

**Brown Bark Park
Stream Restoration Monitoring Report
EEP Project # 52
Monitoring Year – 05
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1.0 EXECUTIVE SUMMARY / PROJECT ABSTRACT

In 2004, the North Carolina Ecosystem Enhancement Program (EEP) conducted stream restoration at Brown Bark Park within the Buffalo Creek Watershed in Greensboro, North Carolina. The 0.3-mi² watershed is located within the USGS 14-digit HUC 03030002020040 and the NCDWQ Sub-basin 03-06-02 of the Cape Fear River Basin. The project restored approximately 2,834 linear feet of channel. Project construction occurred in 2004. The project goals and objectives are listed below.

- Restore unstable stream channel to natural stable form by modifying dimension, pattern, and/or profile based on reference reach parameters.
- Improve floodplain functionality by matching bankfull stage with floodplain elevation.
- Establish native floodplain vegetation through a forested riparian buffer.
- Improve the natural aesthetics of the stream corridor.
- Obtain mitigation credits for unavoidable impacts to streams within the same Hydrologic Unit Code.

The riparian buffer was planted with seven different species of bare root trees and four different species of live stakes. Three vegetation monitoring plots were established during the as-built survey: two buffer plots, each approximately 25' x 100', and one live stake plot, approximately 175' x 5'. The fifth year of monitoring found an average of 279 stems per acre in the buffer plots, and 2,639 stems per acre in the live stake plot. Due to the urban nature of the project, there are several exotic species that are present at the project site. These species include mimosa (*Albizia julibrissin*), white mulberry (*Morus alba*), Japanese honeysuckle (*Lonicera japonica*), ornamental pear (*Pyrus calleryana*), multiflora rose (*Rosa multiflora*), and porcelainberry (*Ampelopsis brevipedunculata*). The invasive species listed do not exist in dense, dominant patches, they are scattered and are generally low in number. EEP has indicated that the City of Greensboro is taking over invasive control moving forward into stewardship. The fifth year monitoring found the vegetation component of the project to be on track to meeting the success criteria. Although the vegetation plots met the success criteria, the longer, narrow nature of the buffer in combination with plot placement made for 10-15 foot wide strips at various places within the buffer that exhibited lower woody stem densities and were subject to supplemental planting in late winter 2009/2010. These areas were mainly between the benching and upland zones. The total acreage subject to supplemental planting was approximately 0.9 acres. The plants were larger caliper material, 3 years in age, 5-10 gallon containerized with substantial root mass. EEP plans to observe these stems and summarize survival for 1 or 2 more growing seasons before offering the project for final closeout.

The stream assessment completed during the fifth year of monitoring found the stream to be functioning for the majority of the project. Longitudinal profile and channel dimensions have changed minimally from the as-built conditions. The majority of the in-stream structures are functioning and some previously documented areas of erosion have stabilized with vegetation.

Summary information/data related to the occurrence of items such as beaver or encroachment and statistics related to performance of various project and monitoring elements can be found in the tables and figures in the report appendices. Narrative background and supporting information formerly found in these reports can be found in the mitigation and restoration plan documents available on the EEPs website. All raw data supporting the tables and figures in the appendices are available upon request.

2.0 METHODOLOGY

The EEP 2004 Stem Counting Protocol was used to collect vegetation data from Brown Bark Park this year, the fifth year of monitoring.

3.0 REFERENCES

Weakley, A S. 2006. Flora of the Carolinas, Virginia, Georgia, and Surrounding Areas.
[\(http://www.herbarium.unc.edu/FloraArchives/WeakleyFlora_2006-Jan.pdf\)](http://www.herbarium.unc.edu/FloraArchives/WeakleyFlora_2006-Jan.pdf)

Appendix A

General Figures and Plan Views

DIRECTIONS TO BROWN BARK PARK SITE:
From Interstate 40, take exit 41 and continue north on E. Lee St. Bear right onto Hackett St. then turn left onto Gorrell St. Bear right onto US-220 N. (O'Henry Blvd.) Turn onto US-70 W. (E. Wendover Ave.) Turn right onto Benjamin Pkwy, and then continue straight onto Joseph M Bryan Blvd. Turn left onto Westridge Rd., and then left onto Westminster Dr. Turn right onto Brown Bark Dr. and the park will be on your right.

