Critical Area Report - VERSION 3



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Introduction:

Environmental Design, LLC conducted a Critical Area Study on December 15, 2021 to determine if critical area habitat is present on the site located at Highway 12 in Packwood. The client is proposing a development on the site. Due to the extent of the project, a second site visit was completed on August 1, 2023 with Lewis County and Department of Ecology. During the site inspection a small off site wetland was noted.

In order to conduct a thorough review of the site to determine if critical areas are present on the site several resources were reviewed. The project started by pulling research and reviewing the research from several sources. After reviewing the research, it was noted that a stream is mapped on the northwest corner of the site on the county base map; however, it was not mapped in any of the other sources as being present or as a critical habitat. A site visit was then conducted to verify if critical areas were present.

Site Description:

The site is located at Highway 12 in Packwood, Washington. The site is in Section 21 of Township 13 North, Range 09 East and is identified by Lewis County with the parcel numbers 035185001000 and 035185002000. The total acreage of the parcels are about 14 acres. The site has been maintained as vacant property. The topography of the site is flat and has a mapped stream on the northwest property line. The site has a man-made ditch on the western side that runs northeast off the site and connects to a pond.

The area around the site is primarily residential and vacant land.

Methodology:

A site visit was conducted on December 15, 2021 and August 1, 2023 where Environmental Design walked the property and reviewed the site for critical areas. The site has an open field area and a forested area with an overall flat topography. The northwest corner was inspected for stream habitat. The August 1, 2023 visit was to determine if wetlands are present on or near the site. A small wetland area was noted in the man-made drainage area.

Environmental Design, LLC completed the wetland study of this site by using the <u>Routine</u> <u>Determination Method</u> according to the <u>1987 U.S. Army Corp of Engineers Wetland Delineation</u> <u>Manual</u> and the 2010 <u>Regional Supplement to the Corps of Engineers Wetland Delineation</u> <u>Manual: Western Mountains, Valleys, and Coast Region.</u>

In order to complete this method first research was conducted by pulling information and maps from the National Wetland Inventory website, the Lewis County Website, the NRCS website to find out what the soils were, and also further information was pulled from the Department of Natural Resources website. After reviewing the research, a site visit was conducted and areas were tested where vegetation, elevation, or the soil may have changed.

When using the <u>Routine Approach</u>, a wetland area must meet three specific parameters. These three parameters are hydrology, vegetation and hydric soils. Hydrology can be difficult to assess because it may or may not be present, depending on the time of year. Vegetation and soils are important to assess if there has been hydrology present in the past. If the site meets the hydrology, vegetative and hydric soil parameters then the site is considered a wetland. If one parameter is not met then the area is not considered a wetland. There must be hydrology present as this is the most critical parameter that makes a wetland.

Observations:

Vegetation:

Wetland Vegetation has been classified into indicator statuses of how likely the plant is to be found in a wetland habitat. The indicator status of each plant species can be found on the data forms. The different indicator statuses are listed below:

- Obligate Wetland (OBL) highly likely to be in a natural wetland environment
- Facultative Wetland (FACW) most likely to be present in a natural wetland environment
- Facultative (FAC) can be present in both a natural wetland and non-wetland environment
- Facultative Upland (FACU) –may be present in a natural wetland, but most likely to be seen in non-wetland conditions
- Obligate Upland (UPL) most likely to occur in non-wetland conditions
- No Indicator the plant does not have enough data to determine the indicator status yet

The site is consistently vegetated with a variety of field grass, Douglas fir and brush species. The primary vegetation identified is as listed:

| Common Name | Scientific Name | Indicator |
|-----------------|-----------------------|-----------|
| Douglas Fir | Pseudotsuga menziesii | FACU |
| Annual Ryegrass | Poa annua | FAC |
| Oxeye Daisies | Leucanthemum vulgare | FACU |
| Sword Fern | Polystichum munitum | FACU |

The vegetation did not meet the criteria for wetland habitat on the site. The surrounding areas of the site were observed to be mostly consistent with the same vegetation; however, a depressional area was noted off site where the following vegetation was noted:

| Common Name | Scientific Name | Indicator |
|--------------|-----------------|-----------|
| Slough Sedge | Carex obnupta | OBL |

The depressional area did meet the criteria for wetland vegetation. Since the wetland is off site the wetland area was observed from a distance.

Soils:

The site is mapped as Greenwater Loamy Sand Series according to the U.S.D.A Natural Resources Conservation Service *Soil Survey of Lewis County, Washington (1980)*. The series is not listed on the hydric soils list produced by the U.S.D.A Natural Resources Conservation.

The NRCS describes Greenwater Loamy Sand series as a soils located in escarpments and on terraces. In a representative profile the first layer is a gravelly loamy sand for the first 8 inches and then is a fine sand for the depths between 8 - 19 inches. The following layer extends to a depth of 60 inches and is sand.

The soil on the site was consistent with the mapped the series and is very well drained.

The off site wetland area did have indicators of hydric soil as the soil is cracked and appeared gleyed at the surface. The vegetation and hydrology in the area helped make the conclusion hydric soil is present in this area.

Hydrology:

The site appears to be well drained and did not have evidence of standing water, drainage patterns or oxidized rhizospheres in the soil profile

There is a depressional channel located at the northwest corner of the site. The channel did not have water present during the site visit; however, it does appear to run towards a pond located north of the site. The channel appeared to be a seasonal drainage that contains excess water during high water events.

A small wetland area is located in the drainage off the site and did have indicators of hydrology.

Wildlife:

The area is shown to have Mule Deer, Elk and Spotted Owl present as a priority species listed on the Priority Habitat Species Map produced by Fish and Wildlife. The site has a field for feeding and a forested area that provides great habitat for wildlife.

Topography:

The topography of the site is flat and a channel is located on the northwest corner of the site.

Surrounding Critical Areas and Impacts:

The National Wetlands Inventory (NWI) map and other maps do not depict mapped wetlands within the area. It needs to be noted that the NWI maps and GeoData Center need to be used cautiously as they compile general wetland data.

Environmental Design concludes that stream habitat are not located on the site. A channel area is present on the northwest corner; however, it does not meet the criteria of being a stream as it does not have an ordinary highwater mark or a defined area where water is present throughout most of the year. The channel is a seasonal drainage that alleviates surrounding areas during high water events and does have a small wetland located off the site in the seasonal drainage area.

Wetland Buffer:

Environmental Design concludes that jurisdictional wetland habitat is present off the site. The wetland has been rated in accordance with the current Department of Ecology's Rating forms. For this report the wetland has been named Wetland A.

Wetland A calculated to be a Category IV wetland. The wetland has a protective buffer of 40 feet as stated in Lewis County Critical Area Ordinance 17.38.207 in Table 17.38-3.

