

## CLEVELAND METROPARKS Plant Community Assessment Program: Quality Control Form



Project Label:

PCAP

Plot No:

1040

Date Sampled:

7-16-15

Lead:

Eisenbach

Comment required if item answer is NO

Parking/Access outside of Park Boundaries:	Y	<input checked="" type="radio"/> N	If yes, write details in Comments section below
Field journals completed	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Y	N	
Site sketch made on 1:3000 map?	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Y	N	
Check cover page	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Y	N	
X-axis Bearing of plot recorded	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Y	N	
GPS coords. Recorded	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Y	N	
North direction recorded	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Y	N	
Photographs taken?	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Y	N	
Relocated Pins Mapped	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Y	N	
Plot No., Date agreement on all pages?	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Y	N	
Header data completed all pages?	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Y	N	
Cover classes recorded in all Intensive modules	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Y	N	
Browse Level By Species	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Y	N	
Woody stem quality control check	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Y	N	Check every line and cross check with the Tree Cover Sheet
Invasive plant quality control check	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Y	N	N/A
Ash trees mapped	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Y	N	<del>N/A</del>
Completed Forest Pest/Pathogen Datasheet	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Y	N	
Cover by Strata? (confirm cover type)	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Y	N	
Soil samples collected with matching plot #.	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Y	N	N/A
Cross check 2010 information	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Y	N	Highlight any changes from 2010 information
Vouchers labeled on datasheet with initials and number	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Y	N	
Vouchers labeled on collection bag	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Y	N	
Pink flags removed	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Y	N	
Data sheet QA before leaving site?	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Y	N	
Common equipment returned to tub.	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Y	N	
Data sheets scanned?			Enter date to left
Final data sheets scanned?			Enter date to left
Buffer Widths measured?	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Y	N	
Web Soil Survey	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Y	N	
Voucher Location	Refrigerator	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Y	N
(# vouchers collected)	Press (#)		Enter number to left
005	Drier	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Y	N
001-005	Identified	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Y	N
	Mounted	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Y	N
	Thrown away	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Y	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:

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CLEVELAND METROPARKS

Plant Community Assessment Program - Background Data Sheet

Cleveland Metroparks

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

PCAP \_\_\_\_\_

Project Name: 02NC2015

Plot No.: 1040

MODIFIED NATURE RESERVE CLASS\*

CODE (on separate form):

Fit= \_\_\_\_\_ Conf= \_\_\_\_\_

COMMUNITY NAME:

Maple - Ash - Elm

Red maple / Silver maple

HOMOGENEITY

☒ Homogeneous
 ☐ Compositional trend across the plot

☐ Conspicuous inclusions
 ☐ Irregular/pattern mosaic

DISTURBANCES

type*	severity**	yrs ago	% of plot	description
Human	H	50	100	Old field mows
Natural				
Fire				
Cut				
Animal	H	0	100	Deer browse
Other				

\*\*L=low, ML=med low, M=med, MH=med high, H=high, VH=very high

Current Land Use:

Former Land Use:

HYDROLOGIC REGIME\*

☐ Upland (seldom flooded)
 ☐ Intermittently flooded

☒ Intermittently/seasonally saturated (seldom flooded)
 ☐ Semipermanently flooded

☐ Permanently/Semipermanent, saturated (dry <1/yr, seldom flooded)
 ☐ Tidal/Seiche flooded daily

☐ Occasionally flooded (<1/yr)
 ☐ Tidal/Seiche flooded monthly

☐ Temporarily flooded
 ☐ Tidal/Seiche flooded irregular (e.g. wind, storms)

☐ Unknown

SALINITY\*

☐ Saltwater
 ☐ Brackish
 ☒ Fresh

☒ Upland (n/a)

(by default unless plot is a wetland)

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

Red Silver  
45 cm DBH was cut down in mod 3. Not sure if part of rehab of area.

- Plenty of standing water w/in the plot. The mosquitos were not bad.  
lots of woody debris on the forest floor

10-26-15  
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# CLEVELAND METROPARKS Plant Community Assessment Program Species Cover Data Sheet

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Project Label:

PCAP

Project name: DANC2015

Plot no.: 1040

Total modules:

10

Intensive modules:

4

Plot configuration:

2x5

Plot area (ha):

0.1



Cleveland Metroparks

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

Strata - Cov. entire plot

Species

Estimate for each intensive module:

%open water

%unveg. ground (bare soil)

%unveg. litter (bare litter)

Voucher #

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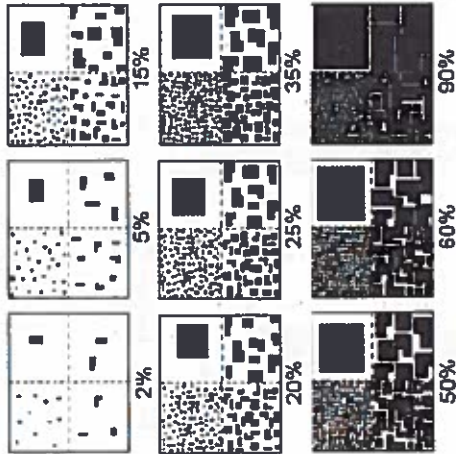
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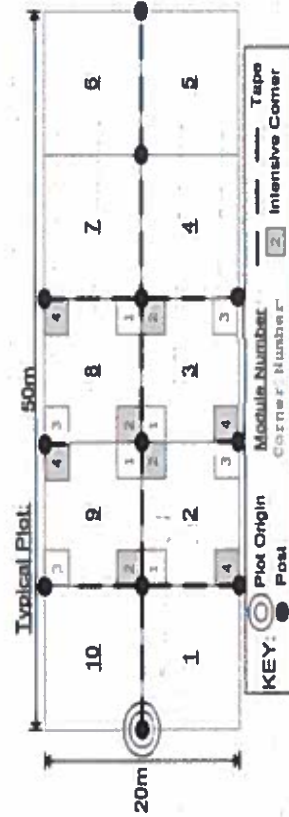
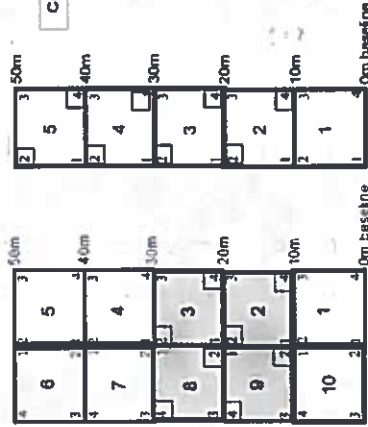
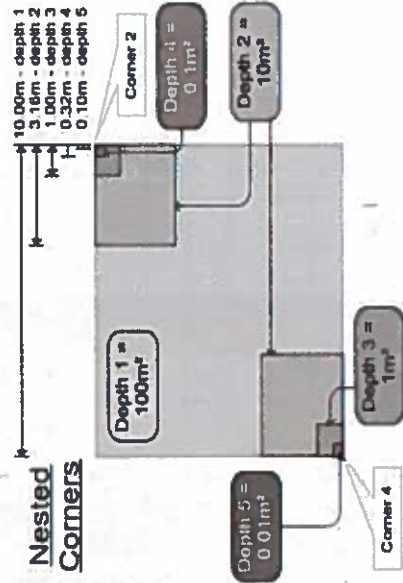
# EXAMPLES OF PERCENT OF AREA COVERED

The following graphic can be used for various data elements in canopy "Amount" or "Quantity". NOTE: Within any given box, each quadrant contains the same field area covered, but different sized objects.



cover class	% cover	midpoint
1	solitary or few	0.0001
2	0-1%	0.005
3	1-2%	0.015
4	2-5%	0.035
5	5-10%	0.075
6	10-25%	0.175
7	25-50%	0.375
8	50-75%	0.625
9	75-95%	0.850
10	95-100%	0.975

## Nested Corners



## BROWSE RATING NARRATIVE DESCRIPTION

**LOW OR NONE:** there is no measurable browse line AND there are very few or no plants 1-m nested quadrat and intensive module. In general, low values relate to less than 10 percent, by numbers of stems browsed.