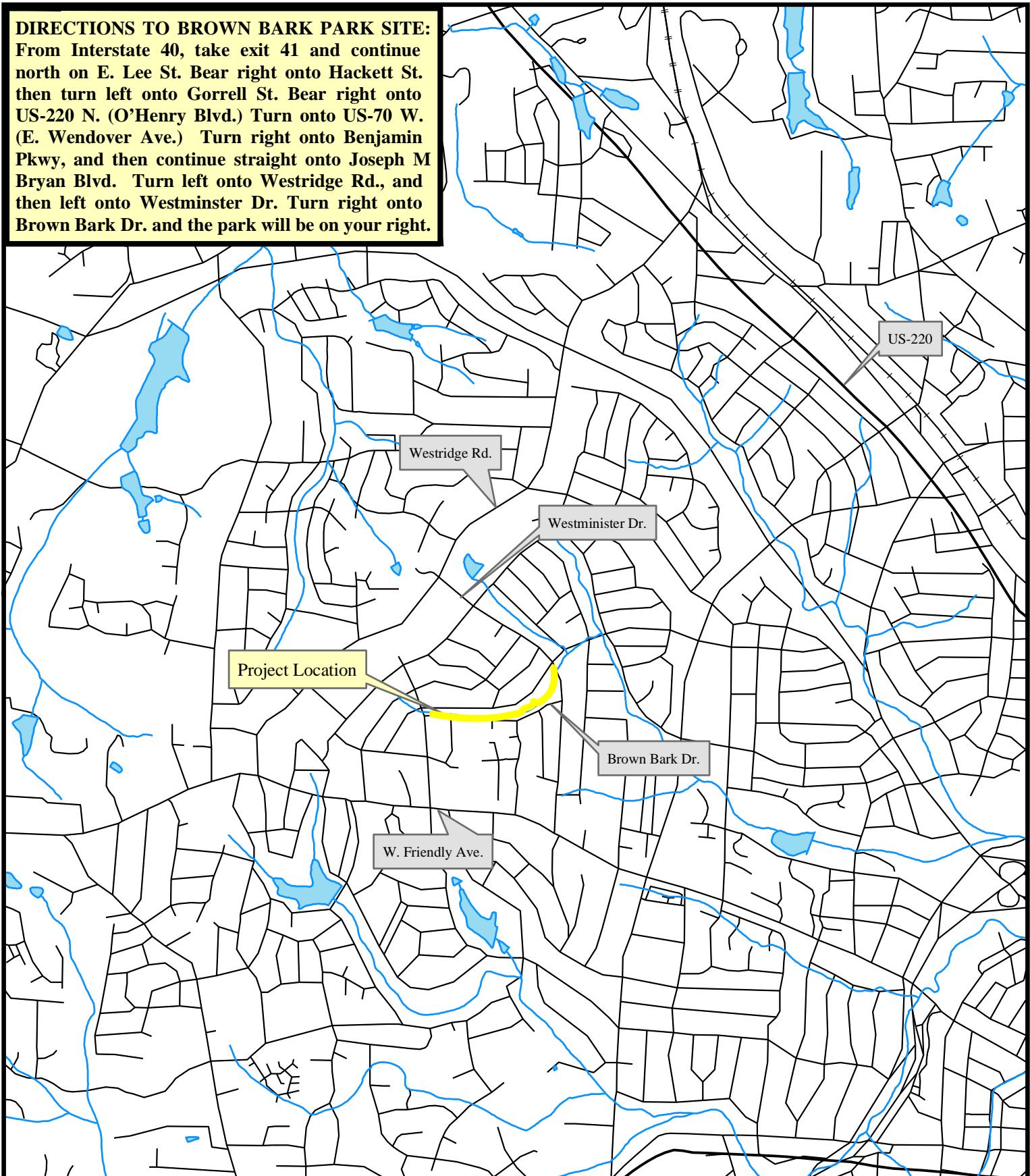
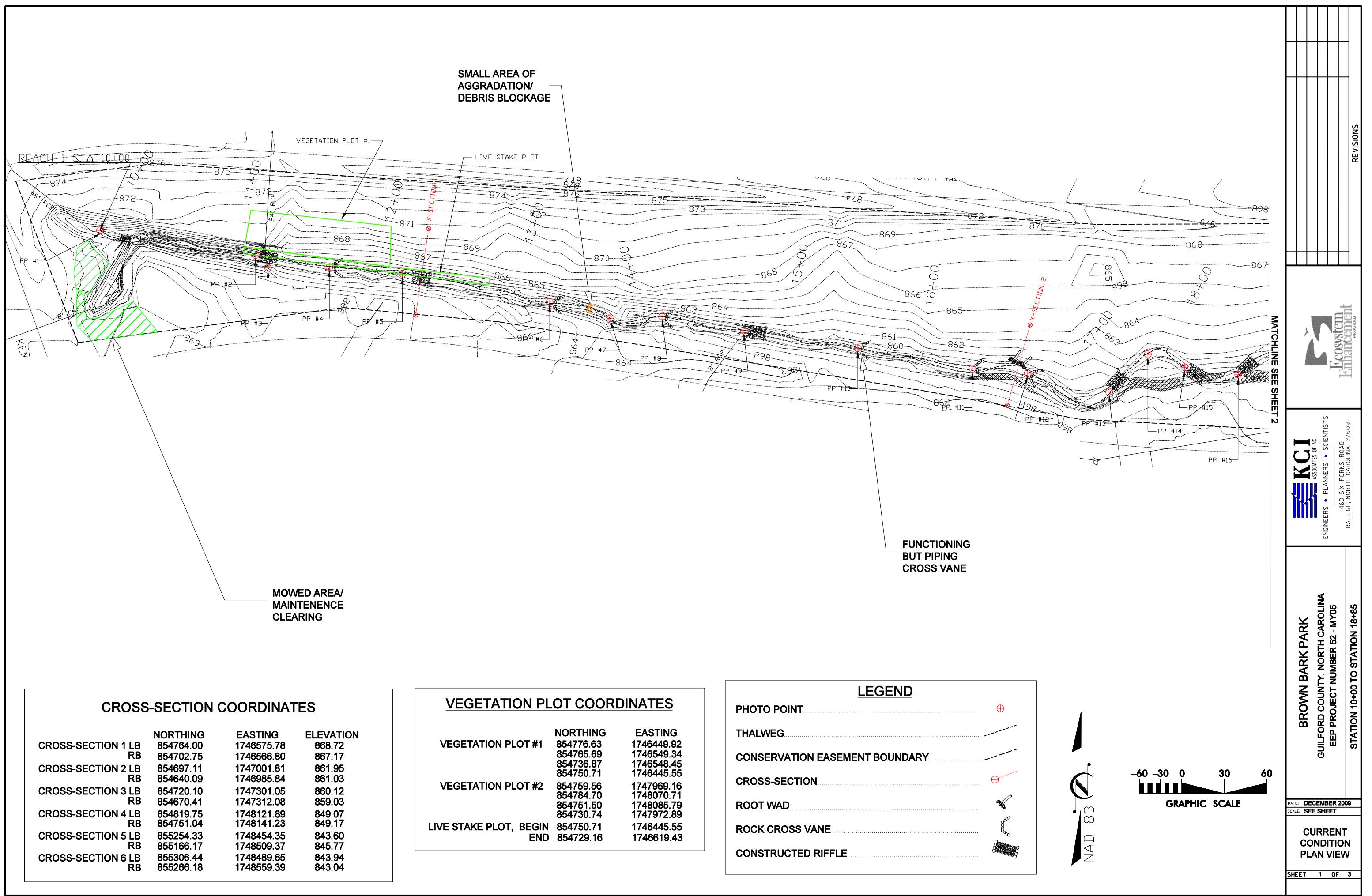


Figure 1. Site Vicinity Map
Brown Bark Park, Guilford County, EEP Project # 52

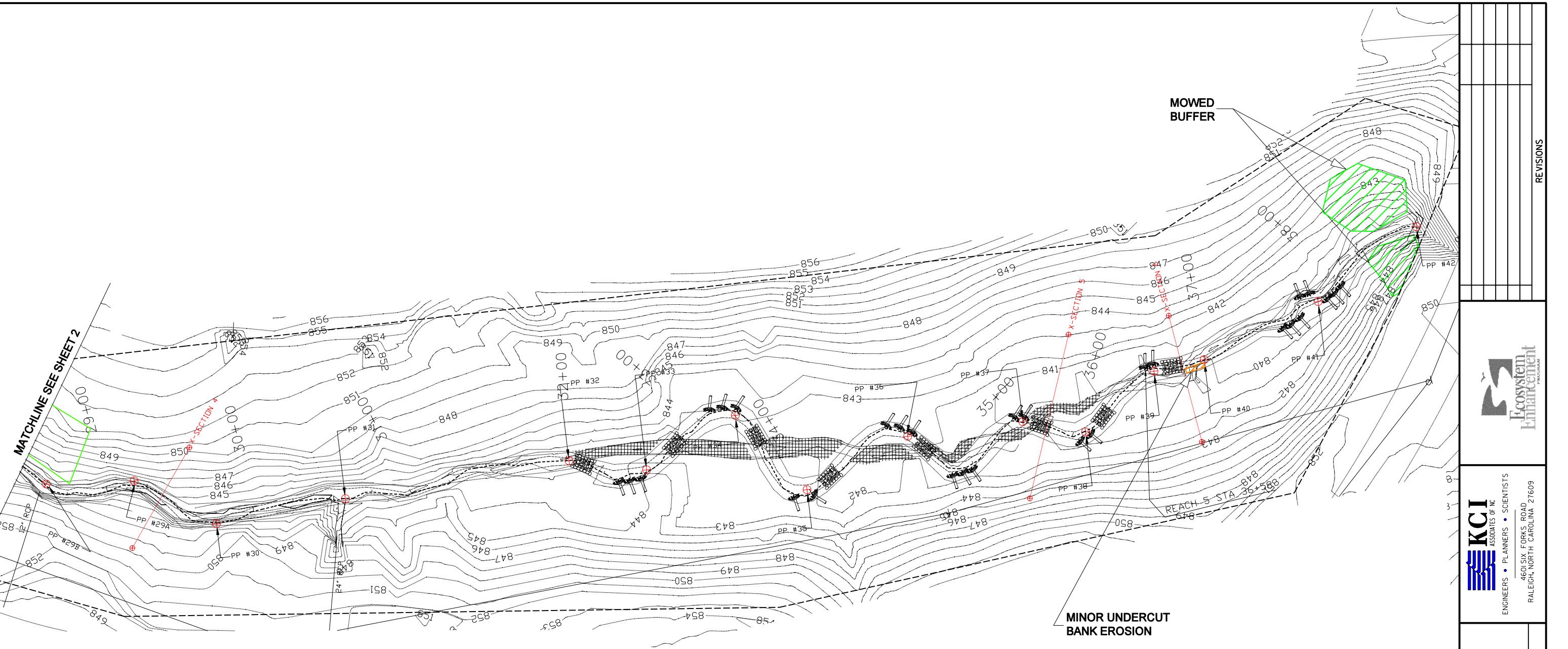


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LEGEND

- PHOTO POINT
 - THALWEG
 - AS-BUILT VEGETATIVE BUFFER BOUNDARY
 - CROSS-SECTION
 - ROOT WAD
 - ROCK CROSS VANE
 - CONSTRUCTED RIFFLE

GRAPHIC SCALE

BROWN BARK PARK
GUILFORD COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA
EEP PROJECT NUMBER 52 -MY05
STATION 28+40 TO STATION 38+

DECEMBER 2009
SEE SHEET

**CURRENT
CONDITION
PLAN VIEW**

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Appendix B

General Project Tables

Table 1. Project Restoration Components**Project Number and Name: 52 - Brown Bark Park**

Segment / Reach ID	Existing Linear Feet	Type	Approach	Linear Feet	Stationing	Comment
Reach I	2,834	R	P2/3	2,834	10+00 - 38+34	

R = Restoration

P2/3 = Combination of Priority 2 and 3

Table 2. Project Activity and Reporting History**Project Number and Name: 52 - Brown Bark Park**

Activity or Report	Data Collection Complete	Actual Completion or Delivery
Restoration Plan		Jun 02
Permits		Jun 02
Final Design - 90%		
Construction		Aug 04
Stream Repair and Maintenance Seeding		Apr 05
As-Built Report	2005	Jun 05
Year 1 Monitoring	Nov 05	Jan 06
Year 2 Monitoring	Sep 06	Jan 07
Year 3 Monitoring	Aug 07	Jan 08
Year 4 Monitoring	Nov 08	Jan 09
Year 5 Monitoring	Nov 09	Dec 09

Table 3. Project Contacts Table**Project Number and Name: 52 – Brown Bark Park**

Design Firm	Buck Engineering 8000 Regency Parkway, Suite 200 Cary, North Carolina 27511 Contact: Mr. Mike Rooney Phone: (919) 463-5488 Fax: (919) 463-5490
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Monitoring Performers	
MY-01	Buck Engineering 8000 Regency Parkway, Suite 200 Cary, North Carolina 27511 Contact: Mr. Mike Rooney Phone: (919) 463-5488 Fax: (919) 463-5490
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Table 4. Project Attribute Table**Project Number and Name: 52 – Brown Bark Park**

Project County	Guilford County
Drainage Area	0.3 sq. mi.
Drainage Impervious Cover Estimate (%)	32%
Stream Order	First Order
Physiographic Region	Piedmont
Ecoregion	Southern Outer Piedmont
Rosgen Classification of As-built	B5/C5
Dominant Soil Types	Cecil-Urban land complex (Brown Bark)
Reference Site ID	N/A
USGS HUC for Project and Reference	03030002020040 (Brown Bark)
NCDWQ Sub-basin for Project and Reference	03-06-02 (Brown Bark)
NCDWQ Classification for Project and Reference	N/A (Brown Bark)
Any portion of the project segment 303(d) listed?	No - not rated
Any portion of the project segment upstream of a 303(d) listed segment?	No
Reasons for 303(d) Listing or Stressor	N/A
% of Project Easement Fenced	0%
% of Project Easement Demarcated with Bollards	100%

Appendix C

Vegetation Assessment Data

Table 5. Vegetation Plot Mitigation Success Summary Table

Project Number and Name: 52 - Brown Bark Park		
Vegetation Plot ID	Monitoring Year 05 Planted Stem Density (stems/acre)	Vegetation Survival Threshold Met?
1	279	Yes
2	279	Yes
Live Stake Plot	2,639	Yes

Table 6. Planted Stem Counts for Each Species Arranged by Plot**Project Number and Name: 52 – Brown Bark Park**

Species	Buffer Plot		Live Stake Plot	Initial Totals	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Survival %*
	1	2			Totals	Totals	Totals	Totals	Totals	
Shrubs										
<i>Cornus amomum</i>				26			26	26	26	N/A
<i>Sambucus canadensis</i>				7			7	7	7	N/A
Trees										
<i>Quercus phellos</i>		1					1	1	1	N/A
<i>Fraxinus pennsylvanica</i>		3					4	3	3	N/A
<i>Nyssa sylvatica</i>	5	9					14	14	14	N/A
<i>Betula nigra</i>	1	3					5	4	4	N/A
<i>Cornus florida</i>	1						1	1	1	N/A
<i>Hamamelis virginiana</i>	9						11	11	9	N/A
<i>Salix nigra</i>			6				6	6	6	N/A
<i>Salix sericea</i>			22				25	22	22	N/A
Total	16	16	61	179	127	100	95	93	93	52%

*The survival percentage for each species is unknown because the as-built and first year monitoring data are not available.

Table 7. Planted Stem Density By Plot**Project Number and Name: 52 – Brown Bark Park****Crew : B. Roberts**

Plot #	Witch Hazel	<i>Hamamelis virginiana</i>	Green Ash	<i>Fraxinus pennsylvanica</i>	Black Gum	<i>Nyssa sylvatica</i>	River Birch	<i>Betula nigra</i>	Silky Dogwood	<i>Cornus amomum</i>	Elderberry	<i>Sambucus canadensis</i>	Flowering Dogwood	<i>Cornus florida</i>	Willow Oak	<i>Quercus phellos</i>	Silky Willow	<i>Salix sericea</i>	Black Willow	<i>Salix nigra</i>	Total (Year 5)	Density (Trees/Acre)
1	9				5		1					1									16	279
2		3		<i>Fraxinus pennsylvanica</i>	9	<i>Nyssa sylvatica</i>	3	<i>Betula nigra</i>		<i>Cornus amomum</i>					1						16	279
LS									26	7							22	6	61	3,037		

Vegetation Monitoring Plot Photos



Plot 1 Photo – Taken from Photo Point #3 Buffer Plot #1 and the Live Stake Plot are on the left side of the stream. 11/3/09 - MY 05



Plot 2 Photo – Taken from Photo Point #28 Buffer Plot #2 is on the left side of the stream. 11/3/09 - MY 05

Appendix D

Stream Assessment Data

Stream Station Photos



PP#1 – MY05 – 11/3/09



PP#2 – MY05 – 11/3/09



PP#3 – MY05 – 11/3/09



PP#4 – MY05 – 11/3/09



PP#5 – MY05 – 11/3/09



PP#6 – MY05 – 11/3/09



PP#7 – MY05 – 11/3/09



PP#8 – MY05 – 11/3/09



PP#9 – MY05 – 11/3/09



PP#10 – MY05 – 11/3/09



PP#11 – MY05 – 11/3/09



PP#12 – MY05 – 11/3/09



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PP#13 – MY05 – 11/3/09



11/03/2009

PP#14 – MY05 – 11/3/09



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PP#15 – MY05 – 11/3/09



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PP#17 – MY05 – 11/3/09



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PP#18 – MY05 – 11/3/09



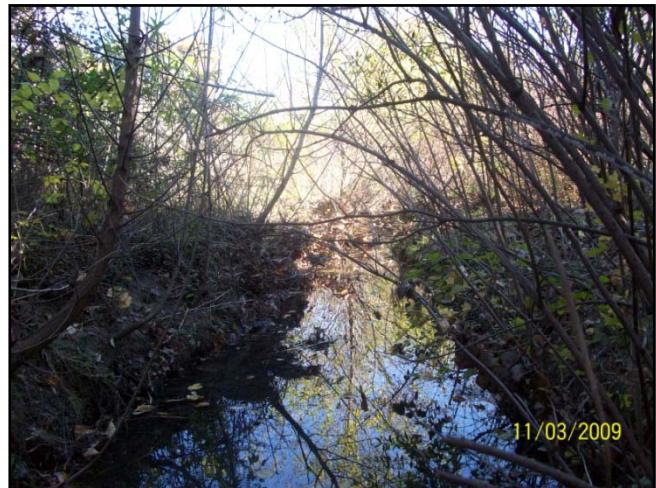
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PP#20A – MY05 – 11/3/09



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PP#22 – MY05 – 11/3/09



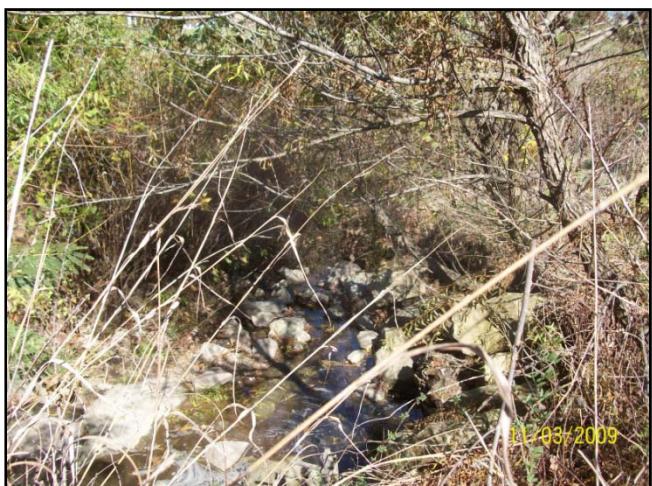
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PP#28 – MY05 – 11/3/09



PP#29A – MY05 – 11/3/09



PP#29B – MY05 – 11/3/09



PP#30 – MY05 – 11/3/09



PP#31 – MY05 – 11/3/09



PP#32 – MY05 – 11/3/09



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PP#34 – MY05 – 11/3/09



PP#35 – MY05 – 11/3/09



PP#36 – MY05 – 11/3/09



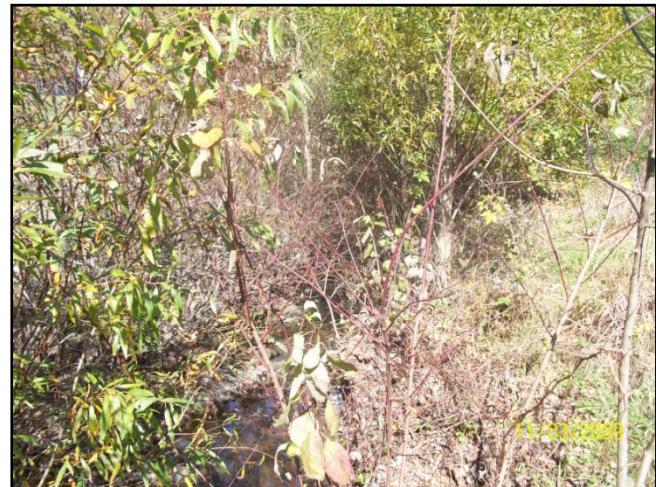
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PP#39 – MY05 – 11/3/09



PP#40 – MY05 – 11/3/09



PP#41 – MY05 – 11/3/09



PP#42 – MY05 – 11/3/09

Table 8. Visual Morphological Stability Assessment
Project Number and Name: 52 – Brown Bark Park

Feature Category	Metric (per As-built and reference baselines)	(# Stable) Number Performing as Intended	Total Number per As-built *	Total Number / feet in unstable state	% Perform. in Stable Condition	Feature Perform. Mean or Total
A. Riffles	1. Present?	44	52	N/A	85%	82%
	2. Armor stable (e.g. no displacement)?	44	52	N/A	85%	
	3. Facet grade appears stable?	44	52	N/A	85%	
	4. Minimal evidence of embedding/fining?	43	52	N/A	83%	
	5. Length appropriate?	37	52	N/A	71%	
B. Pools	1. Present? (e.g. no severe aggradation)	49	50	N/A	98%	98%
	2. Sufficiently deep (Dmax pool:Mean Bkf > 1.6?)	49	50	N/A	98%	
	3. Length appropriate?	49	50	N/A	98%	
C. Thalweg	1. Upstream of meander bend centering?	13	14	N/A	93%	82%
	2. Downstream of meander centering?	10	14	N/A	71%	
D. Meanders	1. Outer bend in state of limited/controlled erosion?	14	14	N/A	100%	100%
	2. Of those eroding, # w/ concomitant point bar formation?	0	0	N/A	N/A	
	3. Apparent Rc within spec?	**	**	N/A	N/A	
	4. Sufficient floodplain access and relief?	14	14	N/A	100%	
E. Bed General	1. General channel bed aggradation areas (bar formation)	N/A	N/A	2/15	99%	99%
	2. Channel bed degradation - areas of increasing down cutting or head cutting?	N/A	N/A	0/0	100%	
F. Bank	1. Actively eroding, wasting, or slumping bank	N/A	N/A	0/0	100%	100%
G. Vanes	1. Free of back or arm scour?	6	6	N/A	100%	100%
	2. Height appropriate?	6	6	N/A	100%	
	3. Angle and geometry appear appropriate?	6	6	N/A	100%	
	4. Free of piping or other structural failures?	6	6	N/A	100%	
H. Wads / Boulders	1. Free of scour?	17	18	N/A	94%	94%
	2. Footing stable?	17	18	N/A	94%	

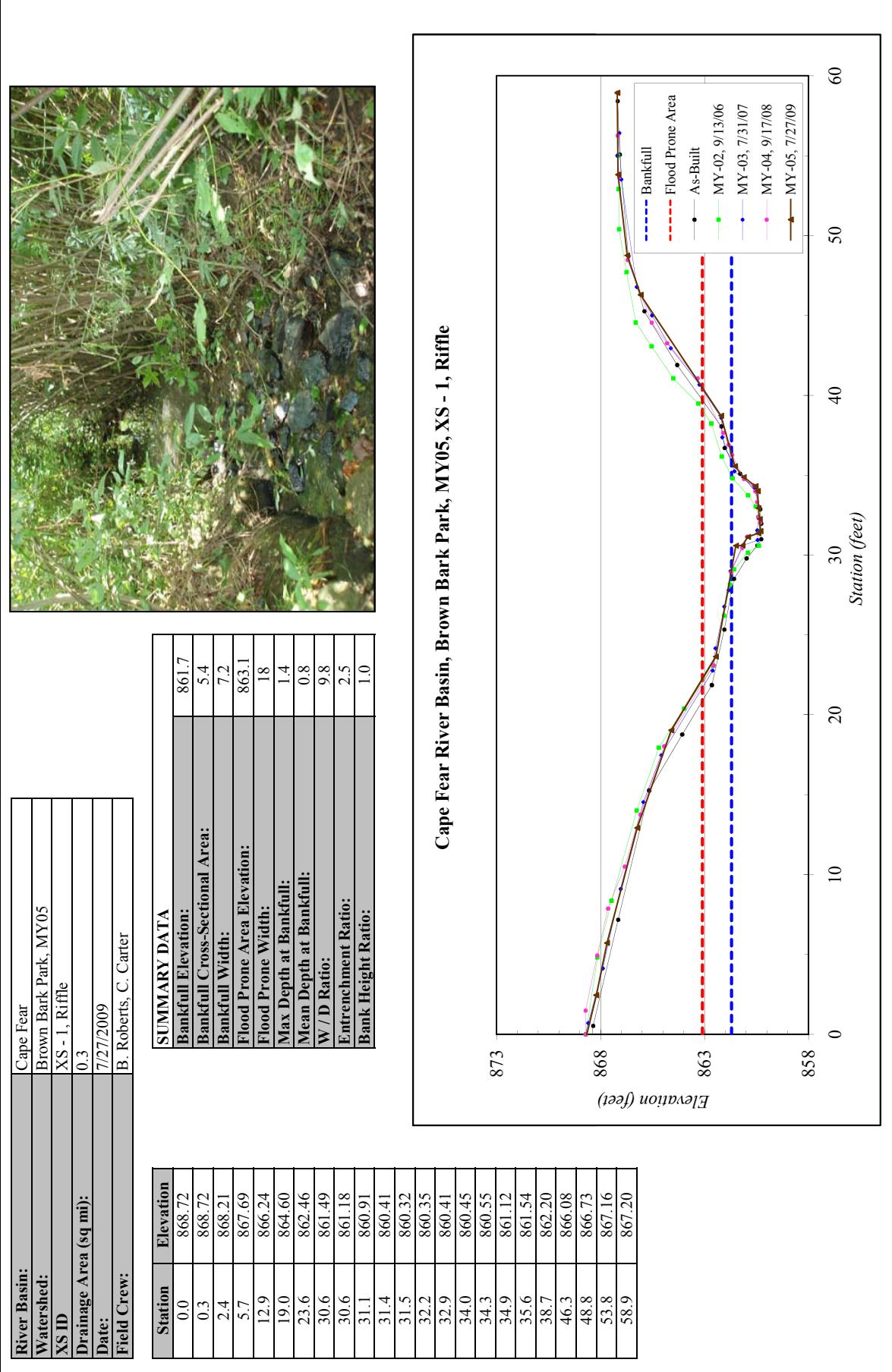
*Total number of features per as-built estimated from as-built profile and planview sheets.

**Rc of design unknown

Table 9. Verification of Bankfull Events
Project Number and Name: 52 – Brown Bark Park

Date of Data Collection	Date of Occurrence	Method	Photo Number
9/18/2006	9/18/2006	On site	N/A
8/17/2007	4/15/2007	Crest gauge	N/A
11/15/2007	10/26/2007	Crest gauge	N/A
11/5/2008	8/27/2008	Crest gauge	N/A
11/9/2009	6/5/2009	Evaluation of rainfall data	N/A
11/25/2009	11/13/2009	Evaluation of rainfall data	N/A

Cross-Section Plots

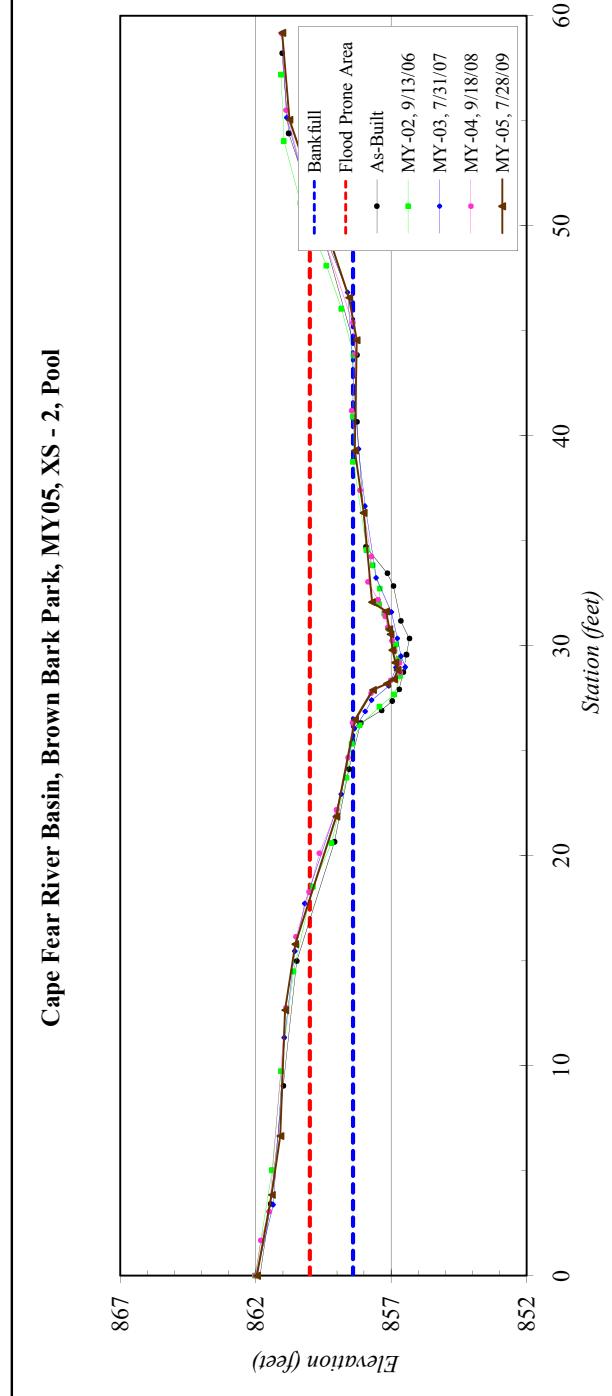




River Basin:	Cape Fear
Watershed:	Brown Bark Park, MY05
XS ID	XS - 2, Pool
Drainage Area (sq mi):	0.3
Date:	7/28/2009
Field Crew:	B. Roberts, C. Carter

Station	Elevation
0.0	861.95
3.9	861.41
6.6	861.09
12.6	860.91
15.8	860.54
21.9	859.03
26.5	858.34
27.9	857.67
28.2	857.15
28.4	856.90
28.8	856.76
29.2	856.85
29.8	856.95
30.5	857.02
30.8	857.07
31.6	857.19
32.1	857.71
36.3	858.02
39.3	858.34
44.6	858.28
46.6	858.55
50.5	859.56
55.0	860.75
59.2	861.03

Cape Fear River Basin, Brown Bark Park, MY05, XS - 2, Pool

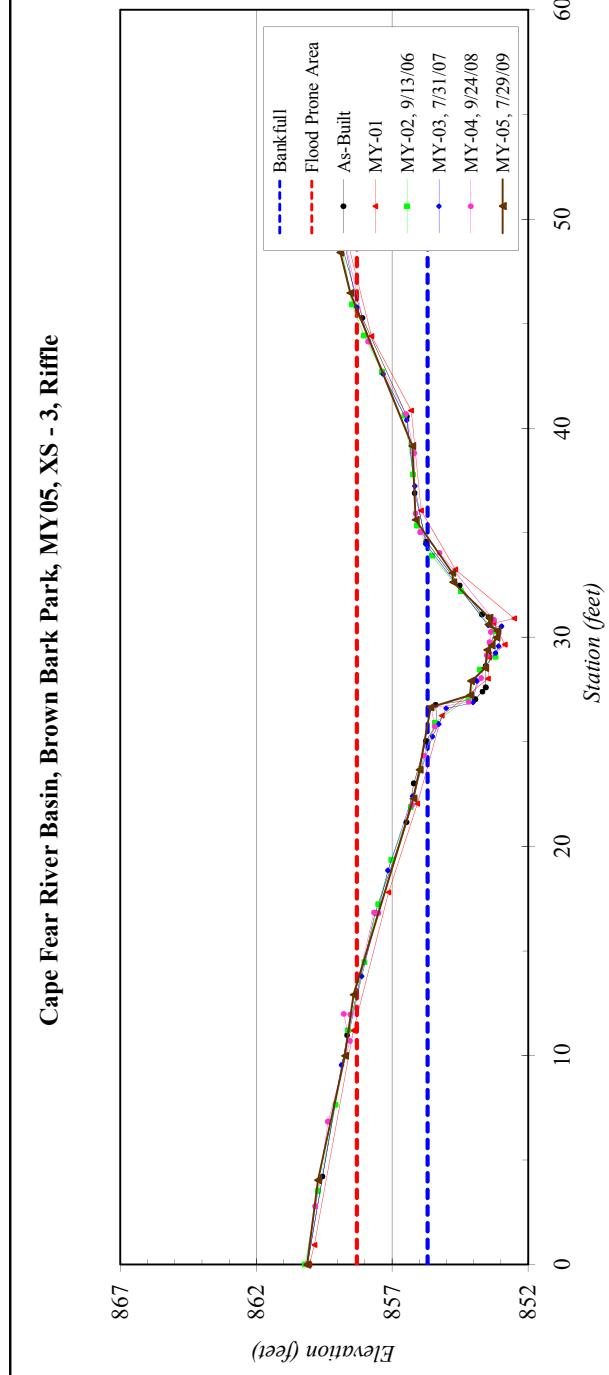


River Basin:	Cape Fear
Watershed:	Brown Bark Park, MY05
XS ID	XS - 3, Riffle
Drainage Area (sq mi):	0.3
Date:	7/29/2009
Field Crew:	B. Roberts, C. Carter



