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1. Introduction

The proposed Bus Rapid Transit (BRT) corridor in northwest Ingham County provides a number of opportunities to positively impact the Greater Lansing area. Economically, the BRT has the potential to attract new businesses and residents to the area by providing a great transportation alternative between the capital and the connecting communities to the east. This in turn enhances existing businesses and property values. Socially, it provides an economical transportation choice for residents and visitors to get to a variety of institutions, entertainment venues, neighborhoods, and businesses.

Although transportation projects like the BRT typically are associated with potential negative impacts to the environment, this project will be retrofitted into the existing Michigan/Grand River Avenue corridor. As such, it is anticipated that the project should not have any major impacts to the surrounding natural features. However, there is potential for this project to have a negative impact indirectly on the surrounding natural lands, native plants, waterways, and wildlife populations by serving as an attractive transportation asset for future development. Based on that potential, the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) determined that an Environmental Assessment (EA) needed to be completed prior to development of the Michigan/Grand River Avenue BRT.

To help inform the EA, the Tri-County Regional Planning Commission contracted with the Michigan Natural Features Inventory (MNFI) to conduct targeted biological surveys at sites with potential for high ecological value. Using 1938 aerial photographs, potential conservation area assessment, current aerial imagery, the MNFI natural heritage database, and other data sources, MNFI staff conducted a spatial analysis to identify sites within the corridor with the highest potential for harboring rare plant species and/or high quality natural communities. Private landowners and public managers were contacted to determine which parcels were accessible for conducting surveys.

Based on this information, MNFI inventoried and assessed the highest priority sites within the corridor. The results of this study demonstrate that despite the highly urbanized and fragmented landscape found in northwest Ingham County, areas of moderate ecological value still exist within and adjacent to the BRT corridor. Ultimately, this information will be used to inform the EA of ecological condition within the corridor, identify high priority sites for protection, management and/or restoration, and potentially influence the final design for the BRT corridor.

2. Land Cover Change

Circa 1800 Vegetation for the Tri-County Region

At the time of the General Land Office surveys in the early 1800s, the Tri-County Region was heavily forested. The dominant natural cover was American beech and sugar maple forest, which accounted for 680,000 acres (280,000 hectares), or 62% of the total surface area of the region (Table 1). This mesic forest type was particularly characteristic of fine-textured loamy soils on the gently rolling ground moraine that characterizes much of the area. Oak-hickory forest, which occurred primarily on end moraines and sandy river bluffs, occupied approximately 180,000 ac (73,000 ha), or 16.5% of the region, concentrated in southeastern Clinton County and southeastern Ingham County. Other upland communities of lesser prevalence included mixed oak savanna, mixed oak forest, black oak barren, and white pine – mixed hardwood forest. Upland prairies were very small and local (Comer et. al.1995a, b).

Wetlands were extensive in the Tri-County Region circa 1800, occupying linear outwash channels, poorly drained depressions, and glacial kettles (Figure 1). Mixed conifer swamps characterized by tamarack occupied approximately 87,000 ac (35,000 ha), or 8% of the region. Mixed hardwood swamp (including floodplain forest) was also prevalent, occupying 58,000 ac (23,000 ha), or 5% of the region. Other wetland communities included shrub swamp/emergent marsh, wet prairie (including southern wet meadow and prairie fen), and black ash swamp. Acidic sphagnum bog and poor conifer swamp communities occurred locally in kettle depressions and lake basins (Comer et. al.1995a, b).

Table 1. Tri-County Region Vegetation Circa 1800 (acres)

| Cover Type | Clinton | Eaton | Ingham | Total |
|------------------------------------|---------|---------|---------|---------|
| Beech – Sugar Maple Forest | 220,000 | 280,000 | 180,000 | 680,000 |
| Oak – Hickory Forest | 74,000 | 21,000 | 85,000 | 180,000 |
| Mixed Conifer Swamp | 17,000 | 35,000 | 35,000 | 87,000 |
| Mixed Hardwood Swamp | 24,000 | 18,000 | 16,000 | 58,000 |
| Shrub Swamp/Emergent Marsh | 9,600 | 4,800 | 18,000 | 32,000 |
| Mixed Oak Savanna | 4,600 | 5,000 | 5,500 | 15,000 |
| Mixed Oak Forest | 5,500 | 0 | 8,900 | 14,000 |
| Wet Prairie | 5,200 | 1,000 | 8,200 | 14,000 |
| Lake/River | 2,500 | 2,200 | 2,200 | 6,900 |
| Black Oak Barren | 440 | 450 | 2,600 | 3,500 |
| Black Ash Swamp | 450 | 1,200 | 370 | 2,000 |
| White Pine – Mixed Hardwood Forest | 1,300 | 0 | 0 | 1,300 |
| Muskeg/Bog | 180 | 150 | 17 | 350 |
| Grassland | 160 | 36 | 0 | 200 |
| White Pine Forest | 130 | 0 | 0 | 130 |
| Exposed Bedrock | 0 | 23 | 0 | 23 |

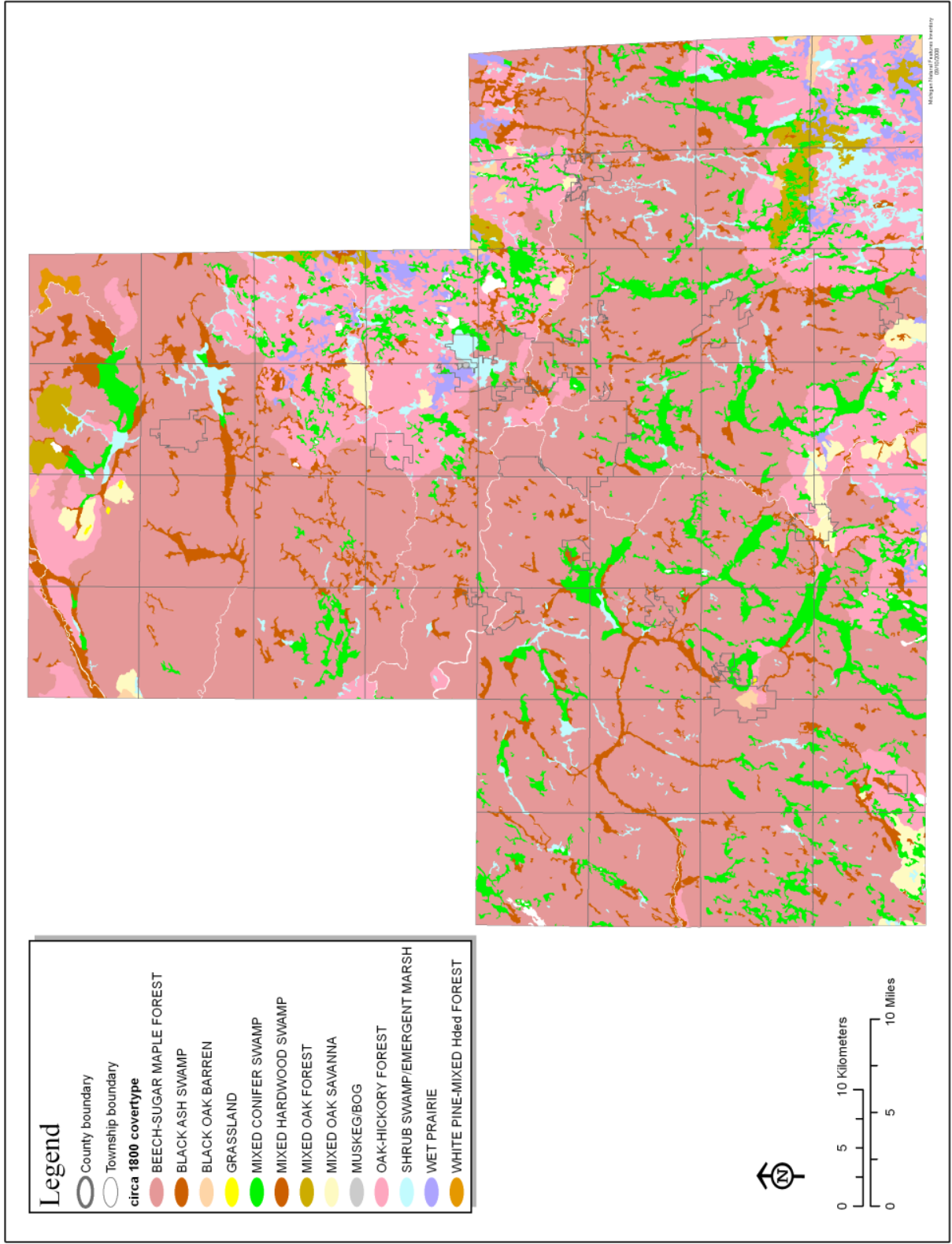


Figure 1. Circa 1800 Vegetation for the Tri-County Region.

Ingham County Land Cover Change

Frank Turner in An Account of Ingham County (1924) described Ingham County as covered by primeval forest that was difficult to traverse and very intimidating to settlers in the early 1800's. Because this territory was so densely wooded, Ingham County was one of the last counties in the region to be settled by Europeans. In the 1820s, most of the upland was beech-sugar maple-basswood forest (Comer 1996). Turner (1924) further explains that maple was highly valued in the county and was found in most all of the townships. Maple sugar during these times was a staple product that was used to pay taxes, buy groceries and to pay carriage on letters before postage stamps were used.

Turner (1924) notes that in the northwest part of the county there was a wide diversity of trees including oak, maple, beech, elm, basswood, black walnut, hickory, sycamore, dogwood, ash, ironwood, black cherry, cottonwood, poplar and hazel. The principal timber in the south and east part of the county was oak that grew in more open places, which the earlier settlers called "oak openings". Oak apparently was very abundant in Locke and Leroy townships, especially north of the Red Cedar River. Comer (1996) in his study of the General Land Office survey field notes, explains that oak-hickory forest, dry black oak-white oak forest and oak savanna were common on the drier outwash and end moraines across the southern townships of Ingham County, and that oak-hickory forest and oak savanna also occurred along the Red Cedar River and around Lake Lansing (Figure 2).






Oak timber was one of the most valuable assets of the county, with many lumbermen claiming the quality and quantity to be greater than that found in any other county in Michigan (Turner 1924). It is estimated that the amount of oak manufactured from the county ranged from four to eight million square feet. This is likely a very conservative estimate; given that there was close to a 50 percent loss of raw material during the manufacturing process. In 1872, a local botanist, Mr. Steward, told Frank Turner that he was asked by Asa Gray of Boston and Professor Beal of the Michigan Agricultural College (M.A.C., now Michigan State University) to travel through the woods of the county and make a collection of the different species of oak. When he was done he reported twenty seven different species (today many of these species designations have been combined), which the founders of M.A.C. preserved for future generations to enjoy (Turner 1924).

The marshes in the central and southern part of the county, which the early settlers relegated to the rattlesnakes and fur-bearing animals, were either covered by tamarack, spruce or open peat bogs that were later used for fuel. The open marshes covered by coarse grass were used by early settlers for hay and pasture for their livestock (Turner 1924). Mixed hardwood swamps were common in active river floodplains, and the sandy outwash deposits in the southern part of the county supported wet prairie, emergent marsh, tamarack swamp and buttonbush swamp. Based on historical map data, it is estimated that there were approximately 78,000 acres of wetland in the county. This represents roughly 22 percent of the total county acreage.

Most of the Tri-County Region was cleared for agriculture by the mid-1800s as the rich, fine-textured, loamy soils that supported beech-maple forests proved excellent for farming. Agricultural development was aided by extensive use of drain tiles and ditches, which reduced wetland acreage by nearly 50% in the region. These drained organic soils were used to produce mint and other specialty crops (Albert 1995).

In this analysis, current landcover in the tri-county region (Table 2 and Figure 3) is represented using the Integrated Forest Monitoring Assessment and Prescription data layer (hereafter referred to as IFMAP). IFMAP coverage is based upon landsat satellite imagery rather than aerial photography and provides a finer classification scheme than the updated 2005 MIRIS coverage, which is useful when cross walking Circa 1800 vegetation with current land cover.

Table 2. Tri County Land Cover Change: Circa 1800 Vegetation to 2006 Landcover (acres)

| Cover Type | Ingham Circa 1800 | Ingham 2006 | Percent Change |
|---|-------------------|-------------|---|
| Beech-Sugar Maple Forest | 176,000 | 9,600 |  96% |
| Oak- Forest/ Oak Savanna & Black Oak Barren | 102,300 | 11,400 |  98% |
| Mixed Conifer Swamp | 35,300 | 600 |  98% |
| Mixed Hardwood Swamp/ Black Ash Swamp | 16,800 | 23,700 |  32% |
| Shrub/ Emergent Wetland | 26,100 | 19,200 |  10% |
| Lake/River | 2,200 | 2,100 | 0% |

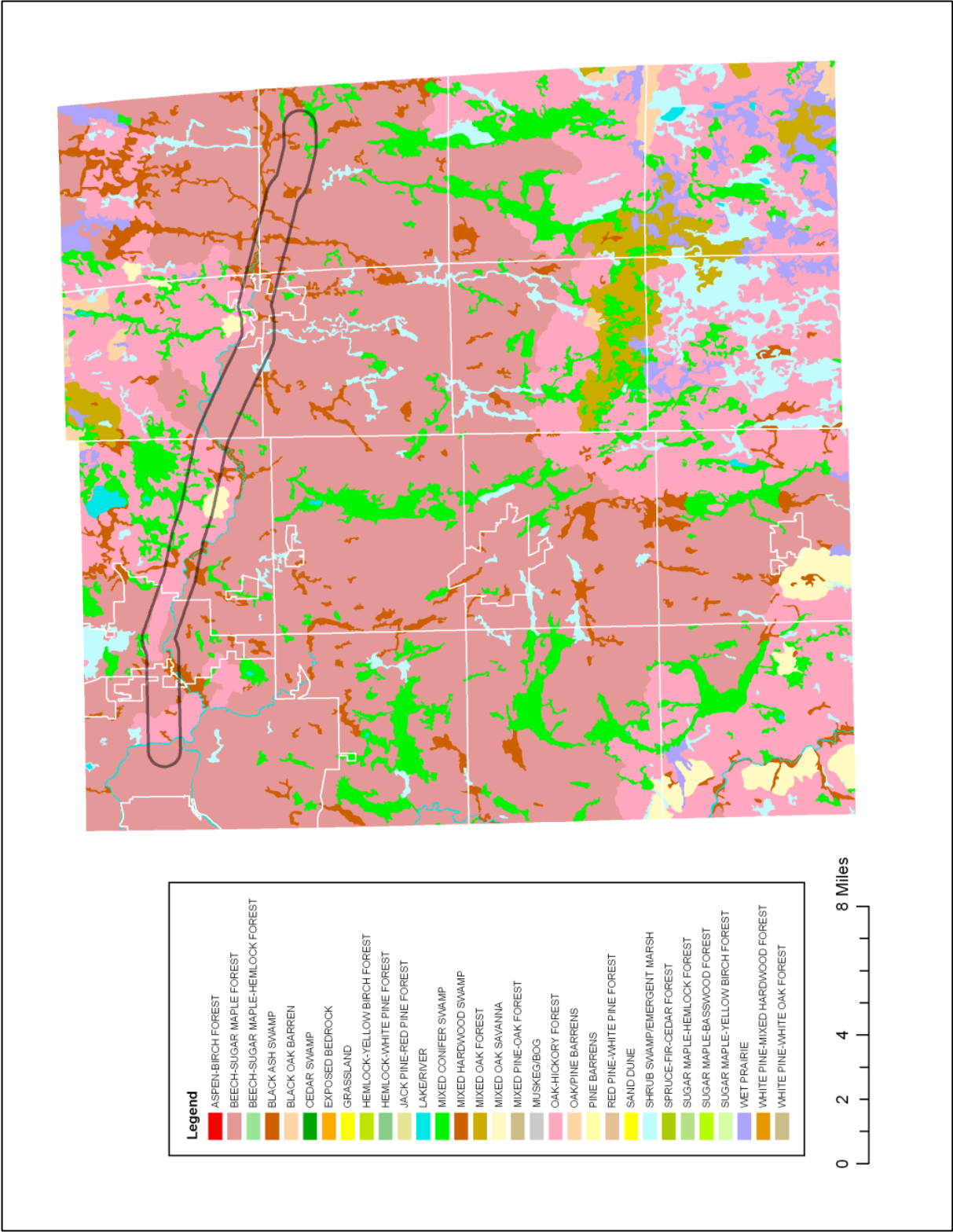


Figure 2. Circa 1800 vegetation of Ingham County.

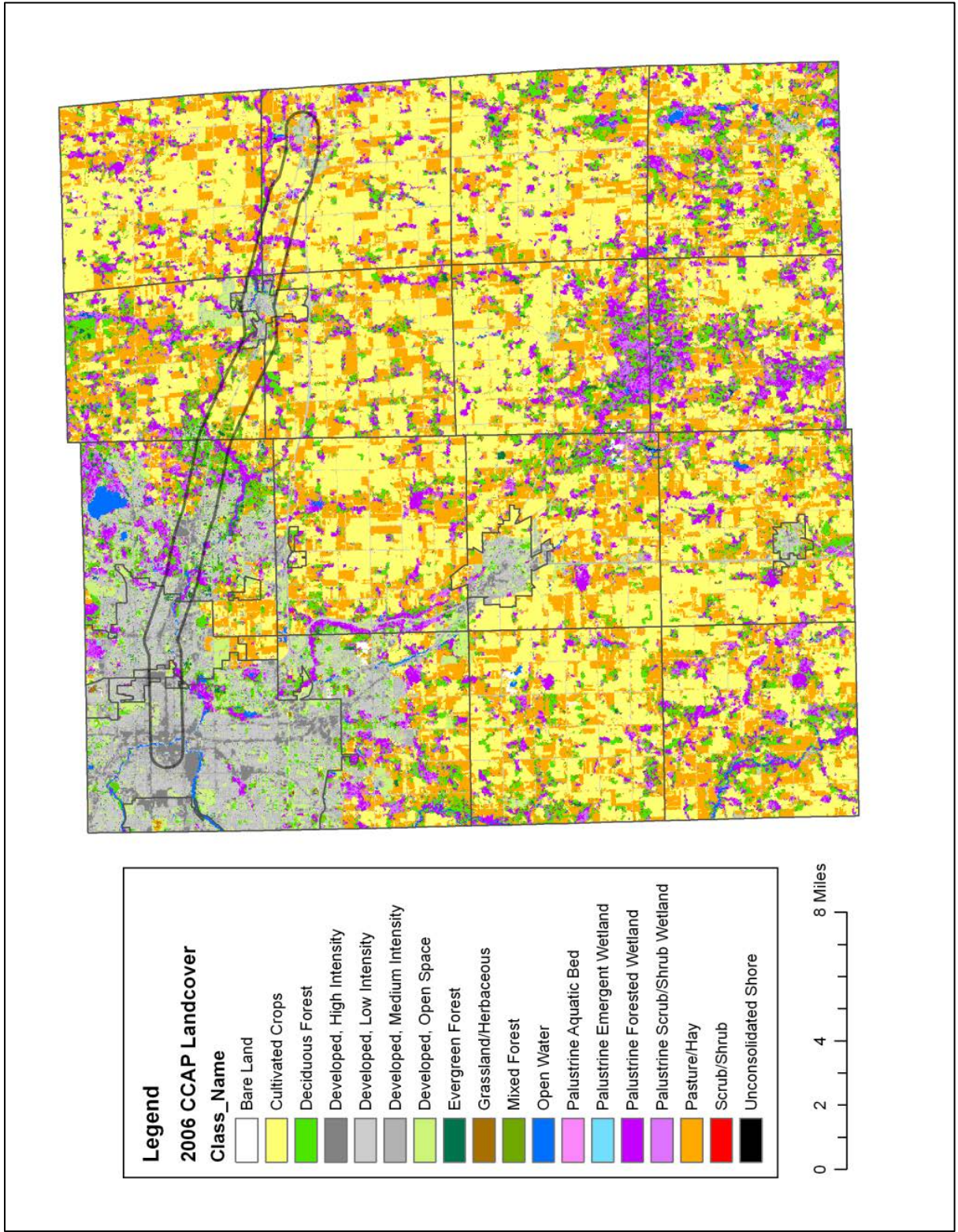


Figure 3. Circa 2006 Landcover of Ingham County.







BRT Corridor Land Cover Change

The BRT Corridor is approximately 13,446 acres in size running 20 miles from the Capitol on Michigan Avenue east to the town of Webberville. Similar to the Tri-County land cover change, the Corridor has undergone a tremendous amount of land use modification starting when the Europeans first settled the area in the mid-1800s. In fact, the Corridor runs along the area with the highest amount of urbanization in the entire Tri-County region.

Despite the high amount of urbanization that has occurred primarily since the 1950s, the corridor still contains a modest amount of natural habitat. As depicted in Table 3, beech-sugar maple forest was the most common cover type followed by oak forest. Wetlands, such as mixed conifer swamp, mixed hardwood swamp, and shrub/ emergent wetlands were found in scattered depressions in between the upland forests, and along the Red Cedar River floodplain.

The biggest losses of natural land cover in the corridor occurred in the upland forest types of beech-sugar maple forest and oak-forest, which lost 93% and 90% respectively (Table 3; Figures 4,5,and 6). These upland forests were first cleared for their superior timber value and later farmed, particularly the beech-sugar maple forests which had richer, more mesic soils. Mixed conifer swamp also experienced a steep decline, losing 92% of its original coverage from the mid 1800s (Figures 7,8, and 9).

Table 3. BRT corridor land cover change: Circa 1800 vegetation to 2006 land cover (acres)

| Cover Type | BRT Corridor Circa 1800 | BRT Corridor 2006 | Percent Change |
|---|-------------------------|-------------------|---|
| Beech-Sugar Maple Forest | 7,575 | 566 |  93% |
| Oak- Forest/ Oak Savanna & Black Oak Barren | 3,841 | 391 |  90% |
| Mixed Conifer Swamp | 502 | 40 |  92% |
| Mixed Hardwood Swamp | 1,167 | 800 |  32% |
| Shrub Swamp/ Emergent Wetland | 70 | 760 |  1085% |
| Lake/River | 290 | 244 |  16% |

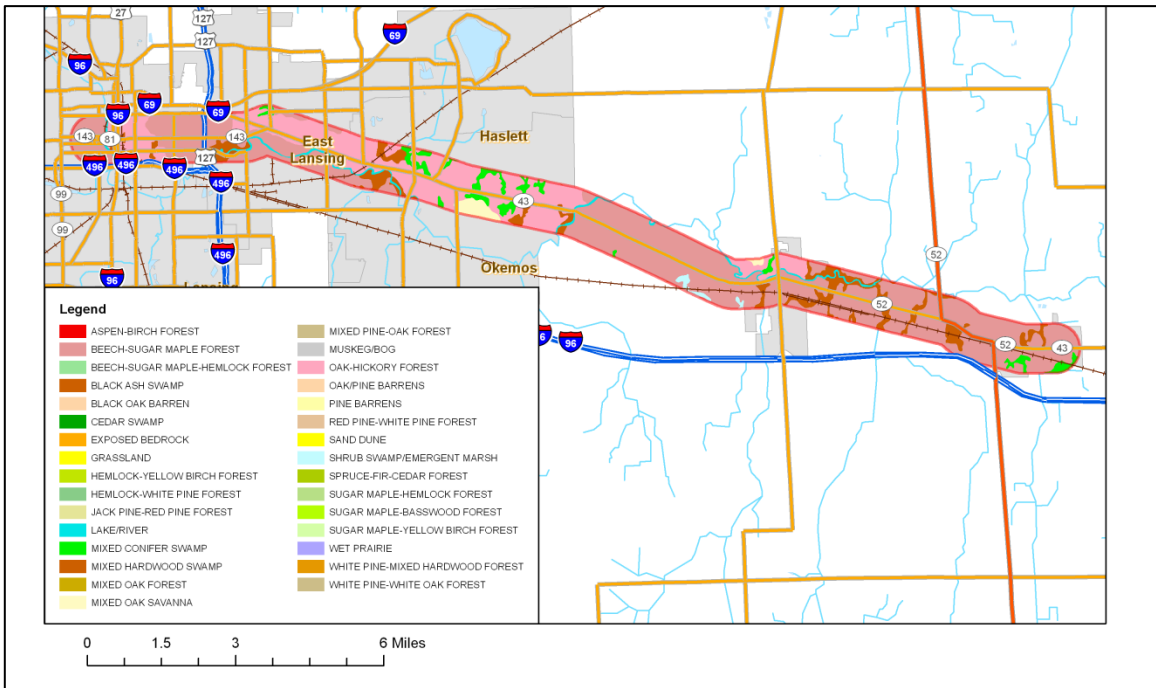


Figure 4. Circa 1800 Vegetation within the BRT Corridor.

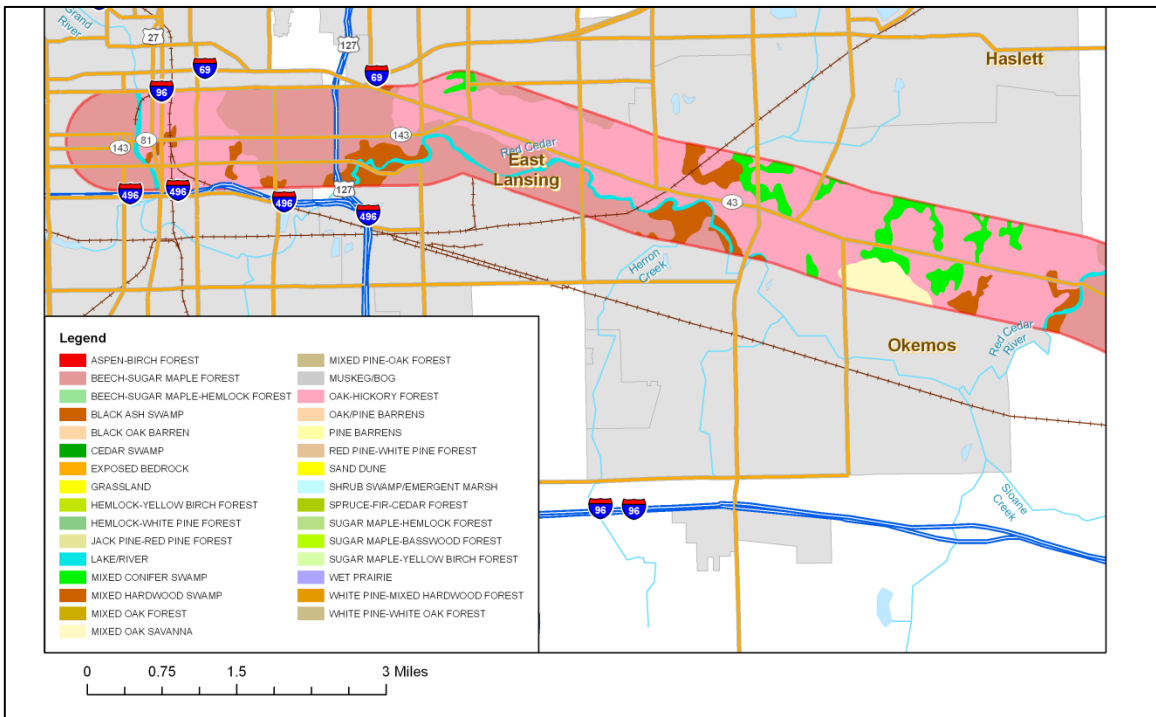


Figure 5. Circa 1800 Vegetation within the west portion of the BRT Corridor.

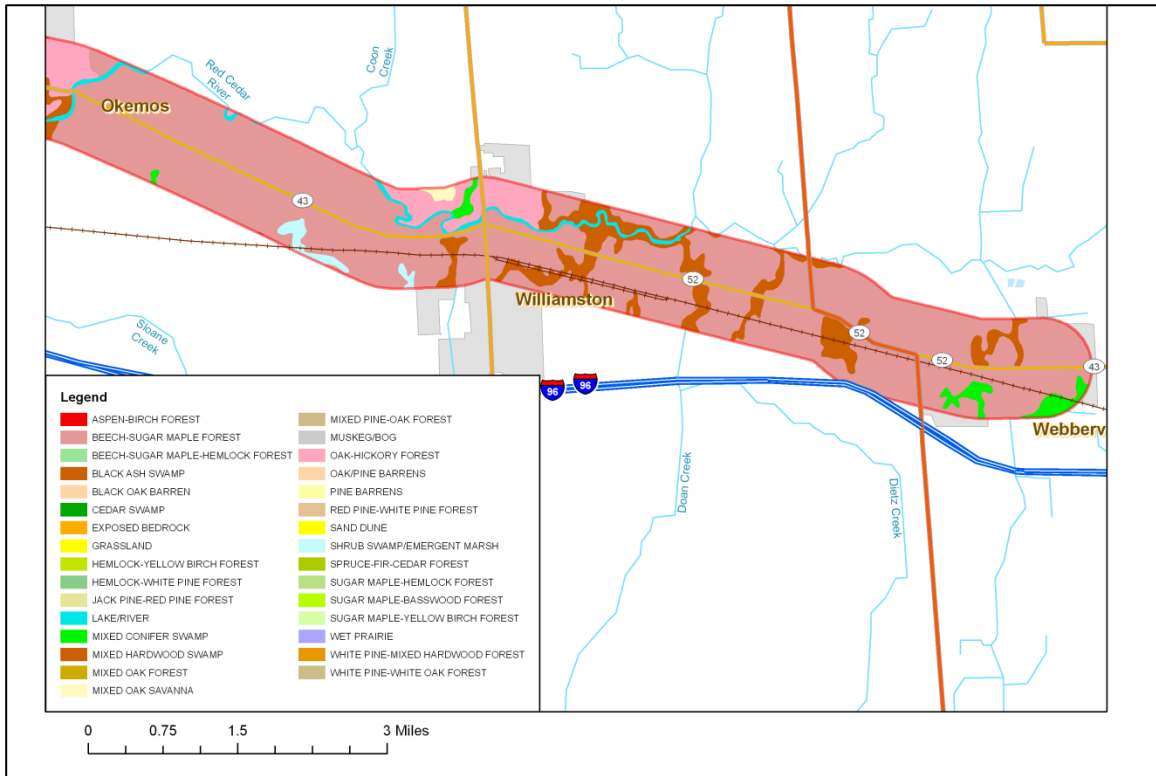


Figure 6. Circa 1800 Vegetation within the east portion of the BRT Corridor

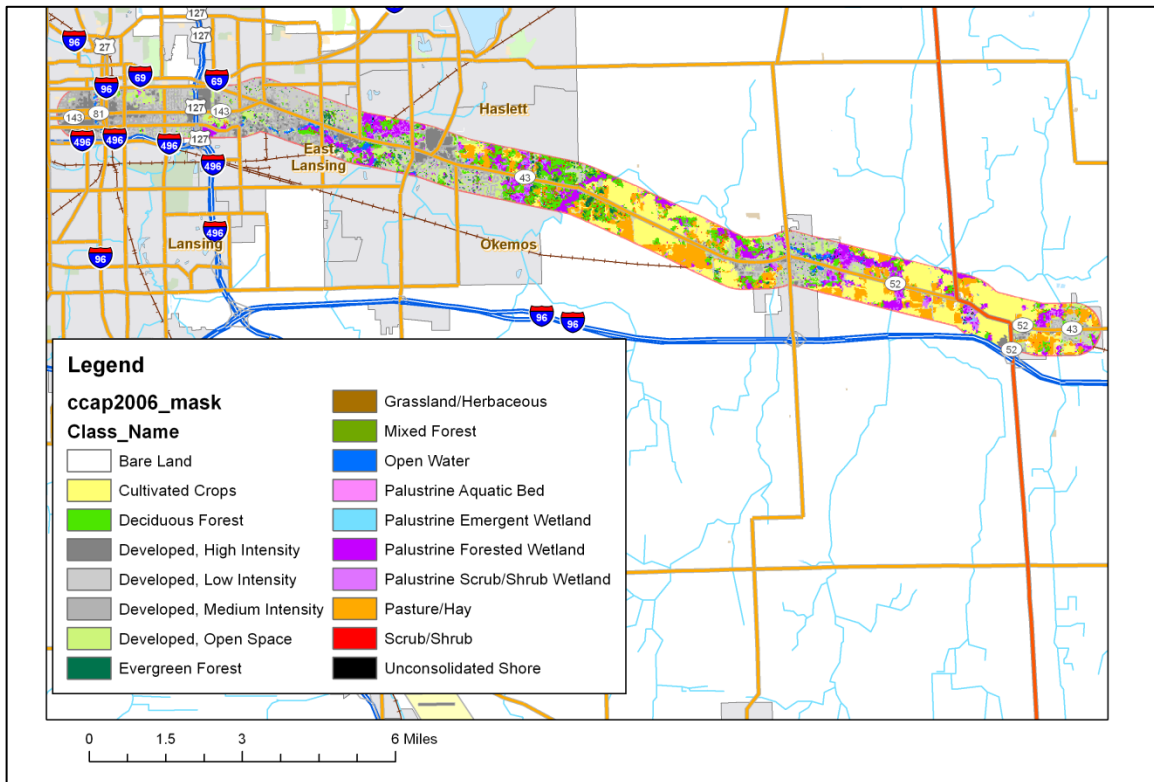


Figure 7. Circa 2006 Land Cover within the BRT Corridor.

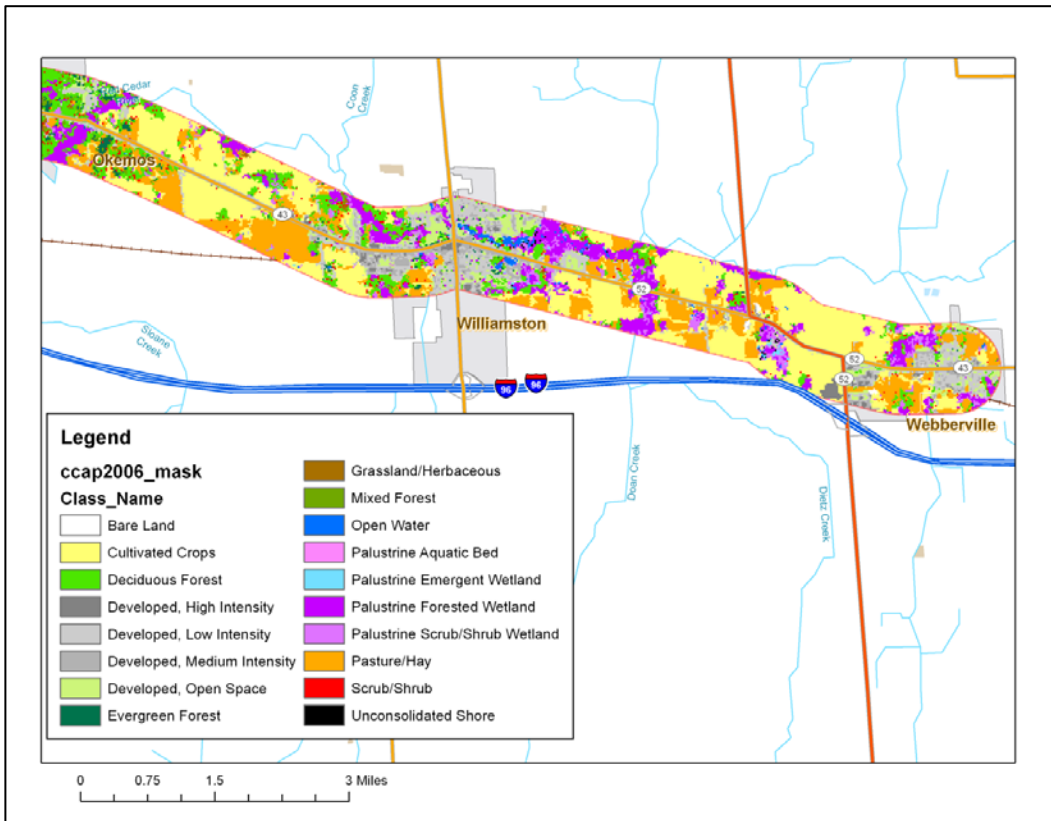


Figure 8. Circa 2006 Land Cover within the east portion of the BRT Corridor

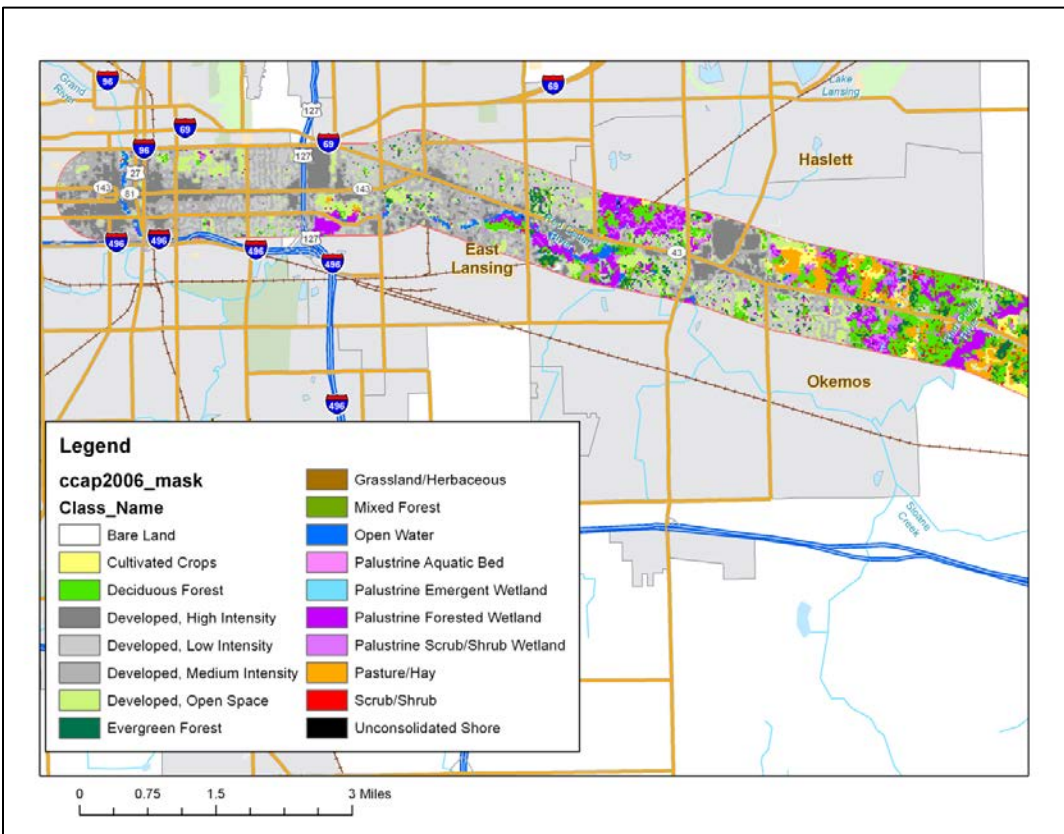


Figure 9. Circa 2006 Land Cover within the west portion of the BRT Corridor.

3. Plant and Natural Community Surveys

Introduction

Based on the land cover change results from the first chapter, it was apparent that the best opportunities for discovering and documenting high quality natural communities and/or rare plant species would occur in the two forest types with the most remaining acreage: beech-sugar maple forest (or mesic southern forest) in the uplands, and hardwood swamp forest in the lowlands, primarily along the Red Cedar floodplain. Although there is also a relatively high number of acres for shrub swamp, most of these areas likely developed after the forested wetlands were cleared and or drained. The best remaining remnants of mesic southern forest primarily occur near the floodplain of the Red Cedar River. Mixed hardwood swamp occurs in two different forms in the study area: southern hardwood swamp and southern floodplain forest. Based on our experience, the more intact of these two wetland types is typically southern floodplain forest in the southern portion of the Lower Peninsula. Pulling all of this information together, it was determined that mesic southern forest, southern hardwood swamp, and southern floodplain forest were our targeted natural community types for the two year survey effort (2013-2014). In particular, we targeted what appeared to be the most intact sites along the Red Cedar River corridor.

Methods

As a first step, we analyzed the Potential Conservation Areas (PCAs) identified in a previous effort by Paskus, et al. (2008). PCAs are based on remote sensed data and ecological principles to identify sites that have varying levels of potential for containing unique and/or high quality natural features. A total of 33 PCAs fell within the BRT Corridor and made the first cut for targeted floristic and natural community surveys. Of these, 10 occurred within or adjacent to the Red Cedar River floodplain, while 23 occurred in isolated wetland and upland pockets.

Since PCAs are primarily based on remote sensed data and the highest priority PCAs tend to be large in size, additional methods are employed to further discern where the best natural areas are within these PCAs. To help identify the most intact natural areas within these priority PCAs, digital circa 1938 aerial photographs were secured from Remote Sensing Geographic Information System (RSGIS), Michigan State University and reviewed onscreen. Areas over several acres in size with natural vegetation (forest or wetland) were digitized using ArcGIS version 10.2 software. A total of 41 polygons were identified totaling 1,026 acres. Surprisingly, the natural lands in 1938 within the 22 mile long BRT Corridor represented only 7.6% of the landscape (Figure 10). The vast majority of land was already converted to agriculture by 1938 with the remaining lands converted to urban use primarily along the Grand River Avenue corridor. Using this information, large to moderately sized natural areas with large tree canopies (signifying old mature trees) that were buffered by blocks of contemporary natural land cover within priority PCAs were highlighted for targeted plant and natural community surveys. In addition, natural community and plant species element occurrence records from the MNFI natural heritage database (2014) were reviewed to highlight old records in need of updating and to further guide our survey efforts.

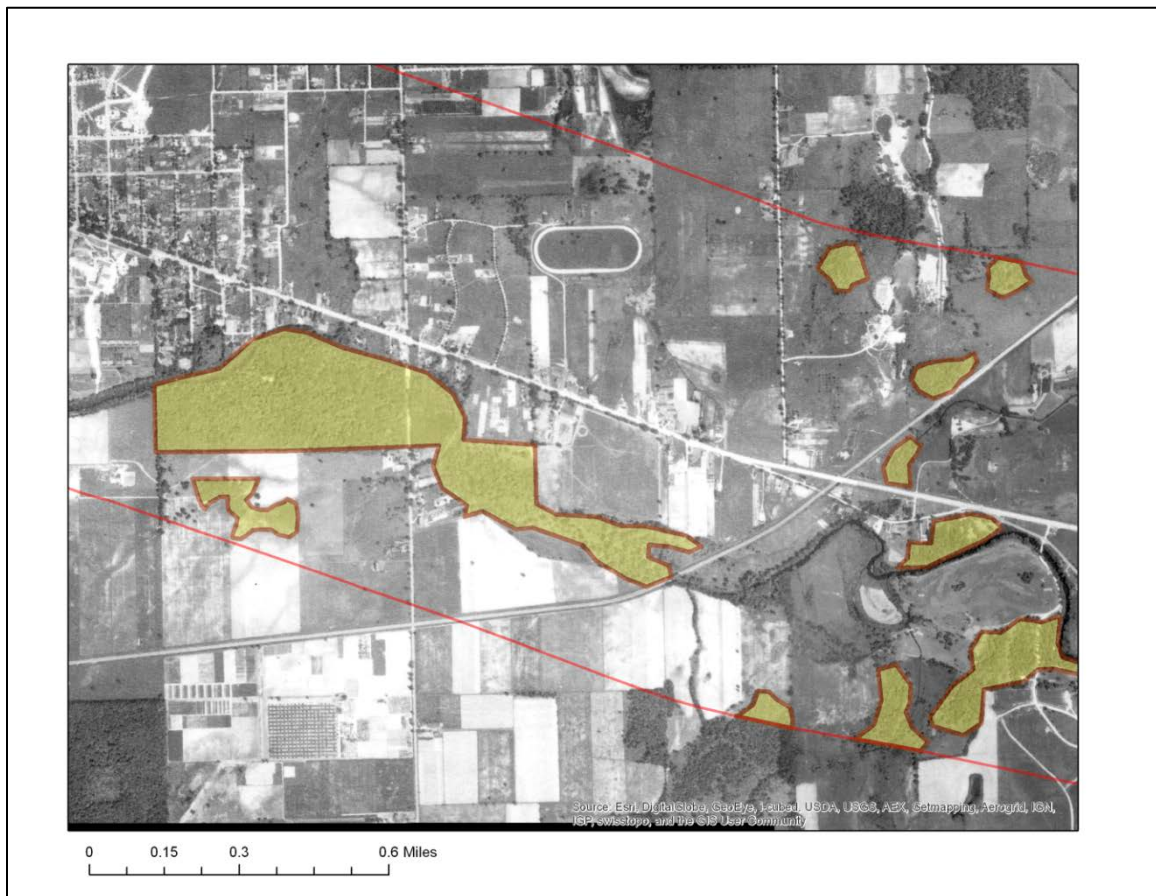


Figure 10. Example of circa 1938 natural land cover patches within the BRT Corridor.

Ecological Surveys

The BRT Corridor (and all associated natural lands) occurs on the Lansing Till Plain, a broad, gently rolling end moraine centered in the Lansing region. This vast ground moraine comprises the largest ecoregion in the southern Lower Peninsula (Albert 1995). It was created as the Wisconsin glaciers advanced and retreated over the area numerous times, leaving behind a mixture of soil types and rocky debris called glacial till. The majority of the ground moraine in the Greater Lansing area is characterized by rich, loamy soils that have mostly been converted to agriculture. The Red Cedar River flows 51 miles in a westerly direction through the ground moraine, originating in southeastern Livingston County, and ending at the confluence of the Grand River in Lansing. Sites targeted for ecological surveys are primarily characterized by floodplain forest with associated patches of mesic southern forest and dry-mesic southern forest on the better drained soils. Sites with small end moraines within the till plain are hillier and support numerous ice block depressions such as the small bogs and southern wet meadows found in the Meridian Township portion of the corridor.

MNFI biologists conducted ecological surveys at nine of the targeted PCAs over the two year survey period from 2013-2014. Biologists conducted meander searches at each site to document native and non-native plant species during the growing season. Since the majority of plants associated with floodplain forests and mixed hardwood swamps are recognizable at the peak of

the growing season, surveys were conducted between early June and mid-September. GPS Points were taken for each population of a rare plant species encountered in the field. Natural community boundaries were delineated on aerial photographs while in the field. Animal surveys were not a part of this study and therefore no animal surveys of any kind were conducted.

Ecological information collected within these nine PCAs located within the BRT Corridor were organized into eight site ecological summaries: 1) Sanford Woods in East Lansing; 2) Ferguson Park in Meridian Township; 3) Van Atta Road Natural Area in Meridian Township; 4) Davis/Foster Preserve in Meridian Township; 5) Ted Black Woods in Meridian Township; 6) Williamston East in the city of Williamston, and Williamston, Locke, and Leroy Townships; 7) Dietz Rd. in Locke and Leroy Townships; and 8) Perry Rd. West in Locke and Leroy Townships (Figure 11). Ecological summaries for each of these eight sites are provided in this report.

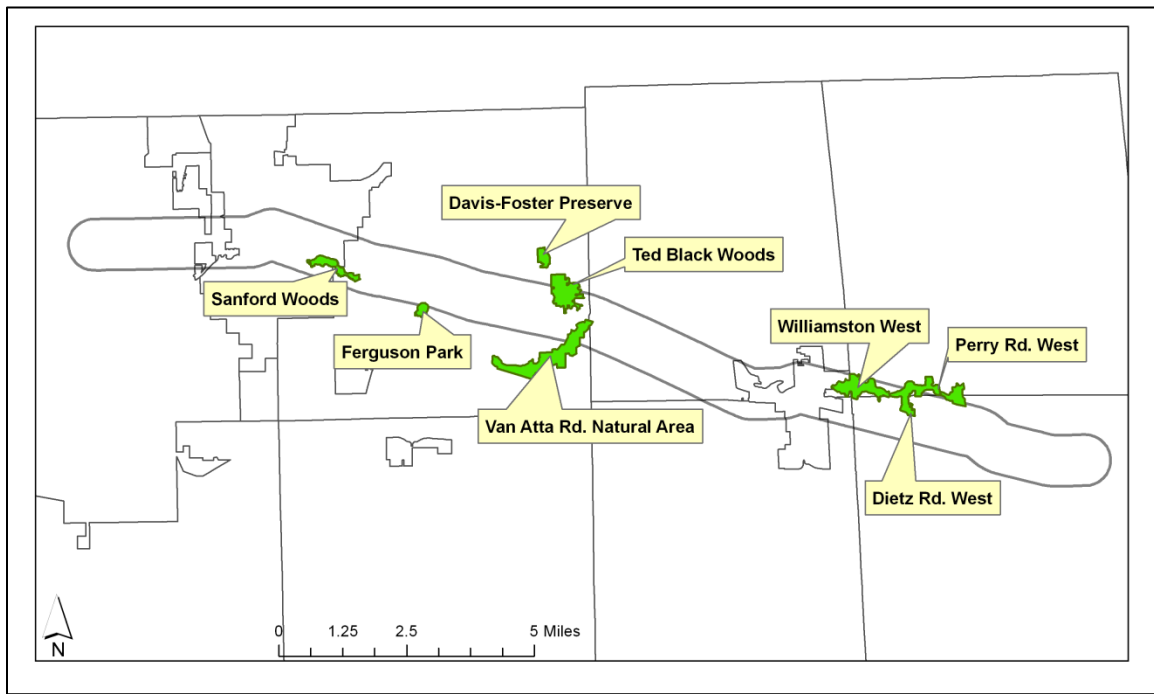


Figure 11. Sites surveyed for plants and natural communities within the BRT Corridor during the 2013 and 2014 growing seasons.

Site Ecological Summaries

The site ecological summaries following this section provide brief synopses of the natural characteristics of each of the eight sites with an emphasis on natural communities and their associated native and non-native plant species. Each summary begins with information about the size, location, ownership, and Potential Conservation Areas of each site. The written portion of the summary consists of several sections containing pertinent information about the site and its natural features: 1) Site Location with directions on how to reach the site, 2) General Site Description that includes information on natural communities, associated plants, and rare plant populations, 3) Ecological Significance, 4) Disturbance and Threats, and 5) Stewardship Considerations. A map of each site with natural community boundaries and several digital photographs of natural communities and rare plant species are also included.

Table 4. Rare plant species with extant element occurrence records in the Tri-County region. State status, global and state ranks, and number of element occurrences (EOs) are listed.

| Common Name | Scientific name | State Status ² | Global Rank ³ | State Rank ⁴ | No. EOs |
|-------------------|-----------------------------|---------------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------|---------|
| Rock cress | <i>Boechera dentata</i> | T | G5 | S1 | 1 |
| Gray birch | <i>Betula populifolia</i> | SC | G5 | S3 | 1 |
| Davis's sedge | <i>Carex davisii</i> | SC | G4 | S3 | 2 |
| Cat-tail sedge | <i>Carex typhina</i> | T | G5 | S1 | 2 |
| American chestnut | <i>Castanea dentata</i> | E | G4 | S1S2 | 2 |
| Beak grass | <i>Diarrhena obovata</i> | T | G4G5 | S2 | 5 |
| Green violet | <i>Hybanthus concolor</i> | SC | G5 | S3 | 1 |
| Goldenseal | <i>Hydrastis canadensis</i> | T | G4 | S2 | 3 |
| Twinleaf | <i>Jeffersonia diphylla</i> | SC | G5 | S3 | 4 |
| Red mulberry | <i>Morus rubra</i> | T | G5 | S3 | 1 |
| Ginseng | <i>Panax quinquefolius</i> | T | G3G4 | S2 | 3 |
| Cup-plant | <i>Silphium perfoliatum</i> | T | G5 | S2 | 1 |
| Snow trillium | <i>Trillium nivale</i> | T | G4 | S2 | 1 |

²E – endangered; T – threatened; and SC – special concern.

³G1-critically imperiled; G2-imperiled; G3-vulnerable; G4-apparently secure; G5-secure; GNR-not ranked.

⁴S1-critically imperiled; S2-imperiled; S3-vulnerable; S4-apparently secure; S5-demonstrably secure; SU-possibly in peril, but status uncertain.

Table 5. Historical and extirpated rare plant species in the Tri-County region. State status, global and state ranks, and number of element occurrences (EOs) are listed.

| Common Name | Scientific name | State Status ² | Global Rank ³ | State Rank ⁴ | No. EOs |
|---------------------------|-------------------------------------|---------------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------|---------|
| Raven's-foot sedge | <i>Carex crus-corvi</i> | E | G5 | SH | 1 |
| False hop sedge | <i>Carex lupuliformis</i> | T | G3G4 | S2 | 2 |
| Hairy-fruited sedge | <i>Carex trichocarpa</i> | SC | G4 | S2 | 2 |
| Small-fruited panic-grass | <i>Dichantherium microcarpon</i> | SC | G5T5 | S2 | 1 |
| Showy orchis | <i>Galearis spectabilis</i> | T | G5 | S2 | 7 |
| Whorled pogonia | <i>Isotria verticillata</i> | T | G2G3 | S2 | 1 |
| Broad-leaved puccoon | <i>Lithospermum latifolium</i> | SC | G4 | S2 | 1 |
| Virginia water-horehound | <i>Lycopus virginicus</i> | T | G5 | S2 | 1 |
| Virginia bluebells | <i>Mertensia virginica</i> | E | G5 | S2 | 1 |
| Heart-leaved plantain | <i>Plantago cordata</i> | E | G4 | S1 | 1 |
| Bog bluegrass | <i>Poa paludigena</i> | T | G3 | S2 | 2 |
| Goosefoot corn-salad | <i>Valerianella chenopodiifolia</i> | T | G5 | S1 | 1 |

²E – endangered; T – threatened; and SC – special concern.

³G1-critically imperiled; G2-imperiled; G3-vulnerable; G4-apparently secure; G5-secure; GNR-not ranked.

⁴S1-critically imperiled; S2-imperiled; S3-vulnerable; S4-apparently secure; S5-demonstrably secure; SU-possibly in peril, but status uncertain.

Site Ecological Summary: Sanford Woods

Size: 86 acres
Location: Ingham County, East Lansing
Ownership: Michigan State University/partially private on east side of Hagadorn
PCA: #1238, score 11, High; #1229, score = 8, Moderate

LOCATION OF SITE:

Sanford Woods is located along the Red Cedar River in East Lansing on the northeast corner of Michigan State University, just south of Grand River Avenue. Hagadorn Road runs north and south and bisects the site. Access points with public parking: Sanford Woods is open to the general public; however, there is no public parking at the site. A pathway that runs parallel to the Red Cedar River is located on the south side of the river and winds through a portion of the site. Public parking can be found at various locations in East Lansing and on campus.

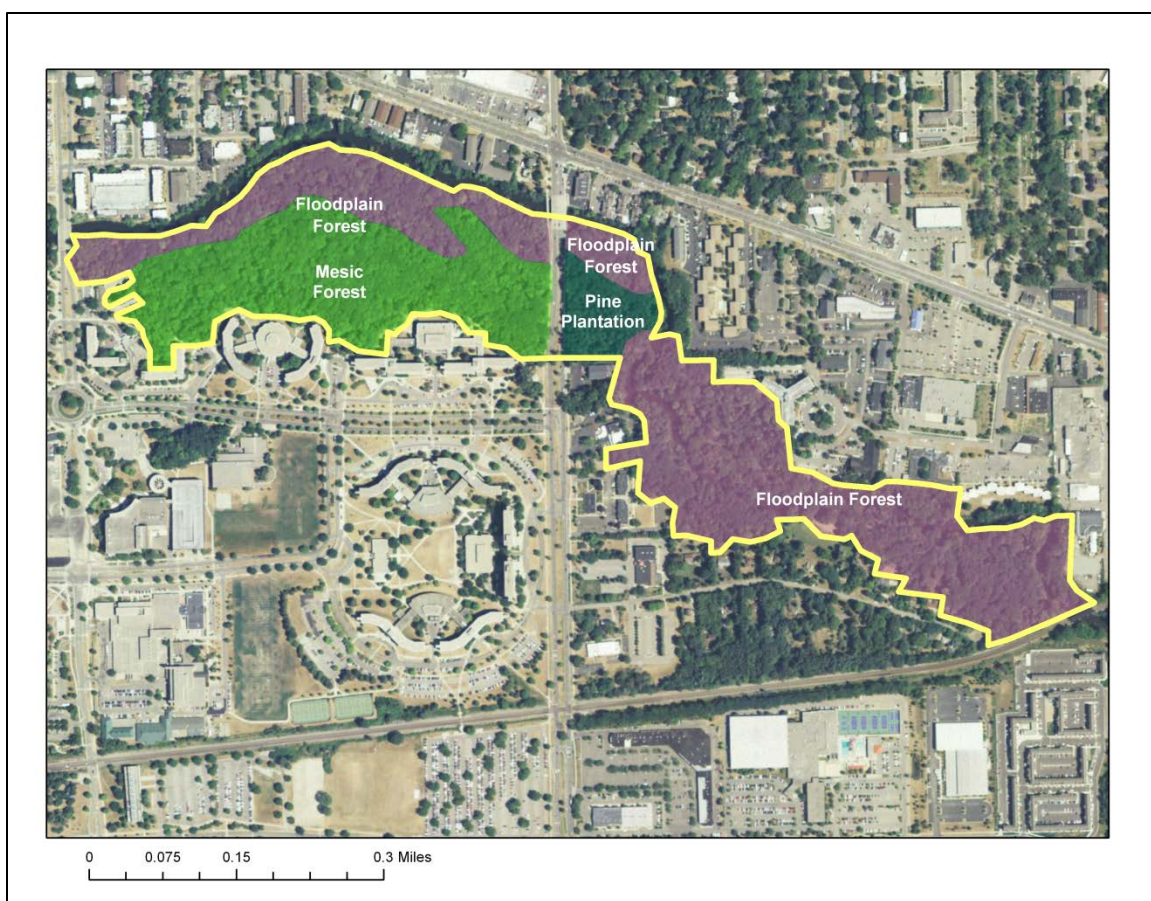


Figure 12. Site boundary and associated natural community patches.

GENERAL SITE DESCRIPTION:

Sanford Woods is located along a portion of the floodplain of the Red Cedar River. The site is bordered to the north by Grand River Avenue development and to the south by Michigan State University buildings and infrastructure.

Mesic Southern Forest

The vegetation of the site is primarily characterized by mature, locally disturbed mature southern forest (Beaman 1970a). The overstory of the mesic southern forest is strongly dominated by sugar maple (*Acer saccharum*), associated with American beech (*Fagus grandifolia*), basswood (*Tilia americana*), and red oak (*Quercus rubra*). Prior to the introduction of elm blight and emerald ash borer, American elm (*Ulmus americana*) and white ash (*Fraxinus americana*) were important canopy associates. Sugar maple saplings are common in the understory, which also supports red elderberry (*Sambucus racemosa*), choke cherry (*Prunus virginiana*), witch-hazel (*Hamamelis virginiana*), hop-hornbeam (*Ostrya virginiana*), and spicebush (*Lindera benzoin*). The diverse, dense ground layer is characterized by tree seedlings, especially sugar maple and white ash, Virginia creeper (*Parthenocissus quinquefolia*), blue cohosh (*Caulophyllum thalictroides*), Jack-in-the-pulpit (*Arisaema triphyllum*), false spikenard (*Maianthemum racemosum*), white baneberry (*Actaea pachypoda*), enchanter's-nightshade (*Circaea canadensis*), large white trillium (*Trillium grandiflorum*), bloodroot (*Sanguinaria canadensis*), bluestem goldenrod (*Solidago caesia*), and several sedges (*Carex* spp.).

Floodplain Forest

Downslope (north) towards the Red Cedar River, the mesic southern forest gradually gives way to floodplain forest in the immediate vicinity of the river. Black maple (*Acer nigrum*) is important in this area, associated with the aforementioned species, and a few individuals of bur oak (*Quercus macrocarpa*), white oak (*Q. alba*), and sycamore (*Platanus occidentalis*). Floodplain shrubs increase in importance in this zone, characterized especially by spicebush, bladdernut (*Staphylea trifolia*), and musclewood (*Carpinus caroliniana*). Common ground layer species, in addition to those listed above, include wild-ginger (*Asarum canadense*), honewort (*Cryptotaenia canadensis*), white bear sedge (*Carex albursina*), pretty sedge (*C. woodii*), green-stemmed Joe-pye-weed (*Eutrochium purpureum*), Virginia waterleaf (*Hydrophyllum virginianum*), black snakeroot (*Sanicula odorata*), and bottlebrush grass (*Elymus hystrix*).

Sanford Woodlot supports a limited first bottom, dominated by silver maple (*Acer saccharinum*), with spicebush and bladdernut in the understory. Characteristic ground layer species include lizard's-tail (*Saururus cernuus*), poison-ivy (*Toxicodendron radicans*), moneywort (*Lysimachia nummularia*), calico aster (*Symphotrichum lateriflorum*), riverbank grape (*Vitis riparia*), sensitive fern (*Onoclea sensibilis*), white grass (*Leersia virginica*), and wood nettle (*Laportea canadensis*).

The forested area east of Hagadorn Road, directly adjacent to Sanford Woodlot, is significantly disturbed by historic land use (presumably including agriculture), adjacent infrastructure, and invasive species. The upper (southern) portion of this area is known as the Beal Pinetum, and consists primarily of a supercanopy of white pine (*Pinus strobus*) established in the late 1800s, with an understory of sugar maple and black cherry (*Prunus serotina*). The shrub layer and ground layer in this area is relatively bare, and supports several weedy species, including the pernicious black swallow-wort (*Vincetoxicum nigrum*). The broad lower floodplain is also characterized by a weedy shrub and ground flora, including common privet (*Ligustrum vulgare*), Amur honeysuckle (*Lonicera maackii*), common buckthorn (*Rhamnus cathartica*), ground-ivy (*Glechoma hederacea*), moneywort, and reed canary grass (*Phalaris arundinacea*).



Figure 13. View of Floodplain Forest.



Figure 14. Bugle weed (state threatened).



Figure 15. Goldenseal (state threatened).

Rare Plants

Sanford Woodlot is known to have supported six state-listed plant species. Three of these were redocumented in 2013. Beak grass (*Diarrhena obovata*) is a state-threatened grass found primarily in relatively undisturbed floodplain forests in southern Lower Michigan. Several small colonies on mesic terraces and levees on both sides of Hagadorn Road were documented during the 3 July 2013 survey. Bugle weed (*Lycopus virginicus*) is a state-threatened member of the mint family known from fewer than a dozen sites in Michigan. This species, previously documented in the 1960s, was documented in the first bottom in Sanford Woods and the floodplain east of Hagadorn Road on 5 September 2013. A small colony of the state-threatened goldenseal (*Hydrastis canadensis*), last documented from Sanford Woodlot in 1968, was also located on this date. Three additional species are known from historic records. The state special concern green violet (*Hybanthus concolor*) is known to persist in this forest but was not redocumented in 2013. The state threatened red mulberry (*Morus rubra*) and ginseng (*Panax quinquefolius*) have also been documented from Sanford Woodlot, but were not encountered during our surveys. However, there is a possibility these species remain extant, although they were apparently always rare and local within the forest (Beaman 1970b). Please refer to Appendix A for the floristic quality assessment and a full plant species list.

ECOLOGICAL SIGNIFICANCE:

Sanford Woods supports the highest quality mesic southern forest of all sites surveyed. This patch of forest is also one of the highest quality mesic southern forests in the tri-county region. Due to the vast extent of high density development in this portion of the Tri-County region, Sanford Woodlot is also critical for mitigating negative water quality impacts from non-point source runoff that occurs in other parts of the Red Cedar River. It is also an important site for numerous wildlife species and viewing opportunities, particularly for neo-tropical migratory songbirds during spring migration. Sanford Woodlot supports a species-rich, relatively intact flora (Beaman 1970b) that makes the site attractive for biological training and research.

DISTURBANCE & THREATS:

The most significant threat facing this site is invasive species and incompatible recreational impacts. Trampling along and near trails, disposal of refuse, and construction of tepees within the forest have locally degraded the site. White-tailed deer (*Odocoileus virginianus*) browse was also noted, especially within the floodplain. Several invasive shrubs are present at Sanford Woods, including Norway maple (*Acer platanoides*), Amur honeysuckle, common privet, common buckthorn, Japanese barberry (*Berberis thunbergii*), black swallow-wort, English ivy (*Hedera helix*), dame's rocket (*Hesperis matronalis*), garlic mustard (*Alliaria petiolata*), ground-ivy, and moneywort. Invasive species are particularly prevalent along the first bottom and levee of the Red Cedar River.

STEWARDSHIP CONSIDERATIONS:

Invasive Species Control: Treatment and monitoring of invasive plant species is the primary stewardship concern. Targeted removal of invasive species, particularly woody species that have altered vegetation structure and composition, should be implemented.

Habitat Protection: The majority of the site surveyed is a Category 1 MSU natural area and is protected from development, resource extraction, and other potentially damaging human activities. However, the majority of the site east of Hagadorn is in private ownership. These owners should be contacted to explore the possibility of placing a conservation easement on their natural lands within the Red Cedar floodplain.

Controlling Deer Herbivory: The impacts of white-tailed deer should be monitored to determine if browse and other activity is negatively impacting successional processes, reducing populations of browse-sensitive plant species, and facilitating the spread of non-native invasive plant species.

Site Ecological Summary: Ferguson Park

Size: 33 acres
Location: Ingham County, Meridian Township
Ownership: Meridian Township
PCA: # 1188, score = 9 (Moderate)

LOCATION OF SITE:

Ferguson Park is located along the Red Cedar River in Meridian Township, south of Grand River Avenue and east of Okemos Road. Ferguson Park is open to the general public, and public parking is available on site. Several pathways have been created near the Red Cedar River on the south side of the river and wind through the majority of the site.

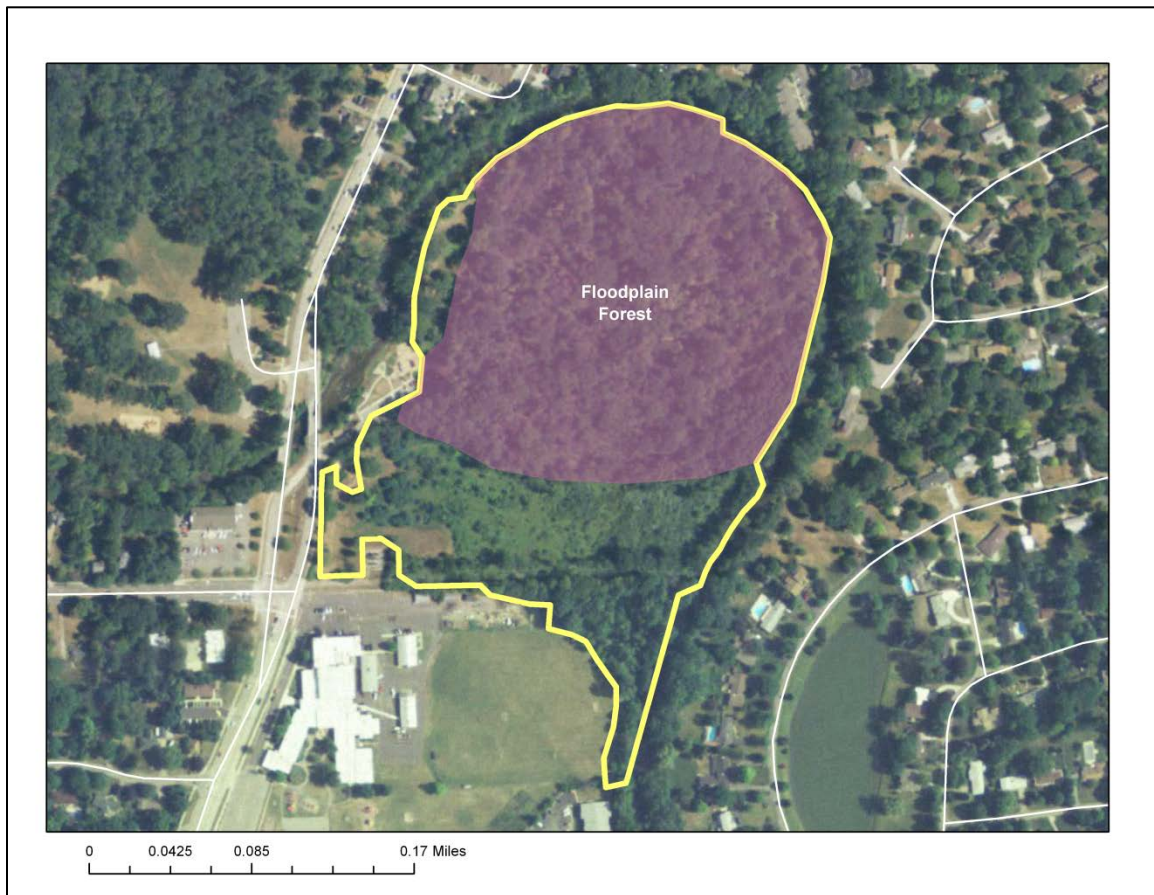


Figure 16. Site boundary with associated natural community patches.

GENERAL SITE DESCRIPTION:

Ferguson Park is located along a portion of the floodplain of the Red Cedar River. The site is bordered to the east, north, and west by the river. The south portion of the site is bordered by commercial and residential development.

Floodplain Forest

Ferguson Park proper is fully developed with a lawn and recreational facilities. The larger adjacent Sumbal Natural Area consists primarily of disturbed wet-mesic floodplain forest, with a large, central, seasonally inundated backswamp. The floodplain forest is dominated by silver maple (*Acer saccharinum*), associated with green ash (*Fraxinus pennsylvanica*; mostly dead due to emerald ash borer infestation), box-elder (*Acer negundo*), slippery elm (*Ulmus rubra*), cottonwood (*Populus deltoides*), and hackberry (*Celtis occidentalis*). The weedy shrub layer is dominated by Amur honeysuckle (*Lonicera maackii*) and common privet (*Ligustrum vulgare*), associated with several other native and non-native species, including poison-ivy (*Toxicodendron radicans*), riverbank grape (*Vitis riparia*), Morrow honeysuckle (*Lonicera morrowii*), multiflora rose (*Rosa multiflora*), common buckthorn (*Rhamnus cathartica*), and European highbush-cranberry (*Viburnum opulus*). The diverse, dense ground layer is characterized by wood nettle (*Laportea canadensis*), Gray's sedge (*Carex grayi*), Muskingum sedge (*C. muskingumensis*), hop sedge (*C. lupulina*), wild-rye (*Elymus* spp.), white avens (*Geum canadense*), fowl manna grass (*Glyceria striata*), and green dragon (*Arisaema dracontium*). The non-native invasive species moneywort (*Lysimachia nummularia*) and ground-ivy (*Glechoma hederacea*) are locally abundant. The large central backswamp area is sparsely vegetated.

The floodplain forest along and near the immediate riverbank is heavily disturbed by historic clearing and road construction, and now consists primarily of cottonwood, red oak (*Quercus rubra*), and a dense understory of Amur honeysuckle and common privet.

Rare Plants

During the 2013 surveys, populations of three state-listed plants were newly documented from Sumbal Natural Area. The state special concern Davis' sedge (*Carex davisii*) was an important ground layer species, forming dense colonies in open wet-mesic floodplain forest, including areas where emerald ash borer has killed canopy ashes. The state-threatened beak grass (*Diarrhena obovata*) was locally common in both open and closed-canopy floodplain forest, including degraded areas along the riverbank, sometimes in dense shade of Amur honeysuckle. The state-threatened bugle weed (*Lycopus virginicus*) was occasional in wet-mesic floodplain forest, particularly at the margins of the large central seasonally inundated backswamp. Please refer to Appendix B for the floristic quality assessment and a full plant species list.

ECOLOGICAL SIGNIFICANCE:

Due to the vast extent of high density development in this portion of the Tri-County region, Ferguson Park is critical for mitigating negative water quality impacts from non-point source runoff that occurs in other parts of the Red Cedar River. It is also potentially a valuable site for numerous wildlife species and viewing opportunities, particularly for neo-tropical migratory songbirds during spring migration. Although the natural area is small and surrounded by development, it retains a rich vascular flora, including populations of three state-listed species: bugle weed (state threatened), American beakgrass (state threatened), and Davis' sedge (state special concern)



Figure 17. View of Floodplain Forest.



Figure 18. Beak grass (state threatened).



Figure 19. Davis' sedge (state special concern).

DISTURBANCE & THREATS:

The site is small and surrounded by development, resulting in significant edge effects, including windthrow (exacerbated by the recent deaths of ash trees due to emerald ash borer) and the establishment and spread of invasive plant species. In addition, the riverbank was apparently cleared in the past, and remnants of an old road or two-track surround the core forested area. Unfortunately, invasive species are present and locally dominant at Ferguson Park, particularly Amur honeysuckle, Morrow honeysuckle, and common privet. Other invasive species noted during surveys include European highbush-cranberry, multiflora rose, Japanese barberry (*Berberis thunbergii*), common buckthorn, reed canary grass (*Phalaris arundinacea*), moneywort, and ground-ivy.

STEWARDSHIP CONSIDERATIONS:

Invasive Species Control: The primary stewardship need is the treatment and monitoring of invasive plant species, particularly Amur honeysuckle and common privet, which are most prevalent along and directly adjacent to the river.

Habitat Protection: The site surveyed is a Meridian Township park and natural area and is protected from development and resource extraction.

Controlling Deer Population: The impacts of white-tailed deer should be monitored to determine if browse and other activity is negatively impacting successional processes, reducing populations of browse-sensitive plant species, and facilitating the spread of non-native invasive plant species.

Site Ecological Summary: Van Atta Road Natural Area

Size: 356 acres
Location: Ingham County, Meridian Township
Ownership: Meridian Township/some private
PCA: #1177, score = 12 (High); # 1182, score = 17 (Very high)

LOCATION OF SITE:

Van Atta Road Natural Area is located along the Red Cedar River in Meridian Township, south of Grand River Avenue. Van Atta Road runs north and south and bisects the site into the east and west PCAs. Access points with public parking include the Harris Nature Center east of Van Atta Road, Legg Park west of Van Atta Road, and Eastgate Park west of Meridian Road. The Van Atta Road Natural Area is found on both sides of Van Atta Rd. and consists of four different areas: Red Cedar Natural Area (Riverdowns N.A.) and Legg Park west of Van Atta Road, and Harris Nature Center and Eastgate Park east of Van Atta Road. All four areas are open to the general public. A pathway that runs parallel to the Red Cedar River is located on the south side of the river and winds through the majority of the site.

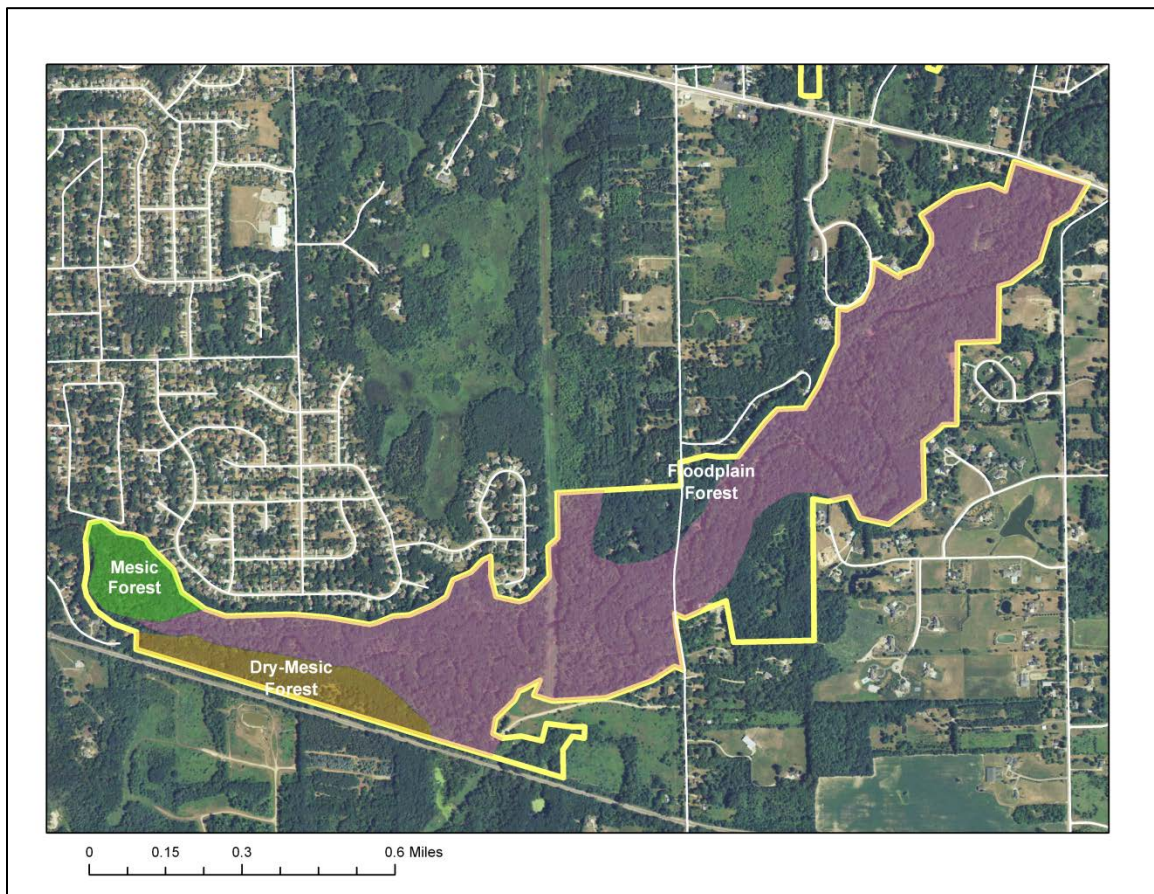


Figure 20. Site boundary with associated natural community patches.

GENERAL SITE DESCRIPTION:

The Van Atta Road Natural Area consists mostly of forested floodplain along the Red Cedar River, and includes adjacent uplands in several areas. The site is bordered to the north by medium density residential development and to the south by a railroad and additional medium density residential development.

Vegetation can be classified into three major natural community types: 1) floodplain forest; 2) mesic southern forest; and 3) dry mesic southern forest.

Floodplain Forest

The Van Atta Road Natural Area supports a diversity of fluvial landforms that support a variety of vegetative associations. Frequently (seasonally) flooded first bottoms, backswamps, and meander-scar swamps are dominated by silver maple (*Acer saccharinum*), associated with emerald ash borer-killed green ash (*Fraxinus pennsylvanica*), cottonwood (*Populus deltoides*), sycamore (*Platanus occidentalis*), black willow (*Salix nigra*), and box-elder (*Acer negundo*). These frequently inundated zones support a sparse understory and shrub cover. The ground layer ranges from sparse to dense, and supports species adapted to frequent floods such as poison-ivy (*Toxicodendron radicans*), lizard's-tail (*Saururus cernuus*), water dock (*Rumex verticillatus*), wood nettle (*Laportea canadensis*), green dragon (*Arisaema dracontium*), fringed loosestrife (*Lysimachia ciliata*), wild-rye (*Elymus* spp.), white grass (*Leersia virginica*), Gray's sedge (*Carex grayi*), hop sedge (*C. lupulina*), Muskingum sedge (*C. muskingumensis*), and wood gray sedge (*C. grisea*). Areas with persistent standing water support aquatic species such as southern water-plantain (*Alisma subcordatum*) and whorled loosestrife (*Decodon verticillatus*). Meander-scar swamps associated with abandoned river channels have seepage zones at their interface with terrace slopes, and support groundwater-dependent species such as skunk-cabbage (*Symplocarpus foetidus*) and lake sedge (*Carex lacustris*). Non-native invasive species such as moneywort (*Lysimachia nummularia*) and dame's-rocket (*Hesperis matronalis*) are locally abundant in first bottoms and backswamps.

Perhaps the most diverse forest assemblages occur in second bottoms that are less frequently or deeply inundated than the first bottoms and backswamps. These areas support a diverse array of canopy species, and are often dominated by black maple (*Acer nigrum*), associated with the aforementioned trees of the first bottoms in addition to basswood (*Tilia americana*), hackberry (*Celtis occidentalis*), black walnut (*Juglans nigra*), bur oak (*Quercus macrocarpa*), swamp white oak (*Q. bicolor*), red oak (*Q. rubra*), and beech (*Fagus grandifolia*). American elm (*Ulmus americana*) and slippery elm (*U. rubra*) are commonly present in the understory. The shrub layer, which is denser and more diverse than in the first bottoms, supports bladdernut (*Staphylea trifolia*), spicebush (*Lindera benzoin*), musclewood (*Carpinus caroliniana*), choke cherry (*Prunus virginiana*), and a variety of non-native, invasive species, including common privet (*Ligustrum vulgare*), Amur honeysuckle (*Lonicera maackii*), common buckthorn (*Rhamnus cathartica*), and multiflora rose (*Rosa multiflora*). Vines are also common, represented by riverbank grape (*Vitis riparia*), poison-ivy, moonseed (*Menispermum canadense*), and Virginia creeper (*Parthenocissus quinquefolia*).

The herbaceous layer of the second bottoms is generally dense and diverse. Characteristic species including those listed above for the first bottom include wild-ginger (*Asarum canadense*), white avens (*Geum canadense*), jumpseed (*Persicaria virginica*), ostrich fern (*Matteucia struthiopteris*), purple meadow-rue (*Thalictrum dasycarpum*), large white trillium (*Trillium grandiflorum*), violets (*Viola* spp.), and Virginia waterleaf (*Hydrophyllum virginianum*).

Mesic Southern Forest and Dry-mesic Southern Forest

Abandoned terraces and terrace slopes that are no longer subject to fluvial erosion-and-deposition cycles generally support mesic southern forest dominated by sugar maple (*Acer saccharum*), beech, red oak, basswood, and black cherry (*Prunus serotina*). The understory supports beech and maple saplings, in addition to ironwood (*Ostrya virginiana*) and, especially on sandier soils, witch-hazel (*Hamamelis virginiana*). Common low shrubs include wild gooseberry (*Ribes cynosbati*) and running strawberry-bush (*Euonymus obovata*). The ground layer supports many of the species found on second bottoms, and also species more typical of uplands, such as false spikenard (*Maianthemum racemosum*), early meadow-rue (*Thalictrum dioicum*), downy Solomon seal (*Polygonatum pubescens*), and wild geranium (*Geranium maculatum*). Locally, such as at the western margin of Legg Park, upland risers and terraces approach dry-mesic southern forest, with greater importance of oaks and species of sandy soils, such as wild columbine (*Aquilegia canadensis*) and Canada mayflower (*Maianthemum canadense*).

Old Field

Portions of the Van Atta Road Natural Area support old fields primarily dominated by non-native species such as Kentucky bluegrass (*Poa pratensis*), quack grass (*Elymus repens*), timothy (*Phleum pratense*), smooth brome (*Bromus inermis*), Queen-Anne's-lace (*Daucus carota*), clovers (*Trifolium* spp.), black medick (*Medicago lupulina*), hoary alyssum (*Berteroa incana*), ox-eye daisy (*Leucanthemum vulgare*), and hawkweeds (*Hieracium* spp.). However, these open fields also support a diversity of native species, including tall goldenrod (*Solidago altissima*), ground-nut (*Apios americana*), grass-leaved goldenrod (*Euthamia graminifolia*), common milkweed (*Asclepias syriaca*), wild bergamot (*Monarda fistulosa*), and yellow avens (*Geum aleppicum*).

Rare Species

Of special note are several populations of three state-listed vascular plant species. Both the state-threatened beak grass (*Diarrhena obovata*) and state special concern Davis' sedge (*Carex davisii*) occur throughout the floodplain and are locally abundant or even co-dominant, the former primarily on shaded second bottoms and the latter in open, wet-mesic bottoms slightly elevated from the wettest areas. The Van Atta Road Natural Area populations are among the largest documented in the state. A third state-listed plant species, bugle weed (*Lycopus virginicus*), also occurs in scattered, sometimes large populations throughout the floodplain. Bugle weed is a state-threatened member of the mint family known from fewer than a dozen sites in Michigan. This species favors the margins of first bottoms and backswamps. The population(s) at Van Atta Road Natural Area is the most extensive one currently documented in the state. Please refer to Appendix C for a floristic quality assessment and a full plant species list.



Figure 21. View of Floodplain Forest.



Figure 22. Bugle weed (state threatened).



Figure 23. Beak grass (state threatened).

ECOLOGICAL SIGNIFICANCE:

Due to the vast extent of high density development in this portion of the Tri-County region, Van Atta Road Natural Area is critical for mitigating negative water quality impacts from non-point source runoff that occurs in other parts of the Red Cedar River. It is also an important site for numerous wildlife species and viewing opportunities, particularly for neo-tropical migratory songbirds during spring migration. Van Atta Road Natural Area supports one of the most contiguous and least-disturbed stretches of floodplain in the metropolitan Lansing area. The diversity of fluvial landforms provides habitat for a diverse array of vascular plants, including three state-listed species. This site was identified as one of 10 hubs as part of the Tri-County green infrastructure vision and is the most significant hub that falls within the half mile buffer of Grand River Avenue.

DISTURBANCE & THREATS:

The Van Atta Road Natural Area is subject to disturbances typical of natural areas in urban settings. The site is bisected by one major two-lane road (Van Atta Road) and a major powerline cut west of Van Atta Road. Railroad tracks that cross part of the floodplain south of Legg Park locally disturb hydrology. The immediate surrounding landscape is mostly developed with residential subdivisions. Natural cover in the western half of the site is restricted to a relatively narrow corridor along the Red Cedar River, whereas the eastern half of the area supports more interior forest due to the presence of broader first bottoms and backswamps. The impacts of this landscape fragmentation and development include locally altered hydrology, the establishment and spread of invasive plant species, and the concentration of deer in the natural areas, causing erosion and high levels of browse that appear to have reduced populations of several sensitive species. Most of the natural areas are also crisscrossed with trails; these trails facilitate the spread of invasive species and result in local areas of denuded vegetation when flooding covers the compacted surfaces and results in visitors trampling adjacent vegetated areas.

A diversity of non-native, invasive species has become established at Van Atta Road Natural Area. Invasive shrubs are widespread and locally common to dominant, primarily in the immediate vicinity of the Red Cedar River. The most widespread and abundant invasive shrubs are Amur honeysuckle, common privet, multiflora rose, and common buckthorn. Other invasive shrubs noted include European highbush-cranberry (*Viburnum opulus*), Japanese barberry (*Berberis thunbergii*), Morrow honeysuckle (*Lonicera morrowii*), and autumn-olive (*Elaeagnus umbellata*). Invasive herbaceous species are also common and locally abundant or dominant. Among these, moneywort and dame's-rocket are especially pernicious. Garlic mustard (*Alliaria petiolata*) is locally common. Gaps and powerline cuts support locally dense populations of reed canary grass (*Phalaris arundinacea*). Several other non-native herbaceous species of lesser concern are also present.

STEWARDSHIP CONSIDERATIONS:

Invasive Species Control: The primary stewardship need appears to be the control and management of invasive plant species. Efforts should primarily focus on controllable threats such as invasive shrubs (Amur honeysuckle, common privet, multiflora rose, and honeysuckle) and easy-to-treat herbaceous species such as garlic mustard and dame's-rocket. Moneywort is a well-established "carpet" species and likely cannot be eradicated without significant damage to the native flora.

Habitat Protection: The majority of the site surveyed is a Meridian Township natural area and park and is protected from development and resource extraction. However, small portions of the site are in private ownership primarily small parcels. Landowners within and adjacent to the site boundary should be contacted about the significance of the site and what they can do to help ensure the long-term health of this unique natural area along the Red Cedar River.

Controlling Deer Population: Managed hunts and monitoring of deer populations should continue in the Van Atta Road Natural Area. In addition to reducing or maintaining deer populations at ecologically sustainable levels, efforts should be undertaken to monitor the impacts of deer management on park vegetation and soil condition.

Site Ecological Summary: Davis/Foster Preserve

Size: 45 acres
Location: Ingham County, Meridian Township
Ownership: Public – Meridian Township; some private
PCA: PCA # 1252; Score = 7, Moderate

LOCATION OF SITE:

The Davis/Foster Preserve occurs both east and west of Van Atta Road, just south of Tihart Road, in Meridian Township. Only the portion of the site west of the road was surveyed for this project.

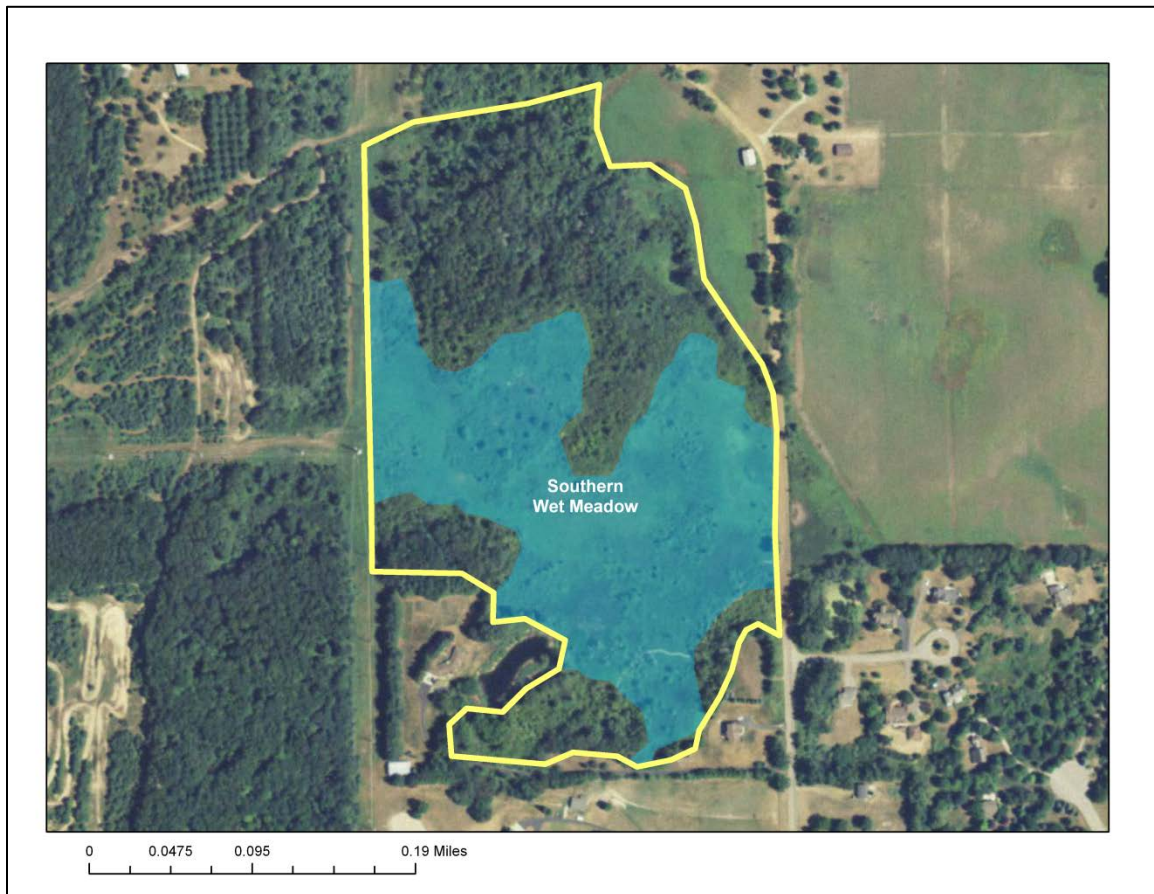


Figure 24. Site boundary and associated natural habitat patches.

GENERAL SITE DESCRIPTION:

The west tract of the Davis/Foster Preserve is isolated by Van Atta Rd. to the east, residential development and agriculture to the south, a power line corridor to the east, and more residential development to the north. The site consists of a shallow ice block depression that is now characterized by two wetland communities, southern wet meadow and southern shrub-carr. Both of these community types are somewhat common in southern Michigan, but are relatively rare in this region of the state, particularly in the Lansing area.

Southern Wet Meadow

The southern wet meadow is generally dominated by tussock sedge (*Carex stricta*), associated with woolly sedge (*C. pellita*), blue-joint (*Calamagrostis canadensis*), tall goldenrod (*Solidago altissima*), marsh fern (*Thelypteris palustris*), sensitive fern (*Onoclea sensibilis*), joe-pye-weed (*Eutrochium maculatum*), smooth swamp aster (*Symphotrichum firmum*), grass-leaved goldenrod (*Euthamia graminifolia*), flat-topped white aster (*Doellingeria umbellata*), fringed brome (*Bromus ciliatus*), and common cat-tail (*Typha latifolia*). Reed canary grass (*Phalaris arundinacea*) is locally common near Van Atta Road. Among the shrubs, slender willow (*Salix petiolaris*), nannyberry (*Viburnum lentago*), red-osier (*Cornus sericea*), and the invasive glossy buckthorn (*Frangula alnus*) are common. Scattered trees are present throughout the wetland, mostly quaking aspen (*Populus tremuloides*) and American elm (*Ulmus americana*). A total of x plant species were documented from a single site visit in late June.

Created Prairie

The east tract of the Davis/Foster Preserve is an old agricultural field planted to native prairie grasses and forbs. It was not surveyed due to the lack of remnant habitat, but it is notable for providing breeding habitat for several state-listed grassland birds, including the state endangered Henslow's sparrow (*Ammodramus henslowii*), state special concern grasshopper sparrow (*A. savannarum*), and state special concern dickcissel (*Spiza americana*).

Rare Species

No rare plant species were noted at the Davis/Foster Preserve. Refer to Appendix D for the floristic quality assessment and a full plant species list.



Figure 25. Southern wet meadow at Davis/Foster Preserve.

ECOLOGICAL SIGNIFICANCE:

This site protects a relatively high quality southern wet meadow. Despite the disturbances to the site and presence of invasive species, the majority of the site is dominated by a native sedge matrix and supports several relatively conservative native plant species. Many of the other depressional wetlands in the area are more significantly degraded by historical land use and invasive plant species, often supporting monodominant stands of reed canary grass. The site also supports a population of the state special concern Blanding's turtle (*Emydoidea blandingii*) and presumably provides important habitat for other herptiles and marsh birds. Future animal surveys are definitely warranted to determine the presence of reptile, amphibian and bird species.

DISTURBANCE & THREATS:

The site has been impacted by attempts at drainage, roads (Van Atta Road passes through the wetland), utility construction and maintenance (powerline ROW at the west margin of the wetland), residential development and pond construction at the southwestern margin of the site, and invasive plant species. The site was likely historically grazed and possibly hayed, although the dominance by native species suggests it may have escaped direct seeding of forage grasses (e.g., reed canary grass). Reed canary grass and glossy buckthorn are the primary problems at this site. Reed canary grass is concentrated near Van Atta Road, and becomes much less prevalent away from the road in the core area of the wetland. Glossy buckthorn is common and locally abundant, especially at the margins of the central area of the wetland, where it is one of the dominant species of the southern shrub-carr community.

STEWARDSHIP CONSIDERATIONS:

Invasive Species Control: The primary stewardship need appears to be the control and management of invasive plant species, especially reed canary grass and glossy buckthorn. Given the isolated patches of these two species, successful eradication has a high probability.

Habitat Protection: The area is protected within the Meridian Township Davis/Foster Preserve. Efforts should be made to minimize any illegal encroachment onto the preserve from neighboring properties, and to encourage (or maintain) a natural buffer around the wetland complex.

Controlling Deer Population: Managed hunts and monitoring of deer populations should be considered throughout the area. In addition to reducing or maintaining deer populations at ecologically sustainable levels, efforts should be undertaken to monitor the impacts of deer management on vegetation and soil condition. The impacts of deer browse in the open wetlands at this site are less clear than browse impacts in the forested communities that were surveyed during this study.

Site Ecological Summary: Ted Black Woods

Size: 187 acres
Location: Ingham County, Meridian Township
Ownership: Public – Meridian Township; some private inholdings
PCA: #1215, score = 8 (Moderate)

LOCATION OF SITE:

Ted Black Woods Park is north of Grand River Avenue, east of Van Atta Road near Okemos. There are two parking areas, one north of Grand River Ave. at the southern border of the park, and one east of Van Atta Road at the northwestern border.

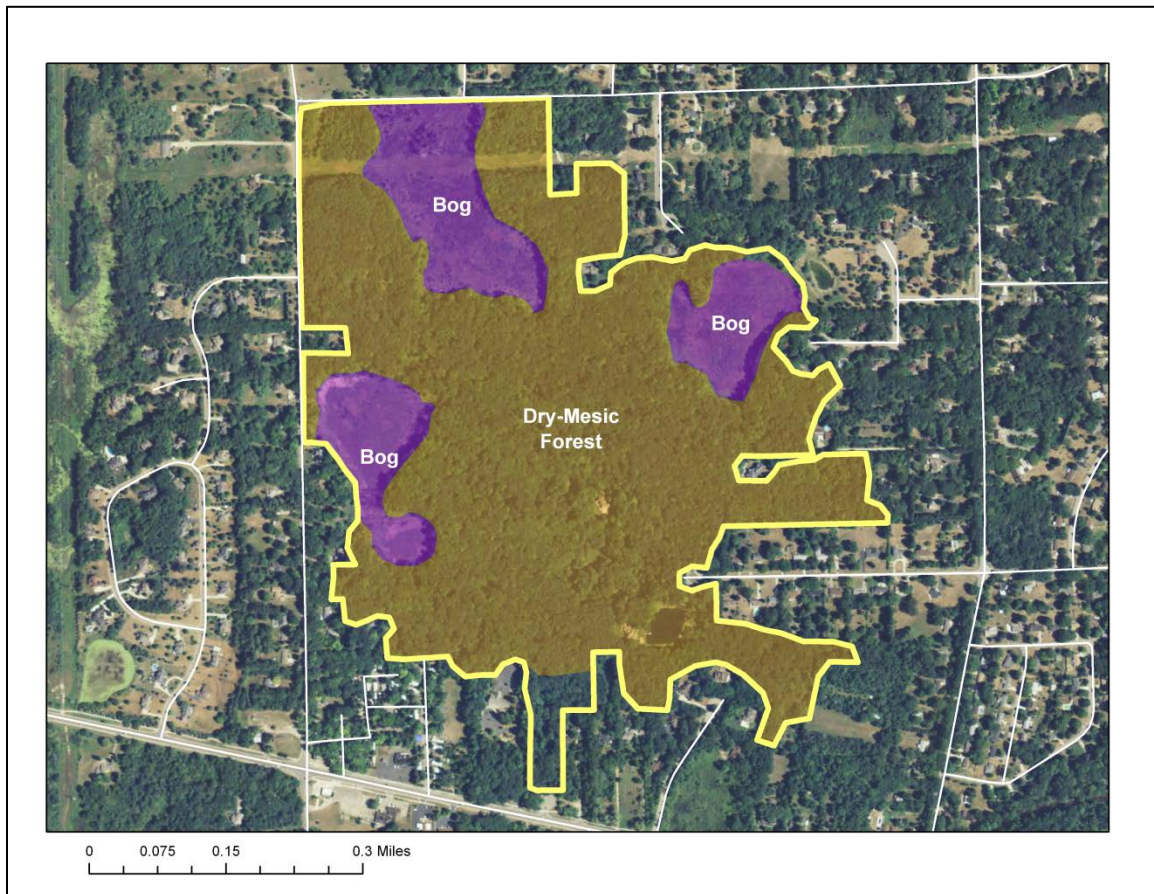


Figure 26. Ted Black Woods Park site boundary and natural community patches.

GENERAL SITE DESCRIPTION:

Ted Black Woods Park and the surrounding natural landscape is one of the largest natural areas within the Grand River Avenue Corridor. The primary natural community at Ted Black Woods Park is a block of dry-mesic southern forest located on the upland portion of an ice contact formation in the center of the park. Small kettle wetlands, primarily adjacent to this block of upland forest, support emergent marsh, southern wet meadow and a bog (especially northeast of the park on private land). The extreme southern portion of the park (at the entrance) is heavily

disturbed and supports an interesting assemblage of cultivated ornamentals, including some that have escaped locally.

Dry-mesic Southern Forest

The primary natural community at Ted Black Woods Park is dry-mesic southern forest, characterized by red, white, and black oaks (*Quercus rubra*, *Q. alba*, and *Q. velutina*), shagbark hickory (*Carya ovata*), black cherry (*Prunus serotina*), large-toothed aspen (*Populus grandidentata*), sassafras (*Sassafras albidum*), and sugar maple (*Acer saccharum*). The abundance of red maple (*Acer rubrum*) in the understory indicates a trend towards plants that prefer more mesic conditions. Common small trees and shrubs in the interior forest include witch-hazel (*Hamamelis virginiana*), wild gooseberry (*Ribes cynosbati*), Amur honeysuckle (*Lonicera maackii*), multiflora rose (*Rosa multiflora*), and Japanese barberry (*Berberis thunbergii*). Vines such as poison-ivy (*Toxicodendron radicans*), Virginia creeper (*Parthenocissus quinquefolia*), and riverbank grape (*Vitis riparia*) are common. Characteristic herbaceous species include enchanter's-nightshade (*Circaea canadensis*), jumpseed (*Persicaria virginiana*), wood nettle (*Laportea canadensis*), white avens (*Geum canadense*), mayapple (*Podophyllum peltatum*), white lettuce (*Prenanthes alba*), clustered-leaved tick-trefoil (*Hylodesmum glutinosum*), early meadow-rue (*Thalictrum dioicum*), cleavers (*Galium aparine*), and wild geranium (*Geranium maculatum*).

The scruffy, weedy southern portion of Ted Black Woods Park was previously planted to a variety of non-native trees (e.g., Norway spruce [*Picea abies*], and hemlock [*Tsuga canadensis*; not native to this area]) and shrubs, including an unusual assortment of ornamentals, some of which have escaped sparingly in this area. Among the escapees are a few species not commonly recorded (though increasing) in Michigan, such as avens (*Geum urbanum*) and jetbead (*Rhodotypos scandens*). Spreading clones of five-leaved aralia (*Eleutherococcus sieboldianus*), butterfly-dock (*Petasites hybridus*), and angelica tree (*Aralia elata*) are also present at the site.

Bog

Several kettle wetlands occur within and near Ted Black Woods Park. The large kettle wetland in the western part of the park is a degraded shallow bog now supporting a dense population of reed canary grass (*Phalaris arundinacea*), forming a monoculture in the southern part of the depression and a dominant band around the center of the northern part of the depression. Sphagnum mosses are still present in the center of the largest part of this depression, and native species such as blue-joint (*Calamagrostis canadensis*) and wool-grass (*Scirpus cyperinus*) are common. The kettle depressions north and northeast of the park support better developed bog communities ringed by Michigan holly (*Ilex verticillata*), highbush blueberry (*Vaccinium corymbosum*), and, locally, glossy buckthorn (*Frangula alnus*). The largest bog northeast of the site supports a leatherleaf (*Chamaedaphne calyculata*) – tamarack (*Larix laricina*) community on a sphagnum mat, but was not surveyed due to its private ownership. Although isolated by a large moat, the bog appears to be relatively undisturbed and may contain a high number of undocumented plant species including some rarities.



Figure 27. Dry-mesic southern forest with somewhat intact ground flora.

Rare Species

No rare plant species were noted at Ted Black Woods Park. Please refer to Appendix E for the floristic quality assessment and a full plant species list.

ECOLOGICAL SIGNIFICANCE:

Ted Black Woods Park provides a relatively large, mostly unfragmented block of upland forest in a primarily suburban landscape with few similar features away from the immediate vicinity of the Red Cedar River floodplain. The site is likely utilized by a variety of wildlife species and by neotropical migratory songbirds for nesting as well as during spring and fall migration. Although invasive species are widespread and common, the site continues to support a significant assemblage of native species, including 141 taxa identified during these surveys. Among these are relatively conservative species such as leatherwood (*Dirca palustris*), richweed (*Collinsonia canadensis*), and four-leaved loosestrife (*Lysimachia quadrifolia*), in addition to species mostly restricted to bogs and other high quality wetlands. The isolated bog located on private land to the northeast of the Park appears to be high quality and is certainly a unique community type and feature in the Tri-County region. Ted Black Woods Park is perhaps most important as a significant accessible green space in a densely developed commercial and residential corridor.



Figure 28. Isolated bog in northeast portion of site that was inaccessible during the surveys.

DISTURBANCE & THREATS:

As mentioned above, this site has been impacted by a variety of human disturbances, including logging, grazing, and the introduction of emerald ash borer, invasive plants, and conditions favorable for ecologically unsustainable high deer densities. The planting of a variety of non-native ornamentals in the southern portion of the site has allowed the spread of some of these species into the forest. A significant percentage of the vascular plants at this site (19%, or 34 taxa) are not native to North America, and several species native to Michigan (e.g., hemlock) were introduced to the park. The southern portion of the park is infested with non-native species, including several ornamental species that have escaped such as jetbead. Invasive species more typical of the region are also prevalent at this site. Among these are common privet (*Ligustrum vulgare*), Amur honeysuckle, multiflora rose, glossy buckthorn, reed canary grass, and garlic mustard (*Alliaria petiolata*). Historical land use and the surrounding suburban landscape foster conditions favorable to the establishment and expansion of invasive plants at this site. The combination of high deer densities and long-term fire suppression is particularly damaging to this remnant of dry-mesic southern forest, resulting in the reduction of light-dependent and fire-tolerant ground layer species, a lack of woody regeneration, and the continuing trend towards more mesic plants.

STEWARDSHIP CONSIDERATIONS:

Invasive Species Control: The primary stewardship need appears to be the control and management of invasive plant species, especially Amur honeysuckle, common privet, and garlic mustard that are found scattered throughout the forest, and multiflora rose and glossy buckthorn found in the isolated wetlands. The wetland in the western portion of the site, near Van Atta Road, is infested by the highly invasive reed canary grass and would likely be too costly and time-consuming to eradicate.

Habitat Protection: The area is largely protected within the Meridian Township Ted Black Woods Park. A relatively high quality bog northeast of the park is privately owned and not currently protected, and the large bog on the northside of the site is also in private ownership. These landowners should be contacted to explore interest in the long-term protection of these unique natural systems.

Controlling Deer Population: Managed hunts and monitoring of deer populations should be implemented throughout the area. In addition to reducing or maintaining deer populations at ecologically sustainable levels, efforts should be undertaken to monitor the impacts of deer management on vegetation and soil condition within the dry-mesic forest stand. The impacts of deer browse in the open wetlands at this site are less clear.

Prescribed Fire: Although surrounding development may make the application of prescribed fire intractable, the repeated application of fire, in combination with mechanical thinning of woody vegetation, would likely improve the condition of the dry-mesic southern forest and promote the recovery of the ground layer, which still remains species-rich in a few scattered places.

Site Ecological Summary: Williamston East

Size: 173 acres
Location: Ingham County, city of Williamston and Williamston, Leroy and Locke Townships
Ownership: Primarily Private; small portion in Public ownership (MNA preserve)
PCA: #1123, score = 13 (High)

LOCATION OF SITE:

The Williamston East site is in suburban Williamston, extending along the Red Cedar River E from Williamston to approximately Douglas Street (S of the river). The entirety of this site is in private ownership, although a small parcel is owned by The Michigan Nature Association (MNA) and known as the Red Cedar River Plant Preserve.

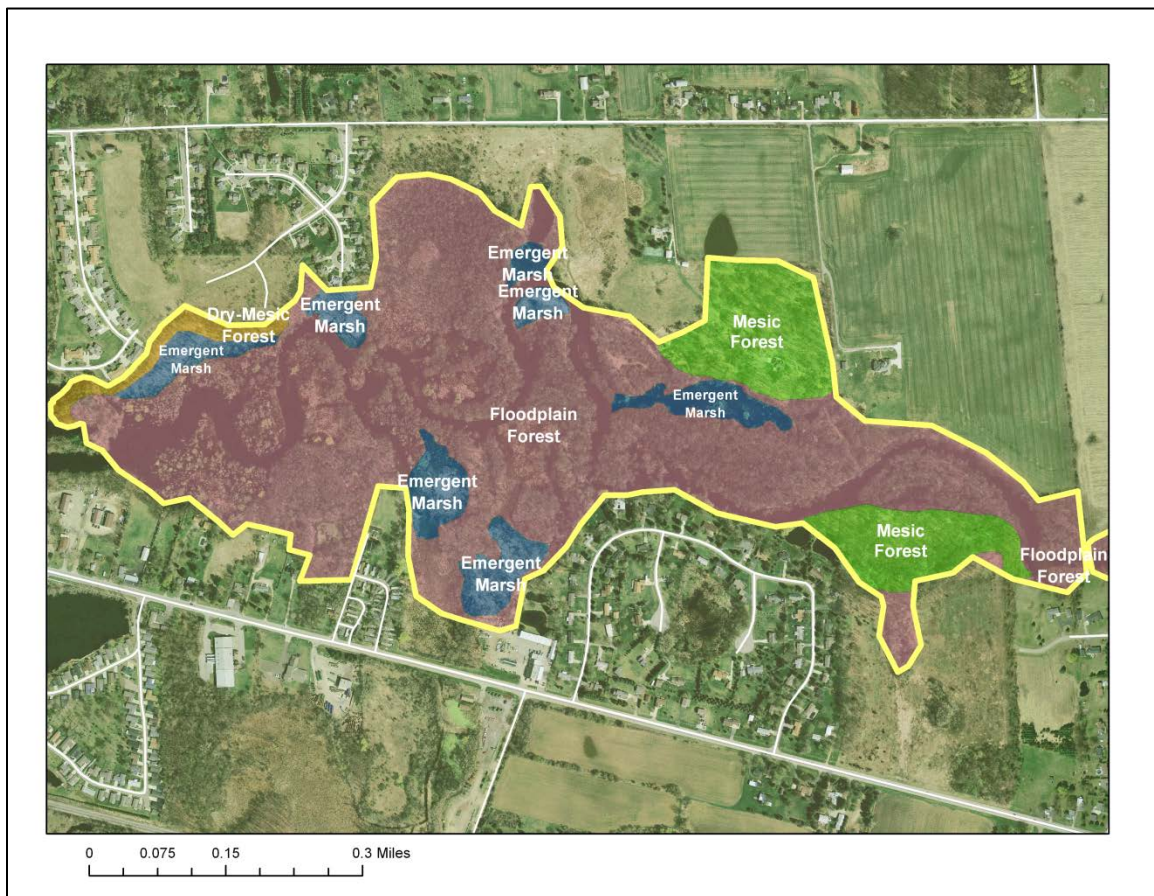


Figure 29. Site boundary and associated natural community patches.

GENERAL SITE DESCRIPTION:

This area supports dry-mesic and mesic southern forest on uplands and floodplain forest along and adjacent to the Red Cedar River floodplain. The surrounding landscape is primarily suburban in the immediate vicinity of the river and Williamston, with agriculture and rural residential development in the broader area.

Mesic Southern Forest

There are two patches of mesic southern forest at this site totaling 23 acres. The most significant area of mesic southern forest at this site occurs on a terrace above the floodplain northeast of Skyway Drive. This selectively cut woodlot supports large, mature beech (*Fagus grandifolia*) and mostly smaller diameter sugar maple (*Acer saccharum*), with some larger individuals immediately adjacent to the floodplain. Black cherry (*Prunus serotina*), red oak (*Quercus rubra*), and swamp white oak (*Q. bicolor*) are also common in this area. Small diameter sugar maple dominates the understory. The shrub and ground layers are depauperate and species-poor, perhaps the result of historic grazing, and exacerbated by high levels of deer browse. Sugar maple and white ash (*Fraxinus americana*) seedlings form a carpet over much of this area. Ground layer associates included bluestem goldenrod (*Solidago caesia*) and wild geranium (*Geranium maculatum*).

Dry-mesic Southern Forest

The only area of dry-mesic southern forest surveyed at this site is on a narrow, steep south-facing ridge overlooking the floodplain at the MNA Red Cedar River Plant Preserve 4 acres in size. Here, multi-trunked, large white oak (*Quercus alba*) and red oak are associated with basswood (*Tilia americana*), black cherry, and white ash. Witch-hazel (*Hamamelis virginiana*) is locally common in the understory. Common ground layer species include calico aster (*Symphotrichum lateriflorum*), wild geranium, Virginia creeper (*Parthenocissus quinquefolia*), and jack-in-the-pulpit (*Arisaema triphyllum*).

Floodplain Forest

A significant portion of the river floodplain at this site was historically impounded by a dam in the city of Williamston. As a result, portions of it now support open marsh dominated by invasive native and non-native plants: cat-tails (*Typha angustifolia* and *T. latifolia*) and reed canary grass (*Phalaris arundinacea*). The eastern portion of the area however has escaped most of the impacts of the historic impoundment and supports floodplain forest more typical of the rest of the Red Cedar River corridor, dominated by silver maple (*Acer saccharinum*) and, until recently, green ash (*Fraxinus pennsylvanica*) which has been killed off by emerald ash borer. Low, wet meander scars support buttonbush (*Cephalanthus occidentalis*), water dock (*Rumex verticillatus*), moneywort (*Lysimachia nummularia*), Gray's sedge (*Carex grayi*), fringed sedge (*C. crinita*), Muskingum sedge (*C. muskingumensis*), clearweed (*Pilea pumila*), white grass (*Leersia virginica*), sensitive fern (*Onoclea sensibilis*), fringed loosestrife (*Lysimachia ciliata*), and mad-dog skullcap (*Scutellaria lateriflora*). Slightly elevated terraces between the meander scars support a dense tangle of vegetation, with multiflora rose (*Rosa multiflora*) locally dominant, associated with Morrow honeysuckle (*Lonicera morrowii*) and blackberries (*Rubus* spp.). Characteristic ground layer species include white avens (*Geum canadense*), jumpseed (*Persicaria virginiana*), enchanter's-nightshade (*Circaea canadensis*), wood nettle (*Laportea canadensis*), wood-sage (*Teucrium canadense*), Virginia wild-rye (*Elymus virginicus*), and ostrich fern (*Matteuccia struthiopteris*).

Significant areas of groundwater-fed open and forested wetlands occur at the base of the uplands in the western portion of the site, including in and near the MNA Red Cedar River Plant Preserve. These areas support yellow birch (*Betula alleghaniensis*), musclewood (*Carpinus caroliniana*), tag alder (*Alnus incana*), and spicebush (*Lindera benzoin*). The ground layer on the saturated muck soils is dominated by skunk-cabbage (*Symplocarpus foetidus*) at the base of the uplands and by sedges, primarily tussock sedge (*Carex stricta*) and lake sedge (*C. lacustris*) downslope. Reed canary grass has expanded into these areas from the river bottoms and is locally common. Other common ground layer species include Virginia creeper, spotted touch-me-not (*Impatiens capensis*), groundnut (*Apios americana*), marsh fern (*Thelypteris palustris*), rough-leaved

goldenrod (*Solidago patula*), fowl manna grass (*Glyceria striata*), joe-pye-weed (*Eutrochium maculatum*), and rough bedstraw (*Galium asprellum*).



Figure 30. Mesic southern forest with scattered mature beech (*Fagus grandifolia*) and an extremely bare ground layer.



Figure 31. Broad open areas of emergent marsh and wet meadow occur in the MNA Red Cedar River Plant Preserve.



Figure 32. Low, open floodplain forest dominated by silver maple (*Acer saccharinum*).

Rare Species

One state-listed vascular plant species, bugle weed (*Lycopus virginicus*), was documented from the wet, mucky floodplain forest at this site. The colonies here are part of a larger population that extends east along the Red Cedar River from the vicinity of Williamston for a total of 3.3 river miles. Please refer to Appendix F for the floristic quality assessment and full plant species list.

ECOLOGICAL SIGNIFICANCE:

The primary importance of this area is as a relatively large, relatively unfragmented block of forest in an otherwise heavily agricultural landscape. The site is likely utilized by a variety of wildlife species and by neo-tropical migratory songbirds for nesting as well as a stopover site during spring and fall migration. Although the site has been impacted by logging, grazing, emerald ash borer, invasive plants, high levels of deer browse, and an altered flood regime, the majority (88%) of the 199 vascular plant taxa identified during our surveys are native to the area, so the site provides an important refugium for these native plant species. In addition, a portion of one of the largest documented populations in Michigan of the state-threatened bugle weed occurs at this site.

DISTURBANCE & THREATS:

As mentioned above, this site has been impacted by a variety of human disturbances, including logging, grazing, altered flood regimes (due to the Williamston dam), the introduction of emerald ash borer and invasive plants, and conditions favorable for ecologically unsustainable high deer densities. Unfortunately, a diversity of non-native, invasive species have become established at the Williamston East site. Much of the river floodplain was formerly impounded, and with the water draw down now supports dense stands of two highly invasive species: reed canary grass and narrow-leaf cat-tail. Multiflora rose and Morrow honeysuckle are common and locally pernicious. Moneywort (*Lysimachia nummularia*) forms dense patches over much of the floodplain forest. The magnitude of the eventual impacts of emerald ash borer is not yet known, but continued die-off of canopy and subcanopy ashes is creating large areas of monodominant silver maple-dominated forest and permitting light-dependent invasive species such as reed canary grass to spread and increase in areas where green ash was once dominant.

STEWARDSHIP CONSIDERATIONS:

Invasive Species Control: The primary stewardship need appears to be the control and management of invasive plant species. Efforts should primarily focus on controllable threats such as invasive shrubs (especially Morrow honeysuckle and multiflora rose) and easy-to-treat herbaceous species such as garlic mustard and dame's-rocket. Control of the extensive populations of reed canary grass will be difficult, but more recently established individuals and patches should be treated and monitored. Moneywort is a well-established "carpet" species and likely cannot be eradicated without significant damage to the native flora.

Habitat Protection: One small ten-acre tract known as the Red Cedar River Plant Preserve is owned and managed by the Michigan Nature Association. The remainder of the area is in private ownership and is not protected. Large landowners who own property within the floodplain should be contacted about placing a conservation easement on their property with the goal of protecting as much of the Red Cedar floodplain and adjacent natural lands as possible.

Controlling Deer Population: Managed hunts and monitoring of deer populations should be established to control deer populations throughout the area. In addition to reducing or maintaining deer populations at ecologically sustainable levels, efforts should be undertaken to monitor the impacts of deer management on vegetation and soil condition particularly in the various forested systems still found at this site.

Site Ecological Summary: Dietz Road West

Size: 151 acres
Location: Ingham County, Leroy and Locke Townships
Ownership: 100% Private
PCA: #1123, score = 13 (High)

LOCATION OF SITE:

The Dietz Road West site consists of forested acreage along the Red Cedar River, Squaw Creek, and Doan Creek west of Dietz Road, east of Chula Vista Drive. The entirety of this site is in private ownership, including large parcels within the YMCA Camp Pa-Wa-Pi on the south side of the Red Cedar River.

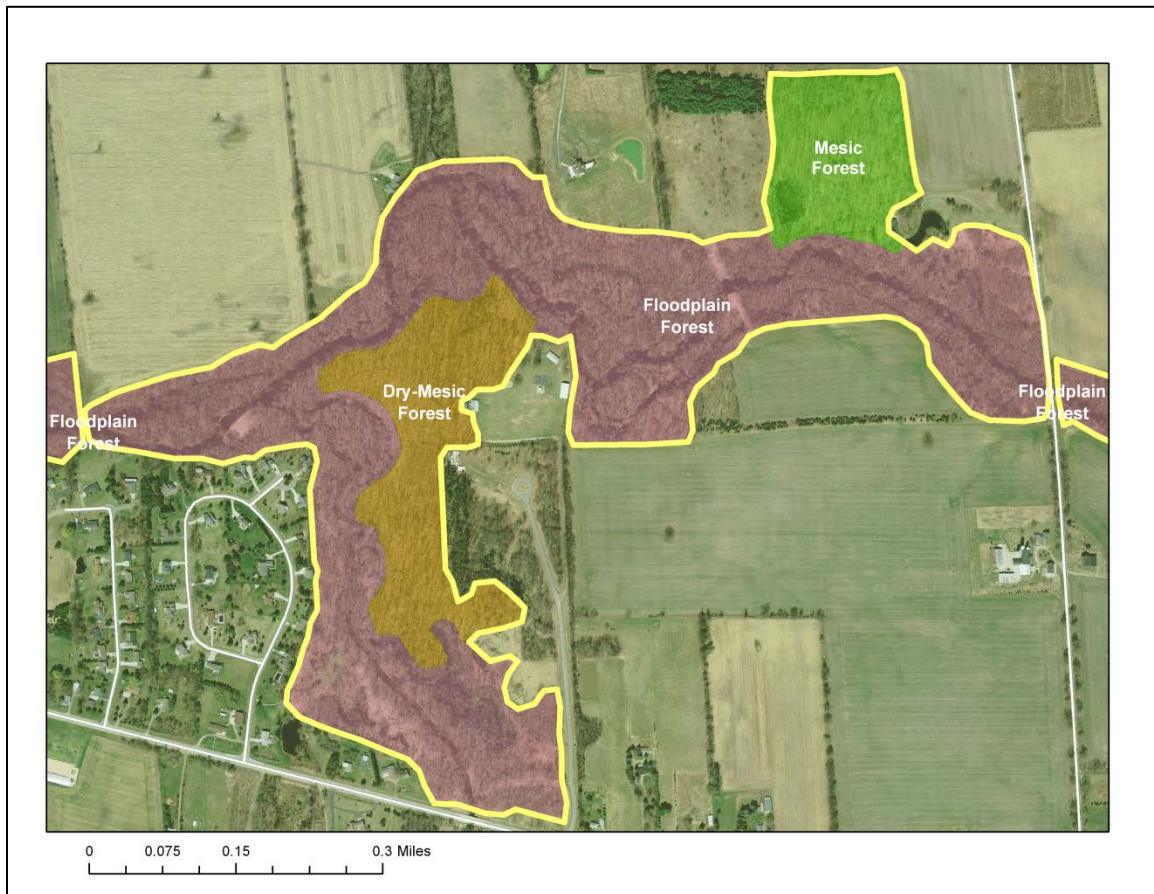


Figure 33. Site boundary with associated natural communities.

GENERAL SITE DESCRIPTION:

This area supports dry-mesic and mesic southern forest on uplands and floodplain forest along Red Cedar River, Squaw Creek, and Doan Creek. The surrounding landscape is primarily rural and agricultural, although suburban/exurban development is locally dense and increasing at the western margin of the site.

Mesic Southern Forest

A small woodlot approximately x acres supporting mesic southern forest occurs adjacent to the private residence southwest of the intersection of Rowley Road and Dietz Road. This woodlot has been degraded by logging and likely historical grazing, and now supports mostly small diameter (although scattered large, old trees in the 80-100 cm dbh size class are present) sugar maple (*Acer saccharum*), American beech (*Fagus grandifolia*), and black cherry (*Prunus serotina*). The depauperate ground layer is dominated by a dense carpet of sugar maple seedlings, associated with mayapple (*Podophyllum peltatum*), garlic mustard (*Alliaria petiolata*), common blue violet (*Viola sororia*), enchanter's-nightshade (*Circaea canadensis*), jack-in-the-pulpit (*Arisaema triphyllum*), and a few other browse-tolerant herbs. Deer densities are apparently high, and are also likely a major factor in reducing ground layer richness, diversity and woody regeneration. The small, isolated wetland in the southwestern portion of the woodlot is vegetated by dense growth of Michigan holly (*Ilex verticillata*) and buttonbush (*Cephalanthus occidentalis*).

Dry-mesic Southern Forest

The upland immediately west of the developed areas of the YMCA camp, is approximately x acres in size and bordered by Doan Creek to the east, a mature pine plantation and old field to the east, and the Red Cedar floodplain forest to the north. This loamy sand knoll supports one of the few remaining dry-mesic southern forests in the region. The overstory is dominated primarily by large white oak (*Quercus alba*) and black oak (*Q. velutina*) trees, with scattered red oak (*Q. rubra*), black cherry, white ash (*Fraxinus americana*), and sugar maple (*Acer saccharum*) found throughout. Large-toothed aspen (*Populus grandidentata*) is locally dominant. The importance of sugar maple in the understory indicates a trend towards mesic species likely the result of long-term fire suppression. Common shrubs and vines include witch-hazel (*Hamamelis virginiana*), maple-leaved viburnum (*Viburnum acerifolium*), choke-cherry (*Prunus virginiana*), poison-ivy (*Toxicodendron radicans*), riverbank grape (*Vitis riparia*), and Virginia creeper (*Parthenocissus quinquefolia*). Characteristic ground layer species include Pennsylvania sedge (*Carex pennsylvanica*), bluestem goldenrod (*Solidago caesia*), enchanter's-nightshade, clustered-leaved tick-trefoil (*Hylodesmum glutinosum*), jumpseed (*Persicaria virginica*), white avens (*Geum canadense*), and mayapple. The abundance of weedy forbs suggests that this area of the site was also historically grazed.

Floodplain Forest

The highest quality area of floodplain forest along this stretch of the Red Cedar River occurs on the north side of the river, just northeast of the YMCA Camp. In fact, this is the highest quality floodplain forest along the Red Cedar River that we surveyed between Williamston and Webberville. This stretch of floodplain is approximately x acres in size. Silver maple (*Acer saccharinum*) is dominant in the overstory, and is associated with green ash (*Fraxinus pennsylvanica*, mostly dead), bur oak (*Quercus macrocarpa*), cottonwood (*Populus deltoides*), and, to a lesser extent, basswood (*Tilia americana*), black maple (*Acer nigrum*), and American elm (*Ulmus americana*). The understory is open, with the exception of occasional to locally common musclewood (*Carpinus caroliniana*). The ground layer is dominated by lizard's-tail (*Saururus cernuus*) on the lowest, muckiest flats, and wood nettle (*Laportea canadensis*) and ostrich fern (*Matteuccia struthiopteris*) on slightly higher, narrow terraces and old river banks. Other characteristic ground layer species include white grass (*Leersia virginica*), moneywort (*Lysimachia nummularia*), fringed loosestrife (*L. ciliata*), cream violet (*Viola striata*), clearweed (*Pilea pumila*), late goldenrod (*Solidago gigantea*), green dragon (*Arisaema dracontium*), Gray's sedge (*Carex grayi*), and mad-dog skullcap (*Scutellaria lateriflora*). Reed canary grass (*Phalaris arundinacea*) is locally common or abundant, especially in open, degraded wet forest along the channelized portion of Doan Creek west of the YMCA camp. Skunk-cabbage (*Symplocarpus*

foetidus) is locally dominant in seeps at the base of the upland. Vines such as riverbank grape, poison-ivy, and Virginia creeper are also important. Buttonbush forms a band around some of the lowest, wettest meander scars.

Rare Species

One state-listed vascular plant species, bugle weed (*Lycopus virginicus*), was documented from the wet, mucky floodplain forest at this site. The colonies here are part of a larger population that extends east along the Red Cedar River from the vicinity of Williamston. In total, these colonies stretch for approximately 3.3 miles along the Red Cedar River. Please refer to Appendix G for the floristic quality assessment and full plant species list.

ECOLOGICAL SIGNIFICANCE:

The primary importance of this area is the relatively large, unfragmented block of forest (mesic, dry mesic, and floodplain) in the otherwise heavily agricultural landscape of Leroy and Locke Townships. The site is likely utilized by a variety of wildlife species and by neo-tropical migratory songbirds for nesting as well as a stopover site for spring and fall migration. Although the site has been impacted by logging, grazing, emerald ash borer, invasive plants, high levels of deer browse, and an altered flood regime, the majority (90%) of the approximately 233 vascular plant taxa identified during our surveys are native to the area, so the site provides an important refugium for these species in a highly fragmented and altered landscape. In addition, a significant portion of one of the largest documented populations of the state-threatened bugle weed occurs at this site.

DISTURBANCE & THREATS:

As mentioned above, this site has been impacted by a variety of human disturbances, including logging, grazing, altered flood regimes, and the introduction of emerald ash borer, invasive plants, and conditions favorable for ecologically unsustainable high deer densities. The magnitude of the eventual impacts of emerald ash borer is not yet known, but continued die-off of canopy and subcanopy ashes is creating large areas of silver maple-dominated forest and permitting light-dependent invasive species such as reed canary grass to spread and increase in areas where green ash was once dominant.

A diversity of non-native, invasive species have established at the Dietz Road West site, although the impacts here were lower than at some of the more fragmented and/or urbanized stretches of floodplain. Of particular significance are dense patches of reed canary grass (*Phalaris arundinacea*). Moneywort (*Lysimachia nummularia*) forms dense patches over much of the floodplain forest. Garlic mustard (*Alliaria petiolata*) was locally common, especially in disturbed areas in the mesic southern forest. Invasive shrubs were less important here than at many of the other sites surveyed along the Red Cedar River. Only four species were noted, Morrow honeysuckle (*Lonicera morrowii*), Japanese barberry (*Berberis thunbergii*), European-highbush-cranberry (*Viburnum opulus*) and multiflora rose (*Rosa multiflora*), although others may be present but in low numbers.



Figure 34. Lush floodplain ground layer dominated by wood nettle (*Laportea canadensis*).



Figure 35. A northern map turtle (*Graptemys geographica*) in the Red Cedar River floodplain.



Figure 36. Dense colonies of bugle weed (*Lycopus virginicus*), state threatened, occur scattered in the floodplain.

STEWARDSHIP CONSIDERATIONS:

Invasive Species Control: The primary stewardship need appears to be the control and management of invasive plant species. Efforts should primarily focus on controllable threats such as invasive shrubs (especially Morrow honeysuckle and multiflora rose) and easy-to-treat herbaceous species such as garlic mustard and dame's-rocket. Control of the locally extensive and well established populations of reed canary grass will be very difficult, but more recently established individuals and patches should be treated and monitored. Moneywort is a well-established "carpet" species and likely cannot be eradicated without significant damage to the native flora.

Habitat Protection: The area is entirely in private ownership and is not currently protected. One large tract is owned by YMCA Camp Pa-Wa-Pi, with the remaining parcels in the survey area split among four private landowners. Securing conservation easements with each of these five landowners should be a high priority.

Controlling Deer Population: Managed hunts and monitoring of deer populations should be considered throughout the area. In addition to reducing or maintaining deer populations at ecologically sustainable levels, efforts should be undertaken to monitor the impacts of deer management on vegetation and soil condition.

Site Ecological Summary: Perry Road West

Size: 69 acres
Location: Ingham County, Leroy and Locke Townships
Ownership: 100% Private
PCA: #1117, score = 12 (High)

LOCATION OF SITE:

The Perry Road West site consists of forested acreage along the Red Cedar River and Sullivan Creek west of Perry Road (M-52), and east of Dietz Road. The entirety of this site is in private ownership, with a single house surrounded by upland forest between the two streams.

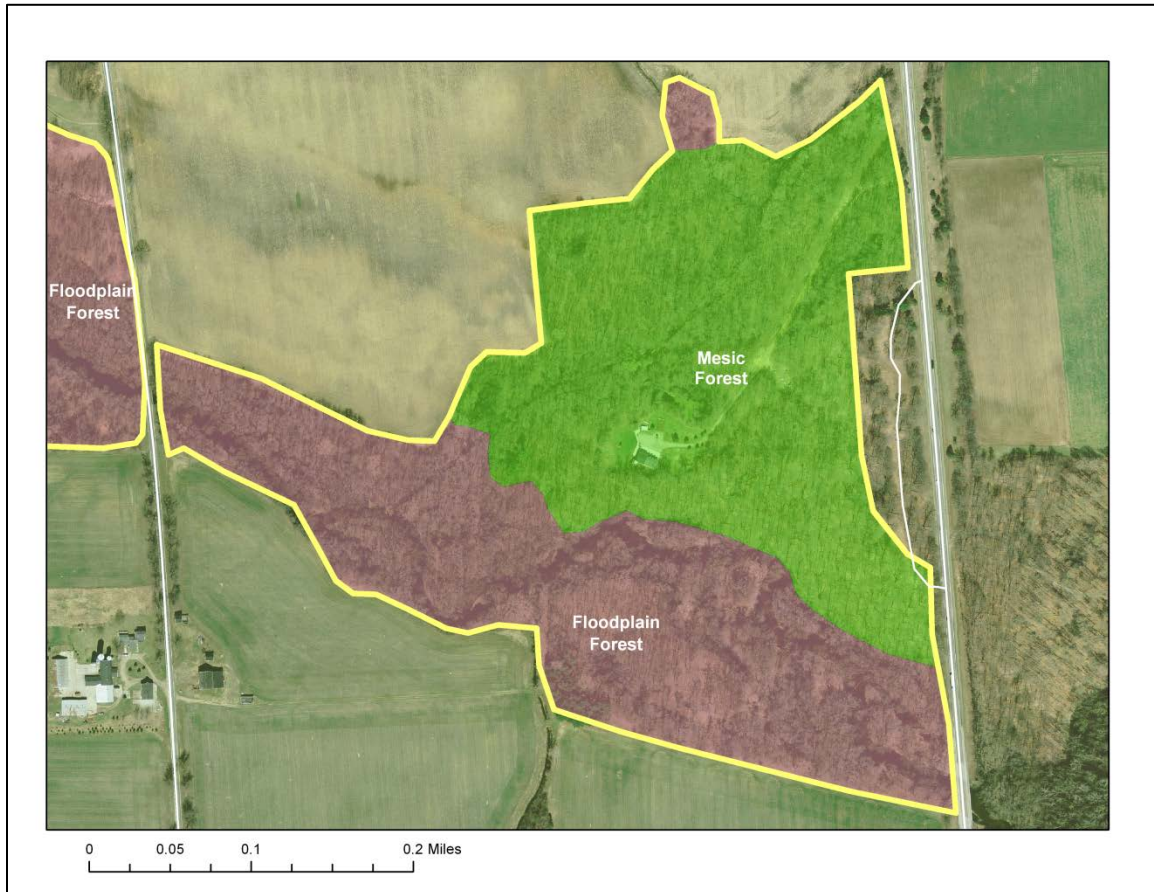


Figure 37. Site boundary and associated natural community patches.

GENERAL SITE DESCRIPTION:

This area supports several small tracts of mesic southern forest in the uplands, and a large contiguous floodplain forest along the Red Cedar River and (to a lesser extent) Sullivan Creek. The surrounding landscape is primarily agricultural, with rural residential development concentrated along the main roads.

Mesic Southern Forest

The uplands above the area of the current Red Cedar River floodplain support second-growth mesic southern forest dominated by American beech (*Fagus grandifolia*) and sugar maple (*Acer saccharum*). Canopy associates include white ash (*Fraxinus americana*), black cherry (*Prunus serotina*), and red oak (*Quercus rubra*). Large, mature trees (in the 70 – 100 cm dbh size class) are locally common throughout. At least portions of the mesic southern forest appear to have been historically grazed, and support very low species richness in the ground layer. Sugar maple seedlings were the dominant species in the herbaceous layer. Some areas of the mesic southern forest may not have been grazed historically and support a denser, richer herbaceous layer, including typical spring wildflowers such as large white trillium (*Trillium grandiflorum*) and false spikenard (*Maianthemum racemosum*). Deer densities are apparently high, and are also likely a major factor reducing ground layer richness and diversity and woody regeneration. The upland forest areas west and north of the single residence are younger and more disturbed than the area south and east of the dwelling.

Floodplain Forest

The floodplain forest at this site occurs as a relatively narrow band along the river near Perry Road, widening as the river approaches its confluence with Sullivan Creek. Nearly the entirety of this community is low, wet, mucky, frequently inundated forest dominated by silver maple (*Acer saccharinum*), formerly with green ash (*Fraxinus pennsylvanica*) as a codominant or local dominant, now having been mostly killed off by emerald ash borer (*Agrilus planipennis*). Basswood (*Tilia americana*), cottonwood (*Populus deltoides*), and black maple (*Acer nigrum*) are occasional. The understory is largely open. Characteristic small trees, shrubs and herbs include musclewood (*Carpinus caroliniana*), bladdernut (*Staphylea trifolia*), common elder (*Sambucus canadensis*), wild grape (*Vitis riparia*), poison-ivy (*Toxicodendron radicans*), lizard's-tail (*Saururus cernuus*), wood nettle (*Laportea canadensis*), late goldenrod (*Solidago gigantea*), water dock (*Rumex verticillatus*), southern blue flag (*Iris virginica*), clearweed (*Pilea pumila*), Virginia wild-rye (*Elymus virginicus*), white grass (*Leersia virginica*), Gray's sedge (*Carex grayi*), wood gray sedge (*Carex grisea*), and sensitive fern (*Onoclea sensibilis*).

Rare Species

One state-listed vascular plant species, bugle weed (*Lycopus virginicus*), was documented from the wet, mucky floodplain forest at this site. The colonies here are part of a larger population that extends along the Red Cedar River from the vicinity of Williamston east to M-52 – an area that extends roughly 3.3 miles. Please refer to Appendix G for the floristic quality assessment and a full plant species list.



Figure 38. Emerald ash borer is killing several ash species in the floodplain and opening up the canopy allowing high levels of light to reach the ground layer.



Figure 39. A central meander scar surrounded by slightly higher terraces.



Figure 40. State threatened Bugle weed (*Lycopus virginicus*) in late spring.

ECOLOGICAL SIGNIFICANCE:

The primary importance of this area is as a relatively large, relatively unfragmented block of forest in an otherwise heavily agricultural landscape. The site is likely utilized by a variety of wildlife species and by neo-tropical migratory songbirds for nesting and as a stopover site during spring and fall migration. The majority (89%) of the approximately 140 vascular plant taxa identified during our surveys are native to the area, so the site provides an important refugium for these species. In addition, a portion of one of the largest documented populations of the state-threatened bugle weed occurs at this site along the Red Cedar floodplain.

DISTURBANCE & THREATS:

This site has been impacted by a variety of human disturbances, including logging, grazing, altered flood regimes, and the introduction of emerald ash borer, invasive plants, and conditions favorable for ecologically unsustainable high deer densities.

Unfortunately, a diversity of non-native, invasive species have established at the Perry Road West site, although the impacts here were lower than at some of the more fragmented and/or urbanized stretches of floodplain at the other sites. Of particular significance are dense patches of reed canary grass (*Phalaris arundinacea*), especially along the river, but also present and possibly increasing in other areas of the floodplain forest, especially where emerald ash borer has killed ash trees and locally opened up the canopy. Moneywort (*Lysimachia nummularia*) forms dense patches over much of the floodplain forest. Garlic mustard (*Alliaria petiolata*) was locally common, especially in disturbed areas in the mesic southern forest. Invasive shrubs were less important here than at many of the other sites surveyed along the Red Cedar River. Only two species were noted, European-highbush-cranberry (*Viburnum opulus*) and multiflora rose (*Rosa multiflora*), although others may be present but in low numbers (and therefore undocumented during the floristic surveys).

The magnitude of the eventual impacts of emerald ash borer is not yet known, but continued die-off of canopy and subcanopy ashes is creating large areas of monodominant silver maple-dominated forest and permitting light-dependent invasive species such as reed canary grass to spread and increase in areas where green ash was once dominant.

STEWARDSHIP CONSIDERATIONS:

Invasive Species Control: The primary stewardship need appears to be the control and management of invasive plant species. Efforts should primarily focus on controllable threats such as invasive shrubs (especially multiflora rose) and easy-to-treat herbaceous species such as garlic mustard and dame's-rocket. Control of the locally extensive populations of reed canary grass will be difficult, but more recently established individuals and patches should be treated and monitored. Moneywort is a well-established "carpet" species and likely cannot be eradicated without significant damage to the native flora.

Habitat Protection: The area is entirely in private ownership and is not currently protected. The property immediately south of the Red Cedar River and west of M-52 is currently for sale.

Controlling Deer Population: Managed hunts and monitoring of deer populations should be considered throughout the area. In addition to reducing or maintaining deer populations at ecologically sustainable levels, efforts should be undertaken to monitor the impacts of deer management on vegetation and soil condition.

4. Summary of Survey Results

Introduction

The BRT Corridor is located within the highly modified, human dominated landscape of mid-Michigan. It varies from west to east, with high density urban development and impervious cover in Lansing and East Lansing, a mix of natural lands and moderate density urban development in Meridian Township, and a mix of low density development, rural, and natural lands between the towns of Williamston and Webberville. Based on historical aerial photographs, much of this corridor was already modified by 1930s, with only 7.6% of the corridor in natural condition. Over time, this percentage has increased as marginal farmland was allowed to succeed to a more natural condition. Today, 2,556 acres or 19% of the landscape is in natural condition based on 2006 CCAP land cover data.

In a previous study, Potential Conservation Areas (PCAs) were identified throughout the Tri-County region which included the BRT Corridor. Based on a variety of factors, we prioritized the PCAs for conducting ecological surveys, with the actual properties surveyed dependent on accessibility. Nine PCAs within the corridor were identified and private landowners were contacted to request permission to access their properties. A total of eight sites were surveyed for plants and natural communities during the 2013 and 2014 growing seasons. Sites ranged in size from 33 acres to 356 acres, for a total of 1,100 acres surveyed (Table 6). Ownership of these sites ranged from 100% private to 100% public.

Table 6. Summary of sites surveyed within the BRT Corridor.

| Name of Survey Site | Acres |
|----------------------------|-------|
| Williamston East | 173 |
| Dietz Rd. West | 151 |
| Perry Rd. West | 69 |
| Ted Black Woods | 187 |
| Davis-Foster Preserve | 45 |
| Van Atta Road Natural Area | 356 |
| Ferguson Park | 33 |
| Sanford Woods | 86 |
| Total | 1100 |

Natural Communities

The only modestly disturbed site in the study corridor is the mature mesic southern forest protected within Sanford Natural Area on the campus of Michigan State University. This area, first added to the MNFI database of high quality natural community element occurrences in 1985, continues to support a high quality, mature mesic southern forest, although it is fragmented and isolated by adjacent university buildings and commercial development, in addition to being impacted by several non-native plant species.

The remainder of the Red Cedar River corridor supports three primary natural communities: floodplain forest, mesic southern forest, and dry-mesic southern forest. Floodplain forest is the

dominant natural community type, covering a total of 606 acres and making up 55% of the lands surveyed as part of this project. The highest quality stretch of floodplain forest occurs in Meridian Township, largely within the confines of four township parks (Riverdowns Natural Area, Legg Park, Harris Nature Center, and Eastgate Park). This extensive site supports a diversity of fluvial landforms and high native species richness, but is also significantly impacted by a variety of disturbances (in addition to historical land use) largely associated with the urbanization of the surrounding landscape. Among these are altered flood regimes, high levels of deer browse, and invasive plant and animal species. Outside of this area, relatively intact, mature floodplain forest is mostly limited to local areas of first bottoms that were too wet to clear.

Outside the Sanford Natural Area, the patches of mesic southern forest are generally highly disturbed by cutting, grazing, and invasive plant species. Perhaps the best example is a small terrace in the Harris Nature Center/Eastgate Park that supports mature beech-maple forest with a species-rich ground layer. Six mesic southern forest patches totaling 120 acres were surveyed. Dry-mesic southern forest is primarily limited to ravine slopes and crests immediately adjacent to the floodplain, with no high quality examples of significant size noted in the vicinity of the river. Four patches of dry-mesic southern forest totaling 199 acres were surveyed.

Away from the Red Cedar River, dry-mesic southern forest dominates the majority of Ted Black Woods Park (147 acres), although it is largely degraded. This site also supports several kettle wetlands, one of which (just outside the park on private land) supports what appears to be a fairly high quality bog community. Unfortunately we were unable to gain permission to survey this interesting wetland. The Davis-Foster Preserve supports a small example of southern wet meadow in a shallow kettle depression that was likely at least partially drained. This area, too, is disturbed, perhaps the primary threat being dense colonies of glossy buckthorn (*Frangula alnus*) in the center of the site. A summary of natural communities surveyed can be found in Table 7.

Table 7. Summary of Natural Communities surveyed during the 2013-2014 field seasons.

| Natural Community Type | # of Occurrences | Total Acres |
|---------------------------|------------------|-------------|
| Bog | 3 | 35 |
| Dry-Mesic Southern Forest | 4 | 199 |
| Emergent Marsh | 7 | 16 |
| Floodplain Forest | 8 | 606 |
| Mesic Southern Forest | 6 | 120 |
| Pine Plantation | 1 | 5 |
| Southern Wet Meadow | 1 | 22 |
| Total | 30 | 1003 |

Rare Plants

Three rare vascular plant species were locally common along the downstream stretch of the Red Cedar River between Lansing and Meridian Township. These were the state special concern Davis' sedge (*Carex davisii*), the state threatened beak grass (*Diarrhena obovata*), and the state threatened bugle weed (*Lycopus virginicus*). The occurrences along the Red Cedar River are among the most viable sites in the entire state for all three species. The upstream stretch of the Red Cedar River near and east of Williamston supported only one of these species, bugle weed. Again, this population of state threatened bugle weed is one of the most significant in the state,

found along a 3.3 mile stretch of the Red Cedar floodplain. A total of five new element occurrences and six updated occurrences were documented during field surveys in 2013 – 2014 (Table 8).

Three previously documented rare plant occurrences were not relocated during the 2013 – 2014 surveys (Table 9). These were the state threatened green violet (*Hybanthus concolor*), red mulberry (*Morus rubra*), and ginseng (*Panax quinquefolius*). All three of these species were previously known from Sanford Natural Area (Sanford Woods) on the campus of Michigan State University. Green violet was observed in 2007 and almost certainly persists at the site. Red mulberry and ginseng were always scarce, with only a few individuals of each species noted during the late 1960s. Both are presumed extirpated from the site, although additional targeted surveys are warranted.

Table 8. New and updated rare plant element occurrences.

| Site | Species | Common name | Previous Last Observed | Current Last Observed |
|-------------------|-----------------------------|--------------|------------------------|-----------------------|
| Dietz Rd. West | <i>Lycopus virginicus</i> * | Bugle weed | New | 2014-09-09 |
| Perry Rd. West | <i>Lycopus virginicus</i> * | Bugle weed | New | 2014-09-09 |
| Sanford Woods | <i>Diarrhena obovata</i> | Beak grass | 2007-10-13 | 2013-07-05 |
| Sanford Woods | <i>Hydrastis canadensis</i> | Goldenseal | 1968 | 2013-09-05 |
| Sanford Woods | <i>Lycopus virginicus</i> | Bugle weed | 1962-09-30 | 2013-09-05 |
| Sanford Woods (E) | <i>Carex davisii</i> | Davis' sedge | New | 2013-07-05 |
| Ferguson Park | <i>Carex davisii</i> | Davis' sedge | New | 2013-07-05 |
| Ferguson Park | <i>Diarrhena obovata</i> | Beak grass | New | 2013-07-05 |
| Ferguson Park | <i>Lycopus virginicus</i> | Bugle weed | New | 2013-08-17 |
| Van Atta Rd. NA | <i>Carex davisii</i> | Davis' sedge | 1990-06-02 | 2013-08-14 |
| Van Atta Rd. NA | <i>Diarrhena obovata</i> | Beak grass | 1980 | 2013-08-14 |
| Van Atta Rd. NA | <i>Lycopus virginicus</i> | Bugle weed | 1952-09-20 | 2013-08-14 |
| Williamston West | <i>Lycopus virginicus</i> * | Bugle weed | New | 2014-09-09 |

*Part of the same element occurrence

Table 9. Previously documented rare plant element occurrences not reconfirmed 2013 – 2014.

| Site | Species | Common name | Previous Last Observed | Current Last Observed |
|---------------|-----------------------------|--------------|------------------------|-----------------------|
| Sanford Woods | <i>Hydrastis canadensis</i> | Green violet | 2007-05-18 | NA* |
| Sanford Woods | <i>Morus rubra</i> | Red mulberry | 1969-10-07 | NA |
| Sanford Woods | <i>Panax quinquefolius</i> | Ginseng | 1964-09-07 | NA |

*Likely extant; very limited distribution.

Key Challenges

All sites surveyed in the Corridor are impacted to at least some degree by disturbances typical of natural areas in urban and suburban settings. The immediate surrounding landscape ranges from moderate density urban development in East Lansing to residential subdivisions in Meridian Township to agricultural row crops and low density residential development in the eastern portion

of the corridor. The impacts of this landscape fragmentation and adjacent development include: 1) altered hydrology; 2) the establishment and spread of invasive plant species; and 3) the concentration of deer in the natural areas causing erosion and high levels of browse that have reduced populations of native plant species. In addition, many of these sites support a variety of native ash trees. Unfortunately, the emerald ash borer has killed the vast majority of these ashes. This has created more openings in the canopy, allowing significant levels of light to reach the ground layer as well as increasing the water table. In the immediate term, these changes have provided additional habitat for invasive plant species such as reed canary grass to increase their dominance.

A diversity of non-native, invasive species has become established at all of the sites visited. Invasive shrubs are widespread and locally common to dominant. Invasive shrubs include Amur honeysuckle (*Lonicera maackii*), common privet (*Ligustrum vulgare*), multiflora rose (*Rosa multiflora*), common buckthorn (*Rhamnus cathartica*), European highbush-cranberry (*Viburnum opulus*), Japanese barberry (*Berberis thunbergii*), Morrow honeysuckle (*Lonicera morrowii*), and autumn-olive (*Elaeagnus umbellata*). Invasive herbaceous species are also common and locally abundant or dominant. Among these, moneywort (*Lysimachia nummularia*) and dame's-rocket (*Hesperis matronalis*) are especially pernicious in the floodplain. Garlic mustard (*Alliaria petiolata*) is locally common. Wet openings in the floodplain and some open wetlands support locally dense populations of reed canary grass (*Phalaris arundinacea*), a particularly difficult invasive species to eradicate and control.

Conservation Actions

Invasive Species Control: The primary stewardship need is the control and management of invasive plant species. Each site has its own unique set of invasive species to address. We recommend that efforts should primarily focus on controllable threats such as invasive shrubs (Amur honeysuckle, common privet, multiflora rose, and honeysuckle) and easy-to-treat herbaceous species such as garlic mustard and dame's-rocket.

Habitat Protection: Many of the sites surveyed have some land in public ownership and protected from disruptive activities such as extraction and development. Most sites also have small portions that are in private ownership and all are surrounded by a mix of private land uses. However, the three sites located between Williamston and Webberville are 100% privately owned. Private landowners within and adjacent to the site boundaries should be contacted about the significance of these sites and what they can do to help ensure the long-term health of these limited number of natural areas within the Corridor. Conservation opportunities could come in the form of conservation easements, fee acquisition, management agreements, and/or enrollment in farm bill programs. The Mid-Michigan Land Conservancy, located in Okemos, is a logical partner to work with these individual landowners on long-term conservation of their natural lands.

Controlling Deer Population: Managed hunts and monitoring of deer populations are both needed to reduce the impact of deer browse on native plant species. Every site visited showed signs of deer browse, with some areas displaying very little native ground flora diversity and density. Deer populations throughout the corridor and surrounding areas need to be reduced to ecologically sustainable levels. Meridian Township has already taken steps to reduce the impact of the local deer herd by establishing a managed deer hunting program on Meridian Township owned lands. Efforts should also be undertaken to monitor the impacts of deer management on site vegetation and soil condition to determine if various management efforts are working.

Conclusion

The BRT corridor is located within a highly modified, human dominated landscape of northwest Ingham County in mid-Michigan. It varies from west to east, with high density urban development and impervious cover in Lansing and East Lansing, a mix of natural and moderate density urban development in Meridian Township, and a mix of low density development, rural, and natural lands between the towns of Williamston and Webberville. Based on historical aerial photographs, much of this corridor was already modified by 1930s, with only 7.6% of the land in natural condition. Typical of an urbanized Midwestern landscape, only one of the sites visited and surveyed was of high quality (Sanford Woods), although several sites did contain rare plant populations and/or natural community remnants of moderate quality. The biggest challenges in the corridor are invasive plant species and the impacts of emerald ash borer, followed by deer herbivory in the understory. Habitat fragmentation is the largest underlying problem. The prospects of reversing the current levels of habitat fragmentation however are daunting and seemingly insurmountable given the high levels of urbanization, road density, and parcelization in the region.

Despite these obstacles, there are areas where it is feasible to improve habitat connectivity and condition. The Red Cedar floodplain from Meridian Township to Webberville is a large stretch that provides such an opportunity. The Van Atta Road Natural Area is the only hub that occurred in this stretch and is certainly one of the highest quality sites that was surveyed. The portion of the Red Cedar River north of Grand River Avenue is largely in an agricultural landscape. Farmland typically provides a better opportunity for habitat restoration, and there are still several large stretches of the floodplain and adjacent uplands in natural condition. This was particularly evident for the three sites surveyed between Williamston and Perry Rd. (M-52). Another stretch of the Red Cedar River floodplain, located where it crosses Grand River Avenue in Meridian Township east to Williamston, could also provide another good opportunity for ecological protection and restoration.

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**Appendix A:
Floristic Quality Assessment – Sanford Woods**

Sanford Natural Area

07/03/2013

Sanford NA
East Lansing
Ingham
MI
USA

FQA DB Region: Michigan
FQA DB Publication Year: 2014

FQA DB Description: Reznicek, A.A., M.R. Penskar, B.S. Walters, and B.S. Slaughter. 2014. Michigan Floristic Quality Assessment Database. Herbarium, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, MI and Michigan Natural Features Inventory, Michigan State University, Lansing, MI. <http://michiganflora.net>

Practitioner: Brad Slaughter
Latitude: 42.7283
Longitude: -84.4664
Weather Notes:
Duration Notes:
Community Type Notes: Mesic southern forest, floodplain forest

Other Notes: Additional surveys 5 September 2013(Slaughter, J. Paskus, B. Norris); 6 May 2014 (B. Slaughter). Also noted: *Dryopteris* sp., *Carex* spp., *Scrophularia* sp., *Crataegus* sp.
Private/Public: Public

Conservatism-Based Metrics:

| | |
|---------------------------|------|
| Total Mean C: | 4 |
| Native Mean C: | 4.8 |
| Total FQI: | 53.1 |
| Native FQI: | 58.2 |
| Adjusted FQI: | 43.9 |
| % C value 0: | 19.3 |
| % C value 1-3: | 17 |
| % C value 4-6: | 46 |
| % C value 7-10: | 17.6 |
| Native Tree Mean C: | 4.5 |
| Native Shrub Mean C: | 5.1 |
| Native Herbaceous Mean C: | 4.8 |

Species Richness:
 Total Species: 176
 Native Species: 147 83.50%
 Non-native Species: 29 16.50%

Species Wetness:
 Mean Wetness: 1.1
 Native Mean Wetness: 0.8

Physiognomy Metrics:
 Tree: 34 19.30%
 Shrub: 14 8%
 Vine: 9 5.10%
 Forb: 90 51.10%
 Grass: 11 6.30%
 Sedge: 13 7.40%
 Rush: 0 0%
 Fern: 5 2.80%
 Bryophyte: 0 0%

Duration Metrics:
 Annual: 5 2.80%
 Perennial: 164 93.20%
 Biennial: 7 4%
 Native Annual: 4 2.30%
 Native Perennial: 140 79.50%
 Native Biennial: 3 1.70%

Species:

| Scientific Name | Family | Acronym | Native? | C | W | Physiognomy | Duration | Common Name |
|---|---------------|---------|------------|---|----|-------------|-----------|-----------------|
| Acer campestre | Sapindaceae | ACECAM | non-native | 0 | 5 | tree | perennial | hedge maple |
| Acer negundo | Sapindaceae | ACENEG | native | 0 | 0 | tree | perennial | box-elder |
| Acer nigrum; a. saccharum | Sapindaceae | ACENIG | native | 4 | 3 | tree | perennial | black maple |
| Acer saccharinum | Sapindaceae | ACESAI | native | 2 | -3 | tree | perennial | silver maple |
| Acer saccharum | Sapindaceae | ACESAU | native | 5 | 3 | tree | perennial | sugar maple |
| Actaea pachypoda | Ranunculaceae | ACTPAC | native | 7 | 5 | forb | perennial | dolls-eyes |
| Ageratina altissima; eupatorium rugosum | Asteraceae | AGEALT | native | 4 | 3 | forb | perennial | white snakeroot |

| Scientific Name | Family | Acronym | Native? | C | W | Physiognomy | Duration | Common Name |
|--|------------------|---------|------------|---|----|-------------|-----------|-------------------------|
| <i>Agrostis perennans</i> | Poaceae | AGRPER | native | 5 | 3 | grass | perennial | autumn bent |
| <i>Alisma subcordatum</i> ; a. <i>plantago-aquatica</i> | Alismataceae | ALISUB | native | 1 | -5 | forb | perennial | southern water-plantain |
| <i>Alliaria petiolata</i> | Brassicaceae | ALLPET | non-native | 0 | 3 | forb | biennial | garlic mustard |
| <i>Allium canadense</i> | Alliaceae | ALLCAN | native | 4 | 3 | forb | perennial | wild garlic |
| <i>Allium tricoccum</i> | Alliaceae | ALLTRI | native | 5 | 3 | forb | perennial | wild leek |
| <i>Anemone quinquefolia</i> | Ranunculaceae | ANEQUI | native | 5 | 3 | forb | perennial | wood anemone |
| <i>Arctium minus</i> | Asteraceae | ARCMIN | non-native | 0 | 3 | forb | biennial | common burdock |
| <i>Arisaema dracontium</i> | Araceae | ARIDRA | native | 8 | -3 | forb | perennial | green dragon |
| <i>Arisaema triphyllum</i> | Araceae | ARITRI | native | 5 | 0 | forb | perennial | jack-in-the-pulpit |
| <i>Asarum canadense</i> | Aristolochiaceae | ASACAN | native | 5 | 5 | forb | perennial | wild-ginger |
| <i>Asclepias incarnata</i> | Apocynaceae | ASCINC | native | 6 | -5 | forb | perennial | swamp milkweed |
| <i>Athyrium filix-femina</i> | Athyriaceae | ATHFIL | native | 4 | 0 | fern | perennial | lady fern |
| <i>Berberis thunbergii</i> | Berberidaceae | BERTHU | non-native | 0 | 3 | shrub | perennial | japanese barberry |
| <i>Boehera laevigata</i> ; <i>arabis l.</i> | Brassicaceae | BOELAE | native | 5 | 5 | forb | biennial | smooth bank cress |
| <i>Brachyelytrum erectum</i> | Poaceae | BRAERE | native | 7 | 5 | grass | perennial | long-awned wood grass |
| <i>Cardamine concatenata</i> ; <i>dentaria laciniata</i> | Brassicaceae | CARCON | native | 5 | 3 | forb | perennial | cut-leaved toothwort |
| <i>Carex albursina</i> | Cyperaceae | CXALBU | native | 5 | 5 | sedge | perennial | sedge |
| <i>Carex blanda</i> | Cyperaceae | CXBLAN | native | 1 | 0 | sedge | perennial | sedge |
| <i>Carex cristatella</i> | Cyperaceae | CXCRIS | native | 3 | -3 | sedge | perennial | sedge |
| <i>Carex grayi</i> | Cyperaceae | CXGRAY | native | 6 | -3 | sedge | perennial | sedge |
| <i>Carex grisea</i> ; c. <i>amphibola</i> | Cyperaceae | CXGRIS | native | 3 | 0 | sedge | perennial | sedge |
| <i>Carex hirtifolia</i> | Cyperaceae | CXHIRI | native | 5 | 3 | sedge | perennial | sedge |
| <i>Carex jamesii</i> | Cyperaceae | CXJAME | native | 8 | 5 | sedge | perennial | james sedge |
| <i>Carex laxiflora</i> | Cyperaceae | CXLAXF | native | 8 | 0 | sedge | perennial | sedge |
| <i>Carex pedunculata</i> | Cyperaceae | CXPEDU | native | 5 | 3 | sedge | perennial | sedge |
| <i>Carex plantaginea</i> | Cyperaceae | CXPLAN | native | 8 | 5 | sedge | perennial | sedge |
| <i>Carex sparganioides</i> | Cyperaceae | CXSPAR | native | 5 | 3 | sedge | perennial | sedge |
| <i>Carex stipata</i> | Cyperaceae | CXSTIP | native | 1 | -5 | sedge | perennial | sedge |
| <i>Carex woodii</i> | Cyperaceae | CXWOOD | native | 8 | 3 | sedge | perennial | sedge |
| <i>Carpinus caroliniana</i> | Betulaceae | CARCAO | native | 6 | 0 | tree | perennial | blue-beech |
| <i>Carya cordiformis</i> | Juglandaceae | CARCOR | native | 5 | 0 | tree | perennial | bitternut hickory |
| <i>Catalpa speciosa</i> | Bignoniaceae | CATSPE | non-native | 0 | 3 | tree | perennial | northern catalpa |
| <i>Caulophyllum thalictroides</i> | Berberidaceae | CAUTHA | native | 5 | 5 | forb | perennial | blue cohosh |
| <i>Celtis occidentalis</i> | Cannabaceae | CELOCC | native | 5 | 0 | tree | perennial | hackberry |
| <i>Cephalanthus occidentalis</i> | Rubiaceae | CEPOCC | native | 7 | -5 | shrub | perennial | buttonbush |
| <i>Cercis canadensis</i> | Fabaceae | CERCAN | native | 8 | 3 | tree | perennial | redbud |
| <i>Chelidonium majus</i> | Papaveraceae | CHEMAJ | non-native | 0 | 5 | forb | biennial | celandine |

| Scientific Name | Family | Acronym | Native? | C | W | Physiognomy | Duration | Common Name |
|---|-------------------|---------|------------|----|----|-------------|-----------|----------------------------|
| <i>Circaea canadensis</i> ; <i>c. lutetiana</i> | Onagraceae | CIRCAN | native | 2 | 3 | forb | perennial | enchanters-nightshade |
| <i>Cirsium vulgare</i> | Asteraceae | CIRVUL | non-native | 0 | 3 | forb | biennial | bull thistle |
| <i>Claytonia virginica</i> | Montiaceae | CLAVIR | native | 4 | 3 | forb | perennial | spring-beauty |
| <i>Collinsonia canadensis</i> | Lamiaceae | COLCAN | native | 8 | 0 | forb | perennial | richweed |
| <i>Convallaria majalis</i> | Convallariaceae | CONMAJ | non-native | 0 | 5 | forb | perennial | lily-of-the-valley |
| <i>Cornus alternifolia</i> | Cornaceae | CORALT | native | 5 | 3 | tree | perennial | alternate-leaved dogwood |
| <i>Cryptotaenia canadensis</i> | Apiaceae | CRYCAN | native | 2 | 0 | forb | perennial | honewort |
| <i>Diarrhena obovata</i> ; <i>d. americana</i> | Poaceae | DIAOBO | native | 9 | -3 | grass | perennial | beak grass |
| <i>Dicentra canadensis</i> | Papaveraceae | DICCAN | native | 7 | 5 | forb | perennial | squirrel-corn |
| <i>Dicentra cucullaria</i> | Papaveraceae | DICCUC | native | 7 | 5 | forb | perennial | dutchmans-breeches |
| <i>Dioscorea villosa</i> ; <i>dioscorea villosa</i> | Dioscoreaceae | DIOVIL | native | 4 | 0 | forb | perennial | wild yam |
| <i>Elymus hystrix</i> ; <i>hystrix patula</i> | Poaceae | ELYHYS | native | 5 | 3 | grass | perennial | bottlebrush grass |
| <i>Elymus riparius</i> | Poaceae | ELYRIP | native | 8 | -3 | grass | perennial | riverbank wild-rye |
| <i>Elymus virginicus</i> | Poaceae | ELYVIR | native | 4 | -3 | grass | perennial | virginia wild-rye |
| <i>Epipactis helleborine</i> | Orchidaceae | EPIHEL | non-native | 0 | 0 | forb | perennial | helleborine |
| <i>Eragrostis hypnoides</i> | Poaceae | ERAHYP | native | 8 | -5 | grass | annual | creeping love grass |
| <i>Erythronium albidum</i> | Liliaceae | ERYALB | native | 7 | 3 | forb | perennial | white trout lily |
| <i>Erythronium americanum</i> | Liliaceae | ERYAME | native | 5 | 5 | forb | perennial | yellow trout lily |
| <i>Euonymus obovatus</i> | Celastraceae | EUOOBO | native | 5 | 3 | shrub | perennial | running strawberry-bush |
| <i>Eurybia macrophylla</i> ; <i>aster m.</i> | Asteraceae | EURMAC | native | 4 | 5 | forb | perennial | big-leaved aster |
| <i>Eutrochium purpureum</i> ; <i>eupatorium p.</i> | Asteraceae | EUTPUR | native | 5 | 0 | forb | perennial | green-stemmed joe-pye-weed |
| <i>Fagus grandifolia</i> | Fagaceae | FAGGRA | native | 6 | 3 | tree | perennial | american beech |
| <i>Fraxinus americana</i> | Oleaceae | FRAAME | native | 5 | 3 | tree | perennial | white ash |
| <i>Fraxinus pennsylvanica</i> | Oleaceae | FRAPEN | native | 2 | -3 | tree | perennial | red ash |
| <i>Galium triflorum</i> | Rubiaceae | GALTRR | native | 4 | 3 | forb | perennial | fragrant bedstraw |
| <i>Geranium maculatum</i> | Geraniaceae | GERMAC | native | 4 | 3 | forb | perennial | wild geranium |
| <i>Geum canadense</i> | Rosaceae | GEUCAN | native | 1 | 0 | forb | perennial | white avens |
| <i>Glechoma hederacea</i> | Lamiaceae | GLEHED | non-native | 0 | 3 | forb | perennial | ground-ivy |
| <i>Gleditsia triacanthos</i> | Fabaceae | GLETRI | native | 8 | 0 | tree | perennial | honey locust |
| <i>Glyceria striata</i> | Poaceae | GLYSTR | native | 4 | -5 | grass | perennial | fowl manna grass |
| <i>Hackelia virginiana</i> | Boraginaceae | HACVIR | native | 1 | 3 | forb | biennial | beggars lice |
| <i>Hamamelis virginiana</i> | Hamamelidaceae | HAMVIR | native | 5 | 3 | shrub | perennial | witch-hazel |
| <i>Hedera helix</i> | Araliaceae | HEDHEL | non-native | 0 | 3 | vine | perennial | english ivy |
| <i>Hemerocallis fulva</i> | Hemerocallidaceae | HEMFUL | non-native | 0 | 5 | forb | perennial | orange day-lily |
| <i>Hepatica acutiloba</i> | Ranunculaceae | HEPACU | native | 8 | 5 | forb | perennial | sharp-lobed hepatica |
| <i>Hesperis matronalis</i> | Brassicaceae | HESMAT | non-native | 0 | 3 | forb | perennial | dames rocket |
| <i>Hydrastis canadensis</i> | Ranunculaceae | HYDCAS | native | 10 | 3 | forb | perennial | goldenseal |

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| <i>Hydrophyllum appendiculatum</i> | Boraginaceae | HYDAPP | native | 7 | 3 | forb | biennial | great waterleaf |
| <i>Hydrophyllum canadense</i> | Boraginaceae | HYDCAE | native | 7 | 0 | forb | perennial | canada waterleaf |
| <i>Hydrophyllum virginianum</i> | Boraginaceae | HYDVIR | native | 4 | 0 | forb | perennial | virginia waterleaf |
| <i>Hylodesmum glutinosum</i> ; <i>desmodium</i> g. | Fabaceae | HYLGLU | native | 5 | 5 | forb | perennial | clustered-leaved tick-trefoil |
| <i>Impatiens capensis</i> | Balsaminaceae | IMPCAP | native | 2 | -3 | forb | annual | spotted touch-me-not |
| <i>Impatiens pallida</i> | Balsaminaceae | IMPPAL | native | 6 | -3 | forb | annual | pale touch-me-not |
| <i>Juglans nigra</i> | Juglandaceae | JUGNIG | native | 5 | 3 | tree | perennial | black walnut |
| <i>Laportea canadensis</i> | Urticaceae | LAPCAN | native | 4 | -3 | forb | perennial | wood nettle |
| <i>Leersia virginica</i> | Poaceae | LEEVIR | native | 5 | -3 | grass | perennial | white grass |
| <i>Ligustrum vulgare</i> | Oleaceae | LIGVUL | non-native | 0 | 3 | shrub | perennial | common privet |
| <i>Lindera benzoin</i> | Lauraceae | LINBEN | native | 7 | -3 | shrub | perennial | spicebush |
| <i>Lonicera maackii</i> | Caprifoliaceae | LONMAA | non-native | 0 | 5 | shrub | perennial | amur honeysuckle |
| <i>Lycopus rubellus</i> | Lamiaceae | LYCRUB | native | 8 | -5 | forb | perennial | stalked water horehound |
| <i>Lycopus virginicus</i> | Lamiaceae | LYCVIR | native | 8 | -5 | forb | perennial | bugle weed |
| <i>Lysimachia ciliata</i> | Myrsinaceae | LYSCIL | native | 4 | -3 | forb | perennial | fringed loosestrife |
| <i>Lysimachia nummularia</i> | Myrsinaceae | LYSNUM | non-native | 0 | -3 | forb | perennial | moneywort |
| <i>Maianthemum racemosum</i> ; <i>smilacina</i> r. | Convallariaceae | MAIRAC | native | 5 | 3 | forb | perennial | false spikenard |
| <i>Maianthemum stellatum</i> ; <i>smilacina</i> s. | Convallariaceae | MAISTE | native | 5 | 0 | forb | perennial | starry false solomon-seal |
| <i>Matteuccia struthiopteris</i> | Onocleaceae | MATSTR | native | 3 | 0 | fern | perennial | ostrich fern |
| <i>Menispermum canadense</i> | Menispermaceae | MENCAE | native | 5 | 0 | vine | perennial | moonseed |
| <i>Mimulus ringens</i> | Phrymaceae | MIMRIN | native | 5 | -5 | forb | perennial | monkey-flower |
| <i>Morus alba</i> | Moraceae | MORALB | non-native | 0 | 3 | tree | perennial | white mulberry |
| <i>Nepeta cataria</i> | Lamiaceae | NEPCAT | non-native | 0 | 3 | forb | perennial | catnip |
| <i>Onoclea sensibilis</i> | Onocleaceae | ONOSEN | native | 2 | -3 | fern | perennial | sensitive fern |
| <i>Osmorhiza claytonii</i> | Apiaceae | OSMCLI | native | 4 | 3 | forb | perennial | hairy sweet-cicely |
| <i>Osmunda regalis</i> | Osmundaceae | OSMREG | native | 5 | -5 | fern | perennial | royal fern |
| <i>Ostrya virginiana</i> | Betulaceae | OSTVIR | native | 5 | 3 | tree | perennial | ironwood; hop-hornbeam |
| <i>Oxalis stricta</i> ; <i>o. fontana</i> | Oxalidaceae | OXASTR | native | 0 | 3 | forb | perennial | yellow wood-sorrel |
| <i>Parthenocissus quinquefolia</i> | Vitaceae | PARQUI | native | 5 | 3 | vine | perennial | virginia creeper |
| <i>Penthorum sedoides</i> | Penthoraceae | PENSED | native | 3 | -5 | forb | perennial | ditch stonecrop |
| <i>Persicaria virginiana</i> ; <i>polygonum</i> v. | Polygonaceae | PERVIR | native | 4 | 0 | forb | perennial | jumpseed |
| <i>Pilea pumila</i> | Urticaceae | PILPUM | native | 5 | -3 | forb | annual | clearweed |
| <i>Pinus strobus</i> | Pinaceae | PINSTR | native | 3 | 3 | tree | perennial | white pine |
| <i>Plantago rugelii</i> | Plantaginaceae | PLARUG | native | 0 | 0 | forb | perennial | red-stalked plantain |
| <i>Platanus occidentalis</i> | Platanaceae | PLAOCC | native | 7 | -3 | tree | perennial | sycamore |
| <i>Poa alsodes</i> | Poaceae | POAALS | native | 9 | 0 | grass | perennial | bluegrass |
| <i>Poa pratensis</i> | Poaceae | POAPRA | non-native | 0 | 3 | grass | perennial | kentucky bluegrass |

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| <i>Podophyllum peltatum</i> | Berberidaceae | PODPEL | native | 3 | 3 | forb | perennial | may-apple |
| <i>Polygonatum pubescens</i> | Convallariaceae | POLPUB | native | 5 | 5 | forb | perennial | downy solomon seal |
| <i>Polystichum acrostichoides</i> | Dryopteridaceae | POLACR | native | 6 | 3 | fern | perennial | christmas fern |
| <i>Populus deltoides</i> | Salicaceae | POPDEL | native | 1 | 0 | tree | perennial | cottonwood |
| <i>Prunella vulgaris</i> | Lamiaceae | PRUVUL | native | 0 | 0 | forb | perennial | self-heal |
| <i>Prunus serotina</i> | Rosaceae | PRUSER | native | 2 | 3 | tree | perennial | wild black cherry |
| <i>Prunus virginiana</i> | Rosaceae | PRUVIR | native | 2 | 3 | shrub | perennial | choke cherry |
| <i>Quercus alba</i> | Fagaceae | QUEALB | native | 5 | 3 | tree | perennial | white oak |
| <i>Quercus bicolor</i> | Fagaceae | QUEBIC | native | 8 | -3 | tree | perennial | swamp white oak |
| <i>Quercus macrocarpa</i> | Fagaceae | QUEMAC | native | 5 | 3 | tree | perennial | bur oak |
| <i>Quercus rubra</i> | Fagaceae | QUERUB | native | 5 | 3 | tree | perennial | red oak |
| <i>Ranunculus abortivus</i> | Ranunculaceae | RANABO | native | 0 | 0 | forb | perennial | small-flowered buttercup |
| <i>Ranunculus hispidus</i> | Ranunculaceae | RANHIS | native | 5 | 0 | forb | perennial | swamp buttercup |
| <i>Ranunculus recurvatus</i> | Ranunculaceae | RANREC | native | 5 | -3 | forb | perennial | hooked crowfoot |
| <i>Rhamnus cathartica</i> | Rhamnaceae | RHACAT | non-native | 0 | 0 | tree | perennial | common buckthorn |
| <i>Ribes americanum</i> | Grossulariaceae | RIBAME | native | 6 | -3 | shrub | perennial | wild black currant |
| <i>Ribes cynosbati</i> | Grossulariaceae | RIBCYN | native | 4 | 3 | shrub | perennial | prickly or wild gooseberry |
| <i>Robinia pseudoacacia</i> | Fabaceae | ROBPSE | non-native | 0 | 3 | tree | perennial | black locust |
| <i>Rudbeckia laciniata</i> | Asteraceae | RUDLAC | native | 6 | -3 | forb | perennial | cut-leaf coneflower |
| <i>Rumex obtusifolius</i> | Polygonaceae | RUMOBT | non-native | 0 | 0 | forb | perennial | bitter dock |
| <i>Sambucus racemosa</i> | Adoxaceae | SAMRAC | native | 3 | 3 | shrub | perennial | red-berried elder |
| <i>Sanguinaria canadensis</i> | Papaveraceae | SANCAA | native | 5 | 3 | forb | perennial | bloodroot |
| <i>Sanicula odorata</i> ; s. <i>gregaria</i> | Apiaceae | SANODO | native | 2 | 0 | forb | perennial | black snakeroot |
| <i>Sassafras albidum</i> | Lauraceae | SASALB | native | 5 | 3 | tree | perennial | sassafras |
| <i>Saururus cernuus</i> | Saururaceae | SAUCER | native | 9 | -5 | forb | perennial | lizards-tail |
| <i>Scutellaria lateriflora</i> | Lamiaceae | SCULAT | native | 5 | -5 | forb | perennial | mad-dog skullcap |
| <i>Silene vulgaris</i> | Caryophyllaceae | SILVUL | non-native | 0 | 5 | forb | perennial | bladder campion |
| <i>Smilax ecirrata</i> | Smilacaceae | SMIECI | native | 6 | 5 | forb | perennial | upright carrion-flower |
| <i>Smilax hispida</i> ; s. <i>tamnoides</i> | Smilacaceae | SMIHIS | native | 5 | 0 | vine | perennial | bristly greenbrier |
| <i>Smilax illinoensis</i> | Smilacaceae | SMIILL | native | 4 | 5 | vine | perennial | carrion-flower |
| <i>Solanum dulcamara</i> | Solanaceae | SOLDUL | non-native | 0 | 0 | vine | perennial | bittersweet nightshade |
| <i>Solidago caesia</i> | Asteraceae | SOLCAE | native | 6 | 3 | forb | perennial | bluestem goldenrod |
| <i>Solidago flexicaulis</i> | Asteraceae | SOLFLE | native | 6 | 3 | forb | perennial | zigzag goldenrod |
| <i>Sorbus aucuparia</i> | Rosaceae | SORAUC | non-native | 0 | 5 | tree | perennial | european mountain-ash |
| <i>Staphylea trifolia</i> | Staphyleaceae | STATRI | native | 9 | 0 | shrub | perennial | bladdernut |
| <i>Symphotrichum lateriflorum</i> ; aster l. | Asteraceae | SYMLAT | native | 2 | 0 | forb | perennial | calico aster |
| <i>Symphotrichum ontarionis</i> ; aster o. | Asteraceae | SYMONT | native | 6 | 0 | forb | perennial | lake ontario aster |

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|--------------------------|-----------------|---------|------------|---|----|-------------|-----------|---------------------------------|
| Taraxacum officinale | Asteraceae | TAROFF | non-native | 0 | 3 | forb | perennial | common dandelion |
| Teucrium canadense | Lamiaceae | TEUCAN | native | 4 | -3 | forb | perennial | wood-sage |
| Thalictrum dasycarpum | Ranunculaceae | THADAS | native | 3 | -3 | forb | perennial | purple meadow-rue |
| Thalictrum dioicum | Ranunculaceae | THADIO | native | 6 | 3 | forb | perennial | early meadow-rue |
| Tilia americana | Malvaceae | TILAME | native | 5 | 3 | tree | perennial | basswood |
| Torilis japonica | Apiaceae | TORJAP | non-native | 0 | 3 | forb | annual | hedge-parsley |
| Toxicodendron radicans | Anacardiaceae | TOXRAD | native | 2 | 0 | vine | perennial | poison-ivy |
| Trillium erectum | Trilliaceae | TRIERE | native | 7 | 3 | forb | perennial | stinking benjamin; red trillium |
| Trillium grandiflorum | Trilliaceae | TRIGRA | native | 5 | 3 | forb | perennial | common trillium |
| Tsuga canadensis | Pinaceae | TSUCAN | native | 5 | 3 | tree | perennial | hemlock |
| Ulmus americana | Ulmaceae | ULMAME | native | 1 | -3 | tree | perennial | american elm |
| Ulmus rubra | Ulmaceae | ULMRUB | native | 2 | 0 | tree | perennial | slippery elm |
| Uvularia grandiflora | Convallariaceae | UVUGRA | native | 5 | 5 | forb | perennial | bellwort |
| Veronicastrum virginicum | Plantaginaceae | VERVIR | native | 8 | 0 | forb | perennial | culvers-root |
| Viburnum opulus | Adoxaceae | VIBOPU | non-native | 0 | -3 | shrub | perennial | european highbush-cranberry |
| Vincetoxicum nigrum | Apocynaceae | VINNIG | non-native | 0 | 5 | vine | perennial | black swallow-wort |
| Viola canadensis | Violaceae | VIOCAN | native | 5 | 3 | forb | perennial | canada violet |
| Viola pubescens | Violaceae | VIOPUB | native | 4 | 3 | forb | perennial | yellow violet |
| Viola sororia | Violaceae | VIOSOR | native | 1 | 0 | forb | perennial | common blue violet |
| Vitis riparia | Vitaceae | VITRIP | native | 3 | 0 | vine | perennial | river-bank grape |
| Zanthoxylum americanum | Rutaceae | ZANAME | native | 3 | 3 | shrub | perennial | prickly-ash |

Appendix B:
Floristic Quality Assessment – Ferguson Park

Sumbal Natural Area

07/05/2013

Red Cedar River

Ingham

MI

USA

FQA DB Region:

Michigan

FQA DB Publication Year:

2014

FQA DB Description:

Reznicek, A.A., M.R. Penskar, B.S. Walters, and B.S. Slaughter. 2014. Michigan Floristic Quality Assessment Database. Herbarium, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, MI and Michigan Natural Features Inventory, Michigan State University, Lansing, MI. <http://michiganflora.net>

Practitioner:

Brad Slaughter

Latitude:

42.7147

Longitude:

-84.4271

Weather Notes:

Duration Notes:

Community Type Notes:

Floodplain forest

Other Notes:

Additional survey 17 August 2013.

Private/Public:

Private

Conservatism-Based Metrics:

Total Mean C:

3

Native Mean C:

3.7

Total FQI:

28.6

Native FQI:

32

Adjusted FQI:

33.6

% C value 0:

26.4

% C value 1-3:

27.5

% C value 4-6:

36.3

% C value 7-10:

9.9

Native Tree Mean C:

3.8

Native Shrub Mean C:

4.5

Native Herbaceous Mean C:

3.6

Species Richness:

| | | |
|---------------------|----|--------|
| Total Species: | 91 | |
| Native Species: | 75 | 82.40% |
| Non-native Species: | 16 | 17.60% |

Species Wetness:

| | |
|----------------------|------|
| Mean Wetness: | -0.5 |
| Native Mean Wetness: | -1.2 |

Physiognomy Metrics:

| | | |
|------------|----|--------|
| Tree: | 15 | 16.50% |
| Shrub: | 10 | 11% |
| Vine: | 6 | 6.60% |
| Forb: | 39 | 42.90% |
| Grass: | 7 | 7.70% |
| Sedge: | 11 | 12.10% |
| Rush: | 0 | 0% |
| Fern: | 3 | 3.30% |
| Bryophyte: | 0 | 0% |

Duration Metrics:

| | | |
|-------------------|----|--------|
| Annual: | 4 | 4.40% |
| Perennial: | 83 | 91.20% |
| Biennial: | 4 | 4.40% |
| Native Annual: | 4 | 4.40% |
| Native Perennial: | 70 | 76.90% |
| Native Biennial: | 1 | 1.10% |

Species:

| Scientific Name | Family | Acronym | Native? | C | W | Physiognomy | Duration | Common Name |
|------------------------|---------------|----------------|----------------|----------|----------|--------------------|-----------------|--------------------|
| Acer negundo | Sapindaceae | ACNEG | native | 0 | 0 | tree | perennial | box-elder |
| Acer saccharinum | Sapindaceae | ACESAI | native | 2 | -3 | tree | perennial | silver maple |
| Alliaria petiolata | Brassicaceae | ALLPET | non-native | 0 | 3 | forb | biennial | garlic mustard |
| Allium canadense | Alliaceae | ALLCAN | native | 4 | 3 | forb | perennial | wild garlic |
| Ambrosia trifida | Asteraceae | AMBTRI | native | 0 | 0 | forb | annual | giant ragweed |
| Arctium minus | Asteraceae | ARCMIN | non-native | 0 | 3 | forb | biennial | common burdock |

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|---|------------------|---------|------------|---|----|-------------|-----------|----------------------------|
| <i>Arisaema dracontium</i> | Araceae | ARIDRA | native | 8 | -3 | forb | perennial | green dragon |
| <i>Arisaema triphyllum</i> | Araceae | ARITRI | native | 5 | 0 | forb | perennial | jack-in-the-pulpit |
| <i>Asarum canadense</i> | Aristolochiaceae | ASACAN | native | 5 | 5 | forb | perennial | wild-ginger |
| <i>Berberis thunbergii</i> | Berberidaceae | BERTHU | non-native | 0 | 3 | shrub | perennial | japanese barberry |
| <i>Carex crinita</i> | Cyperaceae | CXCRIN | native | 4 | -5 | sedge | perennial | sedge |
| <i>Carex cristatella</i> | Cyperaceae | CXCRIS | native | 3 | -3 | sedge | perennial | sedge |
| <i>Carex davisii</i> | Cyperaceae | CXDAVI | native | 7 | 0 | sedge | perennial | davis sedge |
| <i>Carex grayi</i> | Cyperaceae | CXGRAY | native | 6 | -3 | sedge | perennial | sedge |
| <i>Carex grisea</i> ; c. <i>amphibola</i> | Cyperaceae | CXGRIS | native | 3 | 0 | sedge | perennial | sedge |
| <i>Carex lupulina</i> | Cyperaceae | CXLUPA | native | 4 | -5 | sedge | perennial | sedge |
| <i>Carex muskingumensis</i> | Cyperaceae | CXMUSK | native | 6 | -5 | sedge | perennial | sedge |
| <i>Carex radiata</i> ; c. <i>rosea</i> | Cyperaceae | CXRADI | native | 2 | 0 | sedge | perennial | straight-styled wood sedge |
| <i>Carex scoparia</i> | Cyperaceae | CXSCOP | native | 4 | -3 | sedge | perennial | sedge |
| <i>Carex stipata</i> | Cyperaceae | CXSTIP | native | 1 | -5 | sedge | perennial | sedge |
| <i>Carex vulpinoidea</i> | Cyperaceae | CXVULP | native | 1 | -5 | sedge | perennial | sedge |
| <i>Carya ovata</i> | Juglandaceae | CAROVA | native | 5 | 3 | tree | perennial | shagbark hickory |
| <i>Catalpa speciosa</i> | Bignoniaceae | CATSPE | non-native | 0 | 3 | tree | perennial | northern catalpa |
| <i>Celtis occidentalis</i> | Cannabaceae | CELOCC | native | 5 | 0 | tree | perennial | hackberry |
| <i>Cinna arundinacea</i> | Poaceae | CINARU | native | 7 | -3 | grass | perennial | wood reedgrass |
| <i>Circaea canadensis</i> ; c. <i>lutetiana</i> | Onagraceae | CIRCAN | native | 2 | 3 | forb | perennial | enchanters-nightshade |
| <i>Cirsium arvense</i> | Asteraceae | CIRARV | non-native | 0 | 3 | forb | perennial | canada thistle |
| <i>Convallaria majalis</i> | Convallariaceae | CONMAJ | non-native | 0 | 5 | forb | perennial | lily-of-the-valley |
| <i>Crataegus mollis</i> | Rosaceae | CRAMOL | native | 2 | 0 | tree | perennial | hawthorn |
| <i>Diarrhena obovata</i> ; d. <i>americana</i> | Poaceae | DIAOBO | native | 9 | -3 | grass | perennial | beak grass |
| <i>Dichanthelium clandestinum</i> ; <i>panicum</i> c. | Poaceae | DICCLA | native | 3 | -3 | grass | perennial | panic grass |
| <i>Dioscorea villosa</i> ; <i>dioscorea villosa</i> | Dioscoreaceae | DIOVIL | native | 4 | 0 | forb | perennial | wild yam |
| <i>Dryopteris carthusiana</i> | Dryopteridaceae | DRYCAR | native | 5 | -3 | fern | perennial | spinulose woodfern |
| <i>Echinocystis lobata</i> | Cucurbitaceae | ECHLOB | native | 2 | -3 | vine | annual | wild-cucumber |
| <i>Elymus riparius</i> | Poaceae | ELYRIP | native | 8 | -3 | grass | perennial | riverbank wild-rye |
| <i>Elymus virginicus</i> | Poaceae | ELYVIR | native | 4 | -3 | grass | perennial | virginia wild-rye |
| <i>Equisetum arvense</i> | Equisetaceae | EQUARV | native | 0 | 0 | fern | perennial | common horsetail |
| <i>Fraxinus pennsylvanica</i> | Oleaceae | FRAPEN | native | 2 | -3 | tree | perennial | red ash |
| <i>Galium aparine</i> | Rubiaceae | GALAPA | native | 0 | 3 | forb | annual | annual bedstraw |
| <i>Galium asprellum</i> | Rubiaceae | GALASP | native | 5 | -5 | vine | perennial | rough bedstraw |
| <i>Galium obtusum</i> | Rubiaceae | GALOBT | native | 5 | -3 | forb | perennial | wild madder |
| <i>Geranium maculatum</i> | Geraniaceae | GERMAC | native | 4 | 3 | forb | perennial | wild geranium |

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| <i>Geum canadense</i> | Rosaceae | GEUCAN | native | 1 | 0 | forb | perennial | white avens |
| <i>Glechoma hederacea</i> | Lamiaceae | GLEHED | non-native | 0 | 3 | forb | perennial | ground-ivy |
| <i>Glyceria striata</i> | Poaceae | GLYSTR | native | 4 | -5 | grass | perennial | fowl manna grass |
| <i>Hackelia virginiana</i> | Boraginaceae | HACVIR | native | 1 | 3 | forb | biennial | beggars lice |
| <i>Hesperis matronalis</i> | Brassicaceae | HESMAT | non-native | 0 | 3 | forb | perennial | dames rocket |
| <i>Iris virginica</i> | Iridaceae | IRIVIR | native | 5 | -5 | forb | perennial | southern blue flag |
| <i>Juglans nigra</i> | Juglandaceae | JUGNIG | native | 5 | 3 | tree | perennial | black walnut |
| <i>Laportea canadensis</i> | Urticaceae | LAPCAN | native | 4 | -3 | forb | perennial | wood nettle |
| <i>Lemna minor</i> | Araceae | LEMMIN | native | 5 | -5 | forb | perennial | common duckweed |
| <i>Ligustrum vulgare</i> | Oleaceae | LIGVUL | non-native | 0 | 3 | shrub | perennial | common privet |
| <i>Lonicera maackii</i> | Caprifoliaceae | LONMAA | non-native | 0 | 5 | shrub | perennial | amur honeysuckle |
| <i>Lonicera morrowii</i> | Caprifoliaceae | LONMOR | non-native | 0 | 3 | shrub | perennial | morrow honeysuckle |
| <i>Lycopus virginicus</i> | Lamiaceae | LYCVIR | native | 8 | -5 | forb | perennial | bugle weed |
| <i>Lysimachia ciliata</i> | Myrsinaceae | LYSCIL | native | 4 | -3 | forb | perennial | fringed loosestrife |
| <i>Lysimachia nummularia</i> | Myrsinaceae | LYSNUM | non-native | 0 | -3 | forb | perennial | moneywort |
| <i>Menispermum canadense</i> | Menispermaceae | MENCAE | native | 5 | 0 | vine | perennial | moonseed |
| <i>Onoclea sensibilis</i> | Onocleaceae | ONOSEN | native | 2 | -3 | fern | perennial | sensitive fern |
| <i>Oxalis stricta</i> ; <i>o. fontana</i> | Oxalidaceae | OXASTR | native | 0 | 3 | forb | perennial | yellow wood-sorrel |
| <i>Parthenocissus quinquefolia</i> | Vitaceae | PARQUI | native | 5 | 3 | vine | perennial | virginia creeper |
| <i>Persicaria lapathifolia</i> ; <i>polygonum l.</i> | Polygonaceae | PERLAP | native | 0 | -3 | forb | annual | nodding smartweed |
| <i>Persicaria virginiana</i> ; <i>polygonum v.</i> | Polygonaceae | PERVIR | native | 4 | 0 | forb | perennial | jumpseed |
| <i>Phalaris arundinacea</i> | Poaceae | PHAARU | native | 0 | -3 | grass | perennial | reed canary grass |
| <i>Populus deltoides</i> | Salicaceae | POPDEL | native | 1 | 0 | tree | perennial | cottonwood |
| <i>Prunella vulgaris</i> | Lamiaceae | PRUVUL | native | 0 | 0 | forb | perennial | self-heal |
| <i>Prunus virginiana</i> | Rosaceae | PRUVIR | native | 2 | 3 | shrub | perennial | choke cherry |
| <i>Quercus bicolor</i> | Fagaceae | QUEBIC | native | 8 | -3 | tree | perennial | swamp white oak |
| <i>Quercus palustris</i> | Fagaceae | QUEPAL | native | 8 | -3 | tree | perennial | pin oak |
| <i>Quercus rubra</i> | Fagaceae | QUERUB | native | 5 | 3 | tree | perennial | red oak |
| <i>Ranunculus hispidus</i> | Ranunculaceae | RANHIS | native | 5 | 0 | forb | perennial | swamp buttercup |
| <i>Rhamnus cathartica</i> | Rhamnaceae | RHACAT | non-native | 0 | 0 | tree | perennial | common buckthorn |
| <i>Ribes americanum</i> | Grossulariaceae | RIBAME | native | 6 | -3 | shrub | perennial | wild black currant |
| <i>Rosa multiflora</i> | Rosaceae | ROSMUL | non-native | 0 | 3 | shrub | perennial | multiflora rose |
| <i>Rubus occidentalis</i> | Rosaceae | RUBOCC | native | 1 | 5 | shrub | perennial | black raspberry |
| <i>Scutellaria lateriflora</i> | Lamiaceae | SCULAT | native | 5 | -5 | forb | perennial | mad-dog skullcap |
| <i>Solidago gigantea</i> | Asteraceae | SOLGIG | native | 3 | -3 | forb | perennial | late goldenrod |
| <i>Staphylea trifolia</i> | Staphyleaceae | STATRI | native | 9 | 0 | shrub | perennial | bladdernut |

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|--------------------------------------|------------------|----------------|----------------|----------|----------|--------------------|-----------------|-----------------------------|
| Symphotrichum lateriflorum; aster l. | Asteraceae | SYMLAT | native | 2 | 0 | forb | perennial | calico aster |
| Teucrium canadense | Lamiaceae | TEUCAN | native | 4 | -3 | forb | perennial | wood-sage |
| Thalictrum dasycarpum | Ranunculaceae | THADAS | native | 3 | -3 | forb | perennial | purple meadow-rue |
| Tilia americana | Malvaceae | TILAME | native | 5 | 3 | tree | perennial | basswood |
| Toxicodendron radicans | Anacardiaceae | TOXRAD | native | 2 | 0 | vine | perennial | poison-ivy |
| Ulmus rubra | Ulmaceae | ULMRUB | native | 2 | 0 | tree | perennial | slippery elm |
| Urtica dioica | Urticaceae | URTDIO | native | 1 | 0 | forb | perennial | stinging nettle |
| Verbascum thapsus | Scrophulariaceae | VERTHA | non-native | 0 | 5 | forb | biennial | common mullein |
| Verbena urticifolia | Verbenaceae | VERURT | native | 4 | 0 | forb | perennial | white vervain |
| Viburnum opulus | Adoxaceae | VIBOPU | non-native | 0 | -3 | shrub | perennial | european highbush-cranberry |
| Viola sororia | Violaceae | VIOSOR | native | 1 | 0 | forb | perennial | common blue violet |
| Viola striata | Violaceae | VIOSTR | native | 5 | -3 | forb | perennial | cream violet |
| Vitis riparia | Vitaceae | VITRIP | native | 3 | 0 | vine | perennial | river-bank grape |

Appendix C:
Floristic Quality Assessment – Van Atta Road Natural Area

Red Cedar River - Riverdowns Natural Area, Legg Park, Harris Nature Center, Eastgate Park

06/28/2013

Red Cedar River

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FQA DB Region:

Michigan

FQA DB Publication Year:

2014

FQA DB Description:

Reznicek, A.A., M.R. Penskar, B.S. Walters, and B.S. Slaughter. 2014. Michigan Floristic Quality Assessment Database. Herbarium, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, MI and Michigan Natural Features Inventory, Michigan State University, Lansing, MI. <http://michiganflora.net>

Practitioner:

Brad Slaughter

Latitude:

42.6967

Longitude:

-84.3786

Weather Notes:

Duration Notes:

Community Type Notes:

Primarily floodplain forest, with areas of mesic southern forest, dry-mesic southern forest, and old field.

Other Notes:

Additional surveys 27 June, 1 July, 14 August. Also noted: *Carex* spp., *Prenanthes* sp., *Dichanthelium* sp., *Bidens* sp., *Muhlenbergia* sp., *Scrophularia* sp., *Bidens* sp., *Stellaria* sp.

Private/Public:

Public

Conservatism-Based Metrics:

| | |
|---------------------------|------|
| Total Mean C: | 3.3 |
| Native Mean C: | 4.2 |
| Total FQI: | 54.4 |
| Native FQI: | 61.6 |
| Adjusted FQI: | 37.3 |
| % C value 0: | 24.3 |
| % C value 1-3: | 25 |
| % C value 4-6: | 40.1 |
| % C value 7-10: | 10.7 |
| Native Tree Mean C: | 4.2 |
| Native Shrub Mean C: | 4.2 |
| Native Herbaceous Mean C: | 4.2 |

Species Richness:

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|---------------------|-----|-----|
| Total Species: | 272 | |
| Native Species: | 215 | 79% |
| Non-native Species: | 57 | 21% |

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| Species Wetness: | |
| Mean Wetness: | 1 |
| Native Mean Wetness: | 0.5 |

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| Physiognomy Metrics: | | |
| Tree: | 39 | 14.30% |
| Shrub: | 30 | 11% |
| Vine: | 11 | 4% |
| Forb: | 143 | 52.60% |
| Grass: | 23 | 8.50% |
| Sedge: | 20 | 7.40% |
| Rush: | 0 | 0% |
| Fern: | 6 | 2.20% |
| Bryophyte: | 0 | 0% |

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| Duration Metrics: | | |
| Annual: | 16 | 5.90% |
| Perennial: | 240 | 88.20% |
| Biennial: | 16 | 5.90% |
| Native Annual: | 11 | 4% |
| Native Perennial: | 199 | 73.20% |
| Native Biennial: | 5 | 1.80% |

Species:

| Scientific Name | Family | Acronym | Native? | C | W | Physiognomy | Duration | Common Name |
|--|---------------|---------|------------|---|----|-------------|-----------|-------------------------|
| Acer negundo | Sapindaceae | ACENEG | native | 0 | 0 | tree | perennial | box-elder |
| Acer nigrum; a. saccharum | Sapindaceae | ACENIG | native | 4 | 3 | tree | perennial | black maple |
| Acer rubrum | Sapindaceae | ACERUB | native | 1 | 0 | tree | perennial | red maple |
| Acer saccharinum | Sapindaceae | ACESAI | native | 2 | -3 | tree | perennial | silver maple |
| Acer saccharum | Sapindaceae | ACESAU | native | 5 | 3 | tree | perennial | sugar maple |
| Achillea millefolium | Asteraceae | ACHMIL | native | 1 | 3 | forb | perennial | yarrow |
| Acorus calamus | Acoraceae | ACOCAL | non-native | 0 | -5 | forb | perennial | calamus |
| Actaea pachypoda | Ranunculaceae | ACTPAC | native | 7 | 5 | forb | perennial | dolls-eyes |
| Agastache nepetoides | Lamiaceae | AGANEP | native | 5 | 3 | forb | perennial | yellow giant hyssop |
| Agrimonia gryposepala | Rosaceae | AGRGRY | native | 2 | 3 | forb | perennial | tall agrimony |
| Alisma subcordatum; a. plantago-aquatica | Alismataceae | ALISUB | native | 1 | -5 | forb | perennial | southern water-plantain |
| Alliaria petiolata | Brassicaceae | ALLPET | non-native | 0 | 3 | forb | biennial | garlic mustard |

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| <i>Allium tricoccum</i> | Alliaceae | ALLTRI | native | 5 | 3 | forb | perennial | wild leek |
| <i>Ambrosia artemisiifolia</i> | Asteraceae | AMBART | native | 0 | 3 | forb | annual | common ragweed |
| <i>Ambrosia trifida</i> | Asteraceae | AMBTRI | native | 0 | 0 | forb | annual | giant ragweed |
| <i>Amelanchier interior</i> | Rosaceae | AMEINT | native | 4 | 5 | shrub | perennial | serviceberry |
| <i>Amphicarpaea bracteata</i> | Fabaceae | AMPBRA | native | 5 | 0 | vine | annual | hog-peanut |
| <i>Anemone canadensis</i> | Ranunculaceae | ANECAN | native | 4 | -3 | forb | perennial | canada anemone |
| <i>Anemone quinquefolia</i> | Ranunculaceae | ANEQUI | native | 5 | 3 | forb | perennial | wood anemone |
| <i>Anemone virginiana</i> | Ranunculaceae | ANEVIR | native | 3 | 3 | forb | perennial | thimbleweed |
| <i>Antennaria parlinii</i> | Asteraceae | ANTPAL | native | 2 | 5 | forb | perennial | smooth pussytoes |
| <i>Apios americana</i> | Fabaceae | APIAME | native | 3 | -3 | vine | perennial | groundnut |
| <i>Apocynum cannabinum; a. sibiricum</i> | Apocynaceae | APOCAN | native | 3 | 0 | forb | perennial | indian-hemp |
| <i>Aquilegia canadensis</i> | Ranunculaceae | AQUCAN | native | 5 | 3 | forb | perennial | wild columbine |
| <i>Arisaema dracontium</i> | Araceae | ARIDRA | native | 8 | -3 | forb | perennial | green dragon |
| <i>Arisaema triphyllum</i> | Araceae | ARITRI | native | 5 | 0 | forb | perennial | jack-in-the-pulpit |
| <i>Asarum canadense</i> | Aristolochiaceae | ASACAN | native | 5 | 5 | forb | perennial | wild-ginger |
| <i>Asclepias syriaca</i> | Apocynaceae | ASCSYR | native | 1 | 5 | forb | perennial | common milkweed |
| <i>Asplenium platyneuron</i> | Aspleniaceae | ASPPLA | native | 2 | 3 | fern | perennial | ebony spleenwort |
| <i>Berberis thunbergii</i> | Berberidaceae | BERTHU | non-native | 0 | 3 | shrub | perennial | japanese barberry |
| <i>Berteroa incana</i> | Brassicaceae | BERINC | non-native | 0 | 5 | forb | annual | hoary alyssum |
| <i>Blephilia hirsuta</i> | Lamiaceae | BLEHIR | native | 8 | 3 | forb | perennial | wood mint |
| <i>Boechera laevigata; arabis l.</i> | Brassicaceae | BOELAE | native | 5 | 5 | forb | biennial | smooth bank cress |
| <i>Brachyelytrum erectum</i> | Poaceae | BRAERE | native | 7 | 5 | grass | perennial | long-awned wood grass |
| <i>Bromus ciliatus</i> | Poaceae | BROCIL | native | 6 | -3 | grass | perennial | fringed brome |
| <i>Bromus inermis</i> | Poaceae | BROINE | non-native | 0 | 5 | grass | perennial | smooth brome |
| <i>Campanulastrum americanum; campanula a.</i> | Campanulaceae | CAMAME | native | 8 | 0 | forb | biennial | tall bellflower |
| <i>Carex albursina</i> | Cyperaceae | CXALBU | native | 5 | 5 | sedge | perennial | sedge |
| <i>Carex blanda</i> | Cyperaceae | CXBLAN | native | 1 | 0 | sedge | perennial | sedge |
| <i>Carex cephalophora</i> | Cyperaceae | CXCEPP | native | 3 | 3 | sedge | perennial | sedge |
| <i>Carex crinita</i> | Cyperaceae | CXCRIN | native | 4 | -5 | sedge | perennial | sedge |
| <i>Carex cristatella</i> | Cyperaceae | CXCRIS | native | 3 | -3 | sedge | perennial | sedge |
| <i>Carex davisii</i> | Cyperaceae | CXDAVI | native | 7 | 0 | sedge | perennial | davis sedge |
| <i>Carex frankii</i> | Cyperaceae | CXFRAN | native | 4 | -5 | sedge | perennial | franks sedge |
| <i>Carex grayi</i> | Cyperaceae | CXGRAY | native | 6 | -3 | sedge | perennial | sedge |
| <i>Carex grisea; c. amphibola</i> | Cyperaceae | CXGRIS | native | 3 | 0 | sedge | perennial | sedge |
| <i>Carex hirtifolia</i> | Cyperaceae | CXHIRI | native | 5 | 3 | sedge | perennial | sedge |
| <i>Carex jamesii</i> | Cyperaceae | CXJAME | native | 8 | 5 | sedge | perennial | james sedge |
| <i>Carex lacustris</i> | Cyperaceae | CXLACU | native | 6 | -5 | sedge | perennial | sedge |
| <i>Carex laxiflora</i> | Cyperaceae | CXLAXF | native | 8 | 0 | sedge | perennial | sedge |
| <i>Carex lupulina</i> | Cyperaceae | CXLUPA | native | 4 | -5 | sedge | perennial | sedge |
| <i>Carex muskingumensis</i> | Cyperaceae | CXMUSK | native | 6 | -5 | sedge | perennial | sedge |

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| Carex pensylvanica | Cyperaceae | CXPENS | native | 4 | 5 | sedge | perennial | sedge |
| Carex rosea; c. convoluta | Cyperaceae | CXROSE | native | 2 | 5 | sedge | perennial | curly-styled wood sedge |
| Carex sparganioides | Cyperaceae | CXSPAR | native | 5 | 3 | sedge | perennial | sedge |
| Carex sprengeii | Cyperaceae | CXSPRE | native | 5 | 0 | sedge | perennial | sedge |
| Carpinus caroliniana | Betulaceae | CARCAO | native | 6 | 0 | tree | perennial | blue-beech |
| Carya cordiformis | Juglandaceae | CARCOR | native | 5 | 0 | tree | perennial | bitternut hickory |
| Carya glabra | Juglandaceae | CARGLA | native | 5 | 3 | tree | perennial | pignut hickory |
| Caulophyllum thalictroides | Berberidaceae | CAUTHA | native | 5 | 5 | forb | perennial | blue cohosh |
| Celtis occidentalis | Cannabaceae | CELOCC | native | 5 | 0 | tree | perennial | hackberry |
| Centaurea stoebe; c. maculosa | Asteraceae | CENSTO | non-native | 0 | 5 | forb | biennial | spotted knapweed |
| Cephalanthus occidentalis | Rubiaceae | CEPOCC | native | 7 | -5 | shrub | perennial | buttonbush |
| Chelidonium majus | Papaveraceae | CHEMAJ | non-native | 0 | 5 | forb | biennial | celandine |
| Cicuta maculata | Apiaceae | CICMAC | native | 4 | -5 | forb | biennial | water hemlock |
| Cinna arundinacea | Poaceae | CINARU | native | 7 | -3 | grass | perennial | wood reedgrass |
| Circaea canadensis; c. lutetiana | Onagraceae | CIRCAN | native | 2 | 3 | forb | perennial | enchanters-nightshade |
| Cirsium arvense | Asteraceae | CIRARV | non-native | 0 | 3 | forb | perennial | canada thistle |
| Cirsium vulgare | Asteraceae | CIRVUL | non-native | 0 | 3 | forb | biennial | bull thistle |
| Conium maculatum | Apiaceae | CONMAC | non-native | 0 | -3 | forb | biennial | poison-hemlock |
| Cornus alternifolia | Cornaceae | CORALT | native | 5 | 3 | tree | perennial | alternate-leaved dogwood |
| Cornus florida | Cornaceae | CORFLO | native | 8 | 3 | tree | perennial | flowering dogwood |
| Cornus foemina | Cornaceae | CORFOE | native | 1 | 0 | shrub | perennial | gray dogwood |
| Crataegus mollis | Rosaceae | CRAMOL | native | 2 | 0 | tree | perennial | hawthorn |
| Crataegus punctata; c. nitidula | Rosaceae | CRAPUN | native | 1 | 3 | tree | perennial | dotted hawthorn |
| Cryptotaenia canadensis | Apiaceae | CRYCAN | native | 2 | 0 | forb | perennial | honewort |
| Cuscuta gronovii | Convolvulaceae | CUSGRO | native | 3 | -3 | vine | annual | common dodder |
| Dactylis glomerata | Poaceae | DACGLO | non-native | 0 | 3 | grass | perennial | orchard grass |
| Danthonia spicata | Poaceae | DANSPI | native | 4 | 5 | grass | perennial | poverty grass; oatgrass |
| Daucus carota | Apiaceae | DAUCAR | non-native | 0 | 5 | forb | biennial | queen-annes-lace |
| Decodon verticillatus | Lythraceae | DECVER | native | 7 | -5 | shrub | perennial | whorled or swamp loosestrife |
| Dianthus armeria | Caryophyllaceae | DIAARM | non-native | 0 | 5 | forb | annual | deptford pink |
| Diarrhena obovata; d. americana | Poaceae | DIAOBO | native | 9 | -3 | grass | perennial | beak grass |
| Dichanthelium clandestinum; panicum c. | Poaceae | DICCLA | native | 3 | -3 | grass | perennial | panic grass |
| Dioscorea villosa; dioscorea villosa | Dioscoreaceae | DIOVIL | native | 4 | 0 | forb | perennial | wild yam |
| Dipsacus laciniatus | Dipsacaceae | DIPLAC | non-native | 0 | 3 | forb | biennial | cut-leaf teasel |
| Dryopteris intermedia | Dryopteridaceae | DRYINT | native | 5 | 0 | fern | perennial | evergreen woodfern |
| Echinocystis lobata | Cucurbitaceae | ECHLOB | native | 2 | -3 | vine | annual | wild-cucumber |
| Elaeagnus umbellata | Elaeagnaceae | ELAUMB | non-native | 0 | 3 | shrub | perennial | autumn-olive |
| Elymus hystrix; hystrix patula | Poaceae | ELYHYS | native | 5 | 3 | grass | perennial | bottlebrush grass |
| Elymus repens; agropyron r. | Poaceae | ELYREP | non-native | 0 | 3 | grass | perennial | quack grass |
| Elymus riparius | Poaceae | ELYRIP | native | 8 | -3 | grass | perennial | riverbank wild-rye |

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| <i>Elymus virginicus</i> | Poaceae | ELYVIR | native | 4 | -3 | grass | perennial | virginia wild-rye |
| <i>Epifagus virginiana</i> | Orobanchaceae | EPIVIR | native | 10 | 5 | forb | annual | beech-drops |
| <i>Epipactis helleborine</i> | Orchidaceae | EPIHEL | non-native | 0 | 0 | forb | perennial | helleborine |
| <i>Equisetum hyemale</i> | Equisetaceae | EQUHYE | native | 2 | 0 | fern | perennial | scouring rush |
| <i>Eragrostis hypnoides</i> | Poaceae | ERAHYP | native | 8 | -5 | grass | annual | creeping love grass |
| <i>Erigeron strigosus</i> | Asteraceae | ERISTR | native | 4 | 3 | forb | perennial | daisy fleabane |
| <i>Euonymus obovatus</i> | Celastraceae | EUOOBO | native | 5 | 3 | shrub | perennial | running strawberry-bush |
| <i>Eurybia macrophylla</i> ; aster m. | Asteraceae | EURMAC | native | 4 | 5 | forb | perennial | big-leaved aster |
| <i>Euthamia graminifolia</i> | Asteraceae | EUTGRA | native | 3 | 0 | forb | perennial | grass-leaved goldenrod |
| <i>Eutrochium purpureum</i> ; eupatorium p. | Asteraceae | EUTPUR | native | 5 | 0 | forb | perennial | green-stemmed joe-pye-weed |
| <i>Fagus grandifolia</i> | Fagaceae | FAGGRA | native | 6 | 3 | tree | perennial | american beech |
| <i>Festuca subverticillata</i> ; f. obtusa | Poaceae | FESSUB | native | 5 | 3 | grass | perennial | nodding fescue |
| <i>Fragaria virginiana</i> | Rosaceae | FRAVIR | native | 2 | 3 | forb | perennial | wild strawberry |
| <i>Fraxinus americana</i> | Oleaceae | FRAAME | native | 5 | 3 | tree | perennial | white ash |
| <i>Fraxinus pennsylvanica</i> | Oleaceae | FRAPEN | native | 2 | -3 | tree | perennial | red ash |
| <i>Galium aparine</i> | Rubiaceae | GALAPA | native | 0 | 3 | forb | annual | annual bedstraw |
| <i>Galium circaezans</i> | Rubiaceae | GALCIR | native | 4 | 3 | forb | perennial | white wild licorice |
| <i>Galium obtusum</i> | Rubiaceae | GALOBT | native | 5 | -3 | forb | perennial | wild madder |
| <i>Galium odoratum</i> | Rubiaceae | GALODO | non-native | 0 | 5 | forb | perennial | sweet woodruff |
| <i>Galium triflorum</i> | Rubiaceae | GALTRR | native | 4 | 3 | forb | perennial | fragrant bedstraw |
| <i>Geranium maculatum</i> | Geraniaceae | GERMAC | native | 4 | 3 | forb | perennial | wild geranium |
| <i>Geum aleppicum</i> | Rosaceae | GEUALE | native | 3 | 0 | forb | perennial | yellow avens |
| <i>Geum canadense</i> | Rosaceae | GEUCAN | native | 1 | 0 | forb | perennial | white avens |
| <i>Glyceria striata</i> | Poaceae | GLYSTR | native | 4 | -5 | grass | perennial | fowl manna grass |
| <i>Hackelia virginiana</i> | Boraginaceae | HACVIR | native | 1 | 3 | forb | biennial | beggars lice |
| <i>Hamamelis virginiana</i> | Hamamelidaceae | HAMVIR | native | 5 | 3 | shrub | perennial | witch-hazel |
| <i>Hedera helix</i> | Araliaceae | HEDHEL | non-native | 0 | 3 | vine | perennial | english ivy |
| <i>Helianthus giganteus</i> | Asteraceae | HELGIG | native | 5 | -3 | forb | perennial | tall sunflower |
| <i>Hesperis matronalis</i> | Brassicaceae | HESMAT | non-native | 0 | 3 | forb | perennial | dames rocket |
| <i>Hieracium caespitosum</i> | Asteraceae | HIECAE | non-native | 0 | 5 | forb | perennial | king devil |
| <i>Hydrophyllum virginianum</i> | Boraginaceae | HYDVIR | native | 4 | 0 | forb | perennial | virginia waterleaf |
| <i>Hylodesmum glutinosum</i> ; desmodium g. | Fabaceae | HYLGLU | native | 5 | 5 | forb | perennial | clustered-leaved tick-trefoil |
| <i>Hylodesmum nudiflorum</i> ; desmodium n. | Fabaceae | HYLNUD | native | 7 | 5 | forb | perennial | naked tick-trefoil |
| <i>Hypericum perforatum</i> | Hypericaceae | HYPPER | non-native | 0 | 5 | forb | perennial | common st. johns-wort |
| <i>Impatiens capensis</i> | Balsaminaceae | IMPCAP | native | 2 | -3 | forb | annual | spotted touch-me-not |
| <i>Impatiens pallida</i> | Balsaminaceae | IMPPAL | native | 6 | -3 | forb | annual | pale touch-me-not |
| <i>Iris pseudacorus</i> | Iridaceae | IRIPSE | non-native | 0 | -5 | forb | perennial | yellow flag |
| <i>Iris virginica</i> | Iridaceae | IRIVIR | native | 5 | -5 | forb | perennial | southern blue flag |
| <i>Juglans nigra</i> | Juglandaceae | JUGNIG | native | 5 | 3 | tree | perennial | black walnut |
| <i>Juncus tenuis</i> | Juncaceae | JUNTEN | native | 1 | 0 | forb | perennial | path rush |

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|---|-----------------|---------|------------|---|----|-------------|-----------|---------------------------|
| <i>Lactuca biennis</i> | Asteraceae | LACBIE | native | 2 | 0 | forb | biennial | tall blue lettuce |
| <i>Laportea canadensis</i> | Urticaceae | LAPCAN | native | 4 | -3 | forb | perennial | wood nettle |
| <i>Leersia oryzoides</i> | Poaceae | LEEORY | native | 3 | -5 | grass | perennial | cut grass |
| <i>Leersia virginica</i> | Poaceae | LEEVIR | native | 5 | -3 | grass | perennial | white grass |
| <i>Lemna minor</i> | Araceae | LEMMIN | native | 5 | -5 | forb | perennial | common duckweed |
| <i>Leonurus cardiaca</i> | Lamiaceae | LEOCAR | non-native | 0 | 5 | forb | perennial | motherwort |
| <i>Leucanthemum vulgare</i> ; <i>chrysanthemum leucanthemum</i> | Asteraceae | LEUVUL | non-native | 0 | 5 | forb | perennial | ox-eye daisy |
| <i>Ligustrum vulgare</i> | Oleaceae | LIGVUL | non-native | 0 | 3 | shrub | perennial | common privet |
| <i>Lindera benzoin</i> | Lauraceae | LINBEN | native | 7 | -3 | shrub | perennial | spicebush |
| <i>Liriodendron tulipifera</i> | Magnoliaceae | LIRTUL | native | 9 | 3 | tree | perennial | tulip tree |
| <i>Lobelia cardinalis</i> | Campanulaceae | LOBCAR | native | 7 | -5 | forb | perennial | cardinal-flower |
| <i>Lonicera maackii</i> | Caprifoliaceae | LONMAA | non-native | 0 | 5 | shrub | perennial | amur honeysuckle |
| <i>Lonicera morrowii</i> | Caprifoliaceae | LONMOR | non-native | 0 | 3 | shrub | perennial | morrow honeysuckle |
| <i>Lonicera tatarica</i> | Caprifoliaceae | LONTAT | non-native | 0 | 3 | shrub | perennial | tartarian honeysuckle |
| <i>Luzula multiflora</i> | Juncaceae | LUZMUL | native | 5 | 3 | forb | perennial | common wood rush |
| <i>Lycopus rubellus</i> | Lamiaceae | LYCRUB | native | 8 | -5 | forb | perennial | stalked water horehound |
| <i>Lycopus virginicus</i> | Lamiaceae | LYCVIR | native | 8 | -5 | forb | perennial | bugle weed |
| <i>Lysimachia ciliata</i> | Myrsinaceae | LYSCIL | native | 4 | -3 | forb | perennial | fringed loosestrife |
| <i>Lysimachia nummularia</i> | Myrsinaceae | LYSNUM | non-native | 0 | -3 | forb | perennial | moneywort |
| <i>Maianthemum canadense</i> | Convallariaceae | MAICAN | native | 4 | 3 | forb | perennial | canada mayflower |
| <i>Maianthemum racemosum</i> ; <i>smilacina r.</i> | Convallariaceae | MAIRAC | native | 5 | 3 | forb | perennial | false spikenard |
| <i>Maianthemum stellatum</i> ; <i>smilacina s.</i> | Convallariaceae | MAISTE | native | 5 | 0 | forb | perennial | starry false solomon-seal |
| <i>Malus pumila</i> | Rosaceae | MALPUM | non-native | 0 | 5 | tree | perennial | apple |
| <i>Matteuccia struthiopteris</i> | Onocleaceae | MATSTR | native | 3 | 0 | fern | perennial | ostrich fern |
| <i>Medicago lupulina</i> | Fabaceae | MEDLUP | non-native | 0 | 3 | forb | annual | black medick |
| <i>Melilotus officinalis</i> | Fabaceae | MELLOF | non-native | 0 | 3 | forb | biennial | yellow sweet-clover |
| <i>Menispermum canadense</i> | Menispermaceae | MENCAE | native | 5 | 0 | vine | perennial | moonseed |
| <i>Mimulus ringens</i> | Phrymaceae | MIMRIN | native | 5 | -5 | forb | perennial | monkey-flower |
| <i>Monarda fistulosa</i> | Lamiaceae | MONFIS | native | 2 | 3 | forb | perennial | wild-bergamot |
| <i>Nepeta cataria</i> | Lamiaceae | NEPCAT | non-native | 0 | 3 | forb | perennial | catnip |
| <i>Onoclea sensibilis</i> | Onocleaceae | ONOSEN | native | 2 | -3 | fern | perennial | sensitive fern |
| <i>Osmorhiza claytonii</i> | Apiaceae | OSMCLI | native | 4 | 3 | forb | perennial | hairy sweet-cicely |
| <i>Osmorhiza longistylis</i> | Apiaceae | OSMLON | native | 3 | 3 | forb | perennial | smooth sweet-cicely |
| <i>Ostrya virginiana</i> | Betulaceae | OSTVIR | native | 5 | 3 | tree | perennial | ironwood; hop-hornbeam |
| <i>Oxalis stricta</i> ; <i>o. fontana</i> | Oxalidaceae | OXASTR | native | 0 | 3 | forb | perennial | yellow wood-sorrel |
| <i>Parthenocissus quinquefolia</i> | Vitaceae | PARQUI | native | 5 | 3 | vine | perennial | virginia creeper |
| <i>Persicaria virginiana</i> ; <i>polygonum v.</i> | Polygonaceae | PERVIR | native | 4 | 0 | forb | perennial | jumpseed |
| <i>Phalaris arundinacea</i> | Poaceae | PHAARU | native | 0 | -3 | grass | perennial | reed canary grass |
| <i>Phleum pratense</i> | Poaceae | PHLPRA | non-native | 0 | 3 | grass | perennial | timothy |
| <i>Phlox divaricata</i> | Polemoniaceae | PHLDIV | native | 5 | 3 | forb | perennial | wild blue phlox |

| Scientific Name | Family | Acronym | Native? | C | W | Physiognomy | Duration | Common Name |
|--------------------------------------|-----------------|---------|------------|---|----|-------------|-----------|----------------------------|
| Phlox paniculata | Polemoniaceae | PHLPAN | non-native | 0 | 3 | forb | perennial | garden phlox |
| Phragmites australis var. americanus | Poaceae | PHRAUM | native | 5 | -3 | grass | perennial | reed |
| Phryma leptostachya | Phrymaceae | PHRLEP | native | 4 | 3 | forb | perennial | lopseed |
| Phytolacca americana | Phytolaccaceae | PHYAME | native | 2 | 3 | forb | perennial | pokeweed |
| Picea abies | Pinaceae | PICABI | non-native | 0 | 5 | tree | perennial | norway spruce |
| Picea glauca | Pinaceae | PICGLA | native | 3 | 3 | tree | perennial | white spruce |
| Pilea pumila | Urticaceae | PILPUM | native | 5 | -3 | forb | annual | clearweed |
| Pinus strobus | Pinaceae | PINSTR | native | 3 | 3 | tree | perennial | white pine |
| Pinus sylvestris | Pinaceae | PINSYL | non-native | 0 | 3 | tree | perennial | scotch pine |
| Plantago lanceolata | Plantaginaceae | PLALAN | non-native | 0 | 3 | forb | perennial | english plantain |
| Plantago rugelii | Plantaginaceae | PLARUG | native | 0 | 0 | forb | perennial | red-stalked plantain |
| Platanus occidentalis | Platanaceae | PLAOCC | native | 7 | -3 | tree | perennial | sycamore |
| Poa alsodes | Poaceae | POAALS | native | 9 | 0 | grass | perennial | bluegrass |
| Poa compressa | Poaceae | POACOM | non-native | 0 | 3 | grass | perennial | canada bluegrass |
| Poa pratensis | Poaceae | POAPRA | non-native | 0 | 3 | grass | perennial | kentucky bluegrass |
| Podophyllum peltatum | Berberidaceae | PODPEL | native | 3 | 3 | forb | perennial | may-apple |
| Polygonatum pubescens | Convallariaceae | POLPUB | native | 5 | 5 | forb | perennial | downy solomon seal |
| Polymnia canadensis | Asteraceae | POLCAN | native | 6 | 3 | forb | perennial | leaf-cup |
| Polystichum acrostichoides | Dryopteridaceae | POLACR | native | 6 | 3 | fern | perennial | christmas fern |
| Populus deltoides | Salicaceae | POPDEL | native | 1 | 0 | tree | perennial | cottonwood |
| Potentilla recta | Rosaceae | POTREC | non-native | 0 | 5 | forb | perennial | rough-fruited cinquefoil |
| Potentilla simplex | Rosaceae | POTSIM | native | 2 | 3 | forb | perennial | old-field cinquefoil |
| Prunella vulgaris | Lamiaceae | PRUVUL | native | 0 | 0 | forb | perennial | self-heal |
| Prunus serotina | Rosaceae | PRUSER | native | 2 | 3 | tree | perennial | wild black cherry |
| Prunus virginiana | Rosaceae | PRUVIR | native | 2 | 3 | shrub | perennial | choke cherry |
| Ptelea trifoliata | Rutaceae | PTETRI | native | 4 | 3 | shrub | perennial | hop-tree |
| Quercus alba | Fagaceae | QUEALB | native | 5 | 3 | tree | perennial | white oak |
| Quercus bicolor | Fagaceae | QUEBIC | native | 8 | -3 | tree | perennial | swamp white oak |
| Quercus macrocarpa | Fagaceae | QUEMAC | native | 5 | 3 | tree | perennial | bur oak |
| Quercus muehlenbergii | Fagaceae | QUEMUE | native | 5 | 3 | tree | perennial | chinquapin oak |
| Quercus rubra | Fagaceae | QUERUB | native | 5 | 3 | tree | perennial | red oak |
| Ranunculus abortivus | Ranunculaceae | RANABO | native | 0 | 0 | forb | perennial | small-flowered buttercup |
| Ranunculus hispidus | Ranunculaceae | RANHIS | native | 5 | 0 | forb | perennial | swamp buttercup |
| Ranunculus recurvatus | Ranunculaceae | RANREC | native | 5 | -3 | forb | perennial | hooked crowfoot |
| Rhamnus cathartica | Rhamnaceae | RHACAT | non-native | 0 | 0 | tree | perennial | common buckthorn |
| Rhus typhina | Anacardiaceae | RHUTYP | native | 2 | 3 | shrub | perennial | staghorn sumac |
| Ribes americanum | Grossulariaceae | RIBAME | native | 6 | -3 | shrub | perennial | wild black currant |
| Ribes cynosbati | Grossulariaceae | RIBCYN | native | 4 | 3 | shrub | perennial | prickly or wild gooseberry |
| Rosa multiflora | Rosaceae | ROSMUL | non-native | 0 | 3 | shrub | perennial | multiflora rose |
| Rubus allegheniensis | Rosaceae | RUBALL | native | 1 | 3 | shrub | perennial | common blackberry |

| Scientific Name | Family | Acronym | Native? | C | W | Physiognomy | Duration | Common Name |
|---|-----------------|---------|------------|---|----|-------------|-----------|------------------------|
| Rubus occidentalis | Rosaceae | RUBOCC | native | 1 | 5 | shrub | perennial | black raspberry |
| Rubus strigosus | Rosaceae | RUBSTR | native | 2 | 0 | shrub | perennial | wild red raspberry |
| Rudbeckia laciniata | Asteraceae | RUDLAC | native | 6 | -3 | forb | perennial | cut-leaf coneflower |
| Rumex crispus | Polygonaceae | RUMCRI | non-native | 0 | 0 | forb | perennial | curly dock |
| Rumex obtusifolius | Polygonaceae | RUMOBT | non-native | 0 | 0 | forb | perennial | bitter dock |
| Rumex verticillatus | Polygonaceae | RUMVER | native | 7 | -5 | forb | perennial | water dock |
| Sagittaria latifolia | Alismataceae | SAGLAT | native | 4 | -5 | forb | perennial | common arrowhead |
| Salix nigra | Salicaceae | SALNIG | native | 5 | -5 | tree | perennial | black willow |
| Sambucus canadensis | Adoxaceae | SAMCAN | native | 3 | -3 | shrub | perennial | elderberry |
| Sambucus racemosa | Adoxaceae | SAMRAC | native | 3 | 3 | shrub | perennial | red-berried elder |
| Sanguinaria canadensis | Papaveraceae | SANCAA | native | 5 | 3 | forb | perennial | bloodroot |
| Sanicula odorata; s. gregaria | Apiaceae | SANODO | native | 2 | 0 | forb | perennial | black snakeroot |
| Sassafras albidum | Lauraceae | SASALB | native | 5 | 3 | tree | perennial | sassafras |
| Saururus cernuus | Saururaceae | SAUCER | native | 9 | -5 | forb | perennial | lizards-tail |
| Scirpus pendulus | Cyperaceae | SCIPEN | native | 3 | -5 | sedge | perennial | bulrush |
| Scutellaria lateriflora | Lamiaceae | SCULAT | native | 5 | -5 | forb | perennial | mad-dog skullcap |
| Silene vulgaris | Caryophyllaceae | SILVUL | non-native | 0 | 5 | forb | perennial | bladder campion |
| Sium suave | Apiaceae | SIUSUA | native | 5 | -5 | forb | perennial | water-parsnip |
| Smilax ecirrata | Smilacaceae | SMIECI | native | 6 | 5 | forb | perennial | upright carrion-flower |
| Smilax hispida; s. tamnoides | Smilacaceae | SMIHIS | native | 5 | 0 | vine | perennial | bristly greenbrier |
| Solanum carolinense | Solanaceae | SOLCAR | non-native | 0 | 3 | forb | perennial | horse-nettle |
| Solidago altissima | Asteraceae | SOLALT | native | 1 | 3 | forb | perennial | tall goldenrod |
| Solidago caesia | Asteraceae | SOLCAE | native | 6 | 3 | forb | perennial | bluestem goldenrod |
| Solidago gigantea | Asteraceae | SOLGIG | native | 3 | -3 | forb | perennial | late goldenrod |
| Staphylea trifolia | Staphyleaceae | STATRI | native | 9 | 0 | shrub | perennial | bladdernut |
| Symphotrichum cordifolium; aster c. | Asteraceae | SYMCOR | native | 4 | 5 | forb | perennial | heart-leaved aster |
| Symphotrichum lanceolatum; aster l. | Asteraceae | SYMLAN | native | 2 | -3 | forb | perennial | panicked aster |
| Symphotrichum lateriflorum; aster l. | Asteraceae | SYMLAT | native | 2 | 0 | forb | perennial | calico aster |
| Symphotrichum urophyllum; aster sagittifolius | Asteraceae | SYMURO | native | 2 | 5 | forb | perennial | arrow-leaved aster |
| Symplocarpus foetidus | Araceae | SYMFOE | native | 6 | -5 | forb | perennial | skunk-cabbage |
| Taraxacum officinale | Asteraceae | TAROFF | non-native | 0 | 3 | forb | perennial | common dandelion |
| Teucrium canadense | Lamiaceae | TEUCAN | native | 4 | -3 | forb | perennial | wood-sage |
| Thalictrum dasycarpum | Ranunculaceae | THADAS | native | 3 | -3 | forb | perennial | purple meadow-rue |
| Thalictrum dioicum | Ranunculaceae | THADIO | native | 6 | 3 | forb | perennial | early meadow-rue |
| Tilia americana | Malvaceae | TILAME | native | 5 | 3 | tree | perennial | basswood |
| Torilis japonica | Apiaceae | TORJAP | non-native | 0 | 3 | forb | annual | hedge-parsley |
| Toxicodendron radicans | Anacardiaceae | TOXRAD | native | 2 | 0 | vine | perennial | poison-ivy |
| Tragopogon dubius | Asteraceae | TRADUB | non-native | 0 | 5 | forb | biennial | goats beard |
| Trifolium repens | Fabaceae | TRIREP | non-native | 0 | 3 | forb | perennial | white clover |
| Trillium grandiflorum | Trilliaceae | TRIGRA | native | 5 | 3 | forb | perennial | common trillium |

| Scientific Name | Family | Acronym | Native? | C | W | Physiognomy | Duration | Common Name |
|--------------------------|------------------|---------|------------|---|----|-------------|-----------|-----------------------------|
| Triosteum aurantiacum | Caprifoliaceae | TRIAUN | native | 5 | 5 | forb | perennial | horse-gentian |
| Ulmus americana | Ulmaceae | ULMAME | native | 1 | -3 | tree | perennial | american elm |
| Ulmus pumila | Ulmaceae | ULMPUM | non-native | 0 | 3 | tree | perennial | siberian elm |
| Ulmus rubra | Ulmaceae | ULMRUB | native | 2 | 0 | tree | perennial | slippery elm |
| Urtica dioica | Urticaceae | URTDIO | native | 1 | 0 | forb | perennial | stinging nettle |
| Uvularia grandiflora | Convallariaceae | UVUGRA | native | 5 | 5 | forb | perennial | bellwort |
| Verbascum blattaria | Scrophulariaceae | VERBLA | non-native | 0 | 3 | forb | biennial | moth mullein |
| Verbascum thapsus | Scrophulariaceae | VERTHA | non-native | 0 | 5 | forb | biennial | common mullein |
| Verbena urticifolia | Verbenaceae | VERURT | native | 4 | 0 | forb | perennial | white vervain |
| Veronicastrum virginicum | Plantaginaceae | VERVIR | native | 8 | 0 | forb | perennial | culvers-root |
| Viburnum acerifolium | Adoxaceae | VIBACE | native | 6 | 5 | shrub | perennial | maple-leaved viburnum |
| Viburnum dentatum | Adoxaceae | VIBDEN | native | 6 | 0 | shrub | perennial | arrow-wood |
| Viburnum lentago | Adoxaceae | VIBLEN | native | 4 | 0 | shrub | perennial | nannyberry |
| Viburnum opulus | Adoxaceae | VIBOPU | non-native | 0 | -3 | shrub | perennial | european highbush-cranberry |
| Vicia hirsuta | Fabaceae | VICHIR | non-native | 0 | 5 | vine | annual | hairy vetch |
| Viola pubescens | Violaceae | VIOPUB | native | 4 | 3 | forb | perennial | yellow violet |
| Viola sororia | Violaceae | VIOSOR | native | 1 | 0 | forb | perennial | common blue violet |
| Viola striata | Violaceae | VIOSTR | native | 5 | -3 | forb | perennial | cream violet |
| Vitis riparia | Vitaceae | VITRIP | native | 3 | 0 | vine | perennial | river-bank grape |
| Zanthoxylum americanum | Rutaceae | ZANAME | native | 3 | 3 | shrub | perennial | prickly-ash |

**Appendix D:
Floristic Quality Assessment – Davis-Foster Preserve**

Davis/Foster Preserve

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Davis/Foster Preserve

Meridian Twp.

Ingham

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FQA DB Region:

Michigan

FQA DB Publication Year:

2014

FQA DB Description:

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Practitioner:

Brad Slaughter, John Paskus

Latitude:

42.7267

Longitude:

-84.379

Weather Notes:

Duration Notes:

Community Type Notes:

southern wet meadow, southern shrub-carr

Other Notes:

Species list was taken in wetland W of Van Atta Rd. Additional spp. added by B. Slaughter 9 September 2014.

Private/Public:

Public

Conservatism-Based Metrics:

Total Mean C:

3.9

Native Mean C:

4.2

Total FQI:

29.2

Native FQI:

30.6

Adjusted FQI:

40.9

% C value 0:

7.1

% C value 1-3:

37.5

% C value 4-6:

41.1

% C value 7-10:

14.3

Native Tree Mean C:

1

Native Shrub Mean C: 4
 Native Herbaceous Mean C: 4.5

Species Richness:
 Total Species: 56
 Native Species: 53 94.60%
 Non-native Species: 3 5.40%

Species Wetness:
 Mean Wetness: -3.1
 Native Mean Wetness: -3.1

Physiognomy Metrics:
 Tree: 3 5.40%
 Shrub: 11 19.60%
 Vine: 3 5.40%
 Forb: 28 50%
 Grass: 4 7.10%
 Sedge: 5 8.90%
 Rush: 0 0%
 Fern: 2 3.60%
 Bryophyte: 0 0%

Duration Metrics:
 Annual: 1 1.80%
 Perennial: 54 96.40%
 Biennial: 1 1.80%
 Native Annual: 1 1.80%
 Native Perennial: 51 91.10%
 Native Biennial: 1 1.80%

Species:

| Scientific Name | Family | Acronym | Native? | C | W | Physiognomy | Duration | Common Name |
|---------------------|-------------|---------|---------|---|----|-------------|-----------|----------------|
| Acer rubrum | Sapindaceae | ACERUB | native | 1 | 0 | tree | perennial | red maple |
| Asclepias incarnata | Apocynaceae | ASCINC | native | 6 | -5 | forb | perennial | swamp milkweed |
| Betula pumila | Betulaceae | BETPUM | native | 8 | -5 | shrub | perennial | bog birch |

| Scientific Name | Family | Acronym | Native? | C | W | Physiognomy | Duration | Common Name |
|--------------------------------------|---------------|----------------|----------------|----------|----------|--------------------|-----------------|-------------------------|
| Boehmeria cylindrica | Urticaceae | BOECYL | native | 5 | -5 | forb | perennial | false nettle |
| Bromus ciliatus | Poaceae | BROCIL | native | 6 | -3 | grass | perennial | fringed brome |
| Calamagrostis canadensis | Poaceae | CALCAN | native | 3 | -5 | grass | perennial | blue-joint |
| Caltha palustris | Ranunculaceae | CALPAR | native | 6 | -5 | forb | perennial | marsh-marigold |
| Campanula aparinoides | Campanulaceae | CAMAPA | native | 7 | -5 | forb | perennial | marsh bellflower |
| Carex aquatilis | Cyperaceae | CXAQUA | native | 7 | -5 | sedge | perennial | sedge |
| Carex cristatella | Cyperaceae | CXCRIS | native | 3 | -3 | sedge | perennial | sedge |
| Carex diandra | Cyperaceae | CXDIAN | native | 8 | -5 | sedge | perennial | sedge |
| Carex lacustris | Cyperaceae | CXLACU | native | 6 | -5 | sedge | perennial | sedge |
| Carex stricta | Cyperaceae | CXSTRI | native | 4 | -5 | sedge | perennial | sedge |
| Cicuta bulbifera | Apiaceae | CICBUL | native | 5 | -5 | forb | perennial | water hemlock |
| Cirsium muticum | Asteraceae | CIRMUT | native | 6 | -5 | forb | biennial | swamp thistle |
| Comarum palustre; potentilla p. | Rosaceae | COMPAL | native | 7 | -5 | forb | perennial | marsh cinquefoil |
| Cornus amomum | Cornaceae | CORAMO | native | 2 | -3 | shrub | perennial | silky dogwood |
| Cornus foemina | Cornaceae | CORFOE | native | 1 | 0 | shrub | perennial | gray dogwood |
| Dioscorea villosa; dioscorea villosa | Dioscoreaceae | DIOVIL | native | 4 | 0 | forb | perennial | wild yam |
| Doellingeria umbellata; aster u. | Asteraceae | DOEUMB | native | 5 | -3 | forb | perennial | flat-topped white aster |
| Epilobium coloratum | Onagraceae | EPICOL | native | 3 | -5 | forb | perennial | cinnamon willow-herb |
| Eupatorium perfoliatum | Asteraceae | EUPPER | native | 4 | -3 | forb | perennial | boneset |
| Euthamia graminifolia | Asteraceae | EUTGRA | native | 3 | 0 | forb | perennial | grass-leaved goldenrod |
| Eutrochium maculatum; eupatorium m. | Asteraceae | EUTMAC | native | 4 | -5 | forb | perennial | joe-pye-weed |
| Frangula alnus; rhamnus frangula | Rhamnaceae | FRAALN | non-native | 0 | 0 | shrub | perennial | glossy buckthorn |
| Galium asprellum | Rubiaceae | GALASP | native | 5 | -5 | vine | perennial | rough bedstraw |
| Impatiens capensis | Balsaminaceae | IMPCAP | native | 2 | -3 | forb | annual | spotted touch-me-not |
| Lycopus americanus | Lamiaceae | LYCAME | native | 2 | -5 | forb | perennial | common water horehound |
| Mentha spicata | Lamiaceae | MENSPI | non-native | 0 | -3 | forb | perennial | spearmint |
| Muhlenbergia mexicana | Poaceae | MUHMEX | native | 3 | -3 | grass | perennial | leafy satin grass |
| Onoclea sensibilis | Onocleaceae | ONOSEN | native | 2 | -3 | fern | perennial | sensitive fern |
| Parthenocissus inserta | Vitaceae | PARINS | native | 4 | 3 | vine | perennial | thicket creeper |
| Pedicularis lanceolata | Orobanchaceae | PEDLAN | native | 8 | -3 | forb | perennial | swamp-betony |
| Persicaria amphibia; polygonum a. | Polygonaceae | PERAMP | native | 6 | -5 | forb | perennial | water smartweed |
| Phalaris arundinacea | Poaceae | PHAARU | native | 0 | -3 | grass | perennial | reed canary grass |
| Physocarpus opulifolius | Rosaceae | PHYOPU | native | 4 | -3 | shrub | perennial | ninebark |
| Populus tremuloides | Salicaceae | POPTRE | native | 1 | 0 | tree | perennial | quaking aspen |
| Rhamnus alnifolia | Rhamnaceae | RHAALN | native | 8 | -5 | shrub | perennial | alder-leaved buckthorn |

| Scientific Name | Family | Acronym | Native? | C | W | Physiognomy | Duration | Common Name |
|--------------------------------------|------------------|----------------|----------------|----------|----------|--------------------|-----------------|------------------------|
| Ribes hirtellum | Grossulariaceae | RIBHIR | native | 6 | -3 | shrub | perennial | swamp gooseberry |
| Rubus strigosus | Rosaceae | RUBSTR | native | 2 | 0 | shrub | perennial | wild red raspberry |
| Rumex orbiculatus | Polygonaceae | RUMORB | native | 9 | -5 | forb | perennial | great water dock |
| Salix petiolaris | Salicaceae | SALPET | native | 1 | -3 | shrub | perennial | slender willow |
| Solidago altissima | Asteraceae | SOLALT | native | 1 | 3 | forb | perennial | tall goldenrod |
| Solidago patula | Asteraceae | SOLPAT | native | 6 | -5 | forb | perennial | swamp goldenrod |
| Solidago rugosa | Asteraceae | SOLRUG | native | 3 | 0 | forb | perennial | rough-leaved goldenrod |
| Spiraea alba | Rosaceae | SPIALB | native | 4 | -3 | shrub | perennial | meadowsweet |
| Symphotrichum firmum; aster puniceus | Asteraceae | SYMFIR | native | 4 | -3 | forb | perennial | smooth swamp aster |
| Symplocarpus foetidus | Araceae | SYMFOE | native | 6 | -5 | forb | perennial | skunk-cabbage |
| Thalictrum dasycarpum | Ranunculaceae | THADAS | native | 3 | -3 | forb | perennial | purple meadow-rue |
| Thelypteris palustris | Thelypteridaceae | THEPAL | native | 2 | -3 | fern | perennial | marsh fern |
| Typha angustifolia | Typhaceae | TYPANG | non-native | 0 | -5 | forb | perennial | narrow-leaved cat-tail |
| Typha latifolia | Typhaceae | TYPLAT | native | 1 | -5 | forb | perennial | broad-leaved cat-tail |
| Ulmus americana | Ulmaceae | ULMAME | native | 1 | -3 | tree | perennial | american elm |
| Viburnum lentago | Adoxaceae | VIBLEN | native | 4 | 0 | shrub | perennial | nannyberry |
| Vitis riparia | Vitaceae | VITRIP | native | 3 | 0 | vine | perennial | river-bank grape |
| Zizia aurea | Apiaceae | ZIZAUR | native | 6 | 0 | forb | perennial | golden alexanders |

Appendix E:
Floristic Quality Assessment – Ted Black Woods

Ted Black Woods Park

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Ted Black Woods Park

Okemos

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FQA DB Region:

Michigan

FQA DB Publication Year:

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Practitioner:

Brad Slaughter, John Paskus

Latitude:

42.7171

Longitude:

-84.3741

Weather Notes:

Duration Notes:

Community Type Notes:

Dry-mesic southern forest, bog

Other Notes:

Additional survey 9 September by B. Slaughter. *Cercis can*, *Pinus res*, *Tsuga can* planted. Also noted: *Aesculus sp.*, *Bidens sp.*, *Carex sp.*, *Cirsium sp.*, *Crataegus sp.*

Private/Public:

Public

Conservatism-Based Metrics:

Total Mean C: 3.4

Native Mean C: 4.3

Total FQI: 45

Native FQI: 51.1

Adjusted FQI: 38.6

% C value 0: 22.3

% C value 1-3: 21.1

% C value 4-6: 47.4

% C value 7-10: 9.1

Native Tree Mean C: 4.7

Native Shrub Mean C: 4.6

Native Herbaceous Mean C: 4.1

Species Richness:

| | | |
|---------------------|-----|--------|
| Total Species: | 175 | |
| Native Species: | 141 | 80.60% |
| Non-native Species: | 34 | 19.40% |

Species Wetness:

| | |
|----------------------|-----|
| Mean Wetness: | 1.4 |
| Native Mean Wetness: | 0.9 |

Physiognomy Metrics:

| | | |
|------------|----|--------|
| Tree: | 29 | 16.60% |
| Shrub: | 29 | 16.60% |
| Vine: | 10 | 5.70% |
| Forb: | 73 | 41.70% |
| Grass: | 10 | 5.70% |
| Sedge: | 17 | 9.70% |
| Rush: | 0 | 0% |
| Fern: | 7 | 4% |
| Bryophyte: | 0 | 0% |

Duration Metrics:

| | | |
|-------------------|-----|--------|
| Annual: | 10 | 5.70% |
| Perennial: | 161 | 92% |
| Biennial: | 4 | 2.30% |
| Native Annual: | 8 | 4.60% |
| Native Perennial: | 131 | 74.90% |
| Native Biennial: | 2 | 1.10% |

Species:

| Scientific Name | Family | Acronym | Native? | C | W | Physiognomy | Duration | Common Name |
|---|---------------|---------|------------|---|---|-------------|-----------|-----------------|
| Acer platanoides | Sapindaceae | ACEPLA | non-native | 0 | 5 | tree | perennial | norway maple |
| Acer rubrum | Sapindaceae | ACERUB | native | 1 | 0 | tree | perennial | red maple |
| Acer saccharum | Sapindaceae | ACESAU | native | 5 | 3 | tree | perennial | sugar maple |
| Actaea pachypoda | Ranunculaceae | ACTPAC | native | 7 | 5 | forb | perennial | dolls-eyes |
| Adiantum pedatum | Pteridaceae | ADIPED | native | 6 | 3 | fern | perennial | maidenhair fern |
| Ageratina altissima; eupatorium rugosum | Asteraceae | AGEALT | native | 4 | 3 | forb | perennial | white snakeroot |

| Scientific Name | Family | Acronym | Native? | C | W | Physiognomy | Duration | Common Name |
|----------------------------|---------------|----------------|----------------|----------|----------|--------------------|-----------------|---------------------------|
| Alliaria petiolata | Brassicaceae | ALLPET | non-native | 0 | 3 | forb | biennial | garlic mustard |
| Amelanchier arborea | Rosaceae | AMEARB | native | 4 | 3 | tree | perennial | juneberry |
| Amphicarpaea bracteata | Fabaceae | AMPBRA | native | 5 | 0 | vine | annual | hog-peanut |
| Anemone quinquefolia | Ranunculaceae | ANEQUI | native | 5 | 3 | forb | perennial | wood anemone |
| Aralia nudicaulis | Araliaceae | ARANUD | native | 5 | 3 | forb | perennial | wild sarsaparilla |
| Arctium minus | Asteraceae | ARCMIN | non-native | 0 | 3 | forb | biennial | common burdock |
| Arisaema triphyllum | Araceae | ARITRI | native | 5 | 0 | forb | perennial | jack-in-the-pulpit |
| Asclepias exaltata | Apocynaceae | ASCEXA | native | 6 | 5 | forb | perennial | poke milkweed |
| Athyrium filix-femina | Athyriaceae | ATHFIL | native | 4 | 0 | fern | perennial | lady fern |
| Berberis thunbergii | Berberidaceae | BERTHU | non-native | 0 | 3 | shrub | perennial | japanese barberry |
| Bidens connata | Asteraceae | BIDCON | native | 5 | -3 | forb | annual | purple-stemmed tickseed |
| Boehmeria cylindrica | Urticaceae | BOECYL | native | 5 | -5 | forb | perennial | false nettle |
| Brachyelytrum erectum | Poaceae | BRAERE | native | 7 | 5 | grass | perennial | long-awned wood grass |
| Bromus pubescens | Poaceae | BROPUB | native | 5 | 3 | grass | perennial | canada brome |
| Calamagrostis canadensis | Poaceae | CALCAN | native | 3 | -5 | grass | perennial | blue-joint |
| Cardamine hirsuta | Brassicaceae | CARHIR | non-native | 0 | 3 | forb | annual | hoary bitter cress |
| Cardamine pensylvanica | Brassicaceae | CARPEN | native | 1 | -3 | forb | biennial | pennsylvania bitter cress |
| Carex blanda | Cyperaceae | CXBLAN | native | 1 | 0 | sedge | perennial | sedge |
| Carex canescens | Cyperaceae | CXCANE | native | 8 | -5 | sedge | perennial | sedge |
| Carex cephalophora | Cyperaceae | CXCEPP | native | 3 | 3 | sedge | perennial | sedge |
| Carex crinita | Cyperaceae | CXCRIN | native | 4 | -5 | sedge | perennial | sedge |
| Carex cristatella | Cyperaceae | CXCRIS | native | 3 | -3 | sedge | perennial | sedge |
| Carex digitalis | Cyperaceae | CXDIGI | native | 5 | 5 | sedge | perennial | sedge |
| Carex gracillima | Cyperaceae | CXGRAA | native | 4 | 3 | sedge | perennial | sedge |
| Carex grisea; c. amphibola | Cyperaceae | CXGRIS | native | 3 | 0 | sedge | perennial | sedge |
| Carex hirtifolia | Cyperaceae | CXHIRI | native | 5 | 3 | sedge | perennial | sedge |
| Carex jamesii | Cyperaceae | CXJAME | native | 8 | 5 | sedge | perennial | james sedge |
| Carex pensylvanica | Cyperaceae | CXPENS | native | 4 | 5 | sedge | perennial | sedge |
| Carex rosea; c. convoluta | Cyperaceae | CXROSE | native | 2 | 5 | sedge | perennial | curly-styled wood sedge |
| Carex stipata | Cyperaceae | CXSTIP | native | 1 | -5 | sedge | perennial | sedge |
| Carex swanii | Cyperaceae | CXSWAN | native | 4 | 3 | sedge | perennial | sedge |
| Carex tribuloides | Cyperaceae | CXTRIB | native | 3 | -3 | sedge | perennial | sedge |
| Carpinus caroliniana | Betulaceae | CARCAO | native | 6 | 0 | tree | perennial | blue-beech |
| Carya ovata | Juglandaceae | CAROVA | native | 5 | 3 | tree | perennial | shagbark hickory |
| Caulophyllum thalictroides | Berberidaceae | CAUTHA | native | 5 | 5 | forb | perennial | blue cohosh |
| Celastrus orbiculatus | Celastraceae | CELORB | non-native | 0 | 5 | vine | perennial | oriental bittersweet |

| Scientific Name | Family | Acronym | Native? | C | W | Physiognomy | Duration | Common Name |
|---|-----------------|---------|------------|----|----|-------------|-----------|------------------------------|
| <i>Celtis occidentalis</i> | Cannabaceae | CELOCC | native | 5 | 0 | tree | perennial | hackberry |
| <i>Cercis canadensis</i> | Fabaceae | CERCAN | native | 8 | 3 | tree | perennial | redbud |
| <i>Chamaedaphne calyculata</i> | Ericaceae | CHACAL | native | 8 | -5 | shrub | perennial | leatherleaf |
| <i>Cinna arundinacea</i> | Poaceae | CINARU | native | 7 | -3 | grass | perennial | wood reedgrass |
| <i>Circaea canadensis</i> ; <i>c. lutetiana</i> | Onagraceae | CIRCAN | native | 2 | 3 | forb | perennial | enchanters-nightshade |
| <i>Collinsonia canadensis</i> | Lamiaceae | COLCAN | native | 8 | 0 | forb | perennial | richweed |
| <i>Conopholis americana</i> | Orobanchaceae | CONAME | native | 10 | 5 | forb | perennial | squaw-root |
| <i>Convallaria majalis</i> | Convallariaceae | CONMAJ | non-native | 0 | 5 | forb | perennial | lily-of-the-valley |
| <i>Cornus alternifolia</i> | Cornaceae | CORALT | native | 5 | 3 | tree | perennial | alternate-leaved dogwood |
| <i>Cornus florida</i> | Cornaceae | CORFLO | native | 8 | 3 | tree | perennial | flowering dogwood |
| <i>Corylus americana</i> | Betulaceae | CORAMA | native | 5 | 3 | shrub | perennial | hazelnut |
| <i>Decodon verticillatus</i> | Lythraceae | DECVER | native | 7 | -5 | shrub | perennial | whorled or swamp loosestrife |
| <i>Dirca palustris</i> | Thymelaeaceae | DIRPAL | native | 8 | 0 | shrub | perennial | leatherwood |
| <i>Dryopteris carthusiana</i> | Dryopteridaceae | DRYCAR | native | 5 | -3 | fern | perennial | spinulose woodfern |
| <i>Dryopteris goldiana</i> | Dryopteridaceae | DRYGOL | native | 10 | 0 | fern | perennial | goldies woodfern |
| <i>Dulichium arundinaceum</i> | Cyperaceae | DULARU | native | 8 | -5 | sedge | perennial | three-way sedge |
| <i>Elaeagnus umbellata</i> | Elaeagnaceae | ELAUMB | non-native | 0 | 3 | shrub | perennial | autumn-olive |
| <i>Eleutherococcus sieboldianus</i> | Araliaceae | ELESIE | non-native | 0 | 5 | shrub | perennial | five-leaved aralia |
| <i>Elymus hystrix</i> ; <i>hystrix patula</i> | Poaceae | ELYHYS | native | 5 | 3 | grass | perennial | bottlebrush grass |
| <i>Elymus virginicus</i> | Poaceae | ELYVIR | native | 4 | -3 | grass | perennial | virginia wild-rye |
| <i>Erechtites hieraciifolius</i> | Asteraceae | EREHIE | native | 2 | 3 | forb | annual | fireweed |
| <i>Erigeron philadelphicus</i> | Asteraceae | ERIPHI | native | 2 | 0 | forb | perennial | philadelphia fleabane |
| <i>Euonymus alatus</i> | Celastraceae | EUOALA | non-native | 0 | 5 | shrub | perennial | winged euonymus |
| <i>Euonymus fortunei</i> | Celastraceae | EUOFOR | non-native | 0 | 5 | vine | perennial | wintercreeper |
| <i>Eurybia macrophylla</i> ; <i>aster m.</i> | Asteraceae | EURMAC | native | 4 | 5 | forb | perennial | big-leaved aster |
| <i>Fagus grandifolia</i> | Fagaceae | FAGGRA | native | 6 | 3 | tree | perennial | american beech |
| <i>Frangula alnus</i> ; <i>rhamnus frangula</i> | Rhamnaceae | FRAALN | non-native | 0 | 0 | shrub | perennial | glossy buckthorn |
| <i>Fraxinus americana</i> | Oleaceae | FRAAME | native | 5 | 3 | tree | perennial | white ash |
| <i>Fraxinus pennsylvanica</i> | Oleaceae | FRAPEN | native | 2 | -3 | tree | perennial | red ash |
| <i>Galium aparine</i> | Rubiaceae | GALAPA | native | 0 | 3 | forb | annual | annual bedstraw |
| <i>Galium circaezans</i> | Rubiaceae | GALCIR | native | 4 | 3 | forb | perennial | white wild licorice |
| <i>Galium obtusum</i> | Rubiaceae | GALOBT | native | 5 | -3 | forb | perennial | wild madder |
| <i>Galium odoratum</i> | Rubiaceae | GALODO | non-native | 0 | 5 | forb | perennial | sweet woodruff |
| <i>Galium triflorum</i> | Rubiaceae | GALTRR | native | 4 | 3 | forb | perennial | fragrant bedstraw |
| <i>Geranium maculatum</i> | Geraniaceae | GERMAC | native | 4 | 3 | forb | perennial | wild geranium |
| <i>Geum canadense</i> | Rosaceae | GEUCAN | native | 1 | 0 | forb | perennial | white avens |

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|--|-----------------|---------|------------|---|----|-------------|-----------|-------------------------------|
| <i>Geum urbanum</i> | Rosaceae | GEURB | non-native | 0 | 5 | forb | perennial | avens |
| <i>Glyceria striata</i> | Poaceae | GLYSTR | native | 4 | -5 | grass | perennial | fowl manna grass |
| <i>Hackelia virginiana</i> | Boraginaceae | HACVIR | native | 1 | 3 | forb | biennial | beggars lice |
| <i>Hamamelis virginiana</i> | Hamamelidaceae | HAMVIR | native | 5 | 3 | shrub | perennial | witch-hazel |
| <i>Hedera helix</i> | Araliaceae | HEDHEL | non-native | 0 | 3 | vine | perennial | english ivy |
| <i>Helianthus divaricatus</i> | Asteraceae | HELDIV | native | 5 | 5 | forb | perennial | woodland sunflower |
| <i>Hesperis matronalis</i> | Brassicaceae | HESMAT | non-native | 0 | 3 | forb | perennial | dames rocket |
| <i>Hylodesmum glutinosum</i> ; <i>desmodium g.</i> | Fabaceae | HYLGLU | native | 5 | 5 | forb | perennial | clustered-leaved tick-trefoil |
| <i>Ilex verticillata</i> | Aquifoliaceae | ILEVER | native | 5 | -3 | shrub | perennial | michigan holly |
| <i>Impatiens capensis</i> | Balsaminaceae | IMPCAP | native | 2 | -3 | forb | annual | spotted touch-me-not |
| <i>Iris virginica</i> | Iridaceae | IRIVIR | native | 5 | -5 | forb | perennial | southern blue flag |
| <i>Juncus tenuis</i> | Juncaceae | JUNTEN | native | 1 | 0 | forb | perennial | path rush |
| <i>Kerria japonica</i> | Rosaceae | KERJAP | non-native | 0 | 5 | shrub | perennial | japanese rose |
| <i>Laportea canadensis</i> | Urticaceae | LAPCAN | native | 4 | -3 | forb | perennial | wood nettle |
| <i>Larix laricina</i> | Pinaceae | LARLAR | native | 5 | -3 | tree | perennial | tamarack |
| <i>Leersia virginica</i> | Poaceae | LEEVIR | native | 5 | -3 | grass | perennial | white grass |
| <i>Lemna minor</i> | Araceae | LEMMIN | native | 5 | -5 | forb | perennial | common duckweed |
| <i>Leonurus cardiaca</i> | Lamiaceae | LEOCAR | non-native | 0 | 5 | forb | perennial | motherwort |
| <i>Ligustrum vulgare</i> | Oleaceae | LIGVUL | non-native | 0 | 3 | shrub | perennial | common privet |
| <i>Lonicera dioica</i> | Caprifoliaceae | LONDIO | native | 5 | 3 | vine | perennial | red honeysuckle |
| <i>Lonicera maackii</i> | Caprifoliaceae | LONMAA | non-native | 0 | 5 | shrub | perennial | amur honeysuckle |
| <i>Lonicera morrowii</i> | Caprifoliaceae | LONMOR | non-native | 0 | 3 | shrub | perennial | morrow honeysuckle |
| <i>Lycopus uniflorus</i> | Lamiaceae | LYCUNI | native | 2 | -5 | forb | perennial | northern bugle weed |
| <i>Lysimachia quadrifolia</i> | Myrsinaceae | LYSQUL | native | 8 | 3 | forb | perennial | four-leaved loosestrife |
| <i>Maianthemum canadense</i> | Convallariaceae | MAICAN | native | 4 | 3 | forb | perennial | canada mayflower |
| <i>Maianthemum racemosum</i> ; <i>smilacina r.</i> | Convallariaceae | MAIRAC | native | 5 | 3 | forb | perennial | false spikenard |
| <i>Menispermum canadense</i> | Menispermaceae | MENCAE | native | 5 | 0 | vine | perennial | moonseed |
| <i>Muhlenbergia schreberi</i> | Poaceae | MUHSCH | native | 0 | 0 | grass | perennial | nimblewill |
| <i>Onoclea sensibilis</i> | Onocleaceae | ONOSEN | native | 2 | -3 | fern | perennial | sensitive fern |
| <i>Ostrya virginiana</i> | Betulaceae | OSTVIR | native | 5 | 3 | tree | perennial | ironwood; hop-hornbeam |
| <i>Oxalis stricta</i> ; <i>o. fontana</i> | Oxalidaceae | OXASTR | native | 0 | 3 | forb | perennial | yellow wood-sorrel |
| <i>Parthenocissus quinquefolia</i> | Vitaceae | PARQUI | native | 5 | 3 | vine | perennial | virginia creeper |
| <i>Persicaria sagittata</i> ; <i>polygonum s.</i> | Polygonaceae | PERSAG | native | 5 | -5 | forb | annual | arrow-leaved tear-thumb |
| <i>Persicaria virginiana</i> ; <i>polygonum v.</i> | Polygonaceae | PERVIR | native | 4 | 0 | forb | perennial | jumpseed |
| <i>Petasites hybridus</i> | Asteraceae | PETHYB | non-native | 0 | -3 | forb | perennial | butterfly-dock |
| <i>Phryma leptostachya</i> | Phrymaceae | PHRLEP | native | 4 | 3 | forb | perennial | lopseed |

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|--|------------------|---------|------------|---|----|-------------|-----------|----------------------------|
| <i>Phytolacca americana</i> | Phytolaccaceae | PHYAME | native | 2 | 3 | forb | perennial | pokeweed |
| <i>Picea abies</i> | Pinaceae | PICABI | non-native | 0 | 5 | tree | perennial | norway spruce |
| <i>Pilea pumila</i> | Urticaceae | PILPUM | native | 5 | -3 | forb | annual | clearweed |
| <i>Pinus resinosa</i> | Pinaceae | PINRES | native | 6 | 3 | tree | perennial | red pine |
| <i>Pinus strobus</i> | Pinaceae | PINSTR | native | 3 | 3 | tree | perennial | white pine |
| <i>Podophyllum peltatum</i> | Berberidaceae | PODPEL | native | 3 | 3 | forb | perennial | may-apple |
| <i>Polygonatum pubescens</i> | Convallariaceae | POLPUB | native | 5 | 5 | forb | perennial | downy solomon seal |
| <i>Populus grandidentata</i> | Salicaceae | POPGRA | native | 4 | 3 | tree | perennial | big-tooth aspen |
| <i>Potentilla indica; duchesnea i.</i> | Rosaceae | POTIND | non-native | 0 | 3 | forb | perennial | indian-strawberry |
| <i>Potentilla simplex</i> | Rosaceae | POTSIM | native | 2 | 3 | forb | perennial | old-field cinquefoil |
| <i>Prenanthes alba</i> | Asteraceae | PREALB | native | 5 | 3 | forb | perennial | white lettuce |
| <i>Prunus serotina</i> | Rosaceae | PRUSER | native | 2 | 3 | tree | perennial | wild black cherry |
| <i>Prunus virginiana</i> | Rosaceae | PRUVIR | native | 2 | 3 | shrub | perennial | choke cherry |
| <i>Pteridium aquilinum</i> | Dennstaedtiaceae | PTEAQU | native | 0 | 3 | fern | perennial | bracken fern |
| <i>Pyrola elliptica</i> | Ericaceae | PYRELL | native | 6 | 3 | forb | perennial | large-leaved shinleaf |
| <i>Quercus alba</i> | Fagaceae | QUEALB | native | 5 | 3 | tree | perennial | white oak |
| <i>Quercus rubra</i> | Fagaceae | QUERUB | native | 5 | 3 | tree | perennial | red oak |
| <i>Quercus velutina</i> | Fagaceae | QUEVEL | native | 6 | 5 | tree | perennial | black oak |
| <i>Ranunculus abortivus</i> | Ranunculaceae | RANABO | native | 0 | 0 | forb | perennial | small-flowered buttercup |
| <i>Ranunculus recurvatus</i> | Ranunculaceae | RANREC | native | 5 | -3 | forb | perennial | hooked crowfoot |
| <i>Rhamnus cathartica</i> | Rhamnaceae | RHACAT | non-native | 0 | 0 | tree | perennial | common buckthorn |
| <i>Rhodotypos scandens</i> | Rosaceae | RHOSCA | non-native | 0 | 5 | shrub | perennial | jetbead |
| <i>Ribes cynosbati</i> | Grossulariaceae | RIBCYN | native | 4 | 3 | shrub | perennial | prickly or wild gooseberry |
| <i>Robinia pseudoacacia</i> | Fabaceae | ROBPSE | non-native | 0 | 3 | tree | perennial | black locust |
| <i>Rosa multiflora</i> | Rosaceae | ROSMUL | non-native | 0 | 3 | shrub | perennial | multiflora rose |
| <i>Rubus allegheniensis</i> | Rosaceae | RUBALL | native | 1 | 3 | shrub | perennial | common blackberry |
| <i>Rubus occidentalis</i> | Rosaceae | RUBOCC | native | 1 | 5 | shrub | perennial | black raspberry |
| <i>Sambucus racemosa</i> | Adoxaceae | SAMRAC | native | 3 | 3 | shrub | perennial | red-berried elder |
| <i>Sanguinaria canadensis</i> | Papaveraceae | SANCAA | native | 5 | 3 | forb | perennial | bloodroot |
| <i>Sassafras albidum</i> | Lauraceae | SASALB | native | 5 | 3 | tree | perennial | sassafras |
| <i>Scirpus cyperinus</i> | Cyperaceae | SCICYP | native | 5 | -5 | sedge | perennial | wool-grass |
| <i>Smilax hispida; s. tamnoides</i> | Smilacaceae | SMIHIS | native | 5 | 0 | vine | perennial | bristly greenbrier |
| <i>Solanum ptychanthum</i> | Solanaceae | SOLPTY | native | 1 | 3 | forb | annual | black nightshade |
| <i>Solidago caesia</i> | Asteraceae | SOLCAE | native | 6 | 3 | forb | perennial | bluestem goldenrod |
| <i>Solidago gigantea</i> | Asteraceae | SOLGIG | native | 3 | -3 | forb | perennial | late goldenrod |
| <i>Sorbaria sorbifolia</i> | Rosaceae | SORSOR | non-native | 0 | 5 | shrub | perennial | false spiraea |

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|--|------------------|----------------|----------------|----------|----------|--------------------|-----------------|-----------------------------|
| <i>Symphotrichum cordifolium</i> ; aster c. | Asteraceae | SYMCOR | native | 4 | 5 | forb | perennial | heart-leaved aster |
| <i>Syringa vulgaris</i> | Oleaceae | SYRVUL | non-native | 0 | 5 | shrub | perennial | common lilac |
| <i>Taraxacum officinale</i> | Asteraceae | TAROFF | non-native | 0 | 3 | forb | perennial | common dandelion |
| <i>Thalictrum dioicum</i> | Ranunculaceae | THADIO | native | 6 | 3 | forb | perennial | early meadow-rue |
| <i>Thelypteris palustris</i> | Thelypteridaceae | THEPAL | native | 2 | -3 | fern | perennial | marsh fern |
| <i>Tilia americana</i> | Malvaceae | TILAME | native | 5 | 3 | tree | perennial | basswood |
| <i>Torilis japonica</i> | Apiaceae | TORJAP | non-native | 0 | 3 | forb | annual | hedge-parsley |
| <i>Torreyochloa pallida</i> ; puccinellia p. | Poaceae | TORPAL | native | 7 | -5 | grass | perennial | pale false mannagrass |
| <i>Toxicodendron radicans</i> | Anacardiaceae | TOXRAD | native | 2 | 0 | vine | perennial | poison-ivy |
| <i>Triadenum fraseri</i> | Hypericaceae | TRIFRA | native | 6 | -5 | forb | perennial | marsh st. johns-wort |
| <i>Trillium grandiflorum</i> | Trilliaceae | TRIGRA | native | 5 | 3 | forb | perennial | common trillium |
| <i>Triosteum aurantiacum</i> | Caprifoliaceae | TRIAUN | native | 5 | 5 | forb | perennial | horse-gentian |
| <i>Tsuga canadensis</i> | Pinaceae | TSUCAN | native | 5 | 3 | tree | perennial | hemlock |
| <i>Ulmus americana</i> | Ulmaceae | ULMAME | native | 1 | -3 | tree | perennial | american elm |
| <i>Urtica dioica</i> | Urticaceae | URTDIO | native | 1 | 0 | forb | perennial | stinging nettle |
| <i>Vaccinium angustifolium</i> | Ericaceae | VACANG | native | 4 | 3 | shrub | perennial | low sweet blueberry |
| <i>Vaccinium corymbosum</i> | Ericaceae | VACCOR | native | 6 | -3 | shrub | perennial | highbush blueberry |
| <i>Verbena urticifolia</i> | Verbenaceae | VERURT | native | 4 | 0 | forb | perennial | white vervain |
| <i>Viburnum dentatum</i> | Adoxaceae | VIBDEN | native | 6 | 0 | shrub | perennial | arrow-wood |
| <i>Viburnum opulus</i> | Adoxaceae | VIBOPU | non-native | 0 | -3 | shrub | perennial | european highbush-cranberry |
| <i>Vinca minor</i> | Apocynaceae | VINMIN | non-native | 0 | 5 | shrub | perennial | periwinkle |
| <i>Viola blanda</i> | Violaceae | VIOBLA | native | 5 | -3 | forb | perennial | sweet white violet |
| <i>Viola pubescens</i> | Violaceae | VIOPUB | native | 4 | 3 | forb | perennial | yellow violet |
| <i>Viola sororia</i> | Violaceae | VIOSOR | native | 1 | 0 | forb | perennial | common blue violet |
| <i>Vitis riparia</i> | Vitaceae | VITRIP | native | 3 | 0 | vine | perennial | river-bank grape |

**Appendix F:
Floristic Quality Assessment – Williamston East**

Red Cedar River - Williamston East

06/13/2014

Red Cedar River

Ingham

MI

USA

FQA DB Region:

Michigan

FQA DB Publication Year:

2014

FQA DB Description:

Reznicek, A.A., M.R. Penskar, B.S. Walters, and B.S. Slaughter. 2014. Michigan Floristic Quality Assessment Database. Herbarium, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, MI and Michigan Natural Features Inventory, Michigan State University, Lansing, MI. <http://michiganflora.net>

Practitioner:

Brad Slaughter, John Paskus

Latitude:

42.6888

Longitude:

-84.2591

Weather Notes:

Duration Notes:

Community Type Notes:

Floodplain forest, dry-mesic southern forest, mesic southern forest

Other Notes:

Includes MNA Red Cedar River Plant Preserve and private tracts. Additional surveys 15 August, 18 August by B. Slaughter. Also noted: *Bidens* sp., *Cyperus* sp., *Hieracium* sp., *Persicaria* sp., *Scrophularia* sp.

