

**Stream Visual Assessment Protocol 2 Summary Sheet**

Owner's name \_\_\_\_\_ Evaluator's name \_\_\_\_\_

Stream name \_\_\_\_\_ Tributary to: \_\_\_\_\_ HUC: \_\_\_\_\_

**1. Preliminary Assessment****A. Watershed Description**Ecoregion or MLRA \_\_\_\_\_ Watershed Drainage area (acres or mi<sup>2</sup>) \_\_\_\_\_

Watershed management structures: (no.): dams \_\_\_\_\_ water controls \_\_\_\_\_ irrigation diversions \_\_\_\_\_

No. of miles of contiguous riparian cover/mile of entire stream in watershed (estimated) \_\_\_\_\_

Land use within watershed (%): cropland \_\_\_\_\_ hayland \_\_\_\_\_ grazing/pasture \_\_\_\_\_ forest \_\_\_\_\_  
urban \_\_\_\_\_ industrial \_\_\_\_\_ other (specify) \_\_\_\_\_

Agronomic practices in uplands include: \_\_\_\_\_

Confined animal feeding operations (no.) \_\_\_\_\_ Conservation (acres) \_\_\_\_\_ industrial(acres) \_\_\_\_\_

Number of stream miles on property \_\_\_\_\_ Number of total stream miles \_\_\_\_\_

Stream hydrology: \_\_\_\_\_ intermittent; months of year wetted : \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ perennial; months of year at baseflow: \_\_\_\_\_

**B. Stream/Reach Description:**Stream Gage Location/Discharge: \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_ ft<sup>3</sup>/s

Applicable Reference Stream: \_\_\_\_\_ Reference Stream Location: \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_

Information Sources:

## 2. Field Assessment

### A. Preliminary Field Data

Date of assessment \_\_\_\_\_ Weather conditions today \_\_\_\_\_  
(ambient temp. \ % cloud cover)

Weather conditions over past 2 to 5 days: \_\_\_\_\_  
(No. of days precip/average daytime temp.)

Reach location (UTM or Lat./Long.) \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_ Channel type/classification scheme \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_

Riparian Cover Type(s): Tree \_\_\_\_\_ % Shrub \_\_\_\_\_ % Herbaceous \_\_\_\_\_ % Bare \_\_\_\_\_ %

Bank Profile: Stratified \_\_\_\_\_ Homogeneous \_\_\_\_\_ Cohesive Soil \_\_\_\_\_ Noncohesive Soil \_\_\_\_\_

Gradient ( $\sqrt{\text{one}}$ ): Low (0-2%) \_\_\_\_\_ Moderate (>2<4%) \_\_\_\_\_ High (>4%) \_\_\_\_\_

Bankfull channel width \_\_\_\_\_ ft Reach length \_\_\_\_\_ ft Flood plain width \_\_\_\_\_ ft

Average riparian zone width \_\_\_\_\_ ft Method used (e.g., Range finder): \_\_\_\_\_

Average height of woody shrubs \_\_\_\_\_ Method used (e.g., Range finder): \_\_\_\_\_

Flood plain wetlands, if present \_\_\_\_\_ acres/reach

Dominant substrate (%): boulder \_\_\_\_\_ cobble \_\_\_\_\_ gravel \_\_\_\_\_ sand \_\_\_\_\_ fine sediments \_\_\_\_\_  
( > 250 mm) (60-250mm) (2-60 mm) (2-.06 mm) ( < .06 mm)

#### Photo Point Locations and Descriptions:

| Photo Pt. # | GPS Coordinates/Waypoints | Description |
|-------------|---------------------------|-------------|
| 1           |                           |             |
| 2           |                           |             |
| 3           |                           |             |

SVAP Start Time/Water Temp: \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_ SVAP End Time/Water Temp: \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_

Notes:

**B. Element Scores**

| Element                          | Score | Element                                                                                                                                   | Score |
|----------------------------------|-------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------|
| 1. Channel Condition             |       | 14. Aquatic Invertebrate Community                                                                                                        |       |
| 2. Hydrologic Alteration         |       | 15. Riffle Embeddedness                                                                                                                   |       |
| 3. Bank Condition                |       | 16. Salinity                                                                                                                              |       |
| 4. Riparian Area Quantity        |       | <b>A. Sum of all elements scored</b>                                                                                                      |       |
| 5. Riparian Area Quality         |       | <b>B. Number of elements scored</b>                                                                                                       |       |
| 6. Canopy Cover                  |       | <b>Overall score: A/B _____</b><br><br>1 to 2.9 Severely Degraded<br>3 to 4.9 Poor<br>5 to 6.9 Fair<br>7 to 8.9 Good<br>9 to 10 Excellent |       |
| 7. Water Appearance              |       |                                                                                                                                           |       |
| 8. Nutrient Enrichment           |       |                                                                                                                                           |       |
| 9. Manure or Human Waste         |       |                                                                                                                                           |       |
| 10. Pools                        |       |                                                                                                                                           |       |
| 11. Barriers to Movement         |       |                                                                                                                                           |       |
| 12. Fish Habitat Complexity      |       |                                                                                                                                           |       |
| 13. Aquatic Invertebrate Habitat |       |                                                                                                                                           |       |

Suspected causes of SVAP scores less than 5 (does not meet quality criteria for stream species)

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Recommendations for further assessment or actions:

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Riparian wildlife habitat recommendations:

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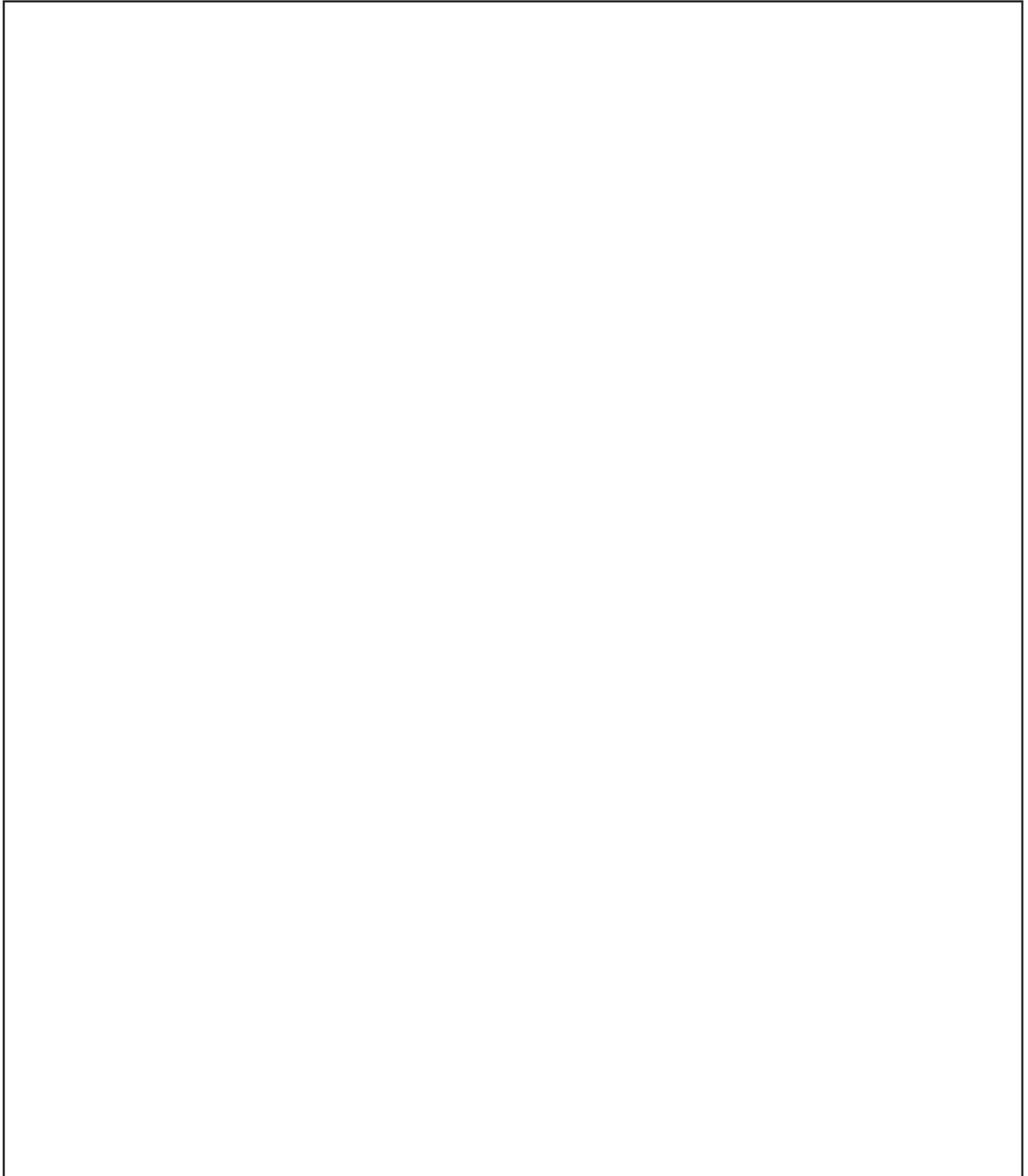


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C. Site Diagram: indicate approximate scale, major features, resource concerns, etc.



**1 to 2.9 Severely Degraded**  
**3 to 4.9 Poor**

**Provide notes related to each element scored on back of site diagram, as needed.**