

CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND GAME
STREAM INVENTORY REPORT

Devil Creek

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INTRODUCTION

A stream inventory was conducted during the summer of 1996 on Devil Creek. The inventory was conducted in two parts: habitat inventory and biological inventory. The objective of the habitat inventory was to document the amount and condition of available habitat to fish, and other aquatic species with an emphasis on anadromous salmonids in Devil Creek. The objective of the biological inventory was to document the salmonid and other aquatic species present and their distribution.

The objective of this report is to document the current habitat conditions, and recommend options for the potential enhancement of habitat for coho salmon and steelhead trout. Recommendations for habitat improvement activities are based upon target habitat values suitable for salmonids in California's north coast streams.

WATERSHED OVERVIEW

Devil Creek is a tributary to East Austin Creek which flows into Big Austin Creek, a tributary of the Russian River, located in Sonoma County, California (see Devil Creek map, page 2). The legal description at the confluence with East Austin Creek is T9N, R11W, S28. Its location is 38°35'40" N. latitude and 123°4'19" W. longitude. Seasonal vehicle access exists via East Austin Creek Road (private), via Mill Creek Road, via Westside Rd near Healdsburg. Vehicle access to reaches above 40' waterfall is possible by Jeep Rd from E. Austin Creek Rd. at habitat unit #50.

Devil Creek and its tributaries drain a basin of approximately 7.4 square miles. Devil Creek is a second order stream and has approximately 4.5 miles of blue line stream, according to the USGS Cazadero 7.5 minute quadrangle. An unnamed tributary referred to as "Angels Creek" was also inventoried and is included in this report. Elevations range from about 440 feet at the mouth of the creek to 1,520 feet in the headwaters.

Devil Creek flows in a mountainous, highly forested steep sided

canyon in the eastern slopes of the East Austin Creek drainage. The creek flows entirely through a V shaped canyon. The lower section is bordered by heavy stands of hardwoods, and the middle and upper sections also have mixed conifers. The upper 1.2 miles shows evidence of past logging. The watershed is entirely privately owned. The Cedars Fairyland (Calochortus raichei), a sensitive species, was listed in DFG's Natural Diversity Database for Devil Creek Watershed.

METHODS

The habitat inventory conducted in Devil Creek follows the methodology presented in the California Salmonid Stream Habitat Restoration Manual (Flosi and Reynolds, 1994). The Neap Crew that conducted the inventory were trained in standardized habitat inventory methods by the California Department of Fish and Game (DFG). This inventory was conducted by a two person team and was supervised by Bob Coey, Russian River Basin Planner (DFG).

HABITAT INVENTORY COMPONENTS

A standardized habitat inventory form has been developed for use in California stream surveys and can be found in the California Salmonid Stream Habitat Restoration Manual. This form was used in Devil Creek to record measurements and observations. There are nine components to the inventory form: flow, channel type, temperatures, habitat type, embeddedness, shelter rating, substrate composition, canopy, and bank composition.

1. Flow:

Flow is measured in cubic feet per second (cfs) at the bottom of the stream survey reach using a Marsh-McBirney Model 2000 flow meter.

2. Channel Type:

Channel typing is conducted according to the classification system developed and revised by David Rosgen (1985 rev. 1994). This methodology is described in the *California Salmonid Stream Habitat Restoration Manual*. Channel typing is conducted simultaneously with habitat typing and follows a standard form to record measurements and observations. There are five measured parameters used to determine channel type: 1) water slope gradient, 2) entrenchment, 3) width/depth ratio, 4) substrate composition, and 5) sinuosity. Channel characteristics are measured using a clinometer, hand level, hip chain, tape measure, and a stadia rod.

3. Temperatures:

Both water and air temperatures are measured and recorded at every tenth habitat unit. The time of the measurement is also recorded. Both temperatures are taken in degrees Fahrenheit at the middle of the habitat unit and within one foot of the water surface.

4. Habitat Type:

Habitat typing uses the 24 habitat classification types defined by McCain and others (1988). Habitat units are numbered sequentially and assigned a type identification number selected from a standard list of 24 habitat types. Dewatered units are labeled "dry". Devil Creek habitat typing used standard basin level measurement criteria. These parameters require that the minimum length of a described habitat unit must be equal to or greater than the stream's mean wetted width. All measurements are in feet to the nearest tenth. Habitat characteristics are measured using a clinometer, hip chain, and stadia rod.

5. Embeddedness:

The depth of embeddedness of the cobbles in pool tail-out areas is measured by the percent of the cobble that is surrounded or buried by fine sediment. In Devil Creek, embeddedness was visually estimated. The values were recorded using the following ranges: 0 - 25% (value 1), 26 - 50% (value 2), 51 - 75% (value 3) and 76 - 100% (value 4). Additionally, a value of 5 was assigned to tail-outs deemed unsuited for spawning due to inappropriate substrate particle size, bedrock, or other considerations.

6. Shelter Rating:

Instream shelter is composed of those elements within a stream channel that provide salmonids protection from predation, reduce water velocities so fish can rest and conserve energy, and allow separation of territorial units to reduce density related competition. The shelter rating is calculated for each fully-described habitat unit by multiplying shelter value and percent cover. Using an overhead view, a quantitative estimate of the percentage of the habitat unit covered is made. All cover is then classified according to a list of nine cover types. In Devil Creek, a standard qualitative shelter value of 0 (none), 1 (low), 2 (medium), or 3 (high) was assigned according to the complexity of the cover. Thus, shelter ratings can range from 0-

300 and are expressed as mean values by habitat types within a stream.

7. Substrate Composition:

Substrate composition ranges from silt/clay sized particles to boulders and bedrock elements. In all fully-described habitat units, dominant and sub-dominant substrate elements were visually estimated using a list of seven size classes and recorded as a one and two, respectively. In addition, the dominant substrate composing the pool tail-outs is recorded for each pool.

8. Canopy:

Stream canopy density was estimated using modified handheld spherical densimeters as described in the *California Salmonid Stream Habitat Restoration Manual*. Canopy density relates to the amount of stream shaded from the sun. In Devil Creek, an estimate of the percentage of the habitat unit covered by canopy was made from the center of approximately every third unit in addition to every fully-described unit, giving an approximate 30% sub-sample. In addition, the area of canopy was estimated visually into percentages of evergreen or deciduous trees.

9. Bank Composition and Vegetation:

Bank composition elements range from bedrock to bare soil. However, the stream banks are usually covered with grass, brush, or trees. These factors influence the ability of stream banks to withstand winter flows. In Devil Creek, the dominant composition type and the dominant vegetation type of both the right and left banks for each fully-described unit were selected from the habitat inventory form. Additionally, the percent of each bank covered by vegetation (including downed trees, logs, and rootwads) was estimated and recorded.

BIOLOGICAL INVENTORY

Biological sampling during stream inventory is used to determine fish species and their distribution in the stream. Biological inventory is conducted using one or more of three basic methods: 1) stream bank observation, 2) underwater observation, 3) electrofishing. These sampling techniques are discussed in the California Salmonid Stream Habitat Restoration Manual.

DATA ANALYSIS

Data from the habitat inventory form are entered into Habitat, a dBASE IV data entry program developed by Tim Curtis, Inland Fisheries Division, California Department of Fish and Game. This program processes and summarizes the data, and produces the following tables and appendices:

- Riffle, flatwater, and pool habitat types
- Habitat types and measured parameters
- Pool types
- Maximum pool depths by habitat types
- Shelter by habitat types
- Dominant substrates by habitat types
- Vegetative cover and dominant bank composition
- Fish habitat elements by stream reach

Graphics are produced from the tables using Lotus 1,2,3. Graphics developed for Devil Creek include:

- Level II Habitat Types by % Occurrence and % Total Length
- Level IV Habitat Types by % Occurrence
- Pool Habitat Types by % Occurrence
- Maximum Depth in Pools
- Pool Shelter Types by % Area
- Substrate Composition in Low Gradient Riffles
- Percent Cobble Embeddedness by Reach
- Mean Percent Canopy
- Mean Percent Canopy by Reach
- Percent Bank Composition and Bank Vegetation

HISTORICAL STREAM SURVEYS:

The Department of Fish and Game conducted surveys of Devil Creek in April 1962, and October 1977. The 1962 survey started at the mouth and continued to 0.3 miles upstream. The gradient was described as "extreme" in the headwater section and moderate in all other areas with a 6% gradient. Flows were described as continuous (1.5 cfs) throughout. Air temperature was noted at 75°F and water temperature at 59°F. The depth averaged 5' and ranged from 2-8'. The wetted width averaged 5' and ranged from 4-10'.

Pool development was generally good throughout the entire section and shelter consisted of roots, boulders, and overhanging vegetation. The substrate consisted primarily of gravel, as well as lesser amounts of cobble and boulders. Large deposits of 2"

gravel with little siltation was noted. Spawning areas were considered to be good to excellent throughout the entire stream except for the extreme headwater section. This creek was considered to be the best spawning tributary in the upper East Austin Creek drainage above Gilliam Creek.

Three log accumulations were located in the lower 0.5 miles of the stream. Scattered log debris accumulations were noted throughout the upper section, but were not creating barriers. No pollution or diversions were observed, and spring development was described as "good" throughout the entire section.

The 1977 survey started at the mouth and continued to 2.8 miles upstream. The gradient was described as moderate throughout, a 4% gradient. The air temperature was noted at 62°F and the water temperature at 59°F. The average wetted width was 3' and ranged 2-4'. The depth averaged 2-4" and ranged 3-6" in the riffles.

