

## NHI Natural Community Site Evaluation

### General Site Information

**Site Name:** Sheboygan AOC - Schuchardt Property

**Biotics Site Name:**

**Evaluated by:** Clark

**Date Evaluated:** 07/12/2011

**Other Obs:**

**Last update:** 30-Sep-2011

**Materials included:**  Topo  Air Photo  Plant List  Photos

#### Access

Hwy 28, Hwy TA

#### Core Site Summary

2011 (Clark): Old oxbow of the Sheboygan River with a narrow loop of ditched wetlands. The outer edges of the loop are fairly steep slopes with disturbed oak forest. The inner portion has areas of alfalfa-hay fields, shrubby-grassy old fields, ditched wetlands, and disturbed oak forest. South of the railroad tracks is mostly Ag land with buildings - thickety woods, sections of a stream with cottonwood, box elder, and Ash-box elder forest.

Site significance: One of the only undeveloped thracts of any size in Sheboygan.

#### Management Considerations

Buckthorn, Dame's rocket, and garlic mustard are a problem in the forests. Buckthorn is especially bad. The wetlands have areas of reed canopy grass but it hasn't completely taken over. The alfalfa-hay fields could be planted as prairie restorations.

### Surrounding Land Use

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Agriculture             | <input type="checkbox"/> Savanna / woodland                    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Development             | <input type="checkbox"/> Conifer Forest                        |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Open/grassland          | <input type="checkbox"/> Deciduous Forest                      |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Barrens                 | <input type="checkbox"/> Other wetlands                        |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Shrub                   | <input type="checkbox"/> Recreational (trail, campground, etc) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Mixed conifer-deciduous | <input type="checkbox"/> Other                                 |

#### Comments:

2011 (Clark): Surrounded by development on the western side of the city of Sheboygan. A railroad passes through the souther portion.

#### Animals observed during visit:

### Waypoints

Waypoint ID	User ID	Observer	Date	Waypoint Description	Photo(s)	Latitude	Longitude
36269	142	Clark, Andy	2011-7-12	Southern dry mesic forest, 16-28" dbh red oak, white, burr oak, paper birch, dense common buckthorn, garlic mustard.	No	43.74694	-87.7466
36270	143	Clark, Andy	2011-7-12	Southern sedge meadow, Carex lacustris, bluejoint grass, cattail, reed canary grass, joe pye weed, jewelweed.	No	43.74744	-87.7478
36278	151	Clark, Andy	2011-7-12	Emergent aquatics in shallow water, duckweed, water plantain, water smartweed, reed canary grass, cattail.	No	43.74604	-87.7487
36282	155	Clark, Andy	2011-7-12	Floodplain forest along stream, 12-24" dbh white ash, green ash, box elder, w/ waterleaf, dames rocket, wood nettle, moneywort, garlic mustard, reed canary grass.	No	43.74148	-87.7458