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INTRODUCTION

The system to establish ecological standards for water resources
has been developed in this research. This system is a three-component,
two-step system. The three components consist of 1) development level
indicators, 2) land use development levels, and 3) ecological parameters.
The two steps involved are the catagorization of development levels of
the human environment and the development of the ecological standards in
response to the various development levels. The unique feature of this
research is the incorporation of human interest determinants into the
evaluation of the ecological system.

1.1 The Need

Searches of Water Resources Science Information Center (WRSIC)
using General Information Processing System (GIPSY) and current catalogs

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of Office of Water Resources and Technology (WRT), and searches of the government reports index for non-water resources research indicate no previous or current efforts relating human interests and ecological requirements within the same standards program.

It is the contention in this research that standards and indicies are both indispensible in any practical programs for environmental protection and enchancement. Unfortunately, attempts to set standards have been largely limited to physical, chemical and human health aspects of the environment. Although these are helpful standards and indicators of aquatic environments, they are nearly useless for land or land-water interface environments. Therefore, there is an obvious need for the development of ecological standards which, while meaningful for the aquatic environment, are essential for the land and land-water interface environment.

1.2 Preservation Philosophy

The alteration of natural ecological systems by man has had deleterious effects on the land and water resources of the nation. The deteriorating quality of the physical environment is easily perceived. Of utmost concern is the condition of certain critical resources necessary for the direct support of human environments. Water is the resource where the greatest concern should lie, since man's survival is directly linked to obtaining adequate supplies of clean water.

The preservation of water resource environments is a major goal of this research. The underlying premise of the study is that water resources must be preserved and protected to insure the continued survival of mankind. The decisions concerning the emphasis and intent of the study which arose during the research were strongly oriented toward insuring the preservation of water resources by establishing ecological standards to reflect the need for high quality supplies of water. This "preservation philosophy" is the basis for the standards established in this research.

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1.3 The Approach

In the course of the development of ecological standards, there was the inevitable encounter with the problem of handling non-quantifiable elements, a very difficult problem that has been and continues to face the planner (engineer, biologist, economist, social scientists, etc.). In this research, slightly different approaches-- different from the traditional ones--were taken to quantify the "non-quantifiable" environmental elements. In the attempt to quantify the social and economic factors, existing methodologies mostly pursue the traditional measurements of Gross National Product (GNP), income level, employment, population and so forth; while in this rearch, development level indicators are formulated to estimate the socio-economic factors. This will be discussed in Chapter III. In quantifying the ecological elements, five of the ecological parameters in this study were developed with a "percentage change" approach which is different from the conventional one-point-in-time-estimate approach. The application of the change approach will reduce subjective judgement commonly required in quantifying the environmental elements. The discussion of the various approaches used in quantifying ecological elements will be found in Chapter IV.

In existing standards programs for environmental protection and enhancement, socio-economic factors are often absent or purposely avoided; and if they are present, they are either vaguely or inadequately dealt with. Socio-economic factors, other than the traditional approach of estimating them in terms of monetary values, are commonly quantified in a way which is very similar to that being utilized for environmental parameters. Almost surely, in any existing standards program, there is always the absence of a mechanism that relates the socio-economic and ecological factors. In view of this missing link, this research has taken the task to interconnect these two major components of an ecological community. In developing any standards program, it is no longer sufficient to estimate each environmental element separately. Environmental elements must be treated as interlocking components of a system. Above all, the influence of human interests must be adequately integrated

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into the development of standards if they are to be meaningful. Instead of attempting to explain the entire framework of the methodology for the development of ecological standards in a tedious manner, the framework is summarized in a flow diagram, Figure 1-1, Flow Diagram of Methodology Development, which illustrates the major components of an ecological community that are dealt with, the various stages at which they are developed, and finally the stage at which socio-economic factors are incorporated into the decision making process concerning standards.

1.4 Objectives

The primary objective of this water resource research is to develop appropriate minimum ecological standards for water resource utilization and development. The standards are to be developed with the entailment of the following qualities:

1) The standards should have the ability to fairly represent adversary interests at a water basin level. Standards developed should have the flexibility to allow reasonable economic development and also the restrictiveness to enhance reasonable environmental preservation at appropriate ecospaces.

2) The socio-economic criteria and ecological standards developed could be used to judge alternative ecological standards programs.

3) The standards and methodology developed could be used at any phase of a water resource project to assess the performance of the environment.

4) The standards and methodology developed will require minimum resource from users. Users do not have to be highly trained personnel, because this method is developed so that when using it, only limited subjective judgement will be needed.
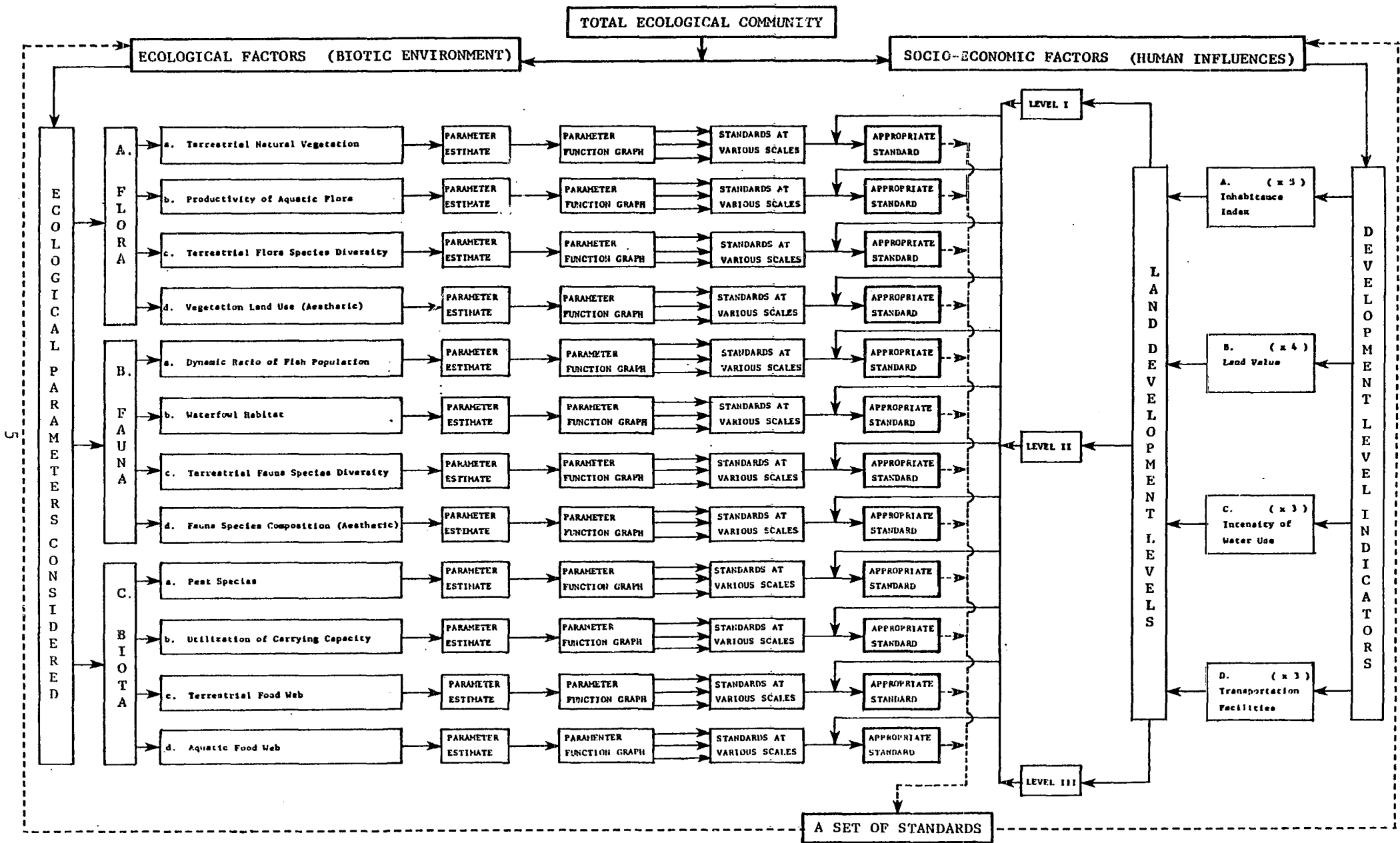
FIGURE 1-1   FLOW DIAGRAM OF METHODOLOGY DEVELOPMENT

1.5 Scope

This research to develop ecological standards for water resources is an initial attempt at setting standards. The preliminary validation test is performed on a 4-county section of the Mid-Arkansas River Basin (M.A.R.B. includes Tulsa, Creek, Osage, and Pawnee counties of Oklahoma). The development of standards was comprehensive, but it is far from being exhaustive, since many areas may have been overlooked or may be recognized but cannot be dealt with due to the resource and time constraints of this project. The standards developed are explicit and reproducible. In the development of the ecological standards, special efforts were taken to ensure that future researchers or users will be able to adopt this methodology on a simple step by step basis. Users should be able to replicate similar results.

When this research is refined to a sufficient degree, future studies conducted on environmental assessment may be able to use this research to solve problems without having to assemble an interdisciplinary team of experts.

1.6 State-of-the-Art Review

The complexity of ecosystems and the value-laden attitudes of the public toward environmental quality make specific definitions of environmental quality difficult. Human attitudes and actions significantly affect ecosystems in general. The development of a method to measure human and ecosystem values in the planning and operation of water resources should begin with a brief review of the present state-of-the-art.

The majority of the methodologies or tools employed to evaluate the environmental conditions of developments were conceived in response to the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (NEPA). Figure 1-2 presents a summary of the major components of nine methodologies used in assessing environmental quality.

Four types of approaches are most common in present environmental

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assessment methodologies: checklist, matrix, network and overlay mapping. No single best approach exists, rather, the approach applied to any project should be tailored to the requirements of the area to be assessed.

The checklist approaches of Battelle, Stover, the Multi-agency Task Force, and the Tulsa Corps of Engineers are imaginative attempts to evaluate environmental impacts of water resources projects (Figure 1-2). However, certain shortcomings are apparent in incorporating these environmental quality measures in the impact evaluation process. Initially, they suffer from varying degrees of subjectiveness in the assignment of impact evaluations. This tends to reduce the reproducibility of the results obtained in the assessment. Secondly, little attention is given to the influence of human values as reflected in socio-economic conditions. Since regions where environmental assessments are undertaken have varying economic and social conditions, it is crucial for a thorough environmental evaluation to include a socio-economic assessment.

The major difficulty in evaluating environmental quality is not in measuring particular aspects of natural or human systems but in integrating such measurement into a comprehensive, reproducible system. None of the previously discussed methodologies completely satisfy the need for such a system. Each methodology provides impact measurements and evaluates them in terms of environmental quality but all of them fall short of providing man with the ability to evaluate and enhance the natural environment in relationship to the social values which guide environmental policy considerations. In addition, if the natural processes of ecological systems and human value systems were accurately evaluated by present methods there would remain a need to integrate them into a comprehensive quantification of environmental quality. It is the intention of this research to develop ecological standards tailored to the individual regions which are being assessed, to effectively evaluate the environmental quality of water resource developments, thereby, overcoming the disadvantages of present methods.

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FIGURE 1-2 A SIMPLIFIED COMPARISON OF ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT METHODOLOGIES

METHODOLOGY	APPROACH	ADVANTAGES	DISADVANTAGES
1. Battelle's Environmental Evaluation System for Water Resource Planning	Checklist	a. Emphasizes explicity; b. Weights the spatial and temporal aspects of impacts; c. 'Red flag' system	a. High resource requirement; b. Socio-economic areas are poorly dealt with.
2. Stover's Environmental Impact Assessment Procedure	Checklist	a. Allows flexibility; b. Method for alternative comparison.	a. Moderate to high resource requirements; b. Low replicability.
3. Multiagency Task Force's "Guidelines for implementing Principles and Standards for Multiobjective Planning of Water Resources"	Checklist	a. Wide applicability; b. No specific resource requirement.	a. Relies on too much subjective evaluation, hence highly variable results; b. Does not deal with socio-economic areas; c. Too rural-oriented in impact category design.
4. Tulsa District Corps of Engineers' Matrix Analysis	Checklist with Matrix display	a. Flexible data needs; b. Relative rather than absolute impact measurement.	a. No clear guidelines on impact measurement; b. Low replicability.
5. Battelle's Environmental Evaluation System for Water Quality Management	Checklist, Matrix and Network	a. Comprehensive and explicit in identifying impact; b. High flexibility in data needs; c. Replicability is comparitively higher than any other methods in existance.	a. Lack of economic variable; b. Not readily adaptable to other project types.

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FIGURE 1-2   A SIMPLIFIED COMPARISON OF ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT METHODOLOGIES (CONTINUED)

METHODOLOGY	APPROACH	ADVANTAGES	DISADVANTAGES
6. Odum's Optimum Pathway Matrix Analysis	Checklist and statistical tools	a. Statistical tool incorporated strengthen the alternatives selection power; b. Analyze wide range of impact types.	a. High resource requirements; b. Subjectiveness leads to low replicability; c. Limited to highway projects alternatives evaluation only.
7. Moore's method for evaluating manufacturing E.I.S. for Delaware's coastal zone.	Network	a. Networks to display cause-condition-effect; b. Secondary impacts traced; c. Useful for identifying impact.	a. Subjective evaluation leading to low reproducibility; b. Limited in applicability; c. Guidelines have to be proposed for defining evaluation categories.
8. Leopold's Interaction Matrix	Open-cell matrix	a. Identifies impacts visually; b. Resource requirements very flexible; c. Wide applicability.	a. Shortage of guidelines and reliance on subjective judgement leads to ambiguities, consequently low replicability; b. Economic and secondary impacts are not addressed.
9. Krauskopt's Evaluation of Environmental Impact through a Computer Modelling Process	Overlay technique by computer mapping	a. Graphic display of impacts and alternatives can be easily understood; b. Readily adaptable in regions and states with data bank system.	a. Very high resource requirement; b. Only practical for projects with small geographical area.

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CHAPTER II

LAND DEVELOPMENT PATTERNS

2.1 <u>Introduction</u>

When man established the first permanent settlements several
thousand years ago, the considerations which were most crucial to
survival concerned the settlement's relationship to the environment.
The availability of water was a major factor in the decision to locate
each community. The community of early generations was planned and
constructed around the natural source of water whatever form of extrac-
tion was employed.

Because of the technological progress, the city is no longer
constrained by most natural environmental factors. Swamps are drained,
hills leveled, and rivers dammed to allow the construction and operation
of urban centers. Close proximity to water is no longer a major consi-
deration in the development of urban areas. Conveyance systems now
transport water thousands of miles to cities in distant river basins.

2.2 Ecological Considerations

Since cities and all forms of human settlements still depend
upon the regional environment to assimilate the waste products of the
community, it is most important to consider the relationship of the
total environment to human society. Regions which are ecologically
different vary in their ability to provide human settlements with energy
and assimilate waste materials. Warm and humid regions have varied and
rapid biological growth and consequently the greatest biological poten-
tial. Regions where the climate is predominantly cold and dry have less
potential. This potential is directly related to the rate at which the
natural ecological systems assimilate nontoxic biodegradable substances.
Each ecological system has a point at which the intensity of the input
of these materials exceeds the processing potential. The overloading
of recipient ecological systems must be avoided to maintain a stable
healthy environment.

Land may be viewed as a medium for the retention or transmission
of environmental pollutants, although the effects of land pollution are
generally manifested through the action of water. The capacity of a
parcel of land to assimilate environmental pollutants is dependent not
only upon its physical characteristics but also upon man-made environ-
mental quality standards based on biological, societal, functional, or
aesthetic damage criteria.

Land may become polluted as a result of a variety of activities.
For example, leachates from livestock feedlots, inappropriately sited
sanitary landfills and septic fields, toxic industrial wastes from point
and non-point sources, and acid mine drainage can all lead to pollution
of the land and water resources. Polluted surface runoff from developed
land is a major contributor to the contamination of streams and lakes.
The volume and quality of the runoff waters is dependent to a large
degree on the capacity of the soil to absorb precipitation. This capacity
is significantly affected by extensive paving of urban areas, a condition
which frequently leads to the overtaxing of the capacity of adjacent land
areas to assimilate pollutants.

Assimilative capacity is dependent on the sensitivity to pollution of the bioecological system supported by a given unit of land. The relative vulnerability of some vegetation to pollution-induced changes in soil alkalinity or acidity and the impace of pesticides on the reproductive cycle of large predatory birds illustrates how the limited adoptive capability of ecological systems is inseparably linked to specific habitats.

The overall goal of environmental enhancement of water resources is dedicated to minimizing the waste materials, especially toxic, non-biodegradable substances, which are disposed of into natural ecological systems or stated in another way, to increase the stability of each ecological system by balancing man's input of materials with each system's capability to assimilate them. Obviously this is an idealistic view, but one which dramatizes the complexity of establishing ecological standards.

In principal, the type and intensity of land development and the attendant waste-generation processes can be matched to the capacity of the land resources in a river basin to assimilate environmental pollutants without degradation of environmental quality. Although the application of technological controls on pollutants to pollution-producing sources may significantly ease the stress on assimilative capacity, nothing less than a "zero discharge" or closed cycle processing technology can eliminate them altogether. The necessity of accepting such limitations in current pollution control technology makes matching land development levels to the assimilative capacities for a variety of pollutants a complex problem.

The regional constraints imposed by ecological characteristics of a given region should be influential in the establishment of the standards. The standards should be flexible enough to be applicable to widely varying conditions. Water resources of different forms have widely varying ecological systems and demand individually tailored standards.

2.3 Uniform Standards

The present trend in the institutional programs for environmental protection as it has developed under EPA, is toward uniform national emission and environmental quality standards. This tendency has been promoted by: (1) the complexity of the problem of developing multi-pollutant standards; (2) equity considerations; (3) the very real need to inhibit a precipitate migration of pollution-producing activities from urban areas (where they represent a major component of the employment and tax base) to "polluter's havens" established by local and state governments seeking advantages from locally lax pollution-control standards. The adoption of uniform, single-pollutant emission and environmental quality standards, whatever their conceptual, administrative, and aesthetic appeal, diminishes the possibility of taking advantage of spatial variations in the capacity to assimilate pollutants or of inducing desirable spatial concentrations of related pollution-producing activities. This limitation of current uniform standards policy might well be eliminated by environmental planning oriented to establishing indices of environmental quality based on spatially oriented standards.

The list of factors which influence the balance and diversity of ecological systems is very long. In actuality, very few ecological systems can be defined or categorized in detail to be the same as another. This "uniqueness property" of ecological systems compounds the problem of setting broad standards to evaluate ecological communities.

Therefore, ecological standards need to be based on some measurement of human involvement or level of modification of the "natural" condition. Since the level of human invasion of ecological systems is an indication of its future assimilation potential or lack thereof, the level of development of human settlements is directly related to the environmental integrity and stability of a region.

In order to establish meaningful and useful ecological standards the first step is to categorize land development levels in a manner which will best define the extent of human modifications of existing ecological system. Next it was determined that no subjective judgement was to be made as to whether the region was suitable for the existing level of

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development. The suitability of any parcel of land for human modification is an extremely complex and often emotional issue which was believed to be outside the theoretical limits of this study. Therefore, the standards are based on the existing conditions in a region with no speculation or analysis as to the suitability or prudence of the use of the land.

2.4 Human Involvement

The preservation of natural environments in close proximity to water resources should be a major goal in environment planning. The result of covering thousands of acres with concrete and steel has been the rapid degradation of the land, water and air in some regions. The effects of such pollution from urban areas are experienced in ever increasing distances from the source. The influence of the pollutants is especially critical to water resources since these resources are depended upon to assimilate large quantities of civilization's waste products. Ecological standards must, therefore, be based on the level of human involvement in each ecological system.

This level of human involvement or land development varies widely throughout the nation. There are ecological communities existing today that are scarcely modified by human action. Many acres of wilderness exist despite the late awakening to our ecological conditions.

The majority of land in the nation is in a condition somewhere between isolated wilderness and crowded urban conglomorations. The majority of this land is used for agricultural purposes. Substantial portions of these land areas also support forests and deserts. Although man's actions have modified the ecological communities in these areas, they maintain, in general, sufficient diversity and stability for their continual survival.

Tables 2-1 and 2-2 provide an overview of the nation's land use data. It is apparent from this data that the size of the areas consumed by urban growth is increasing. As the nation's population continues to increase, and a larger percentage of Americans choose to live near urban

TABLE 2-1   U.S. SUBURBAN POPULATION AND HOUSING, 1960 AND 1970 (IN MILLIONS)

	1960	1970	Percent Change
Total Metropolitan Area			
Population	120	139	+17
Housing Units	39	46	+20
Central Cities			
Population	61	64	+ 5
Housing Units	20	23	+11
Suburbs			
Population	59	76	+28
Housing Units	18	24	+31

Source: U.S. Bureau of the Census 1970.

TABLE 2-2   LAND USE IN THE U.S. 1959 AND 1969 (IN MILLIONS OF ACRES)

	1959	1969	Percent Change
Urban Areas	27.2	34.6	+ 7.3
Transportation Areas	24.7	26.0	+ 1.3
Recreation and Wildlife	61.5	81.4	+19.9
Public Installations and Facilities	27.5	27.4	- .1
Farmsteads	10.1	8.4	- 1.7

Source: U.S. Department of Agriculture 1969

centers, the cities will continue to expand. Previously, much of this growth has taken plance in a haphazard and uncontrolled manner, destroying many areas of natural scenic beauty and ecological integrity. Ecological standards should be designed to enhance the environmental conditions of a region regardless of its proximity to human settlements.

Given the dilemma of attempting to establish ecological standards for water resources in the wide spectrum of environments that exist, it became obvious that some method of differentiating between environmental conditions was necessary. To set a standard of minimum D.O., for example, at 8 mg/l would be realistic for a river which drains a wilderness area. Conversely, a D.O. standard of 8 mg/l would be unrealistic for the urban situation. A description of land use, condition and the associated human involvement is a prerequisite for the establishment of ecological standards.

2.5 Land Use

Traditional land use descriptions and categories are not applicable to developing ecological standards for water resources. For example, to breakdown land use into categories such as urban, suburban fringe, agricultural, forests, etc. is not practical for standardized evaluation.

An alpine meadow in a national forest used for summer grazing and a pasture on an urban fringe which supports dairy cattle year round, might both be catagorized as agricultural land use, but there is very little relationship between their conditions in the ecological system. The factors which influence one ecological system would not be the same factors which influenced the other. A major difference is the proximity of one area to a high concentration of population or human involvement in the urban ecological condition.

The development of ecological standards is, therefore, concentrated on two levels. The first is defining the degree of human influence over the related water resources environment. By measuring certain socio-economic indicators, it is possible to define with some

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consistency the human influence in terms of development levels of the
land in the water resource's region. Secondly, the ecological standards
are developed in response to the existing level of development in order
to reflect society's intrusion upon the ecological system of the water
resource. In this manner, it is possible to overcome many of the pro-
blems inherent in developing a broad methodology to be applied to a
highly variable problem. This approach allows the investigator to use
a standard, objective means to assess any water resource development in
terms of the ecological system, while maintaining the flexibility
required of any approach which describes the infinitely varied ecological
conditions throughout the nation.

CHAPTER III

DEVELOPMENT LEVEL INDICATORS

3.1 Introduction

Ecological standards applied to an area should be closely
related to the intensity of use of natural resources. In a highly deve-
loped area, the natural environment is said to be disturbed, abused and
exploited by man. As a consequence little space and resources are left
for the growth and survival of the natural vegetation and animals. In ·
order to allow efficient economic development, more flexible ecological
standards should be employed in these highly developed areas to allow
reasonable use of the natural resources. On the other hand, more res-
trictive ecological standards should be applied to the undeveloped areas
to protect the natural environment from further disturbance and deterio-
ration.

In order to tailor the ecological standards to individual regions
with varied ecological communities, the socio-economic characteristics of
a region were employed to indicate the degree of development of an area.
Where man constructs cities, the surrounding regional environment is
depended upon to assimilate many of the waste products of society or to
serve as a buffer zone between man and his wilderness. The capacity of
ecological systems to assimilate such materials varies with each system's

spatial location.

In areas with high population concentrations, the natural environment is modified to support human systems. Such modification by which stresses were placed upon the natural environment often results in a reduction of the natural diversity and stability of ecological systems. The health and stability expected of natural ecological systems is dependent upon the degree of human interaction in the system.

To assign uniform ecological standards to systems with such a great variation in assimilation potential is difficult. A more reasonable approach would be to consider similar ecological systems together and develop standards for these groupings. It seems reasonable that urbanized areas should not be expected to develop ecological communities of similar stability and diversity as wilderness areas. For these reasons, the research procedure was designed to delineate regions of ecological similarity.

Three natural divisions of environmental regions were identified after a thorough study of human environment. These regions correspond to the level of development of human systems (cities) in the environment. The preferred procedure is one where the level of development is measured by the socio-economic indices of the region. The level of development of a given region reflects the degree of human involvement (urbanization) in the natural environment. This level of human involvement in natural environments is then used to determine the strictness of the ecological standards that should be applied to a region.

3.2 Development Levels

Three levels of development were identified in this study to represent the environmental condition of the region under consideration. The least disturbed environments are designated as level I areas. A level I area is assigned the strictest ecological standards in order to preserve the area for the enhancement and protection of wildlife and flora communities. In any given study area the land which exhibits a low level of human involvement and integration in the ecological community is desig-

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nated as a level I conservation area.

The level II areas are designated by an intermediate level of human involvement in the ecological communities. Frequently, this land may be used for agricultural or recreational purposes. The standards for level II area are designed to allow more human interaction in the environment reflecting the necessity of utilizing ecological systems in these areas to assimilate the by-products of human society or to serve as a buffer zone to alleviate the tension man imposed on his environment. The level II standards are less restrictive than level I standards and therefore should not be applied to areas where conservation or preservation is a major goal as they allow some degree of disruption of ecological systems in the area.

Areas where large concentrations of population are located are designated as level III environments and the standards applied to these areas should be more tolerant of pollutants in the ecological systems. This tolerance should not exceed the capacity of the ecological systems in a region to assimilate society's by-products. The level III condition is characterized by an environment which is highly human oriented but which still preserves the stability and diversity of the natural ecosystems present in the region.

An area of land which has not been disturbed by man and has remained in its natural condition is ideal to be used as the basis for determining the land development levels. But because of the rapid pace of population growth and economic development, all the natural environments are disturbed more or less by man and it is unlikely to identify the undisturbed or virgin land. The objective of this research is to develop ecological stnadards by which natural environments may be preserved or enhanced so that future generations may be able to live in a livable environment. The difficulty arises when it is necessary to determine whether a piece of land has the value to be preserved for natural vegetations and wildlives, or should it be allowed for economic development or simply occupied by man. Because it is impossible to identify undisturbed land, such decisions can only be made on a relative base, or by simple comparison. Therefore, in order to accomplish such a task, it is suggested here that, in any study area, its level of human

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involvement in the ecological community be compared with those of other areas in the same geographical or political region, measured, quantified and used to make such decisions. It is, however, left to the decision of the users to determine the size of the region in which the comparison can be based.

A set of indicators were devised in this research to quantitatively measure the development level of an area and they can be used to express statistically the level of human involvement in a region. The indicators proposed by this study are inhabitance index, land value, intensity of water use, and transportation facility. It is not intended that these four indicators be exhaustive; users should feel free to employ additional indicators for their study area. All the estimates of the indicator are transformed into their corresponding indicator performance level by comparing it with the maximum value in the region. They are then weighted in proportion to their relative importance. The indicator performance levels are multiplied by their relative weights to obtain the weighted indicator performance levels which are then summed to obtain the development level estimates. The cutoff points on these development level estimates are determined to differentiate level I, II, and III regions.

3.3 Indicators and Their Performance Levels

3.3.1 Inhabitance Index

The economic growth or development of an area is primarily derived from human needs. In any economic activity, man plays a dual role as consumer and producer. Because man is such an important component of economic activities, indicators developed in terms of population measurement will appropriately describe the development levels.

Population density has been traditionally used as indicators of human settlement and socio-economic development. In reality, they are not capable of indicating the development level or describing the settle-

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ment pattern of an area. The ingrained qualities of these indicators can be very misleading when they are applied to choosing the ecological standards. A high population density in a given region can result in two different settlement patterns, highly concentrated and evenly distributed. Considering two regions with the same land areas and population, in the first region the population is concentrated on a very small part of land in an urban area, while there are few inhabitants in the rest of the region. Since population density is expressed as the average population for a given land area, the population density is represented as X people per square mile. The same population density would be recorded for a second region where the same sized population is evenly distributed over the region.

Consequently, if population density is used as an indicator of human disturbance of the ecological communities, the standards arrived at would be the same even though the settlement patterns, and therefore, the environmental condition of the regions are different.

To ammend the ineptitude of these commonly used indicators, an indicator termed Inhabitance Index (I.I.) is developed.

Inhabitance index is an indicator that explains the development level of a region in terms of its population size and their settlement pattern. There are many variables that affect inhabitance index and the function of inhabitance index can be expressed as follows:

$$\text{Inhabitance Index} = f(P_t, P_r, P_u, A_t, A_r, A_u, D_t, D_r, D_u \ldots)$$

$$\tag{3-1}$$

Where P_t = Total population

P_r = Rural population

P_u = Urban population

A_t = Total land area

A_r = Rural land area

A_u = Urban land area

D_t = Total population density

D_r = Rural population density

D_u = Urban population density

Some of these factors are not disjointed, but each has its own effect on the inhabitance index. The unit of population density is the number of persons per unit area. Thus if density is used as a variable, then using land area and population will be redundancy. With all the P's and A's discarded, the function of inhabitance index becomes:

$$\text{Inhabitance Index} = f(D_t, D_r, D_u, \ldots\ldots\ldots)$$

In the remaining three variables, total density reflects the total number of persons using natural resources on a given land area, rural population density is used to describe the settlement pattern, or in a more precise manner, it has a direct relationship with population dispersion and environmental disturbance. For example, considering two regions with similar total population density, the one with higher rural population density carries more population in the rural area, meaning higher dispersion of population; consequently, there will be a greater chance of the natural environment being disturbed and stressed (see also Example A in the discussion that follows). Urban population density, as a variable, does not possess such property to reflect the level of disturbance of the natural environment. Comparatively, D_t and D_r have much more accountable effect on the inhabitance index; hence D_u is discarded from the function. Therefore:

$$\text{Inhabitance Index} = f(D_r, D_t) \tag{3-2}$$

$$= (D_r)^x \cdot (D_t)^y \tag{3-3}$$

In the formula, exponents x and y are used to express the relative importance of total population density and rural population density. In this study, the use of data from Oklahoma counties showed that substitution of both x and y with a value of one will adequately reflect the development levels of the counties. Therefore:

$$I = (D_r) \cdot (D_t) \tag{3-4}$$

where I = Inhabitance index

In other regions, users of this formula can accordingly choose the x and y value with respect to the region's particular situation.

The properties and interrelationships of the three components of the equation will be discussed by using the following three examples.
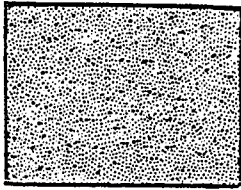
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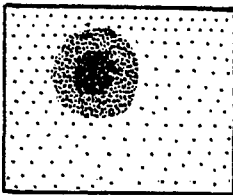
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Example A. This example illustrates the importance of rural population density in expressing settlement pattern. Consider two regions (a) and (b) having given conditions as follows:

Total area: $A_{ta} = A_{tb}$

Total population: $P_{ta} = P_{tb}$

Thus, total population density: $D_{ta} = D_{tb}$.
If region (b) has an urban center, obviously, it will have a lower rural population density. That is:

Rural population density: $D_{ra} > D_{rb}$

Under this condition, as seen in figures on the above, most of the land in region (a) is very likely to be developed and used while in region (b) fewer people will be disturbing the natural environment. Naturally, the development level in region (b) can be said to be lower, and hence, more crucial to preserve. This is expressed in notations as:

$$(D_{ta}) \cdot (D_{ra}) > (D_{tb}) \cdot (D_{rb})$$

Thus,

$$I_a > I_b$$
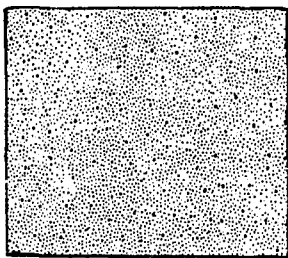
(c)

Example B. This example illustrates the importance of the total population in defining the development level. Consider two regions (c) and (d) having given conditions as follows:

Total area: $A_{tc} = A_{td}$

Rural population density: $D_{rc} = D_{rd}$

Total population: $P_{tc} < P_{td}$

If the rural population density of the two

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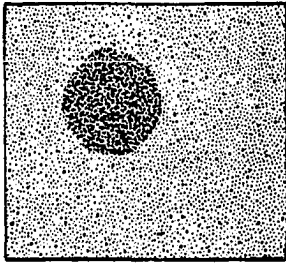
(d)

regions are the same and the total population of region (d) is greater than region (c)'s, there must be an urban center in region (d). And if the two areas are the same, the total population density of region (d) will be greater than that of region (c). That is,

Total population density: $D_{tc} < D_{td}$

When the total population density in region (c) is lower than that in region (d), the intensity of natural resource utilization will also be lower and consequently adaptable to a lower development level. When

$$D_{tc} < D_{td} , \quad \text{then}$$

$$(D_{tc}) \cdot (D_{rc}) < (D_{td}) \cdot (D_{rd})$$

Thus, $\quad I_c < I_d$

(e)

(f)

Example C. This example demonstrates the misconception that a high development level is associated with an urban area. Consider region (e) and (f) having given conditions as follows:
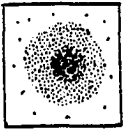
Total area: $A_{te} < A_{tf}$

Total population: $P_{te} = P_{tf}$

Thus,

Total population density: $D_{te} > D_{tf}$

Rural area: $A_{re} < A_{rf}$

Rural population: $P_{re} = P_{rf}$
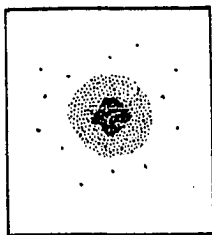
Thus,

Rural population density: $D_{re} > D_{rf}$

The total area of region (f) is larger than region (e), but both have a similar size urban center and urban fringe beyond which there are few inhabitants. Apparently, the total and rural population density of region (f) is smaller than that of region (e). Proportionally, region (f) has more land that is undisturbed, and thus, it should be assigned a lower development level.

From the above inequalities,

$$(D_{te}) \cdot (D_{re}) > (D_{tf}) \cdot (D_{rf})$$

Thus,

$$I_e > I_f$$

When the inhabitance index is plotted against its indicator performance level, their relationship can be shown in Figure 3-1.

Theoretically, the development level tends to follow the same direction as the inhabitance index. At the beginning, the slope is steep. Every unit increase in I value will increase the indicator performance level a great deal. As the I value increases, this phenomena becomes less pronounced. Finally, when the I value is very high, the curve will become almost level. That is to say, when the I value is extremely high, any change in the I value will no longer affect the indicator performance level.

If this is plotted on a semi-log paper, a straight line curve should result as shown in Figure 3-2.

The maximum of the scale of x-axis is the maximum I value in the region involved. Because of the linear relationship, the indicator performance level of any area in a region can be determined by the following formula:

$$P_i = \frac{\text{Log } I_i}{\text{Log } I_{max}} \times N \qquad (3-5)$$

$$= \frac{\text{Log } I_i}{\text{Log } I_{max}} \times 10 \qquad (3-6)$$

Where P_i = Indicator performance level of area i, dimensionless

I_i = Inhabitance index of area i, dimensionless

I_{max} = Maximum inhabitance index in the entire region, dimensionless

N = Maximum of the scale on indicator performance level, $N = 10$ in this study
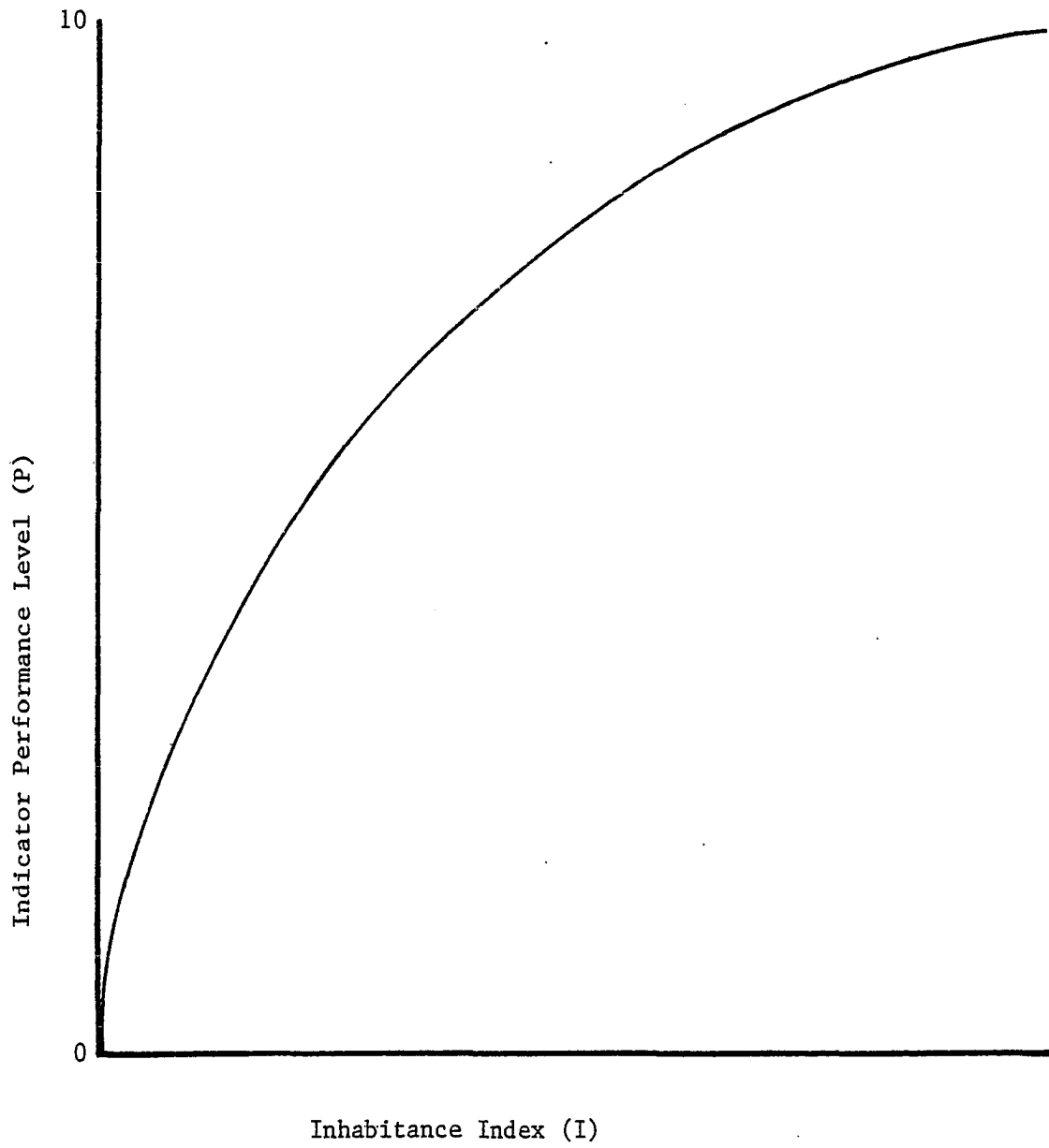
FIGURE 3-1   INDICATOR FUNCTION GRAPH OF INHABITANCE INDEX
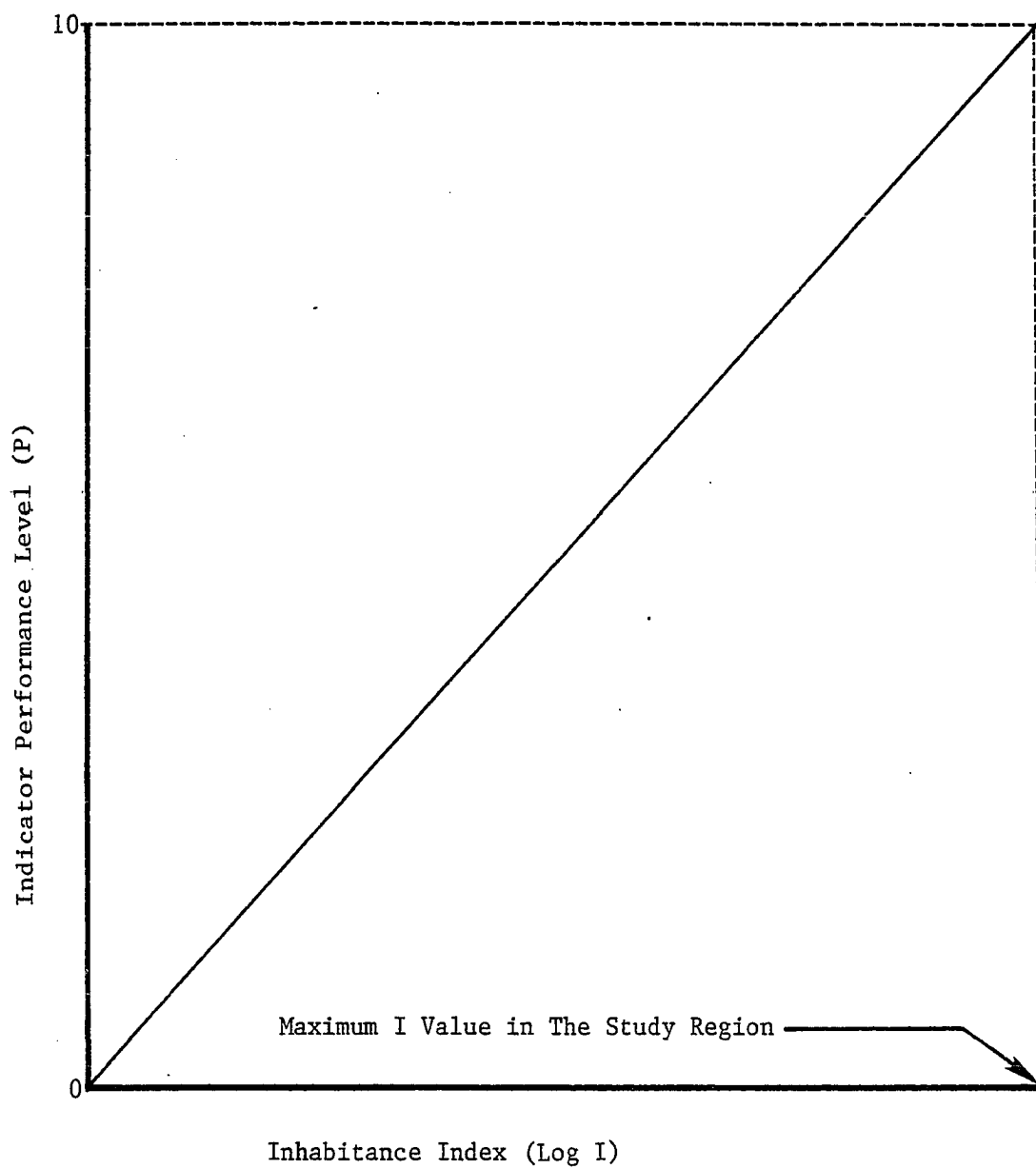
FIGURE 3-2   INDICATOR FUNCTION GRAPH OF (Log) INHABITANCE INDEX

The following two formula are used prior to the determination
of the performance level of inhabitance index:

$$D = \frac{P}{A} \qquad (3\text{-}7)$$

where D = Population density, persons/square mile

P = Population, number of persons

A = Land area, square miles

and

$$I = (D_r) \cdot (D_t)$$

Where I = Inhabitance index, dimensionless

D_r = Rural population density, persons/square mile

D_t = Total population density, persons/square mile

The data required includes total population, percentage of
rural population, total and rural land area. The former two can be
obtained from the local chamber of commerce or the U.S. Census of Popu-
lation, while the latter two can be obtained from the U.S. Department of
Agriculture, Census of Agriculture or the Soil Conservation Service.
These data requirements along with the steps of determining the perfor-
mance level of the inhabitance index are shown in Table 3-1.

3.3.2 Land Value

The interrelationship between man and land is complex. The
value of land has changed countless times as the role of land changed
through history. In the past, man shedded blood in protecting and
acquiring land, and at times land was considered to be more valuable
than human life. Today, the relationship may not be that drastic, but
it is still very fundamental and significant because man's survival is
based upon the wise use of land.

Economists refer to land along with labor, capital and manage-
ment as one of the basic factors of production. Land resources did not
become a matter of serious economic significance until people began to

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TABLE 3-1 DATA COLLECTION AND CALCULATION OF INHABITANCE INDEX INDICATOR

Item to be Determined	Data Required	Source	Calculation
1) Rural population density of area i (D_{ri})	(i) Percentage of rural population in area i	U.S. Census of Population	$D_{ri} = \dfrac{(i) \times (iii)}{(ii)}$
	(ii) Rural land area of area i (A_{ri})	Census of Agriculture or Soil Conservation Service	
	(iii) Total population of area i (P_{ti})	U.S. Census of Population	
2) Total population density of area i (D_{ti})	(iv) Total land area of area i (A_{ti})	Census of Agriculture	$D_{ti} = \dfrac{(iii)}{(iv)}$
3) Inhabitance index of area i (I_i)		Caculated	$I_i = (D_{ri}) \cdot (D_{ti})$ = (1)·(2)
4) Performance level of inhabitance index in area i (P_i)	(v) Maximum value of inhabitance index in the study region (I_{max})	Calculated	$P_i = \dfrac{\text{Log } I_i}{\text{Log}(v)} \times 10$

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systematically exploit it in competing with other people for its use or control, and in doing so, a definite price or value was attached to it.

The operation of value or a price system in economics is attributed to two major forces: supply and demand. In allocating land resources, it is necessary to emphasize the effective demand (i.e., the willingness and ability to buy land) rather than the unattainable needs or desires. Contrary to most products or goods, there is a natural limit on the land supply. Under free market conditions, prices are established through the interaction of demand and supply. This interaction is depicted in Figure 3-3. In this model, SS' represents the schedule of increasing quantities of land that the sellers would offer in the market at a series of rising prices. DD' represents the schedule of increasing quantities of land that the buyers would take in the same market at a series of decreasing prices. It can be noted that there is a physical limit of expansion FF' set by the world's fixed land area. With these supply and demand schedules, P, the intersection between SS' and DD', will be the only possible equilibrium price at which the quantity of land offered by sellers and the quantity that buyers are willing to buy are equal.

Land resources tend to be used in such a manner that will yield a higher return to the operator. In this society, land can usually earn a higher return when used for commercial or industrial purposes. Residential uses have the next priority, followed by various other types of use: cropland, pasture, grazing, forest and other land. Urban land area which includes very large sectors of commercial, industrial and residential areas have the greatest human modification. Land in urban areas is relatively scarce in supply compared to that in rural areas because more people are competing in a smaller land space. The high capitalized values on urban land thus are commanded by the price system which in turn is governed by the forces of supply and demand. It can be deduced from here that the higher the development level, the more intensely people compete for land, consequently, giving rise to higher land values. Therefore, land value is capable of being a significant indicator of the development level of a region.

Graphically, land value indicator performance level (P) tends

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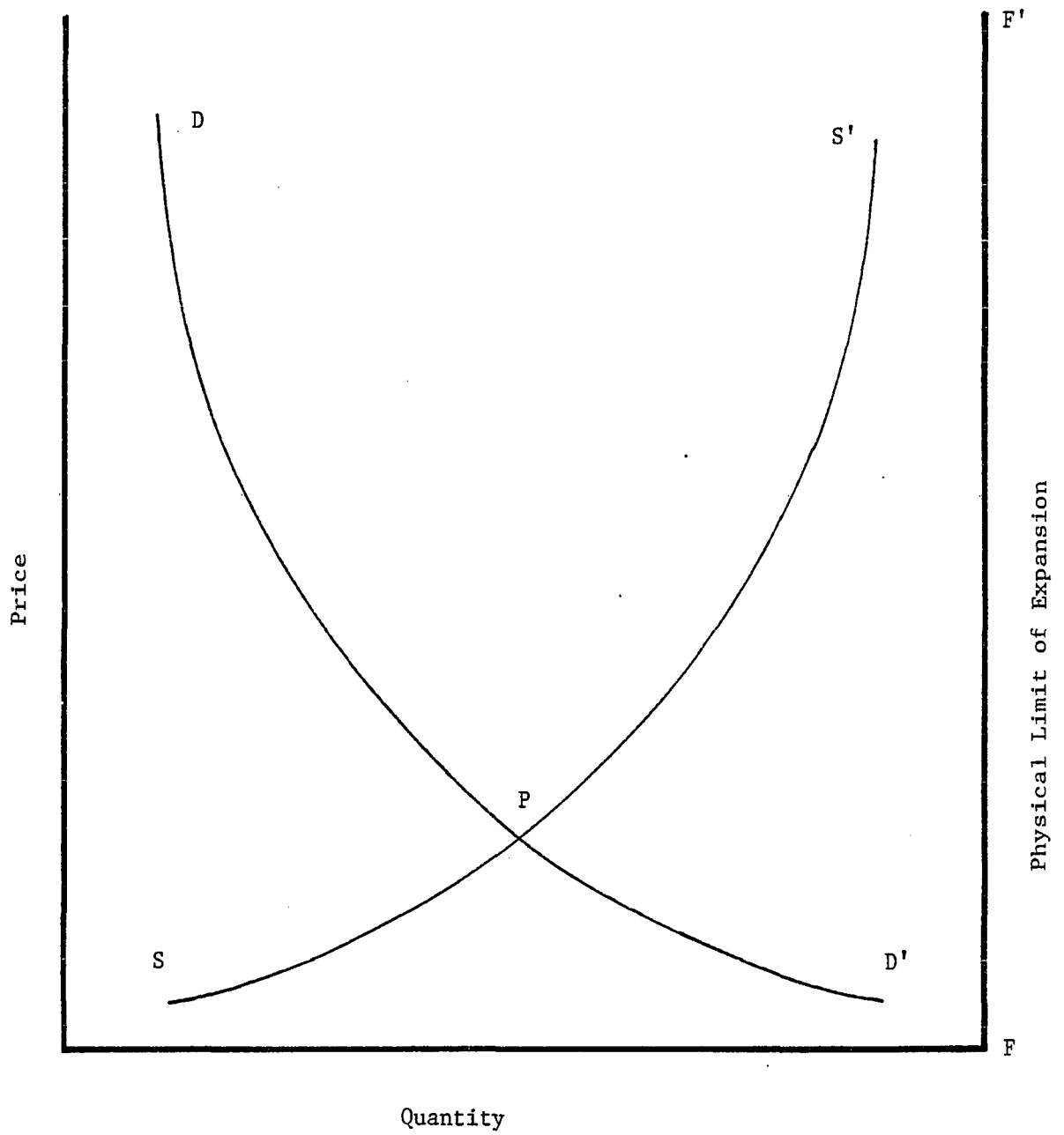
FIGURE 3-3   INTERACTION OF SUPPLY AND DEMAND FACTORS IN DETERMINING LAND PRICE
UNDER FREE MARKET CONDITIONS

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to follow the same direction as land value per acre (L). The indicator function graph, as shown on Figure 3-4, is very similar to that of the inhabitance index. At the beginning, the slope is steep; every unit increase in the L value will increase the performance level drastically. As the L value increases, the rate of increase of P decreases. When the L value is very high, the curve becomes horizontal. This means that when the L value is very high, increases in the L value will have a very slight influence on increasing the indicator performance level. If this graph is plotted on the semi-log paper, a straight line should result as shown in Figure 3-5. The maximum of the scale of the X-axis is the maximum L value in the study region.

In many cases, data is available only in forms of rural land value and urban land value. The average land value can be determined by using the following equation:

$$L_i = L_{ui} \cdot A_{ui} + L_{ri} \cdot A_{ri} \qquad (3\text{-}8)$$

where L_i = Average land value of area i, dollars per acre

L_{ui} = Urban land value of area i, dollars per acre

A_{ui} = Percentage of urban land in area i

L_{ri} = Rural land value of area i, dollars per acre

A_{ri} = Percentage of rural land in area i

Because of the linear relationship of Log L and the indicator performance level, the land value indicatior performance level of an area in a region can be determined by the following formula:

$$P_i = \frac{\text{Log } L_i}{\text{Log } L_{max}} \times N \qquad (3\text{-}9)$$

$$= \frac{\text{Log } L_i}{\text{Log } L_{max}} \times 10 \qquad (3\text{-}10)$$

where P_i = Indicator performance level of area i, dimensionless

L_i = Average land value of area i, dollars per acre

L_{max} = Maximum average land value in the study region, dollars per acre

N = Maximum of the scale on the axis of indicator performance level, N = 10 in this study
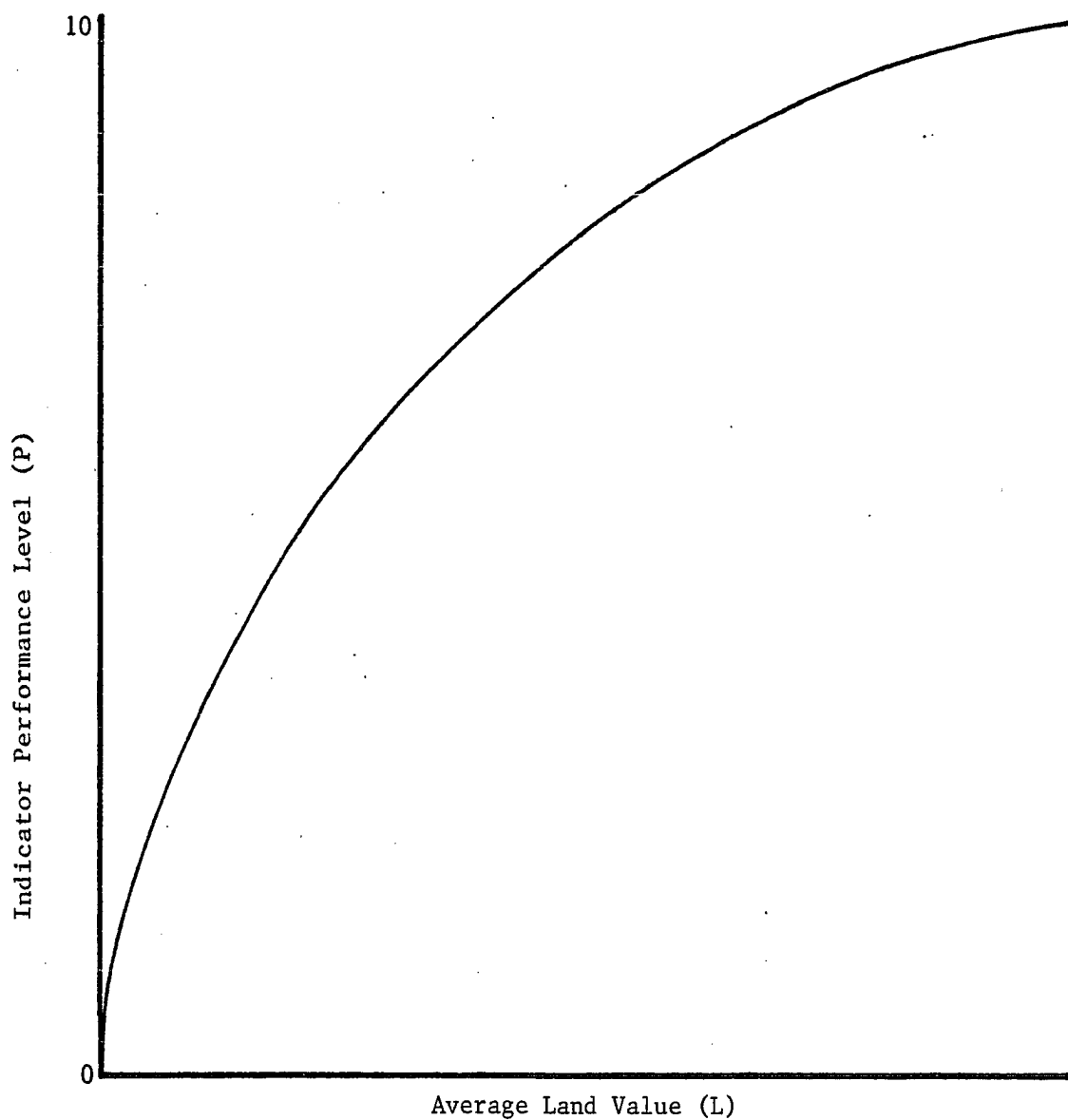
FIGURE 3-4 INDICATOR FUNCTION GRAPH OF LAND VALUE
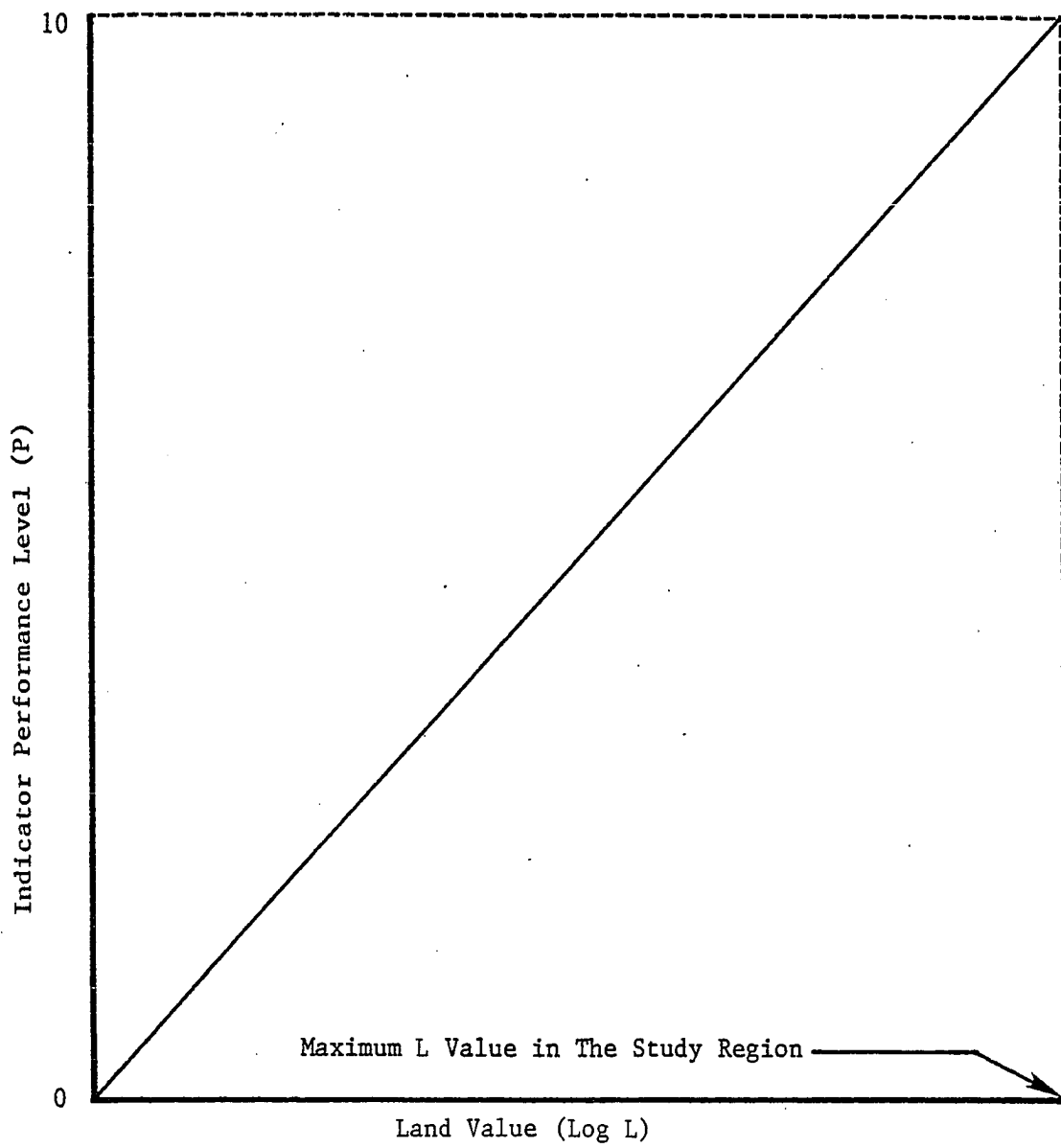
FIGURE 3-5   INDICATOR FUNCTION GRAPH OF (Log) LAND VALUE

The only data requirement is average land value which may be obtained through the State Tax Commission. If only rural land value and urban land value are available, the percentages of rural land and urban land are also needed for computing average land value, and can be obtained from the Census of Agriculture or the Soil Conservation Service. The data requirements along with data source and steps of determining the land value indicator performance level are listed in Table 3-2.