The majority of pools were formed by boulders, undercut banks and bedrock. Shelter consisted of boulders, undercut banks, logs and streamside vegetation. Canopy provided 60-85% overhead cover. The substrate in the lower half consisted of 5% bedrock, 10% boulder, 25% large cobble, 30% small cobble, 20% gravel, 10% sand and silt. The upper half consisted of 10% bedrock, 15% boulder, 40% large rubble, 10% small rubble, 5% gravel, 25% dirt, silt and sand. Approximately 55% of the creek from the mouth to 0.7 miles upstream was considered to have good to excellent spawning gravel. Above this area, spawning habitat was scarce and available gravel was silted and compacted.

No complete log jam barriers were observed, although 0.5 miles upstream from the mouth, a log jam created a partial barrier. The log jam was located in a narrow gorge, 8' in height with bedload backed up 4' in height upstream from the logs. The upper fish limit was formed by a steep gradient and unsuitable streambed. No pollution or diversions were observed, and springs were well developed throughout the area surveyed.

HABITAT INVENTORY RESULTS

* ALL TABLES AND GRAPHS ARE LOCATED AT THE END OF THE REPORT *

The habitat inventory of September 10 - October 1, 1996 was conducted by Mark Bolin and Mark Kipp (NEAP) and data analyzed by Ken Bunzel (DFG). The survey began at the confluence with East Austin Creek and extended up Devil Creek to the end of the survey at a 40 foot waterfall. The total length of the stream surveyed

was 15,371 feet, with an additional 39 feet of side channel.

This section of Devil Creek has three channel types: from the mouth to 12,053 feet an F3; next 1,223 feet an A1 and the upper 2,095 feet an F2.

F3 channel types are entrenched meandering riffle/pool channels on low gradients (<2%) with a high width/depth ratio and a predominantly cobble substrate. F2 channels are similar except with a boulder substrate.

A1 channel types are steep (4-10%), narrow, cascading, step-pool streams with a high energy/debris transport associated with depositional soils and a predominantly bedrock substrate.

Water temperatures ranged from 56-71°F. Air temperatures ranged from 57-81°F.

Table 1 summarizes the Level II riffle, flatwater, and pool habitat types. Based on frequency of **occurrence** there were 42% pool units, 39% flatwater units, and 19% riffle units. Based on total **length** there were 58% flatwater units, 23% riffle units, and 20% pool units (Graph 1).

One hundred, seventy habitat units were measured and 23% were completely sampled. Thirteen Level IV habitat types were identified. The data is summarized in Table 2. The most frequent habitat types by percent **occurrence** were step runs at 21%, bedrock scour pools 20%, runs 15% and low gradient riffles 13% (Graph 2). By percent total **length**, step runs made up 38%, runs 18%, low gradient riffles 12%, and bedrock scour pools 9%.

Seventy-two pools were identified (Table 3). Scour pools were most often encountered at 92%, and comprised 88% of the total length of pools (Graph 3).

Table 4 is a summary of maximum pool depths by pool habitat types. Pool quality for salmonids increases with depth. Fifty-two of the 72 pools (72%) had a depth of two feet or greater (Graph 4). These deeper pools comprised 15% of the total length of stream habitat.

A shelter rating was calculated for each habitat unit and expressed as a mean value for each habitat type within the survey using a scale of 0-300. Flatwater types had the highest shelter rating at 145. Pools had the lowest rating with 107 and riffle rated 142 (Table 1). Of the pool types, the main channel pools had the highest mean shelter rating at 161, scour pools rated 102 (Table

3). No backwater pools were identified.

Table 5 summarizes fish shelter by habitat type. By percent area, the dominant pool shelter types were boulders at 42% and undercut banks at 13%. Graph 5 describes the pool shelter in Devil Creek.

Table 6 summarizes the dominant substrate by habitat type. Gravel or small cobble were the dominant substrates observed in all of the three low gradient riffles measured (Graph 6). The depth of cobble embeddedness was estimated at pool tail-outs. Of the 72 pool tail-outs measured, all had a value of 2.

The mean percent canopy density for the surveyed section was 73%. Canopy density increased in an upstream direction. The mean percentages of deciduous and evergreen trees were 51% and 49%, respectively. Graph 8 describes the canopy for the entire survey and graph 9 describes the canopy by reach.

For the entire stream reach surveyed, the mean percent right bank vegetated was 68% and the mean percent left bank vegetated was 77%.

For the habitat units measured, the dominant vegetation types for the stream banks were: 55% evergreen trees, 41% deciduous trees, 2% brush, and 1% grass. The dominant substrate for the stream banks were: 40% bedrock, 23% cobble/gravel, 18% boulder and 18% silt/clay/sand (Graph 10).

HABITAT INVENTORY RESULTS FOR UNNAMED TRIBUTARY ("ANGEL'S CREEK")

The habitat inventory of October 10, 1996 was conducted by Mark Bolin and Mark Kipp (NEAP) and data analyzed by Ken Bunzel (DFG). This unnamed tributary flows into Devil Creek approximately 1.1 miles upstream from its mouth. The survey began at the confluence with Devil Creek and continued for 330 feet to a point where a massive landslide had buried the creek.

The surveyed section of this tributary had an A2 channel type. These channels are steep (4-10%), narrow, cascading, step-pool streams with a high energy/debris transport associated with depositional soils and a predominantly boulder substrate. The water temperature was 61°F and the air temperature was 62°F.

Three habitat units were measured: two cascades and one bedrock scour pool. The pool had a maximum depth of 2 feet and a shelter rating of 105, with shelter consisting primarily of boulders.

The mean percent canopy density for the surveyed section was 73%. The mean percentages of deciduous and evergreen trees were 37% and

63%, respectively. The dominant vegetation for the stream banks was evergreen trees. The dominant substrates for the stream banks were: 50% boulder, 25% bedrock, and 25% silt/clay/sand.

BIOLOGICAL INVENTORY

JUVENILE SURVEYS:

In the April 1962 survey, an estimated many 0+, approximately 200 1+, and ten 2+ steelhead were observed along with one sculpin. In addition, "frogs, water snakes and salamanders" were noted.

In the October 1977 survey, 4 1+ steelhead were observed 0.7 miles upstream from the mouth. From the mouth to 0.5 miles upstream, California Roach averaging 15/100' and Sacramento Suckers averaging 5/100' and ranging 2-5" in length were observed. In addition, "frogs and newts" were observed.

On October 8, 1996 a biological inventory was conducted in one site of Devil Creek to document fish species composition and distribution. The site was single pass electrofished using one Smith Root Model 12 electrofisher. Fish were counted by species, and returned to the stream. The air temperature was 82°F and the water temperature was 65°F. The observers were Bolin, Kipp (NEAP) Sanchez and Campo (Americorps).

The inventory of Reach 1 was conducted in habitat units 6-17 and covered a total length of 1,026 feet. In riffle and pool habitat types 99 0+, nine 1+ and one 2+ steelhead (10/100') were observed along with 8 Sacramento Pikeminnow, 74 roach, 18 sculpin (*Cottus Sp.*), 19 Yellow-legged Frogs, and 6 Rough-skinned Newt. It was noted that salmonids were visually observed in the other two reaches as well, and in the unnamed tributary ("Angels Creek").

A summary of historical and recent data collected appears in the table below.

Species Observed in Historical and Recent Surveys			
YEARS	SPECIES	SOURCE	Native/Introduced
1962, 1977, 1996	Steelhead	DFG	N
1977	California Roach	DFG	N
1962, 1996	sculpin	DFG	N
1996	Sacramento Pikeminnow	DFG	N
1977	Sacramento Sucker	DFG	N
1962, 1977, 1996	Rough-skinned Newt	DFG	N
1962, 1977, 1996	Yellow-legged Frog	DFG	N

No introduced fish species were found in any of the surveys and historical records indicate no fish hatchery stocking, transfers or rescues have occurred in the watershed.

DISCUSSION

Devil Creek has three channel types: F3, A1 and F2. There are 12,053 feet of F3 channel type in Reach 1. According to the DFG Salmonid Stream Habitat Restoration Manual, F3 channel types are good for bank-placed boulders as well as single and opposing wing-deflectors. They are fair for low-stage weirs, boulder clusters, channel constrictors and log cover.

There are 1,223 feet of A1 channel type in Reach 2. The high energy, steep gradient A1 channel types have stable stream banks and poor gravel retention capabilities and are generally not suitable for instream enhancement structures.

There are 2,095 feet of F2 channel type in Reach 3. These channel types are fair for low-stage weirs, single and opposing wing-

deflectors and log cover. Many site specific projects can be designed in the F channel types, especially to increase pool frequency, volume and shelter. Any work considered would require careful design, placement, and construction that must include protection for any unstable banks.

The water temperatures recorded on the survey days September 10 - October 1, 1996 ranged from 56-71°F. These temperatures, if sustained, are above the threshold stress level (65°F) for salmonids. To make any further conclusions, temperatures need to be monitored for a longer period of time through the critical summer months, and more extensive biological sampling conducted.

Pools comprised 20% of the total **length** of this survey. In first and second order streams a primary pool is defined to have a maximum depth of at least two feet, occupy at least half the width of the low flow channel, and be as long as the low flow channel width. In Devil Creek, the pools are relatively deep with 72% having a maximum depth of at least 2 feet. However these pools comprised only 15% of the total length of stream habitat. In coastal coho and steelhead streams, it is generally desirable to have primary pools comprise approximately 50% of total habitat length. Therefore, structures are needed to increase pool habitat in locations where their installation will not jeopardize any unstable stream banks, or subject the structures to high stream energy.

