Chesapeake Fish Passage Prioritization - Dam Fact Sheet

CFPPP Unique ID: VA_484 BUFFALO CREEK DAM #5

Bay-wide Diadromous Tier 2
Bay-wide Resident Tier 1

Bay-wide Brook Trout Tier N/A

NID ID VA14707

State ID 484

River Name Morris Branch

Dam Height (ft) 37

Dam Type Earth

Latitude 37.1792

Longitude -78.5687

Passage Facilities None Documented

Passage Year N/A

Size Class 1b: Creek (3.861 - 38.61 sq mi)

HUC 12 Little Buffalo Creek-Buffalo Cree

HUC 10 Buffalo Creek

HUC 8 Appomattox

HUC 6 James

HUC 4 Lower Chesapeake







Landcover								
NLCD (2011)		Chesapeake Conservancy (2016)						
% Impervious Surface in Upstream Drainage Area	0.2	% Tree Cover in ARA of Upstream Network	85.13					
% Natural Cover in Upstream Drainage Area	64.44	% Tree Cover in ARA of Downstream Network	86.58					
% Forested in Upstream Drainage Area	50.82	% Herbaceaous Cover in ARA of Upstream Network	11.37					
% Agriculture in Upstream Drainage Area	32.92	% Herbaceaous Cover in ARA of Downstream Network	9.87					
% Natural Cover in ARA of Upstream Network	87.44	% Barren Cover in ARA of Upstream Network	0					
% Natural Cover in ARA of Downstream Network	88.39	% Barren Cover in ARA of Downstream Network	0.08					
% Forest Cover in ARA of Upstream Network	61.89	% Road Impervious in ARA of Upstream Network	0.13					
% Forest Cover in ARA of Downstream Network	61	% Road Impervious in ARA of Downstream Network	0.36					
% Agricultral Cover in ARA of Upstream Network	12.11	% Other Impervious in ARA of Upstream Network	0.04					
% Agricultral Cover in ARA of Downstream Network	9.87	% Other Impervious in ARA of Downstream Network	0.38					
% Impervious Surf in ARA of Upstream Network	0.02							
% Impervious Surf in ARA of Downstream Network	0.27							



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	Network, Sy	/stem	Type and Cond	ition			
Functional Upstream Network	onal Upstream Network (mi) 9.93		Upstream Size Class Gain (#)			0	
Total Functional Network (mi)	2966.61		# Dowr	nsteam Natural Barri	team Natural Barriers		
Absolute Gain (mi)	9.93		# Dowr	# Downstream Hydropower D		3	
# Size Classes in Total Networ	k 5		# Downstream Dams with Pa		assage	3	
# Upstream Network Size Clas	ses 1		# of Do	wnstream Barriers		3	
NFHAP Cumulative Disturband	ce Index			Very High			
Dam is on Conserved Land				No			
% Conserved Land in 100m Bu	iffer of Upstream Netwo	ork		0			
% Conserved Land in 100m Bu	iffer of Downstream Net	twork		5.91			
Density of Crossings in Upstream Network Watershed (#/m			12)	0.74			
Density of Crossings in Downs	tream Network Watersh	hed (#	‡/m2)	0.5			
Density of off-channel dams in	n Upstream Network Wa	atersh	ned (#/m2)	0			
Density of off-channel dams in	n Downstream Network	Wate	ershed (#/m2)	0			
		Diadro	omous Fish				
Downstream Alewife	Current		Downstream Striped Bass No		None Doc	lone Documented	
Downstream Blueback	Historical		Downstream A	Downstream Atlantic Sturgeon		None Documented	
Downstream American Shad	None Documented		Downstream S	Shortnose Sturgeon	None Doc	umented	
Downstream Hickory Shad	None Documented		Downstream A	American Eel	Current		
Presence of 1 or More Downs	tream Anadromous Spe	ecies	Current				
# Diadromous Species Downs	tream (incl eel)		2				
Reside	ent Fish			Strea	m Health		
Barrier is in EBTJV BKT Catchment No		No	Chesape	Chesapeake Bay Program Stream Health FAIR			
Barrier is in Modeled BKT Catchment (DeWeber)		No	MD MBS	MD MBSS Benthic IBI Stream Health		N/A	
Barrier Blocks an EBTJV Catchment		No	MD MBS	MD MBSS Fish IBI Stream Health		N/A	
Barrier Blocks a Modeled BKT Catchment (DeWeber)		No	MD MBS	MD MBSS Combined IBI Stream Health N/A		N/A	
Native Fish Species Richness (HUC8) 5		58	VA INSTA	VA INSTAR mIBI Stream Health		Moderate	
# Rare Fish (HUC8)		1	PA IBI St	ream Health		N/A	
# Rare Mussel (HUC8)		3					
# Rare Crayfish (HUC8)		0					
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