

Riverine Habitat Audit Procedure— SHEET 6 Cross-Sections

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Basin Sub-section Site Section Number for This reach

1 TYPE

- Pool
- Riffle
- Run
- Glide
- Cascade
- Rapid
- Backwater
- Other _____

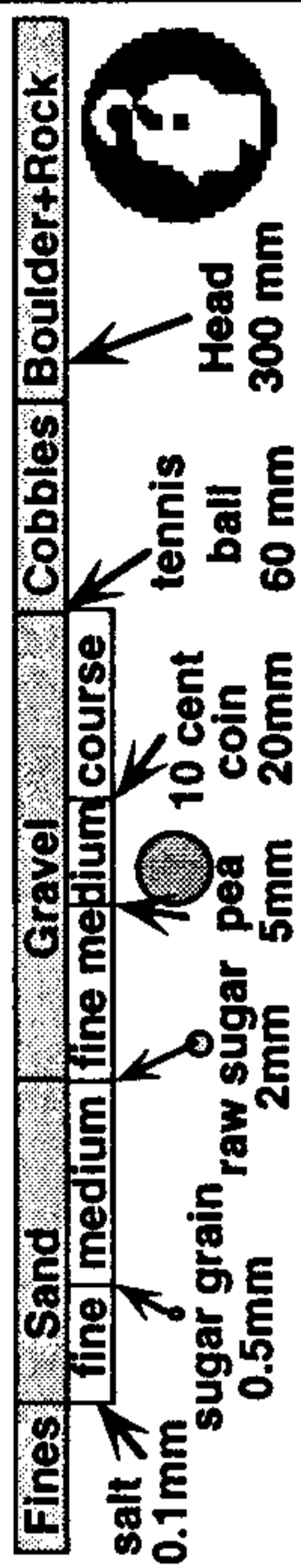
One or more cross-sections (separate sheets) are required for each channel habitat type within the reach. Begin at the water's margin on the left bank and take a series of distance and depth measurements. A minimum of 3 measurements is required for each cross-section including the width of stream. Also measure the width, height and slope for the left and right banks.

Lower bank = surface to water mark. If bed dry measure depth at water mark level.

Upper bank = water mark to inflexion point on the bank

Sediment Classification

Sediment classes are those of the SAA which are easier to estimate visually - estimate % of total inorganic volume occupied by each category. Estimate organics as % of total vol. Record presence of each type (esp. max. and min. sizes) and % vols for major fractions.



P. Organics = particulate organics - estimate as % of the total volume. Inorganic components are estimated from the inorganic fraction only (i.e. omitting the organics)

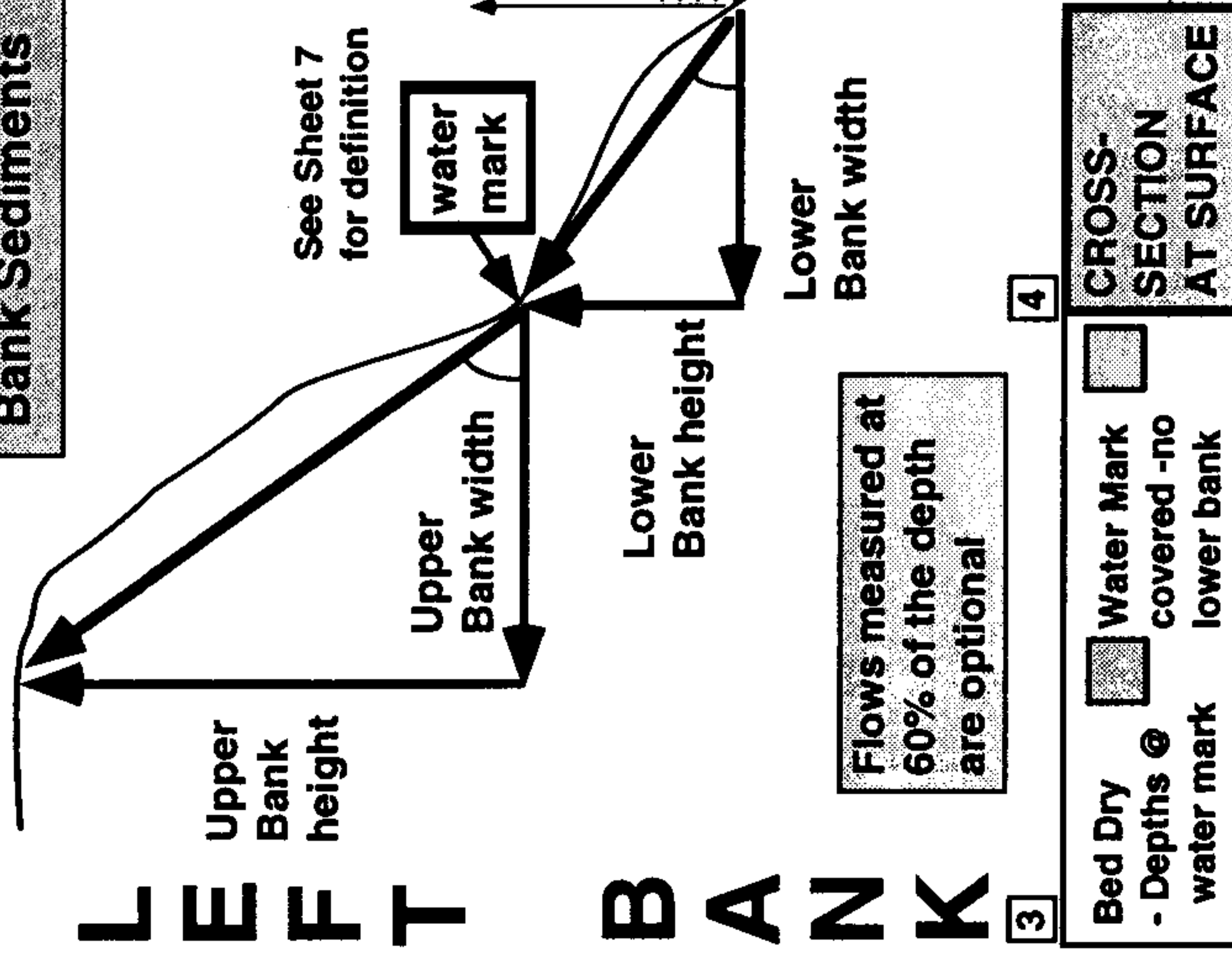
- 11 Rock Outcrops
- 1 Left Lower bank
 - 2 Left Upper bank
 - 3 Right Lower bank
 - 4 Right Upper bank
 - 5 Bed
 - 6 None