The mean shelter rating for pools was 107. Shelter ratings in this stream were measured in regard to 0+ fish. Shelter for 1+ fish is scarce. The pool shelter is being provided primarily by boulders and undercut banks.

All of the low gradient riffles measured had either gravel or small cobble as the dominant substrate. This is generally considered good for spawning salmonids.

All of the pool tail-outs measured had embeddedness ratings of 2. This is considered "fair". Cobble embeddedness measured to be 25% or less, a rating of 1, is considered best for the needs of salmon and steelhead.

The mean percent canopy for the survey was only 73%. This is a slightly low percentage of canopy, since 80 percent is generally considered desirable. Elevated water temperatures could be reduced by increasing stream canopy. Cooler water temperatures are desirable in Devil Creek. The large trees required for adequate stream canopy would also eventually provide a long term source of

large woody debris needed for instream structure and bank stability.

DISCUSSION FOR UNNAMED TRIBUTARY ("ANGEL'S CREEK")

This tributary has 330 feet of A2 channel type in the surveyed section. A2 channel types have stable stream banks and poor gravel retention capabilities and are generally not suitable for instream enhancement structures.

Although the water temperature recorded (61°F) is good for salmonids, the canopy density is slightly lower than desirable. There were two landslides located near the end of the survey, with one burying the creek and creating an unstable hill slope. These slides were relatively massive for the size of the stream/canyon. Naturally unstable material and inaccessibility might rule out any restoration alternatives.

Salmonids were observed in the bedrock scour pool and shelter ratings were good throughout the survey. However, this stream holds minimal salmonid habitat due to the boulder substrate, and little gravel available for spawning salmonids. Probably should be considered just a feeder stream.

Biological surveys were conducted to document fish distribution and are not necessarily representative of population information. Steelhead were documented consistently during each past survey year while coho were not found during any of the surveys. This is likely because physiological and environmental requirements for coho are more stringent than for steelhead, or coho were absent or present only in small numbers in some years. Overall, large numbers of steelhead were observed during the 1962 survey, and few during the 1977 survey. The 1996 fall survey documented many 0+ fish indicating successful spawning in Devil Creek, and holding-over conditions in general. Habitat availability in "Angels Creek" were extremely limited for salmonids.

Shelter ratings are poor and relatively few pools of adequate depth exist for salmonid rearing habitat. Stream shade canopy is low in Reaches 1-2 and water temperatures are high. Spawning habitat is rated as fair and has declined since 1962. In 1977, only the lower 0.7 miles near the mouth had good spawning habitat, while the few areas above this section with gravel had high levels of silt. In addition, there is a lack of large woody debris shelter in Devil Creek.

GENERAL RECOMMENDATIONS

Devil Creek should be managed as an anadromous, natural production stream.

The winter 1995/96/97 storms brought down many large trees and other woody debris into the stream, which increased the number and quality of pools since the drought years. This woody debris, if left undisturbed, will provide fish shelter and rearing habitat, and offset channel incision. Signs of recent and historic tree and log removal were evident in the active channel during our survey. Landowners should be sensitive about the natural and positive role woody debris plays in the system, and encouraged not to remove woody debris from the stream, except under extreme buildup and only under guidance by a fishery professional.

SPECIFIC FISHERY ENHANCEMENT RECOMMENDATIONS

- 1) There are two log debris accumulations present on Devil Creek that have the potential for impeding passage and causing bank erosion (Reach 1, habitat units 95 and 98). The modification of these debris accumulations may be but recommended but **it must be done carefully to preserve existing habitat provided by the woody debris.**
- 2) Increase the canopy on Devil Creek by planting willow, alder, redwood, and Douglas fir along the stream where shade canopy is not at acceptable levels (portions of Reaches 1-2 and "Angels Creek"). In many cases, planting will need to be coordinated to follow bank stabilization or upslope erosion control projects.
- 3) There are two sites in Devil Creek with bank erosion problems. These sites should be treated with bank stabilization structures to reduce the amount of fine sediment entering the stream. However these are massive landslides on very unstable hill slopes and inaccessible to heavy equipment.
- 4) Monitor fish populations for steelhead index.

PROBLEM SITES AND LANDMARKS - DEVIL SURVEY COMMENTS

The following landmarks and possible problem sites were noted. All distances are approximate and taken from the beginning of the survey reach.

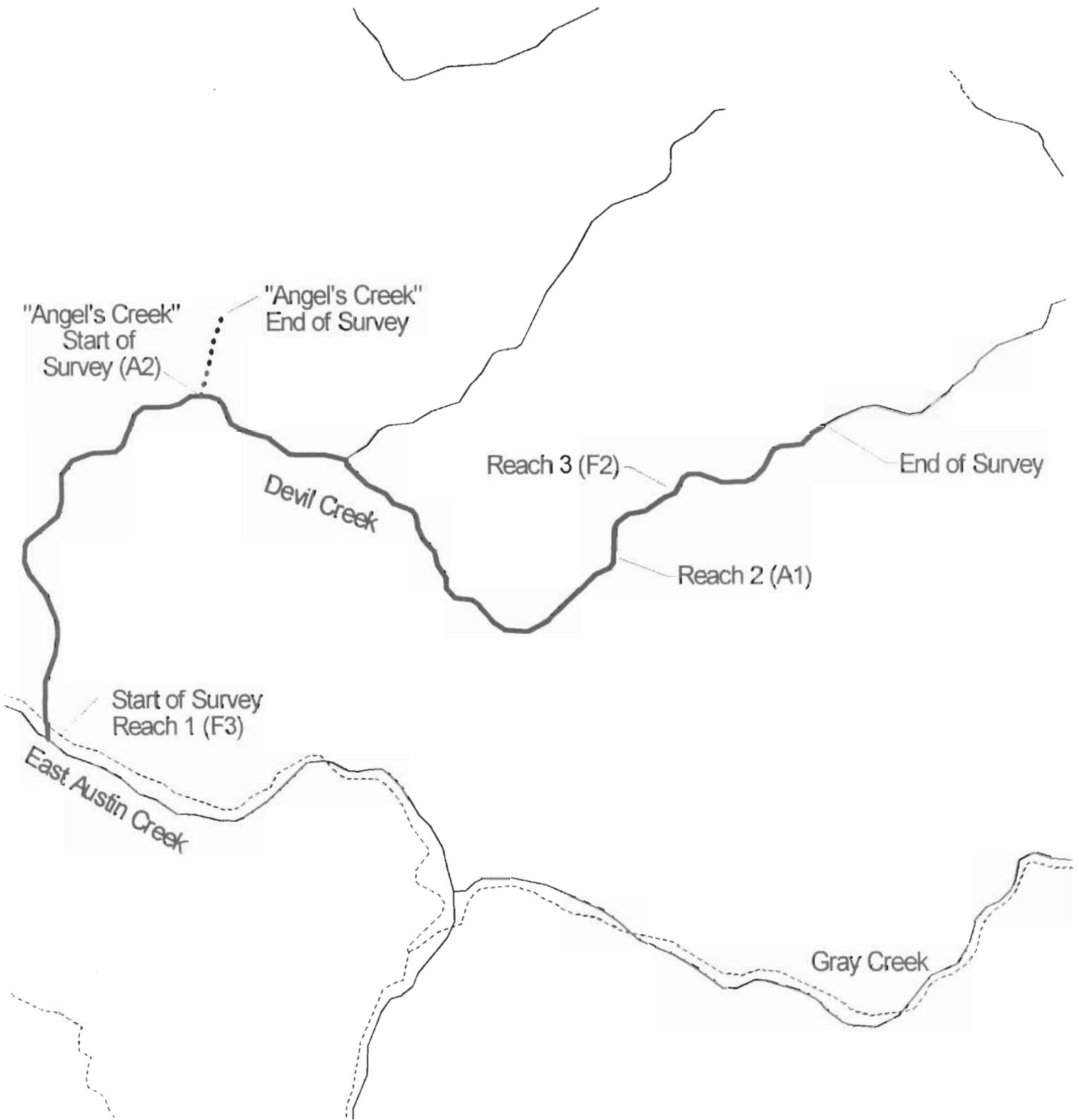
HABITAT UNIT #	STREAM LEN (FT.)	COMMENTS
2.00	135	MUCH SILT FROM FORD
3.00	172	PIKEMINNOW
4.00	237	AUSTIN CREEK RD. FORD
6.00	443	SALMONIDS OLD ROAD FORD
16.00	1198	BLOWOUT RT BANK 70'W X 30'L X 3'D
17.00	1271	DEEP POOL STEEP RAVINE RT BANK SALMONIDS & PIKEMINNOW
21.00	1412	DRY TRIB LF BANK
27.00	1862	SLIDE INTO LF BANK
28.00	2250	SALMONIDS
37.00	3123	STEEP RAVINE LF BANK
40.00	3586	STEEP RAVINE RT BANK
41.00	3617	STEEP RAVINE RT BANK 100' STILL IN BEDROCK GORGE
45.00	4212	4-5' CASCADE AT TOP OF UNIT
52.00	4918	DRY TRIB RT BANK
55.00	6283	SKID TRAIL RT BANK
59.00	6702	FEEDER STREAM CLASS III TOP OF UNIT
60.00	6857	CLASS III STREAM RT BNK 63°F AT CONFL
61.00	6902	SPRING RT BANK
65.00	7428	DISTINCTIVE RED ROCK BOULDERS, SALMONIDS
66.00	7476	SALMONIDS
67.00	7525	2 POOLS W/ SM CASCADES; 2 BIG LOGS
69.00	7596	DRY RAVINE RT BANK TOP OF UNIT
71.00	7799	BLOW OUT # 72
72.00	7946	DRY RAVINE LF BANK BOTTOM STEEP RAVINE W/ SPRING BEFORE BLOWOUT
75.00	8079	DEBRIS ACCUMULATION W/ HOLE SCOURED UNDER
79.00	8446	SPRING RT BANK
83.00	9362	DRY RAVINE LF BANK
84.00	9391	SPRING LF BANK
85.00	9457	NICE GRAVEL
87.00	9579	DRY TRIB RT BANK
90.00	9887	SALMONIDS
91.00	9922	CLASS III RT BANK 57°F
94.00	10159	SALMONIDS

