

TABLE 4a. Overview of Impaired and Threatened Designated/Desired Uses
for the West Fork of Portage Creek
(*Italicized Text Represents Desired Uses Developed by Steering Committee*)

Threatened Uses

Agriculture
Warmwater fishery
Coldwater fishery (upper)
Other indigenous aquatic life/wildlife
Total and partial body contact, recreation
Native vegetation/naturalization
Unique habitat and natural buffers
Aesthetic and community amenity
Flood control (capacity)
Flow capability (transport)
Public water supply, groundwater

Impaired Uses

Navigation
Other indigenous aquatic life/wildlife
Flood prevention/control of storm water
Public access and education

Related Watershed/Water Quality Issues

Development encroachment and harmful development techniques
Creek flooding
Streambank and soil erosion
Navigational obstructions in watercourse
Low water/flow levels from groundwater pumping
Sedimentation
Nutrient loading from fertilizers and storm water
Heavy metal loading from snowmelt and storm water
Illicit discharges
Loss of habitat
Replacment of botanical diversity with invasive vegetation
Degradation of wildlife corridors
Excessive waterfowl
Excessive aquatic vegetation in lakes
Increased uncaring public access
Construction impacts from Parkview Avenue
Non-farm domestic animal access

Table 4a. West Fork Portage Creek (cont.)

Broadbased Stakeholder Goals

- Restore/naturalize to control invasive species
- Protect unique habitats/endangered species
- Protect/enhance wildlife corridors/greenways
- Increase recreational opportunities, allow body contact
- Promote educational opportunities
- Implement storm water BMPs, including use in road projects
- Maintain recreational trails in publically accessible areas
- Protect agricultural land
- Use of Farmland Protection Program
- Conservation easement used as one preservation technique
- Protect groundwater resources
- Link with wetland protection and water quality issues
- Coordinate land use planning across jurisdictional borders,
consistent with Natural Resource Information information