

**Stream & Location:** East Branch Rocky River DS of former Berea WWTP **RM:** 3.10 **Date:** 09/14/12

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**River Code:** - - **STORET #:** - - **Lat./ Long.:** 41.386181.8644 (NAD 83 - decimal °) **Office verified location**

**1] SUBSTRATE** Check **ONLY** Two substrate **TYPE BOXES**; estimate % or note every type present

<b>BEST TYPES</b>	<b>POOL RIFFLE</b>	<b>OTHER TYPES</b>	<b>POOL RIFFLE</b>	<b>ORIGIN</b>	<b>QUALITY</b>
<input type="checkbox"/> BLDR /SLABS [10]	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/> HARDPAN [4]	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/> LIMESTONE [1]	<input type="checkbox"/> HEAVY [-2]
<input type="checkbox"/> BOULDER [9]	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/> DETRITUS [3]	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> SILT	<input type="checkbox"/> MODERATE [-1]
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<input type="checkbox"/> GRAVEL [7]	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/> SILT [2]	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/> HARDPAN [0]	<input type="checkbox"/> FREE [1]
<input type="checkbox"/> SAND [6]	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/> ARTIFICIAL [0]	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/> SANDSTONE [0]	<input type="checkbox"/> EXTENSIVE [-2]
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> BEDROCK [5]	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<small>(Score natural substrates; ignore sludge from point-sources)</small>		<input type="checkbox"/> RIP/RAP [0]	<input type="checkbox"/> MODERATE [-1]
<b>NUMBER OF BEST TYPES:</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 4 or more [2] <input type="checkbox"/> 3 or less [0]				<input type="checkbox"/> LACUSTURINE [0]	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NORMAL [0]
<b>Comments</b>				<input type="checkbox"/> SHALE [-1]	<input type="checkbox"/> NONE [1]
				<input type="checkbox"/> COAL FINES [-2]	

**Substrate**  
16  
Maximum  
20

**2] INSTREAM COVER** Indicate presence 0 to 3: 0-Absent; 1-Very small amounts or if more common of marginal quality; 2-Moderate amounts, but not of highest quality or in small amounts of highest quality; 3-Highest quality in moderate or greater amounts (e.g., very large boulders in deep or fast water, large diameter log that is stable, well developed rootwad in deep / fast water, or deep, well-defined, functional pools.

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> UNDERCUT BANKS [1]	<input type="checkbox"/> POOLS > 70cm [2]	<input type="checkbox"/> OXBOWS, BACKWATERS [1]	<b>AMOUNT</b> Check ONE (Or 2 & average)
<input type="checkbox"/> OVERHANGING VEGETATION [1]	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ROOTWADS [1]	<input type="checkbox"/> AQUATIC MACROPHYTES [1]	<input type="checkbox"/> EXTENSIVE >75% [11]
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> SHALLOWS (IN SLOW WATER) [1]	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> BOULDERS [1]	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> LOGS OR WOODY DEBRIS [1]	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> MODERATE 25-75% [7]
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ROOTMATS [1]			<input type="checkbox"/> SPARSE 5-<25% [3]
			<input type="checkbox"/> NEARLY ABSENT <5% [1]

**Cover**  
Maximum  
20  
13

**3] CHANNEL MORPHOLOGY** Check ONE in each category (Or 2 & average)

<b>SINUOSITY</b>	<b>DEVELOPMENT</b>	<b>CHANNELIZATION</b>	<b>STABILITY</b>
<input type="checkbox"/> HIGH [4]	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> EXCELLENT [7]	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NONE [6]	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> HIGH [3]
<input type="checkbox"/> MODERATE [3]	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> GOOD [5]	<input type="checkbox"/> RECOVERED [4]	<input type="checkbox"/> MODERATE [2]
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> LOW [2]	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> FAIR [3]	<input type="checkbox"/> RECOVERING [3]	<input type="checkbox"/> LOW [1]
<input type="checkbox"/> NONE [1]	<input type="checkbox"/> POOR [1]	<input type="checkbox"/> RECENT OR NO RECOVERY [1]	

**Channel**  
Maximum  
20  
15

**4] BANK EROSION AND RIPARIAN ZONE** Check ONE in each category for **EACH BANK** (Or 2 per bank & average)

<b>EROSION</b>	<b>RIPARIAN WIDTH</b>	<b>FLOOD PLAIN QUALITY</b>	<b>CONSERVATION TILLAGE</b>
<input type="checkbox"/> NONE / LITTLE [3]	<input type="checkbox"/> WIDE > 50m [4]	<input type="checkbox"/> FOREST, SWAMP [3]	<input type="checkbox"/> URBAN OR INDUSTRIAL [0]
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> MODERATE [2]	<input type="checkbox"/> MODERATE 10-50m [3]	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> SHRUB OR OLD FIELD [2]	<input type="checkbox"/> MINING / CONSTRUCTION [0]
<input type="checkbox"/> HEAVY / SEVERE [1]	<input type="checkbox"/> NARROW 5-10m [2]	<input type="checkbox"/> RESIDENTIAL, PARK, NEW FIELD [1]	
	<input type="checkbox"/> VERY NARROW < 5m [1]	<input type="checkbox"/> FENCED PASTURE [1]	
	<input type="checkbox"/> NONE [0]	<input type="checkbox"/> OPEN PASTURE, ROWCROP [0]	

Indicate predominant land use(s) past 100m riparian.  
**Riparian**  
Maximum  
10  
7

**5] POOL / GLIDE AND RIFFLE / RUN QUALITY**

<b>MAXIMUM DEPTH</b>	<b>CHANNEL WIDTH</b>	<b>CURRENT VELOCITY</b>
Check ONE (ONLY)	Check ONE (Or 2 & average)	Check ALL that apply
<input type="checkbox"/> > 1m [6]	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> POOL WIDTH > RIFFLE WIDTH [2]	<input type="checkbox"/> TORRENTIAL [-1]
<input type="checkbox"/> 0.7-<1m [4]	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> POOL WIDTH = RIFFLE WIDTH [1]	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> SLOW [1]
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 0.4-<0.7m [2]	<input type="checkbox"/> POOL WIDTH < RIFFLE WIDTH [0]	<input type="checkbox"/> VERY FAST [1]
<input type="checkbox"/> 0.2-<0.4m [1]		<input type="checkbox"/> FAST [1]
<input type="checkbox"/> < 0.2m [0]		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> MODERATE [1]
		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> INTERSTITIAL [-1]
		<input type="checkbox"/> INTERMITTENT [-2]
		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> EDDIES [1]

**Recreation Potential**  
**Primary Contact**  
**Secondary Contact**  
(circle one and comment on back)

**Pool / Current**  
Maximum  
12  
6.5

Indicate for functional riffles; Best areas must be large enough to support a population of riffle-obligate species:  NO RIFFLE [metric=0]

<b>RIFFLE DEPTH</b>	<b>RUN DEPTH</b>	<b>RIFFLE / RUN SUBSTRATE</b>	<b>RIFFLE / RUN EMBEDDEDNESS</b>
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> BEST AREAS > 10cm [2]	<input type="checkbox"/> MAXIMUM > 50cm [2]	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> STABLE (e.g., Cobble, Boulder) [2]	<input type="checkbox"/> NONE [2]
<input type="checkbox"/> BEST AREAS 5-10cm [1]	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> MAXIMUM < 50cm [1]	<input type="checkbox"/> MOD. STABLE (e.g., Large Gravel) [1]	<input type="checkbox"/> LOW [1]
<input type="checkbox"/> BEST AREAS < 5cm [metric=0]		<input type="checkbox"/> UNSTABLE (e.g., Fine Gravel, Sand) [0]	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> MODERATE [0]
			<input type="checkbox"/> EXTENSIVE [-1]

**Riffle / Run**  
Maximum  
8  
5

**6] GRADIENT** (10.53 ft/mi)

<b>DRAINAGE AREA</b> (75.4 mi <sup>2</sup> )	<input type="checkbox"/> VERY LOW - LOW [2-4]	%POOL: <input type="text"/>	%GLIDE: <input type="text"/>
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> MODERATE [6-10]	%RUN: <input type="text"/>	%RIFFLE: <input type="text"/>
	<input type="checkbox"/> HIGH - VERY HIGH [10-6]		

**Gradient**  
Maximum  
10  
10

Comment RE: Reach consistency/ Is reach typical of stream?, Recreation/ Observed - Inferred, Other/ Sampling observations, Concerns, Access directions, etc.

**A) SAMPLED REACH**

Check ALL that apply

**METHOD**

- BOAT
- WADE
- L. LINE
- OTHER

**STAGE**

- 1st-sample pass-- 2nd
- HIGH
- UP
- NORMAL
- LOW
- DRY

**DISTANCE**

- 0.5 Km
- 0.2 Km
- 0.15 Km
- 0.12 Km
- OTHER

**CLARITY**

- 1st --sample pass-- 2nd
- < 20 cm
- 20-40 cm
- 40-70 cm
- > 70 cm/ CTB
- SECCHI DEPTH

meters

**CANOPY**

- > 85%- OPEN
- 55%-<85%
- 30%-<55%
- 10%-<30%
- <10%- CLOSED

**C) RECREATION**

- POOL: >100ft<sup>2</sup>
- AREA DEPTH >3ft

**B) AESTHETICS**

- NUISANCE ALGAE
- INVASIVE MACROPHYTES
- EXCESS TURBIDITY
- DISCOLORATION
- FOAM/ SCUM
- OIL SHEEN
- TRASH/ LITTER
- NUISANCE ODOR
- SLUDGE DEPOSITS
- CSOs/SSOs/OUTFALLS

**D) MAINTENANCE**

- PUBLIC / PRIVATE / BOTH / NA
- ACTIVE / HISTORIC / BOTH / NA
- YOUNG-SUCCESSION-OLD
- SPRAY / SNAG / REMOVED
- MODIFIED / DIPPED OUT / NA
- LEVEED / ONE SIDED
- RELOCATED / CUTOFFS
- MOVING-BEDLOAD-STABLE
- ARMoured / SLUMPS
- ISLANDS / SCOURED
- FLOOD CONTROL / DRAINAGE

**Circle some & COMMENT**

- E) ISSUES**
- WWTP / CSO / NPDES / INDUSTRY
- HARDENED / URBAN / DIRT&GRIME
- CONTAMINATED / LANDFILL
- BMPs-CONSTRUCTION-SEDIMENT
- LOGGING / IRRIGATION / COOLING
- BANK / EROSION / SURFACE
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**F) MEASUREMENTS**

- width
- depth
- max. depth
- bankfull width
- bankfull x depth
- W/D ratio
- bankfull max. depth
- floodprone x<sup>2</sup> width
- entrench. ratio

Legacy Tree:

**Stream Drawing:**



Handwritten note: DRAWING NOT TO SCALE



# Qualitative Habitat Evaluation Index and Use Assessment Field Sheet

QHEI Score: 77.5

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DRAINAGE AREA (75.3 m<sup>2</sup>)

%POOL:  %GLIDE:   
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Comments

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