

Wetland name or number Wetland A

H 1.6. Special habitat features <i>Check the habitat features that are present in the wetland. The number of checks is the number of points.</i>		
<input type="checkbox"/> Loose rocks larger than 4 in OR large, downed, woody debris (> 4 in diameter) within the area of surface ponding or in stream. <input type="checkbox"/> Cattails or bulrushes are present within the wetland. <input type="checkbox"/> Standing snags (diameter at the bottom > 4 in) in the wetland or within 30 m (100 ft) of the edge. <input type="checkbox"/> Emergent or shrub vegetation in areas that are permanently inundated/ponded. <input type="checkbox"/> Stable steep banks of fine material that might be used by beaver or muskrat for denning (> 45 degree slope) OR signs of recent beaver activity <input type="checkbox"/> Invasive species cover less than 20% in each stratum of vegetation (canopy, sub-canopy, shrubs, herbaceous, moss/ground cover)		0
Total for H 1		4
Rating of Site Potential If score is: <u>15-18 = H</u> <u>7-14 = M</u> <u>0-6 = L</u> Record the rating on the first page		

H 2.0. Does the landscape have the potential to support habitat functions of the site?		
H 2.1. Accessible habitat (only area of habitat abutting wetland). If total accessible habitat is: <i>Calculate:</i> % undisturbed habitat ____ + [(% moderate and low intensity land uses)/2] ____ = ____ % > 1/3 (33.3%) of 1 km Polygon points = 3 20-33% of 1km Polygon points = 2 10-19% of 1km Polygon points = 1 <10% of 1km Polygon points = 0		1
H 2.2. Undisturbed habitat in 1 km Polygon around wetland. <i>Calculate:</i> % undisturbed habitat ____ + [(% moderate and low intensity land uses)/2] ____ = ____ % Undisturbed habitat > 50% of Polygon points = 3 Undisturbed habitat 10 - 50% and in 1-3 patches points = 2 Undisturbed habitat 10 - 50% and > 3 patches points = 1 Undisturbed habitat < 10% of Polygon points = 0		6
H 2.3. Land use intensity in 1 km Polygon: > 50% of Polygon is high intensity land use points = (-2) Does not meet criterion above points = 0		-2
H 2.4. The wetland is in an area where annual rainfall is less than 12 in, and its water regime is not influenced by irrigation practices, dams, or water control structures. Generally, this means outside boundaries of reclamation areas, irrigation districts, or reservoirs Yes = 3 (No = 0)		0
Total for H 2		-1
Rating of Landscape Potential If score is: <u>4-9 = H</u> <u>1-3 = M</u> <u><1 = L</u> Record the rating on the first page		

H 3.0. Is the habitat provided by the site valuable to society?		
H 3.1. Does the site provide habitat for species valued in laws, regulations, or policies? Choose the highest score that applies to the wetland being rated Site meets ANY of the following criteria: points = 2 <input type="checkbox"/> It has 3 or more priority habitats within 100 m (see Appendix B) <input type="checkbox"/> It provides habitat for Threatened or Endangered species (any plant or animal on state or federal lists) <input type="checkbox"/> It is mapped as a location for an individual WDFW species <input type="checkbox"/> It is a Wetland of High Conservation Value as determined by the Department of Natural Resources <input type="checkbox"/> It has been categorized as an important habitat site in a local or regional comprehensive plan, in a Shoreline Master Plan, or in a watershed plan Site has 1 or 2 priority habitats within 100 m (see Appendix B) points = 1 Site does not meet any of the criteria above. points = 0		0
Rating of Value If score is: <u>2 = H</u> <u>1 = M</u> <u>0 = L</u> Record the rating on the first page		

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CATEGORIZATION BASED ON SPECIAL CHARACTERISTICS

Please determine if the wetland meets the attributes described below and circle the appropriate category. NOTE: A wetland may meet the criteria for more than one set of special characteristics. Record all those that apply. NOTE: All wetlands should also be characterized based on their functions.

Wetland Type <i>Check off any criteria that apply to the wetland. Circle the category when the appropriate criteria are met.</i>	Category
SC 1.0. Vernal pools Is the wetland less than 4000 ft² , and does it meet at least two of the following criteria? — Its only source of water is rainfall or snowmelt from a small contributing basin and has no groundwater input. — Wetland plants are typically present only in the spring; the summer vegetation is typically upland annuals. <i>If you find perennial, obligate, wetland plants, the wetland is probably NOT a vernal pool.</i> — The soil in the wetland is shallow [< 1 ft (30 cm) deep] and is underlain by an impermeable layer such as basalt or clay. — Surface water is present for less than 120 days during the wet season. <div style="text-align: right;">Yes – Go to SC 1.1 No = Not a vernal pool</div>	
SC 1.1. Is the vernal pool relatively undisturbed in February and March? <div style="text-align: right;">Yes – Go to SC 1.2 No = Not a vernal pool with special characteristics</div>	
SC 1.2. Is the vernal pool in an area where there are at least 3 separate aquatic resources within 0.5 mi (other wetlands, rivers, lakes etc.)? <div style="text-align: right;">Yes = Category II No = Category III</div>	Cat. II Cat. III
SC 2.0. Alkali wetlands Does the wetland meet one of the following criteria? — The wetland has a conductivity > 3.0 mS/cm. — The wetland has a conductivity between 2.0 and 3.0 mS, and more than 50% of the plant cover in the wetland can be classified as "alkali" species (see Table 4 for list of plants found in alkali systems). — If the wetland is dry at the time of your field visit, the central part of the area is covered with a layer of salt. OR does the wetland unit meet two of the following three sub-criteria? — Salt encrustations around more than 75% of the edge of the wetland — More than ¼ of the plant cover consists of species listed on Table 4 — A pH above 9.0. All alkali wetlands have a high pH, but please note that some freshwater wetlands may also have a high pH. Thus, pH alone is not a good indicator of alkali wetlands. <div style="text-align: right;">Yes = Category I No = Not an alkali wetland</div>	Cat. I
SC 3.0. Wetlands of High Conservation Value (WHCV) SC 3.1. Has the WA Department of Natural Resources updated their website to include the list of Wetlands of High Conservation Value? <div style="text-align: right;">Yes – Go to SC 3.2 No – Go to SC 3.3</div> SC 3.2. Is the wetland listed on the WDNR database as a Wetland of High Conservation Value? <div style="text-align: right;">Yes = Category I No = Not a WHCV</div> SC 3.3. Is the wetland in a Section/Township/Range that contains a Natural Heritage wetland? http://www1.dnr.wa.gov/nhp/refdesk/datasetsearch/wnhpwetlands.pdf <div style="text-align: right;">Yes – Contact WNHP/WDNR and go to SC 3.4 No = Not a WHCV</div> SC 3.4. Has WDNR identified the wetland within the S/T/R as a Wetland of High Conservation Value and it is listed on their website? <div style="text-align: right;">Yes = Category I No = Not a WHCV</div>	Cat. I

<p>SC 4.0 Bogs and Calcareous Fens Does the wetland (or any part of the wetland unit) meet both the criteria for soils and vegetation in bogs or calcareous fens? <i>Use the key below to identify if the wetland is a bog or calcareous fen. If you answer yes you will still need to rate the wetland based on its functions.</i></p> <p>SC 4.1. Does an area within the wetland have organic soil horizons (i.e., layers of organic soil), either peats or mucks, that compose 16 in or more of the first 32 in of the soil profile? <i>See Appendix C for a field key to identify organic soils.</i> Yes – Go to SC 4.3 No – Go to SC 4.2</p> <p>SC 4.2. Does an area within the wetland have organic soils, either peats or mucks, that are less than 16 in deep over bedrock or an impermeable hardpan such as clay or volcanic ash, or that are floating on top of a lake or pond? Yes – Go to SC 4.3 No – Is not a bog for rating</p> <p>SC 4.3. Does an area within the wetland have more than 70% cover of mosses at ground level AND at least 30% of the total plant cover consists of species in Table 5? Yes = Category I bog No – Go to SC 4.4 NOTE: If you are uncertain about the extent of mosses in the understory, you may substitute that criterion by measuring the pH of the water that seeps into a hole dug at least 16 in deep. If the pH is less than 5.0 and the plant species in Table 5 are present, the wetland is a bog.</p> <p>SC 4.4. Is an area with peats or mucks forested (> 30% cover) with subalpine fir, western red cedar, western hemlock, lodgepole pine, quaking aspen, Engelmann spruce, or western white pine, AND any of the species (or combination of species) listed in Table 5 provide more than 30% of the cover under the canopy? Yes = Category I bog No – Go to SC 4.5</p> <p>SC 4.5. Do the species listed in Table 6 comprise at least 20% of the total plant cover within an area of peats and mucks? Yes = Is a Calcareous Fen for purpose of rating No – Go to SC 4.6</p> <p>SC 4.6. Do the species listed in Table 6 comprise at least 10% of the total plant cover in an area of peats and mucks, AND one of the two following conditions is met: — Marl deposits [calcium carbonate (CaCO₃) precipitate] occur on the soil surface or plant stems — The pH of free water is ≥ 6.8 AND electrical conductivity is ≥ 200 uS/cm at multiple locations within the wetland Yes = Is a Category I calcareous fen No = Is not a calcareous fen</p>	<p>Cat. I</p> <p>Cat. I</p>
<p>SC 5.0. Forested Wetlands Does the wetland have an area of forest rooted within its boundary that meets at least one of the following three criteria? <i>(Continue only if you have identified that a forested class is present in question H 1.1)</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> — The wetland is within the 100 year floodplain of a river or stream — Aspen (<i>Populus tremuloides</i>) represents at least 20% of the total cover of woody species — There is at least ¼ ac of trees (even in wetlands smaller than 2.5 ac) that are “mature” or “old-growth” according to the definitions for these priority habitats developed by WDFW <i>(see definitions in question H3.1)</i> <p>Yes – Go to SC 5.1 No – Not a forested wetland with special characteristics</p> <p>SC 5.1. Does the wetland have a forest canopy where more than 50% of the tree species (by cover) are slow growing native trees <i>(see Table 7)</i>? Yes = Category I No – Go to SC 5.2</p> <p>SC 5.2. Does the wetland have areas where aspen (<i>Populus tremuloides</i>) represents at least 20% of the total cover of woody species? Yes = Category I No – Go to SC 5.3</p> <p>SC 5.3. Does the wetland have at least ¼ acre with a forest canopy where more than 50% of the tree species (by cover) are fast growing species <i>(see Table 7)</i>? Yes = Category II No – Go to SC 5.4</p> <p>SC 5.4. Is the forested component of the wetland within the 100 year floodplain of a river or stream? Yes = Category II No = Not a forested wetland with special characteristics</p>	<p>Cat. I</p> <p>Cat. I</p> <p>Cat. II</p> <p>Cat. II</p>
<p>Category of wetland based on Special Characteristics <i>Choose the highest rating if wetland falls into several categories</i> If you answered No for all types, enter “Not Applicable” on Summary Form</p>	

Appendix B: WDFW Priority Habitats in Eastern Washington

Priority habitats listed by WDFW (see complete descriptions of WDFW priority habitats, and the counties in which they can be found, in: Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife. 2008. Priority Habitat and Species List. Olympia, Washington. 177 pp. <http://wdfw.wa.gov/publications/00165/wdfw00165.pdf> or access the list from here: <http://wdfw.wa.gov/conservation/phs/list/>)

Count how many of the following priority habitats are within 330 ft (100 m) of the wetland: **NOTE:** This question is independent of the land use between the wetland and the priority habitat.

- **Aspen Stands:** Pure or mixed stands of aspen greater than 1 ac (0.4 ha).
- **Biodiversity Areas and Corridors:** Areas of habitat that are relatively important to various species of native fish and wildlife (full descriptions in WDFW PHS report)
- **Old-growth/Mature forests:** **Old-growth east of Cascade crest** – Stands are highly variable in tree species composition and structural characteristics due to the influence of fire, climate, and soils. In general, stands will be >150 years of age, with 10 trees/ac (25 trees/ha) that are > 21 in (53 cm) dbh, and 1-3 snags/ac (2.5-7.5 snags/ha) that are > 12-14 in (30-35 cm) diameter. Downed logs may vary from abundant to absent. Canopies may be single or multi-layered. Evidence of human-caused alterations to the stand will be absent or so slight as to not affect the ecosystem's essential structures and functions. **Mature forests** – Stands with average diameters exceeding 21 in (53 cm) dbh; crown cover may be less than 100%; decay, decadence, numbers of snags, and quantity of large downed material is generally less than that found in old-growth; 80-200 years old west and 80-160 years old east of the Cascade crest.
- **Oregon White Oak:** Woodland stands of pure oak or oak/conifer associations where canopy coverage of the oak component is important (full descriptions in WDFW PHS report p. 158 – see web link above).
- **Riparian:** The area adjacent to aquatic systems with flowing water that contains elements of both aquatic and terrestrial ecosystems which mutually influence each other.
- **Instream:** The combination of physical, biological, and chemical processes and conditions that interact to provide functional life history requirements for instream fish and wildlife resources.
- **Caves:** A naturally occurring cavity, recess, void, or system of interconnected passages under the earth in soils, rock, ice, or other geological formations and is large enough to contain a human.
- **Cliffs:** Greater than 25 ft (7.6 m) high and occurring below 5000 ft elevation.
- **Talus:** Homogenous areas of rock rubble ranging in average size 0.5 - 6.5 ft (0.15 - 2.0 m), composed of basalt, andesite, and/or sedimentary rock, including riprap slides and mine tailings. May be associated with cliffs.
- **Snags and Logs:** Trees are considered snags if they are dead or dying and exhibit sufficient decay characteristics to enable cavity excavation/use by wildlife. Priority snags have a diameter at breast height of > 12 in (30 cm) in eastern Washington and are > 6.5 ft (2 m) in height. Priority logs are > 12 in (30 cm) in diameter at the largest end, and > 20 ft (6 m) long.
- **Shrub-steppe:** A nonforested vegetation type consisting of one or more layers of perennial bunchgrasses and a conspicuous but discontinuous layer of shrubs (see Eastside Steppe for sites with little or no shrub cover).
- **Eastside Steppe:** Nonforested vegetation type dominated by broadleaf herbaceous flora (i.e., forbs), perennial bunchgrasses, or a combination of both. Bluebunch wheatgrass (*Pseudoroegneria spicata*) is often the prevailing cover component along with Idaho fescue (*Festuca idahoensis*), Sandberg bluegrass (*Poa secunda*), rough fescue (*F. campestris*), or needlegrasses (*Achnatherum* spp.).
- **Juniper Savannah:** All juniper woodlands.

Note: All vegetated wetlands are by definition a priority habitat but are not included in this list because they are addressed elsewhere.

Wetland Rating System for Eastern WA: 2014 Update

Effective January 1, 2015

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RATING SUMMARY – Eastern Washington

Name of wetland (or ID #):

Date of site visit: 1/21/20

Rated by Rachel Locke

Trained by Ecology?

Yes ✓

No Data

te of training.

HGM Class used for rating

Wetland has multiple H

GM class

es? Y ✓ N

NOTE: Form is not complete without the figures requested (*figures can be combined*).

Source of base aerial photo/map

OVERALL WETLAND CATEGORY

1. Category of wetland based on FUNCTIONS

 Category I – Total score = 22-27

Category II – Total score = 19-21

_____ Category III – Total score = 16-18

✓ Category IV – Total score = 9-15

FUNCTION	Improving Water Quality		Hydrologic		Habitat		
Circle the appropriate ratings							
Site Potential	H	M	L	H	M	L	
Landscape Potential	H	M	L	H	M	L	
Value	H	M	L	H	M	L	TOTAL
Score Based on Ratings	5		6		3		14

Score for each function based on three ratings
(order of ratings is not important)

9 = H,H,H

8 = H,H,M

7 = H,H,L

7 = H,M,M

$6 = H, M, L$

6 = M,M,M

5 = H,L,L

5 = M,M,L

4 = M, L, L

3 = L,L,L

2. Category based on SPECIAL CHARACTERISTICS of wetland

CHARACTERISTIC	CATEGORY <i>Circle the appropriate category</i>
Vernal Pools	II III
Alkali	I
Wetland of High Conservation Value	I
Bog and Calcareous Fens	I
Old Growth or Mature Forest – slow growing	I
Aspen Forest	I
Old Growth or Mature Forest – fast growing	II
Floodplain forest	II
None of the above	✓

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Maps and figures required to answer questions correctly for Eastern Washington Depressional Wetlands

Map of:	To answer questions:	Figure #
Cowardin plant classes and classes of emergents	D 1.3, H 1.1, H 1.5	
Hydroperiods (including area of open water for H 1.3)	D 1.4, H 1.2, H 1.3	
Location of outlet (<i>can be added to map of hydroperiods</i>)	D 1.1, D 4.1	
Boundary of area within 150 ft of the wetland (<i>can be added to another figure</i>)	D 2.2, D 5.2	
Map of the contributing basin	D 5.3	
1 km Polygon: Area that extends 1 km from entire wetland edge - including polygons for accessible habitat and undisturbed habitat	H 2.1, H 2.2, H 2.3	
Screen capture of map of 303(d) listed waters in basin (from Ecology website)	D 3.1, D 3.2	
Screen capture of list of TMDLs for WRIA in which wetland is found (website)	D 3.3	

Riverine Wetlands

Map of:	To answer questions:	Figure #
Cowardin plant classes and classes of emergents	H 1.1, H 1.5	
Hydroperiods	H 1.2, H 1.3	
Ponded depressions	R 1.1	
Boundary of area within 150 ft of the wetland (<i>can be added to another figure</i>)	R 2.4	
Map of the contributing basin	R 2.2, R 2.3, R 5.2	
Plant cover of trees, shrubs, and herbaceous plants	R 1.2, R 4.2	
Width of wetland vs. width of stream (<i>can be added to another figure</i>)	R 4.1	
1 km Polygon: Area that extends 1 km from entire wetland edge - including polygons for accessible habitat and undisturbed habitat	H 2.1, H 2.2, H 2.3	
Screen capture of map of 303(d) listed waters in basin (from Ecology website)	R 3.1	
Screen capture of list of TMDLs for WRIA in which wetland is found (website)	R 3.2, R 3.3	

Lake Fringe Wetlands

Map of:	To answer questions:	Figure #
Cowardin plant classes and classes of emergents	L 1.1, L 4.1, H 1.1, H 1.5	
Plant cover of trees, shrubs, and herbaceous plants	L 1.2	
Boundary of area within 150 ft of the wetland (<i>can be added to another figure</i>)	L 2.2	
1 km Polygon: Area that extends 1 km from entire wetland edge - including polygons for accessible habitat and undisturbed habitat	H 2.1, H 2.2, H 2.3	
Screen capture of map of 303(d) listed waters in basin (from Ecology website)	L 3.1, L 3.2	
Screen capture of list of TMDLs for WRIA in which wetland is found (website)	L 3.3	

Slope Wetlands

Map of:	To answer questions:	Figure #
Cowardin plant classes and classes of emergents	H 1.1, H 1.5	
Hydroperiods	H 1.2, H 1.3	
Plant cover of dense trees, shrubs, and herbaceous plants	S 1.3	
Plant cover of dense, rigid trees, shrubs, and herbaceous plants (<i>can be added to figure above</i>)	S 4.1	
Boundary of area within 150 ft of the wetland (<i>can be added to another figure</i>)	S 2.1, S 5.1	
1 km Polygon: Area that extends 1 km from entire wetland edge - including polygons for accessible habitat and undisturbed habitat	H 2.1, H 2.2, H 2.3	
Screen capture of map of 303(d) listed waters in basin (from Ecology website)	S 3.1, S 3.2	
Screen capture of list of TMDLs for WRIA in which wetland is found (website)	S 3.3	

HGM Classification of Wetland in Eastern Washington

For questions 1-4, the criteria described must apply to the entire unit being rated.

If the hydrologic criteria listed in each question do not apply to the entire unit being rated, you probably have a unit with multiple HGM classes. In this case, identify which hydrologic criteria in questions 1-4 apply, and go to Question 5.

1. Does the entire unit **meet both** of the following criteria?

- ☐ The vegetated part of the wetland is on the water side of the Ordinary High Water Mark of a body of permanent open water (without any plants on the surface) that is at least 20 ac (8 ha) in size
- ☐ At least 30% of the open water area is deeper than 10 ft (3 m)

NO - go to 2

YES - The wetland class is **Lake Fringe** (Lacustrine Fringe)

2. Does the entire wetland unit **meet all** of the following criteria?

- ☐ The wetland is on a slope (*slope can be very gradual*),
- ☐ The water flows through the wetland in one direction (unidirectional) and usually comes from seeps. It may flow subsurface, as sheetflow, or in a swale without distinct banks;
- ☐ The water leaves the wetland **without being impounded**.

NO - go to 3

YES - The wetland class is **Slope**

NOTE: Surface water does not pond in these type of wetlands except occasionally in very small and shallow depressions or behind hummocks (depressions are usually <3 ft diameter and less than 1 foot deep).

3. Does the entire wetland unit **meet all** of the following criteria?

- ☐ The unit is in a valley, or stream channel, where it gets inundated by overbank flooding from that stream or river;
- ☐ The overbank flooding occurs at least once every 10 years.

NO - go to 4

YES - The wetland class is **Riverine**

NOTE: The Riverine wetland can contain depressions that are filled with water when the river is not flooding.

4. Is the entire wetland unit in a topographic depression in which water ponds, or is saturated to the surface, at some time during the year. *This means that any outlet, if present, is higher than the interior of the wetland.*

NO - go to 5

YES - The wetland class is **Depressional**

5. Your wetland unit seems to be difficult to classify and probably contains several different HGM classes. For example, seeps at the base of a slope may grade into a riverine floodplain, or a small stream within a Depressional wetland has a zone of flooding along its sides. **GO BACK AND IDENTIFY WHICH OF THE HYDROLOGIC REGIMES DESCRIBED IN QUESTIONS 1-4 APPLY TO DIFFERENT AREAS IN THE WETLAND UNIT** (make a rough sketch to help you decide). Use the following table to identify the appropriate class to use for the rating system if you have several HGM classes present within the wetland unit being scored.

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NOTE: Use this table only if the class that is recommended in the second column represents 10% or more of the total area of the wetland unit being rated. If the area of the HGM class listed in column 2 is less than 10% of the wetland unit; classify the wetland using the class that represents more than 90% of the total area.

HGM classes within the wetland unit being rated	HGM Class to use in rating
Slope + Riverine	Riverine
Slope + Depressional	Depressional
Slope + Lake Fringe	Lake Fringe
Depressional + Riverine (the riverine portion is within the boundary of depression)	Depressional
Depressional + Lake Fringe	Depressional
Riverine + Lake Fringe	Riverine

*If you are still unable to determine which of the above criteria apply to your wetland, or if you have **more than 2 HGM classes** within a wetland boundary, classify the wetland as Depressional for the rating.*

Wetland name or number B**DEPRESSIONAL WETLANDS****Water Quality Functions** - Indicators that the site functions to improve water qualityPoints
(only 1
score per
box)**D 1.0. Does the site have the potential to improve water quality?****D 1.1. Characteristics of surface water outflows from the wetland:**

Wetland has no surface water outlet

points = 5

Wetland has an intermittently flowing outlet

points = 3

Wetland has a highly constricted permanently flowing outlet

points = 3

Wetland has a permanently flowing, unconstricted, surface outlet

points = 1

3

D 1.2. The soil 2 in below the surface (or duff layer) is true clay or true organic (use NRCS definitions of soils)

YES = 3 NO = 0

0

D 1.3. Characteristics of persistent vegetation (Emergent, Scrub-shrub, and/or Forested Cowardin classes)Wetland has persistent, ungrazed, vegetation for $> \frac{2}{3}$ of area

points = 5

Wetland has persistent, ungrazed, vegetation from $\frac{1}{3}$ to $\frac{2}{3}$ of area

points = 3

Wetland has persistent, ungrazed vegetation from $\frac{1}{10}$ to $< \frac{1}{3}$ of area

points = 1

Wetland has persistent, ungrazed vegetation $< \frac{1}{10}$ of area

points = 0

3

D 1.4. Characteristics of seasonal ponding or inundation:*This is the area of ponding that fluctuates every year. Do not count the area that is permanently ponded.*Area seasonally ponded is $> \frac{1}{2}$ total area of wetland

points = 3

Area seasonally ponded is $\frac{1}{4}$ - $\frac{1}{2}$ total area of wetland

points = 1

Area seasonally ponded is $< \frac{1}{4}$ total area of wetland

points = 0

1

Total for D 1

Add the points in the boxes above

7

Rating of Site Potential If score is: 12-16 = H ✓ 6-11 = M 0-5 = L

Record the rating on the first page

D 2.0. Does the landscape have the potential to support the water quality function of the site?**D 2.1. Does the wetland receive stormwater discharges?**

Yes = 1 No = 0

1

D 2.2. Is $> 10\%$ of the area within 150 ft of the wetland in land uses that generate pollutants?

Yes = 1 No = 0

1

D 2.3. Are there septic systems within 250 ft of the wetland?

Yes = 1 No = 0

0

D 2.4. Are there other sources of pollutants coming into the wetland that are not listed in questions

D 2.1- D 2.3? Source

Yes = 1 No = 0

0

Total for D 2

Add the points in the boxes above

2

Rating of Landscape Potential If score is: 3 or 4 = H ✓ 1 or 2 = M 0 = L

Record the rating on the first page

D 3.0. Is the water quality improvement provided by the site valuable to society?**D 3.1. Does the wetland discharge directly (i.e., within 1 mi) to a stream, river, or lake that is on the 303(d) list?**

Yes = 1 No = 0

0

D 3.2. Is the wetland in a basin or sub-basin where water quality is an issue in some aquatic resource [303(d) list, eutrophic lakes, problems with nuisance and toxic algae]?

Yes = 1 No = 0

0

D 3.3. Has the site been identified in a watershed or local plan as important for maintaining water quality (answer YES if there is a TMDL for the drainage or basin in which the wetland is found)?

Yes = 2 No = 0

0

Total for D 3

Add the points in the boxes above

0

Rating of Value If score is: 2-4 = H ✓ 1 = M 0 = L

Record the rating on the first page

Wetland name or number B**DEPRESSIONAL WETLANDS**Points
(only 1 score
per box)**Hydrologic Functions** - Indicators that the site functions to reduce flooding and erosion.**D 4.0. Does the site have the potential to reduce flooding and erosion?****D 4.1. Characteristics of surface water outflows from the wetland:**

Wetland has no surface water outlet

points = 8

Wetland has an intermittently flowing outlet

points = 4

Wetland has a highly constricted permanently flowing outlet

points = 4

Wetland has a permanently flowing unobstructed surface outlet

points = 0

(If outlet is a ditch and not permanently flowing treat wetland as "intermittently flowing")

4

D 4.2. Depth of storage during wet periods: Estimate the height of ponding above the bottom of the outlet. For wetlands with no outlet, measure from the surface of permanent water or deepest part (if dry).

Seasonal ponding: > 3 ft above the lowest point in wetland or the surface of permanent ponding

points = 8

Seasonal ponding: 2 ft - < 3 ft above the lowest point in wetland or the surface of permanent ponding

points = 6

The wetland is a headwater wetland

points = 4

Seasonal ponding: 1 ft - < 2 ft

points = 4

Seasonal ponding: 6 in - < 1 ft

points = 2

Seasonal ponding: < 6 in or wetland has only saturated soils

points = 0

2

Total for D 4

Add the points in the boxes above

6

Rating of Site Potential If score is: 12-16 = H ✓ 6-11 = M 0-5 = L

Record the rating on the first page

D 5.0. Does the landscape have the potential to support the hydrologic functions of the site?**D 5.1. Does the wetland receive stormwater discharges?**

Yes = 1 No = 0

1

D 5.2. Is > 10% of the area within 150 ft of the wetland in a land use that generates runoff?

Yes = 1 No = 0

0

D 5.3. Is more than 25% of the contributing basin of the wetland covered with intensive human land use?

Yes = 1 No = 0

1

Total for D 5

Add the points in the boxes above

2

Rating of Landscape Potential If score is: 3 = H ✓ 1 or 2 = M 0 = L

Record the rating on the first page

D 6.0. Are the hydrologic functions provided by the site valuable to society?**D 6.1. The wetland is in a landscape that has flooding problems.**

Choose the description that best matches conditions around the wetland being rated. Do not add points.

Choose the highest score if more than one condition is met.

The wetland captures surface water that would otherwise flow down-gradient into areas where flooding has damaged human or natural resources (e.g., houses or salmon redds), AND

Flooding occurs in sub-basin that is immediately down-gradient of wetland

points = 2

Surface flooding problems are in a sub-basin farther down-gradient

points = 1

The existing or potential outflow from the wetland is so constrained by human or natural conditions that the water stored by the wetland cannot reach areas that flood.

Explain why _____

points = 0

There are no problems with flooding downstream of the wetland

points = 0

1

D 6.2. Has the site has been identified as important for flood storage or flood conveyance in a regional flood control plan?

Yes = 2 No = 0

0

Total for D 6

Add the points in the boxes above

1

Rating of Value If score is: 2-4 = H ✓ 1 = M 0 = L

Record the rating on the first page

These questions apply to wetlands of all HGM classes.

(only 1
score per
box)**HABITAT FUNCTIONS** - Indicators that site functions to provide important habitat**H 1.0.** Does the wetland have the potential to provide habitat for many species?**H 1.1.** Structure of the plant community:Check the Cowardin vegetation classes present and categories of emergent plants. Size threshold for each category is $\geq \frac{1}{4}$ ac or $\geq 10\%$ of the wetland if wetland is < 2.5 ac.☐ Aquatic bed☒ Emergent plants 0-12 in (0-30 cm) high are the highest layer and have $> 30\%$ cover☐ Emergent plants $> 12-40$ in ($> 30-100$ cm) high are the highest layer with $> 30\%$ cover☐ Emergent plants > 40 in (> 100 cm) high are the highest layer with $> 30\%$ cover☐ Scrub-shrub (areas where shrubs have $> 30\%$ cover)☐ Forested (areas where trees have $> 30\%$ cover)

4 or more checks: points = 3

3 checks: points = 2

2 checks: points = 1

1 check: points = 0

H 1.2. Is one of the vegetation types Aquatic Bed?

Yes = 1 No = 0

H 1.3. Surface water**H 1.3.1.** Does the wetland have areas of open water (without emergent or shrub plants) over at least $\frac{1}{4}$ ac OR 10% of its area during the March to early June OR in August to the end of September? Answer YES for Lake Fringe wetlands. Yes = 3 points & go to H 1.4 No = go to H 1.3.2**H 1.3.2.** Does the wetland have an intermittent or permanent, and unvegetated stream within its boundaries, or along one side, over at least $\frac{1}{4}$ ac or 10% of its area? Answer yes only if H 1.3.1 is No. Yes = 3 No = 0**H 1.4.** Richness of plant speciesCount the number of plant species in the wetland that cover at least 10 ft^2 . Different patches of the same species can be combined to meet the size threshold. You do not have to name the species.

Do not include Eurasian milfoil, reed canarygrass, purple loosestrife, Russian olive, Phragmites, Canadian thistle, yellow-flag iris, and saltcedar (Tamarisk)

of species 2

Scoring: > 9 species: points = 2

4-9 species: points = 1

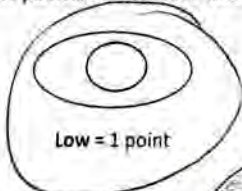
 ≤ 4 species: points = 0**H 1.5.** Interspersion of habitats

Decide from the diagrams below whether interspersions among types of plant structures (described in H 1.1), and unvegetated areas (open water or mudflats) is high, moderate, low, or none.

Use map of Cowardin and emergent plant classes prepared for questions H 1.1 and map of open water from H 1.3. If you have four or more plant classes or three classes and open water, the rating is always high.



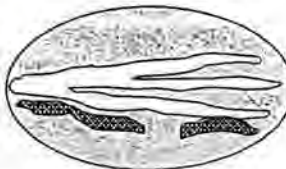
None = 0 points



Low = 1 point



Moderate = 2 points

All three diagrams in this row are
High = 3 points

Riparian braided channels with 2 classes

Figure 1

Wetland name or number

B

H 1.6. Special habitat features

Check the habitat features that are present in the wetland. The number of checks is the number of points.

- ☐ Loose rocks larger than 4 in OR large, downed, woody debris (> 4 in diameter) within the area of surface ponding or in stream.
- ☐ Cattails or bulrushes are present within the wetland.
- ☐ Standing snags (diameter at the bottom > 4 in) in the wetland or within 30 m (100 ft) of the edge.
- ☐ Emergent or shrub vegetation in areas that are permanently inundated/ponded.
- ☐ Stable steep banks of fine material that might be used by beaver or muskrat for denning (> 45 degree slope) OR signs of recent beaver activity
- ☐ Invasive species cover less than 20% in each stratum of vegetation (canopy, sub-canopy, shrubs, herbaceous, moss/ground cover)

0

Total for H 1

Add the points in the boxes above

1

Rating of Site Potential If score is: 15-18 = H 7-14 = M ✓ 0-6 = L Record the rating on the first page**H 2.0. Does the landscape have the potential to support habitat functions of the site?****H 2.1. Accessible habitat** (only area of habitat abutting wetland). If total accessible habitat is:

- Calculate: % undisturbed habitat ____ + [(% moderate and low intensity land uses)/2] ____ = ____ %
- > 1/3 (33.3%) of 1 km Polygon points = 3
- 20-33% of 1 km Polygon points = 2
- 10-19% of 1 km Polygon points = 1
- < 10% of 1 km Polygon points = 0

1

H 2.2. Undisturbed habitat in 1 km Polygon around wetland.

- Calculate: % undisturbed habitat ____ + [(% moderate and low intensity land uses)/2] ____ = ____ %
- Undisturbed habitat > 50% of Polygon points = 3
- Undisturbed habitat 10 - 50% and in 1-3 patches points = 2
- Undisturbed habitat 10 - 50% and > 3 patches points = 1
- Undisturbed habitat < 10% of Polygon points = 0

0

H 2.3. Land use intensity in 1 km Polygon:

- > 50% of Polygon is high intensity land use points = (-2)
- Does not meet criterion above points = 0

-2

H 2.4. The wetland is in an area where annual rainfall is less than 12 in, and its water regime is not influenced by irrigation practices, dams, or water control structures. Generally, this means outside boundaries of reclamation areas, irrigation districts, or reservoirs

Yes = 3 No = 0

0

Total for H 2

Add the points in the boxes above

-1

Rating of Landscape Potential If score is: 4-9 = H 1-3 = M ✓ < 1 = L Record the rating on the first page**H 3.0. Is the habitat provided by the site valuable to society?**

0

H 3.1. Does the site provide habitat for species valued in laws, regulations, or policies? Choose the highest score that applies to the wetland being rated

Site meets ANY of the following criteria:

points = 2

- ☐ It has 3 or more priority habitats within 100 m (see Appendix B)
- ☐ It provides habitat for Threatened or Endangered species (any plant or animal on state or federal lists)
- ☐ It is mapped as a location for an individual WDFW species
- ☐ It is a Wetland of High Conservation Value as determined by the Department of Natural Resources
- ☐ It has been categorized as an important habitat site in a local or regional comprehensive plan, in a Shoreline Master Plan, or in a watershed plan

Site has 1 or 2 priority habitats within 100 m (see Appendix B)

points = 1

Site does not meet any of the criteria above

points = 0

0

Rating of Value If score is: 2 = H 1 = M ✓ 0 = L Record the rating on the first page

Wetland name or number

B

CATEGORIZATION BASED ON SPECIAL CHARACTERISTICS

Please determine if the wetland meets the attributes described below and circle the appropriate category. NOTE: A wetland may meet the criteria for more than one set of special characteristics. Record all those that apply. NOTE: All wetlands should also be characterized based on their functions.

Wetland Type	Category
<p>SC 1.0. Vernal pools</p> <p>Is the wetland less than 4000 ft², and does it meet at least two of the following criteria?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> — Its only source of water is rainfall or snowmelt from a small contributing basin and has no groundwater input. — Wetland plants are typically present only in the spring; the summer vegetation is typically upland annuals. <i>If you find perennial, obligate, wetland plants, the wetland is probably NOT a vernal pool.</i> — The soil in the wetland is shallow [< 1 ft (30 cm) deep] and is underlain by an impermeable layer such as basalt or clay. — Surface water is present for less than 120 days during the wet season. <p>Yes – Go to SC 1.1 (No) = Not a vernal pool</p> <p>SC 1.1. Is the vernal pool relatively undisturbed in February and March? Yes – Go to SC 1.2 (No) = Not a vernal pool with special characteristics</p> <p>SC 1.2. Is the vernal pool in an area where there are at least 3 separate aquatic resources within 0.5 mi (other wetlands, rivers, lakes etc.)? Yes = Category II (No) = Category III</p>	
<p>SC 2.0. Alkali wetlands</p> <p>Does the wetland meet one of the following criteria?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> — The wetland has a conductivity > 3.0 mS/cm. — The wetland has a conductivity between 2.0 and 3.0 mS, and more than 50% of the plant cover in the wetland can be classified as "alkali" species (see Table 4 for list of plants found in alkali systems). — If the wetland is dry at the time of your field visit, the central part of the area is covered with a layer of salt. <p>OR does the wetland unit meet two of the following three sub-criteria?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> — Salt encrustations around more than 75% of the edge of the wetland — More than $\frac{1}{4}$ of the plant cover consists of species listed on Table 4 — A pH above 9.0. All alkali wetlands have a high pH, but please note that some freshwater wetlands may also have a high pH. Thus, pH alone is not a good indicator of alkali wetlands. <p>Yes = Category I (No) = Not an alkali wetland</p>	Cat. I
<p>SC 3.0. Wetlands of High Conservation Value (WHCV)</p> <p>SC 3.1. Has the WA Department of Natural Resources updated their website to include the list of Wetlands of High Conservation Value? Yes – Go to SC 3.2 (No) – Go to SC 3.3</p> <p>SC 3.2. Is the wetland listed on the WDNR database as a Wetland of High Conservation Value? Yes = Category I (No) = Not a WHCV</p> <p>SC 3.3. Is the wetland in a Section/Township/Range that contains a Natural Heritage wetland? http://www1.dnr.wa.gov/nhp/refdesk/datasetsearch/wnhpwwetlands.pdf Yes – Contact WNHP/WDNR and go to SC 3.4 (No) = Not a WHCV</p> <p>SC 3.4. Has WDNR identified the wetland within the S/T/R as a Wetland of High Conservation Value and it is listed on their website? Yes = Category I (No) = Not a WHCV</p>	Cat. I

<p>SC 4.0 Bogs and Calcareous Fens</p> <p>Does the wetland (or any part of the wetland unit) meet both the criteria for soils and vegetation in bogs or calcareous fens? <i>Use the key below to identify if the wetland is a bog or calcareous fen. If you answer yes you will still need to rate the wetland based on its functions.</i></p> <p>SC 4.1. Does an area within the wetland have organic soil horizons (i.e., layers of organic soil), either peats or mucks, that compose 16 in or more of the first 32 in of the soil profile? <i>See Appendix C for a field key to identify organic soils.</i> Yes - Go to SC 4.3 (No) - Go to SC 4.2</p> <p>SC 4.2. Does an area within the wetland have organic soils, either peats or mucks, that are less than 16 in deep over bedrock or an impermeable hardpan such as clay or volcanic ash, or that are floating on top of a lake or pond? Yes - Go to SC 4.3 (No) - Is not a bog for rating</p> <p>SC 4.3. Does an area within the wetland have more than 70% cover of mosses at ground level AND at least 30% of the total plant cover consists of species in Table 5? Yes = Category I bog (No) - Go to SC 4.4</p> <p>NOTE: If you are uncertain about the extent of mosses in the understory, you may substitute that criterion by measuring the pH of the water that seeps into a hole dug at least 16 in deep. If the pH is less than 5.0 and the plant species in Table 5 are present, the wetland is a bog.</p> <p>SC 4.4. Is an area with peats or mucks forested (> 30% cover) with subalpine fir, western red cedar, western hemlock, lodgepole pine, quaking aspen, Engelmann spruce, or western white pine, AND any of the species (or combination of species) listed in Table 5 provide more than 30% of the cover under the canopy? Yes = Category I bog (No) - Go to SC 4.5</p> <p>SC 4.5. Do the species listed in Table 6 comprise at least 20% of the total plant cover within an area of peats and mucks? Yes = Is a Calcareous Fen for purpose of rating (No) - Go to SC 4.6</p> <p>SC 4.6. Do the species listed in Table 6 comprise at least 10% of the total plant cover in an area of peats and mucks, AND one of the two following conditions is met: — Marl deposits [calcium carbonate (CaCO_3) precipitate] occur on the soil surface or plant stems — The pH of free water is ≥ 6.8 AND electrical conductivity is ≥ 200 $\mu\text{S}/\text{cm}$ at multiple locations within the wetland Yes = Is a Category I calcareous fen (No) - Is not a calcareous fen </p>	<p>Cat. I</p> <p>Cat. I</p>
<p>SC 5.0. Forested Wetlands</p> <p>Does the wetland have an area of forest rooted within its boundary that meets at least one of the following three criteria? <i>(Continue only if you have identified that a forested class is present in question H 1.1)</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> — The wetland is within the 100 year floodplain of a river or stream — Aspen (<i>Populus tremuloides</i>) represents at least 20% of the total cover of woody species — There is at least $\frac{1}{4}$ ac of trees (even in wetlands smaller than 2.5 ac) that are "mature" or "old-growth" according to the definitions for these priority habitats developed by WDFW <i>(see definitions in question H3.1)</i> <p>Yes - Go to SC 5.1 (No) - Not a forested wetland with special characteristics</p> <p>SC 5.1. Does the wetland have a forest canopy where more than 50% of the tree species (by cover) are slow growing native trees <i>(see Table 7)</i>? Yes = Category I (No) - Go to SC 5.2</p> <p>SC 5.2. Does the wetland have areas where aspen (<i>Populus tremuloides</i>) represents at least 20% of the total cover of woody species? Yes = Category I (No) - Go to SC 5.3</p> <p>SC 5.3. Does the wetland have at least $\frac{1}{4}$ acre with a forest canopy where more than 50% of the tree species (by cover) are fast growing species <i>(see Table 7)</i>? Yes = Category II (No) - Go to SC 5.4</p> <p>SC 5.4. Is the forested component of the wetland within the 100 year floodplain of a river or stream? Yes = Category II (No) - Not a forested wetland with special characteristics</p>	<p>Cat. I</p> <p>Cat. I</p> <p>Cat. II</p> <p>Cat. II</p>
<p>Category of wetland based on Special Characteristics</p> <p>Choose the highest rating if wetland falls into several categories</p> <p>If you answered No for all types, enter "Not Applicable" on Summary Form</p>	<p>Not Applicable</p>

Appendix B: WDFW Priority Habitats in Eastern Washington

Priority habitats listed by WDFW (see complete descriptions of WDFW priority habitats, and the counties in which they can be found, in: Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife. 2008. Priority Habitat and Species List. Olympia, Washington. 177 pp. <http://wdfw.wa.gov/publications/00165/wdfw00165.pdf> or access the list from here: <http://wdfw.wa.gov/conservation/phs/list/>)

Count how many of the following priority habitats are within 330 ft (100 m) of the wetland: **NOTE:** This question is independent of the land use between the wetland and the priority habitat.

- **Aspen Stands:** Pure or mixed stands of aspen greater than 1 ac (0.4 ha).
- **Biodiversity Areas and Corridors:** Areas of habitat that are relatively important to various species of native fish and wildlife (full descriptions in WDFW PHS report).
- **Old-growth/Mature forests:** Old-growth east of Cascade crest – Stands are highly variable in tree species composition and structural characteristics due to the influence of fire, climate, and soils. In general, stands will be >150 years of age, with 10 trees/ac (25 trees/ha) that are > 21 in (53 cm) dbh, and 1-3 snags/ac (2.5-7.5 snags/ha) that are > 12-14 in (30-35 cm) diameter. Downed logs may vary from abundant to absent. Canopies may be single or multi-layered. Evidence of human-caused alterations to the stand will be absent or so slight as to not affect the ecosystem's essential structures and functions. Mature forests – Stands with average diameters exceeding 21 in (53 cm) dbh; crown cover may be less than 100%; decay, decadence, numbers of snags, and quantity of large downed material is generally less than that found in old-growth; 80-200 years old west and 80-160 years old east of the Cascade crest.
- **Oregon White Oak:** Woodland stands of pure oak or oak/conifer associations where canopy coverage of the oak component is important (full descriptions in WDFW PHS report p. 158 – see web link above).
- **Riparian:** The area adjacent to aquatic systems with flowing water that contains elements of both aquatic and terrestrial ecosystems which mutually influence each other.
- **Instream:** The combination of physical, biological, and chemical processes and conditions that interact to provide functional life history requirements for instream fish and wildlife resources.
- **Caves:** A naturally occurring cavity, recess, void, or system of interconnected passages under the earth in soils, rock, ice, or other geological formations and is large enough to contain a human.
- **Cliffs:** Greater than 25 ft (7.6 m) high and occurring below 5000 ft elevation.
- **Talus:** Homogenous areas of rock rubble ranging in average size 0.5 - 6.5 ft (0.15 - 2.0 m), composed of basalt, andesite, and/or sedimentary rock, including riprap slides and mine tailings. May be associated with cliffs.
- **Snags and Logs:** Trees are considered snags if they are dead or dying and exhibit sufficient decay characteristics to enable cavity excavation/use by wildlife. Priority snags have a diameter at breast height of > 12 in (30 cm) in eastern Washington and are > 6.5 ft (2 m) in height. Priority logs are > 12 in (30 cm) in diameter at the largest end, and > 20 ft (6 m) long.
- **Shrub-steppe:** A nonforested vegetation type consisting of one or more layers of perennial bunchgrasses and a conspicuous but discontinuous layer of shrubs (see Eastside Steppe for sites with little or no shrub cover).
- **Eastside Steppe:** Nonforested vegetation type dominated by broadleaf herbaceous flora (i.e., forbs), perennial bunchgrasses, or a combination of both. Bluebunch wheatgrass (*Pseudoroegneria spicata*) is often the prevailing cover component along with Idaho fescue (*Festuca idahoensis*), Sandberg bluegrass (*Poa secunda*), rough fescue (*F. campestris*), or needlegrasses (*Achnatherum* spp.).
- **Juniper Savannah:** All juniper woodlands.

Note: All vegetated wetlands are by definition a priority habitat but are not included in this list because they are addressed elsewhere.

Wetland name or number Wetland C

RATING SUMMARY – Eastern Washington

Name of wetland (or ID #): Wetland C Date of site visit: 4/30/20
 Rated by Rachel Locke Trained by Ecology? Yes ☒ No Date of training _____

HGM Class used for rating Depressional Wetland has multiple HGM classes? Y N

NOTE: Form is not complete without the figures requested (figures can be combined).

Source of base aerial photo/map _____

OVERALL WETLAND CATEGORY _____ (based on functions _____ or special characteristics _____)

1. Category of wetland based on FUNCTIONS

- _____ Category I – Total score = 22-27
 _____ Category II – Total score = 19-21
 _____ Category III – Total score = 16-18
☒ Category IV – Total score = 9-15

FUNCTION	Improving Water Quality			Hydrologic			Habitat			
Circle the appropriate ratings										
Site Potential	H	M	L	H	M	L	H	M	L	
Landscape Potential	H	M	L	H	M	L	H	M	L	
Value	H	M	L	H	M	L	H	M	L	
Score Based on Ratings	0			5			3			14

Score for each function based on three ratings (order of ratings is not important)

9 = H,H,H
 8 = H,H,M
 7 = H,H,L
 7 = H,M,M
 6 = H,M,L
 6 = M,M,M
 5 = H,L,L
 5 = M,M,L
 4 = M,L,L
 3 = L,L,L

2. Category based on SPECIAL CHARACTERISTICS of wetland

CHARACTERISTIC	CATEGORY	
	Circle the appropriate category	
Vernal Pools	<u>II</u>	III
Alkali	I	
Wetland of High Conservation Value	I	
Bog and Calcareous Fens	I	
Old Growth or Mature Forest – slow growing	I	
Aspen Forest	I	
Old Growth or Mature Forest – fast growing	II	
Floodplain forest	II	
None of the above	<u>✓</u>	

Wetland name or number C

Maps and figures required to answer questions correctly for Eastern Washington Depressional Wetlands

Map of:	To answer questions:	Figure #
Cowardin plant classes and classes of emergents	D 1.3, H 1.1, H 1.5	
Hydroperiods (including area of open water for H 1.3)	D 1.4, H 1.2, H 1.3	
Location of outlet (<i>can be added to map of hydroperiods</i>)	D 1.1, D 4.1	
Boundary of area within 150 ft of the wetland (<i>can be added to another figure</i>)	D 2.2, D 5.2	
Map of the contributing basin	D 5.3	
1 km Polygon: Area that extends 1 km from entire wetland edge - including polygons for accessible habitat and undisturbed habitat	H 2.1, H 2.2, H 2.3	
Screen capture of map of 303(d) listed waters in basin (from Ecology website)	D 3.1, D 3.2	
Screen capture of list of TMDLs for WRIA in which wetland is found (website)	D 3.3	

Riverine Wetlands

Map of:	To answer questions:	Figure #
Cowardin plant classes and classes of emergents	H 1.1, H 1.5	
Hydroperiods	H 1.2, H 1.3	
Ponded depressions	R 1.1	
Boundary of area within 150 ft of the wetland (<i>can be added to another figure</i>)	R 2.4	
Map of the contributing basin	R 2.2, R 2.3, R 5.2	
Plant cover of trees, shrubs, and herbaceous plants	R 1.2, R 4.2	
Width of wetland vs. width of stream (<i>can be added to another figure</i>)	R 4.1	
1 km Polygon: Area that extends 1 km from entire wetland edge - including polygons for accessible habitat and undisturbed habitat	H 2.1, H 2.2, H 2.3	
Screen capture of map of 303(d) listed waters in basin (from Ecology website)	R 3.1	
Screen capture of list of TMDLs for WRIA in which wetland is found (website)	R 3.2, R 3.3	

Lake Fringe Wetlands

Map of:	To answer questions:	Figure #
Cowardin plant classes and classes of emergents	L 1.1, L 4.1, H 1.1, H 1.5	
Plant cover of trees, shrubs, and herbaceous plants	L 1.2	
Boundary of area within 150 ft of the wetland (<i>can be added to another figure</i>)	L 2.2	
1 km Polygon: Area that extends 1 km from entire wetland edge - including polygons for accessible habitat and undisturbed habitat	H 2.1, H 2.2, H 2.3	
Screen capture of map of 303(d) listed waters in basin (from Ecology website)	L 3.1, L 3.2	
Screen capture of list of TMDLs for WRIA in which wetland is found (website)	L 3.3	

Slope Wetlands

Map of:	To answer questions:	Figure #
Cowardin plant classes and classes of emergents	H 1.1, H 1.5	
Hydroperiods	H 1.2, H 1.3	
Plant cover of dense trees, shrubs, and herbaceous plants	S 1.3	
Plant cover of dense, rigid trees, shrubs, and herbaceous plants (<i>can be added to figure above</i>)	S 4.1	
Boundary of area within 150 ft of the wetland (<i>can be added to another figure</i>)	S 2.1, S 5.1	
1 km Polygon: Area that extends 1 km from entire wetland edge - including polygons for accessible habitat and undisturbed habitat	H 2.1, H 2.2, H 2.3	
Screen capture of map of 303(d) listed waters in basin (from Ecology website)	S 3.1, S 3.2	
Screen capture of list of TMDLs for WRIA in which wetland is found (website)	S 3.3	

HGM Classification of Wetland in Eastern Washington

For questions 1-4, the criteria described must apply to the entire unit being rated.

If the hydrologic criteria listed in each question do not apply to the entire unit being rated, you probably have a unit with multiple HGM classes. In this case, identify which hydrologic criteria in questions 1-4 apply, and go to Question 5.

1. Does the entire unit **meet both** of the following criteria?

- ☐ The vegetated part of the wetland is on the water side of the Ordinary High Water Mark of a body of permanent open water (without any plants on the surface) that is at least 20 ac (8 ha) in size
- ☐ At least 30% of the open water area is deeper than 10 ft (3 m)

NO - go to 2

YES - The wetland class is **Lake Fringe** (Lacustrine Fringe)

2. Does the entire wetland unit **meet all** of the following criteria?

- ☐ The wetland is on a slope (*slope can be very gradual*).
- ☐ The water flows through the wetland in one direction (unidirectional) and usually comes from seeps. It may flow subsurface, as sheetflow, or in a swale without distinct banks;
- ☐ The water leaves the wetland **without being impounded**.

NO - go to 3

YES - The wetland class is **Slope**

NOTE: Surface water does not pond in these type of wetlands except occasionally in very small and shallow depressions or behind hummocks (depressions are usually <3 ft diameter and less than 1 foot deep).

3. Does the entire wetland unit **meet all** of the following criteria?

- ☐ The unit is in a valley, or stream channel, where it gets inundated by overbank flooding from that stream or river;
- ☐ The overbank flooding occurs at least once every 10 years.

NO - go to 4

YES - The wetland class is **Riverine**

NOTE: The Riverine wetland can contain depressions that are filled with water when the river is not flooding.

4. Is the entire wetland unit in a topographic depression in which water ponds, or is saturated to the surface, at some time during the year. *This means that any outlet, if present, is higher than the interior of the wetland.*

NO - go to 5

YES - The wetland class is **Depressional**

5. Your wetland unit seems to be difficult to classify and probably contains several different HGM classes. For example, seeps at the base of a slope may grade into a riverine floodplain, or a small stream within a Depressional wetland has a zone of flooding along its sides. **GO BACK AND IDENTIFY WHICH OF THE HYDROLOGIC REGIMES DESCRIBED IN QUESTIONS 1-4 APPLY TO DIFFERENT AREAS IN THE WETLAND UNIT** (make a rough sketch to help you decide). Use the following table to identify the appropriate class to use for the rating system if you have several HGM classes present within the wetland unit being scored.

Wetland name or number _____

NOTE: Use this table only if the class that is recommended in the second column represents 10% or more of the total area of the wetland unit being rated. If the area of the HGM class listed in column 2 is less than 10% of the wetland unit; classify the wetland using the class that represents more than 90% of the total area.

HGM classes within the wetland unit being rated	HGM Class to use in rating
Slope + Riverine	Riverine
Slope + Depressional	Depressional
Slope + Lake Fringe	Lake Fringe
Depressional + Riverine (the riverine portion is within the boundary of depression)	Depressional
Depressional + Lake Fringe	Depressional
Riverine + Lake Fringe	Riverine

*If you are still unable to determine which of the above criteria apply to your wetland, or if you have **more than 2 HGM classes** within a wetland boundary, classify the wetland as Depressional for the rating.*

Wetland name or number C**DEPRESSIONAL WETLANDS**Points
(only 1
score per
box)**Water Quality Functions** - Indicators that the site functions to improve water quality**D 1.0. Does the site have the potential to improve water quality?****D 1.1. Characteristics of surface water outflows from the wetland:**

Wetland has no surface water outlet

points = 5

Wetland has an intermittently flowing outlet

points = 3

Wetland has a highly constricted permanently flowing outlet

points = 2

Wetland has a permanently flowing, unconstricted, surface outlet

points = 1

1

D 1.2. The soil 2 in below the surface (or duff layer) is true clay or true organic (use NRCS definitions of soils)

YES = 3 NO = 0

0

D 1.3. Characteristics of persistent vegetation (Emergent, Scrub-shrub, and/or Forested Cowardin classes)Wetland has persistent, ungrazed, vegetation for $> \frac{2}{3}$ of area

points = 5

Wetland has persistent, ungrazed, vegetation from $\frac{1}{3}$ to $\frac{2}{3}$ of area

points = 3

Wetland has persistent, ungrazed vegetation from $\frac{1}{10}$ to $< \frac{1}{3}$ of area

points = 1

Wetland has persistent, ungrazed vegetation $< \frac{1}{10}$ of area

points = 0

3

D 1.4. Characteristics of seasonal ponding or inundation:*This is the area of ponding that fluctuates every year. Do not count the area that is permanently ponded.*Area seasonally ponded is $> \frac{1}{2}$ total area of wetland

points = 3

Area seasonally ponded is $\frac{1}{4}$ - $\frac{1}{2}$ total area of wetland

points = 1

Area seasonally ponded is $< \frac{1}{4}$ total area of wetland

points = 0

1

Total for D 1

Add the points in the boxes above

5

Rating of Site Potential If score is: 12-16 = H 6-11 = M ☒ 0-5 = L

Record the rating on the first page

D 2.0. Does the landscape have the potential to support the water quality function of the site?**D 2.1. Does the wetland receive stormwater discharges?**

Yes = 1 No = 0

0

D 2.2. Is $> 10\%$ of the area within 150 ft of the wetland in land uses that generate pollutants?

Yes = 1 No = 0

1

D 2.3. Are there septic systems within 250 ft of the wetland?

Yes = 1 No = 0

0

D 2.4. Are there other sources of pollutants coming into the wetland that are not listed in questions

D 2.1- D 2.3? Source

Yes = 1 No = 0

0

Total for D 2

Add the points in the boxes above

1

Rating of Landscape Potential If score is: 3 or 4 = H ☒ 1 or 2 = M 0 = L

Record the rating on the first page

D 3.0. Is the water quality improvement provided by the site valuable to society?**D 3.1. Does the wetland discharge directly (i.e., within 1 mi) to a stream, river, or lake that is on the 303(d) list?**

Yes = 1 No = 0

0

D 3.2. Is the wetland in a basin or sub-basin where water quality is an issue in some aquatic resource [303(d) list eutrophic lakes, problems with nuisance and toxic algae]?

Yes = 1 No = 0

0

D 3.3. Has the site been identified in a watershed or local plan as important for maintaining water quality (answer YES if there is a TMDL for the drainage or basin in which the wetland is found)?

Yes = 2 No = 0

2

Total for D 3

Add the points in the boxes above

2

Rating of Value If score is: ☒ 2-4 = H 1 = M 0 = L

Record the rating on the first page


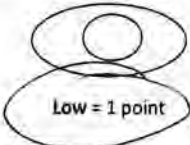



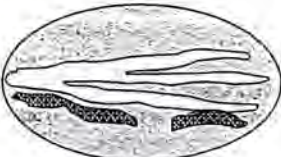
Wetland name or number C

DEPRESSIONAL WETLANDS		Points (only 1 score per box)
Hydrologic Functions - Indicators that the site functions to reduce flooding and erosion.		
D 4.0. Does the site have the potential to reduce flooding and erosion?		
D 4.1. Characteristics of surface water outflows from the wetland: Wetland has no surface water outlet Wetland has an intermittently flowing outlet Wetland has a highly constricted permanently flowing outlet Wetland has a permanently flowing unconstricted surface outlet (If outlet is a ditch and not permanently flowing treat wetland as "intermittently flowing")	points = 8 points = 4 points = 4 points = 0	4
D 4.2. Depth of storage during wet periods: Estimate the height of ponding above the bottom of the outlet. For wetlands with no outlet, measure from the surface of permanent water or deepest part (if dry). Seasonal ponding: > 3 ft above the lowest point in wetland or the surface of permanent ponding Seasonal ponding: 2 ft - < 3 ft above the lowest point in wetland or the surface of permanent ponding The wetland is a headwater wetland Seasonal ponding: 1 ft - < 2 ft Seasonal ponding: 6 in - < 1 ft Seasonal ponding: < 6 in or wetland has only saturated soils	points = 8 points = 6 points = 4 points = 4 points = 2 points = 0	4
Total for D 4	Add the points in the boxes above	8
Rating of Site Potential If score is: <u>12-16 = H</u> <u>6-11 = M</u> <u>0-5 = L</u> Record the rating on the first page		

D 5.0. Does the landscape have the potential to support the hydrologic functions of the site?		
D 5.1. Does the wetland receive stormwater discharges?	Yes = 1 No = 0	0
D 5.2. Is > 10% of the area within 150 ft of the wetland in a land use that generates runoff?	Yes = 1 No = 0	1
D 5.3. Is more than 25% of the contributing basin of the wetland covered with intensive human land uses?	Yes = 1 No = 0	1
Total for D 5	Add the points in the boxes above	2
Rating of Landscape Potential If score is: <u>3 = H</u> <u>1 or 2 = M</u> <u>0 = L</u> Record the rating on the first page		

D 6.0. Are the hydrologic functions provided by the site valuable to society?		
D 6.1. The wetland is in a landscape that has flooding problems. Choose the description that best matches conditions around the wetland being rated. Do not add points. Choose the highest score if more than one condition is met. The wetland captures surface water that would otherwise flow down-gradient into areas where flooding has damaged human or natural resources (e.g., houses or salmon redds), AND Flooding occurs in sub-basin that is immediately down-gradient of wetland Surface flooding problems are in a sub-basin farther down-gradient The existing or potential outflow from the wetland is so constrained by human or natural conditions that the water stored by the wetland cannot reach areas that flood. Explain why _____ There are no problems with flooding downstream of the wetland		
	points = 2 points = 1 points = 0 points = 0	0
D 6.2. Has the site has been identified as important for flood storage or flood conveyance in a regional flood control plan?	Yes = 2 No = 0	0
Total for D 6	Add the points in the boxes above	0
Rating of Value If score is: <u>2-4 = H</u> <u>1 = M</u> <u>0 = L</u> Record the rating on the first page		

Wetland name or number C

These questions apply to wetlands of all HGM classes.		(only 1 score per box)
HABITAT FUNCTIONS - Indicators that site functions to provide important habitat		
H 1.0. Does the wetland have the potential to provide habitat for many species?		
H 1.1. Structure of the plant community: Check the Cowardin vegetation classes present and categories of emergent plants. Size threshold for each category is $\geq \frac{1}{4}$ ac or $\geq 10\%$ of the wetland if wetland is < 2.5 ac. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Aquatic bed <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Emergent plants 0-12 in (0-30 cm) high are the highest layer and have $> 30\%$ cover <input type="checkbox"/> Emergent plants >12-40 in (>30-100 cm) high are the highest layer with $> 30\%$ cover <input type="checkbox"/> Emergent plants > 40 in (> 100 cm) high are the highest layer with $> 30\%$ cover <input type="checkbox"/> Scrub-shrub (areas where shrubs have $> 30\%$ cover) <input type="checkbox"/> Forested (areas where trees have $> 30\%$ cover) 4 or more checks: points = 3 3 checks: points = 2 2 checks: points = 1 1 check: points = 0		1
H 1.2. Is one of the vegetation types Aquatic Bed?		Yes = 1 (No = 0)
H 1.3. Surface water		
H 1.3.1. Does the wetland have areas of open water (without emergent or shrub plants) over at least $\frac{1}{4}$ ac OR 10% of its area during the March to early June OR in August to the end of September? Answer YES for Lake Fringe wetlands. Yes = 3 points & go to H 1.4 No = go to H 1.3.2 H 1.3.2. Does the wetland have an intermittent or permanent, and unvegetated stream within its boundaries, or along one side, over at least $\frac{1}{4}$ ac or 10% of its area? Answer yes only if H 1.3.1 is No. Yes = 3 No = 0		3
H 1.4. Richness of plant species Count the number of plant species in the wetland that cover at least 10 ft^2 . Different patches of the same species can be combined to meet the size threshold. You do not have to name the species. Do not include Eurasian milfoil, reed canarygrass, purple loosestrife, Russian olive, Phragmites, Canadian thistle, yellow-flag iris, and saltcedar (Tamarisk) # of species <u>2</u> Scoring: > 9 species: points = 2 4-9 species: points = 1 < 4 species: points = 0		0
H 1.5. Interspersion of habitats Decide from the diagrams below whether interspersions among types of plant structures (described in H 1.1), and unvegetated areas (open water or mudflats) is high, moderate, low, or none. Use map of Cowardin and emergent plant classes prepared for questions H 1.1 and map of open water from H 1.3. If you have four or more plant classes or three classes and open water, the rating is always high.		Figure
 None = 0 points  Low = 1 point  Moderate = 2 points All three diagrams in this row are High = 3 points    Riparian braided channels with 2 classes		1

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C

H 1.6. Special habitat features

Check the habitat features that are present in the wetland. The number of checks is the number of points.

- ☐ Loose rocks larger than 4 in OR large, downed, woody debris (> 4 in diameter) within the area of surface ponding or in stream.
- ☐ Cattails or bulrushes are present within the wetland.
- ☐ Standing snags (diameter at the bottom > 4 in) in the wetland or within 30 m (100 ft) of the edge.
- ☐ Emergent or shrub vegetation in areas that are permanently inundated/ponded.
- ☐ Stable steep banks of fine material that might be used by beaver or muskrat for denning (> 45 degree slope) OR signs of recent beaver activity
- ☐ Invasive species cover less than 20% in each stratum of vegetation (canopy, sub-canopy, shrubs, herbaceous, moss/ground cover)

0

Total for H 1

Add the points in the boxes above

5

Rating of Site Potential If score is: 15-18 = H 7-14 = M 0-6 = L Record the rating on the first page

H 2.0. Does the landscape have the potential to support habitat functions of the site?

H 2.1. Accessible habitat (only area of habitat abutting wetland). If total accessible habitat is:

- Calculate: % undisturbed habitat ____ + [(% moderate and low intensity land uses)/2] ____ = ____ %
- > 1/3 (33.3%) of 1 km Polygon points = 3
- 20-33% of 1 km Polygon points = 2
- 10-19% of 1 km Polygon points = 1
- < 10% of 1 km Polygon points = 0

1

H 2.2. Undisturbed habitat in 1 km Polygon around wetland.

- Calculate: % undisturbed habitat ____ + [(% moderate and low intensity land uses)/2] ____ = ____ %
- Undisturbed habitat > 50% of Polygon points = 3
- Undisturbed habitat 10 - 50% and in 1-3 patches points = 2
- Undisturbed habitat 10 - 50% and > 3 patches points = 1
- Undisturbed habitat < 10% of Polygon points = 0

0

H 2.3. Land use intensity in 1 km Polygon:

- > 50% of Polygon is high intensity land use points = (-2)
- Does not meet criterion above points = 0

-2

H 2.4. The wetland is in an area where annual rainfall is less than 12 in, and its water regime is not influenced by irrigation practices, dams, or water control structures. Generally, this means outside boundaries of reclamation areas, irrigation districts, or reservoirs

Yes = 3 No = 0

0

Total for H 2

Add the points in the boxes above

-1

Rating of Landscape Potential If score is: 4-9 = H 1-3 = M 0-1 = L Record the rating on the first page

H 3.0. Is the habitat provided by the site valuable to society?

H 3.1. Does the site provide habitat for species valued in laws, regulations, or policies? Choose the highest score that applies to the wetland being rated

Site meets ANY of the following criteria:

points = 2

- ☐ It has 3 or more priority habitats within 100 m (see Appendix B)
- ☐ It provides habitat for Threatened or Endangered species (any plant or animal on state or federal lists)
- ☐ It is mapped as a location for an individual WDFW species
- ☐ It is a Wetland of High Conservation Value as determined by the Department of Natural Resources
- ☐ It has been categorized as an important habitat site in a local or regional comprehensive plan, in a Shoreline Master Plan, or in a watershed plan

Site has 1 or 2 priority habitats within 100 m (see Appendix B)

points = 1

Site does not meet any of the criteria above

points = 0

0

Rating of Value If score is: 2 = H 1 = M 0 = L Record the rating on the first page

Wetland name or number _____

CATEGORIZATION BASED ON SPECIAL CHARACTERISTICS

Please determine if the wetland meets the attributes described below and circle the appropriate category. NOTE: A wetland may meet the criteria for more than one set of special characteristics. Record all those that apply. NOTE: All wetlands should also be characterized based on their functions.

Wetland Type	Category
<i>Check off any criteria that apply to the wetland. Circle the category when the appropriate criteria are met.</i>	
SC 1.0. Vernal pools Is the wetland less than 4000 ft² , and does it meet at least two of the following criteria? — Its only source of water is rainfall or snowmelt from a small contributing basin and has no groundwater input. — Wetland plants are typically present only in the spring; the summer vegetation is typically upland annuals. <i>If you find perennial, obligate, wetland plants, the wetland is probably NOT a vernal pool.</i> — The soil in the wetland is shallow (< 1 ft (30 cm) deep) and is underlain by an impermeable layer such as basalt or clay. — Surface water is present for less than 120 days during the wet season. <div style="text-align: right;">Yes – Go to SC 1.1 No = Not a vernal pool</div>	
SC 1.1. Is the vernal pool relatively undisturbed in February and March? <div style="text-align: right;">Yes – Go to SC 1.2 No = Not a vernal pool with special characteristics</div>	
SC 1.2. Is the vernal pool in an area where there are at least 3 separate aquatic resources within 0.5 mi (other wetlands, rivers, lakes etc.)? <div style="text-align: right;">Yes = Category II No = Category III</div>	Cat. II Cat. III
SC 2.0. Alkali wetlands Does the wetland meet one of the following criteria? — The wetland has a conductivity > 3.0 mS/cm. — The wetland has a conductivity between 2.0 and 3.0 mS, and more than 50% of the plant cover in the wetland can be classified as "alkali" species (see Table 4 for list of plants found in alkali systems). — If the wetland is dry at the time of your field visit, the central part of the area is covered with a layer of salt. OR does the wetland unit meet two of the following three sub-criteria? — Salt encrustations around more than 75% of the edge of the wetland — More than ¼ of the plant cover consists of species listed on Table 4 — A pH above 9.0. All alkali wetlands have a high pH, but please note that some freshwater wetlands may also have a high pH. Thus, pH alone is not a good indicator of alkali wetlands. <div style="text-align: right;">Yes = Category I No = Not an alkali wetland</div>	Cat. I
SC 3.0. Wetlands of High Conservation Value (WHCV) SC 3.1. Has the WA Department of Natural Resources updated their website to include the list of Wetlands of High Conservation Value? <div style="text-align: right;">Yes – Go to SC 3.2 No – Go to SC 3.3</div> SC 3.2. Is the wetland listed on the WDNR database as a Wetland of High Conservation Value? <div style="text-align: right;">Yes = Category I No = Not a WHCV</div> SC 3.3. Is the wetland in a Section/Township/Range that contains a Natural Heritage wetland? http://www1.dnr.wa.gov/nhp/refdesk/datasetsearch/wnhpwetlands.pdf <div style="text-align: right;">Yes – Contact WNHP/WDNR and go to SC 3.4 No = Not a WHCV</div> SC 3.4. Has WDNR identified the wetland within the S/T/R as a Wetland of High Conservation Value and it is listed on their website? <div style="text-align: right;">Yes = Category I No = Not a WHCV</div>	Cat. I

<p>SC 4.0 Bogs and Calcareous Fens Does the wetland (or any part of the wetland unit) meet both the criteria for soils and vegetation in bogs or calcareous fens? <i>Use the key below to identify if the wetland is a bog or calcareous fen. If you answer yes you will still need to rate the wetland based on its functions.</i></p> <p>SC 4.1. Does an area within the wetland have organic soil horizons (i.e., layers of organic soil), either peats or mucks, that compose 16 in or more of the first 32 in of the soil profile? <i>See Appendix C for a field key to identify organic soils.</i> Yes – Go to SC 4.3 No – Go to SC 4.2</p> <p>SC 4.2. Does an area within the wetland have organic soils, either peats or mucks, that are less than 16 in deep over bedrock or an impermeable hardpan such as clay or volcanic ash, or that are floating on top of a lake or pond? Yes – Go to SC 4.3 No – Is not a bog for rating</p> <p>SC 4.3. Does an area within the wetland have more than 70% cover of mosses at ground level AND at least 30% of the total plant cover consists of species in Table 5? Yes = Category I bog No – Go to SC 4.4 NOTE: If you are uncertain about the extent of mosses in the understory, you may substitute that criterion by measuring the pH of the water that seeps into a hole dug at least 16 in deep. If the pH is less than 5.0 and the plant species in Table 5 are present, the wetland is a bog.</p> <p>SC 4.4. Is an area with peats or mucks forested (> 30% cover) with subalpine fir, western red cedar, western hemlock, lodgepole pine, quaking aspen, Engelmann spruce, or western white pine, AND any of the species (or combination of species) listed in Table 5 provide more than 30% of the cover under the canopy? Yes = Category I bog No – Go to SC 4.5</p> <p>SC 4.5. Do the species listed in Table 6 comprise at least 20% of the total plant cover within an area of peats and mucks? Yes = Is a Calcareous Fen for purpose of rating No – Go to SC 4.6</p> <p>SC 4.6. Do the species listed in Table 6 comprise at least 10% of the total plant cover in an area of peats and mucks, AND one of the two following conditions is met: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Marl deposits [calcium carbonate (CaCO_3) precipitate] occur on the soil surface or plant stems The pH of free water is ≥ 6.8 AND electrical conductivity is ≥ 200 $\mu\text{S}/\text{cm}$ at multiple locations within the wetland Yes = Is a Category I calcareous fen No = Is not a calcareous fen </p>	<p>Cat. I</p> <p>Cat. I</p>
<p>SC 5.0. Forested Wetlands Does the wetland have an area of forest rooted within its boundary that meets at least one of the following three criteria? <i>(Continue only if you have identified that a forested class is present in question H 1.1)</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The wetland is within the 100 year floodplain of a river or stream Aspen (<i>Populus tremuloides</i>) represents at least 20% of the total cover of woody species There is at least $\frac{1}{4}$ ac of trees (even in wetlands smaller than 2.5 ac) that are "mature" or "old-growth" according to the definitions for these priority habitats developed by WDFW <i>(see definitions in question H3.1)</i> <p>Yes – Go to SC 5.1 No – Not a forested wetland with special characteristics</p> <p>SC 5.1. Does the wetland have a forest canopy where more than 50% of the tree species (by cover) are slow growing native trees <i>(see Table 7)</i>? Yes = Category I No – Go to SC 5.2</p> <p>SC 5.2. Does the wetland have areas where aspen (<i>Populus tremuloides</i>) represents at least 20% of the total cover of woody species? Yes = Category I No – Go to SC 5.3</p> <p>SC 5.3. Does the wetland have at least $\frac{1}{4}$ acre with a forest canopy where more than 50% of the tree species (by cover) are fast growing species <i>(see Table 7)</i>? Yes = Category II No – Go to SC 5.4</p> <p>SC 5.4. Is the forested component of the wetland within the 100 year floodplain of a river or stream? Yes = Category II No – Not a forested wetland with special characteristics</p>	<p>Cat. I</p> <p>Cat. I</p> <p>Cat. II</p> <p>Cat. II</p>
<p>Category of wetland based on Special Characteristics Choose the highest rating if wetland falls into several categories If you answered No for all types, enter "Not Applicable" on Summary Form</p>	

Appendix B: WDFW Priority Habitats in Eastern Washington

Priority habitats listed by WDFW (see complete descriptions of WDFW priority habitats, and the counties in which they can be found, in: Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife. 2008. Priority Habitat and Species List. Olympia, Washington. 177 pp. <http://wdfw.wa.gov/publications/00165/wdfw00165.pdf> or access the list from here: <http://wdfw.wa.gov/conservation/phs/list/>)

Count how many of the following priority habitats are within 330 ft (100 m) of the wetland: **NOTE:** This question is independent of the land use between the wetland and the priority habitat.

- **Aspen Stands:** Pure or mixed stands of aspen greater than 1 ac (0.4 ha).
- **Biodiversity Areas and Corridors:** Areas of habitat that are relatively important to various species of native fish and wildlife (full descriptions in WDFW PHS report).
- **Old-growth/Mature forests:** Old-growth east of Cascade crest – Stands are highly variable in tree species composition and structural characteristics due to the influence of fire, climate, and soils. In general, stands will be >150 years of age, with 10 trees/ac (25 trees/ha) that are > 21 in (53 cm) dbh, and 1-3 snags/ac (2.5-7.5 snags/ha) that are > 12-14 in (30-35 cm) diameter. Downed logs may vary from abundant to absent. Canopies may be single or multi-layered. Evidence of human-caused alterations to the stand will be absent or so slight as to not affect the ecosystem's essential structures and functions. Mature forests – Stands with average diameters exceeding 21 in (53 cm) dbh; crown cover may be less than 100%; decay, decadence, numbers of snags, and quantity of large downed material is generally less than that found in old-growth; 80-200 years old west and 80-160 years old east of the Cascade crest.
- **Oregon White Oak:** Woodland stands of pure oak or oak/conifer associations where canopy coverage of the oak component is important (full descriptions in WDFW PHS report p. 158 – see web link above).
- **Riparian:** The area adjacent to aquatic systems with flowing water that contains elements of both aquatic and terrestrial ecosystems which mutually influence each other.
- **Instream:** The combination of physical, biological, and chemical processes and conditions that interact to provide functional life history requirements for instream fish and wildlife resources.
- **Caves:** A naturally occurring cavity, recess, void, or system of interconnected passages under the earth in soils, rock, ice, or other geological formations and is large enough to contain a human.
- **Cliffs:** Greater than 25 ft (7.6 m) high and occurring below 5000 ft elevation.
- **Talus:** Homogenous areas of rock rubble ranging in average size 0.5 - 6.5 ft (0.15 - 2.0 m), composed of basalt, andesite, and/or sedimentary rock, including riprap slides and mine tailings. May be associated with cliffs.
- **Snags and Logs:** Trees are considered snags if they are dead or dying and exhibit sufficient decay characteristics to enable cavity excavation/use by wildlife. Priority snags have a diameter at breast height of > 12 in (30 cm) in eastern Washington and are > 6.5 ft (2 m) in height. Priority logs are > 12 in (30 cm) in diameter at the largest end, and > 20 ft (6 m) long.
- **Shrub-steppe:** A nonforested vegetation type consisting of one or more layers of perennial bunchgrasses and a conspicuous but discontinuous layer of shrubs (see Eastside Steppe for sites with little or no shrub cover).
- **Eastside Steppe:** Nonforested vegetation type dominated by broadleaf herbaceous flora (i.e., forbs), perennial bunchgrasses, or a combination of both. Bluebunch wheatgrass (*Pseudoroegneria spicata*) is often the prevailing cover component along with Idaho fescue (*Festuca idahoensis*), Sandberg bluegrass (*Poa secunda*), rough fescue (*F. campestris*), or needlegrasses (*Achnatherum* spp.).
- **Juniper Savannah:** All juniper woodlands.

Note: All vegetated wetlands are by definition a priority habitat but are not included in this list because they are addressed elsewhere.

Wetland Rating System for Eastern WA: 2014 Update

Effective January 1, 2015

Appendix B

Wetland name or number D

RATING SUMMARY – Eastern Washington

Name of wetland (or ID #): Wetland D Date of site visit: 4/30/20

Rated by Rachel Tooke Trained by Ecology? ☐ Yes ☒ No Date of training

HGM Class used for rating Slope Wetland has multiple HGM classes? Y ☒ N

NOTE: Form is not complete without the figures requested (*figures can be combined*).

Source of base aerial photo/map _____

OVERALL WETLAND CATEGORY _____ (based on functions____ or special characteristics____)

1. Category of wetland based on FUNCTIONS

Category I – Total score = 22-27

Category II – Total score = 19-21

Category III – Total score = 16-18

✓ **Category IV – Total score = 9-15**

Score for each function based on three ratings (order of ratings is not important)

9 = H.H.H

8 = H,H,M

7 = H,H,L

7 = H.M.M

6 = H, M, L

6 = M,M,M

5 = H, L, L

$S = M, M, L$

4 = M, L, L

3 = L,L,L

FUNCTION	Improving Water Quality		Hydrologic		Habitat		
Circle the appropriate ratings							
Site Potential	H	M	L	H	M	L	
Landscape Potential	H	M	L	H	M	L	
Value	H	M	L	H	M	L	TOTAL
Score Based on Ratings	7		5		3		15

2. Category based on SPECIAL CHARACTERISTICS of wetland

CHARACTERISTIC	CATEGORY <i>Circle the appropriate category</i>	
	II	III
Vernal Pools		
Alkali		I
Wetland of High Conservation Value		I
Bog and Calcareous Fens		I
Old Growth or Mature Forest – slow growing		I
Aspen Forest		I
Old Growth or Mature Forest – fast growing		II
Floodplain forest		II
None of the above		✓

Wetland name or number D

Maps and figures required to answer questions correctly for Eastern Washington Depressional Wetlands

Map of:	To answer questions:	Figure #
Cowardin plant classes and classes of emergents	D 1.3, H 1.1, H 1.5	
Hydroperiods (including area of open water for H 1.3)	D 1.4, H 1.2, H 1.3	
Location of outlet (<i>can be added to map of hydroperiods</i>)	D 1.1, D 4.1	
Boundary of area within 150 ft of the wetland (<i>can be added to another figure</i>)	D 2.2, D 5.2	
Map of the contributing basin	D 5.3	
1 km Polygon: Area that extends 1 km from entire wetland edge - including polygons for accessible habitat and undisturbed habitat	H 2.1, H 2.2, H 2.3	
Screen capture of map of 303(d) listed waters in basin (from Ecology website)	D 3.1, D 3.2	
Screen capture of list of TMDLs for WRIA in which wetland is found (website)	D 3.3	

Riverine Wetlands

Map of:	To answer questions:	Figure #
Cowardin plant classes and classes of emergents	H 1.1, H 1.5	
Hydroperiods	H 1.2, H 1.3	
Ponded depressions	R 1.1	
Boundary of area within 150 ft of the wetland (<i>can be added to another figure</i>)	R 2.4	
Map of the contributing basin	R 2.2, R 2.3, R 5.2	
Plant cover of trees, shrubs, and herbaceous plants	R 1.2, R 4.2	
Width of wetland vs. width of stream (<i>can be added to another figure</i>)	R 4.1	
1 km Polygon: Area that extends 1 km from entire wetland edge - including polygons for accessible habitat and undisturbed habitat	H 2.1, H 2.2, H 2.3	
Screen capture of map of 303(d) listed waters in basin (from Ecology website)	R 3.1	
Screen capture of list of TMDLs for WRIA in which wetland is found (website)	R 3.2, R 3.3	

Lake Fringe Wetlands

Map of:	To answer questions:	Figure #
Cowardin plant classes and classes of emergents	L 1.1, L 4.1, H 1.1, H 1.5	
Plant cover of trees, shrubs, and herbaceous plants	L 1.2	
Boundary of area within 150 ft of the wetland (<i>can be added to another figure</i>)	L 2.2	
1 km Polygon: Area that extends 1 km from entire wetland edge - including polygons for accessible habitat and undisturbed habitat	H 2.1, H 2.2, H 2.3	
Screen capture of map of 303(d) listed waters in basin (from Ecology website)	L 3.1, L 3.2	
Screen capture of list of TMDLs for WRIA in which wetland is found (website)	L 3.3	

Slope Wetlands

Map of:	To answer questions:	Figure #
Cowardin plant classes and classes of emergents	H 1.1, H 1.5	
Hydroperiods	H 1.2, H 1.3	
Plant cover of dense trees, shrubs, and herbaceous plants	S 1.3	
Plant cover of dense, rigid trees, shrubs, and herbaceous plants (<i>can be added to figure above</i>)	S 4.1	
Boundary of area within 150 ft of the wetland (<i>can be added to another figure</i>)	S 2.1, S 5.1	
1 km Polygon: Area that extends 1 km from entire wetland edge - including polygons for accessible habitat and undisturbed habitat	H 2.1, H 2.2, H 2.3	
Screen capture of map of 303(d) listed waters in basin (from Ecology website)	S 3.1, S 3.2	
Screen capture of list of TMDLs for WRIA in which wetland is found (website)	S 3.3	

HGM Classification of Wetland in Eastern Washington

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If the hydrologic criteria listed in each question do not apply to the entire unit being rated, you probably have a unit with multiple HGM classes. In this case, identify which hydrologic criteria in questions 1-4 apply, and go to Question 5.

1. Does the entire unit **meet both** of the following criteria?

- ☐ The vegetated part of the wetland is on the water side of the Ordinary High Water Mark of a body of permanent open water (without any plants on the surface) that is at least 20 ac (8 ha) in size
☐ At least 30% of the open water area is deeper than 10 ft (3 m)

NO - go to 2

YES - The wetland class is **Lake Fringe** (Lacustrine Fringe)

2. Does the entire wetland unit **meet all** of the following criteria?

- ☒ The wetland is on a slope (*slope can be very gradual*).
☒ The water flows through the wetland in one direction (unidirectional) and usually comes from seeps. It may flow subsurface, as sheetflow, or in a swale without distinct banks;
☒ The water leaves the wetland **without being impounded**.

NO - go to 3

YES - The wetland class is **Slope**

NOTE: Surface water does not pond in these type of wetlands except occasionally in very small and shallow depressions or behind hummocks (depressions are usually <3 ft diameter and less than 1 foot deep).

3. Does the entire wetland unit **meet all** of the following criteria?

- ☐ The unit is in a valley, or stream channel, where it gets inundated by overbank flooding from that stream or river;
☐ The overbank flooding occurs at least once every 10 years.

NO - go to 4

YES - The wetland class is **Riverine**

NOTE: The Riverine wetland can contain depressions that are filled with water when the river is not flooding.

4. Is the entire wetland unit in a topographic depression in which water ponds, or is saturated to the surface, at some time during the year. *This means that any outlet, if present, is higher than the interior of the wetland.*

NO - go to 5

YES - The wetland class is **Depressional**

5. Your wetland unit seems to be difficult to classify and probably contains several different HGM classes. For example, seeps at the base of a slope may grade into a riverine floodplain, or a small stream within a Depressional wetland has a zone of flooding along its sides. **GO BACK AND IDENTIFY WHICH OF THE HYDROLOGIC REGIMES DESCRIBED IN QUESTIONS 1-4 APPLY TO DIFFERENT AREAS IN THE WETLAND UNIT** (make a rough sketch to help you decide). Use the following table to identify the appropriate class to use for the rating system if you have several HGM classes present within the wetland unit being scored.

Wetland name or number D

NOTE: Use this table only if the class that is recommended in the second column represents 10% or more of the total area of the wetland unit being rated. If the area of the HGM class listed in column 2 is less than 10% of the wetland unit; classify the wetland using the class that represents more than 90% of the total area.

HGM classes within the wetland unit being rated	HGM Class to use in rating
Slope + Riverine	Riverine
Slope + Depressional	Depressional
Slope + Lake Fringe	Lake Fringe
Depressional + Riverine (the riverine portion is within the boundary of depression)	Depressional
Depressional + Lake Fringe	Depressional
Riverine + Lake Fringe	Riverine

*If you are still unable to determine which of the above criteria apply to your wetland, or if you have **more than 2 HGM classes** within a wetland boundary, classify the wetland as Depressional for the rating.*

Wetland name or number D**SLOPE WETLANDS****Water Quality Functions** - Indicators that the site functions to improve water qualityPoints
(only 1
score per
box)**S 1.0. Does the site have the potential to improve water quality?****S 1.1. Characteristics of average slope of wetland: (a 1% slope has a 1 ft vertical drop in elevation for every 100 ft of horizontal distance)**

Slope is 1% or less

points = 3

Slope is > 1% - 2%

points = 2

Slope is > 2% - 5%

points = 1

Slope is greater than 5%

points = 0

1

S 1.2. The soil 2 in below the surface (or duff layer) is true clay or tureorganic (use NRCS definitions): Yes = 3 No = 0

0

S 1.3. Characteristics of the plants in the wetland that trap sediments and pollutants:Choose the points appropriate for the description that best fits the plants in the wetland. *Dense means you have trouble seeing the soil surface (>75% cover), and uncut means not grazed or mowed and plants are higher than 6 in.*

Dense, uncut, herbaceous plants > 90% of the wetland area

points = 6

Dense, uncut, herbaceous plants > 1/2 of area

points = 3

Dense, woody, plants > 1/2 of area

points = 2

Dense, uncut, herbaceous plants > 1/4 of area

points = 1

Does not meet any of the criteria above for plants

points = 0

6

Total for S 1

Add the points in the boxes above

7

Rating of Site Potential If score is: 12 = H 6-11 = M 0-5 = L

Record the rating on the first page

S 2.0. Does the landscape have the potential to support the water quality function at the site?**S 2.1. Is > 10% of the area within 150 ft on the uphill side of the wetland in land uses that generate pollutants?**

Yes = 1 No = 0

1

S 2.2. Are there other sources of pollutants coming into the wetland that are not listed in question S 2.1?

Other sources

Yes = 1 No = 0

0

Total for S 2

Add the points in the boxes above

1

Rating of Landscape Potential If score is: 1-2 = M 0 = L

Record the rating on the first page

S 3.0. Is the water quality improvement provided by the site valuable to society?**S 3.1. Does the wetland discharge directly to a stream, river, or lake that is on the 303(d) list (within 1 mi)?**

Yes = 1 No = 0

0

S 3.2. Is the wetland in a basin or sub-basin where water quality is an issue? At least one aquatic resource in the basin is on the 303(d) list.

Yes = 1 No = 0

0

S 3.3. Has the site been identified in a watershed or local plan as important for maintaining water quality (answer YES if there is a TMDL for the drainage or basin in which wetland is found)?

Yes = 2 No = 0

2

Total for S 3

Add the points in the boxes above

2

Rating of Value If score is: 2-4 = H 1 = M 0 = L







Record the rating on the first page

Wetland name or number 0

SLOPE WETLANDS		Points (only 1 score per box)
Hydrologic Functions - Indicators that the site functions to reduce flooding and erosion		
S 4.0. Does the site have the potential to reduce flooding and erosion?		
S 4.1. Characteristics of plants that reduce the velocity of surface flows during storms: Choose the points appropriate for the description that best fits conditions in the wetland. <i>Stems of plants should be thick enough (usually > 1/8 in), or dense enough, to remain erect during surface flows.</i> Dense, uncut, rigid plants cover > 90% of the area of the wetland All other conditions		points = 1 points = 0
Rating of Site Potential If score is: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1 = M <input type="checkbox"/> 0 = L		Record the rating on the first page
S 5.0. Does the landscape have the potential to support the hydrologic functions of the site?		
S 5.1. Is more than 25% of the area within 150 ft upslope of wetland in land uses that generate excess surface runoff?		Yes = 1 No = 0
Rating of Landscape Potential If score is: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1 = M <input type="checkbox"/> 0 = L		Record the rating on the first page
S 6.0. Are the hydrologic functions provided by the site valuable to society?		
S 6.1. Distance to the nearest areas downstream that have flooding problems: The sub-basin immediately down-gradient of site has surface flooding problems that result in damage to human or natural resources (e.g., houses or salmon redds) Surface flooding problems are in a sub-basin farther down-gradient No flooding problems anywhere downstream		points = 2 points = 1 points = 0
S 6.2. Has the site been identified as important for flood storage and flood conveyance in a regional flood control plan?		Yes = 2 No = 0
Total for S 6		Add the points in the boxes above
Rating of Value If score is: <input type="checkbox"/> 2-4 = H <input type="checkbox"/> 1 = M <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 0 = L		Record the rating on the first page

NOTES and FIELD OBSERVATIONS:

Wetland name or number D

These questions apply to wetlands of all HGM classes.		(only 1 score per box)
HABITAT FUNCTIONS Indicators that site functions to provide important habitat		
H 1.0. Does the wetland have the potential to provide habitat for many species?		
H 1.1. Structure of the plant community: Check the Cowardin vegetation classes present and categories of emergent plants. Size threshold for each category is $\geq \frac{1}{4}$ ac or $\geq 10\%$ of the wetland if wetland is < 2.5 ac. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Aquatic bed <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Emergent plants 0-12 in (0-30 cm) high are the highest layer and have $> 30\%$ cover <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Emergent plants >12-40 in (>30-100 cm) high are the highest layer with $> 30\%$ cover <input type="checkbox"/> Emergent plants > 40 in (> 100 cm) high are the highest layer with $> 30\%$ cover <input type="checkbox"/> Scrub-shrub (areas where shrubs have $> 30\%$ cover) <input type="checkbox"/> Forested (areas where trees have $> 30\%$ cover)		4 or more checks: points = 3 3 checks: points = 2 2 checks: points = 1 1 check: points = 0 1
H 1.2. Is one of the vegetation types Aquatic Bed?		Yes = 1 No = 0 0
H 1.3. Surface water H 1.3.1. Does the wetland have areas of open water (without emergent or shrub plants) over at least $\frac{1}{4}$ ac OR 10% of its area during the March to early June OR in August to the end of September? Answer YES for Lake Fringe wetlands. Yes = 3 points & go to H 1.4 No = go to H 1.3.2 H 1.3.2. Does the wetland have an intermittent or permanent, and unvegetated stream within its boundaries, or along one side, over at least $\frac{1}{4}$ ac or 10% of its area? Answer yes only if H 1.3.1 is No. Yes = 3 No = 0		3
H 1.4. Richness of plant species Count the number of plant species in the wetland that cover at least 10 ft^2 . Different patches of the same species can be combined to meet the size threshold. You do not have to name the species. Do not include Eurasian milfoil, reed canarygrass, purple loosestrife, Russian olive, Phragmites, Canadian thistle, yellow-flag iris, and saltcedar (Tamarisk) # of species <u>5</u>		Scoring: > 9 species: points = 2 4-9 species: points = 1 < 4 species: points = 0 1
H 1.5. Interspersion of habitats Decide from the diagrams below whether interspersions among types of plant structures (described in H 1.1), and unvegetated areas (open water or mudflats) is high, moderate, low, or none. Use map of Cowardin and emergent plant classes prepared for questions H 1.1 and map of open water from H 1.3. If you have four or more plant classes or three classes and open water, the rating is always high.		Figure
 None = 0 points		 Low = 1 point
 Moderate = 2 points		
All three diagrams in this row are High = 3 points		
   Riparian braided channels with 2 classes		

Wetland name or number: D

H 1.6. Special habitat features Check the habitat features that are present in the wetland. The number of checks is the number of points. <input type="checkbox"/> Loose rocks larger than 4 in OR large, downed, woody debris (> 4 in diameter) within the area of surface ponding or in stream. <input type="checkbox"/> Cattails or bulrushes are present within the wetland. <input type="checkbox"/> Standing snags (diameter at the bottom > 4 in) in the wetland or within 30 m (100 ft) of the edge. <input type="checkbox"/> Emergent or shrub vegetation in areas that are permanently inundated/ponded. <input type="checkbox"/> Stable steep banks of fine material that might be used by beaver or muskrat for denning (> 45 degree slope) OR signs of recent beaver activity <input type="checkbox"/> Invasive species cover less than 20% in each stratum of vegetation (canopy, sub-canopy, shrubs, herbaceous, moss/ground cover)		0
Total for H 1	Add the points in the boxes above	6

Rating of Site Potential If score is: 15-18 = H 7-14 = M ✓ 0-6 = L Record the rating on the first page

H 2.0. Does the landscape have the potential to support habitat functions of the site?		
H 2.1. Accessible habitat (only area of habitat abutting wetland). If total accessible habitat is: Calculate: % undisturbed habitat ____ + [(% moderate and low intensity land uses)/2] ____ = ____ % > 2/3 (33.3%) of 1 km Polygon points = 3 20-33% of 1km Polygon points = 2 10-19% of 1km Polygon points = 1 <10% of 1km Polygon points = 0		1
H 2.2. Undisturbed habitat in 1 km Polygon around wetland. Calculate: % undisturbed habitat ____ + [(% moderate and low intensity land uses)/2] ____ = ____ % Undisturbed habitat > 50% of Polygon points = 3 Undisturbed habitat 10 - 50% and in 1-3 patches points = 2 Undisturbed habitat 10 - 50% and > 3 patches points = 1 Undisturbed habitat < 10% of Polygon points = 0		0
H 2.3. Land use intensity in 1 km Polygon: > 50% of Polygon is high intensity land use points = (-2) Does not meet criterion above points = 0		-2
H 2.4. The wetland is in an area where annual rainfall is less than 12 in, and its water regime is not influenced by irrigation practices, dams, or water control structures. Generally, this means outside boundaries of reclamation areas, irrigation districts, or reservoirs Yes = 3 No = 0		0
Total for H 2	Add the points in the boxes above	-1

Rating of Landscape Potential If score is: 4-9 = H 1-3 = M ✓ < 1 = L Record the rating on the first page

H 3.0. Is the habitat provided by the site valuable to society?		
H 3.1. Does the site provide habitat for species valued in laws, regulations, or policies? Choose the highest score that applies to the wetland being rated Site meets ANY of the following criteria: points = 2 <input type="checkbox"/> It has 3 or more priority habitats within 100 m (see Appendix B) <input type="checkbox"/> It provides habitat for Threatened or Endangered species (any plant or animal on state or federal lists) <input type="checkbox"/> It is mapped as a location for an individual WDFW species <input type="checkbox"/> It is a Wetland of High Conservation Value as determined by the Department of Natural Resources <input type="checkbox"/> It has been categorized as an important habitat site in a local or regional comprehensive plan, in a Shoreline Master Plan, or in a watershed plan Site has 1 or 2 priority habitats within 100 m (see Appendix B) points = 1 Site does not meet any of the criteria above points = 0		0

Rating of Value If score is: 2 = H 1 = M ✓ 0 = L Record the rating on the first page

Appendix B: WDFW Priority Habitats in Eastern Washington

Priority habitats listed by WDFW (see complete descriptions of WDFW priority habitats, and the counties in which they can be found, in: Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife 2008, Priority Habitat and Species List Olympia, Washington 177 pp. <http://wdfw.wa.gov/publications/00165/wdfw00165.pdf> or access the list from here. <http://wdfw.wa.gov/conservation/pubs/life/>)

Count how many of the following priority habitats are within 330 ft (100 m) of the wetland: **NOTE:** This question is independent of the land use between the wetland and the priority habitat.

- **Aspen Stands:** Pure or mixed stands of aspen greater than 1 ac (0.4 ha).
- **Biodiversity Areas and Corridors:** Areas of habitat that are relatively important to various species of native fish and wildlife (full descriptions in WDFW PHS report).
- **Old-growth/Mature forests:** Old-growth east of Cascade crest – Stands are highly variable in tree species composition and structural characteristics due to the influence of fire, climate, and soils. In general, stands will be >150 years of age, with 10 trees/ac (25 trees/ha) that are > 21 in (53 cm) dbh, and 1-3 snags/ac (2.5-7.5 snags/ha) that are > 12-14 in (30-35 cm) diameter. Downed logs may vary from abundant to absent. Canopies may be single or multi-layered. Evidence of human-caused alterations to the stand will be absent or so slight as to not affect the ecosystem's essential structures and functions. Mature forests – Stands with average diameters exceeding 21 in (53 cm) dbh; crown cover may be less than 100%; decay, decadence, numbers of snags, and quantity of large downed material is generally less than that found in old-growth; 80-200 years old west and 80-160 years old east of the Cascade crest.
- **Oregon White Oak:** Woodland stands of pure oak or oak/conifer associations where canopy coverage of the oak component is important (full descriptions in WDFW PHS report p. 158 – see web link above).
- **Riparian:** The area adjacent to aquatic systems with flowing water that contains elements of both aquatic and terrestrial ecosystems which mutually influence each other.
- **Instream:** The combination of physical, biological, and chemical processes and conditions that interact to provide functional life history requirements for instream fish and wildlife resources.
- **Caves:** A naturally occurring cavity, recess, void, or system of interconnected passages under the earth in soils, rock, etc., or other geological formations and is large enough to contain a human.
- **Cliffs:** Greater than 25 ft (7.6 m) high and occurring below 5000 ft elevation.
- **Talus:** Homogenous areas of rock rubble ranging in average size 0.5 - 6.5 ft (0.15 - 2.0 m), composed of basalt, andesite, and/or sedimentary rock, including rmpap slides and mine tailings. May be associated with cliffs.
- **Snags and Logs:** Trees are considered snags if they are dead or dying and exhibit sufficient decay characteristics to enable cavity excavation/use by wildlife. Priority snags have a diameter at breast height of > 12 in (30 cm) in eastern Washington and are > 6.5 ft (2 m) in height. Priority logs are > 12 in (30 cm) in diameter at the largest end, and > 20 ft (6 m) long.
- **Shrub-steppe:** A nonforested vegetation type consisting of one or more layers of perennial bunchgrasses and a conspicuous but discontinuous layer of shrubs (see Eastside Steppe for sites with little or no shrub cover).
- **Eastside Steppe:** Nonforested vegetation type dominated by broadleaf herbaceous flora (i.e., forbs), perennial bunchgrasses, or a combination of both. Bluebunch whealgrass (*Pseudoroegneria spicata*) is often the prevailing cover component along with Idaho fescue (*Festuca idahoensis*), Sandberg bluegrass (*Poa secunda*), rough fescue (*P. campestris*), or needlegrasses (*Achnatherum* spp.).
- **Juniper Savannas:** All juniper woodlands.

Note: All vegetated wetlands are by definition a priority habitat but are not included in this list because they are addressed elsewhere.

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Appendix B

Wetland name or number E

RATING SUMMARY – Eastern Washington

Name of wetland (or ID #): Wetland E Date of site visit: 4/30/20
 Rated by Rachel Locke Trained by Ecology? ☐ Yes ☒ No Date of training _____
 HGM Class used for rating Depositional Wetland has multiple HGM classes? ☒ Y ☒ N

NOTE: Form is not complete without the figures requested (figures can be combined).

Source of base aerial photo/map _____

OVERALL WETLAND CATEGORY ✓ (based on functions _____ or special characteristics _____)

1. Category of wetland based on FUNCTIONS

- ____ Category I – Total score = 22-27
 ____ Category II – Total score = 19-21
 ____ Category III – Total score = 16-18
☒ Category IV – Total score = 9-15

FUNCTION	Improving Water Quality			Hydrologic			Habitat			
Circle the appropriate ratings										
Site Potential	H	M	(L)	(H)	M	L	H	M	(L)	
Landscape Potential	H	(M)	L	H	(M)	L	H	M	(L)	
Value	(H)	M	L	H	M	(L)	H	M	(L)	
Score Based on Ratings	6			6			3			TOTAL 15

Score for each function based on three ratings (order of ratings is not important)

9 = H,H,H
 8 = H,H,M
 7 = H,H,L
 7 = H,M,M
 6 = H,M,L
 6 = M,M,M
 5 = H,L,L
 5 = M,M,L
 4 = M,L,L
 3 = L,L,L

2. Category based on SPECIAL CHARACTERISTICS of wetland

CHARACTERISTIC	CATEGORY Circle the appropriate category	
Vernal Pools	II	III
Alkali	I	
Wetland of High Conservation Value	I	
Bog and Calcareous Fens	I	
Old Growth or Mature Forest – slow growing	I	
Aspen Forest	I	
Old Growth or Mature Forest – fast growing	II	
Floodplain forest	II	
None of the above	✓	

Wetland name or number _____

Maps and figures required to answer questions correctly for Eastern Washington Depressional Wetlands

Map of:	To answer questions:	Figure #
Cowardin plant classes and classes of emergents	D 1.3, H 1.1, H 1.5	
Hydroperiods (including area of open water for H 1.3)	D 1.4, H 1.2, H 1.3	
Location of outlet (<i>can be added to map of hydroperiods</i>)	D 1.1, D 4.1	
Boundary of area within 150 ft of the wetland (<i>can be added to another figure</i>)	D 2.2, D 5.2	
Map of the contributing basin	D 5.3	
1 km Polygon: Area that extends 1 km from entire wetland edge - including polygons for accessible habitat and undisturbed habitat	H 2.1, H 2.2, H 2.3	
Screen capture of map of 303(d) listed waters in basin (from Ecology website)	D 3.1, D 3.2	
Screen capture of list of TMDLs for WRIA in which wetland is found (website)	D 3.3	

Riverine Wetlands

Map of:	To answer questions:	Figure #
Cowardin plant classes and classes of emergents	H 1.1, H 1.5	
Hydroperiods	H 1.2, H 1.3	
Ponded depressions	R 1.1	
Boundary of area within 150 ft of the wetland (<i>can be added to another figure</i>)	R 2.4	
Map of the contributing basin	R 2.2, R 2.3, R 5.2	
Plant cover of trees, shrubs, and herbaceous plants	R 1.2, R 4.2	
Width of wetland vs. width of stream (<i>can be added to another figure</i>)	R 4.1	
1 km Polygon: Area that extends 1 km from entire wetland edge - including polygons for accessible habitat and undisturbed habitat	H 2.1, H 2.2, H 2.3	
Screen capture of map of 303(d) listed waters in basin (from Ecology website)	R 3.1	
Screen capture of list of TMDLs for WRIA in which wetland is found (website)	R 3.2, R 3.3	

Lake Fringe Wetlands

Map of:	To answer questions:	Figure #
Cowardin plant classes and classes of emergents	L 1.1, L 4.1, H 1.1, H 1.5	
Plant cover of trees, shrubs, and herbaceous plants	L 1.2	
Boundary of area within 150 ft of the wetland (<i>can be added to another figure</i>)	L 2.2	
1 km Polygon: Area that extends 1 km from entire wetland edge - including polygons for accessible habitat and undisturbed habitat	H 2.1, H 2.2, H 2.3	
Screen capture of map of 303(d) listed waters in basin (from Ecology website)	L 3.1, L 3.2	
Screen capture of list of TMDLs for WRIA in which wetland is found (website)	L 3.3	

Slope Wetlands

Map of:	To answer questions:	Figure #
Cowardin plant classes and classes of emergents	H 1.1, H 1.5	
Hydroperiods	H 1.2, H 1.3	
Plant cover of dense trees, shrubs, and herbaceous plants	S 1.3	
Plant cover of dense, rigid trees, shrubs, and herbaceous plants (<i>can be added to figure above</i>)	S 4.1	
Boundary of area within 150 ft of the wetland (<i>can be added to another figure</i>)	S 2.1, S 5.1	
1 km Polygon: Area that extends 1 km from entire wetland edge - including polygons for accessible habitat and undisturbed habitat	H 2.1, H 2.2, H 2.3	
Screen capture of map of 303(d) listed waters in basin (from Ecology website)	S 3.1, S 3.2	
Screen capture of list of TMDLs for WRIA in which wetland is found (website)	S 3.3	

HGM Classification of Wetland in Eastern Washington

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If the hydrologic criteria listed in each question do not apply to the entire unit being rated, you probably have a unit with multiple HGM classes. In this case, identify which hydrologic criteria in questions 1-4 apply, and go to Question 5.

1. Does the entire unit **meet both** of the following criteria?

☐ The vegetated part of the wetland is on the water side of the Ordinary High Water Mark of a body of permanent open water (without any plants on the surface) that is at least 20 ac (8 ha) in size
☐ At least 30% of the open water area is deeper than 10 ft (3 m)

☒ NO - go to 2

YES - The wetland class is **Lake Fringe** (Lacustrine Fringe)

2. Does the entire wetland unit **meet all** of the following criteria?

☒ The wetland is on a slope (*slope can be very gradual*),
☒ The water flows through the wetland in one direction (unidirectional) and usually comes from seeps. It may flow subsurface, as sheetflow, or in a swale without distinct banks;
☒ The water leaves the wetland **without being impounded**.

NO - go to 3

YES - The wetland class is **Slope**

NOTE: Surface water does not pond in these type of wetlands except occasionally in very small and shallow depressions or behind hummocks (depressions are usually <3 ft diameter and less than 1 foot deep).

3. Does the entire wetland unit **meet all** of the following criteria?

☒ The unit is in a valley, or stream channel, where it gets inundated by overbank flooding from that stream or river;
☒ The overbank flooding occurs at least once every 10 years.

NO - go to 4

YES - The wetland class is **Riverine**

NOTE: The Riverine wetland can contain depressions that are filled with water when the river is not flooding.

4. Is the entire wetland unit in a topographic depression in which water ponds, or is saturated to the surface, at some time during the year. *This means that any outlet, if present, is higher than the interior of the wetland.*

NO - go to 5

☒ YES - The wetland class is **Depressional**

5. Your wetland unit seems to be difficult to classify and probably contains several different HGM classes. For example, seeps at the base of a slope may grade into a riverine floodplain, or a small stream within a Depressional wetland has a zone of flooding along its sides. GO BACK AND IDENTIFY WHICH OF THE HYDROLOGIC REGIMES DESCRIBED IN QUESTIONS 1-4 APPLY TO DIFFERENT AREAS IN THE WETLAND UNIT (make a rough sketch to help you decide). Use the following table to identify the appropriate class to use for the rating system if you have several HGM classes present within the wetland unit being scored.

Wetland name or number E

NOTE: Use this table only if the class that is recommended in the second column represents 10% or more of the total area of the wetland unit being rated. If the area of the HGM class listed in column 2 is less than 10% of the wetland unit; classify the wetland using the class that represents more than 90% of the total area.

HGM classes within the wetland unit being rated	HGM Class to use in rating
Slope + Riverine	Riverine
Slope + Depressional	Depressional
Slope + Lake Fringe	Lake Fringe
Depressional + Riverine (the riverine portion is within the boundary of depression)	Depressional
Depressional + Lake Fringe	Depressional
Riverine + Lake Fringe	Riverine

*If you are still unable to determine which of the above criteria apply to your wetland, or if you have **more than 2 HGM classes** within a wetland boundary, classify the wetland as Depressional for the rating.*

Wetland name or number E

RIVERINE WETLANDS

Points:
(only 1 score
per box)

Water Quality Functions - Indicators that the site functions to improve water quality

R 1.0. Does the site have the potential to improve water quality?

R 1.1. Area of surface depressions within the Riverine wetland that can trap sediments during a flooding event:		
Depressions cover $> \frac{1}{3}$ area of wetland	points = 6	
Depressions cover $> \frac{1}{10}$ area of wetland	points = 3	
Depressions present but cover $< \frac{1}{10}$ area of wetland	points = 1	
No depressions present	points = 0	0
R 1.2. Structure of plants in the wetland (areas with $> 90\%$ cover at person height; not Cowardin classes):		
Forest or shrub $> \frac{2}{3}$ the area of the wetland	points = 10	
Forest or shrub $\frac{1}{3} - \frac{2}{3}$ area of the wetland	points = 5	
Ungrazed, herbaceous plants $> \frac{2}{3}$ area of wetland	points = 5	
Ungrazed herbaceous plants $\frac{1}{3} - \frac{2}{3}$ area of wetland	points = 2	2
Forest, shrub, and ungrazed herbaceous $< \frac{1}{3}$ area of wetland	points = 0	
Total for R 1	Add the points in the boxes above	2

Rating of Site Potential If score is: 12-16 = H 6-11 = M ☒ 0-5 = L

Record the rating on the first page

R 2.0. Does the landscape have the potential to support the water quality function of the site?

R 2.1. Is the wetland within an incorporated city or within its UGA?	Yes = 2 No = 0	0
R 2.2. Does the contributing basin include a UGA or incorporated area?	Yes = 1 No = 0	0
R 2.3. Does at least 10% of the contributing basin contain tilled fields, pastures, or forests that have been clearcut within the last 5 years?	Yes = 1 No = 0	1
R 2.4. Is $> 10\%$ of the area within 150 ft of wetland in land uses that generate pollutants?	Yes = 1 No = 0	1
R 2.5. Are there other sources of pollutants coming into the wetland that are not listed in questions R 2.1-R 2.4? Source _____	Yes = 1 No = 0	0
Total for R 2	Add the points in the boxes above	2

Rating of Landscape Potential If score is: 3-6 = H ☒ 1 or 2 = M 0 = L

Record the rating on the first page

R 3.0. Is the water quality improvement provided by the site valuable to society?

R 3.1. Is the wetland along a stream or river that is on the 303(d) list or on a tributary that drains to one within 1 mi?	Yes = 1 No = 0	0
R 3.2. Does the river or stream have TMDL limits for nutrients, toxics, or pathogens?	Yes = 1 No = 0	0
R 3.3. Has the site been identified in a watershed or local plan as important for maintaining water quality? Answer YES if there is a TMDL for the drainage in which wetland is found.	Yes = 2 No = 0	2
Total for R 3	Add the points in the boxes above	2

Rating of Value If score is: ☒ 2-4 = H 1 = M 0 = L

Record the rating on the first page

Wetland name or number E

RIVERINE WETLANDS

Points
(only 1 score
per box)

Hydrologic Functions – Indicators that site functions to reduce flooding and stream erosion

R 4.0. Does the site have the potential to reduce flooding and erosion?
R 4.1. Characteristics of the overbank storage the wetland provides:

Estimate the average width of the wetland perpendicular to the direction of the flow and the width of the stream or river channel (distance between banks). Calculate the ratio: (average width of wetland)/(average width of stream between banks).

If the ratio is more than 2

points = 10

If the ratio is 1-2

points = 8

If the ratio is $\frac{1}{2}$ -<1

points = 4

If the ratio is $\frac{1}{4}$ -< $\frac{1}{2}$

points = 2

If the ratio is < $\frac{1}{4}$

points = 1

0

R 4.2. Characteristics of plants that slow down water velocities during floods: *Treat large woody debris as forest or shrub. Choose the points appropriate for the best description (polygons need to have > 90% cover at person height. These are NOT Cowardin classes).*

Forest or shrub for more than $\frac{2}{3}$ the area of the wetland

points = 6

Forest or shrub for $>\frac{1}{3}$ area OR emergent plants $>\frac{2}{3}$ area

points = 4

Forest or shrub for $>\frac{1}{10}$ area OR emergent plants $>\frac{1}{3}$ area

points = 2

Plants do not meet above criteria

points = 0

4

Total for R 5

Add the points in the boxes above

12

Rating of Site Potential If score is: ☒ 12-16 = H ☐ 6-11 = M ☐ 0-5 = L

Record the rating on the first page

R 5.0. Does the landscape have the potential to support the hydrologic functions of the site?
R 5.1. Is the stream or river adjacent to the wetland downcut?

Yes = 0 No = 1

0

R 5.2. Does the up-gradient watershed include a UGA or incorporated area?

Yes = 1 No = 0

0

R 5.3. Is the up-gradient stream or river controlled by dams?

Yes = 0 No = 1

1

Total for R 5

Add the points in the boxes above

1

Rating of Landscape Potential If score is: ☐ 3 = H ☒ 1 or 2 = M ☐ 0 = L

Record the rating on the first page

R 6.0. Are the hydrologic functions provided by the site valuable to society?
R 6.1. Distance to the nearest areas downstream that have flooding problems? *Choose the description that best fits the site.*

The sub-basin immediately down-gradient of site has surface flooding problems that result in damage to human or natural resources

points = 2

Surface flooding problems are in a basin farther down-gradient

points = 1

No flooding problems anywhere downstream

points = 0

0

R 6.2. Has the site been identified as important for flood storage or flood conveyance in a regional flood control plan?

Yes = 2 No = 0

0

Total for R 6

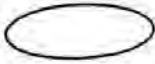





Add the points in the boxes above

0

Rating of Value If score is: ☐ 2-4 = H ☐ 1 = M ☒ 0 = L

Record the rating on the first page

Wetland name or number E

These questions apply to wetlands of all HGM classes.		(only 1 score per box)		
HABITAT FUNCTIONS - Indicators that site functions to provide important habitat				
H 1.0. Does the wetland have the potential to provide habitat for many species?				
<p>H 1.1. Structure of the plant community: <i>Check the Cowardin vegetation classes present and categories of emergent plants. Size threshold for each category is $\geq \frac{1}{4}$ ac or $\geq 10\%$ of the wetland if wetland is < 2.5 ac.</i></p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Aquatic bed</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Emergent plants 0-12 in (0-30 cm) high are the highest layer and have $> 30\%$ cover</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Emergent plants >12-40 in (>30-100 cm) high are the highest layer with $>30\%$ cover</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Emergent plants > 40 in (> 100 cm) high are the highest layer with $>30\%$ cover</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Scrub-shrub (areas where shrubs have $>30\%$ cover)</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Forested (areas where trees have $>30\%$ cover)</p> <p style="text-align: right;">4 or more checks: points = 3 3 checks: points = 2 2 checks: points = 1 1 check: points = 0</p>	1			
H 1.2. Is one of the vegetation types Aquatic Bed?	Yes = 1 <u>No = 0</u>			
<p>H 1.3. Surface water</p> <p>H 1.3.1. Does the wetland have areas of open water (without emergent or shrub plants) over at least $\frac{1}{4}$ ac OR 10% of its area during the March to early June OR in August to the end of September? <i>Answer YES for Lake Fringe wetlands.</i> Yes = 3 points & go to H 1.4 <u>No = go to H 1.3.2</u></p> <p>H 1.3.2. Does the wetland have an intermittent or permanent, and unvegetated stream within its boundaries, or along one side, over at least $\frac{1}{4}$ ac or 10% of its area? <i>Answer yes only if H 1.3.1 is No</i> Yes = 3 <u>No = 0</u></p>			3	
<p>H 1.4. Richness of plant species Count the number of plant species in the wetland that cover at least 10 ft^2. <i>Different patches of the same species can be combined to meet the size threshold. You do not have to name the species. Do not include Eurasian milfoil, reed canarygrass, purple loosestrife, Russian olive, Phragmites, Canadian thistle, yellow-flag iris, and saltcedar (Tamarisk)</i></p> <p># of species <u>3</u></p> <p style="text-align: right;">Scoring: > 9 species: points = 2 4-9 species: points = 1 4 species: points = 0</p>			0	
<p>H 1.5. Interspersion of habitats Decide from the diagrams below whether interspersions among types of plant structures (described in H 1.1), and unvegetated areas (open water or mudflats) is high, moderate, low, or none. <i>Use map of Cowardin and emergent plant classes prepared for questions H 1.1 and map of open water from H 1.3. If you have four or more plant classes or three classes and open water, the rating is always high.</i></p> <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-around; align-items: flex-end;"> <div style="text-align: center;">  <p>None = 0 points</p> </div> <div style="text-align: center;">  <p>Low = 1 point</p> </div> <div style="text-align: center;">  <p>Moderate = 2 points</p> </div> </div> <p>All three diagrams in this row are High = 3 points</p> <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-around; align-items: flex-end;">    </div> <p style="text-align: right;">Riparian braided channels with 2 classes</p>			Figure <u>1</u>	

H 1.6. Special habitat features <i>Check the habitat features that are present in the wetland. The number of checks is the number of points.</i> <input type="checkbox"/> Loose rocks larger than 4 in OR large, downed, woody debris (> 4 in diameter) within the area of surface ponding or in stream. <input type="checkbox"/> Cattails or bulrushes are present within the wetland. <input type="checkbox"/> Standing snags (diameter at the bottom > 4 in) in the wetland or within 30 m (100 ft) of the edge. <input type="checkbox"/> Emergent or shrub vegetation in areas that are permanently inundated/ponded. <input type="checkbox"/> Stable steep banks of fine material that might be used by beaver or muskrat for denning (> 45 degree slope) OR signs of recent beaver activity <input type="checkbox"/> Invasive species cover less than 20% in each stratum of vegetation (canopy, sub-canopy, shrubs, herbaceous, moss/ground cover)		0
Total for H 1	Add the points in the boxes above	5
Rating of Site Potential If score is: <u>15-18 = H</u> <u>7-14 = M</u> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <u>0-6 = L</u> Record the rating on the first page		

H 2.0. Does the landscape have the potential to support habitat functions of the site?		
H 2.1. Accessible habitat (only area of habitat abutting wetland). If total accessible habitat is: <i>Calculate:</i> % undisturbed habitat <u> </u> + [(% moderate and low intensity land uses)/2] <u> </u> = <u> </u> % > 1/3 (33.3%) of 1 km Polygon points = 3 20-33% of 1km Polygon points = 2 10-19% of 1km Polygon points = 1 <10% of 1km Polygon points = 0		1
H 2.2. Undisturbed habitat in 1 km Polygon around wetland. <i>Calculate:</i> % undisturbed habitat <u> </u> + [(% moderate and low intensity land uses)/2] <u> </u> = <u> </u> % Undisturbed habitat > 50% of Polygon points = 3 Undisturbed habitat 10 - 50% and in 1-3 patches points = 2 Undisturbed habitat 10 - 50% and > 3 patches points = 1 Undisturbed habitat < 10% of Polygon points = 0		0
H 2.3. Land use intensity in 1 km Polygon: > 50% of Polygon is high intensity land use points = (-2) Does not meet criterion above points = 0		-2
H 2.4. The wetland is in an area where annual rainfall is less than 12 in, and its water regime is not influenced by irrigation practices, dams, or water control structures. Generally, this means outside boundaries of reclamation areas, irrigation districts, or reservoirs Yes = 3 No = 0		0
Total for H 2	Add the points in the boxes above	-1
Rating of Landscape Potential If score is: <u>4-9 = H</u> <u>1-3 = M</u> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <u>< 1 = L</u> Record the rating on the first page		

H 3.0. Is the habitat provided by the site valuable to society?		
H 3.1. Does the site provide habitat for species valued in laws, regulations, or policies? Choose the highest score that applies to the wetland being rated Site meets ANY of the following criteria: points = 2 <input type="checkbox"/> It has 3 or more priority habitats within 100 m (see Appendix B) <input type="checkbox"/> It provides habitat for Threatened or Endangered species (any plant or animal on state or federal lists) <input type="checkbox"/> It is mapped as a location for an individual WDFW species <input type="checkbox"/> It is a Wetland of High Conservation Value as determined by the Department of Natural Resources <input type="checkbox"/> It has been categorized as an important habitat site in a local or regional comprehensive plan, in a Shoreline Master Plan, or in a watershed plan Site has 1 or 2 priority habitats within 100 m (see Appendix B) points = 1 Site does not meet any of the criteria above points = 0		0
Rating of Value If score is: <u>2 = H</u> <u>1 = M</u> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <u>0 = L</u> Record the rating on the first page		

CATEGORIZATION BASED ON SPECIAL CHARACTERISTICS

Please determine if the wetland meets the attributes described below and circle the appropriate category. NOTE: A wetland may meet the criteria for more than one set of special characteristics. Record all those that apply. NOTE: All wetlands should also be characterized based on their functions.

Wetland Type	Category
<p>SC 1.0: Vernal pools</p> <p>Is the wetland less than 4000 ft² and does it meet at least two of the following criteria?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> — Its only source of water is rainfall or groundwater from a small contributing basin and has no groundwater input — Wetland plants are typically present only in the spring; the summer vegetation is typically upland grasses. If you find persistent obligate wetland plants, the wetland is probably NOT a vernal pool — The soil in the wetland is shallow (< 1 ft (30 cm) deep) and is underlain by an impermeable layer such as bedrock or clay — Surface water is present for less than 120 days during the wet season. <p style="text-align: right;">Yes = Go to SC 1.1 No = Not a vernal pool</p> <p>SC 1.1: Is the vernal pool relatively undisturbed in February and March?</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Yes = Go to SC 1.2 No = Not a vernal pool with special characteristics</p>	
<p>SC 1.2: Is the vernal pool in an area where there are at least 3 separate aquatic resources within 0.5 mi (other wetlands, marsh, lake, etc.)?</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Yes = Category II No = Category III</p>	<p>Cat. II Cat. III</p>
<p>SC 2.0: Alkali wetlands</p> <p>Does the wetland meet one of the following criteria?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> — The wetland has a conductivity > 3.0 mS/cm — The wetland has a conductivity between 2.0 and 3.0 mS, and more than 30% of the plant cover in the wetland can be classified as "alkali" species (see Table 8 for list of plants found in alkali systems) — If the wetland is dry at the time of your field visit, the central part of the area is covered with a layer of salt <p>OR does the wetland meet two of the following three sub-criteria?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> — Salt encrustations around more than 75% of the edge of the wetland — More than 1% of the plant cover consists of species listed on Table 8 — A pH above 8.5. All alkali wetlands have a high pH but please note that some freshwater wetlands may also have a high pH. Thus, pH alone is not a good indicator of alkali wetlands. <p style="text-align: right;">Yes = Category I No = Not an alkali wetland</p>	<p>Cat. I</p>
<p>SC 3.0: Wetlands of High Conservation Value (WHCV)</p> <p>SC 3.1: Has the WA Department of Natural Resources updated their website to include the list of Wetlands of High Conservation Value?</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Yes = Go to SC 3.2 No = Go to SC 3.3</p> <p>SC 3.2: Is the wetland listed on the WDNR database as a Wetland of High Conservation Value?</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Yes = Category I No = Not a WHCV</p> <p>SC 3.3: Is the wetland in a Section/Township/Range that contains a Natural Heritage wetland?</p> <p>http://www2.dnr.wa.gov/data/nhr/section/township/range/wetlands.pdf</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Yes = Contact WDNR/WDNR and go to SC 3.4 No = Not a WHCV</p> <p>SC 3.4: Has WDNR identified the wetland within the S/T/R as a Wetland of High Conservation Value and it is listed on their website?</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Yes = Category I No = Not a WHCV</p>	<p>Cat. I</p>

Wetland name or number E

<p>SC 4.0 Bogs and Calcareous Fens</p> <p>Does the wetland (or any part of the wetland unit) meet both the criteria for soils and vegetation in bogs or calcareous fens? <i>Use the key below to identify if the wetland is a bog or calcareous fen. If you answer yes you will still need to rate the wetland based on its functions.</i></p> <p>SC 4.1. Does an area within the wetland have organic soil horizons (i.e., layers of organic soil), either peats or mucks, that compose 16 in or more of the first 32 in of the soil profile? <i>See Appendix C for a field key to identify organic soils.</i> Yes – Go to SC 4.3 No – Go to SC 4.2</p> <p>SC 4.2. Does an area within the wetland have organic soils, either peats or mucks, that are less than 16 in deep over bedrock or an impermeable hardpan such as clay or volcanic ash, or that are floating on top of a lake or pond? Yes – Go to SC 4.3 No = Is not a bog for rating</p> <p>SC 4.3. Does an area within the wetland have more than 70% cover of mosses at ground level AND at least 30% of the total plant cover consists of species in Table 5? Yes = Category I bog No – Go to SC 4.4</p> <p>NOTE: If you are uncertain about the extent of mosses in the understory, you may substitute that criterion by measuring the pH of the water that seeps into a hole dug at least 16 in deep. If the pH is less than 5.0 and the plant species in Table 5 are present, the wetland is a bog.</p> <p>SC 4.4. Is an area with peats or mucks forested (> 30% cover) with subalpine fir, western red cedar, western hemlock, lodgepole pine, quaking aspen, Engelmann spruce, or western white pine, AND any of the species (or combination of species) listed in Table 5 provide more than 30% of the cover under the canopy? Yes = Category I bog No – Go to SC 4.5</p> <p>SC 4.5. Do the species listed in Table 6 comprise at least 20% of the total plant cover within an area of peats and mucks? Yes = Is a Calcareous Fen for purpose of rating No – Go to SC 4.6</p> <p>SC 4.6. Do the species listed in Table 6 comprise at least 10% of the total plant cover in an area of peats and mucks, AND one of the two following conditions is met:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> — Marl deposits [calcium carbonate (CaCO₃) precipitate] occur on the soil surface or plant stems — The pH of free water is ≥ 6.8 AND electrical conductivity is ≥ 200 uS/cm at multiple locations within the wetland <p>Yes = Is a Category I calcareous fen No = Is not a calcareous fen</p>	<p>Cat. I</p> <p>Cat. I</p>
<p>SC 5.0. Forested Wetlands</p> <p>Does the wetland have an area of forest rooted within its boundary that meets at least one of the following three criteria? <i>(Continue only if you have identified that a forested class is present in question H 1.1)</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> — The wetland is within the 100 year floodplain of a river or stream — Aspen (<i>Populus tremuloides</i>) represents at least 20% of the total cover of woody species — There is at least ¼ ac of trees (even in wetlands smaller than 2.5 ac) that are "mature" or "old-growth" according to the definitions for these priority habitats developed by WDFW <i>(see definitions in question H3.1)</i> <p>Yes – Go to SC 5.1 No = Not a forested wetland with special characteristics</p> <p>SC 5.1. Does the wetland have a forest canopy where more than 50% of the tree species (by cover) are slow growing native trees <i>(see Table 7)</i>? Yes = Category I No – Go to SC 5.2</p> <p>SC 5.2. Does the wetland have areas where aspen (<i>Populus tremuloides</i>) represents at least 20% of the total cover of woody species? Yes = Category I No – Go to SC 5.3</p> <p>SC 5.3. Does the wetland have at least ¼ acre with a forest canopy where more than 50% of the tree species (by cover) are fast growing species <i>(see Table 7)</i>? Yes = Category II No – Go to SC 5.4</p> <p>SC 5.4. Is the forested component of the wetland within the 100 year floodplain of a river or stream? Yes = Category II No = Not a forested wetland with special characteristics</p>	<p>Cat. I</p> <p>Cat. I</p> <p>Cat. II</p> <p>Cat. II</p>
<p>Category of wetland based on Special Characteristics</p> <p><i>Choose the highest rating if wetland falls into several categories</i></p> <p>If you answered No for all types, enter "Not Applicable" on Summary Form</p>	

Appendix B: WDFW Priority Habitats in Eastern Washington

Priority habitats listed by WDFW (see complete descriptions of WDFW priority habitats, and the counties in which they can be found, in: Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife. 2008. Priority Habitat and Species List. Olympia, Washington. 177 pp. <http://wdfw.wa.gov/publications/00165/wdfw00165.pdf> or access the list from here: <http://wdfw.wa.gov/conservation/phs/list/>)

Count how many of the following priority habitats are within 330 ft (100 m) of the wetland: **NOTE:** This question is independent of the land use between the wetland and the priority habitat.

- **Aspen Stands:** Pure or mixed stands of aspen greater than 1 ac (0.4 ha).
- **Biodiversity Areas and Corridors:** Areas of habitat that are relatively important to various species of native fish and wildlife (full descriptions in WDFW PHS report).
- **Old-growth/Mature forests:** Old-growth east of Cascade crest – Stands are highly variable in tree species composition and structural characteristics due to the influence of fire, climate, and soils. In general, stands will be >150 years of age, with 10 trees/ac (25 trees/ha) that are > 21 in (53 cm) dbh, and 1-3 snags/ac (2.5-7.5 snags/ha) that are > 12-14 in (30-35 cm) diameter. Downed logs may vary from abundant to absent. Canopies may be single or multi-layered. Evidence of human-caused alterations to the stand will be absent or so slight as to not affect the ecosystem's essential structures and functions. Mature forests – Stands with average diameters exceeding 21 in (53 cm) dbh; crown cover may be less than 100%; decay, decadence, numbers of snags, and quantity of large downed material is generally less than that found in old-growth; 80-200 years old west and 80-160 years old east of the Cascade crest.
- **Oregon White Oak:** Woodland stands of pure oak or oak/conifer associations where canopy coverage of the oak component is important (full descriptions in WDFW PHS report p. 158 – see web link above).
- **Riparian:** The area adjacent to aquatic systems with flowing water that contains elements of both aquatic and terrestrial ecosystems which mutually influence each other.
- **Instream:** The combination of physical, biological, and chemical processes and conditions that interact to provide functional life history requirements for instream fish and wildlife resources.
- **Caves:** A naturally occurring cavity, recess, void, or system of interconnected passages under the earth in soils, rock, ice, or other geological formations and is large enough to contain a human.
- **Cliffs:** Greater than 25 ft (7.6 m) high and occurring below 5000 ft elevation.
- **Talus:** Homogenous areas of rock rubble ranging in average size 0.5 - 6.5 ft (0.15 - 2.0 m), composed of basalt, andesite, and/or sedimentary rock, including riprap slides and mine tailings. May be associated with cliffs.
- **Snags and Logs:** Trees are considered snags if they are dead or dying and exhibit sufficient decay characteristics to enable cavity excavation/use by wildlife. Priority snags have a diameter at breast height of > 12 in (30 cm) in eastern Washington and are > 6.5 ft (2 m) in height. Priority logs are > 12 in (30 cm) in diameter at the largest end, and > 20 ft (6 m) long.
- **Shrub-steppe:** A nonforested vegetation type consisting of one or more layers of perennial bunchgrasses and a conspicuous but discontinuous layer of shrubs (see Eastside Steppe for sites with little or no shrub cover).
- **Eastside Steppe:** Nonforested vegetation type dominated by broadleaf herbaceous flora (i.e., forbs), perennial bunchgrasses, or a combination of both. Bluebunch wheatgrass (*Pseudoroegneria spicata*) is often the prevailing cover component along with Idaho fescue (*Festuca idahoensis*), Sandberg bluegrass (*Poa secunda*), rough fescue (*F. campestris*), or needlegrasses (*Achnatherum* spp.).
- **Juniper Savannah:** All juniper woodlands.

Note: All vegetated wetlands are by definition a priority habitat but are not included in this list because they are addressed elsewhere.

Wetland name or number

F**RATING SUMMARY – Eastern Washington**

Name of wetland (or ID #):

Wetland F

Date of site visit:

5/1/20

Rated by

Rachel Locke

Trained by Ecology?

Yes ☒ No ☐

Date of training

HGM Class used for rating

Riverine

Wetland has multiple HGM classes?

Y ☒ N ☐**NOTE: Form is not complete without the figures requested (figures can be combined).**

Source of base aerial photo/map

OVERALL WETLAND CATEGORY☒(based on functions or special characteristics)**1. Category of wetland based on FUNCTIONS** Category I – Total score = 22-27 Category II – Total score = 19-21 Category III – Total score = 16-18✓ Category IV – Total score = 9-15

FUNCTION	Improving Water Quality			Hydrologic			Habitat			
Circle the appropriate ratings										
Site Potential	H	M	L	H	M	L	H	M	L	
Landscape Potential	H	M	L	H	M	L	H	M	L	
Value	H	M	L	H	M	L	H	M	L	
Score Based on Ratings	6			6			3			15

Score for each
function based
on three
ratings
(order of ratings
is not
important)

9 = H,H,H

8 = H,H,M

7 = H,H,L

7 = H,M,M

6 = H,M,L

6 = M,M,M

5 = H,L,L

5 = M,M,L

4 = M,L,L

3 = L,L,L

2. Category based on SPECIAL CHARACTERISTICS of wetland

CHARACTERISTIC	CATEGORY	
	Circle the appropriate category	
Vernal Pools	<u>II</u>	<u>III</u>
Alkali	<u>I</u>	
Wetland of High Conservation Value	<u>I</u>	
Bog and Calcareous Fens	<u>I</u>	
Old Growth or Mature Forest – slow growing	<u>I</u>	
Aspen Forest	<u>I</u>	
Old Growth or Mature Forest – fast growing	<u>II</u>	
Floodplain forest	<u>II</u>	
None of the above	<u>✓</u>	

HGM Classification of Wetland in Eastern Washington

For questions 1-4, the criteria described must apply to the entire unit being rated.

If the hydrologic criteria listed in each question do not apply to the entire unit being rated, you probably have a unit with multiple HGM classes. In this case, identify which hydrologic criteria in questions 1-4 apply, and go to Question 5.

1. Does the entire unit **meet both** of the following criteria?

☐ The vegetated part of the wetland is on the water side of the Ordinary High Water Mark of a body of permanent open water (without any plants on the surface) that is at least 20 ac (8 ha) in size
☐ At least 30% of the open water area is deeper than 10 ft (3 m)

NO - go to 2

YES - The wetland class is **Lake Fringe** (Lacustrine Fringe)

2. Does the entire wetland unit **meet all** of the following criteria?

☐ The wetland is on a slope (*slope can be very gradual*),
☐ The water flows through the wetland in one direction (unidirectional) and usually comes from seeps. It may flow subsurface, as sheetflow, or in a swale without distinct banks;
☐ The water leaves the wetland **without being impounded**.

NO - go to 3

YES - The wetland class is **Slope**

NOTE: Surface water does not pond in these type of wetlands except occasionally in very small and shallow depressions or behind hummocks (depressions are usually <3 ft diameter and less than 1 foot deep).

3. Does the entire wetland unit **meet all** of the following criteria?

☒ The unit is in a valley, or stream channel, where it gets inundated by overbank flooding from that stream or river;
☒ The overbank flooding occurs at least once every 10 years.

NO - go to 4

YES - The wetland class is **Riverine**

NOTE: The Riverine wetland can contain depressions that are filled with water when the river is not flooding.

4. Is the entire wetland unit in a topographic depression in which water ponds, or is saturated to the surface, at some time during the year. *This means that any outlet, if present, is higher than the interior of the wetland.*

NO - go to 5

YES - The wetland class is **Depressional**

5. Your wetland unit seems to be difficult to classify and probably contains several different HGM classes. For example, seeps at the base of a slope may grade into a riverine floodplain, or a small stream within a Depressional wetland has a zone of flooding along its sides. **GO BACK AND IDENTIFY WHICH OF THE HYDROLOGIC REGIMES DESCRIBED IN QUESTIONS 1-4 APPLY TO DIFFERENT AREAS IN THE WETLAND UNIT** (make a rough sketch to help you decide). Use the following table to identify the appropriate class to use for the rating system if you have several HGM classes present within the wetland unit being scored.

Wetland name or number _____

NOTE: Use this table only if the class that is recommended in the second column represents 10% or more of the total area of the wetland unit being rated. If the area of the HGM class listed in column 2 is less than 10% of the wetland unit; classify the wetland using the class that represents more than 90% of the total area.

HGM classes within the wetland unit being rated	HGM Class to use in rating
Slope + Riverine	Riverine
Slope + Depressional	Depressional
Slope + Lake Fringe	Lake Fringe
Depressional + Riverine (the riverine portion is within the boundary of depression)	Depressional
Depressional + Lake Fringe	Depressional
Riverine + Lake Fringe	Riverine

*If you are still unable to determine which of the above criteria apply to your wetland, or if you have **more than 2 HGM classes** within a wetland boundary, classify the wetland as Depressional for the rating.*

Wetland name or number

F

RIVERINE WETLANDS

Points
(only 1 score
per box)

Water Quality Functions - Indicators that the site functions to improve water quality

R 1.0. Does the site have the potential to improve water quality?

R 1.1. Area of surface depressions within the Riverine wetland that can trap sediments during a flooding event:		
Depressions cover $> \frac{1}{3}$ area of wetland	points = 6	
Depressions cover $> \frac{1}{10}$ area of wetland	points = 3	
Depressions present but cover $< \frac{1}{10}$ area of wetland	points = 1	
No depressions present	points = 0	1
R 1.2. Structure of plants in the wetland (areas with $> 90\%$ cover at person height; not Cowardin classes):		
Forest or shrub $> \frac{2}{3}$ the area of the wetland	points = 10	
Forest or shrub $\frac{1}{3} - \frac{2}{3}$ area of the wetland	points = 5	
Ungrazed, herbaceous plants $> \frac{2}{3}$ area of wetland	points = 5	
Ungrazed herbaceous plants $\frac{1}{3} - \frac{2}{3}$ area of wetland	points = 2	
Forest, shrub, and ungrazed herbaceous $< \frac{1}{3}$ area of wetland	points = 0	2
Total for R 1	Add the points in the boxes above	3

Rating of Site Potential If score is: 12-16 = H 6-11 = M ☒ 0-5 = L

Record the rating on the first page

R 2.0. Does the landscape have the potential to support the water quality function of the site?

R 2.1. Is the wetland within an incorporated city or within its UGA?	Yes = 2 No = 0	0
R 2.2. Does the contributing basin include a UGA or incorporated area?	Yes = 1 No = 0	0
R 2.3. Does at least 10% of the contributing basin contain tilled fields, pastures, or forests that have been clearcut within the last 5 years?	Yes = 1 No = 0	1
R 2.4. Is $> 10\%$ of the area within 150 ft of wetland in land uses that generate pollutants	Yes = 1 No = 0	1
R 2.5. Are there other sources of pollutants coming into the wetland that are not listed in questions R 2.1-R 2.4? Source	Yes = 1 No = 0	0
Total for R 2	Add the points in the boxes above	2

Rating of Landscape Potential If score is: 3-6 = H ☒ 1 or 2 = M 0 = L

Record the rating on the first page

R 3.0. Is the water quality improvement provided by the site valuable to society?

R 3.1. Is the wetland along a stream or river that is on the 303(d) list or on a tributary that drains to one within 1 mi?	Yes = 1 No = 0	0
R 3.2. Does the river or stream have TMDL limits for nutrients, toxics, or pathogens?	Yes = 1 No = 0	0
R 3.3. Has the site been identified in a watershed or local plan as important for maintaining water quality? Answer YES if there is a TMDL for the drainage in which wetland is found.	Yes = 3 No = 0	2
Total for R 3	Add the points in the boxes above	2

Rating of Value If score is: ☒ 2-4 = H 1 = M 0 = L

Record the rating on the first page

Wetland name or number

F

RIVERINE WETLANDS

Points
(only 1 score
per box)

Hydrologic Functions – Indicators that site functions to reduce flooding and stream erosion

R 4.0. Does the site have the potential to reduce flooding and erosion?

R 4.1. Characteristics of the overbank storage the wetland provides:

Estimate the average width of the wetland perpendicular to the direction of the flow and the width of the stream or river channel (distance between banks). Calculate the ratio: (average width of wetland)/(average width of stream between banks).

If the ratio is more than 2

points = 10

If the ratio is 1-2

points = 8

If the ratio is $\frac{1}{2}$ -<1

points = 4

If the ratio is $\frac{1}{4}$ -< $\frac{1}{2}$

points = 2

If the ratio is < $\frac{1}{4}$

points = 1

8

R 4.2. Characteristics of plants that slow down water velocities during floods: Treat large woody debris as forest or shrub. Choose the points appropriate for the best description (polygons need to have > 90% cover at person height. These are NOT Cowardin classes).

Forest or shrub for more than $\frac{2}{3}$ the area of the wetland

points = 6

Forest or shrub for $>\frac{1}{3}$ area OR emergent plants $>\frac{2}{3}$ area

points = 4

Forest or shrub for $>\frac{1}{10}$ area OR emergent plants $>\frac{1}{3}$ area

points = 2

Plants do not meet above criteria

points = 0

4

Total for R 5

Add the points in the boxes above

12

Rating of Site Potential If score is: ☒ 12-16 = H ☐ 6-11 = M ☐ 0-5 = L

Record the rating on the first page

R 5.0. Does the landscape have the potential to support the hydrologic functions of the site?

R 5.1. Is the stream or river adjacent to the wetland downcut?

Yes = 0 No = 1

0

R 5.2. Does the up-gradient watershed include a UGA or incorporated area?

Yes = 1 No = 0

0

R 5.3. Is the up-gradient stream or river controlled by dams?

Yes = 0 No = 1

1

Total for R 5

Add the points in the boxes above

1

Rating of Landscape Potential If score is: ☐ 3 = H ☒ 1 or 2 = M ☐ 0 = L

Record the rating on the first page

R 6.0. Are the hydrologic functions provided by the site valuable to society?

R 6.1. Distance to the nearest areas downstream that have flooding problems? Choose the description that best fits the site.

The sub-basin immediately down-gradient of site has surface flooding problems that result in damage to human or natural resources

points = 2

Surface flooding problems are in a basin farther down-gradient

points = 1

No flooding problems anywhere downstream

points = 0

0

R 6.2. Has the site been identified as important for flood storage or flood conveyance in a regional flood control plan?

Yes = 2 No = 0

0

Total for R 6

Add the points in the boxes above

0

Rating of Value If score is: ☐ 2-4 = H ☐ 1 = M ☒ 0 = L

Record the rating on the first page

These questions apply to wetlands of all HGM classes.

(only 1
score per
box)**HABITAT FUNCTIONS** - Indicators that site functions to provide important habitat

H 1.0. Does the wetland have the potential to provide habitat for many species?

H 1.1. Structure of the plant community:

Check the Cowardin vegetation classes present and categories of emergent plants. Size threshold for each category is $\geq \frac{1}{4}$ ac or $\geq 10\%$ of the wetland if wetland is < 2.5 ac.

Aquatic bed

- ☒ Emergent plants 0-12 in (0-30 cm) high are the highest layer and have $> 30\%$ cover
- ☐ Emergent plants >12-40 in (>30-100 cm) high are the highest layer with $> 30\%$ cover
- ☐ Emergent plants > 40 in (> 100 cm) high are the highest layer with $> 30\%$ cover
- ☐ Scrub-shrub (areas where shrubs have $> 30\%$ cover)
- ☐ Forested (areas where trees have $> 30\%$ cover)

4 or more checks: points = 3

3 checks: points = 2

2 checks: points = 1

1 check: points = 0

Yes = 1 No = 0

H 1.2. Is one of the vegetation types Aquatic Bed?

H 1.3. Surface water

H 1.3.1. Does the wetland have areas of open water (without emergent or shrub plants) over at least $\frac{1}{4}$ ac OR 10% of its area during the March to early June OR in August to the end of September? Answer YES for Lake Fringe wetlands.

Yes = 3 points & go to H 1.4 No = go to H 1.3.2

H 1.3.2. Does the wetland have an intermittent or permanent, and unvegetated stream within its boundaries, or along one side, over at least $\frac{1}{4}$ ac or 10% of its area? Answer yes only if H 1.3.1 is No.

Yes = 3 No = 0

H 1.4. Richness of plant species

Count the number of plant species in the wetland that cover at least 10 ft². Different patches of the same species can be combined to meet the size threshold. You do not have to name the species.

Do not include Eurasian milfoil, reed canarygrass, purple loosestrife, Russian olive, Phragmites, Canadian thistle, yellow-flag iris, and saltcedar (Tamarisk)

of species 4

Scoring: > 9 species: points = 2

4-9 species: points = 1

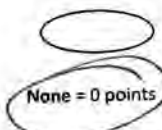
 ≤ 4 species: points = 0

H 1.5. Interspersion of habitats

Decide from the diagrams below whether interspersions among types of plant structures (described in H 1.1), and unvegetated areas (open water or mudflats) is high, moderate, low, or none.

Use map of Cowardin and emergent plant classes prepared for questions H 1.1 and map of open water from H 1.3. If you have four or more plant classes or three classes and open water, the rating is always high.

Figure

All three diagrams in this row are
High = 3 points

Riparian braided channels with 2 classes

H 1.6. Special habitat features Check the habitat features that are present in the wetland. The number of checks is the number of points. <input type="checkbox"/> Loose rocks larger than 4 in OR large, downed, woody debris (> 4 in diameter) within the area of surface ponding or in stream. <input type="checkbox"/> Cattails or bulrushes are present within the wetland. <input type="checkbox"/> Standing snags (diameter at the bottom > 4 in) in the wetland or within 30 m (100 ft) of the edge. <input type="checkbox"/> Emergent or shrub vegetation in areas that are permanently inundated/ponded. <input type="checkbox"/> Stable steep banks of fine material that might be used by beaver or muskrat for denning (> 45 degree slope) OR signs of recent beaver activity <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Invasive species cover less than 20% in each stratum of vegetation (canopy, sub-canopy, shrubs, herbaceous, moss/ground cover)		1
Total for H 1	Add the points in the boxes above	4

Rating of Site Potential If score is: 15-18 = H 7-14 = M ✓ 0-6 = L Record the rating on the first page

H 2.0. Does the landscape have the potential to support habitat functions of the site?		
H 2.1. Accessible habitat (only area of habitat abutting wetland). If total accessible habitat is: Calculate: % undisturbed habitat ____ + [(% moderate and low intensity land uses)/2] ____ = ____ % > 1/3 (33.3%) of 1 km Polygon points = 3 20-33% of 1km Polygon points = 2 10-19% of 1km Polygon points = 1 <10% of 1km Polygon points = 0		1
H 2.2. Undisturbed habitat in 1 km Polygon around wetland. Calculate: % undisturbed habitat ____ + [(% moderate and low intensity land uses)/2] ____ = ____ % Undisturbed habitat > 50% of Polygon points = 3 Undisturbed habitat 10 - 50% and in 1-3 patches points = 2 Undisturbed habitat 10 - 50% and > 3 patches points = 1 Undisturbed habitat < 10% of Polygon points = 0		1
H 2.3. Land use intensity in 1 km Polygon: > 50% of Polygon is high intensity land use points = 1 Does not meet criterion above points = 0		2
H 2.4. The wetland is in an area where annual rainfall is less than 12 in, and its water regime is not influenced by irrigation practices, dams, or water control structures. Generally, this means outside boundaries of reclamation areas, irrigation districts, or reservoirs Yes = 3 No = 0		0
Total for H 2	Add the points in the boxes above	0

Rating of Landscape Potential If score is: 4-9 = H 1-3 = M ✓ < 1 = L Record the rating on the first page

H 3.0. Is the habitat provided by the site valuable to society?		
H 3.1. Does the site provide habitat for species valued in laws, regulations, or policies? Choose the highest score that applies to the wetland being rated Site meets ANY of the following criteria: points = 2 <input type="checkbox"/> It has 3 or more priority habitats within 100 m (see Appendix B) <input type="checkbox"/> It provides habitat for Threatened or Endangered species (any plant or animal on state or federal lists) <input type="checkbox"/> It is mapped as a location for an individual WDFW species <input type="checkbox"/> It is a Wetland of High Conservation Value as determined by the Department of Natural Resources <input type="checkbox"/> It has been categorized as an important habitat site in a local or regional comprehensive plan, in a Shoreline Master Plan, or in a watershed plan Site has 1 or 2 priority habitats within 100 m (see Appendix B) points = 1 Site does not meet any of the criteria above points = 0		0

Rating of Value If score is: 2 = H 1 = M ✓ 0 = L Record the rating on the first page

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CATEGORIZATION BASED ON SPECIAL CHARACTERISTICS

Please determine if the wetland meets the attributes described below and circle the appropriate category. NOTE: A wetland may meet the criteria for more than one set of special characteristics. Record all those that apply. NOTE: All wetlands should also be characterized based on their functions.

Wetland Type	Category
<p><i>Check off any criteria that apply to the wetland. Circle the category when the appropriate criteria are met.</i></p> <p>SC 1.0. Vernal pools</p> <p>Is the wetland less than 4000 ft², and does it meet at least two of the following criteria?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> — Its only source of water is rainfall or snowmelt from a small contributing basin and has no groundwater input. — Wetland plants are typically present only in the spring; the summer vegetation is typically upland annuals. <i>If you find perennial, obligate, wetland plants, the wetland is probably NOT a vernal pool.</i> — The soil in the wetland is shallow (< 1 ft (30 cm) deep) and is underlain by an impermeable layer such as basalt or clay. — Surface water is present for less than 120 days during the wet season. <p>Yes – Go to SC 1.1 No = Not a vernal pool</p> <p>SC 1.1. Is the vernal pool relatively undisturbed in February and March?</p> <p>Yes – Go to SC 1.2 No = Not a vernal pool with special characteristics</p> <p>SC 1.2. Is the vernal pool in an area where there are at least 3 separate aquatic resources within 0.5 mi (other wetlands, rivers, lakes etc.)?</p> <p>Yes = Category II No = Category III</p>	<p>Cat. II Cat. III</p>
<p>SC 2.0. Alkali wetlands</p> <p>Does the wetland meet one of the following criteria?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> — The wetland has a conductivity > 3.0 mS/cm. — The wetland has a conductivity between 2.0 and 3.0 mS, and more than 50% of the plant cover in the wetland can be classified as "alkali" species (see Table 4 for list of plants found in alkali systems). — If the wetland is dry at the time of your field visit, the central part of the area is covered with a layer of salt. <p>OR does the wetland unit meet two of the following three sub-criteria?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> — Salt encrustations around more than 75% of the edge of the wetland — More than ¼ of the plant cover consists of species listed on Table 4 — A pH above 9.0. All alkali wetlands have a high pH, but please note that some freshwater wetlands may also have a high pH. Thus, pH alone is not a good indicator of alkali wetlands. <p>Yes = Category I No = Not an alkali wetland</p>	<p>Cat. I</p>
<p>SC 3.0. Wetlands of High Conservation Value (WHCV)</p> <p>SC 3.1. Has the WA Department of Natural Resources updated their website to include the list of Wetlands of High Conservation Value?</p> <p>Yes – Go to SC 3.2 No – Go to SC 3.3</p> <p>SC 3.2. Is the wetland listed on the WDNR database as a Wetland of High Conservation Value?</p> <p>Yes = Category I No = Not a WHCV</p> <p>SC 3.3. Is the wetland in a Section/Township/Range that contains a Natural Heritage wetland?</p> <p>http://www1.dnr.wa.gov/nhp/refdesk/datasetsearch/wnhpwetlands.pdf</p> <p>Yes – Contact WNHP/WDNR and go to SC 3.4 No = Not a WHCV</p> <p>SC 3.4. Has WDNR identified the wetland within the S/T/R as a Wetland of High Conservation Value and it is listed on their website?</p> <p>Yes = Category I No = Not a WHCV</p>	<p>Cat. I</p>

SC 4.0 Bogs and Calcareous Fens

Does the wetland (or any part of the wetland unit) meet both the criteria for soils and vegetation in bogs or calcareous fens? *Use the key below to identify if the wetland is a bog or calcareous fen. If you answer yes you will still need to rate the wetland based on its functions.*

- SC 4.1. Does an area within the wetland have organic soil horizons (i.e., layers of organic soil), either peats or mucks, that compose 16 in or more of the first 32 in of the soil profile? *See Appendix C for a field key to identify organic soils.*
Yes – Go to SC 4.3 No – Go to SC 4.2
- SC 4.2. Does an area within the wetland have organic soils, either peats or mucks, that are less than 16 in deep over bedrock or an impermeable hardpan such as clay or volcanic ash, or that are floating on top of a lake or pond?
Yes – Go to SC 4.3 No – Is not a bog for rating
- SC 4.3. Does an area within the wetland have more than 70% cover of mosses at ground level AND at least 30% of the total plant cover consists of species in Table 5?
Yes = **Category I bog** No – Go to SC 4.4
NOTE: If you are uncertain about the extent of mosses in the understory, you may substitute that criterion by measuring the pH of the water that seeps into a hole dug at least 16 in deep. If the pH is less than 5.0 and the plant species in Table 5 are present, the wetland is a bog.
- SC 4.4. Is an area with peats or mucks forested (> 30% cover) with subalpine fir, western red cedar, western hemlock, lodgepole pine, quaking aspen, Engelmann spruce, or western white pine, AND any of the species (or combination of species) listed in Table 5 provide more than 30% of the cover under the canopy?
Yes = **Category I bog** No – Go to SC 4.5
- SC 4.5. Do the species listed in Table 6 comprise at least 20% of the total plant cover within an area of peats and mucks?
Yes = **Is a Calcareous Fen for purpose of rating** No – Go to SC 4.6
- SC 4.6. Do the species listed in Table 6 comprise at least 10% of the total plant cover in an area of peats and mucks, AND one of the two following conditions is met:
— Marl deposits [calcium carbonate (CaCO_3) precipitate] occur on the soil surface or plant stems
— The pH of free water is ≥ 6.8 AND electrical conductivity is ≥ 200 $\mu\text{S}/\text{cm}$ at multiple locations within the wetland
Yes = **Is a Category I calcareous fen** No = **Is not a calcareous fen**

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SC 5.0. Forested Wetlands

Does the wetland have an area of forest rooted within its boundary that meets at least one of the following three criteria? *(Continue only if you have identified that a forested class is present in question H 1.1)*

- The wetland is within the 100 year floodplain of a river or stream
- Aspen (*Populus tremuloides*) represents at least 20% of the total cover of woody species
- There is at least $\frac{1}{4}$ ac of trees (even in wetlands smaller than 2.5 ac) that are "mature" or "old-growth" according to the definitions for these priority habitats developed by WDFW *(see definitions in question H3.1)*

Yes – Go to SC 5.1 No = **Not a forested wetland with special characteristics**

- SC 5.1. Does the wetland have a forest canopy where more than 50% of the tree species (by cover) are slow growing native trees *(see Table 7)?*
Yes = **Category I** No – Go to SC 5.2
- SC 5.2. Does the wetland have areas where aspen (*Populus tremuloides*) represents at least 20% of the total cover of woody species?
Yes = **Category I** No – Go to SC 5.3
- SC 5.3. Does the wetland have at least $\frac{1}{4}$ acre with a forest canopy where more than 50% of the tree species (by cover) are fast growing species *(see Table 7)?*
Yes = **Category II** No – Go to SC 5.4
- SC 5.4. Is the forested component of the wetland within the 100 year floodplain of a river or stream?
Yes = **Category II** No = **Not a forested wetland with special characteristics**

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Category of wetland based on Special Characteristics

Choose the highest rating if wetland falls into several categories

If you answered No for all types, enter "Not Applicable" on Summary Form

Appendix B: WDFW Priority Habitats in Eastern Washington

Priority habitats listed by WDFW (see complete descriptions of WDFW priority habitats, and the counties in which they can be found, in: Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife, 2008. Priority Habitat and Species List. Olympia, Washington. 177 pp. <http://wdfw.wa.gov/publications/00165/wdfw00165.pdf> or access the list from here: <http://wdfw.wa.gov/conservation/phs/list/>)

Count how many of the following priority habitats are within 330 ft (100 m) of the wetland: **NOTE:** *This question is independent of the land use between the wetland and the priority habitat.*

- **Aspen Stands:** Pure or mixed stands of aspen greater than 1 ac (0.4 ha).
- **Biodiversity Areas and Corridors:** Areas of habitat that are relatively important to various species of native fish and wildlife (full descriptions in WDFW PHS report).
- **Old-growth/Mature forests:** **Old-growth east of Cascade crest** – Stands are highly variable in tree species composition and structural characteristics due to the influence of fire, climate, and soils. In general, stands will be >150 years of age, with 10 trees/ac (25 trees/ha) that are > 21 in (53 cm) dbh, and 1-3 snags/ac (2.5-7.5 snags/ha) that are > 12-14 in (30-35 cm) diameter. Downed logs may vary from abundant to absent. Canopies may be single or multi-layered. Evidence of human-caused alterations to the stand will be absent or so slight as to not affect the ecosystem's essential structures and functions. **Mature forests** – Stands with average diameters exceeding 21 in (53 cm) dbh; crown cover may be less than 100%; decay, decadence, numbers of snags, and quantity of large downed material is generally less than that found in old-growth; 80-200 years old west and 80-160 years old east of the Cascade crest.
- **Oregon White Oak:** Woodland stands of pure oak or oak/conifer associations where canopy coverage of the oak component is important (full descriptions in WDFW PHS report p. 158 – see web link above).
- **Riparian:** The area adjacent to aquatic systems with flowing water that contains elements of both aquatic and terrestrial ecosystems which mutually influence each other.
- **Instream:** The combination of physical, biological, and chemical processes and conditions that interact to provide functional life history requirements for instream fish and wildlife resources.
- **Caves:** A naturally occurring cavity, recess, void, or system of interconnected passages under the earth in soils, rock, ice, or other geological formations and is large enough to contain a human.
- **Cliffs:** Greater than 25 ft (7.6 m) high and occurring below 5000 ft elevation.
- **Talus:** Homogenous areas of rock rubble ranging in average size 0.5 - 6.5 ft (0.15 - 2.0 m), composed of basalt, andesite, and/or sedimentary rock, including riprap slides and mine tailings. May be associated with cliffs.
- **Snags and Logs:** Trees are considered snags if they are dead or dying and exhibit sufficient decay characteristics to enable cavity excavation/use by wildlife. Priority snags have a diameter at breast height of > 12 in (30 cm) in eastern Washington and are > 6.5 ft (2 m) in height. Priority logs are > 12 in (30 cm) in diameter at the largest end, and > 20 ft (6 m) long.
- **Shrub-steppe:** A nonforested vegetation type consisting of one or more layers of perennial bunchgrasses and a conspicuous but discontinuous layer of shrubs (see Eastside Steppe for sites with little or no shrub cover).
- **Eastside Steppe:** Nonforested vegetation type dominated by broadleaf herbaceous flora (i.e., forbs), perennial bunchgrasses, or a combination of both. Bluebunch wheatgrass (*Pseudoroegneria spicata*) is often the prevailing cover component along with Idaho fescue (*Festuca idahoensis*), Sandberg bluegrass (*Poa secunda*), rough fescue (*F. campestris*), or needlegrasses (*Achnatherum* spp.).
- **Juniper Savannah:** All juniper woodlands.

Note: All vegetated wetlands are by definition a priority habitat but are not included in this list because they are addressed elsewhere.

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Appendix B

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Photographs



Photo 1: SP 1 in Wetland A, facing SE towards upland habitat.



Photo 2: SP 2 in upland habitat facing west towards Wetland A.



Photo 3: SP 3 in upland habitat facing south.



Photo 4: SP 4 in Wetland B facing west toward Stream 1.



Photo 5: SP 5 in upland habitat facing south toward Wetland B.



Photo 6: SP 6 in Wetland C facing west.



Photo 7: SP 7 in upland habitat facing north toward Wetland C.



Photo 8: SP 8 in Wetland D facing west.



Photo 9: SP 9 in upland habitat facing east.



Photo 10: Stream 1 facing SW.



Photo 11: Bed and bank of Steam 2.



Photo 12: SP 10 in upland habitat facing SE.



Photo 13: SP 11 in upland habitat facing north.



Photo 14: SP 12 in Wetland E facing NE toward Stream 2.



Photo 15: SP 13 in upland habitat facing west toward Wetland E and Stream 2.



Photo 16: SP 14 in upland habitat facing north.



Photo 17: SP 17 in Wetland F facing north.



Photo 18: SP 18 in upland habitat facing south toward Wetland F.



Photo 19: UVP1 in upland habitat facing north.



Photo 20: UVP3 in upland habitat facing NW.



Photo 21: UVP4 in upland habitat facing west.



Photo 22: UVP5 in upland habitat facing south.



Photo 23: UVP6 in upland habitat facing south.



Photo 24: Culvert 4, approximately 36 inches in diameter and made of brick.



Photo 25: Culvert 9, approximately 12 inches in diameter and made of PVC.



Photo 26: Culvert 10, approximately 12 inches in diameter and made of PVC.



Photo 27: Culvert 11, approximately 12 inches in diameter.

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Staff Qualifications



BRIDGET WOJTALA

Environmental Scientist II

Years with the firm

7

Years total

7

Professional registrations

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CAREER SUMMARY

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OTHER WSP EXPERIENCE

- **SR 432/411 Road Improvements, Longview, Washington:** environmental scientist responsible for assisting a professional wetland scientist in conducting a wetland delineation in accordance with the 2010 Regional Supplement to the Corps of Engineers Wetland Delineation Manual: Western Mountains, Valleys, and Coast Region and the preparation of an associated delineation report for SR 432/411 road improvements in Longview, WA. (2019 – Present)
- **State Route 503/502 Intersection and Shared-Use Pathway, Battle Ground, Washington:** environmental scientist responsible for assisting a professional wetland scientist in conducting a wetland delineation and environmental assessment in accordance with the 2010 Regional Supplement to the Corps of Engineers Wetland Delineation Manual: Western Mountains, Valleys, and Coast Region for a pathway project for the city of Battle Ground. Other responsibilities include the preparation of a city critical areas report. (2018 – Present)
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- **NE Lake Road and NE Everett Street Intersection Improvements, Camas, Washington:** environmental scientist responsible for assisting a professional wetland scientist in conducting a wetland delineation and habitat assessment in accordance with the 2010 Regional Supplement to the Corps of Engineers Wetland Delineation Manual: Western Mountains, Valleys, and Coast Region for an intersection improvements project for the city of Camas. Other responsibilities include the preparation of a city critical areas report. (2019 – Present)
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Environmental Scientist II

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- **Port of Kalama warehouse property in Kalama, Washington:** environmental scientist responsible for conducting a Phase I and II Environmental Site Assessment in accordance with ASTM E 1527-13 standards. Responsibilities included evaluating the potential risk and liability associated with dredged fill material on the site. Coordinated with driller to complete three sediment borings using direct-push drilling equipment. Collected continuous sediment samples from the borings to approximately 30 feet below ground surface or to groundwater for field screening. Submitted soil samples to analytical laboratory for chemical analysis. Collected and submitted groundwater samples from each boring. Prepared field logs for each exploration and recorded position of each exploration location using a GPS. (2019)
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- **US30: Kittridge – St. Johns, Portland, Oregon:** environmental scientist responsible for conducting a Hazardous Materials Corridor Study for this highway rehabilitation project, including performing a site reconnaissance to observe the site and adjacent properties, developing a photographic record of current site conditions, reviewing aerial photography, interviewing appropriate persons with knowledge of the site, and reviewing a search of federal, tribal, state, and local government databases (Environmental Data Resources report). Prepared and delivered a written summary of the draft and final Hazardous Materials Corridor Study in accordance with ASTM E 1527-13 and ODOT standards along with opinion and recommendations regarding the potential for contamination by hazardous substances at the site, provided as a PDF document. (2019 to present)
- **I-5 Coburg Interchange Design Project, Lane County, Oregon:** environmental scientist responsible for preparing a Modified Hazardous Materials Corridor Assessment (HMCA) to identify potential sources of contamination that could impact the project. HMCA was conducted in accordance with generally accepted environmental procedures as outlined in the Hazardous Waste Guide for Project Development, by the American Association of State Highway and Transportation Officials Special Committee on Environment, Archeology, and Historic Preservation. (2019 – Present)
- **New Fire Station, Stevenson, Washington:** environmental scientist responsible for assisting a professional wetland scientist in conducting a wetland delineation in accordance with the 2010 Regional Supplement to the Corps of Engineers Wetland Delineation Manual: Western Mountains, Valleys, and Coast Region and the preparation of an associated delineation report for the City of Stevenson's fire station site. (2019)



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Restoration at Ash Creek Forestry, Oregon. As a restoration technician for Ash Creek Forestry, Ms. Locke contributed to a number of projects geared toward restoring native habitats throughout northwestern Oregon. As part of this work, she identified and monitored native and invasive plants species; removed invasive plants using brush cutters, chainsaws, and machetes; planted native species in a number of ecosystems; and mixed and applied herbicides as necessary.

San Joaquin River Restoration Program, California. While working at the San Joaquin River Parkway Trust, Ms. Locke managed a \$2-million grant funded through this Bureau of Reclamation restoration program. Her responsibilities included safety training, oversight of invasive plant removal and restoration projects, environmental compliance, applying herbicide treatments, and obtaining field data. She also ensured projects complied with permits and reports in accordance with NEPA and CEQA, and maintained relationships with local landowners and regulatory agencies to facilitate smoother project process.

Rand Historical Mining Complex, Randsburg, California. Ms. Locke was part of the E & E sampling team that analyzed the arsenic levels on a Bureau of Land Management (BLM) mining complex. She assisted with taking X-ray fluorescence (XRF) of samples, auguring for samples, equipment decontamination between samples, and characterizing routes of potential contamination to adjacent properties.

Natural Gas Pipeline Assessment. For a confidential client, Ms. Locke is responsible for post-construction monitoring along the right-of-way of this 24-mile pipeline intended to provide fuel to a proposed natural gas-fired, combined-cycle power plant. She is currently involved with erosion control monitoring and has led multiple of these field monitoring efforts. Ms. Locke used her prior permitting experience to assist with deliverables and permit tracking.

Ruby Natural Gas Pipeline, Wetland and Steam Monitoring, Wyoming to Oregon. For El Paso Corporation (now Kinder Morgan, Inc.), Ms. Locke worked as part of a team to monitor post-construction restoration efforts along the Ruby pipeline in Nevada. Her duties included vegetation monitoring, data collection (igeotrack), characterization of site conditions, and soil sampling.

Proposed Solar Generation Facility, Nevada. Ms. Locke was part of the E & E team responsible for data collection and stream determination. She used her wetland delineation skills to assist with intermittent and ephemeral stream determination and characterization. She was also responsible for assisting with the jurisdictional permitting process for the USACE.

Carty Generating Station Natural Gas and Solar Expansion Assessment, Boardman, Oregon. For Portland General Electric (PGE), Ms. Locke was part of the E & E team responsible for conducting biological surveys along the proposed expansion area, including transmission lines and project buffers. Surveys specifically targeted sensitive and endangered species such as the Washington ground squirrel. Additional biological surveys included vegetation and habitat mapping, as well as wetland delineations. Ms. Locke assisted with deliverables associated with Oregon's Energy Facility Siting Council process.

Jordan Cove LNG Project (Previously Pacific Connector Gas Pipeline), Oregon. For Williams Pacific Connector Gas Pipeline, LLC. Ms. Locke supported wetland delineation surveys for the 200+-mile pipeline proposed to extend along the coast of the Pacific Northwest Region. She has delineated and documented wetlands and other waters spanning several ecoregions and is assisting in the preparation of the wetland delineation report.

Additional Training

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Employment:

Ecology and Environment, Inc., Portland, Oregon, 2015-present

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Proposed Solar Generation Facility, Nevada. *1004603.0029. Caballo Loco/Roadrunner Project Waters Delineation, Pahrump, Nevada. - 3/21/14 MSA-Company name, project data & reports; Company info for the term of the contract plus 5 yrs after term, unless public; notify if served subpoena so they can oppose. Written permission or becomes public; approval by legal.

Natural Gas Pipeline Assessment. *1003984.0002 GTN Carty Natural Gas Pipeline, Morrow County, Oregon - Prior written consent; 5 years following term. COMPLETELY Confidential; cannot use without expressed consent. *See project background file for more info. SQ e-mailed Eric White and Jim Thornton 08/26/15 about asking for permission.

Review Status: TO RL 09-17-15; 12/15; added Carty 4/16

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Waters of the State Memo and Concurrence



MEMO

TO: Lori White, Washington Department of Ecology
CC: Evan Carnes, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers
FROM: WSP
SUBJECT: Stream 3 Jurisdictional Status
DATE: October 27, 2020

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

WSP (formerly Ecology & Environment) performed a delineation of wetlands and other waters of the United States for Cypress Creek Renewables, LLC and Carriger Solar, LLC on the Carriger Solar Project (Project; see Attachment 1, Figure 1) from April 29 through May 1, 2020, and May 5, 2020. On October 9, 2020, WSP conducted a site visit with staff from Washington Department of Ecology (DOE), Lori White, and U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE), Evan Carnes, to verify boundaries of identified features.

DOE requests additional information for jurisdictional determination of one feature, Stream 3 (Attachment 1, Figure 2). WSP presents the following information utilizing Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), DOE, and USACE guidance in support of the feature not meeting criteria to be considered a water of the state.

RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

DOE has jurisdictional authority pursuant to Section 401 of the Clean Water Act (CWA) of surface waters of the state and waters of the state. Per WAC 173-226-030, a surface water of the state is defined as all water defined as “waters of the United States (WOTUS)” in 40. CRF 122.2 that are within the state of Washington. Waters of the state include surface waters of the state and waters of the state as defined in RCW 90.48.020. Waters of the state are defined as lakes, rivers, ponds, streams, inland waters, underground waters, salt waters, and all other surface waters and watercourses within the state of Washington.

Stream 3 is not a WOTUS. Stream 3 does not have a direct surface connection with a navigable water or tributary. The feature lacks evidence of intermittent flow and does not meet the definition of a WOTUS.

Stream 3 lacks evidence of regular or seasonal conveyance of surface or groundwater.

WSP staff did not observe hydrology during the field site visits of April 29 through May 1, 2020, and May 5, 2020, nor during the site visit of October 9, 2020. The feature is vegetated with upland ruderal grasses and shrub-steppe community, indicating a lack of water conveyance, seeps, springs, or wetlands. The feature lacks a defined bed and bank, and at times is lost within the landscape. The feature does not have a hydrological connection to any other water features,



nor does it receive or convey water to a culvert feature. The feature is not within 300 feet of an ordinary high water mark, nor is it within the width of a floodplain. See site photographs located in Attachment 2.

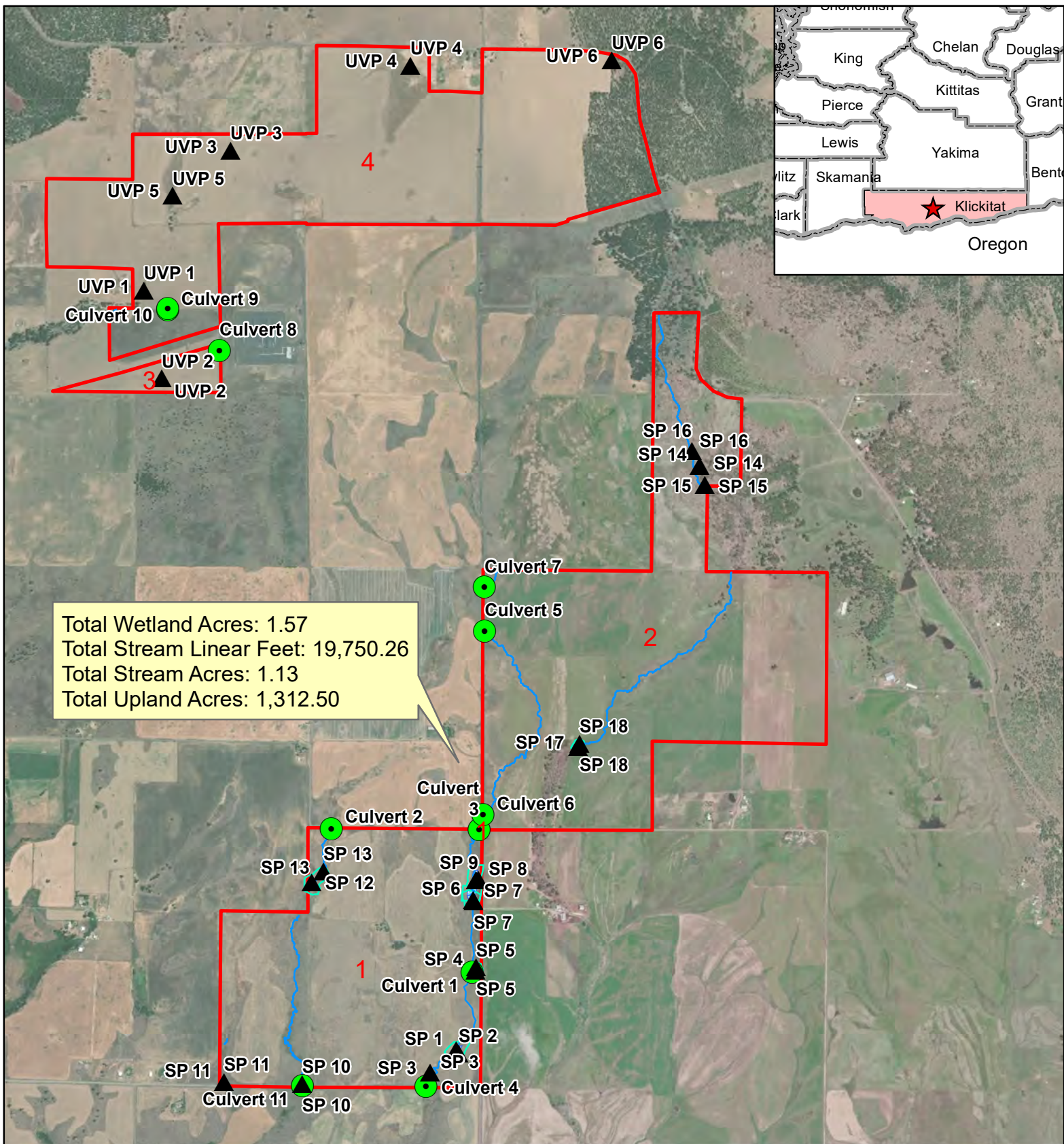
The location of Stream 3 is used as a wildlife trail. As discussed previously, Stream 3 lacks evidence of water conveyance. A path is evident periodically, though lost in the landscape at times. The line of the feature was walked in the north to south direction to the terminus of the project boundary at Fish Hatchery Road. At this location, a wildlife path is evident traversing the hillside and entering the project area at the path of Stream 3. See site photographs in Attachment 2.

CONCLUSION

Stream 3 does not meet the definition of a surface water of the state nor a water of the state. Any definition of the feature evident in the landscape has not been created by seasonal or intermittent flow of water, but instead by wildlife crossings. WSP, on behalf of Cypress Creek Renewables, LLC and Carriger Solar, LLC, respectfully requests confirmation of this determination.



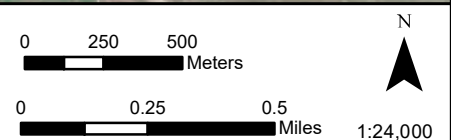
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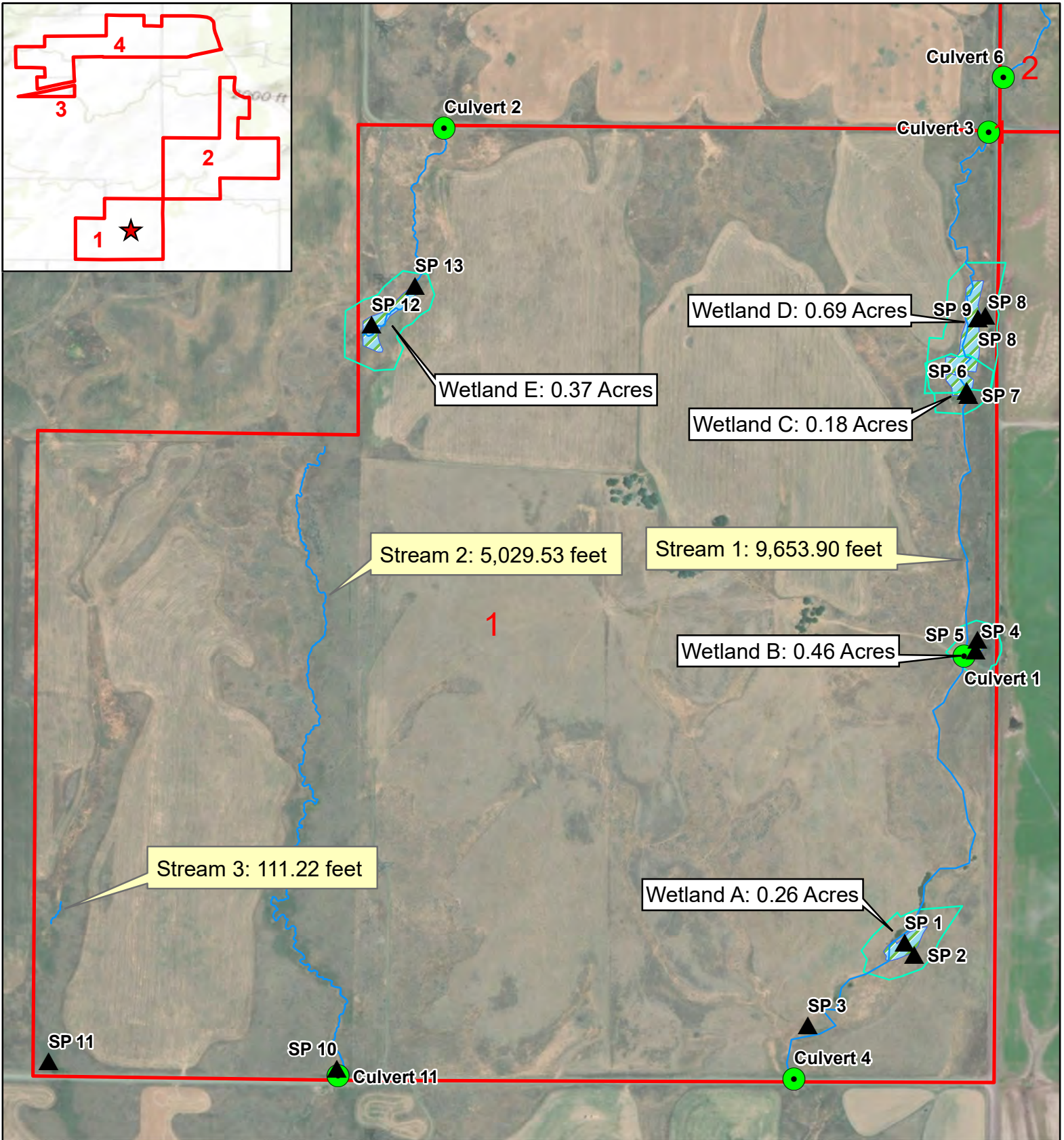
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- Project Boundary
- Wetlands
- Wetlands 75 ft Buffer
- Streams
- Culvert
- ▲ Upland Sampling Locations



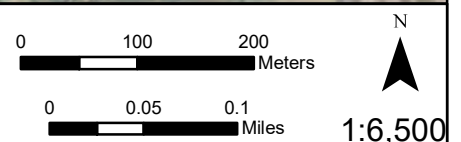
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ATTACHMENT 2



Photo 1: October 9, 2020, location of Stream 3, facing south toward Fish Hatchery Road. Wildlife path traversing uphill.



Photo 2: October 9, 2020, location of Stream 3, facing southwest. Lack of defined bed and bank.



Photo 3: October 9, 2020, vegetated "bed" of Stream 3.



Photo 4: October 9, 2020, location of Stream 3, facing south. Feature is lost within the landscape.



Photo 5: October 9, 2020, location of Stream 3 facing south.



Photo 6: Location of Stream 3 facing north. Photo taken at time of wetland delineation from April 29 through May 1, 2020, and May 5, 2020.



Photo 7: Location of Stream 3 facing southwest. Photo taken at time of wetland delineation from April 29 through May 1, 2020, and May 5, 2020.

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Good Morning Janelle,

Based on the information provided within the Stream 3 Jurisdictional Status, technical memo and observations from our site visit, I concur that Stream 3 is not a Water of the State and any impacts incurred to this area would not require a separate Administrative Order under RCW 90.48. Please let me know if you have any questions or comments.

Sincerely,

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Hi Lori,

Thank you for joining the site visit for the Carriger Solar Project earlier this month. Per our discussion in the field, I have attached a technical memo to support WSP's finding that Steam 3 is not a water of the State. Once you confirm your determination, we will update site maps accordingly, including revised site boundaries, for USACE and DOE determinations.

Thanks!

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1.0 INTRODUCTION

WSP performed an additional delineation of wetlands and waterbodies for Cypress Creek Renewables, LLC (CCR) at the location of the Carriger Solar, LLC project (Appendix A; Figure 1). This document supplements the prior wetland report prepared for this project and encompasses the expanded project area. The original project area consisted of 1,260 acres and the expanded project area is an additional approximately 1,000 acres near the city of Goldendale in Klickitat County, Washington (Appendix A; Figure 2). The project area is in Township 5 North, Range 16 East; Township 5 North, Range 15 East; Township 4 North, Range 15 East; and Township 4 North, Range 14 East near the city of Goldendale, Klickitat County, Washington. Parcels are located along State Route 142 (SR 142), Knight Road, Mesecher Road West, Fish Hatchery Road, Hatchery Lane, Hill Road, Butts Road, and Fairgrounds Road West. The project area is in the Middle Columbia River Basin (Hydrologic Unit Code 170701060303). The purpose of the project is to expand CCR's renewable energy footprint within Klickitat County.

The study area for this wetland and waterbodies delineation is approximately 1,000 acres in size, including a 1-mile long stretch of right-of-way along Knight Road that would be used for the power generation interconnection to the Bonneville Power Administration substation. The study area is composed primarily of agricultural and residential land uses. The Goldendale Fish Hatchery, owned and operated by the Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife (WDFW), is located on the western boundary of one of the parcels.

The wetlands and streams identified in the study area were delineated based on U.S Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) and Washington State Department of Ecology (Ecology) field protocols and supplements. A preliminary jurisdictional status is provided for the aquatic features described in this report. The field surveys were initially conducted under the 2020 Waters of the US (WOTUS) Definition. After the completion of field work, the definition of WOTUS changed in response to a review required by Executive Order 13990. In August 2021 the US District Court of Arizona vacated the Navigable Waters Protection Rule. In light of the court order, the USACE has moved to using the Pre-2015 Definition. The jurisdictional status for Waters of the US in this report has taken into consideration the vacated and remanded Navigable Waters Protection Rule and follows the Pre-2015 regulatory definition. The prior report has been reviewed and is still consistent with the Pre-2015 definition.

Nine wetlands were identified within the project area and account for approximately 12.83 acres; one wetland was identified outside of the project area and is approximately 17 acres from on-site observations and best professional judgment. Six streams cross the project area and account for an additional 35,725 linear feet of waterway within the project area (Appendix A; Figures 8a to 8e). The project is located within one ecoregion and was delineated using the Arid West Regional Supplement.

A total of nine wetlands (seven palustrine emergent wetlands and two scrub-shrub wetlands) and six surface waterbodies (unnamed streams) were identified and delineated during the delineation. The naming conventions were continued from the previous wetland report (E&E/WSP 2020) submitted for this project. Of the nine delineated wetlands, six are anticipated to be regulated under Federal jurisdiction and all nine are

anticipated to be under State and Local jurisdiction. Of the six surface waterbodies, all six are anticipated to be under Federal, State, and Local jurisdiction.

1.1 REGULATORY CONTEXT

The purpose of this report is to document known aquatic features, including wetlands and streams, within the study area consistent with federal, state, and local regulations and guidance. Any impacts to these resources will need to comply with these regulations. The following laws and regulations likely apply to wetland and stream resources within the project study area.

Table 1. Summary of Applicable Federal, State, and Local Policies

Law/Regulation	Summary
<i>Federal</i>	
Clean Water Act Section 404	Section 404 regulates the discharge or excavation of fill in jurisdictional waters and wetlands. The USACE administers oversight of these activities and issues Section 404 permits for activities occurring within waters of the United States.
Clean Water Act Section 401	The issuance of a federal permit, such as a Section 404 permit, must comply with state water quality standards. In Washington the Department of Ecology has been delegated 401 review authority for federal permits outside of federal and tribal areas.
<i>State</i>	
Hydraulic Code	WDFW administers the hydraulic code through issuance of hydraulic project approvals (HPAs). Project activities occurring within waters of the state, or adjacent areas defined by the code, that have the potential to impact fish life or fish habitat are subject to review WDFW.
<i>Local</i>	
Klickitat County Critical Area Ordinance No. 0080613	The County regulates activities occurring within designated Critical Areas and their associated buffers. Wetlands and streams are considered Critical Areas.

The following sections describe the delineation methods, site characteristics, survey results, and an overview of the applicable aquatic resource regulations.

2.0 METHODS

2.1 WETLAND DELINEATION

The project is located within the Middle Columbia River Basin ecoregion. Guidance for determining wetland boundaries in this ecoregion follows the 2008 *Regional Supplement to the Corps of Engineers Wetland Delineation Manual: Arid West Region* (Version 2.0) (USACE 2010) and the 2008 *Regional Supplement to the Corps of Engineers Wetland Delineation Manual: Arid West Region* (Version 2.0) (USACE 2008). According to the regional supplements, wetlands are defined as

... areas that are inundated or saturated by surface or ground water at a frequency and duration sufficient to support, and that under normal circumstances do support, a prevalence of vegetation typically adapted

for life in saturated soil conditions. Wetlands generally include swamps, marshes, bogs, and similar areas.

The regional supplement outlines a three parameters approach to making wetland determinations: hydrophytic vegetation, hydric soils, and wetland hydrology.

- Hydrophytic vegetation consists of plants that, because of morphological, physiological, and/or reproductive adaptations, have the ability to grow, effectively compete, reproduce, and/or persist in anaerobic soil conditions. Plants can range from Obligate Wetland (OBL), Facultative Wetland (FACW), Facultative (FAC), Facultative Upland (FACU), and Obligate Upland (UPL); based on their probability of presence in wetland areas.
- Hydric soils are soils that are saturated, flooded, or ponded long enough during the growing season to develop anaerobic conditions.
- Wetland hydrology is present when an area is inundated, or the water table is within 12 inches of the surface for at least 14 consecutive days of the growing season at a minimum frequency of 5 years in 10. The growing season is defined as the portion of the year when soil temperature at 12 inches below the soil surface is greater than biologic zero (5 degrees C).

Except in atypical situations as defined in the regional supplement, evidence of a minimum of one positive wetland indicator from each of the three parameters (hydrology, vegetation, and soil) must be found in order to make a positive wetland determination.

WSP scientists used the following information to develop a preliminary indication of where potential wetlands and waterbodies might exist and to aid on-site data collection.

- Klickitat County Interactive Mapping Program GIS Database
- Hydric Soils List (U.S. Department of Agriculture [USDA] Natural Resources Conservation Service [NRCS]) State Soil Data Access (SDA) Hydric Soils List (USDA-NRCS 2021a)
- National List of Plant Species that Occur in Wetlands: Northwest Region 9 (Reed 1988)
- National Wetland Plant List (Lichvar et al. 2016) (USACE 2021)
- Preliminary Monthly Climate Data: Vancouver (National Weather Service, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration [NOAA])
- Supplement to List of Plant Species that Occur in Wetlands: Northwest Region 9 (Reed 1993)
- U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS) National Wetlands Inventory (NWI) Online Mapper (USFWS 2021)
- Washington State Wetland Rating System for Eastern Washington—Revised (Hruby 2014) (2014 rating system)

- Web Soil Survey (USDA-NRCS 2021b)
- Wetlands Delineation Manual, Technical Report Y-87-1 (USACE 1987)

On July 26 through July 29, 2021, two WSP wetland scientists, Brandon Stimac and Bridget Wojtala, conducted a field investigation for the wetland delineation and assessment. Their qualifications are included in Appendix D. The scientists used the methodology discussed in the regional supplements, as well as technical guidance and documentation issued by USACE and the Washington State Department of Ecology (Ecology), to observe any visible wetland conditions. The scientists used a routine on-site wetland delineation method. They walked the entire site looking for visible indicators of wetland conditions. Once they had identified the general location of a wetland area, the scientists took paired data plots in areas that represented the conditions of the uplands and wetlands. In general, each plot was chosen in a uniform topographic position that was representative of a single plant community. Paired plots were generally located approximately 5 to 10 feet apart to minimize the margin of error. The scientists inspected the soils at each data point to a depth of 16 inches (or more, depending on conditions) to determine the presence or absence of hydric soil characteristics and/or wetland hydrology. Wetland and ordinary high water mark (OHWM) flagging was not hung due to the active agricultural activities and grazing occurring on the site.

The wetlands were classified according to the USFWS classification system (Cowardin et al. 1979) and the hydrogeomorphic (HGM) classification system (Adamus 2001) based on observations made in the field. In addition, the scientists recorded hydrologic conditions, soils, and vegetation at 18 sample plots; WSP used a GPS unit to record the sample plot locations and wetland boundaries. A soil pit was excavated in each sample plot. The wetlands were rated using the revised wetland rating form for eastern Washington developed by Ecology (Ecology 2014). Wetlands can range from Category IV (disturbed and easily replaceable) to Category I (rarest and most sensitive to disturbance), with scores ranging from 9 to 27 points. The wetlands in the study area are discussed in greater detail in Section 4.0.

2.2 ORDINARY HIGH WATER MARK DETERMINATION

Guidance for the OHWM determination came from Determining the Ordinary High Water Mark for Shoreline Management Act Compliance in Washington State (Ecology 2016). The OHWM is defined as follows.

... that mark...found by examining the bed and banks of a body of water and ascertaining where the presence and action of waters are so common and usual, and so long continued in all ordinary years, as to mark upon the soil a character distinct from that of the abutting upland, in respect to vegetation as that condition exists on June 1, 1971, as it may naturally change thereafter, or as it may change thereafter in accordance with permits issued by a local government or Washington Department of Ecology (Ecology); Provided that in any area where the

OHWM cannot be found, ... the OHWM adjoining fresh water shall be the line of mean higher water.¹

Waters identified and delineated were then typed as S (Shoreline), F (Fish-Bearing), Np (Non-Fish-Bearing Perennial), or Ns (Non-Fish-Bearing Seasonal); based on Washington Administrative Code (WAC) 222-16-030 and the WDNR definitions.

During the July 2021 site visits, the WSP scientists marked the OHWM of two Type F/Ns streams and four Type Ns streams within the study area. The scientists used a combination of field indicators (e.g., vegetation distribution, sediment lines on vegetation or other fixed objects, scour lines, etc.) to determine the OHWM for each stream. OHWM locations were recorded with a GPS unit.

2.3 JURISDICTIONAL DITCH ASSESSMENT

The existing ditches throughout the study area were reviewed based on Washington State Department of Transportation (WSDOT) guidance to determine if they are regulated under Section 404 of the Clean Water Act. Ditch sections can be identified through the review of site plans, including culverts, stormwater features, previous as-builts, and from boots on the ground surveys. The field assessment consists of filling out a ditch recommendation field form provided from WSDOT; this includes the location of the ditch, start and end point of the ditch, the depth and width, and any jurisdictional or non-jurisdictional features. The jurisdictional and non-jurisdictional features include describing the flow regimes, whether the ditch is located within or adjacent to a jurisdictional wetland or water, or whether the ditch is excavated in an upland and draining uplands. Once these features are described, a preliminary jurisdictional determination can be made and will be provided to the USACE for review.

3.0 SITE CHARACTERISTICS

The study area is located in rural Klickitat County, Washington, northwest of the city of Goldendale, Washington, and includes all or portions of the following parcels: 04151200000300, 04151100000600, 04151300000100, 04151400000100, 04151400000300, and 04151400000600 (Appendix A, Figures 1, 2, and 3).

Topographically, the areas within the parcels have elevation ranges from approximately 1,500 to 2,000 feet. The majority of the study area contains gentle rolling topography with one steeper slope located on the western portion of the study area (Appendix A, Figure 4).

The area is composed primarily of agricultural and residential land uses, with some forestland on the eastern portions of the subject property. Vegetation species noted throughout the study area include black hawthorn (*Crataegus douglasii*), reed canarygrass (*Phalaris arundinacea*), spike rush (*Elocharis palustris*), Kentucky bluegrass (*Poa pratensis*), broad leaf cat-tail (*Typha latifolia*), Himalayan blackberry (*Rubus*

¹ Revised Code of Washington (RCW) 90.58.030(2)(b) and WAC 173-22-030(6)

armeniacus), Pacific Willow (*Salix lucida*), and Oregon ash (*Fraxinus latifolia*), among others.

All streams flow in a general south-southwest direction through the study area. Several of the streams cross Knight Road, Fish Hatchery Road, Hill Road, and SR 142 through culverts. Portions of Stream 1 are located within the right-of-way portion of the study area along Knight Road.

3.1 PRECIPITATION AND HYDROLOGY

The growing season for Klickitat County is 331 days, starting on February 11 and ending on December 1. This growing season is based on 28 degrees F, 5 out of 10 years in the soil survey of Klickitat County (USDA-NRCS 1998). According to the USACE wetland delineation manual, flooding, ponding, or saturation in the upper 12 inches of the soil profile for a period of at least 14 consecutive days during the growing season is indicative of wetland hydrology.

Table 2 displays precipitation data for the 14 days prior to and including the site visit on July 26, 2021. The information comes from the NRCS National Water and Climate Center meteorological station in Goldendale, Washington (Goldendale 4.2 NNW), within 5 miles of the study area.

Table 2. Precipitation Data for 14 Days Prior to July 26, 2021 Site Visit

Date	Rain (inches)	Date	Rain (inches)
July 11	0.00	July 20	0.00
July 12	0.00	July 21	0.00
July 13	0.00	July 22	0.00
July 15	0.00	July 23	0.00
July 16	0.00	July 24	0.00
July 17	0.00	July 25	0.00
July 18	0.00	July 26	0.00
July 19	0.00	Total:	0.00

Source: NRCS 2021

In addition to the daily rainfall total for the 14 days prior to the July 2021 site visit, the WSP wetland scientists reviewed historical precipitation data available on the NOAA website (NOAA 2021). That data shows the following.

- For the two weeks preceding and through the site visit on July 26, 2021, a total of 0.00 inch of precipitation was observed.
- During the month of July 2021 through the July 26, 2021 site visit, a total 0.00 inch of precipitation was observed, 0.19 inches below the historical normal of 0.19 inches.

The site conditions were drier than the historical normal at the time of the site visit, as there was a declared drought for all of eastern Washington. These conditions were

considered appropriate for conducting wetland delineation, the timing does present additional challenges to consider during field investigations. Dry and senesced vegetation can be difficult to identify. Drought conditions can obscure primary indicators and require investigators to use two or more secondary indicators of hydrology. Soils can be difficult to sample in drought areas due to a hardpan formed in the dry clay/silt soils common in the project area.

During the site investigation, the scientists documented the presence or absence of field indicators for wetland hydrology in each of the 18 soil pits excavated in the sample plots. The data recorded included the depth of surface water, depth of inundation, depth to water table, and/or soil saturation, when found, as well as primary and secondary indicators of wetland hydrology, including redoximorphic features along living roots, high water table, and saturation. Hydrologic inputs for the study area likely come from direct precipitation, overland flow from adjacent uplands, and a seasonally high water table.

During the site visit, the presence of redoximorphic features in the soil was identified as a primary hydrology indicator in most wetland sample plots. Adjacent upland sample plots generally exhibited no primary or secondary indicators of hydrology.

3.2 MAPPED SOILS

Review of the USDA-NRCS Web Soil Survey identifies the following 12 soil mapping units within the study area (Appendix A, Figure 5). The descriptions are excerpted from the Klickitat County soil survey (USDA-NRCS 1998).

- ***Leidl extremely cobbly ashy loam, 2 to 30 percent slopes (25A)*** – The Leidl series consists of well drained soils with depths to lithic bedrock from 20 to 40 inches. The capacity of the most limiting soil layer to transmit water is moderately high. Available water capacity through the entire soil profile is very low at about 2.9 inches. The major use for these soils is livestock grazing. According to the state SDA hydric soil list (USDA-NRCS 2021a), this soil is not listed as hydric in Klickitat County.
- ***Rockly-Lorena complex, 2 to 15 percent slopes (30A)*** – The Rockly-Lorena series consists of well drained soils with depths to lithic bedrock from 5 to 12 inches. The capacity of the most limiting soil layer to transmit water is moderately high. Available water capacity through the entire soil profile is very low at about 1.1 inches. The major uses for these soils are livestock grazing and crop production. According to the state SDA hydric soil list (USDA-NRCS 2021a), this soil is not listed as hydric in Klickitat County.
- ***Rockly-Lorena complex, 2 to 15 percent slopes, extremely stony (30B)*** – The Rockly-Lorena series consists of well drained soils with depths to lithic bedrock from 5 to 12 inches. The capacity of the most limiting soil layer to transmit water is moderately high. Available water capacity through the entire soil profile is very low at about 0.8 inches. The major uses for these soils are livestock grazing and crop production. According to the state SDA hydric soil list (USDA-NRCS 2021a), this soil is not listed as hydric in Klickitat County.

- ***Goldendale silt loam, basalt substratum, 2 to 5 percent slopes (69)*** – The Goldendale silt loam, basalt substratum series consists of well drained soils with depths to lithic bedrock from 40 to 60 inches. The capacity of the most limiting soil layer to transmit water is moderately high. Available water capacity through the entire soil profile is moderate at about 8.8 inches. The major uses for these soils are livestock grazing and crop production. According to the state SDA hydric soil list (USDA-NRCS 2021a), this soil is not listed as hydric in Klickitat County.
- ***Goldendale silt loam, basalt substratum, 5 to 10 percent slopes (69A)*** – The Goldendale silt loam, basalt substratum series consists of well drained soils with depths to lithic bedrock from 40 to 60 inches. The capacity of the most limiting soil layer to transmit water is moderately high. Available water capacity through the entire soil profile is moderate at about 8.8 inches. The major uses for these soils are livestock grazing and crop production. According to the state SDA hydric soil list (USDA-NRCS 2021a), this soil is not listed as hydric in Klickitat County.
- ***Goldendale silt loam, 2 to 5 percent slopes (93)*** – The Goldendale silt loam series consists of well drained soils with no restrictive features within a depth of 60 inches. The capacity of the most limiting soil layer to transmit water is moderately high. Available water capacity through the entire soil profile is high at more than 72 inches. The major uses for these soils are livestock grazing and crop production. According to the state SDA hydric soil list (USDA-NRCS 2021a), this soil is not listed as hydric in Klickitat County.
- ***Goldendale silt loam, 15 to 30 percent slopes (93C)*** – The Goldendale silt loam series consists of well drained soils with no restrictive features within a depth of 60 inches. The capacity of the most limiting soil layer to transmit water is moderately high. Available water capacity through the entire soil profile is high at more than 72 inches. The major uses for these soils are livestock grazing and crop production. According to the state SDA hydric soil list (USDA-NRCS 2021a), this soil is not listed as hydric in Klickitat County.
- ***Lorena silt loam, 2 to 5 percent slopes (94)*** – The Lorena silt loam series consists of well drained soils with depths to lithic bedrock from 20 to 40 inches. The capacity of the most limiting soil layer to transmit water is moderately high. Available water capacity through the entire soil profile is high at more than 72 inches. The major uses for these soils are livestock grazing and crop production. According to the state SDA hydric soil list (USDA-NRCS 2021a), this soil is not listed as hydric in Klickitat County.
- ***Konert silt loam, 0 to 2 percent slopes (95A)*** – The Konert silt loam series consists of somewhat poorly drained soils with no restrictive features within a depth of 60 inches. The capacity of the most limiting soil layer to transmit water is moderately low. Available water capacity through the entire soil profile is high at about 10.5 inches. The major uses for these soils are livestock grazing and crop production. According to the state SDA hydric soil list (USDA-NRCS 2021a), this soil is listed as hydric in Klickitat County.

- ***Blockhouse silt loam, 0 to 5 percent slopes (96)*** – The Blockhouse silt loam series consists of moderately well drained soils with no restrictive features within a depth of 60 inches. The capacity of the most limiting soil layer to transmit water is moderately high. Available water capacity through the entire soil profile is high at about 11.7 inches. The major uses for these soils are livestock grazing and crop production. According to the state SDA hydric soil list (USDA-NRCS 2021a), this soil is listed as hydric in Klickitat County.
- ***Munset stony silt loam, 0 to 5 percent slopes (97)*** – The Munset stony silt loam series consists of poorly drained soils with depths to lithic bedrock from 20 to 40 inches. The capacity of the most limiting soil layer to transmit water is very low. Available water capacity through the entire soil profile is low at about 4.2 inches. The major use for these soils is livestock grazing. According to the state SDA hydric soil list (USDA-NRCS 2021a), this soil is listed as hydric in Klickitat County.
- ***Setnum silt loam, 0 to 3 percent slopes (97A)*** – The Setnum silt loam series consists of somewhat poorly drained soils with depths to lithic bedrock from 20 to 40 inches. The capacity of the most limiting soil layer to transmit water is moderately low. Available water capacity through the entire soil profile is moderate at about 6.9 inches. The major use for these soils is livestock grazing. According to the state SDA hydric soil list (USDA-NRCS 2021a), this soil is listed as hydric in Klickitat County.

The locations of the 12 soil types within the study area were obtained from the USDA-NRCS Web Soil Survey (USDA-NRCS 2021b), and the hydric classifications came from the soil data access list of hydric soils (USDA-NRCS 2021a). The WSP scientists examined each soil pit for hydric soil indicators and recorded its soil profile and characteristics (matrix color, redoximorphic features, texture, and other features). Observations of soil conditions during the site visit were generally consistent with the map units described and identified in the USDA-NRCS soil survey.

3.3 MAPPED WETLANDS

Review of the NWI online mapper shows the presence of freshwater emergent wetlands (PEM), riverine habitat, freshwater ponds, and a freshwater forested/shrub wetland (PFO/SS) (Appendix A, Figure 6). These wetland features are mapped throughout the study area in various parcels.

The presence of wetlands generally matches the NWI online mapper (Appendix A, Figure 6).

These mapped wetland areas were investigated during the site visits and were either verified or not present. Most NWI mapped features were present, with a few not present, and others not shown on the NWI maps.

3.4 VEGETATION

The site is dominated by agricultural fields used to produce wheat and hay with some isolated and small emergent and scrub-shrub vegetated areas. These areas were typically

associated with the wetlands and streams that occur throughout the site. The vegetation within the wetland and riparian areas includes Oregon ash (FACW), Pacific willow (FACW), reed canarygrass (FACW), broad-leaf cat-tail (OBL), spike rush (OBL), black hawthorn (FAC), Kentucky bluegrass (FAC), Himalayan blackberry (FAC), among other plant species.

The vegetation within the adjacent agricultural and fringe upland areas includes common wheat (*Triticum aestivum* L.), Kentucky bluegrass, rough fescue (*Festuca altaica*), and Himalayan blackberry, among other plant species.

3.5 MAPPED HABITAT

The Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife (WDFW) Priority Habitat and Species (PHS) on the Web database identifies aquatic habitat, oak/pine forest, freshwater emergent, scrub-shrub, and forested wetlands, rainbow trout (*Oncorhynchus mykiss*), and resident coastal cutthroat trout (*Oncorhynchus clarki*) (WDFW 2021a) within the study area and shown in Figure 7 of Appendix A.

4.0 WETLANDS

WSP's investigation of hydrology, soils, and vegetation identified nine wetland features within the study area and one outside of the study area (see Table 3, Appendix A, Figures 8A to 8E). Appendix B contains 18 wetland determination forms that show the data collected during the site visit at paired sample plots. The numbers assigned to the data sheets correspond to the sample plots, which were numbered sequentially SP1 to SP18 and the Eastern Washington wetland rating forms are included in Appendix C. The Categories assigned to the wetlands from the rating forms are used to establish protective buffer distances that are regulated under the Critical Areas Ordinance of Local jurisdictions, in this case by Klickitat County. Impacts to wetland buffers (i.e. critical fish and wildlife conservation areas) from construction of the project would require mitigation as described under the Klickitat County Critical Areas Ordinance, see Section 6 for more information.

Of the nine wetlands that were identified, Wetland G, Wetland K, Wetland L, Wetland M, Wetland O, and Wetland P received a Category III rating and Wetland H, Wetland I, and Wetland J received a Category IV rating. Figures 8A through 8E in Appendix A provide an overview of the locations of the delineated wetlands within the study area. Figure 9 in Appendix A provide representative photos of the study area taken during the field investigation.

Table 3. Identified Wetlands

Wetland	Wetland Classification			Area of Wetlands within Study Area (acres)	Sample Plots	Preliminary Jurisdictional Status
	Cowardin ^a	HGM ^b	Wetland Rating ^c			
Wetland G	PEM/PSS	Riverine	III	7.09	14 and 15	Federal/State/Local
Wetland H	PEM	Depressional	IV	0.04	8 and 9	State/Local
Wetland I	PEM	Depressional	IV	0.11	10 and 11	State/Local
Wetland J	PEM	Depressional	IV	0.05	12 and 13	State/Local

Wetland	Wetland Classification			Area of Wetlands within Study Area (acres)	Sample Plots	Preliminary Jurisdictional Status
	Cowardin ^a	HGM ^b	Wetland Rating ^c			
Wetland K	PEM/PSS	Riverine	III	0.02	4 and 5	Federal/State/Local
Wetland L	PEM/PSS	Riverine	III	0.39	6 and 7	Federal/State/Local
Wetland M	PEM/PSS	Depressional	III	3.73	NA	Federal/State/Local
Wetland O	PEM/PSS	Riverine	III	0.77	NA	Federal/State/Local
Wetland P	PSS	Depressional	III	0.63	NA	Federal/State/Local

Source: Wetland Rating System for Eastern WA 2014

Notes:

a Cowardin et al. (1979) or NWI class based on vegetation: PEM = palustrine emergent, PSS = palustrine scrub-shrub.

b HGM classification according to Hruby (2014).

c Wetland rating according to Hruby (2014).

4.1 WETLAND G

Wetland G (7.09 acres) is in the southwest portion of the study area, northeast of the southern terminus of Hill Road. This wetland spans the western portion of Parcel 04151400000300. The wetland starts to the north at a culvert crossing on Hill Road and continues south to where it exits the property and was observed to continue to where it ends at a culvert on SR 142. This riverine wetland includes areas that are dominated by emergent wetland plant species, including mainly reed canarygrass (*Phalaris arundinacea*) with some soft-stemmed bulrush (*Schoenoplectus tabernaemontani*) and pacific willow (*Salix lucida*). Hydrology is supported by Stream 1, precipitation, and a seasonally high water table. Indicators of hydrology within Wetland G include surface water (A1), high water table (A2), and saturation (A3).

Soils within Wetland G include a thick layer of a black (10YR 2/2) mucky loam/clay matrix to a depth of 18 plus inches with the last 4 inches containing 15 percent gray depletions (10YR4/2) in the matrix and pore linings. This soil profile meets the criteria for the thick dark surface (A12) hydric soil indicator. Wetland G was rated under the riverine HGM classification as a Category III rating with a score of 17.

The jurisdictional status of this wetland shown in Table 3 is based on the wetland being adjacent to a WOTUS constituting a Federal nexus for jurisdiction under the Clean Water Act, it is a water of the state of Washington, and is a Critical Area as defined under Klickitat County Code.

4.2 WETLAND H

Wetland H (0.04 acres) is in the southwestern portion of the study area, in the northwest portion of Parcel 04151400000600. This depressional wetland is dominated by emergent plant species, including reed canarygrass, rough bentgrass (*Agrostis scabra*), and cutleaf teasel (*Dipsacus laciniatus*). Hydrology is supported by overland flow from adjacent uplands, direct precipitation, and a likely seasonally high water table. Indicators of hydrology within Wetland H includes drainage patterns (B10), dry-season water table (C2), saturation visible on aerial imagery (C9), and it passes the FAC-neutral test (D5).

Soils within Wetland H include a layer of a dark gray (10YR 3/2) silt loam matrix to 6 inches, a dark gray (10YR 3/2) with 5 percent brown (10YR 5/6) redox concentrations in the matrix and along pore linings, to a depth of 12 inches, and 15 percent redox concentrations from 12 to 16 inches. This soil profile meets the criteria for the redox dark surface (F6) hydric soil indicator. Wetland H was rated under the depressional HGM classification as a Category IV rating with a score of 15.

This wetland is isolated and doesn't meet the definition of an adjacent wetland under the WOTUS definition which precludes Federal jurisdiction. This wetland is a water of the state of Washington, and is a Critical Area as defined under Klickitat County Code.

4.3 WETLAND I

Wetland I (0.11 acres) is in the southwestern portion of the study area, in the southwest portion of Parcel 04151400000600. This depressional wetland is dominated by emergent plant species, including reed canarygrass (*Phalaris arundinacea*) and spiny rush (*Juncus acutus*). Hydrology is supported by overland flow from adjacent uplands, direct precipitation, and a likely seasonally high water table. Indicators of hydrology within Wetland I includes surface soil cracks (B6), drainage patterns (B10), dry-season water table (C2), saturation visible on aerial imagery (C9), and it passes the FAC-neutral test (D5).

This wetland is isolated and doesn't meet the definition of an adjacent wetland under the WOTUS definition which precludes Federal jurisdiction. This wetland is a water of the state of Washington, and is a Critical Area as defined under Klickitat County Code.

Soils within Wetland I include a layer of a dark gray (10YR 3/2) silt loam matrix to 8 inches, a dark gray (10YR 3/2) with 10 percent brown (10YR 5/6) redox concentrations in the matrix and along pore linings, to a depth of 12 inches, and 5 percent redox concentrations and 10 percent gray (10YR 6/2) depletions from 12 to 16 inches. This soil profile meets the criteria for the redox dark surface (F6) hydric soil indicator. Wetland I was rated under the depressional HGM classification as a Category IV rating with a score of 15.

4.4 WETLAND J

Wetland J (0.05 acres) is in the southwestern portion of the study area, in the southwest portion of Parcel 04151400000600. This depressional wetland is dominated by emergent plant species, including reed canarygrass (*Phalaris arundinacea*) and sedges (*Carex .spp*). Hydrology is supported by overland flow from adjacent uplands, direct precipitation, and a seasonally high water table. Indicators of hydrology within Wetland J includes surface water (A1), high water table (A2), saturation (A3), surface soil cracks (B6), biotic crust (B12), thin muck surface (C7), drainage patterns (B10), dry-season water table (C2), saturation visible on aerial imagery (C9), and it passes the FAC-neutral test (D5).

Soils within Wetland J include a layer of black (10YR 2/1) muck from 0 to 1 inch and a reddish-brown (10YR 5/6) reduced matrix with gray (10YR 5/2) depletions from 1 to 12 inches plus. This soil profile meets the criteria for the depleted matrix (F3) and redox

dark surface (F6) hydric soil indicator. Wetland J was rated under the depressional HGM classification as a Category IV rating with a score of 15.

This wetland is isolated and doesn't meet the definition of an adjacent wetland under the WOTUS definition which precludes Federal jurisdiction. This wetland is a water of the state of Washington, and is a Critical Area as defined under Klickitat County Code.

4.5 WETLAND K

Wetland K (0.02 acres) is in the southwestern portion of the study area, in the southern portion of Parcel 04151400000600. The wetland was observed to continue south out of the study area on the opposite side of SR 142. This riverine wetland includes areas that are dominated by emergent wetland plant species, including reed canarygrass and broad-leaf cat-tail. A Type F stream flows through the wetland. Hydrology is supported by the stream, overland flow from adjacent uplands and roads, direct precipitation, and a seasonally high water table. Indicators of hydrology within Wetland K include surface water (A1), high water table (A2), and saturation (A3).

Soils within Wetland K include a layer of a dark gray (10YR 3/2) silty loam matrix from 0 to 4 inches. The underlying layer consists of a dark gray (10YR 3/2) matrix with 5 percent reddish-brown (10YR 5/6) redox concentrations in the matrix, to a depth of 16 plus inches. This soil profile meets the criteria for the redox dark surface (F6) hydric soil indicator. Wetland K was rated under the riverine HGM classification as a Category III rating with a score of 17.

The jurisdictional status of this wetland shown in Table 3 is based on the wetland being adjacent a WOTUS constituting a Federal nexus for jurisdiction under the Clean Water Act, it is a water of the state of Washington, and is a Critical Area as defined under Klickitat County Code.

4.6 WETLAND L

Wetland L (0.39 acres) is in the southwestern portion of the study area, in the southern portion of Parcel 04151400000600. This riverine wetland includes areas that are dominated by emergent and scrub-shrub wetland plant species, including reed canarygrass and Drummond's rush. A Type F stream flows through the wetland. Hydrology is supported by the stream, overland flow from adjacent uplands, direct precipitation, and a seasonally high water table. Indicators of hydrology within Wetland L include high water table (A2) and saturation (A3).

Soils within Wetland L include a layer of a dark gray (10YR 3/2) silty loam matrix from 0 to 6 inches. The underlying layer consists of a dark gray (10YR 3/2) matrix with 10 percent reddish-brown (10YR 5/6) redox concentrations in the matrix and pore linings, to a depth of 16 plus inches. This soil profile meets the criteria for the redox dark surface (F6) hydric soil indicator. Wetland L was rated under the riverine HGM classification as a Category III rating with a score of 17.

The jurisdictional status of this wetland shown in Table 3 is based on the wetland being adjacent a WOTUS constituting a Federal nexus for jurisdiction under the Clean Water

Act, it is a water of the state of Washington, and is a Critical Area as defined under Klickitat County Code.

4.7 WETLAND M

Wetland M (3.73 acres) is in the western-central portion of the study area, located just east of the fish hatchery. The wetland was not able to be investigated in detail due to safety concerns associated with observed bear activity (fresh scat and tracks of an adult and two cubs) and visual confirmation from a nearby landowner. The wetland was observed to continue southwest out of the study area onto the fish hatchery property. This depressional wetland includes areas that are dominated by emergent and scrub-shrub wetland plant species, including reed canarygrass, broad-leaf cat-tail, black hawthorn, pacific willow, ponderosa pine to the south, and apple trees. Two Type Ns streams flows through the wetland. Hydrology is supported by the streams, the fish hatchery, overland flow from adjacent uplands, direct precipitation, and a seasonally high water table. Indicators of hydrology were observed at a distance within the cat-tail dominated portion of Wetland M that include standing water. The wetland meets the following indicators of hydrology: surface water (A1), high water table (A2), and saturation (A3).

Soils were unable to be sampled due to the safety issues. Wetland M was rated under the depressional HGM classification as a Category III rating with a score of 18.

The jurisdictional status of this wetland shown in Table 3 is based on the wetland being adjacent a WOTUS constituting a Federal nexus for jurisdiction under the Clean Water Act, it is a water of the state of Washington, and is a Critical Area as defined under Klickitat County Code.

4.8 WETLAND N

Wetland N (16.93 acres) is in the western-central portion of the study area, located just southeast of the fish hatchery. The wetland was not able to be investigated due to a lack of right of entry onto the property. The wetland was observed to exhibit similar characteristics as Wetlands G and M. This assumed riverine wetland includes areas that are dominated by emergent and scrub-shrub wetland plant species, including reed canarygrass, broad-leaf cat-tail, black hawthorn, and pacific willow. A Type F stream flows through the wetland. Hydrology is supported by the stream, the fish hatchery, overland flow from adjacent uplands, direct precipitation, and a seasonally high water table. Indicators of hydrology were observed at a distance with western end of the wetland along Hill Road to include flowing and standing water prior to passing through the culvert under Hill Road. This meets the following indicators of hydrology: surface water (A1), high water table (A2), and saturation (A3).

Soils were unable to be sampled due to the right of entry issues. Wetland N was rated by professional judgment based on observed characteristics as a Category II rating.

The jurisdictional status of this wetland shown in Table 3 is based on the wetland being adjacent a WOTUS constituting a Federal nexus for jurisdiction under the Clean Water Act, it is a water of the state of Washington, and is a Critical Area as defined under Klickitat County Code.

4.9 WETLAND O

Wetland O (0.77 acres) is in the central portion of the study area, in the southwestern portion of Parcel 04151200000300. The wetland was not investigated due to safety concerns associated with a large animal that would not leave the forested thicket in the wetland. This riverine wetland includes areas that are dominated by emergent and scrub-shrub wetland plant species, including black hawthorn and pacific willow. A Type Ns stream flows through the wetland. Hydrology is supported by the stream, overland flow from adjacent uplands and roads, direct precipitation, and a seasonally high water table. Indicators of hydrology were not noted during the field visit but are assumed to be drainage patterns and dry-season water table.

Soils were unable to be sampled due to safety issues. Wetland O was rated by professional judgment based on observed characteristics as a Category III rating.

The jurisdictional status of this wetland shown in Table 3 is based on the wetland being adjacent a WOTUS constituting a Federal nexus for jurisdiction under the Clean Water Act, it is a water of the state of Washington, and is a Critical Area as defined under Klickitat County Code.

4.10 WETLAND P

Wetland P (0.63 acres) is in the central portion of the study area, on the southern edge of Parcel 04151100000600 and the northern edge of Parcel 04151400000100. The wetland was not investigated due to safety concerns associated with a large animal that would not leave the central portion of the thicket. This depressional wetland includes areas that are dominated by scrub-shrub wetland plant species, including black hawthorn, Pacific willow, and western serviceberry (*Amelanchier alnifolia*). A Type Ns stream flows through the wetland. Hydrology is supported by the stream, overland flow from adjacent uplands and roads, direct precipitation, and a seasonally high water table. Indicators of hydrology were not noted during the field visit but are assumed to be drainage patterns and dry-season water table.

Soils were unable to be sampled due to the safety issues. Wetland P was rated by professional judgment based on observed characteristics as a Category III rating.

The jurisdictional status of this wetland shown in Table 3 is based on the wetland being adjacent a WOTUS constituting a Federal nexus for jurisdiction under the Clean Water Act, it is a water of the state of Washington, and is a Critical Area as defined under Klickitat County Code.

5.0 STREAMS

During the July 2021 site visit, the WSP scientists marked the OHWM of portions of six unnamed streams (Streams 1, 2, 4, 6, 7, and 8) within the study area. All of the streams lacked large woody debris and, other than a few fragmented scrub-shrub/forested islands, there is little to no shading and riparian habitat within the project area. Riparian vegetation consisted of mostly senesced grasses and wheat throughout the project area. Stream channels were highly constrained and channelized between agricultural areas, with little to no gravels or cobbles and consisted of mainly fine sediments and angular

rocks likely removed from the adjacent farmlands. One segment of Stream 1 below the fish hatchery had flowing water and the rest were dry. Streams are shown in Figures 8a through 8e in Appendix A.

5.1 STREAM 1

According to the Washington State Department of Natural Resources (DNR) Forest Practices Application Mapping Tool, Stream 1 is mapped as a Type Ns water from its headwaters to just upstream of the fish hatchery and a Type F water all the way to its confluence with the Little Klickitat River (DNR 2021). The stream flows generally southwest, passes through nine culverts and has four wetlands associated with this stream throughout the project area (Wetlands G, N, O, and P). The upstream portions of this stream vary in width from 1 to 2 feet, contains a lot of sinuosity, and has areas of braided channels. The downstream sections below the fish hatchery varies in width from 2 to 4 feet and is linear throughout Parcel 04151400000300. This stream is heavily disturbed throughout its entire reach, with most of the area adjacent to the stream in agricultural land use.

This water meets the definition of a WOTUS (Pre-2015 definition) as it is shown to be an intermittent water (WDNR 2021) and is a tributary to a traditional navigable water, this constitutes a Federal nexus for jurisdiction under the Clean Water Act, it is a water of the state of Washington, and is a Critical Area as defined under Klickitat County Code.

5.2 STREAM 2

According to the DNR Forest Practices Application Mapping Tool, Stream 2 is mapped as a Type Ns water from its headwaters to its confluence with Stream 1 (DNR 2021). The stream passes through two culverts and has one wetland (Wetland M) associated with this stream throughout the project area. The stream flows generally southwest, varies in width from 1 to 2 feet and contains minimal sinuosity throughout the project area. This stream is heavily disturbed throughout the project area, with most of the area adjacent to the stream in agricultural land use.

This water meets the definition of a WOTUS (Pre-2015 definition) as it is shown to be an intermittent water (WDNR 2021) and is a tributary to a traditional navigable water, this constitutes a Federal nexus for jurisdiction under the Clean Water Act, it is a water of the state of Washington, and is a Critical Area as defined under Klickitat County Code.

5.3 STREAM 4

According to the DNR Forest Practices Application Mapping Tool, Stream 4 is mapped as a Type Ns water from its headwaters to its confluence with Stream 6 (DNR 2021). The stream passes through four culverts and has no wetlands associated with it. The stream flows generally southwest, varies in width from 1 to 3 feet and contains a lot of sinuosity throughout its entire reach. This stream is heavily disturbed throughout the project area, with most of the area adjacent to the stream in agricultural land use.

This water meets the definition of a WOTUS (Pre-2015 definition) as it is shown to be an intermittent water (WDNR 2021) and is a tributary to a traditional navigable water, this

constitutes a Federal nexus for jurisdiction under the Clean Water Act, it is a water of the state of Washington, and is a Critical Area as defined under Klickitat County Code.

5.4 STREAM 6

According to the DNR Forest Practices Application Mapping Tool, Stream 6 is mapped as a Type Ns water from its headwaters to where the stream switches in direction from west to south in Parcel 04151400000600, where it is then mapped as a Type F water to its confluence with Stream 1 (DNR 2021). The stream passes through two culverts and has two wetlands (Wetlands K and L) associated with it. The stream flows generally southwest, varies in width from 1 to 3 feet and contains a lot of sinuosity throughout its entire reach. Where the water type switches to Type F, there is a section of sheet flow where there is no defined bed or bank. This stream is heavily disturbed throughout the project area, with most of the area adjacent to the stream in agricultural land use.

This water meets the definition of a WOTUS (Pre-2015 definition) as it is shown to be an intermittent water (WDNR 2021) and is a tributary to a traditional navigable water, this constitutes a Federal nexus for jurisdiction under the Clean Water Act, it is a water of the state of Washington, and is a Critical Area as defined under Klickitat County Code.

5.5 STREAM 7

According to the DNR Forest Practices Application Mapping Tool, Stream 7 is mapped as a Type Ns water from its headwaters to its confluence with Stream 1 (DNR 2021). There is one culvert and no wetlands associated with it. The stream flows generally southwest, is 1 to 2 feet in width, and contains a lot of sinuosity. This stream is heavily disturbed throughout the project area, with most of the area adjacent to the stream in agricultural land use.

This water meets the definition of a WOTUS (Pre-2015 definition) as it is shown to be an intermittent water (WDNR 2021) and is a tributary to a traditional navigable water, this constitutes a Federal nexus for jurisdiction under the Clean Water Act, it is a water of the state of Washington, and is a Critical Area as defined under Klickitat County Code.

5.6 STREAM 8

According to the DNR Forest Practices Application Mapping Tool, Stream 8 is mapped as a Type Ns water from its headwaters to its confluence with Stream 1 (DNR 2021). The stream passes through no culverts and has one wetland associated with it within the project area. The stream flows generally southwest, varies in width from 1 to 2 feet and contains a minimal sinuosity with areas of sheet flow. This stream is heavily disturbed throughout the project area, with most of the area adjacent to the stream in agricultural land use other than the last quarter of its reach being with a scrub-shrub/forested area prior to flowing into Stream 1.

This water meets the definition of a WOTUS (Pre-2015 definition) as it is shown to be an intermittent water (WDNR 2021) and is a tributary to a traditional navigable water, this constitutes a Federal nexus for jurisdiction under the Clean Water Act, it is a water of the state of Washington, and is a Critical Area as defined under Klickitat County Code.

5.7 JURISDICTIONAL DITCHES

No jurisdictional ditches were identified, with one having evidence of past flows that was reviewed and called out. Other sections of “ditches” were seen along Knight Road, but none had signs of flow or features that would meet the definition of a WOTUS, Water of the State (WOTS), or Critical Area.

6.0 REGULATORY REVIEW

This section provides an overview of regulatory requirements as they pertain to wetlands, streams, riparian areas, aquatic habitats, and PHS within the study area.

6.1 WETLANDS

The study area is located within Klickitat County, and some site wetlands are adjacent to waters of the United States (WOTUS) and waters of the state (WOTS). Impacts to site waters and wetlands identified in this report would require the review and approval of Klickitat County, WDFW, Ecology, and the USACE under applicable regulations identified in Table 1.

The wetland section of the ordinance (KCC Ordinance No. 0080613, Chapter III) designates and classifies wetland areas, and provides measures to protect their functions and values. The ordinance establishes protective buffers associated with wetlands and specifies that certain permits or approvals must be obtained for projects containing wetlands and/or their buffers. KCC ordinance requires the use of Ecology’s Washington State Wetland Rating System for Eastern Washington (Hruby 2014) to determine a wetland’s category, which is based on its score for habitat, water quality, and hydrologic functions. WSP scientists rated the nine wetlands using the approved system based on their functions and special characteristics. Wetlands G, K, L, M, O, and P received Category III ratings, while wetlands H, I, and J received Category IV ratings. See Appendix C for the rating forms for the wetlands. Section 6.3 summarizes the buffer requirements and includes Table 3, which shows the characteristics and buffer widths of each wetland.

6.2 WATERBODIES

The study area is located within the County’s jurisdiction and is, therefore, subject to the critical fish/wildlife habitat conservation areas chapter of the County’s Critical Areas ordinance (KCC Ordinance No. 0080613, Chapter IV). As previously mentioned in Section 6.1, on-site waters meeting WOTUS and WOTS definitions, with impacts occurring to these waters will be regulated by the WDFW (Hydraulic Code), Ecology (Section 401), and USACE (Section 404 of the Clean Water Act). This chapter provides standards for classification and designation of critical fish/wildlife habitat conservation areas and provides guidance for protecting those critical fish/wildlife habitat conservation areas necessary to maintain the public health, safety, and welfare.

According to KCC Ordinance No. 0080613, Chapter IV.4.2(A), critical fish habitat conservation areas include WOTS, which are lakes, rivers, ponds, streams, inland waters, underground waters, saltwaters, and all other surface waters and watercourses within the jurisdiction of the state of Washington, as classified in WAC 222-16-031 or its successor.

The DNR indicates that there are three Type F streams (Streams 1, 2, and 6) in the study area (DNR 2021). However, the WDFW Fish Passage database (WDFW 2021b) shows that one of the Type F waters doesn't support fish use (Stream 2) and the scientists agreed with Streams 1 and 6 being fish-bearing.

As described in the last paragraph of Section 2.3, Section 404 Corps jurisdictional waters were initially identified in the field based on the 2020 WOTUS Definition and later reviewed to reflect the current Pre-2015 WOTUS Definition.

6.3 BUFFER WIDTHS

The County specifies the widths of protective buffers for wetlands (KCC Ordinance No. 0080613, Chapter III.3.3(A)) and fish habitat conservation areas (KCC Ordinance No. 0080613, Chapter IV.4.3(B)). Under the code, whichever ordinance is more protective is the one that will be used to address the protection and mitigation of the resource. The buffers of wetlands and fish habitat conservation areas are discussed below.

6.3.1 Wetland Buffers

The County specifies the widths of protective buffers for wetlands (KCC Ordinance No. 0080613, Chapter III.3.3(A)) based on wetland category and special characteristics. All wetland buffers are to be measured horizontally outward from the delineated wetland boundary, or in the case of a stream with no adjacent wetlands, the OHWM as surveyed in the field. Wetlands H, I, and J received Category IV ratings. Wetlands G, K, L, M, O, and P received a Category III rating. All nine wetlands require a 75-foot buffer.

Table 4. Summary of Wetland Classification, Rating, and Buffer Width

Wetland	HGM	Wetland Rating	Habitat Score	Buffer Width	Jurisdiction
Wetland G	Riverine	III	4	75	Federal/State/Local
Wetland H	Depressional	IV	3	75	State/Local
Wetland I	Depressional	IV	3	75	State/Local
Wetland J	Depressional	IV	3	75	State/Local
Wetland K	Riverine	III	5	75	Federal/State/Local
Wetland L	Riverine	III	5	75	Federal/State/Local
Wetland M	Depressional	III	5	75	Federal/State/Local
Wetland O	Riverine	III	5	75	Federal/State/Local
Wetland P	Depressional	III	5	75	Federal/State/Local

Source: Wetland Rating System for Eastern Washington, 2014 and KCC Critical Areas Ordinance

6.3.2 Critical Fish and Wildlife Habitat Conservation Areas

According to KCC Ordinance No. 0080613, Chapter IV, the Critical Fish and Wildlife Habitat Conservation Areas extend outward on the horizontal plane from the OHWM, or from the top of bank if the OHWM cannot be identified. The buffers range from 200 feet for state shorelines, 150 feet for Type F waters, 50 feet for Type Np waters, and 25 feet for Type Ns waters. Critical Fish and Wildlife Habitat Conservation Areas also include areas where federal or state endangered, threatened, or sensitive species are known to

occur, habitats of local importance defined under KCC Ordinance No. 0080613, Chapter II of the Critical Areas Code, and areas designated by the DNR as state natural area preserves and natural resource conservation areas. Table 5 below summarizes the stream types and buffer widths.

Table 5. Summary of Stream Typing and Buffer Width

Stream	Type	Buffer Width ¹	Jurisdiction
1	F/Ns	150/25	Federal/State/Local
2	Ns	25	Federal/State/Local
4	Ns	25	Federal/State/Local
6	F/Ns	150/25	Federal/State/Local
7	Ns	25	Federal/State/Local
8	Ns	25	Federal/State/Local

¹ – Streams with multiple buffer widths have water-type breaks along their length based on field observations.
Source: DNR Stream Typing and KCC Critical Areas Ordinance

Stream's 1 and 6 both have water type breaks within the Study Area. Stream 1's water type break is due to the loss of perennial flow upstream of the fish hatchery and its bankfull width reduces to below 3 feet and becomes ditched throughout its upstream reach through farmland. Stream 6's water type break is due to a natural barrier of a waterfall and scour pit where the Stream 4 and 6 come to a confluence.

7.0 CONCLUSIONS

WSP's assessment determined the existence and extent of jurisdictional wetlands and waterbodies within the study area as they are defined and regulated by the USACE, Ecology, and the County. Nine wetlands (Wetlands G through P, excluding Wetland N), six streams, and one non-jurisdictional ditch were delineated and assessed within the study area.

Any fill placed within jurisdictional wetlands or streams would require a Section 404 permit through USACE, a Section 401 permit through Ecology, a Hydraulic Project Approval through WDFW, and Critical Areas review from the County before project activities could commence. Additionally, the County may require the submittal and approval of an application for a Critical Areas permit for any impacts to the associated wetland buffers or habitat conservation area buffers within the study area (KCC Ordinance No. 0080613, Chapter IV). Any required mitigation will be based on impact quantities and will be determined during the permitting processes.

Finally, it should be noted that the wetland and waterbodies boundaries and classifications in this report were determined using the most appropriate field techniques and best professional judgment of the WSP wetland scientists; Brandon Stimac and Bridget Wojtala, based on conditions observed during field investigations. Wetland conditions can change over time and future delineations may be needed if an agency determines conditions have changed. The County, Ecology, WDFW, and USACE have the final authority in the determination of the boundaries, categories, and jurisdictional status of wetlands and/or waterbodies under their respective jurisdictions. Therefore,

WSP recommends submitting this delineation and assessment report to these agencies for their concurrence before beginning any development activities that would affect the wetlands, waterbodies, and/or buffers on this site.

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9.0 LIST OF ACRONYMS AND ABBREVIATIONS

CCR	Cypress Creek Renewables, LLC
County, the	Klickitat County (agency)
DNR	Washington State Department of Natural Resources
Ecology	Washington State Department of Ecology
FAC	facultative wetland
FACW	facultative wetland
HGM	hydrogeomorphic
KCC	Klickitat County Code
NA	not applicable
NOAA	National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration
NRCS	Natural Resources Conservation Service
NWI	National Wetlands Inventory
OBL	obligate wetland
OHWM	ordinary high water mark
PEM	palustrine emergent
PHS	priority habitat and species
PSS	palustrine scrub-shrub
RCW	Revised Code of Washington
SDA	Soil Data Access
SR 142	State Route 142
USACE	U.S. Army Corps of Engineers
USDA	U.S. Department of Agriculture
USFWS	U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service
WAC	Washington Administrative Code
WDFW	Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife
WSDOT	Washington State Department of Transportation
WOTS	waters of the state
WOTUS	waters of the United States

APPENDIX A

FIGURES

Legend



Unincorporated Klickitat County

Goldendale



Aerial Basemap is from ESRI and not spatially correct.

Wetland and Stream Delineation Report

Project Name:
Carriger Solar, LLC

In: Unincorporated Klickitat County
At: 45°50'29.74"N 120°52'59.48"W
County of: Klickitat State of: Washington

Figure 1: Vicinity Map



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Legend



Unincorporated Klickitat County

Unincorporated Klickitat County

Fish Hatchery Road

Fish Hatchery

Hill Road

Knight Road

Fairgrounds Road

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Goldendale

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Figure 2: Project Site



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0 0.25 0.5 0.75 1
Miles

Legend



Parcels

Unincorporated Klickitat County

Hill Road

Fish Hatchery Road

Fish Hatchery

Knight Road

Fairgrounds Road

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04151200000300

04151400000100

04151300000100

04151400000300

04151400000600

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Figure 3: Parcel Map




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Feet

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 Study Area

Unincorporated Klickitat County

Fish Hatchery Road

Fish Hatchery

Unincorporated Klickitat County

Fairgrounds Road

Hill Road

Knight Road

Creek

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Figure 4a: Site Topography

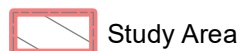


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Legend



Unincorporated Klickitat County

Knight Road

Powerline

Powerline

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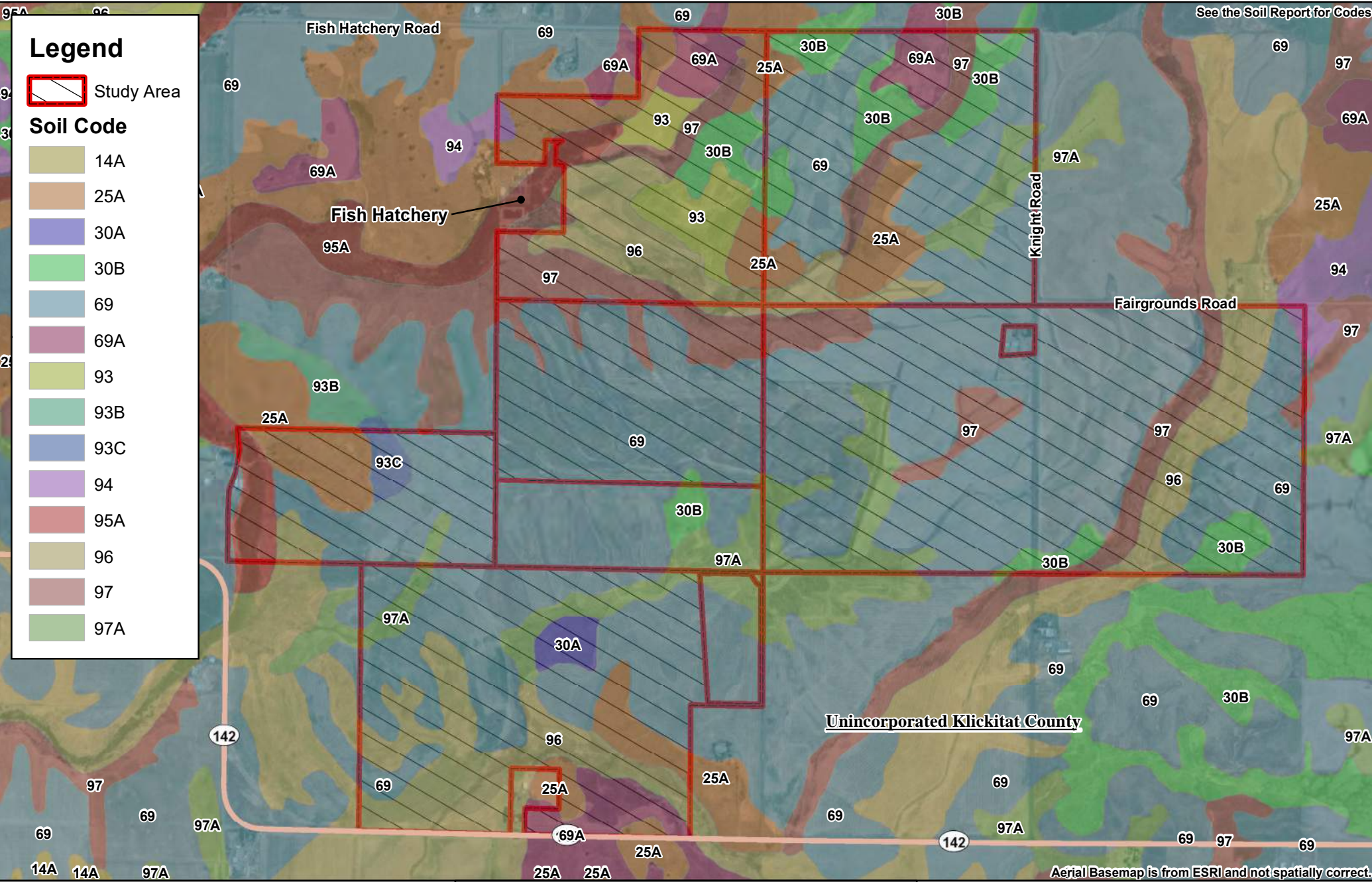
Figure 4b: Site Topography



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Wetland and Stream Delineation Report

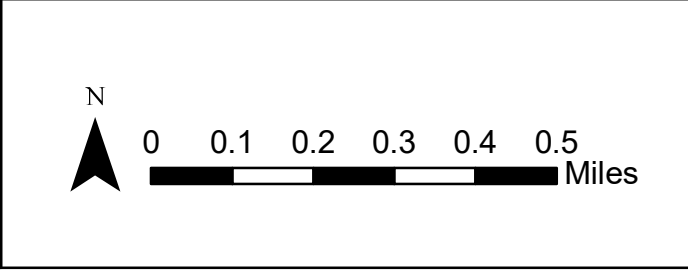
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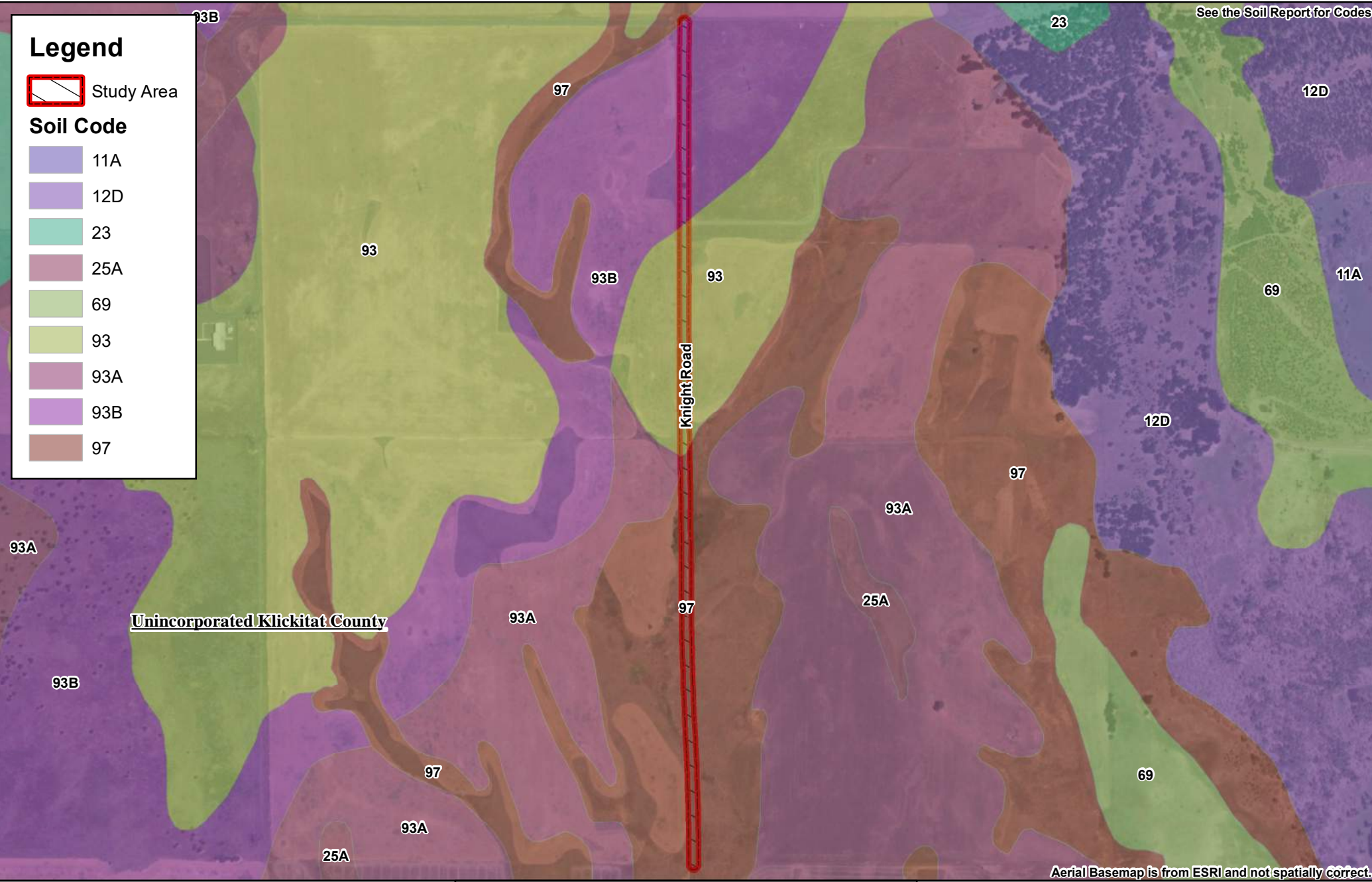
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Figure 5a: Soils Map

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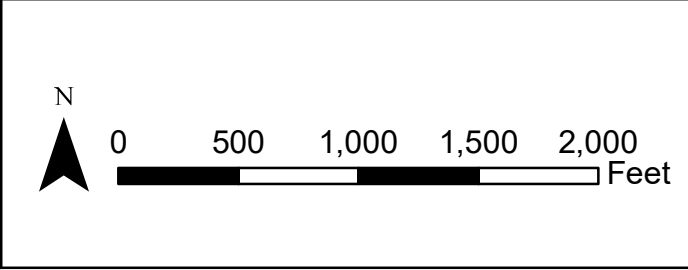
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Figure 5b: Soils Map





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Legend

 Study Area

Wetland Type

-  Freshwater Emergent Wetland
-  Freshwater Forested/Shrub Wetland
-  Freshwater Pond
-  Streams

Fish Hatchery Road

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Knight Road

Fairgrounds Road

Fish Hatchery

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Figure 6a: USFWS National Wetland Inventory Map



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Study Area

Wetland Type

 Freshwater Emergent Wetland

 Freshwater Pond

 Streams

Unincorporated Klickitat County

Powerline

Powerline

Knight Road

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Figure 6b: USFWS National Wetland Inventory Map



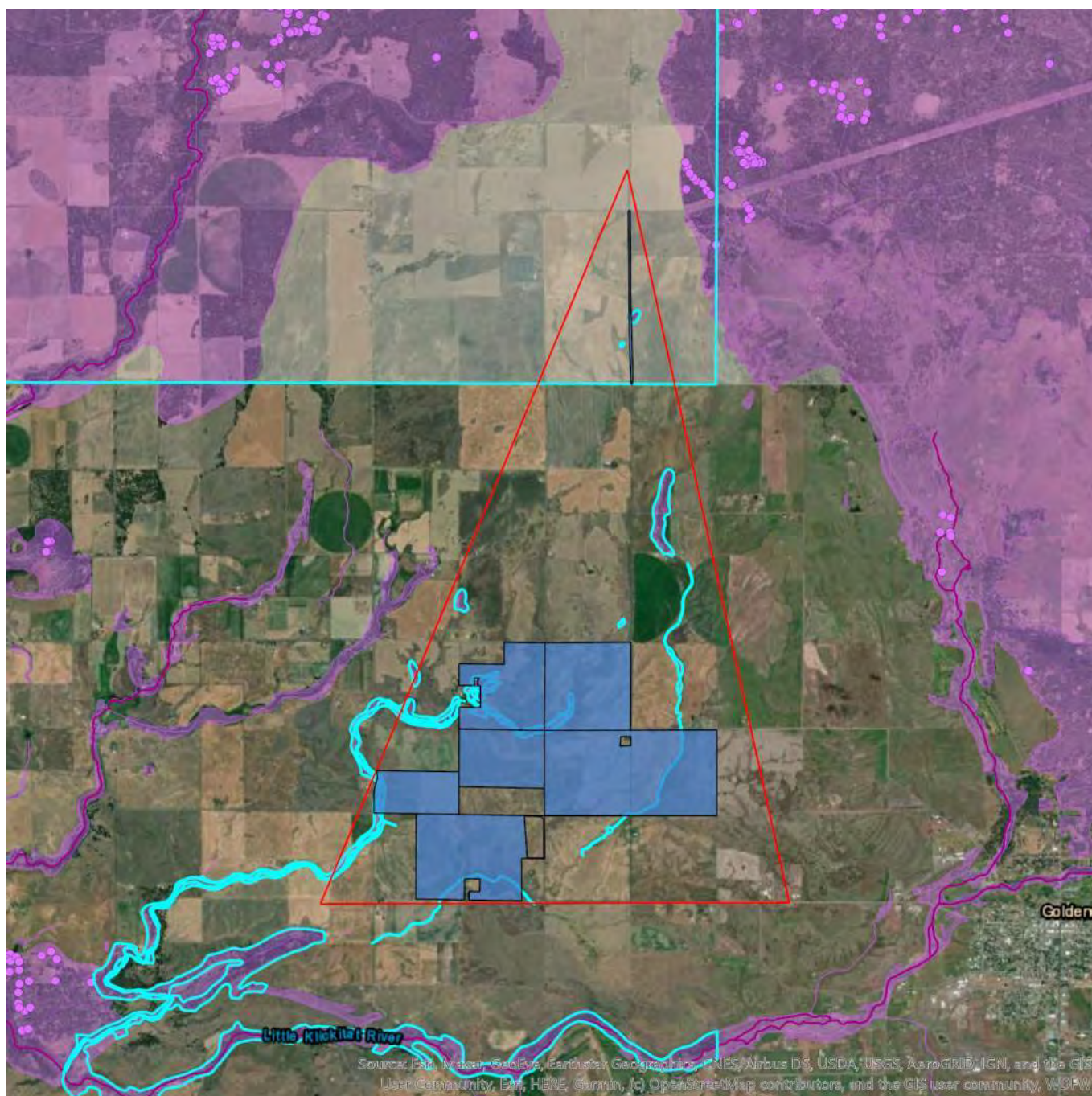
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Priority Habitats and Species on the Web



Report Date: 08/24/2021

PHS Species/Habitats Overview:

Northern Spotted Owl doesn't have any primary constituent elements present within the project area. No old growth or late seral forest characteristics were noted during field work.

Occurrence Name	Federal Status	State Status	Generalized Location
Resident Coastal Cutthroat	N/A	N/A	No
Rainbow Trout	N/A	N/A	No
Freshwater Emergent Wetland	N/A	N/A	No
Freshwater Forested/Shrub Wetland	N/A	N/A	No
Oak Forest	N/A	N/A	No
Oak/Pine Mixed Forest	N/A	N/A	No
Northern Spotted Owl	Threatened	Endangered	Yes

PHS Species/Habitats Details:

Resident Coastal Cutthroat	
Scientific Name	<i>Oncorhynchus clarki</i>
Priority Area	Occurrence/Migration
Site Name	Spring Creek
Accuracy	NA
Notes	LLID: 1209417458101, Fish Name: Cutthroat Trout, Run Time: Unknown or not Applicable, Life History: Resident
Source Record	5492
Source Dataset	SWIFD
Federal Status	N/A
State Status	N/A
PHS Listing Status	PHS Listed Occurrence
Sensitive	N
SGCN	N
Display Resolution	AS MAPPED
More Info	http://wdfw.wa.gov/wlm/diversty/soc/soc.htm
Geometry Type	Lines

Rainbow Trout	
Scientific Name	<i>Oncorhynchus mykiss</i>
Priority Area	Occurrence/Migration
Site Name	Spring Creek
Accuracy	NA
Notes	LLID: 1209417458101, Fish Name: Rainbow Trout, Run Time: Unknown or not Applicable, Life History: Resident
Source Record	5493
Source Dataset	SWIFD
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State Status	N/A
PHS Listing Status	PHS Listed Occurrence
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SGCN	N
Display Resolution	AS MAPPED
More Info	http://wdfw.wa.gov/wlm/diversty/soc/soc.htm
Geometry Type	Lines

Rainbow Trout	
Scientific Name	<i>Oncorhynchus mykiss</i>
Priority Area	Occurrence/Migration
Accuracy	NA
Notes	LLID: 1208945458404, Fish Name: Rainbow Trout, Run Time: Unknown or not Applicable, Life History: Resident
Source Record	5329
Source Dataset	SWIFD
Federal Status	N/A
State Status	N/A
PHS Listing Status	PHS Listed Occurrence
Sensitive	N
SGCN	N
Display Resolution	AS MAPPED
More Info	http://wdfw.wa.gov/wlm/diversty/soc/soc.htm
Geometry Type	Lines

Rainbow Trout	
Scientific Name	<i>Oncorhynchus mykiss</i>
Priority Area	Occurrence/Migration
Accuracy	NA
Notes	LLID: 1208945458404, Fish Name: Rainbow Trout, Run Time: Unknown or not Applicable, Life History: Resident
Source Record	5330
Source Dataset	SWIFD
Federal Status	N/A
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Sensitive	N
SGCN	N
Display Resolution	AS MAPPED
More Info	http://wdfw.wa.gov/wlm/diversty/soc/soc.htm
Geometry Type	Lines

Resident Coastal Cutthroat	
Scientific Name	<i>Oncorhynchus clarki</i>
Priority Area	Occurrence/Migration
Accuracy	NA
Notes	LLID: 1208945458404, Fish Name: Cutthroat Trout, Run Time: Unknown or not Applicable, Life History: Resident
Source Record	5327
Source Dataset	SWIFD
Federal Status	N/A
State Status	N/A
PHS Listing Status	PHS Listed Occurrence
Sensitive	N
SGCN	N
Display Resolution	AS MAPPED
More Info	http://wdfw.wa.gov/wlm/diversty/soc/soc.htm
Geometry Type	Lines

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Priority Area	Occurrence/Migration
Accuracy	NA
Notes	LLID: 1208945458404, Fish Name: Cutthroat Trout, Run Time: Unknown or not Applicable, Life History: Resident
Source Record	5328
Source Dataset	SWIFD
Federal Status	N/A
State Status	N/A
PHS Listing Status	PHS Listed Occurrence
Sensitive	N
SGCN	N
Display Resolution	AS MAPPED
More Info	http://wdfw.wa.gov/wlm/diversty/soc/soc.htm
Geometry Type	Lines

Freshwater Emergent Wetland	
Priority Area	Aquatic Habitat
Site Name	N/A
Accuracy	NA
Notes	Wetland System: Freshwater Emergent Wetland - NWI Code: PEM1Fh
Source Dataset	NWIIWetlands
Source Name	Not Given
Source Entity	US Fish and Wildlife Service
Federal Status	N/A
State Status	N/A
PHS Listing Status	PHS Listed Occurrence
Sensitive	N
SGCN	N
Display Resolution	AS MAPPED
ManagementRecommendations	http://www.ecy.wa.gov/programs/sea/wetlands/bas/index.html
Geometry Type	Polygons

Freshwater Emergent Wetland	
Priority Area	Aquatic Habitat
Site Name	N/A
Accuracy	NA
Notes	Wetland System: Freshwater Emergent Wetland - NWI Code: PEM1Fh
Source Dataset	NWIIWetlands
Source Name	Not Given
Source Entity	US Fish and Wildlife Service
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State Status	N/A
PHS Listing Status	PHS Listed Occurrence
Sensitive	N
SGCN	N
Display Resolution	AS MAPPED
ManagementRecommendations	http://www.ecy.wa.gov/programs/sea/wetlands/bas/index.html
Geometry Type	Polygons

Freshwater Forested/Shrub Wetland	
Priority Area	Aquatic Habitat
Site Name	N/A
Accuracy	NA
Notes	Wetland System: Freshwater Forested/Shrub Wetland - NWI Code: PFO/EM1C
Source Dataset	NWIIWetlands
Source Name	Not Given
Source Entity	US Fish and Wildlife Service
Federal Status	N/A
State Status	N/A
PHS Listing Status	PHS Listed Occurrence
Sensitive	N
SGCN	N
Display Resolution	AS MAPPED
ManagementRecommendations	http://www.ecy.wa.gov/programs/sea/wetlands/bas/index.html
Geometry Type	Polygons

Freshwater Emergent Wetland	
Priority Area	Aquatic Habitat
Site Name	N/A
Accuracy	NA
Notes	Wetland System: Freshwater Emergent Wetland - NWI Code: PEM1C
Source Dataset	NWIIWetlands
Source Name	Not Given
Source Entity	US Fish and Wildlife Service
Federal Status	N/A
State Status	N/A
PHS Listing Status	PHS Listed Occurrence
Sensitive	N
SGCN	N
Display Resolution	AS MAPPED
ManagementRecommendations	http://www.ecy.wa.gov/programs/sea/wetlands/bas/index.html
Geometry Type	Polygons

Freshwater Emergent Wetland	
Priority Area	Aquatic Habitat
Site Name	N/A
Accuracy	NA
Notes	Wetland System: Freshwater Emergent Wetland - NWI Code: PEM1C
Source Dataset	NWIIWetlands
Source Name	Not Given
Source Entity	US Fish and Wildlife Service
Federal Status	N/A
State Status	N/A
PHS Listing Status	PHS Listed Occurrence
Sensitive	N
SGCN	N
Display Resolution	AS MAPPED
ManagementRecommendations	http://www.ecy.wa.gov/programs/sea/wetlands/bas/index.html
Geometry Type	Polygons

Freshwater Emergent Wetland	
Priority Area	Aquatic Habitat
Site Name	N/A
Accuracy	NA
Notes	Wetland System: Freshwater Emergent Wetland - NWI Code: PEM1C
Source Dataset	NWIIWetlands
Source Name	Not Given
Source Entity	US Fish and Wildlife Service
Federal Status	N/A
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PHS Listing Status	PHS Listed Occurrence
Sensitive	N
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Display Resolution	AS MAPPED
ManagementRecommendations	http://www.ecy.wa.gov/programs/sea/wetlands/bas/index.html
Geometry Type	Polygons

Freshwater Emergent Wetland	
Priority Area	Aquatic Habitat
Site Name	N/A
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Source Dataset	NWIIWetlands
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Display Resolution	AS MAPPED
ManagementRecommendations	http://www.ecy.wa.gov/programs/sea/wetlands/bas/index.html
Geometry Type	Polygons

Freshwater Emergent Wetland	
Priority Area	Aquatic Habitat
Site Name	N/A
Accuracy	NA
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Sensitive	N
SGCN	N
Display Resolution	AS MAPPED
ManagementRecommendations	http://www.ecy.wa.gov/programs/sea/wetlands/bas/index.html
Geometry Type	Polygons

Freshwater Forested/Shrub Wetland	
Priority Area	Aquatic Habitat
Site Name	N/A
Accuracy	NA
Notes	Wetland System: Freshwater Forested/Shrub Wetland - NWI Code: PFO1C
Source Dataset	NWIIWetlands
Source Name	Not Given
Source Entity	US Fish and Wildlife Service
Federal Status	N/A
State Status	N/A
PHS Listing Status	PHS Listed Occurrence
Sensitive	N
SGCN	N
Display Resolution	AS MAPPED
ManagementRecommendations	http://www.ecy.wa.gov/programs/sea/wetlands/bas/index.html
Geometry Type	Polygons

Freshwater Forested/Shrub Wetland	
Priority Area	Aquatic Habitat
Site Name	N/A
Accuracy	NA
Notes	Wetland System: Freshwater Forested/Shrub Wetland - NWI Code: PFO1C
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ManagementRecommendations	http://www.ecy.wa.gov/programs/sea/wetlands/bas/index.html
Geometry Type	Polygons

Freshwater Forested/Shrub Wetland	
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Site Name	N/A
Accuracy	NA
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Display Resolution	AS MAPPED
ManagementRecommendations	http://www.ecy.wa.gov/programs/sea/wetlands/bas/index.html
Geometry Type	Polygons

Freshwater Emergent Wetland	
Priority Area	Aquatic Habitat
Site Name	N/A
Accuracy	NA
Notes	Wetland System: Freshwater Emergent Wetland - NWI Code: PEM1C
Source Dataset	NWIIWetlands
Source Name	Not Given
Source Entity	US Fish and Wildlife Service
Federal Status	N/A
State Status	N/A
PHS Listing Status	PHS Listed Occurrence
Sensitive	N
SGCN	N
Display Resolution	AS MAPPED
ManagementRecommendations	http://www.ecy.wa.gov/programs/sea/wetlands/bas/index.html
Geometry Type	Polygons

Oak Forest	
Priority Area	Terrestrial Habitat
Site Name	N/A
Accuracy	NA
Notes	Oak Forest with 25 to 75% canopy Closure.
Source Dataset	KlicOak
Source Name	Not Given
Source Entity	WDFW Wildlife Program
Federal Status	N/A
State Status	N/A
PHS Listing Status	PHS LISTED OCCURRENCE
Sensitive	N
SGCN	N
Display Resolution	AS MAPPED
ManagementRecommendations	http://wdfw.wa.gov/publications/pub.php?id=00030
Geometry Type	Polygons

Oak/Pine Mixed Forest	
Priority Area	Terrestrial Habitat
Site Name	N/A
Accuracy	NA
Notes	Oak/Pine Mixed Forest with 0 to 25% canopy Closure.
Source Dataset	KlicOak
Source Name	Not Given
Source Entity	WDFW Wildlife Program
Federal Status	N/A
State Status	N/A
PHS Listing Status	PHS LISTED OCCURRENCE
Sensitive	N
SGCN	N
Display Resolution	AS MAPPED
ManagementRecommendations	http://wdfw.wa.gov/publications/pub.php?id=00030
Geometry Type	Polygons

Oak/Pine Mixed Forest	
Priority Area	Terrestrial Habitat
Site Name	N/A
Accuracy	NA
Notes	Oak/Pine Mixed Forest with 25 to 75% canopy Closure.
Source Dataset	KlicOak
Source Name	Not Given
Source Entity	WDFW Wildlife Program
Federal Status	N/A
State Status	N/A
PHS Listing Status	PHS LISTED OCCURRENCE
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SGCN	N
Display Resolution	AS MAPPED
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Geometry Type	Polygons

Oak/Pine Mixed Forest	
Priority Area	Terrestrial Habitat
Site Name	N/A
Accuracy	NA
Notes	Oak/Pine Mixed Forest with 25 to 75% canopy Closure.
Source Dataset	KlicOak
Source Name	Not Given
Source Entity	WDFW Wildlife Program
Federal Status	N/A
State Status	N/A
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Sensitive	N
SGCN	N
Display Resolution	AS MAPPED
ManagementRecommendations	http://wdfw.wa.gov/publications/pub.php?id=00030
Geometry Type	Polygons

Oak/Pine Mixed Forest	
Priority Area	Terrestrial Habitat
Site Name	N/A
Accuracy	NA
Notes	Oak/Pine Mixed Forest with 25 to 75% canopy Closure.
Source Dataset	KlicOak
Source Name	Not Given
Source Entity	WDFW Wildlife Program
Federal Status	N/A
State Status	N/A
PHS Listing Status	PHS LISTED OCCURRENCE
Sensitive	N
SGCN	N
Display Resolution	AS MAPPED
ManagementRecommendations	http://wdfw.wa.gov/publications/pub.php?id=00030
Geometry Type	Polygons

Oak/Pine Mixed Forest	
Priority Area	Terrestrial Habitat
Site Name	N/A
Accuracy	NA
Notes	Oak/Pine Mixed Forest with 25 to 75% canopy Closure.
Source Dataset	KlicOak
Source Name	Not Given
Source Entity	WDFW Wildlife Program
Federal Status	N/A
State Status	N/A
PHS Listing Status	PHS LISTED OCCURRENCE
Sensitive	N
SGCN	N
Display Resolution	AS MAPPED
ManagementRecommendations	http://wdfw.wa.gov/publications/pub.php?id=00030
Geometry Type	Polygons

Northern Spotted Owl	
Scientific Name	<i>Strix occidentalis</i>
Notes	This polygon mask represents one or more records of the above species or habitat occurrence. Contact PHS Data Release (360-902-2543) for obtaining information about masked sensitive species and habitats.
Federal Status	Threatened
State Status	Endangered
PHS Listing Status	PHS Listed Occurrence
Sensitive	Y
SGCN	Y
Display Resolution	TOWNSHIP
ManagementRecommendations	http://wdfw.wa.gov/publications/pub.php?id=00026

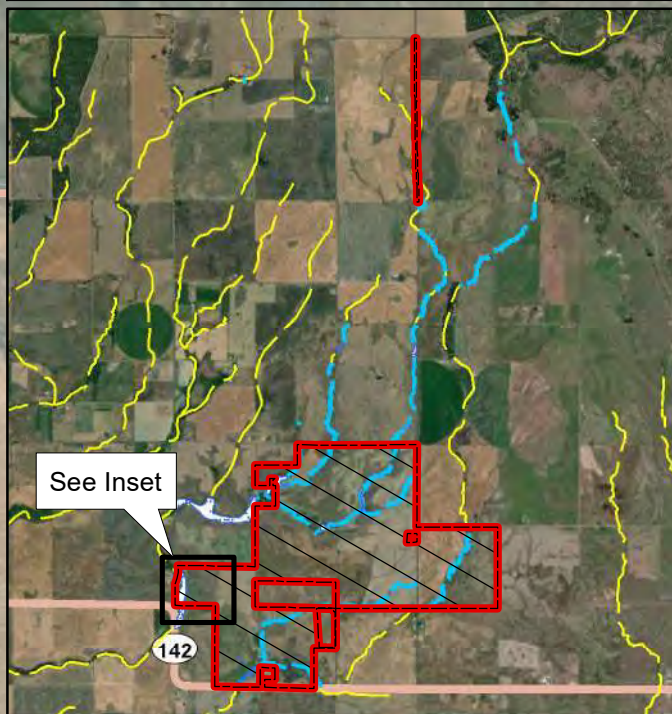
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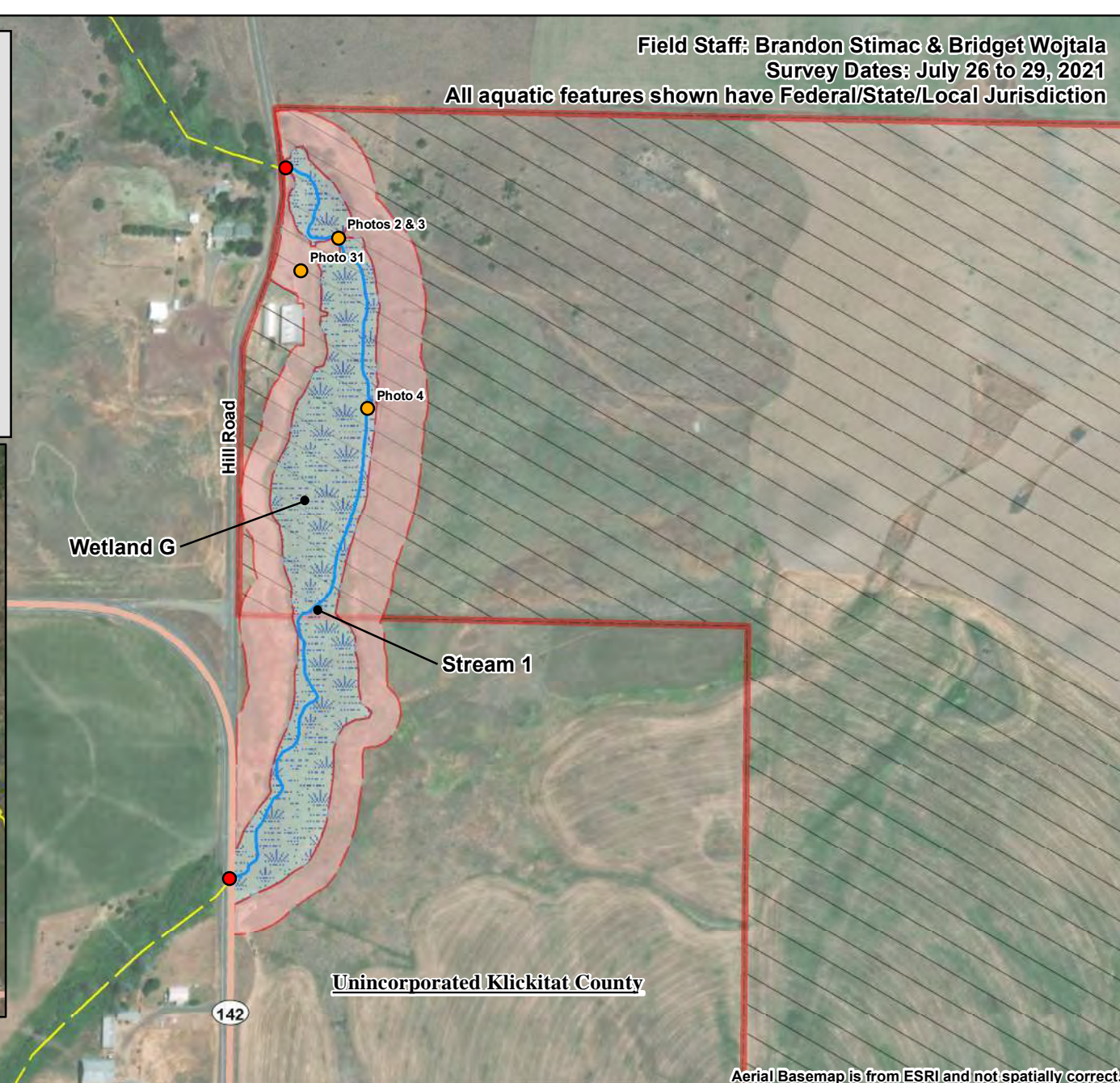
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- Culvert
- WDNR Flow Lines (Modeled)

Stream Type

- Fish-Bearing
- Non-Fish-Bearing Seasonal
- Non-Jurisdictional Ditch
- Critical Fish and Wildlife Habitat Conservation Area (FWHCA)
- Wetlands
- Study Area



Areas outside of Project Area were digitized in the field and orthorectified.



Wetland and Stream Delineation Report

Project Name:
Carriger Solar, LLC

In: Unincorporated Klickitat County
At: 45°50'29.74"N 120°52'59.48"W
County of: Klickitat State of: Washington

Figure 8a: Delineation Map



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0 250 500 750 1,000 Feet

Legend

- Photo Locations
- Culvert
- WDNR Flow Lines (Modeled)

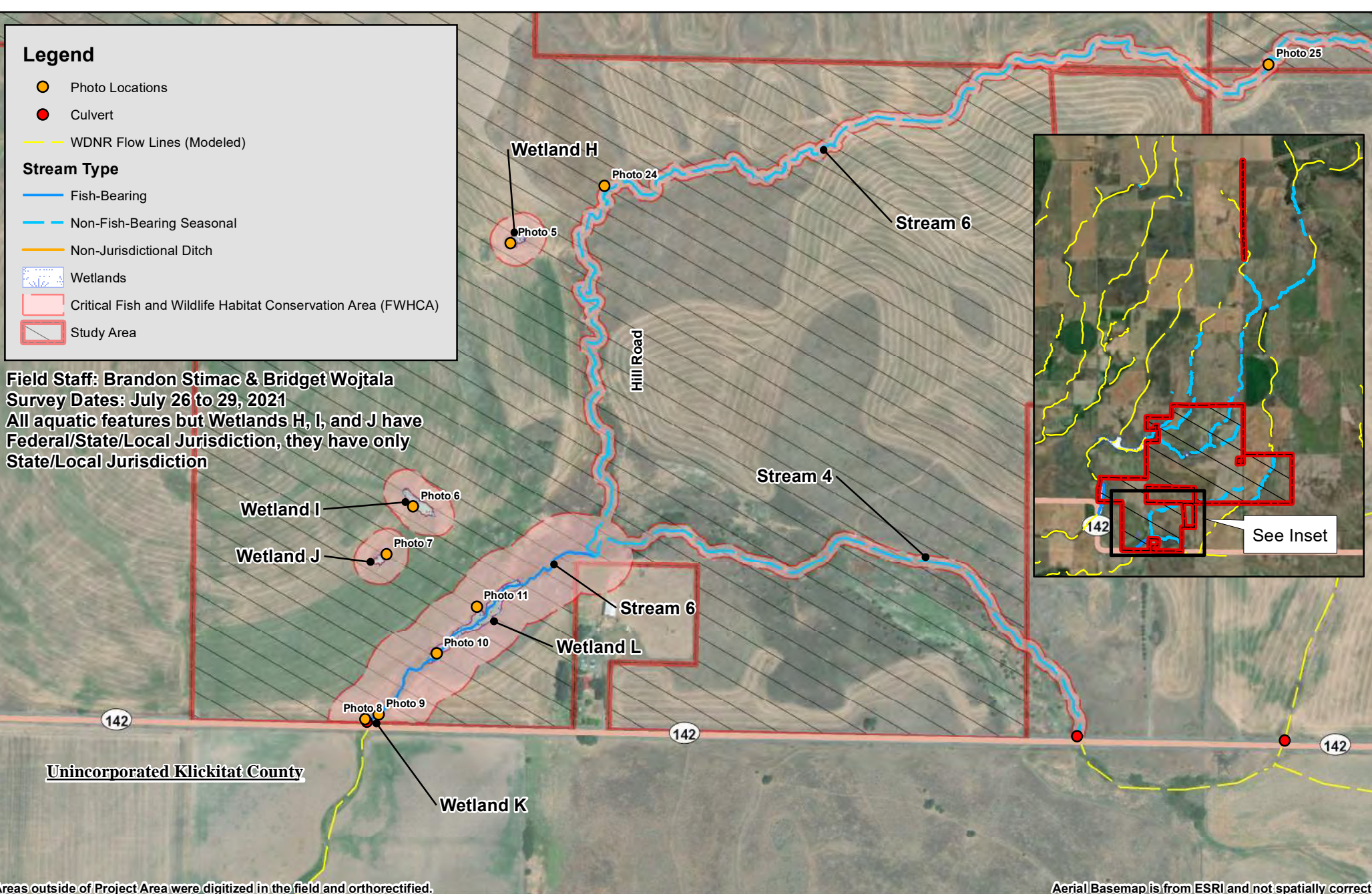
Stream Type

- Fish-Bearing
- Non-Fish-Bearing Seasonal
- Non-Jurisdictional Ditch
- ▨ Wetlands
- ▨ Critical Fish and Wildlife Habitat Conservation Area (FWHCA)
- ▨ Study Area

Field Staff: Brandon Stimac & Bridget Wojtala

Survey Dates: July 26 to 29, 2021

All aquatic features but Wetlands H, I, and J have Federal/State/Local Jurisdiction, they have only State/Local Jurisdiction



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Aerial Basemap is from ESRI and not spatially correct.

Wetland and Stream Delineation Report

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At: 45°50'29.74"N 120°52'59.48"W
County of: Klickitat State of: Washington

Figure 8b: Delineation Map



Appendix A: Figure 8b of 9



0 250 500 750 1,000 Feet

Legend

- Photo Locations
- Culvert
- WDNR Flow Lines (Modeled)

Stream Type

- Fish-Bearing
- Non-Fish-Bearing Seasonal
- Non-Jurisdictional Ditch
- Critical Fish and Wildlife Habitat Conservation Area (FWHCA)
- Wetlands
- Study Area

Field Staff: Brandon Stimac & Bridget Wojtala

Survey Dates: July 26 to 29, 2021

All aquatic features shown have Federal/State/Local Jurisdiction

Stream 6

Stream 4

Fairgrounds Road

Photos 20 & 21

Knight Road

Photo 22

Photo 25

Photo 23

See Inset

Unincorporated Klickitat County

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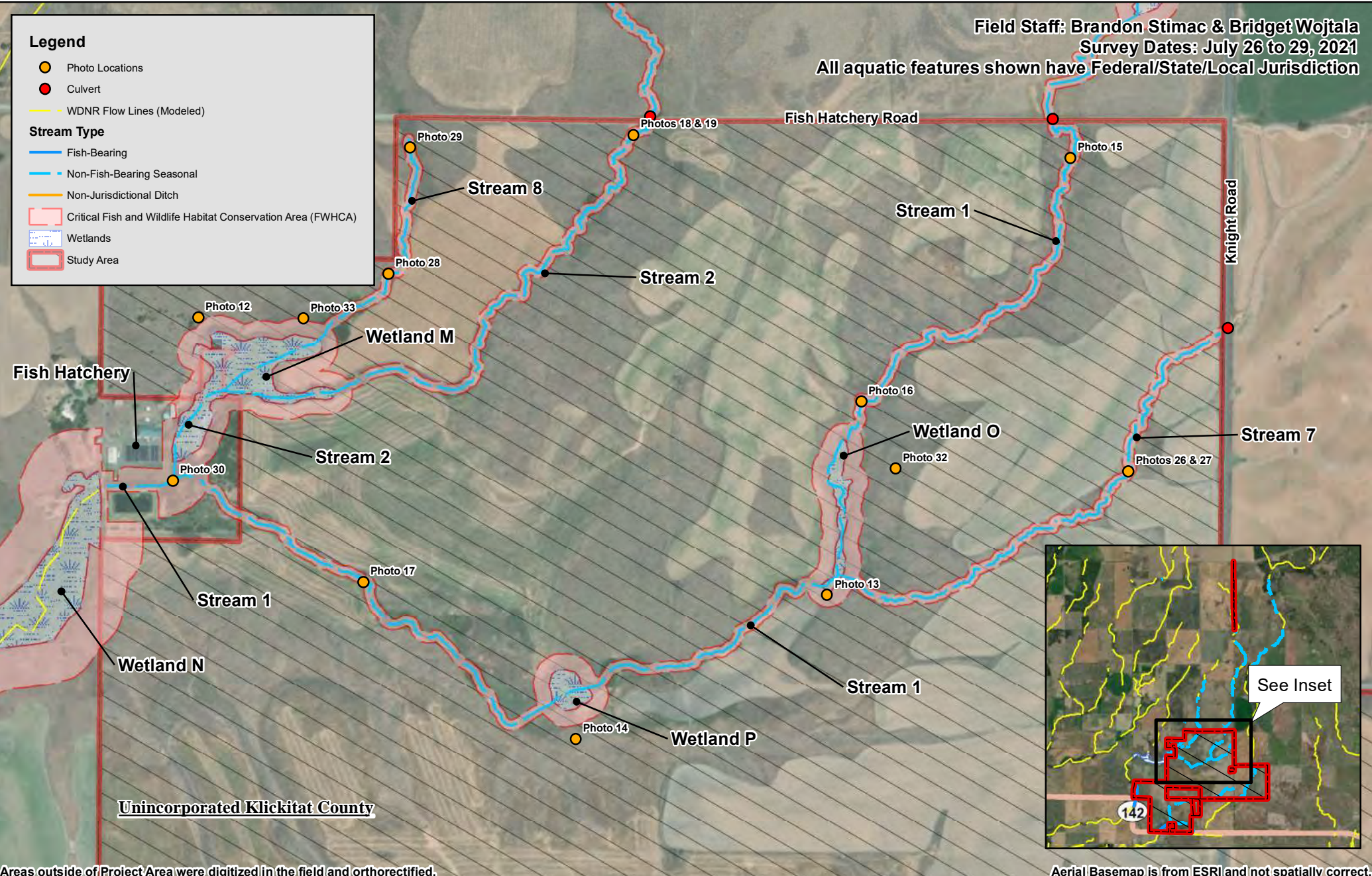
Figure 8c: Delineation Map



Appendix A: Figure 8c of 9



0 250 500 750 1,000 Feet



<p>Wetland and Stream Delineation Report</p> <p>Project Name: Carriger Solar, LLC</p> <p>In: Unincorporated Klickitat County At: 45°50'29.74"N 120°52'59.48"W County of: Klickitat State of: Washington</p>	<p>Figure 8d: Delineation Map</p> <p>wsp</p> <p>Appendix A: Figure 8d of 9</p>	<p>N</p> <p>0 250 500 750 1,000 Feet</p>
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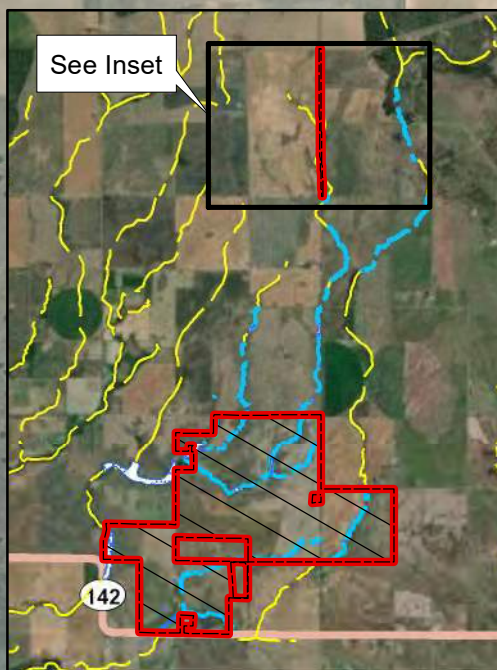
Legend

- Photo Locations
- Culvert
- WDNR Flow Lines (Modeled)

Stream Type

- Fish-Bearing
- Non-Fish-Bearing Seasonal
- Non-Jurisdictional Ditch
- Critical Fish and Wildlife Habitat Conservation Area (FWHCA)
- Wetlands
- Study Area

Field Staff: Brandon Stimac & Bridget Wojtala
 Survey Dates: July 26 to 29, 2021
 All aquatic features shown have
 Federal/State/Local Jurisdiction
 other than the Non-Jurisdictional Ditch
 that isn't under any regulatory Jurisdiction



Unincorporated Klickitat County

Stream 1

Stream 4

Non-Jurisdictional Ditch

Stream 1

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Wetland and Stream Delineation Report

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Figure 8e: Delineation Map



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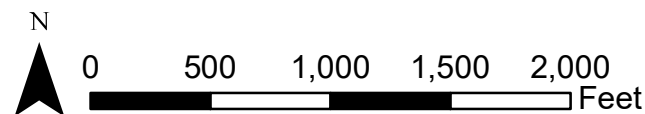




Photo 1: General site conditions looking southeast.



Photo 2: Wetland G looking southwest from Stream 1 crossing.



Photo 3: Wetland G looking north from Stream 1 crossing.



Photo 4: Stream 1 in wetland G (most of this reach of stream is overhung by vegetation).



Photo 5: Wetland H looking north.



Photo 6: Wetland I looking east.



Photo 7: Wetland J looking southwest.



Photo 8: Wetland K and Stream 6, looking south towards the highway 142 culvert.



Photo 9: Wetland K and Stream 6, looking southwest towards highway 142.



Photo 10: Wetland L and Stream 6 looking northeast.



Photo 11: Wetland L and Stream 6 looking southwest.



Photo 12: Wetland M looking southeast from near the hatchery pump house.



Photo 13: Wetland O and Stream 1 looking north.



Photo 14: Wetland P looking north.



Photo 15: Stream 1 looking south; just south of fish hatchery road.



Photo 16: Stream 1 looking south towards Wetland O.



Photo 17: Stream 1 looking northwest towards the fish hatchery.



Photo 18: Stream 2 looking northeast towards fish hatchery road.



Photo 19: Stream 2 looking south from same location as Photo 18.



Photo 20: Stream 4 looking north towards fairgrounds road.



Photo 21: Stream 4 looking south from Photo 20 location.



Photo 22: Stream 4 looking north from the center of the western portion of parcel 04151300000100.



Photo 23: Stream 4 looking west towards Knight Road.



Photo 24: Stream 6 looking south where from the northern end of parcel 04151400000600.



Photo 25: Stream 6 looking southwest from the southwestern end of parcel 04151300000100.



Photo 26: Stream 7 looking southwest.



Photo 27: Stream 7 looking northeast.



Photo 28: Stream 8 looking east.



Photo 29: Stream 8 looking north towards fish hatchery road where a defined stream bed/bank ends.



Photo 30: Goats located adjacent to the confluence of Stream 4 and Stream 6.



Photo 31: Horses that graze within wetland G.



Photo 32: Ungulates near the center of the project area



Photo 33: Black bear tracks within the project area.

APPENDIX B

USACE WETLAND DETERMINATION DATA SHEETS

WETLAND DETERMINATION DATA FORM – Arid West Region

Project/Site: Carriger Solar City/County: Klickitat County Sampling Date: 2021-07-26
 Applicant/Owner: Cypress Creek Renewables State: Washington Sampling Point: DP-1
 Investigator(s): Brandon Stimac & Bridget Wojtala Section, Township, Range: S36 T5N R15E
 Landform (hillslope, terrace, etc.): Floodplain Local relief (concave, convex, none): None Slope (%): 0
 Subregion (LRR): B 8 Lat: 45.837925 Long: -120.867955 Datum: WGS 84
 Soil Map Unit Name: Goldendale silt loam, basalt substratum, 2 to 5 percent slopes NWI classification: PEM

Are climatic / hydrologic conditions on the site typical for this time of year? Yes _____ No ☒ (If no, explain in Remarks.)
 Are Vegetation ☒, Soil _____, or Hydrology _____ significantly disturbed? Are "Normal Circumstances" present? Yes _____ No ☒
 Are Vegetation _____, Soil _____, or Hydrology ☒ naturally problematic? (If needed, explain any answers in Remarks.)

SUMMARY OF FINDINGS – Attach site map showing sampling point locations, transects, important features, etc.

Hydrophytic Vegetation Present? Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No _____	Is the Sampled Area within a Wetland? Yes _____ No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Hydric Soil Present? Yes _____ No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
Wetland Hydrology Present? Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No _____	
Remarks: The area has been in drought for most of the year.	

VEGETATION – Use scientific names of plants.

Tree Stratum (Plot size: <u>30 ft r</u>)	Absolute % Cover	Dominant Species?	Indicator Status	Dominance Test worksheet: Number of Dominant Species That Are OBL, FACW, or FAC: <u>1</u> (A) Total Number of Dominant Species Across All Strata: <u>1</u> (B) Percent of Dominant Species That Are OBL, FACW, or FAC: <u>100</u> (A/B)
1. _____	_____	_____	_____	
2. _____	_____	_____	_____	
3. _____	_____	_____	_____	
4. _____	_____	_____	_____	
_____ = Total Cover				Prevalence Index worksheet: Total % Cover of: _____ Multiply by: _____ OBL species <u>85</u> x 1 = <u>85</u> FACW species <u>0</u> x 2 = <u>0</u> FAC species <u>0</u> x 3 = <u>0</u> FACU species <u>0</u> x 4 = <u>0</u> UPL species <u>0</u> x 5 = <u>0</u> Column Totals: <u>85</u> (A) <u>85</u> (B) Prevalence Index = B/A = <u>1.00</u>
<u>Sapling/Shrub Stratum</u> (Plot size: <u>5 ft r</u>)	_____	_____	_____	
1. _____	_____	_____	_____	
2. _____	_____	_____	_____	
3. _____	_____	_____	_____	
4. _____	_____	_____	_____	
5. _____	_____	_____	_____	
_____ = Total Cover				Hydrophytic Vegetation Indicators: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Dominance Test is >50% _____ Prevalence Index is ≤3.0 ¹ _____ Morphological Adaptations ¹ (Provide supporting data in Remarks or on a separate sheet) _____ Problematic Hydrophytic Vegetation ¹ (Explain) ¹ Indicators of hydric soil and wetland hydrology must be present, unless disturbed or problematic.
<u>Herb Stratum</u> (Plot size: <u>5 ft r</u>)	_____	_____	_____	
1. <u>Eleocharis palustris</u>	<u>75</u>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<u>OBL</u>	
2. <u>Rorippa palustris</u>	<u>10</u>	_____	<u>OBL</u>	
3. _____	_____	_____	_____	
4. _____	_____	_____	_____	
5. _____	_____	_____	_____	
6. _____	_____	_____	_____	
7. _____	_____	_____	_____	
8. _____	_____	_____	_____	
_____ = Total Cover				
<u>Woody Vine Stratum</u> (Plot size: <u>30 ft r</u>)	_____	_____	_____	Hydrophytic Vegetation Present? Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No _____
1. _____	_____	_____	_____	
2. _____	_____	_____	_____	
_____ = Total Cover				
% Bare Ground in Herb Stratum <u>15.0</u>	% Cover of Biotic Crust _____			

Remarks:

All vegetation senesced.

SOIL

Sampling Point: DP-1

Profile Description: (Describe to the depth needed to document the indicator or confirm the absence of indicators.)

Depth (inches)	Matrix		Redox Features				Texture	Remarks
	Color (moist)	%	Color (moist)	%	Type ¹	Loc ²		
0 - 8	10YR 3/3	100					Silty Clay	
-								
-								
-								
-								
-								
-								
-								
-								

¹Type: C=Concentration, D=Depletion, RM=Reduced Matrix, CS=Covered or Coated Sand Grains.

²Location: PL=Pore Lining, M=Matrix.

Hydric Soil Indicators: (Applicable to all LRRs, unless otherwise noted.)

- ☐ Histosol (A1)
- ☐ Histic Epipedon (A2)
- ☐ Black Histic (A3)
- ☐ Hydrogen Sulfide (A4)
- ☐ Stratified Layers (A5) (**LRR C**)
- ☐ 1 cm Muck (A9) (**LRR D**)
- ☐ Depleted Below Dark Surface (A11)
- ☐ Thick Dark Surface (A12)
- ☐ Sandy Mucky Mineral (S1)
- ☐ Sandy Gleyed Matrix (S4)

- ☐ Sandy Redox (S5)
- ☐ Stripped Matrix (S6)
- ☐ Loamy Mucky Mineral (F1)
- ☐ Loamy Gleyed Matrix (F2)
- ☐ Depleted Matrix (F3)
- ☐ Redox Dark Surface (F6)
- ☐ Depleted Dark Surface (F7)
- ☐ Redox Depressions (F8)
- ☐ Vernal Pools (F9)

Indicators for Problematic Hydric Soils³:

- ☐ 1 cm Muck (A9) (**LRR C**)
- ☐ 2 cm Muck (A10) (**LRR B**)
- ☐ Reduced Vertic (F18)
- ☐ Red Parent Material (TF2)
- ☐ Other (Explain in Remarks)

³Indicators of hydrophytic vegetation and wetland hydrology must be present, unless disturbed or problematic.

Restrictive Layer (if present):

Type: Hardpan

Depth (inches): 8

Hydric Soil Present? Yes ☐ No ☒

Remarks:

HYDROLOGY

Wetland Hydrology Indicators:

Primary Indicators (minimum of one required; check all that apply)

- ☐ Surface Water (A1)
- ☐ High Water Table (A2)
- ☐ Saturation (A3)
- ☐ Water Marks (B1) (**Nonriverine**)
- ☐ Sediment Deposits (B2) (**Nonriverine**)
- ☐ Drift Deposits (B3) (**Nonriverine**)
- ☐ Surface Soil Cracks (B6)
- ☐ Inundation Visible on Aerial Imagery (B7)
- ☐ Water-Stained Leaves (B9)
- ☐ Salt Crust (B11)
- ☐ Biotic Crust (B12)
- ☐ Aquatic Invertebrates (B13)
- ☐ Hydrogen Sulfide Odor (C1)
- ☐ Oxidized Rhizospheres along Living Roots (C3)
- ☐ Presence of Reduced Iron (C4)
- ☐ Recent Iron Reduction in Tilled Soils (C6)
- ☐ Thin Muck Surface (C7)
- ☐ Other (Explain in Remarks)

Secondary Indicators (2 or more required)

- ☒ Water Marks (B1) (**Riverine**)
- ☐ Sediment Deposits (B2) (**Riverine**)
- ☐ Drift Deposits (B3) (**Riverine**)
- ☒ Drainage Patterns (B10)
- ☒ Dry-Season Water Table (C2)
- ☐ Crayfish Burrows (C8)
- ☐ Saturation Visible on Aerial Imagery (C9)
- ☐ Shallow Aquitard (D3)
- ☒ FAC-Neutral Test (D5)

Field Observations:

Surface Water Present? Yes ☐ No ☒ Depth (inches): _____

Water Table Present? Yes ☐ No ☒ Depth (inches): _____

Saturation Present? (includes capillary fringe) Yes ☐ No ☒ Depth (inches): _____

Wetland Hydrology Present? Yes ☒ No ☐

Describe Recorded Data (stream gauge, monitoring well, aerial photos, previous inspections), if available:

Remarks:

Presence of surface water from adjacent stream would be the typical hydrology for this wetland.

WETLAND DETERMINATION DATA FORM – Arid West Region

Project/Site: Carriger Solar City/County: Klickitat County Sampling Date: 2021-07-27
 Applicant/Owner: Cypress Creek Renewables State: Washington Sampling Point: DP-2
 Investigator(s): Brandon Stimac & Bridget Wojtala Section, Township, Range: S36 T5N R15E
 Landform (hillslope, terrace, etc.): Floodplain Local relief (concave, convex, none): Concave Slope (%): 0
 Subregion (LRR): B 8 Lat: 45.837086 Long: -120.868006 Datum: WGS 84
 Soil Map Unit Name: Munset stony silt loam, 0 to 5 percent slopes NWI classification: PEM

Are climatic / hydrologic conditions on the site typical for this time of year? Yes _____ No ☒ (If no, explain in Remarks.)
 Are Vegetation ☒, Soil _____, or Hydrology _____ significantly disturbed? Are "Normal Circumstances" present? Yes _____ No ☒
 Are Vegetation ☒, Soil _____, or Hydrology ☒ naturally problematic? (If needed, explain any answers in Remarks.)

SUMMARY OF FINDINGS – Attach site map showing sampling point locations, transects, important features, etc.

Hydrophytic Vegetation Present? Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No _____	Is the Sampled Area within a Wetland? Yes _____ No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Hydric Soil Present? Yes _____ No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
Wetland Hydrology Present? Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No _____	
Remarks: Drought conditions and senesced vegetation.	

VEGETATION – Use scientific names of plants.

Tree Stratum (Plot size: <u>30 ft r</u>) 1. _____ 2. _____ 3. _____ 4. _____ _____ = Total Cover Sapling/Shrub Stratum (Plot size: <u>5 ft r</u>) 1. _____ 2. _____ 3. _____ 4. _____ 5. _____ _____ = Total Cover Herb Stratum (Plot size: <u>5 ft r</u>) 1. <u>Eleocharis palustris</u> <u>65</u> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <u>OBL</u> 2. <u>Poa palustris</u> <u>5</u> _____ <u>FAC</u> 3. <u>Rorippa palustris</u> <u>5</u> _____ <u>OBL</u> 4. _____ 5. _____ 6. _____ 7. _____ 8. _____ _____ = Total Cover Woody Vine Stratum (Plot size: <u>30 ft r</u>) 1. _____ 2. _____ _____ = Total Cover % Bare Ground in Herb Stratum <u>25.0</u> % Cover of Biotic Crust _____	Dominance Test worksheet: Number of Dominant Species That Are OBL, FACW, or FAC: <u>1</u> (A) Total Number of Dominant Species Across All Strata: <u>1</u> (B) Percent of Dominant Species That Are OBL, FACW, or FAC: <u>100</u> (A/B) Prevalence Index worksheet: <table border="0"> <tr> <td>Total % Cover of:</td> <td>Multiply by:</td> </tr> <tr> <td>OBL species <u>70</u></td> <td>x 1 = <u>70</u></td> </tr> <tr> <td>FACW species <u>0</u></td> <td>x 2 = <u>0</u></td> </tr> <tr> <td>FAC species <u>5</u></td> <td>x 3 = <u>15</u></td> </tr> <tr> <td>FACU species <u>0</u></td> <td>x 4 = <u>0</u></td> </tr> <tr> <td>UPL species <u>0</u></td> <td>x 5 = <u>0</u></td> </tr> <tr> <td>Column Totals: <u>75</u> (A)</td> <td><u>85</u> (B)</td> </tr> </table> Prevalence Index = B/A = <u>1.13</u> Hydrophytic Vegetation Indicators: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Dominance Test is >50% _____ Prevalence Index is ≤3.0 ¹ _____ Morphological Adaptations ¹ (Provide supporting data in Remarks or on a separate sheet) _____ Problematic Hydrophytic Vegetation ¹ (Explain) ¹ Indicators of hydric soil and wetland hydrology must be present, unless disturbed or problematic. Hydrophytic Vegetation Present? Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No _____	Total % Cover of:	Multiply by:	OBL species <u>70</u>	x 1 = <u>70</u>	FACW species <u>0</u>	x 2 = <u>0</u>	FAC species <u>5</u>	x 3 = <u>15</u>	FACU species <u>0</u>	x 4 = <u>0</u>	UPL species <u>0</u>	x 5 = <u>0</u>	Column Totals: <u>75</u> (A)	<u>85</u> (B)
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UPL species <u>0</u>	x 5 = <u>0</u>														
Column Totals: <u>75</u> (A)	<u>85</u> (B)														
Remarks: Everything is senesced															

SOIL

Sampling Point: DP-2

Profile Description: (Describe to the depth needed to document the indicator or confirm the absence of indicators.)

Depth (inches)	Matrix		Redox Features				Texture	Remarks
	Color (moist)	%	Color (moist)	%	Type ¹	Loc ²		
0 - 6	10YR 3/3	100					Silty Clay	Hardpan at 6 inches
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-								
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-								
-								
-								

¹Type: C=Concentration, D=Depletion, RM=Reduced Matrix, CS=Covered or Coated Sand Grains. ²Location: PL=Pore Lining, M=Matrix.

Hydric Soil Indicators: (Applicable to all LRRs, unless otherwise noted.)

- ☐ Histosol (A1)
- ☐ Histic Epipedon (A2)
- ☐ Black Histic (A3)
- ☐ Hydrogen Sulfide (A4)
- ☐ Stratified Layers (A5) (**LRR C**)
- ☐ 1 cm Muck (A9) (**LRR D**)
- ☐ Depleted Below Dark Surface (A11)
- ☐ Thick Dark Surface (A12)
- ☐ Sandy Mucky Mineral (S1)
- ☐ Sandy Gleyed Matrix (S4)

- ☐ Sandy Redox (S5)
- ☐ Stripped Matrix (S6)
- ☐ Loamy Mucky Mineral (F1)
- ☐ Loamy Gleyed Matrix (F2)
- ☐ Depleted Matrix (F3)
- ☐ Redox Dark Surface (F6)
- ☐ Depleted Dark Surface (F7)
- ☐ Redox Depressions (F8)
- ☐ Vernal Pools (F9)

Indicators for Problematic Hydric Soils³:

- ☐ 1 cm Muck (A9) (**LRR C**)
- ☐ 2 cm Muck (A10) (**LRR B**)
- ☐ Reduced Vertic (F18)
- ☐ Red Parent Material (TF2)
- ☐ Other (Explain in Remarks)

³Indicators of hydrophytic vegetation and wetland hydrology must be present, unless disturbed or problematic.

Restrictive Layer (if present):

Type: Hardpan

Depth (inches): 6

Hydric Soil Present? Yes ☐ No ☒

Remarks:

HYDROLOGY

Wetland Hydrology Indicators:

Primary Indicators (minimum of one required; check all that apply)

- ☐ Surface Water (A1)
- ☐ High Water Table (A2)
- ☐ Saturation (A3)
- ☐ Water Marks (B1) (**Nonriverine**)
- ☐ Sediment Deposits (B2) (**Nonriverine**)
- ☐ Drift Deposits (B3) (**Nonriverine**)
- ☐ Surface Soil Cracks (B6)
- ☐ Inundation Visible on Aerial Imagery (B7)
- ☐ Water-Stained Leaves (B9)
- ☐ Salt Crust (B11)
- ☐ Biotic Crust (B12)
- ☐ Aquatic Invertebrates (B13)
- ☐ Hydrogen Sulfide Odor (C1)
- ☐ Oxidized Rhizospheres along Living Roots (C3)
- ☐ Presence of Reduced Iron (C4)
- ☐ Recent Iron Reduction in Tilled Soils (C6)
- ☐ Thin Muck Surface (C7)
- ☐ Other (Explain in Remarks)

Secondary Indicators (2 or more required)

- ☒ Water Marks (B1) (**Riverine**)
- ☐ Sediment Deposits (B2) (**Riverine**)
- ☐ Drift Deposits (B3) (**Riverine**)
- ☒ Drainage Patterns (B10)
- ☒ Dry-Season Water Table (C2)
- ☐ Crayfish Burrows (C8)
- ☐ Saturation Visible on Aerial Imagery (C9)
- ☐ Shallow Aquitard (D3)
- ☒ FAC-Neutral Test (D5)

Field Observations:

- Surface Water Present? Yes ☐ No ☒ Depth (inches): _____
- Water Table Present? Yes ☐ No ☒ Depth (inches): _____
- Saturation Present? Yes ☐ No ☒ Depth (inches): _____
(includes capillary fringe)

Wetland Hydrology Present? Yes ☒ No ☐

Describe Recorded Data (stream gauge, monitoring well, aerial photos, previous inspections), if available:

Remarks:

WETLAND DETERMINATION DATA FORM – Arid West Region

Project/Site: Carriger Solar City/County: Klickitat County Sampling Date: 2021-07-27
 Applicant/Owner: Cypress Creek Renewables State: Washington Sampling Point: Dp-3
 Investigator(s): Brandon Stimac & Bridget Wojtala Section, Township, Range: S36 T5N R15E
 Landform (hillslope, terrace, etc.): Depression Local relief (concave, convex, none): Concave Slope (%): 0
 Subregion (LRR): B 8 Lat: 45.833815 Long: -120.867476 Datum: WGS 84
 Soil Map Unit Name: Goldendale silt loam, basalt substratum, 2 to 5 percent slopes NWI classification: Upland

Are climatic / hydrologic conditions on the site typical for this time of year? Yes _____ No ☒ (If no, explain in Remarks.)
 Are Vegetation _____, Soil _____, or Hydrology _____ significantly disturbed? Are "Normal Circumstances" present? Yes _____ No ☒
 Are Vegetation _____, Soil _____, or Hydrology ☒ naturally problematic? (If needed, explain any answers in Remarks.)

SUMMARY OF FINDINGS – Attach site map showing sampling point locations, transects, important features, etc.

Hydrophytic Vegetation Present? Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No _____	Is the Sampled Area within a Wetland? Yes _____ No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Hydric Soil Present? Yes _____ No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
Wetland Hydrology Present? Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No _____	
Remarks: Drought conditions	

VEGETATION – Use scientific names of plants.

Tree Stratum (Plot size: <u>30 ft r</u>)	Absolute % Cover	Dominant Species?	Indicator Status	Dominance Test worksheet: Number of Dominant Species That Are OBL, FACW, or FAC: <u>1</u> (A) Total Number of Dominant Species Across All Strata: <u>1</u> (B) Percent of Dominant Species That Are OBL, FACW, or FAC: <u>100</u> (A/B)
1. _____	_____	_____	_____	
2. _____	_____	_____	_____	
3. _____	_____	_____	_____	
4. _____	_____	_____	_____	
_____ = Total Cover				Prevalence Index worksheet: Total % Cover of: _____ Multiply by: _____ OBL species <u>0</u> x 1 = <u>0</u> FACW species <u>0</u> x 2 = <u>0</u> FAC species <u>30</u> x 3 = <u>90</u> FACU species <u>0</u> x 4 = <u>0</u> UPL species <u>0</u> x 5 = <u>0</u> Column Totals: <u>30</u> (A) <u>90</u> (B) Prevalence Index = B/A = <u>3.00</u>
_____ = Total Cover				
_____ = Total Cover				
_____ = Total Cover				
_____ = Total Cover				
_____ = Total Cover				Hydrophytic Vegetation Indicators: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Dominance Test is >50% _____ Prevalence Index is ≤3.0 ¹ _____ Morphological Adaptations ¹ (Provide supporting data in Remarks or on a separate sheet) _____ Problematic Hydrophytic Vegetation ¹ (Explain)
_____ = Total Cover				
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_____ = Total Cover				Hydrophytic Vegetation Present? Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No _____
_____ = Total Cover				
Woody Vine Stratum (Plot size: <u>30 ft r</u>) 1. _____ 2. _____ _____ = Total Cover				¹ Indicators of hydric soil and wetland hydrology must be present, unless disturbed or problematic.
% Bare Ground in Herb Stratum <u>70.0</u> % Cover of Biotic Crust _____				

Remarks:

Sparsely vegetated concave surface between two fields

SOIL

Sampling Point: Dp-3**Profile Description: (Describe to the depth needed to document the indicator or confirm the absence of indicators.)**

Depth (inches)	Matrix		Redox Features				Texture	Remarks
	Color (moist)	%	Color (moist)	%	Type ¹	Loc ²		
0 - 2	10YR 4/6	100					Silty Clay	Surface cracks due to bedrock being close to surface
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-								
-								
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¹Type: C=Concentration, D=Depletion, RM=Reduced Matrix, CS=Covered or Coated Sand Grains.²Location: PL=Pore Lining, M=Matrix.**Hydric Soil Indicators: (Applicable to all LRRs, unless otherwise noted.)**

- ☐ Histosol (A1)
☐ Histic Epipedon (A2)
☐ Black Histic (A3)
☐ Hydrogen Sulfide (A4)
☐ Stratified Layers (A5) (**LRR C**)
☐ 1 cm Muck (A9) (**LRR D**)
☐ Depleted Below Dark Surface (A11)
☐ Thick Dark Surface (A12)
☐ Sandy Mucky Mineral (S1)
☐ Sandy Gleyed Matrix (S4)
- ☐ Sandy Redox (S5)
☐ Stripped Matrix (S6)
☐ Loamy Mucky Mineral (F1)
☐ Loamy Gleyed Matrix (F2)
☐ Depleted Matrix (F3)
☐ Redox Dark Surface (F6)
☐ Depleted Dark Surface (F7)
☐ Redox Depressions (F8)
☐ Vernal Pools (F9)

Indicators for Problematic Hydric Soils³:

- ☐ 1 cm Muck (A9) (**LRR C**)
☐ 2 cm Muck (A10) (**LRR B**)
☐ Reduced Vertic (F18)
☐ Red Parent Material (TF2)
☐ Other (Explain in Remarks)

³Indicators of hydrophytic vegetation and wetland hydrology must be present, unless disturbed or problematic.

Restrictive Layer (if present):Type: BedrockDepth (inches): 2Hydric Soil Present? Yes ☐ No ☒

Remarks:

No holes could be dug within either of the depressions due to shallow bedrock

HYDROLOGY

Wetland Hydrology Indicators:

Primary Indicators (minimum of one required; check all that apply)

- ☐ Surface Water (A1)
☐ High Water Table (A2)
☐ Saturation (A3)
☐ Water Marks (B1) (**Nonriverine**)
☐ Sediment Deposits (B2) (**Nonriverine**)
☐ Drift Deposits (B3) (**Nonriverine**)
☒ Surface Soil Cracks (B6)
☐ Inundation Visible on Aerial Imagery (B7)
☐ Water-Stained Leaves (B9)

- ☐ Salt Crust (B11)
☐ Biotic Crust (B12)
☐ Aquatic Invertebrates (B13)
☐ Hydrogen Sulfide Odor (C1)
☐ Oxidized Rhizospheres along Living Roots (C3)
☐ Presence of Reduced Iron (C4)
☐ Recent Iron Reduction in Tilled Soils (C6)
☐ Thin Muck Surface (C7)
☐ Other (Explain in Remarks)

Secondary Indicators (2 or more required)

- ☐ Water Marks (B1) (**Riverine**)
☐ Sediment Deposits (B2) (**Riverine**)
☐ Drift Deposits (B3) (**Riverine**)
☐ Drainage Patterns (B10)
☐ Dry-Season Water Table (C2)
☐ Crayfish Burrows (C8)
☐ Saturation Visible on Aerial Imagery (C9)
☐ Shallow Aquitard (D3)
☐ FAC-Neutral Test (D5)

Field Observations:Surface Water Present? Yes ☐ No ☒ Depth (inches): _____Water Table Present? Yes ☐ No ☒ Depth (inches): _____Saturation Present? Yes ☐ No ☒ Depth (inches): _____
(includes capillary fringe)Wetland Hydrology Present? Yes ☒ No ☐

Describe Recorded Data (stream gauge, monitoring well, aerial photos, previous inspections), if available:

Remarks:

WETLAND DETERMINATION DATA FORM – Arid West Region

Project/Site: Carriger Solar City/County: Klickitat County Sampling Date: 2021-07-27
 Applicant/Owner: Cypress Creek Renewables State: Washington Sampling Point: DP-4 Wetland K
 Investigator(s): Brandon Stimac & Bridget Wojtala Section, Township, Range: S36 T5N R15E
 Landform (hillslope, terrace, etc.): Hillslope Local relief (concave, convex, none): Concave Slope (%): 5
 Subregion (LRR): B 8 Lat: 45.824731 Long: -120.897785 Datum: WGS 84
 Soil Map Unit Name: Blockhouse silt loam, 0 to 5 percent slopes NWI classification: Upland

Are climatic / hydrologic conditions on the site typical for this time of year? Yes _____ No ☒ (If no, explain in Remarks.)
 Are Vegetation ☒, Soil _____, or Hydrology _____ significantly disturbed? Are "Normal Circumstances" present? Yes _____ No ☒
 Are Vegetation _____, Soil _____, or Hydrology ☒ naturally problematic? (If needed, explain any answers in Remarks.)

SUMMARY OF FINDINGS – Attach site map showing sampling point locations, transects, important features, etc.

Hydrophytic Vegetation Present? Yes _____ No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Is the Sampled Area within a Wetland? Yes _____ No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Hydric Soil Present? Yes _____ No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
Wetland Hydrology Present? Yes _____ No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
Remarks: Drought Conditions; though this plot is within an area of irrigation.	

VEGETATION – Use scientific names of plants.

Tree Stratum (Plot size: <u>30 ft r</u>)	Absolute % Cover	Dominant Species?	Indicator Status	Dominance Test worksheet: Number of Dominant Species That Are OBL, FACW, or FAC: <u>0</u> (A) Total Number of Dominant Species Across All Strata: <u>1</u> (B) Percent of Dominant Species That Are OBL, FACW, or FAC: <u>0</u> (A/B)
1. _____	_____	_____	_____	
2. _____	_____	_____	_____	
3. _____	_____	_____	_____	
4. _____	_____	_____	_____	
_____ = Total Cover				Prevalence Index worksheet: Total % Cover of: _____ Multiply by: _____ OBL species <u>0</u> x 1 = <u>0</u> FACW species <u>0</u> x 2 = <u>0</u> FAC species <u>0</u> x 3 = <u>0</u> FACU species <u>0</u> x 4 = <u>0</u> UPL species <u>0</u> x 5 = <u>0</u> Column Totals: <u>0</u> (A) <u>0</u> (B) Prevalence Index = B/A = <u>NaN</u>
Sapling/Shrub Stratum (Plot size: <u>5 ft r</u>) 1. _____ 2. _____ 3. _____ 4. _____ 5. _____ _____ = Total Cover				
Herb Stratum (Plot size: <u>5 ft r</u>) 1. <u>Festuca altaica</u> <u>100</u> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <u>NI</u> 2. _____ 3. _____ 4. _____ 5. _____ 6. _____ 7. _____ 8. _____ <u>100%</u> = Total Cover				
Woody Vine Stratum (Plot size: <u>30 ft r</u>) 1. _____ 2. _____ _____ = Total Cover				
% Bare Ground in Herb Stratum _____ % Cover of Biotic Crust _____				

Hydrophytic Vegetation Indicators:
 ___ Dominance Test is >50%
 ___ Prevalence Index is ≤3.0¹
 ___ Morphological Adaptations¹ (Provide supporting data in Remarks or on a separate sheet)
 ___ Problematic Hydrophytic Vegetation¹ (Explain)
¹Indicators of hydric soil and wetland hydrology must be present, unless disturbed or problematic.

Hydrophytic Vegetation Present? Yes _____ No ☒

Remarks:

Drought Conditions

SOIL

Sampling Point: DP-4 Wetland K

Profile Description: (Describe to the depth needed to document the indicator or confirm the absence of indicators.)

Depth (inches)	Matrix		Redox Features				Texture	Remarks
	Color (moist)	%	Color (moist)	%	Type ¹	Loc ²		
0 - 12	10YR 4/3	100					Silt Loam	Edge of agricultural field
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-								
-								
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¹Type: C=Concentration, D=Depletion, RM=Reduced Matrix, CS=Covered or Coated Sand Grains. ²Location: PL=Pore Lining, M=Matrix.

Hydric Soil Indicators: (Applicable to all LRRs, unless otherwise noted.)

- ☐ Histosol (A1)
- ☐ Histic Epipedon (A2)
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- ☐ 1 cm Muck (A9) (**LRR C**)
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- ☐ Reduced Vertic (F18)
- ☐ Red Parent Material (TF2)
- ☐ Other (Explain in Remarks)

³Indicators of hydrophytic vegetation and wetland hydrology must be present, unless disturbed or problematic.

Restrictive Layer (if present):

Type: _____

Depth (inches): _____

Hydric Soil Present? Yes _____ No ☒

Remarks:

HYDROLOGY

Wetland Hydrology Indicators:

Primary Indicators (minimum of one required; check all that apply)

- ☐ Surface Water (A1)
- ☐ High Water Table (A2)
- ☐ Saturation (A3)
- ☐ Water Marks (B1) (**Nonriverine**)
- ☐ Sediment Deposits (B2) (**Nonriverine**)
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- ☐ Surface Soil Cracks (B6)
- ☐ Inundation Visible on Aerial Imagery (B7)
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- ☐ Biotic Crust (B12)
- ☐ Aquatic Invertebrates (B13)
- ☐ Hydrogen Sulfide Odor (C1)
- ☐ Oxidized Rhizospheres along Living Roots (C3)
- ☐ Presence of Reduced Iron (C4)
- ☐ Recent Iron Reduction in Tilled Soils (C6)
- ☐ Thin Muck Surface (C7)
- ☐ Other (Explain in Remarks)

Secondary Indicators (2 or more required)

- ☐ Water Marks (B1) (**Riverine**)
- ☐ Sediment Deposits (B2) (**Riverine**)
- ☐ Drift Deposits (B3) (**Riverine**)
- ☐ Drainage Patterns (B10)
- ☐ Dry-Season Water Table (C2)
- ☐ Crayfish Burrows (C8)
- ☐ Saturation Visible on Aerial Imagery (C9)
- ☐ Shallow Aquitard (D3)
- ☐ FAC-Neutral Test (D5)

Field Observations:

Surface Water Present? Yes _____ No ☒ Depth (inches): _____

Water Table Present? Yes _____ No ☒ Depth (inches): _____

Saturation Present? Yes _____ No ☒ Depth (inches): _____
(includes capillary fringe)

Wetland Hydrology Present? Yes _____ No ☒

Describe Recorded Data (stream gauge, monitoring well, aerial photos, previous inspections), if available:

Remarks:

Drought Conditions

WETLAND DETERMINATION DATA FORM – Arid West Region

Project/Site: Carriger Solar City/County: Klickitat County Sampling Date: 2021-07-27
 Applicant/Owner: Cypress Creek Renewables State: Washington Sampling Point: DP-5 Wetland K
 Investigator(s): Brandon Stimac & Bridget Wojtala Section, Township, Range: S36 T5N R15E
 Landform (hillslope, terrace, etc.): Riverine Local relief (concave, convex, none): Concave Slope (%): 0
 Subregion (LRR): B 8 Lat: 45.824703 Long: -120.897732 Datum: WGS 84
 Soil Map Unit Name: Blockhouse silt loam, 0 to 5 percent slopes NWI classification: Riverine

Are climatic / hydrologic conditions on the site typical for this time of year? Yes ☐ No ☒ (If no, explain in Remarks.)
 Are Vegetation ☒, Soil ☐, or Hydrology ☐ significantly disturbed? Are "Normal Circumstances" present? Yes ☐ No ☒
 Are Vegetation ☐, Soil ☐, or Hydrology ☒ naturally problematic? (If needed, explain any answers in Remarks.)

SUMMARY OF FINDINGS – Attach site map showing sampling point locations, transects, important features, etc.

Hydrophytic Vegetation Present?	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>	Is the Sampled Area within a Wetland?	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>
Hydric Soil Present?	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>		
Wetland Hydrology Present?	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>		
Remarks: Drought conditions; though this plot is in an area near irrigation.			

VEGETATION – Use scientific names of plants.

Tree Stratum (Plot size: <u>30 ft r</u>)	Absolute % Cover	Dominant Species?	Indicator Status	Dominance Test worksheet: Number of Dominant Species That Are OBL, FACW, or FAC: <u>2</u> (A) Total Number of Dominant Species Across All Strata: <u>2</u> (B) Percent of Dominant Species That Are OBL, FACW, or FAC: <u>100</u> (A/B)														
1. _____	_____	_____	_____															
2. _____	_____	_____	_____															
3. _____	_____	_____	_____															
4. _____	_____	_____	_____															
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Sapling/Shrub Stratum (Plot size: <u>5 ft r</u>) 1. _____ 2. _____ 3. _____ 4. _____ 5. _____ _____ = Total Cover																		
Herb Stratum (Plot size: <u>5 ft r</u>) 1. <u>Phalaris arundinacea</u> <u>50</u> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <u>FACW</u> 2. <u>Typha angustifolia</u> <u>40</u> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <u>OBL</u> 3. <u>Eleocharis palustris</u> <u>5</u> <input type="checkbox"/> <u>OBL</u> 4. _____ 5. _____ 6. _____ 7. _____ 8. _____ _____ = Total Cover																		
Woody Vine Stratum (Plot size: <u>30 ft r</u>) 1. _____ 2. _____ _____ = Total Cover																		
% Bare Ground in Herb Stratum <u>5.0</u> % Cover of Biotic Crust _____																		

Hydrophytic Vegetation Indicators:
☒ Dominance Test is >50%
☒ Prevalence Index is ≤3.0¹
☐ Morphological Adaptations¹ (Provide supporting data in Remarks or on a separate sheet)
☐ Problematic Hydrophytic Vegetation¹ (Explain)

¹Indicators of hydric soil and wetland hydrology must be present, unless disturbed or problematic.

Hydrophytic Vegetation Present? Yes ☒ No ☐

Remarks:

Vegetation is highly disturbed from agricultural activities.

SOIL

Sampling Point: DP-5 Wetland K

Profile Description: (Describe to the depth needed to document the indicator or confirm the absence of indicators.)

Depth (inches)	Matrix		Redox Features				Texture	Remarks
	Color (moist)	%	Color (moist)	%	Type ¹	Loc ²		
0 - 4	10YR 3/2	100					Silt Loam	
4 - 16	10YR 3/2	95	10YR 5/6	5	C	M	Silt Loam	
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-								
-								
-								
-								

¹Type: C=Concentration, D=Depletion, RM=Reduced Matrix, CS=Covered or Coated Sand Grains. ²Location: PL=Pore Lining, M=Matrix.

Hydric Soil Indicators: (Applicable to all LRRs, unless otherwise noted.)

- ☐ Histosol (A1)
- ☐ Histic Epipedon (A2)
- ☐ Black Histic (A3)
- ☐ Hydrogen Sulfide (A4)
- ☐ Stratified Layers (A5) (**LRR C**)
- ☐ 1 cm Muck (A9) (**LRR D**)
- ☐ Depleted Below Dark Surface (A11)
- ☐ Thick Dark Surface (A12)
- ☐ Sandy Mucky Mineral (S1)
- ☐ Sandy Gleyed Matrix (S4)

- ☐ Sandy Redox (S5)
- ☐ Stripped Matrix (S6)
- ☐ Loamy Mucky Mineral (F1)
- ☐ Loamy Gleyed Matrix (F2)
- ☐ Depleted Matrix (F3)
- ☒ Redox Dark Surface (F6)
- ☐ Depleted Dark Surface (F7)
- ☐ Redox Depressions (F8)
- ☐ Vernal Pools (F9)

Indicators for Problematic Hydric Soils³:

- ☐ 1 cm Muck (A9) (**LRR C**)
- ☐ 2 cm Muck (A10) (**LRR B**)
- ☐ Reduced Vertic (F18)
- ☐ Red Parent Material (TF2)
- ☐ Other (Explain in Remarks)

³Indicators of hydrophytic vegetation and wetland hydrology must be present, unless disturbed or problematic.

Restrictive Layer (if present):

Type: _____

Depth (inches): _____

Hydric Soil Present? Yes ☒ No ☐

Remarks:

HYDROLOGY

Wetland Hydrology Indicators:

Primary Indicators (minimum of one required; check all that apply)

- ☐ Surface Water (A1)
- ☒ High Water Table (A2)
- ☒ Saturation (A3)
- ☐ Water Marks (B1) (**Nonriverine**)
- ☐ Sediment Deposits (B2) (**Nonriverine**)
- ☐ Drift Deposits (B3) (**Nonriverine**)
- ☐ Surface Soil Cracks (B6)
- ☐ Inundation Visible on Aerial Imagery (B7)
- ☐ Water-Stained Leaves (B9)

- ☐ Salt Crust (B11)
- ☐ Biotic Crust (B12)
- ☐ Aquatic Invertebrates (B13)
- ☐ Hydrogen Sulfide Odor (C1)
- ☐ Oxidized Rhizospheres along Living Roots (C3)
- ☐ Presence of Reduced Iron (C4)
- ☐ Recent Iron Reduction in Tilled Soils (C6)
- ☐ Thin Muck Surface (C7)
- ☐ Other (Explain in Remarks)

Secondary Indicators (2 or more required)

- ☒ Water Marks (B1) (**Riverine**)
- ☐ Sediment Deposits (B2) (**Riverine**)
- ☐ Drift Deposits (B3) (**Riverine**)
- ☒ Drainage Patterns (B10)
- ☐ Dry-Season Water Table (C2)
- ☐ Crayfish Burrows (C8)
- ☐ Saturation Visible on Aerial Imagery (C9)
- ☐ Shallow Aquitard (D3)
- ☒ FAC-Neutral Test (D5)

Field Observations:

Surface Water Present? Yes ☐ No ☒ Depth (inches): _____

Water Table Present? Yes ☒ No ☐ Depth (inches): 12

Saturation Present? (includes capillary fringe) Yes ☒ No ☐ Depth (inches): 6

Wetland Hydrology Present? Yes ☒ No ☐

Describe Recorded Data (stream gauge, monitoring well, aerial photos, previous inspections), if available:

Remarks:

Wetland starts at a culvert with backwater and continues northeast. Wetland continues on opposite side of the road.

WETLAND DETERMINATION DATA FORM – Arid West Region

Project/Site: Carriger Solar City/County: Klickitat County Sampling Date: 2021-07-27
 Applicant/Owner: Cypress Creek Renewables State: Washington Sampling Point: DP-6 Wetland L
 Investigator(s): Brandon Stimac & Bridget Wojtala Section, Township, Range: S36 T5N R15E
 Landform (hillslope, terrace, etc.): Riverine Local relief (concave, convex, none): Concave Slope (%): 0
 Subregion (LRR): B 8 Lat: 45.825462 Long: -120.896649 Datum: WGS 84
 Soil Map Unit Name: Blockhouse silt loam, 0 to 5 percent slopes NWI classification: Riverine

Are climatic / hydrologic conditions on the site typical for this time of year? Yes _____ No ☒ (If no, explain in Remarks.)
 Are Vegetation ☒, Soil _____, or Hydrology _____ significantly disturbed? Are "Normal Circumstances" present? Yes _____ No ☒
 Are Vegetation _____, Soil _____, or Hydrology ☒ naturally problematic? (If needed, explain any answers in Remarks.)

SUMMARY OF FINDINGS – Attach site map showing sampling point locations, transects, important features, etc.

Hydrophytic Vegetation Present? Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No _____	Is the Sampled Area within a Wetland? Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No _____
Hydric Soil Present? Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No _____	
Wetland Hydrology Present? Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No _____	
Remarks: Drought conditions	

VEGETATION – Use scientific names of plants.

Tree Stratum (Plot size: <u>30 ft r</u>) 1. _____ 2. _____ 3. _____ 4. _____ _____ = Total Cover Sapling/Shrub Stratum (Plot size: <u>5 ft r</u>) 1. _____ 2. _____ 3. _____ 4. _____ 5. _____ _____ = Total Cover Herb Stratum (Plot size: <u>5 ft r</u>) 1. <u>Juncus drummondii</u> <u>40</u> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <u>FACW</u> 2. <u>Phalaris arundinacea</u> <u>40</u> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <u>FACW</u> 3. <u>Eleocharis palustris</u> <u>5</u> _____ <u>OBL</u> 4. <u>Rorippa palustris</u> <u>5</u> _____ <u>OBL</u> 5. _____ 6. _____ 7. _____ 8. _____ _____ <u>90%</u> = Total Cover Woody Vine Stratum (Plot size: <u>30 ft r</u>) 1. _____ 2. _____ _____ = Total Cover % Bare Ground in Herb Stratum <u>5.0</u> % Cover of Biotic Crust _____	Dominance Test worksheet: Number of Dominant Species That Are OBL, FACW, or FAC: <u>2</u> (A) Total Number of Dominant Species Across All Strata: <u>2</u> (B) Percent of Dominant Species That Are OBL, FACW, or FAC: <u>100</u> (A/B) Prevalence Index worksheet: <table border="0"> <tr> <td>Total % Cover of:</td> <td>Multiply by:</td> </tr> <tr> <td>OBL species <u>10</u></td> <td>x 1 = <u>10</u></td> </tr> <tr> <td>FACW species <u>80</u></td> <td>x 2 = <u>160</u></td> </tr> <tr> <td>FAC species <u>0</u></td> <td>x 3 = <u>0</u></td> </tr> <tr> <td>FACU species <u>0</u></td> <td>x 4 = <u>0</u></td> </tr> <tr> <td>UPL species <u>0</u></td> <td>x 5 = <u>0</u></td> </tr> <tr> <td>Column Totals: <u>90</u> (A)</td> <td><u>170</u> (B)</td> </tr> </table> Prevalence Index = B/A = <u>1.89</u> Hydrophytic Vegetation Indicators: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Dominance Test is >50% <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Prevalence Index is ≤3.0 ¹ ___ Morphological Adaptations ¹ (Provide supporting data in Remarks or on a separate sheet) ___ Problematic Hydrophytic Vegetation ¹ (Explain) ¹ Indicators of hydric soil and wetland hydrology must be present, unless disturbed or problematic. Hydrophytic Vegetation Present? Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No _____	Total % Cover of:	Multiply by:	OBL species <u>10</u>	x 1 = <u>10</u>	FACW species <u>80</u>	x 2 = <u>160</u>	FAC species <u>0</u>	x 3 = <u>0</u>	FACU species <u>0</u>	x 4 = <u>0</u>	UPL species <u>0</u>	x 5 = <u>0</u>	Column Totals: <u>90</u> (A)	<u>170</u> (B)
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Remarks:

SOIL

Sampling Point: DP-6 Wetland L

Profile Description: (Describe to the depth needed to document the indicator or confirm the absence of indicators.)

Depth (inches)	Matrix		Redox Features				Texture	Remarks
	Color (moist)	%	Color (moist)	%	Type ¹	Loc ²		
0 - 6	10YR 3/2	100					Silt Loam	
6 - 16	10YR 3/2	90	10YR 5/6	10	C	PL / M	Silt Loam	
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¹Type: C=Concentration, D=Depletion, RM=Reduced Matrix, CS=Covered or Coated Sand Grains. ²Location: PL=Pore Lining, M=Matrix.

Hydric Soil Indicators: (Applicable to all LRRs, unless otherwise noted.)

- ☐ Histosol (A1)
- ☐ Histic Epipedon (A2)
- ☐ Black Histic (A3)
- ☐ Hydrogen Sulfide (A4)
- ☐ Stratified Layers (A5) (**LRR C**)
- ☐ 1 cm Muck (A9) (**LRR D**)
- ☐ Depleted Below Dark Surface (A11)
- ☐ Thick Dark Surface (A12)
- ☐ Sandy Mucky Mineral (S1)
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- ☐ Sandy Redox (S5)
- ☐ Stripped Matrix (S6)
- ☐ Loamy Mucky Mineral (F1)
- ☐ Loamy Gleyed Matrix (F2)
- ☐ Depleted Matrix (F3)
- ☒ Redox Dark Surface (F6)
- ☐ Depleted Dark Surface (F7)
- ☐ Redox Depressions (F8)
- ☐ Vernal Pools (F9)

Indicators for Problematic Hydric Soils³:

- ☐ 1 cm Muck (A9) (**LRR C**)
- ☐ 2 cm Muck (A10) (**LRR B**)
- ☐ Reduced Vertic (F18)
- ☐ Red Parent Material (TF2)
- ☐ Other (Explain in Remarks)

³Indicators of hydrophytic vegetation and wetland hydrology must be present, unless disturbed or problematic.

Restrictive Layer (if present):

Type: _____

Depth (inches): _____

Hydric Soil Present? Yes ☒ No ☐

Remarks:

HYDROLOGY

Wetland Hydrology Indicators:

Primary Indicators (minimum of one required; check all that apply)

- ☐ Surface Water (A1)
- ☒ High Water Table (A2)
- ☒ Saturation (A3)
- ☐ Water Marks (B1) (**Nonriverine**)
- ☐ Sediment Deposits (B2) (**Nonriverine**)
- ☐ Drift Deposits (B3) (**Nonriverine**)
- ☐ Surface Soil Cracks (B6)
- ☐ Inundation Visible on Aerial Imagery (B7)
- ☐ Water-Stained Leaves (B9)
- ☐ Salt Crust (B11)
- ☐ Biotic Crust (B12)
- ☐ Aquatic Invertebrates (B13)
- ☐ Hydrogen Sulfide Odor (C1)
- ☐ Oxidized Rhizospheres along Living Roots (C3)
- ☐ Presence of Reduced Iron (C4)
- ☐ Recent Iron Reduction in Tilled Soils (C6)
- ☐ Thin Muck Surface (C7)
- ☐ Other (Explain in Remarks)

Secondary Indicators (2 or more required)

- ☒ Water Marks (B1) (**Riverine**)
- ☐ Sediment Deposits (B2) (**Riverine**)
- ☐ Drift Deposits (B3) (**Riverine**)
- ☒ Drainage Patterns (B10)
- ☒ Dry-Season Water Table (C2)
- ☐ Crayfish Burrows (C8)
- ☐ Saturation Visible on Aerial Imagery (C9)
- ☐ Shallow Aquitard (D3)
- ☒ FAC-Neutral Test (D5)

Field Observations:

Surface Water Present? Yes ☐ No ☒ Depth (inches): _____

Water Table Present? Yes ☒ No ☐ Depth (inches): 12

Saturation Present? Yes ☒ No ☐ Depth (inches): 6
(includes capillary fringe)

Wetland Hydrology Present? Yes ☒ No ☐

Describe Recorded Data (stream gauge, monitoring well, aerial photos, previous inspections), if available:

Remarks:

WETLAND DETERMINATION DATA FORM – Arid West Region

Project/Site: Carriger Solar City/County: Klickitat County Sampling Date: 2021-07-27
 Applicant/Owner: Cypress Creek Renewables State: Washington Sampling Point: DP-7 Wetland L
 Investigator(s): Brandon Stimac & Bridget Wojtala Section, Township, Range: S36 T5N R15E
 Landform (hillslope, terrace, etc.): Hillslope Local relief (concave, convex, none): Concave Slope (%): 5
 Subregion (LRR): B 8 Lat: 45.825531 Long: -120.896688 Datum: WGS 84
 Soil Map Unit Name: Blockhouse silt loam, 0 to 5 percent slopes NWI classification: Upland

Are climatic / hydrologic conditions on the site typical for this time of year? Yes _____ No ☒ (If no, explain in Remarks.)
 Are Vegetation ☒, Soil _____, or Hydrology _____ significantly disturbed? Are "Normal Circumstances" present? Yes _____ No ☒
 Are Vegetation _____, Soil _____, or Hydrology ☒ naturally problematic? (If needed, explain any answers in Remarks.)

SUMMARY OF FINDINGS – Attach site map showing sampling point locations, transects, important features, etc.

Hydrophytic Vegetation Present? Yes _____ No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Is the Sampled Area within a Wetland? Yes _____ No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Hydric Soil Present? Yes _____ No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
Wetland Hydrology Present? Yes _____ No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
Remarks: Drought conditions	

VEGETATION – Use scientific names of plants.

Tree Stratum (Plot size: <u>30 ft r</u>)	Absolute % Cover	Dominant Species?	Indicator Status	Dominance Test worksheet: Number of Dominant Species That Are OBL, FACW, or FAC: <u>0</u> (A) Total Number of Dominant Species Across All Strata: <u>1</u> (B) Percent of Dominant Species That Are OBL, FACW, or FAC: <u>0</u> (A/B)
1. _____	_____	_____	_____	
2. _____	_____	_____	_____	
3. _____	_____	_____	_____	
4. _____	_____	_____	_____	
_____ = Total Cover				Prevalence Index worksheet: Total % Cover of: _____ Multiply by: _____ OBL species <u>0</u> x 1 = <u>0</u> FACW species <u>0</u> x 2 = <u>0</u> FAC species <u>0</u> x 3 = <u>0</u> FACU species <u>10</u> x 4 = <u>40</u> UPL species <u>0</u> x 5 = <u>0</u> Column Totals: <u>10</u> (A) <u>40</u> (B) Prevalence Index = B/A = <u>4.00</u>
Sapling/Shrub Stratum (Plot size: <u>5 ft r</u>) 1. _____ 2. _____ 3. _____ 4. _____ 5. _____ _____ = Total Cover				
Herb Stratum (Plot size: <u>5 ft r</u>) 1. <u>Festuca altaica</u> <u>40</u> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <u>NI</u> 2. <u>Cichorium intybus</u> <u>10</u> _____ <u>FACU</u> 3. <u>Verbascum densiflorum</u> <u>10</u> _____ <u>NI</u> 4. _____ 5. _____ 6. _____ 7. _____ 8. _____ _____ = Total Cover				
Woody Vine Stratum (Plot size: <u>30 ft r</u>) 1. _____ 2. _____ _____ = Total Cover				
% Bare Ground in Herb Stratum <u>40.0</u> % Cover of Biotic Crust _____				

Hydrophytic Vegetation Indicators:
 ___ Dominance Test is >50%
 ___ Prevalence Index is ≤3.0¹
 ___ Morphological Adaptations¹ (Provide supporting data in Remarks or on a separate sheet)
 ___ Problematic Hydrophytic Vegetation¹ (Explain)

¹Indicators of hydric soil and wetland hydrology must be present, unless disturbed or problematic.

Hydrophytic Vegetation Present? Yes _____ No ☒

Remarks:

The plot is on the edge of an agricultural area.

SOIL

Sampling Point: DP-7 Wetland L

Profile Description: (Describe to the depth needed to document the indicator or confirm the absence of indicators.)

Depth (inches)	Matrix		Redox Features				Texture	Remarks
	Color (moist)	%	Color (moist)	%	Type ¹	Loc ²		
0 - 12	10YR 3/3	100					Silt Loam	Edge of agricultural field
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Hydric Soil Indicators: (Applicable to all LRRs, unless otherwise noted.)

☐ Histosol (A1)
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☐ Black Histic (A3)
☐ Hydrogen Sulfide (A4)
☐ Stratified Layers (A5) (**LRR C**)
☐ 1 cm Muck (A9) (**LRR D**)
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☐ Sandy Mucky Mineral (S1)
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☐ Depleted Matrix (F3)
☐ Redox Dark Surface (F6)
☐ Depleted Dark Surface (F7)
☐ Redox Depressions (F8)
☐ Vernal Pools (F9)

Indicators for Problematic Hydric Soils³:

☐ 1 cm Muck (A9) (**LRR C**)
☐ 2 cm Muck (A10) (**LRR B**)
☐ Reduced Vertic (F18)
☐ Red Parent Material (TF2)
☐ Other (Explain in Remarks)

³Indicators of hydrophytic vegetation and wetland hydrology must be present, unless disturbed or problematic.

Restrictive Layer (if present):

Type: _____

Depth (inches): _____

Hydric Soil Present? Yes _____ No ☒

Remarks:

HYDROLOGY

Wetland Hydrology Indicators:

Primary Indicators (minimum of one required; check all that apply)

☐ Surface Water (A1)
☐ High Water Table (A2)
☐ Saturation (A3)
☐ Water Marks (B1) (**Nonriverine**)
☐ Sediment Deposits (B2) (**Nonriverine**)
☐ Drift Deposits (B3) (**Nonriverine**)
☐ Surface Soil Cracks (B6)
☐ Inundation Visible on Aerial Imagery (B7)
☐ Water-Stained Leaves (B9)

☐ Salt Crust (B11)
☐ Biotic Crust (B12)
☐ Aquatic Invertebrates (B13)
☐ Hydrogen Sulfide Odor (C1)
☐ Oxidized Rhizospheres along Living Roots (C3)
☐ Presence of Reduced Iron (C4)
☐ Recent Iron Reduction in Tilled Soils (C6)
☐ Thin Muck Surface (C7)
☐ Other (Explain in Remarks)

Secondary Indicators (2 or more required)

☐ Water Marks (B1) (**Riverine**)
☐ Sediment Deposits (B2) (**Riverine**)
☐ Drift Deposits (B3) (**Riverine**)
☐ Drainage Patterns (B10)
☐ Dry-Season Water Table (C2)
☐ Crayfish Burrows (C8)
☐ Saturation Visible on Aerial Imagery (C9)
☐ Shallow Aquitard (D3)
☐ FAC-Neutral Test (D5)

Field Observations:

Surface Water Present? Yes _____ No ☒ Depth (inches): _____

Water Table Present? Yes _____ No ☒ Depth (inches): _____

Saturation Present? Yes _____ No ☒ Depth (inches): _____
(includes capillary fringe)

Wetland Hydrology Present? Yes _____ No ☒

Describe Recorded Data (stream gauge, monitoring well, aerial photos, previous inspections), if available:

Remarks:

WETLAND DETERMINATION DATA FORM – Arid West Region

Project/Site: Carriger Solar City/County: Klickitat County Sampling Date: 2021-07-27
 Applicant/Owner: Cypress Creek Renewables State: Washington Sampling Point: DP-8 Wetland H
 Investigator(s): Brandon Stimac & Bridget Wojtala Section, Township, Range: S36 T5N R15E
 Landform (hillslope, terrace, etc.): Floodplain Local relief (concave, convex, none): Concave Slope (%): 5
 Subregion (LRR): B 8 Lat: 45.82988 Long: -120.895394 Datum: WGS 84
 Soil Map Unit Name: Goldendale silt loam, basalt substratum, 2 to 5 percent slopes NWI classification: Upland

Are climatic / hydrologic conditions on the site typical for this time of year? Yes _____ No ☒ (If no, explain in Remarks.)
 Are Vegetation ☒, Soil ☒, or Hydrology _____ significantly disturbed? Are "Normal Circumstances" present? Yes _____ No ☒
 Are Vegetation _____, Soil _____, or Hydrology ☒ naturally problematic? (If needed, explain any answers in Remarks.)

SUMMARY OF FINDINGS – Attach site map showing sampling point locations, transects, important features, etc.

Hydrophytic Vegetation Present? Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No _____	Is the Sampled Area within a Wetland? Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No _____
Hydric Soil Present? Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No _____	
Wetland Hydrology Present? Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No _____	
Remarks: Drought conditions; plot had ongoing irrigation during field visit.	

VEGETATION – Use scientific names of plants.

Tree Stratum (Plot size: <u>30 ft r</u>)	Absolute % Cover	Dominant Species?	Indicator Status	Dominance Test worksheet: Number of Dominant Species That Are OBL, FACW, or FAC: <u>2</u> (A) Total Number of Dominant Species Across All Strata: <u>2</u> (B) Percent of Dominant Species That Are OBL, FACW, or FAC: <u>100</u> (A/B)
1. _____	_____	_____	_____	
2. _____	_____	_____	_____	
3. _____	_____	_____	_____	
4. _____	_____	_____	_____	
_____ = Total Cover				Prevalence Index worksheet: Total % Cover of: _____ Multiply by: _____ OBL species <u>0</u> x 1 = <u>0</u> FACW species <u>60</u> x 2 = <u>120</u> FAC species <u>20</u> x 3 = <u>60</u> FACU species <u>5</u> x 4 = <u>20</u> UPL species <u>0</u> x 5 = <u>0</u> Column Totals: <u>85</u> (A) <u>200</u> (B) Prevalence Index = B/A = <u>2.35</u>
Sapling/Shrub Stratum (Plot size: <u>5 ft r</u>) 1. _____ 2. _____ 3. _____ 4. _____ 5. _____ _____ = Total Cover				
Herb Stratum (Plot size: <u>5 ft r</u>) 1. <u>Phalaris arundinacea</u> <u>60</u> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <u>FACW</u> 2. <u>Agrostis scabra</u> <u>20</u> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <u>FAC</u> 3. <u>Dipsacus laciniatus</u> <u>5</u> _____ <u>FACU</u> 4. _____ 5. _____ 6. _____ 7. _____ 8. _____ _____ = Total Cover				
Woody Vine Stratum (Plot size: <u>30 ft r</u>) 1. _____ 2. _____ _____ = Total Cover				
% Bare Ground in Herb Stratum _____ % Cover of Biotic Crust _____				

Hydrophytic Vegetation Indicators:
☒ Dominance Test is >50%
☒ Prevalence Index is ≤3.0¹
 _____ Morphological Adaptations¹ (Provide supporting data in Remarks or on a separate sheet)
 _____ Problematic Hydrophytic Vegetation¹ (Explain)

¹Indicators of hydric soil and wetland hydrology must be present, unless disturbed or problematic.

Hydrophytic Vegetation Present? Yes ☒ No _____

Remarks:

Vegetation is highly disturbed from adjacent agricultural activities.

SOIL

Sampling Point: DP-8 Wetland H

Profile Description: (Describe to the depth needed to document the indicator or confirm the absence of indicators.)

Depth (inches)	Matrix		Redox Features				Texture	Remarks
	Color (moist)	%	Color (moist)	%	Type ¹	Loc ²		
0 - 6	10YR 3/2	100					Silt Loam	
6 - 12	10YR 3/2	95	10YR 5/6	5	C	PL / M	Silty Clay Loam	
12 - 16	10YR 3/2	85	10YR 5/6	5	C	PL / M	Silty Clay Loam	
12 - 16	10YR 3/2		10YR 6/2	10	D	M		
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-								
-								
-								

¹Type: C=Concentration, D=Depletion, RM=Reduced Matrix, CS=Covered or Coated Sand Grains. ²Location: PL=Pore Lining, M=Matrix.

Hydric Soil Indicators: (Applicable to all LRRs, unless otherwise noted.)

- ☐ Histosol (A1)
- ☐ Histic Epipedon (A2)
- ☐ Black Histic (A3)
- ☐ Hydrogen Sulfide (A4)
- ☐ Stratified Layers (A5) (**LRR C**)
- ☐ 1 cm Muck (A9) (**LRR D**)
- ☐ Depleted Below Dark Surface (A11)
- ☐ Thick Dark Surface (A12)
- ☐ Sandy Mucky Mineral (S1)
- ☐ Sandy Gleyed Matrix (S4)

- ☐ Sandy Redox (S5)
- ☐ Stripped Matrix (S6)
- ☐ Loamy Mucky Mineral (F1)
- ☐ Loamy Gleyed Matrix (F2)
- ☒ Depleted Matrix (F3)
- ☐ Redox Dark Surface (F6)
- ☐ Depleted Dark Surface (F7)
- ☐ Redox Depressions (F8)
- ☐ Vernal Pools (F9)

Indicators for Problematic Hydric Soils³:

- ☐ 1 cm Muck (A9) (**LRR C**)
- ☐ 2 cm Muck (A10) (**LRR B**)
- ☐ Reduced Vertic (F18)
- ☐ Red Parent Material (TF2)
- ☐ Other (Explain in Remarks)

³Indicators of hydrophytic vegetation and wetland hydrology must be present, unless disturbed or problematic.

Restrictive Layer (if present):

Type: _____

Depth (inches): _____

Hydric Soil Present? Yes ☒ No ☐

Remarks:

HYDROLOGY

Wetland Hydrology Indicators:

Primary Indicators (minimum of one required; check all that apply)

- ☐ Surface Water (A1)
- ☐ High Water Table (A2)
- ☒ Saturation (A3)
- ☐ Water Marks (B1) (**Nonriverine**)
- ☐ Sediment Deposits (B2) (**Nonriverine**)
- ☐ Drift Deposits (B3) (**Nonriverine**)
- ☐ Surface Soil Cracks (B6)
- ☐ Inundation Visible on Aerial Imagery (B7)
- ☐ Water-Stained Leaves (B9)
- ☐ Salt Crust (B11)
- ☐ Biotic Crust (B12)
- ☐ Aquatic Invertebrates (B13)
- ☐ Hydrogen Sulfide Odor (C1)
- ☐ Oxidized Rhizospheres along Living Roots (C3)
- ☐ Presence of Reduced Iron (C4)
- ☐ Recent Iron Reduction in Tilled Soils (C6)
- ☐ Thin Muck Surface (C7)
- ☐ Other (Explain in Remarks)

Secondary Indicators (2 or more required)

- ☐ Water Marks (B1) (**Riverine**)
- ☐ Sediment Deposits (B2) (**Riverine**)
- ☐ Drift Deposits (B3) (**Riverine**)
- ☐ Drainage Patterns (B10)
- ☒ Dry-Season Water Table (C2)
- ☐ Crayfish Burrows (C8)
- ☒ Saturation Visible on Aerial Imagery (C9)
- ☐ Shallow Aquitard (D3)
- ☒ FAC-Neutral Test (D5)

Field Observations:

Surface Water Present? Yes ☐ No ☒ Depth (inches): _____

Water Table Present? Yes ☐ No ☒ Depth (inches): _____

Saturation Present? Yes ☒ No ☐ Depth (inches): 10
(includes capillary fringe)

Wetland Hydrology Present? Yes ☒ No ☐

Describe Recorded Data (stream gauge, monitoring well, aerial photos, previous inspections), if available:

Remarks:

Drought Conditions with irrigation ongoing. Hydrology likely present for 14 days other than with the active irrigation.

WETLAND DETERMINATION DATA FORM – Arid West Region

Project/Site: Carriger Solar City/County: Klickitat County Sampling Date: 2021-07-27
 Applicant/Owner: Cypress Creek Renewables State: Washington Sampling Point: DP-9 Wetland H
 Investigator(s): Brandon Stimac & Bridget Wojtala Section, Township, Range: S36 T5N R15E
 Landform (hillslope, terrace, etc.): Basin Local relief (concave, convex, none): Concave Slope (%): 0
 Subregion (LRR): B 8 Lat: 45.829929 Long: -120.895437 Datum: WGS 84
 Soil Map Unit Name: Goldendale silt loam, basalt substratum, 2 to 5 percent slopes NWI classification: Upland

Are climatic / hydrologic conditions on the site typical for this time of year? Yes _____ No ☒ (If no, explain in Remarks.)
 Are Vegetation ☒, Soil ☒, or Hydrology _____ significantly disturbed? Are "Normal Circumstances" present? Yes _____ No ☒
 Are Vegetation _____, Soil _____, or Hydrology ☒ naturally problematic? (If needed, explain any answers in Remarks.)

SUMMARY OF FINDINGS – Attach site map showing sampling point locations, transects, important features, etc.

Hydrophytic Vegetation Present? Yes _____ No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Is the Sampled Area within a Wetland? Yes _____ No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Hydric Soil Present? Yes _____ No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
Wetland Hydrology Present? Yes _____ No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
Remarks: Plot is in an area of tilling and agricultural activities. Drought conditions with irrigation ongoing.	

VEGETATION – Use scientific names of plants.

Tree Stratum (Plot size: <u>30 ft r</u>)	Absolute % Cover	Dominant Species?	Indicator Status	Dominance Test worksheet: Number of Dominant Species That Are OBL, FACW, or FAC: <u>0</u> (A) Total Number of Dominant Species Across All Strata: <u>1</u> (B) Percent of Dominant Species That Are OBL, FACW, or FAC: <u>0</u> (A/B)
1. _____	_____	_____	_____	
2. _____	_____	_____	_____	
3. _____	_____	_____	_____	
4. _____	_____	_____	_____	
_____ = Total Cover				Prevalence Index worksheet: Total % Cover of: _____ Multiply by: _____ OBL species <u>0</u> x 1 = <u>0</u> FACW species <u>0</u> x 2 = <u>0</u> FAC species <u>0</u> x 3 = <u>0</u> FACU species <u>0</u> x 4 = <u>0</u> UPL species <u>0</u> x 5 = <u>0</u> Column Totals: <u>0</u> (A) <u>0</u> (B) Prevalence Index = B/A = <u>NaN</u>
_____ = Total Cover				
_____ = Total Cover				
_____ = Total Cover				
_____ = Total Cover				
_____ = Total Cover				Hydrophytic Vegetation Indicators: ___ Dominance Test is >50% ___ Prevalence Index is ≤3.0 ¹ ___ Morphological Adaptations ¹ (Provide supporting data in Remarks or on a separate sheet) ___ Problematic Hydrophytic Vegetation ¹ (Explain)
_____ = Total Cover				
_____ = Total Cover				
_____ = Total Cover				
_____ = Total Cover				
_____ = Total Cover				Hydrophytic Vegetation Present? Yes _____ No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
_____ = Total Cover				
% Bare Ground in Herb Stratum <u>80.0</u> % Cover of Biotic Crust _____				

Remarks:

Tilled farm field

SOIL

Sampling Point: DP-9 Wetland H

Profile Description: (Describe to the depth needed to document the indicator or confirm the absence of indicators.)

Depth (inches)	Matrix		Redox Features				Texture	Remarks
	Color (moist)	%	Color (moist)	%	Type ¹	Loc ²		
0 - 12	10YR 3/3	100					Silt Loam	Edge of agricultural field
-								
-								
-								
-								
-								
-								
-								
-								

¹Type: C=Concentration, D=Depletion, RM=Reduced Matrix, CS=Covered or Coated Sand Grains. ²Location: PL=Pore Lining, M=Matrix.

Hydric Soil Indicators: (Applicable to all LRRs, unless otherwise noted.)

- ☐ Histosol (A1)
- ☐ Histic Epipedon (A2)
- ☐ Black Histic (A3)
- ☐ Hydrogen Sulfide (A4)
- ☐ Stratified Layers (A5) (**LRR C**)
- ☐ 1 cm Muck (A9) (**LRR D**)
- ☐ Depleted Below Dark Surface (A11)
- ☐ Thick Dark Surface (A12)
- ☐ Sandy Mucky Mineral (S1)
- ☐ Sandy Gleyed Matrix (S4)

- ☐ Sandy Redox (S5)
- ☐ Stripped Matrix (S6)
- ☐ Loamy Mucky Mineral (F1)
- ☐ Loamy Gleyed Matrix (F2)
- ☐ Depleted Matrix (F3)
- ☐ Redox Dark Surface (F6)
- ☐ Depleted Dark Surface (F7)
- ☐ Redox Depressions (F8)
- ☐ Vernal Pools (F9)

Indicators for Problematic Hydric Soils³:

- ☐ 1 cm Muck (A9) (**LRR C**)
- ☐ 2 cm Muck (A10) (**LRR B**)
- ☐ Reduced Vertic (F18)
- ☐ Red Parent Material (TF2)
- ☐ Other (Explain in Remarks)

³Indicators of hydrophytic vegetation and wetland hydrology must be present, unless disturbed or problematic.

Restrictive Layer (if present):

Type: _____

Depth (inches): _____

Hydric Soil Present? Yes _____ No ☒

Remarks:

HYDROLOGY

Wetland Hydrology Indicators:

Primary Indicators (minimum of one required; check all that apply)

- ☐ Surface Water (A1)
- ☐ High Water Table (A2)
- ☐ Saturation (A3)
- ☐ Water Marks (B1) (**Nonriverine**)
- ☐ Sediment Deposits (B2) (**Nonriverine**)
- ☐ Drift Deposits (B3) (**Nonriverine**)
- ☐ Surface Soil Cracks (B6)
- ☐ Inundation Visible on Aerial Imagery (B7)
- ☐ Water-Stained Leaves (B9)

- ☐ Salt Crust (B11)
- ☐ Biotic Crust (B12)
- ☐ Aquatic Invertebrates (B13)
- ☐ Hydrogen Sulfide Odor (C1)
- ☐ Oxidized Rhizospheres along Living Roots (C3)
- ☐ Presence of Reduced Iron (C4)
- ☐ Recent Iron Reduction in Tilled Soils (C6)
- ☐ Thin Muck Surface (C7)
- ☐ Other (Explain in Remarks)

Secondary Indicators (2 or more required)

- ☐ Water Marks (B1) (**Riverine**)
- ☐ Sediment Deposits (B2) (**Riverine**)
- ☐ Drift Deposits (B3) (**Riverine**)
- ☐ Drainage Patterns (B10)
- ☐ Dry-Season Water Table (C2)
- ☐ Crayfish Burrows (C8)
- ☐ Saturation Visible on Aerial Imagery (C9)
- ☐ Shallow Aquitard (D3)
- ☐ FAC-Neutral Test (D5)

Field Observations:

Surface Water Present? Yes _____ No ☒ Depth (inches): _____

Water Table Present? Yes _____ No ☒ Depth (inches): _____

Saturation Present? Yes _____ No ☒ Depth (inches): _____
(includes capillary fringe)

Wetland Hydrology Present? Yes _____ No ☒

Describe Recorded Data (stream gauge, monitoring well, aerial photos, previous inspections), if available:

Remarks:

Drought conditions

WETLAND DETERMINATION DATA FORM – Arid West Region

Project/Site: Carriger Solar City/County: Klickitat County Sampling Date: 2021-07-27
 Applicant/Owner: Cypress Creek Renewables State: Washington Sampling Point: DP-10 Wetland I
 Investigator(s): Brandon Stimac & Bridget Wojtala Section, Township, Range: S36 T5N R15E
 Landform (hillslope, terrace, etc.): Depression Local relief (concave, convex, none): Concave Slope (%): 5
 Subregion (LRR): B 8 Lat: 45.827012 Long: -120.896942 Datum: WGS 84
 Soil Map Unit Name: Blockhouse silt loam, 0 to 5 percent slopes NWI classification: Upland

Are climatic / hydrologic conditions on the site typical for this time of year? Yes _____ No ☒ (If no, explain in Remarks.)
 Are Vegetation ☒, Soil ☒, or Hydrology _____ significantly disturbed? Are "Normal Circumstances" present? Yes _____ No ☒
 Are Vegetation _____, Soil _____, or Hydrology ☒ naturally problematic? (If needed, explain any answers in Remarks.)

SUMMARY OF FINDINGS – Attach site map showing sampling point locations, transects, important features, etc.

Hydrophytic Vegetation Present?	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No _____	Is the Sampled Area within a Wetland?	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No _____
Hydric Soil Present?	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No _____		
Wetland Hydrology Present?	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No _____		
Remarks: Drought conditions; plot was actively irrigated.			

VEGETATION – Use scientific names of plants.

Tree Stratum (Plot size: <u>30 ft r</u>)	Absolute % Cover	Dominant Species?	Indicator Status	Dominance Test worksheet: Number of Dominant Species That Are OBL, FACW, or FAC: <u>1</u> (A) Total Number of Dominant Species Across All Strata: <u>1</u> (B) Percent of Dominant Species That Are OBL, FACW, or FAC: <u>100</u> (A/B)
1. _____	_____	_____	_____	
2. _____	_____	_____	_____	
3. _____	_____	_____	_____	
4. _____	_____	_____	_____	
_____ = Total Cover				Prevalence Index worksheet: Total % Cover of: _____ Multiply by: _____ OBL species <u>0</u> x 1 = <u>0</u> FACW species <u>100</u> x 2 = <u>200</u> FAC species <u>0</u> x 3 = <u>0</u> FACU species <u>0</u> x 4 = <u>0</u> UPL species <u>0</u> x 5 = <u>0</u> Column Totals: <u>100</u> (A) <u>200</u> (B) Prevalence Index = B/A = <u>2.00</u>
<u>Sapling/Shrub Stratum</u> (Plot size: <u>5 ft r</u>)				
1. _____	_____	_____	_____	
2. _____	_____	_____	_____	
3. _____	_____	_____	_____	
4. _____	_____	_____	_____	
5. _____	_____	_____	_____	
_____ = Total Cover				Hydrophytic Vegetation Indicators: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Dominance Test is >50% <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Prevalence Index is ≤3.0 ¹ ___ Morphological Adaptations ¹ (Provide supporting data in Remarks or on a separate sheet) ___ Problematic Hydrophytic Vegetation ¹ (Explain) ¹ Indicators of hydric soil and wetland hydrology must be present, unless disturbed or problematic.
<u>Herb Stratum</u> (Plot size: <u>5 ft r</u>)				
1. <u>Phalaris arundinacea</u>	<u>95</u>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<u>FACW</u>	
2. <u>Juncus acutus</u>	<u>5</u>		<u>FACW</u>	
3. _____	_____	_____	_____	
4. _____	_____	_____	_____	
5. _____	_____	_____	_____	
6. _____	_____	_____	_____	
7. _____	_____	_____	_____	
8. _____	_____	_____	_____	
_____ = Total Cover				
<u>Woody Vine Stratum</u> (Plot size: <u>30 ft r</u>)				Hydrophytic Vegetation Present? Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No _____
1. _____	_____	_____	_____	
2. _____	_____	_____	_____	
_____ = Total Cover				
% Bare Ground in Herb Stratum _____ % Cover of Biotic Crust _____				

Remarks:

Vegetation is disturbed from adjacent agricultural activities.

SOIL

Sampling Point: DP-10 Wetland I

Profile Description: (Describe to the depth needed to document the indicator or confirm the absence of indicators.)

Depth (inches)	Matrix		Redox Features				Texture	Remarks
	Color (moist)	%	Color (moist)	%	Type ¹	Loc ²		
0 - 8	10YR 3/2	100					Silt Loam	
8 - 12	10YR 3/2	90	10YR 5/6	10	C	PL / M	Silty Clay Loam	
12 - 16	10YR 3/2	85	10YR 5/6	5	C	PL / M	Silty Clay Loam	
12 - 16	10YR 3/2		10YR 6/2	10	D	M		
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-								
-								
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¹Type: C=Concentration, D=Depletion, RM=Reduced Matrix, CS=Covered or Coated Sand Grains.

²Location: PL=Pore Lining, M=Matrix.

Hydric Soil Indicators: (Applicable to all LRRs, unless otherwise noted.)

- ☐ Histosol (A1)
- ☐ Histic Epipedon (A2)
- ☐ Black Histic (A3)
- ☐ Hydrogen Sulfide (A4)
- ☐ Stratified Layers (A5) (**LRR C**)
- ☐ 1 cm Muck (A9) (**LRR D**)
- ☐ Depleted Below Dark Surface (A11)
- ☐ Thick Dark Surface (A12)
- ☐ Sandy Mucky Mineral (S1)
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- ☐ Sandy Redox (S5)
- ☐ Stripped Matrix (S6)
- ☐ Loamy Mucky Mineral (F1)
- ☐ Loamy Gleyed Matrix (F2)
- ☐ Depleted Matrix (F3)
- ☒ Redox Dark Surface (F6)
- ☐ Depleted Dark Surface (F7)
- ☐ Redox Depressions (F8)
- ☐ Vernal Pools (F9)

Indicators for Problematic Hydric Soils³:

- ☐ 1 cm Muck (A9) (**LRR C**)
- ☐ 2 cm Muck (A10) (**LRR B**)
- ☐ Reduced Vertic (F18)
- ☐ Red Parent Material (TF2)
- ☐ Other (Explain in Remarks)

³Indicators of hydrophytic vegetation and wetland hydrology must be present, unless disturbed or problematic.

Restrictive Layer (if present):

Type: _____

Depth (inches): _____

Hydric Soil Present? Yes ☒ No ☐

Remarks:

Portion of wetland recently tilled.

HYDROLOGY

Wetland Hydrology Indicators:

Primary Indicators (minimum of one required; check all that apply)

- ☐ Surface Water (A1)
- ☐ High Water Table (A2)
- ☐ Saturation (A3)
- ☐ Water Marks (B1) (**Nonriverine**)
- ☐ Sediment Deposits (B2) (**Nonriverine**)
- ☐ Drift Deposits (B3) (**Nonriverine**)
- ☒ Surface Soil Cracks (B6)
- ☐ Inundation Visible on Aerial Imagery (B7)
- ☐ Water-Stained Leaves (B9)
- ☐ Salt Crust (B11)
- ☐ Biotic Crust (B12)
- ☐ Aquatic Invertebrates (B13)
- ☐ Hydrogen Sulfide Odor (C1)
- ☐ Oxidized Rhizospheres along Living Roots (C3)
- ☐ Presence of Reduced Iron (C4)
- ☐ Recent Iron Reduction in Tilled Soils (C6)
- ☐ Thin Muck Surface (C7)
- ☐ Other (Explain in Remarks)

Secondary Indicators (2 or more required)

- ☐ Water Marks (B1) (**Riverine**)
- ☐ Sediment Deposits (B2) (**Riverine**)
- ☐ Drift Deposits (B3) (**Riverine**)
- ☒ Drainage Patterns (B10)
- ☒ Dry-Season Water Table (C2)
- ☐ Crayfish Burrows (C8)
- ☒ Saturation Visible on Aerial Imagery (C9)
- ☐ Shallow Aquitard (D3)
- ☒ FAC-Neutral Test (D5)

Field Observations:

Surface Water Present? Yes ☐ No ☒ Depth (inches): _____

Water Table Present? Yes ☐ No ☒ Depth (inches): _____

Saturation Present? (includes capillary fringe) Yes ☐ No ☒ Depth (inches): _____

Wetland Hydrology Present? Yes ☒ No ☐

Describe Recorded Data (stream gauge, monitoring well, aerial photos, previous inspections), if available:

Remarks:

Drought Conditions; actively irrigated

WETLAND DETERMINATION DATA FORM – Arid West Region

Project/Site: Carriger Solar City/County: Klickitat County Sampling Date: 2021-07-27
 Applicant/Owner: Cypress Creek Renewables State: Washington Sampling Point: DP-11 Wetland I
 Investigator(s): Brandon Stimac & Bridget Wojtala Section, Township, Range: S36 T5N R15E
 Landform (hillslope, terrace, etc.): Basin Local relief (concave, convex, none): Concave Slope (%): 0
 Subregion (LRR): B 8 Lat: 45.827019 Long: -120.896834 Datum: WGS 84
 Soil Map Unit Name: Blockhouse silt loam, 0 to 5 percent slopes NWI classification: Upland

Are climatic / hydrologic conditions on the site typical for this time of year? Yes _____ No ☒ (If no, explain in Remarks.)
 Are Vegetation ☒, Soil ☒, or Hydrology _____ significantly disturbed? Are "Normal Circumstances" present? Yes _____ No ☒
 Are Vegetation _____, Soil _____, or Hydrology ☒ naturally problematic? (If needed, explain any answers in Remarks.)

SUMMARY OF FINDINGS – Attach site map showing sampling point locations, transects, important features, etc.

Hydrophytic Vegetation Present? Yes _____ No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Is the Sampled Area within a Wetland? Yes _____ No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Hydric Soil Present? Yes _____ No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
Wetland Hydrology Present? Yes _____ No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
Remarks: Agricultural fields recently tilled, planted, and irrigated. Data points 16 and 17 are basically the same; though these plots were deemed artificial due to the irrigation.	

VEGETATION – Use scientific names of plants.

Tree Stratum (Plot size: <u>30 ft r</u>)	Absolute % Cover	Dominant Species?	Indicator Status	Dominance Test worksheet: Number of Dominant Species That Are OBL, FACW, or FAC: <u>0</u> (A) Total Number of Dominant Species Across All Strata: <u>1</u> (B) Percent of Dominant Species That Are OBL, FACW, or FAC: <u>0</u> (A/B)
1. _____	_____	_____	_____	
2. _____	_____	_____	_____	
3. _____	_____	_____	_____	
4. _____	_____	_____	_____	
_____ = Total Cover				
Sapling/Shrub Stratum (Plot size: <u>5 ft r</u>)				Prevalence Index worksheet: Total % Cover of: _____ Multiply by: _____ OBL species <u>0</u> x 1 = <u>0</u> FACW species <u>0</u> x 2 = <u>0</u> FAC species <u>0</u> x 3 = <u>0</u> FACU species <u>0</u> x 4 = <u>0</u> UPL species <u>0</u> x 5 = <u>0</u> Column Totals: <u>0</u> (A) <u>0</u> (B) Prevalence Index = B/A = <u>NaN</u>
1. _____	_____	_____	_____	
2. _____	_____	_____	_____	
3. _____	_____	_____	_____	
4. _____	_____	_____	_____	
5. _____	_____	_____	_____	
_____ = Total Cover				
Herb Stratum (Plot size: <u>5 ft r</u>)				Hydrophytic Vegetation Indicators: ___ Dominance Test is >50% ___ Prevalence Index is ≤3.0 ¹ ___ Morphological Adaptations ¹ (Provide supporting data in Remarks or on a separate sheet) ___ Problematic Hydrophytic Vegetation ¹ (Explain)
1. <u>Triticum aestivum</u>	<u>10</u>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<u>NI</u>	
2. _____	_____	_____	_____	
3. _____	_____	_____	_____	
4. _____	_____	_____	_____	
5. _____	_____	_____	_____	
6. _____	_____	_____	_____	
7. _____	_____	_____	_____	
8. _____	_____	_____	_____	
_____ = Total Cover				
Woody Vine Stratum (Plot size: <u>30 ft r</u>)				¹ Indicators of hydric soil and wetland hydrology must be present, unless disturbed or problematic.
1. _____	_____	_____	_____	
2. _____	_____	_____	_____	
_____ = Total Cover				
% Bare Ground in Herb Stratum <u>80.0</u> % Cover of Biotic Crust _____				
Hydrophytic Vegetation Present? Yes _____ No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>				

Remarks:

Recently planted farm field

SOIL

Sampling Point: DP-11 Wetland I

Profile Description: (Describe to the depth needed to document the indicator or confirm the absence of indicators.)

Depth (inches)	Matrix		Redox Features				Texture	Remarks
	Color (moist)	%	Color (moist)	%	Type ¹	Loc ²		
0 - 8	10YR 4/3	100					Silt Loam	Edge of agricultural field
8 - 16	10YR 3/2	100						
-								
-								
-								
-								
-								
-								

¹Type: C=Concentration, D=Depletion, RM=Reduced Matrix, CS=Covered or Coated Sand Grains.

²Location: PL=Pore Lining, M=Matrix.

Hydric Soil Indicators: (Applicable to all LRRs, unless otherwise noted.)

- ☐ Histosol (A1)
- ☐ Histic Epipedon (A2)
- ☐ Black Histic (A3)
- ☐ Hydrogen Sulfide (A4)
- ☐ Stratified Layers (A5) (**LRR C**)
- ☐ 1 cm Muck (A9) (**LRR D**)
- ☐ Depleted Below Dark Surface (A11)
- ☐ Thick Dark Surface (A12)
- ☐ Sandy Mucky Mineral (S1)
- ☐ Sandy Gleyed Matrix (S4)

- ☐ Sandy Redox (S5)
- ☐ Stripped Matrix (S6)
- ☐ Loamy Mucky Mineral (F1)
- ☐ Loamy Gleyed Matrix (F2)
- ☐ Depleted Matrix (F3)
- ☐ Redox Dark Surface (F6)
- ☐ Depleted Dark Surface (F7)
- ☐ Redox Depressions (F8)
- ☐ Vernal Pools (F9)

Indicators for Problematic Hydric Soils³:

- ☐ 1 cm Muck (A9) (**LRR C**)
- ☐ 2 cm Muck (A10) (**LRR B**)
- ☐ Reduced Vertic (F18)
- ☐ Red Parent Material (TF2)
- ☐ Other (Explain in Remarks)

³Indicators of hydrophytic vegetation and wetland hydrology must be present, unless disturbed or problematic.

Restrictive Layer (if present):

Type: _____

Depth (inches): _____

Hydric Soil Present? Yes _____ No ☒

Remarks:

Recently tilled fields

HYDROLOGY

Wetland Hydrology Indicators:

Primary Indicators (minimum of one required; check all that apply)

- ☐ Surface Water (A1)
- ☐ High Water Table (A2)
- ☐ Saturation (A3)
- ☐ Water Marks (B1) (**Nonriverine**)
- ☐ Sediment Deposits (B2) (**Nonriverine**)
- ☐ Drift Deposits (B3) (**Nonriverine**)
- ☐ Surface Soil Cracks (B6)
- ☐ Inundation Visible on Aerial Imagery (B7)
- ☐ Water-Stained Leaves (B9)

- ☐ Salt Crust (B11)
- ☐ Biotic Crust (B12)
- ☐ Aquatic Invertebrates (B13)
- ☐ Hydrogen Sulfide Odor (C1)
- ☐ Oxidized Rhizospheres along Living Roots (C3)
- ☐ Presence of Reduced Iron (C4)
- ☐ Recent Iron Reduction in Tilled Soils (C6)
- ☐ Thin Muck Surface (C7)
- ☐ Other (Explain in Remarks)

Secondary Indicators (2 or more required)

- ☐ Water Marks (B1) (**Riverine**)
- ☐ Sediment Deposits (B2) (**Riverine**)
- ☐ Drift Deposits (B3) (**Riverine**)
- ☐ Drainage Patterns (B10)
- ☒ Dry-Season Water Table (C2)
- ☐ Crayfish Burrows (C8)
- ☐ Saturation Visible on Aerial Imagery (C9)
- ☐ Shallow Aquitard (D3)
- ☐ FAC-Neutral Test (D5)

Field Observations:

Surface Water Present? Yes _____ No ☒ Depth (inches): _____

Water Table Present? Yes _____ No ☒ Depth (inches): _____

Saturation Present? Yes _____ No ☒ Depth (inches): _____
(includes capillary fringe)

Wetland Hydrology Present? Yes _____ No ☒

Describe Recorded Data (stream gauge, monitoring well, aerial photos, previous inspections), if available:

Remarks:

Drought conditions; actively irrigated.

WETLAND DETERMINATION DATA FORM – Arid West Region

Project/Site: Carriger Solar City/County: Klickitat County Sampling Date: 2021-07-27
 Applicant/Owner: Cypress Creek Renewables State: Washington Sampling Point: DP-12 Wetland J
 Investigator(s): Brandon Stimac & Bridget Wojtala Section, Township, Range: S36 T5N R15E
 Landform (hillslope, terrace, etc.): Floodplain Local relief (concave, convex, none): Concave Slope (%): 5
 Subregion (LRR): B 8 Lat: 45.826456 Long: -120.897552 Datum: WGS 84
 Soil Map Unit Name: Blockhouse silt loam, 0 to 5 percent slopes NWI classification: Upland

Are climatic / hydrologic conditions on the site typical for this time of year? Yes _____ No ☒ (If no, explain in Remarks.)
 Are Vegetation ☒, Soil ☒, or Hydrology _____ significantly disturbed? Are "Normal Circumstances" present? Yes _____ No ☒
 Are Vegetation _____, Soil _____, or Hydrology ☒ naturally problematic? (If needed, explain any answers in Remarks.)

SUMMARY OF FINDINGS – Attach site map showing sampling point locations, transects, important features, etc.

Hydrophytic Vegetation Present? Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No _____	Is the Sampled Area within a Wetland? Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No _____
Hydric Soil Present? Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No _____	
Wetland Hydrology Present? Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No _____	
Remarks: Drought conditions; plot is actively irrigated.	

VEGETATION – Use scientific names of plants.

Tree Stratum (Plot size: <u>30 ft r</u>)	Absolute % Cover	Dominant Species?	Indicator Status	Dominance Test worksheet: Number of Dominant Species That Are OBL, FACW, or FAC: <u>2</u> (A) Total Number of Dominant Species Across All Strata: <u>2</u> (B) Percent of Dominant Species That Are OBL, FACW, or FAC: <u>100</u> (A/B)
1. _____	_____	_____	_____	
2. _____	_____	_____	_____	
3. _____	_____	_____	_____	
4. _____	_____	_____	_____	
_____ = Total Cover				Prevalence Index worksheet: Total % Cover of: _____ Multiply by: _____ OBL species <u>0</u> x 1 = <u>0</u> FACW species <u>70</u> x 2 = <u>140</u> FAC species <u>0</u> x 3 = <u>0</u> FACU species <u>0</u> x 4 = <u>0</u> UPL species <u>0</u> x 5 = <u>0</u> Column Totals: <u>70</u> (A) <u>140</u> (B) Prevalence Index = B/A = <u>2.00</u>
<u>Sapling/Shrub Stratum</u> (Plot size: <u>5 ft r</u>)	_____	_____	_____	
1. _____	_____	_____	_____	
2. _____	_____	_____	_____	
3. _____	_____	_____	_____	
4. _____	_____	_____	_____	
5. _____	_____	_____	_____	
_____ = Total Cover				Hydrophytic Vegetation Indicators: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Dominance Test is >50% <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Prevalence Index is ≤3.0 ¹ ___ Morphological Adaptations ¹ (Provide supporting data in Remarks or on a separate sheet) ___ Problematic Hydrophytic Vegetation ¹ (Explain) ¹ Indicators of hydric soil and wetland hydrology must be present, unless disturbed or problematic.
<u>Herb Stratum</u> (Plot size: <u>5 ft r</u>)	_____	_____	_____	
1. <u>Phalaris arundinacea</u>	<u>40</u>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<u>FACW</u>	
2. <u>Carex .spp</u>	<u>30</u>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<u>FACW</u>	
3. _____	_____	_____	_____	
4. _____	_____	_____	_____	
5. _____	_____	_____	_____	
6. _____	_____	_____	_____	
7. _____	_____	_____	_____	
8. _____	_____	_____	_____	
_____ = Total Cover				
<u>Woody Vine Stratum</u> (Plot size: <u>30 ft r</u>)	_____	_____	_____	Hydrophytic Vegetation Present? Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No _____
1. _____	_____	_____	_____	
2. _____	_____	_____	_____	
_____ = Total Cover				
% Bare Ground in Herb Stratum <u>5.0</u>	% Cover of Biotic Crust <u>25</u>			

Remarks:
Disturbed vegetation from adjacent agricultural activities

SOIL

Sampling Point: DP-12 Wetland J

Profile Description: (Describe to the depth needed to document the indicator or confirm the absence of indicators.)

Depth (inches)	Matrix		Redox Features				Texture	Remarks
	Color (moist)	%	Color (moist)	%	Type ¹	Loc ²		
0 - 1	10YR 2/1	100					Muck	
1 - 12	10YR 5/6	60	10YR 5/2	40	RM	PL / M	Mucky Loam/Clay	
-								
-								
-								
-								
-								
-								

¹Type: C=Concentration, D=Depletion, RM=Reduced Matrix, CS=Covered or Coated Sand Grains. ²Location: PL=Pore Lining, M=Matrix.

Hydric Soil Indicators: (Applicable to all LRRs, unless otherwise noted.)

- ☐ Histosol (A1)
- ☐ Histic Epipedon (A2)
- ☐ Black Histic (A3)
- ☐ Hydrogen Sulfide (A4)
- ☐ Stratified Layers (A5) (**LRR C**)
- ☐ 1 cm Muck (A9) (**LRR D**)
- ☐ Depleted Below Dark Surface (A11)
- ☐ Thick Dark Surface (A12)
- ☐ Sandy Mucky Mineral (S1)
- ☐ Sandy Gleyed Matrix (S4)

- ☐ Sandy Redox (S5)
- ☐ Stripped Matrix (S6)
- ☐ Loamy Mucky Mineral (F1)
- ☐ Loamy Gleyed Matrix (F2)
- ☒ Depleted Matrix (F3)
- ☐ Redox Dark Surface (F6)
- ☐ Depleted Dark Surface (F7)
- ☐ Redox Depressions (F8)
- ☐ Vernal Pools (F9)

Indicators for Problematic Hydric Soils³:

- ☐ 1 cm Muck (A9) (**LRR C**)
- ☒ 2 cm Muck (A10) (**LRR B**)
- ☐ Reduced Vertic (F18)
- ☐ Red Parent Material (TF2)
- ☐ Other (Explain in Remarks)

³Indicators of hydrophytic vegetation and wetland hydrology must be present, unless disturbed or problematic.

Restrictive Layer (if present):

Type: _____

Depth (inches): _____

Hydric Soil Present? Yes ☒ No ☐

Remarks:

Portion of wetland recently tilled.

HYDROLOGY

Wetland Hydrology Indicators:

Primary Indicators (minimum of one required; check all that apply)

- ☒ Surface Water (A1)
- ☒ High Water Table (A2)
- ☒ Saturation (A3)
- ☐ Water Marks (B1) (**Nonriverine**)
- ☐ Sediment Deposits (B2) (**Nonriverine**)
- ☐ Drift Deposits (B3) (**Nonriverine**)
- ☒ Surface Soil Cracks (B6)
- ☐ Inundation Visible on Aerial Imagery (B7)
- ☐ Water-Stained Leaves (B9)
- ☐ Salt Crust (B11)
- ☒ Biotic Crust (B12)
- ☐ Aquatic Invertebrates (B13)
- ☐ Hydrogen Sulfide Odor (C1)
- ☐ Oxidized Rhizospheres along Living Roots (C3)
- ☐ Presence of Reduced Iron (C4)
- ☐ Recent Iron Reduction in Tilled Soils (C6)
- ☒ Thin Muck Surface (C7)
- ☐ Other (Explain in Remarks)

Secondary Indicators (2 or more required)

- ☐ Water Marks (B1) (**Riverine**)
- ☐ Sediment Deposits (B2) (**Riverine**)
- ☐ Drift Deposits (B3) (**Riverine**)
- ☒ Drainage Patterns (B10)
- ☒ Dry-Season Water Table (C2)
- ☐ Crayfish Burrows (C8)
- ☒ Saturation Visible on Aerial Imagery (C9)
- ☐ Shallow Aquitard (D3)
- ☒ FAC-Neutral Test (D5)

Field Observations:

Surface Water Present? Yes ☒ No ☐ Depth (inches): 0.5

Water Table Present? Yes ☒ No ☐ Depth (inches): surface

Saturation Present? Yes ☒ No ☐ Depth (inches): surface
(includes capillary fringe)

Wetland Hydrology Present? Yes ☒ No ☐

Describe Recorded Data (stream gauge, monitoring well, aerial photos, previous inspections), if available:

Remarks:

Drought Conditions; actively irrigated.

WETLAND DETERMINATION DATA FORM – Arid West Region

Project/Site: Carriger Solar City/County: Klickitat County Sampling Date: 2021-07-27
 Applicant/Owner: Cypress Creek Renewables State: Washington Sampling Point: DP-13 Wetland J
 Investigator(s): Brandon Stimac & Bridget Wojtala Section, Township, Range: S36 T5N R15E
 Landform (hillslope, terrace, etc.): Basin Local relief (concave, convex, none): Concave Slope (%): 5
 Subregion (LRR): B 8 Lat: 45.826492 Long: -120.897682 Datum: WGS 84
 Soil Map Unit Name: Blockhouse silt loam, 0 to 5 percent slopes NWI classification: Upland

Are climatic / hydrologic conditions on the site typical for this time of year? Yes _____ No ☒ (If no, explain in Remarks.)
 Are Vegetation ☒, Soil ☒, or Hydrology _____ significantly disturbed? Are "Normal Circumstances" present? Yes _____ No ☒
 Are Vegetation _____, Soil _____, or Hydrology ☒ naturally problematic? (If needed, explain any answers in Remarks.)

SUMMARY OF FINDINGS – Attach site map showing sampling point locations, transects, important features, etc.

Hydrophytic Vegetation Present? Yes _____ No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Is the Sampled Area within a Wetland? Yes _____ No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Hydric Soil Present? Yes _____ No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
Wetland Hydrology Present? Yes _____ No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
Remarks: Plot is tilled, planted, and irrigated. Drought conditions are present.	

VEGETATION – Use scientific names of plants.

Tree Stratum (Plot size: <u>30 ft r</u>)	Absolute % Cover	Dominant Species?	Indicator Status	Dominance Test worksheet: Number of Dominant Species That Are OBL, FACW, or FAC: <u>0</u> (A) Total Number of Dominant Species Across All Strata: <u>1</u> (B) Percent of Dominant Species That Are OBL, FACW, or FAC: <u>0</u> (A/B)
1. _____	_____	_____	_____	
2. _____	_____	_____	_____	
3. _____	_____	_____	_____	
4. _____	_____	_____	_____	
_____ = Total Cover				Prevalence Index worksheet: Total % Cover of: _____ Multiply by: _____ OBL species <u>0</u> x 1 = <u>0</u> FACW species <u>0</u> x 2 = <u>0</u> FAC species <u>0</u> x 3 = <u>0</u> FACU species <u>0</u> x 4 = <u>0</u> UPL species <u>0</u> x 5 = <u>0</u> Column Totals: <u>0</u> (A) <u>0</u> (B) Prevalence Index = B/A = <u>NaN</u>
<u>Sapling/Shrub Stratum</u> (Plot size: <u>5 ft r</u>)	_____	_____	_____	
1. _____	_____	_____	_____	
2. _____	_____	_____	_____	
3. _____	_____	_____	_____	
4. _____	_____	_____	_____	
5. _____	_____	_____	_____	
_____ = Total Cover				Hydrophytic Vegetation Indicators: ___ Dominance Test is >50% ___ Prevalence Index is ≤3.0 ¹ ___ Morphological Adaptations ¹ (Provide supporting data in Remarks or on a separate sheet) ___ Problematic Hydrophytic Vegetation ¹ (Explain) ¹ Indicators of hydric soil and wetland hydrology must be present, unless disturbed or problematic. Hydrophytic Vegetation Present? Yes _____ No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<u>Herb Stratum</u> (Plot size: <u>5 ft r</u>)	_____	_____	_____	
1. <u>Triticum aestivum</u>	<u>10</u>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<u>NI</u>	
2. _____	_____	_____	_____	
3. _____	_____	_____	_____	
4. _____	_____	_____	_____	
5. _____	_____	_____	_____	
6. _____	_____	_____	_____	
7. _____	_____	_____	_____	
8. _____	_____	_____	_____	
_____ = Total Cover				
<u>Woody Vine Stratum</u> (Plot size: <u>30 ft r</u>)	_____	_____	_____	
1. _____	_____	_____	_____	
2. _____	_____	_____	_____	
_____ = Total Cover				
% Bare Ground in Herb Stratum <u>90</u>	% Cover of Biotic Crust _____			

Remarks:

Planted farm field

SOIL

Sampling Point: DP-13 Wetland J

Profile Description: (Describe to the depth needed to document the indicator or confirm the absence of indicators.)

Depth (inches)	Matrix		Redox Features				Texture	Remarks
	Color (moist)	%	Color (moist)	%	Type ¹	Loc ²		
0 - 6	10YR 3/3	100					Silt Loam	Edge of agricultural field
6 - 12	10YR 3/2	100					Silt Loam	
-								
-								
-								
-								
-								
-								

¹Type: C=Concentration, D=Depletion, RM=Reduced Matrix, CS=Covered or Coated Sand Grains. ²Location: PL=Pore Lining, M=Matrix.

Hydric Soil Indicators: (Applicable to all LRRs, unless otherwise noted.)

- ☐ Histosol (A1)
- ☐ Histic Epipedon (A2)
- ☐ Black Histic (A3)
- ☐ Hydrogen Sulfide (A4)
- ☐ Stratified Layers (A5) (**LRR C**)
- ☐ 1 cm Muck (A9) (**LRR D**)
- ☐ Depleted Below Dark Surface (A11)
- ☐ Thick Dark Surface (A12)
- ☐ Sandy Mucky Mineral (S1)
- ☐ Sandy Gleyed Matrix (S4)

- ☐ Sandy Redox (S5)
- ☐ Stripped Matrix (S6)
- ☐ Loamy Mucky Mineral (F1)
- ☐ Loamy Gleyed Matrix (F2)
- ☐ Depleted Matrix (F3)
- ☐ Redox Dark Surface (F6)
- ☐ Depleted Dark Surface (F7)
- ☐ Redox Depressions (F8)
- ☐ Vernal Pools (F9)

Indicators for Problematic Hydric Soils³:

- ☐ 1 cm Muck (A9) (**LRR C**)
- ☐ 2 cm Muck (A10) (**LRR B**)
- ☐ Reduced Vertic (F18)
- ☐ Red Parent Material (TF2)
- ☐ Other (Explain in Remarks)

³Indicators of hydrophytic vegetation and wetland hydrology must be present, unless disturbed or problematic.

Restrictive Layer (if present):

Type: _____

Depth (inches): _____

Hydric Soil Present? Yes _____ No ☒

Remarks:

Tilled farm field

HYDROLOGY

Wetland Hydrology Indicators:

Primary Indicators (minimum of one required; check all that apply)

- ☐ Surface Water (A1)
- ☐ High Water Table (A2)
- ☐ Saturation (A3)
- ☐ Water Marks (B1) (**Nonriverine**)
- ☐ Sediment Deposits (B2) (**Nonriverine**)
- ☐ Drift Deposits (B3) (**Nonriverine**)
- ☐ Surface Soil Cracks (B6)
- ☐ Inundation Visible on Aerial Imagery (B7)
- ☐ Water-Stained Leaves (B9)

- ☐ Salt Crust (B11)
- ☐ Biotic Crust (B12)
- ☐ Aquatic Invertebrates (B13)
- ☐ Hydrogen Sulfide Odor (C1)
- ☐ Oxidized Rhizospheres along Living Roots (C3)
- ☐ Presence of Reduced Iron (C4)
- ☐ Recent Iron Reduction in Tilled Soils (C6)
- ☐ Thin Muck Surface (C7)
- ☐ Other (Explain in Remarks)

Secondary Indicators (2 or more required)

- ☐ Water Marks (B1) (**Riverine**)
- ☐ Sediment Deposits (B2) (**Riverine**)
- ☐ Drift Deposits (B3) (**Riverine**)
- ☐ Drainage Patterns (B10)
- ☐ Dry-Season Water Table (C2)
- ☐ Crayfish Burrows (C8)
- ☐ Saturation Visible on Aerial Imagery (C9)
- ☐ Shallow Aquitard (D3)
- ☐ FAC-Neutral Test (D5)

Field Observations:

Surface Water Present? Yes _____ No ☒ Depth (inches): _____

Water Table Present? Yes _____ No ☒ Depth (inches): _____

Saturation Present? Yes _____ No ☒ Depth (inches): _____
(includes capillary fringe)

Wetland Hydrology Present? Yes _____ No ☒

Describe Recorded Data (stream gauge, monitoring well, aerial photos, previous inspections), if available:

Remarks:

Drought conditions; active irrigation.

WETLAND DETERMINATION DATA FORM – Arid West Region

Project/Site: Carriger Solar City/County: Klickitat County Sampling Date: 2021-07-28
 Applicant/Owner: Cypress Creek Renewables State: Washington Sampling Point: DP-14 Wetland G
 Investigator(s): Brandon Stimac & Bridget Wojtala Section, Township, Range: S36 T5N R15E
 Landform (hillslope, terrace, etc.): Floodplain Local relief (concave, convex, none): Concave Slope (%): 0
 Subregion (LRR): B 8 Lat: 45.834579 Long: -120.904791 Datum: WGS 84
 Soil Map Unit Name: Konert silt loam, 0 to 2 percent slopes NWI classification: PEM

Are climatic / hydrologic conditions on the site typical for this time of year? Yes _____ No ☒ (If no, explain in Remarks.)
 Are Vegetation ☒, Soil _____, or Hydrology _____ significantly disturbed? Are "Normal Circumstances" present? Yes _____ No ☒
 Are Vegetation _____, Soil _____, or Hydrology ☒ naturally problematic? (If needed, explain any answers in Remarks.)

SUMMARY OF FINDINGS – Attach site map showing sampling point locations, transects, important features, etc.

Hydrophytic Vegetation Present? Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No _____	Is the Sampled Area within a Wetland? Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No _____
Hydric Soil Present? Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No _____	
Wetland Hydrology Present? Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No _____	
Remarks: Drought conditions; the wetland is grazed by horses and has artificial hydrology from an upstream fish hatchery.	

VEGETATION – Use scientific names of plants.

Tree Stratum (Plot size: <u>30 ft r</u>)	Absolute % Cover	Dominant Species?	Indicator Status	Dominance Test worksheet: Number of Dominant Species That Are OBL, FACW, or FAC: <u>1</u> (A) Total Number of Dominant Species Across All Strata: <u>1</u> (B) Percent of Dominant Species That Are OBL, FACW, or FAC: <u>100</u> (A/B)
1. _____	_____	_____	_____	
2. _____	_____	_____	_____	
3. _____	_____	_____	_____	
4. _____	_____	_____	_____	
_____ = Total Cover				Prevalence Index worksheet: Total % Cover of: _____ Multiply by: _____ OBL species <u>0</u> x 1 = <u>0</u> FACW species <u>100</u> x 2 = <u>200</u> FAC species <u>0</u> x 3 = <u>0</u> FACU species <u>0</u> x 4 = <u>0</u> UPL species <u>0</u> x 5 = <u>0</u> Column Totals: <u>100</u> (A) <u>200</u> (B) Prevalence Index = B/A = <u>2.00</u>
Sapling/Shrub Stratum (Plot size: <u>5 ft r</u>) 1. _____ 2. _____ 3. _____ 4. _____ 5. _____ _____ = Total Cover				
Herb Stratum (Plot size: <u>5 ft r</u>) 1. <u>Phalaris arundinacea</u> <u>95</u> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <u>FACW</u> 2. <u>Scirpus lacustris</u> <u>5</u> _____ <u>FACW</u> 3. _____ 4. _____ 5. _____ 6. _____ 7. _____ 8. _____ _____ = Total Cover				
Woody Vine Stratum (Plot size: <u>30 ft r</u>) 1. _____ 2. _____ _____ = Total Cover				
% Bare Ground in Herb Stratum _____ % Cover of Biotic Crust _____				

Hydrophytic Vegetation Indicators:
☒ Dominance Test is >50%
☒ Prevalence Index is ≤3.0¹
 _____ Morphological Adaptations¹ (Provide supporting data in Remarks or on a separate sheet)
 _____ Problematic Hydrophytic Vegetation¹ (Explain)
¹Indicators of hydric soil and wetland hydrology must be present, unless disturbed or problematic.

Hydrophytic Vegetation Present? Yes ☒ No _____

Remarks:

Wetland vegetation is disturbed by grazing horses.

SOIL

Sampling Point: DP-14 Wetland G

Profile Description: (Describe to the depth needed to document the indicator or confirm the absence of indicators.)

Depth (inches)	Matrix		Redox Features				Texture	Remarks
	Color (moist)	%	Color (moist)	%	Type ¹	Loc ²		
0 - 14	10YR 2/2	100					Mucky Loam/Clay	Other holes dug to the east of the wetland had redox and depletions in the matrix and pore linings around 10 inches.
14 - 18	10YR 2/2	85	10YR 4/2	15	D	PL / M	Mucky Loam/Clay	Other holes dug to the east of the wetland had redox and depletions in the matrix and pore linings around 10 inches.
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¹Type: C=Concentration, D=Depletion, RM=Reduced Matrix, CS=Covered or Coated Sand Grains. ²Location: PL=Pore Lining, M=Matrix.

Hydric Soil Indicators: (Applicable to all LRRs, unless otherwise noted.)

- ☐ Histosol (A1)
☐ Histic Epipedon (A2)
☐ Black Histic (A3)
☐ Hydrogen Sulfide (A4)
☐ Stratified Layers (A5) (**LRR C**)
☐ 1 cm Muck (A9) (**LRR D**)
☐ Depleted Below Dark Surface (A11)
☒ Thick Dark Surface (A12)
☐ Sandy Mucky Mineral (S1)
☐ Sandy Gleyed Matrix (S4)

- ☐ Sandy Redox (S5)
☐ Stripped Matrix (S6)
☐ Loamy Mucky Mineral (F1)
☐ Loamy Gleyed Matrix (F2)
☐ Depleted Matrix (F3)
☐ Redox Dark Surface (F6)
☐ Depleted Dark Surface (F7)
☐ Redox Depressions (F8)
☐ Vernal Pools (F9)

Indicators for Problematic Hydric Soils³:

- ☐ 1 cm Muck (A9) (**LRR C**)
☐ 2 cm Muck (A10) (**LRR B**)
☐ Reduced Vertic (F18)
☐ Red Parent Material (TF2)
☐ Other (Explain in Remarks)

³Indicators of hydrophytic vegetation and wetland hydrology must be present, unless disturbed or problematic.

Restrictive Layer (if present):

Type: Rock
Depth (inches): 18

Hydric Soil Present? Yes ☒ No ☐

Remarks:

HYDROLOGY

Wetland Hydrology Indicators:

Primary Indicators (minimum of one required; check all that apply)

- ☐ Surface Water (A1)
☒ High Water Table (A2)
☒ Saturation (A3)
☐ Water Marks (B1) (**Nonriverine**)
☐ Sediment Deposits (B2) (**Nonriverine**)
☐ Drift Deposits (B3) (**Nonriverine**)
☐ Surface Soil Cracks (B6)
☐ Inundation Visible on Aerial Imagery (B7)
☐ Water-Stained Leaves (B9)

- ☐ Salt Crust (B11)
☐ Biotic Crust (B12)
☐ Aquatic Invertebrates (B13)
☐ Hydrogen Sulfide Odor (C1)
☐ Oxidized Rhizospheres along Living Roots (C3)
☐ Presence of Reduced Iron (C4)
☐ Recent Iron Reduction in Tilled Soils (C6)
☐ Thin Muck Surface (C7)
☐ Other (Explain in Remarks)

Secondary Indicators (2 or more required)

- ☒ Water Marks (B1) (**Riverine**)
☐ Sediment Deposits (B2) (**Riverine**)
☐ Drift Deposits (B3) (**Riverine**)
☒ Drainage Patterns (B10)
☒ Dry-Season Water Table (C2)
☐ Crayfish Burrows (C8)
☐ Saturation Visible on Aerial Imagery (C9)
☐ Shallow Aquitard (D3)
☒ FAC-Neutral Test (D5)

Field Observations:

Surface Water Present? Yes ☐ No ☒ Depth (inches): _____
 Water Table Present? Yes ☒ No ☐ Depth (inches): 16
 Saturation Present? Yes ☒ No ☐ Depth (inches): 1
 (includes capillary fringe)

Wetland Hydrology Present? Yes ☒ No ☐

Describe Recorded Data (stream gauge, monitoring well, aerial photos, previous inspections), if available:

Remarks:

Drought conditions; hydrology comes from the fish hatchery upstream of the wetland.

WETLAND DETERMINATION DATA FORM – Arid West Region

Project/Site: Carriger Solar City/County: Klickitat County Sampling Date: 2021-07-28
 Applicant/Owner: Cypress Creek Renewables State: Washington Sampling Point: DP-15 Wetland G
 Investigator(s): Brandon Stimac & Bridget Wojtala Section, Township, Range: S36 T5N R15E
 Landform (hillslope, terrace, etc.): Basin Local relief (concave, convex, none): Concave Slope (%): 5
 Subregion (LRR): B 8 Lat: 45.834537 Long: -120.904829 Datum: WGS 84
 Soil Map Unit Name: Konert silt loam, 0 to 2 percent slopes NWI classification: PEM

Are climatic / hydrologic conditions on the site typical for this time of year? Yes _____ No ☒ (If no, explain in Remarks.)
 Are Vegetation ☒, Soil ☒, or Hydrology _____ significantly disturbed? Are "Normal Circumstances" present? Yes _____ No ☒
 Are Vegetation _____, Soil _____, or Hydrology ☒ naturally problematic? (If needed, explain any answers in Remarks.)

SUMMARY OF FINDINGS – Attach site map showing sampling point locations, transects, important features, etc.

Hydrophytic Vegetation Present? Yes _____ No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Is the Sampled Area within a Wetland? Yes _____ No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Hydric Soil Present? Yes _____ No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
Wetland Hydrology Present? Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No _____	
Remarks: Drought conditions present; fill from the driveway and adjacent developments present throughout uplands.	

VEGETATION – Use scientific names of plants.

Tree Stratum (Plot size: <u>30 ft r</u>)	Absolute % Cover	Dominant Species?	Indicator Status	Dominance Test worksheet: Number of Dominant Species That Are OBL, FACW, or FAC: <u>0</u> (A) Total Number of Dominant Species Across All Strata: <u>1</u> (B) Percent of Dominant Species That Are OBL, FACW, or FAC: <u>0</u> (A/B)
1. _____	_____	_____	_____	
2. _____	_____	_____	_____	
3. _____	_____	_____	_____	
4. _____	_____	_____	_____	
_____ = Total Cover				Prevalence Index worksheet: Total % Cover of: _____ Multiply by: _____ OBL species <u>0</u> x 1 = <u>0</u> FACW species <u>0</u> x 2 = <u>0</u> FAC species <u>0</u> x 3 = <u>0</u> FACU species <u>25</u> x 4 = <u>100</u> UPL species <u>0</u> x 5 = <u>0</u> Column Totals: <u>25</u> (A) <u>100</u> (B) Prevalence Index = B/A = <u>4.00</u>
Sapling/Shrub Stratum (Plot size: <u>5 ft r</u>) 1. _____ 2. _____ 3. _____ 4. _____ 5. _____ _____ = Total Cover				
Herb Stratum (Plot size: <u>5 ft r</u>) 1. <u>Triticum aestivum</u> <u>60</u> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <u>NI</u> 2. <u>Rubus laciniatus</u> <u>15</u> _____ <u>FACU</u> 3. <u>Anthemis cotula</u> <u>10</u> _____ <u>FACU</u> 4. _____ 5. _____ 6. _____ 7. _____ 8. _____ _____ = Total Cover				
Woody Vine Stratum (Plot size: <u>30 ft r</u>) 1. _____ 2. _____ _____ = Total Cover				
% Bare Ground in Herb Stratum _____ % Cover of Biotic Crust _____				

Hydrophytic Vegetation Indicators:
 ___ Dominance Test is >50%
 ___ Prevalence Index is ≤3.0¹
 ___ Morphological Adaptations¹ (Provide supporting data in Remarks or on a separate sheet)
 ___ Problematic Hydrophytic Vegetation¹ (Explain)

¹Indicators of hydric soil and wetland hydrology must be present, unless disturbed or problematic.

Hydrophytic Vegetation Present? Yes _____ No ☒

Remarks:

Invasive and disturbed vegetation are dominant species.

SOIL

Sampling Point: DP-15 Wetland G

Profile Description: (Describe to the depth needed to document the indicator or confirm the absence of indicators.)

Depth (inches)	Matrix		Redox Features				Texture	Remarks
	Color (moist)	%	Color (moist)	%	Type ¹	Loc ²		
0 - 4	10YR 3/3							
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-								
-								
-								
-								
-								

¹Type: C=Concentration, D=Depletion, RM=Reduced Matrix, CS=Covered or Coated Sand Grains. ²Location: PL=Pore Lining, M=Matrix.

Hydric Soil Indicators: (Applicable to all LRRs, unless otherwise noted.)

- ☐ Histosol (A1)
- ☐ Histic Epipedon (A2)
- ☐ Black Histic (A3)
- ☐ Hydrogen Sulfide (A4)
- ☐ Stratified Layers (A5) (**LRR C**)
- ☐ 1 cm Muck (A9) (**LRR D**)
- ☐ Depleted Below Dark Surface (A11)
- ☐ Thick Dark Surface (A12)
- ☐ Sandy Mucky Mineral (S1)
- ☐ Sandy Gleyed Matrix (S4)

- ☐ Sandy Redox (S5)
- ☐ Stripped Matrix (S6)
- ☐ Loamy Mucky Mineral (F1)
- ☐ Loamy Gleyed Matrix (F2)
- ☐ Depleted Matrix (F3)
- ☐ Redox Dark Surface (F6)
- ☐ Depleted Dark Surface (F7)
- ☐ Redox Depressions (F8)
- ☐ Vernal Pools (F9)

Indicators for Problematic Hydric Soils³:

- ☐ 1 cm Muck (A9) (**LRR C**)
- ☐ 2 cm Muck (A10) (**LRR B**)
- ☐ Reduced Vertic (F18)
- ☐ Red Parent Material (TF2)
- ☐ Other (Explain in Remarks)

³Indicators of hydrophytic vegetation and wetland hydrology must be present, unless disturbed or problematic.

Restrictive Layer (if present):

Type: Rock\Fill Material

Depth (inches): 4

Hydric Soil Present? Yes ☐ No ☒

Remarks:

HYDROLOGY

Wetland Hydrology Indicators:

Primary Indicators (minimum of one required; check all that apply)

- ☐ Surface Water (A1)
- ☐ High Water Table (A2)
- ☐ Saturation (A3)
- ☐ Water Marks (B1) (**Nonriverine**)
- ☐ Sediment Deposits (B2) (**Nonriverine**)
- ☐ Drift Deposits (B3) (**Nonriverine**)
- ☐ Surface Soil Cracks (B6)
- ☐ Inundation Visible on Aerial Imagery (B7)
- ☐ Water-Stained Leaves (B9)
- ☐ Salt Crust (B11)
- ☐ Biotic Crust (B12)
- ☐ Aquatic Invertebrates (B13)
- ☐ Hydrogen Sulfide Odor (C1)
- ☐ Oxidized Rhizospheres along Living Roots (C3)
- ☐ Presence of Reduced Iron (C4)
- ☐ Recent Iron Reduction in Tilled Soils (C6)
- ☐ Thin Muck Surface (C7)
- ☐ Other (Explain in Remarks)

Secondary Indicators (2 or more required)

- ☐ Water Marks (B1) (**Riverine**)
- ☐ Sediment Deposits (B2) (**Riverine**)
- ☐ Drift Deposits (B3) (**Riverine**)
- ☒ Drainage Patterns (B10)
- ☒ Dry-Season Water Table (C2)
- ☐ Crayfish Burrows (C8)
- ☐ Saturation Visible on Aerial Imagery (C9)
- ☐ Shallow Aquitard (D3)
- ☐ FAC-Neutral Test (D5)

Field Observations:

Surface Water Present? Yes ☐ No ☒ Depth (inches):

Water Table Present? Yes ☐ No ☒ Depth (inches):

Saturation Present? Yes ☐ No ☒ Depth (inches):
(includes capillary fringe)

Wetland Hydrology Present? Yes ☒ No ☐

Describe Recorded Data (stream gauge, monitoring well, aerial photos, previous inspections), if available:

Remarks:

Restrictive layer; may have high water table or saturation present.

WETLAND DETERMINATION DATA FORM – Arid West Region

Project/Site: Carriger Solar City/County: Klickitat County Sampling Date: 2021-07-28
 Applicant/Owner: Cypress Creek Renewables State: Washington Sampling Point: DP-18
 Investigator(s): Brandon Stimac & Bridget Wojtala Section, Township, Range: S36 T5N R15E
 Landform (hillslope, terrace, etc.): Depression Local relief (concave, convex, none): Concave Slope (%): 0
 Subregion (LRR): B 8 Lat: 45.831283 Long: -120.898268 Datum: WGS 84
 Soil Map Unit Name: Setnum silt loam, 0 to 3 percent slopes NWI classification: PEM

Are climatic / hydrologic conditions on the site typical for this time of year? Yes _____ No ☒ (If no, explain in Remarks.)
 Are Vegetation ☒, Soil ☒, or Hydrology _____ significantly disturbed? Are "Normal Circumstances" present? Yes _____ No ☒
 Are Vegetation _____, Soil _____, or Hydrology ☒ naturally problematic? (If needed, explain any answers in Remarks.)

SUMMARY OF FINDINGS – Attach site map showing sampling point locations, transects, important features, etc.

Hydrophytic Vegetation Present? Yes _____ No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Is the Sampled Area within a Wetland? Yes _____ No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Hydric Soil Present? Yes _____ No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
Wetland Hydrology Present? Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No _____	
Remarks: Irrigation occurring at time of delineation. Soil is still dry.	

VEGETATION – Use scientific names of plants.

Tree Stratum (Plot size: <u>30 ft r</u>)	Absolute % Cover	Dominant Species?	Indicator Status	Dominance Test worksheet: Number of Dominant Species That Are OBL, FACW, or FAC: <u>1</u> (A) Total Number of Dominant Species Across All Strata: <u>1</u> (B) Percent of Dominant Species That Are OBL, FACW, or FAC: <u>100</u> (A/B)
1. _____	_____	_____	_____	
2. _____	_____	_____	_____	
3. _____	_____	_____	_____	
4. _____	_____	_____	_____	
_____ = Total Cover				Prevalence Index worksheet: Total % Cover of: _____ Multiply by: _____ OBL species <u>0</u> x 1 = <u>0</u> FACW species <u>100</u> x 2 = <u>200</u> FAC species <u>0</u> x 3 = <u>0</u> FACU species <u>0</u> x 4 = <u>0</u> UPL species <u>0</u> x 5 = <u>0</u> Column Totals: <u>100</u> (A) <u>200</u> (B) Prevalence Index = B/A = <u>2.00</u>
<u>Sapling/Shrub Stratum</u> (Plot size: <u>5 ft r</u>)	_____	_____	_____	
1. _____	_____	_____	_____	
2. _____	_____	_____	_____	
3. _____	_____	_____	_____	
4. _____	_____	_____	_____	
5. _____	_____	_____	_____	
_____ = Total Cover				Hydrophytic Vegetation Indicators: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Dominance Test is >50% _____ Prevalence Index is ≤3.0 ¹ _____ Morphological Adaptations ¹ (Provide supporting data in Remarks or on a separate sheet) _____ Problematic Hydrophytic Vegetation ¹ (Explain) ¹ Indicators of hydric soil and wetland hydrology must be present, unless disturbed or problematic. Hydrophytic Vegetation Present? Yes _____ No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<u>Herb Stratum</u> (Plot size: <u>5 ft r</u>)	_____	_____	_____	
1. <u>Phalaris arundinacea</u>	<u>100</u>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<u>FACW</u>	
2. _____	_____	_____	_____	
3. _____	_____	_____	_____	
4. _____	_____	_____	_____	
5. _____	_____	_____	_____	
6. _____	_____	_____	_____	
7. _____	_____	_____	_____	
8. _____	_____	_____	_____	
_____ = Total Cover				
<u>Woody Vine Stratum</u> (Plot size: <u>30 ft r</u>)	_____	_____	_____	
1. _____	_____	_____	_____	
2. _____	_____	_____	_____	
_____ = Total Cover				
% Bare Ground in Herb Stratum _____	% Cover of Biotic Crust _____			
Remarks:				

SOIL

Sampling Point: DP-18

Profile Description: (Describe to the depth needed to document the indicator or confirm the absence of indicators.)

Depth (inches)	Matrix		Redox Features				Texture	Remarks
	Color (moist)	%	Color (moist)	%	Type ¹	Loc ²		
0 - 6	10YR 3/2	100					Silt Loam	
6 - 16	10YR 4/3	100					Silt Loam	Bone dry soil at 16"
-								
-								
-								
-								
-								
-								

¹Type: C=Concentration, D=Depletion, RM=Reduced Matrix, CS=Covered or Coated Sand Grains. ²Location: PL=Pore Lining, M=Matrix.

Hydric Soil Indicators: (Applicable to all LRRs, unless otherwise noted.)

- ☐ Histosol (A1)
- ☐ Histic Epipedon (A2)
- ☐ Black Histic (A3)
- ☐ Hydrogen Sulfide (A4)
- ☐ Stratified Layers (A5) (**LRR C**)
- ☐ 1 cm Muck (A9) (**LRR D**)
- ☐ Depleted Below Dark Surface (A11)
- ☐ Thick Dark Surface (A12)
- ☐ Sandy Mucky Mineral (S1)
- ☐ Sandy Gleyed Matrix (S4)

- ☐ Sandy Redox (S5)
- ☐ Stripped Matrix (S6)
- ☐ Loamy Mucky Mineral (F1)
- ☐ Loamy Gleyed Matrix (F2)
- ☐ Depleted Matrix (F3)
- ☐ Redox Dark Surface (F6)
- ☐ Depleted Dark Surface (F7)
- ☐ Redox Depressions (F8)
- ☐ Vernal Pools (F9)

Indicators for Problematic Hydric Soils³:

- ☐ 1 cm Muck (A9) (**LRR C**)
- ☐ 2 cm Muck (A10) (**LRR B**)
- ☐ Reduced Vertic (F18)
- ☐ Red Parent Material (TF2)
- ☐ Other (Explain in Remarks)

³Indicators of hydrophytic vegetation and wetland hydrology must be present, unless disturbed or problematic.

Restrictive Layer (if present):

Type: _____

Depth (inches): _____

Hydric Soil Present? Yes _____ No ☒

Remarks:

HYDROLOGY

Wetland Hydrology Indicators:

Primary Indicators (minimum of one required; check all that apply)

- ☐ Surface Water (A1)
- ☐ High Water Table (A2)
- ☐ Saturation (A3)
- ☐ Water Marks (B1) (**Nonriverine**)
- ☐ Sediment Deposits (B2) (**Nonriverine**)
- ☐ Drift Deposits (B3) (**Nonriverine**)
- ☐ Surface Soil Cracks (B6)
- ☐ Inundation Visible on Aerial Imagery (B7)
- ☐ Water-Stained Leaves (B9)
- ☐ Salt Crust (B11)
- ☐ Biotic Crust (B12)
- ☐ Aquatic Invertebrates (B13)
- ☐ Hydrogen Sulfide Odor (C1)
- ☐ Oxidized Rhizospheres along Living Roots (C3)
- ☐ Presence of Reduced Iron (C4)
- ☐ Recent Iron Reduction in Tilled Soils (C6)
- ☐ Thin Muck Surface (C7)
- ☐ Other (Explain in Remarks)

Secondary Indicators (2 or more required)

- ☐ Water Marks (B1) (**Riverine**)
- ☐ Sediment Deposits (B2) (**Riverine**)
- ☐ Drift Deposits (B3) (**Riverine**)
- ☒ Drainage Patterns (B10)
- ☒ Dry-Season Water Table (C2)
- ☐ Crayfish Burrows (C8)
- ☐ Saturation Visible on Aerial Imagery (C9)
- ☐ Shallow Aquitard (D3)
- ☒ FAC-Neutral Test (D5)

Field Observations:

Surface Water Present? Yes _____ No ☒ Depth (inches): _____

Water Table Present? Yes _____ No ☒ Depth (inches): _____

Saturation Present? Yes _____ No ☒ Depth (inches): _____
(includes capillary fringe)

Wetland Hydrology Present? Yes ☒ No _____

Describe Recorded Data (stream gauge, monitoring well, aerial photos, previous inspections), if available:

Remarks:

APPENDIX C

EASTERN WASHINGTON WETLAND RATING FORMS

Wetland name or number G

RATING SUMMARY – Eastern Washington

Name of wetland (or ID #): G Date of site visit: 7/24/2021

Rated by Brandon Stimac and Bridget Wojtala Trained by Ecology? ☒ Yes ☐ No Date of training Oct. 2020

HGM Class used for rating Riverine Wetland has multiple HGM classes? ☐ Y ☒ N

NOTE: Form is not complete without the figures requested (figures can be combined).

Source of base aerial photo/map ESRI

OVERALL WETLAND CATEGORY Cat. III (based on functions ☒ or special characteristics ☐)

1. Category of wetland based on FUNCTIONS

☐ **Category I** – Total score = 22-27

☐ **Category II** – Total score = 19-21

☒ **Category III** – Total score = 16-18

☐ **Category IV** – Total score = 9-15

FUNCTION	Improving Water Quality	Hydrologic	Habitat	
<i>Circle the appropriate ratings</i>				
Site Potential	H M <input type="radio"/> L	<input type="radio"/> H M L	H M <input type="radio"/> L	
Landscape Potential	<input type="radio"/> H M L	H <input type="radio"/> M L	H M <input type="radio"/> L	
Value	H M <input type="radio"/> L	<input type="radio"/> H M L	H <input type="radio"/> M L	TOTAL
Score Based on Ratings	5	8	4	17

**Score for each
function based
on three
ratings
(order of ratings
is not
important)**

9 = H,H,H
8 = H,H,M
7 = H,H,L
7 = H,M,M
6 = H,M,L
6 = M,M,M
5 = H,L,L
5 = M,M,L
4 = M,L,L
3 = L,L,L

2. Category based on SPECIAL CHARACTERISTICS of wetland

CHARACTERISTIC	CATEGORY <i>Circle the appropriate category</i>
Vernal Pools	II III
Alkali	I
Wetland of High Conservation Value	I
Bog and Calcareous Fens	I
Old Growth or Mature Forest – slow growing	I
Aspen Forest	I
Old Growth or Mature Forest – fast growing	II
Floodplain forest	II
None of the above	X

Maps and figures required to answer questions correctly for Eastern Washington Depressional Wetlands

Map of:	To answer questions:	Figure #
Cowardin plant classes and classes of emergents	D 1.3, H 1.1, H 1.5	
Hydroperiods (including area of open water for H 1.3)	D 1.4, H 1.2, H 1.3	
Location of outlet (<i>can be added to map of hydroperiods</i>)	D 1.1, D 4.1	
Boundary of area within 150 ft of the wetland (<i>can be added to another figure</i>)	D 2.2, D 5.2	
Map of the contributing basin	D 5.3	
1 km Polygon: Area that extends 1 km from entire wetland edge - including polygons for accessible habitat and undisturbed habitat	H 2.1, H 2.2, H 2.3	
Screen capture of map of 303(d) listed waters in basin (from Ecology website)	D 3.1, D 3.2	
Screen capture of list of TMDLs for WRIA in which wetland is found (website)	D 3.3	

Riverine Wetlands

Map of:	To answer questions:	Figure #
Cowardin plant classes and classes of emergents	H 1.1, H 1.5	1
Hydroperiods	H 1.2, H 1.3	2
Ponded depressions	R 1.1	2
Boundary of area within 150 ft of the wetland (<i>can be added to another figure</i>)	R 2.4	1
Map of the contributing basin	R 2.2, R 2.3, R 5.2	1
Plant cover of trees, shrubs, and herbaceous plants	R 1.2, R 4.2	1-2
Width of wetland vs. width of stream (<i>can be added to another figure</i>)	R 4.1	3
1 km Polygon: Area that extends 1 km from entire wetland edge - including polygons for accessible habitat and undisturbed habitat	H 2.1, H 2.2, H 2.3	4
Screen capture of map of 303(d) listed waters in basin (from Ecology website)	R 3.1	5
Screen capture of list of TMDLs for WRIA in which wetland is found (website)	R 3.2, R 3.3	6

Lake Fringe Wetlands

Map of:	To answer questions:	Figure #
Cowardin plant classes and classes of emergents	L 1.1, L 4.1, H 1.1, H 1.5	
Plant cover of trees, shrubs, and herbaceous plants	L 1.2	
Boundary of area within 150 ft of the wetland (<i>can be added to another figure</i>)	L 2.2	
1 km Polygon: Area that extends 1 km from entire wetland edge - including polygons for accessible habitat and undisturbed habitat	H 2.1, H 2.2, H 2.3	
Screen capture of map of 303(d) listed waters in basin (from Ecology website)	L 3.1, L 3.2	
Screen capture of list of TMDLs for WRIA in which wetland is found (website)	L 3.3	

Slope Wetlands

Map of:	To answer questions:	Figure #
Cowardin plant classes and classes of emergents	H 1.1, H 1.5	
Hydroperiods	H 1.2, H 1.3	
Plant cover of dense trees, shrubs, and herbaceous plants	S 1.3	
Plant cover of dense, rigid trees, shrubs, and herbaceous plants (<i>can be added to figure above</i>)	S 4.1	
Boundary of area within 150 ft of the wetland (<i>can be added to another figure</i>)	S 2.1, S 5.1	
1 km Polygon: Area that extends 1 km from entire wetland edge - including polygons for accessible habitat and undisturbed habitat	H 2.1, H 2.2, H 2.3	
Screen capture of map of 303(d) listed waters in basin (from Ecology website)	S 3.1, S 3.2	
Screen capture of list of TMDLs for WRIA in which wetland is found (website)	S 3.3	

HGM Classification of Wetland in Eastern Washington

For questions 1-4, the criteria described must apply to the entire unit being rated.

If the hydrologic criteria listed in each question do not apply to the entire unit being rated, you probably have a unit with multiple HGM classes. In this case, identify which hydrologic criteria in questions 1-4 apply, and go to Question 5.

1. Does the entire unit **meet both** of the following criteria?

☐ The vegetated part of the wetland is on the water side of the Ordinary High Water Mark of a body of permanent open water (without any plants on the surface) that is at least 20 ac (8 ha) in size
☐ At least 30% of the open water area is deeper than 10 ft (3 m)

NO - go to 2

YES - The wetland class is **Lake Fringe** (Lacustrine Fringe)

2. Does the entire wetland unit **meet all** of the following criteria?

☐ The wetland is on a slope (*slope can be very gradual*),
☐ The water flows through the wetland in one direction (unidirectional) and usually comes from seeps. It may flow subsurface, as sheetflow, or in a swale without distinct banks;
☐ The water leaves the wetland **without being impounded**.

NO - go to 3

YES - The wetland class is **Slope**

NOTE: Surface water does not pond in these type of wetlands except occasionally in very small and shallow depressions or behind hummocks (depressions are usually <3 ft diameter and less than 1 foot deep).

3. Does the entire wetland unit **meet all** of the following criteria?

☒ The unit is in a valley, or stream channel, where it gets inundated by overbank flooding from that stream or river;
☒ The overbank flooding occurs at least once every 10 years.

NO - go to 4

YES - The wetland class is **Riverine**

NOTE: The Riverine wetland can contain depressions that are filled with water when the river is not flooding.

4. Is the entire wetland unit in a topographic depression in which water ponds, or is saturated to the surface, at some time during the year. *This means that any outlet, if present, is higher than the interior of the wetland.*

NO - go to 5

YES - The wetland class is **Depressional**

5. Your wetland unit seems to be difficult to classify and probably contains several different HGM classes. For example, seeps at the base of a slope may grade into a riverine floodplain, or a small stream within a Depressional wetland has a zone of flooding along its sides. **GO BACK AND IDENTIFY WHICH OF THE HYDROLOGIC REGIMES DESCRIBED IN QUESTIONS 1-4 APPLY TO DIFFERENT AREAS IN THE WETLAND UNIT** (make a rough sketch to help you decide). Use the following table to identify the appropriate class to use for the rating system if you have several HGM classes present within the wetland unit being scored.

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NOTE: Use this table only if the class that is recommended in the second column represents 10% or more of the total area of the wetland unit being rated. If the area of the HGM class listed in column 2 is less than 10% of the wetland unit; classify the wetland using the class that represents more than 90% of the total area.

HGM classes within the wetland unit being rated	HGM Class to use in rating
Slope + Riverine	Riverine
Slope + Depressional	Depressional
Slope + Lake Fringe	Lake Fringe
Depressional + Riverine (the riverine portion is within the boundary of depression)	Depressional
Depressional + Lake Fringe	Depressional
Riverine + Lake Fringe	Riverine

*If you are still unable to determine which of the above criteria apply to your wetland, or if you have **more than 2 HGM classes** within a wetland boundary, classify the wetland as Depressional for the rating.*

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RIVERINE WETLANDS		Points (only 1 score per box)
Water Quality Functions - Indicators that the site functions to improve water quality		
R 1.0. Does the site have the potential to improve water quality?		
R 1.1. Area of surface depressions within the Riverine wetland that can trap sediments during a flooding event: Depressions cover $> \frac{1}{3}$ area of wetland points = 6 <u>Depressions cover $> \frac{1}{10}$ area of wetland</u> points = 3 Depressions present but cover $< \frac{1}{10}$ area of wetland points = 1 No depressions present points = 0		3
R 1.2. Structure of plants in the wetland (areas with $>90\%$ cover at person height; not Cowardin classes): Forest or shrub $> \frac{2}{3}$ the area of the wetland points = 10 Forest or shrub $\frac{1}{3} - \frac{2}{3}$ area of the wetland points = 5 Ungrazed, herbaceous plants $> \frac{2}{3}$ area of wetland points = 5 <u>Ungrazed herbaceous plants $\frac{1}{3} - \frac{2}{3}$ area of wetland</u> points = 2 Forest, shrub, and ungrazed herbaceous $< \frac{1}{3}$ area of wetland points = 0		2
Total for R 1	Add the points in the boxes above	5

Rating of Site Potential If score is: 12-16 = H 6-11 = M X 0-5 = L

Record the rating on the first page

R 2.0. Does the landscape have the potential to support the water quality function of the site?		
R 2.1. Is the wetland within an incorporated city or within its UGA?	Yes = 2 <u>No = 0</u>	0
R 2.2. Does the contributing basin include a UGA or incorporated area?	Yes = 1 <u>No = 0</u>	0
R 2.3. Does at least 10% of the contributing basin contain tilled fields, pastures, or forests that have been clearcut within the last 5 years?	<u>Yes = 1</u> No = 0	1
R 2.4. Is $> 10\%$ of the area within 150 ft of wetland in land uses that generate pollutants	<u>Yes = 1</u> No = 0	1
R 2.5. Are there other sources of pollutants coming into the wetland that are not listed in questions R 2.1-R 2.4? Source <u>Septic tank and adjacent horse pasture</u>	<u>Yes = 1</u> No = 0	1
Total for R 2	Add the points in the boxes above	3

Rating of Landscape Potential If score is: X 3-6 = H 1 or 2 = M 0 = L

Record the rating on the first page

R 3.0. Is the water quality improvement provided by the site valuable to society?		
R 3.1. Is the wetland along a stream or river that is on the 303(d) list or on a tributary that drains to one within 1 mi?	Yes = 1 <u>No = 0</u>	0
R 3.2. Does the river or stream have TMDL limits for nutrients, toxics, or pathogens?	Yes = 1 <u>No = 0</u>	0
R 3.3. Has the site been identified in a watershed or local plan as important for maintaining water quality? <i>Answer YES if there is a TMDL for the drainage in which wetland is found.</i>	Yes = 2 <u>No = 0</u>	0
Total for R 3	Add the points in the boxes above	0

Rating of Value If score is: 2-4 = H 1 = M X 0 = L

Record the rating on the first page

RIVERINE WETLANDSPoints
(only 1 score
per box)**Hydrologic Functions** - Indicators that site functions to reduce flooding and stream erosion**R 4.0. Does the site have the potential to reduce flooding and erosion?****R 4.1. Characteristics of the overbank storage the wetland provides:***Estimate the average width of the wetland perpendicular to the direction of the flow and the width of the stream or river channel (distance between banks). Calculate the ratio: (average width of wetland)/(average width of stream between banks).*

If the ratio is more than 2

points = 10

If the ratio is 1-2

points = 8

If the ratio is ½-<1

points = 4

If the ratio is ¼-< ½

points = 2

If the ratio is < ¼

points = 1

10

R 4.2. Characteristics of plants that slow down water velocities during floods: *Treat large woody debris as forest or shrub. Choose the points appropriate for the best description (polygons need to have > 90% cover at person height. These are NOT Cowardin classes).*Forest or shrub for more than $\frac{2}{3}$ the area of the wetland

points = 6

Forest or shrub for $>\frac{1}{3}$ area OR emergent plants $>\frac{2}{3}$ area

points = 4

Forest or shrub for $>\frac{1}{10}$ area OR emergent plants $>\frac{1}{3}$ area

points = 2

Plants do not meet above criteria

points = 0

2

Total for R 5

Add the points in the boxes above

12

Rating of Site Potential If score is: X 12-16 = H 6-11 = M 0-5 = L

Record the rating on the first page

R 5.0. Does the landscape have the potential to support the hydrologic functions of the site?**R 5.1. Is the stream or river adjacent to the wetland downcut?**Yes = 0 No = 1

1

R 5.2. Does the up-gradient watershed include a UGA or incorporated area?Yes = 1 No = 0

0

R 5.3. Is the up-gradient stream or river controlled by dams?Yes = 0 No = 1

1

Total for R 5

Add the points in the boxes above

2

Rating of Landscape Potential If score is: 3 = H X 1 or 2 = M 0 = L

Record the rating on the first page

R 6.0. Are the hydrologic functions provided by the site valuable to society?**R 6.1. Distance to the nearest areas downstream that have flooding problems? *Choose the description that best fits the site.***

The sub-basin immediately down-gradient of site has surface flooding problems that result in damage to human or natural resources

points = 2

Surface flooding problems are in a basin farther down-gradient

points = 1

No flooding problems anywhere downstream

points = 0

2

R 6.2. Has the site been identified as important for flood storage or flood conveyance in a regional flood control plan?Yes = 2 No = 0

0


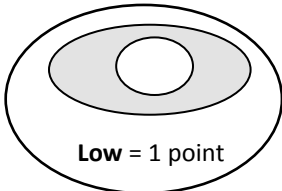
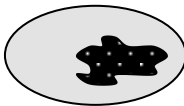
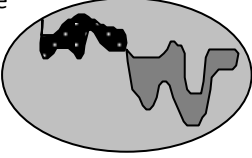
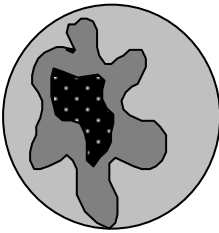
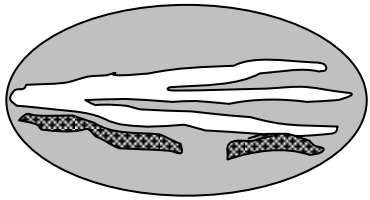
Total for R 6

Add the points in the boxes above

2

Rating of Value If score is: X 2-4 = H 1 = M 0 = L

Record the rating on the first page

These questions apply to wetlands of all HGM classes.		(only 1 score per box)
HABITAT FUNCTIONS - Indicators that site functions to provide important habitat		
H 1.0. Does the wetland have the potential to provide habitat for many species?		
<p>H 1.1. Structure of the plant community: <i>Check the Cowardin vegetation classes present and categories of emergent plants. Size threshold for each category is $\geq \frac{1}{4}$ ac or $\geq 10\%$ of the wetland if wetland is < 2.5 ac.</i></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Aquatic bed</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Emergent plants 0-12 in (0-30 cm) high are the highest layer and have $> 30\%$ cover</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Emergent plants $> 12-40$ in ($> 30-100$ cm) high are the highest layer with $> 30\%$ cover</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Emergent plants > 40 in (> 100 cm) high are the highest layer with $> 30\%$ cover</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Scrub-shrub (areas where shrubs have $> 30\%$ cover)</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Forested (areas where trees have $> 30\%$ cover)</p> <p style="text-align: right;">4 or more checks: points = 3 3 checks: points = 2 2 checks: points = 1 1 check: points = 0</p>	1	
H 1.2. Is one of the vegetation types Aquatic Bed?	Yes = 1 No = 0	0
<p>H 1.3. <u>Surface water</u></p> <p>H 1.3.1. Does the wetland have areas of open water (without emergent or shrub plants) over at least $\frac{1}{4}$ ac OR 10% of its area during the March to early June OR in August to the end of September? <i>Answer YES for Lake Fringe wetlands.</i></p> <p style="text-align: right;">Yes = 3 points & go to H 1.4 No = go to H 1.3.2</p> <p>H 1.3.2. Does the wetland have an intermittent or permanent, and unvegetated stream within its boundaries, or along one side, over at least $\frac{1}{4}$ ac or 10% of its area? <i>Answer yes only if H 1.3.1 is No.</i></p> <p style="text-align: right;">Yes = 3 No = 0</p>	3	
<p>H 1.4. <u>Richness of plant species</u></p> <p>Count the number of plant species in the wetland that cover at least 10 ft^2. <i>Different patches of the same species can be combined to meet the size threshold. You do not have to name the species.</i></p> <p><i>Do not include Eurasian milfoil, reed canarygrass, purple loosestrife, Russian olive, Phragmites, Canadian thistle, yellow-flag iris, and saltcedar (Tamarisk)</i></p> <p># of species <input checked="" type="checkbox"/></p> <p style="text-align: right;">Scoring: > 9 species: points = 2 4-9 species: points = 1 < 4 species: points = 0</p>	0	
<p>H 1.5. <u>Interspersion of habitats</u></p> <p>Decide from the diagrams below whether interspersions among types of plant structures (described in H 1.1), and unvegetated areas (open water or mudflats) is high, moderate, low, or none.</p> <p><i>Use map of Cowardin and emergent plant classes prepared for questions H 1.1 and map of open water from H 1.3. If you have four or more plant classes or three classes and open water, the rating is always high.</i></p> <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-around; align-items: flex-end;"> <div style="text-align: center;">  <p>None = 0 points</p> </div> <div style="text-align: center;">  <p>Low = 1 point</p> </div> <div style="text-align: center;">  <p>Moderate = 2 points</p> </div> </div> <p>All three diagrams in this row are</p> <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-around; align-items: flex-end;"> <div style="text-align: center;">  </div> <div style="text-align: center;">  </div> <div style="text-align: center;">  <p>Riparian braided channels with 2 classes</p> </div> </div> <p>High = 3 points</p>	Figure 1 1	

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H 1.6. Special habitat features <i>Check the habitat features that are present in the wetland. The number of checks is the number of points.</i> <input type="checkbox"/> Loose rocks larger than 4 in OR large, downed, woody debris (> 4 in diameter) within the area of surface ponding or in stream. <input type="checkbox"/> Cattails or bulrushes are present within the wetland. <input type="checkbox"/> Standing snags (diameter at the bottom > 4 in) in the wetland or within 30 m (100 ft) of the edge. <input type="checkbox"/> Emergent or shrub vegetation in areas that are permanently inundated/ponded. <input type="checkbox"/> Stable steep banks of fine material that might be used by beaver or muskrat for denning (> 45 degree slope) OR signs of recent beaver activity <input type="checkbox"/> Invasive species cover less than 20% in each stratum of vegetation (<i>canopy, sub-canopy, shrubs, herbaceous, moss/ground cover</i>)		0
Total for H 1	Add the points in the boxes above	5

Rating of Site Potential If score is: 15-18 = H 7-14 = M X 0-6 = L Record the rating on the first page

H 2.0. Does the landscape have the potential to support habitat functions of the site?		
H 2.1. Accessible habitat (only area of habitat abutting wetland). If total accessible habitat is: <i>Calculate:</i> % undisturbed habitat <u> 0 </u> + [(% moderate and low intensity land uses)/2] <u> 5.6 </u> = <u> 5.6 </u> % > 1/3 (33.3%) of 1 km Polygon points = 3 20-33% of 1km Polygon points = 2 10-19% of 1km Polygon points = 1 <u><10% of 1km Polygon</u> <u>points = 0</u>		0
H 2.2. Undisturbed habitat in 1 km Polygon around wetland. <i>Calculate:</i> % undisturbed habitat <u> 2.0 </u> + [(% moderate and low intensity land uses)/2] <u> 21.4 </u> = <u> 23.4 </u> % Undisturbed habitat > 50% of Polygon points = 3 Undisturbed habitat 10 - 50% and in 1-3 patches points = 2 <u>Undisturbed habitat 10 - 50% and > 3 patches</u> <u>points = 1</u> Undisturbed habitat < 10% of Polygon points = 0		1
H 2.3. Land use intensity in 1 km Polygon: <u>> 50% of Polygon is high intensity land use</u> <u>points = (- 2)</u> Does not meet criterion above points = 0		-2
H 2.4. The wetland is in an area where annual rainfall is less than 12 in, and its water regime is not influenced by irrigation practices, dams, or water control structures. Generally, this means outside boundaries of reclamation areas, irrigation districts, or reservoirs Hatchery is upstream Yes = 3 <u>No = 0</u>		0
Total for H 2	Add the points in the boxes above	-1

Rating of Landscape Potential If score is: 4-9 = H 1-3 = M X < 1 = L Record the rating on the first page

H 3.0. Is the habitat provided by the site valuable to society?		
H 3.1. Does the site provide habitat for species valued in laws, regulations, or policies? Choose the highest score that applies to the wetland being rated Site meets ANY of the following criteria: points = 2 — It has 3 or more priority habitats within 100 m (see Appendix B) — It provides habitat for Threatened or Endangered species (any plant or animal on state or federal lists) — It is mapped as a location for an individual WDFW species — It is a Wetland of High Conservation Value as determined by the Department of Natural Resources — It has been categorized as an important habitat site in a local or regional comprehensive plan, in a Shoreline Master Plan, or in a watershed plan <u>Site has 1 or 2 priority habitats within 100 m (see Appendix B)</u> <u>points = 1</u> Site does not meet any of the criteria above points = 0		1

Rating of Value If score is: 2 = H X 1 = M 0 = L Record the rating on the first page

CATEGORIZATION BASED ON SPECIAL CHARACTERISTICS

Please determine if the wetland meets the attributes described below and circle the appropriate category. NOTE: A wetland may meet the criteria for more than one set of special characteristics. Record all those that apply. NOTE: All wetlands should also be characterized based on their functions.

Wetland Type	Category
<i>Check off any criteria that apply to the wetland. Circle the category when the appropriate criteria are met.</i>	
SC 1.0. Vernal pools Is the wetland less than 4000 ft² , and does it meet at least two of the following criteria? — Its only source of water is rainfall or snowmelt from a small contributing basin and has no groundwater input. — Wetland plants are typically present only in the spring; the summer vegetation is typically upland annuals. <i>If you find perennial, obligate, wetland plants, the wetland is probably NOT a vernal pool.</i> — The soil in the wetland is shallow [< 1 ft (30 cm) deep] and is underlain by an impermeable layer such as basalt or clay. — Surface water is present for less than 120 days during the wet season. <div style="text-align: right;">Yes – Go to SC 1.1 No = Not a vernal pool</div>	
SC 1.1. Is the vernal pool relatively undisturbed in February and March? <div style="text-align: right;">Yes – Go to SC 1.2 No = Not a vernal pool with special characteristics</div>	
SC 1.2. Is the vernal pool in an area where there are at least 3 separate aquatic resources within 0.5 mi (other wetlands, rivers, lakes etc.)? <div style="text-align: right;">Yes = Category II No = Category III</div>	Cat. II Cat. III
SC 2.0. Alkali wetlands Does the wetland meet one of the following criteria? — The wetland has a conductivity > 3.0 mS/cm. — The wetland has a conductivity between 2.0 and 3.0 mS, and more than 50% of the plant cover in the wetland can be classified as “alkali” species (see Table 4 for list of plants found in alkali systems). — If the wetland is dry at the time of your field visit, the central part of the area is covered with a layer of salt. OR does the wetland unit meet two of the following three sub-criteria? — Salt encrustations around more than 75% of the edge of the wetland — More than $\frac{3}{4}$ of the plant cover consists of species listed on Table 4 — A pH above 9.0. All alkali wetlands have a high pH, but please note that some freshwater wetlands may also have a high pH. Thus, pH alone is not a good indicator of alkali wetlands. <div style="text-align: right;">Yes = Category I No = Not an alkali wetland</div>	Cat. I
SC 3.0. Wetlands of High Conservation Value (WHCV) SC 3.1. Has the WA Department of Natural Resources updated their website to include the list of Wetlands of High Conservation Value? <div style="text-align: right;">Yes – Go to SC 3.2 No – Go to SC 3.3</div> SC 3.2. Is the wetland listed on the WDNR database as a Wetland of High Conservation Value? <div style="text-align: right;">Yes = Category I No = Not a WHCV</div> SC 3.3. Is the wetland in a Section/Township/Range that contains a Natural Heritage wetland? http://www1.dnr.wa.gov/nhp/refdesk/datasearch/wnhpwetlands.pdf <div style="text-align: right;">Yes – Contact WNHP/WDNR and go to SC 3.4 No = Not a WHCV</div> SC 3.4. Has WDNR identified the wetland within the S/T/R as a Wetland of High Conservation Value and it is listed on their website? <div style="text-align: right;">Yes = Category I No = Not a WHCV</div>	Cat. I

SC 4.0 Bogs and Calcareous Fens Does the wetland (or any part of the wetland unit) meet both the criteria for soils and vegetation in bogs or calcareous fens? <i>Use the key below to identify if the wetland is a bog or calcareous fen. If you answer yes you will still need to rate the wetland based on its functions.</i>		
SC 4.1. Does an area within the wetland have organic soil horizons (i.e., layers of organic soil), either peats or mucks, that compose 16 in or more of the first 32 in of the soil profile? <i>See Appendix C for a field key to identify organic soils.</i>	Yes – Go to SC 4.3 No – Go to SC 4.2	
SC 4.2. Does an area within the wetland have organic soils, either peats or mucks, that are less than 16 in deep over bedrock or an impermeable hardpan such as clay or volcanic ash, or that are floating on top of a lake or pond?	Yes – Go to SC 4.3 No = Is not a bog for rating	
SC 4.3. Does an area within the wetland have more than 70% cover of mosses at ground level AND at least 30% of the total plant cover consists of species in Table 5? NOTE: If you are uncertain about the extent of mosses in the understory, you may substitute that criterion by measuring the pH of the water that seeps into a hole dug at least 16 in deep. If the pH is less than 5.0 and the plant species in Table 5 are present, the wetland is a bog.	Yes = Category I bog No – Go to SC 4.4	
SC 4.4. Is an area with peats or mucks forested (> 30% cover) with subalpine fir, western red cedar, western hemlock, lodgepole pine, quaking aspen, Engelmann spruce, or western white pine, AND any of the species (or combination of species) listed in Table 5 provide more than 30% of the cover under the canopy?	Yes = Category I bog No – Go to SC 4.5	Cat. I
SC 4.5. Do the species listed in Table 6 comprise at least 20% of the total plant cover within an area of peats and mucks?	Yes = Is a Calcareous Fen for purpose of rating No – Go to SC 4.6	
SC 4.6. Do the species listed in Table 6 comprise at least 10% of the total plant cover in an area of peats and mucks, AND one of the two following conditions is met: — Marl deposits [calcium carbonate (CaCO ₃) precipitate] occur on the soil surface or plant stems — The pH of free water is ≥ 6.8 AND electrical conductivity is ≥ 200 uS/cm at multiple locations within the wetland	Yes = Is a Category I calcareous fen No = Is not a calcareous fen	Cat. I
SC 5.0. Forested Wetlands Does the wetland have an area of forest rooted within its boundary that meets at least one of the following three criteria? <i>(Continue only if you have identified that a forested class is present in question H 1.1)</i> — The wetland is within the 100 year floodplain of a river or stream — Aspen (<i>Populus tremuloides</i>) represents at least 20% of the total cover of woody species — There is at least ¼ ac of trees (even in wetlands smaller than 2.5 ac) that are “mature” or “old-growth” according to the definitions for these priority habitats developed by WDFW <i>(see definitions in question H3.1)</i>		
Yes – Go to SC 5.1 No = Not a forested wetland with special characteristics		
SC 5.1. Does the wetland have a forest canopy where more than 50% of the tree species (by cover) are slow growing native trees <i>(see Table 7)?</i>	Yes = Category I No – Go to SC 5.2	Cat. I
SC 5.2. Does the wetland have areas where aspen (<i>Populus tremuloides</i>) represents at least 20% of the total cover of woody species?	Yes = Category I No – Go to SC 5.3	Cat. I
SC 5.3. Does the wetland have at least ¼ acre with a forest canopy where more than 50% of the tree species (by cover) are fast growing species <i>(see Table 7)?</i>	Yes = Category II No – Go to SC 5.4	Cat. II
SC 5.4. Is the forested component of the wetland within the 100 year floodplain of a river or stream?	Yes = Category II No = Not a forested wetland with special characteristics	Cat. II
Category of wetland based on Special Characteristics <i>Choose the highest rating if wetland falls into several categories</i> If you answered No for all types, enter “Not Applicable” on Summary Form		N/A

Appendix B: WDFW Priority Habitats in Eastern Washington

Priority habitats listed by WDFW (see complete descriptions of WDFW priority habitats, and the counties in which they can be found, in: Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife. 2008. Priority Habitat and Species List. Olympia, Washington. 177 pp. <http://wdfw.wa.gov/publications/00165/wdfw00165.pdf> or access the list from here: <http://wdfw.wa.gov/conservation/phs/list/>)

Count how many of the following priority habitats are within 330 ft (100 m) of the wetland: **NOTE:** *This question is independent of the land use between the wetland and the priority habitat.*

- **Aspen Stands:** Pure or mixed stands of aspen greater than 1 ac (0.4 ha).
- **Biodiversity Areas and Corridors:** Areas of habitat that are relatively important to various species of native fish and wildlife (*full descriptions in WDFW PHS report*).
- **Old-growth/Mature forests:** Old-growth east of Cascade crest – Stands are highly variable in tree species composition and structural characteristics due to the influence of fire, climate, and soils. In general, stands will be >150 years of age, with 10 trees/ac (25 trees/ha) that are > 21 in (53 cm) dbh, and 1-3 snags/ac (2.5-7.5 snags/ha) that are > 12-14 in (30-35 cm) diameter. Downed logs may vary from abundant to absent. Canopies may be single or multi-layered. Evidence of human-caused alterations to the stand will be absent or so slight as to not affect the ecosystem's essential structures and functions. Mature forests – Stands with average diameters exceeding 21 in (53 cm) dbh; crown cover may be less than 100%; decay, decadence, numbers of snags, and quantity of large downed material is generally less than that found in old-growth; 80-200 years old west and 80-160 years old east of the Cascade crest.
- **Oregon White Oak:** Woodland stands of pure oak or oak/conifer associations where canopy coverage of the oak component is important (*full descriptions in WDFW PHS report p. 158 – see web link above*).
- ☒ **Riparian:** The area adjacent to aquatic systems with flowing water that contains elements of both aquatic and terrestrial ecosystems which mutually influence each other.
- ☒ **Instream:** The combination of physical, biological, and chemical processes and conditions that interact to provide functional life history requirements for instream fish and wildlife resources.
- **Caves:** A naturally occurring cavity, recess, void, or system of interconnected passages under the earth in soils, rock, ice, or other geological formations and is large enough to contain a human.
- **Cliffs:** Greater than 25 ft (7.6 m) high and occurring below 5000 ft elevation.
- **Talus:** Homogenous areas of rock rubble ranging in average size 0.5 - 6.5 ft (0.15 - 2.0 m), composed of basalt, andesite, and/or sedimentary rock, including riprap slides and mine tailings. May be associated with cliffs.
- **Snags and Logs:** Trees are considered snags if they are dead or dying and exhibit sufficient decay characteristics to enable cavity excavation/use by wildlife. Priority snags have a diameter at breast height of > 12 in (30 cm) in eastern Washington and are > 6.5 ft (2 m) in height. Priority logs are > 12 in (30 cm) in diameter at the largest end, and > 20 ft (6 m) long.
- **Shrub-steppe:** A nonforested vegetation type consisting of one or more layers of perennial bunchgrasses and a conspicuous but discontinuous layer of shrubs (see Eastside Steppe for sites with little or no shrub cover).
- **Eastside Steppe:** Nonforested vegetation type dominated by broadleaf herbaceous flora (i.e., forbs), perennial bunchgrasses, or a combination of both. Bluebunch wheatgrass (*Pseudoroegneria spicata*) is often the prevailing cover component along with Idaho fescue (*Festuca idahoensis*), Sandberg bluegrass (*Poa secunda*), rough fescue (*F. campestris*), or needlegrasses (*Achnatherum* spp.).
- **Juniper Savannah:** All juniper woodlands.

Note: All vegetated wetlands are by definition a priority habitat but are not included in this list because they are addressed elsewhere.

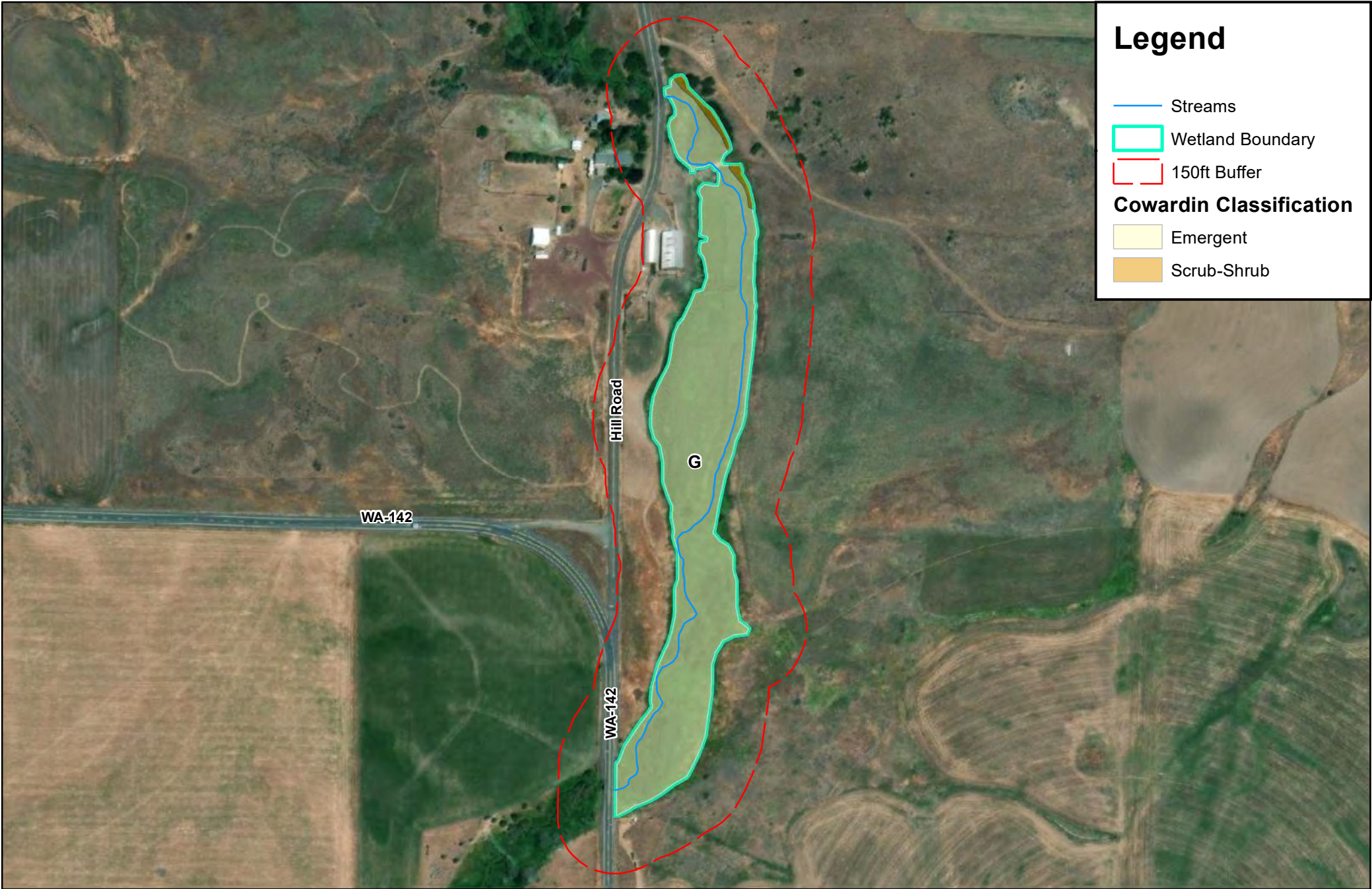
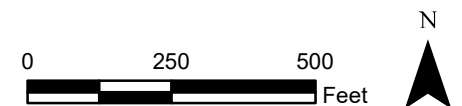


Figure 1. Wetland G Cowardin Classifications

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Legend

Streams

Wetland Boundary

Hydroperiods

Saturated Only

Seasonally Flooded or Inundated

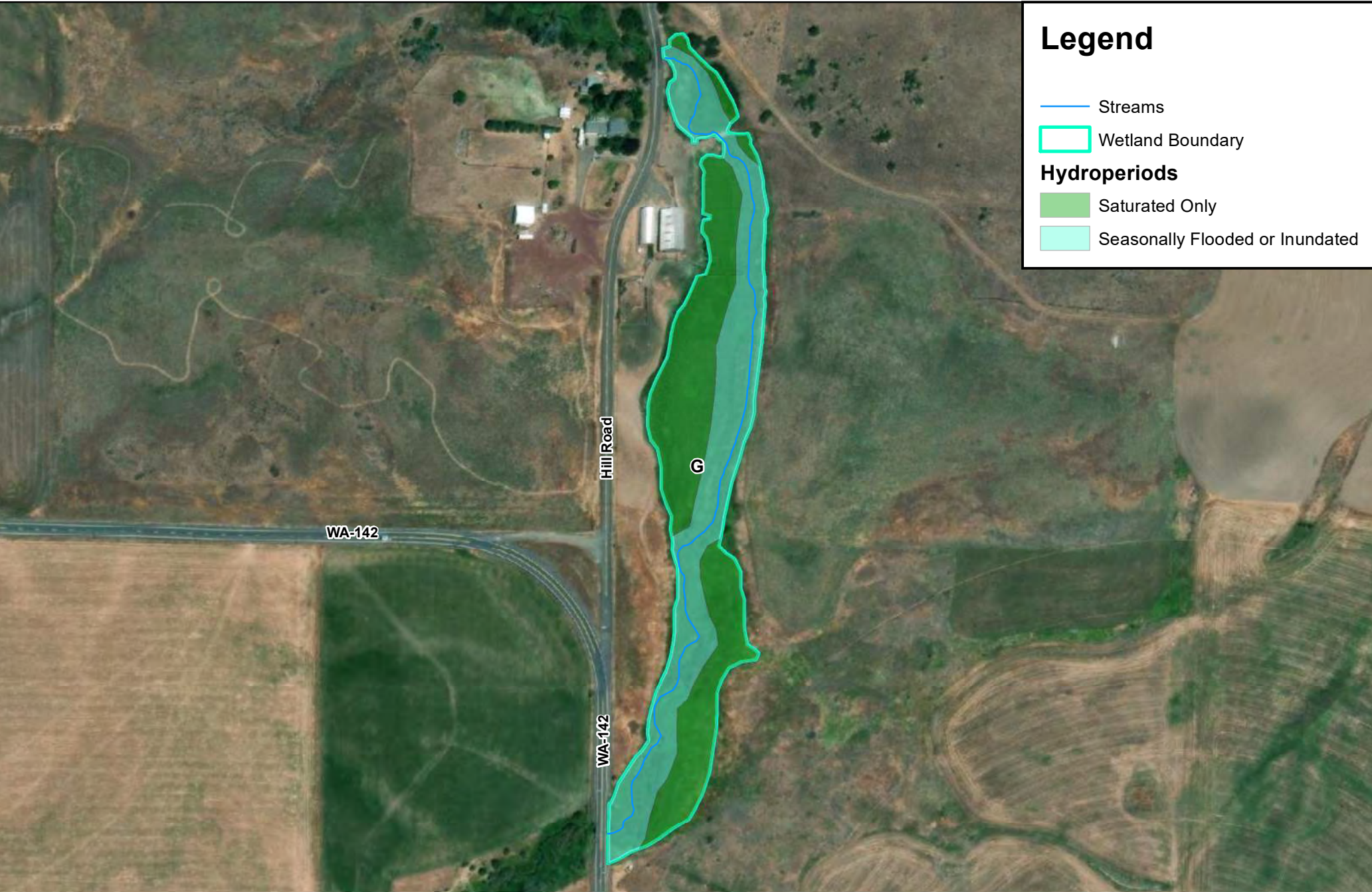


Figure 2. Wetland G Hydroperiods
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Legend

- Streams
- Wetlands
- Contributing Basin

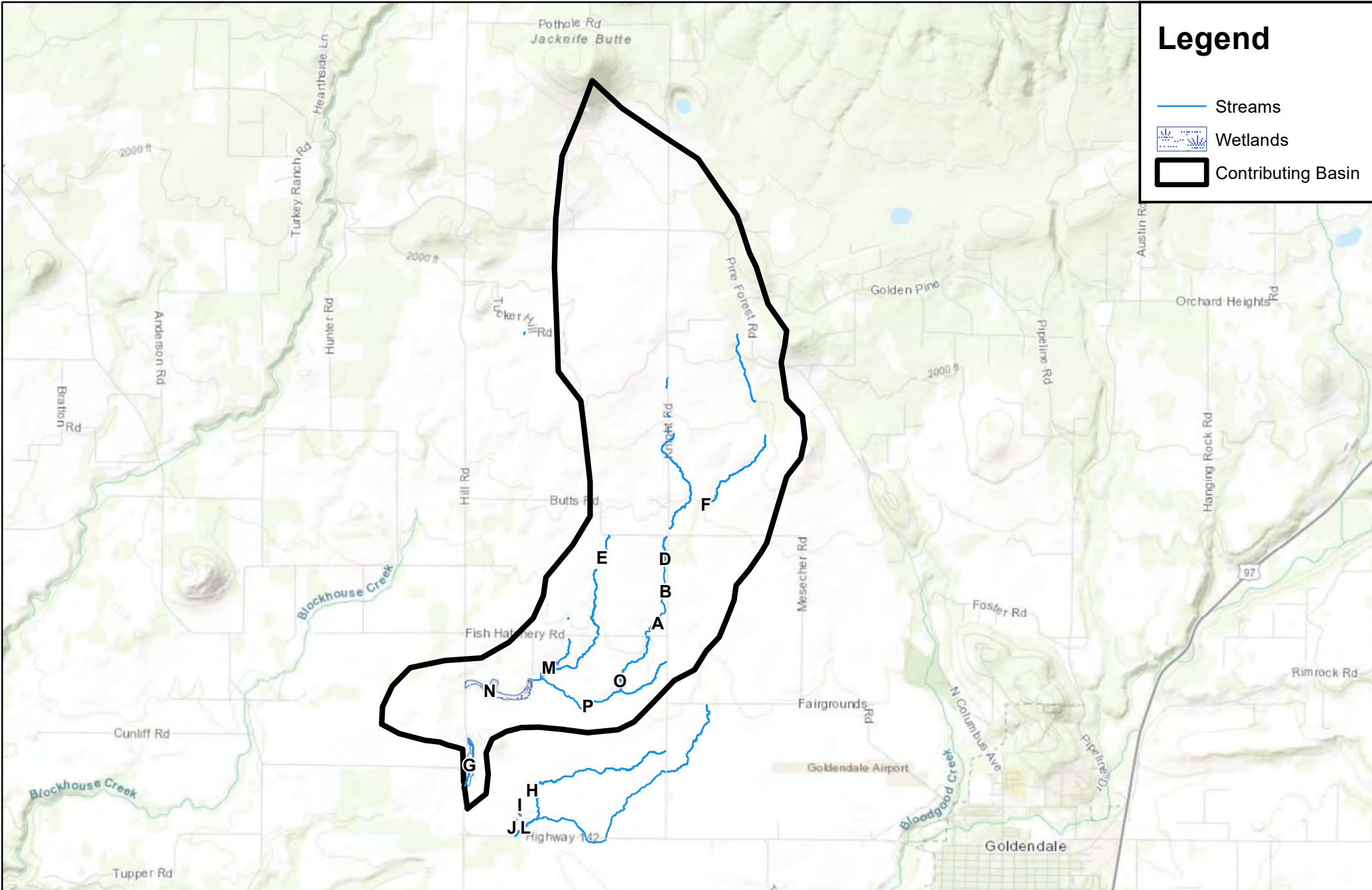
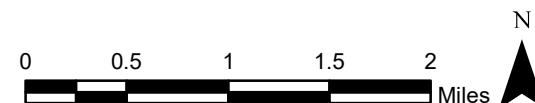


Figure 3. Wetland G Contributing Basin

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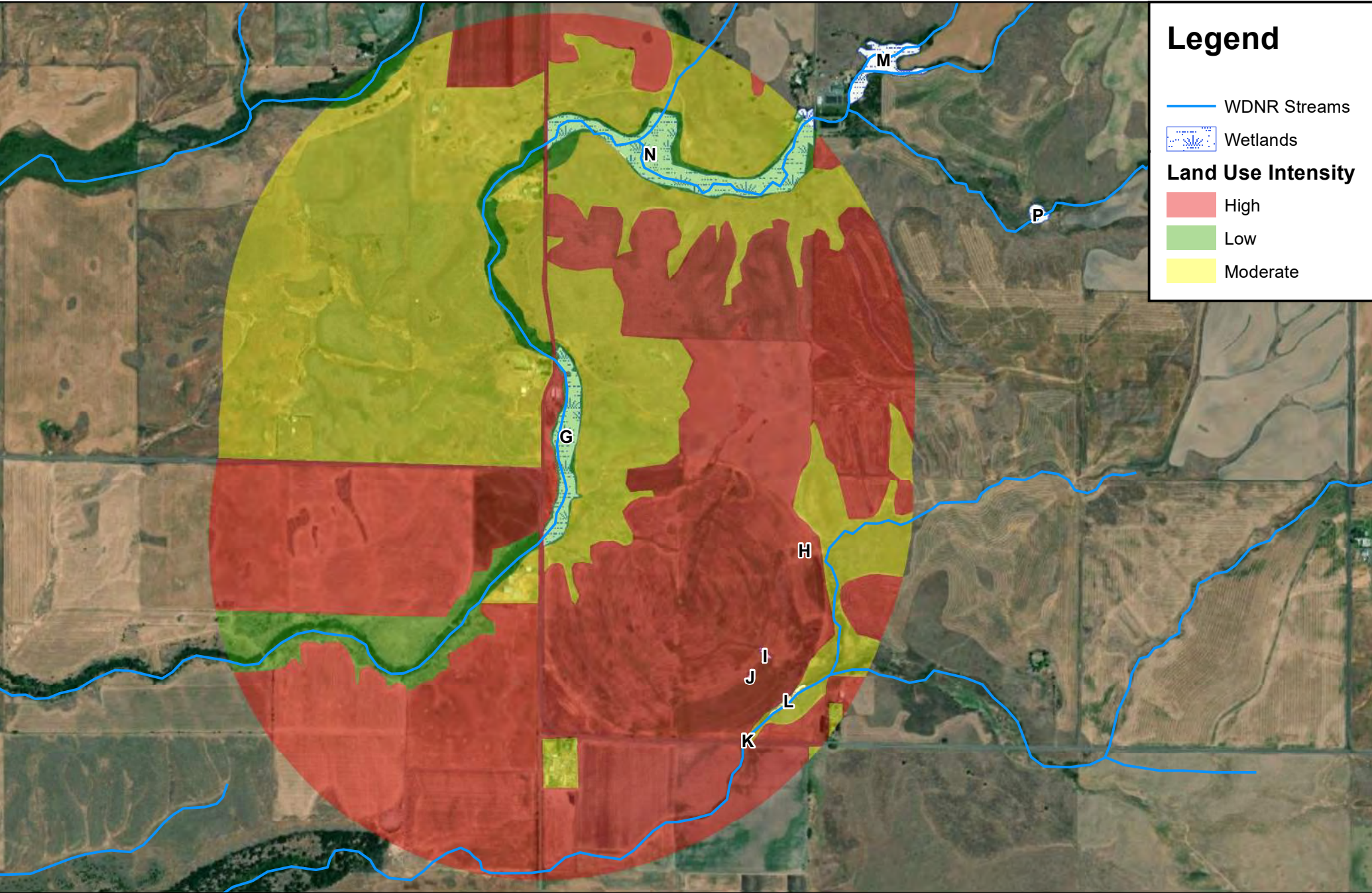
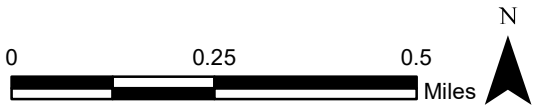


Figure 4. Wetland G Land Use and Habitat Map

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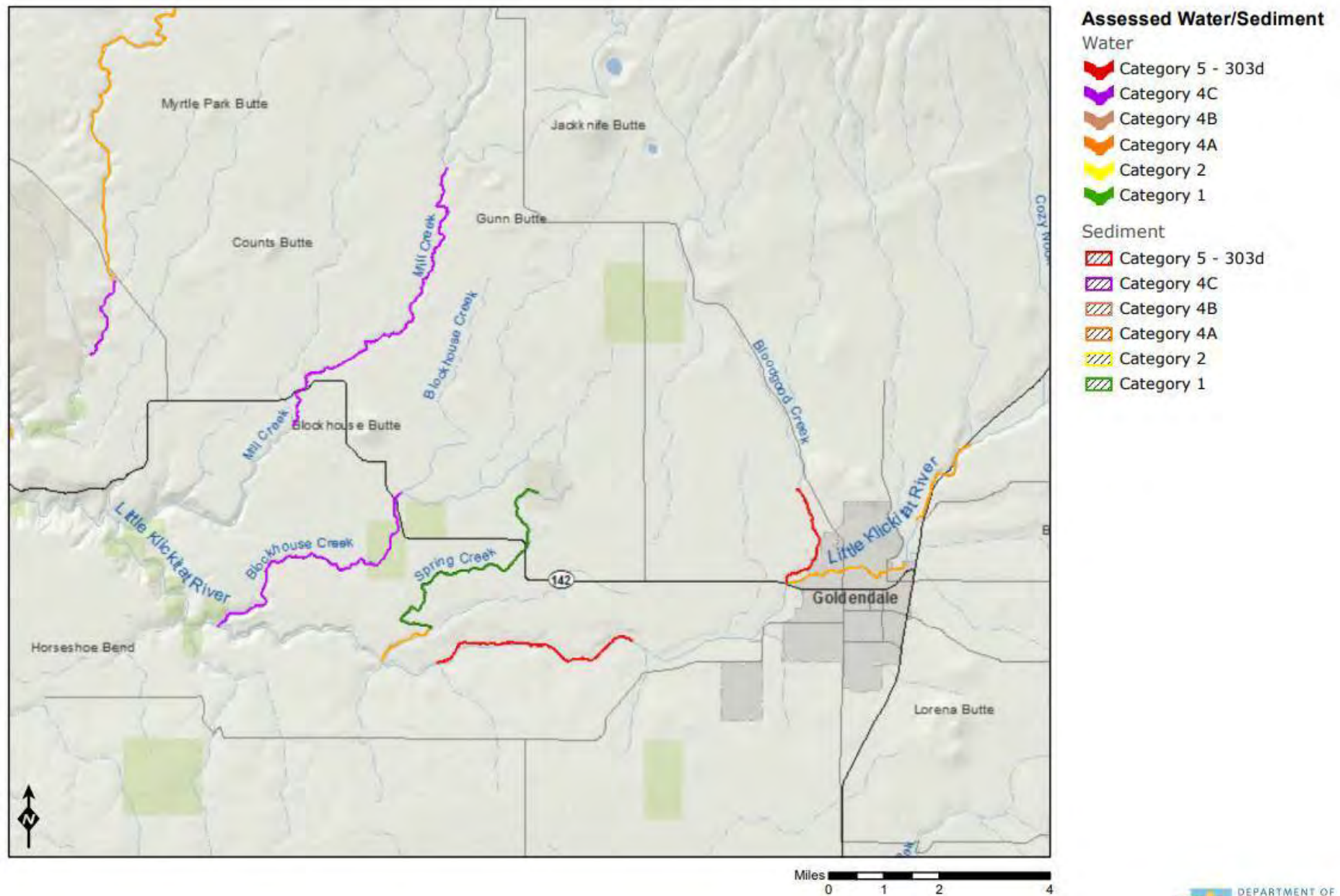


Figure 5. 303(d) Listed Waters in Little Klickitat River Basin (WRIA 30)

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Klickitat County

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Water quality improvement projects

Select the waterbody or pollutant name to find more information about the specific project.

Waterbody Name(s)	Pollutant(s)	Status	Project Lead(s)
Little Klickitat River	BOD (5-day) Chlorine	EPA approved	Mark Peterschmidt 509-454-7843
Little Klickitat River Watershed	Temperature	EPA approved and Has an implementation plan	Mark Peterschmidt 509-454-7843

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Figure 6. TMDL's in Klickitat County (WRIA 29, 30, 31, and 37)

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RATING SUMMARY – Eastern Washington

Name of wetland (or ID #): H Date of site visit: 7/24/2021

Rated by Brandon Stimac and Bridget Wojtala Trained by Ecology? ☒ Yes ☐ No Date of training Oct. 2020

HGM Class used for rating Depressional Wetland has multiple HGM classes? ☐ Y ☒ N

NOTE: Form is not complete without the figures requested (figures can be combined).

Source of base aerial photo/map ESRI

OVERALL WETLAND CATEGORY Cat. IV (based on functions ☒ or special characteristics ☐)

1. Category of wetland based on FUNCTIONS

☐ **Category I** – Total score = 22-27

☐ **Category II** – Total score = 19-21

☐ **Category III** – Total score = 16-18

☒ **Category IV** – Total score = 9-15

FUNCTION	Improving Water Quality	Hydrologic	Habitat	
<i>Circle the appropriate ratings</i>				
Site Potential	H (M) L	H (M) L	H M (L)	
Landscape Potential	H (M) L	H (M) L	H M (L)	
Value	(H) M L	H M (L)	H M (L)	TOTAL
Score Based on Ratings	7	5	3	15

**Score for each
function based
on three
ratings
(order of ratings
is not
important)**

9 = H,H,H

8 = H,H,M

7 = H,H,L

7 = H,M,M

6 = H,M,L

6 = M,M,M

5 = H,L,L

5 = M,M,L

4 = M,L,L

3 = L,L,L

2. Category based on SPECIAL CHARACTERISTICS of wetland

CHARACTERISTIC	CATEGORY <i>Circle the appropriate category</i>
Vernal Pools	II III
Alkali	I
Wetland of High Conservation Value	I
Bog and Calcareous Fens	I
Old Growth or Mature Forest – slow growing	I
Aspen Forest	I
Old Growth or Mature Forest – fast growing	II
Floodplain forest	II
None of the above	X

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Maps and figures required to answer questions correctly for Eastern Washington Depressional Wetlands

Map of:	To answer questions:	Figure #
Cowardin plant classes and classes of emergents	D 1.3, H 1.1, H 1.5	1
Hydroperiods (including area of open water for H 1.3)	D 1.4, H 1.2, H 1.3	2
Location of outlet (<i>can be added to map of hydroperiods</i>)	D 1.1, D 4.1	2
Boundary of area within 150 ft of the wetland (<i>can be added to another figure</i>)	D 2.2, D 5.2	1
Map of the contributing basin	D 5.3	3
1 km Polygon: Area that extends 1 km from entire wetland edge - including polygons for accessible habitat and undisturbed habitat	H 2.1, H 2.2, H 2.3	4
Screen capture of map of 303(d) listed waters in basin (from Ecology website)	D 3.1, D 3.2	5
Screen capture of list of TMDLs for WRIA in which wetland is found (website)	D 3.3	6

Riverine Wetlands

Map of:	To answer questions:	Figure #
Cowardin plant classes and classes of emergents	H 1.1, H 1.5	
Hydroperiods	H 1.2, H 1.3	
Ponded depressions	R 1.1	
Boundary of area within 150 ft of the wetland (<i>can be added to another figure</i>)	R 2.4	
Map of the contributing basin	R 2.2, R 2.3, R 5.2	
Plant cover of trees, shrubs, and herbaceous plants	R 1.2, R 4.2	
Width of wetland vs. width of stream (<i>can be added to another figure</i>)	R 4.1	
1 km Polygon: Area that extends 1 km from entire wetland edge - including polygons for accessible habitat and undisturbed habitat	H 2.1, H 2.2, H 2.3	
Screen capture of map of 303(d) listed waters in basin (from Ecology website)	R 3.1	
Screen capture of list of TMDLs for WRIA in which wetland is found (website)	R 3.2, R 3.3	

Lake Fringe Wetlands

Map of:	To answer questions:	Figure #
Cowardin plant classes and classes of emergents	L 1.1, L 4.1, H 1.1, H 1.5	
Plant cover of trees, shrubs, and herbaceous plants	L 1.2	
Boundary of area within 150 ft of the wetland (<i>can be added to another figure</i>)	L 2.2	
1 km Polygon: Area that extends 1 km from entire wetland edge - including polygons for accessible habitat and undisturbed habitat	H 2.1, H 2.2, H 2.3	
Screen capture of map of 303(d) listed waters in basin (from Ecology website)	L 3.1, L 3.2	
Screen capture of list of TMDLs for WRIA in which wetland is found (website)	L 3.3	

Slope Wetlands

Map of:	To answer questions:	Figure #
Cowardin plant classes and classes of emergents	H 1.1, H 1.5	
Hydroperiods	H 1.2, H 1.3	
Plant cover of dense trees, shrubs, and herbaceous plants	S 1.3	
Plant cover of dense, rigid trees, shrubs, and herbaceous plants (<i>can be added to figure above</i>)	S 4.1	
Boundary of area within 150 ft of the wetland (<i>can be added to another figure</i>)	S 2.1, S 5.1	
1 km Polygon: Area that extends 1 km from entire wetland edge - including polygons for accessible habitat and undisturbed habitat	H 2.1, H 2.2, H 2.3	
Screen capture of map of 303(d) listed waters in basin (from Ecology website)	S 3.1, S 3.2	
Screen capture of list of TMDLs for WRIA in which wetland is found (website)	S 3.3	

HGM Classification of Wetland in Eastern Washington

For questions 1-4, the criteria described must apply to the entire unit being rated.

If the hydrologic criteria listed in each question do not apply to the entire unit being rated, you probably have a unit with multiple HGM classes. In this case, identify which hydrologic criteria in questions 1-4 apply, and go to Question 5.

1. Does the entire unit **meet both** of the following criteria?

☐ The vegetated part of the wetland is on the water side of the Ordinary High Water Mark of a body of permanent open water (without any plants on the surface) that is at least 20 ac (8 ha) in size
☐ At least 30% of the open water area is deeper than 10 ft (3 m)

NO - go to 2

YES - The wetland class is **Lake Fringe** (Lacustrine Fringe)

2. Does the entire wetland unit **meet all** of the following criteria?

☐ The wetland is on a slope (*slope can be very gradual*),
☐ The water flows through the wetland in one direction (unidirectional) and usually comes from seeps. It may flow subsurface, as sheetflow, or in a swale without distinct banks;
☐ The water leaves the wetland **without being impounded**.

NO - go to 3

YES - The wetland class is **Slope**

NOTE: Surface water does not pond in these type of wetlands except occasionally in very small and shallow depressions or behind hummocks (depressions are usually <3 ft diameter and less than 1 foot deep).

3. Does the entire wetland unit **meet all** of the following criteria?

☐ The unit is in a valley, or stream channel, where it gets inundated by overbank flooding from that stream or river;
☐ The overbank flooding occurs at least once every 10 years.

NO - go to 4

YES - The wetland class is **Riverine**

NOTE: The Riverine wetland can contain depressions that are filled with water when the river is not flooding.

4. Is the entire wetland unit in a topographic depression in which water ponds, or is saturated to the surface, at some time during the year. *This means that any outlet, if present, is higher than the interior of the wetland.*

NO - go to 5

YES - The wetland class is **Depressional**

5. Your wetland unit seems to be difficult to classify and probably contains several different HGM classes. For example, seeps at the base of a slope may grade into a riverine floodplain, or a small stream within a Depressional wetland has a zone of flooding along its sides. **GO BACK AND IDENTIFY WHICH OF THE HYDROLOGIC REGIMES DESCRIBED IN QUESTIONS 1-4 APPLY TO DIFFERENT AREAS IN THE WETLAND UNIT** (make a rough sketch to help you decide). Use the following table to identify the appropriate class to use for the rating system if you have several HGM classes present within the wetland unit being scored.

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NOTE: Use this table only if the class that is recommended in the second column represents 10% or more of the total area of the wetland unit being rated. If the area of the HGM class listed in column 2 is less than 10% of the wetland unit; classify the wetland using the class that represents more than 90% of the total area.

HGM classes within the wetland unit being rated	HGM Class to use in rating
Slope + Riverine	Riverine
Slope + Depressional	Depressional
Slope + Lake Fringe	Lake Fringe
Depressional + Riverine (the riverine portion is within the boundary of depression)	Depressional
Depressional + Lake Fringe	Depressional
Riverine + Lake Fringe	Riverine

*If you are still unable to determine which of the above criteria apply to your wetland, or if you have **more than 2 HGM classes** within a wetland boundary, classify the wetland as Depressional for the rating.*

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DEPRESSIONAL WETLANDS

Water Quality Functions - Indicators that the site functions to improve water quality

Points
(only 1
score per
box)

D 1.0. Does the site have the potential to improve water quality?

D 1.1. Characteristics of surface water outflows from the wetland:

Wetland has no surface water outlet

points = 5

Wetland has an intermittently flowing outlet

points = 3

Wetland has a highly constricted permanently flowing outlet

points = 3

Wetland has a permanently flowing, unconstricted, surface outlet

points = 1

5

D 1.2. The soil 2 in below the surface (or duff layer) is true clay or true organic (use NRCS definitions of soils)

YES = 3 NO = 0

0

D 1.3. Characteristics of persistent vegetation (Emergent, Scrub-shrub, and/or Forested Cowardin classes)

Wetland has persistent, ungrazed, vegetation for $> \frac{2}{3}$ of area

points = 5

Wetland has persistent, ungrazed, vegetation from $\frac{1}{3}$ to $\frac{2}{3}$ of area

points = 3

Wetland has persistent, ungrazed vegetation from $\frac{1}{10}$ to $< \frac{1}{3}$ of area

points = 1

Wetland has persistent, ungrazed vegetation $< \frac{1}{10}$ of area

points = 0

3

D 1.4. Characteristics of seasonal ponding or inundation:

This is the area of ponding that fluctuates every year. Do not count the area that is permanently ponded.

Area seasonally ponded is $> \frac{1}{2}$ total area of wetland

points = 3

Area seasonally ponded is $\frac{1}{4}$ - $\frac{1}{2}$ total area of wetland

points = 1

Area seasonally ponded is $< \frac{1}{4}$ total area of wetland

points = 0

0

Total for D 1

Add the points in the boxes above

8

Rating of Site Potential If score is: 12- 16 = H X 6- 11 = M 0- 5 = L

Record the rating on the first page

D 2.0. Does the landscape have the potential to support the water quality function of the site?

D 2.1. Does the wetland receive stormwater discharges?

Yes = 1 No = 0

0

D 2.2. Is $> 10\%$ of the area within 150 ft of the wetland in land uses that generate pollutants?

Yes = 1 No = 0

1

D 2.3. Are there septic systems within 250 ft of the wetland?

Yes = 1 No = 0

0

D 2.4. Are there other sources of pollutants coming into the wetland that are not listed in questions

D 2.1- D 2.3? Source _____

Yes = 1 No = 0

0

Total for D 2

Add the points in the boxes above

1

Rating of Landscape Potential If score is: 3 or 4 = H X 1 or 2 = M 0 = L

Record the rating on the first page

D 3.0. Is the water quality improvement provided by the site valuable to society?

D 3.1. Does the wetland discharge directly (i.e., within 1 mi) to a stream, river, or lake that is on the 303(d) list?

Yes = 1 No = 0

0

D 3.2. Is the wetland in a basin or sub-basin where water quality is an issue in some aquatic resource [303(d) list, eutrophic lakes, problems with nuisance and toxic algae]?

Yes = 1 No = 0

1

D 3.3. Has the site been identified in a watershed or local plan as important for maintaining water quality (answer YES if there is a TMDL for the drainage or basin in which the wetland is found)?

Yes = 2 No = 0

2

Total for D 3

Add the points in the boxes above

3

Rating of Value If score is: X 2-4 = H 1 = M 0 = L

Record the rating on the first page

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DEPRESSIONAL WETLANDS

Hydrologic Functions - Indicators that the site functions to reduce flooding and erosion.

Points
(only 1 score
per box)

D 4.0. Does the site have the potential to reduce flooding and erosion?

D 4.1. Characteristics of surface water outflows from the wetland:

Wetland has no surface water outlet

points = 8

Wetland has an intermittently flowing outlet

points = 4

Wetland has a highly constricted permanently flowing outlet

points = 4

Wetland has a permanently flowing unconfined surface outlet

points = 0

(If outlet is a ditch and not permanently flowing treat wetland as "intermittently flowing")

8

D 4.2. Depth of storage during wet periods: Estimate the height of ponding above the bottom of the outlet. For wetlands with no outlet, measure from the surface of permanent water or deepest part (if dry).

Seasonal ponding: > 3 ft above the lowest point in wetland or the surface of permanent ponding points = 8

Seasonal ponding: 2 ft - < 3 ft above the lowest point in wetland or the surface of permanent ponding points = 6

The wetland is a headwater wetland points = 4

Seasonal ponding: 1 ft - < 2 ft points = 4

Seasonal ponding: 6 in - < 1 ft points = 2

Seasonal ponding: < 6 in or wetland has only saturated soils

points = 0

0

Total for D 4

Add the points in the boxes above

8

Rating of Site Potential If score is: 12-16 = H X 6-11 = M 0-5 = L

Record the rating on the first page

D 5.0. Does the landscape have the potential to support the hydrologic functions of the site?

D 5.1. Does the wetland receive stormwater discharges?

Yes = 1 No = 0

0

D 5.2. Is > 10% of the area within 150 ft of the wetland in a land use that generates runoff?

Yes = 1 No = 0

1

D 5.3. Is more than 25% of the contributing basin of the wetland covered with intensive human land uses?

Yes = 1 No = 0

1

Total for D 5

Add the points in the boxes above

2

Rating of Landscape Potential If score is: 3 = H X 1 or 2 = M 0 = L

Record the rating on the first page

D 6.0. Are the hydrologic functions provided by the site valuable to society?

D 6.1. The wetland is in a landscape that has flooding problems.

Choose the description that best matches conditions around the wetland being rated. Do not add points.

Choose the highest score if more than one condition is met.

The wetland captures surface water that would otherwise flow down-gradient into areas where flooding has damaged human or natural resources (e.g., houses or salmon redds), AND

Flooding occurs in sub-basin that is immediately down-gradient of wetland

points = 2

Surface flooding problems are in a sub-basin farther down-gradient

points = 1

The existing or potential outflow from the wetland is so constrained by human or natural conditions that the water stored by the wetland cannot reach areas that flood.

0

Explain why The wetland receives and stores very little water in the watershed.

points = 0

There are no problems with flooding downstream of the wetland

points = 0

D 6.2. Has the site been identified as important for flood storage or flood conveyance in a regional flood control plan?

Yes = 2 No = 0

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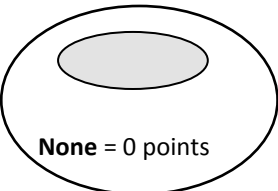
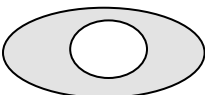

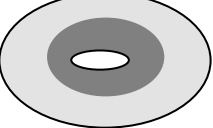
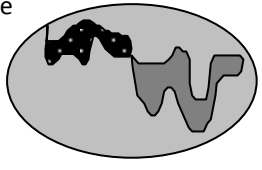
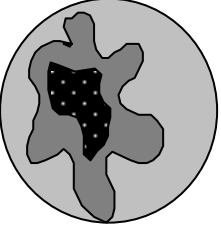
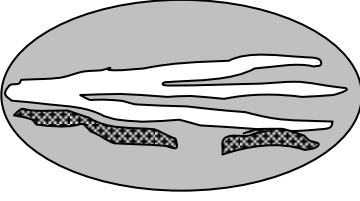
Total for D 6

Add the points in the boxes above

0

Rating of Value If score is: 2-4 = H 1 = M X 0 = L

Record the rating on the first page

These questions apply to wetlands of all HGM classes.		(only 1 score per box)
HABITAT FUNCTIONS - Indicators that site functions to provide important habitat		
H 1.0. Does the wetland have the potential to provide habitat for many species?		
<p>H 1.1. Structure of the plant community: <i>Check the Cowardin vegetation classes present and categories of emergent plants. Size threshold for each category is $\geq \frac{1}{4}$ ac or $\geq 10\%$ of the wetland if wetland is < 2.5 ac.</i></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Aquatic bed</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Emergent plants 0-12 in (0-30 cm) high are the highest layer and have $> 30\%$ cover</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Emergent plants $> 12-40$ in ($> 30-100$ cm) high are the highest layer with $> 30\%$ cover</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Emergent plants > 40 in (> 100 cm) high are the highest layer with $> 30\%$ cover</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Scrub-shrub (areas where shrubs have $> 30\%$ cover)</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Forested (areas where trees have $> 30\%$ cover)</p> <p style="text-align: right;">4 or more checks: points = 3 3 checks: points = 2 2 checks: points = 1 1 check: points = 0</p>	1	
<p>H 1.2. Is one of the vegetation types Aquatic Bed?</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Yes = 1 No = 0</p>	1	
<p>H 1.3. <u>Surface water</u></p> <p>H 1.3.1. Does the wetland have areas of open water (without emergent or shrub plants) over at least $\frac{1}{4}$ ac OR 10% of its area during the March to early June OR in August to the end of September? <i>Answer YES for Lake Fringe wetlands.</i></p> <p style="text-align: right;">Yes = 3 points & go to H 1.4 No = go to H 1.3.2</p> <p>H 1.3.2. Does the wetland have an intermittent or permanent, and unvegetated stream within its boundaries, or along one side, over at least $\frac{1}{4}$ ac or 10% of its area? <i>Answer yes only if H 1.3.1 is No.</i></p> <p style="text-align: right;">Yes = 3 No = 0</p>	0	
<p>H 1.4. <u>Richness of plant species</u></p> <p>Count the number of plant species in the wetland that cover at least 10 ft^2. <i>Different patches of the same species can be combined to meet the size threshold. You do not have to name the species.</i></p> <p><i>Do not include Eurasian milfoil, reed canarygrass, purple loosestrife, Russian olive, Phragmites, Canadian thistle, yellow-flag iris, and saltcedar (Tamarisk)</i></p> <p># of species <u>6</u></p> <p style="text-align: right;">Scoring: > 9 species: points = 2 4-9 species: points = 1 < 4 species: points = 0</p>	1	
<p>H 1.5. <u>Interspersion of habitats</u></p> <p>Decide from the diagrams below whether interspersions among types of plant structures (described in H 1.1), and unvegetated areas (open water or mudflats) is high, moderate, low, or none.</p> <p><i>Use map of Cowardin and emergent plant classes prepared for questions H 1.1 and map of open water from H 1.3. If you have four or more plant classes or three classes and open water, the rating is always high.</i></p> <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-around; align-items: flex-end;"> <div style="text-align: center;">  <p>None = 0 points</p> </div> <div style="text-align: center;">  <p>Low = 1 point</p> </div> <div style="text-align: center;">  <p>Moderate = 2 points</p> </div> <div style="text-align: center;">  </div> </div> <p>All three diagrams in this row are High = 3 points</p> <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-around; align-items: flex-end;">    </div> <p style="text-align: right;">Riparian braided channels with 2 classes</p>	Figure 1 0	

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H 1.6. Special habitat features <i>Check the habitat features that are present in the wetland. The number of checks is the number of points.</i> <input type="checkbox"/> Loose rocks larger than 4 in OR large, downed, woody debris (> 4 in diameter) within the area of surface ponding or in stream. <input type="checkbox"/> Cattails or bulrushes are present within the wetland. <input type="checkbox"/> Standing snags (diameter at the bottom > 4 in) in the wetland or within 30 m (100 ft) of the edge. <input type="checkbox"/> Emergent or shrub vegetation in areas that are permanently inundated/ponded. <input type="checkbox"/> Stable steep banks of fine material that might be used by beaver or muskrat for denning (> 45 degree slope) OR signs of recent beaver activity <input type="checkbox"/> Invasive species cover less than 20% in each stratum of vegetation (<i>canopy, sub-canopy, shrubs, herbaceous, moss/ground cover</i>)		0
Total for H 1	Add the points in the boxes above	2

Rating of Site Potential If score is: 15-18 = H 7-14 = M X 0-6 = L Record the rating on the first page

H 2.0. Does the landscape have the potential to support habitat functions of the site?		
H 2.1. Accessible habitat (only area of habitat abutting wetland). If total accessible habitat is: <i>Calculate:</i> % undisturbed habitat <u>0</u> + [(% moderate and low intensity land uses)/2] <u>0</u> = <u>0</u> % > 1/3 (33.3%) of 1 km Polygon points = 3 20-33% of 1km Polygon points = 2 10-19% of 1km Polygon points = 1 <u><10% of 1km Polygon</u> points = 0		0
H 2.2. Undisturbed habitat in 1 km Polygon around wetland. <i>Calculate:</i> % undisturbed habitat <u>0</u> + [(% moderate and low intensity land uses)/2] <u>14.9</u> = <u>14.9</u> % Undisturbed habitat > 50% of Polygon points = 3 Undisturbed habitat 10 - 50% and in 1-3 patches points = 2 <u>Undisturbed habitat 10 - 50% and > 3 patches</u> points = 1 Undisturbed habitat < 10% of Polygon points = 0		1
H 2.3. Land use intensity in 1 km Polygon: <u>> 50% of Polygon is high intensity land use</u> points = (- 2) Does not meet criterion above points = 0		-2
H 2.4. The wetland is in an area where annual rainfall is less than 12 in, and its water regime is not influenced by irrigation practices, dams, or water control structures. Generally, this means outside boundaries of reclamation areas, irrigation districts, or reservoirs Yes = 3 <u>No = 0</u>		0
Total for H 2	Add the points in the boxes above	-1

Rating of Landscape Potential If score is: 4-9 = H 1-3 = M X < 1 = L Record the rating on the first page

H 3.0. Is the habitat provided by the site valuable to society?		
H 3.1. Does the site provide habitat for species valued in laws, regulations, or policies? Choose the highest score that applies to the wetland being rated Site meets ANY of the following criteria: points = 2 — It has 3 or more priority habitats within 100 m (see Appendix B) — It provides habitat for Threatened or Endangered species (any plant or animal on state or federal lists) — It is mapped as a location for an individual WDFW species — It is a Wetland of High Conservation Value as determined by the Department of Natural Resources — It has been categorized as an important habitat site in a local or regional comprehensive plan, in a Shoreline Master Plan, or in a watershed plan Site has 1 or 2 priority habitats within 100 m (see Appendix B) points = 1 <u>Site does not meet any of the criteria above</u> points = 0		0

Rating of Value If score is: 2 = H 1 = M X 0 = L Record the rating on the first page

CATEGORIZATION BASED ON SPECIAL CHARACTERISTICS

Please determine if the wetland meets the attributes described below and circle the appropriate category. NOTE: A wetland may meet the criteria for more than one set of special characteristics. Record all those that apply. NOTE: All wetlands should also be characterized based on their functions.

Wetland Type	Category
<i>Check off any criteria that apply to the wetland. Circle the category when the appropriate criteria are met.</i>	
SC 1.0. Vernal pools Is the wetland less than 4000 ft² , and does it meet at least two of the following criteria? — Its only source of water is rainfall or snowmelt from a small contributing basin and has no groundwater input. — Wetland plants are typically present only in the spring; the summer vegetation is typically upland annuals. <i>If you find perennial, obligate, wetland plants, the wetland is probably NOT a vernal pool.</i> — The soil in the wetland is shallow [< 1 ft (30 cm) deep] and is underlain by an impermeable layer such as basalt or clay. — Surface water is present for less than 120 days during the wet season. <div style="text-align: right;">Yes – Go to SC 1.1 No = Not a vernal pool</div>	
SC 1.1. Is the vernal pool relatively undisturbed in February and March? <div style="text-align: right;">Yes – Go to SC 1.2 No = Not a vernal pool with special characteristics</div>	
SC 1.2. Is the vernal pool in an area where there are at least 3 separate aquatic resources within 0.5 mi (other wetlands, rivers, lakes etc.)? <div style="text-align: right;">Yes = Category II No = Category III</div>	Cat. II Cat. III
SC 2.0. Alkali wetlands Does the wetland meet one of the following criteria? — The wetland has a conductivity > 3.0 mS/cm. — The wetland has a conductivity between 2.0 and 3.0 mS, and more than 50% of the plant cover in the wetland can be classified as “alkali” species (see Table 4 for list of plants found in alkali systems). — If the wetland is dry at the time of your field visit, the central part of the area is covered with a layer of salt. OR does the wetland unit meet two of the following three sub-criteria? — Salt encrustations around more than 75% of the edge of the wetland — More than $\frac{3}{4}$ of the plant cover consists of species listed on Table 4 — A pH above 9.0. All alkali wetlands have a high pH, but please note that some freshwater wetlands may also have a high pH. Thus, pH alone is not a good indicator of alkali wetlands. <div style="text-align: right;">Yes = Category I No = Not an alkali wetland</div>	Cat. I
SC 3.0. Wetlands of High Conservation Value (WHCV) SC 3.1. Has the WA Department of Natural Resources updated their website to include the list of Wetlands of High Conservation Value? <div style="text-align: right;">Yes – Go to SC 3.2 No – Go to SC 3.3</div> SC 3.2. Is the wetland listed on the WDNR database as a Wetland of High Conservation Value? <div style="text-align: right;">Yes = Category I No = Not a WHCV</div> SC 3.3. Is the wetland in a Section/Township/Range that contains a Natural Heritage wetland? http://www1.dnr.wa.gov/nhp/refdesk/datasearch/wnhpwetlands.pdf <div style="text-align: right;">Yes – Contact WNHP/WDNR and go to SC 3.4 No = Not a WHCV</div> SC 3.4. Has WDNR identified the wetland within the S/T/R as a Wetland of High Conservation Value and it is listed on their website? <div style="text-align: right;">Yes = Category I No = Not a WHCV</div>	Cat. I

Cat. I

N/A

Appendix B: WDFW Priority Habitats in Eastern Washington

Priority habitats listed by WDFW (see complete descriptions of WDFW priority habitats, and the counties in which they can be found, in: Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife. 2008. Priority Habitat and Species List. Olympia, Washington. 177 pp. <http://wdfw.wa.gov/publications/00165/wdfw00165.pdf> or access the list from here: <http://wdfw.wa.gov/conservation/phs/list/>)

Count how many of the following priority habitats are within 330 ft (100 m) of the wetland: **NOTE:** *This question is independent of the land use between the wetland and the priority habitat.*

- **Aspen Stands:** Pure or mixed stands of aspen greater than 1 ac (0.4 ha).
- **Biodiversity Areas and Corridors:** Areas of habitat that are relatively important to various species of native fish and wildlife (*full descriptions in WDFW PHS report*).
- **Old-growth/Mature forests:** Old-growth east of Cascade crest – Stands are highly variable in tree species composition and structural characteristics due to the influence of fire, climate, and soils. In general, stands will be >150 years of age, with 10 trees/ac (25 trees/ha) that are > 21 in (53 cm) dbh, and 1-3 snags/ac (2.5-7.5 snags/ha) that are > 12-14 in (30-35 cm) diameter. Downed logs may vary from abundant to absent. Canopies may be single or multi-layered. Evidence of human-caused alterations to the stand will be absent or so slight as to not affect the ecosystem's essential structures and functions. Mature forests – Stands with average diameters exceeding 21 in (53 cm) dbh; crown cover may be less than 100%; decay, decadence, numbers of snags, and quantity of large downed material is generally less than that found in old-growth; 80-200 years old west and 80-160 years old east of the Cascade crest.
- **Oregon White Oak:** Woodland stands of pure oak or oak/conifer associations where canopy coverage of the oak component is important (*full descriptions in WDFW PHS report p. 158 – see web link above*).
- **Riparian:** The area adjacent to aquatic systems with flowing water that contains elements of both aquatic and terrestrial ecosystems which mutually influence each other.
- **Instream:** The combination of physical, biological, and chemical processes and conditions that interact to provide functional life history requirements for instream fish and wildlife resources.
- **Caves:** A naturally occurring cavity, recess, void, or system of interconnected passages under the earth in soils, rock, ice, or other geological formations and is large enough to contain a human.
- **Cliffs:** Greater than 25 ft (7.6 m) high and occurring below 5000 ft elevation.
- **Talus:** Homogenous areas of rock rubble ranging in average size 0.5 - 6.5 ft (0.15 - 2.0 m), composed of basalt, andesite, and/or sedimentary rock, including riprap slides and mine tailings. May be associated with cliffs.
- **Snags and Logs:** Trees are considered snags if they are dead or dying and exhibit sufficient decay characteristics to enable cavity excavation/use by wildlife. Priority snags have a diameter at breast height of > 12 in (30 cm) in eastern Washington and are > 6.5 ft (2 m) in height. Priority logs are > 12 in (30 cm) in diameter at the largest end, and > 20 ft (6 m) long.
- **Shrub-steppe:** A nonforested vegetation type consisting of one or more layers of perennial bunchgrasses and a conspicuous but discontinuous layer of shrubs (see Eastside Steppe for sites with little or no shrub cover).
- **Eastside Steppe:** Nonforested vegetation type dominated by broadleaf herbaceous flora (i.e., forbs), perennial bunchgrasses, or a combination of both. Bluebunch wheatgrass (*Pseudoroegneria spicata*) is often the prevailing cover component along with Idaho fescue (*Festuca idahoensis*), Sandberg bluegrass (*Poa secunda*), rough fescue (*F. campestris*), or needlegrasses (*Achnatherum* spp.).
- **Juniper Savannah:** All juniper woodlands.

Note: All vegetated wetlands are by definition a priority habitat but are not included in this list because they are addressed elsewhere.

Legend

- Streams
- Wetland Boundary
- 150ft Buffer

Cowardin Classification

- Emergent

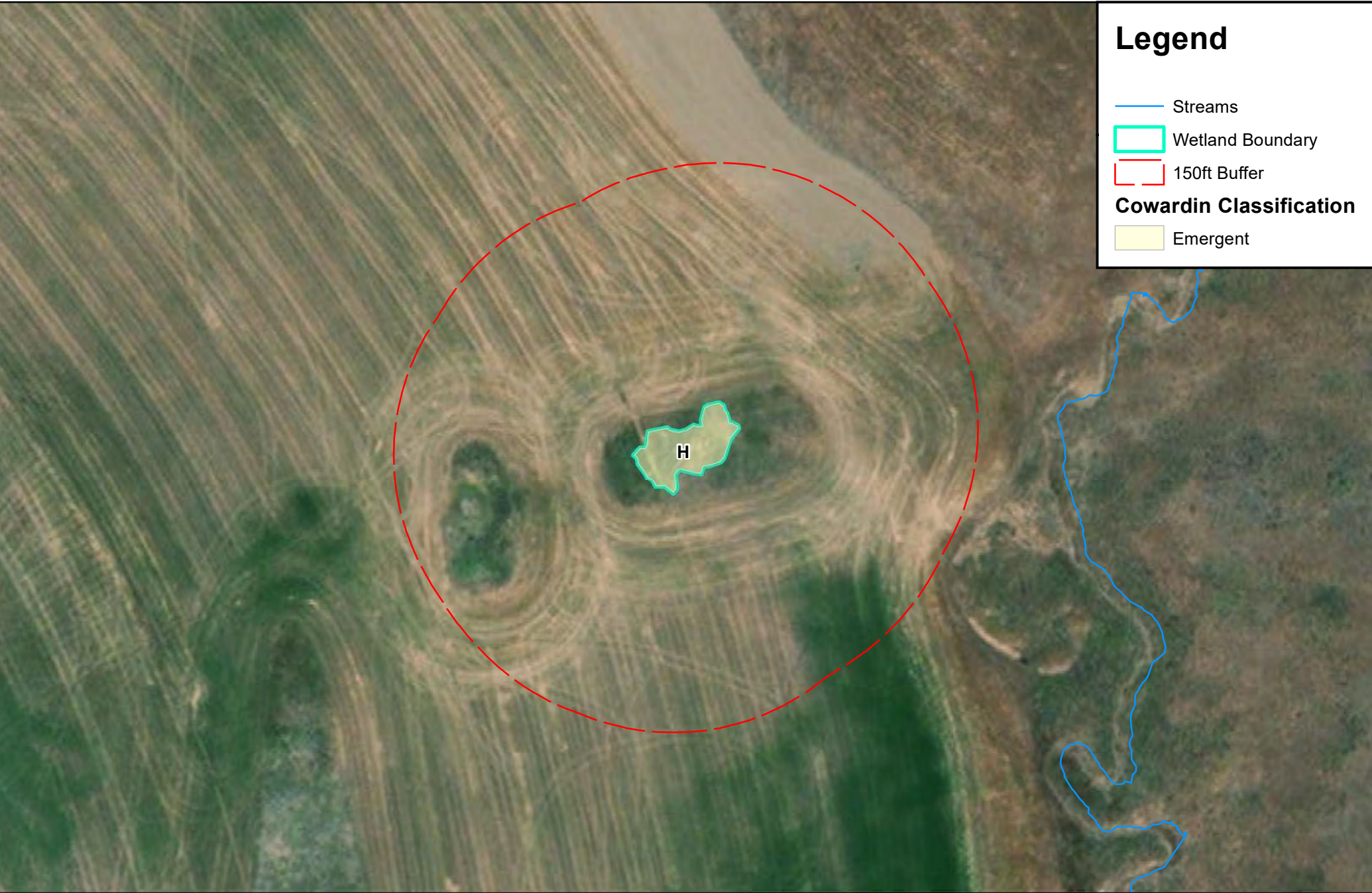
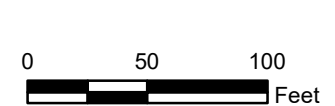


Figure 1. Wetland H Cowardin Classifications

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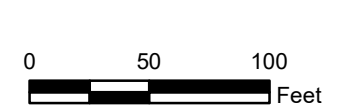


Legend

- Streams
- Wetland Boundary
- Hydroperiods**
 - Saturated Only



Figure 2. Wetland H Hydroperiods
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Legend

- Streams
- Wetlands
- Contributing Basin

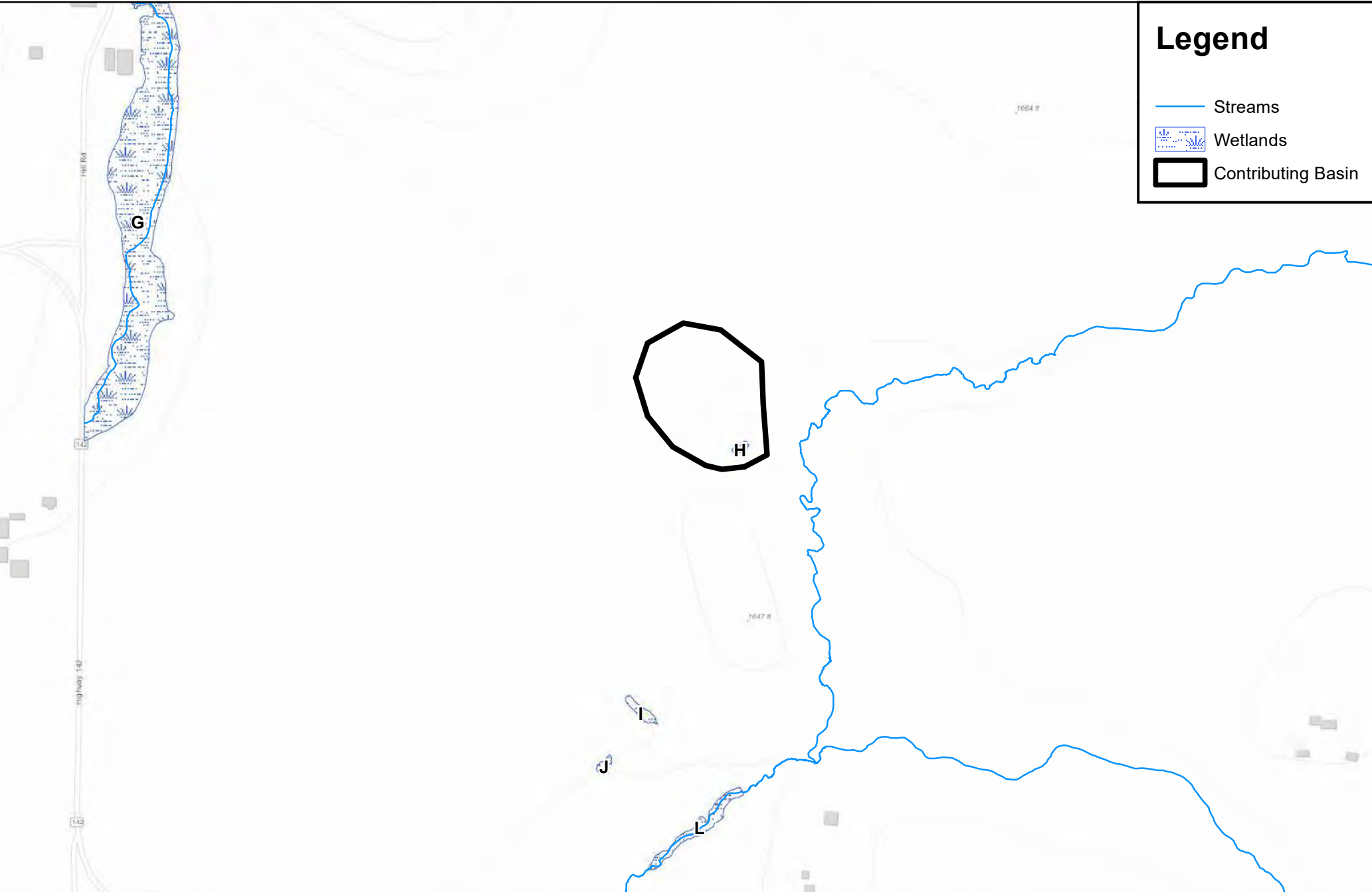
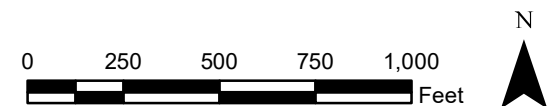
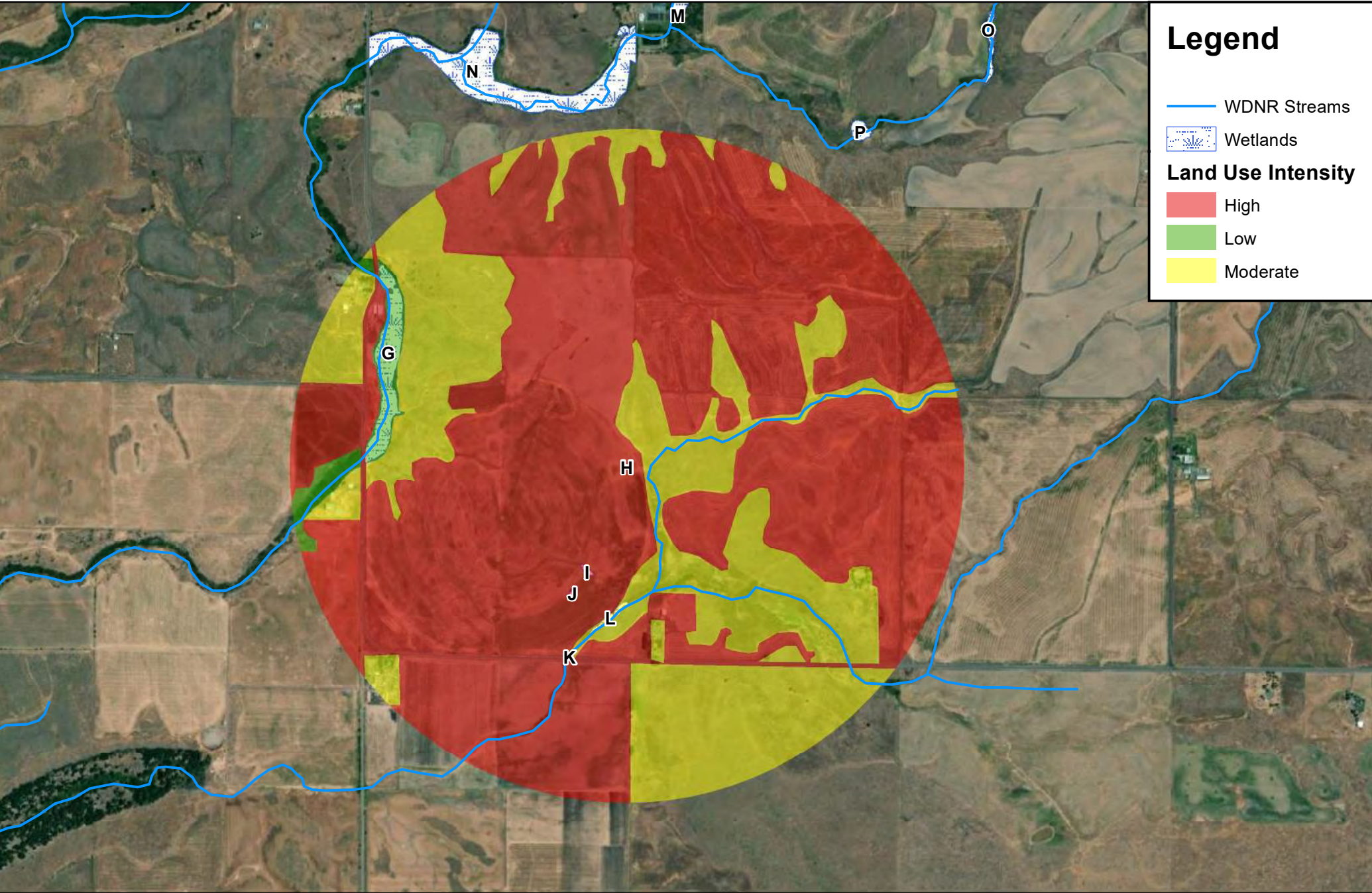


Figure 3. Wetland H Contributing Basin
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Legend

WDNR Streams

Wetlands

Land Use Intensity

High

Low

Moderate

Figure 4. Wetland H Land Use and Habitat Map
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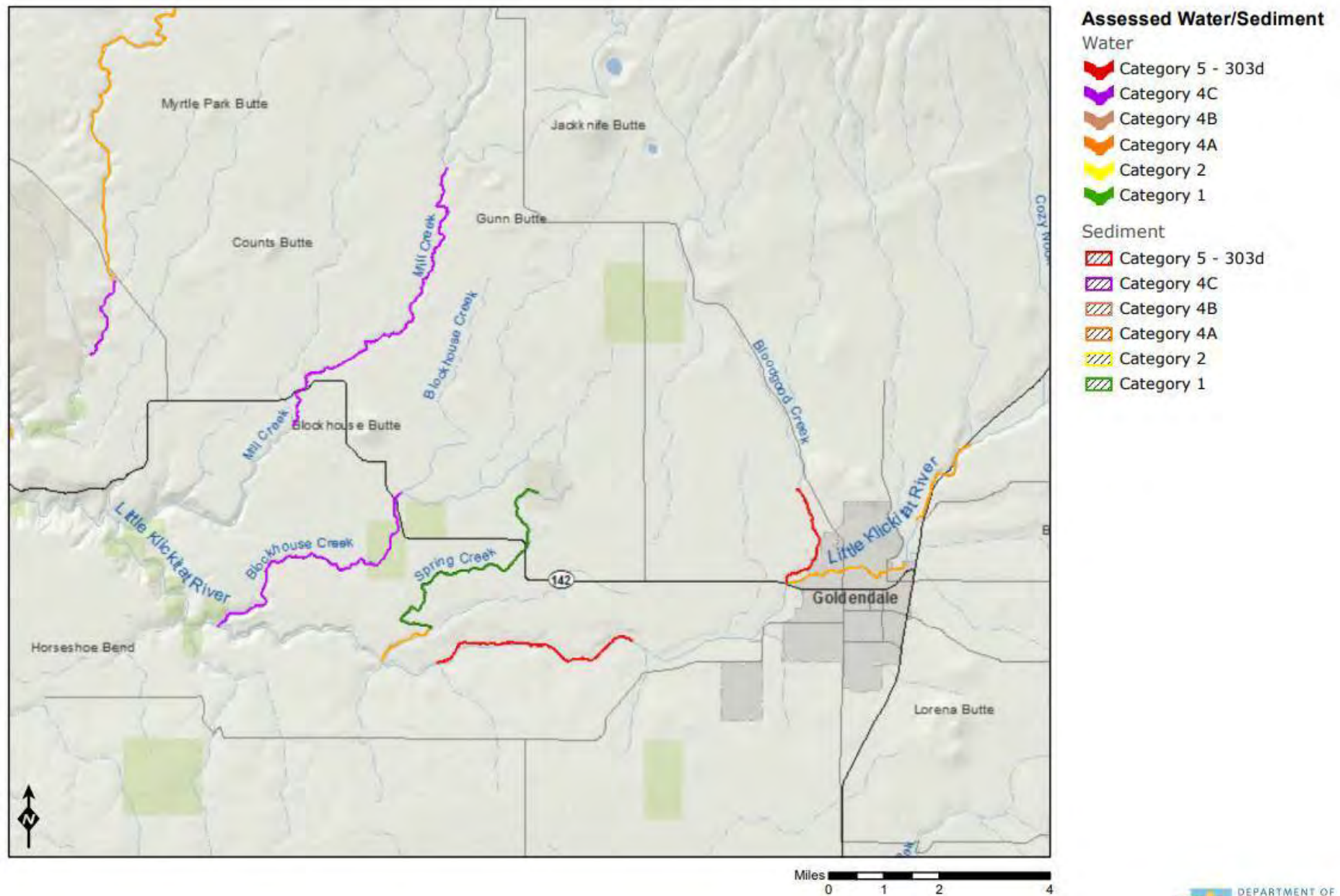


Figure 5. 303(d) Listed Waters in Little Klickitat River Basin (WRIA 30)

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Klickitat County

Ecology homepage > Water & Shorelines > Water improvement > Total Maximum Daily Load process > Directory of projects > Klickitat County

Water quality improvement projects

Select the waterbody or pollutant name to find more information about the specific project.

Waterbody Name(s)	Pollutant(s)	Status	Project Lead(s)
Little Klickitat River	BOD (5-day) Chlorine	EPA approved	Mark Peterschmidt 509-454-7843
Little Klickitat River Watershed	Temperature	EPA approved and Has an implementation plan	Mark Peterschmidt 509-454-7843

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Figure 6. TMDL's in Klickitat County (WRIA 29, 30, 31, and 37)

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Wetland name or number I

RATING SUMMARY – Eastern Washington

Name of wetland (or ID #): I Date of site visit: 7/24/2021

Rated by Brandon Stimac and Bridget Wojtala Trained by Ecology? ☒ Yes ☐ No Date of training Oct. 2020

HGM Class used for rating Depressional Wetland has multiple HGM classes? ☐ Y ☒ N

NOTE: Form is not complete without the figures requested (figures can be combined).

Source of base aerial photo/map ESRI

OVERALL WETLAND CATEGORY Cat. IV (based on functions ☒ or special characteristics ☐)

1. Category of wetland based on FUNCTIONS

 Category I – Total score = 22-27

 Category II – Total score = 19-21

 Category III – Total score = 16-18

X Category IV – Total score = 9-15

FUNCTION	Improving Water Quality	Hydrologic	Habitat	
Circle the appropriate ratings				
Site Potential	H (M) L	H (M) L	H M (L)	
Landscape Potential	H (M) L	H (M) L	H M (L)	
Value	(H) M L	H M (L)	H M (L)	TOTAL
Score Based on Ratings	7	5	3	15

Score for each
function based
on three
ratings
(order of ratings
is not
important)

9 = H,H,H
8 = H,H,M
7 = H,H,L
7 = H,M,M
6 = H,M,L
6 = M,M,M
5 = H,L,L
5 = M,M,L
4 = M,L,L
3 = L,L,L

2. Category based on SPECIAL CHARACTERISTICS of wetland

CHARACTERISTIC	CATEGORY
	Circle the appropriate category
Vernal Pools	II III
Alkali	I
Wetland of High Conservation Value	I
Bog and Calcareous Fens	I
Old Growth or Mature Forest – slow growing	I
Aspen Forest	I
Old Growth or Mature Forest – fast growing	II
Floodplain forest	II
None of the above	X

Wetland name or number 1

Maps and figures required to answer questions correctly for Eastern Washington Depressional Wetlands

Map of:	To answer questions:	Figure #
Cowardin plant classes and classes of emergents	D 1.3, H 1.1, H 1.5	1
Hydroperiods (including area of open water for H 1.3)	D 1.4, H 1.2, H 1.3	2
Location of outlet (<i>can be added to map of hydroperiods</i>)	D 1.1, D 4.1	2
Boundary of area within 150 ft of the wetland (<i>can be added to another figure</i>)	D 2.2, D 5.2	1
Map of the contributing basin	D 5.3	3
1 km Polygon: Area that extends 1 km from entire wetland edge - including polygons for accessible habitat and undisturbed habitat	H 2.1, H 2.2, H 2.3	4
Screen capture of map of 303(d) listed waters in basin (from Ecology website)	D 3.1, D 3.2	5
Screen capture of list of TMDLs for WRIA in which wetland is found (website)	D 3.3	6

Riverine Wetlands

Map of:	To answer questions:	Figure #
Cowardin plant classes and classes of emergents	H 1.1, H 1.5	
Hydroperiods	H 1.2, H 1.3	
Ponded depressions	R 1.1	
Boundary of area within 150 ft of the wetland (<i>can be added to another figure</i>)	R 2.4	
Map of the contributing basin	R 2.2, R 2.3, R 5.2	
Plant cover of trees, shrubs, and herbaceous plants	R 1.2, R 4.2	
Width of wetland vs. width of stream (<i>can be added to another figure</i>)	R 4.1	
1 km Polygon: Area that extends 1 km from entire wetland edge - including polygons for accessible habitat and undisturbed habitat	H 2.1, H 2.2, H 2.3	
Screen capture of map of 303(d) listed waters in basin (from Ecology website)	R 3.1	
Screen capture of list of TMDLs for WRIA in which wetland is found (website)	R 3.2, R 3.3	

Lake Fringe Wetlands

Map of:	To answer questions:	Figure #
Cowardin plant classes and classes of emergents	L 1.1, L 4.1, H 1.1, H 1.5	
Plant cover of trees, shrubs, and herbaceous plants	L 1.2	
Boundary of area within 150 ft of the wetland (<i>can be added to another figure</i>)	L 2.2	
1 km Polygon: Area that extends 1 km from entire wetland edge - including polygons for accessible habitat and undisturbed habitat	H 2.1, H 2.2, H 2.3	
Screen capture of map of 303(d) listed waters in basin (from Ecology website)	L 3.1, L 3.2	
Screen capture of list of TMDLs for WRIA in which wetland is found (website)	L 3.3	

Slope Wetlands

Map of:	To answer questions:	Figure #
Cowardin plant classes and classes of emergents	H 1.1, H 1.5	
Hydroperiods	H 1.2, H 1.3	
Plant cover of dense trees, shrubs, and herbaceous plants	S 1.3	
Plant cover of dense, rigid trees, shrubs, and herbaceous plants (<i>can be added to figure above</i>)	S 4.1	
Boundary of area within 150 ft of the wetland (<i>can be added to another figure</i>)	S 2.1, S 5.1	
1 km Polygon: Area that extends 1 km from entire wetland edge - including polygons for accessible habitat and undisturbed habitat	H 2.1, H 2.2, H 2.3	
Screen capture of map of 303(d) listed waters in basin (from Ecology website)	S 3.1, S 3.2	
Screen capture of list of TMDLs for WRIA in which wetland is found (website)	S 3.3	

HGM Classification of Wetland in Eastern Washington

For questions 1-4, the criteria described must apply to the entire unit being rated.

If the hydrologic criteria listed in each question do not apply to the entire unit being rated, you probably have a unit with multiple HGM classes. In this case, identify which hydrologic criteria in questions 1-4 apply, and go to Question 5.

1. Does the entire unit **meet both** of the following criteria?

___ The vegetated part of the wetland is on the water side of the Ordinary High Water Mark of a body of permanent open water (without any plants on the surface) that is at least 20 ac (8 ha) in size
___ At least 30% of the open water area is deeper than 10 ft (3 m)

NO - go to 2

YES - The wetland class is **Lake Fringe** (Lacustrine Fringe)

2. Does the entire wetland unit **meet all** of the following criteria?

___ The wetland is on a slope (*slope can be very gradual*),
___ The water flows through the wetland in one direction (unidirectional) and usually comes from seeps. It may flow subsurface, as sheetflow, or in a swale without distinct banks;
___ The water leaves the wetland **without being impounded**.

NO - go to 3

YES - The wetland class is **Slope**

NOTE: Surface water does not pond in these type of wetlands except occasionally in very small and shallow depressions or behind hummocks (depressions are usually <3 ft diameter and less than 1 foot deep).

3. Does the entire wetland unit **meet all** of the following criteria?

___ The unit is in a valley, or stream channel, where it gets inundated by overbank flooding from that stream or river;
___ The overbank flooding occurs at least once every 10 years.

NO - go to 4

YES - The wetland class is **Riverine**

NOTE: The Riverine wetland can contain depressions that are filled with water when the river is not flooding.

4. Is the entire wetland unit in a topographic depression in which water ponds, or is saturated to the surface, at some time during the year. *This means that any outlet, if present, is higher than the interior of the wetland.*

NO - go to 5

YES - The wetland class is **Depressional**

5. Your wetland unit seems to be difficult to classify and probably contains several different HGM classes. For example, seeps at the base of a slope may grade into a riverine floodplain, or a small stream within a Depressional wetland has a zone of flooding along its sides. GO BACK AND IDENTIFY WHICH OF THE HYDROLOGIC REGIMES DESCRIBED IN QUESTIONS 1-4 APPLY TO DIFFERENT AREAS IN THE WETLAND UNIT (make a rough sketch to help you decide). Use the following table to identify the appropriate class to use for the rating system if you have several HGM classes present within the wetland unit being scored.

Wetland name or number I

NOTE: Use this table only if the class that is recommended in the second column represents 10% or more of the total area of the wetland unit being rated. If the area of the HGM class listed in column 2 is less than 10% of the wetland unit; classify the wetland using the class that represents more than 90% of the total area.

HGM classes within the wetland unit being rated	HGM Class to use in rating
Slope + Riverine	Riverine
Slope + Depressional	Depressional
Slope + Lake Fringe	Lake Fringe
Depressional + Riverine (the riverine portion is within the boundary of depression)	Depressional
Depressional + Lake Fringe	Depressional
Riverine + Lake Fringe	Riverine

*If you are still unable to determine which of the above criteria apply to your wetland, or if you have **more than 2 HGM classes** within a wetland boundary, classify the wetland as Depressional for the rating.*

Wetland name or number I

DEPRESSIONAL WETLANDS

Water Quality Functions - Indicators that the site functions to improve water quality

Points
(only 1
score per
box)

D 1.0. Does the site have the potential to improve water quality?

D 1.1. Characteristics of surface water outflows from the wetland:

Wetland has no surface water outlet

points = 5

Wetland has an intermittently flowing outlet

points = 3

Wetland has a highly constricted permanently flowing outlet

points = 3

Wetland has a permanently flowing, unconstricted, surface outlet

points = 1

5

D 1.2. The soil 2 in below the surface (or duff layer) is true clay or true organic (use NRCS definitions of soils)

YES = 3 NO = 0

0

D 1.3. Characteristics of persistent vegetation (Emergent, Scrub-shrub, and/or Forested Cowardin classes)

Wetland has persistent, ungrazed, vegetation for $> \frac{2}{3}$ of area

points = 5

Wetland has persistent, ungrazed, vegetation from $\frac{1}{3}$ to $\frac{2}{3}$ of area

points = 3

Wetland has persistent, ungrazed vegetation from $\frac{1}{10}$ to $< \frac{1}{3}$ of area

points = 1

Wetland has persistent, ungrazed vegetation $< \frac{1}{10}$ of area

points = 0

3

D 1.4. Characteristics of seasonal ponding or inundation:

This is the area of ponding that fluctuates every year. Do not count the area that is permanently ponded.

Area seasonally ponded is $> \frac{1}{2}$ total area of wetland

points = 3

Area seasonally ponded is $\frac{1}{4}$ - $\frac{1}{2}$ total area of wetland

points = 1

Area seasonally ponded is $< \frac{1}{4}$ total area of wetland

points = 0

0

Total for D 1

Add the points in the boxes above

8

Rating of Site Potential If score is: 12- 16 = H X 6- 11 = M 0- 5 = L

Record the rating on the first page

D 2.0. Does the landscape have the potential to support the water quality function of the site?

D 2.1. Does the wetland receive stormwater discharges?

Yes = 1 No = 0

0

D 2.2. Is $> 10\%$ of the area within 150 ft of the wetland in land uses that generate pollutants?

Yes = 1 No = 0

1

D 2.3. Are there septic systems within 250 ft of the wetland?

Yes = 1 No = 0

0

D 2.4. Are there other sources of pollutants coming into the wetland that are not listed in questions

D 2.1- D 2.3? Source _____

Yes = 1 No = 0

0

Total for D 2

Add the points in the boxes above

1

Rating of Landscape Potential If score is: 3 or 4 = H X 1 or 2 = M 0 = L

Record the rating on the first page

D 3.0. Is the water quality improvement provided by the site valuable to society?

D 3.1. Does the wetland discharge directly (i.e., within 1 mi) to a stream, river, or lake that is on the 303(d) list?

Yes = 1 No = 0

0

D 3.2. Is the wetland in a basin or sub-basin where water quality is an issue in some aquatic resource [303(d) list, eutrophic lakes, problems with nuisance and toxic algae]?

Yes = 1 No = 0

1

D 3.3. Has the site been identified in a watershed or local plan as important for maintaining water quality (answer YES if there is a TMDL for the drainage or basin in which the wetland is found)?

Yes = 2 No = 0

2

Total for D 3

Add the points in the boxes above

3

Rating of Value If score is: X 2-4 = H 1 = M 0 = L

Record the rating on the first page

Wetland name or number 1

DEPRESSIONAL WETLANDS

Hydrologic Functions - Indicators that the site functions to reduce flooding and erosion.

Points
(only 1 score
per box)

D 4.0. Does the site have the potential to reduce flooding and erosion?

D 4.1. Characteristics of surface water outflows from the wetland:

Wetland has no surface water outlet

points = 8

Wetland has an intermittently flowing outlet

points = 4

Wetland has a highly constricted permanently flowing outlet

points = 4

Wetland has a permanently flowing unconfined surface outlet

points = 0

(If outlet is a ditch and not permanently flowing treat wetland as "intermittently flowing")

8

D 4.2. Depth of storage during wet periods: Estimate the height of ponding above the bottom of the outlet. For wetlands with no outlet, measure from the surface of permanent water or deepest part (if dry).

Seasonal ponding: > 3 ft above the lowest point in wetland or the surface of permanent ponding points = 8

Seasonal ponding: 2 ft - < 3 ft above the lowest point in wetland or the surface of permanent ponding points = 6

The wetland is a headwater wetland points = 4

Seasonal ponding: 1 ft - < 2 ft points = 4

Seasonal ponding: 6 in - < 1 ft points = 2

Seasonal ponding: < 6 in or wetland has only saturated soils

points = 0

0

Total for D 4

Add the points in the boxes above

8

Rating of Site Potential If score is: 12-16 = H X 6-11 = M 0-5 = L

Record the rating on the first page

D 5.0. Does the landscape have the potential to support the hydrologic functions of the site?

D 5.1. Does the wetland receive stormwater discharges?

Yes = 1 No = 0

0

D 5.2. Is > 10% of the area within 150 ft of the wetland in a land use that generates runoff?

Yes = 1 No = 0

1

D 5.3. Is more than 25% of the contributing basin of the wetland covered with intensive human land uses?

Yes = 1 No = 0

1

Total for D 5

Add the points in the boxes above

2

Rating of Landscape Potential If score is: 3 = H X 1 or 2 = M 0 = L

Record the rating on the first page

D 6.0. Are the hydrologic functions provided by the site valuable to society?

D 6.1. The wetland is in a landscape that has flooding problems.

Choose the description that best matches conditions around the wetland being rated. Do not add points.

Choose the highest score if more than one condition is met.

The wetland captures surface water that would otherwise flow down-gradient into areas where flooding has damaged human or natural resources (e.g., houses or salmon redds), AND

Flooding occurs in sub-basin that is immediately down-gradient of wetland

points = 2

Surface flooding problems are in a sub-basin farther down-gradient

points = 1

The existing or potential outflow from the wetland is so constrained by human or natural conditions that the water stored by the wetland cannot reach areas that flood.

0

Explain why The wetland receives and stores very little water in the watershed.

points = 0

There are no problems with flooding downstream of the wetland

points = 0

D 6.2. Has the site been identified as important for flood storage or flood conveyance in a regional flood control plan?

Yes = 2 No = 0

0

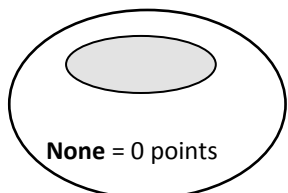
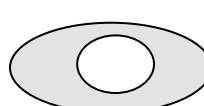

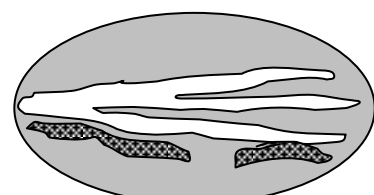
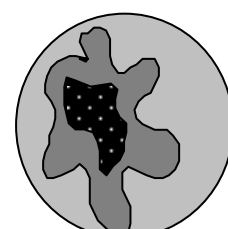
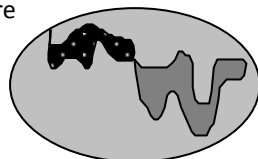
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Add the points in the boxes above

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Rating of Value If score is: 2-4 = H 1 = M X 0 = L

Record the rating on the first page

These questions apply to wetlands of all HGM classes.		(only 1 score per box)
HABITAT FUNCTIONS - Indicators that site functions to provide important habitat		
H 1.0. Does the wetland have the potential to provide habitat for many species?		
<p>H 1.1. Structure of the plant community:</p> <p>Check the Cowardin vegetation classes present and categories of emergent plants. Size threshold for each category is $\geq \frac{1}{4}$ ac or $\geq 10\%$ of the wetland if wetland is < 2.5 ac.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Aquatic bed</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Emergent plants 0-12 in (0-30 cm) high are the highest layer and have $> 30\%$ cover</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Emergent plants >12-40 in (>30-100 cm) high are the highest layer with $>30\%$ cover</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Emergent plants > 40 in (> 100 cm) high are the highest layer with $>30\%$ cover</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Scrub-shrub (areas where shrubs have $>30\%$ cover)</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Forested (areas where trees have $>30\%$ cover)</p> <p>4 or more checks: points = 3 3 checks: points = 2 2 checks: points = 1 1 check: points = 0</p>		1
H 1.2. Is one of the vegetation types Aquatic Bed?		Yes = 1 No = 0 1
<p>H 1.3. <u>Surface water</u></p> <p>H 1.3.1. Does the wetland have areas of open water (without emergent or shrub plants) over at least $\frac{1}{4}$ ac OR 10% of its area during the March to early June OR in August to the end of September? Answer YES for Lake Fringe wetlands. Yes = 3 points & go to H 1.4. No = go to H 1.3.2</p> <p>H 1.3.2. Does the wetland have an intermittent or permanent, and unvegetated stream within its boundaries, or along one side, over at least $\frac{1}{4}$ ac or 10% of its area? Answer yes only if H 1.3.1 is No. Yes = 3 No = 0</p>		0
<p>H 1.4. <u>Richness of plant species</u></p> <p>Count the number of plant species in the wetland that cover at least 10 ft². Different patches of the same species can be combined to meet the size threshold. You do not have to name the species. Do not include Eurasian milfoil, reed canarygrass, purple loosestrife, Russian olive, Phragmites, Canadian thistle, yellow-flag iris, and saltcedar (Tamarisk)</p> <p># of species <u>7</u></p> <p>Scoring: > 9 species: points = 2 4-9 species: points = 1 < 4 species: points = 0</p>		1
<p>H 1.5. <u>Interspersion of habitats</u></p> <p>Decide from the diagrams below whether interspersions among types of plant structures (described in H 1.1), and unvegetated areas (open water or mudflats) is high, moderate, low, or none.</p> <p>Use map of Cowardin and emergent plant classes prepared for questions H 1.1 and map of open water from H 1.3. If you have four or more plant classes or three classes and open water, the rating is always high.</p> <div><div><p>None = 0 points</p></div><div><p>Low = 1 point</p></div><div><p>Moderate = 2 points</p></div></div> <p>All three diagrams in this row are High = 3 points</p> <div></div> <p>Riparian braided channels with 2 classes</p>		Figure 1 0

Wetland name or number I

H 1.6. Special habitat features <i>Check the habitat features that are present in the wetland. The number of checks is the number of points.</i> <input type="checkbox"/> Loose rocks larger than 4 in OR large, downed, woody debris (> 4 in diameter) within the area of surface ponding or in stream. <input type="checkbox"/> Cattails or bulrushes are present within the wetland. <input type="checkbox"/> Standing snags (diameter at the bottom > 4 in) in the wetland or within 30 m (100 ft) of the edge. <input type="checkbox"/> Emergent or shrub vegetation in areas that are permanently inundated/ponded. <input type="checkbox"/> Stable steep banks of fine material that might be used by beaver or muskrat for denning (> 45 degree slope) OR signs of recent beaver activity <input type="checkbox"/> Invasive species cover less than 20% in each stratum of vegetation (<i>canopy, sub-canopy, shrubs, herbaceous, moss/ground cover</i>)		0
Total for H 1	Add the points in the boxes above	3

Rating of Site Potential If score is: 15-18 = H 7-14 = M X 0-6 = L Record the rating on the first page

H 2.0. Does the landscape have the potential to support habitat functions of the site?		
H 2.1. Accessible habitat (only area of habitat abutting wetland). If total accessible habitat is: <i>Calculate:</i> % undisturbed habitat <u>0</u> + [(% moderate and low intensity land uses)/2] <u>0</u> = <u>0</u> % > 1/3 (33.3%) of 1 km Polygon points = 3 20-33% of 1km Polygon points = 2 10-19% of 1km Polygon points = 1 <u><10% of 1km Polygon</u> points = 0		0
H 2.2. Undisturbed habitat in 1 km Polygon around wetland. <i>Calculate:</i> % undisturbed habitat <u>0</u> + [(% moderate and low intensity land uses)/2] <u>16.4</u> = <u>16.4</u> % Undisturbed habitat > 50% of Polygon points = 3 Undisturbed habitat 10 - 50% and in 1-3 patches points = 2 <u>Undisturbed habitat 10 - 50% and > 3 patches</u> points = 1 Undisturbed habitat < 10% of Polygon points = 0		1
H 2.3. Land use intensity in 1 km Polygon: <u>> 50% of Polygon is high intensity land use</u> points = (- 2) Does not meet criterion above points = 0		-2
H 2.4. The wetland is in an area where annual rainfall is less than 12 in, and its water regime is not influenced by irrigation practices, dams, or water control structures. Generally, this means outside boundaries of reclamation areas, irrigation districts, or reservoirs Yes = 3 <u>No = 0</u>		0
Total for H 2	Add the points in the boxes above	-1

Rating of Landscape Potential If score is: 4-9 = H 1-3 = M X < 1 = L Record the rating on the first page

H 3.0. Is the habitat provided by the site valuable to society?		
H 3.1. Does the site provide habitat for species valued in laws, regulations, or policies? Choose the highest score that applies to the wetland being rated Site meets ANY of the following criteria: points = 2 — It has 3 or more priority habitats within 100 m (see Appendix B) — It provides habitat for Threatened or Endangered species (any plant or animal on state or federal lists) — It is mapped as a location for an individual WDFW species — It is a Wetland of High Conservation Value as determined by the Department of Natural Resources — It has been categorized as an important habitat site in a local or regional comprehensive plan, in a Shoreline Master Plan, or in a watershed plan Site has 1 or 2 priority habitats within 100 m (see Appendix B) points = 1 <u>Site does not meet any of the criteria above</u> points = 0		0

Rating of Value If score is: 2 = H 1 = M X 0 = L Record the rating on the first page

CATEGORIZATION BASED ON SPECIAL CHARACTERISTICS

Please determine if the wetland meets the attributes described below and circle the appropriate category. NOTE: A wetland may meet the criteria for more than one set of special characteristics. Record all those that apply. NOTE: All wetlands should also be characterized based on their functions.

Wetland Type	Category
<i>Check off any criteria that apply to the wetland. Circle the category when the appropriate criteria are met.</i>	
SC 1.0. Vernal pools Is the wetland less than 4000 ft² , and does it meet at least two of the following criteria? — Its only source of water is rainfall or snowmelt from a small contributing basin and has no groundwater input. — Wetland plants are typically present only in the spring; the summer vegetation is typically upland annuals. <i>If you find perennial, obligate, wetland plants, the wetland is probably NOT a vernal pool.</i> — The soil in the wetland is shallow [< 1 ft (30 cm) deep] and is underlain by an impermeable layer such as basalt or clay. — Surface water is present for less than 120 days during the wet season. <div style="text-align: right;">Yes – Go to SC 1.1 No = Not a vernal pool</div>	
SC 1.1. Is the vernal pool relatively undisturbed in February and March? <div style="text-align: right;">Yes – Go to SC 1.2 No = Not a vernal pool with special characteristics</div>	
SC 1.2. Is the vernal pool in an area where there are at least 3 separate aquatic resources within 0.5 mi (other wetlands, rivers, lakes etc.)? <div style="text-align: right;">Yes = Category II No = Category III</div>	Cat. II Cat. III
SC 2.0. Alkali wetlands Does the wetland meet one of the following criteria? — The wetland has a conductivity > 3.0 mS/cm. — The wetland has a conductivity between 2.0 and 3.0 mS, and more than 50% of the plant cover in the wetland can be classified as “alkali” species (see Table 4 for list of plants found in alkali systems). — If the wetland is dry at the time of your field visit, the central part of the area is covered with a layer of salt. OR does the wetland unit meet two of the following three sub-criteria? — Salt encrustations around more than 75% of the edge of the wetland — More than $\frac{3}{4}$ of the plant cover consists of species listed on Table 4 — A pH above 9.0. All alkali wetlands have a high pH, but please note that some freshwater wetlands may also have a high pH. Thus, pH alone is not a good indicator of alkali wetlands. <div style="text-align: right;">Yes = Category I No = Not an alkali wetland</div>	Cat. I
SC 3.0. Wetlands of High Conservation Value (WHCV) SC 3.1. Has the WA Department of Natural Resources updated their website to include the list of Wetlands of High Conservation Value? <div style="text-align: right;">Yes – Go to SC 3.2 No – Go to SC 3.3</div> SC 3.2. Is the wetland listed on the WDNR database as a Wetland of High Conservation Value? <div style="text-align: right;">Yes = Category I No = Not a WHCV</div> SC 3.3. Is the wetland in a Section/Township/Range that contains a Natural Heritage wetland? http://www1.dnr.wa.gov/nhp/refdesk/datasearch/wnhpwetlands.pdf <div style="text-align: right;">Yes – Contact WNHP/WDNR and go to SC 3.4 No = Not a WHCV</div> SC 3.4. Has WDNR identified the wetland within the S/T/R as a Wetland of High Conservation Value and it is listed on their website? <div style="text-align: right;">Yes = Category I No = Not a WHCV</div>	Cat. I

<p>SC 4.0 Bogs and Calcareous Fens</p> <p>Does the wetland (or any part of the wetland unit) meet both the criteria for soils and vegetation in bogs or calcareous fens? <i>Use the key below to identify if the wetland is a bog or calcareous fen. If you answer yes you will still need to rate the wetland based on its functions.</i></p> <p>SC 4.1. Does an area within the wetland have organic soil horizons (i.e., layers of organic soil), either peats or mucks, that compose 16 in or more of the first 32 in of the soil profile? <i>See Appendix C for a field key to identify organic soils.</i> Yes – Go to SC 4.3 No – Go to SC 4.2</p> <p>SC 4.2. Does an area within the wetland have organic soils, either peats or mucks, that are less than 16 in deep over bedrock or an impermeable hardpan such as clay or volcanic ash, or that are floating on top of a lake or pond? Yes – Go to SC 4.3 No = Is not a bog for rating</p> <p>SC 4.3. Does an area within the wetland have more than 70% cover of mosses at ground level AND at least 30% of the total plant cover consists of species in Table 5? Yes = Category I bog No – Go to SC 4.4 NOTE: If you are uncertain about the extent of mosses in the understory, you may substitute that criterion by measuring the pH of the water that seeps into a hole dug at least 16 in deep. If the pH is less than 5.0 and the plant species in Table 5 are present, the wetland is a bog.</p> <p>SC 4.4. Is an area with peats or mucks forested (> 30% cover) with subalpine fir, western red cedar, western hemlock, lodgepole pine, quaking aspen, Engelmann spruce, or western white pine, AND any of the species (or combination of species) listed in Table 5 provide more than 30% of the cover under the canopy? Yes = Category I bog No – Go to SC 4.5</p> <p>SC 4.5. Do the species listed in Table 6 comprise at least 20% of the total plant cover within an area of peats and mucks? Yes = Is a Calcareous Fen for purpose of rating No – Go to SC 4.6</p> <p>SC 4.6. Do the species listed in Table 6 comprise at least 10% of the total plant cover in an area of peats and mucks, AND one of the two following conditions is met: — Marl deposits [calcium carbonate (CaCO₃) precipitate] occur on the soil surface or plant stems — The pH of free water is ≥ 6.8 AND electrical conductivity is ≥ 200 uS/cm at multiple locations within the wetland Yes = Is a Category I calcareous fen No = Is not a calcareous fen </p>	<p>Cat. I</p> <p>Cat. I</p>
<p>SC 5.0. Forested Wetlands</p> <p>Does the wetland have an area of forest rooted within its boundary that meets at least one of the following three criteria? <i>(Continue only if you have identified that a forested class is present in question H 1.1)</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> — The wetland is within the 100 year floodplain of a river or stream — Aspen (<i>Populus tremuloides</i>) represents at least 20% of the total cover of woody species — There is at least ¼ ac of trees (even in wetlands smaller than 2.5 ac) that are “mature” or “old-growth” according to the definitions for these priority habitats developed by WDFW <i>(see definitions in question H3.1)</i> <p>Yes – Go to SC 5.1 No = Not a forested wetland with special characteristics</p> <p>SC 5.1. Does the wetland have a forest canopy where more than 50% of the tree species (by cover) are slow growing native trees <i>(see Table 7)?</i> Yes = Category I No – Go to SC 5.2</p> <p>SC 5.2. Does the wetland have areas where aspen (<i>Populus tremuloides</i>) represents at least 20% of the total cover of woody species? Yes = Category I No – Go to SC 5.3</p> <p>SC 5.3. Does the wetland have at least ¼ acre with a forest canopy where more than 50% of the tree species (by cover) are fast growing species <i>(see Table 7)?</i> Yes = Category II No – Go to SC 5.4</p> <p>SC 5.4. Is the forested component of the wetland within the 100 year floodplain of a river or stream? Yes = Category II No = Not a forested wetland with special characteristics</p>	<p>Cat. I</p> <p>Cat. I</p> <p>Cat. II</p> <p>Cat. II</p>
<p>Category of wetland based on Special Characteristics</p> <p><i>Choose the highest rating if wetland falls into several categories</i></p> <p>If you answered No for all types, enter “Not Applicable” on Summary Form</p>	<p>N/A</p>

Appendix B: WDFW Priority Habitats in Eastern Washington

Priority habitats listed by WDFW (see complete descriptions of WDFW priority habitats, and the counties in which they can be found, in: Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife. 2008. Priority Habitat and Species List. Olympia, Washington. 177 pp. <http://wdfw.wa.gov/publications/00165/wdfw00165.pdf> or access the list from here: <http://wdfw.wa.gov/conservation/phs/list/>)


Count how many of the following priority habitats are within 330 ft (100 m) of the wetland: **NOTE:** *This question is independent of the land use between the wetland and the priority habitat.*

- **Aspen Stands:** Pure or mixed stands of aspen greater than 1 ac (0.4 ha).
- **Biodiversity Areas and Corridors:** Areas of habitat that are relatively important to various species of native fish and wildlife (*full descriptions in WDFW PHS report*).
- **Old-growth/Mature forests:** Old-growth east of Cascade crest – Stands are highly variable in tree species composition and structural characteristics due to the influence of fire, climate, and soils. In general, stands will be >150 years of age, with 10 trees/ac (25 trees/ha) that are > 21 in (53 cm) dbh, and 1-3 snags/ac (2.5-7.5 snags/ha) that are > 12-14 in (30-35 cm) diameter. Downed logs may vary from abundant to absent. Canopies may be single or multi-layered. Evidence of human-caused alterations to the stand will be absent or so slight as to not affect the ecosystem's essential structures and functions. Mature forests – Stands with average diameters exceeding 21 in (53 cm) dbh; crown cover may be less than 100%; decay, decadence, numbers of snags, and quantity of large downed material is generally less than that found in old-growth; 80-200 years old west and 80-160 years old east of the Cascade crest.
- **Oregon White Oak:** Woodland stands of pure oak or oak/conifer associations where canopy coverage of the oak component is important (*full descriptions in WDFW PHS report p. 158 – see web link above*).
- **Riparian:** The area adjacent to aquatic systems with flowing water that contains elements of both aquatic and terrestrial ecosystems which mutually influence each other.
- **Instream:** The combination of physical, biological, and chemical processes and conditions that interact to provide functional life history requirements for instream fish and wildlife resources.
- **Caves:** A naturally occurring cavity, recess, void, or system of interconnected passages under the earth in soils, rock, ice, or other geological formations and is large enough to contain a human.
- **Cliffs:** Greater than 25 ft (7.6 m) high and occurring below 5000 ft elevation.
- **Talus:** Homogenous areas of rock rubble ranging in average size 0.5 - 6.5 ft (0.15 - 2.0 m), composed of basalt, andesite, and/or sedimentary rock, including riprap slides and mine tailings. May be associated with cliffs.
- **Snags and Logs:** Trees are considered snags if they are dead or dying and exhibit sufficient decay characteristics to enable cavity excavation/use by wildlife. Priority snags have a diameter at breast height of > 12 in (30 cm) in eastern Washington and are > 6.5 ft (2 m) in height. Priority logs are > 12 in (30 cm) in diameter at the largest end, and > 20 ft (6 m) long.
- **Shrub-steppe:** A nonforested vegetation type consisting of one or more layers of perennial bunchgrasses and a conspicuous but discontinuous layer of shrubs (see Eastside Steppe for sites with little or no shrub cover).
- **Eastside Steppe:** Nonforested vegetation type dominated by broadleaf herbaceous flora (i.e., forbs), perennial bunchgrasses, or a combination of both. Bluebunch wheatgrass (*Pseudoroegneria spicata*) is often the prevailing cover component along with Idaho fescue (*Festuca idahoensis*), Sandberg bluegrass (*Poa secunda*), rough fescue (*F. campestris*), or needlegrasses (*Achnatherum* spp.).
- **Juniper Savannah:** All juniper woodlands.

Note: All vegetated wetlands are by definition a priority habitat but are not included in this list because they are addressed elsewhere.

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 Wetland Boundary

 150ft Buffer

Cowardin Classification


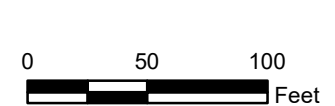
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Figure 1. Wetland I Cowardin Classifications

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 Wetland Boundary

Hydroperiods


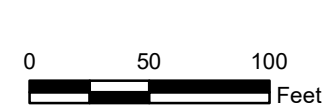
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Figure 2. Wetland I Hydroperiods
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- Streams
- Wetlands
- Contributing Basin

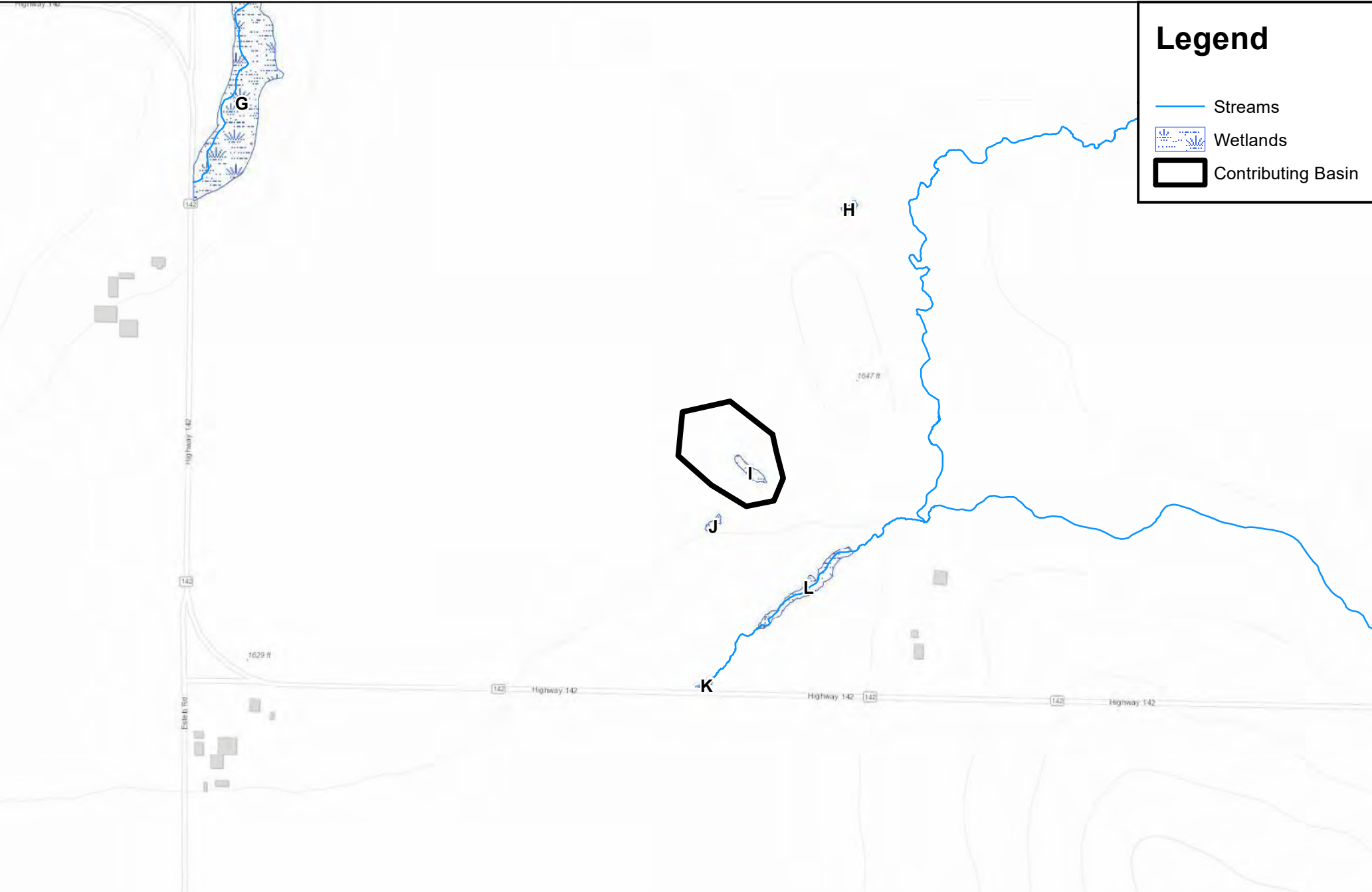
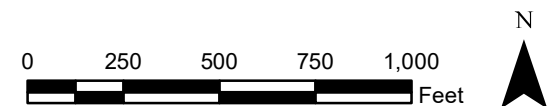


Figure 3. Wetland I Contributing Basin
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— WDNR Streams

Wetlands

Land Use Intensity

High

Low

Moderate

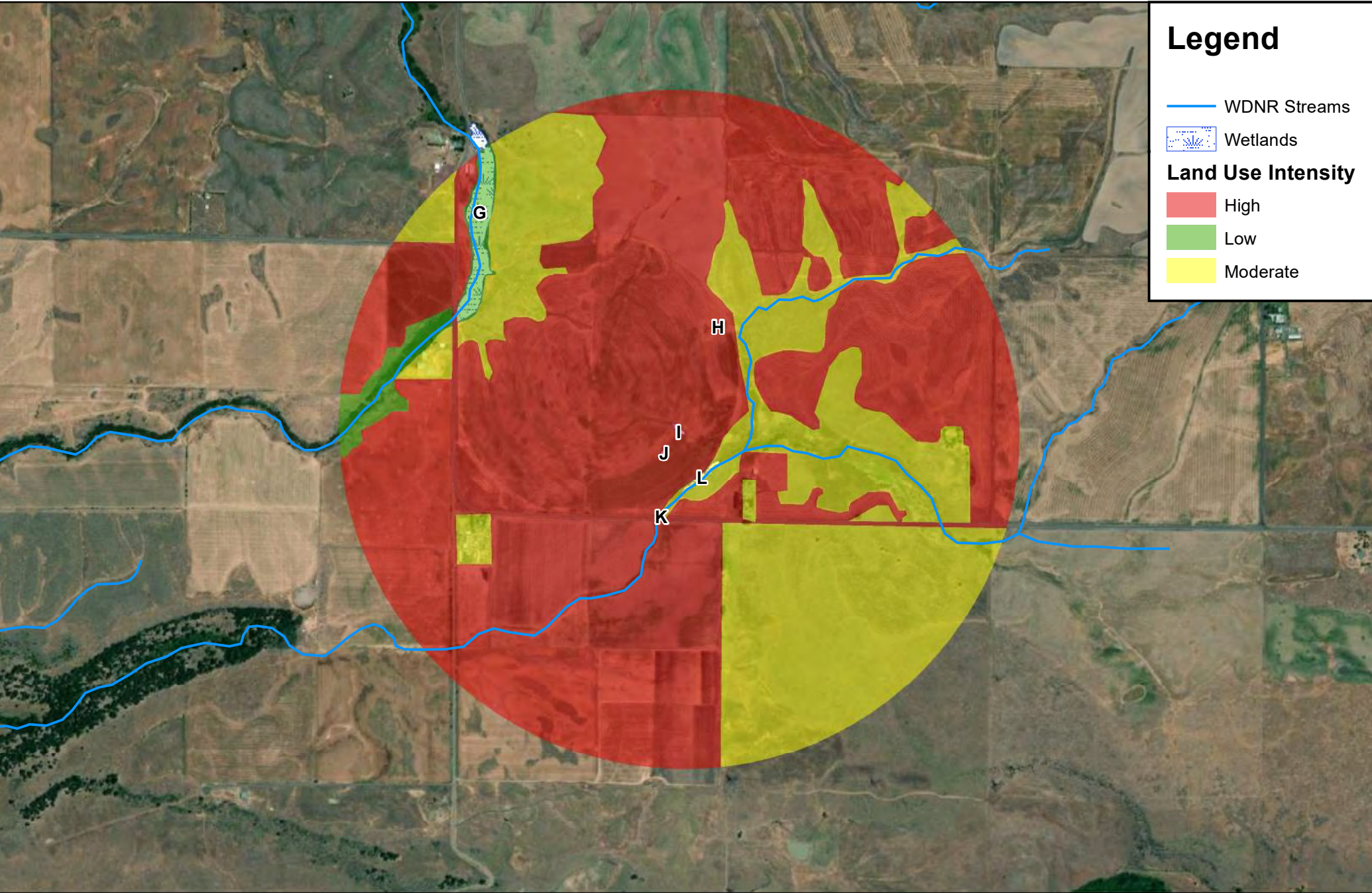
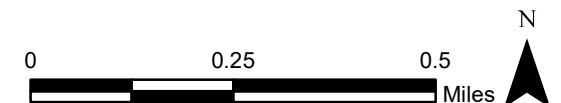


Figure 4. Wetland I Land Use and Habitat Map

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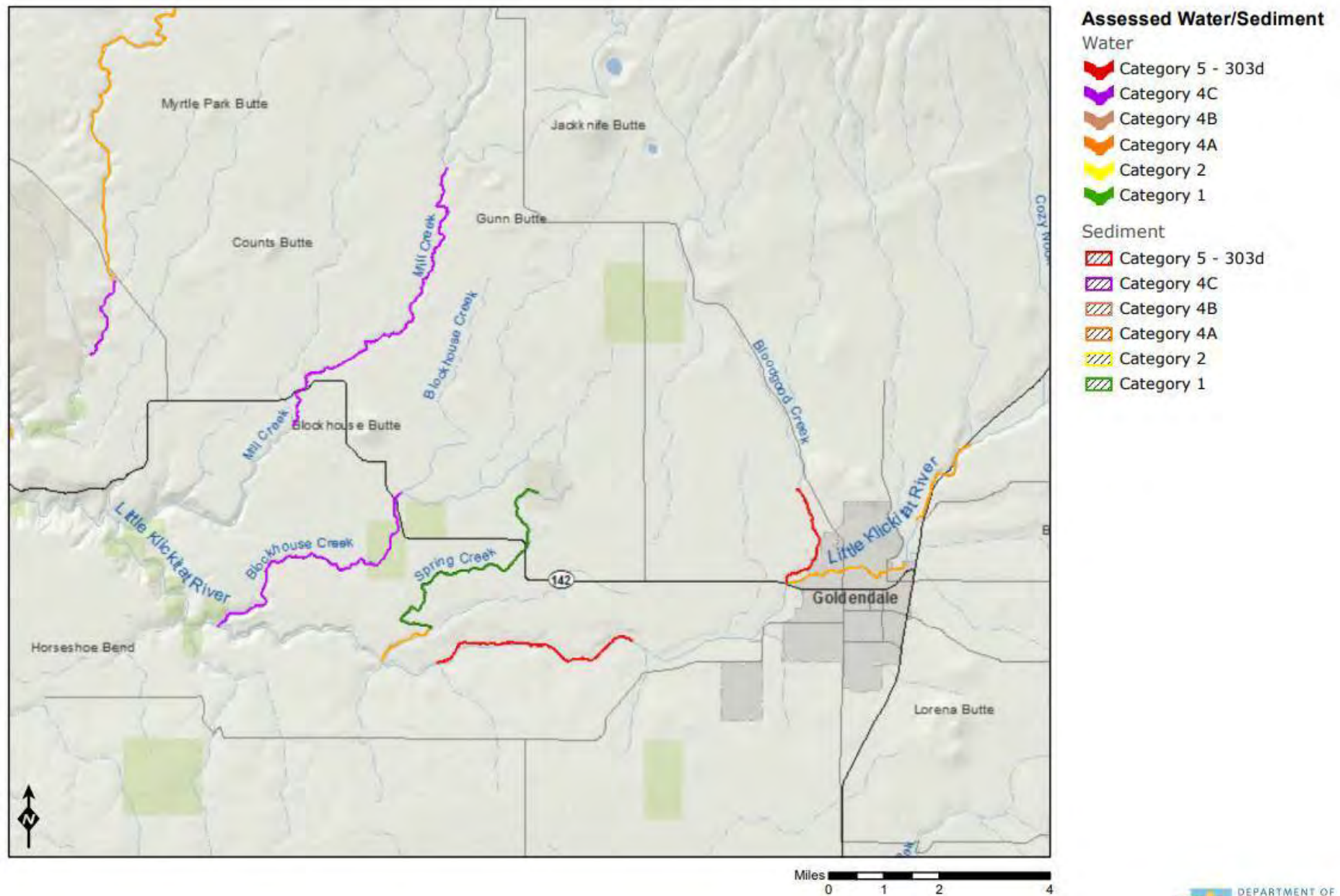


Figure 5. 303(d) Listed Waters in Little Klickitat River Basin (WRIA 30)

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Klickitat County

Ecology homepage > Water & Shorelines > Water improvement > Total Maximum Daily Load process > Directory of projects > Klickitat County

Water quality improvement projects

Select the waterbody or pollutant name to find more information about the specific project.

Waterbody Name(s)	Pollutant(s)	Status	Project Lead(s)
Little Klickitat River	BOD (5-day) Chlorine	EPA approved	Mark Peterschmidt 509-454-7843
Little Klickitat River Watershed	Temperature	EPA approved and Has an implementation plan	Mark Peterschmidt 509-454-7843

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Figure 6. TMDL's in Klickitat County (WRIA 29, 30, 31, and 37)

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Wetland name or number J

RATING SUMMARY – Eastern Washington

Name of wetland (or ID #): J Date of site visit: 7/24/2021

Rated by Brandon Stimac and Bridget Wojtala Trained by Ecology? ☒ Yes ☐ No Date of training Oct. 2020

HGM Class used for rating Depressional Wetland has multiple HGM classes? ☐ Y ☒ N

NOTE: Form is not complete without the figures requested (figures can be combined).

Source of base aerial photo/map ESRI

OVERALL WETLAND CATEGORY Cat. IV (based on functions ☒ or special characteristics ☐)

1. Category of wetland based on FUNCTIONS

☐ **Category I** – Total score = 22-27

☐ **Category II** – Total score = 19-21

☐ **Category III** – Total score = 16-18

☒ **Category IV** – Total score = 9-15

FUNCTION	Improving Water Quality	Hydrologic	Habitat	
Circle the appropriate ratings				
Site Potential	H (M) L	H (M) L	H M (L)	
Landscape Potential	H (M) L	H (M) L	H M (L)	
Value	(H) M L	H M (L)	H M (L)	TOTAL
Score Based on Ratings	7	5	3	15

Score for each
function based
on three
ratings
(order of ratings
is not
important)

9 = H,H,H

8 = H,H,M

7 = H,H,L

7 = H,M,M

6 = H,M,L

6 = M,M,M

5 = H,L,L

5 = M,M,L

4 = M,L,L

3 = L,L,L

2. Category based on SPECIAL CHARACTERISTICS of wetland

CHARACTERISTIC	CATEGORY
	Circle the appropriate category
Vernal Pools	II III
Alkali	I
Wetland of High Conservation Value	I
Bog and Calcareous Fens	I
Old Growth or Mature Forest – slow growing	I
Aspen Forest	I
Old Growth or Mature Forest – fast growing	II
Floodplain forest	II
None of the above	X

Wetland name or number J

Maps and figures required to answer questions correctly for Eastern Washington Depressional Wetlands

Map of:	To answer questions:	Figure #
Cowardin plant classes and classes of emergents	D 1.3, H 1.1, H 1.5	1
Hydroperiods (including area of open water for H 1.3)	D 1.4, H 1.2, H 1.3	2
Location of outlet (<i>can be added to map of hydroperiods</i>)	D 1.1, D 4.1	2
Boundary of area within 150 ft of the wetland (<i>can be added to another figure</i>)	D 2.2, D 5.2	1
Map of the contributing basin	D 5.3	3
1 km Polygon: Area that extends 1 km from entire wetland edge - including polygons for accessible habitat and undisturbed habitat	H 2.1, H 2.2, H 2.3	4
Screen capture of map of 303(d) listed waters in basin (from Ecology website)	D 3.1, D 3.2	5
Screen capture of list of TMDLs for WRIA in which wetland is found (website)	D 3.3	6

Riverine Wetlands

Map of:	To answer questions:	Figure #
Cowardin plant classes and classes of emergents	H 1.1, H 1.5	
Hydroperiods	H 1.2, H 1.3	
Ponded depressions	R 1.1	
Boundary of area within 150 ft of the wetland (<i>can be added to another figure</i>)	R 2.4	
Map of the contributing basin	R 2.2, R 2.3, R 5.2	
Plant cover of trees, shrubs, and herbaceous plants	R 1.2, R 4.2	
Width of wetland vs. width of stream (<i>can be added to another figure</i>)	R 4.1	
1 km Polygon: Area that extends 1 km from entire wetland edge - including polygons for accessible habitat and undisturbed habitat	H 2.1, H 2.2, H 2.3	
Screen capture of map of 303(d) listed waters in basin (from Ecology website)	R 3.1	
Screen capture of list of TMDLs for WRIA in which wetland is found (website)	R 3.2, R 3.3	

Lake Fringe Wetlands

Map of:	To answer questions:	Figure #
Cowardin plant classes and classes of emergents	L 1.1, L 4.1, H 1.1, H 1.5	
Plant cover of trees, shrubs, and herbaceous plants	L 1.2	
Boundary of area within 150 ft of the wetland (<i>can be added to another figure</i>)	L 2.2	
1 km Polygon: Area that extends 1 km from entire wetland edge - including polygons for accessible habitat and undisturbed habitat	H 2.1, H 2.2, H 2.3	
Screen capture of map of 303(d) listed waters in basin (from Ecology website)	L 3.1, L 3.2	
Screen capture of list of TMDLs for WRIA in which wetland is found (website)	L 3.3	

Slope Wetlands

Map of:	To answer questions:	Figure #
Cowardin plant classes and classes of emergents	H 1.1, H 1.5	
Hydroperiods	H 1.2, H 1.3	
Plant cover of dense trees, shrubs, and herbaceous plants	S 1.3	
Plant cover of dense, rigid trees, shrubs, and herbaceous plants (<i>can be added to figure above</i>)	S 4.1	
Boundary of area within 150 ft of the wetland (<i>can be added to another figure</i>)	S 2.1, S 5.1	
1 km Polygon: Area that extends 1 km from entire wetland edge - including polygons for accessible habitat and undisturbed habitat	H 2.1, H 2.2, H 2.3	
Screen capture of map of 303(d) listed waters in basin (from Ecology website)	S 3.1, S 3.2	
Screen capture of list of TMDLs for WRIA in which wetland is found (website)	S 3.3	

HGM Classification of Wetland in Eastern Washington

For questions 1-4, the criteria described must apply to the entire unit being rated.

If the hydrologic criteria listed in each question do not apply to the entire unit being rated, you probably have a unit with multiple HGM classes. In this case, identify which hydrologic criteria in questions 1-4 apply, and go to Question 5.

1. Does the entire unit **meet both** of the following criteria?

☐ The vegetated part of the wetland is on the water side of the Ordinary High Water Mark of a body of permanent open water (without any plants on the surface) that is at least 20 ac (8 ha) in size
☐ At least 30% of the open water area is deeper than 10 ft (3 m)

NO - go to 2

YES - The wetland class is **Lake Fringe** (Lacustrine Fringe)

2. Does the entire wetland unit **meet all** of the following criteria?

☐ The wetland is on a slope (*slope can be very gradual*),
☐ The water flows through the wetland in one direction (unidirectional) and usually comes from seeps. It may flow subsurface, as sheetflow, or in a swale without distinct banks;
☐ The water leaves the wetland **without being impounded**.

NO - go to 3

YES - The wetland class is **Slope**

NOTE: Surface water does not pond in these type of wetlands except occasionally in very small and shallow depressions or behind hummocks (depressions are usually <3 ft diameter and less than 1 foot deep).

3. Does the entire wetland unit **meet all** of the following criteria?

☐ The unit is in a valley, or stream channel, where it gets inundated by overbank flooding from that stream or river;
☐ The overbank flooding occurs at least once every 10 years.

NO - go to 4

YES - The wetland class is **Riverine**

NOTE: The Riverine wetland can contain depressions that are filled with water when the river is not flooding.

4. Is the entire wetland unit in a topographic depression in which water ponds, or is saturated to the surface, at some time during the year. *This means that any outlet, if present, is higher than the interior of the wetland.*

NO - go to 5

YES - The wetland class is **Depressional**

5. Your wetland unit seems to be difficult to classify and probably contains several different HGM classes. For example, seeps at the base of a slope may grade into a riverine floodplain, or a small stream within a Depressional wetland has a zone of flooding along its sides. **GO BACK AND IDENTIFY WHICH OF THE HYDROLOGIC REGIMES DESCRIBED IN QUESTIONS 1-4 APPLY TO DIFFERENT AREAS IN THE WETLAND UNIT** (make a rough sketch to help you decide). Use the following table to identify the appropriate class to use for the rating system if you have several HGM classes present within the wetland unit being scored.

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NOTE: Use this table only if the class that is recommended in the second column represents 10% or more of the total area of the wetland unit being rated. If the area of the HGM class listed in column 2 is less than 10% of the wetland unit; classify the wetland using the class that represents more than 90% of the total area.

HGM classes within the wetland unit being rated	HGM Class to use in rating
Slope + Riverine	Riverine
Slope + Depressional	Depressional
Slope + Lake Fringe	Lake Fringe
Depressional + Riverine (the riverine portion is within the boundary of depression)	Depressional
Depressional + Lake Fringe	Depressional
Riverine + Lake Fringe	Riverine

*If you are still unable to determine which of the above criteria apply to your wetland, or if you have **more than 2 HGM classes** within a wetland boundary, classify the wetland as Depressional for the rating.*

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DEPRESSIONAL WETLANDS

Water Quality Functions - Indicators that the site functions to improve water quality

Points
(only 1
score per
box)

D 1.0. Does the site have the potential to improve water quality?

D 1.1. Characteristics of surface water outflows from the wetland:

Wetland has no surface water outlet

points = 5

Wetland has an intermittently flowing outlet

points = 3

Wetland has a highly constricted permanently flowing outlet

points = 3

Wetland has a permanently flowing, unconstricted, surface outlet

points = 1

5

D 1.2. The soil 2 in below the surface (or duff layer) is true clay or true organic (use NRCS definitions of soils)

YES = 3 NO = 0

0

D 1.3. Characteristics of persistent vegetation (Emergent, Scrub-shrub, and/or Forested Cowardin classes)

Wetland has persistent, ungrazed, vegetation for $> \frac{2}{3}$ of area

points = 5

Wetland has persistent, ungrazed, vegetation from $\frac{1}{3}$ to $\frac{2}{3}$ of area

points = 3

Wetland has persistent, ungrazed vegetation from $\frac{1}{10}$ to $< \frac{1}{3}$ of area

points = 1

Wetland has persistent, ungrazed vegetation $< \frac{1}{10}$ of area

points = 0

3

D 1.4. Characteristics of seasonal ponding or inundation:

This is the area of ponding that fluctuates every year. Do not count the area that is permanently ponded.

Area seasonally ponded is $> \frac{1}{2}$ total area of wetland

points = 3

Area seasonally ponded is $\frac{1}{4}$ - $\frac{1}{2}$ total area of wetland

points = 1

Area seasonally ponded is $< \frac{1}{4}$ total area of wetland

points = 0

0

Total for D 1

Add the points in the boxes above

8

Rating of Site Potential If score is: 12- 16 = H X 6- 11 = M 0- 5 = L

Record the rating on the first page

D 2.0. Does the landscape have the potential to support the water quality function of the site?

D 2.1. Does the wetland receive stormwater discharges?

Yes = 1 No = 0

0

D 2.2. Is $> 10\%$ of the area within 150 ft of the wetland in land uses that generate pollutants?

Yes = 1 No = 0

1

D 2.3. Are there septic systems within 250 ft of the wetland?

Yes = 1 No = 0

0

D 2.4. Are there other sources of pollutants coming into the wetland that are not listed in questions

D 2.1- D 2.3? Source _____

Yes = 1 No = 0

0

Total for D 2

Add the points in the boxes above

1

Rating of Landscape Potential If score is: 3 or 4 = H X 1 or 2 = M 0 = L

Record the rating on the first page

D 3.0. Is the water quality improvement provided by the site valuable to society?

D 3.1. Does the wetland discharge directly (i.e., within 1 mi) to a stream, river, or lake that is on the 303(d) list?

Yes = 1 No = 0

0

D 3.2. Is the wetland in a basin or sub-basin where water quality is an issue in some aquatic resource [303(d) list, eutrophic lakes, problems with nuisance and toxic algae]?

Yes = 1 No = 0

1

D 3.3. Has the site been identified in a watershed or local plan as important for maintaining water quality (answer YES if there is a TMDL for the drainage or basin in which the wetland is found)?

Yes = 2 No = 0

2

Total for D 3

Add the points in the boxes above

3

Rating of Value If score is: X 2-4 = H 1 = M 0 = L

Record the rating on the first page

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DEPRESSIONAL WETLANDS

Points
(only 1 score
per box)

Hydrologic Functions - Indicators that the site functions to reduce flooding and erosion.

D 4.0. Does the site have the potential to reduce flooding and erosion?

D 4.1. Characteristics of surface water outflows from the wetland:

Wetland has no surface water outlet

points = 8

Wetland has an intermittently flowing outlet

points = 4

Wetland has a highly constricted permanently flowing outlet

points = 4

Wetland has a permanently flowing unconfined surface outlet

points = 0

(If outlet is a ditch and not permanently flowing treat wetland as "intermittently flowing")

8

D 4.2. Depth of storage during wet periods: Estimate the height of ponding above the bottom of the outlet. For wetlands with no outlet, measure from the surface of permanent water or deepest part (if dry).

Seasonal ponding: > 3 ft above the lowest point in wetland or the surface of permanent ponding points = 8

Seasonal ponding: 2 ft - < 3 ft above the lowest point in wetland or the surface of permanent ponding points = 6

The wetland is a headwater wetland points = 4

Seasonal ponding: 1 ft - < 2 ft points = 4

Seasonal ponding: 6 in - < 1 ft points = 2

Seasonal ponding: < 6 in or wetland has only saturated soils

points = 0

0

Total for D 4

Add the points in the boxes above

8

Rating of Site Potential If score is: 12-16 = H X 6-11 = M 0-5 = L

Record the rating on the first page

D 5.0. Does the landscape have the potential to support the hydrologic functions of the site?

D 5.1. Does the wetland receive stormwater discharges?

Yes = 1 No = 0

0

D 5.2. Is > 10% of the area within 150 ft of the wetland in a land use that generates runoff?

Yes = 1 No = 0

1

D 5.3. Is more than 25% of the contributing basin of the wetland covered with intensive human land uses?

Yes = 1 No = 0

1

Total for D 5

Add the points in the boxes above

2

Rating of Landscape Potential If score is: 3 = H X 1 or 2 = M 0 = L

Record the rating on the first page

D 6.0. Are the hydrologic functions provided by the site valuable to society?

D 6.1. The wetland is in a landscape that has flooding problems.

Choose the description that best matches conditions around the wetland being rated. Do not add points.

Choose the highest score if more than one condition is met.

The wetland captures surface water that would otherwise flow down-gradient into areas where flooding has damaged human or natural resources (e.g., houses or salmon redds), AND

Flooding occurs in sub-basin that is immediately down-gradient of wetland

points = 2

Surface flooding problems are in a sub-basin farther down-gradient

points = 1

The existing or potential outflow from the wetland is so constrained by human or natural conditions that the water stored by the wetland cannot reach areas that flood.

0

Explain why The wetland receives and stores very little water in the watershed.

points = 0

There are no problems with flooding downstream of the wetland

points = 0

D 6.2. Has the site has been identified as important for flood storage or flood conveyance in a regional flood control plan?

Yes = 2 No = 0

0

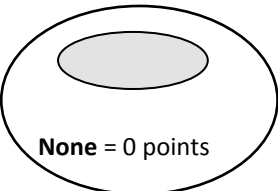
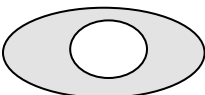

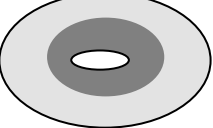
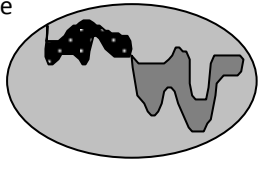
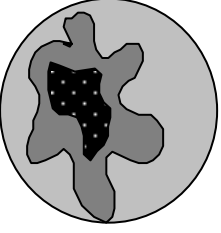
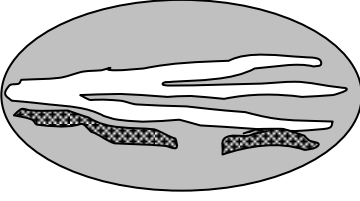
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Add the points in the boxes above

0

Rating of Value If score is: 2-4 = H 1 = M X 0 = L

Record the rating on the first page

These questions apply to wetlands of all HGM classes.		(only 1 score per box)
HABITAT FUNCTIONS - Indicators that site functions to provide important habitat		
H 1.0. Does the wetland have the potential to provide habitat for many species?		
<p>H 1.1. Structure of the plant community: <i>Check the Cowardin vegetation classes present and categories of emergent plants. Size threshold for each category is $\geq \frac{1}{4}$ ac or $\geq 10\%$ of the wetland if wetland is < 2.5 ac.</i></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Aquatic bed</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Emergent plants 0-12 in (0-30 cm) high are the highest layer and have $> 30\%$ cover</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Emergent plants $> 12-40$ in ($> 30-100$ cm) high are the highest layer with $> 30\%$ cover</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Emergent plants > 40 in (> 100 cm) high are the highest layer with $> 30\%$ cover</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Scrub-shrub (areas where shrubs have $> 30\%$ cover)</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Forested (areas where trees have $> 30\%$ cover)</p> <p style="text-align: right;">4 or more checks: points = 3 3 checks: points = 2 2 checks: points = 1 1 check: points = 0</p>	1	
H 1.2. Is one of the vegetation types Aquatic Bed?	Yes = 1 No = 0	1
<p>H 1.3. <u>Surface water</u></p> <p>H 1.3.1. Does the wetland have areas of open water (without emergent or shrub plants) over at least $\frac{1}{4}$ ac OR 10% of its area during the March to early June OR in August to the end of September? Answer YES for Lake Fringe wetlands. Yes = 3 points & go to H 1.4 No = go to H 1.3.2</p> <p>H 1.3.2. Does the wetland have an intermittent or permanent, and unvegetated stream within its boundaries, or along one side, over at least $\frac{1}{4}$ ac or 10% of its area? Answer yes only if H 1.3.1 is No. Yes = 3 No = 0</p>	0	
<p>H 1.4. <u>Richness of plant species</u></p> <p>Count the number of plant species in the wetland that cover at least 10 ft^2. <i>Different patches of the same species can be combined to meet the size threshold. You do not have to name the species.</i> <i>Do not include Eurasian milfoil, reed canarygrass, purple loosestrife, Russian olive, Phragmites, Canadian thistle, yellow-flag iris, and saltcedar (Tamarisk)</i></p> <p># of species <u>6</u></p> <p style="text-align: right;">Scoring: > 9 species: points = 2 4-9 species: points = 1 < 4 species: points = 0</p>	1	
<p>H 1.5. <u>Interspersion of habitats</u></p> <p>Decide from the diagrams below whether interspersions among types of plant structures (described in H 1.1), and unvegetated areas (open water or mudflats) is high, moderate, low, or none.</p> <p><i>Use map of Cowardin and emergent plant classes prepared for questions H 1.1 and map of open water from H 1.3. If you have four or more plant classes or three classes and open water, the rating is always high.</i></p> <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-around; align-items: flex-end;"> <div style="text-align: center;">  <p>None = 0 points</p> </div> <div style="text-align: center;">  <p>Low = 1 point</p> </div> <div style="text-align: center;">  <p>Moderate = 2 points</p> </div> <div style="text-align: center;">  </div> </div> <p>All three diagrams in this row are High = 3 points</p> <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-around; align-items: flex-end;">    </div> <p style="text-align: right;">Riparian braided channels with 2 classes</p>	Figure 1 0	

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H 1.6. Special habitat features <i>Check the habitat features that are present in the wetland. The number of checks is the number of points.</i> <input type="checkbox"/> Loose rocks larger than 4 in OR large, downed, woody debris (> 4 in diameter) within the area of surface ponding or in stream. <input type="checkbox"/> Cattails or bulrushes are present within the wetland. <input type="checkbox"/> Standing snags (diameter at the bottom > 4 in) in the wetland or within 30 m (100 ft) of the edge. <input type="checkbox"/> Emergent or shrub vegetation in areas that are permanently inundated/ponded. <input type="checkbox"/> Stable steep banks of fine material that might be used by beaver or muskrat for denning (> 45 degree slope) OR signs of recent beaver activity <input type="checkbox"/> Invasive species cover less than 20% in each stratum of vegetation (<i>canopy, sub-canopy, shrubs, herbaceous, moss/ground cover</i>)		0
Total for H 1	Add the points in the boxes above	3

Rating of Site Potential If score is: 15-18 = H 7-14 = M X 0-6 = L Record the rating on the first page

H 2.0. Does the landscape have the potential to support habitat functions of the site?		
H 2.1. Accessible habitat (only area of habitat abutting wetland). If total accessible habitat is: <i>Calculate:</i> % undisturbed habitat <u>0</u> + [(% moderate and low intensity land uses)/2] <u>0</u> = <u>0</u> % > 1/3 (33.3%) of 1 km Polygon points = 3 20-33% of 1km Polygon points = 2 10-19% of 1km Polygon points = 1 <u><10% of 1km Polygon</u> points = 0		0
H 2.2. Undisturbed habitat in 1 km Polygon around wetland. <i>Calculate:</i> % undisturbed habitat <u>0</u> + [(% moderate and low intensity land uses)/2] <u>16.3</u> = <u>16.3</u> % Undisturbed habitat > 50% of Polygon points = 3 Undisturbed habitat 10 - 50% and in 1-3 patches points = 2 <u>Undisturbed habitat 10 - 50% and > 3 patches</u> points = 1 Undisturbed habitat < 10% of Polygon points = 0		1
H 2.3. Land use intensity in 1 km Polygon: <u>> 50% of Polygon is high intensity land use</u> points = (- 2) Does not meet criterion above points = 0		-2
H 2.4. The wetland is in an area where annual rainfall is less than 12 in, and its water regime is not influenced by irrigation practices, dams, or water control structures. Generally, this means outside boundaries of reclamation areas, irrigation districts, or reservoirs Yes = 3 <u>No = 0</u>		0
Total for H 2	Add the points in the boxes above	-1

Rating of Landscape Potential If score is: 4-9 = H 1-3 = M X < 1 = L Record the rating on the first page

H 3.0. Is the habitat provided by the site valuable to society?		
H 3.1. Does the site provide habitat for species valued in laws, regulations, or policies? Choose the highest score that applies to the wetland being rated Site meets ANY of the following criteria: points = 2 — It has 3 or more priority habitats within 100 m (see Appendix B) — It provides habitat for Threatened or Endangered species (any plant or animal on state or federal lists) — It is mapped as a location for an individual WDFW species — It is a Wetland of High Conservation Value as determined by the Department of Natural Resources — It has been categorized as an important habitat site in a local or regional comprehensive plan, in a Shoreline Master Plan, or in a watershed plan Site has 1 or 2 priority habitats within 100 m (see Appendix B) points = 1 <u>Site does not meet any of the criteria above</u> points = 0		0

Rating of Value If score is: 2 = H 1 = M X 0 = L Record the rating on the first page

CATEGORIZATION BASED ON SPECIAL CHARACTERISTICS

Please determine if the wetland meets the attributes described below and circle the appropriate category. NOTE: A wetland may meet the criteria for more than one set of special characteristics. Record all those that apply. NOTE: All wetlands should also be characterized based on their functions.

Wetland Type	Category
<i>Check off any criteria that apply to the wetland. Circle the category when the appropriate criteria are met.</i>	
SC 1.0. Vernal pools Is the wetland less than 4000 ft² , and does it meet at least two of the following criteria? — Its only source of water is rainfall or snowmelt from a small contributing basin and has no groundwater input. — Wetland plants are typically present only in the spring; the summer vegetation is typically upland annuals. <i>If you find perennial, obligate, wetland plants, the wetland is probably NOT a vernal pool.</i> — The soil in the wetland is shallow [< 1 ft (30 cm) deep] and is underlain by an impermeable layer such as basalt or clay. — Surface water is present for less than 120 days during the wet season. <div style="text-align: right;">Yes – Go to SC 1.1 No = Not a vernal pool</div>	
SC 1.1. Is the vernal pool relatively undisturbed in February and March? <div style="text-align: right;">Yes – Go to SC 1.2 No = Not a vernal pool with special characteristics</div>	
SC 1.2. Is the vernal pool in an area where there are at least 3 separate aquatic resources within 0.5 mi (other wetlands, rivers, lakes etc.)? <div style="text-align: right;">Yes = Category II No = Category III</div>	Cat. II Cat. III
SC 2.0. Alkali wetlands Does the wetland meet one of the following criteria? — The wetland has a conductivity > 3.0 mS/cm. — The wetland has a conductivity between 2.0 and 3.0 mS, and more than 50% of the plant cover in the wetland can be classified as “alkali” species (see Table 4 for list of plants found in alkali systems). — If the wetland is dry at the time of your field visit, the central part of the area is covered with a layer of salt. OR does the wetland unit meet two of the following three sub-criteria? — Salt encrustations around more than 75% of the edge of the wetland — More than $\frac{3}{4}$ of the plant cover consists of species listed on Table 4 — A pH above 9.0. All alkali wetlands have a high pH, but please note that some freshwater wetlands may also have a high pH. Thus, pH alone is not a good indicator of alkali wetlands. <div style="text-align: right;">Yes = Category I No = Not an alkali wetland</div>	Cat. I
SC 3.0. Wetlands of High Conservation Value (WHCV) SC 3.1. Has the WA Department of Natural Resources updated their website to include the list of Wetlands of High Conservation Value? <div style="text-align: right;">Yes – Go to SC 3.2 No – Go to SC 3.3</div> SC 3.2. Is the wetland listed on the WDNR database as a Wetland of High Conservation Value? <div style="text-align: right;">Yes = Category I No = Not a WHCV</div> SC 3.3. Is the wetland in a Section/Township/Range that contains a Natural Heritage wetland? http://www1.dnr.wa.gov/nhp/refdesk/datasearch/wnhpwetlands.pdf <div style="text-align: right;">Yes – Contact WNHP/WDNR and go to SC 3.4 No = Not a WHCV</div> SC 3.4. Has WDNR identified the wetland within the S/T/R as a Wetland of High Conservation Value and it is listed on their website? <div style="text-align: right;">Yes = Category I No = Not a WHCV</div>	Cat. I

<p>SC 4.0 Bogs and Calcareous Fens</p> <p>Does the wetland (or any part of the wetland unit) meet both the criteria for soils and vegetation in bogs or calcareous fens? <i>Use the key below to identify if the wetland is a bog or calcareous fen. If you answer yes you will still need to rate the wetland based on its functions.</i></p> <p>SC 4.1. Does an area within the wetland have organic soil horizons (i.e., layers of organic soil), either peats or mucks, that compose 16 in or more of the first 32 in of the soil profile? <i>See Appendix C for a field key to identify organic soils.</i> Yes – Go to SC 4.3 No – Go to SC 4.2</p> <p>SC 4.2. Does an area within the wetland have organic soils, either peats or mucks, that are less than 16 in deep over bedrock or an impermeable hardpan such as clay or volcanic ash, or that are floating on top of a lake or pond? Yes – Go to SC 4.3 No = Is not a bog for rating</p> <p>SC 4.3. Does an area within the wetland have more than 70% cover of mosses at ground level AND at least 30% of the total plant cover consists of species in Table 5? Yes = Category I bog No – Go to SC 4.4 NOTE: If you are uncertain about the extent of mosses in the understory, you may substitute that criterion by measuring the pH of the water that seeps into a hole dug at least 16 in deep. If the pH is less than 5.0 and the plant species in Table 5 are present, the wetland is a bog.</p> <p>SC 4.4. Is an area with peats or mucks forested (> 30% cover) with subalpine fir, western red cedar, western hemlock, lodgepole pine, quaking aspen, Engelmann spruce, or western white pine, AND any of the species (or combination of species) listed in Table 5 provide more than 30% of the cover under the canopy? Yes = Category I bog No – Go to SC 4.5</p> <p>SC 4.5. Do the species listed in Table 6 comprise at least 20% of the total plant cover within an area of peats and mucks? Yes = Is a Calcareous Fen for purpose of rating No – Go to SC 4.6</p> <p>SC 4.6. Do the species listed in Table 6 comprise at least 10% of the total plant cover in an area of peats and mucks, AND one of the two following conditions is met: — Marl deposits [calcium carbonate (CaCO₃) precipitate] occur on the soil surface or plant stems — The pH of free water is ≥ 6.8 AND electrical conductivity is ≥ 200 uS/cm at multiple locations within the wetland Yes = Is a Category I calcareous fen No = Is not a calcareous fen </p>	<p>Cat. I</p> <p>Cat. I</p>
<p>SC 5.0. Forested Wetlands</p> <p>Does the wetland have an area of forest rooted within its boundary that meets at least one of the following three criteria? <i>(Continue only if you have identified that a forested class is present in question H 1.1)</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> — The wetland is within the 100 year floodplain of a river or stream — Aspen (<i>Populus tremuloides</i>) represents at least 20% of the total cover of woody species — There is at least ¼ ac of trees (even in wetlands smaller than 2.5 ac) that are “mature” or “old-growth” according to the definitions for these priority habitats developed by WDFW <i>(see definitions in question H3.1)</i> <p>Yes – Go to SC 5.1 No = Not a forested wetland with special characteristics</p> <p>SC 5.1. Does the wetland have a forest canopy where more than 50% of the tree species (by cover) are slow growing native trees <i>(see Table 7)?</i> Yes = Category I No – Go to SC 5.2</p> <p>SC 5.2. Does the wetland have areas where aspen (<i>Populus tremuloides</i>) represents at least 20% of the total cover of woody species? Yes = Category I No – Go to SC 5.3</p> <p>SC 5.3. Does the wetland have at least ¼ acre with a forest canopy where more than 50% of the tree species (by cover) are fast growing species <i>(see Table 7)?</i> Yes = Category II No – Go to SC 5.4</p> <p>SC 5.4. Is the forested component of the wetland within the 100 year floodplain of a river or stream? Yes = Category II No = Not a forested wetland with special characteristics</p>	<p>Cat. I</p> <p>Cat. I</p> <p>Cat. II</p> <p>Cat. II</p>
<p>Category of wetland based on Special Characteristics</p> <p><i>Choose the highest rating if wetland falls into several categories</i></p> <p>If you answered No for all types, enter “Not Applicable” on Summary Form</p>	<p>N/A</p>

Appendix B: WDFW Priority Habitats in Eastern Washington

Priority habitats listed by WDFW (see complete descriptions of WDFW priority habitats, and the counties in which they can be found, in: Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife. 2008. Priority Habitat and Species List. Olympia, Washington. 177 pp. <http://wdfw.wa.gov/publications/00165/wdfw00165.pdf> or access the list from here: <http://wdfw.wa.gov/conservation/phs/list/>)

Count how many of the following priority habitats are within 330 ft (100 m) of the wetland: **NOTE:** *This question is independent of the land use between the wetland and the priority habitat.*

- **Aspen Stands:** Pure or mixed stands of aspen greater than 1 ac (0.4 ha).
- **Biodiversity Areas and Corridors:** Areas of habitat that are relatively important to various species of native fish and wildlife (*full descriptions in WDFW PHS report*).
- **Old-growth/Mature forests:** Old-growth east of Cascade crest – Stands are highly variable in tree species composition and structural characteristics due to the influence of fire, climate, and soils. In general, stands will be >150 years of age, with 10 trees/ac (25 trees/ha) that are > 21 in (53 cm) dbh, and 1-3 snags/ac (2.5-7.5 snags/ha) that are > 12-14 in (30-35 cm) diameter. Downed logs may vary from abundant to absent. Canopies may be single or multi-layered. Evidence of human-caused alterations to the stand will be absent or so slight as to not affect the ecosystem's essential structures and functions. Mature forests – Stands with average diameters exceeding 21 in (53 cm) dbh; crown cover may be less than 100%; decay, decadence, numbers of snags, and quantity of large downed material is generally less than that found in old-growth; 80-200 years old west and 80-160 years old east of the Cascade crest.
- **Oregon White Oak:** Woodland stands of pure oak or oak/conifer associations where canopy coverage of the oak component is important (*full descriptions in WDFW PHS report p. 158 – see web link above*).
- **Riparian:** The area adjacent to aquatic systems with flowing water that contains elements of both aquatic and terrestrial ecosystems which mutually influence each other.
- **Instream:** The combination of physical, biological, and chemical processes and conditions that interact to provide functional life history requirements for instream fish and wildlife resources.
- **Caves:** A naturally occurring cavity, recess, void, or system of interconnected passages under the earth in soils, rock, ice, or other geological formations and is large enough to contain a human.
- **Cliffs:** Greater than 25 ft (7.6 m) high and occurring below 5000 ft elevation.
- **Talus:** Homogenous areas of rock rubble ranging in average size 0.5 - 6.5 ft (0.15 - 2.0 m), composed of basalt, andesite, and/or sedimentary rock, including riprap slides and mine tailings. May be associated with cliffs.
- **Snags and Logs:** Trees are considered snags if they are dead or dying and exhibit sufficient decay characteristics to enable cavity excavation/use by wildlife. Priority snags have a diameter at breast height of > 12 in (30 cm) in eastern Washington and are > 6.5 ft (2 m) in height. Priority logs are > 12 in (30 cm) in diameter at the largest end, and > 20 ft (6 m) long.
- **Shrub-steppe:** A nonforested vegetation type consisting of one or more layers of perennial bunchgrasses and a conspicuous but discontinuous layer of shrubs (see Eastside Steppe for sites with little or no shrub cover).
- **Eastside Steppe:** Nonforested vegetation type dominated by broadleaf herbaceous flora (i.e., forbs), perennial bunchgrasses, or a combination of both. Bluebunch wheatgrass (*Pseudoroegneria spicata*) is often the prevailing cover component along with Idaho fescue (*Festuca idahoensis*), Sandberg bluegrass (*Poa secunda*), rough fescue (*F. campestris*), or needlegrasses (*Achnatherum* spp.).
- **Juniper Savannah:** All juniper woodlands.

Note: All vegetated wetlands are by definition a priority habitat but are not included in this list because they are addressed elsewhere.

Legend

- Streams
- Wetland Boundary
- 150ft Buffer

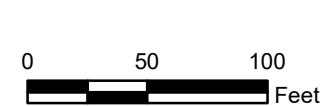
Cowardin Classification

- Emergent
- Scrub-Shrub



Figure 1. Wetland J Cowardin Classifications

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Legend

Streams

Wetland Boundary

Hydroperiods

Occasionally Flooded or Inundated

Saturated Only

Figure 2. Wetland J Hydroperiods
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0 50 100
Feet



Legend

- Streams
- Wetlands
- Contributing Basin

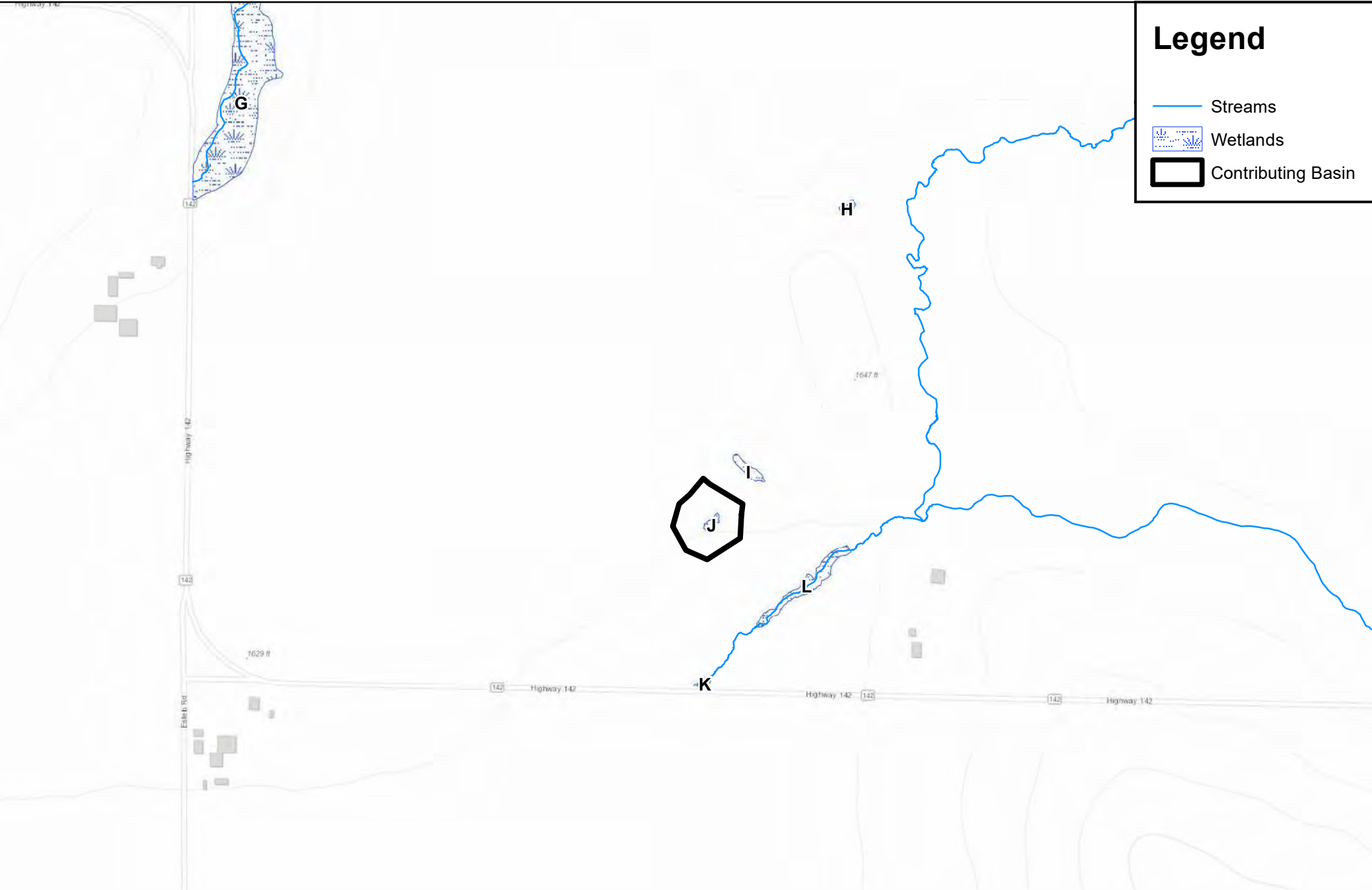
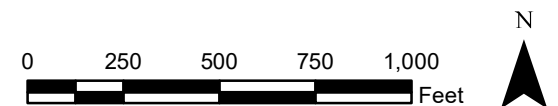


Figure 3. Wetland J Contributing Basin
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Legend

— WDNR Streams

Wetlands

Land Use Intensity

High

Low

Moderate

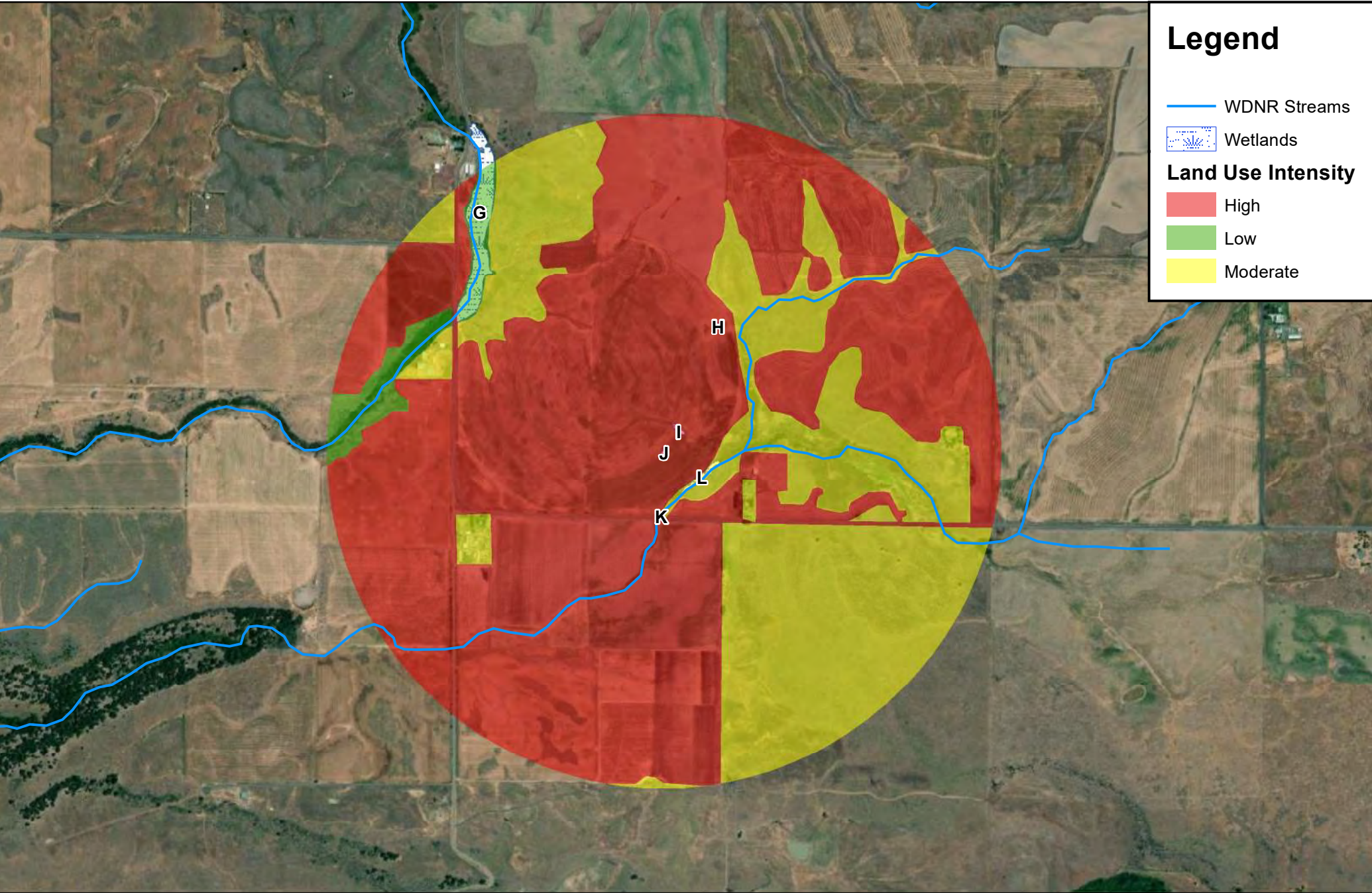
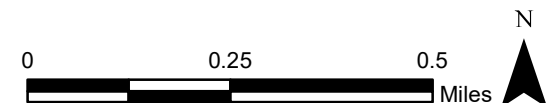


Figure 4. Wetland J Land Use and Habitat Map

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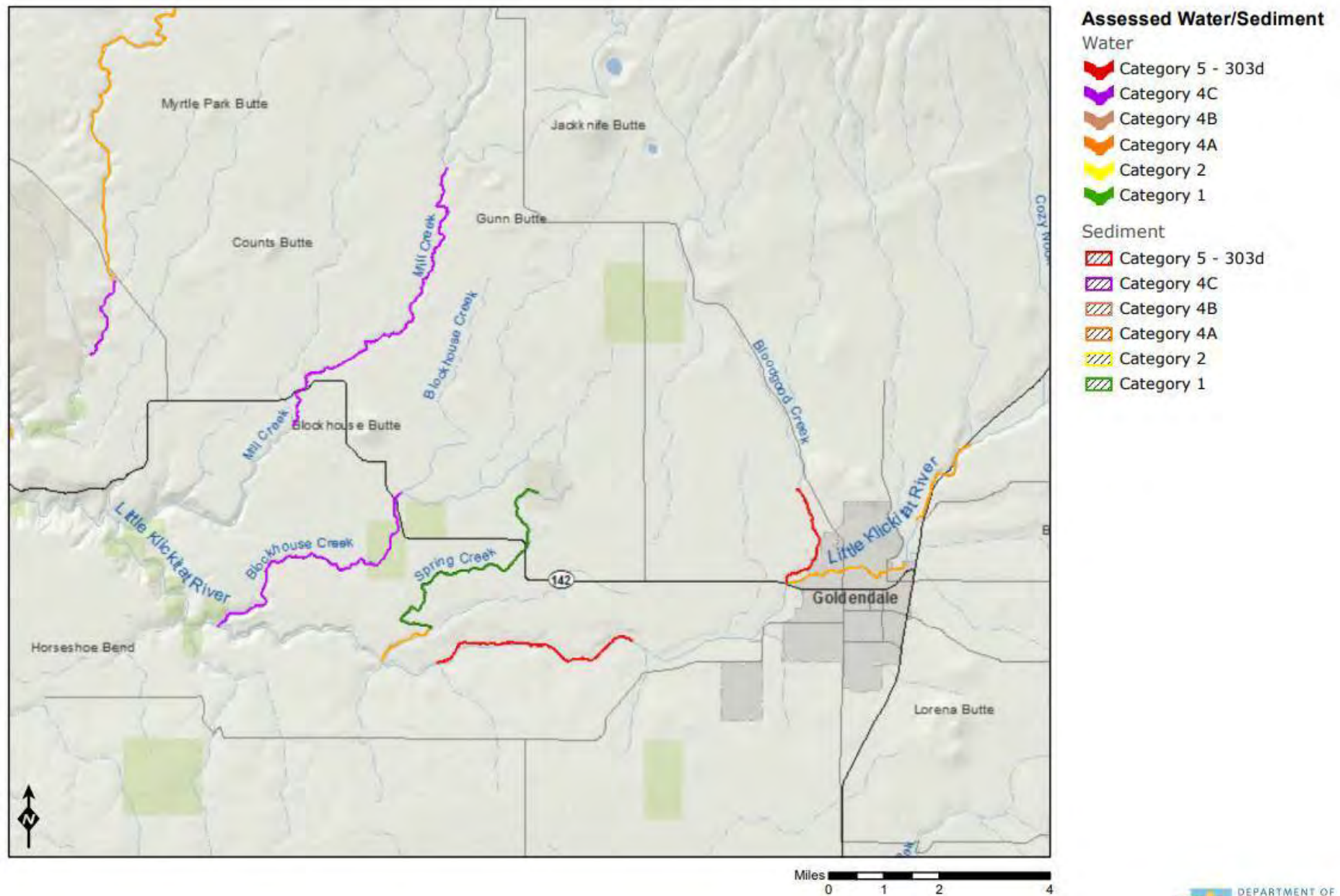


Figure 5. 303(d) Listed Waters in Little Klickitat River Basin (WRIA 30)

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Klickitat County

Ecology homepage > Water & Shorelines > Water improvement > Total Maximum Daily Load process > Directory of projects > Klickitat County

Water quality improvement projects

Select the waterbody or pollutant name to find more information about the specific project.

Waterbody Name(s)	Pollutant(s)	Status	Project Lead(s)
Little Klickitat River	BOD (5-day) Chlorine	EPA approved	Mark Peterschmidt 509-454-7843
Little Klickitat River Watershed	Temperature	EPA approved and Has an implementation plan	Mark Peterschmidt 509-454-7843

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Figure 6. TMDL's in Klickitat County (WRIA 29, 30, 31, and 37)

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RATING SUMMARY – Eastern Washington

Name of wetland (or ID #): K Date of site visit: 7/24/2021

Rated by Brandon Stimac and Bridget Wojtala Trained by Ecology? ☒ Yes ☐ No Date of training Oct. 2020

HGM Class used for rating Riverine Wetland has multiple HGM classes? ☐ Y ☒ N

NOTE: Form is not complete without the figures requested (figures can be combined).

Source of base aerial photo/map ESRI

OVERALL WETLAND CATEGORY Cat. III (based on functions ☒ or special characteristics ☐)

1. Category of wetland based on FUNCTIONS

☐ **Category I** – Total score = 22-27

☐ **Category II** – Total score = 19-21

☒ **Category III** – Total score = 16-18

☐ **Category IV** – Total score = 9-15

FUNCTION	Improving Water Quality	Hydrologic	Habitat	
<i>Circle the appropriate ratings</i>				
Site Potential	H M <input type="radio"/> L	<input type="radio"/> H M L	H <input type="radio"/> M L	
Landscape Potential	H <input type="radio"/> M L	H <input type="radio"/> M L	H M <input type="radio"/> L	
Value	H M <input type="radio"/> L	<input type="radio"/> H M L	H <input type="radio"/> M L	TOTAL
Score Based on Ratings	4	8	5	17

**Score for each
function based
on three
ratings
(order of ratings
is not
important)**

9 = H,H,H
8 = H,H,M
7 = H,H,L
7 = H,M,M
6 = H,M,L
6 = M,M,M
5 = H,L,L
5 = M,M,L
4 = M,L,L
3 = L,L,L

2. Category based on SPECIAL CHARACTERISTICS of wetland

CHARACTERISTIC	CATEGORY <i>Circle the appropriate category</i>
Vernal Pools	II III
Alkali	I
Wetland of High Conservation Value	I
Bog and Calcareous Fens	I
Old Growth or Mature Forest – slow growing	I
Aspen Forest	I
Old Growth or Mature Forest – fast growing	II
Floodplain forest	II
None of the above	X

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Maps and figures required to answer questions correctly for Eastern Washington Depressional Wetlands

Map of:	To answer questions:	Figure #
Cowardin plant classes and classes of emergents	D 1.3, H 1.1, H 1.5	
Hydroperiods (including area of open water for H 1.3)	D 1.4, H 1.2, H 1.3	
Location of outlet (<i>can be added to map of hydroperiods</i>)	D 1.1, D 4.1	
Boundary of area within 150 ft of the wetland (<i>can be added to another figure</i>)	D 2.2, D 5.2	
Map of the contributing basin	D 5.3	
1 km Polygon: Area that extends 1 km from entire wetland edge - including polygons for accessible habitat and undisturbed habitat	H 2.1, H 2.2, H 2.3	
Screen capture of map of 303(d) listed waters in basin (from Ecology website)	D 3.1, D 3.2	
Screen capture of list of TMDLs for WRIA in which wetland is found (website)	D 3.3	

Riverine Wetlands

Map of:	To answer questions:	Figure #
Cowardin plant classes and classes of emergents	H 1.1, H 1.5	1
Hydroperiods	H 1.2, H 1.3	2
Ponded depressions	R 1.1	2
Boundary of area within 150 ft of the wetland (<i>can be added to another figure</i>)	R 2.4	1
Map of the contributing basin	R 2.2, R 2.3, R 5.2	1
Plant cover of trees, shrubs, and herbaceous plants	R 1.2, R 4.2	1-2
Width of wetland vs. width of stream (<i>can be added to another figure</i>)	R 4.1	3
1 km Polygon: Area that extends 1 km from entire wetland edge - including polygons for accessible habitat and undisturbed habitat	H 2.1, H 2.2, H 2.3	4
Screen capture of map of 303(d) listed waters in basin (from Ecology website)	R 3.1	5
Screen capture of list of TMDLs for WRIA in which wetland is found (website)	R 3.2, R 3.3	6

Lake Fringe Wetlands

Map of:	To answer questions:	Figure #
Cowardin plant classes and classes of emergents	L 1.1, L 4.1, H 1.1, H 1.5	
Plant cover of trees, shrubs, and herbaceous plants	L 1.2	
Boundary of area within 150 ft of the wetland (<i>can be added to another figure</i>)	L 2.2	
1 km Polygon: Area that extends 1 km from entire wetland edge - including polygons for accessible habitat and undisturbed habitat	H 2.1, H 2.2, H 2.3	
Screen capture of map of 303(d) listed waters in basin (from Ecology website)	L 3.1, L 3.2	
Screen capture of list of TMDLs for WRIA in which wetland is found (website)	L 3.3	

Slope Wetlands

Map of:	To answer questions:	Figure #
Cowardin plant classes and classes of emergents	H 1.1, H 1.5	
Hydroperiods	H 1.2, H 1.3	
Plant cover of dense trees, shrubs, and herbaceous plants	S 1.3	
Plant cover of dense, rigid trees, shrubs, and herbaceous plants (<i>can be added to figure above</i>)	S 4.1	
Boundary of area within 150 ft of the wetland (<i>can be added to another figure</i>)	S 2.1, S 5.1	
1 km Polygon: Area that extends 1 km from entire wetland edge - including polygons for accessible habitat and undisturbed habitat	H 2.1, H 2.2, H 2.3	
Screen capture of map of 303(d) listed waters in basin (from Ecology website)	S 3.1, S 3.2	
Screen capture of list of TMDLs for WRIA in which wetland is found (website)	S 3.3	

HGM Classification of Wetland in Eastern Washington

For questions 1-4, the criteria described must apply to the entire unit being rated.

If the hydrologic criteria listed in each question do not apply to the entire unit being rated, you probably have a unit with multiple HGM classes. In this case, identify which hydrologic criteria in questions 1-4 apply, and go to Question 5.

1. Does the entire unit **meet both** of the following criteria?

☐ The vegetated part of the wetland is on the water side of the Ordinary High Water Mark of a body of permanent open water (without any plants on the surface) that is at least 20 ac (8 ha) in size
☐ At least 30% of the open water area is deeper than 10 ft (3 m)

NO - go to 2

YES - The wetland class is **Lake Fringe** (Lacustrine Fringe)

2. Does the entire wetland unit **meet all** of the following criteria?

☐ The wetland is on a slope (*slope can be very gradual*),
☐ The water flows through the wetland in one direction (unidirectional) and usually comes from seeps. It may flow subsurface, as sheetflow, or in a swale without distinct banks;
☐ The water leaves the wetland **without being impounded**.

NO - go to 3

YES - The wetland class is **Slope**

NOTE: Surface water does not pond in these type of wetlands except occasionally in very small and shallow depressions or behind hummocks (depressions are usually <3 ft diameter and less than 1 foot deep).

3. Does the entire wetland unit **meet all** of the following criteria?

☒ The unit is in a valley, or stream channel, where it gets inundated by overbank flooding from that stream or river;
☒ The overbank flooding occurs at least once every 10 years.

NO - go to 4

YES - The wetland class is **Riverine**

NOTE: The Riverine wetland can contain depressions that are filled with water when the river is not flooding.

4. Is the entire wetland unit in a topographic depression in which water ponds, or is saturated to the surface, at some time during the year. *This means that any outlet, if present, is higher than the interior of the wetland.*

NO - go to 5

YES - The wetland class is **Depressional**

5. Your wetland unit seems to be difficult to classify and probably contains several different HGM classes. For example, seeps at the base of a slope may grade into a riverine floodplain, or a small stream within a Depressional wetland has a zone of flooding along its sides. **GO BACK AND IDENTIFY WHICH OF THE HYDROLOGIC REGIMES DESCRIBED IN QUESTIONS 1-4 APPLY TO DIFFERENT AREAS IN THE WETLAND UNIT** (make a rough sketch to help you decide). Use the following table to identify the appropriate class to use for the rating system if you have several HGM classes present within the wetland unit being scored.

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NOTE: Use this table only if the class that is recommended in the second column represents 10% or more of the total area of the wetland unit being rated. If the area of the HGM class listed in column 2 is less than 10% of the wetland unit; classify the wetland using the class that represents more than 90% of the total area.

HGM classes within the wetland unit being rated	HGM Class to use in rating
Slope + Riverine	Riverine
Slope + Depressional	Depressional
Slope + Lake Fringe	Lake Fringe
Depressional + Riverine (the riverine portion is within the boundary of depression)	Depressional
Depressional + Lake Fringe	Depressional
Riverine + Lake Fringe	Riverine

*If you are still unable to determine which of the above criteria apply to your wetland, or if you have **more than 2 HGM classes** within a wetland boundary, classify the wetland as Depressional for the rating.*

Wetland name or number K

RIVERINE WETLANDS		Points (only 1 score per box)
Water Quality Functions - Indicators that the site functions to improve water quality		
R 1.0. Does the site have the potential to improve water quality?		
R 1.1. Area of surface depressions within the Riverine wetland that can trap sediments during a flooding event: Depressions cover $> \frac{1}{3}$ area of wetland Depressions cover $> \frac{1}{10}$ area of wetland Depressions present but cover $< \frac{1}{10}$ area of wetland <u>No depressions present</u>	points = 6 points = 3 points = 1 <u>points = 0</u>	0
R 1.2. Structure of plants in the wetland (areas with $>90\%$ cover at person height; not Cowardin classes): Forest or shrub $> \frac{2}{3}$ the area of the wetland Forest or shrub $\frac{1}{3} - \frac{2}{3}$ area of the wetland Ungrazed, herbaceous plants $> \frac{2}{3}$ area of wetland <u>Ungrazed herbaceous plants $\frac{1}{3} - \frac{2}{3}$ area of wetland</u> Forest, shrub, and ungrazed herbaceous $< \frac{1}{3}$ area of wetland	points = 10 points = 5 points = 5 <u>points = 2</u> points = 0	2
Total for R 1	Add the points in the boxes above	2

Rating of Site Potential If score is: 12-16 = H 6-11 = M X 0-5 = L

Record the rating on the first page

R 2.0. Does the landscape have the potential to support the water quality function of the site?		
R 2.1. Is the wetland within an incorporated city or within its UGA?	Yes = 2 <u>No = 0</u>	0
R 2.2. Does the contributing basin include a UGA or incorporated area?	Yes = 1 <u>No = 0</u>	0
R 2.3. Does at least 10% of the contributing basin contain tilled fields, pastures, or forests that have been clearcut within the last 5 years?	<u>Yes = 1</u> No = 0	1
R 2.4. Is $> 10\%$ of the area within 150 ft of wetland in land uses that generate pollutants	<u>Yes = 1</u> No = 0	1
R 2.5. Are there other sources of pollutants coming into the wetland that are not listed in questions R 2.1-R 2.4? Source _____	Yes = 1 <u>No = 0</u>	0
Total for R 2	Add the points in the boxes above	2

Rating of Landscape Potential If score is: 3-6 = H X 1 or 2 = M 0 = L

Record the rating on the first page

R 3.0. Is the water quality improvement provided by the site valuable to society?		
R 3.1. Is the wetland along a stream or river that is on the 303(d) list or on a tributary that drains to one within 1 mi?	Yes = 1 <u>No = 0</u>	0
R 3.2. Does the river or stream have TMDL limits for nutrients, toxics, or pathogens?	Yes = 1 <u>No = 0</u>	0
R 3.3. Has the site been identified in a watershed or local plan as important for maintaining water quality? <i>Answer YES if there is a TMDL for the drainage in which wetland is found.</i>	Yes = 2 <u>No = 0</u>	0
Total for R 3	Add the points in the boxes above	0

Rating of Value If score is: 2-4 = H 1 = M X 0 = L

Record the rating on the first page

Wetland name or number K

RIVERINE WETLANDS

Points
(only 1 score
per box)

Hydrologic Functions - Indicators that site functions to reduce flooding and stream erosion

R 4.0. Does the site have the potential to reduce flooding and erosion?

R 4.1. Characteristics of the overbank storage the wetland provides:

Estimate the average width of the wetland perpendicular to the direction of the flow and the width of the stream or river channel (distance between banks). Calculate the ratio: (average width of wetland)/(average width of stream between banks).

If the ratio is more than 2

points = 10

If the ratio is 1-2

points = 8

If the ratio is ½-<1

points = 4

If the ratio is ¼-< ½

points = 2

If the ratio is < ¼

points = 1

10

R 4.2. Characteristics of plants that slow down water velocities during floods: *Treat large woody debris as forest or shrub. Choose the points appropriate for the best description (polygons need to have > 90% cover at person height. These are NOT Cowardin classes).*

Forest or shrub for more than $\frac{2}{3}$ the area of the wetland

points = 6

Forest or shrub for $>\frac{1}{3}$ area OR emergent plants $>\frac{2}{3}$ area

points = 4

Forest or shrub for $>\frac{1}{10}$ area OR emergent plants $>\frac{1}{3}$ area

points = 2

Plants do not meet above criteria

points = 0

4

Total for R 5

Add the points in the boxes above

14

Rating of Site Potential If score is: X 12-16 = H 6-11 = M 0-5 = L

Record the rating on the first page

R 5.0. Does the landscape have the potential to support the hydrologic functions of the site?

R 5.1. Is the stream or river adjacent to the wetland downcut?

Yes = 0 No = 1

1

R 5.2. Does the up-gradient watershed include a UGA or incorporated area?

Yes = 1 No = 0

0

R 5.3. Is the up-gradient stream or river controlled by dams?

Yes = 0 No = 1

1

Total for R 5

Add the points in the boxes above

2

Rating of Landscape Potential If score is: 3 = H X 1 or 2 = M 0 = L

Record the rating on the first page

R 6.0. Are the hydrologic functions provided by the site valuable to society?

R 6.1. Distance to the nearest areas downstream that have flooding problems? *Choose the description that best fits the site.*

The sub-basin immediately down-gradient of site has surface flooding problems that result in damage to human or natural resources

points = 2

Surface flooding problems are in a basin farther down-gradient

points = 1

No flooding problems anywhere downstream

points = 0

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R 6.2. Has the site been identified as important for flood storage or flood conveyance in a regional flood control plan?

Yes = 2 No = 0

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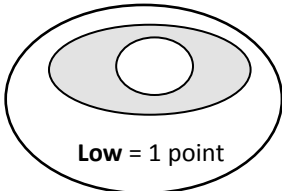
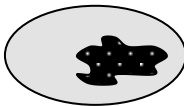
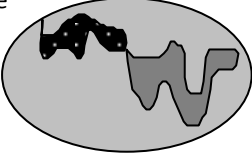
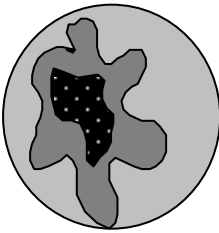
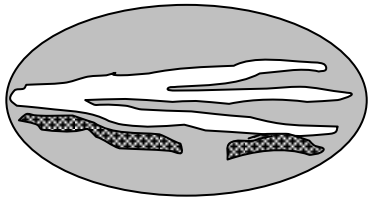
Total for R 6

Add the points in the boxes above

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Rating of Value If score is: X 2-4 = H 1 = M 0 = L

Record the rating on the first page

These questions apply to wetlands of all HGM classes.		(only 1 score per box)
HABITAT FUNCTIONS - Indicators that site functions to provide important habitat		
H 1.0. Does the wetland have the potential to provide habitat for many species?		
<p>H 1.1. Structure of the plant community: <i>Check the Cowardin vegetation classes present and categories of emergent plants. Size threshold for each category is $\geq \frac{1}{4}$ ac or $\geq 10\%$ of the wetland if wetland is < 2.5 ac.</i></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Aquatic bed</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Emergent plants 0-12 in (0-30 cm) high are the highest layer and have $> 30\%$ cover</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Emergent plants >12-40 in (>30-100 cm) high are the highest layer with $>30\%$ cover</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Emergent plants > 40 in (> 100 cm) high are the highest layer with $>30\%$ cover</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Scrub-shrub (areas where shrubs have $>30\%$ cover)</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Forested (areas where trees have $>30\%$ cover)</p> <p style="text-align: right;">4 or more checks: points = 3 3 checks: points = 2 2 checks: points = 1 1 check: points = 0</p>		2
H 1.2. Is one of the vegetation types Aquatic Bed?		Yes = 1 <u>No = 0</u>
<p>H 1.3. <u>Surface water</u></p> <p>H 1.3.1. Does the wetland have areas of open water (without emergent or shrub plants) over at least $\frac{1}{4}$ ac OR 10% of its area during the March to early June OR in August to the end of September? Answer YES for Lake Fringe wetlands.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>Yes = 3 points & go to H 1.4</u> No = go to H 1.3.2</p> <p>H 1.3.2. Does the wetland have an intermittent or permanent, and unvegetated stream within its boundaries, or along one side, over at least $\frac{1}{4}$ ac or 10% of its area? Answer yes only if H 1.3.1 is No.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Yes = 3 No = 0</p>		3
<p>H 1.4. <u>Richness of plant species</u></p> <p>Count the number of plant species in the wetland that cover at least 10 ft^2. <i>Different patches of the same species can be combined to meet the size threshold. You do not have to name the species.</i></p> <p><i>Do not include Eurasian milfoil, reed canarygrass, purple loosestrife, Russian olive, Phragmites, Canadian thistle, yellow-flag iris, and saltcedar (Tamarisk)</i></p> <p># of species <u>5</u></p> <p style="text-align: right;">Scoring: > 9 species: points = 2 <u>4-9 species: points = 1</u> < 4 species: points = 0</p>		1
<p>H 1.5. <u>Interspersion of habitats</u></p> <p>Decide from the diagrams below whether interspersions among types of plant structures (described in H 1.1), and unvegetated areas (open water or mudflats) is high, moderate, low, or none.</p> <p><i>Use map of Cowardin and emergent plant classes prepared for questions H 1.1 and map of open water from H 1.3. If you have four or more plant classes or three classes and open water, the rating is always high.</i></p> <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-around; align-items: flex-end;"> <div style="text-align: center;">  <p>None = 0 points</p> </div> <div style="text-align: center;">  <p>Low = 1 point</p> </div> <div style="text-align: center;">  <p>Moderate = 2 points</p> </div> </div> <p>All three diagrams in this row are</p> <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-around; align-items: flex-end;"> <div style="text-align: center;">  </div> <div style="text-align: center;">  </div> <div style="text-align: center;">  <p>Riparian braided channels with 2 classes</p> </div> </div> <p>High = 3 points</p>		Figure <u>1</u> 1

Wetland name or number K

H 1.6. Special habitat features <i>Check the habitat features that are present in the wetland. The number of checks is the number of points.</i> <input type="checkbox"/> Loose rocks larger than 4 in OR large, downed, woody debris (> 4 in diameter) within the area of surface ponding or in stream. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Cattails or bulrushes are present within the wetland. <input type="checkbox"/> Standing snags (diameter at the bottom > 4 in) in the wetland or within 30 m (100 ft) of the edge. <input type="checkbox"/> Emergent or shrub vegetation in areas that are permanently inundated/ponded. <input type="checkbox"/> Stable steep banks of fine material that might be used by beaver or muskrat for denning (> 45 degree slope) OR signs of recent beaver activity <input type="checkbox"/> Invasive species cover less than 20% in each stratum of vegetation (<i>canopy, sub-canopy, shrubs, herbaceous, moss/ground cover</i>)		1
Total for H 1	Add the points in the boxes above	8

Rating of Site Potential If score is: 15-18 = H X 7-14 = M 0-6 = L *Record the rating on the first page*

H 2.0. Does the landscape have the potential to support habitat functions of the site?		
H 2.1. Accessible habitat (only area of habitat abutting wetland). If total accessible habitat is: <i>Calculate: % undisturbed habitat</i> <u> 0 </u> + [(% moderate and low intensity land uses)/2] <u> 4.7 </u> = <u> 4.7 </u> % > 1/3 (33.3%) of 1 km Polygon points = 3 20-33% of 1km Polygon points = 2 10-19% of 1km Polygon points = 1 <u><10% of 1km Polygon</u> points = 0		0
H 2.2. Undisturbed habitat in 1 km Polygon around wetland. <i>Calculate: % undisturbed habitat</i> <u> 0 </u> + [(% moderate and low intensity land uses)/2] <u> 18.8 </u> = <u> 18.8 </u> % Undisturbed habitat > 50% of Polygon points = 3 Undisturbed habitat 10 - 50% and in 1-3 patches points = 2 <u>Undisturbed habitat 10 - 50% and > 3 patches</u> points = 1 Undisturbed habitat < 10% of Polygon points = 0		1
H 2.3. Land use intensity in 1 km Polygon: <u>> 50% of Polygon is high intensity land use</u> points = (- 2) Does not meet criterion above points = 0		-2
H 2.4. The wetland is in an area where annual rainfall is less than 12 in, and its water regime is not influenced by irrigation practices, dams, or water control structures. Generally, this means outside boundaries of reclamation areas, irrigation districts, or reservoirs Hatchery is upstream Yes = 3 <u>No = 0</u>		0
Total for H 2	Add the points in the boxes above	-1

Rating of Landscape Potential If score is: 4-9 = H 1-3 = M X < 1 = L *Record the rating on the first page*

H 3.0. Is the habitat provided by the site valuable to society?		
H 3.1. Does the site provide habitat for species valued in laws, regulations, or policies? Choose the highest score that applies to the wetland being rated Site meets ANY of the following criteria: points = 2 — It has 3 or more priority habitats within 100 m (see Appendix B) — It provides habitat for Threatened or Endangered species (any plant or animal on state or federal lists) — It is mapped as a location for an individual WDFW species — It is a Wetland of High Conservation Value as determined by the Department of Natural Resources — It has been categorized as an important habitat site in a local or regional comprehensive plan, in a Shoreline Master Plan, or in a watershed plan <u>Site has 1 or 2 priority habitats within 100 m (see Appendix B)</u> points = 1 Site does not meet any of the criteria above points = 0		1

Rating of Value If score is: 2 = H X 1 = M 0 = L *Record the rating on the first page*

CATEGORIZATION BASED ON SPECIAL CHARACTERISTICS

Please determine if the wetland meets the attributes described below and circle the appropriate category. NOTE: A wetland may meet the criteria for more than one set of special characteristics. Record all those that apply. NOTE: All wetlands should also be characterized based on their functions.

Wetland Type	Category
<i>Check off any criteria that apply to the wetland. Circle the category when the appropriate criteria are met.</i>	
SC 1.0. Vernal pools Is the wetland less than 4000 ft² , and does it meet at least two of the following criteria? — Its only source of water is rainfall or snowmelt from a small contributing basin and has no groundwater input. — Wetland plants are typically present only in the spring; the summer vegetation is typically upland annuals. <i>If you find perennial, obligate, wetland plants, the wetland is probably NOT a vernal pool.</i> — The soil in the wetland is shallow [< 1 ft (30 cm) deep] and is underlain by an impermeable layer such as basalt or clay. — Surface water is present for less than 120 days during the wet season. <div style="text-align: right;">Yes – Go to SC 1.1 No = Not a vernal pool</div>	
SC 1.1. Is the vernal pool relatively undisturbed in February and March? <div style="text-align: right;">Yes – Go to SC 1.2 No = Not a vernal pool with special characteristics</div>	
SC 1.2. Is the vernal pool in an area where there are at least 3 separate aquatic resources within 0.5 mi (other wetlands, rivers, lakes etc.)? <div style="text-align: right;">Yes = Category II No = Category III</div>	Cat. II Cat. III
SC 2.0. Alkali wetlands Does the wetland meet one of the following criteria? — The wetland has a conductivity > 3.0 mS/cm. — The wetland has a conductivity between 2.0 and 3.0 mS, and more than 50% of the plant cover in the wetland can be classified as “alkali” species (see Table 4 for list of plants found in alkali systems). — If the wetland is dry at the time of your field visit, the central part of the area is covered with a layer of salt. OR does the wetland unit meet two of the following three sub-criteria? — Salt encrustations around more than 75% of the edge of the wetland — More than $\frac{3}{4}$ of the plant cover consists of species listed on Table 4 — A pH above 9.0. All alkali wetlands have a high pH, but please note that some freshwater wetlands may also have a high pH. Thus, pH alone is not a good indicator of alkali wetlands. <div style="text-align: right;">Yes = Category I No = Not an alkali wetland</div>	Cat. I
SC 3.0. Wetlands of High Conservation Value (WHCV) SC 3.1. Has the WA Department of Natural Resources updated their website to include the list of Wetlands of High Conservation Value? <div style="text-align: right;">Yes – Go to SC 3.2 No – Go to SC 3.3</div> SC 3.2. Is the wetland listed on the WDNR database as a Wetland of High Conservation Value? <div style="text-align: right;">Yes = Category I No = Not a WHCV</div> SC 3.3. Is the wetland in a Section/Township/Range that contains a Natural Heritage wetland? http://www1.dnr.wa.gov/nhp/refdesk/datasearch/wnhpwetlands.pdf <div style="text-align: right;">Yes – Contact WNHP/WDNR and go to SC 3.4 No = Not a WHCV</div> SC 3.4. Has WDNR identified the wetland within the S/T/R as a Wetland of High Conservation Value and it is listed on their website? <div style="text-align: right;">Yes = Category I No = Not a WHCV</div>	Cat. I

SC 4.0 Bogs and Calcareous Fens Does the wetland (or any part of the wetland unit) meet both the criteria for soils and vegetation in bogs or calcareous fens? <i>Use the key below to identify if the wetland is a bog or calcareous fen. If you answer yes you will still need to rate the wetland based on its functions.</i>		
SC 4.1. Does an area within the wetland have organic soil horizons (i.e., layers of organic soil), either peats or mucks, that compose 16 in or more of the first 32 in of the soil profile? <i>See Appendix C for a field key to identify organic soils.</i>	Yes – Go to SC 4.3 No – Go to SC 4.2	
SC 4.2. Does an area within the wetland have organic soils, either peats or mucks, that are less than 16 in deep over bedrock or an impermeable hardpan such as clay or volcanic ash, or that are floating on top of a lake or pond?	Yes – Go to SC 4.3 No = Is not a bog for rating	
SC 4.3. Does an area within the wetland have more than 70% cover of mosses at ground level AND at least 30% of the total plant cover consists of species in Table 5? NOTE: If you are uncertain about the extent of mosses in the understory, you may substitute that criterion by measuring the pH of the water that seeps into a hole dug at least 16 in deep. If the pH is less than 5.0 and the plant species in Table 5 are present, the wetland is a bog.	Yes = Category I bog No – Go to SC 4.4	
SC 4.4. Is an area with peats or mucks forested (> 30% cover) with subalpine fir, western red cedar, western hemlock, lodgepole pine, quaking aspen, Engelmann spruce, or western white pine, AND any of the species (or combination of species) listed in Table 5 provide more than 30% of the cover under the canopy?	Yes = Category I bog No – Go to SC 4.5	Cat. I
SC 4.5. Do the species listed in Table 6 comprise at least 20% of the total plant cover within an area of peats and mucks?	Yes = Is a Calcareous Fen for purpose of rating No – Go to SC 4.6	
SC 4.6. Do the species listed in Table 6 comprise at least 10% of the total plant cover in an area of peats and mucks, AND one of the two following conditions is met: — Marl deposits [calcium carbonate (CaCO ₃) precipitate] occur on the soil surface or plant stems — The pH of free water is ≥ 6.8 AND electrical conductivity is ≥ 200 uS/cm at multiple locations within the wetland	Yes = Is a Category I calcareous fen No = Is not a calcareous fen	Cat. I
SC 5.0. Forested Wetlands Does the wetland have an area of forest rooted within its boundary that meets at least one of the following three criteria? <i>(Continue only if you have identified that a forested class is present in question H 1.1)</i> — The wetland is within the 100 year floodplain of a river or stream — Aspen (<i>Populus tremuloides</i>) represents at least 20% of the total cover of woody species — There is at least ¼ ac of trees (even in wetlands smaller than 2.5 ac) that are “mature” or “old-growth” according to the definitions for these priority habitats developed by WDFW <i>(see definitions in question H3.1)</i> Yes – Go to SC 5.1 No = Not a forested wetland with special characteristics		
SC 5.1. Does the wetland have a forest canopy where more than 50% of the tree species (by cover) are slow growing native trees <i>(see Table 7)?</i>	Yes = Category I No – Go to SC 5.2	Cat. I
SC 5.2. Does the wetland have areas where aspen (<i>Populus tremuloides</i>) represents at least 20% of the total cover of woody species?	Yes = Category I No – Go to SC 5.3	Cat. I
SC 5.3. Does the wetland have at least ¼ acre with a forest canopy where more than 50% of the tree species (by cover) are fast growing species <i>(see Table 7)?</i>	Yes = Category II No – Go to SC 5.4	Cat. II
SC 5.4. Is the forested component of the wetland within the 100 year floodplain of a river or stream?	Yes = Category II No = Not a forested wetland with special characteristics	Cat. II
Category of wetland based on Special Characteristics <i>Choose the highest rating if wetland falls into several categories</i> If you answered No for all types, enter “Not Applicable” on Summary Form		N/A

Appendix B: WDFW Priority Habitats in Eastern Washington

Priority habitats listed by WDFW (see complete descriptions of WDFW priority habitats, and the counties in which they can be found, in: Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife. 2008. Priority Habitat and Species List. Olympia, Washington. 177 pp. <http://wdfw.wa.gov/publications/00165/wdfw00165.pdf> or access the list from here: <http://wdfw.wa.gov/conservation/phs/list/>)

Count how many of the following priority habitats are within 330 ft (100 m) of the wetland: **NOTE:** *This question is independent of the land use between the wetland and the priority habitat.*

- **Aspen Stands:** Pure or mixed stands of aspen greater than 1 ac (0.4 ha).
- **Biodiversity Areas and Corridors:** Areas of habitat that are relatively important to various species of native fish and wildlife (*full descriptions in WDFW PHS report*).
- **Old-growth/Mature forests:** Old-growth east of Cascade crest – Stands are highly variable in tree species composition and structural characteristics due to the influence of fire, climate, and soils. In general, stands will be >150 years of age, with 10 trees/ac (25 trees/ha) that are > 21 in (53 cm) dbh, and 1-3 snags/ac (2.5-7.5 snags/ha) that are > 12-14 in (30-35 cm) diameter. Downed logs may vary from abundant to absent. Canopies may be single or multi-layered. Evidence of human-caused alterations to the stand will be absent or so slight as to not affect the ecosystem's essential structures and functions. Mature forests – Stands with average diameters exceeding 21 in (53 cm) dbh; crown cover may be less than 100%; decay, decadence, numbers of snags, and quantity of large downed material is generally less than that found in old-growth; 80-200 years old west and 80-160 years old east of the Cascade crest.
- **Oregon White Oak:** Woodland stands of pure oak or oak/conifer associations where canopy coverage of the oak component is important (*full descriptions in WDFW PHS report p. 158 – see web link above*).
- X **Riparian:** The area adjacent to aquatic systems with flowing water that contains elements of both aquatic and terrestrial ecosystems which mutually influence each other.
- X **Instream:** The combination of physical, biological, and chemical processes and conditions that interact to provide functional life history requirements for instream fish and wildlife resources.
- **Caves:** A naturally occurring cavity, recess, void, or system of interconnected passages under the earth in soils, rock, ice, or other geological formations and is large enough to contain a human.
- **Cliffs:** Greater than 25 ft (7.6 m) high and occurring below 5000 ft elevation.
- **Talus:** Homogenous areas of rock rubble ranging in average size 0.5 - 6.5 ft (0.15 - 2.0 m), composed of basalt, andesite, and/or sedimentary rock, including riprap slides and mine tailings. May be associated with cliffs.
- **Snags and Logs:** Trees are considered snags if they are dead or dying and exhibit sufficient decay characteristics to enable cavity excavation/use by wildlife. Priority snags have a diameter at breast height of > 12 in (30 cm) in eastern Washington and are > 6.5 ft (2 m) in height. Priority logs are > 12 in (30 cm) in diameter at the largest end, and > 20 ft (6 m) long.
- **Shrub-steppe:** A nonforested vegetation type consisting of one or more layers of perennial bunchgrasses and a conspicuous but discontinuous layer of shrubs (see Eastside Steppe for sites with little or no shrub cover).
- **Eastside Steppe:** Nonforested vegetation type dominated by broadleaf herbaceous flora (i.e., forbs), perennial bunchgrasses, or a combination of both. Bluebunch wheatgrass (*Pseudoroegneria spicata*) is often the prevailing cover component along with Idaho fescue (*Festuca idahoensis*), Sandberg bluegrass (*Poa secunda*), rough fescue (*F. campestris*), or needlegrasses (*Achnatherum* spp.).
- **Juniper Savannah:** All juniper woodlands.

Note: All vegetated wetlands are by definition a priority habitat but are not included in this list because they are addressed elsewhere.



Figure 1. Wetland K Cowardin Classifications

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Legend

Streams

Wetland Boundary

Hydroperiods

Occasionally Flooded or Inundated

Permanently Flooded or Inundated

Saturated Only

K

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Figure 2. Wetland K Hydroperiods
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0 50 100
Feet



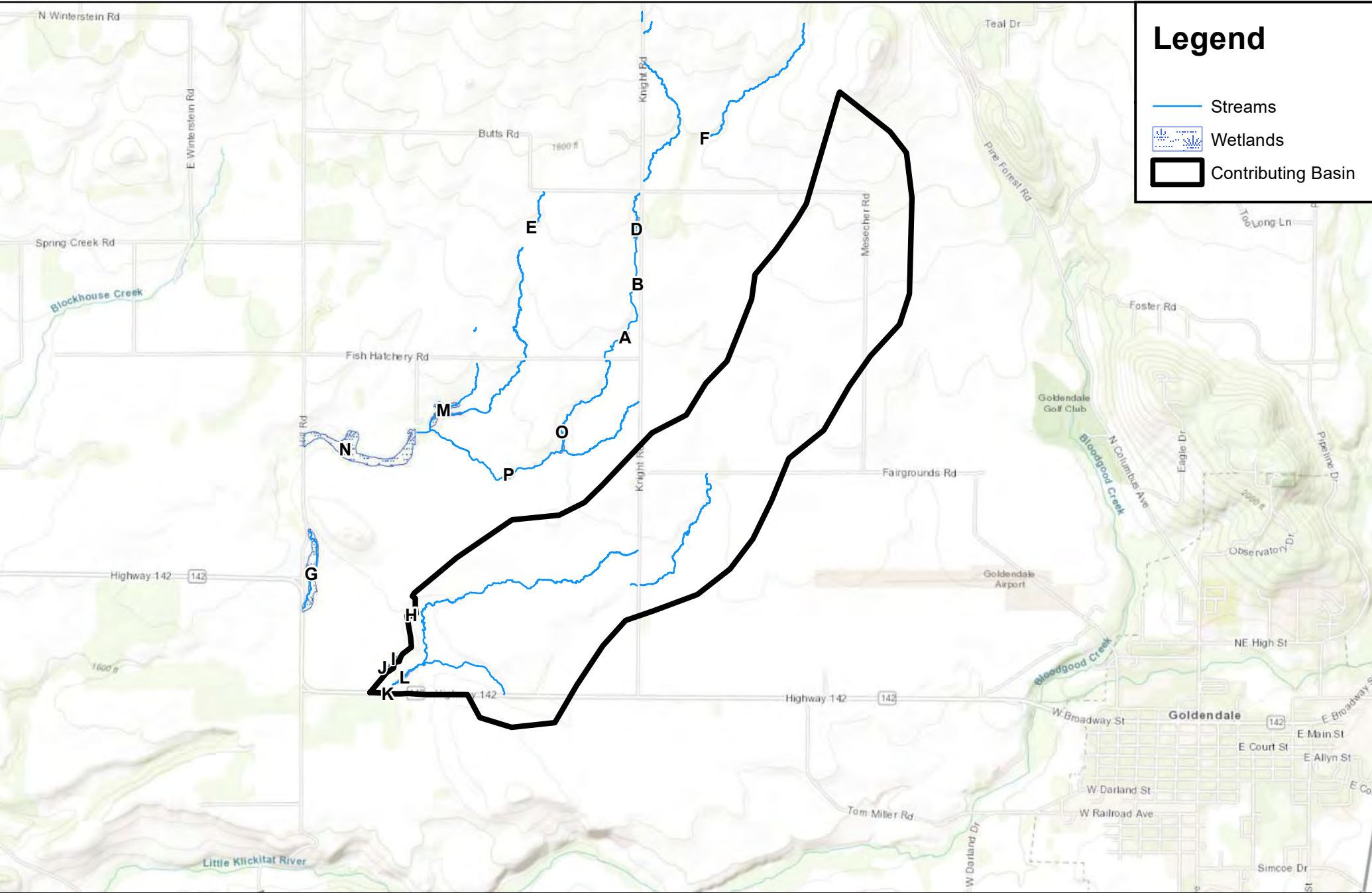
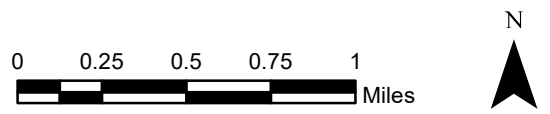


Figure 3. Wetland K Contributing Basin
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Legend

— WDNR Streams

Wetlands

Land Use Intensity

High

Low

Moderate

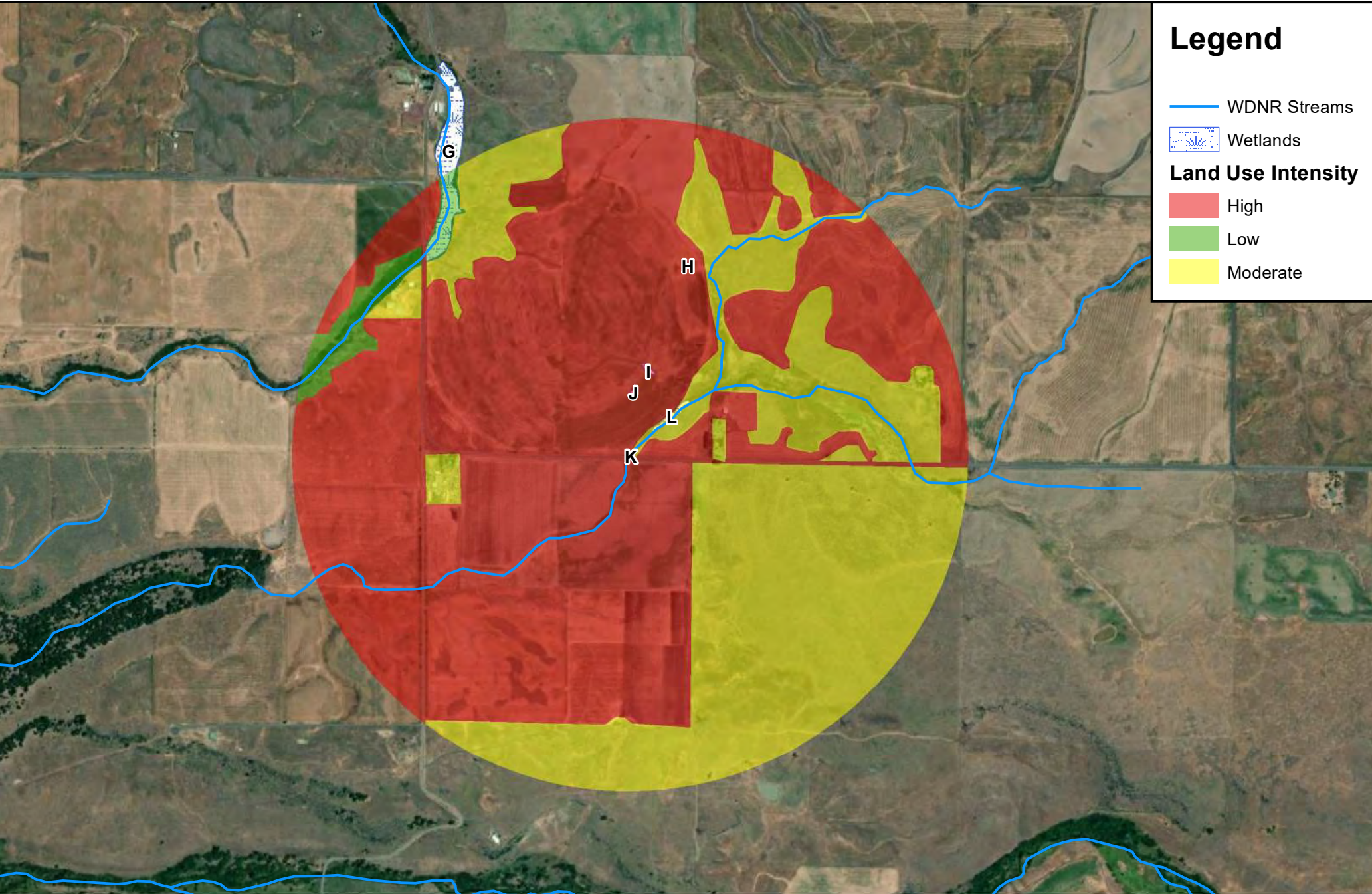
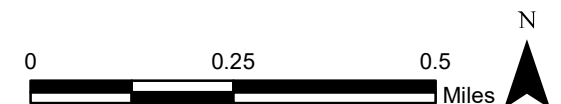


Figure 4. Wetland K Land Use and Habitat Map

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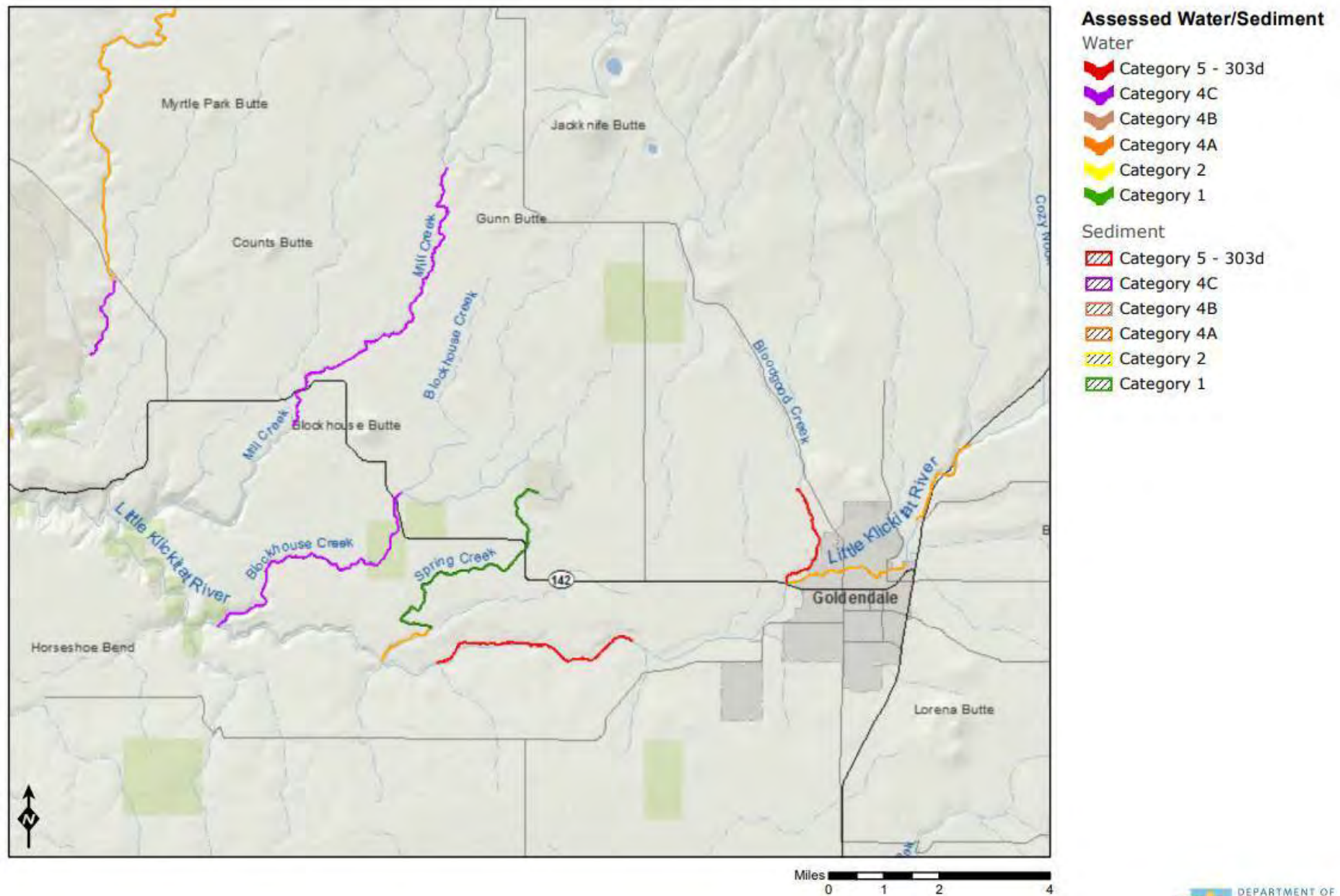


Figure 5. 303(d) Listed Waters in Little Klickitat River Basin (WRIA 30)

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Klickitat County

Ecology homepage > Water & Shorelines > Water improvement > Total Maximum Daily Load process > Directory of projects > Klickitat County

Water quality improvement projects

Select the waterbody or pollutant name to find more information about the specific project.

Waterbody Name(s)	Pollutant(s)	Status	Project Lead(s)
Little Klickitat River	BOD (5-day) Chlorine	EPA approved	Mark Peterschmidt 509-454-7843
Little Klickitat River Watershed	Temperature	EPA approved and Has an implementation plan	Mark Peterschmidt 509-454-7843

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Figure 6. TMDL's in Klickitat County (WRIA 29, 30, 31, and 37)

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Wetland name or number L

RATING SUMMARY – Eastern Washington

Name of wetland (or ID #): L Date of site visit: 7/24/2021

Rated by Brandon Stimac and Bridget Wojtala Trained by Ecology? ☒ Yes ☐ No Date of training Oct. 2020

HGM Class used for rating Riverine Wetland has multiple HGM classes? ☐ Y ☒ N

NOTE: Form is not complete without the figures requested (figures can be combined).

Source of base aerial photo/map ESRI

OVERALL WETLAND CATEGORY Cat. III (based on functions ☒ or special characteristics ☐)

1. Category of wetland based on FUNCTIONS

☐ **Category I** – Total score = 22-27

☐ **Category II** – Total score = 19-21

☒ **Category III** – Total score = 16-18

☐ **Category IV** – Total score = 9-15

FUNCTION	Improving Water Quality	Hydrologic	Habitat	
<i>Circle the appropriate ratings</i>				
Site Potential	H M <input type="radio"/> L	<input type="radio"/> H M L	H <input type="radio"/> M L	
Landscape Potential	H <input type="radio"/> M L	H <input type="radio"/> M L	H M <input type="radio"/> L	
Value	H M <input type="radio"/> L	<input type="radio"/> H M L	H <input type="radio"/> M L	TOTAL
Score Based on Ratings	4	8	5	17

**Score for each
function based
on three
ratings
(order of ratings
is not
important)**

9 = H,H,H
8 = H,H,M
7 = H,H,L
7 = H,M,M
6 = H,M,L
6 = M,M,M
5 = H,L,L
5 = M,M,L
4 = M,L,L
3 = L,L,L

2. Category based on SPECIAL CHARACTERISTICS of wetland

CHARACTERISTIC	CATEGORY <i>Circle the appropriate category</i>
Vernal Pools	II III
Alkali	I
Wetland of High Conservation Value	I
Bog and Calcareous Fens	I
Old Growth or Mature Forest – slow growing	I
Aspen Forest	I
Old Growth or Mature Forest – fast growing	II
Floodplain forest	II
None of the above	X

Wetland name or number L

Maps and figures required to answer questions correctly for Eastern Washington Depressional Wetlands

Map of:	To answer questions:	Figure #
Cowardin plant classes and classes of emergents	D 1.3, H 1.1, H 1.5	
Hydroperiods (including area of open water for H 1.3)	D 1.4, H 1.2, H 1.3	
Location of outlet (<i>can be added to map of hydroperiods</i>)	D 1.1, D 4.1	
Boundary of area within 150 ft of the wetland (<i>can be added to another figure</i>)	D 2.2, D 5.2	
Map of the contributing basin	D 5.3	
1 km Polygon: Area that extends 1 km from entire wetland edge - including polygons for accessible habitat and undisturbed habitat	H 2.1, H 2.2, H 2.3	
Screen capture of map of 303(d) listed waters in basin (from Ecology website)	D 3.1, D 3.2	
Screen capture of list of TMDLs for WRIA in which wetland is found (website)	D 3.3	

Riverine Wetlands

Map of:	To answer questions:	Figure #
Cowardin plant classes and classes of emergents	H 1.1, H 1.5	1
Hydroperiods	H 1.2, H 1.3	2
Ponded depressions	R 1.1	2
Boundary of area within 150 ft of the wetland (<i>can be added to another figure</i>)	R 2.4	1
Map of the contributing basin	R 2.2, R 2.3, R 5.2	1
Plant cover of trees, shrubs, and herbaceous plants	R 1.2, R 4.2	1-2
Width of wetland vs. width of stream (<i>can be added to another figure</i>)	R 4.1	3
1 km Polygon: Area that extends 1 km from entire wetland edge - including polygons for accessible habitat and undisturbed habitat	H 2.1, H 2.2, H 2.3	4
Screen capture of map of 303(d) listed waters in basin (from Ecology website)	R 3.1	5
Screen capture of list of TMDLs for WRIA in which wetland is found (website)	R 3.2, R 3.3	6

Lake Fringe Wetlands

Map of:	To answer questions:	Figure #
Cowardin plant classes and classes of emergents	L 1.1, L 4.1, H 1.1, H 1.5	
Plant cover of trees, shrubs, and herbaceous plants	L 1.2	
Boundary of area within 150 ft of the wetland (<i>can be added to another figure</i>)	L 2.2	
1 km Polygon: Area that extends 1 km from entire wetland edge - including polygons for accessible habitat and undisturbed habitat	H 2.1, H 2.2, H 2.3	
Screen capture of map of 303(d) listed waters in basin (from Ecology website)	L 3.1, L 3.2	
Screen capture of list of TMDLs for WRIA in which wetland is found (website)	L 3.3	

Slope Wetlands

Map of:	To answer questions:	Figure #
Cowardin plant classes and classes of emergents	H 1.1, H 1.5	
Hydroperiods	H 1.2, H 1.3	
Plant cover of dense trees, shrubs, and herbaceous plants	S 1.3	
Plant cover of dense, rigid trees, shrubs, and herbaceous plants (<i>can be added to figure above</i>)	S 4.1	
Boundary of area within 150 ft of the wetland (<i>can be added to another figure</i>)	S 2.1, S 5.1	
1 km Polygon: Area that extends 1 km from entire wetland edge - including polygons for accessible habitat and undisturbed habitat	H 2.1, H 2.2, H 2.3	
Screen capture of map of 303(d) listed waters in basin (from Ecology website)	S 3.1, S 3.2	
Screen capture of list of TMDLs for WRIA in which wetland is found (website)	S 3.3	

HGM Classification of Wetland in Eastern Washington

For questions 1-4, the criteria described must apply to the entire unit being rated.

