NC SAM FIELD ASSESSMENT RESULTS Accompanies User Manual Version 2.1

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						.5-minute topographic quadrangle,
			•			on the same property, identify and
						er Manual for detailed descriptions
					measu	rements were performed. See the
		mples of additional meas				
NOTE EVID	ENCE OF STRES	SSORS AFFECTING TH	E ASSESSMENT	AREA (do not need to be	within	the assessment area).
	SITE INFORMATION	-				
1. Project na		U-5706 Rockingham By	ypass		_	per 19, 2022
	owner name:	NCDOT		Assessor name/organiza		Axiom/Smith
5. County:		Richmond		6. Nearest named water bo		
7. River bas		Yadkin-PeeDee		on USGS 7.5-minute qu		Soiuth Prong Falling Creek
	·	egrees, at lower end of a			49	
		epth and width can be				1. 1 ((1)
	er (show on attac			ength of assessment reach		` ′
		n riffle, if present) to top		1		nable to assess channel depth.
	width at top of ba			assessment reach a swamp	sieam?	T Lites ⊠IN0
		I flow Intermittent flow	v ∐ i idai ivlarsh	oneam		
15. NC SAM	ATEGORY INFOR	RMATION: Mountains (M)	☐ Piedmont (F) 🛛 Inner Coastal Plair	n (I)	Outer Coastal Plain (O)
13. NO SAIV	1 <u>2</u> 011 0 .	☐ IVIOUTILAITIS (IVI)			11 (1)	U Outer Coastal Flail (O)
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	ed geomorphic	\bowtie_{A}		′ □B		مر
	ape (skip for arsh Stream):	(more sinuous strear	m flatter valley el		oue etre	eam, steeper valley slope)
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	ed size: (skip	☐Size 1 (< 0.1 mi ²)	☐Size 2 (0.1 t	$o < 0.5 \text{ mi}^2$) \square Size 3 (0.	.5 to < 5	5 mi²)
	l Marsh Stream) LL INFORMATION	ı.				
			No If Ves ch	eck all that apply to the ass	aceman	nt area
	on 10 water	Classified T				hed (I I II III IV V)
	ntial Fish Habitat	☐Primary Nur				Outstanding Resource Waters
	ly owned property	-	parian buffer rule			<u> </u>
	omous fish	☐303(d) List				nmental Concern (AEC)
Docui	mented presence		listed protected s	pecies within the assessmer		
List s	pecies:					
□Desig	nated Critical Hab	oitat (list species)				
19. Are addi	tional stream infor	rmation/supplementary m	neasurements inc	luded in "Notes/Sketch" sect	tion or a	attached? ⊠Yes □No
			for Size 1 strea	ms and Tidal Marsh Strear	ms)	
		t assessment reach.				
□B □C	No flow, water in No water in asse					
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		tion – assessment read				
□A						ted by a flow restriction or fill to the
						mpoundment on flood or ebb within ne channel, tidal gates, debris jams,
	beaver dams).	reach (examples: under	sized of percifical	curverts, causeways that con	i ioti iot ti	ic charmer, tidal gates, debris jams,
⊠B	Not A					
3. Feature	Dattorn accord	ment reach metric				
J. Feature □A			ltered nattern (ev	amples: straightening, modit	fication	above or below culvert)
⊠B	Not A	assessment reactifias a	illered pallerri (ex	ampies. straighterning, modil	iication	above of below curverty.
	_	file – assessment reac				
□A						own-cutting, existing damming, over
	disturbances).	aygrauation, dredging, a	and excavation w	nere appropriate channel p	noille N	as not reformed from any of these
⊠B	Not A					
		y – assessment reach r		ba atmaam baara d		and Programming of the Company of the Company
						ed. Examples of instability include ch as concrete, gabion, rip-rap).
active ba ⊠A	ink failure, active o		au-cut), active W	uening, and aruncial harden	mig (Su	on as concrete, gabion, hp-rap).
□B	10 to 25% of cha					
□c	> 25% of channe					

0.	Consider for the Left Bank (LB) and the Right Bank (RB).								
	LB	RB			-	. ,			
	⊠A □B	⊠A □B	Mode refere	ence interaction (ex	conditions kamples: I	(examples: ber imited streamsion	ms, levee de area ao	es, down- ccess, dis	eraction cutting, aggradation, dredging) that adversely affect ruption of flood flows through streamside area, leaky nor ditching [including mosquito ditching])
	□c	□с	Exten [exam of floo mosq	nsive evidence of c nples: causeways od flows through st	conditions with floodpreamside a	that adversely a plain and chann area] <u>or</u> too mud	affect refe el constric ch floodpla	rence inte tion, bulk iin/intertid	eraction (little to no floodplain/intertidal zone access neads, retaining walls, fill, stream incision, disruption al zone access [examples: impoundments, intensive or assessment reach is a man-made feature on an
7.	Wate	r Quality	Stressor	s – assessment r	each/inte	rtidal zone met	ric		
٠.		k all that		5 – assessment i	caciiiiiilei	tidai zone met			
	□A								r discoloration, oil sheen, stream foam)
	□B □C			mentation (burying					nd causing a water quality problem
				ding natural sulfide		s entering the as	55655111611	i ieacii <u>ai</u>	id causing a water quality problem
	ΠE	Curre	ent publish			ing degraded v	vater qual	ity in the	assessment reach. Cite source in "Notes/Sketch"
	□F	section Lives		access to stream o	or intertida	l zone			
	□G	Exce	ssive alga	e in stream or inte	rtidal zone)			
	□H □I			sh vegetation in the					owing, destruction, etc)
	⊠j		to no stre		_ (OXPIGIII	III 140100/ONOTO	iii ooolioii	,	
8.				rshed metric (ski					
	For S ☐A			D1 drought or high ions and no rainfal					eams, D2 drought or higher is considered a drought.
	□В			ions <u>and</u> no raimai ions <u>and</u> rainfall ex					5t 40 Hours
	⊠c	No dr	rought con	nditions					
9.	Large ☐Ye		_	ream – assessme eam is too large or			Yes, skip	to Metric	13 (Streamside Area Ground Surface Condition).
10.				tat Types – asses					
	10a.	∐Yes			ining, exc	avation, in-stre	am harde	ning [for	t reach (examples of stressors include excessive example, rip-rap], recent dredging, and snagging) to Metric 12)
	10b.						reach) (s		ze 4 Coastal Plain streams)
		⊠A		aquatic macrophyt liverworts, lichens,			dal	□F □G	5% oysters or other natural hard bottoms Submerged aquatic vegetation
		⊠в	Multiple s	sticks and/or leaf p	packs and	or emergent	Check for Tidal Marsh Streams Only	□H	Low-tide refugia (pools)
		□с	vegetatio	on snags and logs (ind	cluding lan	trees)	rsh &	□J □I	Sand bottom 5% vertical bank along the marsh
		⊠D	5% unde	ercut banks and/or	root mats	and/or roots	ပ် 🖁	□ĸ	Little or no habitat
		□E	in banks Little or n	extend to the norn	nal wetted	perimeter			
			Little of 11	o nasia:					
****	*****	******	******	REMAINING QUE	STIONS A	RE NOT APPL	ICABLE	FOR TIDA	AL MARSH STREAMS************************************
11.	Bedfo	orm and	Substrate	- assessment re	each metr	ic (skip for Siz	e 4 Coast	al Plain s	streams and Tidal Marsh Streams)
	11a.	□Yes	□No I	s assessment read	ch in a nat	ural sand-bed s	tream? (s	kip for C	oastal Plain streams)
	11b.			d. Check the app		ox(es).			
		⊠a ⊠B		n section (evaluate e section (evaluat					
		□с	Natural b	edform absent (sk	tip to Meti	ric 12, Aquatic	Life)		
		at least of	one box ir	n each row (skip t	for Size 4	Coastal Plain	streams a	and Tidal	essment reach – whether or not submerged. Check Marsh Streams) . Not Present (NP) = absent, Rare Predominant (P) = > 70%. Cumulative percentages
		should no	ot exceed	100% for each as	sessment		. (/ .)	, . , .	Todominana (t.)
		NP ⊠	R □	C A	P	Bedrock/sapro	olite		
						Boulder (256 -	- 4096 mr	n)	
						Crovel (2 64 – 2			
		H	H		H	Gravel (2 – 64 Sand (.062 – 2			
						Silt/clay (< 0.0	62 mm)		
						Detritus Artificial (rip-ra	p, concre	te, etc.)	
	11d.	□Yes	⊠No A	Are pools filled with	n sediment	t? (skip for Size	e 4 Coast	al Plain s	streams and Tidal Marsh Streams)

12.	-		sessment reach metric (skip for Tidal Marsh Streams)	
	12a. ⊠ If I	_	No Was an in-stream aquatic life assessment performed as described in the User Manual? one of the following reasons and skip to Metric 13. No Water Other:	_
	12b. ⊠	Yes [No Are aquatic organisms present in the assessment reach (look in riffles, pools, then snags)? If Yes, check all th apply. If No, skip to Metric 13.	at
	1	> [′]	Numbers over columns refer to "individuals" for Size 1 and 2 streams and "taxa" for Size 3 and 4 streams. Adult frogs Aquatic reptiles	
			Aquatic macrophytes and aquatic mosses (include liverworts, lichens, and algal mats) Beetles	
			Caddisfly larvae (T) Asian clam (<i>Corbicula</i>) Crustacean (isopod/amphipod/crayfish/shrimp)	
			Damselfly and dragonfly larvae Dipterans	
			Mayfly larvae (E) Megaloptera (alderfly, fishfly, dobsonfly larvae) Midges/mosquito larvae	
			Mosquito fish (<i>Gambusia</i>) or mud minnows (<i>Umbra pygmaea)</i> Mussels/Clams (not <i>Corbicula</i>)	
			Other fish Salamanders/tadpoles	
			Snails Stonefly larvae (P) Tipulid larvae	
13.	_	_	Worms/leeches Ground Surface Condition – streamside area metric (skip for Tidal Marsh Streams and B valley types)	
	Conside LB	er for the RB	Left Bank (LB) and the Right Bank (RB). Consider storage capacity with regard to both overbank flow and upland runo	ff.
	⊠a □B □C	⊠A □B □C	Little or no alteration to water storage capacity over a majority of the streamside area Moderate alteration to water storage capacity over a majority of the streamside area Severe alteration to water storage capacity over a majority of the streamside area (examples: ditches, fill, soil compactio	n,
14.	Streams	side Area	livestock disturbance, buildings, man-made levees, drainage pipes) Water Storage – streamside area metric (skip for Size 1 streams, Tidal Marsh Streams, and B valley types)	
	LB	RB	Left Bank (LB) and the Right Bank (RB) of the streamside area.	
	□A □B ⊠C	□A □B ⊠C	Majority of streamside area with depressions able to pond water ≥ 6 inches deep Majority of streamside area with depressions able to pond water 3 to 6 inches deep Majority of streamside area with depressions able to pond water < 3 inches deep	
15.	Conside wetted p	er for the erimeter	 e – streamside area metric (skip for Tidal Marsh Streams) Left Bank (LB) and the Right Bank (RB). Do not consider wetlands outside of the streamside area or within the norm of assessment reach. 	al
	LB ⊠Y □N	RB ⊠Y □N	Are wetlands present in the streamside area?	
16.			outors – assessment reach metric (skip for Size 4 streams and Tidal Marsh Streams) utors within the assessment reach or within view of <u>and</u> draining to the assessment reach.	
	□A □B	Streams Ponds (and/or springs (jurisdictional discharges) nclude wet detention basins; do not include sediment basins or dry detention basins)	
	□C 図D 図E □F	Evidend Stream	ion passing flow during low-flow periods within the assessment area (beaver dam, leaky dam, bottom-release dam, wei e of bank seepage or sweating (iron in water indicates seepage) bed or bank soil reduced (dig through deposited sediment if present) the above	r)
17.	Baseflor Check a		ors – assessment area metric (skip for Tidal Marsh Streams) ply.	
	□A □B □C	Evidend Obstruc Urban s	e of substantial water withdrawals from the assessment reach (includes areas excavated for pump installation) ion not passing flow during low-flow periods affecting the assessment reach (ex: watertight dam, sediment deposit) ream (≥ 24% impervious surface for watershed)	
	□D □E ⊠F	Assessi	e that the streamside area has been modified resulting in accelerated drainage into the assessment reach nent reach relocated to valley edge the above	
18.			sment reach metric (skip for Tidal Marsh Streams) Consider "leaf-on" condition.	
	□A □B □C	Stream Degrade	consider lear-on condition. shading is appropriate for stream category (may include gaps associated with natural processes) d (example: scattered trees) shading is gone or largely absent	

