APPENDIX A

Geomorphic Plots of Channel Cross Sections and Longitudinal Profiles

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On-Site Cross-Sections and Longitudinal Profile with Photo-documentation

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Cross section #1 looking upstream



Cross section #1 looking downstream









Cross section #2 looking upstream













Cross section #3 looking upstream



Cross section #3 looking downstream









Cross section #4 looking upstream



Cross section #4 looking downstream







Cross section #5 looking upstream







Bank Erosion Cross-Sections and Longitudinal Profiles with Photo-documentation





Bank erosion cross section #1 looking upstream









	Bank I	Erosion	Prediction				
Stream Walker Run	^	Cro BEX	ss Section 5 年 ユ	Date 3/18/09			
	Near	Bank St	ress Rating		3,20		
Mean Shear S Bankfull Hydraulic Badius (ft) – R	Stress		Conversion of Adjo	of Numerical Indices to ective Ratings			
Water Surface Facet Slope (ft/ft) S Shear Stress (lb/ft ²) $\tau = \gamma RS \gamma = 62.4 lb/ft^3$	0.007	/	Near Bank Stress Rating	Near Bank Stress/Mean Shear Stress			
•			Very Low	<0.8			
Near Bank Shea	ır Stress		Low	0.8 - 1.05			
Bankfull Hydraulic Radius (ft) Ř (near bank 1/3)	1.3		Moderate	1.06 - 1.14			
Near Bank Water Surface Slope (ft/ft) S	0.004		High	1.15 - 1.19			
Shear Stress (lb/ft ²) Tinear bank= yRS	0.32		Very High	1.2 - 1.6			
			Extreme	>1.6			
Near Bank Stress/ Mean Shear Stress (τ near bank/τ)	123		Near Bank Stress Rating	Very High			
	Stream E	Bank Erc	dibility Rating				
BEH	Rating		V	1.5h			
	Bank Erosion	Predicti	on at Cross Sect	ion			
Α	B		C	D			
Lateral Erosion at Cross Section	Bank Heig	ght	Length of Bank	Predicted Erosion			
(feet/year)	(feet)		(feet)	feet ³			
1.75	4.06		1	5.07 Fr3 yr			
Circle graph used:	C	olorado	۸	(Yellowstone)			
Column A:	Use Stream Bank Erodibility Rating and Near Bank Stress Rating in conjunction with Figure 6-27 in Rosgen, 1996.						
Column R:	Study Bank Height	Illen Cross	s Section Plot: too of t	pank - loe of bank)			

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BEHI Variable Worksheet



			Bank Ero	dibility Hazard	Rating Guide		
	Stream Walke	r Run	Reach	BEXS #	Date	3/18/09	Crew BRU, EPJ
	Bank Height (ft):		Bank Height/	Root Depth/	Root	Bank Angle	Surface
	Bankfull Height (f	t):	Bankfull Ht	Bank Height	Density %	(Degrees)	Protection%
		Value	1.0-1.1	1.0-0,9	100-80	0-20	100-80
	VERY LOW	Index	1.0-1.9	1.0-1.9	1.0-1.9	1.0-1.9	1,0-1.9
		Choice	V: I:	V: I:	V: I:	V: I:	V: I:
		Value	1,11-1,19	0.89-0.5	79-55	21-60	79-55
	LOW	Index	2:0-3.9	2.0-3,9	2.0-3.9	2.0-3.9	2.0-3.9
Potential		Choice	V: I:	ý: ji:	Vi ti	V: t:	V: I:
		Value	1.2-1.5	0.49-0.3	54-30	61-80	54-30
	MODERATE	Index	4.0-5:9	4:0-5.9	4.0-5.9	4.0-5.9	4.0-5.9
E C		Choice	V: I:	V: Tř	V: I:	V: 75 1: 5.5	V: I:
sig		Value	1.6-2.0	0.29-0.15	29-15	81-90	29-15
Ш. С	HIGH	Index	6.0-7.9	6.0-7.9	6.0-7.9	6.0-7.9	6.0-7.9
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3aj		Value	2.1-2.8	0.14-0.05	14-5.0	91-119	14-10
_	VERY HIGH	Index	8:0-9.0	8.0-9.0	8.0-9.0	8.0-9.0	8.0-9.0
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		Value	>2.8	<0.05	<5	>119	<10
	EXTREME	Index	10	10	10	10	10
		Choice	V: 3. 781:)0	V: I:	V: I:	V: I:	V: I:
	V = value, I = inde	ex		SUB-TOT	AL (Sum one index	from each column)	39.4

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VERY LOW	LOW	MODERATE	HIGH	VERY HIGH	EXTREME	
5-9.5	10-19.5	20-29.5	30-39.5	40-45	46-50	
Bank location descri	ption (circle one)			GRAND TOTAL	1 26 11
Straight Reach	Outside of Bend	D			BEHI RATING	1 31.7

Stream.			Location:		Date:		Crew:		
Method 1	Transverse Extensive di Chute cutoffs	and/or centra eposition (co down-valley r	al bars - shor nlinuous, cro meander miora	t and/or disc oss channel). ation, convergi	ontinuous. N NBS = Extr na flow (See N	IBS = High∕V eme IBS #1), NBS =	ery High = Extreme		
Method 2	Radius of Curvature Rc (feet)	Bankfull Width W _{okf} (feet)	Ratio Rc/W	Method 3	Pool Slope S _p	Average Slope S	Ratio S _p /S		
Method 4	Pool Slope Sa	Řiffle Slope Sat	Ratio S ₋ /S _{-d} ²	Method 5	Neer- Bank Max Depth dat (feet)	Mean Depth d (feet)	Ratio d _{av} /d		
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Method 6	Near- Bank Max Bank Depth Slope		Near- Bank Shear Stress	Mean Depth	Average Slope	Bankfull Shear Stress	Ratio		
	d _{nb} (feet)	S _{nb}	$\tau_{\rm nb}$ (lb/ft ²)	d (feet)	S	τ (ľo/ft ²)	τ _{nb} /τ		
	13	0.004	0.32	0.6	0.007	0.26	1.23		
Method 7	Velocity	Gradient	1.						

Table 1. Documentation of ratios and derived values for near-bank stress

Table 2. Converting Ratio Values to an Overall Near-Bank Stress Rating

Method Number	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Rating*							
Very Low		>3.0	< 0.20	< 0.4	<1.0	<0.8	<1.0
Low	N/A	2.21 - 3.0	0.20 - 0.40	0.41 - 0.60	1.0 - 1.5	0.8 - 1.05	1.0 - 1.2
Moderate	}	2.01 - 2.2	0.41 - 0.60	0.61 - 0.80	1.51 - 1.8	1.06 - 1.14	1.21 - 1.6
High	Sec (1)	1.81 - 2.0	0.61 - 0.80	0.81 - 1.0	1.81 - 2.5	1.15 - 1.19	1.61 - 2.0
Very High	Abova	1.5 - 1.8	0.81 - 1.0	1.01 - 1.2	2.51 - 3.0	1.20 - 1.60	2.01 - 2.3
Extreme	A0076	< 1.5	> 1.0	> 1.2	> 3.0	> 1.6	> 2.3

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- 5. Ratio of near-bank maximum depth to bankfull mean depth (das/das): Level III Detailed Prediction.

