

# STREAM BIOLOGICAL CONDITIONS ENVIRONMENTAL AUDITOR REPORT

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<b>Stream ID:</b> S-CD6	<b>Crossing Start Date:</b> 10/09/2023	<b>Crossing Completion Date:</b> 10/18/2023
<b>Milepost:</b> 262.6	<b>Pre-Con Assessment Date:</b> 10/09/2023	<b>Post-Con Assessment Date:</b> 10/19/2023
<b>Station:</b> 13874+96	<b>Stream Classification:</b> Perennial (Perennial, Intermittent, Ephemeral)	<b>Bankfull Width (ft.):</b> 70
<b>County:</b> Franklin	<b>303(d) Impairment Listing:</b> Impaired	<b>Riffle:Pool Complexes Present?</b> Yes

Item #	Resource Crossing Conditions	N/A	YES	NO
1.	Were all applicable resource specific crossing conditions satisfied? Time of Year Restrictions (TOYR)? <u>N/A</u> Fish Relocation? <u>Yes</u> Mussel Relocation? <u>N/A</u>		X	
2.	Is this resource designated a wild or stockable trout stream?			X
3.	Which crossing methods were utilized during the stream crossing? ( <i>Select one or more</i> ) Dam & Pump, Flume, Cofferdam, Conventional Bore, Horizontal Directional Drill (HDD) Bore?		Dam & Pump	
4.	Was the top 1-foot (12-inches) of streambed substrate segregated and stockpiled separate from trench spoils?		X	
5.	Was excess material not needed for backfill removed and disposed of in an upland area?		X	
6.	Was the top 12-inches of backfill made with clean native stream substrate?		X	
7.	Was the pre-construction survey data provided and utilized during restoration in attempt to re-establish pre-construction contours?		X	
8.	Were any field modifications to the stream implemented by project or regulatory personnel to address potential drainage or bank restoration limitations?			X
9.	Were impervious trench breakers/plugs properly installed within 25-feet of top-of-bank to prevent subsurface erosion to or from the resource area?		X	
10.	Was permanent seed and stabilization material (straw or matting) applied to riparian areas and stream banks prior to re-establishing flow to the impact area of the channel?		X	
11.	Was the time of disturbance minimized by conducting resource work continuously to completion?		X	
12.	Have civil surveys been scheduled to verify as-built conditions meet pre-construction conditions in accordance with the project Mitigation Framework and federal/state permit requirements?		X	
13.	Are bareroot saplings required and/or scheduled to be planted for the dormant season (10/1 – 4/30)?		X	
14.	Did any unauthorized discharges to unpermitted resources occur during the crossing? If so, explain the corrective actions implemented in the Comments section and include additional photos.			X

Item #	Biological Conditions	Pre-Con	Post-Con
15.	<b>Predominant Substrate Type (select one):</b> <i>Bedrock, Boulder (&gt;10"), Cobble (2-10"), Gravel (0.1-2"), Sand (&lt;0.1"), Mud/Silt/Clay</i>	Gravel (0.1-2")	Sand (<0.1")
16.	<b>Channel Conditions:</b> <b>Rating:</b> 1-Optimal (80-100% stable banks), 2-Suboptimal (60-80% stable banks), 3-Marginal (40-60% stable banks), 4-Poor (20-40% stable banks), 5-Severe (0-20% stable banks, highly eroded or unvegetated banks)	1 - Optimal	1 - Optimal
17.	<b>Riparian Buffer Zone within ROW and ≤50 ft. from Stream Top-of-Bank:</b> <b>Rating:</b> 1-Optimal (60-100% heavy vegetative cover), 2-Suboptimal (30-60% mixed vegetated coverage), 3-Marginal (<30% vegetative coverage), 4-Poor (Mowed/maintained area or farmland, impervious area, sparsely vegetated coverage, etc.)	3 - Marginal	3 - Marginal
18.	<b>Instream Habitat Conditions:</b> <b>Examples:</b> Varied substrate sizes, varied combination of water velocities/depths, presence of woody/leafy debris, stable substrate with low amount of mobile particles, low embeddedness, shade protection, undercut banks, root mats, submerged aquatic vegetation. <b>Rating:</b> 1-Optimal (Habitat conditions present in >50% of resource), 2-Suboptimal (Habitat conditions in 30-50% of resource), 3-Marginal (Habitat conditions in 10-30% of resource), 4-Poor (Habitat conditions in 0-10% of resource)	2 - Suboptimal	3 - Marginal
19.	<b>Channel Alterations:</b> <b>Examples:</b> Straightened channel, non-MVP stream crossings, non-native riprap/rock along banks, concrete/gabions/concrete block, manmade embankments, constrictions w/in channel, livestock or agricultural impacts. <b>Rating:</b> 1-Negligible (unaltered/natural stream), 2-Minor (20-40% of resource disrupted by channel alterations), 3-Moderate (40-80% of resource disrupted), 4-Severe (>80% of resource disrupted)	1 - Negligible	1 - Negligible

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## Comments/Remarks

9-30-2023: Pre-Con meeting. MVP EI is J. Parker. Precision Foreman is J. Rodgers. The crossing method is an open cut. During the meeting, soil storage and segregation was discussed. A dam and pump will be utilized. Photos were taken upstream instead of downstream as site conditions allowed (steep slopes, vegetation, and LOD limitations). -S. Canfield

10-2-2023: Plan to begin excavation Thursday, 10-5-23. Discussed drilling the 50-foot buffers up to the 10-foot zone. Beginning the installation of the pumps for the pump around. -A. Thorpe

10-3 to 10-8-2023: Crew changed plans and resource crossing did not start on 10-5 as originally planned. No activity in the resource area.

10-9-2023: New pre-construction auditor assessment completed. Fish relocation in progress, drilling and blasting on the GAS of stream outside the 10-foot buffer. Bladder dam and pump around installed, energy dissipation system installed, dewatering of stream bed channel. Plan to enter the stream and 10-foot buffer on Tue 10-10-23. -B. FENNELL

10-10-2023: Stream crossing began, stripping and stockpiling of soils, continued sandbag reinforcements of bladder dams. Top 12-inches of substrate segregated & covered. Top 10-inches of topsoil was segregated. DEQ third-party inspectors from MBP were onsite. Drilling and blasting efforts occurred due to heavy rock presence. -B. FENNELL

10-11-2023: DEQ & MBP present onsite. A fourth pump was added. Continuation of drilling and blasting. -K. DOUGLAS

10-12-2023: MBP present. Secondary trench pump installed on the bridge. Bedrock removal occurred on both sides of stream and trenching began. -K. DOUGLAS

10-13-2023: DEQ & MBP present onsite. Continuation of trenching & bedrock removal on both sides of the resource. Use of a second pump in trench was discontinued. Sandbags installed. Pipe lowered into position. Welding completed (CIS). -K. DOUGLAS

10-14-2023: DEQ & MBP present onsite. Trench breaker installed (CIS). Backfilling began. The survey crew was onsite for the restoration of the stream bed & bank contours. Banks were stabilized with seed & erosion control matting. -K. DOUGLAS

10-16-2023: MBP present. Pipe prepped to be cut & welded (GAS). Awaiting the installation of the final trench breaker. -K. DOUGLAS

10-17-2023: DEQ & MBP present. Final welds, X-ray & jeep testing QC completed (GAS). Final trench breaker installed (GAS). Began padding backfill with the shaker bucket. Restoration of 50-foot buffer anticipated for 10-18-23. -K. DOUGLAS

10-18-2023: 50-foot buffer restored. -K. DOUGLAS

10-19-2023: Post-construction auditor assessment conducted. -K. DOUGLAS

No impacts to biological conditions or unauthorized discharges were observed during the crossing activities.

In accordance with the Mountain Valley Pipeline Consent Decree, Case No. CL18006874-00, (Issued October 11, 2019) this independent report was completed to document the on-site monitoring of instream invertebrate and fisheries resources during all construction activity related to waterbody and wetland crossings, and document instream conditions and any impacts to the resources.

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## Required Photos



**Photo Description:** Downstream view of permitted impact area during pre-construction assessment.



**Photo Description:** Conditions of the downstream area outside the ROW during pre-construction assessment.



**Photo Description:** Downstream view of permitted impact area during post-construction assessment.



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## Optional Additional Photos



**Photo Description:** Overview of the dewatering operations.



**Photo Description:** Fish relocation in progress.



**Photo Description:** Lowering the pipe in the trench.



**Photo Description:** Trench breaker installed.