



Phase II Small Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System (MS4) Annual Report

1. MS4 Information

Name of MS4: Carter County		MS4 Permit Number: TN5075124	
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City: Elizabethton	State: TN	ZIP code: 37643	

What is the current population of your MS4? 56,356

What is the reporting period for this annual report? July 1 2020 to June 30 2021

2. Discharges to Waterbodies with Unavailable Parameters or Exceptional Tennessee Waters (Section 3.1)

- A. Does your MS4 discharge into waters with unavailable parameters (previously referred to as impaired) for pathogens, nutrients, siltation or other parameters related to stormwater runoff from urbanized areas as listed on TN's most current 303(d) list and/or according to the on-line state GIS mapping tool ([tdeconline.tn.gov/dwr/](http://tdeconline.tn.gov/dwr/))? If yes, attach a list.  Yes  No
- B. Are there established and approved TMDLs (<http://www.tn.gov/environment/article/wr-ws-tennessees-total-maximum-daily-load-tmdl-program>) with waste load allocations for MS4 discharges in your jurisdiction? If yes, attach a list.  Yes  No
- C. Does your MS4 discharge to any Exceptional Tennessee Waters (ETWs - [http://environment-online.tn.gov:8080/pls/enf\\_reports/f?p=9034:34304:4880790061142](http://environment-online.tn.gov:8080/pls/enf_reports/f?p=9034:34304:4880790061142))? If yes, attach a list.  Yes  No
- D. Are you implementing specific Best Management Practices (BMPs) to control pollutant discharges to waterbodies with unavailable parameters or ETWs? If yes, describe the specific practices: Buffers and BMP's are listed in our stormwater ordinance  Yes  No

3. Public Education/Outreach and Involvement/Participation (Sections 4.2.1 and 4.2.2)

- A. Have you developed a Public Information and Education plan (PIE)?  Yes  No
- B. Is your public education program targeting specific pollutants and sources, such as Hot Spots? If yes, describe the specific pollutants and/or sources targeted by your public education program: AUTO SHOPS, PUBLIC MAINTENANCE SHOPS, ETC  Yes  No
- C. Do you have a webpage dedicated to your stormwater program? If yes, provide a link/URL: N/A  Yes  No
- D. Summarize how you advertise and publicize your public education, outreach, involvement and participation opportunities: PUBLIC EVENTS, ANNUAL MS-4 REPORT AT PUBLIC MEETINGS, DISCUSS MS4 VIOLATIONS IF ANY ARE APPLICABLE DURING MONTHLY REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION MEETINGS

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- E. Summarize the public education, outreach, involvement and participation activities you completed during this reporting period: COMMUNITY CLEANUP EVENTS AND DISCUSSIONS WITHIN REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION OPEN MEETINGS AND COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONER OPEN MEETINGS
- F. Summarize any specific successful outcome(s) (e.g., citizen involvement, pollutant reduction, water quality improvement, etc.) fully or partially attributable to your public education and participation program during this reporting period: N/A

4. Illicit Discharge Detection and Elimination (Section 4.2.3)

- A. Have you developed and do you continue to update a storm sewer system map that shows the location of system outfalls where the municipal storm sewer system discharges into waters of the state or conveyances owned or operated by another MS4?  Yes  No
- B. If yes, does the map include inputs into the storm sewer collection system, such as the inlets, catch basins, drop structures or other defined contributing points to the sewershed of that outfall, and general direction of stormwater flow?  Yes  No
- C. How many outfalls have you identified in your storm sewer system? 312
- D. Do you have an ordinance, or other regulatory mechanism, that prohibits non-stormwater discharges into your storm sewer system?  Yes  No
- E. Have you implemented a plan to detect, identify and eliminate non-stormwater discharges, including illegal disposal, throughout the storm sewer system? If yes, provide a summary: STREAM INSPECTIONS, MONITORING, AND COMPLAINTS  Yes  No
- F. How many illicit discharge related complaints were received this reporting period? 0
- G. How many illicit discharge investigations were performed this reporting period? 0
- H. Of those investigations performed, how many resulted in valid illicit discharges that were addressed and/or eliminated? 0

5. Construction Site Stormwater Runoff Pollutant Control (Section 4.2.4)

- A. Do you have an ordinance or other regulatory mechanism requiring:
- Construction site operators to implement appropriate erosion prevention and sediment control BMPs consistent with those described in the TDEC EPSC Handbook?  Yes  No
- Construction site operators to control wastes such as discarded building materials, concrete truck washout, chemicals, litter, and sanitary waste?  Yes  No
- Design storm and special conditions for unavailable parameters waters or Exceptional Tennessee Waters consistent with those of the current Tennessee Construction General Permit (TNR100000)?  Yes  No
- B. Do you have specific procedures for construction site plan (including erosion prevention and sediment BMPs) review and approval?  Yes  No
- C. Do you have sanctions to enforce compliance?  Yes  No
- D. Do you hold pre-construction meetings with operators of priority construction activities and inspect priority construction sites at least monthly?  Yes  No

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- E. How many construction sites disturbing at least one acre or greater were active in your jurisdiction this reporting period? 38 "ACTIVE" PERMITS ARE LISTED ON TDEC SITE. THERE IS ONLY ONE TRULY ACTIVE
- F. How many active priority and non-priority construction sites were inspected this reporting period? 1
- G. How many construction related complaints were received this reporting period? 0

6. Permanent Stormwater Management at New Development and Redevelopment Projects (Section 4.2.5)

- A. Do you have a regulatory mechanism (e.g. ordinance) requiring permanent stormwater pollutant removal for development and redevelopment projects? If no, have you submitted an Implementation Plan to the Division?  Yes  No  
 Yes  No
- B. Do you have an ordinance or other regulatory mechanism requiring:
- Site plan review and approval of new and re-development projects?  Yes  No
- A process to ensure stormwater control measures (SCMs) are properly installed and maintained?  Yes  No
- Permanent water quality riparian buffers? If yes, specify requirements: \_\_\_\_\_  Yes  No
- C. What is the threshold for development and redevelopment project plans plan review (e.g., all projects, projects disturbing greater than one acre, etc.)? ALL
- D. How many development and redevelopment project plans were reviewed for this reporting period? 0
- E. How many development and redevelopment project plans were approved? 0
- F. How many permanent stormwater related complaints were received this reporting period? 0
- G. How many enforcement actions were taken to address improper installation or maintenance? 0
- H. Do you have a system to inventory and track the status of all public and private SCMs installed on development and redevelopment projects?  Yes  No
- I. Does your program include an off-site stormwater mitigation or payment into public stormwater fund? If yes, specify. \_\_\_\_\_  Yes  No

7. Stormwater Management for Municipal Operations (Section 4.2.6)

- A. As applicable, have stormwater related operation and maintenance plans that include information related to maintenance activities, schedules and the proper disposal of waste from structural and non-structural stormwater controls been developed and implemented at the following municipal operations:
- Streets, roads, highways?  Yes  No
- Municipal parking lots?  Yes  No
- Maintenance and storage yards?  Yes  No
- Fleet or maintenance shops with outdoor storage areas?  Yes  No
- Salt and storage locations?  Yes  No
- Snow disposal areas?  Yes  No
- Waste disposal, storage, and transfer stations?  Yes  No
- B. Do you have a training program for employees responsible for municipal operations at facilities within the jurisdiction that handle, generate and/or store materials which constitute a potential pollutant of concern for MS4s?  Yes  No

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If yes, are new applicable employees trained within six months, and existing applicable employees trained and/or retrained within the permit term?  Yes  No

8. Reviewing and Updating Stormwater Management Programs (Section 4.4)

- A. Describe any revisions to your program implemented during this reporting period including but not limited to:  
 Modifications or replacement of an ineffective activity/control measure. N/A  
 Changes to the program as required by the division to satisfy permit requirements. PLEASE SEE CALENDAR OF CORRECTIVE ACTION PLAN  
 Information (e.g. additional acreage, outfalls, BMPs) on newly annexed areas and any resulting updates to your program. N/A
- B. In preparation for this annual report, have you performed an overall assessment of your stormwater management program effectiveness? If yes, summarize the assessment results, and any modifications and improvements scheduled to be implemented in the next reporting period. AN EVALUATION OF ALL PROCESSES AND PROCEDURES HAS BEEN NOTED AND MANY ISSUES HAVE BEEN ADDRESSED (SEE CHART). WE HAVE ALSO MADE SIGNIFICANT IMPROVEMENTS OF DOCUMENTING COMPLAINTS AND OTHER ENFORCEMENT PROCEDURES. AGREEMENTS WITH OTHER COUNTY AGENCIES HAS BEEN AGREED UPON AND WILL OFFICE WILL BE NOTIFIED OF ANY CHANGES OR ISSUES PERTAINING TO IDDE.  Yes  No

9. Enforcement Response Plan (Section 4.5)

- A. Have you implemented an enforcement response plan that includes progressive enforcement actions to address non-compliance, and allows the maximum penalties specified in TCA 68-221-1106? If no, explain. \_\_\_\_\_  Yes  No
- B. As applicable, identify which of the following types of enforcement actions (or their equivalent) were used during this reporting period; indicate the number of actions, the minimum measure (e.g., construction, illicit discharge, permanent stormwater management), and note those for which you do not have authority:

<u>Action</u>	<u>Construction</u>	<u>Permanent Stormwater</u>	<u>Illicit Discharge</u>	<u>In Your ERP?</u>
Verbal warnings	#_____	#_____	#_____	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
Written notices	#_____	#_____	#_____	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
Citations with administrative penalties	#_____	#_____	#_____	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
Stop work orders	#_____	#_____	#_____	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
Withholding of plan approvals or other authorizations	#_____	#_____	#_____	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
Additional Measures	#_____	#_____	#_____	Describe: _____

- C. Do you track instances of non-compliance and related enforcement documentation?  Yes  No
- D. What were the most common types of non-compliance instances documented during this reporting period?  
NONE AT THE REPORTING PERIOD

10. Monitoring, Recordkeeping and reporting (Section 5)

- A. Summarize any analytical monitoring activities (e.g., planning, collection, evaluation of results) performed during this reporting period. BRUSHY FORK HAS BEEN CONTRACTED AND HAS COMPLETED MONITORING OUR 303D STREAMS. WE HAVE ATTACHED A COPY FOR YOUR RECORDS.
- B. Summarize any non-analytical monitoring activities (e.g., planning, collection, evaluation of results) performed during this reporting period. CODE ENFORCEMENT CHECKS
- C. If applicable, are monitoring records for activities performed during this reporting period submitted with this report.  Yes  No

11. Certification

This report must be signed by a ranking elected official or by a duly authorized representative of that person. See signatory requirements in sub-part 6.7.2 of the permit.

*"I certify under penalty of law that this document and all attachments were prepared under my direction or supervision in accordance with a system designed to assure that qualified personnel properly gather and evaluate the information submitted. Based on my inquiry of the person or persons who manage the system, or those persons directly responsible for gathering the information, the information submitted is, to the best of my knowledge and belief, true, accurate, and complete. I am aware that there are significant penalties for submitting false information, including the possibility of fine and imprisonment for knowing violations."*

Bobbie Gouge Dietz,  
Chairwoman CCPC  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Printed Name and Title

  
Signature

9-30-21  
Date

Annual reports must be submitted by September 30 of each calendar year (Section 5.4) to the appropriate Environmental Field Office (EFO), identified in the table below:

EFO	Street Address	City	Zip Code	Telephone
Chattanooga	1301 Riverfront Pkwy, Suite 206	Chattanooga	37402	(423) 634-5745
Columbia	1421 Hampshire Pike	Columbia	38401	(931) 380-3371
Cookeville	1221 South Willow Ave.	Cookeville	38506	(931) 520-6688
Jackson	1625 Hollywood Drive	Jackson	38305	(731) 512-1300
Johnson City	2305 Silverdale Road	Johnson City	37601	(423) 854-5400
Knoxville	3711 Middlebrook Pike	Knoxville	37921	(865) 594-6035
Memphis	8383 Wolf Lake Drive	Bartlett	38133	(901) 371-3000
Nashville	711 R S Gass Boulevard	Nashville	37216	(615) 687-7000

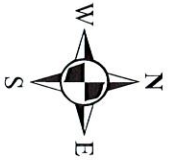
# 303D TMDL Listings

<b>Waterbody ID</b>	<b>Impacted Waterbody</b>	<b>County</b>	<b>Miles/Acres Impaired</b>	<b>Cause / TMDL Priority</b>	<b>Pollutant Source</b>
TN06010103 008-0400	Campbell Branch	Carter	3.0	Nitrate+Nitrate Loss of biological integrity due to siltation Alteration in stream-side or littoral vegetative cover Escherichia coli	Discharges from MS4
TN06010103 008-0400	Davis Branch	Carter	5.9	Habitat loss due to stream flow alteration Alteration in stream-side or littoral vegetative cover	Discharges from MS4 area Upstream impoundment
TN06010103 008-0800	Gap Branch	Carter	15.93	Nitrate+Nitrate Loss of biological integrity due to siltation Alteration in stream-side or littoral vegetative cover Escherichia coli	Discharges from MS4 area Streambank modification Septic tanks
TN06010103 011-1000	Buffalo Creek	Carter	6.08	Nitrate+Nitrite M Escherichia coli H	Pasture Grazing
TN06010103 013-0600	Roaring Creek	Carter	11.92	Iron	Upstream Impoundment
TN06010103 013-0811	Gouge Creek	Carter	1.36	Loss of biological integrity due to siltation	Land Development Pasture Grazing
TN06010103 020-1000	Watauga Lake	Carter/Johnson	6427 ac	Mercury	Atmospheric Deposition

# Carter County

## MS-4 Maps





# CARTER COUNTY, TENNESSEE

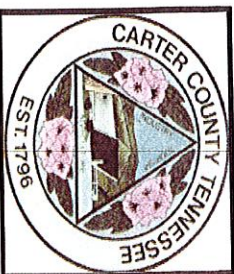
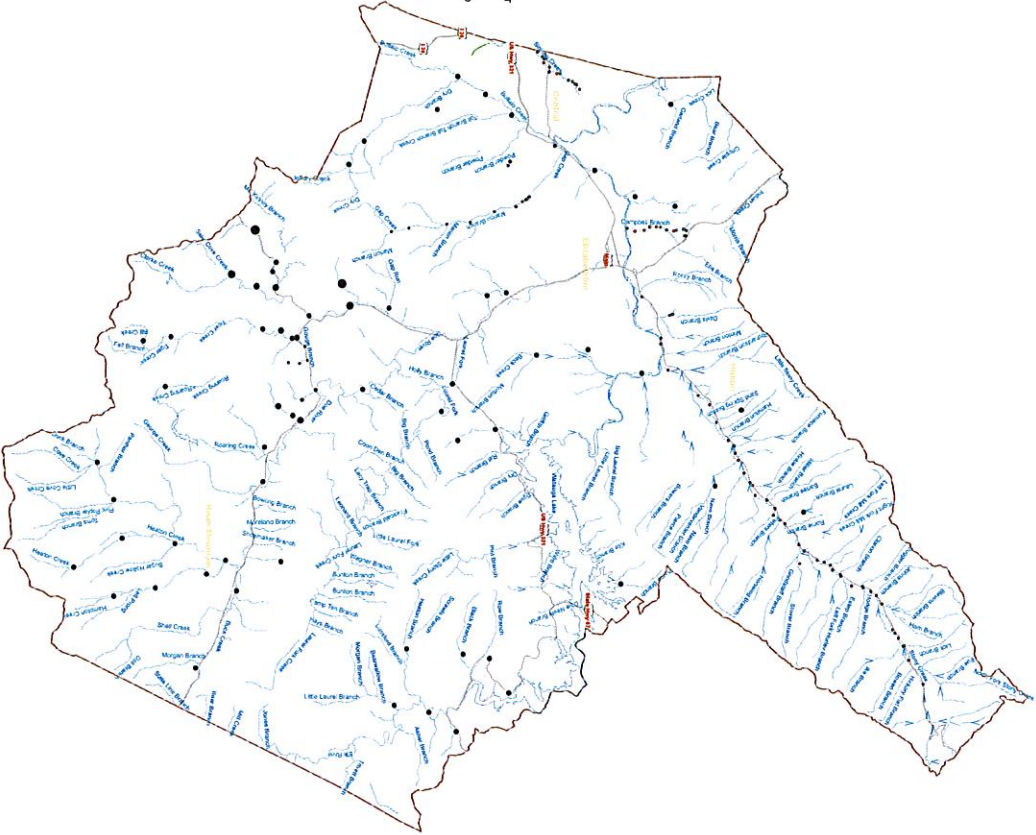
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Updated Map of 18 September 2015  
Civil Mapping as of 01 May 2015

## NOTES:

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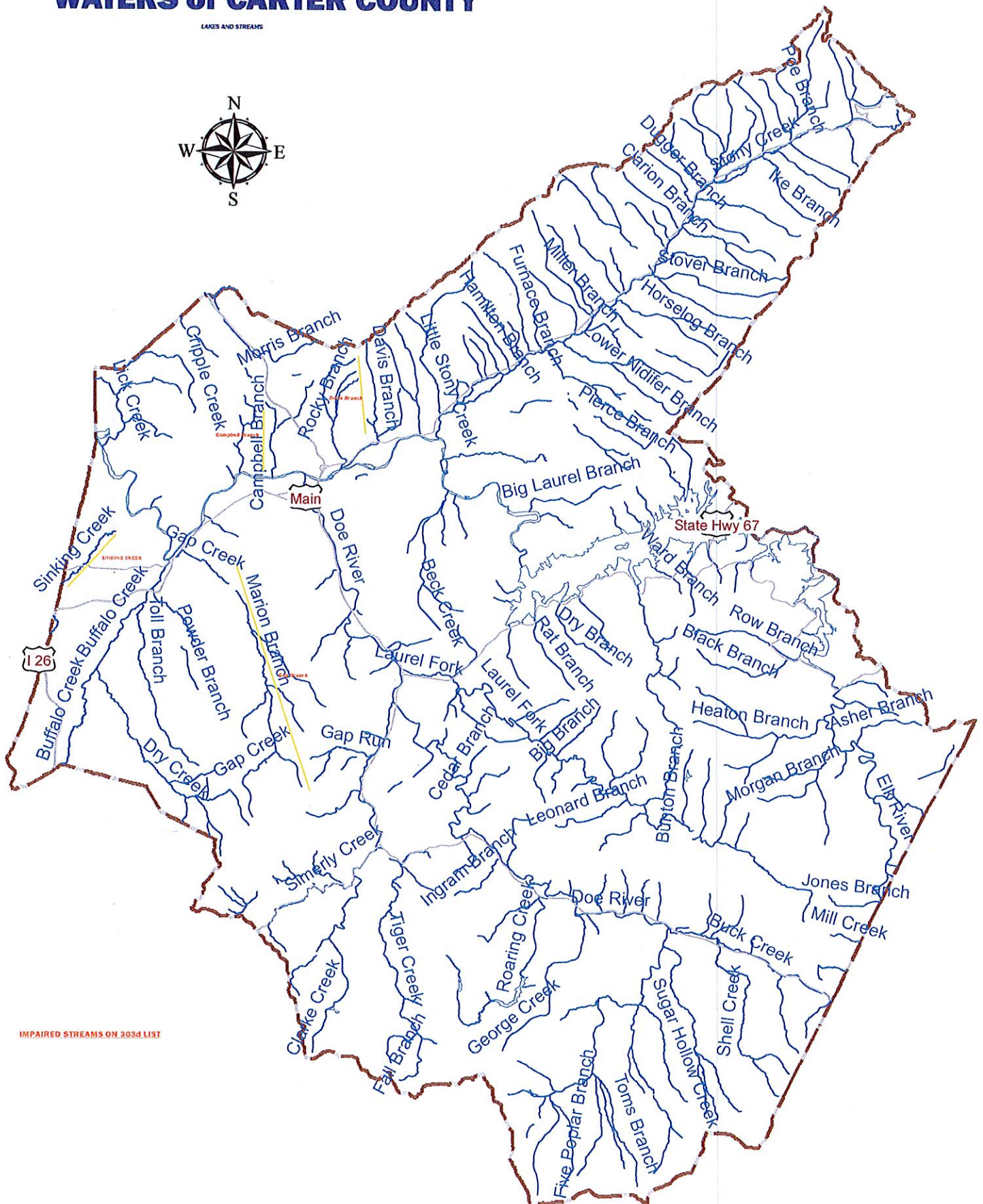
ANY NEW OUTFALLS WILL BE MARKED AND RECORDED AS SUCH AS SHOWN ON INSERT ON RIGHT SIDE OF THIS DOCUMENT THIS IS A WORKING DOCUMENT AND WILL BE UPDATED AS NEEDED

Legend	
• ww_outds	Highways
• ww_bridg	Lakes
• ww_outf2	Streams
• ww_outfs	County Line
• ww_bridg	City Limits
• Federl	Key: Moody
• ww_mains	



# WATERS of CARTER COUNTY

LAKES AND STREAMS



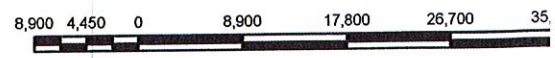
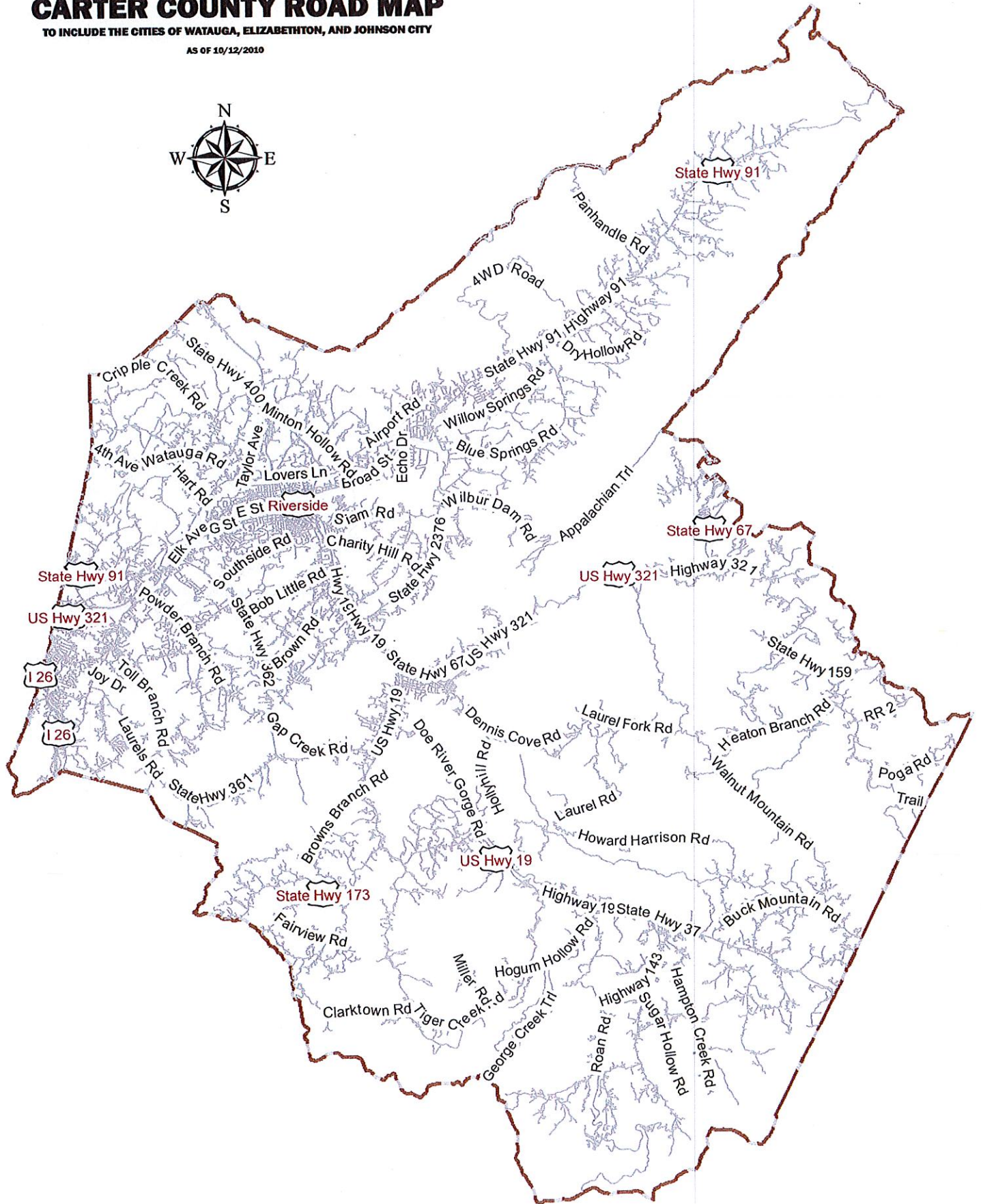
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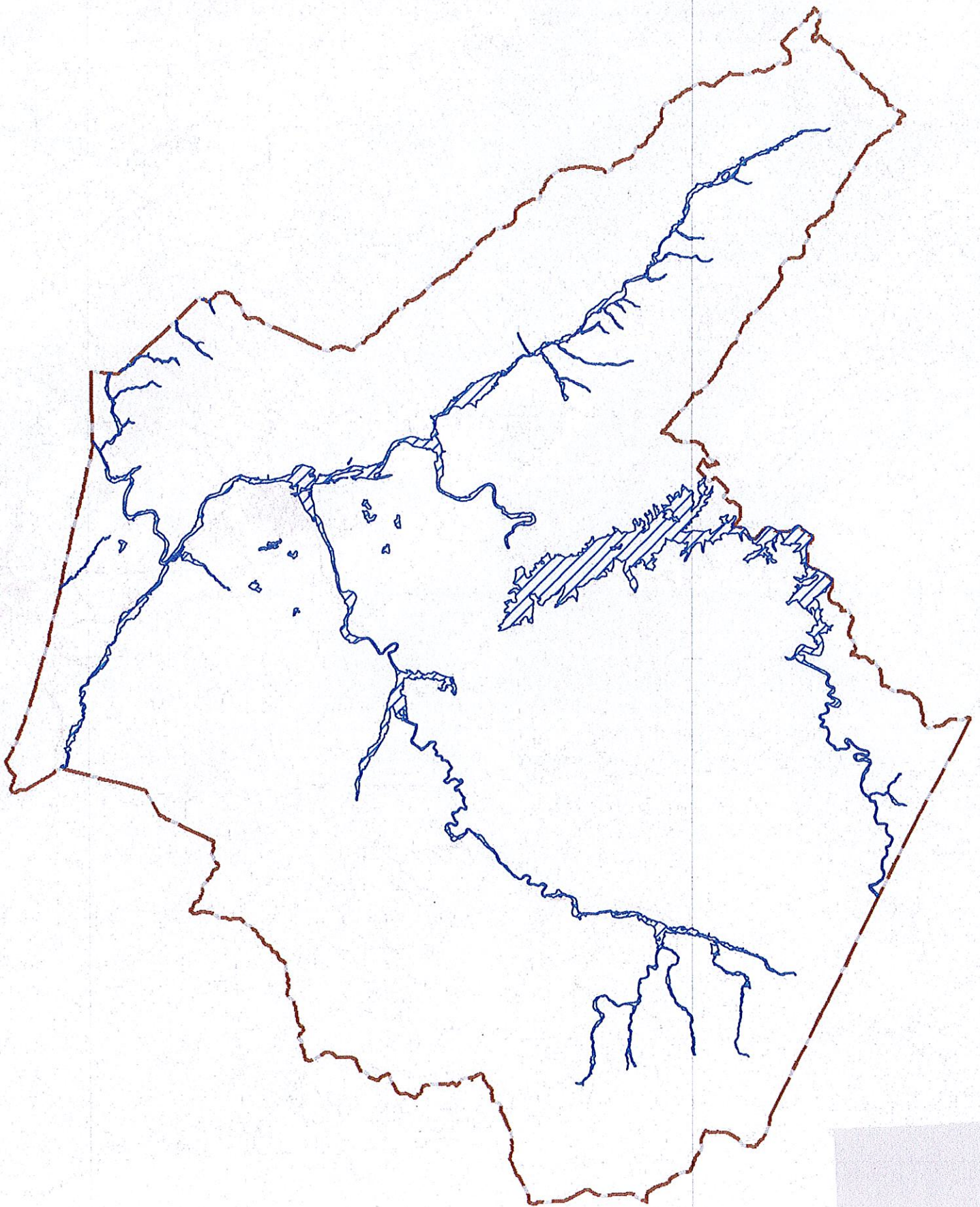
# CARTER COUNTY ROAD MAP

TO INCLUDE THE CITIES OF WATAUGA, ELIZABETHTON, AND JOHNSON CITY

AS OF 10/12/2010



**TOPOGRAPHY MAPPING of CARTER COUNTY and ADJIONING AREAS**

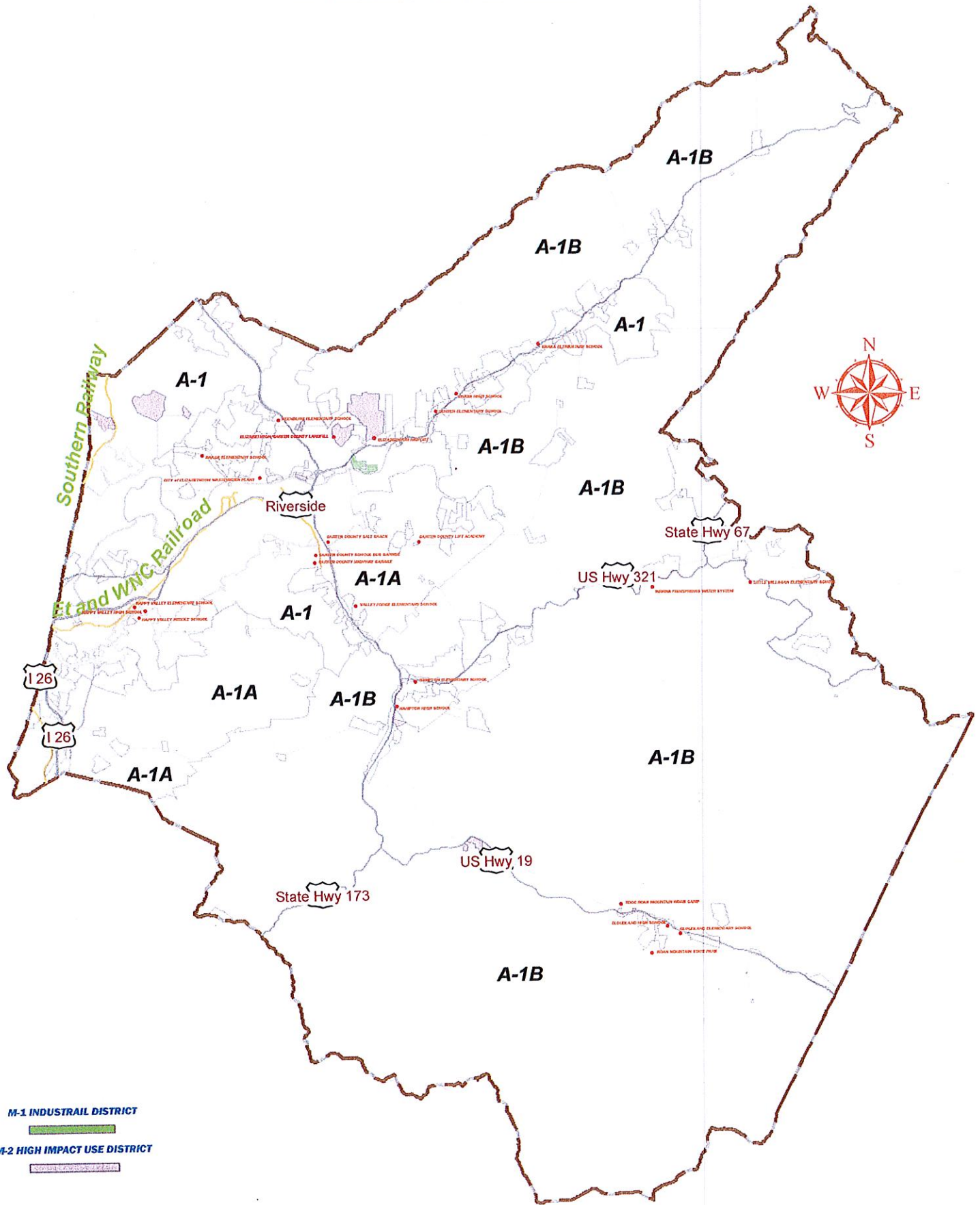


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# CARTER COUNTY

## INDUSTRIAL ZONING and LOCATION MAPPING



9,300 4,650 0 9,300 18,600 27,900 37,200 Feet

# Escherichia Coli Stream Monitoring



Providing Sound Environmental Solutions

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Trade, TN 37691  
ph/fax: 423.727.4476  
Josselyn@bfec.org

August 13<sup>th</sup> 2021

c/o: Chris Scheuttler, Director  
Carter County Planning & Zoning  
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Elizabethton, TN 37643  
(423) 542-1834

**RE:** Carter County Stream Monitoring (E. Coli) - Carter County TN

Mr. Scheuttler:

Please find the enclosed report: *Escherichia coli* Stream Monitoring - Carter County, Tennessee. This water quality assessment was performed for reaches of Campbell Branch and Gap Creek during the month of July and into August 2021. The geometric mean for *Escherichia coli* (E. coli) levels at both streams were both above the water quality criteria given for E. Coli in the Watauga River TMDL (126 colony forming units per 100 ml (CFU/100ml)). All discrete measurements (five) were less than the standard sample maximum of 941 CFI/100ml. These data suggest neither stream is meeting its numeric criteria for E. coli relative to their recreation use classification.

If you have any questions or need additional information, please be in touch.

Sincerely,

Josselyn Lucas

***Escherichia coli* Stream Monitoring - Carter County, Tennessee  
Assessment and Results – July 2021**



Gap Creek 07/19/21

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## 1. SCOPE OF SERVICES

Water sampling for *Escherichia coli* (E. coli) was performed for Campbell Branch (TN06010103008-0200) and Gap Creek (TN06010103008-0800) streams in Carter County, Tennessee. Brushy Fork Environmental Consulting, Inc. (BFEC) staff collected samples from one (1) monitoring location at each reach. Five (5) samples from each monitoring location were collected over a 5 day period in the month of July 2021 to determine the geometric mean for the water quality parameter of E. coli. Samples were analyzed by Oakwood Scientific Laboratory of Mechanicsville, VA. BFEC followed the E. coli sampling requirements outlined in the Tennessee Department of Environment and Conservation's (TDEC) "Quality System Standard Operating Procedure for Chemical and Bacteriological Sampling of Surface Water" (rev. 2018).

This project report presents sampling results with analysis and comments pertinent to specific stream pollutant sources and the Watauga River Watershed (HUC 06010103) TMDL for E. Coli (TDEC, 2015)

## 2. MATERIALS AND METHODS

### Materials

Prior to beginning sampling efforts, BFEC staff acquired a sufficient number of 250 milliliter (ml) sterile polypropylene screw-cap sampling bottles pre-preserved with sodium thiosulfate and EDTA from Burgie Drug Store in Elizabethton, TN.

### Methods

Following the Standard Operating Procedures outlined by TDEC, BFEC staff (Caleb Crowell and Sam Phillips) selected sample sites for the two creeks within 200 meters of previously sampled locations. These previous sampling locations were identified through the United States Environmental Protection Agency (US EPA) STORET database.

**Table1: Sampling Locations**

	Station ID	Station Name	Organization ID	EPA STORET Lat./Long.	Sampling Lat./Long.
Gap Creek	GAP000.4CT	Gap Creek	TDECWPC	36.3311 -82.2639	36.3319 -82.2649
Campbell Branch	CAMPB000.6CT	Campbell Branch	TDECWPC	36.3569 -82.2258	36.3568 -82.2264

Each sampling location was sampled five times. Four of the samples were taken within a 5 day period, 24 hours apart, and not directly following a significant rainfall event. The fifth sample was damaged en-route to the lab, so the fifth sample was re-done on 8/4/21. No significant rainfall event had occurred before this sample was taken. During each site visit, one 250 ml pre-preserved bottle was used to collect a single sample from each creek. Staff members were

careful not to displace the preservative or overfill the bottle. In order to avoid cross-contamination, staff members wore nitrile gloves throughout the sampling process. Tagged sample bottles were placed in zip-type bags and immediately stored on ice in a sealed cooler. A chain of custody and sample request form were taken to the lab along with the samples. All of the samples received by the lab were under the specified temperature threshold (10°C).

Gap Creek and Campbell Branch were each sampled on the following dates (M/D/Y): 7/19/21, 7/20/21, 7/21/21, 7/22/21, 8/4/21.

### Laboratory Analysis

Oakwood Scientific Laboratories used Standard Methods, 22<sup>nd</sup> ed. 2012 Method 9223 B Colilert 18 for quantification of E. Coli presence. With this method, chromogenic substrates ortho-nitrophenyl-β-d-galactopyranoside (ONPG) and chlorophenol red-β-d-galactopyranoside (CPRG), respectively, are used to detect the enzyme β-d-galactosidase, which is produced by total coliform bacteria. The β-d-galactosidase enzyme hydrolyzes the chromogenic substrate that produces a color change, thereby indicating the presence of total coliforms. Through this methodology, a Most Probable Number (MPN) of bacteria was quantified for each water sample.

### 3. RESULTS

Results for E. Coli presence (MPN) for each sample, and the median and geometric mean of sample values at each location is presented below in Table 2.

**Table 2 - Sampling Results**

Sampling Date	Gap Creek (mpn/100ml)	Campbell Branch (mpn/100ml)
19-Jul	177	325
20-Jul	383	113
21-Jul	232	172
22-Jul	162	341
4-Aug	85.4	128
<b>Median</b>	<b>177.00</b>	<b>172.00</b>
<b>Geometric Mean</b>	<b>185.15</b>	<b>194.13</b>

### 4. DISCUSSION

Water quality criteria for E. coli in waters designated for recreational use were established by the "State of Tennessee Water Quality Standards, Chapter 0400-40-03, General Water Quality Criteria, 2019 Version" (TDEC 2019). The standard limits the geometric mean for E. coli to 126 colony forming units (cfu)/100ml and limits the sample maximum within a thirty-day period to

941 cfu/100ml. This standard is used as the water quality criteria for the E. coli TMDL target identified in the proposed TMDL document for the Watauga River Watershed (TDEC 2006). Upon instruction from TDEC staff, mpn and cfu are treated as approximate equal units. At the Gap Creek sampling location, the geometric mean (185.15 mpn) for E. coli exceeded the TMDL water quality criteria; however, none of the samples exceeded the sample maximum criteria. Likewise, at Campbell Branch, the geometric mean (194.13 mpn) none of the five samples exceeded the maximum criteria. E. Coli presence fluctuated over the sample period with a standard deviation being over 100 for both tributaries.

According to TDEC's, "Proposed Total Maximum Daily Load (TMDL) for E. Coli in the Watauga River Watershed (HUC 6010103)" (TDEC 2006) document, 3.0 miles of Campbell Branch was impaired for E. Coli. The source of this pollutant was attributed to direct discharge from the MS4 area. The majority of the 2.3 square mile drainage basin is comprised of open grasslands and mix forests. There are however, concentrations of residential homes and other facilities located within the drainage area. Highly developed concentrations of residential developments occur; one just north and west of the sampling location, and another approximately 0.5 miles to the north/northeast of the sampling location. Additionally, there is a mobile home development adjacent (east) to the sample location and new development directly to the west.

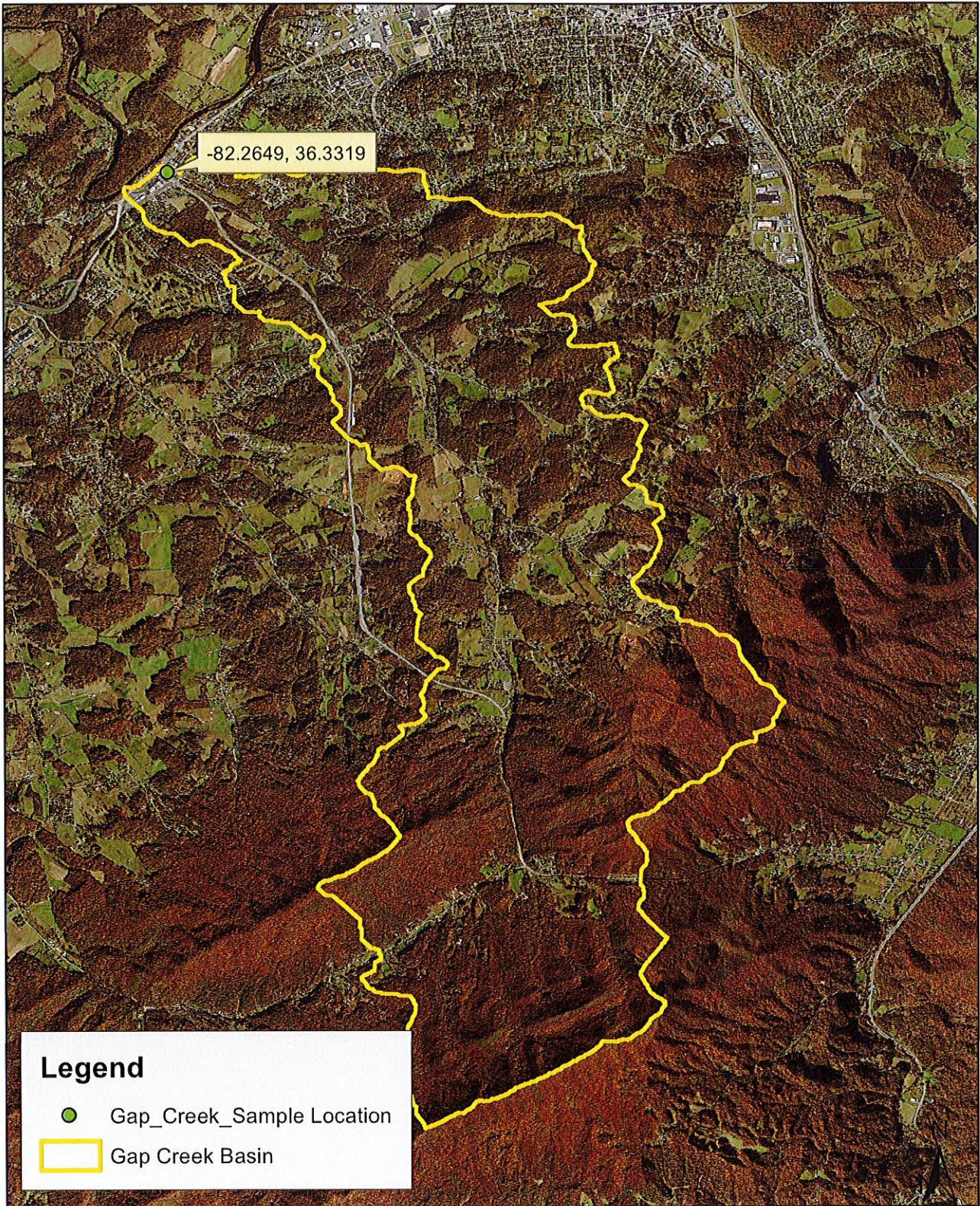
Gap Creek can be characterized in much the same way. However, it is a much larger basin encompassing 10.3 square miles. The watershed above the sampling location is primarily forested, followed by open grassland or pasture. According the TDEC's "Total Maximum Daily Load (TMDL) for E. Coli in the Watauga River Watershed (06010103), 15.93 miles of Gap Creek is impaired for E. Coli. Gap Creek has been cited for E. Coli contamination in City of Elizabethton's 2020 Annual Stormwater Report. Possible pollution sources identified are from discharge from MS4 area, stream bank modification, septic tanks, and pasture grazing.

## 5. REFERENCES

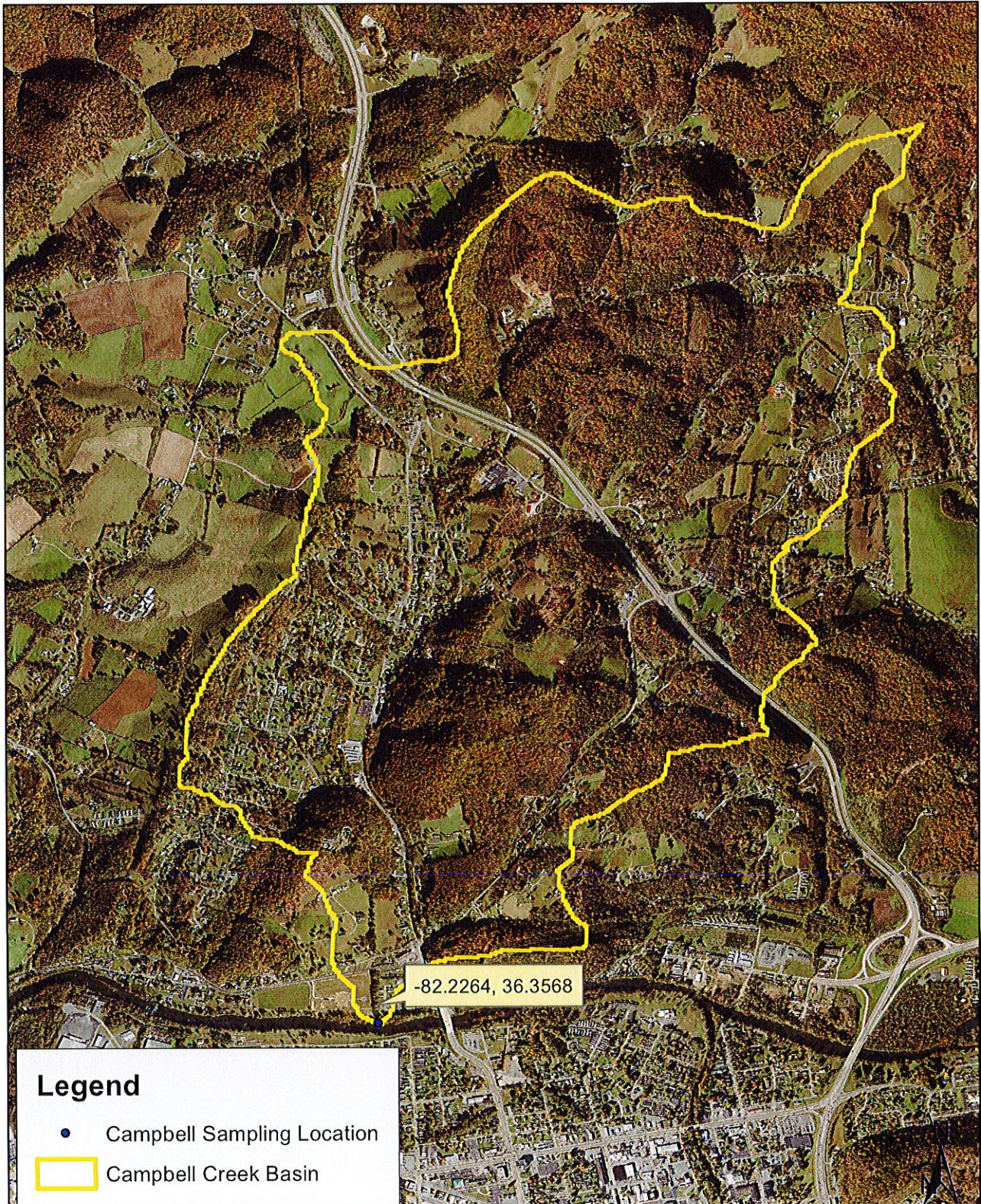
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- Tennessee Department of Environment and Conservation. "State of Tennessee Department of Environment and Conservation Division of Water Pollution Control Quality System Standard Operating Procedure for Chemical and Bacteriological Sampling of Surface Water", 2018.
- Tennessee Department of Environment and Conservation. "State of Tennessee Water Quality Standards, Chapter 0400-40-03, General Water Quality Criteria", v. 2019.

## **APPENDIX A - DRAINAGE BASIN MAPS**

# Gap Creek Basin



# Campbell Creek Basin





**APPENDIX B - LAB RESULTS AND CHAIN OF CUSTODY  
DOCUMENTATION**

115.3 b. 65. 17.9 total - MPN 100 ml 184750

# OAKWOOD SCIENTIFIC LABORATORY

State Certified Bacteriological Water Testina

Please circle one

Bacteria E. coli Enumeration

7102 Pole Green Road  
Mechanicsville, VA 23116  
oakwoodlab@verizon.net

lead, nitrate/nitrite  
chemistry

Rush/email results 48 hrs+\$3: your email

Caleo@bfec.ola

(includes lead, nitrate)

NON-PUBLIC SUPPLY

In 7/20/21 10:25 AM <5°C-RRW

DATE COLLECTED: 7/19 TIME: 12:45

NAME OF CITY OR COUNTY: Carter

## REPORT ON BACTERIOLOGICAL EXAMINATION OF WATER

DO NOT WRITE IN SPACE BELOW.

ADDRESS OF SUPPLY: Sample 2 Gap Creek

SUPPLY OWNED BY: BFEC

SAMPLE COLLECTED BY: Caleb Corwell

SAMPLE WAS TAKEN FROM: Gap Creek (WELL, SPRING TAP, ETC.)

IS SUPPLY CHLORINATED? YES  NO

WAS CHLORINE TEST MADE AT SAMPLING POINT? YES  NO

RES. CL: PPM. REPORT RESULTS TO:

Brushy Fork Engine Mill  
10565 US 421 Tole TN

Telephone 423 727 4476

See reverse side for collection information.

Portion Of Sample Tested	Portion Of Sample Tested	Bact. of Coliform Group	Portion Of Sample Tested	Bact. of Coliform Group	SAMPLE NO
.001 ml.	20 ml.		20 ml.		072021-5
.001 ml.	20 ml.		20 ml.		BFEC
.01 ml.	20 ml.		20 ml.		RECEIVED
.1 ml.	20 ml.		20 ml.		7/20/21
1 ml.	20 ml.		20 ml.		COMPLETED

Membrane Filter \_\_\_\_\_ Califorms per 100 ml.

+ Opposite Portion Tested Means Bacteria Indicating Contamination WERE PRESENT  
-- Means Bacteria Indicating Contamination WERE NOT PRESENT

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*Totale > 24186 MPN/100ml (180) 80  
E. coli Please circle one  
bacteria*

lead, nitrate/nitrite  
chemistry  
(includes lead, nitrate)

Rush/email results 48 hrs+\$3: your email

*Calab D'Efec. Co*

NON-PUBLIC SUPPLY

NAME OF CITY OR COUNTY

DATE COLLECTED *7-19* TIME: *1:03* NAME OF CITY OR COUNTY *Carter*

ADDRESS OF SUPPLY *Cambell Beach*

SUPPLY OWNED BY *B.Fec*

SAMPLE COLLECTED BY *Calab Crowell*

SAMPLE WAS TAKEN FROM *Cambell Beach* (with APPROVAL, etc.)

IS SUPPLY CHLORINATED? YES  NO  WAS CHLORINE TEST MADE AT SAMPLING POINT YES  NO

RES. CL. \_\_\_\_\_ PPM. REPORT RESULTS TO .

*Begins to be Faded out*  
*10565 US 421 - 1st TA*

Telephone *423 727 4476*

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Portion Of Sample Tested	Portion of Sample Tested	Bact. of Coliform Group	Bact. of Coliform Group	SAMPLE NO
2000 ml.	20 ml.			<i>072021-6</i>
.001 ml.	20 ml.			<i>B.Fec</i>
.01 ml.	20 ml.			<i>RECEIVED</i>
.1 ml.	20 ml.			<i>7/20/02</i>
1 ml.	20 ml.			<i>COMPLETED</i>

Membrane Filter \_\_\_\_\_ Califorms per 100 ml.

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- Means Bacteria Indicating Contamination WERE NOT Present

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Total 7268 mpn/100ml 154324  
E.coli: 383 mpn/100ml

Please circle one

bacteria

lead, nitrate/nitrite

chemistry

(includes lead, nitrate)

Rush/email results 48 hrs+\$3: your email

Caleb P Bfec. 011  
In 7/21/21 4:00 PM 25°C RW

NON-PUBLIC SUPPLY

NAME OF CITY OR COUNTY

DATE COLLECTED 7-20 TIME: 10:00

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Portion of Sample Tested	Best of Coliform Group	Portion of Sample Tested	Best of Coliform Group	Sample No
.0001 ml.		20 ml.		072121-33
.001 ml.		20 ml.		Bfec
.01 ml.		20 ml.		RECEIVED
.1 ml.		20 ml.		7/21/21
1 ml.		20 ml.		COMPLETED
				7/22/21

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Membrane Filter \_\_\_\_\_ California per 100 ml.

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- Means Bacteria Indicating Contamination WERE NOT Present

SUPPLY OWNED BY Bfec  
 SAMPLE COLLECTED BY Caleb Cornwell  
 SAMPLE WAS TAKEN FROM Gap Creek (well, approved tap, etc.)  
 IS SUPPLY CHLORINATED? YES  NO   
 WAS CHLORINE TEST MADE AT SAMPLING POINT YES  NO   
 RES. CL. \_\_\_\_\_ PPM. REPORT RESULTS TO .

Brush Fork Environ. M&H  
10565 US 421  
Troble TN  
 Telephone 423 727-4476

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Total 72688 MPN/100 ml  
E. coli 1134 MPN/100 ml  
bacteria 8434

lead, nitrate/nitrite  
chemistry  
(includes lead, nitrate)

Rush/email results 48 hrs+\$3: your email  
Caleb D Bfer. Org  
Caleb D Bfer. Org  
7/21/21 4:00 PM 450 CFU

**REPORT ON BACTERIOLOGICAL EXAMINATION OF WATER**

DATE COLLECTED 7-20 TIME 10:00 COUNTY Carter Co

ADDRESS OF SUPPLY Campbell Creek

SUPPLY OWNED BY BFC

SAMPLE COLLECTED BY Caleb Powell

SAMPLE WAS TAKEN FROM Campbell Creek (using approved tap, etc)

IS SUPPLY CHLORINATED? YES  NO  YES  NO

WAS CHLORINE TEST MADE AT SAMPLING POINT

RES. CL. PPM. REPORT RESULTS TO

Brush Fork Environmental  
10565 US 421  
Trade TN  
Telephone 423 727 4476

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Portion Of Sample Tested	Vol. of Sample Tested	Bact. of Coliform Group	Bact. of Coliform Group	SAMPLE NO
.0001 ml.	20 ml.			072023
.001 ml.	20 ml.			BFC
.01 ml.	20 ml.			RECEIVED
.1 ml.	20 ml.			7/21/21
1 ml.	20 ml.			COMPLETED

Membrane Filter \_\_\_\_\_ Coliforms per 100 ml.

+ Oppose Portion Tested Means Bacteria Indicating Contamination WERE Present  
- Means Bacteria Indicating Contamination WERE NOT Present

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Total 3024.5 mph/pond  
E-APPN 232.5 APP Please circle one  
bacteria 18339

lead, nitrate/nitrite  
chemistry  
(includes lead, nitrate)

Rush/email results 48 hrs+\$3: your email Calco@Bfec.org  
 NON-PUBLIC SUPPLY  
 DATE COLLECTED 7-21 TIME: 9:45 AM 7/22/21 10:45 AM 25C R/W  
 NAME OF CITY OR COUNTY Carter Co  
 ADDRESS OF SUPPLY 6000 Creek  
 SUPPLY OWNED BY B FEC  
 SAMPLE COLLECTED BY Samuel Brusny  
 SAMPLE WAS TAKEN FROM Creek (only approved 1/2, etc.)  
 IS SUPPLY CHLORINATED? YES  NO   
 WAS CHLORINE TEST MADE AT SAMPLING POINT YES  NO   
 RES. CL. PPM REPORT RESULTS TO:  
Brusny Fock Environmental  
10565 us 421  
Trade TN  
 Telephone 423-727-4476  
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Period of Sample Tested	Vol. of Sample Tested	Bact. of Coliform Group	Membr. Filter	Coliforms per 100 ml.
.001 ml.	20 ml.			
.001 ml.	20 ml.			
.01 ml.	20 ml.			
.1 ml.	20 ml.			
1 ml.	20 ml.			

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SAMPLE NO 072221-16  
B FEC  
7/22/21  
 RECEIVED  
 COMPLETED  
7/23/21

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 — Means Bacteria Indicating Contamination WERE NOT Present

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Total 3024.5 MPN/100ml 184339  
E. coli 172 MPN/100ml Please circle one

bacteria

lead, nitrate/nitrite

chemistry

(includes lead, nitrate)

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Rush/email results 48 hrs+\$3: your email

oakwoodlab@verizon.net

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10:02

Call @ BFEC.org

In 7/23/21 10:45 AM

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NAME OF CITY OR COUNTY

Carroll County

Carroll County

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Portion Of Sample Tested	Sort of Coliform	# Portions Sample Tested	Sort of Coliform	Sample No
.001 ml.		20 ml.		072201-17
.001 ml.		20 ml.		BFEC
.01 ml.		20 ml.		RECEIVED
.1 ml.		20 ml.		7/23/21
1 ml.		20 ml.		COMPLETED

Results Based on Confirmed Test Unless Otherwise Specified

DATE COLLECTED: 7/23/21 TIME: 10:45 AM

SUPPLY OWNED BY: Samuel Phillips

SAMPLE COLLECTED BY: Samuel Phillips

SAMPLE WAS TAKEN FROM: Carnesbell Creek (check approved tap, etc.)

IS SUPPLY CHLORINATED? YES  NO

WAS CHLORINE TEST MADE AT SAMPLING POINT? YES  NO

RES. CL. PPM - REPORT RESULTS TO:

Bushy Fork Environmental

10568 US 421

Trade TW

Telephone 423-727-4476

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Membrane Filter \_\_\_\_\_ California per 100 ml.

+ Opposite Póman Tested Means Bacteria Indicating Contamination WERE Present

- Means Bacteria Indicating Contamination WERE NOT Present

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*Totals 72846 MPN/100ml  
Ecoli 102 MPN/100ml*

Please circle one

bacteria

lead, nitrate/nitrite

chemistry

(includes lead, nitrate)

*LSO RW*

Rush/email results 48 hrs+\$3: your email

*7/22/02*

NON-PUBLIC SUPPLY

NAME OF CITY OR COUNTY

**REPORT ON BACTERIOLOGICAL EXAMINATION OF WATER**

DO NOT WRITE IN SPACE BELOW.

DATE COLLECTED *7/22/02* TIME *10:10 AM*

ADDRESS OF SUPPLY *[Redacted]*

SUPPLY OWNED BY *[Redacted]*

SAMPLE COLLECTED FROM *[Redacted]*

SAMPLE WAS TAKEN FROM *[Redacted]*

IS SUPPLY CHLORINATED? YES  NO

WAS CHLORINE TEST MADE AT SAMPLING POINT

RES. CL. *PPM* REPORT RESULTS TO *BFEFC*

*10565 10421*

*T.C. & T.N.*

Telephone *423 207 4476*

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Coliform Group	Membrane Filter	Volume	Coliform Count	MPN	Sample No.
0.001 ml.	1 ml.	20 ml.			072321-7
.001 ml.	1 ml.	20 ml.			BFEFC
.01 ml.	1 ml.	20 ml.			RECEIVED
1 ml.	1 ml.	20 ml.			7/22/02

Membrane Filter \_\_\_\_\_ Coliforms per 100 ml.

COMPLETED *7/27/02*

+ Opposite Pdrmen Tested Means Bacteria Indicating Contamination WERE Present

- Means Bacteria Indicating Contamination WERE NOT Present

Result Based on Confirmed Test Unless Otherwise Specified



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Total 7 2806 MPN/100ml  
E coli 341 MPN/100ml  
Moffatt

Please circle one

bacteria

lead, nitrate/nitrite

chemistry

(includes lead, nitrate)

Rush/email results 48 hrs+\$3: your email Caleb@bfec.org

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Submittal  P

NAME OF CITY OR COUNTY

DATE COLLECTED Jan 7/20/21 TIME 10:10 AM ESC RHW

ADDRESS OF SUPPLY Coleb Brook

SUPPLY OWNED BY Coleb Brook

SAMPLE COLLECTED BY Caleb Colebrook

SAMPLE WAS TAKEN FROM Colebrook Brook

IS SUPPLY CHLORINATED? YES  NO

WAS CHLORINE TEST MADE AT SAMPLING POINT YES  NO

RES. CL. \_\_\_\_\_ PPM. REPORT RESULTS TO \_\_\_\_\_

Brook Fork Enclave #1

10565 US 421

Tob TN

Telephone 423 727 4476

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Portion of Sample Tested	No. of Coliform Group	Portion of Sample Tested	No. of Coliform Group	SAMPLE NO
100 ml.		20 ml.		072321
.001 ml.		20 ml.		BFEC
.01 ml.		20 ml.		RECEIVED
.1 ml.		20 ml.		7/23/21
1 ml.		20 ml.		COMPLETED

Membrane filter \_\_\_\_\_ Coliforms per 100 ml.

+ Opposite Petition Tested Means Bacteria Indicating Contamination WEBS Present

--- Means Bacteria Indicating Contamination WEBS NOI Present

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## Bacteriological Examination of Water

Sample Number: 072021-6 BFEC

Sampled by: Caleb Crowell (Campbell Branch)

Sample Origin: BFEC  
Cambell Branch  
Carter County, TN

## Identification of Coliform Group Bacteria

	Positive	Negative
Total coliforms	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
E. coli	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Colilert-18 MPN = 325 E. coli coliforms per 100 ml.

- Test results indicate the sample is free of coliform group bacteria, thus is satisfactory for drinking water. Total coliforms, fecal coliforms and E. coli are absent and passes the potability test required by EPA.
- Test results indicate the sample contains coliform group bacteria, thus may not be satisfactory for drinking water supply.

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## Bacteriological Examination of Water

Sample Number: 072021-5 BFEC

Sampled by: Caleb Crowell (Gap Creek)

Sample Origin: BFEC  
Sample 2 Gap Creek  
Carter County, TN

## Identification of Coliform Group Bacteria

	Positive	Negative
Total coliforms	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
E. coli	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Colilert-18 MPN = 177 E. coli coliforms per 100 ml.

Test results indicate the sample is free of coliform group bacteria, thus is satisfactory for drinking water. Total coliforms, fecal coliforms and E. coli are absent and passes the potability test required by EPA.

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Date: 7/24/2021

## Bacteriological Examination of Water

Sample Number: 072121-34 BFEC

Sampled by: Caleb Crowell (Campbell Branch)

Sample Origin: BFEC  
Campbell Branch  
Carter County, TN

## Identification of Coliform Group Bacteria

	Positive	Negative
Total coliforms	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
E. coli	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Colilert-18 MPN = 113 E. coli coliforms per 100 ml.

- Test results indicate the sample is free of coliform group bacteria, thus is satisfactory for drinking water. Total coliforms, fecal coliforms and E. coli are absent and passes the potability test required by EPA.
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Date: 7/24/2021

## Bacteriological Examination of Water

Sample Number: 072121-33 BFEC

Sampled by: Caleb Crowell (Gap Creek)

Sample Origin: BFEC  
Sample 2 Gap Creek  
Carter County, TN

## Identification of Coliform Group Bacteria

	Positive	Negative
Total coliforms	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
E. coli	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Colilert-18 MPN = 383 E. coli coliforms per 100 ml.

Test results indicate the sample is free of coliform group bacteria, thus is satisfactory for drinking water. Total coliforms, fecal coliforms and E. coli are absent and passes the potability test required by EPA.

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Date: 7/24/2021

## Bacteriological Examination of Water

Sample Number: 072221-17 BFEC

Sampled by: Samuel Phillips

Sample Origin: BFEC  
Campbell Branch  
Carter County, TN

## Identification of Coliform Group Bacteria

	Positive	Negative
Total coliforms	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
E. coli	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Colilert-18 MPN =172 E. coli coliforms per 100 ml.

- Test results indicate the sample is free of coliform group bacteria, thus is satisfactory for drinking water. Total coliforms, fecal coliforms and E. coli are absent and passes the potability test required by EPA.
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Date: 7/24/2021

## Bacteriological Examination of Water

Sample Number: 072221-16 BFEC

Sampled by: Samuel Phillips

Sample Origin: BFEC  
Gap Creek  
Carter County, TN

## Identification of Coliform Group Bacteria

	Positive	Negative
Total coliforms	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
E. coli	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Colilert-18 MPN = 232 E. coli coliforms per 100 ml.

- Test results indicate the sample is free of coliform group bacteria, thus is satisfactory for drinking water. Total coliforms, fecal coliforms and E. coli are absent and passes the potability test required by EPA.
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Date: 7/27/2021

## Bacteriological Examination of Water

Sample Number: 072321-8 BFEC

Sampled by: Samuel Phillips 7/22/21 10:20am

Sample Origin: BFEC  
Campbell Branch  
Carter County, TN

## Identification of Coliform Group Bacteria

	Positive	Negative
Total coliforms	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
E. coli	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Colilert-18 MPN = 341 E. coli coliforms per 100 ml.

- Test results indicate the sample is free of coliform group bacteria, thus is satisfactory for drinking water. Total coliforms, fecal coliforms and E. coli are absent and passes the potability test required by EPA.
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Date: 7/27/2021

## Bacteriological Examination of Water

Sample Number: 072321-7 BFEC

Sampled by: Samuel Phillips 7/22/21 10:49am

Sample Origin: BFEC  
Gap Creek  
Carter County, TN

## Identification of Coliform Group Bacteria

	Positive	Negative
Total coliforms	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
E. coli	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Colilert-18 MPN = 162 E. coli coliforms per 100 ml.

- Test results indicate the sample is free of coliform group bacteria, thus is satisfactory for drinking water. Total coliforms, fecal coliforms and E. coli are absent and passes the potability test required by EPA.
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## Bacteriological Examination of Water

Sample Number: 080521-15 BFEC

Sampled by: Caleb Cromell 8/4/21 11:15am

Sample Origin: BFEC  
Campbell Branch  
Carter County, TN

## Identification of Coliform Group Bacteria

	Positive	Negative
Total coliforms	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
E. coli	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Colilert-18 MPN = 128 E. coli coliforms per 100 ml.

- Test results indicate the sample is free of coliform group bacteria, thus is satisfactory for drinking water. Total coliforms, fecal coliforms and E. coli are absent and passes the potability test required by EPA.
- Test results indicate the sample contains coliform group bacteria, thus may not be satisfactory for drinking water supply.

The above services were performed and the report prepared in accordance with accepted laboratory practices, and makes no other warranties, either expressed or implied, as to the professional advice provided herein.

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**Bacteriological Examination of Water**

Sample Number: 080521-14 BFEC

Sampled by: Caleb Cromell 8/4/21 10:58am

Sample Origin: BFEC  
Gap Creek  
Carter County, TN

**Identification of Coliform Group Bacteria**

	Positive	Negative
Total coliforms	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
E. coli	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Colilert-18 <u>MPN = 85.4</u> E. coli coliforms per 100 ml.		

- Test results indicate the sample is free of coliform group bacteria, thus is satisfactory for drinking water. Total coliforms, fecal coliforms and E. coli are absent and passes the potability test required by EPA.
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**RE:** Habitat and Siltation Monitoring - Carter County TN

Mr. Scheuttler:

Please find the enclosed report: Habitat and Siltation Assessment - Carter County, Tennessee. This habitat assessment was performed for a reach of Davis Branch during the month of August 2021. Davis Branch scored a TMI of 10, which fails to meet the Target Macroinvertebrate Index for Bioregion 67fghi (TMI) of 32. Also, Davis Branch scored (93.5) under the Habitat Assessment Score threshold of 123 for Moderate to High Gradient Streams in Ecoregion 67f (TDEC 2017).

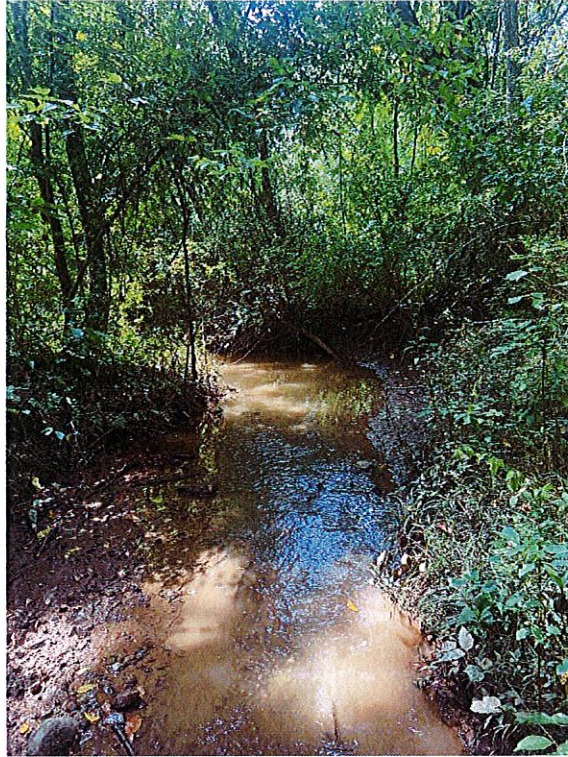
If you have any questions or need additional information, please be in touch.

Sincerely,

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**Habitat and Siltation Stream Monitoring- Carter County, Tennessee  
Assessment and Results – August 2021**



Davis Branch 8/27/2021

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## 1. SCOPE OF SERVICES

Brushy Fork Environmental Consulting, Inc. (BFEC) staff performed a habitat and siltation assessment, including macroinvertebrate sampling, for one (1) stream reach in Carter County, TN; Davis Branch (TN06010103008-0400). BFEC staff completed this assessment using the Semi-Quantitative Single Habitat (SQSH) method as defined by the Tennessee Department of Environment and Conservation's (TDEC) "Quality System Standard Operating Procedure for Macroinvertebrate Stream Survey (rev 2017)". BFEC staff collected the one (1) sample on August 27<sup>th</sup>, 2021, at the stream location.

This project report presents sampling results with analysis and comments pertinent to the Watauga River Watershed TMDL for Siltation and Habitat Alteration (TDEC 2006).

## 2. MATERIALS AND METHODS

### 2.1 Methods

Following the Standard Operating Procedure (SOP) outlined by TDEC for the SQSH method (TDEC 2017), BFEC staff selected a sample site for the streams reach within 200 meters (m) of previously sampled locations and the exact location of the previous year's sampling. This previous sampling location (2017) was identified through the United States Environmental Protection Agency (US EPA) STORET database. The sample taken in August of 2021 was within 200 meters of the TDEC sampling point provided in 2017. General information about the sampling site is given in Table 1. The sampling location within each stream's respective drainage basin is presented on Drainage Basin Maps given in Appendix A.

**Table1: Sampling Locations**

	<b>Station ID</b>	<b>Station Name</b>	<b>Organization ID</b>	<b>Level IV Ecoregion</b>	<b>EPA STORET Lat./Long.</b>	<b>Sampling Lat./Long.</b>
<b>Davis Branch</b>	DAVIS000.9CT	Davis Branch	TDECWR_WQX	67f	36.3666, -82.1849	36.36627475, -82.18460095

A Semi-Quantitative Riffle Kick (SQKICK) survey of benthic macroinvertebrates was conducted on August 27<sup>th</sup>, 2021. A one (1) meter, 500 micron mesh net was used for SQKICK sampling. The administered kicks took place at a slow and fast velocity location. One (1) riffle kick and one (1) pool kick was completed. After disturbing the substrate, sufficient time was allotted to allow for the organisms to float downstream into the net.

Following this, the staff member responsible for kicking proceeded to carefully extract the netted sample from the channel. The contents of the kick samples were sifted through a sampling tray with forceps. The organisms were directly transferred to a sealable container which contained a 95% ethyl-alcohol solution, as per the guidance of Pennington and Associates, Inc., who performed the taxonomic identification of the samples. Each sample was labeled with an internal tag with the following information: station ID, date, time, sampler's initials, and sample type. An external tag was also attached which contained the information previously



stated, with the addition of the location. The preserved samples were then packaged in an air-tight container, triple bagged, and placed into a temperature controlled styrofoam box provided by UPS. The samples were sent by ground to Pennington & Associates, Inc., in Cookeville, Tennessee.

A Habitat Assessment was performed concurrent with macroinvertebrate sampling using the Habitat Assessment Field Sheet and Protocol (TDEC 2017). This scoring metric was used to assess in-stream and riparian habitat and rate it's potential to support a healthy benthic ecosystem. Prior to the SQKICK survey, staff members completed the Habitat Assessment Field Sheet – Moderate to High Gradient Streams. Habitat Assessment Field Sheet and Macroinvertebrate Assessment Report for each sampling location is given in Appendix B.

Finally, the field crew described reach conditions at and near each sampling location using the DWR Stream Survey Sheet, as specified in TDEC 2017. An Aqua TROLL 500 Multiparameter Sonde was used to collect a discrete measurement of water chemistry attributes: pH, Conductivity ( $\mu$ ), Temperature ( $^{\circ}$ C), and Dissolved Oxygen (ppm). Prior to taking discrete measurements, the instrument was calibrated for the previously stated parameters. Physical stream characteristics including riparian and in-stream attributes were described for approximately 200m -400 m of stream reach at each sampling location. These include riparian land use and canopy cover, stream size and substrate content, and additional qualitative descriptions of water quality pertinent to turbidity, sedimentation, and algal presence. DWR Stream Survey Sheet for the sampling location is given in Appendix C. Site photosheets documenting conditions at the sampling location are given in Appendix D.

## **2.2 Laboratory Analysis**

Pennington & Associates, Inc. identified the collected organisms at the genus level, except for the families noted on TDEC's Standard Operating Procedure. BFEC was provided with taxonomic information which included order, family, and genus. Pennington & Associates, Inc. also calculated the following metrics: total number of organisms, total number of taxa, EPT, % EPT-CHEUM, % OC, NCBI, % clingers, percent TNUTOL (definitions are provided below); BFEC performed quality control calculations for all metrics. The lab has retained the samples and will hold them for the required length of time. The Tennessee Macroinvertebrate Index (TMI) was calculated by BFEC based on bioregion 67f reference information, which was verified in the 2017 TDEC QSSOP Macroinvertebrate Stream Surveys Report.

## Definitions

The definitions and terminology used in this report are consistent with the definitions given in the TDEC "Quality System Standard Operating Procedure for Macroinvertebrate Stream Survey (rev 2017)".

### Taxa Richness, TR

Total the number of distinct genera found in the subsample. Taxa that could only be identified to family are included only if it is probable that they are distinct from other taxa identified to genus within the family. (Document on taxa list if an unidentified organism is determined to be a distinct taxon.)

### Ephemeroptera Plecoptera Trichoptera Richness, EPT

Total the number of genera within the orders Ephemeroptera, Plecoptera and Trichoptera. Taxa that could only be identified to family are included only if they are the only taxon found in that family or it is probable that they are distinct from other taxa identified to genus within the family. (Document on taxa list if an unidentified organism is determined to be a distinct taxon.)

### EPT Abundance excluding *Cheumatopsyche* spp., % EPT-Cheum

$$\% \text{ EPT} = \frac{\text{Total Ephemeroptera} + \text{Plecoptera} + \text{Trichoptera} - \text{Cheumatopsyche}}{\text{Total number of individuals in the subsample}} \times 100$$

### Percent Oligochaetes and Chironomids, %OC

$$\% \text{OC} = \frac{\text{Total number of Oligochaeta} + \text{Chironomidae}}{\text{Total number of individuals in the subsample}} \times 100$$

### North Carolina Biotic Index, NCBI

This index includes tolerance scores from other indices found in EPA Rapid Bioassessment Protocol for Streams when no value is available for NC.

Family value is to be assigned when there is no genus level tolerance value.

$$\text{NCBI} = \frac{\sum x_i t_i}{N \text{ (exclusive if no } t_i)}$$

where:  $x_i$  = number of individuals within a taxon

$t_i$  = tolerance value of a taxon

$N$  = total number of individuals in the subsample that have been assigned a tolerance value (exclude animals for which no tolerance value is assigned see following note).

### % Clingers

Percent contribution of organisms (primary for genus) that build fixed retreats or have adaptations to attach to surfaces in flowing water.

$$\% \text{ Clingers} = \frac{\text{Total number of clinger individuals}}{\text{Total individuals in the sample}} \times 100$$

## Percent Nutrient Tolerant Organisms, % TNUTOL

% TNUTOL = 100 x

$$\frac{\text{Total of Cheumatopsyche, Stenelmis, Polypedilum, Cricotopus, Cricotopus/Orthocladius, Lirceus, Caenis, Elimia, Nais, Dero, Undetermined (immature) Tubificidae individuals}}{\text{Total individuals in the sample}}$$

## Tennessee Macroinvertebrate Index, TMI

After calculating values for the seven biometrics, equalize the data by assigning a score of 0, 2, 4 or 6 based on comparison to the ecoregion reference database for the bioregion and stream size. Total the seven scores to calculate the TMI (Tennessee Macroinvertebrate Index). A score of 32 or higher is considered to pass biocriteria guidelines.

Bioregion 67f reference table (TDEC 2017) was used to assess the biometric calculations; it is presented below in Table 2.

Table 2: Bioregion Reference Values (taken from TDEC 2017)

Bioregion 67fghi		Method = SQKICK		
Season: July-December		Drainage > 2.5 sq miles		
Target TMI = 32		Genus Level Identification		
Scoring calibrated to 160-240 organism sample				
Metric	6	4	2	0
Taxa Richness (TR)	> 26	18 – 26	9 – 17	< 9
EPT Richness (EPT)	> 10	7 – 10	4 – 6	< 4
% EPT-Cheum	> 43.5	29.1 – 43.5	14.5 – 29.0	< 14.5
% OC	< 27.0	27.0 – 51.3	51.4 – 75.6	> 75.6
NCBI	< 5.26	5.26 – 6.83	6.84 – 8.42	> 8.42
% Clingers-Cheum	> 53.5	35.7 – 53.5	17.9 – 35.6	< 17.9
% TNutol	< 33.2	33.2 – 55.4	55.5 – 77.7	> 77.7

## 3. RESULTS

### Davis Branch

The stream reach at the sampling location was approximately 1.5m wide and ranged from approximately 0.1m to 0.6m deep, at riffles and runs/pools respectively. Stream gradient and flow conditions were described as moderate. Substrate in pools was dominated by Silt and Muck-Mud. These substrates constituted a relatively large portion of riffles and runs as well. Some cobbles and gravels occurred in riffles and run features. Deposits of Sludge and Muck-Mud were noted as excessive at the reach and turbidity was estimated as high. Water chemistry was characterized by a pH of 7.95, conductivity 210.68 µS/cm, water temperature 28.89°C, and dissolved oxygen was measured at 5.37ppm.

The riparian corridor lacks developed trees and shade in most areas of Davis Branch; mean canopy cover within the sampling reach, visually estimated, in the riparian corridor was 52%. The right descending bank of Davis Branch parallels TN-91 (New Stoney Creek Rd.) all the way to the confluence with the Watauga River. The left descending bank of Davis Branch parallels impervious surfaces including Elizabethton US Army National Guard Recruiting center, A-1 Auto

Car and Tire Center, Kimbo's American Restaurant, and the Elizabethton Corrugated Sheet Plant. Upstream land use is dominated by an impoundment and impervious surfaces/drainage from TN-91 and Elizabethton Municipal Airport. Human disturbances to the stream noted as "high" included urban uses, an upstream impoundment, road/hwy, and riparian loss. (Appendices A, D)

Epifaunal Substrate and Available Cover scored as sub-optimal since habitat is present, however, heavy siltation was observed along the sub-reach. Gravel is surrounded by mud and silt, resulting in a poor score for Embeddedness of Riffles. Channel Alteration scored optimally due to the presence of bends and some channelization, however there is an impoundment located upstream of the sampling reach which impacts flow and sedimentation. Sediment Deposition, and Frequency of Re-oxygenation Zones scored poor, along with Vegetative Protection on both banks. The Habitat Assessment of Davis Branch yielded a total score of **93.5** (below the guideline score of 123) for maintaining protective habitat in subregion 67f (TDEC 2017), see Appendix B).

BFEC staff noted the probable cause for relatively low scoring is caused by channel alteration, significant upstream impoundment, and siltation in the stream channel (Appendix B)

Biometric calculations and corresponding Bioregion 67fghi values for Davis Branch are given in Table 3. The total score for Davis Branch was 10, which is below the TMI target of 32 for the Bioregion. Biometric reference scoring was low except for %OC and total number of taxa. Lack of riparian cover, flow, and muck siltation seems to be excluding EPT taxa, clingers, and other intolerant taxa. Platyhelminthes, specifically *Girardia sp.*, accounted for 22% of the total number of organisms at the site. *Girardia sp.* are typically found in warm ponds, lakes, and rivers.

**Table 3. Macroinvertebrate Metrics - Davis Branch**

Biometrics		Bioregion Reference Value
TOTAL NO. OF ORGANISMS	238	
TOTAL NO. OF TAXA	19	4
EPT	2	0
% EPT-CHEUM	0.84%	0
%OC	49.58%	4
NCBI	8.43	0
% CLINGERS-CHEUM	6.30%	0
%TNUTOL	56.30%	2
TMI Bioregion 67fghi	Target TMI	32
TMI	TOTAL	10

#### 4. DISCUSSION

Davis Branch failed to meet the Target Tennessee Macroinvertebrate Index (TMI) of 32, and

scored far below the TMI target and Habitat Assessment thresholds (Ecoregion 67f) set by TDEC (2017), indicating the stream reach is impaired and not fully supporting its designated use of "Fish, Shellfish, and Wildlife Protection and propagation".

Davis Creek (06010103008\_0400) is experiencing habitat loss due to stream flow alteration and alteration in stream-side or littoral vegetation cover. The sources of pollution are attributed to discharge from MS4 area and upstream detention (TDEC 2006).

The low flow, heavy siltation, and habitat loss highlighted by the Habitat Assessment contribute to the low TMI score present at Davis Branch.

## 5. REFERENCES

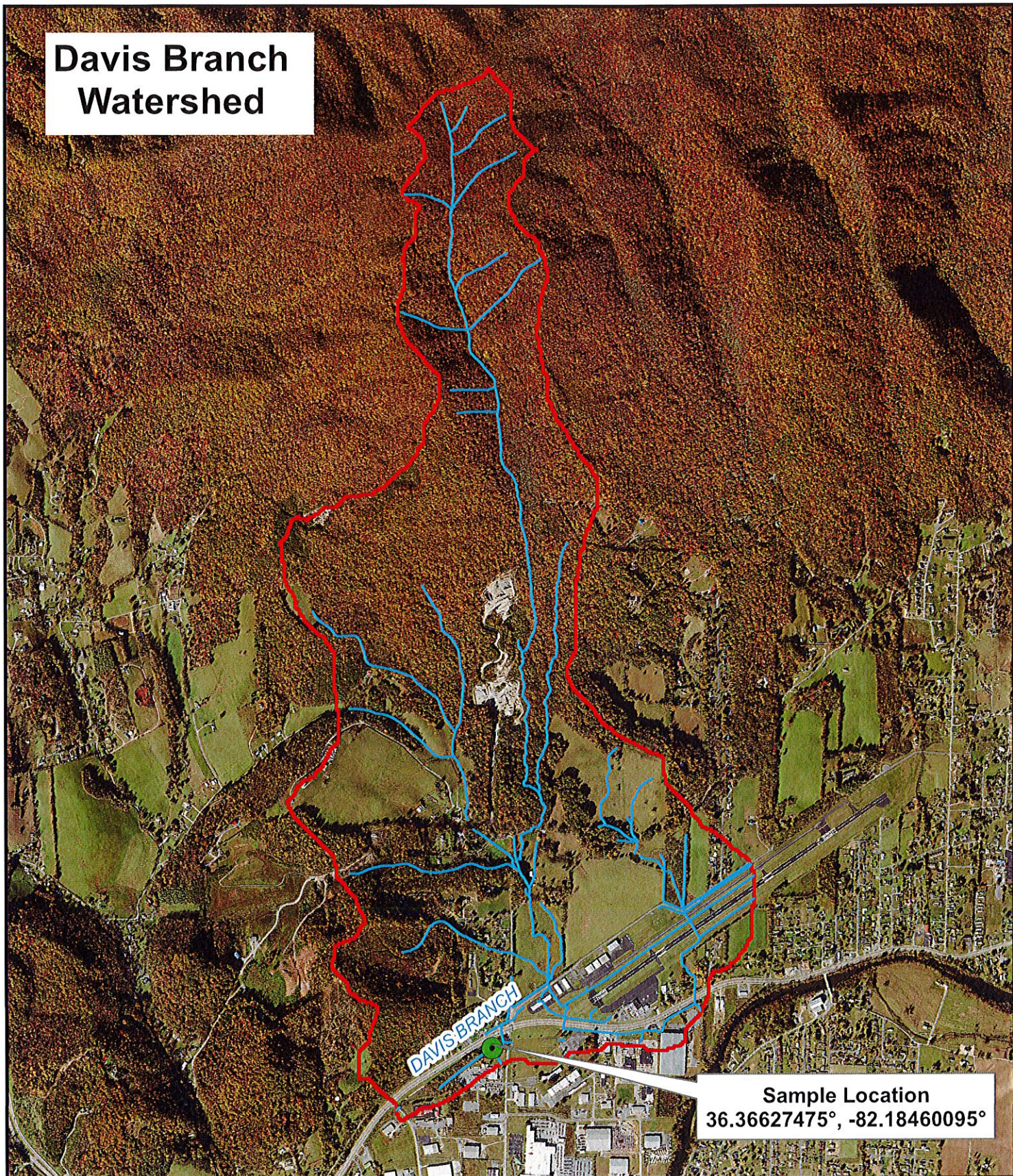
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## **APPENDIX A - DRAINAGE BASIN MAPS**

# Davis Branch Watershed



-  Streams
-  Watershed  
±1052 acres





## **APPENDIX B - HABITAT ASSESSMENT FIELD SHEETS**

**HABITAT ASSESSMENT FIELD SHEET- MODERATE TO HIGH GRADIENT STREAMS (FRONT)**  
 (See Protocol E for detailed descriptions and rank information)

<b>DWR Station ID:</b> Davis 000.9CT		<b>Habitat Assessment By:</b> Josselyn Lucas & Sarah Kilby		
Monitoring Location Name: Davis Branch		<b>Date:</b> 08/27/2021		<b>Time:</b> 12:50pm
Monitoring Location: SR 91		<b>Field Log Number:</b>		
HUC: 06010103008		WS Group: #1	Ecoregion: 67f	QC: <input type="checkbox"/> Duplicate <input type="checkbox"/> Consensus
	<b>Optimal</b>	<b>Suboptimal</b>	<b>Marginal</b>	<b>Poor</b>
<b>1. Epifaunal Substrate/ Available Cover</b>	Over 70% of stream reach has natural stable habitat suitable for colonization by fish and/or macroinvertebrates. Four or more productive habitats are present.	Natural stable habitat covers 40-70% of stream reach. Three or more productive habitats present. (If near 70% and more than 3 go to optimal.)	Natural stable habitat covers 20 -40% of stream reach or only 1-2 productive habitats present. (If near 40% and more than 2 go to suboptimal.)	Less than 20% stable habitat; lack of habitat is obvious; substrate unstable or lacking.
<b>SCORE</b>	20 19 18 17 16	15 14 13 12 11	10 9 8 7 6	5 4 3 2 1
<b>Comments</b>	Habitat is present but not optimal, as there is heavy siltation on the sub-reach			
<b>2.Embeddedness of Riffles</b>	Gravel, cobble, and boulders 0-25% surrounded by fine sediment. Layering of cobble provides diversity of niche space. If near 25% drop to suboptimal if riffle not layered cobble.	Gravel, cobble and boulders 25-50% surrounded by fine sediment. Niches in bottom layers of cobble compromised. If near 50% & riffles not layered cobble drop to marginal.	Gravel, cobble, and boulders are 50-75% surrounded by fine sediment. Niche space in middle layers of cobble is starting to fill with fine sediment.	Gravel, cobble, and boulders are more than 75% surrounded by fine sediment. Niche space is reduced to a single layer or is absent.
<b>SCORE</b>	20 19 18 17 16 15.5	15 14 13 12 11	10 9 8 7 6	5 4 3 2 1
<b>Comments</b>	Gravel is present but so is mud and silt. No submerged vegetation or root mats.			
<b>3. Velocity/ Depth Regime</b>	All four velocity/depth regimes present (slow-deep, slow-shallow, fast-deep, fast-shallow).	Only 3 of the 4 regimes present (if fast-shallow is missing score lower). If slow-deep missing score 15.	Only 2 of the 4 habitat regimes present (if fast-shallow or slow-shallow are missing, score low).	Dominated by 1 velocity/depth regime. Others regimes too small or infrequent to support aquatic populations.
<b>SCORE</b>	20 19 18 17 16	15 14 13 12 11	10 9 8 7 6	5 4 3 2 1
<b>Comments</b>	Only fast-shallow and slow-deep were observed			
<b>4. Sediment Deposition</b>	Sediment deposition affects less than 5% of stream bottom in quiet areas. New deposition on islands and point bars is absent or minimal.	Sediment deposition affects 5-30% of stream bottom. Slight deposition in pool or slow areas. Some new deposition on islands and point bars. Move to marginal if build-up approaches 30%.	Sediment deposition affects 30-50% of stream bottom. Sediment deposits at obstruction, constrictions and bends. Moderate pool deposition.	Heavy deposits of fine material, increased bar development; more than 50% of the bottom changing frequently; pools almost absent due to substantial sediment deposition.
<b>SCORE</b>	20 19 18 17 16	15 14 13 12 11	10 9 8 7 6 5.5	5 4 3 2 1
<b>Comments</b>	Moderate to heavy deposits on some areas of bottom. More clear of fines, difficult to see due to turbidity.			
<b>5. Channel Flow Status.</b>	Water reaches base of both lower banks and streambed is covered by water throughout reach. Minimal productive habitat is exposed.	Water covers > 75% of streambed or 25% of productive habitat is exposed.	Water covers 25-75% of streambed and/or productive habitat is mostly exposed.	Very little water in channel and mostly present as standing pools. Little or no productive habitat due to lack of water.
<b>SCORE</b>	20 19 18 17 16	15 14 13 12 11	10 9 8 7 6	5 4 3 2 1
<b>Comments</b>				

**HABITAT ASSESSMENT FIELD SHEET- MODERATE TO HIGH GRADIENT STREAMS (BACK)**

DWR Station ID <u>Davis 000.9CT</u>		Date <u>8/27/2021</u>		Assessors <u>JKL/SDK</u>	
	<b>Optimal</b>	<b>Suboptimal</b>	<b>Marginal</b>	<b>Poor</b>	
<b>6. Channel Alteration</b>	Channelization, dredging rock removal or 4-wheel activity (past or present) absent or minimal; natural meander pattern. NO artificial structures in reach. Upstream or downstream structures do not affect reach.	Channelization, dredging or 4-wheel activity up to 40%. Channel has stabilized. If larger reach, channelization is historic and stable. Artificial structures in or out of reach do not affect natural flow patterns.	Channelization, dredging or 4-wheel activity 40-80% (or less that has not stabilized.) Artificial structures in or out of reach may have slight affect.	Over 80% of reach channelized, dredged or affected by 4-wheelers. Instream habitat greatly altered or removed. Artificial structures have greatly affected flow pattern.	
SCORE	20 19 18 17 16 <b>15.5</b>	15 14 13 12 11	10 9 8 7 6	5 4 3 2 1	
Comments	Some areas are straight, and some bends and channelization. Impoundment is located upstream of the reach.				
<b>7. Frequency of re-oxygenation zones.</b> Use frequency of riffle or bends for category. Rank by quality.	Occurrence of re-oxygenation zones relatively frequent; ratio of distance between areas divided by average stream width <7:1.	Occurrence of re-oxygenation zones infrequent; distance between areas divided by average stream width is 7 - 15.	Occasional re-oxygenation area. The distance between areas divided by average stream width is over 15 and up to 25.	Generally all flat water or flat bedrock; little opportunity for re-oxygenation. Distance between areas divided by average stream width >25.	
SCORE	20 19 18 17 16	15 14 13 12 11	10 9 8 7 6	<b>5</b> 4 3 2 1	
Comments	1 or 2 reoxygenation zones were observed within the reach.				
<b>8. Bank Stability</b> (score each bank) Determine left or right side by facing downstream.	Banks stable; evidence of erosion or bank failure absent or minimal; little potential for future problems <5% of bank affected.	Moderately stable; infrequent, small areas of erosion mostly healed over. 5-30% of bank in reach has areas of erosion. If approaching 30% score marginal if banks steep.	Moderately unstable; 30-60 % of bank in reach has areas of erosion; high erosion potential during floods, If approaching 60% score poor if banks steep.	Unstable; many eroded area; raw areas frequent along straight sections and bends; obvious bank sloughing; 60-100% of bank has erosional scars.	
SCORE (LB)	Left Bank 10 9	8 <b>7</b> 6	5 4 3	2 1 0	
SCORE (RB)	Right Bank 10 9	8 <b>7</b> 6	5 4 3	2 1 0	
Comments	Minimal erosion and lower areas without vegetation have formed a floodplain bench.				
<b>9. Vegetative Protective</b> (score each bank) includes vegetation from top of bank to base of bank. Determine left or right side by facing downstream	More than 90% of the bank covered by undisturbed vegetation. All 4 classes (mature trees, understory trees, shrubs, groundcover) are represented and allowed to grow naturally. All plants are native.	70-90% of the bank covered by undisturbed vegetation. One class may not be well represented. Disruption evident but not effecting full plant growth. Non-natives are rare (< 30%)	50-70% of the bank covered by undisturbed vegetation. Two classes of vegetation may not be well represented. Non-native vegetation may be common (30-50%).	Less than 50% of the bank covered by undisturbed vegetation or more than 2 classes are not well represented or most vegetation has been cropped. Non-native vegetation may dominate (> 50%)	
SCORE (LB)	Left Bank 10 9	8 7 6	5 4 3	<b>2</b> 1 0	
SCORE (RB)	Right Bank 10 9	8 7 6	5 4 3	<b>2</b> 1 0	
Comments	Classes well				
<b>10. Riparian Vegetative Zone Width</b> (score each bank.) Zone begins at top of bank.	Average width of riparian zone > 18 meters. Unpaved footpaths may score 9 if run-off potential is negligible.	Average width of riparian zone 12-18 meters. Score high if areas < 18 meters are small or are minimally disturbed.	Average width of riparian zone 6-11 meters. Score high if areas less than 12 meters are small or are minimally disturbed.	Average width of riparian zone <6 meters. Score high if areas less than 6 meters are small or are minimally disturbed.	
SCORE (LB)	Left Bank 10 <b>9</b>	8 7 6	5 4 3	2 1 0	
SCORE (RB)	Right Bank 10 9	8 7 <b>6</b>	5 4 3	2 1 0	
Comments	Riparian zone is wide in some forested areas, but there are large sections of 0m riparian widths withing the reach. TN Hwy 91 at right bank.				

Total Score 93.5 Comparison to Ecoregion Guidelines (circle): ABOVE or **BELOW**  
 If score is below guidelines , result of (circle): Natural Conditions or **Human Disturbance**  
 Describe: Significant impoundment upstream causing sedimentation, high temperature, and lack of biodiversity.

## **APPENDIX C - DWR STREAM SURVEY FIELD SHEETS**

**STREAM SURVEY INFORMATION**

<b>DWR Station ID:</b> Davis000.9CT	<b>Samplers:</b> JOSSELYN LUCAS, SARAH KILBY	
<b>Monitoring Location Name:</b> DAVIS BRANCH	<b>Date:</b> 8.27.21	<b>Time:</b> 1:22 PM
<b>Monitoring Location:</b> SR 91	<b>Organization:</b> BFEC	<b>Drainage Area:</b>
<b>County:</b> CARTER	<b>Ecoregion:</b> 66e	<b>u/s ECO:</b>
<b>Latitude:</b> 36.366380	<b>HUC:</b> 06010103008	<b>WS Grp:</b> #1
<b>Longitude:</b> -82.184524	<b>WBID:</b> TN06010103008-0400	<b>Field Log #:</b>

Project Name:  Watershed  303(d)  Antideg  ECO  FECO **Other:**

Project ID: TNPR

Activity Type:  Sample  QC Sample  Habitat  QC habitat  QC ID

Sample Status:  Collected  Seasonally Dry  Frequently Dry  No Channel  
 Too Deep (Not Wadeable)  Too Deep (Temporary)  Permanent Barrier  Fenced  
 Landowner Denial:  Temporary Barrier  Posted Plan to revisit?  Yes  No

Flow Conditions:  Dry  Isolated Pools  Stagnant  Low  Moderate  High  Bankful  Flooding

Sample	Collected?	Comment	Sample	Collected?	Comment
Biorecon	No		Periphyton		
SQKICK	Yes		Other		
SQBANK	No		Describe Other Sample:		

Chemicals/Bacteria:  None  Routine  Nutrient  Metals  *E. coli*  Organics  Other \_\_\_\_\_

Field Parameters: Meter(s) Used: Aqua TROLL 500 Multi-parameter Sonde

pH (su)	7.96		Dissolved Oxygen %		
Conductivity (umhos)	210.69		Turbidity (NTU)		
Temperature (C°)	28.89		TDS (mg/L)		
Dissolved Oxygen (ppm = mg/L)	5.38		Flow (cfs)		

Meter Problems? None. Meter was calibrated prior to use on 8/27/2021.

Photos Taken?  No  Yes: Description: Downstream, upstream, left riparian cover, and right bank riparian cover.

Previous 48 hours precipitation:  Unknown  None  Slight  Moderate  Heavy  Flooding

Air Temperature (°F) <sup>90</sup> \_\_\_\_\_

**Physical Characteristics & Light Penetration:**

Gradient (sample reach): <input type="checkbox"/> Flat <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Low <input type="checkbox"/> Moderate <input type="checkbox"/> High <input type="checkbox"/> Cascades
Average Stream Width: <input type="checkbox"/> Very Small (<1.5yd) <input type="checkbox"/> Small (1.5-3yd) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Med. (3-10yd) <input type="checkbox"/> Large (10-25yd) <input type="checkbox"/> Very Large (>25yd)
Maximum Stream Depth: <input type="checkbox"/> Shallow (<0.3yd) <input type="checkbox"/> Medium (0.3-0.6yd) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Deep (0.6 – 1yd) <input type="checkbox"/> Very Deep(>1yd)
% Canopy Cover Estimated for Reach: _____ %
% Canopy Cover Measured (mid-reach): _____ u/s + _____ d/s + _____ LDB + _____ RDB = Total/384*100 _____

**Channel Characteristics:** 6 inches to 2 foot average

Bank Height: 0.17-0.67 (yd.) High Water Mark: 1 yard (yd.)
Bank Slope LDB: <input type="checkbox"/> Deeply incised <input type="checkbox"/> Bluff/Wall <input type="checkbox"/> Undercut <input type="checkbox"/> Sloughing <input type="checkbox"/> Steep terrain <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Gentle Slope
Bank Slope RDB: <input type="checkbox"/> Deeply incised <input type="checkbox"/> Bluff/Wall <input type="checkbox"/> Undercut <input type="checkbox"/> Sloughing <input type="checkbox"/> Steep terrain <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Gentle Slope
Manmade Modification: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> None <input type="checkbox"/> Rip-Rap <input type="checkbox"/> Cement <input type="checkbox"/> Gabions <input type="checkbox"/> Channelized <input type="checkbox"/> Dam <input type="checkbox"/> Dredging <input type="checkbox"/> Bridge <input type="checkbox"/> ATV

**Stream Characteristics:**

Sediment Deposits: <input type="checkbox"/> None <input type="checkbox"/> Slight <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Moderate <input type="checkbox"/> Excessive <input type="checkbox"/> Blanket
Sediment Type: <input type="checkbox"/> None <input type="checkbox"/> Sand <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Silt <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Mud <input type="checkbox"/> Clay <input type="checkbox"/> Sludge <input type="checkbox"/> Mn Precipitant <input type="checkbox"/> Orange Flocculent
Turbidity: <input type="checkbox"/> Clear <input type="checkbox"/> Slightly Turbid <input type="checkbox"/> Muddy <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Milky <input type="checkbox"/> Tannic <input type="checkbox"/> Planktonic Algae <input type="checkbox"/> Dyed
Foam/Surface Sheen: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> None <input type="checkbox"/> Nutrient <input type="checkbox"/> Surfactant <input type="checkbox"/> Bacteria
Algae: <input type="checkbox"/> None <input type="checkbox"/> Slight <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Moderate <input type="checkbox"/> High <input type="checkbox"/> Choking <b>Type:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Diatoms <input type="checkbox"/> Green <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Filamentous <input type="checkbox"/> Blue-green

**TDEC-DWR Stream Survey Field Sheet (Back)**

<b>DWR Station ID:</b>	<b>Date:</b>	<b>Assessors:</b>
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**Dominate Substrate:** (More than 25%) Check all that apply

- |                                                       |                                                       |                                                       |
|-------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------|
| <b>Riffle</b>                                         | <b>Run</b>                                            | <b>Pool</b>                                           |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Boulders (>10")              | <input type="checkbox"/> Boulders (>10")              | <input type="checkbox"/> Boulders (>10")              |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Cobble (2.5-10")             | <input type="checkbox"/> Cobble (2.5-10")             | <input type="checkbox"/> Cobble (2.5-10")             |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Gravel (0.1-2.5") | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Gravel (0.1-2.5") | <input type="checkbox"/> Gravel (0.1-2.5")            |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Bedrock                      | <input type="checkbox"/> Bedrock                      | <input type="checkbox"/> Bedrock                      |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Sand                         | <input type="checkbox"/> Sand                         | <input type="checkbox"/> Sand                         |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Silt (not gritty) | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Silt (not gritty) | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Silt (not gritty) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Clay (Slick)                 | <input type="checkbox"/> Clay (Slick)                 | <input type="checkbox"/> Clay (Slick)                 |

**Surrounding Land Uses** (list additional land uses under comments)

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|---------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------|
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Forest  | <input type="checkbox"/> Grazing    | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Stormwater  | <input type="checkbox"/> STP/WWTP               | <input type="checkbox"/> Construction           |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Wetland | <input type="checkbox"/> Row Crops  | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Urban       | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Industry    | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Impoundment |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Park               | <input type="checkbox"/> CAFO/Dairy | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Commercial  | <input type="checkbox"/> Mining/Dredging        | <input type="checkbox"/> ATV/OHV                |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Hay/Fields         | <input type="checkbox"/> Logging    | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Residential | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Road/Hwy/RR | <input type="checkbox"/> Golf Course            |

**Observed Human Disturbance to Stream:** Blank (not observed) S (Slight) M (Moderate) H (High)

<b>Riparian Loss</b>	H	<b>Logging</b>	<b>Industry</b>	M	<b>ATV/OHV</b>	
<b>Channelization</b>	M	Urban	Mining/ Dredging		Golf Course	
<b>Active Grazing</b>		Commercial	Road/Hwy/RR	H	Garbage/Trash	
<b>Row Crops</b>		Residential	Construction		Landfill	
<b>CAFO/Dairy</b>		STP/WWTP	Impoundment	H	Water Withdrawal	

**Other Stream Information and Stressors:**

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**Stream Sketch:** (include road name or landmark, flow direction, reach distance, distance from bridge or road, sampling points, tributaries, outfalls, livestock access, riparian, potential impacts, north arrow, immediate land use, buildings, etc.) Use additional sheet if necessary.

See attached maps and photographs

## **APPENDIX D - SITE PHOTOSHEETS**

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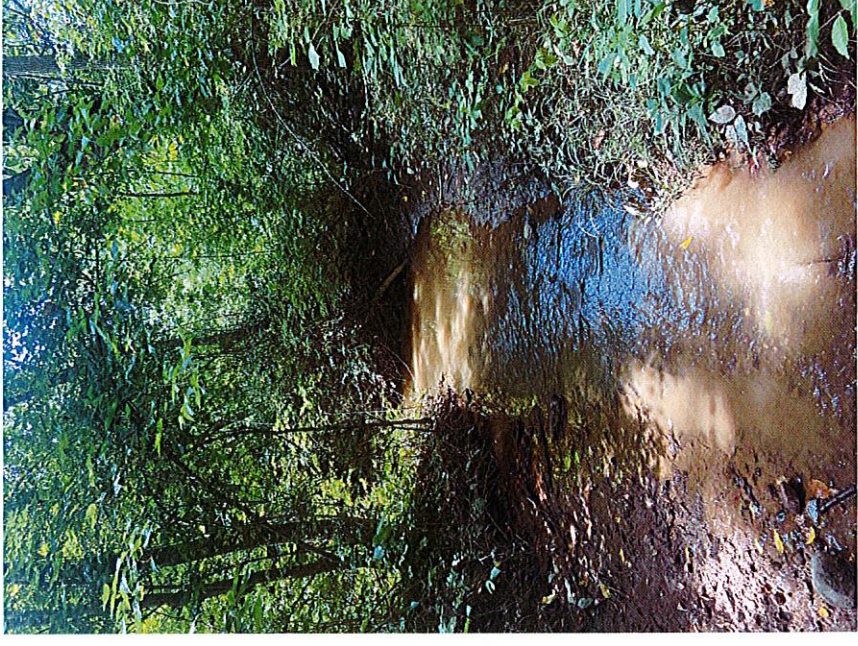
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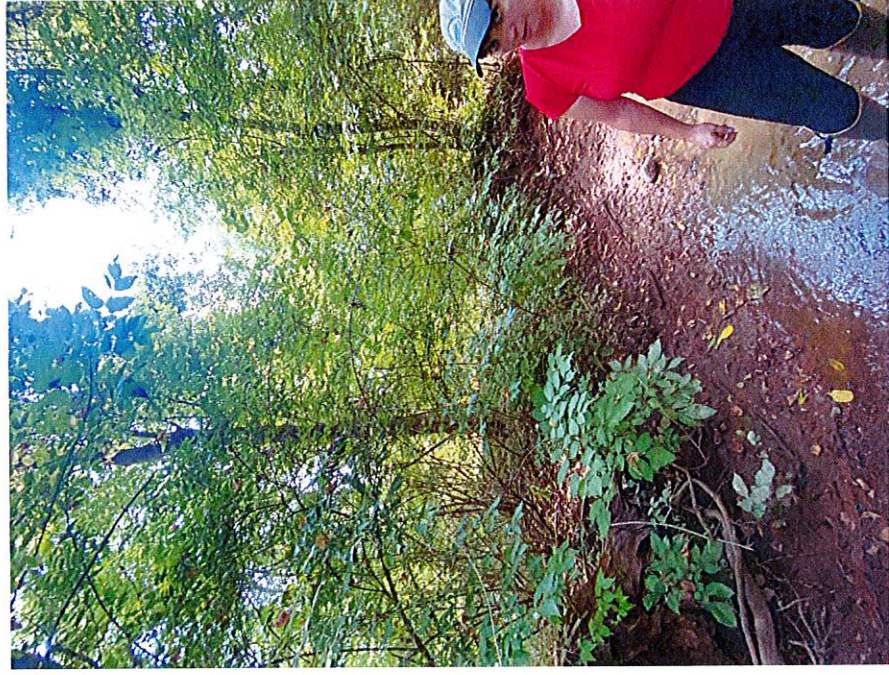


Upstream Davis Branch

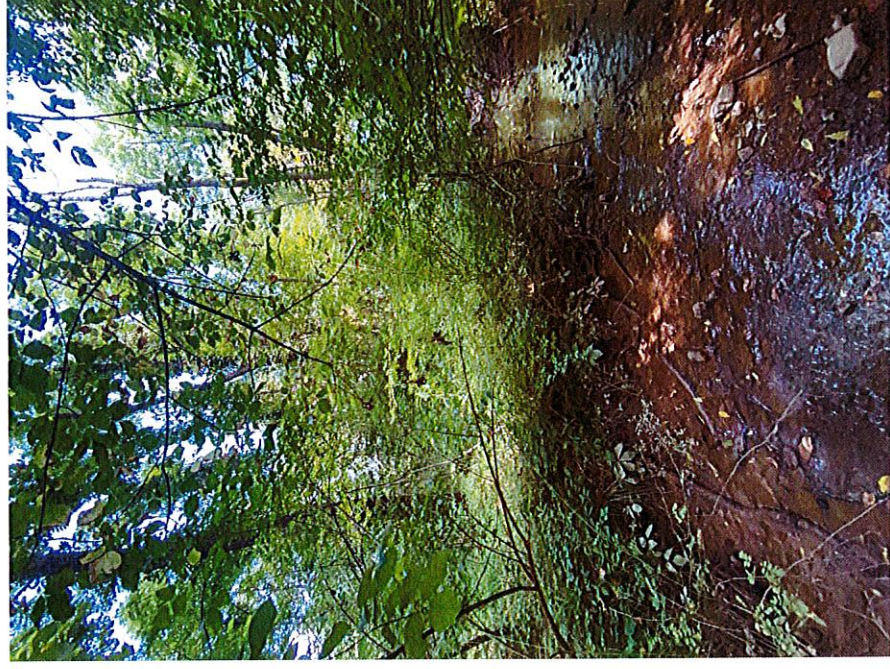


Downstream Davis Branch

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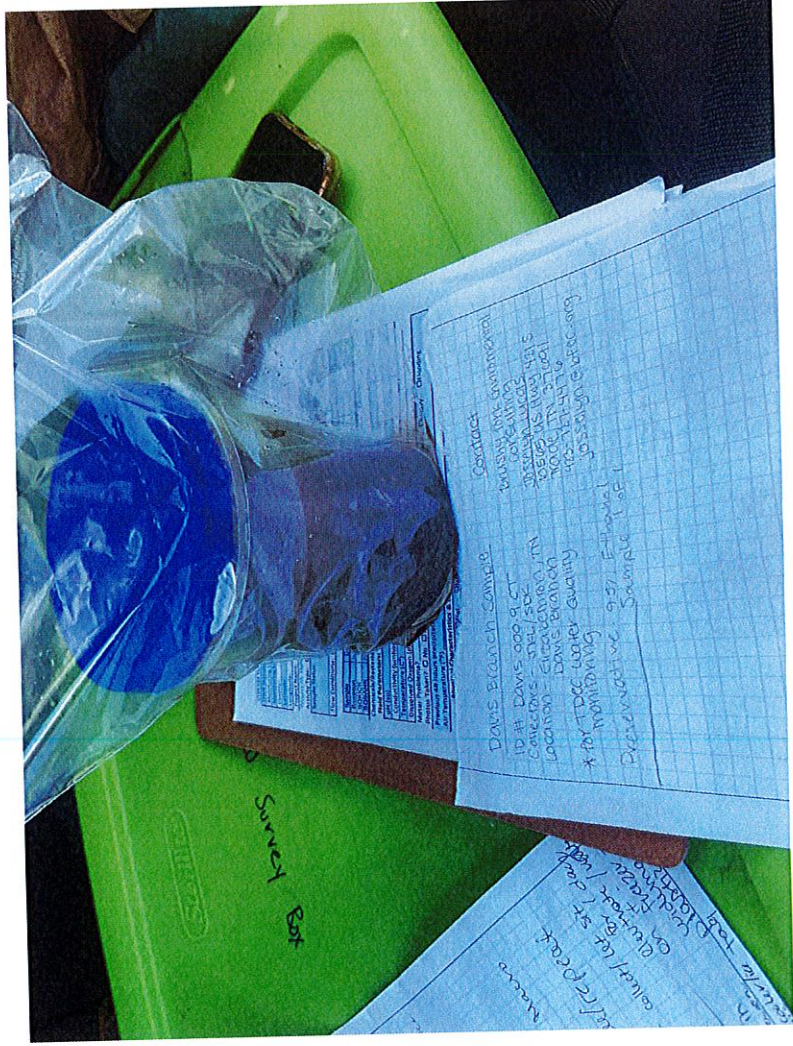


Left bank and riparian zone

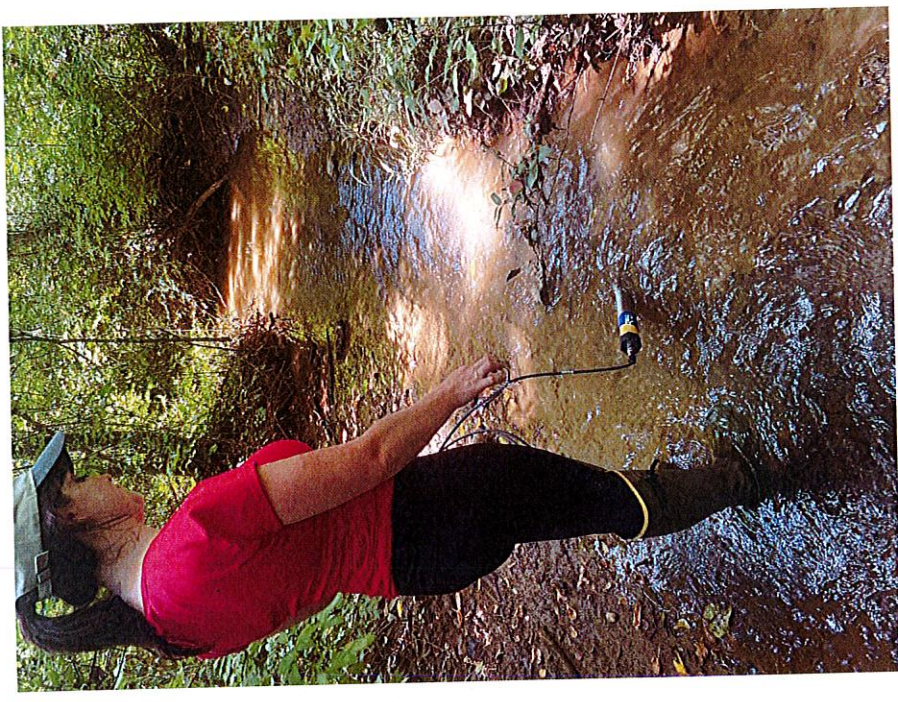


Right bank and riparian zone

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Macro sample sent to Pennington & Associates



Water quality sampling with Aqua TROLL  
500 Sonde