# Wetland and Stream Restoration Techniques Following Emergency Response Actions to the Line 6B Oil Leak in Marshall, Michigan



- Ecological Consulting
   Native Plant Nursery
- Restoration Services
   Cultural Resource Management



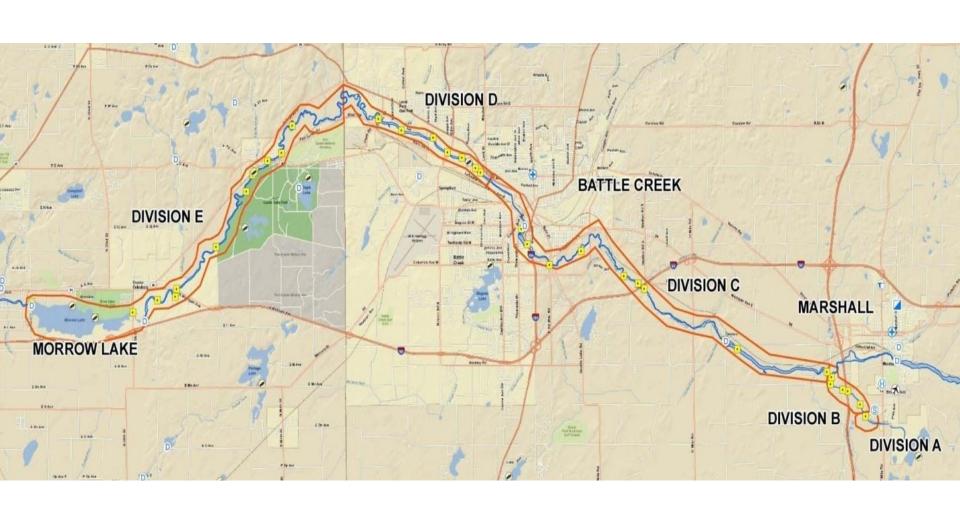
# Background



- •Failure of approximately 5 feet of 30" steel pipe
- •On July 26<sup>th</sup> Enbridge's Line 6B released approximately 843,000 gallons of Canadian crude oil; approximately 337,0000 gallons reached Talmadge Creek and the Kalamazoo River
- •Both watercourses were at flood stage at the time of the incident, pushing oil into the contiguous floodplains and wetlands

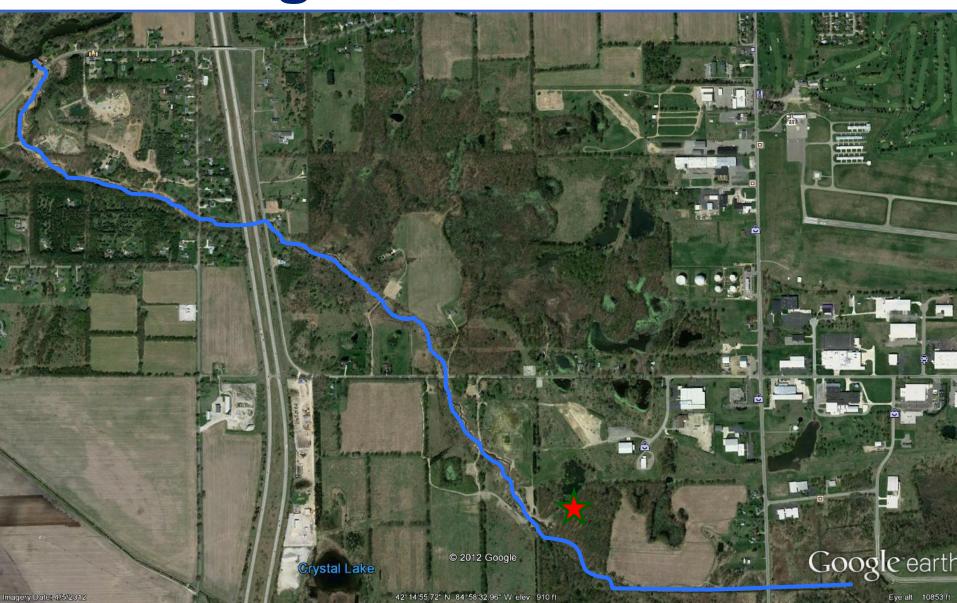


# Incident/Project Area Congregation Cardino



# **Talmadge Creek**





#### **Timeline**



AUGUST 2010						
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
29	30	31	JFNew Site Visit			
JFNew Contacted						



#### SEPTEMBER 2010 September Holidays Labor Day - 6

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First Day of Autumn - 22

#### Begin restoration

Target restorationdate (EPA order)

# End of July 2010





# September 2010





# September 2010





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#### October 2010





#### **Design Concepts**



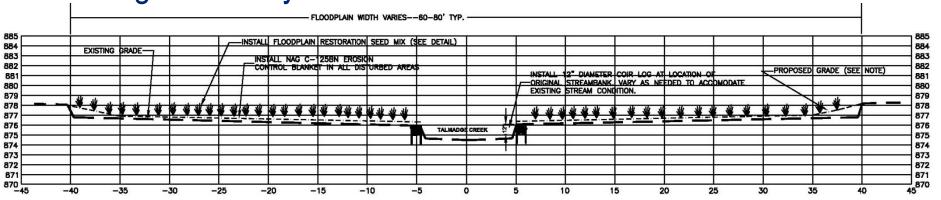
- Created representative cross sections
- •Calculated shear stresses throughout stream (0.7-1.5 lbs/sf) at flood stage
- Assess and match soils
- •Assess plant communities and create appropriate native seed mixes
- Considered market availability of materials, construction sequencing, and ability to rapidly install



#### **Design Concept**



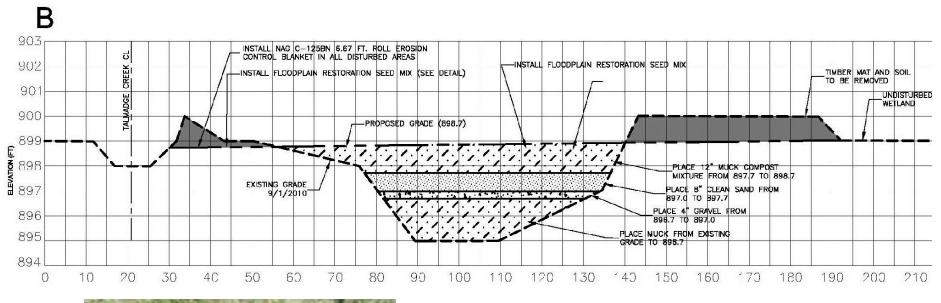
- Coir logs
- Backfill
- Seed
- NAG C-125BN
- Have surveyors stake pre-remediation bankfull mark based on original survey



TYPICAL PROPOSED CROSS SECTION-SECTION A5/A6 RESTORATION

#### **Design Concept – Soils**

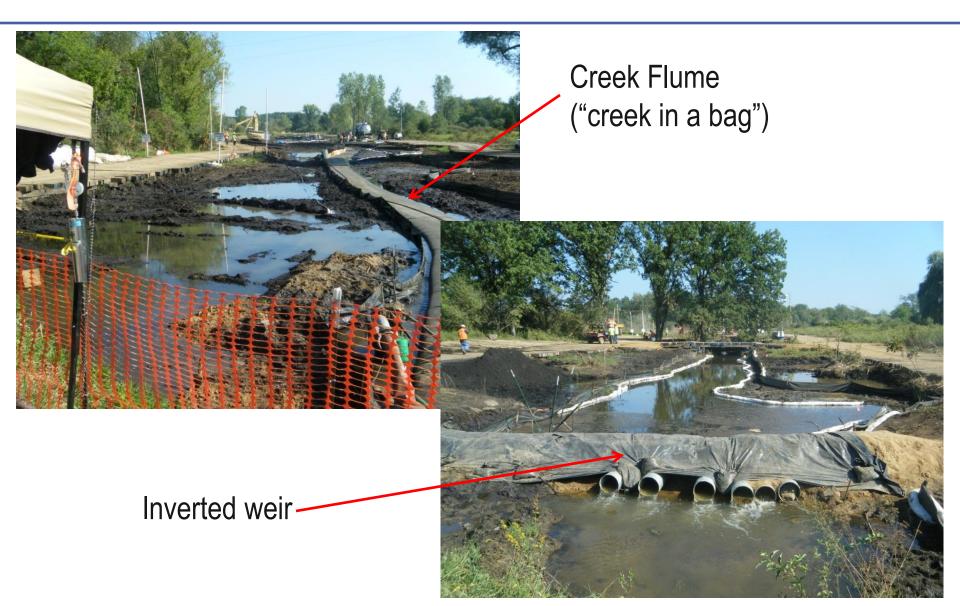








#### **Controlling Flow/Sediment Transport**























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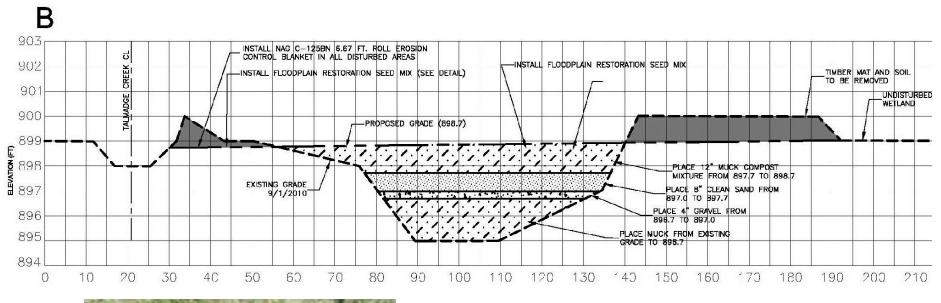


Fall 2010

Summer 2011

#### **Design Concept – Soils**

































#### Groundwater





Directly discharging into creek

Indirectly – subsurface discharging into creek



#### **Unique Techniques**



 Required to address unique situations

Heavy groundwater flows

Unconsolidated soils



#### **Rock Chutes**





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Nov. 2010

**July 2011** 

#### **Vegetative Mats**





# Proposed 2012 (if necessary)



#### Rock Ramps



- Creates riffles
- Increases habitat diversity
- Enables
   deposition
   on upstream
   ends of
   culverts



# Wildlife Habitat Structures Cardno



Fall 2010

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**July 2011** 

Nov. 2010





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