

Upper South Branch Kishwaukee Watershed Inventory



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Watershed Inventory Discussion Topics

- Inventory Methodology
- South Branch Kishwaukee & Tributaries
- Streams & Riparian Areas
- Detention Basins
- Agriculture BMPs
- Natural/Open Space Areas
- Drained Wetland Sites



Watershed Inventory Methodology

- Index maps: aerial, topo, streams, wetlands, roads, etc.
- Maps were used to identify and map watershed BMPs
- Data sheets were used to document potential BMPs

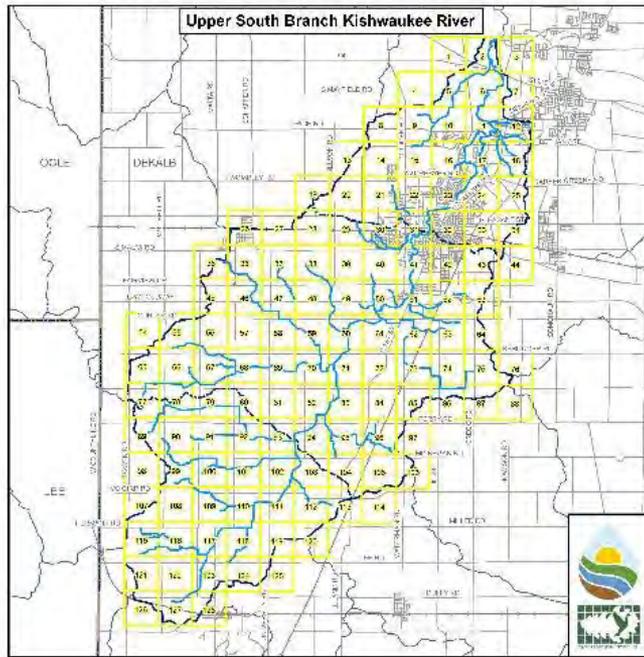
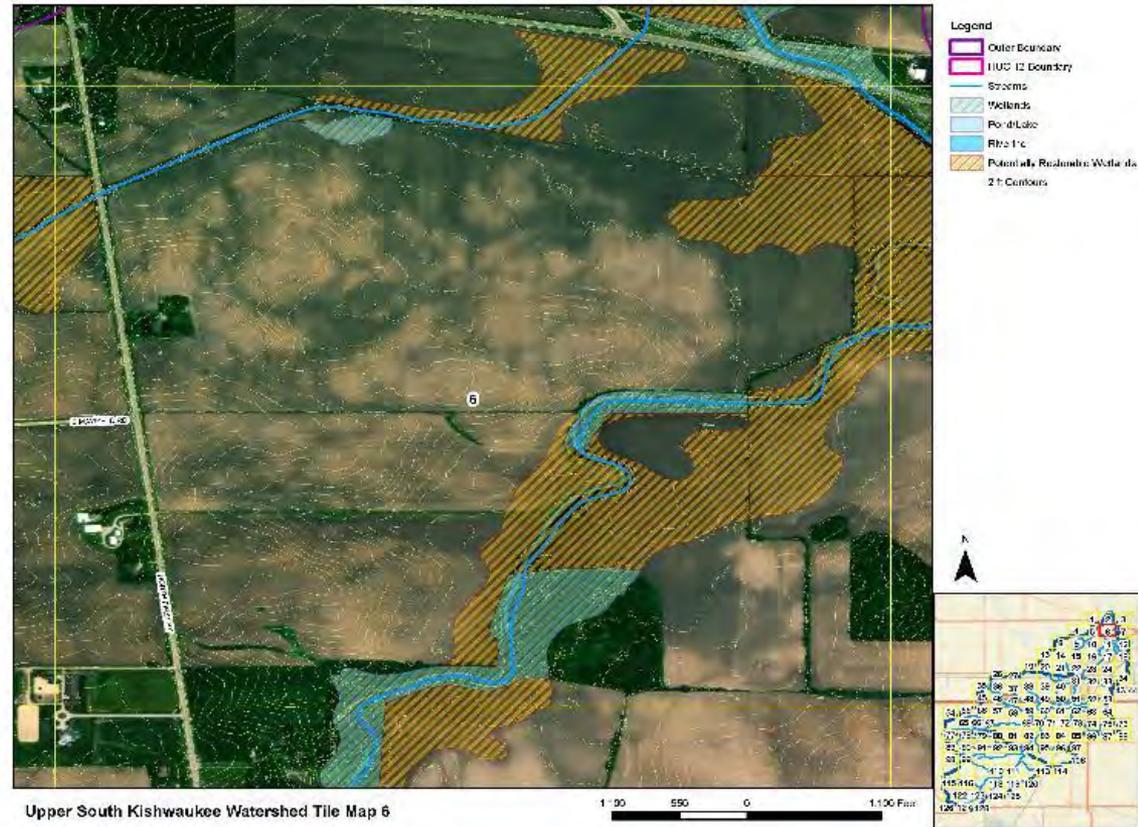


Figure X: Jurisdictions



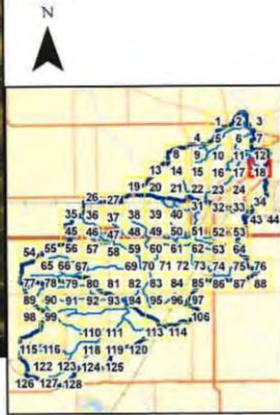
Upper South Kishwaukee Watershed Tile Map 6





- Legend**
- Outer Boundary
 - HUC 12 Boundary
 - Streams
 - Wetlands
 - Pond/Lake
 - Riverine
 - Potentially Restorable Wetlands
 - 2 ft Contours

Upper South Kishwaukee Watershed Tile Map 18



KISHWAUKEE WATERSHED STREAM INVENTORY/BMP FORM

STREAM NAME: SB 1475H REACH ID: 8 DATE: 4/17/19
 REACH BOUNDARIES: _____ OWNER: Private
 MAP/AES# 60/61 PHOTOS 124 APPROX. LENGTH (ft): _____ INVESTIGATOR: SZ KC

CHANNEL CONDITIONS:

CHANNELIZATION: NONE _____ LOW _____ MODERATE _____ HIGH X
 SPOILS PILES ON BANKS (Left / Right / Both) _____

CHANNEL SINUOSITY: NONE _____ LOW X MODERATE _____ HIGH _____

POOL/RIFLE DEVELOPMENT: NONE _____ LOW X MODERATE _____ HIGH _____

DEGREE OF BANK EROSION (circle most appropriate):

NONE	LOW	<u>MODERATE</u>	HIGH
Stable; less than 5% of banks affected.	Moderately stable; 5-33% of banks have areas of erosion.	Moderately unstable; 33-66% of banks have areas of erosion.	Unstable; 66-100% of banks highly eroded.

MEAN BANK HEIGHT & CHANNEL WIDTH (facing downstream):

LEFT BANK HEIGHT (FT)	MEAN CHANNEL WIDTH	RIGHT BANK HEIGHT (FT)
<u>10</u>	<u>20</u>	<u>10</u>

DEBRIS JAMS: INSTREAM/OVERBANK: LOW X MODERATE _____ HIGH _____

SEDIMENT ACCUMULATION: LOW X MODERATE _____ HIGH _____

RIPARIAN VEGETATION COVER (facing downstream):

BRIEFLY DESCRIBE RIPARIAN AREA: very narrow buffer of mixed grass and second growth woods

OVERALL ECO CONDITION OF RIPARIAN AREA: GOOD: _____ AVERAGE: _____ POOR: X

BMP RECOMMENDATIONS:

- Invasive Species Removal (Riparian)
- Soil Lifts
- Regrade/Reslope Stream Banks
- Artificial Riffles/Pools
- Native Seeding/Plug Planting
- Hard Bank Armoring (ie Gabions)
- Bioengineered Bank Armoring
- Native Tree/Shrub Planting
- Maintenance (ie debris clearing)

BMP DETAILS: Widen narrow buffer and restore degraded second growth woodland areas. Armor outside banks where most of erosion is occurring.

BMP PRIORITY: CRITICAL AREA _____ HIGH _____ MEDIUM X LOW _____

Explain Priority: _____

KISHWAUKEE WATERSHED MISC. WATER QUALITY BMP FORM

I. Site Name: DeKalb Market Sq. Detention Date: 5/1 Photos: 27-32
 Approx. Size (ac) _____ Investigators: _____ Owner: _____
 Location(s): _____
 AES ID# 24A-E Map Index # 24

II. Existing Site Conditions:

- 1. Woodland (dry - mesic - wet)
- 2. Prairie (dry - mesic - wet)
- 3. Old field
- 4. Turf/Park
- 5. Scrub shrub (dry - wet)
- 6. Marsh/Wetland
- 7. Agricultural/Cropland
- 8. Dry Bottom Detention (turf-natural)
- 9. Wet Bottom Detention (turf-natural)
- 10. Wetland Bottom Detention
- 11. Pond/Lake
- 12. Brownfield (urban land)
- 13. Residential
- 14. Commercial
- 15. Other _____

Comments About Existing Site Conditions:

All wet bottom w/ turf slopes, heavily eroded toe w/ geese everywhere. 24D has some native plants left.

If Detention what is ecological/water quality condition: Good _____ Average _____ Poor X

III. Potential Water Quality BMP Project(s)

- Rain Gardens
- Bioinfiltration Swales
- Wetland Restoration
- Naturalization w/ Natives
- Green Infrastructure Connection
- Rain Barrels/Cisterns
- Agricultural BMP (ie filter strips)
- Level Spreader
- Parking Lot BMP (ie porous pavement)
- Grass Swale
- Maintenance
- Other stabilize toe

IV. Potential Water Quality BMP Project Details:

install rock toe around all basins because soil will not support wet soils. Plant buffer above rock to parking lot a don't mow

V. BMP Priority: High X Medium _____ Low _____ Critical Area: Yes X No _____

If Critical Area Explain Why: high vis, horrible quality



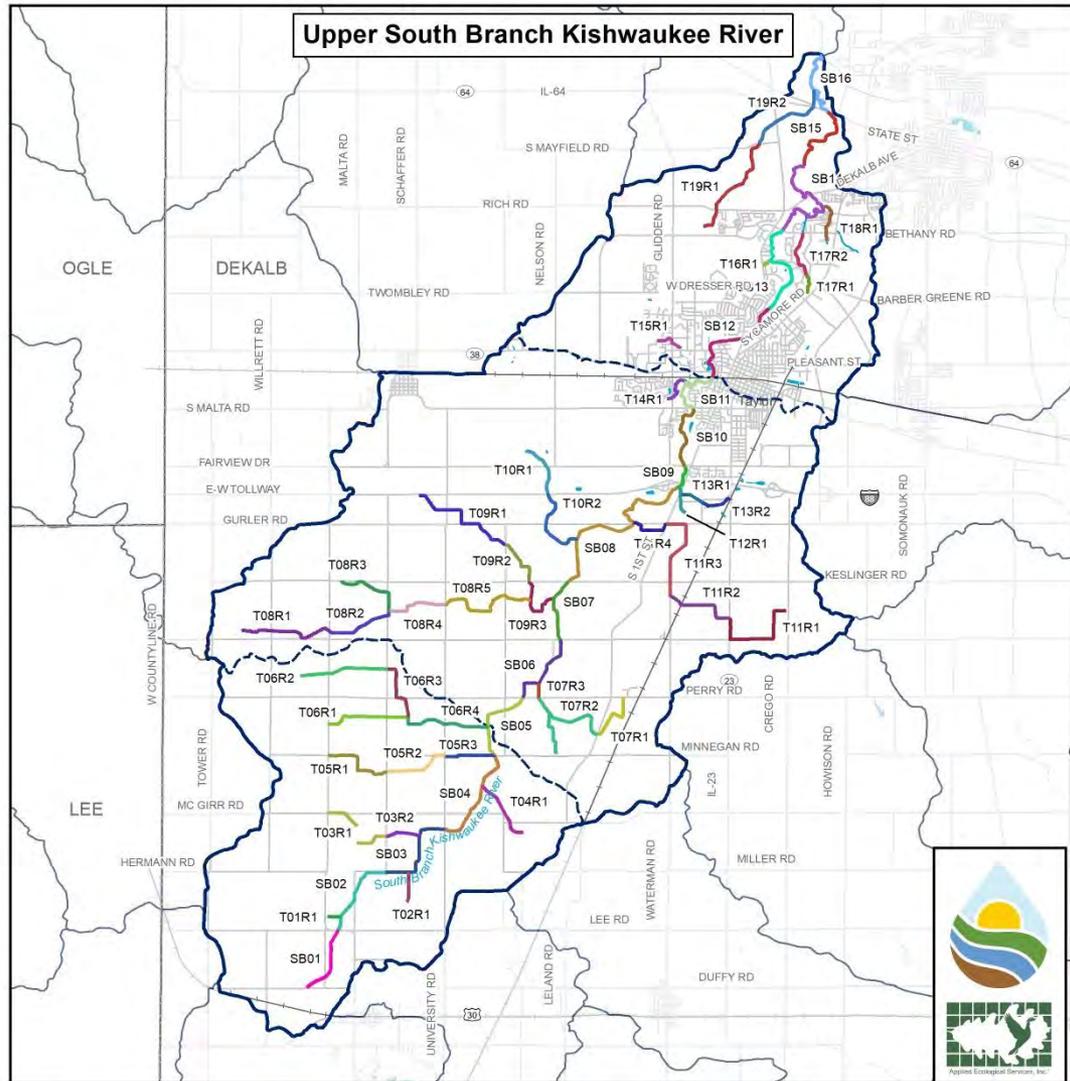
Streams Reaches Map

South Branch
Kishwaukee River

- 16 Reaches
- 137,878 lf (26.1 mi)

Tributary streams

- 19 Tributaries
- 227,559 lf (43.1 mi)



South Branch Kishwaukee



SBK Reach 1



SBK Reach 8



SBK Reach 10



SBK Reach 11



SBK Reach 13



SBK Reach 16



Tributaries to South Brank Kishwaukee



Tributary 3



Tributary 6



Tributary 8



Tributary 15



Tributary 18



Tributary 20



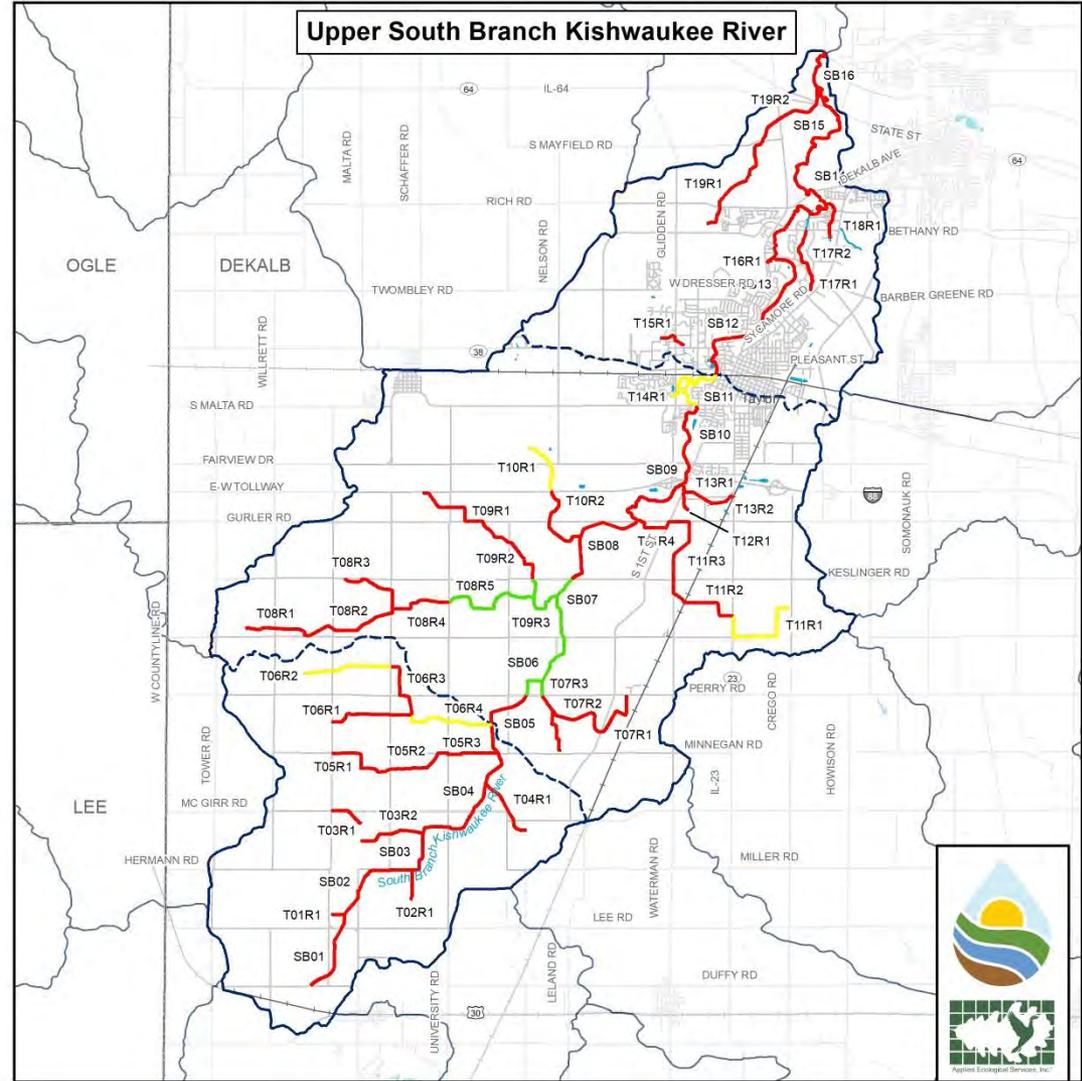
Riparian Area Condition

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Good: 30,062 lf (8%)

Average: 40,712 lf (11%)

Poor: 294,663 lf (81%)



Riparian/Buffer Areas



Tributary 1



Tributary 4



Tributary 11



SBK Reach 10



SBK Reach 11



SBK Reach 13



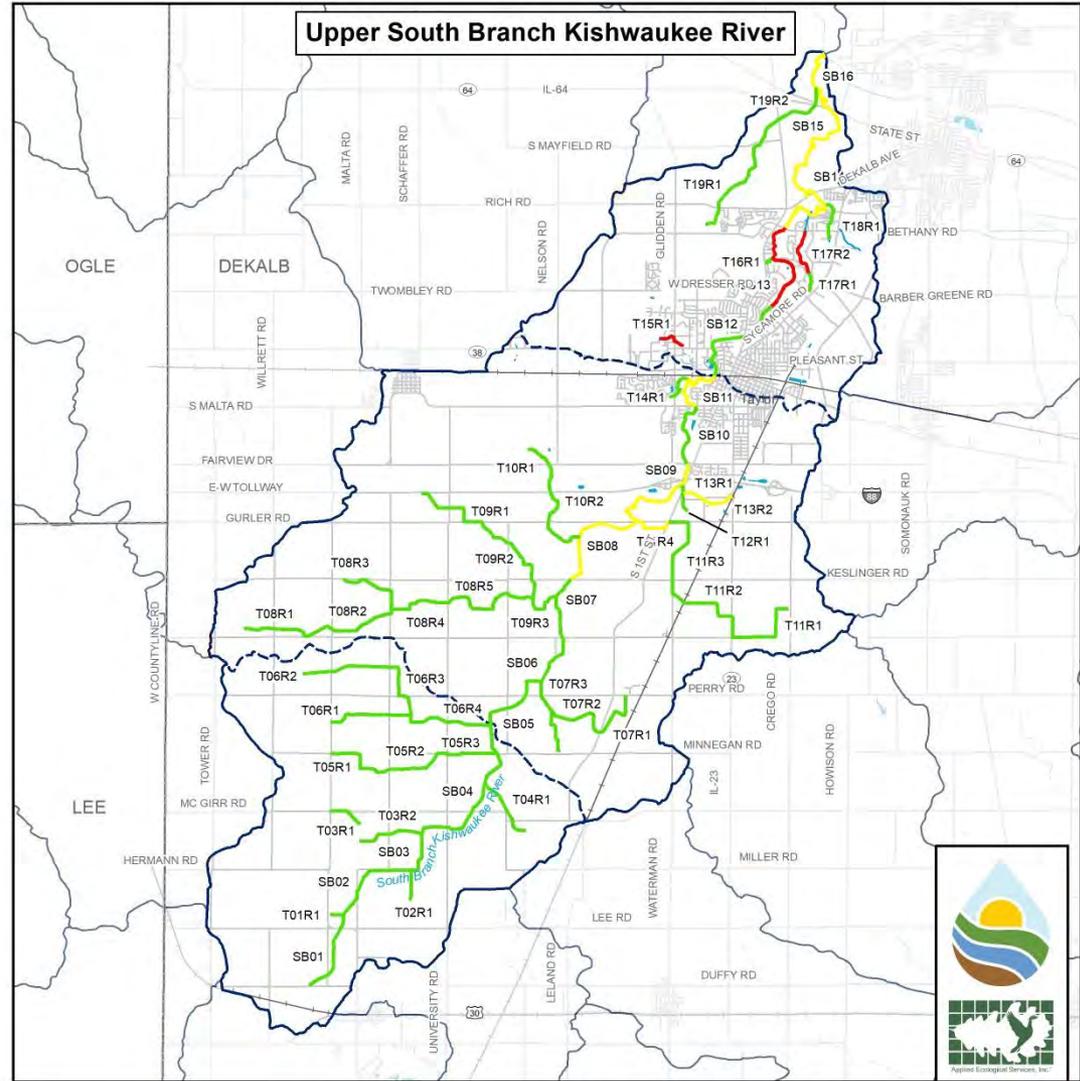
Streambank Erosion

Level of Erosion

High: 17,432 lf (5%)

Mod.: 65,516 lf (18%)

Low: 282,489 lf (77%)



Streambank Erosion



SBK Reach 13



Tributary 11



Tributary 15



Tributary 15



Stream Channelization

Level of Channelization

High: 288,177 lf (79%)

Mod.: 30,356 lf (8%)

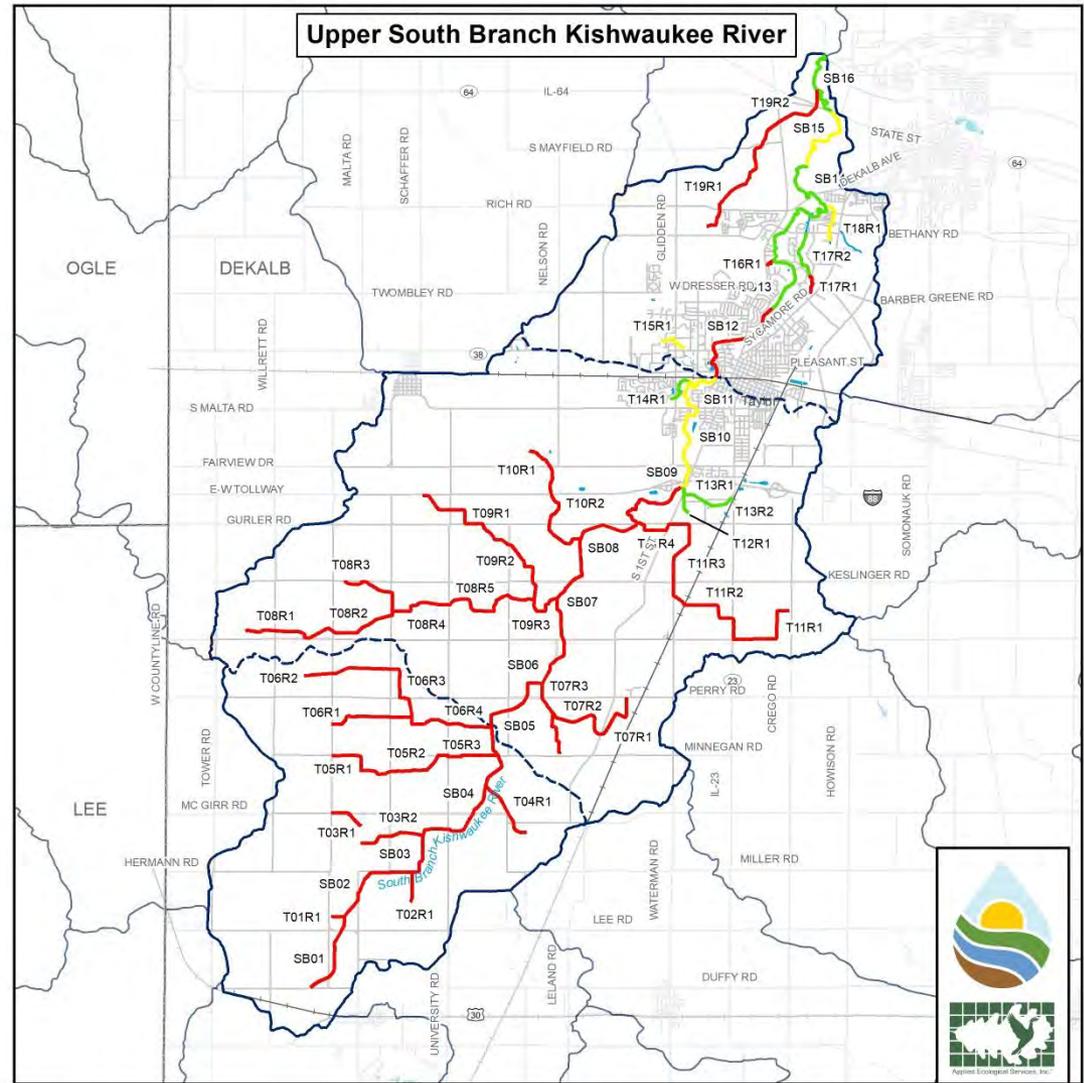
Low: 46,905 lf (13%)

Level of Channelization

— High

— Moderate

— Low



Stream Channelization



Source: Google Earth

Meandering and Channelized Sections of SBK



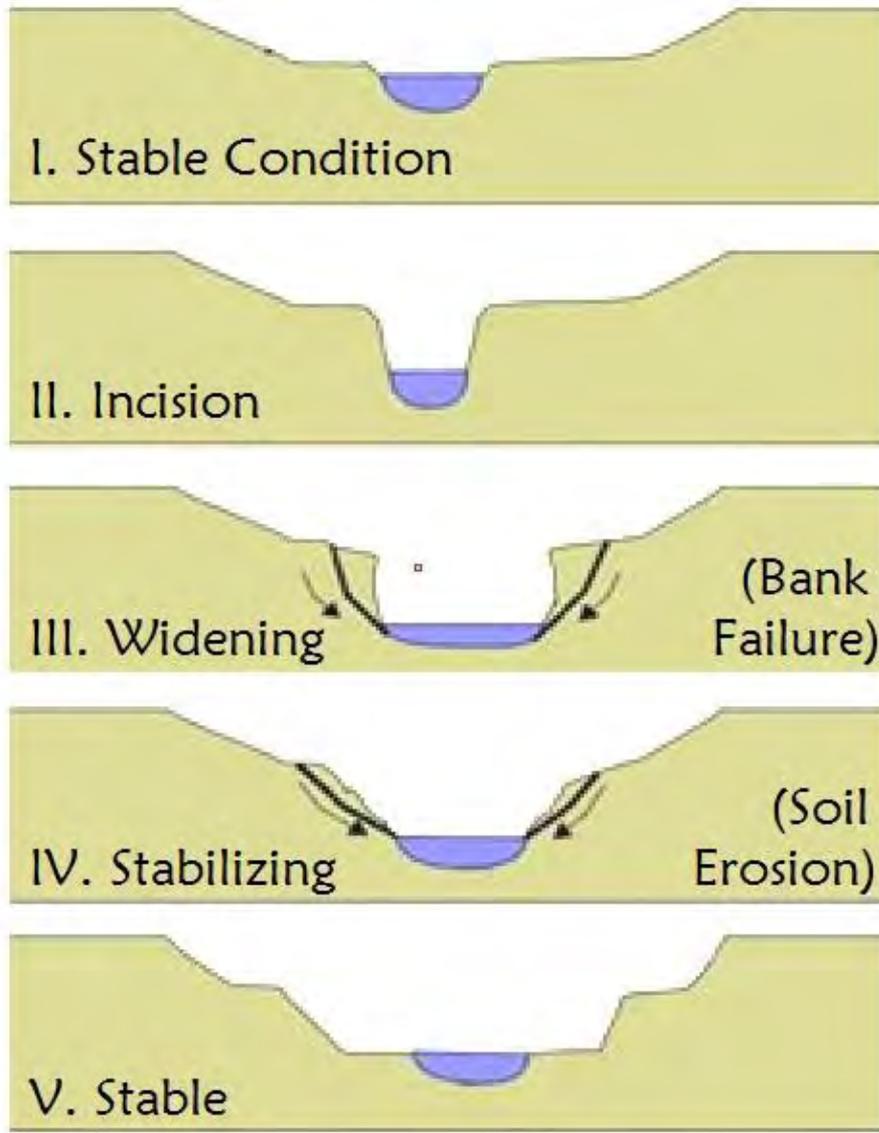
SBK Reach 2



SBK Reach 13



What is a Recovering Stream Channel?