3.3.3 Intensity of Water Use

Land and water are often referred to as inseparable natural resources because both of them underlie economic growth and provide all the necessary elements of man's survival.

Since water is essential to all living organisms for their survival and growth, it is required for human consumption and the growth of agricultural products. In addition to meeting the consumptive requirement of living organisms, water may serve as a medium on which goods can be transported. Flowing water may be used to provide a source of power. The same main course may also provide a habitat for fish and wildlife on which man feeds and hunts for sports. Water may also provide the setting required to satisfy man's aesthetic and recreational needs. Water may serve as a means of diluting and purifying wastes from cities and industries, as well as the means of cooling in industrial production. Influence of water on human life has not always been beneficial: the uncontrolled river may be very destructive, flood control or prevention then becomes necessary.

All beneficial uses of wtere resources can be categorized into two major groups: consumptive uses and non-consumptive uses. Consumptive use implies that water is taken from its natural course and used on the land. Irrigation, municipal and industrial uses are among this type of water use. Non-consumptive uses are those uses in which water is used and remains in its natural channel. These include navigation, hydro-

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TABLE 3-2 DATA COLLECTION AND CALCULATION OF LAND VALUE INDICATOR

Item to be Determined	Data Required	Source	Calculation
	(i) Average land value of area i (L_i)	State Tax Commission	
if(i) is not available (1) Average land value of area i (L_i)	(ii) Urban land value of area i (L_{ui}) (iii) Percentage of urban land in area i (A_{ui}) (iv) Rural land value of area i (L_{ri}) (v) Percentage of rural land in area i (A_{ri})	State Tax Commission Census of Agriculture or Soil Conservation Service State Tax Commission Census of Agriculture or Soil Conservation Service	$L_i = (ii) \times (iii) + (iv) \times (v)$
(2) Land value indicator performance level (P_i)	(vi) Maximum value of land value in study region (L_{max})	Calculated	$P_i = \dfrac{\text{Log } L_i}{\text{Log (vi)}} \times 10$

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electric power, recreation, fish and wildlife. Water used for consumptive purposes and electircity can be appropriated, metered and sold in measurable units. It can be sold as a commodity in relation to the demands of users who are willing to pay the market price.

In this country, water resources development has been an issue in public policy at local, state and federal levels of government for over a century. However, it was not unitl the late 1940's and early 1950's that economics was applied to issues in water policy. Economists played a dominant role in the early work of water resources development planning. By the late 1950's and early 1960's, a wider professional concern with public investment in water resources grew. It was also then that an emerging awareness of water as a controlling factor in economic growth was suggested by large numbers of government reports and conferences devoted to this subject. A good example is Senate Document No. 97, Policies, Standards, and Procedures in the Formulation, Evaluation, and Review of Plans for Use and Development of Water and Related Land Resources. It is stated in this document that "water and related land resources development and management are essential to economic development and growth . . ."(90).

There are many variables affecting the intensity of water use. Their relationship can be expressed in the following funciton:

$$\text{Intensity of water use} = f(M, I, A, N, H, R, F \ldots) \quad (3\text{-}11)$$

Where M = Municipal water use

      I = Industrial water use

      A = Agricultural water use

      N = Navigation

      H = Hydroelectric power

      R = Recreational water use

      F = Flood control

In this study, water used for domestic, municipal and industrial purposes per unit area is used as the measurement of the intensity of water use indicator, and can be obtained by the following formula:

$$W = \frac{M + I}{A} \hspace{4cm} (3-12)$$

where W = Intensity of water use, acre-feet/square mile-year

M = Annual municipal water use, acre-feet/year

I = Annual industrial water use, acre-feet/year

A = Total land area, square miles

In this equation, all the non-consumption water uses are excluded because they are presently not quantifiable. The existing methods of quantifying these water uses require subjective judgements and tend to be biased. Among the consumptive uses, irrigation is not included since the amounts of water needed for irrigation purposes vary from region to region because of the different climate. Within the same region, because of the difference in the crops cultivated, the amount of irrigative water used will again vary. It is obvious that the attempt to compare uses of irrigation water on an equal basis is a very difficult task. In essence, measurements on domestic, municipal and industrial water uses are sufficient for indicating development level.

Municipal and industrial consumptive uses of water are the primary requirements of any human society. In any region an enormous amount of this type of water use is often associated with high population density or intensive economic activities, and, thus, higher development level and vice versa. From this, one may conclude that intensity of water use (W) and its performance level tends to follow the same direction. Their relationship is shown in Figure 3-6. The slope of the curve is very steep at the beginning, then, as the W value increases, the rate of increase of P decreases. Finally, when the W value is very high, the curve approaches horizontal. When this graph is plotted on semi-log paper, a straight line will result as shown in Figure 3-7. The maximum of the scale of the X-axis on both graphs is the maximum W value in the study region. Because of the linear relationship of log W and indicator performance level, the intensity of water use indicator performance level can be obtained by the following formula:

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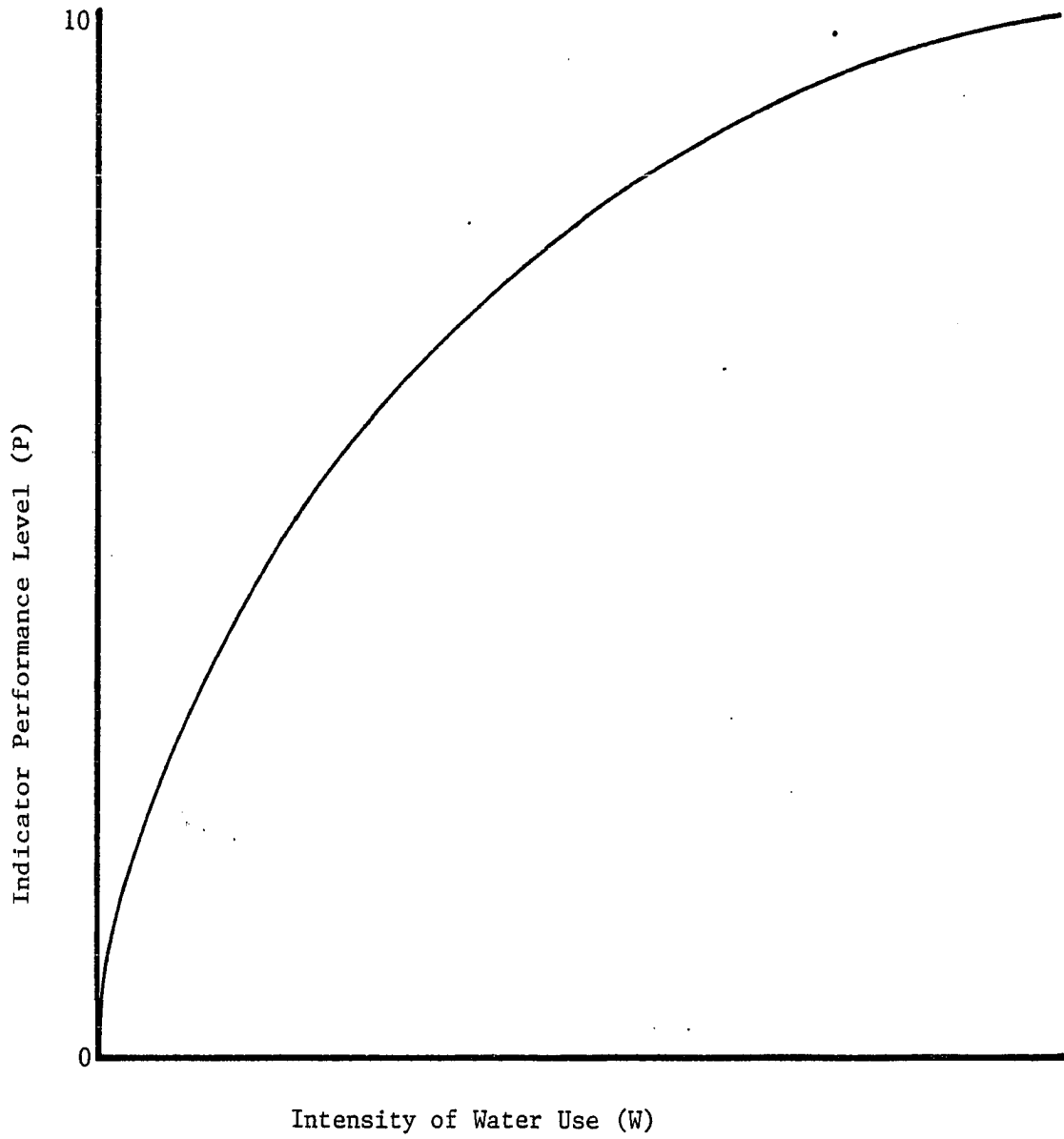
FIGURE 3-6 INDICATOR FUNCTION GRAPH OF INTENSITY OF WATER USE
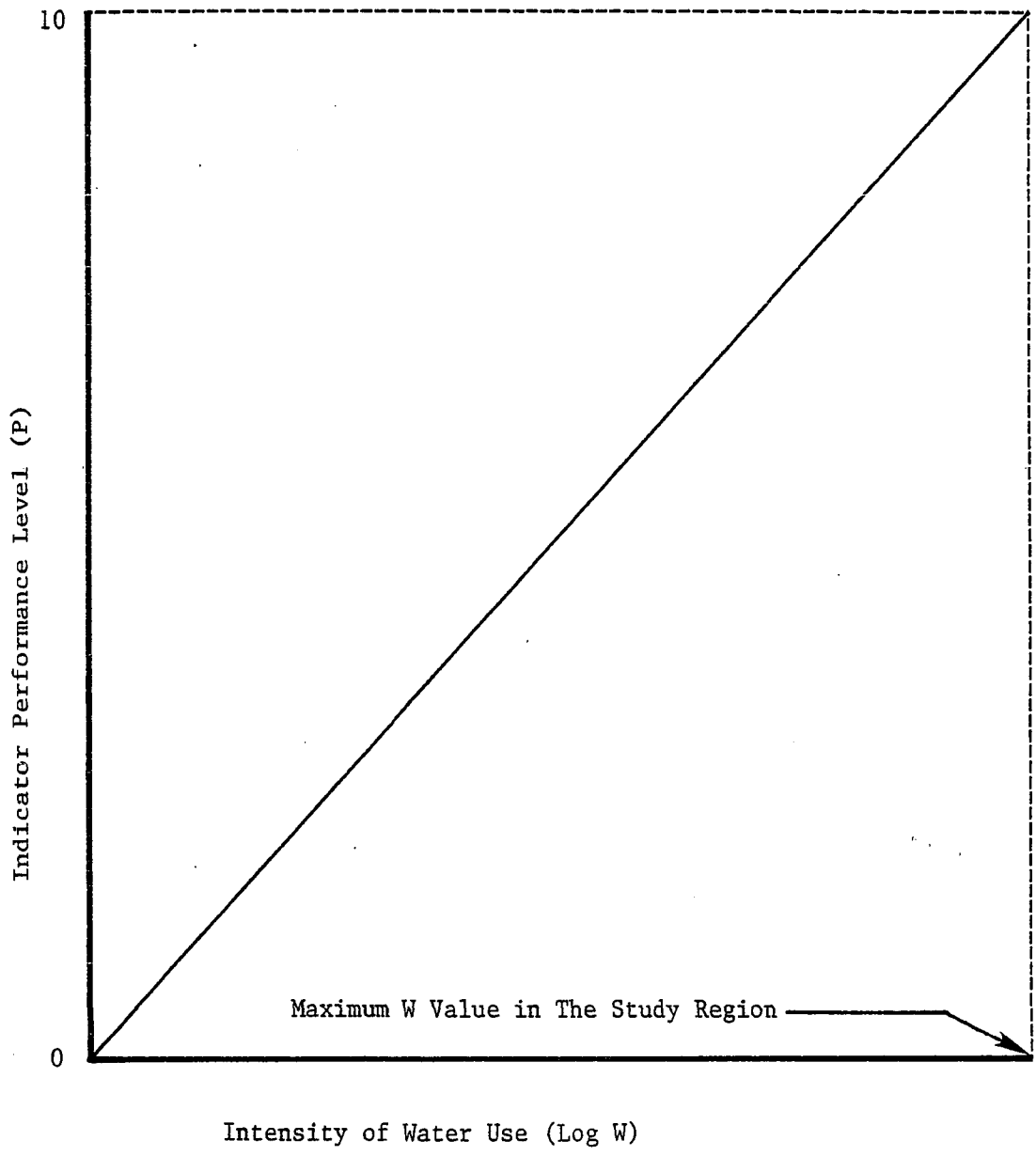
FIGURE 3-7   INDICATOR FUNCTION GRAPH OF (Log) INTENSITY OF WATER USE

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$$P_i = \frac{\text{Log } W_i}{\text{Log } W_{max}} \times N \qquad\qquad (3\text{-}13)$$

$$= \frac{\text{Log } W_i}{\text{Log } W_{max}} \times 10 \qquad\qquad (3\text{-}14)$$

where P_i = Indicator performance level of area i, dimensionless

W_i = Intensity of water use of area i, acre-feet/square mile

W_{max} = Maximum value of intensity of water use in the study region, acre-feet/square mile

N = Maximum of the scale on the axis of indicator performance level, N = 10 in this study

The data requirements include annual municipal and industrial water use and total land area. They can be obtained from the state water resources planning agency and the Census of Agriculture, respectively. Data requirements, data sources and calculation of indicator performance levels are listed on Table 3-3.

3.3.4 Transportation Facilities

Location factors have been important in affecting natural resources development. Land resources which are readily accessible always have the first priority to be modified and developed by human action. In the past, the inadequacy of transportation facilities has presented great limitations to land resources development, yet its improvements have greatly extended the margins of land development. Numerous examples of this kind can be found in the history of American land settlement. High transportation costs were a real problem to the farmers in the southern colonies. Decades ago, most farmers tended to locate their farms along navigable streams. Since then, the development of highways, canals, and railroads has notably facilitated the develop-

TABLE 3-3 DATA COLLECTION AND CALCULATION OF INTENSITY OF WATER USE INDICATOR

Item to be Determined	Data Required	Source	Calculation
1) Intensity of water use of area i (W_i)	(i) Annual municipal water use of area i (M_i)	State Water Resources Planning Agency	$W_i = \dfrac{(i) + (ii)}{(iii)}$
	(ii) Annual industrial water use of area i (I_i)	State Water Resources Planning Agency	
	(iii) Total land area of area i (A_i)	Census of Agriculture	
2) Performance level of intensity of water use indicator of area i (P_i)	(iv) Maximum value of intensity of water use in study region (W_{max})	Calculated	$P_i = \dfrac{Log\ W_i}{Log\ (iv)} \times 10$

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ment of many frontier areas which were once conceived as "no man's land". The opening of the Erie Canal made the cost of shipping products from Albany to Buffalo drop from $88 to $6 a ton (3). This encouraged the development of western New York and many lands farther west. Railroad construction made it economically feasible for the farmers in the South and West to sell their products in the East where the industrial centers were located.

Besides being very influencial on rural agricultural development, transportation facilities have very important effects on urban growth and urban land use.

Since the beginning of urban center development, urban growth has been favored by the locations along ocean and lake harbors, near the mouths of navigable streams, and at intersections of land trade routes. The development of railroads, highways, and air travel have brought the advantages of good transportation facilities to many new areas. These developments have also enhanced the advantages enjoyed by cities with good locations. The growth of great port cities such as Boston, New York, and San Francisco can be attributed both to the world trades and to the industries and commercial establishments located in these cities because of the transshipment of goods and materials taking place in these cities. Inland cities such as Chicago, St. Paul and Dallas have comparable advantages because of their location as railroad and highway centers. In contrast, many towns by-passed by railroads and early highways have virtually disappeared.

Urban growth calls for the transportation facilities within the urban area. The fourfold classification of commercial, industrial, residential and service uses is adequate for almost all urban land use.

The success of a commercial establishment often depends upon the choice of a business location which is often found in the central business district at or near the site most likely to be visited by the greatest number of potential customers. Industrialists try to maximize their returns by minimizing the transportation costs of transfering the materials and products to and from the production sites. Residents prefer to live in areas which are convenient for them to get to their working plances, to the shopping areas, and to the places for satisfac-

tion of various wants. Service areas need to be so located that they are readily accessible to their clients. Since these needs for transportation facilities are proportional to the size of the urban area, large cities usually have large total mileage of streets.

From here, one may soundly conclude that transportation facilities are indispensible for the development of both rural and urban areas and thus can be a meaningful indicator of development level. In this study, average mileage of highways and streets per square mile of land is used as the measurement of this indicator because it is the primary as well as the most dominant type among all types of transportation facilities. Railways no longer possess the significance they had in the past because of a lack of mobility. Harbors and airports generally come into existance after highways and streets do. An area with very dense transportation facilities such as highways and streets is inevitably associated with a high development level.

The measurement of transportation facilities indicator can be obtained by using the following equation:

$$T_i = \frac{H_i + S_i}{A_i} \qquad (3-15)$$

where T_i = Transportation facilities indicator of area i, miles per square mile

   H_i = Total mileage of highways in area i, miles

   S_i = Total mileage of streets in area i, miles

   A_i = Land area of area i, square miles

There is a directly proportional relationship between transportation facilities indicator and its indicator performance level from which the development level is determined. This relationship is illustrated on Figure 3-8. Again, the upper limit of X-axis is the maximal value of transportation facilities indicator in the entire region.

Because of the direct proportional relationship of the transportation facilities indicator and indicator performance level, the indicator performance level of an area can be calculated from the
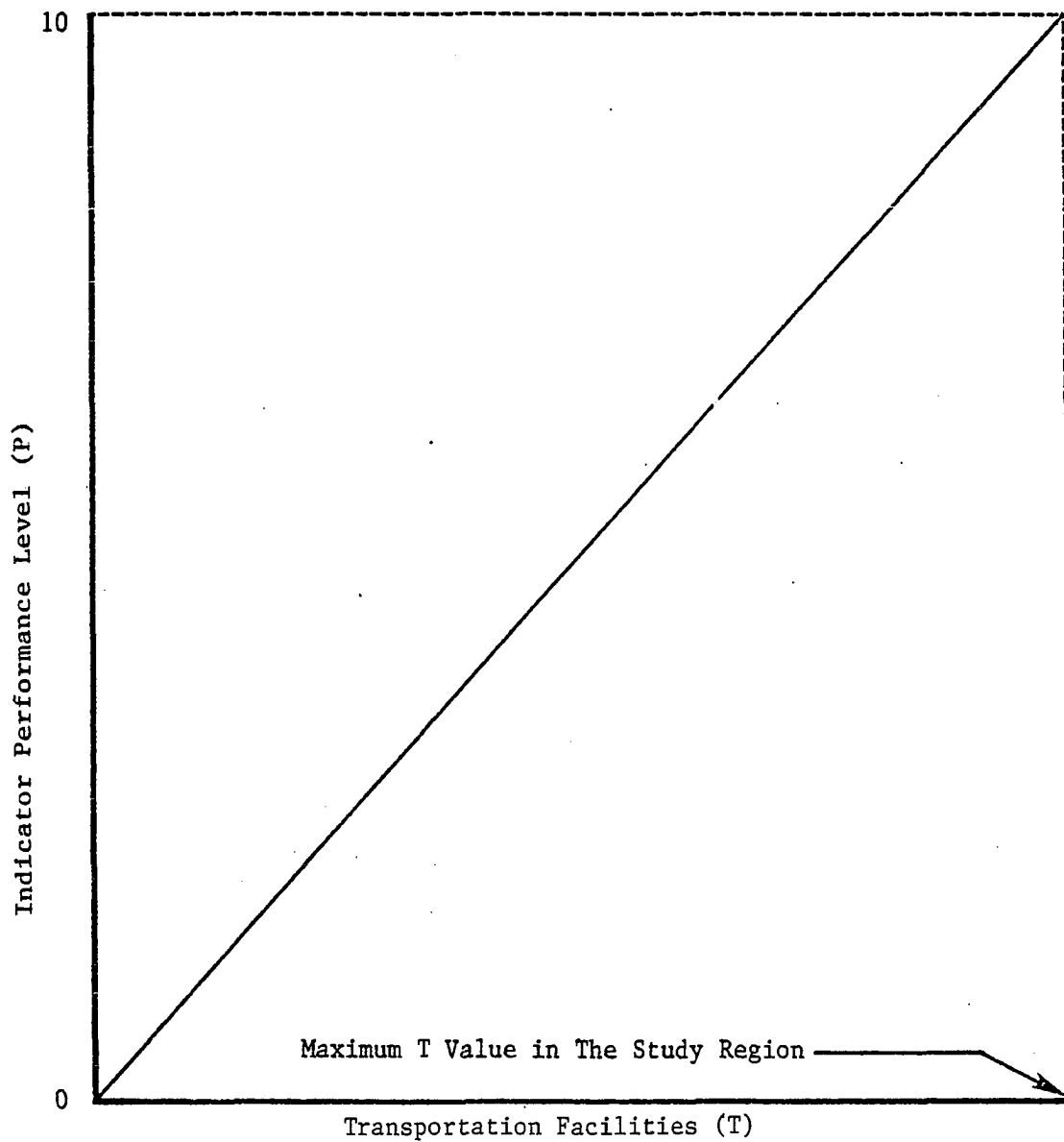
FIGURE 3-8 INDICATOR FUNCTION GRAPH OF TRANSPORTATION FACILITIES

following equation:

$$P_i = \frac{T_i}{T_{max}} \times N \qquad\qquad (3\text{-}16)$$

$$= \frac{T_i}{T_{max}} \times 10 \qquad\qquad (3\text{-}17)$$

where P_i = Indicator performance level of area i, dimensionless

T_i = Transportation facilities indicator of area i,
miles per square mile

T_{max} = Maximal value of transportation facilities indicator in the entire region, miles per square mile

N = Maximum value on the scale of indicator performance level, N = 10 in this study

Data required to compute the transportation facilities indicator include mileage of highways and streets, and total land area. The former can be collected from the State Highway Department, the later from the Census of Agriculture or the Soil Conservation Service. Data requirements, data source and calculation of this indicator and its performance level are listed in Table 3-4.

3.4 Assignment of Weight to Indicators

The weights assigned to development level indicators of this chapter, even though subjective, are actually determined from very objective reasoning. By comparing the relative importance of the indicators, weights are accordingly assigned.

Among the four development level indicators, inhabitance index possesses, most probably, the highest potential in revealing the development level of an area. Economic activities and development of an area are the inherent results of human needs. A piece of land uninhabited is very unlikely to have any economic activity, let alone development and utilization of the natural resources in the locality. Apart from the

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TABLE 3-4 DATA COLLECTION AND CALCULATION OF TRANSPORTATION FACILITIES
          INDICATOR

TO BE DETERMINED	DATA REQUIRED	DATA SOURCE	CALCULATION
1) Transportation facilities indicator of area i (T_i)	(i) Total mileage of highways in area i (H_i)	State Highway Department	$T_i = \dfrac{(i)+(ii)}{(iii)}$
	(ii) Total mileage of streets in area i (S_i)	State Highway Department	
	(iii) Total land area of area i (A_i)	Census of Agriculture or Soil Conservation Service	
2) Transportation facilities indicator performance level (P_i)	(iv) Maximum value of transportation facilities indicator in area i (T_{max})	Caculated	$P_i = \dfrac{T_i}{T_{max}} \times 10$ $= \dfrac{(1)}{(iv)} \times 10$

size of population, the degree of development of natural resources of an area is also greatly affected by the settlement pattern. If an area is evenly inhabited and without dense inhabitant clusters, it is very likely that every piece of land in the region will be utilized by man. The result is a high development level for the region. In this study, the inhabitance index not only considered the size of population inhabiting an area, it also took into consideration the settlement pattern of the inhabitants (see the earlier discussion). Because the inhabitance index is estimated in terms of the essence of economic development --- humans, who are also the most important component of the entire ecological community, it is thus assigned to greatest weight.

Land resources are another required element of economic development. Historically, the history of economic evolution and development can be just as accurately termed the history of man's exploitation and utilization of land resources (or, equally, the history of the relationship between man and land resources). The intensity of the economic activity of a region, or the intensity of the exploitation of land resources normally and directly can be reflected by the land values of the region. Thus, a weight of reasonably high value was assigned to land value indicators, but it should be lower than that assigned to the inhabitance index indicator. The rationale here is that in any economic activity, man is the active participant, while land is the passive participant, and while the inhabitance index indicator estimates in terms of population, the land value indicator estimates development level in terms of land resources. It is obvious, when the two are compared, that slightly smaller weight should be assigned to the land value indicator.

Water and land as resources for human use are very similar in nature, but not identical. Both exist as natural resources, and neither can be neglected; because they are both primary requirements for human survival. For any piece of land, the soil types and locality determine the uniqueness of that land. Land is an immobile commodity; the unique feature of a piece of land can significantly affect the development of an area and vise versa. But, because of advances in scientific and engineering technology, water resource, once a localized commodity like land resource, has become a mobile commodity. Interbasin transfer of

water supply is no longer an insurmountable task, and with today's technology, water shortage in a region can be solved with certainty. The degree of development of an area is no longer solely controlled by the available water resources in the area. In this respect, the intensity of water use, which is capable of accurately reflecting the level of development is relatively less effective as an indicator than the land value indicator. Hence, a slightly smaller weight is assigned.

Transportation facilities (as an indicator, is measured in terms of mileage of highways and streets) at one time were major factors in the development of an area. But like water resources, they are not as direct and effective as the inhabitance index or land value indicators in assessing the development level of an area. The quantity of transportation facilities in particular mileage of highways and streets, is strictly speaking, not sufficient to reflect development level, it merely reflects the potential for development. The frequency of use of the transportation facilities is another important factor that should be included. For example, in two areas that have the same mileage of highways and streets, the area that has a higher frequency of use of its highways and streets definitely has a higher development level. The use of frequencies of highways and streets are important, but useable data is seldom available. Data that is available is usually fragmented and incomplete; and to do traffic counts for all the highways and streets of a region is beyond reason due to high data cost. The impossibility of including the frequency of use in this indicator has caused it to become less significant as an estimate of development level. A weight, equal to that assigned to the intensity of water use, is thus given.

Conclusively, from the above rationale, the relative weights assigned to the four indicators are as follows:

Development Level Indicator	Relative Weight
Inhabitance index	5
Land value	4
Intensity of water use	3
Transportation facilities	3

The weighted indicator performance level can be obtained by using the following formula:

$$P'_j = P_j \times W_j \qquad (3-18)$$

where $\quad P'_j$ = Weighted indicator performance level of indicator j, dimensionless

$\quad P_j$ = Indicator performance level of indicator j, dimensionless

$\quad W_j$ = Weight assigned to indicator j, dimensionless

when $j = 1$, P_j = Indicator performance level of inhabitance index

$\qquad W_j = 5$

$\quad j = 2$, P_j = Indicator performance level of land value

$\qquad W_j = 4$

$\quad j = 3$, P_j = Indicator performance level of intensity of water use

$\qquad W_j = 3$

$\quad j = 4$, P_j = Indicator performance level of transportation facilities

$\qquad W_j = 3$

3.5 Determination of Development Level

In order to determine the development level of an area, it is necessary to compute the development level estimate of each area in the entire region, which is defined by the following equation:

$$E_i = \sum_{j=1}^{4} P'_{ij} \qquad (3-19)$$

$$= \sum_{j=1}^{4} P_{ij} \cdot W_j \qquad (3-20)$$

where E_i = Development level estimate of area i

P'_{ij} = Weighted indicator performance level of indicator j in area i

P_{ij} = Indicator performance level of indicator j in area i

W_j = Weight assigned to indicator j

i = 1,2,3,....,n. n is the number of areas in the study region

After obtaining the development estimates of all areas in the study region, their mean and standard deviation can be determined. Any area with a development level estimate within the range of mean ± standard deviation is considered as level II area, below this range as level I area, and above this range as level III area.

CHAPTER IV

ECOLOGICAL PARAMETERS

4.1 Introduction

In this research, twelve ecological parameters are developed for
the purpose of environmental evaluation. These twelve parameters can be
evenly grouped into three catagories:

A. Flora

   a. Terrestrial Natural Vegetation

   b. Productivity of Aquatic Flora

   c. Terrestrial Flora Species Diversity

   d. Vegetation Land Use (Aesthetic)

B. Fauna

   a. Dynamic Ratio of Fish Population

   b. Waterfowl Habitat

   c. Terrestrial Fauna Species Diversity

   d. Fauna Species Composition (Aesthetic)

C. Biota

   a. Pest Species

   b. Utilization of Carrying Capacity

   c. Terrestrial Food Web

   d. Aquatic Food Web

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To assess the environment or to determine how well each component of the environment performs, a measuring scale was set up in this research. This scale ranges from -1 to 0 and from 0 to +1. A zero value is designated as the standard value. A scale value of -1 denotes extremely poor environmental performance, while excellent performance is represented by +1 scale value. The performance of the ecological communities are assigned a scale value between the two extremes.

This assignment is based upon the idea of preservation and enhancement of ecological systems. An ecological performance with a value of greater than zero is considered to be a performance that will enhance or improve the condition of the environment. At the zero value, the standard is considered to be set, i.e., the level of ecological performance is sufficient to preserve the existing ecological systems. Any measure of performance that scores a scale value of less than zero is said to be below the acceptable level of environmental preservation.

An advantage of this approach is that it allows a comparison of different parameters on the same scale. This is because all parameters are expressed by the same ecological performance scale of a value between -1 and +1. This is especially significant to those who are concerned with the writing of environmental impact statements which involves handling of the non-quantifiable elements of the environment.

An example of a parameter function graph that illustrates the ecological performance scale is given in Figure 4-1.

In view of the limitations of existing environmental parameters (see Chapter I) the choosing, formulating, and developing of the aforementioned parameters in this research were based upon the following principles:

1) All parameters must be able to accurately describe the whole ecological community without overlooking the major components of the ecosystem or being redundant.

The biological components of the ecological community are composed of flora, fauna, and their interlocking components. For this reason the parameters developed for the evaluation of ecological systems are divided into three areas, i.e., flora, fauna, and biota. To determine the parameters of these three areas, three criteria were suggested,
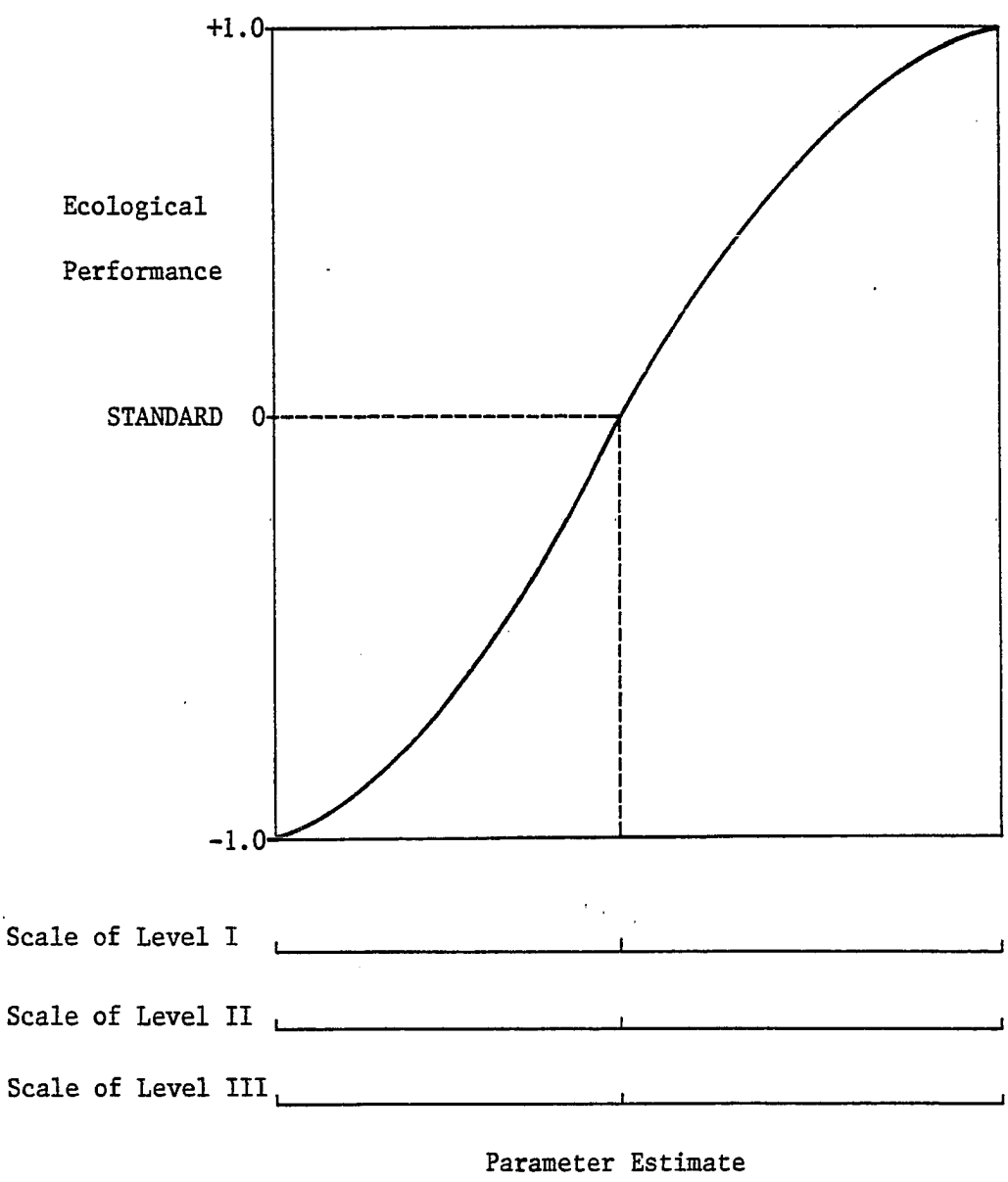
FIGURE 4-1   EXAMPLE OF PARAMETER FUNCTION GRAPH

namely land-use, species and production.

The following is a summary of the three criteria that are utilized in the development of each parameter.

The terrestrial natural vegetation and productivity of aquatic flora parameters are respectively applied to evaluating the terrestrial and aquatic plant production. The parameter of terrestrial natural vegetation measures the percentage change in the areal extent of land managed for natural vegetation. Productivity of aquatic flora is measured in terms of the characteristics that are commonly associated with various conditions of the aquatic flora production. Fish population and waterfowl habitat are used as parameters to depict the production of fauna species.

Terrestrial and aquatic species diversity parameters are both used to determine the variation of species in the environment. When more species are present in an ecological community there are more interconnections, which ultimately knit all the elements of the system tightly together and enhance the ecological stability(71).

Parameters that evaluate the aesthetic value of flora and fauna were also developed. The aesthetic value of fauna species is estimated by the temporal change of fauna species composition; while the aesthetic value of flora is measured by the parameter of vegetation land use which is determined by the weighted sum of the percentage change of vegetation land use.

Pest species (primarily referring to those pests that cause damages to the various types of farming) include not only weeds and plant pests, but also those pests that affect animals. Therefore, the pest species parameter is not classified in either the flora or fauna but in the biota category. The utilization of carrying capacity parameter measures the number of grazers that are consuming the available food of an acre of grazing land. This is basically an observation of the supply and demend relationship between plants and animals. Both pest species and carrying capacity parameters are more than mere evaluations of the ecological community. The desired decrease in pest species or increase in production of grazers may not necessarily contribute to the stability of the total ecosystem. Rather, these two parameters

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emphasize the preservation of man-altered ecological systems in agricultural environments.

In order that the interrelationships of flora and fauna be sufficiently evaluated, the food web parameter was introduced. The patterns of prey-predator food chains in the terrestrial and aquatic environments differ; therefore, the parameter of food web is sub-divided into terrestrial and aquatic food web.

2) All parameters must be non-specific in nature. Non-specificity allows wider range of parameter application. Frequently, parameters developed become too specific which inherently limit their applicability and their purpose of correct interpretation of the ecosystem. The parameters of crops, and game birds, in the Battelle study for instance, are both overemphasized to meet the economic and recreation demands of man (15). No clear indication of significant influence of these parameters over the total survival and stability of the ecosystem exists. Rare and endangered species are in dire need of protection, but the ecological performance of these species, measured in terms of the increase or decrease in their numbers, rarely have an accountable influence on the environment. Programs for the protection of rare and endangered species are undertaken or planned by various government agencies, and as long as these "sensitive" species are protected from extinction by proper management programs, there is no need to include them in the discussion of this research.

3) All parameters must be developed in accordance with the criteria that data required for implementation could be obtained without great difficulty. Ideal parameters are those that require commonly available data such as the data that is provided by U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) Census of Agriculture, Soil Conservation Services, Wildlife Conservation Services, etc. There are existing parameters that have high data requirements and some require field collection of data in order to evaluate the parameter. These kinds of parameters involve high data cost, and in many projects this will create tremendous financial problems thus rendering these parameters highly undesirable.

Among twelve parameters, the standards of four parameters are developed by the principle of non-negative percentage change over time

approach. This approach involves at first the consideration of the availability of data. The choosing of an environmentally significant period of time during which significant change in the environment may occur is also greatly dependent on the data available. Recent issues of Census of Agriculture showed that census are performed once every five years. This then is chosen as the observation period in this study. In these four parameters, data periods are represented by Δt which allows the users of this methodology to determine the data period according to the availability of local data. The calculation of percentage change over time is shown in formulas 4-1, 4-6, 4-8 and 4-11. The Common objective condition of these four parameters is the prevention of further environmental deterioration. When this objective is achieved the future environmental condition will be better than or at least as good as the present condition. Numerically, these percentage values will be positive or at least zero. Therefore, when the parameter estimate is a non-negative percentage change, ecological performance will also be above the standard. One of the major reasons for adopting such an approach is that using of "one-point-in-time" data will not allow objective judgement because of the absence of an objective reference. Besides, estimations based upon trends rather than "one-point-in-time" data allow lesser probability of erroneous result.

Three different scales (X-axis) were proportionally developed for each of the twelve parameters reflecting the levels of restricition (see Chapter III, Land Development Level). In the calculations (with the exception of productivity of aquatic flora) the data can be directly substituted into the formula. The results obtained can be applied to the appropriate scale of a study region whose level of development was previously determined from its socio-economic evaluation. By interpolation, the ecological performance of a parameter in a study region can be derived. For example, in the parameter of dynamic ratio of fish population, the data required is simply fish standing crop data. By first separating the fish population into forage fish and carnivorous fish, and then entering them into F/C ratio formula, the result obtained will be the parameter estimate. Applying this to the appropriate scale corresponding to the level of development to which this particular body of water

belongs (standards are at 1.5 to 10, 1.3 to 11.8, and 0.7 to 14.8 ranges) one may observe whether the Ecological Performance (E.P.) of this body of water meets the standard.

4.2 Parameters

4.2.1 Flora

A. Terrestrial natural vegetation

A measure of terrestrial natural vegetation is important in assessing the magnitude of the diversity of the food web in any given ecological system. Diversity of the biological and structural components of the ecological system has been identified as indicative of a highly stable ecological system in general (52). Such a highly stable and diverse ecological system is desirable since it provides a potentially larger food web and consequently a more balanced terrestrial ecological community.

The premise of this parameter is that land managed in natural forms of vegetation have a superior capability to support a more diversified and balanced ecological system than land which is managed to produce a single crop. Areas of natural vegetation play a crucial role in maintaining many forms of flora and fauna that are unable to adapt to America's modern agricultural landscapes. Modern agriculture often destroys the natural diversity of habitats to maintain a genetic monoculture on large tracts of land. Such areas are supported to a large extend by fertilizers and pesticides which reduce the stability and assimilating potential of the environment. Therefore areas of natural vegetation are important because they provide habitats for a variety of species which would not otherwise reside in a region.

(a) Methodology

The measurement of terrestrial natural vegetation is described as the percentage change in the areal extent of land managed for natural vegetation. This includes woodland, pastureland and rangeland which is

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not improved. As land in any region is converted from natural vegetation to urban or agricultural uses, a reduction in the environmental quality of the region occurs. Conversion of land from a natural state to a more developed condition is tolerable where such a conversion does not reduce an ecological system's ability to assimilate energy and waste to a point where the system becomes unstable. Therefore, this parameter's intention is to identify areas where a reduction of natural vegetation beyond a certain level, where the ecological system connot remain stable and diverse, is not acceptable for the maintenance of the ecological community.

The percentage change of natural vegetation areas for the recent Δt-year in a certain study region can be calculated with the formula below.

(b) Formula

$V_{\Delta t}$ = Percentage change of natural vegetation in Δt years

$$= \frac{\{\text{the condition of natural vegetation now growing}\} - \{\text{the condition of natural vegetation t-year ago}\}}{\{\text{the condition of natural vegetation t-year ago}\}} \times 100\%$$

$$= \frac{\{\text{acreage of natural vegetation now growing}\} - \{\text{acreage of natural vegetation t-year ago}\}}{\{\text{acreage of natural vegetation t-year ago}\}} \times 100\%$$

$$= \frac{A_o - A_t}{A_t} \times 100\% \tag{4-1}$$

PARAMETER ESTIMATE = $V_{\Delta t}$

(c) Data collection and calculation

Data on the current acreage of natural vegetation and that of the past years are needed in the calculation. The source used is from the Census of Agriculture by the Department of Agriculture and it is shown in Table 4-1.

(d) Parameter function graph

The key to judge the ecological performance (E.P.) of this parameter is the non-negative percentage change approach, which was origniated

TABLE 4-1 DATA COLLECTION AND CALCULATION OF TERRESTRIAL NATURAL VEGETATION

ITEM TO BE DETERMINED	DATA REQUIRED		SOURCE	CALCULATION
Percentage change of natural vegetation in Δt years $(V_{\Delta t})$	i)	Total woodland including woodland pasture now growing	U.S.D.A.	$V_{\Delta t} = \dfrac{A_o - A_t}{A_t} \times 100\%$
	ii)	Pastureland and rangeland not improved now growing	U.S.D.A.	$= \dfrac{[(i)+(ii)] - [(iii)+(iv)]}{(iii)+(iv)} \times 100\%$
	iii)	Total woodland including pasture t-year ago	U.S.D.A.	
	iv)	Pastureland and rangeland not improved t-year ago	U.S.D.A.	

from the preservation philosophy (see Chapter I). In any given situation, when the acreage of natural vegetation is diminished to a smaller area than the preceding year, often the reduction in natural vegetation area or bio-habitat is due to human action. As a result, the stability and diversity of the ecosystem are being disturbed and consequently E.P. will fall below standard.

On the parameter function graph (see Figure 4-2), the second inflection point from the left is the critical point or the standard. The sloping down of the curve to the left of the standard is at first gentle, because the influence on the habitat of species has just begun and the ecosystem is only slightly disturbed. However, if the negative percentage change becomes severe and it arrives to the point when the minimum area necessary from the maintenance of ecological stability is trespassed (the first inflection point from the left), then E.P. deteriorates rapidly. Beyond this point, the curve gently levels out again because in the extremely disturbed ecosystem it makes no great difference how the environment performs.

To the right of the standard, in the positive change area, the curve rises steadily because as the food supply for the wild species increases, the food web becomes more stable too.

(e) Ecological standards

Item \ Level	I	II	III
Ecological Standard	NON-NEGATIVE PERCENTAGE CHANGE		

B. Productivity of aquatic flora

Normal ecological succession in bodies of water takes place gradually and over a long period of time. When man tampers with nature, the process of succession is often accelerated. As bodies of water age, they become warmer and shallower. Both factors tend to increase the amount of algae and other aquatic plants. When the productivity of the water has reached the adequate nourishment stage, the body of water is

Percentage change of natural vegetation in Δt years ($V_{\Delta t}$)
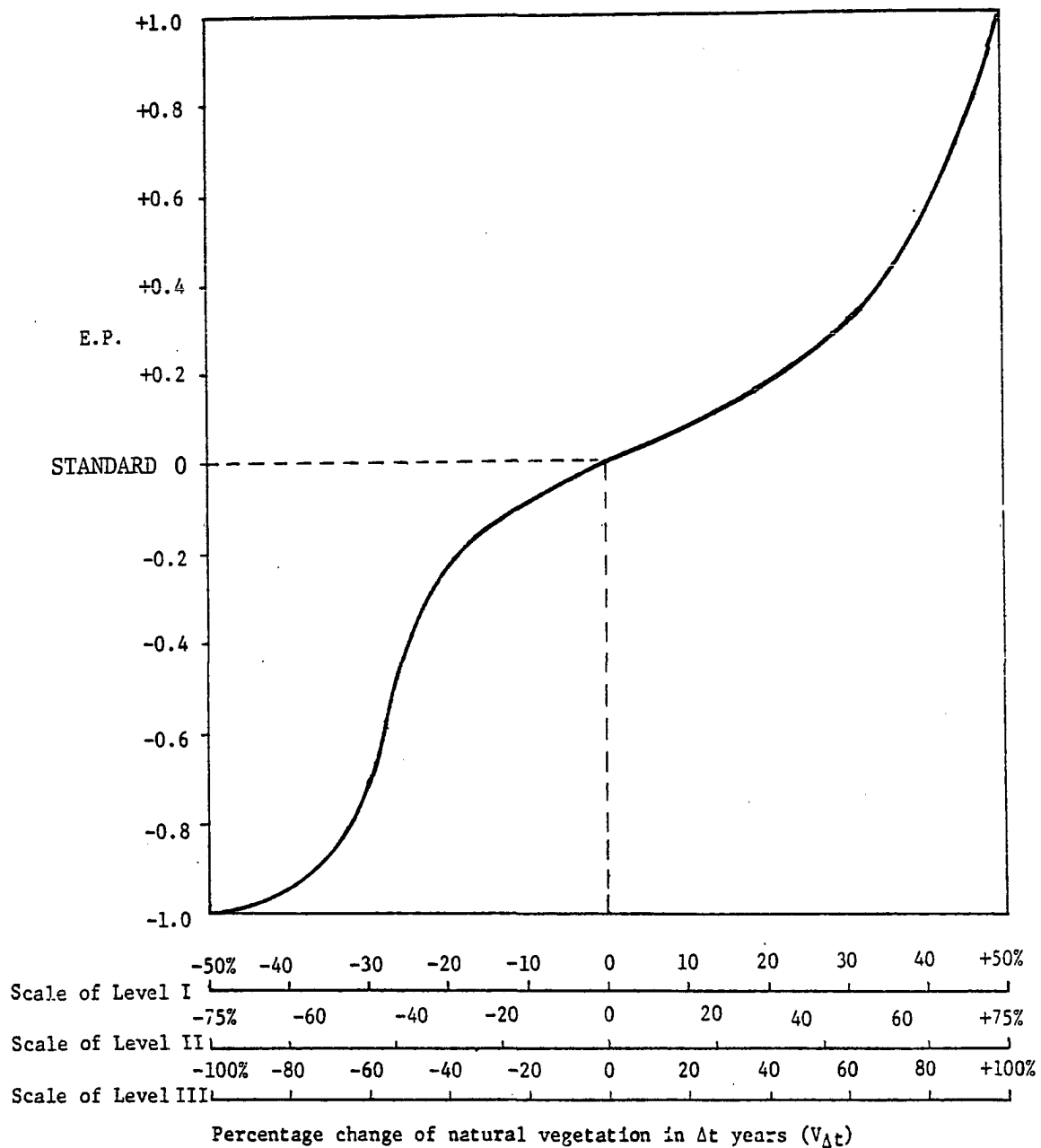
FIGURE 4-2 PARAMETER FUNCTION GRAPH OF TERRESTRIAL NATURAL VEGETATION

termed eutrophic (17). The process of increasing productivity is called eutrophication.

Eutrophication might at first seem to be a desirable situation, since ultimately fish and other aquatic animals are dependent upon the food which the algae and aquatic plants supply. This growth of algae, however, chokes the open waters and makes the water nonpotable. Subsequently the algae decompose, foul the air, and consume the deep water dissolved oxygen so vital for fish and animal life. The balance of the body of water is ultimately upset, because the bacteria are unable to convert the dead organic matter into plant and animal food. The balance is upset more in northern or temperate zones, because bacteria grow only during the summer, while pollutants, e.g., sewage and garbage, are dumped all year round (29).

A number of factors affect the aquatic nutrient productivity if other characteristics of two bodies of water are closely similar. They are fertility of the drainage basin, water depth and slope of shore, form of shore line, temperature, water turnover, light and water age, etc. (92).

Evidence of rapid eutrophication can be found by examining the presence or change in communities of aquatic plants and animals, such as the fish species preferring warm and shallow water, overabundant algae, coliform bacteria, and perhaps zooplankton. A common case is that fish families over a considerable period of time will gradually change from trout to warm bass and perch, then to plant-eating types, and finally to bottom feeders.

(a) Methodology

The aquatic flora condition of bodies of water can usually be identified along a gradient from the oligotrophic, with low nutrient content and productivity, through the mesotrophic to the eutrophic, with high nutrient levels and productivity. Hypertrophic condition indicates unusual or forced eutrophication and is the more polluted type of water beyond the eutrophic (92).

Table 4-2 summarizes the selected meaningful characteristics that are commonly associated with the various state of aquatic flora of bodies of water. These characteristics, besides being meaningful, are

TABLE 4-2 CHARACTERISTICS OF THE VARIOUS STATE OF AQUATIC FLORA

Characteristics	Stage of Aquatic Flora Condition			
	Oligo-trophic	Meso-trophic	Eutrophic	Hyper-trophic
Net primary productivity, $g/m^2/yr$	15-50	50-150	150-500	>500
Total organic matter, ppm	1-5	2-10	10-100	>100
Light penetration[1], m	20-120	5-40	3-20	<3
Total phosphorus, ppb	<1-5	5-10	10-30	>30
Inorganic nitrogen, ppb	<1-200	200-400	300-650	>650
Total inorganic solutes, ppm	2-20	10-200	100-500	>500

[1]Light penetration is the estimated depth to which 1% of sunlight penetrates at midday.

selected because they are commonly measured. Typical ranges of them for different stages of aquatic flora condition are also given. It shows trends in many of the characteristics, and particularly the characteristic of key concern to man—productivity. But some of them are less strongly correlated than the table may suggest (92).

In this parameter, the standard of Level I development, which is the most restrictive, corresponds to the upper bound of the oligotrophic condition. The standard of Level II development is indicated by the upper bound of mesotrophic conditions. In a similar manner, Level III development's standard is indicated by the upper margin of the eutrophic condition.

To determine a workable standard for each level of development, the range of each characteristic of the bodies of water will have to be adjusted. In more specific terms, each standard proposed is actually the sum of upper limits of the ranges of each characteristic, with the range being modified to commensurate numerals prior to the summation. This is summarized in the following:

1) Calculation of multiplying factors (M_i) - This is obtained as ratio of the maximal number in each column on Table 4-2 to the upper bound of each range.

2) Determination of the standards - The upper limit of the range of each characteristic is then modified to commensurate numerals by using M_i. The sum of the upper limits thus modified in each column then becomes the standard for a development level.

Using the same concept, data collected from a study region can be modified so as to compare with the standards. Data collected on each characteristic of a study region must first be multiplied by M_i. This will allow a preliminary comparison with the set range. The ultimate comparison of the sum of the modified data and the sum of the upper bounds will indicate whether or not the aquatic flora productivity of the study region meets the standard.

(b) Formula

P_x = Aquatic flora productivity of a level X region

$$= \frac{N}{n} \cdot \sum_{i=1}^{n} C_{ix} \cdot M_{ix} \qquad (4\text{-}2)$$

Where

C_{ix} = Measured data of <u>ith</u> characteristic of the level X region[1]

M_{ix} = Multiplying factor for <u>ith</u> charactreistic of the level X
region

N = Total number of characteristics of aquatic flora condition
N = 6 in this study

i = Characteristic of aquatic flora condition

   i = 1 for net primary productivity

   i = 2 for total organic matter

   i = 3 for light penetration

   i = 4 for total phosphorus

   i = 5 for inorganic nitrogen

   i = 6 for total inorganic solutes

n = The available number of characteristics in the study region
PARAMETER ESTIMATE = P_x

(c) Data collection and calculation

Data and informations needed in the determination of this para-
meter could generally be obtained as water quality data from relevant
governmental agencies or as aquatic data from academic and research insti-
tutes of the area concerned. In some instances, a study region may not
have available data on each of the six characteristics mentioned in this
research. This is why the $(\frac{N}{n})$ factor is introduced. In other instances,
the data collected may not be readily useable. In those situations, the
raw data will need to be refined or transformed prior to actual calcula-
tion. Table 4-3 shows the data required and calculations.

