PUBLIC NOTICE

NOTICE OF DECISION OF NORTHWOODS REGIONAL ATV TRAIL PHASE 1A & 1B Malmo, Jewett, White Pine and Millward Townships Aitkin County, Minnesota

On May 13, 2025 the Aitkin County Board of Commissioners determined that an Environmental Impact Statement for the Northwoods Regional ATV Trail Phase 1A & 1B is not required. The justification for this determination is contained in the Record of Decision. The Record of Decision also contains the responses to all substantive written comments received on the EAW during the 30 day public review and comment period.

Issuing this Record of Decision concludes the state environmental review process for this project according to Minn. 4410.1000 to 4410.1700.

The Record of Decision is posted on the Aitkin County website at: https://www.co.aitkin.mn.us/notices/. Hard copies are available upon request or can be viewed at the Aitkin County Planning & Zoning office during normal business hours at 307 2nd Street NW Room 219, Aitkin MN 56431.

Aitkin County Planning and Zoning

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ADOPTED

May 13, 2025

By Commissioner: Sample

20250513-062

EAW Record of Decision - Aitkin County Northwoods Regional ATV Trail Phase 1A & 1B

BE IT RESOLVED, the Aitkin County Board of Commissioners agrees to approve the Record of Decision for the Aitkin County Northwoods Regional ATV Trail Phase 1A & 1 B, noting that an Environmental Impact Statement is not required for the project.

Commissioner Kearney seconded the adoption of the resolution and it was declared adopted upon the following vote

FIVE MEMBERS PRESENT

All Members Voting Yes

STATE OF MINNESOTA) COUNTY OF AITKIN)

I, John Welle, County Engineer, Aitkin County, Minnesota do hereby certify that I have compared the foregoing with the original resolution filed in the Administration Office of Aitkin County in Aitkin, Minnesota as stated in the minutes of the proceedings of said Board on the 13th day of May 2025, and that the same is a true and correct copy of the whole thereof.

Witness my hand and seal this 13th day of May 2025

John Welle Date: 2025 05.14 06:39:19 -05:00*

John Welle County Engineer



Board of County Commissioners Agenda Request

Title of Item: Approve Northwoods Regional ATV Trail Phase 1A & 1B EAW

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Agenda Item #

Requested Meeting Date: May 13, 2025

✓ REGULAR AGENDA	Action Requested:	Direction Requested
	Approve/Deny Motion	Discussion Item
CONSENT AGENDA	Adopt Resolution (attach draft	Information Only
	Hold Public Hearing *provide o	opy of hearing notice that was published
Submitted by:	Department:	
Andrew Carlstrom		Environmental Services
Presenter (Name and Title): Andrew Carlstrom, Environmental	Estimated Time Needed: 5 Minutes	
Summary of Issue:		
accordance with MN Statute 4410. assessment has been completed,	orksheet is required for the Northwoods F 4300 Subpart 27(B)- Public Waters, Pub published, and reviewed by the EAW Co Fact, and Record of Decision for Board a	ic Water wetlands, and wetlands. the mmittee. Attached are the public notices,
Alternatives, Options, Effects	on Others/Comments:	
Recommended Action/Motion		
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RECORD OF DECISION

In the matter of determination of need for an Environmental Impact Statement for the Northwoods Regional ATV Trail Phase 1A & 1B. Aitkin County, Minnesota

Findings of Fact, Conclusions, and Order

Findings Of Fact

- 1) The Aitkin County Land Department prepared an Environmental Assessment Worksheet (EAW) for the proposed phases 1A & 1B of the Northwoods Regional Trail, pursuant to Minnesota Rules 4410.4300, Subpart. 37-A.
- The EAW was filed with the Environmental Quality Board (EQB) and notice of availability was published in the EQB Monitor on March 25, 2025. The EAW was made available on the Aitkin County website: https://www.co.aitkin.mn.us/notices/pdf/public-notice/Northwoods%20ATV%20Trail%20EAW.pdf. A press release announcing the availability of the EAW was published in the Aitkin Age March 26, 2025 and the Mille Lacs Messenger on March 26, 2025.
- 3) The 30 day EAW public review and comment period began March 25, 2025 and ended on April 25, 2025.
- 4) The EAW is incorporated by reference into this Record of Decision on the Determination of Need for an Environmental Impact Statement.
- 5) The proposed project is to construct an ATV trail on 40.95 acres between Malmo and Millward Township in Aitkin County. The project proposes 4.99 miles of new trail construction, with the remainder of the proposed trail following along existing trails, roadways, and ditches within the highway right-of-way (ROW).
- During the 30 day public review and comment period, the Aitkin County Planning and Zoning Department received comments on the EAW from the MPCA, MNDOT, and MN DNR.
- 7) The EAW Committee reviewed and discussed the comments on May 5, 2025. Their findings and comments are below in red.
- 8) The following summarized comments were submitted by **Chris Green of the MPCA**:
 A. Project will require a NPDES Construction Storm Water Permit to include volume reduction practices such as infiltration.
 - Understood. In the final plan a NPDES CSW Permit will be required for the project and volume reduction practices, which includes addressing infiltration.
- 9) The following summarized comments were submitted by **Tom Cruikshank (District 3)** of MNDOT:
 - A. District 3 staff have not yet been provided construction engineering plans for MNDOT highway ROW.

Construction engineering plans will be included in final plan.

B. District 3 staff will need to review any proposed trail construction within MNDOT ROW and be authorized with either Limited Use Permit and/or Maintenance Agreement.

Noted by staff.

The following summarized comments were submitted by Maren Webb (District 1) of MNDOT:

A. Trails constructed within trunk highway ROW should be located as close to ROW lines as possible and on backslope beyond ditch section.

Noted. Not applicable.

B. Screening may be required in ROW to reduce glare from headlights at night.

Noted.

C. Any water crossings within ROW must not interfere with existing drainage patterns.

Noted.

D. Wetland impacts will need permitting and be mitigated prior to land use permit issue by MPCA.

Noted.

10) The following summarized comments were submitted by **Jessica Parson of the MN DNR:**

A. Solana State Forest Trail Planning: DNR currently reviewing potential user conflicts. Ensure sufficient communication and coordination for long-term compatibility and sustainability.

Noted. Aitkin County staff to coordinate with the DNR on potential user conflicts.

B. Forest Roads: Increased ATV/OHV use will result in more needed maintenance. Recommend avoiding state forest roads if possible and proposer must pay for poor road conditions. Describe a plan on how to address maintenance costs. Maintenance needs are grossly underestimated in EAW and should be discussed more.

Noted. Aitkin County conducts annual trail assessments, and maintenance needs of the trail are included in that.

1. Figures and Maps in EAW. Item 6b table totals inaccurate and needs updates recommended by DNR.

Noted.

2. Post construction plan. Update maps as recommended by DNR.

Noted.

C. Safety Concerns: DNR recommends trail intersection markings for navigation and emergency vehicles. Logging and hauling leases on West & East White Pine State Forest Roads.

All trails will be flagged and marked.

D. Use Considerations: Increased signage, barriers, and additional monitoring to protect multi-recreational uses. Malmo and Millward Townships should be kept up-to-date. Items 20b & 20c contradictions on number of trailheads. Anticipated increased public use resulting in further planned operations.

All GIA funding require annual trail assessments which Aitkin County will conduct yearly. Malmo and Millward Townships will be kept up-to-date on developments. Items 20b and 20c figures will be updated in final plans. Trails will be monitored often, and annual trail damage assessments will be conducted.

E. Mineral Concerns: Access to minerals must be preserved.

No trails will be blocked by Aitkin County as all lands and mineral rights belong to the State of Minnesota.

- F. Invasive Species Prevention and Soil Concerns: Increased ATV/OHV may contribute to additional invasive species and soil concerns.
 - 1. Invasive Species: DNR requests additional invasive species and prevention and management plan be presented.

Performance of annual trail maintenance checks, integrated pest management, and educational information provided on ATV trail kiosks will contribute to deterring the spreading of invasive species.

2. Soils: DNR requesting more detail in excavated estimated volume and acreage impacted as well as construction methods.

Noted. Will be included in final construction plan.

G. Wetlands and Waterbodies: DNR concerns of proposed trails through public water wetlands and public ditch (Map 23 & Map 54). Determine if public water works permit needed for wetlands and if altered watercourse permit is needed for ditching alteration. DNR requests more information via more wetland delineations in Phase 1A, as well as impacts in Phase 1B. DNR requests cumulative potential effects for wetland impacts.

A Wetland Replacement Plan for Phase 1A is currently in-progress. A separate Wetland Replacement Plan will be completed for Phase 1B once the wetland delineation is completed. No altered watercourses are planned. Phase 1B will include minor rerouting, wetland public permitting, and proposed construction will be included I final plan.

- H. Rare Features & Wildlife:
 - 1. 14a: DNR requests impacts to S1-S3 plant communities. Archeological survey?

Proposer has contracted with Midwest Natural Resources and Duluth Archeology for rare plant and archeology surveys.

2. 14b: DNR requests a rare plant survey.

See above. The results of the rare plant survey will be shared with the DNR and recommendations on potential changes to the existing route will be discussed.

3. 14d: Tree removal avoidance from November 15 to March 31. Avoid impacting the long-eared bat and little brown myotis. Concerns of noise disturbance. Avoidance of vernal pools.

Tree removal will be avoided to the extent practical, from March 31 to November 15 each year. However, there are no know hibernaculum or bat nesting areas within the Project Area and Aitkin County has a Habitat Conservation Plan and an Incidental Take Permit. Therefore, if needed some tree removal may take place during the avoidance timeframe indicated above.

I. Next Steps: DNR recommends more discussion and planning as to how this project fits into the Solana State Forest Trail Planning effort. Additional information on proposed route and additional route segments are needed.

On-going discussions will be held with DNR Forest Planner.

CONCLUSIONS

- 1) The Aitkin County Planning and Zoning Department has fulfilled all the procedural requirements of law and rule applicable to the need for an Environmental Impact Statement on the proposed Northwoods Regional ATV Trail Phase 1A & 1B.
- 2) The identified environmental effects of the project are minor.
- There are no elements of the project that pose the potential for significant environmental effects that cannot be addressed through permit and regulatory processes.
- 4) Based on consideration of the criteria and factors specified in the Minnesota Environmental Review Program Rules to determine whether a project has the potential for significant environmental effects, and on the findings and record in this matter, Aitkin

- County determines that the proposed Northwoods Regional ATV Trail Phase 1A & 1B does not have the potential for significant environmental effects.
- 5) An Environmental Impact Statement on the proposed Northwoods Regional ATV Trail Phase 1A & 1B is not required.
- 6) That any Findings that might properly be termed Conclusions and any Conclusions that might properly be termed Findings are hereby adopted as such.

ORDER

Based on the above Findings of Fact and Conclusions:

Aitkin County determines that an Environmental Impact Statement is not required for the Northwoods Regional ATV Trail Phase 1A & 1B.

Dated 13th day of May, 2025.

Mark Wedel

Charperson, Aitkin County Board of Commissioners,

Aitkin County, Minnesota

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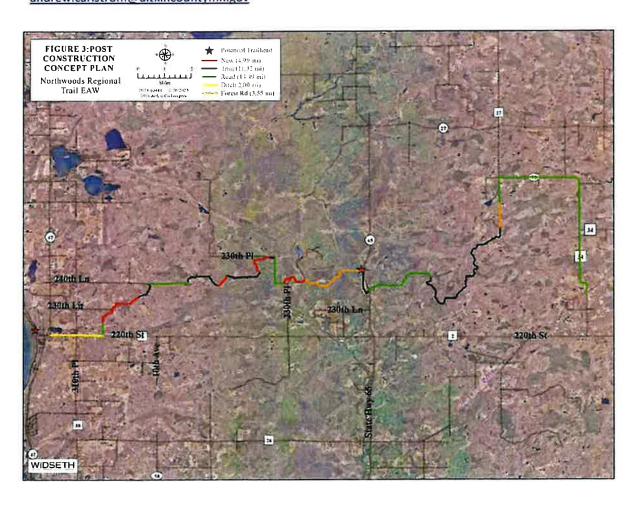
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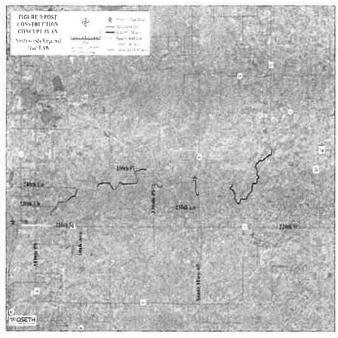
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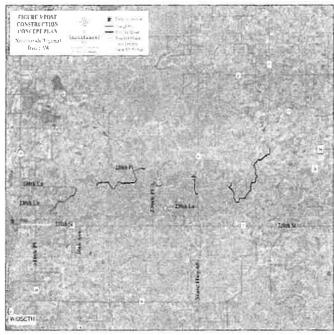
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Sent: Friday, April 25, 2025 2:55 PM

To: Andrew Carlstrom

Cc: Anderson, Bryan (DOT); Lind, Katherine (DOT); Voss, Steven (DOT); Erickson, Tad (DOT);

Cruikshank, Thomas (DOT)

Subject: RE: MnDOT D3 Comments_RE: Aitkin County- EAW Available for Comment-

Northwoods Regional ATV Trail

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Good afternoon, Andrew,

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on the Northwoods Regional ATV Trail EAW. While the proposer will be required to go through the limited use permit (LUP) process for any trail development within MnDOT right of way (ROW), it is helpful to provide feedback proactively before a LUP application is developed. The comments provided below are focused on proposed use of MnDOT ROW, as the transportation impacts (section 20. Transportation) are expected to be minor and dispersed in regards to impacts to the trunk highway. As District 3 mentioned in their comments, this proposed trail does impact MnDOT ROW within District 1 and District 3.

For instances when the trail may be proposed within MnDOT ROW:

- Any trail located within the trunk highway ROW should be located as close to the ROW line as possible. At a minimum it should be located on the backslope beyond the ditch section.
- Screening may be required for some or all of the trail within the ROW. The trail will be a two way trail that can be used at night. Screening addresses headlight glare and alleviates driver confusion with oncoming headlights being on the wrong side of the road.
- If there are water crossings needed as part of the trail development within ROW, they will need to be designed to not interfere with existing drainage patterns. In general, existing drainage patterns should be maintained.
- Wetland impacts will need to be permitted and mitigated prior to an LUP being issued by MnDOT.

Please reach out with any questions.

Thank you, Maren Webb

Maren Webb, MPP

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Principal Planner | District 1

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Sent: Monday, March 24, 2025 11:02 AM

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Subject: FW: MnDOT D3 Comments_RE: Aitkin County- EAW Available for Comment- Northwoods Regional ATV Trail

FYI

From: Cruikshank, Thomas (DOT) < Thomas. Cruikshank@state.mn.us>

Sent: Monday, March 24, 2025 11:01 AM **To:** andrew.carlstrom@aitkincountymn.gov

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Subject: MnDOT D3 Comments_RE: Aitkin County- EAW Available for Comment- Northwoods Regional ATV Trail

Hello Andrew,

MnDOT District 3 staff received this EAW notice for review and comment. As you probably know this trail traverses two MnDOT District planning areas – District 3 and 1. Bryan Anderson and D1 staff may also wish to provide comment. District 3 staff would like to provide comment pertaining more to the Malmo end of the trail. For the past couple of years our District functional area staff members have been involved in meetings with Aitkin County staff and trail supporters on extension of the Northwoods trail south from Malmo along the east side of Mille Lacs Lake between the lake and Highway 47 to the Mille Lacs County line. No recent conversations or meetings on this proposed trail have occurred. Also, MnDOT District 3 staff have not been provided construction engineering plans for review in MnDOT ROW which would be necessary to determine constructability.

This EAW for the east/west Northwoods Trail would ideally be included in a county wide motorized trail plan to include connections at the ends to adjoining trails within the county or neighboring counties. In addition, any work within MnDOT ROW would need to be reviewed by District staff and any trail construction within MnDOT ROW would need to be authorized by either Limited Use Permit and/or Maintenance Agreement.

Reach out with any questions or if we can be of any assistance.

Tom Cruikshank

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Sent: Wednesday, March 19, 2025 9:53 AM

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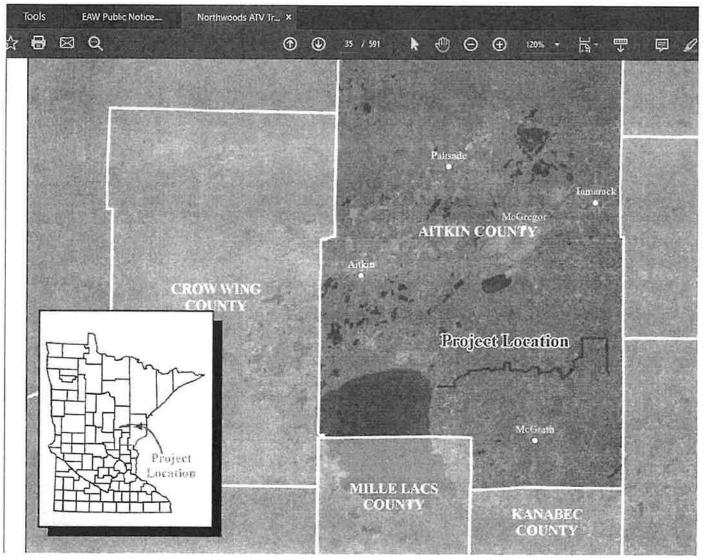
The following Environmental Assessment Worksheet (EAW) has been forwarded for your District's possible review and comment.

Due to large file size, the EAW document has been forward to you via the MnDOT MFT.

Any transportation or MnDOT right of way concerns the District may have should be provided directly to the Responsible Governmental Unit (RGU) indicated on the transmittal (see forwarded email below and attached Notice).

PS - It does look like (EAW, electronic pg 15/591) coordination with MnDOT is already occurring.

Please note the comment period for this EAW closes on: April 25, 2025



Katherine Tind

Environmental Review Specialist Minnesota Department of Transportation Central Office | Office of Environmental Stewardship (OES) 395 John Ireland Blvd, Mail Stop 620 St Paul, MN 55155

From: Shannon Wiebusch < shannon.wiebusch@aitkincountymn.gov>

Sent: Monday, March 17, 2025 10:20 AM

Subject: Aitkin County- EAW Available for Comment- Northwoods Regional ATV Trail

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Thank you,

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Sent:

Thursday, March 27, 2025 9:41 AM

To:

Shannon Wiebusch

Subject:

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Shannon -

Can you create a Drop Box for EAW Comments. Thank you.

Respectfully,

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Subject: MnDOT D3 Comments_RE: Aitkin County- EAW Available for Comment- Northwoods Regional ATV Trail

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Hello Andrew,

MnDOT District 3 staff received this EAW notice for review and comment. As you probably know this trail traverses two MnDOT District planning areas – District 3 and 1. Bryan Anderson and D1 staff may also wish to provide comment. District 3 staff would like to provide comment pertaining more to the Malmo end of the trail. For the past couple of years our District functional area staff members have been involved in meetings with Aitkin County staff and trail supporters on extension of the Northwoods trail south from Malmo along the east side of Mille Lacs Lake between the lake and Highway 47 to the Mille Lacs County line. No recent conversations or meetings on this proposed trail have

occurred. Also, MnDOT District 3 staff have not been provided construction engineering plans for review in MnDOT ROW which would be necessary to determine constructability.

