

Chesapeake Fish Passage Prioritization - Dam Fact Sheet

CFPPP Unique ID: **MD_12034**

LITTLE FALLS DAM - POTOMAC RIVER

Bay-wide Diadromous Tier **1**
 Bay-wide Resident Tier **4**
 Bay-wide Brook Trout Tier **N/A**

NID ID

State ID **12034**

River Name **Potomac River**

Dam Height (ft) **12**

Dam Type **Gravity**

Latitude **38.9482**

Longitude **-77.1306**

Passage Facilities **Notch**

Passage Year **1999**

Size Class **5: Great River (>9,653 sq mi)**

HUC 12 **Nichols Run-Potomac River**

HUC 10 **Difficult Run-Potomac River**

HUC 8 **Middle Potomac-Catoctin**

HUC 6 **Potomac**

HUC 4 **Potomac**



Landcover

NLCD (2011)

% Impervious Surface in Upstream Drainage Area	2.22
% Natural Cover in Upstream Drainage Area	60.19
% Forested in Upstream Drainage Area	58.11
% Agriculture in Upstream Drainage Area	29.26
% Natural Cover in ARA of Upstream Network	68.27
% Natural Cover in ARA of Downstream Network	49.05
% Forest Cover in ARA of Upstream Network	49.17
% Forest Cover in ARA of Downstream Network	22.04
% Agricultural Cover in ARA of Upstream Network	0.92
% Agricultural Cover in ARA of Downstream Network	1.78
% Impervious Surf in ARA of Upstream Network	6.38
% Impervious Surf in ARA of Downstream Network	18.92

Chesapeake Conservancy (2016)

% Tree Cover in ARA of Upstream Network	72.74
% Tree Cover in ARA of Downstream Network	50.22
% Herbaceous Cover in ARA of Upstream Network	11.29
% Herbaceous Cover in ARA of Downstream Network	16.85
% Barren Cover in ARA of Upstream Network	0.41
% Barren Cover in ARA of Downstream Network	0.2
% Road Impervious in ARA of Upstream Network	3.9
% Road Impervious in ARA of Downstream Network	6.37
% Other Impervious in ARA of Upstream Network	5.16
% Other Impervious in ARA of Downstream Network	13.38

Metric descriptions can be found at:

http://52.53.143.233/chesapeake-dev/plugins/barrier-prioritization-proto2/images/Metric_Glossary.pdf

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Network, System Type and Condition

Functional Upstream Network (mi)	167.5	Upstream Size Class Gain (#)	0
Total Functional Network (mi)	762.1	# Downstream Natural Barriers	0
Absolute Gain (mi)	167.5	# Downstream Hydropower Dams	0
# Size Classes in Total Network	4	# Downstream Dams with Passage	0
# Upstream Network Size Classes	4	# of Downstream Barriers	0
NFHAP Cumulative Disturbance Index	High		
Dam is on Conserved Land	No		
% Conserved Land in 100m Buffer of Upstream Network	29.5		
% Conserved Land in 100m Buffer of Downstream Network	33.15		
Density of Crossings in Upstream Network Watershed (#/m2)	1.62		
Density of Crossings in Downstream Network Watershed (#/m2)	1.72		
Density of off-channel dams in Upstream Network Watershed (#/m2)	0		
Density of off-channel dams in Downstream Network Watershed (#/m2)	0		

Diadromous Fish

Downstream Alewife	Current	Downstream Striped Bass	Current
Downstream Blueback	Current	Downstream Atlantic Sturgeon	Current
Downstream American Shad	Current	Downstream Shortnose Sturgeon	Current
Downstream Hickory Shad	Current	Downstream American Eel	Current
Presence of 1 or More Downstream Anadromous Species	Current		
# Diadromous Species Downstream (incl eel)	8		

Resident Fish

Barrier is in EBTJV BKT Catchment	No
Barrier is in Modeled BKT Catchment (DeWeber)	No
Barrier Blocks an EBTJV Catchment	No
Barrier Blocks a Modeled BKT Catchment (DeWeber)	No
Native Fish Species Richness (HUC8)	51
# Rare Fish (HUC8)	0
# Rare Mussel (HUC8)	4
# Rare Crayfish (HUC8)	0

Stream Health

Chesapeake Bay Program Stream Health	VERY_POOR
MD MBSS Benthic IBI Stream Health	Very Poor
MD MBSS Fish IBI Stream Health	Poor
MD MBSS Combined IBI Stream Health	Poor
VA INSTAR mIBI Stream Health	N/A
PA IBI Stream Health	N/A

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