6. Ratio of near-bank shear stress to bankfull shear stress (1.3/1.1). Near bank = 1/3 of channel width at study site - Level UI - Detailed Prediction

7 Velocity profiles/Isovels/Velocity gradient: Level IV - Validation.

Note: Only select the method(s) appropriate for level of assessment and site conditions. It is not necessary to select all methods to obtain an average near-bank stress rating.



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Bank erosion cross section #2 looking upstream



Bank Erosion cross section #2 looking downstream









Stream Valker R	1								
	- w 17	Cros BE7	ss Section くらゅ こ	Date 3/18/09					
	Ne	ar Bank St	tress Rating						
Mean Shear S	Stress	1							
Bankfull Hydraulic Radius (ft) R	6.6		Adje Adje	ective Ratings					
Nater Surface Facet Slope (ft/ft) S	0.008		Near Bank	Near Bank Stress/Mean					
Shear Stress (lb/ft ²) t = $\gamma RS \gamma = 62.4 lb/ft^3$	0. 29	/	Stress Rating	Shear Stress					
			Very Low	<0.8					
Near Bank Shea	ar Stress		Low	0.8 - 1.05					
3ankfull Hydraulic Radius ft) R (near bank 1/3)	0.9		Moderate	1.06 - 1 .14					
vear Bank Water Surface Slope (ft/ft) S	0.005		High	1.15 - 1.19					
Shear Stress (lb/ft ²) Enear bank= yRS	0.28		Very High	1.2 - 1.6					
	, ,		Extreme	>1.6					
Vear Bank Stress/ Vean Shear Stress τ near bank/τ)	0.96		Near Bank Stress Rating	Low					
	Stream	n Bank Ero	dibility Rating						
BEH	I Rating			High					
	Bank Erosic	on Predictio	on at Cross Sect	ion					
A	В		С	D					
Lateral Erosion at Cross Section	Bank H	eight	Length of Bank	Predicted Erosion					
(feet/year)	(fee	t)	(feet)	feet ³					
0.45	4.5	1	1	2.02 Fr3/ye					
Sircle graph used:	<u></u>	Colorado		Yellowstone					
	Use Stream Ban Figure 6-27 in Ri	ik Erodibility R	ating and Near Bank	Stress Rating in conjunction with					
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Column A: Column B:	Study Bank Heig	tht (Use Cross	Section Plot: top of b	eank - toe of bank)					

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			Bank Ero	dibility Hazard	Rating Guide	·	
	Stream Walk	er Run	3/18/09	Crew BRU, EPS			
	Bank Height (ft):		Bank Height	Root Depth/	Root	Bank Angle	Surface
	Bankfull Height (ft):	Bankfull Ht	Bank Height	Density %	(Degrees)	Protection%
		Value	1,0-1,1	1.0-0.9	100-80	0-20	100-80
	VERY LOW	Index	1.0-1.9	1.0-1.9	1.0-1.9	1.0-1.9	1.0-1.9
		Choice	V: I;	V: I:	V: 1:	V: I:	V:I:
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	LOW	Index	2.0-3.9	2.0-3.9	2.0-3.9	2.0-3.9	2.0-3.9
tia		Choice	V: I:	V: I:	V;I:	V: I:	V: I:
ten		Value	1.2-1.5	0.49-0.3	54-30	51-80	54-30
Ó L	MODERATE	Index	4.0-5.9	4.0-5.9	4.0-5.9	4.0-5.9	4.0-5.9
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)sic		Value	1.6-2.0	0.29-0.15	29-15	81-90	29-15
ŭ	HIGH	Index	6.0-7.9	6.0-7.9	6.0-7.9	6.0-7.9	6.0-7.9
¥		Choice	V: I:	V: t:	V: I:	V:85-1:70	V: 1550 1: 7.75
Ba		Value	2.1-2.8	0.14-0.05	14-5.0	91-119	14-10
_	VERY HIGH	Index	8.0-9.0	8.0-9 <u>.</u> 0	8.0-9.0	8,0-9.0	8.0-9.0
		Choice	V; I:	V: I:	V: 89, 1: 8.75	V: l	V; I:
		Value	>2.8	<0.05	<5	>119	<10
	EXTREME	Index	10	10	10	10	10
		Choice	V: 5.081: 10	V; I;	V: I:	V: I:	V: I:
	V = value, I = inde	x		SUB-TOT	AL (Sum one index	from each column)	37.5

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Bank location description	(circle one)	>			GRAND TÓTAL BEHLRATING	375

Stream:		Location: Date: Crew:											
Method 1	Transverse Extensive d Chute cutoffs	and/or centra eposition (co , down-valley r	al bars - shor ntinuous, cro neander migra	t and/or disc oss channel). ation, convergi	ontinuous. N NBS = Extr ng îlow (See N	IBS = High/V eme IBS #1). NBS =	ery High = Extreme						
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Method 4	Pool Slope Sc	Riffle Slope S _{rit}	Ratio S _r /S _{ri} :	Method 5	Near- Bank Max Depth d _{ne} (feet)	Mean Depth d (feet)	Ratio d _{nt} /d						
Method 6	Near- Near- Bank Max Bank Depth Slope		Near- Bank Shear Stress	Mean Depth	Average Slope	Bankfull Shear Stress	Ratio						
	d _{nb} (feet)	S _{nb}	$\tau_{nb}(lb/ft^2)$	d (feet)	S	τ (lb/ft ²)	τ _{nb} /τ						
	1.3	0.004	0.32	0.6	0.007	0.26	1.23						
Method 7	Velocity	Gradient	••										

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Method Number	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Rating*		·	••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••	·····		• · · · · ·	•
Very Low]	>3.0	< 0.20	< 0.4	<1.0	<0.8	<1.0
Low] N/A	2.21 - 3.0	0.20 - 0.40	0.41 - 0.60	1.0 - 1.5	0.8 - 1.05	1.0 - 1.2
Moderate	1	2.01 - 2.2	0.41 - 0.60	0.61 - 0.80	1.51 - 1.8	1.06 - 1.14	1.21 - 1.6
High	Con (1)	1.81 - 2.0	0.61 - 0.80	0.81 - 1.0	1.81 - 2.5	1.15 - 1.19	1.61 - 2.0
Very High		1.5 - 1.8	0.81 - 1.0	1.01 - 1.2	2.51 - 3.0	1.20 - 1.60	2.01 - 2.3
Extreme		< 1.5	> 1.0	> 1.2	> 3.0	> 1.6	> 2.3

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- 4. Ratio of pool slope to riffle slope (S_0/S_{nf}): Level II General Prediction.
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- 6. Ratio of near-basik shear stress to bankfull shear stress (Ly/102). Near basik = 1/3 of channel width at study site Level 111 Detailed Prediction

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Bank erosion cross section#3 looking downstream





	slope (%)	slope ratio	iength (ft)	length ratio	pool-pool spacing (ft)	p-p ratio
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riffle						
pool						
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back sight to benchmark	No. Sec. Sec.			0	93.32	di Kasa	wall been						The second						
					93.32		8.52	0.5						84.8	85.3				
debris jam (small)		18			93.32		9.02	1						84.3	85.3				
		22			93.32		9	0.95						84.32	85.27				
		43			93 32		8.81	0.75						84.51	85.26				
Begin Study Bank		77			93 32		8.79	0.7						84.53	85.23				
		89			93.32		9.27	1.2						84.05	85.25				
BEXS#3	BEXS3	94.7			93.32		9.1							84.22	85.22				
		103			93.32		9,5	1.44						83.82	85.26				
		115			93.32		9.61	1.55						83.71	85.26				
		122			93.32		9.62	1.54						83.7	85.24				
End Study Bank		151			93.32		8.98	0.98						84.34	85.32				
		173			93.32		9.03	0.95						84.29	85 24				
					93.32														







	Ban	k Erosioi	n Prediction		
Stream Wolker Run		Cross Section BEXS#3		Date 3 / 18 /04	
	Ne	ar Bank St	ress Rating		
Mean Shear S Bankfull Hydraulic Radius (ft) R		Conversion of Numerical Indices to Adjective Ratings			
Water Surface Facet Slope (ft/ft) S Shear Stress (lb/ft ²) $\tau = \gamma RS \gamma = 62.4 lb/ft^3$	0.00035		Near Bank Stress Rating	Near Bank Stress/Mean Shear Stress	
	4 <u> </u>	' /	Very Low	<0.8	
Near Bank Shea	r Stress		Low	0.8 - 1.05	
Bankfull Hydraulic Radius (ft) R (near bank 1/3)	1.2		Moderate	1.06 - 1.14	
Near Bank Water Surface Slope (ft/ft) S	0.0003		High	1.15 - 1.19	
Shear Stress (lb/ft ²) τ near bank= γRS	0.022		Very High	1.2 - 1.6	
	, <u></u>		Extreme	>1.6	
Near Bank Stress/ Mean Shear Stress (τ near bank/τ)	1.29		Near Bank Stress Rating	Very High	
	Stream	n Bank Ero	dibility Rating		
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	Bank Erosic	on Predicti	on at Cross Sect	ion	
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Lateral Erosion at Cross Section	Bank H	eight	Length of Bank	Predicted Erosion	
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Column B:	Study Bank Heig	ht (Use Cross	s Section Plot: top of t	bank - toe of bank)	
Column C:	input 1 foot for p) cross section			
Column D:	Columns A'B'C				

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			Bank Ero	dibility Hazard	Rating Guide		
	Stream Wolker	Run	Reach	BEXS #3	Date	3/18/04	Crew BRU, EPJ
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ten		Value	1.2-1.5	0,49-0.3	54-30	.61-80	54-30
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n N		Choice	V: I:	V: I:	V: I:	V: I:	V: I:
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ыло	HIGH	Index	6.0-7.9	6.0-7.9	6.0-7,9	6.0-7.9	6.0-7,9
ž	•	Choice	V: I;	V: I:	V: 1581: 7.9	V: 40 1: 7.9	V: I:
Bai		Value	2.1-2.8	0,14-0.05	14-5.0	91+119	14-10
_	VERY HIGH	Index	8.0-9.0	8.0-9.0	8.0-9.0	8.0-9,0	8.0-9.0
		Choice	V: I:	V: I:	V: I:	V: E	V; I;
		Value	>2.8	<0:05	<\$	>119	<10
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lank	location descript	ion (circle one)				GRAND TOTAL	1 207
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Stream:			Location:		Date:	Crew:			
Method 1	Transverse and/or central bars - short and/or discontinuous. NBS = High/Very H lethod 1 Extensive deposition (continuous, cross channel). NBS = Extreme (Chute cutoffs, down-valley meander migration, converging flow (See NBS #1). NBS = Extre								
Method 2	Radius of Curvature Rc (feet)	Bankfull Width W _{oxf} (feet)	Ratio Rc/W	Method 3	Pool Slope S _p	Average Slope S	Ratio S₂/S		
Method 4	Pool Slope S _p	Riffle Slope S _{rif}	Ratio S _p /S _{rif} ∶	Method 5	Near- Bank Max Depih d _{nb} (feel)	Mean Depth d (feet)	Ratio d _{nb} ∕d		
Method 6	Near- Bank Max Depth d _{nb} (feet)	Near- Bank Slope S _{nb}	Near- Bank Shear Stress T _{nb} (lb/ft ²)	Mean Depth d (feet)	Average Slope S	Bankfull Shear Stress τ (1b/ft ²) $\alpha > 7.6$	Ratio τ_{nb}/τ		
Method 7	Velocity	Gradient	1,						

Table 1. Documentation of ratios and derived values for near-bank stress

Table 2. Converting Ratio Values to an Overall Near-Bank Stress Rating

Method Number	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Rating*							
Very Lovi	N/A	>3.0	< 0.20	< 0.4	<1.0	<0.8	<1.0
Low		2.21 - 3.0	0.20 - 0.40	0.41 - 0.60	1.0 - 1.5	0.8 - 1.05	1.0 - 1.2
Moderate		2.01 - 2.2	0.41 - 0.60	0.61 - 0.80	1.51 - 1.8	1.06 - 1.14	1.21 - 1.6
High	Sec (1)	1.81 - 2.0	0.61 - 0.80	0.81 - 1.0	1.81 - 2.5	1.15 - 1.19	1.61 - 2.0
Very High	Above	1.5 - 1.8	0.81 - 1.0	1.01 - 1.2	2.51 - 3.0	1.20 - 1.60	2.01 - 2.3
Extreme	AUGVE	< 1.5	> 1.0	> 1.2	> 3.0	> 1.6	> 2.3

*Circle the dominant near-bank stress rating selected.

Methods for Estimating Near-Bank Stress

1. Transverse bar or split channel/central bar creating NBS/high velocity gradient: Level I - Reconnaissance.

2. Channel pattern (Rc/W): Level II - General Prediction.

3. Ratio of pool slope to average water surface slope (S_p/S) : Level 11 - General Prediction.

4. Ratio of pool slope to riftle slope $(S_p/S_{n!})$: Level II - General Prediction.

5. Ratio of near-bank maximum depth to bankfull mean depth (dav/deve): Level III - Detailed Prediction.

6. Ratio of near-bank shear stress to bankfull shear stress (Lydeng). Near bank = 1/3 of channel width at study site - Level UI - Detailed Prediction

7. Velocity profiles/Isovels/Velocity gradient: Level IV - Validation.

Note: Only select the method(s) appropriate for level of assessment and site conditions. It is not necessary to select all methods to obtain an average near-bank stress rating.

Assessment Reach Cross-Sections and Longitudinal Profile with Photo-documentation

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Assessment reach cross section #1 looking upstream













Assessment reach cross section #2 looking upstream



Assessment reach cross section #2 looking downstream











1) Individual Pebble Count

Two individual samples may be entered below. Select sample type for each.



Longitudinal Profile - Walker Run ---- bed • 94 93 93 y = -0.0157x + 96.488 \triangle \triangle 182.1 180 277.0 270 285

Channel Distance (ft)

	slope (%)	slope ratio	length (ft)	length ratio	pool-pool spacing (ft)	p-p ratio
reach	1.7		320.0 (20.5 channel widths)			_
riffle						
pool						

Longitudinal Slope Profile





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I.

INTRODUCTION

Surveys for fish species composition and the presence of wild brown trout were extended through this effort to the section of Walker Run upstream of Beach Grove Road. This section of Walker Run is significantly different than the downstream segments that were sampled previously. Casual observation shows the upstream segment to have better stream habitat quality, a higher elevational grade, and desirable riparian habitat that provides canopy cover to the stream.

The presence of wild brown trout in the downstream segment (below Beach Grove Road), as documented in earlier surveys, has raised questions regarding (1) the habitat quality in the downstream section, (2) how it compares to the upstream section, (3) whether wild brown trout are found throughout the two sections, and (4) the distribution of brown trout in the two stream sections.

The following report describes the findings of additional fish surveys and habitat assessments throughout the two sections of Walker Run, located in Salem Township, Luzerne County, PA and more specifically located upstream, within, and downstream of the proposed PP&L Bell Bend Nuclear Power Plant (BBNPP) site.

The fish surveys and habitat assessments completed through this effort were completed at three separate sampling reaches in the upstream section of Walker Run (above Beach Grove Road) and at three separate sampling reaches in the downstream section (below Beach Grove Road). Fish surveys were focused on accurately characterizing the fish species composition at each sampling reach, and the number and body length of wild brown trout. Habitat assessments were similarly completed at the same six sampling reaches. Habitat assessments consisted of completing visual characterizations of habitat quality using the EPA's Rapid Bioassessment Protocols, and completing macroinvertebrate community sampling at the same six sampling reaches. Of the six sampling reaches surveyed in this effort, sampling reach 5 was within the proposed project site.

The combination of these survey approaches across both upstream and downstream sections of Walker Run allow us to both characterize and compare the wild brown trout distribution and stream habitat quality in these two different stream sections.

II. METHODS

On March 25, 2009, Landstudies and Normandeau Associates performed the electroshocking field survey for characterizing the fish community in Walker Run, in Salem Township, Luzerne County, PA. Fish surveys were conducted using an electrofishing pram with a single or double anode probe, depending on stream reach being surveyed. The electrofishing gear was powered by a Georator unit producing 230 volt DC current with the output ranging from 2 to 5 amperes. A single electrofishing pass was made through each sampling reach. All captured fish were identified to species and brown trout were measured for total length. All fish were released. The location and stream length of each sampling reach is shown in Figure 1.

Visual habitat assessments were performed at six sampling reaches on March 31 and April 1, 2009. The high gradient habitat assessment field data sheets, which are part of the EPA's Rapid Bioassessment Protocols (RBP), were utilized for Sampling Reaches 1 through 3 in the higher elevational gradient upstream section of Walker Run. The low gradient habitat assessment field data sheets, also part of the RBP, were utilized for Sampling Reaches 4 through 6 in the downstream section of Walker Run. The RBP evaluates ten habitat quality parameters on a 0 to 20 scale, with scores of 16 to 20 indicating optimal habitat quality, scores of 11 to 15 indicating suboptimal habitat quality, scores of 6 to 10 indicating marginal habitat quality, and scores of 0 to 5 indicating poor habitat quality. The location and stream length of each habitat assessment sampling reach is shown in Figure 2.

Macroinvertebrate community surveys were performed at the six sampling reaches on March 31 and April 1, 2009. A 500-micron mesh D-frame net was used to collect stream macroinvertebrates from four separate riffle sections within each sampling reach. The four riffle sections were selected within each reach to include the spectrum of riffle habitat conditions in each reach. Macroinvertebrate sampling in the downstream section of Walker Run, and particularly in sampling reaches 5 and 6, was challenging to locate four distinct riffle habitats. In some cases, marginal riffle/run habitat was selected for macroinvertebrate sampling because higher quality riffle habitats were not present. At each reach, the four separate riffle section samples were composited into one sample to provide a stream reach characterization. The locations of the four D-net jabs at each of the six sampling reaches are shown in Figure 3.

Macroinvertebrate samples were preserved in isopropyl alcohol in the field. Samples were sorted into vials in the laboratory using a 5X illuminated magnifying lamp. All samples were sorted completely. Organisms were identified to the genus level using a stereo microscope, except for midge larvae (Family Chironomidae), nematodes (Phylum Nematoda), and segmented worms (Class Oligochaeta).

Trout spawning gravels were sampled within each of the six habitat assessment reaches. The reach was visually inspected throughout its length, and the best spawning gravel location was selected. This sampling selection was based on the location in the reach with the highest gravel concentration, the least silt and sand embeddedness, and a location preferably at a pool-riffle transition where upwelling would most likely occur. These characteristics are critical for trout to be able to construct redds in the gravel (where they will lay and fertilize eggs) and to maximize the exchange of oxygen and metabolic wastes through interstitial gravel spaces. A six-inch diameter PBC pipe was placed at the selected location (see Photo 1 in Appendix B) and the top 3-inches of enclosed gravel, cobble, silt, sand, and clay were removed from inside the PVC pipe and transferred to a plastic bag. The sampled substrate materials were allowed to dry in a flat sample tray, then photographed and the substrate composition was visually estimated. When each reach was visually inspected to select the spawning gravel location, the frequency of high quality spawning gravel locations within the reach was noted. This sampling is useful, from a trout spawning perspective, to characterize (1) the best, rather than the average, stream substrate composition in the reach, and (2) the composition of the stream substrate with depth since trout will excavate the substrate to be able to bury the eggs in the constructed redd.

III. FINDINGS

A. FISHERIES SURVEY

A total of 1,140 fish were collected and identified during the March 25, 2009 fisheries survey of Walker Run. The stream length of the sampling reaches averaged 300 feet, and totaled 1,797 feet (see Table 1). The average electroshocking time for the sampling reaches (time the shocker was turned on and sampling for fish) was 34 minutes, with a total of 203 minutes of shocking time.

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A total of eight fish species were collected in the sampling (Table 1). The largest number of fish were collected in reach 6 (the most downstream sampling reach), with about 44 percent of the total number of fish in the survey. White sucker, fallfish, creek chub, and tessellated darters comprised over 95 percent of the fish collected in reach 6 (Table 2). These species are tolerant of lower water quality conditions. Fallfish and tessellated darters were not collected at any other sampling reach (Figure 4). Twice as many creek chub were collected in the downstream section of Walker Run as the upstream section, and nearly four times as many white sucker were collected in the downstream section as the upstream section (Figure 4, Table 1).

Blacknose dace and brown trout were generally collected throughout the two sections of Walker Run, although they were low in abundance in the most downstream Reach 6. Green sunfish and pumpkinseeds were more abundant in the downstream section. These latter two species are typical of warmwater conditions where riparian canopy cover is more open.

A total of 89 wild brown trout were collected in this survey (Table 1), with nearly twice as many brown trout collected from the upstream section as the downstream section (59 versus 30). Brown trout abundance in the survey collections generally decreased as you move downstream on Walker Run (Figure 5). Brown trout comprised between 13.4 and 22.2 percent of the fish population at the three upstream sampling reaches, while they comprised between 0.4 and 10.1 percent of the fish population at the three downstream sampling reaches (Table 2). These findings indicate that habitat conditions are more suitable for brown trout in the upstream section of Walker Run.

The body length data for the collected brown trout is shown in Table 3. These data, depicted graphically in Figure 6, indicate that the range of body lengths were found at all but the most downstream reach 6. The size distribution for brown trout at each sampling reach is shown in Figure 7. The greatest number of small brown trout ($\leq 100 \text{ mm}$) were collected at the most upstream sampling reach 1. A total of 21 brown trout $\leq 100 \text{ mm}$ were collected in the upstream section of Walker Run, while a total of 6 brown trout $\leq 100 \text{ mm}$ were collected in the downstream section. This distribution is represented graphically in Figure 8. Assuming that these smallest size brown trout do not migrate extensively from where they were born, this would suggest that the most upstream section of Walker Run has the better habitat for trout spawning and fry development.

In the previous fish survey of Walker Run, completed in July 2008, the largest number of brown trout were collected at the most upstream sampling reach in that survey. That sampling reach corresponds to the most upstream sampling reach in the downstream section of Walker Run in the current survey effort (corresponding to sampling reach 4). The July 2008 survey did not sample in the upstream section of Walker Run.

B. HABITAT ASSESSMENT

Physical habitat characterizations, using RBP field data protocols, are shown in Table 4 for each habitat assessment sampling reach. Canopy cover was shaded at the three upstream assessment reaches, while is was partly open or open at the three downstream assessment reaches. Riffles were more common in the upstream section of Walker Run than the lower section. Reach 5 is channelized with a trapezoidal channel shape. Just downstream from this channelized section in reach 5 is a beaver dam. We intentionally did not include the backwater areas from this beaver dam in our fish sampling nor in our habitat assessments because it is of poor habitat quality for both fish and







Table 1. Number of fish electroshocked in Walker Run on March 25, 2009. Electroshocking time and sampling reach length provided.

Species	Reach 1	Reach 2	Reach 3	Reach 4	Reach 5	Reach 6	Combined
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Electroshocking Time (min)	44	35	31	21	32	40	203
Sampling Reach Length (ft)	390	370	255	260	247	275	1,797
Creak Chub (Sariatilua atromaculatus)	54	27	14	27	62	00	202
	04	21	14	51	02	99	293
White sucker (Catostomus commersoni)	34	25	3	12	8	210	292
Blacknose Dace (Rhinichthys atratulus)	58	24	49	49	75	13	268
Fallfish (Semotilus corporalis)	0	0	0	. 0.	0	115	115
Brown Trout (Salmo trutta)	23	22	14	11	17	2	89
Tesselated Darter (Etheostoma olmstedi)	0	0	0	0	0	59	59
Green Sunfish (Lepomis cyanellus)	3	1	0	5	6	8	23
Pumpkinseed (Lepomis gibbosus)	0	0	0	0	0	1	1
Total:	172	.99	80	114	168	507	1,140





Figure 4. Fish Species Distribution in Walker Run



 Table 2. Fish species composition at the six reaches in Walker Run, sampled on March 25, 2009. Electroshocking time and sampling reach length provided.

Species	Reach 1	Reach 2	Reach 3	Reach 4	Reach 5	Reach 6	Combined
			•				
Creek Chub (Semotilis atromaculatus)	31.4%	27.3%	17.5%	32.5%	36.9%	19.5%	25.7%
White sucker (Catostoma commersoni)	19.8%	25.3%	3.8%	10.5%	4.8%	41.4%	25.6%
Blacknose Dace (Rhinichthys atratulus)	33.7%	24.2%	61.3%	43.0%	44.6%	2.6%	23.5%
Fallfish (Semotilus corporalis)	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	22.7%	10.1%
Brown Trout (Salmo trutta)	13.4%	22.2%	17.5%	9.6%	10.1%	0.4%	7.8%
Tesselated Darter (Etheostoma olmstedi)	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	11.6%	5.2%
Green Sunfish (Lepomis cyanellus)	1.7%	1.0%	0.0%	4.4%	3.6%	1.6%	2.0%
Pumpkinseed (Lepomis gibbosus)	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.2%	0.1%
Total:	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%





macroinvertebrates. Visual observations indicate significant sediment deposition in the backwater areas, with extensive algal growth in these slower moving waters.

Attached algae is abundant at the two most downstream assessment reaches in Walker Run, indicating the input of nutrients from upstream agricultural land uses. Attached algae were also present at the most upstream assessment reach, indicating the input of nutrients from the agricultural land use just upstream of this reach.

Percent embeddedness is similar at the four most upstream assessment reaches, ranging from 25 to 35 percent. Assessment reaches 5 and 6, however, have higher percent embeddedness ranging from 60 to 70 percent which is largely comprised of sand and silt. Gravel substrate in the stream bottom was more common at the four most upstream assessment reaches (20 to 30 percent of the stream bottom) compared to the two most downstream assessment reaches (5 to 10 percent). Gravels are important for wild brown trout spawning, as is a low percent embeddedness with sands and silts (less than 30 percent is optimal), and a shaded canopy cover (Raleigh et. al, 1986; Katzel and McKnight, 2001).

The RBP habitat assessment results (Table 5) indicate optimal or near-optimal habitat quality in the upper section of Walker Run, while the habitat quality is marginal in the lower section of Walker Run. The marginal habitat quality in the downstream section of Walker Run is largely due to higher embeddedness, greater sediment deposition, channel alteration, fewer riffles, very poor bank stability and vegetative protection, and the absence of significant forested riparian zones. The high streambanks, accumulation of legacy sediments, and consequent bank erosion in the downstream sections of Walker Run are a primary cause for the poor stream substrate conditions in the lower

Table 3. Body lengths of brown trout collected in Walker Run on March 25, 2009.

Reach No.	Length (mm)	Length (mm)	Length (mm)	Length (mm)	Length (mm)	Length (mm)	Count	Min (mm)	Max (mm)	No. <= 100 mm
1	317	240	179	205	247	255	23	75	317	12
	157	160	96	93	162	122				
	100	110	89	100	96	93				
	95	77	88	81	75					
					1945 - 1946 - 1947 - 19					
2	324	155	188	166	188	250	22	90	324	5
	177	166	168	151	152	99				
	<u>102</u>	165	99	100	110	154				
	119	98	90	176						
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3	266	107	200	153	166	192	14	83	266	4
	126	83	92	109	117	106				
	94	88								
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4	203	218	301	196	197	101	11	99	301	1
	106	206	128	111	99					
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5	285	209	224	213	177	218	17	71	355	5
	202	209	195	355	193	80				
	86	93	82	110	71					
	ار این									
6	327	402					2	327	402	0

Figure 6. Brown Trout Size Distribution in Walker Run









Figure 8. Wild brown trout <= 100 mm collected along Walker Run as you move downstream.



C. MACROINVERTEBRATE SURVEY

Macroinvertebrate surveys were collected on March 31 and April 1, 2009 from four separate riffle locations within each of the 6 assessment reaches. A total of 5,680 organisms were identified within 72 taxa (Table 6). The number of taxa collected from the reaches varied from 29 in reach 1 to 46 in reach 5. Pollution tolerance values for each taxon were taken from the CBWP-MANTA EA-05-13 (2005) and from Mandaville (2002). Pollution tolerance values indicate whether organisms within a taxon are intolerant or tolerant of stream pollution.

The pollution tolerance values were utilized with the macroinvertebrate sampling results to calculate a biotic index for each stream reach. The Hilsenhof Biotic Index (HBI) provides a single metric to characterize the stream reach based on which taxa were collected there and their pollution tolerance. The HBI findings (Table 7) clearly show that the upstream four reaches have very good water quality, while the lower two reaches have good to fair water quality. The EPT Ratio is a ratio based on the percent of the total organisms collected in a reach that were either mayflies (Order Ephemeroptera), stoneflies (Order Plecoptera), or caddisflies (Order Trichoptera). These three orders of insects are generally intolerant of pollution, particularly the mayflies and stoneflies. The EPT ratio indicates that reaches 2 and 3 have the highest water quality. This finding is similarly indicated using the Percent Ephemeroptera metric and Percent Plecoptera metric.

D. SPAWNING GRAVEL SAMPLING

Photographs of the sampled gravels that were the best sites for potential brown trout spawning in each habitat assessment reach are shown in Figures 9 to 14. When fully dried, the composition of the gravels was visually estimated based on particle size ranges.

Physical Attributes	REACH 1	REACH 2	REACH 3
Stream Reach Length (ft)	195	255	295
Average Stream Width (ft) - riffle	13	13	11
Average Stream Depth (ft) - riffle	0.18	0.45	0.50
Canopy Cover	shaded	shaded	shaded
Riffles - Proportion of Reach	60%	70%	60%
Runs - Proportion of Reach	10%	0%	10%
Pools - Proportion of Reach	30%	30%	30%
Channelized?	no	no	no
Dam Present?	natural	no	no
Percent Large Woody Debris	30%	15%	10%
Attached Algae Present	present	none	none
Percent Embeddedness	25%	35%	30%
Substrate (Percent Composition):			
Boulders (> 10 in)	15%	10%	20%
Cobble (2.5" to 10")	50%	60%	50%
Gravel (0.1" to 2.5")	20%	20%	20%
Sand (0.06 to 2.0 mm)	15%	10%	10%
Silt (0.004 to 0.06 mm)			
Clay (< 0.004 mm)			

Habitat Category	REACHA	REACH 5	REACHS
	·	·	
Stream Reach Length (ft)	310	425	285
Average Stream Width (ft) - riffle	11	13	14
Average Stream Depth (ft) - riffle	0.25	1.05	0.45
Canopy Cover (% shaded)	partly open	partly open	partly open
Riffles - Proportion of Reach	35%	5%	20%
Runs - Proportion of Reach	45%	25%	50%
Pools - Proportion of Reach	20%	70%	30%
Channelized?	no	yes	OU
Dam Present?	no	no	no
Percent Large Woody Debris	0%	0%	5%
Attached Algae Present	none	present	abundant
Percent Embeddedness	30%	60%	70%
Substrate (Percent Composition):			
Boulders (> 10 in)	2%	5%	10%
Cobble (2.5" to 10")	50%	15%	40%
Gravel (0.1" to 2.5")	30%	10%	5%
Sand (0.06 to 2.0 mm)	15%	45%	20%
Silt (0.004 to 0.06 mm)	3%	25%	25%
Clay (< 0.004 mm)			

Table 5. Habitat assessments of Walker Run using EPA's RBP parameters and characterizations,

Habitat Category	REACH 1	REACH 2	REACH 3	
	[]	[]		
Epifaunal substrate / available cover	14	12	13	
Embeddedness / Pool Substrate (LG)	15	12	14	
Velocity / Depth Regime / Pool Variability (LG)	17	14	14	
Sediment deposition	16	12	13	
Channel Flow Status	12	11.	13	
Channel alteration	20	20	20	
Frequency of Riffles	14	18	14	
Bank stability	19	18	15	
Vegetative protection	18	18	20	
Riparian vegetation zone width	20	20	15	
Average Score:	17	16	15	

Habitat Category	REACH 4	REACH 5	REACH 6	Scoring Descriptions
Epifaunal substrate / available cover Embeddedness / Pool Substrate (LG) Velocity / Depth Regime / Pool Variability (LG) Sediment deposition Channel Flow Status Channel alteration Frequency of Riffles / Channel Sinuosity (LG) Bank stability Vegetative protection Riparian vegetation zone width	12 9 9 12 11 17 7 5 7 5 5	$ \begin{array}{r} 10 \\ 7 \\ 6 \\ 7 \\ 18 \\ 6 \\ 3 \\ 5 \\ 7 \\ 6 \\ \hline 7 \\ 7 \\ 6 \\ \hline 7 \\ 6 \\ 7 \\ 6 \\ 7 \\ 6 \\ 7 \\ 6 \\ 7 \\ 6 \\ 7 \\ 6 \\ 7 \\ 6 \\ 7 \\ 6 \\ 7 \\ 6 \\ 7 \\ 6 \\ 7 \\ 7 \\ 6 \\ 7 \\ 6 \\ 7 \\ 6 \\ 7 \\ 7 \\ 6 \\ 7 \\ 7 \\ 6 \\ 7 \\ 7 \\ 6 \\ 7 \\ 7 \\ 7 \\ 6 \\ 7 \\ 7 \\ 6 \\ 7 \\ 7 \\ 7 \\ 6 \\ 7 \\ 7 \\ 7 \\ 7 \\ 7 \\ 6 \\ 7 \\ 7 \\ 7 \\ 7 \\ 6 \\ 7 \\ 7 \\ 7 \\ 7 \\ 6 \\ 7 \\ 7 \\ 7 \\ 7 \\ 6 \\ 7 \\ 7 \\ 7 \\ 7 \\ 7 \\ 7 \\ 7 \\ 6 \\ 7 \\ 7 \\ 7 \\ 7 \\ 7 \\ 7 \\ 6 \\ 7 \\ $	9 7 7 8 11 13 11 4 5 8	Optimal: 20 to 16 Suboptimal: 15 to 11 Marginal: 10 to 6 Poor: 5 to 0
Average Score:	9	8	8	

LG denotes low gradient streams (sites 4 through 6)

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Table 6. Macroinvertebrates collected in Walker Run on March 31 and April 1, 2009. Average percent composition in the stream for each taxon and the pollution tolerance of each taxon are shown.

ORDER/CLASS	FAMILY	GENUS	WR-1°	WR-2	WR-3	WR-4	WR-5	WR-6	Average Percent	Tolerance Value
Turbellaria	Planariidae	Dugesia		· <u>·····</u>	1	1 ************************************	1		0.0%	9.3
Nematoda		- Cugoona				+		1 2	0.0%	10.0
Oligochaeta							21	27	0.8%	10.0
Amphipoda	Gammaridae	Gammarus				1	1	26	0.5%	6.7
Bivalvia	Sphaeriidae	Psidium			1		4		0.1%	5.7
Gastropoda	Physidae	Physa						2	0.0%	7.0
Gastropoda	Ancylidae	Ferrissia			1	1	1	1	0.1%	7.0
Crustacea	Cambaridae	Cambarus		1	3	1			0.1%	0.4
Megaloptera	Corvdalidae	Nioronia	3	8	2		1	1	0.2%	1.4
Odonata	Gomphidae	Stylogomphus		2	2	1	1	1	0.1%	2.2
Coleoptera	Elmidae	Optioservus		3		4	2	1	0.2%	54
Coleoptera	Elmidae	Outimnius		7		5	2	1	0.3%	2.7
Coleoptera	Elmidae	Promoresia		······			1	5	0.1%	20
Coleoptera	Elmidae	Stenelmis						20	0.4%	7 1
Coleoptera	Psephenidae	Ectopria	1				1	3	0.1%	22
Diotera	Blephariceridae	Blenharicera			1	1	+ <u>`</u>		0.0%	4.0
Diptera	Ceratopogonidae	Palnomvia			· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·		2		0.0%	6.0
Dintera	Ceratopogonidae	Prohezzia	1		2	·[1 1	0.0%	3.0
Diptera	Ceratopogonidae	Sobaeromias	· · · · ·			<u> </u>	1 1		0.0%	3.6
Diptera	Chironomidae	- opinacioninaci	22	44	45	159	237	591	19.3%	6.6
Diptera	Empididae	Chelifera						2	0.0%	7 1
Diptera	Empididae	Clinoceera		1		2	3	7	0.0%	7.4
Diptera	Emoididae	Hememdromia			}	·	+ <u>°</u>	1	0.0%	79
Diptera	Simuliidae	Prosimulium	274	143	173	1448	231	71	41.2%	24
Diptera	Simuliidae	Stegoplerna	1		1	1	27	2	0.5%	2.4
Diptera	Simuliidae	Simulium	1			7		2	0.2%	5.7
Diptera	Tipuliidae	Antocha				4	3	16	0.4%	8.0
Diptera	Tipuliidae	Dicranota	1	1	4	1	3		0.2%	1.1
Diptera	Tipuliidae	Hexatoma		2	1	1			0.1%	1.5
Diptera	Tipuliidae	Limnophila		1				1	0.0%	4.8
Diptera	Tipuliidae	Pseudolimnophila	2				1	1	0.1%	2:8
Diptera	Tipuliidae	Tipula			1		1		0.0%	6.7
Ephemeroptera	Ameletidae	Ameletus	3	4	3	6	16		0.6%	2.6
Ephemeroptera	Baetidae	Acerpenna	3	2		1	19		0.4%	2.6
Ephemeroptera	Baetidae	Baetis	2	35	18	49	6	1	2.0%	3.9
Ephemeroptera	Baetidae	Diphetor	1	22	4	12	10	1	0.9%	2.3
Ephemeroptera	Baetidae	Plauditus		7	4	10	5		0.5%	4.0
Ephemeroptera	Ephemerellidae	Ephemerella	2	16	3	55	8		1.5%	2.3
Ephemeroptera	Ephemerellidae	Eurylophella	2	2	1	1	61	4	1.3%	4.5
Ephemeroptera	Ephemerellidae	Serratella	6	83	93	79	82	112	8.0%	2.8
Ephemeroptera	Ephemeridae	Ephemera		1	1		1	1	0.0%	3.0
Ephemeroptera	Heptageniidae	Cinvamula		· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	[3		0.1%	1.6
Ephemeroptera	Heptageniidae	Epeorus	30	59	84	134	15		5.7%	1.7
Ephemeroptera	Heptageniidae	Maccaffertium	2	19	16	4	43	22	1.9%	3.0

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Table 6 (continued). Macroinvertebrates collected in Walker Run on March 31 and April 1, 2009. Average percent composition in the stream for each taxon and the pollution tolerance of each taxon are shown.

ORDER/CLASS	FAMILY	GENUS	WR-1	WR-2	WR-3	WR-4	WR-5	WR-6		Average Percent Composition	Tolerance Value
Ephemeroptera	Heptageniidae	Stenacron		2		6		7	1-1	0.3%	2.0
Ephemeroptera	Leptophlebiidae	Leptophlebia	1				22		1 1	0.4%	1.8
Ephemeroptera	Leptophlebiidae	Paraleptophlebia	20	54	18	10.	1		1 1	1.8%	2.0
Ephemeroptera	Isonychiidae	Isonychia		3	3	16	1		1 1	0.4%	2.5
Plecoptera	Capniidae	Paracapnia					1		1 1	0.0%	2.8
Plecoptera	Chloroperlidae	Haploperla	1	6	1	2	1	1	1 [0.2%	1.6
Plecoptera	Chloroperlidae	Sweltsa		2	3	2			1 [0.1%	1.9
Plecoptera	Leuctridae	Leuctra		4	3	1	2		1 [0.2%	0.4
Plecoptera	Nemouridae	Amphinemura	4	26	42	58	6			2.4%	3.0
Plecoptera	Nemouridae	Ostrocerca	1	1		3	2		1 1	0.1%	1.7
Plecoptera	Peltoperlidae	Tallaperla	1	1	10	7	1		1 [0.3%	1.5
Plecoptera	Perlidae	Acroneuria	4	10	4		1		1 [0.3%	2.5
Plecoptera	Perlodidae	Isoperla	1	2	24	23	3		1 [0.9%	2.4
Plecoptera	Pteronarcidae	Pteronarcys			3	1			ן ר	0.1%	1.1
Piecopiera	Taeniopterygidae	Taeniopteryx			1					0.0%	4.8
Trichoptera	Brachycentridae	Micrasema				1] [0.0%	2.3
Trichoptera	Hydropsychidae	Cheumatopsyche	6	2	6	8	1	47] [1.2%	6.5
Trichoptera	Hydropsychidae	Diplectrona		14	10	5] [0.5%	2.7
Trichoptera	Hydropsychidae	Hydropsyche		3	4	16	1	16] [0.7%	7.5
Trichoptera	Limnephilidae	Hydratophylax					1] [0.0%	3.4
Trichoptera	Polycentropodidae	Polycentropus	1	3	1			1] [0.1%	1.1
Trichoptera	Phryganeidae	Ptilostomis						1] [0.0%	4.3
Trichoptera	Psychomyiidae	Lype					7] [0.1%	4.7
Trichoptera	Psychomyiidae	Psychomyia				1		6] [0.1%	4.9
Trichoptera	Philopotamidae	Chimarra					1	3] [0.1%	4.4
Trichoptera	Philopotamidae	Dolophilodes		3	2	3] [0.1%	1.7
Trichoptera	Uenoidae	Neophylax		4		8	10	3] [0.4%	2.7
Trichoptera	Rhyacophiliidae	Rhyacophila	10	8	23	12			1	0.9%	2.1
	Tota	al Organisms per Sam	ple: 407	611	618	2,166	872	1,006] = [5,680	

Tolerance Values range from 0 (species is highly intolerant of pollution) to 10 (species is highly tolerant of pollution).

Table 7. Macroinvertebrates community metrics for samples collected from Walker Run on March 31 and April 1, 2009. of each taxon are shown.

Benthic Community Metric	WR-1	WR-2	WR-3	WR-4	WR-5	WR-6
Hilsonbof Rigtic Indox score interpretations provided below table	2.63	2.82	2.80	2 82	4.06	5.81
Number of Intolerent Taxa	26	34	32	30	32	18
Number of EPT Taxa	20	29	26	28	26	13.
EPT Ratio	24.8%	65.1%	62.1%	24.6%	37.6%	22.3%
Percent Ephemeroptera Taxa	17.7%	50.6%	40.0%	17.7%	33.5%	14.5%
Percent Plecoptera Taxa	2.9%	8.5%	14:7%	4.4%	1.7%	0.1%
Percent Trichoptera Taxa	4.2%	6.1%	7.4%	2.5%	2.4%	7.7%
EPT to Diptera Ratio	33.4%	207.3%	169.2%	32.8%	64.4%	32.3%

Scores of 0 to 4.50 are rated good Scores of 4.51 to 6.50 are rated fair Scores of 6.51 to 8.50 are rated poor Scores of 8.51 to 10.0 are rated very poor

FIGURE 9 SITE 1 SPAWNING GRAVEL SAMPLING









FIGURE 10 SITE 2 SPAWNING GRAVEL SAMPLING









FIGURE 11 SITE 3 SPAWNING GRAVEL SAMPLING









FIGURE 12 SITE 4 SPAWNING GRAVEL SAMPLING









FIGURE 13 SITE 5 SPAWNING GRAVEL SAMPLING








FIGURE 14 SITE 6 SPAWNING GRAVEL SAMPLING





Gravels are important for wild brown trout spawning, as is a low percent embeddedness with sands and silts (less than 30 percent is optimal), and a shaded canopy cover (Raleigh et. al, 1986; Kondolf, 2000; Katzel and McKnight, 2001). The ideal location for trout spawning will be one with a high gravel concentration, the least silt and sand embeddedness, and a location preferably at a pool-riffle transition where upwelling would most likely occur. These characteristics are critical for trout to be able to construct redds in the gravel (where they will lay and fertilize eggs) and to maximize the exchange of oxygen and metabolic wastes through interstitial gravel spaces.

The findings of the spawning gravel survey are shown in Table 8. Based on the percent composition of gravel, and the percent of silts and sands (those less than 3 mm), and the availability of high quality spawning gravel areas within the reach, the three most upstream reaches have the best gravels in terms of quality and availability (Table 8). These three reaches also have the greatest canopy cover of all the reaches (Table 4).

IV. CONCLUSIONS

The fisheries survey of Walker Run as performed at six sampling reaches extending from 0.9 miles upstream of Beach Grove Road to 1.25 miles downstream of Beach Grove Road. Three sampling reaches were in the upstream section of Walker Run (above Beach Grove Road), and the other three sampling reaches were downstream of Beach Grove Road. Sampling Reach 5 was located on the project site. A total of 89 wild brown trout were collected from Walker Run, with nearly twice as many brown trout collected in the upstream section compared to the downstream section. The greatest number of small brown trout (<= 100 mm) were collected from the upstream section (total of 21) compared to the downstream section (total of 6). These findings indicate that the upstream section of Walker Run has better habitat for brown trout spawning and fry development, and overall better habitat for brown trout populations than the downstream section of Walker Run.

The habitat assessment of Walker Run indicated optimal or near-optimal habitat quality in the upstream section of Walker Run, while the downstream section had marginal habitat quality. The poorer habitat quality in the downstream section was attributed to greater substrate embeddedness, greater sediment deposition, fewer riffle areas, channelization, and very poor bank stability and vegetative protection. These habitat characteristics in the downstream section reflect the erosion that is occurring there, caused by the presence of legacy sediments.

The habitat quality in the upstream section of Walker Run is optimal or near-optimal primarily because it is fully shaded, has low substrate embeddedness, a greater presence of gravel substrate, and more prevalent riffle areas. These habitat characteristics are critical habitat features for successful spawning of brown trout.

Macroinvertebrate survey metrics indicate excellent water quality in the four most upstream reaches, and in particular reaches 2 and 3. Water quality is good to fair in the downstream reaches of Walker Run.

Trout spawning gravel survey results indicate that the best gravels for brown trout spawning are found in the three most upstream reaches. There will probably be suitable spawning gravel areas in the three downstream reaches, although the frequency of those suitable areas appears to be significantly less than in the three upstream reaches.

Based on all the results from this survey of Walker Run, the upstream section of Walker Run (upstream of Beach Grove Road) has the best water quality, best habitat quality, the most brown trout, the greatest number of small brown trout, and the better spawning gravel areas.

Photographs of Walker Run from both the fisheries survey and the habitat assessment survey are provided in the Appendices.

Physical Attributes	REACH 1	REACH 2	REACH 3
Riffles - Proportion of Reach	60%	70%	60%
Runs - Proportion of Reach	10%	0%	10%
Pools - Proportion of Reach	30%	30%	30%
Availability of Spawning Gravels in Reach	Frequent	Frequent	Frequent
Percent Embeddedness in Reach	25%	35%	30%
Spawning Gravel Sample Substrate:			
Cobble (2.5" to 10")	20%	10%	10%
Gravel (0.1" to 2.5")	70%	75%	80%
Sand (0.06 to 2.0 mm)	10%	15%	10%
Silt (0.004 to 0.06 mm)	0%	0%	0%
Percent finer than 1 mm (estimated - spawning gravel sample)*	5%	5%	5%
Percent finer than 3 mm (estimated - spawning gravel sample)**	10%	10%	10%

Habitat Category	REACH 4	REACH 5	REACH 6
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Riffles - Proportion of Reach	35%	5%	20%
Runs - Proportion of Reach	45%	25%	50%
Pools - Proportion of Reach	20%	70%	30%
Availability of Spawning Gravels in Reach	Present	Low	Low
Percent Embeddedness in Reach	30%	60%	70%
Spawning Gravel Sample Substrate:			
Cobble (2.5" to 10")	25%	15%	0%
Gravel (0.1" to 2.5")	50%	55%	20%
Sand (0.06 to 2.0 mm)	20%	25%	10%
Silt (0.004 to 0.06 mm)	5%	5%	70%
Percent finer than 1 mm (estimated - spawning gravel sample)*	10%	15%	75%
Percent finer than 3 mm (estimated - spawning gravel sample)**	25%	35%	80%

* Percent finer than 1 mm should be less than 14% for spawning gravels.
** Percent finer than 3 mm should be less than 30% for spawning gravels.

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