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1.0 SUMMARY

This Annual Report details the monitoring activities during the 2007 growing season on the UT to Barnes Creek Wetland and Stream Restoration Site (“Site”). Construction of the Site, including planting of trees, was completed in March 2006. In order to document project success, four vegetation monitoring plots, eight permanent cross-sections, longitudinal profiles surveys, one rain gauge, two crest gauges and eight hydrologic monitoring gauges were installed and assessed across the restoration site. The 2007 data represents results from the second year of vegetation and hydrologic monitoring for both wetlands and streams.

Prior to restoration wetland, stream, and buffer functions on the site were impaired as a result of agricultural conversion. Streams flowing through the site were channelized many years ago to reduce flooding and provide drainage for adjacent farm fields. After construction it was determined that 1.38 acres of riverine wetlands and 3,916 linear feet (LF) of stream were restored, and 3.14 acres of riverine wetlands were enhanced.

Weather station data from the NUWH - Uwharrie (Troy, NC) were used in conjunction with a manual rain gauge located on the site to document precipitation amounts. The manual gauge is used to validate observations made at the automated station. The year 2007 experienced rainfall totals below average resulting drought conditions for the monitoring period.

Four vegetation monitoring plots 100 m² (10m x 10m) in size were used to predict survivability of the woody vegetation planted on site. The vegetation monitoring indicated an average survivability of over 444 stems per acre, which is greater than the initial vegetation survival criteria of 320 stems per acre surviving after the third growing season.

Dimension, pattern, profile and in-stream structures remained stable during the first growing season. No bankfull events were recorded or observed during the 2007 monitoring conducted from August through November 2007. No repairs have been necessary during the first growing season and no areas of concern have been noted.

In 2007, monitoring data indicated that all automated monitoring gauges met the minimum success criteria of 12 consecutive days of groundwater saturation (water table within 12” of ground surface).

2.0 PROJECT BACKGROUND

The UT to Barnes Creek Restoration Project is located north of Troy in Montgomery County, North Carolina (Figure 1). The site lies in the Yadkin River Basin within the North Carolina Division of Water Quality (NCDWQ) sub-basin 03-07-09 and United States Geologic Survey (USGS) hydrologic unit 03040103050080. The site has a history of pasture and general agricultural usage. The unnamed tributary (UT) and a tributary described as the Harris Tributary had been channelized and riparian vegetation was cleared during agricultural practices. Cattle were allowed to graze on the banks and access the channels. Stream and riparian functions on the site are severely impacted as a result of agricultural conversion.

The project involved the restoration of 1.38 acres of riverine wetlands, enhancement of 3.14 acres of riverine wetlands, and restoration of 3,916 linear feet (LF) of stream along UT to Barnes and Harris Tributary. Figure 2 summarizes the restoration and enhancement zones on the project site.

2.1 Project Location

The UT to Barnes Creek Restoration Project is located north of Troy in Montgomery County, North Carolina.

2.2 Mitigation Goals and Objectives

The specific goals for the UT to Barnes Creek Restoration Project were as follows:

- Restoration of 3,916 LF of stream channel.
- Restoration of 1.38 acres of riverine wetlands.
- Enhancement of 3.14 acres of existing riverine wetlands.
- Improve the water quality in the Barnes Creek watershed by fencing cattle out of the stream and reducing bank erosion
- Improvement of floodplain functionality by matching floodplain elevations with the bankfull stage.
- Establishment of native wetland and floodplain vegetation within the conservation easement.
- Improve in-stream and riparian habitat by creating deeper pools, areas of re-aeration, planting a riparian buffer, and reducing bank erosion.
- Realization of significant water quality benefits.

2.3 Project Description and Restoration Approach

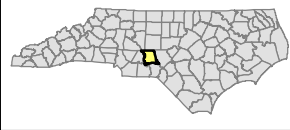
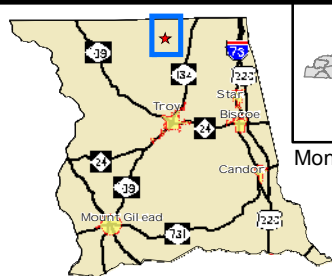
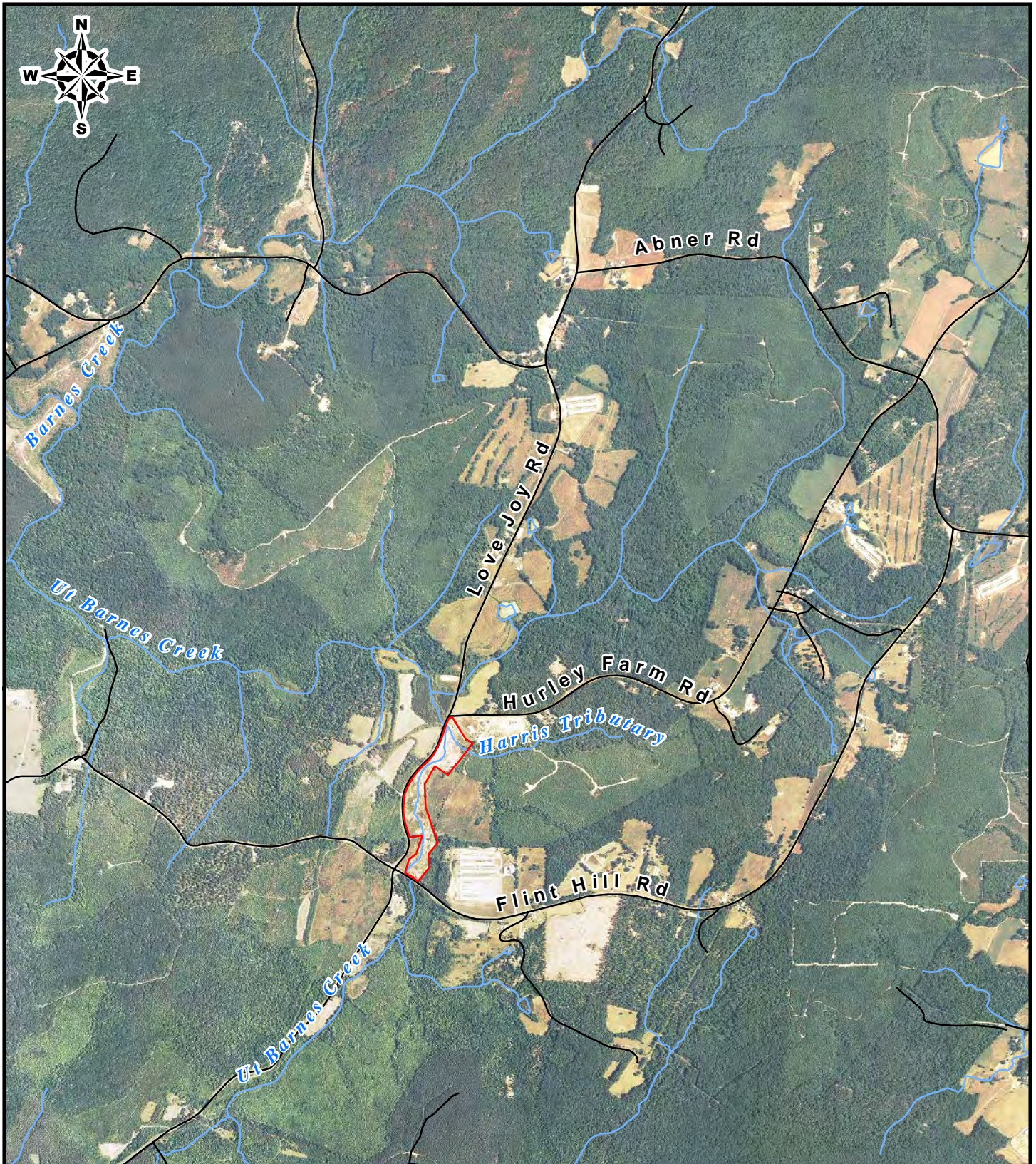
For analysis and design purposes, the on-site streams were divided into three reaches: two reaches along the main stem of UT to Barnes Creek (Hurley and Harris Reaches) and a small tributary referred to as the Harris Tributary. The UT begins off site and enters the site from the south via two 72” RCP culverts under Flint Hill Road. The stream flows across the site from south to north through a conservation easement on the Hurley property and then through a conservation easement on the Harris property. The Harris Tributary enters on the northeast corner of the site and flows to the northwest and ends at its confluence with the UT. The UT then exits the site to the northwest via a 72” CMP culvert under Love Joy Road. After exiting the project site, the UT flows approximately 8,500 linear feet to its confluence with Barnes Creek.

Wetland functions on the site were degraded as a result of agricultural conversion. The stream had been straightened and had incised slightly which dropped the water table within the wetlands. The wetlands were also drained by small ditches in order to promote agricultural production in areas that would normally have been determined unsuitable.

The design for the restored streams involved the construction of new meandering channels across the agricultural field. The stream types for the designed streams were Rosgen “C” channels with dimensions modeled after a stable reference reach. Wetland restoration on the site involved raising the local water table and restoring a natural flooding regime. The streams through the site were restored to a stable dimension, pattern, and profile, such that

riverine wetland functions were restored to the adjacent hydric soil areas. Drainage ditches within the restoration areas were filled to decrease surface and subsurface drainage and raise the local water table. Total stream length across the UT to Barnes Creek Restoration Project was increased from approximately 3,412 LF to 3,916 LF. Table 1 summarizes the design approach for the streams and wetlands.

The design allows stream flows larger than bankfull flows to access the floodplain, which dissipates flow energies and reduces stress on stream banks. In-stream structures were used to control streambed grade, reduce stresses on stream banks, and promote bed form sequences and habitat diversity. The in-stream structures consisted of root-wads, log vanes, a cross vane, a rock vane, rock weirs and log weirs, which promote a diversity of habitat features in the restored channel. Where grade control was a consideration, constructed riffles or rock weirs were installed to provide long-term stability. Stream banks were stabilized using a combination of erosion control matting, bare-root planting, brush mattresses, and transplants. Native riparian vegetation was planted across the site and the entire restoration site is protected through a permanent conservation easement.



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Legend

- Project Site Boundary
- Roads
- ~ Streams

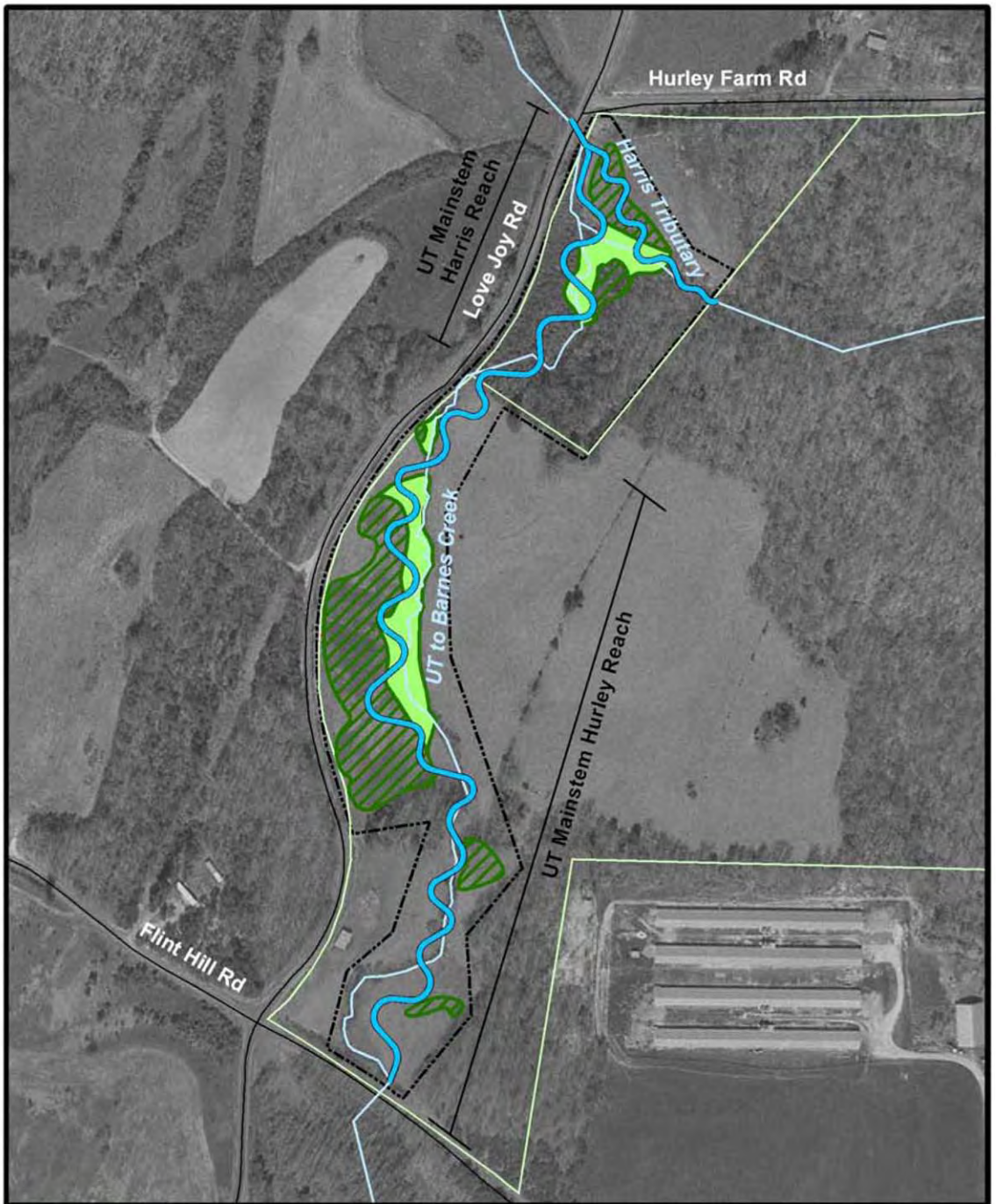
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**UT Barnes Stream and Wetland
 Restoration Project**

Site Location Map

2006 Aerial Photography
 Source: USDA/ FSA

Figure 1



Map Inset

LEGEND

- | | | |
|--------------------------|-----------------|-----------------------------------------|
| Thalweg Alignment | Wetlands | State of North Carolina Property |
| Existing | Existing | State of North Carolina Property |
| Proposed | As Built | Parcels |
| | | Streets |

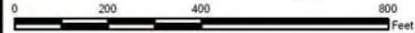


Figure 2: Restoration Approach for UT to Barnes Creek Mitigation Site



Hurley Farm Rd

VP-1

AW-2
B6512FC

AW-1
A28A3CD

VP-2

Love Joy Rd

P56 Beaver Lodge

P52 Beaver Dam

AW-3
AB35483

MW-1

P63 Beaver Lodge

P58 Beaver Dam

AW-4
A28B2D5

Rain Gauge

MW-2

VP-3

MW-3

MW-4

VP-4

Flint Hill Rd

**UT To Barnes
Stream and Wetland
Restoration Project
Current Conditions Plan View**

Montgomery County

Scale: 1" = 200'
2006 USDA/FSA Aerial Photography

Legend

Gauge Success Criteria

- > 12.5%
- < 12.5%
- Rain Gauge

Vegetation Monitoring

- > 320
- < 320

- Beaver Activity Pictures
- Thalweg
- Site Boundary

0 200 400 600 800 Feet

Figure 3

Table 1. Design Approach for UT to Barnes Creek Restoration Site

UT Barnes Restoration Site: Project No. 040614201A					
Project Segment or Reach ID	Mitigation Type*	Approach**	Linear Footage or Acreage	Stationing	Comment
Mainstem (Harris and Hurley Reaches)	R	P1&P2	3305 LF	10+00 to 43+05	Channelization
Harris Tributary	R	P2	611 LF	10+00 to 16+11	Channelization
Wetland Enhancement	E	-	3.14 ac		
Wetland Restoration	R	-	1.38 ac		
Total linear ft of channel restored			3,916 LF		
Total acres of wetlands restored			1.38 ac		

* R = Restoration
 E = Enhancement
 S = Stabilization
 **P1 = Priority I
 P2 = Priority II
 P3 = Priority III
 EI = Enhancement I
 EII = Enhancement II

2.4 Project History and Background

The chronology of the UT to Barnes Creek Restoration Project is presented in Table 2. The contact information for all designers, contractors, and relevant suppliers is presented in Table 3. Relevant project background information is presented in Table 4.

Table 2. Project Activity and Reporting History

UT to Barnes Restoration Site : Project No. 040614201A			
Activity or Report	Scheduled Completion	Data Collection Complete	Actual Completion or Delivery
Restoration Plan Prepared	Mar-04	N/A	N/A
Restoration Plan Amended	N/A	N/A	N/A
Restoration Plan Approved			
Final Design– (at least 90% complete)	Mar-05		Jul-05
Construction Begins	Apr-05		Dec-05
Temporary S&E mix applied to entire project area	N/A	N/A	Mar-06
Permanent seed mix applied to entire project area	N/A	N/A	Mar-06
Planting of live stakes	N/A	N/A	Mar-06
Planting of bare root trees	N/A	N/A	Mar-06
End of Construction	Jul-05	N/A	Mar-06
Survey of As-built conditions (Year 0 Monitoring-baseline)	Sep-05	Jun-06	Jul-06
Year 1 Monitoring	Nov-06	Oct-06	Mar-07
Year 2 Monitoring	Nov-07	Nov-07	Jan-08
Year 3 Monitoring	Nov-08	Unknown	Unknown
Year 4 Monitoring	Nov-09	Unknown	Unknown
Year5 Monitoring	Nov-10	Unknown	Unknown

Table 3. Project Contact Table

UT to Barnes Restoration Site : Project No. 040614201A	
Principal Contractor	
NCEEP	1652 Mail Service Center Raleigh, NC 27699 Contact: Melonie Allen, Tel. 919-368-9352
Designer	
Baker Engineering	1447 South Tryon, Suite 200 Charlotte, NC 28203
Construction Contractor	
North State Environmental, Inc.	2889 Lowery Street Winston-Salem, NC 27101 Contact:Darrell Westmoreland, Tel. 336-725-2010
Planting Contractor	
North State Environmental, Inc.	2889 Lowery Street Winston-Salem, NC 27101 Contact:Darrell Westmoreland, Tel. 336-725-2010
Seeding Contractor	
North State Environmental, Inc.	2889 Lowery Street Winston-Salem, NC 27101 Contact:Darrell Westmoreland, Tel. 336-725-2010
Seed Mix Sources Nursery Stock Suppliers	Green Resource, 336-855-6363 International Paper, 1-888-888-7159
First Year Monitoring Performers	
Baker Engineering Stream Monitoring Point of Contact: Wetland Monitoring Point of Contact: Vegetation Monitoring Point of Contact:	1447 South Tryon, Suite 200 Charlotte, NC 28203 Aaron Earley, Tel. 704-334-4454 Aaron Earley, Tel. 704-334-4454 Aaron Earley, Tel. 704-334-4454
Second Year Monitoring Performers	
Rummel, Klepper, and Kahl, LLP Stream Monitoring Point of Contact: Wetland Monitoring Point of Contact: Vegetation Monitoring Point of Contact:	900 Ridgefield Drive, Suite 350 Raleigh, NC 27609 Howard Woodall, Tel. 919-878-9560 Howard Woodall, Tel. 919-878-9560 Howard Woodall, Tel. 919-878-9560

Future monitoring performers unknown.

Table 4. Project Background Table

UT to Barnes Creek Restoration Site : Project No. 040614201A	
Project County:	Montgomery County, NC
Drainage Area: UT to Barnes (Harris & Hurley Reaches) 2.0 mi ² Harris Tributary 0.18 mi ²	2.0 i m ² 0.18 m ²
Estimated Drainage % Impervious Cover: UT to Barnes (Harris & Hurley Reaches) < 5% Harris Tributary < 5%	<5% <5%
Stream Order: UT to Barnes (Harris & Hurley Reaches) Harris Tributary	2 1
Physiographic Region	Piedmont
Ecoregion	Carolina Slate Belt
Rosgen Classification of As-Built	
UT to Barnes (Harris & Hurley Reaches)	C
Harris Tributary	C
Cowardin Classification	Riverine, Upper Perennial, Unconsolidated Bottom, Cobble-Gravel
Dominant Soil Types UT to Barnes (Harris & Hurley Reaches) Harris Tributary	Chenneby Silt Loam & Herndon Silt Loam Chenneby Silt Loam
Reference site ID	Spencer Creek & UT to Spencer Creek
USGS HUC for Project and Reference sites	3040103050080
NCDWQ Sub-basin for Project and Reference	03-07-09
NCDWQ classification for Project and Reference	
UT to Barnes (Harris & Hurley Reaches) C	C
Harris Tributary C	C
Spencer Creek C	C
Any portion of any project segment 303d listed?	No
Any portion of any project segment upstream of a 303d listed segment?	No
Reasons for 303d listing or stressor?	N/A
% of project easement fenced	100%

2.5 Project Plan

Plans depicting the as-built conditions of the major project elements, location of permanent monitoring cross-sections, locations of hydrologic monitoring stations, and locations of permanent vegetation monitoring plots are presented in Figure 3(c), Figure 3(d), Figure 3(e), Figure 3(f), and Figure 3(h) of this report.

3.0 VEGETATION MONITORING

3.1 Soil Data

The preliminary soil data for the project site is presented in Table 5.

Table 5. Preliminary Soil Data for Project

UT to Barnes Creek Restoration Site : Project No. 040614201A					
Series	Max Depth (in)	% Clay on	Surface K	T	OM %
Chenneby Silt Loam, 1 to 2 percent slopes	72	12-27	0.37	5	0.5-3
Herndon Silt Loam, 15 to 25 percent slopes	68	5-27	0.43	5	0.5-1

General taxonomy of soils*:

Chenneby Silt Loam: This soil type occurs on slopes from 1 to 2 percent in areas frequently flooded and generally has a very deep soil profile, somewhat poorly drainage, moderate permeability, and a very shallow depth to the seasonal high water table.

Herndon Silt Loam: This unit is well drained and well suited for pastureland and occurs on slopes between 15 to 25 percent.

* Source: Montgomery County Soil Survey, USDA-NRCS, 1968

3.2 Description of Vegetation Monitoring

As a final stage of construction, the stream margins and riparian area of the Site were planted with bare root trees, live stakes, and a seed mixture of permanent ground cover herbaceous vegetation. The woody vegetation was planted six to eight feet on center in a random distribution from the top of the streambanks to the outer edge of the project's revegetation limits. The woody and herbaceous species planted at the site are shown in Table 6. The seed mix of herbaceous species applied to the project's riparian area included bushy seedbox (*Ludwigia alternifolia*), little bluestem (*Schizachyrium scoparium*), wool grass (*Scirpus cyperinus*), river oats (*Uniola latifolia*), white clover (*Trifolium repens*), fringed sedge (*Carex crinata*), soft rush (*Juncus effusus*), Virginia wild rye (*Elymus virginica*), and switchgrass (*Panicum virgatum*). This seed mixture was broadcast on the site at a rate of 21 pounds per acre. All planting was completed in the spring of 2006. The taxonomic standard used was "Flora of the Carolinas, Virginia, Georgia, and surrounding areas" by: Alan S. Weakley. The DOT Stem counting protocol was used to sample vegetation monitoring plots.

Table 6. Tree Species Planted in the UT to Barnes Restoration Area

UT to Barnes Creek Restoration Site : Project No. 040614201A			
Scientific Name	Common Name	Percent Planted by Species	Total Number of Stems
Riparian Woody Vegetation			
<i>Quercus michauxii</i>	Swamp chestnut oak	1.3	90
<i>Quercus nigra</i>	Water oak	16.4	1,167
<i>Acer negundo</i>	Box elder	4.9	350
<i>Betula nigra</i>	River birch	14.8	1,050
<i>Platanus occidentalis</i>	Sycamore	14.8	1,050
<i>Alnus serrulata</i>	Tag Alder	11.6	822
<i>Carpinus caroliniana</i>	Ironwood	11.6	822
<i>Cornus amomum</i>	Silky dogwood	7.4	530
<i>Lindera benzoin</i>	Spicebush	7.4	530
<i>Viburnum dentatum</i>	Arrowwood	9.9	704
Hillside Woody Vegetation			
<i>Carya cordiformis</i> 1.2%	Bitternut hickory	1.2	35
<i>Quercus falcata</i>	Southern red oak	17.1	510
<i>Acer rubrum</i>	Red maple	8.5	252
<i>Liquidambar styraciflua</i>	Sweetgum	8.5	252
<i>Quercus alba</i>	White oak	16.0	475
<i>Carpinus caroliniana</i>	Ironwood	8.4	250
<i>Corylus americana</i>	Hazelnut	8.4	250
<i>Diospyros virginiana</i>	Persimmon	7.6	227
<i>Symphoricarpos orbiculatus</i>	Coralberry	7.6	227
<i>Calycanthus floridus</i>	Sweetshrub	8.4	250
<i>Viburnum dentatum</i>	Arrowwood	8.4	250
Native Herbaceous Species for Restored Stream Banks and Riverine Wetland Areas			
<i>Ludwigia alternifolia</i>	Bushy seedbox	25.00	500
<i>Schizachyrium scoparium</i>	Little bluestem	25.00	500
<i>Scirpus cyperinus</i>	Wool grass	25.00	500
<i>Uniola latifolia</i>	River oats	25.00	500
Native Grass Species for Stream Banks and Buffers			
<i>Trifolium repens</i>	White clover	5.0	n/a
<i>Carex crinata</i>	Fringed sedge	15.0	n/a
<i>Juncus effusus</i>	Soft rush	30.0	n/a
<i>Elymus virginica</i>	Virginia wild rye	20.0	n/a
<i>Panicum virgatum</i>	Switchgrass	30.0	n/a
Woody Vegetation for Live Stakes			
<i>Salix nigra</i>	Black willow	2.9	450
<i>Cornus amomum</i>	Silky dogwood	32.4	5,100
<i>Sambucus canadensis</i>	Elderberry	32.4	5,100
<i>Salix sericea</i>	Silky willow	32.4	5,100

At the time of planting, four vegetation plots were delineated onsite to monitor survival of the planted woody vegetation. Each vegetation plot is 10 by 10 meters in size. All of the planted stems inside the plot were flagged to distinguish them from any colonizing individuals and to facilitate locating them in the future.

3.3 Vegetation Success Criteria

To define vegetation success criteria objectively, specific goals for woody vegetation density have been defined. Data from vegetation monitoring plots should display a surviving tree density of at least 320 trees per acre at the end of the third year of monitoring, and a surviving tree density of at least 260 five year-old trees per acre at the end of the five year monitoring period. Although the select native canopy species planted throughout the site are the target woody vegetation cover, up to 20 percent of the site's established woody vegetation at the end of the monitoring period may be comprised of invading species. Remedial action may be required should these invading species (i.e. loblolly pine, red maple, sweet gum, etc.) colonize too aggressively, exceeding 20 percent of the total stem count at the site.

3.4 Results of Vegetative Monitoring

The survival success of woody vegetation at each monitoring plot is presented in Table 7. The survival success of woody vegetation shows the Year 1 tree density is greater than the minimum goal of 320 stems per acre for the end of Year 3 monitoring period.

Table 7. Density of Planted Trees for the Four Vegetation Sampling Plots

UT to Barnes Creek Restoration Site : Project No. 040614201A					
Sampling Plot No.	Counted Stems per Plot AS-BUILT	Stems per Acre (extrapolated) AS-BUILT	Counted Stems per Plot YEAR 2	Stems per Acre (extrapolated) YEAR 2	% Survival
BC1	20	809	14	566	70
BC2	24	971	12	485	50
BC3	18	729	6	242	33
BC4	18	729	12	485	66
Average	20	810	45	445	54.75

Table 8 presents stem counts of surviving individuals found at each of the monitoring stations at the end of Year 2 of the post-construction monitoring period. Trees within each monitoring plot are flagged regularly to prevent planted trees from losing their identifying marks due to flag degradation. It is important for trees within the monitoring plots to remain marked to ensure they are all accounted for during the annual stem counts and calculation of tree survivability.

Table 8. Year 2 (2007) Stem Counts for Each Species Arranged by Plot

UT to Barnes Restoration Site : Project No. 040614201A					
Tree Species	Plots				Totals
	1	2	3	4	
<i>Acer rubrum</i>		3	1		4
<i>Betula nigra</i>	3		1	2	6
<i>Cornus amomum</i>	4		1		5
<i>Carpinus caroliniana</i>		2		2	4
<i>Lindera benzoin</i>				3	3
<i>Nyssa sylvatica</i>				1	1
<i>Platanus occidentali</i>	3		2	3	8
<i>Quercus falcata</i>		3			3
<i>Quercus lyrata</i>	1		1		2
<i>Quercus spp</i>		4		1	5
<i>Unknown</i>	3				3
Totals:	14	12	6	12	44
Plot Tree Density (stems/acre)	566	485	242	485	

3.5 Vegetation Observations

All herbaceous species seeded throughout the site after construction were found onsite at the end of Year 2 of the post-construction monitoring period. In addition, native species such as hickory (*Carya* spp.), deer tongue (*Panicum clandestinum*), and aster were found to have colonized throughout the project's riparian area.

3.6 Vegetation Photos

Photos of the project showing the onsite vegetation are included in Appendix A of this report.

4.0 STREAM MONITORING

4.1 Description of Stream Monitoring

To document the stated success criteria, the following monitoring program was instituted following construction completion on the Site:

Bankfull Events: The occurrence of bankfull events within the monitoring period were documented by the use of crest gages and photographs. Two crest gages were installed on the floodplain on the main stem of UT to Barnes Creek and the Harris Tributary. They were installed at the design bankfull elevation within 10 feet of the restored channel. The crest gages recorded the highest watermark between site visits and were checked at each site visit to determine if a bankfull event had occurred. No bankfull events were recorded or observed during the 2007 monitoring conducted from August through November 2007.

Cross-Sections: Two permanent cross-sections were installed per 1,000 linear feet of stream restoration work, with one located at a riffle cross-section and one located at a pool cross-section. Each cross-section was marked on both banks with permanent pins to establish the exact transect used. A common benchmark was used for cross-sections and consistently referenced to facilitate comparison of year-to-year data. The annual cross-sectional survey will include points measured at all breaks in slope, including top of bank, bankfull, inner berm, edge of water, and thalweg, if the features are present. Riffle crosssections will be classified using the Rosgen stream classification system. Permanent cross-sections for 2007 (Year 2) were surveyed in October 2007.

Longitudinal Profiles: A complete longitudinal profile was surveyed for monitoring year 2 to ascertain the current stream conditions. The profile was conducted for the entire length of the restored channel. Measurements included thalweg, water surface, and bankfull. Each of these measurements was taken at the head of each feature (e.g., riffle, pool, glide). In addition, maximum pool depth was recorded. All survey was tied to a single permanent benchmark.

Photo Reference Stations: Photographs are used to visually document restoration success. Seventy reference stations were established to document conditions at the constructed grade control structures across the Site, and additional photo stations were established at each of the sixteen permanent cross-sections and hydrologic monitoring stations. The GPS coordinates of each photo station have been noted as additional reference to ensure the same photo location is used throughout the monitoring period. Reference photos are taken at least once per year.

Photo log of the UT Barnes Stream and Wetland Restoration Site is included in Appendix A of this report. Cross-section photos are located with the cross-section diagrams in Appendix B.

4.2 Stream Restoration Success Criteria

The approved Mitigation Plan requires the following criteria be met to achieve stream restoration success:

- *Bankfull Events:* Two bankfull flow events must be documented within the five-year monitoring period. The two bankfull events must occur in separate years. Although two bankfull events were observed in 2006, no bankfull events were observed in 2007. This is largely attributed to the drought conditions onsite.
- *Cross-Sections:* There should be little change in as-built cross-sections. If changes to channel crosssection take place, they should be minor changes representing an increase in stability (e.g., settling, vegetative changes, deposition along the banks, or decrease in width/depth ratio).
- *Longitudinal Profiles:* The longitudinal profiles should show that the bedform features are remaining stable (not aggrading or degrading). The pools should remain deep with flat water surface slopes and the riffles should remain steeper and shallower than the pools.

- *Photo Reference Stations*: Photographs will be used to subjectively evaluate channel aggradation or degradation, bank erosion, success of riparian vegetation and effectiveness of erosion control measures. Photos should indicate the absence of developing bars within the channel, no excessive bank erosion or increase in channel depth over time, and maturation of riparian vegetation.

4.3 Bankfull Discharge Monitoring Results

The onsite crest gage documented the occurrence of two bankfull flow event during the first year (2006) of the post-construction monitoring period (Table 9). No bankfull events were recorded or observed during the 2007 monitoring conducted from August through November 2007.

Table 9. Verification of Bankfull Events

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Date of Data Collection	Crest Gage	Date of Occurrence of Bankfull Event	Height (feet)
7/13/2006	CG #1	06/24/2006	1.5
7/13/2006	CG #2	06/24/2006	1.0
9/29/2006	CG #1	08/31/2006	3.72
9/29/2006	CG #2	08/31/2006	3.74

4.4 Stream Monitoring Data and Photos

A photo log of the project showing each of the sixteen permanent cross-section locations is included in Appendix A of this report. Data from each permanent cross-section is included in Appendix B of this report.

4.5 Stream Stability Assessment

Table 10 presents a summary of the results obtained from the visual inspection of in-stream structures performed during Year 2 of post-construction monitoring.

Table 10. Categorical Stream Feature Visual Stability Assessment

UT To Barnes Creek Restoration Site : Project No. 040614201A						
Feature	Performance Percentage					
	Initial	MY-01	MY-02	MY-03	MY-04	MY-05
Riffles	100%	100%	100%			
Pools	100%	100%	100%			
Thalweg	100%	100%	100%			
Meanders	100%	100%	100%			
Bed General	100%	100%	100%			
Vanes / J Hooks etc.	100%	100%	100%			
Wads and Boulders	100%	100%	100%			

4.6 Stream Stability Baseline

The quantitative pre-construction, reference reach, and design data used to determine mitigation approach and prepare the construction plans for the project, as well as the as-built baseline data to determine stream stability during the project’s post construction monitoring period are summarized for each design reach in Table 11.

Table 11. Baseline Morphology and Hydraulic Summary

UT TO BARNES CREEK - HURLEY MAINSTEM REACH															
Parameter	Pre-Existing Condition			Reference Reach Data			Reference Reach Data			Design			As-built		
				Spencer Creek			UT to Spencer Creek								
Dimension - Riffle	Min	Mean	Max	Min	Mean	Max	Min	Mean	Max	Min	Mean	Max	Min	Mean	Max
Bankfull Width (ft)	10.8	---	23.1	10.7	---	11.2	---	7	---	---	15.0	---	17.0	---	18.8
Floodprone Width (ft)	52.0	---	92+	60	---	114+	---	81+	---	---	100+	---	45.0	---	150.6
Bankfull Mean Depth (ft)	0.9	---	1.7	1.6	---	1.8	---	1.1	---	---	1.4	---	1.0	---	1.4
Bankfull Max Depth (ft)	1.5	---	3.1	2.1	---	2.6	---	2	---	---	2.3	---	2.0	---	2.4
Bankfull Cross Sectional Area (ft ²)	17.2	---	21.0	17.8	---	19.7	---	7.7	---	---	20.6	---	19.0	---	23.5
Width/Depth Ratio	6.8	---	25.9	5.8	---	7.1	---	6.4	---	---	10.9	---	12.5	---	18.7
Entrenchment Ratio	2.3	---	9.7+	5.5	---	10.2	---	11.6	---	5.0	---	10+	2.6	---	8.0
Bank Height Ratio	1.0	---	1.4	1.0	---	1.0	---	1.0	---	---	1.0	---	1.0	---	1.0
Bankfull Velocity (fps)	4.6	---	5.6	4.9	---	5.4	---	3.2	---	---	4.7	---	5.1	---	4.1
Pattern															
Channel Beltwidth (ft)	28.2	---	38.2	38.3	---	40.8	11.4	---	26.7	53	---	120	---	---	---
Radius of Curvature (ft)	7.7	---	19.9	10.9	---	14.6	5.8	---	15.8	30	---	45	---	---	---
Meander Wavelength (ft)	41.9	---	82.5	46	---	48	37.7	---	42.5	170	---	188	---	---	---
Meander Width Ratio	2	---	2.9	3.4	---	3.6	1.6	---	3.8	---	---	---	---	---	---
Profile															
Riffle Length (ft)	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
Riffle Slope (ft/ft)	0.0142	---	0.0174	0.013			0.014			0.008	---	0.0159	---	---	---
Pool Length (ft)	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
Pool Spacing (ft)	65	---	206	71			19	---	41.7	45	---	109	---	---	---
Substrate and Transport Parameters															
d16 / d35 / d50 / d84 / d95	<.062/.125/2.0/22/64			<.062/3.0/8.8/42/90			<.062/0.062/1.0/16.0/22.3			---			---	---	---
Reach Shear Stress (competency) lb/ft ²	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
Stream Power (transport capacity) W/m ²	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
Additional Reach Parameters															
Channel length (ft)	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
Drainage Area (SM)	---	1.7	---	---	0.96	---	---	0.014	---	---	2	---	---	2	---
Rosgen Classification	---	E5	---	---	E4	---	---	E5	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
Bankfull Discharge (cfs)	---	97	---	---	97	---	---	25	---	---	97	---	---	97	---
Sinuosity	---	1.24	---	---	2.32	---	---	2.45	---	---	1.43	---	---	---	---
BF slope (ft/ft)	0.0059	---	0.006	---	0.005	---	---	0.003	---	---	0.0053	---	---	---	---

UT TO BARNES CREEK - HARRIS MAINSTEM REACH

Parameter	Pre-Existing Condition			Reference Reach Data			Reference Reach Data			Design			As-built		
				Spencer Creek			UT to Spencer Creek								
Dimension - Riffle	Min	Mean	Max	Min	Mean	Max	Min	Mean	Max	Min	Mean	Max	Min	Mean	Max
Bankfull Width (ft)	---	8.6	---	10.7	---	11.2	---	7	---	---	15.0	---	17.0	---	18.8
Floodprone Width (ft)	---	70+	---	60	---	114+	---	81+	---	---	100+	---	45.0	---	150.6
Bankfull Mean Depth (ft)	---	2.0	---	1.6	---	1.8	---	1.1	---	---	1.4	---	1.0	---	1.4
Bankfull Max Depth (ft)	---	2.4	---	2.1	---	2.6	---	2	---	---	2.3	---	2.0	---	2.4
Bankfull Cross Sectional Area (ft2)	---	16.8	---	17.8	---	19.7	---	7.7	---	---	20.6	---	19.0	---	23.5
Width/Depth Ratio	---	4.4	---	5.8	---	7.1	---	6.4	---	---	10.9	---	12.5	---	18.7
Entrenchment Ratio	---	8.1+	---	5.5	---	10.2	---	11.6	---	5.0	---	10+	2.6	---	8.0
Bank Height Ratio	1.0	---	1.5	1.0	---	1.0	---	1.0	---	---	1.0	---	1.0	---	1.0
Bankfull Velocity (fps)	---	5.8	---	4.9	---	5.4	---	3.2	---	---	4.7	---	5.1	---	4.1
Pattern															
Channel Beltwidth (ft)	18.9	---	27.9	38.3	---	40.8	11.4	---	26.7	53	---	120	---	---	---
Radius of Curvature (ft)	7.3	---	19.1	10.9	---	14.6	5.8	---	15.8	30	---	45	---	---	---
Meander Wavelength (ft)	40.5	---	52.6	46	---	48	37.7	---	42.5	170	---	188	---	---	---
Meander Width Ratio	2	---	2.9	3.4	---	3.6	1.6	---	3.8	---	---	---	---	---	---
Profile															
Riffle Length (ft)	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
Riffle Slope (ft/ft)	0.0142	---	0.0174	0.013			0.014			0.008	---	0.0159	---	---	---
Pool Length (ft)	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
Pool Spacing (ft)	65	---	206	71			19	---	41.7	45	---	109	---	---	---
Substrate and Transport Parameters															
d16 / d35 / d50 / d84 / d95	<.062/.125/2.0/22/64			<.062/3.0/8.8/42/90			<.062/0.062/1.0/16.0/22.3			---			---	---	---
Reach Shear Stress (competency) lb/f2	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
Stream Power (transport capacity) W/m2	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
Additional Reach Parameters															
Channel length (ft)	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
Drainage Area (SM)	---	1.7	---	---	0.96	---	---	0.014	---	---	2	---	---	2	---
Rosgen Classification	---	E5	---	---	E4	---	---	E5	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
Bankfull Discharge (cfs)	---	97	---	---	97	---	---	25	---	---	97	---	---	97	---
Sinuosity	---	1.24	---	---	2.32	---	---	2.45	---	---	1.43	---	---	---	---
BF slope (ft/ft)	0.0059		0.006	---	0.005	---	---	0.003	---	---	0.0053	---	---	---	---

UT TO BARNES CREEK - HARRIS TRIBUTARY

Parameter	Pre-Existing Condition			Reference Reach Data			Reference Reach Data			Design			As-built		
				Spencer Creek			UT to Spencer Creek								
Dimension - Riffle	Min	Mean	Max	Min	Mean	Max	Min	Mean	Max	Min	Mean	Max	Min	Mean	Max
Bankfull Width (ft)	---	8.5	---	10.7	---	11.2	---	7	---	---	10.0	---	---	14.4	---
Floodprone Width (ft)	---	92+	---	60	---	114+	---	81+	---	30.0	---	60.0	---	44.6	---
Bankfull Mean Depth (ft)	---	0.8	---	1.6	---	1.8	---	1.1	---	---	0.8	---	---	0.7	---
Bankfull Max Depth (ft)	---	1.6	---	2.1	---	2.6	---	2	---	---	1.25	---	---	1.4	---
Bankfull Cross Sectional Area (ft ²)	---	6.8	---	17.8	---	19.7	---	7.7	---	---	7.5	---	---	9.9	---
Width/Depth Ratio	---	10.6	---	5.8	---	7.1	---	6.4	---	---	13.3	---	---	20.7	---
Entrenchment Ratio	---	10.9	---	5.5	---	10.2	---	11.6	---	2.5	---	10+	---	3.1	---
Bank Height Ratio	---	1.0	---	1.0	---	1.0	---	1.0	---	---	1.0	---	---	1.0	---
Bankfull Velocity (fps)	---	4.0	---	4.9	---	5.4	---	3.2	---	---	3.6	---	---	2.7	---
Pattern															
Channel Beltwidth (ft)	---	---	---	38.3	---	40.8	11.4	---	26.7	35	---	80	---	---	---
Radius of Curvature (ft)	---	---	---	10.9	---	14.6	5.8	---	15.8	20	---	30	---	---	---
Meander Wavelength (ft)	---	---	---	46	---	48	37.7	---	42.5	113	---	125	---	---	---
Meander Width Ratio	---	---	---	3.4	---	3.6	1.6	---	3.8	3.5	---	8	---	---	---
Profile															
Riffle Length (ft)	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
Riffle Slope (ft/ft)	0.02	---	0.026	0.013			0.014			0.0105	---	0.021	---	---	---
Pool Length (ft)	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
Pool Spacing (ft)	29.4	---	129.7	71			19	---	41.7	22.2	---	57.5	---	---	---
Substrate and Transport Parameters															
d16 / d35 / d50 / d84 / d95	<0.062/0.062/1.0/16/21			<0.062/3.0/8.8/42/90			<.062/0.062/1.0/16.0/22.3			---			---	---	---
Reach Shear Stress (competency) lb/f ²	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
Stream Power (transport capacity) W/m ²	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
Additional Reach Parameters															
Channel length (ft)	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
Drainage Area (SM)	---	0.2	---	---	0.96	---	---	0.014	---	---	0.2	---	---	0.2	---
Rosgen Classification	---	E5	---	---	E4	---	---	E5	---	---	E5	---	---	---	---
Bankfull Discharge (cfs)	---	27	---	---	97	---	---	25	---	---	27	---	---	27	---
Sinuosity	---	1.02	---	---	2.32	---	---	2.45	---	---	1.28	---	---	---	---
BF slope (ft/ft)	---	0.009	---	---	0.005	---	---	0.003	---	---	0.0067	---	---	---	---

Table XIII. Morphology and Hydraulic Monitoring Summary
Project No. 397 (UT to Barnes Creek Main Trib)

Parameter	Cross Section 1 Rifle						Cross Section 2 Pool						Cross Section 3 Pool						Cross Section 4 Rifle					
	MY1	MY2	MY3	MY4	MY5	MY6	MY1	MY2	MY3	MY4	MY5	MY6	MY1	MY2	MY3	MY4	MY5	MY6	MY1	MY2	MY3	MY4	MY5	MY6
Dimension																								
BF Width (ft)		17.5						31						21						19				
Floodprone Width (ft)		>45						>45						>45						>45				
BF Cross Sectional Area (sq.ft.)		18.46						82.38						43..						16.66				
BF Mean Depth (ft)		1.06						2.66						2						1.14				
BF Max Depth (ft)		2.05						4.71						3.8						2.08				
Width/Depth Ratio		16.51						11.65						10.5						12.8				
Entrenchment Ratio		>2.2						>2.2						>2.2						>2.2				
Substrate (Reach Wide)																								
d50 (mm)	0.17																							
d84 (mm)	60.5																							
Parameter	MY-01 (2006)						MY-02 (2007)						MY-03 (2008)						MY-04 (2009)					
Pattern	Min	Max	Med				Min	Max	Med				Min	Max	Med				Min	Max	Med			
Channel Beltwidth (ft)	N/A	N/A	N/A				40	100	58															
Radius of Curvature (ft)	N/A	N/A	N/A				26.56	50	35.93															
Meander Wavelength (ft)	N/A	N/A	N/A				140	220	180															
Meander Width ratio	N/A	N/A	N/A				1.98	4.72	2.73															
Profile																								
Riffle length (ft)	N/A	N/A	N/A				25.8	110.5	124															
Riffle slope (ft/ft)	N/A	N/A	N/A				0.008	0.043	0.027															
Pool length (ft)	N/A	N/A	N/A				20.1	174.3	100															
Pool spacing (ft)	N/A	N/A	N/A				48	210	129															

**Table XIII. Morphology and Hydraulic Monitoring Summary
Project No. 397 (UT to Barnes Creek Harris Trib)**

Parameter	Cross Section 5 Riffle						Cross Section 6 Pool																	
	MY1	MY2	MY3	MY4	MY5	MY6	MY1	MY2	MY3	MY4	MY5	MY6	MY1	MY2	MY3	MY4	MY5	MY6	MY1	MY2	MY3	MY4	MY5	MY6
Dimension																								
BF Width (ft)		14.6						18																
Floodprone Width (ft)		>45						>45																
BF Cross Sectional Area (sq.ft.)		16.66						42.56																
BF Mean Depth (ft)		1.14						2.36																
BF Max Depth (ft)		2.08						3.77																
Width/Depth Ratio		12.8						7.62																
Entrenchment Ratio		>2.2						>2.2																
Substrate (Reach Wide)																								
d50 (mm)	0.17																							
d84 (mm)	60.5																							
Parameter	MY-01 (2006)						MY-02 (2007)						MY-03 (2008)						MY-04 (2009)					
Pattern	Min	Max	Med				Min	Max	Med				Min	Max	Med				Min	Max	Med			
Channel Beltwidth (ft)	N/A	N/A	N/A				20	50	35															
Radius of Curvature (ft)	N/A	N/A	N/A				18.75	43.75	25															
Meander Wavelength (ft)	N/A	N/A	N/A				80	120	105															
Meander Width ratio	N/A	N/A	N/A				1.22	3.06	2.14															
Profile																								
Riffle length (ft)	N/A	N/A	N/A				5	21	24															
Riffle slope (ft/ft)	N/A	N/A	N/A				0.021	0.048	0.034															
Pool length (ft)	N/A	N/A	N/A				8	17	11															
Pool spacing (ft)	N/A	N/A	N/A				20	45	32.5															

4.7 Cross-section Monitoring Results

Year 2 cross-section monitoring data for stream stability were collected during October 2007 and compared to baseline stream geometry data collected in June 2006 (as-built conditions).

The eight permanent cross-sections along the restored channels (four located across riffles and four located across pools) were re-surveyed to document stream dimension at the end of monitoring Year 2. Data from each of these cross-sections are summarized in Table 12 and Table 13. Results from a comparison between the cross-sections surveyed during the as-built, monitoring year one, and monitoring year two, show a continuing trend that the stream is adjusting toward a more stable equilibrium.

As vegetation establishes and the channel matures it will develop more properties of a Rosgen E channel stream classification. This is apparent in the reduction of width to depth ratios and bankfull areas of the riffles. Bank height ratios remained consistent with the as-built results.

In-stream structures included constructed riffles, a rock cross vane, a rock vane, log vanes, log sills, rock sills, and rock step structures. Visual observations of these structures throughout the Year 2 growing season have indicated that all structures are functioning as designed and holding elevation grade. Cover logs placed in meander pools have provided scour during low flow events and an excellent habit feature for aquatic life. Root wads placed on the outside of meander bends have provided bank stability and instream cover.

Photographs of the channel were taken at the end of Year two monitoring to document the evolution of the restored stream geometry (see Appendix A).

Table 13. Harris Tributary Morphology and Hydraulic Year 2 Monitoring Summary

UT to Barnes Creek Restoration Site: Project No. 040614201A		
Reach: Harris Tributary		
	Cross-Section 1	Cross-Section 2
	Riffle	Pool
Cross-Section Parameters	YEAR 2	YEAR 2
Dimension	>45	>45
BF Width (ft)	16.50	14.20
Floodprone Width (ft)		
BF Cross Sectional Area (ft ²)	9.87	20.84
BF Mean Depth (ft)	0.60	1.47
BF Max Depth (ft)	1.44	2.64
Width/Depth Ratio	27.5	9.66
Entrenchment Ratio	>2.2	>2.2
Substrate	Reach-wide	
d50(mm)	<0.08	
d84(mm)	25	

4.8 Longitudinal Profile Monitoring Results

Year 2 longitudinal profile monitoring data were collected during October 2007 and compared to baseline profile data collected in June 2006 (as-built conditions), and monitoring year 1 data collected in October 2006.

A comparison of the as-built longitudinal profile and the Year 1 and Year 2 longitudinal profiles show that bedform features are not significantly aggrading or degrading and that pool depths were deeper than riffle depths. This indicates a stable and properly functioning longitudinal profile. A plot of the profile comparison can be found in Appendix C.

5.0 HYDROLOGY

The restoration plan for the Site specifies that eight monitoring wells would be established across the restored site. These eight monitoring wells were installed during March 2006 to document water table hydrology in all required monitoring locations. Hydrologic monitoring results are shown in Table 14, Figure 3, and Table 15.

Table 14. Comparison of Historic Rainfall to Observed Rainfall

Month	Average	Observed 2007 Precipitation
April 2007	2.8	4.73
May 2007	4.02	0.3
June 2007	3.81	2.47
July 2007	4.51	2.03
August 2007	3.88	2.4
September 2007	3.52	0.87
October 2007	3.5	4.28
November 2007	2.97	0.31
December 2007	3.36	5.67

Figure 4. Historic Average vs. Observed Rainfall

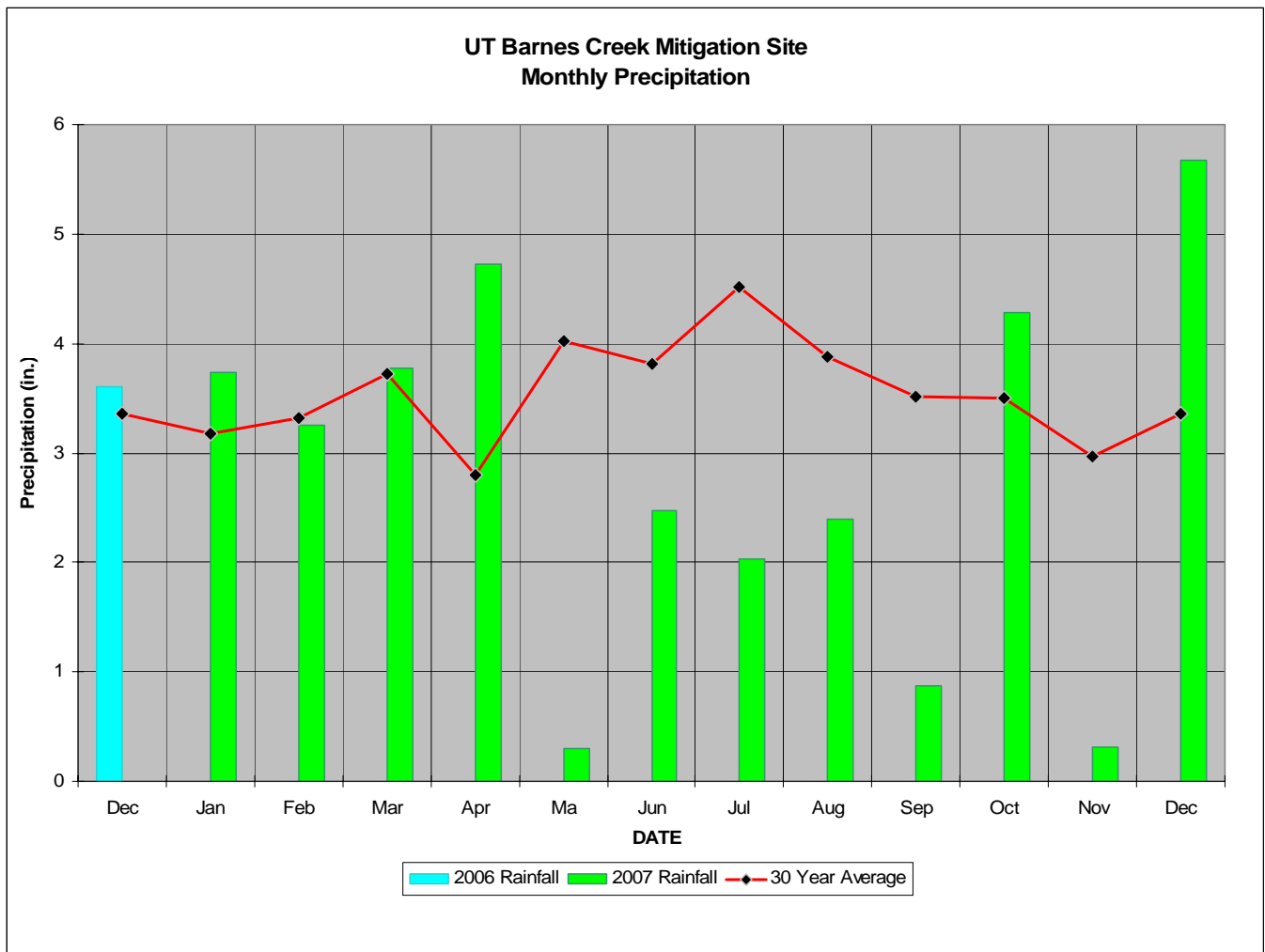


Table 15. Hydrologic Monitoring Results

UT to Barnes Creek Restoration Site : Project No. 040614201A			
Monitoring Station	Most Consecutive Days Meeting Criteria¹	Cumulative Days Meeting Criteria²	Number of Instances Meeting Criteria³
AW1	93	130	2
AW2	166	144	1
AW3	12	38	1
AW4	37	45	1

¹ Indicates the most consecutive number of days within the monitored growing season with a water table less than 12 inches from the soil surface.

² Indicates the cumulative number of days within the monitored growing season with a water table less than 12 inches from the soil surface.

³ Indicates the number of instances within the monitored growing season when the water table rose to less than 12 inches from the soil surface.

* Monthly hydrologic monitoring did not commence until August 2007.

6.0 OVERALL CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

Vegetation Monitoring. The site experienced adequate survival of planted woody vegetation during Year 2 of the monitoring period. Based on the Year 2 vegetation monitoring, woody vegetation exceeds the minimum success criteria established as goal for the end of the Year 3 monitoring period. Planted herbaceous vegetation thrived successfully, providing adequate ground cover during the 2007 growing season.

Stream Monitoring. The total length of stream channel restored on the site was 3,916 LF. This entire length was inspected during Year 2 of the monitoring period (2007) to assess stream performance. Based on the data collected and visual inspection, all riffles, pools, and other constructed features along the restored channel are stable and functioning as designed. The lack of problem areas along the length of the restored channel after at least two bankfull discharges further supports the functionality of the design. It is expected the stability and in-stream habitat of the system will improve in the coming years as permanent vegetation becomes more established.

Hydrologic Monitoring.

Data collected during the 2007 growing season by the four automatic monitoring well gauges at the Site showed that groundwater levels met hydrologic success criteria of saturation within 12 inches of the soil surface for a hydroperiod of 12 consecutive days. This indicates that the restored channel has an appropriate frequency of flooding and provides the required hydrology to the adjacent floodplain wetland systems. For the 2008 monitoring year, four (4) additional automated monitoring gauges will be installed.

7.0 WILDLIFE OBSERVATIONS

Observations of deer and raccoon tracks are common on the site. During certain times of the year, frogs, turtles, fish, and deer have also been observed.

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