WETLAND DETERMINATION DATA FORM
Great Plains Region

Project/Site:	L3R	Date:	06/24/14
Applicant:	Enbridge	County:	Marshall
Investigators:	EAB/RAJ	State:	MN
Subregion (MLRA or LRR):	MLRA 56		
Soil Unit:	I132A	NWI Classification:	
Landform:	Depression	Local Relief: CL	
Slope (%):	0 - 2%	Latitude: 48.542558 Longitude: -96.891268 Datum:	Sample Point: **w-158n48w6-b1**
Are climatic/hydrologic conditions on the site typical for this time of year? (If no, explain in remarks)		☐ Yes ☑ No	Section:
Are Vegetation ☐, Soil ☐, or Hydrology ☐ significantly disturbed?	Are normal circumstances present?		Township:
Are Vegetation ☐, Soil ☐, or Hydrology ☐ naturally problematic?	☑ Yes ☐ No		Range: Dir:

SUMMARY OF FINDINGS

Hydrophytic Vegetation Present? Yes
Wetland Hydrology Present? Yes
Hydric Soils Present? Yes
Is This Sampling Point Within A Wetland? **Yes**

Remarks: The wetland is a fresh meadow dominated by prairie cordgrass and located in a roadside ditch. Construction/installation of pipelines and fiber optic cables have disturbed the ditch. The region has received above-average rainfall in recent weeks.

HYDROLOGY

Wetland Hydrology Indicators (Check all that apply; Minimum of one primary or two secondary required)**:**

Primary:

- ☑ A1 - Surface Water
- ☐ A2 - High Water Table
- ☑ A3 - Saturation
- ☐ B1 - Water Marks
- ☐ B2 - Sediment Deposits
- ☐ B3 - Drift Deposits
- ☐ B4 - Algal Mat or Crust
- ☐ B5 - Iron Deposits
- ☐ B7 - Inundation Visible on Aerial Imagery
- ☐ B9 - Water-Stained Leaves
- ☐ B11 - Salt Crust
- ☐ B13 - Aquatic Fauna
- ☑ C1 - Hydrogen Sulfide Odor
- ☐ C2 - Dry Season Water Table
- ☐ C3 - Oxidized Rhizospheres on Living Roots (not tille
- ☐ C4 - Presence of Reduced Iron
- ☐ C7 - Thin Muck Surface
- ☐ Other (Explain)

Secondary:

- ☐ B6 - Surface Soil Cracks
- ☐ B8 - Sparsely Vegetated Concave Surface
- ☐ B10 - Drainage Patterns
- ☐ C3 - Oxidized Rhizospheres on Living Roots (tilled)
- ☐ C8 - Crayfish Burrows
- ☐ C9 - Saturation Visible on Aerial Imagery
- ☑ D2 - Geomorphic Position
- ☑ D5 - FAC-Neutral Test
- ☐ D7 - Frost-Heaved Hummocks (LRR F)

Field Observations:

Surface Water Present?	Yes	☑	Depth: 8	(in.)
Water Table Present?	Yes	☐	Depth:	(in.)
Saturation Present?	Yes	☑	Depth: 0	(in.)

Wetland Hydrology Present? Y

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

Remarks: Heavy rains have impacted the current surface water and saturation depths. There is a strong odor of hydrogen sulfide when soils are trodden. The water table depth is unknown since soils could not be sampled in the roadside ditch.

SOILS

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

(Type: C=Concentration, D=Depletion, RM=Reduced Matrix, CS=Covered/Coated Sand Grains; Location: PL=Pore Lining, M=Matrix)

Depth (In.)	Matrix Color (Moist)	Matrix %	Mottles Color (Moist)	Mottles %	Mottles Type	Mottles Location	Texture	Remarks

NRCS Hydric Soil Field Indicators (check here if indicators are not present)**:** ☐