If the hydrologic criteria listed in each question do not apply to the entire unit being rated, you probably have a unit with multiple HGM classes. In this case, identify which hydrologic criteria in questions 1-4 apply, and go to Question 5.

1. Does the entire unit **meet both** of the following criteria?

☐ The vegetated part of the wetland is on the water side of the Ordinary High Water Mark of a body of permanent open water (without any plants on the surface) that is at least 20 ac (8 ha) in size
☐ At least 30% of the open water area is deeper than 10 ft (3 m)

NO - go to 2

YES - The wetland class is **Lake Fringe** (Lacustrine Fringe)

2. Does the entire wetland unit **meet all** of the following criteria?

☐ The wetland is on a slope (*slope can be very gradual*),
☐ The water flows through the wetland in one direction (unidirectional) and usually comes from seeps. It may flow subsurface, as sheetflow, or in a swale without distinct banks;
☐ The water leaves the wetland **without being impounded**.

NO - go to 3

YES - The wetland class is **Slope**

NOTE: Surface water does not pond in these type of wetlands except occasionally in very small and shallow depressions or behind hummocks (depressions are usually <3 ft diameter and less than 1 foot deep).

3. Does the entire wetland unit **meet all** of the following criteria?

☒ The unit is in a valley, or stream channel, where it gets inundated by overbank flooding from that stream or river;
☒ The overbank flooding occurs at least once every 10 years.

NO - go to 4

YES - The wetland class is **Riverine**

NOTE: The Riverine wetland can contain depressions that are filled with water when the river is not flooding.

4. Is the entire wetland unit in a topographic depression in which water ponds, or is saturated to the surface, at some time during the year. *This means that any outlet, if present, is higher than the interior of the wetland.*

NO - go to 5

YES - The wetland class is **Depressional**

5. Your wetland unit seems to be difficult to classify and probably contains several different HGM classes. For example, seeps at the base of a slope may grade into a riverine floodplain, or a small stream within a Depressional wetland has a zone of flooding along its sides. **GO BACK AND IDENTIFY WHICH OF THE HYDROLOGIC REGIMES DESCRIBED IN QUESTIONS 1-4 APPLY TO DIFFERENT AREAS IN THE WETLAND UNIT** (make a rough sketch to help you decide). Use the following table to identify the appropriate class to use for the rating system if you have several HGM classes present within the wetland unit being scored.

Wetland name or number L

NOTE: Use this table only if the class that is recommended in the second column represents 10% or more of the total area of the wetland unit being rated. If the area of the HGM class listed in column 2 is less than 10% of the wetland unit; classify the wetland using the class that represents more than 90% of the total area.

HGM classes within the wetland unit being rated	HGM Class to use in rating
Slope + Riverine	Riverine
Slope + Depressional	Depressional
Slope + Lake Fringe	Lake Fringe
Depressional + Riverine (the riverine portion is within the boundary of depression)	Depressional
Depressional + Lake Fringe	Depressional
Riverine + Lake Fringe	Riverine

*If you are still unable to determine which of the above criteria apply to your wetland, or if you have **more than 2 HGM classes** within a wetland boundary, classify the wetland as Depressional for the rating.*

Wetland name or number L

RIVERINE WETLANDS		Points (only 1 score per box)
Water Quality Functions - Indicators that the site functions to improve water quality		
R 1.0. Does the site have the potential to improve water quality?		
R 1.1. Area of surface depressions within the Riverine wetland that can trap sediments during a flooding event: Depressions cover $> \frac{1}{3}$ area of wetland points = 6 Depressions cover $> \frac{1}{10}$ area of wetland points = 3 Depressions present but cover $< \frac{1}{10}$ area of wetland points = 1 <u>No depressions present</u> points = 0		0
R 1.2. Structure of plants in the wetland (areas with $>90\%$ cover at person height; not Cowardin classes): Forest or shrub $> \frac{2}{3}$ the area of the wetland points = 10 Forest or shrub $\frac{1}{3} - \frac{2}{3}$ area of the wetland points = 5 <u>Ungrazed, herbaceous plants $> \frac{2}{3}$ area of wetland</u> points = 5 <u>Ungrazed herbaceous plants $\frac{1}{3} - \frac{2}{3}$ area of wetland</u> points = 2 Forest, shrub, and ungrazed herbaceous $< \frac{1}{3}$ area of wetland points = 0		2
Total for R 1	Add the points in the boxes above	2

Rating of Site Potential If score is: 12-16 = H 6-11 = M X 0-5 = L

Record the rating on the first page

R 2.0. Does the landscape have the potential to support the water quality function of the site?		
R 2.1. Is the wetland within an incorporated city or within its UGA? Yes = 2 <u>No = 0</u>		0
R 2.2. Does the contributing basin include a UGA or incorporated area? Yes = 1 <u>No = 0</u>		0
R 2.3. Does at least 10% of the contributing basin contain tilled fields, pastures, or forests that have been clearcut within the last 5 years? <u>Yes = 1</u> No = 0		1
R 2.4. Is $> 10\%$ of the area within 150 ft of wetland in land uses that generate pollutants <u>Yes = 1</u> No = 0		1
R 2.5. Are there other sources of pollutants coming into the wetland that are not listed in questions R 2.1-R 2.4? Source _____ Yes = 1 <u>No = 0</u>		0
Total for R 2	Add the points in the boxes above	2

Rating of Landscape Potential If score is: 3-6 = H X 1 or 2 = M 0 = L

Record the rating on the first page

R 3.0. Is the water quality improvement provided by the site valuable to society?		
R 3.1. Is the wetland along a stream or river that is on the 303(d) list or on a tributary that drains to one within 1 mi? Yes = 1 <u>No = 0</u>		0
R 3.2. Does the river or stream have TMDL limits for nutrients, toxics, or pathogens? Yes = 1 <u>No = 0</u>		0
R 3.3. Has the site been identified in a watershed or local plan as important for maintaining water quality? <i>Answer YES if there is a TMDL for the drainage in which wetland is found.</i> Yes = 2 <u>No = 0</u>		0
Total for R 3	Add the points in the boxes above	0

Rating of Value If score is: 2-4 = H 1 = M X 0 = L

Record the rating on the first page

Wetland name or number L

RIVERINE WETLANDS

Points
(only 1 score
per box)

Hydrologic Functions - Indicators that site functions to reduce flooding and stream erosion

R 4.0. Does the site have the potential to reduce flooding and erosion?

R 4.1. Characteristics of the overbank storage the wetland provides:

Estimate the average width of the wetland perpendicular to the direction of the flow and the width of the stream or river channel (distance between banks). Calculate the ratio: (average width of wetland)/(average width of stream between banks).

If the ratio is more than 2

points = 10

If the ratio is 1-2

points = 8

If the ratio is ½-<1

points = 4

If the ratio is ¼-< ½

points = 2

If the ratio is < ¼

points = 1

10

R 4.2. Characteristics of plants that slow down water velocities during floods: *Treat large woody debris as forest or shrub. Choose the points appropriate for the best description (polygons need to have > 90% cover at person height. These are NOT Cowardin classes).*

Forest or shrub for more than $\frac{2}{3}$ the area of the wetland

points = 6

Forest or shrub for $>\frac{1}{3}$ area OR emergent plants $>\frac{2}{3}$ area

points = 4

Forest or shrub for $>\frac{1}{10}$ area OR emergent plants $>\frac{1}{3}$ area

points = 2

Plants do not meet above criteria

points = 0

4

Total for R 5

Add the points in the boxes above

14

Rating of Site Potential If score is: X 12-16 = H 6-11 = M 0-5 = L

Record the rating on the first page

R 5.0. Does the landscape have the potential to support the hydrologic functions of the site?

R 5.1. Is the stream or river adjacent to the wetland downcut?

Yes = 0 No = 1

1

R 5.2. Does the up-gradient watershed include a UGA or incorporated area?

Yes = 1 No = 0

0

R 5.3. Is the up-gradient stream or river controlled by dams?

Yes = 0 No = 1

1

Total for R 5

Add the points in the boxes above

2

Rating of Landscape Potential If score is: 3 = H X 1 or 2 = M 0 = L

Record the rating on the first page

R 6.0. Are the hydrologic functions provided by the site valuable to society?

R 6.1. Distance to the nearest areas downstream that have flooding problems? *Choose the description that best fits the site.*

The sub-basin immediately down-gradient of site has surface flooding problems that result in damage to human or natural resources

points = 2

Surface flooding problems are in a basin farther down-gradient

points = 1

No flooding problems anywhere downstream

points = 0

2

R 6.2. Has the site been identified as important for flood storage or flood conveyance in a regional flood control plan?

Yes = 2 No = 0

0


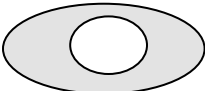
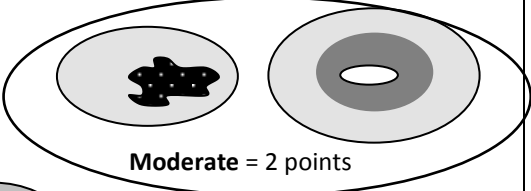
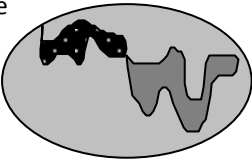
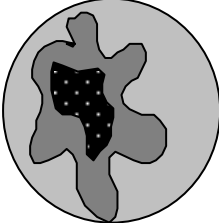
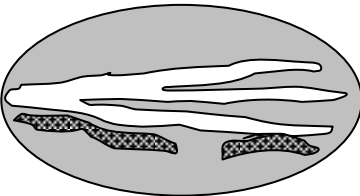
Total for R 6

Add the points in the boxes above

2

Rating of Value If score is: X 2-4 = H 1 = M 0 = L

Record the rating on the first page

These questions apply to wetlands of all HGM classes.		(only 1 score per box)
HABITAT FUNCTIONS - Indicators that site functions to provide important habitat		
H 1.0. Does the wetland have the potential to provide habitat for many species?		
H 1.1. Structure of the plant community: <i>Check the Cowardin vegetation classes present and categories of emergent plants. Size threshold for each category is $\geq \frac{1}{4}$ ac or $\geq 10\%$ of the wetland if wetland is < 2.5 ac.</i> <input type="checkbox"/> Aquatic bed <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Emergent plants 0-12 in (0-30 cm) high are the highest layer and have $> 30\%$ cover <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Emergent plants >12-40 in (>30-100 cm) high are the highest layer with $>30\%$ cover <input type="checkbox"/> Emergent plants > 40 in (> 100 cm) high are the highest layer with $>30\%$ cover <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Scrub-shrub (areas where shrubs have $>30\%$ cover) <input type="checkbox"/> Forested (areas where trees have $>30\%$ cover)		2 4 or more checks: points = 3 3 checks: points = 2 2 checks: points = 1 1 check: points = 0
H 1.2. Is one of the vegetation types Aquatic Bed?		Yes = 1 No = 0 0
H 1.3. <u>Surface water</u> H 1.3.1. Does the wetland have areas of open water (without emergent or shrub plants) over at least $\frac{1}{4}$ ac OR 10% of its area during the March to early June OR in August to the end of September? Answer YES for Lake Fringe wetlands. Yes = 3 points & go to H 1.4 No = go to H 1.3.2 H 1.3.2. Does the wetland have an intermittent or permanent, and unvegetated stream within its boundaries, or along one side, over at least $\frac{1}{4}$ ac or 10% of its area? Answer yes only if H 1.3.1 is No. Yes = 3 No = 0		3
H 1.4. <u>Richness of plant species</u> Count the number of plant species in the wetland that cover at least 10 ft^2 . <i>Different patches of the same species can be combined to meet the size threshold. You do not have to name the species. Do not include Eurasian milfoil, reed canarygrass, purple loosestrife, Russian olive, Phragmites, Canadian thistle, yellow-flag iris, and saltcedar (Tamarisk)</i> # of species <u>8</u>		1 Scoring: > 9 species: points = 2 4-9 species: points = 1 < 4 species: points = 0
H 1.5. <u>Interspersion of habitats</u> Decide from the diagrams below whether interspersion among types of plant structures (described in H 1.1), and unvegetated areas (open water or mudflats) is high, moderate, low, or none. Use map of Cowardin and emergent plant classes prepared for questions H 1.1 and map of open water from H 1.3. If you have four or more plant classes or three classes and open water, the rating is always high.		Figure 1
<div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-around; align-items: flex-end;"> <div style="text-align: center;">  <p>None = 0 points</p> </div> <div style="text-align: center;">  <p>Low = 1 point</p> </div> <div style="text-align: center;">  <p>Moderate = 2 points</p> </div> </div> <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-around; align-items: flex-end; margin-top: 20px;"> <div style="text-align: center;">  </div> <div style="text-align: center;">  </div> <div style="text-align: center;">  <p>Riparian braided channels with 2 classes</p> </div> </div> <p>All three diagrams in this row are High = 3 points</p>		2

Wetland name or number L

H 1.6. Special habitat features <i>Check the habitat features that are present in the wetland. The number of checks is the number of points.</i> <input type="checkbox"/> Loose rocks larger than 4 in OR large, downed, woody debris (> 4 in diameter) within the area of surface ponding or in stream. <input type="checkbox"/> Cattails or bulrushes are present within the wetland. <input type="checkbox"/> Standing snags (diameter at the bottom > 4 in) in the wetland or within 30 m (100 ft) of the edge. <input type="checkbox"/> Emergent or shrub vegetation in areas that are permanently inundated/ponded. <input type="checkbox"/> Stable steep banks of fine material that might be used by beaver or muskrat for denning (> 45 degree slope) OR signs of recent beaver activity <input type="checkbox"/> Invasive species cover less than 20% in each stratum of vegetation (<i>canopy, sub-canopy, shrubs, herbaceous, moss/ground cover</i>)		0
Total for H 1	Add the points in the boxes above	8

Rating of Site Potential If score is: 15-18 = H X 7-14 = M 0-6 = L *Record the rating on the first page*

H 2.0. Does the landscape have the potential to support habitat functions of the site?		
H 2.1. Accessible habitat (only area of habitat abutting wetland). If total accessible habitat is: <i>Calculate:</i> % undisturbed habitat <u> 0 </u> + [(% moderate and low intensity land uses)/2] <u> 4.7 </u> = <u> 4.7 </u> % > 1/3 (33.3%) of 1 km Polygon points = 3 20-33% of 1km Polygon points = 2 10-19% of 1km Polygon points = 1 <u><10% of 1km Polygon</u> points = 0		0
H 2.2. Undisturbed habitat in 1 km Polygon around wetland. <i>Calculate:</i> % undisturbed habitat <u> 0 </u> + [(% moderate and low intensity land uses)/2] <u> 18.6 </u> = <u> 18.6 </u> % Undisturbed habitat > 50% of Polygon points = 3 Undisturbed habitat 10 - 50% and in 1-3 patches points = 2 <u>Undisturbed habitat 10 - 50% and > 3 patches</u> points = 1 Undisturbed habitat < 10% of Polygon points = 0		1
H 2.3. Land use intensity in 1 km Polygon: <u>> 50% of Polygon is high intensity land use</u> points = (- 2) Does not meet criterion above points = 0		-2
H 2.4. The wetland is in an area where annual rainfall is less than 12 in, and its water regime is not influenced by irrigation practices, dams, or water control structures. Generally, this means outside boundaries of reclamation areas, irrigation districts, or reservoirs Hatchery is upstream Yes = 3 <u>No = 0</u>		0
Total for H 2	Add the points in the boxes above	-1

Rating of Landscape Potential If score is: 4-9 = H 1-3 = M X < 1 = L *Record the rating on the first page*

H 3.0. Is the habitat provided by the site valuable to society?		
H 3.1. Does the site provide habitat for species valued in laws, regulations, or policies? Choose the highest score that applies to the wetland being rated Site meets ANY of the following criteria: points = 2 — It has 3 or more priority habitats within 100 m (see Appendix B) — It provides habitat for Threatened or Endangered species (any plant or animal on state or federal lists) — It is mapped as a location for an individual WDFW species — It is a Wetland of High Conservation Value as determined by the Department of Natural Resources — It has been categorized as an important habitat site in a local or regional comprehensive plan, in a Shoreline Master Plan, or in a watershed plan <u>Site has 1 or 2 priority habitats within 100 m (see Appendix B)</u> points = 1 Site does not meet any of the criteria above points = 0		1

Rating of Value If score is: 2 = H X 1 = M 0 = L *Record the rating on the first page*

CATEGORIZATION BASED ON SPECIAL CHARACTERISTICS

Please determine if the wetland meets the attributes described below and circle the appropriate category. NOTE: A wetland may meet the criteria for more than one set of special characteristics. Record all those that apply. NOTE: All wetlands should also be characterized based on their functions.

Wetland Type	Category
<i>Check off any criteria that apply to the wetland. Circle the category when the appropriate criteria are met.</i>	
SC 1.0. Vernal pools Is the wetland less than 4000 ft² , and does it meet at least two of the following criteria? — Its only source of water is rainfall or snowmelt from a small contributing basin and has no groundwater input. — Wetland plants are typically present only in the spring; the summer vegetation is typically upland annuals. <i>If you find perennial, obligate, wetland plants, the wetland is probably NOT a vernal pool.</i> — The soil in the wetland is shallow [< 1 ft (30 cm) deep] and is underlain by an impermeable layer such as basalt or clay. — Surface water is present for less than 120 days during the wet season. <div style="text-align: right;">Yes – Go to SC 1.1 No = Not a vernal pool</div>	
SC 1.1. Is the vernal pool relatively undisturbed in February and March? <div style="text-align: right;">Yes – Go to SC 1.2 No = Not a vernal pool with special characteristics</div>	
SC 1.2. Is the vernal pool in an area where there are at least 3 separate aquatic resources within 0.5 mi (other wetlands, rivers, lakes etc.)? <div style="text-align: right;">Yes = Category II No = Category III</div>	Cat. II Cat. III
SC 2.0. Alkali wetlands Does the wetland meet one of the following criteria? — The wetland has a conductivity > 3.0 mS/cm. — The wetland has a conductivity between 2.0 and 3.0 mS, and more than 50% of the plant cover in the wetland can be classified as “alkali” species (see Table 4 for list of plants found in alkali systems). — If the wetland is dry at the time of your field visit, the central part of the area is covered with a layer of salt. OR does the wetland unit meet two of the following three sub-criteria? — Salt encrustations around more than 75% of the edge of the wetland — More than $\frac{3}{4}$ of the plant cover consists of species listed on Table 4 — A pH above 9.0. All alkali wetlands have a high pH, but please note that some freshwater wetlands may also have a high pH. Thus, pH alone is not a good indicator of alkali wetlands. <div style="text-align: right;">Yes = Category I No = Not an alkali wetland</div>	Cat. I
SC 3.0. Wetlands of High Conservation Value (WHCV) SC 3.1. Has the WA Department of Natural Resources updated their website to include the list of Wetlands of High Conservation Value? <div style="text-align: right;">Yes – Go to SC 3.2 No – Go to SC 3.3</div> SC 3.2. Is the wetland listed on the WDNR database as a Wetland of High Conservation Value? <div style="text-align: right;">Yes = Category I No = Not a WHCV</div> SC 3.3. Is the wetland in a Section/Township/Range that contains a Natural Heritage wetland? http://www1.dnr.wa.gov/nhp/refdesk/datasearch/wnhpwetlands.pdf <div style="text-align: right;">Yes – Contact WNHP/WDNR and go to SC 3.4 No = Not a WHCV</div> SC 3.4. Has WDNR identified the wetland within the S/T/R as a Wetland of High Conservation Value and it is listed on their website? <div style="text-align: right;">Yes = Category I No = Not a WHCV</div>	Cat. I

SC 4.0 Bogs and Calcareous Fens

Does the wetland (or any part of the wetland unit) meet both the criteria for soils and vegetation in bogs or calcareous fens? *Use the key below to identify if the wetland is a bog or calcareous fen. If you answer yes you will still need to rate the wetland based on its functions.*

SC 4.1. Does an area within the wetland have organic soil horizons (i.e., layers of organic soil), either peats or mucks, that compose 16 in or more of the first 32 in of the soil profile? *See Appendix C for a field key to identify organic soils.*

Yes – Go to **SC 4.3** No – Go to **SC 4.2**

SC 4.2. Does an area within the wetland have organic soils, either peats or mucks, that are less than 16 in deep over bedrock or an impermeable hardpan such as clay or volcanic ash, or that are floating on top of a lake or pond? Yes – Go to SC 4.3 No = Is not a bog for rating

SC 4.3. Does an area within the wetland have more than 70% cover of mosses at ground level AND at least 30% of the total plant cover consists of species in Table 5? Yes = **Category 1 bog** No – Go to **SC 4.4**

NOTE: If you are uncertain about the extent of mosses in the understory, you may substitute that criterion by measuring the pH of the water that seeps into a hole dug at least 16 in deep. If the pH is less than 5.0 and the plant species in Table 5 are present, the wetland is a bog.

SC 4.4. Is an area with peats or mucks forested (> 30% cover) with subalpine fir, western red cedar, western hemlock, lodgepole pine, quaking aspen, Engelmann spruce, or western white pine, AND any of the species (or combination of species) listed in Table 5 provide more than 30% of the cover under the canopy? _____

Yes = **Category I** **log** No – Go to **SC 4.5**

SC 4.5. Do the species listed in Table 6 comprise at least 20% of the total plant cover within an area of peats and mucks? Yes = **Is a Calcareous Fen for purpose of rating** No – Go to SC 4.6

SC 4.6. Do the species listed in Table 6 comprise at least 10% of the total plant cover in an area of peats and mucks, AND one of the two following conditions is met:

- Marl deposits [calcium carbonate (CaCO_3) precipitate] occur on the soil surface or plant stems
 - The pH of free water is ≥ 6.8 AND electrical conductivity is $\geq 200 \text{ uS/cm}$ at multiple locations within the wetland
- Yes = Is a Category I calcareous fen No = Is not a calcareous fen

SC 5.0. Forested Wetlands

Does the wetland have an area of forest rooted within its boundary that meets **at least one** of the following three criteria? (*Continue only if you have identified that a forested class is present in question H 1.1*)

- The wetland is within the 100 year floodplain of a river or stream
- Aspen (*Populus tremuloides*) represents at least 20% of the total cover of woody species
- There is at least ¼ ac of trees (even in wetlands smaller than 2.5 ac) that are “mature” or “old-growth” according to the definitions for these priority habitats developed by WDFW (see definitions in question H3.1)

Yes – Go to SC 5.1 **No = Not a forested wetland with special characteristics**

SC 5.1. Does the wetland have a forest canopy where more than 50% of the tree species (by cover) are slow growing native trees (*see Table 7*)? Yes = **Category I** No – Go to **SC 5.2**

SC 5.2. Does the wetland have areas where aspen (*Populus tremuloides*) represents at least 20% of the total cover of woody species? Yes = **Category 1** No – Go to **SC 5.3**

SC 5.3. Does the wetland have at least ¼ acre with a forest canopy where more than 50% of the tree species (by cover) are fast growing species (see Table 7)?

Yes = **Category II** No – Go to **SC 5.4**

SC 5.4. Is the forested component of the wetland within the 100 year floodplain of a river or stream?

Yes = **Category II** No = **Not a forested wetland with special characteristics**

Category of wetland based on Special Characteristics

Choose the highest rating if wetland falls into several categories

If you answered No for all types, enter "Not Applicable" on Summary Form

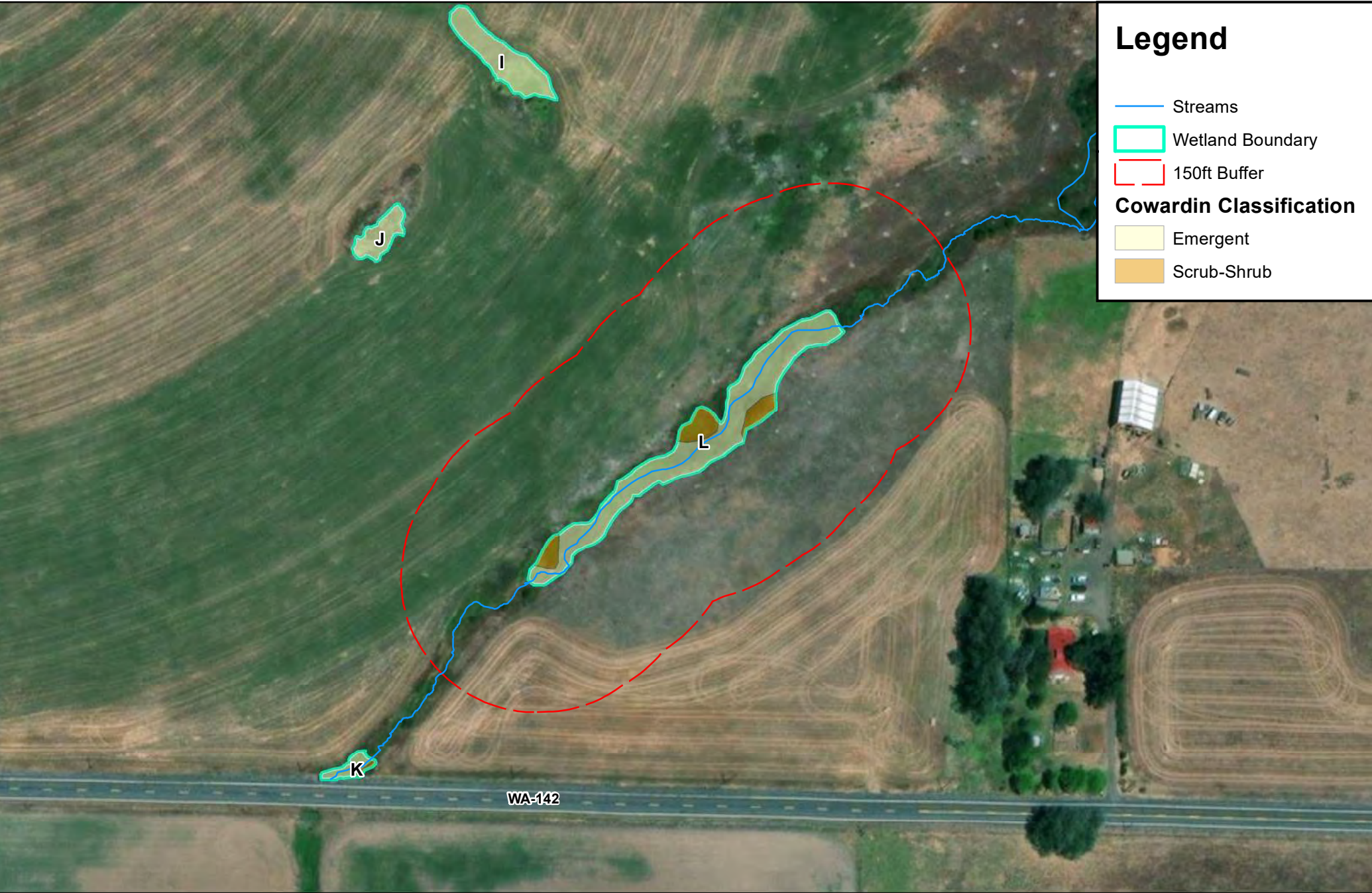
Appendix B: WDFW Priority Habitats in Eastern Washington

Priority habitats listed by WDFW (see complete descriptions of WDFW priority habitats, and the counties in which they can be found, in: Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife. 2008. Priority Habitat and Species List. Olympia, Washington. 177 pp. <http://wdfw.wa.gov/publications/00165/wdfw00165.pdf> or access the list from here: <http://wdfw.wa.gov/conservation/phs/list/>)

Count how many of the following priority habitats are within 330 ft (100 m) of the wetland: **NOTE:** *This question is independent of the land use between the wetland and the priority habitat.*

- **Aspen Stands:** Pure or mixed stands of aspen greater than 1 ac (0.4 ha).
- **Biodiversity Areas and Corridors:** Areas of habitat that are relatively important to various species of native fish and wildlife (*full descriptions in WDFW PHS report*).
- **Old-growth/Mature forests:** Old-growth east of Cascade crest – Stands are highly variable in tree species composition and structural characteristics due to the influence of fire, climate, and soils. In general, stands will be >150 years of age, with 10 trees/ac (25 trees/ha) that are > 21 in (53 cm) dbh, and 1-3 snags/ac (2.5-7.5 snags/ha) that are > 12-14 in (30-35 cm) diameter. Downed logs may vary from abundant to absent. Canopies may be single or multi-layered. Evidence of human-caused alterations to the stand will be absent or so slight as to not affect the ecosystem's essential structures and functions. Mature forests – Stands with average diameters exceeding 21 in (53 cm) dbh; crown cover may be less than 100%; decay, decadence, numbers of snags, and quantity of large downed material is generally less than that found in old-growth; 80-200 years old west and 80-160 years old east of the Cascade crest.
- **Oregon White Oak:** Woodland stands of pure oak or oak/conifer associations where canopy coverage of the oak component is important (*full descriptions in WDFW PHS report p. 158 – see web link above*).
- X **Riparian:** The area adjacent to aquatic systems with flowing water that contains elements of both aquatic and terrestrial ecosystems which mutually influence each other.
- X **Instream:** The combination of physical, biological, and chemical processes and conditions that interact to provide functional life history requirements for instream fish and wildlife resources.
- **Caves:** A naturally occurring cavity, recess, void, or system of interconnected passages under the earth in soils, rock, ice, or other geological formations and is large enough to contain a human.
- **Cliffs:** Greater than 25 ft (7.6 m) high and occurring below 5000 ft elevation.
- **Talus:** Homogenous areas of rock rubble ranging in average size 0.5 - 6.5 ft (0.15 - 2.0 m), composed of basalt, andesite, and/or sedimentary rock, including riprap slides and mine tailings. May be associated with cliffs.
- **Snags and Logs:** Trees are considered snags if they are dead or dying and exhibit sufficient decay characteristics to enable cavity excavation/use by wildlife. Priority snags have a diameter at breast height of > 12 in (30 cm) in eastern Washington and are > 6.5 ft (2 m) in height. Priority logs are > 12 in (30 cm) in diameter at the largest end, and > 20 ft (6 m) long.
- **Shrub-steppe:** A nonforested vegetation type consisting of one or more layers of perennial bunchgrasses and a conspicuous but discontinuous layer of shrubs (see Eastside Steppe for sites with little or no shrub cover).
- **Eastside Steppe:** Nonforested vegetation type dominated by broadleaf herbaceous flora (i.e., forbs), perennial bunchgrasses, or a combination of both. Bluebunch wheatgrass (*Pseudoroegneria spicata*) is often the prevailing cover component along with Idaho fescue (*Festuca idahoensis*), Sandberg bluegrass (*Poa secunda*), rough fescue (*F. campestris*), or needlegrasses (*Achnatherum* spp.).
- **Juniper Savannah:** All juniper woodlands.

Note: All vegetated wetlands are by definition a priority habitat but are not included in this list because they are addressed elsewhere.



Legend

— Streams

Wetland Boundary

150ft Buffer

Cowardin Classification

Emergent

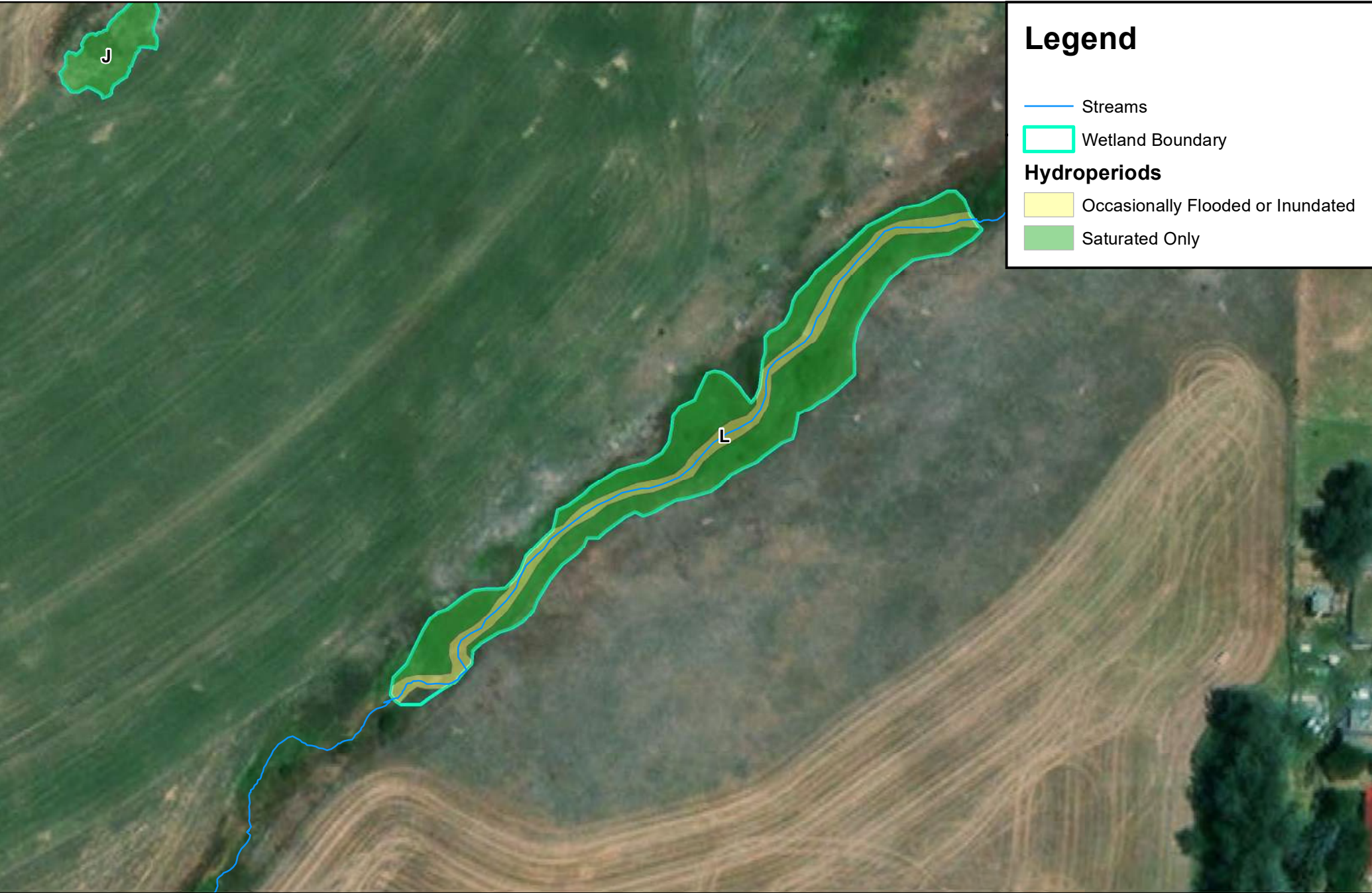
Scrub-Shrub

Figure 1. Wetland L Cowardin Classifications
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0 50 100 Feet

N



Legend

- Streams
- Wetland Boundary
- Hydroperiods**
 - Occasionally Flooded or Inundated
 - Saturated Only

Figure 2. Wetland L Hydroperiods
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- Streams
- Wetlands
- Contributing Basin

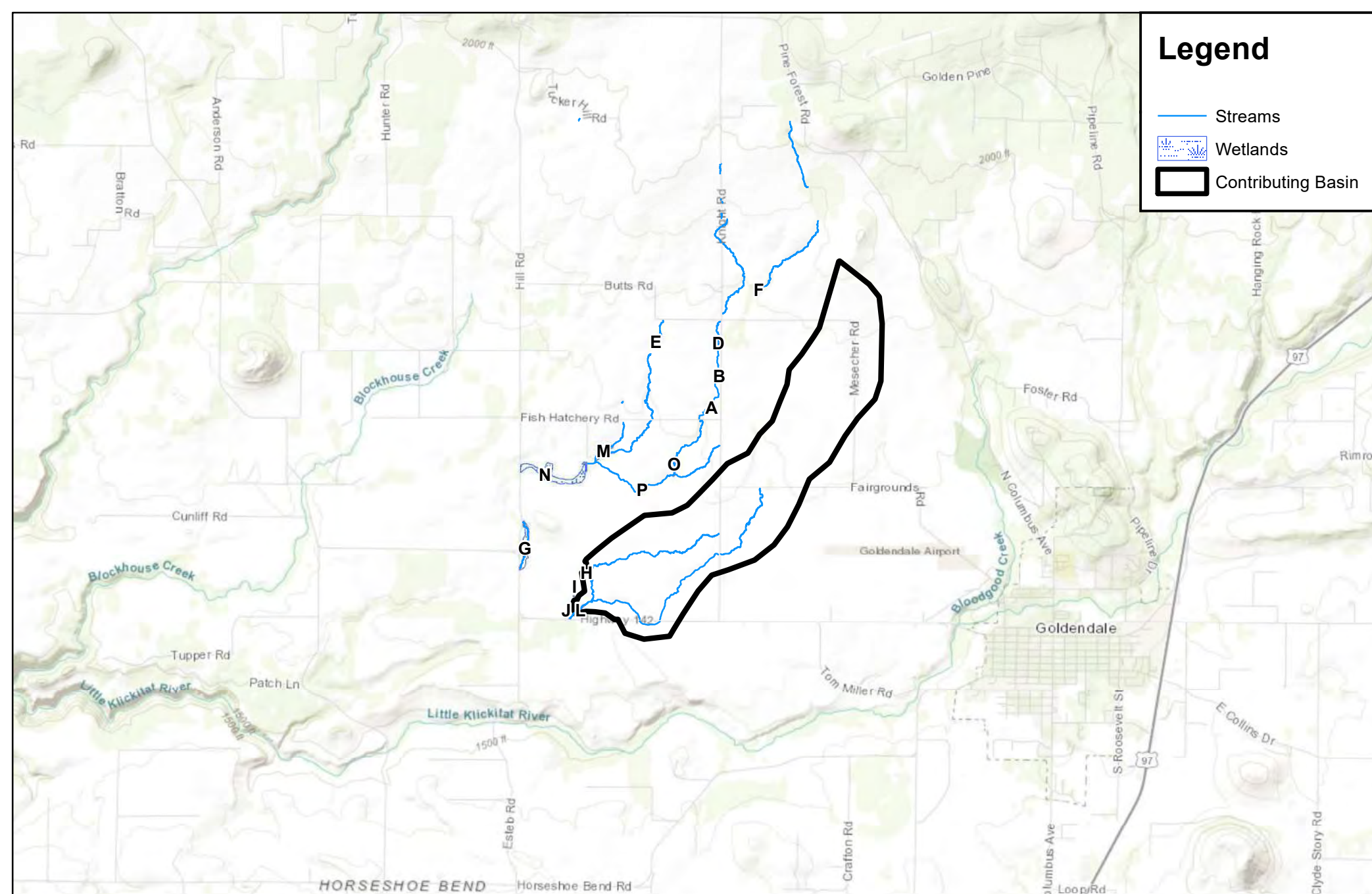
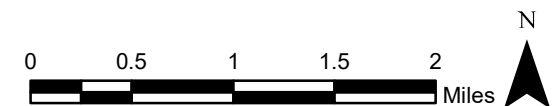


Figure 3. Wetland L Contributing Basin

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— WDNR Streams

Wetlands

Land Use Intensity

High

Low

Moderate

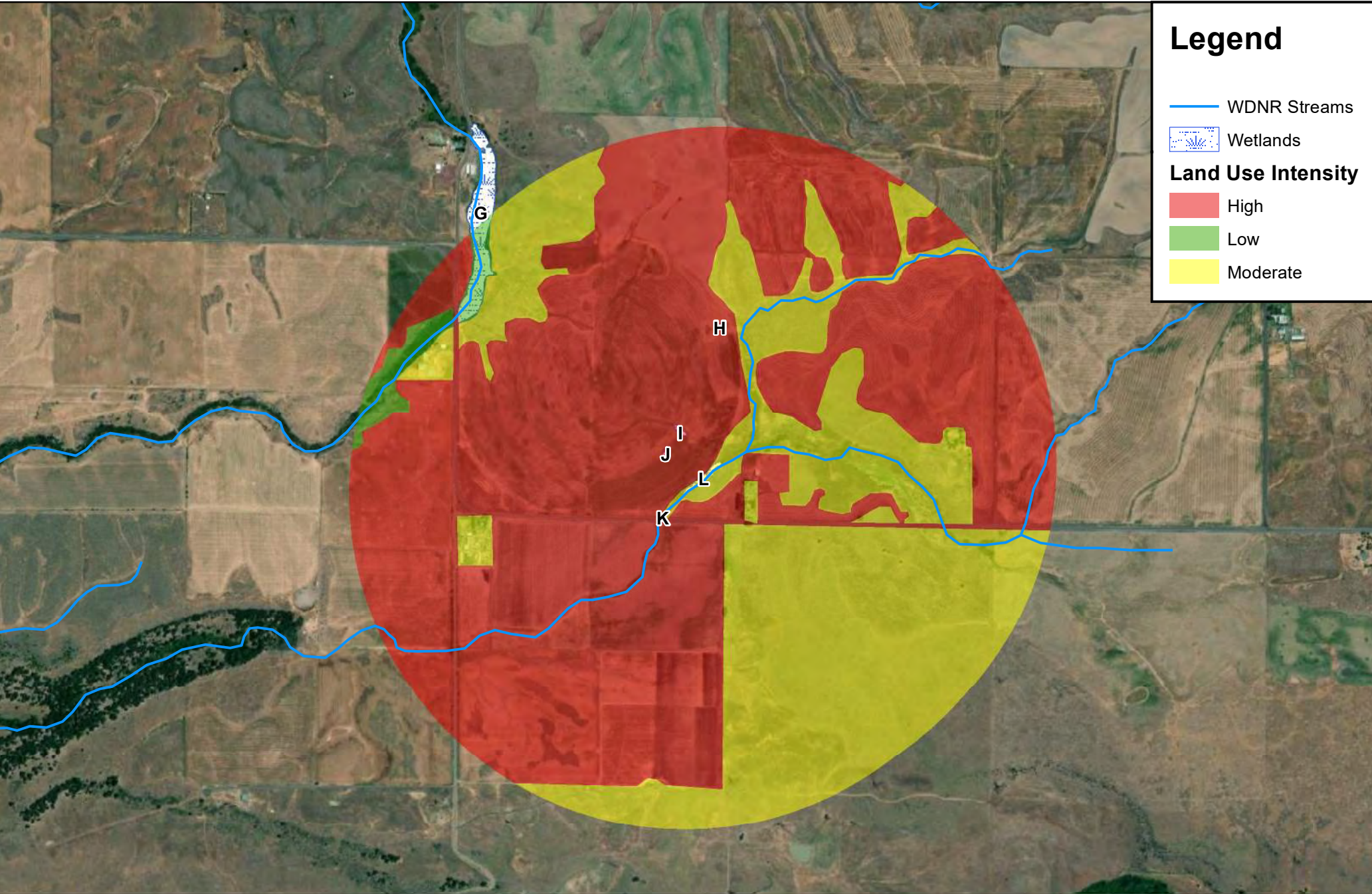
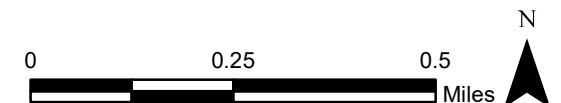


Figure 4. Wetland L Land Use and Habitat Map

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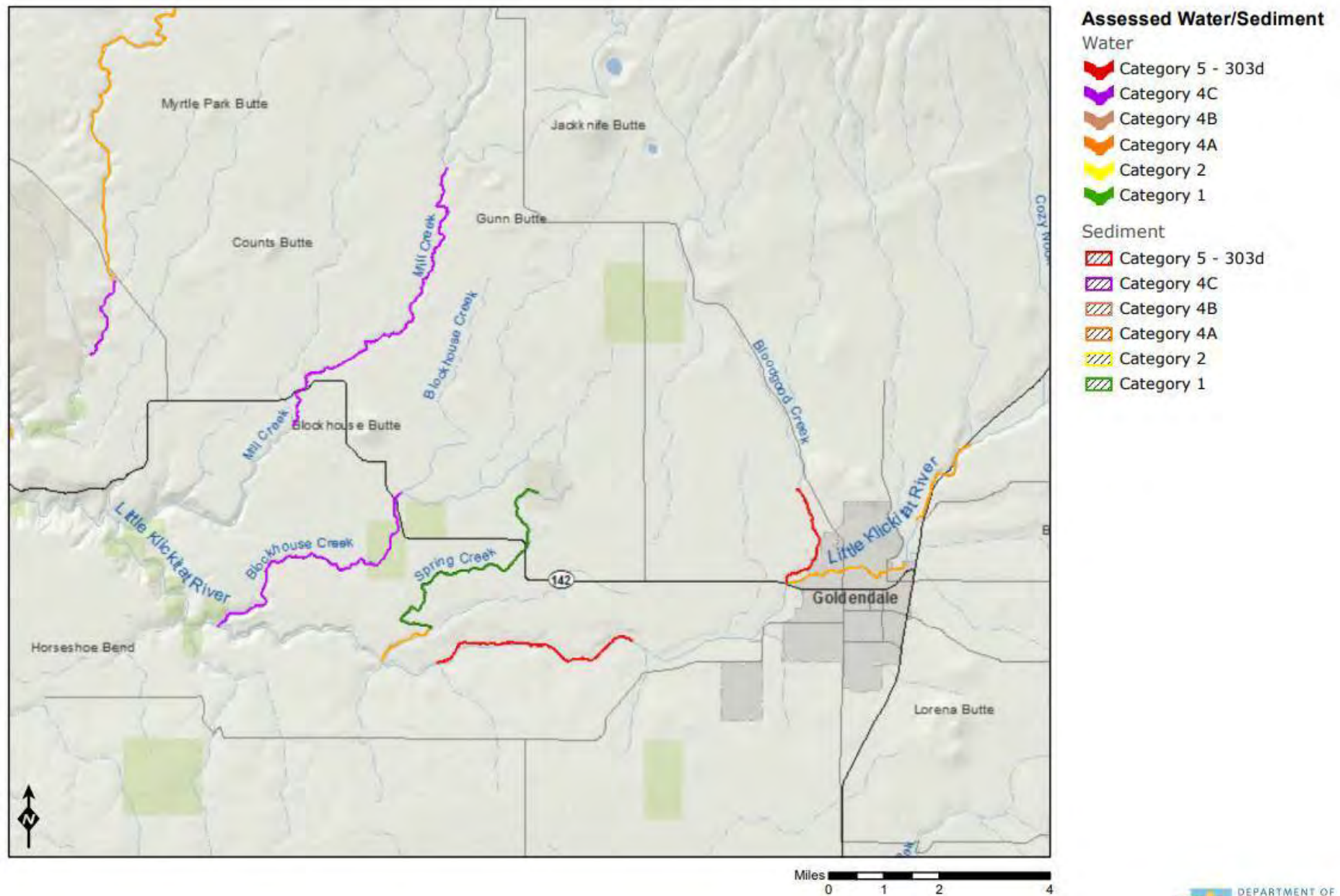


Figure 5. 303(d) Listed Waters in Little Klickitat River Basin (WRIA 30)

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Klickitat County

Ecology homepage > Water & Shorelines > Water improvement > Total Maximum Daily Load process > Directory of projects > Klickitat County

Water quality improvement projects

Select the waterbody or pollutant name to find more information about the specific project.

Waterbody Name(s)	Pollutant(s)	Status	Project Lead(s)
Little Klickitat River	BOD (5-day) Chlorine	EPA approved	Mark Peterschmidt 509-454-7843
Little Klickitat River Watershed	Temperature	EPA approved and Has an implementation plan	Mark Peterschmidt 509-454-7843

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Figure 6. TMDL's in Klickitat County (WRIA 29, 30, 31, and 37)

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Wetland name or number M

RATING SUMMARY – Eastern Washington

Name of wetland (or ID #): M Date of site visit: 7/24/2021

Rated by Brandon Stimac and Bridget Wojtala Trained by Ecology? ☒ Yes ☐ No Date of training Oct. 2020

HGM Class used for rating Depressional Wetland has multiple HGM classes? ☒ Y ☐ N

NOTE: Form is not complete without the figures requested (figures can be combined).

Source of base aerial photo/map ESRI

OVERALL WETLAND CATEGORY Cat. III (based on functions ☒ or special characteristics ☐)

1. Category of wetland based on FUNCTIONS

☐ **Category I** – Total score = 22-27

☐ **Category II** – Total score = 19-21

☒ **Category III** – Total score = 16-18

☐ **Category IV** – Total score = 9-15

FUNCTION	Improving Water Quality	Hydrologic	Habitat	
<i>Circle the appropriate ratings</i>				
Site Potential	H <input type="radio"/> M <input checked="" type="radio"/> L	H <input type="radio"/> M <input checked="" type="radio"/> L	H <input type="radio"/> M <input checked="" type="radio"/> L	
Landscape Potential	H <input type="radio"/> M <input checked="" type="radio"/> L	H <input type="radio"/> M <input checked="" type="radio"/> L	H <input type="radio"/> M <input checked="" type="radio"/> L	
Value	<input checked="" type="radio"/> H <input type="radio"/> M <input type="radio"/> L	H <input type="radio"/> M <input checked="" type="radio"/> L	H <input type="radio"/> M <input checked="" type="radio"/> L	TOTAL
Score Based on Ratings	7	6	5	18

Score for each function based on three ratings (order of ratings is not important)

9 = H,H,H

8 = H,H,M

7 = H,H,L

7 = H,M,M

6 = H,M,L

6 = M,M,M

5 = H,L,L

5 = M,M,L

4 = M,L,L

3 = L,L,L

2. Category based on SPECIAL CHARACTERISTICS of wetland

CHARACTERISTIC	CATEGORY
	<i>Circle the appropriate category</i>
Vernal Pools	II III
Alkali	I
Wetland of High Conservation Value	I
Bog and Calcareous Fens	I
Old Growth or Mature Forest – slow growing	I
Aspen Forest	I
Old Growth or Mature Forest – fast growing	II
Floodplain forest	II
None of the above	X

Wetland name or number M

Maps and figures required to answer questions correctly for Eastern Washington Depressional Wetlands

Map of:	To answer questions:	Figure #
Cowardin plant classes and classes of emergents	D 1.3, H 1.1, H 1.5	1
Hydroperiods (including area of open water for H 1.3)	D 1.4, H 1.2, H 1.3	2
Location of outlet (<i>can be added to map of hydroperiods</i>)	D 1.1, D 4.1	2
Boundary of area within 150 ft of the wetland (<i>can be added to another figure</i>)	D 2.2, D 5.2	1
Map of the contributing basin	D 5.3	3
1 km Polygon: Area that extends 1 km from entire wetland edge - including polygons for accessible habitat and undisturbed habitat	H 2.1, H 2.2, H 2.3	4
Screen capture of map of 303(d) listed waters in basin (from Ecology website)	D 3.1, D 3.2	5
Screen capture of list of TMDLs for WRIA in which wetland is found (website)	D 3.3	6

Riverine Wetlands

Map of:	To answer questions:	Figure #
Cowardin plant classes and classes of emergents	H 1.1, H 1.5	
Hydroperiods	H 1.2, H 1.3	
Ponded depressions	R 1.1	
Boundary of area within 150 ft of the wetland (<i>can be added to another figure</i>)	R 2.4	
Map of the contributing basin	R 2.2, R 2.3, R 5.2	
Plant cover of trees, shrubs, and herbaceous plants	R 1.2, R 4.2	
Width of wetland vs. width of stream (<i>can be added to another figure</i>)	R 4.1	
1 km Polygon: Area that extends 1 km from entire wetland edge - including polygons for accessible habitat and undisturbed habitat	H 2.1, H 2.2, H 2.3	
Screen capture of map of 303(d) listed waters in basin (from Ecology website)	R 3.1	
Screen capture of list of TMDLs for WRIA in which wetland is found (website)	R 3.2, R 3.3	

Lake Fringe Wetlands

Map of:	To answer questions:	Figure #
Cowardin plant classes and classes of emergents	L 1.1, L 4.1, H 1.1, H 1.5	
Plant cover of trees, shrubs, and herbaceous plants	L 1.2	
Boundary of area within 150 ft of the wetland (<i>can be added to another figure</i>)	L 2.2	
1 km Polygon: Area that extends 1 km from entire wetland edge - including polygons for accessible habitat and undisturbed habitat	H 2.1, H 2.2, H 2.3	
Screen capture of map of 303(d) listed waters in basin (from Ecology website)	L 3.1, L 3.2	
Screen capture of list of TMDLs for WRIA in which wetland is found (website)	L 3.3	

Slope Wetlands

Map of:	To answer questions:	Figure #
Cowardin plant classes and classes of emergents	H 1.1, H 1.5	
Hydroperiods	H 1.2, H 1.3	
Plant cover of dense trees, shrubs, and herbaceous plants	S 1.3	
Plant cover of dense, rigid trees, shrubs, and herbaceous plants (<i>can be added to figure above</i>)	S 4.1	
Boundary of area within 150 ft of the wetland (<i>can be added to another figure</i>)	S 2.1, S 5.1	
1 km Polygon: Area that extends 1 km from entire wetland edge - including polygons for accessible habitat and undisturbed habitat	H 2.1, H 2.2, H 2.3	
Screen capture of map of 303(d) listed waters in basin (from Ecology website)	S 3.1, S 3.2	
Screen capture of list of TMDLs for WRIA in which wetland is found (website)	S 3.3	

HGM Classification of Wetland in Eastern Washington

For questions 1-4, the criteria described must apply to the entire unit being rated.

If the hydrologic criteria listed in each question do not apply to the entire unit being rated, you probably have a unit with multiple HGM classes. In this case, identify which hydrologic criteria in questions 1-4 apply, and go to Question 5.

1. Does the entire unit **meet both** of the following criteria?

☐ The vegetated part of the wetland is on the water side of the Ordinary High Water Mark of a body of permanent open water (without any plants on the surface) that is at least 20 ac (8 ha) in size
☐ At least 30% of the open water area is deeper than 10 ft (3 m)

NO - go to 2

YES - The wetland class is **Lake Fringe** (Lacustrine Fringe)

2. Does the entire wetland unit **meet all** of the following criteria?

☐ The wetland is on a slope (*slope can be very gradual*),
☐ The water flows through the wetland in one direction (unidirectional) and usually comes from seeps. It may flow subsurface, as sheetflow, or in a swale without distinct banks;
☐ The water leaves the wetland **without being impounded**.

NO - go to 3

YES - The wetland class is **Slope**

NOTE: Surface water does not pond in these type of wetlands except occasionally in very small and shallow depressions or behind hummocks (depressions are usually <3 ft diameter and less than 1 foot deep).

3. Does the entire wetland unit **meet all** of the following criteria?

☒ The unit is in a valley, or stream channel, where it gets inundated by overbank flooding from that stream or river;
☒ The overbank flooding occurs at least once every 10 years.

NO - go to 4

YES - The wetland class is **Riverine**

NOTE: The Riverine wetland can contain depressions that are filled with water when the river is not flooding.

4. Is the entire wetland unit in a topographic depression in which water ponds, or is saturated to the surface, at some time during the year. *This means that any outlet, if present, is higher than the interior of the wetland.*

NO - go to 5

YES - The wetland class is **Depressional**

5. Your wetland unit seems to be difficult to classify and probably contains several different HGM classes. For example, seeps at the base of a slope may grade into a riverine floodplain, or a small stream within a Depressional wetland has a zone of flooding along its sides. **GO BACK AND IDENTIFY WHICH OF THE HYDROLOGIC REGIMES DESCRIBED IN QUESTIONS 1-4 APPLY TO DIFFERENT AREAS IN THE WETLAND UNIT** (make a rough sketch to help you decide). Use the following table to identify the appropriate class to use for the rating system if you have several HGM classes present within the wetland unit being scored.

Wetland name or number M

NOTE: Use this table only if the class that is recommended in the second column represents 10% or more of the total area of the wetland unit being rated. If the area of the HGM class listed in column 2 is less than 10% of the wetland unit; classify the wetland using the class that represents more than 90% of the total area.

HGM classes within the wetland unit being rated	HGM Class to use in rating
Slope + Riverine	Riverine
Slope + Depressional	Depressional
Slope + Lake Fringe	Lake Fringe
Depressional + Riverine (the riverine portion is within the boundary of depression)	Depressional
Depressional + Lake Fringe	Depressional
Riverine + Lake Fringe	Riverine

*If you are still unable to determine which of the above criteria apply to your wetland, or if you have **more than 2 HGM classes** within a wetland boundary, classify the wetland as Depressional for the rating.*

Wetland name or number M

DEPRESSIONAL WETLANDS

Water Quality Functions - Indicators that the site functions to improve water quality

Points
(only 1
score per
box)

D 1.0. Does the site have the potential to improve water quality?

D 1.1. Characteristics of surface water outflows from the wetland:

Wetland has no surface water outlet

points = 5

Wetland has an intermittently flowing outlet

points = 3

Wetland has a highly constricted permanently flowing outlet

points = 3

Wetland has a permanently flowing, unconstricted, surface outlet

points = 1

3

D 1.2. The soil 2 in below the surface (or duff layer) is true clay or true organic (use NRCS definitions of soils)

YES = 3 NO = 0

0

D 1.3. Characteristics of persistent vegetation (Emergent, Scrub-shrub, and/or Forested Cowardin classes)

Wetland has persistent, ungrazed, vegetation for > 2/3 of area

points = 5

Wetland has persistent, ungrazed, vegetation from 1/3 to 2/3 of area

points = 3

Wetland has persistent, ungrazed vegetation from 1/10 to < 1/3 of area

points = 1

Wetland has persistent, ungrazed vegetation < 1/10 of area

points = 0

3

D 1.4. Characteristics of seasonal ponding or inundation:

This is the area of ponding that fluctuates every year. Do not count the area that is permanently ponded.

Area seasonally ponded is > 1/2 total area of wetland

points = 3

Area seasonally ponded is 1/4 - 1/2 total area of wetland

points = 1

Area seasonally ponded is < 1/4 total area of wetland

points = 0

1

Total for D 1

Add the points in the boxes above

7

Rating of Site Potential If score is: 12- 16 = H X 6- 11 = M 0- 5 = L

Record the rating on the first page

D 2.0. Does the landscape have the potential to support the water quality function of the site?

D 2.1. Does the wetland receive stormwater discharges?

Yes = 1 No = 0

0

D 2.2. Is > 10% of the area within 150 ft of the wetland in land uses that generate pollutants?

Yes = 1 No = 0

1

D 2.3. Are there septic systems within 250 ft of the wetland?

Yes = 1 No = 0

1

D 2.4. Are there other sources of pollutants coming into the wetland that are not listed in questions

D 2.1- D 2.3? Source

Yes = 1 No = 0

0

Total for D 2

Add the points in the boxes above

2

Rating of Landscape Potential If score is: 3 or 4 = H X 1 or 2 = M 0 = L

Record the rating on the first page

D 3.0. Is the water quality improvement provided by the site valuable to society?

D 3.1. Does the wetland discharge directly (i.e., within 1 mi) to a stream, river, or lake that is on the 303(d) list?

Yes = 1 No = 0

0

D 3.2. Is the wetland in a basin or sub-basin where water quality is an issue in some aquatic resource [303(d) list, eutrophic lakes, problems with nuisance and toxic algae]?

Yes = 1 No = 0

1

D 3.3. Has the site been identified in a watershed or local plan as important for maintaining water quality (answer YES if there is a TMDL for the drainage or basin in which the wetland is found)?

Yes = 2 No = 0

2

Total for D 3

Add the points in the boxes above

3

Rating of Value If score is: X 2-4 = H 1 = M 0 = L

Record the rating on the first page

Wetland name or number M

DEPRESSIONAL WETLANDS

Points
(only 1 score
per box)

Hydrologic Functions - Indicators that the site functions to reduce flooding and erosion.

D 4.0. Does the site have the potential to reduce flooding and erosion?

D 4.1. Characteristics of surface water outflows from the wetland:

Wetland has no surface water outlet

points = 8

Wetland has an intermittently flowing outlet

points = 4

Wetland has a highly constricted permanently flowing outlet

points = 4

Wetland has a permanently flowing unconfined surface outlet

points = 0

(If outlet is a ditch and not permanently flowing treat wetland as "intermittently flowing")

4

D 4.2. Depth of storage during wet periods: Estimate the height of ponding above the bottom of the outlet. For wetlands with no outlet, measure from the surface of permanent water or deepest part (if dry).

Seasonal ponding: > 3 ft above the lowest point in wetland or the surface of permanent ponding points = 8

Seasonal ponding: 2 ft - < 3 ft above the lowest point in wetland or the surface of permanent ponding points = 6

The wetland is a headwater wetland points = 4

Seasonal ponding: 1 ft - < 2 ft points = 4

Seasonal ponding: 6 in - < 1 ft points = 2

Seasonal ponding: < 6 in or wetland has only saturated soils points = 0

4

Total for D 4

Add the points in the boxes above

8

Rating of Site Potential If score is: 12-16 = H X 6-11 = M 0-5 = L

Record the rating on the first page

D 5.0. Does the landscape have the potential to support the hydrologic functions of the site?

D 5.1. Does the wetland receive stormwater discharges?

Yes = 1 No = 0

0

D 5.2. Is > 10% of the area within 150 ft of the wetland in a land use that generates runoff?

 Yes = 1 No = 0

1

D 5.3. Is more than 25% of the contributing basin of the wetland covered with intensive human land uses?

 Yes = 1 No = 0

1

Total for D 5

Add the points in the boxes above

2

Rating of Landscape Potential If score is: 3 = H X 1 or 2 = M 0 = L

Record the rating on the first page

D 6.0. Are the hydrologic functions provided by the site valuable to society?

D 6.1. The wetland is in a landscape that has flooding problems.

Choose the description that best matches conditions around the wetland being rated. *Do not add points.*

Choose the highest score if more than one condition is met.

The wetland captures surface water that would otherwise flow down-gradient into areas where flooding has damaged human or natural resources (e.g., houses or salmon redds), AND

Flooding occurs in sub-basin that is immediately down-gradient of wetland

points = 2

Surface flooding problems are in a sub-basin farther down-gradient

points = 1

1

The existing or potential outflow from the wetland is so constrained by human or natural conditions that the water stored by the wetland cannot reach areas that flood.

Explain why _____

points = 0

There are no problems with flooding downstream of the wetland

points = 0

D 6.2. Has the site has been identified as important for flood storage or flood conveyance in a regional flood control plan?

Yes = 2 No = 0

0


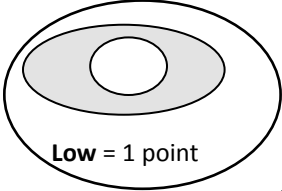
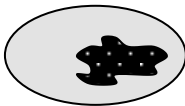
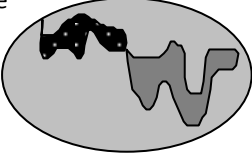
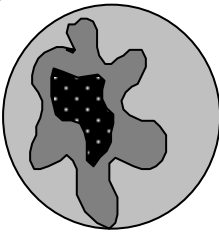
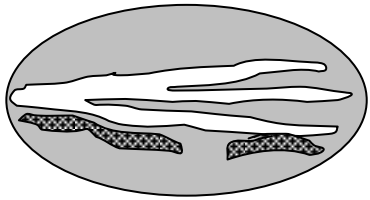
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Add the points in the boxes above

1

Rating of Value If score is: 2-4 = H X 1 = M 0 = L

Record the rating on the first page

These questions apply to wetlands of all HGM classes.		(only 1 score per box)
HABITAT FUNCTIONS - Indicators that site functions to provide important habitat		
H 1.0. Does the wetland have the potential to provide habitat for many species?		
<p>H 1.1. Structure of the plant community: <i>Check the Cowardin vegetation classes present and categories of emergent plants. Size threshold for each category is $\geq \frac{1}{4}$ ac or $\geq 10\%$ of the wetland if wetland is < 2.5 ac.</i></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Aquatic bed</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Emergent plants 0-12 in (0-30 cm) high are the highest layer and have $> 30\%$ cover</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Emergent plants >12-40 in (>30-100 cm) high are the highest layer with $>30\%$ cover</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Emergent plants > 40 in (> 100 cm) high are the highest layer with $>30\%$ cover</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Scrub-shrub (areas where shrubs have $>30\%$ cover)</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Forested (areas where trees have $>30\%$ cover)</p> <p style="text-align: right;">4 or more checks: points = 3 3 checks: points = 2 2 checks: points = 1 1 check: points = 0</p>		2
H 1.2. Is one of the vegetation types Aquatic Bed?		Yes = 1 No = 0
<p>H 1.3. <u>Surface water</u></p> <p>H 1.3.1. Does the wetland have areas of open water (without emergent or shrub plants) over at least $\frac{1}{4}$ ac OR 10% of its area during the March to early June OR in August to the end of September? <i>Answer YES for Lake Fringe wetlands.</i></p> <p style="text-align: right;">Yes = 3 points go to H 1.4 No = go to H 1.3.2</p> <p>H 1.3.2. Does the wetland have an intermittent or permanent, and unvegetated stream within its boundaries, or along one side, over at least $\frac{1}{4}$ ac or 10% of its area? <i>Answer yes only if H 1.3.1 is No.</i></p> <p style="text-align: right;">Yes = 3 No = 0</p>		3
<p>H 1.4. <u>Richness of plant species</u></p> <p>Count the number of plant species in the wetland that cover at least 10 ft^2. <i>Different patches of the same species can be combined to meet the size threshold. You do not have to name the species.</i></p> <p><i>Do not include Eurasian milfoil, reed canarygrass, purple loosestrife, Russian olive, Phragmites, Canadian thistle, yellow-flag iris, and saltcedar (Tamarisk)</i></p> <p># of species <u>6</u></p> <p style="text-align: right;">Scoring: > 9 species: points = 2 4-9 species: points = 1 < 4 species: points = 0</p>		1
<p>H 1.5. <u>Interspersion of habitats</u></p> <p>Decide from the diagrams below whether interspersions among types of plant structures (described in H 1.1), and unvegetated areas (open water or mudflats) is high, moderate, low, or none.</p> <p><i>Use map of Cowardin and emergent plant classes prepared for questions H 1.1 and map of open water from H 1.3. If you have four or more plant classes and open water, the rating is always high.</i></p> <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-around; align-items: flex-end;"> <div style="text-align: center;">  <p>None = 0 points</p> </div> <div style="text-align: center;">  <p>Low = 1 point</p> </div> <div style="text-align: center;">  <p>Moderate = 2 points</p> </div> </div> <p>All three diagrams in this row are</p> <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-around; align-items: flex-end;"> <div style="text-align: center;">  </div> <div style="text-align: center;">  </div> <div style="text-align: center;">  <p>Riparian braided channels with 2 classes</p> </div> </div> <p>High = 3 points</p>		Figure 1 1

CATEGORIZATION BASED ON SPECIAL CHARACTERISTICS

Please determine if the wetland meets the attributes described below and circle the appropriate category. NOTE: A wetland may meet the criteria for more than one set of special characteristics. Record all those that apply. NOTE: All wetlands should also be characterized based on their functions.

Wetland Type	Category
<i>Check off any criteria that apply to the wetland. Circle the category when the appropriate criteria are met.</i>	
SC 1.0. Vernal pools Is the wetland less than 4000 ft² , and does it meet at least two of the following criteria? — Its only source of water is rainfall or snowmelt from a small contributing basin and has no groundwater input. — Wetland plants are typically present only in the spring; the summer vegetation is typically upland annuals. <i>If you find perennial, obligate, wetland plants, the wetland is probably NOT a vernal pool.</i> — The soil in the wetland is shallow [< 1 ft (30 cm) deep] and is underlain by an impermeable layer such as basalt or clay. — Surface water is present for less than 120 days during the wet season. <div style="text-align: right;">Yes – Go to SC 1.1 No = Not a vernal pool</div>	
SC 1.1. Is the vernal pool relatively undisturbed in February and March? <div style="text-align: right;">Yes – Go to SC 1.2 No = Not a vernal pool with special characteristics</div>	
SC 1.2. Is the vernal pool in an area where there are at least 3 separate aquatic resources within 0.5 mi (other wetlands, rivers, lakes etc.)? <div style="text-align: right;">Yes = Category II No = Category III</div>	Cat. II Cat. III
SC 2.0. Alkali wetlands Does the wetland meet one of the following criteria? — The wetland has a conductivity > 3.0 mS/cm. — The wetland has a conductivity between 2.0 and 3.0 mS, and more than 50% of the plant cover in the wetland can be classified as “alkali” species (see Table 4 for list of plants found in alkali systems). — If the wetland is dry at the time of your field visit, the central part of the area is covered with a layer of salt. OR does the wetland unit meet two of the following three sub-criteria? — Salt encrustations around more than 75% of the edge of the wetland — More than $\frac{3}{4}$ of the plant cover consists of species listed on Table 4 — A pH above 9.0. All alkali wetlands have a high pH, but please note that some freshwater wetlands may also have a high pH. Thus, pH alone is not a good indicator of alkali wetlands. <div style="text-align: right;">Yes = Category I No = Not an alkali wetland</div>	Cat. I
SC 3.0. Wetlands of High Conservation Value (WHCV) SC 3.1. Has the WA Department of Natural Resources updated their website to include the list of Wetlands of High Conservation Value? <div style="text-align: right;">Yes – Go to SC 3.2 No – Go to SC 3.3</div> SC 3.2. Is the wetland listed on the WDNR database as a Wetland of High Conservation Value? <div style="text-align: right;">Yes = Category I No = Not a WHCV</div> SC 3.3. Is the wetland in a Section/Township/Range that contains a Natural Heritage wetland? http://www1.dnr.wa.gov/nhp/refdesk/datasearch/wnhpwetlands.pdf <div style="text-align: right;">Yes – Contact WNHP/WDNR and go to SC 3.4 No = Not a WHCV</div> SC 3.4. Has WDNR identified the wetland within the S/T/R as a Wetland of High Conservation Value and it is listed on their website? <div style="text-align: right;">Yes = Category I No = Not a WHCV</div>	Cat. I

SC 4.0 Bogs and Calcareous Fens Does the wetland (or any part of the wetland unit) meet both the criteria for soils and vegetation in bogs or calcareous fens? <i>Use the key below to identify if the wetland is a bog or calcareous fen. If you answer yes you will still need to rate the wetland based on its functions.</i>		
SC 4.1. Does an area within the wetland have organic soil horizons (i.e., layers of organic soil), either peats or mucks, that compose 16 in or more of the first 32 in of the soil profile? <i>See Appendix C for a field key to identify organic soils.</i>	Yes – Go to SC 4.3 No – Go to SC 4.2	
SC 4.2. Does an area within the wetland have organic soils, either peats or mucks, that are less than 16 in deep over bedrock or an impermeable hardpan such as clay or volcanic ash, or that are floating on top of a lake or pond?	Yes – Go to SC 4.3 No = Is not a bog for rating	
SC 4.3. Does an area within the wetland have more than 70% cover of mosses at ground level AND at least 30% of the total plant cover consists of species in Table 5? NOTE: If you are uncertain about the extent of mosses in the understory, you may substitute that criterion by measuring the pH of the water that seeps into a hole dug at least 16 in deep. If the pH is less than 5.0 and the plant species in Table 5 are present, the wetland is a bog.	Yes = Category I bog No – Go to SC 4.4	
SC 4.4. Is an area with peats or mucks forested (> 30% cover) with subalpine fir, western red cedar, western hemlock, lodgepole pine, quaking aspen, Engelmann spruce, or western white pine, AND any of the species (or combination of species) listed in Table 5 provide more than 30% of the cover under the canopy?	Yes = Category I bog No – Go to SC 4.5	Cat. I
SC 4.5. Do the species listed in Table 6 comprise at least 20% of the total plant cover within an area of peats and mucks?	Yes = Is a Calcareous Fen for purpose of rating No – Go to SC 4.6	
SC 4.6. Do the species listed in Table 6 comprise at least 10% of the total plant cover in an area of peats and mucks, AND one of the two following conditions is met: — Marl deposits [calcium carbonate (CaCO ₃) precipitate] occur on the soil surface or plant stems — The pH of free water is ≥ 6.8 AND electrical conductivity is ≥ 200 uS/cm at multiple locations within the wetland	Yes = Is a Category I calcareous fen No = Is not a calcareous fen	Cat. I
SC 5.0. Forested Wetlands Does the wetland have an area of forest rooted within its boundary that meets at least one of the following three criteria? <i>(Continue only if you have identified that a forested class is present in question H 1.1)</i> — The wetland is within the 100 year floodplain of a river or stream — Aspen (<i>Populus tremuloides</i>) represents at least 20% of the total cover of woody species — There is at least ¼ ac of trees (even in wetlands smaller than 2.5 ac) that are “mature” or “old-growth” according to the definitions for these priority habitats developed by WDFW <i>(see definitions in question H3.1)</i> Yes – Go to SC 5.1 No = Not a forested wetland with special characteristics		
SC 5.1. Does the wetland have a forest canopy where more than 50% of the tree species (by cover) are slow growing native trees <i>(see Table 7)?</i>	Yes = Category I No – Go to SC 5.2	Cat. I
SC 5.2. Does the wetland have areas where aspen (<i>Populus tremuloides</i>) represents at least 20% of the total cover of woody species?	Yes = Category I No – Go to SC 5.3	Cat. I
SC 5.3. Does the wetland have at least ¼ acre with a forest canopy where more than 50% of the tree species (by cover) are fast growing species <i>(see Table 7)?</i>	Yes = Category II No – Go to SC 5.4	Cat. II
SC 5.4. Is the forested component of the wetland within the 100 year floodplain of a river or stream?	Yes = Category II No = Not a forested wetland with special characteristics	Cat. II
Category of wetland based on Special Characteristics Choose the highest rating if wetland falls into several categories If you answered No for all types, enter “Not Applicable” on Summary Form		N/A

Appendix B: WDFW Priority Habitats in Eastern Washington

Priority habitats listed by WDFW (see complete descriptions of WDFW priority habitats, and the counties in which they can be found, in: Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife. 2008. Priority Habitat and Species List. Olympia, Washington. 177 pp. <http://wdfw.wa.gov/publications/00165/wdfw00165.pdf> or access the list from here: <http://wdfw.wa.gov/conservation/phs/list/>)

Count how many of the following priority habitats are within 330 ft (100 m) of the wetland: **NOTE:** *This question is independent of the land use between the wetland and the priority habitat.*

- **Aspen Stands:** Pure or mixed stands of aspen greater than 1 ac (0.4 ha).
- **Biodiversity Areas and Corridors:** Areas of habitat that are relatively important to various species of native fish and wildlife (*full descriptions in WDFW PHS report*).
- **Old-growth/Mature forests:** Old-growth east of Cascade crest – Stands are highly variable in tree species composition and structural characteristics due to the influence of fire, climate, and soils. In general, stands will be >150 years of age, with 10 trees/ac (25 trees/ha) that are > 21 in (53 cm) dbh, and 1-3 snags/ac (2.5-7.5 snags/ha) that are > 12-14 in (30-35 cm) diameter. Downed logs may vary from abundant to absent. Canopies may be single or multi-layered. Evidence of human-caused alterations to the stand will be absent or so slight as to not affect the ecosystem's essential structures and functions. Mature forests – Stands with average diameters exceeding 21 in (53 cm) dbh; crown cover may be less than 100%; decay, decadence, numbers of snags, and quantity of large downed material is generally less than that found in old-growth; 80-200 years old west and 80-160 years old east of the Cascade crest.
- **Oregon White Oak:** Woodland stands of pure oak or oak/conifer associations where canopy coverage of the oak component is important (*full descriptions in WDFW PHS report p. 158 – see web link above*).
- X **Riparian:** The area adjacent to aquatic systems with flowing water that contains elements of both aquatic and terrestrial ecosystems which mutually influence each other.
- X **Instream:** The combination of physical, biological, and chemical processes and conditions that interact to provide functional life history requirements for instream fish and wildlife resources.
- **Caves:** A naturally occurring cavity, recess, void, or system of interconnected passages under the earth in soils, rock, ice, or other geological formations and is large enough to contain a human.
- **Cliffs:** Greater than 25 ft (7.6 m) high and occurring below 5000 ft elevation.
- **Talus:** Homogenous areas of rock rubble ranging in average size 0.5 - 6.5 ft (0.15 - 2.0 m), composed of basalt, andesite, and/or sedimentary rock, including riprap slides and mine tailings. May be associated with cliffs.
- **Snags and Logs:** Trees are considered snags if they are dead or dying and exhibit sufficient decay characteristics to enable cavity excavation/use by wildlife. Priority snags have a diameter at breast height of > 12 in (30 cm) in eastern Washington and are > 6.5 ft (2 m) in height. Priority logs are > 12 in (30 cm) in diameter at the largest end, and > 20 ft (6 m) long.
- **Shrub-steppe:** A nonforested vegetation type consisting of one or more layers of perennial bunchgrasses and a conspicuous but discontinuous layer of shrubs (see Eastside Steppe for sites with little or no shrub cover).
- **Eastside Steppe:** Nonforested vegetation type dominated by broadleaf herbaceous flora (i.e., forbs), perennial bunchgrasses, or a combination of both. Bluebunch wheatgrass (*Pseudoroegneria spicata*) is often the prevailing cover component along with Idaho fescue (*Festuca idahoensis*), Sandberg bluegrass (*Poa secunda*), rough fescue (*F. campestris*), or needlegrasses (*Achnatherum* spp.).
- **Juniper Savannah:** All juniper woodlands.

Note: All vegetated wetlands are by definition a priority habitat but are not included in this list because they are addressed elsewhere.

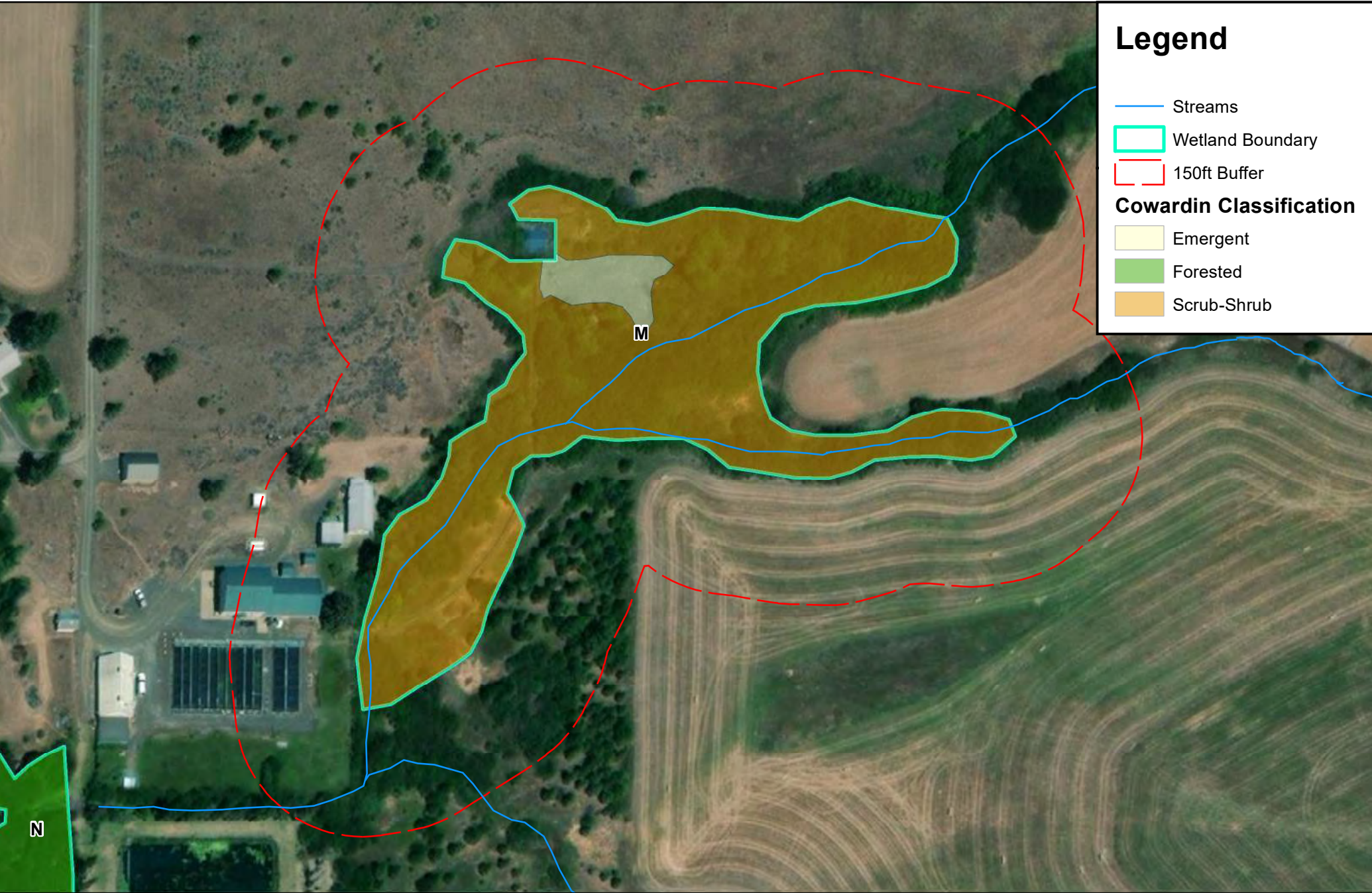


Figure 1. Wetland M Cowardin Classifications
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Legend

Streams

Wetland Boundary

Hydroperiods

Occasionally Flooded or Inundated

Permanently Flooded or Inundated

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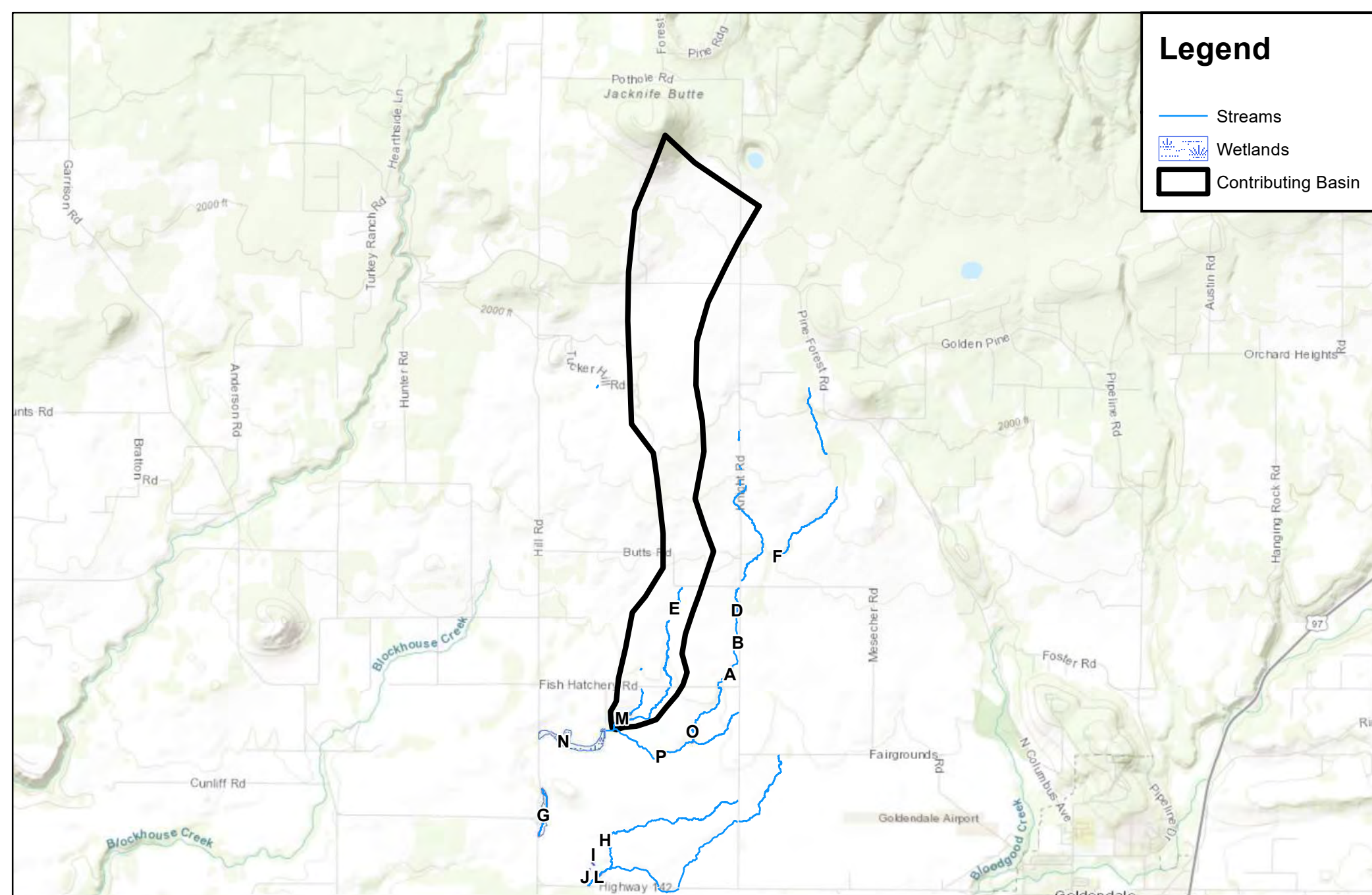
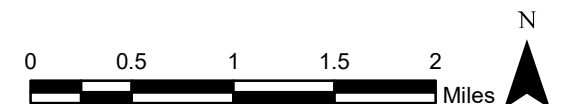


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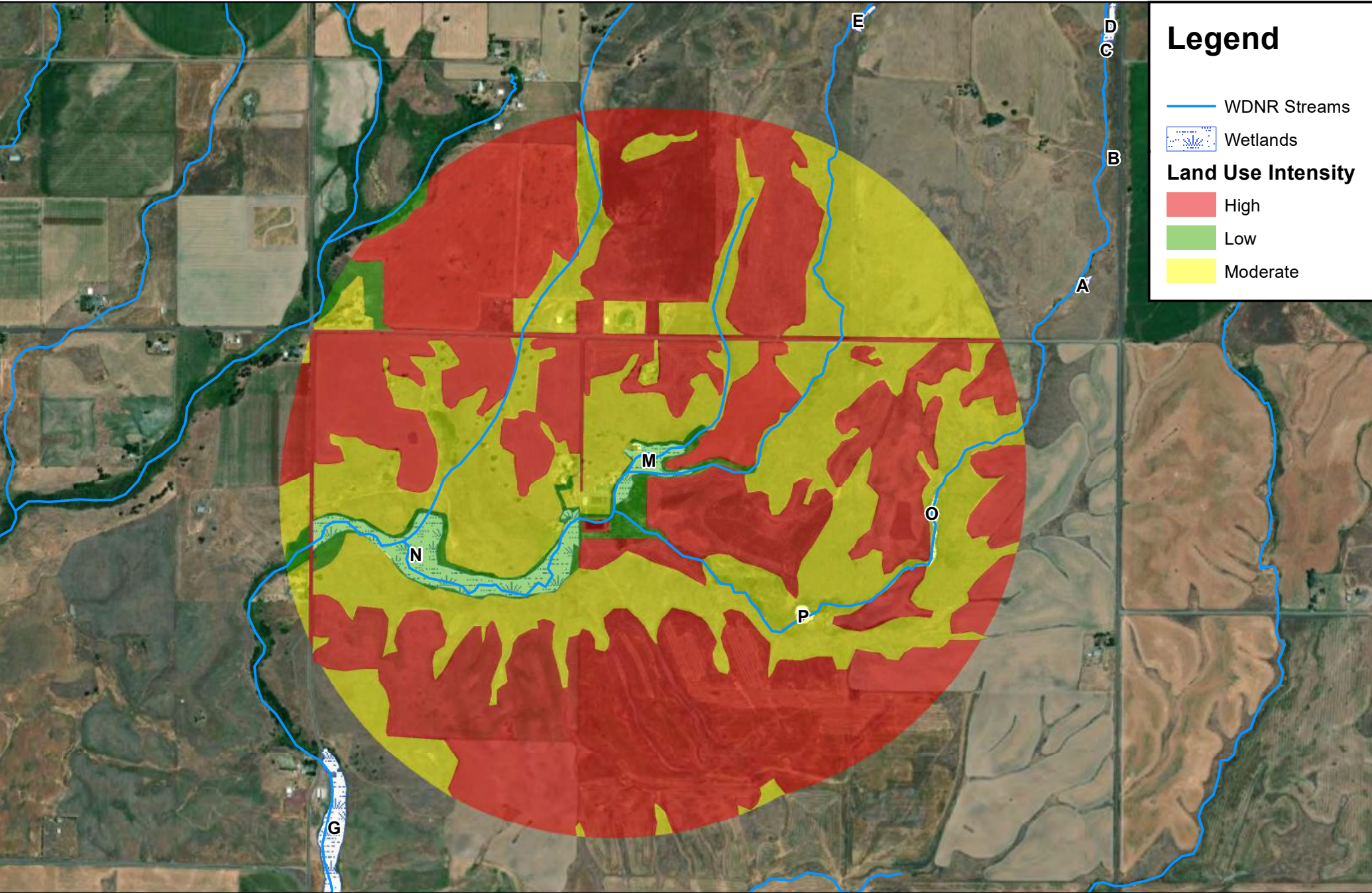


Figure 4. Wetland M Land Use and Habitat Map
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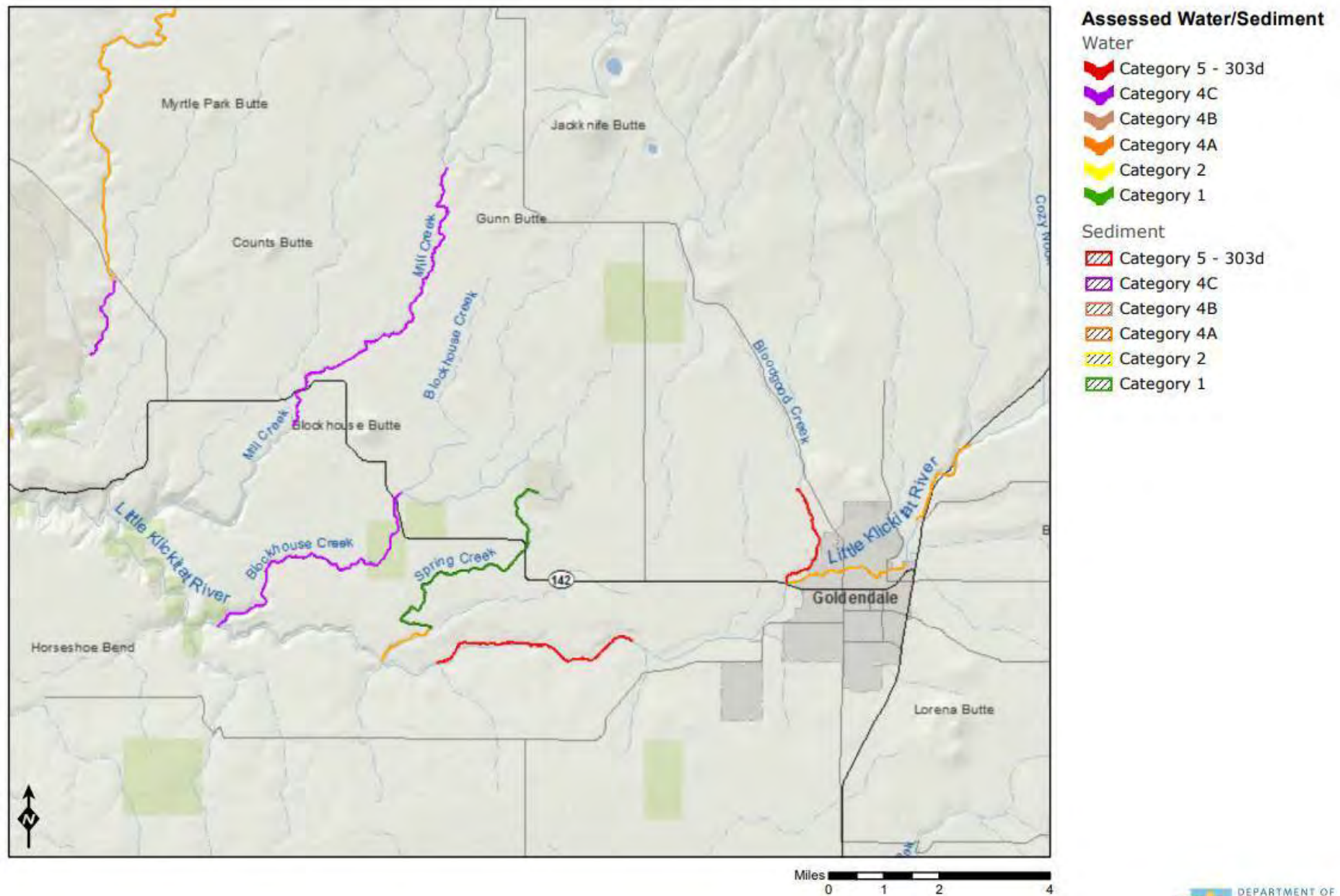


Figure 5. 303(d) Listed Waters in Little Klickitat River Basin (WRIA 30)

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Waterbody Name(s)	Pollutant(s)	Status	Project Lead(s)
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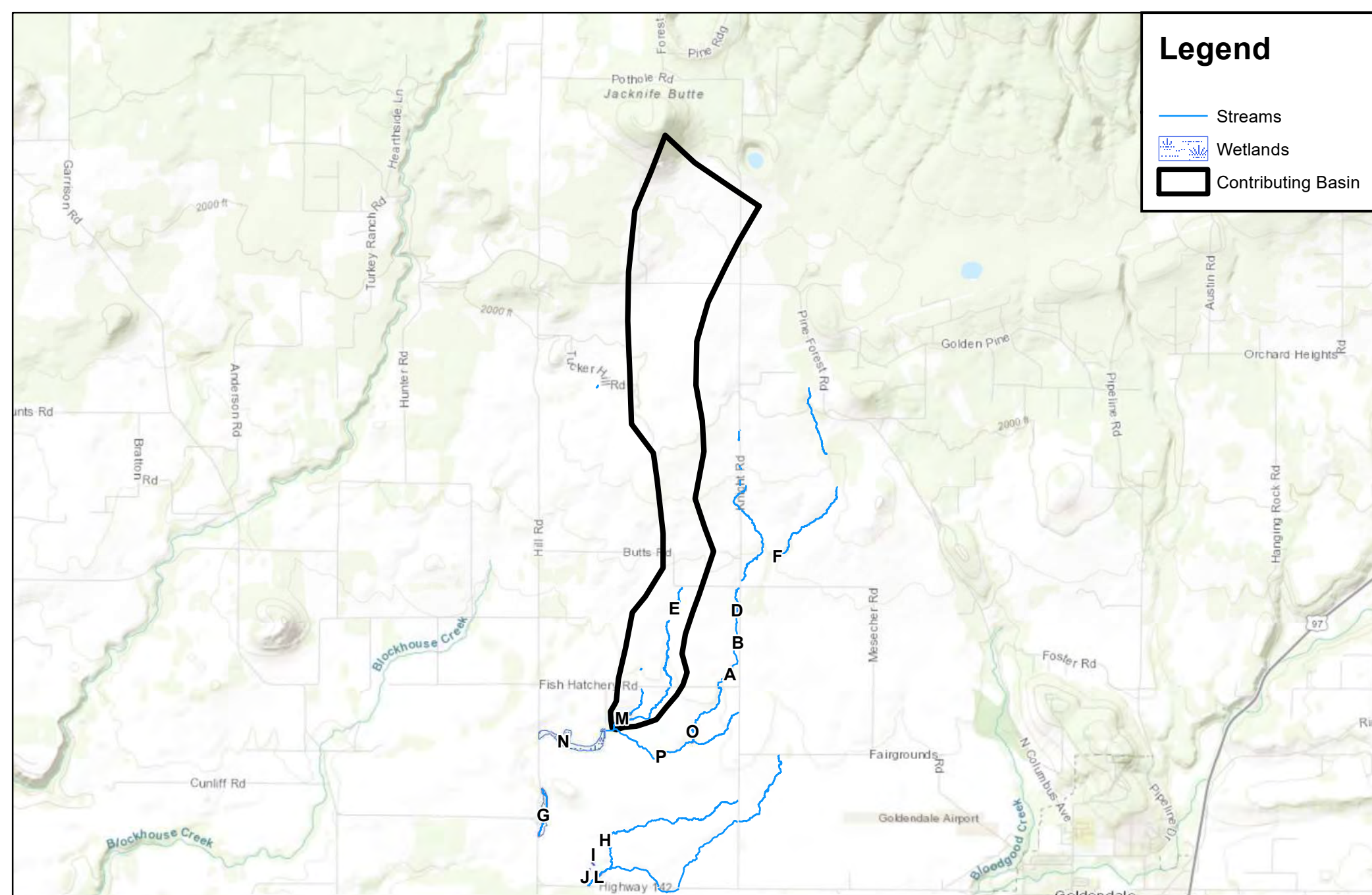
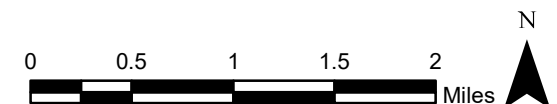


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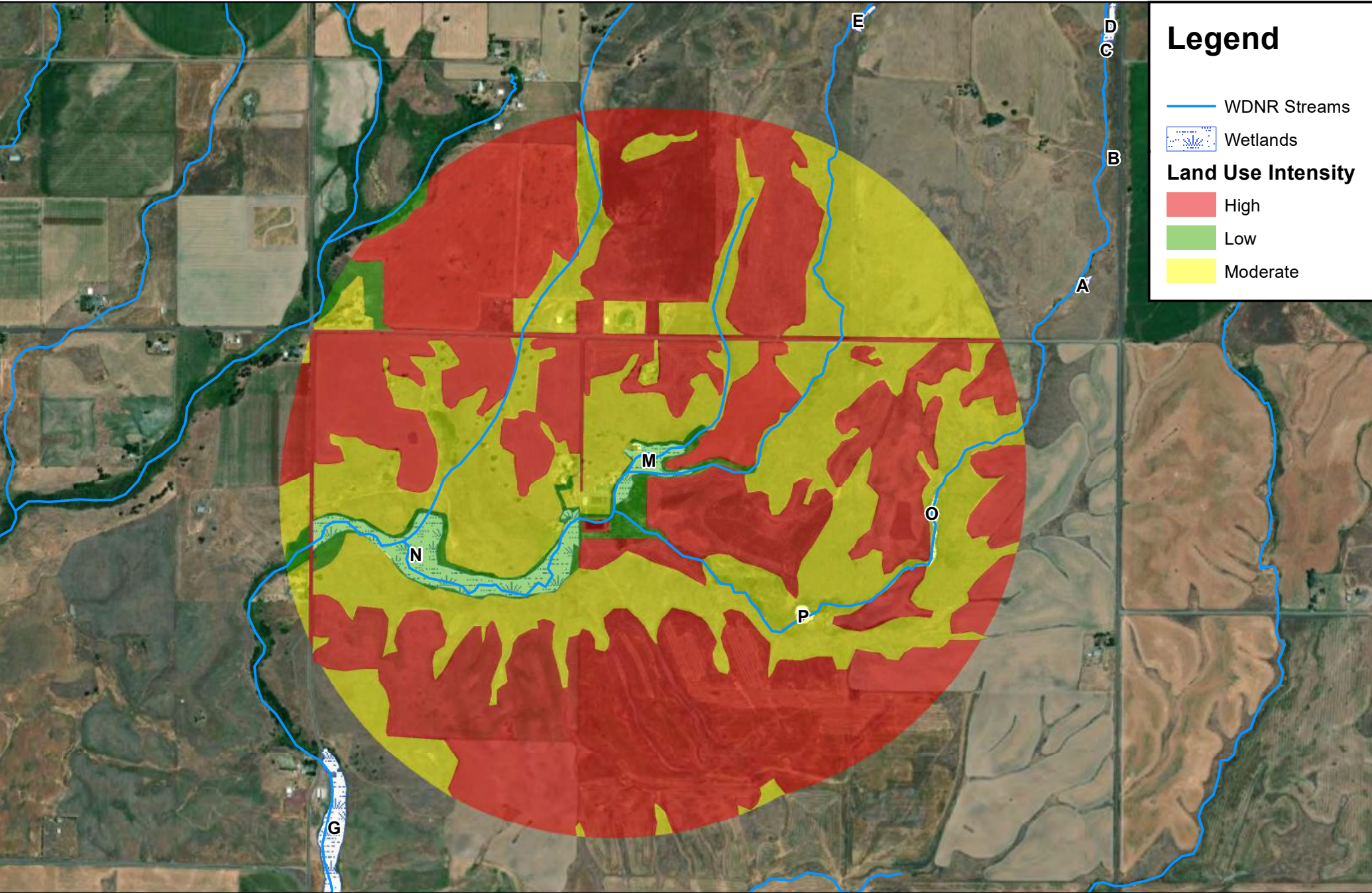


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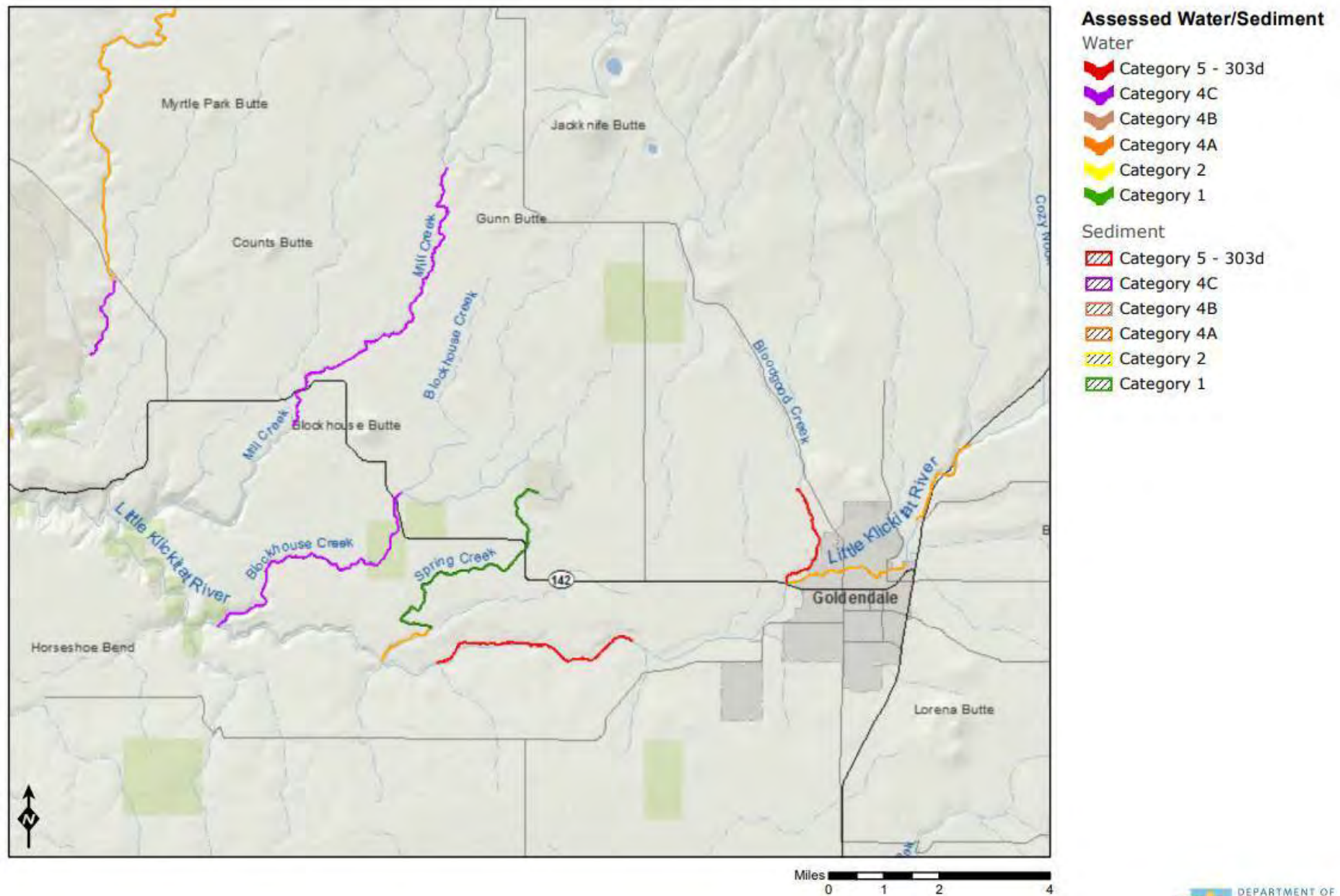


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Wetland name or number 0

RATING SUMMARY – Eastern Washington

Name of wetland (or ID #): 0 Date of site visit: 7/24/2021

Rated by Brandon Stimac and Bridget Wojtala Trained by Ecology? X Yes No Date of training Oct. 2020

HGM Class used for rating Riverine Wetland has multiple HGM classes? Y XN

NOTE: Form is not complete without the figures requested (figures can be combined).

Source of base aerial photo/map ESRI

OVERALL WETLAND CATEGORY Cat. III (based on functions X or special characteristics)

1. Category of wetland based on FUNCTIONS

 Category I – Total score = 22-27

 Category II – Total score = 19-21

X Category III – Total score = 16-18

 Category IV – Total score = 9-15

FUNCTION	Improving Water Quality	Hydrologic	Habitat	
Circle the appropriate ratings				
Site Potential	H (M) L	(H) M L	H (M) L	
Landscape Potential	H (M) L	H (M) L	H M (L)	
Value	H M (L)	(H) M L	H (M) L	TOTAL
Score Based on Ratings	5	8	5	18

Score for each
function based
on three
ratings
(order of ratings
is not
important)

9 = H,H,H
8 = H,H,M
7 = H,H,L
7 = H,M,M
6 = H,M,L
6 = M,M,M
5 = H,L,L
5 = M,M,L
4 = M,L,L
3 = L,L,L

2. Category based on SPECIAL CHARACTERISTICS of wetland

CHARACTERISTIC	CATEGORY
	Circle the appropriate category
Vernal Pools	II III
Alkali	I
Wetland of High Conservation Value	I
Bog and Calcareous Fens	I
Old Growth or Mature Forest – slow growing	I
Aspen Forest	I
Old Growth or Mature Forest – fast growing	II
Floodplain forest	II
None of the above	X

Wetland name or number O

Maps and figures required to answer questions correctly for Eastern Washington Depressional Wetlands

Map of:	To answer questions:	Figure #
Cowardin plant classes and classes of emergents	D 1.3, H 1.1, H 1.5	
Hydroperiods (including area of open water for H 1.3)	D 1.4, H 1.2, H 1.3	
Location of outlet (<i>can be added to map of hydroperiods</i>)	D 1.1, D 4.1	
Boundary of area within 150 ft of the wetland (<i>can be added to another figure</i>)	D 2.2, D 5.2	
Map of the contributing basin	D 5.3	
1 km Polygon: Area that extends 1 km from entire wetland edge - including polygons for accessible habitat and undisturbed habitat	H 2.1, H 2.2, H 2.3	
Screen capture of map of 303(d) listed waters in basin (from Ecology website)	D 3.1, D 3.2	
Screen capture of list of TMDLs for WRIA in which wetland is found (website)	D 3.3	

Riverine Wetlands

Map of:	To answer questions:	Figure #
Cowardin plant classes and classes of emergents	H 1.1, H 1.5	1
Hydroperiods	H 1.2, H 1.3	2
Ponded depressions	R 1.1	2
Boundary of area within 150 ft of the wetland (<i>can be added to another figure</i>)	R 2.4	1
Map of the contributing basin	R 2.2, R 2.3, R 5.2	1
Plant cover of trees, shrubs, and herbaceous plants	R 1.2, R 4.2	1-2
Width of wetland vs. width of stream (<i>can be added to another figure</i>)	R 4.1	3
1 km Polygon: Area that extends 1 km from entire wetland edge - including polygons for accessible habitat and undisturbed habitat	H 2.1, H 2.2, H 2.3	4
Screen capture of map of 303(d) listed waters in basin (from Ecology website)	R 3.1	5
Screen capture of list of TMDLs for WRIA in which wetland is found (website)	R 3.2, R 3.3	6

Lake Fringe Wetlands

Map of:	To answer questions:	Figure #
Cowardin plant classes and classes of emergents	L 1.1, L 4.1, H 1.1, H 1.5	
Plant cover of trees, shrubs, and herbaceous plants	L 1.2	
Boundary of area within 150 ft of the wetland (<i>can be added to another figure</i>)	L 2.2	
1 km Polygon: Area that extends 1 km from entire wetland edge - including polygons for accessible habitat and undisturbed habitat	H 2.1, H 2.2, H 2.3	
Screen capture of map of 303(d) listed waters in basin (from Ecology website)	L 3.1, L 3.2	
Screen capture of list of TMDLs for WRIA in which wetland is found (website)	L 3.3	

Slope Wetlands

Map of:	To answer questions:	Figure #
Cowardin plant classes and classes of emergents	H 1.1, H 1.5	
Hydroperiods	H 1.2, H 1.3	
Plant cover of dense trees, shrubs, and herbaceous plants	S 1.3	
Plant cover of dense, rigid trees, shrubs, and herbaceous plants (<i>can be added to figure above</i>)	S 4.1	
Boundary of area within 150 ft of the wetland (<i>can be added to another figure</i>)	S 2.1, S 5.1	
1 km Polygon: Area that extends 1 km from entire wetland edge - including polygons for accessible habitat and undisturbed habitat	H 2.1, H 2.2, H 2.3	
Screen capture of map of 303(d) listed waters in basin (from Ecology website)	S 3.1, S 3.2	
Screen capture of list of TMDLs for WRIA in which wetland is found (website)	S 3.3	

HGM Classification of Wetland in Eastern Washington

For questions 1-4, the criteria described must apply to the entire unit being rated.

If the hydrologic criteria listed in each question do not apply to the entire unit being rated, you probably have a unit with multiple HGM classes. In this case, identify which hydrologic criteria in questions 1-4 apply, and go to Question 5.

1. Does the entire unit **meet both** of the following criteria?

☐ The vegetated part of the wetland is on the water side of the Ordinary High Water Mark of a body of permanent open water (without any plants on the surface) that is at least 20 ac (8 ha) in size
☐ At least 30% of the open water area is deeper than 10 ft (3 m)

NO - go to 2

YES - The wetland class is **Lake Fringe** (Lacustrine Fringe)

2. Does the entire wetland unit **meet all** of the following criteria?

☐ The wetland is on a slope (*slope can be very gradual*),
☐ The water flows through the wetland in one direction (unidirectional) and usually comes from seeps. It may flow subsurface, as sheetflow, or in a swale without distinct banks;
☐ The water leaves the wetland **without being impounded**.

NO - go to 3

YES - The wetland class is **Slope**

NOTE: Surface water does not pond in these type of wetlands except occasionally in very small and shallow depressions or behind hummocks (depressions are usually <3 ft diameter and less than 1 foot deep).

3. Does the entire wetland unit **meet all** of the following criteria?

☒ The unit is in a valley, or stream channel, where it gets inundated by overbank flooding from that stream or river;
☒ The overbank flooding occurs at least once every 10 years.

NO - go to 4

YES - The wetland class is **Riverine**

NOTE: The Riverine wetland can contain depressions that are filled with water when the river is not flooding.

4. Is the entire wetland unit in a topographic depression in which water ponds, or is saturated to the surface, at some time during the year. *This means that any outlet, if present, is higher than the interior of the wetland.*

NO - go to 5

YES - The wetland class is **Depressional**

5. Your wetland unit seems to be difficult to classify and probably contains several different HGM classes. For example, seeps at the base of a slope may grade into a riverine floodplain, or a small stream within a Depressional wetland has a zone of flooding along its sides. **GO BACK AND IDENTIFY WHICH OF THE HYDROLOGIC REGIMES DESCRIBED IN QUESTIONS 1-4 APPLY TO DIFFERENT AREAS IN THE WETLAND UNIT** (make a rough sketch to help you decide). Use the following table to identify the appropriate class to use for the rating system if you have several HGM classes present within the wetland unit being scored.

Wetland name or number O

NOTE: Use this table only if the class that is recommended in the second column represents 10% or more of the total area of the wetland unit being rated. If the area of the HGM class listed in column 2 is less than 10% of the wetland unit; classify the wetland using the class that represents more than 90% of the total area.

HGM classes within the wetland unit being rated	HGM Class to use in rating
Slope + Riverine	Riverine
Slope + Depressional	Depressional
Slope + Lake Fringe	Lake Fringe
Depressional + Riverine (the riverine portion is within the boundary of depression)	Depressional
Depressional + Lake Fringe	Depressional
Riverine + Lake Fringe	Riverine

*If you are still unable to determine which of the above criteria apply to your wetland, or if you have **more than 2 HGM classes** within a wetland boundary, classify the wetland as Depressional for the rating.*

O

Rating of Site Potential If score is: 12-16 = H X 6-11 = M 0-5 = L *Record the rating on the first page*

Rating of Landscape Potential If score is: 3-6 = H X 1 or 2 = M 0 = L *Record the rating on the first page*

Rating of Value If score is: 2-4 = H 1 = M X 0 = L *Record the rating on the first page*

Wetland name or number 0

RIVERINE WETLANDS

Points
(only 1 score
per box)

Hydrologic Functions - Indicators that site functions to reduce flooding and stream erosion

R 4.0. Does the site have the potential to reduce flooding and erosion?

R 4.1. Characteristics of the overbank storage the wetland provides:

Estimate the average width of the wetland perpendicular to the direction of the flow and the width of the stream or river channel (distance between banks). Calculate the ratio: (average width of wetland)/(average width of stream between banks).

If the ratio is more than 2

points = 10

If the ratio is 1-2

points = 8

If the ratio is 1/2-<1

points = 4

If the ratio is 1/4-< 1/2

points = 2

If the ratio is < 1/4

points = 1

10

R 4.2. Characteristics of plants that slow down water velocities during floods: *Treat large woody debris as forest or shrub. Choose the points appropriate for the best description (polygons need to have > 90% cover at person height. These are NOT Cowardin classes).*

Forest or shrub for more than 2/3 the area of the wetland

points = 6

Forest or shrub for >1/3 area OR emergent plants > 2/3 area

points = 4

Forest or shrub for > 1/10 area OR emergent plants > 1/3 area

points = 2

Plants do not meet above criteria

points = 0

6

Total for R 5

Add the points in the boxes above

16

Rating of Site Potential If score is: X 12-16 = H ___ 6-11 = M ___ 0-5 = L

Record the rating on the first page

R 5.0. Does the landscape have the potential to support the hydrologic functions of the site?

R 5.1. Is the stream or river adjacent to the wetland downcut?

Yes = 0 No = 1

1

R 5.2. Does the up-gradient watershed include a UGA or incorporated area?

Yes = 1 No = 0

0

R 5.3. Is the up-gradient stream or river controlled by dams?

Yes = 0 No = 1

1

Total for R 5

Add the points in the boxes above

2

Rating of Landscape Potential If score is: ___ 3 = H X 1 or 2 = M ___ 0 = L

Record the rating on the first page

R 6.0. Are the hydrologic functions provided by the site valuable to society?

R 6.1. Distance to the nearest areas downstream that have flooding problems? *Choose the description that best fits the site.*

The sub-basin immediately down-gradient of site has surface flooding problems that result in damage to human or natural resources

points = 2

Surface flooding problems are in a basin farther down-gradient

points = 1

No flooding problems anywhere downstream

points = 0

2

R 6.2. Has the site been identified as important for flood storage or flood conveyance in a regional flood control plan?

Yes = 2 No = 0

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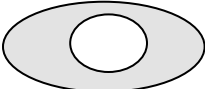
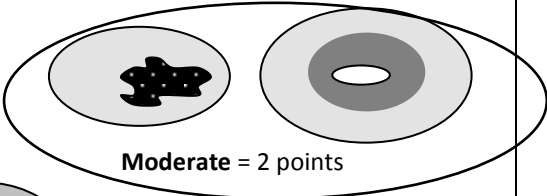
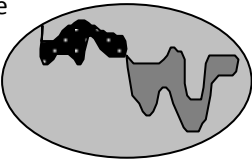
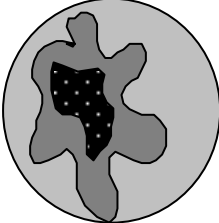
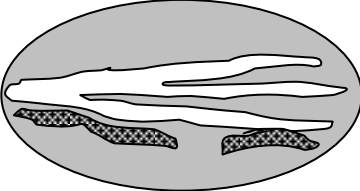
Total for R 6

Add the points in the boxes above

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Rating of Value If score is: X 2-4 = H ___ 1 = M ___ 0 = L

Record the rating on the first page

These questions apply to wetlands of all HGM classes.		(only 1 score per box)
HABITAT FUNCTIONS - Indicators that site functions to provide important habitat		
H 1.0. Does the wetland have the potential to provide habitat for many species?		
<p>H 1.1. Structure of the plant community: <i>Check the Cowardin vegetation classes present and categories of emergent plants. Size threshold for each category is $\geq \frac{1}{4}$ ac or $\geq 10\%$ of the wetland if wetland is < 2.5 ac.</i></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Aquatic bed</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Emergent plants 0-12 in (0-30 cm) high are the highest layer and have $> 30\%$ cover</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Emergent plants >12-40 in (>30-100 cm) high are the highest layer with $>30\%$ cover</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Emergent plants > 40 in (> 100 cm) high are the highest layer with $>30\%$ cover</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Scrub-shrub (areas where shrubs have $>30\%$ cover)</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Forested (areas where trees have $>30\%$ cover)</p> <p style="text-align: right;">4 or more checks: points = 3 3 checks: points = 2 2 checks: points = 1 1 check: points = 0</p>	1	
<p>H 1.2. Is one of the vegetation types Aquatic Bed?</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Yes = 1 No = 0</p>	0	
<p>H 1.3. <u>Surface water</u></p> <p>H 1.3.1. Does the wetland have areas of open water (without emergent or shrub plants) over at least $\frac{1}{4}$ ac OR 10% of its area during the March to early June OR in August to the end of September? <i>Answer YES for Lake Fringe wetlands.</i></p> <p style="text-align: right;">Yes = 3 points & go to H 1.4. No = go to H 1.3.2</p> <p>H 1.3.2. Does the wetland have an intermittent or permanent, and unvegetated stream within its boundaries, or along one side, over at least $\frac{1}{4}$ ac or 10% of its area? <i>Answer yes only if H 1.3.1 is No.</i></p> <p style="text-align: right;">Yes = 3 No = 0</p>	3	
<p>H 1.4. <u>Richness of plant species</u></p> <p>Count the number of plant species in the wetland that cover at least 10 ft^2. <i>Different patches of the same species can be combined to meet the size threshold. You do not have to name the species.</i></p> <p><i>Do not include Eurasian milfoil, reed canarygrass, purple loosestrife, Russian olive, Phragmites, Canadian thistle, yellow-flag iris, and saltcedar (Tamarisk)</i></p> <p># of species <u>8</u></p> <p style="text-align: right;">Scoring: > 9 species: points = 2 4-9 species: points = 1 < 4 species: points = 0</p>	1	
<p>H 1.5. <u>Interspersion of habitats</u></p> <p>Decide from the diagrams below whether interspersions among types of plant structures (described in H 1.1), and unvegetated areas (open water or mudflats) is high, moderate, low, or none.</p> <p><i>Use map of Cowardin and emergent plant classes prepared for questions H 1.1 and map of open water from H 1.3. If you have four or more plant classes or three classes and open water, the rating is always high.</i></p> <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-around; align-items: flex-end;"> <div style="text-align: center;">  <p>None = 0 points</p> </div> <div style="text-align: center;">  <p>Low = 1 point</p> </div> <div style="text-align: center;">  <p>Moderate = 2 points</p> </div> </div> <p>All three diagrams in this row are High = 3 points</p> <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-around; align-items: flex-end;">    </div> <p style="text-align: right;">Riparian braided channels with 2 classes</p>	Figure 1 2	

Wetland name or number O

H 1.6. Special habitat features <i>Check the habitat features that are present in the wetland. The number of checks is the number of points.</i> <input type="checkbox"/> Loose rocks larger than 4 in OR large, downed, woody debris (> 4 in diameter) within the area of surface ponding or in stream. <input type="checkbox"/> Cattails or bulrushes are present within the wetland. <input type="checkbox"/> Standing snags (diameter at the bottom > 4 in) in the wetland or within 30 m (100 ft) of the edge. <input type="checkbox"/> Emergent or shrub vegetation in areas that are permanently inundated/ponded. <input type="checkbox"/> Stable steep banks of fine material that might be used by beaver or muskrat for denning (> 45 degree slope) OR signs of recent beaver activity <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Invasive species cover less than 20% in each stratum of vegetation (<i>canopy, sub-canopy, shrubs, herbaceous, moss/ground cover</i>)		1
Total for H 1	Add the points in the boxes above	8

Rating of Site Potential If score is: 15-18 = H X 7-14 = M 0-6 = L Record the rating on the first page

H 2.0. Does the landscape have the potential to support habitat functions of the site?		
H 2.1. Accessible habitat (only area of habitat abutting wetland). If total accessible habitat is: <i>Calculate:</i> % undisturbed habitat <u> 0 </u> + [(% moderate and low intensity land uses)/2] <u> 7.5 </u> = <u> 7.5 </u> % > 1/3 (33.3%) of 1 km Polygon points = 3 20-33% of 1km Polygon points = 2 10-19% of 1km Polygon points = 1 <u><10% of 1km Polygon</u> points = 0		0
H 2.2. Undisturbed habitat in 1 km Polygon around wetland. <i>Calculate:</i> % undisturbed habitat <u> 0 </u> + [(% moderate and low intensity land uses)/2] <u> 18.1 </u> = <u> 18.1 </u> % Undisturbed habitat > 50% of Polygon points = 3 Undisturbed habitat 10 - 50% and in 1-3 patches points = 2 <u>Undisturbed habitat 10 - 50% and > 3 patches</u> points = 1 Undisturbed habitat < 10% of Polygon points = 0		1
H 2.3. Land use intensity in 1 km Polygon: <u>> 50% of Polygon is high intensity land use</u> points = (- 2) Does not meet criterion above points = 0		-2
H 2.4. The wetland is in an area where annual rainfall is less than 12 in, and its water regime is not influenced by irrigation practices, dams, or water control structures. Generally, this means outside boundaries of reclamation areas, irrigation districts, or reservoirs Hatchery is upstream Yes = 3 <u>No = 0</u>		0
Total for H 2	Add the points in the boxes above	-1

Rating of Landscape Potential If score is: 4-9 = H 1-3 = M X < 1 = L Record the rating on the first page

H 3.0. Is the habitat provided by the site valuable to society?		
H 3.1. Does the site provide habitat for species valued in laws, regulations, or policies? Choose the highest score that applies to the wetland being rated Site meets ANY of the following criteria: points = 2 — It has 3 or more priority habitats within 100 m (see Appendix B) — It provides habitat for Threatened or Endangered species (any plant or animal on state or federal lists) — It is mapped as a location for an individual WDFW species — It is a Wetland of High Conservation Value as determined by the Department of Natural Resources — It has been categorized as an important habitat site in a local or regional comprehensive plan, in a Shoreline Master Plan, or in a watershed plan <u>Site has 1 or 2 priority habitats within 100 m (see Appendix B)</u> points = 1 Site does not meet any of the criteria above points = 0		1

Rating of Value If score is: 2 = H X 1 = M 0 = L Record the rating on the first page

CATEGORIZATION BASED ON SPECIAL CHARACTERISTICS

Please determine if the wetland meets the attributes described below and circle the appropriate category. NOTE: A wetland may meet the criteria for more than one set of special characteristics. Record all those that apply. NOTE: All wetlands should also be characterized based on their functions.

Wetland Type	Category
<i>Check off any criteria that apply to the wetland. Circle the category when the appropriate criteria are met.</i>	
SC 1.0. Vernal pools Is the wetland less than 4000 ft² , and does it meet at least two of the following criteria? — Its only source of water is rainfall or snowmelt from a small contributing basin and has no groundwater input. — Wetland plants are typically present only in the spring; the summer vegetation is typically upland annuals. <i>If you find perennial, obligate, wetland plants, the wetland is probably NOT a vernal pool.</i> — The soil in the wetland is shallow [< 1 ft (30 cm) deep] and is underlain by an impermeable layer such as basalt or clay. — Surface water is present for less than 120 days during the wet season. <div style="text-align: right;">Yes – Go to SC 1.1 No = Not a vernal pool</div>	
SC 1.1. Is the vernal pool relatively undisturbed in February and March? <div style="text-align: right;">Yes – Go to SC 1.2 No = Not a vernal pool with special characteristics</div>	
SC 1.2. Is the vernal pool in an area where there are at least 3 separate aquatic resources within 0.5 mi (other wetlands, rivers, lakes etc.)? <div style="text-align: right;">Yes = Category II No = Category III</div>	Cat. II Cat. III
SC 2.0. Alkali wetlands Does the wetland meet one of the following criteria? — The wetland has a conductivity > 3.0 mS/cm. — The wetland has a conductivity between 2.0 and 3.0 mS, and more than 50% of the plant cover in the wetland can be classified as “alkali” species (see Table 4 for list of plants found in alkali systems). — If the wetland is dry at the time of your field visit, the central part of the area is covered with a layer of salt. OR does the wetland unit meet two of the following three sub-criteria? — Salt encrustations around more than 75% of the edge of the wetland — More than $\frac{3}{4}$ of the plant cover consists of species listed on Table 4 — A pH above 9.0. All alkali wetlands have a high pH, but please note that some freshwater wetlands may also have a high pH. Thus, pH alone is not a good indicator of alkali wetlands. <div style="text-align: right;">Yes = Category I No = Not an alkali wetland</div>	Cat. I
SC 3.0. Wetlands of High Conservation Value (WHCV) SC 3.1. Has the WA Department of Natural Resources updated their website to include the list of Wetlands of High Conservation Value? <div style="text-align: right;">Yes – Go to SC 3.2 No – Go to SC 3.3</div> SC 3.2. Is the wetland listed on the WDNR database as a Wetland of High Conservation Value? <div style="text-align: right;">Yes = Category I No = Not a WHCV</div> SC 3.3. Is the wetland in a Section/Township/Range that contains a Natural Heritage wetland? http://www1.dnr.wa.gov/nhp/refdesk/datasearch/wnhpwetlands.pdf <div style="text-align: right;">Yes – Contact WNHP/WDNR and go to SC 3.4 No = Not a WHCV</div> SC 3.4. Has WDNR identified the wetland within the S/T/R as a Wetland of High Conservation Value and it is listed on their website? <div style="text-align: right;">Yes = Category I No = Not a WHCV</div>	Cat. I

SC 4.0 Bogs and Calcareous Fens		
Does the wetland (or any part of the wetland unit) meet both the criteria for soils and vegetation in bogs or calcareous fens? <i>Use the key below to identify if the wetland is a bog or calcareous fen. If you answer yes you will still need to rate the wetland based on its functions.</i>		
SC 4.1. Does an area within the wetland have organic soil horizons (i.e., layers of organic soil), either peats or mucks, that compose 16 in or more of the first 32 in of the soil profile? <i>See Appendix C for a field key to identify organic soils.</i>	Yes – Go to SC 4.3 No – Go to SC 4.2	
SC 4.2. Does an area within the wetland have organic soils, either peats or mucks, that are less than 16 in deep over bedrock or an impermeable hardpan such as clay or volcanic ash, or that are floating on top of a lake or pond?	Yes – Go to SC 4.3 No = Is not a bog for rating	
SC 4.3. Does an area within the wetland have more than 70% cover of mosses at ground level AND at least 30% of the total plant cover consists of species in Table 5? NOTE: If you are uncertain about the extent of mosses in the understory, you may substitute that criterion by measuring the pH of the water that seeps into a hole dug at least 16 in deep. If the pH is less than 5.0 and the plant species in Table 5 are present, the wetland is a bog.	Yes = Category I bog No – Go to SC 4.4	
SC 4.4. Is an area with peats or mucks forested (> 30% cover) with subalpine fir, western red cedar, western hemlock, lodgepole pine, quaking aspen, Engelmann spruce, or western white pine, AND any of the species (or combination of species) listed in Table 5 provide more than 30% of the cover under the canopy?	Yes = Category I bog No – Go to SC 4.5	Cat. I
SC 4.5. Do the species listed in Table 6 comprise at least 20% of the total plant cover within an area of peats and mucks?	Yes = Is a Calcareous Fen for purpose of rating No – Go to SC 4.6	
SC 4.6. Do the species listed in Table 6 comprise at least 10% of the total plant cover in an area of peats and mucks, AND one of the two following conditions is met: — Marl deposits [calcium carbonate (CaCO ₃) precipitate] occur on the soil surface or plant stems — The pH of free water is ≥ 6.8 AND electrical conductivity is ≥ 200 uS/cm at multiple locations within the wetland	Yes = Is a Category I calcareous fen No = Is not a calcareous fen	Cat. I

SC 5.0. Forested Wetlands Does the wetland have an area of forest rooted within its boundary that meets at least one of the following three criteria? (<i>Continue only if you have identified that a forested class is present in question H 1.1</i>) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> — The wetland is within the 100 year floodplain of a river or stream — Aspen (<i>Populus tremuloides</i>) represents at least 20% of the total cover of woody species — There is at least ¼ ac of trees (even in wetlands smaller than 2.5 ac) that are “mature” or “old-growth” according to the definitions for these priority habitats developed by WDFW (<i>see definitions in question H3.1</i>) 		
Yes – Go to SC 5.1 No = Not a forested wetland with special characteristics		
SC 5.1. Does the wetland have a forest canopy where more than 50% of the tree species (by cover) are slow growing native trees (<i>see Table 7</i>)?	Yes = Category I No – Go to SC 5.2	Cat. I
SC 5.2. Does the wetland have areas where aspen (<i>Populus tremuloides</i>) represents at least 20% of the total cover of woody species?	Yes = Category I No – Go to SC 5.3	Cat. I
SC 5.3. Does the wetland have at least ¼ acre with a forest canopy where more than 50% of the tree species (by cover) are fast growing species (<i>see Table 7</i>)?	Yes = Category II No – Go to SC 5.4	Cat. II
SC 5.4. Is the forested component of the wetland within the 100 year floodplain of a river or stream?	Yes = Category II No = Not a forested wetland with special characteristics	Cat. II
Category of wetland based on Special Characteristics <i>Choose the highest rating if wetland falls into several categories</i> If you answered No for all types, enter “Not Applicable” on Summary Form		N/A

Appendix B: WDFW Priority Habitats in Eastern Washington

Priority habitats listed by WDFW (see complete descriptions of WDFW priority habitats, and the counties in which they can be found, in: Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife. 2008. Priority Habitat and Species List. Olympia, Washington. 177 pp. <http://wdfw.wa.gov/publications/00165/wdfw00165.pdf> or access the list from here: <http://wdfw.wa.gov/conservation/phs/list/>)

Count how many of the following priority habitats are within 330 ft (100 m) of the wetland: **NOTE:** *This question is independent of the land use between the wetland and the priority habitat.*

- **Aspen Stands:** Pure or mixed stands of aspen greater than 1 ac (0.4 ha).
- **Biodiversity Areas and Corridors:** Areas of habitat that are relatively important to various species of native fish and wildlife (*full descriptions in WDFW PHS report*).
- **Old-growth/Mature forests:** Old-growth east of Cascade crest – Stands are highly variable in tree species composition and structural characteristics due to the influence of fire, climate, and soils. In general, stands will be >150 years of age, with 10 trees/ac (25 trees/ha) that are > 21 in (53 cm) dbh, and 1-3 snags/ac (2.5-7.5 snags/ha) that are > 12-14 in (30-35 cm) diameter. Downed logs may vary from abundant to absent. Canopies may be single or multi-layered. Evidence of human-caused alterations to the stand will be absent or so slight as to not affect the ecosystem's essential structures and functions. Mature forests – Stands with average diameters exceeding 21 in (53 cm) dbh; crown cover may be less than 100%; decay, decadence, numbers of snags, and quantity of large downed material is generally less than that found in old-growth; 80-200 years old west and 80-160 years old east of the Cascade crest.
- **Oregon White Oak:** Woodland stands of pure oak or oak/conifer associations where canopy coverage of the oak component is important (*full descriptions in WDFW PHS report p. 158 – see web link above*).
- X **Riparian:** The area adjacent to aquatic systems with flowing water that contains elements of both aquatic and terrestrial ecosystems which mutually influence each other.
- X **Instream:** The combination of physical, biological, and chemical processes and conditions that interact to provide functional life history requirements for instream fish and wildlife resources.
- **Caves:** A naturally occurring cavity, recess, void, or system of interconnected passages under the earth in soils, rock, ice, or other geological formations and is large enough to contain a human.
- **Cliffs:** Greater than 25 ft (7.6 m) high and occurring below 5000 ft elevation.
- **Talus:** Homogenous areas of rock rubble ranging in average size 0.5 - 6.5 ft (0.15 - 2.0 m), composed of basalt, andesite, and/or sedimentary rock, including riprap slides and mine tailings. May be associated with cliffs.
- **Snags and Logs:** Trees are considered snags if they are dead or dying and exhibit sufficient decay characteristics to enable cavity excavation/use by wildlife. Priority snags have a diameter at breast height of > 12 in (30 cm) in eastern Washington and are > 6.5 ft (2 m) in height. Priority logs are > 12 in (30 cm) in diameter at the largest end, and > 20 ft (6 m) long.
- **Shrub-steppe:** A nonforested vegetation type consisting of one or more layers of perennial bunchgrasses and a conspicuous but discontinuous layer of shrubs (see Eastside Steppe for sites with little or no shrub cover).
- **Eastside Steppe:** Nonforested vegetation type dominated by broadleaf herbaceous flora (i.e., forbs), perennial bunchgrasses, or a combination of both. Bluebunch wheatgrass (*Pseudoroegneria spicata*) is often the prevailing cover component along with Idaho fescue (*Festuca idahoensis*), Sandberg bluegrass (*Poa secunda*), rough fescue (*F. campestris*), or needlegrasses (*Achnatherum* spp.).
- **Juniper Savannah:** All juniper woodlands.

Note: All vegetated wetlands are by definition a priority habitat but are not included in this list because they are addressed elsewhere.

Legend

- Streams
- Wetland Boundary
- 150ft Buffer

Cowardin Classification

- Emergent
- Scrub-Shrub

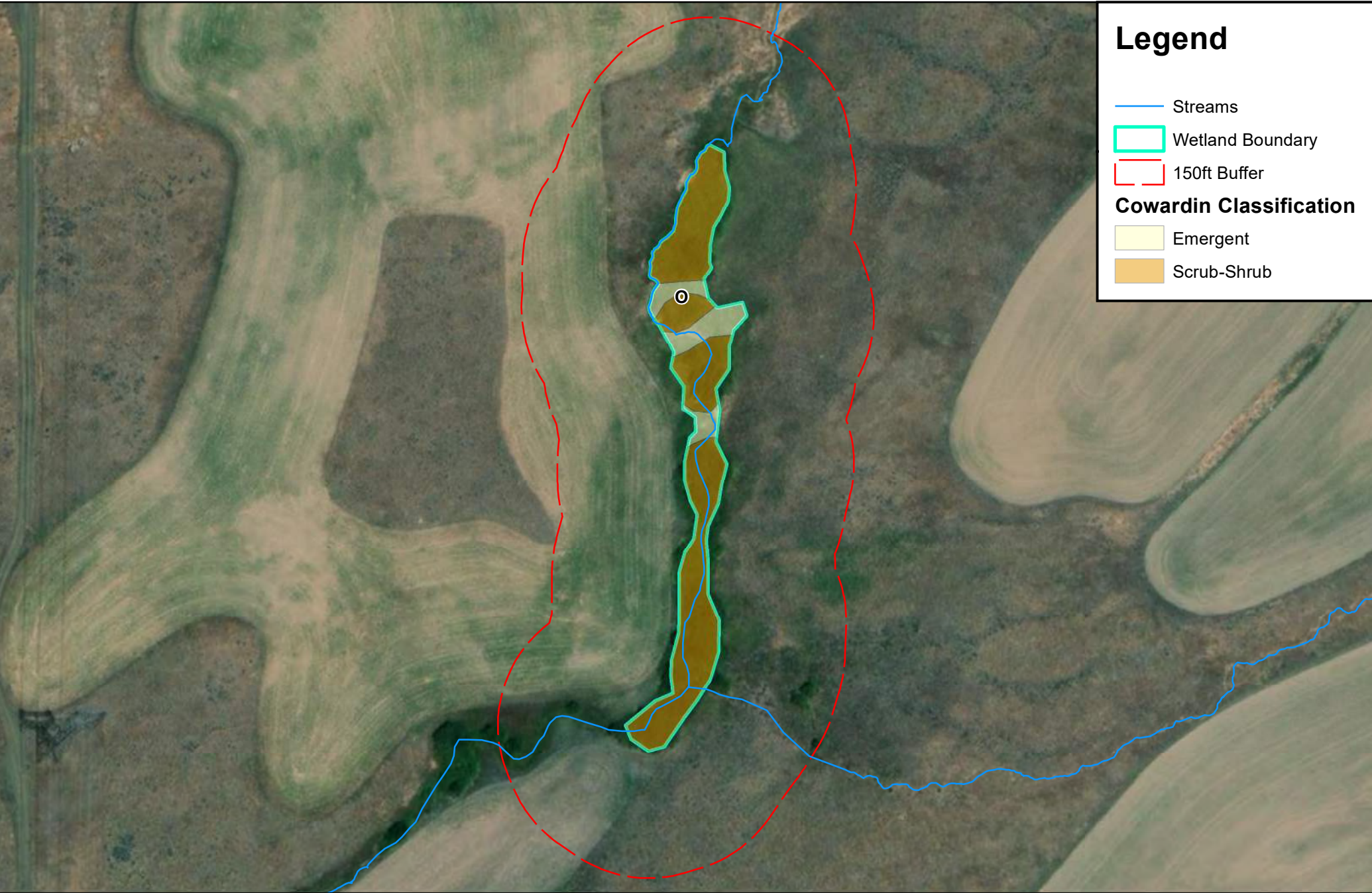


Figure 1. Wetland O Cowardin Classifications
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Legend

— Streams

□ Wetland Boundary

Hydroperiods

□ Occasionally Flooded or Inundated

■ Saturated Only

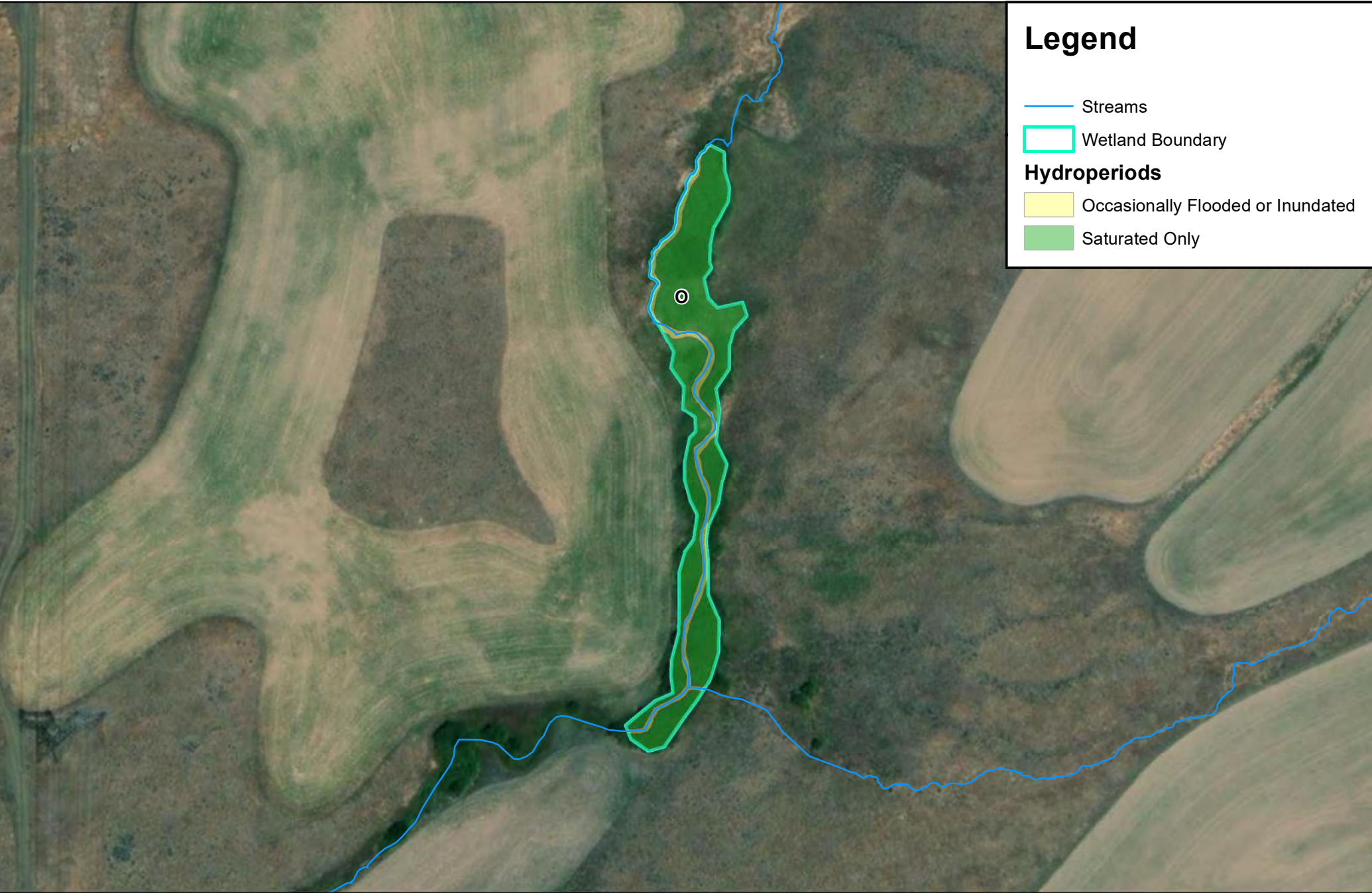
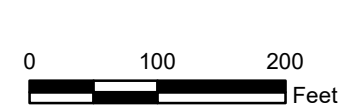


Figure 2. Wetland O Hydroperiods
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Legend

- Streams
- Wetlands
- Contributing Basin

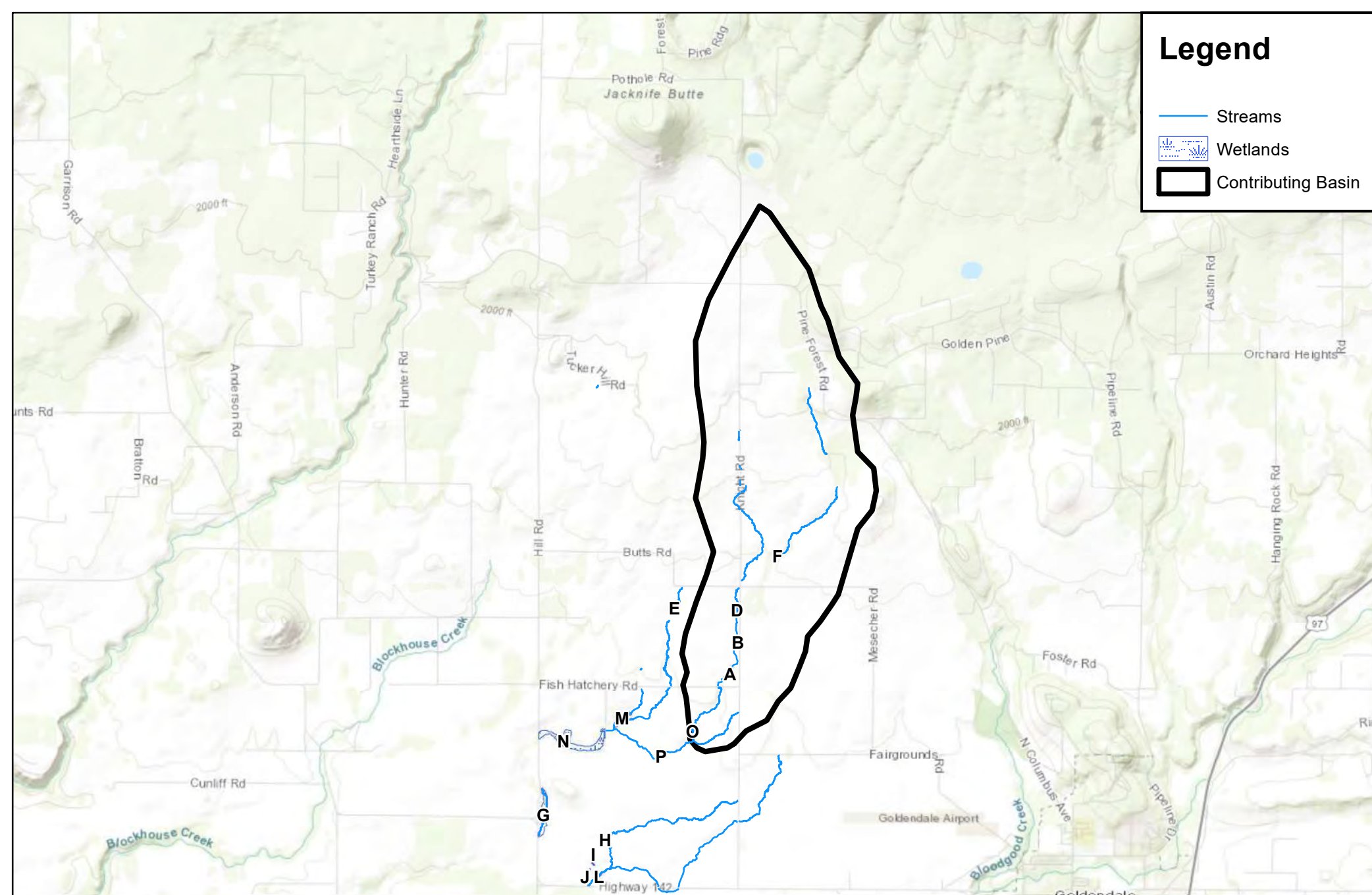
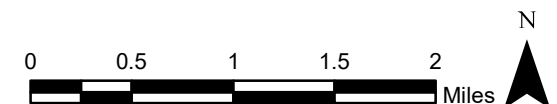


Figure 3. Wetland O Contributing Basin

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Legend

— WDNR Streams

Wetlands

Land Use Intensity

High

Low

Moderate

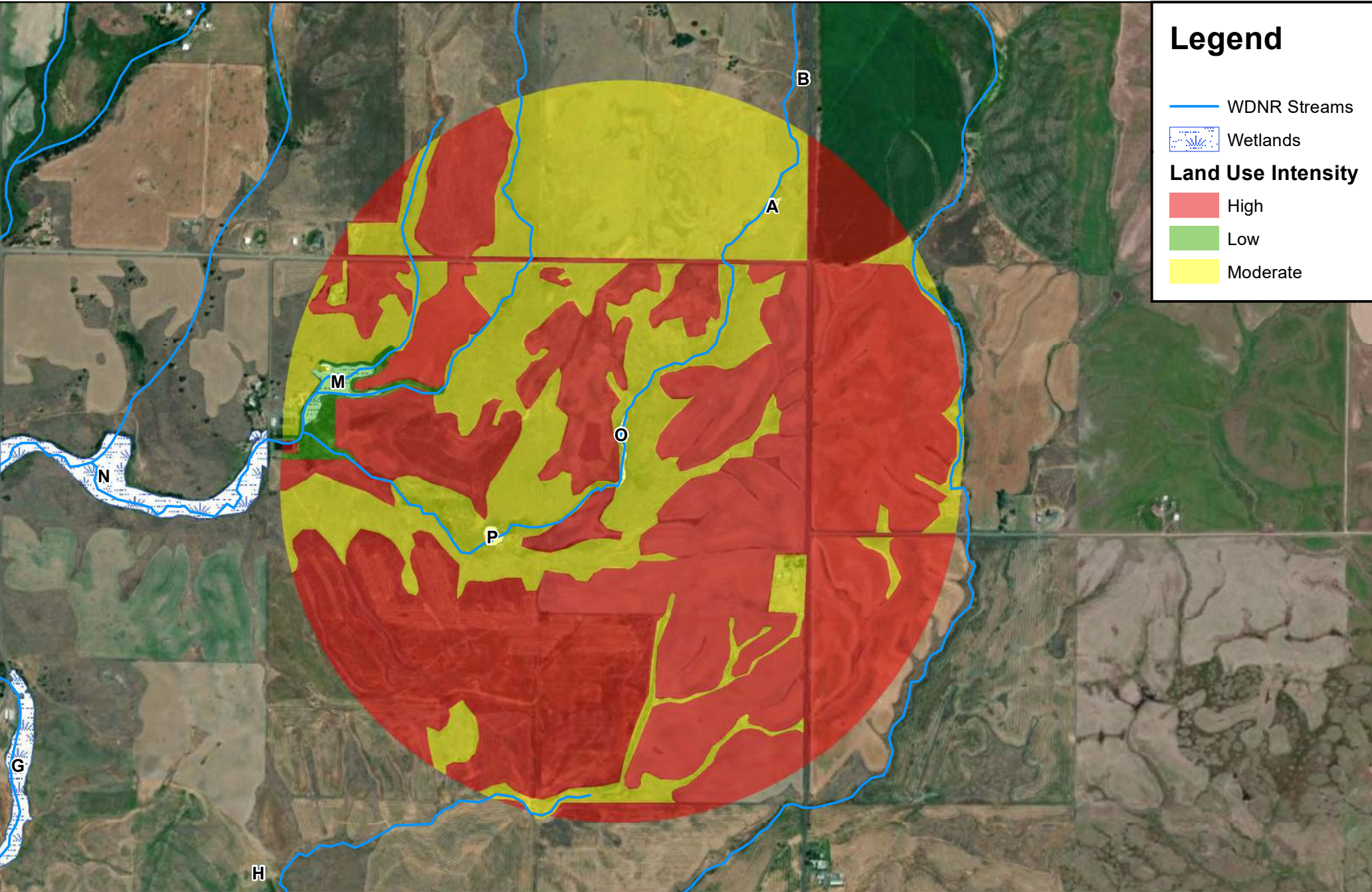
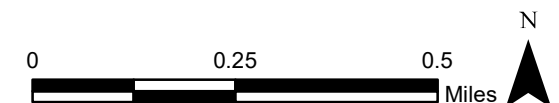


Figure 4. Wetland O Land Use and Habitat Map

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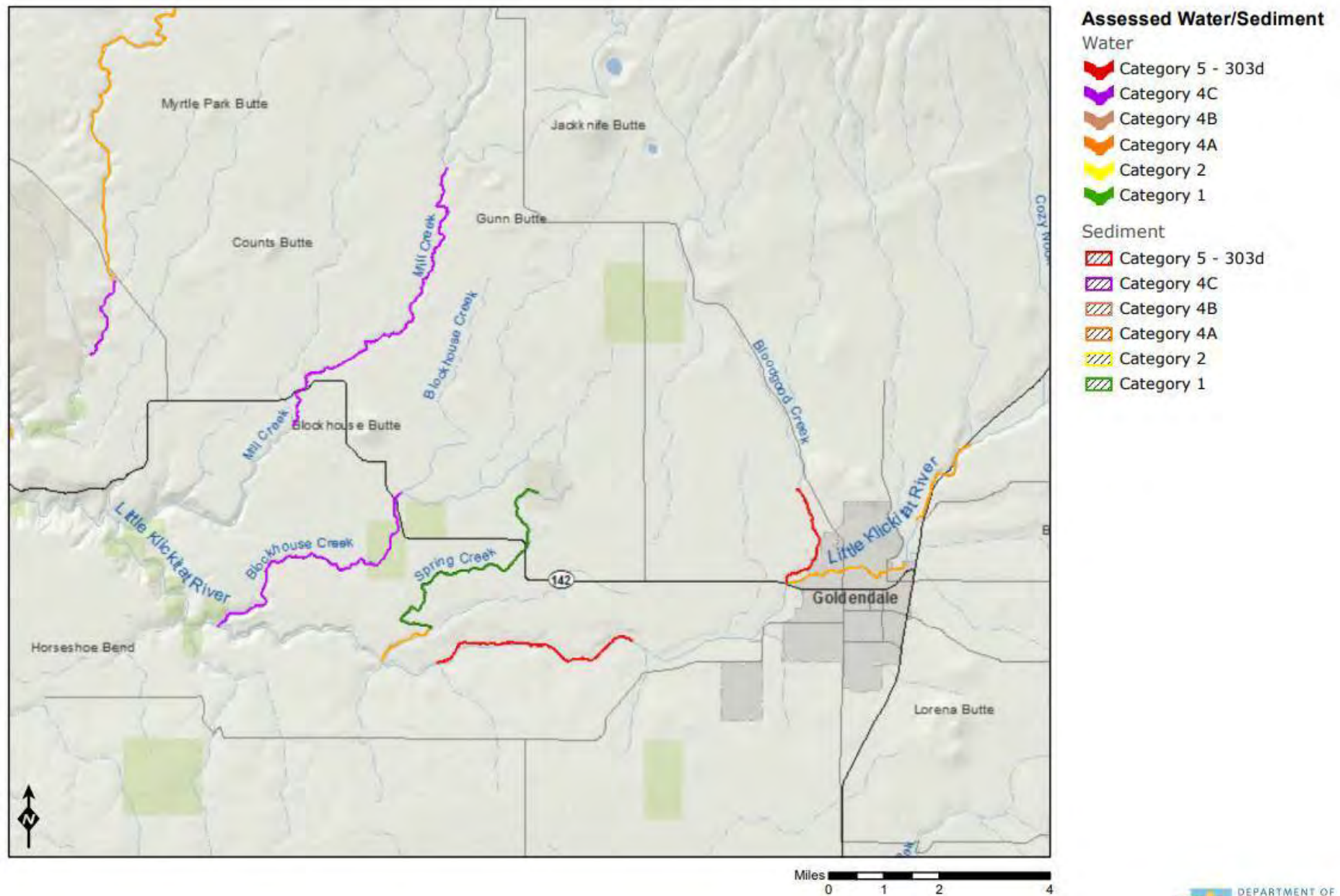


Figure 5. 303(d) Listed Waters in Little Klickitat River Basin (WRIA 30)

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Klickitat County

Ecology homepage > Water & Shorelines > Water improvement > Total Maximum Daily Load process > Directory of projects > Klickitat County

Water quality improvement projects

Select the waterbody or pollutant name to find more information about the specific project.

Waterbody Name(s)	Pollutant(s)	Status	Project Lead(s)
Little Klickitat River	BOD (5-day) Chlorine	EPA approved	Mark Peterschmidt 509-454-7843
Little Klickitat River Watershed	Temperature	EPA approved and Has an implementation plan	Mark Peterschmidt 509-454-7843

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Figure 6. TMDL's in Klickitat County (WRIA 29, 30, 31, and 37)

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Wetland name or number P

RATING SUMMARY – Eastern Washington

Name of wetland (or ID #): P Date of site visit: 7/24/2021

Rated by Brandon Stimac and Bridget Wojtala Trained by Ecology? ☒ Yes ☐ No Date of training Oct. 2020

HGM Class used for rating Depressional Wetland has multiple HGM classes? ☐ Y ☒ N

NOTE: Form is not complete without the figures requested (figures can be combined).

Source of base aerial photo/map ESRI

OVERALL WETLAND CATEGORY Cat. III (based on functions ☒ or special characteristics ☐)

1. Category of wetland based on FUNCTIONS

☐ **Category I** – Total score = 22-27

☐ **Category II** – Total score = 19-21

☒ **Category III** – Total score = 16-18

☐ **Category IV** – Total score = 9-15

FUNCTION	Improving Water Quality	Hydrologic	Habitat	
<i>Circle the appropriate ratings</i>				
Site Potential	H (M) L	H M (L)	H (M) L	
Landscape Potential	H (M) L	H (M) L	H M (L)	
Value	(H) M L	H M (L)	H (M) L	TOTAL
Score Based on Ratings	7	4	5	16

**Score for each
function based
on three
ratings
(order of ratings
is not
important)**

9 = H,H,H

8 = H,H,M

7 = H,H,L

7 = H,M,M

6 = H,M,L

6 = M,M,M

5 = H,L,L

5 = M,M,L

4 = M,L,L

3 = L,L,L

2. Category based on SPECIAL CHARACTERISTICS of wetland

CHARACTERISTIC	CATEGORY <i>Circle the appropriate category</i>
Vernal Pools	II III
Alkali	I
Wetland of High Conservation Value	I
Bog and Calcareous Fens	I
Old Growth or Mature Forest – slow growing	I
Aspen Forest	I
Old Growth or Mature Forest – fast growing	II
Floodplain forest	II
None of the above	X

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Maps and figures required to answer questions correctly for Eastern Washington Depressional Wetlands

Map of:	To answer questions:	Figure #
Cowardin plant classes and classes of emergents	D 1.3, H 1.1, H 1.5	1
Hydroperiods (including area of open water for H 1.3)	D 1.4, H 1.2, H 1.3	2
Location of outlet (<i>can be added to map of hydroperiods</i>)	D 1.1, D 4.1	2
Boundary of area within 150 ft of the wetland (<i>can be added to another figure</i>)	D 2.2, D 5.2	1
Map of the contributing basin	D 5.3	3
1 km Polygon: Area that extends 1 km from entire wetland edge - including polygons for accessible habitat and undisturbed habitat	H 2.1, H 2.2, H 2.3	4
Screen capture of map of 303(d) listed waters in basin (from Ecology website)	D 3.1, D 3.2	5
Screen capture of list of TMDLs for WRIA in which wetland is found (website)	D 3.3	6

Riverine Wetlands

Map of:	To answer questions:	Figure #
Cowardin plant classes and classes of emergents	H 1.1, H 1.5	
Hydroperiods	H 1.2, H 1.3	
Ponded depressions	R 1.1	
Boundary of area within 150 ft of the wetland (<i>can be added to another figure</i>)	R 2.4	
Map of the contributing basin	R 2.2, R 2.3, R 5.2	
Plant cover of trees, shrubs, and herbaceous plants	R 1.2, R 4.2	
Width of wetland vs. width of stream (<i>can be added to another figure</i>)	R 4.1	
1 km Polygon: Area that extends 1 km from entire wetland edge - including polygons for accessible habitat and undisturbed habitat	H 2.1, H 2.2, H 2.3	
Screen capture of map of 303(d) listed waters in basin (from Ecology website)	R 3.1	
Screen capture of list of TMDLs for WRIA in which wetland is found (website)	R 3.2, R 3.3	

Lake Fringe Wetlands

Map of:	To answer questions:	Figure #
Cowardin plant classes and classes of emergents	L 1.1, L 4.1, H 1.1, H 1.5	
Plant cover of trees, shrubs, and herbaceous plants	L 1.2	
Boundary of area within 150 ft of the wetland (<i>can be added to another figure</i>)	L 2.2	
1 km Polygon: Area that extends 1 km from entire wetland edge - including polygons for accessible habitat and undisturbed habitat	H 2.1, H 2.2, H 2.3	
Screen capture of map of 303(d) listed waters in basin (from Ecology website)	L 3.1, L 3.2	
Screen capture of list of TMDLs for WRIA in which wetland is found (website)	L 3.3	

Slope Wetlands

Map of:	To answer questions:	Figure #
Cowardin plant classes and classes of emergents	H 1.1, H 1.5	
Hydroperiods	H 1.2, H 1.3	
Plant cover of dense trees, shrubs, and herbaceous plants	S 1.3	
Plant cover of dense, rigid trees, shrubs, and herbaceous plants (<i>can be added to figure above</i>)	S 4.1	
Boundary of area within 150 ft of the wetland (<i>can be added to another figure</i>)	S 2.1, S 5.1	
1 km Polygon: Area that extends 1 km from entire wetland edge - including polygons for accessible habitat and undisturbed habitat	H 2.1, H 2.2, H 2.3	
Screen capture of map of 303(d) listed waters in basin (from Ecology website)	S 3.1, S 3.2	
Screen capture of list of TMDLs for WRIA in which wetland is found (website)	S 3.3	

HGM Classification of Wetland in Eastern Washington

For questions 1-4, the criteria described must apply to the entire unit being rated.

If the hydrologic criteria listed in each question do not apply to the entire unit being rated, you probably have a unit with multiple HGM classes. In this case, identify which hydrologic criteria in questions 1-4 apply, and go to Question 5.

1. Does the entire unit **meet both** of the following criteria?

☐ The vegetated part of the wetland is on the water side of the Ordinary High Water Mark of a body of permanent open water (without any plants on the surface) that is at least 20 ac (8 ha) in size
☐ At least 30% of the open water area is deeper than 10 ft (3 m)

NO - go to 2

YES - The wetland class is **Lake Fringe** (Lacustrine Fringe)

2. Does the entire wetland unit **meet all** of the following criteria?

☐ The wetland is on a slope (*slope can be very gradual*),
☐ The water flows through the wetland in one direction (unidirectional) and usually comes from seeps. It may flow subsurface, as sheetflow, or in a swale without distinct banks;
☐ The water leaves the wetland **without being impounded**.

NO - go to 3

YES - The wetland class is **Slope**

NOTE: Surface water does not pond in these type of wetlands except occasionally in very small and shallow depressions or behind hummocks (depressions are usually <3 ft diameter and less than 1 foot deep).

3. Does the entire wetland unit **meet all** of the following criteria?

☐ The unit is in a valley, or stream channel, where it gets inundated by overbank flooding from that stream or river;
☐ The overbank flooding occurs at least once every 10 years.

NO - go to 4

YES - The wetland class is **Riverine**

NOTE: The Riverine wetland can contain depressions that are filled with water when the river is not flooding.

4. Is the entire wetland unit in a topographic depression in which water ponds, or is saturated to the surface, at some time during the year. *This means that any outlet, if present, is higher than the interior of the wetland.*

NO - go to 5

YES - The wetland class is **Depressional**

5. Your wetland unit seems to be difficult to classify and probably contains several different HGM classes. For example, seeps at the base of a slope may grade into a riverine floodplain, or a small stream within a Depressional wetland has a zone of flooding along its sides. **GO BACK AND IDENTIFY WHICH OF THE HYDROLOGIC REGIMES DESCRIBED IN QUESTIONS 1-4 APPLY TO DIFFERENT AREAS IN THE WETLAND UNIT** (make a rough sketch to help you decide). Use the following table to identify the appropriate class to use for the rating system if you have several HGM classes present within the wetland unit being scored.

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NOTE: Use this table only if the class that is recommended in the second column represents 10% or more of the total area of the wetland unit being rated. If the area of the HGM class listed in column 2 is less than 10% of the wetland unit; classify the wetland using the class that represents more than 90% of the total area.

HGM classes within the wetland unit being rated	HGM Class to use in rating
Slope + Riverine	Riverine
Slope + Depressional	Depressional
Slope + Lake Fringe	Lake Fringe
Depressional + Riverine (the riverine portion is within the boundary of depression)	Depressional
Depressional + Lake Fringe	Depressional
Riverine + Lake Fringe	Riverine

*If you are still unable to determine which of the above criteria apply to your wetland, or if you have **more than 2 HGM classes** within a wetland boundary, classify the wetland as Depressional for the rating.*

Wetland name or number P

DEPRESSIONAL WETLANDS

Water Quality Functions - Indicators that the site functions to improve water quality

Points
(only 1
score per
box)

D 1.0. Does the site have the potential to improve water quality?

D 1.1. Characteristics of surface water outflows from the wetland:

Wetland has no surface water outlet

points = 5

Wetland has an intermittently flowing outlet

points = 3

Wetland has a highly constricted permanently flowing outlet

points = 3

Wetland has a permanently flowing, unconstricted, surface outlet

points = 1

3

D 1.2. The soil 2 in below the surface (or duff layer) is true clay or true organic (use NRCS definitions of soils)

YES = 3 NO = 0

0

D 1.3. Characteristics of persistent vegetation (Emergent, Scrub-shrub, and/or Forested Cowardin classes)

Wetland has persistent, ungrazed, vegetation for > 2/3 of area

points = 5

Wetland has persistent, ungrazed, vegetation from 1/3 to 2/3 of area

points = 3

Wetland has persistent, ungrazed vegetation from 1/10 to < 1/3 of area

points = 1

Wetland has persistent, ungrazed vegetation < 1/10 of area

points = 0

3

D 1.4. Characteristics of seasonal ponding or inundation:

This is the area of ponding that fluctuates every year. Do not count the area that is permanently ponded.

Area seasonally ponded is > 1/2 total area of wetland

points = 3

Area seasonally ponded is 1/4 - 1/2 total area of wetland

points = 1

Area seasonally ponded is < 1/4 total area of wetland

points = 0

0

Total for D 1

Add the points in the boxes above

6

Rating of Site Potential If score is: 12- 16 = H X 6- 11 = M 0- 5 = L

Record the rating on the first page

D 2.0. Does the landscape have the potential to support the water quality function of the site?

D 2.1. Does the wetland receive stormwater discharges?

Yes = 1 No = 0

0

D 2.2. Is > 10% of the area within 150 ft of the wetland in land uses that generate pollutants?

Yes = 1 No = 0

1

D 2.3. Are there septic systems within 250 ft of the wetland?

Yes = 1 No = 0

0

D 2.4. Are there other sources of pollutants coming into the wetland that are not listed in questions

D 2.1- D 2.3? Source _____

Yes = 1 No = 0

0

Total for D 2

Add the points in the boxes above

1

Rating of Landscape Potential If score is: 3 or 4 = H X 1 or 2 = M 0 = L

Record the rating on the first page

D 3.0. Is the water quality improvement provided by the site valuable to society?

D 3.1. Does the wetland discharge directly (i.e., within 1 mi) to a stream, river, or lake that is on the 303(d) list?

Yes = 1 No = 0

0

D 3.2. Is the wetland in a basin or sub-basin where water quality is an issue in some aquatic resource [303(d) list, eutrophic lakes, problems with nuisance and toxic algae]?

Yes = 1 No = 0

1

D 3.3. Has the site been identified in a watershed or local plan as important for maintaining water quality (answer YES if there is a TMDL for the drainage or basin in which the wetland is found)?

Yes = 2 No = 0

2

Total for D 3

Add the points in the boxes above

3

Rating of Value If score is: X 2-4 = H 1 = M 0 = L

Record the rating on the first page

Wetland name or number P

DEPRESSIONAL WETLANDS

Points
(only 1 score
per box)

Hydrologic Functions - Indicators that the site functions to reduce flooding and erosion.

D 4.0. Does the site have the potential to reduce flooding and erosion?

D 4.1. Characteristics of surface water outflows from the wetland:

Wetland has no surface water outlet

points = 8

Wetland has an intermittently flowing outlet

points = 4

Wetland has a highly constricted permanently flowing outlet

points = 4

Wetland has a permanently flowing unconfined surface outlet

points = 0

(If outlet is a ditch and not permanently flowing treat wetland as "intermittently flowing")

4

D 4.2. Depth of storage during wet periods: Estimate the height of ponding above the bottom of the outlet. For wetlands with no outlet, measure from the surface of permanent water or deepest part (if dry).

Seasonal ponding: > 3 ft above the lowest point in wetland or the surface of permanent ponding points = 8

Seasonal ponding: 2 ft - < 3 ft above the lowest point in wetland or the surface of permanent ponding points = 6

The wetland is a headwater wetland points = 4

Seasonal ponding: 1 ft - < 2 ft points = 4

Seasonal ponding: 6 in - < 1 ft points = 2

Seasonal ponding: < 6 in or wetland has only saturated soils points = 0

0

Total for D 4

Add the points in the boxes above

4

Rating of Site Potential If score is: 12-16 = H 6-11 = M X 0-5 = L

Record the rating on the first page

D 5.0. Does the landscape have the potential to support the hydrologic functions of the site?

D 5.1. Does the wetland receive stormwater discharges?

Yes = 1 No = 0

0

D 5.2. Is > 10% of the area within 150 ft of the wetland in a land use that generates runoff?

Yes = 1 No = 0

1

D 5.3. Is more than 25% of the contributing basin of the wetland covered with intensive human land uses?

Yes = 1 No = 0

1

Total for D 5

Add the points in the boxes above

2

Rating of Landscape Potential If score is: 3 = H X 1 or 2 = M 0 = L

Record the rating on the first page

D 6.0. Are the hydrologic functions provided by the site valuable to society?

D 6.1. The wetland is in a landscape that has flooding problems.

Choose the description that best matches conditions around the wetland being rated. Do not add points.

Choose the highest score if more than one condition is met.

The wetland captures surface water that would otherwise flow down-gradient into areas where flooding has damaged human or natural resources (e.g., houses or salmon redds), AND

Flooding occurs in sub-basin that is immediately down-gradient of wetland

points = 2

Surface flooding problems are in a sub-basin farther down-gradient

points = 1

The existing or potential outflow from the wetland is so constrained by human or natural conditions that the water stored by the wetland cannot reach areas that flood.

0

Explain why The wetland stores very little water in the watershed.

points = 0

There are no problems with flooding downstream of the wetland

points = 0

D 6.2. Has the site has been identified as important for flood storage or flood conveyance in a regional flood control plan?

Yes = 2 No = 0

0

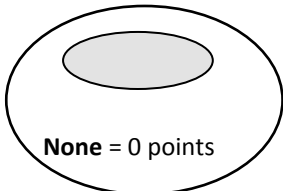
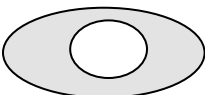

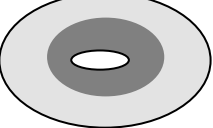
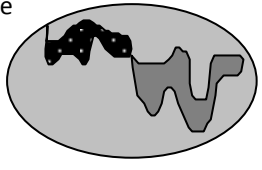
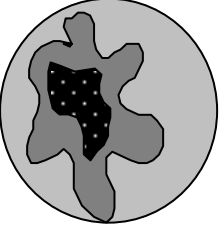
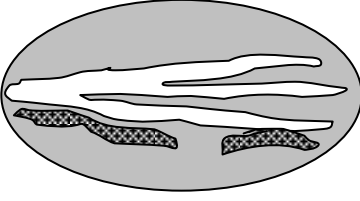
Total for D 6

Add the points in the boxes above

0

Rating of Value If score is: 2-4 = H 1 = M X 0 = L

Record the rating on the first page

These questions apply to wetlands of all HGM classes.		(only 1 score per box)
HABITAT FUNCTIONS - Indicators that site functions to provide important habitat		
H 1.0. Does the wetland have the potential to provide habitat for many species?		
<p>H 1.1. Structure of the plant community: <i>Check the Cowardin vegetation classes present and categories of emergent plants. Size threshold for each category is $\geq \frac{1}{4}$ ac or $\geq 10\%$ of the wetland if wetland is < 2.5 ac.</i></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Aquatic bed</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Emergent plants 0-12 in (0-30 cm) high are the highest layer and have $> 30\%$ cover</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Emergent plants >12-40 in (>30-100 cm) high are the highest layer with $>30\%$ cover</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Emergent plants > 40 in (> 100 cm) high are the highest layer with $>30\%$ cover</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Scrub-shrub (areas where shrubs have $>30\%$ cover)</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Forested (areas where trees have $>30\%$ cover)</p> <p style="text-align: right;">4 or more checks: points = 3 3 checks: points = 2 2 checks: points = 1 1 check: points = 0</p>	1	
H 1.2. Is one of the vegetation types Aquatic Bed?	Yes = 1 No = 0	1
<p>H 1.3. <u>Surface water</u></p> <p>H 1.3.1. Does the wetland have areas of open water (without emergent or shrub plants) over at least $\frac{1}{4}$ ac OR 10% of its area during the March to early June OR in August to the end of September? <i>Answer YES for Lake Fringe wetlands.</i></p> <p style="text-align: right;">Yes = 3 points & go to H 1.4 No = go to H 1.3.2</p> <p>H 1.3.2. Does the wetland have an intermittent or permanent, and unvegetated stream within its boundaries, or along one side, over at least $\frac{1}{4}$ ac or 10% of its area? <i>Answer yes only if H 1.3.1 is No.</i></p> <p style="text-align: right;">Yes = 3 No = 0</p>	3	
<p>H 1.4. <u>Richness of plant species</u></p> <p>Count the number of plant species in the wetland that cover at least 10 ft^2. <i>Different patches of the same species can be combined to meet the size threshold. You do not have to name the species.</i></p> <p><i>Do not include Eurasian milfoil, reed canarygrass, purple loosestrife, Russian olive, Phragmites, Canadian thistle, yellow-flag iris, and saltcedar (Tamarisk)</i></p> <p># of species <u>7</u></p> <p style="text-align: right;">Scoring: > 9 species: points = 2 4-9 species: points = 1 < 4 species: points = 0</p>	1	
<p>H 1.5. <u>Interspersion of habitats</u></p> <p>Decide from the diagrams below whether interspersions among types of plant structures (described in H 1.1), and unvegetated areas (open water or mudflats) is high, moderate, low, or none.</p> <p><i>Use map of Cowardin and emergent plant classes prepared for questions H 1.1 and map of open water from H 1.3. If you have four or more plant classes or three classes and open water, the rating is always high.</i></p> <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-around; align-items: flex-end;"> <div style="text-align: center;">  <p>None = 0 points</p> </div> <div style="text-align: center;">  <p>Low = 1 point</p> </div> <div style="text-align: center;">  <p>Moderate = 2 points</p> </div> <div style="text-align: center;">  </div> </div> <p style="margin-top: 20px;">All three diagrams in this row are High = 3 points</p> <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-around; align-items: flex-end;">    </div> <p style="text-align: right; margin-top: 10px;">Riparian braided channels with 2 classes</p>		Figure 1 0

Wetland name or number P

H 1.6. Special habitat features <i>Check the habitat features that are present in the wetland. The number of checks is the number of points.</i> ___ Loose rocks larger than 4 in OR large, downed, woody debris (> 4 in diameter) within the area of surface ponding or in stream. ___ Cattails or bulrushes are present within the wetland. ___ Standing snags (diameter at the bottom > 4 in) in the wetland or within 30 m (100 ft) of the edge. ___ Emergent or shrub vegetation in areas that are permanently inundated/ponded. ___ Stable steep banks of fine material that might be used by beaver or muskrat for denning (> 45 degree slope) OR signs of recent beaver activity <u>X</u> Invasive species cover less than 20% in each stratum of vegetation (<i>canopy, sub-canopy, shrubs, herbaceous, moss/ground cover</i>)		1
Total for H 1	Add the points in the boxes above	7

Rating of Site Potential If score is: 15-18 = H X 7-14 = M 0-6 = L Record the rating on the first page

H 2.0. Does the landscape have the potential to support habitat functions of the site?		
H 2.1. Accessible habitat (only area of habitat abutting wetland). If total accessible habitat is: <i>Calculate:</i> % undisturbed habitat <u>0</u> + [(% moderate and low intensity land uses)/2] <u>7.5</u> = <u>7.5</u> % > 1/3 (33.3%) of 1 km Polygon points = 3 20-33% of 1km Polygon points = 2 10-19% of 1km Polygon points = 1 <u><10% of 1km Polygon</u> points = 0		0
H 2.2. Undisturbed habitat in 1 km Polygon around wetland. <i>Calculate:</i> % undisturbed habitat <u>0</u> + [(% moderate and low intensity land uses)/2] <u>18.1</u> = <u>18.1</u> % Undisturbed habitat > 50% of Polygon points = 3 Undisturbed habitat 10 - 50% and in 1-3 patches points = 2 <u>Undisturbed habitat 10 - 50% and > 3 patches</u> points = 1 Undisturbed habitat < 10% of Polygon points = 0		1
H 2.3. Land use intensity in 1 km Polygon: <u>> 50% of Polygon is high intensity land use</u> points = (- 2) Does not meet criterion above points = 0		-2
H 2.4. The wetland is in an area where annual rainfall is less than 12 in, and its water regime is not influenced by irrigation practices, dams, or water control structures. Generally, this means outside boundaries of reclamation areas, irrigation districts, or reservoirs Yes = 3 <u>No = 0</u>		0
Total for H 2	Add the points in the boxes above	-1

Rating of Landscape Potential If score is: 4-9 = H 1-3 = M X < 1 = L Record the rating on the first page

H 3.0. Is the habitat provided by the site valuable to society?		
H 3.1. Does the site provide habitat for species valued in laws, regulations, or policies? Choose the highest score that applies to the wetland being rated Site meets ANY of the following criteria: points = 2 — It has 3 or more priority habitats within 100 m (see Appendix B) — It provides habitat for Threatened or Endangered species (any plant or animal on state or federal lists) — It is mapped as a location for an individual WDFW species — It is a Wetland of High Conservation Value as determined by the Department of Natural Resources — It has been categorized as an important habitat site in a local or regional comprehensive plan, in a Shoreline Master Plan, or in a watershed plan <u>Site has 1 or 2 priority habitats within 100 m (see Appendix B)</u> points = 1 Site does not meet any of the criteria above points = 0		1

Rating of Value If score is: 2 = H X 1 = M 0 = L Record the rating on the first page

CATEGORIZATION BASED ON SPECIAL CHARACTERISTICS

Please determine if the wetland meets the attributes described below and circle the appropriate category. NOTE: A wetland may meet the criteria for more than one set of special characteristics. Record all those that apply. NOTE: All wetlands should also be characterized based on their functions.

Wetland Type <i>Check off any criteria that apply to the wetland. Circle the category when the appropriate criteria are met.</i>	Category
SC 1.0. Vernal pools Is the wetland less than 4000 ft² , and does it meet at least two of the following criteria? — Its only source of water is rainfall or snowmelt from a small contributing basin and has no groundwater input. — Wetland plants are typically present only in the spring; the summer vegetation is typically upland annuals. <i>If you find perennial, obligate, wetland plants, the wetland is probably NOT a vernal pool.</i> — The soil in the wetland is shallow [< 1 ft (30 cm) deep] and is underlain by an impermeable layer such as basalt or clay. — Surface water is present for less than 120 days during the wet season. Yes – Go to SC 1.1 No = Not a vernal pool SC 1.1. Is the vernal pool relatively undisturbed in February and March? Yes – Go to SC 1.2 No = Not a vernal pool with special characteristics	
SC 1.2. Is the vernal pool in an area where there are at least 3 separate aquatic resources within 0.5 mi (other wetlands, rivers, lakes etc.)? Yes = Category II No = Category III	Cat. II Cat. III
SC 2.0. Alkali wetlands Does the wetland meet one of the following criteria? — The wetland has a conductivity > 3.0 mS/cm. — The wetland has a conductivity between 2.0 and 3.0 mS, and more than 50% of the plant cover in the wetland can be classified as “alkali” species (see Table 4 for list of plants found in alkali systems). — If the wetland is dry at the time of your field visit, the central part of the area is covered with a layer of salt. OR does the wetland unit meet two of the following three sub-criteria? — Salt encrustations around more than 75% of the edge of the wetland — More than $\frac{3}{4}$ of the plant cover consists of species listed on Table 4 — A pH above 9.0. All alkali wetlands have a high pH, but please note that some freshwater wetlands may also have a high pH. Thus, pH alone is not a good indicator of alkali wetlands. Yes = Category I No = Not an alkali wetland	Cat. I
SC 3.0. Wetlands of High Conservation Value (WHCV) SC 3.1. Has the WA Department of Natural Resources updated their website to include the list of Wetlands of High Conservation Value? Yes – Go to SC 3.2 No – Go to SC 3.3 SC 3.2. Is the wetland listed on the WDNR database as a Wetland of High Conservation Value? Yes = Category I No = Not a WHCV SC 3.3. Is the wetland in a Section/Township/Range that contains a Natural Heritage wetland? http://www1.dnr.wa.gov/nhp/refdesk/datasearch/wnhpwetlands.pdf Yes – Contact WNHP/WDNR and go to SC 3.4 No = Not a WHCV SC 3.4. Has WDNR identified the wetland within the S/T/R as a Wetland of High Conservation Value and it is listed on their website? Yes = Category I No = Not a WHCV	Cat. I

SC 4.0 Bogs and Calcareous Fens Does the wetland (or any part of the wetland unit) meet both the criteria for soils and vegetation in bogs or calcareous fens? <i>Use the key below to identify if the wetland is a bog or calcareous fen. If you answer yes you will still need to rate the wetland based on its functions.</i>		
SC 4.1. Does an area within the wetland have organic soil horizons (i.e., layers of organic soil), either peats or mucks, that compose 16 in or more of the first 32 in of the soil profile? <i>See Appendix C for a field key to identify organic soils.</i>	Yes – Go to SC 4.3 No – Go to SC 4.2	
SC 4.2. Does an area within the wetland have organic soils, either peats or mucks, that are less than 16 in deep over bedrock or an impermeable hardpan such as clay or volcanic ash, or that are floating on top of a lake or pond?	Yes – Go to SC 4.3 No = Is not a bog for rating	
SC 4.3. Does an area within the wetland have more than 70% cover of mosses at ground level AND at least 30% of the total plant cover consists of species in Table 5? NOTE: If you are uncertain about the extent of mosses in the understory, you may substitute that criterion by measuring the pH of the water that seeps into a hole dug at least 16 in deep. If the pH is less than 5.0 and the plant species in Table 5 are present, the wetland is a bog.	Yes = Category I bog No – Go to SC 4.4	
SC 4.4. Is an area with peats or mucks forested (> 30% cover) with subalpine fir, western red cedar, western hemlock, lodgepole pine, quaking aspen, Engelmann spruce, or western white pine, AND any of the species (or combination of species) listed in Table 5 provide more than 30% of the cover under the canopy?	Yes = Category I bog No – Go to SC 4.5	Cat. I
SC 4.5. Do the species listed in Table 6 comprise at least 20% of the total plant cover within an area of peats and mucks?	Yes = Is a Calcareous Fen for purpose of rating No – Go to SC 4.6	
SC 4.6. Do the species listed in Table 6 comprise at least 10% of the total plant cover in an area of peats and mucks, AND one of the two following conditions is met: — Marl deposits [calcium carbonate (CaCO ₃) precipitate] occur on the soil surface or plant stems — The pH of free water is ≥ 6.8 AND electrical conductivity is ≥ 200 uS/cm at multiple locations within the wetland	Yes = Is a Category I calcareous fen No = Is not a calcareous fen	Cat. I
SC 5.0. Forested Wetlands Does the wetland have an area of forest rooted within its boundary that meets at least one of the following three criteria? <i>(Continue only if you have identified that a forested class is present in question H 1.1)</i> — The wetland is within the 100 year floodplain of a river or stream — Aspen (<i>Populus tremuloides</i>) represents at least 20% of the total cover of woody species — There is at least ¼ ac of trees (even in wetlands smaller than 2.5 ac) that are “mature” or “old-growth” according to the definitions for these priority habitats developed by WDFW <i>(see definitions in question H3.1)</i>		
Yes – Go to SC 5.1 No = Not a forested wetland with special characteristics		
SC 5.1. Does the wetland have a forest canopy where more than 50% of the tree species (by cover) are slow growing native trees <i>(see Table 7)?</i>	Yes = Category I No – Go to SC 5.2	Cat. I
SC 5.2. Does the wetland have areas where aspen (<i>Populus tremuloides</i>) represents at least 20% of the total cover of woody species?	Yes = Category I No – Go to SC 5.3	Cat. I
SC 5.3. Does the wetland have at least ¼ acre with a forest canopy where more than 50% of the tree species (by cover) are fast growing species <i>(see Table 7)?</i>	Yes = Category II No – Go to SC 5.4	Cat. II
SC 5.4. Is the forested component of the wetland within the 100 year floodplain of a river or stream?	Yes = Category II No = Not a forested wetland with special characteristics	Cat. II
Category of wetland based on Special Characteristics Choose the highest rating if wetland falls into several categories If you answered No for all types, enter “Not Applicable” on Summary Form		N/A

Appendix B: WDFW Priority Habitats in Eastern Washington

Priority habitats listed by WDFW (see complete descriptions of WDFW priority habitats, and the counties in which they can be found, in: Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife. 2008. Priority Habitat and Species List. Olympia, Washington. 177 pp. <http://wdfw.wa.gov/publications/00165/wdfw00165.pdf> or access the list from here: <http://wdfw.wa.gov/conservation/phs/list/>)

Count how many of the following priority habitats are within 330 ft (100 m) of the wetland: **NOTE:** *This question is independent of the land use between the wetland and the priority habitat.*

- **Aspen Stands:** Pure or mixed stands of aspen greater than 1 ac (0.4 ha).
- **Biodiversity Areas and Corridors:** Areas of habitat that are relatively important to various species of native fish and wildlife (*full descriptions in WDFW PHS report*).
- **Old-growth/Mature forests:** Old-growth east of Cascade crest – Stands are highly variable in tree species composition and structural characteristics due to the influence of fire, climate, and soils. In general, stands will be >150 years of age, with 10 trees/ac (25 trees/ha) that are > 21 in (53 cm) dbh, and 1-3 snags/ac (2.5-7.5 snags/ha) that are > 12-14 in (30-35 cm) diameter. Downed logs may vary from abundant to absent. Canopies may be single or multi-layered. Evidence of human-caused alterations to the stand will be absent or so slight as to not affect the ecosystem's essential structures and functions. Mature forests – Stands with average diameters exceeding 21 in (53 cm) dbh; crown cover may be less than 100%; decay, decadence, numbers of snags, and quantity of large downed material is generally less than that found in old-growth; 80-200 years old west and 80-160 years old east of the Cascade crest.
- **Oregon White Oak:** Woodland stands of pure oak or oak/conifer associations where canopy coverage of the oak component is important (*full descriptions in WDFW PHS report p. 158 – see web link above*).
- ☒ **Riparian:** The area adjacent to aquatic systems with flowing water that contains elements of both aquatic and terrestrial ecosystems which mutually influence each other.
- ☒ **Instream:** The combination of physical, biological, and chemical processes and conditions that interact to provide functional life history requirements for instream fish and wildlife resources.
- **Caves:** A naturally occurring cavity, recess, void, or system of interconnected passages under the earth in soils, rock, ice, or other geological formations and is large enough to contain a human.
- **Cliffs:** Greater than 25 ft (7.6 m) high and occurring below 5000 ft elevation.
- **Talus:** Homogenous areas of rock rubble ranging in average size 0.5 - 6.5 ft (0.15 - 2.0 m), composed of basalt, andesite, and/or sedimentary rock, including riprap slides and mine tailings. May be associated with cliffs.
- **Snags and Logs:** Trees are considered snags if they are dead or dying and exhibit sufficient decay characteristics to enable cavity excavation/use by wildlife. Priority snags have a diameter at breast height of > 12 in (30 cm) in eastern Washington and are > 6.5 ft (2 m) in height. Priority logs are > 12 in (30 cm) in diameter at the largest end, and > 20 ft (6 m) long.
- **Shrub-steppe:** A nonforested vegetation type consisting of one or more layers of perennial bunchgrasses and a conspicuous but discontinuous layer of shrubs (see Eastside Steppe for sites with little or no shrub cover).
- **Eastside Steppe:** Nonforested vegetation type dominated by broadleaf herbaceous flora (i.e., forbs), perennial bunchgrasses, or a combination of both. Bluebunch wheatgrass (*Pseudoroegneria spicata*) is often the prevailing cover component along with Idaho fescue (*Festuca idahoensis*), Sandberg bluegrass (*Poa secunda*), rough fescue (*F. campestris*), or needlegrasses (*Achnatherum* spp.).
- **Juniper Savannah:** All juniper woodlands.

Note: All vegetated wetlands are by definition a priority habitat but are not included in this list because they are addressed elsewhere.

Legend

- Streams
- Wetland Boundary
- 150ft Buffer

Cowardin Classification

- Scrub-Shrub

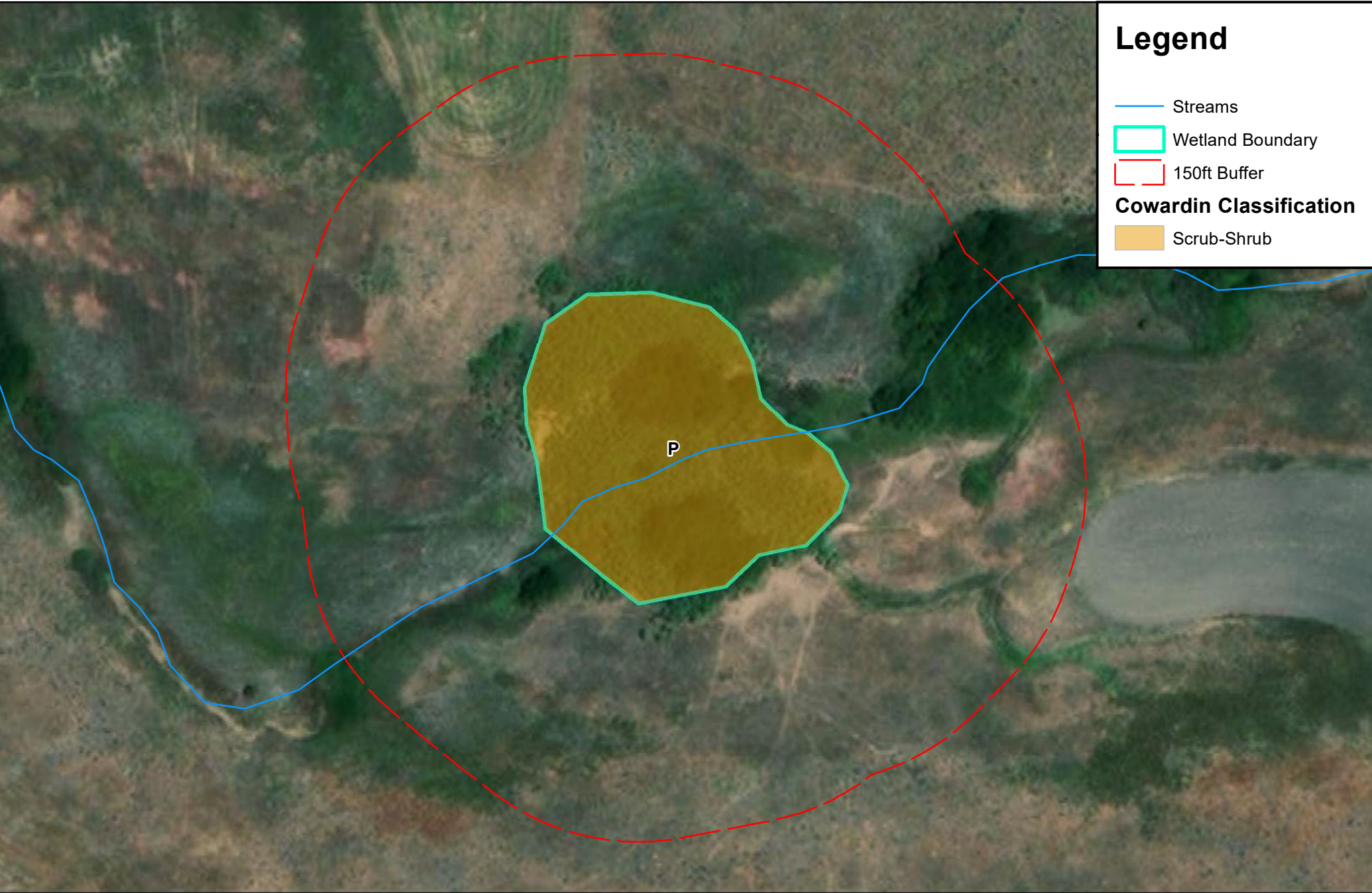


Figure 1. Wetland P Cowardin Classifications

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Legend

Streams

Wetland Boundary

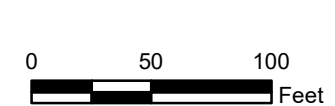
Hydroperiods

Occasionally Flooded or Inundated

Saturated Only



Figure 2. Wetland P Hydroperiods
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Legend

- Streams
- Wetlands
- Contributing Basin

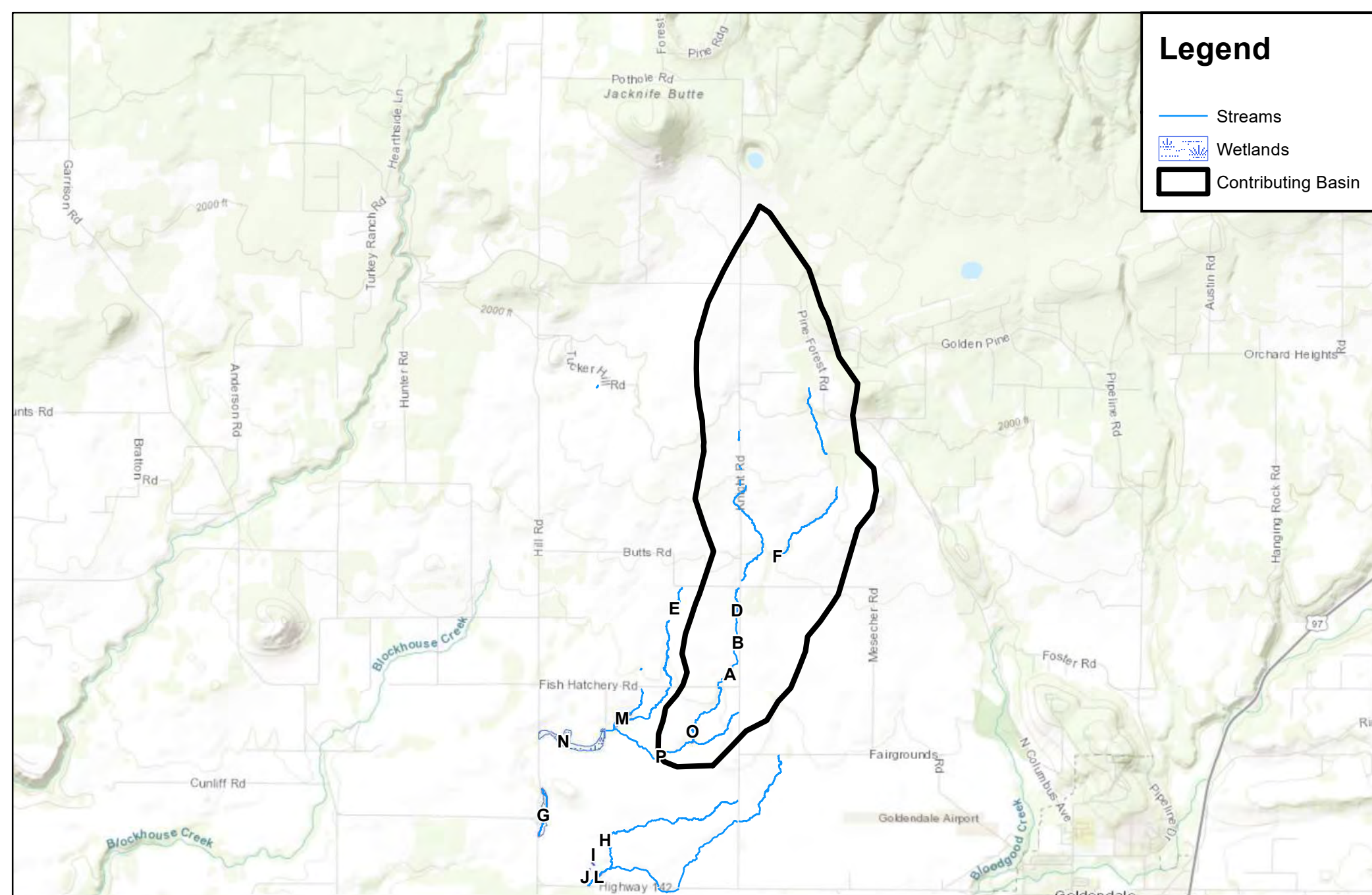
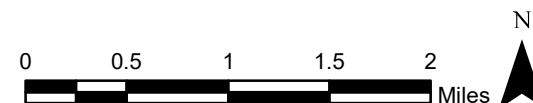


Figure 3. Wetland P Contributing Basin

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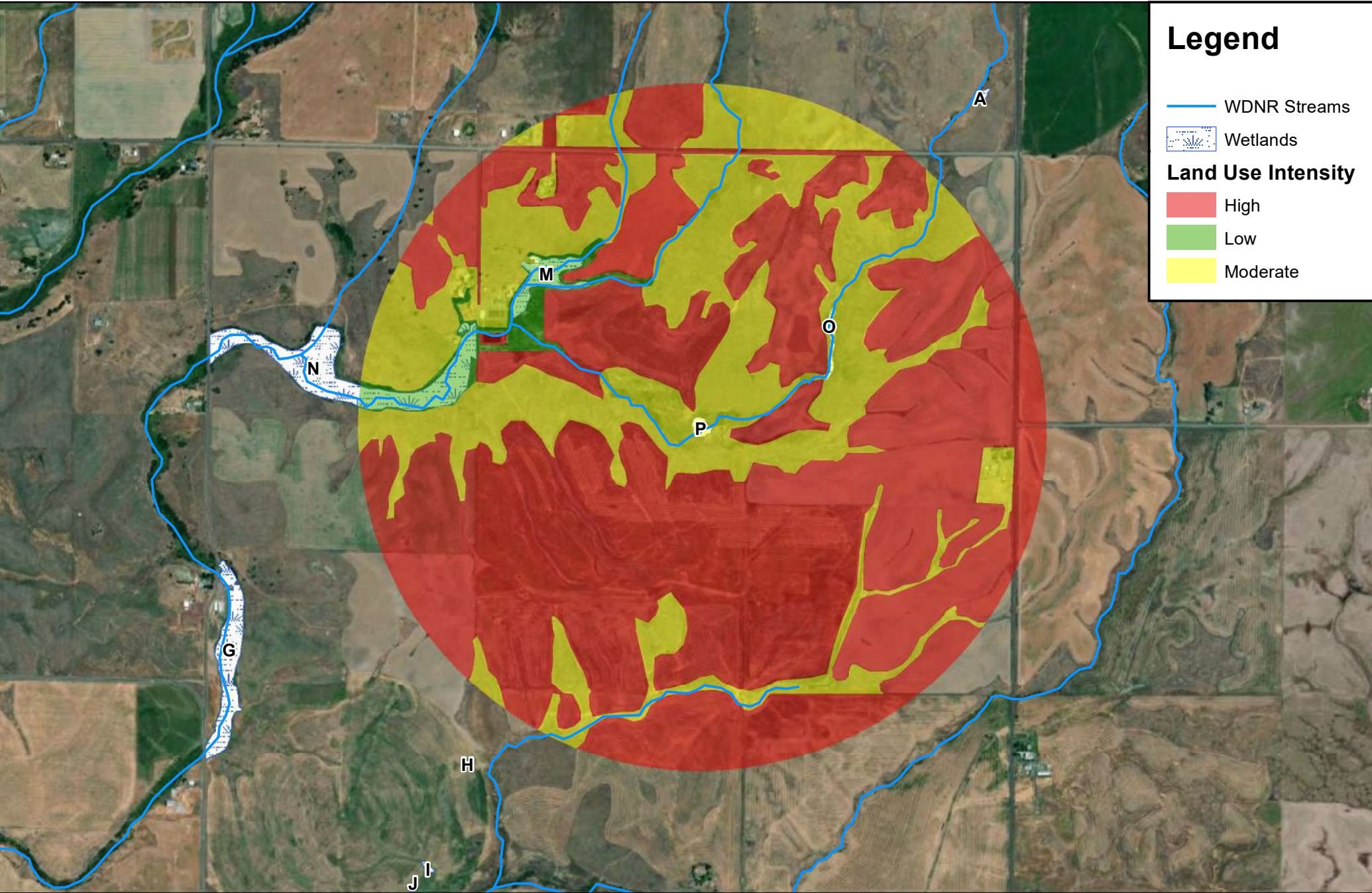
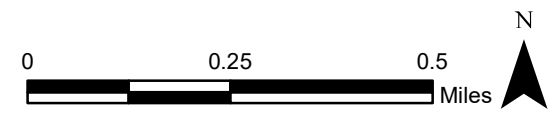


Figure 4. Wetland P Land Use and Habitat Map
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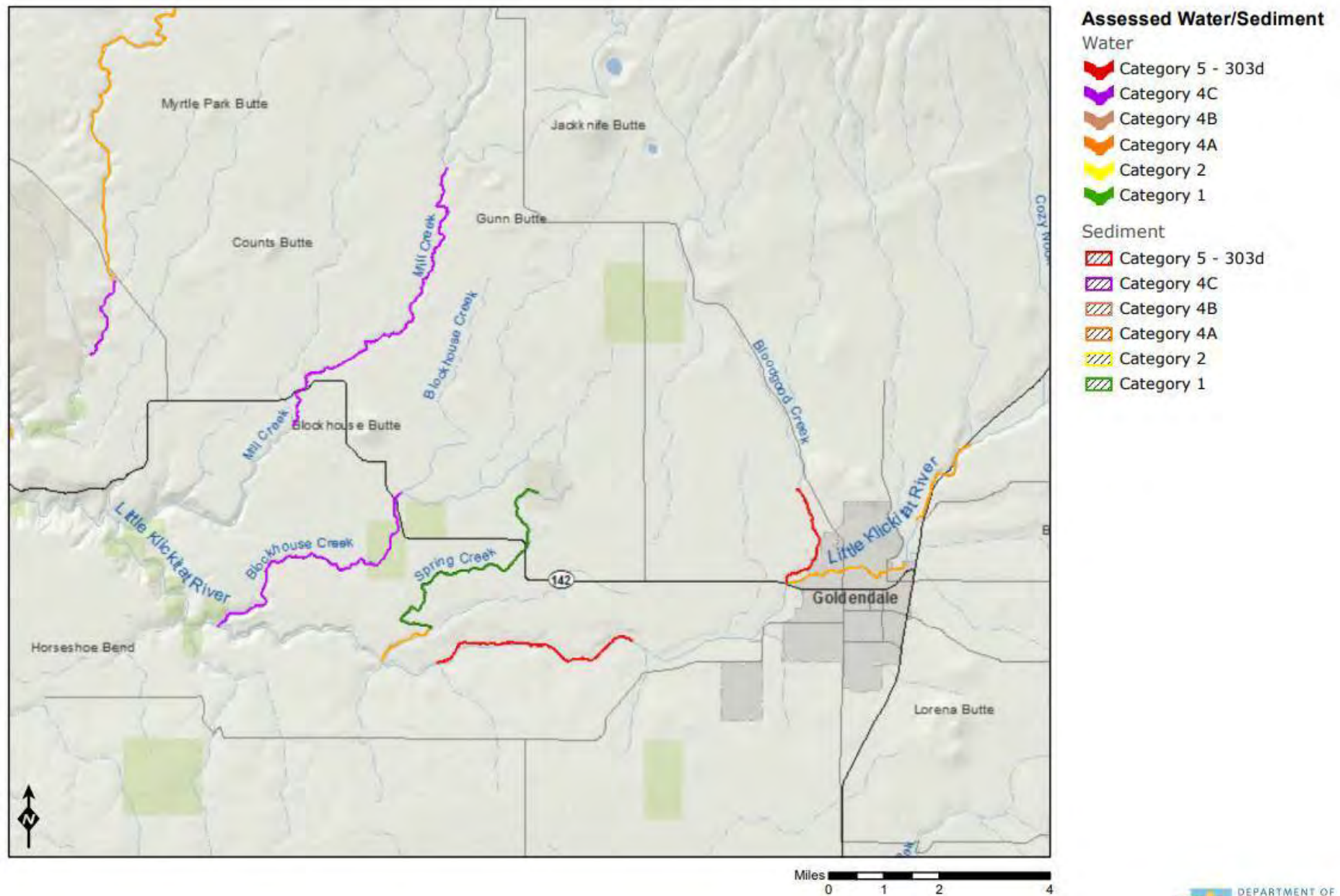


Figure 5. 303(d) Listed Waters in Little Klickitat River Basin (WRIA 30)

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Klickitat County

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Water quality improvement projects

Select the waterbody or pollutant name to find more information about the specific project.

Waterbody Name(s)	Pollutant(s)	Status	Project Lead(s)
Little Klickitat River	BOD (5-day) Chlorine	EPA approved	Mark Peterschmidt 509-454-7843
Little Klickitat River Watershed	Temperature	EPA approved and Has an implementation plan	Mark Peterschmidt 509-454-7843

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Figure 6. TMDL's in Klickitat County (WRIA 29, 30, 31, and 37)

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APPENDIX D

STAFF QUALIFICATIONS



BRIDGET WOJTALA

Consultant, Environmental Scientist

Years of Experience

9

Years with the Firm

3

Education

**BS, Natural Resources
Mgmt., Grand Val St U,
2013**

Professional Registrations

**Asbestos Inspector: WA
(179867)**

CAREER SUMMARY

Bridget is an environmental scientist and Environmental Professional with background in environmental permitting and site assessments. Bridget has managed and performed numerous Phases I Environmental Site Assessments for commercial, residential, and industrial properties; hazardous material corridor studies; asbestos assessments; mold surveys; wetland delineations; wetland functional assessments; fish and wildlife habitat surveys; monitoring for mitigation and restoration projects; soil, surface water, and groundwater characterizations; and emergency spill remedial activities. She also has experience in environmental regulations and environmental permitting, including NEPA documentation and ESA consultation.

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

- **South Cloverdale Road Project, Cowlitz County, Washington:** Environmental scientist responsible for assisting with environmental resource inventory and permitting for this Cowlitz County road-widening project. Tasks included performing a Low-Level Hazardous Materials Assessment in general conformance with the All Appropriate Inquiries Final Rule (AAI Rule) per Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) 40 CFR 312, ASTM International's Standard Practice for Environmental Site Assessments (ASTM E 1527-13), and the Washington State Department of Transportation's (WSDOT) Environmental Procedures Manual (EPM). Assisted with wetland and ordinary high-water mark delineation within the project right-of-way, and assisted with USACE and Washington State Department of Ecology (Ecology) review and approval of the delineation. Assisted with compensatory mitigation strategy.
- **State Routes 503 and 502 Intersection and Shared-Use Pathway, Battle Ground, Washington:** Environmental scientist responsible for assisting a professional wetland scientist in securing the necessary permits for this intersection improvements project for the city of Battle Ground. Tasks included conducting a wetland delineation and environmental assessment in accordance with the 2010 Regional Supplement to the USACE Wetland Delineation Manual: Western Mountains, Valleys, and Coast Region. Other responsibilities include the preparation of a city critical areas report. WSP provided environmental resource documentation and federal, state, and local permitting services for this federally funded intersection improvements project for the City of Battle Ground.
- **City of Vancouver Southeast 18th Street Improvements, Vancouver, Washington:** Environmental scientist responsible for assisting a senior scientist in securing the necessary permits for this road completion project. Tasks to obtain permits included conducting a wetland delineation and habitat assessment in accordance with the 2010 Regional Supplement to the USACE Wetland Delineation Manual: Western Mountains, Valleys, and Coast Region. Other responsibilities include the preparation of a city critical areas report and no effect letter. WSP provided environmental resource documentation and federal, state, and local permitting services for this federally funded corridor completion project that will upgrade and extend NE 18th Street between NE 97th Avenue and NE 107th Avenue with three roundabouts for the City of Vancouver.
- **Hood River – White Salmon Bridge Replacement Project, Hood River, Oregon and White Salmon, Washington:** Environmental scientist responsible for preparing a report pursuant to Appendix A of the USCG Bridge Permit Application Guide to obtain a Preliminary Navigational Clearance Determination from the USCG which provides a level of certainty to the navigational clearance for the project. Reviewed previous navigation study, type, size and location reports, draft environmental impact studies, USACE documents, and other published sources. Environmental scientist responsible for assisting a professional wetland scientist in conducting a wetland delineation in accordance with the 2010 Regional



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Supplement to the Corps of Engineers Wetland Delineation Manual: Western Mountains, Valleys, and Coast Region and the preparation of an associated delineation report for the Hood River – White Salmon Bridge Replacement Project.

- **US30: Kittridge – St. Johns, Portland, Oregon:** Environmental scientist responsible for conducting a Hazardous Materials Corridor Study for this highway rehabilitation project, including performing a site reconnaissance to observe the site and adjacent properties, developing a photographic record of current site conditions, reviewing aerial photography, interviewing appropriate persons with knowledge of the site, and reviewing a search of federal, tribal, state, and local government databases (Environmental Data Resources report). Prepared and delivered a written summary of the draft and final Hazardous Materials Corridor Study in accordance with ASTM E 1527-13 and ODOT standards along with opinion and recommendations regarding the potential for contamination by hazardous substances at the site, provided as a PDF document.
- **Port of Kalama warehouse property in Kalama, Washington:** Environmental scientist responsible for conducting a Phase I and II Environmental Site Assessment in accordance with ASTM E 1527-13 standards. Responsibilities included evaluating the potential risk and liability associated with dredged fill material on the site. Coordinated with driller to complete three sediment borings using direct-push drilling equipment. Collected continuous sediment samples from the borings to approximately 30 feet below ground surface or to groundwater for field screening. Submitted soil samples to analytical laboratory for chemical analysis. Collected and submitted groundwater samples from each boring. Prepared field logs for each exploration and recorded position of each exploration location using a GPS.
- **Salem Hollywood Station USPS Asbestos and Lead-Based Paint Assessment in Salem, Oregon:** Environmental scientist responsible for conducting sampling of asbestos containing building materials and lead-based paint, including review of existing surveys, determining quantities of damaged ACM and LBP, identifying areas requiring necessary remediation and/or renovation, conducting a condition assessment of the identified impacted materials, including delineating the extent, location, types, and quantity of damaged materials, determining the probable cause of material failure, and preparation of an abatement scope of work to determine the most appropriate and cost effective abatement and repair methods.
- **North Bonneville Substation and Powerline Project, Skamania County, Washington:** Environmental scientist responsible for assisting a professional wetland scientist in conducting a wetland delineation in accordance with the 2010 Regional Supplement to the Corps of Engineers Wetland Delineation Manual: Western Mountains, Valleys, and Coast Region and the preparation of an associated delineation report for Skamania PUD North Bonneville Substation and Powerline Project in North Bonneville, Stevenson, and Skamania County, WA.
- **I-5 Coburg Interchange Design Project, Lane County, Oregon:** Environmental scientist responsible for preparing a Modified Hazardous Materials Corridor Assessment (HMCA) to identify potential sources of contamination that could impact the project. HMCA was conducted in accordance with generally accepted environmental procedures as outlined in the Hazardous Waste Guide for Project Development, by the American Association of State Highway and Transportation Officials Special Committee on Environment, Archeology, and Historic Preservation.



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Years with the firm

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Years total

4

Professional Affiliations

Society of Wetland Scientists

Professional Trainings

Washington Department of Ecology Wetland Rating Class (October 2020)

Washington Department of Ecology How to Determine the Ordinary High Water Mark in Western Washington Class (October 2021)

CAREER SUMMARY

Brandon Stimac is an environmental scientist with four years of professional experience working for, and with, public and private entities in the Midwest and the Western United States. He has developed an understanding of federal, state, and local environmental regulations and permitting and is particularly well versed in topics relating to wetlands, streams, and natural resource inventories. Brandon works to meet client needs and ensure environmental requirements are taken into consideration through a projects design into construction.

EDUCATION

BS, Environmental Engineering, Michigan Technological University

2016

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

- **Canyon Road Northeastly Extension (CRP5498), Pierce County, Washington:** project scientist providing Pierce County with services for National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) compliance. The project is going through an Environmental Assessment and is developing Discipline Reports to meet NEPA requirements. The project is a proposed freight corridor project, with new roadways and bridges spanning the Puyallup River and Clarks Creek. The field services included wetland and stream delineations. Documentation included a Wetland and Stream Assessment Discipline Report, a Biological Assessment and a mitigation plan.
- **State Route 18 Widening – Deep Creek to Issaquah-Hobart Road, King County, Washington:** project scientist providing WSDOT NW Region with services for local, state, and federal permitting compliance for a proposed roadway widening to improve safety and mobility through the SR-18 corridor. The field services included three months of wetland and stream delineations and two weeks of ESA habitat assessments for Marbled Murrelets. Documentation included a Wetlands and Stream Assessment Report, Wetland Rating Forms, a Conceptual Mitigation Plan, Marbled Murrelet Habitat Memorandum, and ESA sections for use in the Project Biological Assessment.
- **33rd Avenue Pedestrian Bridge, City of Seattle, Washington:** project scientist providing the City of Seattle with services for local and state permit compliance for a proposed pedestrian bridge replacement spanning a BNSF railroad. The field services included wetland and stream delineations. Documentation included a Critical Areas Report and Wetland Rating Forms.
- **Pierce County Single-Family Wetland Verifications, Various, Washington:** environmental scientist providing Pierce County with on-call services for single-family and parcel development wetland verifications. Services include field visits to identify any critical areas present near the proposed developments and determining consistency with County critical area regulations.
- **Summit-at-Snoqualmie Mountain Bike Park, Snoqualmie Pass, Washington:** project scientist providing the Summit-at-Snoqualmie with services for National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) compliance for a proposed lift-operated mountain bike park on U.S. Forest Service and privately held land. The services included amphibian surveys, forest stand assessment, habitat assessments and wetland and stream delineations.



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Documentation included a Botanical, Aquatic and Wildlife resource reports with calculations and figure production in ArcGIS.

- **Grove Street Overcrossing, Marysville, Washington:** project scientist providing design and NEPA documentation support for the City of Marysville. The project proposes to construct an overcrossing that would span the BNSF Railway track on Grove Street between State Avenue and Cedar Avenue.
- **Factoria Boulevard Stormwater Conveyance Improvements, Bellevue, Washington:** project scientist providing permit support for the City of Bellevue on a project proposing to replace stormwater conveyance structures with impacts to a critical area. Services included a Critical Areas Report, Conceptual Mitigation Plan, SEPA checklist, Hydraulic Project Approval and JARPA application.
- **NBK Railroad - Culvert Repair, City of Bremerton, Washington:** project scientist providing services for replacement of a culvert on NAVFAC right-of-way that is below an active railway. Conducted wetland and stream delineations to evaluate potential project impacts. Prepared a findings memo, permitting matrix, critical areas report, and mitigation plan to support the design and future construction of the project.
- **FY22 MCON Project P-260 P-8A Airfield Pavements, Whidbey Island, Washington:** project scientist providing services for the repair and replacement of infrastructure at Naval Air Station Whidbey Island. Conducted wetland delineations within a 30-acre study area to evaluate potential project impacts. Prepared a delineation report, preliminary jurisdictional determination and calculations and figure preparation in ArcGIS.
- **South Cloverdale Road, Kalama, Washington:** project scientist providing documentation for compliance with Section 7 of the Endangered Species Act for a WSDOT Local Programs and Cowlitz County roadway project. The project aims to realign a section of roadway and replace two culverts with fish passable structures.
- **Thornton Creek Bridge Rehabilitation, Seattle, Washington:** project scientist providing permit services for the City of Seattle's Thornton Creek project. Evaluated project impacts to critical area and buffers at four bridge replacement locations on Thornton Creek. Services included a Critical Areas Report, SEPA checklist and Permitting Compliance Strategy and Matrix.
- **Nintendo 150th Avenue NE Stormwater Infrastructure Replacement, Redmond, Washington:** project scientist supporting State Environmental Policy Act documentation for a stormwater infrastructure repair and replacement for the City of Redmond on the Nintendo Campus.
- **Valley Creek Culvert Replacement, Bellevue, Washington:** project scientist providing federal, state, and local permit support for the City of Bellevue. The project proposes to replace a culvert within a critical area.