

**Ohio EPA 2004 Integrated Report Appendix D.2  
Watershed Assessment Unit (WAU) Summaries**

**HUC11**                      **WAU Description**                                              **WAU Size (mi<sup>2</sup>):** 126.8  
04110003 050              Ashtabula River

**Integrated Report Assessment Category:** 5                                              **Priority Points:** 5  
**Next Scheduled Monitoring:** 2009

**Aquatic Life Use Assessment**

Subcategories of ALU:    WWH,LRW                                              Sampling Year(s):    1995  
Impairment:    Yes

Stream Size Category	Raw Data		% Attainment			WAU Score		
	Data Available	No. Attaining	Full	Partial	Non	Full	Partial	Non
<b>Small (Spatial)</b>								
< 5 mi <sup>2</sup>	Sites	Sites						
5-20 mi <sup>2</sup>	Sites	Sites	100.0	0.0	0.0			
20-50 mi <sup>2</sup>	1 Sites	1 Sites						
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<b>Large (Linear)</b>								
50-500 mi <sup>2</sup>	27.5 Miles	22.2 Miles	80.7	14.6	4.7			

High Magnitude Causes

Cause Unknown  
Priority Organics  
Other Habitat Alterations

High Magnitude Sources

Land Disposal  
Hazardous Waste  
Contaminated Sediments

**Recreation Use Assessment**

Subcategory of Use: Primary Contact  
Impairment: Unknown                                              Geometric Mean:  
No. Ambient Sites:                      No. Ambient Sampling Records:                      75<sup>th</sup> %ile:  
No. of NPDES MOR Sites:              No. of NPDES MOR Records:                      90<sup>th</sup> %ile:  
Other:

**Fish Consumption Advisory (FCA) Assessment**

Waters Within the WAU Sampled and Assessed: Yes  
FCA Issued: Yes  
(See the 2004 Ohio FCA for more detailed information at "[www.epa.state.oh.us/dsw/fishadvisory/index.html](http://www.epa.state.oh.us/dsw/fishadvisory/index.html)")  
Impairment Due to FCA: Yes                      Pollutant (Waterbody): PCBs (Ashtabula River)

**Comments**

A project to dredge and dispose of contaminated sediments from the lower Ashtabula River is currently in the design stage. The project is a collaborative effort between the Ohio EPA, the Army Corps of Engineers, and the Ashtabula River Partnership. The current schedule calls for construction to begin in the spring of 2004. Future monitoring within the watershed will be conducted within the normal rotating basin schedule after the cessation of the project and when sufficient recovery time has elapsed.