

SL-16-LO-4

Reach Information Form (Lotic)

I. Background information:

Riparian area/stream name: Silverwood Lake Reach ID: 16a
Management unit (allotment/pasture, other): Miller Campground, Mojave East fork
Administrative unit/state: CA STATE PARKS
ID team members: AE, MG

Date: 4/19/2017

Assessment method:

Reach length (miles/km): 2.471 Ft

- Complete reconnaissance
Selective inspection of representative areas
Remote imagery with selective ground inspection

Location: Attach aerial image, USGS 7.5-minute topographic map, or GIS map with reach breaks indicated.

II. Reach break location:

Table with 2 columns: Reach starting point (upstream) and Reach ending point (downstream). Each column has fields for N. Lat., UTM E, W. Long., and N.

Positions by GPS? [X] Yes [] No Photos taken? [X] Yes [] No UTM Zone:
Datum: [] NAD27 [] NAD83 [] WGS84 [] Other (specify):

Rationale for reach breaks: upstream end started at project boundary and ended downstream where feature! loose flood plain due to slope.

III. Description of potential and rationale (should include description of hydrologic regime, stream type(s), and riparian plant communities at potential; may include additional information such as valley type, gradient, entrenchment ratio, sinuosity, width/depth ratio, and bed and bank materials):

Perennial stream system supports an active channel and floodplain vegetated by a variety of riparian forest and shrub species. Although the upstream portions of

The reach is impacted by human incursion (native veg suppression by trampling/introduction of non-native species). The overall reach appears to be in balance with the local bioclimate and surrounding topography.

IV. Other assessment or monitoring data or information about the reach:

- Due to proximity to campground human interaction likely encourages non native species introduction & a higher foot disturbance along stream
Perennial Stream
Veg dom is willow/Sycamore riparian (w/ some pines, cottonwood)
Channel substrate is primarily rocky - sandy w/ runs, ripples, and pools. Bed is not planar

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Yes	No	NA	HYDROLOGY
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>			1) Floodplain is inundated in "relatively frequent" events.
Rationale: Evidence of floodplain inundation include wrack & debris & sediment display along banks observed over-flooding channels & pooling along floodplain.			
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>			2) Beaver dams are stable.
Rationale:			
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>			3) Sinuosity, gradient, and width/depth ratio are in balance with the landscape setting (i.e., landform, geology, and bioclimatic region).
Rationale: width/depth ratio appear in balance with the surrounding topography & flow regime, stream is moderately sinuosity, channel gradient throughout.			
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>			4) Riparian area is expanding or has achieved potential extent.
Rationale: The majority of the stream has reached riparian potential extent based on topography & ground water/ stream flow levels; however, upstream segment crosses across road which			
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>			5) Riparian impairment from the upstream or upland watershed is absent.
Rationale: At the beginning of Reach / Project Area, stream flows Arizona Crossing.			

likely results in poor development of riparian species within the floodplain extent.

Yes	No	NA	VEGETATION
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>			6) There is adequate diversity of stabilizing riparian vegetation for recovery/maintenance.
Rationale: mature trees / shrub / herbaceous species with moderately to deeply rooted root systems that would stabilize banks + floodplains.			
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>			7) There are adequate age classes of stabilizing riparian vegetation for recovery/maintenance.
Rationale: mature & saplings in addition to recruitment observed along stream banks & floodplain.			
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>			8) Species present indicate maintenance of riparian soil-moisture characteristics.
Rationale: Willow, cottonwoods & mulefoot observed along stream bank + floodplain which indicate presence of consistent soil moisture.			
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>			9) Stabilizing plant communities capable of withstanding moderately high streamflow events are present along the streambank.
Rationale: Reach supports riparian forest & riparian scrub in addition to some upland communities within floodplain, all which support "deep rooted" vegetation.			
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>			10) Riparian plants exhibit high vigor.
Rationale: No signs of stress or decreased vigor were observed.			
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>			11) An adequate amount of stabilizing riparian vegetation is present to protect banks and dissipate energy during moderately high flows.
Rationale: Banks + floodplain support adequate riparian vegetation with moderately to deeply rooted system to dissipate energy during high flows.			

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12) Plant communities are an adequate source of woody material for maintenance/recovery.
 Rationale: Adequate woody material observed along floodplain + stream to catch sediment deposits.

GEOMORPHOLOGY
 Yes No NA
 13) Floodplain and channel characteristics (i.e., rocks, woody material, vegetation, floodplain size, overflow channels) are adequate to dissipate energy.

Rationale: Woody material, slight slopes, micro topography, vegetation observed within the floodplain + stream are adequate to dissipate energy.

14) Point bars are revegetating with stabilizing riparian plants.
 Rationale: Vegetated point bars observed.

15) Streambanks are laterally stable.
 Rationale: No evidence of lateral instability or degradation of material / sediment.

16) Stream system is vertically stable (not incising).
 Rationale: Stream is not incising depth to width ratio is variable. Observed with an average of 3-10ft with banks averaging 1-3 feet.

17) Stream is in balance with the water and sediment that is being supplied by the drainage basin (i.e., no excessive erosion or deposition).
 Rationale: No aggradation or degradation observed in excess within both scales of stream.

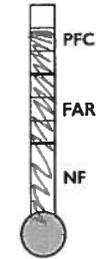
Summary Determination

Functional rating (check one)

- Proper functioning condition
- Functional-at risk
- Nonfunctional

Trend (check one)

- | | |
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| Monitored trend | Apparent trend |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Upward | <input type="checkbox"/> Upward |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Downward | <input type="checkbox"/> Downward |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Static | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Not apparent |



Rationale for rating: Geomorphology, vegetation and hydrologic conditions appear to be in balance with the surrounding topography and bioclimate of the reach.

Rationale for trend:

