**Land Cover Change in the West Branch of Herring Run**

**Lesson 5**

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You will now have a chance to simulate different land cover scenarios in the West Branch of

Herring Run. Complete the table below for at least 3 different scenarios, then answer the

Discussion Questions.

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|  | Scenario 1 | Scenario 2 | Scenario 3 | Scenario 4 |
| Land Cover 1 |  |  |  |  |
| Land Cover 2 |  |  |  |  |
| Land Cover 3 |  |  |  |  |
| Peak Discharge\* |  |  |  |  |

\* to get peak discharge, place your cursor over the peak of the hydrograph and read the value on the y-axis

1. Which scenario produced the hydrograph with the lowest peak discharge? What was

the peak discharge of this hydrograph (hint: place your cursor at the peak of the

hydrograph to read the value on the y-axis)?

1. Which scenario produced the hydrograph with the highest peak discharge? What was

the peak discharge of this hydrograph (hint: place your cursor at the peak of the

hydrograph to read the value on the y-axis?

1. Which scenario is most likely to result in less flooding in the West Branch of Herring

Run? How do you know?

1. Is the scenario you chose for question 3 a realistic land cover scenario for Baltimore City to pursue? Why or why not?

VOCABULARY - Define each in your own words:

● Hydrograph (recall) ● Land Cover ● Hyetograph ● Discharge