This EAW for the east/west Northwoods Trail would ideally be included in a county wide motorized trail plan to include connections at the ends to adjoining trails within the county or neighboring counties. In addition, any work within MnDOT ROW would need to be reviewed by District staff and any trail construction within MnDOT ROW would need to be authorized by either Limited Use Permit and/or Maintenance Agreement.

Reach out with any questions or if we can be of any assistance.

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Subject: FW: Aitkin County- EAW Available for Comment- Northwoods Regional ATV Trail

The following Environmental Assessment Worksheet (EAW) has been forwarded for your District's possible review and comment.

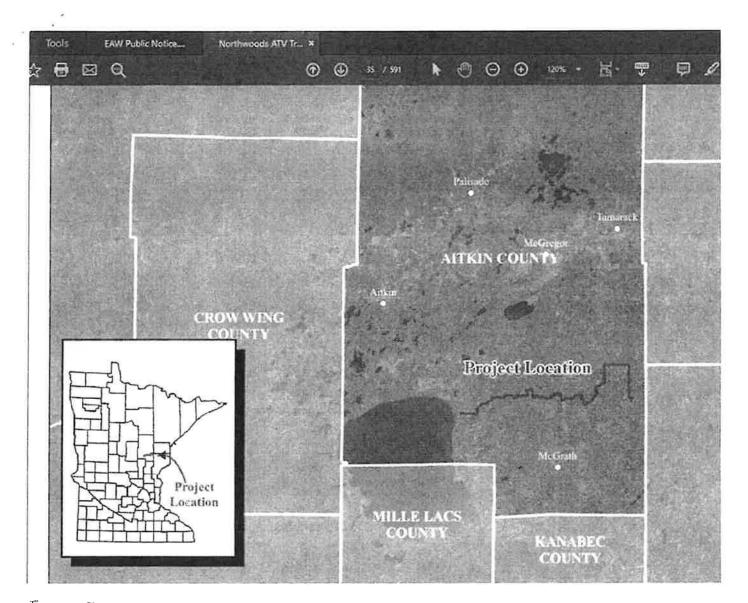
Due to large file size, the EAW document has been forward to you via the MnDOT MFT.

Any transportation or MnDOT right of way concerns the District may have should be provided directly to the Responsible Governmental Unit (RGU) indicated on the transmittal (see forwarded email below and attached Notice).

PS - It does look like (EAW, electronic pg 15/591) coordination with MnDOT is already occurring.

Please note the comment period for this EAW closes on: April 25, 2025





Katherine Lind

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From: Shannon Wiebusch <shannon.wiebusch@aitkincountymn.gov>

Sent: Monday, March 17, 2025 10:20 AM

Subject: Aitkin County- EAW Available for Comment- Northwoods Regional ATV Trail

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Project Description: Aitkin County proposes to construct an All-Terrain Vehicle (ATV) trail on 40.95 acres between Malmo and Millward Township in Aitkin County, MN. The project will be completed in two phases (1A and 1B), adding

approximately 36.35 miles of trail to the existing Northwoods Regional ATV trail system. Phase 1A runs from 220th Street in Malmo to State Highway 65 and Phase 1B runs from State Highway 65 to the Soo Line ATV trail. The project proposes 4.99 miles of new trail construction, with the remainder of the proposed trail following along existing trails, roadways, and ditches within the highway right-of-way (ROW).

The EAW is posted for review on the Aitkin County website (https://www.co.aitkin.mn.us/). Hard copies are available upon request. The 30-day public comment period begins on March 25, 2025, and ends on April 25, 2025.

Written comments may be submitted by mail or email and should be addressed to:

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Thank you,

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Minnesota Department of Natural Resources Northeast Regional Headquarters 1201 East Highway 2, Grand Rapids, MN 55744

April 24, 2025

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RE: Northwoods Regional ATV Trail Phase 1A and 1B Environmental Assessment Worksheet (EAW)

Dear Mr. Carlstrom,

The Minnesota Department of Natural Resources (MNDNR) has conducted a review of the Northwoods Regional ATV Trail Phase 1A and 1B EAW. We appreciate the opportunity to review this project and encourage project proposers to continue their coordination with MN DNR and other agencies to protect natural resources. Additional information on the natural resources in the project area, surrounding area, and how they pertain to the Environmental Assessment Worksheet (EAW) may help enhance those efforts; see applicable sections below.

Environmental Review

We recommend proposers engage in a thorough and complete early coordination effort prior to the publication of an EAW to ensure viable and considered project segment options can be considered within the document. Including all segment options can prevent unanticipated alterations to the project that could have the potential to require a new EAW as required by Minn. R. 4410.1000 Subpart 5, Change in proposed project; new EAW,

"If, after a negative declaration has been issued but before the proposed project has received all approvals or been implemented, the RGU determines that a substantial change has been made in the proposed project or has occurred in the project's circumstances, which change may affect the potential for significant adverse environmental effects that were not addressed in the existing EAW, a new EAW is required."

Completion of the EAW process as required by MEPA, including the development and distribution of the Record of Decision (ROD) does not guarantee that a trail will be approved into the Off-Highway Vehicle (OHV) Grant-in-aid (GIA) program. Such projects still must undergo a separate review process

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to be considered for OHV GIA program eligibility. If concerns arise during the GIA review process and the route segments evaluated in the EAW encounter permitting challenges, the project could change.

The EAW indicates that it was prepared due to a mandatory category under Minnesota Rule 4410.4300 Subpart 27(B) – Public Waters, Public Water wetlands, and wetlands. However, it appears that other categories could have also applied to this project, such as Minn. R. 4410.4300 Subpart 37(B). For reference, when a project may exceed thresholds in two or more categories, Minnesota Rules 4410.0500 Subpart 5 directs governmental units on the Responsible Governmental Unit (RGU) selection procedure. Often this procedure can be completed via a conversation among RGU representatives and occurs to agree upon the most appropriate RGU for a given project. DNR Environmental Review staff are happy to be available for conversations regarding RGU selection or whether other categories may apply where DNR has RGU responsibilities.

Solana State Forest Trail Planning

MN DNR is currently undergoing State Forest Trail Planning in the Solana State Forest which includes assessing trails to determine appropriate designation statuses for existing and proposed trails within Solana State Forest. Through the trail planning process MN DNR has identified multiple locations with potential user conflicts that are being reviewed. We are not at the point of making decisions on the routes/uses; please provide additional route segment options and evaluate them as part of the ROD.

Item 21 of the EAW should reference MN DNR's ongoing Solana State Forest Trail Planning project. Please note that outcomes from this effort may include closure of unsustainable motorized trails, development of new motorized trails to promote connectivity, addition of designated Hunter Walking Trails (HWT), reconstruction or rehabilitation of existing trails including the introduction of new motorized uses where appropriate. MN DNR recommends following best trail building and maintenance practices as outlined in the following resources: USFS Trail Maintenance and Construction Notebook, MNDNR Trail Planning, Design, and Development Guidelines, NOHVCC Great Trails Guidebook.

With this trail planning effort currently underway, it may have implications for the long-term compatibility and sustainability of the proposed trail alignment.

Forest Roads

This proposed trail utilizes the East and West White Pine Forest roads. The following are some key points about Forest Roads and GIA trails.

ATV/OHV use on Forest Roads

- Forest system roads in the Solana State Forest are currently open to OHV/ATV traffic.
 - a) There are existing designated ATV trails on Forestry lands but there is no maintenance on them at this time, and the usage is limited to local traffic due to lack of connectivity.
- 2) The MN DNR Forestry Land Manual recommends that GIA trails avoid state forest roads, if possible.

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3) When GIA permits are issued, traffic on the routes typically increases. An increase in use will result in an increased need for maintenance. A plan for how to plan, pay for, and execute this additional maintenance should be clearly identified.

Maintenance of State Forest Roads

- 1) MN DNR's Division of Forestry is required to maintain the forest roads system to a low ground clearance vehicle standard. GIA/ATV trails are typically only required to be maintained to an ATV use standard.
 - a) Any GIA trail designated on a State Forest Road must be maintained to the higher standard of a state forest road.
 - b) On State Forest Roads, MN DNR will require maintenance at the proposer's expense if it is evident that OHV/ATV use contributed to the poor condition of the road.
 - c) Increased ATV traffic on State Forest Roads may deteriorate their condition below the standard of low ground clearance vehicles, but above that of the OHV/ATV standard, and as a result increase overall maintenance cost. Please describe plans on how to address the additional maintenance costs and adherence to the required maintenance standards.
- 2) Statewide, the Forest Roads program is underfunded. Due to this funding shortage, the program is not able to complete all essential maintenance activities across the state. The maintenance needs of the proposed route are grossly underestimated in the EAW and should be discussed more in depth and with greater accuracy in the ROD.

Figures and Maps in EAW

- 1) In Item 6b:
 - a) Table totals are inaccurate and should be revised. The 1.12-mile trail segment extending from West White Pine Road in Solana State Forest south along Highway 65 is currently designated as a snowmobile trail. As the proposal introduces ATV use in this segment, it constitutes a new motorized use and should be classified as "New Trail."
 - b) All corresponding maps, figures and text in the EAW should be updated with the most current information and be consistent throughout.
 - c) Table totals should also be corrected to reflect that East White Pine is a designated Forest Road, not a general *Road*.
- 2) Figure 3: Post Construction Concept Plan:
 - a) Update to show East White Pine as a Forest Road (orange), not a general Road (green).
 - b) Update to reflect that the 1.12-mile segment south of West White Pine Road is currently a snowmobile trail. The proposed addition of ATV use in this segment constitutes a new motorized use and should be identified as "New Trail."

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c) The figure appears to be corrupted, and the text is illegible. Please provide a corrected version and ensure legibility.

Safety Concerns

MN DNR recommends using trail intersection markings on public maps with corresponding location signage on the ground, to be able to communicate location accurately. This can help users navigate the system and communicate their location with emergency services should the need arise.

West White Pine State Forest Road and East White Pine State Forest Road are used as summer haul roads for logging operations. Additionally, an active gravel lease is located on the West White Pine Forest Road. These roads have narrow winding curves with blind spots, which should be a consideration for this project regarding safety for all user groups. Additional route segment options that reduce these interactions should be explored and evaluated in the ROD.

Use Considerations

MN DNR supports a variety of recreational uses across the state. Non-motorized uses on hunter walking trail systems are another priority for MN DNR to develop, maintain, and protect. Signage, barriers, and frequent monitoring will be needed to protect these resources. Please highlight how this will be addressed across the proposed project, and additional route segment options.

Malmo and Millward Townships should be informed about this project and kept up to date as plans develop. Additionally, the logging and forestry industry has a vested interest in the state of the road system and has frequently taken on the road maintenance responsibilities, often covering the costs themselves.

Items 20 b. and 20 c. of the EAW include maps that seem to contradict each other regarding the number of planned trailheads. Additionally, there is no mention of shelters or other facilities in the narrative of the proposal.

Facilities attract increased public use and may warrant further considerations to planned operations. Please clarify how many trailheads and other infrastructure/facilities are planned as part of this project. Any additional infrastructure may not be covered under a forthcoming GIA permit and may require a separate lease agreement through MN DNR Lands and Minerals, in addition to permission from the land administrator.

Mineral Concerns

There are parcels with state owned aggregate and metallic mineral potential. Additional information is available upon request. Access to minerals must be preserved in case of future exploration and/or development. For example, funding sources used for the project should not encumber the mineral resources. Any lease(s) or agreements would include language to preserve access to mineral resources, meaning the infrastructure would need to be removed/moved at the trail operator's expense.

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Invasive Species Prevention and Soil Concerns

Invasive Species

Invasive species prevention and management is a priority for the MN DNR. The increased trail use resulting from this project is likely to contribute to additional invasive species populations. A plan for how these infestations will be addressed on state lands in the future is essential. Please provide a proposal for an invasive species prevention and management plan. Item 21. c states: "Trail managers should work with partners in the area such as the DNR Trail Ambassador program to monitor and reduce the spread of invasive species within the proposed project."

Soils

Item 11 (b) provides limited soils information and does not include estimated volume and acreage of soil excavation and/or grading. More detail is needed in identifying measures during and after project construction to address soil limitations including stabilization, soil corrections or other measures. Please describe in greater detail the construction methods and approaches addressing erosion, soil stabilization, increased runoff, and mitigation for problems; please refer to guidance where applicable.

The soils of this area are extremely wet and sensitive to even light traffic. Keeping traffic on the trail and off non-motorized trails will be important to maintaining soil health, plant communities, and wildlife populations.

Wetlands and Waterbodies

A portion of the proposed trail runs through public water wetland (DOW# 01029800), located in more detail in map number 23 within the EAW. Any fill or excavation (or structure installation) within the public water wetland requires an approved public water works permit from MN DNR and must show avoidance and two alternatives to the proposal, as well as a statement of purpose and need for choosing that area and ensuring that the type of crossing chosen is the least environmentally impactful way to cross the public water body.

A portion of the proposed trail runs through a public ditch, which is also an altered watercourse, located in more detail in map number 54 within the EAW. If the Aitkin County Highway Department determines in writing that any proposed alteration (i.e., excavation or fill) within the ditch is under their ditch authority and that the activities conducted within it are agreeable for their purposes of ditch management, then no MN DNR public water works permit shall be required to be submitted for the ditch. However, if no affirmation from the Aitkin County Highway Department is presented, then any impacts to the ditch will require an approved permit from MN DNR prior to any proposed development work. A statement of purpose and need, and two alternatives, would be applicable at this location as well.

Phase 1A crosses 73 wetlands, 5 wetland ditches and 6 streams, and wetland delineations have not been completed for the entire project and will be required. Please clarify and describe if any streams, surface waters, or wetlands will be impacted as a result of Phase 1B.

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Cumulative potential effects should include estimates for wetland impacts and further discussion on avoidance and mitigation measures to be employed. Inclusion of a design typical diagram for wetland crossings would be helpful to demonstrate construction proposed for wetland crossings.

Additionally, a conservative approach to opening trails in the spring should be adopted as opening trails too early in spring can cause unwanted damage to the soils, roads, trails, and increase the risk of erosion into wetlands, ultimately causing resource damage and increasing maintenance costs.

Rare Features & Wildlife

Limited information is provided on plant communities and sensitive ecological resources (rare features) in item 14 (a), the document primarily refers to NHIS response. This information should be summarized and discuss native plant communities and explain any impacts to S1-S3 plant communities. The summary should also include quantity of impacts to high sites of biodiversity significance. Additionally, indicate if or how recommendations given will be implemented in the project. In addition, it appears that a phase 1 archeological survey is intended. Please provide the results of the phase 1 archeological survey, as this could impact routing.

Item 14b of the EAW reads, "A rare plant survey will be required for this project. Recommendations from the DNR based on the survey will be considered and followed, to the extent practical." As described in the NHIS Letters (attached) issued (June 7th 2024, March 26th, 2025). A rare plant survey is to be conducted for state-listed plant species in the project activity area. Survey results should be used so that the project is in compliance with Minnesota's Endangered Species Statute and associated Rules. Minnesota's Endangered Species Statute (Minnesota Statutes, section 84.0895) and associated Rules (Minnesota Rules, part 6212.1800 to 6212.2300 and 6134) prohibit the take of endangered or threatened plants or animals, including their parts or seeds, without a permit. To demonstrate avoidance, a qualified surveyor will need to determine if suitable habitat exists within the activity impact area and, if so, conduct a survey prior to any project activities. Surveys must be conducted by a qualified surveyor and follow the standards contained in the Rare Species Survey Process and Rare Plant Guidance. Please note that the survey needs to be conducted by an individual with demonstrated experience identifying Botrychium/Sceptridium species and needs to be conducted during the appropriate portion of the growing season, depending on the phenology of the species. Survey proposals should be submitted to Reports.NHIS@state.mn.us to initiating survey work. Please consult with the NH Review Team at Review.NHIS@state.mn.us if you have any questions regarding this process.

Item 14 (d) states: "Tree removal will be avoided during the NLEB inactive season (November 15 – March 31)." The November through March dates indicated are generally understood to be the dates where tree removal is encouraged to avoid northern long-eared bat (NLEB) roosting timeframes which is opposite of what is stated in the EAW. The Lake States Forest Management Bat Habitat Conservation Implementation Policy (HCP) does not cover roads and trails that are not on DNR lands unless they are

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temporary access routes associated with forest management that the DNR administers. Roads and trails that are built by third parties on DNR lands for purposes outside of supporting forestry operations or public recreational use, are not included under the Bat HCP (e.g., county road projects that cross DNR lands, using an easement or access route for a gravel lease).

We recognize that no known roost trees are located along the trail; however, there are northern long-eared bat and little brown myotis observations that directly overlap with the proposed trail. The metadata for these observations show pregnant females were captured along the trail route. Tree removal should be kept to a minimum during the active season (April 15 – October 15) and would be preferred entirely outside of the active season. Noise disturbance (anything greater than 85 decibels at a distance of 50 feet) should also be kept to a minimum from June 1 to July 31. This would protect bats, and would benefit other nongame species (e.g., breeding birds, reptiles, and amphibians). Coordination with the United States Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS) will be needed to achieve avoidance and ensure compliance with the federal endangered species laws.

Vernal pools are important landscape features that are vital for four-toed salamanders, and state threatened *Botrychium* and *Sceptridium* species are often associated with these types of habitats (mature northern hardwoods with interspersed vernal pools). These salamanders have been documented in this area of the state. Gravel trails inhibit movement for this species as they travel to and from vernal pools for nesting. Additionally, runoff from the trail construction and recreational traffic could enter the vernal pool, making it unsuitable for salamanders and other amphibians that are sensitive to changes in water quality/chemistry. Efforts should be made to identify and avoid vernal pools within the proposed trail corridor (at minimum of 50' no-impact buffer from vernal pool edge).

Next Steps

Currently, permitting challenges exist with the current information available for this project on the state forest lands and roads as proposed in the EAW. The proposed route requires more discussion to determine locations, feasibility, and how this project fits into the Solana State Forest Trail Planning effort. Additional information on the proposed route and additional route segment options are needed to determine the investment required to improve/maintain these roads and trails to the level needed to support increased use. We look forward to receiving further details on the additional route segment options and are available for discussions as they are developed

Thank you for the opportunity to review the **Northwoods Regional ATV Trail Phase 1A and 1B EAW**. Please contact our MN DNR Northeast Regional Environmental Assessment Ecologist, Jessica Parson, with any questions. Jessica can be reached at (218) 328-8826 or via email at: jessica.parson@state.mn.us.

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Jessica Parson

Sincerely,

Jessica Parson

Northeast Regional Environmental Assessment Ecologist, MN DNR

CC: Jill Townley Lisa Joyal Darrell Schindler Greg Root Clarissa Spicer



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June 7, 2024

Daniel McInnis

Widseth Smith and Nolting and Associates, Inc.

RE: Natural Heritage Review of the proposed Northwoods Regional Trail - Phase 1A

County	Township	Range	Section
Aitkin	44N	22W	6
Aitkin	45N	22W	19, 20, 21, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33
Aitkin	45N	23W	19, 20, 22, 23, 24, 25, 27, 28, 29, 30
Aitkin	45N	24W	19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 28, 29, 30
Aitkin	45N	25W	24, 25, 26, 32, 33, 34, 35

Dear Daniel McInnis,

For all correspondence regarding the Natural Heritage Review of this project please include the project ID MCE-2024-00378 in the email subject line.

