WETLAND DETERMINATION DATA FORM - Alaska Region

Project/Site: Susitna-Watana Hydroelectric Project | Borough/City: Matanuska-Susitna Borough | Sampling Date: 07-Aug-13

Applicant/Owner: Alaska Energy Authority | Sampling Point: **SW13_T196_01**

Investigator(s): SLI, EAC | Landform (hillside, terrace, hummocks etc.): Toeslope

Local relief (concave, convex, none): flat | Slope: % / 2.5 ° | Elevation: 784

Subregion : Interior Alaska Mountains | Lat.: 63.3087018733 | Long.: -148.203031421 | Datum: NAD83

Soil Map Unit Name: | **NWI classification: PEM1B**

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 ○

Hydric Soil Present? Yes ◉ No ○

Wetland Hydrology Present? Yes ◉ No ○

Is the Sampled Area within a Wetland? **Yes ◉ No ○**

Remarks: relatively small linear feature off road. dasfru and caraqu dominate slightly more wet portion of wetland to W of this point.

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

Tree Stratum	Absolute % Cover	Dominant Species?	Indicator Status
1.	0	☐	
2.	0	☐	
3.	0	☐	
4.	0	☐	
5.	0	☐	
Total Cover:	0		

Sapling/Shrub Stratum — 50% of Total Cover: 0 — 20% of Total Cover: 0

1. Picea glauca	1	☐	FACU
2. Dasiphora fruticosa	15	☑	FAC
3. Arctous ruber	3	☐	FAC
4. Andromeda polifolia (IAM)	0.1	☐	OBL
5. Betula glandulosa	2	☐	FAC
6.	0	☐	
7.	0	☐	
8.	0	☐	
9.	0	☐	
10.	0	☐	
Total Cover:	21.1		

Herb Stratum — 50% of Total Cover: 10.55 — 20% of Total Cover: 4.22

1. Rumex arcticus	5	☐	FAC
2. Juncus biglumis	2	☐	OBL
3. Swertia perennis	1	☐	FACW
4. Tofieldia pusilla	1	☐	FAC
5. Trichophorum caespitosum	40	☑	OBL
6. Spiranthes romanzoffiana	0.1	☐	OBL
7. Thalictrum alpinum	2	☐	FAC
8. Parnassia palustris	0.1	☐	FACW
9. Saussurea angustifolia	0.1	☐	FAC
10. Carex livida	2	☐	OBL
Total Cover:	53.3		

50% of Total Cover: 26.65 — 20% of Total Cover: 10.66

Dominance Test worksheet:

Number of Dominant Species That are OBL, FACW, or FAC: 2 (A)

Total Number of Dominant Species Across All Strata: 2 (B)

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

Prevalence Index worksheet:

Total % Cover of:		Multiply by:	
OBL Species	44.2	x 1 =	44.2
FACW Species	1.1	x 2 =	2.200
FAC Species	28.1	x 3 =	84.30
FACU Species	1	x 4 =	4
UPL Species	0	x 5 =	0
Column Totals:	74.4	(A)	134.7 (B)

Prevalence Index = B/A = 1.810

Hydrophytic Vegetation Indicators:

☑ Dominance Test is > 50%

☑ Prevalence Index is ≤3.0

☐ 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.

Plot size (radius, or length x width) 2x5m

% Cover of Wetland Bryophytes (Where applicable)

% Bare Ground 10

Total Cover of Bryophytes 50

Hydrophytic Vegetation Present? **Yes ◉ No ○**

Remarks: 25% lichen cover. collected carex (scirpoides looking) 7%. trace eriang, caraqu, equarv, triglochin palustris, senecio multiradiata. 1% dodecatheon

SOIL

Sampling Point: SW13_T196_01

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

Depth (inches)	Matrix Color (moist)		%	Redox Features Color (moist)	%	Type[1]	Loc[2]	Texture	Remarks
0-10	5YR	3/2	100					Sapric Organics	
10-19	10YR	3/1	100					Coarse Sand	25% subrounded cobbles 10% subrounded

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

Hydric Soil Indicators:

- ☐ Histosol or Histel (A1)
- ☑ Histic Epipedon (A2)
- ☐ Hydrogen Sulfide (A4)
- ☐ Thick Dark Surface (A12)
- ☐ Alaska Gleyed (A13)
- ☐ Alaska Redox (A14)
- ☐ Alaska Gleyed Pores (A15)

Indicators for Problematic Hydric Soils:[3]

- ☐ Alaska Color Change (TA4)[4]
- ☐ Alaska Alpine swales (TA5)
- ☐ Alaska Redox With 2.5Y Hue
- ☐ Alaska Gleyed Without Hue 5Y or Redder Underlying Layer
- ☐ Other (Explain in Remarks)

[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

Restrictive Layer (if present):
Type:
Depth (inches):

Hydric Soil Present? Yes ◉ No ○

Remarks:

HYDROLOGY

Wetland Hydrology Indicators:

Primary Indicators (any one is sufficient)

- ☐ 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)
- ☐ Surface Soil Cracks (B6)
- ☐ Inundation Visible on Aerial Imagery (B7)
- ☐ Sparsely Vegetated Concave Surface (B8)
- ☐ Marl Deposits (B15)
- ☐ Hydrogen Sulfide Odor (C1)
- ☑ Dry-Season Water Table (C2)
- ☐ Other (Explain in Remarks)

Secondary Indicators (two or more are required)

- ☐ Water Stained Leaves (B9)
- ☐ Drainage Patterns (B10)
- ☐ Oxidized Rhizospheres along Living Roots (C3)
- ☐ Presence of Reduced Iron (C4)
- ☐ Salt Deposits (C5)
- ☐ 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): 17
Saturation Present? (includes capillary fringe)	Yes ◉	No ○	Depth (inches): 13

Wetland Hydrology Present? Yes ◉ No ○

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

Remarks: