</b>	204						

LBR #4

## Macroinvertebrate sampling

Sampling method: Std. kick screen: ☐ D-frame: ☒ Surber: ☐ Other: ☐ method?: \_\_\_\_\_

Comments/Abundance Notes:

## Habitat Impairment Thresholds

## Metric Score

#3 Riff/Run: embeddedness or #3 Glide/Pool: substrate character + #6 Sediment Deposition = 24 or less  
(20 or less for warm water, low gradient streams)

28

#9 Condition of Banks + #10 Bank Vegetation = 24 or less (20 or less for warm water, low gradient streams)

40

Total habitat score 140 or less for forested, cold water, high gradient streams (120 or less for warm water, low gradient streams)

204

Habitat Comments:

## Special Condition

Use this block to describe conditions that justify attainment/impairment of stations with IBI score &lt;63 and &gt;53.

\*Common descriptors: Water Odors - none normal sewage petroleum chemical other; Water Surface Oils - none slick sheen globs flecks; Turbidity - clear slight turbid opaque; NPS Pollution - no evidence some potential obvious; Sediment Odors - none normal sewage petroleum chemical anaerobic; Sediment Oils - absent slight moderate profuse; Deposits - none sludge sawdust paper fiber sand relict shells other. Are the undersides of stones deeply embedded black?





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<b>Date-Time-Initials*</b> Example 20040212-0312-XYZ		20171129 - 750 - ASC Date Time Initials		<b>Watershed Code (HUC)</b> 02040205	<b>Stream Code</b> 187	<b>Ch. 93 Use</b> TSEMF
<b>Secondary Station ID</b> 5		LBA		Surveyed by: ASC, RS		
*Date as YYYYMMDD, time as military time, and your initials uniquely identify the stream reach.					<b>SWP Watershed</b>	03H
<b>Survey Type</b>						
(1) Basin Survey, (2) Cause / Effect, (3) Fish Tissue, (4) Instream Comprehensive Evaluation [ICE], (5) Point-of-First-Use, (6) SERA, (7) Antidegradation [Special Protection], (8) Toxics, (10) Use Attainability, (11) WQN, (12) Limestone, (13) Low-gradient [Multihabitat]						4
<b>Location</b>						
<b>County:</b>	Chester		<b>Municipality:</b>	Parkesburg		<b>Topo Quad:</b> Parkesburg, PA
Location Description: see attached map						
<b>Land Use</b>						
Residential:	%	Commercial:	%	Industrial:	%	Cropland:
Abd. Mining:	%	Old Fields:	%	Forest:	%	Other:
Land Use Comments:						
Canopy cover: open <u>partly shaded</u> mostly shaded fully shaded						
<b>Water Quality</b>						
	<b>Collector-sequence #</b>	<b>Field Meter Readings:</b>				<b>Bottle Notes (N-normal, MNF-metals non-filtered, MF-metals filtered, B-bac't, Others: indicate)</b>
		Temp (°C)	DO (mg/l)	pH	Cond. (µS/cm)	Alkalinity (mg/l)
1.		4.8	11.95	7.35	176.7	0.1
2.			93.6%		287.7	salinity
3.						pH
Water Appearance/Odor Comments: (* see bottom of back for common descriptors)						
<b>Findings</b>						
Not Impaired:	<input type="checkbox"/>	Impaired biology?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Impaired habitat?	<input type="checkbox"/>	Is impact localized?
						Reevaluate designated use?
Decision comments. Describe the rationale for your "Not Impaired" or "Impaired" decision; reach locations for use designation reevaluations; special condition comments; etc.:						
<b>IBI Score:</b>	46.31		<b>Total Habitat Score:</b>	213		

LBR #5

## Macroinvertebrate sampling

Sampling method: Std. kick screen: ☐ D-frame: ☒ Surber: ☐ Other: ☐ method?: \_\_\_\_\_

Comments/Abundance Notes:

## Habitat Impairment Thresholds

## Metric Score

#3 Riff/Run: embeddedness or #3 Glide/Pool: substrate character + #6 Sediment Deposition = 24 or less  
(20 or less for warm water, low gradient streams)

30

#9 Condition of Banks + #10 Bank Vegetation = 24 or less (20 or less for warm water, low gradient streams)

40

Total habitat score 140 or less for forested, cold water, high gradient streams (120 or less for warm water, low gradient streams)

213

Habitat Comments:

## Special Condition

Use this block to describe conditions that justify attainment/impairment of stations with IBI score &lt;63 and &gt;53.

\*Common descriptors: Water Odors - none normal sewage petroleum chemical other; Water Surface Oils - none slick sheen globs flecks; Turbidity - clear slight turbid opaque; NPS Pollution - no evidence some potential obvious; Sediment Odors - none normal sewage petroleum chemical anaerobic; Sediment Oils - absent slight moderate profuse; Deposits - none sludge sawdust paper fiber sand relict shells other. Are the undersides of stones deeply embedded black?





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<b>Date-Time-Initials*</b> Example 20040212-0312-XYZ		20171129 - 0700 - ASC Date Time Initials		<b>Watershed Code (HUC)</b> 02040205	<b>Stream Code</b> 185	<b>Ch. 93 Use</b> TSE/MF			
<b>Secondary Station ID</b> Little Buck Run #6		Surveyed by: ASC, AS							
*Date as YYYYMMDD, time as military time, and your initials uniquely identify the stream reach.						<b>SWP Watershed</b> 03H			
<b>Survey Type</b>									
(1) Basin Survey, (2) Cause / Effect, (3) Fish Tissue, (4) Instream Comprehensive Evaluation [ICE], (5) Point-of-First-Use, (6) SERA, (7) Antidegradation [Special Protection], (8) Toxics, (10) Use Attainability, (11) WQN, (12) Limestone, (13) Low-gradient [Multihabitat]						4			
<b>Location</b>									
<b>County:</b>	Chester	<b>Municipality:</b>	Parkesburg	<b>Topo Quad:</b>	Parkesburg, PA				
Location Description: See attached map									
<b>Land Use</b>									
Residential:	%	Commercial:	%	Industrial:	%	Cropland:	%	Pasture:	%
Abd. Mining:	%	Old Fields:	%	Forest:	%	Other:	%		
Land Use Comments:									
Canopy cover: open partly shaded <u>mostly shaded</u> fully shaded									
<b>Water Quality</b>									
	<b>Collector-sequence #</b>	<b>Field Meter Readings:</b>					<b>Bottle Notes (N-normal, MNF-metals non-filtered, MF-metals filtered, B-bac't, Others: indicate)</b>		
		Temp (°C)	DO (mg/l)	pH	Cond. (µS/cm)	Alkalinity (mg/l)			
1.		7.2	10.37	7.19	306.9	0.2			
2.			86.8%		457.2	salinity			
3.						ppt			
Water Appearance/Odor Comments: (* see bottom of back for common descriptors)									
<b>Findings</b>									
Not Impaired:	<input type="checkbox"/>	Impaired biology?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Impaired habitat?	<input type="checkbox"/>	Is impact localized?	<input type="checkbox"/>	Reevaluate designated use?	<input type="checkbox"/>
Decision comments. Describe the rationale for your "Not Impaired" or "Impaired" decision; reach locations for use designation reevaluations; special condition comments; etc.:									
<b>IBI Score:</b>	29.17	<b>Total Habitat Score:</b>	173						

Macroinvertebrate sampling
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**Sampling method:** Std. kick screen: ☐ D-frame: ☒ Surber: ☐ Other: ☐ method?: \_\_\_\_\_

Comments/Abundance Notes:

Habitat Impairment Thresholds	Metric Score
#3 Riff/Run: embeddedness <u>or</u> #3 Glide/Pool: substrate character + #6 Sediment Deposition = 24 or less (20 or less for warm water, low gradient streams)	23
#9 Condition of Banks + #10 Bank Vegetation = 24 or less (20 or less for warm water, low gradient streams)	29
Total habitat score 140 or less for forested, cold water, high gradient streams (120 or less for warm water, low gradient streams)	173

Habitat Comments:

Special Condition	
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Use this block to describe conditions that justify attainment/impairment of stations with IBI score <63 and >53.

**\*Common descriptors:** **Water Odors** - none normal sewage petroleum chemical other; **Water Surface Oils** - none slick sheen globs flecks; **Turbidity** - clear slight turbid opaque; **NPS Pollution** - no evidence some potential obvious; **Sediment Odors** - none normal sewage petroleum chemical anaerobic; **Sediment Oils** - absent slight moderate profuse; **Deposits** - none sludge sawdust paper fiber sand relict shells other.

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Date	Time	Initials	02040205	185					
<b>Secondary Station ID</b>	7 LBR	Surveyed by: ASC, BS							
*Date as YYYYMMDD, time as military time, and your initials uniquely identify the stream reach.				<b>SWP Watershed</b>					
				034					
<b>Survey Type</b>									
(1) Basin Survey, (2) Cause / Effect, (3) Fish Tissue, (4) Instream Comprehensive Evaluation [ICE], (5) Point-of-First-Use, (6) SERA, (7) Antidegradation [Special Protection], (8) Toxics, (10) Use Attainability, (11) WQN, (12) Limestone, (13) Low-gradient [Multihabitat]				4					
<b>Location</b>									
<b>County:</b>	Chester	<b>Municipality:</b>	Parkeburg	<b>Topo Quad:</b> Parkesburg, PA					
Location Description: See attached map									
<b>Land Use</b>									
Residential:	%	Commercial:	%	Industrial:					
Abd. Mining:	%	Old Fields:	%	Forest:					
Land Use Comments:									
Canopy cover: open partly shaded <u>mostly shaded</u> fully shaded									
<b>Water Quality</b>									
<b>Collector-sequence #</b>	<b>Field Meter Readings:</b>					<b>Bottle Notes (N-normal, MNF-metals non-filtered, MF-metals filtered, B-bac't, Others: indicate)</b>			
	Temp (°C)	DO (mg/l)	pH	Cond. (µS/cm)	Alkalinity (mg/l)				
1.	5.8	11.64	7.27	250.0	0.2				
2.		9.38%		394.5	Salinity				
3.					ppt				
<b>Water Appearance/Odor Comments:</b> (* see bottom of back for common descriptors)									
<b>Findings</b>									
Not Impaired:	<input type="checkbox"/>	Impaired biology?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Impaired habitat?	<input type="checkbox"/>	Is impact localized?	<input type="checkbox"/>	Reevaluate designated use?	<input type="checkbox"/>
Decision comments. Describe the rationale for your "Not Impaired" or "Impaired" decision; reach locations for use designation reevaluations; special condition comments; etc.:									
<b>IBI Score:</b>	38.6	<b>Total Habitat Score:</b>	171						

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Macroinvertebrate sampling	
<b>Sampling method:</b> Std. kick screen: <input type="checkbox"/> D-frame: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Surber: <input type="checkbox"/> Other: <input type="checkbox"/> method?: _____	
<b>Comments/Abundance Notes:</b>	
Habitat Impairment Thresholds	Metric Score
#3 Riff/Run: embeddedness <u>or</u> #3 Glide/Pool: substrate character + #6 Sediment Deposition = 24 or less <i>(20 or less for warm water, low gradient streams)</i>	22
#9 Condition of Banks + #10 Bank Vegetation = 24 or less <i>(20 or less for warm water, low gradient streams)</i>	23
Total habitat score 140 or less for forested, cold water, high gradient streams <i>(120 or less for warm water, low gradient streams)</i>	171
<b>Habitat Comments:</b>	
Special Condition	
Use this block to describe conditions that justify attainment/impairment of stations with IBI score <63 and >53.	
<small>           *Common descriptors: <b>Water Odors</b> - none normal sewage petroleum chemical other; <b>Water Surface Oils</b> - none slick sheen globs flecks; <b>Turbidity</b> - clear slight turbid opaque; <b>NPS Pollution</b> - no evidence some potential obvious; <b>Sediment Odors</b> - none normal sewage petroleum chemical anaerobic; <b>Sediment Oils</b> - absent slight moderate profuse; <b>Deposits</b> - none sludge sawdust paper fiber sand relict shells other.  <b>Are the undersides of stones deeply embedded black?</b> </small>	





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**FLOWING WATERBODY FIELD DATA FORM**

(Information and comments for fields boxed in double lines are required database entries. Other fields are optional for personal use.)

<b>Date-Time-Initials*</b> Example 20040212-0312-XYZ	20171129 - 0853 - ASC	<b>Watershed Code (HUC)</b>	<b>Stream Code</b>	<b>Ch. 93 Use</b>			
Date	Time	Initials	02040205	185			
<b>Secondary Station ID</b>	8 LBA	Surveyed by: ASC, AS					
*Date as YYYYMMDD, time as military time, and your initials uniquely identify the stream reach.				<b>SWP Watershed</b>			
				03H			
<b>Survey Type</b>							
(1) Basin Survey, (2) Cause / Effect, (3) Fish Tissue, (4) Instream Comprehensive Evaluation [ICE], (5) Point-of-First-Use, (6) SERA, (7) Antidegradation [Special Protection], (8) Toxics, (10) Use Attainability, (11) WQN, (12) Limestone, (13) Low-gradient [Multihabitat]				4			
<b>Location</b>							
<b>County:</b>	Chester	<b>Municipality:</b>	Portersburg	<b>Topo Quad:</b> Portersburg, PA			
Location Description: See attached map							
<b>Land Use</b>							
Residential:	%	Commercial:	%	Industrial:			
Abd. Mining:	%	Old Fields:	%	Forest:			
Land Use Comments:							
Canopy cover: open partly shaded mostly shaded <u>fully shaded</u>							
<b>Water Quality</b>							
	<b>Collector-sequence #</b>	<b>Field Meter Readings:</b>					<b>Bottle Notes (N-normal, MNF-metals non-filtered, MF-metals filtered, B-bac't, Others: indicate)</b>
		Temp (°C)	DO (mg/l)	pH	Cond. (µS/cm)	Alkalinity (mg/l)	
1.		6.3	10.72	7.47	223.4	0.2	
2.			8.74		347.5	salinity	
3.						ppt	
Water Appearance/Odor Comments: (* see bottom of back for common descriptors)							
<b>Findings</b>							
Not Impaired:	<input type="checkbox"/>	Impaired biology?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Impaired habitat?	<input type="checkbox"/>	Is impact localized?	<input type="checkbox"/>
Reevaluate designated use? <input type="checkbox"/>							
Decision comments. Describe the rationale for your "Not Impaired" or "Impaired" decision; reach locations for use designation reevaluations; special condition comments; etc.:							
<b>IBI Score:</b>	36.85	<b>Total Habitat Score:</b>	166				

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## Macroinvertebrate sampling

Sampling method: Std. kick screen: ☐ D-frame: ☐ Surber: ☐ Other: ☐ method?: \_\_\_\_\_

Comments/Abundance Notes:

## Habitat Impairment Thresholds

## Metric Score

#3 Riff/Run: embeddedness or #3 Glide/Pool: substrate character + #6 Sediment Deposition = 24 or less  
(20 or less for warm water, low gradient streams)

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#9 Condition of Banks + #10 Bank Vegetation = 24 or less (20 or less for warm water, low gradient streams)

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Total habitat score 140 or less for forested, cold water, high gradient streams (120 or less for warm water, low gradient streams)

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Habitat Comments:

## Special Condition

Use this block to describe conditions that justify attainment/impairment of stations with IBI score &lt;63 and &gt;53.

\*Common descriptors: Water Odors - none normal sewage petroleum chemical other; Water Surface Oils - none slick sheen globs flecks; Turbidity - clear slight turbid opaque; NPS Pollution - no evidence some potential obvious; Sediment Odors - none normal sewage petroleum chemical anaerobic; Sediment Oils - absent slight moderate profuse; Deposits - none sludge sawdust paper fiber sand relict shells other. Are the undersides of stones deeply embedded black?



APPENDIX E  
PROFESSIONAL QUALIFICATIONS

**Aaron S. Clauser, PhD, CPESC –**

At Clauser Environmental, LLC, he serves as the technical/production lead on scientific projects. Dr. Clauser has his bachelor's degree in Biology and Environmental Studies from East Stroudsburg University of Pennsylvania and a doctorate in Environmental Science from Lehigh University. Dr. Clauser is a Certified Professional in Erosion and Sediment Control. He has experience as an environmental regulator with the Berks and Schuylkill Conservation Districts where he has served at both the technician and managerial levels. Dr. Clauser began consulting as a Senior Environmental Scientist and Project Manager for RETTEW Associates, Inc. He has given oral presentations at conferences held by the Ecological Society of America, American Society of Limnology and Oceanography, Coldwater Heritage Partnership, Partnership for the Delaware Estuary, Delaware Riverkeeper, Pocono Comparative Lakes Program and Schuylkill and Berks Conservation Districts and has collaborated on an article published about Pacific Northwest amphibians in a peer-reviewed journal. Dr. Clauser has completed numerous training courses including DEP sponsored NPDES, Chapter 102 and 105 technical seminars, Applied Fluvial Geomorphology for Engineers (FGE) by Wildland Hydrology, Inc., and Environmentally Sensitive Maintenance of Dirt and Gravel Roads Training. Dr. Clauser served in the PA Air National Guard where he attained the rank of Staff Sergeant. His doctoral dissertation entitled "Zooplankton to Amphibians: Sensitivity to UVR in Temporary Pools" includes quantitative optical and organismal level models that are extended to landscape level variations in pool optical properties and population level sensitivity to Ultraviolet Radiation.

**Krista S. Clauser –**

As the President of Clauser Environmental, LLC, she is responsible for overall client satisfaction, quality assurance, educational outreach programs, and project management. Ms. Clauser has her bachelor's degree in Special Education and Elementary Education from Kutztown University of Pennsylvania and graduate level coursework in Education from Kutztown University of Pennsylvania and Indiana Wesleyan University. She has experience as a Special Education Teacher at Schuylkill Intermediate Unit and a homeschool educator at the elementary and secondary levels. Ms. Clauser has expertise in integrating environmental/outdoor curricula into a diversity of subjects and educational settings.