

CLEVELAND METROPARKS Plant Community Assessment Program: Quality Control Form



Project Label:

PCAP

Plot No: 1077

Date Sampled: 8-12-15

Lead: E. Reinbeck

Comment required if item answer is NO

Parking/Access outside of Park Boundaries:	Y <input checked="" type="radio"/> N <input type="radio"/>	If yes, write details in Comments section below
Field journals completed	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Y <input type="radio"/> N	
Site sketch made on 1:3000 map?	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Y <input type="radio"/> N	
Check cover page	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Y <input type="radio"/> N	
X-axis Bearing of plot recorded	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Y <input type="radio"/> N	
GPS coords. Recorded	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Y <input type="radio"/> N	
North direction recorded	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Y <input type="radio"/> N	
Photographs taken?	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Y <input type="radio"/> N	
Relocated Pins Mapped	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Y <input type="radio"/> N	
Plot No., Date agreement on all pages?	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Y <input type="radio"/> N	
Header data completed all pages?	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Y <input type="radio"/> N	
Cover classes recorded in all Intensive modules	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Y <input type="radio"/> N	
Browse Level By Species	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Y <input type="radio"/> N	
Woody stem quality control check	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Y <input type="radio"/> N	Check every line and cross check with the Tree Cover Sheet
Invasive plant quality control check	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Y <input type="radio"/> N	N/A
Ash trees mapped	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Y <input type="radio"/> N	N/A
Completed Forest Pest/Pathogen Datasheet	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Y <input type="radio"/> N	
Cover by Strata? (confirm cover type)	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Y <input type="radio"/> N	
Soil samples collected with matching plot #.	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Y <input type="radio"/> N	N/A
Cross check 2010 information	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Y <input type="radio"/> N	Highlight any changes from 2010 information Some issues w/mod C
Vouchers labeled on datasheet with initials and number	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Y <input type="radio"/> N	
Vouchers labeled on collection bag	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Y <input type="radio"/> N	
Pink flags removed	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Y <input type="radio"/> N	
Data sheet QA before leaving site?	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Y <input type="radio"/> N	
Common equipment returned to tub.	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Y <input type="radio"/> N	
Data sheets scanned?		Enter date to left
Final data sheets scanned?		Enter date to left
Buffer Widths measured?	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Y <input type="radio"/> N	
Web Soil Survey	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Y <input type="radio"/> N	
Voucher Location	Refrigerator	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Y <input type="radio"/> N
(# vouchers collected)	Press (#)	Enter number to left
	Drier	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Y <input type="radio"/> N
	Identified	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Y <input type="radio"/> N
	Mounted	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Y <input type="radio"/> N
	Thrown away	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Y <input type="radio"/> N

GRTS point verification: Is plot sampleable?

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes	Original GRTS point is sampleable
<input type="checkbox"/> No	Original GRTS point lands in a non-sampleable area (fill in category below)
	<input type="checkbox"/> Point falls in a water (i.e. river, lake)
	<input type="checkbox"/> Managed mowed area (i.e. golf course, picnic area, right-of-way)
	<input type="checkbox"/> Paved area (i.e. parkinglot, road)
	<input type="checkbox"/> Unsafe to sample (i.e. steep slope)
	<input type="checkbox"/> Other

Additional Comments:

8/7/15  
Plot fully set up  
Plot looks weird, Found centerline 20, 30, 40, Rightside 10, 20 Left side 0, 10  
Pin at 20m on right side is a meter off, Mod 3 has 2 large Fagus  
Pin out of ground at 10m centerline.  
it was not near where it was supposed to be  
20-25 in it after we ran the lines that were not in old data

b

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GENERAL INFORMATION	
Project Label:	PCAP
Project Name:	02BR2015
Plot Name:	Something about Maples
Plot No:	1077
<input type="checkbox"/> Level 4 (no nested corners sampled) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Level 5 (nested corners sampled)	
Date (mm/dd/yyyy):	8/12/2015
End date (if > 1 day):	/ /
Party:	S. Eichenbach
Role:	Plot leader
T. Cochran	3rd Asst
E. Claus	weedy
D. Sweet	weedy
** Refer: Corchado, Asst. Guide, Owner, Taxonomic, etc. PLOT NOT SAMPLED: <input type="checkbox"/> Other <input type="checkbox"/> Perm. water <input type="checkbox"/> Paved <input type="checkbox"/> Slope <input type="checkbox"/> Safety SAMPLING QUALITY*	
Effort Level:	subjective evaluation of how much effort put into sampling. Hunted plots may still provide good data
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Very thorough <input type="checkbox"/> Accurate <input type="checkbox"/> Hunted	
TAXONOMIC ACCURACY	
high	moderate
low	not simpl
vascular	n/a
bryo	
lichen	
TAXONOMIC STANDARD	
Authority:	G&C Pub Date: 1998

Minimum required fields in Bold and Underlined

LOCATION	
State:	OH
County:	Cuyahoga
Quadrangle:	Boyer
Local Place Name:	York Road Picnic Area
Landowner:	CMP
Data Confidentiality:	
Check one:	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Public data <input type="checkbox"/> Private Data <input type="checkbox"/> Fuzz 100m <input type="checkbox"/> Fuzz 250m <input type="checkbox"/> Fuzz 500m
Reason:	
If data not public why?	
Source of coordinates:	<input type="checkbox"/> MAP <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> GPS Coordinate system: <u>Coord. Units</u> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Lat/Long <input type="checkbox"/> UTM <input type="checkbox"/> StatePlane <input type="checkbox"/> deg <input type="checkbox"/> deg min <input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify): <input type="checkbox"/> m <input type="checkbox"/> ft <input type="checkbox"/>
Datum:	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NAD83/WGS84 <input type="checkbox"/> NAD27 GPS location in plot (x=0 to 5, y=-1.0, +1): x = 0 y = 0 (base of plot x=0, y=0) Latitude: 41.30490 Longitude: 81.75613 Coord. Accuracy: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> m <input type="checkbox"/> ft + - 3 GPS File Name: 1077A Plot size for cover data: .08 (hectares) X-axis Bearing of plot: [20]° Depth: (1-5): 4 Intensive modules: 2, 3, 8, 9, 12, 7, 8 (EDIT IF MODIFIED) Camera No.: CZ Photo Nos.: CZ-4600 Plot placement: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> GRTS <input type="checkbox"/> Representative <input type="checkbox"/> Random <input type="checkbox"/> Stratified Random <input type="checkbox"/> Transect component <input type="checkbox"/> Systematic (grid) <input type="checkbox"/> Capture specific feature <input type="checkbox"/> Other

\* Definitions and values in CM PCAP FOM v. 1.0 and CVS Field Guide

Manual Area

Diagram Key: Plot origin (0,0) point, GPS location, photo taken with direction, location of permanent pos

NOTES: Include Layout (any unusual shape/details), Location (directions and landscape content), Rationale (why here), and Veg Characterization (description of community, dominants, strata, BROWSE). Additional notes in space on back.

Layout: 2 x 4 3 pins not relocated origin (0,0,1)

Location: Park at York Road Picnic Area off of Valley Pkwy. Plot is east of parking area. Plot is very close to the mowed portion of picnic area touching it in Mod 5. Picnic area is on a road with a locked gate. Use park key, lock was crappy.

Rationale: GRTS

Veg Characterization:

Canopy: Sugar Maple, Beech, large conifers

Shrub: Sugar Maple, Carpinus, Beech

Herb: Fowl Manna grass, Ash seedlings, White grass

OVER

**CLEVELAND METROPARKS Plant Community Assessment Program - Background Data Sheet**

Plot No.: 1077

Project Name: 02BR2015

Project Label: PCAP

### MODIFIED NATURESERVE CLASS

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COMMUNITY NAME:

Beach maple

## HOMOGENEITY

- Homogeneous
- Compositional trend across the plot

- Conspicuous inclusions
- Irregular/pattern mosaic

□ Compositional trend across the plot

☐ Irregular/pattern mosaic

## HYDROLOGIC REGIME\*

☐ Upland (seldom flooded)

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Upland (seldom flow)

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## Intermittent

### SALINITY\*

**□ Saltwater**

## Brackish

**F**

## Results

(by default unless plot is a wetland)

**Additional notes & diagrams:** (Representativeness of plot to the stand, successional status, maturity, etc.)

Plot is set up near moved blocked picnic area (no longer used). ~~and~~ The eastern portion of the plot is near a very wet area. Lots of sugar maples! Browse is heavy throughout the plot. Some trash is present.

Plot is influenced by open picnic area and wetland on both edges.



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Plot no.: 1077

Plot area (ha): .68



**Cleveland  
Metroparks**

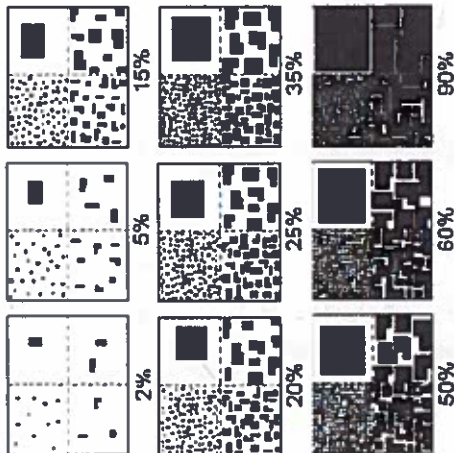
**Br = Browse Level. Use cover classes to describe amount of browse per species over entire plot**

Strata - Cov. entire plot

[illegible]

# EXAMPLES OF PERCENT OF AREA COVERED

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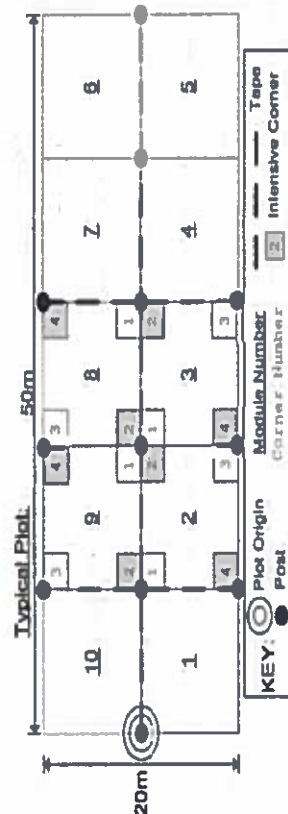
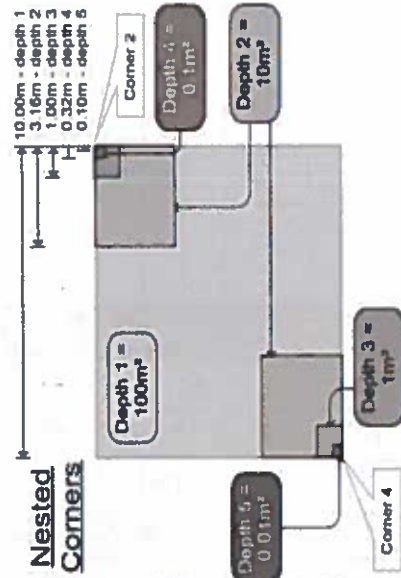
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# CLEVELAND METROPARKS Plant Community Assessment Program Species Cover Data Sheet

Project Label: PCAP  
Total modules: 8

Project name: 02BR2015  
Intensive modules: 4 Plot configuration: 2x4

Plot no.: 1077  
Plot area (ha): .08



Br = Browse level. Use cover classes to describe amount of browse per species over entire plot

# Cleveland Metroparks

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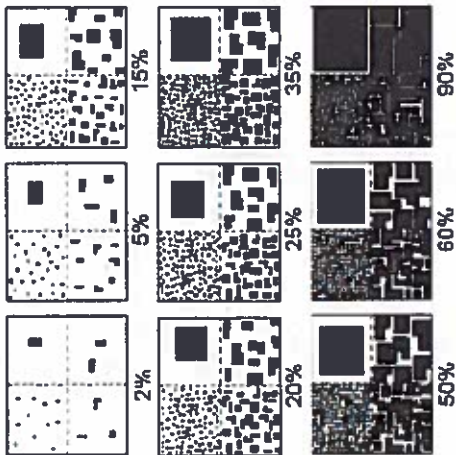
Strata - Cov. entire plot

S	H (F)(A) Br	Species	C	Voucher #	Estimate for each intensive module:																		
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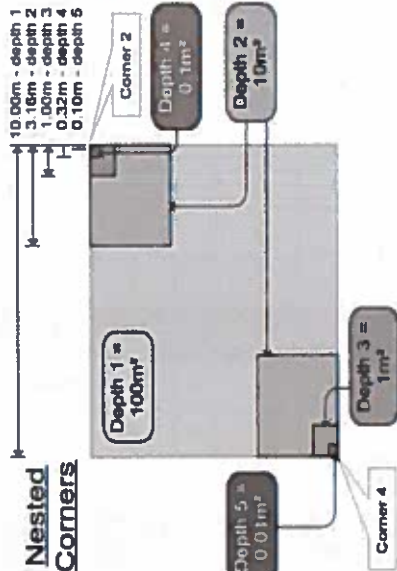
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## Nested Corners



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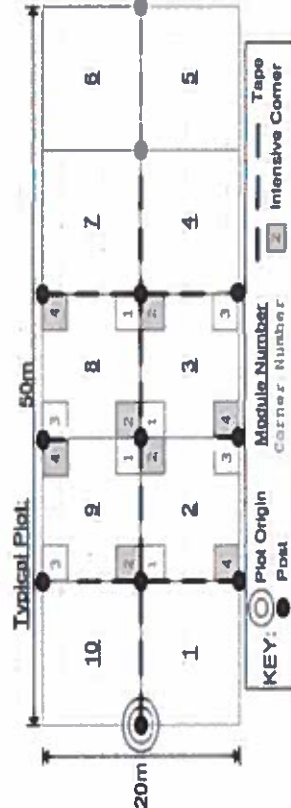
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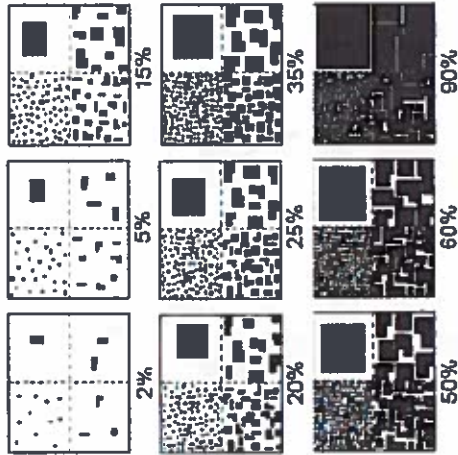






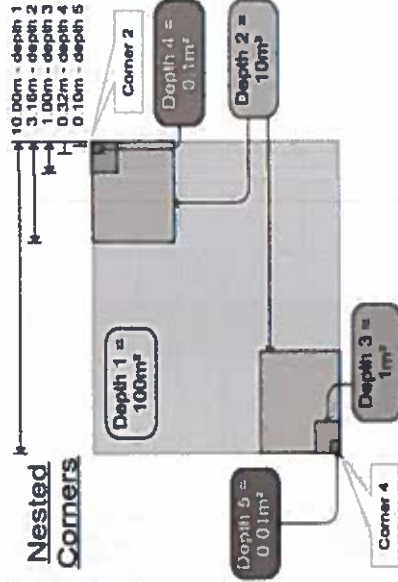
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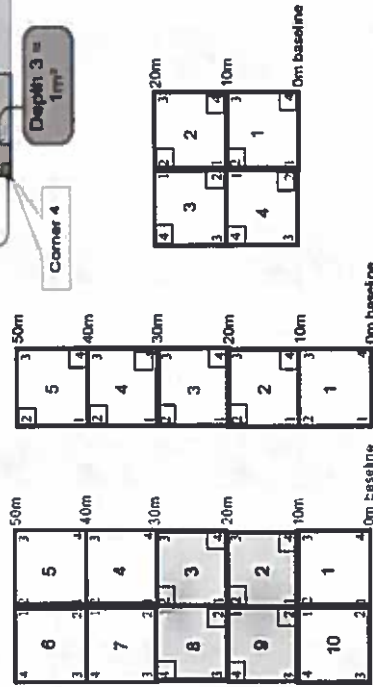
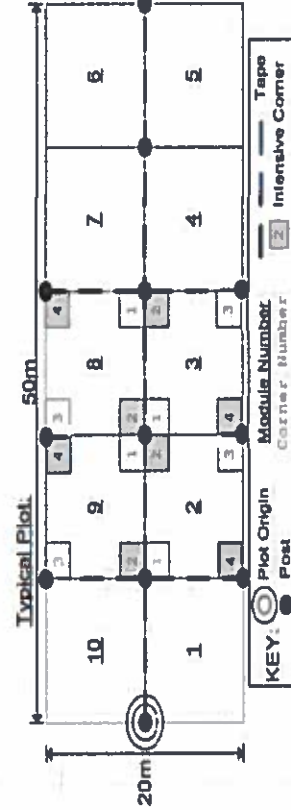
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# CLEVELAND METROPARKS Plant Community Assessment Program Tree Cover Data Sheet

Project Label: \_\_\_\_\_

PCAP \_\_\_\_\_

Project name: 02BR2015

Plot no.: 1077

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% COVER		Strata - Cov. entire plot	Species	c	Presence of tree species (X)		mod	mod	mod	mod	R
T	Br				Voucher #						
1			<i>Carpinus saralaniana</i>			1	2	7	8		R
2			<i>Ostrya virginiana</i>			X	X	X	X		
3			<i>Fagus grandifolia</i>			X	X		X	X	
4			<i>Acer saccharum</i>			X	X	X	X	X	
5			<i>Acer rubrum</i>					X			
6			<i>Fraxinus americana</i>						X		
7			<i>Carya cordiformis</i>							X	
8			<i>Ulmus americana</i>							X	
9			<i>Tilia americana</i>							X	
10			<i>Ulmus rubra</i>							X	
11			<i>Quercus serotina</i>							X	
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# CLEVELAND METROPARKS Plant Community Assessment Program Natural Woody Stem Data Sheet

Project Label: PCAP

Project Name: OLMSTEAD

Plot No.: 1077

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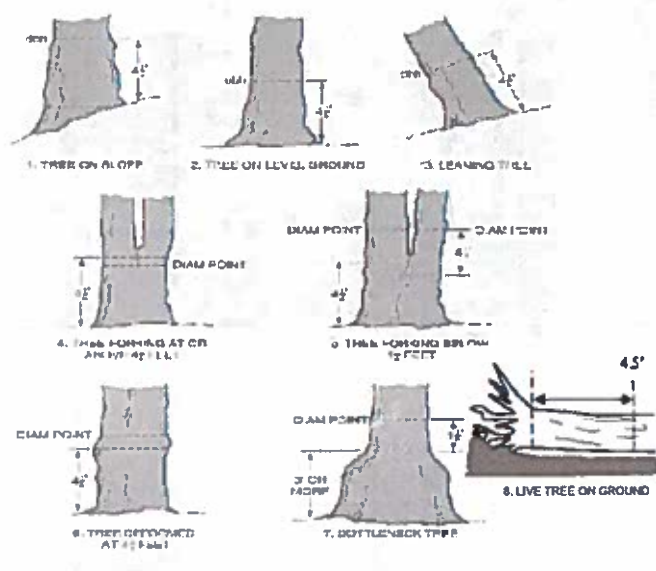


Explain subsample (additional room on back):

mod #	species	c	voucher#	# stems 0-1.4m browsed	% sub or super sample	# shrub clumps	size class (cm)	1 0-1	2 1-2.5	3 2.5-5	4 5-10	5 10-15	6 15-20	7 20-25	8 25-30	9 30-35	10 35-40	11 >40 (record each tree)
✓	Fagus grandifolia																	
✓	Acer saccharum																	
✓	standing dead																	
✓	Larix laricina																	
✓	Ostrya virginiana																	
✓	Fraxinus pennsylvanica																	
✓	Acer rubrum																	
✓	Acer saccharum																	
✓	standing dead																	
✓	Larix laricina																	
✓	Fagus grandifolia																	
✓	Ostrya virginiana																	
✓	Fraxinus pennsylvanica																	
✓	Ostrya virginiana																	
✓	Acer saccharum																	
✓	standing dead																	
✓	Fraxinus pennsylvanica																	
✓	Rosa multiflora																	
✓	Toxicodendron radicans																	
✓	Eurogymnos thymus																	
✓	Acer saccharum																	
✓	standing dead																	
✓	Fraxinus americana																	
✓	Fraxinus americana																	

Sealed  
in 2010

### DBH Measurement Rules



### Woody Stem Deer Browse

Record the number of stems/plants between 0.5-1.0 meters tall that exhibit evidence of this years deer browse.

Record using the tally system from 1 to 10



1



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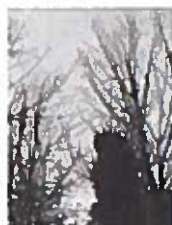
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### ASH CANOPY CONDITION

1. **Healthy, full canopy:** A healthy ash canopy is normally thinner than many other trees such as maple.
2. **Thinning canopy:** There aren't as many leaves as there ought to be, but all top branches exposed to sunlight have leaves.
3. **Dieback:** Canopy is thinning and some top branches exposed to sunlight are dead (have no leaves). Lower branches, not exposed to sunlight, die naturally and are not considered.
4. **>50% Dieback:** The canopy has less than half of the leaves that should be there and/or half of the top branches are dead.
5. **Dead canopy:** No leaves remain in the canopy portion of the tree. It still counts as a 5 even if there are epicormic sprouts below the canopy (lowest branch) on the trunk.



A

B

C

D

E

### ASH CANOPY BREAKUP CONDITION (for dead trees):

(If an ash receives a score of 5 (dead) under canopy condition it must also receive a breakup condition rank as described below)

- A: All main branches contain fine twigs (newly dead).
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- D: Stem still standing and tertiary main branches present.
- E: Central stem still standing.



# CLEVELAND METROPARKS Plant Community Assessment Program Natural Woody Stem Data Sheet

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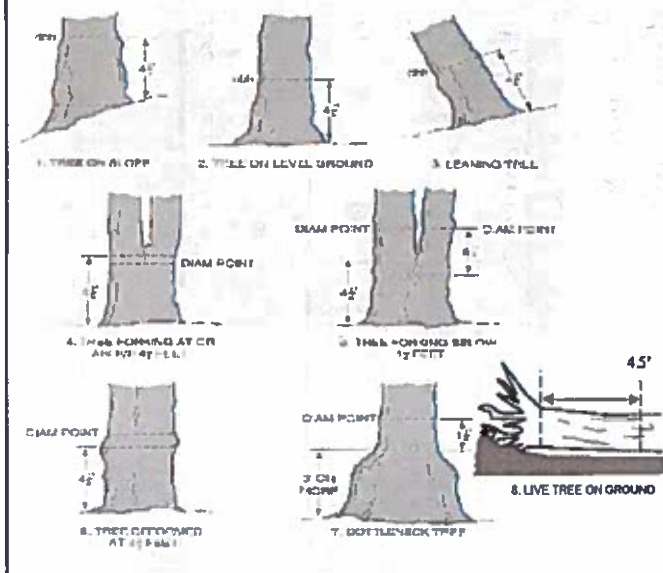


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✓	<i>Eragrostis aquilegifolia</i>																	
✓	<i>Ligustrum vulgare</i>																	
✓	<del><i>Fraxinus americana</i></del>																	
✓	<i>Rosa multiflora</i>																	
✓	<i>Myrica sp.</i>																	
✓	<i>Rubus odoratus</i>																	
✓	<i>Thuja occidentalis</i>																	
✓	<i>Sparganium angustifolium</i>																	
✓	<i>Aster laevis</i>																	
✓	<i>Asplenium virginicum</i>																	
✓	<i>Larix laricina</i>																	
✓	<i>Toxicodendron radicans</i>																	
✓	<i>Rosa multiflora</i>																	
✓	<del><i>Fraxinus americana</i></del>																	
✓	<i>Euonymus alatus</i>																	
✓	<i>Cornus racemosa</i>																	
✓	<i>Acer saccharum</i>																	
✓	<i>Ulmus americana</i>																	
✓	<i>Sparganium angustifolium</i>																	
✓	<i>Fraxinus americana</i>																	
✓	<i>Larix laricina</i>																	
✓	<i>Euonymus alatus</i>																	
✓	<i>Fraxinus americana</i>																	

11C  
9-78  
Comb'n

### DBH Measurement Rules



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Record the number of stems/plants between 0.5-1.0 meters tall that exhibit evidence of this years deer browse.

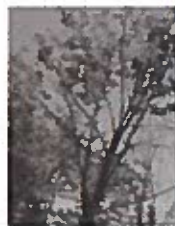
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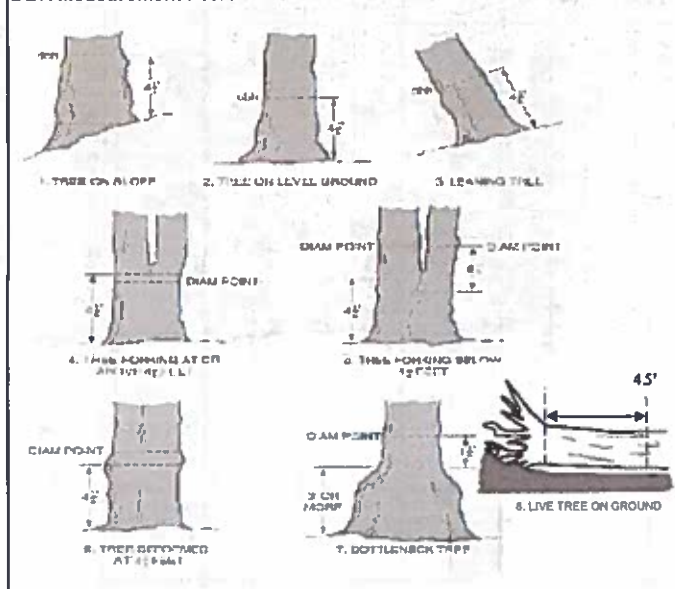
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7	<i>Asi saccharum</i>						..	..	..	..							47.0
1	<i>stansing deas</i>						..	..	..	..							
1	<i>Mer luvum</i>																
7	<i>Ostrya virginiana</i>																
1	<i>Fraxinus grandifolia</i>																
7	<i>Fraxinus pransylvanica</i>																
1	<i>Corvus palmosa</i>																
7	<i>Corvus alghenensis</i>																
8	<i>Alc sp. alnum</i>						..	..	..	..							50.4
8	<i>Forcus grandifolia</i>																
8	<i>Ostrya virginiana</i>																
8	<i>stansing deas</i>																49.6
8	<i>Fraxinus cochiniana</i>																
8	<i>Fraxinus americana</i>																
8	<i>Evonymus farnum</i>																
8	<i>Rhus allegheniensis</i>																
8	<i>Liriodendron</i>																
8	<i>Eurhynchus pennsylvanicus</i>																
8	<i>Toxicodendron radicans</i>																
8	<i>Lonicera moranii</i>																
8	<i>Ulmus sp.</i>																
8	<i>Ulmus sp.</i>																
8	<i>Ulmus sp. ligustrum</i>																



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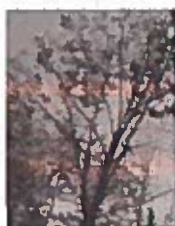
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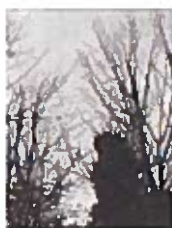
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Tree ID	Species	DBH (cm)	HT @ DBH	Ash condition	Dead condition	# EAB holes	Epicormic present	Woodpecker holes
1	None present							
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24								
25								

ASH ONLY



\*\*\* Change intensive module numbers when necessary

Baseline	
9	8
2	3

Map all ash trees ≥ 10cm in each module using Tree ID number

\* If Ash Condition scores 5 (dead) provide breakup score (A-E)  
Count EAB exit holes 1.25m x 21.5m  
Woodpecker and epicormic marked present (1) or absent (0)

CLEVELAND METROPARKS Plant Community Assessment Program: Invasive Species Survey



Tier 1: Early detection/ Rapid response		Presence				GPS	
		NE	SE	SW	NW		Presence
Microstegium vimineum	Japanese stiltgrass						X: yes
Ranunculus ficaria	Lesser Celandine						
Cynanchum louiseae (vine)	Black Swallow-wort						
Butomus umbellatus (wetland)	Flowering Rush						
Heracleum mantegazzianum	Giant Hogweed						
Tier 2: Assess as Needed		# of Plants				comments	
		NE	SE	SW	NW		# of Plants
Acer platanoides	Norway Maple						1: 1-10
Ailanthus altissima	Tree of Heaven						2: 11-50.
Lonicera japonica (vine)	Japanese Honeysuckle						3: 51-100
Lythrum salicaria (wetland)	Purple Loosestrife						4: 101-1,000
Aegopodium podagraria (G-cover)	Bishop's Goutweed						5: >1,000
Celastrus orbiculatus (vine)	Asian Bittersweet						
Torilis sp.	Hedgeparsley						
Conium maculatum	Poison Hemlock						
Rhamnus cathartica	Common Buckthorn (shrub)						
Berberis thunbergii	Japanese Barberry (shrub)						
Alnus glutinosa	European Alder						
Dipsacus laciniatus	Cut-leaf Teasel						
Elaeagnus umbellata	Autumn Olive (shrub)						
Lonicera maackii	Amur Honeysuckle (shrub)						
Euonymus fortunei	Wintercreeper						
Tier 3: Presence is of Interest		# of Plants				comments	
		NE	SE	SW	NW		# of Plants
Convallaria majalis (G-cover)	Lily of the Valley						1: 1-10
Coronilla varia (G-cover)	Crown Vetch						2: 11-50.
Eleutherococcus pentaphyllus	Five-leaf Aralia (shrub)						3: 51-100
Pachysandra terminalis (G-cover)	Japanese Pachysandra						4: 101-1,000
Philadelphus coronarius	Mock Orange (shrub)						5: >1,000
Pulmonaria officinalis (G-cover)	Lungwort						
Rubus phoenicolasius	Wineberry						
Iris pseudacorus (wetland)	Yellow Flag Iris						
Ornithogalum umbellatum	Star of Bethlehem						
Viburnum opulus var. opulus	European Cranberry (shrub)						
Viburnum plicatum	Doublefile Viburnum (shrub)						
Tier 4: Widespread and abundant		Presence				comments	
		NE	SE	SW	NW		# of Plants
Alliaria petiolata	Garlic Mustard						1: 1-10
Ligustrum vulgare	Common Privet (shrub)						2: 11-50.
L. morrowii, L. tatarica	Bush Honeysuckles (shrub)						3: 51-100
Phalaris arundinacea	Reed Canarygrass						4: 101-1,000
Phragmites australis (wetland)	Phragmites						5: >1,000
Polygonum cuspidatum	Japanese Knotweed						
Frangula alnus	Glossy Buckthorn (shrub)						
Rosa multiflora	Multiflora Rose (shrub)						
Typha angustifolia, T. x. glauca	Cattails (wetland)						
Cirsium arvense	Canada thistle						
Dipsacus fullonum	Common Teasel						
Hesperis matronalis	Dame's Rocket						
Vinca minor (G-cover)	Periwinkle						

