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#### BAILEY-COX-NEWTSON WATERSHED

Starke County, Indiana

Prepared Under the Authority of the Watershed Protection and Flood Prevention Act (Public Law 566, 83d Congress, 68 Stat. 666), as Amended and in accordance with the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969, Section 102(2)(C) Public Law 91-190, as Amended

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#### WATERSHED PLAN AGREEMENT

#### between the

#### Starke County Soil and Water Conservation District

#### and the

#### Bailey-Cox-Newtson Conservancy District

(hereinafter referred to as the Sponsoring Local Organizations)

#### State of Indiana

and the

#### Soil Conservation Service United States Department of Agriculture (hereinafter referred to as the Service)

Whereas, application has heretofore been made to the Secretary of Agriculture by the Sponsoring Local Organizations for assistance in preparing a plan for works of improvement for the Bailey-Cox-Newtson Watershed, State of Indiana, under the authority of the Watershed Protection and Flood Prevention Act (P.L. 566, 83d Congress; 68 Stat. 666), as amended; and

Whereas, the responsiblity for administration of the Watershed Protection and Flood Prevention Act, as amended, has been assigned by the Secretary of Agriculture to the Service; and

Whereas, there has been developed through the cooperative efforts of the Sponsoring Local Organizations and the Service a mutually satisfactory plan for works of improvement for the Bailey-Cox-Newtson Watershed, State of Indiana, hereinafter referred to as the watershed plan, which plan is annexed to and made a part of this agreement;

Now, therefore, in view of the foregoing considerations, the Sponsoring Local Organizations and the Secretary of Agriculture, through the Service, hereby agree on the watershed plan, and further agree that the works of improvement as set forth in said plan can be installed in about five (5) years.

It is mutually agreed that in installing and operating and maintaining the works of improvement substantially in accordance with the terms, conditions, and stipulations provided for in the watershed plan:

 The Bailey-Cox-Newtson Conservancy District will acquire, with other than PL-566 funds such land rights as will be needed in connection with the works of improvement. (Estimated Cost \$267,400.) 2. The Bailey-Cox-Newtson Conservancy District assures that comparable replacement dwellings will be available for individuals and persons displaced from dwellings, and will provide relocation assistance advisory services and relocation assistance, make the relocation payments to displaced persons, and otherwise comply with the real property acquisition policies contained in the Uniform Relocation Assistance and Real Property Acquisition Policies Act of 1970 (Public Law 91-646, 84 Stat. 1894) effective as of January 2, 1971, and the Regulations issued by the Secretary of Agriculture pursuant thereto. The costs of relocation payments will be shared by the Bailey-Cox-Newtson Conservancy District and the Service as follows:

Bailey-Cox-Newtson <u>Conservancy District</u> (percent)		Estimated Relocation <u>Service</u> <u>Payment Costs</u> (percent) (dollars)	
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- 3. The Bailey-Cox-Newtson Conservancy District will acquire or provide assurance that landowners or water users have acquired such water rights pursuant to state law as may be needed in the installation and operation of the works of improvement.
- 4. The percentages of construction costs of structural measures to be paid by the Bailey-Cox-Newtson Conservancy District and by the Service are as follows:

Works of Improvement	Bailey-Cox-Newtson Conservancy District (percent)	Service (percent)	Estimated Construction <u>Cost</u> (dollars)
All Measures	25.0	75.0	624,960

<sup>\*</sup>Investigation has disclosed that under present conditions the project measures will not result in the displacement of any person, business, or farm operation. However, if relocations become necessary, relocation payments will be cost shared in accordance with the percentages shown.

5. The percentages of the engineering costs to be borne by the Bailey-Cox-Newtson Conservancy District and the Service are as follows:

Works of Bailey-Cox-Newtson Improvement Conservancy District (percent)		Service (percent)	Estimated Engineering <u>Cost</u> (dollars)
All Measures	0	100.0	62,000

- 6. The Bailey-Cox-Newtson Conservancy District and the Service will each bear the costs of Project Administration which it incurs, estimated to be \$18,700 and \$125,000, respectively.
- 7. The Starke County Soil and Water Conservation District will obtain agreements from owners of not less than 50 percent of the land above each structural measure that they will carry out conservation farm or ranch plans on their land.
- 8. The Starke County Soil and Water Conservation District will provide assistance to landowners and operators to assure the installation of the land treatment measures shown in the watershed plan.
- 9. The Sponsoring Local Organizations will encourage landowners and operators to operate and maintain the land treatment measures for the protection and improvement of the watershed.
- 10. The Bailey-Cox-Newtson Conservancy District will be responsible for the operation and maintenance of the structural works of improvement by actually performing the work or arranging for such work in accordance with agreements to be entered into prior to issuing invitations to bid for construction work.
- 11. The costs shown in this agreement represent preliminary estimates. In finally determining the costs to be borne by the parties hereto, the actual costs incurred in the installation of works of improvement will be used.
- 12. This agreement is not a fund obligating document. Financial and other assistance to be furnished by the Service in carrying out the watershed plan is contingent on the availability of appropriations for this purpose.

A separate agreement will be entered into between the Service and the Bailey-Cox-Newtson Conservancy District before either party initiates work involving funds of the other party. Such agreement will set forth in detail the financial and working arrangements and other conditions that are applicable to the specific works of improvement.

- 13. The watershed plan may be amended or revised, and this agreement may be modified or terminated only by mutual agreement of the parties hereto except for cause. The Service may terminate financial and other assistance in whole, or in part, at any time whenever it is determined that the Sponsoring Local Organizations have failed to comply with the conditions of this agreement. The Service shall promptly notify the Sponsoring Local Organizations in writing of the determination and the reasons for the termination, together with the effective date. Payments made to the Sponsoring Local Organizations or recoveries by the Service under projects terminated for cause shall be in accord with the legal rights and liabilities of the parties.
- 14. No member of or delegate of Congress, or resident commissioner, shall be admitted to any share or part of this agreement, or to any benefit that may arise therefrom; but this provision shall not be construed to extend to this agreement if made with a corporation for its general benefit.
- 15. The program conducted will be in compliance with all requirements respecting nondiscrimination as contained in the Civil Rights Act of 1964 and the regulations of the Secretary of Agriculture (7 C.F.R. 15.1-15.12), which provide that no person in the United States shall, on the ground of race, color, or national origin, be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be otherwise subjected to discrimination under any activity receiving federal financial assistance.
- 16. This agreement will not become effective until the Service has issued a notification of approval and authorizes assistance.

Starke County So Conservation	il and Water District	By <u>/s/</u> Walt	/ Walter H. Paegel ter H. Paegel
R.R. 1, Box 19	46504	Title_	Chairman
Address	Zip Code	Date	5/25/76
The signing of t	his agreement wa	s author	ized by a resolution of

the governing body of the Starke County Soil and Water Conservation District adopted at a meeting held on <u>May 25, 1976</u>

/s/ Wayne Emigh	R. 2, Box 115 Knox, Ind.	46534
Wayne Emigh Secretary, Starke County Soil and Water Conservation District	Address	Zip Code

Bailey-Cox-Newtson	Conservancy District	By_/s/ Frank Pulver
		Frank Pulver
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Knox, Ind.	46534	Title Chairman
Address	Zip Code	
		Date May 25, 1976

The signing of this agreement was authorized by a resolution of the governing body of the Bailey-Cox-Newtson Conservancy District adopted at a meeting held on May 5, 1976

/s/ Wm. Shaw William Shaw Secretary, Bailey-Cox-Newtson Conservancy District

804 So. Pearl	St.	
Knox, Ind.	46534	
Address	Zip	Code

Date May 25, 1976

Appropriate and careful consideration has been given to the environmental impact statement prepared for this project and to the environmental aspects thereof.

> Soil Conservation Service United States Department of Agriculture

> > Approved by:

/s/ Cletus J. Gillman

Cletus J. Gillman State Conservationist

May 25, 1976

Date

#### SUMMARY

The Bailey-Cox-Newtson Watershed includes approximately 18.86 square miles (12,070 acres) in north-central Starke County, Indiana. Three main manmade ditches, the Bailey, Cox, and Newtson, flow westward and join to form the Bailey Ditch about two miles prior to entering the Kankakee River. One small community, Brems, is located within the watershed; and the town of Knox is approximately two miles south.

The topography is level to nearly level with approximately an 80-foot elevation differential between the outlet of the Bailey Ditch and the extreme eastern end of the watershed. The watershed is within the Northern Lake and Moraine Region and has undergone relatively little change since the Wisconsin glaciation. The surficial geology consists chiefly of Pleistocene unconsolidated deposits of glaciofluvial sand, gravel, and silt with some occurrences of eolian (wind-blown) sand and recent alluvium. Three soil associations occur in the watershed: the Maumee-Gilford, the Morocco-Maumee-Brems, and the Rensselaer-Milford. The coarse textured soils of the watershed are droughty during extended periods of low rainfall. Areas in which the hazard of wind erosion is most severe are mainly confined to the eastern two-thirds of the watershed.

The project is sponsored by the Starke County Soil and Water Conservation District (SWCD) and the Bailey-Cox-Newtson Conservancy District (Conservancy District).

Watershed problems covered by the plan are: inadequate land and water management, floodwater damage, erosion, inadequate drainage and droughty soil conditions.

Land treatment measures will be installed by individual landowners and operators primarily through cooperative agreement with the Starke County SWCD. Technical assistance will be provided to the SWCD by the Soil Conservation Service (Service) and the Indiana Department of Natural Resources (IDNR), Division of Forestry, in cooperation with the U.S. Forest Service. Land treatment practices considered applicable for installation in the watershed include: conservation cropping systems, crop residue use, critical area planting, drainage field ditches, field border, field windbreaks, grade stabilization structures, hedgerow planting, minimum tillage, livestock exclusion, pasture and hayland management, pond, subsurface drains, stripcropping, wildlife habitat management (upland and wetland), and woodland improvement. Application of these conservation measures will provide benefits and alleviate problems covered by the plan. The Other cost (all funds other than Public Law 566) of the land

#### SUMMARY--cont'd

treatment measures is estimated at \$352,770 which includes \$2,900 for forest land measures. Estimated Public Law 566 (PL-566) cost for technical assistance is \$19,730.

Structural measures consist of 26.2 miles of multiple purpose flood prevention and drainage channel work (19.0 miles of deepening and/or enlargement and 7.2 miles of selective clearing only), 6,900 lineal feet of dike, a pump station at the watershed outlet, 14 structures for water control, and a 14-acre area for spawning. All channel work, except 1.2 miles of new construction, will be performed on intermittent, manmade channels. Installation of the proposed measures will benefit 2,317 acres from joint floodwater damage and drainage impairment, provide drainage benefits to 4,183 acres, and relieve flooding on 2,810 acres. The estimated total cost of the structural measures is \$1,098,060, of which \$655,720 is PL-566 and \$442,340 is Other cost. Estimated annual cost is \$67,430. Annual operation and maintenance cost to be borne by the sponsors is estimated at \$20,420. The total annual cost of installation and operation and maintenance is \$87,850. The total installation cost (land treatment and structural measures) is estimated at \$1,470,560, with \$675,450 being PL-566 cost and \$795,110 Other cost.

Total average annual benefits from structural measures are an estimated \$156,250, which includes flood damage reduction benefits of \$48,100 more intensive land use benefits of \$12,060, agriculture water management (drainage) benefits of \$46,870, and local secondary benefits of \$49,220.

A five-year installation period is planned.

The ratio of average annual benefits of \$156,250 to the average annual cost of \$87,850 is 1.8 to 1.0.



#### INTRODUCTION

The plan and environmental impact statement for Bailey-Cox-Newtson Watershed has been combined into one document. Part I, Watershed Plan, has been briefed to avoid excessive duplication with information required in the Environmental Impact Statement, Part II. Part II should be reviewed for additional information on the environmental setting, water and related land resource problems, project formulation, planned project, and the effects of works of improvement. The project map is included in Part II, as Appendix B.

#### PLANNED MEASURES

#### Land Treatment Measures

Land treatment measures will be installed voluntarily by individual landowners and operators primarily through cooperative agreement with the SWCD. Technical assistance will be provided to the SWCD by the Service and the IDNR, Division of Forestry, in cooperation with the U.S. Forest Service. Land treatment practices considered appropriate for installation in the watershed are: conservation cropping systems, crop residue use, critical area planting, drainage field ditches, field border, field windbreaks, grade stabilization structures, hedgerow planting, minimum tillage, livestock exclusion, pasture and hayland management, pond, subsurface drains, stripcropping, tree planting, wildlife habitat management (upland and wetland), and woodland improvement. These measures include the needed conservation practices having hydrologic, pollution, erosion, and sediment control significance in reducing floodwater damage and those which contribute to achieving agricultural water management benefits.

#### Structural Measures

The structural measures consist of approximately 19.0 miles of channel excavation and 7.2 miles of selective clearing. These measures will require modifications to 11 culverts and bridges.

The work includes 6,900 lineal feet of dike and a pump near the downstream end of the watershed. Also provided are 14 structures for water control in the middle portion of the watershed and a 14-acre area west of the dike (south of Bailey Ditch) that includes 4,000 lineal feet of spawning ditches.

The pump station will be equipped with drainage gates at elevation 666.0 MSL and 668.0 MSL to enable seasonal flooding for waterfowl of 44 acres after fall harvest and before the pumps are needed in the spring.

Thirty-nine acres of woody vegetation will be planted along the channel (see Exhibit 4) and a 25-foot strip along the water side of the dike. The strip along the dike will also help to minimize wave action on the dike.

A detailed discussion of planned measures is located in Part II (EIS), Planned Project. Also see Table 3 (Structure Data Channels) and Appendix B (Project Map) for remaining details.

#### INSTALLATION COSTS--MONETARY

#### Land Treatment Measures

The installation cost of land treatment measures is estimated to be \$372,500. The Other cost of the land treatment measures is estimated at \$352,770 which includes \$2,900 for forest land measures. Estimated total cost for technical assistance is \$33,830, of which \$32,730 will be paid from Soil Conservation Service funds (PL-566 \$19,730) and \$1,100 from the going Cooperative Forest Management Programs. (See Table 1.)

The estimated schedule of PL-566 and Other technical assistance obligations for installation of land treatment is indicated as follows:

Fiscal Year		Technical PL-566	Assistance Other	<u>Installation Cost</u> Landowners & Operators
lst 2nd 3rd 4th 5th		\$3,946 3,946 3,946 3,946 3,946 3,946	\$2,820 2,820 2,820 2,820 2,820 2,820	\$67,734 67,734 67,734 67,734 67,734
	Total	\$19,730	\$14,100	\$338,670

#### Structural Measures

Installation costs for structural measures as shown in Table 2 include construction, land rights, engineering, and project administration costs. The table shows the total PL-566 and Other costs.

Construction costs are the estimated contract cost for constructing structural measures. It includes all materials, labor, and machinery involved in construction (including mitigation and preservation measures). A contingency is added to the estimated contract cost for all works of improvement to defray any unexpected cost that may occur during construction.

Engineering costs are the costs for preparing construction plans for the structural measures. These costs include the direct cost of engineers, geologists, and technicians for construction surveys and investigations; soil and foundation drilling and testing; and design and preparation of construction plans and specifications.

#### INSTALLATION COSTS--MONETARY

#### Structural Measures--cont'd

Land rights costs include, but are not necessarily limited to, all expenditures for: (1) acquisition of land rights for construction and mitigation, the value of which is estimated by the sponsoring local organizations; (2) relocation or reconstruction of property line fences; (3) relocation, alteration, or removal of pipelines and/or utility lines; (4) modifications to 11 culverts and bridges; and (5) all legal fees and surveys associated with acquisition of land rights. Land required for channel work includes a permanent easement on that land between the outside edge of the buffer strip on the unconstructed side and the crest of the spoil bank on the constructed side. A distance of 15 feet from the top of ditch bank on the unconstructed side is required (when one side construction is used).

Project administration costs are the PL-566 and Other administrative costs associated with the installation of structural measures including the cost of contract administration, relocation assistance advisory services, administrative functions connected with relocation payments, review of engineering plans prepared by others, government representatives, and necessary inspection service during construction to insure that structural measures are installed in accordance with the plans and specifications.

Relocation assistance advisory services are not to be confused with other administrative functions associated with relocation payments. The advisory services include such items as: (1) determination of needs; (2) obtaining current pertinent information concerning housing programs, costs, etc.; (3) developing and handing out brochures; (4) assurance of replacement dwellings; and (5) assisting in getting established. The other administrative functions to be provided as needed include such items as (1) providing by first-class mail written notice of displacement and appropriate application forms to each displaced person, business, or farm operation; (2) assistance in filing applications; (3) reviewing and taking action on applications for assistance; (4) reviewing and processing grievances; and (5) making relocation payments.

#### Cost Allocation and Cost Sharing

Costs for all planned structural measures are allocated 50 percent to flood prevention and 50 percent to drainage.

One hundred percent of construction costs allocated to flood prevention and 50 percent of the construction costs allocated to drainage are PL-566 costs. All engineering costs will be 100 percent PL-566 funds. All land rights costs will be paid by Other funds.

#### INSTALLATION COSTS--MONETARY

#### Cost Allocation and Cost Sharing--cont'd

The construction of protective fencing, armor plating, wildlife habitat plantings and habitat boundary markers are considered construction costs and cost sharing for these items will be the same as for other construction.

#### Project Costs

A summary of the estimated installation costs is shown in the following table:

	PL-566	Conservancy District	Total
Construction Engineering Services	\$468,720 62,000	\$156,240	\$624,960 62,000 267,400
Project Administration	125,000	18,700	143,700
Total	\$655,720	\$442,340	\$1,098,060

An estimated schedule of PL-566 and Other obligations for installation of the structural measures by fiscal year, including project administration cost, is tabulated in dollars as follows:

Fiscal Year	PL-566	District
lst 2nd 3rd	\$ 39,340 334,420 <u>281,960</u>	\$190,200 137,130 115,010
Total	\$655,720	\$442,340

#### Non-Project Costs

There are no known or anticipated non-project costs for this project. Should any non-project costs occur, they must be borne by the Conservancy District. This subject is covered here to avoid possible misunderstanding during contract negotiations and construction.

Non-project costs include all additional costs resulting from changes of, or additions to, project works of improvement for non-project purposes or maintenance such as: (1) distributing and leveling spoil or disposing of excavated material primarily to improve land; (2) filling depressional areas outside of the right-of-way; or (3) modifying planned works of improvement for the convenience of the Conservancy District.

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#### BENEFITS--MONETARY

Total average annual benefits from structural measures are estimated to be \$156,250. This total includes flood damage reduction benefits of \$48,100, more intensive land use benefits of \$12,060, agriculture water management (drainage) benefits of \$46,870, and local secondary benefits of \$49,220 (Table 6).

Flood damage reduction benefits will be realized as a result of reduced flood damages to cropland and roads and bridges. Joint benefits accrue on cropland as a result of project measures which alleviate problems caused by floodwater and impaired drainage.

Only those secondary benefits generated by the project through increased demands on local suppliers of goods and services and on local processing, transporting and marketing facilities were evaluated. Benefits accruing through an enhancement of the overall environment of the watershed area, although significant locally, were not evaluated. Benefits of a secondary nature from a national viewpoint were not considered pertinent and were, therefore, not evaluated.

#### COMPARISON OF BENEFITS AND COSTS

Average annual costs, benefits, and comparison of benefits and costs are shown in Tables 4 and 6. The ratio of average annual benefits, excluding secondary benefits, of \$107,030 to average annual cost of \$87,850 is 1.2 to 1. The ratio of benefits to cost is \$156,250 to \$87,850 or 1.8 to 1.

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#### INSTALLATION PROVISIONS

#### Land Treatment Measures

The Starke County SWCD will provide assistance for the application of the land treatment measures. The measures will be installed by private landowners and operators within a 5-year period. The Service will provide personnel to assist the SWCD in providing landowners and operators technical assistance to develop conservation plans and to install planned practices. Technical assistance for the forest land measures will be furnished by the IDNR, Division of Forestry, in cooperation with the U.S. Forest Service.

#### Structural Measures

All works of improvement will be installed during a 3-year period. Construction plans and specifications on contracts will be completed by the Service after land rights have been obtained by the sponsors. Mitigation measures are considered construction costs and will be a part of each construction contract. In order to make efficient use of personnel and to realize the most benefit from the structural measures, the works of improvement will be installed in the following yearly sequence:

- 1. Land rights acquisition & detailed design
- 2. Dike & pump station
- 3. Channel work and structures for water control

The Conservancy District is the sponsoring local organization qualified under state law to carry out works of improvement outlined in the plan. The Conservancy District has the powers of eminent domain and taxation, as provided by the Indiana Conservancy Act, and will use these powers as necessary to assure scheduled completion of the project. The Conservancy District will be responsible for securing land rights, including necessary appraisals from qualified appraisers, and administering contracts. The Conservancy District will be responsible for 100 percent of the cost of land rights and 50 percent of the construction cost allocation to drainage. Donations of land, easement, and rights-of-way will go directly toward decreasing the Conservancy District's land rights cost.

The IDNR, in accordance with state laws and regulations, will review and approve plans and specifications for the structural works of improvement.

An interdisciplinary team comprised of representatives from the IDNR, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, landowners and sponsors, and the Service will participate in the development of design plans and

#### INSTALLATION PROVISIONS

#### Structural Measures--cont'd

specifications and operation and maintenance procedures. These cooperatively developed plans and specifications will be adhered to unless determined inappropriate during construction; however, all members of the team will be provided the opportunity to develop the necessary revisions.
### Land Treatment Measures

The land treatment measures will be operated and maintained by the owners and operators of farms under agreement with the Starke County SWCD. Technical assistance will be provided by the Service.

Forest land treatment measures will be maintained by the landowners and operators with technical assistance furnished by IDNR, Division of Forestry, in cooperation with the U.S. Forest Service under the going Cooperative Forest Management Programs.

### Structural Measures

Operation and maintenance costs include all necessary expenditures after installation to realize the estimated benefits during the 100-year project evaluation period.

The Conservancy District will assume responsibility for operation and maintenance of all measures including mitigation measures for fish and wildlife. The operation and maintenance work will consist of such items as spraying or controlling of excessive vegetative growth within the channel and on channel side slopes, removing debris and/or excavation of shoal deposits as required to reduce accelerated bank erosion, maintaining channel capacity, repairing of critical areas by seeding, sodding or placement of riprap, and protection of project mitigation features within the permanent easement areas. Operating agreements will include provisions as indicated in the revegetation plan. Operation and maintenance will be conducted in a manner to minimize adverse environmental effects. State and federal agency restrictions on pesticides will be recognized when providing maintenance on project rights-of-way.

Operation agreements will also include details of the Conservancy District's operating procedures of the pump station and the structures for water control.

The Conservancy District has the authority to finance this work by either taxation or special assessment. The Conservancy District shall budget annually the necessary funds to meet the probable expenses of operation and maintenance.

The total estimated annual operation, maintenance and replacement cost is \$20,420.

A period of time is prescribed to provide for the establishment of adequate vegetative cover for measures. This "establishment period" applies only to vegetation installed as a structural measure.

### Structural Measures--cont'd

The establishment period terminates when the Service notifies the Conservancy District that adequate vegetative cover is established or after two growing seasons have elapsed after the initial installation of the vegetative measure. During the establishment period for vegetative measures, the Service may approve PL-566 cost-sharing for additional work required to obtain an adequate vegetative cover.

A Service representative will make a joint inspection with the sponsors annually, after severe floods, and after the occurrence of any unusual conditions that might adversely affect the structural measures. These joint inspections will continue for three years following the acceptance of the works of improvement for operation and maintenance by the local sponsors. Inspections after the third year will be made annually by the sponsors. A report will be prepared of any such inspections and the Service representative will receive a copy. The IDNR will be invited to participate in any scheduled inspections. A record of each inspection will be kept in the sponsor's file and will be available for authorized review.

Specific operation and maintenance agreements and plans will be executed between the sponsors and the Service prior to signing land rights, relocation or project agreements. These agreements will use as a basis the Service State Watershed Operations and Maintenance Handbook. These agreements will contain, in addition to specific sponsor responsibilities for nonstructural and structural measures, specific provisions for retention and disposal of property acquired or improved with PL-566 financial assistance.

### Channels

Sediment and other debris will be removed periodically from the channels. It is anticipated that a dragline or large backhoe will be contracted about once every three years to perform maintenance which has been identified by regular inspections. Other items requiring maintenance and or replacement are fences, vegetative markers, vegetation (including trees and shrubs), and drainage appurtenances. The estimated average annual operation, maintenance and replacement cost for the channels is \$3,430.

### Dike

The dike will be patrolled periodically and especially after severe storms. Any weakness will be repaired immediately. Trees and brushy growth will not be permitted to remain on the dike. Where rodent damage is a problem, measures will be taken to discourage them from burrowing into the dike.

### Structural Measures--cont'd

During periods of high flood, the elevation of the water in the interior ditch will be maintained as high as possible to reduce the possibility of dike failure.

The estimated average annual operation, maintenance, and replacement cost for the dike is \$1,760.

### Pumps and pumping station

The pumps will be designed to operate automatically and, therefore, will require a minimum of attention. However, frequent visits will be necessary to insure proper operation. Maintenance will be in accordance with manufacturer's recommendations.

The replacement schedule is as follows: pumps--16 years, electric motors--25 years, trash racks and gates--25 years, concrete structure--50 years.

The periods of pump operation are shown below:

Period	Dates	Pumps	Gravity Gates
1	Jan. 1 to March 15	Off	Open
2	March 15 to June 15	On	Open & Closed
3	June 15 to Sept. 15	Off	Open
4	Sept. 15 to Dec. 1	0n	Open & Closed
5	Dec. 1 to Dec. 31	Off	Open

The gravity gates may be open when the pumps are not in operation. The pumps will be operated when the elevation of the Kankakee River impairs drainage within the Bailey Ditch system. The pumps will operate annually 15 percent of the time. The estimated operation, maintenance, and replacement cost is \$11,030.

### Structures for water control

The structures will be operated to prevent excessive drainage in areas adjacent to the channel where deepening is required and to control the subsurface water level to provide for better conservation of summer rains.

The structures will be operational during the period of June 15 to August 15. Control boards will be installed in the spring and removed in the fall. The boards will be stored in the pump shelter. The estimated annual operation, maintenance, and replacement cost is \$3,200.

### Structural Measures--cont'd

### Spawning area

Natural wetland vegetation will be allowed to develop in the spawning area. Selective shearing of woody vegetation will be necessary to maintain herbaceous cover. It is estimated that shearing will be necessary once every five years.

The replacement schedule of the spawning area is 20 years.

The estimated average annual operation, maintenance, and replacement cost is \$1,000.

### Winter waterfowl area

The pump station will be constructed to permit 44 acres to flood after fall harvest and until the pumps are needed in the spring. This will be done by closing the lower drainage gates (Elev. 660.0 MSL), opening the higher drainage gates (Elev. 668.0 MSL), and disconnecting the pumps. See <u>Pumps and pumping station</u> for maintenance and replacement schedule.

The cost of operation, maintenance, and replacement of the gates is included under Pumps and pumping station.

### FINANCING PROJECT

Federal financial assistance for carrying out the works of improvement set forth in this plan will be provided under the authority of the Watershed Protection and Flood Prevention Act (PL-566, 83rd Congress, 68 Stat. 666), as amended. Federal financial assistance is contingent on the appropriation of funds to carry out this plan.

### Land Treatment Measures

Technical assistance for installation of all accelerated land treatment for which the Service has responsibility will be provided with PL-566 funds. Technical assistance for forest land treatment measures will be provided by the IDNR, Division of Forestry, in cooperation with the U.S. Forest Service through the Cooperative Forest Management Program.

Any cost-sharing for installation of approved land treatment measures will be provided through the Agricultural Conservation Program (ACP), administered by the Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation Service, or by other funds as might be appropriated by Congress.

### Structural Measures

The Conservancy District was organized in 1972. It has levied a general tax over the watershed to carry out the necessary functions since that time. Negotiations are underway with the Farmers Home Administration to secure a loan to meet financial needs during installation. The Conservancy District will, through tax or assessment levies, secure funds for annual expenses of operations, maintenance and replacement, and repayment of loans.

The Conservancy District is reponsible for the following installation cost:

- 1. 100 percent of the land rights--est. \$267,400
- 2. 25 percent of the construction costs--est. \$156,240
- 3. Project administration costs--est. \$18,700

Invitations to bid on the construction of planned structural measures will be issued after the project agreements are executed. These agreements will be executed when the following conditions have been met: (1) PL-566 funds have been appropriated; (2) the Conservancy District has funds available and is prepared to fulfill its responsibilities; (3) necessary land rights have been obtained; (4) construction plans and specifications have been prepared and approved as required; and (5) operation and maintenance agreements have been executed.

### FINANCING PROJECT

### Structural Measures--cont'd

Prior to entering into agreements that obligate funds of the Service, the Conservancy District will have a financial management system for control, accountability, and disclosure of PL-566 funds received and for control and accountability for property and other assets purchased with PL-566 funds.

Program income earned during the grant period will be reported on the sponsor's request for advance or reimbursement from the Service. For this purpose, the grant period shall extend from the effective date of the Service's fund obligating agreement until the date on which the Service formally notifies the sponsors that the undertaking has been satisfactorily completed.

Program income may include, but is not limited to, income from service fees, usage, or rental fees and sale of assets purchased with federal funds under a Service-fund agreement. TABLE 1 - ESTIMATED PROJECT INSTALLATION

# Bailey-Cox-Newtson Watershed, Indiana

		Number	Estima	ted Cost (Dollars	3) *			
			P.L. 566 Funds		Other			
			Non-Federal Land		Non-Federal	Land		
Installation Cost Item	Unit	Non-Federal Land	SCS **	Total	SCS**	FS **	Total	Total
LAND TREATWENT Land Areas ***								
Cropland	Ac.	7820		-	303,600	I	303,600	303,600
Pastureland	Ac.	130			18,180	1	18,180	18,180
Forestland	Ac.	125		1	1	1,800	1,800	1,800
Other Land	Ac.	175	1	I	15,090		15,090	15,090
Technical Assistance			19,730	19.730	13,000	1,100	14,100	33,830
TOTAL LAND TREATMENT	Ac.	8,250	19,730	19,730	349,870	2,900	352,770	372.500
STRUCTURAL MEASURES Construction								
Pumping Station	No.	1.	133,550	133,550	44,520	I	44,520	178.070
Dike	. FM	1.3	89,095	89,095	29,695	1	29,695	118.790
Structure for Water Control	No.	14	45,000	45,000	15,000	1	15,000	60,000
Channel Modification**** (M)	· FM	25.0	191.875	191.875	63.925		63 075	255 RUD
(0)	M1.	1.2	9,200	9.200	3.100		3,100	12,300
Subtotal - Construction	1	1	468,720	468,720.	156,240	1	156,240	624.960
Engineering Services	1		62,000	62,000		I	1	62,000
Relocation Payments	1	1		1	1	I	1	
Prolect Administration Construction Inspection	ł	ł	50,000 75,000	50,000 75,000		I	1	50,000 93 700
Relocation Assistance Advisory Services								00 <b>.</b> °
Subtotal - Administration	1	1	125,000	125,000	18,700	1	18,700	143,700
Other Costs Land Rights	I	I	I	1	267,400	I	267,400	267,400
Subtotal Other	1			1	267.400	1	267.400	267.400
TOTAL STRUCTURAL MEASURES	1	-	655,720	655,720	442,340	1	442.340	1.098.060
TOTAL PROJECT		1	675.450	I 675.450	792.210	2,900	795,110	1,470,560
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Rederal agency responsible for assisting in installation of works of improvement. \*\*

Includes only areas estimated to be adequately treated during the project installation period. Treatment will be accelerated throughout the watershed, and dollar amounts apply to total land areas, not just to adequately treated areas. (M)-manmade ditch or previously modified channel; (0)-none or practically no defined channel. \*\*\*

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# TABLE 1A--STATUS OF WATERSHED WORKS OF IMPROVEMENT

### (At Time of Plan Preparation)

## BAILEY-COX-NEWTSON WATERSHED, INDIANA

			Total
		Applied	Cost
Measure	Unit	To Date	(Dollars)*
District Cooperators	No.	28	
Conservation Plans	No.	22	
Conservation Plans (Rev.)	No.	3	
Standard Soil Survey	Ac.	5,240	
Conservation Cropping System	Ac.	3,685	18,425
Grade Stabilization Structures	No.	8	9,600
Minimum Tillage	Ac.	2,856	8,568
Crop Residue Use	Ac.	3,684	11,052
Subsurface Drain	Ft.	80,000	64,000
Drainage Field Ditches	Ft.	26,400	18,480
Drainage Main or Lateral	Ft.	80,300	120,450
Pasture and Hayland Planting	Ac.	43	3,225
Tree Planting	Ac.	5	175
Pond	No.	- 2	4,000
Pumping Plants	No.	4	4,800

TOTAL

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262,775

\*Price Base 1975

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TABLE 2--ESTIMATED STRUCTURAL COST DISTRIBUTION

Bailey-Cox-Newtson Watershed, Indiana

(Dollars)\*

	Installatior	n Cost PL-50	66 Funds	Installa	tion CostOth	er Funds	Total
Ea	Construc- tion**	Engineer- ing	Total PL-566	Construc- tion**	Land Rights***	Total Other	Installation Cost
ng Station	133,550 89,095	18,000 12,000	151,550 101,095	44,520 29,695	2,000 37,800	46,520 67,495	198,070 168,590
tures for r Control	45,000	6,000	51,000	15,000	;	15,000	66,000
el fication##	191,875	25,080	216,955	63,925	216,710	280,635	497,590
	9,200	920	10,120	3,100	10,890	13,990	24,110
tal	468,720#	62,000	530,720	156,240#	267,400	423,640	954,360
ct istration	ХХХХХХХ	хххххх	125,000	ХХХХХХХ	ХХХХХХХ	18,700	143,700
TOTAL	ХХХХХХХ	ХХХХХХ	655,720	ХХХХХХХ	ХХХХХХХ	442,340	1,098,060

Price base 1975.

Includes \$19,070 (\$14,300 PL-566; \$4,770 Other) for reinforcing, underpinning, or reconstructing existing railroad and public road bridge piers and abutments necessitated by modification of the channel. \*\*

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Includes \$40,000 for new and alterations to existing culverts and bridges. Cost includes \$57,570 for mitigation and preservation, including spawning area (\$43,180 PL-566; \$14,390 Other). (M) - Manmade ditch or previously modified channel; (0) - None or bractically or defined channel; #

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TABLE 2A--COST ALLOCATION AND COST SHARING SUMMARY

Bailey-Cox-Newtson Watershed, Indiana

(Dollars)\*

	R	Total	423,640		423,640
	OTHE	Drainage	289,940		289,940
HARING		Flood Preven- tion	133,700		133,700
COST S	66	Total	530,720		530,720
	P.L. 5	Drainage	187,240	÷	187,240
		Flood Preven- tion	343,480		343,480
DCATION	)SE	Total	954,360		954,360
COST ALL	PURP(	Drainage	477,180		477,180
		Flood Preven- tion	477,180		477,180
		Item	411 Measures		GRAND TOTAL

\* Price Base 1975



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# Bailey-Cox-Newtson Watershed, Indiana

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nd Reach		Station	Sq. Mi.	cfs.	Width	Grade	of Flow	Aged	Value As Built	Aged	./sec. As Built	Purpose3/	Channel 4/	Flow Condition
Bailey	556+00	602+00	1.8	32	4	.0009	2.5	.040	.030	1.4	1.8	ЧŅ	Σ	I
Oitch	602+00	655+00	2.8	46	9	.0013	2.4	.040	.030	1.9	2.0	ЧW	W	н
	655+00	681+00	3.1	50	ω	.0015	2.1	.040	.030	1.9	2.3	MP	W	н
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	533+00	568+50	1.8	32	4	.0009	2.5	.040	.030	1.4	1.8	ЧM	Σ	Ι
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	853+50	909+50	5.2	06	Sele	ctive Cl	earing					dW	W	г
Lateral #1	76+00	114+nn	1.2	23	4	.0003	2.7	.040	.030	0.9	1.1	dW	W	н
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	127+00	168+00	1.2	23	4	.0003	2.7	.040	.030	0.9	1.1	MP	М	Г
Lateral #2	50+00	162+00	1.2	23	4	.0003	2.7	.040	.030	0.9	1.1	MP	W	Ι
Newtson	627+00	822+50	3.8	60	Sele	ctive Cl	earing					MP	W	Ч
Ditch	822+50	930+50	6.5	95	12	.0003	3.9	.040	.030	1.2	1.5	MP	W	I
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# TABLE 4--ANNUAL COST

### Bailey-Cox-Newtson Watershed, Indiana

(Dollars)\*

Evaluation Unit	Amortization of Installation Cost**	Operation, Maintenance, and Replacement Cost	Total
All Measures	58,610	20,420	79,030
Project Admin- istration	8,820	XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX	8,820
GRAND TOTAL	67,4 <sup>3</sup> 30	20,420	87,850

\* Price base: 1975

\*\*100 years @ 6 1/8 percent interest.



## TABLE 5--ESTIMATED AVERAGE ANNUAL FLOOD DAMAGE REDUCTION BENEFITS

Bailey-Cox-Newtson Watershed, Indiana

### (Dollars) \*

Item	Estimated Aver Without Project	age Annual Damage With Project	Damage Reduction Benefit
Floodwater Crop and Pasture Nonagricultural Road & Bridge	45,190 1,000	380	44,810 1,000
Indirect	2,310	20	2,290
Total	48,500	400	48,100

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\*Price base - Agriculture Prices current Normalized (WRC-Oct. 1974). Other items current 1975.

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TABLE 6--COMPARISON OF BENEFITS AND COSTS FOR STRUCTURAL MEASURES

Bailey-Cox-Newtson Watershed, Indiana

(Dollars)

	Benefit Cost Ratio	2.0:1.0	хххххх	1.8:1.0	
	Avg. Annual Cost **	79,030	8,820	87,850	
	Total	156,250	*****	156,250	
	Secondary	49,220	*****	49,220	
Annual Benefits*	Drainage	46,870	*****	46,870	
Average /	More Intensive Land Use	12,060		12,060	
	Damage Reduction	48,100	хххххххххх	48,100	
	Evaluation Unit	411 Measures	Project Admin- istration	GRAND TOTAL	

\*Price base = Agriculture prices current normalized (WRC-Oct. 1974). Other items current 1975.

\*\*From Table 4



### ADDENDUM

### to the

### BAILEY-COX-NEWTSON WATERSHED PLAN

### Starke County, Indiana

### INTRODUCTION

This addendum was developed in accordance with phase-in procedures adopted by the Water Resources Council.

Part I of this addendum shows the effect of evaluating the structural measures using 1975 installation costs, a 6 1/8 percent discount rate, current normalized prices for agricultural products (WRC--Oct. 1974), and 1975 prices for values other than agricultural products.

Part II of the addendum displays an abbreviated alternative plan developed to emphasize environmental quality. This is a hypothetical plan, not to be installed, which presents information for comparison with the selected plan.

Part III of the addendum displays the effects of the selected plan as evaluated for each of the separate accounts--national economic development, environmental quality, regional development, and social well-being.



### ADDENDUM PART I

### BAILEY-COX-NEWTSON WATERSHED

### EFFECT OF USING CURRENT VALUES FOR EVALUATIONS

The following tabulation shows the effect of evaluating the structural measures using a 6 1/8 percent discount rate, 1975 installation costs, 1975 prices for values other than agricultural products, and current normalized prices (WRC--Oct. 1974) for agricultural products.

Average Annual Costs	\$ 87,850
Average Annual Benefits: Primary Benefits Secondary	107,030 49,220
Total Benefits	\$156,250
Benefit to Cost Ratios: Total Benefits to Cost Without Secondary Benefits	1.8:1.0 1.2:1.0



### ADDENDUM PART II

### BAILEY-COX-NEWTSON WATERSHED

### ABBREVIATED ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY PLAN

### ENVIRONMENTAL PROBLEMS

### Areas of Natural Beauty

The watershed has a limited variety of scenery because of land use patterns and topography; lack of lakes, perennial streams, major water courses, and other natural features. About 85 percent of the area is devoted to agricultural uses with 4 percent in forest land, and 11 percent other land.

### Recreational Resources

Recreational activities are limited throughout the watershed. Individual recreational activities such as bird watching, hiking, nature walking, hunting, and fishing are the only activities available to the general public in the watershed. Landowners' permission for entry must be obtained before participating in most of these activities.

### Water and Land Quality

About 8,800 acres of cropland or 75 percent of the watershed has some degree of wind erosion. The most severe wind erosion occurs on approximately 20 acres. The most serious damage from wind erosion is the separation of clay and silt particles and organic matter from the soil surface. Relatively infertile sandy material is left behind. Sediment in the channel produces debris blocks that impede waterflow, particularly at road culverts.

Sediment yields from the watershed are low. The average annual sediment yield from the entire watershed is estimated at 118 tons/year.

About 7,700 acres of droughty soils are located within the watershed. These soils result in a sizeable yield reduction for row crops which require larger amounts of moisture. Grass and/or woodland are better suited for the soil capabilities.

The watershed lies within the Kankakee River Basin. The soils have a seasonal high water table; therefore, the dominant soils in the watershed have severe limitations for septic tank absorption fields.

### ENVIRONMENTAL PROBLEMS--cont'd

### Biological Resources and Selected Ecosystems

The predominant agricultural monoculture provides a low quality unvaried habitat for many wildlife species. Clean tillage practices destroy suitable habitat for wildlife species that favor upland agriculture. The watershed is short of permanent surface water habitat for fish and wildlife.

### COMPONENT NEEDS

- 1. Improve water and land quality by controlling erosion, sedimentation, and other pollutants.
- Reduce residential and industrial development on soils possessing severe limitations for septic tank absorption fields.
- 3. Proper land use on droughty soils.
- 4. Establish, improve, and manage fish and wildlife habitat.
- 5. Establish recreational activities where resources are available within the watershed.
- 6. Provide diversity of landscape.

### PLAN ELEMENTS

- 1. Install appropriate land treatment measures on about 9,743 acres. Land treatment measures to be applied include: minimum tillage, crop residue use, grade stabilization structures, field windbreak and other measures as needed. Soil conserving mechanical practices and cropping systems would be applied on all croplands. Pasture would be used and managed to protect stand cover and maintain vigor of desired plant species. Forest land treatment measures would be used where needed to control erosion and adjust land use to land capability throughout the watershed. The estimated cost of installation including technical assistance is \$439,911.
- 2. Implement proper land use within capability. Convert 8,880 acres of cropland composed of soils susceptible to wind and sheet erosion and 7,700 acres of soil with moderate to severe drought limitations to pastureland and forest land. (Most of this acreage is overlapping.) Improve land use by restricting urban sprawl to areas where sanitary sewers are available. The estimated installation cost, including technical assistance is \$749,340.

### PLAN ELEMENTS--cont'd

- 3. Obtain and convert about 378 acres of cropland into parcels of forest land. These parcels should be 10 acres or larger and should be scattered throughout the watershed on soils suited to desired tree species. The estimated installation cost of this conversion, including technical assistance and cost of land, is \$38,367.
- 4. Establish about 554 acres of upland wildlife areas in scattered blocks such as in "off field" areas along fence rows and ditch banks. The vegetation should be a mixture of trees, shrubs, and herbaceous plants which have a high value for wildlife food and/or cover. The estimated establishment cost, including technical assistance and cost of land, is \$49,024.
- 5. <u>Management of 120 acres subject to annual flooding for a seasonal waterfowl area</u>. Properly managed, this area would provide excellent waterfowl habitat during the non-cropping season. Pumps could be shut off after harvest and remain off until drainage is needed in preparation for crop planting. This non-cropping season is normally expected to be between mid-November and mid-March.
- 6. Restrict land use for a distance of 50 feet from each edge of the stream or ditch banks. The acreage involved could be considered as part of the 554 acres of upland wildlife habitat previously mentioned. The estimated installation cost, including technical assistance, is \$25,116.
- 7. Establish and maintain needed recreational facilities. Develop facilities for the following recreational activities: bicycling, hiking and nature walking, hunting, picnicking, playground and playfield. Existing woodland provides an excellent opportunity to develop an outdoor lab to further conservation education in the community. The estimated installation cost, including technical assistance, is \$125,123.

Total estimated cost of all plan elements is \$1,426,881.

### INSTITUTIONAL ARRANGEMENT

Institutional arrangements available and needed for the implementation of the Environmental Quality Plan. Legal entities of government are in existence for assisting in the implementation of the EQ Plan. They include township and county governments and the SWCD. County governments have the powers of eminent domain and taxation by law.

### INSTITUTIONAL ARRANGEMENT--cont'd

State and federal programs are available, providing financial assistance both for land acquisition and for establishment of measures to implement the EQ Plan, namely:

### State Programs

Indiana Department of Natural Resources

- a. Forestation Program--provide tree planting stocks and technical assistance; and
- b. Private Land Wildlife Habitat Improvement Program-provide technical assistance to create wildlife habitat on private lands.

### Federal Programs

- U.S. Department of Agriculture
  - Resource Conservation and Development--financial and technical assistance involving human and natural resources;
  - Agricultural Conservation Program--provides cost sharing assistance to individual landowners for application of conservation practices; and
  - c. Loans and Advances--provide loans and advances to sponsoring organizations.

U.S. Department of Interior

- a. Pitman-Robertson Funds--provide for wildlife research and financial and technical assistance in developing wildlife habitat areas. Administered by the state; and
- b. Dingell-Johnson Funds--provide for fishery research and financial and technical assistance in developing fishery habitat areas. Administered by the state.

Technical assistance including educational and onsite assistance of these programs is available from:

### INSTITUTIONAL ARRANGEMENT--cont'd

- a. Starke County Soil and Water Conservation District
- b. Cooperative Extension Service
- c. Indiana Department of Natural Resources
- d. USDA including Soil Conservation Service and Forest Service
- e. USDI, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service

### EFFECTS

The implementation of the Environmental Quality Plan will provide increased variety of scenery throughout the watershed and will improve land use patterns.

Establishing a corridor of grasses and shrubs within the permanent easement area will enhance the beauty of the streams and provide upland wildlife habitat. Public access to the easement area will add areas for hiking, nature walking trails, and bird watching. The proper management of the seasonal flooding areas of the watershed will increase the waterfowl populations of the area. Hunting will be expected to increase with the increased waterfowl populations.

The establishment and maintenance of a community park along State Highway 35 will provide picnic, playground, and playfield facilities. A conservation education program for the benefit of schools and the general public can be provided by establishing an outdoor educational laboratory.

The installation of the land treatment measures will reduce soil loss on 8,880 acres of cropland susceptible to wind and sheet erosion. This reduction will reduce sediment and agricultural pollutants carried by sediment which now enter watercourses.

Implementation of land use compatible with the soils capability can reduce erosion and sedimentation in the same manner as land treatment. Converting cropland to grassland and woodland will result in less intensive land use on the soils with drought limitations.

Restricting residential development, to areas where sanitary sewers are available or on soils with slight limitations for septic tank absorption fields, will prevent future waste disposal problems.

### EFFECTS--cont'd

The installation of the forest land, upland, wildlife habitat, seasonal waterfowl area, and the 50-foot strip on each side of the stream will increase desirable habitat for fish and wildlife considerably over the existing conditions.

The nature of the habitat (upland, wetland, forest land) will be compatible with many species of plants and animals that are now scarce or nonexistent in the watershed.

	BAILEY-CUX-	NEWISON WAIERSHED	
S	ELECTED PLANNATIONAL	ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT ACCOUNT	
		Dollars	
Components	Measures of Effects Average Annual	Components	Measures of Effects Average Annual
Beneficial Effects		Adverse Effects	
<ul> <li>A. The value to users of increased outputs of goods and services.</li> </ul>		<ul> <li>A. The value of resources required for a plan.</li> </ul>	
<ol> <li>Flood prevention</li> <li>Drainage</li> </ol>	60,160 46,870	<ol> <li>Channel work</li> <li>Project installation*</li> <li>Project administration*</li> <li>OM&amp;R</li> </ol>	58,610 8,820 20,420
TOTAL BENEFICIAL EFFECTS	107,030	TOTAL ADVERSE EFFECTS	87,850
		NET BENEFICIAL EFFECTS	19,180
*Amortized at 6 1/8 percen	t interest for 100 yea	rs.	
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ADDENDUM PART III

III. SELECTED PLAN--ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACCOUNT

### COMPONENTS

Beneficial and Adverse Effects:

- A. Areas of Natural Beauty
  - Destroy 33 acres of woody wildlife habitat as a result of channel work.
  - Planting 130 acres of grasses, legumes, trees, and shrubs on the slopes and berms.
  - 3. Preserve four known archaeological and historical sites.
  - 4. Afford management to 125 acres of forest land.
  - 5. Protect 70 acres of existing woody material within the permanent easement.
  - 6. Establish a maintenance program for channels and streambanks.
  - 7. Provide livestock exclusion along the channel rights-of-way.
- B. Quality Considerations of Water, Land, and Air Resources
  - 1. Increase noise, air, and water pollution during construction.
  - 2. Protect 7,490 acres of droughty soils.
  - 3. Provide soil erosion control on minor sheet and major wind erosion areas.
  - 4. Provide joint flooding and drainage relief on nearly 2,317 acres, flooding relief on 2,810 acres, and drainage relief on 4,183 acres.
  - 5. Provide livestock exclusion along the channel rights-of-way.
- C. Biological Resources and Selected Ecosystems
  - Destroy 33 acres fish and wildlife habitat as a result of channel work.
  - 2. Loss of spring waterfowl resting grounds.
  - 3. Planting of 130 acres of grasses, legumes, trees, and shrubs on slopes and berms.

III. SELECTED PLAN--ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACCOUNT

### COMPONENTS--cont'd

- 4. Afford management to 125 acres of forest land.
- 5. Protect 70 acres of existing woody material within the permanent easement.
- 6. Provide livestock exclusion along the channel rights-of-way.
- D. Irreversible and Irretrievable

The total permanent easement consists of 240 acres. Approximately 149 acres of the permanent easement will be altered during channel improvement. The remainder of the permanent easement will be preserved in its natural state. Before and after land usage within that portion of the permanent easement being altered is as follows: (Bailey, Cox, and Newtson Ditches)

Land Use	Present (ac.)	<u>Future (ac.)</u>
Cropland	39	
Forest land	0	
Grassland	10	
Other land	100	149

These conversions are to be committed for the project life.

		Dollars			
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Income Beneficial Effects		I n Adv	come verse Effects		
<ul> <li>A. The value of increased output of goods and services to users residing in the region.</li> </ul>		А.	The value of resources contributed from within the region to achieve the outputs.		
<ol> <li>Flood prevention</li> <li>Drainage</li> <li>Secondary</li> </ol>	60,160 46,870 49,220		<ol> <li>Channel work</li> <li>Project installation*</li> <li>Project administratio</li> <li>OM&amp;R</li> </ol>	26,020 n* 1,150 20,420	32,590 7,670
TOTAL BENEFICIAL EFFECTS	156,250		TOTAL ADVERSE EFFECTS	47,590	40,260
			NET BENEFICIAL EFFECTS	108,660	-40,260
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III. SELECTED PLAN--REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT ACCOUNT
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COMPONENTS		MEASURES OF EFFECTS	REST OF NATION	
Β.	Employment	1.	During the period of construction, approxi- mately 33 man-years of labor will be required for the installation.	
		2.	During the life of the project, about 0.5 man- years will be required annually for the opera- tion and maintenance for structural and associated land treat- ment measures.	
C.	Regional Economic Base & Stability		The average net income increase will be approxi- mately \$1,340 annually.	

# III. SELECTED PLAN--SOCIAL WELL-BEING ACCOUNT

#### COMPONENTS

# MEASURES OF EFFECTS

Real income distribution 1. Create regional income benefit distribution of \$156,250 by income class as follows:

Income Class (\$)	Adjusted Gross Income in Class (%)	Benefits <u>in Class</u> (%)
Less than \$5,00	0 27	10
\$5,000 to \$10,0	00 33	55
More than \$10,0	00 40	35

2. Local costs to be borne annually by region total \$47,590 with distribution by income class as follows:

Income Class (\$)	Adjusted ( Income in ( (%)	Gross Con <u>Class i</u>	tinuation n Class (%)
Less than \$5,000	27		10
\$5,000 to \$10,000	33		55
More than \$10,000	40		35

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BAILEY-COX-NEWTSON WATERSHED

Starke County, Indiana

# FINAL ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT

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Bailey-Cox-Newtson Watershed Project

Starke County, Indiana

Prepared in accordance with Sec. 102(2)(C) of PL 91-190

# SUMMARY SHEET

- I. Final
- II. Soil Conservation Service
- III. Administrative

# IV. Description of Action

A project for watershed protection, flood prevention, and drainage in Starke County, Indiana, to be implemented under authority of the Watershed Protection and Flood Prevention Act (Public Law 566, 83d Congress, 68 Stat. 666), as amended.

Channel work includes 7.2 miles of selective clearing and debris removal from the stream channel and streambank, 17.8 miles of excavation that will alter the present channel, and 1.2 miles of new channel construction. (The channels are classified as manmade intermittent.) Fourteen structures for water control will be installed to provide control of groundwater level. A pumping station and associated 6,900 lineal feet of dike will be installed at the Kankakee River. A 14-acre area for spawning is provided for mitigation. Conservation land treatment measures will be installed on 8,250 acres to adequately treat the land for use within its capabilities.

# V. Summary of Environmental Impacts

Conservation practices will be installed to adequately treat an additional 8,250 acres bringing the total number of acres adequately treated to 10,350 or 86 percent of the watershed. The conservation practices to be installed will provide soil erosion control on minor sheet erosion areas and major wind erosion areas. The project will provide joint flooding and drainage relief on 2,317 acres, backwater and flooding relief on 2,810 acres, and drainage relief on 4,183 acres. Known archaeological and historical sites will be preserved. Livestock exclusion will be provided along the channel rights-of-way. Upland wildlife habitat will be improved by vegetative land treatment measures. Proper woodland management will be afforded on 125 acres of forest land within the watershed. Undisturbed woody habitat and idle land within the easement area on the unconstructed side of the channel will be protected. Legumes and grasses will be planted on the slopes and berms on the constructed side for erosion control and wildlife habitat.

Northern pike spawning will be reduced by restricting the migration of the adults by the pump station, destroying vegetation on the banks and channel bottom, and fluctuation of the water level on the vegetation used for spawning. A 14-acre area designed for spawning will be constructed between the Kankakee River and the dike. The waterfowl resting grounds in the watershed will be damaged by removing surface water during the spring waterfowl migration period. The pump station will be constructed to permit 44 acres to flood from the time fall harvest is completed until spring pumping is started.

Minimal damage will result to the unconstructed side of the channel during the installation of surface field ditches, grassed waterways, and grade stabilization structures by individual landowners after the project is completed. Noise, air, and water pollution (turbidity) will be increased and local traffic patterns will be temporarily disrupted during construction.

#### VI. List of Alternatives Considered

(1) Accelerated land treatment only; (2) Channel excavation (enlargement including deepening where necessary), 1.2 miles of new channel construction, pump station at the watershed outlet, dike construction, structures for water control, and 2,600-acre irrigation system along with accelerated land treatment; (3) Channel excavation (enlargement including deepening where necessary), 1.2 miles of new channel construction, pump station at the watershed outlet, and dike construction and structures for water control along with accelerated land treatment; (4) Minor channel work (debris and flow impeding brush removal), pump station at the watershed outlet, and dike construction along with accelerated land treatment; (5) No PL-566 project--no local action; (6) Dike construction, lateral water collection trenches, pump stations, and accelerated land treatment; and (7) Channel excavation, selective clearing, dike construction, pumping station, structures for water control, waterfowl area, fish spawning area, and accelerated land treatment.

VII. <u>Agencies from which written comments were received for</u> the draft statement:

Department of the Army Department of Health Education and Welfare Department of Transportation Environmental Protection Agency Upper Mississippi River Basin Commission Indiana Department of Natural Resources (For Governor) Indiana State Clearinghouse Indiana State Board of Health Kankakee-Iroquois Regional Planning Commission

VIII. The draft statement was transmitted to CEQ on February 24, 1976.

#### USDA SOIL CONSERVATION SERVICE

#### FINAL ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT\* for Bailey-Cox-Newtson Watershed, Starke County, Indiana

#### AUTHORITY

Installation of this project constitutes an administrative action. Federal assistance will be provided under authority of Public Law 83-566, 83d Congress, 68 Stat. 666, as amended.

#### SPONSORING LOCAL ORGANIZATIONS

Starke County Soil and Water Conservation District (SWCD) and Bailey-Cox-Newtson Conservancy District (Conservancy District).

#### PROJECT PURPOSES AND GOALS

#### Watershed protection (conservation land treatment)

The SWCD will encourage landowners and operators to install vegetative treatment and adopt improved farming methods for erosion control and water management. Their goal is to have at least 10,350 acres (86 percent) of the total watershed adequately treated at the end of the installation period. One effect of adequate treatment will be to reduce sedimentation in stream channels. Also, soil loss will be reduced on cropland that is subject to wind erosion. These effects will provide lower maintenance costs for planned structural measures.

#### Flood prevention

The objective of the landowners along the major channels is to reduce the backwater and headwater flooding to acceptable levels consistent with present cropland or about a three-year level of protection.

#### Drainage

Another goal of the sponsors is to provide safe and timely removal of excess water from approximately 6,500 acres. Subsurface water removal is desirable as a part of the project works of improvement. Removal of excess water within a 24-hour period is the general goal of the sponsors.

<sup>\*</sup>All information and data, except when otherwise noted by reference to source, were collected during watershed planning activities by the Soil Conservation Service and Forest Service, U.S. Department of Agriculture.

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Another objective of the sponsors is to relieve the droughtiness during portions of the growing season. Approximately 7,700 acres of cropland are subject to droughty conditions.

#### PLANNED PROJECT

#### Land treatment

An accelerated land treatment program will be installed in the watershed.

The land treatment measures to be installed during the five-year project installation period include conservation practices on 7,820 acres of cropland, 130 acres of pastureland, 125 acres of forest land, and 175 acres of other land. Adequate treatment will be achieved on 10,350 acres covering 86 percent of the total watershed at the end of the installation period.

Conservation practices to be applied on cropland include conservation cropping system, crop residue use, drainage mains or laterals, drainage field ditches, grade stabilization structures, minimum tillage, subsurface drains, and stripcropping.\* A combination of two or more practices is often needed to achieve adequate treatment of land. The Soil Conservation Service Technical Guide will be used in planning alternatives for adequate land treatment.

Pastureland treatment measures to be installed include pasture and hayland planting and pasture and hayland management.

Forest land treatment measures to be installed are tree planting on open lands where necessary to control erosion and adjust land use to land capability throughout the watershed. Adapted species for planting will be recommended by the Indiana Department of Natural Resources (IDNR) in cooperation with the U.S. Forest Service. Hydrologic conditions will be improved by manipulation of stand composition, protection from grazing, and implementing management plans. The multiple-use forest land treatment program was cooperatively developed by IDNR, Division of Forestry and the U.S. Forest Service.

There are 107 farms in the watershed. Twenty-eight landowners and operators (26 percent) have voluntarily signed cooperative agreements with the SWCD. The SWCD plans to emphasize getting voluntary agreements signed by all landowners and/or operators in the watershed.

The sponsors estimate that 64 additional landowners or operators will become district cooperators with the SWCD and develop conservation plans during the project installation period.

\*See Exhibit 1 for definition of practices.

At present, 5,240 acres of the watershed have been soil mapped. Plans are to map an additional 6,830 acres during the installation period.

The Soil Conservation Service (Service) will provide the needed technical assistance to the SWCD for soil surveys, conservation planning and application of conservation practices.

#### Structural measures

The structural measures consist of approximately 19.0 miles of channel excavation. Also included are 7.2 miles of selective clearing. These measures will require modifications to eleven culverts and bridges.

The work includes 6,900 lineal feet of dike and a pump station near the downstream end of the watershed. Also provided are 14 structures for water control in the middle portion of the watershed and a 14-acre area west of the dike (south of Bailey Ditch) that includes 4,000 lineal feet of spawning ditches. (See Project Map, Appendix B.)

The National Park Service and State Historic Preservation Officer will be notified if any previously unidentified evidence of cultural values is discovered during detailed investigations or construction, and the procedures in PL 93-291 will be followed.

Since this is a federally assisted local project, there will be no change in the existing responsibilities of any federal agency under Executive Order 11593 with respect to archaeological and historical resources.

## Channels

The channel work consists of enlargement and, where necessary, minor realignment. Construction on Bailey Ditch starts at its confluence with the Kankakee River and extends upstream to a point near the center of Section 1, T.33N., R.2W. This point is also located about 1,300 feet east of the intersection of county road 250 North and the Penn. Central railroad tracks.

Work on the Cox Ditch starts at its confluence with Bailey Ditch. From this point to county road 100 East, the work is limited to selective clearing. Starting at county road 100 East and continuing upstream to a point where the ditch crosses county road 300 East, channel excavation (enlargement) is planned. Starting at the point where the ditch crosses county road 300 East and extending upstream to county road 500 East, the work is again limited to selective clearing. Channel excavation starts again at county road 500 East and extends upstream to county road 700 East as shown on the project map, Appendix B. Lateral #1 to Cox Ditch includes 1.7 miles of channel excavation. This work starts at a point on the Cox Ditch located 600 feet west of county road 600 East and continues upstream first 0.4 mile north then generally east and south to a point near the SE corner of Section 6, T.33N., R.IW. About 0.4 mile of new channel will be constructed on Cox Ditch, Lateral #1 to avoid a large woods in the SW 1/4 of Section 6, T.33N., R.IW. Lateral #2 to the Cox Ditch includes 2.1 miles of channel excavation. This work starts near the NE corner of the NW 1/4 of Section 12, T.33N., R.2W. and proceeds generally south and east to a point where the ditch reaches county road 700 East.

Channel work on the Newtson Ditch starts at its confluence with Bailey Ditch in the NE 1/4 of Section 1, T.33N., R3W. and extends upstream 5.7 miles to State Highway 35 near the NE corner of the SE 1/4 SE 1/4 of Section 10, T.33N., R.2W. Channel excavation will be conducted from the starting point to county road 100 East, a distance of 2.0 miles. The remainder of the work, 3.7 miles, will be selective clearing.

Channel excavation will deepen the existing channel for drainage and also widen it where additional capacity is required. Channel work is planned to follow existing alignment except as indicated. Excavation will be done from one side to reduce damage to wildlife habitat (Appendix D, Exhibit 3). Significant trees will be left standing on the constructed side, if at all practicable, during construction. All flow impeding brush and unstable or fallen trees will be removed from both banks. Removal will be carried out from the side designated for spoil. Armor plating (gravel blanket) will be used to protect unstable soils on all sharp curves. A l2-foot maintenance travelway or berm will be constructed on the side designated for spoil. A strip 15-feet from the top of the channel bank will be maintained as a vegetated buffer strip on the unconstructed side to protect the channel from farming operations and also serve as a travel lane for wildlife.

Modifications will be necessary to ll culverts and bridges as required by design channel capacity and excavation. Modifications include lowering, replacing, or installing culverts, and replacing a bridge with a culvert.

Thirty-nine acres of woody vegetation will be planted along the channel (see Exhibit 4) and a 25-foot strip along the water side of the dike.

Fences will be installed to protect vegetative cover where there is a potential for livestock use of the area adjacent to the channel. Vegetative control markers will be used to delineate the boundaries of wildlife habitat plantings where needed to prevent encroachment of wildlife areas. Appurtenances are planned for all channels to safely lower surface water into channels. All existing subsurface drain outlets disturbed by construction will be replaced.

The 7.2 miles of selective clearing involves the removal of flow impeding brush, unstable or fallen trees, and sediment bars. Permanent easements in the channel excavation reaches extend 15 feet from the top of the bank on the unconstructed side to the crest of the spoil typically 25 feet beyond the top of the bank on the constructed side. Sections where construction is performed on both sides (new cuts in cropland), the permanent easement will extend from spoil crest typically 64 feet. Care will be exercised to minimize damage to wildlife habitat. An interdisciplinary team will be consulted when the scope of the removal has been determined prior to construction operations. This team will be comprised of representatives from the IDNR, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, landowners and sponsors, and a representative of the Service.

Permanent easements in the selective clearing reaches extend 15 feet from the top of each bank. Right-of-entry extends an additional 60 feet beyond the permanent easement.

Every effort will be made to minimize the amount of construction sediment. Sediment traps will be installed at a rate of one per mile or more often if needed. Cleared material will be buried or disposed of by other acceptable means.

Land rights will consist of approximately 240 acres of permanent easements, approximately 350 acres of temporary easements, and 110 acres of right-of-entry. The temporary easement and rightof-entry areas are in mostly cropland. All areas will not be available to the public without the permission of the landowner.

Woody vegetation will be established and maintained within the permanent easement area to mitigate habitat destroyed by the structural improvements. Tree and shrub seedlings will be planted in a strip about 10 feet wide on the spoil area within the permanent easement. The vegetated buffer strip on the unconstructed side of the channel within the permanent easement includes existing woody material that can be utilized for wildlife habitat. Approximately 80.2 acres of grasses and legumes will be seeded on the disturbed areas within the permanent easement in the main channel.

Four sites of archaeological significance have been identified within the permanent easement area. These sites will be protected during construction. Construction will be done from the opposite side; the sites will not be leveled; and equipment traffic will be routed around these small knolls.

Condensed profiles of the planned channel work are attached as Appendix D, Exhibit 5A.

# <u>Dike</u>

A continuous dike will be constructed along the Kankakee River commencing at a point approximately 660 feet west of the SE corner of Section 2, T.33N., R.3W. The dike will proceed west along the south boundary of Section 2 about 1,600 feet, thence angles northwesterly to a point on the Bailey Ditch located 500 feet upstream of the Kankakee River. The dike then angles northeast to a point 700 feet southeast of the Kankakee River, Norfolk and Western Railroad bridge, as measured along the Norfolk and Western Railroad tracks. Approximately 6,900 lineal feet of dike is planned.

Dike design elevations were based upon stage-frequency data developed during the Kankakee River Basin Study, which determined the 25-year frequency elevation of 673.1 MSL at the mouth of Bailey Ditch. The dike will be constructed to elevation 676.4 MSL using requirements for a class II dike. This will provide a 25-year level of protection under present conditions with allowances for wave action and freeboard. The dike will have a 10-foot top width with a 3:1 slope on the water side and a 2.5:1 slope on the land side. The dike will be constructed with material taken from the land side of the dike so as to form a seepage collection ditch. (See Appendix D, Exhibit 5C.) Additional borrow will be taken from the spawning area. A 25-foot strip of wildlife plantings will be established 10 feet from the toe of the slope on the water side of the dike to provide wildlife habitat and to dissipate wave action. The dike will be seeded to approved varieties of grasses to control erosion. No woody vegetation will be allowed on the dike.

# Structures for water control

Fourteen (14) structures for water control are planned on the Bailey Ditch, Cox Ditch, and Newtson Ditch commencing from a point approximately two miles downstream from U.S. Highway 35 to the upper end of the watershed. Eight of the structures are corrugated metal in conjunction with road culverts. The location of the structures are shown on the project map. Details of the structures are shown on Exhibit 5B-1 and 5B-2. The inlet and outlet sections of these structures will be protected from erosion with riprap.

The structure locations on the Project Map are preliminary; and as more data becomes available, locations will be adjusted.

## Pumps and pumping station

The pumping station will be located approximately 500 feet upstream of the Bailey junction with the Kankakee River. The pumping station will be of reinforced concrete construction with a provision for gravity flow when the Kankakee is at a low stage. The pump system selected by the Conservancy District is one 20-inch and three 36-inch electric pumps. This system gives a net pumping rate of 0.28 inches per 24 hours.

The pump station will be equipped with drainage gates at elevation 666.0 MSL and 668.0 MSL to enable seasonal flooding of 44 acres after fall harvest and before the pumps are needed in the spring.

#### Spawning Area

A 14-acre spawning area for northern pike will be constructed between the dike and the Kankakee River adjacent to the Bailey Ditch. This will consist of 4,000 lineal feet of spawning ditches. (See Appendix D, Exhibit 5D-1.)

A low level dike will be constructed along the south side of the spawning area, using the requirements of a class III dike. This dike will provide water with little or no current in the spawning area during minor flooding yet allow the passage of floods that are greater than the annual event. (See Appendix D, Exhibit 5D-2.)

Operation, maintenance, and replacement

#### Land treatment measures

The land treatment measures will be operated and maintained by the owners and operators of farms under agreement with the SWCD. Technical assistance will be provided by the Service.

Forest land treatment measures will be maintained by the landowners and operators with technical assistance furnished by IDNR, Division of Forestry, in cooperation with the U.S. Forest Service under the Cooperative Forest Management Program.

#### Structural measures

Operation and maintenance costs include all necessary expenditures after installation to realize the estimated benefits during the 100-year project evaluation period.

The Conservancy District will assume responsibility for operation and maintenance of all measures including mitigation measures for fish and wildlife. The operation and maintenance work will consist of such items as spraying or controlling of excessive vegetative growth within the channel and on channel side slopes; removing debris and/or excavation of shoal deposits as required to reduce accelerated bank erosion; maintaining channel capacity; repairing of critical areas by seeding, sodding or placement of riprap; and protection of project mitigation features within the permanent easement areas. Operating agreements will include provisions as indicated in the revegetation plan. Operation and maintenance will be conducted in a manner to minimize adverse environmental effects. State and federal agency restrictions on pesticides will be recognized when providing maintenance on project rights-of-way.

Operation agreements will also include details of the Conservancy District's operating procedures of the pump station and the structures for water control.

The Conservancy District has the authority to finance this work by either taxation or special assessment. The Conservancy District shall budget annually the necessary funds to meet the probable expenses of operation and maintenance.

The total estimated annual operation, maintenance, and replacement cost is \$20,420.

A period of time is prescribed to provide for the establishment of adequate vegetative cover for measures. This "establishment period" applies only to vegetation installed as a structural measure.

The establishment period terminates when the Service notifies the Conservancy District that adequate vegetative cover is established or after two growing seasons have elapsed after the initial installation of vegetative measure. During the establishment period for vegetative measures, the Service may approve PL-566 cost-sharing for additional work required to obtain an adequate vegetative cover.

A Service representative will make a joint inspection with the sponsors annually, after severe floods, and after the occurrence of any unusual conditions that might adversely affect the structural measures. These joint inspections will continue for three years following the acceptance of the works of improvement for operation and maintenance by the local sponsors. Inspections after the third year will be made annually by the sponsors. A report will be prepared of any such inspections, and the Service representative will receive a copy. The IDNR will be invited to participate in any scheduled inspections. A record of each inspection will be kept in the sponsor's file and will be available for authorized review.

Specific operation and maintenance agreements and plans will be executed between the sponsors and the Service prior to signing land rights, relocation, or project agreements. These agreements will use as a basis the Soil Conservation Service, State of Indiana, Watersheds Operation and Maintenance Handbook. These agreements will contain, in addition to specific sponsor responsibilities for nonstructural and structural measures, specific provisions for retention and disposal of property acquired or improved with PL-566 financial assistance.

# <u>Channels</u>

Sediment and other debris will be removed periodically from the channels. It is anticipated that a dragline or large backhoe will be contracted about once every three years to perform maintenance which has been identified by regular inspections. Other items requiring maintenance and/or replacement are fences, vegetative markers, vegetation (including trees and shrubs), and drainage appurtenances. The estimated average annual operation, maintenance, and replacement cost for the channels is \$3,430.

# Dike

The dike will be patrolled periodically and especially after severe storms. Any weakness will be repaired immediately. Trees and brushy growth will not be permitted to remain on the dike. Where rodent damage is a problem, measures will be taken to discourage them from burrowing into the dike.

During periods of high flood, the elevation of the water in the interior ditch will be maintained as high as possible to reduce the possibility of dike failure.

The estimated average annual operation, maintenance, and replacement cost for the dike is \$1,760.

#### Pumps and pumping station

The pumps will be designed to operate automatically and, therefore, will require a minimum of attention. However, frequent visits will be necessary to insure proper operation. Maintenance will be in accordance with manufacturer's recommendations.

The replacement schedule is as follows: pumps--16 years, electric motors--25 years, trash racks and gates--25 years, concrete structure--50 years.

The periods of pump operation are shown below:

Period	Dates	Pumps	<u>Gravity Gates</u>
]	Jan. 1 to March 15	Off	Open
2	March 15 to June 15	On	Open & Closed
3	June 15 to Sept. 15	Off	Open
4	Sept. 15 to Dec. 1	On	Open & Closed
5	Dec. 1 to Dec. 31	Off	Open

The gravity gates may be open when the pumps are not in operation. The pumps will be operated when the elevation of the Kankakee River impairs drainage within the Bailey Ditch system. The pumps will operate annually 15 percent of the time. The estimated operation, maintenance, and replacement cost is \$11,030.

### Structures for water control

The structures will be operated to prevent excessive subsurface drainage in areas adjacent to the channel where deepening is required. These structures will provide control of the subsurface water level on cropland soils having a high permeability rate. This control will maintain the ground water level for increased crop utilization of available moisture during the summer periods of low rainfall.

The structures will be operational during the period of June 15 to August 15. Control boards will be installed in the spring and removed in the fall. The boards will be stored in the pump shelter. The estimated annual operation, maintenance, and replacement cost is \$3,200.

#### Spawning area

Natural wetland vegetation will be allowed to develop in the spawning area. Selective shearing of woody vegetation will be necessary to maintain herbaceous cover. It is estimated shearing will be necessary once every five years.

The replacement schedule of the spawning area is 20 years.

The estimated average annual operation, maintenance, and replacement cost is \$1,000.

#### Winter waterfowl area

The pump station will be constructed to permit 44 acres to flood after fall harvest and until the pumps are needed in the spring. This will be done by closing the lower drainage gates (Elev. 660.0 MSL), opening the higher drainage gates (Elev. 668.0 MSL), and disconnecting the pumps. See <u>Pumps and pumping station</u> for maintenance and replacement schedule.

The cost of operation, maintenance, and replacement of the gates is included under Pumps and pumping station.

#### Project costs

A summary of the estimated installation costs is shown on the following table:

	<u>PL-566</u>	<u>Other</u>	Total
Total Construction Cost	\$468,720	\$156,240	\$624,960
Total Project Installatio	on 675,450	795,110	1,470,560

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#### ENVIRONMENTAL SETTING

#### Physical resources

The Bailey-Cox-Newtson Watershed is in northwestern Indiana in Starke County. It drains approximately 12,070 acres or 18.86 square miles. Knox, the county seat, is about 2 miles south of the watershed boundary. The only town within the watershed is Brems--unincorporated. Relative locations of some important cities follow: Chicago, Illinois, 58 miles northwest; Detroit, Michigan, 200 miles northeast; South Bend, Indiana, 32 miles north-northeast; Fort Wayne, Indiana, 88 miles east-southeast; and Indianapolis, Indiana, 110 miles south-southeast.

The population of Starke County is 19,280 of which 3,519 is urban and 15,761 is rural.\* Population within the watershed is approximately 700.

This watershed is part of the Upper Mississippi Region and the Upper Illinois Subregion. It is also part of the Kankakee River Basin and is within National Land Resource Area 98, the Southern Michigan Drift Plain.\*\*

Land use and problems of this watershed are similar to other watersheds in the Kankakee River Basin. Only two watersheds in the subregion are being developed. The subject watershed is in active planning status. Salt Creek Watershed in Illinois is in operational status.

Flooding, impaired drainage outlets, and droughty soils are the major problems in the watershed. Approximately 9,310 acres are affected by floodwater and drainage problems. Of this acreage, about 362 average annual acres are flooded by backwater from the Kankakee River; and about 2,483 average annual acres are flooded by overbank water from the ditches. About 7,700 acres in the watershed have potential for groundwater control systems. Water erosion is not a major problem in the watershed. However, in about 75 percent of the watershed, the hazard of wind erosion is severe if the soils are not well protected.

The predominately coarse textured soils of the watershed are droughty during extended periods of low rainfall. In cultivated areas, wind erosion occurs when the soils are dry and a protective plant cover has not become established. Wind-blown soil particles cause damage through their abrasive effect on young crops and through deposition

<sup>\*</sup>The 1970 Census of Population, U.S. Dept. of Commerce, Bureau of the Census.

<sup>\*\*&</sup>lt;u>Atlas of River Basins of the United States</u>, U.S. Dept. of Agriculture, Soil Conservation Service, 1970.

in roadside and drainage ditches. The most serious damage from wind erosion is the separation and removal of clay, silt, and organic matter from the soil surface. Relatively infertile sandy material is left behind. Areas in which wind erosion is most severe are mainly confined to the eastern two-thirds of the watershed, but the entire watershed area is somewhat affected by this type of soil erosion.

Flooding occurs along the Kankakee River and the lower reaches of the main drainage channels. The Kankakee River does not have a welldefined flood plain. Consequently, when the river overflows its banks, a considerable area is affected by the floodwaters. Most floodwater damage is concentrated in the western one-third of the watershed, roughly that area west of county road 300E. (See Project Map.)

The major drainage ditches have deteriorated to such a degree that in many places they provide inadequate outlets for field ditches and tile systems. Until recently there has been very little maintenance on any of the larger ditches since they were first constructed in the 1920's.

The soils in the watershed have been placed in three associations: the Maumee-Gilford association, the Morocco-Maumee-Brems association, and the Rensselaer-Milford association. (See Appendix D, Exhibit 6C.)

The watershed is within the Northern Lake and Moraine Region. This physiographic province is subdivided into several smaller units. One of these units, the Kankakee Outwash and Lacustrine Plain, is the subdivision in which this watershed is situated.\* This nearly flat outwash and lacustrine plain is broken by occasional sand dunes. Except for changes which have occurred through the development of agriculture, the area has undergone relatively little change since the Wisconsin glaciation.

The surficial geology of the watershed consists chiefly of Pleistocene unconsolidated deposits of glaciofluvial sand, gravel, and silt with some occurrences of eolian (wind-blown) sand and recent alluvium. The thickness of the glaciofluvial deposits ranges from 100 to 200 feet. During the latter part of the Wisonsin glacial period, the Lake Michigan ice lobe on the north and the Erie-Saginaw ice lobe on the east contributed tremendous amounts of outwash to the Kankakee Basin. As the glaciers retreated, much of the outwash was deposited by streams. The flatness of the area and the absence of a well-defined drainage pattern created an extensive marsh or lake over the entire western part of Starke County. While the lake was in existence, it received sediment from various streams. The coarser particles were

<sup>\*</sup>Wm. J. Wayne, Thickness of Drift and Bedrock Physiography of Indiana North of the Wisconsin Glacial Boundary, Indiana Dept. of Conservation, Geol. Surv., 1956.

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laid down as delta and channel deposits or were thrown up by wave action as beaches and islands or as sand bars along the shoreline. The finer particles were carried into the deeper, quieter waters and were deposited as layers of silt and clay.

As the lake filled with these sediments and drained away westward, some of the deposits were further sorted and reworked by the wind. The finer particles were blown away, and the coarser sandy material was piled high as sand dunes. At the extreme western end of the watershed, alluvium was deposited in broad areas by floodwaters from the Kankakee River directly over the old sand plain.

Devonian bedrock underlies the Pleistocene deposits. This bedrock consists of about 50 feet of Antrim Shale. Devonian and Silurian limestones underlie the shale and are continuous, as demonstrated by logs from oil test wells, at least to a depth of 700 feet.

The topography of the watershed is level to nearly level. The only relief occurs as scattered wooded ridges of dune sand trending southeast to northwest. Elevation ranges from about 670 MSL at the outlet of Bailey Ditch to 750 MSL at the extreme eastern end of the watershed.

Mean annual precipitation is 36 inches. The greater part of the total precipitation occurs in the spring and summer. Precipitation is lowest during the winter months. The total amount of rainfall for the driest year on record is 26 inches and for the wettest year, 46 inches.

The climate of Starke County is continental. It is somewhat modified by the proximity of Lake Michigan. Temperatures of  $0^{\circ}$  F and below seldom last for more than 2 to 5 days. Long periods of hot weather seldom occur though occasionally temperatures of  $95^{\circ}$  to  $100^{\circ}$  are reached for 2 to 4 days in summer. Mean annual temperature, as reported at LaPorte in nearby LaPorte County, is  $49^{\circ}$ . The maximum temperature recorded is  $108^{\circ}$ , occurring in July, and the minimum is  $-21^{\circ}$ , recorded in February. Average date of the last killing frost in spring is May 1 and of the first in fall, October 5. The growing season is 156 days.

Currently there are no mineral extraction operations within the watershed. However, a few sand and gravel pits were once operative in the surrounding area. There is potential for development of sand pits in the watershed. The sand ridges that are scattered throughout the watershed might be utilized as a source for building sand. This dune sand is relatively free of any silt or clay sized particles and can be classified as clean sand. Ground water is abundant within the watershed. The chief source of this water is the sandy outwash that comprises the Kankakee Aquifer. The water table is very close to the surface for the greater part of the year. Most domestic wells are relatively shallow, generally less than 50 feet deep. Except in an extremely droughty year, these wells provide adequate water for domestic needs. There are several deep wells within the watershed, some of which penetrate the local acquifer to a depth of 110 feet or more. Hardness of ground water, as measured in parts per million ranges from 100 to more than 300. Ground water increases in hardness from east to west through the watershed. The greater part of the watershed has ground water ranging from 100 to 200 in hardnesss. Adequate ground water is available from this acquifer and from the underlying porous limestones. The potential for ground water development is excellent. Yields to wells completed in sand and gravel may range from 250 to 750 gpm.

Bailey Ditch is an intermittent stream. It begins in the SE<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> of Section 1, T.33N., R.2W. From the source to U.S. 35, the channel has a top width of 12 to 30 feet, bottom width of  $3\frac{1}{2}$  to 10 feet, and depth of  $2\frac{1}{2}$ to 6 feet. Along much of this section, the channel banks have fairly heavy woody plant cover. Several small feeder ditches enter Bailey Ditch just east of county road 500E. Part of these smaller ditches have recently been reconstructed. From U.S. 35 to county road 300E, the channel has a top width of 25 to 50 feet, bottom width of 8 to 24 feet, and depth of  $4\frac{1}{2}$  to 7 feet. Local farmers have completed some recent reconstruction on the ditch from county road 300E to county road 50W. Along this section, top width ranges from 35 to 48 feet, bottom width from 13 to 20 feet, and depth from  $7\frac{1}{2}$  to 12 feet. West of county road 50W to the Kankakee River, Bailey Ditch has a top width of 42 to 50 feet, bottom width of 14 to 22 feet, and depth of 7 to 9 feet. Two lateral ditches with pumping stations enter Bailey Ditch just before the outlet into the Kankakee River. Total length of Bailey Ditch is 10.63 miles. Except for areas where recent reconstruction has been completed, most of the channel banks have vegetation consisting of fairly dense woody growth or heavy grass and herbaceous cover. In those reconstructed sections, the plant cover was removed from one side only.

Cox Ditch is an intermittent stream. It (lateral #1 on project map) begins near the intersection of county roads 700E and 200N. It flows due west for two-thirds of a mile then heads north and makes several other course changes from north to west through a wooded area. Along this wooded section, the channel is only  $2\frac{1}{2}$  to 4 feet deep and has a top width of 8 feet and a bottom width of only 3 feet. Many large trees are growing along the sides and in the bottom of the ditch. Once the channel leaves this wooded area, it flows through cropland for nearly the rest of its length. The direction of flow is predominately westward, although several course changes occur, from west to north to west, in the eastern and central parts of the watershed. Cox Ditch receives water from one small ditch in the extreme southeastern part of the watershed. This feeder ditch (lateral #2 on

project map) and a segment of Cox Ditch are currently being deepened and widened by local farmers. The area of this reconstruction is in Section 7, T.33N., R.1W. and Section 12, T.33N., R.2W. From the intersection of Cox Ditch and county road 200N to U.S. 35, the channel has a top width of 24 to 31 feet, bottom width of 11 to 16 feet, and depth of 5 to 8 feet. Along many sections of the channel in this area, there is a heavy growth of woody vegetation. From U.S. 35 to county road 100E, Cox Ditch has a top width of 25 to 39 feet, bottom width of 10 to 20 feet, and depth of 5 to 8 feet. There has been some recent channel reconstruction from county road 100E to the confluence of Cox Ditch and Bailey Ditch. Along this section of Cox Ditch, tcp width ranges from 34 to 40 feet, bottom width from 9 to 12 feet, and depth from 8 to  $8\frac{1}{2}$  feet. Much of the woody vegetation that is characteristic of the channel banks has been cleared from the north side of this reconstructed segment. **Reconstruction** was done from one side. Total length of Cox Ditch is 6.96 miles.

Newtson Ditch begins at U.S. 35 near the southern watershed boundary. It flows through cropland and is an intermittent stream for its entire length, about 5.8 miles. From U.S. 35 to county road 100E, the ditch has a top width of 27 to 49 feet, bottom width of 16 to 20 feet, and depth of 4 to 7 feet. From approximately 800 feet east of Range Road to its confluence with Bailey Ditch, new construction has recently been completed along Newtson Ditch. In this reconstructed section, top width ranges from 42 to 46 feet, bottom width from 12 to 22 feet, and depth from  $5\frac{1}{2}$  to  $8\frac{1}{2}$  feet. Newtson Ditch receives drainage from more feeder ditches than either Bailey or Cox Ditches. These feeder ditches are in Sections 6, 7, 8, 9, and 10 of T. 33N., R.2W. Most areas along the channel banks of Newtson Ditch have a dense cover of woody vegetation.

Ten small farm ponds are in the watershed. They range in size from one-tenth to three-fourths of an acre. A one-tenth acre pond is in the SE<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> of Section 6, T.33N. R.2W., near the New York, Chicago, and St. Louis Railroad. Another small pond about one-third acre in size is located on the east side of county road 325E in the SW4 of Section 3, T.33N., R2W. There is a one-half acre pond on the east side of county road 200E in the SW4 of Section 4, T.33N., R.2W. A three-fourths acre pond is in the NW4 of Section 6, T.33N., R.2W. and is near Newtson Ditch. Near the center of Section 31, T.34N., R.2W. is a small pond of about one-third acre which lies just south of Bailey Ditch. Another pond is in the NE<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> of Section 33, T.34N., R.2W. It is just inside the northern watershed boundary and is approximately one-half acre in size. Two one-half acre ponds are in Section 7, T.33N., R.2W. One is in the SE $\frac{1}{4}$ , and the other is in the NW $\frac{1}{4}$ . In the eastern part of the watershed, there are two one-half acre ponds. One is in the NE14 of Section 2, and the other is in the NE<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> of Section 11, T.33N., R.2W. All of these farm ponds are supplied by ground water and fluctuate with changes in the depth to the water table.

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Land use in the watershed is as follows: cropland 82 percent or 9,910 acres; pasture 3 percent or 390 acres; woodland 4 percent or 480 acres; and other land 11 percent or 1,290 acres.

Drainage is needed throughout the watershed except on the sand hills. Irrigation would be beneficial to the eastern two-thirds of the area. Establishing windbreaks will help control soil blowing which is a hazard on approximately 8,880 acres. Vegetative cover is needed in critical areas where blowouts have formed.

Three wetland areas are within the watershed boundaries. A two-acre type 2 wetland is located just south of the mouth of Bailey Ditch. A type 3 wetland about one-fourth acre in size is located in the NW $_{4}$ NE $_{4}$  of Section 31, T.34N., R.2W. and is south of county road 400N. One hundred twenty acres which are subject to annual flooding are classified as type 1 wetland. This area is near the mouth of the Bailey Ditch and is below elevation 671.0 MSL.

Quantity of base flow at the mouth of Bailey Ditch is 1.41 cfs. Water quality is generally good throughout the watershed. The United States Geological Survey, Water Resources Division in Indianapolis, initiated a water quality assessment of the watershed in early May 1975.\* On May 5 during a period of high spring base flow, the first of four seasonal samples was collected. Field water quality and stream flow measurements were made and samples collected for laboratory analysis for some or all of the following: common inorganic constituents, selected metals, nutrients, bacteria, insecticides, and certain fractions of the biological community. Further sampling was carried out on July 29, October 10, and November 25, 1975; and on January 23, March 5, and March 22, 1976. Water quality and analytical data are found in Appendix D, Exhibits 9A, 9B, 9C, and 9D.

Stream waters in the watershed are basically calcium bicarbonate types with slightly different levels of mineralization. Concentrations of dissolved iron in the watershed stream waters were below problemcausing levels, but dissolved manganese concentrations were equal to or above desired levels.

Temperature, pH, and dissolved oxygen content are typical of the time of year and existing flow conditions when sampling was conducted.

Nutrient concentrations, nitrate, phosphate, and organic carbon are typical for an agricultural watershed and should not be a problem with respect to public use. Nitrate concentrations are unusually low.

Fecal coliform and fecal streptococci bacteria concentrations in the watershed were very low, probably reflecting normal background levels.

<sup>\*</sup>A Water Quality Assessment of the Bailey-Cox-Newtson Watershed, Starke County, Indiana, USGS, Water Resources Division, Indianapolis, 1975 (Interim Report).

Insecticides present in bottom materials are typical of those found in an agricultural stream. The concentration of these insecticides is not high; however, it is an indication that persistent compounds have entered the waterways and thus have potential for accumulating in local biologic food chains. (See Appendix D, Exhibit 9C.)

Samples of the phytoplankton communities indicate a lack of organic enrichment. Phytoplankton communities were dominated by <u>Navicula</u> sp. and <u>Nitzchia</u> sp. at the sites sampled on May 5, while <u>Navicula</u> sp., <u>Nitzchia</u> sp., and <u>Oscillatoria</u> sp. were dominant on October 10. (See Appendix D, Exhibit 9D.)

#### Present and projected population

The 1970 census shows the population of Starke County as 19,280, a 7.6 percent increase above the 1960 population. The estimated population of the watershed is 700. It is estimated that the population of Starke County will double in the next fifty years. Estimation for the project area was not attempted. There are no minority residents in the watershed.

#### Economic resources

The watershed is agricultural, devoted to farming and associated uses. The agricultural area is under private ownership. Land in public ownership consists of public roads and 320 acres in the Starke County Airport.

Cash grain is the major farm enterprise. There are approximately 107 farms in the watershed. The average size farm is 120 acres with the average farming unit being about 135 acres.

Corn is the major crop grown, comprising 54 percent of the cropland. Soybeans comprise 27 percent of the cropland. The average yield is 95 bushels per acre for corn and 30 for beans.

Land values vary in the watershed. The average value of upland is \$750 per acre, flood plain land is \$500 per acre, and other problem areas are \$400 per acre.

The Penn Central and the New York, Chicago, and St. Louis Railroads furnish rail transportation for the farm products. State Highways 8 and 39 and U.S. Highway 35 provide highway transportation and easy access to markets and service to the area. A good system of bituminous and all-weather gravel roads furnish easy access to these traffic arteries.

Unemployment is not a problem in the watershed. Approximately five percent of the farms use hired help or seasonal, part-time help. Offfarm employment is an important contributor to the disposable income of the area. Approximately 35 percent of the farmers are employed off --Environmental Setting--

the farm 100 days or more per year. The median income of the rural farm population for Starke County, which is representative of the watershed, in 1970 was \$8,322.\*

The watershed is located in the Kankakee River Basin study area and in the Arrowhead Resource Conservation and Development (RC&D) project area.

#### Plant and animal resources

In the late 1800's as the agricultural possibilities of the area became evident, small drains were built in the higher lands. These drains discharged their collected water into the broad flat plains below. The ditching work continued toward the river as the need for better outlets grew. A vast network of lateral drains now cover the entire former "Grand Marsh." Most of the swamps have been drained as a result of the need for additional agricultural producing land. Populations of plant and animal species depending on the wetland habitat have been greatly reduced.\*\*

The watershed contains approximately 82 percent cropland, 4 percent woodland, 3 percent pasture and hayland, and 11 percent other land. Other land includes roads, farmsteads, towns, lanes, fence rows, channels, wildlife areas, etc.

Ninety-three percent of the cropland acreage is in row crop production, 6 percent in production of small grains, and 1 percent in related meadow. Winter wheat is the predominant small grain. The greatest percentage of cropland is in the western portion of the watershed with less cropland to the east due to the droughty soil types.

A large portion of the pasture and hayland is located east of U.S. Highway 35 where droughty soil types are found. The remaining pasture and hayland is evenly distributed throughout the watershed west of U.S. Highway 35.

The forest land is all privately owned in small, farm based ownerships and located on upland sites.\*\*\* The forest land is predominantly hardwood with oak-hickory the major forest type. (See Appendix D, Exhibit 8C, for specific species in the watershed.) Stands are generally well stocked and are well distributed throughout the watershed. The stand size class is as follows: sawtimber--60 percent, poletimber--10 percent, and seedling and sapling size stands--30 percent.\*\*\*

\*General, Social and Economic Characteristics, Table 137, U.S. Dept. of Commerce, 1970.

\*\*Kankakee River Basin Main Report, Chapters III, IV, and V, February 1974--Draft.

\*\*\*Forestland Plan Preliminary Investigation Report, Bailey-Cox-Newtson P.L. 566 Watershed, Starke County, Indiana, USDA Forest Service, November 1968. Marketing of forest products is provided by a good federal, state, and county road system.\*

The wildlife habitat value in the watershed is low because of the small amount of woodland. The dominate row-crop monoculture in this watershed reduces the carrying capacity of the area for total numbers of wildlife and the diversity of species.\*\* The brushy and occasionally woody "edge" of the basin's waterways represent an important part of the available wildlife cover. These borders often represent the key wildlife habitat in many large acreages of land. The greatest numbers of wildlife are found in areas where different types of habitat merge. Diversity of habitat provides both food and cover that wildlife need to survive.

Fox population is good everywhere in the watershed except along the Kankakee River. Fox do well in brushy areas next to open fields. Muskrat population is fair throughout the watershed. Since few marshes now exist, muskrats are found mainly along ditches. The best ditches are those with structures for holding water and having vegetated banks. Waterfowl and shore bird populations are excellent in the lower and extreme upper reaches of Bailey Ditch with the remaining watershed being fair. A five-year study made by IDNR between 1966 and 1970 of the waterfowl species found in the northwestern quarter of Indiana and the percentages of each species found of the total are as follows:\*\*\*

Species	Percent
Mallard Black duck	65
Black duck	
Blue-winged teal	ס
Green-winged teal	2
Miscellaneous dabblers	3
Divers	3
Canada goose	6
Blue and Snow goose	2

Raccoon and pheasant populations are good throughout the watershed. Deer population is excellent in the lower reaches and good in the upper reaches. Many of the trees along the channels provide excellent denning and nesting habitat for squirrel and wood ducks. Quail population is poor along the Kankakee River, fair west of U.S. Highway 35,

\*Forestland Plan Preliminary Investigation Report, Bailey-Cox-Newtson P.L. 566 Watershed, Starke County, Indiana, USDA Forest Service, November 1968.

\*\*Monoculture in Agriculture: Extent, Cause and Problems, USDA Task Force Report, October 1973.

\*\*\*Joseph E. Lamendola, Statewide Wildlife Surveys, Project No. W-25-R(S1)-3, 1972. --Environmental Setting--

and good east of U.S. Highway 35. Cottontail rabbit population is fair to good.\* (See Appendix D, Exhibit 8B, for additional mammals occurring in the watershed and vicinity.)

The IDNR information shows that of all hunting efforts in the area rabbits supply about 37 percent; squirrel, 18 percent; quail, 13 percent; pheasant, 15 percent; migratory birds, 8 percent; and other hunting, 9 percent.

Many species of songbirds utilize the woody cover which serves as a safe travel lane through large areas of cropland. Tall trees are nesting places for the great horned owl, redtailed hawk, Baltimore oriole, scarlet tanager and many others. Dead and hollow trees invite flickers, red-headed woodpeckers, bluebirds, sapsuckers, house wrens and other species of birds. Shrubby border and fence rows attract cardinals, mockingbirds, catbirds, cedar waxwings, brown thrashers, indigo buntings, goldfinches, song sparrows, vireos and chipping sparrows. (See Appendix D, Exhibit 8A, for other species identified in the watershed and vicinity.)

The sport fishing in the watershed is limited. The lower two miles of Bailey Ditch receive the heaviest use for sport fishing. There are areas on all three ditches used by northern pike for spawning. The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service and IDNR made five different fish shocking studies on the main channels in the watershed downstream from U.S. Highway 35 in 1975. Twenty-five species of fish were collected during the study of which the following were found the most often: black bullhead, spotted sucker, northern pike, white sucker, bluegill, green sunfish, carp, black crappie, largemouth bass, and grass pickerel. The upper reaches of Bailey, Cox, and Newtson dry up in the summer and maintain no permanent fish population.\*\*

Public access to existing resources is available only by permission of the landowners or at bridge intersections.

No rare or endangered plant or animal species have been identified in the watershed as being dependent upon conditions unique to this watershed. The American peregrine falcon, <u>Falco perigunees anatum</u>, migrates through Indiana and the young southern bald eagle, <u>Haliaeetus</u> <u>leucocephalus</u>, occasionally visits parts of the state.

The badger, Franklin ground squirrel, plains pocket gopher, and starnosed mole are peripheral species. A peripheral species is one whose occurrence in Indiana is at the edge of its natural range and/or which is rare or endangered within the state although not in its range as a whole.

<sup>\*</sup>An Appraisal of Potential for Outdoor Recreational Developments in Starke County, Indiana: Prepared by the Starke County Soil and Water Conservation District, 1971.

<sup>\*\*</sup>Biology Survey and Report, U.S. Dept. of Agriculture, Soil Conservation
Service, May 1975.

Because a large percentage of the area has been cleared and drained for agricultural crop production, many of the native species that were dependent on large blocks of natural forest and wetland are gone. In their place are species which were able to adapt to an agricultural situation.

## Recreational resources

The following recreational activities are rated as having a high potential for development in Starke County: canoe and pack trips, sports area games, bicycling, picnicking, warm water fishing, waterfowl hunting, and shooting preserves.\*

There has been very little interest shown by the local people in developing recreational resources.

#### Archaeological, historical and unique scenic resources

There are no entries for Starke County, Indiana, in the National Register of Historic Places.\*\* The Kankakee State Fish and Game Area and Bass Lake are listed in "Natural Areas in Indiana and their Preservation."\*\*\* The Indiana Guide to Historic Places lists Koontz Lake, in addition to those previously mentioned.\*\*\*\* None of the sites listed in these references are located within the watershed; however, local landowners consider the "Indian Hill Sand Blowout" and "Oak Grove Cemetery" as historical or unique areas. Neither area will be affected by the planned project. There are no known sites eligible for inclusion in the National Register of Historic Places.

The State Historic Preservation Officer, Division of Nature Preserves (IDNR) and Starke County Historical Society were contacted; but no additional sites were identified.

\*An Appraisal of Potentials for Outdoor Recreational Developments in Starke County, Indiana: Prepared by the Starke County Soil and Water Conservation District, 1971.

\*\*National Register of Historic Places: National Park Service, February 1975.

\*\*\*<u>Natural Areas in Indiana and Their Preservation</u>: Department of Biology, University of Notre Dame, May 1970.

\*\*\*\*<u>Indiana Guide to Historic Places</u>: Indiana Department of Commerce, 1973.

An archaeological study conducted by the Indiana Historical Society was completed in May 1975.\* Following is a summary of the study:

The high areas in the topography are represented by very light brown sand and could be seen literally as islands standing above and surrounded by the waters of the marsh throughout most of an average year in the prehistoric and recent historic past. Though an occasional artifact may be turned up by the plow in the low dark soil areas, the concentrations of materials suggestive of a prehistoric occupation are found exclusively on these "islands" or hills of light brown sand. Four sites were found within the temporary easement and could possibly be disturbed. All four sites were considered significant enough to be retained in their natural state or be salvaged.

Past and present surveys suggest that the sand "islands" were occupied intermittently over a long period of time in the prehistoric past. Diagnostic materials in the hands of local collectors suggest that the earliest regular usage of these sites began in the early Archaic Period ca. 6000 B.C., and extended right up to the time of European contact in the early Historic Period.

The nature of the sites' locations (islands in a large marsh area) and the nature of the debris scattered on these sites (small clusters of materials scattered over the entire island) would suggest that these sites were occupied by small groups of prehistoric peoples for brief periods of time. The exploitation of this marsh area appears to have been regular but for brief periods of time over a long period of some 7,000 to 8,000 years. The exact nature of this marsh exploitation is as yet unknown due to the lack of intensive excavation in the area.

The cultural relationships of the Kankakee River are much closer to the materials of the lower Illinois River Valley, 300 or 400 miles away, than they are to the upper Wabash River drainage only a few miles to the south. The importance of the sites in this area is twofold. First, an intensive investigation of the area may help us understand the processes of culture change in time and culture movement in space so that we could begin to explain why this above-mentioned positive correlation of culture area boundary and natural area boundary is so nearly the same. Secondly, to fully understand the ecological adaptation of the prehistoric inhabitants of the lower Illinois River Valley, it will be necessary to understand why they so regularly exploited the resources of the marsh and swamp areas of the headwater area of their watershed.

\*Archaeological Investigation and Report of the Bailey-Cox-Newtson Watershed: Indiana Historical Society, May 1975.

#### Soil, water, and plant management status

The present trend in land use is essentially stable with a slight decrease each year in cropland with an accompanying increase in pasture, forest land, and other land. Anticipated changes during the installation period of the project are summarized below:

	Cropland	Pasture	Forest Land	Other Land
Present Future	9,910 9,790	390 460	480 500	1,290 1,320
Change	-120	+70	+20	+30

The change in land use as indicated above is attributable mainly to economic and technical conditions rather than project action. The major factors involved in the change are: the high cost of land, equipment, labor, and capital.

Adequate forest fire protecton is provided for the forest land by the IDNR, Division of Forestry, in cooperation with the U.S. Forest Service through the Clarke-McNary Cooperative Forest Fire Control Program.

There are 107 farms in the watershed and 22 (20 percent) of the farms have conservation plans with the SWCD.

Acres and percentages of land considered adequately treated by land use are: 1,760 acres cropland, 18 percent; 80 acres pasture, 38 percent; 160 acres forest land, 55 percent; and 100 acres other, 36 percent. This represents 2,100 acres which comprise 20 percent of the total land needs of the watershed.

Conservation practice units needed in the watershed and percent applied on the land are as follows:

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Practice*	Practice Units	s Needed**	Percent Applied
Stripcropping	560 A	Ac.	00
Grade Stabilization Structure	es 45 M	No.	18
Conservation Cropping System	11,506 /	Ac.	32
Crop Residue Use	10,265 /	Ac.	36
Subsurface Drains	261,000	Ft.	31
Drainage Field Ditches	62,400 H	Ft.	42
Pasture and Hayland Managemen	it 131 A	Ac.	00
Ponds	5 1	No.	40
Pasture and Hayland Planting	153 /	Ac.	28
Tree Planting	10 /	Ac.	50
Livestock Exclusion	281 /	Ac.	56
Woodland Improvement	50 A	Ac.	00
Wildlife Upland Habitat Mgmt.	175 /	Ac.	00
Field Border	3,300	Ft.	00
Hedgerow Planting	6,200	Ft.	00
Field Windbreak	9,300 1	Ft.	00
Critical Area Planting	10 /	Ac.	00
Minimum Tillage	6,556 /	Ac.	30

Cost sharing for some conservation practices is available through the Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation Service which administers the Agricultural Conservation Program.

Adequate local funds are available for applying needed individual farm land treatment practices. Also, there is no shortage of local contractors to apply conservation practices.

The watershed is serviced by the SWCD which provides technical assistance to landowners and operators in the preparation of conservation plans and the application of land treatment measures.

#### Projects of other agencies

The United States Department of Agriculture is presently conducting a comprehensive Type IV river basin investigation and survey of the Kankakee River Basin in Indiana. Completion of the study is scheduled for November 1976. Bailey-Cox-Newtson Watershed is a part of this study.

There are no other water resource development projects in operation, or being considered by other agencies or groups that would affect or be affected by the installation of measures proposed in this plan.

#### \*Exhibit 1.

\*\*Practice units on the land and planned for completion during project installation. Appropriate practices may be substituted for those listed as conditions and technology change.

# WATER AND RELATED LAND RESOURCE PROBLEMS

#### Land and water management

Many areas of the watershed now under cultivation have soils with erosion, drainage and/or droughty limitations. The ability of these soils to sustain efficient production depends on the establishment and maintenance of needed conservation measures (see Appendix D, Exhibit 2).

Flooding and drainage are problems on approximately 9,310 acres. Of this area, 2,810 acres are subject to flooding. Damaging effects of the drainage problem is evidenced through impaired root and plant growth, increased disease, greater competition from weeds, reduced crop quality and delayed field work. Drought damage occurs during periods of low rainfall and results in decreased yields on approximately 7,700 acres. Low economic returns as a result of these problems do not permit the landowner or operator to apply management for top efficiency.

Overall economic capabilities of landowners and operators present no limitation to application of conservation practices. There is no need for additional conservation contractors.

There is a continuing need for information and education programs to effectively reach and motivate the landowner and operator who must carry out the land treatment measures.

#### Floodwater damage

The flood problem in the watershed is linked to high flows of long duration on the Kankakee River. Normal outflow from the watershed during these periods is restricted, thereby causing high water levels to be built up and maintained in drainage ditches throughout the area. Flooding occurs from seepage through levees, concentrated local rainfall, and lateral water movement through permeable soil layers. Flooding begins at about the 0.5-year frequency storm. The average annual acres flooded without project are 1,990 acres on the Bailey Ditch, 623 acres on the Newtson Ditch, and 232 acres on the Cox Ditch.

The overall problem is increasing as sediment encroaches further on existing channel capacity of the Kankakee River. Occurrence of floods is concentrated in the period, October through May, with few events reported in the intervening period.

Effects of the problem are experienced yearly and are evident in reduced crop yields and crop quality and increased production cost. Yield reduction arises through interruption in the timing of normal farm

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operations. Excess moisture and discoloration of the crop lower its acceptability in the market; whereas, increased wear of farm machinery, added expense for replanting, and lengthened time requirements for performing necessary farm operations increase the overall cost of growing the crop.

Corn is the predominant crop in the flood plain with a lesser amount of soybeans. There are approximately 35 landowners affected by outof-bank flooding. High water in the flooded area has a limiting effect on septic systems.

#### Erosion and sediment damage

The only soils in the watershed subject to appreciable water erosion are the Plainfield soils. Most areas of Plainfield soils are wooded, and soil losses in these areas are negligible. About 64 acres of Plainfield soils are used for crops. Slopes range from 2 to 6 percent. The soil loss on the cropped acreage is 3.25 tons/acre/year, as calculated using the Universal Soil Loss Equation. This amount is well within the soil loss tolerance of 5 tons/acre/year for Plainfield soils.

The hazard of soil loss due to wind erosion is a major concern in the watershed. Approximately 20 acres of blowouts (depressions excavated by wind) are in the watershed. These blowouts are formed in soils that have inadequate plant cover. Sediment transported by wind damages young crops and is deposited in road ditches and drainageways. Maumee, Morocco, Brems, and Plainfield soils are very susceptible to wind erosion (see General Soil Map, Appendix D, Exhibit 6C).

Field examination indicated that erosion and sediment damages were not severe enough to warrant a detailed economic and physical evaluation.

Sediment yields are low. The average annual sediment yield from the entire watershed is estimated at 118 tons/year. With the installation of the project measures, sediment yields may be reduced to an estimated 26 tons/year.

#### Drainage problems

Agricultural drainage problems exist on approximately 6,500 acres due to inadequate channel depth, capacity, and restricted outflow during high stages of long duration on the Kankakee River. Open and closed drains are restricted during floods. The most significant problems are recurring patterns of drainage impairment and flooding which occur throughout the growing season. Damaging effects are expressed through impaired root and plant growth, increased plant disease, greater competition from weeds, reduced crop quality, and delayed field work.
Due to the existing flooding and drainage problems, crop production costs are higher and crop yields are lower when compared with production on land without these problems. Thus, less maintenance, labor, and material are applied by landowners and operators in the problem areas. Average annual yields in the area affected by poor drainage outlets are reduced by an estimated 26 bushels per acre for corn and 12 bushels per acre for soybeans.

The lack of adequate drainage outlets in the lower reaches of Bailey-Cox-Newtson has resulted in a large portion of these drains becoming inoperative. In some sections, drains are now inadequate for either passage of floodwater or to serve as suitable drainage outlets.

The most severely affected problem areas studied are scattered surface depressions and low areas. Storm runoff concentrations in these areas remain for prolonged periods of time. Crop yields are greatly reduced, and complete crop failure is frequently a result of prolonged ponding.

#### Plant and animal problems

The watershed was originally part of the "Grand Marsh" in the late 1800's. Most of the swamps have been drained resulting in only a small fraction of the original "Grand Marsh" remaining today. Much of the plant and animal species depending on the wetland habitat no longer exist in this area. The remaining forest, wetland, pasture, wildlife, and recreation land provides only fair permanent cover for wildlife. Approximately 9 percent of the watershed is presently covered with woody vegetation. This 9 percent woody vegetation includes the forest land and about 50 percent of the other land which has woody cover.

Since 82 percent of the watershed is cropland, the wildlife populations will be substantially influenced by the agricultural land use and management practices. Farm ponds, wildlife habitat development and other vegetative erosion-control practices are beneficial to wildlife existence.

The number of individual woodlots and canopy cover increased while the acres of woodland, average woodlot size, and percent of woodlots with shrubs decreased from 1937 to 1965. Miles of fence rows decreased 25 percent from 1935 to 1965.\*

The hydrologic condition of the forest land varies from poor to fair. The forest land is in a generally poor condition either because it was formerly cleared land which has reverted to trees or it has been

<sup>\*</sup>Preliminary Investigation Report for Bailey-Cox-Newtson Watershed, Starke County, Indiana, U.S. Department of Agriculture, Forest Service, November 1968.

abused through poor management such as poor logging practices, grazing, and fires. This condition has contributed to an increase in the frequency of flooding, erosion, and sediment damages.

Although only 4 percent of the watershed is forested, it is important for this portion of the land to receive treatment if the overall condition is to be improved.

Most of the forest land is, and has been, moderately grazed by cattle and hogs in the past 5 years. Local markets for veneer and sawlogs are good, but are generally lacking for most other forest products.\*

Backwater flooding occurs in lower reaches several times annually and prevents such ground nesting species as quail and rabbits from developing populations of great importance.

### Water quality problems

Water quality is generally good for agricultural use. Dissolved phosphate was normal for an agricultural watershed, but dissolved nitrate concentrations were unusually low. Insecticide concentrations in the stream bottom materials are not high. (See Appendix D, Exhibit 9C.)

Concentrations of dissolved manganese are close to problem causing levels but should not be considered alarming. The manganese is associated with iron and is found in small deposits throughout the watershed. The manganese enters the surface water through ground water seepage. Black stain is noticeable; however, no odor or taste is associated with existing concentrations.

A detailed account of water quality is presented in the <u>Watershed</u> Resources--Environmental Setting, Physical Resources section.

#### Economic and social problems

The watershed is not considered an economically depressed area. This area is one of the better producing areas in Starke County.

Unemployment is not a problem in Starke County. The farms in the watershed are family farms. Off-farm employment is an important contributor to the disposable income of the area. Approximately 35 percent of the farmers are employed off the farm 100 days or more per year. Approximately five percent of the farms use hired help or seasonal, part-time help.

There is an increasing need for sewage and waste disposal in the watershed with the development of small residential areas, small manufacturing and the new airport.

<sup>\*</sup>Preliminary Investigation Report for Bailey-Cox-Newtson Watershed, Starke County, Indiana, U.S. Department of Agriculture, Forest Service, November 1968.

### RELATIONSHIP TO LAND USE PLANS, POLICIES, AND CONTROLS

The watershed is developed primarily for use as cropland and pasture. There is a small amount of residential use other than for landowner and operator.

The watershed has made a slight gain in population over the period 1960-1970. While there is a consistent loss of farm population, the gain is attributed to an influx of non-farm residents.

The Starke County Area Plan Commission has developed a land use plan for Starke County, Indiana. The watershed is zoned agricultural with the exception of two areas zoned I-2, (Heavy Industrial), and the small town of Brems. All structural works of improvement under the PL-566 program would be done in the area zoned as agricultural. The project proposals are not in conflict with any other proposal, and they enhance present land use.

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#### ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACTS

#### Conservation land treatment

The application of planned land treatment measures will bring an additional 8,250 acres under adequate treatment. The combined effect of applying the needed conservation measures will reduce the movement of soil through wind erosion and thereby reduce maintenance requirements of drainage and roadside ditches.

Removal of surplus water through installation of subsurface drains, drainage field ditches, and drainage mains and laterals will improve 4,100 acres of cropland with a wetness limitation. Reduced production costs, improved crop quality, and increased yields will increase the efficiency of farm enterprises.

Pasture management practices to be applied on 130 acres will improve the overall quality and production of pasture areas. Such areas, when properly treated and managed, complement the overall farm operation, contributing significantly to farm income with a minimum of erosion.

Creation of a good humus layer on forested areas will reduce runoff and erosion. Approved cultural operations and livestock exclusion from forest land will improve the overall quality of future forest land production as well as increase the quantity of production.

Many species of wildlife will benefit from vegetative land treatment measures that contribute to the quality of wildlife habitat. Some of these measures are stripcropping, crop residue management, pasture and hayland planting, pasture and hayland management, tree planting, critical area planting, wildlife habitat management (upland and wetland), and livestock exclusion.

#### Structural measures

The beneficial and adverse environmental effects are closely related to periods of pump operation and periods of gravity outlet conditions. The typical periods are shown below:

Period	Dates	Pumps	Gravity Gates
1	Jan. 1 to March 15	Off	Open
2	March 15 to June 15	On	Open & Closed
3	June 15 to Sept. 15	Off	Open
4	Sept. 15 to Dec. 1	On	Open & Closed
5	Dec. 1 to Dec. 31	Off	Open

It is estimated the pumps will be running 30 percent of the time during the spring of the year when northern pike use the channels for spawning. Their spawning will be reduced by restricting adult migration through the pump station and by the fluctuating water level on the channel bank vegetation which may destroy spawn. The structures for water control will destroy a portion of the vegetation on the channel banks which northern pike use for spawning habitat. A 14-acre area will be used between the dike and the river for northern pike spawning.

By removing surface water in the spring on cropland, the waterfowl resting areas will be reduced. The pump station will be constructed to permit 44 acres to flood from the time fall harvest is completed until the pumps are started in the spring.

The planned channel work will temporarily disturb fish and wildlife habitat in and along the channel. This disruption will be limited to mainly the constructed side of the channel excavation portion which is about 19 miles. Only minor disturbance will take place on the unconstructed side and the selective clearing sections. Thirtythree acres of woody vegetation along the channel will be destroyed, and 39 acres will be planted along the channel, by the spawning area, and between the dike and river.

One sided construction will preserve the vegetative canopy. Wildlife markers will be installed to protect the permanent easement area for wildlife use.

Downstream water pollution (turbidity) will be reduced by the construction of sediment traps.

Modifications of the ll culverts and bridges will temporarily disrupt established local traffic patterns. These modifications will be scheduled at different times during construction to facilitate rerouting of traffic.

The channel work will help provide joint flooding and drainage relief on nearly 2,317 acres, flooding relief on 2,810 average annual acres, and drainage relief on 4,183 acres. This will provide about a threeyear level of protection from flooding. The structures for water control will prevent excessive drainage in areas adjacent to the channel where deepening is required and will control the subsurface water level to provide for better conservation of summer rains. Fish will be able to survive in the middle and upper reaches of the channel in the summer months due to the storage of surface water in the channel when the structures are operational. For details of typical structures, see Appendix D, Exhibits 5B-1 and 5B-2.

#### Economic and social

During the period of construction, approximately 33 man-years of labor will be required for installation. During the life of the project, about 0.5 man-years will be required annually for the operations and maintenance.

The quality of living for the beneficiaries of the project should be improved because of the benefits realized from the project. The average benefit for eighty farm units will be approximately \$1,340 annually.

Secondary effects generated by the project will be through increased demands on local suppliers of goods and services and on local processing, transporting, and marketing facilities.

Total average annual benefits are estimated to be \$156,250, which include flood damage benefits of \$48,100, more intensive land use benefits of \$12,060, agricultural water management (drainage) benefits of \$46,870, and local secondary benefits of \$49,220.

The ratio of average benefits of \$156,250 to the average annual cost of \$87,850 is 1.8 to 1.0 (see Appendix A--Comparison of Benefits & Cost).

#### Favorable environmental effects

The following project effects are considered favorable to the total environment:

- 1. Adequately treat 8,250 additional acres, bringing the total to approximately 10,350 acres (86 percent of the watershed).
- 2. Provide soil erosion control on minor areas subject to water erosion and major wind erosion areas.
- Provide flood relief on 2,810 average annual acres, joint flooding and drainage relief on 2,317 acres, and drainage relief on 4,183 acres.
- 4. Preserve four known archaeological and historical sites.
- 5. Provide livestock exclusion along the channel rights-of-way.
- 6. Protect 70 acres of woody habitat within the permanent easement on the unconstructed side.
- 7. Plant 91 acres of grasses and legumes on the disturbed areas.
- 8. Protect 240 acres of permanent easement for wildlife habitat.
- 9. Improve summer fish habitat upstream of structures for water control.

# Adverse environmental effects

The following project effects are considered adverse:

- 1. Temporary disturbance to fish habitat during construction.
- 2. Damage to unconstructed side of channel during installation of surface field ditches, grassed waterways, and grade stabilization structures.
- 3. Increased noise, air, and water pollution (sediment and turbidity) during construction.
- 4. Temporary disruption of local traffic patterns during construction.

# ALTERNATIVES

## Accelerated conservation land treatment only

An accelerated land treatment program will reduce erosion, thereby reducing sediment contribution to Bailey, Cox, and Newtson Ditches. Reduced erosion and sedimentation will improve soil and stream conditions. Livestock exclusion from woodland will increase production and protect wildlife habitat. Other woodland, cropland, and pastureland treatment measures will improve hydrologic conditions. Many species of wildlife will benefit from these vegetative land treatment measures.

This alternative will limit income to landowners due to continued flood, drainage, and drought damages. Floodwater damages would remain nearly identical to present conditions. Drainage will remain unimproved and continue to deteriorate and cause increased damages as suitable outlets would not be available. Soils with moderate to severe drought limitations will remain unimproved and continue to cause decreased crop yield.

The estimated installation cost is \$372,500.

Channel excavation (enlargement including deepening where necessary); 1.2 miles of new channel construction; pump station at the watershed outlet; dike construction; structures for water control; and 2,600acre irrigation system along with accelerated land treatment.

This alternative includes channel excavation on 25.0 miles of existing channel and 1.2 miles of new channel construction to provide an adequate outlet where drainage is now impaired and reduce future maintenance; installation of a dike and associated pumps at the watershed outlet to provide flooding and drainage relief; structures for water control to prevent excessive drainage and control subsurface water level to provide for better conservation of summer rains; and an associated 2,600-acre irrigation system to provide needed moisture to droughty soils. The land treatment benefits, level of protection, and environmental effects would be similar to the planned project. The estimated total project installation cost is \$1,970,090.

Channel excavation (enlargement including deepening where necessary); 1.2 miles of new channel construction; pump station at the watershed outlet; dike construction; and structures for water control along with accelerated land treatment.

This alternative is identical to the above except for the 2,600-acre irrigation system. The estimated total project installation cost is \$1,697,600.

Minor channel work (debris and flow-impeding brush removal); pump station at the watershed outlet; and dike construction along with accelerated land treatment.

Channel work would be limited to removal of brush and debris throughout Bailey, Cox, and Newtson Ditches. Installation of the dike and associated pump station at the watershed outlet will provide flooding and some drainage relief. This alternative would minimize destruction of wildlife habitat along the channel and the effects of construction on stream fishery. Environmental effects of the dike and pump station would be the same as in the planned project. Land treatment benefits will be similar to those found in the planned project. The estimated total project installation cost is \$789,970.

No PL-566 project--local action only.

The present land treatment program will in time reduce sediment contribution to Bailey, Cox, and Newtson Ditches; however, floodwater, drainage, and droughtiness will continue to cause damages. The estimated net annual monetary benefits that would be foregone by not implementing the planned project are \$68,400.

Drainage and flooding have been a concern of the local people for several years. Small drains were first constructed in the late 1800's as the agricultural potential of the area became evident. Larger ditches were constructed in the 1920's as the need for better outlets increased. Within their economic resources, landowners will continue a piecemeal effort to provide drainage and flood protection to agricultural lands. This effort will usually be carried out with little regard for environmental safeguards.

In addition to the monetary loss, a "no project action" would preempt the opportunity to encourage landowners, through a federally assisted project, to conform to a comprehensive land and water management program with the proper balance of environmental considerations.

# Dike construction, lateral water collection trenches, pump stations, and accelerated land treatment.

Dikes would be constructed from the river upstream on both sides of the Bailey, Cox, and Newtson Ditches to an elevation of 676.0 MSL. Lateral water collection trenches would be installed on cropland having a flooding problem. Pumping stations would be installed at these trenches to pump the water into the ditches. The estimated total project installation cost is \$1,620,400.

This alternate would minimize destruction of fish and wildlife habitat. Spawning grounds would be preserved as the Bailey, Cox, and Newtson Ditches would remain in their existing free-flowing condition. Kankakee River backwater areas would be retained for waterfowl use. Backwater flooding from the Kankakee River would continue, while some relief from flood and drainage damages would be afforded other cropland areas.

#### Channel excavation, selective clearing, dike construction, pump station, structures for water control, waterfowl area, fish spawning area, and accelerated land treatment.

This alternate would include all the work in the planned project plus the purchase of a 50-acre tract of land to be used as a northern pike spawning area and waterfowl area. The area to be purchased lies on the land side of the dike, south of the Bailey Ditch, and west of county road 125 West. A dike would be constructed around the area, and the pumping station would be constructed to permit reversal of the pumps to flood the area during winter and spring. Fifteen acres of this tract would be constructed for both waterfowl use and as a spawning area, and the remainder would be designed for waterfowl use only.

This alternate would replace both the spawning grounds disturbed by channel excavation and the migrating waterfowl resting area damaged by the dike construction. A farm unit would be disrupted, and 50 acres of cropland would be lost by this alternative.

The estimated total project installation cost is \$1,570,410.

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#### SHORT-TERM VS. LONG-TERM USE OF RESOURCES

Land use is expected to remain reasonably stable with a minor decrease in cropland and corresponding increases in pasture, forest, and other land. The entire watershed is agriculturally oriented, being 82 percent cropland. The area is best suited for cropland, pasture, and woodland. The Maumee, Gilford, Milford, and Rensselaer soils are predominant and the most productive in the county. The project will make possible the most efficient use of this valuable resource. The project is considered compatible with these trends.

The project will provide relief from erosion, sedimentation, drainage, and flooding problems within the watershed. Drought related problems will be partly corrected through the installation of structures for water control. Also, project measures will allow individual landowners to install irrigation systems in the future. With the specified operation and maintenance program, the structural measures will function over the designed project life or longer.

The project will reduce options for long-term use of the 240 acres to be included within the permanent easement area along the channels. This area will be totally committed to other land.

The project is compatible with projected future long-term uses of the land, water, and other natural resources as cutlined in the Kankakee River Basin Report now in draft form. The selected plan, including the dike, was adopted from the alternatives presented from the Kankakee Study.

Within the Upper Mississippi Subregion, the status of the watershed activity is as follows: (Indiana portion) authorized for construction but inactive--1; authorized for planning--1; applications received and awaiting further action--7.

The Bailey-Cox-Newtson Watershed has an area of 18.86 square miles which comprises 0.2 percent of the Upper Mississippi Subregion. The watershed comprises only 0.4 percent of the Kankakee River Basin watershed. Therefore, any effect it would have on the subregion is considered negligible.

Cumulative environmental effects within the watershed will include the improvement of the quality of wildlife habitat through installation of land treatment measures.



#### IRREVERSIBLE AND IRRETRIEVABLE COMMITMENT OF RESOURCES

The funds required for the project are \$1,470,560 including costs for land and labor.

The energy expended for project installation is irretrievable.

The total permanent easement consists of 240 acres. Approximately 149 acres of the permanent easement will be altered during channel improvement. The remainder of the permanent easement will be preserved in its natural state. Before and after land usage within that portion of the permanent easement being altered is as follows: (Bailey, Cox, and Newtson Ditches)

Land Use	Present (ac.)	<u>Future (ac.)</u>
Cropland	39	
Forest land	0	
Grassland	.10	
Other land	100	149

These conversions are to be committed for the project life.



#### CONSULTATION AND REVIEW WITH APPROPRIATE AGENCIES AND OTHERS

#### General

Local action to provide relief from flooding, poor drainage, wind and sheet erosion, and yield reduction on droughty soils was initiated by conducting an educational and informational meeting, May 9, 1967.

About 50 percent of the watershed landowners attended the meeting to express interest and elect the Steering Committee. Records indicate that the Service was contacted at that time to study the needs and provide a solution for the problems of water management.

An application for planning assistance under PL-566 was made July 11, 1967. The application was approved by IDNR, September 21, 1967.

A preliminary investigation report was initiated in late 1967 and completed February 1969. The report emphasized: land treatment measures; 24.7 miles of channel improvement for flood prevention, drainage, and irrigation; a dike along the Kankakee River; structures for water control along the ditches; and a pump station.

To carry out the general formulation of the preliminary investigation report, a petition to form the Bailey-Cox-Newtson Conservancy District was initiated in December 1971. With the Natural Resources Commission approval and after the final hearing at the Starke County Circuit Court in October 1972, a conservancy district was organized.

USDA planning authorization was requested February 1975 and was received May 1975. A meeting was held in Knox, Indiana, March 19, 1975, between the Conservancy District and the Service to discuss the watershed's relationship with the Kankakee River Basin Study. The Conservancy District was informed that an environmental assessment of the watershed was going to be conducted. Cooperation and assistance of the Conservancy District was requested in completing necessary inventories.

The following agencies, groups, and organizations were contacted and given an opportunity to participate in the preparation of the environmental assessment.

University of Notre Dame Department of Geology Department of Biology Purdue University, Department of Geosciences Valparaiso University, Department of Geography Ball State University, Natural Resources Department Indiana University, Department of Recreation and Park Administration Environmental Protection Agency United States Department of Agriculture, Forest Service United States Department of Interior Fish and Wildlife Service Geological Survey, Water Quality

Upper Mississippi River Basin Commission Starke County Historical Society Indiana Historical Society Indiana Farm Bureau, Inc., Natural Resources Department Indiana Conservation Council, Inc. Indiana Department of Natural Resources Director (State Historical Preservation Officer) Division of Water Pollution Control Division of Air Pollution Division of Water Division of Outdoor Recreation Division of Nature Preserves Division of Fish and Wildlife Division of Forestry National Speleological Society Amos W. Butler Audubon Society Izaac Walton League of America Hoosier Group Sierra Club

Information received from the agencies, groups, and organizations was used to determine environmental impacts on the various project alternatives.

The State Historic Preservation Officer has concluded that none of the sites identified during the archaeological investigation are eligible for inclusion in the National Register of Historic Places.

Biology field reviews were conducted during the preparation of the fish and wildlife inventories. Representatives of U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, IDNR, Division of Fish and Wildlife; and the Service participated in these reviews.

On June 12, 1975, a public meeting was held in Knox, Indiana, at which time Service personnel presented project alternatives and anticipated environmental impacts.

During the review stage for the first draft to the plan and environmental impact statement, the following groups or agencies were asked to review and comment on the documents:

United States Department of Agriculture, Forest Service United States Department of Interior, Fish and Wildlife Service Indiana Department of Natural Resources Bailey-Cox-Newtson Conservancy District Starke County Soil & Water Conservation District Starke County Drainage Board

A public meeting was held on February 19, 1976, in Knox, Indiana, to discuss the engineering, economic, and environmental aspects of the planned project.

Discussion and Disposition of each Comment on Draft Environmental Statement

Comments were requested from the following agencies, groups, and individuals:

Department of the Army Department of Commerce\* Department of Health Education and Welfare Department of the Interior\* Department of Transportation Environmental Protection Agency Office of Equal Opportunity, USDA\* Federal Power Commission\* Upper Mississippi River Basin Commission Indiana Department of Natural Resources (For Governor)\*\* Indiana State Clearinghouse Kankakee-Iroquois Regional Planning Commission Natural Resources Defense Council\* Friends of the Earth\* National Wildlife Federation\* National Audubon Society\* Environmental Impact Assessment Project\*

\*Did not respond.

**\*\*The Director of IDNR is designated as the State Historic Preservation Officer.** Comments from him are considered as encompassing both responsibilities.

Summary of Comments and Responses

Each issue, problem or objection is summarized; and a response given on the following pages. Comments are serially numbered. The original letters of comment appear in Appendix C.

Department of the Army

- Comment: An Army Corps of Engineers permit under Section 404 of the F.W.P.C.A. of 1972 will be required for this project.
  - Response: An application for a permit will be submitted by the Conservancy District prior to construction.
- 2. Comment: What effects will the subject project have on the three wetland areas described on page II-22?
  - Response: The implementation of the project will not result in an adverse effect on any of the wetlands in the watershed.

# --Consultation--

- 3. Comment: Additional adverse impacts stated earlier in the Statement should be restated on page II-40, Adverse environmental impacts.
  - Response: As set forth in revised SCS guidelines, only the impacts which have not been mitigated are to be recognized as adverse effects. The "impacts" listed on page II-40 are the net adverse effects as a result of the project.

### Department of Transportation

- Comment: The manner in which the Abbreviated Environmental Quality Plan is presented in Part II of the Addendum is confusing. It gives the appearance of being the plan proposed except as noted on page I-23 which indicates the plan is hypothetical and not to be installed. It would appear this could be presented as an alternative plan and discussed as such.
  - Response: The Abbreviated Environmental Quality (EQ) Plan was developed in accordance with phase-in procedures adopted by the Water Resources Council. Because of the limited time for the phase-in plans, problems' needs and solutions described in the abbreviated EQ Plan were not inventoried in sufficient detail to be considered as a viable alternative. The EQ Plan addressed different types of problems from those described in the EIS, and therefore is not an alternative means of achieving the effects described in the selected plan.
- Comment: Page II-23, paragraph 5, under Economic Resources, lists transportation facilities available within the watershed area. However, the impacts of the proposed watershed project on these facilities were not discussed.
  - Response: The project will not induce flood or drainage damage to roads and bridges nor provide significant benefits to these facilities. A discussion of the impacts on local traffic patterns has been included on page II-38.

#### Environmental Protection Agency

- Comment: Part of the project design is to retain water within portions of ditches during the summer months to provide irrigation.
  - Response: The water stored by the structures for water control will not be used for irrigation. The structures will prevent excessive drainage in areas adjacent to the

channel where deepening is required and will control the subsurface water level to provide for better conservation of summer rains. A discussion of these structures is included on pages I-19, II-15, and II-38 and has been revised for clarification.

- Comment: From our site inspection of the project, we found several areas which may have questionable pollutional discharges which should be eliminated or cleaned up prior to project implementation.
  - Response: The State Stream Pollution Control Board and State Board of Health are responsible for water quality standards within the state. Also, these agencies are responsible for the monitoring and policing of compliance with these standards. The local sponsoring organizations are not constructing measures that will create additional problems but, in fact, will facilitate more rapid drainage relief and lessen concentrations. The sponsors will continue to be alert during operation of the project for pollution sources and will work with appropriate authorities to correct the problem.

The pipes outletting into the Newtson Ditch along Co. Rd. 300E are tile drains for the removal of surface water from the housing area. The water quality study discussed on page II-22 indicates there is insignificant pollution in this area. The ratio of fecal coliform to fecal streptococci colonies is 0.14:1 as shown in Appendix D, Exhibit 9B for water quality sampling site number 8.

The visible pollution in the feeder ditch to Newtson Ditch at the Starke County Airport is caused by the leaching of iron deposits in the ditch banks.

- 3. Comment: Prior to the commencement of any channel work, samples of the channel sediment should be taken to determine the characteristics of the sediments.
  - Response: Insecticide concentrations in bottom materials were analyzed; and the data are shown in Appendix D, Exhibit 9C. A discussion of this data is presented on page II-23 and has been expanded for clarification.

The sediment removed will be placed on the ditch bank and shaped as shown in Appendix D, Exhibits 4B and 4C. The spoil bank will be seeded to grasses and legumes immediately after construction to provide stability and erosion control which will minimize the quantity of sediment reentering the ditches.

#### --Consultation--

- 4. Comment: From the information on II-37, the project will permit farming upon 4,100 acres which have been too wet to farm previously.
  - Response: The narrative on page II-37 has been revised to include the present land use of the 4,100 acres. This area is cropland which is scattered throughout the watershed on poorly to very poorly drained soils as described in Appendix D, Exhibit 6D. As shown on page II-29, there will be a decrease of 120 acres of cropland after project installation.

The Environmental Setting section includes a discussion of the transition of the "Grand Marsh" to agricultural producing land. Restoration of the area to a wetland was not considered a viable alternative as it would not meet the sponsors' objectives. Also, considerable environmental benefits would need to result to offset the economic and social losses to residents in the area.

The "No PL-566 Project" alternative, page II-42, has been expanded to include a discussion of the effects of not developing a comprehensive land and water resource plan.

- 5. Comment: However, by making additional lands available for agricultural uses, the wind erosion problem may be aggravated. If marginal lands are to be used to obtain adequate crop yields, additional amounts of fertilizers and pesticides will be necessary. The addition of these chemicals could have adverse impacts upon water quality and air quality. Therefore, the development of additional land which could be subject to wind and water erosion should be thoroughly analyzed before the decision to implement the project is made.
  - Response: The wind erosion problem will not be aggravated as additional lands are not being made available for agricultural uses.

A large portion of contaminants enter streams attached to soil particles or dissolved in water. Project measures will reduce soil erosion and flooding, thereby reducing contaminants entering the channels.

- 6. Comment: A better description of 14 islands to be placed in the drains should be provided.
  - Response: The 14 "islands" are the structures for water control. The term "island type" has been deleted on page II-11 to avoid confusion. Details of the structures are shown in Appendix D, Exhibits 5B-1 and 5B-2.

- 7. Comment: Since fences will be placed to prevent livestock from entering the channels, we suggest shrub type vegetation also be used. The shrub vegetation would provide aesthetic improvement and avian habitat.
  - Response: Refer to pages II-9, II-10, and Exhibits 4A and 4B. Where fences are needed to protect the vegetative cover, they will be installed at the edge of the permanent easement.

#### Indiana Department of Natural Resources

- 1. Comment: On page II-11, the plan discusses structures for water control but does not mention benefits from these structures. The plan does not discuss why these structures are proposed or what effects these structures are to produce. If the benefits are included in the report, they are not shown in such a way that they can be recognized. If the benefits are classified as irrigation, we can see a need for an additional map showing the area to be benefited from irrigation.
  - Response: The purposes of the structures for water control are discussed on pages I-19 and II-15. The environmental impact of these structures is discussed on page II-38. These structures were not planned for irrigation but as a drainage component of the total water management system. They were designed to prevent excessive drainage, therefore providing drainage benefits.
- Comment: The benefited area shown on the project map which lies north of Bailey Ditch and between the proposed dike and Kankakee River should be changed from benefited to a different land use since this area is subject to constant flooding.

Response: Concur. The Project Map has been corrected.

- 3. Comment: Exhibit 5C which shows the spawning area is very confusing. The symbols may be improperly used. Is there a dike on the south side of the spawning area? If so, why is it needed and what will be the effect on flood flows along the Kankakee River? The plan doesn't present any data on the dike.
  - Response: A discussion of the spawning area has been included in the Planned Project section, page II-12. Exhibits 5D-1 and 5D-2 have been added in Appendix D to further clarify the details of the spawning area.

#### --Consultation--

- 4. Comment: Will the old spoil bank on the east side of the Kankakee River be removed?
  - Response: The old spoil bank on the east side of the Kankakee River will not be removed. The spawning channel will allow floods, greater than the annual event, into the flood plain. See Appendix D, Exhibit 5D-1.
- 5. Comment: The profile on the Bailey, Cox, and Newtson Ditches show water surface elevations with and without the pumps discharging. It is noted that these two profiles never come together. We question whether the effects of the pumps would effect the profile that much.
  - Response: The water surface profile with the pumps discharging represents the profile of the 3-year frequency flood. This profile takes into consideration that the pumps have lowered and maintained the water table at the low stage prior to the onset of the 3-year frequency event. Increased storage in the soil horizons and greater soil infiltration, due to the lower ground water table, have been taken into account in developing this profile.
- 6. Comment: It is almost impossible to make any technical review of the plan with the information presented. Damages and benefits are only presented for the entire watershed and not by reaches. The plan does not state what level of flood protection is proposed. Table 3 presents some design discharge flows, but no information as to what frequency these discharges represent. No information is presented on the height of levee along the Kankakee River or what degree of protection is provided from flooding from the Kankakee River.
  - Response: This is a small watershed and was evaluated as a single unit. Since the lower portions of the laterals have a common flood plain and benefited area, it would not be practical to separate benefits by individual laterals.

A 3-year level of protection is provided as stated on pages II-5 and II-38. The design discharges in Table 3 are 3-year frequency flows. The dike details are discussed in the next response.

7. Comment: The plan states that the proposed project is compatible with the Kankakee River Basin Study. This cannot be determined from the plan, particularly in regards to the height of the levee along the Kankakee River.

- Response: The discussion of the dike has been expanded in the Planned Project section, page II-11, to include height and frequency. Also, a typical cross-section of the planned dike has been added as Appendix D, Exhibit 5C. The planned project is compatible with the wide levee alternative included in the Kankakee River Basin study. The dike provides a 25-year level of protection under present conditions. With future development of the Kankakee basin, the dike will provide approximately a 1-year level of protection.
- 8. Comment: Table 8D, shows that some of the scientific names for several species of fish have been omitted from the text.
  - Response: Concur. The scientific names have been included in Appendix D, Exhibit 8D.
- 9. Comment: It is noted that there are four significant archaeological sites identified in this project; but if any archaeological sites are discovered during construction, they should be reported to this office.
  - Response: The Planned Project section, page II-8, includes a discussion on procedures to be followed should any previously unidentified evidence of cultural values be discovered during detailed investigations or construction.

Indiana State Board of Health

1. Comment: After reviewing these projects, we have the following comments to make:

That the generation of dust during construction must be kept to a minimum. This may be achieved by the use of water sprays or other methods.

That no open burning is allowed in the State of Indiana without the written permission of the Indiana Air Pollution Control Board.

Response: The installation of project measures will be carried out in compliance with local, state, and federal regulations. Specific details will be included in final design construction specifications.

# Kankakee-Iroquois Regional Planning Commission

- 1. Comment: What essentially will be the effect of the B-C-N on possible project proposals of the Kankakee River Basin Study? Albeit, the question asked would be hard to answer given the fact no firm proposal has come out the years of study on the Kankakee, a cursory assessment would be in order. This could be in relation to channel work (widening and deepening) and levee work. This would expand on the statement on page II-45.
  - Response: Data developed during the Kankakee River Basin Study was utilized in formulating a plan for the watershed. The study identified the watershed as being one of the tributaries with potential for development. The watershed was included in the alternatives evaluated in the study and was determined to be compatible with future uses of land and water resources within the basin.
- 2. Comment: An indication of sites of some archaeological significance was identified by the "Archaeological Investigation and Report of the Bailey-Cox-Newtson: Indiana Historical Society, May 1975. One agency of review in relation to archaeological sites is missing, which is the Glen A. Black Laboratory of Archaeology at Indiana University.
  - Response: The Indiana Historic Preservation Officer is the designated official responsible for evaluation of archaeological data. A copy of the plan was furnished to the Glen A. Black Laboratory of Archaeology for their information. Also, their services are used for interpreting the significance of archaeological data.
- 3. Comment: From conversations with individuals in the area, one of the mandates of the S.C.S. and S.W.C.D.'s has been overlooked to a certain degree in the watershed project, and that is education of people, both farmers and nonfarmers, as to good land practices. I am sure the people involved in the B-C-N will do their utmost to educate individuals as to their purposes, problems and solutions to the areas features.
  - Response: The educational program has always been recognized as an important aspect in the implementation of a watershed project. Traditionally, this educational program is carried out by the local sponsors, assisted by the Cooperative Extension Service and Soil Conservation Service.

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Approved By: <u>Clefton</u> Cletus J. Gillman State Conservation Date: <u>May 14, 1976</u> Lillman

State Conservationist



COMPARISON OF BENEFITS AND COSTS FOR STRUCTURAL MEASURES

Bailey-Cox-Newtson Watershed, Indiana

(Dollars)

Benefit Cost Ratio		2.0:1.0	хххххх	1.8:1.0	
Avg. Annual Cost**		79,030	8,820	87,850	
Average Annual Benefits*	Total	156,250	****	156,250	
	Secondary	49,220		49,220	
	Drainage	46,870	XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX	46,870	
	More Intensive Land Use	12,060	XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX	12,060	
	Damage Reduction	48,100		48,100	
	Evaluation Unit	All Measures	Project Admin- istration	GRAND TOTAL	

\*Price base = Agriculture prices current normalized (WRC-Oct. 1974). Other items current 1975. \*\*Installation cost amortized 100 years @ 6 1/8 percent interest.

May 1976

APPENDIX A





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#### DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY Chicago District, Corps of Engineers 219 South Depresent Street Chicago, Illinois 60604

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28 April 1976

Mr. Cletus J. Gillman State Conservationist U. S. Dept. of Agriculture Soil Conservation Service Atkinson Square West, Suite 2200 S610 Crawfordsville Road Indianapolis, Indiana 46224

Dear Mr. Gillman:

Your letter of 24 February 1976 to Colonel James N. Ellis, District Engineer, Louisville District, has been referred to us, the Chicago District, Army Corps of Engineers, as we have jurisdiction over the subject project. We have reviewed the Draft Copy Plan and Environmental Impact Statement for Bailey-Cox-Newtson Watershed and have the following comments:

() An Army Corps of Engineers permit under Section 404 of the F.W.P.C.A. of 1972 will be required for this project.

2 What effects will the subject project have on the three wetland areas described on page II-22?

3 Additional adverse impacts stated earlier in the Statement should be restated on page II-40, Adverse environmental impacts.

Thank you for giving us the opportunity to review this statement. Please send us a copy of the Final Environmental Impact Statement.

Sincerely yours,

MELVIN H. FARRAR LTC, Corps of Engineers Acting District Engineer





#### DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH, EDUCATION, AND WELFARE

REGION V 300 SOUTH WACKER DRIVE CHICAGO, ILLINOIS 60606

OFFICE OF THE REGIONAL DIRECTOR

April 8, 1976

Mr. Cletus J. Gillman State Conservationist U.S. Department of Agriculture Soil Conservation Service 5610 Crawfordsville Road Atkinson Square West, Suite 2200 Indianapolis, Indiana 46224

> RE: Draft Environmental Impact Statement Bailey-Cox-Newtson Watershed Starke County, Indiana

Dear Mr. Gillman:

We have reviewed the Draft Plan and Environmental Impact Statement for the above project. To our knowledge, and based on the information provided, this project will not impact to any significant degree on the health, education or welfare of the population.

Thank you for providing us the opportunity of reviewing the statement.

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Robert A. Ford Regional Environmental Officer

cc: Charles Custard, OEA Warren Muir, CEQ




## DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION UNITED STATES COAST GUARD

MAILING ADDRESS; U.S. COAST GUARD (G-WS/73), WASHINGTON, D.C. 20590 PHONE (202) 426-2262

8 APR 1976

Mr. Cletus J. Gillman State Conservationist Soil Conservation Service 5610 Crawfordsville Road Indianapolis, Indiana 46224

Dear Mr. Gillman:

This is in response to your letter of 24 February 1976 addressed to the Coast Guard Water Resources Coordinator concerning a draft environmental impact statement for the Bailey-Cox-Newtson Watershed, Starke County, Indiana.

The concerned operating administrations and staff of the Department of Transportation have reviewed the material submitted. The Federal Highway Administration had the following comments to offer:

"The manner in which the Abbreviated Environmental Quality Plan is presented in Part II of the Addendum is confusing. It gives the appearance of being the plan proposed except as noted on page I-23 which indicates the plan is hypothetical and not to be installed. It would appear this could be presented as an alternative plan and discussed as such. If for any reason the community park along State Highway 35 is incorporated into the final plan, it is requested that the U. S. Department of Agriculture coordinate closely with the State and Counties in order that sufficient rights-of-way may be set aside to accommodate future expansion of existing facilities that may be required. The time consuming requirements of Section 4(f) and Section 6(f) could be avoided if such coordination is undertaken early in the planning process.

2 "Page II-23, paragraph 5, under Economic Resources, lists transportation facilities available within the watershed area. However, the impacts of the proposed watershed project on these facilities were not discussed." The Department of Transportation has no other comments to offer nor do we have any objection to this project. The final statement, however, should address the concern of the Federal Highway Administration.

The opportunity to review this draft statement is appreciated.

Sincerely,

D. J. RILEY Captain, U. S. Coast Guard Deputy Chief, Office of Marine Environment and Systems By direction of the Commandant



UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY REGION V 230 SOUTH DEARBORN ST. CHICAGO, ILLINOIS 60604



RE: 76-020-932 D-SCS-F36035-WI

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Mr. Cletus J. Gillman State Conservationist U.S. Department of Agriculture Soil Conservation Service 3610 Crawfordsville Road Atkinson Square West, Suite 2200 Indianapolis, Indiana 46224

Dear Mr. Gillman:

We have completed our review of the Draft Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) and Watershed Work Plan (WWP) for the Bailey-Cox-Newtson Watershed, Starke County, Indiana. Our review and comments were requested in your letter of February 24, 1976. Based on the information provided in the EIS and the WWP, we have reservations concerning the impacts which result from this project's implementation. Our principle reservations to the implementation of this proposal are the potential adverse water quality impacts which may result from the clearing and channelizing of the drains, the irrigation of agricultural lands and the conversion of 4100 acres of land to agricultural uses. Furthermore, we believe additional information concerning the compliance with water quality standards, the pollutional characteristics of the excavated material and the impacts upon Type 1 wetland areas should be provided. The following comments are offered for your consideration in the preparation of the Final Watershed Work Plan and Environmental Impact Statement.

Part of the project design is to retain water within portions of ditches during the summer months to provide irrigation. This impounded water will have to meet the requirements of the Indiana Water Quality Standards prior to discharge downstream. The use of impounded waters for irrigation of fields could create a dissolved solids problem. Impoundment evaporation, transpiration, leaching, and evaporation during irrigation can cause return flows to have higher levels of dissolved solids. If necessary, a monitoring program downstream of the impoundments should be established, to assure compliance with the applicable standards.

2 From our site inspection of the project, we found several areas which may have questionable pollutional discharges which should be eliminated or cleaned up prior to project implementation.

1. Newtson Ditch between structures N-2 and N-3. There is a housing development along County Road 300 E, pipe outfalls to the ditch are evident from both the front and back areas of the houses. Septic tank leachings or agricultural enrichment could reach the ditch through these pipes. 2. South Branch of Newtson Ditch where it crosses County Road 200 E. at the Starke County Airport. A feeder ditch to Newtson Ditch in this area is the most visibly polluted watercourse in the area.

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It is the practice of your agency when providing channel improvements to place the dredged material upon one of the banks. Prior to the commencement of any channel work, samples of the channel sediment should be taken to determine the characteristics of the sediments. If, after analysis, the samples are found to be polluted, this material will have to be disposed in an area which eliminates leaching of sediment back into the aquatic environment.

The EIS indicated there are 120 acres of Type 1 wetland riverward of the dike which would not be directly affected by this project. These wetlands, although they do not have a permanent water level throughout the year, still provide a valuable area service for flood control and wildlife habitat. (4) From the information on page II-37, the project will permit farming upon 4,100 acres which have been too wet to farm previously. It was further indicated, the entire area was once a wetland. The EIS should describe these 4,100 acres in greater detail, providing information on its past wetland quality and the potential for return to wetland habitat whether or not the project is implemented. The quantity of wetland areas have been seriously reduced to date and if an area can be restored or protected, the environmental benefits of such a possibility should be investigated.

The project area has a severe wind erosion problem. We realize it is the intent of the proposal to reduce wind erosion impacts through proper agricultural practices and irrigation of droughty areas. However, by making additional lands available for agricultural uses, the wind erosion problem may be aggravated. If marginal lands are to be used to obtain adequate crop yields, additional amounts of fertilizers and pesticides will be necessary. The addition of these chemicals could have adverse impacts upon water quality and air quality. Therefore, the development of additional land which could be subject to wind and water erosion should be throughly analyzed before the decision to implement the project is made.

6)A better description of the 14 islands to be placed in the drains should be provided. Since these islands will be in the drainage way, the material used for construction of the islands should be described as to their suitability and erodability. Maintenance procedures for the islands should also be discussed in greater detail.

7)Since fences will be placed to prevent livestock from entering the channels, we suggest shrub type vegetation also be used. The shrub vegetation would provide asethic improvement and avian habitat. Based upon information provided in the EIS, we have classified the project as ER (Environmental Reservations) and categorized the EIS as Category 2 (Additional Information Necessary). The date and classification of our comments will be published in the Federal Register in accordance with our responsibility to inform the public of our views on other Federal agencies projects. We appreciate the opportunity to review this Draft EIS and Watershed Work Plan. When the Final EIS and Watershed Work Plan are filed with the Council on Environmental Quality, please forward three copies to us.

Sincerely yours,

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Gary A. Williams Chief, Environmental Review Section



UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY REGION V 230 SOUTH DEARBORN ST. CHICAGO, ILLINOIS 60604



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Mr. Cletus J. Gillman State Conservationist U.S. Department of Agriculture Soil Conservation Service 5610 Crawfordsville Road Atkinson Square West, Suite 2200 Indianapolis, Indiana 46224

Dear Mr. Gillman:

In response to your letter of April 30, 1976, we have reviewed the (Draft Copy) Plan and Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for Bailey-Cox-Newtson Watershed located in Starke County, Indiana. The responses to our comments of April 23, 1976 are adequately addressed. However, we believe that further clarification of the method to relieve droughtiness should be provided in the EIS.

Thank you for responding to our comments. Your cooperation is appreciated.

Sincerely yours,

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Gary A. Williams Chief, Environmental Review Section



# LUPPER MISSISSIPPI RIVER BASIN COMMISSION FEDERAL BUILDING, ROOM 510, FORT SNELLING, TWIN CITIES, MINNESOTA 55111, PHONE: 612-725-4690 REG. OFFICE, ROOM 342 FEDERAL BLDG. -P.O., 657 2ND AVE. N., FARGO, N.D. 58102 (701) 237-5771 EXT. 5355

March 31, 1976

Mr. Cletus J. Gillman, State Conservationist Soil Conservation Service U.S. Department of Agriculture Atkinson Square West, Suite 2200 5610 Crawfordsville Road Indianapolis, Indiana 46224

Dear Mr. Gillman:

Thank you for your letter of February 24, 1976, requesting our review and comment on the Draft Plan and Environmental Impact Statement for the Bailey - Cox - Newtson Watershed in Indiana. To date, Staff limitations and work loads have prevented the Staff from reviewing documents of this nature in detail. However, a cursory review of this document indicates that the document contains a great deal of information which will be useful to the Commission as we proceed in the development of our Comprehensive, Coordinated Joint Plan for the management and conservation of the water and related land resources in the Upper Mississippi Region.

Sincerely yours,

George W. Griebenow Chairman

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DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES JOSEPH D. CLOUD DIRECTOR

April 26, 1976

Mr. Cletus J. Gillman State Conservationist US Department of Agriculture Soil Conservation Service Atkinson Square West, Suite 2200 5610 Crawfordsville Road Indianapolis, Indiana 46224

Dear Mr. Gillman:

This letter is in response to your letter of February 24, 1976, in regard to review of and comments on the Draft Plan and Environmental Impact Statement on the Bailey-Cox-Newtson Watershed.

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On Page 11-11, the plan discusses structures for water control but does not mention benefits from these structures. The plan does not discuss why these structures are proposed or what effects these structures are to produce. If the benefits are included in the report, they are not shown in such a way that they can be recognized. If the benefits are classified as irrigation, we can see a need for an additional map showing the area to be benefited from irrigation.

The benefited area shown on the project map which lies north of Bailey Ditch and between the proposed dike and Kankakee River should be changed from benefited to a different land use since this area is subject to constant flooding.

3 Exhibit 5C which shows the spawning area is very confusing. The symbols may be improperly used. Is there a dike on the south side of the spawning area? If so, why is it needed and what will be the effect on flood flows along the Kankakee River? The plan doesn't present any data on the dike.

Will the old spoil bank on the east side of the Kankakee River be removed?

The profile on the Bailey, Cox and Newtson Ditches show water surface elevations with and without the pumps discharging. It is noted that these two profiles never come together. We question whether the effects of the pumps would effect the profile that much. 6 It is almost impossible to make any technical review of the plan with the information presented. Damages and benefits are only presented for the entire watershed and not by reaches. The plan does not state what level of flood protection is proposed. Table 3 presents some design discharge flows, but no information as to what frequency these discharges represent. No information is presented on the height of levee along the Kankakee River or what degree of protection is provided from flooding from the Kankakee River. The plan states that the proposed project is compatible with the Kankakee River Basin Study. This cannot be determined from the plan, particularly in regards to the height of the levee along the Kankakee River. Bable 8D, shows that some of the scientific names for several species of fish have

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9 It is noted that there are four significant archaeological sites identified in this project; but if any archaeological sites are discovered during construction, they should be reported to this office.

If we can be of further assistance, please advise.

Sincerely, Cloud D.

Director Department of Natural Resources

JDC/CCM/adf

Indiana State Clearinghouse State Budget Agency 212 State House Indianapolis, Indiana 46204 Clearinghouse Use Only St. Identification No. 76021250175 Date Received 2-27-76 Review Terminated

3-31-76

#### AUTHORIZATION TO FILE APPLICATION

TO:\_\_\_\_\_\_Mr. Cletus J. Gillman

State Conservationist

PROJECT: \_\_\_\_\_ Bailey-Cox-Newton Watershed - Starke County

DOA-SCS

Federal Program Title; Agency and FDA Catalog No.

Amount of Funds Requested

The State Clearinghouse has reviewed the summary notification pertaining to the above project. With regard to the summary notification, the Clearinghouse makes the following disposition concerning this application:

The proposed project is in accord with State plans, goals, and objectives at this time.

Refer to the attached comments.

You may now complete and file your formal application with the appropriate Federal Agency. This form, with comments if any, is to be attached to that application, and the lower portion of this form is to be completed by you, detached, and returned to the State Clearinghouse when the formal application is submitted.

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State Clearinghouse Reviewer		March 31, 1976	
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The formal application for	Baley-Cox-Newton Wate	ershed-Starke Co.	was submitted to the
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Federal Agency	Date		Name of Applicant



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### INDIANAPOLIS

Address Reply to: Indiana State Board of Health 1330 West Michigan Street Indianapolis, IN 46206

April 12, 1976

Mr. Cletus J. Gillman United States Department of Agruculture Soil Conservation Service 5610 Crawfordsville Road Suite 2200 Indianapolis, IN 46224

Dear Mr. Gillman:

#### Re: Environmental Impact Assessments

Recently, you have sent to this Division several Environmental Impact Assessments for watershed projects in the State of Indiana After reviewing these projects, we have the following comments to make:

- 1. That the generation of dust during construction must be kept to a minimum. This may be achieved by the use of water sprays or other methods.
- 2. That no open burning is allowed in the State of Indiana without the written permission of the Indiana Air Pollution Control Board.

If the above comments are followed, the watershed projects will be consistent with the Indiana Plan of Implementation. Furthermore, if future projects are proposed that are similar to the projects we have thus far reviewed, it will not be necessary for this agency to review them.

I am enclosing a copy of our regulations APC 2 and APC 20 which cover open burning and fugitive dust. If we can be of any further assistance, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Very truly yours,

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Harry D. Williams, Director Air Pollution Control Division

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## •Kankakee-Iroquois •Regional Planning Commission

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RONALD R. FLETCHER

April 23, 1976

Mr. Cletus J. Gillman State Conservationist U.S.D.A., S.C.S. 5610 Crawfordsville Road Atkinson Square West, Suite 2200 Indianapolis, IN 46224

Mr. Gillman:

Please accept the enclosed comments from this agency in regards to the "Bailey-Cox-Newtson Water-shed Project".

Thank you and have a fine day!

Sincerely,

Angel. Dupper

Jeffrey L. Tupper Regional Planner

JLT/rm

Comments on Draft Watershed Plan and Environmental Impact Statement, Bailey-Cox-Newtson Watershed.

It is evident that the projects proposed for the Bailey-Cox-Newtson Watershed in regards to flood protection are needed to increase agricultural production and retain public and private investment in buildings and structures. A field trip was made to the watershed approximately one week after a mild rain event. The extent of land "under water" both as standing water and debris lines on roads and fences could be observed from about 1 mile East of Brems to the mouth of the Bailey.

The remainder of the project goals dealing with drainage, soil erosion, forestland and other land treatment and structural measures are adequately assessed as to potential beneficial and adverse impacts. Encouragement of the projects completion ranks high amongst this agency and those individuals who have worked long and hard on the project.

There are several questions which should be answered concerning the B-C-N project in relation to other existing and potential projects.

- (1) What essentially will be the effect of the B-C-N on possible project proposals of the Kankakee River Basin Study? Albeit, the question asked would be hard to answer given the fact no firm proposal has come out the years of study on the Kankakee, a cursory assessment would be in order. This could be in relation to channel work (widening and deepening) and levee work. This would expand on the statement on page II-45
- (2.) An indication of sites of same archaeological significance was identified by the "<u>Archaeological</u> <u>Investigation and Report of the Bailey-Cox-Newtson:</u> Indiana Historical Society, May 1975. One agency of review in relation to archaeological sites is missing, which is the Glen A. Black Laboratory of Archaeology at Indiana University.

A point could be made that given the Indiana Historical Societies review and interest on the part of the Conservancy District and other Starke County individuals selection of one of the four sites could be scientifically investigated by trained individuals. Any significant findings could be displayed locally as an education tool about the areas prehistoric past. The idea here would be to derive both an historical benefit from the project in conjunction with the project measures.

Are there funds through the PL566 program which could be used to implement such an investigation given cooperator and district interest?

(3.) From conversations with individuals in the area one of the mandates of the S.C.S. and S.W.D.D's has been overlooked to a certain degree in the watershed project, and that is education of people, both farmers and non-farmers, as to good land practices. I am sure the people involved in the B-C-N will do their utmost to educate individuals as to their purposes, problems and solutions to the areas features. But it would seem that something a bit more permanent and scheduled could be implemented as mentioned on page I-31 in relation to a park. I do not believe the B-C-N should turn into a park or even operate or maintain a small park due to cost, time and manpower. But, I do believe a small permanent structure could be established to house educational material, maps, diagrams and progress maps concerning the B-C-N and treatment problems and measures in general. Scheduled use of this structure on a reservation basis, for schools, civic groups and interested parties could be implemented. Even an existing structure could be used.

Has much thought been put to furthering the educational potential of the project? The project could be used as an example for other landowners and farmers from surrounding areas in implementing sould and productive treatment measures.

In closing, the implementation of the Bailey-Cox-Newtson Watershed project will add a "feather-in-the-cap" of Starke county and watershed residents as a prime example of cooperation to solve mutual problems.

Thank you for considering these comments.

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#### DEFINITION OF CONSERVATION PRACTICES AND LAND USE

#### CONSERVATION PRACTICES

#### CONSERVATION CROPPING SYSTEM

Growing crops in combination with needed cultural and management measures. Cropping systems include rotations that contain grasses and legumes as well as rotations in which the desired benefits are achieved without the use of such crops.

CROP RESIDUE USE

Using plant residues to protect cultivated fields during critical erosion periods.

#### CRITICAL AREA PLANTING

Stabilizing sediment producing and severely eroded areas by establishing vegetative cover. This includes woody plants, such as trees, shrubs or vines, and adapted grasses or legumes established by seeding or sodding to provide longterm ground cover. (Does not include tree planting mainly for the production of wood products.)

#### DRAINAGE FIELD DITCHES

A shallow graded ditch for collecting water within field, usually constructed with flat side slopes for ease of crossing. (This does not include drainage main or lateral, or grassed waterway or outlet.)

#### DRAINAGE MAIN OR LATERAL

An open drainage ditch constructed to a designed size and grade. Does not include drainage field ditch.

#### FIELD BORDER

A border or strip of perennial vegetation established at the edge of a field by planting or by converting it from trees to herbaceous vegetation or shrubs.

#### FIELD WINDBREAK

A strip or belt of trees or shrubs established within or adjacent to a field.

#### EXHIBIT 1--cont'd

#### GRADE STABILIZATION STRUCTURE

A structure to stabilize the grade or to control head cutting in natural or artificial channels. (Does not include structures used in drainage and irrigation systems primarily for water control.)

#### HEDGEROW PLANTING

Establishing a hedgerow or living fence of shrubs or trees within, across, or around a field.

#### LIVESTOCK EXCLUSION

Excluding livestock from an area where grazing is not wanted.

#### MINIMUM TILLAGE

Limiting the number of cultural operations to those that are properly timed and essential to produce a crop and prevent soil damage.

#### PASTURE AND HAYLAND MANAGEMENT

Proper treatment and use of pastureland or hayland.

#### PASTURE AND HAYLAND PLANTING

Establishing and re-establishing long-term stands of adapted species of perennial, biennial or reseeding forage plants. (Includes pasture and hayland renovation. Does not include grassed waterway or outlet on cropland.)

#### POND

A water impoundment made by constructing a dam or embankment, or by excavating a pit or "dugout."

#### STRIPCROPPING, WIND

Growing wind-resisting crops in strips alternating with row crops or fallow and arranged at angles to offset adverse wind effects. (Includes any herbaceous vegetative wind barrier that reduces wind velocities of both the leeward and windward, but predominantly the leeward flow of air across a land surface.)

#### SUBSURFACE DRAIN

A conduit, such as tile, pipe, or tubing, installed beneath the ground surface and which collects and/or conveys drainage water.

TREE PLANTING

Planting tree seedlings or cuttings.

WILDLIFE UPLAND HABITAT MANAGEMENT

Retaining, creating or managing wildlife habitat other than wetland.

WILDLIFE WETLAND HABITAT MANAGEMENT

Retaining, creating, or managing wetland for wildlife.

WOODLAND IMPROVEMENT

Improving woodland by removing unmerchantable or unwanted trees, shrubs, or vines.

#### LAND USE

#### CROPLAND

Cropland includes all cultivated land used for field crops or hay in pasture or rotation; cropland temporarily idle or diverted from production under government programs; permanent hayland, orchards, vinevards and bush fruits; and open land from cropped and not converted to another use.

#### FOREST OR WOODLAND

Forest or woodland includes land that is at least 10% stocked with forest trees and capable of producing forest products or influencing a water regime, land that formerly grew trees and is not currently developed for non-forest use, and land that has been planted to trees.

#### OTHER LAND

Other land is non-federal rural land which is not classified as cropland, pasture or forest land. It includes strip mines, borrow and gravel pits, farmsteads, farm roads, ditches, rural non-farm residences, and idle, open rural non-farm land. EXHIBIT 1--cont'd

#### PASTURE

Pasture includes lands producing forage plants, principally introduced species, primarily for grazing and not included in cropland rotation; includes native pasture and may contain shade or timber trees if canopy is less than 10%.

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## PROBLEMS ....



Wind erosion causes soil loss, sand deposits, and crop damage. It can be reduced by . . . . .



Backwater flooding delays spring planting and destroys standing crops. It can be prevented by . . . .

## ... SOLUTIONS



...use of windbreaks and crop residues to intercept wind and "nail" soils down.



...installing levees and large lift pumps to hold back river flooding while pumping.

PROBLEMS. . .



Heavy brush inhibits flow, builds drift piles that cause side-cutting. See Exmibit 0



Sediment restricts flow and causes downstream damage. See Exhibit 3.



Provisions for adequate flow and reduction of sediment, as well as wildlife food and cover, are available in one-side construction. Berms and slopes are seeded, and woody growth is planted in protected areas.

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TYPICAL CHANNEL CROSS-SECTION - SELECTIVE CLEARING Cox Ditch (594+50 to 723+00)

Cox Ditch (594+50 to 723+00) Cox Ditch (853+50 to 909+50) Newtson Ditch (627+00 to 822+50) EXHIBIT 4A





EXHIBIT 4C



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TYPICAL STRUCTURE FOR WATER CONTROL MADE FROM CORRUGATED METAL AND WOOD STOPLOGS. THE INLET AND OUTLET AREAS WILL BE RIP-RAPPED TO PREVENT EROSION.



TYPICAL STRUCTURE FOR WATER CONTROL MADE FROM CONCRETE AND WOOD STOPLOGS. THE AREAS UPSTREAM AND DOWNSTREAM OF THE STRUCTURE WILL BE RIP-RAPPED TO PREVENT EROSION.



TYPICAL DIKE SECTION

EXHIBIT 5D-1

SPAWNING AREA PLAN VIEW DIKE PUMP STATION - SPAWN CHANNEL BAILEY CHANNEL TOTAL SPAWNING AREA 14 ACS. SPAWNING AREA DIKE EXISTING SPOIL BANK KANKAKEE RIVER



TYPICAL SPAWNING AREA SECTIONS

EXHIBIT 5D-2

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BAILEY-COX-NEWTSON WATERSHED

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RECREA	CAMPING AND PICNIC AREAS	Severe: 3 Severe: 3	Moderate:3,6 Severe: 3 Moderate:6	Severe: 3 Severe: 3	Adverse soil tex
CE OF 6/	ROADFILL	Poor Poor	Poor Poor Good	Poor Poor	ability 6.
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SUTTARI	SAND	Fair Fair	Fair Fair Good	Unsuited Unsuited	Lood hazard
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SAT, J./	SEWAGE LAGOONS	Severe: 3,7 Severe: 3,7	Severe: 7 Severe: 3,7 Severe: 7	Severe: 3 Slight	al high water
WASTE DISPC	SEPTIC TANK ABSORPTION FIELDS	Severe: 3 Severe: 3	Severe: 3 Severe: 3 Moderate:3	Severe:3,2 Severe:3,2	ility 3. Season
15 3/	MITHOUT BASEMENTS	Severe: 3 Severe: 3	Moderate:3 Severe: 3 Slight	Severe: 3 Severe:3,5	Slow permeab
T.T.Tanio	WLTH BASEMENTS	Severe: 3 Severe: 3	Severe: 3 Severe: 3 Moderate:3	Severe: 3 Severe:3,5	1. Slope 2.
	SOIL SERIES 2/	Maumee Gilford	Morocco Maumee Brems	Rensselae <b>r</b> Milford	SIBLE SOIL LIMITATIONS:
COTT ACCHT 1/	& % OF WATERSHED	1 6 <i>8%</i>	2 31%	3 1%	KEY TO POS

Each soil association is named for the major soils. Soil Association: The numbers in this column correspond with the numbered soil associations on the General Soil Map of the watershed. The percent of each soil association in the watershed is shown. Soil Association: 1

This column shows the name of each major soil in each association Soil Series: N

# 3

Excluded are buildings of With Basements: Ratings are for undisturbed soils that are evaluated for single family dwellings and other structures with similar foundation requirements. Excluded are more than three stories and other buildings with foundation loads in excess of those equal bo three story dwellings. No specific bearing strength is estimated or implied. Dwellings With Basements:

The same qualifications as given above for dwellings--with basements apply here except that seasonal high water tables are not as restrictive. Without Basements:

# Waste Disposal 7

Septic Tark Absorption Fields: Ratings are for shallow, subsurface tile absorption fields and do not include alternative systems.

Local Roads, Streets, & Parking Areas: Ratings are for improved roads and streets having some kind of all-weather surfacing, commonly asphalt or concrete, and are expected to carry automobile traffic all year. 5

# Suitability As A Source Of 6

"Poor" indicates "Fair" indicates aand with some fine material. Soil rated "good" contains a source of clean sand. fine material costly to remove. "Unsuited" indicates sand is not available. Sand: This column provides guidance about where to look for sand.

The explanation of the ratings for sand" (above) apply also 'to "gravel" Gravel: The purpose of this column is to provide guidance about where to look for gravel. Roadfill: Refers to soil material moved from its original location and used in road construction. Generally it serves as the subgrade or foundation for the road. The whole soil, to a depth of six feet, is given one rating, assuming it will be mixed in handling.

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Recreation Camp and Ficnic Areas: Ratings apply to soils to be used intensively for tents and small camp trailers and the accompanying activities of outdoor living and for park-type picnic areas.

Playgrounds and Athletic Fields: Ratings apply to soils to be used intensively for playgrounds for baseball, football, volleyball and other similar organized games. These areas are subject to intensive foot traffic.

Intensive Cropping: The ratings are based on the potential productivity of soils to produce sustained corn yields under high levela of management. 2

Woodland Productivity: The ratings are based on the potential productivity of soils for their primary adapted species. 6



### EXHIBIT 6B

### GENERAL SOIL INFORMATION

The General Soil Map (Exhibit 6C) of the Bailey-Cox-Newtson Watershed shows three main patterns of soils called soil associations. Each association contains a few major soils and several minor soils and is named for the major soils. The soils in one association may be in another, but in a different pattern.

The General Soil Map is useful to people who want a general idea of the soils, who want to compare different parts of the watershed, or who want to know the location of large tracts that are suitable for a certain kind of farm or nonfarm land use. Such a map is not suitable for planning the management of a farm or field or for selecting the exact location of a road, building, or similar structure because the soils in any one association ordinarily differ in slope, depth, drainage, or other characteristics that affect management.

Detailed soil maps and information on soils and specific uses are available for much of the area encompassed by the watershed. This information is available in the field office of the Soil Conservation Service in Starke County.

## SOIL INTERPRETATIONS

The interpretive table (Exhibit 6B) provides soil interpretations for 12 specific uses for each of the 3 soil associations shown on the General Soil Map of the Bailey-Cox-Newtson Watershed. The approximate percent of each association in the watershed is given. Estimated limitations or suitability for each of the named soils for each of the 12 uses is given in terms of slight, moderate, or severe limitations or good, fair, poor or unsuited suitability. Beside each of the ratings, the limiting soil properties or features are given by listing one or more numbers. These numbers correspond with those listed in the "Key to Principal Soil Limitations," at the bottom of the table. Soils rated as slight are estimated to have no principal soil limitations and are not referenced to the key.

### SOIL LIMITATION CLASSES

Soils rated as "slight" have few or no limitations for the use. Soils rated as "moderate" have limitations which reduce to some degree their desirability when used for the purpose being considered. They require some corrective measures. Soils rated as "severe" have unfavorable soil characteristics that severely restrict their use and desirability for the purpose. A severe rating does not mean the soil cannot be used for a specific use. It does indicate problems during or after application. Special design, engineering or other corrective measures are needed to overcome the limitations. Costs are usually greater than on soils rated slight or moderate, and many times costs are prohibitive.

## SOIL SUITABILITY RATING

"Good," "fair," "poor," and "unsuited" are terms used to rate soils as a source of sand, gravel, and roadfill. Soils rated as "good" have qualities such that they can be considered as a suitable resource material. Soils rated "fair" have some problems in the material that make them less desirable. Soils rated as "poor" have problems that greatly limit their suitability as a source. Soils rated as "unsuited" are physically unfit, or it is not practical to process the material.

Where used for "intensive cropping," "good" indicates soils are capable of producing sustained corn yields of 110 to 155 bushels or corn per acre under high levels of management. "Fair" indicates soils that will produce 70 to 110 bushels of corn and "poor" indicates those soils that will produce less than 70 bushels of corn per acre.

Where used for "woodland productivity," "good" indicates soils are capable of producing greater than 335 board feet per acre per year for adapted tree species. "Fair" indicates soils that will produce 260 to 335 feet and "poor" indicates those soils that will produce less than 260 board feet per acre per year.



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## DESCRIPTIONS OF SOIL ASSOCIATIONS ON THE GENERAL SOIL MAP

The General Soil Map shows three soil associations in the watershed. A soil association is a landscape that has a distinctive proportional pattern of soils. It normally consists of one or more major soil and at least one minor soil, and it is named for the major soil. The soils in one association may occur in another, but in a different pattern.

A description of each soil association on the General Soil map follows:

1. Maumee-Gilford association: Deep, very poorly drained, coarse or moderately coarse textured, nearly level soils on lake plains.

This association is on nearly level lake plains or outwash plains throughout the watershed, and makes up 68 percent of the total area. The dominant soil in the association is Maumee. Gilford soils are of about the same extent and the remaining is less extensive soils.

Maumee soils are deep, nearly level and very poorly drained. They formed in sandy glacial water laid materials. Their surface layer typically is black, loamy fine sand about 16 inches thick. The subsoil is about 23 inches thick. The upper 5 inches is mottled black, very friable, loamy fine sand and the lower 18 inches is mottled light brownish gray, loose, fine sand. Below this to a depth of 60 inches the underlying material is light brownish gray, fine sand. Below a depth of 4 feet, loamy material may be present.

Gilford soils are deep, nearly level and very poorly drained. They formed in moderately coarse textured outwash materials. Typically the surface layer is black, fine, sandy loam about 22 inches thick. The subsoil about 16 inches thick, is mottled dark gray, friable sandy loam. Between 38 and 50 inches the underlying material is light brownish gray, loose medium sand, and below this for a depth of 60 inches is brownish yellow and yellowish brown fine and medium sand. At this depth loamy material may also be present.

There are moderately sloping to steep ridges of sand in this association that were deposited by wind action. The dominant soil on such small areas is Plainfield fine sand.

2. Morocco-Maumee-Brems association: Deep, very poorly drained to moderately well drained, coarse textured, nearly level and gently sloping soils on outwash plains. This association is on nearly level and gently sloping outwash plains in the south central and eastern part of the watershed, and makes up 31 percent of the total area. The major soils are listed in accordance to their extent. Less extensive soils are also present in the association.

Morocco soils are deep, nearly level and somewhat poorly drained. They formed in strongly acid to very acid sand. Their surface layer typically is dark grayish brown loamy fine sand about 8 inches thick. The subsurface layer is mottled pale brown sand about 6 inches thick. The subsoil is about 16 inches thick. The upper 5 inches is mottled pale brown, gray, and reddish yellow, loose, fine sand and the lower 11 inches is mottled reddish yellow, gray and red, loose fine sand. Between 30 and 48 inches the underlying material is mottled, very pale yellow fine sand. Below this to a depth of 60 inches the underlying material is light gray, loose sand.

Maumee soils are deep, nearly level and very poorly drained. They formed in sandy glacial water laid materials. Their surface layer typically is black, loamy fine sand about 16 inches thick. The subsoil is about 23 inches thick. The upper 5 inches is mottled black, very friable, loamy fine sand and the lower 18 inches is mottled light brownish gray, loose, fine sand. Below this to a depth of 60 inches the underlying material is light brownish gray, fine sand. Below a depth of  $l_1$  feet loamy material may be present.

Brems soils are deep, nearly level and gently sloping and moderately well drained. They formed in strongly acid to extremely acid sandy material that has been reworked by wind. Their surface layer is typically very dark gray fine sand about 5 inches thick. The subsoil is about 31 inches thick. The upper 16 inches is yellowish brown, loose fine sand. Between 36 and 50 inches the underlying material is mottled very pale brown fine sand. Below this to a depth of 60 inches the underlying material is mottled light gray fine sand.

There are numerous moderately sloping to steep ridges if sand that were deposited by wind action. Plainfield soils are dominant on such small areas.

3. Rensselaer-Milford association: Deep, poorly drained and very poorly drained, medium and moderately fine textured, nearly level soils, on lake plains.

This association is in the extreme western part of the watershed and makes up about 1 percent of the association. The major soil is Rensselear and the less dominant soil is the Milford. There are a few less extensive soils. Rensselaer soils are deep, nearly level and very poorly drained. They formed in moderately fine textured lacustrine deposits. Their surface layer typically is black loam in the upper 10 inches and black, light clay loam in the lower  $l_i$  inches. The subsoil is 28 inches thick. In sequence from the top the upper 13 inches is mottled dark grayish brown firm clay loam.

The next 8 inches is mottled olive gray, firm clay loam, and the lower 7 inches is mottled gray, firm clay loam. The underlying material between 42 and 48 inches is mottled gray, silty clay loam. Below this to a depth of 60 inches, the underlying material is mottled gray, yellowish brown, and grayish brown interbedded fine sand and silt.

Milford soils are deep, nearly level and poorly drained or very poorly drained. They formed in moderately fine textured and fine textured lacustrine deposits. Typically their surface layer is black, silty clay loam in the upper 9 inches and mottled very dark gray, silty clay loam in the lower 8 inches. The subsoil is about 20 inches thick. The upper 6 inches is mottled dark gray, firm, light silty clay, and the lower 16 inches is mottled gray, firm silty clay. Below this to a depth of 60 inches the underlying material is mottled gray silty clay loam.

There are a few small areas of soils developed in alluvial material near the Kankakee River.

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## BIRDS IN BAILEY-COX-NEWTSON WATERSHED AND VICINITY

Species	Migrant or Resident	Habitat Preference	Occurrence in Area
LOONS Common Loon Gavia immer	M*	Large Lake	Rarely
Red-throated Loon Gavia stellata	M	Lakes	Rarelv
GERBES Horned Gerbe Colymbus auritus	Μ	Ponds & Lakes	Parely
Pied-billed Gerbe Podilymbus podiceps	R&M**	Ponds & Marshes	Common M, Uncommon
Double-crested Cormo Phalacrocorax auritu	orant Is M	Large Lakes & Rivers	Rarely
HERONS Great Blue Heron Ardea herodies	SR&M***	Any Shallow Water	Common
Green Heron Butorides virescens virescens	SR&M	Anv Shallow Water	Common
Little Blue Heron Florida caerulea caerulea	Μ	Wet Fields	Uncommon
Cattle Egret Bubuleus ibis	SR	Pasture Areas	Uncommon
American Egret <u>Casmerodius albus</u> egretta	SR&M	Anv Shallow Water	Occasionall
Black-crowned Night Heron <u>Nycticorax</u> nycticorax hoactli	M	Ponds & Marshes	Uncommon
Yellow-crowned Nigh Heron Nyctanassa violacca	t M	Marshes	Uncommon
* MMigrant ** R&MResident & M	igrant		

\*\*\* SR&M--Summer Resident & Migrant

# EXHIBIT 8A--cont'd

Species	Migrant or Resident	Habitat Preference	Occurrence in_Area
BITTERNS Least Bittern <u>Ixobrychus exilis</u> exilis	SR&M	Cattail Marshes	Common M, Uncommon SR
American Bittern Botarus lentiginosus	SR&M	Marshes	Common M, Uncommon SR
SWANS Mute Swan Cygnus olor	M	Ponds & Lakes	Barely
Whistling Swan Cygnus columbionus	Μ	Ponds & Lakes	Rarely
GEESE Canada Goose Branta canadensis	SR&M	All Water & Fields	Common M, Uncommon SR
White-fronted Goose Anser albifrons	М	All Water & Fields	Occasional
Snow Goose Chen hyperborea	М	All Water & Fields	Occasional
Blue Goose Chen caerulescens	М	All Water & Fields	Common
DUCKS Mallard Anas platyrhynchos	R&M	All Water	Common
Black Duck Anas rubripes	WR&M*	All Water	Common
Gadwall Anas strepera	M	All Water	Common
Pintail Anas acuta tzitzihoa	M	All water	Common
Green-winged Teal Anas carolinensis	М	All Water	Common

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\* WR&M--Winter Resident & Migrant

Species	Migrant or Resident	Habitat Preference	Occurrence in Area
Blue-winged Teal Anas discors	SR&M	All Water	Common
American Widgeon Mareca americana	M	All Water	Common
Shoveler Spatula clypeata	Μ	All Water	Common
Wood Duck Aix sponsa	SR&M	All Water, Near Woods Preferred	Common
Redhead Aythya americana	Μ	All Water, Open Areas Preferred	Common
Ring-necked Duck Aythya collaris	м	All Water	Common
Canvasback Aythya valisineria	М	All Water, Open Areas Preferred	Common
Greater Scaup Aythya marila neartica	М	All Water, Open Areas Preferred	Uncommon
Lesser Scaup Aythya affinis	Μ	All Water, Open Areas Preferred	Common
Common Goldeneye Glaucionetta america	na WR&M	All Water, Open Areas Preferred	Common
Borrow's Goldeneye Glaucionetta islandi	<u>ca</u> M	All Water, Open Areas Preferred	Uncommon
Bufflehead Glaucionetta albeola	M	All Water, Open Areas Preferred	Common
Ruddy Duck Erismatura jamaicens rubida	<u>is</u> M	All Water, Open Areas Preferred	Uncommon
Hooded Merganser Lophodytes cucullatu	<u>s</u> SR&M	All Water, Near Woods Preferred	Rare, SR, Common M
American Merganser Mergus merganser americanus	М	All Water, Open Areas Preferred	Common

## EXHIBIT 8A--cont'd

Species	Migrant or Resident	Habitat Preference	Occurrence in_Area
Red-breasted Merganser Mergus serrator	Μ	All Water, Open Areas Preferred	Common
VULTURES Turkey Vulture <u>Cathartes aura</u>	R	All Areas, Some Woods Preferred	Common
Black Vulture Coragyps atratus	SR	All Areas, Some Woods Preferred	Uncommon
HAWKS & EAGLES Goshawk <u>Accipters gentilis</u> otricapillus	М	Forested Areas, Especially Coniferous	Rarely
Sharp-shinned Hawk <u>Accipiter striatus</u> velox	R	Wooded Areas	Common
Cooper's Hawk Accipiter cooperii	R	Wooded Areas	Uncommon
Red-tailed Hawk. Buteo jamaicensis	R	Open Woods and Marshes	Common
Red-shouldered Hawk Buteo lineatus	R	Open Woods	Common
Broad-winged Hawk Buteo platypterus platypterus	SR	Deciduous Woods	Uncommon
Rough-legged Hawk Buteo lagopus	WR	Open Areas	Occasional
Golden Eagle <u>Aquilachrysaetos</u> canadensis	М	Wooded Areas	Rarely
Bald Eagle Haliaeetus leucocephalus	М	Wooded Areas Near Water	Rarely