95.00	10299	OLD HUMBOLDT 8'D X 25'L X 65'W
98.00	10468	9'D X 35'W X 16'L
100.00	10633	SALMONIDS
110.00	11981	FISH BECOMING SCARCE
116.00	14533	6 SHALLOW POOLS (LUMPED)
125.00	15458	SALMONIDS
130.00	15726	2 POOLS LG. ONE @ TOP
133.00	15966	NICE POOL W/ SALMONIDS
135.00	16611	GORGE COLLAPSED BOTH BANKS PLUGGED INTERMITTENT POOLS W/ SALMONIDS
140.00	16909	DRY RAVINE
144.00	17191	3 POOLS
152.00	17624	DOZEN 2+ SALMONIDS DRY TRIB CLASS III
156.00	17725	NICE GRAVEL
158.00	17893	3 POOLS
164.00	18378	NICE GRAVEL
165.00	18416	2 SM WATERFALLS
169.00	18755	END OF SURVEY: STEEP GORGE W/ 40' WATERFALL AT TOP. HIKED 500' PAST WATERFALL. CREEK GOES SUBTERRANEAN IN PLACES. SEVERAL GOOD POOLS, NO FISH.

PROBLEM SITES AND LANDMARKS - UNNAMED TRIBUTARY
("ANGEL'S CREEK") SURVEY COMMENTS

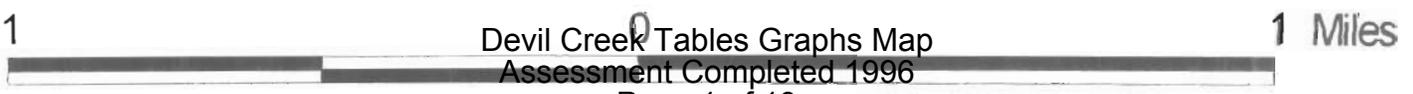
<i>HABITAT</i>	<i>STREAM</i>	<i>COMMENTS</i>
<i>UNIT #</i>	<i>LEN (FT.)</i>	
1.00	175	CONFLUENCE WITH DEVIL'S CREEK AT HAB UNIT 60
2.00	182	SALMONIDS
3.00	330	RT BANK DAMP FEEDER TRIB; LF BANK BLOWOUT; BIG BLOWOUT RT BANK, BURIED CREEK; UNSTABLE HILL SLOPE; END OF SURVEY

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Devil Creek

Drainage: East Austin Creek, Big Austin Creek, Russian River

Table 1 - SUMMARY OF RIFFLE, FLATWATER, AND POOL HABITAT TYPES

Survey Dates: 09/10/96 to 10/01/96

Confluence Location: QUAD: CAZADERO LEGAL DESCRIPTION: 9NR11WS28 LATITUDE: 38°35'40" LONGITUDE: 123°4'19"

HABITAT UNITS MEASURED	HABITAT TYPE	HABITAT PERCENT OCCURRENCE	MEAN LENGTH (ft.)	TOTAL LENGTH (ft.)	MEAN WIDTH (ft.)	TOTAL WIDTH (ft.)	MEAN DEPTH (ft.)	TOTAL DEPTH (ft.)	MEAN AREA (sq.ft.)	TOTAL AREA (sq.ft.)	MEAN ESTIMATED VOLUME (cu.ft.)	TOTAL ESTIMATED VOLUME (cu.ft.)	MEAN RESIDUAL POOL VOL (cu.ft.)	TOTAL RESIDUAL POOL VOL (cu.ft.)	MEAN SHELTER RATING
32	5 RIFFLE	19	109	3474	23	6.7	0.4	356	11381	155	4950	0	0	142	
66	13 FLATWATER	39	135	8927	58	10.1	0.5	831	54825	365	24096	0	0	145	
72	21 POOL	42	42	3009	20	9.9	1.2	409	29474	510	36746	417	417	107	
TOTAL UNITS			TOTAL LENGTH (ft.)		TOTAL AREA (sq. ft.)		TOTAL VOL. (cu. ft.)								
170			15410		95679		65792								

Devil Creek

Drainage: East Austin Creek, Big Austin Creek, Russian River

Table 2 - SUMMARY OF HABITAT TYPES AND MEASURED PARAMETERS

Survey Dates: 09/10/96 to 10/01/96

Confluence Location: QUAD: CAZADERO LEGAL DESCRIPTION: 9NR11WS28 LATITUDE: 38°35'40" LONGITUDE: 123°4'19"

HABITAT UNITS #	UNITS FULLY MEASURED	HABITAT TYPE	HABITAT OCCURRENCE %	MEAN LENGTH ft.	TOTAL LENGTH ft.	MEAN WIDTH ft.	TOTAL WIDTH %	MEAN DEPTH ft.	MAXIMUM DEPTH ft.	MEAN AREA sq.ft.	TOTAL AREA sq.ft.	EST. RESIDUAL VOLUME cu.ft.	MEAN SHELTER RATING	MEAN CANOPY %
22	2	LGR	13	87	1916	12	12	0.2	0.7	367	8082	99	2178	46
5	1	HGR	3	205	1025	7	7	0.5	1.2	659	3297	330	1649	55
4	2	CAS	2	127	507	3	3	0.7	1.3	339	1357	226	903	92
1	0	BRS	1	26	26	0	0	0.1	0.3	49	49	5	0	65
4	1	GLD	2	78	313	2	2	0.4	1.2	1336	5342	534	2137	75
26	4	RUN	15	107	2783	18	18	0.5	1.1	608	15818	167	4343	67
36	8	SRN	21	162	5831	38	38	0.5	1.6	906	32634	443	15948	81
2	2	CCP	1	27	54	0	0	1.0	2.4	227	453	219	438	88
4	4	STP	2	75	301	2	2	1.7	4.2	696	2783	1478	5911	74
2	1	CRP	1	37	74	0	0	0.9	2.1	254	509	220	441	100
12	4	LSR	7	40	483	3	3	1.2	3.5	345	4144	409	4906	84
34	6	LSBK	20	42	1444	9	9	1.2	5.7	450	15314	539	18318	76
18	4	LSBo	11	36	653	4	4	1.1	3.7	355	6394	379	6818	75

TOTAL UNITS	TOTAL UNITS	LENGTH (ft.)	AREA (sq.ft)	TOTAL VOL. (cu.ft)
170	39	15410	96177	63992

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Drainage: East Austin Creek, Big Austin Creek, Russian River

Table 3 - SUMMARY OF POOL TYPES

Survey Dates: 09/10/96 to 10/01/96

Confluence Location: QUAD: CAZADERO LEGAL DESCRIPTION: 9NR11WS2B LATITUDE: 38°35'40" LONGITUDE: 123°4'19"

HABITAT UNITS	HABITAT FULLY MEASURED	HABITAT TYPE	HABITAT PERCENT OCCURRENCE	MEAN LENGTH (ft.)	TOTAL LENGTH (ft.)	MEAN WIDTH (ft.)	MEAN DEPTH (ft.)	MEAN AREA (sq.ft.)	TOTAL AREA (sq.ft.)	MEAN VOLUME (cu.ft.)	TOTAL VOLUME (cu.ft.)	MEAN RESIDUAL POOL VOL. (cu.ft.)	MEAN SHELTER RATING
6	6	MAIN	8	59	355	12	1.5	539	3236	1058	6349	943	161
66	15	SCOUR	92	40	2654	88	1.2	397	26201	458	30240	366	102
TOTAL UNITS	72			TOTAL LENGTH (ft.)	3009			TOTAL AREA (sq.ft.)	29436		TOTAL VOL. (cu.ft.)	36589	

Devil Creek Drainage: East Austin Creek, Big Austin Creek, Russian River

Table 4 - SUMMARY OF MAXIMUM POOL DEPTHS BY POOL HABITAT TYPES Survey Dates: 09/10/96 to 10/01/96

Confluence Location: QUAD: CAZADERO LEGAL DESCRIPTION: 9NR11WS28 LATITUDE: 38°35'40" LONGITUDE: 123°4'19"

UNITS MEASURED	HABITAT TYPE	<1 FOOT		1-<2 FT.		2-<3 FT.		3-<4 FT.		>=4 FEET	
		HABITAT PERCENT OCCURRENCE	MAXIMUM DEPTH								
2	CCP	3	0	0	1	50	1	50	0	0	0
4	STP	6	0	0	0	0	2	50	1	25	1
2	CRP	3	0	0	1	50	1	50	0	0	0
12	LSR	17	0	0	2	17	8	67	2	17	0
34	LSBK	47	0	0	7	21	21	62	5	15	1
18	LSBo	25	0	0	9	50	4	22	5	28	0

TOTAL UNITS 72

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Drainage: East Austin Creek, Big Austin Creek, Russian River

Table 5 Summary of Shelter by Habitat Type

Survey Dates: 09/10/96 to 10/01/96

Confluence Location: QUAD: CAZADERO LEGAL DESCRIPTION: 9NR1WS28 LATITUDE: 38°35'40" LONGITUDE: 123°4'19"

UNITS MEASURED	HABITAT TYPE	SQ. FT. UNDERCUT BANKS	SQ. FT. SMD	SQ. FT. LWD	SQ. FT. ROOT MASS VEGETATION	SQ. FT. TERR. VEGETATION	SQ. FT. AQUATIC VEGETATION	SQ. FT. WHITE WATER	SQ. FT. BOULDERS	SQ. FT. BEDROCK LEDGES
22	LGR	0	30	0	0	10	0	0	261	0
5	KGR	0	0	0	0	0	0	377	1130	0
4	CAS	0	37	0	0	37	110	122	668	0
1	BRS	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
4	GLD	89	0	0	0	59	0	0	0	0
26	RUN	76	38	38	6	6	48	25	828	69
36	SRN	489	355	262	160	1059	104	730	3686	0
2	CCP	0	27	0	4	4	4	0	108	0
4	STP	218	140	24	49	187	834	189	514	429
2	CRP	65	13	6	16	12	0	0	79	0
12	LSR	521	280	399	314	79	0	0	472	32
34	LSBK	332	290	32	182	466	41	65	2159	351
18	LSBO	286	54	28	46	125	0	44	1286	195
TOTAL		2076	1264	789	777	2044	1141	1552	11391	1076
		9%	6%	4%	4%	9%	5%	7%	52%	5%
POOLS		1422	804	489	611	873	879	298	4618	1007
		13%	7%	4%	6%	8%	8%	3%	42%	9%

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Drainage: East Austin Creek, Big Austin Creek, Russian River

Table 6 - SUMMARY OF DOMINANT SUBSTRATES BY HABITAT TYPE

Survey Dates: 09/10/96 to 10/01/96

Confluence Location: QUAD: CAZADERO LEGAL DESCRIPTION: 9NR11WS28 LATITUDE: 38°35'40" LONGITUDE: 123°4'19"

TOTAL HABITAT UNITS	HABITAT TYPE	% TOTAL SILT/CLAY DOMINANT	% TOTAL SAND DOMINANT	% TOTAL GRAVEL DOMINANT	% TOTAL SM COBBLE DOMINANT	% TOTAL LG COBBLE DOMINANT	% TOTAL BOULDER DOMINANT	% TOTAL BEDROCK DOMINANT
22	3 LGR	0	0	0	100	0	0	0
5	1 HGR	0	0	0	0	0	100	0
4	2 CAS	0	0	0	0	0	100	0
1	1 BRS	0	0	0	0	0	0	100
4	1 GLD	0	0	0	100	0	0	0
6	4 RUN	0	25	25	25	25	50	0
6	8 SRN	0	0	0	25	50	25	0
0	2 CCP	0	0	100	0	0	0	0
4	4 STP	0	0	50	0	0	50	0
2	1 CRP	0	0	0	0	100	0	0
2	4 LSR	0	0	75	0	0	25	0
4	6 LSBk	0	0	0	0	17	50	33
8	4 LSBd	0	25	25	0	25	25	0

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APPENDIX A. Summary of Mean Percent Vegetative Cover for Entire Stream

Mean Percent Canopy	Mean Percent Evergreen	Mean Percent Deciduous	Mean Right bank % Cover	Mean Left Bank % Cover
72.80	48.91	50.54	68.34	76.95

APPENDIX B.

Mean Percentage of Dominant Substrate

Dominant Class of Substrate	Number Units Right Bank	Number Units Left Bank	Total Mean Percent
Bedrock	18	15	40.24
Boulder	7	8	18.29
Cobble/Gravel	10	9	23.17
Silt/clay	6	9	18.29

Mean Percentage of Dominant Vegetation

Dominant Class of Vegetation	Number Units Right Bank	Number Units Left Bank	Total Mean Percent
Grass	1	0	1.22
Brush	0	2	2.44
Deciduous Trees	19	15	41.46
Evergreen Trees	21	24	54.88
No Vegetation	0	0	0

APPENDIX C. FISH HABITAT INVENTORY DATA SUMMARY

STREAM NAME: Devil Creek
 SAMPLE DATES: 09/10/96 to 10/01/96
 STREAM LENGTH: 15371 ft.
 LOCATION OF STREAM MOUTH:
 USGS Quad Map: CAZADERO
 Legal Description: 9NR11WS28

Latitude: 38°35'40"
 Longitude: 123°4'19"

SUMMARY OF FISH HABITAT ELEMENTS BY STREAM REACH

STREAM REACH 1

Channel Type: F3
 Channel Length: 12053 ft.
 Riffle/Flatwater Mean Width: 12 ft.
 Total Pool Mean Depth: 1.1 ft.
 Base Flow: 0.0 cfs
 Water: 57 - 71 °F Air: 57 - 81 °F
 Dom. Bank Veg.: Evergreen Trees
 Vegetative Cover: 74%
 Dom. Bank Substrate: Bedrock
 Embeddness Value: 1. 0% 2. 100%

Canopy Density: 67%
 Evergreen Component: 55%
 Deciduous Component: 44%
 Pools by Stream Length: 18%
 Pools >=3 ft. deep: 18%
 Mean Pool Shelter Rtn: 89
 Dom. Shelter: Boulders
 Occurrence of LOD: 17%
 Dry Channel: 0 ft.

3. 0% 4. 0%

STREAM REACH 2

Channel Type: A1
 Channel Length: 1223 ft.
 Riffle/Flatwater Mean Width: 4 ft.
 Total Pool Mean Depth: 1.6 ft.
 Base Flow: 0.0 cfs
 Water: 57 - 60 °F Air: 64 - 70 °F
 Dom. Bank Veg.: Evergreen Trees
 Vegetative Cover: 55%
 Dom. Bank Substrate: Bedrock
 Embeddness Value: 1. 0% 2. 100%

Canopy Density: 70%
 Evergreen Component: 13%
 Deciduous Component: 88%
 Pools by Stream Length: 17%
 Pools >=3 ft. deep: 33%
 Mean Pool Shelter Rtn: 152
 Dom. Shelter: Boulders
 Occurrence of LOD: 0%
 Dry Channel: 0 ft.

3. 0% 4. 0%

STREAM REACH 3

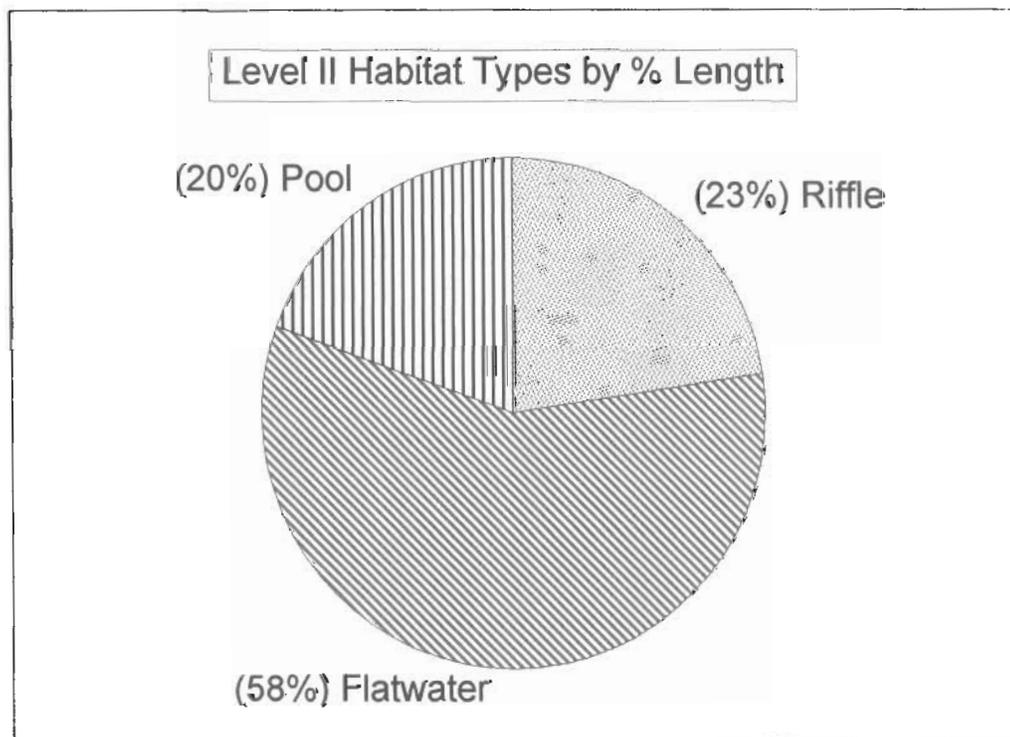
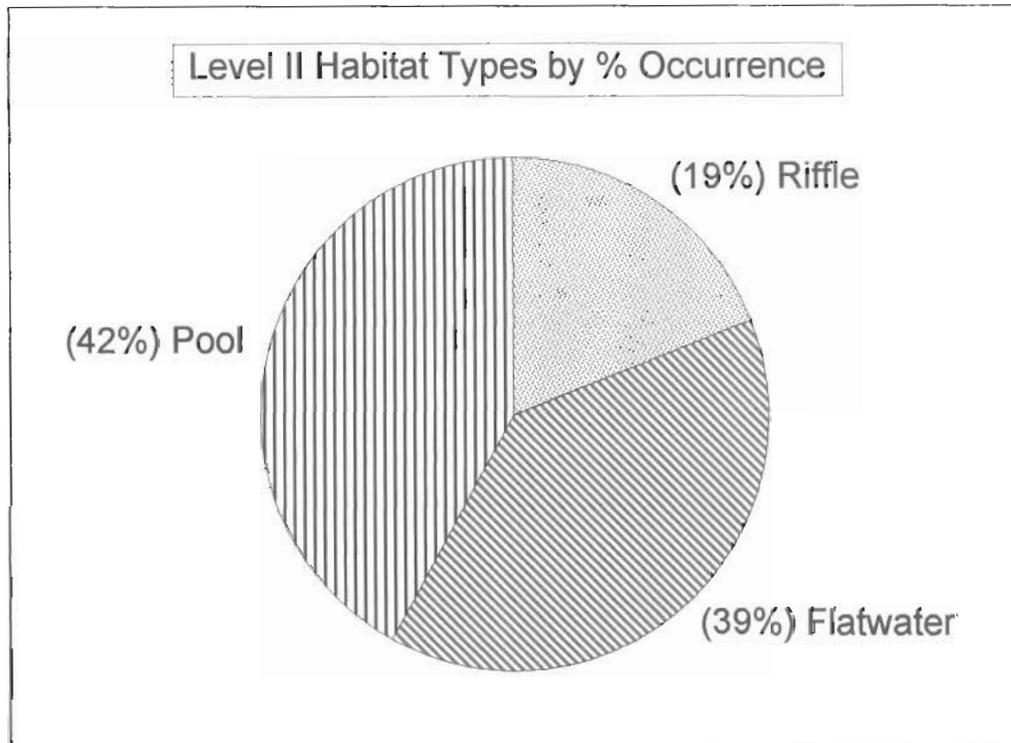
Channel Type: F2
 Channel Length: 2095 ft.
 Riffle/Flatwater Mean Width: 5 ft.
 Total Pool Mean Depth: 1.4 ft.
 Base Flow: 0.0 cfs
 Water: 56 - 67 °F Air: 64 - 70 °F
 Dom. Bank Veg.: Evergreen Trees
 Vegetative Cover: 82%
 Dom. Bank Substrate: Bedrock
 Embeddness Value: 1. 0% 2. 100%

