Profile Points
Instructions & Metadata

1. The 1st 7 columns describe WHERE (site characteristics), WHEN (time, date), & HOW you sampled:

	Site	Latitude	Longitude	Strata	Date	Profile	Method
format	*text*	*number: decimal degrees*		*text*: e.g., **natural**, **armored**, **pre-restoration**, **post-restoration**	*mm/dd/yyyy*	*text: e.g., **left, center, right***	*text*
description	use the same site name for multiple strata in the same place	these are central coordinates for the transect; use the same coordinates used previously if resampling the same strata at the same site		**natural:** never been armored & used as reference; **armored:** armored shoreline with no plans for removal; **pre-restoration:** armored shoreline with plans for restoration; **post-restoration:** restored treatment (e.g., armor removed); or other designation	sample date in number format	profile position within transect that data were collected facing landward	method used to collect profile data; *e.g., RTK-DGPS, laser level, manual level, poles & lines, other; or user defined (added after the fact, e.g., MLW, MHHW)*
required?	required			recommended	required		recommended

2. The next 6 columns describe the beach profile:

	Tape_distance_m	Elevation_MLLW_m	Distance_description	Profile_Lat	Profile_Long	Notes
format	*number: meters*	*number: meters*	*text*	*number: decimal degrees*		*text*
description	distance perpendicular from shore on the measuring tape	elevation sampled <u>in meters</u> relative to MLLW datum	e.g., MLW, MHHW, wrackline, logline, waterline, toe (of armor or bluff)	coordinates of individual points if collected with RTK-DGPS, or starting point at 0m tape distance for other methods		notes on data
required?	required		recommended			optional