Number of Street

	Species	Migrant or Resident	Habitat Preference	Occurrence in Area
	Marsh Hawk <u>Circus cyaneus</u> hudsonius	R&M	Marshes, Fields	Common
	Osprey <u>Pandion haliaetus</u> carolinensis	M	Near Water	Occasional
	Peregrine Falcon Falco peregrinus an	a <u>tum</u> M	Cliffs, High Buildings	Rarely
	Pigeon Hawk or Merl Falco columbarius columbarius	in M	Woodlands	Rarely
	Sparrow Hawk or American Kestrel Falco sparverius	R&M	Open Areas	Very Common
JI	PLAND GAME BIRDS Bobwhite Colinus virginianus	R	Brushlands	Common
	Ring-necked pheasan Phasianus colchicus torquatus	t R	Brushy Edges in Farm	Common
	Gray Partridge Perdix Perdix Perdi	<u>×</u> R	Fields & Brushy Edges	Rarely
	RANE Sandhill Crane Grus canadensis	М	Marshes and Open Areas	Occasional
R/	AILS King Rail <u>Rallus elegans eleg</u>	ansSR&M	Marshes	Common
	Virginia Rail <u>Rallus limicola</u> linicola	SR&M	Marshes	Common
	Sora Porzana carolina	SR&M	Marshes	Common

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## EXHIBIT 8A--cont'd

	Species	Migrant or Resident	Habitat Preference	Occurrence in Area
	Yellow Rail <u>Coturnicops novebora</u> censis noveboracensi	- sM	Wet Meadows	Uncommon
	Black Rail <u>Laterallus</u> jamaicensis pygmaeus	M	Grassy Edges of Marshes	Rarely
	Florida Gallinule Gallinula chloropus cachinnans	SR&M	Marshes	Common
	Coot Fulica americana	SR&M	All Water	Common
2	OVER Simipalmated Plover <u>Charadrius hiaticula</u> <u>semipalmatus</u>	M	Wet Fields	Uncommon
	Killdeer Charadrius vociferus Vociferus	R&M	Fields, Open Areas Often Near Water	Common
	Am. Golden Plover Pluvialis dominica dominica	Μ	Marshes & Fields	Uncommon
	Black-bellied Plover Squatarola squatarol	<u>a</u> M	Wet Meadows, Fields and Marshes	Uncommon
мЮ	OODCOCK, SNIPE & SAND American Woodcock Philohela minor	PIPER SR&M	Swamps, Wet Woods, and Thickets	Common
	(Wilson's) Common Sn <u>Capela gallinago</u> delicata	ipe M	Meadows and Marshes	Common
	Upland Plover Bartramia longicauda	SR&M	Pastures & Prairies	Occasional
	Spotted Sandpiper Actitis macularia	SR&M	Water Edges	Common

Species	Migrant or _Resident	Habitat Preference	Occurrence in Area
Solitary Sandpiper <u>Tringa solitaria</u>	м		
solitaria	Μ	Water Edges	Uncommon
Greater Yellowlegs Totanus Melanoleucus	<u>5</u> M	Marshes & Shallow Water Areas	Common
Lesser Yellowlegs Totanus flavipes	М	Marshes & Shallow Water Areas	Common
Pectoral Sandpiper Erolia melanotos	Μ	Grassy Marshes	Uncommon
Baird's Sandpiper Erolia bairdii	М	Grassy Areas & Shore Lines	Uncommon
Least Sandpiper Erolia minutilla	М	Wet Fields	Uncommon
Dunlin (Red-backed)			
Erolia alpina pacifi	ca M -	Water Edges	Uncommon
Short-billed Dowitch Limnodromus griseus	ner M	Marshes, Water	Uncommon
Simipalmated Sandpip Ereunetes pusillus	M	Water Edges	Uncommon
Hudsonian Godwit Limosa haemastica	М	Marshes, Wet Fields & Water Edges	Uncommon
Sanderling Crocethia alba	Μ	Water Edges	Occasional
Wilson's Phalarope Stegaropus tricolor	SR	Shallow Water Areas	Rarely
Northern Phalarope Lobipes lobatus	Μ	Ponds & Lakes	Rarely

Species	Migrant or Resident	Habitat Preference	Occurrence in Area
GULLS Herring Gull Larus argentatus	R&M	Open Water Areas	Common
Ring-billed Gull Larus delawarensis	R&M	Open Water Areas	Common
Bonaparte's Gull Larus philadelphia	Μ	Open Areas, Often Near Large Streams	Uncommon
TRENS Common Tren <u>Sterna hirundo</u> hirundo	М	Open Water Areas	Common
Black Tren Chlidonias nigra surinamensis	Μ	Marshes, Shallow Water Areas	Common
DOVES Rock Dove Columba livia	R	Buildings	Common
Mourning Dove Zenaidura macroura	R&M	Open Woodlands & Farmlands	Common
CUCKOOS Yellow-billed Cucko Coccyzus americanus americanus	SR&M	Second Growth Woods and Thickets	Common
Black-billed Cuckoo <u>Coccyzus</u> erythrophtalmus	SR&M	Second Growth Woods & Thickets	Common
OWLS Barn Owl <u>Tyto alba</u> pratincola	R	Wood Edges & Farmlands	Uncommon
Screech Owl Otus asio	R	Open Woods	Common
Great Horned Owl Bubo virginianus	R	Deep Woods	Common

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	Species	Migrant or Resident	Habitat Preference	Nccurrence in Area
Sno Nyc	wy Owl tea scandiac	M	Marshes & Farmlands	Rarely
Bar Str	red Owl ix viria	R	Moist Woods	Common
Lon Asi	g-eared Owl o otus wilsonianu	<u>s</u> WR	Evergreens or Mixed Woodlands	Common
Sho Asi	rt-eared Owl o flammeus flamme	us	Marshes, Meadows, and Open Areas	Common
Saw Aeg aca	-whet Owl olius acadica dica	SR	Evergreens & Swamps	Rarely
Whip- Cap	poor-will rimulgus vociferu	<u>s</u> SR&M	Woods Near Fields	Common
Night Cho	hawk rdeiles minor	SR&M	Open Areas	Common
Chimm <u>Cha</u>	ney Swift etura pelagica	SR&M	Open Areas Near Buildings	Common
Ruby- Arc	throated Hummingb hilochus colubris	ird SR&M	Gardens & Areas with Wild Flowers	Common
Belte Meg alc	d Kingfisher <u>aceryle alcyon</u> yon_	SR&M	Water Edges	Common
000DP Ye1 <u>Co1</u>	ECKERS low-shafted Flick aptes auratus	er SR&M	Wood Edges & Open Woods	Common
Red Cen	-bellied Woodpeck turus carolinus	er R	Woods, Edges & Swamps	Common
Red Mel ery	-headed Woodpecke anerpes throcephalus	er R	Open Woods & Farmlands	Common
Yel Sph var	low-bellied Sapsu <u>yrapicus</u> ius varius	ucker WR	Wooded Areas	Common
Hai Den vil	ry Woodpecker drocopus losus	R	Wooded Areas	Common

Species	Migrant or Resident	Habitat Preference	Occurrence in Area
Downy Woodpecker Dendrocopus pubescens	R	Open Woods & Edges	Common
ELYCATCHERS Eastern Kingbird Tyrannus tyrannus	SR&M	Farms, Meadows, & Water Edges	Common
Great Crested Flyca Myiarchus crinitus	tcher SR&M	Wooded Areas	Uncommon
Eastern Phobe Sayornis phoebe	SR&M	Farmlands & Stream Edges	Common
Yellow-bellied Flyc Empidonax flavivent	atcher ris	Stream Edges	Uncommon
Acadian Flycatcher Empidonax virescens	SR&M	Woodlands	Uncommon
Traill's Flycatcher <u>Empidonax traillii</u> traillii	М	Dry Uplands	Uncommon
Least Flycatcher Empidonax minimus	М	Stream Edges & Farmlands	Common
Eastern Wood Pewee Contopus virens	SR&M	Pine Woods & Shade Trees	Common
Olive-sided Flycatc Nuttallornis boreal	her <u>is</u> M	Woods Near Water	Occasional
Horned Lark Eremophila alpestri	<u>s</u> R	Open Areas and Marshes	Common
SWALLOWS Tree Swallow Iridoprocne bicolor	SR&M	Open Areas Near Water	Common
Bank Swallow <u>Riparia riparia</u> riparia	SR&M	Meadows, Ponds, & Banks	Uncommon
Rough-winged Swallo Stelgidopteryx rufi serripennis	w <u>collis</u> SR&M	Open Areas Near Water	Common

Species	Migrant or Resident	Habitat Preference	Occurrence <u>in Area</u>
Barn Swallow Hirundo rustica erythrogaster	SR&M	Meadows & Marshes Near Open Water	Common
Cliff Swallow <u>Petrochelidon</u> pyrrhonota albifron:	<u>s</u> SR&M	Meadows & Marshes	Unc ommo n
Purple Martin Progne subis subis	SR&M	Meadows & Open Grassy Areas	Common
Bluejay Cyanocitta cristata	R	Woods & Edges	Common
Common Crow Corvus brachyrhynch	os R	Fields & Woods	Common
Black-capped Chickade Parus atricapillus	e R	Woods & Edges	Common
Tufted Titmouse Parus bicolor	R	Swamps & Woods	Common
White-breasted Nuthat Sitta carolinensis	ch SR&M	Wooded Areas	Common
Red-breasted Nuthatch Sitta canadensis	WR	Wooded Areas	Uncommon
Brown Creeper <u>Certhia familiaris</u>	WR	Swamps & Woods	Common
WRENS House Wren Troglodytes aedon	SR&M	Woods, Thickets & Farmlands	Common
Winter Wren Troglodytes troglod	<u>ytes</u> WR	Thickets & Brush- lands	Uncommon
Bewick's Wren Thryomanes bewickii	SR	Woods, Thicket & Farmlands	Uncommon
Carolina Wren <u>Thryothorus</u> ludovicianus	R	Swamps, Woods & Thickets	Occasional

Species	Migrant or Resident	Habitat Preference	Occurrence in Area
Long-billed Marsh Wr Telmatodytes palustr	en <u>is</u> SR&M	Cattail Marshes	Uncommon
Short-billed Marsh Wren <u>Cistothorus plantens</u> <u>stellaris</u>	is SR&M	Grassy Marshes	Common
Mockingbird <u>Mimus polyglottos</u> polyglottos	R	Farmlands & Towns	Common
Catbird Dumetella carolinens	is SR&M	Thickets & Fencerows	Common
Brown Thrasher Toxostoma rufum rufu	I <u>m</u> SR&M	Thickets	Common
THRUSHES Robin Turdus migratorius	R	Open Areas & Swamps	Abundant
Wood Thrush Hylocichla mustelina	SR&M	Moist Woods	Common
Hermit Thrush <u>Hylocichla guttata</u> faxoni	M	Moist Woods	Uncommon
Olive-backed Thrush Hylocichla ustulata	М	Woodlands	Occasional
Grey-cheeked Thrush Hylocichla minima	M	Woodlands	Occasional
Veery Hylocichla fuscescer	<u>15</u> M	Swamps & Wet Woods	Uncommon
Eastern Bluebird Sialia sialis	R&M	Wood Edges & Farmlands	Common
Blue-gray Gnatcatcher Polioptila caerulea caerulea	SR	Thickets & Swamps	Uncommon

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Species	Migrant or _Resident	Habitat Preference	Occurrence in Area
Golden-crowned Kingle <u>Regulus satrapa</u> <u>satrapa</u>	t M&WR	Thickets & Swamps	Common
Ruby-crowned Kinglet Regulus calendula calendula	M	Thickets & Swamps	Uncommon
Water Pipit Anthus spinoletta rubescens	Μ	Fields	Rarely
Bohemian Waxwing Bombyclla garrulus pallidiceps	R&M	Woodlands & Edges	Occasional
Cedar Waxwing Bombycilla cedrorum	R&M	Woodlands & Edges	Common
Northern Shrike Lanis excubitor borealis	WR&M	Open Areas & Swamps	Occasional
Loggerhead Shrike . Lanis ludovicianus	SR&M	Farmlands	Occasional
Starling <u>Sturnus vulgaris</u> vulgaris	R	All areas	Very Abundant
VIREO White-eyed Vireo Vireo griseus	SR&M	Thickets Near Water	Common
Bell's Vireo Vireo bellii bellii	SR&M	Thickets	Uncommon
Yellow-throated Vir Vireo flavifrons	eo SR&M	Open Woodlands	Uncommmon
Solitary Vireo Vireo solitarius	М	Open Woodlands	Uncommon
Red-eyed Vireo Vireo olivaceus	SR&M	Woodlands	Common

Species	igrant or Resident	Habitat Preference	Occurrence in Area
Philadelphis Vireo Vireo philadelphicus	м.	Wood Edges Near Water	Occasional
Warbling Vireo Vireo gilvus gilvus	SR&M	Open Woodlands	Occasional
VARBLERS Black & White Warbler <u>Mniotilta varia</u>	SR&M	Woodlands	Common
Prothonotary Warbler Protonotaria citrea	SR&M	Swamps & Moist Woods	Uncommon
Worm-eating Warbler Helmitheros vermivoru	<u>s</u> SR&M	Woodlands	Uncommon
Golden-winged Warbler Vermivora chrysoptera	M	Thickets & Wood Edges	Uncommon
Blue-winged Warbler Vermivora pinus	Μ	Thickets & Wood Edges	Uncommon
Tennessee Warbler Vermivora peregrina	Μ	Thickets & Wood- lands	Common
Orange-crowed Warbler Vermivora celata celata	M	Open Woods	Occasional
Nashville Warbler Vermivora ruficapilla	M	Wood Edges	Common
Parula Warbler Parula americana	SR&M	Swamps & Wood Edges	Common
Yellow Warbler Dendroica petechia	SR&M	Swamps & Thickets Near Water	Common
Magnolia Warbler Dendroica magolia	М	Woodlands & Edges	Common
Cape May Warbler Dendroica tigrina	М	Wood Edges	Uncommon
Black-throated Blue Warbler Dendroica caerulescen	is M	Open Woods	Uncommon

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Species	Migrant or Resident	Habitat Preference	Occurrence in Area
Myrtle Warbler Dendroica coronata coronata	Μ	Open Woods	Common
Black-throated Greer Warbler Dendroica virens	M .	Woods, Often Conifers	Common
Cerulean Warbler Dendroica cerulea	SR&M	Open Woods	Common
Blackburnian Warbler <u>Dendroica fusca</u>	М	Deep Woods	Common
Yellow-throated Wark (Sycamore) Dendroica dominica)	oler <u>a</u> SR&M	Moist Woodlands	Occasional
Chestnut-sided Warbl Dendroica pensylvan	ler ica M	Second Growth Woods & Thickets	Common
Bay-breasted Warbler Dendroica castanea	M	Open Woods	Common
Blackpoll Warbler Dendroica striata	М	Open Woods	Common
Pine Warbler Dendroica pinus	Μ	Open Woods	Uncommon
Prairie Warbler Dendroica discolor	SR&M	Second Growth Woods	Uncommon
Palm Warbler Dendroica palmarum	М	Open Areas & Swamps	Common
Ovenbird Seiurus aurocapillus	<u>s</u> SR&M	Woodlands	Common
Northern Waterthrush Seiurus noveboracens	n <u>sis</u> M	Stream Sides	Uncommon
Louisiana Waterthrus Seiurus motacilla	sh SR&M	Marshes and Stream Edges	Uncommon
Kentucky Warbler Oporornis formosus	SR&M	Moist Thickets & Swamps	Uncommon

Species	Migrant or Resident	Habitat Preference	Occurrence in Area
Connecticut Warbler Oporornis agilis	Μ	Moist Thickets & Swamps	Uncommon
Mourning Warbler Oporornis philadelph	<u>nis</u> M	Moist Thickets & Swamps	Common
Yellow Throat Geothlypis trichas	SR&M	Thickets	Common
Hooded Warbler Wilsonia citrina	Μ	Thickets Near Water	Common
Wilson's Warbler Wilsonia pusilla pusilla	Μ	Thickets Near Water	Common
Canada Warbler Wilsonia canadensis	Μ	Thickets Near Water	Common
American Redstart Setophage ruticilla	М	Woodlands & Swamps	Common
English Sparrow Passer domesticus domesticus	R	All Areas	Very abundant
Bobolink Dolichonyx oryzivoru	is M	Marshes & Meadows	Common
Eastern Meadowlark Sturnella magna	R	Marshes & Meadows	Common
Western Meadowlark Sturnella nelecta	R	Marshes & Meadows	Occasional
Yellow-headed Blackbir Xanthocephalus xanthocephalus	nd SR	Fields, Marshes, & Farmlands	Rarely
Redwinged Blackbird Agelaius phoeniceus	R	Fields, Marshes & Edges	Abundant
Orchard Oriole Icterus spurius	SR&M	Orchards & Farmlands	Common
Baltimore Oriole Icterus galbula	SR&M	Open Woods	Common

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Species	Migrant or Resident	Habitat <u>Preference</u>	Occurrence in Area
Rusty Blackbird Euphagus carolinus	М	Swamps, Marshes & Fields	Uncommon
Brewer's Blackbird Euphagus cyanocephal	<u>us</u> SR	Farmlands	Uncommon
Common Grackle Quiscalus quiscula	R	All Areas	Abundant
Brown-headed Cowbird Molothrus ater ater	SR&M	Open Areas	Common
Summer Tanager Piranga rubra rubra	SR&M	Woodlands	Occasional
Scarlet Tanager Piranga Olivacea	SR&M	Woodlands	Common
Cardinal Richmondena cardinalis	R	Thickets	Common
Rose-breasted Grosbeck <u>Pheucticus</u> <u>ludovicianus</u>	Μ	Open Woods, Edges & Thickets	Common
Indigo Bunting Passerina cyanea	SR&M	Brush Lands & Edges	Common
Dickcissel Spiza americana	SR&M	Meadows & Prairies	Common
Purple Finch <u>Carpodacus purpureus</u> <u>purpureus</u>	WR&M	Woodlands	Common
Evening Grosbeck Hesperiphona vespert vespertina	<u>ina</u> WR&M	Wood Edges	Common
Pine Grosbeck Pinicola enucleator leucura	WR	Wood Edges	Occasional
Common Redpoll Acanthus flammea	WR	Swamps & Fields	Common

Species	Migrant or Resident	Habitat Preference	Occurrence in Area
Pine Siskin Spinus pinus pinus	WR&M	Woodlands & Thickets	Common
American Goldfinch Spinus tristis tris	<u>tis</u> R	Open Areas	Common
Red Crossbill Loxia curvirostra	WR&M	Coniferous Area	Occasional
White-winged Crossbil Loxia leucoptera leucoptera	1 WR	Coniferous Areas	Occasional
Rufous-sided Towhee Pipilo erythrophtha	<u>lmus</u> R	Woodlands, Edges & Thickets	Common
SPARROWS Savanah Sparrow <u>Passerculus</u> sandwichensis	Μ	Water Edges & Meadows	Uncommon
Grasshopper Sparrow Ammodramus savannar	umSR&M	Meadows & Farmlands	Uncommon
LeConte's Sparrow Passerherbulus caud	<u>acutus</u> M	Marshes & Meadows	Uncommon
Sharp-tailed Sparro Ammosgiza caudacuta	w M	Marshes	Occasional
Vesper Sparrow Poaecetes gramineus gramineus	WR&M	Dry meadows	Common
Lark Sparrow Chondestes grammacu grammacus	<u>s</u> M	Dry Meadows & Open Woods	Uncommon
Bachman's Sparrow Aimophila aestivali	s SR&M	Open Woods & Brushlands	Occasional
Slate-colored Junco Junco hyemalis	WR&M	Edges & Open Areas	Common
Oregon Junco Junco oreganus	WR	Edges & Open Areas	Rarely

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Tree Sparrow <u>Spizella arborea</u> arborea	SR&M	Brushlands & Second Growth Woods	Common
Chipping Sparrow Spizella passerina passerina	SR&M	Wood Edges & Meadows	Common
Clay-colored Sparrow Spizella pallida	SR&M	Meadows & Brush- lands	Occasional
Field Sparrow <u>Spizella pusilla</u> pusilla	R	Meadows & Brushlands	Common
Harris Sparrow Zonotrichia querula	WR	Thickets	Common
White-crowned Sparro Zonotrichia leucophr	w ys M	Thickets	Common
White-throated Sparr Zonotrichia albicoll	ow <u>is</u> WR&M	Thickets	Common
Fox Sparrow <u>Passerella iliaca</u> <u>iliaca</u>	WR&M	Open Woods, Edges & Thickets	Common
Lincoln's Sparrow <u>Melospiza lincolnii</u> <u>lincolnii</u>	Μ	Wet Areas, Thickets & Edges	Common
Swamp Sparrow Melospiza georgiana	WR&M	Marshes and Swamps	Common
Song Sparrow Melopiza melodia	R	Thickets	Common
Smith's Longspur <u>Calcarius pictus</u>	SR&M	Meadows	Rarely
Lapland Longspur <u>Calcarius lapponicus</u> <u>lapponicus</u>	WR&M	Meadows	Occasional

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Species	Migrant or <u>Resident</u>	Habitat Preference	Occurrence <u>in Area</u>
Snow Bunting <u>Plectrophenax niv</u> nivalis	<u>alis</u> WR	Fields & Marshes	Uncommon
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## MAMMALS IN BAILEY-COX-NEWTSON WATERSHED AND VICINITY

Name	Habitat Preference	Notes on Local Population
Oppossum Didelphis marsupialis	Farming areas and bordering woodlands	Abundant
Masked Shrew Sorex cinereus	Moist meadows, woods, and brush	Common
Short-tailed Shrew Blarina brevicauda	Anywhere with vegetation and litter	Common
Least Shrew Cryptotis parva	Open grassy areas and marshes	Uncommon
Eastern Mole <u>Scalopus aquaticus</u>	Well-drained soil in open areas	Common
Star-nosed Mole Condylura cristata	Moist ground near water	Possibly present but very uncommon
Little Brown Bat Myotis lucifugus	Caves, hollow trees, buildings, under loose bark, shingles, etc.	Colonial, common
Keen's Bat Myotis keeni	Caves, hollow trees, culverts, buildings in wooded areas	Common
Indiana Bat Myotis sodalis	Limestone caves in winter, hollow trees in summer	Colonial in winter, may be present on edge of range. Considered <u>rare</u> nationally
Silver-haired Bat <u>Lasionycteris</u> noctivagans	Wooded areas	In summer, males solitary, females gregarious. Probably present.
Big Brown Bat Eptesicus fuscus	Varied, caves, mines, crevices, and buildings	Common
Red Bat Lasiurus borealis	Wooded areas	Probably present
Hoary Bat Lasiurus cinereus	Wooded areas	Probably present
Eastern Cottontail Sylvilagus floridanus	Brush, woodlots with open areas nearby, edges of marsh, weed patches	Common

Name	Habitat Preference	Notes on Local Population
Woodchuck Marmota monar	Open woods, brushy areas, meadows, and roadsides	Common
Thirteen-lined Ground Squirrel <u>Citellus triceem-</u> limeatus	Grassy areas, roadsides	Probably present
Franklin's Ground Squirrel Citellus franklini	Prairies and pastures	Could occur, but very uncommon. Extreme east edge of range.
Eastern Chipmunk Tamias striatus	Hardwood forest, brushy areas	Common
Gray Squirrel Sciurus carolinensis	Hardwood forest, parks with nut trees	Present
Fox Squirrel <u>Sciurus niger</u>	Open hardwood lots	Common
Red Squirrel Tamiasciurus hudsonicus	Evergreen forest, less common in hardwoods	Common in pine areas
Southern Flying Squirrel Glaucomys volans	Woodlands of deciduous or mixed deciduous and coniferous	Common, nocturnal
Plains Pocket Gopher Geomys bursarius	Deep soiled open areas	Extreme east edge of range. If present, very uncommon.
Beaver Castor canadensis	Streams, lakes, & ditches	Uncommon
Deer Mouse Peromuscus maniculatus	Woods, meadows, brush lands, and farms	Common
White-footed Mouse Peromuscus leucopus	Woods, thickets, stream sides	Common
Lemming Mouse Synaptomus cooperi	Low damp areas with heavy ground vegetation	Probably present

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#### Name

Meadow Vole Microtus pennsylvanious

Prairie Vole Microtus ochrogaster

Pine Vole Microtus penetorum

Muskrat Ondatra aibethica

Norway Rat Rattus norvegicus

House Mouse Mus musculus

Meadow Jumping Mouse Zapus hudsonius

Coyote Canis latroms

Red Fox Vulpes fulva

Gray Fox <u>Urocyon cinereoar</u>-<u>genteus</u>

Raccoon Procyn lotor

Least Weasel Mustela rixosa

Long-tailed Weasel Mustela frenata

Mink <u>Mustela vision</u> Habitat Preference

Low moist areas or high grass lands with rank growths of vegetation near water

Meadows, fence rows, and farm fields

Deciduous forests, orchards, gardens, and fields

Marshes, lakes, ponds, water-courses

Buildings, dumps, and fields

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Damp meadow and wooded areas

Prairies, open forest land, and farmlands

Dry upland with open areas preferred

Brush, wooded lowlands

Woods, swamps

Open woods, and meadows

Farmlands, meadows, woods, and marshes. Near water

Near water

Notes on Local Population

Common

Common

Common in habitat type

Common

Common

Common

May be present

Uncommon

Common

Common, but less than Red Fox

Nocturnal, Common

Probably present, uncommon throughout range

Nocturnal, Common

Nocturnal, Common

Name

## Habitat Preference

Badger Taxidea taxus Op**en** lands

Striped Skunk Mephitis mephitis

White-tailed Deer Odocoileous virginianus Woods, meadows, & farmlands

Mixed woods and edges

Notes on Local Population

Rare but may be present. Protected by law, considered rare and endangered in Indiana.