Canopy Density: 93%
 Evergreen Component: 43%
 Deciduous Component: 58%
 Pools by Stream Length: 27%
 Pools >=3 ft. deep: 27%
 Mean Pool Shelter Rtn: 158
 Dom. Shelter: Boulders
 Occurrence of LOD: 8%
 Dry Channel: 0 ft.

3. 0% 4. 0%

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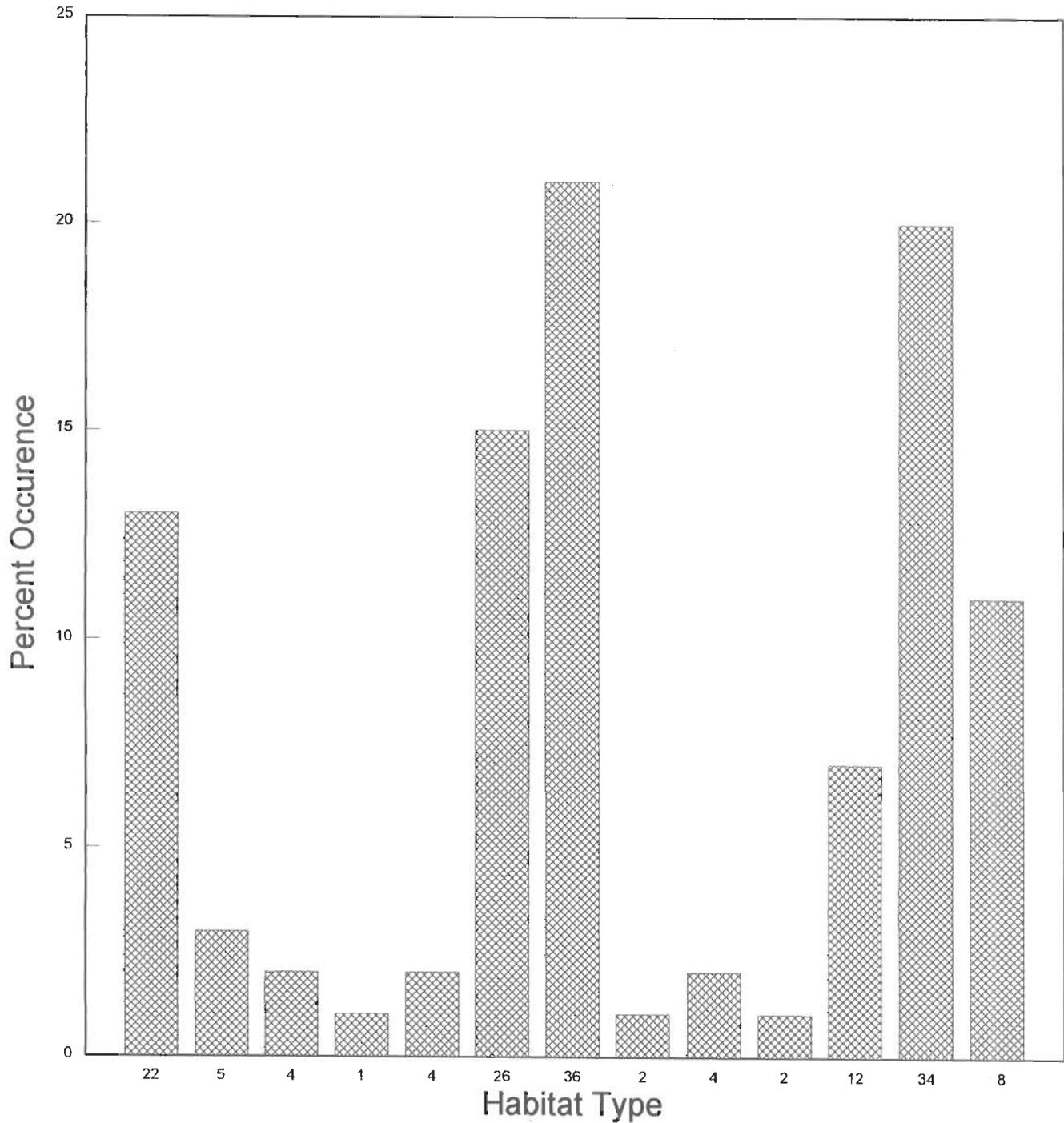
Level II Habitat Types



