

NHI Natural Community Site Evaluation

General Site Information

Site Name: Sheboygan AOC - Willow Island

Biotics Site Name:

Evaluated by: Clark

Date Evaluated: 05/24/2011

Other Obs:

Last update: 05-Oct-2011

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

Access

2011 (Clark): North side access off New Jersey Ave., south side access off Indiana Ave.

Core Site Summary

2011 (Clark): Small area of public land along both sides of the Sheboygan River of a few small low islands in the river. North side shoreline with crack willow, box elder, reed canary grass, garlic mustard, Dame's rocket, and waterleaf, disturbed and fairly open. Near the north bank are a few low, gravelly-muddy islands with shrubby willows, Phragmites, Phalaris, Urtica, Barbarea, prone to flooding, scouring. Willow Island is a bit higher and large. Semi open with crack willow, box elder, Barbarea, Urtica, Phalaris, Phragmites, Hesperis, Rhamnus, Solidago, Hydrophyllum, Alliaria. The banks along the south side is a narrow elevated river bank with "woods" of crack willow, box elder. Site significance: Common buckthorn, Dame's rocket, garlic mustard, reed canary grass, but also with a nice amount and diversity of natives - Isopyrum, Hydrophyllum, Dentaria diphylla, Allium tricoccum, Geranium maculatum, Staphylea. Public land on both sides of the river and islands. Trees are primarily exotic and invasives with a good native herb and some shrub components.

Management Considerations

Possibly native trees could be introduced or may become established with time. Islands are prone to flooding, erosion, etc. Restoration could be possible.

Surrounding Land Use

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| ☐ Agriculture | ☐ Savanna / woodland |
| ☐ Development | ☐ Conifer Forest |
| ☐ Open/grassland | ☐ Deciduous Forest |
| ☐ Barrens | ☐ Other wetlands |
| ☐ Shrub | ☐ Recreational (trail, campground, etc) |
| ☐ Mixed conifer-deciduous | ☐ Other |

Comments:

2011 (Clark): Within the city of Sheboygan, surrounded by urban development.

Animals observed during visit:

Waypoints

Waypoint ID	User ID	Observer	Date	Waypoint Description	Photo(s)	Latitude	Longitude
36167	40	Clark, Andy	2011-5-24	Disturbed floodplain on north side of the Sheboygan River, fairly open, crack willow, box elder to 12" dbh, Phalaris, Alliaria, Hesperis, Hydrophyllum virginianum.	No	43.74337	-87.7352
36168	41	Clark, Andy	2011-5-24	Low muddy, gravelly islands in the Sheboygan River, willow shrubs, Phalaris, Phragmites, Urtica, Impatiens, Barbarea.	No	43.74395	-87.7345
36172	45	Clark, Andy	2011-5-24	South bank of the Sheboygan River, view of Willow Island, an elevated island in the river w/ crack willow, box elder, common buckthorn, Phalaris, Phragmites, waterleaf, Barbarea, Hesperis, Alliaria, Solidago.	No	43.74318	-87.7325
36173	46	Clark, Andy	2011-5-24	South bank of the Sheboygan River, box elder to 18' dbh, common	No	43.74292	-87.7329

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buckthorn, waterleaf, geranium,
Phalaris, goldenrod, Hesperis, Alliaria,
leeks, crinkleroot, Isopyrum, Staphylea.