WETLAND DETERMINATION DATA FORM
Great Plains Region

Project/Site:	L3R	Date:	08/23/14
Applicant:	Enbridge	County:	Pennington
Investigators:	BEH/RAJ	State:	MN
Subregion (MLRA or LRR):	MLRA 56		
Soil Unit:	IGp	NWI Classification:	
Landform:	Crest	Local Relief: VL	
Slope (%):	3 - 7%	Latitude: 48.15690192 Longitude: -96.359380347 Datum:	Sample Point: **u-154n44w18-c1**
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? No
Hydric Soils Present? No
Is This Sampling Point Within A Wetland? **No**

Remarks: The upland sample point is dominated by balsam poplar trees, trembling aspen saplings, and smooth brome. The site is on a narrow ridge above a willow-dominated area. The overall area is undulating, with alternating ridges and swales.

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: _____ (in.)
Water Table Present? Yes ☐ Depth: _____ (in.)
Saturation Present? Yes ☐ Depth: _____ (in.)

Wetland Hydrology Present? N

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

Remarks: No primary or secondary hydrological indicators were observed.

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
0-16	Hue_10YR	2/2	100						LS	
16-23	Hue_10YR	4/4	90	Hue_10YR	2/1	10	C	M	LS	

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 - Coast Prairie Redox (LRR F, G, H)
- ☐ S7 - Dark Surface (LRR G)
- ☐ F16 - High Plains Depressions (LRR H, outside 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? N

Remarks: Soil is two layers of brown loamy sand; the bottom layer has some black inclusions. The profile does not meet any hydric soil indicators.

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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.	*Populus balsamifera*	55	Y	FACW
2.				
3.				
4.				
5.				
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9.				
10.				

Total Cover = 55

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

1.	*Populus tremuloides*	15	Y	FAC
2.	*Populus balsamifera*	3	N	FACW
3.				
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10.				

Total Cover = 18

Herb Stratum (Plot size: 5 ft. radius)

1.	*Bromus inermis*	85	Y	UPL
2.	*Asclepias syriaca*	25	Y	UPL
3.	*Poa pratensis*	10	N	FACU
4.	*Melilotus officinalis*	5	N	FACU
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14.				
15.				

Total Cover = 125

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

1.	*Vitis riparia*	1	Y	FAC
2.				
3.				
5.				
4.				

Total Cover = 1

Dominance Test Worksheet

Number of Dominant Species that are OBL, FACW, or FAC: 3 (A)

Total Number of Dominant Species Across All Strata: 5 (B)

Percent of Dominant Species That Are OBL, FACW, or FAC: ***60.0%*** (A/B)

Prevalence Index Worksheet

Total % Cover of:		Multiply by:	
OBL spp.	0	x 1 =	0
FACW spp.	58	x 2 =	116
FAC spp.	16	x 3 =	48
FACU spp.	15	x 4 =	60
UPL spp.	110	x 5 =	550
Total	199 (A)		774 (B)

Prevalence Index = B/A = ***3.889***

Hydrophytic Vegetation Indicators:

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

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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: Balsam poplar dominates the canopy, trembling aspen the shrub layer; smooth brome and common milkweed dominate the ground layer.

Additional Remarks: