

SUMMARY OF RESULTS

FIBI047 - Beaver Brook



1. Stream Name:Beaver Brook2. Sampling Date:07-23-2002

3. Sampling Location: Off Sarepta Rd (CR 618), Near US 46 (40 50 36.86; -75 02 46.37)

4. Municipality: White Twp.
5. County: Warren
6. Watershed Management Area: 1

7. Contributing Drainage Area:36.8 Square Miles8. Electrofishing Gear:2 Backpack9. FIBI Score and Rating:40 - Good10. Habitat Score and Rating:172 - Optimal

11. Fishable Species Present: Yes

12. Relevant AMNET¹ Station Data

Proximity of FIBI station to AMNET station: AN0047

AMNET Rating: Round 1 – NONE; Round 2 – NONE

13. Stream Chemistries

Dissolved Oxygen:

Temperature:

pH:

7.4

Conductivity: 527 µmhos/cm

14. Number of Fish with Anomalies: 0

15. Length of Stream Segment Sampled: 150 Meters
16. Water Clarity: Clear
17. Average Open Forest Canopy: 44.46%
18. Discharge: 42.3 ft. 3/sec

19. Substrate: 25% Gravel and Sand, 50% Cobble, 25% Boulder, 0% Clay, 0% Silt

20. Habitat: 60% Riffle, 20% Run, 20% Pool

21. Snags:No22. Periphyton:Moderate23. Submerged Aquatic Vegetation:Yes

24. Other Observations:

25. Number of Fish Species Identified: 1426. Total Number of Fish Collected: 320

¹ AMNET is the acronym for the DEP's ambient benthic macroinvertebrate monitoring network – a series of 820 monitoring stations located throughout the state's waterways that collects data on the health of bottom dwelling stream fauna which in turn is used to assess general water quality.



FIBI047 - Beaver Brook @ Sarepta Rd near US 46 Excelle Date Sampled - 7/23/2002	nt Good	Fair	Poor
		Score	
# of Fish Species		5	
# of Benthic Insectivorous Species (BI)		5	
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# of Trout and Centrarchid Species (trout, bass, sunfish, crappie)		3	
# of Intolerant Species (IS)		3	
Proportion of Individuals as White Suckers		3	
Proportion of Individuals as Generalists (carp, creek chub, banded killifi	sh.	5	
goldfish, fathead minnow, green sunfish)	··,		
Proportion of Individuals as Insectivorous Cyprinids (I and BI)		5	
Proportion of Individuals as Trout *whichever gives be	etter score		
OR			
Proportion of Individuals as Pisciviores (Excluding American Eel)*		1	
Number of Individuals in Sample		5	
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Proportion of Individuals w/disease/anomalies (excluding blacksports)	(זכ	5	
Total		40	