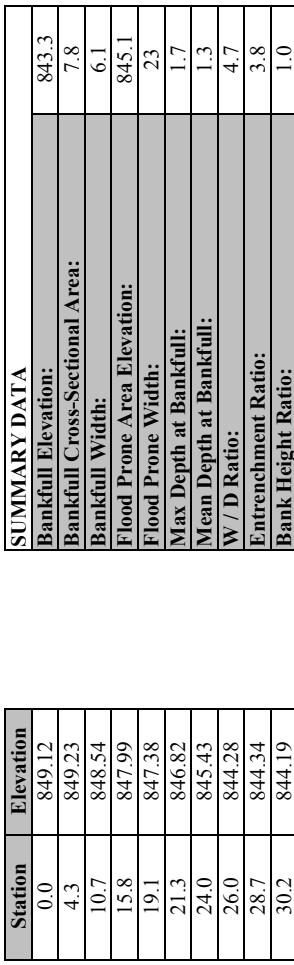
Station	Elevation
0.0	860.12
4.0	859.72
10.0	858.74
12.9	858.42
22.3	856.22
23.7	855.99
26.6	855.59
27.2	854.13
27.9	854.09
28.5	853.58
29.4	853.50
29.6	853.34
30.0	853.16
30.3	853.13
30.6	853.46
30.9	853.42
32.6	854.76
33.1	854.78
35.6	856.13
39.1	856.25
46.5	858.54
48.4	858.90
50.8	859.03

Cape Fear River Basin, Brown Bark Park, MY05, XS - 3, Riffle

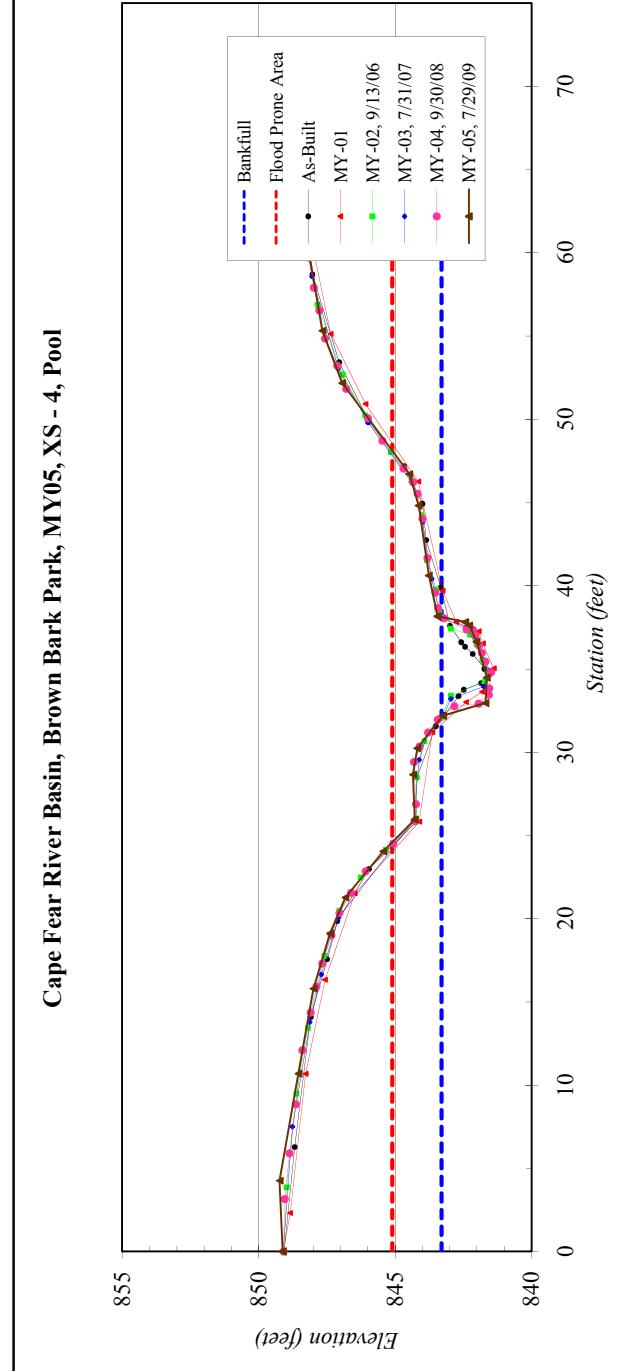




River Basin:	Cape Fear
Watershed:	Brown Bark Park, MY05
XS ID	XS - 4, Pool
Drainage Area (sq mi):	0.3
Date:	7/31/2009
Field Crew:	B. Roberts, K. Knight-Meng



Cape Fear River Basin, Brown Bark Park, MY05, XS - 4, Pool

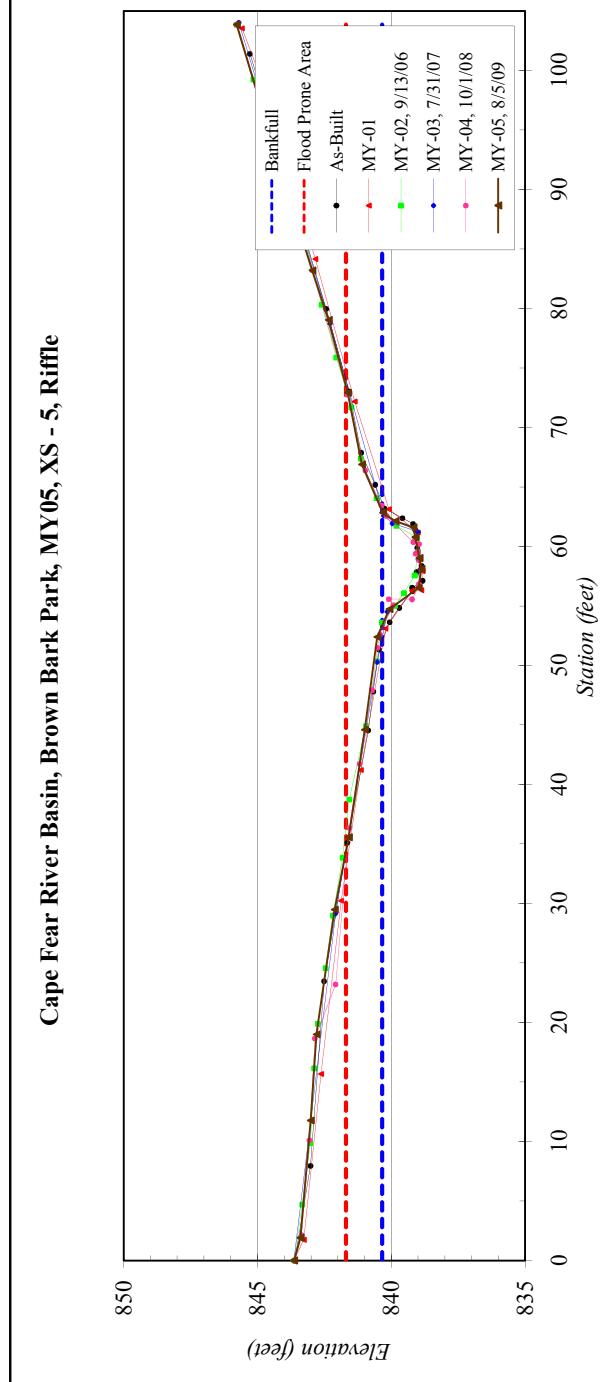


River Basin:	Cape Fear
Watershed:	Brown Bark Park, MY05
XS ID	XS - 5, Riffle
Drainage Area (sq mi):	0.3
Date:	8/5/2009
Field Crew:	B. Roberts, A. Davis

Station	Elevation
0.0	843.63
1.9	843.39
11.8	843.01
19.0	842.79
29.5	842.12
35.6	841.59
44.6	840.99
52.4	840.53
54.7	840.07
56.5	838.99
58.1	838.87
59.0	838.95
60.8	839.10
61.6	839.17
62.1	839.84
62.8	840.31
66.9	841.10
72.9	841.62
79.0	842.34
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103.8	845.77



Cape Fear River Basin, Brown Bark Park, MY05, XS - 5, Riffle

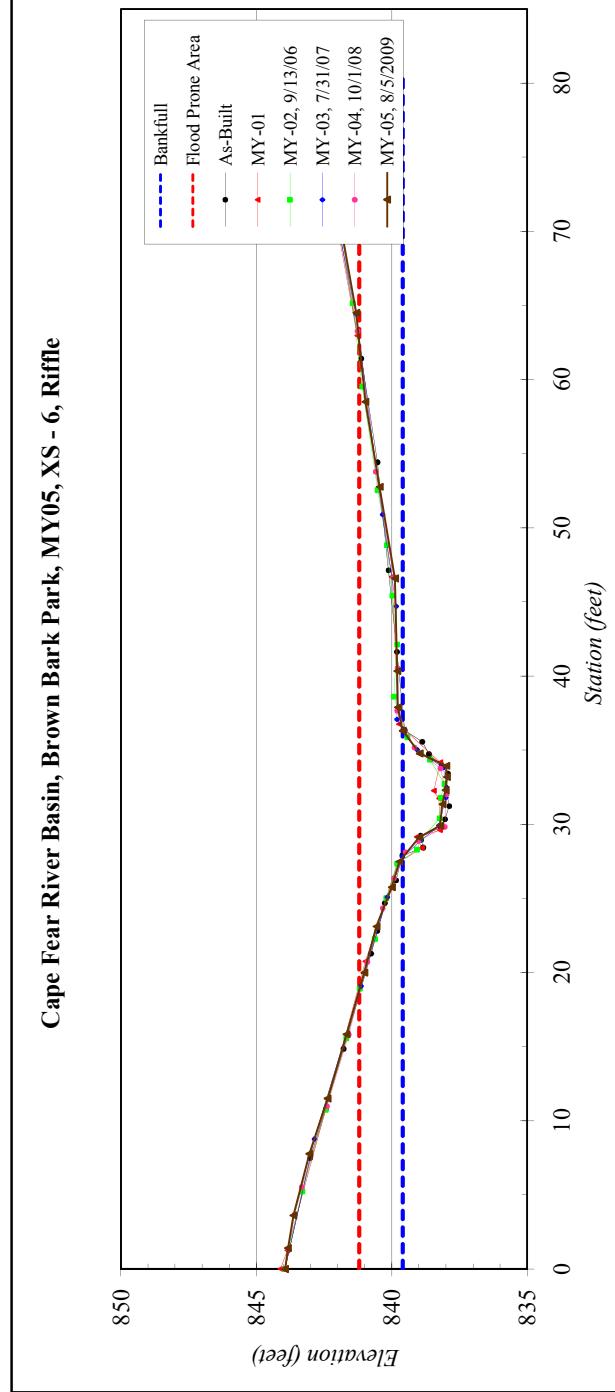


River Basin:	Cape Fear
Watershed:	Brown Bark Park, MY05
XS ID	XS - 6, Riffle
Drainage Area (sq mi):	0.3
Date:	8/5/2009
Field Crew:	B. Roberts, A. Davis



Station	Elevation
0.0	843.94
1.4	843.84
3.6	843.64
7.8	843.04
11.5	842.37
15.8	841.67
20.0	841.02
23.1	840.56
25.8	840.00
27.5	839.72
29.1	838.99
29.9	838.22
31.4	838.13
32.3	838.02
33.2	837.97
33.9	837.99
34.8	838.97
36.3	839.60
37.9	839.78
40.3	839.80
46.6	839.88
52.8	840.45
58.5	840.97
64.5	841.31
74.7	842.31
77.8	842.73
80.6	843.05

Cape Fear River Basin, Brown Bark Park, MY05, XS - 6, Riffle



Longitudinal Profile
Brown Bark Park
EEP Project Number 52 - MY05
Stations 10+00 - 20+00



Longitudinal Profile
Brown Bark Park
EEP Project Number 52 - MY05
Stations 20+00 - 30+00



Longitudinal Profile
Brown Bark Park
EEP Project Number 52 - MY05
Stations 30+00 - 40+00



Pebble Count Plots

