

ATR IDOL EXERCISE AUDIENCE SCORING SHEET

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1		<p>Paragraphs 3 and 4 discuss the scarcity of high quality instream aquatic habitat in the targeted stream reaches, but does not provide a larger context for scarcity. Recommend addition of information regarding the quality of instream aquatic habitat in the Rocky River and tributaries and the quality of habitat in the targeted stream reach relative to the rest of the streams in the watershed.</p>	Y / N	Y / N	Y / N	Y / N
2		<p>It appears that the impervious conditions in the watershed may limit the ability of the project to produce measurable habitat improvements based on the relationships between % imperviousness and channel stability, water quality and stream biodiversity presented in the report. The document utilizes percent area of impervious surfaces in the watershed as an indicator of hydrologic degradation and correlates percent imperviousness with degraded channel stability, water quality, and stream biodiversity. The document states that streams with greater than 25% impervious surfaces would be expected to have unstable channel morphologies, fair to poor water quality and poor stream biodiversity. Existing imperviousness for the 3</p>	Y / N	Y / N	Y / N	Y / N

		<p>stream reaches ranges from 41.6-48.7 % and future without project imperviousness is predicted to range from 48.4-54.9. With the maximum project alternatives the future-with-project imperviousness for One, Two and Three Mile Branches would be 15, 43, and 44, respectively. By the standards presented in Table 6 the maximum plans presented would move the One Mile Branch from a non-supporting stream to an impacted stream, but Two and Three Mile Branches would remain non-supporting (>25% imperviousness). Based on the classification system presented and the proposed alternatives it is not evident that the BMPs would effectively produce any biological improvement on Two and Three Mile Branches.</p>				
3		<p>The report is too verbose and repetitive. The report could have been written is less than half the present length.</p>	Y / N	Y / N	Y / N	Y / N
4		<p>The annual benefits reported in Table 16 are not annualized. According to ER 1105-2-100 Paragraph E-35 c. ecosystem restoration outputs should be compared on an average annual basis taking into consideration that outputs vary over time. For the project, ecosystem outputs were not averaged over time. Instead, alternatives were compared based on conditions at some future point in time without consideration of how</p>	Y / N	Y / N	Y / N	Y / N

		<p>the change from existing conditions to the various with project conditions. Recommend applying the formula for calculating average annual habitat units (AAHUs) from FWS guidance and using net AAHUs for conducting CE-ICA. Target years should be selected based on how quickly the project would produce habitat benefits.</p>				
5		<p>It does not appear that the VISTA model for calculating transportation related benefits has been certified. This could be an issue despite the numerous previous applications of the model. Recommend early vertical teaming and PCX coordination if they haven't already occurred.</p>	Y / N	Y / N	Y / N	Y / N
6		<p>Where is the comparison to the 1994 report that the narrative in 1.10 said would be shown on this figure?</p>	Y / N	Y / N	Y / N	Y / N
7		<p>The report does not adequately summarize the results of the Study. The summary in Section B. i.a. (Problems Needs and Opportunities/Problems/Flood Damage Assessment) provides a summary of the differences in the two studies but doesn't address the residual damages on the main stem. Section B. i.a.1. Historic Flooding refers to the Economics appendix of the 1999 study and present a summary of remaining damages by category (baseline and future).</p>	Y / N	Y / N	Y / N	Y / N

		<p>Recent Corps HQ reviewer guidance has indicated that important information should be summarized instead of references. Lack of explanation may bring unnecessary scrutiny on the study and detract from other more important issues. Reviewers may wonder why the previous Study only recommended 6 projects if there were \$22 million dollars in residual damages on the mainstem. It is recommended that a summary of the study results be included in the Existing Conditions, Future without Project Conditions, or Problems Needs and Opportunities sections. Items to include would be the amount of damages prevented from the 6 projects, the BCR info, construction cost, and why an LRR was needed.</p>				
8		<p>The total costs of the alternatives are not presented. Recommend adding a table that includes construction, operation and maintenance, and real estate costs for each alternative. Adding operation and maintenance costs to the CE/ICA would make Alternative 1BRS less cost effective.</p>	Y / N	Y / N	Y / N	Y / N
9		<p>The graph presenting in Figure 16 is the cost effective analysis. The ICA graph needs to be added.</p>	Y / N	Y / N	Y / N	Y / N

10		<p>yellow do not show up well on screen or when printed - very hard to read so therefore confusing.</p>	Y / N	Y / N	Y / N	Y / N
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