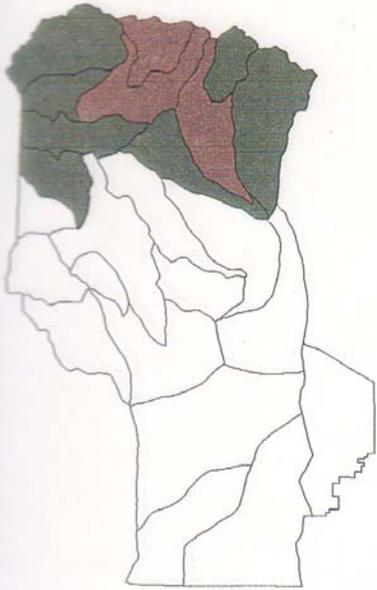
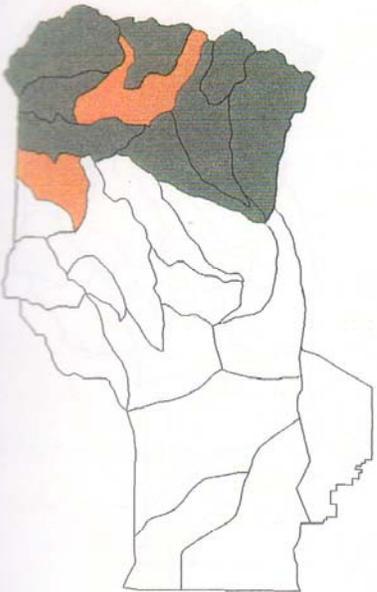


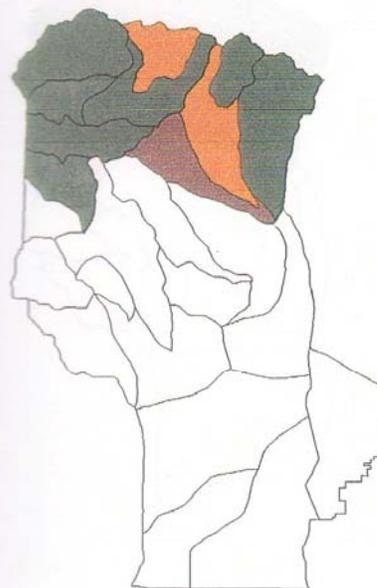
Figure 7. Fishery Habitat Integrity 6th Level HUC's



Status: Describes the health of the aquatic habitat and natural processes within the subbasin. The distribution, status, and health of the current fish populations also plays a role in the overall status rating. High, medium, and low ratings are based on composite ratings for the following fishery habitat indicators: pool frequency, pool quality, channel complexity, floodplain connectivity, subbasin connectivity, hydrograph modification, substrate embeddedness, bank stability, canopy cover, water temperature, riparian functioning condition, and road density. The general definitions for the habitat indicator ratings are located in Appendix 5.



Risk: This factor rates the likelihood that some short term disturbance or present management activity would degrade aquatic habitat conditions significantly below current levels for extended periods of time. The general definitions of the risk rating factors are located in Appendix 5.



Opportunity: This rating reflects the relative potential for improvement in habitat integrity given known land uses and conditions. The general definitions of the opportunity rating factors are located in Appendix 5.

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