



Primary Headwater Habitat Evaluation Form

HHEI Score (sum of metrics 1, 2, 3) :

SITE NAME/LOCATION _____
 _____ SITE NUMBER _____ RIVER BASIN _____ DRAINAGE AREA (mi²) _____
 LENGTH OF STREAM REACH (ft) _____ LAT. _____ LONG. _____ RIVER CODE _____ RIVER MILE _____
 DATE _____ SCORER _____ COMMENTS _____

NOTE: Complete All Items On This Form - Refer to "Field Evaluation Manual for Ohio's PWH Streams" for Instructions

STREAM CHANNEL MODIFICATIONS:

NONE / NATURAL CHANNEL RECOVERED RECOVERING RECENT OR NO RECOVERY

1. SUBSTRATE (Estimate percent of every type of substrate present. Check ONLY two predominant substrate TYPE boxes (Max of 32). Add total number of significant substrate types found (Max of 8). Final metric score is sum of boxes A & B.

TYPE	PERCENT	TYPE	PERCENT
<input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> BLDR SLABS [16 pts]	_____	<input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> SILT [3 pt]	_____
<input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> BOULDER (>256 mm) [16 pts]	_____	<input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> LEAF PACK/WOODY DEBRIS [3 pts]	_____
<input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> BEDROCK [16 pt]	_____	<input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> FINE DETRITUS [3 pts]	_____
<input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> COBBLE (65-256 mm) [12 pts]	_____	<input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> CLAY or HARDPAN [0 pt]	_____
<input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> GRAVEL (2-64 mm) [9 pts]	_____	<input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> MUCK [0 pts]	_____
<input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> SAND (<2 mm) [6 pts]	_____	<input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> ARTIFICIAL [3 pts]	_____

Total of Percentages of Bldr Slabs, Boulder, Cobble, Bedrock _____

(A)

Substrate Percentage Check

(B)

SCORE OF TWO MOST PREDOMINATE SUBSTRATE TYPES:

TOTAL NUMBER OF SUBSTRATE TYPES:

HHEI Metric Points

Substrate Max = 40

A + B

2. Maximum Pool Depth (Measure the maximum pool depth within the 61 meter (200 ft) evaluation reach at the time of evaluation. Avoid plunge pools from road culverts or storm water pipes) (Check ONLY one box):

<input type="checkbox"/> > 30 centimeters [20 pts]	<input type="checkbox"/> > 5 cm - 10 cm [15 pts]
<input type="checkbox"/> > 22.5 - 30 cm [30 pts]	<input type="checkbox"/> < 5 cm [5 pts]
<input type="checkbox"/> > 10 - 22.5 cm [25 pts]	<input type="checkbox"/> NO WATER OR MOIST CHANNEL [0 pts]

COMMENTS _____ MAXIMUM POOL DEPTH (centimeters):

Pool Depth Max = 30

3. BANK FULL WIDTH (Measured as the average of 3-4 measurements) (Check ONLY one box):

<input type="checkbox"/> > 4.0 meters (> 13') [30 pts]	<input type="checkbox"/> > 1.0 m - 1.5 m (> 3' 3" - 4' 8") [15 pts]
<input type="checkbox"/> > 3.0 m - 4.0 m (> 9' 7" - 13') [25 pts]	<input type="checkbox"/> ≤ 1.0 m (≤ 3' 3") [5 pts]
<input type="checkbox"/> > 1.5 m - 3.0 m (> 9' 7" - 4' 8") [20 pts]	

COMMENTS _____ AVERAGE BANKFULL WIDTH (meters):

Bankfull Width Max=30

This information must also be completed

RIPARIAN ZONE AND FLOODPLAIN QUALITY ☆NOTE: River Left (L) and Right (R) as looking downstream ☆

RIPARIAN WIDTH

L	R	(Per Bank)
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Wide >10m
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Moderate 5-10m
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Narrow <5m
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	None

COMMENTS _____

FLOODPLAIN QUALITY

L	R	(Most Predominant per Bank)
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Mature Forest, Wetland
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Immature Forest, Shrub or Old Field
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Residential, Park, New Field
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Fenced Pasture

L	R	
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Conservation Tillage
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Urban or Industrial
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Open Pasture, Row Crop
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Mining or Construction

FLOW REGIME (At Time of Evaluation) (Check ONLY one box):

<input type="checkbox"/> Stream Flowing	<input type="checkbox"/> Moist Channel, isolated pools, no flow (Intermittent)
<input type="checkbox"/> Subsurface flow with isolated pools (Interstitial)	<input type="checkbox"/> Dry channel, no water (Ephemeral)

COMMENTS _____

SINUOSITY (Number of bends per 61 m (200 ft) of channel) (Check ONLY one box):

<input type="checkbox"/> None	<input type="checkbox"/> 1.0	<input type="checkbox"/> 2.0	<input type="checkbox"/> 3.0
<input type="checkbox"/> 0.5	<input type="checkbox"/> 1.5	<input type="checkbox"/> 2.5	<input type="checkbox"/> >3

STREAM GRADIENT ESTIMATE

Flat (0.5 ft/100 ft) Flat to Moderate Moderate (2 ft/100 ft) Moderate to Severe Severe (10 ft/100 ft)

ADDITIONAL STREAM INFORMATION (This Information Must Also be Completed):

QHEI PERFORMED? - Yes No QHEI Score _____ (If Yes, Attach Completed QHEI Form)

DOWNSTREAM DESIGNATED USE(S)

- WWH Name: _____ Distance from Evaluated Stream _____
- CWH Name: _____ Distance from Evaluated Stream _____
- EWH Name: _____ Distance from Evaluated Stream _____

MAPPING: ATTACH COPIES OF MAPS, INCLUDING THE ENTIRE WATERSHED AREA. CLEARLY MARK THE SITE LOCATION

USGS Quadrangle Name: _____ NRCS Soil Map Page: _____ NRCS Soil Map Stream Order _____

County: _____ Township / City: _____

MISCELLANEOUS

Base Flow Conditions? (Y/N): _____ Date of last precipitation: _____ Quantity: _____

Photograph Information: _____

Elevated Turbidity? (Y/N): _____ Canopy (% open): _____

Were samples collected for water chemistry? (Y/N): _____ (Note lab sample no. or id. and attach results) Lab Number: _____

Field Measures: Temp (°C) _____ Dissolved Oxygen (mg/l) _____ pH (S.U.) _____ Conductivity (µmhos/cm) _____

Is the sampling reach representative of the stream (Y/N) _____ If not, please explain: _____

Additional comments/description of pollution impacts: _____

BIOTIC EVALUATION

Performed? (Y/N): _____ (If Yes, Record all observations. Voucher collections optional. NOTE: all voucher samples must be labeled with the site ID number. Include appropriate field data sheets from the Primary Headwater Habitat Assessment Manual)

Fish Observed? (Y/N) _____ Voucher? (Y/N) _____ Salamanders Observed? (Y/N) _____ Voucher? (Y/N) _____

Frogs or Tadpoles Observed? (Y/N) _____ Voucher? (Y/N) _____ Aquatic Macroinvertebrates Observed? (Y/N) _____ Voucher? (Y/N) _____

Comments Regarding Biology: _____

DRAWING AND NARRATIVE DESCRIPTION OF STREAM REACH (This must be completed):

Include important landmarks and other features of interest for site evaluation and a narrative description of the stream's location

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