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#### 1. SUMMARY

The results of this study produced a number of important findings about political from land use in the Maumee River Basin and received when  $\alpha$  when  $\alpha$ already knew:

l. The Basin is made up to the fine of the Big natural fertility which produce sediment during runoff in relation to their slope, internal drainage and susceptibility to sediment transport.

2. Most of the Basin  $(\sim]80\%)$  is in intensive row crop agriculture where, for the most part, the soils are fall—plowed and bare from November to June.

3. Much of the agricultural land is drained by subsurface tile or sure der ion of a served need network or mont mean of modified draughted.

T. The period of active sediment transport is in the period in the set of the set of spring and the severity of erosion and sediment transport is determined by soil moisture and snow melt conditions during initial thaw.

5. Phosphorus is the major pollutant from the Maumee River Basin and  $t$  is the high phosphate content of suspendies  $\frac{1}{2}$ in Basin soils and the enrichment of P in sediment due to clay enrichment during transport and adsorption of soluble P in the stream.

6. Levels of pesticides and trace metals in the Maumee River were low and reflect background in Basin solutions and not more contributions from groundwater.

#### $2.$ IMPLICATIONS FOR REMLDIAL MEASURES AND RECOMMENDATIONS

The efficiency of a particular remedial measure, "best management practice" or conservation practice in reducing the contribution of political or one different Lakes from land runoff must be considered from a variety of viewpoints. There is a fairly well developed body of knowledge regarding the reduction in gross erosion which may be obtained through the use of a particular practice. Although there is some uncertainty among scientists as to the absolute efficiency of the different practices, the "C", cropping management, and "P", erosion control practice, factors of the Universal Soil Loss equation which have been extensively compiled by the Soil Conservation Service, USDA, can give an excellent idea of the relative efficiency of the different combination of land management systems which can be used by farmers to reduce gross erosion.

On the other hand, our knowledge of how these practices alter the sediment— and pollutant and nutrient--delivery ratio is still seriously lacking. Several studies have indicated that the delivery ratio, the ratio of gross erosion to sediment actually delivered to drainage ways, is significantly increased by the application of some management practices. This is primarily because some practices are most efficient in reducing the movement of relatively larger size soil particles. The resultant runoff, enriched with fine particles, can move much further than the larger particles. It is also well known that the fine particle size fraction is the fraction which carries with it most of the particulate adsorbed bio-available phosphorus. As a result an erosion control practice, which is efficient in reducing gross erosion, may be quite inefficient in reducing deliveryof phosphorus to the Great Lakes. Considerably more research will be necessary before it can be determined how efficient a management practice is in reducing phosphorus loadings relative to gross erosion. It must be borne in mind, though, that a management practice which

produces a 50% reduction in gross erosion will also produce a significant reduction in phosphorus loading, probably on the order of 25 to 40%, or <sup>5</sup><sup>0</sup> <sup>t</sup><sup>o</sup> <sup>8</sup><sup>0</sup>% <sup>o</sup><sup>f</sup> <sup>t</sup><sup>h</sup><sup>e</sup> <sup>r</sup><sup>e</sup><sup>d</sup>uc<sup>t</sup><sup>i</sup><sup>o</sup><sup>n</sup> <sup>i</sup><sup>n</sup> <sup>g</sup><sup>r</sup><sup>o</sup><sup>s</sup><sup>s</sup> <sup>e</sup><sup>r</sup><sup>o</sup><sup>s</sup><sup>i</sup><sup>o</sup><sup>n</sup>.

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The above discussion of practice efficiency again becomes important. Consider, for example, the installation of grassed waterways. This is a practice designed primarily to abate gully erosion in areas of concentrated runoff. In gully e<sup>r</sup><sup>o</sup><sup>s</sup><sup>i</sup><sup>o</sup><sup>n</sup> <sup>t</sup><sup>h</sup><sup>e</sup> <sup>p</sup><sup>r</sup><sup>i</sup><sup>n</sup><sup>c</sup><sup>i</sup><sup>p</sup><sup>a</sup><sup>l</sup> <sup>e</sup><sup>r</sup><sup>o</sup><sup>d</sup><sup>a</sup><sup>n</sup><sup>t</sup> <sup>i</sup><sup>s</sup> <sup>d</sup><sup>e</sup><sup>e</sup><sup>p</sup> <sup>h</sup><sup>o</sup><sup>r</sup><sup>i</sup>zo<sup>n</sup> <sup>m</sup><sup>a</sup><sup>t</sup><sup>e</sup><sup>r</sup><sup>i</sup><sup>a</sup><sup>l</sup> wh<sup>i</sup><sup>c</sup><sup>h</sup> <sup>i</sup><sup>s</sup> <sup>g</sup><sup>e</sup><sup>n</sup><sup>e</sup><sup>r</sup><sup>a</sup><sup>l</sup><sup>l</sup><sup>y</sup> <sup>l</sup><sup>o</sup><sup>w</sup> <sup>i</sup><sup>n</sup> <sup>p</sup><sup>h</sup><sup>o</sup><sup>s</sup><sup>p</sup><sup>h</sup><sup>o</sup><sup>r</sup>us wh<sup>i</sup><sup>c</sup><sup>h</sup> <sup>i</sup><sup>s</sup> <sup>c</sup><sup>o</sup><sup>n</sup><sup>s</sup><sup>i</sup><sup>d</sup><sup>e</sup><sup>r</sup><sup>e</sup><sup>d</sup> <sup>t</sup><sup>o</sup> <sup>b</sup><sup>e</sup> <sup>b</sup><sup>i</sup><sup>o</sup>—ava<sup>i</sup><sup>l</sup><sup>a</sup><sup>b</sup><sup>l</sup><sup>e</sup>. <sup>S</sup><sup>o</sup>, <sup>t</sup><sup>h</sup><sup>i</sup><sup>s</sup> <sup>p</sup><sup>r</sup><sup>a</sup><sup>c</sup><sup>t</sup><sup>i</sup><sup>c</sup><sup>e</sup> <sup>d</sup><sup>o</sup><sup>e</sup><sup>s</sup> l<sup>i</sup><sup>t</sup><sup>t</sup><sup>l</sup><sup>e</sup> <sup>t</sup><sup>o</sup> <sup>r</sup><sup>e</sup><sup>d</sup>uc<sup>e</sup> <sup>p</sup><sup>h</sup><sup>o</sup><sup>s</sup><sup>p</sup><sup>h</sup><sup>o</sup><sup>r</sup>us <sup>p</sup><sup>o</sup><sup>l</sup><sup>l</sup>ut<sup>i</sup><sup>o</sup><sup>n</sup> <sup>t</sup><sup>o</sup> <sup>t</sup><sup>h</sup><sup>e</sup> <sup>G</sup><sup>r</sup><sup>e</sup><sup>a</sup><sup>t</sup> <sup>L</sup><sup>a</sup><sup>k</sup><sup>e</sup><sup>s</sup>. <sup>A</sup><sup>t</sup> <sup>t</sup><sup>h</sup><sup>e</sup> <sup>s</sup><sup>a</sup><sup>m</sup><sup>e</sup> <sup>t</sup><sup>i</sup><sup>m</sup><sup>e</sup>, i<sup>t</sup> <sup>i</sup><sup>s</sup> <sup>e</sup>xt<sup>r</sup><sup>e</sup><sup>m</sup><sup>e</sup><sup>l</sup><sup>y</sup> <sup>i</sup><sup>m</sup><sup>p</sup><sup>o</sup><sup>r</sup><sup>t</sup><sup>a</sup><sup>n</sup><sup>t</sup> <sup>t</sup><sup>o</sup> <sup>t</sup><sup>h</sup><sup>e</sup> <sup>f</sup><sup>a</sup><sup>r</sup><sup>m</sup><sup>e</sup><sup>r</sup>, <sup>b</sup><sup>e</sup><sup>c</sup><sup>a</sup>us<sup>e</sup> <sup>i</sup><sup>t</sup> <sup>p</sup><sup>r</sup><sup>e</sup>ve<sup>n</sup><sup>t</sup><sup>s</sup> <sup>t</sup><sup>h</sup><sup>e</sup> <sup>r</sup>ui<sup>n</sup><sup>a</sup><sup>t</sup><sup>i</sup><sup>o</sup><sup>n</sup> <sup>o</sup><sup>f</sup> h<sup>i</sup><sup>s</sup> <sup>f</sup><sup>i</sup><sup>e</sup><sup>l</sup><sup>d</sup><sup>s</sup> <sup>b</sup><sup>y</sup> <sup>g</sup>ul<sup>l</sup><sup>y</sup> <sup>f</sup><sup>o</sup><sup>r</sup><sup>m</sup><sup>a</sup><sup>t</sup><sup>i</sup><sup>o</sup><sup>n</sup>.

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A PTO installation consists of a series of berms of soil c<sup>o</sup><sup>n</sup><sup>s</sup><sup>t</sup><sup>r</sup>uc<sup>t</sup><sup>e</sup><sup>d</sup> <sup>a</sup><sup>c</sup><sup>r</sup><sup>o</sup><sup>s</sup><sup>s</sup> <sup>t</sup><sup>h</sup><sup>e</sup> <sup>s</sup>wa<sup>l</sup><sup>e</sup>, <sup>r</sup><sup>e</sup><sup>l</sup><sup>a</sup><sup>t</sup><sup>i</sup>ve<sup>l</sup><sup>y</sup> <sup>c</sup><sup>l</sup><sup>o</sup><sup>s</sup><sup>e</sup><sup>r</sup> <sup>t</sup><sup>o</sup><sup>g</sup><sup>e</sup><sup>t</sup><sup>h</sup><sup>e</sup><sup>r</sup> <sup>o</sup><sup>r</sup> <sup>f</sup><sup>a</sup><sup>r</sup><sup>t</sup><sup>h</sup><sup>e</sup><sup>r</sup> <sup>a</sup><sup>p</sup><sup>a</sup><sup>r</sup><sup>t</sup> d<sup>e</sup><sup>p</sup><sup>e</sup><sup>n</sup><sup>d</sup><sup>i</sup><sup>n</sup><sup>g</sup> <sup>o</sup><sup>n</sup> <sup>t</sup><sup>h</sup><sup>e</sup> <sup>l</sup><sup>e</sup><sup>n</sup><sup>g</sup><sup>t</sup><sup>h</sup> <sup>a</sup><sup>n</sup><sup>d</sup> <sup>d</sup><sup>e</sup><sup>g</sup><sup>r</sup><sup>e</sup><sup>e</sup> <sup>o</sup><sup>f</sup> <sup>t</sup><sup>h</sup><sup>e</sup> <sup>s</sup><sup>l</sup><sup>o</sup><sup>p</sup><sup>e</sup> <sup>a</sup><sup>c</sup><sup>r</sup><sup>o</sup><sup>s</sup><sup>s</sup> wh<sup>i</sup><sup>c</sup><sup>h</sup> <sup>t</sup><sup>h</sup><sup>e</sup><sup>y</sup> <sup>a</sup><sup>r</sup><sup>e</sup> <sup>c</sup><sup>o</sup><sup>n</sup><sup>s</sup><sup>t</sup><sup>r</sup>uc<sup>t</sup><sup>e</sup><sup>d</sup>. t<sup>i</sup><sup>l</sup><sup>e</sup> <sup>l</sup><sup>i</sup><sup>n</sup><sup>e</sup> <sup>i</sup><sup>s</sup> <sup>l</sup><sup>a</sup><sup>i</sup><sup>d</sup> <sup>a</sup><sup>l</sup><sup>o</sup><sup>n</sup><sup>g</sup> <sup>t</sup><sup>h</sup><sup>e</sup> <sup>b</sup><sup>o</sup><sup>t</sup><sup>t</sup><sup>o</sup><sup>m</sup> <sup>o</sup><sup>f</sup> <sup>t</sup><sup>h</sup><sup>e</sup> <sup>s</sup>wa<sup>l</sup><sup>e</sup> <sup>b</sup><sup>e</sup><sup>g</sup><sup>i</sup><sup>n</sup><sup>n</sup><sup>i</sup><sup>n</sup><sup>g</sup> <sup>j</sup>us<sup>t</sup> <sup>b</sup><sup>e</sup><sup>h</sup><sup>i</sup><sup>n</sup><sup>d</sup> <sup>t</sup><sup>h</sup><sup>e</sup> highest berm. Behind each berm a vertical tile is connected to the main tile a<sup>n</sup><sup>d</sup> <sup>e</sup>xt<sup>e</sup><sup>n</sup><sup>d</sup><sup>i</sup><sup>n</sup><sup>g</sup> <sup>t</sup><sup>o</sup> <sup>t</sup><sup>h</sup><sup>e</sup> <sup>h</sup><sup>e</sup><sup>i</sup><sup>g</sup><sup>h</sup><sup>t</sup> <sup>o</sup><sup>f</sup> <sup>t</sup><sup>h</sup><sup>e</sup> <sup>b</sup><sup>e</sup><sup>r</sup><sup>m</sup> <sup>a</sup><sup>b</sup><sup>o</sup>ve <sup>g</sup><sup>r</sup><sup>o</sup>un<sup>d</sup> <sup>l</sup><sup>e</sup>ve<sup>l</sup>. <sup>T</sup><sup>h</sup><sup>e</sup> ve<sup>r</sup><sup>t</sup><sup>i</sup><sup>c</sup><sup>a</sup><sup>l</sup> <sup>t</sup><sup>i</sup><sup>l</sup><sup>e</sup> is perforated so that water may enter it and flow through a control orifice into the main tile to a drainageway at the bottom of the slope. The PTO serves t<sup>h</sup><sup>e</sup> <sup>s</sup><sup>a</sup><sup>m</sup><sup>e</sup> <sup>f</sup>un<sup>c</sup><sup>t</sup><sup>i</sup><sup>o</sup><sup>n</sup> <sup>a</sup><sup>s</sup> <sup>t</sup><sup>h</sup><sup>e</sup> <sup>g</sup><sup>r</sup><sup>a</sup><sup>s</sup><sup>s</sup><sup>e</sup><sup>d</sup> wa<sup>t</sup><sup>e</sup><sup>r</sup>wa<sup>y</sup> <sup>i</sup><sup>n</sup> <sup>e</sup><sup>l</sup><sup>i</sup><sup>m</sup><sup>i</sup><sup>n</sup><sup>a</sup><sup>t</sup><sup>i</sup><sup>n</sup><sup>g</sup> <sup>g</sup>ul<sup>l</sup><sup>y</sup> <sup>e</sup><sup>r</sup><sup>o</sup><sup>s</sup><sup>i</sup><sup>o</sup><sup>n</sup>, <sup>b</sup>ut <sup>i</sup><sup>t</sup> serves a function which the grassed waterway cannot. Because flow is restricted at the vertical tile outlet, water is ponded behind the berm and phosphorusb<sup>e</sup><sup>a</sup><sup>r</sup><sup>i</sup><sup>n</sup><sup>g</sup> <sup>s</sup><sup>e</sup><sup>d</sup><sup>i</sup><sup>m</sup><sup>e</sup><sup>n</sup><sup>t</sup> <sup>c</sup><sup>a</sup><sup>n</sup> <sup>b</sup><sup>e</sup> <sup>s</sup><sup>e</sup><sup>t</sup><sup>t</sup><sup>l</sup><sup>e</sup><sup>d</sup> <sup>o</sup>ut. <sup>T</sup><sup>h</sup><sup>e</sup> <sup>g</sup><sup>r</sup><sup>a</sup><sup>s</sup><sup>s</sup><sup>e</sup><sup>d</sup> wa<sup>t</sup><sup>e</sup><sup>r</sup>wa<sup>y</sup> <sup>c</sup><sup>a</sup><sup>n</sup><sup>n</sup><sup>o</sup><sup>t</sup> <sup>p</sup><sup>e</sup><sup>r</sup><sup>f</sup><sup>o</sup><sup>r</sup><sup>m</sup> <sup>t</sup><sup>h</sup><sup>i</sup><sup>s</sup> function.

T<sup>h</sup><sup>e</sup> <sup>i</sup><sup>n</sup><sup>i</sup><sup>t</sup><sup>i</sup><sup>a</sup><sup>l</sup> <sup>c</sup><sup>o</sup><sup>s</sup><sup>t</sup> <sup>o</sup><sup>f</sup> <sup>t</sup><sup>h</sup><sup>e</sup> <sup>P</sup><sup>T</sup><sup>O</sup> <sup>i</sup><sup>s</sup> <sup>h</sup><sup>i</sup><sup>g</sup><sup>h</sup><sup>e</sup><sup>r</sup> <sup>t</sup><sup>h</sup><sup>a</sup><sup>n</sup> <sup>t</sup><sup>h</sup><sup>e</sup> <sup>g</sup><sup>r</sup><sup>a</sup><sup>s</sup><sup>s</sup><sup>e</sup><sup>d</sup> wa<sup>t</sup><sup>e</sup><sup>r</sup>way, <sup>b</sup>ut <sup>i</sup><sup>n</sup> the long-term may cost less. Maintenance costs may be less for the PTO. More i<sup>m</sup><sup>p</sup><sup>o</sup><sup>r</sup><sup>t</sup><sup>a</sup><sup>n</sup><sup>t</sup><sup>l</sup>y, ve<sup>r</sup><sup>y</sup> <sup>l</sup><sup>i</sup><sup>t</sup><sup>t</sup><sup>l</sup><sup>e</sup> <sup>l</sup><sup>a</sup><sup>n</sup><sup>d</sup> <sup>i</sup><sup>s</sup> <sup>t</sup><sup>a</sup><sup>k</sup><sup>e</sup><sup>n</sup> <sup>o</sup>ut <sup>o</sup><sup>f</sup> <sup>p</sup><sup>r</sup><sup>o</sup><sup>d</sup>uc<sup>t</sup><sup>i</sup><sup>o</sup><sup>n</sup>——o<sup>n</sup><sup>l</sup><sup>y</sup> <sup>a</sup><sup>b</sup><sup>o</sup>ut <sup>5</sup><sup>0</sup> <sup>s</sup><sup>q</sup>ua<sup>r</sup><sup>e</sup> f<sup>e</sup><sup>e</sup><sup>t</sup> <sup>a</sup><sup>r</sup><sup>o</sup>un<sup>d</sup> <sup>t</sup><sup>h</sup><sup>e</sup> ve<sup>r</sup><sup>t</sup><sup>i</sup><sup>c</sup><sup>a</sup><sup>l</sup> <sup>t</sup><sup>i</sup><sup>l</sup><sup>e</sup>, wh<sup>i</sup><sup>l</sup><sup>e</sup> <sup>t</sup><sup>h</sup><sup>e</sup> <sup>e</sup><sup>n</sup><sup>t</sup><sup>i</sup><sup>r</sup><sup>e</sup> <sup>l</sup><sup>e</sup><sup>n</sup><sup>g</sup><sup>t</sup><sup>h</sup> <sup>o</sup><sup>f</sup> <sup>t</sup><sup>h</sup><sup>e</sup> wa<sup>t</sup><sup>e</sup><sup>r</sup>wa<sup>y</sup> <sup>i</sup><sup>s</sup> <sup>o</sup>ut <sup>o</sup><sup>f</sup> <sup>p</sup><sup>r</sup><sup>o</sup><sup>d</sup>uc<sup>t</sup><sup>i</sup><sup>o</sup><sup>n</sup>. <sup>A</sup><sup>l</sup><sup>s</sup><sup>o</sup>, <sup>e</sup><sup>s</sup><sup>p</sup><sup>e</sup><sup>c</sup><sup>i</sup><sup>a</sup><sup>l</sup><sup>l</sup><sup>y</sup> <sup>i</sup><sup>m</sup><sup>p</sup><sup>o</sup><sup>r</sup><sup>t</sup><sup>a</sup><sup>n</sup><sup>t</sup> <sup>t</sup><sup>o</sup> <sup>c</sup><sup>o</sup><sup>n</sup><sup>t</sup><sup>o</sup>ur <sup>p</sup><sup>l</sup><sup>o</sup>wi<sup>n</sup><sup>g</sup>, <sup>t</sup><sup>h</sup><sup>e</sup><sup>r</sup><sup>e</sup> <sup>i</sup><sup>s</sup> <sup>n</sup><sup>o</sup> o<sup>b</sup><sup>s</sup><sup>t</sup><sup>a</sup><sup>c</sup><sup>l</sup><sup>e</sup> <sup>t</sup><sup>o</sup> <sup>c</sup><sup>o</sup><sup>n</sup><sup>t</sup><sup>i</sup><sup>n</sup>uous <sup>o</sup><sup>p</sup><sup>e</sup><sup>r</sup><sup>a</sup><sup>t</sup><sup>i</sup><sup>o</sup><sup>n</sup> <sup>o</sup><sup>f</sup> <sup>m</sup><sup>a</sup><sup>c</sup><sup>h</sup><sup>i</sup><sup>n</sup><sup>e</sup><sup>r</sup><sup>y</sup> <sup>a</sup><sup>c</sup><sup>r</sup><sup>o</sup><sup>s</sup><sup>s</sup> <sup>t</sup><sup>h</sup><sup>e</sup> <sup>s</sup><sup>l</sup><sup>o</sup><sup>p</sup><sup>e</sup>.

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Also, the increased production obtained through the use of tile will offset many of the costs of other conservation practices which must be employed. While it is too early to assess how much of an impact tile drainage may have on diffuse source pollution reduction, it is becoming evident that it will be an important BMP for poorly drained high clay watersheds. A low level of cost sharing should be sufficient to increase the installation of tile.

#### 2.1 Watershed recommendations

- 1. Point source reduction of P should continue to be pursued, especially for Toledo because of its high delivery to the Western Basin of Erie.
- heavy metals and person at the problem at the problem of the problem of the problem  $\frac{1}{2}$ pesticides in water and sediment should be periodically scanned to identify any new compounds or other toxic organics which may come on the scene in the future.
- London practices should be accelerated to reduce the accelerated to reduce the acceleration of the consequence in the consequence of the consequen cultivated since the Basin. The Basin. The Basin State include the Basin. The Basin State of the Basin. The Basin State of the the Morley solid with  $\mathbf{U}$  solid with  $\mathbf{U}$  so  $\mathbf{U}$  so slopes of the till planning regions of the Basin and the Roselms soils with B slopes in the lake plain region.
- Maximum sediment and period January march, and and in the period of  $\alpha$ conservation provided maximized represent cover during that period. The period of No high show we all also well and well control solid quide chiract plow on the Roselms.
- Gully erosion is common and dissected up the dist association associations of the distribution of the  $\frac{1}{2}$ drainage is recommended for these critical areas.
- Grass buffer strips between field boundarys and drainage ditches are recommended in the Maumee becuase of the large network of drainage ditches in the Basin. This recommendation is especially important in the lake plain region where ditches are more numerous and the soils are high in clay.
- 7. Reduced tillage can not be justifiably recommended on the level (A slope) soils of the Basin because of their low soil loss and the crop management difficulties associated with reduced tillage on these soils. However, subsurface (tile) drainage appears to reduce runoff and soil loss on these soils in addition to improving crop production. Therefore, accelerated tile drainage installation is recommended on the level, poorly drained soils of the Basin.
- 8. The Paulding soil is very high in clay and possesses low hydraulic conductivity; as a result, tile drainage is not recommended on this soil. Further research is needed to develop acceptable crop management (including drainage) practices which will maintain crop productivity and reduce soil loss and transport.
- 9. Soils in the Maumee are high in clay, relatively high in total P, and because of its high clay content, the suspended sediment is enriched in total P. Plant available P levels in watershed soils are generally adequate for maximum crop production. Educational programs should stress the importance of following soil test recommendations, and soil fertility research is needed to better define sufficiency levels of available P in soil.

#### 2.2 General recommendations

1. Point source phosphorus reductions must be continued with emphasis on those discharges which are on the lake shore and on main stem tributaries.

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- <sup>3</sup>. <sup>C</sup><sup>r</sup><sup>o</sup><sup>p</sup><sup>l</sup><sup>a</sup><sup>n</sup><sup>d</sup> <sup>e</sup><sup>r</sup><sup>o</sup><sup>s</sup><sup>i</sup><sup>o</sup><sup>n</sup> <sup>c</sup><sup>o</sup><sup>n</sup><sup>t</sup><sup>r</sup><sup>o</sup><sup>l</sup> <sup>s</sup><sup>h</sup><sup>o</sup>ul<sup>d</sup> <sup>b</sup><sup>e</sup> <sup>g</sup><sup>e</sup><sup>a</sup><sup>r</sup><sup>e</sup><sup>d</sup> <sup>t</sup><sup>o</sup> <sup>t</sup><sup>h</sup><sup>e</sup> <sup>p</sup><sup>e</sup><sup>r</sup><sup>i</sup><sup>o</sup><sup>d</sup> (<sup>s</sup><sup>e</sup><sup>a</sup><sup>s</sup><sup>o</sup><sup>n</sup>) <sup>o</sup><sup>f</sup> m<sup>a</sup>xi<sup>m</sup>um <sup>e</sup><sup>r</sup><sup>o</sup><sup>s</sup><sup>i</sup><sup>o</sup><sup>n</sup> <sup>a</sup><sup>n</sup><sup>d</sup> <sup>t</sup><sup>r</sup><sup>a</sup><sup>n</sup><sup>s</sup><sup>p</sup><sup>o</sup><sup>r</sup><sup>t</sup>. <sup>I</sup><sup>n</sup> <sup>m</sup>uc<sup>h</sup> <sup>o</sup><sup>f</sup> <sup>t</sup><sup>h</sup><sup>e</sup> <sup>G</sup><sup>r</sup><sup>e</sup><sup>a</sup><sup>t</sup> <sup>L</sup><sup>a</sup><sup>k</sup><sup>e</sup><sup>s</sup> <sup>r</sup><sup>e</sup><sup>g</sup><sup>i</sup><sup>o</sup><sup>n</sup> <sup>t</sup><sup>h</sup><sup>i</sup><sup>s</sup> period is from January through April. Residue management to keep the soil in place is likely to be more effective than measures to reduce sediment transport, especially on the finer soils.
- 4. Phosphorus fertilizer and manure management should more accurately reflect crop requirements and soil test levels. Summaries of soil test results should be used to monitor soil available levels in regions of intensive cultivation.
- 5. Modeling should proceed to determine the degree of soluble, available and total P reduction that might be attained per unit of sediment reduction.
- 6. A tributary monitoring program should be developed to periodically scan water and sediment for toxic chemical discharges.

#### 3. INTRODUCTION

The Maumee River was chosen by PLUARG to be one of three pilot watersheds to be studied on the U. 8. side of the Great Lakes drainage basin as part of Task C - pilot watershed studies. Since there was already an ongoing PL—92-SOO Sec. 108 demonstration project in Black Creek basin, an Indiana tributary to the Maumee, the Task C project was directed to the Ohio portion of the Maumee to supplement the work being done in Black Creek.

The objectives of PLUARG are to determine the effects of prevailing land use practices on pollution entering the Great Lakes. Specifically, the PLUARG Task C objectives are to answer the following questions:

- 1. From what sources and from what causes (under what conditions, management practices) are pollutants contributed to surface and ground water?
- 2. What is the extent of pollutant contributions and what are the unit area loadings by season from a given land use or practice to surface or ground water?
- 3. To what degree are pollutants transmitted from sources to boundary waters?
- 4. Are remedial measures required? What are they and how effective might they be?
- 5. Were deficiencies in technology identified? If so, what is recommended.

As we will see later, the Maumee River Basin is primarily agricultural in land use, and studies by the U. S. Army Corps of Engineers (1975) and the Great Lakes Basin Commission (1978) have indicated that diffuse sources account for about 75% of the phosphorus and nitrogen entering Lake Erie from the Maumee. Because of the previous monitoring efforts on the Maumee by the Corps of Engineers, it was decided to place emphasis in the Task project on soil and nutrient loss from small agricultural watersheds and on specialized studies on sediment transport.

Specific objectives of this study are:

- 1. To determine the effects of land use practices on the loss of sediment and associated chemicals from representative small agricultural watersheds in the Basin and to compare these data with downstream reference samples.
- 2. To study and determine the physical, chemical and mineralogical properties of major soils in the Basin and relate these data to their susceptibility to erosion and fluvial transport.
- 3. To determine the physical, chemical, and mineralogical properties of suspended sediments and bottom sediments in order to identify fluvial transport mechanisms and to evaluate equilibrium stabilities of suspended and bottom sediments.
- 4. To determine phosphate sorption-desorption and precipitation interactions with sediment characteristics and concentration levels.
- 5. To determine heavy metals leaving small agricultural watersheds as contrasted to downstream reference sources.

This report presents the findings of our studies in the period 1975—77. It will draw on the research of other workers in the Maumee to give as complete picture as possible.

#### 3.1 Study Approach

The basic approach of this study was to measure the generation of sediment and nutrients from intensively cultivated cropland under prevailing management practices and to compare these losses with the yield of the same materials at the downstream discharge point. The study investigated the differences in pollutant generation on several of the major soils of the Maumee Basin and determined the effects of season and soil characteristics on sediment and nutrient generation. Pollutant transport by tile drainage was also studied because of the extensive use of underground tile for drainage in the Basin.

The chemical and mineralogical nature of suspended and bottom sediments was studied and compared to the soils of the Basin in order to better understand the changes in sediment during fluvial transport.

Levels of heavy metals in soil, sediment and surface and ground water were surveyed throughout the Basin; pesticides in sediment were also scanned.

Yields of sediment and nutrients from the Black Creek Sec. 108 study in Allen County, Indiana were used for comparison with those from the small p<sup>l</sup><sup>o</sup><sup>t</sup><sup>s</sup> <sup>s</sup><sup>t</sup>ud<sup>i</sup><sup>e</sup><sup>d</sup> <sup>i</sup><sup>n</sup> <sup>O</sup><sup>h</sup><sup>i</sup><sup>o</sup> <sup>a</sup><sup>n</sup><sup>d</sup> <sup>t</sup><sup>h</sup><sup>e</sup> <sup>d</sup><sup>o</sup>wn<sup>s</sup><sup>t</sup><sup>r</sup><sup>e</sup><sup>a</sup><sup>m</sup> yi<sup>e</sup><sup>l</sup><sup>d</sup><sup>s</sup> <sup>a</sup><sup>t</sup> <sup>W</sup><sup>a</sup><sup>t</sup><sup>e</sup><sup>r</sup>vi<sup>l</sup><sup>l</sup><sup>e</sup> (<sup>a</sup><sup>p</sup><sup>p</sup><sup>r</sup><sup>o</sup>xi<sup>m</sup><sup>a</sup><sup>t</sup><sup>e</sup><sup>l</sup><sup>y</sup> 90% of the drainage basin).

#### 3.2 Study Methods

The basic approach of this study was to measure sediment and nutrient loss from small agricultural watersheds and plots on major soils in the Maumee River Basin and compare these losses with those from larger areas in the Basin.

Five sites were chosen in Defiance County on four major soils of the Basin (Figure 1 and Table 1) ranging from 0.6 to 3.2 ha in area. Surface runoff was monitored at all sites and the anticology on the Indian one Paulding and Blown, it contegrated and it and monitoring system and integrated sampler was used so that all events were monitored. The sampling period  $\frac{1}{2}$   $\frac{1}{2}$  so so difference in sediment and nutrient loss are a runcaton of soil differences. Research was mont octed at each stac. At one office or different research station in Wood County, eight plots (0.0h ha) on Hoytville soil were subjected to number of different tillage treatments and runoff and tile drainage monitors sediments and hasticity roading data were obtained from two other study areas in the Maumee, the Black Creek Sec. <sup>108</sup> study in Allen County, Indiana and the monitoring study by Heidelberg College at Waterville, Ohio on the main stem of the Maumee (Figure ). Similar data was also obtained from the Portage River TMACOG Sec. <sup>208</sup> study. The Portage River Basin is adjacent to the Maurice and Haup similar solly doc.

The drainage areas of the various study sites vary from 0.0h—3.2 hectares for the Ohio Task C study to 735 to 890 hectares in the Black Creek study. 110 in the Portage, and 11,000 km2 at Waterville. Comparison of unit area sediment and nutrient losses from these areas will give some indication of delivery ratio, and comparison of monthly losses will indicate active runoff periods on the upland landscape as well as for the whole Basin.

Table described the data sets used in this study as obtained from the status described above. The data per banning to the Black Creek Watersheds is from Purdue University. The data for the Maumee River at Waterville and the Portage River at Woodville were obtained from the River Studies Laboratory at Heidelberg College, Tiffin, Ohio. The River Studies Laboratory performed all sampling and laboratory analysis for both the USACOE and TMACOG. The sampling for both programs was performed in exactly the same fashion, differing only in the time period of performance. Sampling was continuous from January  $\frac{1}{2}$ , to June 1977 (the period covered in this report), and is continuing.

Physical, chemical and mineralogical characteristics of major soils in the Basin, as well as suspended and bottom sediments, were determined to better understand how soil is eroded and transported, and the changes that sediment undergoes during fluvial transport. In particular, the chemistry of soluble Prosphorus was studied to determine how soluble P is adsorbed and the extent of sediment and the extent to which sediment is enriched with during expect and and the sense of

Interaction of heavy metals in Basin solls, bottom sediments, stream and well water and bedrock were surveyed to determine major sources of metals in the Basin. Mixing of point source metal discharge with sediment in the river and upcake by stream vegetation was determined by detailed sampling above and below chromium discharge on the Ottawa River at Lima, Ohio.



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# The Maumee River Basin

- Water samples
- \* Watersheds
- 1 Hammersmith Roselms
- 2 Crites Roselms
- $3$  Lenewee
- $4 -$ Blount
- $5 -$  Paulding
- 6 Hoytville Plots
- \*- Continuous mass transport stations
- **o** Continuous rain gaging stations

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Table 1. Summary of watershed sites and plots





Table 2. Numbers of Observations in Study Watersheds

#### 3.3 Calculation of Loadings

#### 3.31 Major and Minor Subbasins

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S<sup>a</sup><sup>m</sup><sup>p</sup><sup>l</sup><sup>i</sup><sup>n</sup><sup>g</sup> <sup>m</sup><sup>e</sup><sup>t</sup><sup>h</sup><sup>o</sup><sup>d</sup><sup>s</sup> <sup>i</sup><sup>n</sup> <sup>t</sup><sup>h</sup><sup>e</sup> <sup>M</sup><sup>a</sup>um<sup>e</sup><sup>e</sup> <sup>a</sup><sup>n</sup><sup>d</sup> <sup>P</sup><sup>o</sup><sup>r</sup><sup>t</sup><sup>a</sup><sup>g</sup><sup>e</sup> <sup>R</sup><sup>i</sup>ve<sup>r</sup> <sup>s</sup><sup>t</sup>ud<sup>i</sup><sup>e</sup><sup>s</sup> <sup>m</sup><sup>e</sup><sup>e</sup><sup>t</sup> <sup>t</sup><sup>h</sup><sup>e</sup> <sup>r</sup><sup>e</sup><sup>q</sup>ui<sup>r</sup><sup>e</sup> m<sup>e</sup><sup>n</sup><sup>t</sup><sup>s</sup> <sup>o</sup><sup>f</sup> <sup>r</sup><sup>a</sup><sup>n</sup><sup>d</sup><sup>o</sup><sup>m</sup><sup>n</sup><sup>e</sup><sup>s</sup><sup>s</sup> <sup>i</sup><sup>n</sup> <sup>t</sup><sup>h</sup><sup>a</sup><sup>t</sup> <sup>s</sup><sup>a</sup><sup>m</sup><sup>p</sup><sup>l</sup><sup>e</sup><sup>s</sup> <sup>h</sup><sup>a</sup>ve <sup>b</sup><sup>e</sup><sup>e</sup><sup>n</sup> <sup>t</sup><sup>a</sup><sup>k</sup><sup>e</sup><sup>n</sup> <sup>f</sup><sup>r</sup><sup>o</sup><sup>m</sup> <sup>t</sup><sup>h</sup><sup>e</sup> <sup>t</sup>wo <sup>r</sup><sup>i</sup>ve<sup>r</sup><sup>s</sup> <sup>e</sup>ve<sup>r</sup><sup>y</sup> six hours, except for equipment downtime, for over three years. Of these samples at least one has been analyzed every day. In the event of a rise in the hydrog<sup>r</sup><sup>a</sup><sup>p</sup><sup>h</sup> <sup>d</sup>ue <sup>t</sup><sup>o</sup> <sup>t</sup><sup>h</sup><sup>e</sup> <sup>o</sup><sup>c</sup><sup>c</sup>ur<sup>r</sup><sup>e</sup><sup>n</sup><sup>c</sup><sup>e</sup> <sup>o</sup><sup>f</sup> <sup>s</sup><sup>t</sup><sup>o</sup><sup>r</sup><sup>m</sup> <sup>r</sup>un<sup>o</sup><sup>f</sup><sup>f</sup> <sup>a</sup><sup>l</sup><sup>l</sup> <sup>f</sup><sup>o</sup>ur <sup>o</sup><sup>f</sup> <sup>t</sup><sup>h</sup><sup>e</sup> <sup>s</sup><sup>a</sup><sup>m</sup><sup>p</sup><sup>l</sup><sup>e</sup><sup>s</sup> <sup>t</sup><sup>a</sup><sup>k</sup><sup>e</sup><sup>n</sup> <sup>d</sup>ur<sup>i</sup><sup>n</sup><sup>g</sup> the course of a day and for the duration of the runoff event are analyzed. S<sup>a</sup><sup>m</sup><sup>p</sup><sup>l</sup><sup>i</sup><sup>n</sup><sup>g</sup> <sup>f</sup><sup>r</sup><sup>e</sup><sup>q</sup>ue<sup>n</sup><sup>c</sup><sup>y</sup> <sup>i</sup><sup>s</sup> <sup>n</sup><sup>o</sup><sup>t</sup> <sup>o</sup><sup>t</sup><sup>h</sup><sup>e</sup><sup>r</sup>wi<sup>s</sup><sup>e</sup> <sup>a</sup><sup>l</sup><sup>t</sup><sup>e</sup><sup>r</sup><sup>e</sup><sup>d</sup> <sup>d</sup>ur<sup>i</sup><sup>n</sup><sup>g</sup> <sup>s</sup><sup>t</sup><sup>o</sup><sup>r</sup><sup>m</sup><sup>s</sup>.

<sup>I</sup><sup>n</sup> <sup>t</sup><sup>h</sup><sup>e</sup> <sup>B</sup><sup>l</sup><sup>a</sup><sup>c</sup><sup>k</sup> <sup>C</sup><sup>r</sup><sup>e</sup><sup>e</sup><sup>k</sup> <sup>s</sup><sup>t</sup>ud<sup>i</sup><sup>e</sup><sup>s</sup> <sup>t</sup><sup>h</sup><sup>e</sup> <sup>s</sup><sup>a</sup><sup>m</sup><sup>p</sup><sup>l</sup><sup>i</sup><sup>n</sup><sup>g</sup> <sup>i</sup><sup>s</sup> <sup>n</sup><sup>o</sup><sup>n</sup>—r<sup>a</sup><sup>n</sup><sup>d</sup><sup>o</sup><sup>m</sup>. <sup>S</sup><sup>a</sup><sup>m</sup><sup>p</sup><sup>l</sup><sup>e</sup><sup>s</sup> <sup>t</sup><sup>h</sup><sup>e</sup><sup>r</sup><sup>e</sup> were taken on a one sample per week basis except in the case of a storm of more t<sup>h</sup><sup>a</sup><sup>n</sup> <sup>2</sup>.<sup>5</sup> <sup>c</sup><sup>m</sup> <sup>o</sup><sup>f</sup> <sup>s</sup>ur<sup>f</sup><sup>a</sup><sup>c</sup><sup>e</sup> <sup>r</sup>un<sup>o</sup><sup>f</sup><sup>f</sup> <sup>t</sup><sup>o</sup> <sup>s</sup><sup>t</sup><sup>a</sup><sup>r</sup><sup>t</sup> <sup>s</sup><sup>t</sup><sup>a</sup><sup>g</sup><sup>e</sup> <sup>a</sup><sup>c</sup><sup>t</sup>ua<sup>t</sup><sup>e</sup><sup>d</sup> <sup>a</sup>ut<sup>o</sup><sup>m</sup><sup>a</sup><sup>t</sup><sup>i</sup><sup>c</sup> <sup>s</sup><sup>a</sup><sup>m</sup><sup>p</sup><sup>l</sup><sup>e</sup><sup>r</sup> wi<sup>t</sup><sup>h</sup> collection of samples at 30 minute intervals. A third flgw regime is designated for all flows between a defined baseflow (flow >  $0.0221 \text{ m}^3/\text{sec}$  at site 2 or > 0.0107  $m^3$ /sec at site 6) and the large event flows (flow> 0.218  $m^3$ /sec at site 2 and site  $6$ ). No samples are specifically collected in this flow interval un<sup>l</sup><sup>e</sup><sup>s</sup><sup>s</sup> <sup>t</sup><sup>h</sup><sup>e</sup><sup>y</sup> we<sup>r</sup><sup>e</sup> <sup>b</sup><sup>y</sup> <sup>c</sup><sup>h</sup><sup>a</sup><sup>n</sup><sup>c</sup><sup>e</sup> <sup>c</sup><sup>o</sup><sup>l</sup><sup>l</sup><sup>e</sup><sup>c</sup><sup>t</sup><sup>e</sup><sup>d</sup> <sup>d</sup>ur<sup>i</sup><sup>n</sup><sup>g</sup> <sup>t</sup><sup>h</sup><sup>e</sup> <sup>o</sup><sup>n</sup><sup>c</sup><sup>e</sup> we<sup>e</sup><sup>k</sup><sup>l</sup><sup>y</sup> <sup>g</sup><sup>r</sup><sup>a</sup><sup>b</sup> <sup>s</sup><sup>a</sup><sup>m</sup><sup>p</sup><sup>l</sup><sup>i</sup><sup>n</sup><sup>g</sup> <sup>p</sup><sup>r</sup><sup>o</sup><sup>g</sup><sup>r</sup><sup>a</sup><sup>m</sup>.

Since it was desirable to determine loadings on a monthly basis for the purpose of examining variations in sediment and nutrient delivery through the year twelve strata across one year of data are immediately created. For the Maumee and Portage three additional strata are defined within each month:

- 1) baseflow level of flow within each month below which hour-to-hour variations in flow appear to be random;
- 2) rising hydrograph the upside of the hydrograph; and
- 3) falling hydrograph the downside and return to baseflow or new storm.

At the Black Creek sites the same strata are defined and a fourth for all small event flows in the interval defined above is used. The only other difference in definition of strata for Black Creek is that the baseflow value is uniform throughout the year, whereas for the major basins it is defined differently for each month.

Thereafter, calculation of loadings and the error term proceeds as described in Sonzogni et al (1978).

#### 3.32 Experimental Plots

Loadings from the thirteen experimental plots were calculated strictly by the multiplication of a "flow weighted mean" concentration by the total flow for each storm event for surface runoff and total periodic flow from tiles. These plots are very small  $(0.04 - 3.2 \text{ ha})$  and surface flow is ephemeral, occurring only for the duration of storm events. Flow from the tiles is more sustained but still intermittent. The total flow from each event is continuously sampled and composited by the chose proportional pump. The concentration of the composition sample is considered to represent the flow weighted mean concentration of the runoff of the single storm events. However the there have a control presented in tabular form for each month of the two year sampling period for comparison with the monthly loadings of the other basins.

3.33 Other Loading Estimates

All calculations of loadings, including total loads and unit area yields are based on the mean data determined for each month for the major and substitute and one monthly road carearance in the experimental proper The standard error of the mean daily loading estimates is presented in the tables with the term is no experimental form presented for the experimental plot loading estimates.

#### 3.3h Application of Experimental Plot Data to Major Basin Data

The experimental plot watersheds were chosen as representatives of major soil groups found in the Maumee Basin. In order to compare the yields from these plots to yields from the other watersheds in the study it was necessary to derive some mean value of the yields from the plots. simple arithmetic mean of complete soils ones occur less frequently too much and solls that are abundant over lightly. We felt that an area weighted mean could be used to effect the extrapolation of the experimental plot data for the comparison.

Obviously, the six soils of the plots do not perfectly represent all the some in the magnet first basin, but they do represent all major physiographic types found and a full range of slope categories, drainage types and soil the only purpose of this reclassification is to provide figures f<sup>o</sup><sup>r</sup> <sup>t</sup><sup>h</sup><sup>e</sup> <sup>e</sup>xt<sup>r</sup><sup>a</sup><sup>p</sup><sup>o</sup><sup>l</sup><sup>a</sup><sup>t</sup><sup>i</sup><sup>o</sup><sup>n</sup>. <sup>N</sup><sup>o</sup> <sup>f</sup>ur<sup>t</sup><sup>h</sup><sup>e</sup><sup>r</sup> us<sup>e</sup> <sup>s</sup><sup>h</sup><sup>o</sup>ul<sup>d</sup> <sup>o</sup><sup>r</sup> wi<sup>l</sup><sup>l</sup> <sup>b</sup><sup>e</sup> <sup>m</sup><sup>a</sup><sup>d</sup><sup>e</sup> <sup>o</sup><sup>f</sup> <sup>t</sup><sup>h</sup><sup>e</sup><sup>s</sup><sup>e</sup> <sup>f</sup><sup>i</sup><sup>g</sup>ur<sup>e</sup><sup>s</sup>. The soil series and their area weights are:

 $Area +$ 



#### 3.h Key Parameters Studied

Based on previous work in Lake Erie and other Great Lakes, the key parameters identified were: phosphorus, sediment, nitrate, some heavy metals, and toxic organics including DDT and PCB's. Becuase of the relatively large c<sup>o</sup><sup>n</sup><sup>t</sup><sup>r</sup><sup>i</sup><sup>b</sup>ut<sup>i</sup><sup>o</sup><sup>n</sup> <sup>o</sup><sup>f</sup> <sup>t</sup><sup>h</sup><sup>e</sup> <sup>M</sup><sup>a</sup>um<sup>e</sup><sup>e</sup> <sup>R</sup><sup>i</sup>ve<sup>r</sup> <sup>t</sup><sup>o</sup> <sup>t</sup><sup>h</sup><sup>e</sup> <sup>s</sup><sup>e</sup><sup>d</sup><sup>i</sup><sup>m</sup><sup>e</sup><sup>n</sup><sup>t</sup> <sup>a</sup><sup>n</sup><sup>d</sup> <sup>p</sup><sup>h</sup><sup>o</sup><sup>s</sup><sup>p</sup><sup>h</sup><sup>o</sup><sup>r</sup>us <sup>t</sup><sup>r</sup><sup>i</sup><sup>b</sup>ut<sup>a</sup><sup>r</sup><sup>y</sup> <sup>l</sup><sup>o</sup><sup>a</sup><sup>d</sup> to Lake Erie, sediment, total P and dissolved inorganic P were chosen as t<sup>h</sup><sup>e</sup> <sup>m</sup><sup>a</sup><sup>i</sup><sup>n</sup> <sup>p</sup><sup>a</sup><sup>r</sup><sup>a</sup><sup>m</sup><sup>e</sup><sup>t</sup><sup>e</sup><sup>r</sup><sup>s</sup> <sup>o</sup><sup>f</sup> <sup>s</sup><sup>t</sup>udy. <sup>N</sup><sup>i</sup><sup>t</sup><sup>r</sup><sup>a</sup><sup>t</sup><sup>e</sup>—N wa<sup>s</sup> <sup>a</sup><sup>l</sup><sup>s</sup><sup>o</sup> <sup>s</sup><sup>t</sup>ud<sup>i</sup><sup>e</sup><sup>d</sup> <sup>i</sup><sup>n</sup><sup>t</sup><sup>e</sup><sup>n</sup><sup>s</sup><sup>i</sup>ve<sup>l</sup><sup>y</sup> <sup>b</sup><sup>e</sup><sup>c</sup><sup>a</sup>us<sup>e</sup> <sup>o</sup><sup>f</sup> <sup>t</sup><sup>h</sup><sup>e</sup> <sup>r</sup><sup>e</sup><sup>l</sup><sup>a</sup><sup>t</sup><sup>i</sup>ve<sup>l</sup><sup>y</sup> <sup>h</sup><sup>i</sup><sup>g</sup><sup>h</sup> <sup>f</sup><sup>l</sup><sup>o</sup><sup>w</sup> we<sup>i</sup><sup>g</sup><sup>h</sup><sup>t</sup><sup>e</sup><sup>d</sup> <sup>m</sup><sup>e</sup><sup>a</sup><sup>n</sup> <sup>c</sup><sup>o</sup><sup>n</sup><sup>c</sup><sup>e</sup><sup>n</sup><sup>t</sup><sup>r</sup><sup>a</sup><sup>t</sup><sup>i</sup><sup>o</sup><sup>n</sup> <sup>i</sup><sup>n</sup> <sup>t</sup><sup>h</sup><sup>e</sup> <sup>M</sup><sup>a</sup>um<sup>e</sup><sup>e</sup> <sup>R</sup><sup>i</sup>ve<sup>r</sup> <sup>a</sup><sup>n</sup><sup>d</sup> t<sup>h</sup><sup>e</sup> <sup>h</sup><sup>e</sup><sup>a</sup>vy us<sup>e</sup> <sup>o</sup><sup>f</sup> <sup>f</sup><sup>e</sup><sup>r</sup><sup>t</sup><sup>i</sup><sup>l</sup><sup>i</sup>ze<sup>r</sup> <sup>n</sup><sup>i</sup><sup>t</sup><sup>r</sup><sup>o</sup><sup>g</sup><sup>e</sup><sup>n</sup> <sup>i</sup><sup>n</sup> <sup>t</sup><sup>h</sup><sup>i</sup><sup>s</sup> <sup>a</sup><sup>g</sup><sup>r</sup><sup>i</sup><sup>c</sup>ul<sup>t</sup>ur<sup>a</sup><sup>l</sup> <sup>B</sup><sup>a</sup><sup>s</sup><sup>i</sup><sup>n</sup>. <sup>H</sup><sup>e</sup><sup>a</sup>vy <sup>m</sup><sup>e</sup><sup>t</sup><sup>a</sup><sup>l</sup><sup>s</sup> and toxic organics were not perceived to be a major problem in the Basin b<sup>e</sup><sup>c</sup><sup>a</sup>us<sup>e</sup> <sup>o</sup><sup>f</sup> <sup>t</sup><sup>h</sup><sup>e</sup> <sup>l</sup><sup>o</sup><sup>w</sup> <sup>i</sup><sup>n</sup><sup>c</sup><sup>i</sup><sup>d</sup><sup>e</sup><sup>n</sup><sup>c</sup><sup>e</sup> <sup>o</sup><sup>f</sup> <sup>h</sup><sup>e</sup><sup>a</sup>vy <sup>i</sup><sup>n</sup><sup>d</sup>us<sup>t</sup><sup>r</sup><sup>y</sup> <sup>a</sup><sup>n</sup><sup>d</sup> <sup>t</sup><sup>h</sup><sup>e</sup> <sup>l</sup><sup>i</sup><sup>m</sup><sup>i</sup><sup>t</sup><sup>e</sup><sup>d</sup> us<sup>a</sup><sup>g</sup><sup>e</sup> <sup>o</sup><sup>f</sup> <sup>i</sup><sup>n</sup><sup>s</sup><sup>e</sup><sup>c</sup><sup>t</sup><sup>i</sup> cides. Metals and pesticides were, however, scanned for background data.

M<sup>o</sup><sup>s</sup><sup>t</sup> (<sup>&</sup>gt; <sup>9</sup><sup>0</sup>%) <sup>o</sup><sup>f</sup> <sup>t</sup><sup>h</sup><sup>e</sup> <sup>p</sup><sup>h</sup><sup>o</sup><sup>s</sup><sup>p</sup><sup>h</sup><sup>o</sup><sup>r</sup>us <sup>e</sup><sup>n</sup><sup>t</sup><sup>e</sup><sup>r</sup><sup>i</sup><sup>n</sup><sup>g</sup> <sup>L</sup><sup>a</sup><sup>k</sup><sup>e</sup> <sup>E</sup><sup>r</sup><sup>i</sup><sup>e</sup> <sup>f</sup><sup>r</sup><sup>o</sup><sup>m</sup> <sup>t</sup><sup>h</sup><sup>e</sup> <sup>M</sup><sup>a</sup>um<sup>e</sup><sup>e</sup> <sup>R</sup><sup>i</sup>ve<sup>r</sup> <sup>i</sup><sup>s</sup> <sup>a</sup><sup>t</sup><sup>t</sup><sup>a</sup><sup>c</sup><sup>h</sup><sup>e</sup><sup>d</sup> <sup>t</sup><sup>o</sup> <sup>s</sup><sup>e</sup><sup>d</sup><sup>i</sup><sup>m</sup><sup>e</sup><sup>n</sup><sup>t</sup>. <sup>S</sup><sup>e</sup><sup>d</sup><sup>i</sup><sup>m</sup><sup>e</sup><sup>n</sup><sup>t</sup>—P <sup>i</sup><sup>s</sup>, <sup>t</sup><sup>h</sup><sup>e</sup><sup>r</sup><sup>e</sup><sup>f</sup><sup>o</sup><sup>r</sup><sup>e</sup>, <sup>a</sup><sup>n</sup> <sup>i</sup><sup>m</sup><sup>p</sup><sup>o</sup><sup>r</sup><sup>t</sup><sup>a</sup><sup>n</sup><sup>t</sup> <sup>p</sup><sup>a</sup><sup>r</sup><sup>a</sup><sup>m</sup><sup>e</sup><sup>t</sup><sup>e</sup><sup>r</sup>. <sup>I</sup><sup>n</sup> this study, it was studied extensively.

#### 4. RESULTS

#### 4.1 Land use and practices

4.11 Land Use

The Maumee River Basin drains  $17,058$  km<sup>2</sup> (6,586 mi<sup>2</sup>) into the Western B<sup>a</sup><sup>s</sup><sup>i</sup><sup>n</sup> <sup>o</sup><sup>f</sup> <sup>L</sup><sup>a</sup><sup>k</sup><sup>e</sup> <sup>E</sup><sup>r</sup><sup>i</sup><sup>e</sup> <sup>a</sup><sup>t</sup> <sup>T</sup><sup>o</sup><sup>l</sup><sup>e</sup><sup>d</sup><sup>o</sup>. <sup>I</sup><sup>t</sup> <sup>h</sup><sup>a</sup><sup>s</sup> <sup>7</sup><sup>3</sup>.<sup>7</sup>, <sup>1</sup><sup>9</sup>.<sup>1</sup>, <sup>a</sup><sup>n</sup><sup>d</sup> <sup>7</sup>.<sup>2</sup>% <sup>o</sup><sup>f</sup> <sup>i</sup><sup>t</sup><sup>s</sup> <sup>a</sup><sup>c</sup><sup>r</sup><sup>e</sup><sup>a</sup><sup>g</sup><sup>e</sup> <sup>i</sup><sup>n</sup> O<sup>h</sup><sup>i</sup><sup>o</sup>, <sup>I</sup><sup>n</sup><sup>d</sup><sup>i</sup><sup>a</sup><sup>n</sup><sup>a</sup> <sup>a</sup><sup>n</sup><sup>d</sup> <sup>M</sup><sup>i</sup><sup>c</sup><sup>h</sup><sup>i</sup><sup>g</sup><sup>a</sup><sup>n</sup>, <sup>r</sup><sup>e</sup><sup>s</sup><sup>p</sup><sup>e</sup><sup>c</sup><sup>t</sup><sup>i</sup>ve<sup>l</sup>y. <sup>S</sup><sup>e</sup>ve<sup>n</sup><sup>t</sup><sup>e</sup><sup>e</sup><sup>n</sup> <sup>O</sup><sup>h</sup><sup>i</sup><sup>o</sup> <sup>c</sup><sup>o</sup>un<sup>t</sup><sup>i</sup><sup>e</sup><sup>s</sup>, <sup>f</sup><sup>o</sup>ur <sup>i</sup><sup>n</sup> Indiana and two in Michigan are wholely or partially in the Basin. Figure 2 i<sup>d</sup><sup>e</sup><sup>n</sup><sup>t</sup><sup>i</sup><sup>f</sup><sup>i</sup><sup>e</sup><sup>s</sup> <sup>t</sup><sup>h</sup><sup>e</sup> <sup>c</sup><sup>o</sup><sup>m</sup><sup>m</sup>un<sup>i</sup><sup>t</sup><sup>i</sup><sup>e</sup><sup>s</sup> <sup>i</sup><sup>n</sup> <sup>t</sup><sup>h</sup><sup>e</sup> <sup>B</sup><sup>a</sup><sup>s</sup><sup>i</sup><sup>n</sup>, <sup>1</sup><sup>9</sup><sup>7</sup> <sup>o</sup><sup>f</sup> wh<sup>i</sup><sup>c</sup><sup>h</sup> <sup>h</sup><sup>a</sup>ve <sup>p</sup><sup>o</sup><sup>p</sup>ul<sup>a</sup><sup>t</sup><sup>i</sup><sup>o</sup><sup>n</sup><sup>s</sup> <sup>g</sup><sup>r</sup><sup>e</sup><sup>a</sup><sup>t</sup><sup>e</sup><sup>r</sup> than 5000. Of the approximately 1.4 million population, about  $75\%$  is centered <sup>i</sup><sup>n</sup> <sup>t</sup><sup>h</sup><sup>e</sup> <sup>T</sup><sup>o</sup><sup>l</sup><sup>e</sup><sup>d</sup><sup>o</sup> (<sup>5</sup><sup>8</sup><sup>0</sup>,<sup>0</sup><sup>0</sup><sup>0</sup>), <sup>F</sup><sup>o</sup><sup>r</sup><sup>t</sup> <sup>W</sup><sup>a</sup>yn<sup>e</sup> (<sup>2</sup><sup>8</sup><sup>1</sup>,<sup>0</sup><sup>0</sup><sup>0</sup>), <sup>L</sup><sup>i</sup><sup>m</sup><sup>a</sup> (<sup>1</sup><sup>7</sup><sup>1</sup>,<sup>5</sup><sup>0</sup><sup>0</sup>) <sup>a</sup><sup>n</sup><sup>d</sup> <sup>F</sup><sup>i</sup><sup>n</sup><sup>d</sup><sup>l</sup><sup>a</sup><sup>y</sup> (30,000) areas. Table 3 gives the total and urban populations for the counties that are wholely in the Basin or have a large percentage of their area in the B<sup>a</sup><sup>s</sup><sup>i</sup><sup>n</sup>. <sup>T</sup><sup>h</sup><sup>e</sup> <sup>a</sup><sup>r</sup><sup>e</sup><sup>a</sup> <sup>o</sup><sup>f</sup> <sup>e</sup><sup>a</sup><sup>c</sup><sup>h</sup> <sup>c</sup><sup>o</sup>un<sup>t</sup><sup>y</sup> <sup>i</sup><sup>s</sup> <sup>a</sup><sup>l</sup><sup>s</sup><sup>o</sup> <sup>g</sup><sup>i</sup>ve<sup>n</sup>. <sup>T</sup><sup>h</sup><sup>i</sup><sup>s</sup> <sup>d</sup><sup>a</sup><sup>t</sup><sup>a</sup> <sup>i</sup><sup>s</sup> <sup>t</sup><sup>a</sup><sup>k</sup><sup>e</sup><sup>n</sup> <sup>f</sup><sup>r</sup><sup>o</sup><sup>m</sup> <sup>t</sup><sup>h</sup><sup>e</sup> PLUARG Task B report for planning subarea (PSA)  $4.2$ . Table  $4$  gives the acreage <sup>o</sup><sup>f</sup> <sup>e</sup><sup>a</sup><sup>c</sup><sup>h</sup> <sup>l</sup><sup>a</sup><sup>n</sup><sup>d</sup> us<sup>e</sup> <sup>b</sup><sup>y</sup> <sup>c</sup><sup>o</sup>un<sup>t</sup>y. <sup>T</sup><sup>h</sup><sup>e</sup> <sup>M</sup><sup>i</sup><sup>c</sup><sup>h</sup><sup>i</sup><sup>g</sup><sup>a</sup><sup>n</sup> <sup>d</sup><sup>a</sup><sup>t</sup><sup>a</sup> <sup>h</sup><sup>a</sup><sup>s</sup> <sup>n</sup><sup>o</sup><sup>t</sup> <sup>b</sup><sup>e</sup><sup>e</sup><sup>n</sup> <sup>i</sup><sup>n</sup><sup>c</sup><sup>l</sup>ud<sup>e</sup><sup>d</sup>. <sup>T</sup><sup>h</sup><sup>e</sup> <sup>l</sup><sup>a</sup><sup>n</sup><sup>d</sup> use data presented here is incomplete as we had to rely on the level B estimates which are based on PSA and not by watershed. A more complete land use inventory <sup>o</sup><sup>f</sup> <sup>t</sup><sup>h</sup><sup>e</sup> <sup>B</sup><sup>a</sup><sup>s</sup><sup>i</sup><sup>n</sup> <sup>h</sup><sup>a</sup><sup>s</sup> <sup>b</sup><sup>e</sup><sup>e</sup><sup>n</sup> <sup>m</sup><sup>a</sup><sup>d</sup><sup>e</sup> <sup>b</sup><sup>y</sup> <sup>L</sup><sup>E</sup><sup>W</sup><sup>M</sup><sup>S</sup> <sup>a</sup><sup>n</sup><sup>d</sup> wi<sup>l</sup><sup>l</sup> <sup>b</sup><sup>e</sup> <sup>a</sup>va<sup>i</sup><sup>l</sup><sup>a</sup><sup>b</sup><sup>l</sup><sup>e</sup> <sup>s</sup><sup>h</sup><sup>o</sup><sup>r</sup><sup>t</sup><sup>l</sup>y, <sup>a</sup><sup>t</sup> wh<sup>i</sup><sup>c</sup><sup>h</sup> <sup>t</sup><sup>i</sup><sup>m</sup><sup>e</sup> our figures will be updated.



Fig. 2. The Maumee River drainage basin.



## Table 3. Population Data By County

To Convert From<br>Square Miles (sq mi)

Square Kilometers (sq km)

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Agriculture in the Maumee River Basin is dominated by the production of only-5 crops: corn, soybeans, wheat, oats and hay. Other crops, including sugar beets and vegetables for processing and the fresh market are very importnat economically, but account for less than  $5%$  (Table 5) of the total acreage harvested in any county in the Basin. Table 6 summarizes the totals of acreages harvested of the five crops in each county of the Basin. For most counties the figures represent the mean of production in l975 and 76. Data was obtained from the 1976 publications of the Michigan, Indiana and Ohio Crop Reporting Services. In addition to the production data these reports were used to derive crop yield, tillage practice and dates of tillage, planting and harvesting data.

The soils.of the Maumee River Basin are highly productive for these crops and precipitation (3h.06 in, 86.5 cm) is ample for unirrigated agriculture. The soils of the Basin are all associated with a glacial origin and include lake deposited, till plain, outwash plain and scattered deposits of sand in beach ridges, ancient sand bars and ground and end moraines. Particle size distribu tions are dominated by the clay fraction, and most soils have high organic matter content. The greatest single agricultural problem is the provision of drainage. When adequate drainage is provided, usually through subsurface tile drains, corn yields in excess of 140 bu/ac are not uncommon. It has been estimated that upwards of 50% of the cropland in the Maumee Basin is underdrained.

h.l3 County Crop Rotations

In order to derive C, tillage or conservation practice, factors for the Universal Soil Loss Equation it was necessary to quantify the acreage of cropland in the Basin in a variety of logical crop rotations. Observations of typical rotations and practices suggest six assumptions which enable the use of the county production data to calculate the acreage of cropland in each county which is typically in one of 7 rotation patterns.

The assumptions are:

- l. The effect of soil type and physiography on crop rotation is sufficiently accounted for by using county crop reporting statistics.
- 2. All wheat is in a corn—soybean—wheat rotation.
	- 2A. 50% of acres of hay harvested modifies this rotation to:
	- 2B. 100% of all oats are planted in the spring following corn.

The resulting rotation is:  $C Sb O W$ 

- 3. The remaining corn and soybeans after 2 is in corn soybean rotation: C Sb
- 4. Any remaining corn or soybeans after 3 is: Cont. C or Cont. Sb.
- 5. 50% of acres of hay harvested is in permanent pasture
- 6. All other crops are ignored due to very small percentage of total cropland involved.



Table 5. Agricultural Land Use in Planning Subarea 4.2

Current normal represents present yield estimate based on 1958-1972 average Measurement is in thousands of acres or hectares Totals may not add due to rounding  $\frac{1}{27}$ 

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Table 6. Crop Production in the Maumee River Basin - Acres Harvested (1975-1976)

\*  $1974 - 1975$ 

† 1974 Census of Agriculture

Rotations:

 $4. CSB$ 5. Cont C 6. Cont Sb 1. C Sb W<br>
2. X C Sb W<br>
3. C Sb O W<br>
4. C Sb<br>
5. Cont C<br>
6. Cont Sb<br>
7. Permanent Pasture

T<sup>h</sup><sup>e</sup> <sup>f</sup><sup>i</sup><sup>r</sup><sup>s</sup><sup>t</sup> <sup>a</sup><sup>s</sup><sup>s</sup>um<sup>p</sup><sup>t</sup><sup>i</sup><sup>o</sup><sup>n</sup> <sup>i</sup><sup>s</sup> <sup>n</sup><sup>o</sup><sup>t</sup> <sup>s</sup><sup>t</sup><sup>r</sup><sup>i</sup><sup>c</sup><sup>t</sup><sup>l</sup><sup>y</sup> <sup>t</sup><sup>r</sup>ue wh<sup>e</sup><sup>n</sup> <sup>t</sup><sup>h</sup><sup>e</sup> <sup>d</sup><sup>a</sup><sup>t</sup><sup>a</sup> <sup>i</sup><sup>s</sup> <sup>t</sup><sup>o</sup> <sup>b</sup><sup>e</sup> us<sup>e</sup><sup>d</sup> <sup>f</sup><sup>o</sup><sup>r</sup> c<sup>a</sup><sup>l</sup><sup>c</sup>ul<sup>a</sup><sup>t</sup><sup>i</sup><sup>o</sup><sup>n</sup> <sup>o</sup><sup>f</sup> <sup>s</sup><sup>o</sup><sup>i</sup><sup>l</sup> <sup>l</sup><sup>o</sup><sup>s</sup><sup>s</sup> <sup>e</sup><sup>s</sup><sup>t</sup><sup>i</sup><sup>m</sup><sup>a</sup><sup>t</sup><sup>e</sup><sup>s</sup>. <sup>T</sup><sup>h</sup><sup>i</sup><sup>s</sup> <sup>i</sup><sup>s</sup> <sup>e</sup><sup>s</sup><sup>p</sup><sup>e</sup><sup>c</sup><sup>i</sup><sup>a</sup><sup>l</sup><sup>l</sup><sup>y</sup> <sup>t</sup><sup>r</sup>ue wh<sup>e</sup><sup>n</sup> <sup>t</sup><sup>h</sup><sup>e</sup> <sup>c</sup><sup>o</sup>un<sup>t</sup><sup>y</sup> <sup>i</sup><sup>s</sup> <sup>i</sup><sup>n</sup> <sup>a</sup><sup>n</sup> up<sup>l</sup><sup>a</sup><sup>n</sup><sup>d</sup><sup>s</sup> <sup>s</sup><sup>e</sup><sup>c</sup><sup>t</sup><sup>i</sup><sup>o</sup><sup>n</sup> <sup>o</sup><sup>f</sup> <sup>t</sup><sup>h</sup><sup>e</sup> wa<sup>t</sup><sup>e</sup><sup>r</sup><sup>s</sup><sup>h</sup><sup>e</sup><sup>d</sup> <sup>a</sup><sup>n</sup><sup>d</sup> <sup>p</sup><sup>o</sup><sup>r</sup><sup>t</sup><sup>i</sup><sup>o</sup><sup>n</sup><sup>s</sup> <sup>o</sup><sup>f</sup> <sup>t</sup><sup>h</sup><sup>e</sup> <sup>c</sup><sup>o</sup>un<sup>t</sup><sup>y</sup> <sup>a</sup><sup>r</sup><sup>e</sup> <sup>h</sup><sup>i</sup><sup>l</sup><sup>l</sup><sup>y</sup> while other areas may be very flat. This effect will be partially offset by we<sup>i</sup><sup>g</sup><sup>h</sup><sup>t</sup><sup>i</sup><sup>n</sup><sup>g</sup> <sup>t</sup><sup>h</sup><sup>e</sup> <sup>r</sup><sup>o</sup><sup>t</sup><sup>a</sup><sup>t</sup><sup>i</sup><sup>o</sup><sup>n</sup><sup>s</sup> wh<sup>i</sup><sup>c</sup><sup>h</sup> <sup>i</sup><sup>n</sup><sup>c</sup><sup>l</sup>ud<sup>e</sup> wi<sup>n</sup><sup>t</sup><sup>e</sup><sup>r</sup> <sup>c</sup><sup>o</sup>ve<sup>r</sup>, <sup>s</sup><sup>p</sup><sup>r</sup><sup>i</sup><sup>n</sup><sup>g</sup> <sup>p</sup><sup>l</sup><sup>o</sup>wi<sup>n</sup><sup>g</sup> <sup>a</sup><sup>n</sup><sup>d</sup> <sup>m</sup><sup>e</sup><sup>a</sup><sup>d</sup><sup>o</sup><sup>w</sup> toward the soils which are known to occur on a rolling landscape.

Assumption 2 is obvious from the magnitude of the production of these crops. Almost all farmers in the Basin attempt to utilize this profitable rotation. Assumptions 2A and 2B are known to be predominant alternatives. The 50% of acres of hay harvested is an arbitrary figure which will be lower in uplands counties where permanent pasture is more important and higher in lakebed and till plain areas where there is very little permanent pasture. Assumption 5 follows directly and includes the remainder of the acres of hay harvested in permanent pasture. Assumption 2B is common alternative for the inclusion of oats in a rotation. Following oats the field is planted to winter wheat. All oats are included in this rotation. The resultant rotation is corn—soybeans—oats—wheat.

Assumption 3 places the remainder of the corn and soybeans, except for the absolute difference between the acreage in corn and soybeans, into a cornsoybean rotation. Assumption  $\frac{1}{4}$  places the difference between corn and soybean acreage harvested, whichever is greater, into monoculture of that crop: continuous corn or continuous soybeans.

The last assumption places all cropland into production of the five major crops. AS stated earlier, the production of sugar beets and vegetables are economically important in the Basin, but account for less than 5% of the cropland in any of the counties.

These assumptions provide seven equations in seven unknowns to calculate the seven major rotations found in the watershed:

 $(C Sb O W) = Oats X 4$  $(C Sb W M) = (.5 (Hay)) x 4$ (Permanent Pastures) =  $(5 (Hay)) x 1$  $(C 5b W) = ((Wheat) - (0ats + 0.5 Hay)) x 3$  $(C Sb) = ((lesser of C or Sb) - Wheat) x 2$ if C Sb  $(Cont. Sb) = (Soybeans - Corn) x 1$ if Sb  $(Cont. Corn) = (Corn - Soybeans) x 1$ 

Each result is much in the number of years in the rotation and give beyond the average number of acres in each of the seven rotations in each county in given years to the result of the carculations.

Table  $\cdot$  7. Acreage of major rotation by county in the Maumee River Basin.



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h.lh Tillage practices and timing of farm operations

The nature and timing of tillage operations in the Maumee River Basin are influenced, as they are anywhere, by the nature of the soils, weather patterns and prevailing popular notions. Most soils are wet and difficult to till during the spring. Since crop yields are significantly reduced by late planting most farmers take the opportunity of dry fall weather to plow their land and reduce the risk of losses due to a wet spring. The moldboard plow is by far the predominant tillage implement.

USDA—SOS District Conservationists were surveyed in an earlier study of erosion in the Maumee River Basin (Maumee Level B study Erosion and sedimentation technical report, 1975) as to the extent of common tillage practices in each county in the Basin. Table  $8$  lists the results of that survey. Some changes in the originally published table have been made as a result of further interviews taken during this study with agronomists familiar with the Basin.

It is approximate that the mold time with the moldboard players and the players of the conis by far the dominant practice with 60% of the croppening in the Basin being the manner. With the emergence of bowerful digence of capable of plowing more is a very mean rate of speed to the athol apparent the single different percentage of the fall plants will continue to grow for at least several years.

The third column represents form of tillage which is growing rapidly in the Maumee Basing, applied on land to be premiud to winter wheat following soybeans. This system is growing in popularity because it is I complished rate permitted contract brancing of wheat. The system also and till the till and systems in which tillage, for all till and planting are accomplished in single operation. Unfortunately there is some question as to when you of reduced stringe reduces soil loss. Apploximately 30% of the soybean residue is incorporated, and leaves a mulch of only the contract of the co  $\frac{1}{2}$  less acre or approximately 30% surface coverage. Manner ring (1977) has reported that low percentages of residue cover in fall reduced tillage and the control of systems are effective in controlling soil loss than conventional fall tillage due to the offsetting effect of roughness obtained in plowing.

#### h.lS Livestock

Table summarizes livestock production in Maumee River Basin counties, Mercer county is the major poultry producer, while Fulton county is the major (primarily) and swine producer. Most livestock operations in the Basin are confined systems. Loss of nutrients from improper handling of was the contribute problem but does not appear to greatly contribute to nutrient loads in the Maumee Basin.

#### b.16 Point sources

Urban and rural domestic land use has been studied extensively by others (TMACOG Sec. 208, Maumee Level B study, LEWMS) and will not be discussed here. The major point source discharges above waterville are at Fort wayne and Lima. The correction is the major point source in the Basin but is not included in Waterville loadings since it lies below Waterville. Toledo's input of number of considered a major source of nutrients to the Western Basin of Lake Erie because of its proximity to the lake.



Table  $\beta$ , Tillage fractions used in the Basin  $(\phi \circ f)$ 

1. Conventional, Spring Plow, Plant, Cultivate

2. Conventional, Fall Plow, Plant, Cultivate

Disk, Plant, Cultivate (minimum tillage)

No tillage

Other firms of minimum tillage (1 - chisel plow, disc and plant, 2 - fall chipel plow, chipel plow, fall chisel chisel plow, it could Fall Plow, Plant,<br>  $\therefore$  Conventional, Fall Plow, Plant,<br>  $\therefore$  Disk, Plant, Cultivate (minimum<br>  $\therefore$  No tillage<br>  $\therefore$  Other firms of minimum tillage (<br>
chisel plow, 3 - chisel plow, 4<br>  $\frac{1}{6}$  - fall and spring chise



#### Intensive Livestock Operations by County, 1969 Table 9.

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#### h.2 Soils in the Maumee River Basin

The soils of the Maumee River Basin are developed under glacial deposits of recent origin. The last phases of the late Wisconsin glacial period occurred less than 8000 years ago. Soil parent materials can be divided into four groups:

- glacial till associated with the various moraines in the Basin and also intermorainal areas
- lacustrine sediments in the Lake Plain region
- beach ridges associated with the glacial Lake Maumee
- stream alluvial deposits

Figure  $3$  (Black Creek study, 1973) shows the distribution of major soil associations in the Basin. The Morley-Blount—Pewamo and Blount—Pewamo associations account for the greatest acreage of soils in the Basin. Formed in glacial till, they occur along the perimeter of the Basin and constitute the more sloping region of the watershed. The Hoytville—Toledo—Napanee association occurs in the central basin and are formed from till and lacustrine materials. In the center of the Basin, the Paulding—Latty—Roselms association occurs in the Lake Plain. Table 10 identifies the major soil series and their percentages in the entire Basin and in the Ohio area. The Maumee Level Erosion and Sedimentation Technical report grouped soils in the Basin into 50 soil resource groups (SRG). These are given in Table 11.

#### 4.3 Loading Results

#### 4.31 Overview

Figures  $4-7$  give hydrographs for the Maumee and Portage Rivers and one of the Black Creek watersheds, The flashier nature of the Black Creek watershed is due to its smaller drainage area and higher percentage of sloping soils.

Table12 presents the total (all pollution sources) annual sediment and nutrient loading and unit area yields for all study watersheds in the Maumee and Portage River basins including the Black Creek watershed subbasin and the experimental plots in Defiance and Wood Counties, Ohio. The loading for the Maumee does not include any of the point or diffuse loading from the City of Toledo or the drainage below the gauging station at Waterville.

Tables 13 through 16 present the monthly loading rates (metric tonnes/day) during each month of the study periods on the Maumee, Portage and the two Black Creek Watershed subbasins. The figures presented in these tables are the results of the application of the Beale Ratio Estimator method of calculation to the chemical measurements and continuous flow records at each of the sampling sites.

Tables lYand 18 present the total monthly and annual loads, flow weighted mean concentrations and monthly and annual total transport unit area yields for the Maumee and Portage River basins. Also presented, in the last three columns Of each table are the mean daily flow, basinwide runoff and mean basinwide Precipitation for each month of the study period.





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#### SOILS DOMINANTLY FORMED IN GLACIAL TILL

- BLOUNT PEWAND ASSOCIATION: Depressional to gently sloping,  $\overline{1}$ very poorly drained to somewhat poorly drained soils that have clayey subscils.
- MORLEY-BLOUNT-PEWAMO ASSOCIATION: Depressional to<br>moderately steep, very poorly drained to moderately well-drained  $\mathbf{2}$ soils that have clayey subsoils.
- MIAMI-CONOVER ASSOCIATION: Nearly level to moderately steep.  $\overline{3}$ well-drained and somewhat poorly drained soils that have loamy subsoils.
- HILLSDALE-FOX ASSOCIATION: Gently sloping to moderately steep, вкавчал са well-drained soils that have loamy subspils. Barner:

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- HOYTVILLE-TOLEDO-NAPPPINEE ASSOCIATION: Depressional to gently sloping, very poorly drained and somewhat poorly drained soils
- that have clayey subscils. SOILS DOVINA: TLY FORMED IN WATER-DEPOSITED
- MATERIAL, OFGANIC MATERIAL, AND EOLIAN MATERIAL
- CARLISLE-MONTGOMERY ASSOCIATION: Depressional and nearly  $E_{\text{uncert}}$ level, very phorty dialned soils that have organic and clayey subsoils.
- PAULDING-LATTY-ROSELMS ASSOCIATION. Depressional and  $\overline{z}$ nearly ievel, very poorly drained and somewhat poorly drained soils  $\dots$ that have clayey subsoils.
- HANEY-BELLMORE-MILLGROVE ASSOCIATION: Depressional to  $\mathbb{F}_8$ strongly sinoing, very poorly drained, moderately well-drained, and نادگا well-drained soils that have loany subsoils.
- MERMILL-HASKINS-KAUSEON ASSOCIATION: Depressional and  $300$ nearly level, very poorly drained and somewhat poorly drained soils that have idamy and clayey subsoils.
- OTTOKEE-GRANBY ASSOCIATION: Depressional to sloping, very  $10.1$ poorly drained, poorly drained, moderately weil-drained soils that have sandy subsoils.



Table 10- Soils found with the Ohio section of the Maumee River Basin.

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Table 11. Soil resource groups (SRG) in the Maumee River Basin (Maumee Level B Erosion and Sedimentation Technical Report (1975).



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Figure 4. Flow hydrographs for Maumee River at Waterville, 1975.

Figure 5. Flow hydrographs for Maumee River at Waterville, 1976.





Figure 6. Flow hydrographs for Portage River at Woodville, 1976.

Figure 7. Flow hydrographs for Black Creek site 2, 1975.





 $1.92(-4) = 1.92 \times 10$ 

(Mean of all plot'a)

### TABLE <sup>13</sup> LOADING RATES AND STANDARD ERRORS:



### TABLE 13 (continued)

### MAUMEE RIVER @ WATERVILLE







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### TABLE <sup>14</sup> (continued)



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### TABLE 15 LOADING RATES AND STANDARD ERRORS:

BLACK CREEK - SITE 2



### TABLE <sup>16</sup> LOADING RATES AND STANDARD ERRORS:



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### TABLE 17 MONTHLY TOTAL LOAD, FLOW WEIGHTED MEAN CONCENTRATION UNIT AREA YIELD, MEAN FLOW, RUNOFF AND PRECIPITATION: MAUMEE RIVER AT WATERVILLE

### MAUMEE RIVER AT WATERVILLE



# TABLE 17 (continued)



MEAN FLOW, RUNOFF AND PRECIPITATION: PORTAGE RIVER AT WO AREA YIELD, PORTAGE RIVER AT WOODVILLE



PORTAGE RIVER & WOODVILLE

# TABLE 18 (continued)



Table l9presents the monthly and annual total chloride loading for 1975 and 1976 for the Maumee and Portage River basins. The unit yields of chloride for 1975 and 1976 were for the Maumee: 127 and 77 kg/ha/yr and for the Portage: 138 and 100 kg/ha/yr. These yields are at the high extreme of chloride loadings for general agriculture and at the low extreme of general urban land use as observed in other Task C pilot watershed studies. The loadings appear to be directly related to flow, and do not appear to be drastically reduced in the low flow relative to the high flow months. Cer tainly much of the chloride originates as a result of road deicing operations. The lesser reduction in the Portage River relative to the Maumee in the low flow year,  $1976$ , is probably a result of a higher degree of urbanization and larger percentage of point source inputs into that basin. The City of Bowling Green is not located within the watershed, but does discharge its sewage treatment plant and considerable portion of its urban runoff to the Portage rather than the Maumee.

### h.32 Discussion of Monthly Loading

The yield per unit area per month from the study area watersheds varied greatly throughout the 2—1/2 years of monitoring. The variation in seasonal loading for all watersheds was much more pronounced than the variation in monthly loadings between watersheds. Table20 summarizes the yield per unit area per month of sediment from all watersheds. Table21 and22 express the ratio of each watershed yield to the area weighted mean yield of the experimental plots for sediment and total phosphorus, respectively. Table20 must be consulted in conjunction with Tables 21 and 22, becuase when the magnitude of the watershed and plot yields is not very large the percent difference is not really significant.

The most interesting point is that in many the amount of during the late winter and spring months when the magnitudes of the yields are very large, that the percentage difference because watersheds may not be very large. That is, the state that the wind are a strong and the Maurice Basin and a whole is stilling. the yields from the plots.

 $I = \frac{1}{2}$   $\frac{1}{2}$   $\frac{1}{2}$ and phosphorus, respectively, of the yield from the plots. The same pattern is repeated during several other winter months: December 1975, March 1976,  $\frac{1}{2}$  and  $\frac{1}{2}$  is these six months accounted for  $\frac{1}{2}$  of the total sediment load from the Maumee River Basin during the comparison period July to June 1977. Most of the transport took place in only a few days during those months.

10f the storms in 1975 and 1976 (precipited four records for 1977 were not available) which produced such large sediment transport events all were basinwide storms with rainfall on the order of 2.5 to  $4$ . cm over a period of two to seven  $\frac{1}{2}$  runsel ranged from 60% to 177% of basinwide mean precipitation. Considerable snowmelt was included in the February <sup>1976</sup> storms.

The second major point of comparison is the summer period when intense storms can produce considerable sediment movement on very small areas without that second appearing at the major basin stations. The most significant case in point occurred during August <sup>1975</sup> when total monthly precipitation records were set the Maumee River Basin. The Dasinwide mean precipitation total was 15 must be said that much of this occurred in relatively long duration summer cold front storms of much less intensity than the usual summer convergence socials. However, the experimental plots did experinece their maximum  $\frac{1}{2}$  soil loss of the study period during this month: 1,206 kg/ha (basin

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CHLORIDE (MONTHLY LOAD METRIC)



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# TABLE 20



SUMMARY OF WATERSHED UNIT AREA YIELDS - SEDIMENT (KG/HA/MO)





- No watershed data

\* No significant yield from plots



Table '22 <sup>W</sup><sup>A</sup><sup>T</sup><sup>E</sup><sup>R</sup><sup>S</sup><sup>H</sup><sup>E</sup><sup>D</sup> <sup>T</sup><sup>O</sup><sup>T</sup><sup>A</sup><sup>L</sup> <sup>P</sup><sup>H</sup><sup>O</sup><sup>S</sup><sup>P</sup><sup>H</sup><sup>O</sup><sup>R</sup><sup>U</sup><sup>S</sup> <sup>Y</sup><sup>I</sup><sup>E</sup><sup>L</sup><sup>D</sup> <sup>A</sup><sup>S</sup> <sup>P</sup><sup>E</sup><sup>R</sup><sup>C</sup><sup>E</sup><sup>N</sup><sup>T</sup><sup>A</sup><sup>G</sup><sup>E</sup> <sup>O</sup><sup>F</sup> AREA WEIGHTED MEAN PLOT TOTAL PHOSPHORUS YIELD

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No yield from plots

some  $s$  is about 23% of the total soil loss during the comparison period described above.

These storms were basinwide yet produced only 1.0h cm of runoff (6.6% of  $t_{\text{th}}$  precipitation) in the Maumee River at Waterville. Less than 0.5 of 1% the plots soil loss appeared in runoff at Waterville. The outlets of most of the plots are located where these fields drain into confined natural or manmade drainage channels. The ultimate fate of sediment washed from fields during these periods cannot be accurately determined. There are two major possibilities. major museum of the demporarily stored in the drainage network until the spring when major runoff wash it to the river and Lake Erie. Or, since these drainage channels of the completely dry during the late summer, the sediment stored are the period may become so indurated that it can leave the channel only by periodic ditch maintenance dredging. It is well known that ditches in the manuscus mostly aggrading and do require such maintenance. The lack of variability in sediment and nutrient transport between the experimental plots, minor and major subbasins poses a very important point for the management of diffuse source pollutant transport. If it can be assumed, or ultimately proven, that the sediment dislodged from the soil profile during the winter months is delivered to the river mouth monitoring stations at a very high delivery ratio and that sediment dislogged during the summer months does not play an important role in the pollution of the Great Lakes then a drastic revision of the land management practices currently promoted by the Soil Conservation Service will be required.

Practices which control summertime erosion will not significantly reduce the post-common common tillage practice currently employed in the basin, fall moldboard plowing, may have to be, wherever feasible, abandoned. Modern tillage and non-tillage crop production systems which maintain a cover of the previous years crop residue on the surface of the land will have to adopted.

### h.33 Point Source Doad Summary

The point source loadings for major subbasins of the Maumee River Basin are summarized in Table 23. These loadings were summarized from the detailed point source inventory which was made by the Lake Erie Wastewater Management Study (1975). The figures for the subtotal for the Maumee River above Waterville and the grand total for the Maumee River at the mouth are larger than the sum of the subbasin totals. This is because the LEWMS report did not prepare substitute to the local the data files and did not map the location of all point sources. The subbasin copare in Table  $23$  were made by locating the entities on the maps and ascribing the load to the subbasin. Since many of the very small discharges were not locatable on the maps their loads do not appear in the subbasin to barb, but they are included in the mailor basin totals.

Table 24 is the monthly subbasin loading summary. It was prepared on the assumption to point source roadings are contenuous throughout the year, and is sembel one awarrant of one coast annual load. Reliable data on the annual loading of suspended solids were not available.

### TABLE 23

### POINT SOURCE LOAD SUMMARY



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## MONTHLY DISTRIBUTION OF POINT SOURCE LOADING



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T<sup>a</sup><sup>b</sup><sup>l</sup><sup>e</sup><sup>s</sup> <sup>2</sup><sup>5</sup>, <sup>2</sup><sup>7</sup>,<sup>2</sup><sup>9</sup> <sup>a</sup><sup>n</sup><sup>d</sup> <sup>3</sup><sup>0</sup> <sup>p</sup><sup>r</sup><sup>e</sup><sup>s</sup><sup>e</sup><sup>n</sup><sup>t</sup> <sup>t</sup><sup>h</sup><sup>e</sup> <sup>d</sup><sup>i</sup><sup>f</sup><sup>f</sup>us<sup>e</sup> <sup>s</sup><sup>o</sup>ur<sup>c</sup><sup>e</sup> yi<sup>e</sup><sup>l</sup><sup>d</sup> <sup>p</sup><sup>e</sup><sup>r</sup> un<sup>i</sup><sup>t</sup> <sup>a</sup><sup>r</sup><sup>e</sup><sup>a</sup> for the Maumee, Portage, Black Creek-Site 2 and Black Creek-Site 6, respectively. T<sup>a</sup><sup>b</sup><sup>l</sup><sup>e</sup><sup>s</sup> <sup>2</sup><sup>6</sup> <sup>a</sup><sup>n</sup><sup>d</sup> <sup>2</sup><sup>8</sup> <sup>p</sup><sup>r</sup><sup>e</sup><sup>s</sup><sup>e</sup><sup>n</sup><sup>t</sup> <sup>t</sup><sup>h</sup><sup>e</sup> <sup>t</sup><sup>o</sup><sup>t</sup><sup>a</sup><sup>l</sup> <sup>d</sup><sup>i</sup><sup>f</sup><sup>f</sup>us<sup>e</sup> <sup>s</sup><sup>o</sup>ur<sup>c</sup><sup>e</sup> <sup>l</sup><sup>o</sup><sup>a</sup><sup>d</sup><sup>i</sup><sup>n</sup><sup>g</sup> <sup>f</sup><sup>o</sup><sup>r</sup> <sup>t</sup><sup>h</sup><sup>e</sup> <sup>M</sup><sup>a</sup>um<sup>e</sup><sup>e</sup> <sup>a</sup><sup>n</sup><sup>d</sup> t<sup>h</sup><sup>e</sup> <sup>P</sup><sup>o</sup><sup>r</sup><sup>t</sup><sup>a</sup><sup>g</sup><sup>e</sup>, <sup>r</sup><sup>e</sup><sup>s</sup><sup>p</sup><sup>e</sup><sup>c</sup><sup>t</sup><sup>i</sup>ve<sup>l</sup>y. <sup>B</sup><sup>o</sup><sup>t</sup><sup>h</sup> <sup>m</sup><sup>o</sup><sup>n</sup><sup>t</sup><sup>h</sup><sup>l</sup><sup>y</sup> <sup>a</sup><sup>n</sup><sup>d</sup> <sup>a</sup><sup>n</sup><sup>n</sup>ua<sup>l</sup> va<sup>l</sup>ue<sup>s</sup> <sup>f</sup><sup>o</sup><sup>r</sup> <sup>e</sup><sup>a</sup><sup>c</sup><sup>h</sup> wa<sup>t</sup><sup>e</sup><sup>r</sup><sup>s</sup><sup>h</sup><sup>e</sup><sup>d</sup> and parameter are given.

T<sup>a</sup><sup>b</sup><sup>l</sup><sup>e</sup><sup>s</sup> <sup>3</sup><sup>1</sup> <sup>t</sup><sup>h</sup><sup>r</sup><sup>o</sup>ug<sup>h</sup> <sup>3</sup><sup>7</sup> <sup>p</sup><sup>r</sup><sup>e</sup><sup>s</sup><sup>e</sup><sup>n</sup><sup>t</sup> <sup>t</sup><sup>h</sup><sup>e</sup> un<sup>i</sup><sup>t</sup> <sup>a</sup><sup>r</sup><sup>e</sup><sup>a</sup> yi<sup>e</sup><sup>l</sup><sup>d</sup><sup>s</sup> <sup>b</sup><sup>y</sup> <sup>m</sup><sup>o</sup><sup>n</sup><sup>t</sup><sup>h</sup><sup>s</sup> <sup>f</sup><sup>o</sup><sup>r</sup> <sup>a</sup><sup>l</sup><sup>l</sup> <sup>t</sup><sup>h</sup><sup>e</sup> Maumee Task C Pilot Watershed Study Experimental plots. These are total diffuse source loads (there are no point sources). On the plots which were tiled, Lenawee, Blount, Paulding and Hoytville, the figures represent the total of surface and tile transport. Table31 is the "basinwide soil area weighted mean" yield of the plots. The yield of each plot was weighted into a mean figure for use in the extrapolation of basinwide loading comparisons. The method of area weighting was described earlier in this report. The yields in Table37 for the Hoytville soil are the mean of the yields from  $8$  separate plots. There were no measurements of yield from any of the plots prior to July 1975 except the Hoytville plots where sampling began in May 1975.

### 4.35 Loadings from tile drainage

Runoff and tile drainage losses of sediment and nutrients from the Defiance watersheds and Hoytville plots are summarized in Table  $38$ . Lenawee and Hoytville soils are level and have fairly good internal drainage. As a result, tile drainage flow exceeded surface runoff in all cases with resulting low sediment losses. The Blount soil on more sloping ground had significant amounts of tile flow but runoff was still in excess of tile flow. The Paulding soil, a level, high clay soil with poor internal drainage had the least tile flow and the most surface runoff. As a result, soil loss was highest on this soil. The data also show the low amounts of P carried in tile drainage, while considerable amounts of NO -N are carried in tile drainage.

### h.36 Precipitation in the Maumee River Basin 1975—76

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Figure  $\beta$  is an excerpt of one month's data for the station at Defiance, Ohio from the Hourly Precipitation Data reports. Total hourly precipitation is reported to the nearest 0.25h mm (0.01 inch) for each hour of the day. To says and dropp which experienced measurable rainfall (> 0.7)4 mm) are in the report of the final column  $\beta + k \cap n$  and daily about rathfall. Total monthly precipitation is also given for each station in the state in table on the front cover of each report.

since this analysis is primarily concerned with one relationships of rainfall erosion and runoff it was necessary to determine whether precipitation was in the form of snow (or fee, edg.). This was done through the use of NOAA's Local Climatological Data reports for the cities of Toledo and Fort

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TOTAL DIFFUSE SOURCE LOADINGS (METRIC TONS PER MONTH):

TABLE 26 MAUMEE RIVER @ WATERVILLE



YIELD PER UNIT AREA (KILOGRAMS PER HECTARE PER MONTH) :

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TABLE 27 PORTAGE RIVER @ WOODVILLE

### TABLE 28 PORTAGE RIVER @ WOODVILLE

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**YIELD PER UNIT AREA (KILOGRAMS PER HECTARE PER MONTH):** 

-TABLE- 20 BLACK CREEK WATERSHED: SITE-2



YIELD PER UNIT AREA (KILOGRAMS PER HECTARE PER YEAR):



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### TABLE 30 BLACK CREEK WATERSHED : SITE 6

### YIELD FER UNIT AREA (KILDGRAMS FER HECTARE PER MONTH):



YIELD PER UNIT AREA (KILOGRAMS PER HECTARE PER YEAR):



TABLE 31 AREA WEIGHTED MEAN OF ALL PLOTS

YIELD PER UNIT AREA (KILOGRAMS PER HECTARE PER MONTH):



YIELD PER UNIT AREA (KILOGRAMS PER HECTARE PER YEAR):



YIELD PER UNIT AREA (KILOGRAMS PER HECTARE PER MONTH):



YIELD PER UNIT AREA (KILOGRAMS PER HECTARE PER YEAR):



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TABLE 33 WATERSHED:201 SOILTYPE: ROSELMS

YIELD PER UNIT AREA (KILOGRAMS PER HECTARE PER MONTH) :



YIELD PER UNIT AREA (KILOGRAMS PER HECTARE PER YEAR) :



TABLE  $34$ WATERSHED #301+302

SOILTYPE: LENAWEE

YIELD PER UNIT AREA (KILDGRAMS **PER** HECTARE 古戸 MONTH) :



YIELZ PER UNIT AREA (KILOGRAMS PER HECTARE PER YEAR);

1975<br>1976<br>1977

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# TABLE 35 WATERSHED:401+402 SOILTYPE: BLOUNT

YIELD PER UNIT AREA (KILOGRAMS PER HECTARE PER MONTH):



YIELD PER UNIT AREA (KILOGRAMS PER HECTARE PER YEAR):





YIELD PER UNIT AREA (KILOGRAMS PER HECTARE PER MONTH):

YIELD PER UNIT AREA (KILOGRAMS PER HECTARE PER YEAR):



TABLE 37 WATERSHED:6\_1+6\_2 SOILTYPE: HOYTUILLE

DISSOLVED TOTAL SUSPENDED NITRATE & PHOSPHORUS PHOSPHORUS SEDIMENT NITRITE AMMONIA JAN 1975 FEB 1975 MAR 1975 APR 1975  $\begin{array}{cccccccc} \mathtt{MAR} & 1974 & 0.031 & 0.1453 & 29.00 & 0.22 & 0.00 \\ \mathtt{ARR} & 1974 & 0.007 & 0.052 & 2.40 & 0.71 & 0.00 \\ \mathtt{MAY} & 1974 & 0.008 & 0.002 & 4.60 & 1.87 & 0.00 \\ \mathtt{JUL} & 1974 & 0.008 & 0.007 & 1.40 & 0.11 & 0.00 \\ \mathtt{JUL} & 1974 & 0.008 & 0.007$  $0.008$ 

YIELD PER UNIT AREA (KILOGRAMS PER HECTARE PER MONTH):

YIELD PER UNIT AREA (KILOGRAMS PER HECTARE PER YEAR):



Table 38. Sediment and nutrients in runoff and tile drainage (1975-1977).



Wayne. These monthly reports are available only for primary weather data gathering stations in larger cities. Precipitation, rain or snow, moisture equivalent, depth of snow on the ground, daily ranges and means of temperatures as given in the reports provide indices of the nature of the storms. This information was used to determine whether a particular storm was rain or snow. The effect of snow on the ground was not taken into account rigorously in the calculation of rainfall erosion indices. This will not be a serious effect because it seemed that there was usually very little snow on the ground at the beginning of most rainfall storms.

*<u>RESTANCE</u>* 



1975 and 1976 were years of moderate extremes of precipitation in the Maumee River Basin. Table 39 summarizes the total precipitation, normals, and departures from normal for the eight stations with adequate precipitation data for the two years. The last column, Area Weight, indicates the weight of the given station, determined by the method of Thiessen (1911), in the calculation of area weighted mean basin precipitation.

1975 was wet, 97.5 cm (38.40 in.), 11.0 cm  $(4.34$  in.) above normal; 1976 was dry, 71.27 cm (28.06 in), 15.2 cm (6.00 in) below normal. Normal total annual precipitation for the basin is 86.5 cm (34.06 in). The mean of the two years was  $84.4$  cm (33.22 in) and only 2.1 cm  $(0.81$  in) below normal.

Although it would appear that the water budget of the watershed was not degraded over the period it will become apparent in the discussion of runoff (below) that the excesses of 1975 had little effect on the deficiency of 1976.

The distribution of the deviance in precipitation is also interesting. Figure 9 is a graph of normal 1975 and 1976 monthly precipitation at Defiance, Ohio. During both 1975 and 1976 precipitation did not deviate from normal to any great degree during the early months of the year, January through May, or during the Fall months, September through October. The greatest deviations took place during the Summer of 1975, June, July and August, when for the three months precipitation was a total of 21.9 cm  $(8.64 \text{ in})$  above normal. During 1976 precipitation was considerably below normal in April, May, June, August, November and December. The implications of these deviations on runoff, gross erosion and sediment delivery will be discussed in later sections.

In his description of the rainfall erosion factor, R, of the Universal Soil Loss Equation Wischmeier (1965) defines a storm as a period of precipitation of 1.27 cm (0.5 in) unbroken by 6 hours of non-measurable precipitation. This definition has generally been used in this analysis although storms of as little as 1.09 cm  $(0.43$  in) have been included. Tables 40 and 41 summarize the storm and non-storm rainfall at each station and for the Maumee Basin for 1975 and 1976, respectively. There is very little difference between the two





# TABLE 39

SUMMARY OF PRECIPITATION DATA MAUMEE RIVER BASIN

	Normal cm.	1975	Departure	1976	Departure	Area Weight
Defiance	84.63	101.2	16.6	64.9	$-19.7$	
Findlay	90.47	98.0	7.6	79.5	$-11.0$	
Lima	90.27	95.3	5.0	82.3	$-8.0$	
Pandora	90.37	98.9	8.6	65.9	$-24.5$	
St. Mary's	86.79	90.9	4.1	69.9	$-16.9$	
Toledo	80.09	98.0	17.9	73.1	$-7.0$	
Ft. Wayne	90.93	93.3	2.4	66.8	$-24.2$	
Kendallville	87.78	101.0	10.6	87.4	$ -4$	
Maumee Basin	86.5	97.5	11.0	71.27	$-15.2$	

1. Mean of Lima and Findlay

2. Mean of Ft. Wayne and Defiance

Mean  $1975, 76 : 84.4$ Departure :  $-2.1$ 





#### PRECIPITATION OF STORM AND NON-STORM PERIODS <sup>1975</sup>

TABLE 41

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			PRECIPITATION OF STORM AND NON-STORM PERIODS - 1975	
1975	STORM	$\%$	NON-STORM	$\frac{q}{\delta}$
Defiance	62.8	62.0	38.5	38.0
Findlay	64.5	65.8	33.5	34.2
Lima	55.1	57.9	40.1	42.1
Pandora	63.2	63.9	35.8	36.1
St. Mary's	52.3	57.5	38.6	42.5
Toledo	56.7	57.9	41.3	42.1
Ft. Wayne	59.9	64.2	33.4	35.8
Kendallville	56.1	55.6	44.8	44.4
MAUMEE BASIN	59.3			
		60.8 TABLE 41	38.2	39.2
	PRECIPITATION OF STORM AND NON-STORM PERIODS - 1976			
1976	STORM	$\%$	NON-STORM	$\%$
	31.5	48.5	33.4	51.5
	45.2	56.9	34.3	43.1
	46.5	56.5	35.8	43.5
	40.2	60.9	25.7	39.1
	38.9	55.6	31.0	44.4
	38.1	52.1	35.0	47.9
Defiance Findlay Lima Pandora St. Mary's Toledo Ft. Wayne	41.3	61.8	25.5	38.2
Kendallville MAUMEE BASIN	61.5	68.4	28.4	31.6

### PRECIPITION OF STORM AND NON-STORM PERIODS - 1976

years in the percentage of rainfall that came in storms and non-storms, 60.8% as storms in 1975 and 55.9% as storms in 1976. There is, of course, a great difference in total storm precipitation between the two years because of the large difference in total rainfall. Rainfall meeting the definition of a storm fell somewhere in the Maumee River Basin on a total of 67 days in 1975 and 52 days in 1976. Of the total number of storm days 16 in 1975 and 10 in 1976 were of a frontal or basinwide nature. These storms are usually associated with warm fronts advancing across the basin from the west or southwest. This is apparent from the intensity and duration of the rainfall events and the relative time of beginning of the storms as they advance across the basin. The remainder are convective and cold front storms.

#### M.37 Storms and runoff

There are several very important questions about the relationships of storms, runoff, gross erosion and sediment delivery which remain largely unanswered. It has been common practice to treat the summer through early fall months, when the most energetic storms occur, as the most serious period of erosion. If bare soil and identical antecedent moisture conditions are assumed the previous statement is true, but this is seldom the case in a natural system. During July and August, when the most intense thunderstorms may occur, the canopy cover in a corn-soybean agricultural watershed may be nearly 100%. The energy of these storms, as accumulated for calculation of the rainfall erosion factor, may be almost completely dissipated on the leaves of the crops. Large raindrops are broken down and finally reach the surface at reduced velocity and total kinetic energy. Gross sheet erosion is drastically reduced, compaction and sealing of the soil surface is reduced, and infiltration remains higher for a longer time during the storm which is usually of shorter duration than the winter storm. Runoff from equivalent total precipitation storms in the summer is only a small fraction of the runoff from the similar storm in the winter.

Table 42 is a summary of all storms in the Maumee Basin during 1975 and 1976 which produced significant rises in the hydrograph at Waterville, Ohio. The Waterville gauge drainage area, 16,353 sq  $km(6,314$  sq mi) is the furthest gauge downstream, and measures almost total basin runoff. The hydrographs of subbasins have not been examined. The numerals identifying the type of storm indicate how widespread the occurrence of rainfall was over the basin: (1) All stations reported storm class rainfall on the same day - a basinwide storm; (2) All but 1 or 2 stations report a storm rainfall on the same day - a near basinwide storm; (3) All stations report storm rainfall over a period of 2 or more days, but all stations do not report storms on every day - a basinwide storm of extended duration; and  $(4)$  Less than 6 stations reported storm rainfall, but there was a significant rise in the hydrograph at Waterville.  $P$  is the b<sup>a</sup><sup>s</sup><sup>i</sup><sup>n</sup>wi<sup>d</sup><sup>e</sup> <sup>a</sup><sup>r</sup><sup>e</sup><sup>a</sup> we<sup>i</sup><sup>g</sup><sup>h</sup><sup>t</sup><sup>e</sup><sup>d</sup> <sup>t</sup><sup>o</sup><sup>t</sup><sup>a</sup><sup>l</sup> <sup>p</sup><sup>r</sup><sup>e</sup><sup>c</sup><sup>i</sup><sup>p</sup><sup>i</sup><sup>t</sup><sup>a</sup><sup>t</sup><sup>i</sup><sup>o</sup><sup>n</sup>. <sup>Q</sup><sup>m</sup><sup>a</sup><sup>x</sup> <sup>i</sup><sup>s</sup> <sup>t</sup><sup>h</sup><sup>e</sup> <sup>p</sup><sup>e</sup><sup>a</sup><sup>k</sup> <sup>m</sup><sup>e</sup><sup>a</sup><sup>n</sup> <sup>d</sup><sup>a</sup><sup>i</sup><sup>l</sup><sup>y</sup> d<sup>i</sup><sup>s</sup><sup>c</sup><sup>h</sup><sup>a</sup><sup>r</sup><sup>g</sup><sup>e</sup> <sup>i</sup><sup>m</sup><sup>m</sup><sup>e</sup><sup>d</sup><sup>i</sup><sup>a</sup><sup>t</sup><sup>e</sup><sup>l</sup><sup>y</sup> <sup>f</sup><sup>o</sup><sup>l</sup><sup>l</sup><sup>o</sup>wi<sup>n</sup><sup>g</sup> <sup>t</sup><sup>h</sup><sup>e</sup> <sup>s</sup><sup>t</sup><sup>o</sup><sup>r</sup><sup>m</sup>, <sup>a</sup><sup>n</sup><sup>d</sup> <sup>M</sup><sup>A</sup><sup>X</sup> <sup>i</sup><sup>s</sup> <sup>t</sup><sup>h</sup><sup>e</sup> <sup>p</sup><sup>e</sup><sup>a</sup><sup>k</sup> <sup>s</sup>us<sup>p</sup><sup>e</sup><sup>n</sup><sup>d</sup><sup>e</sup><sup>d</sup> <sup>s</sup><sup>o</sup><sup>l</sup><sup>i</sup><sup>d</sup><sup>s</sup> load following the storm.

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 $P = 4.57$  cm  $(1.80 \text{ in}), 8/1-8/5/1976$  produced a peak mean daily discharge of only 61 cu.m/sec (2,160 cfs) which is less than one half of the mean annual daily discharge  $(136 \text{ cu.m/sec } (4,813 \text{ cfs})).$ 

The point of this comparison has to do with the question of sediment delivery. Sediment delivery of basinwide gross erosion and land wash to the gauge (a daily sediment record station) at Waterville has been estimated to be approximately 11% of gross erosion (GLBC, 1975).

b.38 Storms and Sediment Transport

Table 43 is taken from a report on nonpoint source pollution ( Baker, 1976) which was prepared for the Toledo Metropolitan Area Council of Governments as part of an Areawide Water Quality Management Planning Study (PL 92-500 Sec. 208). Total flow, sediment and phosphorus transport are summarized for eight storm events which occurred during 1975. Several large storms which occurred prior to April 25 are not included. Also, storms during August are not included because the automatic samplers had been taken out of service for other studies. During the unmeasured period United States Geological Survey recores indicate that storms on January and February 22 produced the highest peak flows and sediment transport of the state specific events during one year.

The storms included in Table A3 are ranked according to total storm flow, total suspended solids mass transport and flow weighted mean concentration of suspended solids. Most of the storms fall fairly well into order with total flow rank corresponding with total load and flow weighted mean concentration rank. The greatest exception is the stocking of Nov. 30 which ranked volume of runoff suspending the suspended solids transport and flow weighted means concentration. The major reason for the shift in rank order between the association of the association of this stoll with snow melt runoff.

Beginning on the removal of show began accumulating on the ground at both  $T_{\text{tot}}$  and Forming maximum depth of  $\sim$  cm (3 in) and  $\sim$  cm (A in) at each city, respectively on November 27. Total liquid was 2.2 cm (0.72 in) at Toledo and 1.0 cm (0.40 in) at Ft. Wayne. Depth of snow one solid stations in the basin is unknown. By the beginning of rainfall precipitation on November <sup>29</sup> the snow depth at both cities had dropped  $t_{\text{max}}$  (1.0 in). By one office one rainfall had ended on November 30 there was no snow on the ground at either city.

The ratio of sediment transport between the storm of December <sup>15</sup> (the largest flow and sediment transport storm) and the snow melt storm of November 2b is 17:1. The ratio of flows was 1.7:1. Antecedent moisture conditions were similar prior to both storms (wet). Soil was not frozen in either case and basin cover conditions were probably identical since the storms were separated by only two weeks.

Although it would be unwise to draw conclusions based on two storms, two observations can be made. The first observation is well known: falling on snow does not erode soil. The second has been the subject of considerable controversy and deals with the transport of eroded soils out of watersheds: does soil which enters the drainage network leave the watershed or is it transported over a long period of time in a series of jumps with each successive runoff events: If the latter mechanism is the case then the relationship between basin runoff and sediment transport should not be signifiediting alternative that the runoff producing rain falls on snow.



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Table later the estimated mean annual soil loss as determined for each of the experimental plots by the Universal Soil Loss Equation, the actual 2 - year experiences mean annual sediment delivery and one sediment delivery ratio for each of the plots. The delivery ratio ranged from 6.3% Blount and Lenawee plots to 62% for the Paulding. The Blount soil had the coarsest the texture and throw covered of the props. The extremely high sediment delivery ratio of the very fine textured soils points to need for special attention to these soils in management programs. Although gross erosion on these soils may be very low (and therefore are not flagged as Hproblem erosion areas") their very high sediment delivery ratios make the extent for Great Bancs water quality. The Paulding SOII absolutely the highest soil (and nutrient) loss of all the experimental plots.

Application of the "basin soil area weight" gives basinwide gross erosion rate of 22.3 MT/HA/YR (10.0 T/A/YR)and 2.7 MT/HA/YR (1.01 T/A/YR) at the outlet of the plots, or a late, we sediment delivery ratio. This is further reduced to  $\sim$  9.90 MM<sub>1</sub> manner in the at Waterville, a delivery ratio of 4.2%. This estimate of gross erosion for the basin is probably overestimated. The Great  $\frac{1}{2}$  estimated a basinwide gross erosion rate of 6.3 MT/HA/YR (2.8 T/A/YR) and the sediment delivery ratio with respect to this value is lh.9%. The true annual sediment delivery ratio probably lies somewhere between the two values: 4.2%to 14.9%. It must be remembered though, as was pointed out in the discussion of monthly sediment delivery, that the sediment delivery ratio approaches during the late winter/spring period and during the summer months.

 $I_{\text{max}}$  the Postian the estimated annual gross erosion rate is  $\delta$ .  $\frac{1}{100}$  (Tracog, 1970). As previously mentioned this basin is quite homogeneous in soil type. The Hoytville soil series accounts for h3% of the basin. The Hoydville soil experimental plots are located in the Portage River basin near Hoytville, Ohio. The slope length on the plots is not representative of the slope length of the Hoytville soil series: plots <sup>80</sup> feet, basinwide around 500' and up to 1,200'. The LS factor of the USLE would range to approximately double the plot LS factor, or up to about 0.2. The fact that the plots were all underdrained is also considered to have significantly reduced gross erosion. The two year mean annual soil loss from the plots was about 1.5 Many 11 Compared to the USLE estimated gross erosion rate (not considering  $t_{\text{max}}$ ,  $\alpha$  . The Portage River basin during 2–1/2 years of monitoring averaged 0.53 MT/HA/YR, virtually the same value as at the outlet of the plots. The sediment delivery ratio of the basin (estimated basinwide gross erosion vs.  $m = m = 0$  sediment delivery) was  $0.3/0$ .

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 $\frac{1}{2}$  one of the principal objectives of the Task C - Pilot Watershed Studies is to provide information which can be used to extend the knowledge gained in



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commonly utilized extrapolation parameter is the relationship between drainage basin size and sediment yield. Many different forms of regression analysis were attempted to determine such a relationship for the Maumee River basin studies. It had been hoped that drainage area/sediment yield relationship could be determined within seasons for the Maumee subbasins, but this was made impossible because short term variations in rainfall patterns, snow melt, antecedent moisture, etc. caused much more of the variance in the data than the difference in watershed size. Within months sediment and nutrient yields were virtually independent of drainage basin size.

The best relationship between yield and watershed area was found to be between study period mean annual yield and  $log_{10}$  drainage basin size. The regression line for this relationship is shown in Figure 11. The points plotted are not the points which determine the regression. The regression line is determined by the 2 to 2-1/2 year mean annual sediment yield and log<sub>10</sub> of the drainage basin size. The effects of meteorological variations are significantly reduced as is the variance among drainage basin sizes. The regression line is determined from the following data set:



Sediment Delivery = 2,226.8 - 227.9  $log_{10}$  (Drainage Area)

 $R = -0.8290$ 

 $R^2 = 0.687$ 



Figure 11. Sediment yield as a function of drainage area.

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A similar regression was performed for total phosphorus yield based on the same criteria (two year mean annual total phosphorus yield):



Total P Yield (KG/HA/YR) =  $3.229 = 0.263 \log_{10}$  Area (Hectares)

 $R = -0.5901$ 

 $R^2 = 0.348$ 

It is apparent that total phosphorus yield is less dependent on drainage basin size than is sediment delivery. It has been shown in the discussion of experimental plot soil texture (sec  $4.41$ ), that the runoff sediment is enriched with clay size particles relative to the soil from which it originated. Runoff sediment had clay content ranging from 53 to 96% while the surface soils ranged from 27 to 56%. Suspended sediments in the Maumee River at Waterville are 74% total clay (USGS, 1972) indicating further enrichment of the runoff sediment with increasing drainage basin size. It was also shown (sec.  $10.43$ ) that the clay fraction is enriched with phosphorus relative to the surface soils. It is therefore apparent that as the clay size particle fraction is preferentially transported to the main stem of the river phosphorus is also preferentially transported.

h.h Physical, mineralogical and chemical characteristics of basin soils and sediment

4.41 Texture

The particle size distribution of Basin soils, runoff and bottom sediments are given in Table  $\mu$ 5. Particle size distribution of soils and runoff was determined by three methods: after dispersion in sodium hexametaphosphate (total dispersion), dispersion by sonification in water, and dispersion by mild agitation in water (similar to conditions in the stream). The results indicate that sonification may be breaking down some sand sized materials and the water dispersion shows that much of the fine and coarse clay is aggregated into silt and sand size particles. The runoff data show that there is an enrichment of runder with clay and this enrichment is greater for softle of medium texture than soils which already have a high clay content. Runoff sediment had contents ranging from 53 to 96% while the surface solid ranged from 21 to 56%. Suspended sediments in the Maurice Basin at Waterville and Clay Conditional clay (USGS, 1972). The dispersion ratio ranged from  $6$  to 12 for fine clay in Basin

Table 45 Particle size analysis of Maunee River Basin soil and runoff sediment.

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1. Particle size values of reference soils are weighted means of combined samples which represent all soil types within the plot. Bulk density values are from specific soil types within the plot.

2. Dispersion Ratio =  $\frac{g}{g}$  soil fraction of reference soil by total dispersion  $\frac{1}{g}$  soil fraction of reference soil by water dispersion

3. Cole =  $\frac{Rd \text{ over}}{Rd \text{ field}}$  -1

4. Enrichment Ratio =  $\frac{N}{N}$  soil fruction of runoff sediment by conification  $\frac{N}{N}$  soil fraction of reference soil by sonification

soils and was highest for the Paulding soil. The high Ca status of soils in the Maumee River Basin has been shown (Maumee River Basin Watershed Study, Semi-annual report, October, 1976) to account for the ease of floccuation of clay—sized soil particles. Primary clay particles flocculate rapidly (minutes) in stream water and the rate of flocculation increased with increasing sediment concentration. The flocculation process serves to reduce the transport of eroded soil as sediment by keeping much of the clay as coarser particles, especially the fine clay.

Coefficient of linear extensibility (COLE), a measure of the shrinkswell potential of soils was primarily a function of clay content, but was particularly high for the Paulding soil.

4.42 Chemical properties of watershed soils

Some of the pertinent chemical characteristics of Basin soils are given in Table 46 for surface (Ap ) soil horizons. The high pH's, CaCO3 equivalent and exchangeable bases reflect the limestone parent material. These soils are quite fertile and productive when drainage is used. The high exchange capacity reflects the high clay content of these soils. Total nitrogen values of approximately 2000  $\lg/g$  are typical for surface soils in the northcentral region of the U. S. and mineralize at an annual rate of about 3%.

#### 4.43 Phosphate chemistry of soils and sediment

A number of phosphate parameters are given in Table 47 for watershed soils, their clay fractions and bottom and suspended sediments. Total P values for watershed soils were in the range  $450 - 1000$  ug/g while their clay fractions ranged from 700 to 1390 ug/g. Total P values of suspended sediments were generally higher than soil clay fraction values as a result of: enrichment of fine clay, organic matter, concentration of P by algae in some samples, and possibly adsorption of P by the sediment during transport. Bottom sediments tended to have lower total P values than suspended sediments due to two possible factors: selective selective selection of coarse clay, lower crossof bottom sediment (data not shown) and desorption of P from bottom sediment.

The major fraction of the major fraction of the solution of th O Report is the case of the clay fraction of solution and is less than the soil of the s values in the suspended sediments. Plant available (Bray Pl) phosphate was variable and was not different between soils and sediments. These values are not excessive, and in fact, levels <15 ug/g are low for optimum crop growth. recent survey of <sup>60</sup> farmers' fields in Defiance County gave values ranging and the control of from to <sup>280</sup> ug/g with median value of about 25-30 ug/g. There were only the sites with values 100 ug/g. Toom values ranged from <sup>300</sup> to 1500 using which will mean of 690 These values are similar to those given in Table 47 for our experimental sites.

Phosphorus adsorption desorption parameters based on 2h hour equilibrations are given in Table My. The adsorption maximum is a measure of the capacity of some sediment to hold P, adsorption energy the strength of the P- sediment (soil) bond; EPC is the equilibrium dissolved inorganic 1 concentration at which is neither adsorbed or deported and is a measure of soluble I in water in equipment with sediments. I desorbed is the amount of sediment r that can be removed from the particle by water and is measure of readily available  $\frac{1}{2}$  and  $\frac{1}{2}$  and  $\frac{1}{2}$  maximum of soil was quite uniform at about 200 ug/g;



Table 46. Chemical characteristics of watershed site soils.

All values except Total are weighted means compiled nambige means to represent all solutions within the plot. Total N values are from single samples within the plot.



\* Available P not determined for clay fractions

+ Insufficient sample for determination

the clay fraction because of its higher surface area had about twice the capacity to a solution of the bottom sediments had very high added the capacities because of one high clay content and fuclessed Fe content (See next section), especially the bottom sediments which had been subjected to anoxic conditions release of soluble light. Adsorption energies were highly variable, but bottom sediment values were somewhat lower than for soils, while suspended sediment values were quite low, indicating that adde adsorbed bedament is held less centeriously quan that adsorbed by some is due, in part, to the inverse relationship that was found between adsorption maxumum and adsorption energy.

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EPC values were also quite variable (Table h?) and soil, soil clay fraction and because values were similar. Suspended sediment EPC 2' HOMEAGL' were also also all magnitudes in Dires? and compare with the mean dissolved include the material concentration in the Maumee at Waterville of 0.1 us of Maume. The EPC values in the suspended to suspended sediment is much more rentified that the solution that is reflected in the reflection varies which were on the order of  $\frac{1}{2}$  ug/g for soil and bottom sediment and about 30 ug/g for suspending sediment. Of the H+PH values of such a subsequently subsequently and subsequently subsequently subsequently subsequently subsequently sediment was families containing algae and some of the released was probably complete the control of the second complete control of the second control of the

The phosphorus data show that Maumee River Basin soils are high in total P with sufficient but not excessive levels of plant available P. Suspended sediments are enriched in total P, hold adsorbed P weakly and maintain equilibrium dissolved inorganic P values that are closer to monitored values than soil EPC's.

# 4.44 Mineralogy

Soil and sediment mineralogy was determined by chemical extraction and  $x$ -ray diffraction and the data is summarized in Table 48. CDB - Fe, a measure of the free iron oxides (crystalline and amorphous) did not vary greatly between soils, their clay fractions or runoff sediment, but bottom sediment values were only half as great. This is attributable to the release of CDB—Fe by anoxic conditions in the bottom sediment. Oxalate—Fe (amorphous) was high in bottom sediments, intermediate in soils and low in runoff. The high values in soil has been attributed, in part, to the presence of significant amounts of magnetite which is soluble in oxalate but not in CDB. It was found (data not shown) for the Blount (401) soil that oxalate extractable Fe was concentrated in the sand fraction and this was confirmed microscopically by the presence of large magnetite aggregates in the sand fraction. High oxalate—Fe in bottom sediment was attributed to concentration of magnetite in the bottom sediment by preferential sedimentation of the denser magnetite and formation of iron carbonate.

Runoff sediment contained less vermiculite and more illite than the soil, a result of size sorting. However, mineralogy of suspended and bottom sediments were not different than runoff and indicated that little or no mineralogical alteration is occuring during fluvial transport.

4.45 Chemical extraction of "bioavailable" P from suspended sediments

A chemical fractionation scheme (Logan,  $1978$ ) was used to estimate the bioavailability of stream suspended sediments for a number of major tributaries in the Lake Erie Basin. This work was supported by a grant from LEWMS and complete results, will be presented elsewhere. Data presented here (Table 49)

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Table 49 Chemical fractionation of P in suspended sediments-



\* Mepta method. Strong acid + base digestion.<br>+ Perchloric acid digestion on residue

is for the Maumee River and its tributary, the Auglaize; one sample from the Cattaraugus River in New York is included for contrast since it drains an area whose biogeochemistry is quite different than that of the Maumee. I have chosen to look at bioavailability of sediment-P in two ways: short-term which is estimated by the NaOH-P fraction (Sagher and Harris, 1974) and total bioavailable, estimated by the sum of NaOH and CDB fractions. Sediment concentrations for most samples shown were low (mean sediment concentration in the Maumee is about  $250 \text{ ug/ml}$ . Total filtered and filtered reactive P were quite constant for the Maumee system and substantially higher than the Cattaraugus. NaOH—P accounted for 25% of the total sediment—P (perchloric acid method) and the sum of NaOH and CDB was about 50%. The corresponding values for the Cattaraugus were 10.5 and 28.6%, respectively. Apatite—P was a major fraction in the Cattaraugus sample and organic-P was  $\sim$  20% of the total sediment-P in the Maumee samples. Some bioavailability schemes consider only apatite and nonapatite—P and present the nonapatite—P as the bioavailable fraction. Since nonapatite—P includes organic—P and there is sufficient evidence that much of the soil derived organic—P is quite stable, this scheme would tend to over—estimate bioavailability.

Persulfate digestion is the preferred method of most investigators for the analysis of total P. Table 49 shows that, in all cases, persulfate acid fails to extract all P from sediment. Compounds which are thought to be resistant to persulfate digestion are apatite and various organic phosphorus forms. The data shows no strong correlation between the undigested total—P and either apatite—P, organic—P or residual inorganic—P.

# h.5 Pesticides

The results of the pesticide scan for watershed soils and Maumee River Basin bottom sediments are given in Table <sup>50</sup> Pesticide standards used in the scan are given below:

#### Organochlorine



Chlordane Toxaphene

#### Organophosphate

Thimet (Phorate) Diazinon Malathion Methyl Parathion Ethyl Parathion Guthion (will not respond without forming a derivative)

 Each extract solution was analyzed with all three detectors although the identity of peaks on one chromatogram correspond only to the type of eluate and the decoder system which has been dependinged in past research to relate to the specific pesticide.

Several peaks were observed on the chromatogram that were not identifed. Extraneous peaks are common with the Electron Capture detector. Some very prominent peaks were detected with the Electron Capture detector or the Hall Electroconductivity detector or with both detectors but were not identified. The Electron Capture detector responds to any compounds that will capture electrons (chlorinated hydrocarbons more pronounced and sensitive) and the Electroconductivity detector is specific for chlorinated compounds but not restricted to pesticides.