Private/Public:

Private

Conservatism-Based Metrics:

Total Mean C:

3.6

Native Mean C:

4.1

Total FQI:

50.8

Native FQI:

54.2

Adjusted FQI:

38.4

% C value 0:

15.1

% C value 1-3:

28.1

% C value 4-6:

47.2

% C value 7-10:

9.5

Native Tree Mean C:

4.1

| | | |
|---------------------------|------|--------|
| Native Shrub Mean C: | 4.1 | |
| Native Herbaceous Mean C: | 4.2 | |
| Species Richness: | | |
| Total Species: | 199 | |
| Native Species: | 175 | 87.90% |
| Non-native Species: | 24 | 12.10% |
| Species Wetness: | | |
| Mean Wetness: | -1 | |
| Native Mean Wetness: | -1.2 | |
| Physiognomy Metrics: | | |
| Tree: | 25 | 12.60% |
| Shrub: | 23 | 11.60% |
| Vine: | 15 | 7.50% |
| Forb: | 102 | 51.30% |
| Grass: | 10 | 5% |
| Sedge: | 15 | 7.50% |
| Rush: | 0 | 0% |
| Fern: | 9 | 4.50% |
| Bryophyte: | 0 | 0% |
| Duration Metrics: | | |
| Annual: | 12 | 6% |
| Perennial: | 181 | 91% |
| Biennial: | 6 | 3% |
| Native Annual: | 10 | 5% |
| Native Perennial: | 162 | 81.40% |
| Native Biennial: | 3 | 1.50% |

Species:

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|------------------|-------------|---------|---------|---|----|-------------|-----------|--------------|
| Acer negundo | Sapindaceae | ACNEG | native | 0 | 0 | tree | perennial | box-elder |
| Acer rubrum | Sapindaceae | ACERUB | native | 1 | 0 | tree | perennial | red maple |
| Acer saccharinum | Sapindaceae | ACESAI | native | 2 | -3 | tree | perennial | silver maple |
| Acer saccharum | Sapindaceae | ACESAU | native | 5 | 3 | tree | perennial | sugar maple |

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| <i>Acorus calamus</i> | Acoraceae | ACOCAL | non-native | 0 | -5 | forb | perennial | calamus |
| <i>Agrimonia gryposepala</i> | Rosaceae | AGRGRY | native | 2 | 3 | forb | perennial | tall agrimony |
| <i>Alliaria petiolata</i> | Brassicaceae | ALLPET | non-native | 0 | 3 | forb | biennial | garlic mustard |
| <i>Alnus incana</i> ; <i>a. rugosa</i> | Betulaceae | ALNINC | native | 5 | -3 | shrub | perennial | speckled alder |
| <i>Ambrosia artemisiifolia</i> | Asteraceae | AMBART | native | 0 | 3 | forb | annual | common ragweed |
| <i>Amphicarpaea bracteata</i> | Fabaceae | AMPBRA | native | 5 | 0 | vine | annual | hog-peanut |
| <i>Anemone canadensis</i> | Ranunculaceae | ANECAN | native | 4 | -3 | forb | perennial | canada anemone |
| <i>Apios americana</i> | Fabaceae | APIAME | native | 3 | -3 | vine | perennial | groundnut |
| <i>Arctium minus</i> | Asteraceae | ARCMIN | non-native | 0 | 3 | forb | biennial | common burdock |
| <i>Arisaema dracontium</i> | Araceae | ARIDRA | native | 8 | -3 | forb | perennial | green dragon |
| <i>Arisaema triphyllum</i> | Araceae | ARITRI | native | 5 | 0 | forb | perennial | jack-in-the-pulpit |
| <i>Asarum canadense</i> | Aristolochiaceae | ASACAN | native | 5 | 5 | forb | perennial | wild-ginger |
| <i>Asclepias incarnata</i> | Apocynaceae | ASCINC | native | 6 | -5 | forb | perennial | swamp milkweed |
| <i>Athyrium filix-femina</i> | Athyriaceae | ATHFIL | native | 4 | 0 | fern | perennial | lady fern |
| <i>Berberis thunbergii</i> | Berberidaceae | BERTHU | non-native | 0 | 3 | shrub | perennial | japanese barberry |
| <i>Betula alleghaniensis</i> | Betulaceae | BETALL | native | 7 | 0 | tree | perennial | yellow birch |
| <i>Boehmeria cylindrica</i> | Urticaceae | BOECYL | native | 5 | -5 | forb | perennial | false nettle |
| <i>Caltha palustris</i> | Ranunculaceae | CALPAR | native | 6 | -5 | forb | perennial | marsh-marigold |
| <i>Calystegia sepium</i> | Convolvulaceae | CALSEP | native | 2 | 0 | vine | perennial | hedge bindweed |
| <i>Cardamine pensylvanica</i> | Brassicaceae | CARPEN | native | 1 | -3 | forb | biennial | pennsylvania bitter cress |
| <i>Carex bromoides</i> | Cyperaceae | CXBROM | native | 6 | -3 | sedge | perennial | sedge |
| <i>Carex crinita</i> | Cyperaceae | CXCRIN | native | 4 | -5 | sedge | perennial | sedge |
| <i>Carex cristatella</i> | Cyperaceae | CXCRIS | native | 3 | -3 | sedge | perennial | sedge |
| <i>Carex gracillima</i> | Cyperaceae | CXGRAA | native | 4 | 3 | sedge | perennial | sedge |
| <i>Carex grayi</i> | Cyperaceae | CXGRAY | native | 6 | -3 | sedge | perennial | sedge |
| <i>Carex grisea</i> ; <i>c. amphibola</i> | Cyperaceae | CXGRIS | native | 3 | 0 | sedge | perennial | sedge |
| <i>Carex lacustris</i> | Cyperaceae | CXLACU | native | 6 | -5 | sedge | perennial | sedge |
| <i>Carex lupulina</i> | Cyperaceae | CXLUPA | native | 4 | -5 | sedge | perennial | sedge |
| <i>Carex muskingumensis</i> | Cyperaceae | CXMUSK | native | 6 | -5 | sedge | perennial | sedge |
| <i>Carex pensylvanica</i> | Cyperaceae | CXPENS | native | 4 | 5 | sedge | perennial | sedge |
| <i>Carex retrorsa</i> | Cyperaceae | CXRETS | native | 3 | -5 | sedge | perennial | sedge |
| <i>Carex stipata</i> | Cyperaceae | CXSTIP | native | 1 | -5 | sedge | perennial | sedge |
| <i>Carex stricta</i> | Cyperaceae | CXSTRI | native | 4 | -5 | sedge | perennial | sedge |
| <i>Carex tribuloides</i> | Cyperaceae | CXTRIB | native | 3 | -3 | sedge | perennial | sedge |
| <i>Carex vulpinoidea</i> | Cyperaceae | CXVULP | native | 1 | -5 | sedge | perennial | sedge |
| <i>Carpinus caroliniana</i> | Betulaceae | CARCAO | native | 6 | 0 | tree | perennial | blue-beech |

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| <i>Carya cordiformis</i> | Juglandaceae | CARCOR | native | 5 | 0 | tree | perennial | bitternut hickory |
| <i>Celtis occidentalis</i> | Cannabaceae | CELOCC | native | 5 | 0 | tree | perennial | hackberry |
| <i>Cephalanthus occidentalis</i> | Rubiaceae | CEPOCC | native | 7 | -5 | shrub | perennial | buttonbush |
| <i>Chelone glabra</i> | Plantaginaceae | CHEGLB | native | 7 | -5 | forb | perennial | turtlehead |
| <i>Cicuta bulbifera</i> | Apiaceae | CICBUL | native | 5 | -5 | forb | perennial | water hemlock |
| <i>Cicuta maculata</i> | Apiaceae | CICMAC | native | 4 | -5 | forb | biennial | water hemlock |
| <i>Cinna arundinacea</i> | Poaceae | CINARU | native | 7 | -3 | grass | perennial | wood reedgrass |
| <i>Circaea canadensis</i> ; <i>c. lutetiana</i> | Onagraceae | CIRCAN | native | 2 | 3 | forb | perennial | enchanters-nightshade |
| <i>Cirsium vulgare</i> | Asteraceae | CIRVUL | non-native | 0 | 3 | forb | biennial | bull thistle |
| <i>Clematis virginiana</i> | Ranunculaceae | CLEVIR | native | 4 | 0 | vine | perennial | virgins bower |
| <i>Conyza canadensis</i> | Asteraceae | CONCAN | native | 0 | 3 | forb | annual | horseweed |
| <i>Cornus alternifolia</i> | Cornaceae | CORALT | native | 5 | 3 | tree | perennial | alternate-leaved dogwood |
| <i>Cornus foemina</i> | Cornaceae | CORFOE | native | 1 | 0 | shrub | perennial | gray dogwood |
| <i>Cornus sericea</i> ; <i>c. stolonifera</i> | Cornaceae | CORSER | native | 2 | -3 | shrub | perennial | red-osier |
| <i>Corylus americana</i> | Betulaceae | CORAMA | native | 5 | 3 | shrub | perennial | hazelnut |
| <i>Cuscuta gronovii</i> | Convolvulaceae | CUSGRO | native | 3 | -3 | vine | annual | common dodder |
| <i>Deparia acrostichoides</i> | Athyriaceae | DEPACR | native | 6 | 0 | fern | perennial | silvery spleenwort |
| <i>Dioscorea villosa</i> ; <i>dioscorea villosa</i> | Dioscoreaceae | DIOVIL | native | 4 | 0 | forb | perennial | wild yam |
| <i>Dryopteris goldiana</i> | Dryopteridaceae | DRYGOL | native | 10 | 0 | fern | perennial | goldies woodfern |
| <i>Echinocystis lobata</i> | Cucurbitaceae | ECHLOB | native | 2 | -3 | vine | annual | wild-cucumber |
| <i>Elymus hystrix</i> ; <i>hystrix patula</i> | Poaceae | ELYHYS | native | 5 | 3 | grass | perennial | bottlebrush grass |
| <i>Elymus riparius</i> | Poaceae | ELYRIP | native | 8 | -3 | grass | perennial | riverbank wild-rye |
| <i>Elymus virginicus</i> | Poaceae | ELYVIR | native | 4 | -3 | grass | perennial | virginia wild-rye |
| <i>Epilobium coloratum</i> | Onagraceae | EPICOL | native | 3 | -5 | forb | perennial | cinnamon willow-herb |
| <i>Equisetum fluviatile</i> | Equisetaceae | EQUFLU | native | 7 | -5 | fern | perennial | water horsetail |
| <i>Equisetum hyemale</i> | Equisetaceae | EQUHYE | native | 2 | 0 | fern | perennial | scouring rush |
| <i>Erechtites hieraciifolius</i> | Asteraceae | EREHIE | native | 2 | 3 | forb | annual | fireweed |
| <i>Erigeron philadelphicus</i> | Asteraceae | ERIPHI | native | 2 | 0 | forb | perennial | philadelphia fleabane |
| <i>Euonymus fortunei</i> | Celastraceae | EUOFOR | non-native | 0 | 5 | vine | perennial | wintercreeper |
| <i>Euonymus obovatus</i> | Celastraceae | EUOOBO | native | 5 | 3 | shrub | perennial | running strawberry-bush |
| <i>Eupatorium perfoliatum</i> | Asteraceae | EUPPER | native | 4 | -3 | forb | perennial | boneset |
| <i>Eutrochium maculatum</i> ; <i>eupatorium m.</i> | Asteraceae | EUTMAC | native | 4 | -5 | forb | perennial | joe-pye-weed |
| <i>Fagus grandifolia</i> | Fagaceae | FAGGRA | native | 6 | 3 | tree | perennial | american beech |
| <i>Fragaria vesca</i> | Rosaceae | FRAVES | native | 2 | 3 | forb | perennial | woodland strawberry |
| <i>Fragaria virginiana</i> | Rosaceae | FRAVIR | native | 2 | 3 | forb | perennial | wild strawberry |
| <i>Fraxinus americana</i> | Oleaceae | FRAAME | native | 5 | 3 | tree | perennial | white ash |

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| <i>Fraxinus nigra</i> | Oleaceae | FRANIG | native | 6 | -3 | tree | perennial | black ash |
| <i>Fraxinus pennsylvanica</i> | Oleaceae | FRAPEN | native | 2 | -3 | tree | perennial | red ash |
| <i>Galium aparine</i> | Rubiaceae | GALAPA | native | 0 | 3 | forb | annual | annual bedstraw |
| <i>Galium asprellum</i> | Rubiaceae | GALASP | native | 5 | -5 | vine | perennial | rough bedstraw |
| <i>Galium obtusum</i> | Rubiaceae | GALOBT | native | 5 | -3 | forb | perennial | wild madder |
| <i>Galium triflorum</i> | Rubiaceae | GALTRR | native | 4 | 3 | forb | perennial | fragrant bedstraw |
| <i>Geranium maculatum</i> | Geraniaceae | GERMAC | native | 4 | 3 | forb | perennial | wild geranium |
| <i>Geum canadense</i> | Rosaceae | GEUCAN | native | 1 | 0 | forb | perennial | white avens |
| <i>Glechoma hederacea</i> | Lamiaceae | GLEHED | non-native | 0 | 3 | forb | perennial | ground-ivy |
| <i>Glyceria striata</i> | Poaceae | GLYSTR | native | 4 | -5 | grass | perennial | fowl manna grass |
| <i>Hackelia virginiana</i> | Boraginaceae | HACVIR | native | 1 | 3 | forb | biennial | beggars lice |
| <i>Hamamelis virginiana</i> | Hamamelidaceae | HAMVIR | native | 5 | 3 | shrub | perennial | witch-hazel |
| <i>Helianthus strumosus</i> | Asteraceae | HELSTR | native | 4 | 5 | forb | perennial | pale-leaved sunflower |
| <i>Hesperis matronalis</i> | Brassicaceae | HESMAT | non-native | 0 | 3 | forb | perennial | dames rocket |
| <i>Hypericum punctatum</i> | Hypericaceae | HYPPUN | native | 4 | 0 | forb | perennial | spotted st. johns-wort |
| <i>Impatiens capensis</i> | Balsaminaceae | IMPCAP | native | 2 | -3 | forb | annual | spotted touch-me-not |
| <i>Iris pseudacorus</i> | Iridaceae | IRIPSE | non-native | 0 | -5 | forb | perennial | yellow flag |
| <i>Iris virginica</i> | Iridaceae | IRIVIR | native | 5 | -5 | forb | perennial | southern blue flag |
| <i>Juglans nigra</i> | Juglandaceae | JUGNIG | native | 5 | 3 | tree | perennial | black walnut |
| <i>Juncus effusus</i> | Juncaceae | JUNEFF | native | 3 | -5 | forb | perennial | soft-stemmed rush |
| <i>Laportea canadensis</i> | Urticaceae | LAPCAN | native | 4 | -3 | forb | perennial | wood nettle |
| <i>Leersia oryzoides</i> | Poaceae | LEEORY | native | 3 | -5 | grass | perennial | cut grass |
| <i>Leersia virginica</i> | Poaceae | LEEVIR | native | 5 | -3 | grass | perennial | white grass |
| <i>Lemna minor</i> | Araceae | LEMMIN | native | 5 | -5 | forb | perennial | common duckweed |
| <i>Lindera benzoin</i> | Lauraceae | LINBEN | native | 7 | -3 | shrub | perennial | spicebush |
| <i>Lobelia cardinalis</i> | Campanulaceae | LOBCAR | native | 7 | -5 | forb | perennial | cardinal-flower |
| <i>Lobelia siphilitica</i> | Campanulaceae | LOBSIP | native | 4 | -3 | forb | perennial | great blue lobelia |
| <i>Lonicera morrowii</i> | Caprifoliaceae | LONMOR | non-native | 0 | 3 | shrub | perennial | morrow honeysuckle |
| <i>Ludwigia palustris</i> | Onagraceae | LUDPAL | native | 4 | -5 | forb | perennial | water-purslane |
| <i>Lycopus uniflorus</i> | Lamiaceae | LYCUNI | native | 2 | -5 | forb | perennial | northern bugle weed |
| <i>Lycopus virginicus</i> | Lamiaceae | LYCVIR | native | 8 | -5 | forb | perennial | bugle weed |
| <i>Lysimachia ciliata</i> | Myrsinaceae | LYSCIL | native | 4 | -3 | forb | perennial | fringed loosestrife |
| <i>Lysimachia nummularia</i> | Myrsinaceae | LYSNUM | non-native | 0 | -3 | forb | perennial | moneywort |
| <i>Lythrum salicaria</i> | Lythraceae | LYTSAL | non-native | 0 | -5 | forb | perennial | purple loosestrife |
| <i>Maianthemum racemosum</i> ; <i>smilacina</i> r. | Convallariaceae | MAIRAC | native | 5 | 3 | forb | perennial | false spikenard |
| <i>Maianthemum stellatum</i> ; <i>smilacina</i> s. | Convallariaceae | MAISTE | native | 5 | 0 | forb | perennial | starry false solomon-seal |

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| Matteuccia struthiopteris | Onocleaceae | MATSTR | native | 3 | 0 | fern | perennial | ostrich fern |
| Menispermum canadense | Menispermaceae | MENCAE | native | 5 | 0 | vine | perennial | moonseed |
| Mentha spicata | Lamiaceae | MENSPI | non-native | 0 | -3 | forb | perennial | spearmint |
| Micranthes pensylvanica; saxifraga p. | Saxifragaceae | MICPEN | native | 10 | -5 | forb | perennial | swamp saxifrage |
| Mimulus ringens | Phrymaceae | MIMRIN | native | 5 | -5 | forb | perennial | monkey-flower |
| Nuphar advena | Nymphaeaceae | NUPADV | native | 8 | -5 | forb | perennial | yellow pond-lily |
| Onoclea sensibilis | Onocleaceae | ONOSEN | native | 2 | -3 | fern | perennial | sensitive fern |
| Osmunda cinnamomea | Osmundaceae | OSMCIN | native | 5 | -3 | fern | perennial | cinnamon fern |
| Oxalis stricta; o. fontana | Oxalidaceae | OXASTR | native | 0 | 3 | forb | perennial | yellow wood-sorrel |
| Parthenocissus quinquefolia | Vitaceae | PARQUI | native | 5 | 3 | vine | perennial | virginia creeper |
| Penthorum sedoides | Penthoraceae | PENSED | native | 3 | -5 | forb | perennial | ditch stonecrop |
| Persicaria punctata; polygonum p. | Polygonaceae | PERPUN | native | 5 | -5 | forb | annual | smartweed |
| Persicaria virginiana; polygonum v. | Polygonaceae | PERVIR | native | 4 | 0 | forb | perennial | jumpseed |
| Phalaris arundinacea | Poaceae | PHAARU | native | 0 | -3 | grass | perennial | reed canary grass |
| Physocarpus opulifolius | Rosaceae | PHYOPU | native | 4 | -3 | shrub | perennial | ninebark |
| Phytolacca americana | Phytolaccaceae | PHYAME | native | 2 | 3 | forb | perennial | pokeweed |
| Pilea pumila | Urticaceae | PILPUM | native | 5 | -3 | forb | annual | clearweed |
| Poa compressa | Poaceae | POACOM | non-native | 0 | 3 | grass | perennial | canada bluegrass |
| Poa pratensis | Poaceae | POAPRA | non-native | 0 | 3 | grass | perennial | kentucky bluegrass |
| Podophyllum peltatum | Berberidaceae | PODPEL | native | 3 | 3 | forb | perennial | may-apple |
| Polygonatum pubescens | Convallariaceae | POLPUB | native | 5 | 5 | forb | perennial | downy solomon seal |
| Pontederia cordata | Pontederiaceae | PONCOR | native | 8 | -5 | forb | perennial | pickerel-weed |
| Populus deltoides | Salicaceae | POPDEL | native | 1 | 0 | tree | perennial | cottonwood |
| Potentilla simplex | Rosaceae | POTSIM | native | 2 | 3 | forb | perennial | old-field cinquefoil |
| Prunus serotina | Rosaceae | PRUSER | native | 2 | 3 | tree | perennial | wild black cherry |
| Prunus virginiana | Rosaceae | PRUVIR | native | 2 | 3 | shrub | perennial | choke cherry |
| Quercus alba | Fagaceae | QUEALB | native | 5 | 3 | tree | perennial | white oak |
| Quercus bicolor | Fagaceae | QUEBIC | native | 8 | -3 | tree | perennial | swamp white oak |
| Quercus macrocarpa | Fagaceae | QUEMAC | native | 5 | 3 | tree | perennial | bur oak |
| Quercus rubra | Fagaceae | QUERUB | native | 5 | 3 | tree | perennial | red oak |
| Ranunculus hispidus | Ranunculaceae | RANHIS | native | 5 | 0 | forb | perennial | swamp buttercup |
| Ranunculus recurvatus | Ranunculaceae | RANREC | native | 5 | -3 | forb | perennial | hooked crowfoot |
| Rhamnus cathartica | Rhamnaceae | RHACAT | non-native | 0 | 0 | tree | perennial | common buckthorn |
| Ribes americanum | Grossulariaceae | RIBAME | native | 6 | -3 | shrub | perennial | wild black currant |
| Rosa multiflora | Rosaceae | ROSMUL | non-native | 0 | 3 | shrub | perennial | multiflora rose |
| Rubus allegheniensis | Rosaceae | RUBALL | native | 1 | 3 | shrub | perennial | common blackberry |

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| <i>Rubus occidentalis</i> | Rosaceae | RUBOCC | native | 1 | 5 | shrub | perennial | black raspberry |
| <i>Rudbeckia laciniata</i> | Asteraceae | RUDLAC | native | 6 | -3 | forb | perennial | cut-leaf coneflower |
| <i>Rumex orbiculatus</i> | Polygonaceae | RUMORB | native | 9 | -5 | forb | perennial | great water dock |
| <i>Rumex verticillatus</i> | Polygonaceae | RUMVER | native | 7 | -5 | forb | perennial | water dock |
| <i>Sagittaria latifolia</i> | Alismataceae | SAGLAT | native | 4 | -5 | forb | perennial | common arrowhead |
| <i>Salix nigra</i> | Salicaceae | SALNIG | native | 5 | -5 | tree | perennial | black willow |
| <i>Salix petiolaris</i> | Salicaceae | SALPET | native | 1 | -3 | shrub | perennial | slender willow |
| <i>Sambucus canadensis</i> | Adoxaceae | SAMCAN | native | 3 | -3 | shrub | perennial | elderberry |
| <i>Samolus parviflorus</i> | Theophrastaceae | SAMPAR | native | 5 | -5 | forb | perennial | water-pimpernel |
| <i>Sanguinaria canadensis</i> | Papaveraceae | SANCAA | native | 5 | 3 | forb | perennial | bloodroot |
| <i>Sanicula odorata</i> ; <i>s. gregaria</i> | Apiaceae | SANODO | native | 2 | 0 | forb | perennial | black snakeroot |
| <i>Saururus cernuus</i> | Saururaceae | SAUCER | native | 9 | -5 | forb | perennial | lizards-tail |
| <i>Scutellaria lateriflora</i> | Lamiaceae | SCULAT | native | 5 | -5 | forb | perennial | mad-dog skullcap |
| <i>Sium suave</i> | Apiaceae | SIUSUA | native | 5 | -5 | forb | perennial | water-parsnip |
| <i>Smilax hispida</i> ; <i>s. tamnoides</i> | Smilacaceae | SMIHIS | native | 5 | 0 | vine | perennial | bristly greenbrier |
| <i>Solanum dulcamara</i> | Solanaceae | SOLDUL | non-native | 0 | 0 | vine | perennial | bittersweet nightshade |
| <i>Solidago caesia</i> | Asteraceae | SOLCAE | native | 6 | 3 | forb | perennial | bluestem goldenrod |
| <i>Solidago gigantea</i> | Asteraceae | SOLGIG | native | 3 | -3 | forb | perennial | late goldenrod |
| <i>Solidago patula</i> | Asteraceae | SOLPAT | native | 6 | -5 | forb | perennial | swamp goldenrod |
| <i>Stachys palustris</i> | Lamiaceae | STAPAL | non-native | 0 | -5 | forb | perennial | woundwort |
| <i>Staphylea trifolia</i> | Staphyleaceae | STATRI | native | 9 | 0 | shrub | perennial | bladdernut |
| <i>Symphotrichum firmum</i> ; <i>aster puniceus</i> | Asteraceae | SYMFIR | native | 4 | -3 | forb | perennial | smooth swamp aster |
| <i>Symphotrichum lateriflorum</i> ; <i>aster l.</i> | Asteraceae | SYMLAT | native | 2 | 0 | forb | perennial | calico aster |
| <i>Symphotrichum ontarionis</i> ; <i>aster o.</i> | Asteraceae | SYMONT | native | 6 | 0 | forb | perennial | lake ontario aster |
| <i>Symplocarpus foetidus</i> | Araceae | SYMFOE | native | 6 | -5 | forb | perennial | skunk-cabbage |
| <i>Taraxacum officinale</i> | Asteraceae | TAROFF | non-native | 0 | 3 | forb | perennial | common dandelion |
| <i>Teucrium canadense</i> | Lamiaceae | TEUCAN | native | 4 | -3 | forb | perennial | wood-sage |
| <i>Thalictrum dasycarpum</i> | Ranunculaceae | THADAS | native | 3 | -3 | forb | perennial | purple meadow-rue |
| <i>Thalictrum dioicum</i> | Ranunculaceae | THADIO | native | 6 | 3 | forb | perennial | early meadow-rue |
| <i>Thelypteris palustris</i> | Thelypteridaceae | THEPAL | native | 2 | -3 | fern | perennial | marsh fern |
| <i>Tilia americana</i> | Malvaceae | TILAME | native | 5 | 3 | tree | perennial | basswood |
| <i>Torilis japonica</i> | Apiaceae | TORJAP | non-native | 0 | 3 | forb | annual | hedge-parsley |
| <i>Toxicodendron radicans</i> | Anacardiaceae | TOXRAD | native | 2 | 0 | vine | perennial | poison-ivy |
| <i>Toxicodendron vernix</i> | Anacardiaceae | TOXVER | native | 6 | -5 | shrub | perennial | poison sumac |
| <i>Trillium grandiflorum</i> | Trilliaceae | TRIGRA | native | 5 | 3 | forb | perennial | common trillium |
| <i>Triosteum aurantiacum</i> | Caprifoliaceae | TRIAUN | native | 5 | 5 | forb | perennial | horse-gentian |

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| Typha angustifolia | Typhaceae | TYPANG | non-native | 0 | -5 | forb | perennial | narrow-leaved cat-tail |
| Typha latifolia | Typhaceae | TYPLAT | native | 1 | -5 | forb | perennial | broad-leaved cat-tail |
| Ulmus americana | Ulmaceae | ULMAME | native | 1 | -3 | tree | perennial | american elm |
| Ulmus rubra | Ulmaceae | ULMRUB | native | 2 | 0 | tree | perennial | slippery elm |
| Urtica dioica | Urticaceae | URTDIO | native | 1 | 0 | forb | perennial | stinging nettle |
| Verbena hastata | Verbenaceae | VERHAS | native | 4 | -3 | forb | perennial | blue vervain |
| Verbena urticifolia | Verbenaceae | VERURT | native | 4 | 0 | forb | perennial | white vervain |
| Viburnum lentago | Adoxaceae | VIBLEN | native | 4 | 0 | shrub | perennial | nannyberry |
| Viburnum opulus | Adoxaceae | VIBOPU | non-native | 0 | -3 | shrub | perennial | european highbush-cranberry |
| Viola sororia | Violaceae | VIOSOR | native | 1 | 0 | forb | perennial | common blue violet |
| Viola striata | Violaceae | VIOSTR | native | 5 | -3 | forb | perennial | cream violet |
| Vitis aestivalis | Vitaceae | VITAES | native | 6 | 3 | vine | perennial | summer grape |
| Vitis riparia | Vitaceae | VITRIP | native | 3 | 0 | vine | perennial | river-bank grape |
| Xanthium strumarium | Asteraceae | XANSTR | non-native | 0 | 0 | forb | annual | common cocklebur |
| Zanthoxylum americanum | Rutaceae | ZANAME | native | 3 | 3 | shrub | perennial | prickly-ash |

**Appendix G:
Floristic Quality Assessment – Dietz Rd. West**

Red Cedar River - Dietz Road W

06/12/2014

Red Cedar River

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FQA DB Region:

Michigan

FQA DB Publication Year:

2014

FQA DB Description:

Reznicek, A.A., M.R. Penskar, B.S. Walters, and B.S. Slaughter. 2014. Michigan Floristic Quality Assessment Database. Herbarium, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, MI and Michigan Natural Features Inventory, Michigan State University, Lansing, MI. <http://michiganflora.net>

Practitioner:

Brad Slaughter, John Paskus

Latitude:

42.6887

Longitude:

-84.2359

Weather Notes:

Duration Notes:

Community Type Notes:

floodplain forest, mesic southern forest

Other Notes:

North of Red Cedar River between Doan Creek (W) and Dietz Road (E), including YMCA Camp Pa-Wa-Pi and private tracts N of the river and E of the YMCA Camp. Additional surveys 13 June (Slaughter, Paskus), 15 August (B. Slaughter), 9 September (B. Slaughter). Also noted: *Bidens* sp., *Carex* sp., *Mentha* sp., *Persicaria* sp., *Poa* sp., *Prenanthes* sp., unknown grass.

Private/Public:

Public

Conservatism-Based Metrics:

Total Mean C:

3.8

Native Mean C:

4.2

Total FQI:

58

Native FQI:

60.7

Adjusted FQI:

39.8

% C value 0:

12.9

% C value 1-3:

25.3

% C value 4-6:

53.6

% C value 7-10:

8.2

Native Tree Mean C: 4.3
 Native Shrub Mean C: 4.1
 Native Herbaceous Mean C: 4.2

Species Richness:
 Total Species: 233
 Native Species: 209 89.70%
 Non-native Species: 24 10.30%

Species Wetness:
 Mean Wetness: -0.1
 Native Mean Wetness: -0.3

Physiognomy Metrics:
 Tree: 32 13.70%
 Shrub: 26 11.20%
 Vine: 10 4.30%
 Forb: 121 51.90%
 Grass: 13 5.60%
 Sedge: 21 9%
 Rush: 0 0%
 Fern: 10 4.30%
 Bryophyte: 0 0%

Duration Metrics:
 Annual: 11 4.70%
 Perennial: 214 91.80%
 Biennial: 8 3.40%
 Native Annual: 9 3.90%
 Native Perennial: 196 84.10%
 Native Biennial: 4 1.70%

Species:

| Scientific Name | Family | Acronym | Native? | C | W | Physiognomy | Duration | Common Name |
|---------------------------|-------------|---------|---------|---|----|-------------|-----------|--------------|
| Acer negundo | Sapindaceae | ACENEG | native | 0 | 0 | tree | perennial | box-elder |
| Acer nigrum; a. saccharum | Sapindaceae | ACENIG | native | 4 | 3 | tree | perennial | black maple |
| Acer rubrum | Sapindaceae | ACERUB | native | 1 | 0 | tree | perennial | red maple |
| Acer saccharinum | Sapindaceae | ACESAI | native | 2 | -3 | tree | perennial | silver maple |

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|---|------------------|---------|------------|---|----|-------------|-----------|---------------------------|
| <i>Acer saccharum</i> | Sapindaceae | ACESAU | native | 5 | 3 | tree | perennial | sugar maple |
| <i>Acorus calamus</i> | Acoraceae | ACOCAL | non-native | 0 | -5 | forb | perennial | calamus |
| <i>Actaea pachypoda</i> | Ranunculaceae | ACTPAC | native | 7 | 5 | forb | perennial | dolls-eyes |
| <i>Agrimonia gryposepala</i> | Rosaceae | AGRGRY | native | 2 | 3 | forb | perennial | tall agrimony |
| <i>Agrimonia pubescens</i> | Rosaceae | AGRPUB | native | 5 | 5 | forb | perennial | soft agrimony |
| <i>Agrostis perennans</i> | Poaceae | AGRPER | native | 5 | 3 | grass | perennial | autumn bent |
| <i>Alisma subcordatum</i> ; a. <i>plantago-aquatica</i> | Alismataceae | ALISUB | native | 1 | -5 | forb | perennial | southern water-plantain |
| <i>Alliaria petiolata</i> | Brassicaceae | ALLPET | non-native | 0 | 3 | forb | biennial | garlic mustard |
| <i>Allium canadense</i> | Alliaceae | ALLCAN | native | 4 | 3 | forb | perennial | wild garlic |
| <i>Allium tricoccum</i> | Alliaceae | ALLTRI | native | 5 | 3 | forb | perennial | wild leek |
| <i>Ambrosia trifida</i> | Asteraceae | AMBTRI | native | 0 | 0 | forb | annual | giant ragweed |
| <i>Amelanchier arborea</i> | Rosaceae | AMEARB | native | 4 | 3 | tree | perennial | juneberry |
| <i>Amphicarpaea bracteata</i> | Fabaceae | AMPBRA | native | 5 | 0 | vine | annual | hog-peanut |
| <i>Anemone canadensis</i> | Ranunculaceae | ANECAN | native | 4 | -3 | forb | perennial | canada anemone |
| <i>Anemone quinquefolia</i> | Ranunculaceae | ANEQUI | native | 5 | 3 | forb | perennial | wood anemone |
| <i>Anemone virginiana</i> | Ranunculaceae | ANEVIR | native | 3 | 3 | forb | perennial | thimbleweed |
| <i>Apios americana</i> | Fabaceae | APIAME | native | 3 | -3 | vine | perennial | groundnut |
| <i>Apocynum androsaemifolium</i> | Apocynaceae | APOAND | native | 3 | 5 | forb | perennial | spreading dogbane |
| <i>Apocynum cannabinum</i> ; a. <i>sibiricum</i> | Apocynaceae | APOCAN | native | 3 | 0 | forb | perennial | indian-hemp |
| <i>Arctium minus</i> | Asteraceae | ARCMIN | non-native | 0 | 3 | forb | biennial | common burdock |
| <i>Arisaema dracontium</i> | Araceae | ARIDRA | native | 8 | -3 | forb | perennial | green dragon |
| <i>Arisaema triphyllum</i> | Araceae | ARITRI | native | 5 | 0 | forb | perennial | jack-in-the-pulpit |
| <i>Asarum canadense</i> | Aristolochiaceae | ASACAN | native | 5 | 5 | forb | perennial | wild-ginger |
| <i>Asclepias incarnata</i> | Apocynaceae | ASCINC | native | 6 | -5 | forb | perennial | swamp milkweed |
| <i>Athyrium filix-femina</i> | Athyriaceae | ATHFIL | native | 4 | 0 | fern | perennial | lady fern |
| <i>Berberis thunbergii</i> | Berberidaceae | BERTHU | non-native | 0 | 3 | shrub | perennial | japanese barberry |
| <i>Blephilia hirsuta</i> | Lamiaceae | BLEHIR | native | 8 | 3 | forb | perennial | wood mint |
| <i>Bromus pubescens</i> | Poaceae | BROPUB | native | 5 | 3 | grass | perennial | canada brome |
| <i>Caltha palustris</i> | Ranunculaceae | CALPAR | native | 6 | -5 | forb | perennial | marsh-marigold |
| <i>Capnoides sempervirens</i> ; <i>corydalis</i> s. | Papaveraceae | CAPSEM | native | 5 | 5 | forb | biennial | pink or pale corydalis |
| <i>Cardamine bulbosa</i> | Brassicaceae | CARBUL | native | 4 | -5 | forb | perennial | spring cress |
| <i>Cardamine pensylvanica</i> | Brassicaceae | CARPEN | native | 1 | -3 | forb | biennial | pennsylvania bitter cress |
| <i>Carex bromoides</i> | Cyperaceae | CXBROM | native | 6 | -3 | sedge | perennial | sedge |
| <i>Carex cephaloidea</i> | Cyperaceae | CXCEPD | native | 5 | 3 | sedge | perennial | sedge |
| <i>Carex communis</i> | Cyperaceae | CXCOMM | native | 2 | 5 | sedge | perennial | sedge |
| <i>Carex crinita</i> | Cyperaceae | CXCRIN | native | 4 | -5 | sedge | perennial | sedge |
| <i>Carex cristatella</i> | Cyperaceae | CXCRIS | native | 3 | -3 | sedge | perennial | sedge |

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|---|-----------------|---------|------------|---|----|-------------|-----------|--------------------------|
| <i>Carex gracillima</i> | Cyperaceae | CXGRAA | native | 4 | 3 | sedge | perennial | sedge |
| <i>Carex granularis</i> | Cyperaceae | CXGRAN | native | 2 | -3 | sedge | perennial | sedge |
| <i>Carex grayi</i> | Cyperaceae | CXGRAY | native | 6 | -3 | sedge | perennial | sedge |
| <i>Carex grisea</i> ; c. <i>amphibola</i> | Cyperaceae | CXGRIS | native | 3 | 0 | sedge | perennial | sedge |
| <i>Carex hirtifolia</i> | Cyperaceae | CXHIRI | native | 5 | 3 | sedge | perennial | sedge |
| <i>Carex hystericina</i> | Cyperaceae | CXHYST | native | 2 | -5 | sedge | perennial | sedge |
| <i>Carex lacustris</i> | Cyperaceae | CXLACU | native | 6 | -5 | sedge | perennial | sedge |
| <i>Carex lupulina</i> | Cyperaceae | CXLUPA | native | 4 | -5 | sedge | perennial | sedge |
| <i>Carex muskingumensis</i> | Cyperaceae | CXMUSK | native | 6 | -5 | sedge | perennial | sedge |
| <i>Carex pedunculata</i> | Cyperaceae | CXPEDU | native | 5 | 3 | sedge | perennial | sedge |
| <i>Carex pensylvanica</i> | Cyperaceae | CXPENS | native | 4 | 5 | sedge | perennial | sedge |
| <i>Carex sparganioides</i> | Cyperaceae | CXSPAR | native | 5 | 3 | sedge | perennial | sedge |
| <i>Carex stipata</i> | Cyperaceae | CXSTIP | native | 1 | -5 | sedge | perennial | sedge |
| <i>Carex swanii</i> | Cyperaceae | CXSWAN | native | 4 | 3 | sedge | perennial | sedge |
| <i>Carpinus caroliniana</i> | Betulaceae | CARCAO | native | 6 | 0 | tree | perennial | blue-beech |
| <i>Carya cordiformis</i> | Juglandaceae | CARCOR | native | 5 | 0 | tree | perennial | bitternut hickory |
| <i>Carya ovata</i> | Juglandaceae | CAROVA | native | 5 | 3 | tree | perennial | shagbark hickory |
| <i>Caulophyllum thalictroides</i> | Berberidaceae | CAUTHA | native | 5 | 5 | forb | perennial | blue cohosh |
| <i>Cephalanthus occidentalis</i> | Rubiaceae | CEPOCC | native | 7 | -5 | shrub | perennial | buttonbush |
| <i>Chelone glabra</i> | Plantaginaceae | CHEGLB | native | 7 | -5 | forb | perennial | turtlehead |
| <i>Cicuta maculata</i> | Apiaceae | CICMAC | native | 4 | -5 | forb | biennial | water hemlock |
| <i>Cinna arundinacea</i> | Poaceae | CINARU | native | 7 | -3 | grass | perennial | wood reedgrass |
| <i>Circaea canadensis</i> ; c. <i>lutetiana</i> | Onagraceae | CIRCAN | native | 2 | 3 | forb | perennial | enchanters-nightshade |
| <i>Conium maculatum</i> | Apiaceae | CONMAC | non-native | 0 | -3 | forb | biennial | poison-hemlock |
| <i>Cornus alternifolia</i> | Cornaceae | CORALT | native | 5 | 3 | tree | perennial | alternate-leaved dogwood |
| <i>Cornus florida</i> | Cornaceae | CORFLO | native | 8 | 3 | tree | perennial | flowering dogwood |
| <i>Cornus foemina</i> | Cornaceae | CORFOE | native | 1 | 0 | shrub | perennial | gray dogwood |
| <i>Corylus americana</i> | Betulaceae | CORAMA | native | 5 | 3 | shrub | perennial | hazelnut |
| <i>Crataegus crus-galli</i> ; c. <i>fontanesiana</i> | Rosaceae | CRACRU | native | 5 | 0 | tree | perennial | cockspur thorn |
| <i>Crataegus mollis</i> | Rosaceae | CRAMOL | native | 2 | 0 | tree | perennial | hawthorn |
| <i>Cryptotaenia canadensis</i> | Apiaceae | CRYCAN | native | 2 | 0 | forb | perennial | honestwort |
| <i>Cuscuta gronovii</i> | Convolvulaceae | CUSGRO | native | 3 | -3 | vine | annual | common dodder |
| <i>Dichanthelium clandestinum</i> ; <i>panicum</i> c. | Poaceae | DICCLA | native | 3 | -3 | grass | perennial | panic grass |
| <i>Dichanthelium latifolium</i> ; <i>panicum</i> l. | Poaceae | DICLAT | native | 5 | 3 | grass | perennial | broad-leaved panic grass |
| <i>Dioscorea villosa</i> ; <i>dioscorea villosa</i> | Dioscoreaceae | DIOVIL | native | 4 | 0 | forb | perennial | wild yam |
| <i>Doellingeria umbellata</i> ; <i>aster</i> u. | Asteraceae | DOEUMB | native | 5 | -3 | forb | perennial | flat-topped white aster |
| <i>Dryopteris carthusiana</i> | Dryopteridaceae | DRYCAR | native | 5 | -3 | fern | perennial | spinulose woodfern |