The result of data collection and calculation from one body of
water shall not be applied to the entire river basin. Study regions
having more than one dominant body of water may use a weighted average
in determining the type of aquatic succession of the whole river basin,
or professional judgement will have to be solicited.

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[1]For the inequality of M_i values in different levels, the level
of each study region should be identified before any data being used in
this formula.

TABLE 4-3 DATA COLLECTION AND CALCULATION OF AQUATIC FLORA PRODUCTIVITY

ITEM TO BE DETERMINED	DATA REQUIRED	SOURCE	CALCULATION
Aquatic flora productivity of a level x region (P_x)	Measured data of the following characteristics:	Previous research	a) Multiplying factors of each level:
			$\begin{array}{ccc} \text{I} & \text{II} & \text{III} \\ (M_{iI}) & (M_{iII}) & (M_{iIII}) \end{array}$
	Net primary productivity, g/m²/yr.		4 2.7 1.3
	Total organic matter, ppm		40 40 6.5
	Light penetration, m		1.7 10 32.5
	Total phosphorus, ppb		40 40 21.7
	Inorganic nitrogen, ppb		1 1 1
	Total inorganic solutes, ppm		10 2 1.3
			b) $P_x = \dfrac{N}{n} \cdot \displaystyle\sum_{i=1}^{n} C_{ix} \cdot M_{ix}$

PARAMETER ESTIMATE = P_x

(d) Parameter function graph

The graph of this parameter, as shown in Figure 4-3, is S-shaped and asymmetrical. In the beginning of the process of eutrophication, the quality of water does not necessarily deteriorate even though water is starting on its process of becoming non-potable. At that stage, the nutrient level in the water is gradually rising and the supply of food for the aquatic life will be adequately consumed. At the onset of these various processes, the uprise of aquatic flora productivity does not manifest itself clearly and the curve slopes down very gently. As eutrophication continues, the aquatic food supply soon becomes over-abundant, and the condition turns unfavorable.

As the curve comes near the point of the standard (standards for Level I, II and III areas are respectively located at 1,200, 2,400, and 3,900) it drops rapidly down, indicating the procession of the body of water into the next stage of succession. This is inevitable as prolonged abundance of nutrients naturally leads to proliferation of aquatic life, especially aquatic plant life. If the pollution of water is not arrested algae will in the end choke the open water.

At the final stage, when the body of water is in the marsh or bog stage, further influence on ecological performance (E.P.) becomes minimal and the curve levels out again. The two extremities of each scale of level are designated by ε and ∞ which represents respectively infinitisimal and infinity.

(e) Ecological standards

LEVEL ITEM	I	II	III
Ecological Standard	<1,200	<2,400	<3,900

C. Terrestrial flora species diversity

Species diversity, the indication of stability enhancement in ecosystems, relates simply to the "richness" of a community or geographi-

E.P.

+1.0
+0.8
+0.6
+0.4
+0.2
STANDARD 0
-0.2
-0.4
-0.6
-0.8
-1.0

Scale of Level I   ε   195   500   1,000 1,200 1,500   2,000 2,205 ∞

Scale of Level II   ε   685   2,000   2,400   3,000   4,115 ∞

Scale of Level III ε 1,005   2,000   3,000   3,900   5,000   6,000   6,795 ∞

Aquatic Flora Productivity (P_x)
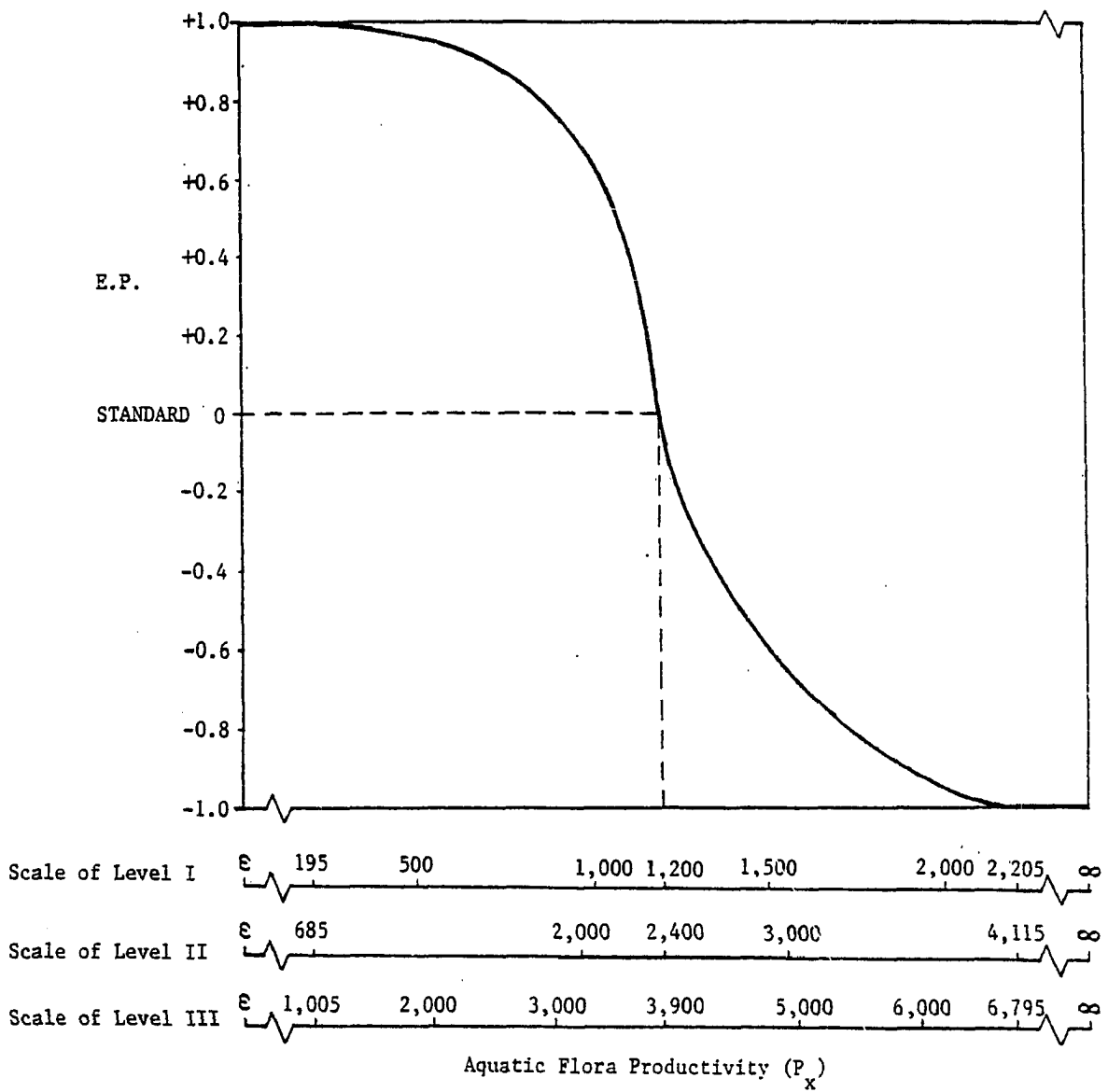
FIGURE 4-3 PARAMETER FUNCTION GRAPH OF PRODUCTIVITY OF AQUATIC FLORA

cal area in species. It reflects in part the diversity in the physical environment. The greater the variation in the environment, the more numerous are the species, since there are more microhabitats available and more niches to fill. With more species (species diversity), there are more interconnections, which ultimately tie all elements of the system tightly together (71).

Frequent mention is made in the literature of an increase in species diversity from:

1) successional communities to climax communities;

2) extreme environmental conditions to optimum environmental conditions; and

3) temperate communities to tropical communities (45).

Species diversity may be measured on the basis of numbers of species in sample units, large enough to include some minor species. In terrestrial communities, relations of species numbers to sample areas are complex; but within limits, numbers of species increase approximately as the logarithm of sample area. It is not feasible in most cases to obtain all the species from the community, and comparing members of species in sample quadrats of equal area is the most convenient way to compare diversities in different communities.

(a) Methodology

Species diversity, the relationship between the number of species and the number of individuals, has been approached in a variety of ways[1]. One or both variables may be expressed in terms of square root or logarithmic functions and their relationships may be expressed as a ratio or as an entropy measure.

In this study, the relationship between the number of accumulated species and the logarithm of the number of individuals will be used in determining the diversity. The species diversity values will be obtained by the regression of the number of species against the logarithm of the number of individuals.

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[1]For example: Gleason 1922; Fisher, Corbet and Williams 1973; Preston 1948; Goodal 1952; Margalef 1957; Patten 1962; Williams 1964.

The diversity values of each habitat type in different communities are calculated and compared by using the formulas listed below.

(b) Formulas

1) $\log Y = \alpha + \beta X$ (4-3)

where Y = The number of individuals

α = The number of individuals at which one flora species intersects

β = The slope of the regression line

X = The number of flora species

This equation is presented in graphical form shown on Figure 4-4 as an example. The linear regression lines are plotted on a graph with the number of flora species in each habitat virsus the logarithm of the number of individuals of each habitat. Calculating the differences in species diversity between the habitat types is accomplished by determining the number of species one would expect to encounter per 1,000 individuals, i.e., the number of flora species at which the regression line intersects 1,000 individuals (X_i).

2) D = Weighted flora species diversity in each study community

$$= \sum_{i=1}^{n} (X_i \cdot T_i)$$ (4-4)

where X_i = Flora species diversity of the ith habitat type

T_i = Percentage of the ith flora habitat type in the whole study community

n = number of flora habitat types in the study community

i = flora habitat type

i = 1 for upland forest

i = 2 for bottomland forest

i = 3 for prairie

PARAMETER ESTIMATE = D

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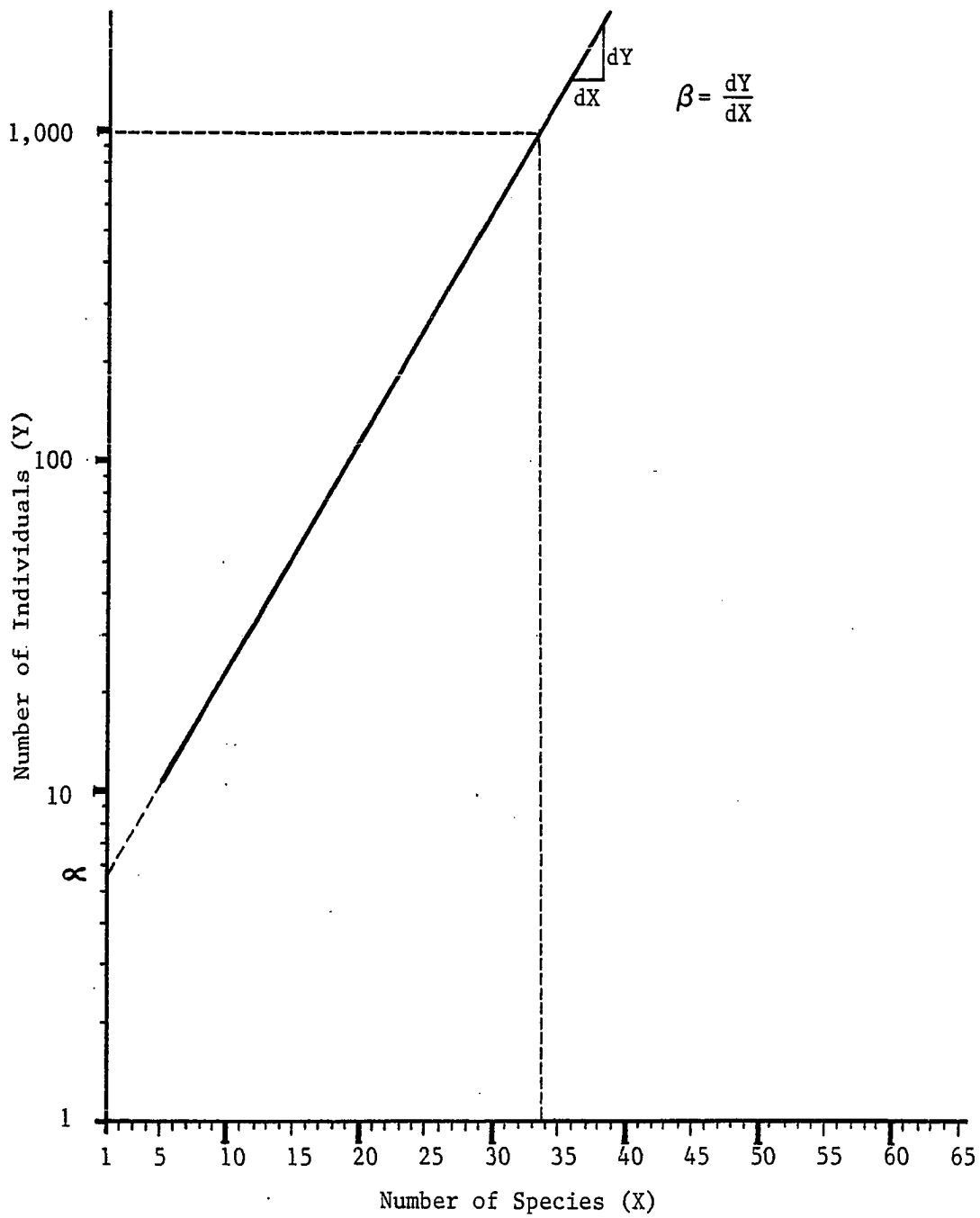
FIGURE 4-4   AN EXAMPLE OF SPECIES DIVERSITY REGRESSION LINE
FOR A CERTAIN HABITAT TYPE

Source: 45

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(c) Data collection and calculations

The terrestrial vegetation data representing each habitat type are used to examine the intra-community type species diversities. The stands within each flora habitat type should be selected at random and accumulated number of flora species and logarithm of accumulated number of individuals are to be obtained. Data from each stand are usually collected by the quarter method (14) and only individuals $\geq$ 10.16 cm d.b.h. (diameter at breast height) are considered (45). Such information could be provided by State Department of Agriculture or local universities. However, in most cases the data will have to be acquired in the field. The data to be collected are shown in Table 4-4.

(d) Parameter function graph

The function of terrestrial flora species diversity virsus ecological performance (E.P.) is shown in Figure 4-5. The positive linear function denotes that ecological performance is enhanced with the improvement in flora species diversity.

(e) Ecological standards

ITEM \ LEVEL	I	II	III
Ecological Standard	$\geq$ 30.5	$\geq$ 23.0	$\geq$ 15.5

D. Vegetation land use (aesthetic)

The design of this parameter is human oriented, in particular with respect to the aesthetic viewpoint of man. The importance of this parameter in the evaluation of the ecological system lies in the fact that environmental components of high aesthetic quality (or visually pleasing) are necessities for satisfying the emotional and mental needs of men. Inversely, the health and well-being of men are imperative to the stability of the ecological system because men, after all, are great manipulators of the environment.

Generally, land predominated in highly desirable vegetation types are considered to be visually more pleasing and thus having higher

TABLE 4-4   DATA COLLECTION AND CALCULATION OF TERRESTRIAL FLORA SPECIES
DIVERSITY

TO BE DETERMINED	DATA REQUIREMENT	SOURCE	CALCULATION
1)Flora species diversity of each habitat type	(i) Accumulated number of individuals (Y) (ii) Accumulated number of flora species (X)	U.S.D.A. or Corps of Engineers	A regression line is fitted to the data on the graph with X vs. log Y X_i = number of flora species in 1,000 individuals
2)Weighted flora diversity in each study community (D)	(iii) Percentage of each flora habitat type in the whole community (T_i)	U.S.D.A.-S.C.S	$D= \sum_{i=1}^{n} (X_i \cdot T_i)$

PARAMETER ESTIMATE = D
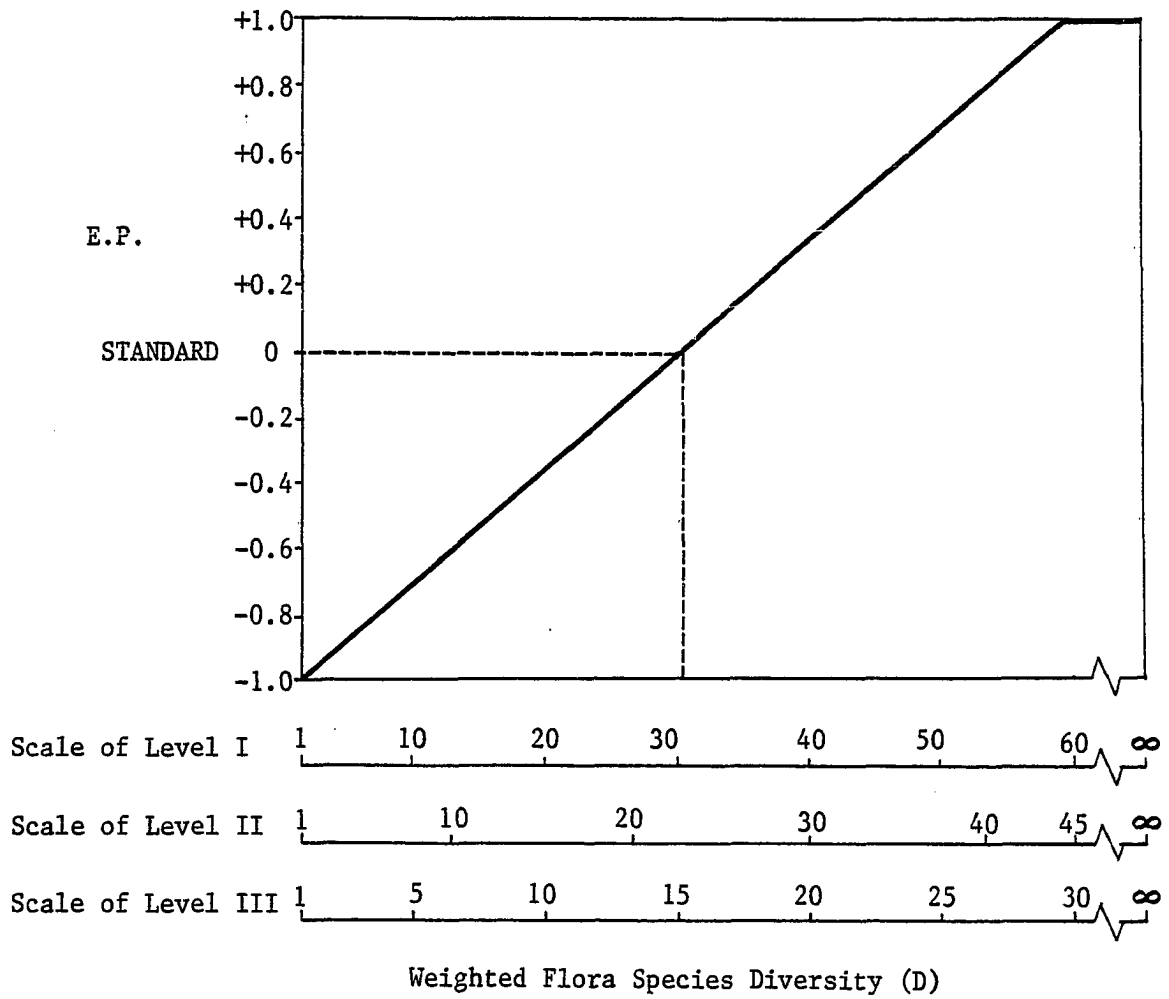
FIGURE 4-5   PARAMETER FUNCTION GRAPH OF TERRESTRIAL FLORA SPECIES DIVERSITY

aesthetic quality than land having less desirable vegetation types. In this parameter, forest areas or trees are considered to be most visually pleasing and most worthy of protection and preservation, however, it is not intended here to mean that a landscape with just trees and no other vegetation is highly desired. Land cultivated with a good proportion of highly desirable vegetation types, and with provisions for a reasonable heterogenity, is considered to be most desired and possessing a high aesthetic quality. This concept also compromises for the intrinsic diversity requirement of a stable ecosystem. Thus, the unique feature of this parameter is that it is developed with the aesthetic viewpoint approach, but it does not exclude considerations concerning ecological stability.

(a) Methodology

The measured result of this parameter is expressed as the weighted sum of the percentage change of vegetation land use types. A study region showing a positive percentage change is said to have improved in aesthetic quality and achieved a higher overall ecological performance. One that scores a negative percentage change value, is degrading in aesthetic quality, and its ecological performance may be falling short of meeting the standard.

For this parameter, land use for various vegetation is divided into the following categories:

1) Forestland

2) Cropland

3) Rangeland

4) Pastureland

5) Others (little to no vegetation)

Definitions of vegetation land uses are included in Appendix B.

The assignment of weighting factors is based on a pairwise comparison approach and the following rationale. Land with little to no vegetation is assigned a value of 1 as of being visually least pleasing. The most desirable vegetation land use, forestland, is given a value 10. Rangeland is considered to be the mid-point, i.e., 5. Range is defined as the land on which the natural potential (climax) plant cover is composed principally of native grasses, forbs and shrubs valuable for

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forage. Included in rangeland are also natural grasslands and savannahs. Comparatively, rangeland has more variations than pastureland and consequently possesses higher aesthetic value. Thus, pastureland is assigned a value of 4 because it is slightly less disirable than rangeland. Finally, cropland is assigned 6, because in most instances, its orderly symmetrical pattern (different from monotony) of cultivation is considered to be more visually pleasing than rangeland (which consists of randomly grown vegetation). To summarize, weights assigned to various vegetation land uses are shown in Table 4-5.

To calculate vegetation diversity, the following formula may be used:

(b) Formulas

(1) P_{it} = Percentage of the ith type vegetation land use in a study region in year t

$$= \frac{V_{it}}{T_t} \times 100\% \qquad (4\text{-}5)$$

where

V_{it} = Acreage of the ith type of vegetation land use in year t

T_t = Acreage of total land of a study region in year t

(2) $S_{\Delta t}$ = Weighted sum of percentage change of various land uses in Δt years

$$= \sum_{i=1}^{n} \Delta P_{i \Delta t} \cdot W_i \qquad (4\text{-}6)$$

where

$\Delta P_{i \Delta t}$ = Percentage change of the ith type vegetation land use over Δt years

W_i = Aesthetic weight assigned to the ith type of land use

Δt = Change over time, an interval of 5 to 10 years is recommended

n = Total number of types of land use

n = 5 in this study

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TABLE 4-5 VEGETATION LAND USE AND WEIGHTING FACTORS

VEGETATION LAND USE TYPE	WEIGHTING (W_i, i=1,2,3,4,5)
Forestland	W_1 = 10
Cropland	W_2 = 6
Rangeland	W_3 = 5
Pastureland	W_4 = 4
Others (little to no vegetation)	W_5 = 1

i = Type of land use

        i = 1 for forestland

        i = 2 for cropland

        i = 3 for rangeland

        i = 4 for pastureland

        i = 5 for others (little to no

           vegetation)

PARAMETER ESTIMATE = $S_{\Delta t}$

(c) Data collection and calculation

To determine the measurement of vegetation land use, the essential data requirements are the land areas of each specific type of use over a certain length of time (5 to 10 years intervals), because it is basically a measurement of change over time. Such data can usually be obtained from the Soil Conservation Service, Census of Agriculture, local universities or agencies of land use research as shown in Table 4-6.

(d) Parameter function graph

The functional graph of vegetation land use is linear as shown in Figure 4-6. The ecological performance (E.P.) of a study region, rated from an aesthetic viewpoint, is directly proportional to the overall percentage change of vegetation land use weighted. Within a study boundary, there may be certain change of land uses, for instance, the change of a part of forest land to range land and a portion of pastureland to cropland. When the overall percentage change is zero or positive, the study region is said to have met the standard. When negative, it is then not meeting the standard. The critical point of the curve is at zero percentage change at which the overall E.P. rating is zero. The funcitoning curve of the three development levels are located at scales -50 to +50 (level III), -25 to +25 (level II) and -10 to +10 (level I). Any percentage change outside the scale are said, accordingly, to have E.P. of +1 or -1.

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ITEM TO BE DETERMINED
1) Percentage of <u>ith</u> type vegetation land use in a study region in year t (P_{it})
2) Weighted sum of percentage change of various vegetation land uses ($S_{\Delta t}$)

E.P.

+1.0
+0.8
+0.6
+0.4
+0.2
STANDARD 0
-0.2
-0.4
-0.6
-0.8
-1.0

Scale of Level I   -900% -10   -5   0   +5   +10   +900%

Scale of Level II   -900% -25 -20   -10   0   +10   +20 +25   +900%

Scale of Level III -900% -50 -40 -30 -20 -10   0   +10 +20 +30 +40 +50   +900%

Weighted Sum of Percentage Change of Vegetation Land Use over a
Certain Period of Time $(S_{\Delta t})$
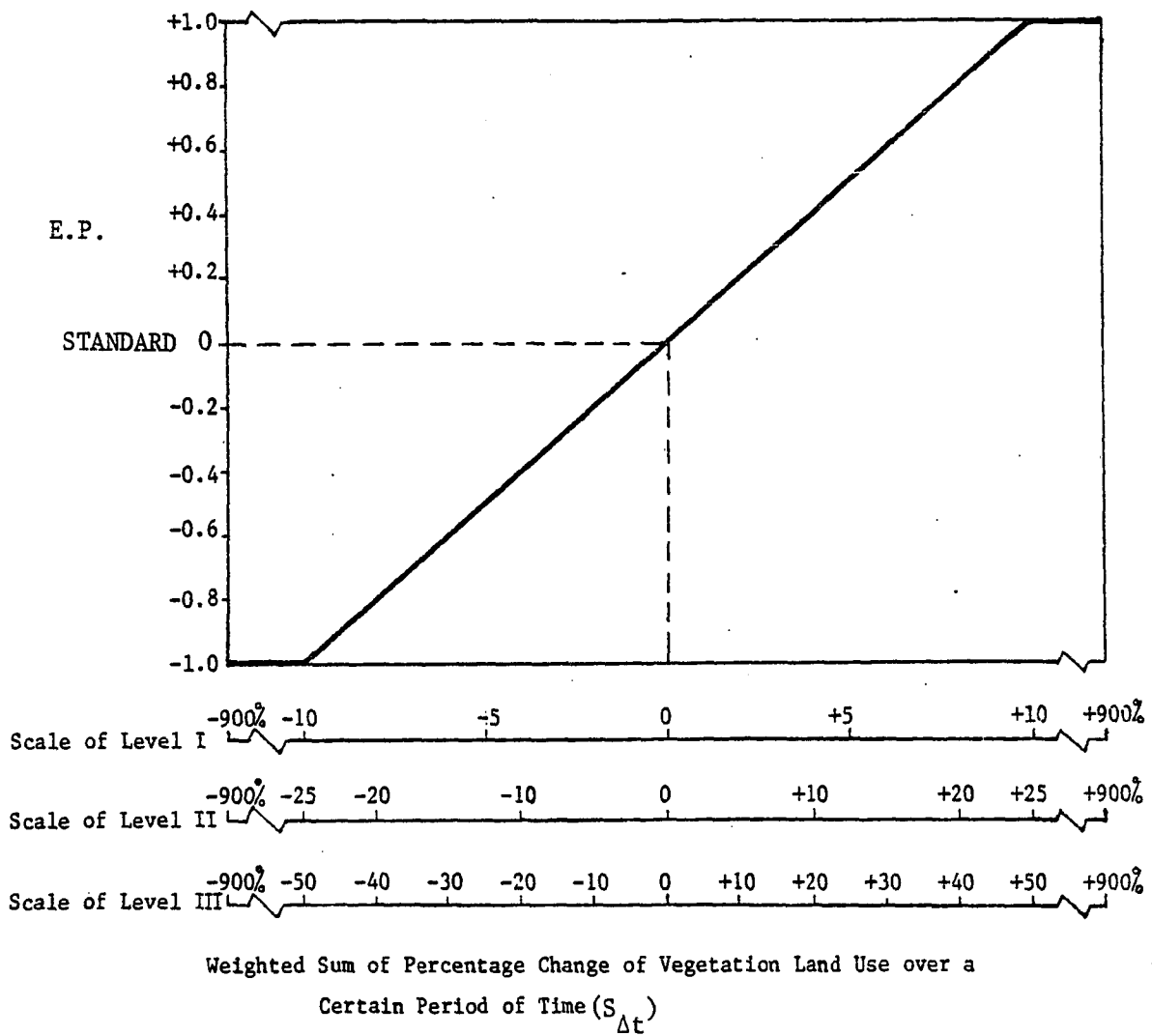
FIGURE 4-6   PARAMETER FUNCTION GRAPH OF VEGETATION LAND USE (AESTHETIC)

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(e) Ecological standards

ITEM \ LEVEL	I	II	III
Ecological Standard	NON-NEGATIVE PERCENTAGE CHANGE		

4.2.2 Fauna

A. Dynamic ratio of fish population

Fish and wildlife resources presently provide outdoor recreation for about 40% of the nation's population. In 1965 people in the United States spent 575 million activity-days pursuing recreational fishing activities in both fresh and saltwater bodies. The value of the total 1965 commercial fresh-water related catch in the conterminous U. S. came to $265 million (24). These foregoing facts point out the need for better fish management programs. A prerequistite for improved fish management programs is a better understanding of the critical parameters which determine the stability of aquatic ecological systems. Two of the most critical parameters influencing the fish in an ecosystem are the concepts of balanced fish population and the effects of fish harvests.

The interrelationships in fish populations are satisfactory if the population yields satisfactory crops of harvestable fish consistently, considering the fertilities of the bodies of water containing these populations. Such populations are considered to be balanced populations and the species within such a population are in balance.

Unbalanced fish populations are those that are unable to produce succeeding annual crops of harvestable fish. This may be because of their inability to provide sufficient replacement indiciduals to maintain satisfactory utilization of the potential food supply or, more commonly, because of over-crowding.

Usually, the data on fish population are more or less static

figures which represent the particular population only at that instant or period of time when the census was made. The live population, however, is not static, but dynamic. Dynamic populations are constantly changing in individuals and in relative composition due to growth, predation, removal, mortality and reproduction.

(a) Methodology

A great number of techniques for measuring populations are being used extensively each year. However, there is little uniformity in the method of interpreting or comparing the information obtained.

Swingle (79) grouped the various species into forage fish (F) and carnivorous fish (C). He defined the F/C ratio as the ratio of the total weight of all forage fishes to the total weight of all carnivorous (piscivorous) fishes in a population. The values he obtained were relatively higher than other measuring alternatives because the F/C ratio is confined to the weights of various species of fishes.

The summary of Swingle's experimental report (78), which measured 89 separate well-established fish population from 2 to 30 years old, concluded that the range of F/C ratios in balanced populations is from 1.4 to 10.0. Populations with F/C = 1.4 to 2.0 are overcrowded with carnivorous species. The most desirable populations are those with F/C ratios between 3.0 and 6.0. All populations with F/C ratios above 10.0 are unbalanced.

In this parameter, the F/C ratio will be used as the function estimate to determine the dynamic condition of the fish population. The classification of fish is as follows:

"C" class: composed of species that feed principally upon other fishes and that cannot attain normal adult size without such food;

"F" class: composed of all other species in the population that feed principally upon plants, plankton, water insects, and other small aquatic invertebrates.

The F/C ratio is a relatively stable value, remaining almost constant despite variations in the rates of fishing for F and C species.

(b) Formula

F/C = Dynamic ratio of fish population

$$= \frac{\text{Total weight of all forage fishes}}{\text{Total weight of all carnivorous}}$$

$$= (\sum_{f=1}^{n} W_f) / (\sum_{c=1}^{m} W_c) \qquad\qquad (4\text{-}7)$$

where

W_f = Investigated total weight of $\underline{f}$th forage species, lb/acre

W_c = Investigated total weight of $\underline{c}$th carnivorous species, lb/acre

n = Total number of forage species found in the study region

m = Total number of carnivorous species found in the study region

PARAMETER ESTIMATE = F/C

(c) Data collection and calculation

The separate compositions in weights of each fish specie of each reservoir can be compiled from fish standing crop data which is primarily being collected by the Fishery Research Laboratory of State Wildlife Conservation Department, City Water Department and State Cooperative Fishery Unit. Local universities may have also collected such data for some of the regions. The data required and calculations are shown in Table 4-7.

(d) Parameter funciton graph

The level of ecological performance (E.P.) in this parameter is directly determined by the F/C ratio of the study region (see Figure 4-7). The construction of the curve is based on conclusions drawn from the frequency distribution of F/C ratio in balanced and unbalanced population in Swingle's report (79).

TABLE 4-7   DATA COLLECTION AND CALCULATION OF DYNAMIC RATIO
OF FISH POPULATION

TO BE DETERMINED	DATA REQUIRED	SOURCE	CALCULATION
Dynamic Ratio of Fish Population (F/C)	i) Investigated total weight of fth forage species (W_f)	Dept. of Wildlife Conservation	$$\frac{F}{C} = (\sum_{f=1}^{n} W_f)/(\sum_{c=1}^{m} W_c)$$
	ii) Investigated total weight of cth carnivorous species (W_c)	Dept of Wildlife Conservation	

PARAMETER ESTIMATE = F/C

Parameter Function Graph
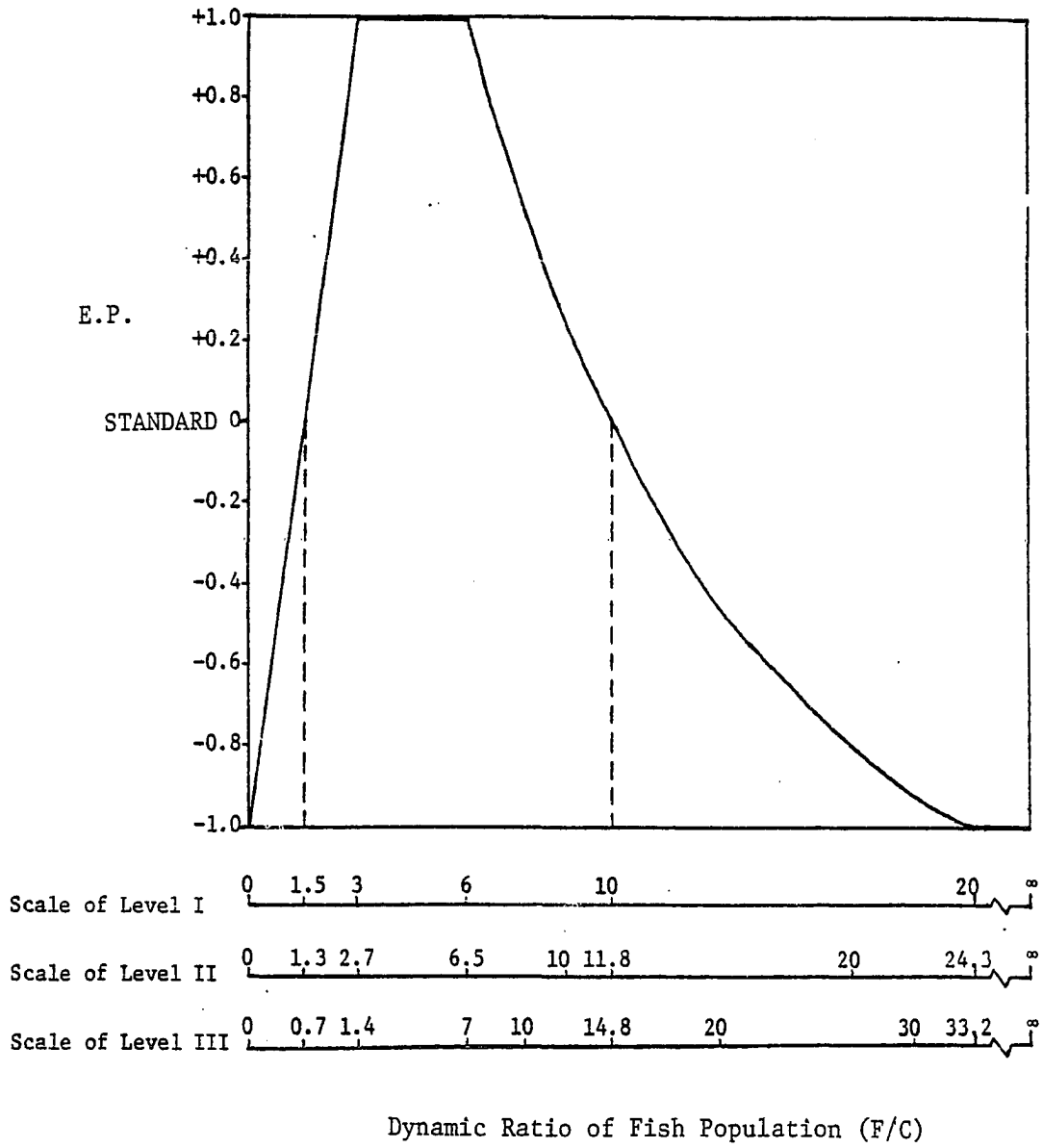
FIGURE 4-7 PARAMETER FUNCTION GRAPH OF DYNAMIC RATIO OF FISH POPULATION

In the most restricted region (level I), the best ecological performance is set at F/C ratio from 3 to 6. Within this range of F/C ratio, the fish population is a balanced one, and populations with F/C ratio below 3 and above 10.0 are usually unbalanced. These are conclusions derived from Swingle's experimental data. When the F/C ratio is between 3 and 6, the E.P. is the best, and consequently all values within this range are assigned plus one E.P. value. In the less restricted region (level II) the best F/C ratio was expanded to a wider range of 2.7 to 6.5 to accomodate for a less restrictive standard. From 0.06 to 2.7, the F species are disappearing under C species' predation. This is an undesirable condition because overcrowded C species would inevitably result in reducing total production. For level III, general development area, the best F/C ratio was further loosened to the 1.4 to 7 scale range. According to Swingle's Report (79), the scale of 1.4 to 7 is still within the balanced fish population range.

(e) Ecological standards

ITEM LEVEL	I	II	III
Ecological Standard	1.5 ↔ 10	1.3 ↔ 11.8	0.7 ↔ 14.8

B. Waterfowl habitat

The term "waterfowl" applies to any member of the family Anatidae, which includes swans, geese and ducks among others. The great majority of waterfowls are birds of fresh water and, with few exceptions, breed on island water even though they may winter on the seashore.

There are many variations of waterfowl habitat, and each is susceptible to alteration. The fast moving streams, which are of low biotic productivity, fuse into larger and slower streams eventually, which produce water areas of other types, such as isolated ox-bows and sloughs. These new remnants of the stream meanders are favored breeding areas for

waterfowls along large streams.

Broad silted deltas, located where the large streams meet the
lakes or the sea, are often the sites of large marshes. Extensive coastal
marshes usually form a major waterfowl habitat, especially for wintering
birds. In general, many small water areas are more productive than larger,
less diverse areas because of their greater length of shorelines (91).

The impact of man on waterfowl habitat has been so immense that
it directly affects the presence and abundance of waterfowl. The declin-
ing of the waterfowl population throughout the world is a well-known and
well-proven fact, and is generally attributed to loss of habitat, especial-
ly breeding ground, and to overharvest.

Data on habitat losses are alarming. In Sweden, some researchers
have shown that one major watershed lost 88% of its water area because of
drainage (21, 94). In New Zealand, there are only 1,000 acres of one
60,000 acre marsh now remain and that many similar marshes had been lost
(2). In the United States, around 45 million acres of an original 127
million acres of water have been drained (70).

There are at least 4 species of recent waterfowl of the world
now believed extinct and more than 11 species being listed as rare species
in Scott's report, 1957 (69).

Based upon the foregoing facts, the preservation of natural
water areas has become a primary objective of waterfowl management.

(a) Methodology

The percentage loss in the areal extent of waterfowl habitat,
which is usually termed wetland area, is used for the eveluation of water-
fowl declines in this parameter. Wetlands include swamps, marshes, bogs,
and any other places where the land surface is almost always covered to
some degree by water. Whenever the land in the study region converted
from wet surface to any other dry-form surface, a recudtion in the envi-
ronmental performance takes place. In other words, any decrease of wet-
land which causes less availabel habitat for waterfowl will not be accept-
able for the maintenance of the ecological community.

(b) Formula

$W_{\Delta t}$ = Percentage change of waterfowl habitat in t years

$$= \frac{\text{(Current waterfowl habitat)} - \text{(Waterfowl habitat t years ago)}}{\text{(Waterfowl habitat t years ago)}}$$

$$\times 100\%$$

$$= \frac{\text{(Current wetland area)} - \text{(Watland area t years ago)}}{\text{(Wetland area t years ago)}} \times 100\%$$

$$= \frac{A_o - A_t}{A_t} \times 100\% \tag{4-8}$$

PARAMETER ESTIMATE = $W_{\Delta t}$

(c) Data collection and calculation

The current wetland area and that of t-year ago can usually be provided by the State Water Resources Board or the Corps of Engineers. If unavailable, the areas of several land types can be used to estimate the size of water area. The Conservation Needs Inventory Report and Soil Survey Report from State Soil Conservation Service of State Department of Agriculture normally has the required information. In this research, such data obtained are itemized in Table 4-8.

(d) Parameter function graph

The graph of this parameter (Figure 4-8) is similar to that of the terrestrial natural vegetation, both using the concept of non-negative percentage change to develop standards. When there is only slight reduction of wetland area the ecological performance would not drastically decrease, because some waterfowls may migrate to neighboring similar and familiar environments. But when a certain water surface area decreases suddenly, waterfowls may completely discard the area to migrate to an entirely different wetland. The stability of the original ecosystem will then be noticibly disturbed, causing the graph to slope downward quickly. In the final condition, all the available habitat is destroyed creating a very emmense ecological stress.

When the wetland area steadily increases, waterfowl will be less affected by other physical factors because choices of habitable spaces

TABLE 4-8 DATA COLLECTION AND CALCULATION OF WATERFOWL HABITAT

ITEM TO BE DETERMINED	DATA REQUIRED	SOURCE	CALCULATION
1) Current total wet land area (A_o)	i) Size of study region ii) Current total land area[1]	U.S.D.A. S.C.S. U.S.D.A.	$A_o = (i) - (ii) + (iv)$
2) Total wet land area t years ago (A_t)	iii) Total land area t year ago iv) Current small water area[2]	U.S.D.A. U.S.D.A.	$A_t = (i) - (iii) + (v)$
3) Percentage change of waterfowl habitat in t years ($W_{\Delta t}$)	v) Small water area t years ago	U.S.D.A.	$W_{\Delta t} = \dfrac{A_o - A_t}{A_t} \times 100\%$

PARAMETER ESTIMATE = $W_{\Delta t}$

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[1] Total land area does not include water area of 40 acres or more in size or streams of 1/8 mile or more in width.

[2] Small water area include water areas less than 40 acres in size or streams less than 1/8 mile in width.

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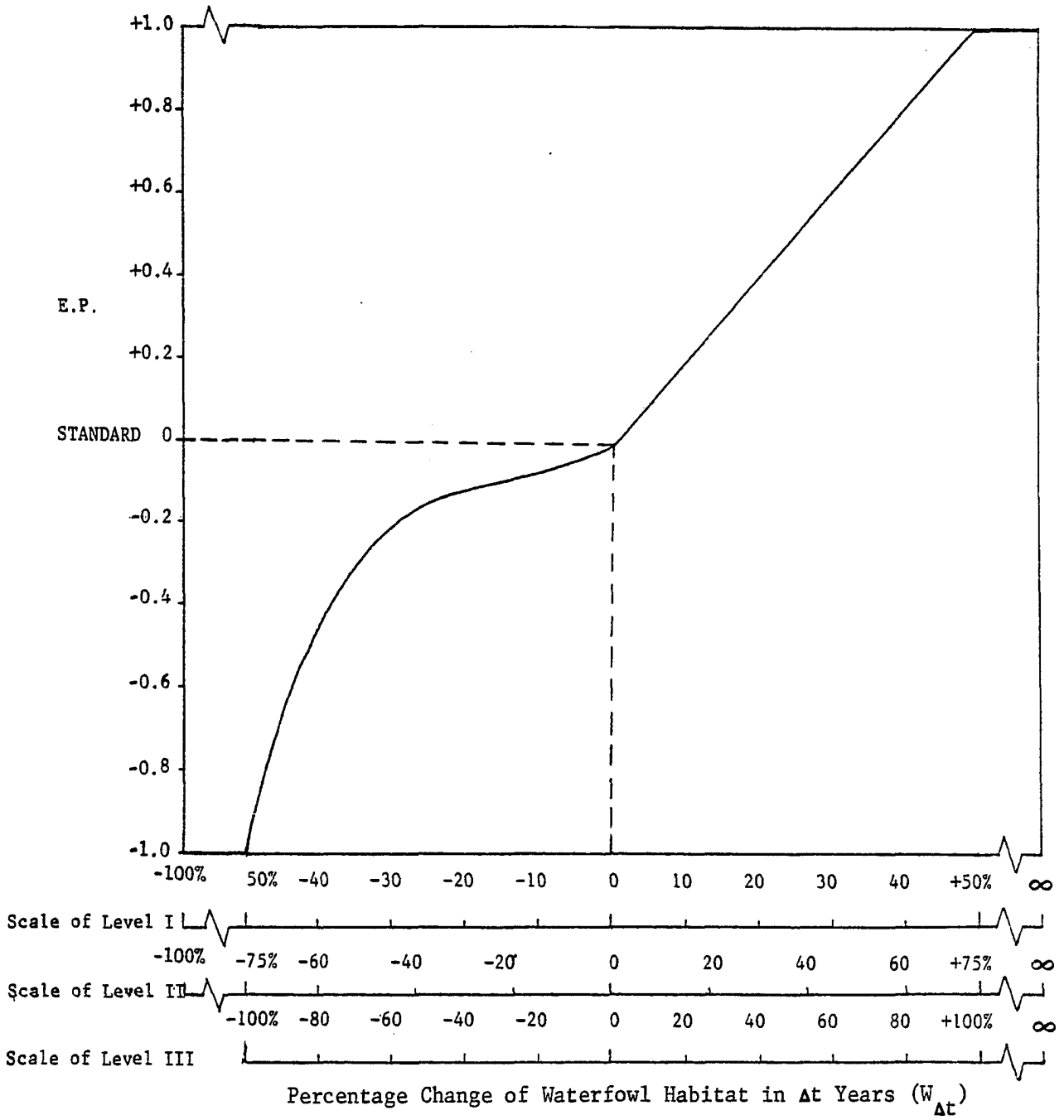
FIGURE 4-8   PARAMETER FUNCTION GRAPH OF WATERFOWL HABITAT

have increased and consequently E.P. rises almost linearly.

(e) Ecological standards

ITEM \ LEVEL	I	II	III
Ecological Standard	NON-NEGATIVE PERCENTAGE CHANGE		

C. Terrestrial fauna species diversity

During the past two decades interest in wildlife species diversity has greatly increased among ecologists, perhaps because man is so rapidly reducing natural diversity to the point of raising serious doubt as to whether this trend is in his own best interest.

Species diversity is very much influenced by the functional relationships between the trophic levels. Moderate predation often reduces the density of dominants, thus providing fewer competitive species with a better chance to use space and resources. Paine (15) in his report concluded that local species diversity is directly related to the efficiency with which predators prevent monopolization of major environmental requisites by one species.

Relative stability in communities results from the population function of individual species and small set of interacting species. Environments that are stable may permit many species to survive in interaction with one another in a complex community (38). Individual species may then have relatively stable populations because of density-dependent relationships. Community complexity may not necessarily produce community stability, yet environmental stability permits the evolution of a complex community.

(a) Methodology

The fauna species diversity value in each habitat type is obtained by the regression of the number of fauna species against the

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logarithm of the absolute fauna density, or against the number of indi-
viduals. The results obtained from this are then multiplied by the land
area percentage of each habitat type, and after summation, it becomes
the weighted species diversity. The stability of ecosystem can then be
determined from the magnitude of the weighted species diversity. The
more stable the community, the better will be the environmental perfor-
mance.

(b) Formulas

(1) $\log Y = \alpha + \beta X$ (4-9)

where Y = Number of individuals

α = Number of individuals at which one fauna species
intersects

β = Slope of the regression line

X = Number of fauna species

This equation is presented in graphical form. The linear
regression lines are plotted on a graph with the number of fauna species
in each habitat versus the logarithm of the number of individuals of each
habitat. Calculating the differences in species diversity between the
habitat types is accomplished by determining the number of fauna species
one would expect to encounter per 1,000 individuals, i.e., the number of
fauna species at which the regression line intersects 1,000 individuals
(X_i).

(2) $D = \sum_{i=1}^{n} (X_i \cdot T_i)$ (4-10)

where X_i = Fauna species diversity of the ith habitat type

T_i = Percentage of the ith fauna habitat type in the
whole study community

n = Number of fauna habitat type in the study community

i = Fauna habitat type[1]

PARAMETER ESTIMATE = D

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[1]See Appendix D for fauna habitat type

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(c) Data collection and calculations

The terrestrial wildlife data representing each habitat type
are used to examine the intra-community type species diversities. The
stands within each habitat type should be selected at random and the
accumulated number of fauna species and logarithm of accumulated number
of individuals are to be obtained. Such information can be obtained from
the State Department of Wildlife Conservation Service or local universi-
ties. However, in most cases the data will have to be acquired in the
field. The data to be collected are shown in Table 4-9.

(d) Parameter function graph

The funciton of terrestrial fauna species diversity versus
ecological performance (E.P.) is shown in Figure 4-9. The positive linear
function expresses that ecological performance is enhanced with the
improvement in fauna species diversity.

(e) Ecological standards

ITEM \ LEVEL	I	II	III
Ecological Standard	≥ 30.5	≥ 23.0	≥ 15.5

D. Fauna species composition (aesthetic)

Through the wake of large scale environmental reconnaissance
to the recent enactment of environmental laws, aesthetics has acquired
increasing importance. In discussions of the environment, it becomes
inseparable among terms like ecology, pollution, and human interest. In
the parameter of vegetation land use, aesthetic quality measured was of a
static nature, in contrast, aesthetic quality measured by fauna species
composition possesses a dynamic nature.

Things encountered in daily life will create aesthetic impacts
that are felt directly by all individuals, but not all individuals will
react in the same manner and to the same extent. Different individuals
will make different value judgements of the same aesthetic feature as a

TABLE 4-9 DATA COLLECTION AND CALCULATION OF FAUNA SPECIES DIVERSITY

TO BE DETERMINED	DATA REQUIRED	SOURCE	CALCULATION
1) Fauna species diversity of each habitat type (X_i)	(i) Accumulated number of individuals (Y)	U.S.D.A. or Corps of Engineers	A regression line is fitted to the data on the graph with X vs. log Y
	(ii) Accumulated number of fauna species (X)	U.S.D.A. or Corps of Engineer	X_i = number of fauna species in 1,000 individuals
2) Weighted fauna species diversity in each study community (D)	(iii) Percentage of each fauna habitat type in the whole community (T_i)	U.S.D.A. - S.C.S.	$D = \sum_{i=1}^{n} (X_i \cdot T_i)$

PARAMETER ESTIMATE = D
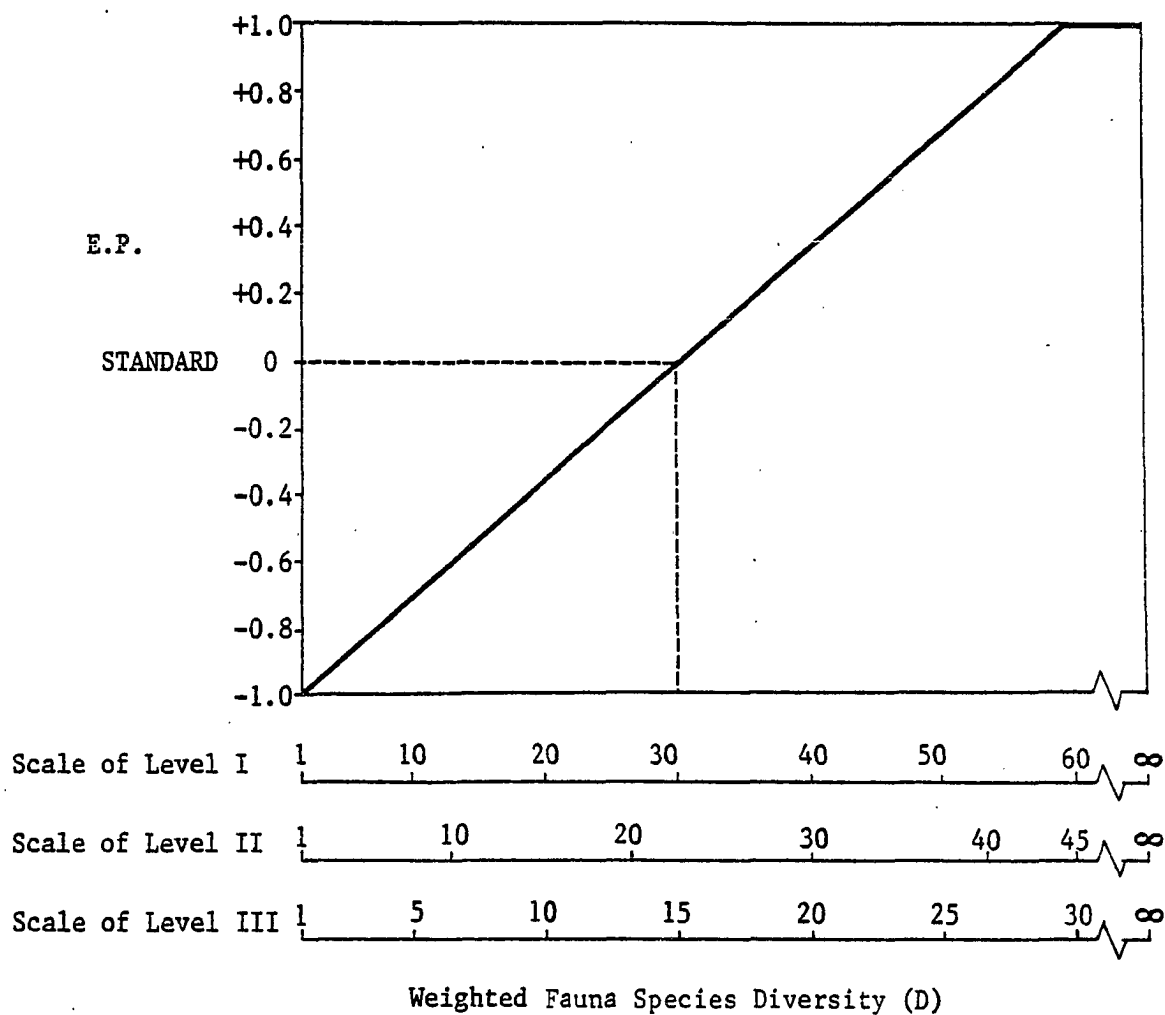
FIGURE 4-9   PARAMETER FUNCTION GRAPH OF TERRESTRIAL FAUNA SPECIES DIVERSITY

result of their own different upbrining, cultural background, social background, etc., but above all, the result of one's personal experience in live. Large beautiful animals (considered by the researchers as beautiful), like elk, leopard, and polar bear will please immensely the eyes of most beholders, but it might elicit no favorable response from any other persons. Therefore, it is almost impossible to fairly bestow the comment of beauty to something expecting unanimous responses.

It is difficult to establish absolute values about what is pleasing no matter how much one knows about what is a pleasant animal to look at or to be around. The methodology developed here attempts to create a balanced trade-off of these considerations without neglecting the highly important natural stability of the ecosystem. It was also decided that measurements of change rather than absolute value is a more reasonable approach to determine aesthetic values.

The composition change of fauna species commonly will reveal conspicuously the fauna change which will indirectly alter man's aesthetic judgement towards them. Therefore, it is suggested to be used to measure the desired change of aesthetic value.

Generally, annual surveys of existing wildlife species and their populations is an unsurmountable task, other than being impractical. Consistent surveys within 5 or 10-year interval will roughly show the fluctuation of a species population size. This kind of change in population size will cause a composition change in the fauna community creating different visual impact on man. Thus, the weighted composition change over a certain period of time will be used as the relative aesthetic value estimate in this parameter.