19.		streamside area metric (skip for Tidal Marsh Streams) tated buffer" and "wooded buffer" separately for left bank (LB) and right bank (RB) starting at the top of bank out k.
	Vegetated Work LB RB LE LB RB LB	ooded
20.		e – streamside area metric (skip for Tidal Marsh Streams) t bank (LB) and right bank (RB) for Metric 19 ("Vegetated" Buffer Width).
	□A □A □B □B □C □C ☑D ☑D □E □E	Mature forest Non-mature woody vegetation or modified vegetation structure Herbaceous vegetation with or without a strip of trees < 10 feet wide Maintained shrubs Little or no vegetation
21.	Check all appro within 30 feet of s If none of the fo	s – streamside area metric (skip for Tidal Marsh Streams) priate boxes for left bank (LB) and right bank (RB). Indicate if listed stressor abuts stream (Abuts), does not abut but is stream (< 30 feet), or is between 30 to 50 feet of stream (30-50 feet). Illowing stressors occurs on either bank, check here and skip to Metric 22:
	LB RB LE A A A B B B C C C	30 feet 30-50 feet RB LB RB A \[\]A \[\]A Row crops B \[\]B \[\]B Maintained turf C \[\]C \[\]C Pasture (no livestock)/commercial horticulture D \[\]D \[\]D \[\]D \[\]D Pasture (active livestock use)
22.	Consider for lef	streamside area metric (skip for Tidal Marsh Streams) t bank (LB) and right bank (RB) for Metric 19 ("Wooded" Buffer Width).
	LB RB ⊠A ⊠A □B □B □C □C	Medium to high stem density Low stem density No wooded riparian buffer <u>or</u> predominantly herbaceous species <u>or</u> bare ground
23.	Consider whether	egetated Buffer – streamside area metric (skip for Tidal Marsh Streams) r vegetated buffer is continuous along stream (parallel). Breaks are areas lacking vegetation > 10 feet wide.
	LB RB ⊠A ⊠A □B □B □C □C	The total length of buffer breaks is < 25 percent. The total length of buffer breaks is between 25 and 50 percent. The total length of buffer breaks is > 50 percent.
24.	-	position – streamside area metric (skip for Tidal Marsh Streams) ninant vegetation within 100 feet of each bank or to the edge of the watershed (whichever comes first) as it contributes to the habitat.
	□A □A	Vegetation is close to undisturbed in species present and their proportions. Lower strata composed of native species, with non-native invasive species absent or sparse.
	□В □В	Vegetation indicates disturbance in terms of species diversity or proportions, but is still largely composed of native species. This may include communities of weedy native species that develop after clear-cutting or clearing or communities with non-native invasive species present, but not dominant, over a large portion of the expected strata or
	⊠c ⊠c	communities missing understory but retaining canopy trees. Vegetation is severely disturbed in terms of species diversity or proportions. Mature canopy is absent <u>or</u> communities with non-native invasive species dominant over a large portion of expected strata <u>or</u> communities composed of planted stands of non-characteristic species <u>or</u> communities inappropriately composed of a single species <u>or</u> no vegetation.
25.	25a.	assessment reach metric (skip for all Coastal Plain streams) No Was conductivity measurement recorded? one of the following reasons. No Water Other:
		box corresponding to the conductivity measurement (units of microsiemens per centimeter).

Notes/Sketch:

Stream and adjacent wetlands on both banks are subject to regular maintenance of both mowing and spraying. The stream supports aquatic vegetation along channel edges and a thalweg of sand and pea gravel. Water source appears to be two upstream ponds and adjacent wetlands.

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Stream Site Name	U-5706 Rockingham Bypass	Date of Assessment	September 19, 2022	
Stream Category	la3	Assessor Name/Organization	Axiom/Smith	
Notes of Field Asses	sment Form (Y/N)		YES	
Presence of regulator	ory considerations (Y/N)		NO	
Additional stream inf	ormation/supplementary measu	rements included (Y/N)	YES	
NC SAM feature type	e (perennial, intermittent, Tidal M	Marsh Stream)	Perennial	

(poronilai, intermittent, fradi waren etream)	- 1 010111110	·
Function Class Rating Summary	USACE/ All Streams	NCDWR Intermittent
(1) Hydrology	HIGH	
(2) Baseflow	HIGH	
(2) Flood Flow	HIGH	
(3) Streamside Area Attenuation	HIGH	
(4) Floodplain Access	HIGH	
(4) Wooded Riparian Buffer	HIGH	
(4) Microtopography	LOW	
(3) Stream Stability	HIGH	
(4) Channel Stability	HIGH	
(4) Steam Community	HIGH	
(4) Stream Geomorphology	HIGH	
(2) Stream/Intertidal Zone Interaction	NA NA	
(2) Longitudinal Tidal Flow	NA NA	
(2) Tidal Marsh Stream Stability	NA	
(3) Tidal Marsh Channel Stability	NA	
(3) Tidal Marsh Stream Geomorphology	NA	
(1) Water Quality	HIGH	
(2) Baseflow	HIGH	
(2) Streamside Area Vegetation	HIGH	
(3) Upland Pollutant Filtration	HIGH	
(3) Thermoregulation	MEDIUM	
(2) Indicators of Stressors	NO	
(2) Aquatic Life Tolerance	MEDIUM	
(2) Intertidal Zone Filtration	NA	
(1) Habitat	MEDIUM	
(2) In-stream Habitat	HIGH	
(3) Baseflow	HIGH	
(3) Substrate	HIGH	
(3) Stream Stability	HIGH	
(3) In-stream Habitat	HIGH	
(2) Stream-side Habitat	LOW	
(3) Stream-side Habitat	LOW	
(3) Thermoregulation	MEDIUM	
(2) Tidal Marsh In-stream Habitat	NA NA	
(3) Flow Restriction	NA NA	
` '	NA NA	
(3) Tidal Marsh Stream Stability		
(4) Tidal Marsh Channel Stability	NA NA	
(4) Tidal Marsh Stream Geomorphology	NA NA	
(3) Tidal Marsh In-stream Habitat	NA NA	
(2) Intertidal Zone	NA	
Overall	HIGH	