**MEDIUM LOW** values include evidence of browse at about 10 percent of the stems with no significant impact to plant reproduction evident. In this rating, plants are browsed but preferential species are observed to be reproducing in numbers that appear normal or near-normal in comparison to low browse areas. For example, trilliums may flower and fruit, but jewelweed and arrowwood viburnum exhibit browse.

**MEDIUM:** browse affects greater than 10 percent and less than 25 percent of stems in the 1 m2 nested quadrat and intensive module. A browse line is usually not evident or obvious for all classes and species of vegetation, but careful examination may show preferential browse and/or browse lines for some species of plants.

**MEDIUM HIGH** values include evidence of a browse line and 25 percent of stems browsed with very little vegetation regeneration evident. In this rating, for some species of plants, reproduction does not appear to occur or it is very severely limited.

**HIGH:** greater than 25 percent of the stems of plants in the 1 m2 nested quadrat and intensive module AND a browse line is evident.

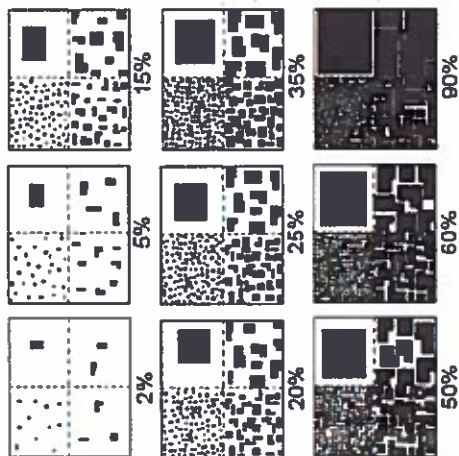
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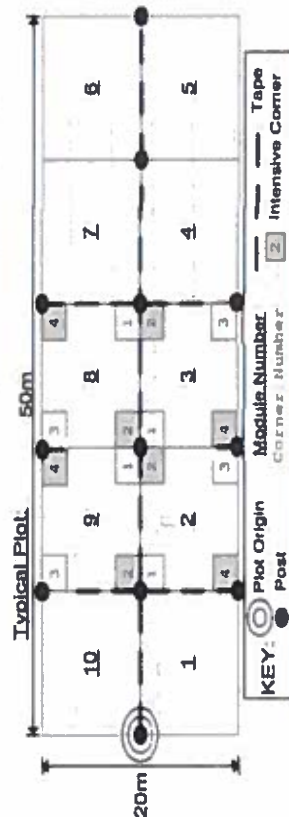
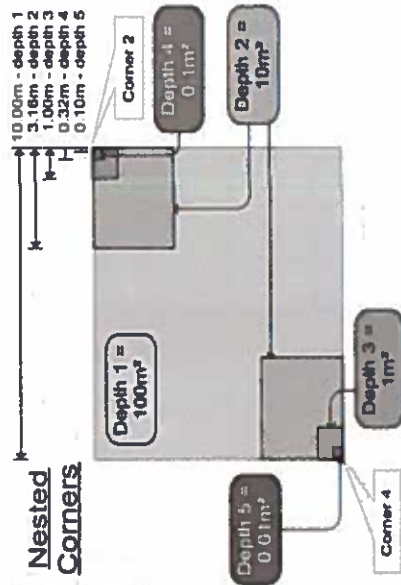
# EXAMPLES OF PERCENT OF AREA COVERED

This diagram can be used to estimate the percent of area covered by "Arctostaphylos" or "Thymus". NOTE: Within any given box, each quadrant contains the same total area covered, just different sized objects.



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3	1-2%	0.015
4	2-5%	0.035
5	5-10%	0.075
6	10-25%	0.175
7	25-50%	0.375
8	50-75%	0.625
9	75-95%	0.850
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# CLEVELAND METROPARKS Plant Community Assessment Program Natural Woody Stem Data Sheet

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Explain subsample (additional room on back):

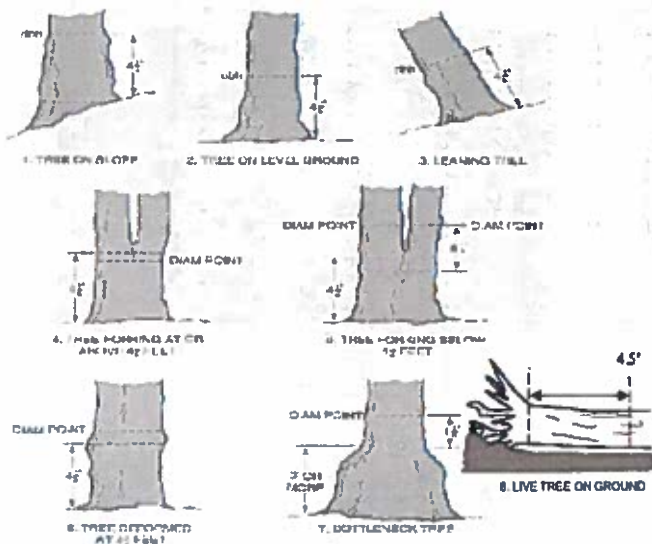
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1	Standing dead																	
1	Acer rubrum																	48.5
1	Robinia pseudoacacia																	
1	Rubus pensylvanicus																	
1	Rosa multiflora																	
1	Toxicodendron radicans																	
1	Ulmus sp.																	
1	Fraxinus sp.																	
2	Standing dead																	
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2	Acer rubrum																	
2	Fraxinus pensylvanica																	
2	Rhamnus frangula																	
3	Fraxinus pensylvanica																	46.3
3	Acer saccharinum																	45.7
3	Rhamnus frangula																	
3	Acer rubrum																	
3	Rubus pensylvanica																	
3	Ulmus sp.																	
3	Toxicodendron radicans																	
3	Pyrus sp.																	
4	Acer rubrum																	41.0
4	Rhamnus frangula																	
4	Prunus serotina																	

Acer 10-15 fill

silver 10-15 fill



### 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



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



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Explain subsample (additional room on back):

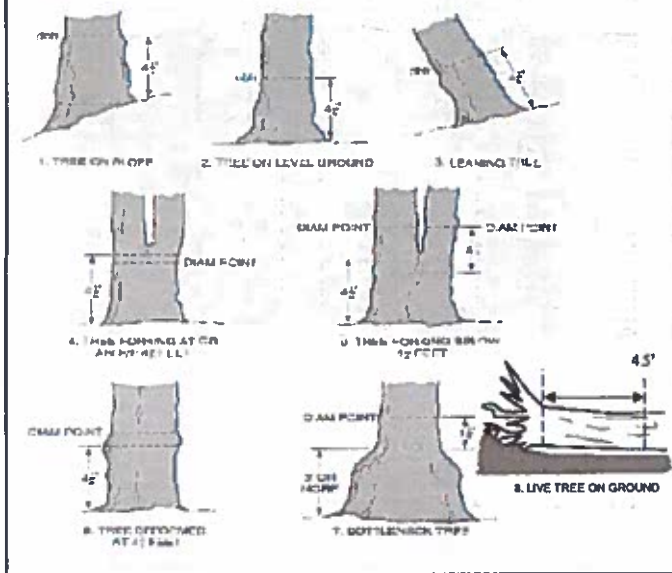
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2010 says  
35-40cm  
we rechecked  
our DBH  
and it is  
51.7

