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If you show pictures of the stretches of the sections with poor habitat, it might be possible to figure out why those sections have not developed pools, while the ones in the photos have.

There is usually a reason, involving some sort of alterations / disturbances.

And once you figure out the cause of the problem, that leads to a possible solution.

I think people should be cautious about recommending fixes, when you have not even seen what is going on in the poor habitat stretches.

For example, it might be possible to drop some trees and create more large woody debris pools. If the conditions are right.

But if the channel has been straightened and channelized, dropped trees may not "stick", i.e. they may just get blown out in a flood. In that case you'd be sacrificing a tree and gaining nothing.