Nocturnal, Common

Common but secretive

#### FLORA IN BAILEY-COX-NEWTSON WATERSHED AND VICINITY

## Trees

#### Scientific Name

Acer negundo Acer rubrum Acer saccharinum Acer saccharum Betula lutea Betula nigra Bidens frondosa Carpinus cardliniana Carya ovata Carya tomentosa Catalpa speciosa Celtis occidentalis Cercis canadensis Corylus americana Fagus grandifolia Fraxinus americana Fraxinus guadrangulata Fraxinus tomentosa Gleditsia triacanthos Gymnocladus dioica Juglans nigra Juniperus virginiana Liriondendron tulipifera Maclura pomifera Morus rubra Nyssa sylvatica Ostrva virginiana Pinus strobus Platanus occidentalis Populus deltoides Populus grandidentata Prunus serotina Quercus alba Quercus bicolor Quercus imbricaria Quercus macrocarpa Quercus muehlenbergii Quercus palustris Quercus rubra Ouercus velutina Salix nigra Sambucus canadensis Sassafras albidum Tilia americana Ulmus americana Ulmus rubra

#### Common Name

box elder, ash-leaved maple red maple silver maple sugar maple yellow birch river birch beggar tick blue beech shaqbark hickory mockernut hickory catalpa bigleaf hackberry redbud American hazelnut American beech white ash blue ash pumpkin ash honey locust Kentucky coffee tree black walnut eastern red cedar vellow poplar osage orange red mulberry black gum hop-hornbeam or ironwood eastern white pine American sycamore cottonwood big-tooth aspen black cherry white oak swamp white oak shingle oak bur oak chinquapin oak pin oak red oak black oak black willow American elder Sassafras Basswood American elm slippery elm

#### Shrubs

#### Scientific Name

Alnus rugosa Amelanchier canadensis Amelanchier medic Amorpha canescens Aralia spinosa Aronia floribunda Aronia melanocarpa Asimina triloba Benzoin aestivale Berberis thunbergii Betula pumila Campsis radicans Celastrus scandens Cephalanthus occidentalis Chamaedaphne calvculata Cornus alternifolia Cornus florida Cornus obliqua Cornus racemosa Cornus stolonifera Crataegus crus-galli Crataequs mollis Diervilla lonicera Euonymus atropurureus Euonymus obovatus Gaultheria procumbens Grossularia cynosbati Grossularia missouriensis Hamamelis virginiana Hydrangea arborescens Hypericum prolificum Ilex verticillata Lonicera canadensis Lonicera dioica Lonicera sempervirens Malus coronaria Mitchella repens Myrica asplenifolia Parthenocissus quinquefolia Potentilla fruticosa Prunus americana Prunus pumila Prunus virginiana Ptelea trifoliata Pyrus Coronaria

#### Common Name

hazal alder oblong-leaf Juneberry Juneberries leadplant Hercule's club, devil's walking stick purple chokecherry black chokeberry common pawpaw spicebush Japanese barberry dwarf birch trumpetcreeper American bittersweet bottombush leatherleaf pagoda dogwood flowering dogwood pale dogwood gray dogwood red-osier dogwood cockspur thorn downy hawthorn Northern bush-honeysuckle wahoo or burning bush strawberry bush wintergreen pasture gooseberry Missouri gooseberry witch-hazel smooth hydrangea shrubby St. Johnswort common winterberry American fly honeysuckle smooth honevsuckle trumpet honevsuckle American crabapple partridgeberry sweetfern Virginia creeper shrubby cinquefoil American plum sand cherry common chokecherry common hoptree wild sweet crab

Rhamnus lanceolata Rhus copallina Rhus glabra Rhus radican Rhus vernix Ribes americanum Robinia pseudoachcia Rosa carolina Rosa multiflora Rosa palustris Rosa setigera Rubus allegheniensis Rubus flagellaria Rubus hispidus Rubus ideaus var. strigosus Rubus occidentalis Salix candida Salix discolor Salix longifolia Sambucus canadensis Smilax hispida muhlenberg Smilax rotundifolia Spiraea alba Staphylea trifolia Symphoricarpos orbiculatus Vaccinium corymbosum Vaccinium pennsylvanicum Viburnum acerifolium Viburnum lentago Viburnum molle Viburnum prunifolium Vitis cinerea Vitis vulpina

#### Common Name

lance-leaved buckthorn dwarf sumac smooth sumac poison ivy poison sumac American black currant black locust pasture rose multiflora rose swamp rose prairie rose **blackberries** dewberry swamp dewberry red raspberries black raspberries sage willow pussy willow sandbar willow common elder bristly greenbrier common greenbrier meadow spirea American bladdernut corolberry highbrush blueberry lowbush blueberry maple leaf vibernum nannyberry Kentucky viburnum blackhaw sweet winter grape riverbank grape

## Grasses

Agropyron caninum Agrostis alba Agrostis hiemalis Agrostis perennans Agrostis stulonifera Alopecurus aequalis Andropogon geroadi Andropogon scorporius Aristida purpurascens Brachyelytrum erectum bearded wheat grass redtop rough hair grass upland bent grass redtop short-awn foxtail big blue stem little blue stem

Bromus arensis Bromus inermis Calamagrostis canadensis Cinna arundinacea Dactylis glomerata Digitaria ischaemum Digitaria sanguinalia Echinochloa crusgalli Eleusine indica Elvmus canadensis Elymus virginicus Eragrostis hypnoides Eragrostis pectinacea Festuca arundinacea Festuca obtusa Festuca rubra Glyceria plicata Glvceria striata Hierochloe odorata Koeleria cristata Leersia lenticalaris Leersia oryzoides Leptoloma cognatum Lolium multiflorium Lolium perenne Muhlenbergia mexicana Muhlenbergia schreberi Muhlenbergia sobolifera Muhlenbergia tenuiflora Muhlenbergia umbrosa Panicum colambianum Panicum dichotomum Panicum implicatum Panicum lindheimeri Panicum pseudopubescens Panicum spretum Panicum villosissimum Panicum virgatum Paspalum Phalaris arundinacea Phleum pratense Poa annua Poa compressa Poa pratensis Setaria lutescens Sorghastrum nutans

#### Common Name

field brome smooth brome bluejoint wood reed grass orchardgrass crab grass crab grass barnyard grass qoose grass canada rye grass wild rye grass creeping eragrostis \_ \_ \_ tall fescue nodding fescue fescue creeping red floating monna grass nerved manna grass vanilla grass koeler's grass rice cut-grass \_\_\_\_ ryegrass, annual rvegrass, perennial nimble N nimble will nimble D nimble N, D nimble D panic grass switchgrass reed canarygrass timothy annual blue grass Canada blue grass Kentucky blue grass vellow foxtail Indian grass

Sorghum halepense Sorghum vulgare Sporobolus asper Sporobolus vaginaeflorus Stipa spartea Triodia flava Zizania aguatica

#### Common Name

Johnsongrass sorghum dropseed dropseed porcupine grass tall redtop common wild rice

#### Legumes

Cornoilla varia Lespedeza cuneota Lotus corniculatus Medicago sativa Melilotus alba Trifolium hybridum Trifolium incarnation Trifolium pratense Trifolium repens Trifolium repens var. latum Vicia villosa

#### Wildflowers

Abutilon theopharsti Acalypha virginica Actaea pachypoda Ambrosia artemisiifolia Ambrosia trifida Amphicarpa bracteata Anthemis cotula Antennaria plantaginifolia

Apocynum cannabinum Arctium lappa Arctium minus Arisaema atrorubens Arisaema dracontium Asarum canadense Asclepias syriaca Asclepias verticillata Aster pilosus Aster spp. Bidens bipinnata Bidens frondosa

Brassica juncea Brassica nigra velvet leaf, Indian mallow three-seeded mercury white baneberry common ragweed giant ragweed, horseweed, kinghead hog-peanut mayweed, dog fennel plantain-leaved everlasting, cat's paw Indian hemp, dogbane great burdock burdock woodland jack-in-the-pulpit green dragon, dragon arum wild ginger common milkweed whorled milkweed white heath aster asters Spanish needles beggar tick, sticktight, devil's pitchfork Indian mustard black mustard

birdfoot trefoil alfalfa sweet clover alsike clover crimson clover red clover white clover ladino clover hairy vetch

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crown vetch

Campanula americana Capsella bursa-pastoris Caulophyllum thalictroides Cerastium vulgatum Chenopodium album Chenopodium ambrosioides Chrysanthemum leucanthemum Cichorium intybus Cicuta maculata Cirsium arvense Claytonia virginica Convolvulus arvensis Convolvulus sepium Datura stramonium Daucus carota Dicentra cucullaria Dipsacus sylvestris Echinocystis lobara Epifagus virginiana Erigeron canadensis Erigeron divaricatus Erigeron strigosus Erythronium Spp. Euphorbia corollata Eupatorium rugosum Galium aparine Galium circaezans Galium triflorum Geranium carolinianum Geranium spp. Geum canadense Glainsoga parviflora Glechoma hederacea Gnaphalium obtusifolium Helianthus tuberosus Hepatica acutiloba Hydrophyllum appendiculatum Hypericum perforatum Impatiens capensis Impatiens pallida Ipomoea hederacea Jeffersonia diphylla Lactuca canadensis Lactuca spp. Lamium amplexicaule Lappula echinata

#### Common Name

tall bellflower shepherd's purse blue cohosh mouse-ear checkweed lampsquarters Mexican tea oxeve daisy, field daisy chicory water hemlock Canada thistle, creeping thistle spring-beauty field bindweed, creeping jenny, small morning glory hedge bindweed iimson weed wild carrot, Queen Anne's lace Dutchman's-breeches teasel wild cucumber beechdrops horseweed, marestail dwarf fleabane daisv feabane lilly flowering spurge white snakeroot bedstraw, cleavers white wild licorice fragrant bedstraw cranesbill, wild geranium cranesbills. white avens galinsoga, quickweed ground ivy, creeping charlie cudweed, everlasting Jersualem artichoke sharp-lobed hepatica appendaged waterleaf St. John's wort, Klamath weed spotted touch-me-not pale touch-me-not, jewelweed ivy-leaved morning glory twinleaf tall lettuce, wild lettuce blue lettuces henbit sticktight, blue stickseed

#### Scientific Name

Leonurus cardiaca Lepidium campestre Lepidium virginicum Malva neglecta Medicago lupulina Menispermum canadense Mirabilis nyctaginea Oenothera biennis Osmorhiza longistylis Oxalis stricta Pastinaca sativa Phryma leptostachya Physalis heterophylla Phytolacca americana Pilea pumila Plantago major

Podophyllum peltatum Polemonium reptans Polygonum aviculare Polygonatum biflorum Polygonum coccineum Polygonum convolvulus Polygonum pennsylvanicum Polygonum persicaria Portulaca oleracea Potentilla norvegica Potentilla recta Prunella vulgaris Ranunculus abortivus Ranunculus acris Rudbeckia hirta Rudbeckia laciniata Rumex acetosella Rumex crispus Rumex obtusifolius Salanum dulcamara Sanguinaria canadensis Sanicula marilandica Saponaria officinalis Side spinosa Silene noctiflora Sisymbrium officinale Smilacina racemosa Smilax herbacea Solanum nigrum Solidago nemoralis Stellaria media Streptopus spp.

### Common Name

motherwort field peppergrass, cow cress peppergrass roundleaved mallow, chesses black medic, vellow trefoil Canada moonseed wild four-o'clock, umbrella wort evening primrose sweet cicely vellow wood sorrel wild parsnip lopseed ground cherry pokeweed, pokeberry clearweed common plantain, broad-leaved plantain May-apple, mandrake Greek valerian knotweed, doorweed Solomon's-seal swamp smartweed, tanweed wild buckwheat, black bindweed Pennsylvania smartweed ladysthumb, smartweed purslane, puslev rough cinquefoil upright cinquefoil heal-all, self-heal small-flowered buttercup tall buttercup, meadow buttercup black-eved susan, cone flower green-headed coneflower red sorrel, sheep sorrel curled dock, sour dock broad-leaved dock bitter nightshade bloodroot black snakeroot bouncing bet, soapwort prickly sida, spiny sida night-flowering catchfly hedge mustard false solomon's-seal carrion-flower black nightshade grav goldenrod, field goldenrod common chickweed Mandarin

#### Scientific Name

Taraxacum officinale Thalictrum spp. Tradescantia spp. Tragopogon pratensis Trillium flexipes Trillium nivale Trillium recurvatum Trillium sessile Urtica procera Verbascum blattaria Verbascum thapsus Verbena hastata Verbena stricta Verbena urticaefolia Veronica baldwini Veronica peregrina Viola papilionacea Viola pubescens Xanthium pennsylvanicum

### Common Name

dandelion meadow-rue spiderwort yellow goatsbeard drooping trillium nodding trillium prairie trillium toadshade. sessile trillium stinging rettle, nettle moth mullen common mullen blue vervain hoary vervain white vervain Western ironweed purslane speedwell common blue violet downy yellow violet cocklebur, clotbur

## EXHIBIT 8D

## FISH IN BAILEY-COX-NEWTSON WATERSHED AND VICINITY

Name	Notes on Local Population	Habitat
Bowfin Amia calva linnaeus	Occasional	Various, highly tolerant
Gizzard Shad Dorosoma cepedianum	Uncommon	Large rivers and main tributaries
Central Mudminnow Umbra limi	Rarely	Soft-bottomed creeks, ditches and lakes
Grass Pickerel <u>Esox americanus</u> <u>vermiculatus</u>	Very common	Weedy lakes, streams & ditches
Northern Pike <u>Esocidae</u>	Uncommon	Weedy lakes and streams
Carp Cyprinus carpio	Uncommon	Weedy streams and lakes with soft bottoms
Blacknose Dace Rhinichthys atratulus	Abundant	Cool streams with hard bottoms
Creek Chub Semotilus atromaculat	Abundant <u>us</u>	Creeks, often gravel bottomed
Hornyhead Chub Hybopsis biguttata	Common	Creeks, usually gravel bottomed
Bluntnose Minnow Pimephales notatus	Common	Various, highly tolerant
Pugnose Minnow Opsopoeodus emiliae	Uncommon	Slow streams with muddy bottoms
Silverjaw Minnow Eric <i>y</i> mba buccata	Common	Sand bottom streams & lakes
Golden Shiner Notemigonus crysoleuc auratus	Uncommon as	Slow-moving pools or lakes with mucky bottoms
Redfin Shiner N. umbratilis	Uncommon	Creeks and streams

Name	Notes on Local Population	Habitat
Steelcolor Shiner Notropis whipplei	Uncommon	Large and medium streams
Common Shiner Notropis cornutus	Common	Streams
Silver Shiner Notropis photogenis	Rarely	Fast water in large streams
Rosyface Shiner Notropis rubellus	Uncommon	Hard-bottomed streams
Pugnose Shiner Notropis anogenus	Rarely	Slow, muddy bottomed streams
Blacknose Shiner Notropis heterolepis heterolepis	Rarely	Lakes and slow streams, weedy areas
Blackchin Shiner Notropis heterodon	Occasional	Quiet, weedy areas in lakes and streams
Ironcolor Shiner Notropis chalybaeus	Occasional	Quiet, weedy areas
Pallid Shiner Notropis amnis	Rarely	Streams with sand bar
Spotfin Shiner Notropis spilopterus	Rarely	Clear, heavily vegetated ditches
River Shiner Notropis blennius	Occasional	Sand & gravel bottomed large streams
Sand Shiner Notropis stramineus	Common	Sand bottomed streams
Suckermouth Minnow Phenacobius mirabili	Uncommon <u>s</u>	Fast water streams
Stoneroller Campostoma anomalum	Very common	Streams with hard bottoms
Quillback Carpiodes cyprinus	Common	Rivers and streams
River Carpsucker Carpiodes forbesi	Rarely	Rivers and streams
Bigmouth Buffalo Megastomatobus cypri	Rarely nella	Slow portions of large streams

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Name	Notes on Local Population	Habitat
Black Buffalo Ictiobus niger	Rarely	Large streams and lakes
Smallmouth Buffalo Ictiobus bubalus	Rarely	Rivers, streams, bayous and swamps
Spotted Sucker Minytrema melanops	Uncommon	Streams and lakes with soft bottoms
Lake Chubsucker Erimyzon sucetta kennerlii	Uncommon	Streams & lakes in weedy areas, soft bottoms
Black Redhorse Moxostoma duquesnii duquesnii	Rarely	Small and medium streams with hard bottoms
Silver Redhorse Moxostoma anisurum	Rarely	Large and medium streams with hard bottoms
Golden Redhorse Moxostoma erythrurum	Common	Small and medium streams with hard bottoms
Shorthead Redhorse Moxostoma breviceps	Common	Rivers and medium streams with hard bottoms
Northern hogsucker Jypentelium nigricans	Common	Small stream with hard bottom
White Sucker Catostomus commersonn commersonnii	Abundant ii	Varied, generally clear, flowing water
Yellow Bullhead I. Natalis	Very common	Slow streams & lakes with soft bottoms
Brown Bullhead Ameiurus nebulosus nebulosus	Common	Slow streams & lakes with soft bottoms
Black Bullhead Ameiurus melas melas	Uncommon	Slow streams & lakes with soft bottoms
Channel Catfish Ictalurus punctatus	Uncommon	Rivers and lakes
Stonecat Noturus flavus	Common	Medium and large streams with rock or gravel bottoms

Name L	Notes on ocal Population	Habitat
Tadpole Madtom Schilbeodes mollis	Uncommon	Slow, weedy, soft- bottomed streams
Pirate Perch Aphredoderus sayanus gibbosus	Occasional	Weedy areas in clear streams
Blackstripe Topminnow Fundulus notatus	Uncommon	Weedy areas in streams & lakes
Starhead Topminnow Fundulus dispar dispar	Rarely	Weedy areas in streams and lakes
Brook Silverside Labidesthes sicculus sicculus	Occasional	Streamslakes
Mottled Sculpin Cottus b. bairdi	Abundant	Riffles in streams & creeks
Largemouth Bass Huro salmoides	Common	Lakes and streams, rivers
Smallmouth Bass Micropterus dolomieu dolomieu	Common	Gravel-bottomed streams & lake areas
Warmouth Chaenobryttus coronari	Occasional us	Slow streams and lakes with soft bottoms
Green Sunfish Lepomis cyanellus	Abundant	Lakes and creeks, weedy areas
Longear Sunfish Leopmis megalotis peltastes	Rarely	Lakes and streams
Bluegill Lepomis macrochirus macrochirus	Common	Lakes and pools in streams weedy areas
Pumpkinseed Lepomis gibbosus	Common	Lakes and streams
Redear Sunfish Lepomis microlophus	Rarely	Lakes and streams
Rockbass Ambloplites rupestris rupestris	Common	Hard bottomed streams

Name	Notes on Local Population	Habitat
White Crappie Promoxis annularis	Rarely	Lakes and streams, mud bottoms, clear or turbid
Black Crappie Pomoxis nigro-maculat	Common us_	Lakes and streams, mud bottoms, clear, weedy areas
Yellow Perch Perca flavescens	Rarely	Lakes and some streams
Walleye Stizostedio vitreum vitreum	Rarely	Lakes, rivers, and streams
Logperch Percina caprodes	Rarely	Riffles in rivers & streams
Blackside Darter Hadropterus maculatus	Uncommon	Pools in small & medium streams
Slenderhead Darter Hadropterus phoxoceph	Uncommon alus	Riffles in creeks & ditches
Dusky Darter Percina sciera	Common	Fast, shallow streams with gravel bottom
Greenside Darter Etheostoma blenniodes	Common	Riffles in small and medium streams
Johnny Darter Etheostoma nigrum	Very common	Lakes and quiet waters of streams with sand or gravel bottoms
Orangethroat Darter E. s. spectabile	Rarely	Creeks with riffles

## REPTILES AND AMPHIBIANS IN BAILEY-COX-NEWTSON WATERSHED AND VICINITY

## Name

Comments

Common Snapping Turtle Chelydra serpentina

Spotted turtle Clemmys guttata

## Range covers the state

Range covers north onefourth of state

#### Name

Stinkpot (Musk Turtle) Sternothaerus odoratus

Map Turtle Graptemys geographica

Midland Painted Turtle Chrysemys picta marginata

Red-Eared Turtle Pseudemys scripta elegans

Ornate Box Turtle Terrapene ornata ornata

Eastern Box Turtle Terrapene carolina carolina

Blanding's Turtle Emydoidea blandingi

Eastern Spiny Softshell Trionyx spinifer spinifer

Five-Lined Skink Eumeces fasciatus

Western Slender Glass Lizard Ophisaurus attenuatus attenuatus

Midland Brown Snake Storeria dekayi wrightorum

Northern Water Snake Natrix sipedon sipedon

Kirtland's Water Snake Natrix kirtlandi

Queen Snake Natrix septemvittata

Butler's Garter Snake Thamnophis butleri

#### Comments

Range covers the state

Range covers the state

Range covers the state

Range covers west onehalf of state

Range covers prairie areas on west side of state

Range covers the entire state except small section of northwest corner

Range covers north onefourth of state

Range covers the state

Range covers the state except small area in northwest corner

Range covers west edge of state

Range covers state

Range covers north twothirds of state

Range covers the state except southwest corner

Range covers the state except southwest corner and area in northwest corner

Range covers north twothirds of west one-half of state

### Name

Eastern Garter Snake Thamnophis sirtalis sirtalis

Eastern Ribbon Snake Thamnophis sauritus sauritus

Western Smooth Green Snake Opheodrys vernalis blanchardi

Eastern Hognose Snake Heterodon platyrhinos

Blue Racer Coluber constrictor foxi

Western Fox Snake Elaphe vulpina vulpina

Black Rat Snake Elaphe obsoleta obsoleta

Eastern Milk Snake Lampropeltis doliata triangulum

Prairie King Snake Lampropeltis calligaster calligaster

Eastern Massasaugas <u>Sistrurus catenatus</u> <u>catenatus</u>

Bull Snake Pituophis melanoleucus sayi

Mudpuppy Necturus maculosus

Western Lesser Sirens Siren intermedia nettingi

Central Newt <u>Diemictylus viridescens</u> <u>louisianensis</u>

### Comments

Range covers the state

Range covers the state except area in northwest corner

Range covers northwest corner of state

Range covers the state

Range covers north twothirds of state

Range covers northwest corner of state

Range covers the state except area in northwest corner

Range covers all of state except southwest corner

Range covers west onefourth of state

Range covers north onehalf of state & north edge of southwest one-fourth

Range covers northwest corner of state

Range covers the state

Range covers west one-fourth & area three-fourths across central part of state

Range covers west one-half of state

## Name

Blue-Spotted & Jefferson Salamanders Ambystoma laterale

Spotted Salamander Ambystoma maculatum

Tremblay's Salamander Ambystoma tremblayi

Eastern Tiger Salamander Ambystoma tigrinum tigrinum

Red-Backed Salamander Plethodon cinereus cinereus

Two Lined Salamander Eurycea bislineata rivicola

American Toad Bufo americanus

Fowlers Toad Bufo woodhousei fowleri

Northern Spring Pepper Hyla crucifer crucifer

Eastern Gray Tree Frog Hyla versicolor versicolor

Blanchard's Cricket Frog Acris crepitans blanchardi

Western Chorus Frog Pseudacris triseriata triseriata

Pickerel Frog <u>Rana palustris</u>

Northern Leopard Frog Rana pipiens pipiens

Green Frog Rana clamitans melanota

## Comments

Range covers east threefourths & northwest corner of state

Range covers the state except small area of northwest corner

Northern part of state

Range covers the state

Range covers the state except small area of northwest corner

Range covers south threefourths of state

Range covers the state except southwest one-fourth

Range covers the state

Range covers the state except areas of northwest & southwest corners

Range covers north one-half & east edge of state

Range covers the state

Comments

Range covers the state

Range covers the state

Name

Wood Frog Rana sylvatica

Bullfrog Rana catesbeiana





EXHIBIT 9A



# SURFACE WATER QUALITY ANALYSES

		May 5, 1975			July 29, 1975		
	Site (Exhibit 9A)	2	7	8	2	7	8
	Time (EST)	1800	1645	1530	1330	130 <b>0</b>	1200
	Drainage area (mi <sup>2</sup> )	4.9	5.5	2.7	4.9	5.5	2.7
	Discharge $(ft^3/s)$	11	9.9	6.2	0.5	0.3	0.15
	Water temp. (°C)	18.5	17.0	18.0			21.5
	ph, Field						7.1
	Specific Cond. (umhos)	439	320	364			397
	Dissolved oxygen (%sat.)	6 <b>6</b>	114	111			85
	Dissolved oxygen	6.1	10.8	10.3			7.4
	Calcium	68	46	53	74	43	52
	Magnesium	16	11	14	16	10	14
	Potassium	1.2	1.0	1.4	.8	.9	1.0
	Sodium	4.3	3.0	4.0	4.0	3.0	5.6
	Bica bonate	16 <b>9</b>	111	135	188	120	159
	Carbonate	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Chloride	15	10	15	14	8.9	16
	Fluoride	.4	.3	.3	.2	.1	.1
	Sulfate	6 <b>6</b>	49	53	63	42	43
	Silica, discolved	10	6.9	7.9	7.9	11	12
	Dissolved solids	2 <b>68</b>	185	220	273	180	224
	Total alkalinity						
	(as CaCO <sub>3</sub> )	139	91	111	154	98	130
0	Total hardness						
цЧ	$(as CaCO_3)$	240	16 <b>0</b>	19 <b>0</b>	250	150	190
÷ H	Noncarb. hardness						-
ы	$(as CaCO_3)$	97	6 <b>9</b>	79	96	50	57
pe	Ammonia, dissolved			<b>.</b>	0.1	0	0/
S	(as N)	.15	.05	.08	.01	0	.04
am	Organic nitrogen		7.4	10	10	20	4.0
8	dissolved (as N)	.30	•14	.19	.48	. 28	.40
4	Kjeldahl nitrogen,		10	07	10	20	1.1.
물	dissolved (as N)	• 4 2	.19	. 21	.49	. 20	* 4 4
24	Nitrite, dissolved	. 02	0.2	04	01	01	02
	(as N)	.03	.03	.04	.01	•01	. 02
	(og N)	57	62	0.2	05	30	29
	(as N) Orthophecohate	• 27	.03	• 75	.05		÷ 2 3
	discolved (ca. P)	01	02	02	01	02	.04
	Phoephate discolud	.01	.05	.02	.01	.02	
	(ac P)	01	03	02	03	05	. 0.5
	Organic carbon	.01	.05	.02	.05	.05	
	discolved	63	76	7 0			
	Tron. dissolved	21	09	.07	20	.09	.07
	Manganese, dissolved	.19	. 11	. 31	.12	.05	. 31
	Fecal coliform*	15**	40**	20**			
	Fecal streptococci*	65**	120	140			
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## SURFACE WATER QUALITY ANALYSES

	October 10, 1975			November 25, 1975		
Site (Exhibit 9A)	2	7	8	2	7	8
Time (EST)	1330	1300	1230	1350	1320	1250
Drainage area (mi <sup>2</sup> )	4.9	5.5	2.7	4.9	5.5	2.7
Discharge (ft $^3/s$ )	.13	.5	.03	2.3	2.4	.8
Water temp. (°C)	14.9	14.6	13.4	5.0	5.0	4.0
pH, Field	7.7	7.6	7.5	7.9	7.8	7.6
Specific Conductance	472	33/	412	445	3/15	420
Dissolved ovvgen	472	554	712	445	545	420
(% cat )	102	80	78			
Discolud owner	0 2	7 2	7 0			
Calatum	5.2	1.2	52	61	46	36
Macroadum	16	42	15	16	12	10
Deterretur	1 0	1 0	10	1 /	1 5	1 5
	1.0	1.9	2.5	1.4	2.1	1.0
Bd and an at a	5.0	4.0	2.0	3.0	3.L 100	3.3
Bicarbonate	191	127	157	1/0	123	144
	U .	0	0	0	0	0
Chloride	10	11 ,	18	15	12	18
Fluoride	•1	• 4	•1	•1	.2	• L
Sulfate	65	46	40	62	46	50
Silica, dissolved	9.4	8.4	8.4	9.6	9.3	9.2
Dissolved solids	275	191	221	254	192	201
Total alkalinity						
$(as CaCO_3)$	157	104	129	139	101	118
Total hardness						
$(as CaCO_3)$	230	150	190	220	160	130
Noncarbonate hardness						
(as CaCO <sub>3</sub> )	74	46	65	79	63	13
Ammonia, dissolved						
(as N)	.0	.0	.01	.06	.04	.06
Organic nitrogen						
dissolved (as N)	.45	.34	.41	.32	.21	.26
Kjeldahl nitrogen,						
dissolved (as N)	.45	.34	.42	.38	.25	.32
Nitrite, dissolved						
(as N)	.01	.01	.01	.01	.00	.01
Nitrate, dissolved						
(as N)	.11	.20	.19	.22	.31	.36
Orthophosphate,						
dissolved (as P)	.01	.57	.09	.01	.04	.02
Phosphate, dissolved		·				
(as P)	.03	.65	.05	.03	.07	.04
Organic carbon,						
total	5.2	7.2	3.8			
Iron, dissolved	.07	.29	.17	.23	.06	.02
Manganese, dissolved	.52	.07	.15	.21	.06	.12
Turbidity (JTU)	6	2 ·	5		-	

Milligrams per litre

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## SURFACE WATER QUALITY ANALYSES

	Janua	ry 23, 19	76	Ма	rch 5, 197	6
Site (Exhibit 9A)	2	7	8	2	7	8
Time (EST)	1130	1100	1030	1245	1215	1255
Drainage area (mi <sup>2</sup> )	4.9	5,.5	2.7	4.9	5.5	2.7
Discharge (ft <sup>3</sup> /s)	1.0	3.0	.2	34	18	12
Water temp. (°C)	. 4***	. 4 <sup>***</sup>	.5***	7.8	8.2	7.9
pH, Field	7.6	7.7	7.8	7.4	7.4	7.6
Spceific Conductance						
(umhos)	406	323	346	228	285	262
Dissolved oxygen						
(% sat.)	59	67	48	78	74	78
Dissolved oxygen	8.1	9.2	6.6	8.8	8.4	8.6
Calcium	70	41	21	24	32	26
Magnesium	17	10	6.7	6.5	8.5	7.5
Potassium	.9	1.0	.6	6.7	2.0	3.8
Sodium	3.9	3.0	2.3	2.0	2.9	2.6
Bicarbonate	178	118	126	69	89	76
Carbonate	0	0	0 <sup>°</sup>	0	0	0
Chloride	9.0	11	11	8.2	10	11
Fluoride	.1	.1	1	.2	2	.2
Sulfate	66	46	29	27	38	32
Silica, dissolved	2.0	9.4	3.7	4.6	7.4	6.0
Dissolved solids	213	183	140	117	150	130
Total alkalinity		200			200	200
(as CaCO <sub>2</sub> )	126	97	103	57	73	62
Total hardness			200	5.	, 5	02
(as CaCO <sub>2</sub> )	240	140	80	87	120	96
Noncarbonate hardness		110	00	0,	120	20
(as CaCO <sub>2</sub> )	120	47	0	30	42	33
Ammonia, dissolved	120		0	50	72	55
(as N)	.13	.11	10	12	09	08
Organic nitrogen.	• ± 5	• + +	• • • •	• 1 2	.05	. 00
dissolved (as N)	. 32	. 19	.00	.70	. 30	. 61
Kieldahl nitrogen.	• 5 2		.00	•70	• 50	.01
dissolved (as N)	. 45	. 30	.00	. 82	. 39	.69
Nitrite, dissolved	• • • •	• 50		.01	• 3 2	.07
(as N)	. 01	. 01	. 01	.03	. 02	. 02
Nitrate, dissolved	.01	.01	.01	.05	.02	.02
(as N)	. 42	.69	.75	.76	95	63
Orthophosphate.	• 72	.05	•75	./0		.03
dissolved (as P)	.01	. 03	.06	05	04	07
Phosphate, dissolved	.01	• 0 5		• 0 5	.04	.07
(as P)	.03	. 05	09	.10	.06	00
Organic carbon.	• • • •	.05	.05	.10	.00	.0,
total	6.5	3.1	3.7	12	5 7	10
Iron, dissolved	43	05	02	27	250	1.9
Manganese, dissolved	.45	.05	.02	.27	150	16
Barrese', GIBBOILVEU	• 2 3	• 工工	• ד י	.03	• 100	• 10

\*Colonies per 100 millilitres. \*\*Estimated value based on non-ideal colony count.

\*\*\*Complete ice cover.

Milligrams per litre

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INSECTICIDE CONCENTRATIONS IN BOTTOM MATERIAL SAMPLES

(micrograms per kilogram)

Site 8 0 0.6 0.8 0 0 0 0 0.3 0.4 0 0 0 0 March 22, 1976 Site 7 2.3 <del>ر</del>. 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 Site 2\* 0.0 2.2 0 <del>ر</del>. ഹ 0 0 0 0 0 0 ~ Site 8 0 0 0 3.2 0 0 0. 9.1 16 0 0 0  $\bigcirc$ October 10, 1975 Site 7 0 0 0 0 0 0 -4 0 Site 2 3.0 2.2 5.3 5.2 0 0 0. 14 9 0 0 0  $\cap$ Site 8 3.6 0 <del>ر</del>. 4. ഹ [ 1.  $\sim$ 0 0 0 0 0 May 5, 1975 Site 7 1.6 4.0 4.3 0 б. 0 • ഹ 0 0 0 0 0 Site 2 1.9 2.0 5.0 1.2 0 0.1 \_ ە 0 0 0 0 0 Heptachlor Epoxide Insecticide Heptachlor Chlordane Toxaphene Dieldrin Lindane Endrin Aldrin DDD DDT PCB PCN -DDE

\*Sampled one mile above site 2 in Bailey Ditch.

EXHIBIT 9C



BIOLOGICAL DATA--PHYTOPLANKTON COMMUNITIES

Genera	Algal Group*	site 2	May site 7	Percen 5,1975 site 8	t of Tota site 9	1 Count 0cto site 2	ober 10, site 7	1 <u>975</u> site 8
Navicula sp Nitzchia sp Cocconeis sp Cyclotella sp Anacystis sp Gemphonema sp Melosira sp Synedra sp Gyrosigma sp Gyrosigma sp Asterionella sp Cymatopleura sp Cymatopleura sp Cymatopleura sp Cymatopleura sp Cymatopleura sp Cymatopleura sp Cymella sp Surirella sp	ರದ ರರರರರರರರದ <u>ದ</u> ದ	2 2 4 4 0 9 4 4 0	24 39 30 10 33 39	9 77 3 3	35 35 35 35 35 35 35 35 35 35 35 35 35 3	00	3 33 36 76	9 <sup>8</sup> 64
Total Percent		100	100	100	100	100	100	100
lotal Count (cells per millili Diversity Index (d)	tre)	1,200 7	980 9	2,200 8	1,100 9	1,800 3	930 8	34 <b>,</b> 000 6
*d=diatom, bg=blue	green alg	ae						

Exhibit 9D

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