

# Instructions for June 2006 Draft PRE-TREATMENT checklist

## SS – STREAMBANK STABILIZATION (non-bioengineered)

*To be used for streambank stabilization features other than bioengineering.*

*If the feature has secondary goals of instream habitat restoration, you do NOT need to fill out a separate Instream Habitat Restoration checklist.*

**Yes** = the question applies and the answer is yes, comment if needed. **Partially** = cannot be answered definitively yes or no, comment suggested. **No** = the question applies and the answer is no, comment if needed. **Don't know** = answer unknown and cannot be found; preferable to blank. **Not Applicable** = the question does not apply to the feature or the component in question was not part of the approved contract. Also for sub-questions when the primary question was answered A.

*See Manual Part III for guidance. See below for 3-letter code key; see glossary for definitions.*

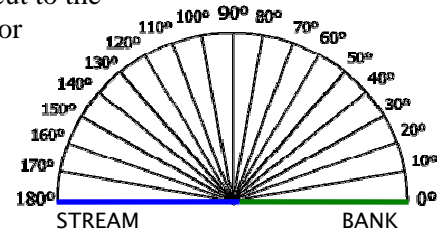
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THE “**TREATMENT AREA**” MUST BE IDENTIFIED USING THE PROTOCOL FOR DOCUMENTING THE LOCATION OF HABITAT RESTORATION FEATURES. IT IS ESSENTIAL THAT SOMEONE CONDUCTING POST-TREATMENT MONITORING BE ABLE TO RELOCATE THE SAME SECTION OF STREAM WHERE THE FOLLOWING DATA WERE COLLECTED.

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### **BANK questions should be answered regardless of goals.**

1. Meander measurement for the length of stream proposed to be treated. Targeted “treatment area” is the area intended to be treated, i.e. the structure site plus the area over which you expect to see onsite effects. For streambank stabilization features, it will be the length of the structure or the length of bank to be stabilized, whichever is greater. If the feature intends to affect instream habitat, it will be length of bank to be stabilized or the length of the structure and associated habitat area, whichever is greater. The habitat area may or may not be the length of the “habitat unit” where the feature will be placed (e.g. if a 20-foot long boulder/log deflector will be installed in a 100-foot long run, but is only intended to convert 50 feet of channel to a pool, the targeted “treatment area” would be 50 feet). A narrative description of the treatment area in relation to the proposed structure location is a suggested comment.
  - a. Measure length of streambank that appears unstable **within** the treatment area. In cases where instream habitat will be affected, the length of unstable streambank may be less than the targeted “treatment area”. If there is adjacent unstable bank not treated by the project, include a comment so it can later be identified as “untreated”.
2. Look for evidence of active erosion within or adjacent to the targeted treatment area.
  - a. Location of erosion within, upstream and/or downstream of the feature AND left and/or right bank (looking downstream) relative to the proposed structure location.
  - b. Determine using visual evidence and knowledge of land use and erosion processes.
3. A specific goal stated in the contract, proposal or verbalized by project proponent or contract manager.
4. The average bank angle at the proposed treatment site will be reported in departure from horizontal with 0° on the bank, regardless of which bank. A vertical bank is 90°. A 1:1 slope is 45°. A 1½ : 1 slope is 33.69°. And, a 2:1 slope is 26.65°. For undercut banks, also record the horizontal distance undercut to the tenth of a foot in the comments. Describe K. Vyverberg’s folding rule/protractor method of bank measurement when available.
5. A specific goal stated in the contract, proposal or verbalized by project proponent or contract manager.
  - a. Enter the targeted bank angle, reported in departure from horizontal, specified in the project description or contract. If not available, enter D.



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### **SUBSTRATE questions should be answered regardless of goals.**

6. Enter the 1<sup>st</sup> and then the 2<sup>nd</sup> dominant substrates in the proposed treatment area (e.g. GRV / COB).
7. A specific goal stated in the contract, proposal or verbalized by project proponent or contract manager.
  - a. Enter the 1<sup>st</sup> and then 2<sup>nd</sup> targeted dominant substrates specified in the project description or contract. If not available, enter D.

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### **HABITAT questions pertain to features intended to affect instream habitat. Collect baseline data according to goals.**

8. Level II habitat type in treatment area prior to project implementation. If the treatment area is on a side channel or is dry at the time of evaluation, enter the level II habitat type and OTH with a comment
9. A specific goal stated in the contract, proposal or verbalized by project proponent or contract manager.
  - a. Enter only one targeted habitat type specified in the project description or contract.

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10. Measure the residual water depth to the tenth of a foot for *all* habitat types, not just pools. This is the maximum water depth in the treatment area minus the depth of the nearest downstream tail crest. For habitat types other than pools, this may be a significant distance from the treatment area. However, it is an important measurement so comparisons can be made regardless of stream flow level. Record in the comments the approximate location of maximum depth (e.g. Max. at base of LBK bedrock).
11. A specific goal stated in the contract, proposal or verbalized by project proponent or contract manager.
  - a. Enter the minimum targeted depth specified in the project description or contract. If not specified, enter D.

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**SHELTER questions pertain to features intended to affect instream shelter. Collect baseline data according to goals.**

12. A specific goal stated in the contract, proposal or verbalized by project proponent or contract manager.
  - a. Use the table to the right to determine the shelter complexity value in the treatment area.
  - b. Estimate the percent of the targeted treatment area covered by instream shelter using DFG habitat typing methods.
  - c. Enter the minimum targeted shelter rating specified in the project description or contract. The shelter complexity value is multiplied by the percent shelter cover to calculate the shelter rating (0-300). If not available, enter D.
  - d. Enter both the 1<sup>st</sup> and the 2<sup>nd</sup> dominant shelter component in the proposed treatment area (e.g. BUB / LWD).
13. A specific goal stated in the contract, proposal or verbalized by project proponent or contract manager.
  - a. Count the amount of large woody debris in the targeted treatment area in the two specified size classes. The first entry is for logs with a diameter of at least one foot that are between 6 and 20 feet in length, the second for logs with a diameter of at least one foot that are over 20 feet in length (e.g. enter 1 / 4).

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**CHANNEL questions should be answered regardless of goals.**

14. List all channel problems near the proposed treatment area, not at a stream or reach level. List all that apply. Record problems in the vicinity of the treatment area even if they are irrelevant to the project goals.
15. A specific goal stated in the contract, proposal or verbalized by project proponent or contract manager.
  - a. List all targeted or desired channel conditions specified in the project description or contract.

### Instream Shelter Complexity Value Examples (DFG Restoration Manual pg III-43)

**Value 0**

- No shelter.

**Value 1**

- One to five boulders
- Bare undercut bank or bedrock ledge
- Single piece of large wood (>12" diameter and 6' long) defined as large woody debris (LWD)

**Value 2**

- One or two pieces of LWD associated with any amount of small wood (<12" diameter) defined as small woody debris (SWD)
- Six or more boulders per 50 feet
- Stable undercut bank with root mass, and less than 12" undercut
- A single root wad lacking complexity
- Branches in or near the water
- Limited submersed vegetative fish cover
- Bubble curtain

**Value 3**

Must have a combination of at least 2 of the following cover types:

- LWD/boulders/root wads
- Three or more pieces of LWD combined with SWD
- Three or more boulders combined with LWD/SWD
- Bubble curtain combined with LWD or boulders
- Stable undercut bank with greater than 12" undercut, associated with root mass or LWD
- Extensive submersed vegetative fish cover

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### Code Key

AGG	Aggradation	DRY	Dry	INC	Incision
BAR	Lack of stabilizing vegetation, bare	EMG	Emergent groundwater	LBK	Left bank
BED	Bedrock	FLO	Flow obstructions	LWD	Large woody debris
BOL	Boulder	FLT	Flatwater	MIG	Migration
BRD	Braiding	FPD	Floodplain deposition	NAR	Narrowing
BUB	Bubble curtain	GRC	Grade control	NON	None
CNR	Concentrated runoff	GRV	Gravel	OTH	Other
COB	Cobble	GRZ	Grazing/grazing animal	POO	Pool
DNS	Downstream	HDC	Headcut	RBK	Right bank
		HYD	Hydrologic processes	RIF	Riffle

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RTW	Rootwad	STT	Straightening	USG	Unstable soils/geology
SCU	Side cutting	SWD	Small woody debris	VEG	Vegetation
SIN	Sinuosity	TOG	To grade	WID	Widening
SLC	Silt/clay	UCB	Undercut bank	WIN	Within
SND	Sand	UND	Undercut/undermined		
STB	Stability	UPS	Upstream		