# YEAR 5 (2018) ANNUAL MONITORING REPORT

# PEPPERWOOD FARM RIPARIAN BUFFER MITIGATION SITE

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# 1.0 Executive Summary

This Annual Monitoring Report describes the Pepperwood Farm Riparian Buffer Mitigation Site (Site) and is designed specifically to assist in fulfilling the North Carolina Division of Mitigation Services (NCDMS) riparian buffer mitigation goals within the Neuse 03020201 Watershed. Completed project activities, reporting history, completion dates, project contacts, and project attributes are summarized in Tables 1-4 (Appendix A). This report (compiled based on the NC Division of Mitigation Services (NCDMS) *Procedural Guidance and Content Requirements for DMS Monitoring Reports* Version 1.5 dated 6/8/12) summarizes data for Year 5 (2018) monitoring.

The Site is located approximately 1 mile northeast of Willow Springs and 4 miles northeast of Fuquay-Varina, in Wake County, North Carolina (Figure 1, Appendix A). The project is situated within the Middle Creek watershed (United States Geological Society (USGS) 14-digit Hydrologic Cataloging Unit (HUC) 03020201120010 of the Neuse River Basin and North Carolina Division of Water Resource (NC DWR) Sub-basin 03-04-03). This sub-basin was identified by the 2010 Neuse River Basin Restoration Priorities (NC DWR) as a Targeted Local Watershed (TLW).

The Site encompasses 12.66 acres and is protected in perpetuity by three conservation easements recorded at the Wake County Register of Deeds on 11/25/2013. The Site protects five unnamed tributaries with direct hydrologic connection to Terrible Creek, DWR Stream Index Number 27-43-15-8-(2) and a Best Usage Classification of C, NSW. Prior to restoration activities, riparian areas were cleared of native forest vegetation, heavily degraded by livestock grazing and hoof shear, maintained for hay production, and subject to raw manure fertilization. Streams were straightened, routinely cleared, and subject to storm water runoff from boarding facilities.

The primary goal of this riparian buffer restoration project is to provide **10.70 Neuse River Riparian Buffer Units** (RBMU). The success of this goal is based on the following.

- 1. Removing nonpoint sources of pollution associated with agricultural activities including a) removal of horses from riparian areas; b) eliminating the application of fertilizer, pesticides, and other agricultural materials into and adjacent to streams; and c) establishing a vegetative buffer adjacent to streams to treat surface runoff, which may contain pollutants such as sediment and/or agricultural pollutants from the adjacent landscape.
- 2. Reducing sedimentation onsite and downstream by a) reducing bank erosion associated with vegetation maintenance and b) planting a diverse hardwood vegetative buffer adjacent to Site tributaries.
- 3. Stabilizing stream banks where necessary by sloping channel banks, and installing erosion control matting and livestakes.
- 4. Improving aquatic habitat by enhancing stream bed shading and natural detritus input.
- 5. Providing a terrestrial wildlife corridor and refuge in an area continually being developed for commercial and residential use.
- 6. Restoring and reestablishing natural community structure, habitat diversity, and functional continuity.
- 7. Protecting the Site's full potential of stream and riparian buffer functions and values in perpetuity.

Accomplishing this criterion is a multi-year process. Restoration activities outlined in the Pepperwood Farm Mitigation Plan were implemented during February and March of 2014. Activities included the installation of a shallow marsh treatment area, stabilization of stream banks, planting of riparian areas with bare root hardwood seedlings, removal of livestock from riparian areas, and protecting the Site in perpetuity with a conservation easement. Additionally, the Site has been surveyed and marked per NCDMS guidelines by a licensed NC surveyor.

## **Vegetation Success Criteria**

Success of vegetation criteria at the Site indicates successful restoration of riparian areas adjacent to subject streams as well as improvement of overall water quality resulting from the treatment of runoff from agricultural fields. Success criteria are dependent upon the density and growth of planted tree species.

An average density of 320 stems per acre of planted species must be surviving after five monitoring years in accordance with NC Division of Water Resources Administrative Code 15A NCAC 02B.0242 (*Neuse River Basin: Nutrient Sensitive Waters Management Strategy*).

## 2.0 Methodology

Monitoring of vegetation restoration efforts will follow Level 2 *CVS-DMS Protocol for Recording Vegetation, Version 4.2* (Lee et al. 2008) and will be conducted between June 1 and October 30. Site monitoring will be conducted at thirteen (13) vegetation monitoring plots representing 3.6% of the 10.7 acres of restored buffer. Monitoring reports will be reported to the NC DMS annually for a minimum of 5 years or until success criteria are fulfilled. Monitoring parameters will include species composition and density. Visual observations to ascertain the degree of shrub and herbaceous species, including overtopping of seedlings will be documented with photos and included in the annual monitoring report (Appendix C).

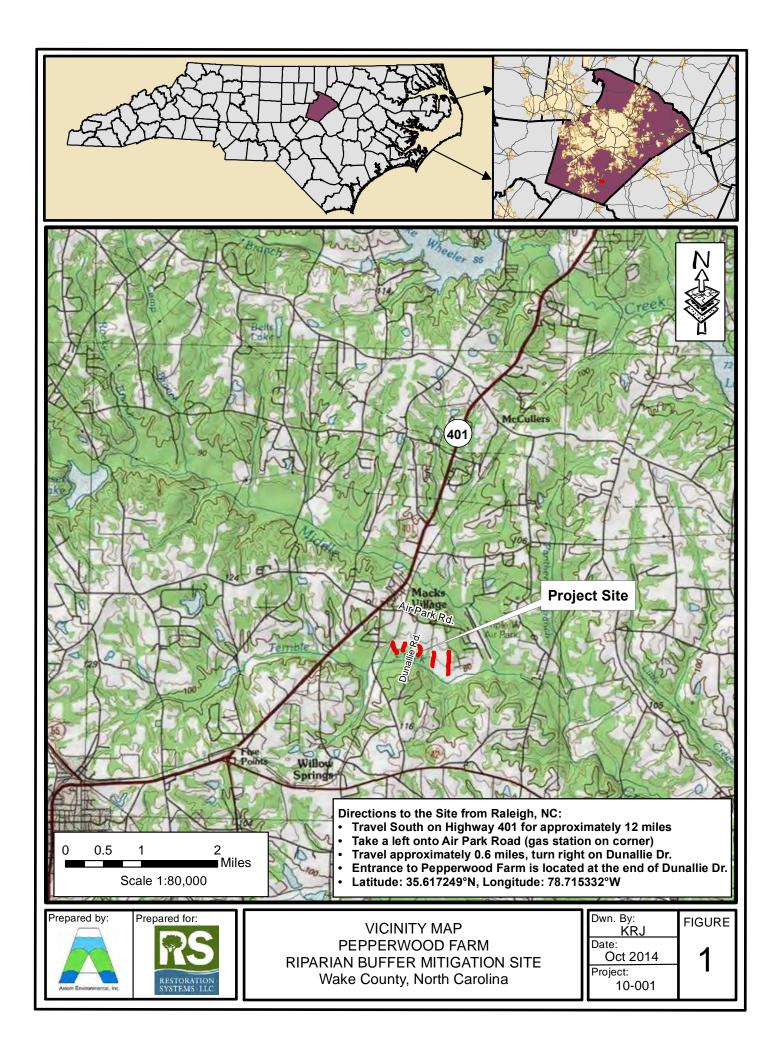
Year 5 (2018) monitoring data was collected in October 2018 by Axiom Environmental and measured an average density of 389 planted stems per acre (excluding livestakes) on Site, with ten out of thirteen CVS monitoring plots exceeding success criteria based on planted stems alone (Appendix C). However, when including natural recruits of sweetgum (*Liquidambar styraciflua*) and eastern baccharis (*Baccharis halimifolia*) in Plot 4, natural recruits of persimmon (*Diospyros virginiana*), eastern red cedar (*Juniperus virginiana*), and water oak (*Quercus nigra*) in Plot 12, and natural recruits of tulip poplar (*Liriodendron tulipifera*) and wax myrtle (*Morella cerifera*) in Plot 13, these plots were well-above success criteria.

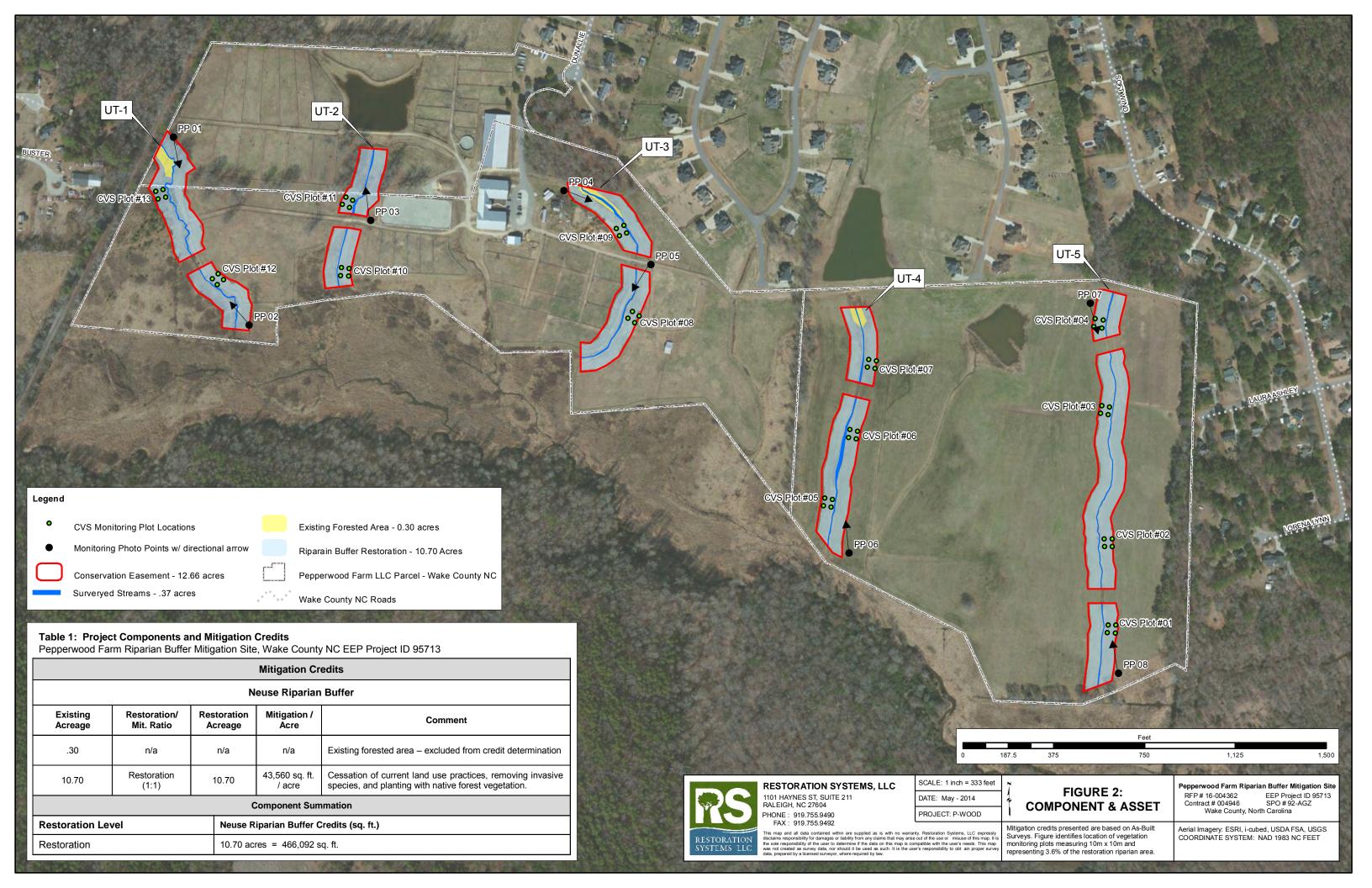
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# Appendix A: Vicinity Map and Background Tables

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**Table 1: Project Components and Mitigation Credits** 

Pepperwood Farm Riparian Buffer Mitigation Site. Wake County NC DMS Project ID 95713

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	Mitigation Credits												
		N	euse Riparian	Buffer									
Existing Acreage	Restoration/ Mit. Ratio	Restoration Acreage	Mitigation / Acre	Comment									
.30	.30 n/a n/a Existing forested area – excluded from credit determination												
10.70	Restoration (1:1)	10.70	43,560 sq. ft. / acre	Cessation of current land use practices, removing invasive species, and planting with native forest vegetation.									
		Co	omponent Sun	nmation									
Restor	ration Level		Neuse Riparian Buffer Credits (sq. ft.)										
Re	storation		10.70 acres = 466,092 sq. ft.										
,	Totals			10.70 acres = 466,092 sq. ft.									