As requested, the <u>Minnesota Natural Heritage Information System</u> has been reviewed to determine if the proposed project has the potential to impact any rare species or other significant natural features. Based on the project details provided with the request, the following rare features may be impacted by the proposed project:

Ecologically Significant Areas

The Minnesota Biological Survey (MBS) has identified several Sites of Biodiversity Significance within the project boundary. Sites of Biodiversity Significance have varying levels of native biodiversity and are ranked based on the relative significance of this biodiversity at a statewide level. Factors taken into account during the ranking process include the number of rare species documented within the site, the quality of the native plant communities in the site, the size of the site, and the context of the site within the landscape. The DNR recommends avoidance of MBS Sites of Biodiversity Significance ranked High or Outstanding. Please see your MCE-generated Conservation Planning Report for a comprehensive list of MBS Sites of Biodiversity Significance.

The proposed project crosses and is adjacent to multiple native plant communities. DNR native plant community types are given a Conservation Status Rank that reflects the relative rarity and endangerment of the community type in Minnesota. Conservation Status Ranks range from S1 (critically imperiled) to S5 (secure, common, widespread, and abundant). Native plant communities with a Conservation Status Rank of S1 through S3 are considered rare in the state. The DNR recommends avoidance of rare native plant communities. Please see your MCE-generated Conservation Planning Report for a comprehensive list of native plant communities in your proposed project area.

The DNR recommends that the project be designed to avoid impacts to these ecologically significant areas. Actions to avoid or minimize disturbance include, but are not limited to, the following recommendations:

- Minimize width of trail.
- As much as possible, operate within already-disturbed areas.
- Avoid MBS Sites and native plant communities ranked S1, S2, or S3.
- o Retain a buffer between proposed activities and the MBS Site.
- If working in an MBS Site:
 - Minimize vehicular disturbance in the MBS Site (allow only vehicles/equipment necessary for construction activities).
 - Do not park equipment or stockpile supplies in the MBS Site.
 - Do not place spoil in the MBS Site or other sensitive areas.
- If possible, conduct the work under frozen ground conditions.
- o Do not route trails through wet swales or depressions, or sensitive rock outcrop areas.
- Bridge all stream and wetland crossings.
- Trail maintenance plans should address erodible soils, especially in areas of steep topography.
- Use signage to encourage visitors to stay on designated trails.
- Use effective erosion prevention and sediment control measures.
- Inspect and clean equipment prior to operation and follow recommendations to <u>prevent</u> the spread of invasive species.
- Revegetate disturbed soil with <u>native species suitable to the local habitat</u> as soon after construction as possible.
- Use only weed-free mulches, topsoils, and seed mixes. Of particular concern are birdsfoot trefoil (*Lotus corniculatus*) and crown vetch (*Coronilla varia*), two invasive species that are sold commercially and are problematic in prairies and disturbed open areas.

Please reference the <u>Guidelines for Managing and Restoring Natural Plant Communities along Trails and Waterways</u> for additional information.

MBS Sites of Biodiversity Significance and DNR Native Plant Communities can be viewed using the Explore page in <u>Minnesota Conservation Explorer</u> or their GIS shapefiles can be downloaded from the <u>MN Geospatial Commons</u>. Please contact the <u>NH Review Team</u> if you need assistance accessing the data. Reference the <u>MBS Site Biodiversity Significance</u> and <u>Native Plant Community</u> websites for information on interpreting the data. To receive a list of MBS Sites of Biodiversity Significance and DNR Native Plant Communities in the vicinity of your project, create a <u>Conservation Planning Report</u> using the Explore Tab in <u>Minnesota Conservation Explorer</u>.

• If the Wetland Conservation Act (WCA) is applicable to this project, please note that native plant communities with a Conservation Status Rank of S1 through S3 or wetlands within High or Outstanding MBS Sites of Biodiversity Significance may qualify as Rare Natural Communities (RNC) under WCA. Minnesota Rules, part 8420.0515, subpart 3 states that a wetland replacement plan for activities that modify a RNC must be denied if the local government unit determines the proposed activities will permanently adversely affect the RNC. If the proposed project includes a wetland replacement plan under WCA, please contact your DNR Regional Ecologist for further evaluation. Please visit WCA Program Guidance and Information for additional information, including the Rare Natural Communities Technical Guidance.

State-listed Species

• <u>Blunt-lobed grapefern</u> (*Sceptridium oneidense*), <u>goblin fern</u> (*Botrychium mormo*), and <u>narrow triangle moonwort</u> (*Botrychium angustisegmentum*), all state-listed threatened plants, have been documented in the vicinity of the proposed project. Additionally, <u>St. Lawrence grapefern</u> (*Sceptridium rugulosum*), <u>least moonwort</u> (*Botrychium simplex*), and <u>pale moonwort</u> (*Botrychium pallidum*), all state-listed plant species of special concern, have been documented in the vicinity of the proposed project.

Minnesota's Endangered Species Statute (Minnesota Statutes, section 84.0895) and associated Rules (Minnesota Rules, part 6212.1800 to 6212.2300 and 6134) prohibit the take of endangered or threatened plants or animals, including their parts or seeds, without a permit. To demonstrate avoidance, a qualified surveyor will need to determine if suitable habitat exists within the activity impact area and, if so, conduct a survey prior to any project activities. Surveys must be conducted by a qualified surveyor and follow the standards contained in the Rare Species Survey Process and Rare Plant Guidance. Visit the Natural Heritage Review page for a list of certified surveyors and more information on this process. Project planning should take into account that any botanical survey needs to be conducted during the appropriate time of the year, which may be limited. Please consult with the NH Review Team at Review.NHIS@state.mn.us if you have any questions regarding this process.

- Northern long-eared bat (Myotis septentrionalis) and little brown myotis (Myotis lucifugus), both state-listed as species of special concern, have been documented in the vicinity of the proposed project. During the winter these species hibernate in caves and mines. During the active season (approximately April-November) they roost underneath bark, in cavities, or in crevices of both live and dead trees; and in human structures such as buildings and bridges. Activities that may impact these species include, but are not limited to, wind farm operation, any disturbance to hibernacula, and destruction/degradation of habitat. Tree removal can negatively impact bats by destroying roosting habitat, especially during the pup rearing season when females are forming maternity roosting colonies and the pups are not able to fly. To minimize impacts to these species, the DNR recommends that tree removal be avoided from June 1 through August 15.
- Please visit the <u>DNR Rare Species Guide</u> for more information on the habitat use of these species and recommended measures to avoid or minimize impacts.

Federally Protected Species

The northern long-eared bat is also federally listed as endangered. To ensure compliance with
federal law, please conduct a federal regulatory review using the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service's
online <u>Information for Planning and Consultation (IPaC) tool.</u> Please note that all projects,
regardless of whether there is a federal nexus, are subject to federal take prohibitions. The IPaC
review will determine if take is reasonably certain to occur and, if not, will generate an automated
letter. Please see <u>USFWS Northern Long-eared Bat</u> for additional information.

Environmental Review and Permitting

- Please include a copy of this letter and the MCE-generated Final Project Report in any state or local license or permit application. Please note that measures to avoid or minimize disturbance to the above rare features may be included as restrictions or conditions in any required permits or licenses.
- The Environmental Assessment Worksheet should address whether the proposed project has the potential to adversely affect the above rare features and, if so, it should identify specific measures that will be taken to avoid or minimize disturbance. Sufficient information should be provided so the DNR can determine whether a takings permit will be needed for any of the above protected species.

The Natural Heritage Information System (NHIS), a collection of databases that contains information about Minnesota's rare natural features, is maintained by the Division of Ecological and Water Resources, Department of Natural Resources. The NHIS is continually updated as new information becomes available, and is the most complete source of data on Minnesota's rare or otherwise significant species, native plant communities, and other natural features. However, the NHIS is not an exhaustive inventory and thus does not represent all of the occurrences of rare features within the state. Therefore,

ecologically significant features for which we have no records may exist within the project area. If additional information becomes available regarding rare features in the vicinity of the project, further review may be necessary.

For environmental review purposes, the results of this Natural Heritage Review are valid for one year; the results are only valid for the project location and project description provided with the request. If project details change or the project has not occurred within one year, please resubmit the project for review within one year of initiating project activities.

The Natural Heritage Review does not constitute project approval by the Department of Natural Resources. Instead, it identifies issues regarding known occurrences of rare features and potential impacts to these rare features. Visit the <u>Natural Heritage Review website</u> for additional information regarding this process, survey guidance, and other related information. For information on the environmental review process or other natural resource concerns, you may contact your <u>DNR Regional Environmental Assessment Ecologist</u>.

Thank you for consulting us on this matter and for your interest in preserving Minnesota's rare natural resources.

Sincerely,

Molly Barrett

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Cc: Jennie Skancke, Wetlands Program Coordinator



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March 26, 2025

Daniel McInnis

Widseth Smith and Nolting and Associates, Inc.

RE: Natural Heritage Review of the proposed Northwoods Regional Trail - Phases 1A & 1B,

County	Township	Range	Section
Aitkin	45N	22W	7, 8, 17, 18, 19
Aitkin	45N	23W	13, 19, 20, 23, 24, 25, 26, 29, 30
Aitkin	45N	24W	20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 26, 28, 29
Aitkin	45N	25W	25, 26, 33, 34, 35

Dear Daniel McInnis,

For all correspondence regarding the Natural Heritage Review of this project please include the project ID MCE-2024-01049 in the email subject line.

As requested, the <u>Minnesota Natural Heritage Information System</u> has been reviewed to determine if the proposed project has the potential to impact any rare species or other significant natural features. Based on the project details provided with the request, the following rare features may be impacted by the proposed project:

Ecologically Significant Areas

• The Minnesota Biological Survey (MBS) has identified Sites of Biodiversity Significance within the vicinity of the proposed project. Sites of Biodiversity Significance (MBS Sites) have varying levels of native biodiversity and are ranked based on the relative significance of this biodiversity at a statewide level. Factors taken into account during the ranking process include the number of rare species documented within the site, the quality of the native plant communities in the site, the size of the site, and the context of the site within the landscape. The DNR recommends avoidance of MBS Sites ranked High or Outstanding. A Conservation Planning Report, which includes a list of MBS Sites in the proposed project area, has been created and uploaded to the project page (2024-01049-CPR).

DNR Native Plant Communities (NPCs) have been documented within the vicinity of the proposed project. A native plant community is a group of native plants that interact with each other and with their environment in ways not greatly altered by modern human activity or by introduced organisms. Native plant communities are classified and described by considering vegetation, hydrology, landforms, soils, and natural disturbance regimes. DNR NPC types are given a Conservation Status Rank that reflects the

relative rarity and endangerment of the community type in Minnesota. Conservation Status Ranks range from S1 (*critically imperiled*) to S5 (*secure, common, widespread, and abundant*); NPCs with a Conservation Status Rank of S1 through S3 are considered rare in Minnesota. **The DNR recommends avoidance of rare NPCs (ranked S1-S3)**. A Conservation Planning Report, which includes a list of NPCs in the proposed project area, has been created and uploaded to the project page (2024-01049-CPR).

The DNR recommends that the project be designed to avoid impacts to these ecologically significant areas. Actions to avoid or minimize disturbance include, but are not limited to, the following recommendations:

- o Minimize width of trail.
- o As much as possible, operate within already-disturbed areas.
- o Avoid MBS Sites and rare NPCS (ranked S1-S3).
- Minimize vehicular disturbance in the MBS Site (allow only vehicles/equipment necessary for construction activities).
- Do not park equipment or stockpile supplies in the MBS Site.
- o Do not place spoil in the MBS Site or other sensitive areas.
- If possible, conduct the work under frozen ground conditions.
- o Do not route trails through wet swales or depressions, or sensitive rock outcrop areas.
- o Bridge all stream and wetland crossings.
- o Trail maintenance plans should address erodible soils, especially in areas of steep topography.
- Use signage to encourage visitors to stay on designated trails.
- Use effective erosion prevention and sediment control measures.
- Inspect and clean equipment prior to operation and follow recommendations to <u>prevent the</u>
 <u>spread of invasive species.</u>
- Revegetate disturbed soil with <u>native species suitable to the local habitat</u> as soon after construction as possible.
- Use only weed-free mulches, topsoils, and seed mixes. Of particular concern are birdsfoot trefoil (Lotus corniculatus) and crown vetch (Coronilla varia), two invasive species that are sold commercially and are problematic in prairies and disturbed open areas.
- Please reference the <u>Guidelines for Managing and Restoring Natural Plant Communities along</u>
 <u>Trails and Waterways</u> for additional information.

Ecologically Significant Areas can be viewed using the Explore page in Minnesota Conservation Explorer (MCE) or their GIS shapefiles can be downloaded from the MN Geospatial Commons. Reference the MBS Site Biodiversity Significance and Native Plant Community websites for information on interpreting the data. To receive a list of Ecologically Significant Areas in the vicinity of your project, create a Conservation Planning Report using the Explore page in MCE. A Conservation Planning Report has been created and uploaded to the project page for reference (2024-01049-CPR).

• If the Wetland Conservation Act (WCA) is applicable to this project, please note that native plant communities with a Conservation Status Rank of S1 through S3 or wetlands within *High* or *Outstanding* MBS Sites of Biodiversity Significance may qualify as Rare Natural Communities (RNC) under WCA. Minnesota Rules, part 8420.0515, subpart 3 states that a wetland replacement plan for activities that

modify a RNC must be denied if the local government unit determines the proposed activities will permanently adversely affect the RNC. If the proposed project includes a wetland replacement plan under WCA, please contact your <u>DNR Regional Ecologist</u> for further evaluation. Please visit <u>WCA</u>

<u>Program Guidance and Information</u> for additional information, including the <u>RNC Technical Guidance</u>.

State-listed Species

Blunt-lobed grapefern (Sceptridium oneidense), goblin fern (Botrychium mormo), and narrow triangle moonwort (Botrychium angustisegmentum), all state-listed threatened plants, have been documented in the vicinity of the proposed project. Habitat for these species includes mesic hardwood forest with loam soils. Minnesota's Endangered Species Statute (Minnesota Statutes, section 84.0895) and associated Rules (Minnesota Rules, part 6212.1800 to 6212.2300 and 6134) prohibit the take of endangered or threatened plants or animals, including their parts or seeds, without a permit. To demonstrate avoidance, a qualified surveyor will need to determine if suitable habitat exists within the activity impact area and, if so, conduct a survey prior to any project activities.

Surveys must be conducted by a qualified surveyor and follow the standards contained in the Rare Species Survey Process and Rare Plant Guidance. Visit the Natural Heritage Review page for a list of certified surveyors and more information on this process. Please note that the survey needs to be conducted by an individual with demonstrated experience identifying Botrychium/Sceptridium species and needs to be conducted during the appropriate portion of the growing season, depending on the phenology of the species. Survey proposals should be submitted to Reports.NHIS@state.mn.us prior to initiating survey work. Please consult with the NH Review Team at Review.NHIS@state.mn.us if you have any questions regarding this process.

- St. Lawrence grapefern (Sceptridium rugulosum) and least moonwort (Botrychium simplex), both statelisted plant species of special concern, have been documented in the vicinity of the proposed project. Habitat for St. Lawrence grapefern includes fire dependent forests with sandy loam soils. Habitat for least moonwort includes mesic hardwood forest and upland prairie. Minimize disturbance in these areas as much as feasible. Indirect impacts from surface runoff or the spread of invasive species, especially non-native earthworms, should be considered and minimized during project construction and operation. We strongly encourage inclusion of species of special concern during survey efforts as they are also rare and an important component of Minnesota's natural heritage.
- Northern long-eared bat (Myotis septentrionalis) and little brown myotis (Myotis lucifugus), both state-listed as species of special concern, have been documented in the vicinity of the proposed project. During the winter these species hibernate in caves and mines. During the active season (approximately April-November) they roost underneath bark, in cavities, or in crevices of both live and dead trees; and in human structures such as buildings and bridges. Activities that may impact these species include, but are not limited to, wind farm operation, any disturbance to hibernacula, and destruction/degradation of habitat. Tree removal can negatively impact bats by destroying roosting habitat, especially during the pup rearing season when females are forming maternity roosting colonies and the pups are not able to fly. To minimize impacts to these species, the DNR recommends that tree removal be avoided from June 1 through August 15.

 Please visit the <u>DNR Rare Species Guide</u> for more information on the habitat use of these species and recommended measures to avoid or minimize impacts.

Federally Protected Species

• The northern long-eared bat is also federally listed as endangered. To ensure compliance with federal law, please conduct a federal regulatory review using the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service's online Information for Planning and Consultation (IPaC) tool. Please note that all projects, regardless of whether there is a federal nexus, are subject to federal take prohibitions. The IPaC review will determine if take is reasonably certain to occur and, if not, will generate an automated letter. Please see <u>USFWS</u> Northern Long-eared Bat for additional information.

Environmental Review and Permitting

- The Environmental Assessment Worksheet should address whether the proposed project has the potential to adversely affect the above rare features and, if so, it should identify specific measures that will be taken to avoid or minimize disturbance. Sufficient information should be provided so the DNR can determine whether a permit to take will be needed for any of the above protected species.
- Please include a copy of this letter and the MCE-generated Final Project Report in any state or local license or permit application. Please note that measures to avoid or minimize disturbance to the above rare features may be included as restrictions or conditions in any required permits or licenses.

The Natural Heritage Information System (NHIS), a collection of databases that contains information about Minnesota's rare natural features, is maintained by the Division of Ecological and Water Resources, Department of Natural Resources. The NHIS is continually updated as new information becomes available and is the most complete source of data on Minnesota's native plant communities, rare species, and other rare features. However, the NHIS is not an exhaustive inventory and does not contain the locations of all rare features in the state. Therefore, ecologically significant features for which we have no records may exist within the project area. If additional information becomes available regarding rare features in the vicinity of the project, further review may be necessary.

For environmental review purposes, the results of this Natural Heritage Review are valid for one year; the results are only valid for the project location and project description provided with the request. If project details change or the project has not occurred within one year, please resubmit the project for review within one year of initiating project activities.

The Natural Heritage Review does not constitute project approval by the Department of Natural Resources. Instead, it identifies issues regarding known occurrences of rare features and potential impacts to these rare features. Visit Natural Heritage Review for additional information regarding this process, survey guidance, and other related information. For information on the environmental review process or other natural resource concerns, please contact your DNR Regional Environmental Assessment Ecologist.

Thank you for consulting us on this matter and for your interest in preserving Minnesota's rare natural resources.

Sincerely,

Molly Barrett

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April 14, 2025

VIA EMAIL

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RE: Northwoods Regional Trail Phase 1A and 1B – Environmental Assessment
Worksheet/Environmental Impact Statement/Alternative Urban Areawide Review

Dear: Andrew Carlstrom

Thank you for the opportunity to review and comment on the Environmental Assessment Worksheet (EAW) for the Northwoods Regional Trail Phase 1A and 1B project (Project) located in Aitkin County, Minnesota. The Project consists of Aitkin County proposing to construct an All-Terrain Vehicle (ATV) trail on 40.95 acres between Malmo and Millward Township in Aitkin County, Minnesota. The Project will be completed in two phases (1A and 1B), adding approximately 36.35 miles of trail to the existing Northwoods Regional ATV trail system. Regarding matters for which the Minnesota Pollution Control Agency (MPCA) has regulatory responsibility and other interests, the MPCA staff has the following comments for consideration.

Construction Stormwater

Since the Project will result in an increase of one acre of new impervious surface, a permanent stormwater treatment system is required under the National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System and State Discharge System (NPDES/SDS) Construction Stormwater Permit. Volume reduction practices, such as infiltration, must be considered first unless prohibited for reasons outlined in the permit.

We appreciate the opportunity to review this Project. Please be aware that this letter does not constitute approval by the MPCA of any or all elements of the Project for the purpose of pending or future permit actions by the MPCA.

Andrew Carlstrom Page 2 April 14, 2025

Ultimately, it is the responsibility of the Project Proposer to secure any required permits and to comply with any requisite permit conditions. If you have any questions concerning our review of this EAW, please contact me by email at chris.green@state.mn.us or by telephone at 507-476-4258.

Sincerely,

Chris Green
This document has been electronically signed.

Chris Green, Project Manager

Environmental Review Unit

Resource Management and Assistance Division

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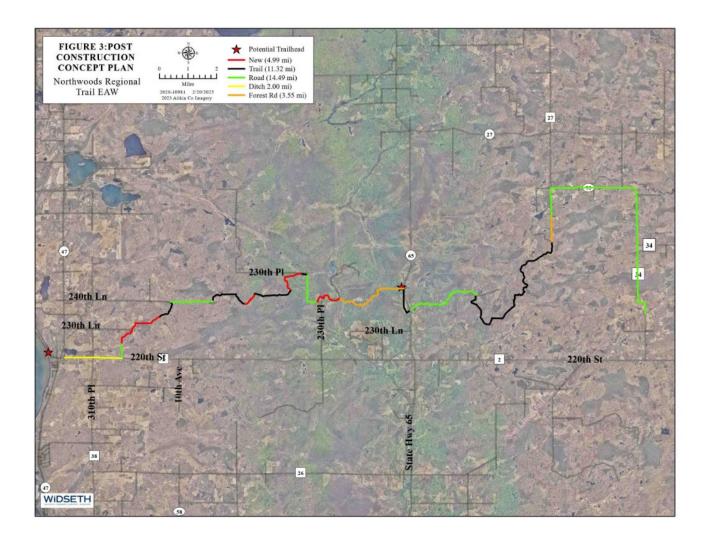
Environmental Assessment Worksheet (EAW) Available for Comment Northwoods Regional Trail Phase 1A & 1B Malmo, Jewett, White Pine and Millward Townships Aitkin County, Minnesota

Project Description: Aitkin County proposes to construct an All-Terrain Vehicle (ATV) trail on 40.95 acres between Malmo and Millward Township in Aitkin County, MN. The project will be completed in two phases (1A and 1B), adding approximately 36.35 miles of trail to the existing Northwoods Regional ATV trail system. Phase 1A runs from 220th Street in Malmo to State Highway 65 and Phase 1B runs from State Highway 65 to the Soo Line ATV trail. The project proposes 4.99 miles of new trail construction, with the remainder of the proposed trail following along existing trails, roadways, and ditches within the highway right-of-way (ROW).

The EAW is posted for review on the Aitkin County website (https://www.co.aitkin.mn.us/). Hard copies are available upon request. The 30-day public comment period begins on March 25, 2025, and ends on April 25, 2025.

Written comments may be submitted by mail or email and should be addressed to:

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ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT WORKSHEET

FOR

NORTHWOODS REGIONAL ATV TRAIL AITKIN COUNTY, MINNESOTA

Prepared for:

Aitkin County (Attn: Dennis Thompson) 502 Minnesota Ave N Aitkin, MN 56431

March 2025

Widseth Project No. 2020-10981

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December 2022 version

Environmental Assessment Worksheet

This most recent Environmental Assessment Worksheet (EAW) form and guidance documents are available at the Environmental Quality Board's website at: https://www.eqb.state.mn.us/ The EAW form provides information about a project that may have the potential for significant environmental effects. Guidance documents provide additional detail and links to resources for completing the EAW form.

Cumulative potential effects can either be addressed under each applicable EAW Item or can be addressed collectively under EAW Item 21.

Note to reviewers: Comments must be submitted to the RGU during the 30-day comment period following notice of the EAW in the *EQB Monitor*. Comments should address the accuracy and completeness of information, potential impacts that warrant further investigation and the need for an EIS.

1. Project title: Northwoods Regional Trail Phase 1A & 1B

Proposer: Aitkin County
 RGU: Aitkin County

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4. Reason for EAW Preparation: (check one)

Required:	Discretionary:
☐ EIS Scoping	☐ Citizen petition
	\square RGU discretion
	☐ Proposer initiate

If EAW or EIS is mandatory give EQB rule category subpart number(s) and name(s): Minnesota Rule 4410.4300 Subpart 27(B) – Public Waters, Public Water wetlands, and wetlands

5. Project Location:

- County: Aitkin
- City/Township: Malmo Twp, Jewett (Unorganized Territory), White Pine Twp, Millward Twp
- PLS Location for Phase 1A and 1B (¼, ¼, Section, Township, Range):

Phase 1A			
S ½	33	45N	25W
N 1/2	4	44N	25W
S 1/2	34	45N	25W

N ½	3	44N	25W
W 1/2	35	45N	25W
S 1/2	26	45N	25W
SW ¼ & NE ¼	25	45N	25W
SE 1/4	24	45N	24W
S 1/2	19	45N	24W
N ½	30	45N	24W
NW ¼	29	45N	24W
S 1/2	20	45N	24W
S 1/2	21	45N	24W
NW 1/4	28	45N	24W
S ½, NE ¼	22	45N	24W
W ½, S ½	23	45N	24W
S 1/2	24	45N	24W
S 1/2	19	45N	23W
NW ¼	30	45N	23W
N ½, SE 1/4	20	45N	23W
NE ¼	29	45N	23W

Phase 1B			
N ½	28	45N	23W
NW 1/4	27	45N	23W
S 1/2	22	45N	23W
S 1/2	23	45N	23W
NW ¼, SE ¼	26	45N	23W
NW 1/4	25	45N	23W
E 1/2	24	45N	23W
NW 1/4	19	45N	23W
SE 1/4	13	45N	23W
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NW 1/4	17	45N	22W
E 1/2	07	45N	22W
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E 1/2	06	45N	22W
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S 1/2	33	46N	22W
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W ½	02	45N	22W
W 1/2	11	45N	22W
E 1/2	10	45N	22W
E 1/2	15	45N	22W
W ½	14	45N	22W
W 1/2	23	45N	22W

E ½	22	45N	22W
NW 1/4	26	45N	22W

- Watershed (81 major watershed scale): Rum River (07010207), Snake River (09020309) Mississippi River Brainerd (07010104), Kettle River (07030003).
- GPS Coordinates (latitude, longitude): Phase 1A East End: 46.357783, -93.262358

West End: 46.333977, -93.514513

Phase 1B - East End: 46.355847, -93.090640

West End: 46.357803, -93.262109

Tax Parcel Numbers:

Phase 1A	Phase 1B
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^{*}Project area within parcel boundary follows along designated ROW, roadside ditch and/or existing roadway/trail.

At a minimum attach each of the following to the EAW:

- County map showing the general location of the project;
- U.S. Geological Survey 7.5 minute, 1:24,000 scale map indicating project boundaries (photocopy acceptable); and
- Site plans showing all significant project and natural features. Pre-construction site plan and post-construction site plan.
- List of data sources, models, and other resources (from the Item-by-Item Guidance: *Climate Adaptation and Resilience* or other) used for information about current Minnesota climate

trends and how climate change is anticipated to affect the general location of the project during the life of the project (as detailed below in item 7. Climate Adaptation and Resilience).

Figures

Figure 1 – County Map

Figure 2 – Site Location

Figure 3 – Post-Construction Concept Plan

Figure 4 – Future Trail Expansion

Figure 5 – Proposed Trail Expansion

Figure 6 – Floodplain Hazards

Figure 7 – Land Use & Cover

Figure 8 – Wellhead Protection Areas & Drinking Water Supply Management Areas

Figure 9 – MPCA "What's in My Neighborhood?" Site

Appendices

Appendix A – Aitkin County Economic Development Plan

Appendix B – Project Area Soils

Appendix C- Wetland Delineation Report and Approved Notice of Decision

Appendix D – Well Logs

Appendix E – NHIS Review Letter and Conservation Planning Report

Appendix F – IPac Report

Appendix G – GHG Emissions Calculations

Appendix H – Northwoods Regional Trail System ATV Traffic Counts

6. Project Description:

a. Provide the brief project summary to be published in the *EQB Monitor*, (approximately 50 words).

Aitkin County proposes to construct an All-Terrain Vehicle (ATV) trail on 40.95 acres between Malmo and Millward Township in Aitkin County, MN. The project will be completed in two phases (1A and 1B), adding approximately 36.35 miles of trail to the existing Northwoods Regional ATV trail system.

b. Give a complete description of the proposed project and related new construction, including infrastructure needs. If the project is an expansion include a description of the existing facility. Emphasize: 1) construction, operation methods and features that will cause physical manipulation of the environment or will produce wastes, 2) modifications to existing equipment or industrial processes, 3) significant demolition, removal or remodeling of existing structures, and 4) timing and duration of construction activities.

The project proposes to construct an ATV trail from Malmo, MN to connect with the Soo Line ATV trail, which is approximately 18 miles to the east (Figure 1). The project is split into two phases (1A and 1B). Phase 1A is the trail to the west of State Highway 65 and Phase 1B is the trail to the east of State Highway 65. The proposed ATV trail will follow along existing trails, roadways, and right-of-way (ROW) as much as possible. Construction may include trail grading,

fill, puncheons, boardwalks, excavation, and tree removal. The project is split into Phase 1A and Phase 1B due to the complexity of the area to the east of State Highway 65. The project proposer would like to begin construction on Phase 1A as soon as possible. The area to the east of State Highway 65 can be constructed later, if needed. One of the main goals of the project is to connect the cities near Lake Mille Lacs with the Soo Line Trail.

Phase 1A follows along 220th Street for 2.0 miles until reaching 300th Place where it turns north. Along the 2.0 mile stretch of road, the project area is 30' wide (15' on each side of centerline) to account for potential changes to the alignment during final design. The trail follows 300th Place, until it begins to go through undeveloped forest. The trail winds north through the forest for 2.8 miles, until it reaches 240th Lane. The trail follows 240th Lane until the road ends, and the trail begins going northeast through the forest. The trail winds through the forest until it reaches 230th Place. It follows 230th Place to the south and turns to the east. The trail cuts northeast through the forest, until it reaches Solana Forest Road. The trail stays on Solana Forest Road for 2.5 miles. It leaves the road on the west side of State Highway 65 and heads south. The trail then turns to the east, and crosses over State Highway 65.

Phase 1B begins on the east side of State Highway 65 at the East White Pine Truck Trail. The Trail follows East White Pine Truck Trail, until the road ends and the trail enters the woods to the northeast. The trail then merges with 150th Place. It follows 150th Place and Kestrel Ave for approximately 8.6 miles, until it connects with the Soo Line ATV Trail.

The project proposes 4.99 miles of new trail construction (see Figure 3). The project area for the new trail alignment is 20' wide to account for the construction limits. However, the trail once completed will consist of a 12' wide trail. Disturbance anticipated in these areas includes tree and brush removal, grubbing of stumps, topsoil removal and grading to form the trail surface and clearance. In wetland areas, wooden puncheons will be utilized to minimize the footprint of the wetland impacts.

The anticipated extent of disturbance along existing trails and forest road will be 12'. The table below specifies the Project Corridor width assigned to each trail segment type. Disturbance in these areas may include tree and brush removal/trimming, fill, and shaping of existing trail/forest road base or in-slope/out-slope of highway ditch to construct the 12-foot-wide trail.

Trail Segment Classification	Project Corridor Length (miles)	Project Corridor Width (feet)
New trail	4.99	20
Existing trail	11.32	12
Forest road	3.55	12
Ditch along Highway 2	2.00	30
County Road	14.49	0*

^{*}No disturbance or improvements are anticipated

Preconstruction conditions are shown in the Figures within Appendix C in relation to the wetland delineation that was completed.

c. Project magnitude:

Description	Number
Total project acreage	40.95
Linear project length (in miles)	36.35
Number and type of residential units	0.00
Residential building area (in square feet)	0.00
Commercial building area (in square feet)	0.00
Industrial building area (in square feet)	0.00
Institutional building area (in square feet)	0.00
Other uses – specify (in square feet)	0.00
Structure height(s)	0.00

d. Explain the project purpose; if the project will be carried out by a governmental unit, explain the need for the project and identify its beneficiaries.

The project is being carried out by Aitkin County, the local government unit. The project is needed to provide a safe and controlled environment for ATV use. Keeping riders on a specific path will minimize environmental impact, while adhering to path rules and regulations.

Local beneficiaries include Aitkin County, its residents, and local businesses. The project will also provide a regional benefit to the federally designated economic development district of Region Three, in Minnesota's Arrowhead region, which encompasses the counties of Aitkin, Carlton, Cook, Itasca, Koochiching, Lake, and St. Louis (all Census Tracts). Additionally, the project will benefit adjacent counties that are not part of Region Three, including Crow Wing, Pine, Kanabec, Mille Lacs, and Morrison counties. According to the Minnesota 2024 ATV Strategic Master Plan¹, recreational ATV use has a significant impact within the state of Minnesota. Spending associated with travel for the purposes of ATV recreation includes lodging, dining, gas, and groceries, which supports local economies, helps create jobs, and generates tax revenue. The surrounding area is already a popular destination for outdoor recreation, with several state parks, trails, and wildlife management areas. Lake Mille Lacs is Minnesota's second largest lake and attracts anglers interested in walleye fishing, as well as muskie, northern pike, and bass. The project will provide access to diverse terrain and scenery that would otherwise be inaccessible and increase recreational activity in the area by attracting tourists and generating revenue for local businesses in the area.

e.	Are future stages of this development including development on any other property planned or likely to happen? \boxtimes Yes \square No
	Two future phases (Phases 2 and 3) are included in the project concept plan (Figure 4) but have not advanced past preliminary planning. The alignment of those trail segments and the timing of construction have yet to be determined; therefore, the potential future phases are not included in this EAW. Environmental review for any future phases will be completed independently of this report.

f. Is this project a subsequent stage of an earlier project? \boxtimes Yes \square No If yes, briefly describe the past development, timeline and any past environmental review.

¹ ATV Strategic Master Plan

Preliminary environmental review was completed in 2022 for a previously proposed trail segment (Northwoods Regional Trail Phase 1), located along the east side of Lake Mille Lacs and following State Highway 47, northward from the Mille Lacs County border to Malmo (Figure 5). Items addressed included cultural resources, rare and endangered species, and wetlands. However, that segment of the trail did not move forward due to the proposed use of private land. Fortunately, there is greater local support for phases 1A and 1B because the proposed alignment primarily utilizes public land.

7. Climate Adaptation and Resilience:

a. Describe the climate trends in the general location of the project (see guidance: *Climate Adaptation and Resilience*) and how climate change is anticipated to affect that location during the life of the project.

According to the Fifth National Climate Assessment (NCA5), the main impact of climate change in the Midwest is an increase in precipitation, which can lead to increased flood risk, soil erosion and loss of cropland². The project area is primarily flat with little topographic change, so the soil erosion hazard is minimal. The project is also located near several large wetland complexes and Lake Mille Lacs, which are anticipated to help mitigate flood risks.

General projections in East Central Minnesota, which includes the counties of Aitkin, Crow Wing, Carlton, Pine, Mille Lacs, Kanabec, Isanti, Chisago, Anoka, Washington, Hennepin, and Ramsey, predict that the climate will be warmer and wetter at the end of the century as compared with the historical period of 1895 through 2023³. Between 1895 and 2023, the average annual temperature in East Central Minnesota has already increased by 3.5 °F. Most warming is concentrated during the winter months, with average winter temperatures increasing by 5.6 °F and average winter low temperatures increasing by 6.7 °F. Under an intermediate emissions scenario, there is expected to be an annual increase of 11 days that exceed 90°F during the summer months (June – August) and decrease of 21 days with a minimum temperature below 32°F during the winter months (December – February).

East Central Minnesota has experienced an average annual precipitation increase of 4.1 inches between 1895 and 2023. The region is expected to experience an average annual increase in temperature of 3.7-4.4 °F and annual average precipitation is projected to increase by up to 1.4 inches by mid-century (2040-2059). Precipitation is not expected to change uniformly throughout the year, but rather experience an increase in winter and spring, and a decrease in summertime precipitation averages.

The National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) National Centers for Environmental Information (NCEI) Climate at a Glance County Mapping tool lists the Aitkin County average temperature as 44.5°F from January 2024 - December 2024 This is a 5.9°F increase from the historic average of 38.6 °F from 1901-2000⁴. The average precipitation in Aitkin County was 27.17 inches from January 2024 – December 2024, which is an increase of

² Fifth National Climate Assessment

³ Minnesota Climate Projections (CMIP5) | UMN Climate Adaptation Partnership

⁴ Climate at a Glance | County Mapping | National Centers for Environmental Information (NCEI)

0.18 inches from the 1901-2000 mean of 26.99 inches. Since 1895, most of Minnesota's observed warming has been during the winter season (December – February), which has warmed 2-3 times faster than the summer season (June – August). From 1970 – 2021, average daily winter low temperatures have risen more than 15 times faster than average daily summer high temperatures.

This shows a trend of increasing temperatures that is likely to continue through the 21st century, bringing warmer winters, heavier rainfalls, increased likelihood of summer heat waves, and the potential for longer periods of drought. Other potential effects of climate change are increased risks of wildfires and severe weather. Severe weather includes high winds, hail, and tornados. However, no significant impacts to the project area are anticipated as a result of climate change.

b. For each Resource Category in the table below: Describe how the project's proposed activities and how the project's design will interact with those climate trends. Describe proposed adaptations to address the project effects identified.

Resource	Climate Considerations	Project Information	Adaptations
Project Design	The design of the project is not anticipated to impact climate.	Climate change risks and vulnerabilities identified include: • Minor greenhouse gas emissions associated with new construction and future ATV usage.	Emissions during construction will be temporary. The construction contractor will be encouraged to reduce emissions through practices such as limitations on idling equipment. Greenhouse gas emissions after construction is based on ATV usage. Aitkin County encourages trail etiquette, including proper maintenance of vehicle to maintain emission standards.
Land Use	According to the Floodplain Hazards map (Figure 6), the project area	Climate change risks and vulnerabilities identified include:	Minimization would be required for any impacts to wetlands;
	is in a zone of minimal flood risk. Although flood risk is anticipated to increase with greater	Impacts to wetlands and other low-lying areas reduces the ability of the land to retain and absorb	any unavoidable impacts would be mitigated. Tree clearing should be
	amounts and intensity of precipitation, increased	stormwater, leading to more intense runoff,	completed during the winter season

	flooding associated with climate change is not anticipated to be a significant concern within the project area.	 nutrient loading, and potential flooding. The area is mostly undeveloped forest. Tree clearing is proposed for certain trail segments. 	(Nov – March). Signage for ATV usage regarding safety and speed will be posted along the trail.
		 Increased ATV / vehicle use within the area may pose a threat to local wildlife and a possible fire risk. 	
Water Resources	Address in item 12.	Address in item 12.	Address in item 12.
Contamination/ Hazardous Materials/ Wastes	No hazardous waste is expected to be generated during construction and trail use.	No climate change risks and vulnerabilities identified.	N/A
Fish, wildlife, plant communities, and sensitive ecological resources (rare features)	Address in item 14.	Address in item 14.	Address in item 14.

8. Cover types: Estimate the acreage of the site with each of the following cover types before and after development:

Cover Types	Before	After*
	(acres)	(acres)
Wetlands and shallow lakes (< 2 meters deep)	7.60	7.60
Deep lakes (> 2 meters deep)	0.00	0.00
Wooded/forest	19.67	18.67
Rivers/streams	0.06	0.06
Brush/Grassland	1.61	1.61
Cropland	0.00	0.00
Livestock rangeland/pastureland	0.92	0.92
Lawn/landscaping (including mowed ROW)	8.77	8.77
Green infrastructure TOTAL (from table below*)	0.00	0.00
Impervious surface	2.21	3.21
Stormwater Pond (wet sedimentation basin)	0.00	0.00
Other (wetland ditches)	0.11	0.11
TOTAL	40.95	40.95

^{*}Numbers have been estimated and will be updated once civil plans are complete

Green Infrastructure*	Before (acres)	After (acres)
- 1. 6th (6.6th	, ,	•
Constructed infiltration systems (infiltration	0.00	0.00
basins/infiltration trenches/rainwater		
gardens/bioretention areas without		
underdrains/swales with impermeable check		
dams)		
Constructed tree trenches and tree boxes	0.00	0.00
Constructed wetlands	0.00	0.00
Constructed green roofs	0.00	0.00
Constructed permeable pavements	0.00	0.00
Other (describe)	0.00	0.00
TOTAL*	0.00	0.00

Trees	<u>Percent</u>	<u>Number</u>
Percent tree canopy removed or number of	1.89%	139*5
mature trees removed during development		
Number of new trees planted	0	0

^{*}Numbers have been estimated and will be updated once civil plans are complete

9. Permits and approvals required: List all known local, state and federal permits, approvals, certifications and financial assistance for the project. Include modifications of any existing permits, governmental review of plans and all direct and indirect forms of public financial assistance including bond guarantees, Tax Increment Financing and infrastructure. *All of these final decisions are prohibited until all appropriate environmental review has been completed. See Minnesota Rules, Chapter* **4410.3100**.

Unit of Government	Type of Application	Status
U.S Army Corps of Engineers (USACE)	Section 404 Permit	To be applied for
Minnesota Pollution Control Agency (MPCA)	National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System and State Disposal System (NPDES/SDS) Construction Stormwater Permit, including Stormwater Pollution Prevention Plan (SWPPP)	To be applied for
MPCA	Section 401 Water Quality Certification	To be obtained if needed

⁵ https://www.fs.usda.gov/nrs/pubs/rb/rb nrs104.pdf

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Minnesota Department of Natural Resources (DNR)	Public Waters Work Permit	To be applied for
DNR	ATV Grant-in-Aid Trail Application	To be applied for
Minnesota Board of Water & Soil Resources (BWSR)	Wetland Conservation Act (WCA) Notice of Decision (NOD)	Received
BWSR	WCA Replacement Plan	In progress
MN Department of Transportation	Right-of-Way Permit	In progress
Cities and Townships	Zoning or other approvals	In progress

Cumulative potential effects may be considered and addressed in response to individual EAW Item Nos. 10-20, or the RGU can address all cumulative potential effects in response to EAW Item No.22. If addressing cumulative effect under individual items, make sure to include information requested in EAW Item No. 21.

10. Land use:

a. Describe:

i. Existing land use of the site as well as areas adjacent to and near the site, including parks and open space, cemeteries, trails, prime or unique farmlands.

The site and adjacent areas consist primarily of state land, including the Solana State Forest. No Wildlife Management Areas are within the project area. The nearest State Wildlife Management Areas are the Jewett Wildlife Management Area, located approximately 2.5 miles north of the proposed trail (Phase 1A), and the Pliny Wildlife Management Area, located approximately 1.7 miles southwest of the proposed trail (Phase 1B). Several roads run through the project area and are a mix of forest roads, county road and state highways. No parks, cemeteries, or prime or unique farmland is identified within the project area, or directly adjacent to the project area.

ii. Plans. Describe planned land use as identified in comprehensive plan (if available) and any other applicable plan for land use, water, or resources management by a local, regional, state, or federal agency.

The project area is a mix of Shoreland, Farm Residential, and Public Land (see Figure 7). As stated in the current Aitkin County Comprehensive Land Use Plan⁶, one of the County's principal goals is the "development and maintenance of a system of trails for diverse types of outdoor recreation." This project would help to accomplish that goal, furthering tourism and thus expanding an important revenue stream created by the County's public land.

iii. Zoning, including special districts or overlays such as shoreland, floodplain, wild and scenic rivers, critical area, agricultural preserves, etc.

⁶ Comprehensive-Land-Use-Plan.pdf

The Floodplain Hazards map (Figure 6) shows that the project area crosses into a 100-year floodplain in Phase 1B. This floodplain is associated with Split Rock River. The trail will follow along an existing roadway in this area. The remainder of the project area travels through areas with low flood risk.

The project will go through shoreland district which is defined by Aitkin County as "land located within the following distances from Public Water: 1,000 feet from ordinary high-water level of a lake, pond or flowage; and 300 feet from a river or stream, or the landward extent of a floodplain designated by ordinance on a river or stream, whichever is greater." Phase 1A of the project will permanently impact an estimated 1.58 acres of wetland within the shoreland zone. Phase 1B will require an onsite delineation to determine permanent impacts. These impacts will be minimized to the furthest extent possible to avoid unnecessary impacts to the aquatic resources. There are no wild and scenic rivers, critical areas, or agricultural preserves within Aitkin County.

iv. If any critical facilities (i.e. facilities necessary for public health and safety, those storing hazardous materials, or those with housing occupants who may be insufficiently mobile) are proposed in floodplain areas and other areas identified as at risk for localized flooding, describe the risk potential considering changing precipitation and event intensity.

No critical facilities are proposed as part of this project.

b. Discuss the project's compatibility with nearby land uses, zoning, and plans listed in Item 9a above, concentrating on implications for environmental effects.

The project is consistent with the 2022-2027 Aitkin County Economic Development Plan (Appendix A) and nearby land uses. The land uses near the project area consist of undeveloped forest, grassland and wetland areas. One of the core values within the 2022-2027 Aitkin County Economic Development plan is to utilize the community resources within the county. Aitkin County is a rural county known for its outdoor recreational activities. The proposed ATV trail expands upon the availability of these rural areas and contributes to public involvement within these areas and recreation opportunities.

c. Identify measures incorporated into the proposed project to mitigate any potential incompatibility as discussed in Item 10b above and any risk potential.

The project is compatible with nearby land use, zoning, and plans.

11. Geology, soils and topography/land forms:

a. Geology - Describe the geology underlying the project area and identify and map any susceptible geologic features such as sinkholes, shallow limestone formations, unconfined/shallow aquifers, or karst conditions. Discuss any limitations of these features for the project and any effects the project could have on these features. Identify any project designs or mitigation measures to address effects to geologic features.

Surficial geology of the project area consists primarily of glacial sediments (outwash and Superior Lobe till), with some areas of recent alluvium. Minnesota Geological Survey publications indicate that bedrock consists of Paleoproterozoic metasedimentary and metavolcanic rocks, with depth to

bedrock ranging from approximately 55-130 feet. Well logs within 0.5 miles of the project area are listed in Table 1. They identify the Little Falls Formation, Denham Formation, McGrath Gneiss, and Mille Lacs Group as the first encountered bedrock units. These rock types are not prone to karst feature development. The Karst Feature Inventory developed by the DNR places the project area outside any karst zones. The project is not located in a Decorah Edge or Edge Support Area.

Table 1. Wells Within 0.5 Miles of the Project Area

Unique Well IDs			
131561	152711	154100	159086
171211	171235	177410	193409
328529	328536	340043	441223
453720	482343	482633	496312
517997	520670	523113	527025
552675	577898	587595	591054
594471	603470	607932	621661
623819	638811	638812	639884
647951	669623	686399	687961
690277	695007	702322	705062
710665	715499	716955	716969
716995	734225	738233	746344
751406	773600	775051	790942
836777			

b. Soils and topography - Describe the soils on the site, giving NRCS (SCS) classifications and descriptions, including limitations of soils. Describe topography, any special site conditions relating to erosion potential, soil stability or other soils limitations, such as steep slopes, highly permeable soils. Provide estimated volume and acreage of soil excavation and/or grading. Discuss impacts from project activities (distinguish between construction and operational activities) related to soils and topography. Identify measures during and after project construction to address soil limitations including stabilization, soil corrections or other measures. Erosion/sedimentation control related to stormwater runoff should be addressed in response to Item 12.b.ii.

Soils within the project area are predominantly silt loam and fine sandy loam, often stony, with some areas of muck and peat (Appendix B). The Mora-Ronneby complex (soil unit C9B) accounts for 26.2% of the project area (10.7 acres). The Milaca-Mora complex, 1 to 7 percent slopes, stony (C71C) is the next largest unit at 7.2 acres. These soils are generally described as poorly to moderately drained, loamy and sandy soils that formed in moraines and drumlins.

Topography within the project area is gently undulating, with most of the land surface sloping towards large wetland complexes. Surface elevation ranges from approximately 1220 feet above sea level on the west side of the project area, near the town of Malmo, to highs of approximately 1417 feet above sea level located within the Solana State Forest near the center of the project area. Slopes generally range from 0-12 percent.

Soil ratings for unpaved local roads and streets (used as a proxy for ATV trails) are characterized as not limited (4.8 acres), somewhat limited (22.6 acres) and very limited (13.6 acres). These ratings are primarily based on frost action, low strength, ponding, tendency of dust and depth to the saturated

zone. The contractor will be responsible for addressing any soil limitations and providing sound mitigation factors, if required.

Erosion potential across the project area ranges from slight (27.7 acres) to moderate (13.2 acres) with slope being the dominant factor influencing erodibility. Erosion and sediment control requirements as part of the construction stormwater permit requirements will be addressed in the SWPPP that will be developed.

Farmland classifications within the project area include farmland of statewide importance (soil units 732B, C9B, C71C, C72D, C73C; 22.2 total acres), prime farmland if drained (soil unit 685; 0.4 acres), and not prime farmland (soil units 186, 188B, 188C, 218, 268C, 533, 543, 544, 1984, C4A, C28A, C75A, C101A, C158, C211; 18.4 total acres).

NOTE: For silica sand projects, the EAW must include a hydrogeologic investigation assessing the
potential groundwater and surface water effects and geologic conditions that could create an
increased risk of potentially significant effects on groundwater and surface water. Descriptions of
water resources and potential effects from the project in EAW Item 12 must be consistent with the
geology, soils and topography/land forms and potential effects described in EAW Item 11.

This is not a silica sand project.

12. Water resources:

- a. Describe surface water and groundwater features on or near the site in a.i. and a.ii. below.
 - i. Surface water lakes, streams, wetlands, intermittent channels, and county/judicial ditches. Include any special designations such as public waters, shoreland classification and floodway/floodplain, trout stream/lake, wildlife lakes, migratory waterfowl feeding/resting lake, and outstanding resource value water. Include the presence of aquatic invasive species and the water quality impairments or special designations listed on the current MPCA 303d Impaired Waters List that are within 1 mile of the project. Include DNR Public Waters Inventory number(s), if any.

According to the DNR Public Waters Inventory and onsite wetland delineation, the public waters within Phase 1A consist of one unnamed stream (DNR Hydro ID: # 124455) and one unnamed waterbody (DNR Hydro ID: # 62119).

A wetland delineation was conducted for Phase 1A. Phase 1B was rerouted and a delineation is planned to be completed in spring of 2025. A total of 73 wetlands, 5 wetland ditches constructed through uplands and 6 streams were identified in Phase 1A. One of the streams and one wetland found onsite are public waters, as stated above. (DNR Hydro IDs: 124455 and 62119). The project area does not include trout streams, wildlife lakes, migratory waterfowl feeding/resting lakes or outstanding resource value waters. The majority of the runoff from the site currently flows into the streams, or to the onsite wetlands. A wetland delineation report and subsequent NOD and jurisdictional determination are included in Appendix C. Phase 1B within the wetland delineation report is no longer accurate. This section and Appendix C will be updated once the 2025 delineation of the Phase 1B reroute is complete.

The nearest impaired waters are Borden Creek (located within the project area and identified during the wetland delineation as Stream 001), Rice River (0.6 miles northeast of the project area), Snake River (0.75 miles southeast of the project area), and Split Rock River (located within Phase 1B of the project area).

ii. Groundwater – aquifers, springs, seeps. Include: 1) depth to groundwater; 2) if project is within a MDH wellhead protection area; 3) identification of any onsite and/or nearby wells, including unique numbers and well logs if available. If there are no wells known on site or nearby, explain the methodology used to determine this.

Water supply wells within 0.5 miles of the project area (see Table 1) are predominantly completed in buried Quaternary and/or bedrock aquifers at depths ranging from 25 to 225 feet below ground surface (BGS). Copies of these well logs are included in Appendix D. The Minnesota Hydrogeology Atlas estimates the depth to the surficial groundwater table in the project area as 0-10 feet. A static water level of 3 feet BGS within the water table aquifer was recorded in the well log for MN Unique Well No. 715499. The site is not located within any Wellhead Protection Areas or Drinking Water Supply Management Areas (Figure 8). The proposed land use changes will likely have little to no impact on water quality. The Aitkin County Water Management Plan⁷ is in place to reduce the risk from potential sources of contamination and other threats to the water supply.

The western portion of the project area is located within a sole source aquifer area⁸. However, there is not anticipated to be any groundwater disturbance or water usage; therefore, no impacts are expected.

b. Describe effects from project activities on water resources and measures to minimize or mitigate the effects in Item b.i. through Item b.iv. below.

i. Wastewater - For each of the following, describe the sources, quantities and composition of all sanitary, municipal/domestic and industrial wastewater produced or treated at the site.

No sanitary, municipal/domestic, or industrial wastewater will be produced or treated by the project.

If the wastewater discharge is to a publicly owned treatment facility, identify any
pretreatment measures and the ability of the facility to handle the added water and
waste loadings, including any effects on, or required expansion of, municipal
wastewater infrastructure.

Not applicable.

2) If the wastewater discharge is to a subsurface sewage treatment systems (SSTS), describe the system used, the design flow, and suitability of site conditions for such a system. If septic systems are part of the project, describe the availability of septage disposal options within the region to handle the ongoing amounts generated as a result of the project. Consider the effects of current Minnesota

⁷ <u>Aitkin County Water Plan – Aitkin County Soil and Water Conservation District</u>

⁸ Sole Source Aquifers

climate trends and anticipated changes in rainfall frequency, intensity and amount with this discussion.

Not applicable.

3) If the wastewater discharge is to surface water, identify the wastewater treatment methods and identify discharge points and proposed effluent limitations to mitigate impacts. Discuss any effects to surface or groundwater from wastewater discharges, taking into consideration how current Minnesota climate trends and anticipated climate change in the general location of the project may influence the effects.

Not applicable.

ii. Stormwater - Describe changes in surface hydrology resulting from change of land cover. Describe the routes and receiving water bodies for runoff from the project site (major downstream water bodies as well as the immediate receiving waters). Discuss environmental effects from stormwater discharges on receiving waters post construction including how the project will affect runoff volume, discharge rate and change in pollutants. Consider the effects of current Minnesota climate trends and anticipated changes in rainfall frequency, intensity and amount with this discussion. For projects requiring NPDES/SDS Construction Stormwater permit coverage, state the total number of acres that will be disturbed by the project and describe the SWPPP, including specific best management practices to address soil erosion and sedimentation during and after project construction. Discuss permanent stormwater management plans, including methods of achieving volume reduction to restore or maintain the natural hydrology of the site using green infrastructure practices or other stormwater management practices. Identify any receiving waters that have construction-related water impairments or are classified as special as defined in the Construction Stormwater permit. Describe additional requirements for special and/or impaired waters.

The project area is primarily forested. The natural vegetation slows runoff and promotes infiltration. However, erosion and sediment mobilization may increase due to increased motorized activity on gravel trails, both during construction and once construction is complete. This may affect stormwater quality and prevention measures will be implemented. A construction SWPPP will be developed for temporary erosion control and will focus on minimizing impacts to the stream and wetlands on the site. Post-construction stormwater runoff will be typical for a natural area. No additional mitigation measures are anticipated to be required.

iii. Water appropriation - Describe if the project proposes to appropriate surface or groundwater (including dewatering). Describe the source, quantity, duration, use and purpose of the water use and if a DNR water appropriation permit is required. Describe any well abandonment. If connecting to an existing municipal water supply, identify the wells to be used as a water source and any effects on, or required expansion of, municipal water infrastructure. Discuss environmental effects from water appropriation, including an assessment of the water resources available for appropriation. Discuss how the proposed water use is resilient in the event of changes in total precipitation, large precipitation

events, drought, increased temperatures, variable surface water flows and elevations, and longer growing seasons. Identify any measures to avoid, minimize, or mitigate environmental effects from the water appropriation. Describe contingency plans should the appropriation volume increase beyond infrastructure capacity or water supply for the project diminish in quantity or quality, such as reuse of water, connections with another water source, or emergency connections.

No water appropriation or well abandonments are proposed for this project. Dewatering is not anticipated.

iv. Surface Waters

a) Wetlands - Describe any anticipated physical effects or alterations to wetland features such as draining, filling, permanent inundation, dredging and vegetative removal. Discuss direct and indirect environmental effects from physical modification of wetlands, including the anticipated effects that any proposed wetland alterations may have to the host watershed, taking into consideration how current Minnesota climate trends and anticipated climate change in the general location of the project may influence the effects. Identify measures to avoid (e.g., available alternatives that were considered), minimize, or mitigate environmental effects to wetlands. Discuss whether any required compensatory wetland mitigation for unavoidable wetland impacts will occur in the same minor or major watershed and identify those probable locations.

Wetland impacts are anticipated as part of trail construction within the project area; however, the wetland delineation for Phase 1B must be completed to determine extent of wetland impacts. A wetland replacement plan will be completed to address these impacts. The project will follow sequencing which includes avoiding and minimizing wetland impacts wherever feasible. Mitigation for any impacts that cannot be avoided/minimized will be from a wetland bank located as close as possible to the same minor and major watershed as the area impacted.

b) Other surface waters- Describe any anticipated physical effects or alterations to surface water features (lakes, streams, ponds, intermittent channels, county/judicial ditches) such as draining, filling, permanent inundation, dredging, diking, stream diversion, impoundment, aquatic plant removal and riparian alteration. Discuss direct and indirect environmental effects from physical modification of water features, taking into consideration how current Minnesota climate trends and anticipated climate change in the general location of the project may influence the effects. Identify measures to avoid, minimize, or mitigate environmental effects to surface water features, including in-water Best Management Practices that are proposed to avoid or minimize turbidity/sedimentation while physically altering the water features. Discuss how the project will change the number or type of watercraft on any water body, including current and projected watercraft usage.

Six streams were delineated on site for Phase 1A and identified within the wetland delineation report as streams 1 through 6. They include approximately 0.06 acres within the project area. Temporary stream impacts are anticipated for this project. Civil plans will need to be completed to know the extent of temporary impacts. No stream

improvements within the development are required. During construction, the SWPPP must be followed and include protection for the streams.

No watercraft currently utilize these streams, and the project is not expected to impact projected watercraft usage.

13. Contamination/Hazardous Materials/Wastes:

a. Pre-project site conditions - Describe existing contamination or potential environmental hazards on or in close proximity to the project site such as soil or ground water contamination, abandoned dumps, closed landfills, existing or abandoned storage tanks, and hazardous liquid or gas pipelines. Discuss any potential environmental effects from pre-project site conditions that would be caused or exacerbated by project construction and operation. Identify measures to avoid, minimize or mitigate adverse effects from existing contamination or potential environmental hazards. Include development of a Contingency Plan or Response Action Plan.

The Minnesota Pollution Control Agency (MPCA) and Minnesota Department of Agriculture (MDA) "What's in My Neighborhood?" websites did not identify any spills, investigations, or clean-up sites within a one-mile radius of the project area (Figure 9). Two underground tank sites – Petry's by the Lake (TS0018988) and Malmo Market (TS0006279) – are located 0.20 miles and 0.11 miles, respectively, from the western end of the project area. Both of these tank sites are currently listed as active. There is an active Hazardous Waste site located at Westerlund Sawmill Inc. in Malmo (MND982646184) approximately 0.15 miles west of the project area.

Construction of the project is unlikely to exacerbate or cause any contamination hazards. No storage tanks, pipelines, or other bulk chemical use is planned as part of this project; therefore, a Contingency Plan or Response Action Plan is not necessary.

b. Project related generation/storage of solid wastes - Describe solid wastes generated/stored during construction and/or operation of the project. Indicate method of disposal. Discuss potential environmental effects from solid waste handling, storage and disposal. Identify measures to avoid, minimize or mitigate adverse effects from the generation/storage of solid waste including source reduction and recycling.

Solid waste produced during construction will be typical of trail construction and is likely to consist of materials such as gravel, wood, and minimal construction material packaging. The contractor will be responsible for removal and proper disposal of construction waste. Management of construction activities and waste will be discussed in the construction SWPPP.

Small amounts of solid waste (i.e., trash) could be left behind by trail users. Trail etiquette will be monitored and encouraged in the signage along the trail.

c. Project related use/storage of hazardous materials - Describe chemicals/hazardous materials used/stored during construction and/or operation of the project including method of storage. Indicate the number, location and size of any new above or below ground tanks to store petroleum or other materials. Indicate the number, location, size and age of existing tanks on the property that the project will use. Discuss potential environmental effects from accidental spill or release of hazardous materials. Identify measures to avoid, minimize or mitigate adverse effects from the use/storage of chemicals/hazardous materials including source reduction and

recycling. Include development of a spill prevention plan.

No hazardous waste is expected to be generated during project construction or trail use. No above or below ground tanks are proposed for the project.

d. Project related generation/storage of hazardous wastes - Describe hazardous wastes generated/stored during construction and/or operation of the project. Indicate method of disposal. Discuss potential environmental effects from hazardous waste handling, storage, and disposal. Identify measures to avoid, minimize or mitigate adverse effects from the generation/storage of hazardous waste including source reduction and recycling.

No hazardous waste is expected to be generated during project construction or trail use.

14. Fish, wildlife, plant communities, and sensitive ecological resources (rare features):

a. Describe fish and wildlife resources as well as habitats and vegetation on or in near the site.

The project area is located within the Mille Lacs Uplands ecoregion. Rolling till plains and drumlin fields are the dominant landforms. The depressions between drumlin ridges contain peatlands with shallow organic material. The drainage network is young and undeveloped, with extensive wetland areas present, as indicated by the wetland delineation completed for the project. Lake Mille Lacs, located west of the project area, is the largest lake in the area.

The project area consists mainly of road right-of-way, roadside ditch, dense forest, wetland complexes, and undeveloped land. The project area contains many resources and habitat for wildlife. The forested portion of the project area provides habitats for various species, including deer, squirrels, foxes, rabbits, and woodland birds. The streams and wetland basins within the project area provide habitats for aquatic species and waterfowl, such as various fish types, mussels, turtles, frogs, ducks, and geese.

Common dominant plant species in the project area include, but are not limited to, American hazelnut (*Corylus americana*), alder buckthorn (*Frangula alnus*), balsam poplar (*Populus balsamifera*), Baltic rush (*Juncus balticus*), bay-leaved willow (*Salix pentandra*), Canada goldenrod (*Solidago canadensis*), hybrid cattail (*Typha x glauca*), Jewelweed (*Impatiens capensis*), lake sedge (*Carex lacustris*), pointed broom sedge (*Carex scoparia*), common milkweed (*Asclepias syriaca*), nannyberry (*Viburnum lentago*), pussy willow (*Salix discolor*), quaking aspen (*Populus tremuloides*), reed canary grass (*Phalaris arundinacea*), sensitive fern (*Onoclea sensibilis*), smooth brome (*Bromus inermis*), and timothy grass (*Phleum pratense*).

The construction of the proposed trail is expected to have minimal impact aquatic species, wildlife communities, habitats, or sensitive ecological resources due to its narrow corridor and construction mitigation requirements within these areas. The use of the proposed trail upon completion is also expected to have minimal impact to these resources. ATV users will be sporadic and confined to the constructed trail.

b.	Describe rare features such as	s state-listed (endangered, threatened or special conc	ern) species,
	native plant communities, Min	nnesota Biological Survey Sites of Biodiversity Significa	ince, and othe
	sensitive ecological resources	on or within close proximity to the site. Provide the li	cense
	agreement number (LA-	and/or correspondence number (MCF) from which

the data were obtained and attach the Natural Heritage Review letter from the DNR. Indicate if any additional habitat or species survey work has been conducted within the site and describe the results.

Review of publicly available geospatial data from the Minnesota Conservation Explorer revealed that the project area is within or immediately adjacent to several rare features, including Minnesota Biological Survey (MBS) Sites of Biodiversity Significance, DNR Native Plant Communities, and Important Bird Areas. A review of the Natural Heritage Information System (NHIS) was requested on April 17, 2024, for the original project area. NHIS results for MBS Sites of Biodiversity Significance and DNR Native Plant Community areas within the original project area are described below (Appendix E). With the change of the project area in Phase 1B, a modified NHIS request was sent on March 6, 2025. Automated results under correspondence number MCE 2024-01049 indicate further review is needed. Once received, recommendations put forth by the DNR in the updated NHIS letter will be adhered to.

Sites of biodiversity Significance have varying levels of native biodiversity and are ranked based on the relative significance of this biodiversity at a statewide level. Sites ranked as High contain very good quality occurrence of the rarest species, high quality examples of the rare native plant communities, and/or important functional landscapes. Sites ranked as Moderate contain occurrences of rare species and/or moderately disturbed native plant communities, and or/landscapes that have a strong potential for recovery. The following MBS Sites of Biodiversity Significance are within the project area:

MBS Site Name	Biodiversity Significance	Status
Lee 31	Moderate	final
Malmo 1	High	final
Malmo 23	Moderate	final
Solana Northeast	Moderate	final

A comprehensive list of native plant communities in the project area are found in the Conservation Planning Report that is included in Appendix E.

The DNR recommends the following actions to avoid or minimize disturbance:

- Minimize width of trail.
- As much as possible, operate within already-disturbed areas.
- Avoid MBS Sites and native plant communities ranked S1, S2, or S3.
- Retain a buffer between proposed activities and the MBS Site.
- If working in an MBS Site:
 - Minimize vehicular disturbance in the MBS Site (allow only vehicles/equipment necessary for construction activities).
 - Do not park equipment or stockpile supplies in the MBS Site.
 - Do not place spoil in the MBS Site or other sensitive areas.
- If possible, conduct the work under frozen ground conditions.
- Do not route trails through wet swales or depressions, or sensitive rock outcrop areas.
- Bridge all stream and wetland crossings.

- Trail maintenance plans should address erodible soils, especially in areas of steep topography.
- Use signage to encourage visitors to stay on designated trails.
- Use effective erosion prevention and sediment control measures.
- Inspect and clean equipment prior to operation and follow recommendations to prevent the spread of invasive species.
- Revegetate disturbed soil with native species suitable to the local habitat as soon after construction as possible.
- Use only weed-free mulches, topsoils, and seed mixes. Of particular concern are birdsfoot trefoil (*Lotus corniculatus*) and crown vetch (*Coronilla caria*), two invasive species that are sold commercially and are problematic in prairies and disturbed open areas.

Blunt-lobed grapefern (*sceptridium oneidense*), goblin fern (*Botrychium mormo*), and narrow triangle moonwort (*Botrychium angustisegmentum*) are all state-listed threatened plants have been documented in the vicinity of the proposed project. Additionally, St. Lawrence grapefern (*Sceptridium rugulosum*), least moonwort (*Botrychium simplex*), and pale moonwort (*Botrychium pallidum*) all state-listed plant species of special concern, have also been documented in the vicinity of the proposed project. A rare plant survey will be required for this project. Recommendations from the DNR based on the survey will be considered and followed, to the extent practical.

A review of the United States Fish and Wildlife (USFWS) Information for Planning and Consultation (IPaC) database identified the following federally protected species (Appendix F):

Mammals

- Canada Lynx (Lynx canadensis) Threatened
- Gray Wolf (Canis Lupus) Threatened
- Northern Long-eared bat (Myotis septentrionalis) Endangered

Insects

- Monarch butterfly (*Danaus plexippus*) – Proposed Threatened

Birds

- Whooping Crane (*Crus americana*) – Experimental Population, non-essential

The Minnesota DNR maintains a list of townships that contain documented Northern Long-eared Bat (NLEB) maternity roost trees and/or hibernacula (e.g., natural caves, mines)⁹. There are several identified NLEB roost trees or hibernacula located within Aitkin County; however, none have been identified within the project area. Tree removal can negatively impact bats, particularly immature pups that cannot yet fly, by destroying roosting habitat. To minimize potential impacts, the DNR recommends that tree removal be avoided during the pup rearing season (June and July). If tree removal is required, the project proposer will attempt to avoid removing trees during this time.

c. Discuss how the identified fish, wildlife, plant communities, rare features and ecosystems may be affected by the project including how current Minnesota climate trends and anticipated climate change in the general location of the project may influence the effects. Include a discussion on introduction and spread of invasive species from the project construction and operation. Separately

⁹ https://files.dnr.state.mn.us/eco/ereview/minnesota nleb township list and map.pdf

discuss effects to known threatened and endangered species.

The project is not anticipated to negatively impact any of the threatened/endangered species, rare features, or ecosystems identified above. Determinations of "may affect, not likely to adversely affect" for the Canada Lynx and Gray Wolf and "no effect" for the Monarch Butterfly and Whooping Crane were obtained through the IPaC system. Temporary impacts during construction, including noise and human activity, are not expected to adversely affect wildlife in the vicinity of the project area.

The 2019 Minnesota Board of Soil and Water Resources (BWSR) Invasive Species Plan¹⁰ provides guidance for staff and contractors to prevent the spread of invasive species. Invasive species are defined as any species that are not native to Minnesota and cause economic or environmental harm or harm human health. Measures to prevent invasive species from entering into or spreading within a project site include cleaning equipment and clothing prior to arriving at the project site and when finished working in infested areas. Contractors should also work in areas without invasive species infestations before moving to infested areas. Any mulch, soil, gravel, etc. that is used should be invasive species-free or have a very low likelihood of having invasive species. Soil, dredge material, and raw wood that may harbor invasive species should not be moved from infested sites.

d. Identify measures that will be taken to avoid, minimize, or mitigate the adverse effects to fish, wildlife, plant communities, ecosystems, and sensitive ecological resources.

Tree removal will be avoided during the NLEB inactive season (November 15 – March 31). A wetland replacement plan will be completed for any unavoidable wetland impacts. Wetland credits will be purchased to replace impacted wetlands based on square footage and wetland type.

15. Historic properties:

Describe any historic structures, archeological sites, and/or traditional cultural properties on or in close proximity to the site. Include: 1) historic designations, 2) known artifact areas, and 3) architectural features. Attach letter received from the State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO). Discuss any anticipated effects to historic properties during project construction and operation. Identify measures that will be taken to avoid, minimize, or mitigate adverse effects to historic properties.

A Phase 1 Archaeological Survey is required for this project and will be completed in 2025. The project proposer will follow the guidelines put forth by the SHPO, once the results have been submitted.

16. Visual:

Describe any scenic views or vistas on or near the project site. Describe any project related visual effects such as vapor plumes or glare from intense lights. Discuss the potential visual effects from the project. Identify any measures to avoid, minimize, or mitigate visual effects.

A portion of the project site is within the Solana State Forest. Scenic views may be found along the trail; however, the proposed ATV trail is consistent with other established land uses in the area, and therefore will not create a significant change in visual aesthetics. Minimization of disturbance to the existing

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¹⁰ Invasive Species Plan

streams and wetlands will be utilized to maintain and improve the visual effects of the site. No additional mitigation measures are anticipated to be required.

17. Air:

a. Stationary source emissions - Describe the type, sources, quantities and compositions of any emissions from stationary sources such as boilers or exhaust stacks. Include any hazardous air pollutants, criteria pollutants. Discuss effects to air quality including any sensitive receptors, human health or applicable regulatory criteria. Include a discussion of any methods used assess the project's effect on air quality and the results of that assessment. Identify pollution control equipment and other measures that will be taken to avoid, minimize, or mitigate adverse effects from stationary source emissions.

No stationary source emissions are anticipated as part of this project.

b. Vehicle emissions - Describe the effect of the project's traffic generation on air emissions. Discuss the project's vehicle-related emissions effect on air quality. Identify measures (e.g., traffic operational improvements, diesel idling minimization plan) that will be taken to minimize or mitigate vehicle-related emissions.

A temporary increase in traffic, and therefore vehicle emissions, is anticipated to occur during construction of the project. Equipment necessary to complete construction is expected to include a grader, excavator, skid loader, compactor, and roller. Emissions from construction equipment can include nitrogen oxides (NO_x), hydrocarbons (HC), carbon monoxide (CO), and carbon dioxide (NO_x). There is also expected to be an increase in traffic from passenger vehicles traveling to and from the work site for construction and inspection purposes. However, the emissions resulting from these activities will cease upon conclusion of construction activities.

No significant long-term traffic impacts due to ATV trail operations are anticipated. The proposed trail will intermittently follow existing roads, including 220th street, 300th Place, 230th Lane, 240th Lane, 230th Place, Solana State Forest Road, E White Pine Truck Trail, 150th Place and Kestrel Avenue. These roads experience low daily traffic and are primarily utilized by residents. The town of Malmo may experience minor increases in traffic as ATV trail users navigate to the area.

During construction, the contractor will be encouraged to reduce emissions through practices such as limitations on idling equipment and efficient work management. After completion of construction, no further mitigation measures are proposed.

c. Dust and odors - Describe sources, characteristics, duration, quantities, and intensity of dust and odors generated during project construction and operation. (Fugitive dust may be discussed under item 17a). Discuss the effect of dust and odors in the vicinity of the project including nearby sensitive receptors and quality of life. Identify measures that will be taken to minimize or mitigate the effects of dust and odors.

Minor dust generation during grading and construction activities is expected. Following construction, dust will be generated by ATVs driving along the trail. Without mitigation, the intensity of the dust before and after construction would be minor to moderate, depending on soil moisture, traffic amount, and wind conditions. Nearby sensitive receptors include

residential properties near the trail section along 220th Street and Kestrel Avenue. No hospitals, daycare facilities, elderly housing, or convalescent facilities were identified nearby. The surrounding area is mainly undeveloped aside from a few residential structures at the western end of the trail. Mitigation measures during construction to minimize the amount of dust will include wetting of roadways/gravel areas during construction. The SWPPP will address fugitive dust and soil protection issues. Driving speeds within the project area will be kept below 30 miles per hour during construction along new and existing ATV trails. Speed restrictions are not anticipated to be necessary in areas of the project that follow along existing paved roads where no construction related soil disturbance is expected. No significant odors are expected during or after construction. No additional mitigation measures are anticipated.

18. Greenhouse Gas (GHG) Emissions/Carbon Footprint

a. GHG Quantification: For all proposed projects, provide quantification and discussion of project GHG emissions. Include additional rows in the tables as necessary to provide project-specific emission sources. Describe the methods used to quantify emissions. If calculation methods are not readily available to quantify GHG emissions for a source, describe the process used to come to that conclusion and any GHG emission sources not included in the total calculation.

Construction Emissions:

Gas- and diesel-powered equipment will be used during the construction of the ATV trail and will generate GHG emissions. Gases emitted from these sources include carbon dioxide (CO_2), methane (CH_4), and nitrous oxide (N_2O). Construction is anticipated to begin in Spring of 2026 and last approximately six months. Gallons of fuel to be used during construction have been estimated for Table 2 found below. Table 1 includes a summary of the potential GHG emissions for the project, reported in CO_2 -equivalents (CO_2e) by multiplying nominal estimated emissions of each GHG by its global warming potential (GWP) using the US EPA's Simplified GHG Emissions Calculator (SGEC). Supporting calculation tables are included in Appendix G.

The following assumptions were made in estimating the GHG emissions from the project:

- Traffic emissions are based on the anticipated number of average daily trips (see Section 20 below) for ATVs within the newly constructed trail.
- ATV users will travel an average of 20 miles per trip.
- The trail will be utilized by 2,100 ATVs per month or 70 riders per day (see section 20).
- The riding season is five months, from May to October.
- The average fuel economy for ATVs is 20 miles per gallon.
- Construction equipment will include 6 on-road vehicles (haul trucks, commuter vehicles) and 7 off-road earthmoving equipment (excavators, loaders, skid steers, etc.) driving approximately 10 miles per day over 1 construction season of 120 working days each.
- Emissions associated with land-use change from woodland and wetlands to ATV trail
 consist of on-site CO₂, CH₄, and N₂O emissions/removals from drained inland organic
 soils and off-site CO₂ emissions via waterborne carbon losses from the soil. Emissions
 are assumed to persist as long as the soil remains drained.
- Project lifetime is conservatively 50 years.

Currently, the project area is primarily woodland and unpaved trail, and therefore produces a

minimal amount of GHG emissions (0.0 tons/year assumed for baseline condition). Estimated GHG emissions during construction of the trail total 26.8 tons CO₂e per year. The estimated post-construction GHG emissions for the project total 97.1 tons CO₂e per year.

Table 2 – Greenhouse Gas Emissions Summary								
Construction	on Emissions							
Scope	Type of Emission	Emission Sub-type		Project-related CO₂e Emissions (tons/year)		Calculation method(s)		
Scope 1	Combustion	Mobile Equipment (on-road & off-road)		26.8		SGEC Tool		
TOTAL				26.8				
Operationa	l Emissions	<u> </u>						
Scope	Type of Emission	Emission Sub- Type	Existing CO ₂ e Emissions (tons/year)	related CO₂e Emissions	Total CO₂e Emissio (tons/year)	ns Calculation method(s)		
Scope 1	Combustion	Mobile Equipment (ATV usage)	0	97.1	97.1	SGEC Tool		
TOTAL			0	97.1	97.1			

b. GHG Assessment

i. Describe any mitigation considered to reduce the project's GHG emissions.

During construction, the contractor will be encouraged to reduce emissions through practices such as limitations on idling equipment and efficient work management. Trail etiquette and stewardship will be encouraged, including vehicle maintenance to maintain emission standards. No further mitigation is proposed for emissions.

ii. Describe and quantify reductions from selected mitigation, if proposed to reduce the project's GHG emissions. Explain why the selected mitigation was preferred.

N/A

iii. Quantify the proposed projects predicted net lifetime GHG emissions (total tons/#of years) and how those predicted emissions may affect achievement of the Minnesota Next Generation Energy Act goals and/or other more stringent state or local GHG reduction goals.

Using the figures outlined above, total GHG emissions over the 50-year lifetime of the project are estimated at 4,881.8 tons CO_2e and are primarily attributed to ATV usage. As newer and more gas-efficient vehicles are introduced to trails, emissions may reduce over time. Current Next Generation Energy Act goals are to reduce GHG emissions statewide to 30% below 2005 levels by 2025 and 80% below 2005 levels by 2050. In 2023, the state Legislature updated these goals to reflect the state's Climate Action Framework. Minnesota's current goals are to reduce greenhouse gas emissions 50% by 2030 from a 2005 baseline and achieve net-zero emissions by 2050. As of January 2025, Minnesota is on

track to meet these goals. Overall, the project is not anticipated to negatively affect Minnesota's GHG reduction goals.

19. Noise

Describe sources, characteristics, duration, quantities, and intensity of noise generated during project construction and operation. Discuss the effect of noise in the vicinity of the project including 1) existing noise levels/sources in the area, 2) nearby sensitive receptors, 3) conformance to state noise standards, and 4) quality of life. Identify measures that will be taken to minimize or mitigate the effects of noise.

During construction, noise source would be typical of road or trail project construction. This would include skid steers, small excavators, or similar machinery. Construction noise would be temporary and limited to daytime hours.

After construction, noise generated by ATVs is regulated by MN Rule 6102.0040, Subp. 4.B, which restricts noise emission from ATVs "so that overall noise emission does not exceed a sound level limitation of not more than 99 decibels."

Nearby receptors include residential properties within and around the project area. According to the National Nuclear Data Center, examples of noise sensitive receptors include:

"footpaths and other walking routes; cycling routes including rural roads; bird watching areas; areas used for recreation/amenity; dog walking routes; holiday lets; shops and cafés; visitor attractions and public amenity space/play areas. Both temporary and permanent residential dwellings and gardens, as well as workplaces, schools and public buildings will also be sensitive receptor locations."

The nearest sensitive receptors are the residential properties located along 220th Street in the town of Malmo, MN, which is west of the project area. The majority of the project area falls under a higher noise area classification (NAC 4) due to being within undeveloped land, according to MPCA classifications obtained from A Guide to Noise Control in Minnesota¹¹. There are no noise standards for NAC 4 areas. No additional mitigation measures should be required.

20. Transportation

a. Describe traffic-related aspects of project construction and operation. Include: 1) existing and proposed additional parking spaces, 2) estimated total average daily traffic generated, 3) estimated maximum peak hour traffic generated and time of occurrence, 4) indicate source of trip generation rates used in the estimates, and 5) availability of transit and/or other alternative transportation modes.

Currently the project area consists of 4.99 miles of undeveloped forest areas, 11.32 miles of existing ATV trails, 14.49 miles of roadway, 2.00 miles of road ditch, and 3.55 miles of forest roads. Little to no traffic is currently generated or uses most of the areas.

¹¹ A Guide to Noise Control in Minnesota

The project is estimated to be used by 2,100 ATVs per month (70 ATVs per day), based on the average historic use of other ATV trails within Aitkin County (Appendix H). To haul these ATVs, an estimated 25 to 30 cars per day will need to travel to the project area. Cars are anticipated to be dispersed between the proposed trailhead and surrounding towns. Peak traffic generated by this project is anticipated to be in the morning with citizens arriving at the trailhead and in the afternoon when they depart for the day.

No other transportation methods are available to bring citizens to the trailheads.

b. Discuss the effect on traffic congestion on affected roads and describe any traffic improvements necessary. The analysis must discuss the project's impact on the regional transportation system. If the peak hour traffic generated exceeds 250 vehicles or the total daily trips exceeds 2,500, a traffic impact study must be prepared as part of the EAW. Use the format and procedures described in the Minnesota Department of Transportation's Access Management Manual, Chapter 5 (available at: http://www.dot.state.mn.us/accessmanagement/resources.html) or a similar local guidance.

The completed project will have eight roadway connections and one trailhead.

c. Identify measures that will be taken to minimize or mitigate project related transportation effects.

Some project-related transportation effects are anticipated but are expected to be minimal. Mitigation practices will be utilized if required. The three trailhead connections are anticipated to disseminate the traffic flow and spread out the ATV traffic.

- **21. Cumulative potential effects:** (Preparers can leave this item blank if cumulative potential effects are addressed under the applicable EAW Items)
 - a. Describe the geographic scales and timeframes of the project related environmental effects that could combine with other environmental effects resulting in cumulative potential effects.

The geographic scales of the environmental effects would remain in close proximity to the project area. The timeframe for these potential effects would be based on trail use over time. The trail is expected to be of use for the next 30 to 50 years, if utilized and maintained. Environmental effects related to construction would be limited to one construction season and periodic maintenance, as needed.

Potential environmental effects from this project that could combine with the environmental effects of other foreseeable projects include increased traffic, noise generation, erosion, and invasive species introduction. Routine use of the proposed trail, and the potential expansions to the trail, would increase traffic levels and noise generation around the general area. Invasive species may be introduced and spread with the expected ATV user increase as the trail becomes longer and more accessible to surrounding communities. This would also contribute to erosion as land use throughout the area changes and is developed.

b. Describe any reasonably foreseeable future projects (for which a basis of expectation has been laid) that may interact with environmental effects of the proposed project within the geographic scales and timeframes identified above.

Future phases of the trail development (Phases 2 and 3) are likely to have similar environmental effects as the current project due to similar land uses, project goals, and construction methods. Effects may include, but are not limited to, wetland and stream impacts, further GHG emissions, tree clearing, traffic delays and effects of historical properties or rare ecological resources.

Phases 2 and 3 have no confirmed alignment but would build off the current project area and stay within southern Aitkin County. Construction details and timing for these phases have not been determined; therefore, cumulative effects cannot be quantified at this time. Environmental review for future phases will be completed independently of this report.

c. Discuss the nature of the cumulative potential effects and summarize any other available information relevant to determining whether there is potential for significant environmental effects due to these cumulative effects.

Traffic near the proposed project and other foreseeable projects may temporarily increase during construction. There may be temporary and localized parking demand where future segments share connection with towns, amenities, and points of interest. With trail development, these traffic effects would remain over the course of the project's lifetime due to growing use of the area and may increase with future trail segments or construction projects throughout the area. Seasonal peaks are expected and may pertain to summer holidays or organized ATV events.

Cumulative invasive species effects are possible during construction and post-construction trail use. Foreseeable trail expansions would add possible infestation sources similar to the proposed project. Any invasive species introduced or spread along the proposed trail could accumulate as the trail is expanded or ATV riders increase. Growing ATV use would lead to ongoing invasive species concern and would require routine monitoring and possible management. Trail managers should work with partners in the area such as the DNR Trail Ambassador program to monitor and reduce the spread of invasive species within the proposed project. MN DNR OHV Regulations (effective July 2024 – June 30, 2025) regulate the usage of Off-highway vehicles (OHV), all-terrain vehicles (ATV), off-highway motorcycles (OHM) and off-road vehicles (ORV). This document states several ways invasive species should be managed by riders of ATVs, OHMs, or ORVs, including starting the day with clean shoes, gear, and vehicles by using a handheld brush to ensure there aren't any seeds or plant parts left over from previous usage. Riders must stay on marked and/or designated trails to keep invasive species populations localized for easier management and to prevent spreading to new areas. Riders are also required to clean their clothes and gear by picking off seeds and burrs and brushing off soil as well as spray down OHVs with water or compressed air to remove mud and plant parts from tires and fenders. Measures to prevent the spread of invasive species during construction include working in non-infested areas first before moving to infested areas as well as inspecting and cleaning equipment after working in infested areas. Additional control methods will be applied as necessary as specific invasive species concerns are revealed. Terrestrial invasive species can be controlled through biological, chemical, and physical methods. Biological controls involve the use of living organisms, such as insects, to reduce invasive species populations. Chemical controls involve using herbicides to treat invasive plants. Physical/mechanical controls use fencing,

use. Future phases on the project, and thus additional land alteration, risks cumulative erosion over time. However, these phases would have separate geographic areas and timeframes. Construction-related erosion effects of these future phases would be limited to the construction corridor.

22. Other potential environmental effects: If the project may cause any additional environmental effects not addressed by items 1 to 21, describe the effects here, discuss the how the environment will be affected, and identify measures that will be taken to minimize and mitigate these effects.

The project is not expected to cause any environmental effects that have not already been addressed.

RGU CERTIFICATION. (The Environmental Quality Board will only accept **SIGNED** Environmental Assessment Worksheets for public notice in the EQB Monitor.)

I hereby certify that:

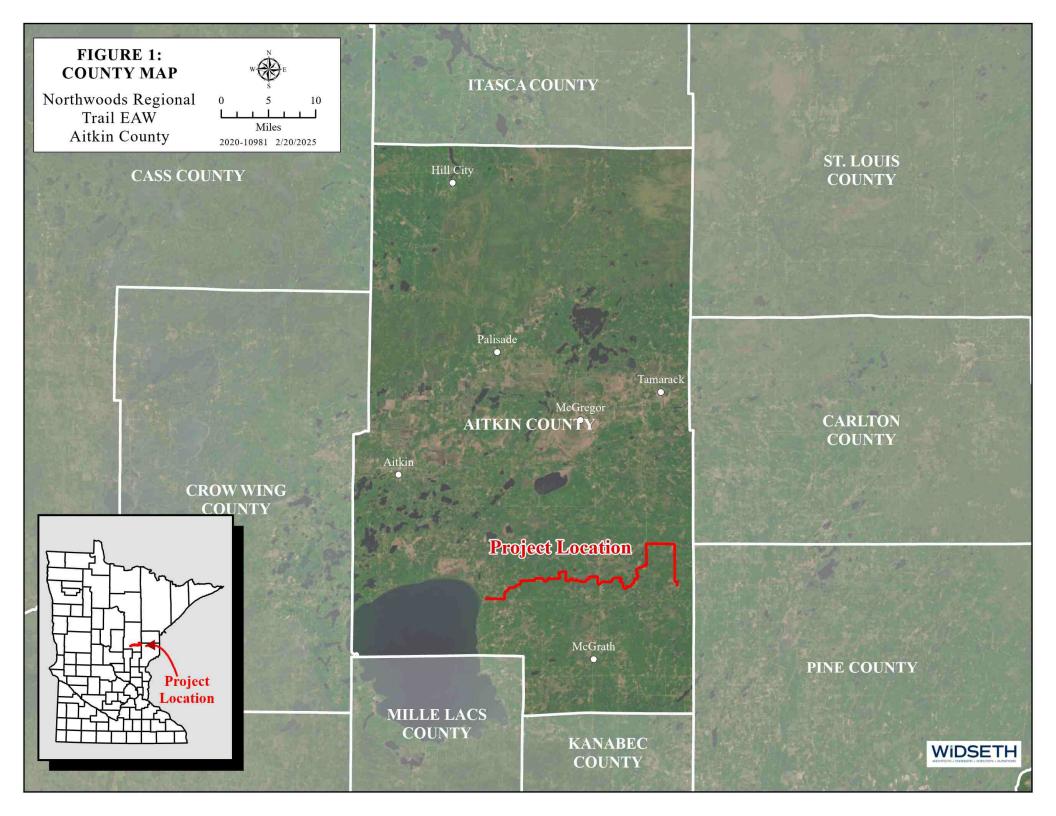
- The information contained in this document is accurate and complete to the best of my knowledge.
- The EAW describes the complete project; there are no other projects, stages or components other than those described in this document, which are related to the project as connected actions or phased actions, as defined at Minnesota Rules, parts 4410.0200, subparts 9c and 60, respectively.
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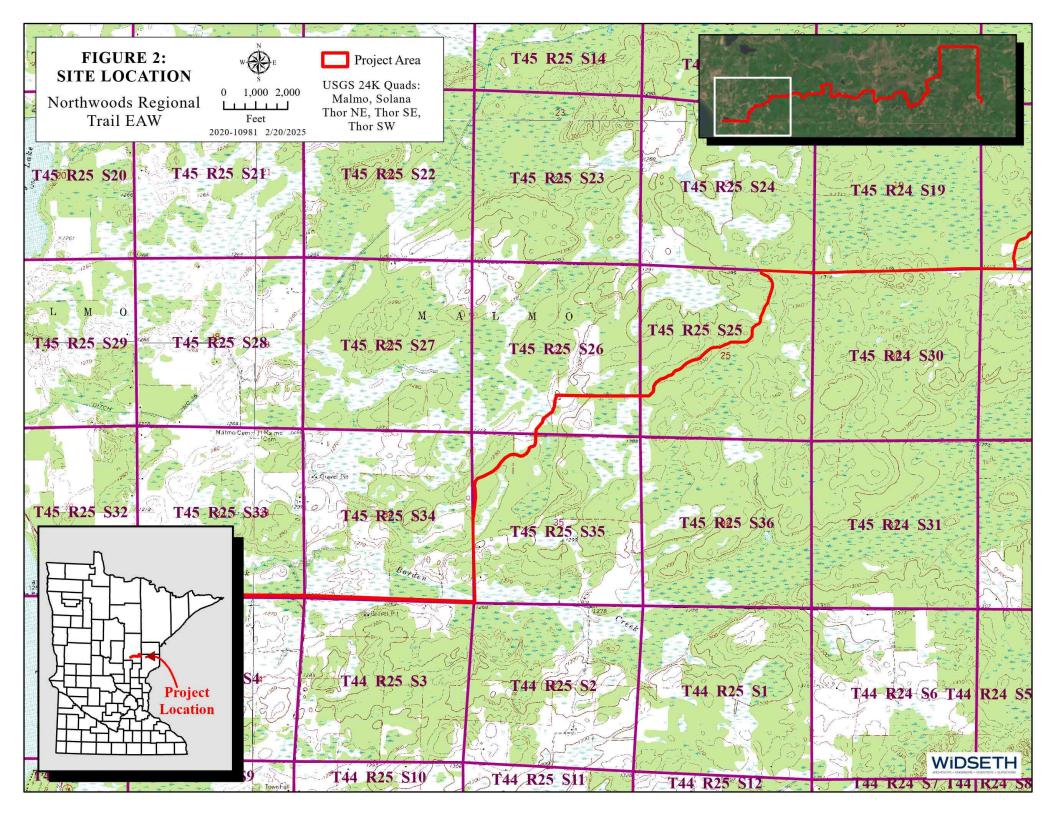
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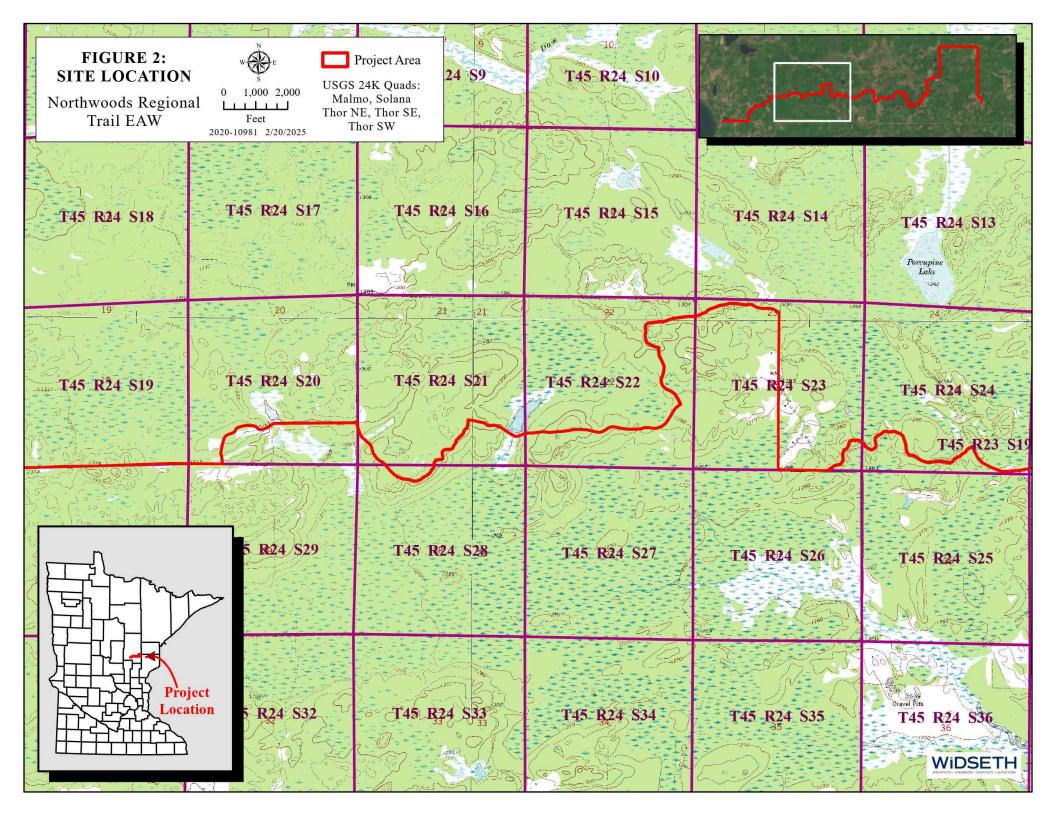
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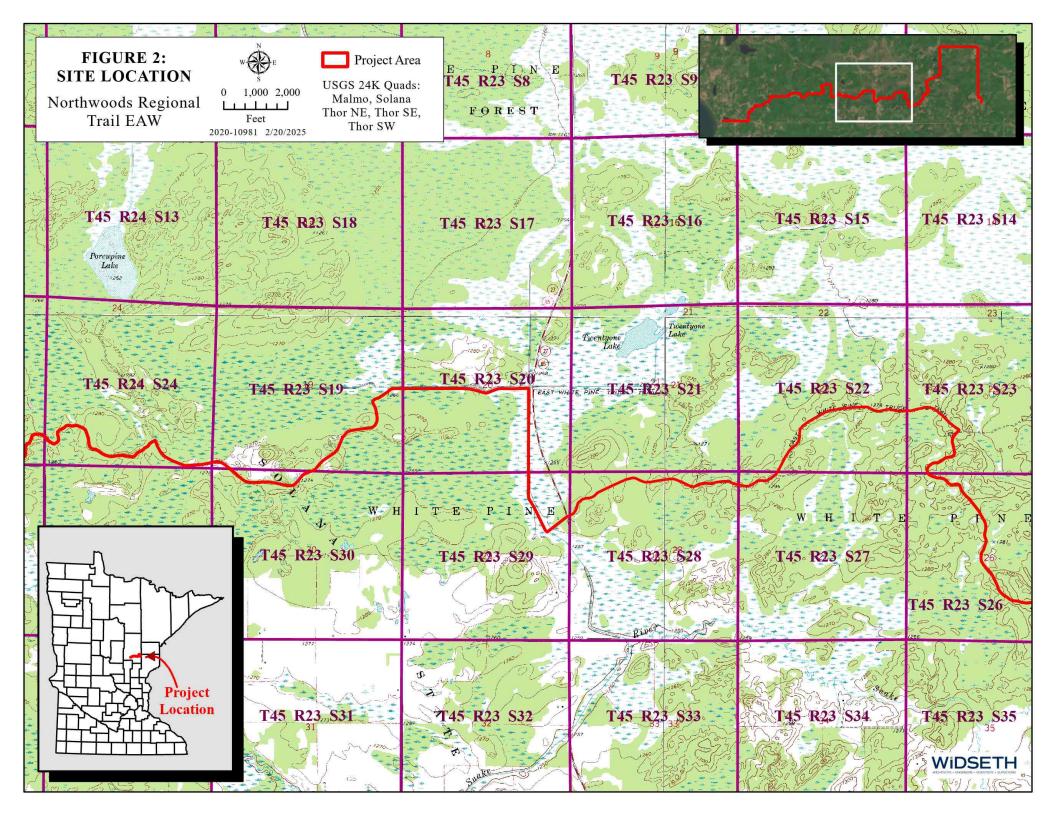
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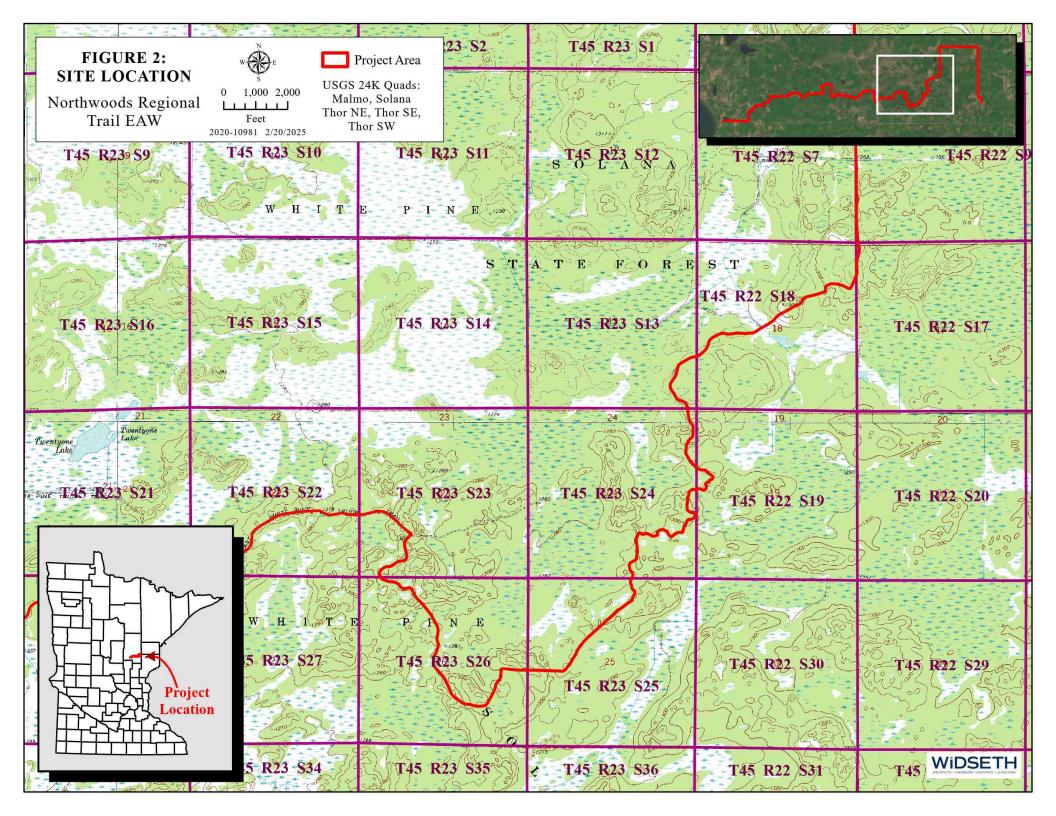