(a) Methodology

It is indispensible in the discussion of species composition to consider the proportions of existing population of the species. The immediate problem here lies in the fact that substantial quantitative information of wildlife species are often inaccessible, most likely they are scarce in existence. The most common form of information is a relative comparison in "quantitative" terms like common, occasional and rare. In this parameter, the assignment of occurrence modifiers (M_j) is used to differentiate the relative importance of the appearance of species.

Per Unit Change of Species, (j)	Occurrence Modifier $(M_j, j = 1,2,3,4)$
Total number in a class	$M_1 = 10$
Common	$M_2 = 3$
Occasional	$M_3 = 2$
Rare	$M_4 = 1$

The assignment of occurrence weightings as modifiers is in much smaller magnitude than that of the parameters of the food web index discussed in sections 4.2.3-C and 4.2.3-D. In the food web index parameter, it is necessary to assign weightings closely resembling the actual existence of various species, i.e., at least weightings for common species should be large enough to illustrate their dominance. With respect to aesthetic value of the species here, the point of emphasis is the change of the species composition. Decrease in common species will upset people; similarly, abundance of rare species will also please many. Consequently, the weightings of 3, 2, and 1 are only intended for indicating the increase or decrease of the rate of appearance of the wildlife. The change of the total number of species in any animal class is the most crucial and is thus assigned a value of 10. Within a region, the discovery of a new species will excite people and the extinction of a species will displease people.

Like the parameter of vegetation land use, parewise comparison approach is also applied here for assignment of aesthetic weightings to each animal class. Mammals, in spite of size, are all considered to be attractive. In general, when encountering wildlife in open environment, the feeling portrayed by mammals is much more pleasant than that shown by the reptiles. Birds in the sky and fish in the water are both considered to possess intermediate aesthetic qualities because of their short and temporary appearance which prohibits people from prolonged observation of their lifeforms. Commonly, the aesthetic value of birds is considered to be higher than that of fish. Except for a special group of people, like zoologists, etc., encounters with amphibians are not usually pleasant;

hence, amphibians have the lowest aesthetic value. Naids are seldom encountered by people except divers at benthic regions; consequently, they are not considered.

Fauna Class (k)	Aesthetic Weightings of Fauna Species $(A_k, k = 1,2,3,4,5)$
Mammals	$A_1 = 5$
Birds	$A_2 = 4$
Fishes	$A_3 = 3$
Reptiles	$A_4 = 2$
Amphibians	$A_5 = 1$

(b) Formula

$F_{\Delta t}$ = Aesthetic value of fauna species composition change over t years

$$= \sum_{k=1}^{n} \sum_{j=1}^{m} \Delta S_{tjk} \cdot M_j \cdot A_k \qquad (4-11)$$

where

ΔS_{tjk} = Number of wildlife species change in kth animal class with jth occurrence over t years

M_j = Occurrence modifiers

A_k = Aesthetic weightings of fauna species

t = Change over time, an interval of 10 to 20 years is recommended

n = Number of classes of wildlife species, n=5 in this study

k = Class of wildlife species

k = 1 for mammals

k = 2 for birds

k = 3 for fish

k = 4 for reptiles

k = 5 for amphibians

m = Number of occurrence status of wildlife species

m = 3 in this study

j = occurrence status of wildlife species

j = 1 for total number in an animal class

j = 2 for common occurrence

j = 3 for occasional occurrence

j = 4 for rare occurrence

PARAMETER ESTIMATE = $F_{\Delta t}$

(c) Data collection and calculation

The data required in this parameter are the occurrences of the various wildlife species in the study region. Both current and dated data are required because this parameter is a measurement of change over time. Normally, government agencies like the State Department of Wildlife Conservation, the Corps of Engineers or biological stations of local universities can provide this information. Table 4-10 shows the data required and the calculations.

(d) Parameter function graph

The relationship between fauna species composition and ecological performance (E.P.) is that of a linear nature as shown on Figure 4-10. The increase in fauna species' number and population will provide greater visual pleasure and the decrease of which is smaller. The intensity of aesthetic feeling is also considered in here by the aesthetic weightings (A_k) designed. Data of fluctuation of species population size over years, modified by occurrence modifiers (M_j) and aesthetic weightings (A_k) will become the parameter funciton estimate on the X-axis. This aesthetic value when increased will also increase the E.P. The relationship is thus directly proportioned.

If, in the most restricted area (level I), any one of the wildlife species become extinct, the result is an intolerable E.P. Even when there is increase in population size in some species, the change and effect is incomparable to that one specie lost. Hence, the worst E.P. of level I is assigned with a $F_{\Delta t}$ value of -10 which is the weight for a unit

TABLE 4-10   DATA COLLECTION AND CALCULATION OF FAUNA SPECIES COMPOSITION (AESTHETIC)

TO BE DETERMINED	DATA REQUIRED	SOURCE	CALCULATION
Aesthetic value of fauna species composition change over t years (F_t)	i) Number of fauna species in each animal class with their respective occurrence t years ago (S_{tjk}) II) Number of fauna species in each animal class with respective occurrence in exist (S_{ojk})	Dept. of Wildlife Conservation or Corps of Engr. Same as above	a) $\Delta S_{tjk} = S_{ojk} - S_{tjk}$ b) $F_{\Delta t} = \sum\limits_{k=1}^{n} \sum\limits_{j=1}^{m} \Delta S_{tjk} \cdot M_j \cdot A_k$

PARAMETER ESTIMATE = $F_{\Delta t}$

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Weighted Sum of Aesthetic Value of Fauna Species Composition Change over a certain period of time ($F_{\Delta t}$)
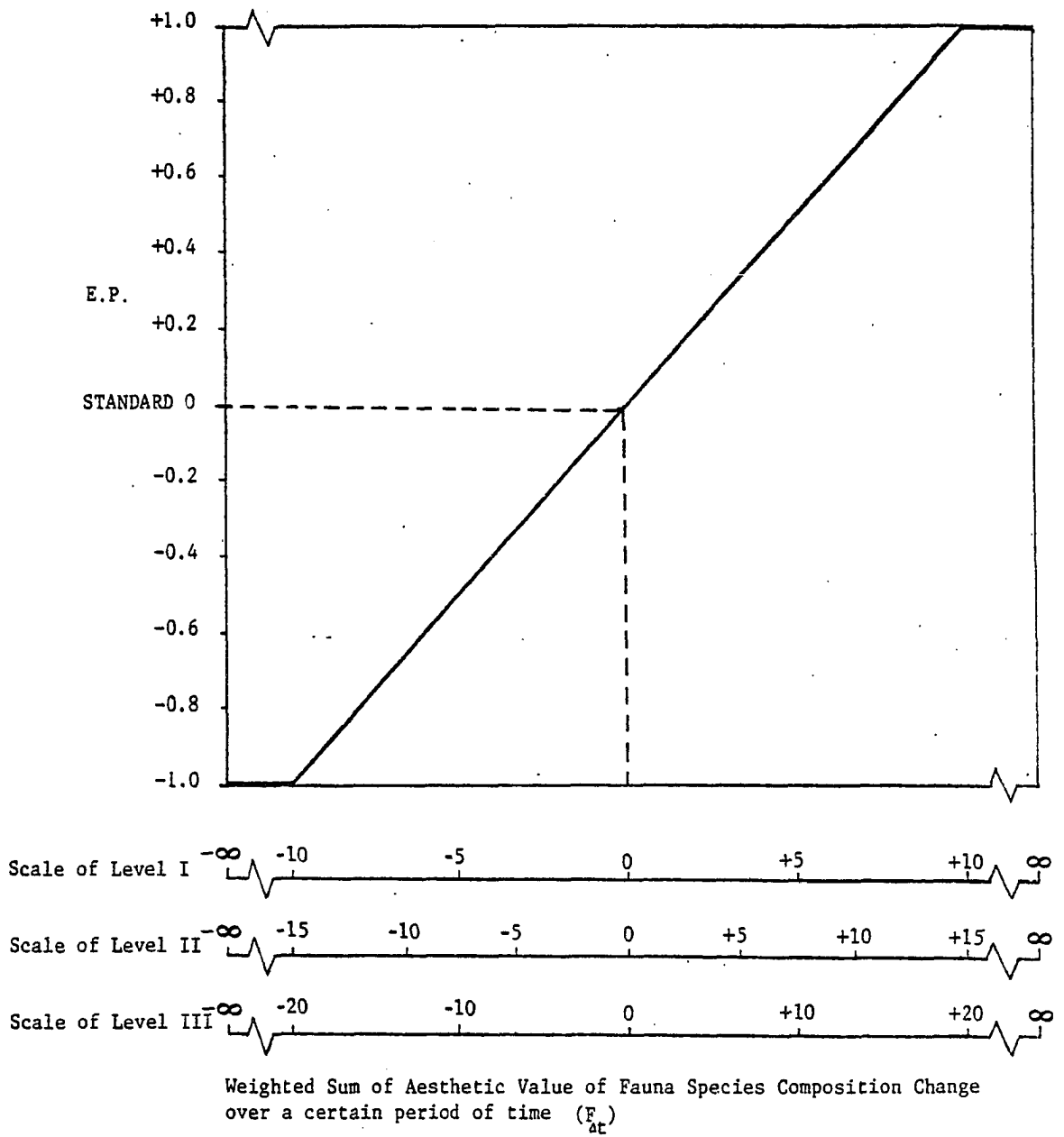
FIGURE 4-10 PARAMETER FUNCTION GRAPH OF FAUNA SPECIES COMPOSITION (AESTHETIC)

of change of total species. The worst $F_{\Delta t}$ value of Level III is assigned at -20, a value equivalent to the disappearance of more than one species or the large scale reduction of desirable species. In Level II area, an intermediate value of -15 is assigned.

(e) Ecological standards

ITEM \ LEVEL	I	II	III
Ecological Standard	NON-NEGATIVE PERCENTAGE CHANGE		

4.2.3 Biota

A. Pest species

Pest species have been defined as the species which are annoying or harmful to man or his crops, livestock, or game animals (5). Those pests could be either in the form of animals (i.e., insects, mites, nematodes, fish, rodents, and mammalian predators) or plants (such as weeds, algae, or other higher plants unwelcome to man). They are generally regarded as enemies of man because they not only compete with man for the natural resources of the earth, e.g., space, light, nutrients, water, etc., but they are also instrumental in spreading many of the deadliest diseases in the ecosystem. In the United States, some 10,000 insect species are classified as pests.

Crop pests have become a serious world economic problem only within the last two centuries. In recent years, the cultivation of a single crop on vast areas of land seemed to be the trend of agricultural development in many countries. Damages incurred by pest species on these monoculture farms are especially phenomenal because once a pest specie infested a monocultivated area it will rapidly spread to the entire region. Canada's grain growing states expect average annual losses ascribed to

weeds of 10 to 15 percent. The United States, despite her full use of modern chemical weapons, suffers an annual loss valued at four to five billion dollars (5).

(a) Methodology

In estimating this parameter, pests are first being divided into two major types: plant and animal species. They are then sub-divided into six categories according to the nature of the species and the type of habitat (Table 4-11).

To determine or estimate the pest species population in an infested area is an almost impossible task and data in this area are deficient. Perhaps, the most objective method to determine the extent or degree of infestation by pest species is to estimate in terms of the area infested. It is extremely difficult to decide to what extent a piece of land should be infested before one can say that it is harmful. This is very much like a philosophical treatise, to draw the line between good and evil is no easy matter. Rather than fruitlessly trying to decide which is harmful or which is not, it was decided that the change over time approach should be used. This will allow one to observe if there is improvement or deterioration of the condition which is showed by the decrease or increase of infested area over a period of time.

When the percentage of infestation of each of the six categories is determined, they are summed and compared with similarly calculated figures determined from data in previous years. This will tell the trend over these years.

The percentage of improvement (positive or negative) can then be estimated by formula (4-17) listed below.

(b) Formulas

1) S_o = Total percentage of area infested by various pest species present

$$= \sum_{i=1}^{n} \frac{P_{io}}{T_{io}} \times 100\% \qquad (4\text{-}12)$$

where

P_{io} = Current acreage infested by ith pest species

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TABLE 4-11   TYPES OF PEST SPECIES

CATEGORY	INTERPRETATION
Plant Species	
Weeds ⌐ in crops	Any undesirable or noxious plants in harvested cropland.
└ in pasture	Any undesirable or noxious plants in all pastureland.
Diseases	Smuts, rusts, root rots, etc.
Animal Species	
Pests ⌐ on crops	Any annoying animal species on harvested cropland.
└ on haycrops	Any annoying animal species on cropland which is being used for pasture or grazing.
Diseases & Carriers	All diseases caused or carried by animals.

T_{io} = Current total acreage where ith pest species may inhabit

n = Total number of categories of pest species, n=6 in this study

i = type of pest species

i = 1 for plant weeds in crops

i = 2 for plant weeds in pastureland

i = 3 for plant diseases

i = 4 for animal pests on crops

i = 5 for animal pests on haycrops

i = 6 for animal diseases & carriers

2) S_t = Total percentage of area infested by various pest species t years ago

$$= \sum_{i=1}^{n} \frac{P_{it}}{T_{it}} \times 100\% \qquad (4-13)$$

where

P_{it} = Acreage infested by ith pest species t years ago

T_{it} = Total acreage where ith pest species may inhabit t years ago

3) $C_{\Delta t}$ = Percentage change of pest species infestation over t years

$$= \frac{S_o - S_t}{S_t} \times 100\% \qquad (4-14)$$

PARAMETER ESTIMATE = $C_{\Delta t}$

(c) Data collection and calculation

Data on the proportion of the terrestrial area within the study region inhabited or infested by the pest species as well as the percentage of diseased animal units are needed. Data of this nature are seldom collected. A set of practical alternative data that can be used here

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(except for the sixth category, animal diseases and carriers) is the acreage on which agricultural chemicals are being used to control various pests. This will enable the determination of the exact area infested by pests. This is based upon the assumption that follows. In general, when there is proper management and adequate supply of agricultural chemicals, any outbreak of pests will be controlled by use of agricultral chemicals. Under that assumption, estimation of the area of infestation by pest species can be performed by estimating cropland and pastureland area on which agricultural chemicals were applied.

In the category of animal diseases and carriers, it is impossible to estimate infestation in terms of area, so expense used for treatment of infestation (dollar value) or the number of livestock treated externally for control of insects is used. This data is available from the responsible government agencies, e.g., state agriculture department and county extension offices, or local universities. U.S.D.A.'s Census of Agriculture has the required data of economic class 1-5 farms, which are defined as the farms with sales of $2,500 and over. This is the desired agricultural information because the farms from which these data are gathered are the ones that have more economic value. Consequently, they are also the ones that have higher ability and potential of applying agricultural chemicals for pest control. The farms considered here will thus to some degree give indication of the conditions of surrounding farms that have less economic value. Table 4-12 shows the data required and the calculations.

(d) Parameter function graph

A linear function is used to describe the percentage change of area of pest infestation over time (see Figure 4-11). The ecological performance (E.P.) value will decrease with increasing percentage change of area impinged, indicating a rise in pests population. The maintenance of zero percentage change of pests over time in Level I or II region is not a satisfactory condition, it merely indicates that either the infested areas are not treated or treatment is insufficient. It is only when the pest are reduced in an infested area, showing signs of improvement that the condition can be called desirable. Therefore ecological standards are set at the beginning of non-positive percentage change. In Level III

TABLE 4-12   DATA COLLECTION AND CALCULATION OF PEST SPECIES

TO BE DETERMINED	DATA REQUIRED			SOURCE	CALCULATION
1) Total Percentage of area infested by various pest species now (S$_o$)	(a) Plant weeds in crops (i=1)	(i)	Acreage of harvested cropland in Class 1-5 Farms (T$_{1o}$)	U.S.D.A.	$\dfrac{P_{1o}}{T_{1o}}$
		(ii)	Acreage on which agricultural chemicals are used to control weeds or grass in crops (P$_{1o}$)		= (ii)/(i)
	(b) Plant weeds in pasture (i=2)	(iii)	Acreage of total pastureland (all types) in Class 1-5 Farms (T$_{2o}$)	U.S.D.A.	$\dfrac{P_{2o}}{T_{2o}}$
		(iv)	Acreage on which agricultural chemicals are used to control weeds or brush in pasture (P$_{2o}$)		= (iv)/(iii)
	(c) Plant diseases (i=3)	(v)	Same as (i) (T$_{3o}$)	U.S.D.A.	$\dfrac{P_{3o}}{T_{3o}}$
		(vi)	Acreage on which agricultural chemicals are used to control diseases in crops and orchards (P$_{3o}$)		= (vi)/(v)
	(d) Animal pests on crops (i=4)	(vii)	Same as (i) (T$_{4o}$)	U.S.D.A.	$\dfrac{P_{4o}}{T_{4o}}$
		(viii)	Acreage on which agricultural chemicals are used to control insects on other crops (P$_{4o}$)		= (viii)/(vii)
	(e) Animal pests on hay crops (i=5)	(ix)	Acreage of cropland used only for pasture or grazing in class 1-5 Farms (T$_{5o}$)	U.S.D.A.	$\dfrac{P_{5o}}{T_{5o}}$
		(x)	Acreage on which agricultural chemicals are used to control insects on hay crops (P$_{5o}$)		= (x)/(ix)
	(f) Animal diseases & carriers (i=6)	(xi)	Class 1-5 farm production expenses ($) on feed for livestock and poultry (T$_{6o}$)	U.S.D.A.	$\dfrac{P_{6o}}{T_{6o}}$
		(xii)	Farm expenses ($) on agricultural chemicals for insect control on livestock and poultry (P$_{6o}$)		= (xii)/(xi)

TABLE 4-12   (Continued)

TO BE DETERMINED	DATA REQUIRED	SOURCE	CALCULATION
			$$S_o = \sum_{i=1}^{n} \frac{P_{io}}{T_{io}} \times 100\%$$ $$= (\ (1)+(2)+(3)+(4)+(5) +(6)) \times 100\%$$
2) Total Percentage of Area Infested by various pest species t-yr ago (S_t)	Same data as above of t-yr ago	U.S.D.A.	$$S_t = \sum_{i=1}^{n} \frac{P_{it}}{T_{it}} \times 100\%$$
3) Percentage change of pest species infestation over Δt years $(C_{\Delta t})$			$$S_{\Delta t} = \frac{S_o - S_t}{S_t} \times 100\%$$ $$= \frac{(1) - (2)}{(2)} \times 100\%$$

PARAMETER ESTIMATE $= C_{\Delta t}$

E.P.

+1.0
+0.8
+0.6
+0.4
+0.2

STANDARD 0

-0.2
-0.4
-0.6
-0.8
-1.0

Scale of Level I   -100%   -50   -25   0   +50%   ∞

Scale of Level II   -100%   -50   -12.5 0   +50   +75%   ∞

Scale of Level III -100%   -50   0   +50   +100%   ∞
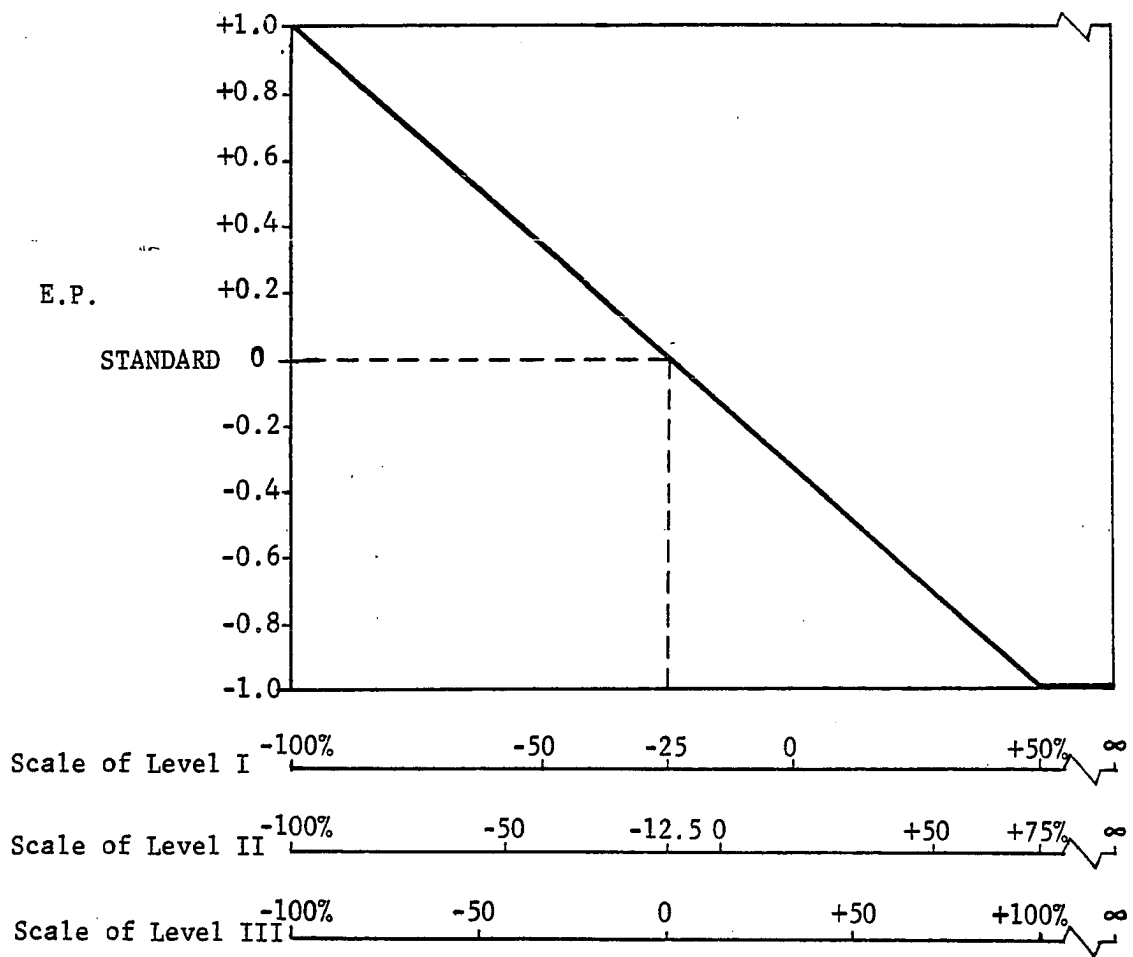
Percentage Change of Pest Species Infestation over Δt Years $(C_{\Delta t})$

FIGURE 4-11   PARAMETER FUNCTION GRAPH OF PEST SPECIES

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region, zero percentage change is accepted as standard. An exception occurs when a piece of land not infested initially does not fall in this calculation category. This is because in such situation, the denominator in the formula will become zero, resulting in infinite percentage change which in any development level will fall in the scale value of worst ecological performance.

Figure 4-11 shows that the zero percentage changes of the three levels are at or below standard. The best conditions of all three levels are set at -100% being the maximum of improvement because complete reduction of infested area is the most desired condition. The worst condition of Level I region is set at +50%. In the most restricted region, when the infested area increases up to 50% within several years, it not only seriously affects the yield and quality of normal reproduction of animals and plants, but also makes the task of treatment extremely difficult. On the other hand, when agricultural pest-control chemicals have to be persistently applied, ecological components and organisms will also be damaged.

The worst condition of Level III is a +100% increase while that of Level II, a +75% increase.

(e) Ecological standards

ITEM \ LEVEL	I	II	III
Ecological Standard	≤ -25%	≤ -12.5%	≤ 0%

B. Utilization of carrying capacity (terrestrial)

Carrying capacity of a specified area is the number of grazers, which includes cattle, horses, sheep, and other livestock as well as the wild herbivores that could be supported on this land if they consumed all the net annual plant production. Grazers are considered as dominant constituents of many terrestrial ecosystems and their quantitative existence is a significant indication of the general stability of the environment. In the human-oriented ecosystem, their role in food resource and recreation is of great importance.

Many relative and compensating factors are inherent in contemplating and analyzing the interaction between the livestock and its environment. Because of such considerations, the idea of carrying capacity is best approached as a concept rather than a simple, definable entity. Carrying capacity can be used to quantify this relationship in a very practical manner.

(a) Methodology

Utilization of carrying capacity, measured as the ratio of the estimated total animal units to the carrying capacity of the study area, expressed as percentage, will be used to evaluate the environmental quality in this study.

A basic consideration in the calculation of carrying capacity is that both the requirements of the animal and the supply of grass must be known before the calculation can be completed. Carrying capacity can be expressed in animal-unit-years into the available acreage of grazing area. These calculations are made on a pasture (or hay) base, by using the pasture (or hay) requirements of an animal unit to determine the amount of food that needs to be ingested.

Before calculation, three assumptions should be made as follows:

1) One animal unit (A.U.) is based on the food consumption of a cow (9,600 lb fresh pasture per year), i.e., annual animal unit food consumption = 9,600 lb/AU-year.

2) Weight of dry hay = ½ weight of fresh grass (dehydration loss during haying process)

3) On the basis of pasture consumption of a cow, one horse is estimated as 1.28 A.U.; one sheep as 0.06 A.U.; one deer as

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0.03 A.U.; one rabbit as 0.025 A.U.; (see the calculation on Appendix E) and all the amount of livestocks will be converted to Animal Units in these proportions.

The estimated net grass production, the amount of grassland requirements of each animal unit and the utilization of carrying capacity will be calculated with the formulas listed below.

(b) Formulas

1) P = Estimated net hay production

$$= \frac{\text{Weight of hay harvested in the study region}}{\text{Acreage of hay harvested in that region}} \quad (4\text{-}15)$$

2) S = Supporting ratio

$$= \frac{\text{Annual animal unit food consumption}}{\text{Estimated net grass production}}$$

$$= \frac{9{,}600 \text{ lb/A.U./year}}{2P} \quad (4\text{-}16)$$

3) C = Carrying capacity of the study region

$$= \frac{\text{Acreage of grazing area}}{\dfrac{\text{Annual animal unit food consumption}}{\text{Estimated net grass production}}}$$

$$= \frac{\text{Acreage of grazing area}}{S} \quad (4\text{-}17)$$

4) N = Total animal units occurring in the study region

= # Cows + (# Horses x 1.28) + (# Sheep x 0.06) +

(# Deer x 0.03) + (# Rabbits x 0.025) + . . . (4-18)

5) U = Utilization of carrying capacity

$$= \frac{\text{Total animal units occurring in the study region}}{\text{Carrying capacity of the study region}} \times 100\%$$

$$= \frac{N}{C} \times 100\% \quad (4\text{-}19)$$

PARAMETER ESTIMATE = U

(c) Data collection and calculations

Data on the weight and acreage of hay harvested and the acreage on the grazing area are needed in this parameter. State Department of

Agriculture and local universities may supply such information. U.S.D.A. Census of Agriculture and Soil Conservation Service have some of the data as shown in Table 4-13.

(d) Parameter function graph

The function of utilization of carrying capacity versus environmental performance (E.P.) is shown in Figure 4-12.

In a Level III region, E.P. rises with the increase in utilization of the potential grazing areas prior to the 50% utilization and maximum performance is achieved at 50-60%. Beyond this rnage, the stability of the ecosystem is considered to be interrupted and E.P. begins to degrade rapidly. A minimum of 40% of the annual plant production must remain in the ecosystem because this is necessary for rejuvenation of the system. The 40% is inclusive of that required for continuous plant growth, replenishment of consumption or other causes of lose. Thus, it is clear that any use exceeding 60% of annual plant production will result in serious degradation of the E.P. of the ecosystem.

In a Level II region, the range of E.P. is determined by proportional expansion of 80% of the E.P. range of Level III, while the starting point of the best performance stays on 50%. Because of the difference in the decreasing rate of the curve, the limits of the range can be expanded to 58% toward the overgrazing sides. In a like manner, 60% of the E.P. range of Level III region is applied to Level I range determination. The expanded limits of best performance range are from 50% to 56%.

(e) Ecological standards

ITEM \ LEVEL	I	II	III
Ecological Standard	≤ 68%	≤ 74%	≤ 80%

TABLE 4-13   DATA COLLECTION AND CALCULATION OF UTILIZATION OF CARRYING
CAPACITY

ITEM TO BE DETERMINED	DATA REQUIRED	SOURCE	CALCULATION
1) Estimated net hay production (P)	(i) Acreage of hay harvested (excluding sorghum hay) in all farms.	U.S.D.A.	$P = (ii) / (i)$
	(ii) Tonage of hay harvested (excluding sorghum hay) in all farms		
2) Supporting Ratio (S)	-		$S = \dfrac{9,600}{2P}$
3) Carrying Capacity (C)	(iii) Acreage of total pasture land and rangeland	U.S.D.A.-S.C.S.	$C = \dfrac{(iii)}{S}$
4) Total animal units occurring (N)	(iv) Number of cattle and calves in all farms	U.S.D.A.	$N = (iv) + (v) \times 1.28$ $+ (vi) \times 0.06$ $+ \ldots$
	(v) Number of horses and ponies in all farms		
	(vi) Number of sheep and lambs in all farms		
	(vii) Number of other grazers in the study area	Dept. of Wildlife Conservation	
5) Utilization of carrying capacity (U)	-		$U = \dfrac{N}{C} \times 100\%$

PARAMETER ESTIMATE $= U$

$$= \frac{(iv) + (v) \times 1.28 + (vi) \times 0.06 + (vii) \times \ldots}{\dfrac{(iii)}{\dfrac{9600}{(ii)/(i)}}} \times 100\%$$

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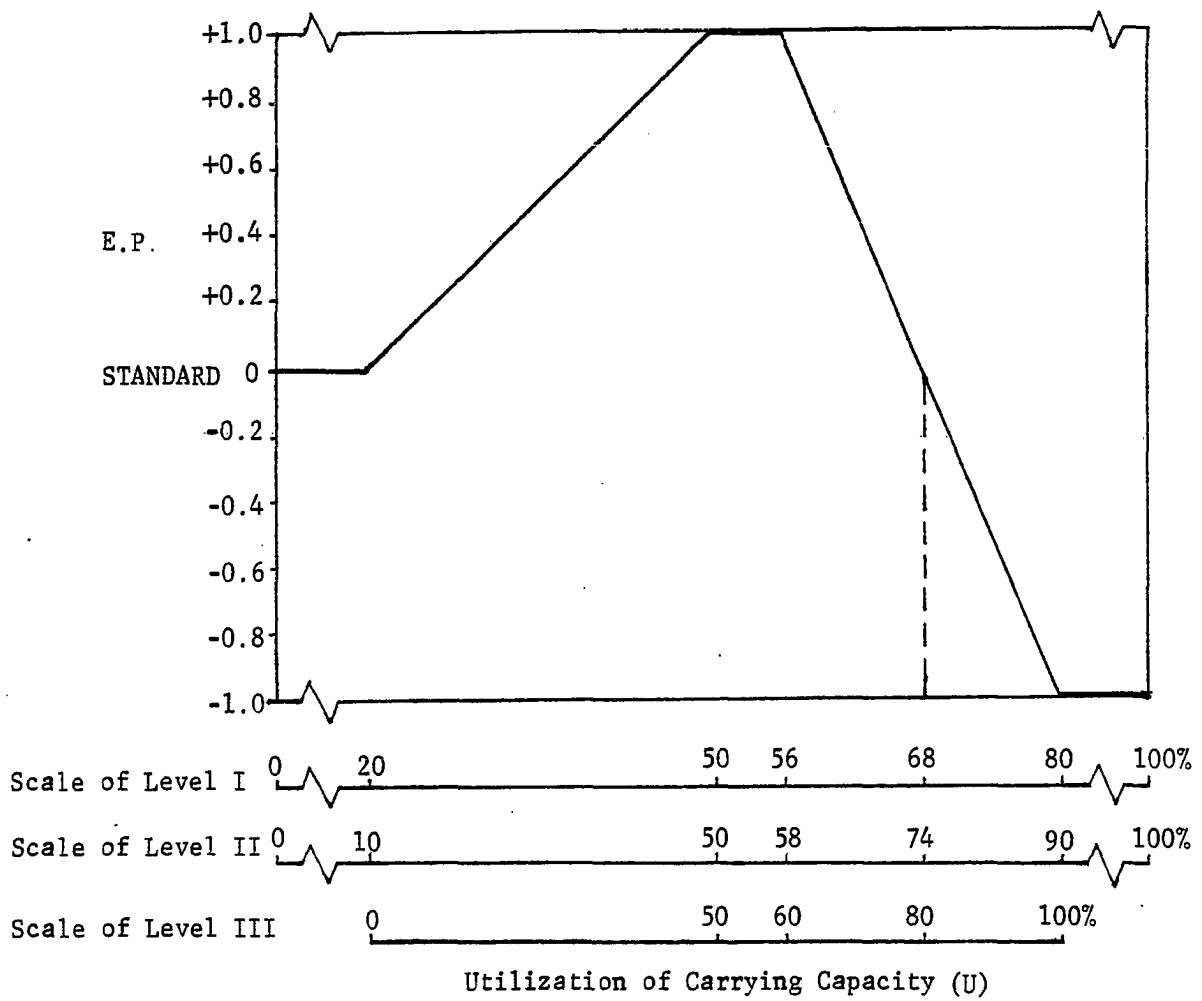
FIGURE 4-12   PARAMETER FUNCTION GRAPH OF UTILIZATION OF CARRYING CAPACITY

C. Terrestrial food web

In any given community the circulation of food is an interwoven system of feeding interrelations. The whole system is termed the food web, and the separable strands of food and feeder are termed food chains. A food chain, as such, is an arbitrary device for studying a few directly related portions of the food web. Instead of considering each link in the chain to be composed of one species, it is often best, when studying the food web, to group together the organisms with similar trophic levels. Food web is defined as a group of organisms whose food is obtained from plants by the same number of steps as follow:

TROPHIC LEVEL	FOOD SOURCES
Detritivores (Organisms)	decompose detritus that enter the ecosystem
Primary Producers (Green Plants or Autotrophs)	fixed sunlight energy
Primary Consumers (Herbivores)	feed upon primary producers
Secondary Consumers (Carnivores)	feed upon primary consumers and primary producers
Tertiary Consumers (Higher Carnivores)	feed upon all the lower levels

The size classes of animals form a "pyramid of numbers", where lower level animals have a higher reproductive potential than larger ones. Since the energy value of food eaten must eventually balance the physiological energy expended in obtaining this food, predators generally eat animals in the next lowest size level to conserve this energy expenditure (52).

The balance among the three animal levels, herbivores, carnivores and higher carnivores is important if adequate regulation of the

system is to be achieved. A system out of balance is characterized by over population and subsequent sudden decrease in the unregulated populations.

In the ecological food web, despite the fact that some species rely on both terrestrial and aquatic food sources, the majority of species (see Appendix D) are surviving in very dissimilar environments of the same ecosystem; in other words, they either depend entirely upon food supply from terrestrial source or from aquatic source. Thus, in the discussion of ecological performance, the food web is broken down into two major webs, the terrestrial web and the aquatic web. In doing so, the exact nature of food webs in terrestrial communities can be better and more precisely understood.

(a) Methodology

Terrestrial food webs can be examined quantitatively by counting or estimating the number of animals present per given area or volume of environmental medium. An ecological community will achieve greater stability as food webs become more complex, providing more interconnected prey-predator relationships. Because there is a relative difference in the role of each animal trophic level in the food web, it is necessary to establish a weighting value to represent the relative importance of the various trophic levels. In this parameter, a weighting factor called trophic level modifier (L_i) is established according to the degree of dominance in predation. Their relative weights are summarized in Table 4-14.

The assignment of the heaviest weight to the tertiary consumers is based upon the following assumptions:

(i) The size of lower level animals are usually controlled by their predators, while the larger carnivores are limited by the supply of their essential resources. Great numbers of higher carnivores imply stronger prey-predator relationships which in turn will smoothen the food cycle.

(ii) Because of the limitations of survival requirements, lower trophic level animals generally have little influence on the food web. A weighting one third of the tertiary's is assigned to the primary consumers because of their passive and predator-limited role in the food web. Primary producers and detritivores can not prey upon other animals; they

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TABLE 4-14   TROPHIC LEVEL MODIFIERS OF FAUNA SPECIES

Animal Trophic Level	Trophic Level Modifier (L_i, i=1, 2, 3)
Primary Consumers	$L_1 = 0.33$
Secondary Consumers	$L_2 = 0.67$
Tertiary Consumers	$L_3 = 1.00$

are completely passive in the food web. Therefore, zero weights are assigned.

      (iii) Secondary consumers are carnivores that consume the herbivores and the weight assigned to them is two thirds of the tertiary's.

      The occurrence modifier (R_j), which is a weighted estimate of the relative occurrence of the existing species is shown in Table 4-15.

      In this study, the estimations of individuals in the various species (rare and common) are not absolute values. The common or rare concept is used only to reflect the number of each specie that could be expected under normal observational conditions. The weightings of occurrence are assigned so as to represent the actual quantitative existence of the various species; these are not the actual number of animals existing. The intention is to assign enough weight to commonly occurring species to illustrate their dominance. In the calculations that follow, one will observe that whether the assignment of occurrence ratio is 50:5:1 or 200:20:1, the result calculated will not be much different from that using a ratio of 100:10:1. Another reason in choosing the 100:10:1 ratio is that it reflects the energy level of the food chain. Each link of the trophic level in the food chain decreases the available energy by about one order of magnitude (order of ten) (52).

      The total weighted number of terrestrial animal species divided by the total number of terrestrial species which is only modified by a single occurrence modifier will be the estimated food web index in a specific area. The formulas used are listed below.

      (b) Formulas

          1) T_{ij} = Total number of terrestrial species with _ith_ trophic level and _jth_ occurrence

$$= \sum_{k=1}^{c} S_{ijk} \qquad (4\text{-}20)$$

where

S_{ijk} = Number of species in _kth_ animal class with _ith_ trophic level and _jth_ occurrence

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TABLE 4-15   OCCURRENCE MODIFIERS OF FAUNA SPECIES

Occurrence	Interpretation	Occurrence Modifier $(R_j, j = 1, 2, 3)$
Common	Occurring in many localities in large numbers	$R_1 = 100$
Occasional	Occurring in several localities in small numbers	$R_2 = 10$
Rare	Highly localized, restricted by scarcity of habitat or low numbers	$R_3 = 1$

c = Number of the classes of animal species that
consume terrestrial food supply, c=4 for this
study

K = Class of animal species

k = 1 for amphibians

k = 2 for reptiles

k = 3 for birds

k = 4 for mammals

2) W = Total weighted number of terrestrial animal species
(weighted density estimate)

= (Total number of terrestrial species with their
respective trophic level and occurrence) x (trophic
level modifier) x (occurrence modifier)

$$= \sum_{i=1}^{m} \sum_{j=1}^{n} (T_{ij} \cdot L_i \cdot R_j) \qquad (4-21)$$

where

m = Number of trophic levels, m=3 in this study

i = Trophic levels

i = 1 for primary consumers

i = 2 for secondary consumers

i = 3 for tertiary consumers

n = Number of occurrence status, n=3 in this study

j = Occurrence status of each species

j = 1 for common occurrence

j = 2 for occasional occurrence

j = 3 for rare occurrence

3) V = Total number of terrestrial species modified by the
occurrence (unweighted total density estimate)

$$= \sum_{i=1}^{m} \sum_{j=1}^{n} (T_{ij} \cdot R_j) \qquad (4-22)$$

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4)   F = Terrestrial food web index

$$= \frac{\text{Weighted density estimate}}{\text{Unweighted total density estimate}} \times 100\%$$

$$= \frac{W}{V} \times 100\% \qquad\qquad (4\text{-}23)$$

$$= \frac{\displaystyle\sum_{i=1}^{m}\sum_{j=1}^{n} (T_{ij} \cdot L_i \cdot R_j)}{\displaystyle\sum_{i=1}^{m}\sum_{j=1}^{n} (T_{ij} \cdot R_j)} \times 100\% \qquad (4\text{-}24)$$

PARAMETER ESTIMATE = F

(c) Data collection and calculations

Numbers of terrestrial animal species with their respective trophic level and occurrence in each animal class are needed for this parameter. Because of the lack of absolute quantitative data, the relative occurrence of each species estimated by the State Department of Wildlife Conservation or Corps of Engineers can be used instead (88). The statistical trophic level of each terrestrial species may be provided by local universities or inquiries into various biological dictionaries and handbooks (see Table 4-16).

(d) Parameter function graph

The relationship of food web and ecological performance (E.P.) is that of a linear nature as shown in Figure 4-13. In any ecosystem, the stronger the dominance of tertiary consumers species among the various trophic levels in existence, the stronger will be the interconnecting power of food web. This directly proportional relationship also leads to a more stable ecosystem and, consequently, higher E.P.

From observing the formulas developed in the previous section, the condition of the weakest food web can be found occurring at 33.3%, at which nearly all species are dependent on the primary consumers for survival. Conditions as such will greatly hamper the efficiency and balance

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TABLE 4-16 DATA COLLECTION AND CALCULATION OF TERRESTRIAL FOOD WEB

ITEM TO BE DETERMINED	DATA REQUIRED	SOURCE	CALCULATION
1) Total number of terrestrial species with their respective trophic level and occurrence (T_{ij})	Number of species in each terrestrial animal class with their respective trophic level and occurrence (S_{ijk})	Dept. of Wildl. Conservation or Corps. of Engr.	$T_{ij} = \sum_{k=1}^{c} S_{ijk}$
2) Total weighted number of terrestrial animal species (W)			$W = \sum_{i=1}^{m} \sum_{j=1}^{n} (T_{ij} \cdot L_i \cdot R_j)$
3) Total number of terrestrial species modified by the occurrence (V)			$V = \sum_{i=1}^{m} \sum_{j=1}^{n} (T_{ij} \cdot R_j)$
4) Terrestrial food web index (F)			$F = \dfrac{W}{V} \times 100\%$

PARAMETER ESTIMATE = F
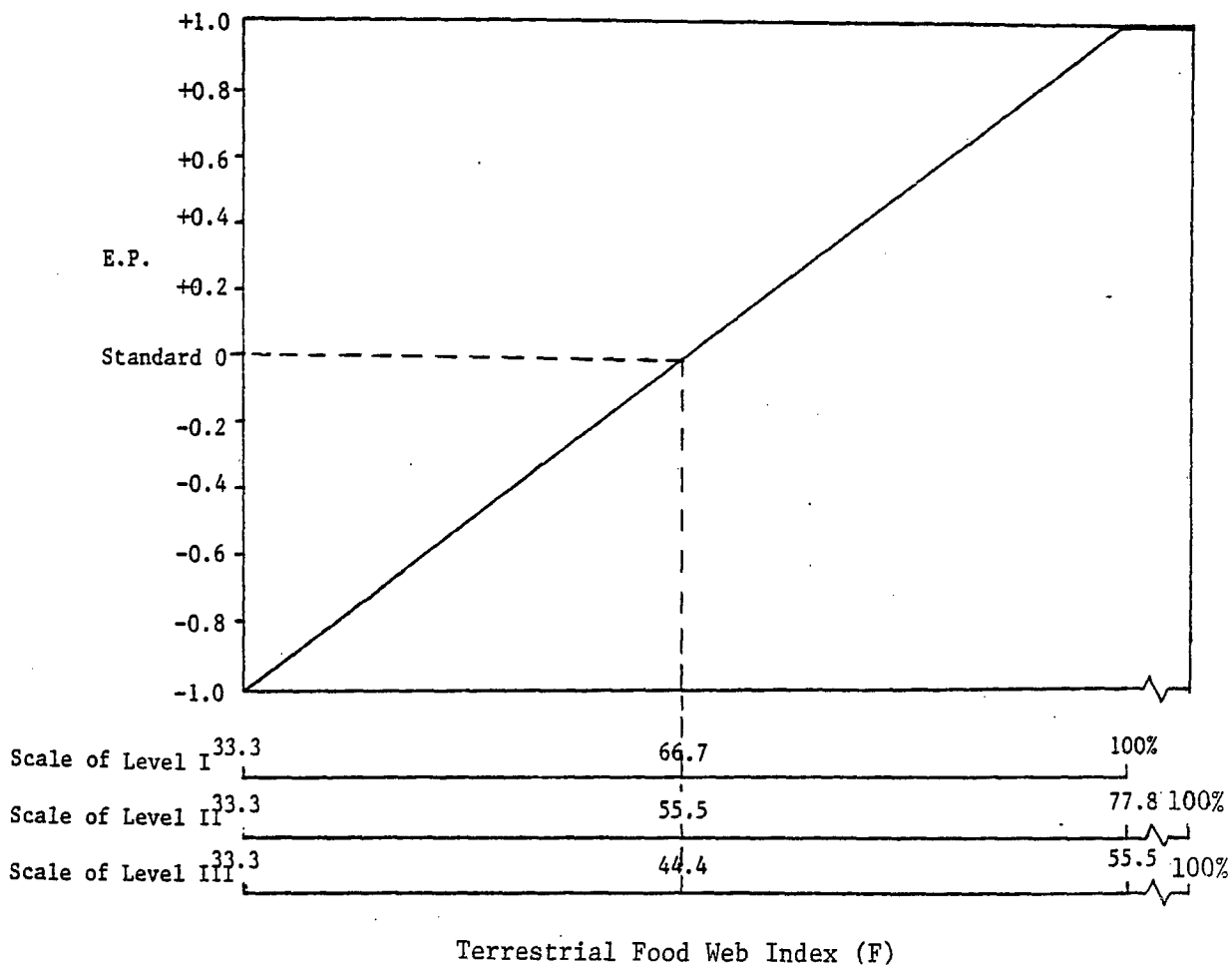
FIGURE 4-13   PARAMETER FUNCTION GRAPH OF TERRESTRIAL FOOD WEB

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of a biological cycle, thus the minimal E.P. occurs at 33.3%. The three desired optimal conditions of level I, II and III development are located respectively, corresponding to each one's degree of restriction or allowance, at 66.7%, 55.5% and 44.4%. These are also the ecological standards for each development level.

(e) Ecological standards

ITEM LEVEL	I	II	III
Ecological Standards	≥ 66.7%	≥ 55.5%	≥ 44.4%

D. Aquatic food web

The trophic relationships existing in the aquatic system are similar to that in the terrestrial communities. Dissolved nutrients enter the water and are incorporated into organic substances of primary producers, i.e., autotrophic bacteria, phytoplankton, and aquatic weeds. These may die and by bacterial action become incorporated in the ooze at the bottom, or they may be eaten by primary consumers, such as zooplankton, larvae, and worms. The primary consumers are preyed upon by bottom-living insects and small carnivores such as minnows, water beetles, small game fish. These are termed secondary consumers. The secondary consumers are preyed upon by the larger carnivores (the tertiary consumers) such as big game fish, fish-eating birds. Finally, if they are not themselves preyed upon by other animals, they will die and contribute to the ooze (6).

These food chains are linked together by other side chains into aquatic food webs which has the same stretch sequence as that in the terrestrial communities (see Terrestrial Food Web parameter in the previous section). To enhance the stability of the aquatic ecological system, the aquatic food web system should be maintained as a large and complex organic structure that will mitigate the perturbations of the physical environment. This may be facilitated by increasing the complexity of

the interconnected prey-predator relationships.

(a) Methodology

The methodology of this parameter is comparable to the terrestrial food web index, except that six classes of animals are involved in the aquatic food web. Besides naiads and fishes, limnic amphibians, reptiles, birds and mammals are included. Therefore, any animals that regularly take as part of their food diet aquatic life should be included. Because of this consideration many animals that ingest both terrestrial and aquatic food will be counted twice in both the terrestrial food web parameter and in this parameter.

The total weighted number of aquatic and limnic species divided by the total number of aquatic and limnic species which is only modified by the single occurrence modifier will be the estimated aquatic food web index in a specific area. The formula is essentially the same as that in the terrestrial parameter.

(b) Formula

1) T_{ij} = Total number of aquatic and limnic species with ith trophic level and jth occurrence

$$\sum_{k=1}^{c} S_{ijk} \qquad (4\text{-}25)$$

where

S_{ijk} = Number of species in kth animal class with ith trophic level and jth occurrences

c = Number of the classes of animal species that consume aquatic food supply. c=6 in this study

k = Class of animal species that consume aquatic food supply

k = 1 for limnic amphibians

k = 2 for limnic reptiles

k = 3 for limnic birds

k = 4 for limnic mammals

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k = 5 for naiads

k = 6 for fishes

2) W = Total weighted number of aquatic and limnic animal species (weighted density estimate)

= (Total number of aquatic and limnic species with their respective trophic level and occurrence) x (Trophic level modifier) x (Occurrence modifier)

$$= \sum_{i=1}^{m} \sum_{j=1}^{n} (T_{ij} \cdot L_i \cdot R_j) \qquad (4\text{-}26)$$

where

m = Number of the trophic levels, m=3 in this study

i = Trophic level

i = 1 for primary consumers

i = 2 for secondary consumers

i = 3 for tertiary consumers

n = Number of occurrence status, n=3 in this sutdy

j = Occurrence status of each species

j = 1 for common occurrence

j = 2 for occasional occurrence

j = 3 for rare occurrence

3) V = Total number of aquatic and limnic species modified by the occurrence (unweighted total density estimate)

= (Total number of aquatic and limnic species with their respective trophic level and occurrence) x (occurrence modifier)

$$= \sum_{i=1}^{m} \sum_{j=1}^{n} (T_{ij} \cdot R_j) \qquad (4\text{-}27)$$

4) F = Aquatic food web index

$$= \frac{\text{Weighted density estimate}}{\text{Unweighted total density estimate}} \times 100\%$$

$$= \frac{W}{V} \times 100\% \qquad\qquad (4\text{-}28)$$

$$= \frac{\displaystyle\sum_{i=1}^{m} \sum_{j=1}^{n} (T_{ij} \cdot L_i \cdot R_j)}{\displaystyle\sum_{i=1}^{m} \sum_{j=1}^{n} (T_{ij} \cdot R_j)} \times 100\% \qquad (4\text{-}29)$$

PARAMETER ESTIMATE = F

(c) Data collection and calculations

Data on the number of aquatic and limnic animal species with their respective trophic levels and occurrence in each animal class are needed for this parameter. Because of the lack of absolute quantitative data, the relative occurrence of each species as estimated by the State Department of Wildlife Conservation and the Corps of Engineers can be used instead. The statistical trophic level of each aquatic species may be provided by local universities or inquiries into various biological dictionaries and handbooks. Table 4-17 shows this information.

(d) Parameter function graph

The relationship of aquatic food web and ecological performance (E.P.) is the same as that of terrestrial food web index as shown in Figure 4-14. In any aquatic ecosystem, the stronger the dominance of tertiary consumer species among the various trophic levels in existence, the stronger will be the interconnecting prey-predator correlations of food web. The increase of this directly proportional relationship will lead to a more stable ecosystem and consequently high E.P.

From observing the formula developed in the previous section, the condition of weakest food web can be found occurring at 33.3%, at which nearly all species are dependent on the primary consumers for survival. Conditions as such will greatly hamper the efficiency and

TABLE 4-17 DATA COLLECTION AND CALCULATION OF AQUATIC FOOD WEB

ITEM TO BE DETERMINED	DATA REQUIRED	SOURCE	CALCULATION
1) Total number of aquatic and limnic species with their respective trophic level and occurrence (T_{ij})	Number of species in each aquatic and limnic animal class with their respective trophic level and occurrence (S_{ijk})	Dept. of wildl. Conservation or Corps. of Engr.	$T_{ij} = \sum\limits_{k=1}^{c} S_{ijk}$
2) Total weighted number of aquatic and limnic animal species (W)			$W = \sum\limits_{i=1}^{m} \sum\limits_{j=1}^{n} (T_{ij} \cdot L_i \cdot R_j)$
3) Total number of aquatic and limnic species modified by the occurrence (V)			$V = \sum\limits_{i=1}^{m} \sum\limits_{j=1}^{n} (T_{ij} \cdot R_j)$
4) Aquatic food web index (F)			$F = \dfrac{W}{V} \times 100\%$ $= \dfrac{\sum\limits_{i=1}^{m} \sum\limits_{j=1}^{n} (T_{ij} \cdot L_i \cdot R_j)}{\sum\limits_{i=1}^{m} \sum\limits_{j=1}^{n} (T_{ij} \cdot R_j)} \times 100\%$

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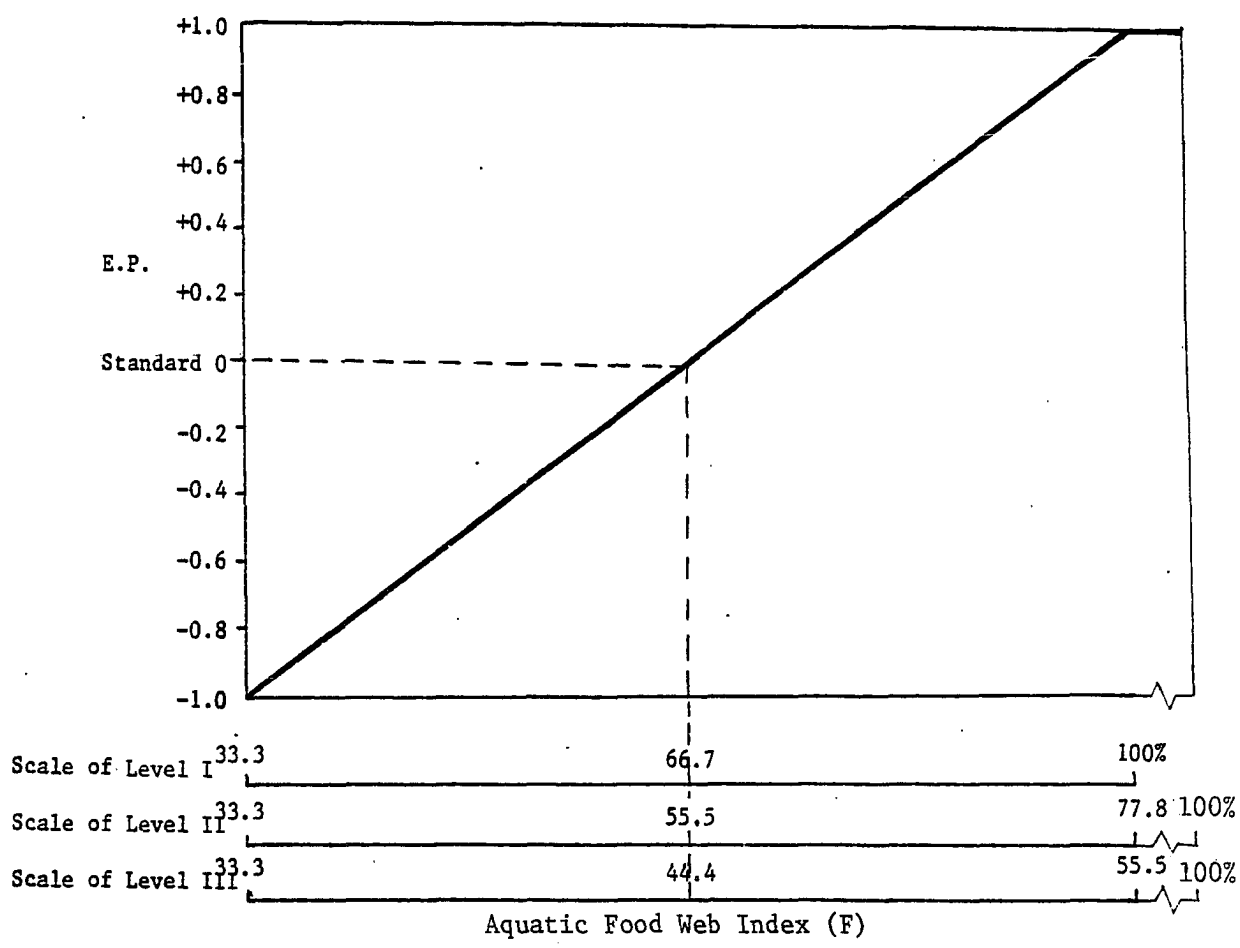
FIGURE 4-14 PARAMETER FUNCTION GRAPH OF AQUATIC FOOD WEB

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balance of a biological cycle, thus the minimal E.P. occurs at 33.3%. The three desired optimal conditions of Level I, II and III development are located respectively, corresponding to each one's degree of restriction or allowance, at 66.7%, 55.5% and 44.4%. These are also the ecological standards for each development level.

        (e) Ecological standards

ITEM LEVEL	I	II	III
Ecological Standard	≥66.7%	≥55.5%	≥44.4%

CHAPTER V

METHODOLOGY VALIDATION

5.1 Description of The Field Test Region

The field test region of this research is the Mid-Arkansas River Basin (M.A.R.B.) in north-central Oklahoma. The selected test area (Figure 5-1) includes Pawnee, Creek, Osage and Tulsa counties. Of the total 2.8 million acres of land in the test region only about 374,400 acres are developed. The majority of the developed land lies within the Tulsa metropolitan area. The remaining 2.5 million acres of land are managed in agriculture and to a lesser extent forestry. The 1970 population in the four-county area was 489,000 with the 1980 projected population expected to reach 554,000.

The topography of the Mid-Arkansas River Basin consists of rolling terrain of the Great Plains with broken hills and broad river valleys. Broad, cuestatype ridges slope gently to the west with their east-facing escarpments dissected by headward erosion into a series of short valleys and ravines. The bedrock consists mainly of shales and limestones with occasional lenticular sandstone beds of the Permian age.

Man has greatly altered the natural vegetation over most of the test area by placing over 60 percent of the land under cultivation.

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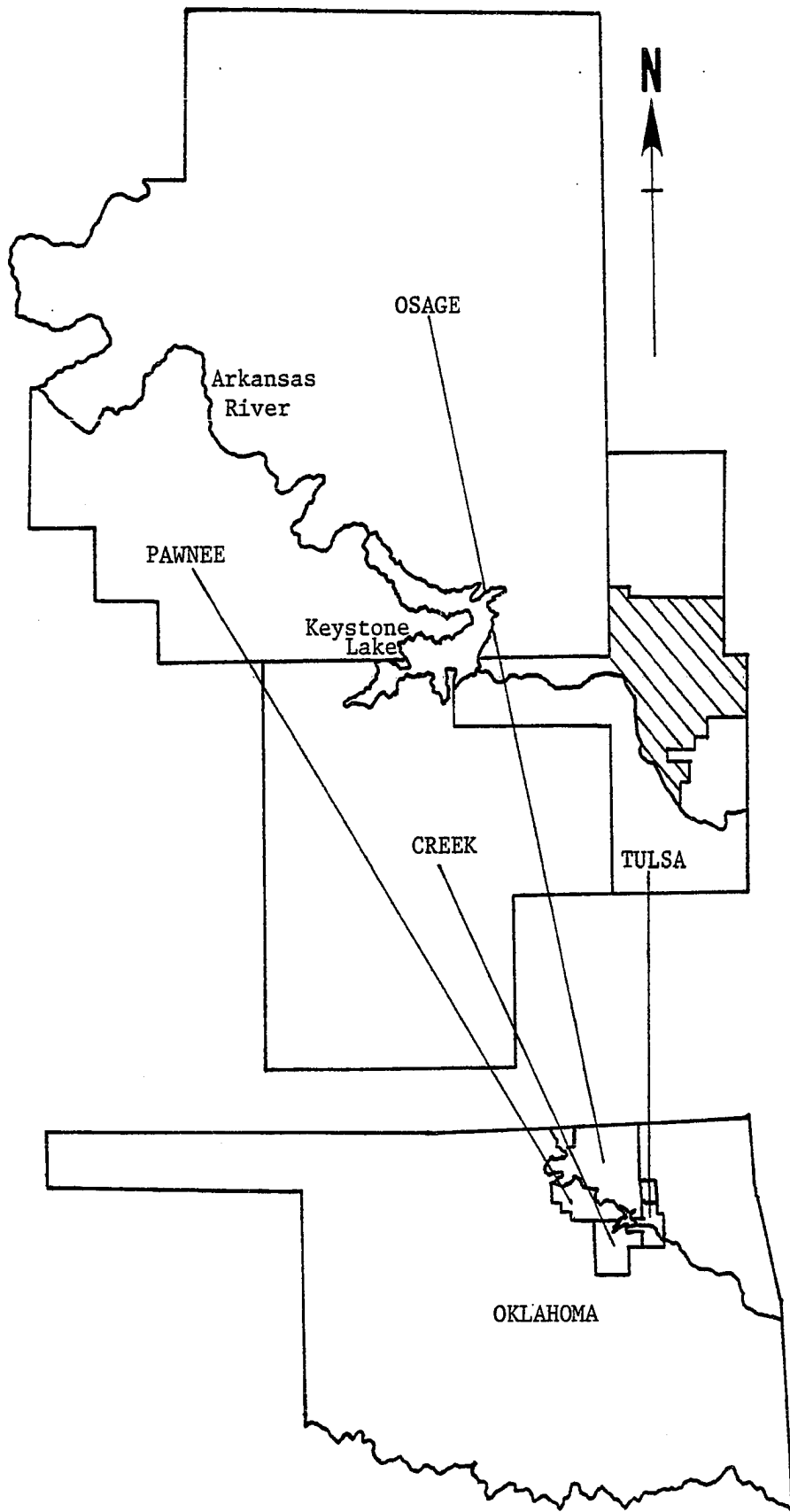
FIGURE 5-1   FIELD TEST REGION: FOUR-COUNTY REGION IN MID-ARKANSAS RIVER BASIN

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The remaining land falls into three types of natural vegetation with the following percentages: bluestem prairie 52.6%, upland (post-oak blackjack) forest 30.2%, and bottomland (floodplain) forest 17.2%. Investigators have carried out extensive studies of the region's vegetation (88). A list of plant species of the test area is shown in Appendix C-1 to C-8.

The Arkansas River between the Kansas border and Tulsa has an estimated average annual runoff of 3,273,000 acre-feet that is equivalent to an average discharge of 4,521 cubic feet per second (cfs). A minimum monthly flow of 15 cfs is estimated to have occurred over the past 43 years (34).

Tributaries of the Arkansas in the four-county region include the Cimarron River, Black Bear Creek and the Salt Fork of the Arkansas River. The multipurpose Keystone Reservoir is located on the Arkansas River at its confluence with the Cimarron River 14 miles west of Tulsa. Keystone reservoir stores 663,000 acre-feet of water at a conservation pool elevation of 723 feet above mean sea level, with a total surface area of 26,300 acres and a shoreline of 330 miles. At flood control pool elevation there are 1,879,000 acre-feet of water stored with a surface area of 55,400 acres.

The Mid-Arkansas River Basin is characterized climatically by long warm summers and mild winters. Annual average temperature is 58°F with an average of 34°F in January and 81°F in July. Average annual precipitation for the region is 38 inches with over 70 percent of this occurring between April and September.

The validation or field test procedures of this methodology is done by the three steps delineated in sections 5.2, 5.3 and 5.4. Sections 5.2 and 5.3 concern with development level indicators and their performance levels. Section 5.4 deals with the ecological parameters, which finally leads to a set of values of ecological performance and their comparison with the standards of the region. Figure 5-2 is a flow diagram of methodology validation.

Seventy-seven counties in Oklahoma is used as the comparison base when determining the development level of the field test area. Data on these counties are collected and discussed in the following two sections.
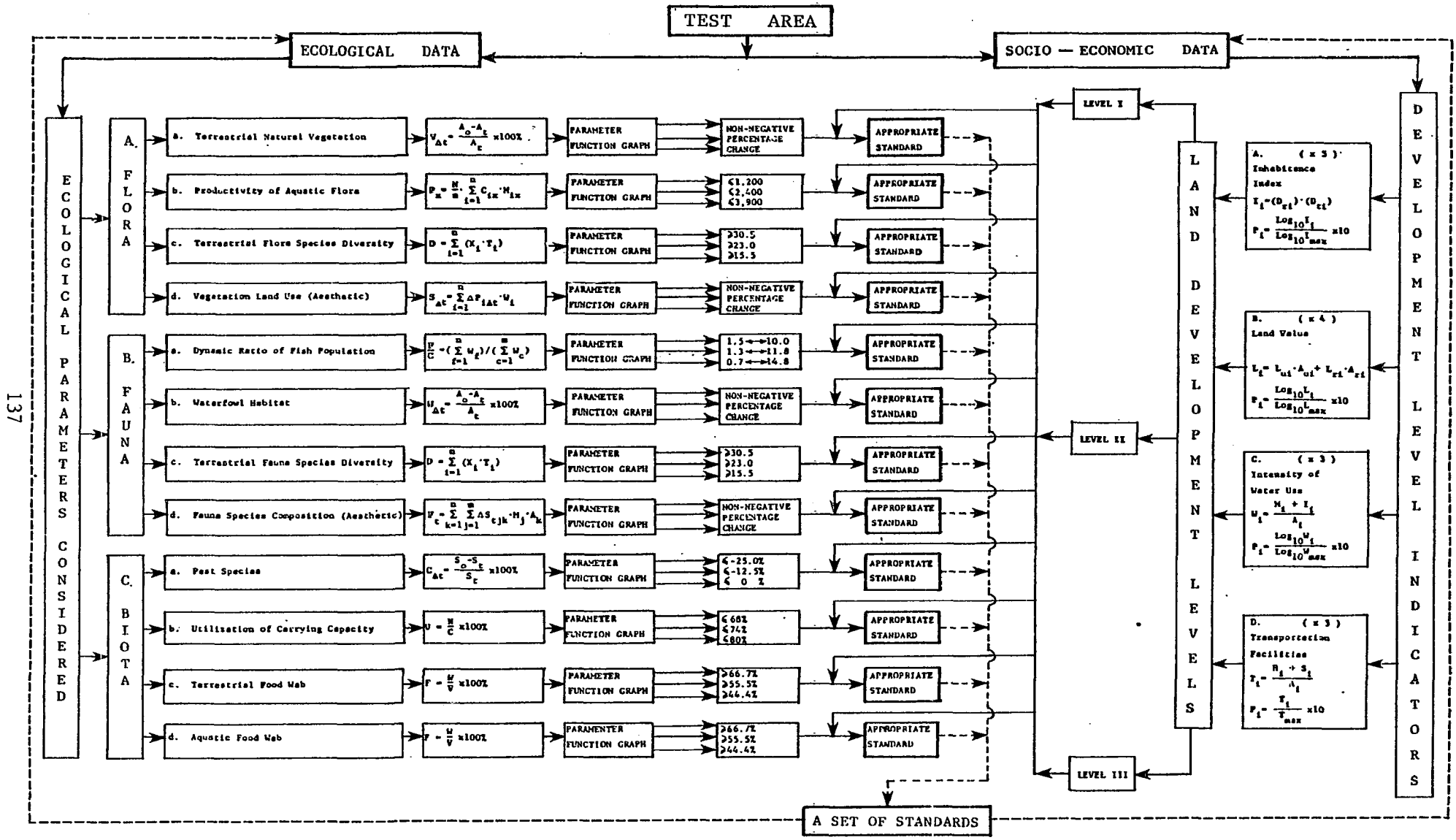
FIGURE 5-2   FLOW DIAGRAM OF METHODOLOGY VALIDATION

5.2 Field Test: Development Level Indicators
and Their Performance Levels

5.2.1 Inhabitance Index

In order to compute inhabitance index of each county in Oklahoma, the following information was collected on the county basis, listed also are the data sources:

(i)   percentage of rural population

(ii) rural land area: Soil Conservation Service, Oklahoma Conservation Needs Inventory 1970

(iii) total population: U.S. Census of Population, 1970

(iv) total land area: Census of Agriculture, 1969

Rural population density (D_{ri}), total population density (D_{ti}) and inhabitance index (I_i) for each county were obtained by substituting the collected data into the following equations:

$$D_{ri} = \frac{(i) \times (iii)}{(ii)}$$

$$D_{ti} = \frac{(iii)}{(iv)}$$

$$I_i = (D_{ri}) \times (D_{ti})$$

All the collected data and computation results are shown on Table 5-1. It can be noted that the inhabitance index ranges from 5.06 of Cimarron County to 38,232.39 of Oklahoma County which is the maximum value in Oklahoma (I_{max}); and I_{max} is then used to determine the inhabitance index indicator performance level (P) of each county by substituting into the equation below:

$$P_i = \frac{\log I_i}{\log I_{max}} \times 10$$

The results are also shown in Table 5-1.

County	Total Population	Total Land Area (mile^2)	Population Density (pop/mile^2)	Percent of Rural Population	Rural Population	Rural Land Area (mile^2)	Rural Density (pop/mile^2)	Inhabitance Index	Indicator Performance Level
Adair	15144	570	26.60	100	15141	570	26.60	707.56	6.22
Alfalfa	7224	868	8.32	100	7224	868	8.32	69.22	4.02
Atoka	10972	991	12.04	68.4	7505	941	7.89	95.02	4.32
Beaver	6282	1790	3.51	100	6282	1790	3.51	12.32	2.38
Beckham	15754	907	17.37	36.1	5687	872	6.52	113.22	4.48
Blaine	11794	917	12.86	70.1	8268	882	9.38	120.60	4.54
Bryan	25552	889	28.74	56.5	14437	869	16.61	477.24	5.85
Caddo	28931	1272	22.74	77.3	22364	1223	18.28	415.68	5.71
Canadian	32245	897	35.95	18.9	6094	844	7.22	259.61	5.27
Carter	37349	830	45.00	44.1	16471	783	21.05	947.10	6.50
Cherokee	23174	756	30.65	60.1	13928	734	18.97	581.35	6.03
Choctaw	15141	778	20.03	56.0	8479	753	11.27	225.65	5.14
Cimarron	4145	1843	2.25	100	4145	1843	2.25	5.06	1.54
Cleveland	81839	527	155.29	16.6	13585	494	27.50	4270.33	7.92
Coal	5525	526	10.50	100	5525	526	10.50	110.25	4.46
Comanche	108144	1084	99.76	11.3	12220	1012	12.07	1204.31	6.72
Cotton	6832	650	10.51	59.9	4092	608	6.73	70.78	4.04
Craig	14722	764	19.27	60.3	8877	733	12.11	233.38	5.17
Creek	45532	935	48.70	48.2	21946	914	24.02	1169.69	6.70
Custer	22665	980	23.13	28.3	6414	944	6.79	157.11	4.79
Delaware	17767	707	25.13	100	17767	707	25.13	631.52	6.11
Dewey	5656	1018	5.56	100	5656	1018	5.56	30.91	3.25
Ellis	5129	1242	4.13	100	5129	1242	4.13	17.06	2.69
Garfield	55365	1054	52.53	19.4	10741	995	10.79	566.89	6.01
Garvin	24874	814	30.56	62.4	15521	781	19.88	607.43	6.07
Grady	29354	1096	26.78	51.8	15205	1059	14.36	384.54	5.64
Grant	7117	1007	7.08	100	7117	1007	7.08	50.13	3.71
Greer	7979	633	12.60	49.1	3918	622	6.30	79.42	4.15
Harmon	5136	545	9.42	36.5	1875	519	3.61	34.04	3.34
Harper	5151	1041	4.95	100	5151	1041	4.95	24.50	3.03
Haskell	9578	602	15.91	100	9578	602	15.91	253.13	5.24

TABLE 5-1   COLLECTED DATA AND CALCULATED RESULTS OF INHABITANCE INDEX INDICATOR (Continued)

County	Total Population	Total Land Area (mile^2)	Population Density (pop/mile^2)	Percent of Rural Population	Rural Population	Rural Land Area (mile^2)	Rural Density (pop/mile^2)	Inhabi- tance Index	Indicator Performance Level
Hughes	13228	807	16.39	61.4	8122	789	10.30	168.82	4.86
Jackson	30902	810	38.15	25.0	7726	752	10.28	392.24	5.66
Jefferson	7125	780	9.13	100	7125	780	9.13	83.36	4.19
Johnson	7870	638	12.34	67.6	5320	622	8.55	105.56	4.42
Kay	48791	950	51.36	22.4	10929	890	12.28	630.62	6.11
Kingfisher	12857	904	14.22	68.0	8742	868	10.07	143.23	4.70
Kiowa	12532	1027	12.20	62.6	7845	999	7.86	95.84	4.32
Latimer	8601	737	11.67	100	8601	737	11.67	136.19	4.66
LeFlore	32137	1560	20.60	68.4	21982	1533	14.34	295.31	5.39
Lincoln	19482	973	20.03	73.6	15449	940	15.25	305.46	5.42
Logan	19645	751	26.16	51.3	10078	717	14.06	367.78	5.60
Love	5637	513	10.99	100	5637	513	10.99	120.78	4.54
McClain	14157	573	24.71	70.6	9995	535	18.69	461.75	5.81
McCurtain	28642	1800	15.91	68.9	19734	1793	11.01	175.19	4.90
McIntosh	12472	608	20.51	75.8	9454	607	15.59	319.71	5.47
Major	7529	963	7.82	62.2	4683	924	5.07	39.64	3.49
Marshall	7682	366	20.84	63.8	4901	352	13.93	290.38	5.37
Mayes	23302	648	35.95	69.7	16241	637	25.49	916.40	6.46
Murray	10669	423	25.22	57.7	6156	412	14.94	376.67	5.62
Muskogee	59542	818	72.79	37.3	22209	749	29.65	2158.28	7.28
Noble	10043	743	13.52	43.9	4409	720	6.13	82.85	4.19
Nowata	9773	537	18.20	63.2	6177	545	11.33	206.24	5.05
Okfuskee	10683	637	16.77	73.0	7799	621	12.57	210.72	5.07
Oklahoma	526806	700	752.58	2.7	14224	525	27.08	20380.07	9.40
Okmulgee	35358	700	50.51	39.3	13896	670	20.74	1047.78	6.59
Osage	29750	2272	13.09	69.7	20736	2220	9.34	122.28	4.56
Ottawa	29800	464	64.22	44.7	13321	438	30.43	1954.15	7.18
Pawnee	11338	561	20.21	77.3	8764	557	15.73	317.83	5.46
Payne	50654	694	72.99	23.8	12056	658	18.32	1337.07	6.82
Pittsburg	37521	1241	30.23	49.9	18723	1251	14.97	452.61	5.80
Pontotoc	27867	714	39.03	46.7	13014	692	18.79	733.57	6.25

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County	Total Population	Total Land Area (mile^2)	Population Density (pop/mile^2)	Percent of Rural Population	Rural Population	Rural Land Area (mile^2)	Rural Density (pop/mile^2)	Inhabitance Index	Indicator Performance Level
Pottawatomie	43134	794	54.32	31.3	13501	762	17.73	963.08	6.51
Pushmataha	9385	1420	6.61	71.4	6701	1409	4.76	31.44	3.27
Roger Mills	4452	1140	3.91	100	4452	1140	3.91	15.29	2.58
Rogers	28425	685	41.50	68.1	19537	662	29.26	1214.37	6.73
Seminole	25144	630	39.91	47.5	11943	603	19.81	790.81	6.32
Sequoyah	23370	696	33.58	78.7	18392	648	28.39	953.31	6.50
Stephens	35902	891	40.29	35.1	12602	832	15.15	610.21	6.08
Texas	16352	2062	7.93	53.3	8715	2007	4.34	34.44	3.35
Tillman	12901	901	14.32	50.2	6476	836	7.74	110.90	4.46
Tulsa	401610	573	700.89	6.1	24498	449	54.55	38232.39	10.00
Wagoner	22163	563	39.37	67.4	14938	544	27.46	1081.27	6.62
Washington	42277	424	99.71	20.8	8794	397	22.15	2208.64	7.30
Washita	12141	1009	12.03	66.1	8025	974	8.24	99.11	4.36
Woods	11920	1298	9.18	37.7	4493	1237	3.63	33.33	3.32
Woodward	15537	1251	12.42	43.9	6820	1202	5.67	70.45	4.03
The Whole MARB Area	488230	4341	112.47	15.6	75944	4140	18.34	2063.15	7.23

5.2.2 Land Value

Data on average land value for each county in Oklahoma is not available, but the following information is available from various sources:

(i) assessed urban land value: Oklahoma Tax Commission, Ad Valorem, unpublished information, 1974

(ii) percentage of urban land: Soil Conservation Service, Oklahoma Conservation Needs Inventory, 1970

(iii) assessed rural land value: Oklahoma Tax Commission, Ad Valorem, unpublished information, 1974

(iv) percentage of rural land: Soil Conservation Service, Oklahoma Conservation Needs Inventory, 1970

Average land value of each county (L_i) is obtained by using the following formula:

$$L_i = \text{(i)} \times \text{(ii)} + \text{(iii)} \times \text{(iv)}$$

The maximum value of average land value (L_{max}) is 8883.45 dollars per acre of Oklahoma County. It is then used to determine the indicator performance level (P_i) by substitution into the following equation:

$$P_i = \frac{\log L_i}{\log L_{max}} \times 10$$

The collected data, computed average land value, and indicator performance level for each county are listed in Table 5-2.

TABLE 5-2   COLLECTED DATA AND CALCULATED RESULTS OF LAND VALUE INDICATOR

County	Assessed Urban Land Value ($/acre)	Percent of Urban Land	Assessed Rural Land Value ($/acre)	Percent of Rural Land	Average Assessed Land Value ($/acre)	Indicator Performance Level
Adair	389.45	2.29	6.72	97.71	15.48	4.00
Alfalfa	165.40	3.39	29.89	96.61	34.49	5.22
Atoka	228.40	1.65	7.33	98.35	10.98	3.53
Beaver	177.60	2.05	6.46	97.95	11.93	3.65
Beckham	259.45	2.82	10.99	97.18	18.00	4.26
Blaine	236.75	3.21	20.73	96.79	27.66	4.89
Bryan	456.30	2.41	11.79	97.59	22.51	4.59
Caddo	291.45	2.86	17.13	97.14	24.98	4.74
Canadian	972.80	4.60	25.73	95.40	69.30	6.25
Carter	736.35	5.55	9.52	94.45	49.86	5.76
Cherokee	805.50	2.87	8.77	97.13	31.64	5.09
Choctaw	327.35	2.51	6.93	97.49	14.98	3.99
Cimarron	402.15	1.37	7.73	98.63	13.13	3.80
Cleveland	2168.70	7.74	23.82	92.26	189.84	7.73
Coal	123.60	2.10	8.10	97.90	10.53	3.47
Comanche	676.10	6.09	10.77	93.93	51.28	5.80
Cotton	106.15	3.40	16.52	96.60	19.57	4.38
Craig	681.20	4.06	15.38	95.94	42.42	5.52
Creek	459.75	3.99	13.43	96.01	31.23	5.07
Custer	462.40	3.86	16.78	96.14	33.98	5.20
Delaware	221.10	2.27	11.18	97.73	15.95	4.08
Dewey	115.35	2.15	10.08	97.85	12.34	3.70
Ellis	341.90	2.31	9.23	97.69	16.92	4.17
Garfield	1339.25	5.56	25.12	94.44	98.18	6.76
Garvin	452.60	3.92	15.21	96.08	32.35	5.12
Grady	754.35	2.95	13.37	97.05	35.23	5.25
Grant	201.25	3.09	24.20	96.91	31.30	5.08
Greer	469.95	2.42	12.46	97.58	22.53	4.66
Harmon	251.80	2.47	11.45	97.53	17.39	4.21
Harper	129.60	2.13	7.84	97.87	10.43	3.46

TABLE 5-2   COLLECTED DATA AND CALCULATED RESULTS OF LAND VALUE INDICATOR (Continued)

County	Assessed Urban Land Value ($/acre)	Percent of Urban Land	Assessed Rural Land Value ($/acre)	Percent of Rural Land	Average Assessed Land Value ($/acre)	Indicator Performance Level
Haskell	174.40	2.17	5.83	97.86	9.44	3.31
Hughes	202.00	2.57	7.92	97.43	12.91	3.77
Jackson	729.15	3.66	15.44	96.34	41.12	5.48
Jefferson	136.00	2.00	12.94	98.00	16.40	4.12
Johnston	122.15	2.18	8.95	97.82	11.41	3.59
Kay	434.45	5.53	38.50	94.47	60.40	6.05
Kingfisher	706.10	2.91	24.68	97.09	44.51	5.60
Kiowa	196.90	3.19	18.69	96.81	24.37	4.71
Latimer	609.85	2.46	5.07	97.54	19.95	4.41
LeFlore	280.20	2.19	6.56	97.81	12.56	3.73
Lincoln	218.85	3.35	8.65	96.65	15.69	4.06
Logan	220.25	3.95	15.17	96.05	23.23	4.64
Love	599.05	2.34	8.42	97.66	22.24	4.57
McClain	315.00	4.26	14.65	95.74	27.45	4.88
McCurtain	1150.60	1.76	11.23	98.24	31.28	5.08
McIntosh	177.65	3.11	10.91	96.89	16.09	4.10
Major	337.05	2.23	14.75	97.77	21.94	4.55
Marshall	251.05	2.25	8.59	97.75	14.05	3.90
Mayes	499.85	3.43	12.45	96.57	29.16	4.97
Murray	251.00	2.85	7.82	97.15	14.75	3.97
Muskogee	647.40	6.14	14.52	93.86	53.38	5.86
Noble	192.10	3.23	21.89	96.77	27.38	4.88
Nowata	201.80	2.81	10.39	97.19	15.77	4.07
Okfuskee	205.55	2.56	8.41	97.44	13.45	3.83
Oklahoma	3343.05	25.50	41.57	74.50	883.45	10.00
Okmulgee	303.60	4.25	11.12	95.75	23.33	4.64
Osage	223.70	2.23	9.10	97.77	13.89	3.88
Ottawa	1250.25	5.40	19.11	94.96	81.16	6.48
Pawnee	332.95	3.60	17.93	96.40	29.27	4.98
Payne	607.45	4.87	12.97	95.13	41.92	5.51

TABLE 5-2   COLLECTED DATA AND CALCULATED RESULTS OF LAND VALUE INDICATOR (Continued)

County	Assessed Urban Land Value ($/acre)	Percent of Urban Land	Assessed Rural Land Value ($/acre)	Percent of Rural Land	Average Assessed Land Value ($/acre)	Indicator Performance Level
Pittsburg	400.90	3.62	6.35	96.38	20.63	4.46
Pontotoc	748.85	3.68	10.01	96.32	37.20	5.33
Pottawatomie	311.35	4.22	22.04	95.78	34.25	5.21
Pushmataha	362.30	0.97	6.18	99.03	9.63	3.34
Roger Mills	63.85	2.64	8.14	97.36	9.62	3.34
Rogers	668.50	5.98	13.95	94.02	53.10	5.86
Seminole	489.80	3.77	12.97	96.23	30.95	5.06
Sequoyah	347.40	3.17	8.07	96.83	18.82	4.33
Stephens	519.15	6.22	11.22	93.78	42.81	5.54
Texas	337.10	2.39	11.88	97.61	20.61	4.46
Tillman	185.55	2.88	21.81	97.12	26.53	4.83
Tulsa	3813.20	21.22	41.54	78.78	841.89	9.93
Wagnor	168.15	3.39	16.55	96.61	21.69	4.54
Washington	713.50	6.49	14.82	93.51	156.56	7.45
Washita	127.15	3.30	18.17	96.70	35.74	5.27
Woods	404.40	2.63	12.60	97.37	22.91	4.62
Woodward	1068.50	2.41	10.15	97.59	35.65	5.27
The Whole MARB Area					128.92	7.16

5.2.3 Intensity of Water Use

Data requirements and data sources for computing intensity of water use indicator for each county in Oklahoma are listed below:

(i)   annual municipal water use: Oklahoma Water Resources Board, Reported Water Use in Oklahoma, 1974

(ii) annual industrial water use: Oklahoma Water Resources Board, Reported Water Use in Oklahoma, 1974

(iii) total land area: Census of Agriculture, 1969.

Intensity of water use (W_i) is obtained by substituting collected data into the following formula:

$$W_i = \frac{(i) + (ii)}{(iii)}$$

Intensity of water use indicators of counties in Oklahoma range from 0.04 of Delaware County to 153.89 of Tulsa. The latter as W_{max} is then used to determine the indicator performance level (P_i) by substituting into the equation as follows:

$$P_i = \frac{\log W_i}{\log W_{max}} \times 10$$

There are 17 counties whose intensities of water use are less than 1. It can be noted that their Log values will be negative, and hence, negative indicator performance levels will result. This is inadmissible; therefore, a zero value indicator performance level is used as a substitute for a negative indicator performance level in these cases. All the collected data and computed results are shown in Table 5-3.

5.2.4 Transportation Facilities

Data requirements along with their sources to calculate transportation facilities indicator for each county in Oklahoma are listed

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TABLE 5-3   COLLECTED DATA AND CALCULATED RESULTS OF INTENSITY OF WATER USE INDICATOR

County	Municipal Water Use (acre feet)	Industrial Water Use (acre feet)	Total M&I (acre-feet)	Total Land Area (sq. miles)	Intensity of Water Use (acre feet/ square mile)	Indicator Performance Level
Adair	5588	2	5590	570	9.81	4.53
Alfalfa	1075	0	1075	868	1.24	0.43
Atoka	64	209	273	991	0.28	0
Beaver	685	213	1098	1790	0.50	0
Beckham	1760	225	1985	907	2.19	1.56
Blaine	1312	156	1468	917	1.60	0.93
Bryan	2606	124	2730	889	3.07	2.23
Caddo	5794	4122	9916	1272	7.80	4.08
Canadian	3614	821	4435	897	4.94	2.98
Carter	6277	20002	26279	830	31.66	6.86
Cherokee	3904	0	3904	756	5.16	3.26
Choctaw	1098	0	1098	778	1.41	0.68
Cimarron	721	52	773	1843	0.42	0
Cleveland	12203	0	12203	527	23.16	6.24
Coal	253	0	253	526	0.48	0
Comanche	21529	1346	22875	1084	21.10	6.05
Cotton	715	0	715	650	1.10	0.19
Craig	1406	0	1406	764	1.84	1.21
Creek	3222	41	3263	935	3.49	2.48
Custer	5528	86	5614	980	5.73	3.34
Delaware	27	0	27	707	0.04	0
Dewey	135	192	327	1018	0.32	0
Ellis	268	0	268	1242	0.22	0
Garfield	4532	82	4614	1054	4.38	2.93
Garvin	2731	18	2749	814	3.38	2.42
Grady	4876	33	4909	1096	4.48	2.98
Grant	690	0	690	1007	0.69	0
Greer	460	0	460	633	0.73	0
Harmon	1598	0	1598	545	2.93	2.13
Harper	1120	156	1276	1041	1.23	0.41
Haskell	1209	63	1272	602	2.11	1.48
Hughes	334	0	334	807	0.41	0
Jackson	5104	851	5955	810	7.35	3.96

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County	Municipal Water Use (acre feet)	Industrial Water Use (acre feet)	Total M&I (acre-feet)	Total Land Area (sq. miles)	Intensity of Water Use (acre feet/ square mile)	Indicator Performance Level
Jefferson	487	0	487	780	0.62	0
Johnston	638	10	648	638	1.02	0.04
Kay	10931	36136	47067	950	49.54.	7.75
Kingfisher	1930	599	2529	904	2.80	2.04
Kiowa	1638	13	1651	1027	1.61	0.95
Latimer	1929	0	1929	737	2.62	1.91
LeFlore	5127	0	5127	1560	3.29	2.36
Lincoln	2876	78	2954	973	3.04	2.21
Logan	266	212	478	751	0.64	0
Love	271	23	294	513	0.57	0
McClain	300	23	323	573	5.52	0
McCurtain	11073	29807	40880	1800	1.23	6.20
McIntosh	1215	0	1215	608	5.08	1.38
Major	5238	73	73	963	0.56	3.39
Marshall	274	177	177	366	22.71	0.41
Mayes	3245	0	0	648	2.00	3.23
Murray	1560	6813	8373	423	19.79	5.93
Muskogee	10662	103079	113741	818	139.06	9.80
Noble	1055	0	1055	743	1.42	0.70
Nowata	884	659	1543	537	2.08	1.45
Okfuskee	721	614	1335	637	2.09	1.46
Oklahoma	52784	22400	75184	700	107.41	9.29
Okmulgee	6506	0	6506	700	9.29	4.43
Osage	2255	3070	5325	2272	2.34	1.69
Ottawa	4468	288	4756	464	10.25	4.62
Pawnee	1457	0	1457	561	2.60	1.90
Payne	7814	4	7818	694	11.27	4.81
Pittsburg	3863	86	3949	1241	3.18	2.30
Pontotoc	10586	3051	13637	714	19.10	5.86
Pottawatomie	3496	0	3496	794	4.40	2.94
Pushmataha	778	0	778	1420	0.55	0
Roger Mills	300	0	300	1140	0.26	0
Rogers	4382	7549	11931	685	10.47	0

County	Municipal Water Use (acre feet)	Industrial Water Use (acre feet)	Total M&I (acre-feet)	Total Land Area (sq. miles)	Intensity of Water Use (acre feet/ square mile)	Indicator Performance Level
Seminole	6747	22941	29688	630	47.12	7.65
Sequoyah	1958	3039	4997	696	7.18	3.91
Stephens	6890	0	6890	891	7.73	4.06
Texas	2589	521	3110	2062	1.51	0.82
Tillman	1306	0	1306	901	1.45	0.74
Tulsa	81773	6406	88179	573	153.89	10.00
Wagoner	1555	0	1555	563	2.76	2.02
Washington	1583	0	1583	424	3.73	2.61
Washita	1269	3	1272	1009	1.26	0.46
Woods	1757	0	1757	1298	1.35	0.60
Woodward	2860	1997	4857	1251	3.88	2.69
The Whole MARB Area	88707	9517	98224	4341	22.63	6.19

below:

    (i)   total mileage of highways: Oklahoma State Department
of Highways, unpublished data, 1974

    (ii)   total mileage of streets: Oklahoma State Department
of Highways, unpublished data, 1974

   (iii) total land area: Census of Agriculture, 1969

The transportation facility indicator (T_i) can be obtained by the follow-
ing equation:

$$T_i = \frac{(i) + (ii)}{(iii)}$$

Indicators of counties in Oklahoma range from 0.67 of Pushmataha County
to 5.54 of Oklahoma County. The latter as T_{max} is then used to determine
the indicator performance level (P_i) with the following formula:

$$P_i = \frac{T_i}{T_{max}} \times 10$$

The data and computation results are shown on Table 5-4.

5.3 Determination of Development Levels

    The four development indicators, inhabitance index, land value,
intensity of water use, and transportation facilities, are assigned
weights of 5, 4, 3, and 3 accordingly. The weighted indicator performance
levels are obtained by multiplying the performance levels with their
weights. They are then summed to obtain the development level estimate.
This is expressed in equation as follows:

$$E_i = \sum_{j=1}^{4} P'_{ij}$$

$$= \sum_{j=1}^{4} P_{ij} \cdot W_i$$

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TABLE 5-4 COLLECTED DATA AND CALCULATED RESULTS OF TRANSPORTATION FACILITY INDICATOR

County	City Streets (miles)	Highways (miles)	Total	Total Land Area (sq. mi.)	Highways & Streets per Sq. Mile	Indicator Performance Level
Adair	17.88	841.27	859.15	570	1.51	2.7
Alfalfa	50.65	1481.04	1531.69	868	1.76	3.2
Atoka	32.09	948.54	980.63	991	0.99	1.8
Beaver	28.61	2324.87	2353.48	1790	1.31	2.4
Beckham	88.07	1413.27	1501.14	907	1.66	3.0
Blaine	72.00	1466.82	1538.82	917	1.68	3.0
Bryan	115.05	1182.77	1297.82	889	1.46	2.6
Caddo	85.59	2180.28	2265.87	1272	1.78	3.2
Canadian	98.11	1618.42	1716.53	897	1.91	3.4
Carter	189.70	1196.83	1386.53	830	1.67	3.0
Cherokee	77.41	1162.07	1239.48	756	1.64	3.0
Choctaw	66.06	957.64	1023.70	778	1.32	2.4
Cimarron	30.45	1836.61	1867.06	1843	1.01	1.8
Cleveland	156.86	936.76	1093.62	527	2.08	3.8
Coal	37.65	576.73	614.38	526	1.17	2.1
Comanche	294.20	1486.49	1780.69	1084	1.64	3.0
Cotton	43.42	1095.32	1138.74	650	1.75	5.2
Craig	45.08	1152.54	1197.62	764	1.57	2.8
Creek	158.73	1253.09	1411.82	935	1.51	2.7
Custer	101.09	1647.70	1748.79	980	1.78	3.2
Delaware	31.80	1304.89	1336.69	707	1.89	3.4
Dewey	35.38	1279.32	1314.70	1018	1.29	2.3
Ellis	37.46	1450.57	1488.03	1242	1.20	2.2
Garfield	284.01	2102.99	2387.00	1054	2.26	4.1
Garvin	106.16	1211.30	1317.46	814	1.62	2.9
Grady	124.99	1701.68	1826.67	1096	1.67	3.0
Grant	47.69	1932.30	1979.99	1007	1.97	3.6
Greer	47.41	943.09	990.50	633	1.49	2.7
Harmon	26.22	826.69	852.91	545	1.56	2.8
Harper	30.38	1203.68	1234.06	1041	1.19	2.1
Haskell	41.67	757.77	799.44	602	1.33	2.4
Hughes	71.40	1005.13	1076.53	807	1.33	2.4
Jackson	101.00	1345.34	1445.34	810	1.79	3.2

County	City Streets (miles)	Highways (miles)	Total	Total Land Area (sq. mi.)	Highways & Streets per Sq. Mile	Indicator Performance Level
Jefferson	56.37	835.55	691.92	780	1.14	2.1
Johnston	57.20	691.32	748.52	638	1.17	2.1
Kay	204.19	1671.46	1875.65	950	1.97	3.6
Kingfisher	47.13	1659.61	1706.74	904	1.89	3.4
Kiowa	187.04	1758.98	1946.02	1027	1.89	3.4
Latimer	32.93	574.58	607.51	737	0.82	1.5
Le Flore	290.02	1713.00	2003.02	1560	1.28	2.3
Lincoln	72.34	1672.25	1744.59	973	1.79	3.2
Logan	102.11	1290.61	1392.72	751	1.85	3.3
Love	22.07	570.86	592.93	513	1.16	2.1
McClain	98.84	844.11	941.95	573	1.64	3.0
McCurtain	85.61	1674.08	1759.69	1800	0.98	1.8
McIntosh	64.27	890.27	954.54	608	1.57	2.8
Major	30.15	1400.10	1430.25	963	1.49	2.7
Marshall	46.03	502.67	548.70	366	1.50	2.7
Mayes	80.69	1133.69	1214.38	648	1.87	3.4
Murray	65.15	413.13	478.28	423	1.13	2.0
Muskogee	213.17	1404.16	1617.33	818	1.98	3.6
Noble	50.54	1315.45	1365.99	743	1.84	3.3
Nowata	43.76	828.52	872.28	537	1.62	2.9
Okfuskee	51.23	883.91	935.14	637	1.47	2.7
Oklahoma	2328.43	1547.41	3875.84	700	5.54	10.0
Okmulgee	190.79	1084.80	1275.59	700	1.82	3.3
Osage	128.46	1926.69	2055.15	2272	0.90	1.6
Ottawa	138.46	875.80	1014.26	464	2.19	4.0
Pawnee	58.30	929.15	987.45	561	1.76	3.2
Payne	149.28	1293.64	1442.92	694	2.08	3.8
Pittsburg	206.30	1338.00	1544.30	1241	1.24	2.2
Pontotoc	83.80	964.91	1048.71	714	1.47	2.7
Pottawatomie	176.82	1280.83	1457.65	794	1.84	3.3
Pushmataha	27.80	925.40	953.20	1420	0.67	1.2
Roger Mills	25.05	1380.75	1405.80	1140	1.23	2.2
Rogers	107.20	1133.02	1240.22	685	1.81	3.3

TABLE 5-4 COLLECTED DATA AND CALCULATED RESULTS OF TRANSPORTATION FACILITY INDICATOR (Continued)

County	City Streets (miles)	Highways (miles)	Total	Total Land Area (sq. mi.)	Highways & Streets per Sq. Mile	Indicator Performance Level
Seminole	72.82	1054.51	1127.33	630	1.79	3.2
Sequoyah	28.20	978.86	1007.06	696	1.45	2.6
Stephens	156.08	1345.59	1501.67	891	1.69	3.1
Texas	97.86	2953.08	3050.94	2062	1.48	2.7
Tillman	74.67	1555.85	1630.52	901	1.81	3.3
Tulsa	1628.51	1302.40	2939.91	573	5.12	9.2
Wagoner	88.50	1020.30	1108.80	563	1.97	3.6
Washington	138.74	613.10	751.84	424	1.77	3.2
Washita	61.54	1808.64	1870.18	1009	1.85	3.3
Woods	54.11	1595.54	1649.65	1298	1.27	2.3
Woodward	68.08	1635.66	1703.74	1251	1.36	2.5
The Whole MARB Area	1974.00	5420.33	7394.33	4341	1.70	3.1

where

E_i = Development level estimate of county i

P'_{ij} = Weighted indicator performance level of indicator j in county i

P_{ij} = Indicator performance level of indicator j in county i

W_i = Weight assigned to indicator j

i = The number of counties in Oklahoma. In this study, i= 1, 2, 3, . . . 77.

Indicator performance levels, weighted indicated performance levels and development level estimate for each county in Oklahoma are listed on Table 5-5. The development level estimates range from 28.30 of Cimarron County to 147.32 of Tulsa County. The mean and standard deviation of the development level eatimates are found to be 62.08 and 20.82 respectively. 62.08 ± 20.82 then are used as the cutoff points to differentiate three levels of development. This is summarized as follows:

	Level I	Level II	Level III
Development Level Estimates	0 - 41.26	41.26-82.90	82.90-150.00

The development levels of counties in Oklahoma are also shown in Table 5-5. Among the seventy-seven counties, eight are level I areas fifty-nine level II, and ten level III. The development levels of the four counties in the field test area, along with that of the entire M.A.R.B. area are summarized in Table 5-6.

TABLE 5-5 DEVELOPMENT LEVELS OF COUNTIES IN OKLAHOMA
IPL - Indicator Performance Level
WPL - Weighted Performance Level

County	Inhabitance Index		Land Value		Intensity of Water Use		Transportation Facility		Development Level Estimate	Development Level
	IPL	WPL	IPL	WPL	IPL	WPL	IPL	WPL		
Adair	6.22	31.10	4.00	16.00	4.53	13.59	2.7	8.1	68.79	2
Alfalfa	4.02	20.10	5.22	20.88	0.43	1.29	3.2	9.6	51.87	2
Atoka	4.32	21.60	3.53	14.12	0	0	1.8	5.4	41.12	1
Beaver	2.38	11.90	3.65	14.60	0	0	2.4	7.2	33.70	1
Beckham	4.48	22.40	4.26	17.04	1.56	4.68	3.0	9.0	53.12	2
Blaine	4.54	22.70	4.89	19.56	0.93	2.79	3.0	9.0	54.05	2
Bryan	5.85	29.25	4.59	18.36	2.23	6.69	2.6	7.8	62.10	2
Caddo	5.71	28.55	4.74	18.96	4.08	12.24	3.2	9.6	69.35	2
Canadian	5.27	26.25	6.25	25.00	2.98	8.94	3.4	10.2	70.49	2
Carter	6.50	32.50	5.76	23.04	6.86	20.58	3.0	9.0	85.12	3
Cherokee	6.03	30.15	5.09	20.36	3.26	9.78	3.0	9.0	69.29	2
Choctaw	5.14	25.70	3.99	15.96	0.68	2.04	2.4	7.2	50.90	2
Cimarron	1.54	7.70	3.80	15.20	0	0	1.8	5.4	28.30	1
Cleveland	7.92	39.60	7.73	30.92	6.24	18.72	3.8	11.4	100.64	3
Coal	4.46	22.30	3.47	13.88	0	0	2.1	6.3	42.48	2
Comanche	6.72	33.60	5.80	23.20	6.05	18.15	3.0	9.0	83.95	3
Cotton	4.04	20.20	4.38	17.52	0.19	0.57	3.2	9.6	47.89	2
Craig	5.17	25.85	5.52	22.08	1.21	3.63	2.8	8.4	59.96	2
Creek	6.70	33.50	5.07	20.28	2.48	7.44	2.7	8.1	69.32	2
Custer	4.79	23.95	5.20	20.80	3.34	10.02	3.2	9.6	64.37	2
Delaware	6.11	30.55	4.08	16.32	0	0	3.4	10.2	57.07	2
Dewey	3.25	16.25	3.70	14.80	0	0	2.3	6.9	37.95	1
Ellis	2.69	13.45	4.17	16.68	0	0	2.2	6.6	36.73	1
Garfield	6.01	30.03	6.76	27.04	2.93	8.79	4.1	12.3	78.18	2
Garvin	6.07	30.35	5.12	20.48	2.42	7.26	2.9	8.7	66.79	2
Grady	5.64	28.20	5.25	21.00	2.98	8.94	3.0	9.0	67.14	2
Grant	3.71	18.55	5.08	20.32	0	0	3.6	10.8	49.67	2
Greer	4.15	20.75	4.66	18.64	0	0	2.7	8.1	47.49	2
Harmon	3.34	16.70	4.21	16.84	2.13	6.39	2.8	8.4	48.33	2
Harper	3.03	15.15	3.46	13.84	0.41	1.23	2.1	6.3	36.52	1
Haskell	5.24	26.20	3.31	13.24	1.48	4.44	2.4	7.2	51.08	2
Hughes	4.86	24.30	3.77	15.08	0	0	2.4	7.2	46.58	2
Jackson	5.66	28.30	5.48	21.92	3.96	11.88	3.2	9.6	71.70	2

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TABLE 5-5 DEVELOPMENT LEVELS OF COUNTIES IN OKLAHOMA (Continued)
IPL - Inidcator Performance Level
WPL - Weighted Performance Level

	Inhabitance Index		Land Value		Intensity of Water Use		Transportation Facility		Development Level Estimate	Development Level
	IPL	WPL	IPL	WPL	IPL	WPL	IPL	WPL		
Jefferson	4.19	20.95	4.12	16.48	0	0	2.1	6.3	43.73	2
Johnston	4.42	22.10	3.59	14.36	0.04	0.12	2.1	6.3	42.88	2
Kay	6.11	30.55	6.05	24.20	7.75	23.25	3.6	10.8	88.80	3
Kingfisher	4.70	23.50	5.60	22.40	2.04	6.12	3.4	10.2	62.22	2
Kiowa	4.32	21.60	4.71	18.84	0.95	2.85	3.4	10.2	53.49	2
Latimer	4.66	23.30	4.41	17.64	1.91	5.73	1.5	4.5	51.17	2
LeFlore	5.39	26.95	3.73	14.92	2.36	7.08	2.3	6.9	55.85	2
Lincoln	5.42	27.10	4.06	16.24	2.21	6.63	3.2	9.6	59.57	2
Logan	5.60	28.00	4.64	18.56	0	0	3.3	9.9	56.46	2
Love	4.54	22.70	4.57	18.28	0	0	2.1	6.3	47.28	2
McClain	5.81	29.05	4.88	19.52	0	0	3.0	9.0	57.57	2
McCurtain	4.90	24.50	5.08	20.32	6.20	18.60	1.8	5.4	68.86	2
McIntosh	5.47	27.35	4.10	16.40	1.38	4.14	2.8	8.4	56.29	2
Major	3.49	17.45	4.55	18.20	3.39	10.17	2.7	8.1	53.92	2
Marshall	5.37	26.85	3.90	15.60	0.41	1.23	2.7	8.1	51.78	2
Mayes	6.46	32.30	4.97	19.88	3.23	9.69	3.4	10.2	72.07	2
Murray	5.62	28.10	3.97	15.88	5.93	17.79	2.0	6.0	67.77	2
Muskogee	7.28	36.40	5.86	23.44	9.80	29.40	3.6	10.8	100.04	3
Noble	4.19	20.95	4.88	19.52	0.70	2.10	3.3	9.9	52.47	2
Nowata	5.05	25.25	4.07	16.28	1.45	4.35	2.9	8.7	54.58	2
Okfuskee	5.07	25.35	3.83	15.32	1.46	4.38	2.7	8.1	53.15	2
Oklahoma	9.40	47.00	10.00	40.00	9.29	27.87	10.0	30.0	144.87	3
Okmulgee	6.59	32.95	4.64	18.56	4.43	13.29	3.3	9.9	74.70	2
Osage	4.56	22.80	3.88	15.52	1.69	5.07	1.6	4.8	48.19	2
Ottawa	7.18	35.90	6.48	25.92	4.62	13.86	4.0	12.0	87.68	3
Pawnee	5.46	27.30	4.98	19.92	1.90	5.70	3.2	9.6	62.52	2
Payne	6.82	34.10	5.51	22.04	4.81	14.43	3.8	11.4	81.97	2
Pittsburg	5.80	29.00	4.46	17.84	2.30	6.90	2.2	6.6	60.34	2
Pontotoc	6.25	31.25	5.33	21.32	5.86	17.58	2.7	8.1	78.25	2
Pottawatoma	6.51	32.55	5.21	20.84	2.94	8.82	3.3	9.9	72.11	2
Pushmataha	3.27	16.35	3.34	13.36	0	0	1.2	3.6	33.31	1
Roger Mills	2.58	12.90	3.34	13.36	0	0	2.2	6.6	32.86	1
Rogers	6.73	33.65	5.86	23.44	0	0	3.3	9.9	66.99	2

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TABLE 5-5 DEVELOPMENT LEVELS OF COUNTIES IN OKLAHOMA (Continued)
IPL - Indicator Performance Level
WPL - Weighted Performance Level

County	Inhabitance Index		Land Value		Intensity of Water Use		Transportation Facility		Development Level Estimate	Development Level
	IPL	WPL	IPL	WPL	IPL	WPL	IPL	WPL		
Seminole	6.32	31.60	5.06	20.24	7.65	22.95	3.2	9.6	84.39	3
Sequoyah	6.50	32.50	4.33	17.32	3.91	11.73	2.6	7.8	69.35	2
Stephens	6.08	30.40	5.54	22.16	4.06	12.18	3.1	9.3	74.04	2
Texas	3.35	16.75	4.46	17.84	0.82	2.46	2.7	8.1	45.15	2
Tillman	4.46	22.30	4.83	19.32	0.74	2.22	3.3	9.9	53.74	2
Tulsa	10.00	50.00	9.93	39.72	10.00	30.00	9.2	27.6	147.32	3
Wagoner	6.62	33.10	4.54	18.16	2.02	6.06	3.6	10.8	68.12	2
Washington	7.30	36.50	7.45	29.80	2.61	7.83	3.2	9.6	83.73	3
Washita	4.36	21.80	5.27	21.08	0.46	1.38	3.3	9.9	54.16	2
Woods	3.32	16.60	4.62	18.48	0.60	1.80	2.3	6.9	43.78	2
Woodward	4.03	20.15	5.27	21.08	2.69	8.07	2.5	7.5	56.80	2
The Whole MARB Area	7.23	36.15	7.16	28.64	6.19	18.57	3.1	9.3	92.66	3

TABLE 5-6   SUMMARY OF DEVELOPMENT LEVELS OF THE MID-ARKANSAS RIVER BASIN

Counties included in M.A.R.B. Region	Development Level
Pawnee County	II
Creek County	II
Tulsa County	III
Osage County	II
Entire M.A.R.B. Area	III

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5.4 Field Test: Ecological Parameters

5.4.1 Flora

A. Terrestrial natural vegetation

The acreage of woodland, including woodland pasture, pasture-
land and rangeland not improved of four Oklahoma counties collected from
1969 U.S. Census of Agriculture are shown in Table 5-7.

By using the formula 4-1, which is presented in Chapter IV,
the results of the terrestrial natural vegetation parameter estimate are
shown in Table 5-8. These results are then plotted on Figure 5-3. The
ecological performances of the four counties tested are then derived by
interpolation. These figures are shown in Table 5-9. Among the three
counties of level II, Pawnee has displayed the best ecological perfor-
mance (E.P.). Tulsa county has an E.P. value of -0.09, very close to that
of Creek county (-0.08) in spite of the great difference of parameter
estimates between them (-12.3% compared to -18.0%). This is because of
their different development levels (see section 5.2). By this method
all of the four counties in M.A.R.B. region failed to meet the standards
in this respect (see Section 4.2.1.A).

B. Productivity of aquatic flora

The data required to calculate the aquatic flora productivity
are the six characteristics listed in Table 4-2. In M.A.R.B. water
quality data are primarily recorded for water quality control to see if
the water meets potable or municipal water quality criteria. This parti-
cular set of data cannot be used in the evaluation of this parameter.
The data required here can very likely be obtained from unpoblished or
published academic researches from local universities. The job of
validation shall be accomplished by other researchers who have access to
the necessary set of data.

C. Terrestrial flora species diversity

The accumulated number of terrestrial vegetation species and
individuals at each stand of the mid-Arkansas River Basin, and the per-
centage of each habitat type in the same region are needed for evaluating

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TABLE 5-7   DATA COLLECTED ON TERRESTRIAL NATURAL VEGETATION

ITEM TO BE DETERMINED	DATA				
	On County Basis	Pawnee	Creek	Tulsa	Osage
Percentage change of natural vegetation in 5 Years (V_5)	i) Total woodland including woodland pasture of 1969 (acres)	33,765	114,005	16,068	145,356
	ii) Pastureland and rangeland not improved of 1969 (acres)	154,760	109,094	34,322	766,133
	iii) Total woodland including woodland pasture of 1964 (acres)	43,200	153,714	12,667	159,335
	iv) Pastureland and rangeland not improved of 1964 (acres)	151,367	100,581	48,784	834,894

TABLE 5-8   CALCULATION OF TERRESTRIAL NATURAL VEGETATION

ITEM TO BE DETERMINED	FORMULA	RESULT			
		Pawnee (II)	Creek (II)	Tulsa (III)	Osage (II)
Percentage change of natural vegetation in 5 years (V_5)	$V_5 = \dfrac{Ao - At}{At} \times 100\%$ $= \dfrac{(i)+(ii) - (iii)+(iv)}{(iii)+(iv)} \times 100\%$	-3.1%	-12.3%	-18.0%	-8.3%

Percentage Change of Natural Vegetation in Δt Years $(V_{\Delta t})$
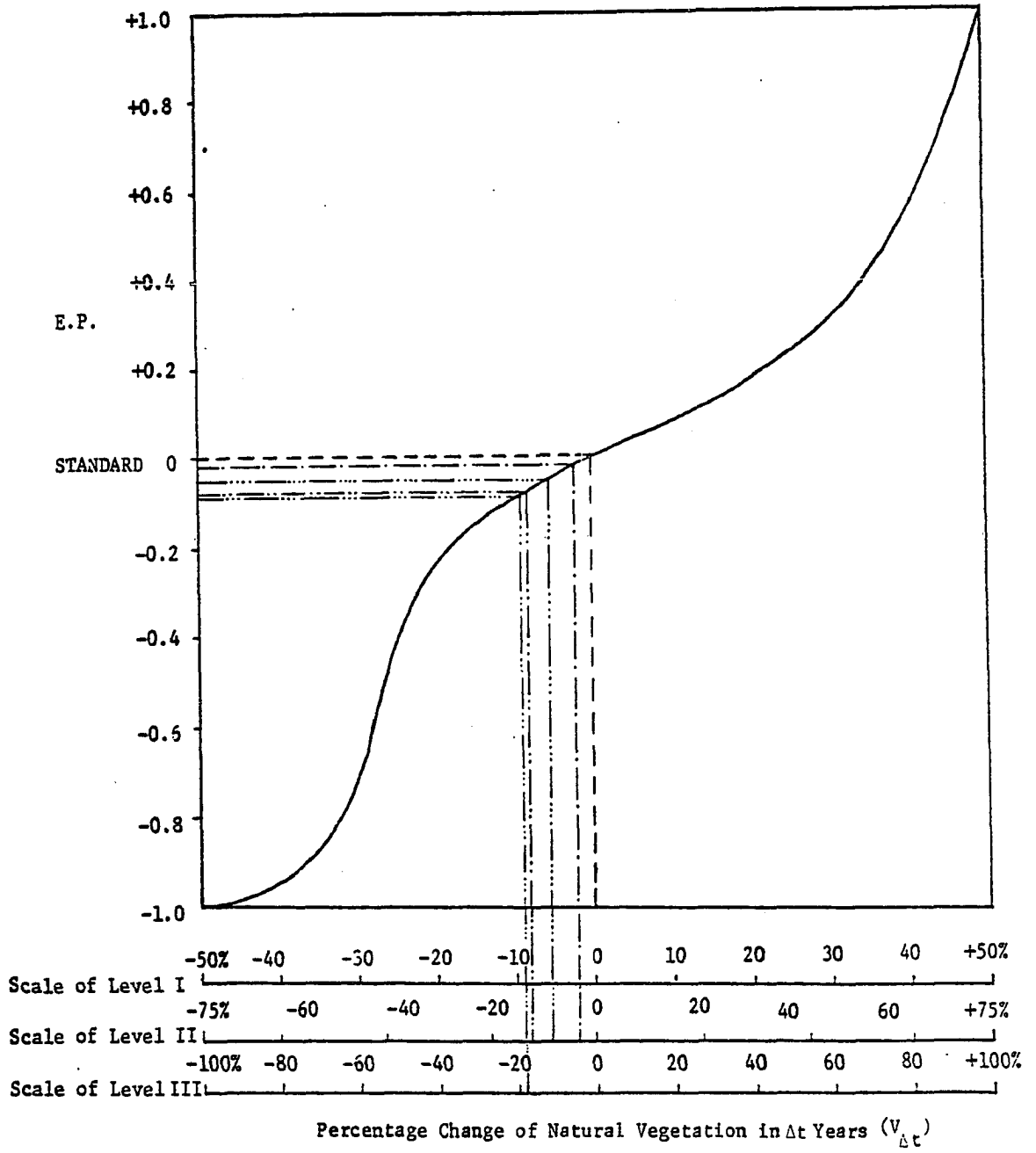
FIGURE 5-3   PARAMETER FUNCTION GRAPH OF TERRESTRIAL NATURAL VEGETATION

TABLE 5-9 ECOLOGICAL PERFORMANCE OF TERRESTRIAL NATURAL VEGETATION

ITEM COUNTY LEVEL	Pawnee	Creek	Tulsa	Osage
	II	II	III	II
Ecological Performance	-0.02	-0.08	-0.09	-0.05

the species diversity of terrestrial flora. Data collected from the
field test, the results of previous research, and the Soil Survey
Report of Oklahoma State Department of Agriculture are shown in Table
5-10. The results calculated by formula 4-4 are presented in Table
5-11. By interpolating these points on Figure 5-4, Pawnee has shown
the highest E.P. value (D = 19.1) in the three counties of Level II.
But it still falls in the undesired condition (the standard of Level II
is at D = 23). Tulsa county, according to its level-III scale, has a
positive E.P. value, which is above the standard (at D = 15.5). All the
E.P. values are shown in Table 5-12.