Conclusions:

Environmental Design, LLC concludes that stream habitat is not present on the site. A seasonal drainage is present in the northwest corner and a buffer is not required as the drainage is only active during high water events and does not provide habitat for fish species or meets the criteria of being a stream by having an ordinary high water mark or a defined channel.

A wetland is located off the site and was rated to be Category IV with a buffer of 40 feet. The buffer is not of impact to the client's project.

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The determination of this wetland was completed by Environmental Design, LLC. The determination of this wetland is based on scientific method and our best professional judgment. Environmental Design, LLC agrees that the conclusion should agree with the local, state, and federal regulatory agencies.

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Appendix A:

Critical Area Maps

Figure 1: Site Location Map



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0 400 800 1,600 ft NAD 1983 StatePlane Washington South FIPS 4602 Feet

1:9,028



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Map Unit Legend

| Map Unit Symbol | Map Unit Name | Acres in AOI | Percent of AOI | |
|-----------------------------|-----------------------|--------------|----------------|--|
| 92 | Greenwater loamy sand | 36.4 | 90.1% | |
| 247 Xerorthents, spoils | | 4.0 | 9.9% | |
| Totals for Area of Interest | | 40.4 | 100.0% | |





U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service **National Wetlands Inventory**

Figure 4: NWI Map



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Wetlands

- Estuarine and Marine Wetland

Estuarine and Marine Deepwater

Freshwater Pond

Freshwater Emergent Wetland

Freshwater Forested/Shrub Wetland

Lake Other Riverine This map is for general reference only. The US Fish and Wildlife Service is not responsible for the accuracy or currentness of the base data shown on this map. All wetlands related data should be used in accordance with the layer metadata found on the Wetlands Mapper web site.

> National Wetlands Inventory (NWI) This page was produced by the NWI mapper

Figure 5: Lewis County Critical Area Map











Stream Buffers



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Forest Practices Activity Map - Application #







Report Date: 12/05/2022

PHS Species/Habitats Overview:

| Occurence Name | Federal Status | State Status | Sensitive Location |
|----------------------------|----------------|--------------|--------------------|
| Mule and black-tailed deer | N/A | N/A | No |
| Rocky Mountain elk | N/A | N/A | No |
| Northern Spotted Owl | Threatened | Endangered | Yes |

PHS Species/Habitats Details:

| Mule and black-tailed deer | |
|----------------------------|--|
| Scientific Name | Odocoileus hemionus |
| Priority Area | Regular Concentration |
| Site Name | UPPER COWLITZ RIVER DEER WINTER RANGE |
| Notes | DEER WINTER RANGE - HEAVY CONCENTRATIONS OF DEER MOVE DOWN FROM SURROUNDING UPPER ELEVATION AREAS. HIGHEST NUMBERS OBSERVED USING TOE SLOPES OF RIDGES & RIVER VALLEY RIPARIAN CORRIDORS & SMALL DRAINAGE BOTTOMS. |
| Source Record | 905302 |
| Source Dataset | PHSREGION |
| Source Name | OAKERMAN, GROVER WDW |
| Source Entity | WA Dept. of Fish and Wildlife |
| Federal Status | N/A |
| State Status | N/A |
| PHS Listing Status | PHS LISTED OCCURRENCE |
| Sensitive | Ν |
| SGCN | Ν |
| Display Resolution | AS MAPPED |
| ManagementRecommendations | http://wdfw.wa.gov/publications/pub.php?id=00612 |
| Geometry Type | Polygons |

| Rocky Mountain elk | |
|---------------------------|---|
| Scientific Name | Cervus elaphus nelsoni |
| Priority Area | Regular Concentration |
| Site Name | HIGHLAND VALLEY ELK WINTER RANGE |
| Accuracy | 1/4 mile (Quarter Section) |
| Notes | ELK WINTER RANGE - RANGES FROM 100 TO 500 ELK- RESIDENTIAL ENCROACHMENT RESULTING IN NUMEROUS DAMAGE COMPLAINTS MAIN CONCENTRATION ALONG RIVER PLAIN. LOCAL NO SHOOTING ORIDIANCES ARE COMPOUNDING PROBLEMS IN PACKWOOD AND RANDLE. |
| Source Record | 905385 |
| Source Dataset | PHSREGION |
| Source Name | KELLY, GEORGE WDW |
| Source Entity | WA Dept. of Fish and Wildlife |
| Federal Status | N/A |
| State Status | N/A |
| PHS Listing Status | PHS LISTED OCCURRENCE |
| Sensitive | N |
| SGCN | Ν |
| Display Resolution | AS MAPPED |
| ManagementRecommendations | http://wdfw.wa.gov/publications/pub.php?id=00614 |
| Geometry Type | Polygons |

| Northern Spotted Owl | |
|---------------------------|---|
| Scientific Name | Strix occidentalis |
| Notes | This polygon mask represents one or more records of the above species or habitat occurrence. Contact PHS Data Release (360-902-2543) for obtaining information about masked sensitive species and habitats. |
| Federal Status | Threatened |
| State Status | Endangered |
| PHS Listing Status | PHS Listed Occurrence |
| Sensitive | Y |
| SGCN | Y |
| Display Resolution | TOWNSHIP |
| ManagementRecommendations | http://wdfw.wa.gov/publications/pub.php?id=00026 |

DISCLAIMER. This report includes information that the Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife (WDFW) maintains in a central computer database. It is not an attempt to provide you with an official agency response as to the impacts of your project on fish and wildlife. This information only documents the location of fish and wildlife resources to the best of our knowledge. It is not a complete inventory and it is important to note that fish and wildlife resources may occur in areas not currently known to WDFW biologists, or in areas for which comprehensive surveys have not been conducted. Site specific surveys are frequently necessary to rule out the presence of priority resources. Locations of fish and wildlife resources are subject to variation caused by disturbance, changes in season and weather, and other factors. WDFW does not recommend using reports more than six months old.

