## DITCH INSPECTION FORM

DITCH NAME Dwelle Ditch

TYPE 6131

**RECONST DATE 1960** 

0+00 STA 11 Portage

LAST EXC 2005

LENGTH

OVERALL RATING 5 EXCELLENT 4 GOOD 3 FAIR 2 POOR 1 VERY POOR

ASSESSMENT BASE \$1071.10

## CURRENT CONDITION AND PLAN OF ACTION

SEDIMENT	GOOD CONDITION GOOD EXCAVATION 5-10 YRS NEEDS EXCAVATION SOON	
BANK STABILITY	☐ BANKS GOOD ⊠ BANKS STEEP LESS THAN 1.5:1 ☐ RIP RAP NEEDED	
OUTLET PIPES	GOOD CONDITION	
VEGETATION	□GOOD CONTROL □ NEEDS MOWING ⊠ BRUSH ⊠ CATTAILS ⊠ PHRAGMITIES	generally maintained by USG as far as practical near upper end.
FUTURE	2020	2021

Ditch starts on the east side of Gypsum Road at the souteast edge of Gypsum and flows east-southeast to Sandusky Bay. Ditch is entirely on USG property. The ditch was last excavated by USG at their expense. They do brush control (mowing) every 1-2 years, but now phragmities are almost totally filling the ditch all the way to the road. Most of the lower reach is not accessable due to phragmities and soft marshy area. The downstream 1/3 of the channel is in a wetland area with heavy phragmitie growth. Phragmities are starting in the upper reaches now since that section does not sit with water. The pipe under Gypsum Road is clean and the outlet end was free. I estimated a backwater condition to about 400' east of Gypsum Road. USG has the area fenced, but ditch maintenance personnell can get access with prior coordination. Although backwater influenced, this ditch is the only real outlet for Gypsum and it does provide an outlet. The heavy phragmitie, marshy area and access to do any work through the wetland area is the limiting factor. it is not practical or cost effective to try and control the phragmities except possibly in the 200-400 feet east of the road. In the future if Gypsum drainage is impacted due to backwater a pumping system may be the only practical solution. No major work planned for 2019.

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