**Table 2: Project Activity and Reporting History**Pepperwood Farm Riparian Buffer Mitigation Site, Wake County NC DMS Project ID 95713

Activity or Report	Data Collection Complete	Completion or Delivery
CE Document	NA	August 13th, 2013
Conservation Easement	NA	November 25 <sup>th</sup> , 2013
Mitigation Plan	NA	January 30th, 2014
Earthwork	NA	March 5 <sup>th</sup> , 2014
Bare Root Planting	NA	March 13th, 2014
Baseline Monitoring Document	March 2014	May 5th, 2014
Year 1 (2014) Annual Monitoring Report	October 2014	October 20th, 2014
Year 2 (2015) Annual Monitoring Report	October 2015	December 2015
Year 3 (2016) Annual Monitoring Report	October 2016	November 2016
Year 4 (2017) Annual Monitoring Report	October 2017	November 2017
Year 5 (2018) Annual Monitoring Report	October 2018	October 2018

**Table 3: Project Contact Table**Pepperwood Farm Riparian Buffer Mitigation Site, Wake County NC DMS Project ID 95713

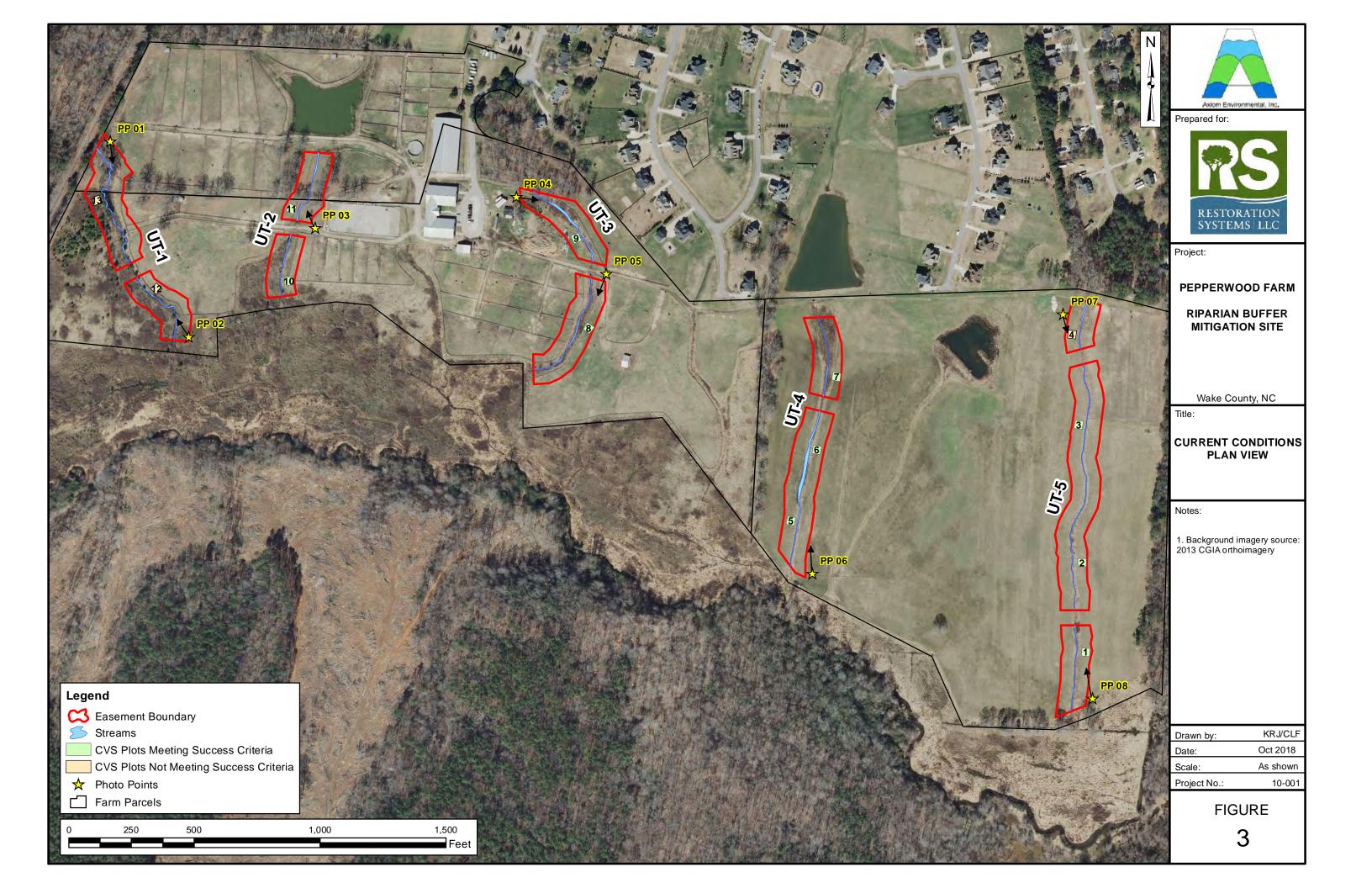
	Firm	POC & Address
Full Delivery Provider	Restoration Systems, LLC	1101 Haynes Street, Suite 211 Raleigh, North Carolina 27604 George Howard and John Preyer 919.755.9490
Designer:	Restoration Systems, LLC	Raymond Holz: 919.755.9490 1101 Haynes Street, Suite 211 Raleigh, North Carolina 27604
Earthwork Contractor:	Land Mechanics, Inc.	Lloyd Glover; 919.422.3392 780 Landmark Road Willow Spring, NC 27592-7756
Planting Contractor:	Carolina Silvics	Mary-Margaret McKinney 252.333.9852 908 Indian Trail Road Edenton, NC 27932
Seeding Contractor:	Land Mechanics, Inc.	Lloyd Glover; 919.422.3392 780 Landmark Road Willow Spring, NC 27592-7756
Nursery Stock Suppliers:	ArborGen	1.888.888.7158
Baseline Data Collection	Axiom Environmental, Inc.	Grant Lewis; 919.215.1693 218 Snow Ave. Raleigh, NC 27603
Vegetation Monitoring:	Axiom Environmental, Inc.	Grant Lewis; 919.215.1693 218 Snow Ave. Raleigh, NC 27603

**Table 4: Project Baseline Information & Attributes Table**Pepperwood Farm Riparian Buffer Mitigation Site, Wake County NC DMS Project ID 95713

	Proje	ect Information										
Project Name		Pepperwood Farm										
County		Wake										
Project Area (acres)		12.66										
Project Coordinates (latitude and	longitude)	35.6172	49°N, -78.715	332°W (NA	D83/WGS84)							
	Project Watersh	ed Summary In	formation									
Physiographic Province			Northern C	Outer Piedmo	ont							
River Basin			N	leuse								
USGS Hydrologic Unit 8-digit	3020201	USGS Hy	drologic Unit	14-digit	3020201120010							
DWR Sub-basin			3/4	1/2003								
Project Drainage Area, Total Out	fall (acres)	285.45										
Project Drainage Area Percentage Area	e of Impervious	> 5%										
	Regulato	ry Considerations										
Regulation		Applicable?	Resolved?	Supportin	ng Documentation							
Waters of the United States – Sec	tion 404	No										
Waters of the United States – Sec	tion 401	No										
Endangered Species Act		No										
Historic Preservation Act		No										
Coastal Zone Management Act [CZM Management Act (CAMA)]	IA/Coastal Area	No										
FEMA Floodplain Compliance		No										
Essential Fisheries Habitat		No										

