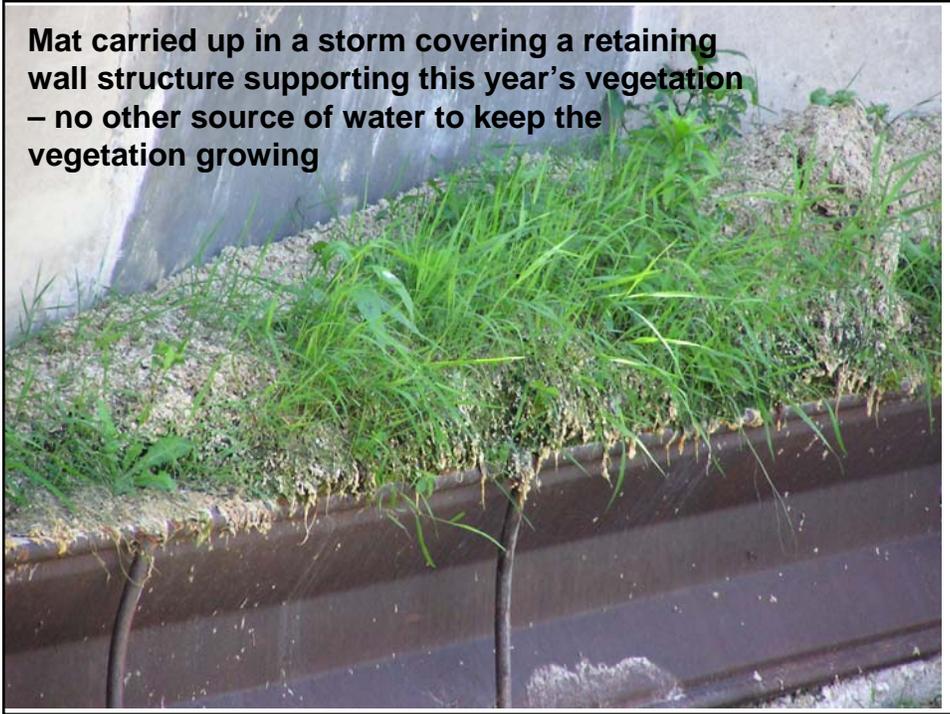




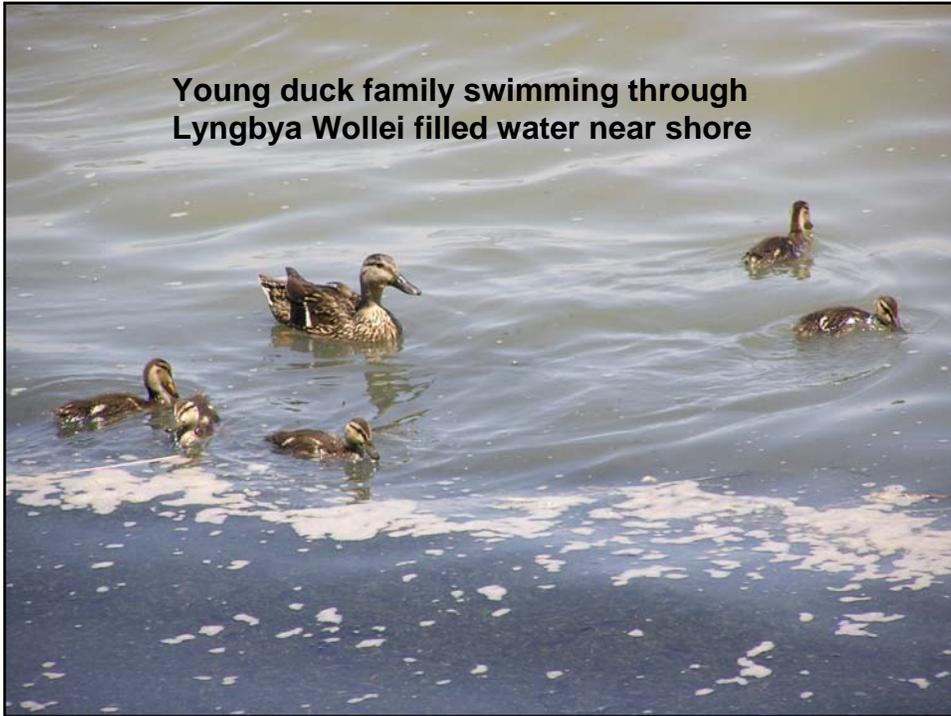
**Mat carried up in a storm covering a retaining wall structure supporting this year's vegetation – no other source of water to keep the vegetation growing**



**Retaining wall and steps from the beach covered with storm-tossed algae deposits from winter storms**



**Young duck family swimming through  
Lyngbya Wollei filled water near shore**

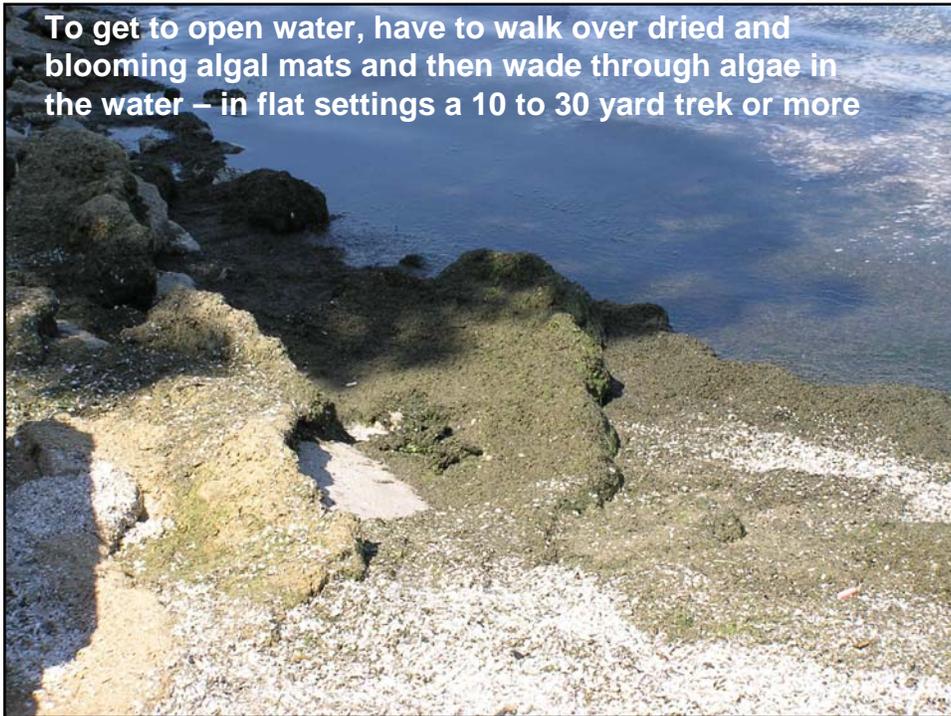


**All vegetation in stream  
channels killed back to the  
winter storm high-water mark,  
significant distance inland in  
areas of flat topography**





**Dried mats of the algae peel off of boulders on the beach**



**To get to open water, have to walk over dried and blooming algal mats and then wade through algae in the water – in flat settings a 10 to 30 yard trek or more**



**Near-shore conditions just west of Maumee Bay State Park and the beaches – first appearance, Fall 2006**