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## Project Summary

Project Name: Lower Chiwawa River Area D Study

Applicant: Chelan County Natural Resource  
Department

Location: 9 miles north of Plain, WA

Legal Description: Sec. 13, T27N, R17E

Lat. 47.66329 °, Long. -120.67842°

Field Study Dates: May 23rd, 2023

Conditions prior to fieldwork: 0.00 inches of cumulative precipitation fell in the 7 days prior to fieldwork.

## 2. Introduction

The Columbia Pacific Northwest Region of the Bureau of Reclamation (Reclamation) has partnered with Chelan County to develop habitat enhancement projects for ESA-listed salmon and trout species in the lower 13.1 miles of the Chiwawa River

The Chiwawa River is a tributary to the Wenatchee River in Chelan County, Washington. The Chiwawa sub-watershed occupies over 188 square miles in the Cascade Mountains. The project area encompasses much of the channel and floodplains in the Lower Chiwawa River, extending from the confluence of the Chiwawa and Wenatchee Rivers up to approximately RM 13.1. The project area, Area D, is located just upstream of the town of Plain, WA. Area D extends upstream from the river's confluence with Goose Creek at ~RM 6.0 to its confluence with Alder Creek at ~RM 7.25. It includes the river channel and adjacent lands on both sides of the river (Figure A-1).

Area D was one of the identified potential project areas and is moving through design and construction as the first phase of the project. Previous work has defined habitat improvement goals and objectives, assessed site conditions, identified potential project areas for habitat improvement, and developed conceptual alternatives for habitat improvement projects throughout the project area.

Currently, the Chiwawa River supports populations of Endangered Species Act (ESA) listed Upper Columbia spring Chinook salmon (*Oncorhynchus tshawytscha*), Upper Columbia steelhead (*Oncorhynchus mykiss*), and bull trout (*Salvelinus confluentus*) and has been identified as a major spawning area for spring Chinook and steelhead (UCRTT 2021). Other resident species in the Wenatchee and Chiwawa Rivers include salmonids such as westslope cutthroat trout (*Oncorhynchus clarkii lewisi*), redband trout (*Oncorhynchus mykiss gairdnerii*), and rainbow trout (*Oncorhynchus mykiss*), as well as Pacific lamprey (*Entosphenus tridentatus*) and mountain whitefish (*Prosopium williamsoni*). Pacific lamprey relocations have occurred in the Wenatchee River, and therefore may be present in the Chiwawa River. However, there are limited data to confirm the use of the Chiwawa River by adult or juvenile lamprey.

As part of the Area D project, a wetland delineation was conducted (hereafter referred to as the study area). This work revealed the presence of five riverine wetlands and one depressional wetland, which can be seen in Appendix A, Figure 4. These wetlands comprise emergent, scrub-shrub, and forested communities, exhibiting recent flooding, scouring, and saturated hydroperiods. They are situated on the floodplains adjacent to the Chiwawa River and have formed in local depressional features. The hydrology of these wetlands is influenced by the snow melt and runoff occurring during the spring season, resulting in high flows in the Chiwawa River. In the field, wetland hydrology indicators were easily identifiable, including visible standing water, a high-water table, and their geomorphic position in high-flow swales. Vegetation also consistently indicated the presence of wetlands, as evidenced by the prevalence of scouring rush (*Equisetum hyemale*) and/or sparse vegetation due to long-duration ponding throughout the growing season. Additionally, hydric soil indicators reliably correlated with the presence of wetlands, characterized by sandy/loamy soils and depleted matrices observed in soil cores.

The Chiwawa River Ordinary High-Water Mark was delineated in the field using biologic and geomorphic indicators such as washed roots, topographic break lines, and vegetative transitions from hydrophytic vegetation to more upland species. At the time of the fieldwork, the Chiwawa River was experiencing high flows, flooding, and was incised and largely disconnected.

## 3. Methodology

### 3.1 WETLAND DELINEATION

Wetland boundaries were primarily established according to the Routine Onsite method described in the 1987 *Corps of Engineers Wetlands Delineation Manual* (United States Army Corps of Engineers [USACE] 1987), and the *Regional Supplement to the Corps of Engineers Wetland Delineation Manual: Arid West Region (Version 2.0)* (USACE 2008) (hereafter, referred to as the Manual). The Ordinary High-Water Mark (OHWM) was delineated using methods and indicators described in the document *Determining the Ordinary High-Water Mark for Shoreline Management Act Compliance in Washington*

State (WDOE 2016). Wetlands were rated using the Washington State Wetland Rating System (for Eastern Washington) (Hruby 2014).

### 3.2 SITE SURVEY

The wetland study was conducted on May 23, 2023 within the study area (Appendix A, Figure 4). Areas with high potential to support jurisdictional wetlands were identified prior to field work by reviewing aerial photographs, relative elevation maps (derived from LiDAR), National Wetland Inventory (NWI) maps, United States Department of Agriculture Natural Resources Conservation Service (USDA NRCS) soil maps, precipitation data, streamflow data, and LiDAR data collected by NV5 in August, 2021. Areas around sample plot locations were surveyed on foot, and notes concerning soil, vegetation, and hydrology conditions were recorded at each study location. Potential wetland areas were further evaluated through observation of vegetative communities, topographic patterns, and hydric soils that were confirmed or disproven through periodic soil sampling (Appendix A, Figures 2 & 3). Additional shovel probes were conducted at the site when delineating wetland boundaries in the field in addition to those represented in this report as formal sample plots. Wetland boundaries shown in this report were drawn using a combination of GPS data of wetland boundaries taken during the field delineation, detailed field notes, aerial photographs taken from Google Earth and USGS Earth Explorer, hydraulic model output, and additional topographic information gathered from LiDAR.

## 4. Site description

The Chiwawa River Study Project Area D is located between RM 6.0 and 7.25 on the Chiwawa River. This area is located upstream and downstream of the Chiwawa River Road bridge, and includes three dispersed camping areas in the vicinity of the bridge, one upstream on river left, one upstream on river right, and one downstream on river left. In addition, the Goose Creek Campground is within the project footprint, near the downstream end on river left. Both Alder and Goose Creek join the mainstem Chiwawa River at the upstream and downstream ends of the project area D, respectively. Area D is entirely located on USFS land, yet eight private cabins are sited on leased USFS land near the center of the project area (river right).

### 4.1 SOILS

The wetlands identified in the study area are comprised of six soil map units (Appendix A, Figure 6):

- Mippon gravelly fine sandy loam, 0 to 3 percent slopes
  - Mippon soils are sandy-skeletal and moderately well drained. They are found in landscape valleys and in stream terraces and flood plains. The average annual precipitation is about 30 inches and the mean annual temperature is about 42.8 degrees F.

- Choralmont cindery sandy loam, till substratum, 3 to 30 percent slopes
  - The Choralmont series consists of very deep, well drained soils formed in volcanic ash and pumice over glacial drift. Choralmont soils are on mountainsides and terraces and have slopes of 3 to 60 percent. The average annual precipitation is about 45 inches and the mean annual temperature is about 42 degrees F.
- Aeric Fluvaquents, nearly level
  - An Aquent is a suborder of Entisols that are typically heavily saturated or soaked soils, mostly present at riparian locations. Fluvaquents are aquents with very young sediment from frequent flooding. Aeric soils are somewhat better drained than other soils in their associated great group. Precipitation and annual temperature data is currently unknown for this soil group.

Soils encountered during fieldwork were sandy, loamy/sandy, mucky loam/clay, mucky, and silty, and these generally matched the NRCS soil descriptions.

#### 4.2 NATIONAL WETLAND INVENTORY MAPPED WETLANDS

The United States Fish and Wildlife Service delineates wetlands and deep-water habitats based on Cowardin classes per the National Wetland Inventory (NWI) program (Cowardin et al. 1979). The NWI identifies three wetland types in the study area (Table 1; Appendix A, Figure 2). It should be noted that NWI maps are produced from aerial photos and topographic map interpretation and are not meant to represent the extent of jurisdictional wetlands (Dahl et al 2009). Wetlands identified by the NWI in the study area are based on 1:58,000 scale color infrared imagery from 1981 and may not represent current wetland conditions accurately. They do, however, provide a good starting point to identify potential areas with wetland habitats.

**Table 1. NWI Wetland types mapped within study area.**

NWI Code	Type	Description
<b>PSSC</b>	Freshwater Forested/Shrub Wetland	Palustrine scrub shrub seasonally flooded
<b>PEM</b>	Freshwater Emergent Wetland	Herbaceous marsh, fen, swale, and wet meadow
<b>R3UBH</b>	Riverine	Riverine upper perennial unconsolidated bottom permanently flooded

#### 4.3 HIGH QUALITY HABITATS AND SPECIES

Within the study area, the Washington Department of Natural Resources has not identified any natural heritage species (WSDNR 1992) and the Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife has identified seven species and four habitats on the Priority Habitats and Species List (Table 2 & Table 3).

**Table 2. Priority species in the study area as identified by Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife. Data from the WDFW Priority Habitats and Species List (WDFW PHS) for the Chiwawa River Area D.**

Common Name	Scientific Name	Priority Area	Source
<b>Rainbow Trout</b>	<i>Oncorhynchus mykiss</i>	Occurrence/Migration	WDFW n.d.
<b>Summer Steelhead Trout</b>	<i>Onchorynchus mykiss irideus</i>	Breeding Area	WDFW n.d.
<b>Spring Chinook</b>	<i>Onchorynchus tshawytscha</i>	Breeding Area	WDFW n.d.
<b>Dolly Varden/ Bull Trout</b>	<i>Salvelinus malma /S. confluentus</i>	Occurrence/Migration	WDFW n.d.
<b>Westslope Cutthroat</b>	<i>Oncorhynchus clarki lewisi</i>	Occurrence/Migration	WDFW n.d.
<b>Mule Deer</b>	<i>Odocoileus hemionus hemionus</i>	Migration	WDFW n.d.
<b>Northern Spotted Owl</b>	<i>Strix occidentalis</i>	Endangered	WDFW n.d.

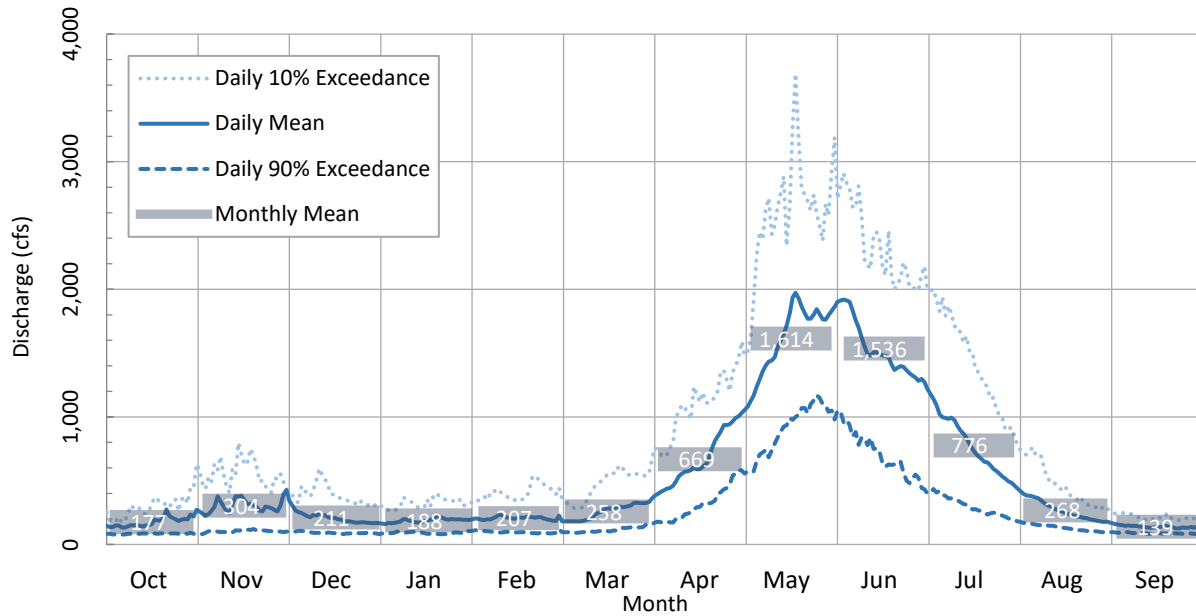
**Table 3. Priority habitats in the study area as identified by Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife. Data from the WDFW Priority Habitats and Species List (WDFW PHS) for the Chiwawa River Area D (Appendix E.)**

Type	Priority Area	Site Name	Source
Wetlands	Aquatic Habitat	Swallow Caves	WDFW n.d.
Freshwater Emergent Wetland	Aquatic Habitat	n/a	WDFW n.d.
Freshwater Forested/Shrub Wetland	Aquatic Habitat	n/a	WDFW n.d.
Shrubsteppe	Habitat Feature	Chelan County Shrubsteppe	WDFW n.d.

#### 4.4 HYDROLOGY

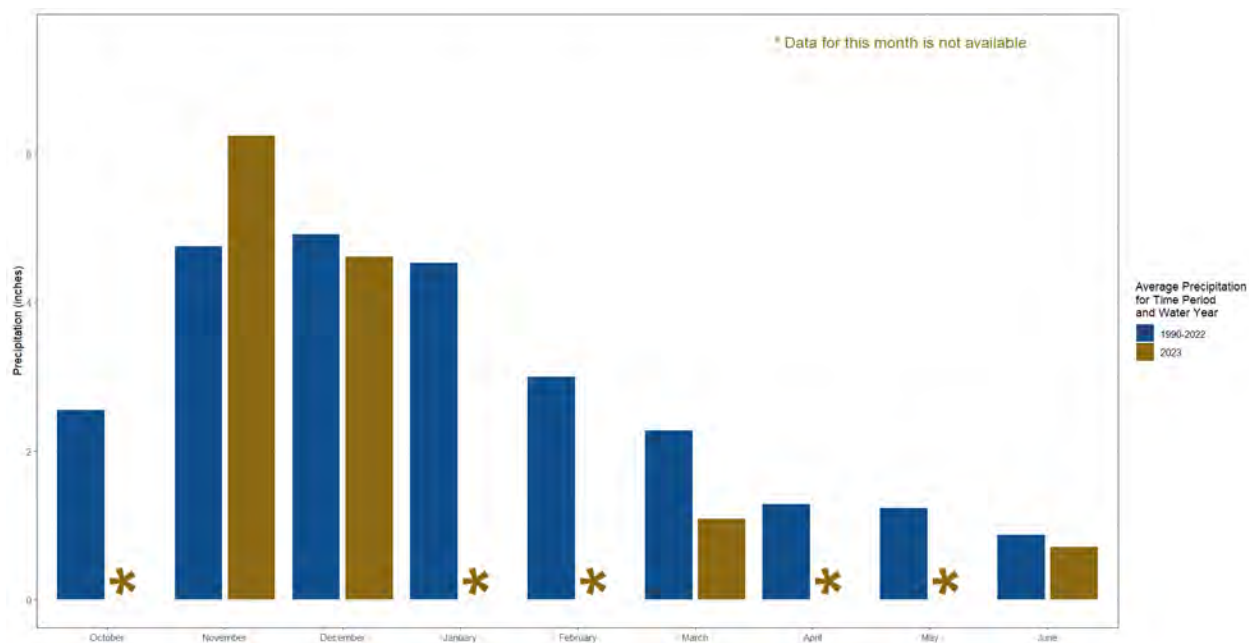
The Chiwawa River is a major tributary to the Wenatchee River, joining the Wenatchee about 5 miles downstream of Lake Wenatchee near the town of Plain, WA. At the confluence with the Wenatchee River the Chiwawa River drains 188 miles<sup>2</sup> -- approximately 14% of the Wenatchee Basin (1,328 mi<sup>2</sup>). The Chiwawa River has a range of monthly mean flows from 139 cfs per month in Sept to 1614 cfs in May (Figure 1). The Chiwawa Basin drains the North Cascades east of Glacier Peak, ranges in elevation from 9,040 feet to 1,840 feet, with an average basin slope of roughly 195 feet/mile. This study focuses on the hydrology of the lower Chiwawa River Basin (LCRB), the lower 73 mi<sup>2</sup> of the watershed located from Chikamin Creek to the confluence with the Wenatchee River.

Mean annual precipitation in the Chiwawa River Basin is spatially variable, ranging from 26–107 inches, and 63 inches when averaged across the basin (PRISM 2022); increases in precipitation are positively correlated with elevation in the Chiwawa Basin. A majority of annual precipitation in the Chiwawa Basin falls from October through March, much as snow, especially at higher elevations (Figure 2). Streamflow in the Chiwawa River varies seasonally, with snowmelt-driven high flows commonly peaking in May and June, and the lowest flows typically occurring in September and October. Occasional late-fall high flows occur from late-October through December, including the two floods of record (Nov. 1991 and Nov. 1996), and typically result from rain-on-snow events and/or extreme rainfall.



**Figure 1. Annual hydrology statistics for USGS gage 12456500 Chiwawa River Near Plain, WA (Water years 1991-2022)**

Wetlands were delineated on May 23, 2023 during the spring wet season. Monthly precipitation in the water year leading up to fieldwork was average based on prior 7 years. The river was experiencing high flows during the time of delineation, with the May 2023 average assessment at 2100 cfs, which is higher than the 2-year recurrence interval flow of 1500 cfs.



**Figure 2. Average monthly precipitation, in inches, at Plain, WA precipitation gage for 1990 to 2022 (dark blue) and current water year (brown). Note: Some 2023 months data is not currently available. Data sourced from Natural Resources Conservation Service National Water and Climate Center.**

The following section describes vegetation trends within the study area. Individual plants are listed with scientific name and wetland status indicator in parentheses (Table 3).

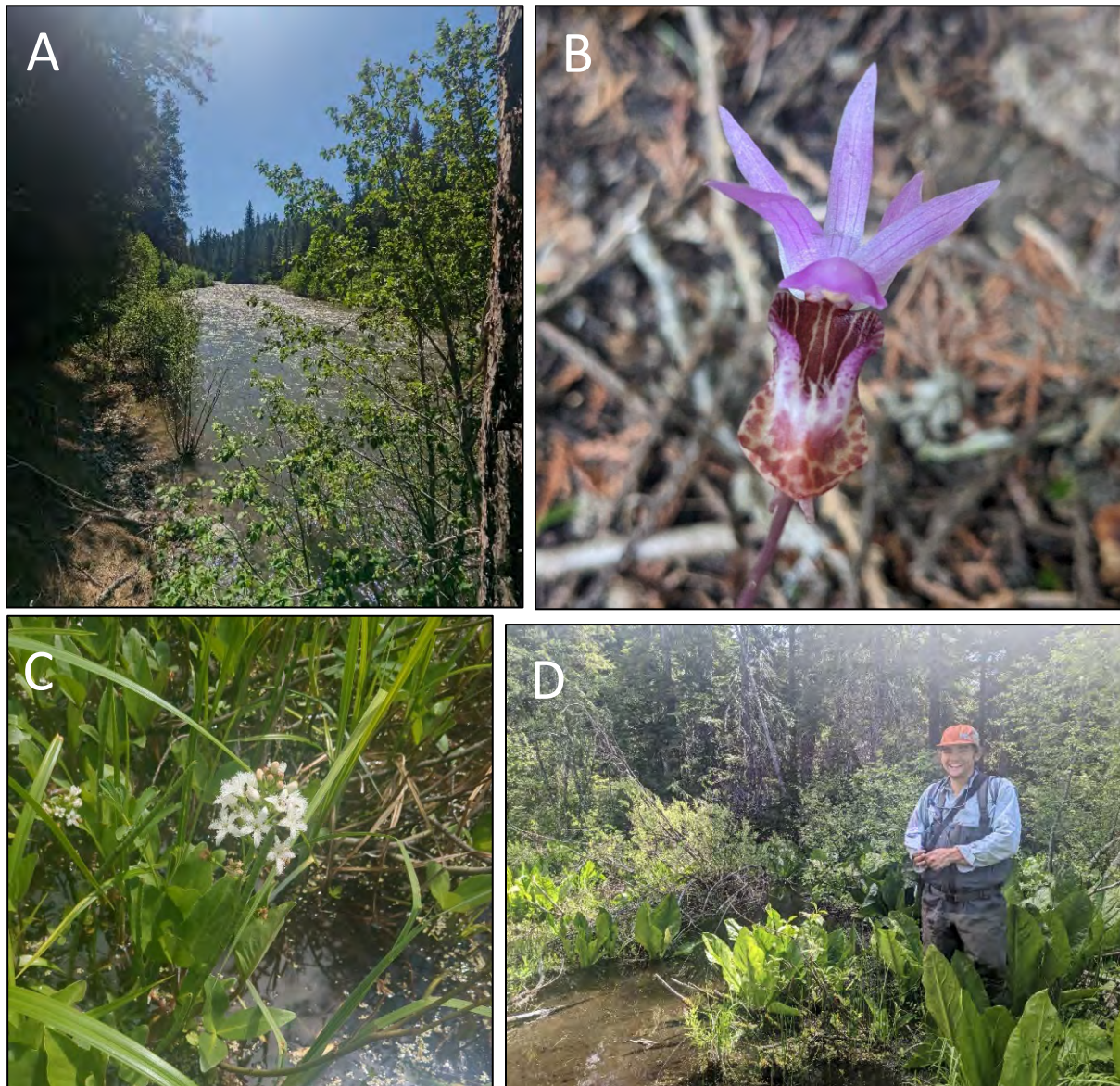
**Table 4. Wetland indicator status designations for vegetative species (adapted from USDA NRCS).**

Indicator Code	Indicator Status	Designation	Comment
<b>OBL</b>	Obligate Wetland	Hydrophyte	Almost always occur in wetlands
<b>FACW</b>	Facultative Wetland	Hydrophyte	Usually occur in wetlands, but may occur in non-wetlands
<b>FAC</b>	Facultative	Hydrophyte	Occur in wetlands and non-wetlands
<b>FACU</b>	Facultative Upland	Non-hydrophyte	Usually occur in non-wetlands, but may occur in wetlands
<b>UPL</b>	Obligate Upland	Non-hydrophyte	Almost never occur in wetlands

Vegetation community composition in the study area is typical of a riparian area in a western mountain and valley landscape. Upland areas contained an overstory of red alder (*Alnus rubra*, FAC) and grand fir (*Abies grandis*, FACU), and an understory of Oregon vine maple (*Acer circinatum*, FAC), Douglas spirea (*Spiraea douglasii*, FACW), Nootka rose (*Rosa nutkana*, FACU), red osier dogwood (*Cornus sericea*, FACW), Western trillium (*Trillium ovatum*, FACU), and upland grasses unidentifiable

due to time of year (Figure 3A). Emergent wetland areas contained rough horsetail (*Equisetum hyemale*, FACW), coastal hedgenettle (*Stachys chamissonis*, FACW), fragrant bedstraw (*Galium triflorum*, FACU), false Solomon's seal (*Maianthemum racemosum*, FAC), calypso orchid (*Calypso bulbosa*, FACW), and common snowberry (*Symphoricarpos albus*, FACU) (Figure 3B).

A large depressional wetland, upland from the river was identified (Wetland E), containing western skunk cabbage (*Lysichiton americanus*, OBL) and bog bean (*Menyanthes trifoliata*, OBL) with Douglas spirea along the fringes (Figure 3C & 3D).



**Figure 3. Typical vegetation communities observed throughout the project sites. A) Forest community with grand fir, red alder, and red osier dogwood. B) A calypso orchid in bloom along the wetland edge. C) Bog bean in bloom in a depressional wetland. D) A large community of western skunk cabbage under a canopy of grand fir and red alder.**

## 5. Results

Six discrete wetland units totaling 8.34 acres were identified in the study area. Wetlands were categorized into six types based on differences in vegetation community composition, hydrology, and geomorphic position. Locations of sample plots and potential wetland boundaries are presented in Appendix A, Figure 4. Descriptions of vegetation, soils, and hydrology in wetlands and adjacent uplands are based on the sample plot forms included in bold text in the following sections.