# Appendix B: Visual Assessment Data

Figure 3. Current Conditions Plan View Table 5. Vegetation Condition Assessment Vegetation Plot Photos Fixed Photo Points



## **Pepperwood**

Table 5
Planted Acreage

#### **Vegetation Condition Assessment**

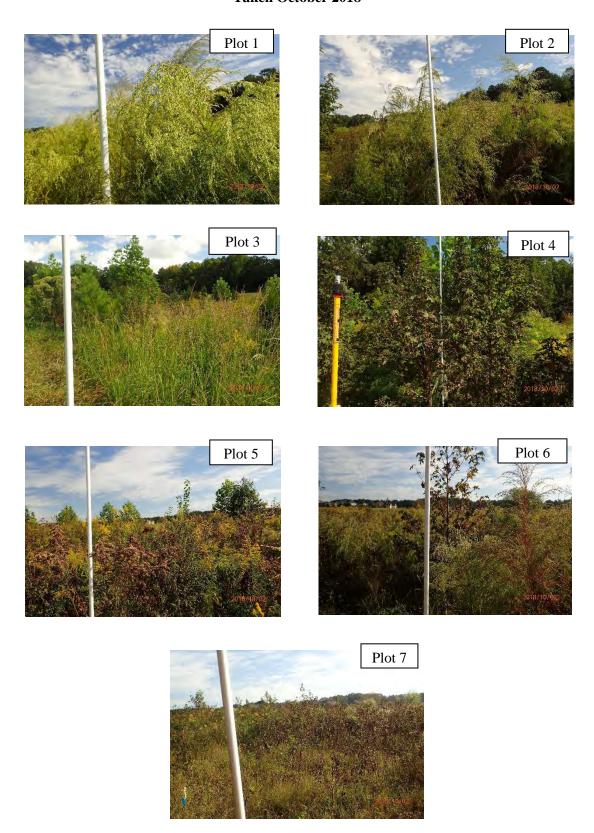
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Vegetation Category	Definitions	Mapping Threshold	CCPV Depiction	Number of Polygons	Combined Acreage	% of Planted Acreage
1. Bare Areas	None	0.1 acres	N/A	0	0.00	0.0%
2. Low Stem Density Areas	None	0.1 acres	N/A	0	0.00	0.0%
			Total		0.00	0.0%
3. Areas of Poor Growth Rates or Vigor	None	0.25 acres	N/A	0	0.00	0.0%
		Cu	mulative Total	0	0.00	0.0%

Easement Acreage <sup>2</sup>	12.66					
Vegetation Category	Definitions	Mapping Threshold	CCPV Depiction	Number of Polygons	Combined Acreage	% of Easement Acreage
4. Invasive Areas of Concern <sup>4</sup>	None	1000 SF	N/A	0	0.00	0.0%
5. Easement Encroachment Areas <sup>3</sup>	None	none	N/A	0	0.00	0.0%

- 1 = Enter the planted acreage within the easement. This number is calculated as the easement acreage minus any existing mature tree stands that were not subject to supplemental planting of the understory, the channel acreage, crossings or any other elements not directly planted as part of the project effort.
- 2 = The acreage within the easement boundaries.
- 3 = Encroachment may occur within or outside of planted areas and will therefore be calculated against the overall easement acreage. In the event a polygon is cataloged into items 1, 2 or 3 in the table and is the result of encroachment, the associated acreage should be tallied in the relevant item (i.e., item 1,2 or 3) as well as a parallel tally in item 5.
- 4 = Invasives may occur in or out of planted areas, but still within the easement and will therefore be calculated against the overall easement acreage. Invasives of concern/interest are listed below. The list of high concern spcies are those with the potential to directly outcompete native, young, woody stems in the short-term (e.g. monitoring period or shortly thereafter) or affect the community structure for existing, more established tree/shrub stands over timeframes that are slightly longer (e.g. 1-2 decades). The low/moderate concern group are those species that generally do not have this capacity over the timeframes discussed and therefore are not expected to be mapped with regularity, but can be mapped, if in the judgement of the observer their coverage, density or distribution is suppressing the viability, or growth of planted woody stems. Decisions as to whether remediation will be needed are based on the projects history will warrant control, but potentially large coverages, distribution is relative to native biomass, and the practicality of treatment. For example, even modest amounts of Kudzu or Japanese Knotweed early in the projects history will warrant control, but potentially large coverages of Microstegium in the herb layer will not likley trigger control because of the limited capacities to impact tree/shrub layers within the timeframes discussed and the potential impacts of treating extensive amounts of ground cover. Those species with the "watch list" designator in gray shade are of interest as well, but have yet to be observed across the state with any frequency. Those in red italics are of particular interest given their extreme risk/threat level for mapping as points where isolated specimens are found, particularly ealry in a projects monitoring history. However, areas of discreet, dense patches will of course be mapped as polygons. The symbology scheme below was one that was found to be helpful for symbolzing invasives polygons, particularly for situations where the condition for an area

# Pepperwood Farm Vegetation Monitoring Photographs Taken October 2018



# Pepperwood Farm Vegetation Monitoring Photographs Taken October 2018 (continued)





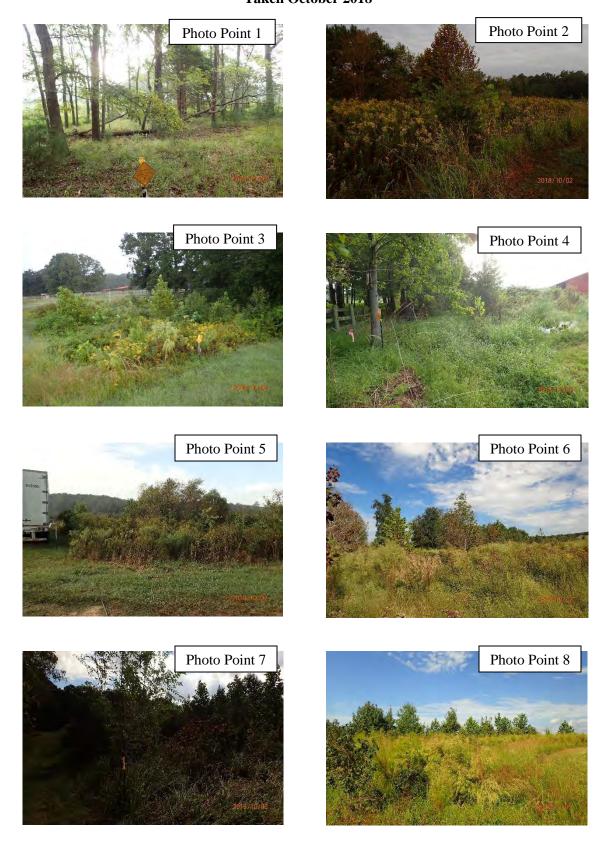








# Pepperwood Farm Fixed Photo Points Taken October 2018



# **Appendix C: Vegetation Plot Data**

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Table 6. Vegetation Plot Criteria Attainment Based on Planted Stems

