

Worksheet 10. Sample form for recording gage station and field data
(after Leopold et al, 1998)

| Summary of USGS GAGE STATION Data/Records for STREAM CHANNEL CLASSIFICATION | | | |
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| Station NAME: | | Station Number: | |
| LOCATION: | | | |
| Period of RECORD: _____ Yrs | Mean Annual DISCHARGE: _____ CFS (QA) | | |
| Drainage AREA: _____ Ac. _____ SqMi. | Drainage Mean ELEVATION: _____ Ft. | | |
| Reference REACH SLOPE: _____ Ft/Ft. | STREAM TYPE: | | |
| BANKFULL CHARACTERISTICS | | | |
| Determined by FIELD MEASUREMENT | | Determined from GAGE DATA Analyses | |
| Bankfull WIDTH: _____ Ft. (W_{bkf}) | Bankfull WIDTH: _____ Ft. (W_{bkf}) | | |
| Bankfull MEAN DEPTH _____ Ft. (d_{bkf}) | Bankfull MEAN DEPTH _____ Ft. (d_{bkf}) | | |
| Bankfull Xsec AREA _____ SqFt. (A_{bkf}) | Bankfull Xsec AREA _____ SqFt. (A_{bkf}) | | |
| Wetted PERIMETER _____ Ft. (W_p) | Wetted PERIMETER _____ Ft. (W_p) | | |
| Bankfull STAGE (Gage Height) _____ Ft. | Bankfull STAGE (Gage Height) _____ Ft. | | |
| Est. Mean VELOCITY _____ Ft/Sec. (u) | Mean VELOCITY _____ Ft/Sec. (u) | | |
| Est. Bnkfl. DISCHARGE: _____ Cfs (Q_{bkf}) | Bankfull DISCHARGE: _____ Cfs (Q_{bkf}) | | |
| Bankfull DISCHARGE associated with "field determined" Bankfull STAGE: _____ Cfs. (Q_{bkf}) (From Gage Height reading at Staff Plate and tabular Stage-Discharge curve data.) | | | |
| Recurrence Interval (Log-Pearson) associated with "field determined" Bankfull Discharge. R.I. = _____ Years | | | |
| From the <i>Annual Peak Flow Frequency Analysis</i> data for the Gage Station, determine: | | | |
| 1.5 Year R.I. Discharge = _____ Cfs. | | 10 Year R.I. Discharge = _____ Cfs. | |
| 2.0 Year R.I. Discharge = _____ Cfs. | | 25 Year R.I. Discharge = _____ Cfs. | |
| 5.0 Year R.I. Discharge = _____ Cfs. | | 50 Year R.I. Discharge = _____ Cfs. | |
| MEANDER GEOMETRY | | | |
| Meander Length (L_M) = _____ Ft. | | Radius of Curvature (R_c) = _____ Ft. | |
| Belt Width (W_B) = _____ Ft. | | Meander Width Ratio (W_B / W_{BKf}) = _____ | |
| HYDRAULIC GEOMETRY | | | |
| Based on: <i>USGS Discharge Summary Notes</i> data (Form 9-207) and regression analyses of measured discharge (Q) with the hydraulic parameters of Width (W), Area (A), Mean Depth (d), & Mean Velocity (u); determine the <u>intercept coefficient</u> (a) and the <u>slope exponent</u> (b) values for a power function of the form $Y = aX^b$, when Y is one of the selected hydraulic parameters, and X is a given discharge value (Q). | | | |
| | Width (W) | Depth (d) | Area (A) |
| Coefficient: (a) | | | |
| Slope Expn: (b) | | | |
| Hydraulic Radius: ($R = A / W_p$) _____ Ft. Manning's "n" (Rough. Coeff.) at Bankfull Stage _____ $"n" = 1.486 / Q_{BKf}^{1/3} [(Area) (Hydraulic Radius^{2/3}) (Slope^{1/2})]$ | | | |