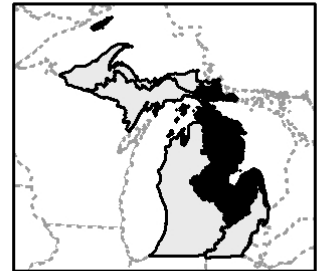


River Characteristic: Sand Banks

No Data

0 15 30 60 Kilometers

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Description

Banks are the ground bordering a channel above the streambed and below the level of rooted vegetation that often has a gradient steeper than 45° and exhibits a distinct break in slope from the stream bottom; the portion of the channel cross section that restricts lateral movement of water during normal streamflow. Sand banks are predominantly composed of particles between 0.062 and 2 mm (0.00003-0.01 in) in diameter.

General Condition of Feature

No data available.

Associated Species of Greatest Conservation Need

In the literature examined for species habitat information, sand banks were not mentioned.

Associated Threats

- No data available

Conservation Actions Needed (Threats addressed)

- No data available

Research and Survey Needs

- Determine the importance of this landscape feature in individual watersheds
- Determine the species that require this habitat (e.g., amphibians and reptiles, snails, crayfish)
- Develop a list of monitoring studies that need to be addressed
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- Develop conservation actions to address threats
- Inventory the amount and condition of sand banks in the Lake Huron basin
- Inventory the threats to this feature

Monitoring

- Sand and gravel mining
- Species that require sand bank habitat