Table 50- Pesticide Residues found in Soil and Sediment Samples



None means no residues detected at the sensitivity of the method which c<sup>o</sup>ul<sup>d</sup> <sup>b</sup><sup>e</sup> <sup>i</sup><sup>d</sup><sup>e</sup><sup>n</sup><sup>t</sup><sup>i</sup><sup>f</sup><sup>i</sup><sup>e</sup><sup>d</sup> <sup>i</sup><sup>n</sup> <sup>r</sup><sup>e</sup><sup>l</sup><sup>a</sup><sup>t</sup><sup>i</sup><sup>o</sup><sup>n</sup> <sup>t</sup><sup>o</sup> <sup>t</sup><sup>h</sup><sup>e</sup> <sup>p</sup><sup>e</sup><sup>s</sup><sup>t</sup><sup>i</sup><sup>c</sup><sup>i</sup><sup>d</sup><sup>e</sup> <sup>s</sup><sup>t</sup><sup>a</sup><sup>n</sup><sup>d</sup><sup>a</sup><sup>r</sup><sup>d</sup><sup>s</sup> us<sup>e</sup><sup>d</sup>.

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The retention time did not basically correspond to that of other organophosphate s<sup>t</sup><sup>a</sup><sup>n</sup><sup>d</sup><sup>a</sup><sup>r</sup><sup>d</sup><sup>s</sup> <sup>a</sup><sup>n</sup><sup>a</sup><sup>l</sup>yze<sup>d</sup> <sup>i</sup><sup>n</sup> <sup>p</sup><sup>r</sup><sup>e</sup>vi<sup>o</sup>us <sup>r</sup><sup>e</sup><sup>s</sup><sup>e</sup><sup>a</sup><sup>r</sup><sup>c</sup><sup>h</sup> <sup>i</sup><sup>n</sup> <sup>t</sup><sup>h</sup><sup>e</sup> <sup>l</sup><sup>a</sup><sup>b</sup><sup>o</sup><sup>r</sup><sup>a</sup><sup>t</sup><sup>o</sup><sup>r</sup><sup>y</sup> <sup>i</sup><sup>n</sup><sup>c</sup><sup>l</sup>ud<sup>i</sup><sup>n</sup><sup>g</sup> <sup>D</sup><sup>D</sup><sup>V</sup><sup>P</sup>, <sup>R</sup><sup>o</sup><sup>n</sup><sup>n</sup><sup>e</sup><sup>l</sup>, Ciodrin, and Dyfonate. Dimethoate also required the formation of a derivative f<sup>o</sup><sup>r</sup> <sup>g</sup><sup>a</sup><sup>s</sup> <sup>c</sup><sup>h</sup><sup>r</sup><sup>o</sup><sup>m</sup><sup>a</sup><sup>t</sup><sup>o</sup><sup>g</sup><sup>r</sup><sup>a</sup><sup>p</sup><sup>h</sup><sup>i</sup><sup>c</sup> <sup>d</sup><sup>e</sup><sup>t</sup><sup>e</sup><sup>c</sup><sup>t</sup><sup>i</sup><sup>o</sup><sup>n</sup>. <sup>I</sup><sup>n</sup> <sup>a</sup><sup>d</sup><sup>d</sup><sup>i</sup><sup>t</sup><sup>i</sup><sup>o</sup><sup>n</sup>, <sup>o</sup><sup>n</sup><sup>e</sup> <sup>o</sup><sup>r</sup> <sup>t</sup>wo <sup>p</sup><sup>r</sup><sup>o</sup><sup>m</sup><sup>i</sup><sup>n</sup><sup>e</sup><sup>n</sup><sup>t</sup> <sup>p</sup><sup>e</sup><sup>a</sup><sup>k</sup><sup>s</sup> we<sup>r</sup><sup>e</sup> o<sup>b</sup><sup>s</sup><sup>e</sup><sup>r</sup>ve<sup>d</sup> <sup>i</sup><sup>n</sup> <sup>t</sup><sup>h</sup><sup>e</sup> <sup>c</sup><sup>h</sup><sup>r</sup><sup>o</sup><sup>m</sup><sup>a</sup><sup>t</sup><sup>o</sup><sup>g</sup><sup>r</sup><sup>a</sup><sup>m</sup><sup>s</sup> <sup>o</sup><sup>f</sup> <sup>t</sup><sup>h</sup><sup>e</sup> <sup>5</sup>% <sup>b</sup><sup>e</sup><sup>n</sup>ze<sup>n</sup><sup>e</sup> <sup>i</sup><sup>n</sup> <sup>p</sup><sup>e</sup><sup>t</sup><sup>r</sup><sup>o</sup><sup>l</sup><sup>e</sup>um <sup>e</sup><sup>t</sup><sup>h</sup>yl <sup>e</sup><sup>l</sup>ua<sup>t</sup><sup>e</sup> <sup>a</sup><sup>n</sup><sup>d</sup> t<sup>h</sup><sup>e</sup> <sup>1</sup><sup>0</sup><sup>0</sup>% <sup>b</sup><sup>e</sup><sup>n</sup>ze<sup>n</sup><sup>e</sup> <sup>e</sup><sup>l</sup>ua<sup>t</sup><sup>e</sup>. <sup>T</sup><sup>h</sup><sup>e</sup><sup>s</sup><sup>e</sup> <sup>p</sup><sup>e</sup><sup>a</sup><sup>k</sup><sup>s</sup> <sup>d</sup><sup>i</sup><sup>d</sup> <sup>n</sup><sup>o</sup><sup>t</sup> <sup>c</sup><sup>o</sup><sup>r</sup><sup>r</sup><sup>e</sup><sup>s</sup><sup>p</sup><sup>o</sup><sup>n</sup><sup>d</sup> <sup>t</sup><sup>o</sup> <sup>a</sup><sup>n</sup><sup>y</sup> <sup>o</sup><sup>f</sup> <sup>t</sup><sup>h</sup><sup>e</sup> <sup>s</sup><sup>t</sup><sup>a</sup><sup>n</sup><sup>d</sup><sup>a</sup><sup>r</sup><sup>d</sup><sup>s</sup>; <sup>i</sup><sup>n</sup> <sup>a</sup><sup>d</sup><sup>d</sup><sup>i</sup><sup>t</sup><sup>i</sup><sup>o</sup><sup>n</sup>, un<sup>d</sup><sup>e</sup><sup>r</sup> <sup>t</sup><sup>h</sup><sup>e</sup> <sup>c</sup><sup>o</sup><sup>n</sup><sup>d</sup><sup>i</sup><sup>t</sup><sup>i</sup><sup>o</sup><sup>n</sup><sup>s</sup> <sup>o</sup><sup>f</sup> <sup>t</sup><sup>h</sup><sup>e</sup> <sup>r</sup><sup>e</sup><sup>s</sup><sup>e</sup><sup>a</sup><sup>r</sup><sup>c</sup><sup>h</sup> <sup>p</sup><sup>r</sup><sup>o</sup><sup>c</sup><sup>e</sup><sup>d</sup>ur<sup>e</sup><sup>s</sup>, <sup>t</sup><sup>h</sup><sup>e</sup> <sup>o</sup><sup>r</sup><sup>g</sup><sup>a</sup><sup>n</sup><sup>o</sup><sup>p</sup><sup>h</sup><sup>o</sup><sup>s</sup><sup>p</sup><sup>h</sup><sup>a</sup><sup>t</sup><sup>e</sup> p<sup>e</sup><sup>s</sup><sup>t</sup><sup>i</sup><sup>c</sup><sup>i</sup><sup>d</sup><sup>e</sup><sup>s</sup> <sup>r</sup><sup>e</sup><sup>l</sup><sup>a</sup><sup>t</sup><sup>e</sup><sup>d</sup> <sup>t</sup><sup>o</sup> <sup>t</sup><sup>h</sup><sup>e</sup> <sup>s</sup><sup>t</sup><sup>a</sup><sup>n</sup><sup>d</sup><sup>a</sup><sup>r</sup><sup>d</sup><sup>s</sup> us<sup>e</sup><sup>d</sup> <sup>s</sup><sup>h</sup><sup>o</sup>ul<sup>d</sup> <sup>h</sup><sup>a</sup>ve <sup>e</sup><sup>l</sup>ut<sup>e</sup><sup>d</sup> <sup>o</sup><sup>n</sup><sup>l</sup><sup>y</sup> <sup>i</sup><sup>n</sup> <sup>t</sup><sup>h</sup><sup>e</sup> <sup>e</sup><sup>t</sup><sup>h</sup>yl acetate-benzene solution. Sample No. 10 had a very prominent peak with the r<sup>e</sup><sup>t</sup><sup>e</sup><sup>n</sup><sup>t</sup><sup>i</sup><sup>o</sup><sup>n</sup> <sup>t</sup><sup>i</sup><sup>m</sup><sup>e</sup> <sup>f</sup><sup>o</sup><sup>r</sup> <sup>d</sup><sup>i</sup><sup>a</sup>za<sup>n</sup><sup>o</sup><sup>n</sup>, <sup>b</sup>ut <sup>i</sup><sup>t</sup> wa<sup>s</sup> <sup>i</sup><sup>n</sup> <sup>1</sup><sup>0</sup><sup>0</sup>% <sup>b</sup><sup>e</sup><sup>n</sup>ze<sup>n</sup><sup>e</sup> <sup>e</sup><sup>l</sup>ua<sup>t</sup><sup>e</sup> <sup>a</sup><sup>n</sup><sup>d</sup> <sup>n</sup><sup>o</sup> <sup>i</sup><sup>n</sup><sup>d</sup><sup>i</sup><sup>c</sup><sup>a</sup><sup>t</sup><sup>i</sup><sup>o</sup><sup>n</sup> <sup>o</sup><sup>f</sup> <sup>d</sup><sup>e</sup><sup>t</sup><sup>e</sup><sup>c</sup><sup>t</sup><sup>i</sup><sup>o</sup><sup>n</sup> <sup>a</sup><sup>t</sup> <sup>a</sup><sup>l</sup><sup>l</sup> <sup>i</sup><sup>n</sup> <sup>t</sup><sup>h</sup><sup>e</sup> <sup>e</sup><sup>t</sup><sup>h</sup>yl <sup>a</sup><sup>c</sup><sup>e</sup><sup>t</sup><sup>a</sup><sup>t</sup><sup>e</sup>—b<sup>e</sup><sup>n</sup>ze<sup>n</sup><sup>e</sup> <sup>e</sup><sup>l</sup>ua<sup>t</sup><sup>e</sup>. <sup>T</sup><sup>h</sup><sup>e</sup> <sup>F</sup><sup>l</sup><sup>a</sup><sup>m</sup><sup>e</sup> <sup>P</sup><sup>h</sup><sup>o</sup><sup>t</sup><sup>o</sup><sup>m</sup><sup>e</sup><sup>t</sup><sup>r</sup><sup>i</sup><sup>c</sup> d<sup>e</sup><sup>t</sup><sup>e</sup><sup>c</sup><sup>t</sup><sup>o</sup><sup>r</sup> <sup>i</sup><sup>s</sup> <sup>s</sup><sup>p</sup><sup>e</sup><sup>c</sup><sup>i</sup><sup>f</sup><sup>i</sup><sup>c</sup> <sup>f</sup><sup>o</sup><sup>r</sup> <sup>p</sup><sup>h</sup><sup>o</sup><sup>s</sup><sup>p</sup><sup>h</sup><sup>o</sup><sup>r</sup>us <sup>c</sup><sup>o</sup><sup>m</sup><sup>p</sup><sup>o</sup>un<sup>d</sup><sup>s</sup> <sup>b</sup>ut <sup>i</sup><sup>s</sup> <sup>n</sup><sup>o</sup><sup>t</sup> <sup>l</sup><sup>i</sup><sup>m</sup><sup>i</sup><sup>t</sup><sup>e</sup><sup>d</sup> <sup>t</sup><sup>o</sup> <sup>o</sup><sup>n</sup><sup>l</sup><sup>y</sup> <sup>t</sup><sup>h</sup><sup>e</sup> organophosphate pesticides. Thus the peaks observed are likely due to a phosphate <sup>o</sup><sup>r</sup> <sup>p</sup><sup>h</sup><sup>o</sup><sup>s</sup><sup>h</sup><sup>o</sup><sup>r</sup>yl<sup>a</sup><sup>t</sup><sup>e</sup><sup>d</sup> <sup>c</sup><sup>o</sup><sup>m</sup><sup>p</sup><sup>o</sup>un<sup>d</sup>, <sup>b</sup>ut <sup>t</sup><sup>h</sup><sup>e</sup> <sup>i</sup><sup>d</sup><sup>e</sup><sup>n</sup><sup>d</sup><sup>i</sup><sup>t</sup><sup>y</sup> <sup>r</sup><sup>e</sup><sup>m</sup><sup>a</sup><sup>i</sup><sup>n</sup><sup>s</sup> un<sup>r</sup><sup>e</sup><sup>s</sup><sup>o</sup><sup>l</sup>ve<sup>d</sup> <sup>a</sup><sup>t</sup> <sup>p</sup><sup>r</sup><sup>e</sup><sup>s</sup><sup>e</sup><sup>n</sup><sup>t</sup>.

Based on the results of this scan, no further analyses were made. Waldron (l97h) in a previous study on the Maumee and several other Ohio tributaries draining into Lake Erie found similar low values for water and bottom sediments. When detected at all, pesticide residues were generally less than 10 ppb, while triazine herbicides were usually less than 50 ppb. He found that DDT, diazanon and dieldrin were the common insecticides detected, while atrazine was the herbicide found most frequently. The generally low levels of insecticides found in the Maumee reflects the land use of the area. Eighty—two percent of PSA h.2 is in cropland and of that, grain crops are dominant. Insecticide usage by grain farmers in Ohio is quite low, although it is expected that there will be some increase in insecticide application as acreages of minimum and no—till increase. Herbicide usage is more common with atrazine the most common material. It is recommended at rates of  $1-4$  kg/ha for corn (Ohio Agronomy Guide, 1978), while materials such as lasso (1—3 kg/ha) plus lorox or sencor  $(0.5 \text{ to } 2 \text{ kg/ha})$  are recommended for soybeans. Herbicide useage on wheat is minimal. Herbicide usage by Ohiograin farmers continues to increase as more and better compounds are introduced, and will be an integral part of minimum or no-till farming in the future. Most pesticides are applied at or near planting and so discharge to streams should be greatest in late April through May in the Maumee. Therefore, pesticide runoff should only be significant in the early spring thaw events as residues from the previous year's application. This will not be a problem with the more degradable compounds.

# h.6 Heavy Metals

h.6l Dissolved metals in stream and groundwater

Stream water at <sup>20</sup> sampling sites throughout the Maumee Basin was sampled  $123 - 2010$  1-3  $1 - 20$  10 and  $2 - 29$  11. Intended and zinc were detected most frequently and no gave one included concentration concentrations. Such an analyzed for the function for comparison. There appeared to be no seasonal effect on heavy metal concentra tions but this is <sup>a</sup> tentative conclusion considering the low frequency of sampling. The extension site appeared to be inferred than others for any of the metals, not surprising since these sites represent diffuse sources only. Mean dissolved measure concentrations are given in Table 51 together with mean values for <sup>27</sup> test wells. Groundwater sources were generally higher than the state of th stream water. Based on the analysis of groundwater contribution to total flow, it would appear on a program good is one may or source of dissolved metals in the Maumee. Waterville groundwater accounted for 38% of the total flow in 1976 and given the concentrations given in Table 71 , one contribution of groundwater to the amounts of each disposition metal discharged can be estimated (Tab1e <sup>51</sup> ). The data show that grOundwater contributes most of the dissolved metals except cadmium.

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Background concentration of heavy metals in the Maumee River Basin and in groundwater (1975—77)



 $\frac{1}{x}$ Assumes 38% of total discharge in groundwater Percent of samples where metalwas detected b.62 Heavy metals in watershed soils and Maumee River bottom sediments

Table 52gives the mean heavy metal concentrations of the surface soil horizons of the Defiance County and Hoytville sites and bottom sediments from the 20 metal sampling sites in the Maumee. Metal content of limestone bedrock of the area is included for comparison. Values given in Table 52 are for aqua regia extraction. This procedure does not extract all the structural metal, i.e. metal held within the crystal lattice of minerals, but it does extract those compounds that would be environmentally active. Of the metals, cadmium has the lowest concentration and the zinc the highest in both soil and sediment. Metal concentrations on both soil and sediment appear to reflect bedrock compo sition somewhat. Only cobalt appears to be enriched in the sediment compared to soil while all other metals are considerably lower in sediment. Variability was remarkably low and there appeared to be little regional differences. In addition, metal concentrations were not correlated with each other. It should be reemphasized that the sampling sites were chosen to reflect background metal levels and were not close to known point sources. While our estimates of sediment—bound metals is underestimated because our extraction procedure does not extract total metal, the data still show that dissolved metal accounts for a high percentage of the total load. Taking into account our findings that the groundwater accounts for a high percentage of the dissolved load, it would appear that metals in groundwater is the major source of metals leaving the Maumee.

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	Soils			Sediment			Bedrock
	Range	Mean	S.D.	Range	Mean	S.D.	
				$\frac{\text{Alg}}{\text{g}}$			
Cd	$0.10 - 0.70$	0.35	0.26	$0.04 - 0.39$	0.15	0.09	1.94
Co	$1.80 - 2.30$	1.98	0.22	$4.25 - 14.31$	9.11	2.26	1.27
Cr	12.00-13.80	15.30	4.17	$0.72 - 2.54$	1.55	0.46	2.63
Cu	$9.60 - 27.80$	20.20	8.62	$4.38 - 10.11$	6.49	1.27	8.52
Ni	$25.80 - 42.00$	33.75	6.63	$6.42 - 16.89$	11.21	2.39	34.12
Pb	$21.60 - 29.40$	25.20	3.23	$3.84 - 10.70$	7.33	1.55	33.50
Zn	$41.30 - 69.60$	49.15	13.65	$6.95 - 24.68$	15.77	3.32	250.50
Sr				$50.10 - 93.60$	71.77	7.89	57.80

Table 52. Concentrations of heavy metals in Maumee River Basin soils, bottom sediments and limestone bedrock.

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