WETLAND DETERMINATION DATA FORM – Northcentral and Northeast Region

Project/Site: SPP City/County: Aitkin Sampling Date: 7/8/2013 6:00:00 PM

Applicant/Owner: Enbridge State: MN Sampling Point: AIC5313b1W

Investigator(s): ASK/OTG Section, Township, Range: _____

Landform (hillslope, terrace, etc.): Depression Local relief (concave, convex, none): LL

Slope (%): 0 - 2% Lat: 46.5888720166667 Long: -93.1234176833333 Datum: _____

Soil Map Unit Name: 504B NWI classification: PSSB

Are climatic / hydrologic conditions on the site typical for this time of year? Yes ✔ No _____ (If no, explain in Remarks.)

Are Vegetation _____, Soil _____, or Hydrology _____ significantly disturbed? Are "Normal Circumstances" present? Yes ✔ No _____

Are Vegetation _____, Soil _____, or Hydrology _____ naturally problematic? (If needed, explain any answers in Remarks.)

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

Hydrophytic Vegetation Present?	Yes ✔	No _____	**Is the Sampled Area within a Wetland?** **Yes** ✔ **No** _____
Hydric Soil Present?	Yes ✔	No _____	
Wetland Hydrology Present?	Yes ✔	No _____	If yes, optional Wetland Site ID: _____

Remarks: (Explain alternative procedures here or in a separate report.)
Forested wetland south of a hayed pasture. Soils seem to be tampered with but still hold hydrology properties. A ditch is located to the southwest of the wetland.

HYDROLOGY

Wetland Hydrology Indicators:

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

- ___ Surface Water (A1)
- ___ High Water Table (A2)
- ___ Saturation (A3)
- ___ Water Marks (B1)
- ___ Sediment Deposits (B2)
- ___ Drift Deposits (B3)
- ___ Algal Mat or Crust (B4)
- ___ Iron Deposits (B5)
- ___ Inundation Visible on Aerial Imagery (B7)
- ___ Sparsely Vegetated Concave Surface (B8)
- ___ Water-Stained Leaves (B9)
- ___ Aquatic Fauna (B13)
- ___ Marl Deposits (B15)
- ___ Hydrogen Sulfide Odor (C1)
- ___ Oxidized Rhizospheres on Living Roots (C3)
- ___ Presence of Reduced Iron (C4)
- ___ Recent Iron Reduction in Tilled Soils (C6)
- ___ Thin Muck Surface (C7)
- ___ Other (Explain in Remarks)

Secondary Indicators (minimum of two required)

- ___ Surface Soil Cracks (B6)
- ___ Drainage Patterns (B10)
- ___ Moss Trim Lines (B16)
- ___ Dry-Season Water Table (C2)
- ___ Crayfish Burrows (C8)
- ___ Saturation Visible on Aerial Imagery (C9)
- ___ Stunted or Stressed Plants (D1)
- ✔ Geomorphic Position (D2)
- ___ Shallow Aquitard (D3)
- ___ Microtopographic Relief (D4)
- ✔ FAC-Neutral Test (D5)

Field Observations:

Surface Water Present?	Yes ___	No ✔	Depth (inches): _____
Water Table Present?	Yes ___	No ✔	Depth (inches): _____
Saturation Present? (includes capillary fringe)	Yes ___	No ✔	Depth (inches): _____

Wetland Hydrology Present? **Yes** ✔ **No** ___

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

Remarks:
Located in a geomorphic position and passes the FAC-neutral test; also has prominent redox features.

VEGETATION – Use scientific names of plants.

Sampling Point: AIC5313b1

Tree Stratum (Plot size: 30)	Absolute % Cover	Dominant Species?	Indicator Status
1. Larix laricina	40	Yes	FACW
2. Betula papyrifera	20	Yes	FACU
3. Alnus incana	10	No	FACW
4.			
5.			
6.			

Total Cover: 70

50% of total cover: _____ 20% of total cover: _____

Sapling/Shrub Stratum (Plot size: 15)			
1. Alnus incana	50	Yes	FACW
2. Ilex verticillata	10	No	FACW
3.			
4.			
5.			
6.			

Total Cover: 60

50% of total cover: _____ 20% of total cover: _____

Herb Stratum (Plot size: 5)			
1. Calamagrostis canadensis	70	Yes	OBL
2. Onoclea sensibilis	40	Yes	FACW
3. Phalaris arundinacea	20	No	FACW
4. Rubus idaeus	10	No	FAC
5. Maianthemum canadense	10	No	FACU
6.			
7.			
8.			
9.			
10.			
11.			

Total Cover: 150

50% of total cover: _____ 20% of total cover: _____

Woody Vine Stratum (Plot size: 30)			
1.			
2.			
3.			
4.			

Total Cover: 0

50% of total cover: _____ 20% of total cover: _____

Dominance Test worksheet:

Number of Dominant Species That Are OBL, FACW, or FAC: 4 (A)

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

Percent of Dominant Species That Are OBL, FACW, or FAC: 80 (A/B)

Prevalence Index worksheet:

Total % Cover of:		Multiply by:	
OBL species	70	x 1 =	70
FACW species	170	x 2 =	340
FAC species	10	x 3 =	30
FACU species	30	x 4 =	120
UPL species	0	x 5 =	0
Column Totals:	280 (A)		560 (B)

Prevalence Index = B/A = 2

Hydrophytic Vegetation Indicators:

✔ Rapid Test for Hydrophytic Vegetation

✔ Dominance Test is >50%

✔ Prevalence Index is ≤3.0[1]

___ Morphological Adaptations[1] (Provide supporting data in Remarks or on a separate sheet)

___ Problematic Hydrophytic Vegetation[1] (Explain)

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

Definitions of Vegetation Strata:

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

Sapling/shrub – Woody plants less than 3 in. DBH and greater than 3.28 ft (1 m) tall.

Herb – All herbaceous (non-woody) plants, regardless of size, and woody plants less than 3.28 ft tall.

Woody vines – All woody vines greater than 3.28 ft in height.

Hydrophytic Vegetation Present? **Yes** ✔ **No** _____

Remarks: (Include photo numbers here or on a separate sheet.)

A forested wetland with some upland species. Wetland dominated by Alnus incana, Larix laricina, Calamagrostis canadensis, and Onoclea sensibilis.

SOIL

Sampling Point: AIC5313b1

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

Depth (inches)	Matrix Color (moist)	Matrix %	Redox Features Color (moist)	Redox Features %	Type[1]	Loc[2]	Texture	Remarks
0 - 7	10YR 3/2	98	10YR 4/6	2.00	C	M	SCL	
7 - 18	10YR 5/2	90	10YR 4/6	10.00	C	M	SICL	

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

Hydric Soil Indicators:

- ✔ Histosol (A1)
- ✔ Histic Epipedon (A2)
- ✔ Black Histic (A3)
- ✔ Hydrogen Sulfide (A4)
- ✔ Stratified Layers (A5)
- ✔ Depleted Below Dark Surface (A11)
- ✔ Thick Dark Surface (A12)
- ___ Sandy Mucky Mineral (S1)
- ___ Sandy Gleyed Matrix (S4)
- ___ Sandy Redox (S5)
- ___ Stripped Matrix (S6)
- ___ Dark Surface (S7) (**LRR R, MLRA 149B**)
- ___ Polyvalue Below Surface (S8) (**LRR R, MLRA 149B**)
- ___ Thin Dark Surface (S9) (**LRR R, MLRA 149B**)
- ___ Loamy Mucky Mineral (F1) (**LRR K, L**)
- ___ Loamy Gleyed Matrix (F2)
- ✔ Depleted Matrix (F3)
- ___ Redox Dark Surface (F6)
- ___ Depleted Dark Surface (F7)
- ___ Redox Depressions (F8)

Indicators for Problematic Hydric Soils[3]:

- ___ 2 cm Muck (A10) (**LRR K, L, MLRA 149B**)
- ___ Coast Prairie Redox (A16) (**LRR K, L, R**)
- ___ 5 cm Mucky Peat or Peat (S3) (**LRR K, L, R**)
- ___ Dark Surface (S7) (**LRR K, L**)
- ___ Polyvalue Below Surface (S8) (**LRR K, L**)
- ___ Thin Dark Surface (S9) (**LRR K, L**)
- ___ Iron-Manganese Masses (F12) (**LRR K, L, R**)
- ___ Piedmont Floodplain Soils (F19) (**MLRA 149B**)
- ___ Mesic Spodic (TA6) (**MLRA 144A, 145, 149B**)
- ___ Red Parent Material (F21)
- ___ Very Shallow Dark Surface (TF12)
- ___ Other (Explain in Remarks)

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

Restrictive Layer (if observed):

Type: _____

Depth (inches): 0.00

Hydric Soil Present? **Yes** ✔ **No** ___

Remarks: A depleted matrix of silty clay loam with prominent redox in the matrix.