D. Vegetation land use

The acreage of each vagetation land use type and the total land
area of the four counties tested in 1958 and 1967 are collected from
U.S.D.A.-Oklahoma Conservation Needs Inventory Report, 1970 (Table 5-13).
The details of the calculations with two formulas used (4-5 and 4-6) are
shown in Table 5-14. The results of S_9 calculated shows that only Creek
and Osage meet the standard of non-negative percentage change. Parame-
ter function graph and E.P. values of these four counties are presented
in Figure 5-5 and Table 5-15, respectively.

5.4.2 Fauna

A. Dynamic ratio of fish population

Fish standing crop data of Keystone Lake in 1971-1973 (shown in
Table 5-16) was obtained from unpublished file data supplied by the
Oklahoma Fishery Research Laboratory of the Wildlife Conservation Depart-
ment. These standing crops, or fish stocks, are the expanded estimates
based on one acre cove rotenone samples taken in 1971-1973. Each number
represents the average value for three coves. The units have been
converted back from kilogram per hactare to pounds per acre to be consis-
tant with other measurements.

The calculations of F/C ratio of fish population by using
formula 4-7 are shown in Table 5-17. None of the three years' data
falls in the intervals of standards, which were determined in Section

TABLE 5-10   DATA COLLECTED ON TERRESTRIAL FLORA SPECIES DIVERSITY

ITEM TO BE DETERMINED	DATA					
	On County Basis	Pawnee	Creek	Tulsa	Osage	
1) Species Diversity of Each Habitat Type (#Species 1,000 individuals)	Upland Forest X_1=7.2 Bottomland Forest X_2=25.0 Prairie X_3=21.0	"	"	"	"	
2) Weighted Species Diversity in each Study Community(D)	Percentage of each flora habitat type in the whole community Upland Forest (T_1) Bottomland Forest (T_2) Prairie (T_2)	17.3% 13.2% 69.5%	53.6% 19.6% 26.8%	16.0% 22.0% 62.0%	34.0% 14.0% 52.0%	

TABLE 5-11   CALCULATION OF TERRESTRIAL FLORA SPECIES DIVERSITY

ITEM TO BE DETERMINED	FORMULA	RESULT			
		Pawnee (II)	Creek (II)	Tulsa (III)	Osage (II)
Weighted Species Diversity in Each Study Community (D) (#Species⟋1,000 individuals)	$D=\sum_{i=1}^{n}(X_i \cdot T_i)$	19.1	14.4	19.7	16.9

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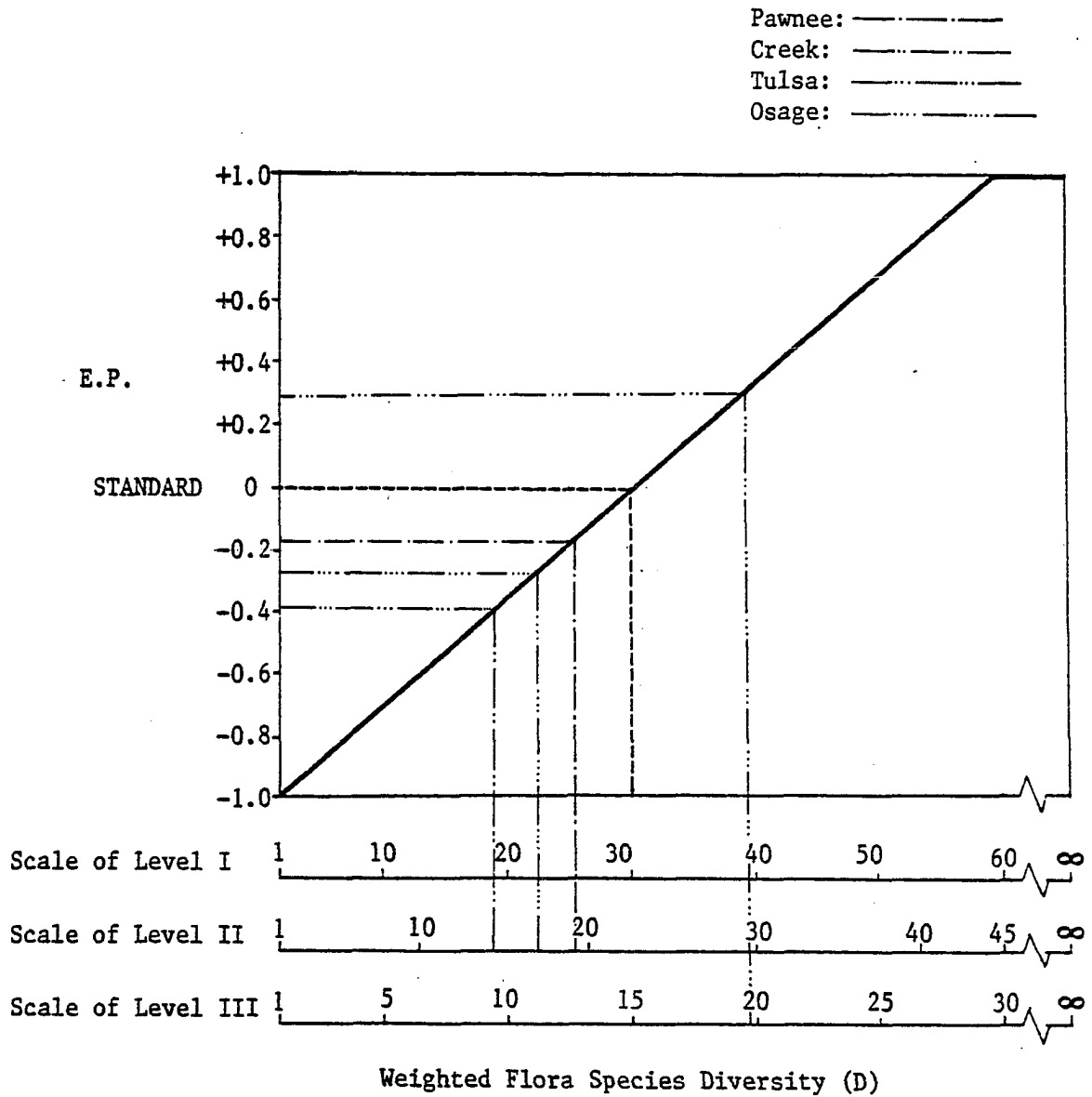
FIGURE 5-4 PARAMETER FUNCTION GRAPH OF TERRESTRIAL FLORA SPECIES DIVERSITY

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Table 5-12 Ecological Performance of Terrestrial Flora Species Diversity

ITEM \ COUNTY LEVEL	Pawnee II	Creek II	Tulsa III	Osage II
Ecological Performance	-0.18	-0.39	+0.29	-0.28

TABLE 5-13   DATA COLLECTED ON VEGETATION LAND USE (AESTHETIC)

ITEM TO BE DETERMINED	On County Basis	Pawnee		Creek		Tulsa		Osage	
		1958	1967	1958	1967	1958	1967	1958	1967
Percentage of various types of vegetation land use in 1958 & 1967 (P_{it}) (Pit)	i) Acreage of each type of vegetation land use in 1958 & 1967 (V_{it})								
	Type 1 (Forest-land)	69,409	72,897	261,988	221,988	39,759	45,922	407,744	445,497
	Type 2 (Crop-land)	94,830	74,856	92,969	74,325	121,634	80,693	166,536	123,807
	Type 3 (Range-land)	162,193	167,453	86,611	176,218	64,093	42,203	762,090	703,020
	Type 4 (Pasture-	11,172	251,391	28,886	90,787	66,797	106,057	20,000	81,525
	Type 5 (Others, little to no vegetation	7,487	6,076	97,818	5,489	7,229	8,091	10,322	14,683
	ii) Acreage of total land in 1958 & 1967 (T_t)	345,091	346,673	568,272	568,807	299,512	282,966	1,366,692	1,368,532

TABLE 5-14 CALCULATION OF VEGETATION LAND USE (AESTHETIC)

ITEM TO BE DETERMINED	FORMULA	Pawnee (II)		Creek (II)		Tulsa (III)		Osage (II)	
		'58	'67	'58	67	'58	'67	'58	'67
1) Percentage of various types of vegetation land use in 1958 & 1967 (P_{it}) : $P_{it} = \dfrac{V_{it}}{T_t} \times 100\% = \dfrac{(i)}{(ii)} \times 100\%$									
Type 1 (%)		20.1	21.0	46.1	39.0	13.3	16.2	29.8	32.5
Type 2 (%)		27.5	21.6	16.4	13.0	40.6	28.5	12.2	9.0
Type 3 (%)		47.0	48.3	15.2	31.0	21.4	14.9	55.7	51.4
Type 4 (%)		3.2	7.3	5.1	16.0	22.3	37.5	1.5	6.0
Type 5 (%)		2.2	1.8	17.2	1.0	2.4	2.9	0.8	1.1
2) Weighted sum of Percentage change of the various vegetation land uses (S_9) : a)$\Delta P_{i9} = P_{i-67} - P_{i-58}$									
Type 1 (%)		+0.9		-7.1		+12.9		+2.7	
Type 2 (%)		-5.9		-3.4		-12.1		-3.2	
Type 3 (%)		+1.3		+15.8		- 6.5		-4.3	
Type 4 (%)		+4.1		+10.9		+15.2		+4.5	
Type 5 (%)		-0.4		-16.2		+ 0.5		+0.3	

TABLE 5-14   CALCULATION OF VEGETATION LAND USE (AESTHETIC) continued

	b) $\Delta P_{i9} \cdot W_i$				
Type 1 (%)	= (a) x 10	+9.0	−71.0	+29.0	+27.0
Type 2 (%)	= (a) x 6	−35.4	−20.4	−72.6	−19.2
Type 3 (%)	= (a) x 5	+6.5	+79.0	−32.5	−21.5
Type 4 (%)	= (a) x 4	+16.4	+43.6	+60.8	+18.0
Type 5 (%)	= (a) x 1	−0.4	−16.2	+0.5	+0.3
	c) $S_9 = \sum\limits_{i=1}^{5} P_{i9} \cdot W_i$	−3.9%	+15.0%	−15.6%	+4.6%
	$= \sum\limits_{1}^{5} (b)$				

Parameter Function Graph

Pawnee: — · — · —
Creek: — ·· — ·· —
Tulsa: — ··· — ··· —
Osage: — ···· — ···· —

Weighted Sum of Percentage Change of Vegetation Land Use over a
Certain Period of Time $(S_{\Delta t})$
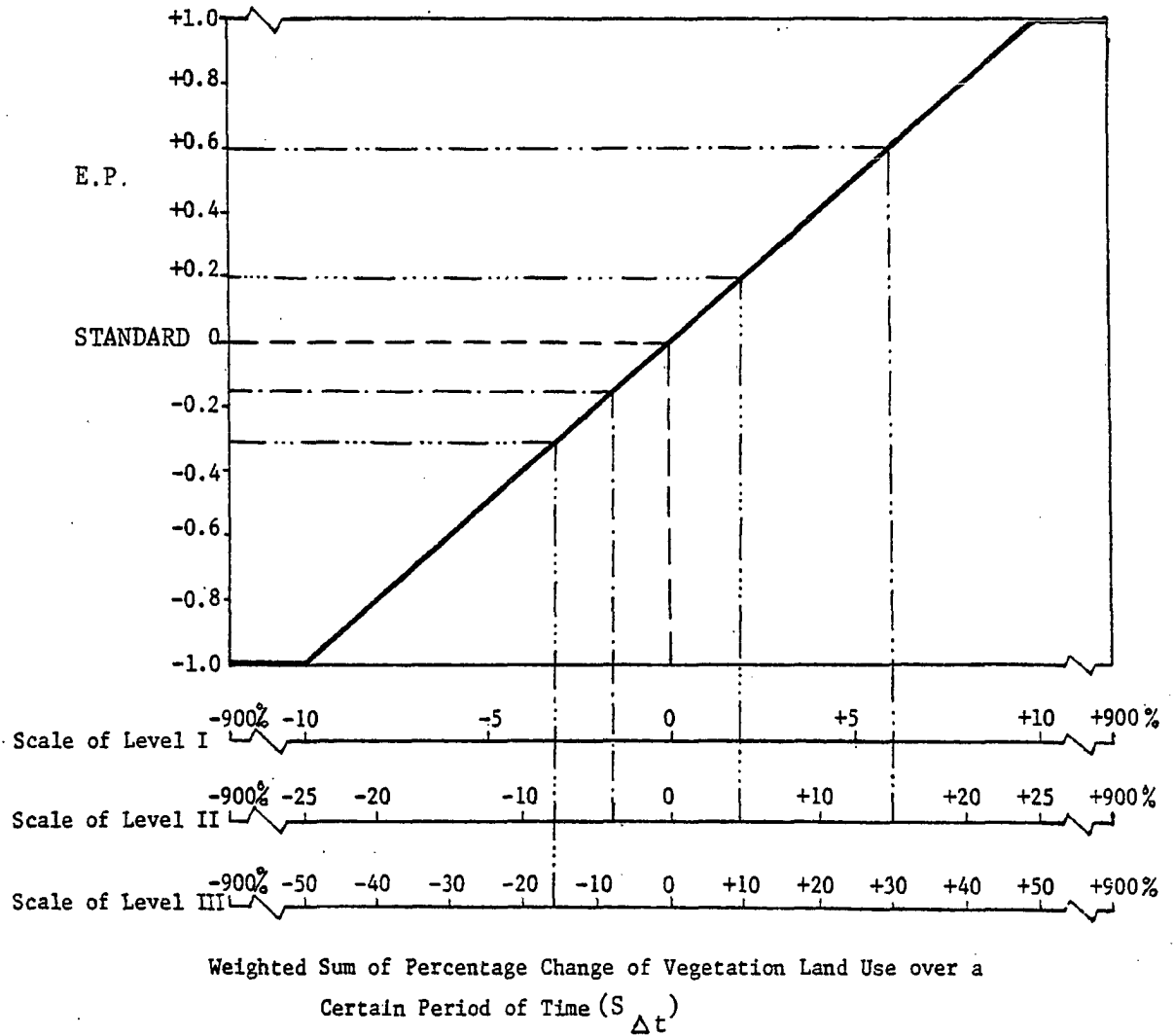
FIGURE 5-5   PARAMETER FUNCTION GRAPH OF VEGETATION LAND USE (AESTHETIC)

TABLE 5-15 ECOLOGICAL PERFORMANCE OF VEGETATION LAND USE (AESTHETIC)

ITEM \ COUNTY / LEVEL	Pawnee II	Creek II	Tulsa III	Osage II
Ecological Performance	-0.16	+0.60	-0.31	+0.18

TABLE 5-16 DATA COLLECTED ON DYNAMIC RATIO OF FISH POPULATION

ITEM TO BE DETERMINED	WEIGHT (lb/acre) YEAR / SPECIES	DATA		
		1971	1972	1973
Dynamic Ratio of Fish Population (F/C)	1)Principal Forage Fish Species:			
	Crappie (<4 oz or <8 inches)	2.31#	2.54	6.67#
	Channel catfish (<2lb.or <18 inch)	12.91	10.13	10.0
	Blue catfish (<3 lb or <20 inches)	0	0	0
	Blue gill	22.10	25.21	23.32
	Long-ear sunfish	7.52	10.61	4.41
	Orange spotted sunfish	2.02	4.24	2.61
	Red-ear sunfish	0	0.02	0
	Green sunfish	5.45	10.93	0.19
	Warmouth	1.53	1.67	6.92
	Carp	54.70	53.22	51.92

TABLE 5-16 DATA COLLECTED ON DYNAMIC RATIO OF FISH POPULATION (Continued)

ITEM TO BE DETERMINED	WEIGHT (lb/acre) YEAR SPECIES	DATA 1971	1972	1973
	Buffalo	98.82	97.89	32.85
	Bullhead	Trace	0.04	0.11
	Yellow bullhead	T	0	0.11
	Speckled bullhead	0	0	0
	Flathead catfish (<8 lb. or <26 in.)	8.83[3]	0.26	7.58[3]
	Gizzard shad	1175.09	259.31	611.73
	Gambusia	0	0	0.05
	Goldfish	0.05	0.04	T
	Strump knocker	0	0	0
	Golden shiner	0	0	0
	Chub sucker	0	0	0
	Spotted sucker	0	0	0
	Eel	0	0	0
	Others[1]	88.31	77.31	42.49
	ii) Principal Carnivorous Fish Species:			
	Large-mouth black bass	11.28	2.71	6.54
	Spotted bass	0	0.12	T
	Crappie (4oz. or ≥8 in.)	1.72[3]	1.89	5.04[3]
	Channel catfish (≥2lb. or ≥18 in)	8.55	6.71	6.62
	Blue catfish (≥3lb. or ≥20 in.)	0	0	0
	Flathead catfish (≥8 lb. or ≥26 in)	5.88[3]	0	5.06[3]
	Gar	0.33	T	0.76
	Pickerel	0	0	0
	Others[2]	9.04	13.43	2.18

[1] Primarily freshwater drum, river carpsucker, Mississippi silversides, hybrid sunfish, etc.

[2] Primarily striped bass, white bass, etc.

[3] These data are estimated by using the ratio between "F" and "C" species of 1972 data, since the raw data of fish size distributions in 1971 and 1973 are not available.

TABLE 5-17 CALCULATION OF DYNAMIC RATIO OF FISH POPULATION

ITEM TO BE DETERMINED	FORMULA	DATA		
		1971	1972	1973
Dynamic ratio of fish population (F/C)	a) $\sum\limits_{f=1}^{24} W_f$ = Total weight of forage fish species $= \sum\limits_{1}^{24}(i)$	1479.66	553.43	800.96
	b) $\sum\limits_{c=1}^{9} W_c$ = Total weight of carnivorous fish species $= \sum\limits_{1}^{9}(ii)$	30.80	24.86	26.20
	c) $F/C = \dfrac{\sum\limits_{f=1}^{24} W_f}{\sum\limits_{c=1}^{9} W_c} = \dfrac{(a)}{(b)}$	40.21	22.26	30.57

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4.2.2.A. This is possibly because of the inadequate sampling method, i.e., based on one acre cove rotenone samples. A more satisfactory result might be obtained by measuring the fish stocks in the whole open water area directly above the sampling cove. This task of evaluating this parameter is suggested to be accomplished by other researchers who have access to other available information. The same curve as the one shown in Figure 4-5 is presented on Figure 5-6. Table 5-18 shows the E.P. values of Keystone Lake in three years. All of them are lower than the desired situation.

B. Waterfowl habitat

Sizes of the four Oklahoma counties in Mid-Arkansas River Basin are given in the Soil Survey Reports of Soil Conservation Service. Data on total land area and small water area are collected from the Oklahoma Conservation Needs Inventory Report, 1970. Table 5-19 lists all the data collected. The detailed calculations are shown in Table 5-20. The calculation of W_9 is from formula 4-8 of section 4.2.2.B. The results of the four counties vary greatly from +47.7% to -16.1%. By plotting on the graph in Figure 5-7, Creek county shows a great ecological performance (+0.64) in the M.A.R.B. region, while Tulsa does not meet the standard of non-negative percentage change. All the E.P. values are listed in Table 5-21.

C. Terrestrial fauna species diversity

The data needed to fit the regression lines of species diversity in each habitat type are sets of accumulated numbers of fauna individuals (Y) and species (X). Information of this nature for M.A.R.B. were either fragmented or inaccessible, and there seemed to be an absence of regression analysis in previous research on M.A.R.B. It is thus impossible to proceed beyond the first step of the field test. It is also not possible to determine the number of habitat type which had to be determined by the regression analysis. However, the possible habitats of all the wildlife are listed in Appendix D. The job of validation can only be accomplished by future researchers who have the access to the necessary sets of data.

D. Fauna species composition (aesthetic)

The most current data of fauna species number in each class and their occurrence in M.A.R.B. are collected by the Corps of Engineers of

Parameter Function Graph
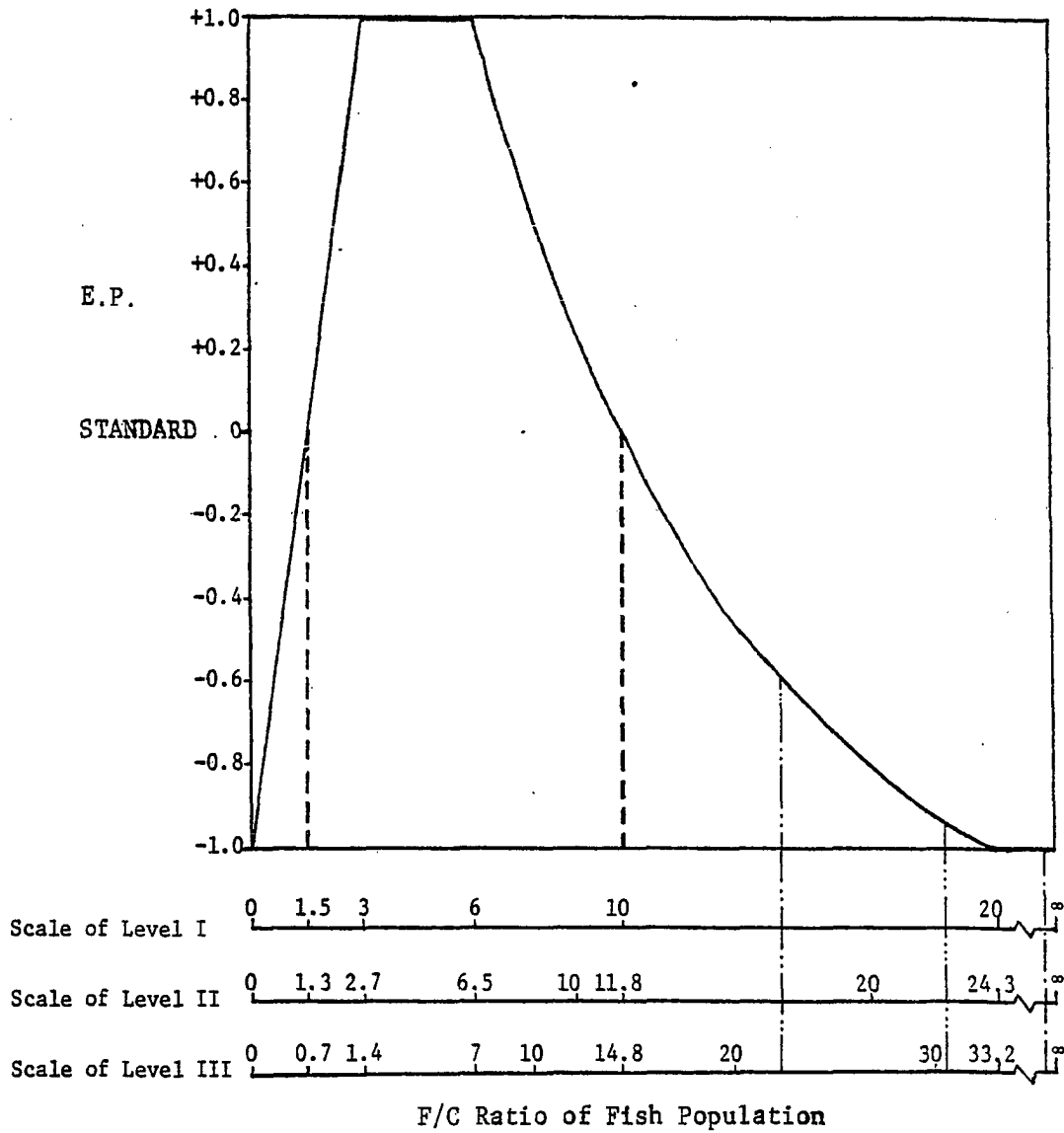
FIGURE 5-6   PARAMETER FUNCTION GRAPH OF DYNAMIC RATIO OF FISH POPULATION

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TABLE 5-18 ECOLOGICAL PERFORMANCE OF DYNAMIC RATIO OF FISH POPULATION

ITEM \ YEAR / LEVEL	1971	1972	1973
	III	III	III
Ecological Performance	-1.00	-0.60	-0.94

TABLE 5-19   DATA COLLECTED ON WATERFOWL HABITAT

ITEM TO BE DETERMINED	DATA				
	On County Basis	Pawnee	Creek	Tulsa	Osage
Percentage Change of Waterfowl Habitat in 9 Years (W_9)	i) County Size(acres)	378,240	622,080	374,400	1,467,520
	ii) Total Land Area of 1967 (acres)	369,970	609,110	364,840	1,453,090
	iii) Total Land Area of 1958 (acres)	370,010	613,140	362,479	1,452,755
	iv) Small Water Area of 1967 (acres)	4,945	1,600	2,425	32,596
	v) Small Water Area of 1958 (acres)	745	925	2,368	32,056

TABLE 5-20   CALCULATION OF WATERFOWL HABITAT

ITEM TO BE DETERMINED	FORMULA	RESULT			
		Pawnee (II)	Creek (II)	Tulsa (III)	Osage (II)
Percentage Change of Waterfowl Habitat in 9 Years (W_9)	a) Large Water Area of 1967 (acres) = (i)-(ii)	8,270	12,970	9,560	14,430
	b) Large Water Area of 1958 (acres) = (i)-(iii)	8,230	8,940	11,921	14,765

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TABLE 5-20 CALCULATION OF WATERFOWL HABITAT (Continued)

ITEM TO BE DETERMINED	FORMULA	RESULT			
		Pawnee (II)	Creek (II)	Tulsa (III)	Osage (II)
	c) A=Total Wet Land Area of 1967 (acres) = (a)+(iv)	13,215	14,570	11,985	47,026
	d) A_t=Total Wet Land Area of 1958 (acres)	8,975	9,865	14,289	46,821
	e) Improvement of Wet Land in 9 years = (c)-(d)	+4,240	+4,705	-2,304	+205
	f) W_9 = % Change of Wet Land in 9 Years = (e)/(d) $= \dfrac{Ao - At}{At} \times 100\%$ $= \dfrac{(iii)-(v)-(ii)+(iv)}{(i)-(iii)+(v)} \times 100\%$	+47.2%	+47.7%	-16.1%	+0.4%

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Parameter Function Graph:
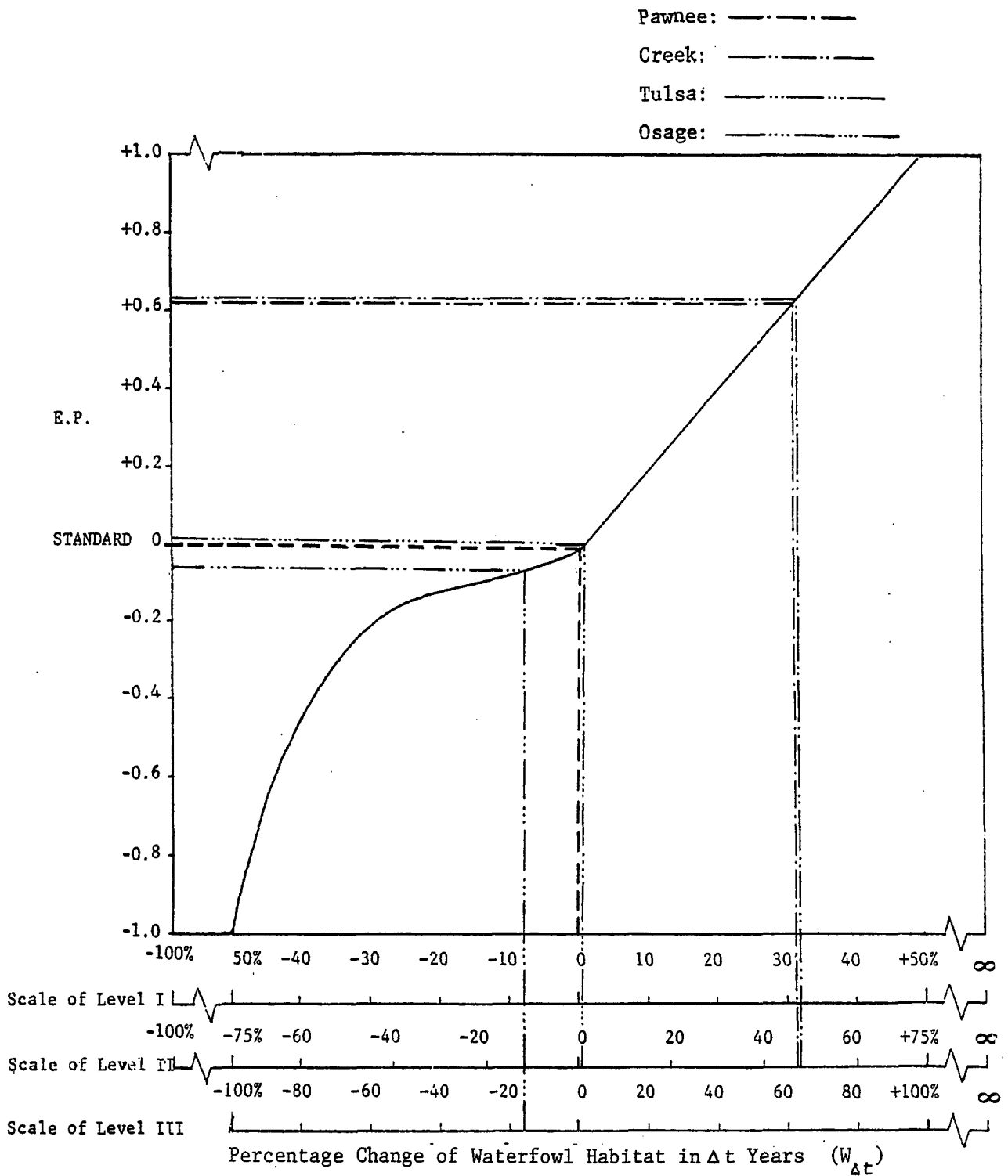
FIGURE 5-7   PARAMETER FUNCTION GRAPH OF WATERFOWL HABITAT

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TABLE 5-21 ECOLOGICAL PERFORMANCE OF WATERFOWL HABITAT

County Level Item	Pawnee	Creek	Tulsa	Osage
	II	II	III	II
Ecological Performance	+0.63	+0.64	-0.05	+0.01

TABLE 5-22 DATA COLLECTED (ON RIVER-BASIN BASIS) ON FAUNA SPECIES COMPOSITION (AESTHETIC)

Occurrence (M_j) (S_{tjk}) No. of Species Year (t) Fauna Class	Total (M_1=10)		Common (M_2=3)		Occasional (M_3=2)		Rare (M_4=1)	
	Current	Dated	Current	Dated	Current	Dated	Current	Dated
Mammals (A_k=5)	56	S_{t11}	26	S_{t21}	25	S_{t31}	5	S_{t41}
Birds (A_k=4)	288	S_{t12}	130	S_{t22}	106	S_{t32}	52	S_{t42}
Fishes (A_k=3)	77	S_{t13}	26	S_{t23}	26	S_{t33}	25	S_{t43}
Reptiles (A_k=2)	45	S_{t14}	11	S_{t24}	29	S_{t34}	5	S_{t44}
Amphibians (A_k=1)	19	S_{t15}	6	S_{t25}	11	S_{t35}	2	S_{t45}

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the Tulsa District (see Appendix D). But earlier data, 10 or 20 years
into the past, were not available. This crippled the field test on this
parameter because necessary processes like calculation and plotting of
parameter function graph were impossible. Table 5-22 contains data
collected thus far, future researchers may use actual data to complete
this task.

5.4.3 Biota

A. Pest species

The acreage on which agriculture chemicals are used to control
various categories of pests, the total acreage where pests species may
inhabit, and the expenses of chemicals used for insect control on animals
are all collected from USDA Census of Agriculture, 1964 and 1969. The
complete set of required data are shown in Table 5-23. Formulas 4-12,
4-13 and 4-14 are used in the calculations of percentage change of pest
species infestation over five years, which are shown in Table 5-24. All
the results in four counties show the increase of infested land area and
animals. It can be seen from Figure 5-8 that all the four counties are
below standards. The ecological performances of the four counties are
listed in Table 5-25.

B. Utilization of carrying capacity

The estimated net grass production, the amount of grassland
requirements of each animal unit, the existing acreage of grazing area,
and the total number of animal units occurring in the study region are
all used to evaluate the utilization of carrying capacity of the land.
Data collected from USDA Census of Agriculture, 1969, and Oklahoma Con-
servation Needs Inventory Report, 1970, are shown in Table 5-26. The
animal listed in the (vi) row of item (4) is only the deer estimate.
The population of rabbits or other grazers is not available in this study
region. Five formulas, i.e., from 4-15 to 4-19, are used in the calcula-
tions of utilization of carrying capacity. All the calculations are
shown in Table 5-27. The results from the four counties are very close
to each other and all are in the intervals of standard (see Section

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TABLE 5-23 DATA COLLECTED ON PEST SPECIES

ITEM TO BE DETERMINED	DATA								
	On County Basis	Pawnee		Creek		Tulsa		Osage	
		1964	1969	1964	1969	1964	1969	1964	1969
(1) Plant Weeds in Crops	(i) Acreage of harvested cropland in Class 1-5 Farms	44,107	43,390	18,206	18,199	30,961	38,146	68,682	70,977
	(ii) Acreage on which agricultural chemicals are used to control weeds or grass in crops	645	2,456	663	581	1,307	5,318	2,429	4,187
(2) Plant Weeds in Pasture	(iii) Acreage of total pastureland (all types) in Class 1-5 Farms	198,973	230,277	213,185	241,435	86,731	100,506	1,044,027	1,055,058
	(iv) Acreage on which agricultural chemicals are used to control weeds or brush in pasture	1,279	937	3,891	1,332	2,654	666	4,916	25,700
(3) Plant Diseases	(v) Same as (i) (vi) Acreage on which agricultural chemicals are used to control diseases in crops and orchards	215	—	10	257	74	212	128	18
(4) Animal pests on Crops	(vii) Same as (i) (viii) Acreage on which agricultural chemicals are used to control insects on other crops	—	408	—	213	—	2,042	—	1,932
(5) Animal Pests on Hay Crops	(ix) Acreage of cropland used only for pasture or grazing in Class 1-5 Farms	13,277	30,314	15,226	33,352	11,086	24,137	36,039	61,234
	(x) Acreage on which agricultural chemicals are used to control insects on hay crops	270	30	—	3	240	140	1,340	128
(6) Animal Diseases & Carriers	(xi) Class 1-5 farm production expenses ($) on feed for livestock and poultry	55,962	$1,177,648	54,135	$941,892	36,867	$1,085,926	160,755	$3,288,663
	(xii) Farm expenses ($) on agricultural chemicals for insect control on livestock and poultry	38,871	$10,966	37,983	$3,848	22,569	$4,885	138,889	$26,232

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TABLE 5-24   CALCULATION OF PEST SPECIES

ITEM TO BE DETERMINED	CATEGORY	FORMULA	RESULT Pawnee 1964	Pawnee 1969	Creek 1964	Creek 1969	Tulsa 1964	Tulsa 1969	Osage 1964	Osage 1969
1) & 2) Total Percentage of Area Infested by Various Pest Species in 1964 & 1969 $(S_5 \& S_o)$	(1) Plant Weeds in Crops	$\dfrac{P_1}{T_1} = \dfrac{(ii)}{(i)}$	0.0146	0.0566	0.0364	0.0319	0.0422	0.1394	0.0354	0.0590
	(2) Plant Weeds in Pasture	$\dfrac{P_2}{T_2} = \dfrac{(iv)}{(iii)}$	0.0064	0.0041	0.0183	0.0055	0.0306	0,0066	0.0047	0.0244
	(3) Plant Diseases	$\dfrac{P_3}{T_3} = \dfrac{(vi)}{(v)}$	0.0049	—	0.0005	0.0141	0.0024	0.0056	0.0019	0.0003
	(4) Animal Pests on Crops	$\dfrac{P_4}{T_4} = \dfrac{(viii)}{(vii)}$	—	0.0113	—	0.0117	—	0.0535	—	0.0272
	(5) Animal Pests on Hay Crops	$\dfrac{P_5}{T_5} = \dfrac{(x)}{(ix)}$	0.0203	0.0010	—	0.0001	0.0216	0.0058	0.0372	0.0021
	(6) Animal Deseases & Carriers*	$\dfrac{P_6}{T_6} = \dfrac{(xii)}{(xi)}$	0.6946	0.0093	0.7016	0.0041	0.6122	0.0045	0.8640	0.0080
		$S_5 = \sum\limits_{i=1}^{6} \dfrac{P_{i5}}{T_{i5}} \times 100\%$	4.62%		5.52%		9.68%		7.92%	
		$S_o = \sum\limits_{i=1}^{6} \dfrac{P_{io}}{T_{io}} \times 100\%$		7.30%		6.33%		21.09%		11.30%
3) Percentage Change of Pest Species Infestation over 5 years (C_5)		$C_5 = \dfrac{S_o - S_5}{S_5} \times 100\%$	+58.01%		+14.67%		+117.87%		+42.68%	

* These figures are not counted since the data are not comparable.

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Pawnee: —————·—————··—————

Creek: —————··—————··—————

Tulsa: —————···—————····—————

Osage: —————····—————····—————

Percentage Change of Pest Species in performance Δt years $(C_{\Delta t})$
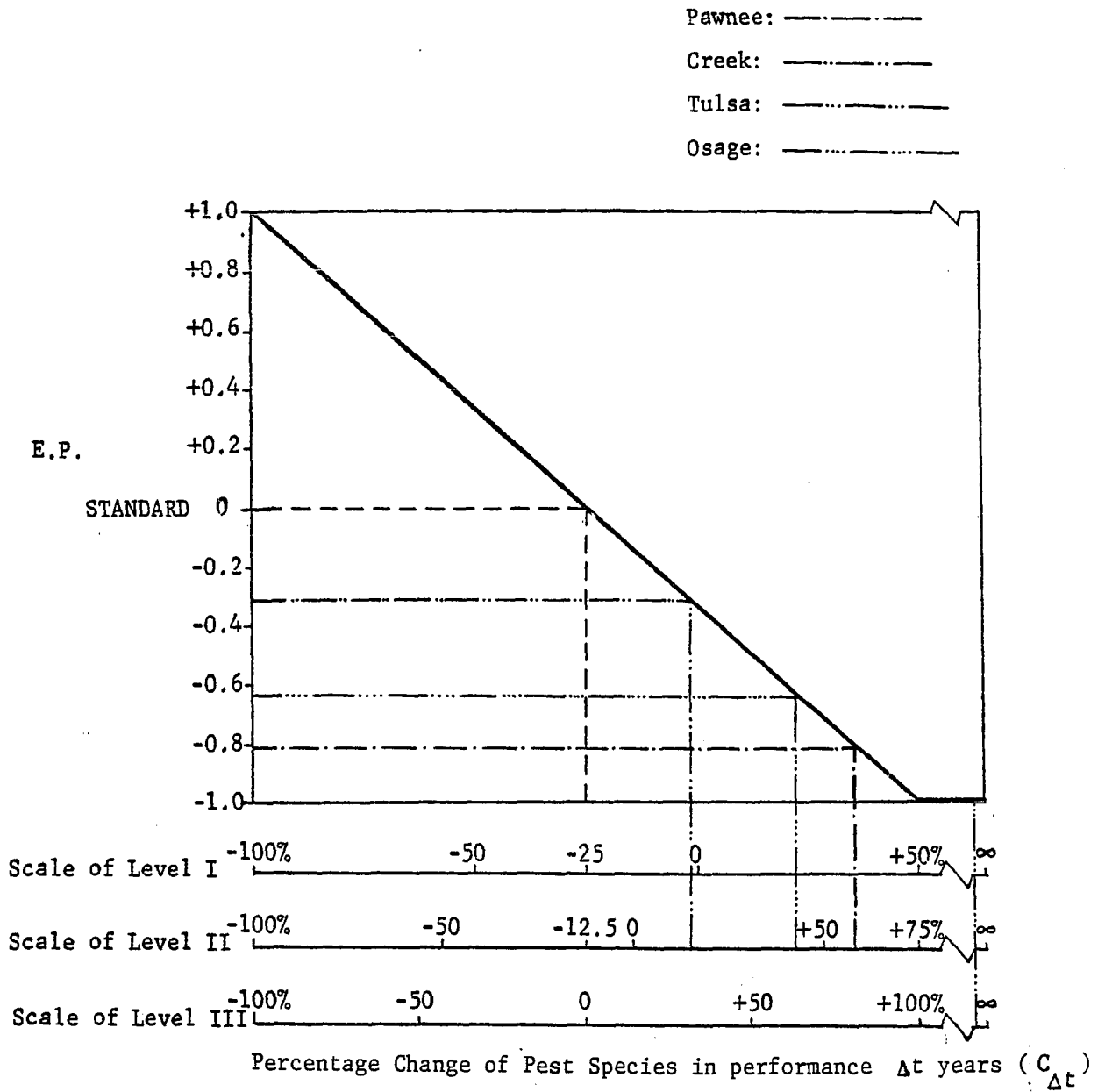
FIGURE 5-8   PARAMETER FUNCTION GRAPH OF PEST SPECIES

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TABLE 5-25 ECOLOGICAL PERFORMANCE OF PEST SPECIES

COUNTY ITEM LEVEL	Pawnee II	Creek II	Tulsa III	Osage II
Ecological Pergormance	-0.81	-0.31	-1.00	-0.63

TABLE 5-26   DATA COLLECTED ON UTILIZATION OF CARRYING CAPACITY

ITEM TO BE DETERMINED	DATA (On County Basis)	Pawnee	Creek	Tulsa	Osage
1) Estimated net hay production (P)	(i) Acreage of hay harvested (excluding sorghum hay) in all farms of 1969	14,240	16,898	19,380	35,145
	(ii) Amount of hay harvested (excluding sorghum hay) in all farms of 1969 (lbs)	5.35×10^7	5.5×10^7	8.29×10^7	1.25×10^8
2) Supporting ratio(S)					
3) Carrying capacity (C)	(iii) Total Acreage of pasture land and rangeland of 1967	192,844	267,005	148,260	784,545
4) Total animal units occurring	(iv) Number of cattle and calves in all farms of 1969	54,143	45,027	30,997	156,227
	(v) Number of horses and ponies in all farms of 1969.	889	2,229	2,372	2,372
	(vi) Number of sheep and lambs in all farms of 1969	636	153	227	646
	(vii) Estimated number of other grazers in the county*:				
	deer of 1974	524	1,470	42	3,280
	rabbit of 1974	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.

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*Oklahoma State Department of Wildlife Conservation estimated actual number of deer to be about ten times the reported deer kills.

TABLE 5-27   CALCULATION OF UTILIZATION OF CARRYING CAPACITY

ITEM TO BE DETERMINED	FORMULA	Result			
		Pawnee (II)	Creek (II)	Tulsa (III)	Osage (II)
1) Estimated net hay production (lbs/acre/year	$P = (ii)/(i)$	3,759	3,257	4,276	3,549
2) Supporting ratio (Acres/A.U./ year)	$S = 9,600/2P$	1.28	1.47	1.12	1.35
3) Carrying capacity (A.U.)	$C = (iii)/S$	150,660	181,636	132,375	581,145
4) Total animal units occurring (A.U.)	$N = (iv) + (v)x\,1.28+ (vi)x0.06+ (vii)x\,0.03$	55,335	47,934	34,048	159,400
5) Utilization of carrying capacity	$U = \frac{N}{C} \times 100\%$	36.7%	26.4%	25.7%	27.4%

4.2.3.B.). But none of them falls in the optimal utilization range. The parameter function graph and ecological performances are shown in Figure 5-9 and Table 5-28, respectively.

C. Terrestrial food web

Data on the number of terrestrial animal species with their respective occurrence in each animal class in hte Mid-Arkansas River Basin are derived from the previous study on the Mid-Arkansas Region by the Corps of Engineers (see Appendix D). One of the major reasons of applying this parameter to the whole river basin, instead of separate counties, is that the animal species data of individual counties are not available. Another limitation is that these data are dynamic rather than static. Therefore, a larger sampling area is necessary for obtaining more accurate information. Trophic level and diet of each species are compiled from various animal handbooks (40). Table 5-29 shows the data collected. As shown on Table 5-30, the terrestrial food web index for entire M.A.R.B. is calculated to be 74.9%. The E.P. is above the standard (see Figure 5-10 and Table 5-31).

D. Aquatic food web

Data on the number of aquatic animal species with their respective occurrence in each animal class in the Mid-Arkansas River Basin are derived from the previous study by the Corps of Engineers (see Appendix D). The reasons for selecting the whole river basin as the basis of data collection are the same as the ones described in the terrestrial food web parameter. Trophic level and diet of each aquatic species are compiled from various animal handbooks (40). Table 5-32 shows the data collected. The result from Table 5-33 is 71.7%. It is slightly lower than the terrestrial food web index, but large enough to be located in the optimal E.P. region (see Figure 5-11 and Table 5-34).

5.5 Summary of the Field Test Results

The ecological performances of the twelve parameters presented above are summarized in Table 5-35. Among the twelve parameters, six are tested by counties, three by the whole M.A.R.B. region. The remain-

Parameter Function Graph

Pawnee: —— · —— · ——

Creek: —— ·· —— ·· ——

Tulsa: —— ··· ——— ··· ——

Osage: —— ···· ——— ···· ——

E.P.

STANDARD

Scale of Level I

Scale of Level II

Scale of Level III

Utilization of Carrying Capacity
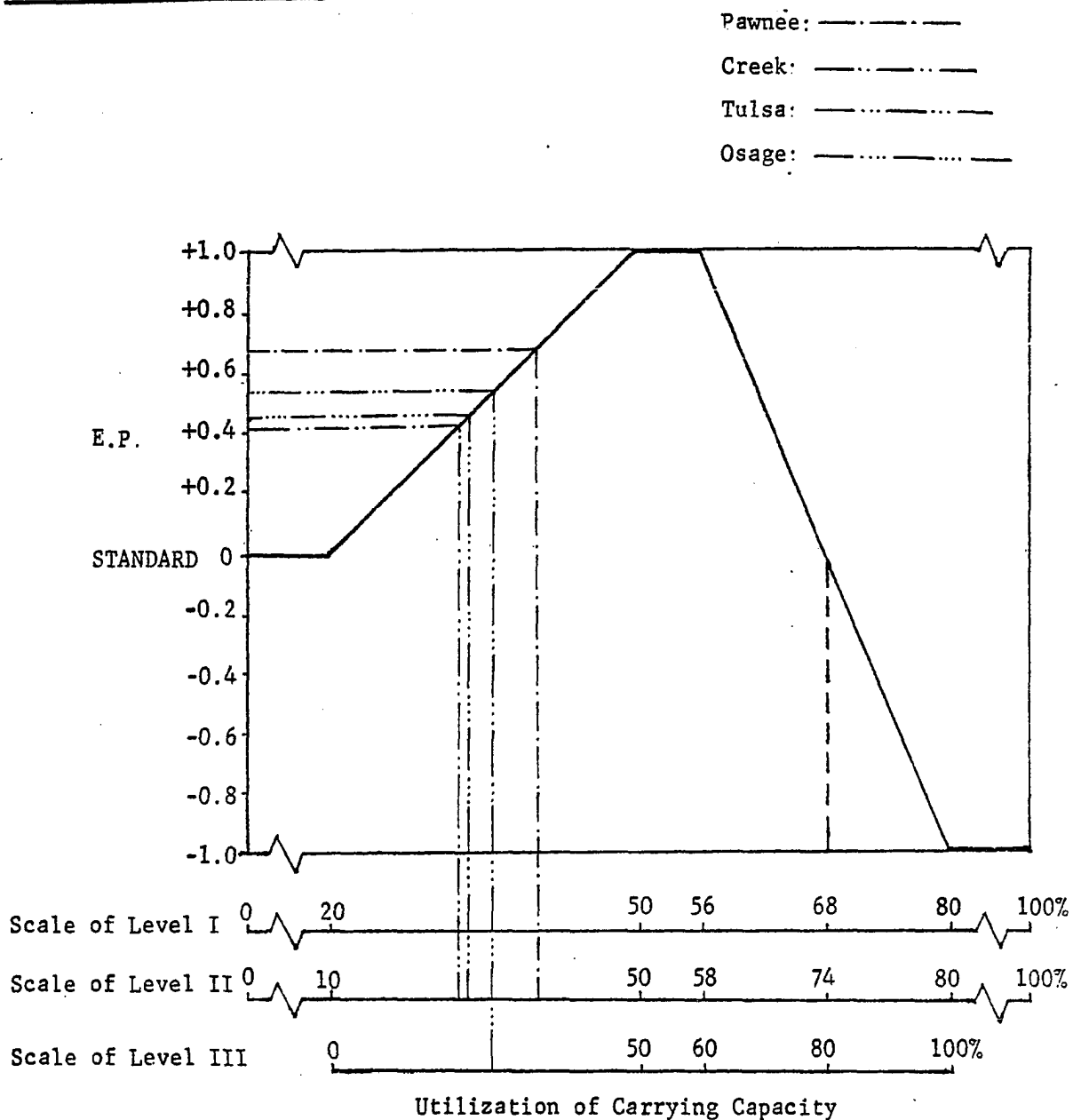
FIGURE 5-9   PARAMETER FUNCTION GRAPH OF UTILIZATION OF CARRYING CAPACITY

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TABLE 5-28. ECOLOGICAL PERFORMANCE OF UTILIZATION OF CARRYING CAPACITY

ITEM COUNTY / LEVEL	Pawnee II	Creek II	Tulsa III	Osage II
Ecological Performance	+0.67	+0.41	+0.51	+0.44

TABLE 5-29 DATA COLLECTED (ON RIVER-BASIN BASIS) ON TERRESTRIAL FOOD WEB

Trophic Level (L_j) / # of Occurrence Species (R_i) / Animal class k=1-4	Primary Consumers $(L_1=0.33)$			Secondary Consumers $(L_2=0.67)$			Tertiary Consumers $(L_3=1.00)$		
	Common $(R_1=100)$	Occasional $(R_2=10)$	Rare $(R_3=1)$	Common $(R_1=100)$	Occasional $(R_2=10)$	Rare $(R_3=1)$	Common $(R_1=100)$	Occasional $(R_2=10)$	Rare $(R_3=1)$
Terrestrial Amphibians (k=1)	0	0	0	6	11	1	1	4	0
Terrestrial Reptiles (k=2)	0	0	0	7	11	3	16	16	4
Birds (k=3)	2	3	1	94	45	35	35	59	16
Mammals (k=4)	11	7	0	11	11	3	4	7	2

TABLE 5-30 CALCULATION OF TERRESTRIAL FOOD WEB.

TROPHIC LEVEL (L_i) / Occurence (R_j) Result / FORMULA	Primary Consumers $(L_1=0.33)$				Secondary Consumers $(L_2=0.67)$				Tertiary Consumers $(L_3=1.00)$			
	C $(R_1=100)$	O $(R_2=10)$	R $(R_3=1)$	$\sum_{1}^{3} T_{1j} \cdot R_j$	C $(R_1=100)$	O $(R_2=10)$	R $(R_3=1)$	$\sum_{1}^{3} T_{2j} \cdot R_j$	C $(R_1=100)$	O $(R_2=10)$	R $(R_3=1)$	$\sum_{1}^{3} T_{3j} \cdot R_j$
1) Total #Animal Species $T_{ij} = \sum_{k=1}^{4} S_{ijk}$	13	10	1	1,401	118	78	42	12,622	56	86	22	6,482
2) Weighted # Animal Species $T_{ij} \cdot L_i \cdot R_j$	433.3	33.3	0.3		7,866.7	520	28		5,600	860	22	
$\sum_{j=1}^{3} (T_{ij} \cdot L_i \cdot R_j)$	466.9				8,414.7				6,482			

Total Weighted # Animal Species

$$W = \sum_{i=1}^{3} \sum_{j=1}^{3} (T_{ij} \cdot L_i \cdot R_j) \qquad 15,364$$

3) Total # Species Modified by the Occurrence

$$V = \sum_{i=1}^{3} \sum_{j=1}^{3} (T_{ij} \cdot R_j) \qquad 20,505$$

4) Food Web Index (F)

$$F = \frac{W}{V} \times 100\% \qquad 74.9\%$$

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Terrestrial Food Web Index (F)
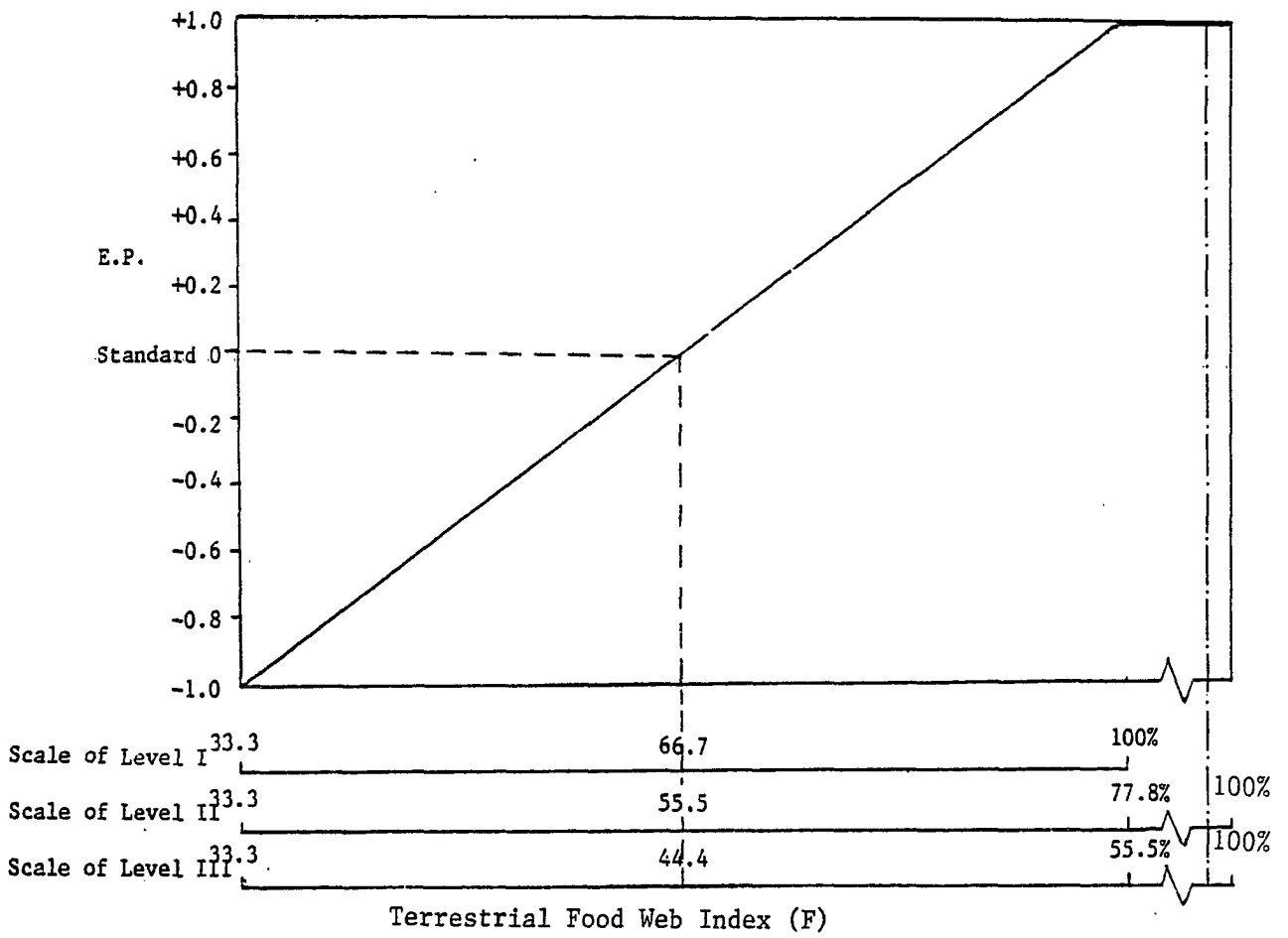
FIGURE 5-10   PARAMETER FUNCTION GRAPH OF TERRESTRIAL FOOD WEB

TABLE 5-31 ECOLOGICAL PERFORMANCE OF TERRESTRIAL FOOD WEB

ITEM REGION / LEVEL	Mid-Arkansas River Basin
	III
Ecological Performance	+1.0

TABLE 5-32   DATA COLLECTED (ON RIVER-BASIN BASIS) ON AQUATIC FOOD WEB

Trophic Level (L_i) / No. of Occurrence (R_j) / (Species S_{ijk}) / Animal Class $k=1\sim6$	Primary Consumers (L_1=0.33)			Secondary Consumers (L_2=0.67)			Tertiary Consumers (L_3=1.00)		
	Common (R_1=100)	Occa-sional (R_2=10)	Rare (R_3=1)	Common (R_1=100)	Occa-sional (R_2=10)	Rare (R_3=1)	Common (R_1=100)	Occa-sional (R_2=10)	Rare (R_3=1)
Amphibians (k=1)	0	0	0	2	3	0	1	3	0
Reptiles (k=2)	0	0	0	3	5	1	5	6	0
Birds (k=3)	1	1	1	21	16	9	9	25	5
Mammals (k=4)	0	0	0	2	0	0	2	2	0
Naiads (k=5)	13	8	7	0	0	0	0	0	0
Fishes (k=6)	0	0	0	30	22	27	10	6	5

TABLE 5-33 CALCULATION OF AQUATIC FOOD WEB

TROPHIC LEVEL (L_i) / Occurrence (R_j) / Result / FORMULA	Primary Consumers $(L_1=0.33)$				Secondary Consumers $(L_2=0.67)$				Tertiary Consumers $(L_3=1.00)$			
	C $(R_1=100)$	O $(R_2=10)$	R $(R_3=1)$	$\sum_1^3 T_{1j} \cdot R_j$	C $(R_1=100)$	O $(R_2=10)$	R $(R_3=1)$	$\sum_1^3 T_{2j} \cdot R_j$	C $(R_1=100)$	O $(R_2=10)$	R $(R_3=1)$	$\sum_1^3 T_{3j} \cdot R_j$
1) Total #Animal Species $T_{ij} = \sum_{k=1}^{4} S_{ijk}$	14	9	8	1,498	58	46	37	6,297	27	42	10	3,130
2) Weighted # Animal Species $T_{ij} \cdot L_i \cdot R_j$	466.7	30	2.7		3,866.7	306.7	24.7		2,700	420	10	
$\sum_{j=1}^{3} (T_{ij} \cdot L_i \cdot R_j)$	499.4				4,198				3,130			

Total Weighted # Animal Species $W = \sum_{i=1}^{3} \sum_{j=1}^{3} (T_{ij} \cdot L_i \cdot R_j)$ 7,827.4

3) Total # Species Modified by the Occurrence $V = \sum_{i=1}^{3} \sum_{j=1}^{3} (T_{ij} \cdot R_j)$ 10,925

4) Food Web Index $F = \dfrac{W}{V} \times 100\%$ 71.7%

Parameter Function Graph
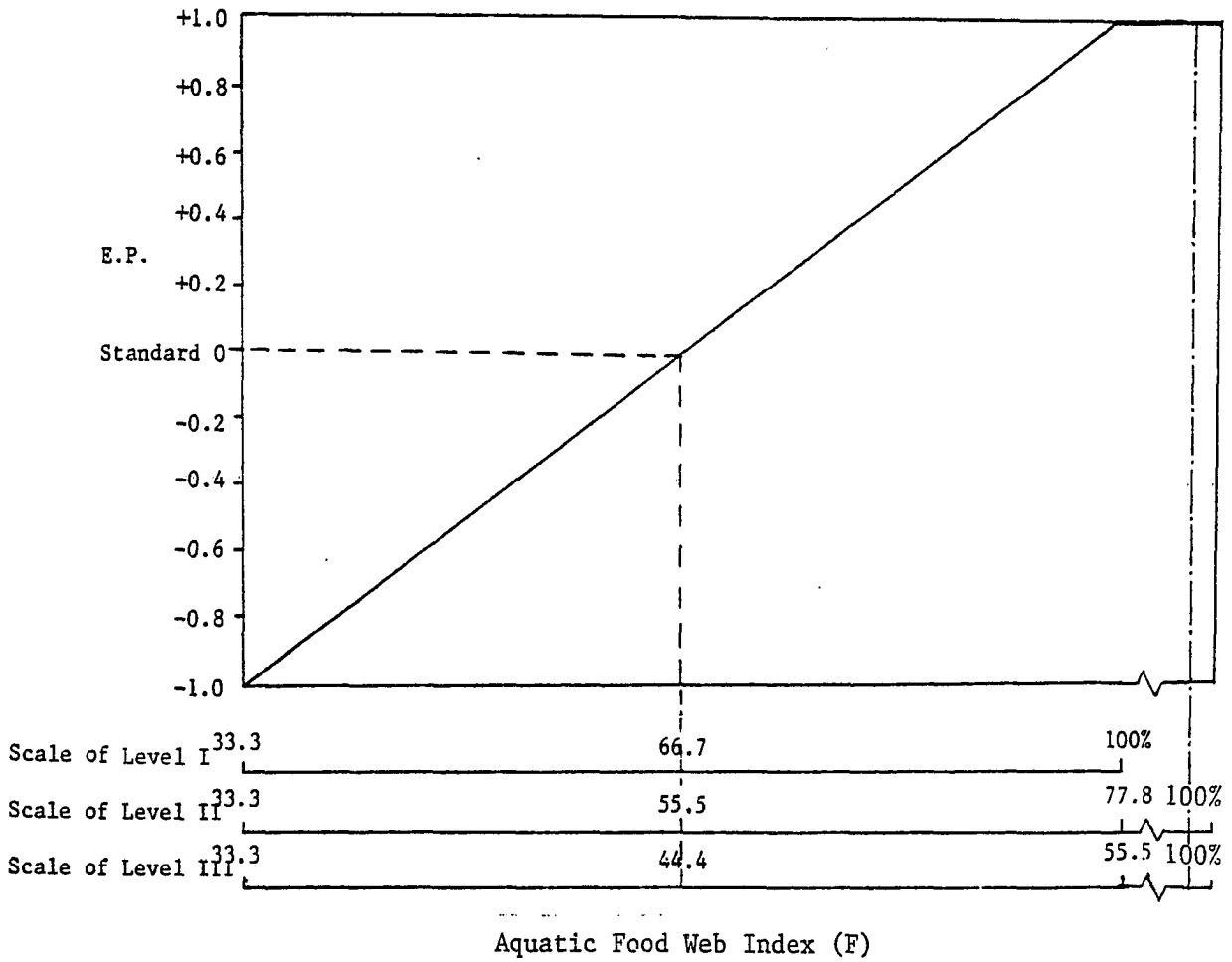
FIGURE 5-11   PARAMETER FUNCTION GRAPH OF AQUATIC FOOD WEB

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TABLE 5-34   ECOLOGICAL PERFORMANCE OF AQUATIC FOOD WEB

ITEM / REGION / LEVEL	Mid-Arkansas River Basin
	III
Ecological Performance	+1.0

TABLE 5-35 SUMMARY OF ECOLOGICAL PERFORMANCES OF MID-ARKANSAS RIVER BASIN

PARAMETER \ RESULT \ STUDY AREA / LEVEL	The Whole M.A.R.B Area III	Pawnee II	Creek II	Tulsa III	Osage II
Flora					
a. Terrestrial Natural Vegetation		-0.02	-0.08	-0.09	-0.05
b. Productivity of Aquatic Flora		-	-	-	-
c. Terrestrial Flora Species Diversity		-0.18	-0.39	+0.29	-0.28
d. Vegetation Land Use (Aesthetic)		-0.16	+0.60	-0.31	+0.18
Fauna					
a. Dynamic Ratio of Fish Population	-1.00(71) -0.60(72) -0.94(73)				
b. Waterfowl Habitat		+0.63	+0.64	-0.05	+0.01
c. Terrestrial Fauna Species Diversity		-	-	-	-
d. Fauna Species Composition (Aesthetic)		-	-	-	-
Biota					
a. Pest Species		-0.81	-0.31	-1.00	-0.63
b. Utilization of Carrying Capacity (Terrestrial)		+0.67	+0.41	+0.51	+0.44
c. Terrestrial Food Web	+1.0				
d. Aquatic Food Web	+1.0				

ing three parameters are either partially tested or not tested at all because of the unavailability of the required data at the present.

CHAPTER VI

SUMMARY AND CONCLUSIONS

The methodology developed in this research is one of the
pioneer efforts in formulating the ecological standards. Its development
is based on the best information, and it allows criticism, future studies,
and experience to lead to amendments, substitutions and modifications.

In this concluding chapter, a summary of the methodology is
first presented; and then, two major areas are discussed, namely, limi-
tations and recommendations.

6.1 Summary

Two steps were undertaken in this research to establish ecologi-
cal standards. The first one is the categorization of development levels
of natural environment by measuring specific socio-economic factors which
are capable of delineating the human modification of the ecological
system. The second one is the development of the ecological standards
in response to various development levels so as to reflect the human
influence on the ecological system.

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Three levels of development were identified in this study to represent the environmental condition of the region under consideration. The least disturbed environments are designated as level I areas. A level I area is assigned the strictest ecological standards in order to preserve the area for the enhancement and protection of wildlife and flora communities. The level II areas are designated by an intermediate level of human involvement in the ecological communities. The standards for the level II area are designed to allow more human interaction in the environment. Areas where large concentrations of population are located are designated as level III environments and the standards applied to these areas should be more tolerant of pollutants in the ecological systems.

Four socio-economic indicators were proposed to quantitatively measure the degree of human involvement in the natural environment: inhabitance index, land value, intensity of water use, and transportation facility. Inhabitance index is an indicator that explains the development level in terms of population size and settlement pattern. It is defined as the result of total population density multiplied by rural population density. Average land value (in dollars per acre) is a significant indicator of the development level of a region because the higher the development level, the more people compete for land, thus, giving rise to higher land values. The indicator of intensity of water use is expressed in terms of domestic, municipal and industrial water use (in acre-feet/sq mile-year). Because the inadequacy of transportation facilities presents great limitations to land resources development, transportation facilities (miles of streets and highways per acre) can be a significant indicator.

It is not intended that these four indicators be exhaustive; users should feel free to employ additional indicators for their study area. All the estimates of the indicator are transformed into their corresponding indicator performance level by comparing it with the maximum value in the region. They are then weighted in proportion to their relative importance. The relative weights assigned to the four indicators are as follows:

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Indicator	Relative Weight
Inhabitance index	5
Land value	4
Intensity of water use	3
Transportation facilities	3

The indicator performance levels are multiplied by their relative weights to obtain the weighted indicator performance levels which are then summed to obtain the development level estimates. The cutoff points on these development level estimates are determined to differentiate level I, II, and III regions.

Twelve parameters were employed to assess the ecological performance of the natural environment. For each parameter, a parameter function graph was developed, which illustrates the relationship between the parameter estimate (X-axis) and ecological performance (Y-axis). A measuring scale was set up to determine how well each parameter performs. This scale ranges from -1 to 0 and from 0 to +1. A zero value is designated as the standard value, while -1 and +1 represent the extremely poor and excellent performances respectively.

Three different scales (X-axis) were proportionally developed for each of the twelve parameters reflecting the three levels of restriction. Formulas were also developed for calculating the parameter estimates. The parameter estimate obtained can be applied to the appropriate scale of a study region whose level of development was previously determined from its socio-economic evaluation. By interpolation, the ecological performance of a parameter in a study region can be derived. If the ecological performance is ≥ 0, it is meeting or above the standards. Table 6-1 is a summary of the ecological standards developed by this research.

The validation of the methodology is accomplished by using data from the Mid-Arkansas River Basin, including Pawnee, Creek, Tulsa, and Osage counties of Oklahoma.

A unique and significant feature of this study is the combination of both socio-economic and environmental considerations in the

TABLE 6-1 SUMMARY OF PROPOSED ECOLOGICAL STANDARDS

Ecological Parameter	Level I	II	III
FLORA			
a. Terrestrial natural vegetation	NPC[1]	NPC	NPC
b. Productivity of aquatic flora	≤1,200	≤2,400	≤3,900
c. Terrestrial flora species diversity	≥30.5	≥23.0	≥15.5
d. Vegetation land use (aesthetic)	NPC	NPC	NPC
FAUNA			
a. Dynamic ratio of fish population	1.5 - 10	1.3 - 11.8	0.7 - 14.8
b. Waterfowl habitat	NPC	NPC	NPC
c. Terrestrial fauna species diversity	≥30.5	≥23.0	≥15.5
d. Fauna species composition (aesthetic)	NPC	NPC	NPC
BIOTA			
a. Pest species	≤-25%	≤-12.5%	≤0%
b. Utilization of carrying capacity	≤68%	≤74%	≤80%
c. Terrestrial food web	≥66.7%	≥55.5%	≥44.4%
d. Aquatic food web	≥66.7%	≥55.5%	≥44.4%

[1]NPC = Non-Negative Percentage Change

evaluation of the ecological system. The potential applications of the standards developed are as follows:

(1) The standards will add a new and useful dimension to the decision-making process of water resources development planning. Up to now, the existing standards for the water resources developments are based on two criteria, namely, economic efficiency and environmental enchancement. They are largely limited to physical, chemical and human aspects of the environment. The standards developed here incorporate socio-economic considerations into the ecological aspects of the environment. They are meaningful for and applicable to all the aquatic, land and land-water interface environments. Theoretically, this methodology is applicable to the water resources development project of any size as long as the data requireed are available.

(2) The socio-economic criteria and ecological standards developed can be used to judge alternative ecological standards programs.

(3) The standards and methodology developed can be used at any phase of a water resource project to assess the performance of the environment.

6.2 Limitations

The limitations of the ecological standards that were developed need to be assessed. These limitations stem from constraints on the scope of this research, data acquisition and reliance on institutional boundaries. While the limitations suggest areas of further research, they do not reduce the viability of the research effort.

By definition of the research problem, ecological standards were developed for water resource developments. Since water resources do not exist in isolation from the remainder of the terrestrial environ-

ment, the land resources of a region must also be included in any
research considering aquatic environments. The body of ecological data
and information on land-water interfaces is limited. Those studies that
are available limit themselves in general to specific locations allowing
little chance to draw general conclusions about the relationships of the
flora and fauna in the interface environments. Consequently, many of
the ecological standards are based on either aquatic or terrestrial
indicators. While the theory and concept of these indicators is perfect-
ly adaptable to the research, a logical extension of the project would
lie in developing more indicators of the ecological conditions in the
land-water interface environments.

The availability of ecological data was a second limiting factor.
Much of the data required for formulation of ecological standards for
different types of environments is limited to specific sites. The Mid-
Arkansas River Basin in Oklahoma is one of the most frequently studied
basins in the southwestern United States, yet the data necessary for
accurate evaluation of the ecological systems was not readily available.
Particular difficulty was encountered by the author in acquiring the
uniform ecological data for each county unit. Much of the data available
is not uniform in type or region covered, rendering comparison almost
impossible. Uniform, standardized data on the ecological systems in
each river basin would improve the accuracy and applicability of the
ecological standards.

The reliance on institutional boundaries (i.e., county, city,
state) for socio-economic data in the formulation of the development
levels was a limitation in the establishment of the ecological standards.
This limitation stems from the use of county level data to determine
socio-economic levels while utilizing ecological data based on the river
basin as the unit of measure. Since the river basin is a geographical
unit and the county a political unit, it is difficult to compare the
results of the measurements and arrive at a meaningful comparison
because the river basin often includes portions of several counties.
The counties of the Mid-Arkansas River Basin utilized in this research
were fairly uniform in the composition of their socio-economic patterns.
Consequently, generalizations interpreted from the county data could be

applied to the water resources under study without sacrificing accuracy. The problem of varying units of measurement will not be resolved until more accurate and uniform methods of establishing the socio-economic characteristics of river basins are developed and implemented.

6.3 Recommendations

In the course of development of this methodology, many difficulties were encountered but remained unresolved. In addition to this, at the final stage of the research, some inadequately dealt with areas began to emerge as guidelines for future researches. Some of the recommendations for future studies are outlined below:

(1) Further validation of the methodology. This is perhaps the most urgent area that needs to be further studied. In this research, the scope of examination of land development levels is the state. Generally, to divide land development into three levels is adequate to show the difference in development within a state, but great disparity in development may occur across the political boundries of states. For this reason, conflicting results may appear when evaluating river basin regions that encompassed more than one state. In future studies, further validation and more meaningful results may be accomplished and obtained by considerating larger study regions, e.g., an entire reiver basin or a geographic region. This task which involves an astronomical amount of data may be facilitated by the aid of a computer program. When this is accomplished, then many areas of the methodology may be appropriately adjusted and refined.

(2) Modifications of development level indicators and ecological prarmeters. This includes the following:

(a) Expansion of the list of 4 development level indicators and 12 ecological parameters. The indicators and parameters developed were not intended to be exhaustive, even though they are the best lists possible at the present time. As this methodology is refined and more data become available, more meaningful and representative indicators and parameters may be developed in addition to replacement of existing ones.

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(b) Contraction of the list of indicators and parameters. In this research, because of the small size of the lists, very little over-lapping is observed in depicting the environmental elements. In future studies, when the lists are expanded, correlation analysis will be needed to expose the redundancy of the indicators or parameters which will effectively condense the lists to ones that are precise and accurate.

(c) Updating of indicators and parameters when data become available in the future.

(d) Minimize the constraints on the ecological parameters. In some of the parameters, assumptions were made in their development so that many constraints were inherited as a result. Because of this, these parameter development methodologies will only be correct under the conditions of the assumptions stated. The use of assumption was often a result of the use of indirect data[1]. Thus, to be rid of the assumptions and consequently the constraints, more direct data should be collected.

(3) Further discussion of the relative weight of the parameters and the possible development of a total E.P. value. In this study, all 12 E.P. values determined were treated as if they carried the same importance. But in practice, there is a definite existence of priorities among the parameters. To study this area is not within the scope of this research, but future researchers may venture into this area which may lead to the development of a total ecological performance scale.

(4) Cooperative and systematic collection of ecological data. Like the EPA collecting pollution or quality control data in the stored systems, responsible government agencies may form a cooperative data bank in which ecological data are stored for future researchers to retrieve when necessary. At the present time, many basic ecological data are still lacking, fragmented or even unpublished. A system for orderly accumulation of ecological data is needed; the development of which will greatly assist future studies, especially the further validation of this methodology.

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[1] Data that connot be used directly as raw data, but required implications and assumptions in using them are termed indirect data.

APPENDICES

APPENDIX A

GLOSSARY OF ECOLOGICAL TERMS[1]

AUTOTROPH (PRIMARY PRODUCER). An organism that synthesizes organic
compounds from inorganic ones (such as water, carbon dioxide,
and salts) with the aid of an external supply of energy. The
energy comes either from light (in photosynthesis) or from the
breakdown of inorganic substances (in chemotrophs). Includes
some bacteria, algae and green plants.

BIOMASS. Weight of living material, usually expressed as a dry weight,
in all or part of an organism, population, or community. Com-
monly expressed as weight per unit area, a biomass density.

BIOTA. Species of all the plants (flora) and animals (fauna) occurring
within a certain area or region.

BIOTIC. Living.

BIOTIC COMMUNITY. All of the populations of organisms that exist and
interact in a given area.

CARNIVORE (SECONDARY CONSUMER). A flesh-eating animal that feeds on
herbivores (primary consumers) to obtain its energy; e.g. a lion
that feeds on a zebra.

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[1]Source: 30, 64, 68, 77.

CARRYING CAPACITY (K). Number of individuals that the resources of a
particular habitat of the environment can support.

COMMUNITY. Group of populations of plants and animals interacting in a
given place; ecological unit used in a broad sense to include
groups of various sizes and degrees of integration.

COMPETITION: Individuals or populations interact in an aggressive manner
to gain possession of a similar resource which may or may not be
in short supply.

CONSUMERS. Organisms that derive their nutrition directly from plants
(herbivores) or indirectly from the producer by way of the her-
bivore (carnivores).

CYCLE. A sequence of events that recur regularly in a certain pattern.

DETRITUS. Freshly dead or partially decomposed organic matter.

DETRITUS FEEDERS. Organisms that feed by ingesting small pieces of dead
plant and animal material.

DIGESTION. Chemical breakdown of food into a form that can be assimila-
ted by an organism.

DIVERSITY. A measure of the variety of species in a community that takes
into account the relative abundance of each species.

DOMINANCE (GENETIC). Ability of a genetic trait (allele) to mask the
expression of an alternative form of the same gene when both
are present in the same cell (that is, in a meterozygote).

DONIMANCE. Condition in communities or in vegetational strata in which
one or more species, by means of their number, coverage, or
size, have considerable influence or control upon the condi-
tions of existence of associated species.

DOMINANT. A species of plant that exerts a major influence on an ecosys-
tem, and whose removal would radically alter the whole associa-
tion. In a particular succession or climax, one (or several)
of these dominant species is the most prominent plant, and the
succession or climax may be called after it.

DYNAMICS. In population ecology the study of the reasons for changes in
population size, contrast with statics.

ECOLOGICAL PYRAMID. A diagram showing the numbers, or mass, of the indi-
viduals in the different trophic levels of an ecosystem.

ECOLOGICAL SUCCESSION. The dynamic process by which ecosystems change
over time.

ECOLOGY. The study of animals and plants and the interrelations between
them, considered in relation to their nonliving environment;
the study of ecosystems and biomes.

ECOSYSTEM. System of living organisms and the media through which they
exchange matter and energy.

ENVIRONMENTAL GRADIENT. A continuum of conditions ranging between ex-
tremes as the gradation from hot to cold environments.

EUTROPHIC. Referring to a body of water with abundant nutrients and
high productivity.

EUTROPHICATION. "Aging" process in aquatic communities where producti-
vity increases with a gradual increase in nutrient input, which
primarily is caused by sewage and runoff from fertilized agri-
cultural land.

FOOD CHAIN. A linear chain of organisms in which each link in the chain
feeds on the one before and is eaten by the one after. At the
start of the chain are the primary producers; at the end, the
carnivores.

FOOD WEB. All the interrelated food chains in an ecosystem. The sum
total of all the feeding habits of all the organisms in an
ecosystem.

GRASSLANDS. Regions where the climax vegetation is grass and there are
few trees. Tropical grasslands are often known as savannas;
temperate grasslands include the prairies, pampas, steppes and
veld.

HABITAT. Place where an animal or plant normally lives, often charac-
terized by a dominat plant form or physical characteristic (i.e.,
the stream habitat, the forest habitat).

HERBIVORE (PRIMARY CONSUMER). An organism that feeds on primary producers
(autotrophs), i.e., plants.

INTERFERENCE. Direct antagonism between individuals by behavioral of
chemical means.

LIFE FORM. Characteristic structure of a plant or animal.

LOG-NORMAL SPECIES DISTRIBUTION. Frequency distribution of species

abundances in which the X axis is expressed on a logarithmic
scale, X axis is (Log) number of individuals represented in
smaple, Y axis is number of species.

MONOCULTURE. A farming system based on a single crop, grown year after
year.

NICHE. The habitat of an organism and the role it plays in the ecosystem.

NUTRIENT. Any substance required by organisms for normal growth and
maintenance (mineral nutrients usually refer to inorganic sub-
stances taken from soil or water).

OLIGOTROPHIC. Referring to a body of water with a low nutrient content
and low productivity, usually characterized by extremely clear
water.

OMNIVORE. An o.ganism whose diet is broad, including both plant and
an'·-·ɔl foods.

PHOTOSYNTHESIS. The process by which carbon dioxide, water, sunlight,
and chlorophyll are utilized to produce glucose in plant cells.

PHYTOPLANKTON. Plant portion of the plankton, the plant community in
marine and freshwater situations which floats free in the water
and contains many species of algae and diatoms.

PLANKTON. Microscopic floating aquatic plants (phytoplankton) and ani-
mals (zooplankton).

POLLUTION. Sediments, foodstuffs, poisons, and heat that are entering
an ecosystem at a rate exceeding the normal ability of the
ecosystem to process and distribute them.

POPULATION. A group of individuals of a single species living in a
given area.

PREDATION. A type of interaction between two species in which one
species (the predator) attacks and kills another species (the
prey).

PRIMARY CONSUMER. See Herbivore.

PRIMARY PRODUCER. See Autotroph.

PRIMARY PRODUCTION. Assimilation (gross) or accumulation (net) of energy
and nutrients by green plants and other autotrophs.

PRODUCERS. Organisms that can convert the radiant energy from the sun
into chemical energy by producing energy-rich carbon compounds.

PRODUCTION. Amount of energy (or materials) formed by an individual,
    population, or community in a specific time period.

PYRAMID OF ENERGY. A diagram showing the energy available per unit time
    in a trophic level. Usually expressed as kilocalories per
    square meter per year ($kcal/m^2/yr$).

SECONDARY CONSUMER. See Carnivore.

SPECIES DIVERSITY. Refers to the number of different species occupying
    the same area.

STABILITY. Inherent capacity of any system to resist change.

STANDING CROP. Amount of biomass present at a particular time.

STATICS. In population ecology the study of the reasons of equilibrial
    conditions or average values; contrast with dynamics.

STRATIFICATION (IN ECOLOGY). The arrangement of an ecosystem into
    layers, such as forest canopy, understory, shrubs, herbaceous
    plants, moses, and so on. It also includes the animals that
    live in these layers.

SUCCESSION. Replacement of one kind of community by another kind, the
    progressive changes in vegetation and animal life that may
    culminate in the climax.

SYSTEM. A collection of parts or events (called components, elements,
    or subsystems) that can be seen as a single whole thing because
    of the consistent interdependence and interaction of those parts
    or events.

TERTIARY CONSUMER. An organism that feeds on secondary consumers. For
    instance: the cod (tertiary consumer) eats herring (secondary
    consumer), which eat copepods (primary consumers), which eat
    sea-water diatoms (primary producers).

TROPHIC. Pertaining to food or nutrition.

TROPHIC LEVEL. A division of the food chain defined from other levels
    by the method of obtaining food: primary producer, primary con-
    sumer, secondary consumer, tertiary consumer.

WETLANDS. Areas of shallow water, often with much vegetation growing in it.

ZOOPLANKTON. Animal portion of the plankton; the animal community in marine
    and freshwater situations which floats free in the water, indepen-
    dent of the shore and the bottom, moving passively with the
    currents.

APPENDIX B

DEFINITIONS OF VEGETATION LAND USE[1]

1) <u>Cropland</u> : Land in tillage rotation, orchards, and land formerly in
such uses as described below:

   i) <u>Tillage Rotation</u>

     A. <u>Field crops</u>

       a. <u>All row corps</u> - Includes corn and sorghums for all pur-
poses whether grown in rows or broadcast and all other
row crops.

       b. <u>Close grown crops</u> - Small grains and other close-seeded
crops not usually grown in rows and tilled. Includes
such crops used for temporary hay or pasture.

       c. <u>Summer fallow</u> - Cropland in semi-arid areas that is being
fallowed.

     B. <u>Rotation hay and pasture</u> - Grasses or legumes used for hay
or pasture as part of the crop rotation.

     C. <u>Hayland</u> - Land permanently used for forage on which occasional
seed bed preparation or other measures are used to improve
the stand; other perennial grasses and legumes for which hay

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[1]Source: Oklahoma Conservation Needs Inventory, March, 1970.

or seed is harvested and then pastured or allowed to grow forage.

    D. Conservation use only - Cropland in grasses, legumes, or small grains not harvested or pastured. All open acreage diverted from crops under Federal programs; other such land not under Federal programs. All diverted acres including diverted acres under annual programs (except summer fallow). Does not include land that may be defined as forest.

    E. Temporarily idle cropland - Acreage not in any of the uses described above, but which was in such uses during one or more of the three years immediately preceding 1967.

  ii) Orchards, Vineyards, and Bush Fruit - Fruit or nut orchards (regardless of intertilling or pasturing), bush fruit, blueberries and similar fruit crops.

  iii) Open Land Formerly Cropped - Same as Temporarily Idle Cropland except that the land has been idle more than the three years, and is not purposely being converted to another use.

2) Federal Land: Federally owned land except cropland operated under lease or permit, and Indian lands under trusteeship but owned by individuals or tribes.

3) Forest Land: Lands which are (a) at least 10 percent stocked by forest trees of any size and capable of producing timber of other wood products, or capable of exerting an influence on the water regime; (b) lands from which the trees described in (a) have been removed to less than 10 percent stocking and which have not been developed for other uses; (c) afforested (planted) areas; and (d) chaparral areas.

Commercial - The land is capable of producing at least 20 cubic feet of industrial wood per acre per year.

Noncommercial - Includes acres incapable of producing industrial wood products because of adverse site conditions.

4) Forest Land Grazed: Acreage of commercial or non-commercial forest grazed by livestock.

5) Irrigated Land: Land on which irrigation water is applied by an adapted irrigation method on a recurring basis as an integral part

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of crop production.

6) Other Land: Non-Federal rural land not classified as cropland, pasture, range, forest, or urban and built-up areas.

> In Farms - Other land considered locally as part of a farm.
>
> Not In Farms - Other non-Federal rural land which is not part of a farm.
>
> Not In Inventory - Water area, urban and built-up areas, and Federal land (except cropland).

7) Pasture: Lands producing forage plants, principally introduced species for animal consumption.

8) Range: Land on which the natural potential (climax) plant cover is composed principally of native grasses, forbs and shrubs valuable for forage. This includes natural grasslands and savannahs.

9) Total Inventory Acreage: The acreage after Federal land, urban and built-up areas, and water areas are deducted from the total land area.

10) Total Land Area: Land area given in the 1964 Census of Agriculture, adjusted as necessary, to exclude areas inundated by construction of new reservoirs, lakes, and ponds since April 1, 1960. Land area excludes water areas larger than 40 acres and rivers wider than 1/8 mile.

11) Urban and Built-up Areas: Areas that include cities, villages, and built-up areas of more than ten acres; industrial sites (except strip mines, borrow and gravel pits), railroad yards, cemeteries, airports, golf courses, shooting ranges, institutional and public administrative sites and similar types of areas.

12) Water Areas: Include ponds and lakes of more than two acres and not more than 40 acres and rivers and streams that are less than 1/8 mile wide.

APPENDIX C   FLORA OF THE MID-ARKANSAS RIVER BASIN

APPENDIX C-1

EIGHTEEN (18) TREE SPECIES OF THE UPLAND FOREST
IN THE MID-ARKANSAS RIVER BASIN AREA*

Common Name	Scientific Name
Shell-bark Hickory	Carya ovata
Black Hickory	Carya texana
Rough-leaved Hackberry	Celtis occidentalis
Red Bud	Cercis canadensis
White Ash	Fraxinus americana
Honey Locust	Gleditsia tricanthos
Black Walnut	Juglans nigra
Red Mulberry	Morus rubra
Ironwood	Ostrya virginiana
Burr Oak	Quercus macrocarpa
Blackjack Oak	Quercus marilandica
Chinquapin Oak	Quercus muehlenbergii
Southern Red Oak	Quercus rubra
Texas Spotted Oak	Quercus shumardii
Post Oak	Quercus stellata
Black Oak	Quercus velutina
American Elm	Ulmus americana
Red Elm	Ulmus rubra

* Source: Rice and Penfound, 1959, and Wells and Mosley, 1964.

APPENDIX C-2

SEVEN (7) COMMON SHRUBS AND VINES SPECIES OF THE UPLAND
FOREST IN THE MID-ARKANSAS RIVER BASIN AREA*

Common Name	Scientific Name
Indigobush	Amorpha fruticosa
Virginia Creeper	Parthenocissus quinquefolia
Winged Sumac	Rhus copallina
Smooth Sumac	Rhus glabra
Poison Ivy	Rhus radicans
Riverbank Grape	Vitis riparia
Frost Grape	Vitis vulpina

* Source: Kennedy, 1973.

APPENDIX C-3

TWENTY-SEVEN (27) COMMON HERBACEOUS PLANT SPECIES OF
THE UPLAND FOREST IN THE MID-ARKANSAS RIVER BASIN AREA*

Common Name	Scientific Name
Common Yarrow	Achillea millefolium
Common Ragweed	Ambrosia artemisiifolia
Big Bluestem	Andropogon gerardi
Little Bluestem	Andropogon scoparius
Plantainleaf Pussytoes	Antennaria plantaginifolia
Azure Aster	Aster azureus
Skydrop Aster	Aster patens
Plains Wildindigo	Baptisia leucophaca
Sedge	Carex spp.
Umbrella-sedge	Cyperus ovularis
Poverty Crowfootgrass	Danthonia spicata
Daisy Fleabane	Erigeron strigosus
White Avens	Geum canadense
Pinweed	Lechea tenuifolia
Trailing Lespedeza	Lespedeza procumbens
Violet Woodsorrel Oxalis	Oxalis violacea
Panicum	Panicum dichotomum
Slimleaf Panicum	Panicum linearifolium
Roundseed Panicum	Panicum shaerocarpon
Black-eyed Susan	Rudbeckia hirta
Fewflower Razonsedge	Scleria pauciflora
Small Skillcap	Scutellaria parvula
Indiangrass	Sorghastrum nutans
Pencilflower	Stylosanthes biflora
Hedgeparsley	Torlisis arvensis
Purpletop	Tridens flavus
Baldwin Ironweed	Vernonia Baldwinii

* Source: Kennedy, 1973

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TWENTY-THREE (23) TREE SPECIES OF THE BOTTOMLAND FOREST
IN THE MID-ARKANSAS RIVER BASIN AREA*

Common Name	Scientific Name
Box Elder	Acer negundo
Silver Maple	Acer saccharinum
Chittam Wood	Bumelia lanuginosa
Bitternut Hickory	Carya cordiformis
Pecan	Carya illinoensis
Catalpa	Catalpa speciosa
Southern Hackberry	Celtis laevigata
Rough-leaved Hackberry	Celtis occidentalis
Red Bud	Cercis canadensis
Green Ash	Fraxinus pennsylvanica
Coffee Tree	Gymnocladus dioica
Red Mulberry	Morus rubra
Sycamore	Platanus occidentalis
Cottonwood	Populus deltoides
Mexican Plum	Prunus mexicana
Burr Oak	Quercus macrocarpa
Chinquapin Oak	Quercus muehlenbergii
Texas Spotted Oak	Quercus shumardii
Post Oak	Quercus stellata
Black Willow	Salix nigra
Chinaberry	Sapindus drummondii
American Elm	Ulmus americana
Red Elm	Ulmus rubra

*Source: Rice, 1962

APPENDIX C-5

FOURTEEN (14) COMMON SHRUBS AND VINES SPECIES OF THE
BOTTOMLAND FOREST IN THE MID-ARKANSAS RIVER BASIN AREA*

Common Name	Scientific Name
Ohio Buckeye	Aesculus glabra
Pawpaw	Asimina triloba
American Bittersweet	Celastrus scandens
Red Bud	Cercis canadensis
Small Flowered Dogwood	Cornus drummondi
Burning Bush	Euonymus atrophurpureus
Virginia Creeper	Parthenocissus quinquefolia
Carrionflower Greenbrier	Smilax herbacea
Bamboo Greenbrier	Smilax tamnoides
American Bladdernut	Staphylea trifolia
Coralberry	Symphoricarpos orbiculatus
Sweet Winter Grape	Vitis cinera
Riverbank Grape	Vitis riparia
Frost Grape	Vitis vulpina

*Source: Koch, 1970

APPENDIX C-6

THIRTY-TWO (32) COMMON HERBACEOUS PLANT SPECIES OF THE
BOTTOMLAND FOREST IN THE MID-ARKANSAS RIVER BASIN AREA*

Common Name	Scientific Name
Wing-stem	Actinomeris alternifolia
Giant Ragweed	Ambrosia trifida
Canada Brome	Bromus purgens
American Bellflower	Campanula americana
Sedge	Carex davissii
Spreading Chaenostoma	Chaerophyllum procumbens
Mapleleaf Goosefoot	Chenopodium hybridum
Dutchman's-Breeches	Dicentra cucullaria
Ellisia	Ellisia nyctelea
Virginia Wildrye	Elymus virginicus
White Snakerroot	Eupatorium rugosum
Catchweed Bedstraw	Galium aparine
White Avens	Geum canadensis
Woodnettle	Laportea canadensis
Common Yellow Oxalis	Oxalis stricta
Pennsylvania Pellitory	Parietaria pennsylvanica
Sweetwilliam Phlox	Phlox divaricata
American Lopseed	Phryma Leptostachya
Littleleaf Buttercup	Ranunculus abortivus
Limestone Ruellia	Ruellia strepens
Canada Sanicle	Sanicula canadensis
Wall Burcucumber	Sicyos angulatus
Starry Silene	Silene stellata
Virginia Tovara	Tovara virginina
Broadleaf Uniola	Uniola latifolia
Bigstring Nettle	Urtica dioica
White Verbena	Verbena urticifolia
White Crownbeard	Verbesina virginica
Butterfly Violet	Viola papilionacea
Golden Zizia	Zizea aurea

*Source: Koch, 1970

FORTY-FIVE (45) COMMON PLANT SPECIES OF THE BLUESTEM PRAIRIE
IN THE MID-ARKANSAS RIVER BASIN AREA*

Common Name	Scientific Name
Western Yarrow	Achillea lanulosa
Winter Bentgrass	Agrostis hyemalis
Western Ragweed	Ambrosia psilostachya
Leadplant	Amorpha canescens
Big Bluestem	Andropogon gerardii
Silver Bluestem	Andropogon saccharoides
Little Bluestem	Andropogon scoparius
Broom-sedge Bluestem	Andropogon virginicus
Prairie Threeawn	Aristida oligantha
Heath Aster	Aster ericoides
Sideoats Grama	Bouteloua curtipendula
Blue Grama	Bouteloua gracilia
Japanese Brome	Bromus japonicus
Sedge	Carex spp.
Bigflower Coreopsis	Coreopsis grandiflora
Wooly Croton	Croton capitatus
Illinois Bundleflower	Desmodium illinoensis
Canada Wildrye	Elymus canadensis
Flowering spurge	Euphorbia corollata
Milk-purslane	Euphorbia supina
Bedstraw	Galium texense
Annual Broomweed	Gutierrezia dracunculoides
Wild Lettuce	Lactuca ludoviciana
Fall Witchgrass	Leptoloma cognatum
Korean Lespedeza	Lespedeza stipulacea
Black medic	Medicago lupulina
Rock Muhly	Muhlenbergia sobolifera
Celestial Lily	Nemastylis geminiflora
Common Yellow Oxalis	Oxalis stricta
Scribner Panicum	Panicum scribnerianum
Switchgrass	Panicum virgatum
Purple Prairie clover	Petalostemum purpureum
Prairie Groundcherry	Physalis pumila
Kentucky Bluegrass	Poa pratensis
Wild Alfalfa	Psoralea tenuiflora
Ruellia	Ruellia humilis
Azure Sage	Salvia azurea
Catclaw Sensitivebrier	Schrankia nultallii
Green Bristlegrass	Setaria viridis
Missouri Goldenrod	Solidago missouriensis
Indiangrass	Sorghastrum nutans
Tall Dropseed	Sporobolus asper
Wild Bean	Strophostyles leiosperma
Purpletop	Tridens flavus
Baldwin Ironweed	Vernonia baldwinii

*Source: Risser and Kennedy, 1972

ELEVEN (11) RARE PLANT SPECIES IN THE MID-ARKANSAS RIVER BASIN AREA*

Species	R1	R2	Habitat
Bromus mollis (Soft Brome)		X	Disturbed areas
Diarrhea americana (American Beakgrain)	X		Creek bottoms
Hystrix patula (Bottle brushgrass)		X	Rich woods
Cenchrus incertus (Coast Sandbur)		X	Sandy soil
Uvularia grandiflora (Big Merrybells)		X	Rich woods
Tripsacum dactyloides (Eastern Gamagrass)		X	Lowland and prairie
Chenopodium pallescens (Goosefoot)		X	Dry sandy or stony hills
Phaseolus polystachios (Thicket Bean)	X		Dry woods
Montropa uniflora (Indianpipe)		X	Rich woods
Vernonia crinita (Bur Ironweed)		X	Rich lowlands and open woods
Vernonia fasciculata (Western Ironweed)		X	Prairies

R1 - Rare

R2 - Abundant elsewhere but rare in Oklahoma

*Source: Snook and Crockett, 1973

APPENDIX   D

FAUNA OF THE MID-ARKANSAS RIVER BASIN

ABBREVIATIONS

HABITAT

Mammals:

G = Grassland

UF = Upland forest

LF = Lowland forest

U = Ubiquitous in habitat

Birds:

L = Limnic: Generally associated with lakes or ponds

G = Grassland: Open fields prairie, or scrubby vegetation

W = Woodland: Densely vegetated areas of oak-hickory, elm-cottonwood, or
conferous forest

Fishes:

M = Mainstream

I = Impoundment (reservoir or pond)

T = Tributary

Reptiles:

A = Aquatic

B = Brush or shrub vegetated areas

Reptiles:(cont'd)

    P = Prairie grassland or open woods

    R = Roparian or lowlands with moist soil

    S = Sparse or low scanty vegetation

Amphibians:

    T = Terrestrial: Land areas not associated with water

    C = Caves: Inside or near entrances

    R = Running water: Streams and springs

    P = Permanent: Stationary bodies of water

    B = Temporary bodies of water

Naiads:

    G = Gravel

    M = Mud

    S = Sand

OCCURRENCE

    C = Common: Generally abundant throughout the region, occuring in may localities in large numbers

    O = Occasional: Occurs at several localities in small numbers

    R = Rare: Highly localized, restricted in range and abundance

TROPHIC LEVEL

    1 = Primary consumer

    2 = Secondary consumer

    3 = Tertiary consumer

MAMMALS OF THE MID-ARKANSAS RIVER BASIN

NAME	HABITAT	OCCUR-RENCE	TROPHIC LEVEL	DIET
CHIROPTERA				
Myotis lucifugus (Little brown bat)	U	O	2	Small insects (two-winged flies)
Myotis velifer (Cave bat)	U	O	2	Flies, beetles, moths
Myotis grisescens (Gray bat)	U	O	2	"
Myotis solidalis (Indiana bat)	U	R	2	"
Myotis subulatus (Small-footed bat)	U	O	2	Flies, beetles, moths
Lasionycteris noctivagans (Silver-haired bat)	LF	O	2	Insects
Pipistrellus subflavus (Eastern pipistrel)	U	O	2	Flies, small beetles
Lasiurus borealis (Red bat)	UF/LF	C	2	Insects, beetles
Eptesicus fuscus (Big brown bat)	U	O	2	Beetles, moths
Lasiurus cinereus (Hoary bat)	U	O	2	Large beetles and moths
Nysticebus humeralis (Evening bat)	LF	O	2	Insects, moths
Plecotus townsendi (Eastern big-eared bat)	U	R	2	Small insects
Tadarida brasiliensis (Mexican freetail bat)	U	O	2	Insects
CARNIVORA				
Procyon lotor (Raccoon)	HF/LF	C	3	Freshwater turtles, frogs, fish, crayfish, shellfish, vegetable, aquatic animals
Mustela frenata (Longtail weasel)	U	O	3	Rats, mice, moles, small birds and frogs
Mustela vison (Mink)	LF	O	3	Rabbits, small birds and frogs, carrion
Lutra canadensis (River otter)	LF	O	3	Fish, birds, mammals, frogs, vegetables
Spilogale putorius (Spotted skunk)	UF	F	3	Insects, fruit, eggs, small birds, frogs
Mephitis mephitis (Striped skunk)	U	C	3	Insects, snakes, crayfish
Canis latrans (Coyote)	U	C	3	Small rodents, snakes, rabbits, carrion, vegetables and fruit
Vulpes fulva (Red fox)	UF/LF	O	3	Rats, mice and moles, vegetables, grass and fruit

NAME	HABITAT	OCCUR-RENCE	TROPHIC LEVEL	DIET
CARNIVORA (Continued)				
Urocyon cineneoargenteus (Gray fox)	U	C	3	Rats, mice and moles, vegetables, grass and fruit
Lynz rufus (Bobcat)	U	O	3	Mammals, birds
RODENTIA				
Spermorphilus tridecemlineatus (Thirteen striped ground squirrel)	G	R	3	Insects, mice, frogs, eggs, vegetables
Tamias striatus (Eastern chipmunk)	UF	O	1	Seeds, grain, nuts, berries
Sciurus niger (Fox squirrel)	UF/LF	C	2	Birds, insects, eggs, nuts, seeds, berries, bark, sap
Sciurus carolinensis (Gray squirrel)	UF/LF	C	2	Beechmast, nuts, berries, fungi, eggs, small birds, carrion
Glaucomys volans (Flying squirrel)	UF/LF	C	2	Nuts, fruits, leaves, insects, small animals
Geomys bursarius (Plains pocket gopher)	G	C	1	Bulbs, roots, vegetables
Perognathus hispidus (Hispid pocket mouse)	G	C	1	Seeds, grasses
Castor canadensis (Beaver)	LF	C	1	Bark of aspen and willow
Reithrodontomys montanus (Plains harvest mouse)	G	O	1	Seeds, grass
Reithrodontomys fulvescens (Golden harvest mouse)	U	C	1	Seeds, grass
Peromyscus leucopus (White-footed mouse)	UF/LF	C	1	Vegetable, nuts, fruit, berries
Rattus norvegicus (Norway rat)	U	C	2	Little known
Mus musculus (House mouse)	U	C	2	Cereals,

NAME	HABITAT	OCCUR-RENCE	TROPHIC LEVEL	DIET
RODENTIA (Continued)				
Peromyscus maniculatus (Deer mouse)	G	C	1	Vegetables
Peromyscus boylei (Brush mouse)	LF	C	1	Vegetables
Onychomys leucogaster (Grass-hopper mouse)	G	O	3	Grasshoppers, beetles, scorpians, lizards, mice, grass and seed
Neotoma floridana (Eastern wood rat)	UF/LF	C	1	Nuts, berries, herbage
Oryzomys palustris (Rice rat)	G/LF	O	1	Grass, grains
Sigmodon hispidus (Cotton rat)	U	C	2	Grass, sedges, roots, seeds, eggs, insects, fish, crabs
Microtus ochrogaster (Prairie vole)	G	O	1	Grass, vegetables
Microtus pinetorum (Pine vole)	UF/LF	O	1	Grass, vegetables
Ondatra zibethica (Muskrat)	UF/LF	O	3	Water plants, fish, frogs, mussels
Zapus hudsonius (Meadow jumping mouse)	G	O	1	Seeds
LAGOMORPHA				
Lepus californicus (Blacktailed jack-rabbit)	G	O	1	Grass, herbage
Sylvilagus floridanus (Cotton-tail rabbit)	G/LF	C	1	Grass, herbage
Sylvilagus aquaticus (Swamp rabbit)	LF	C	1	Grass, herbage
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Odocoileus virginianus (White-tail deer)	U	C	1	Leaves, herbs, grass

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NAME	HABITAT	OCCUR-RENCE	TROPHIC LEVEL	DIET
EDENTATA				
Dasypus novemcinctus (Armadillo)	U	O	2	Insects
MARSUPIALIA				
Didelphis marsupialis (Opossum)	UF/LF	C	2	Fruit, roots, birds, small mammals, cray-fish, eggs, carrion
INSECTIVORA				
Cryptotis parva (Least shrew)	G	C	2	Insects or other animal matter
Blarina brevicauda (Short-tailed shrew	U	C	2	Insects, earthworms, small molluses,plants
Notiosorex crawfordi (Gray shrew)	LF	R	2	Earthworms, insects, vegetables
Scalopus aquaticus (Eastern mole)	G	C	2	Insects, earthworms, some plants

BIRDS OF THE MID-ARKANSAS RIVER BASIN

NAME	HABITAT	OCCUR-RENCE	TROPHIC LEVEL	DIET
HAWKS, EAGLES, FALCONS AND VULTURES				
Accipiter cooperii (Cooper's hawk)	Open woodland.	O	3	Birds, fish, mammals, insects
Circus cyaneus (Marsh hawk)	Common migrant and WR.	O	3	"
Buteo jamaicensis (Red-tailed hawk)	Open woodland; uplands.	C	3	"
Accipiter striatus (Sharp-shinned hawk)	Open woodland; common migrant and WR	O	3	"
Falco sparverius (Sparrow hawk)		C	3	"
Coragyps atratus (Black vulture)	Possible SR in Kansas; northern limit of range in southeastern Kansas	R	3	Carrion, offal, eggs, seabirds
GROUSE AND QUAIL				
Tympanuchus cupido (Greater prairie chicken)	Prefers bluestem prairies	R	2	Granivorous, grass, insects
Phasianus colchicus (Ring-necked pheasant)	Cultivated areas and brushy vegetation.	R	2	Insects, invertebrates, seeds, berries, leaves
Meleagris gallopavo (Turkey)	More common in Oklahoma; most populations result from recent introductions.	O	3	Vegetable, seeds, insects, crustaceans, amphibians, reptiles
Colinus virginianus (Bobwhite)	Open woodland	C	3	"
Charadrius vociferus (Killdeer)	Chiefly in open areas and around ponds and marshes; rare in winter.	C	3	Animals, invertebrates, vegetable
PIGEONS AND DOVES				
Columba livia (Rock dove)	Generally around buildings in populated areas; introduced.	C	2	Seeds, fruits, berries, buds, vegetable, small snails, invetebrate animals
Zenaidura macroura (Mourning dove)	Inhabits open and edge areas; uncommon in winter.	C	2	"

NAME	HABITAT	OCCUR-RENCE	TROPHIC LEVEL	DIET
CUCKOOS AND ROADRUNNERS				
Geococcyx californianus (Roadrunner)	Scrubby vegetation; only in Oklahoma	O	2	Insects, molluscs, verte-brates, fruits
OWLS				
Typo alva (Barn owl)	Open woodland	O	3	Rodents, insects, earth-worms, crabs, fish, reptiles, birds, mammals
Strix varia (Barred owl)		C	3	"
Bubo virginianus (Great horned owl)		C	3	"
Asio otus (Long-eared owl)		C	3	"
Aegolius acadium (Saw-whet owl)		R	3	"
Otus asio (Screech owl)		C	3	"
Asio flammeus (Short-eared owl)	Marshy and edge hatitats; more numerous in the winter	O	3	"
KINGFISHERS (Piscivorous)				
Megaceryle alcyon (Belted kingfisher)	Nests in holes in bare riverbanks, hillsides; less common in winter	C	2	Crustaceans, aquatic insects, invertebrates, small vertebrates
WOODPECKERS				
Dendrocopos pubescens (Downy woodpecker)	Resident in most woody situations	C	2	Insects, fruits, nuts, sap of trees
Dendrocopos villosus (Hairy woodpecker)		C	2	"
Dryocopus pileatus (Pileated woodpecker)	Southwestern limit of range; prefers extensive forests	R	2	"
Centurus carolinus (Red-bellied wood-pecker)	Western limit of range	C	2	"

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NAME	HABITAT	OCCUR-RENCE	TROPHIC LEVEL	DIET
WOODPECKERS (Continued)				
Melanerpes erythrocephalus (Red-headed woodpecker)	Open woodland; less common in winter	C	2	Insects, fruits, nuts, sap of trees
Colaptes auratus (Yellow-shafted flicker)	Open woodland	C	2	"
LARKS				
Eremophila alpestris (Horned lark)	Most common in croplands with short vegetation	C	2	Vegetables, insects
JAYS AND CROWS				
Cyanocitta cristata (Blue jay)		C	3	Fruits, insects, small animals
Corvus brachyrhynchos (Common crow)	Local populations may increase in winter	C	3	Animals and vegetables
CHICKADEES AND TITMICE				
Parus atricapillus (Black-capped chickadee)	Southern limit of range	C	2	Insects, small invertebrates, seeds
Parus carolinensis (Carolina chickadee)	Northern limit of range	C	2	"
Parus bicolor (Tufted titmouse)	Western limit of range	C	2	"
NUTHATCHES AND CREEPERS				
Sitta carolinensis (White-breated nuthatch)	Found in well-developed forest; prefers oaks	O	3	Insects, spiders, small animals, seeds
WRENS				
Thryothorus ludovicianus (Carolina wren)	Inhabits edge situations; western limit of range	C	2	Insects

NAME	HABITAT	OCCUR-RENCE	TROPHIC LEVEL	DIET
MOCKINGBIRDS AND THRASHERS				
Mimus polyglottos (Mockingbird)	Open woodland	C	2	Invertebrates, fruits
THRUSHES, SOLITAIRES, AND BLUEBIRDS (Frugivorous or insectivorous)				
Sialia sialis	Open woodland; decreasing numbers except locally where bird houses are provided	C	2	Insects, worms, snails
Turdus migratorius (Robin)	Generally moves from populated areas to woods in winter	C	2	Insects
SHRIKES				
Lanius ludovicianus (Loggerhead shrike)	Edge habitat and open country.	C	3	Insects, reptiles
STARLINGS				
Sturnus vulgaris (Starling)	Most common on farmlands and populated areas; introduced	C	2	Fruit, pests
WEAVER FINCHES				
Passer domesticus (House sparrow)	Most numerous in populated or farm areas	C	1	Seeds
BLACKBIRDS AND ORIOLES				
Molothrus ater (Brown-headed cowbird)	Less common in winter	C	2	Insects, fruit
Sturnella magna (Eastern meadowlark)	Prefers wetter fields than next species	C	2	"
Agelaius phoeniceus (Red-winged blackbird)	Principally around wet fields or marshes	C	2	"
Sturnella neglecta (Western meadowlark)	Local in upland fields	O	2	"

NAME	HABITAT	OCCUR-RENCE	TROPHIC LEVEL	DIET
GROSBEAKS, FINCHES, SPARROWS, AND BUNTINGS				
<u>Spinus tristis</u> (American goldfinch)	Woodland edge inhabitant	C	2	Seeds and insects
<u>Richmondena cardinalis</u> (Cardinal)	Prefers dense shrubby areas	C	3	70% vegetable matter, such as seeds, berries; 30% insects spiders, small invertebrates
<u>Pipilo erythrophthalmus</u> (Rufous-sided sparrow)		O	2	Seeds, wild fruit, and insects

SUMMER RESIDENTS

NAME	HABITAT	OCCUR-RENCE	TROPHIC LEVEL	DIET
GREBES				
<u>Podlymbus podiceps</u> (Pied-billed grebe)	Common migrant	O	3	Small fish, crayfish, insect (1:1:2)
<u>Phalacrocorax auritus</u> (Cormorants)	Southern limit of range	O	3	Fish (90%), amphibians, crustaceans
HERONS				
<u>Botaurus lentiginosus</u> (American bittern)	Near marshes	O	3	Fish, amphibians, crustaceans, mollusks and insects
<u>Ixobrychus exilis</u> (Least bittern)	Marshes	O	3	Small fish, amphibians, insects, leeches
<u>Bubulcus ibis</u> (Cattle egret)	Generally around praries, marshes and mud flats, recently naturalized	O	3	Insects, small fish, small mammals, spiders, a few ticks and earth worms
<u>Casmerodius albus</u> (Common egret)	Local; near streams and marshes. Western limit of range in eastern Kansas and Oklahoma	O	3	All kinds of aquatic animals, snakes

