

**WETLAND INVESTIGATION**

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## EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Anderson Engineering of Minnesota, LLC was retained to provide professional wetland services using the 1987 United States Army Corps of Engineers Wetland Delineation Manual (Technical Report Y-87-1; January 1987) and all supplemental guidance documents to identify areas meeting wetland criteria at Hennepin County parcel 1011723130010 located in Orono, Minnesota. This project area is in Section 10, Township 117 North, Range 23 West.

Delineated aquatic resources or, portions thereof, were identified and delineated within the project area and summarized in Table 1 and depicted in Appendix A, Figure 5.

*Table 1. Summary of delineated aquatic resources, corresponding sizes, and wetland type classifications.*

WETLAND	APPROXIMATE SIZE (ac) within project area	WETLAND TYPE CLASSIFICATION			MnRAM Classification
		CIRCULAR 39	COWARDIN	EGGERS & REED	
1	0.17	Type 3/5	PUBG/EM1C	Open Water/Shallow Marsh	Manage 2

## **BACKGROUND**

As requested by Gary Bischel, Anderson Engineering of Minnesota, LLC completed a wetland investigation at Hennepin County parcel 1011723130010 located in Orono, Minnesota (Appendix A, Figure 1). The parcel is in Section 10, Township 117 North, Range 23 West.

The wetland delineation was completed in accordance with the 1987 United States Army Corps of Engineers Wetland Delineation Manual and the published regional supplement to the Army Corps Wetland Delineation Manual, Midwest Regional Supplement.

The purpose of this study was to identify areas meeting the technical criteria for wetlands, delineate the jurisdictional extent of the wetland basins, and classify the wetland habitats in the project area.

Fieldwork for this site investigation was completed by Alex Yellick and Wyatt Benton on July 19, 2021. The weather was sunny and 85 degrees Fahrenheit.

## **METHODOLOGY**

U.S. Geologic Service 7.5" Topographic Quadrangle maps, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service National Wetland Inventory (NWI) maps, Minnesota Department of Natural Resources Public Water Inventory (PWI) maps, U.S. Department of Agriculture Natural Resources Conservation Service Soil Survey, and available aerial photographs were consulted to initially locate potential wetland habitats.

Routine on-site Determination Method was used during this investigation. In this method, the following procedures were used:

1. The vegetative community was sampled in all present strata to determine whether it met hydrophytic vegetation criteria based on the indicators identified in the Midwest Regional Supplement.
2. Soil pits were dug using a Dutch auger to depths of sixteen to thirty-six inches. The soil profile was noted in addition to any hydric soil characteristics.
3. Signs of wetland hydrology were noted and compared to field criteria such as depth to shallow water table and depth of soil saturation found in the soil pits.

Data from sample points were recorded on Army Corps of Engineers Midwest Region Wetland Determination Data Forms (Appendix B). At least one sample point transect crosses the delineated wetland edge. This transect consists of an upland sample point and a wetland sample point. Other sample points may be in areas which have one or more other wetland criteria present; where questionable conditions exist; or to verify the absence of wetland criteria. Photographs of each resource is included in the resource review summary pages.

Sample points were marked in the field with orange flags. The identified aquatic resource was marked with sequentially numbered pink flags. All sample points and the delineated aquatic resource extent were located using a Trimble Geo XH sub-meter GPS unit.

Delineated resources were evaluated using Board of Soil and Water Resource's Minnesota Routine Assessment Method version 3.2 (MnRAM). Information from desktop and field assessment was evaluated in the system and a management classification ranging from exceptional quality to low quality is output as Preserve, Manage 1, Manage 2, and Manage 3. Resulting classifications are typically utilized in development planning.

## RESOURCE REVIEW

The below described data were reviewed as part of the aquatic resource field delineation. A summary of each resource contained within the project area follows.

### NATIONAL WETLANDS INVENTORY

The National Wetlands Inventory identifies one PABG wetland in the project area (Appendix A, Figure 2).

### USDA – NATURAL RESOURCES CONSERVATION SERVICE SOIL SURVEY

Soil survey data for Hennepin County was obtained and reviewed prior to the delineation. Table 2 provides a list of the mapped soils in the project area. Figure 3 in Appendix A depicts USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service mapped soils within the project categorized by total percentage of hydric components.

Table 2. Summary of mapped soil units in the project area.

MAP UNIT SYMBOL	MAP UNIT NAME	HYDRIC RATING	DRAINAGE CLASSIFICATION	PERCENT COVER
L16A	Muskego, Blue Earth, and Houghton soils, ponded, 0 to 1 percent slopes	Hydric Soil Unit	Very poorly drained	55%
U3B	Udorthents (cut and fill land), 0 to 6 percent slopes	Not Rated	Well drained	42%
W	Water	Not Rated	Not Classified	3%

Hydric soils are defined in the *Field Indicators of Hydric Soils in the United States: Guide for Identifying and Delineating Hydric Soils, version 8.2, 2018*; The *1987 United States Army Corps of Engineers Wetlands Delineation Manual*; and The *Regional Supplement to the Corps of Engineers Wetland Delineation Manual: Midwest Region (Version 2.0)*.

### MINNESOTA DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES PUBLIC WATER INVENTORY

The Minnesota Department of Natural Resources Public Water Inventory for Hennepin County identifies public water 27086500 in the project extent (Appendix A, Figure 4).

### 30-DAY ROLLING PRECIPITATION DATA

A review of the 30-day rolling precipitation data collected from the University of Minnesota Climatology Working Group (Appendix C) indicates that precipitation totals for the weeks prior to the site visit were within the range of average in the general project area. The overall hydrologic conditions were suitable for completing an accurate wetland determination and boundary delineation.



# RESOURCE 1

FIELD DELINEATED 7/19/2021

## FIELD INVESTIGATION CONCLUSION<sup>1</sup>



Viewing Southwest | Gradual Transition to Wetland

Wetland	RESOURCE TYPE
0.17-Acre	TOTAL AREA WITHIN ECB
>5-Acre(s)	TOTAL EST. AREA
Open Water/Shallow Marsh	EGGERS & REED
Type 3/5	CIRCULAR 39
PUBG/EM1C	COWARDIN
Manage 2	MnRAM <sup>2</sup>
<b>DOMINANT HYDROPHYTIC VEGETATION</b>	
<i>Typha X Glauca</i> <i>Phalaris arundinacea</i> <i>Pilea pumila</i>	Hybrid cattail Reed canary grass Canadian clearweed
<b>HYDRIC SOIL INDICATORS</b>	
Depleted Below Dark Surface Loamy Mucky Mineral	A11 F1
<b>WETLAND HYDROLOGY DETERMINATION</b>	
High Water Table Saturation FAC-Neutral Test Geomorph Position	A2 A3 D2 D5

## DESKTOP REVIEW

HYDRIC RATING - SOIL UNIT(S)	Hydric - Muskego, Blue Earth, and Houghton soils, ponded, 0 to 1 percent slopes (L16A)
NATIONAL WETLAND INVENTORY	PABG
PUBLIC WATER INVENTORY	Yes – 27086500

## DISCUSSION

RATIONALE FOR DETERMINATION	The resource was delineated based on a vegetation community predominated by hydrophytes, hydric soils, presence of wetland hydrology, and a geomorphic landscape position formed by a gradual boundary transition. The resource runs offsite to the northwest, west and south. The upland transition was determined based on a lack of hydric soils and wetland hydrology.
ATYPICAL/PROBLEMATIC CONDITIONS	None.
CONSISTENCY WITH DESKTOP REVIEW	NWI matched the area of Resource 1-2. Resource 1-1 was unmapped on NWI.