Stream Rating

45-50	Excellent
37-44	Good
29-36	Fair
10-28	Poor

HABITAT ASSESSMENT FOR HIGH GRADIENT STREAMS

Beaver Brook (FIBI047) – 7/23/02

	GH GRADIENT STREAMS Beaver Brook (F1B1047) - 7/23/0 Condition Category			
	Optimal	Suboptimal	Marginal	Poor
1. Epifaunal Substrate /Available Cover	Greater than 70% of substrate favorable for epifaunal colonization and fish cover; mix of snags, submerged logs, undercut banks, cobble or other stable habitat and at stage to allow full colonization potential (i.e., logs/snags that are not new	40-70% mix of stable habitat; well-suited for full colonization potential; adequate habitat for maintenance of populations; presence of additional substrate in the form of newfall, but not yet prepared for colonization (may rate at high end of scale).	20-40% mix of stable habitat; habitat availability less than desirable; substrate frequently disturbed or removed.	Less than 20% stable habitat; lack of habitat is obvious; substrate unstable or lacking.
SCORE 19	fall and <u>not</u> transient). 20 19 18 17 16	15 14 13 12 11	10 9 8 7 6	5 4 3 2 1 0
2. Embeddedness	Gravel, cobble, and boulder particles are 0-25% surrounded by fine sediment. Layering of cobble provides diversity of niche space	Gravel, cobble, and boulder particles are 25-50% surrounded by fine sediment.	Gravel, cobble, and boulder particles are 50-75% surrounded by fine sediment.	Gravel, cobble, and boulder particles are more than 75% surrounded by fine sediment.
SCORE 17	20 19 18 17 16	15 14 13 12 11	10 9 8 7 6	5 4 3 2 1 0
3. Velocity/Depth Regimes	All 4 velocity/depth regimes present (slow-deep, slow-shallow, fast-deep, fast-shallow). (slow is <0.3 m/s, deep is >0.5 m)	Only 3 of the 4 regimes present (if fast-shallow is missing, score lower than if missing other regimes).	Only 2 of the 4 habitat regimes present (if fast-shallow or slow-shallow are missing, score low).	Dominated by 1 velocity / depth regime (usually slow-deep).
SCORE 18	20 19 18 17 16	15 14 13 12 11	10 9 8 7 6	5 4 3 2 1 0
4. Sediment Deposition	Little or no enlargement of islands or point bars and less than 5% (<20% for low-gradient streams) of the bottom affected by sediment deposition.	Some new increase in bar formation, mostly from gravel, sand or fine sediment; 5-30% (20-50% for low-gradient) of the bottom affected; slight deposition in pools.	Moderate deposition of new gravel, sand or fine sediment on old and new bars; 30-50% (50- 80% for low-gradient) of the bottom affected; sediment deposits at obstructions, constrictions, and bends; moderate deposition of pools prevalent.	Heavy deposits of fine material, increased bar development; more than 50% (80% for low-gradient) of the bottom changing frequently; pools almost absent due to substantial sediment deposition.
SCORE 19	20 19 18 17 16	15 14 13 12 11	10 9 8 7 6	5 4 3 2 1 0
5. Channel Flow Status	Water reaches base of both lower banks, and minimal amount of channel substrate is exposed.	Water fills >75% of the available channel; or <25% of channel substrate is exposed.	Water fills 25-75% of the available channel, and/or riffle substrates are mostly exposed.	Very little water in channel and mostly present as standing pools.
SCORE 17	20 19 18 17 16	15 14 13 12 11	10 9 8 7 6	5 4 3 2 1 0
6. Channel Alteration	Channelization or dredging absent or minimal; stream with normal pattern.	Some channelization present, usually in areas of bridge abutments; evidence of past channelization, i.e., dredging, (greater than past 20 yr) may be present, but recent channelization	Channelization may be extensive; embankments or shoring structures present on both banks; and 40 to 80% of stream reach channelized and disrupted.	Banks shored with gabion or cement; over 80% of the stream reach channelized and disrupted. In stream habitat greatly altered or removed entirely.
SCORE 19	20 19 18 17 16	is not present. 15 14 13 12 11	10 9 8 7 6	5 4 3 2 1 0
7. Frequency of Riffles (or bends)	Occurrence of riffles relatively frequent; ratio of distance between riffles divided by width of the stream <7:1 (generally 5 to 7); variety of habitat is key. In streams where riffles are continuous, placement of boulders or other large, natural obstruction is important.	Occurrence of riffles infrequent; distance between riffles divided by the width of the stream is between 7 to 15.	Occasional riffle or bend; bottom contours provide some habitat; distance between riffles divided by the width of the stream is between 15 to 25.	Generally all flat water or shallow riffles; poor habitat; distance between riffles divided by the width of the stream is a ratio of >25.
SCORE 17	20 19 18 17 16	15 14 13 12 11	10 9 8 7 6	5 4 3 2 1 0
8. Bank Stability (score each bank) Note: determine left or right side by facing downstream.	Banks stable; evidence of erosion or bank failure absent or minimal; little potential for future problems. <5% of bank affected.	Moderately stable; infrequent, small areas of erosion mostly healed over. 5-30% of bank in reach has areas of erosion.	Moderately unstable; 30-60% of bank in reach has areas of erosion; high erosion potential during floods.	Unstable; many eroded areas; "raw" areas frequent along straight sections and bends; obvious bank sloughing; 60- 100% of bank has erosional scars.
SCORE8 (LB)	Left 10 9	8 7 6	5 4 3	2 1 0
9. Bank Vegetative Protection (score each bank)	Right 10 9 More than 90% of the streambank surfaces and immediate riparian zone covered by native vegetation, including trees, under story shrubs, or nonwoody macrophytes; vegetative disruption through grazing or mowing minimal or not evident; almost all plants allowed to grow naturally.	8 7 6 70-90% of the streambank surfaces covered by native vegetation, but one class of plants is not well-represented; disruption evident but not affecting full plant growth potential to any great extent; more than one-half of the potential plant stubble height remaining.	5 4 3 50-70% of the streambank surfaces covered by vegetation; disruption obvious; patches of bare soil or closely cropped vegetation common; less than one-half of the potential plant stubble height remaining.	2 1 0 Less than 50% of the streambank surfaces covered by vegetation; disruption of streambank vegetation is very high; vegetation has been removed to 5 centimeters or less in average stubble height.
SCORE10 (LB)	Left 10 9	8 7 6	5 4 3	2 1 0
SCORE8 (RB) 10. Riparian Vegetative Zone Width (score	Right 10 9 Width of riparian zone >18 meters; human activities (i.e., parking lots, roadbeds, clear-cuts,	8 7 6 Width of riparian zone 12-18 meters; human activities have impacted zone only minimally.	5 4 3 Width of riparian zone 6-12 meters; human activities have impacted zone a great deal.	2 1 0 Width of riparian zone <6 meters: little or no riparian vegetation due to human activities.
each bank riparian zone) SCORE10 (LB)	lawns, or crops) have not impacted zone. Left 10 9	8 7 6	5 4 3	2 1 0