NAME	HABITAT	OCCUR-RENCE	TROPHIC LEVEL	DIET
HERONS (Continued)				
Leueophoyx thula (Snowy egret)	Northern limit of range	O	3	Fish, insects
Nycticorax nycticorax (Black-crowned night heron)		O	3	"
Ardea herodias (Great blue heron)	Permanent resident of Oklahoma	C	3	Fish, amphibians, snakes leeches
Butorides virescens (Green heron)	May only be late summer and fall wanderers in Kansas	O	3	Fish, reptiles, amphibians
Hydranassa tricolor (Louisiana heron)	Postbreeding visitant only	R	3	Small marine fish, grasshoppers
Nyctanassa violacea (Yellow-crowned night heron)	Also found in riparian habitat.	O	2	Same as most herons
Plegadis chihi (White-faced ibis)	Near marshes	O	3	Crayfish, insects, amphibians, worms, mollusks, and some fish
SURFACE DUCKS				
Anas discors (Blue-winged teal)		O	2	Aquatic plants, grasses, rice, corn and 30% animal matter
Anas fulvigula (Mottled duck)		R	2	"
Aix sponsa (Wood duck)	Nests in trees in wooded ponds and streams; western limit of range	O	1	Tree and shrub seeds, grasses, aquatic plants
HAWKS, EAGLES, FALCONS, AND VULTURES				
Buteo platypterus (Broad-winged hawk)	Found in riparian habitats; western limit of range	O	3	Large insects, frogs, toads, reptiles, some rice

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NAME	HABITAT	OCCUR-RENCE	TROPHIC LEVEL	DIET
HAWKS, EAGLES, FALCONS, AND VULTURES (Cont.)				
Buteo lineatus (Red-shouldered hawk)		O	3	Frogs, snakes, crayfish, large insects, mice and shrews
Buteo swainsoni (Swainson's hawk)		O	3	Large insect, grasshopper some mammals and other vertegrate
Ictinia misisippiensis (Mississippi kite)	Feeds over grassland and nests in trees along streams or shelter belts; may be locally common	O	3	Large insects, such as dragonflies and grass-hoppers
Cathartes aura (Turkey vulture)	Forages in fields	C	3	Carrion, small living animals
RAILS				
Laterallus jamaicensis (Black rail)	Occurrence is local	R	2	Insects and some seeds of plants, isopods
Rallus elegans (King rail)	Rare WR	O	2	Invertegrates (crayfish, insects, leech, worms, slug) and some plant food
Gallinula chloropus (Common gallinule)	Found in marshy areas	O	2	Underwater plants, grass, herbs, seeds and berries some insects, snails, worms
Porphyrula martinica (Purple gallinule)	Northern limit of range	R	3	Rice, grain, seeds and insects, mollusks, amphibians
SANDPIPERS				
Actitis marcularia (Spotted sandpiper)		C	3	Animal matters (mainly aquatic insects, small crustaceans, fish)

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NAME	HABITAT	OCCUR-RENCE	TROPHIC LEVEL	DIET
GULLS AND TERNS				
Sterna albigrons (Least Tern)	Nests primarily on sandbars	O	3	Crustaceans, worms, fish, and mollusks
CUCKOOS AND ROADRUNNERS				
Coccyzus americanus (Yellow-billed cuckoo)		C	2	Almost entirely insects
GOATSUCKERS				
Caprimulgus carolinensis (Chuck-will's widow)		C	2	Moths, grasshoppers, ants, and other insects
Chordeiles minor (Common nighthawk)	Often in population areas in fields	C	2	Entirely insects caught on the wing
Phalaenoptilus nuttallii (Poor-will)	Only in zeric, ricky scrubland; eastern limit of range	R	2	Moths, beetles, chinch bugs, locusts and other insects
Caprimulgus vociferus (Whip-poor-will)		C	2	Moths, grasshoppers, ants, and other insects
S W I F T S AND HUMMINGBIRDS				
Chaetura pelagica (Chimney swift)	Often in populated areas	C	2	All kinds of small flying insects
Archilochus colubris (Ruby-throated hummingbird)	Western limit of range	O	2	Nectar of flowers and tiny insects
FLYCATCHERS				
Empidonax virescens (Acadian flycatcher)	Riparian forest; western limit of range	O	3	Almost entirely insects and spiders

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NAME	HABITAT	OCCUR-RENCE	TROPHIC LEVEL	DIET
FLYCATCHERS (Continued)				
Tyrannus tyrannus (Eastern kingbird)	Open woodlands	C	2	Mainly insects, 10% fruits and seeds
Sayornis phoebe (Eastern phoebe)	Common around bridges and culverts	C	3	Insects and spiders
Contopus virens (Eastern wood pewee)		C	3	"
Myiarchus crinitus (Great crested flycatcher)	Western limit of range	C	2	90% insects and 10% small wild fruits
Sayornis saya (Say phoebe)		R	2	Insects
Muscivora forficata (Scissor-tailed flycatcher)	Eastern and northern limit of range	C	2	Insects
SWALLOWS				
Progne subis (Purple martin)	Mainly urban areas in birdhouses	C	2	Insects
Riparia riparia (Bank swallow)	Riparian; usually nests in high, cut banks	C	2	Insects
Hirundo rustica (Barn swallow)	Often in populated areas	C	2	Insects caught in air
Steogidopteryx ruficollis (Rough-winged swallow)		C	2	"
WRENS				
Thryomanes bewickii (Bewick's wren)	Rare WR	O	3	Insects and spiders
Troglodytes aedon (House wren)	Common in urban areas	C	3	Grasshopper, beetle, bugs, spiders and other small invertebrates

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NAME	HABITAT	OCCUR-RENCE	TROPHIC LEVEL	DIET
MOCKINGBIRDS AND THRASHERS				
Toxostoma rufum (Brown thrasher)	Rare WR	C	2	60% animal matter (insects and few invertebrates), and fruits, nuts, seeds
Dumetella carolinensis (Catbird)		C	3	55% vegetable matter and insects, spiders
THRUSHES, SOLITAIRES, AND BLUEBIRDS				
Hylocichla mustelina (Wood thrush)	Western limit of range; inhabits mature shady forests	C	2	Insects, worms, small invertebrates; 30% plant food
GNATCATCHERS				
Polioptila cacrulea (Blue-gray gnatcatcher)		C	2	Almost all insects
VIREOS				
Vireo gilvus (Warbling vireo)	Riparian forest and farmyards with tall open-spaced trees	C	3	Insects, a few spider
Vireo griseus (White-eyed vireo)	Local; few found west of eastern Kansas and Oklahoma	C	3	Insects, spiders, and small invertebrates
Vireo flavifrons (Yellow-throated vireo)		O	2	Insects
WARBLERS				
Mniotilta varia (Black and white warbler)	Western limit of range	O	2	Insects
Dendroica cerulea (Cerulean warbler)	Western limit of range	O	2	Insects
Wilsonia citrina (Hooded warbler)	Riparian, heavy forest	R	2	Insects
Oporonis formosus (Kentucky warbler)		O	2	Insects and some berries

NAME	HABITAT	OCCUR-RENCE	TROPHIC LEVEL	DIET
WARBLERS (Continued)				
Parula americana (Parula warbler)	Western limit of range	C	3	Insects, larvae and eggs, spiders
Dendroica discolor (Prairie warbler)	Western limit of range	O	3	Insects and few spiders
Protonotaria citrea (Prothonotary bler)	Riparian; western limit of range	O	3	Insects, spiders, small invertebrates
Limnothlypis swainsonii (Swainson's warbler)	Riparian; northern and western limit of range	R	3	Insects, spiders
Geothlypis trichas (Yellowthroat)	Riparian; northern and western limit of range	R	3	Insects, spiders
Dendroica dominica (Yellow-throated warbler)	Limited to Neosho drainage in SE Kansas; western limit of range	R	2	Mainly insects
Seiurus motacilla (Louisiana water-thrush)	Riparian	C	3	Insects, spiders, invertebrate, few seeds
Setophaga ruticilla (American redstart)		O	3	Insects, seeds, berries, few spiders, invertebrates
Icteria virens (Yellow-breated chat)		C	2	Insects, berries and wild fruit
BLACKBIRDS AND ORIOLES				
Quiscalus quiscula (Common grackle)	Generally in edge habitat; some winter records in Kansas and Oklahoma	C	2	Omnivorous, plants and animal matter
Icterus glabula (Baltimore oriole)		C	2	80% insects, small invertebrates, fruit, berries, nectar

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NAME	HABITAT	OCCUR-RENCE	TROPHIC LEVEL	DIET
TANAGERS				
Piranga olivacea (Scarlet tanager)	Western limit of range	O	2	85% insects and inverte-brates, 15% berries, seeds
Piranga rubra (Summer tanager)	Western limit of range	C	2	Insects, invertebrates, berries, seeds .
GROSBEAKS, FINCHES, SPARROWS, AND BUNTINGS				
Passerina cyanea (Indigo bunting)	Along wooded margins	C	2	Seeds, grains, vegetable matter, and insects in the summer
Calamospiza melanocorys (Lark butning)	Eastern limit of range; prairies	R	2	Weed, seeds, grains and insects
Passerina ciris (Painted bunting)	Edge habitat; northern limit of range	O	2	Seeds and insects
Spiza americana (Dickcissel)	Woodland-grassland edge	C	2	Seeds, grains, and insects
Guiraca caerulea (Blue grosbeak)	Edge and scrub habitat	R	2	Seeds, wild berries, and fruit
Pheucticus ludovicianus (Rose-breated grosbeak)	Very rare west of Neosho River Basin	R	3	Insects, spiders, and wild seeds, fruits
Spizella pusilla (Field sparrow)	Edge habitat: PR in Oklahoma, rare WR in Kansas	C	2	Seeds and 40% insects in summer
Ammodramus savannarum (Grasshopper sparrow)		C	2	Seeds and insects
Passerherbulus henslowii (Henslow's sparrow)	Rare in Oklahoma; western limit of range	O	2	Seeds and insects
Chondestes grammacus (Lark sparrow)	Edge and scattered scrub	C	2	Weed,grass,seeds,grain and grasshoppers and insects
Aimophila ruficops (Rufous-crowned sparrow)	Rough country and high weeds; found in Grand River Basin only in Cherokee County, Oklahoma	R	2	Seeds and some insects

NAME	HABITAT	OCCUR- RENCE	TROPHIC LEVEL	DIET
	WINTER RESIDENTS			
GEESE				
Branta canadensis (Canada goose)	Local SR. Found on large reservoirs and in croplands	C	2	Aquatic plants, grain, grass, and some small invertebrates
SURFACE DUCKS				
Anas rubripes (Black duck)	Local PR; numbers increasing but variable	C	3	75% vegetable matter (aquatic plants, grass) 25% animal matter (insects, small fish)
Anas platyrhynchos (Mallard)	Local PR; numbers increasing but variable	C	2	Aquatic vegetation, grains grass, berries, acorns, and some insects, mollusks
DIVING DUCKS				
Mergus merganser (Common merganser)		C	2	Fish and some mollusks, insects, aquatic plants
HAWKS, EAGLES, FALCONS, AND VULTURES				
Accipiter gentilis (Goshawk)	Present only in some winters	R	3	60% of birds and 0% mammals
Buteo harlani (Harlan's hawk)		O	3	80% mammals (rodents) and some birds, insects
Buteo lagopus (Rough-legged hawk)		O	3	Rodents, mice
Haliaeetus leucocephalus (Bald eagle)	Most common near impoundments	O	3	Fish major, rodents, ducks coots
Falco peregrinus (Peregrine falcon)	Usually around marshes; nearly extinct in central and eastern North America	R	3	50% birds, and mammals, some insects

NAME	HABITAT	OCCUR-RENCE	TROPHIC LEVEL	DIET
OWLS				
Nyctea scandiaca (Snowy owl)	Open country habitat – some but not most winters	R	3	Lemmingo, some rodents, rabbits, squirrels
NUTHATCHES AND CREEPERS				
Certhia familiaris (Brown creeper)		C	3	Insects, spiders, and small invertebrates
WRENS				
Troglodytes troglodytes (Winter wren)	Local in heavy cover	R	3	Beetles, spiders, ants and other insects
THRUSHES, SOLITAIRES, AND BLUEBIRDS				
Myadestes townsendi (Townsend's solitaire)	Edge habitat; not present most winters	R	2	Wild fruit, seeds, and insects
Sialia currucoides (Mountain bluebird)	Open woodland; generally a casual stray	R	2	Flowers, berries, fruits, insects and invertebrates
WAXWINGS				
Bombycilla cedrorum (Cedar waxwing)	Rare in Kansas SR	R	2	80% berries, fruits, flowers, and 20% insects
BLACKBIRDS AND ORIOLES				
Euphagus cyanocephalus (Brewer's blackbird)		O	2	Omnivorous
GROSBEAKS, FINCHES, SPARROWS, AND BUNTINGS				
Loxia curvirostra (Red crossbill)		O	1	Seeds, conifers
Loxia leucoptera (White-winged crossbill)		R	2	Seeds of coniferous trees, berries, fruits and some insects

NAME	HABITAT	OCCUR-RENCE	TROPHIC LEVEL	DIET
GROSBEAK, FINCHES, SPARROWS, AND BUNTINGS (Continued)				
Calcarins ornatus (Chestnut-collared longspur		O	2	Weed seeds, grass seeds and 80% insects in summer
Calcarius lapponicus (Lapland longspur)	Irregular	C	2	Most seeds and some insects in summer
Calcarius pictus (Smith's longspur)	Irregular	R	2	"
Acanthis flammea (Common redpoll)		R	2	"
Hesperiphona vespertina (Evening grosbeak)	Irregular	O	1	Seeds and leaves
Spinus pinus (Pine siskin)	Irregular SR in Kansas and and Oklahoma	O	2	Seeds and insects
Junco hyemalis (Slate-colored junco)	Open woodland and fields	C	2	"
Passerella iliaca (Fox sparrow)		C	2	Seeds and insects in summer
Zonotrichia querula (Harris' sparrow)		C	2	Seeds and insects, small invertebrates
Melospize melodia (Song sparrow)	Riparian; possible local SR	C	2	Mainly grasses, seeds and insects
Spizella arborea (Tree sparrow)		C	2	"
Zonotrichia leucophrys (White-crowned sparrow)		C	2	Seeds and insects, mainly seeds for winters
LOONS				
Gavia immer (Common loon)		O	3	Mainly fish and crustaceans mullusks, insects and some aquatic plants

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NAME	HABITAT	OCCUR-RENCE	TROPHIC LEVEL	DIET
GREBES				
Podiceps caspicus (Eared grebe)		O	2	90% of both land and aquatic insects and invertebrates
Podiceps auritus (Horned grebe)		O	3	99% of aquatic animals
PELICAN				
Pelecanus erythrorhynchos (White pelican)		C	3	Mainly fish
SWANS				
Olor columbianus (Whistling swan)	Rare now, formerly common	R	1	Aquatic plants (major) and some grasses
GEESE				
Chen caerulescens (Blue goose)		C	1	Waterweeds, grain, grass, sedges
Anser albifrons (White-fronted goose)		O	2	Nuts, grain, berries, leaves and some aquatic insects
SURFACE DUCKS				
Mareca americana (American widgeon)	Also WR	C	2	Aquatic plants, grass and some insects, mollusks
Anas cyanoptera (Cinnamon teal)		R	2	Same as Pintail
Anas strepera (Gadwell)	Also WR; occasional SR in the northern part of the Basin	C	2	Aquatic plants, grass, grains, nuts and 10% of animal matter

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NAME	HABITAT	OCCUR-RENCE	TROPHIC LEVEL	DIET
SURFACE DUCKS (Continued)				
Anas acuta (Pintail)	Also WR; occasional SR in the northern part of the Basin	C	2	Aquatic plants, grass, weeds, and some insects, mollusks
Spatula clypeata (Shoveler)		C	2	"
BAY AND SEA DUCKS				
Bucephala albeola (Bufflehead)	Also WR	O	3	80% of insects, crustaceans, mollusks, fish and rest of aquatic plants
Aythya valisineria (Canvasback)	Sometimes a WR in Oklahoma	O	3	80% vegetables (aquatic plants) and some fish, insects
Bucephala clangula (Common goldeneye)	Also WR	O	3	Mainly animal, fish, insects, and mollusks
Aythya marila (Greater scaup)		R	2	50% vegetables (aquatic plants, grasses) and 50% animal (insect, mollucks, crustaceans)
Aythya affinis (Lesser scaup)	Also WR in Kansas and Oklahoma	C	2	More vegetarian than greater scaup
Clangula hyemalis (Oldsquaw)	Rare WV	R	3	Mainly animal matter (insects, mullocks, fish)
Aythya collaris (Ring-necked duck)	Also WR in Kansas	O	2	80% vegetation (aquatic plants, grass) and some insects, mollusks
Aythya americana (Redhead)	Rare WR; rarely breeds locally in Kansas	O	2	Mostly vegetables, seeds, grass, aquatic plants

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BAY AND SEA DUCKS (Continued)				
Melanitta perspicillata (Surf scoter)		R	2	60% Mollusks, and some vegetable matter
Melanitta deglandi (White-winged scoter)	Unusual	R	2	Mollusks, oysters, clams insects and small amount of plant
DIVING DUCKS				
Lophydytes cucullatus (Hooded merganser)	Rare WV	O	3	Mainly animal food (fish, amphibians, crustacenas, insects); some vegetable matter (grain, grasses, weeds)
Mergus serrator (Red-breasted merganser)		O	3	Fish, mollucks, crustaceans, and aquatic insects
Oxyura jamaicensis (Ruddy duck)	Local SR in Kansas; WV in Oklahoma	C	2	75% vegetable food (weeds, sedges, grass) 25% insects, shellfish
HAWKS, EAGLES, FALCONS, AND VULTURES				
Pandion haliaetus (Osprey)	Irregular	O	3	Fish, some vertebrates, offal
Falco columbarius (Pigeon hawk)	Open woodland; rare WR	O	3	60% small birds, and some insects, small animals
Falco mexicanus (Prairie falcon)	Rare WV	R	3	Some mammals, insects
CRANES				
Crus canadensis (Sandhill crane)	Open fields and marshes	R	3	Roots, seeds, grain and worm, insects, fish, amphibians, reptiles

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CRANES (Continued)				
Crus americana (Whooping crane)	Principal migration route over central Kansas and Oklahoma.	R	3	Animal matter and some plant food
RAILS AND COOTS				
Fulica americana (American coot)	Irregularly winters and/or nests in Kansas and Oklahoma.	C	3	Vegetable matter, fish, tadpoles, snails, worms and crustaceans
Porzana carolina (Sora)	Local SR in Kansas	O	2	Seeds of aquatic plants, mollusks, worms, insects
Rallus limicola (Virginia rail)	Local SR in Kansas	O	3	Worms, aquatic insects, slugs, mollusks, amphibians, small fish and some seeds
Coturnicops noveboracensis (Yellow rail)	Found around marshes.	R	2	small snails
PLOVERS AND TURNSTONE				
Pluvialis dominica (American golden plover)	Open fields and plowed ground; rarely lemnic	C	2	Insects, major worms, crustaceans, mollusks
Squatarola aquatarola (Black-bellied plover)	Shorelines and mudflats.	O	2	"
Charadrius semipalmatus (Semipalmated plover)		C	2	Small crustaceans, mollusks, insects, worms
Arenaria interpres (Ruddy Turnstone)	Along stony and pebbly shorelines	O	2	small mollusks
WOODCOCKS AND SNIPES				
Philohela minor (American woodcock)	Riparian and forest; rare SR in Kansas and Oklahoma.	O	2	Earthworms, insect larvae and some seed

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NAME	HABITAT	OCCUR-RENCE	TROPHIC LEVEL	DIET
WOODCOCKS AND SNIPES (Continued)				
Capella galinago (Common snipe)	Occasional WR	O	2	Insects, aquatic forms, larvae, crustaceans, worms snail
SANDPIPERS				
Numenius borealia (Eskimo Curlew)	Formerly a spring transient; nearly extinct	R	2	Berries and insects
Numenius americanus (Long-billed curlew)	More common in spring than fall.	O	3	Insects, worms, toads, crustaceans
Limodromus scolopaceus (Long-billed dowitcher)	Shorelines and mudflats.	C	2	Aquatic insects, larvae marine animals
Limnodromus griseus (Short-billed dowitcher)	Shorelines and mudflats.	R	2	Insects, marine animals and some seeds
Limosa Haemastica (Hudsonian godwit)	Shorelines and mudflats.	C	2	Insects, worms, small crustaceans, small mollusks
Limosa Fedora (Marbled godwit)	Shorelines and mudflats.	O	2	Aquatic food, mollusks, insects, worms
Totanus melanoleucus (Greater yellowlegs)	Shorelines and mudflats	C	3	Small fish, insects, worms
Totanus flavipes (Lesser yellowlegs)	Shorelines and mudflats.	C	3	Insects, small crustaceans, small fish and worms
Erolia alpina (Dunlin)	Shorelines and mudflats	O	2	Small mollusks, insects, crustaceans and some other plants
Calidris canutus (Knot)	Sandy shorelines	R	2	"

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NAME	HABITAT	OCCUR-RENCE	TROPHIC LEVEL	DIET
SANDPIPERS (Continued)				
Crocethia alba (Sanderling)	Sandy shorelines and bars.	O	2	Small crustaceans, insects worms, and some invertebrate
Bartramia longicauda (Upland plover)	Abundant in the Flint hills where it is a summer resident.	C	2	Animal matter (insects) seeds
Catoptrophorus semipalmatus (Willet)	Shorelines, meadows, and mudflats.	O	2	Insects, small marine animals and some vegetable matter
Steganopus tricolor (Wilson't phalarope)	Southern limit of breeding range.	C	2	Insects, crustaceans, aquatic plants seeds
Erolia bairdii (Baird's sandpiper)	Shorelines and mudflats.	C	2	Insects, small crustaceans
Trynigites subruficollis (Buff-breasted sandpiper)	Often in alfalfa fields.	O	2	Insects, few seeds
Erolia minutilla (Least sandpiper)	Shorelines, mudflats, and wet meadows.	C	2	Insects and crustaceans
Erolia melanotos (Pectoral sandpiper)	Shorelines, mudflats, and wet meadows.	C	2	Insects and crustaceans
Ereunetes pusillus (Semipalmated sandpiper)	Sandy shorelines and mudflats	C	2	Insects, small marine animals
Tringa solitaria (Solitary sandpiper)	Wet meadows, ponds and mud.	C	2	Aquatic insects, small crustaceans
Micropalama himantopus (Stilt sandpiper)	Shorelines and mudflats	C	2	Insects, aquatic animals 30-10 vegetable matter
Erolia fuscicollis (White-rumped sandpiper)	Shorelines and mudflats	C	2	Insects, small mature animals

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GULLS AND TERNS				
Larus philadelphia (Bonaparte's gull)		R	2	Insects, worms and some invertebrates
Larus pipixcan (Franklin's gull)	Near water, and especially plowed fields	C	2	Mostly insects, worms and some invertebrates
Larus argentatus (Herring gull)	Around Lakes	O	2	Marine animals, small mammals, vertebrates
Larus delawarensis (Ring-billed gull)	Usually near water or plowed fields	O	3	Insects, worms, fish and small mammals
Chlidonias niger (Black tern)	More common in central Kansas and Oklahoma	C	3	Aquatic insects, spiders, leeches, small fish and frogs
Hydroprogne caspia (Caspian tern)		O	3	Fish, worms
Sterna hirundo (Common tern)		O	3	Small fish, insects, and small marine invertebrates
Sterna forsteri (Forster's tern)	Local SR	C	3	Insects, fish, mollusks
OWLS				
Speotyto cunicularia (Burrowing owl)		R	3	Insects, small mammals, rodents
CUCKOOS AND ROADRUNNERS				
Coccyzus erythropthalmus (Black-billed cuckoo)	Rare SR	O	2	Insects
WOODPECKERS				
Sphyrapicus varius (Yellow-billed sapsucker)	Local SR	O	2	Berries, fruits, insects

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NAME	HABITAT	OCCUR-RENCE	TROPHIC LEVEL	DIET
FLYCATCHERS				
Empidonax minimus (Least flycatcher)	Open woodlands	C	3	Insects, spiders
Epidonas traillii (Traill's flycatcher)	Riparian and forest edge	O	2	Insects
Empidonas flaviventris (Yellow-bellied flycatcher		O	3	97% insects, spiders; 3% berries, seeds
Contopus sordidulus (Western weed pewee)	Open woodlands; probably only in Kansas and Oklahoma	R	2	Insects
SWALLOWS				
Petrochelidon pyrrhonota (Cliff swallow)	Usually near water, cultivated fields and pasture-land; local SR	C	3	Insects and spiders, a few berries
Iridoprocne bicolor (Tree swallow)	Often near water and open fields	C	2	80% insects and some vegetable food
NUTHATCHES AND CREEPERS				
Sitta canadensis (Red-breasted nuthatch)	Local WR; prefers conifers	O	3	Pine seeds, insects and spiders, fruits, nuts
WRENS				
Telmatodytes paluscris (Long-billed marsh wren)	Occasional WR in Oklahoma	O	2	Mostly insects and a few fruits
Cistothorus platensis	Local SR in Kansas	R	2	"
THRUSHES AND BLUEBIRDS				
Hylocichla minima (Grey cheeked thrush)		C	2	75% insects and invertebrates, 25% plant food such as seeds and berries

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THRUSHES AND BLUEBIRDS (Continued)				
Hylocichla guttata (Hermit thrush)		O	3	65% insects, spiders, snails, 35% vegetable food
Hylocichla ustulata (Swainson's thrush)		C	2	50% animal matter (insects, etc.), and 50% rest of vegetable food (seed, berries)
Hylocichla fuscescens (Veery)	Generally rare in Kansas	O	2	60% animal matter, 40% vegetable food
WAXWINGS				
Bombycilla garrulus (Bohemian waxwing)	Edge habitat; WV; southern limit of winter range	R	2	Insects in summer and berries in winter
KINGLETS				
Regulus satrapa (Golden-crowned kinglet)	Uncommon WR	C	2	Insects, invertebrates, and few berries, seeds
Regulus calendula (Ruby-crowned kinglet)	Usually in woodland edges; rare WR	C	2	Little known
PIPITS				
Anthus spragueii (Sprague's pipit)	Open country	O	2	Insects
Anthus spinoletta (Water pipit)	Open country	O	2	Insects

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NAME	HABITAT	OCCUR-RENCE	TROPHIC LEVEL	DIET
VIREOS				
Vireo philadelphicus (Philadelphis vireo)		O	3	Insects, spiders, small vertebrates, berries (10%)
Vireo solitarius (Solitary vireo)		O	3	95% insects, spiders, small vertebrates; 5% berries
WARBLERS				
Dendroica auduboni (Audubon's warbler)		O	3	85% insects and spiders, 15% vegetable food
Dendroica castanea (Bay-breasted warbler)		O	3	Insects and some spiders
Dendroica fusca (Blackburnian warbler)		O	3	Mostly insects and a few spiders, berries
Dendroica striata (Blackpoll warbler)		C	3	"
Dendroica virens (Blackthroated green warbler)		O	3	"
Vermivora pinu (Blue-winged warbler)	Probably SR in Kansas and Missouri	O	3	Insects and spiders
Wilsonia canadensis (Canada warbler)		O	2	Almost all insects
Dendroica tigrina (Cape May warbler)		R	2	Mostly insects and some fruit
Dendroica pensylvanica (Chestnut-sided warbler)		O	2	Insects and seeds
Oporonis agilis (Connecticut warbler)		O	3	Insects and spiders, fruit
Vermivora chrysoptera (Golden-winged warbler)	Observed only in spring	R	2	Insects

WARBLERS (Continued)

NAME	HABITAT	OCCUR-RENCE	TROPHIC LEVEL	DIET
Oporonis tolmiei (MacGillivrey's warbler)		R	2	Insects major
Dendroica magnolia (Magnolia warbler)		O	3	Insects, spiders and some small invertebrates
Oporonis philadelphia (Mourning warbler)		C	2	Mainly insects and some vegetable matter
Dendroica coronata (Myrtle warbler)	Rare WR	C	2	Insects, seeds, berries and other fruits
Vermivora ruficapilla (Nashville warbler		C	2	Insects, some invertebrate
Vermivora celeta (Orange-crowned warbler)	Occasional WR in Kansas	C	2	Mainly insects
Dendroica palmarum (Palm warbler		O	3	Insects, spiders and some invertebrates
Dendroica pinus (Pine warbler)	PR in Cherokee County, Oklahoma	O	3	Insects, spiders, pine, seeds berries and fruits
Vermivora peregrina (Tennessee Warbler)		C	2	Insects, some small invertebrate, fruit, seeds
Wilsonia pusilla (Wilson's warbler)		C	2	Insects, flower parts
Helmitheros vermivorus (Worm-eating warbler)	Possible Sr	R	2	Insects mainly
Seiurus noveboracensis (Northern waterthrush)	Generally in wet woodlands	O	2	Insects, worms, small invertebrates, some seeds
Seiurus aurocapillus (Ovenbird)	Possibly rare SR in Kansas	O	2	Insects, snails, worms, invertebrates, seeds berries fruit

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BLACKBIRDS AND ORIOLES				
Euphagus carolinus (Rusty blackbird)	Wooded swamps; local Wr	C	2	Insects, invertebrates weed seeds, fruit vegetable matter
Xanthocephalus xanthocephalus (Yellow-headed blackbird)	Inhabits fields and marshes; often around cattails, local SR in Kansas.	O	2	Grain, seeds, and some insects, small invertebrates
GROSBEAKS, FINCHES, SPARROWS, AND BUNTINGS				
Carpodacus purpureus (Purple Finch)	WV	O	3	Seeds, plants, insects, spiders and other small invertebrates
Ammodramus bairdii (Baird's sparrow)		R	2	Seeds and some insects
Spizella passerina (Chipping sparrow)	Principally in towns, rare, local SR	C	2	Seeds, insects, seeds
Passerherbulus caudacutus (LeConte's sparrow)	Local WR	C	2	Seeds, insects
Melospiza lincolnii (Lincoln's sparrow)	Uncommon WR	C	2	Insects, small invertebrates seeds, weeds
Passervulus sanwichensis (Savannah sparrow)	Rare WR	C	2	Grass, seeds, insects, small invertebrates
Ammospiza caudacuta (Sharp-tailed sparrow)	Riparian edge	R	3	Insects, spiders, small invertebrates, snails, weeds, seeds
Zonotrichia albiocollis (White-throated sparrow)	Rare WR	C	2	Weeds, seeds, insects
Melosipza georgiana (Swamp Sparrow)	Riparian: occasional WR	C	2	Insects, seeds

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APPENDIX D-3

FISHES OF THE MID-ARKANSAS RIVER BASIN

NAME	HABITAT	OCCUR-RENCE	TROPHIC LEVEL	DIET
FISHES				
Polyodon spathula (Paddlefish)	I/M	C	2	Aquatic plants
Lepisosteus osseus (Longnose gar)	M/T	C	3	Other fishes
Lepisosteus platostoma (Shortnose gar)	M	C	3	"
Lepisosteus oculatus (Spotted gar)	M/I	O	3	"
Anguilla rostrata (American eel)	M/T:Probably no longer present in MID-ARK Region. Dams impede migrations.	R	3	"
Dorosoma cepedianum (Gizzard shad)	I/M:Widely distributed	C	2	Crustaceans, fry of fish
Dorosoma petenense (Threadfin shad)	I/M	R	2	"
Esox lucius (Northern pike)	I: Introduced to reservoir	O	3	Other fishes
Hiodon alosoides (Goldeye)	M/I	R	2	Planktonic organisms
Cyprinus carpio (Carp)	I/M/T: Introduced	C	2	Molluses
Hybopsis amblops (Bigeye chub)	T: Western limit of range	C	2	Aquatic insect and planktonic organisms
Semotilus atromaculatus (Creek chub)	T	R	2	"
Hybopsis x-punctata (Gravel chub)	M: Western limit or range	R	2	Little known
Nocomis bigutattus (Hornyhead chub)	T: Declinning in numbers	O	2	Aquatic animals, plant
Hybopsis storeriana (Silver chub)	M: Mainly in large rivers with sandy bottoms.	R	2	Little known
Phoxinus erythrogaster (Southern redbelly dace)	T: Small streams; pools.	R	2	Siatom, algae other vegetation
Carassius auratus (Goldfish)	I/T: Introduced	R	2	Shrimp

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NAME	HABITAT	OCCUR-RENCE	TROPHIC LEVEL	DIET
FISHES (Continued)				
Pimephales notatus (Bluntnose minnow)	T	C	2	Algae, small animal
Pimephales vigilax (Bullhead minnow)	M	R	2	Algae, snail, other small animals
Pimophales promelas (Fathead minnow)	T	O	2	Vegetation, adults eat animal, insects too
Hybognathus placitus (Plains minnow)	M: Large sandy rivers	R	2	"
Pimephales tenellus (Slim minnow)	T: High-gradient streams	R	2	"
Notrophis boops (Bigeye shiner)	T: High-gradient streams	C	2	"
Notrophis camurus (Bluntface shiner)	T: High-gradient streams	O	2	"
Notropis pilsbryi (Duckystripe shiner)	T: Western limit of range	O	2	"
Notropis atherinoides (Emerald shiner)	M: Large, sandy rivers	R	2	Plankton
Notropis buchanani (Ghost shiner)	M	O	2	"
Notemigonus crysoleucas (Golden shiner)	T/I: Common in impoundments	O	2	Algae, plants, and entomostracans
Notropis volucellus (Mimic shiner)	T	O	2	Dipteran, amphipod
Notropis lutrensis (Red shiner)	M/T/I	C	2	"
Notropis umbratilis (Redfin shiner)	T	C	2	Algae, insects
Notropis rubellus (Rosyface shiner)	T	O	2	

NAME	HABITAT	OCCUR-RENCE	TROPHIC LEVEL	DIET
FISHES (Continued)				
Notropis stramineus (Sand shiner)	T: Western limit of range	0	2	"
Notropis spilopterus (Spotfin shiner)	Western limit of range	0	2	"
Notropis whipplei (Steelcolor shiner)	M: Western limit of range	R	2	"
Notropis chrysocephalus (Striped shiner)	T: Western limit of range	R	2	"
Notropis topeka (Topeka shiner)	T: Southern limit of range	R	2	Little known
Campostoma anomalum (Stoneroller)	T	C	2	Plant Materials
Ictiobus cyprinellus (Bigmouth buffalo)	M/T	C	2	Insect, vegetation
Ictiobus niger (Black buffalo)	M/I	C	2	"
Ictiobus bubalus (Smallmouth buffalo)	M/I	C	2	"
Carpiodes velifer (Highfin carpsucker)	M/I: Last record, in Kansas, 1958	R	2	"
Carpiodes carpio (River carpsucker)	M/T/I	C	2	Invertebrates
Hypentelium nigricans (Northern hog sucker)	T: Western limit of range	0	2	"
Moxostoma duguesnei (Black redhorse)	T: Western limit of range	C	2	"
Moxostoma erythrurum (Golden redhorse)	T/M	C	2	"
Moxostoma macrolepidotum (Northern redhorse)	T/M	C	2	Insect & animals

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NAME	HABITAT		OCCUR-RENCE	TROPHIC LEVEL	DIET
FISHES (Continued					
Moxostoma carinatum (River redhorse)	T:	No recent records	R	2	"
Cycleptus elongatus (Blue sucker)	M:	Western limit of range	R	2	Invertebrates
Minytrema melanops (Spotted sucker)	T:	Decreasing abundance. Intolerant of high turbidity and siltation.	R	2	"
Catostomus commersoni (White sucker)	T:	Southern limit of range	0	2	"
Ictalurus melas (Black bullhead)	M/I/T		C	2	Everything available
Ictalurus natalis (Yellow bullhead)	T		0	2	"
Ictalurus punctatus (Channel catfish)	M/T		C	3	"
Pylodictis olivaris (Flathead)	M/I		C	3	"
Noturus noeturnus (Freckled madtom)		Sluggish streams with aquatic vegetation	R	3	"
Noturus exilis (Slender madtom)		Western limit of range	0	3	"
Noturus gyrinus (Tadpole madtom)		Usually associated with aquatic vegetation. Western limit of range	R	3	"
Noturus flavus (Stonecat)	T/M	Southern limit of range	C	2	Mostly animal, insect sometimes vegetation

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NAME	HABITAT	OCCUR-RENCE	TROPHIC LEVEL	DIET
FISHES (Continued)				
Fundulus kansae (Plains killifish)	T: Eastern limit of range	O	2	insect, algae
Fundulus catenatus (Northern studfish)	M/T: Western limit of range	R	2	"
Fundulus olivaceous (Blackspotted topminnow)	T: Western limit of range	O	2	"
Fundulus notatus (Blackstripe topminnow)	T	C	2	"
Fundulus sciadicus (Plains topminnow)	T: Southern limit of range	R	2	"
Gumbusia affinis (Mosquitofish)	T/M: Widely distributed	C	2	"
Labidesthes sicculus (Brook silverside)	M/T: Basically in streams, but invade lakes	C	2	Small organisms
Morone chrysops (White bass)	I/M	C	3	"
Morone saxatilis (Striped bass)	I	O	3	"
Micropterus salmoides (Largemouth bass)	T/M/I: Widely distributed	C	3	All kinds of animals
Micropterus dolomicui (Smallmouth bass)	T: Western limit of range	R	3	Minnow, insect
Micropterus punctulatus (Spotted bass)		C	3	"
Lepomis macrochirus (Bluegill)	T/I: Mainly lakes and impoundments	C	2	Mainly animal, also plant food
Pomoxis nigromaculatus (Black crappie)	T/I: Mainly lakes and impoundments	C	3	Animal life
Pomoxis annularis (White crappie)	T/I/M: Mainly lakes and impoundments	C	3	"
Lepomis cyanellus (Green sunfish)	T/I	O	2	All kinds of insect

NAME	HABITAT	OCCUR-RENCE	TROPHIC LEVEL	DIET
Fishes (Continued)				
Lepomis megalotis (Longear sunfish)	T/I	C	2	"
Leopmis humilis (Orangespotted sunfish)	T/I	C	2	Small crustaceans, insects
Lepomis microlophus (Redear sunfish)	T/I	O	2	"
Lepomis gulosus (Warmouth)	T/I	R	3	"
Etheostuma cragini (Arkansas darter)	T: Eastern limit of range	R	2	"
Etheostoma zorale (Banded darter)	T/M: Eastern limit of range	C	2	Little known
Etheostoma chlorosomum (Bluntnose darter)	T/I: Western limit of range	O	2	"
Percina copelandi (Channel darter)	T: Western limit of range	O	2	"
Etheostoma flabellare (Fantail darter)	T: Western limit of range	C	2	Small insect and animals
Etheostoma blennoides (Greenside darter)	T: Western limit of range	O	2	Little known
Etheostoma nigrum (Johnny darter)	T: Western limit of range	R	2	"
Etheostoma microperea (Least darter)	M/T: Western limit of range	R	2	Aquatic animal life
Etheostoma spectabile (Orangethroat darter)	T	C	2	Little known
Etheostoma whipplei (Redfin darter)	T	O	2	"
Percina shumardi (River darter)	M: Western limit of range	R	2	"
Percina phoxocephala (Slenderhead darter)	T/M	C	2	"

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NAME	HABITAT	OCCUR-RENCE	TROPHIC LEVEL	DIET
Fishes (Continued)				
Etheostoma gracile (Slough darter)	T	R	2	"
Etheostoma stigmaeum (Speckled darter)	T: Western limit of range	R	2	"
Etheostoma punctulatum (Stippled darter)	T: Western limit of range	O	2	"
Percina caprodes (Logperch)	T	C	2	Algae, insects
Perca flavescens (Yellow perch)	I: Introduced	R	2	Snails
Stizostedion canadense (Sauger)	I: Introduced	O	3	Worms, minnow
Stizostedion vitreum (Walleye)	I: Introduced	O	3	"
Aplodinotus grunniens (Freshwater drum)	M/I	C	3	"
Cottus carolinae (Banded sculpin)	T: Western limit of range	O	2	Small crustaceans

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NAME	*f*	HABITAT	OCCUR-RENCE	TROPHIC LEVEL	DIET
SNAKES					
Ancistrodon contortrix (Copperhead)		B/R/W	C*	3	Small rodents, birds, frogs
Agkistrodon piscivorous (Cottonmouth)		A	C*	3	"
Sistrurus catenatus (Massasauga)		R	O*	3	Rodents, frogs, toads, birds, insects, crayfish, fish
Coluber constrictor (Racer)		P/W	C	3	Small mammels, batrachians, snakes, lizards
Crotalus atrox (Western diamondback rattlesnake)		B/P/S	R*	3	Rodents, birds
Crotalus horridus (Timber rattlesnake)		W: Wooded hils with limestone outcrops	R*	3	Toads, mice, insects, small snakes, birds
Sistrurus miliarius (Pigmy rattlesnake)		W: Marshy areas	R	3	Mammals, lizards, insects, small birds, frogs
Carphophis amoenus (Worm snake)		R/W	C	2	Insects, earthworms, slugs, snails
Carphophis vermis (Western worm snake)		R	C	3	Earthworms, insects, small snakes
Diadophis punctatus (Ringneck snake)		P/W: Moist rocky hillsides	C	3	Insects, earthworms, salamanders, frogs, reptiles
Heterodon platyrhinos (Eastern hognose snake)		R/S: Sandy river bottoms	O	3	Toads, salamanders, fish, snakes, lizards, insects, worms, birds, frogs, mice, chipmunks

NAME	HABITAT	OCCUR-RENCE	TROPHIC LEVEL	DIET
REPTILES (Continued)				
Heterodon nasicus (Western hognose snake)	P/S:Prefers sandy areas	O*	3	Toads, frogs, shews sparrows, rats, mice lizards, garter snakes
Opheodrys aestivus (Rough green snake)	B/P/R	O	3	Insects, spiders, snails, frogs
Masticophis flagellum (Coachwhip snake)	P: dry, open areas with brush	C*	2	Rodents, lizards, snakes young birds, frogs
Elaphe guttata (Corn snake)	P/W:well drained grasslands	C	3	Mammals, bats, birds, insects
Elaphe obsoleta (Black ratsnake)	B/W	C	3	Mammals, lizards, birds, amphibians
Pituophis melanoleucus (Pine snake)	P: well drained grasslands	C	3	Rats, mice, small mammals, bird's eggs
Lampropritis calligaster (Prairie kingsnake)	P:well drained grasslands	O		Mice, birds, moles, gophers, lizards, frogs, fish, toads, small snakes
Lampropeltis getulus (Common speckled kingsnake)	R/W: Mostle woodlands/moist valleys	C	3	Snakes, turtle eggs, rat, mice, sparrows, lizards, amphibians, insects, spiders
Lampropeltis triangulum (Milk snake)	P/R/W	O	3	Small mammals, snakes, frogs
Cemophora coccinea (Scarlet snake)	W	R*	3	Lizards, small snakes, mice,insects, slugs, salamanders, turtle eggs, birds

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NAME	HABITAT	OCCUR-RENCE	TROPHIC LEVEL	DIET
REPTILES (Continued)				
Sonora episcopa (Ground snake)	P: Dry sandy soils of grass-lands	O*	2	Ants, insects, small invertebrates
Tantilla gracilis (Flat-headed snake)	P/W: Dry hillside (wooded or grasslands.)	O	2	Insects, sowbugs, slugs
Natrix erythrogaster (Plain bellied watersnake)	A/R	C	3	Fish, crayfish, frogs, salamanders
Natrix sipedon (Common water snake)	A/R	C	3	Fish, frogs, salamanders, crustaceans, insects, small mammals
Regina grahami (Graham's water snake)	A/R: marshy areas (standing water)	O	3	Earthworms, minnows, slugs frogs, toads, salamanders
Storeria dekayi (Brown snake)	B/R/W: Woodlands with moist areas	O	3	Earthworms, slugs, snails insects, treefrogs, fish
Storeria occipitomaculata (Red-Bellied snake)	W	O	2	Slugs, earthworms, insects, snails
Virginia striatula (Rough earth snake)	W: moist woodlands	C	3	Frogs, toads, lizards, baby mice
Virginia Valeriae (Western earth snake)	W	O*	2	Earthworms, insects, snails
Thamnophis sirtalis (Common garter snake)	A/B/R/W	C	3	Frog, mice, toads, insects fish, salamanders, mammals
Thamnophis radix (Plains garter snake)	A/R	O*	3	Fish, frog, toads, earthworms, insects, carrion
Natrix rhombifera (Diamond-backed water snake)	A/R	C	3	Frogs, toads, fish, cray fish, turtles

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NAME	HABITAT	OCCUR-RENCE	TROPHIC LEVEL	DIET
REPTILES (Continued)				
Thopidoclonion lineatum (Central lined snake)	W: Moist woodlands	C	3	Frog, toads, insects, mice
Tantilla nigricops (Blackheaded snake)	R/B/P	O	3	Insects, earthworms, spiders
Tropidoclonion lineatum (Central lizard snake)	P	O*	2	Insects, earthworms, sowbugs
TURTLES				
Chelydra serpentina (Snapping turtle)	A	C	2	Some vegetation & dead animals
Macroclemys temmincki (Alligator snapping turtle)	A	R*	2	Insects & some vegetation
Sternotherus odoratus (Stinkpot)	A	C	2	Dead fish & grass
Kinosternon subrubrum (Mississippi mud turtle)	A	O*	2	Mainly small animals & some vegetable matter
Terrapene carolina (Box turtle)	W	C	2	Worms & some vegetable matter
Terrapene ornata (Western Box turtle)	G	C	2	Worms & some vegetable matter
Graptemys geographica (Map turtle)	A	O	2	Insects & worms
Pseudemys floridana (Saw toothed slider)	A	O	2	Small animal & some vegetable matter
Pseudemys scripta (Red eared turtle)	A	C	2	More vegetable than animal matter
Trionyx muticus (Smooth softshell turtle)	A	O	2	Unknown

NAME	HABITAT	OCCUR-RENCE	TROPHIC LEVEL	DIET
TURTLES (Continued)				
Trionyx spiniferus (Spiny soft shell)	A	O	2	Unknown
LIZARDS				
Crotaphytus collaris (Collared lizard)	P/R	O	3	Grasshoppers, spiders, beetles, moths, small lizards, flowers, tender leaves
Sceloporus undulatus (Eastern fence lizard)	P/S	C*	2	Ants, grasshoppers and other insects
Phrynosoma cornutum (Texan horned lizard	S: Dry open areas	O*	2	Ants, arthropods, other small insects
Lygosoma laterale (Ground skink)	R/W	O	2	Insects & insect larvae
Eumeces anthracinus (Coal skink)	R/W:Wooded areas with litter	R*	2	Insects & insect larvae
Eumeces fasciatus (Five-lined skink)	R/W	C	3	Insects & insect larvae spider, earthworms
Eumeces laticeps (Broad-headed skink)	W	O*	3	insects, earthworms
Eumeces obsoletus (Great plains skink)	P:Grasslands area	O*	3	Insects, insect eggs & larvae, spiders
Eumeces septentrionalis (Prairie skink)	P: Entirely grassland	O*	3	Insects, snails & arthropods
Cnemidophorus sexlineatus (Six-lined racerunner)	B/P/S	R	2	Insects majorly & other arthropods
Ophisaurus attenuatus (Slender grass lizard)	B/P : well drained grassland	O	3	Insects, larvar, spider & other arthropods

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AMPHIBIANS OF THE MID-ARKANSAS RIVER BASIN

NAME	HABITAT	OCCUR-RENCE	TROPHIC LEVEL	DIET
SALAMANDERS				
Ambystoma annulatum (Ringed salamander)	T(P-B)	O*	2	Earthworms, small invertebrates
Ambystoma texanum (Small-mouthed salamander)	T(P-B)	O*	2	"
Ambystoma tigrinum (Tiger salamander)	T(P-B)	O	2	"
Plethodon cinereus (Quachita red-backed salamander)	T	O	2	Worms, small insects, spiders
Phethodon dorsalis (Ozark red-backed salamander)	C	O*	2	"
Diemictylus viridenscens (Central newt)	T(B)	O*	3	Earthworms, insects, snails, baby frogs and other small animals.
Necturus maculosus (Mudpuppy)	T(B)	O	2	Insects, worms, slugs, etc.
FROGS				
Acris crepitans (Blanchard cricket frog)	P(R)	C	2	Insects, snails, crayfish, small vertebrates
Acris gryllus (Cricket frog)	T(B)	O	2	Small insects.
Hyla versicolor (Eastern gray tree frog)	T: Aboreal	O	2	Any living creature of suitable size
Pseudacris clarki (Spotted chorus frog)	T(B): Frequents marshes and swamps	C	2	Insects
Rana aerolata (Northern crayfish frog)	T(B): Lowland thickets/waterways	R*	2	Crayfish, insects
Rana catesbeiana (Bullfrog)	P(R)	C	2	Insects, ants
Rana clamitans (Green frog)	P(R/B)	O	2	Small fish, insects
Rana pipiens (Leopard frog)	p(R/B)	C	2	"

NAME	HABITAT	OCCUR-RENCE	TROPHIC LEVEL	DIET
TOAD				
<u>Bufo</u> <u>americanus</u> (American toad)	T(B): moist woodlands	C*	3	Spiders, insects, small lizards
<u>Bufo</u> <u>cognatus</u> (Great plains toad)	T(B): moist woodlands	O	3	"
<u>Bufo</u> <u>speciosus</u> (Sonorum toad)	T(B): moist woodlands	O*	3	"
<u>Bufo</u> <u>woodhousei</u> (Rocky mountain toad)	T(B/R): moist woodlands	O	3	"
<u>Gastrophryne</u> <u>olivacea</u> (Great plains narrow-mouthed toad)	T(B): Mainly subterranean	O*	2	Insects, small invertebrates
<u>Scaphiopus</u> <u>bombifrons</u> (Plains spadefoot)	T(B): moist soil	O	2	Insects
<u>Scaphiopus</u> <u>hurteri</u> (Hurter's spadefoot)	T(B): woodlands and grasslands	C*	2	Insects

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* The species whose range termintes in the Mid-Arkansas region.

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NIADS OF THE MID-ARKANSAS RIVER BASIN

NAME	HABITAT	OCCUR-RENCE	TROPHIC LEVEL	GLOCHIDIA HOST
NIADS				
Fusconaia flava (Wabash pig-toed mussel)	G/M -	C	1	-
Megalonais gigantea (Giant washboard mussel)	M: Deep water	O	1	Shad, crappie, white Bass, Bowfin, flathead
Crenodonta peruviana (Bluepoint mussel)	G/M: Deep water	O	1	White crappie, black Crappie
Crenodonta costata (Three ridged mussel)	G/M: Pools	C	1	-
Quadrula quadrula (Maple leaf mussel)	G/M/S -	C	1	Catfish
Quadrula pustulosa (Pimble backed mussel)	G/M/S: Shallow water	R	1	Channel catfish
Quadrula nodulata (Warty-backed mussel)	G/M -	R	1	White crappie
Quadrula notanerva (Monkey-faced mussel)	G/S: Inhabits swift rivers	O	1	Bluegill, sauger
Tritogonia verrucosa (Buckhorn mussel).	G/M: Small streams and creeks	O	1	-
Pleurobema cordatum (Round pig-toed mussel)	G/M: Small streams and creeks	R	1	-
Elliptio dilatatus (Lady finger mussel)	G/M/S: "	C	1	-
Uniomerus tetralasmis (Pond-horn mussle)	M: Resistant to pollution	C·	1	-
Lasmigona complanata (White heel-splitter)	G/M: Usually burrows	C	1	-
Anodonta grandis (Floater	M/S: Prefers quiet, deep water	C	1	Green sunfish
Anodonta imbecilis (Floater)	M/S: " "	O	1	-
Strophitus rugosus (Squaw-foot mussel).	M/S: " "	O	1	-

NAME	HABITAT	OCCUR-RENCE	TROPHIC LEVEL	GLOCHIDIA HOST
NAIDS (continued)				
Obliquaria reflexa (Three-horned wart-backed mussel)	G/M/S: Large streams	O	1	Many develop without parasitism
Truncilla truncata (Deer toe)	G/M: " "	R	1	".
Leptodea fragilis (Fragile paper mussel)	G/M/S: quiet areas	C	1	–
Leptodea laevissima (Paper shell mussel)	G/M/S" "	R	1	Drum, white crappie
Proptera purpurata (Purple shell mussel)	M: deep water	C	1	Drum
Carunculina parva (Lilliput mussel)	M: small streams with sluggish currents	C	1	–
Ligumia recta (Black sand mussel)	G: large sandy streams	O	1	Bluegill, white crappie
Ligumia subrostrata (Common pond mussel)	M: ponds and creeks	C	1	–
Lampsilis anodontoides (Yellow sandshell mussel)	G/M: " "	R	1	Long-nose gar, catrarchids
Lampsilis radiata (Fat mucket)	G/M: " "	C	1	Yellow perch, bluegill, walleye
Lampsilis ovata (Plain pocket book mussel)	C/S: " "	C	1	White crappie, sauger
Actinonaisas crinata (Mucket)	C/M/S: riffles and rocky areas	R	1	Green sunfish, bluegill, small mouth bass

ANNUAL ANIMAL UNIT (A.U.) FOOD CONSUMPTION ESTIMATIE   (56)(67)(95)

Grazer / Item	Cattle	Horse	Sheep	Deer	Rabbit
1. Animal Sample	2-year cow	light-work farm horse	commercial ewe	does or bucks	does or bucks
2. Regular Forage					
Fresh Pasture	25 lb/day/animal or 1.5-2.0 lb/day/100lb of liveweight	—	—	0.6 lb/day/100 lb of livestock	—
Hay	—	1.25 lb/day/100 lb of liveweight	300 lb/year/animal	—	0.32 lb/day/animal
Grain	—	0.50 lb/day/100 lb of liveweight	—	—	—
Shelled Corn	—	—	1.5 bushels/year/animal	—	—
3. Average weight per Animal	1,200 lb	1,340 lb	140 lb	135 lb	6.5 lb
4. Annual Hay Consumption per Animal	—	6,100 lb	300 lb	—	120 lb
5. Annual Fresh Pasture Consumption per Animal	9,600 lb	12,200 lb	600 lb	300 lb	240 lb
6. Corresponding "Animal Unit" (based on the food consumption of a cow)	1 A.U.	1.28 A.U.	0.06 A.U.	0.03 A.U.	0.025 A.U.

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APPENDIX   F

APPROXIMATE PROPORTIONATE EXTENT OF THE SOIL ASSOCIATIONS AND THEIR SITES OF THE M.A.R.B.

County	Soil Site	Soil Associations	Cover Area / Total Area (%)	Subtotal (%)
PAWNEE	Upland Forest	Darnell - Talihina - Stephenville Dougherty - Eufaula	15.4 1.9	17.3
	Bottomland Forest	Port - Yahola - Dale - Brewer	13.2	13.2
	Prairie	Dennis - Bates - Talihina - Sogn Renfrow - Zaneis - Vernon - Lucien Norge - Teller - Vanoss	35.8 24.0 9.7	69.5
CREEK	Upland Forest	Darnell - Pottsville - Stephenville - Cleburne Dougherty - Stidham - Eufaula	49.2 4.4	53.6
	Bottomland Forest	Mason - Pulaski - Reinach - Roebuck	19.6	19.6
	Prairie	Dennis - Okemah - Bates - Collinsville - Talihina Choteau - Teller - Vanoss - Neosho Okemah - Woodson	22.0 3.9 0.9	26.8
TULSA	Upland Forest	Hector - Denton Dougherty - Stidham - Hanceville	9.9 6.1	16.0
	Bottomland Forest	Verdigris - Lonok Yahola - Brewer Lightning - Miller - Osage - Perry	9.2 6.8 6.0	22.0
	Prairie	Bates - Parsons - Collinsville - Talihina Summit - Newtonia Teller - Fitzhugh - Cherokee	47.1 7.9 7.0	62.0

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APPENDIX   Approximate proportionate extent of the soil associations and their sites (Continued)

County	Soil Site	Soil Associations	Cover Area / Total Area (%)	Subtotal (%)
OSAGE	Upland Forest	Darnell – Windthorst – Stephenville Dougherty – Eufaula	30.0 4.0	34.0
	Bottomland Forest	Verdigris – Mason – Cleora Reinach – Dale – Lincoln	12.0 2.0	14.0
	Prairie	Steedman – Colinsville – Bates Dennis – Parsons – Bates Sogn – Summit – Kipson Summit – Labette – Newtonia Vernon – Sogn – Renfrow Norge – Teller – Vanoss	16.0 12.0 10.0 6.0 5.0 3.0	52.0

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