“Critical Area” Stream Restoration



Detention Basins Map

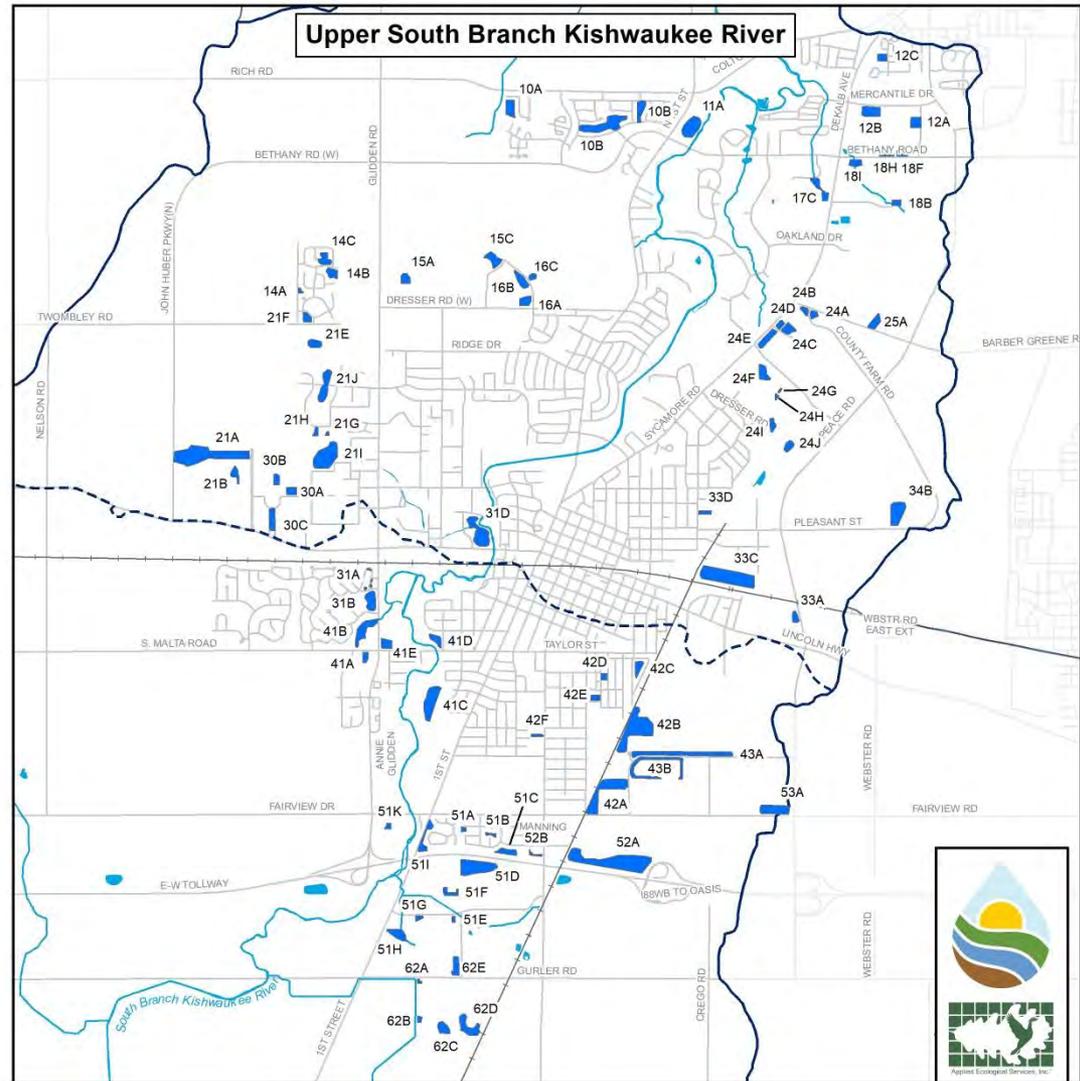
79 detention basins

Type

- 29 Dry bottom
- 42 Wet bottom
- 8 Wetland bottom

Ecological condition

- 8 Good
- 22 Average
- 49 Poor



Detention Basins



Typical Wet Bottom-Turf Slopes



Typical Dry Bottom Turf w/Channel



Typical Wet Bottom- Riprap Slope



Typical Naturalized Wet Bottom



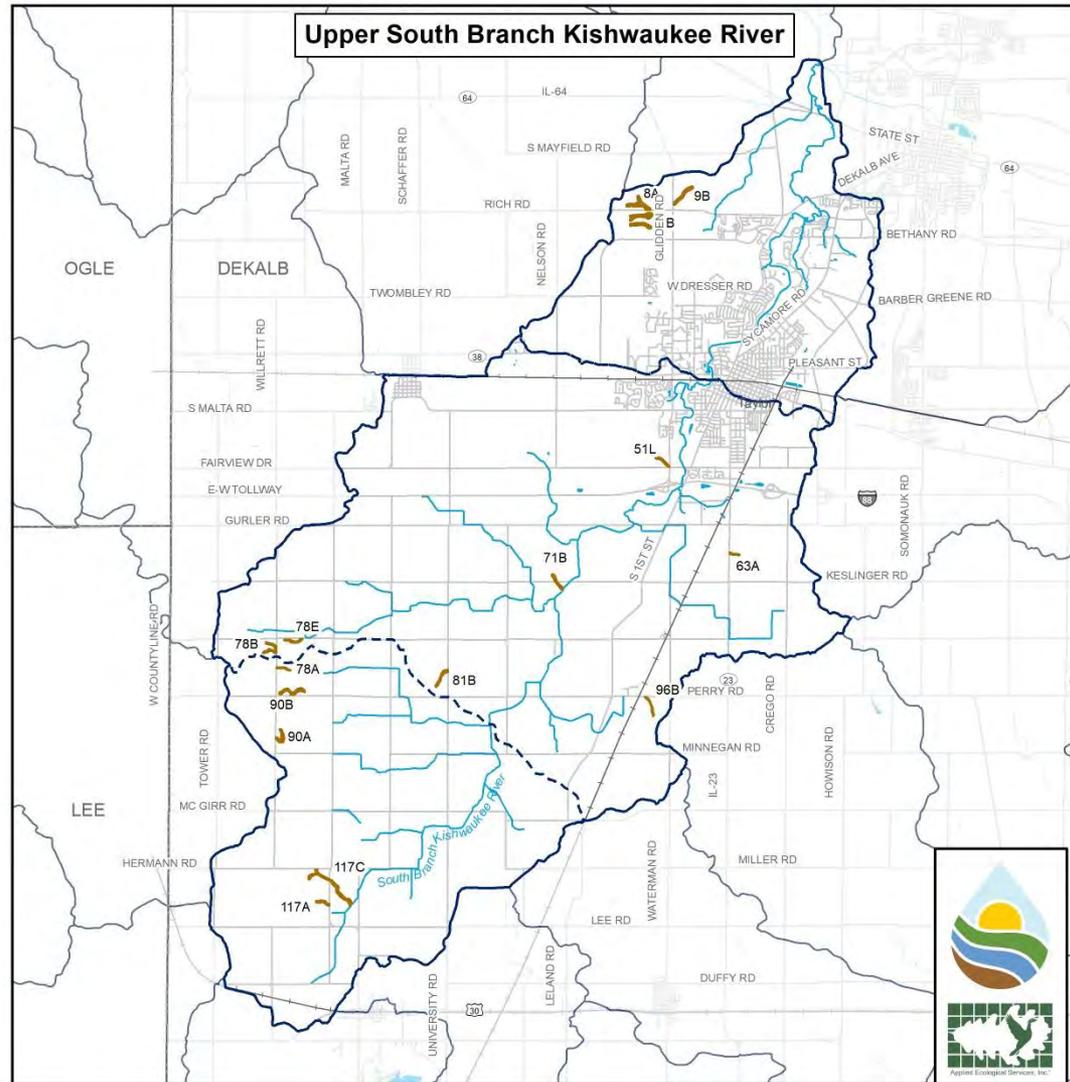
“Critical Area” Detention Basin Retrofits



Agricultural BMPs

Due to excessive rain until late in the season, will use other methods to assess agricultural field practices

Still found 15 sites in need of grass swales or waterway



Agriculture

Eroded Swales



Grass Swale & Tilling



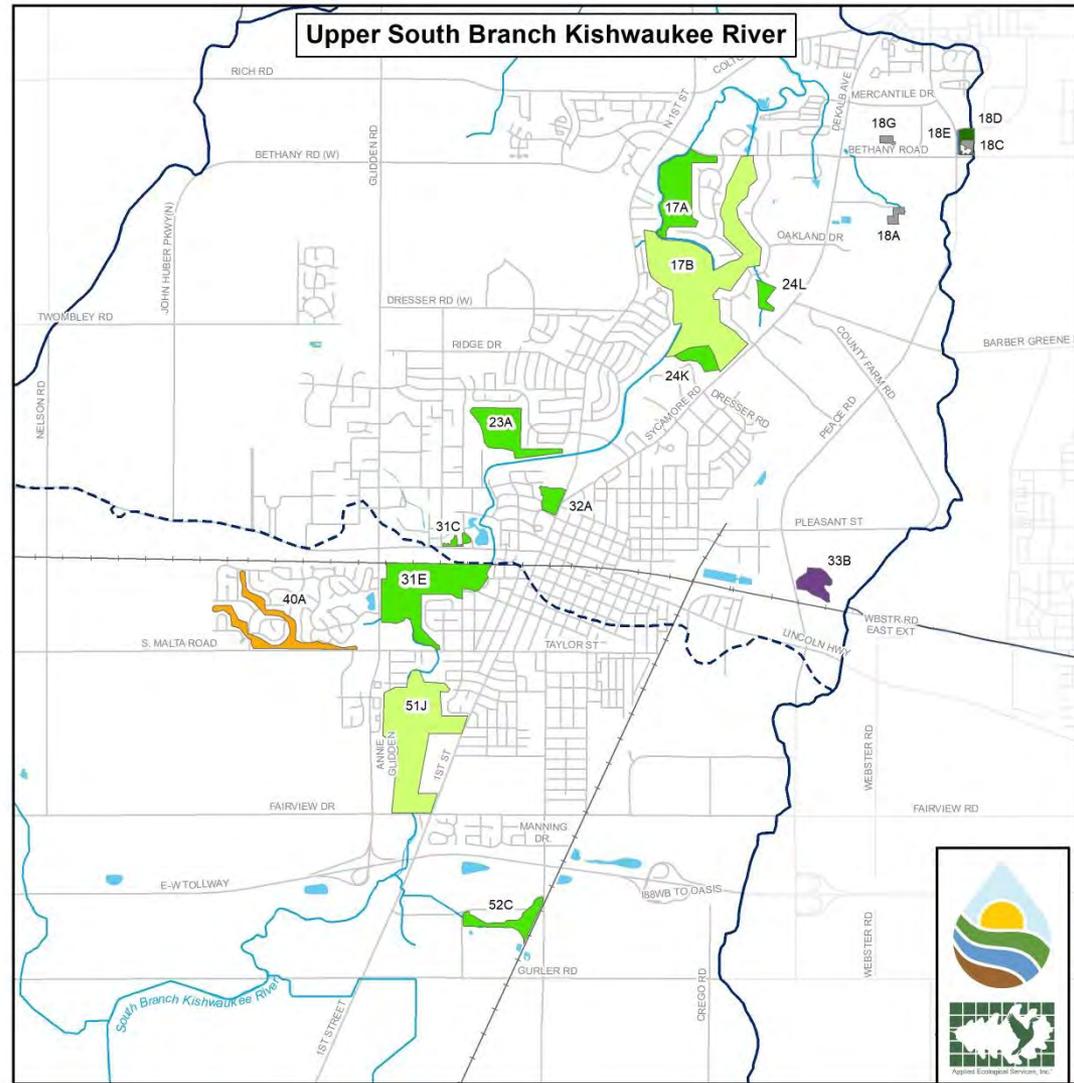
Other Management Measures

Recommendation Type

- 1 turf/park
- 8 natural areas
- 2 golf courses
- 1 marsh/wetland
- 1 swale retrofit
- 3 parking lot BMPs
- 1 maintenance

Recommendation Type

	Turf/Park
	Natural Area Restoration
	Golf Course Naturalization
	Marsh/wetland
	Swale Retrofit
	Parking Lot BMP
	Maintenance



Natural Areas & Open Space



Mesic Woodland- PA
Nehring Forest Preserve



Turf Park- NIU
Engineering Hall



Turf Woodland-
Hopkins Park



Remnant Woodland-
Castle Dr. & Lincoln Hwy



Woodland- Elwood House



“Critical Area” Natural Area Restoration



“Critical Area” Golf Courses

River Heights Golf Course

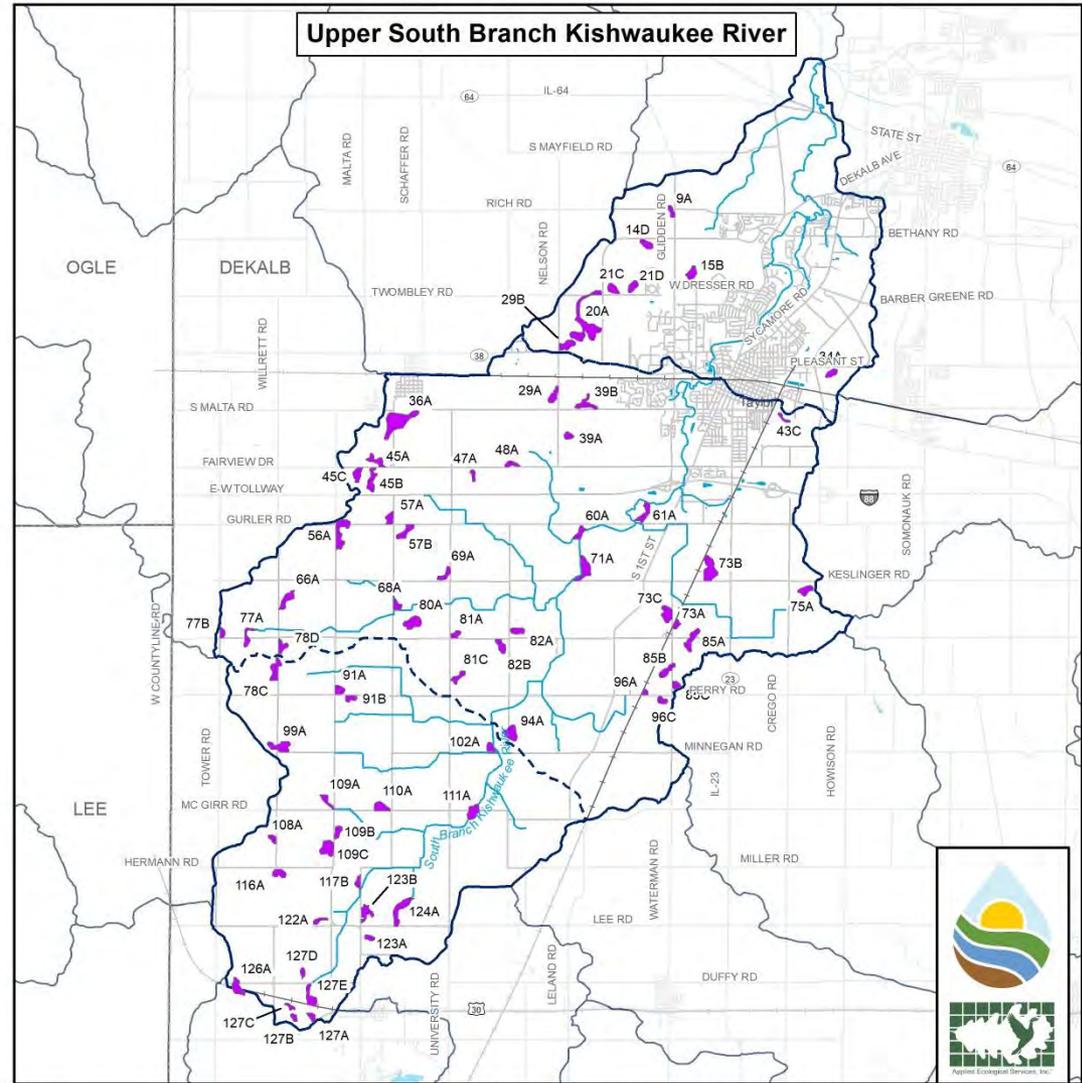


Buena Vista Golf Course



Potential Wetland Restoration Sites

68 potential wetland restoration sites



Drained Wetland Sites



Riser Structure in Wetland



Typical Farmed Wetland



“Critical Area” Wetland Restoration Sites



Questions?



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