HABITAT SCORE

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HABITAT SCORES	VALUE	
OPTIMAL	160 - 200	
SUB-OPTIMAL	110 – 159	
MARGINAL	60 - 109	
POOR	< 60	

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LISTED IN ORDER OF ABUNDANCE FOUND

COMMON NAME	SCIENTIFIC NAME	# FOUND	SIZE RANGE (INCHES)
Blacknose Dace	Rhinichthys atratulus	105	
American Eel*	Anguilla rostrata	102	
White Sucker*	Catostomus commersoni	32	
Longnose Dace	Rhinichthys cataractae	23	
Tesselated Darter	Etheostoma olmstedi	17	
Common Shiner	Luxilus cornutus	10	
Cutlips Minnow	Exoglossum maxillingua	9	
Banded Killifish	Fundulus diaphanus	8	
Creek Chub	Semotilus atromaculatus	6	
Bluegill*	Lepomis macrochirus	2	2.4-3.0
Rainbow Trout*	Oncorhynchus mykiss	2	9.8-11.4
Sea Lamprey	Petromyzon marinus	2	
Eastern Mudminnow	Umbra pygmaea	1	
Largemouth Bass*	Micropterus salmoides	1	7.1

^{*} Regulated as a fishable species under current New Jersey Fish and Wildlife codes

Species Identified at Beaver Brook (FIBI047)

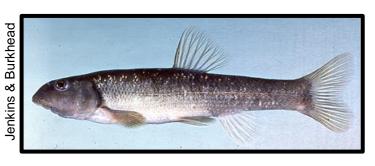
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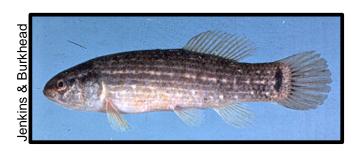


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Tesselated Darter

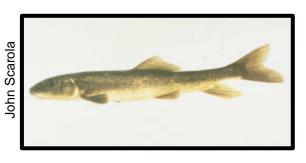
Largemouth Bass





Cutlips Minnow

Eastern Mudminnow



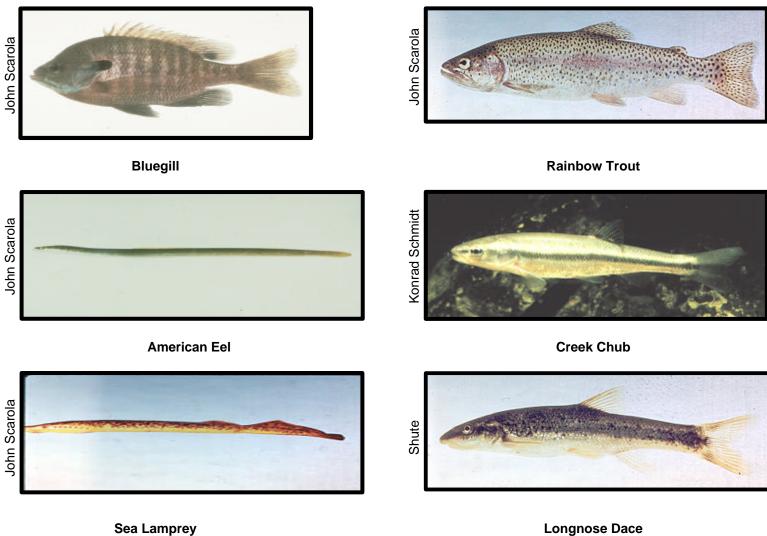


White Sucker

Blacknose Dace

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Common Shiner



Banded Killifish