Graph 1

Devil Creek

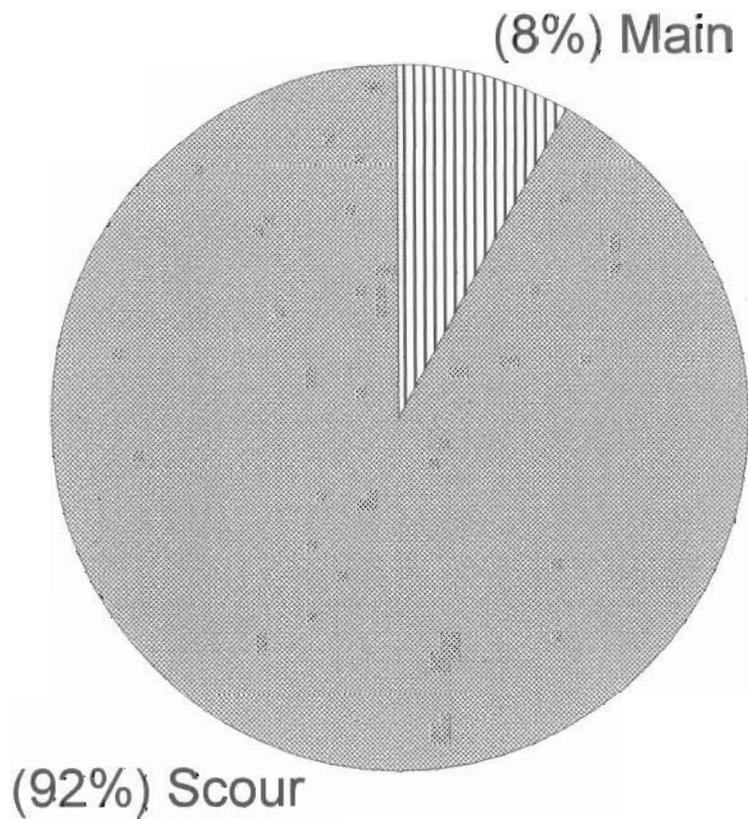
Level IV Habitat Types by % Occurrence



Graph 2

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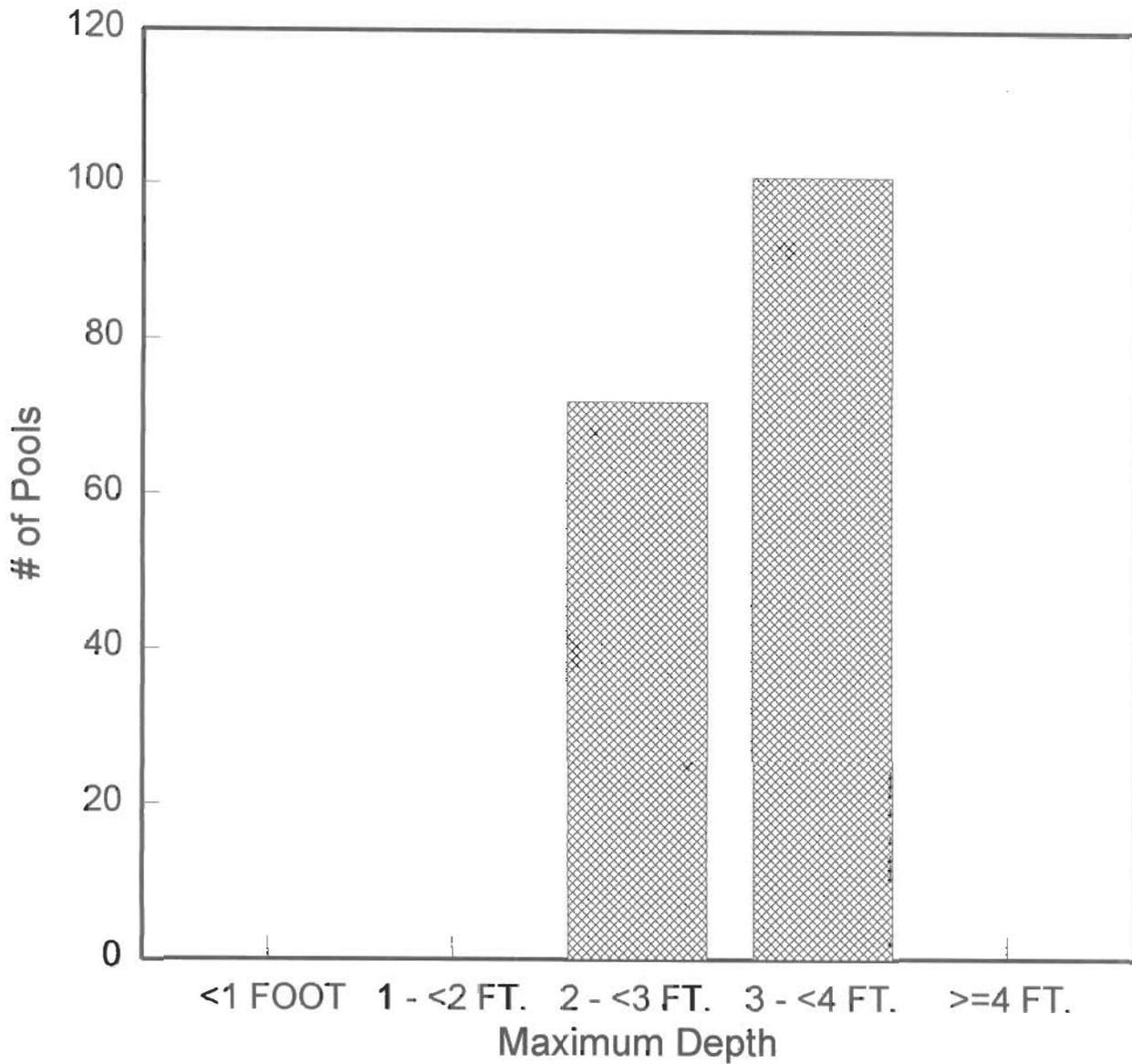
Pool Habitat Types by % Occurrence



Graph 3

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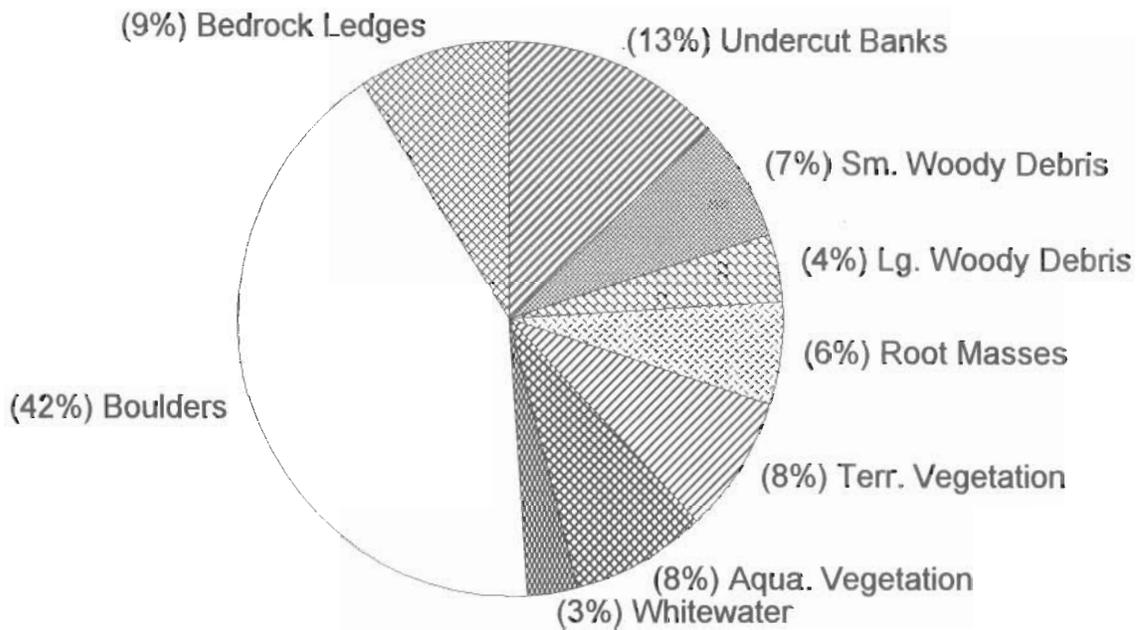
Maximum Depth in Pools



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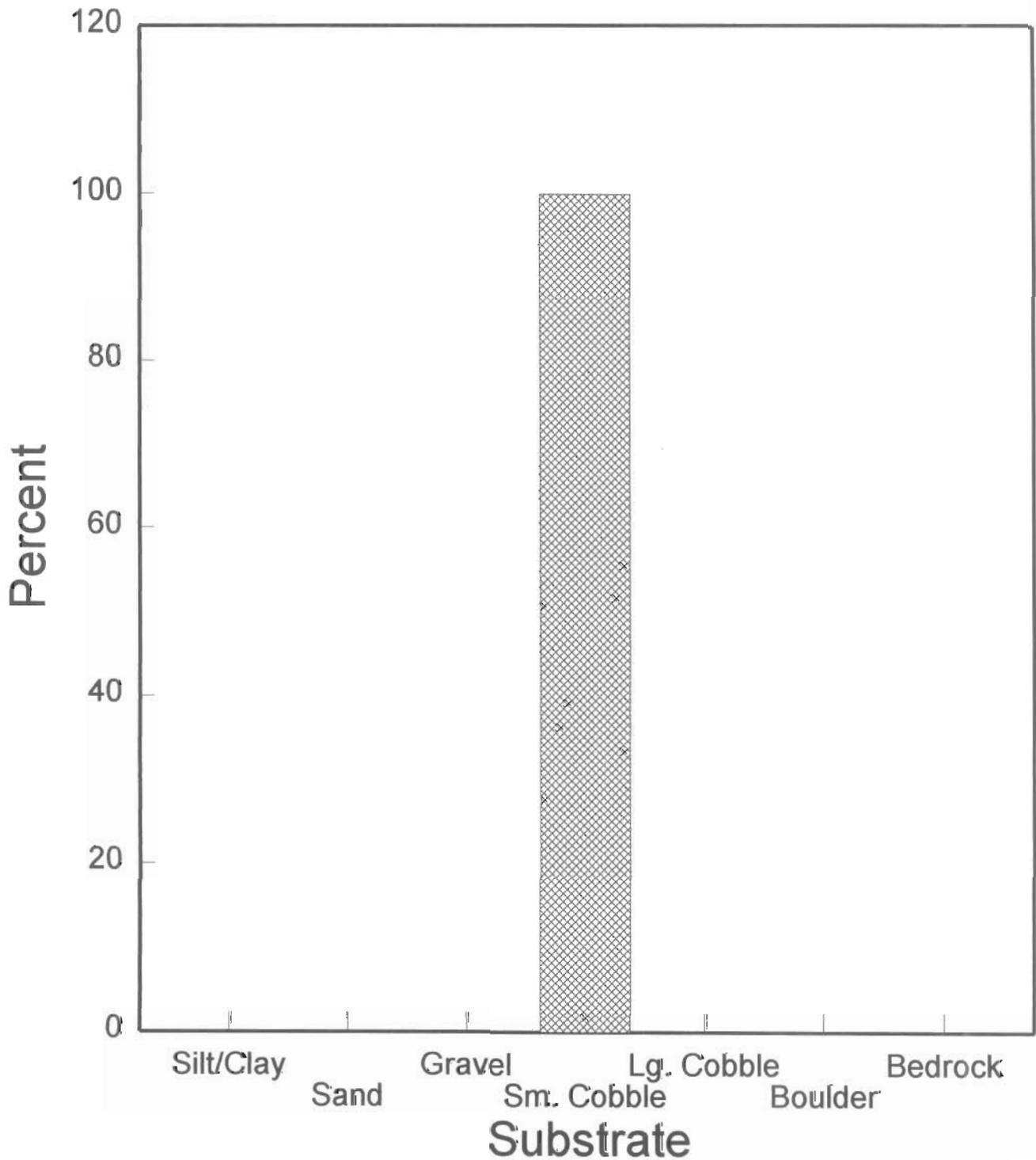
Pool Shelter Types by % Area



Graph 5

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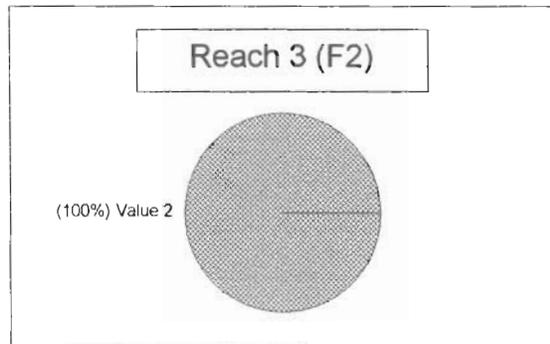
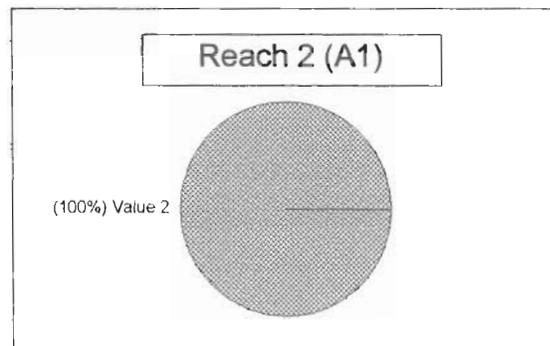
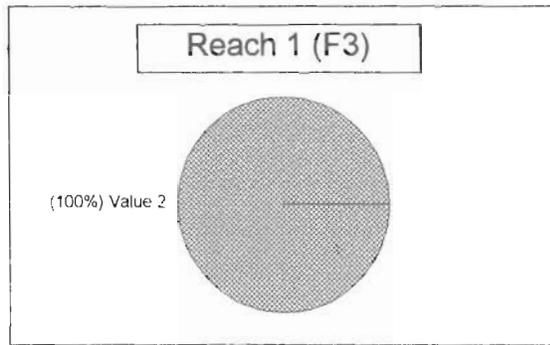
Substrate Composition in Low Gradient Riffles



Graph 6

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Percent Cobble Embeddedness by Reach

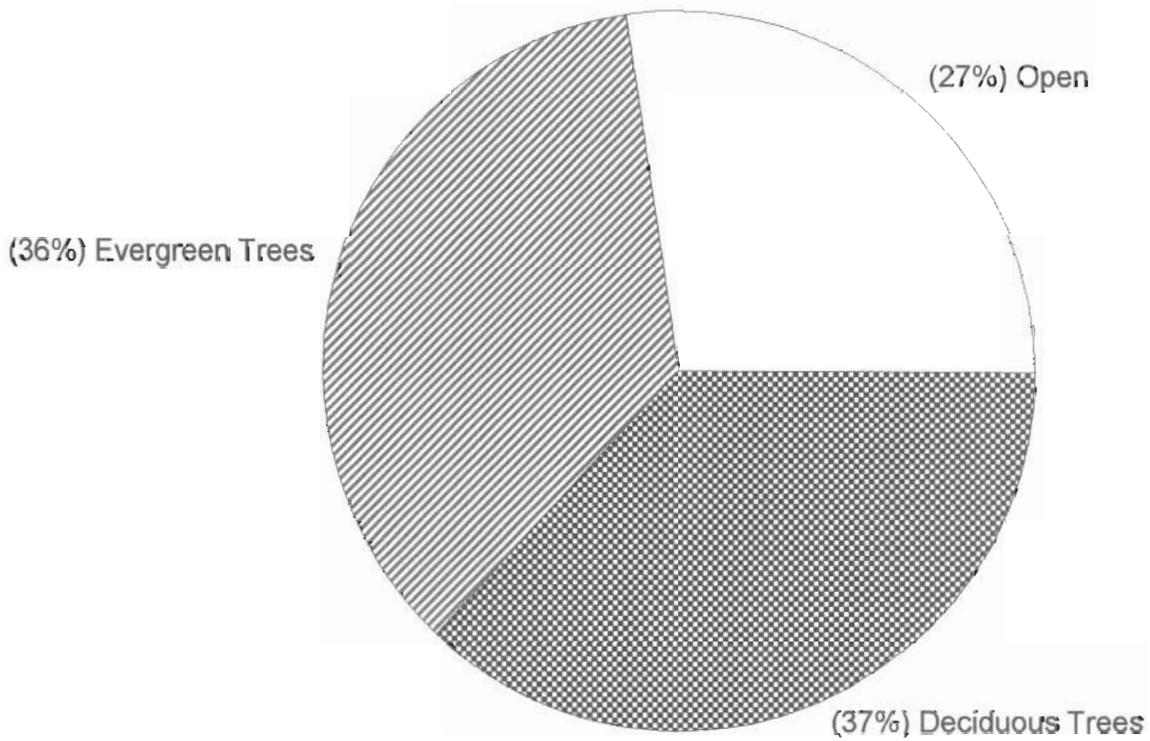


Value 1 = <25% Value 2 = 25-50% Value 3 = 51-75% Value 4 = >76%

Graph 7

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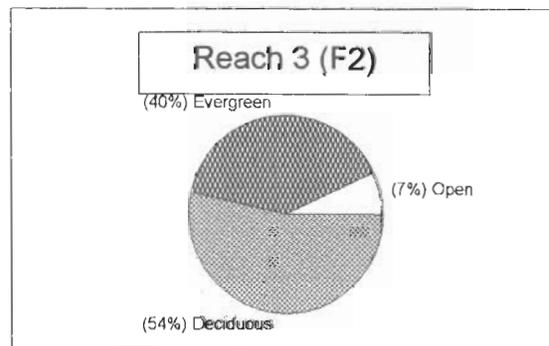
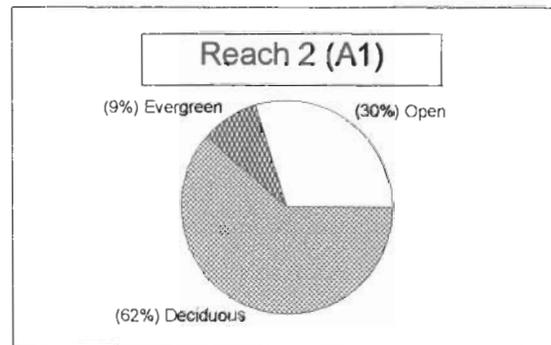
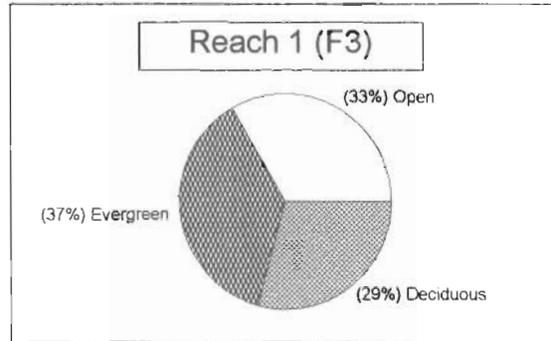
Mean Percent Canopy



Graph 8

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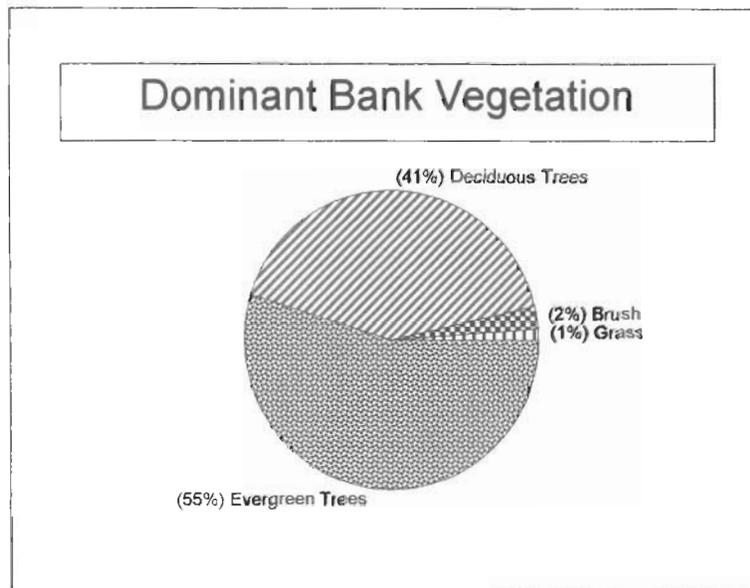
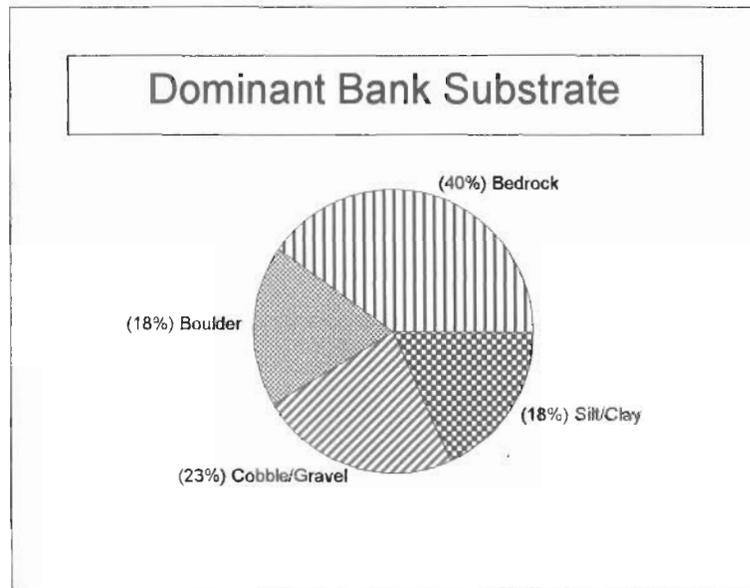
Percent Canopy By Reach



Graph 9

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Percent Bank Composition



Graph 10