<sup>1</sup> Appendix B contains wetland determination data forms supporting this investigated resource:

<sup>2</sup> Appendix D contains MnRAM output

Wet Point(s): 1A  
Up Point(s): 1B

INVESTIGATION AREA - A

FIELD DELINEATED 7/19/2021



Viewing West | Non-Wetland Flow path

**FIELD INVESTIGATION CONCLUSION<sup>1</sup>**

RESOURCE TYPE	Non-Wetland Flow Path
HYDRIC RATING - SOIL UNIT(S)	Not Rated - Udorthents (cut and fill land), 0 to 6 percent slopes
NATIONAL WETLAND INVENTORY	None
PUBLIC WATER INVENTORY	None

**DISCUSSION**

RATIONALE FOR DETERMINATION	IA-A occurred in an area with geomorphic position receiving hydrology from a culvert from the east and directing water west towards Resource 1. IA-A had hydric soils but did not contain wetland hydrology or hydrophytic vegetation and was determined to not be wetland.
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<sup>1</sup> Appendix B contains wetland determination data forms supporting this investigated resource:

Wet Point(s): N/A  
Up Point(s): IA-A



## CONCLUSION

A total of one wetland, or portions thereof, was identified and delineated within the project area and in accordance with the 1987 United States Army Corps of Engineers Wetland Delineation Manual.

Project area aquatic resources may be regulated by several agencies at the local, state, and/or federal level. Activities which may potentially impact wetlands should be discussed in advance with the appropriate regulating agency regarding potential permit requirements. The Local Government Unit (LGU) responsible for implementing the Minnesota Wetland Conservation Act at this project location is Minnehaha Creek Watershed District.

The Watershed District may require vegetated buffers around all regulated wetland areas. Wetland buffers must meet the standards specified by the Watershed District for any project that is regulated under the Wetland Conservation Act.

This wetland investigation meets the standards and criteria described in the 1987 United States Army Corps of Engineers Wetland Delineation Manual and all applicable subsequent guidance for an on-site determination. The results reflect the conditions present at the time of the delineation.

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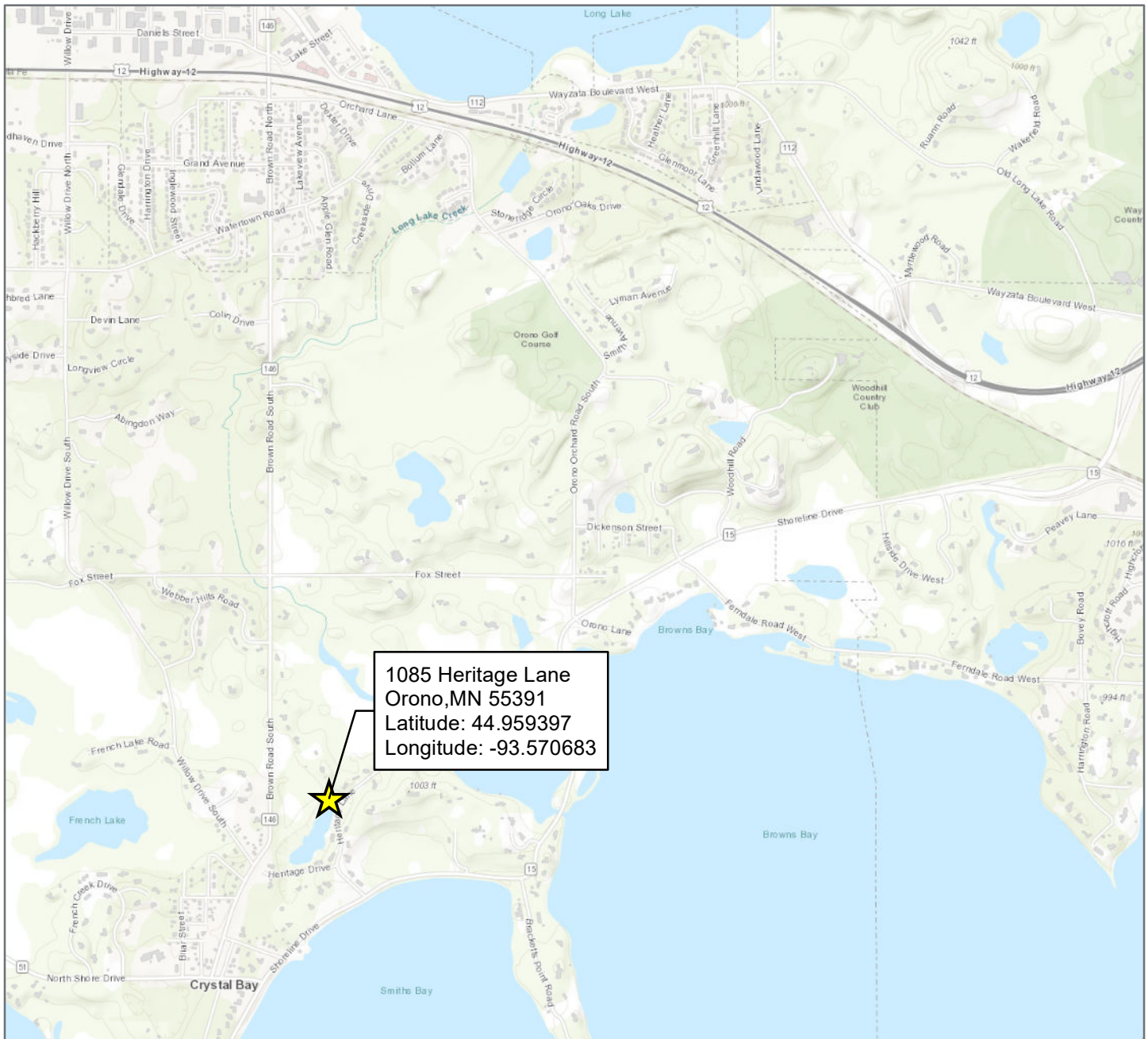
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**Appendix A**

**FIGURES**

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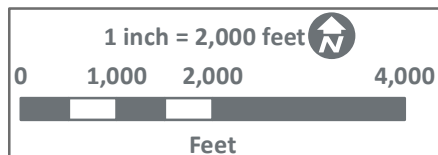


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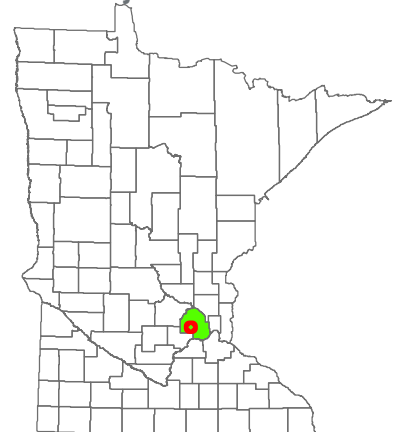
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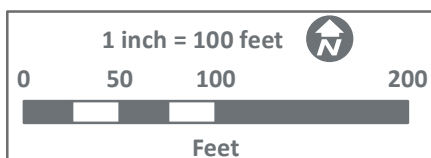




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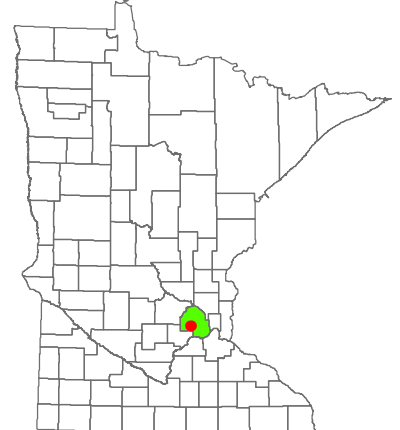
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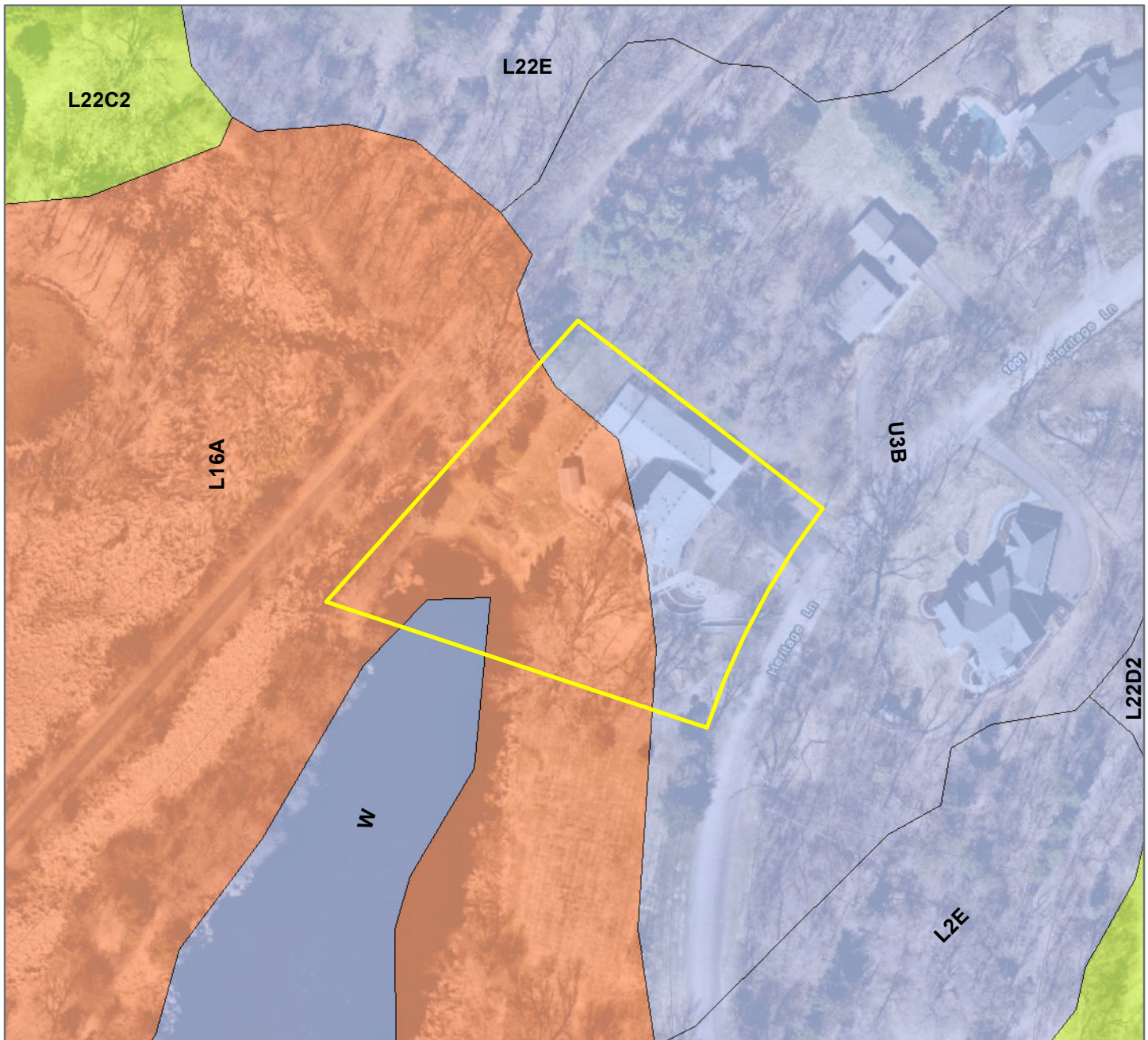
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**Legend**

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 Hennepin Co. Parcels

**Hydric Rating by Map Unit**

 0% Hydric Components

 1-32% Hydric Components

 33-65% Hydric Components

 66-99% Hydric Components

 100% Hydric Components

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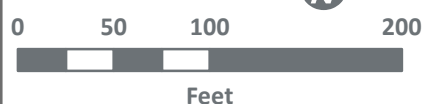
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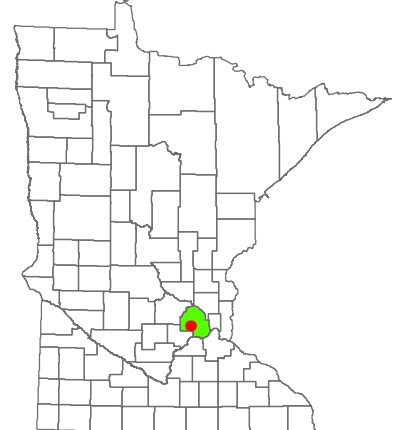
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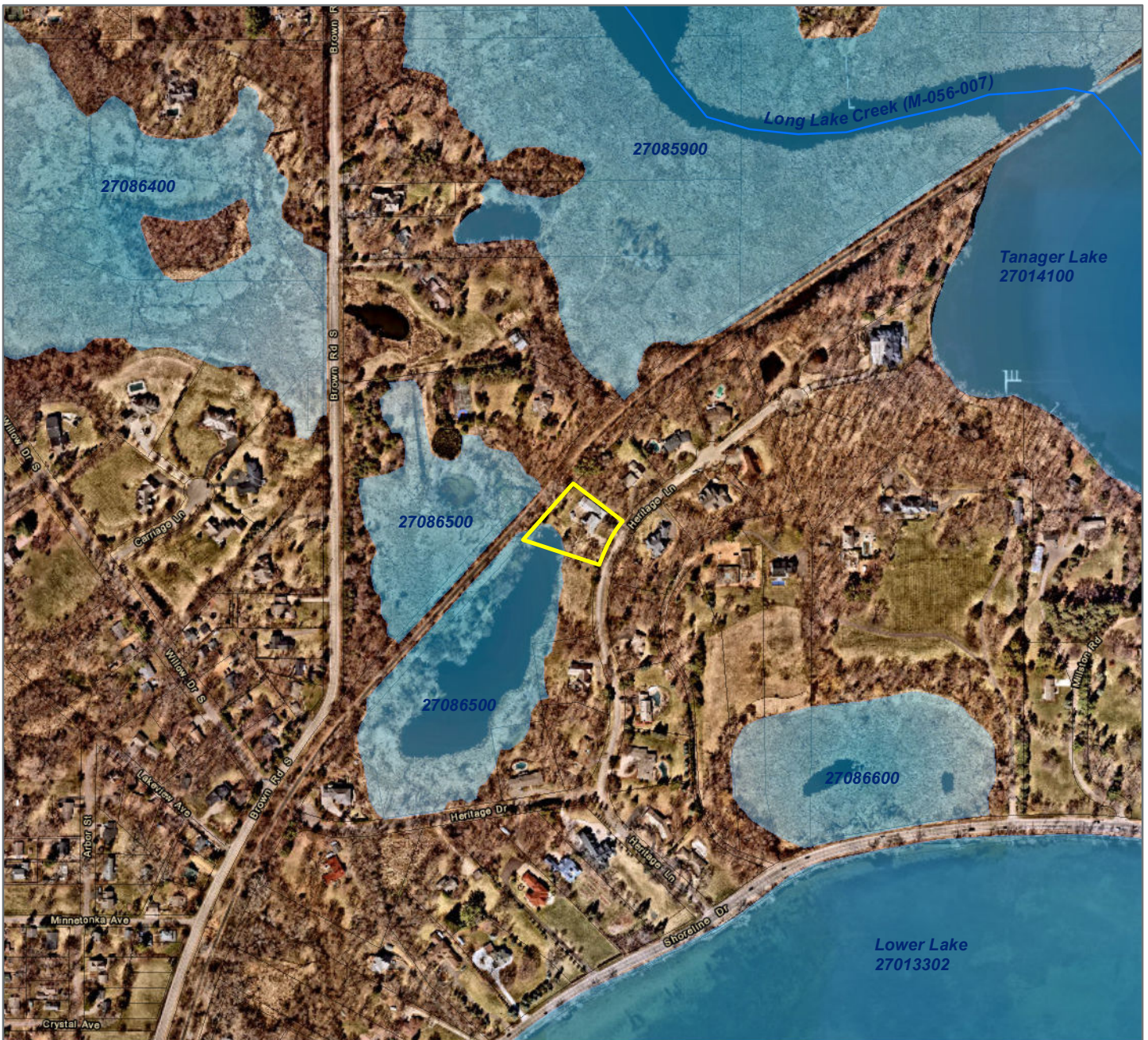
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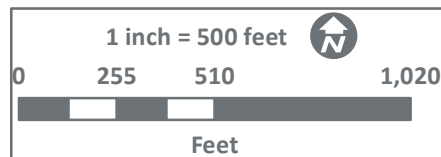




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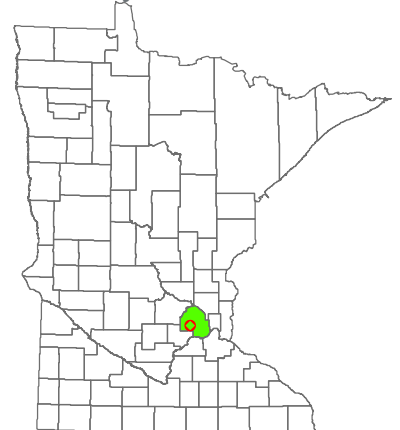
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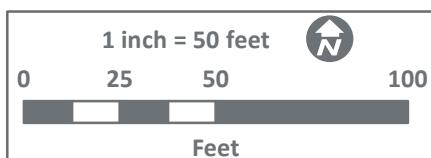




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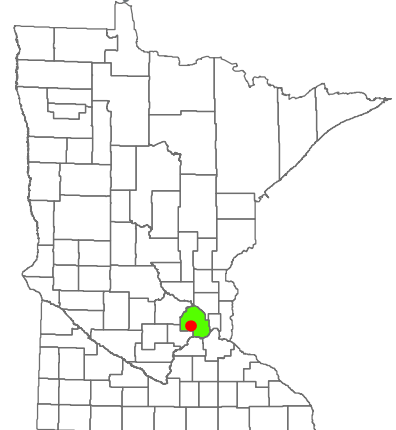
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- Wetland Field Delineated  
July 19th, 2021
- Drainage Flow Path
- Sample Point
- Culvert

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## **Appendix B**

### **ROUTINE ON-SITE DETERMINATION METHOD DATASHEETS**

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# WETLAND DETERMINATION DATA FORM - Midwest Region

Project/Site: PID 1011723130010 City/County: Orono/Hennepin Sampling Date: 07/19/2021  
 Applicant/Owner: Bischel Property State: MN Sampling Point: 01A  
 Investigator(s): A. Yellick, W. Benton Section, Township, Range: S.10 T.117N R.23W  
 Landform (hillslope, terrace, etc): Hill slope-Ts Local relief (concave, convex, none): concave  
 Slope(%): 0 Lat: 44.95932756 Long: -93.57084546 Datum: WGS 84  
 Soil Map Unit Name: L16A NWI classification: PUBG

Are climatic / hydrologic conditions on the site typical for this time of year? Yes X No        (If no, explain in Remarks.)  
 Are Vegetation       , Soil       , or Hydrology        significantly disturbed? Are "Normal Circumstances" present? Yes X 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 <u>X</u>	No <u>      </u>	Is the Sampled Area within a Wetland? Yes <u>X</u> No <u>      </u>
Hydric Soil Present?	Yes <u>X</u>	No <u>      </u>	
Wetland Hydrology Present?	Yes <u>X</u>	No <u>      </u>	
Remarks: Open water/shallow marsh (PUBG/EM1C, type 3/5). PWI 27086500			

## VEGETATION - Use scientific names of plants.

<p><b>Tree Stratum</b> (Plot size: <u>30 feet</u>)</p> <p>1. <u>      </u> Absolute % Cover <u>      </u> Dominant Species? <u>      </u> Indicator Status <u>      </u></p> <p>2. <u>      </u></p> <p>3. <u>      </u></p> <p>4. <u>      </u></p> <p>5. <u>      </u></p> <p><u>0</u> = Total Cover</p> <p><b>Sapling/Shrub Stratum</b> (Plot size: <u>15 feet</u>)</p> <p>1. <u>      </u></p> <p>2. <u>      </u></p> <p>3. <u>      </u></p> <p>4. <u>      </u></p> <p>5. <u>      </u></p> <p><u>0</u> = Total Cover</p> <p><b>Herb Stratum</b> (Plot size: <u>5 feet</u>)</p> <p>1. <u>Typha xglauca</u> / Hybrid cattail <u>50</u> Yes <u>OBL</u></p> <p>2. <u>Pilea pumila</u> / Canadian clearweed <u>20</u> Yes <u>FACW</u></p> <p>3. <u>Phalaris arundinacea</u> / Reed canarygrass, Reed canary gras <u>20</u> Yes <u>FACW</u></p> <p>4. <u>Carex intumescens</u> / Greater bladder sedge <u>10</u> No <u>FACW</u></p> <p>5. <u>      </u></p> <p>6. <u>      </u></p> <p>7. <u>      </u></p> <p>8. <u>      </u></p> <p>9. <u>      </u></p> <p>10. <u>      </u></p> <p><u>100</u> = Total Cover</p> <p><b>Woody Vine Stratum</b> (Plot size: <u>30 feet</u>)</p> <p>1. <u>      </u></p> <p>2. <u>      </u></p> <p><u>0</u> = Total Cover</p>	<p><b>Dominance Test worksheet:</b></p> <p>Number of Dominant Species That Are OBL, FACW, or FAC: <u>3</u> (A)</p> <p>Total Number of Dominant Species Across All Strata: <u>3</u> (B)</p> <p>Percent of Dominant Species That Are OBL, FACW, or FAC: <u>100.0</u> (A/B)</p> <p><b>Prevalence Index worksheet:</b></p> <table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th>Total % Cover of:</th> <th>Multiply by:</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>OBL species <u>50</u></td> <td>x 1 = <u>50</u></td> </tr> <tr> <td>FACW species <u>50</u></td> <td>x 2 = <u>100</u></td> </tr> <tr> <td>FAC species <u>0</u></td> <td>x 3 = <u>0</u></td> </tr> <tr> <td>FACU species <u>0</u></td> <td>x 4 = <u>0</u></td> </tr> <tr> <td>UPL species <u>0</u></td> <td>x 5 = <u>0</u></td> </tr> <tr> <td>Column Totals: <u>100</u> (A)</td> <td><u>150</u> (B)</td> </tr> </tbody> </table> <p>Prevalence Index = B/A = <u>1.5</u></p> <p><b>Hydrophytic Vegetation Indicators:</b></p> <p><u>X</u> 1 - Rapid Test for Hydrophytic Vegetation</p> <p><u>X</u> 2 - Dominance Test is &gt;50%</p> <p><u>X</u> 3 - Prevalence Index ≤3.0<sup>1</sup></p> <p><u>      </u> 4 - Morphological Adaptations<sup>1</sup> (Provide supporting Problematic Hydrophytic Vegetation<sup>1</sup> (Explain )</p> <p><sup>1</sup>Indicators of hydric soil and wetland hydrology must be present, unless disturbed or problematic.</p> <p><b>Hydrophytic Vegetation Present?</b> Yes <u>X</u> No <u>      </u></p>	Total % Cover of:	Multiply by:	OBL species <u>50</u>	x 1 = <u>50</u>	FACW species <u>50</u>	x 2 = <u>100</u>	FAC species <u>0</u>	x 3 = <u>0</u>	FACU species <u>0</u>	x 4 = <u>0</u>	UPL species <u>0</u>	x 5 = <u>0</u>	Column Totals: <u>100</u> (A)	<u>150</u> (B)
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Remarks: (Include photo numbers here or on a separate sheet.)

## SOIL

Sampling Point: 01A

## 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 <sup>1</sup>	Loc <sup>2</sup>		
0-16	10YR 2/1	95	10YR 3/6	5	C	M	Muck	Loam
16-24	10YR 2/1	60	10YR 4/2	40	C	M	Coarse Sand	Mixed Matrix

<sup>1</sup>Type: C=Concentration, D=Depletion, RM=Reduced Matrix, MS=Masked Sand Grains.<sup>2</sup>Location: PL=Pore Lining, M=Matrix.

## Hydric Soil Indicators:

- |   |  |
|---|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Histosol (A1)                                | <input type="checkbox"/> Sandy Gleyed Marix (S4)             |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Histic Epipedon (A2)                         | <input type="checkbox"/> Sandy Redox (S5)                    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Black Histic (A3)                            | <input type="checkbox"/> Stripped Matrix (S6)                |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Hydrogen Sulfide (A4)                        | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Loamy Mucky Mineral (F1) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Stratified Layers (A5)                       | <input type="checkbox"/> Loamy Gleyed Matrix (F2)            |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 2 cm Muck (A10)                              | <input type="checkbox"/> Depleted Matrix (F3)                |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Depleted Below Dark Surface (A11) | <input type="checkbox"/> Redox Dark Surface (F6)             |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Thick Dark Surface (A12)                     | <input type="checkbox"/> Depleted Dark Surface (F7)          |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Sandy Mucky Mineral (S1)                     | <input type="checkbox"/> Redox Depressions (F8)              |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 5 cm Mucky Peat or Peat (S3)                 |  |

Indicators for Problematic Hydric Soils<sup>3</sup>:

- |   |
|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Coast Prairie Redox (A16)        |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Dark Surface (S7)                |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Iron-Manganese Masses (F12)      |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Very Shallow Dark Surface (TF12) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other (Explain in Remarks)       |

<sup>3</sup>Indicators of hydrophytic vegetation and wetland hydrology must be present, unless disturbed or problematic.

## Restrictive Layer (if observed):

Type: \_\_\_\_\_  
Depth (inches): \_\_\_\_\_Hydric Soil Present? Yes ☒ No ☐

Remarks:

## HYDROLOGY

## Wetland Hydrology Indicators:

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

- |  |  |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> Surface Water (A1)                        | <input type="checkbox"/> Water-Stained Leaves (B9)                     |
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Describe Recorded Data (stream gauge, monitoring well, aerial photos, previous inspections), if available:

Remarks:



# WETLAND DETERMINATION DATA FORM - Midwest Region

Project/Site: PID 1011723130010 City/County: Orono/Hennepin Sampling Date: 07/19/2021  
 Applicant/Owner: Bischel Property State: MN Sampling Point: 01B  
 Investigator(s): A. Yellick, W. Benton Section, Township, Range: S.10 T.117N R.23W  
 Landform (hillslope, terrace, etc): Hill slope-BS Local relief (concave, convex, none): none  
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 Soil Map Unit Name: L16A NWI classification: None

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## SOIL

Sampling Point: 01B

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

Depth (inches)	Matrix		Redox Features		Type <sup>1</sup>	Loc <sup>2</sup>	Texture	Remarks
	Color (moist)	%	Color (moist)	%				
0-12	10YR 2/2	100					Loam	
12-24	10YR 2/2	90	10YR 3/6	10	C	M	Loam	CaCO <sub>3</sub> mixed

<sup>1</sup>Type: C=Concentration, D=Depletion, RM=Reduced Matrix, MS=Masked Sand Grains.<sup>2</sup>Location: PL=Pore Lining, M=Matrix.**Hydric Soil Indicators:**

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Histosol (A1)                     | <input type="checkbox"/> Sandy Gleyed Marix (S4)    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Histic Epipedon (A2)              | <input type="checkbox"/> Sandy Redox (S5)           |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Black Histic (A3)                 | <input type="checkbox"/> Stripped Matrix (S6)       |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Hydrogen Sulfide (A4)             | <input type="checkbox"/> Loamy Mucky Mineral (F1)   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Stratified Layers (A5)            | <input type="checkbox"/> Loamy Gleyed Matrix (F2)   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 2 cm Muck (A10)                   | <input type="checkbox"/> Depleted Matrix (F3)       |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Depleted Below Dark Surface (A11) | <input type="checkbox"/> Redox Dark Surface (F6)    |
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**Indicators for Problematic Hydric Soils<sup>3</sup>:**

- ☐ Coast Prairie Redox (A16)  
☐ Dark Surface (S7)  
☐ Iron-Manganese Masses (F12)  
☐ Very Shallow Dark Surface (TF12)  
☐ Other (Explain in Remarks)

<sup>3</sup>Indicators of hydrophytic vegetation and wetland hydrology must be present, unless disturbed or problematic.

**Restrictive Layer (if observed):**

Type: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Depth (inches): \_\_\_\_\_

**Hydric Soil Present?** Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No   X  

Remarks:

## HYDROLOGY

**Wetland Hydrology Indicators:**Primary Indicators (minimum of one is required: check all that apply)

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

## SOIL

Sampling Point: IA-A

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

Depth (inches)	Matrix		Redox Features		Type <sup>1</sup>	Loc <sup>2</sup>	Texture	Remarks
	Color (moist)	%	Color (moist)	%				
0-8	10YR 2/2	60	10YR 6/3	40	C	M	Coarse Sand	

<sup>1</sup>Type: C=Concentration, D=Depletion, RM=Reduced Matrix, MS=Masked Sand Grains.<sup>2</sup>Location: PL=Pore Lining, M=Matrix.

## Hydric Soil Indicators:

- |  |  |
|--|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Histosol (A1)                     | <input type="checkbox"/> Sandy Gleyed Marix (S4)     |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Histic Epipedon (A2)              | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Sandy Redox (S5) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Black Histic (A3)                 | <input type="checkbox"/> Stripped Matrix (S6)        |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Hydrogen Sulfide (A4)             | <input type="checkbox"/> Loamy Mucky Mineral (F1)    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Stratified Layers (A5)            | <input type="checkbox"/> Loamy Gleyed Matrix (F2)    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 2 cm Muck (A10)                   | <input type="checkbox"/> Depleted Matrix (F3)        |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Depleted Below Dark Surface (A11) | <input type="checkbox"/> Redox Dark Surface (F6)     |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Thick Dark Surface (A12)          | <input type="checkbox"/> Depleted Dark Surface (F7)  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Sandy Mucky Mineral (S1)          | <input type="checkbox"/> Redox Depressions (F8)      |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 5 cm Mucky Peat or Peat (S3)      |  |

Indicators for Problematic Hydric Soils<sup>3</sup>:

- ☐ Coast Prairie Redox (A16)  
☐ Dark Surface (S7)  
☐ Iron-Manganese Masses (F12)  
☐ Very Shallow Dark Surface (TF12)  
☐ Other (Explain in Remarks)

<sup>3</sup>Indicators of hydrophytic vegetation and wetland hydrology must be present, unless disturbed or problematic.

## Restrictive Layer (if observed):

Type: \_\_\_\_\_ Rock \_\_\_\_\_  
 Depth (inches): \_\_\_\_\_ 8 \_\_\_\_\_

Hydric Soil Present? Yes ☒ No ☐

Remarks:

## HYDROLOGY

## Wetland Hydrology Indicators:

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

- |  |  |
|--|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Surface Water (A1)                        | <input type="checkbox"/> Water-Stained Leaves (B9)                     |
| <input type="checkbox"/> High Water Table (A2)                     | <input type="checkbox"/> Aquatic Fauna (B13)                           |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Saturation (A3)                           | <input type="checkbox"/> True Aquatic Plants (B14)                     |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Water Marks (B1)                          | <input type="checkbox"/> Hydrogen Sulfide Odor (C1)                    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Sediment Deposits (B2)                    | <input type="checkbox"/> Oxidized Rhizospheres along Living Roots (C3) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Drift Deposits (B3)                       | <input type="checkbox"/> Presence of Reduced Iron (C4)                 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Algal Mat or Crust (B4)                   | <input type="checkbox"/> Recent Iron Reduction in Tilled Soils (C6)    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Iron Deposits (B5)                        | <input type="checkbox"/> Thin Muck Surface (C7)                        |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Inundation Visible on Aerial Imagery (B7) | <input type="checkbox"/> Gauge or Well Data (D9)                       |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Sparsely Vegetated Concave Surface (B8)   | <input type="checkbox"/> Other (Explain in Remarks)                    |

Secondary Indicators (minimum of two required)

- ☐ Surface Soil Cracks (B6)  
☐ Drainage Patterns (B10)  
☐ Dry-Season Water Table (C2)  
☐ Crayfish Burrows (C8)  
☐ Saturation Visible on Aerial Imagery (C9)  
☐ Stunted or Stressed Plants (D1)  
☒ Geomorphic Position (D2)  
☐ FAC-Neutral Test (D5)

## Field Observations:

Surface Water Present? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No ☒ Depth (inches): \_\_\_\_\_  
 Water Table Present? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No ☒ Depth (inches): \_\_\_\_\_  
 Saturation Present? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No ☒ Depth (inches): \_\_\_\_\_  
 (includes capillary fringe)

Wetland Hydrology Present? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No ☒

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

Remarks:

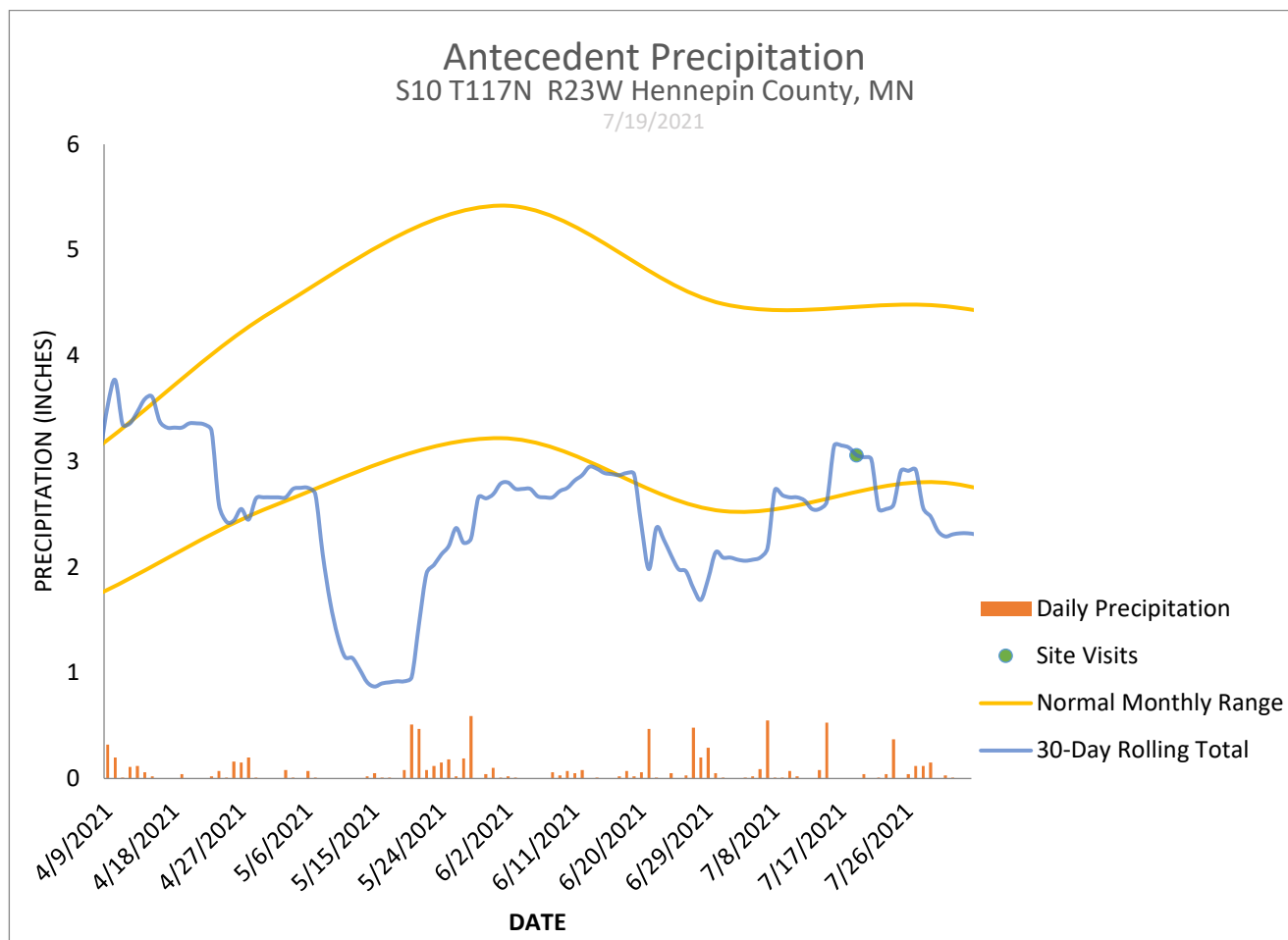
## Appendix C

### ANTECEDENT PRECIPITATION RECORD

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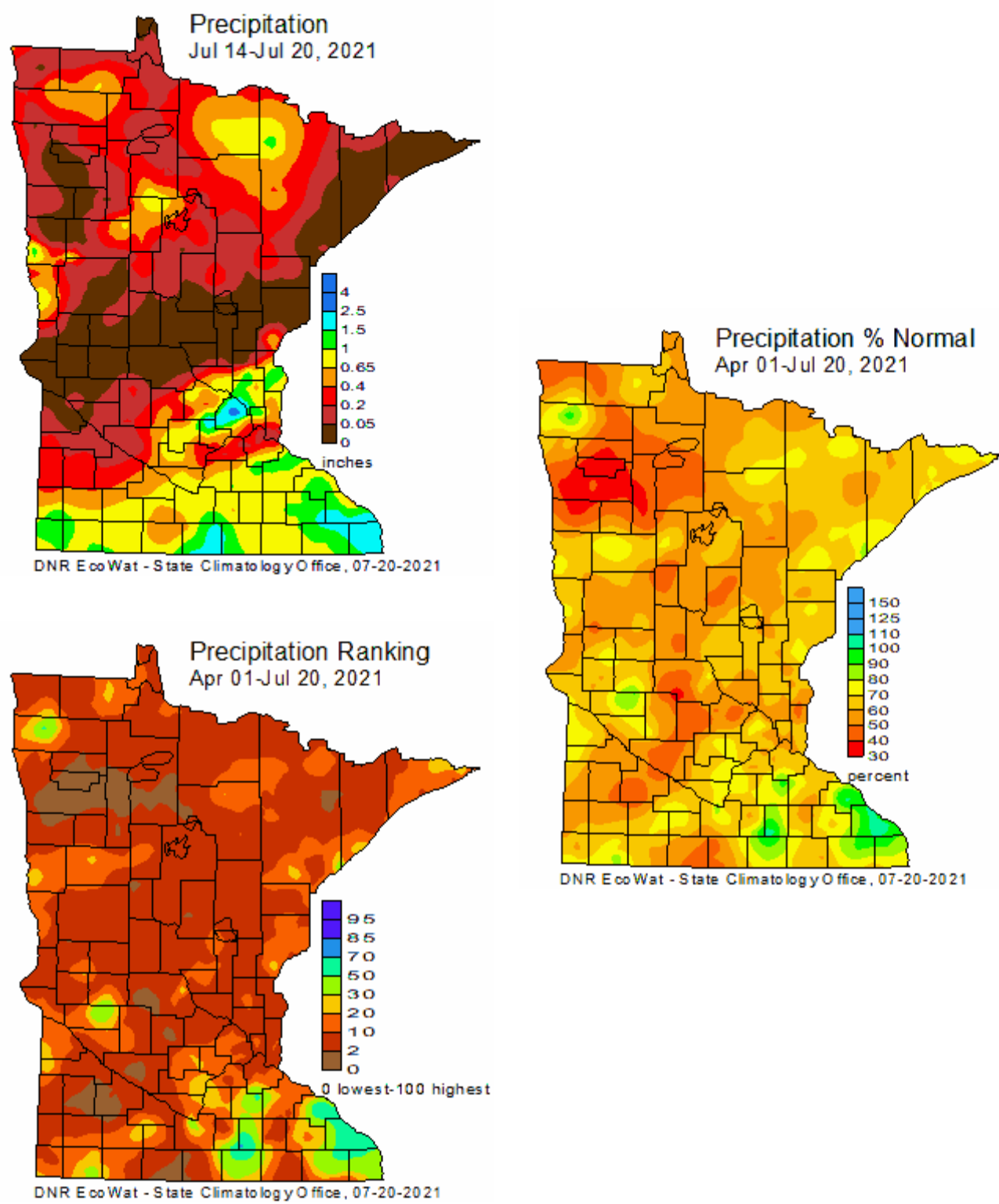


**Appendix C, Figure 1.** Graph of recent precipitation in comparison with the normal range of precipitation in the general site location. Daily precipitation data is plotted independently and as a 30-day rolling total up to the date of the site visit. The normal range is plotted from precipitation data recorded from 1981 to 2010. The normal range is represented in this graph with two lines, the 30<sup>th</sup> percentile and the 70<sup>th</sup> percentile of the period-of-record data distribution.



Source: <http://climate.umn.edu/>

**Appendix C, Figure 2.** Minnesota State Climatology Office map depicting total precipitation for the week of the site visit.



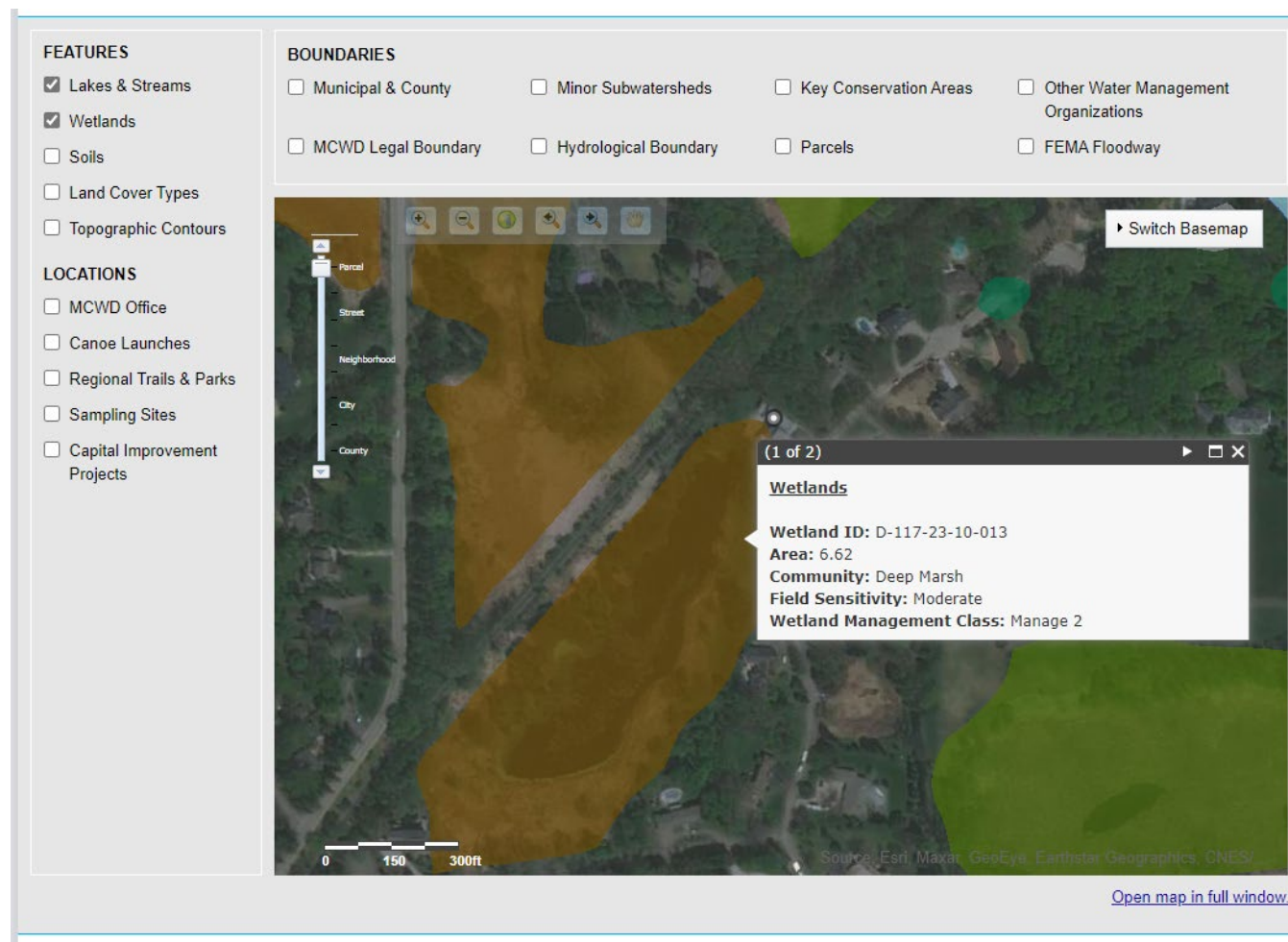
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## **Appendix D**

### **MINNESOTA ROUTINE ASSESSMENT METHODOLOGY (MnRAM)**

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**Appendix D, Figure 1.** MNRAM classification taken from Minnehaha Creek Watershed District website mapping resource.



Source: [Minnehaha Creek Watershed District](#) | [MCWD: Minnehaha Creek Watershed District](#)

## **Appendix E**

### **CREDENTIALS**

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#### CERTIFICATIONS

Professional Wetland Scientist #1832  
MN Certified Wetland Delineator #1016

#### EDUCATION

MS Water Resources Management  
University of Wisconsin-Madison

BS Biology; Ecology  
Minnesota State University- Mankato

#### SPECIALIZED TRAINING

Wetland Delineation & Management Training  
Richard Chinn Environmental Training, Inc.

Wetland Plant Identification  
Biotic Consultants Inc.

Plant Identification for Wetland Delineation  
University of Wisconsin-La Crosse

Watershed Academy Web Certificate  
United States Environmental Protection Agency

#### PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS

Society of Wetland Scientists  
MN Wetland Professionals Association (WPA)  
MN WPA President 2010  
Wisconsin Wetlands Association  
Association of State Wetland Managers  
Minnesota Native Plant Society  
Ecological Society of America

#### TOTAL EXPERIENCE

19 years

#### YEARS WITH CURRENT FIRM

2004 to Present

#### PUBLICATIONS & PRESENTATIONS

*The Future of Rowan Creek Watershed: Connecting Land Use and Management with Water Quality.* 2003. Water Resources Management Workshop 2002, Gaylord Nelson Institute for Environmental Studies, University of Wisconsin, Madison.

*The Tumultuous World of Drainage Districts: An Analysis of Existing Management Arrangements, with Recommendations.* Working Paper Series 2002-1. Water Resources Institutions and Policies, Department of Urban and Regional Planning, University of Wisconsin, Madison.

*South Shore Lake Bemidji Remediation & Restoration,* Society of American Military Engineers meeting June 22, 2016, St Paul, MN.

#### SUMMARY OF EXPERIENCE

Benjamin Hodapp, an Environmental Specialist and Senior Project Manager, brings a broad background of knowledge and experience in the environmental field to the Anderson Engineering team. Benjamin has a unique combination of multi-disciplinary academic training and work experience at various levels of federal, state and local government and private consulting.

Benjamin's project experience includes natural resource inventory and assessment; wetland delineation, mitigation design and monitoring; regulatory permitting; agency and stakeholder coordination; environmental impact assessment, environmental document preparation and public outreach.

#### REPRESENTATIVE PROJECTS

**Southwest Light Rail Transit- Metropolitan Council – Minneapolis, MN:** Project manager for wetland delineation and permitting efforts in support of multi-disciplinary consultant team for preparation of Final Environmental Impact Statement for proposed 16 mile light rail alignment. Project tasks included completion of wetland delineations, preparation of all federal, state and local wetland permits and wetland mitigation plans, quality assurance and quality control of all deliverable products.

**Harriet Island to South St. Paul Regional Trail – City of St Paul, City of South St. Paul and Dakota County – St Paul, MN:** Project manager for wetland delineation, mapping and assessment efforts in support of multi-disciplinary consultant team responsible for preliminary engineering and final design. Project tasks included project management oversight and coordination, supervising field staff in completion of both off-site and on-site wetland determinations, boundary delineations, GPS mapping and functional assessments. Oversaw preparation of and responsible for quality assurance and quality control of all deliverable products.

**Crosstown Blvd. Pedestrian Trail – City of Andover – Andover, MN:** Project Manager for wetland delineation associated with proposed City trail improvements. Services included a wetland delineation, GPS mapping and functional assessment document findings and coordination and approval of findings with federal, state and local regulatory agencies.

**Bennett Family Park Improvements – Minnetonka, MN:** Project Manager for wetland delineation associated with proposed baseball complex improvements. Services included a wetland delineation, GPS mapping and functional assessment document findings and coordination and approval of findings with federal, state and local regulatory agencies.

**Section 401/404 Wetland Permitting – Fort McCoy Commemorative Park Expansion – Fort McCoy, WI:** Provided project management services for Section 401/404 permitting associated with proposed wetland impacts resulting from the Commemorative Park Expansion Project at the Fort McCoy U.S. Army installation. Project tasks included project management, developing a wetland mitigation strategy in compliance with Section 401/404 and state wetland permitting requirements and oversight and quality control in preparing Section 401/404 permit application.

### EDUCATION

MS Environmental & Conservation  
Sciences

North Dakota State University

BS Biological Sciences

North Dakota State University

### CERTIFICATIONS

MN Certified Wetland Delineator  
#1354

MnDNR Tree Inspector  
#201005102

Erosion and Stormwater  
Management Construction Site  
Management

HAZWOPER 40-hour Training

### TOTAL EXPERIENCE

7 years

### YEARS WITH CURRENT FIRM

2018 to present

### SUMMARY OF EXPERIENCE

Alex H. Yellick, an Environmental Associate, brings a broad range of knowledge and experience in the environmental field to the Anderson Engineering team. Prior to his employment with Anderson Engineering of MN, LLC, Alex worked as a certified wetland delineator and has background in biologic assessments and threatened and endangered species review, regulatory review/permitting and Phase I Environmental Site Assessments. The skills that Alex developed through his biological and conservation sciences advanced educational background and experience make him proficient in assessing and addressing a range of environmental issues, and clearly communicating solutions to clients and various regulatory agencies.

Alex's project experience includes biological assessments of urban and rural wetlands, environmental permitting, assistance with preparing Wetland Bank Plans, environmental compliance oversight, stormwater best management practices design and compliance, and Phase I Site Assessments. Alex has experience with Global Positioning Systems, Geographic Information Systems, and AutoCAD.

### REPRESENTATIVE PROJECTS

**National Environmental Policy Act Environmental Assessments – California, Illinois, Montana:** Prepared National Environmental Policy Act-compliant Environmental Assessments for U.S. Department of Veteran Affairs. Projects include cemetery expansion or hospital development at Sacramento Valley National Cemetery, Abraham Lincoln National Cemetery, and Fort Harrison Veteran Affairs Medical Center.

**Minnesota Environmental Policy Act Categorical Exclusion Documentation and Wetland Delineation– Minnesota Department of Transportation Highway 63 and Interstate 90 Interchange Improvements.** Through partnership with Short Elliott Hendrickson Inc. (SEH), and working with MnDOT District 6, a nonprogrammatic Long Form Categorical Exclusion document and supporting information was prepared and approval was obtained from the Federal Highway Administration. In addition, project area federal and state regulated water resources were inventoried and a wetland replacement plan was developed.

**Wetland Delineation/Assessment – Various Locations:** services included wetland delineation and assessment of permitting requirements in support of development and real-estate transactions. Project tasks included completion of wetland field delineations following the 1987 United States Army Corps of Engineers Wetland Manual and Regional Supplements, boundary delineations, GPS mapping, and preparation of reports to document findings and assess wetland impacts.

**Permitting and Compliance Activities – Minnesota, Arkansas, Mississippi, Oklahoma, and Texas:** Services included federal, state, and local environmental permitting and operational compliance assistance associated with energy infrastructure construction and maintenance activities.

### EDUCATION

Bachelor of Science in Land Use  
Planning and Environmental Policy  
Minor in Soil Science and Management

University of Wisconsin – Stevens Point

### PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS

MN Wetland Professionals  
Association (WPA)

Wisconsin and National Wildlife  
Federation

### TOTAL EXPERIENCE

3 years

### YEARS WITH CURRENT FIRM

2019 to present

### SUMMARY OF EXPERIENCE

Wyatt Benton, an Environmental Scientist, brings a broad range of knowledge and experience in the environmental science field to the Anderson Engineering team. Prior to his employment with Anderson Engineering of MN, LLC, Wyatt worked for the National Park Service monitoring scenic easements and collecting field data along the St. Croix Scenic Riverway in Minnesota and Wisconsin. He has conducted environmental review, city planning, and ordinance review for several cities, counties, and state governments across the Midwest. He is an associate director with the Wisconsin Wildlife Federation and president of the Conservation Leadership Corp which conducts statewide conservation and leadership education programs. He also has spent time in Washington D.C. speaking on conservation issues and working with Wisconsin legislators. The skills that Wyatt has developed through his educational background and experience make him proficient in assessing and addressing a range of ecological indicators and environmental issues.

Wyatt's project and educational experience includes conservation planning, soil science and management, biologic assessments, mitigation design and monitoring, city and transit planning, wetland determinations, wetland functions and values assessments, floodplain analysis, threatened and endangered species analysis, and National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) document preparation. Wyatt has experience with Global Positioning Systems, Geographic Information Systems, Computer-Aided Design, Photoshop, and SketchUp Design tools.

### REPRESENTATIVE PROJECTS

**NEPA Documentation – Various Locations:** Report preparation experience has included completing environmental assessments for the Department of Veterans Affairs St. Louis Medical Center Hospital, Fort Sam Houston National Cemetery and FCC tower and antenna siting in Miami Florida.

**Permitting – Various Locations:** Acting as permitting specialist for MN Department of Transportation projects including the I94 Maple Grove to Rogers Resurfacing project.

**Wetland Delineation Activities – Various Locations:** Services include performing the following general activities in compliance with federal, state, and local regulations: performing routine wetland determination and delineations to identify regulated aquatic resources and management of collected field data into environmental reports for state and federal agencies and private entities.

**Urban Tree Care and Soil Management – Twin Cities, MN:** Work included urban tree root enhancement and urban soil management and mitigation.