

WETLAND DETERMINATION DATA FORM - Alaska Region

Project/Site: Susitna-Watana Hydroelectric Project Borough/City: Matanuska-Susitna Borough Sampling Date: 02-Aug-12
 Applicant/Owner: Alaska Energy Authority Sampling Point: SW12_T53_05
 Investigator(s): CTS, EKJ Landform (hillside, terrace, hummocks etc.): Ridgetop
 Local relief (concave, convex, none): convex Slope: 1.7 % / 1.0 ° Elevation: 743
 Subregion: Southcentral Alaska Lat.: 62.8085599085 Long.: -149.061679969 Datum: WGS84
 Soil Map Unit Name: _____ NWI classification: Upland

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 <input checked="" type="radio"/> No <input type="radio"/> Hydric Soil Present? Yes <input type="radio"/> No <input checked="" type="radio"/> Wetland Hydrology Present? Yes <input type="radio"/> No <input checked="" type="radio"/>	Is the Sampled Area within a Wetland? Yes <input type="radio"/> No <input checked="" type="radio"/>
Remarks: <u>Slope, light tone photosig on ridge tops mostly from lichen, a few lone birch trees also</u>	

VEGETATION -Use scientific names of plants. List all species in the plot.

Tree Stratum	Absolute % Cover	Dominant Species?	Indicator Status	Dominance Test worksheet:
1. <u>Betula neoalaskana</u>	8	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	FACU	Number of Dominant Species That are OBL, FACW, or FAC: <u>2</u> (A)
2. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	Total Number of Dominant Species Across All Strata: <u>4</u> (B)
3. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	Percent of dominant Species That Are OBL, FACW, or FAC: <u>50.0%</u> (A/B)
4. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	
5. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	
Total Cover: <u>8</u>				
Sapling/Shrub Stratum	50% of Total Cover: <u>4</u>	20% of Total Cover: <u>1.6</u>		Prevalence Index worksheet:
1. <u>Betula nana</u>	40	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	FAC	Total % Cover of: Multiply by:
2. <u>Empetrum nigrum</u>	20	<input type="checkbox"/>	FAC	OBL Species <u>0</u> x 1 = <u>0</u>
3. <u>Ledum decumbens</u>	40	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	FACW	FACW Species <u>45.1</u> x 2 = <u>90.2</u>
4. <u>Betula glandulosa</u>	20	<input type="checkbox"/>	FAC	FAC Species <u>96</u> x 3 = <u>288</u>
5. <u>Salix glauca</u>	3	<input type="checkbox"/>	FAC	FACU Species <u>25.1</u> x 4 = <u>100.4</u>
6. <u>Salix pulchra</u>	5	<input type="checkbox"/>	FACW	UPL Species <u>0</u> x 5 = <u>0</u>
7. <u>Vaccinium uliginosum</u>	10	<input type="checkbox"/>	FAC	Column Totals: <u>166.2</u> (A) <u>478.6</u> (B)
8. <u>Vaccinium vitis-idaea</u>	3	<input type="checkbox"/>	FAC	Prevalence Index = B/A = <u>2.880</u>
9. <u>Arctostaphylos alpina</u>	8	<input type="checkbox"/>	FACU	
10. <u>Spiraea stevenii</u>	0.1	<input type="checkbox"/>	FACU	
Total Cover: <u>149</u>				Hydrophytic Vegetation Indicators:
Herb Stratum	50% of Total Cover: <u>74.55</u>	20% of Total Cover: <u>29.82</u>		<input type="checkbox"/> Dominance Test is > 50%
1. <u>Anthoxanthum monticola ssp. alpinum</u>	1	<input type="checkbox"/>	FACU	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Prevalence Index is ≤ 3.0
2. <u>Rubus chamaemorus</u>	0.1	<input type="checkbox"/>	FACW	<input type="checkbox"/> Morphological Adaptations ¹ (Provide supporting data in Remarks or on a separate sheet)
3. <u>Cornus canadensis</u>	8	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	FACU	<input type="checkbox"/> Problematic Hydrophytic Vegetation ¹ (Explain)
4. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	¹ Indicators of hydric soil and wetland hydrology must be present, unless disturbed or problematic.
5. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	Plot size (radius, or length x width) <u>10m</u>
6. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	% Cover of Wetland Bryophytes (Where applicable) <u>10</u>
7. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	% Bare Ground <u>2</u>
8. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	Total Cover of Bryophytes <u>10</u>
9. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	
10. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	
Total Cover: <u>9.1</u>				Hydrophytic Vegetation Present? Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No <input type="radio"/>
50% of Total Cover: <u>4.55</u>	20% of Total Cover: <u>1.82</u>			

Remarks: Lots of light colored lichen cover in openings on soil surface

SOIL

Sampling Point: **SW12_T53_05**

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

Depth (inches)	Matrix			Redox Features				Texture	Remarks
	Color (moist)	%		Color (moist)	%	Type ¹	Loc ²		
0-2	7.5YR	3/1	80					Fine Sandy Loam	20% roots
2-4	10YR	4/1	100					Fine Sandy Loam	
4-5	10YR	3/4	100					Fine Sandy Loam	
5-7	2.5R	2.5/1	100					Sand	metamorphic bedrock below

¹Type: C=Concentration. D=Depletion. RM=Reduced Matrix ² Location: PL=Pore Lining. RC=Root Channel. M=Matrix

<p>Hydric Soil Indicators:</p> <input type="checkbox"/> Histosol or Histel (A1) <input type="checkbox"/> Histic Epipedon (A2) <input type="checkbox"/> Hydrogen Sulfide (A4) <input type="checkbox"/> Thick Dark Surface (A12) <input type="checkbox"/> Alaska Gleyed (A13) <input type="checkbox"/> Alaska Redox (A14) <input type="checkbox"/> Alaska Gleyed Pores (A15)	<p>Indicators for Problematic Hydric Soils:³</p> <input type="checkbox"/> Alaska Color Change (TA4) ⁴ <input type="checkbox"/> Alaska Alpine swales (TA5) <input type="checkbox"/> Alaska Redox With 2.5Y Hue <input type="checkbox"/> Alaska Gleyed Without Hue 5Y or Redder Underlying Layer <input type="checkbox"/> Other (Explain in Remarks)
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³ One indicator of hydrophytic vegetation, one primary indicator of wetland hydrology, and an appropriate landscape position must be present
⁴ Give details of color change in Remarks

<p>Restrictive Layer (if present): Type: Depth (inches):</p>	<p>Hydric Soil Present? Yes <input type="radio"/> No <input checked="" type="radio"/></p>
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Remarks:
no hydric soil indicators

HYDROLOGY

<p>Wetland Hydrology Indicators:</p> <p><u>Primary Indicators (any one is sufficient)</u></p> <input type="checkbox"/> Surface Water (A1) <input type="checkbox"/> High Water Table (A2) <input type="checkbox"/> Saturation (A3) <input type="checkbox"/> Water Marks (B1) <input type="checkbox"/> Sediment Deposits (B2) <input type="checkbox"/> Drift Deposits (B3) <input type="checkbox"/> Algal Mat or Crust (B4) <input type="checkbox"/> Iron Deposits (B5) <input type="checkbox"/> Surface Soil Cracks (B6)	<p><u>Secondary Indicators (two or more are required)</u></p> <input type="checkbox"/> Water Stained Leaves (B9) <input type="checkbox"/> Drainage Patterns (B10) <input type="checkbox"/> Oxidized Rhizospheres along Living Roots (C3) <input type="checkbox"/> Presence of Reduced Iron (C4) <input type="checkbox"/> Salt Deposits (C5) <input type="checkbox"/> Stunted or Stressed Plants (D1) <input type="checkbox"/> Geomorphic Position (D2) <input type="checkbox"/> Shallow Aquitard (D3) <input type="checkbox"/> Microtopographic Relief (D4) <input type="checkbox"/> FAC-neutral Test (D5)
<p>Field Observations:</p> <p>Surface Water Present? Yes <input type="radio"/> No <input checked="" type="radio"/> Depth (inches):</p> <p>Water Table Present? Yes <input type="radio"/> No <input checked="" type="radio"/> Depth (inches):</p> <p>Saturation Present? (includes capillary fringe) Yes <input type="radio"/> No <input checked="" type="radio"/> Depth (inches):</p>	<p>Wetland Hydrology Present? Yes <input type="radio"/> No <input checked="" type="radio"/></p>

Describe Recorded Data (stream gauge, monitor well, aerial photos, previous inspection) if available:

Remarks:
no wetland hydrology indicators