A. saccharinum  
30-35 (2010)  
Killed

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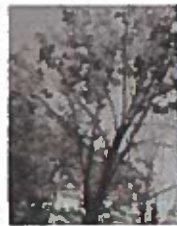
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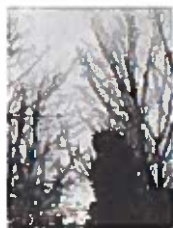
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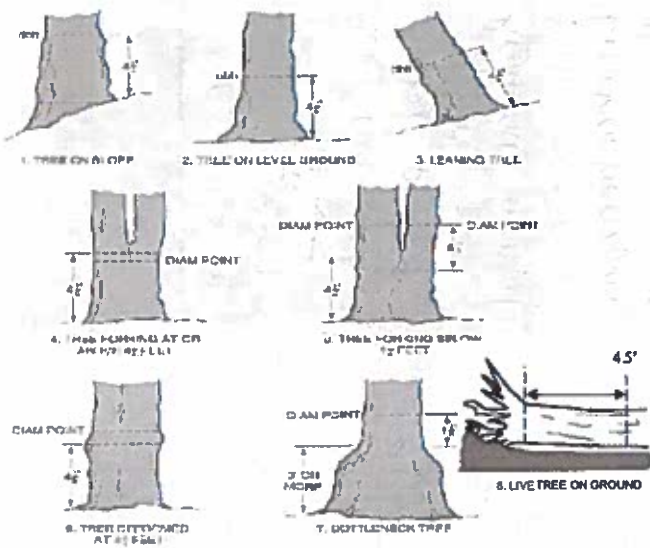
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9	Rhamnus frangula																	
9	Pinus strobus																	
9	Lindera benzoin																	
9	Rosa multiflora																	84.1
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10	Rubus pseudoacacia																	
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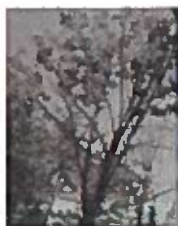
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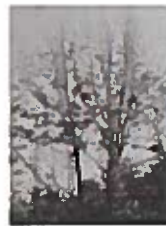
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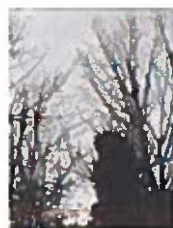
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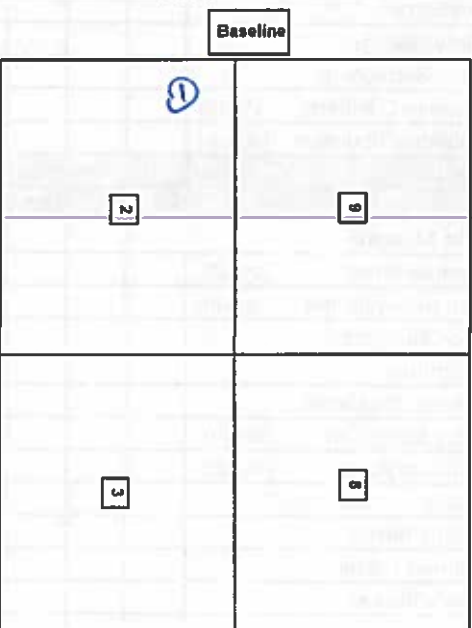
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Tree ID	Species	DBH (cm)	HT (m)	Ash condition	Dead condition	# Exit holes	Epilimnic present	Woodpecker holes
1	FRAXINUS SP.	18.7	5	C	O	1	0	0
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\* If Ash Condition scores 5 (dead) provide breakup score (A-E)  
 Count EAB exit holes 1.25m x 21.5m  
 Woodpecker and epicormic marked present (1) or absent (0)



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

Map all ash trees  $\geq 10$ cm in each module using Tree ID number



**CLEVELAND METROPARKS Plant Community Assessment Program: Invasive Species Survey**


Tier 1: Early detection/ Rapid response		Presence				GPS
		NE	SE	SW	NW	
Microstegium vimineum	Japanese stiltgrass					
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	
Acer platanoides	Norway Maple					
Ailanthus altissima	Tree of Heaven					
Lonicera japonica (vine)	Japanese Honeysuckle					
Lythrum salicaria (wetland)	Purple Loosestrife					
Aegopodium podagraria (G-cover)	Bishop's Goutweed					
Celastrus orbiculatus (vine)	Asian Bittersweet					
Torilis sp.	Hedgeparsley					
Conium maculatum	Polson 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	
Convallaria majalis (G-cover)	Lily of the Valley					
Coronilla varia (G-cover)	Crown Vetch					
Eleutherococcus pentaphyllus	Five-leaf Aralia (shrub)					
Pachysandra terminalis (G-cover)	Japanese Pachysandra					
Philadelphus coronarius	Mock Orange (shrub)					
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	
Alliaria petiolata	Garlic Mustard					
Ligustrum vulgare	Common Privet (shrub)					
L. morrowii, L. tatarica	Bush Honeysuckles (shrub)					
Phalaris arundinacea	Reed Canarygrass					
Phragmites australis (wetland)	Phragmites					
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					

<b>Presence</b>
X: yes

<b># of Plants</b>
1: 1-10
2: 11-50
3: 51-100
4: 101-1,000
5: >1,000

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**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



Project Label: PCAP

Project Name: 02NC2015

Plot No: 1040

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mod #	species	voucher#	# shrub clumps	size class (cm) woody stems > 1m										
				1 0-1	2 1-2.5	3 2.5-4.5	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	No Diseases present													
2														
3														
4														
5														
6														
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:

<u>None</u>	Beech (Fungus)	<u>None</u>	Asian Longhorned Beetle
<u>None</u>	Hemlock (HWA)	<u>None</u>	Other Pest or Pathogen
<u>None</u>	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 wetland) collected in 0.1m clip plot (32x32 cm) from corners 1 and 3 in each intensive module. Required for VIBI-E score calculation. C7=direct, when collected

Module #	C7	Corner	Corner

### CLASSIFICATION

(FT = excellent, F = Fair and Confidence)

#### Hydrogeomorphic class (WETLANDS ONLY)

##### DEPRESSION

☒ IMPONDMENT ☐ Beaver ☐ Human

☐ RIVERINE ☐ Headwater ☐ Mainstem ☐ Channel

☐ SLOPE (ground wet hydrology or on a physical slope)

☐ FRINGING ☐ Reservoir ☐ Natural Lake

☐ COASTAL (specify subclass)

☐ BOC (frequently, moderately, weekly, anthropogenic)

☐ FOREST ☒ Swamp forest ☐ bog forest ☐ forest seep

☐ EMERGENT ☐ marsh ☐ wet meadow ☐ open bog

☐ SHRUB ☐ shrub swamp ☐ tall sh. bog ☐ tall sh. fen

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### MICROTOPOGRAPHIC FEATURE COUNTS - Intensive modules only

Rank for microhabitat 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 (N/E)

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
- 1 feature is present in the wetland in very small amounts or if more common, or low quality
- 2 feature is present in moderate amounts, but not of highest quality, or in small amounts of highest quality
- 3 feature is present in moderate or greater amounts and of highest quality

C.W.D. - count for pieces with minimum 1m length

mod#	corner	no. of tussocks		no. of hummocks		no. macro. depressions		C.W.D. (2-12 cm)		C.W.D. (12-10cm)		C.W.D. >40 cm		microhab. intercepts		microhab. SLOPE	
		depth 3 1x1m	(count)	depth 2 3 1x3 1cm	(count)	depth 1 10x10m	(count)	depth 1 10x10m	(count)	depth 1 10x10m	(count)	depth 1 10x10m	(count)	depth 1 10x10m	(rank)	depth 1 10x10m	(rank)
1		0		0		4		24		2		0		4		1	
3		0		0		4		37		1		1		4		1	
8		0		0		4		21		0		0		4		1	
9		0		0		3		24		1		0		4		1	

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

### McNAB INDICES (degrees) + for up - for down

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

Alt aspect	N	NE	E	SE	S	SW	W	NW
LFI*	TSI**							
+45 degrees	NE							
+90 degrees	E							
+135 degrees	SE							
+180 degrees	S							
+225 degrees	SW							
+270 degrees	W							
+315 degrees	NW							

LFI is angle of plot to the horizon. TSI is angles formed by local slopes. For TSI measure angle from recorder eye to 9 o'clock person standing ~10 m away.

\* Landform Index (question within landscape)  
-- Terrain Shape Index (site microtopographic shape)

CROWN COVER (DENDROMETER). 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	15	9	13	4
3	15	11	10	3
8	2	1	2	3
9	3	3	7	3

Note the direction are switched

# 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.

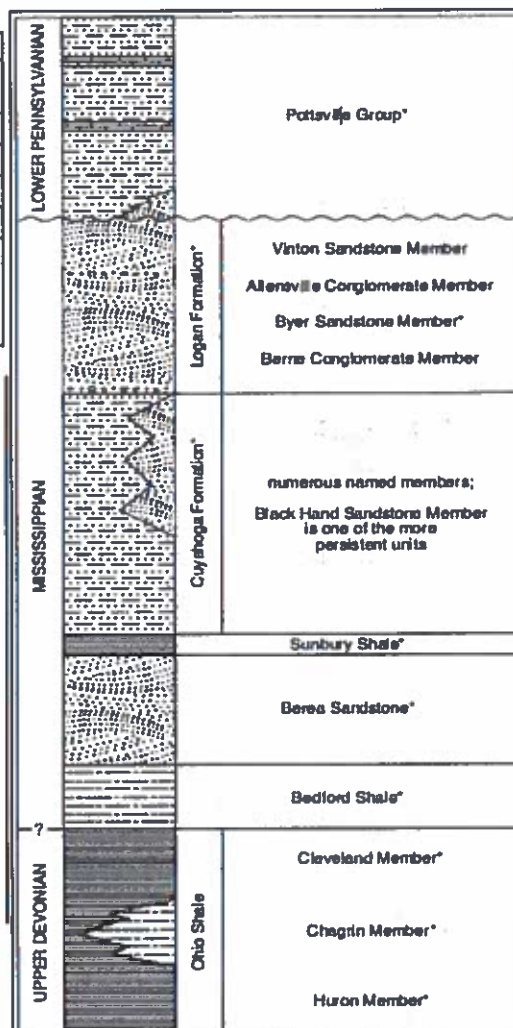
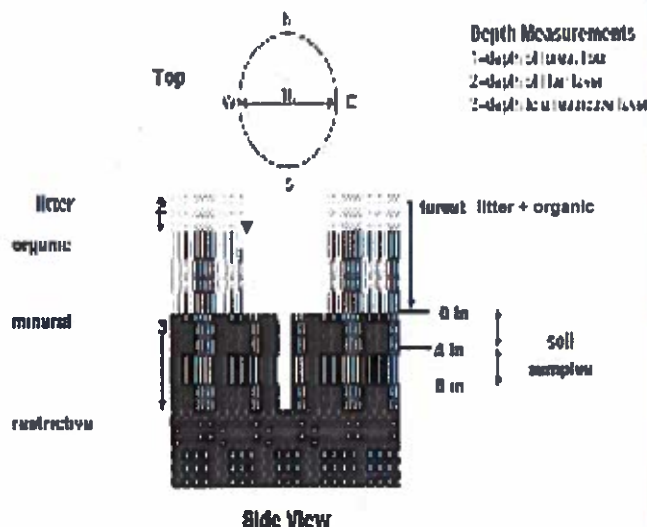


FIGURE 3-20.—Generalized section of Upper Devonian, Mississippian, and Lower Pennsylvanian formations in northeastern Ohio. Asterisks indicate units that are fossiliferous. This composite section represents about 400 meters of rock exposed across the area. The section is not to scale, but the thicknesses 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	
	moist color	
	%moist	
	oxid roots	Y N
	texture*	
	redox features**	Y N
	hydr. cond ***	I S M D
20 cm	matrix color	
	moist color	
	%moist	
	oxid roots	Y N
	texture*	
	redox features**	Y N
	hydr. cond ***	I S M D

Soil Collection Module	Horizon (A, B, C)
2,3,4,5,6,7,8,9,10,11,12,13,14,15,16,17,18,19,20,21,22,23,24,25,26,27,28,29,30,31,32,33,34,35,36,37,38,39,40,41,42,43,44,45,46,47,48,49,50,51,52,53,54,55,56,57,58,59,60,61,62,63,64,65,66,67,68,69,70,71,72,73,74,75,76,77,78,79,80,81,82,83,84,85,86,87,88,89,90,91,92,93,94,95,96,97,98,99,100	A
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

	1 liter+ organic depth (cm)	2 liter depth (cm)	water depth (cm)	depth sat soil (cm)
module				
2	0.1	0.1	0	0
3	0.3	0.3	0	0
8	0.2	0.2	0	0
9	0.1	0.1	0	0

**EARTH SURFACE & GROUND COVER**

Underlying Earth Surface*	Ground Cover	percent
Grass - 100%	percent	
Herbaceous	Coarse Woody Debris***	12
Mineral Soil	Fine Woody Debris****	6
Gravel-Cobble*	Litter	18
Boulder**	Duff (Ferm. - Humus)	0
Bedrock	Bryophytes-Lichen	2
* Gravel-Cobble = 1/16-10"	Water	8
** Boulder = > 10 in	Bare Soil	8
*** > 5 cm in diameter	Root Trail	0
**** < 5 cm in diameter	Other	0

TRAIL INFORMATION:	
record type and cover for each	
Type	%Cover
<input type="checkbox"/> All Purpose	
<input type="checkbox"/> Bridle	
<input type="checkbox"/> Hiking sanctioned	
<input type="checkbox"/> Boulders unsanctioned	
<input type="checkbox"/> Gravel	
<input type="checkbox"/> Dirt	

**COVER BY STRATA**

estimate using midpoints of 5, ex: 3, 8, 13

Strata	Midpoint Range (m)	Total Cover (%)
Tree	7.5	83
Shrub	0.5-5	8
Herb	< 0.5	43
(Floating)*	-	0
(Aquatic)*	-	0

STAND SIZE	
<input type="checkbox"/> > 600 x plot size	
<input type="checkbox"/> > 100 x plot size	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 10-100 x plot size	
<input type="checkbox"/> 3-10 x plot size	
<input type="checkbox"/> 1-3 x plot size	
<input type="checkbox"/> < plot size	

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

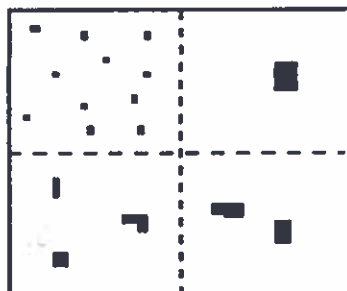
\* rooted and floating or slightly emergent

\*\* submerged, most plant mass below surface



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

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



2%



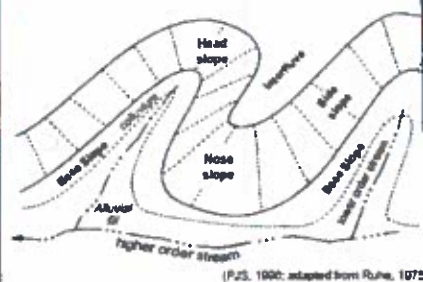
20%

**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.

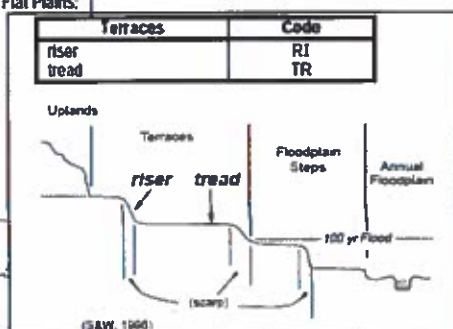
- 0= Organic
- 1= Loamy
- 2= Clayey
- 3= Sandy
- 4= Coarse Sand
- 9= Not measured - make plot note

**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	NASIS
interfuvre	IF	IF
head slope	HS	HS
nose slope	NS	NS
side slope	SS	SS
base slope	—	BS

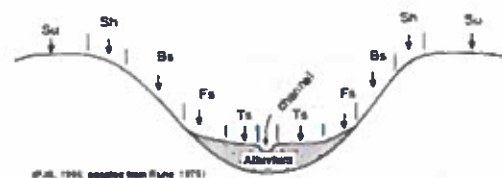


(P.J.S. 1990; adapted from Ruhe, 1975)



**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.