Pepperwood Farm Riparian Buffer Mitigation Site, Wake County NC DMS Project ID 95713

Vegetation Plot ID	Vegetation Survival Threshold Met?	Tract Mean
1	Yes	
2	Yes	
3	Yes	
4	No*	
5	Yes	
6	Yes	
7	Yes	77%
8	Yes	
9	Yes	
10	Yes	
11	Yes	
12	No**	
13	No***	

<sup>\*</sup> When including natural recruits of sweetgum (Liquidambar styraciflua) and eastern baccharis (Baccharis halimifolia) Plot 4 was well-above success criteria.

**Table 7. CVS Vegetation Plot Metadata** 

Pepperwood Farm Riparian Buffer Mitigation Site, Wake County NC DMS Project ID 95713

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10/26/2018 16:34
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S:\Business\Projects\10\10-001 RS 10 Monitoring\Pepperwood Year 0-5\2018
Year 5\CVS
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Description of database file, the report worksheets, and a summary of project(s)
and project data.
Each project is listed with its PLANTED stems per acre, for each year. This
excludes live stakes.
Each project is listed with its TOTAL stems per acre, for each year. This
includes live stakes, all planted stems, and all natural/volunteer stems.
List of plots surveyed with location and summary data (live stems, dead stems,
missing, etc.).
Frequency distribution of vigor classes for stems for all plots.
Frequency distribution of vigor classes listed by species.
List of most frequent damage classes with number of occurrences and percent
of total stems impacted by each.
Damage values tallied by type for each species.
Damage values tallied by type for each plot.
A matrix of the count of PLANTED living stems of each species for each plot;
dead and missing stems are excluded.
A matrix of the count of total living stems of each species (planted and natural
volunteers combined) for each plot; dead and missing stems are excluded.
123
Pepperwood
Neuse
13

<sup>\*\*</sup>When including natural recruits of persimmon (*Diospyros virginiana*), eastern red cedar (*Juniperus virginiana*), and water oak (*Quercus nigra*) Plot 12 was well-above success criteria.

<sup>\*\*\*</sup>When including natural recruits of tulip poplar (Liriodendron tulipifera) and wax myrtle (Morella cerifera) Plot 13 was well-above success criteria.

Table 8. Total and Planted Stems by Plot and Species Project Code 10-001. Project Name: Pepperwood

	ect Name: Pepperwood		Current Plot Data (MY5 2018)											$\neg$																		
			12	3-01-00	01	12	3-01-00	002	12	3-01-00	03	12	3-01-00	004	12	3-01-00	05	12	3-01-00	006	12	3-01-00	07	12	3-01-00	800	123-01-0009			12 <sup>-</sup>	3-01-0010	
Scientific Name	Common Name	Species Type	PnoLS	P-all	Т	PnoLS	P-all	Т	PnoLS	P-all	T	PnoLS	P-all	Т	PnoLS	P-all	T	PnoLS	P-all	Т	PnoLS	P-all	T	PnoLS	P-all	Т	PnoLS	P-all	Т	PnoLS	P-all T	
Acer negundo	boxelder	Tree																														
Acer rubrum	red maple	Tree																					2									
Baccharis halimifolia	eastern baccharis	Shrub			4			1						1			3			2												3
Betula nigra	river birch	Tree																1	1	1				1	1	1						
Carpinus caroliniana	American hornbeam	Tree													2	2	2										2	2	2	3	3	3
Carya	hickory	Tree																														
Carya cordiformis	bitternut hickory	Tree										1	1	1																		
Carya ovata	shagbark hickory	Tree																														
Celtis	hackberry	Tree																														
Celtis laevigata	sugarberry	Tree	2	2	2			1																			2	2	2			
Diospyros virginiana	common persimmon	Tree									7									1						1						
DONTKNOW: unsure record	ŀ																															
Fraxinus pennsylvanica	green ash	Tree	3	3	3	1	1	1	2	2	2	1	1	1	. 2	2	2	2	2	2										1	1	1
Juniperus virginiana	eastern redcedar	Tree																														
Liquidambar styraciflua	sweetgum	Tree			1			1			4			7						4			6									
Liriodendron tulipifera	tuliptree	Tree				1	1	1	4	4	4	1	1	1	. 1	1	1															
Morella cerifera	wax myrtle	shrub															1															
Pinus taeda	loblolly pine	Tree									4																					
Platanus occidentalis	American sycamore	Tree							1	1	1	1	1	1																		
Prunus serotina	black cherry	Tree						1																								
Quercus	oak	Tree																														
Quercus lyrata	overcup oak	Tree																														1
Quercus michauxii	swamp chestnut oak	Tree	1	1	1	3	3	3	4	4	4							1	1	1										3	3	3
Quercus nigra	water oak	Tree																														
Quercus pagoda	cherrybark oak	Tree													2	2	2	3	3	3	2	2	2	7	7	7	2	2	2			
Quercus phellos	willow oak	Tree	1	1	1							1	1	1				1	1	1				1	1	1						
Quercus rubra	northern red oak	Tree							1	1	1							1	1	1												
Ulmus alata	winged elm	Tree																														
Ulmus americana	American elm	Tree	3	3	3	5	5	5				2	2	2	3	3	3	4	4	7	6	6	7	1	1	1	4	4	4	3	3	3
		Stem count	10	10	15	10	10	14	12	12	27	7	7	15	10	10	14	13	13	23	8	8	17	10	10	11	10	10	10	10	10	14
		size (ares)		1			1			1			1			1			1			1			1			1		1		
		size (ACRES)		0.02			0.02			0.02			0.02			0.02			0.02			0.02			0.02			0.02		0.02		
		Species count	5	5	7	4	4	8	5	5	8	6	6	8	5	5	7	7	7	10	2	2	4	4	4	5	4	4	4	4	4	6
		Stems per ACRE	404.7	404.7	607	404.7	404.7	566.6	485.6	485.6	1093	283.3	283.3	607	404.7	404.7	566.6	526.1	526.1	930.8	323.7	323.7	688	404.7	404.7	445.2	404.7	404.7	404.7	404.7	404.7 566	6.6