Note: For Ground-cover plants record "stem #" but in comment field describe # of colonies and patch size (S,M, L)



# CLEVELAND METROPARKS Plant Community Assessment Program Forest Pest and Pathogens Data Sheet

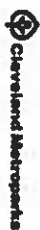
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mod #	species	voucher#	# shrub clumps	size class (cm) woody stems > 1m										
				1 0-<1	2 1-<2.5	3 2.5-<5	4 5-<10	5 10 - <15	6 15 - <20	7 20 - <25	8 25 - <30	9 30 - <35	10 35 - <40	11 >40 (record each tree)
1	<del>None Present</del>													
2														
3														
4														
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7														
8														
9														
10														

\* IF EVIDENCE OF PEST OR PATHOGEN RECORD TOTAL SPECIES POPULATION IN THE PLOT EVEN THE NOT INFECTED

Strata	# of stem infected	Severity (H, M, or L)
Tree (size class 3 or above)		
Shrub (size class 2 or below including shrub clumps)		

\* Write None Present if no evidence:

None Beech (Fungus)      None Asian Longhorned Beetle  
 Hemlock (HWA)      \_\_\_\_\_ Other Pest or Pathogen  
 Walnut (Thousand Canker)

## Severity

High = more than 50% of leaf/needle cover exhibiting symptoms

Medium = Less than 50% of leaf/needle cover exhibiting symptoms

Low = Only a few leaves or branches are exhibiting symptoms



STANDING BIOMASS (required for emergent wetlands) collected in 0.1m clip plots (33x32 cm) from corners 1 and 3 in each intensive module. Required for VIBRE score calculation. C7-check when collected

Module #	C7	Corner	Corner

# CLASSIFICATION

FTI = coefficient of Fit and Confidence

## Hydroserotrophic class (WETLANDS ONLY)

<input type="checkbox"/> DEPRESSION	Fit=	Conf=
<input type="checkbox"/> INFUNDMENT <input type="checkbox"/> Beaver <input type="checkbox"/> Human	Fit=	Conf=
<input type="checkbox"/> RIVERINE <input type="checkbox"/> Headwater <input type="checkbox"/> Meandering <input type="checkbox"/> Channel	Fit=	Conf=
<input type="checkbox"/> SLOPE (gravel water hydrology or on a physical slope)	Fit=	Conf=
<input type="checkbox"/> FRINGING <input type="checkbox"/> Reservoir <input type="checkbox"/> Natural Lake	Fit=	Conf=
<input type="checkbox"/> COASTAL (specify subclans)	Fit=	Conf=
<input type="checkbox"/> BOC (strongly, moderately, weakly ombrotrophic)	Fit=	Conf=

## Other EPA VIBRE Plant Community Class (WETLANDS ONLY)

<input type="checkbox"/> FOREST <input type="checkbox"/> Swamp forest <input type="checkbox"/> bog forest <input type="checkbox"/> forest seep	Fit=	Conf=
<input type="checkbox"/> EMERGENT <input type="checkbox"/> marsh <input type="checkbox"/> wet meadow <input type="checkbox"/> open bog	Fit=	Conf=
<input type="checkbox"/> SHRUB <input type="checkbox"/> shrub swamp <input type="checkbox"/> tall sh. bog <input type="checkbox"/> tall sh. fen	Fit=	Conf=

## MICROTOPOGRAPHIC FEATURE COUNTS - Intensive modules only

Rankings for microtopographic features. Select one or select two and average the score. NOTE: If mod falls on a slope automatically gets ranked based on steepness (1-3) to begin + any features present  
Slope 1 = slight elevational grade across module (N1)  
Slope 2 = falls on slope ~20°  
Slope 3 = maximum steepness that can be safely sampled ~45°

- 0 feature is absent or functionally absent from the wetland
- 3 feature is present in the wetland in very small amounts or if more common, of low quality
- 7 feature is present in moderate amounts, but not of highest quality, or in small amounts of highest quality
- 10 feature is present in moderate or greater amounts and of highest quality

C.W.D. - count for pieces with minimum 1m length									
no. of tussocks	no. of hummocks (Tip-Lip)	no. macro depressions	c.w.d (2-12 cm)	c.w.d (12-40cm)	c.w.d >40 cm	microhab. interspers.	microhab. SLOPE		
depth 3 1x1m	depth 2 3 1x3 16m	depth 1 14x10m	depth 1 10x10m	depth 1 10x10m	depth 1 10x10m	depth 1 14x10m	10x10m		
mod#	corner	(count)	(count)	(count)	(count)	(rank)	(rank)		
1		0	1	11	0	0	1	1	
2		0	1	7	0	0	1	1	
3		0	0	18	1	0	1	1	
8		0	0	14	1	0	1	1	

NOTE: Tussock and hummocks are counted in BOTH nested quadrat corners but counts are aggregated.

## MEAN INDEXES (degrees) + for up - for down

FILLED OUT USING GIS PROGRAM - DO NOT FILL OUT IN FIELD

Alt aspect	N	S	E	W
+45 degrees				
+90 degrees				
+135 degrees				
+180 degrees				
+225 degrees				
+270 degrees				
+315 degrees				

\* Landform Index (position within landscape)

\*\* Terrain Shape Index (the microtopographic shape)

CROWN COVER (DIMENSIONLESS) MALE 4  
Readings per module facing N, S, E, W. Place dot count in corresponding space. (4 dots per grid square)

Module	N	S	E	W
1	0	1	0	2
2	0	0	0	0
3	0	4	4	0
8	0	0	1	0



# COVER BY STRATA

STRATUM	GENERAL FORM
Tree (generally >5 m)	Tree (overstory), very tall shrubs*, liana, epiphyte)
Shrub (generally 0.5 to 5 m)	Tree (sapling), shrub, liana, epiphyte)
Herb (Field)	Herb, dwarf-shrub**, tree (seedling***)
Floating	Floating
Aquatic (submerged)	Submerged

\*Very tall shrubs are sometimes included in the tree stratum  
 \*\*Can also include seedlings of shrubs, i.e. all shrubs <0.5m  
 \*\*\*Tree seedlings are often defined as up to 1.4 m height or as <2.5 cm DBH in which case they would span the herb and shrub layers.

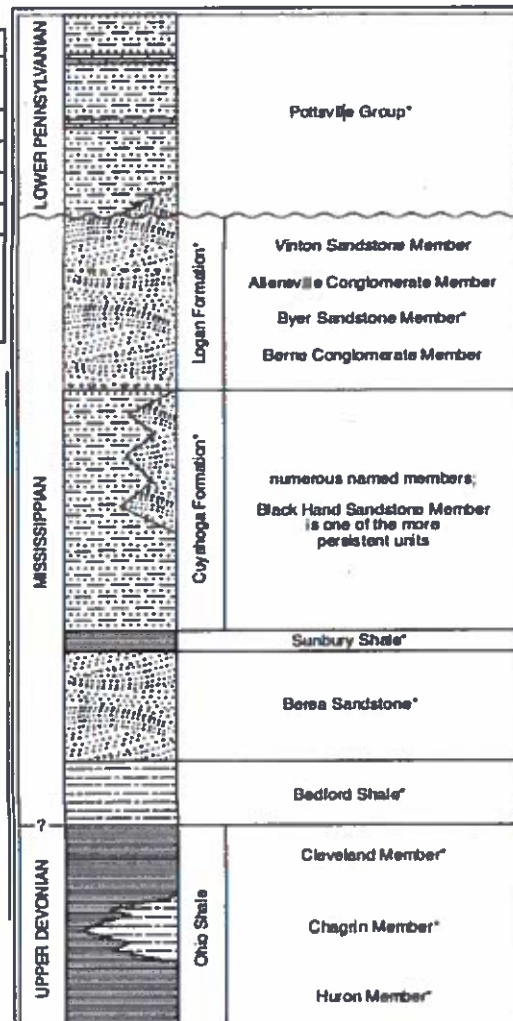
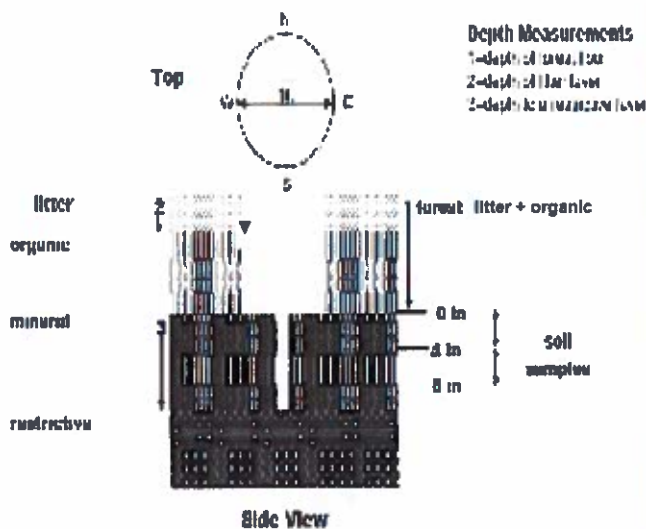


FIGURE 3-20.—Generalized section of Upper Devonian, Mississippian, and Lower Pennsylvanian formations in northeastern Ohio. Asterisks indicate units that are fossiliferous. This composite section represents about 400 meters of rock exposed across the area. The section is not to scale, but the thicknesses indicated are proportional. The term "Waverly" is used in the older literature to refer to Mississippian rocks in Ohio. Some geologists use the European term "Carboniferous," which encompasses the Mississippian and Pennsylvanian Periods of the U.S. Many units have been named within the Cuyahoga Formation, but most units are local and cannot be traced over great distances. The Black Hand Member is a spectacular massive sandstone that is fairly widespread but discontinuous. See Hyde (1953), Hoover (1960), and Collins (1979) for more information on Mississippian rocks in Ohio. See figure 3-18 for explanation of rock types.

**SOIL PIT DESCRIPTION:** Excavate 20 cm plug with shovel. Describe using Munsell chart, visual exam, texture, and odor.

**SOIL SAMPLES** Standard procedure: collect a soil sample of the top 10 cm of soil from center of each intensive module and composite the sample

Soil pit module # \_\_\_\_\_ (one per entire plot)

5 cm	matrix color	
	mottle color	
	%mottle	
	acid roots	Y N
	texture*	
	redox features**	Y N
	hyd. cond ***	1 S M D
20 cm	matrix color	
	mottle color	
	%mottle	
	acid roots	Y N
	texture*	
	redox features**	Y N
	hyd. cond ***	1 S M D

\* refer to texture classes on reverse side

\*\* e.g. hydrogen sulfide odor, gleying, etc.

\*\*\* Circle one:

1=undisturbed 3=saturated M=moist D=dry

Notes: include evidence of earthworms (worms, castings, middens)

1- No worms present  
 2- No worms present  
 3- castings present  
 8- No worms present

Soil Collection Module	Hutton (A, B, C)	A
2.3.2.2 core profile		
Soil Survey Information		
Soil Series/Type:		
Soil Series Source:	Ohio Soil Survey	
Landform type:		
Depth to root layer:		
Parent Material:		
Drainage*		
<input type="checkbox"/> Excessively dr. <input type="checkbox"/> Somewhat excessively <input type="checkbox"/> Well drained <input type="checkbox"/> Moderately well dr. <input type="checkbox"/> Somewhat poorly dr. <input type="checkbox"/> Very poorly dr. <input type="checkbox"/> Impermeable surface		

**SOIL DEPTH MEASUREMENT:** Measure to the nearest 0.1 cm in center of intensive modules. If >30.5 cm, record as >30

module	1 liter+ organic depth (cm)	2 liter depth (cm)	water depth (cm)	depth sat soil (cm)
1	1.9	1.9	0	0
2	1.5	1.5	0	0
3	0.4	0.4	0	0
8	0.6	0.6	0	0

EARTH SURFACE & GROUND COVER		
Underlying Earth Surface*	Ground Cover	percent
Sum - 100%	percent	(each ≤ 100%)
Historical	Coarse Woody Debris***	4
Mineral Soil	Fine Woody Debris****	8
Gravel-Cobble*	Litter	60
Boulder**	Duff (Fern, Humus)	0
Bedrock	Bryophyte Lichen	1
Gravel-Cobble - 1/16-10"	Water	0
Boulder = > 10 in	Bare Soil	3
> 5 cm in diameter	Road/Trail	2
< 5 cm in diameter	Other	

**COVER BY STRATA**  
 \* estimate using midpoints of 5, 8, 13 %

Strata	Height Range (in)	Total Cover (%)
Tree	7.5	85
Shrub	5-5	83
Herb	< 5	38
(Floating)*		
(Aquatic)*		

\* rooted and floating or slightly emerged  
 \*\* submerged, most plant mass below surface

SEE BACK OF PAGE FOR TYPICAL STRATA DESCRIPTIONS. STRATA CAN VARY BY COVER TYPE.

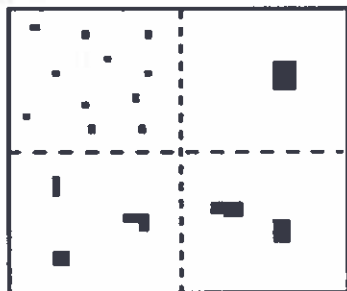
TRAIL INFORMATION:	
Trail type and cover for each	%Cover
Type	
All Purpose	
Bridle	
Hiking sanctioned	
Hiking unsanctioned	2
Gravel	
Dirt	

**STAND SIZE**

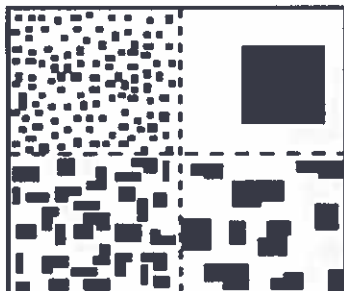
- ☐ >600 x plot size
- ☐ > 100 x plot size
- ☐ 10-100 x plot size
- ☐ 3-10 x plot size
- ☒ < 3 x plot size
- ☐ < plot size

**PERCENT MOTTLES (USE CLASS CODES):**

Class	Conv.	Code NASIS	Criteria: % of Surface Area Covered
Few	f	#	< 2
Common	c	#	2 to < 20
Many	m	#	≥ 20



2%



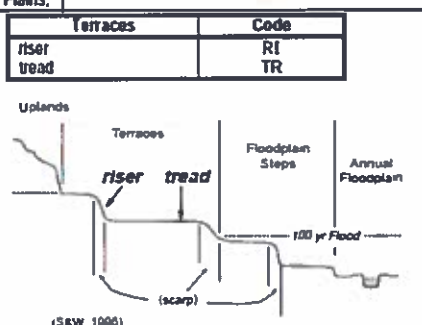
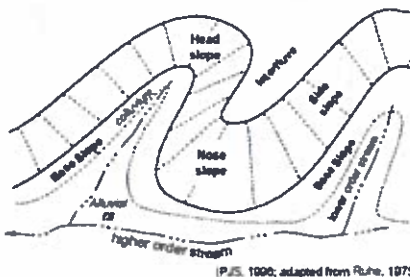
20%

**SOIL TEXTURE:** Record the code for the soil texture of the 5 cm and 20 cm layers. To estimate texture, collect a soil sample from the appropriate layer and moisten it with water to the consistency of modeling clay/wet newspaper; the sample should be wet enough that all of the particles are saturated but excess water does not freely flow from the sample when squeezed. Attempt to roll the sample into a ball. If the soil will not stay in a ball and has a grainy texture, the texture is either sandy or coarse sandy. If the soil does form a ball, squeeze the sample between your fingers and attempt to form a self-supporting ribbon. Samples which form both a ball and a ribbon should be coded as clayey; samples which form a ball but not a ribbon should be coded as loamy.

- 0= Organic
- 1= Loamy
- 2= Clayey
- 3= Sandy
- 4= Coarse Sand
- 9= Not measured - make plot note

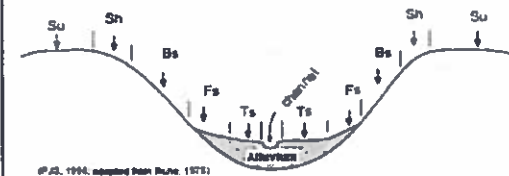
**Geomorphic Component - Three-dimensional descriptors of parts of landforms or microfeatures that are best applied to areas. Unique descriptors are available for Hills, Terraces, Mountains, and Flat Plains; e.g., (for Hills) nose slope or NS.**

Hills	Code PDP	Code NASIS
interfluvial	IF	IF
head slope	HS	HS
nose slope	NS	NS
side slope	SS	SS
base slope	—	BS



**Hillslope - Profile Position (Hillslope Position in PDP) - Two-dimensional descriptors of parts of line segments (i.e., slope position) along a transect that runs up and down the slope; e.g., backslope or BS. This is best applied to transects or points, not areas.**

Position	Code
summit	SU
shoulder	SH
backslope	BS
footslope	FS
toeslope	TS



**HYDROLOGIC REGIME** Modified from Grossman et al 1998. (Frequency and duration of flooding.)

**UPLAND:** Not a wetland. Very rarely flooded.

**INTERMITTENTLY/SEASONALLY SATURATED:** Dry at least once per year. Surface water is seldom present, but substrate is saturated to surface for extended periods during the growing season.

**PERMANENTLY/SEMPERMANENTLY SATURATED:** Dry less than once per year. Surface water is seldom present, but substrate is saturated to surface for extended periods during the growing season. Equivalent to Cowardin's Saturated modifier.

**OCCASIONALLY FLOODED:** Surface water can be present for brief periods during growing season, but not in most years. Often characterizes flood-plain upper terraces.

**TEMPORARILY FLOODED:** Surface water present for brief periods during growing season, but water table usually lies well below soil surface. Often characterizes flood-plain levees and lower terraces. Equivalent to Cowardin's Temporary modifier.

**INTERMITTENTLY FLOODED:** Substrate is usually exposed, but surface water can be present for variable periods without detectable seasonal periodicity. Inundation is not predictable to a given season and is dependent upon highly localized rain storms. This modifier was developed for use in the arid West for water regimes of Playa lakes, intermittent streams, and dry washes but can be used in other parts of the U.S. where appropriate. This modifier can be applied to both wetland and non-wetland situations. Equivalent to Cowardin's Intermittently Flooded modifier.

**SEMPERMANENTLY FLOODED (exposed <1/year):** Surface water persists throughout the growing season in most years. Land surface is normally saturated when water level drops below soil surface. Includes Cowardin's Intermittently Exposed and Semipermanently Flooded modifiers.

**PERMANENTLY FLOODED:** Water covers the land surface at all times of the year in all years. Equivalent to Cowardin's "permanently flooded".

**UNKNOWN:** The hydrologic regime cannot be determined from the available information.