### 5.1 WETLAND A

**Wetland sample plots: 1A**

**Upland sample plots: 1B**

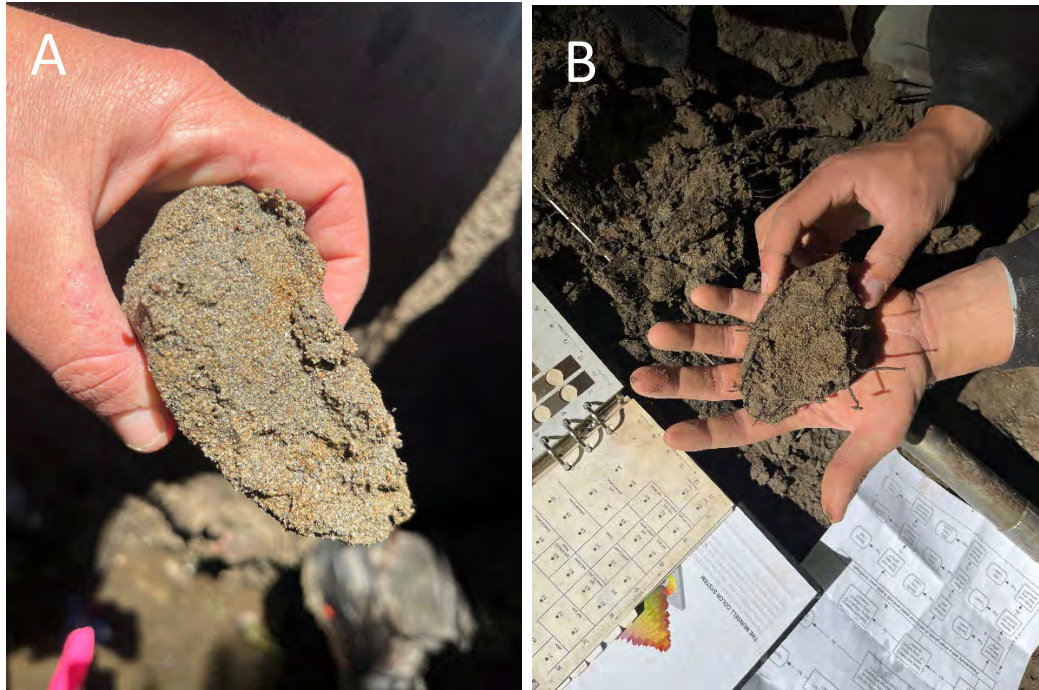
This wetland is comprised of emergent, scrub-shrub, and forested wetland patches totaling 0.88 acres (Appendix A, Figure 4; Appendix C; Appendix D). It is a category III riverine wetland and has formed in a high floodplain swale along the Chiwawa River. The wetland is in the 10-year floodplain. Its vegetation types were emergent, scrub/shrub, and forested. Classifications were made according to guidelines in the *Western Washington Wetland Rating Manual* (Hruby 2014).

The vegetation was sparse due to recent and historical flooding, ponded water, and scouring, with rough horsetail and grass species present at a total of 2% of cover. Closer to the river, there was a band of vegetation present, including substantial tree cover, particularly red alder and grand fir (Figure 4A). Adjacent upland areas contained vine maple, fragrant bedstraw, grand fir, false Solomon's seal, and high canopy cover of red alder. Red osier dogwood was also densely found in the sapling stratum (Figure 4B).



**Figure 4: A) Vegetation communities within wetland A. Wetland A was sparsely vegetated, recently scoured, with a small inlet next to the river. There was a band of established trees, mainly red alder and grand fir, that ran between the wetland and the river. B) More upland, the vegetation was denser, with large mature trees and a layered vegetation canopy. The high canopy consisted of red alder and grand fir, the shrub/scrub zone was populated with red osier dogwood and vine maple. The emergent zone was a diverse mix of plants including fragrant bedstraw, false Solomon's seal, and rough horsetail.**

Within wetland A, hydric soil indicators such as sandy redox and depleted matrix were found, including prominent concentrations and depletions occurring as soft masses and pore linings (Figure 5). Soil texture was loamy sand with the redox concentrations starting at a depth of 6 – 12 inches. Adjacent uplands lacked these indicators, and was well drained.



**Figure 5: A) Hydric soils within wetland A at SP1A showing prominent redox concentration indicator with both concentrations and depletions within the matrix. Concentrations occurred both in the matrix and in pore linings. B) Hydric soil and a depleted matrix were present at SP1B but was well drained.**

Wetland hydrology indicators were consistent with the above-described vegetation: a sparsely vegetated concave surface was present (see Figure 4A) with high saturation and a high-water table and evidence that the wetland’s geomorphic position along the adjacent Chiwawa river contributes to its creation.

The transition to upland areas was consistently marked by transitions in the vegetation community and elevation changes observable on the ground and in LiDAR data. Typically, the wetland areas were sparsely vegetated and had either surface water or were visibly saturated, and the upland areas included grand fir, red alder, and upland herbaceous plants. Aerial photographs and LiDAR elevation data were used in conjunction with GPS field data to delineate this wetland. Boundaries were delineated by following topography and field observations of wetland edges.

## 5.2 WETLAND B

**Wetland sample plot: 3A**

**Upland sample plot: 3B**

This wetland totals 0.3 acres (Figure 6; Appendix A, Figure 4; Appendix C). Morphology is characterized by its location on the downstream end of a point bar. Hydrology is driven by backwatering of the Chiwawa River. This wetland was classified as category II riverine due to its location within the 10-year floodplain and high habitat value (Appendix D). Vegetation in this wetland included two canopy layers of red alder (found in both tree and sapling strata), as well as rough horsetail and rose. The adjacent upland areas contained a similar vegetative community as well, including creeping red alder and rose (Figure 5B).



**Figure 6: Vegetation communities within wetland B. A) Wetland vegetation contained multiple canopy layers of red alder, found both in the tree and sapling strata. The river backwatered at this site with visible drift deposits and high saturation B) This photo was taken at the upland sample point. Vegetation was dense and a mix of upland and riparian species but was lacking hydric soils and hydrology features.**

Soils within wetland B were loamy/clayey at the 0–6-inch depths and sandy at the 6-12+ layer. The soils throughout were characteristically depleted matrix. A root complex was also present in the matrix. Adjacent uplands contained loam 10YR 4/2 and 5/2 soils but lacked the concentrations and associated hydric soil indicator found within the wetland.

Hydrology indicators included saturation at the surface, surface water, drift deposits and was located on a geomorphic position, at the downstream end of a point bar with backwatering from the Chiwawa river apparent. Adjacent uplands did not contain indicators of wetland hydrology.

The transition to upland areas was gradual and marked by subtle changes in topography observable on the ground and in LiDAR data. Typically, the depression wetland patches were comprised of rough horsetail and were sparsely vegetated in the herbaceous stratum, with a larger tree canopy containing red alder. Soils and hydrology shifted from wetland to upland along this gradient as well. LiDAR elevation data were used in conjunction with GPS field data to delineate this wetland. Boundaries were delineated by following topography and field observations of wetland edges.

### 5.3 WETLAND C

**Wetland sample plot: 5A**

**Upland sample plot: 5B**

This wetland totals 0.45 acres (Figure 7A; Appendix A, Figure 4; Appendix C). Morphology is characterized by its location immediately downslope from the river. Hydrology is driven by hyporheic flow. This wetland was classified as a category II riverine due to its location on the 10-year floodplain and high habitat value (Appendix D). Vegetation in this wetland included a red alder tree canopy found in both tree and sapling strata, as well as a willow shrub and a smattering of small herbaceous plant species. The tree canopy in the adjacent upland area became a mix of red alder and western redcedar (*Thuja plicata*) (Figure 7) with a sparse shrub cover of Oregon boxwood (*Paxistima myrsinites*) and a mostly unvegetated herbaceous emergent area.



**Figure 7** Vegetation communities within wetland C. **A)** Wetland vegetation was sparse on the ground, with a high canopy of red alder and western redcedar across both the wetland and upland sample plots. **B)** Western redcedar boughs bend down over the side of the river bank.

Soils within wetland C were homogenous throughout the soil profile, with a mucky loam/clay in the wetland plot. They had a depleted matrix and were loosely compacted. Defining hydric soil indicators present were 1 cm of muck, loamy/mucky mineral, and a depleted matrix. Adjacent uplands contained the same soil profile but had a restrictive river cobble layer at the depth of four inches.

Hydrology indicators included a sparsely vegetated concave surface and its geomorphic position along the river, containing a high flow back water channel fed by hyporheic flow. Adjacent uplands did not contain hydrology indicators.

The transition to upland areas was smooth and marked by subtle changes in topography observable on the ground and in LiDAR data. Throughout, the ground was sparsely vegetated in the herbaceous stratum, with a larger tree canopy containing red alder and western redcedar. Soils and hydrology shifted from wetland to upland along this gradient as well. LiDAR elevation data were used in conjunction with GPS field data to delineate this wetland. Boundaries were delineated by following topography and field observations of wetland edges.

#### **5.4 WETLAND D**

**Wetland sample plot: 4A**

**Upland sample plot: 4B**

This wetland totals 0.09 acres (Figure 8A; Appendix A, Figure 4; Appendix C). Morphology is characterized by the downstream end of plot being a closed depression. Hydrology across whole plot was seen in the observed high-water table across whole area and stand water in parts of wetland. This wetland was classified as category II riverine due to its location on the 10-year floodplain and location in a floodplain forest (Appendix D). Vegetation contained an obligate wetland species in the emergent stratum, the western skunk cabbage, covering almost a quarter of the area with a high canopy of red alder present as well. The upland area from this plot had a rich mix of vegetation across three strata, but lacked hydric soil and hydrology indicators (Figure 8).



**Figure 8** *Vegetation communities within wetland D. A) The wetland plot was lower in diversity than the upland plot but contained an obligate wetland species, western skunk cabbage, and visible standing water, along with saturated, mucky soils. B) The upland area from this plot had a rich mix of vegetation across three strata, including the lady fern (*Athyrium filix-femina*) present in this photo.*

The vegetation in this wetland was well established, and largely contained an obligate wetland species: the western skunk cabbage (Figure 8A) and had Douglas spirea present along its fringe. Although not directly high in diversity (only the tree and herb stratum had cover from 3 contributing species), the adjacent upland plot contained a mix of vegetation, with 10 different plant species, 6 of them which were present in the herb stratum, and 3 in the sapling stratum. This wetland was just over a small cliff from a large, sprawling 7.3-acre wetland whose proximity likely contributed to its high diversity of plant species (Wetland E).

The soil in this wetland was the only 10 YR 2/2 found in this project. It was mucky and highly saturated with a thick dark surface and hit two related hydric soil indicators (1 cm Muck and 2 cm Muck). In contrast, the paired upland plot was loamy/clayey in texture and had no observed muck.

For this plot, a high-water table was observed as well as visible standing water. Hydrological wetland indicators such as saturation, the FAC-Neutral test, and geomorphic position were present. The paired upland plot, 4B, had no primary hydrological indicators present.

This wetland followed a terrace toe that was approximately 10 feet wide at its widest and tapered at both ends. The transition was marked by subtle changes in topography observable on the ground and in LiDAR data. The downstream end was marked by a relatively closed depression. The wetland plot was lower in diversity than the upland plot but contained an obligate wetland species

and visible standing water, along with saturated, mucky soils. Soils and hydrology shifted from wetland to upland along this gradient as well, most apparent in the soil texture changes. LiDAR elevation data were used in conjunction with GPS field data to delineate this wetland. Boundaries were delineated by following topography and field observations of wetland edges.

## 5.5 WETLAND E

**Wetland sample plot: n/a, inferred from Wetland D, 'wetland edge' sample points collected in field, and based upon field-observed similarities**

**Upland sample plot: n/a, inferred from Wetland D, 'wetland edge' sample points collected in field, and based upon field-observed similarities**

This large wetland totals 7.30 acres (Figure 9A; Appendix A, Figure 4). The morphology is driven by the wetland's location in a large depression, upland from the river, and is a category III depressional wetland (Appendix D). Hydrology across the whole plot was largely connected to the open, standing water across much of the wetland. The pooled water was not large enough for migratory birds to land on, but did support a variety of insects and amphibians (Figure 9B). Vegetation included a thriving and robust community of western skunk cabbage, as well as sedges, bog bean, and floating plants. Wetland hydrology, soil, and vegetation were similar to wetland D. A unique sample plot for this wetland was not taken due to its similarity.



**Figure 9: Vegetative communities, hydrology, and wildlife within wetland D. A) The wetland plot had high diversity of plants across all the strata, including the presence of floating and submerged plants as well as bog bean and western skunk cabbage. B) The area also supported amphibians and insects, as seen in the underside of this western skunk cabbage leaf.**

## 5.6 WETLAND F

**Wetland sample plot: 6a**

**Upland sample plot: 6b**

This wetland totals 0.09 acres (Figure 10A; Appendix A, Figure 4; Appendix C) is 225 feet long, narrow (30 feet wide at its widest), and tapered and disconnected from the Chiwawa River at both ends. It is a category III riverine wetland (Appendix D) with visible saturation and the water table was present at 1 inch. This wetland was classified as riverine due to its location within the 10-year recurrence interval floodplain. The only stratum with vegetation for this wetland was the sapling stratum, the upland plots had vegetation in the herb stratum as well.

The wetland was sparsely vegetated, with only two species of plants visible in the sapling stratum, both had a wetland indicator status of FACW. The upland areas from this plot had mostly FACU wetland indicator status plants, with a slightly higher diversity, but lacked hydric soil and hydrology indicators.



**Figure 10: Vegetation communities and soils found within wetland F. A) The wetland plot contained visible standing water with sparse vegetative cover with facultative wet plant species in the sapling stratum B) The upland area from this wetland contained sandy soils, a unique feature to this wetland when compared to the other delineated wetlands.**

The soils between the upland and wetland plots were stark in contrast. The wetland plots had mucky loam/clay textures with root masses present in the soils, which created a restrictive layer. The upland soils were well drained with a sandy and silty texture after the first inch, the only sandy soils found in project area D (Figure 10B).

The hydrology indicators included sparsely vegetated concave surface and FAC-neutral test in the wetland plots. In the upland plots, there were no hydrology indicators present.

This wetland was thin and narrow and was the wetland furthest away from the active stream, possibly disconnected from recent flooding. The transition to upland was marked by subtle changes

in topography observable on the ground and in LiDAR data. Soils and hydrology shifted from wetland to upland along this gradient as well, most apparent in the soil texture changes, with sandy, well-drained soils present in the upland plots. LiDAR elevation data were used in conjunction with GPS field data to delineate this wetland. Boundaries were delineated by following topography and field observations of wetland edges.

## 6. Summary

In this study, a total of six discrete wetland units spanning 8.34 acres were identified and categorized based on differences in vegetation community composition, hydrology, and geomorphic position. The wetlands were designated as types A to F, each characterized by distinct features (Table 5). Wetland A, a category III riverine wetland, covered 0.88 acres and formed in a high floodplain swale along the Chiwawa River. It displayed sparse vegetation due to historical and recent flooding, with red alder and grand fir prevalent near the river. Wetland B, a category II riverine wetland of 0.3 acres, situated at the downstream end of a point bar, exhibited two canopy layers of red alder and rough horsetail. Wetland C, a category II riverine wetland of 0.45 acres, located downslope from the river, featured red alder and willow shrub in the tree canopy. Wetland D, also a category II riverine wetland, covered 0.09 acres and showed a closed depression morphology with an emergent stratum dominated by western skunk cabbage. Wetland E, a large category III depressional wetland of 7.30 acres, supported a diverse vegetation community, including western skunk cabbage, sedges, and bog bean. Lastly, wetland F, a category III riverine wetland of 0.09 acres, exhibited sparse vegetation with a sapling stratum consisting of facultative wet species. The transition to upland areas from the wetlands was marked by subtle topographical changes observable on the ground and LiDAR data. Soil and hydrology characteristics were distinct between wetlands and adjacent upland areas, with wetlands showing depleted matrix and prominent redox concentration indicators, while uplands were well-drained and lacked such indicators. The delineation of wetland boundaries was achieved by combining aerial photographs, LiDAR elevation data, and GPS field data, ensuring accurate identification and categorization of the wetland units.

**Table 5. Wetlands delineated within the study area.**

Wetland	HGM	Area (acres)	Rating
<b>A</b>	Riverine	0.11	III
<b>B</b>	Riverine	0.30	II
<b>C</b>	Riverine	0.45	II
<b>D</b>	Riverine	0.09	II
<b>E</b>	Depressional	7.30	III
<b>F</b>	Riverine	0.09	II

It's important to note that wetlands are regulated on federal, state, and local levels by the United States Army Corps of Engineers and the Washington State Department of Ecology. While this report presents the findings of wetland scientists based on their experience and best professional judgment, it does not constitute a jurisdictional determination of wetland boundaries or classifications. The final authority for determining wetland boundaries and regulations lies with the USACE and Ecology within the state of Washington. Therefore, before undertaking any project activities that could disturb the assessed wetlands, it is strongly recommended to forward this report to the appropriate agencies for concurrence.

## 7. References

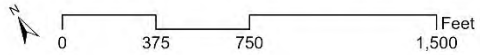
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## Appendix A: Figures Referenced in Wetland Report



# Study Area Overview Map Lower Chiwawa River Area D

Aerial Image taken on July 26, 2021



 Assessment Area



Figure A-1: Study area overview and location map.

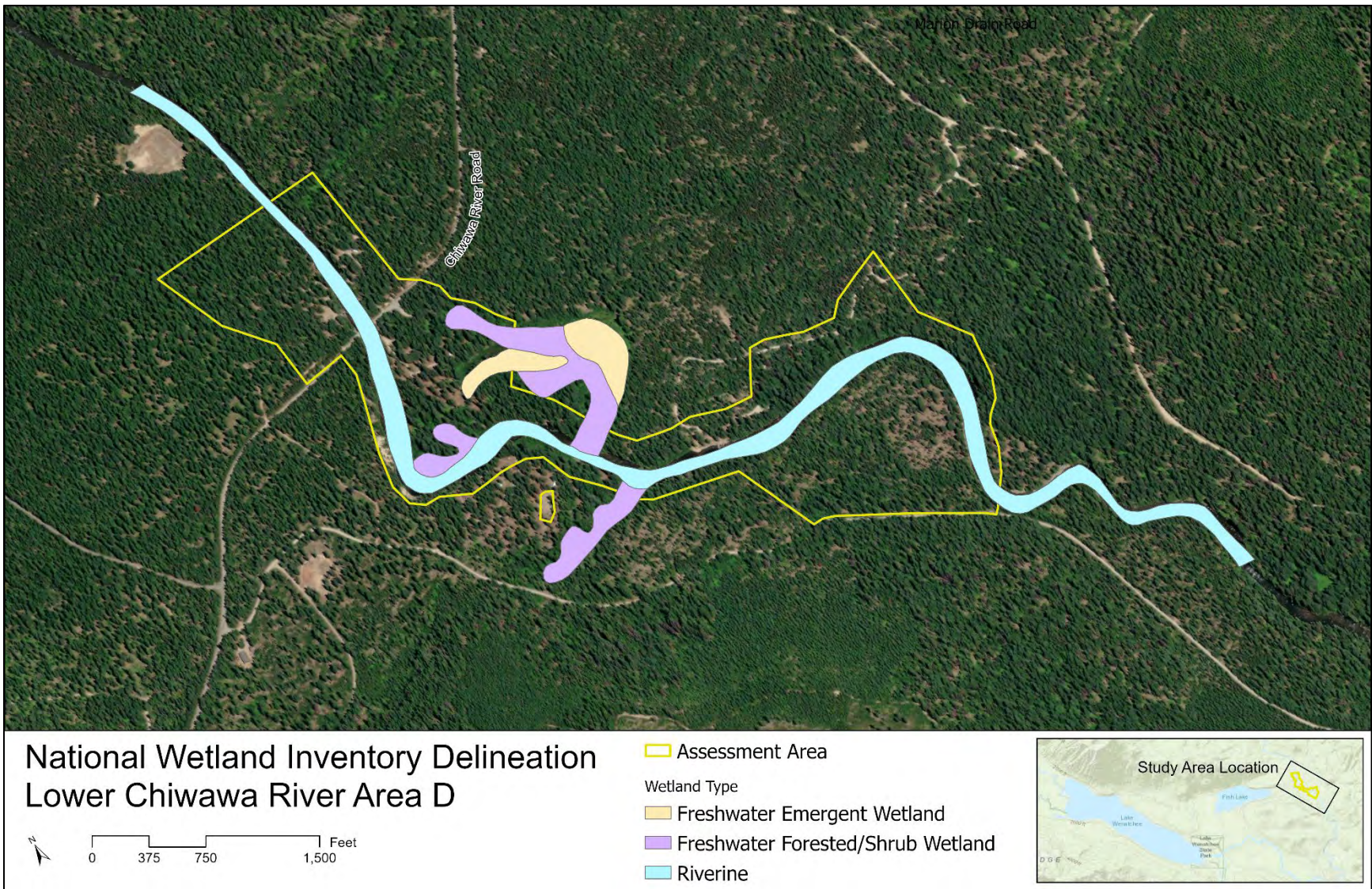


Figure A-2: NWI mapped in the vicinity of the study area.

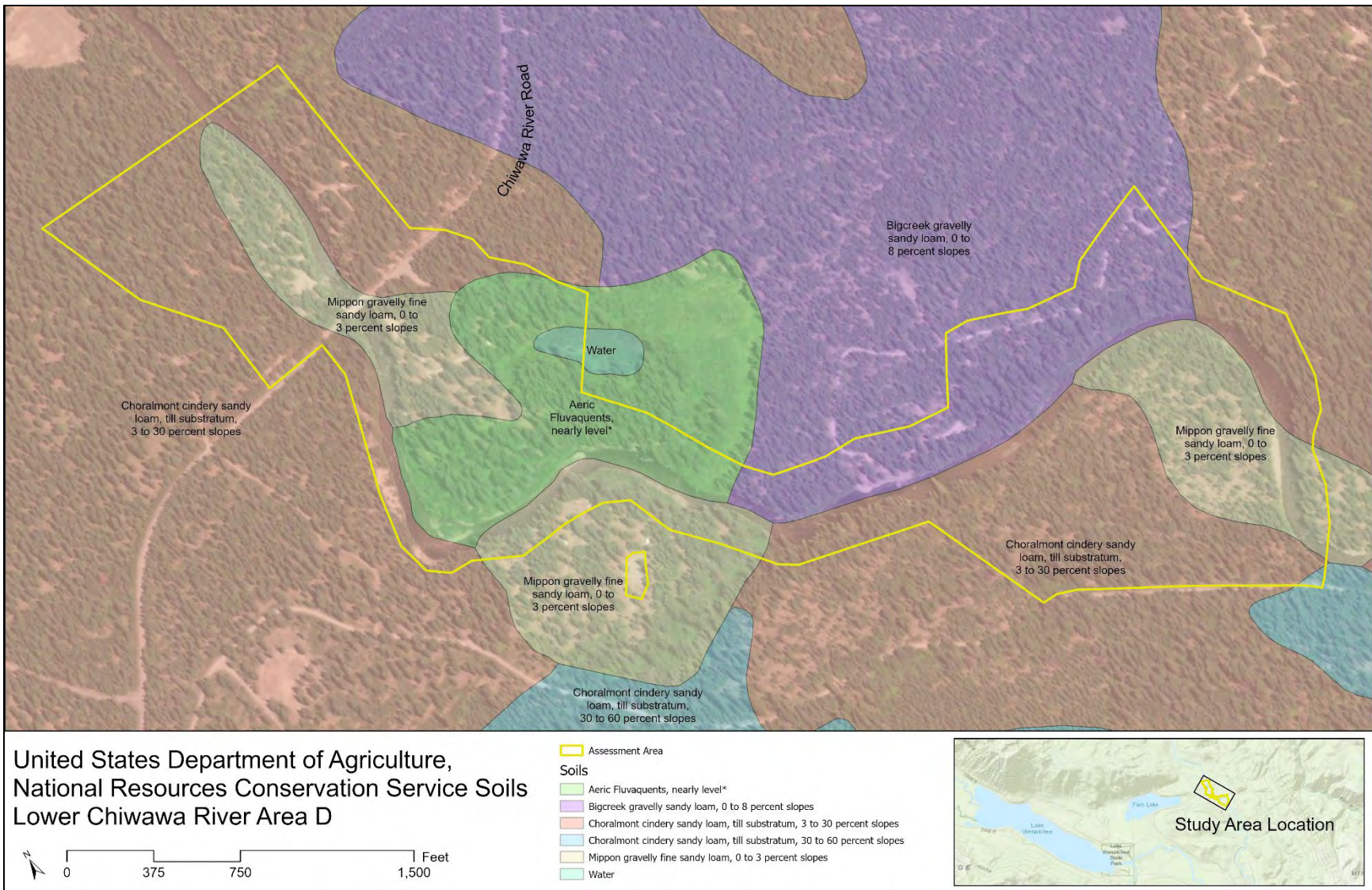


Figure A-3: NRC soils mapped in the vicinity of the study area.

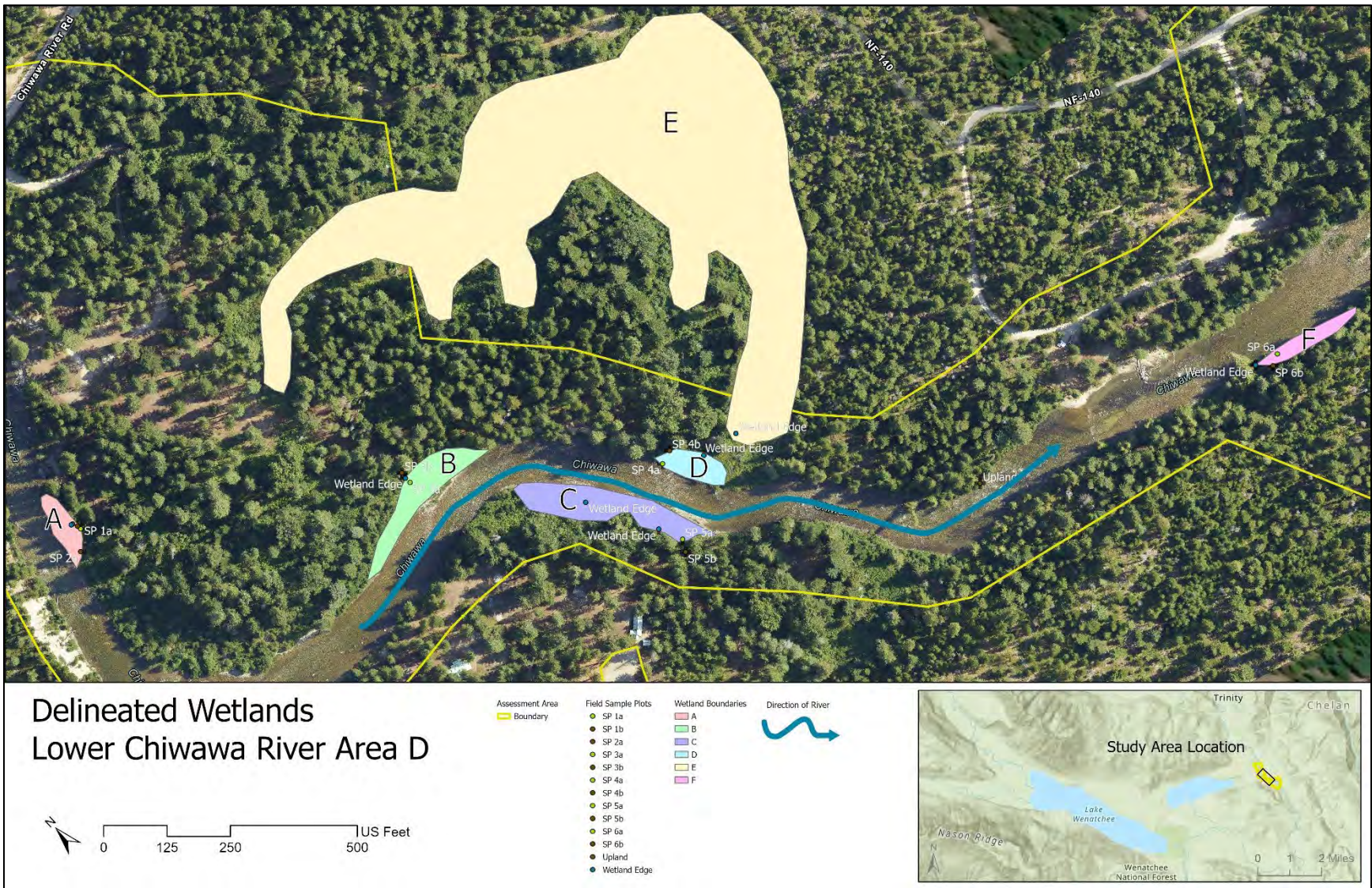


Figure A-4: Delineated wetlands in the study are

## Appendix B: Figures Used to Complete Wetland Ratings for WDOE

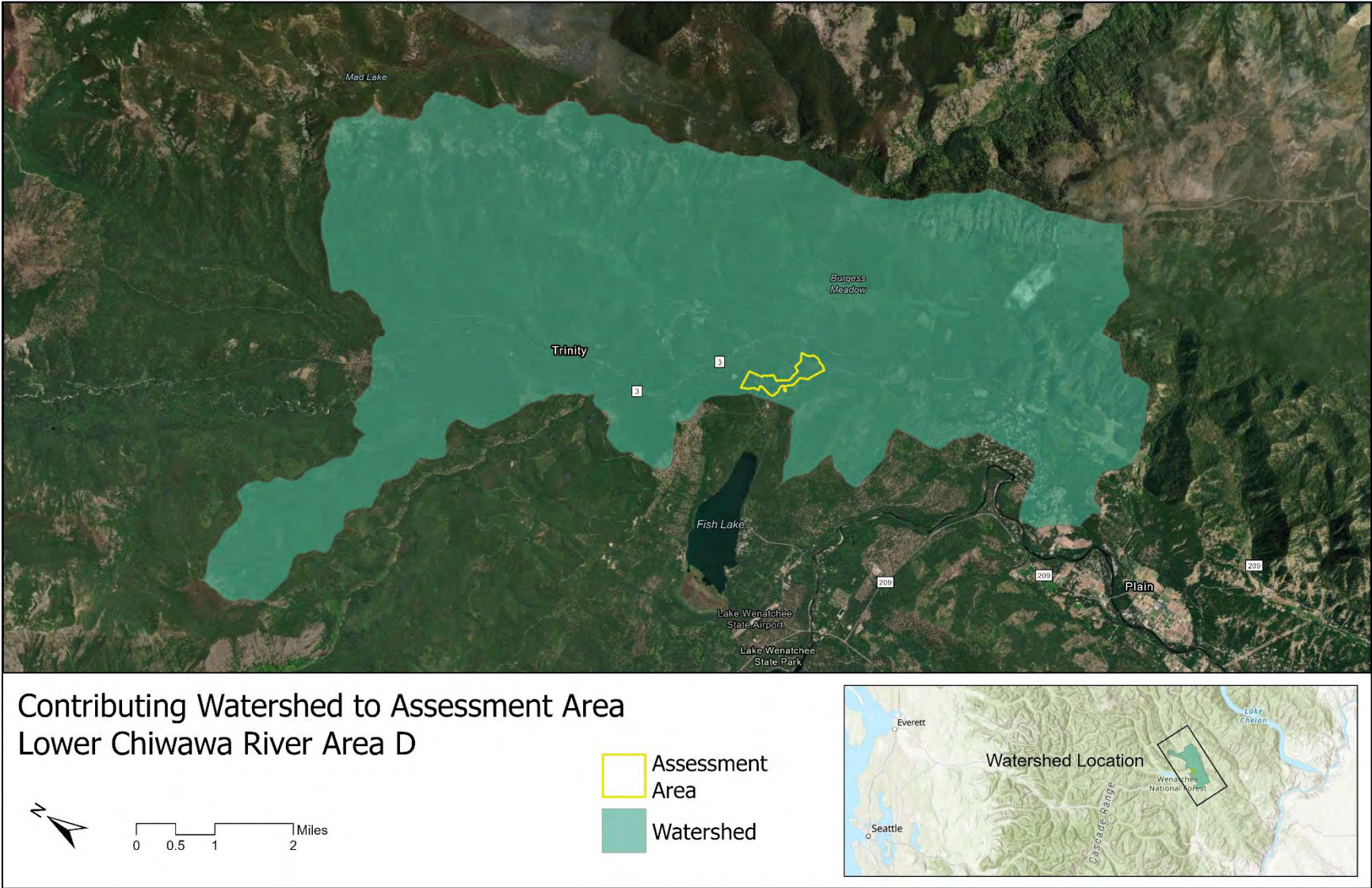
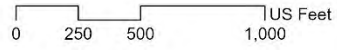


Figure B-1: Contributing watershed to the study area.



**150-Foot Wetland Buffer  
Lower Chiwawa River Area D**



- Wetland Boundaries
- 150-foot buffer
- Assessment Area



Figure B-2: 150-foot buffer around wetlands mapped in the study area.

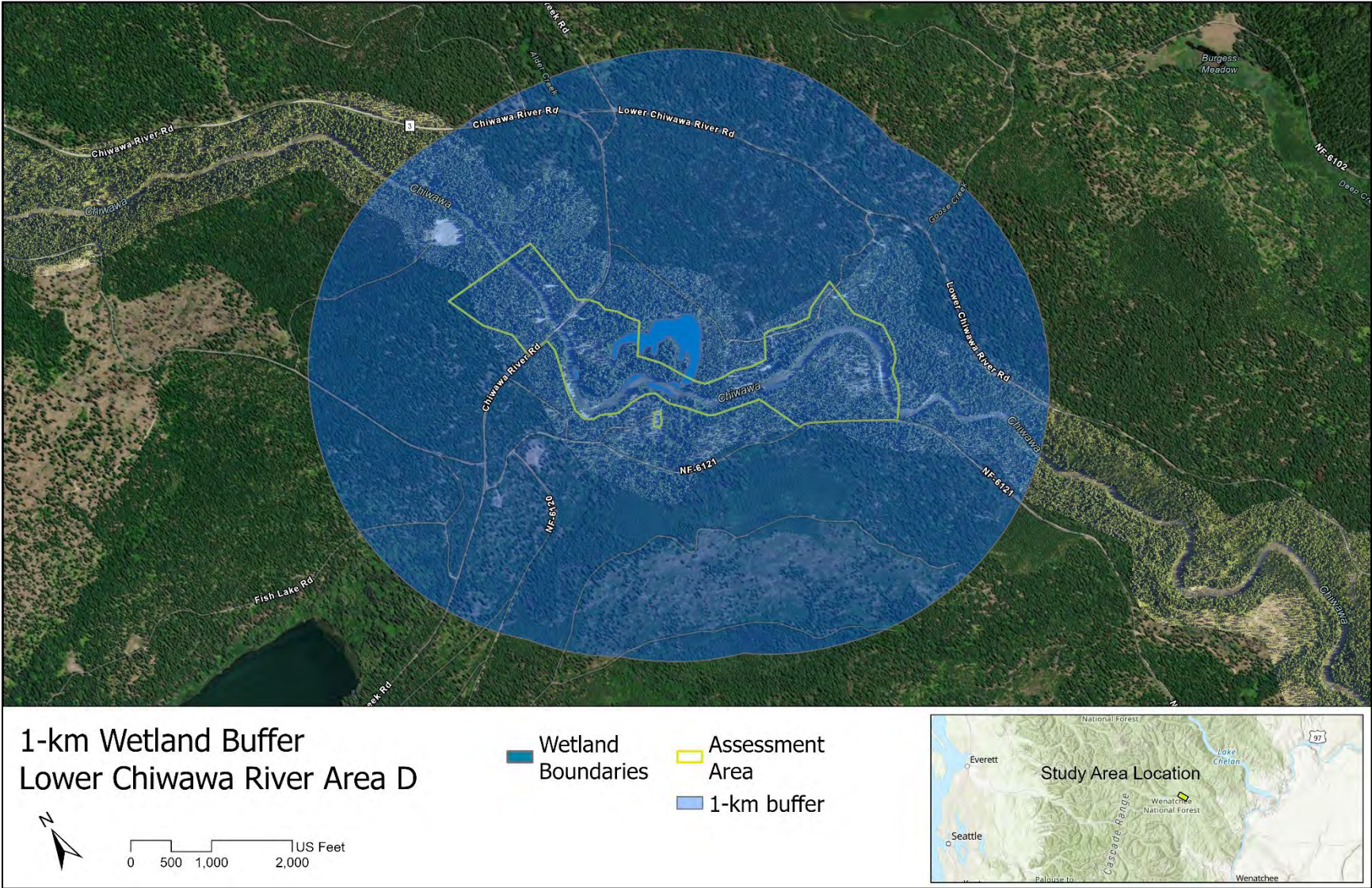
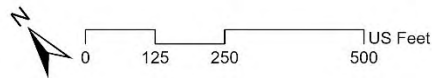


Figure B-3: 1-km buffer around wetlands mapped in the study area.



### Cowardin Vegetation Classification Lower Chiwawa River Area D



Cowardin Class (ft)	Delineated Wetlands
Bareground: 0.001 - 3.5	
Emergent: 3.501 - 7.5	
Scrub / Shrub: 7.501 - 23.5	
Forest: 23.501 - 204.916	



Figure B-4: Cowardin vegetation classification based on updated topobathy LiDAR analysis. Bareground class was 'bumped' up to 3.5 feet to adjust the topobathy lidar to height of water.

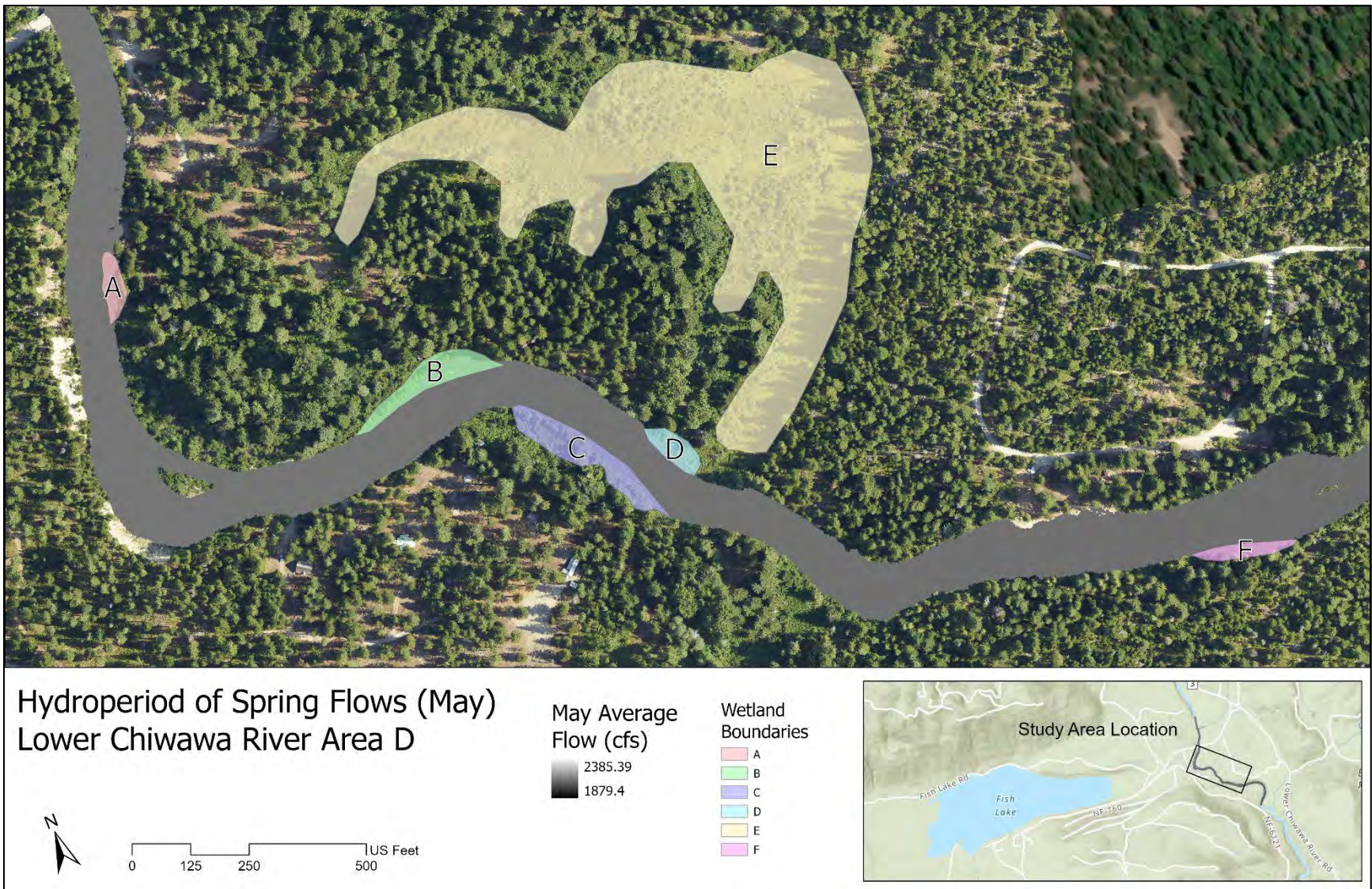


Figure B-5: Hydroperiods for spring flows (May) in wetlands mapped in the study area.

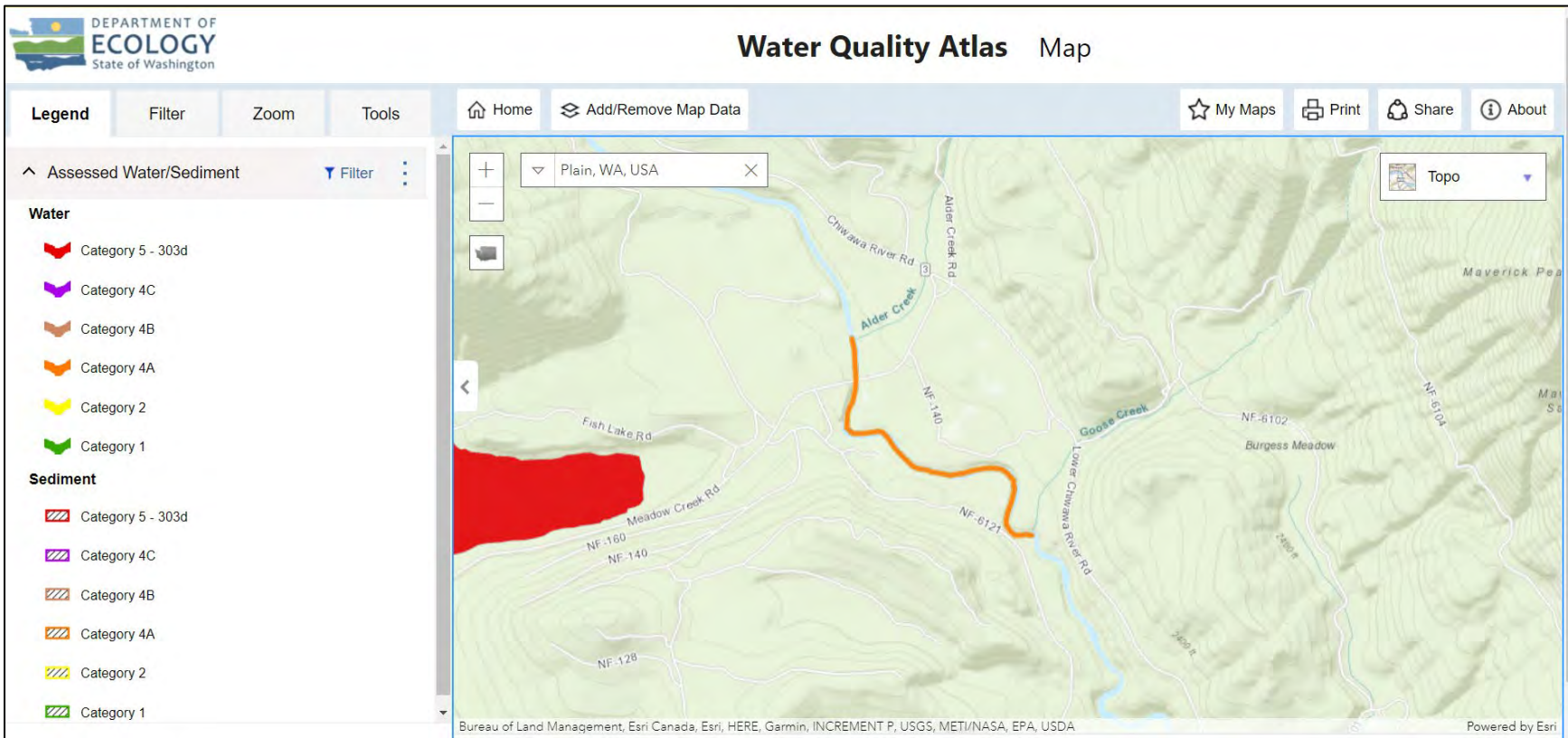



Figure B-6: Screen capture of WDOE website 303 (d) map for the study area, needed to complete WDOE wetland ratings.


**Washington State Water Quality Assessment**  
 303(d)(305)(b) List

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Category 3 listings contain data insufficient in determining water quality, therefore are removed from your results. [Include these 3 omitted listings.](#)

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### Search Results - 12 Matched Listings

Listing ID	AU ID	Medium	Parameter	Category	Waterbody Name	WRIA	WQ Improvement Project	WQ Atlas Map Link
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<a href="#">View</a> 9668	17020011000140_001_001	Water	pH	4A	CHIWAHA RIVER	45-Wenatchee	<a href="#">Wenatchee River Watershed Multiparameter TMDL</a>	<a href="#">9668</a>
<a href="#">View</a> 9669	17020011000140_001_001	Water	Temperature	2	CHIWAHA RIVER	45-Wenatchee	<a href="#">Wenatchee River Watershed Temperature TMDL</a>	<a href="#">9669</a>
<a href="#">View</a> 10065	17020011000140_001_001	Water	Bacteria - Fecal coliform	1	CHIWAHA RIVER	45-Wenatchee	<a href="#">Wenatchee River Basin Bacteria TMDL</a>	<a href="#">10065</a>
<a href="#">View</a> 39356	17020011000139_001_001	Water	Temperature	4A	CHIWAHA RIVER	45-Wenatchee	<a href="#">Wenatchee River Watershed Temperature TMDL</a>	<a href="#">39356</a>
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<a href="#">View</a> 39361	17020011002315_001_001	Water	Temperature	1	CHIWAHA RIVER	45-Wenatchee	<a href="#">Wenatchee River Watershed Temperature TMDL</a>	<a href="#">39361</a>
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Figure B-7: Screen capture of WDOE state water quality assessments TMDL's for the study area, needed to complete WDOE wetland ratings.

## Appendix C: USACE data sheets

**U.S. Army Corps of Engineers**  
**WETLAND DETERMINATION DATA SHEET – Western Mountains, Valleys, and Coast Region**  
 See ERDC/EL TR-10-3; the proponent agency is CECW-CO-R

OMB Control #: 0710-0024, Exp: 11/30/2024  
 Requirement Control Symbol EXEMPT:  
 (Authority: AR 335-15, paragraph 5-2a)

Project/Site: Chiwawa Area D City/County: Chelan County Sampling Date: 5/23/2023  
 Applicant/Owner: Chelan County State: WA Sampling Point: SP1a  
 Investigator(s): Emily Alcott, Owen Ryerson, Jes Braun Section, Township, Range: S13, T27N, R17E  
 Landform (hillside, terrace, etc.): Floodplain Local relief (concave, convex, none): Convex Slope (%): 1.4  
 Subregion (LRR): LRR A, MLRA 6 Lat: 1,599,658.01E Long: 914,525.39N Datum: D NAD 1983 2011  
 Soil Map Unit Name: 67310-Aeric Fluvaquents, nearly level\* NWI classification: R3UBH-Riverine  
 Are climatic / hydrologic conditions on the site typical for this time of year? Yes X No      (If no, explain in Remarks.)  
 Are Vegetation     , Soil     , or Hydrology      significantly disturbed? Are "Normal Circumstances" present? Yes X 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 <u>X</u> No <u>    </u>	Hydric Soil Present? Yes <u>X</u> No <u>    </u>	Wetland Hydrology Present? Yes <u>X</u> No <u>    </u>	Is the Sampled Area within a Wetland? Yes <u>X</u> No <u>    </u>
Remarks: Sample plot paired with SP1b. Located on sparsely vegetated high flow floodplain swale. Standing water observed down slope of sample plot. Adjacent Chiwawa river is experiencing high flows. Prominent redox concentrations observed.			

**VEGETATION – Use scientific names of plants.**

Tree Stratum	(Plot size: <u>15 feet</u> )	Absolute % Cover	Dominant Species?	Indicator Status
1. <u>None</u>				
2. _____				
3. _____				
4. _____				
=Total Cover				
Sapling/Shrub Stratum	(Plot size: <u>10 feet</u> )			
1. <u>None</u>				
2. _____				
3. _____				
4. _____				
5. _____				
=Total Cover				
Herb Stratum	(Plot size: <u>5 feet</u> )			
1. <u>Poa sp.</u>		<u>1</u>	<u>Yes</u>	<u>UPL</u>
2. <u>Equisetum hymale</u>		<u>1</u>	<u>Yes</u>	<u>FACW</u>
3. _____				
4. _____				
5. _____				
6. _____				
7. _____				
8. _____				
9. _____				
10. _____				
11. _____				
=Total Cover				
Woody Vine Stratum	(Plot size: _____)			
1. <u>None</u>				
2. _____				
=Total Cover				
% Bare Ground in Herb Stratum <u>98</u>				

**Dominance Test worksheet:**  
 Number of Dominant Species That Are OBL, FACW, or FAC: 1 (A)  
 Total Number of Dominant Species Across All Strata: 2 (B)  
 Percent of Dominant Species That Are OBL, FACW, or FAC: 50.0% (A/B)

**Prevalence Index worksheet:**  
 Total % Cover of: \_\_\_\_\_ Multiply by: \_\_\_\_\_  
 OBL species 0 x 1 = 0  
 FACW species 1 x 2 = 2  
 FAC species 0 x 3 = 0  
 FACU species 0 x 4 = 0  
 UPL species 1 x 5 = 5  
 Column Totals: 2 (A) 7 (B)  
 Prevalence Index = B/A = 3.50

**Hydrophytic Vegetation Indicators:**  
1 - Rapid Test for Hydrophytic Vegetation  
2 - Dominance Test is >50%  
3 - Prevalence Index is ≤3.0<sup>1</sup>  
4 - Morphological Adaptations<sup>1</sup> (Provide supporting data in Remarks or on a separate sheet)  
5 - Wetland Non-Vascular Plants<sup>1</sup>  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Problematic Hydrophytic Vegetation<sup>1</sup> (Explain)  
<sup>1</sup>Indicators of hydric soil and wetland hydrology must be present, unless disturbed or problematic.

**Hydrophytic Vegetation Present?** Yes X No

Remarks:  
 Vegetation sparse and appears frequently scoured by Chiwawa River flows.



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Project/Site: Chiwawa Area D City/County: Chelan County Sampling Date: 5/23/2023  
 Applicant/Owner: Chelan County State: WA Sampling Point: SP1b  
 Investigator(s): Emily Alcott, Owen Ryerson, Jes Braun Section, Township, Range: S13, T27N, R17E  
 Landform (hillside, terrace, etc.): Floodplain Local relief (concave, convex, none): None Slope (%): 1.4  
 Subregion (LRR): LRR A, MLRA 6 Lat: 1,599,65E Long: 914,533.21N Datum: NAD 1983 2011  
 Soil Map Unit Name: 67310-Aeric Fluvaquents, nearly level\* NWI classification: R3UBH-Riverine

Are climatic / hydrologic conditions on the site typical for this time of year? Yes X No      (If no, explain in Remarks.)  
 Are Vegetation     , Soil     , or Hydrology      significantly disturbed? Are "Normal Circumstances" present? Yes X 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 <u>X</u> No <u>    </u>	Is the Sampled Area within a Wetland? Yes <u>    </u> No <u>X</u>
Hydric Soil Present? Yes <u>X</u> No <u>    </u>	
Wetland Hydrology Present? Yes <u>    </u> No <u>X</u>	
Remarks: Sample plot paired with SP1a. Located on sparsely vegetated high flow floodplain swale.	

**VEGETATION – Use scientific names of plants.**

Tree Stratum (Plot size: <u>15 feet</u> )	Absolute % Cover	Dominant Species?	Indicator Status	<b>Dominance Test worksheet:</b> 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>100.0%</u> (A/B)
1. <u>None</u>				
2. <u>    </u>				
3. <u>    </u>				
4. <u>    </u>				
=Total Cover				
Sapling/Shrub Stratum (Plot size: <u>10 feet</u> )	Absolute % Cover	Dominant Species?	Indicator Status	<b>Prevalence Index worksheet:</b> Total % Cover of:      Multiply by: OBL species <u>    </u> x 1 = <u>    </u> FACW species <u>    </u> x 2 = <u>    </u> FAC species <u>    </u> x 3 = <u>    </u> FACU species <u>    </u> x 4 = <u>    </u> UPL species <u>    </u> x 5 = <u>    </u> Column Totals: <u>    </u> (A) <u>    </u> (B) Prevalence Index = B/A = <u>    </u>
1. <u>Acer circinatum</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>Yes</u>	<u>FAC</u>	
2. <u>    </u>				
3. <u>    </u>				
4. <u>    </u>				
5. <u>    </u>				
=Total Cover				
Herb Stratum (Plot size: <u>5 feet</u> )	Absolute % Cover	Dominant Species?	Indicator Status	<b>Hydrophytic Vegetation Indicators:</b> <u>    </u> 1 - Rapid Test for Hydrophytic Vegetation <u>X</u> 2 - Dominance Test is >50% <u>    </u> 3 - Prevalence Index is ≤3.0 <sup>1</sup> <u>    </u> 4 - Morphological Adaptations <sup>1</sup> (Provide supporting data in Remarks or on a separate sheet) <u>    </u> 5 - Wetland Non-Vascular Plants <sup>1</sup> <u>    </u> Problematic Hydrophytic Vegetation <sup>1</sup> (Explain) <sup>1</sup> Indicators of hydric soil and wetland hydrology must be present, unless disturbed or problematic.
1. <u>None</u>				
2. <u>    </u>				
3. <u>    </u>				
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10. <u>    </u>				
11. <u>    </u>				
=Total Cover				
Woody Vine Stratum (Plot size: <u>    </u> )	Absolute % Cover	Dominant Species?	Indicator Status	<b>Hydrophytic Vegetation Present?</b> Yes <u>X</u> No <u>    </u>
1. <u>None</u>				
2. <u>    </u>				
=Total Cover				
% Bare Ground in Herb Stratum <u>98</u>				
Remarks: Vegetation sparse and appears frequently scoured				



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 Landform (hillside, terrace, etc.): Floodplain Local relief (concave, convex, none): None Slope (%): 0.3  
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Hydric Soil Present? Yes <u>    </u> No <u>X</u>	
Wetland Hydrology Present? Yes <u>X</u> No <u>    </u>	

Remarks:  
 Plot is not paired. Wetland indicators not observed. Hydrology due to recent/active flooding. Soils appear too well drained to support wetland soil conditions.

**VEGETATION – Use scientific names of plants.**

Tree Stratum (Plot size: <u>15 feet</u> )	Absolute % Cover	Dominant Species?	Indicator Status	Dominance Test worksheet: Number of Dominant Species That Are OBL, FACW, or FAC: <u>6</u> (A) Total Number of Dominant Species Across All Strata: <u>9</u> (B) Percent of Dominant Species That Are OBL, FACW, or FAC: <u>66.7%</u> (A/B)
1. <u>Alnus rubra</u>	<u>60</u>	<u>Yes</u>	<u>FAC</u>	
2. <u>    </u>	<u>    </u>	<u>    </u>	<u>    </u>	
3. <u>    </u>	<u>    </u>	<u>    </u>	<u>    </u>	
4. <u>    </u>	<u>    </u>	<u>    </u>	<u>    </u>	
	<u>60</u> =Total Cover			
Sapling/Shrub Stratum (Plot size: <u>10 feet</u> )	Absolute % Cover	Dominant Species?	Indicator Status	Prevalence Index worksheet: Total % Cover of: <u>    </u> Multiply by: OBL species <u>    </u> x 1 = <u>    </u> FACW species <u>    </u> x 2 = <u>    </u> FAC species <u>    </u> x 3 = <u>    </u> FACU species <u>    </u> x 4 = <u>    </u> UPL species <u>    </u> x 5 = <u>    </u> Column Totals: <u>    </u> (A) <u>    </u> (B) Prevalence Index = B/A = <u>    </u>
1. <u>Cornus sericea</u>	<u>25</u>	<u>Yes</u>	<u>FACW</u>	
2. <u>Abies grandis</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>No</u>	<u>FACU</u>	
3. <u>Alnus rubra</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>No</u>	<u>FAC</u>	
4. <u>    </u>	<u>    </u>	<u>    </u>	<u>    </u>	
5. <u>    </u>	<u>    </u>	<u>    </u>	<u>    </u>	
	<u>33</u> =Total Cover			
Herb Stratum (Plot size: <u>5 feet</u> )	Absolute % Cover	Dominant Species?	Indicator Status	Hydrophytic Vegetation Indicators: <u>    </u> 1 - Rapid Test for Hydrophytic Vegetation <u>X</u> 2 - Dominance Test is >50% <u>    </u> 3 - Prevalence Index is ≤3.0 <sup>1</sup> <u>    </u> 4 - Morphological Adaptations <sup>1</sup> (Provide supporting data in Remarks or on a separate sheet) <u>    </u> 5 - Wetland Non-Vascular Plants <sup>1</sup> <u>    </u> Problematic Hydrophytic Vegetation <sup>1</sup> (Explain) <sup>1</sup> Indicators of hydric soil and wetland hydrology must be present, unless disturbed or problematic.
1. <u>Galium triflorum</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>Yes</u>	<u>FACU</u>	
2. <u>Equisetum hyemale</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>Yes</u>	<u>FACW</u>	
3. <u>Maianthemum stellatum</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>Yes</u>	<u>FAC</u>	
4. <u>Circaea alpina</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>Yes</u>	<u>FAC</u>	
5. <u>Poa spp</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>Yes</u>	<u>UPL</u>	
6. <u>Rubus parviflorus</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>Yes</u>	<u>FACU</u>	
7. <u>Mertensia paniculata</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>Yes</u>	<u>FAC</u>	
8. <u>    </u>	<u>    </u>	<u>    </u>	<u>    </u>	
9. <u>    </u>	<u>    </u>	<u>    </u>	<u>    </u>	
10. <u>    </u>	<u>    </u>	<u>    </u>	<u>    </u>	
11. <u>    </u>	<u>    </u>	<u>    </u>	<u>    </u>	
	<u>10</u> =Total Cover			
Woody Vine Stratum (Plot size: <u>5</u> )	Absolute % Cover	Dominant Species?	Indicator Status	Hydrophytic Vegetation Present? Yes <u>X</u> No <u>    </u>
1. <u>Rubus ursinus</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>No</u>	<u>FACU</u>	
2. <u>    </u>	<u>    </u>	<u>    </u>	<u>    </u>	
	<u>1</u> =Total Cover			
% Bare Ground in Herb Stratum <u>90</u>				

Remarks:  
 Transitional plant community. Recently flooded.



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**WETLAND DETERMINATION DATA SHEET – Western Mountains, Valleys, and Coast Region**  
 See ERDC/EL TR-10-3; the proponent agency is CECW-CO-R

OMB Control #: 0710-0024, Exp: 11/30/2024  
 Requirement Control Symbol EXEMPT:  
 (Authority: AR 335-15, paragraph 5-2a)

Project/Site: Chiwawa Area D City/County: Chelan County Sampling Date: 5/23/2023  
 Applicant/Owner: Chelan County State: WA Sampling Point: SP3a  
 Investigator(s): Emily Alcott, Owen Ryerson, Jes Braun Section, Township, Range: S13, T27N, R17E  
 Landform (hillside, terrace, etc.): Floodplain Local relief (concave, convex, none): None Slope (%): 1.7  
 Subregion (LRR): LRR A, MLRA 6 Lat: 1,600,194.26E Long: 914,148.09N Datum: D NAD 1983 2011  
 Soil Map Unit Name: 67310-Aeric Fluvaquents, nearly level\* NWI classification: R3UBH-Riverine

Are climatic / hydrologic conditions on the site typical for this time of year? Yes X No      (If no, explain in Remarks.)  
 Are Vegetation     , Soil     , or Hydrology      significantly disturbed? Are "Normal Circumstances" present? Yes X 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 <u>X</u> No <u>    </u>	Is the Sampled Area within a Wetland? Yes <u>X</u> No <u>    </u>
Hydic Soil Present? Yes <u>X</u> No <u>    </u>	
Wetland Hydrology Present? Yes <u>X</u> No <u>    </u>	
Remarks: Plot is paired with upland SP3b. It is located at the downstream end of a point bar and is adjacent to surface water. River appears to backwater at plot.	

**VEGETATION – Use scientific names of plants.**

Tree Stratum (Plot size: <u>15 feet</u> )	Absolute % Cover	Dominant Species?	Indicator Status	<b>Dominance Test worksheet:</b> 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>100.0%</u> (A/B)
1. <u>Alnus rubra</u>	<u>60</u>	<u>Yes</u>	<u>FAC</u>	
2. <u>    </u>	<u>    </u>	<u>    </u>	<u>    </u>	
3. <u>    </u>	<u>    </u>	<u>    </u>	<u>    </u>	
4. <u>    </u>	<u>    </u>	<u>    </u>	<u>    </u>	
	<u>60</u> =Total Cover			
Sapling/Shrub Stratum (Plot size: <u>10 feet</u> )	Absolute % Cover	Dominant Species?	Indicator Status	<b>Prevalence Index worksheet:</b> Total % Cover of:      Multiply by: OBL species <u>    </u> x 1 = <u>    </u> FACW species <u>    </u> x 2 = <u>    </u> FAC species <u>    </u> x 3 = <u>    </u> FACU species <u>    </u> x 4 = <u>    </u> UPL species <u>    </u> x 5 = <u>    </u> Column Totals: <u>    </u> (A) <u>    </u> (B) Prevalence Index = B/A = <u>    </u>
1. <u>Alnus rubra</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>Yes</u>	<u>FAC</u>	
2. <u>    </u>	<u>    </u>	<u>    </u>	<u>    </u>	
3. <u>    </u>	<u>    </u>	<u>    </u>	<u>    </u>	
4. <u>    </u>	<u>    </u>	<u>    </u>	<u>    </u>	
5. <u>    </u>	<u>    </u>	<u>    </u>	<u>    </u>	
	<u>5</u> =Total Cover			
Herb Stratum (Plot size: <u>5 feet</u> )	Absolute % Cover	Dominant Species?	Indicator Status	<b>Hydrophytic Vegetation Indicators:</b> <u>    </u> 1 - Rapid Test for Hydrophytic Vegetation <u>X</u> 2 - Dominance Test is >50% <u>    </u> 3 - Prevalence Index is ≤3.0 <sup>1</sup> <u>    </u> 4 - Morphological Adaptations <sup>1</sup> (Provide supporting data in Remarks or on a separate sheet) <u>    </u> 5 - Wetland Non-Vascular Plants <sup>1</sup> <u>    </u> Problematic Hydrophytic Vegetation <sup>1</sup> (Explain) <sup>1</sup> Indicators of hydric soil and wetland hydrology must be present, unless disturbed or problematic.
1. <u>Equisetum hyemale</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>No</u>	<u>FACW</u>	
2. <u>Rosa nutkana</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>No</u>	<u>FACU</u>	
3. <u>    </u>	<u>    </u>	<u>    </u>	<u>    </u>	
4. <u>    </u>	<u>    </u>	<u>    </u>	<u>    </u>	
5. <u>    </u>	<u>    </u>	<u>    </u>	<u>    </u>	
6. <u>    </u>	<u>    </u>	<u>    </u>	<u>    </u>	
7. <u>    </u>	<u>    </u>	<u>    </u>	<u>    </u>	
8. <u>    </u>	<u>    </u>	<u>    </u>	<u>    </u>	
9. <u>    </u>	<u>    </u>	<u>    </u>	<u>    </u>	
10. <u>    </u>	<u>    </u>	<u>    </u>	<u>    </u>	
11. <u>    </u>	<u>    </u>	<u>    </u>	<u>    </u>	
	<u>4</u> =Total Cover			
Woody Vine Stratum (Plot size: <u>5</u> )	Absolute % Cover	Dominant Species?	Indicator Status	<b>Hydrophytic Vegetation Present?</b> Yes <u>X</u> No <u>    </u>
1. <u>None</u>	<u>    </u>	<u>    </u>	<u>    </u>	
2. <u>    </u>	<u>    </u>	<u>    </u>	<u>    </u>	
	<u>    </u> =Total Cover			
% Bare Ground in Herb Stratum <u>96</u>				
Remarks: Plot located at downstream end of point bar.				

**SOIL**

Sampling Point: SP3a

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 <sup>1</sup>	Loc <sup>2</sup>		
0-6	10YR 3/2	100					Loamy/Clayey	
6-12	10YR 4/2	100					Sandy	
<sup>1</sup> Type: C=Concentration, D=Depletion, RM=Reduced Matrix, CS=Covered or Coated Sand Grains. <sup>2</sup> Location: PL=Pore Lining, M=Matrix.								
Hydric Soil Indicators: (Applicable to all LRRs, unless otherwise noted.)				Indicators for Problematic Hydric Soils <sup>3</sup> :				
<input type="checkbox"/> Histosol (A1)				<input type="checkbox"/> Sandy Gleyed Matrix (S4)	<input type="checkbox"/> 2 cm Muck (A10) (LRR A, E)			
<input type="checkbox"/> Histic Epipedon (A2)				<input type="checkbox"/> Sandy Redox (S5)	<input type="checkbox"/> Iron-Manganese Masses (F12) (LRR D)			
<input type="checkbox"/> Black Histic (A3)				<input type="checkbox"/> Stripped Matrix (S6)	<input type="checkbox"/> Red Parent Material (F21)			
<input type="checkbox"/> Hydrogen Sulfide (A4)				<input type="checkbox"/> Loamy Mucky Mineral (F1) (except MLRA 1)	<input type="checkbox"/> Very Shallow Dark Surface (F22)			
<input type="checkbox"/> 1 cm Muck (A9) (LRR D, G)				<input type="checkbox"/> Loamy Gleyed Matrix (F2)	<input type="checkbox"/> Other (Explain in Remarks)			
<input type="checkbox"/> Depleted Below Dark Surface (A11)				<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Depleted Matrix (F3)				
<input type="checkbox"/> Thick Dark Surface (A12)				<input type="checkbox"/> Redox Dark Surface (F6)	<sup>3</sup> Indicators of hydrophytic vegetation and			
<input type="checkbox"/> Sandy Mucky Mineral (S1)				<input type="checkbox"/> Depleted Dark Surface (F7)	wetland hydrology must be present,			
<input type="checkbox"/> 2.5 cm Mucky Peat or Peat (S2) (LRR G)				<input type="checkbox"/> Redox Depressions (F8)	unless disturbed or problematic.			
<b>Restrictive Layer (if observed):</b>								
Type: _____								
Depth (inches): _____				Hydric Soil Present?    Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>				
Remarks: Hydric soils present at 6 inches. Root complex also present in the matrix.								

**HYDROLOGY**

Wetland Hydrology Indicators:			
Primary Indicators (minimum of one is required; check all that apply)		Secondary Indicators (2 or more required)	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Surface Water (A1)	<input type="checkbox"/> Water-Stained Leaves (B9) (except MLRA 1, 2, 4A, and 4B)	<input type="checkbox"/> Water-Stained Leaves (B9) (MLRA 1, 2, 4A, and 4B)	
<input type="checkbox"/> High Water Table (A2)	<input type="checkbox"/> Salt Crust (B11)	<input type="checkbox"/> Drainage Patterns (B10)	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Saturation (A3)	<input type="checkbox"/> Aquatic Invertebrates (B13)	<input type="checkbox"/> Dry-Season Water Table (C2)	
<input type="checkbox"/> Water Marks (B1)	<input type="checkbox"/> Hydrogen Sulfide Odor (C1)	<input type="checkbox"/> Saturation Visible on Aerial Imagery (C9)	
<input type="checkbox"/> Sediment Deposits (B2)	<input type="checkbox"/> Oxidized Rhizospheres on Living Roots (C3)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Geomorphic Position (D2)	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Drift Deposits (B3)	<input type="checkbox"/> Presence of Reduced Iron (C4)	<input type="checkbox"/> Shallow Aquitard (D3)	
<input type="checkbox"/> Algal Mat or Crust (B4)	<input type="checkbox"/> Recent Iron Reduction in Tilled Soils (C6)	<input type="checkbox"/> FAC-Neutral Test (D5)	
<input type="checkbox"/> Iron Deposits (B5)	<input type="checkbox"/> Stunted or Stressed Plants (D1) (LRR A)	<input type="checkbox"/> Raised Ant Mounds (D6) (LRR A)	
<input type="checkbox"/> Surface Soil Cracks (B6)	<input type="checkbox"/> Other (Explain in Remarks)	<input type="checkbox"/> Frost-Heave Hummocks (D7)	
<input type="checkbox"/> Inundation Visible on Aerial Imagery (B7)			
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Sparsely Vegetated Concave Surface (B8)			
<b>Field Observations:</b>			
Surface Water Present?	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Depth (inches):	_____
Water Table Present?	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>	Depth (inches):	<u>0.5</u>
Saturation Present?	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>	Depth (inches):	<u>0</u>
(includes capillary fringe)			
Wetland Hydrology Present?    Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>			
Describe Recorded Data (stream gauge, monitoring well, aerial photos, previous inspections), if available: See report.			
Remarks: Adjacent to surface water. Plot located at downstream edge of point bar. River appears to backwater at plot.			

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**WETLAND DETERMINATION DATA SHEET – Western Mountains, Valleys, and Coast Region**  
 See ERDC/EL TR-10-3; the proponent agency is CECW-CO-R

OMB Control #: 0710-0024, Exp: 11/30/2024  
 Requirement Control Symbol EXEMPT:  
 (Authority: AR 335-15, paragraph 5-2a)

Project/Site: Chiwawa Area D City/County: Chelan County Sampling Date: 5/23/23  
 Applicant/Owner: Chelan County State: WA Sampling Point: SP3b  
 Investigator(s): Emily Alcott, Owen Ryerson, Jes Braun Section, Township, Range: S13, T27N, R17E  
 Landform (hillside, terrace, etc.): Floodplain Local relief (concave, convex, none): Convex Slope (%): 11.9  
 Subregion (LRR): LRR A, MLRA 6 Lat: 1,600,195.68E Long: 914,172.17N Datum: D NAD 1983 2011  
 Soil Map Unit Name: 67310-Aeric Fluvaquents, nearly level\* NWI classification: R3UBH-Riverine

Are climatic / hydrologic conditions on the site typical for this time of year? Yes X No      (If no, explain in Remarks.)  
 Are Vegetation     , Soil     , or Hydrology      significantly disturbed? Are "Normal Circumstances" present? Yes X 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 <u>X</u> No <u>    </u>	Is the Sampled Area within a Wetland? Yes <u>    </u> No <u>X</u>
Hydric Soil Present? Yes <u>    </u> No <u>X</u>	
Wetland Hydrology Present? Yes <u>    </u> No <u>X</u>	
Remarks: Plot paired with SP3a. Mix of riparian and upland vegetation soil and lack of hydric soils and hydrology features indicate upland plot	

**VEGETATION – Use scientific names of plants.**

Tree Stratum (Plot size: <u>15 feet</u> )	Absolute % Cover	Dominant Species?	Indicator Status	Dominance Test worksheet: Number of Dominant Species That Are OBL, FACW, or FAC: <u>3</u> (A) Total Number of Dominant Species Across All Strata: <u>5</u> (B) Percent of Dominant Species That Are OBL, FACW, or FAC: <u>60.0%</u> (A/B)
1. <u>Alnus rubra</u>	<u>50</u>	<u>Yes</u>	<u>FAC</u>	
2. <u>    </u>	<u>    </u>	<u>    </u>	<u>    </u>	
3. <u>    </u>	<u>    </u>	<u>    </u>	<u>    </u>	
4. <u>    </u>	<u>    </u>	<u>    </u>	<u>    </u>	
	<u>50</u> =Total Cover			
Sapling/Shrub Stratum (Plot size: <u>10 feet</u> )	Absolute % Cover	Dominant Species?	Indicator Status	Prevalence Index worksheet: Total % Cover of: <u>    </u> Multiply by: OBL species <u>    </u> x 1 = <u>    </u> FACW species <u>    </u> x 2 = <u>    </u> FAC species <u>    </u> x 3 = <u>    </u> FACU species <u>    </u> x 4 = <u>    </u> UPL species <u>    </u> x 5 = <u>    </u> Column Totals: <u>    </u> (A) <u>    </u> (B) Prevalence Index = B/A = <u>    </u>
1. <u>Rosa nutkana</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>Yes</u>	<u>FAC</u>	
2. <u>    </u>	<u>    </u>	<u>    </u>	<u>    </u>	
3. <u>    </u>	<u>    </u>	<u>    </u>	<u>    </u>	
4. <u>    </u>	<u>    </u>	<u>    </u>	<u>    </u>	
5. <u>    </u>	<u>    </u>	<u>    </u>	<u>    </u>	
	<u>5</u> =Total Cover			
Herb Stratum (Plot size: <u>5 feet</u> )	Absolute % Cover	Dominant Species?	Indicator Status	Hydrophytic Vegetation Indicators: <u>    </u> 1 - Rapid Test for Hydrophytic Vegetation <u>X</u> 2 - Dominance Test is >50% <u>    </u> 3 - Prevalence Index is ≤3.0 <sup>1</sup> <u>    </u> 4 - Morphological Adaptations <sup>1</sup> (Provide supporting data in Remarks or on a separate sheet) <u>    </u> 5 - Wetland Non-Vascular Plants <sup>1</sup> <u>    </u> Problematic Hydrophytic Vegetation <sup>1</sup> (Explain) <sup>1</sup> Indicators of hydric soil and wetland hydrology must be present, unless disturbed or problematic.
1. <u>Equisetum hyemale</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>Yes</u>	<u>FACW</u>	
2. <u>Poa spp</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>Yes</u>	<u>UPL</u>	
3. <u>Galium triflorum</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>Yes</u>	<u>FACU</u>	
4. <u>    </u>	<u>    </u>	<u>    </u>	<u>    </u>	
5. <u>    </u>	<u>    </u>	<u>    </u>	<u>    </u>	
6. <u>    </u>	<u>    </u>	<u>    </u>	<u>    </u>	
7. <u>    </u>	<u>    </u>	<u>    </u>	<u>    </u>	
8. <u>    </u>	<u>    </u>	<u>    </u>	<u>    </u>	
9. <u>    </u>	<u>    </u>	<u>    </u>	<u>    </u>	
10. <u>    </u>	<u>    </u>	<u>    </u>	<u>    </u>	
11. <u>    </u>	<u>    </u>	<u>    </u>	<u>    </u>	
	<u>5</u> =Total Cover			
Woody Vine Stratum (Plot size: <u>5</u> )	Absolute % Cover	Dominant Species?	Indicator Status	Hydrophytic Vegetation Present? Yes <u>X</u> No <u>    </u>
1. <u>None</u>	<u>    </u>	<u>    </u>	<u>    </u>	
2. <u>    </u>	<u>    </u>	<u>    </u>	<u>    </u>	
	<u>    </u> =Total Cover			
% Bare Ground in Herb Stratum <u>95</u>				
Remarks: Mix of upland and riparian species				

**SOIL**

Sampling Point: SP3b

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 <sup>1</sup>	Loc <sup>2</sup>		
0-6	10YR 4/2	100					Sandy	
6-12	10YR 5/2	100					Sandy	
<sup>1</sup> Type: C=Concentration, D=Depletion, RM=Reduced Matrix, CS=Covered or Coated Sand Grains. <sup>2</sup> Location: PL=Pore Lining, M=Matrix.								
Hydric Soil Indicators: (Applicable to all LRRs, unless otherwise noted.)				Indicators for Problematic Hydric Soils <sup>3</sup> :				
<input type="checkbox"/> Histosol (A1)				<input type="checkbox"/> Sandy Gleyed Matrix (S4)	<input type="checkbox"/> 2 cm Muck (A10) (LRR A, E)			
<input type="checkbox"/> Histic Epipedon (A2)				<input type="checkbox"/> Sandy Redox (S5)	<input type="checkbox"/> Iron-Manganese Masses (F12) (LRR D)			
<input type="checkbox"/> Black Histic (A3)				<input type="checkbox"/> Stripped Matrix (S6)	<input type="checkbox"/> Red Parent Material (F21)			
<input type="checkbox"/> Hydrogen Sulfide (A4)				<input type="checkbox"/> Loamy Mucky Mineral (F1) (except MLRA 1)	<input type="checkbox"/> Very Shallow Dark Surface (F22)			
<input type="checkbox"/> 1 cm Muck (A9) (LRR D, G)				<input type="checkbox"/> Loamy Gleyed Matrix (F2)	<input type="checkbox"/> Other (Explain in Remarks)			
<input type="checkbox"/> Depleted Below Dark Surface (A11)				<input type="checkbox"/> Depleted Matrix (F3)				
<input type="checkbox"/> Thick Dark Surface (A12)				<input type="checkbox"/> Redox Dark Surface (F6)	<sup>3</sup> Indicators of hydrophytic vegetation and			
<input type="checkbox"/> Sandy Mucky Mineral (S1)				<input type="checkbox"/> Depleted Dark Surface (F7)	wetland hydrology must be present,			
<input type="checkbox"/> 2.5 cm Mucky Peat or Peat (S2) (LRR G)				<input type="checkbox"/> Redox Depressions (F8)	unless disturbed or problematic.			
Restrictive Layer (if observed):								
Type: _____								
Depth (inches): _____				Hydric Soil Present?    Yes _____ No <u>X</u>				
Remarks: No hydric soil indicators observed								

**HYDROLOGY**

Wetland Hydrology Indicators:			
Primary Indicators (minimum of one is required; check all that apply)		Secondary Indicators (2 or more required)	
<input type="checkbox"/> Surface Water (A1)	<input type="checkbox"/> Water-Stained Leaves (B9) (except MLRA 1, 2, 4A, and 4B)	<input type="checkbox"/> Water-Stained Leaves (B9) (MLRA 1, 2, 4A, and 4B)	
<input type="checkbox"/> High Water Table (A2)	<input type="checkbox"/> Salt Crust (B11)	<input type="checkbox"/> Drainage Patterns (B10)	
<input type="checkbox"/> Saturation (A3)	<input type="checkbox"/> Aquatic Invertebrates (B13)	<input type="checkbox"/> Dry-Season Water Table (C2)	
<input type="checkbox"/> Water Marks (B1)	<input type="checkbox"/> Hydrogen Sulfide Odor (C1)	<input type="checkbox"/> Saturation Visible on Aerial Imagery (C9)	
<input type="checkbox"/> Sediment Deposits (B2)	<input type="checkbox"/> Oxidized Rhizospheres on Living Roots (C3)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Geomorphic Position (D2)	
<input type="checkbox"/> Drift Deposits (B3)	<input type="checkbox"/> Presence of Reduced Iron (C4)	<input type="checkbox"/> Shallow Aquitard (D3)	
<input type="checkbox"/> Algal Mat or Crust (B4)	<input type="checkbox"/> Recent Iron Reduction in Tilled Soils (C6)	<input type="checkbox"/> FAC-Neutral Test (D5)	
<input type="checkbox"/> Iron Deposits (B5)	<input type="checkbox"/> Stunted or Stressed Plants (D1) (LRR A)	<input type="checkbox"/> Raised Ant Mounds (D6) (LRR A)	
<input type="checkbox"/> Surface Soil Cracks (B6)	<input type="checkbox"/> Other (Explain in Remarks)	<input type="checkbox"/> Frost-Heave Hummocks (D7)	
<input type="checkbox"/> Inundation Visible on Aerial Imagery (B7)			
<input type="checkbox"/> Sparsely Vegetated Concave Surface (B8)			
Field Observations:			
Surface Water Present?	Yes _____ No <u>X</u>	Depth (inches): _____	Wetland Hydrology Present?    Yes _____ No <u>X</u>
Water Table Present?	Yes _____ No _____	Depth (inches): _____	
Saturation Present?	Yes _____ No _____	Depth (inches): _____	
(includes capillary fringe)			
Describe Recorded Data (stream gauge, monitoring well, aerial photos, previous inspections), if available: See report.			
Remarks: No hydrology indicators observed			

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OMB Control #: 0710-0024, Exp: 11/30/2024  
 Requirement Control Symbol EXEMPT:  
 (Authority: AR 335-15, paragraph 5-2a)

Project/Site: Chiwawa Area D City/County: Chelan County Sampling Date: 5/24/2023  
 Applicant/Owner: Chelan County State: WA Sampling Point: SP4a  
 Investigator(s): Emily Alcott, Owen Ryerson, Jes Braun Section, Township, Range: S13, T27N, R17E  
 Landform (hillside, terrace, etc.): Floodplain Local relief (concave, convex, none): Convex Slope (%): 14.0  
 Subregion (LRR): LRR A, MLRA 6 Lat: 1,600,582.91E Long: 913,834.23N Datum: D NAD 1983 2011  
 Soil Map Unit Name: 67310-Aeric Fluvaquents, nearly level\* NWI classification: P05C-Freshwater Forested/Shrub Wetland

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"/>	Hydic Soil Present? Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>	Wetland Hydrology 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"/>
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Remarks:  
 Plot is paired with upland SP4b. Downstream end from plot is closed depression. Observed high water table across whole plot. Standing water also observed in parts of wetland.

**VEGETATION – Use scientific names of plants.**

Tree Stratum (Plot size: <u>15 feet</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>100.0%</u> (A/B)
1. <u>Alnus rubra</u>	<u>30</u>	<u>Yes</u>	<u>FAC</u>	
2. _____	_____	_____	_____	Prevalence Index worksheet: Total % Cover of: _____ Multiply by: _____ OBL species _____ x 1 = _____ FACW species _____ x 2 = _____ FAC species _____ x 3 = _____ FACU species _____ x 4 = _____ UPL species _____ x 5 = _____ Column Totals: _____ (A) _____ (B) Prevalence Index = B/A = _____
3. _____	_____	_____	_____	
4. _____	_____	_____	_____	
	<u>30</u> =Total Cover			
Sapling/Shrub Stratum (Plot size: <u>10 feet</u> )	Absolute % Cover	Dominant Species?	Indicator Status	Hydrophytic Vegetation Indicators: ____ 1 - Rapid Test for Hydrophytic Vegetation <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 2 - Dominance Test is >50% ____ 3 - Prevalence Index is ≤3.0 <sup>1</sup> ____ 4 - Morphological Adaptations <sup>1</sup> (Provide supporting data in Remarks or on a separate sheet) ____ 5 - Wetland Non-Vascular Plants <sup>1</sup> ____ Problematic Hydrophytic Vegetation <sup>1</sup> (Explain) <sup>1</sup> Indicators of hydric soil and wetland hydrology must be present, unless disturbed or problematic.
1. <u>None</u>	_____	_____	_____	
2. _____	_____	_____	_____	Hydrophytic Vegetation Present? Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>
3. _____	_____	_____	_____	
4. _____	_____	_____	_____	
5. _____	_____	_____	_____	
	_____ =Total Cover			
Herb Stratum (Plot size: <u>5 feet</u> )	Absolute % Cover	Dominant Species?	Indicator Status	
1. <u>Lysichiton americanus</u>	<u>20</u>	<u>Yes</u>	<u>OBL</u>	
2. <u>Poa sp.</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>No</u>	<u>UPL</u>	
3. _____	_____	_____	_____	
4. _____	_____	_____	_____	
5. _____	_____	_____	_____	
6. _____	_____	_____	_____	
7. _____	_____	_____	_____	
8. _____	_____	_____	_____	
9. _____	_____	_____	_____	
10. _____	_____	_____	_____	
11. _____	_____	_____	_____	
	<u>21</u> =Total Cover			
Woody Vine Stratum (Plot size: <u>5</u> )	Absolute % Cover	Dominant Species?	Indicator Status	
1. <u>None</u>	_____	_____	_____	
2. _____	_____	_____	_____	
	_____ =Total Cover			
% Bare Ground in Herb Stratum <u>79</u>				
Remarks: Douglas spiraea observed around wetland fringe.				



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Project/Site: Chiwawa Area D City/County: Chelan County Sampling Date: 5/23/2023  
 Applicant/Owner: Chelan County State: WA Sampling Point: SP4b  
 Investigator(s): Emily Alcott, Owen Ryerson, Jes Braun Section, Township, Range: S13, T27N, R17E  
 Landform (hillside, terrace, etc.): Floodplain Local relief (concave, convex, none): Convex Slope (%): 15.6  
 Subregion (LRR): LRR A, MLRA 6 Lat: 1,600,610.33E Long: 913,843.81N Datum: D NAD 1983 2011  
 Soil Map Unit Name: 67310-Aeric Fluvaquents, nearly level\* NWI classification: P05C-Freshwater ForestedShrub Wetland

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"/>	Hydric Soil Present? Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Wetland Hydrology Present? Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Is the Sampled Area within a Wetland? Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Remarks: Characteristic upland plant community and soil. Plot paired with SP4a.			

**VEGETATION – Use scientific names of plants.**

Tree Stratum (Plot size: 15 feet)	Absolute % Cover	Dominant Species?	Indicator Status
1. <i>Abies grandis</i>	20	Yes	FACU
2. _____	_____	_____	_____
3. _____	_____	_____	_____
4. _____	_____	_____	_____
20 =Total Cover			
Sapling/Shrub Stratum (Plot size: 10 feet)	Absolute % Cover	Dominant Species?	Indicator Status
1. <i>Spiraea alba</i>	5	Yes	FACW
2. <i>Acer circinatum</i>	10	Yes	FAC
3. <i>Symphoricarpos albus</i>	5	Yes	FACU
4. _____	_____	_____	_____
5. _____	_____	_____	_____
20 =Total Cover			
Herb Stratum (Plot size: 5 feet)	Absolute % Cover	Dominant Species?	Indicator Status
1. <i>Mertensia paniculata</i>	2	Yes	FAC
2. <i>Abies grandis</i>	1	No	FACU
3. <i>Athyrium filix-femina</i>	5	Yes	FAC
4. <i>Equisetum hyemale</i>	1	No	FACW
5. <i>Circaea alpina</i>	1	No	FAC
6. <i>Stachys chamissonis</i>	1	No	FACW
7. _____	_____	_____	_____
8. _____	_____	_____	_____
9. _____	_____	_____	_____
10. _____	_____	_____	_____
11. _____	_____	_____	_____
11 =Total Cover			
Woody Vine Stratum (Plot size: 5)	Absolute % Cover	Dominant Species?	Indicator Status
1. None	_____	_____	_____
2. _____	_____	_____	_____
_____ =Total Cover			
% Bare Ground in Herb Stratum <u>89</u>			

**Dominance Test worksheet:**  
 Number of Dominant Species That Are OBL, FACW, or FAC: 4 (A)  
 Total Number of Dominant Species Across All Strata: 6 (B)  
 Percent of Dominant Species That Are OBL, FACW, or FAC: 66.7% (A/B)

**Prevalence Index worksheet:**  
 Total % Cover of: \_\_\_\_\_ Multiply by: \_\_\_\_\_  
 OBL species \_\_\_\_\_ x 1 = \_\_\_\_\_  
 FACW species \_\_\_\_\_ x 2 = \_\_\_\_\_  
 FAC species \_\_\_\_\_ x 3 = \_\_\_\_\_  
 FACU species \_\_\_\_\_ x 4 = \_\_\_\_\_  
 UPL species \_\_\_\_\_ x 5 = \_\_\_\_\_  
 Column Totals: \_\_\_\_\_ (A) \_\_\_\_\_ (B)  
 Prevalence Index = B/A = \_\_\_\_\_

**Hydrophytic Vegetation Indicators:**  
1 - Rapid Test for Hydrophytic Vegetation  
 2 - Dominance Test is >50%  
3 - Prevalence Index is ≤3.0<sup>1</sup>  
4 - Morphological Adaptations<sup>1</sup> (Provide supporting data in Remarks or on a separate sheet)  
5 - Wetland Non-Vascular Plants<sup>1</sup>  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Problematic Hydrophytic Vegetation<sup>1</sup> (Explain)  
<sup>1</sup>Indicators of hydric soil and wetland hydrology must be present, unless disturbed or problematic.

**Hydrophytic Vegetation Present?** Yes  No

Remarks:  
Upland vegetation present



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 Requirement Control Symbol EXEMPT:  
 (Authority: AR 335-15, paragraph 5-2a)

Project/Site: Chiwawa Area D City/County: Chelan County Sampling Date: 5/23/2023  
 Applicant/Owner: Chelan County State: WA Sampling Point: SP5a  
 Investigator(s): Emily Alcott, Owen Ryerson, Jes Braun Section, Township, Range: S13, T27N, R17E  
 Landform (hillside, terrace, etc.): Floodplain Local relief (concave, convex, none): Concave Slope (%): 2.1  
 Subregion (LRR): LRR A, MLRA 6 Lat: 1,600,509.85E Long: 913,698.85N Datum: D NAD 1983 201  
 Soil Map Unit Name: 67554-Mippon gravely fine sandy loam, 0 to 3 percent slopes NWI classification: R3UBH-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"/>	Hydic Soil Present? Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>	Wetland Hydrology 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"/>
Remarks: Sparsely vegetated concave surface immediately downslope. High flow back water channel fed by hyporheic flow. Plot paired with upland SP5b.			

**VEGETATION – Use scientific names of plants.**

Tree Stratum (Plot size: <u>15 feet</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>100.0%</u> (A/B)
1. <u>Alnus rubra</u>	<u>50</u>	<u>Yes</u>	<u>FAC</u>	
2. _____	_____	_____	_____	
3. _____	_____	_____	_____	
4. _____	_____	_____	_____	
	<u>50</u> =Total Cover			
Sapling/Shrub Stratum (Plot size: <u>10 feet</u> )	Absolute % Cover	Dominant Species?	Indicator Status	Prevalence Index worksheet: Total % Cover of: _____ Multiply by: _____ OBL species _____ x 1 = _____ FACW species _____ x 2 = _____ FAC species _____ x 3 = _____ FACU species _____ x 4 = _____ UPL species _____ x 5 = _____ Column Totals: _____ (A) _____ (B) Prevalence Index = B/A = _____
1. <u>Salix sp.</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>No</u>	<u>FACW</u>	
2. _____	_____	_____	_____	
3. _____	_____	_____	_____	
4. _____	_____	_____	_____	
5. _____	_____	_____	_____	
	<u>1</u> =Total Cover			
Herb Stratum (Plot size: <u>5 feet</u> )	Absolute % Cover	Dominant Species?	Indicator Status	Hydrophytic Vegetation Indicators: ____ 1 - Rapid Test for Hydrophytic Vegetation <u>X</u> 2 - Dominance Test is >50% ____ 3 - Prevalence Index is ≤3.0 <sup>1</sup> ____ 4 - Morphological Adaptations <sup>1</sup> (Provide supporting data in Remarks or on a separate sheet) ____ 5 - Wetland Non-Vascular Plants <sup>1</sup> ____ Problematic Hydrophytic Vegetation <sup>1</sup> (Explain) <sup>1</sup> Indicators of hydric soil and wetland hydrology must be present, unless disturbed or problematic.
1. <u>Galium trifolium</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>No</u>	<u>FACU</u>	
2. <u>Pyrola sp.</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>No</u>	<u>FAC</u>	
3. <u>Plagiomnium insigne</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>No</u>	<u>UPL</u>	
4. <u>Poa spp.</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>No</u>	<u>UPL</u>	
5. _____	_____	_____	_____	
6. _____	_____	_____	_____	
7. _____	_____	_____	_____	
8. _____	_____	_____	_____	
9. _____	_____	_____	_____	
10. _____	_____	_____	_____	
11. _____	_____	_____	_____	
	<u>4</u> =Total Cover			
Woody Vine Stratum (Plot size: <u>5</u> )	Absolute % Cover	Dominant Species?	Indicator Status	Hydrophytic Vegetation Present? Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>
1. <u>None</u>	_____	_____	_____	
2. _____	_____	_____	_____	
	_____ =Total Cover			
% Bare Ground in Herb Stratum <u>96</u>				
Remarks: Representative riparian vegetation.				



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 Requirement Control Symbol EXEMPT:  
 (Authority: AR 335-15, paragraph 5-2a)

Project/Site: Chiwawa Area D City/County: Chelan County Sampling Date: 5/23/23  
 Applicant/Owner: Chelan County State: WA Sampling Point: SP5b  
 Investigator(s): Emily Alcott, Owen Ryerson, Jes Braun Section, Township, Range: S13, T27N, R17E  
 Landform (hillside, terrace, etc.): Floodplain Local relief (concave, convex, none): none Slope (%): 2.9  
 Subregion (LRR): LRR A, MLRA 6 Lat: 1,600,497.15E Long: 913,676.67N Datum: D NAD 1983 2011  
 Soil Map Unit Name: 67554-Mippon gravelly fine sandy loam, 0 to 3 percent slopes NWI classification: R3UBH-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"/>	Hydric Soil Present? Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Wetland Hydrology Present? Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Is the Sampled Area within a Wetland? Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Remarks: Paired with plot SP5a. Characteristic upland vegetation thin soil layer above restrictive cobble layer.			

**VEGETATION – Use scientific names of plants.**

Tree Stratum (Plot size: <u>15 feet</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>100.0%</u> (A/B)
1. <u><i>Alnus rubra</i></u>	<u>30</u>	<u>Yes</u>	<u>FAC</u>	
2. <u><i>Thuja plicata</i></u>	<u>30</u>	<u>Yes</u>	<u>FAC</u>	
3. _____	_____	_____	_____	
4. _____	_____	_____	_____	
	<u>60</u> =Total Cover			
Sapling/Shrub Stratum (Plot size: <u>10 feet</u> )	Absolute % Cover	Dominant Species?	Indicator Status	Prevalence Index worksheet: Total % Cover of: _____ Multiply by: _____ OBL species _____ x 1 = _____ FACW species _____ x 2 = _____ FAC species _____ x 3 = _____ FACU species _____ x 4 = _____ UPL species _____ x 5 = _____ Column Totals: _____ (A) _____ (B) Prevalence Index = B/A = _____
1. <u><i>Paxistima myrsinites</i></u>	<u>1</u>	<u>No</u>	<u>FACU</u>	
2. _____	_____	_____	_____	
3. _____	_____	_____	_____	
4. _____	_____	_____	_____	
5. _____	_____	_____	_____	
	<u>1</u> =Total Cover			
Herb Stratum (Plot size: <u>5 feet</u> )	Absolute % Cover	Dominant Species?	Indicator Status	Hydrophytic Vegetation Indicators: ____ 1 - Rapid Test for Hydrophytic Vegetation <u>X</u> 2 - Dominance Test is >50% ____ 3 - Prevalence Index is ≤3.0 <sup>1</sup> ____ 4 - Morphological Adaptations <sup>1</sup> (Provide supporting data in Remarks or on a separate sheet) ____ 5 - Wetland Non-Vascular Plants <sup>1</sup> ____ Problematic Hydrophytic Vegetation <sup>1</sup> (Explain) <sup>1</sup> Indicators of hydric soil and wetland hydrology must be present, unless disturbed or problematic.
1. <u>None</u>	_____	_____	_____	
2. _____	_____	_____	_____	
3. _____	_____	_____	_____	
4. _____	_____	_____	_____	
5. _____	_____	_____	_____	
6. _____	_____	_____	_____	
7. _____	_____	_____	_____	
8. _____	_____	_____	_____	
9. _____	_____	_____	_____	
10. _____	_____	_____	_____	
11. _____	_____	_____	_____	
	_____ =Total Cover			
Woody Vine Stratum (Plot size: <u>5</u> )	Absolute % Cover	Dominant Species?	Indicator Status	Hydrophytic Vegetation Present? Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>
1. <u>None</u>	_____	_____	_____	
2. _____	_____	_____	_____	
	_____ =Total Cover			
% Bare Ground in Herb Stratum <u>100</u>				
Remarks: Representative upland vegetation				



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 Requirement Control Symbol EXEMPT:  
 (Authority: AR 335-15, paragraph 5-2a)

Project/Site: Chiwawa Area D City/County: Chelan County Sampling Date: 5/23/23  
 Applicant/Owner: Chelan County State: WA Sampling Point: SP6a  
 Investigator(s): Emily Alcott, Owen Ryerson, Jes Braun Section, Township, Range: S13, T27N, R17E  
 Landform (hillside, terrace, etc.): Floodplain Local relief (concave, convex, none): Convex Slope (%): 5.1  
 Subregion (LRR): LRR A, MLRA 6 Lat: 1,601,615.35E Long: 913,163.56N Datum: D NAD 1983 2011  
 Soil Map Unit Name: 68072-Choralmont cindery sandy loam, till substratum, 3 to 30 percent slopes NWI classification: R3UBH-Riverine

Are climatic / hydrologic conditions on the site typical for this time of year? Yes X No      (If no, explain in Remarks.)  
 Are Vegetation     , Soil     , or Hydrology      significantly disturbed? Are "Normal Circumstances" present? Yes X 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 <u>X</u> No <u>    </u> Hydric Soil Present? Yes <u>X</u> No <u>    </u> Wetland Hydrology Present? Yes <u>X</u> No <u>    </u>	Is the Sampled Area within a Wetland? Yes <u>X</u> No <u>    </u>
Remarks: Plot paired with SP6b. Characteristic wetland indicators and sparsely vegetated.	

**VEGETATION – Use scientific names of plants.**

Tree Stratum	(Plot size: <u>15 feet</u> )	Absolute % Cover	Dominant Species?	Indicator Status	Dominance Test worksheet:
1. <u>None</u>					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>100.0%</u> (A/B)
2. _____					
3. _____					
4. _____					
_____					
=Total Cover					<b>Prevalence Index worksheet:</b> Total % Cover of: _____ Multiply by: _____ OBL species _____ x 1 = _____ FACW species _____ x 2 = _____ FAC species _____ x 3 = _____ FACU species _____ x 4 = _____ UPL species _____ x 5 = _____ Column Totals: _____ (A) _____ (B) Prevalence Index = B/A = _____
<b>Sapling/Shrub Stratum</b> (Plot size: <u>10 feet</u> )					
1. <u>Cornus alba</u>		<u>10</u>	<u>Yes</u>	<u>FACW</u>	
2. <u>Viburnum edule</u>		<u>3</u>	<u>Yes</u>	<u>FACW</u>	
3. _____					
4. _____					
5. _____					
=Total Cover					
<b>Herb Stratum</b> (Plot size: <u>5 feet</u> )					
1. <u>None</u>					<b>Hydrophytic Vegetation Indicators:</b> <u>    </u> 1 - Rapid Test for Hydrophytic Vegetation <u>X</u> 2 - Dominance Test is >50% <u>    </u> 3 - Prevalence Index is ≤3.0 <sup>1</sup> <u>    </u> 4 - Morphological Adaptations <sup>1</sup> (Provide supporting data in Remarks or on a separate sheet) <u>    </u> 5 - Wetland Non-Vascular Plants <sup>1</sup> <u>    </u> Problematic Hydrophytic Vegetation <sup>1</sup> (Explain) <sup>1</sup> Indicators of hydric soil and wetland hydrology must be present, unless disturbed or problematic.
2. _____					
3. _____					
4. _____					
5. _____					
6. _____					
7. _____					
8. _____					
9. _____					
10. _____					
11. _____					
=Total Cover					
<b>Woody Vine Stratum</b> (Plot size: <u>5</u> )					
1. <u>None</u>					
2. _____					
=Total Cover					
% Bare Ground in Herb Stratum <u>100</u>					
Hydrophytic Vegetation Present? Yes <u>X</u> No <u>    </u>					
Remarks: Sparsely vegetated wetland plant community					

**SOIL**

Sampling Point: SP6a

**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 <sup>1</sup>	Loc <sup>2</sup>		
0-2	10YR 4/2	100					Mucky Loam/Clay	Root mass present in hydric soil

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

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

<input type="checkbox"/> Histosol (A1)	<input type="checkbox"/> Sandy Gleyed Matrix (S4)	<input type="checkbox"/> 2 cm Muck (A10) (LRR A, E)
<input type="checkbox"/> Histic Epipedon (A2)	<input type="checkbox"/> Sandy Redox (S5)	<input type="checkbox"/> Iron-Manganese Masses (F12) (LRR D)
<input type="checkbox"/> Black Histic (A3)	<input type="checkbox"/> Stripped Matrix (S6)	<input type="checkbox"/> Red Parent Material (F21)
<input type="checkbox"/> Hydrogen Sulfide (A4)	<input type="checkbox"/> Loamy Mucky Mineral (F1) (except MLRA 1)	<input type="checkbox"/> Very Shallow Dark Surface (F22)
<input type="checkbox"/> 1 cm Muck (A9) (LRR D, G)	<input type="checkbox"/> Loamy Gleyed Matrix (F2)	<input type="checkbox"/> Other (Explain in Remarks)
<input type="checkbox"/> Depleted Below Dark Surface (A11)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Depleted Matrix (F3)	
<input type="checkbox"/> Thick Dark Surface (A12)	<input type="checkbox"/> Redox Dark Surface (F6)	<sup>1</sup> Indicators of hydrophytic vegetation and
<input type="checkbox"/> Sandy Mucky Mineral (S1)	<input type="checkbox"/> Depleted Dark Surface (F7)	wetland hydrology must be present,
<input type="checkbox"/> 2.5 cm Mucky Peat or Peat (S2) (LRR G)	<input type="checkbox"/> Redox Depressions (F8)	unless disturbed or problematic.

**Restrictive Layer (if observed):**

Type: <u>Root mass</u>	<b>Hydric Soil Present?</b> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>
Depth (inches): <u>4</u>	

Remarks:  
No hydric soils indicators.

**HYDROLOGY**

**Wetland Hydrology Indicators:**

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

<input type="checkbox"/> Surface Water (A1)	<input type="checkbox"/> Water-Stained Leaves (B9) (except MLRA 1, 2, 4A, and 4B)	<input type="checkbox"/> Water-Stained Leaves (B9) (MLRA 1, 2, 4A, and 4B)
<input type="checkbox"/> High Water Table (A2)	<input type="checkbox"/> Salt Crust (B11)	<input type="checkbox"/> Drainage Patterns (B10)
<input type="checkbox"/> Saturation (A3)	<input type="checkbox"/> Aquatic Invertebrates (B13)	<input type="checkbox"/> Dry-Season Water Table (C2)
<input type="checkbox"/> Water Marks (B1)	<input type="checkbox"/> Hydrogen Sulfide Odor (C1)	<input type="checkbox"/> Saturation Visible on Aerial Imagery (C9)
<input type="checkbox"/> Sediment Deposits (B2)	<input type="checkbox"/> Oxidized Rhizospheres on Living Roots (C3)	<input type="checkbox"/> Geomorphic Position (D2)
<input type="checkbox"/> Drift Deposits (B3)	<input type="checkbox"/> Presence of Reduced Iron (C4)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Shallow Aquitard (D3)
<input type="checkbox"/> Algal Mat or Crust (B4)	<input type="checkbox"/> Recent Iron Reduction in Tilled Soils (C6)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> FAC-Neutral Test (D5)
<input type="checkbox"/> Iron Deposits (B5)	<input type="checkbox"/> Slanted or Stressed Plants (D1) (LRR A)	<input type="checkbox"/> Raised Ant Mounds (D6) (LRR A)
<input type="checkbox"/> Surface Soil Cracks (B6)	<input type="checkbox"/> Other (Explain in Remarks)	<input type="checkbox"/> Frost-Heave Hummocks (D7)
<input type="checkbox"/> Inundation Visible on Aerial Imagery (B7)		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> X Sparsely Vegetated Concave Surface (B8)		

**Field Observations:**

Surface Water Present? Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>	Depth (inches): <u>        </u>	<b>Wetland Hydrology Present?</b> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>
Water Table Present? Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>	Depth (inches): <u>1</u>	
Saturation Present? Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>	Depth (inches): <u>0</u>	

(includes capillary fringe)

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

Remarks:  
Hydrology indicators observed

**U.S. Army Corps of Engineers**  
**WETLAND DETERMINATION DATA SHEET – Western Mountains, Valleys, and Coast Region**  
 See ERDC/EL TR-10-3; the proponent agency is CECW-CO-R

OMB Control #: 0710-0024, Exp: 11/30/2024  
 Requirement Control Symbol EXEMPT:  
 (Authority: AR 335-15, paragraph 5-2a)

Project/Site: Chiwawa Area D City/County: Chelan County Sampling Date: 5/23/23  
 Applicant/Owner: Chelan County State: WA Sampling Point: SP6b  
 Investigator(s): Emily Alcott, Owen Ryerson, Jes Braun Section, Township, Range: S13, T27N, R17E  
 Landform (hillside, terrace, etc.): Floodplain Local relief (concave, convex, none): Convex Slope (%): 8.5  
 Subregion (LRR): LRR A, MLRA 6 Lat: 1,601,615.35E Long: 913,163.56N Datum: D NAD 1983 2011  
 Soil Map Unit Name: 68072-Choralmont cindery sandy loam, till substratum, 3 to 30 percent slopes NWI classification: R3UBH-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 type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Is the Sampled Area within a Wetland? Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Hydric Soil Present? Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
Wetland Hydrology Present? Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	

Remarks:  
 Plot paired with SP6a. Young soil appears similar color to plant material

**VEGETATION – Use scientific names of plants.**

Tree Stratum (Plot size: <u>15 feet</u> )	Absolute % Cover	Dominant Species?	Indicator Status	<b>Dominance Test worksheet:</b> Number of Dominant Species That Are OBL, FACW, or FAC: <u>1</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>50.0%</u> (A/B)																								
1. <u>None</u>																												
2. _____																												
3. _____																												
4. _____																												
=Total Cover																												
Sapling/Shrub Stratum (Plot size: <u>10 feet</u> )	Absolute % Cover	Dominant Species?	Indicator Status	<b>Prevalence Index worksheet:</b> <table border="0"> <tr> <td>Total % Cover of:</td> <td>Multiply by:</td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>OBL species <u>0</u></td> <td>x 1 =</td> <td><u>0</u></td> </tr> <tr> <td>FACW species <u>3</u></td> <td>x 2 =</td> <td><u>6</u></td> </tr> <tr> <td>FAC species <u>1</u></td> <td>x 3 =</td> <td><u>3</u></td> </tr> <tr> <td>FACU species <u>5</u></td> <td>x 4 =</td> <td><u>20</u></td> </tr> <tr> <td>UPL species <u>0</u></td> <td>x 5 =</td> <td><u>0</u></td> </tr> <tr> <td>Column Totals: <u>9</u> (A)</td> <td></td> <td><u>29</u> (B)</td> </tr> <tr> <td colspan="3">Prevalence Index = B/A = <u>3.22</u></td> </tr> </table>	Total % Cover of:	Multiply by:		OBL species <u>0</u>	x 1 =	<u>0</u>	FACW species <u>3</u>	x 2 =	<u>6</u>	FAC species <u>1</u>	x 3 =	<u>3</u>	FACU species <u>5</u>	x 4 =	<u>20</u>	UPL species <u>0</u>	x 5 =	<u>0</u>	Column Totals: <u>9</u> (A)		<u>29</u> (B)	Prevalence Index = B/A = <u>3.22</u>		
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1. <u>Abies grandis</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>Yes</u>	<u>FACU</u>																									
2. <u>Viburnum edule</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>Yes</u>	<u>FACW</u>																									
3. <u>Menziesia ferruginea</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>No</u>	<u>FACU</u>																									
4. _____																												
5. _____																												
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Herb Stratum (Plot size: <u>5 feet</u> )	Absolute % Cover	Dominant Species?	Indicator Status	<b>Hydrophytic Vegetation Indicators:</b> <u>1</u> - Rapid Test for Hydrophytic Vegetation <u>2</u> - Dominance Test is >50% <u>3</u> - Prevalence Index is ≤3.0 <sup>1</sup> <u>4</u> - Morphological Adaptations <sup>1</sup> (Provide supporting data in Remarks or on a separate sheet) <u>5</u> - Wetland Non-Vascular Plants <sup>1</sup> <u>        </u> Problematic Hydrophytic Vegetation <sup>1</sup> (Explain) <sup>1</sup> Indicators of hydric soil and wetland hydrology must be present, unless disturbed or problematic.																								
1. <u>Pyrola asarifolia</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>No</u>	<u>FACU</u>																									
2. <u>Goodyera oblongifolia</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>No</u>	<u>FACU</u>																									
3. <u>Plagiomnium insigne</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>No</u>	<u>FAC</u>																									
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Woody Vine Stratum (Plot size: <u>5</u> )	Absolute % Cover	Dominant Species?	Indicator Status																									
1. <u>None</u>																												
2. _____																												
=Total Cover																												
% Bare Ground in Herb Stratum <u>97</u>																												
<b>Hydrophytic Vegetation Present?</b> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>																												
Remarks: Sparsely vegetated wetland plant community																												



## Appendix D: Department of Ecology wetland rating forms

Wetland name or number: A

## RATING SUMMARY – Eastern Washington

Name of wetland (or ID #): A Date of site visit: 5-23-23  
 Rated by Jes Braun 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 NV5

OVERALL WETLAND CATEGORY 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	<b>L</b>	H	<b>M</b>	L	H	M	<b>L</b>	
Landscape Potential	H	<b>M</b>	L	H	<b>M</b>	L	<b>H</b>	M	L	
Value	<b>H</b>	M	L	H	M	<b>L</b>	<b>H</b>	M	L	<b>TOTAL</b>
Score Based on Ratings	6			5			7			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	<b>II</b>	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	None of the above	

Wetland name or number: A

**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	B-4
Hydroperiods	H 1.2, H 1.3	B-5
Ponded depressions	R 1.1	B-5
Boundary of area within 150 ft of the wetland ( <i>can be added to another figure</i> )	R 2.4	B-2
Map of the contributing basin	R 2.2, R 2.3, R 5.2	B-1
Plant cover of trees, shrubs, and herbaceous plants	R 1.2, R 4.2	Appendix C
Width of wetland vs. width of stream ( <i>can be added to another figure</i> )	R 4.1	A-4 and tools within ArcGIS
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	B-3
Screen capture of map of 303(d) listed waters in basin (from Ecology website)	R 3.1	B-6
Screen capture of list of TMDLs for WRIA in which wetland is found (website)	R 3.2, R 3.3	B-7

**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 <b>dense</b> trees, shrubs, and herbaceous plants	S 1.3	
Plant cover of <b>dense, rigid</b> 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 A

<p><b>H 1.6. Special habitat features</b>  <i>Check the habitat features that are present in the wetland. The number of checks is the number of points.</i></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Loose rocks larger than 4 in OR large, downed, woody debris (&gt; 4 in diameter) within the area of surface ponding or in stream.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Cattails or bulrushes are present within the wetland.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Standing snags (diameter at the bottom &gt; 4 in) in the wetland or within 30 m (100 ft) of the edge.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Emergent or shrub vegetation in areas that are permanently inundated/ponded.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Stable steep banks of fine material that might be used by beaver or muskrat for denning (&gt; 45 degree slope) OR signs of recent beaver activity</p> <p><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>)</p>	1
<p>Total for H 1</p>	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

<b>H 2.0. Does the landscape have the potential to support habitat functions of the site?</b>	
<p><b>H 2.1. Accessible habitat (only area of habitat abutting wetland). If total accessible habitat is:</b>  <i>Calculate:</i> % undisturbed habitat ____ + [(% moderate and low intensity land uses)/2] ____ = ____%            &gt; 1/3 (33.3%) of 1 km Polygon points = 3            20-33% of 1km Polygon points = 2            10-19% of 1km Polygon points = 1            &lt;10% of 1km Polygon points = 0</p>	3
<p><b>H 2.2. Undisturbed habitat in 1 km Polygon around wetland.</b>  <i>Calculate:</i> % undisturbed habitat ____ + [(% moderate and low intensity land uses)/2] ____ = ____%            Undisturbed habitat &gt; 50% of Polygon points = 3            Undisturbed habitat 10 - 50% and in 1-3 patches points = 2            Undisturbed habitat 10 - 50% and &gt; 3 patches points = 1            Undisturbed habitat &lt; 10% of Polygon points = 0</p>	3
<p><b>H 2.3. Land use intensity in 1 km Polygon:</b>            &gt; 50% of Polygon is high intensity land use points = (- 2)            Does not meet criterion above points = 0</p>	0
<p><b>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</b>            Yes = 3 No = 0</p>	0
<p>Total for H 2</p>	6

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

<b>H 3.0. Is the habitat provided by the site valuable to society?</b>	
<p><b>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</b></p> <p>Site meets ANY of the following criteria: points = 2</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><input type="checkbox"/> It has 3 or more priority habitats within 100 m (see Appendix B)</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> It provides habitat for Threatened or Endangered species (any plant or animal on state or federal lists)</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> It is mapped as a location for an individual WDFW species</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> It is a Wetland of High Conservation Value as determined by the Department of Natural Resources</li> <li><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</li> </ul> <p>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</p>	2

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

Wetland name or number A

**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>	
<p><b>SC 1.0. Vernal pools</b></p> <p>Is the wetland <b>less than 4000 ft<sup>2</sup></b>, and does it meet at least <b>two</b> of the following criteria?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>— Its only source of water is rainfall or snowmelt from a small contributing basin and has no groundwater input.</li> <li>— 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></li> <li>— The soil in the wetland is shallow (&lt; 1 ft (30 cm) deep) and is underlain by an impermeable layer such as basalt or clay.</li> <li>— Surface water is present for less than 120 days during the wet season.</li> </ul> <p style="text-align: right;">Yes – Go to <b>SC 1.1</b>    <b>No = Not a vernal pool</b></p> <p>SC 1.1. Is the vernal pool relatively undisturbed in February and March?  <span style="float: right;">Yes – Go to <b>SC 1.2</b>    No = <b>Not a vernal pool with special characteristics</b></span></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.)?  <span style="float: right;">Yes = <b>Category II</b>    No = <b>Category III</b></span></p>	<p><b>Cat. II</b> <b>Cat. III</b></p>
<p><b>SC 2.0. Alkali wetlands</b></p> <p>Does the wetland meet <b>one</b> of the following criteria?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>— The wetland has a conductivity &gt; 3.0 mS/cm.</li> <li>— 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).</li> <li>— 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.</li> </ul> <p><b>OR</b> does the wetland unit meet two of the following three sub-criteria?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>— Salt encrustations around more than 75% of the edge of the wetland</li> <li>— More than ¾ of the plant cover consists of species listed on Table 4</li> <li>— 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.</li> </ul> <p style="text-align: right;">Yes = <b>Category I</b>    <b>No = Not an alkali wetland</b></p>	<p><b>Cat. I</b></p>
<p><b>SC 3.0. Wetlands of High Conservation Value (WHCV)</b></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?  <span style="float: right;">Yes – Go to <b>SC 3.2</b>    No – Go to <b>SC 3.3</b></span></p> <p>SC 3.2. Is the wetland listed on the WDNR database as a Wetland of High Conservation Value?  <span style="float: right;">Yes = <b>Category I</b>    <b>No = Not a WHCV</b></span></p> <p>SC 3.3. Is the wetland in a Section/Township/Range that contains a Natural Heritage wetland?  <a href="http://www1.dnr.wa.gov/nhp/refdesk/datasearch/wnhpwetlands.pdf">http://www1.dnr.wa.gov/nhp/refdesk/datasearch/wnhpwetlands.pdf</a>  <span style="float: right;">Yes – <b>Contact WNHP/WDNR and go to SC 3.4</b>    No = <b>Not a WHCV</b></span></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?  <span style="float: right;">Yes = <b>Category I</b>    No = <b>Not a WHCV</b></span></p>	<p><b>Cat. I</b></p>

Wetland name or number A

<p><b>SC 4.0 Bogs and Calcareous Fens</b></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></p>	<p>Yes – Go to <b>SC 4.3</b> No – Go to <b>SC 4.2</b></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?</p>	<p>Yes – Go to <b>SC 4.3</b> No = <b>Is not a bog for rating</b></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?</p> <p><b>NOTE:</b> 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>Yes = <b>Category I bog</b> No – Go to <b>SC 4.4</b></p>	
<p>SC 4.4. Is an area with peats or mucks forested (&gt; 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?</p>	<p>Yes = <b>Category I bog</b> No – Go to <b>SC 4.5</b></p>	Cat. I
<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?</p>	<p>Yes = <b>Is a Calcareous Fen for purpose of rating</b> No – Go to <b>SC 4.6</b></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"> <li>— Marl deposits [calcium carbonate (CaCO<sub>3</sub>) precipitate] occur on the soil surface or plant stems</li> <li>— The pH of free water is ≥ 6.8 AND electrical conductivity is ≥ 200 uS/cm at multiple locations within the wetland</li> </ul>	<p>Yes = <b>Is a Category I calcareous fen</b> No = <b>Is not a calcareous fen</b></p>	Cat. I

<p><b>SC 5.0. Forested Wetlands</b></p> <p>Does the wetland have an area of forest rooted within its boundary that meets <b>at least one</b> 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"> <li>— The wetland is within the 100 year floodplain of a river or stream</li> <li>— Aspen (<i>Populus tremuloides</i>) represents at least 20% of the total cover of woody species</li> <li>— 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>)</li> </ul> <p>Yes – Go to <b>SC 5.1</b> No = <b>Not a forested wetland with special characteristics</b></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>)?</p>	<p>Yes = <b>Category I</b> No – Go to <b>SC 5.2</b></p>	Cat. I
<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?</p>	<p>Yes = <b>Category I</b> No – Go to <b>SC 5.3</b></p>	Cat. I
<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>)?</p>	<p>Yes = <b>Category II</b> No – Go to <b>SC 5.4</b></p>	Cat. II
<p>SC 5.4. Is the forested component of the wetland within the 100 year floodplain of a river or stream?</p>	<p>Yes = <b>Category II</b> No = <b>Not a forested wetland with special characteristics</b></p>	Cat. II
<p><b>Category of wetland based on Special Characteristics</b></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>		Not Applicable

## 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: B

## RATING SUMMARY – Eastern Washington

Name of wetland (or ID #): B Date of site visit: 5-23-23  
 Rated by Jes Braun 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 NV5

**OVERALL WETLAND CATEGORY** II (based on functions  or special characteristics )

### 1. Category of wetland based on FUNCTIONS

- Category I – Total score = 22-27
- II 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="checkbox"/> <b>M</b> <input type="checkbox"/> L	H <input type="checkbox"/> <b>M</b> <input type="checkbox"/> L	H <input type="checkbox"/> M <input type="checkbox"/> <b>L</b>	
Landscape Potential	H <input type="checkbox"/> <b>M</b> <input type="checkbox"/> L	H <input type="checkbox"/> <b>M</b> <input type="checkbox"/> L	<b>H</b> <input type="checkbox"/> M <input type="checkbox"/> L	
Value	<b>H</b> <input type="checkbox"/> M <input type="checkbox"/> L	H <input type="checkbox"/> M <input type="checkbox"/> <b>L</b>	<b>H</b> <input type="checkbox"/> M <input type="checkbox"/> L	<b>TOTAL</b>
Score Based on Ratings	<b>7</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>20</b>

**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	<input type="checkbox"/> II <input type="checkbox"/> III
Alkali	<input type="checkbox"/> I
Wetland of High Conservation Value	<input type="checkbox"/> I
Bog and Calcareous Fens	<input type="checkbox"/> I
Old Growth or Mature Forest – slow growing	<input type="checkbox"/> I
Aspen Forest	<input type="checkbox"/> I
Old Growth or Mature Forest – fast growing	<input type="checkbox"/> II
Floodplain forest	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>II</b>
None of the above	

Wetland name or number: B

**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	B-4
Hydroperiods	H 1.2, H 1.3	B-5
Ponded depressions	R 1.1	B-5
Boundary of area within 150 ft of the wetland ( <i>can be added to another figure</i> )	R 2.4	B-2
Map of the contributing basin	R 2.2, R 2.3, R 5.2	B-1
Plant cover of trees, shrubs, and herbaceous plants	R 1.2, R 4.2	Appendix C
Width of wetland vs. width of stream ( <i>can be added to another figure</i> )	R 4.1	A-4 and tools within ArcGIS
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	B-3
Screen capture of map of 303(d) listed waters in basin (from Ecology website)	R 3.1	B-6
Screen capture of list of TMDLs for WRIA in which wetland is found (website)	R 3.2, R 3.3	B-7

**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 <b>dense</b> trees, shrubs, and herbaceous plants	S 1.3	
Plant cover of <b>dense, rigid</b> 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 B

<b>RIVERINE WETLANDS</b>		Points (only 1 score per box)
<b>Water Quality Functions - Indicators that the site functions to improve water quality</b>		
<b>R 1.0. Does the site have the potential to improve water quality?</b>		
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 No depressions present	points = 6 points = 3 points = 1 points = 0	0
R 1.2. Structure of plants in the wetland (areas with >90% cover at person height; <b>not</b> 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 Ungrazed herbaceous plants $\frac{1}{3} - \frac{2}{3}$ area of wetland Forest, shrub, and ungrazed herbaceous $< \frac{1}{3}$ area of wetland	points = 10 points = 5 points = 5 points = 2 points = 0	10
Total for R 1	Add the points in the boxes above	10

**Rating of Site Potential** If score is: 12-16 = H x 6-11 = M 0-5 = L *Record the rating on the first page*

<b>R 2.0. Does the landscape have the potential to support the water quality function of the site?</b>		
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	-1
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	0
R 2.4. Is > 10% of the area within 150 ft of wetland in land uses that generate pollutants	Yes = 1 No = 0	0
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	1

**Rating of Landscape Potential** If score is: 3-6 = H x 1 or 2 = M 0 = L *Record the rating on the first page*

<b>R 3.0. Is the water quality improvement provided by the site valuable to society?</b>		
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	1
R 3.2. Does the river or stream have TMDL limits for nutrients, toxics, or pathogens?	Yes = 1 No = 0	1
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 No = 0	2
Total for R 3	Add the points in the boxes above	4

**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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<p><b>H 1.6. Special habitat features</b>  <i>Check the habitat features that are present in the wetland. The number of checks is the number of points.</i></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Loose rocks larger than 4 in OR large, downed, woody debris (&gt; 4 in diameter) within the area of surface ponding or in stream.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Cattails or bulrushes are present within the wetland.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Standing snags (diameter at the bottom &gt; 4 in) in the wetland or within 30 m (100 ft) of the edge.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Emergent or shrub vegetation in areas that are permanently inundated/ponded.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Stable steep banks of fine material that might be used by beaver or muskrat for denning (&gt; 45 degree slope) OR signs of recent beaver activity</p> <p><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>)</p>	1
<p>Total for H 1</p>	6

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

<b>H 2.0. Does the landscape have the potential to support habitat functions of the site?</b>	
<p>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] ____ = ____%            &gt; 1/3 (33.3%) of 1 km Polygon points = 3            20-33% of 1km Polygon points = 2            10-19% of 1km Polygon points = 1            &lt;10% of 1km Polygon points = 0</p>	3
<p>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 &gt; 50% of Polygon points = 3            Undisturbed habitat 10 - 50% and in 1-3 patches points = 2            Undisturbed habitat 10 - 50% and &gt; 3 patches points = 1            Undisturbed habitat &lt; 10% of Polygon points = 0</p>	3
<p>H 2.3. Land use intensity in 1 km Polygon:            &gt; 50% of Polygon is high intensity land use points = (- 2)            Does not meet criterion above points = 0</p>	0
<p>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. <i>Generally, this means outside boundaries of reclamation areas, irrigation districts, or reservoirs</i>            Yes = 3 No = 0</p>	0
<p>Total for H 2</p>	6

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

<b>H 3.0. Is the habitat provided by the site valuable to society?</b>	
<p>H 3.1. Does the site provide habitat for species valued in laws, regulations, or policies? <i>Choose the highest score that applies to the wetland being rated</i></p> <p>Site meets ANY of the following criteria: points = 2</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><input type="checkbox"/> It has 3 or more priority habitats within 100 m (see Appendix B)</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> It provides habitat for Threatened or Endangered species (any plant or animal on state or federal lists)</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> It is mapped as a location for an individual WDFW species</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> It is a Wetland of High Conservation Value as determined by the Department of Natural Resources</li> <li><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</li> </ul> <p>Site has 1 or 2 priority habitats within 100 m (see Appendix B) points = 1</p> <p>Site does not meet any of the criteria above points = 0</p>	2

**Rating of Value** If score is: X 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
<i>Check off any criteria that apply to the wetland. Circle the category when the appropriate criteria are met.</i>	
<p><b>SC 1.0. Vernal pools</b></p> <p>Is the wetland <b>less than 4000 ft<sup>2</sup></b>, and does it meet at least <b>two</b> of the following criteria?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>— Its only source of water is rainfall or snowmelt from a small contributing basin and has no groundwater input.</li> <li>— 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></li> <li>— The soil in the wetland is shallow (&lt; 1 ft (30 cm) deep) and is underlain by an impermeable layer such as basalt or clay.</li> <li>— Surface water is present for less than 120 days during the wet season.</li> </ul> <p style="text-align: right;">Yes – Go to <b>SC 1.1</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>No</b> = <b>Not a vernal pool</b></p> <p>SC 1.1. Is the vernal pool relatively undisturbed in February and March?            Yes – Go to <b>SC 1.2</b> No = <b>Not a vernal pool with special characteristics</b></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 = <b>Category II</b> No = <b>Category III</b></p>	
<p><b>SC 2.0. Alkali wetlands</b></p> <p>Does the wetland meet <b>one</b> of the following criteria?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>— The wetland has a conductivity &gt; 3.0 mS/cm.</li> <li>— 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).</li> <li>— 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.</li> </ul> <p><b>OR</b> does the wetland unit meet two of the following three sub-criteria?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>— Salt encrustations around more than 75% of the edge of the wetland</li> <li>— More than ¾ of the plant cover consists of species listed on Table 4</li> <li>— 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.</li> </ul> <p style="text-align: right;">Yes = <b>Category I</b> No = <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>Not an alkali wetland</b></p>	<p><b>Cat. I</b></p>
<p><b>SC 3.0. Wetlands of High Conservation Value (WHCV)</b></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 <b>SC 3.2</b> No – Go to <b>SC 3.3</b></p> <p>SC 3.2. Is the wetland listed on the WDNR database as a Wetland of High Conservation Value?            Yes = <b>Category I</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>No</b> = <b>Not a WHCV</b></p> <p>SC 3.3. Is the wetland in a Section/Township/Range that contains a Natural Heritage wetland?  <a href="http://www1.dnr.wa.gov/nhp/refdesk/datasearch/wnhpwetlands.pdf">http://www1.dnr.wa.gov/nhp/refdesk/datasearch/wnhpwetlands.pdf</a>            Yes – <b>Contact WNHP/WDNR and go to SC 3.4</b> No = <b>Not a WHCV</b></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 = <b>Category I</b> No = <b>Not a WHCV</b></p>	<p><b>Cat. I</b></p>

Wetland name or number \_\_\_\_\_ **B**

<p><b>SC 4.0 Bogs and Calcareous Fens</b></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 <b>SC 4.3</b> No – Go to <b>SC 4.2</b></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 <b>SC 4.3</b> <b>No = Is not a bog for rating</b></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 = <b>Category I bog</b> No – Go to <b>SC 4.4</b> <b>NOTE:</b> 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 (&gt; 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 = <b>Category I bog</b> No – Go to <b>SC 4.5</b></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 = <b>Is a Calcareous Fen for purpose of rating</b> No – Go to <b>SC 4.6</b></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<sub>3</sub>) 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 = <b>Is a Category I calcareous fen</b> <b>No = Is not a calcareous fen</b></p>	<p></p> <p>Cat. I</p> <p>Cat. I</p>
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<p><b>SC 5.0. Forested Wetlands</b></p> <p>Does the wetland have an area of forest rooted within its boundary that meets <b>at least one</b> 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> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The wetland is within the 100 year floodplain of a river or stream</p> <p>— Aspen (<i>Populus tremuloides</i>) represents at least 20% of the total cover of woody species</p> <p>— 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 <b>SC 5.1</b> No = <b>Not a forested wetland with special characteristics</b></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 = <b>Category I</b> <b>No = Go to SC 5.2</b></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 = <b>Category I</b> <b>No = Go to SC 5.3</b></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>)? <b>Yes = Category II</b> No – Go to <b>SC 5.4</b></p> <p>SC 5.4. Is the forested component of the wetland within the 100 year floodplain of a river or stream? Yes = <b>Category II</b> No = <b>Not a forested wetland with special characteristics</b></p>	<p></p> <p>Cat. I</p> <p>Cat. I</p> <p><b>Cat. II</b></p> <p>Cat. II</p>
<p><b>Category of wetland based on Special Characteristics</b> <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>	<p>Cat. II</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 ríprap 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: C

## RATING SUMMARY – Eastern Washington

Name of wetland (or ID #): C Date of site visit: 5-23-23  
 Rated by Jes Braun Trained by Ecology?  Yes  No Date of training \_\_\_\_\_  
 HGM Class used for rating Riverine Wetland has multiple HGM classes?  Y  X  N

NOTE: Form is not complete without the figures requested (figures can be combined).  
 Source of base aerial photo/map NV5

OVERALL WETLAND CATEGORY X (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	<b>L</b>	<b>H</b>	M	L	H	<b>M</b>	L	
Landscape Potential	H	<b>M</b>	L	H	<b>M</b>	L	<b>H</b>	M	L	
Value	<b>H</b>	M	L	H	M	<b>L</b>	<b>H</b>	M	L	
Score Based on Ratings	6			6			8			TOTAL 20

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	<b>II</b>	
None of the above		

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**

Same figures used for all wetlands (see Wetland A or B above for reference)

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 <b>dense</b> trees, shrubs, and herbaceous plants	S 1.3	
Plant cover of <b>dense, rigid</b> 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 C

<b>RIVERINE WETLANDS</b>		Points (only 1 score per box)
<b>Water Quality Functions - Indicators that the site functions to improve water quality</b>		
<b>R 1.0. Does the site have the potential to improve water quality?</b>		
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 No depressions present	points = 6 points = 3 points = 1 points = 0	0
R 1.2. Structure of plants in the wetland (areas with >90% cover at person height; <b>not</b> 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 Ungrazed herbaceous plants $\frac{1}{3} - \frac{2}{3}$ area of wetland Forest, shrub, and ungrazed herbaceous $< \frac{1}{3}$ area of wetland	points = 10 points = 5 points = 5 points = 2 points = 0	5
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 0-5 = L *Record the rating on the first page*

<b>R 2.0. Does the landscape have the potential to support the water quality function of the site?</b>		
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	1
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	0
R 2.4. Is > 10% of the area within 150 ft of wetland in land uses that generate pollutants	Yes = 1 No = 0	0
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	1

**Rating of Landscape Potential** If score is: 3-6 = H 1 or 2 = M 0 = L *Record the rating on the first page*

<b>R 3.0. Is the water quality improvement provided by the site valuable to society?</b>		
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	1
R 3.2. Does the river or stream have TMDL limits for nutrients, toxics, or pathogens?	Yes = 1 No = 0	1
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 No = 0	2
Total for R 3	Add the points in the boxes above	4

**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

<p><b>H 1.6. Special habitat features</b>  <i>Check the habitat features that are present in the wetland. The number of checks is the number of points.</i></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Loose rocks larger than 4 in OR large, downed, woody debris (&gt; 4 in diameter) within the area of surface ponding or in stream.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Cattails or bulrushes are present within the wetland.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Standing snags (diameter at the bottom &gt; 4 in) in the wetland or within 30 m (100 ft) of the edge.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Emergent or shrub vegetation in areas that are permanently inundated/ponded.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Stable steep banks of fine material that might be used by beaver or muskrat for denning (&gt; 45 degree slope) OR signs of recent beaver activity</p> <p><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>)</p>	1
<p>Total for H 1</p>	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

<b>H 2.0. Does the landscape have the potential to support habitat functions of the site?</b>	
<p><b>H 2.1. Accessible habitat (only area of habitat abutting wetland). If total accessible habitat is:</b>  <i>Calculate:</i> % undisturbed habitat ____ + [(% moderate and low intensity land uses)/2] ____ = ____%            &gt; 1/3 (33.3%) of 1 km Polygon points = 3            20-33% of 1km Polygon points = 2            10-19% of 1km Polygon points = 1            &lt;10% of 1km Polygon points = 0</p>	3
<p><b>H 2.2. Undisturbed habitat in 1 km Polygon around wetland.</b>  <i>Calculate:</i> % undisturbed habitat ____ + [(% moderate and low intensity land uses)/2] ____ = ____%            Undisturbed habitat &gt; 50% of Polygon points = 3            Undisturbed habitat 10 - 50% and in 1-3 patches points = 2            Undisturbed habitat 10 - 50% and &gt; 3 patches points = 1            Undisturbed habitat &lt; 10% of Polygon points = 0</p>	3
<p><b>H 2.3. Land use intensity in 1 km Polygon:</b>            &gt; 50% of Polygon is high intensity land use points = (- 2)            Does not meet criterion above points = 0</p>	0
<p><b>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</b>            Yes = 3 No = 0</p>	0
<p>Total for H 2</p>	6

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

<b>H 3.0. Is the habitat provided by the site valuable to society?</b>	
<p><b>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</b></p> <p>Site meets ANY of the following criteria: points = 2</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><input type="checkbox"/> It has 3 or more priority habitats within 100 m (see Appendix B)</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> It provides habitat for Threatened or Endangered species (any plant or animal on state or federal lists)</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> It is mapped as a location for an individual WDFW species</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> It is a Wetland of High Conservation Value as determined by the Department of Natural Resources</li> <li><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</li> </ul> <p>Site has 1 or 2 priority habitats within 100 m (see Appendix B) points = 1</p> <p>Site does not meet any of the criteria above points = 0</p>	2

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

Wetland name or number C

**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>	
<p><b>SC 1.0. Vernal pools</b></p> <p>Is the wetland <b>less than 4000 ft<sup>2</sup></b>, and does it meet at least <b>two</b> of the following criteria?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>— Its only source of water is rainfall or snowmelt from a small contributing basin and has no groundwater input.</li> <li>— 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></li> <li>— The soil in the wetland is shallow (&lt; 1 ft (30 cm) deep) and is underlain by an impermeable layer such as basalt or clay.</li> <li>— Surface water is present for less than 120 days during the wet season.</li> </ul> <p style="text-align: right;">Yes – Go to <b>SC 1.1</b> No = <b>Not a vernal pool</b></p> <p>SC 1.1. Is the vernal pool relatively undisturbed in February and March?            Yes – Go to <b>SC 1.2</b> <b>No</b> = <b>Not a vernal pool with special characteristics</b></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 style="text-align: right;">Yes = <b>Category II</b> No = <b>Category III</b></p>	<p><b>Cat. II</b> <b>Cat. III</b></p>
<p><b>SC 2.0. Alkali wetlands</b></p> <p>Does the wetland meet <b>one</b> of the following criteria?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>— The wetland has a conductivity &gt; 3.0 mS/cm.</li> <li>— 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).</li> <li>— 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.</li> </ul> <p><b>OR</b> does the wetland unit meet two of the following three sub-criteria?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>— Salt encrustations around more than 75% of the edge of the wetland</li> <li>— More than ¾ of the plant cover consists of species listed on Table 4</li> <li>— 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.</li> </ul> <p style="text-align: right;">Yes = <b>Category I</b> <b>No</b> = <b>Not an alkali wetland</b></p>	<p><b>Cat. I</b></p>
<p><b>SC 3.0. Wetlands of High Conservation Value (WHCV)</b></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 <b>SC 3.2</b> No – Go to <b>SC 3.3</b></p> <p>SC 3.2. Is the wetland listed on the WDNR database as a Wetland of High Conservation Value?            Yes = <b>Category I</b> <b>No</b> = <b>Not a WHCV</b></p> <p>SC 3.3. Is the wetland in a Section/Township/Range that contains a Natural Heritage wetland?  <a href="http://www1.dnr.wa.gov/nhp/refdesk/datasearch/wnhpwetlands.pdf">http://www1.dnr.wa.gov/nhp/refdesk/datasearch/wnhpwetlands.pdf</a>            Yes – <b>Contact WNHP/WDNR and go to SC 3.4</b> No = <b>Not a WHCV</b></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 = <b>Category I</b> No = <b>Not a WHCV</b></p>	<p><b>Cat. I</b></p>

Wetland name or number C

<p><b>SC 4.0 Bogs and Calcareous Fens</b></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></p>	<p>Yes – Go to <b>SC 4.3</b> No – Go to <b>SC 4.2</b></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?</p>	<p>Yes – Go to <b>SC 4.3</b> No – <b>Is not a bog for rating</b></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?</p> <p><b>NOTE:</b> 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>Yes = <b>Category I bog</b> No – Go to <b>SC 4.4</b></p>	
<p>SC 4.4. Is an area with peats or mucks forested (&gt;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?</p>	<p>Yes = <b>Category I bog</b> No – Go to <b>SC 4.5</b></p>	Cat. I
<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?</p>	<p>Yes = <b>Is a Calcareous Fen for purpose of rating</b> No – Go to <b>SC 4.6</b></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"> <li>— Marl deposits [calcium carbonate (CaCO<sub>3</sub>) precipitate] occur on the soil surface or plant stems</li> <li>— The pH of free water is ≥ 6.8 AND electrical conductivity is ≥ 200 uS/cm at multiple locations within the wetland</li> </ul>	<p>Yes = <b>Is a Category I calcareous fen</b> No = <b>Is not a calcareous fen</b></p>	Cat. I

<p><b>SC 5.0. Forested Wetlands</b></p> <p>Does the wetland have an area of forest rooted within its boundary that meets <b>at least one</b> 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"> <li>— The wetland is within the 100 year floodplain of a river or stream</li> <li>— Aspen (<i>Populus tremuloides</i>) represents at least 20% of the total cover of woody species</li> <li>— 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>)</li> </ul> <p>Yes – Go to <b>SC 5.1</b> No = <b>Not a forested wetland with special characteristics</b></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>)?</p>	<p>Yes = <b>Category I</b> No – Go to <b>SC 5.2</b></p>	Cat. I
<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?</p>	<p>Yes = <b>Category I</b> No – Go to <b>SC 5.3</b></p>	Cat. I
<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>)?</p>	<p>Yes = <b>Category II</b> No – Go to <b>SC 5.4</b></p>	Cat. II
<p>SC 5.4. Is the forested component of the wetland within the 100 year floodplain of a river or stream?</p>	<p>Yes = <b>Category II</b> No = <b>Not a forested wetland with special characteristics</b></p>	Cat. II
<p><b>Category of wetland based on Special Characteristics</b></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>		Cat. II

## 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 ríprap 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

Wetland name or number: D

## RATING SUMMARY – Eastern Washington

Name of wetland (or ID #): D Date of site visit: 5-23-23  
 Rated by Jes Braun 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 NV5

OVERALL WETLAND CATEGORY X (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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> M	L	H	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> M	L	H	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> M	L	
Landscape Potential	H	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> M	L	H	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> M	L	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> H	M	L	
Value	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> H	M	L	H	M	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> L	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> H	M	L	TOTAL
Score Based on Ratings	7			5			8			20

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	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 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

Same reference maps as all wetlands (see A or B for fig. numbers)

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 <b>dense</b> trees, shrubs, and herbaceous plants	S 1.3	
Plant cover of <b>dense, rigid</b> 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 D

<b>RIVERINE WETLANDS</b>		Points (only 1 score per box)
<b>Water Quality Functions - Indicators that the site functions to improve water quality</b>		
<b>R 1.0. Does the site have the potential to improve water quality?</b>		
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 No depressions present	points = 6 points = 3 points = 1 points = 0	<b>6</b>
R 1.2. Structure of plants in the wetland (areas with >90% cover at person height; <b>not</b> 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 Ungrazed herbaceous plants $\frac{1}{3} - \frac{2}{3}$ area of wetland Forest, shrub, and ungrazed herbaceous $< \frac{1}{3}$ area of wetland	points = 10 points = 5 points = 5 points = 2 points = 0	<b>0</b>
Total for R 1 <span style="float: right;">Add the points in the boxes above</span>		<b>6</b>

**Rating of Site Potential** If score is: 12-16 = H ~~X~~ 6-11 = M 0-5 = L *Record the rating on the first page*

<b>R 2.0. Does the landscape have the potential to support the water quality function of the site?</b>		
R 2.1. Is the wetland within an incorporated city or within its UGA?	Yes = 2 No = 0	<b>0</b>
R 2.2. Does the contributing basin include a UGA or incorporated area?	Yes = 1 No = 0	<b>1</b>
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	<b>0</b>
R 2.4. Is > 10% of the area within 150 ft of wetland in land uses that generate pollutants	Yes = 1 No = 0	<b>0</b>
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	<b>0</b>
Total for R 2 <span style="float: right;">Add the points in the boxes above</span>		<b>1</b>

**Rating of Landscape Potential** If score is: 3-6 = H ~~X~~ 1 or 2 = M 0 = L *Record the rating on the first page*

<b>R 3.0. Is the water quality improvement provided by the site valuable to society?</b>		
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	<b>1</b>
R 3.2. Does the river or stream have TMDL limits for nutrients, toxics, or pathogens?	Yes = 1 No = 0	<b>1</b>
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 No = 0	<b>2</b>
Total for R 3 <span style="float: right;">Add the points in the boxes above</span>		<b>4</b>

**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 D

<b>RIVERINE WETLANDS</b>		Points (only 1 score per box)
<b>Hydrologic Functions</b> - Indicators that site functions to reduce flooding and stream erosion		
<b>R 4.0. Does the site have the potential to reduce flooding and erosion?</b>		
R 4.1. Characteristics of the overbank storage the wetland provides: <i>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).</i> If the ratio is more than 2 If the ratio is 1-2 If the ratio is 1/2-<1 If the ratio is 1/4-<1/2 If the ratio is <1/4	points = 10 points = 8 points = 4 points = 2 points = 1	<b>4</b>
R 4.2. Characteristics of plants that slow down water velocities during floods: <i>Treat large woody debris as forest or shrub. Choose the points appropriate for the best description (polygons need to have &gt; 90% cover at person height. These are NOT Cowardin classes).</i> Forest or shrub for more than 2/3 the area of the wetland Forest or shrub for >1/3 area OR emergent plants > 2/3 area Forest or shrub for > 1/10 area OR emergent plants > 2/3 area Plants do not meet above criteria	points = 6 points = 4 points = 2 points = 0	<b>2</b>
Total for R 5		Add the points in the boxes above <b>6</b>

**Rating of Site Potential** If score is: 12-16 = H X 6-11 = M 0-5 = L *Record the rating on the first page*

<b>R 5.0. Does the landscape have the potential to support the hydrologic functions of the site?</b>		
R 5.1. Is the stream or river adjacent to the wetland downcut?	Yes = 0 No = 1	<b>1</b>
R 5.2. Does the up-gradient watershed include a UGA or incorporated area?	Yes = 1 No = 0	<b>0</b>
R 5.3. Is the up-gradient stream or river controlled by dams?	Yes = 0 No = 1	<b>1</b>
Total for R 5		Add the points in the boxes above <b>2</b>

**Rating of Landscape Potential** If score is: 3 = H X 1 or 2 = M 0 = L *Record the rating on the first page*

<b>R 6.0. Are the hydrologic functions provided by the site valuable to society?</b>		
R 6.1. Distance to the nearest areas downstream that have flooding problems? <i>Choose the description that best fits the site.</i> The sub-basin immediately down-gradient of site has surface flooding problems that result in damage to human or natural resources Surface flooding problems are in a basin farther down-gradient No flooding problems anywhere downstream	points = 2 points = 1 points = 0	<b>0</b>
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	<b>0</b>
Total for R 6		Add the points in the boxes above <b>0</b>

**Rating of Value** If score is: 2-4 = H 1 = M X 0 = L *Record the rating on the first page*



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<p><b>H 1.6. Special habitat features</b>  <i>Check the habitat features that are present in the wetland. The number of checks is the number of points.</i></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Loose rocks larger than 4 in OR large, downed, woody debris (&gt; 4 in diameter) within the area of surface ponding or in stream.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Cattails or bulrushes are present within the wetland.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Standing snags (diameter at the bottom &gt; 4 in) in the wetland or within 30 m (100 ft) of the edge.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Emergent or shrub vegetation in areas that are permanently inundated/ponded.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Stable steep banks of fine material that might be used by beaver or muskrat for denning (&gt; 45 degree slope) OR signs of recent beaver activity</p> <p><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>)</p>	1
<p>Total for H 1</p>	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

<b>H 2.0. Does the landscape have the potential to support habitat functions of the site?</b>	
<p><b>H 2.1. Accessible habitat (only area of habitat abutting wetland). If total accessible habitat is:</b></p> <p><i>Calculate:</i> % undisturbed habitat ____ + [(% moderate and low intensity land uses)/2] ____ = ____%</p> <p>&gt; 1/3 (33.3%) of 1 km Polygon points = 3</p> <p>20-33% of 1km Polygon points = 2</p> <p>10-19% of 1km Polygon points = 1</p> <p>&lt;10% of 1km Polygon points = 0</p>	3
<p><b>H 2.2. Undisturbed habitat in 1 km Polygon around wetland.</b></p> <p><i>Calculate:</i> % undisturbed habitat ____ + [(% moderate and low intensity land uses)/2] ____ = ____%</p> <p>Undisturbed habitat &gt; 50% of Polygon points = 3</p> <p>Undisturbed habitat 10 - 50% and in 1-3 patches points = 2</p> <p>Undisturbed habitat 10 - 50% and &gt; 3 patches points = 1</p> <p>Undisturbed habitat &lt; 10% of Polygon points = 0</p>	3
<p><b>H 2.3. Land use intensity in 1 km Polygon:</b></p> <p>&gt; 50% of Polygon is high intensity land use points = (- 2)</p> <p>Does not meet criterion above points = 0</p>	0
<p><b>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</b></p> <p>Yes = 3 No = 0</p>	0
<p>Total for H 2</p>	6

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

<b>H 3.0. Is the habitat provided by the site valuable to society?</b>	
<p><b>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</b></p> <p>Site meets ANY of the following criteria: points = 2</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><input type="checkbox"/> It has 3 or more priority habitats within 100 m (see Appendix B)</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> It provides habitat for Threatened or Endangered species (any plant or animal on state or federal lists)</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> It is mapped as a location for an individual WDFW species</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> It is a Wetland of High Conservation Value as determined by the Department of Natural Resources</li> <li><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</li> </ul> <p>Site has 1 or 2 priority habitats within 100 m (see Appendix B) points = 1</p> <p>Site does not meet any of the criteria above points = 0</p>	2

**Rating of Value** If score is: x 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
<i>Check off any criteria that apply to the wetland. Circle the category when the appropriate criteria are met.</i>	
<p><b>SC 1.0. Vernal pools</b></p> <p>Is the wetland <b>less than 4000 ft<sup>2</sup></b>, and does it meet at least <b>two</b> of the following criteria?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>— Its only source of water is rainfall or snowmelt from a small contributing basin and has no groundwater input.</li> <li>— 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></li> <li>— The soil in the wetland is shallow (&lt; 1 ft (30 cm) deep) and is underlain by an impermeable layer such as basalt or clay.</li> <li>— Surface water is present for less than 120 days during the wet season.</li> </ul> <p style="text-align: right;">Yes – Go to <b>SC 1.1</b> No = <b>Not a vernal pool</b></p> <p>SC 1.1. Is the vernal pool relatively undisturbed in February and March?  <span style="float: right;">Yes – Go to <b>SC 1.2</b> No = <b>Not a vernal pool with special characteristics</b></span></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.)?  <span style="float: right;">Yes = <b>Category II</b> <b>No</b> = <b>Category III</b></span></p>	<p><b>Cat. II</b> <b>Cat. III</b></p>
<p><b>SC 2.0. Alkali wetlands</b></p> <p>Does the wetland meet <b>one</b> of the following criteria?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>— The wetland has a conductivity &gt; 3.0 mS/cm.</li> <li>— 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).</li> <li>— 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.</li> </ul> <p><b>OR</b> does the wetland unit meet two of the following three sub-criteria?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>— Salt encrustations around more than 75% of the edge of the wetland</li> <li>— More than ¾ of the plant cover consists of species listed on Table 4</li> <li>— 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.</li> </ul> <p style="text-align: right;">Yes = <b>Category I</b> <b>No</b> = <b>Not an alkali wetland</b></p>	<p><b>Cat. I</b></p>
<p><b>SC 3.0. Wetlands of High Conservation Value (WHCV)</b></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?  <span style="float: right;">Yes – Go to <b>SC 3.2</b> No – Go to <b>SC 3.3</b></span></p> <p>SC 3.2. Is the wetland listed on the WDNR database as a Wetland of High Conservation Value?  <span style="float: right;">Yes = <b>Category I</b> <b>No</b> = <b>Not a WHCV</b></span></p> <p>SC 3.3. Is the wetland in a Section/Township/Range that contains a Natural Heritage wetland?  <a href="http://www1.dnr.wa.gov/nhp/refdesk/datasearch/wnhpwetlands.pdf">http://www1.dnr.wa.gov/nhp/refdesk/datasearch/wnhpwetlands.pdf</a>  <span style="float: right;">Yes – <b>Contact WNHP/WDNR and go to SC 3.4</b> No = <b>Not a WHCV</b></span></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?  <span style="float: right;">Yes = <b>Category I</b> No = <b>Not a WHCV</b></span></p>	<p><b>Cat. I</b></p>

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<p><b>SC 4.0 Bogs and Calcareous Fens</b></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 <b>SC 4.3</b> No – Go to <b>SC 4.2</b></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 <b>SC 4.3</b> <b>No</b> – 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 = <b>Category I bog</b> No – Go to <b>SC 4.4</b> <b>NOTE:</b> 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 (&gt; 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 = <b>Category I bog</b> No – Go to <b>SC 4.5</b></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 = <b>Is a Calcareous Fen for purpose of rating</b> No – Go to <b>SC 4.6</b></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<sub>3</sub>) 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 = <b>Is a Category I calcareous fen</b> <b>No</b> = Is not a calcareous fen</p>	<p>Cat. I</p> <p>Cat. I</p>
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<p><b>SC 5.0. Forested Wetlands</b></p> <p>Does the wetland have an area of forest rooted within its boundary that meets <b>at least one</b> 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> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The wetland is within the 100 year floodplain of a river or stream</p> <p>— Aspen (<i>Populus tremuloides</i>) represents at least 20% of the total cover of woody species</p> <p>— 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> <p><b>Yes</b> – Go to <b>SC 5.1</b> No = <b>Not a forested wetland with special characteristics</b></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 = <b>Category I</b> <b>No</b> – Go to <b>SC 5.2</b></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 = <b>Category I</b> <b>No</b> – Go to <b>SC 5.3</b></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 = <b>Category II</b> <b>No</b> – Go to <b>SC 5.4</b></p> <p>SC 5.4. Is the forested component of the wetland within the 100 year floodplain of a river or stream? <b>Yes</b> = <b>Category II</b> No = <b>Not a forested wetland with special characteristics</b></p>	<p>Cat. I</p> <p>Cat. I</p> <p>Cat. II</p> <p><b>Cat. II</b></p>
<p><b>Category of wetland based on Special Characteristics</b> <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>	

For Wetland D

## 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 ríprap 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: E

## RATING SUMMARY – Eastern Washington

Name of wetland (or ID #): E Date of site visit: 5-23-23  
 Rated by Jes Braun 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 NV5

OVERALL WETLAND CATEGORY 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  
 X \_\_\_\_\_ 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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> L	H	M	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> L	H	M	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> L	
Landscape Potential	H	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> IV	L	H	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> IV	L	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> H	M	L	
Value	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> H	M	L	H	M	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> L	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> H	M	L	TOTAL
Score Based on Ratings	6			4			7			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	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> II	<input type="checkbox"/> III
Alkali	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> I	
Wetland of High Conservation Value	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> I	
Bog and Calcareous Fens	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> I	
Old Growth or Mature Forest – slow growing	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> I	
Aspen Forest	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> I	
Old Growth or Mature Forest – fast growing	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> II	
Floodplain forest	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> II	
None of the above	None of the above	

Wetland name or number: E

**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 <b>dense</b> trees, shrubs, and herbaceous plants	S 1.3	
Plant cover of <b>dense, rigid</b> 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	

Wetland name or number E

## 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 E

<b>DEPRESSIONAL WETLANDS</b>		Points (only 1 score per box)
<b>Water Quality Functions</b> - Indicators that the site functions to improve water quality		
<b>D 1.0. Does the site have the potential to improve water quality?</b>		
<b>D 1.1. Characteristics of surface water outflows from the wetland:</b> 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		3  points = 5 points = 3 points = 3 points = 1
<b>D 1.2. The soil 2 in below the surface (or duff layer) is true clay or true organic (use NRCS definitions of soils)</b> YES = 3 NO = 0		
<b>D 1.3. Characteristics of persistent vegetation (Emergent, Scrub-shrub, and/or Forested Cowardin classes)</b> Wetland has persistent, ungrazed, vegetation for $> \frac{2}{3}$ of area Wetland has persistent, ungrazed, vegetation from $\frac{1}{3}$ to $\frac{2}{3}$ of area Wetland has persistent, ungrazed vegetation from $\frac{1}{10}$ to $< \frac{1}{3}$ of area Wetland has persistent, ungrazed vegetation $< \frac{1}{10}$ of area		5  points = 5 points = 3 points = 1 points = 0
<b>D 1.4. Characteristics of seasonal ponding or inundation:</b> <i>This is the area of ponding that fluctuates every year. Do not count the area that is permanently ponded.</i> Area seasonally ponded is $> \frac{1}{2}$ total area of wetland Area seasonally ponded is $\frac{1}{4}$ - $\frac{1}{2}$ total area of wetland Area seasonally ponded is $< \frac{1}{4}$ total area of wetland		0  points = 3 points = 1 points = 0
Total for D 1		Add the points in the boxes above <b>8</b>

**Rating of Site Potential** If score is: 12-16 = H X 6-11 = M 0-5 = L *Record the rating on the first page*

<b>D 2.0. Does the landscape have the potential to support the water quality function of the site?</b>		
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	0
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 <b>0</b>

**Rating of Landscape Potential** If score is: 3 or 4 = H 1 or 2 = M X 0 = L *Record the rating on the first page*

<b>D 3.0. Is the water quality improvement provided by the site valuable to society?</b>		
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	1
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	1
Total for D 3		Add the points in the boxes above <b>3</b>

**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 E

<b>DEPRESSIONAL WETLANDS</b>		Points (only 1 score per box)
<b>Hydrologic Functions</b> - 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 <i>(If outlet is a ditch and not permanently flowing treat wetland as "intermittently flowing")</i>	points = 8 points = 4 points = 4 points = 0	<b>4</b>
D 4.2. <u>Depth of storage during wet periods</u> : 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	<b>4</b>
Total for D 4		Add the points in the boxes above <b>8</b>

**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	<b>0</b>
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	<b>0</b>
D 5.3. Is more than 25% of the contributing basin of the wetland covered with intensive human land uses?	Yes = 1 No = 0	<b>0</b>
Total for D 5		Add the points in the boxes above <b>0</b>

**Rating of Landscape Potential** If score is: 3 = H 1 or 2 = M X 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. <u>The wetland is in a landscape that has flooding problems.</u> Choose the description that best matches conditions around the wetland being rated. <i>Do not add points. Choose the highest score if more than one condition is met.</i> 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	<b>0</b>
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	<b>0</b>
Total for D 6		Add the points in the boxes above <b>0</b>

**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 E

<p><b>H 1.6. Special habitat features</b>  <i>Check the habitat features that are present in the wetland. The number of checks is the number of points.</i></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Loose rocks larger than 4 in OR large, downed, woody debris (&gt; 4 in diameter) within the area of surface ponding or in stream.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Cattails or bulrushes are present within the wetland.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Standing snags (diameter at the bottom &gt; 4 in) in the wetland or within 30 m (100 ft) of the edge.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Emergent or shrub vegetation in areas that are permanently inundated/ponded.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Stable steep banks of fine material that might be used by beaver or muskrat for denning (&gt; 45 degree slope) OR signs of recent beaver activity</p> <p><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>)</p>	1
<p>Total for H 1</p>	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

<b>H 2.0. Does the landscape have the potential to support habitat functions of the site?</b>	
<p><b>H 2.1. Accessible habitat (only area of habitat abutting wetland). If total accessible habitat is:</b>  <i>Calculate:</i> % undisturbed habitat ____ + [(% moderate and low intensity land uses)/2] ____ = ____%            &gt; 1/3 (33.3%) of 1 km Polygon points = 3            20-33% of 1km Polygon points = 2            10-19% of 1km Polygon points = 1            &lt;10% of 1km Polygon points = 0</p>	3
<p><b>H 2.2. Undisturbed habitat in 1 km Polygon around wetland.</b>  <i>Calculate:</i> % undisturbed habitat ____ + [(% moderate and low intensity land uses)/2] ____ = ____%            Undisturbed habitat &gt; 50% of Polygon points = 3            Undisturbed habitat 10 - 50% and in 1-3 patches points = 2            Undisturbed habitat 10 - 50% and &gt; 3 patches points = 1            Undisturbed habitat &lt; 10% of Polygon points = 0</p>	3
<p><b>H 2.3. Land use intensity in 1 km Polygon:</b>            &gt; 50% of Polygon is high intensity land use points = (- 2)            Does not meet criterion above points = 0</p>	0
<p><b>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</b>            Yes = 3 No = 0</p>	0
<p>Total for H 2</p>	6

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

<b>H 3.0. Is the habitat provided by the site valuable to society?</b>	
<p><b>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</b></p> <p>Site meets ANY of the following criteria: points = 2</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><input type="checkbox"/> It has 3 or more priority habitats within 100 m (see Appendix B)</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> It provides habitat for Threatened or Endangered species (any plant or animal on state or federal lists)</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> It is mapped as a location for an individual WDFW species</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> It is a Wetland of High Conservation Value as determined by the Department of Natural Resources</li> <li><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</li> </ul> <p>Site has 1 or 2 priority habitats within 100 m (see Appendix B) points = 1</p> <p>Site does not meet any of the criteria above points = 0</p>	2

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

Wetland name or number E

**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>	
<p><b>SC 1.0. Vernal pools</b></p> <p>Is the wetland <b>less than 4000 ft<sup>2</sup></b>, and does it meet at least <b>two</b> of the following criteria?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>— Its only source of water is rainfall or snowmelt from a small contributing basin and has no groundwater input.</li> <li>— 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></li> <li>— The soil in the wetland is shallow (&lt; 1 ft (30 cm) deep) and is underlain by an impermeable layer such as basalt or clay.</li> <li>— Surface water is present for less than 120 days during the wet season.</li> </ul> <p style="text-align: right;">Yes – Go to <b>SC 1.1</b> No = <b>Not a vernal pool</b></p> <p>SC 1.1. Is the vernal pool relatively undisturbed in February and March?  <span style="float: right;">Yes – Go to <b>SC 1.2</b> No = <b>Not a vernal pool with special characteristics</b></span></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.)?  <span style="float: right;">Yes = <b>Category II</b> No = <b>Category III</b></span></p>	<p><b>Cat. II</b> <b>Cat. III</b></p>
<p><b>SC 2.0. Alkali wetlands</b></p> <p>Does the wetland meet <b>one</b> of the following criteria?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>— The wetland has a conductivity &gt; 3.0 mS/cm.</li> <li>— 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).</li> <li>— 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.</li> </ul> <p><b>OR</b> does the wetland unit meet two of the following three sub-criteria?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>— Salt encrustations around more than 75% of the edge of the wetland</li> <li>— More than ¾ of the plant cover consists of species listed on Table 4</li> <li>— 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.</li> </ul> <p style="text-align: right;">Yes = <b>Category I</b> <b>NC</b> = <b>Not an alkali wetland</b></p>	<p><b>Cat. I</b></p>
<p><b>SC 3.0. Wetlands of High Conservation Value (WHCV)</b></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?  <span style="float: right;">Yes – Go to <b>SC 3.2</b> No – Go to <b>SC 3.3</b></span></p> <p>SC 3.2. Is the wetland listed on the WDNR database as a Wetland of High Conservation Value?  <span style="float: right;">Yes = <b>Category I</b> <b>NC</b> = <b>Not a WHCV</b></span></p> <p>SC 3.3. Is the wetland in a Section/Township/Range that contains a Natural Heritage wetland?  <a href="http://www1.dnr.wa.gov/nhp/refdesk/datasearch/wnhpwetlands.pdf">http://www1.dnr.wa.gov/nhp/refdesk/datasearch/wnhpwetlands.pdf</a>  <span style="float: right;">Yes – <b>Contact WNHP/WDNR and go to SC 3.4</b> No = <b>Not a WHCV</b></span></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?  <span style="float: right;">Yes = <b>Category I</b> No = <b>Not a WHCV</b></span></p>	<p><b>Cat. I</b></p>

Wetland name or number E

<p><b>SC 4.0 Bogs and Calcareous Fens</b>          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 <b>SC 4.3</b> No – Go to <b>SC 4.2</b></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 <b>SC 4.3</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>Is not a bog for rating</b></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 = <b>Category I bog</b> No – Go to <b>SC 4.4</b>  <b>NOTE:</b> 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 (&gt; 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 = <b>Category I bog</b> No – Go to <b>SC 4.5</b></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 = <b>Is a Calcareous Fen for purpose of rating</b> No – Go to <b>SC 4.6</b></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<sub>3</sub>) 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 = <b>Is a Category I calcareous fen</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>Is not a calcareous fen</b></p>	<p>Cat. I</p> <p>Cat. I</p>
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<p><b>SC 5.0. Forested Wetlands</b>          Does the wetland have an area of forest rooted within its boundary that meets <b>at least one</b> 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"> <li>— The wetland is within the 100 year floodplain of a river or stream</li> <li>— Aspen (<i>Populus tremuloides</i>) represents at least 20% of the total cover of woody species</li> <li>— 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>)</li> </ul> <p>Yes – Go to <b>SC 5.1</b> No = <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>Not a forested wetland with special characteristics</b></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 = <b>Category I</b> No – Go to <b>SC 5.2</b></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 = <b>Category I</b> No – Go to <b>SC 5.3</b></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 = <b>Category II</b> No – Go to <b>SC 5.4</b></p> <p>SC 5.4. Is the forested component of the wetland within the 100 year floodplain of a river or stream?          Yes = <b>Category II</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>Not a forested wetland with special characteristics</b></p>	<p>Cat. I</p> <p>Cat. I</p> <p>Cat. II</p> <p>Cat. II</p>
<p><b>Category of wetland based on Special Characteristics</b>          Choose the highest rating if wetland falls into several categories          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 ríprap 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 #): F Date of site visit: 5-23-23  
 Rated by Jes Braun 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 NV5

OVERALL WETLAND CATEGORY 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			
<i>Circle the appropriate ratings</i>										
Site Potential	H	M	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> L	H	M	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> L	H	M	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> L	
Landscape Potential	H	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> M	L	H	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> M	L	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> H	M	L	
Value	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> H	M	L	H	M	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> L	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> H	M	L	TOTAL
Score Based on Ratings	6			4			7			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	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> II	<input type="checkbox"/> III
Alkali	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> I	
Wetland of High Conservation Value	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> I	
Bog and Calcareous Fens	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> I	
Old Growth or Mature Forest – slow growing	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> I	
Aspen Forest	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> I	
Old Growth or Mature Forest – fast growing	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> II	
Floodplain forest	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> II	
None of the above	None of the above	

Wetland name or number: F

**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 See Wetland A or B for list of figures used

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 <b>dense</b> trees, shrubs, and herbaceous plants	S 1.3	
Plant cover of <b>dense, rigid</b> 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	

Wetland name or number F

## 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 F

<b>RIVERINE WETLANDS</b>		Points (only 1 score per box)
<b>Water Quality Functions - Indicators that the site functions to improve water quality</b>		
<b>R 1.0. Does the site have the potential to improve water quality?</b>		
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 No depressions present	points = 6 points = 3 points = 1 points = 0	0
R 1.2. Structure of plants in the wetland (areas with >90% cover at person height; <b>not</b> 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 Ungrazed herbaceous plants $\frac{1}{3} - \frac{2}{3}$ area of wetland Forest, shrub, and ungrazed herbaceous $< \frac{1}{3}$ area of wetland	points = 10 points = 5 points = 5 points = 2 points = 0	0
Total for R 1	Add the points in the boxes above	0

**Rating of Site Potential** If score is: 12-16 = H 6-11 = M X 0-5 = L *Record the rating on the first page*

<b>R 2.0. Does the landscape have the potential to support the water quality function of the site?</b>		
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	1
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	0
R 2.4. Is > 10% of the area within 150 ft of wetland in land uses that generate pollutants	Yes = 1 No = 0	0
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	1

**Rating of Landscape Potential** If score is: 3-6 = H X 1 or 2 = M 0 = L *Record the rating on the first page*

<b>R 3.0. Is the water quality improvement provided by the site valuable to society?</b>		
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	1
R 3.2. Does the river or stream have TMDL limits for nutrients, toxics, or pathogens?	Yes = 1 No = 0	1
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 No = 0	2
Total for R 3	Add the points in the boxes above	4

**Rating of Value** If score is: X 2-4 = H 1 = M 0 = L *Record the rating on the first page*