# Color for Density

Exceeds requirements by 10% PnoLS = Planted excluding livestakes Exceeds requirements, but by less than 10% P-all = Planting including livestakes Fails to meet requirements, by less than 10%
Fails to meet requirements by more than 10%

T = All planted and natural recruits including livestakes

T includes natural recruits

Table 8. Total and Planted Stems by Plot and Species (Continued)
Project Code 10-001. Project Name: Pepperwood

				Current Plot Data (MY5 2018)															Annua	l Means	S							·	
			12	3-01-00	)11	12	3-01-00	)12	1	23-01-0	013	M	IY5 (201	.8)	M	IY4 (201	L7)	M	Y3 (201	L <b>6</b> )	M	IY2 (20:	15)	M	Y1 (201	.4)	M	Y0 (2014)	<del>,                                    </del>
Scientific Name	Common Name	Species Type	PnoLS	P-all	Т	PnoLS	P-all	Т	PnoLS	P-all	Т	PnoLS	P-all	Т	PnoLS	P-all	Т	PnoLS	P-all	Т	PnoLS	P-all	Т	PnoLS	P-all	Т	PnoLS	P-all T	
Acer negundo	boxelder	Tree															2												
Acer rubrum	red maple	Tree												2						1			1			1			
Baccharis halimifolia	eastern baccharis	Shrub						3			4			21			12			3			7			3			
Betula nigra	river birch	Tree										2	2	2	4	4	5	4	4	4	3	3	, 11	4	4	4	42	42	42
Carpinus caroliniana	American hornbeam	Tree	1	1	1							8	8	8	8	8	8	8	8	8	7	7	7	13	13	13	8	8	8
Carya	hickory	Tree																									5	5	5
Carya cordiformis	bitternut hickory	Tree										1	1	1	2	2	2	2	2	2	3	3	3	5	5	5	6	6	6
Carya ovata	shagbark hickory	Tree																									3	3	3
Celtis	hackberry	Tree																									1	1	1
Celtis laevigata	sugarberry	Tree	1	1	1	. 1	1	1				6	6	7	8	8	8	8	8	8	8	8	8	14	14	14	25	25	25
Diospyros virginiana	common persimmon	Tree						1						10			3			1			4			3			
DONTKNOW: unsure recor	d																							1	1	1	3	3	3
Fraxinus pennsylvanica	green ash	Tree			1	. 3	3	3				15	15	16	17	17	18	19	19	20	20	20	20	19	19	19	23	23	23
Juniperus virginiana	eastern redcedar	Tree						1						1															1
Liquidambar styraciflua	sweetgum	Tree			1						14			38			43			29			84			116			
Liriodendron tulipifera	tuliptree	Tree									5	7	7	12	9	9	9	8	8	9	11	11	12	16	16	17	17	17	17
Morella cerifera	wax myrtle	shrub									3			4			2			4						1			
Pinus taeda	loblolly pine	Tree												4			4			3									
Platanus occidentalis	American sycamore	Tree										2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2							3	3	3
Prunus serotina	black cherry	Tree												1			1			1			3			2			
Quercus	oak	Tree													1	1	2	2	2	3	5	5	, 5	9	9	9	24	24	24
Quercus lyrata	overcup oak	Tree												1															
Quercus michauxii	swamp chestnut oak	Tree	1	1	1	. 2	2	2				15	15	15	15	15	15	14	14	14	15	15	15	15	15	15	9	9	9
Quercus nigra	water oak	Tree						1	. :	1 1	. 1	1	1	2	1	1	1	1	1	1									
Quercus pagoda	cherrybark oak	Tree	2	2	2				4	1 4	. 4	22	22	22	25	25	25	24	24	24	25	25	25	21	21	21	16	16	16
Quercus phellos	willow oak	Tree										4	4	4	3	3	3	3	3	3	1	1	. 1	. 2	2	2	4	4	4
Quercus rubra	northern red oak	Tree			2							2	2	4	3	3	3	3	3	3									
Ulmus alata	winged elm	Tree															1			4			5			3	1	1	1
Ulmus americana	American elm	Tree	6	6	6	1	1	1		2 2	. 2	40	40	44	41	41	49	42	42	42	45	45	47	45	45	45	17	17	17
		Stem count	11	11	15	7	7	13	7	7 7	33	125	125	221	139	139	218	140	140	189	143	143	258	164	164	294	207	207	207
		size (ares)	1			1			1				13			13			13			13			13			13	
		size (ACRES)	0.02			0.02			0.02				0.32			0.32			0.32			0.32			0.32			0.32	
		Species count	5	5	8	4	4	8	3	3 3	7	13	13	22	14	14	22	14	14	22	11	11	17	12	12	19	17	17	17
		Stems per ACRE	445.2	445.2	607	283.3	283.3	526.1	283.3	283.3	1335	389.1	389.1	688	432.7	432.7	678.6	435.8	435.8	588.4	445.2	445.2	803.1	510.5	510.5	915.2	644.4	644.4	544.4

# Color for Density

Exceeds requirements by 10% PnoLS = Planted excluding livestakes

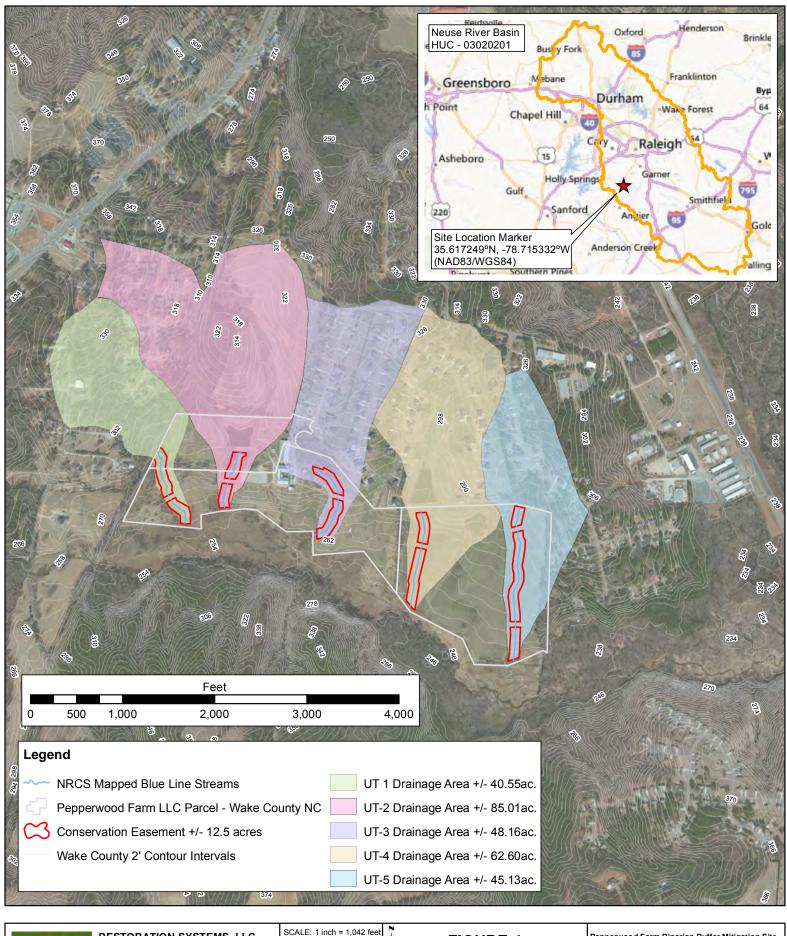
Exceeds requirements, but by less than 10% P-all = Planting including livestakes

T = All planted and natural recruits including livestakes

Fails to meet requirements, by less than 10% T = All planted and natural Fails to meet requirements by more than 10% T includes natural recruits

# Appendix D: Additional Data

Figure 4. Watershed Map Figure 5. NRCS Soils Map Preconstruction Photographs





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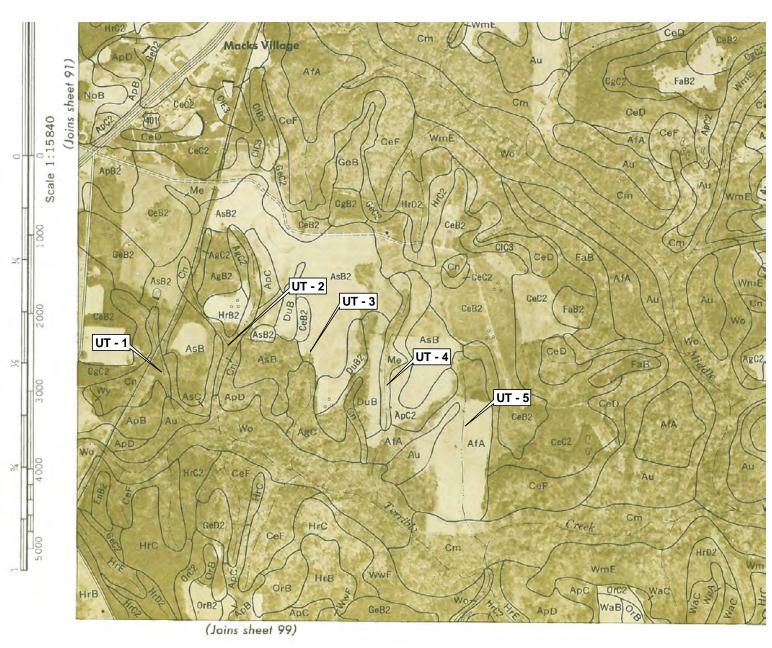
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# FIGURE 4: WATERSHED MAP

Pepperwood Farm Riparian Buffer Mitigation Site RFP # 16-004362 Contract # 004946 EEP Project ID 95713 SPO # 92-AGZ Wake County, North Carolina

Figure indicates estimated project drainage area at the outfall of each tributary.

Aerial Imagery: USGS Topographical Map COORDINATE SYSTEM: NAD 1983 NC FEET



1970 Wake County North Carolina NRCS Soil Manuscript - Map Number 92 - FIGURE NOT TO SCALE



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# FIGURE 5: NRCS Soil Survey

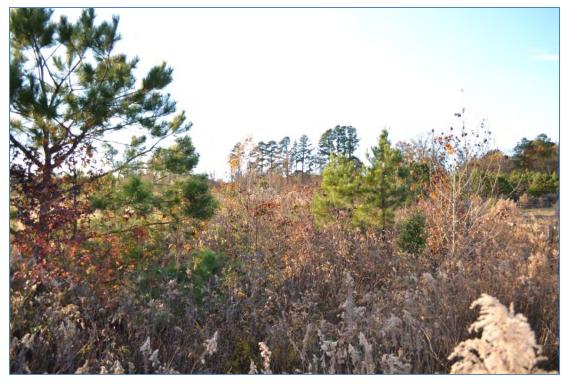
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Figure indicates where the Site physical location is along with directions to the Site

# Preconstruction Photographs



Photo Point 1 – Facing South



**Photo Point 2 – Facing Northwest** 



Photo Point 3 – Facing North



**Photo Point 4 - Facing South** 



Photo Point 5 – Facing North



**Photo Point 6 - Facing South** 





Photo Point 7 Photo Point 8

Appendix E: Herbicide Application Forms

#### CarSilv - 0550

Client	Resto	ration Systems		
Project Site	Peppe	erwood		
Date	06-01	-2018		
Start Time	8:00		End Time	11:00
Only PAL for Site for This Day?		Yes	If NO, this is PAL # of ##	
Sky Cover	Clear		Temp (F)	85
Wind Direction	SW		Wind Speed	1-5 mph
Applicators	Joshu	a G Merritt (NC 026-3371	7)	
Application Method	Basal	Bark		
Herbicide	Garlor	n® 4 (triclopyr)		
Herbicide Rate (%)	15		Total Concentrate	29 fl oz
Surfactant or Adjuvant (1)				
Surfactant/Adjudivant 1 Rate (%)				
Other				
Other Rate/Amt				
Diluent	Diesel	l fuel		
Total Solution	1.5 ga	al.		
Species Controlled	Privet	lora Rose		
Area Description		ord Pear and Sweet Gums privet in the site.	s were around the site sporadically	. Some, but not
Additional Comments				

# Carolina Silvics, Inc. Pesticide Application Log

Client	Restoration Sys	tems		
Project SIte	Pepperwood			
Date	09-08-2017			
Start Time	9:00		End Time	11:00
Only PAL for Site for This Day?	No		If NO, this is PAL # of ##	2 of 2
Sky Cover	Clear		Temp (F)	80
Wind Direction			Wind Speed	Calm
Applicators	Joshua G Merrit Grainger Cough Sebastian Kimlir	trey (NC 026-34)	612)	
Application Method	Cut and Stump	Spray		
Herbicide	Garlon® 3A (tric	lopyr)		
Herbicide Rate (%)	50		Total Concentrate	10 fl oz
Surfactant or Adjuvant (1)				
Surfactant/Adjudivant 1 Rate (%)				
Other				
Other Rate/Amt				
Diluent	Water			
Total Solution	20 fl oz			
Species Controlled	Callery Pear Privet spp.			
Area Description	Very few invasiv	es throughout th	ne site	
Additional Comments				