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|---|----------------|---------|------------|----|----|-------------|-----------|-------------------------------|
| <i>Echinocystis lobata</i> | Cucurbitaceae | ECHLOB | native | 2 | -3 | vine | annual | wild-cucumber |
| <i>Elymus virginicus</i> | Poaceae | ELYVIR | native | 4 | -3 | grass | perennial | virginia wild-rye |
| <i>Epifagus virginiana</i> | Orobanchaceae | EPIVIR | native | 10 | 5 | forb | annual | beech-drops |
| <i>Epilobium hirsutum</i> | Onagraceae | EPIHIR | non-native | 0 | -3 | forb | perennial | great hairy willow-herb |
| <i>Equisetum hyemale</i> | Equisetaceae | EQUHYE | native | 2 | 0 | fern | perennial | scouring rush |
| <i>Erigeron philadelphicus</i> | Asteraceae | ERIPHI | native | 2 | 0 | forb | perennial | philadelphia fleabane |
| <i>Euonymus alatus</i> | Celastraceae | EUOALA | non-native | 0 | 5 | shrub | perennial | winged euonymus |
| <i>Euonymus obovatus</i> | Celastraceae | EUOOBO | native | 5 | 3 | shrub | perennial | running strawberry-bush |
| <i>Eupatorium perfoliatum</i> | Asteraceae | EUPPER | native | 4 | -3 | forb | perennial | boneset |
| <i>Eurybia macrophylla</i> ; aster m. | Asteraceae | EURMAC | native | 4 | 5 | forb | perennial | big-leaved aster |
| <i>Eutrochium maculatum</i> ; eupatorium m. | Asteraceae | EUTMAC | native | 4 | -5 | forb | perennial | joe-pye-weed |
| <i>Eutrochium purpureum</i> ; eupatorium p. | Asteraceae | EUTPUR | native | 5 | 0 | forb | perennial | green-stemmed joe-pye-weed |
| <i>Fagus grandifolia</i> | Fagaceae | FAGGRA | native | 6 | 3 | tree | perennial | american beech |
| <i>Festuca subverticillata</i> ; f. obtusa | Poaceae | FESSUB | native | 5 | 3 | grass | perennial | nodding fescue |
| <i>Fragaria virginiana</i> | Rosaceae | FRAVIR | native | 2 | 3 | forb | perennial | wild strawberry |
| <i>Fraxinus americana</i> | Oleaceae | FRAAME | native | 5 | 3 | tree | perennial | white ash |
| <i>Fraxinus pennsylvanica</i> | Oleaceae | FRAPEN | native | 2 | -3 | tree | perennial | red ash |
| <i>Galium aparine</i> | Rubiaceae | GALAPA | native | 0 | 3 | forb | annual | annual bedstraw |
| <i>Galium obtusum</i> | Rubiaceae | GALOBT | native | 5 | -3 | forb | perennial | wild madder |
| <i>Galium triflorum</i> | Rubiaceae | GALTRR | native | 4 | 3 | forb | perennial | fragrant bedstraw |
| <i>Geranium maculatum</i> | Geraniaceae | GERMAC | native | 4 | 3 | forb | perennial | wild geranium |
| <i>Geum canadense</i> | Rosaceae | GEUCAN | native | 1 | 0 | forb | perennial | white avens |
| <i>Glechoma hederacea</i> | Lamiaceae | GLEHED | non-native | 0 | 3 | forb | perennial | ground-ivy |
| <i>Glyceria striata</i> | Poaceae | GLYSTR | native | 4 | -5 | grass | perennial | fowl manna grass |
| <i>Hackelia virginiana</i> | Boraginaceae | HACVIR | native | 1 | 3 | forb | biennial | beggars lice |
| <i>Hamamelis virginiana</i> | Hamamelidaceae | HAMVIR | native | 5 | 3 | shrub | perennial | witch-hazel |
| <i>Hesperis matronalis</i> | Brassicaceae | HESMAT | non-native | 0 | 3 | forb | perennial | dames rocket |
| <i>Hylodesmum glutinosum</i> ; desmodium g. | Fabaceae | HYLGLU | native | 5 | 5 | forb | perennial | clustered-leaved tick-trefoil |
| <i>Hypericum punctatum</i> | Hypericaceae | HYPPUN | native | 4 | 0 | forb | perennial | spotted st. johns-wort |
| <i>Ilex verticillata</i> | Aquifoliaceae | ILEVER | native | 5 | -3 | shrub | perennial | michigan holly |
| <i>Impatiens capensis</i> | Balsaminaceae | IMPCAP | native | 2 | -3 | forb | annual | spotted touch-me-not |
| <i>Iris virginica</i> | Iridaceae | IRIVIR | native | 5 | -5 | forb | perennial | southern blue flag |
| <i>Juncus effusus</i> | Juncaceae | JUNEFF | native | 3 | -5 | forb | perennial | soft-stemmed rush |
| <i>Laportea canadensis</i> | Urticaceae | LAPCAN | native | 4 | -3 | forb | perennial | wood nettle |
| <i>Leersia oryzoides</i> | Poaceae | LEEORY | native | 3 | -5 | grass | perennial | cut grass |
| <i>Leersia virginica</i> | Poaceae | LEEVIR | native | 5 | -3 | grass | perennial | white grass |
| <i>Lemna minor</i> | Araceae | LEMMIN | native | 5 | -5 | forb | perennial | common duckweed |

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| <i>Leonurus cardiaca</i> | Lamiaceae | LEOCAR | non-native | 0 | 5 | forb | perennial | motherwort |
| <i>Lilium michiganense</i> | Liliaceae | LILMIC | native | 5 | -3 | forb | perennial | michigan lily |
| <i>Lobelia cardinalis</i> | Campanulaceae | LOBCAR | native | 7 | -5 | forb | perennial | cardinal-flower |
| <i>Lobelia siphilitica</i> | Campanulaceae | LOBSIP | native | 4 | -3 | forb | perennial | great blue lobelia |
| <i>Lonicera dioica</i> | Caprifoliaceae | LONDIO | native | 5 | 3 | vine | perennial | red honeysuckle |
| <i>Lonicera morrowii</i> | Caprifoliaceae | LONMOR | non-native | 0 | 3 | shrub | perennial | morrow honeysuckle |
| <i>Luzula acuminata</i> | Juncaceae | LUZACU | native | 5 | 3 | forb | perennial | hairy wood rush |
| <i>Lycopus rubellus</i> | Lamiaceae | LYCRUB | native | 8 | -5 | forb | perennial | stalked water horehound |
| <i>Lycopus uniflorus</i> | Lamiaceae | LYCUNI | native | 2 | -5 | forb | perennial | northern bugle weed |
| <i>Lycopus virginicus</i> | Lamiaceae | LYCVIR | native | 8 | -5 | forb | perennial | bugle weed |
| <i>Lysimachia ciliata</i> | Myrsinaceae | LYSCIL | native | 4 | -3 | forb | perennial | fringed loosestrife |
| <i>Lysimachia thyrsoflora</i> | Myrsinaceae | LYSTHY | native | 6 | -5 | forb | perennial | tufted loosestrife |
| <i>Maianthemum canadense</i> | Convallariaceae | MAICAN | native | 4 | 3 | forb | perennial | canada mayflower |
| <i>Maianthemum racemosum</i> ; <i>smilacina</i> r. | Convallariaceae | MAIRAC | native | 5 | 3 | forb | perennial | false spikenard |
| <i>Maianthemum stellatum</i> ; <i>smilacina</i> s. | Convallariaceae | MAISTE | native | 5 | 0 | forb | perennial | starry false solomon-seal |
| <i>Matteuccia struthiopteris</i> | Onocleaceae | MATSTR | native | 3 | 0 | fern | perennial | ostrich fern |
| <i>Mentha spicata</i> | Lamiaceae | MENSPI | non-native | 0 | -3 | forb | perennial | spearmint |
| <i>Mimulus ringens</i> | Phrymaceae | MIMRIN | native | 5 | -5 | forb | perennial | monkey-flower |
| <i>Mitchella repens</i> | Rubiaceae | MITREP | native | 5 | 3 | forb | perennial | partridge-berry |
| <i>Mitella diphylla</i> | Saxifragaceae | MITDIP | native | 8 | 3 | forb | perennial | bishops-cap |
| <i>Monotropa uniflora</i> | Ericaceae | MONOUN | native | 5 | 3 | forb | perennial | indian-pipe |
| <i>Onoclea sensibilis</i> | Onocleaceae | ONOSEN | native | 2 | -3 | fern | perennial | sensitive fern |
| <i>Osmunda cinnamomea</i> | Osmundaceae | OSMCIN | native | 5 | -3 | fern | perennial | cinnamon fern |
| <i>Osmunda regalis</i> | Osmundaceae | OSMREG | native | 5 | -5 | fern | perennial | royal fern |
| <i>Ostrya virginiana</i> | Betulaceae | OSTVIR | native | 5 | 3 | tree | perennial | ironwood; hop-hornbeam |
| <i>Oxalis stricta</i> ; <i>o. fontana</i> | Oxalidaceae | OXASTR | native | 0 | 3 | forb | perennial | yellow wood-sorrel |
| <i>Parthenocissus quinquefolia</i> | Vitaceae | PARQUI | native | 5 | 3 | vine | perennial | virginia creeper |
| <i>Pedicularis canadensis</i> | Orobanchaceae | PEDCAN | native | 10 | 3 | forb | perennial | wood-betony |
| <i>Pedicularis lanceolata</i> | Orobanchaceae | PEDLAN | native | 8 | -3 | forb | perennial | swamp-betony |
| <i>Penthorum sedoides</i> | Penthoraceae | PENSED | native | 3 | -5 | forb | perennial | ditch stoncrop |
| <i>Persicaria orientalis</i> ; <i>polygonum</i> o. | Polygonaceae | PERORI | non-native | 0 | 5 | forb | annual | kiss-me-over-the-garden-gate |
| <i>Persicaria punctata</i> ; <i>polygonum</i> p. | Polygonaceae | PERPUN | native | 5 | -5 | forb | annual | smartweed |
| <i>Persicaria virginiana</i> ; <i>polygonum</i> v. | Polygonaceae | PERVIR | native | 4 | 0 | forb | perennial | jumpseed |
| <i>Phalaris arundinacea</i> | Poaceae | PHAARU | native | 0 | -3 | grass | perennial | reed canary grass |
| <i>Phlox divaricata</i> | Polemoniaceae | PHLDIV | native | 5 | 3 | forb | perennial | wild blue phlox |
| <i>Phytolacca americana</i> | Phytolaccaceae | PHYAME | native | 2 | 3 | forb | perennial | pokeweed |
| <i>Pilea pumila</i> | Urticaceae | PILPUM | native | 5 | -3 | forb | annual | clearweed |

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| <i>Pinus resinosa</i> | Pinaceae | PINRES | native | 6 | 3 | tree | perennial | red pine |
| <i>Plantago major</i> | Plantaginaceae | PLAMAJ | non-native | 0 | 3 | forb | perennial | common plantain |
| <i>Platanus occidentalis</i> | Platanaceae | PLAOCC | native | 7 | -3 | tree | perennial | sycamore |
| <i>Poa compressa</i> | Poaceae | POACOM | non-native | 0 | 3 | grass | perennial | canada bluegrass |
| <i>Poa pratensis</i> | Poaceae | POAPRA | non-native | 0 | 3 | grass | perennial | kentucky bluegrass |
| <i>Podophyllum peltatum</i> | Berberidaceae | PODPEL | native | 3 | 3 | forb | perennial | may-apple |
| <i>Polygonatum biflorum</i> | Convallariaceae | POLBIF | native | 4 | 3 | forb | perennial | solomon-seal |
| <i>Polystichum acrostichoides</i> | Dryopteridaceae | POLACR | native | 6 | 3 | fern | perennial | christmas fern |
| <i>Populus deltoides</i> | Salicaceae | POPDEL | native | 1 | 0 | tree | perennial | cottonwood |
| <i>Populus grandidentata</i> | Salicaceae | POPGRA | native | 4 | 3 | tree | perennial | big-tooth aspen |
| <i>Prunus serotina</i> | Rosaceae | PRUSER | native | 2 | 3 | tree | perennial | wild black cherry |
| <i>Prunus virginiana</i> | Rosaceae | PRUVIR | native | 2 | 3 | shrub | perennial | choke cherry |
| <i>Ptelea trifoliata</i> | Rutaceae | PTETRI | native | 4 | 3 | shrub | perennial | hop-tree |
| <i>Quercus alba</i> | Fagaceae | QUEALB | native | 5 | 3 | tree | perennial | white oak |
| <i>Quercus bicolor</i> | Fagaceae | QUEBIC | native | 8 | -3 | tree | perennial | swamp white oak |
| <i>Quercus macrocarpa</i> | Fagaceae | QUEMAC | native | 5 | 3 | tree | perennial | bur oak |
| <i>Quercus rubra</i> | Fagaceae | QUERUB | native | 5 | 3 | tree | perennial | red oak |
| <i>Quercus velutina</i> | Fagaceae | QUEVEL | native | 6 | 5 | tree | perennial | black oak |
| <i>Ranunculus abortivus</i> | Ranunculaceae | RANABO | native | 0 | 0 | forb | perennial | small-flowered buttercup |
| <i>Ranunculus hispidus</i> | Ranunculaceae | RANHIS | native | 5 | 0 | forb | perennial | swamp buttercup |
| <i>Ribes americanum</i> | Grossulariaceae | RIBAME | native | 6 | -3 | shrub | perennial | wild black currant |
| <i>Ribes cynosbati</i> | Grossulariaceae | RIBCYN | native | 4 | 3 | shrub | perennial | prickly or wild gooseberry |
| <i>Rosa multiflora</i> | Rosaceae | ROSMUL | non-native | 0 | 3 | shrub | perennial | multiflora rose |
| <i>Rosa palustris</i> | Rosaceae | ROSPAL | native | 5 | -5 | shrub | perennial | swamp rose |
| <i>Rubus allegheniensis</i> | Rosaceae | RUBALL | native | 1 | 3 | shrub | perennial | common blackberry |
| <i>Rubus occidentalis</i> | Rosaceae | RUBOCC | native | 1 | 5 | shrub | perennial | black raspberry |
| <i>Rumex obtusifolius</i> | Polygonaceae | RUMOBT | non-native | 0 | 0 | forb | perennial | bitter dock |
| <i>Rumex verticillatus</i> | Polygonaceae | RUMVER | native | 7 | -5 | forb | perennial | water dock |
| <i>Sagittaria latifolia</i> | Alismataceae | SAGLAT | native | 4 | -5 | forb | perennial | common arrowhead |
| <i>Salix amygdaloides</i> | Salicaceae | SALAMY | native | 3 | -3 | tree | perennial | peach-leaved willow |
| <i>Salix nigra</i> | Salicaceae | SALNIG | native | 5 | -5 | tree | perennial | black willow |
| <i>Salix petiolaris</i> | Salicaceae | SALPET | native | 1 | -3 | shrub | perennial | slender willow |
| <i>Sambucus canadensis</i> | Adoxaceae | SAMCAN | native | 3 | -3 | shrub | perennial | elderberry |
| <i>Samolus parviflorus</i> | Theophrastaceae | SAMPAR | native | 5 | -5 | forb | perennial | water-pimpernel |
| <i>Sanguinaria canadensis</i> | Papaveraceae | SANCAA | native | 5 | 3 | forb | perennial | bloodroot |
| <i>Sanicula odorata</i> ; <i>s. gregaria</i> | Apiaceae | SANODO | native | 2 | 0 | forb | perennial | black snakeroot |
| <i>Sassafras albidum</i> | Lauraceae | SASALB | native | 5 | 3 | tree | perennial | sassafras |

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|---------------------------------------|------------------|---------|------------|---|----|-------------|-----------|-----------------------------|
| Saururus cernuus | Saururaceae | SAUCER | native | 9 | -5 | forb | perennial | lizards-tail |
| Scirpus atrovirens | Cyperaceae | SCIATV | native | 3 | -5 | sedge | perennial | bulrush |
| Scirpus pendulus | Cyperaceae | SCIPEN | native | 3 | -5 | sedge | perennial | bulrush |
| Scutellaria lateriflora | Lamiaceae | SCULAT | native | 5 | -5 | forb | perennial | mad-dog skullcap |
| Sium suave | Apiaceae | SIUSUA | native | 5 | -5 | forb | perennial | water-parsnip |
| Smilax ecirrata | Smilacaceae | SMIECI | native | 6 | 5 | forb | perennial | upright carrion-flower |
| Smilax hispida; s. tamnoides | Smilacaceae | SMIHIS | native | 5 | 0 | vine | perennial | bristly greenbrier |
| Solanum dulcamara | Solanaceae | SOLDUL | non-native | 0 | 0 | vine | perennial | bittersweet nightshade |
| Solidago caesia | Asteraceae | SOLCAE | native | 6 | 3 | forb | perennial | bluestem goldenrod |
| Solidago gigantea | Asteraceae | SOLGIG | native | 3 | -3 | forb | perennial | late goldenrod |
| Solidago patula | Asteraceae | SOLPAT | native | 6 | -5 | forb | perennial | swamp goldenrod |
| Solidago rugosa | Asteraceae | SOLRUG | native | 3 | 0 | forb | perennial | rough-leaved goldenrod |
| Stachys palustris | Lamiaceae | STAPAL | non-native | 0 | -5 | forb | perennial | woundwort |
| Staphylea trifolia | Staphyleaceae | STATRI | native | 9 | 0 | shrub | perennial | bladdernut |
| Stellaria longifolia | Caryophyllaceae | STELOF | native | 5 | -3 | forb | perennial | long-leaved chickweed |
| Symphyotrichum firmum; aster puniceus | Asteraceae | SYMFIR | native | 4 | -3 | forb | perennial | smooth swamp aster |
| Symphyotrichum lateriflorum; aster l. | Asteraceae | SYMLAT | native | 2 | 0 | forb | perennial | calico aster |
| Symphyotrichum ontarionis; aster o. | Asteraceae | SYMONT | native | 6 | 0 | forb | perennial | lake ontario aster |
| Symplocarpus foetidus | Araceae | SYMFOE | native | 6 | -5 | forb | perennial | skunk-cabbage |
| Taraxacum officinale | Asteraceae | TAROFF | non-native | 0 | 3 | forb | perennial | common dandelion |
| Teucrium canadense | Lamiaceae | TEUCAN | native | 4 | -3 | forb | perennial | wood-sage |
| Thalictrum dasycarpum | Ranunculaceae | THADAS | native | 3 | -3 | forb | perennial | purple meadow-rue |
| Thalictrum dioicum | Ranunculaceae | THADIO | native | 6 | 3 | forb | perennial | early meadow-rue |
| Thelypteris noveboracensis | Thelypteridaceae | THENOV | native | 5 | 0 | fern | perennial | new york fern |
| Thelypteris palustris | Thelypteridaceae | THEPAL | native | 2 | -3 | fern | perennial | marsh fern |
| Tilia americana | Malvaceae | TILAME | native | 5 | 3 | tree | perennial | basswood |
| Toxicodendron radicans | Anacardiaceae | TOXRAD | native | 2 | 0 | vine | perennial | poison-ivy |
| Trillium grandiflorum | Trilliaceae | TRIGRA | native | 5 | 3 | forb | perennial | common trillium |
| Ulmus americana | Ulmaceae | ULMAME | native | 1 | -3 | tree | perennial | american elm |
| Urtica dioica | Urticaceae | URTDIO | native | 1 | 0 | forb | perennial | stinging nettle |
| Vaccinium angustifolium | Ericaceae | VACANG | native | 4 | 3 | shrub | perennial | low sweet blueberry |
| Verbascum thapsus | Scrophulariaceae | VERTHA | non-native | 0 | 5 | forb | biennial | common mullein |
| Verbena urticifolia | Verbenaceae | VERURT | native | 4 | 0 | forb | perennial | white vervain |
| Viburnum acerifolium | Adoxaceae | VIBACE | native | 6 | 5 | shrub | perennial | maple-leaved viburnum |
| Viburnum dentatum | Adoxaceae | VIBDEN | native | 6 | 0 | shrub | perennial | arrow-wood |
| Viburnum lentago | Adoxaceae | VIBLEN | native | 4 | 0 | shrub | perennial | nannyberry |
| Viburnum opulus | Adoxaceae | VIBOPU | non-native | 0 | -3 | shrub | perennial | european highbush-cranberry |

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|------------------------|---------------|----------------|----------------|----------|----------|--------------------|-----------------|--------------------|
| Viola blanda | Violaceae | VIOBLA | native | 5 | -3 | forb | perennial | sweet white violet |
| Viola pubescens | Violaceae | VIOPUB | native | 4 | 3 | forb | perennial | yellow violet |
| Viola sororia | Violaceae | VIOSOR | native | 1 | 0 | forb | perennial | common blue violet |
| Viola striata | Violaceae | VIOSTR | native | 5 | -3 | forb | perennial | cream violet |
| Vitis riparia | Vitaceae | VITRIP | native | 3 | 0 | vine | perennial | river-bank grape |
| Xanthium strumarium | Asteraceae | XANSTR | non-native | 0 | 0 | forb | annual | common cocklebur |
| Zanthoxylum americanum | Rutaceae | ZANAME | native | 3 | 3 | shrub | perennial | prickly-ash |

Appendix H:
Floristic Quality Assessment – Perry Rd. West

Red Cedar River - M-52 (Perry Rd.) W

06/12/2014

Red Cedar River

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FQA DB Region:

Michigan

FQA DB Publication Year:

2014

FQA DB Description:

Reznicek, A.A., M.R. Penskar, B.S. Walters, and B.S. Slaughter. 2014. Michigan Floristic Quality Assessment Database. Herbarium, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, MI and Michigan Natural Features Inventory, Michigan State University, Lansing, MI. <http://michiganflora.net>

Practitioner:

Brad Slaughter, John Paskus

Latitude:

42.6861

Longitude:

-84.222

Weather Notes:

Duration Notes:

Community Type Notes:

Mesic southern forest, floodplain forest

Additional survey conducted 9 September (B. Slaughter). Also noted: *Cyperus* sp., *Carex* spp., *Prenanthes* sp., *Stachys*

Other Notes:

sp.

Private/Public:

Private

Conservatism-Based Metrics:

Total Mean C: 3.6

Native Mean C: 4.1

Total FQI: 42.6

Native FQI: 45.8

Adjusted FQI: 38.7

% C value 0: 13.6

% C value 1-3: 30

% C value 4-6: 48.6

% C value 7-10: 7.9

Native Tree Mean C: 3.6

Native Shrub Mean C: 4.6

Native Herbaceous Mean C: 4.1

Species Richness:

| | | |
|---------------------|-----|--------|
| Total Species: | 140 | |
| Native Species: | 125 | 89.30% |
| Non-native Species: | 15 | 10.70% |

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| Species Wetness: | | |
| Mean Wetness: | 0 | |
| Native Mean Wetness: | -0.2 | |

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| Physiognomy Metrics: | | |
| Tree: | 21 | 15% |
| Shrub: | 12 | 8.60% |
| Vine: | 6 | 4.30% |
| Forb: | 75 | 53.60% |
| Grass: | 10 | 7.10% |
| Sedge: | 10 | 7.10% |
| Rush: | 0 | 0% |
| Fern: | 6 | 4.30% |
| Bryophyte: | 0 | 0% |

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| Duration Metrics: | | |
| Annual: | 11 | 7.90% |
| Perennial: | 122 | 87.10% |
| Biennial: | 7 | 5% |
| Native Annual: | 7 | 5% |
| Native Perennial: | 114 | 81.40% |
| Native Biennial: | 4 | 2.90% |

Species:

| Scientific Name | Family | Acronym | Native? | C | W | Physiognomy | Duration | Common Name |
|--|---------------|---------|------------|---|----|-------------|-----------|-------------------------|
| Acer negundo | Sapindaceae | ACENEG | native | 0 | 0 | tree | perennial | box-elder |
| Acer nigrum; a. saccharum | Sapindaceae | ACENIG | native | 4 | 3 | tree | perennial | black maple |
| Acer saccharinum | Sapindaceae | ACESAI | native | 2 | -3 | tree | perennial | silver maple |
| Acer saccharum | Sapindaceae | ACESAU | native | 5 | 3 | tree | perennial | sugar maple |
| Actaea pachypoda | Ranunculaceae | ACTPAC | native | 7 | 5 | forb | perennial | dolls-eyes |
| Alisma subcordatum; a. plantago-aquatica | Alismataceae | ALISUB | native | 1 | -5 | forb | perennial | southern water-plantain |
| Alliaria petiolata | Brassicaceae | ALLPET | non-native | 0 | 3 | forb | biennial | garlic mustard |
| Anemone canadensis | Ranunculaceae | ANECAN | native | 4 | -3 | forb | perennial | canada anemone |
| Anemone quinquefolia | Ranunculaceae | ANEQUI | native | 5 | 3 | forb | perennial | wood anemone |

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|--|------------------|---------|------------|---|----|-------------|-----------|-------------------------|
| <i>Arisaema dracontium</i> | Araceae | ARIDRA | native | 8 | -3 | forb | perennial | green dragon |
| <i>Arisaema triphyllum</i> | Araceae | ARITRI | native | 5 | 0 | forb | perennial | jack-in-the-pulpit |
| <i>Asarum canadense</i> | Aristolochiaceae | ASACAN | native | 5 | 5 | forb | perennial | wild-ginger |
| <i>Asclepias incarnata</i> | Apocynaceae | ASCINC | native | 6 | -5 | forb | perennial | swamp milkweed |
| <i>Asplenium platyneuron</i> | Aspleniaceae | ASPPLA | native | 2 | 3 | fern | perennial | ebony spleenwort |
| <i>Athyrium filix-femina</i> | Athyriaceae | ATHFIL | native | 4 | 0 | fern | perennial | lady fern |
| <i>Caltha palustris</i> | Ranunculaceae | CALPAR | native | 6 | -5 | forb | perennial | marsh-marigold |
| <i>Cardamine concatenata</i> ; <i>dentaria laciniata</i> | Brassicaceae | CARCON | native | 5 | 3 | forb | perennial | cut-leaved toothwort |
| <i>Carex bromoides</i> | Cyperaceae | CXBROM | native | 6 | -3 | sedge | perennial | sedge |
| <i>Carex cephalophora</i> | Cyperaceae | CXCEPP | native | 3 | 3 | sedge | perennial | sedge |
| <i>Carex gracillima</i> | Cyperaceae | CXGRAA | native | 4 | 3 | sedge | perennial | sedge |
| <i>Carex grayi</i> | Cyperaceae | CXGRAY | native | 6 | -3 | sedge | perennial | sedge |
| <i>Carex grisea</i> ; <i>c. amphibola</i> | Cyperaceae | CXGRIS | native | 3 | 0 | sedge | perennial | sedge |
| <i>Carex hirtifolia</i> | Cyperaceae | CXHIRI | native | 5 | 3 | sedge | perennial | sedge |
| <i>Carex intumescens</i> | Cyperaceae | CXINTU | native | 3 | -3 | sedge | perennial | sedge |
| <i>Carex lupulina</i> | Cyperaceae | CXLUPA | native | 4 | -5 | sedge | perennial | sedge |
| <i>Carex rosea</i> ; <i>c. convoluta</i> | Cyperaceae | CXROSE | native | 2 | 5 | sedge | perennial | curly-styled wood sedge |
| <i>Carex sparganioides</i> | Cyperaceae | CXSPAR | native | 5 | 3 | sedge | perennial | sedge |
| <i>Carpinus caroliniana</i> | Betulaceae | CARCAO | native | 6 | 0 | tree | perennial | blue-beech |
| <i>Carya ovata</i> | Juglandaceae | CAROVA | native | 5 | 3 | tree | perennial | shagbark hickory |
| <i>Caulophyllum thalictroides</i> | Berberidaceae | CAUTHA | native | 5 | 5 | forb | perennial | blue cohosh |
| <i>Cephalanthus occidentalis</i> | Rubiaceae | CEPOCC | native | 7 | -5 | shrub | perennial | buttonbush |
| <i>Chelone glabra</i> | Plantaginaceae | CHEGLB | native | 7 | -5 | forb | perennial | turtlehead |
| <i>Chenopodium album</i> | Amaranthaceae | CHEALB | non-native | 0 | 3 | forb | annual | lambs-quarters |
| <i>Cicuta maculata</i> | Apiaceae | CICMAC | native | 4 | -5 | forb | biennial | water hemlock |
| <i>Cinna arundinacea</i> | Poaceae | CINARU | native | 7 | -3 | grass | perennial | wood reedgrass |
| <i>Circaea canadensis</i> ; <i>c. lutetiana</i> | Onagraceae | CIRCAN | native | 2 | 3 | forb | perennial | enchanters-nightshade |
| <i>Cirsium vulgare</i> | Asteraceae | CIRVUL | non-native | 0 | 3 | forb | biennial | bull thistle |
| <i>Conium maculatum</i> | Apiaceae | CONMAC | non-native | 0 | -3 | forb | biennial | poison-hemlock |
| <i>Conyza canadensis</i> | Asteraceae | CONCAN | native | 0 | 3 | forb | annual | horseweed |
| <i>Crataegus crus-galli</i> ; <i>c. fontanesiana</i> | Rosaceae | CRACRU | native | 5 | 0 | tree | perennial | cockspur thorn |
| <i>Crataegus mollis</i> | Rosaceae | CRAMOL | native | 2 | 0 | tree | perennial | hawthorn |
| <i>Cryptotaenia canadensis</i> | Apiaceae | CRYCAN | native | 2 | 0 | forb | perennial | honewort |
| <i>Dactylis glomerata</i> | Poaceae | DACGLO | non-native | 0 | 3 | grass | perennial | orchard grass |
| <i>Digitaria sanguinalis</i> | Poaceae | DIGSAN | non-native | 0 | 3 | grass | annual | hairy crab grass |
| <i>Dioscorea villosa</i> ; <i>dioscorea villosa</i> | Dioscoreaceae | DIOVIL | native | 4 | 0 | forb | perennial | wild yam |
| <i>Dryopteris carthusiana</i> | Dryopteridaceae | DRYCAR | native | 5 | -3 | fern | perennial | spinulose woodfern |

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|---|-----------------|---------|------------|----|----|-------------|-----------|----------------------------|
| <i>Elymus virginicus</i> | Poaceae | ELYVIR | native | 4 | -3 | grass | perennial | virginia wild-rye |
| <i>Epifagus virginiana</i> | Orobanchaceae | EPIVIR | native | 10 | 5 | forb | annual | beech-drops |
| <i>Epilobium coloratum</i> | Onagraceae | EPICOL | native | 3 | -5 | forb | perennial | cinnamon willow-herb |
| <i>Equisetum hyemale</i> | Equisetaceae | EQUHYE | native | 2 | 0 | fern | perennial | scouring rush |
| <i>Erechtites hieraciifolius</i> | Asteraceae | EREHIE | native | 2 | 3 | forb | annual | fireweed |
| <i>Erigeron philadelphicus</i> | Asteraceae | ERIPHI | native | 2 | 0 | forb | perennial | philadelphia fleabane |
| <i>Euonymus obovatus</i> | Celastraceae | EUOOBO | native | 5 | 3 | shrub | perennial | running strawberry-bush |
| <i>Eutrochium purpureum</i> ; eupatorium p. | Asteraceae | EUTPUR | native | 5 | 0 | forb | perennial | green-stemmed joe-pye-weed |
| <i>Fagus grandifolia</i> | Fagaceae | FAGGRA | native | 6 | 3 | tree | perennial | american beech |
| <i>Fraxinus americana</i> | Oleaceae | FRAAME | native | 5 | 3 | tree | perennial | white ash |
| <i>Fraxinus nigra</i> | Oleaceae | FRANIG | native | 6 | -3 | tree | perennial | black ash |
| <i>Fraxinus pennsylvanica</i> | Oleaceae | FRAPEN | native | 2 | -3 | tree | perennial | red ash |
| <i>Galium aparine</i> | Rubiaceae | GALAPA | native | 0 | 3 | forb | annual | annual bedstraw |
| <i>Galium asprellum</i> | Rubiaceae | GALASP | native | 5 | -5 | vine | perennial | rough bedstraw |
| <i>Galium obtusum</i> | Rubiaceae | GALOBT | native | 5 | -3 | forb | perennial | wild madder |
| <i>Galium triflorum</i> | Rubiaceae | GALTRR | native | 4 | 3 | forb | perennial | fragrant bedstraw |
| <i>Geranium maculatum</i> | Geraniaceae | GERMAC | native | 4 | 3 | forb | perennial | wild geranium |
| <i>Geum canadense</i> | Rosaceae | GEUCAN | native | 1 | 0 | forb | perennial | white avens |
| <i>Glyceria striata</i> | Poaceae | GLYSTR | native | 4 | -5 | grass | perennial | fowl manna grass |
| <i>Hackelia virginiana</i> | Boraginaceae | HACVIR | native | 1 | 3 | forb | biennial | beggars lice |
| <i>Hamamelis virginiana</i> | Hamamelidaceae | HAMVIR | native | 5 | 3 | shrub | perennial | witch-hazel |
| <i>Impatiens capensis</i> | Balsaminaceae | IMPCAP | native | 2 | -3 | forb | annual | spotted touch-me-not |
| <i>Iris virginica</i> | Iridaceae | IRIVIR | native | 5 | -5 | forb | perennial | southern blue flag |
| <i>Juglans cinerea</i> | Juglandaceae | JUGCIN | native | 5 | 3 | tree | perennial | butternut |
| <i>Lactuca canadensis</i> | Asteraceae | LACCAN | native | 2 | 3 | forb | biennial | tall lettuce |
| <i>Laportea canadensis</i> | Urticaceae | LAPCAN | native | 4 | -3 | forb | perennial | wood nettle |
| <i>Leersia oryzoides</i> | Poaceae | LEEORY | native | 3 | -5 | grass | perennial | cut grass |
| <i>Leersia virginica</i> | Poaceae | LEEVIR | native | 5 | -3 | grass | perennial | white grass |
| <i>Leonurus cardiaca</i> | Lamiaceae | LEOCAR | non-native | 0 | 5 | forb | perennial | motherwort |
| <i>Lobelia cardinalis</i> | Campanulaceae | LOBCAR | native | 7 | -5 | forb | perennial | cardinal-flower |
| <i>Lobelia siphilitica</i> | Campanulaceae | LOBSIP | native | 4 | -3 | forb | perennial | great blue lobelia |
| <i>Lycopus virginicus</i> | Lamiaceae | LYCVIR | native | 8 | -5 | forb | perennial | bugle weed |
| <i>Lysimachia ciliata</i> | Myrsinaceae | LYSCIL | native | 4 | -3 | forb | perennial | fringed loosestrife |
| <i>Lysimachia nummularia</i> | Myrsinaceae | LYSNUM | non-native | 0 | -3 | forb | perennial | moneywort |
| <i>Maianthemum racemosum</i> ; smilacina r. | Convallariaceae | MAIRAC | native | 5 | 3 | forb | perennial | false spikenard |
| <i>Matteuccia struthiopteris</i> | Onocleaceae | MATSTR | native | 3 | 0 | fern | perennial | ostrich fern |
| <i>Menispermum canadense</i> | Menispermaceae | MENCAE | native | 5 | 0 | vine | perennial | moonseed |

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| <i>Oenothera biennis</i> | Onagraceae | OENBIE | native | 2 | 3 | forb | biennial | common evening-primrose |
| <i>Onoclea sensibilis</i> | Onocleaceae | ONOUSEN | native | 2 | -3 | fern | perennial | sensitive fern |
| <i>Parthenocissus quinquefolia</i> | Vitaceae | PARQUI | native | 5 | 3 | vine | perennial | virginia creeper |
| <i>Persicaria virginiana</i> ; <i>polygonum v.</i> | Polygonaceae | PERVIR | native | 4 | 0 | forb | perennial | jumpseed |
| <i>Phalaris arundinacea</i> | Poaceae | PHAARU | native | 0 | -3 | grass | perennial | reed canary grass |
| <i>Phlox divaricata</i> | Polemoniaceae | PHLDIV | native | 5 | 3 | forb | perennial | wild blue phlox |
| <i>Phytolacca americana</i> | Phytolaccaceae | PHYAME | native | 2 | 3 | forb | perennial | pokeweed |
| <i>Pilea pumila</i> | Urticaceae | PILPUM | native | 5 | -3 | forb | annual | clearweed |
| <i>Poa trivialis</i> | Poaceae | POATRI | non-native | 0 | -3 | grass | perennial | bluegrass |
| <i>Podophyllum peltatum</i> | Berberidaceae | PODPEL | native | 3 | 3 | forb | perennial | may-apple |
| <i>Populus deltoides</i> | Salicaceae | POPDEL | native | 1 | 0 | tree | perennial | cottonwood |
| <i>Populus tremuloides</i> | Salicaceae | POPTRE | native | 1 | 0 | tree | perennial | quaking aspen |
| <i>Prunus serotina</i> | Rosaceae | PRUSER | native | 2 | 3 | tree | perennial | wild black cherry |
| <i>Quercus macrocarpa</i> | Fagaceae | QUEMAC | native | 5 | 3 | tree | perennial | bur oak |
| <i>Quercus rubra</i> | Fagaceae | QUERUB | native | 5 | 3 | tree | perennial | red oak |
| <i>Ranunculus hispidus</i> | Ranunculaceae | RANHIS | native | 5 | 0 | forb | perennial | swamp buttercup |
| <i>Ranunculus recurvatus</i> | Ranunculaceae | RANREC | native | 5 | -3 | forb | perennial | hooked crowfoot |
| <i>Ribes americanum</i> | Grossulariaceae | RIBAME | native | 6 | -3 | shrub | perennial | wild black currant |
| <i>Ribes cynosbati</i> | Grossulariaceae | RIBCYN | native | 4 | 3 | shrub | perennial | prickly or wild gooseberry |
| <i>Rosa multiflora</i> | Rosaceae | ROSMUL | non-native | 0 | 3 | shrub | perennial | multiflora rose |
| <i>Rubus occidentalis</i> | Rosaceae | RUBOCC | native | 1 | 5 | shrub | perennial | black raspberry |
| <i>Rumex verticillatus</i> | Polygonaceae | RUMVER | native | 7 | -5 | forb | perennial | water dock |
| <i>Sambucus canadensis</i> | Adoxaceae | SAMCAN | native | 3 | -3 | shrub | perennial | elderberry |
| <i>Sambucus racemosa</i> | Adoxaceae | SAMRAC | native | 3 | 3 | shrub | perennial | red-berried elder |
| <i>Sanguinaria canadensis</i> | Papaveraceae | SANCAA | native | 5 | 3 | forb | perennial | bloodroot |
| <i>Sanicula odorata</i> ; <i>s. gregaria</i> | Apiaceae | SANODO | native | 2 | 0 | forb | perennial | black snakeroot |
| <i>Saururus cernuus</i> | Saururaceae | SAUCER | native | 9 | -5 | forb | perennial | lizards-tail |
| <i>Scutellaria lateriflora</i> | Lamiaceae | SCULAT | native | 5 | -5 | forb | perennial | mad-dog skullcap |
| <i>Securigera varia</i> ; <i>coronilla v.</i> | Fabaceae | SECVAR | non-native | 0 | 5 | forb | perennial | crown-vetch |
| <i>Setaria italica</i> | Poaceae | SETITA | non-native | 0 | 3 | grass | annual | hungarian millet |
| <i>Sisyrinchium angustifolium</i> | Iridaceae | SISANG | native | 4 | 0 | forb | perennial | stout blue-eyed-grass |
| <i>Sium suave</i> | Apiaceae | SIUSUA | native | 5 | -5 | forb | perennial | water-parsnip |
| <i>Smilax ecirrata</i> | Smilacaceae | SMIECI | native | 6 | 5 | forb | perennial | upright carrion-flower |
| <i>Smilax hispida</i> ; <i>s. tamnoides</i> | Smilacaceae | SMIHIS | native | 5 | 0 | vine | perennial | bristly greenbrier |
| <i>Solanum ptychanthum</i> | Solanaceae | SOLPTY | native | 1 | 3 | forb | annual | black nightshade |
| <i>Solidago caesia</i> | Asteraceae | SOLCAE | native | 6 | 3 | forb | perennial | bluestem goldenrod |
| <i>Solidago gigantea</i> | Asteraceae | SOLGIG | native | 3 | -3 | forb | perennial | late goldenrod |

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|------------------------------------|---------------|---------|------------|---|----|-------------|-----------|-----------------------------|
| Staphylea trifolia | Staphyleaceae | STATRI | native | 9 | 0 | shrub | perennial | bladdernut |
| Symphotrichum ontarionis; aster o. | Asteraceae | SYMONT | native | 6 | 0 | forb | perennial | lake ontario aster |
| Symplocarpus foetidus | Araceae | SYMFOE | native | 6 | -5 | forb | perennial | skunk-cabbage |
| Taraxacum officinale | Asteraceae | TAROFF | non-native | 0 | 3 | forb | perennial | common dandelion |
| Teucrium canadense | Lamiaceae | TEUCAN | native | 4 | -3 | forb | perennial | wood-sage |
| Thalictrum dasycarpum | Ranunculaceae | THADAS | native | 3 | -3 | forb | perennial | purple meadow-rue |
| Thalictrum dioicum | Ranunculaceae | THADIO | native | 6 | 3 | forb | perennial | early meadow-rue |
| Tilia americana | Malvaceae | TILAME | native | 5 | 3 | tree | perennial | basswood |
| Torilis japonica | Apiaceae | TORJAP | non-native | 0 | 3 | forb | annual | hedge-parsley |
| Toxicodendron radicans | Anacardiaceae | TOXRAD | native | 2 | 0 | vine | perennial | poison-ivy |
| Trillium grandiflorum | Trilliaceae | TRIGRA | native | 5 | 3 | forb | perennial | common trillium |
| Ulmus americana | Ulmaceae | ULMAME | native | 1 | -3 | tree | perennial | american elm |
| Ulmus rubra | Ulmaceae | ULMRUB | native | 2 | 0 | tree | perennial | slippery elm |
| Urtica dioica | Urticaceae | URTDIO | native | 1 | 0 | forb | perennial | stinging nettle |
| Verbena urticifolia | Verbenaceae | VERURT | native | 4 | 0 | forb | perennial | white vervain |
| Viburnum opulus | Adoxaceae | VIBOPU | non-native | 0 | -3 | shrub | perennial | european highbush-cranberry |
| Viola sororia | Violaceae | VIOSOR | native | 1 | 0 | forb | perennial | common blue violet |
| Viola striata | Violaceae | VIOSTR | native | 5 | -3 | forb | perennial | cream violet |
| Vitis riparia | Vitaceae | VITRIP | native | 3 | 0 | vine | perennial | river-bank grape |
| Zanthoxylum americanum | Rutaceae | ZANAME | native | 3 | 3 | shrub | perennial | prickly-ash |