

WETLAND DETERMINATION DATA FORM
Great Plains Region

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| Project/Site: | L3R | Subregion (MLRA or LRR): | MLRA 56 | Date: | 09/24/14 |
| Applicant: | Enbridge | County: | Pennington | State: | MN |
| Investigators: | RAJ/BJC | | | | |
| Soil Unit: | I70A | NWI Classification: | | | |
| Landform: | Dip | Local Relief: | CC | Sample Point: | w-154n44w33-bb1 |
| Slope (%): | 0 - 2% | Latitude: | 48.118479 | Longitude: | -96.311255 |
| Are climatic/hydrologic conditions on the site typical for this time of year? (If no, explain in remarks) | | | | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No | |
| Are Vegetation <input type="checkbox"/> Soil <input type="checkbox"/> or Hydrology <input type="checkbox"/> significantly disturbed? | | | Are normal circumstances present? | | |
| Are Vegetation <input type="checkbox"/> Soil <input type="checkbox"/> or Hydrology <input type="checkbox"/> naturally problematic? | | | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No | | |

SUMMARY OF FINDINGS

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

Remarks: A hardwood swamp dominated by quaking aspen and balsam poplar with a fringe of willow at the edge and a small area of wet meadow on the west side of the wetland where the willows have been mowed. There is a very gradual transition from wetland to upland; delineation of the wetland boundary was based on a small topographic change and a shift in plant species abundances. All parameters of wetland conditions are met.

HYDROLOGY

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

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| <u>Primary:</u> <input type="checkbox"/> A1 - Surface Water <input type="checkbox"/> A2 - High Water Table <input type="checkbox"/> A3 - Saturation <input type="checkbox"/> B1 - Water Marks <input type="checkbox"/> B2 - Sediment Deposits <input type="checkbox"/> B3 - Drift Deposits <input type="checkbox"/> B4 - Algal Mat or Crust <input type="checkbox"/> B5 - Iron Deposits <input type="checkbox"/> B7 - Inundation Visible on Aerial Imagery <input type="checkbox"/> B9 - Water-Stained Leaves | <input type="checkbox"/> B11 - Salt Crust <input type="checkbox"/> B13 - Aquatic Fauna <input type="checkbox"/> C1 - Hydrogen Sulfide Odor <input type="checkbox"/> C2 - Dry Season Water Table <input type="checkbox"/> C3 - Oxidized Rhizospheres on Living Roots (not till) <input type="checkbox"/> C4 - Presence of Reduced Iron <input type="checkbox"/> C7 - Thin Muck Surface <input type="checkbox"/> Other (Explain) | <u>Secondary:</u> <input type="checkbox"/> B6 - Surface Soil Cracks <input type="checkbox"/> B8 - Sparsely Vegetated Concave Surface <input type="checkbox"/> B10 - Drainage Patterns <input type="checkbox"/> C3 - Oxidized Rhizospheres on Living Roots (tilled) <input type="checkbox"/> C8 - Crayfish Burrows <input type="checkbox"/> C9 - Saturation Visible on Aerial Imagery <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> D2 - Geomorphic Position <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> D5 - FAC-Neutral Test <input type="checkbox"/> D7 - Frost-Heaved Hummocks (LRR F) |
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Field Observations:

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| Surface Water Present? Yes <input type="checkbox"/> Depth: _____ (in.) Water Table Present? Yes <input type="checkbox"/> Depth: _____ (in.) Saturation Present? Yes <input type="checkbox"/> Depth: _____ (in.) | Wetland Hydrology Present? <u>Y</u> |
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Describe Recorded Data (stream gauge, monitoring well, aerial photos, previous inspections), if available:

Remarks: The wetland shows signs of periodic inundation.

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 | | | Mottles | | | | Texture | Remarks |
|-------------|---------------|-----|-----|---------------|---|------|----------|---------|---------|
| | Color (Moist) | % | | Color (Moist) | % | Type | Location | | |
| 0-12 | Hue_10YR | 2/1 | 100 | | | | | CL | |
| 12-14 | Hue_10YR | 3/1 | 100 | | | | | FSL | |
| 14-18 | Hue_2.5Y | 6/1 | 100 | | | | | FS | |
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NRCS Hydric Soil Field Indicators (check here if indicators are not present):

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| <input type="checkbox"/> A1 - Histosol <input type="checkbox"/> A2 - Histic Epipedon <input type="checkbox"/> A3 - Black Histic <input type="checkbox"/> A4 - Hydrogen Sulfide <input type="checkbox"/> A5 - Stratified Layers (LRR F) <input type="checkbox"/> A9 - 1 cm Muck (LRR FGH) <input type="checkbox"/> A11 - Depleted Below Dark Surface <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A12 - Thick Dark Surface <input type="checkbox"/> S1 - Sandy Mucky Mineral <input type="checkbox"/> S2 - 2.5 cm Mucky Peat or Peat (LRR G, H) <input type="checkbox"/> S3 - 5 cm Mucky Peat or Peat (LRR F) <input type="checkbox"/> S4 - Sandy Gleyed Matrix | <input type="checkbox"/> S5 - Sandy Redox <input type="checkbox"/> S6 - Stripped Matrix <input type="checkbox"/> F1 - Loamy Mucky Mineral <input type="checkbox"/> F2 - Loamy Gleyed Matrix <input type="checkbox"/> F3 - Depleted Matrix <input type="checkbox"/> F6 - Redox Dark Surface <input type="checkbox"/> F7 - Depleted Dark Surface <input type="checkbox"/> F8 - Redox Depressions <input type="checkbox"/> F16 - High Plains Depressions (MLRA 72, 73 of LRR H) | Indicators for Problematic Soils¹ <input type="checkbox"/> A9 - 1 cm Muck (LRR I, J) <input type="checkbox"/> A16 - Coast Prairie Redox (LRR F, G, H) <input type="checkbox"/> S7 - Dark Surface (LRR G) <input type="checkbox"/> F16 - High Plains Depressions (LRR H, outside MLRA 72, 73) <input type="checkbox"/> F18 - Reduced Vertic <input type="checkbox"/> TF2 - Red Parent Material <input type="checkbox"/> TF12 - Very Shallow Dark Surface <input type="checkbox"/> Other (Explain in Remarks) |
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¹Indicators of hydrophytic vegetation and wetland hydrology must be present, unless disturbed or problematic.

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| Restrictive Layer Type: _____ Depth: _____ | Hydric Soil Present? <u>Y</u> |
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Remarks: The soil has a 14-inch dark surface over depleted fine sand. The soil fits indicator A12, Thick Dark Surface.

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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. | <i>Populus tremuloides</i> | 30 | Y | FAC |
| 2. | <i>Populus balsamifera</i> | 25 | Y | FACW |
| 3. | <i>Salix discolor</i> | 20 | Y | FACW |
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| 7. | | | | |
| 8. | | | | |
| 9. | | | | |
| 10. | | | | |
| | | Total Cover = | 75 | |

Dominance Test Worksheet

Number of Dominant Species that are OBL, FACW, or FAC: **6** (A)

Total Number of Dominant Species Across All Strata: **6** (B)

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

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

| | | | | |
|-----|----------------------------|---------------|-----------|------|
| 1. | <i>Salix discolor</i> | 30 | Y | FACW |
| 2. | <i>Salix eriocephala</i> | 10 | Y | FACW |
| 3. | <i>Populus tremuloides</i> | 5 | N | FAC |
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| 9. | | | | |
| 10. | | | | |
| | | Total Cover = | 45 | |

Prevalence Index Worksheet

| Total % Cover of: | Multiply by: | |
|--------------------------|--------------|----------------|
| OBL spp. 5 | x 1 = | 5 |
| FACW spp. 160 | x 2 = | 320 |
| FAC spp. 35 | x 3 = | 105 |
| FACU spp. 20 | x 4 = | 80 |
| UPL spp. 0 | x 5 = | 0 |
| Total 220 (A) | | 510 (B) |
| Prevalence Index = B/A = | | 2.318 |

Herb Stratum (Plot size: 5 ft. radius)

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|-----|-----------------------------|---------------|------------|------|
| 1. | <i>Phalaris arundinacea</i> | 70 | Y | FACW |
| 2. | <i>Poa pratensis</i> | 20 | N | FACU |
| 3. | <i>Carex pellita</i> | 5 | N | OBL |
| 4. | <i>Poa palustris</i> | 5 | N | FACW |
| 5. | <i>Agrostis gigantea</i> | 5 | N | |
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| 14. | | | | |
| 15. | | | | |
| | | Total Cover = | 105 | |

Hydrophytic Vegetation Indicators:

Rapid Test for Hydrophytic Vegetation

Dominance Test is > 50%

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.

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

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| 3. | | | | |
| 5. | | | | |
| 4. | | | | |
| | | Total Cover = | 0 | |

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: **A wet forest dominated by quaking aspen, balsam poplar, pussy willow, and reed canary grass. The trees decline and willows increase to the west side of the wetland area, but it is not distinct enough to be separated as a shrub-dominated community. Hydrophytic vegetation is present.**

Additional Remarks: