

# Wetland Function-Value Evaluation Form

Total area of wetland \_\_\_\_\_ Human made? \_\_\_\_\_ Is wetland part of a wildlife corridor? \_\_\_\_\_ or a "habitat island"? \_\_\_\_\_

Adjacent land use \_\_\_\_\_ Distance to nearest roadway or other development \_\_\_\_\_

Dominant wetland systems present \_\_\_\_\_ Contiguous undeveloped buffer zone present \_\_\_\_\_

Is the wetland a separate hydraulic system? \_\_\_\_\_ If not, where does the wetland lie in the drainage basin? \_\_\_\_\_

How many tributaries contribute to the wetland? \_\_\_\_\_ Wildlife & vegetation diversity/abundance (see attached list)

Wetland I.D. \_\_\_\_\_













Latitude \_\_\_\_\_ Longitude \_\_\_\_\_

Prepared by: \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Wetland Impact:  
**See General Permit Table**

Evaluation based on:  
Office \_\_\_\_\_ Field \_\_\_\_\_

Corps manual wetland delineation completed? Y \_\_\_\_\_ N \_\_\_\_\_

Function/Value	Suitability		Rationale (Reference #)*	Principal Function(s)/Value(s)	Comments
	Y	N			
 Groundwater Recharge/Discharge					
 Floodflow Alteration					
 Fish and Shellfish Habitat					
 Sediment/Toxicant Retention					
 Nutrient Removal					
 Production Export					
 Sediment/Shoreline Stabilization					
 Wildlife Habitat					
 Recreation					
 Educational/Scientific Value					
 Uniqueness/Heritage					
 Visual Quality/Aesthetics					
<b>ES</b> Endangered Species Habitat					
Other					

Notes:

\* Refer to backup list of numbered considerations.

**VEGETATION (Four Strata) – Use scientific names of plants.**

Sampling Point: \_\_\_\_\_

Tree Stratum (Plot size: _____ )	Absolute % Cover	Dominant Species?	Indicator Status	
1. _____	_____	_____	_____	<b>Dominance Test worksheet:</b> Number of Dominant Species That Are OBL, FACW, or FAC: _____ (A)  Total Number of Dominant Species Across All Strata: _____ (B)  Percent of Dominant Species That Are OBL, FACW, or FAC: _____ (A/B)
2. _____	_____	_____	_____	
3. _____	_____	_____	_____	
4. _____	_____	_____	_____	
5. _____	_____	_____	_____	
6. _____	_____	_____	_____	
7. _____	_____	_____	_____	
_____ = Total Cover				<b>Prevalence Index worksheet:</b> Total % Cover of: _____ Multiply by: OBL species _____ x 1 = _____ FACW species _____ x 2 = _____ FAC species _____ x 3 = _____ FACU species _____ x 4 = _____ UPL species _____ x 5 = _____ Column Totals: _____ (A) _____ (B)  Prevalence Index = B/A = _____
50% of total cover: _____		20% of total cover: _____		
Sapling/Shrub Stratum (Plot size: _____ )				
1. _____	_____	_____	_____	
2. _____	_____	_____	_____	
3. _____	_____	_____	_____	
4. _____	_____	_____	_____	
5. _____	_____	_____	_____	
6. _____	_____	_____	_____	
7. _____	_____	_____	_____	
8. _____	_____	_____	_____	
9. _____	_____	_____	_____	
_____ = Total Cover				
50% of total cover: _____		20% of total cover: _____		
Herb Stratum (Plot size: _____ )				
1. _____	_____	_____	_____	
2. _____	_____	_____	_____	
3. _____	_____	_____	_____	
4. _____	_____	_____	_____	
5. _____	_____	_____	_____	
6. _____	_____	_____	_____	
7. _____	_____	_____	_____	
8. _____	_____	_____	_____	
9. _____	_____	_____	_____	
10. _____	_____	_____	_____	
11. _____	_____	_____	_____	
_____ = Total Cover				
50% of total cover: _____		20% of total cover: _____		
Woody Vine Stratum (Plot size: _____ )				
1. _____	_____	_____	_____	
2. _____	_____	_____	_____	
3. _____	_____	_____	_____	
4. _____	_____	_____	_____	
5. _____	_____	_____	_____	
_____ = Total Cover				
50% of total cover: _____		20% of total cover: _____		
Remarks: (Include photo numbers here or on a separate sheet.)				

**Hydrophytic Vegetation Indicators:**  
 \_\_\_ 1 - Rapid Test for Hydrophytic Vegetation  
 \_\_\_ 2 - Dominance Test is >50%  
 \_\_\_ 3 - Prevalence Index is ≤3.0<sup>1</sup>  
 \_\_\_ 4 - Morphological Adaptations<sup>1</sup> (Provide supporting data in Remarks or on a separate sheet)  
 \_\_\_ Problematic Hydrophytic Vegetation<sup>1</sup> (Explain)

<sup>1</sup>Indicators of hydric soil and wetland hydrology must be present, unless disturbed or problematic.

**Definitions of Four Vegetation Strata:**

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

**Sapling/Shrub** – Woody plants, excluding vines, less than 3 in. DBH and greater than or equal to 3.28 ft (1 m) tall.

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

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

**Hydrophytic Vegetation Present?** Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

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Sampling Point: \_\_\_\_\_

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1. _____	_____	_____	_____	<b>Dominance Test worksheet:</b> Number of Dominant Species That Are OBL, FACW, or FAC: _____ (A)  Total Number of Dominant Species Across All Strata: _____ (B)  Percent of Dominant Species That Are OBL, FACW, or FAC: _____ (A/B)
2. _____	_____	_____	_____	
3. _____	_____	_____	_____	
4. _____	_____	_____	_____	
5. _____	_____	_____	_____	
6. _____	_____	_____	_____	
7. _____	_____	_____	_____	
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Sapling/Shrub Stratum (Plot size: _____ )				
1. _____	_____	_____	_____	
2. _____	_____	_____	_____	
3. _____	_____	_____	_____	
4. _____	_____	_____	_____	
5. _____	_____	_____	_____	
6. _____	_____	_____	_____	
7. _____	_____	_____	_____	
8. _____	_____	_____	_____	
9. _____	_____	_____	_____	
_____ = Total Cover				
50% of total cover: _____		20% of total cover: _____		
Herb Stratum (Plot size: _____ )				
1. _____	_____	_____	_____	
2. _____	_____	_____	_____	
3. _____	_____	_____	_____	
4. _____	_____	_____	_____	
5. _____	_____	_____	_____	
6. _____	_____	_____	_____	
7. _____	_____	_____	_____	
8. _____	_____	_____	_____	
9. _____	_____	_____	_____	
10. _____	_____	_____	_____	
11. _____	_____	_____	_____	
_____ = Total Cover				
50% of total cover: _____		20% of total cover: _____		
Woody Vine Stratum (Plot size: _____ )				
1. _____	_____	_____	_____	
2. _____	_____	_____	_____	
3. _____	_____	_____	_____	
4. _____	_____	_____	_____	
5. _____	_____	_____	_____	
_____ = Total Cover				
50% of total cover: _____		20% of total cover: _____		
<b>Hydrophytic Vegetation Present?</b> Yes _____ No _____				
<b>Hydrophytic Vegetation Indicators:</b> ___ 1 - Rapid Test for Hydrophytic Vegetation ___ 2 - Dominance Test is >50% ___ 3 - Prevalence Index is ≤3.0 <sup>1</sup> ___ 4 - Morphological Adaptations <sup>1</sup> (Provide supporting data in Remarks or on a separate sheet) ___ Problematic Hydrophytic Vegetation <sup>1</sup> (Explain)				
<b>Definitions of Four Vegetation Strata:</b>  <b>Tree</b> – Woody plants, excluding vines, 3 in. (7.6 cm) or more in diameter at breast height (DBH), regardless of height.  <b>Sapling/Shrub</b> – Woody plants, excluding vines, less than 3 in. DBH and greater than or equal to 3.28 ft (1 m) tall.  <b>Herb</b> – All herbaceous (non-woody) plants, regardless of size, and woody plants less than 3.28 ft in height.  <b>Woody vine</b> – All woody vines greater than 3.28 ft in height.				
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3. _____	_____	_____	_____	Percent of Dominant Species That Are OBL, FACW, or FAC: _____ (A/B)
4. _____	_____	_____	_____	<b>Prevalence Index worksheet:</b> Total % Cover of: _____ Multiply by: OBL species _____ x 1 = _____ FACW species _____ x 2 = _____ FAC species _____ x 3 = _____ FACU species _____ x 4 = _____ UPL species _____ x 5 = _____ Column Totals: _____ (A) _____ (B)  Prevalence Index = B/A = _____
5. _____	_____	_____	_____	
6. _____	_____	_____	_____	
7. _____	_____	_____	_____	
_____ = Total Cover				
50% of total cover: _____ 20% of total cover: _____				
<u>Sapling/Shrub Stratum</u> (Plot size: _____ )				
1. _____	_____	_____	_____	
2. _____	_____	_____	_____	
3. _____	_____	_____	_____	
4. _____	_____	_____	_____	
5. _____	_____	_____	_____	
6. _____	_____	_____	_____	
7. _____	_____	_____	_____	
8. _____	_____	_____	_____	
9. _____	_____	_____	_____	
_____ = Total Cover				
50% of total cover: _____ 20% of total cover: _____				
<u>Herb Stratum</u> (Plot size: _____ )				
1. _____	_____	_____	_____	
2. _____	_____	_____	_____	
3. _____	_____	_____	_____	
4. _____	_____	_____	_____	
5. _____	_____	_____	_____	
6. _____	_____	_____	_____	
7. _____	_____	_____	_____	
8. _____	_____	_____	_____	
9. _____	_____	_____	_____	
10. _____	_____	_____	_____	
11. _____	_____	_____	_____	
_____ = Total Cover				
50% of total cover: _____ 20% of total cover: _____				
<u>Woody Vine Stratum</u> (Plot size: _____ )				
1. _____	_____	_____	_____	
2. _____	_____	_____	_____	
3. _____	_____	_____	_____	
4. _____	_____	_____	_____	
5. _____	_____	_____	_____	
_____ = Total Cover				
50% of total cover: _____ 20% of total cover: _____				
Remarks: (Include photo numbers here or on a separate sheet.)				<b>Hydrophytic Vegetation Present?</b> Yes _____ No _____
				<b>Hydrophytic Vegetation Indicators:</b> ___ 1 - Rapid Test for Hydrophytic Vegetation ___ 2 - Dominance Test is >50% ___ 3 - Prevalence Index is ≤3.0 <sup>1</sup> ___ 4 - Morphological Adaptations <sup>1</sup> (Provide supporting data in Remarks or on a separate sheet) ___ Problematic Hydrophytic Vegetation <sup>1</sup> (Explain)
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