Appendix B:

Site Pictures

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View of Site



View to Drainage



View to Drainage

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View of Drainage



View of Drainage

Appendix C:

Test Plot Data Forms

WETLAND DETERMINATION DATA FORM – Western Mountains, Valleys, and Coast Region

| Project/Site: US Highway 12 | ty/County: Packwood / Lewis | Sampling Date: 2023-08-01 |
|--|--|---------------------------------------|
| Applicant/Owner: Packwood Land Company | State: Washington | n Sampling Point: WTP1-Upland Typical |
| Investigator(s): Becky Rieger | ection, Township, Range: <u>21-13N-09E</u> | |
| Landform (hillslope, terrace, etc.): | ocal relief (concave, convex, none): | Slope (%): |
| Subregion (LRR): A 1 Lat: | Long: | Datum: NAD83_2011 |
| Soil Map Unit Name: Greenwater Loamy | NWI classi | fication: N/A |
| Are climatic / hydrologic conditions on the site typical for this time of ye | ? Yes 🖌 No (If no, explain in | Remarks.) |
| Are Vegetation, Soil, or Hydrology significantly | sturbed? Are "Normal Circumstances" | " present? Yes 🖌 No |
| Are Vegetation, Soil, or Hydrology naturally pr | ematic? (If needed, explain any answ | vers in Remarks.) |
| SUMMARY OF FINDINGS – Attach site map showing | ampling point locations, transect | ts, important features, etc. |

| Hydrophytic Vegetation Present? Hydric Soil Present? | Yes Yes | | Is the Sampled Area | | | |
|---|------------|------|---------------------|-----|----|--|
| Wetland Hydrology Present? | Yes | No 🖌 | within a Wetland? | Yes | No | |
| Remarks: | | | | | | |
| Site does not meet crite | eria | | | | | |

VEGETATION – Use scientific names of plants.

| | Absolute | Dominant | Indicator | Dominance Test worksheet: |
|-------------------------------------|----------------|-------------|-----------|--|
| Tree Stratum (Plot size:) | <u>% Cover</u> | Species? | Status | Number of Dominant Species |
| 1. Pseudotsuga menziesii | 80 | <u> </u> | FACU | That Are OBL, FACW, or FAC: 0 (A) |
| 2 | | | | Total Number of Dominant |
| 3. | | | | Species Across All Strata: 3 (B) |
| 4 | | | | |
| T | 80% | - Total Ca | | Percent of Dominant Species |
| Sapling/Shrub Stratum (Plot size:) | 0070 | - 10tai C0 | vei | That Are OBL, FACW, or FAC: 0 (A/B) |
| 1 Polystichum munitum | 40 | ~ | FACU | Prevalence Index worksheet: |
| o Gaultheria shallon | 30 | ~ | FACU | Total % Cover of: Multiply by: |
| | | | 1400 | OBL species 0 $x_1 = 0$ |
| 3 | | | | FACW species 0 x 2 = 0 |
| 4 | | | | EAC species 0 $x_3 = 0$ |
| 5 | | | | 150 150 $14 = 600$ |
| | 70% | = Total Co | ver | FACU species 130 $x 4 = 000$ |
| Herb Stratum (Plot size:) | | - | | UPL species $0 \times 5 = 0$ |
| 1 | | | | Column Totals: <u>150</u> (A) <u>600</u> (B) |
| 2 | | | | Prevalence Index = $B/A = 4.00$ |
| 3 | | | | Hydrophytic Vegetation Indicators: |
| 4 | | | | 1 - Rapid Test for Hydrophytic Vegetation |
| 5. | | | | 2 - Dominance Test is >50% |
| 6 | | | | $\frac{1}{2} = \frac{1}{2} = \frac{1}$ |
| 7 | | | | |
| 8. | | | | data in Remarks or on a separate sheet) |
| 9. | | | | 5 - Wetland Non-Vascular Plants ¹ |
| 10. | | | | Problematic Hydrophytic Vegetation ¹ (Explain) |
| 11 | | | | ¹ Indicators of hydric soil and wetland hydrology must |
| | | - Total Car | | be present, unless disturbed or problematic. |
| Woody Vine Stratum (Plot size: | | - 10tai 00V | | |
| 1 | | | | Hudron hudio |
| 2 | | | | Vegetation |
| ۲ | | Tatal C | | Present? Yes No |
| % Bare Ground in Herb Stratum | | = Total Cov | rer | |
| Remarks: | | | | 1 |
| Vegetation does not meet criteria | | | | |

| Profile Desc | cription: (Describe | to the dept | th needed to docu | nent the i | ndicator | or confirm | n the absend | ce of indicators.) |
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| | | | | | | | | |
| ¹ Type: C=C | oncentration, D=Dep | oletion, RM= | Reduced Matrix, CS | S=Covered | l or Coate | d Sand Gr | ains. ² L | ocation: PL=Pore Lining, M=Matrix. |
| Hydric Soil | Indicators: (Applie | cable to all | LRRs, unless othe | rwise note | ed.) | | Indica | tors for Problematic Hydric Soils ³ : |
| Histosol | l (A1) | | Sandy Redox (| S5) | | | 2 | cm Muck (A10) |
| Histic E | pipedon (A2) | | Stripped Matrix | (S6) | | | R | ed Parent Material (TF2) |
| Black H | istic (A3) | | Loamy Mucky I | Aineral (F1 |) (except | MLRA 1) | V | ery Shallow Dark Surface (TF12) |
| Hydroge | en Sulfide (A4) | - ()]] | Loamy Gleyed | Matrix (F2 |) | | 0 | ther (Explain in Remarks) |
| Deplete | a Below Dark Surface | ce (A11) | Depleted Matrix | ((F3) rfaaa (F6) | | | ³ India | store of hydrophytic vocatation and |
| THICK Da | Ark Surface (Arz) | | Redux Dark Su | Nace (F6) Surface (F | 7) | | Indica | tland hydrology must be present |
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| Restrictive | Laver (if present): | | | | | | | |
| Type: | , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , | | | | | | | |
| Depth (in | ches): | | | | | | Hvdric So | oil Present? Yes No 🖌 |
| Remarks: | | | | | | | | |
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| | ot nyano | | | | | | | |
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| IYDROLO | GY | | | | | | | |
| Wetland Hy | drology Indicators | | | | | | | |
| Primary Indi | cators (minimum of | one required | l; check all that appl | V) | | | Sec | condary Indicators (2 or more required) |
| Surface | Water (A1) | | Water-Sta | ined Leave | es (B9) (e | xcept | | Water-Stained Leaves (B9) (MLRA 1. 2. |
| High Wa | ater Table (A2) | | <u> </u> | 1.2.4A.a | nd 4B) | | | 4A and 4B) |
| Saturatio | on (A3) | | Salt Crust | (B11) | | | | Drainage Patterns (B10) |
| Water M | larks (B1) | | Aquatic In | vertehrate | s (B13) | | | Dry-Season Water Table (C2) |
| Sedime | nt Deposits (B2) | | Hydrogen | Sulfide Oc | lor(C1) | | | Saturation Visible on Aerial Imagery (C9) |
| Drift De | nosits (B3) | | | Phizosoher | res along | Living Roc | ots (C3) | Geomorphic Position (D2) |
| | at or Crust (B4) | | Presence | of Reduce | d Iron (C4 | Living Roc | | Shallow Aquitard (D3) |
| Iron Dor | nosits (R5) | | Recent Irc | n Reductio | | r) d Soile (CG | s) | FAC-Neutral Test (D5) |
| Surface | Soil Cracks (R6) | | Stunted or | Streeed | Plante (D | 1) (I RD A |) | Raised Ant Mounds (D6) (I PP A) |
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| | Vagatated Cara | o Curfore / | 101 | | | | | |
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| Sparsely | y Vegetated Concav | e Surface (E | 38) | | | | | |
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| Saturation Present? | Yes | No | Depth (inches): | | Wetland Hydrole |
|-----------------------------|----------------|------------|----------------------|-----------------|-----------------------|
| (includes capillary fringe) | | | | | _ |
| Describe Recorded Data | (stream gauge, | monitoring | well, aerial photos, | previous inspec | tions), if available: |

Aerial Photos / Previous Inspections

Remarks:

Hydrology is not present

Wetland Hydrology Present? Yes _____ No __

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WETLAND DETERMINATION DATA FORM – Western Mountains, Valleys, and Coast Region

| Project/Site: US Highway 12 | City/County: Packwood / Le | wis Sampling Date: | 2023-08-01 |
|--|--------------------------------|--|-----------------------|
| Applicant/Owner: Packwood Land Company | S | tate: Sampling Point | WTP 2 - Wetland |
| Investigator(s): Becky Rieger | Section, Township, Range: 21 | -13N-09E | |
| Landform (hillslope, terrace, etc.): | Local relief (concave, convex, | none): SI | ope (%): |
| Subregion (LRR): A 1 Lat: | Long: | Dat | um: <u>NAD83_2011</u> |
| Soil Map Unit Name: Greenwater | | NWI classification: N/A | |
| Are climatic / hydrologic conditions on the site typical for this time o | f year? Yes 🔽 No (I | f no, explain in Remarks.) | |
| Are Vegetation, Soil, or Hydrology significa | ntly disturbed? Are "Normal | Circumstances" present? Yes | ✓No |
| Are Vegetation, Soil, or Hydrology naturally | v problematic? (If needed, ex | <pre>kplain any answers in Remarks.)</pre> | |
| SUMMARY OF FINDINGS – Attach site map show | ing sampling point location | ns, transects, important f | eatures, etc. |

| Hydrophytic Vegetation Present? | Yes 🖌 | No | | | |
|---------------------------------|-------|----|---------------------|-----|----|
| Hydric Soil Present? | Yes 🔽 | No | Is the Sampled Area | | |
| Wetland Hydrology Present? | Yes 🖌 | No | within a Wetland? | Yes | No |
| Remarks: | | | | | |
| Site meets criteria | | | | | |

VEGETATION – Use scientific names of plants.

| | Absolute | Dominant Indicato | Dominance Test worksheet: |
|---------------------------------------|----------------|-------------------|--|
| Tree Stratum (Plot size:) | <u>% Cover</u> | Species? Status | Number of Dominant Species |
| 1 | | | That Are OBL, FACW, or FAC: 1 (A) |
| 2 | | | Total Number of Dominant |
| 3 | | | _ Species Across All Strata: <u>1</u> (B) |
| 4. | | | |
| | | = Total Cover | Percent of Dominant Species |
| Sapling/Shrub Stratum (Plot size:) | | | |
| 1. Carex obnupta | 100 | ✓ OBL | Prevalence index worksneet: |
| 2. | | | Total % Cover of: Multiply by: |
| 3 | | | OBL species 100 x 1 = 100 |
| ۵ ۸ | | · | FACW species 0 x 2 = 0 |
| | | | FAC species $0 \times 3 = 0$ |
| o | 100% | | FACU species 0 x 4 = 0 |
| Herb Stratum (Plot size: | 100 // | = Total Cover | UPL species $0 \times 5 = 0$ |
| 1. | | | Column Totals: 100 (A) 100 (B) |
| 2 | | | = Prevalence index = B/A = 1.00 |
| 3 | | | Hydrophytic Vegetation Indicators: |
| 4. | | | 1 - Rapid Test for Hydrophytic Vegetation |
| 5. | | | A rapid receipt in spin view of the second secon |
| 6 | | | $\frac{1}{2} = \frac{1}{2} = \frac{1}$ |
| 7 | | | |
| 8. | | | 4 - Morphological Adaptations' (Provide supporting data in Remarks or on a separate sheet) |
| 9 | | | 5 - Wetland Non-Vascular Plants ¹ |
| 10 | | | Problematic Hydrophytic Vegetation ¹ (Explain) |
| 11 | | · | ¹ Indicators of hydric soil and wetland hydrology must |
| · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · | | Tatal Osuar | be present, unless disturbed or problematic. |
| Woody Vine Stratum (Plot size: | | = Total Cover | |
| 1 | | | Hudronky tio |
| 2 | | | Vegetation |
| 2 | | Tatal Osuar | Present? Yes <u>V</u> No |
| % Bare Ground in Herb Stratum | | = rotal Cover | |
| Remarks: | | | |
| Vegetation meets criteria | | | |

SOIL

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| ¹ Type: C=Co | oncentration, D=De | pletion, RN | M=Reduced Matrix, (| CS=Covere | d or Coat | ed Sand G | rains. ² L | Location: PL=Pore Lining, M=Matrix. |
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| Histic Ep | olpedon (A2) | | Stripped Matr | IX (S6) Minoral (F | 1) (2222 | | R | ed Parent Material (TF2) |
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| Thick Da | rk Surface (A12) | | Redox Dark S | Surface (F6 |) | | ³ Indica | ators of hydrophytic vegetation and |
| Sandy M | lucky Mineral (S1) | | Depleted Dar | k Surface (| , F7) | | we | tland hydrology must be present, |
| Sandy G | leyed Matrix (S4) | | Redox Depre | ssions (F8) | | | unl | less disturbed or problematic. |
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Appendix D:

Wetland Rating Forms

RATING SUMMARY – Western Washington

 Name of wetland (or ID #):
 Wetland A
 Date of site visit:
 August 1, 2023

 Rated by
 Becky Rieger
 Trained by Ecology? X Yes _____No Date of training_6/2014

 HGM Class used for rating Depressional
 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 <u>Lewis County GIS</u>

OVERALL WETLAND CATEGORY [V] (based on functions X or special characteristics])

1. Category of wetland based on FUNCTIONS

Category I – Total score = 23 - 27

Category II – Total score = 20 - 22

_____Category III – Total score = 16 - 19

X Category IV – Total score = 9 - 15

| FUNCTION | Improving Water Quality | | Hydrologic | | Habitat | | | | | |
|--------------------------------|----------------------------|---|------------|---|---------|---|--------|---|---|------|
| Circle the appropriate ratings | | | | | | | itings | | | |
| Site Potential | Н | М | L | Н | Μ | L | Н | Μ | L | |
| Landscape Potential | Н | M | L | Н | Μ | L | Н | M | L | |
| Value | Н | M | L | н | М | L | Н | M | L | TOTA |
| Score Based on Ratings | | 5 | | | 3 | | | 5 | | 13 |

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

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2. Category based on SPECIAL CHARACTERISTICS of wetland

| CHARACTERISTIC | CATEGORY |
|------------------------------------|-------------|
| Estuarine | I II |
| Wetland of High Conservation Value | Ι |
| Bog | Ι |
| Mature Forest | Ι |
| Old Growth Forest | Ι |
| Coastal Lagoon | I II |
| Interdunal | I II III IV |
| None of the above | N/A |

Maps and figures required to answer questions correctly for Western Washington

Depressional Wetlands

| Map of: | To answer questions: | Figure # |
|--|----------------------|----------|
| Cowardin plant classes | D 1.3, H 1.1, H 1.4 | RF1 |
| Hydroperiods | D 1.4, H 1.2 | RF2 |
| Location of outlet (can be added to map of hydroperiods) | D 1.1, D 4.1 | RF2 |
| Boundary of area within 150 ft of the wetland (can be added to another figure) | D 2.2, D 5.2 | RF3 |
| Map of the contributing basin | D 4.3, D 5.3 | RF3 |
| 1 km Polygon: Area that extends 1 km from entire wetland edge - including | Н 2.1, Н 2.2, Н 2.3 | RF4 |
| polygons for accessible habitat and undisturbed habitat | | |
| Screen capture of map of 303(d) listed waters in basin (from Ecology website) | D 3.1, D 3.2 | 303D Ma |
| Screen capture of list of TMDLs for WRIA in which unit is found (from web) | D 3.3 | 303D Ma |

Riverine Wetlands

| Map of: | To answer questions: | Figure # |
|--|----------------------|----------|
| Cowardin plant classes | H 1.1, H 1.4 | |
| Hydroperiods | H 1.2 | |
| Ponded depressions | R 1.1 | |
| Boundary of area within 150 ft of the wetland (can be added to another figure) | R 2.4 | |
| Plant cover of trees, shrubs, and herbaceous plants | R 1.2, R 4.2 | |
| Width of unit vs. width of stream (can be added to another figure) | R 4.1 | |
| Map of the contributing basin | R 2.2, R 2.3, R 5.2 | |
| 1 km Polygon: Area that extends 1 km from entire wetland edge - including | H 2.1, H 2.2, H 2.3 | |
| polygons for accessible habitat and undisturbed habitat | | |
| 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 unit is found (from web) | R 3.2, R 3.3 | |

Lake Fringe Wetlands

| Map of: | To answer questions: | Figure # |
|--|----------------------------|----------|
| Cowardin plant classes | L 1.1, L 4.1, H 1.1, H 1.4 | |
| Plant cover of trees, shrubs, and herbaceous plants | L 1.2 | |
| Boundary of area within 150 ft of the wetland (can be added to another figure) | L 2.2 | |
| 1 km Polygon: Area that extends 1 km from entire wetland edge - including | Н 2.1, Н 2.2, Н 2.3 | |
| polygons for accessible habitat and undisturbed habitat | | |
| 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 unit is found (from web) | L 3.3 | |

Slope Wetlands

| Map of: | To answer questions: | Figure # |
|---|----------------------|----------|
| Cowardin plant classes | H 1.1, H 1.4 | |
| Hydroperiods | H 1.2 | |
| Plant cover of dense trees, shrubs, and herbaceous plants | S 1.3 | |
| Plant cover of dense, rigid trees, shrubs, and herbaceous plants | S 4.1 | |
| (can be added to figure above) | | |
| Boundary of 150 ft buffer (can be added to another figure) | S 2.1, S 5.1 | |
| 1 km Polygon: Area that extends 1 km from entire wetland edge - including | H 2.1, H 2.2, H 2.3 | |
| polygons for accessible habitat and undisturbed habitat | | |
| 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 unit is found (from web) | S 3.3 | |

HGM Classification of Wetlands in Western Washington

For questions 1-7, 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 1-7 apply, and go to Question 8.

1. Are the water levels in the entire unit usually controlled by tides except during floods?

NO - go to 2

YES – the wetland class is **Tidal Fringe** – go to 1.1

1.1 Is the salinity of the water during periods of annual low flow below 0.5 ppt (parts per thousand)?

NO – Saltwater Tidal Fringe (Estuarine) If your wetland can be classified as a Freshwater Tidal Fringe use the forms for **Riverine** wetlands. If it is Saltwater Tidal Fringe it is an **Estuarine** wetland and is not scored. This method **cannot** be used to score functions for estuarine wetlands.

2. The entire wetland unit is flat and precipitation is the only source (>90%) of water to it. Groundwater and surface water runoff are NOT sources of water to the unit.

NO - go to 3**YES** – The wetland class is **Flats** If your wetland can be classified as a Flats wetland, use the form for **Depressional** wetlands.

3. Does the entire wetland unit **meet all** of the following criteria? ____The vegetated part of the wetland is on the shores of a body of permanent open water (without any plants on the surface at any time of the year) at least 20 ac (8 ha) in size; ____At least 30% of the open water area is deeper than 6.6 ft (2 m).

NO – go to 4

YES – The wetland class is **Lake Fringe** (Lacustrine Fringe)

- 4. 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 5

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 ft deep).

- 5. 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 2 years.

YES - Freshwater Tidal Fringe

Wetland name or number <u>A</u>

NO - go to 6YES - The wetland class is RiverineNOTE: The Riverine unit can contain depressions that are filled with water when the river is notflooding

6. 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 7

YES – The wetland class is Depressional

7. Is the entire wetland unit located in a very flat area with no obvious depression and no overbank flooding? The unit does not pond surface water more than a few inches. The unit seems to be maintained by high groundwater in the area. The wetland may be ditched, but has no obvious natural outlet.

NO – go to 8

YES – The wetland class is Depressional

8. 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 1-7 APPLY TO DIFFERENT AREAS IN THE 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.

NOTE: Use this table only if the class that is recommended in the second column represents 10% or more of the total area of the wetland unit being rated. If the area of the HGM class listed in column 2 is less than 10% of the unit; classify the wetland using the class that represents more than 90% of the total area.

| HGM classes within the wetland unit | HGM class to |
|---------------------------------------|---------------|
| being rated | use in rating |
| Slope + Riverine | Riverine |
| Slope + Depressional | Depressional |
| Slope + Lake Fringe | Lake Fringe |
| Depressional + Riverine along stream | Depressional |
| within boundary of depression | |
| Depressional + Lake Fringe | Depressional |
| Riverine + Lake Fringe | Riverine |
| Salt Water Tidal Fringe and any other | Treat as |
| class of freshwater wetland | ESTUARINE |

If you are still unable to determine which of the above criteria apply to your wetland, or if you have **more than 2 HGM classes** within a wetland boundary, classify the wetland as Depressional for the rating.

| DEPRESSIONAL AND FLATS WETLANDS | | |
|---|---------------------------|---|
| Water Quality Functions - Indicators that the site functions to improve water quality | | |
| D 1.0. Does the site have the potential to improve water quality? | | |
| D 1.1. Characteristics of surface water outflows from the wetland: | | |
| Wetland is a depression or flat depression (QUESTION 7 on key) with no surface water leaving it (r | no outlet). | |
| | points = 3 | |
| Wetland has an intermittently flowing stream or ditch, OR highly constricted permanently flowing | g outlet. | 1 |
| | points = 2 | |
| Wetland has an unconstricted, or slightly constricted, surface outlet that is permanently flowing | points = 1 | |
| Wetland is a flat depression (QUESTION 7 on key), whose outlet is a permanently flowing ditch. | points = 1 | |
| D 1.2. The soil 2 in below the surface (or duff layer) is true clay or true organic (use NRCS definitions). Yes | s = 4 <mark>No = 0</mark> | 0 |
| D 1.3. Characteristics and distribution of persistent plants (Emergent, Scrub-shrub, and/or Forested Cow | ardin classes): | |
| Wetland has persistent, ungrazed, plants > 95% of area | points = 5 | |
| Wetland has persistent, ungrazed, plants > ½ of area | points = 3 | 3 |
| Wetland has persistent, ungrazed plants $> \frac{1}{10}$ of area | points = 1 | |
| Wetland has persistent, ungrazed plants $<^{1}/_{10}$ of area | points = 0 | |
| D 1.4. Characteristics of seasonal ponding or inundation: | | |
| This is the area that is ponded for at least 2 months. See description in manual. | | |
| Area seasonally ponded is > $\frac{1}{2}$ total area of wetland | points = 4 | 0 |
| Area seasonally ponded is > ¼ total area of wetland | points = 2 | |
| Area seasonally ponded is < ¼ total area of wetland | points = 0 | |
| Total for D 1 Add the points in the b | oxes above | 4 |

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

| D 2.0. Does the landscape have the potential to support the water quality function of the site? | |
|--|---|
| D 2.1. Does the wetland unit 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 | 1 |
| 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? | |
| SourceYes = 1 (No = 0) | Ŭ |
| Total for D 2Add the points in the boxes above | 1 |

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

| D 3.0. Is the water quality improvement provided by the site valuable to society? | | |
|---|-----------------------------------|---|
| D 3.1. Does the wetland discharge directly (i.e., within 1 mi) to a stream, river, lake, or marine water that is on the 303(d) list? Yes = 1 No = 0 | | 0 |
| D 3.2. Is the wetland in a basin or sub-basin where an aquatic resource is on the | 303(d) list? 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 (<i>answer YES if there is a TMDL for the basin in which the unit is found</i>)? Yes = 2 No = 0 | | 0 |
| Total for D 3 | Add the points in the boxes above | 1 |
| Rating of ValueIf score is: $2-4 = H$ χ $1 = M$ $0 = L$ Record the rating on the first page | | |

| DEL RESSIONAE AND LEATS WEITEANDS | DEPRESSIONAL AND FLATS WETLANDS | | |
|--|--|-------------------------------------|--|
| Hydrologic Functions - Indicators that the site functions to reduce flooding and stream degradation | | | |
| D 4.0. Does the site have the potential to reduce flooding and erosion? | | | |
| D 4.1. <u>Characteristics of surface water outflows from the wetland</u> : Wetland is a depression or flat depression with no surface water leaving it (no outlet) Wetland has an intermittently flowing stream or ditch, OR highly constricted permanently flow Wetland is a flat depression (QUESTION 7 on key), whose outlet is a permanently flowing ditch Wetland has an unconstricted, or slightly constricted, surface outlet that is permanently flowing | points = 4 wing outletpoints = 2 points = 1 ng points = 0 | 0 | |
| D 4.2. Depth of storage during wet periods: Estimate the height of ponding above the bottom of the of with no outlet, measure from the surface of permanent water or if dry, the deepest part. Marks of ponding are 3 ft or more above the surface or bottom of outlet Marks of ponding between 2 ft to < 3 ft from surface or bottom of outlet Marks are at least 0.5 ft to < 2 ft from surface or bottom of outlet The wetland is a "headwater" wetland Wetland is flat but has small depressions on the surface that trap water Marks of ponding less than 0.5 ft (6 in) | points = 7 points = 7 points = 5 points = 3 points = 3 points = 1 points = 0 | 0 | |
| D 4.3. <u>Contribution of the wetland to storage in the watershed</u> : <i>Estimate the ratio of the area of upst contributing surface water to the wetland to the area of the wetland unit itself.</i> The area of the basin is less than 10 times the area of the unit The area of the basin is 10 to 100 times the area of the unit The area of the basin is more than 100 times the area of the unit Entire wetland is in the Flats class | ream basin points = 5 <mark>points = 3</mark> points = 0 points = 5 | 3 | |
| Total for D 4 Add the points in the points of t | ne boxes above | 3 | |
| Rating of Site Potential If score is:12-16 = H $6-11 = M$ X $0-5 = L$ Rec | ord the rating on the | first page | |
| D 5.0. Does the landscape have the potential to support hydrologic functions of the site? | | | |
| D 5.1. Does the wetland receive stormwater discharges? | $V_{OC} = 1$ $N_O = 0$ | Δ | |
| | 163 - 1 <mark>110 - 0</mark> | 0 | |
| D 5.2. Is >10% of the area within 150 ft of the wetland in land uses that generate excess runoff? | Yes = 1 No = 0 | 0 | |
| D 5.2. Is >10% of the area within 150 ft of the wetland in land uses that generate excess runoff? D 5.3. Is more than 25% of the contributing basin of the wetland covered with intensive human land >1 residence/ac, urban, commercial, agriculture, etc.)? | Yes = 1 (No = 0) uses (residential at Yes = 1 (No = 0) | 0 0 0 | |
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| These questions apply to wetlands of all HGM classes. | | |
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| HABITAT FUNCTIONS - Indicators that site functions to provide important habitat | | |
| H 1.0. Does the site have the potential to provide habitat? | | |
| H 1.1. Structure of plant community: Indicators are Cowardin classes and strata within the Forested class. Check the Cowardin plant classes in the wetland. Up to 10 patches may be combined for each class to meet the threshold of ¼ ac or more than 10% of the unit if it is smaller than 2.5 ac. Add the number of structures checked. Aquatic bed 4 structures or more: points = 4 Aquatic bed 3 structures: points = 2 Accurate and the shore shrubs have > 30% cover) 2 structures: points = 1 Forested (areas where trees have > 30% cover) 1 structure: points = 0 If the unit has a Forested class, check if: The Forested class has 3 out of 5 strata (canopy, sub-canopy, shrubs, herbaceous, moss/ground-cover) that each cover 20% within the Forested polygon 1 structure | 0 | |
| H 1.2. Hydroperiods | | |
| Check the types of water regimes (hydroperiods) present within the wetland. The water regime has to cover more than 10% of the wetland or ¼ ac to count (see text for descriptions of hydroperiods). | 1 | |
| H 1.3. Richness of plant species Count the number of plant species in the wetland that cover at least 10 ft ² . Different patches of the same species can be combined to meet the size threshold and you do not have to name the species. Do not include Eurasian milfoil, reed canarygrass, purple loosestrife, Canadian thistle If you counted: > 19 species points = 2 5 - 19 species points = 1 < 5 species | 1 | |
| H 1.4. Interspersion of habitats Decide from the diagrams below whether interspersion among Cowardin plants classes (described in H 1.1), or the classes and unvegetated areas (can include open water or mudflats) is high, moderate, low, or none. <i>If you</i> <i>have four or more plant classes or three classes and open water, the rating is always high.</i> None = 0 points All three diagrams in this row are HIGH = 3points | 1 | |

| H 1.5. Special habitat features: | |
|--|---|
| Check the habitat features that are present in the wetland. The number of checks is the number of points. | |
| Large, downed, woody debris within the wetland (> 4 in diameter and 6 ft long). | |
| Standing snags (dbh > 4 in) within the wetland | |
| Undercut banks are present for at least 6.6 ft (2 m) and/or overhanging plants extends at least 3.3 ft (1 m) over a stream (or ditch) in, or contiguous with the wetland, for at least 33 ft (10 m) | |
| Stable steep banks of fine material that might be used by beaver or muskrat for denning (> 30 degree slope) OR signs of recent beaver activity are present (cut shrubs or trees that have not yet weathered where wood is exposed) | 1 |
| At least ¼ ac of thin-stemmed persistent plants or woody branches are present in areas that are permanently or seasonally inundated <i>(structures for egg-laying by amphibians)</i> | |
| X Invasive plants cover less than 25% of the wetland area in every stratum of plants (see H 1.1 for list of strata) | |
| Total for H 1Add the points in the boxes above | 4 |

Rating of Site Potential If score is: ____15-18 = H ____7-14 = M X___0-6 = L

Record the rating on the first page

| H 2.0. Does the landscape have the potential to support the habitat functions of the site? | | |
|---|----------------|---|
| H 2.1. Accessible habitat (include only habitat that directly abuts wetland unit). | | |
| Calculate: % undisturbed habitat <u>40</u> + [(% moderate and low intensity land uses)/2] <u>10</u> | =50_% | |
| If total accessible habitat is: | | |
| > ¹ / ₃ (33.3%) of 1 km Polygon | points = 3 | |
| 20-33% of 1 km Polygon | points = 2 | 2 |
| 10-19% of 1 km Polygon | points = 1 | |
| < 10% of 1 km Polygon | points = 0 | |
| H 2.2. Undisturbed habitat in 1 km Polygon around the wetland. | | |
| Calculate: % undisturbed habitat <u>40</u> + [(% moderate and low intensity land uses)/2] <u>5</u> | =6% | |
| Undisturbed habitat > 50% of Polygon | points = 3 | |
| Undisturbed habitat 10-50% and in 1-3 patches | poins = 2 | 1 |
| Undisturbed habitat 10-50% and > 3 patches | points = 1 | |
| Undisturbed habitat < 10% of 1 km Polygon | points = 0 | |
| H 2.3. Land use intensity in 1 km Polygon: If | | |
| > 50% of 1 km Polygon is high intensity land use | ooints = (- 2) | 0 |
| ≤ 50% of 1 km Polygon is high intensity | points = 0 | |
| Total for H 2 Add the points in the l | boxes above | 3 |
| | | |

Rating of Landscape Potential If score is: _____4-6 = H \times ____1-3 = M ____<1 = L

Record the rating on the first page

| H 3.0. Is the habitat provided by the site valuable to society? | | |
|--|------------------------|----------------|
| H 3.1. Does the site provide habitat for species valued in laws, regulations, or policies? Choose on | ly the highest score | |
| that applies to the wetland being rated. | | |
| Site meets ANY of the following criteria: | points = 2 | |
| It has 3 or more priority habitats within 100 m (see next page) | | |
| — It provides habitat for Threatened or Endangered species (any plant or animal on the s | tate or federal lists) | |
| It is mapped as a location for an individual WDFW priority species | | |
| It is a Wetland of High Conservation Value as determined by the Department of Natura | al Resources | 1 |
| — It has been categorized as an important habitat site in a local or regional comprehensive plan, in a | | I |
| Shoreline Master Plan, or in a watershed plan | | |
| Site has 1 or 2 priority habitats (listed on next page) within 100 m | points = 1 | |
| Site does not meet any of the criteria above | points = 0 | |
| Rating of Value If score is: $2 = H \times 1 = M = 0 = L$ | Record the rating on | the first page |

Rating of Value If score is: $2 = H \times 1 = M = 0 = L$

WDFW Priority Habitats

<u>Priority habitats listed by WDFW</u> (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. <u>http://wdfw.wa.gov/publications/00165/wdfw00165.pdf</u> or access the list from here: <u>http://wdfw.wa.gov/conservation/phs/list/</u>)

Count how many of the following priority habitats are within 330 ft (100 m) of the wetland unit: **NOTE:** This question is independent of the land use between the wetland unit 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*).
- Herbaceous Balds: Variable size patches of grass and forbs on shallow soils over bedrock.
- Old-growth/Mature forests: <u>Old-growth west of Cascade crest</u> Stands of at least 2 tree species, forming a multi-layered canopy with occasional small openings; with at least 8 trees/ac (20 trees/ha) > 32 in (81 cm) dbh or > 200 years of age. <u>Mature forests</u> 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 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.
- Westside Prairies: Herbaceous, non-forested plant communities that can either take the form of a dry prairie or a wet prairie (*full descriptions in WDFW PHS report p. 161 see web link above*).
- **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.
- Nearshore: Relatively undisturbed nearshore habitats. These include Coastal Nearshore, Open Coast Nearshore, and
 Puget Sound Nearshore. (*full descriptions of habitats and the definition of relatively undisturbed are in WDFW report –
 see web link on previous page*).
- **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.
- X 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 > 20 in (51 cm) in western 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.

Note: All vegetated wetlands are by definition a priority habitat but are not included in this list because they are addressed elsewhere.

CATEGORIZATION BASED ON SPECIAL CHARACTERISTICS

| Wetland Type | Category |
|--|----------|
| Check off any criteria that apply to the wetland. Circle the category when the appropriate criteria are met | |
| SC 1.0. Estuarine wetlands | |
| Does the wetland meet the following criteria for Estuarine wetlands? | |
| — The dominant water regime is tidal, | |
| — Vegetated, and | |
| — With a salinity greater than 0.5 ppt Yes –Go to SC 1.1 No= Not an estuarine wetland | |
| SC 1.1. Is the wetland within a National Wildlife Refuge, National Park, National Estuary Reserve, Natural Area | |
| Preserve, State Park or Educational, Environmental, or Scientific Reserve designated under WAC 332-30-151? | Cat I |
| Yes = Category I No - Go to SC 1.2 | |
| SC 1.2. Is the wetland unit at least 1 ac in size and meets at least two of the following three conditions? | |
| — The wetland is relatively undisturbed (has no diking, ditching, filling, cultivation, grazing, and has less | Cat |
| than 10% cover of non-native plant species. (If non-native species are Spartina, see page 25) | Cat. I |
| — At least ¾ of the landward edge of the wetland has a 100 ft buffer of shrub, forest, or un-grazed or un- | |
| mowed grassland. | Cat. II |
| — The wetland has at least two of the following features: tidal channels, depressions with open water, or | |
| | |
| SC 2.0. Wetlands of High Conservation Value (WHCV) | |
| SC 2.1. Has the WA Department of Natural Resources updated their website to include the list of Wetlands of High | Cat |
| Conservation Value? Yes – Go to SC 2.2 No– Go to SC 2.3 | Cal. I |
| SC 2.2. Is the wetland listed on the WDNR database as a Wetland of High Conservation Value? | |
| Yes = Category I No = Not a WHCV | |
| SC 2.3. Is the wetland in a Section/Township/Range that contains a Natural Heritage wetland? | |
| $\frac{\text{Intp://www1.ull.wa.gov/inp/reldesk/datasearch/winp/wetialds.pdf}}{\text{Ves} - \text{Contact WNHP/WDNR and go to SC 2.4}$ | |
| SC 2.4. Has WDNR identified the wetland within the S/T/R as a Wetland of High Conservation Value and listed it on | |
| their website? Yes = Category I No = Not a WHCV | |
| SC 3.0. Bogs | |
| Does the wetland (or any part of the unit) meet both the criteria for soils and vegetation in bogs? Use the key | |
| below. If you answer YES you will still need to rate the wetland based on its functions. | |
| SC 3.1. Does an area within the wetland unit have organic soil horizons, either peats or mucks, that compose 16 in or | |
| more of the first 32 in of the soil profile? Yes – Go to SC 3.3 No– Go to SC 3.2 | |
| SC 3.2. Does an area within the wetland unit 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 SC 3.3 (No) = Is not a bog | |
| SC 3.3. Does an area with peats or mucks have more than 70% cover of mosses at ground level, AND at least a 30% | |
| NOTE: If you are uncertain about the extent of mosses in the understory, you may substitute that criterion by | |
| measuring the nH of the water that seens into a hole dug at least 16 in deep. If the nH is less than 5.0 and the | |
| plant species in Table 4 are present, the wetland is a bog. | Cat. I |
| SC 3.4. Is an area with peats or mucks forested (> 30% cover) with Sitka spruce, 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 4 provide more than 30% of the cover under the canopy? | |
| Yes = Is a Category I bog No = Is not a bog | |

| SC 4.0. Forested Wetlands | |
|---|----------|
| Does the wetland have at least <u>1 contiguous acre</u> of forest that meets one of these criteria for the WA | |
| Department of Fish and Wildlife's forests as priority habitats? If you answer YES you will still need to rate | |
| the wetland based on its functions. | |
| — Old-growth forests (west of Cascade crest): Stands of at least two tree species, forming a multi-layered concerns with as a species of the species of t | |
| age OR have a diameter at breast beight (dbb) of 32 in (81 cm) or more | |
| — Mature forests (west of the Cascade Crest): Stands where the largest trees are 80- 200 years old OR the | |
| species that make up the canopy have an average diameter (dbh) exceeding 21 in (53 cm). | |
| Yes = Category I No = Not a forested wetland for this section | Cat. I |
| SC 5.0. Wetlands in Coastal Lagoons | |
| Does the wetland meet all of the following criteria of a wetland in a coastal lagoon? | |
| — The wetland lies in a depression adjacent to marine waters that is wholly or partially separated from | |
| marine waters by sandbanks, gravel banks, shingle, or, less frequently, rocks | |
| — The lagoon in which the wetland is located contains ponded water that is saline or brackish (> 0.5 ppt) during most of the year in at least a portion of the lagoon (needs to be massured near the bettern) | Cat. I |
| Ves = Go to SC 5.1 No = Not a wetland in a coastal largoon | Cutt |
| SC 5.1. Does the wetland meet all of the following three conditions? | |
| — The wetland is relatively undisturbed (has no diking, ditching, filling, cultivation, grazing), and has less | |
| than 20% cover of aggressive, opportunistic plant species (see list of species on p. 100). | Cat. II |
| - At least ¾ of the landward edge of the wetland has a 100 ft buffer of shrub, forest, or un-grazed or un- | |
| mowed grassland. | |
| — The wetland is larger than 1_{10} ac (4350 ft ²) | |
| Yes = Category I No = Category I | |
| SC 6.0. Interdunal Wetlands | |
| Is the wetland west of the 1889 line (also called the Western Boundary of Upland Ownership or WBUO)? If | |
| you answer yes you will still need to rate the wetland based on its habitat functions. | |
| In practical terms that means the following geographic areas. | |
| Gravland-Westport: Lands west of SR 105 | Cat I |
| Ocean Shores-Copalis: Lands west of SR 115 and SR 109 | |
| Yes – Go to SC 6.1 (No) = not an interdunal wetland for rating | |
| | |
| SC 6.1. Is the wetland 1 ac or larger and scores an 8 or 9 for the habitat functions on the form (rates H,H,H or H,H,M | Cat. II |
| for the three aspects of function)? Yes = Category I No – Go to SC 6.2 | |
| SC 6.2. Is the wetland 1 ac or larger, or is it in a mosaic of wetlands that is 1 ac or larger? | Cat. III |
| SC 6.3. Is the unit between 0.1 and 1 ac, or is it in a mosaic of wetlands that is between 0.1 and 1 ac? | |
| Yes = Category III No = Category IV | |
| | Cat. IV |
| Category of wetland based on Special Characteristics | N/A |
| If you answered No for all types, enter "Not Applicable" on Summary Form | 1.11/7.1 |

RF 1: Cowardin Plant Classes



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Legend: Red - Wetland Boundary All of wetland is shrubs

0 205 410 820 ft NAD 1983 StatePlane Washington South FIPS 4602 Feet





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RF 2: Hydroperiods



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RF 3: Contributing Basin



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Legend: Red - Wetland Boundary Blue - Contributing Basin

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RF 4: 1km



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Legend: Red - Wetland Boundary Green Shade - Undisturbed Unshade - Mod Intensity

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