- ☐ A1- Histosol
- ☐ A2 - Histic Epipedon
- ☐ A3 - Black Histic
- ☑ A4 - Hydrogen Sulfide
- ☐ A5 - Stratified Layers (LRR F)
- ☐ A9 - 1 cm Muck (LRR FGH)
- ☐ A11 - Depleted Below Dark Surface
- ☐ A12 - Thick Dark Surface
- ☐ S1 - Sandy Mucky Mineral
- ☐ S2 - 2.5 cm Mucky Peat or Peat (LRR G, H)
- ☐ S3 - 5 cm Mucky Peat or Peat (LRR F)
- ☐ S4 - Sandy Gleyed Matrix
- ☐ S5 - Sandy Redox
- ☐ S6 - Stripped Matrix
- ☐ F1 - Loamy Mucky Mineral
- ☐ F2 - Loamy Gleyed Matrix
- ☐ F3 - Depleted Matrix
- ☐ F6 - Redox Dark Surface
- ☐ F7 - Depleted Dark Surface
- ☐ F8 - Redox Depressions
- ☐ F16 - High Plains Depressions (MLRA 72, 73 of LRR H)

Indicators for Problematic Soils[1]

- ☐ A9 - 1 cm Muck (LRR I, J)
- ☐ A16 - Cost Prairie Redox (LRR F, G, H)
- ☐ S7 - Dark Surface (LRR G)
- ☐ F16 - High Plains Depressions (LRR H, outisde MLRA 72, 73)
- ☐ F18 - Reduced Vertic
- ☐ TF2 - Red Parent Material
- ☐ TF12 - Very Shallow Dark Surface
- ☐ Other (Explain in Remarks)

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

Restrictive Layer Type: Depth:

Hydric Soil Present? Y

Remarks: Soils could not be sampled due to digging restrictions and marked utility lines in the roadside ditch. However, there is a strong hydrogen sulfide odor emanating from the soil.

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VEGETATION (Species identified in all uppercase are non-native species.)

Tree Stratum (Plot size: 30 ft. radius)

	Species Name	% Cover	Dominant	Ind.Status
1.				
2.				
3.				
4.				
5.				
6.				
7.				
8.				
9.				
10.				

Total Cover = 0

Sapling/Shrub Stratum (Plot size: 15 ft. radius)

1.				
2.				
3.				
4.				
5.				
6.				
7.				
8.				
9.				
10.				

Total Cover = 0

Herb Stratum (Plot size: 5 ft. radius)

1.	*Spartina pectinata*	60	Y	FACW
2.	*Carex pellita*	15	N	OBL
3.	*Elymus repens*	10	N	FACU
4.	*Juncus arcticus*	10	N	FACW
5.	*Apocynum cannabinum*	1	N	FAC
6				
7.				
8.				
9.				
10.				
11.				
12.				
13.				
14.				
15.				

Total Cover = 96

Woody Vine Stratum (Plot size: 30 ft. radius)

1.				
2.				
3.				
5.				
4.				

Total Cover = 0

Dominance Test Worksheet

Number of Dominant Species that are OBL, FACW, or FAC: 1 (A)

Total Number of Dominant Species Across All Strata: 1 (B)

Percent of Dominant Species That Are OBL, FACW, or FAC: ***100.0%*** (A/B)

Prevalence Index Worksheet

Total % Cover of:		Multiply by:	
OBL spp.	15	x 1 =	15
FACW spp.	70	x 2 =	140
FAC spp.	1	x 3 =	3
FACU spp.	10	x 4 =	40
UPL spp.	0	x 5 =	0
Total	96 (A)		198 (B)

Prevalence Index = B/A = ***2.063***

Hydrophytic Vegetation Indicators:

	Rapid Test for Hydrophytic Vegetation
X	Dominance Test is > 50%
X	Prevalence Index is ≤ 3.0 *
	Morphological Adaptations (Explain) *
	Problem Hydrophytic Vegetation (Explain) *

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

Definitions of Vegetation Strata:

Tree - Woody plants 3 in. (7.6cm) or more in diameter at breast height (DBH), regardless of height.

Sapling/Shrub - Woody plants less than 3 in. DBH, regardless of height.

Herb - All herbaceous (non-woody) plants, regardless of size.

Woody Vines - All woody vines, regardless of height.

Hydrophytic Vegetation Present? Y

Remarks: The vegetation is dominated by prairie cordgrass, with arctic rush, woolly sedge, and quackgrass present in some abundance.

Additional Remarks: