

CCWC 6

PLEASE RETURN TO: Sandra L. Wilmore 8733 Pine Ave, Gary, IN 46403 219.938.1573 swigoe@comcast.net

SURVEY DOCUMENT FOR RESTORATION INVENTORY PROJECT

1. Title of the restoration project: Shooter Ditch Wetland Complex

2. Is there a restoration management plan for the project? (Please check plan elements that apply.)
 - Specific conservation goals
 - Ongoing management needs.
 - Recreation use considered
 - Ongoing monitoring
 - There are 2 mitigation wetland on this site, and both have mitigation requirements. Approximately 7 acres of wooded wetland is being created, in addition to 15 acres of open water and emergent wetland. Approximately 10-acres of adjacent land has been set aside in conservation easements with 2 different property owners.

3. Who holds title to the property? (Please provide contact information if different from respondent.)
 - Private property owner _____
 - Corporation _____
 - Not-for-profit land trust organization _____
 - Public agency _____
 - Other _____

5. Character of the site (Check all that apply)
 - Predominant soil type Hydric soils present
 - Type of waterway or wetland Shooter Ditch
 - Native species dominant Attempting to establish sedge meadow and emergent wetland communities, including wooded wetland complex.
 - Exotic invasive species dominant Hybrid cattails, Phragmites, teasel, reed canary grass.
 - Rare or unusual features _____
 - Other: Shooter Ditch was (is) the leading contributor of sediment loading into Coffee Creek.

6. Prior land use. (Check all that apply.)
 - Undeveloped _____
 - Agricultural _____
 - Industrial _____
 - Residential _____

7. Current land use (Check all that apply)
 - Managed restoration _____
 - Unmanaged and vacant _____
 - Open for public access Eventually
 - Dedicated preserve _____
 - Other _____

8. Reasons for restoration (check all that apply).
 - Regulatory compliance, such as for Resource Conservation and Recovery Act or Superfund
 - Mitigation for development elsewhere ANR pipeline crossing
 - Increase public access _____
 - Assist flood control _____
 - Improve water quality Utilized funding from the Great Lakes Commission's sediment reduction program.
 - Wildlife habitat _____
 - Protect rare or endangered species _____
 - Research _____
 - Education Provide case example of viable restoration options...
 - Provide open space _____

Partners: Coffee Creek Conservancy
Valpo U.

Other: _____

9. What types of habitat will be enhanced?

- River or stream marsh or wetland
 Prairie (prairie buffer, wet prairie habitat)
 Savannah
 Woodland (wooded wetland)
 Open water
 Other _____

10. What restoration methodologies are being used? (Check all that apply.)

- Removal of trash and debris. _____
 Soil amendment _____
 Invasive species management on-going
 Tree and understory removal _____
 Prescribed burns (please state frequency) select areas only, i.e., cattail marsh on north side
 Introduction of native species Tree plantings 2004-06, native seed and plugs.
 Advance species inventory N/A
 Other _____

11. Who is carrying out the restoration? (Check all that apply and provide names where appropriate.)

- Private property owner _____
 Public agency _____
 Non-for-profit land trust _____
 Corporation _____
 Partnership VU
 Contractual consultants _____
 Volunteers _____
 Agency staff _____
 Other _____

12. What expenses are involved in the restoration? (Check all that apply.)

- Paid labor _____
 Staff costs _____
 Materials and equipment _____
 Land acquisition costs _____
 Other _____

13. How is the restoration being financed? (Check all that apply.)

- Grants from private sources _____
 Contributions _____
 Grants from public agencies Great Lakes Commission
 By Natural Resource Damage Assessment (NRDA) funds _____
 For Resource Conservation Recovery Act compliance _____
 By private owner for development purposes _____
 Other Property owners associated, general fund

14. Additional comments: _____

15. Contact information for respondent:

Name and Title: Steve Barker, Director
Street Address: PO Box 802, Chesterton, IN 46350
Phone: 219-926-1842 Email Address: steve@coffeecreekwc.org