Bank Sediments

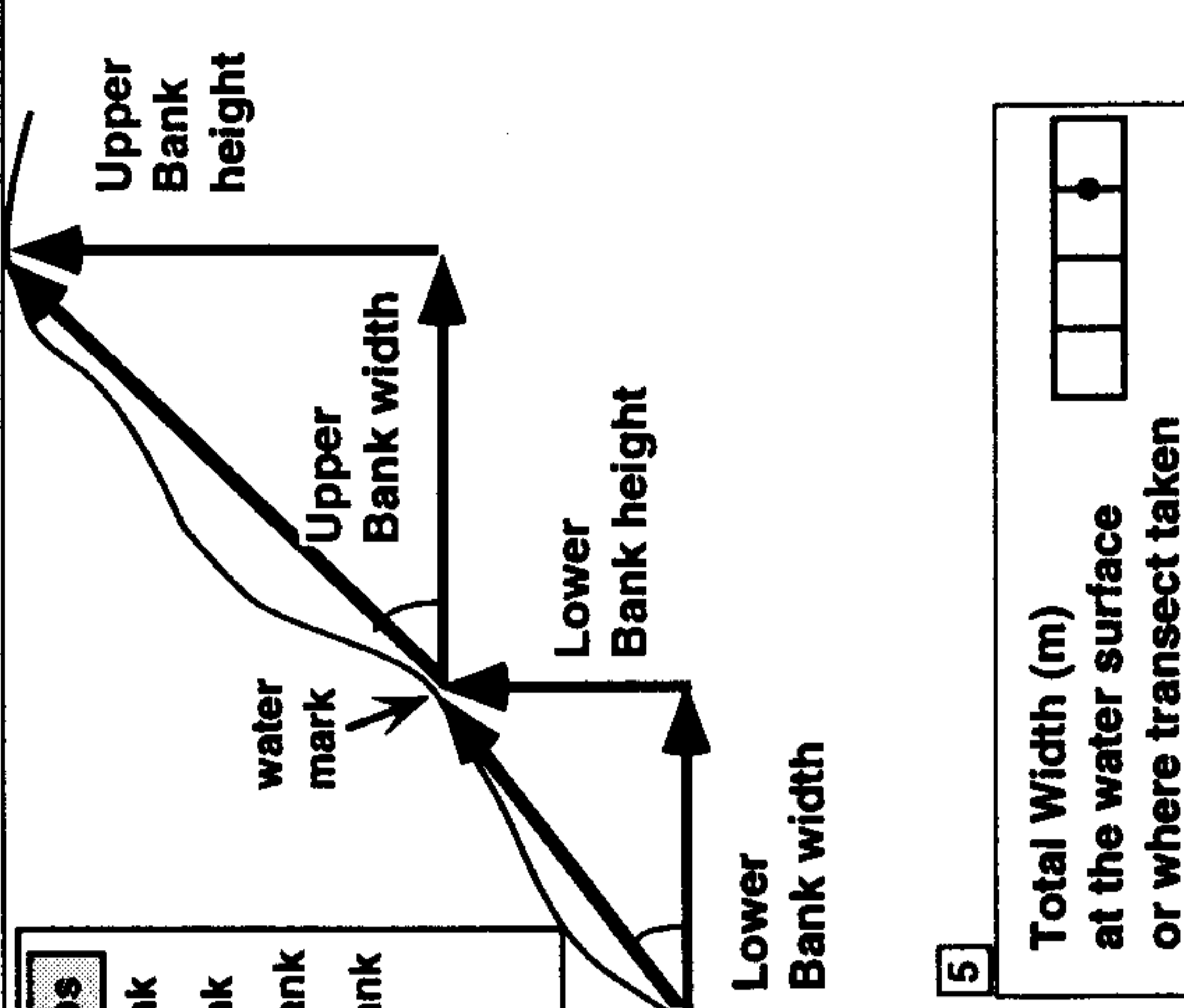
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.06 - 0.5	.06 - 0.5	.06 - 0.5
0.5 - 2	0.5 - 2	0.5 - 2
2 - 5	2 - 5	2 - 5
5 - 20	5 - 20	5 - 20
20 - 60	20 - 60	20 - 60
60 - 300	60 - 300	60 - 300
Bould > 300	Bould > 300	Bould > 300
P.Organics	P.Organics	P.Organics

Upper	Lower	Upper	Lower	Upper	Lower	Upper	Lower
pres. % by vol.	pres. % by vol.	pres. % by vol.	pres. % by vol.	pres. % by vol.	pres. % by vol.	pres. % by vol.	pres. % by vol.

Left	Upper	Right	Lower	Upper	Right	Lower	Upper
mm	pres. % by vol.	mm	pres. % by vol.	mm	pres. % by vol.	mm	pres. % by vol.
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5 - 20		5 - 20		5 - 20		5 - 20	
20 - 60		20 - 60		20 - 60		20 - 60	
60 - 300		60 - 300		60 - 300		60 - 300	
Bould > 300		Bould > 300		Bould > 300		Bould > 300	
P.Organics		P.Organics		P.Organics		P.Organics	



RIGHT BANK



3 Bed Dry - Depths @ water mark

4 CROSS-SECTION AT SURFACE

5 Total Width (m) at the water surface or where transect taken

6 LEFT LOWER BANK

Width (m)			
Height (m)			
Slope (deg.)			

7 LEFT UPPER BANK

Width (m)			
Height (m)			
Slope (deg.)			

Reading 1	Reading 2	Reading 3	Reading 4	Reading 5	Reading 6	Reading 7	Reading 8
Dist (m)	Dist (m)	Dist (m)	Dist (m)	Dist (m)	Dist (m)	Dist (m)	Dist (m)
Depth (m)	Depth (m)	Depth (m)	Depth (m)	Depth (m)	Depth (m)	Depth (m)	Depth (m)
Flow (m/s)	Flow (m/s)	Flow (m/s)	Flow (m/s)	Flow (m/s)	Flow (m/s)	Flow (m/s)	Flow (m/s)
mm	mm	mm	mm	mm	mm	mm	mm
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.06 - 0.5	.06 - 0.5	.06 - 0.5	.06 - 0.5	.06 - 0.5	.06 - 0.5	.06 - 0.5	.06 - 0.5
0.5 - 2	0.5 - 2	0.5 - 2	0.5 - 2	0.5 - 2	0.5 - 2	0.5 - 2	0.5 - 2
2 - 5	2 - 5	2 - 5	2 - 5	2 - 5	2 - 5	2 - 5	2 - 5
5 - 20	5 - 20	5 - 20	5 - 20	5 - 20	5 - 20	5 - 20	5 - 20
20 - 60	20 - 60	20 - 60	20 - 60	20 - 60	20 - 60	20 - 60	20 - 60
60 - 300	60 - 300	60 - 300	60 - 300	60 - 300	60 - 300	60 - 300	60 - 300
Bould > 300	Bould > 300	Bould > 300	Bould > 300	Bould > 300	Bould > 300	Bould > 300	Bould > 300
P.Organics	P.Organics	P.Organics	P.Organics	P.Organics	P.Organics	P.Organics	P.Organics

8 RIGHT LOWER BANK

Width (m)			
Height (m)			
Slope (deg.)			

9 RIGHT UPPER BANK

Width (m)			
Height (m)			
Slope (deg.)			

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