#### CarSilv - 0470

Client	Resto	ration Systems			
Project Site	Peppe	erwood			
Date	09-08-	-2017			
Start Time	9:00		End Time	11:00	
Only PAL for Site for This Day?		No	If NO, this is PAL # of ##	1 of 2	
Sky Cover	Clear		Temp (F)	80	
Wind Direction			Wind Speed	Calm	
Applicators	Graing	a G Merritt (NC 026-33717 ger Coughtrey (NC 026-346 tian Kimlinger (NC 026-34	612)		
Application Method	Foliar	Spray (Backpack)			
Herbicide	Refug	Refuge® (glyphosate)			
Herbicide Rate (%)	5		Total Concentrate	6.4 fl oz	
Surfactant or Adjuvant (1)	Hel-fir	e®			
Surfactant/Adjudivant 1 Rate (%)	.5				
Other					
Other Rate/Amt					
Diluent	Water				
Total Solution	1 gallo	on			
Species Controlled	Callery Privet				
Area Description	Very fe	ew invasives throughout th	ne site		
Additional Comments					

# Carolina Silvics, Inc. Pesticide Application Log

Client	Restoration Systems				
Project Site	Pepperwood				
Date	04-07-2017				
Start Time	9:00	End Time	11:30		
Only PAL for Site for This Day?	Yes	If NO, this is PAL # of ##			
Sky Cover	Cloudy	Temp (F)	53		
Wind Direction	WNW	Wind Speed	6-10 mph		
Applicators	Grainger Coughtrey (NC 026 Sebastian Kimlinger (NC 026				
Application Method	Basal Bark				
Herbicide	Garlon® 4 (triclopyr)				
Herbicide Rate (%)	15	Total Concentrate	76 fl oz		
Surfactant or Adjuvant (1)					
Surfactant/Adjudivant 1 Rate (%)					
Other					
Other Rate/Amt					
Diluent	Diesel fuel				
Total Solution	4 gallons				
Species Controlled	Autumn Olive Callery Pear Privet spp. Multiflora Rose Sweetgum				
Area Description	Located on a horse farm.				
Additional Comments		as been well controlled from previous e species and the site was easy to wa			

#### CarSilv - 0354

Client	Restoration Systems		
Project SIte	Pepperwood		
Date	11-15-2016		
Start Time	8:00	End Time	11:30
Only PAL for Site for This Day?	Yes	If NO, this is PAL # of ##	
Sky Cover	Clear	Temp (F)	58
Wind Direction	WSW	Wind Speed	1-5 mph
Applicators	Joshua G Merritt (NC 026-3371 Grainger Coughtrey (NC 026-34 Sebastian Kimlinger (NC 026-34	612)	
Application Method	Basal Bark		
Herbicide	Garlon® 4 (triclopyr)		
Herbicide Rate (%)	15	Total Concentrate	152 fl oz
Surfactant or Adjuvant (1)			
Surfactant/Adjudivant 1 Rate (%)			
	Blue Dye		
(%)	Blue Dye		
(%) Other	·		
(%) Other Other Rate/Amt	1 fl oz		
Other Other Rate/Amt Diluent	1 fl oz Water		
Other Other Rate/Amt Diluent Total Solution	1 fl oz  Water  8 gallons  Privet spp. Sweet Gum  Did a complete walk through of	the site. The density of sweet gun treatment. Privet was under contro	

# Carolina Silvics, Inc. Pesticide Application Log

Client	Restor	ation Systems		
Project Site	Peppe	rwood		
Date	07-20-	2016		
Start Time	7:30		End Time	10:00
Only PAL for Site for This Day?		Yes	If NO, this is PAL # of ##	
Sky Cover	Clear		Temp (F)	83
Wind Direction	WSW		Wind Speed	Calm
Applicators		a G Merritt (NC 026-33717 er Sutton	")	
Application Method	Foliar	Spray (Backpack)		
Herbicide	Other	(see comments)		
Herbicide Rate (%)	15		Total Concentrate	80 fl oz
Surfactant or Adjuvant (1)				
Surfactant/Adjudivant 1 Rate (%)				
Other		Blue Dye		
Other Rate/Amt	1 fl oz			
Diluent	Diesel	fuel		
Total Solution	4 gallo	ns		
Species Controlled	Callery Privet Multifle Sweet	spp. ora Rose		
Area Description	promir		it easement where the sweet gum ery thorough but not all of the tree asity of sweet gums.	
Additional Comments	Chemi	cal used was Garlon 4 (tric	clopyr)	

#### CarSilv - 0235

Client	Resto	ration Systems		
Project SIte	Peppe	erwood		
Date	07-19-	-2016		
Start Time	9:30		End Time	14:00
Only PAL for Site for This Day?		Yes	If NO, this is PAL # of ##	
Sky Cover	Clear		Temp (F)	98
Wind Direction	WNW		Wind Speed	Calm
Applicators		a G Merritt (NC 026-33717 er Sutton	7)	
Application Method	Basal	Bark		
Herbicide	Other	(see comments)		
Herbicide Rate (%)	15		Total Concentrate	152 fl oz
Surfactant or Adjuvant (1)				
Surfactant/Adjudivant 1 Rate (%)				
Other		Blue Dye		
Other Rate/Amt	1 fl oz			
Diluent	Diesel	fuel		
Total Solution	8 gallo	ons		
Species Controlled	Callery			
Area Description		eated most of the sweet guesity of sweet gums in the	ums in the far west easement. The is area.	ere was a very
Additional Comments	Chemi	ical used was Garlon 4 (tri	clopyr)	

## Carolina Silvics, Inc. Pesticide Application Log

Client	Restor	ration Systems		
Project Site	Peppe	rwood		
Date	03-14-	-2016		
Start Time	10:00		End Time	15:00
Only PAL for Site for This Day?		Yes	If NO, this is PAL # of ##	
Sky Cover	Partly	Cloudy	Temp (F)	70
Wind Direction	Е		Wind Speed	Calm
Applicators	Willian Joel W	n A Skinner (NC 026-32003 /ise	3/VA 129456)	
Application Method	Foliar	Spray (ATV - Broadcast)		
Herbicide	Oust®	XP (sulfometuron methyl)		
Herbicide Rate (%)			Total Concentrate	18oz
Surfactant or Adjuvant (1)				
Surfactant/Adjudivant 1 Rate (%)				
Other		Grounded (deposition ag	gent)	
Other Rate/Amt	8oz/ac	;		
Diluent	Water			
Total Solution	87.5 g	al		
Species Controlled	fescue	•		
Area Description				
Additional Comments	Oust®	application rate was 3oz/	ac	