

Monitoring Data Record

Project Title: R-2635C Western Wake Freeway COE Action ID: 2007-02903-292

Stream Name: UT Reedy Branch – Site 3 DWQ Number: 20071470

City, County and other Location Information: UT Reedy Branch is located along I-540 just south of Beaver Creek Commons Drive in Apex, NC.

Date Construction Completed: March 2011

Monitoring Year: ( 3 ) of 5

Ecoregion: \_\_\_\_\_ 8 digit HUC unit 03020201

USGS Quad Name and Coordinates: N 35 44' 29" W 78 53' 29"

**Rosgen Classification:** \_\_\_\_\_

Length of Project: 640' Urban or Rural: Urban Watershed Size: \_\_\_\_\_

Monitoring DATA collected by: M. Green and J. Young Date: 6/20/13

**Applicant Information:**

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**Project Status:** Complete

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**Monitoring Level required by COE and DWQ (404 permit/ 401 Cert.):** Level 1 ~~2~~ ~~3~~

Monitoring Level 1 requires completion of *Section 1, Section 2 and Section 3*

**Permit States: COE (2007-02903-292)** The permittee shall monitor the completed stream relocation in accordance with Monitoring Level 2 of the US Army Corps of Engineers, Wilmington District, Stream Mitigation Guidelines of April 2003. Monitoring will be conducted two times per year (spring and fall) each year of a 5-year monitoring period. The monitoring reports, including reference photographs, plant survival data and visual inspection notes identifying specific problem areas, will be submitted to the Corps of Engineers, Wilmington Regulatory Field Office within 60 days of completion of the monitoring. The monitoring report will also include a discussion of any deviations from the as-built condition and an evaluation of the significance of these deviations to channel stability. The success of the stream relocation as project mitigation will be evaluated based on those success criteria listed in the referenced Stream Mitigation Guidelines.

**DWQ (20071470)** The permittee shall visually monitor the vegetative plantings to assess and ensure complete stabilization of the mitigation stream segments. Riparian area success shall be determined by conducting stem counts to ensure a tree survival rate of 320 stems/acre. The monitoring shall be conducted annually for a minimum of 3 year after final planting. Photo documentation shall be utilized to document the success of the riparian vegetation and submitted to DWQ in a final report within sixty (60) days after completing monitoring. After 3 years the NC Turnpike Authority shall contact the DWQ to schedule a site visit to “close out” the mitigation site.

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Section 1. PHOTO REFERENCE SITES  
 (Monitoring at all levels must complete this section)

**Total number of reference photo locations at this site:**  
**A total of 8 photos were taken from 4 photo point locations, 2 photos of the vegetation plots, and an 1 overview photo of the site.**

**Dates reference photos have been taken at this site:** 7/7/11, 1/18/12, 7/16/12, 1/14/13, 6/20/13

**Individual from whom additional photos can be obtained (name, address, phone):** \_\_\_\_\_

Other Information relative to site photo reference: A site map is included with this report showing the photo point locations.

If required to complete Level 3 monitoring only stop here; otherwise, complete section 2.

Section 2. PLANT SURVIVAL  
 Attach plan sheet indicating reference photos.

Identify specific problem areas (missing, stressed, damaged or dead plantings):

Estimated causes, and proposed/required remedial action: \_\_\_\_\_

**ADDITIONAL COMMENTS:** Planting was completed at this stream relocation in March 2011. NCDOT met with the resource agencies and the contractor in November 2012. The site was restaked with an additional 300 live stakes along the creek bank in December 2012 and planted with additional bareroot seedlings in January 2013 where dead or missing planted vegetation was noted during the 2012 summer evaluation. This additional planting increased the at planting total for Plot#1. The following planted species were planted on the streambank: black willow and silky dogwood live stakes and in the buffer area: tulip poplar, sycamore, river birch, and green ash seedlings. Two 50 x 50 foot vegetation plots were set in the buffer area in May 2011. Year 3 plant survival counts were conducted during June 2013 monitoring evaluation with the results showing an average density of 612 trees per acre (see table below), which is well above the minimum success criteria of 320 trees per acre for Year 3. NCDOT will continue to monitor plant survival at this stream relocation.

Plot #	Tulip Poplar	Sycamore	River Birch	Green Ash	Total (Year 3)	Total (at planting)	Density (Trees Per Acre)
1	5	8	16	8	37	41	614
2	1	5	23	6	35	39	610
<b>Average Density (Trees/Acre)</b>							<b>612</b>

**Section 3. CHANNEL STABILITY**

**Visual Inspection:** The entire stream project as well as each in-stream structure and bank stabilization/revetment structure must be evaluated and problems addressed.

Report on the visual inspection of channel stability. Physical measurements of channel stability/morphology will not be required. Include a discussion of any deviations from as-built and an evaluation of the significance of these deviations and whether they are indicative of a stabilizing or destabilizing situation.

The UT to Reedy Branch stream relocation has continued to show some signs of bank scouring and headcutting for the Year 3 Summer evaluation with little to no change since the last evaluation. See areas noted below. There is Triassic rock along this stream relocation which is a attributing factor to the bank scouring and headcutting. A bankfull event had occurred since the last evaluation. NCDOT met with the resource agencies and the contractor in November 2012. The resource agencies had no concerns with the existing stability issues at that time. NCDOT will continue to monitor the channel stability at this stream relocation.

6/20/13	Station 320+80-L- (additional photo)	Station 320+20L- (additional photo)	Station 319+00-L- (additional photo)	Station 317+70-L- (additional photo)	Station Number
Structure Type					
Is water piping through or around structure?					
Head cut or down cut present?				Headcut downstream of PP#4	
Bank or scour erosion present?	Bank scouring along left bank b/t PP#2 and PP#3	Bank scouring along right bank b/t PP#2 and PP#3	Bank erosion on left bank b/t PP#3 and PP#4	Bank scouring on right bank downstream of PP#4	
Other problems noted?					

**Section 4. DEBIT LEDGER**

The entire UT to Reedy Branch stream mitigation site was used for the R-2635C project to compensate for unavoidable stream impacts.

# UT to Reedy Branch



Photo Point #1 (Upstream)



Photo Point #1 (Downstream)



Photo Point #2 (Upstream)



Photo Point #2 (Downstream)



Photo Point #3 (Upstream)



Photo Point #3 (Downstream)

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Photo Point #4 (Upstream) (Crossvane #2)



Photo Point #4 (Downstream)



Vegetation Plot #1



Vegetation Plot #2



Overview Photo of Site



Crossvane #1

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Left Bank @ Sta. 321+50-L- is stable



Left Bank Scouring @ Sta.320+80-L-



Right Bank Scouring @ Sta. 320+20-L-



Left bank erosion @ Sta. 319+00-L-



Right bank scouring @ Sta. 317+70-L-



Headcut @ Sta. 317+70-L-