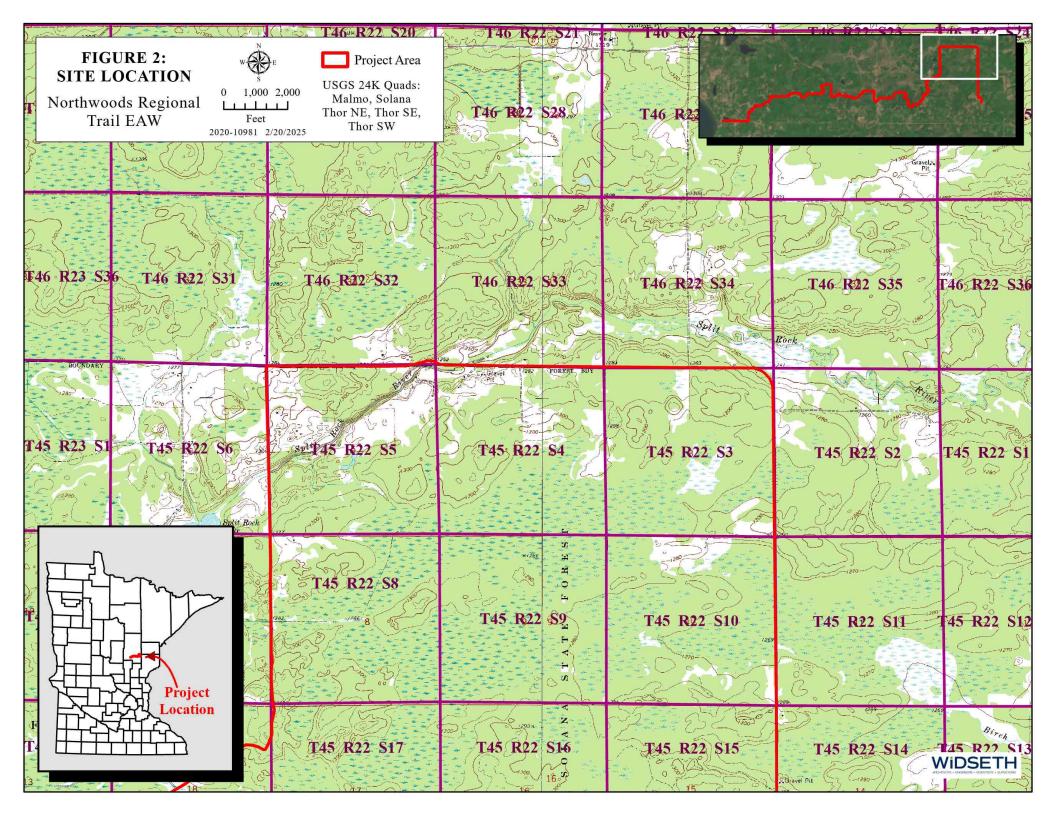


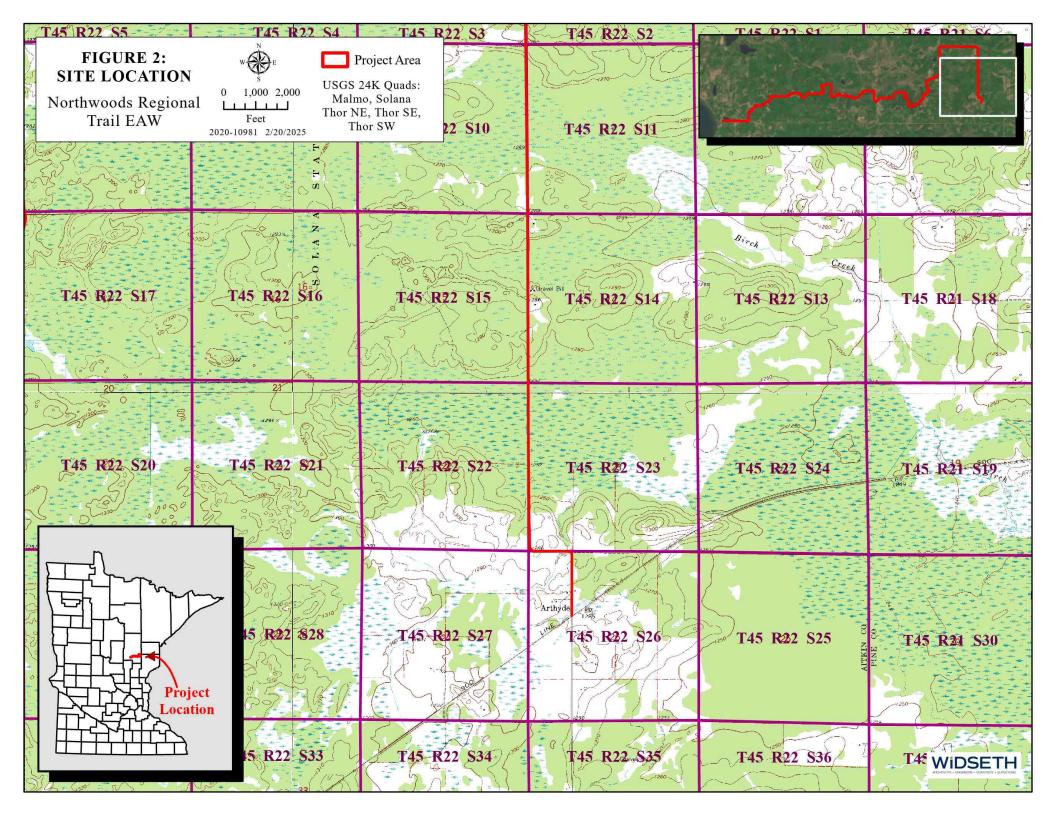


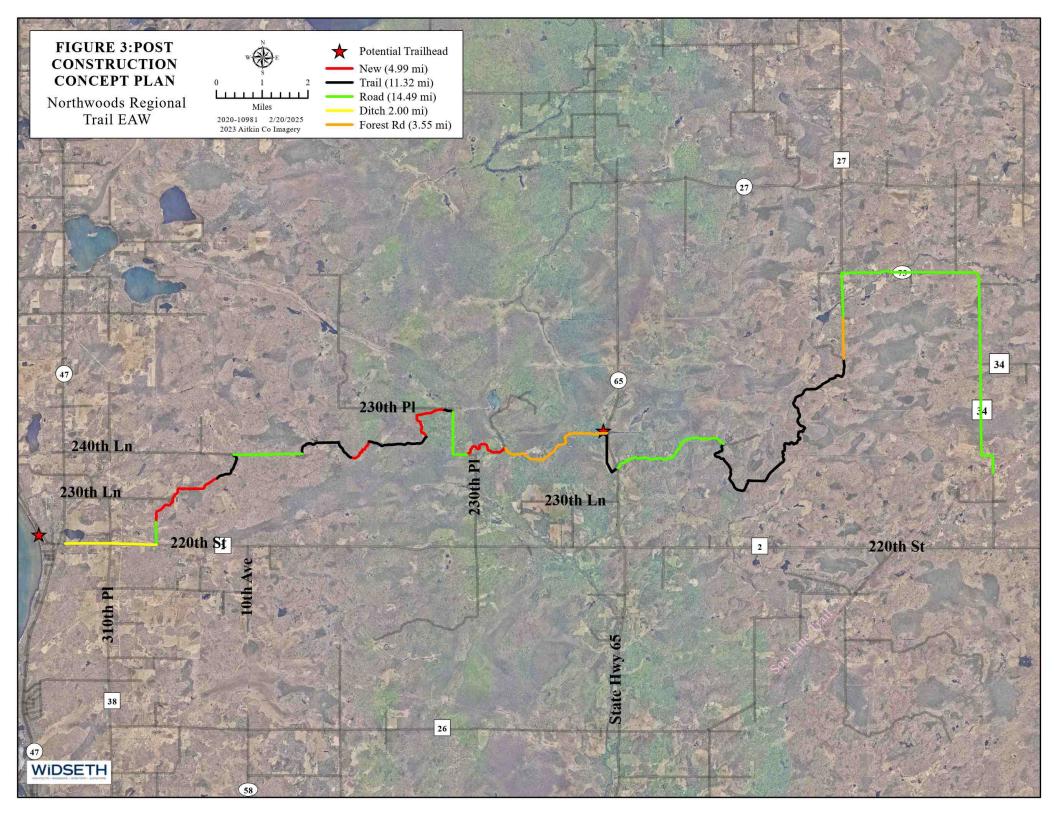


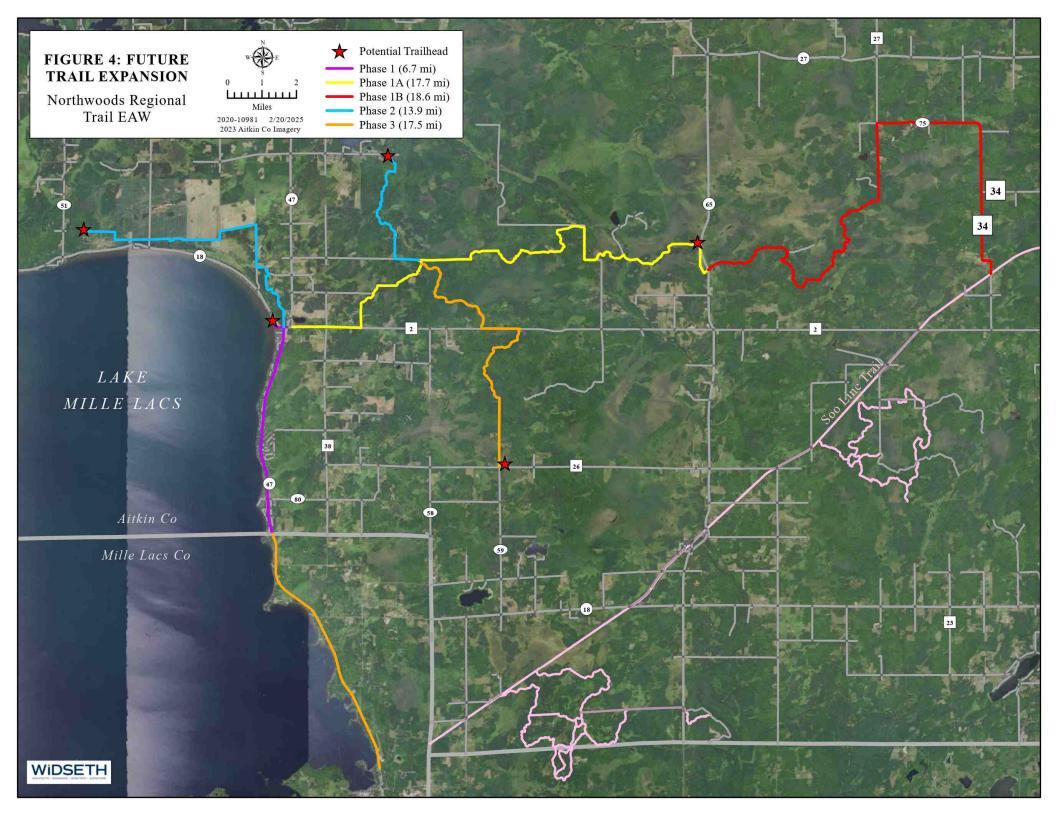


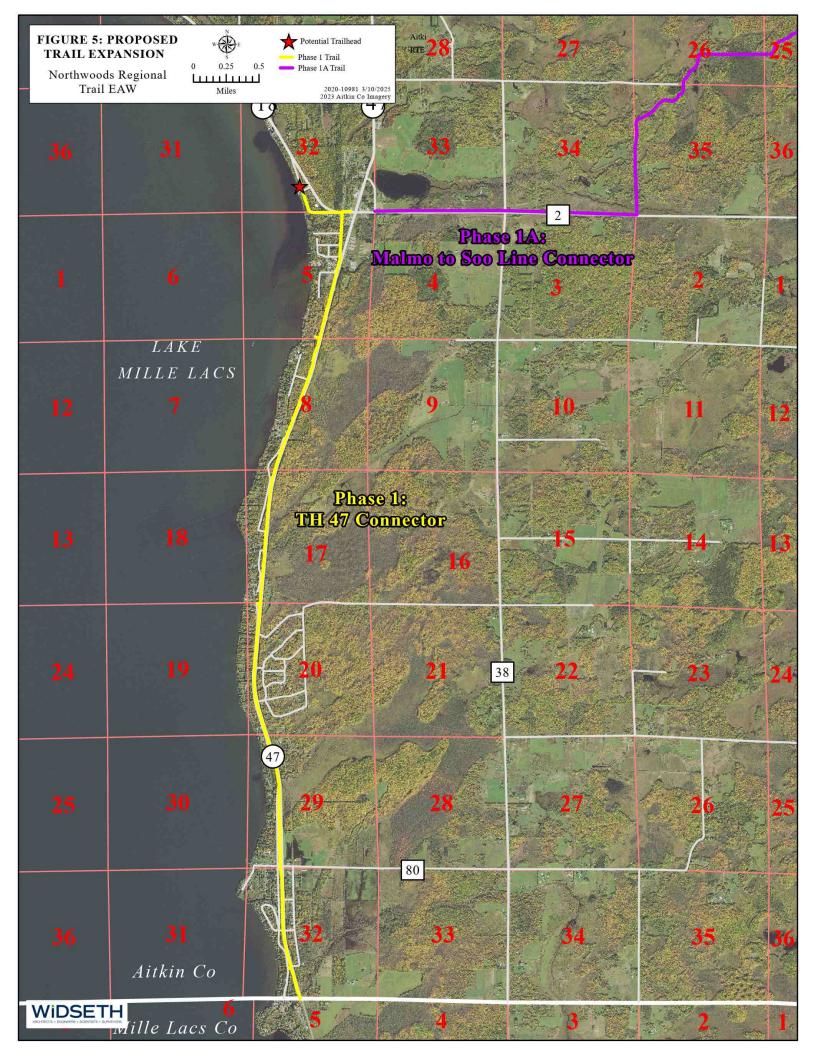


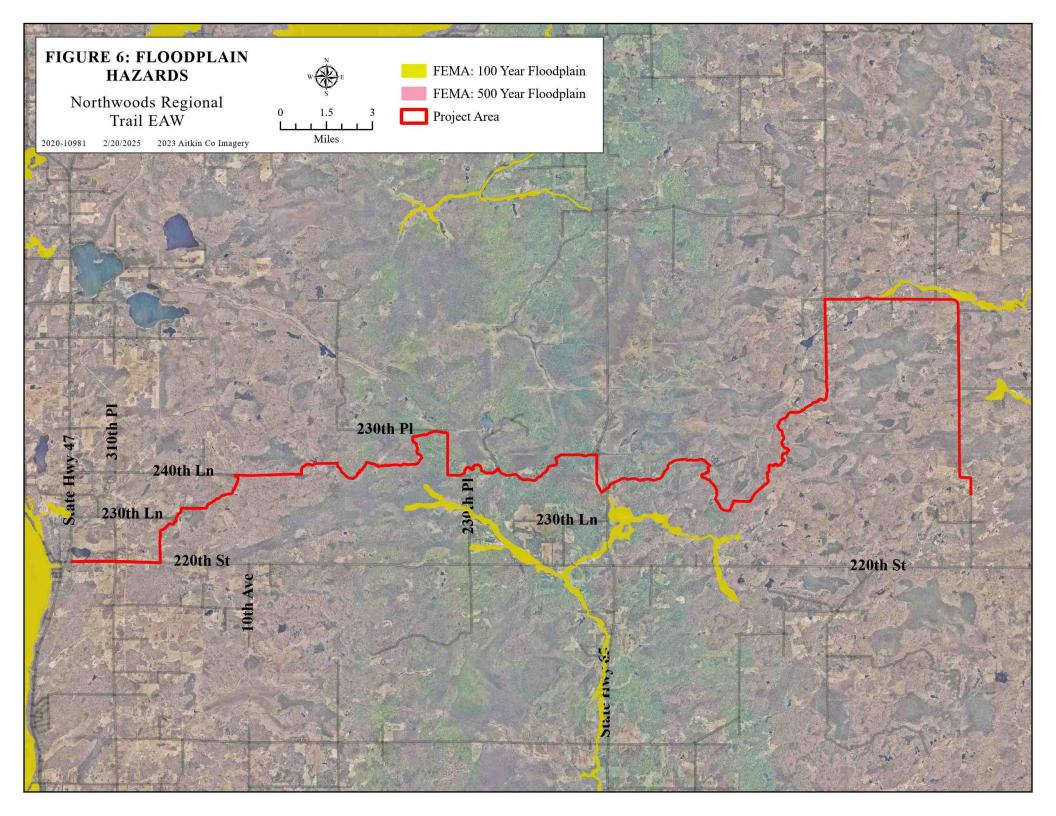


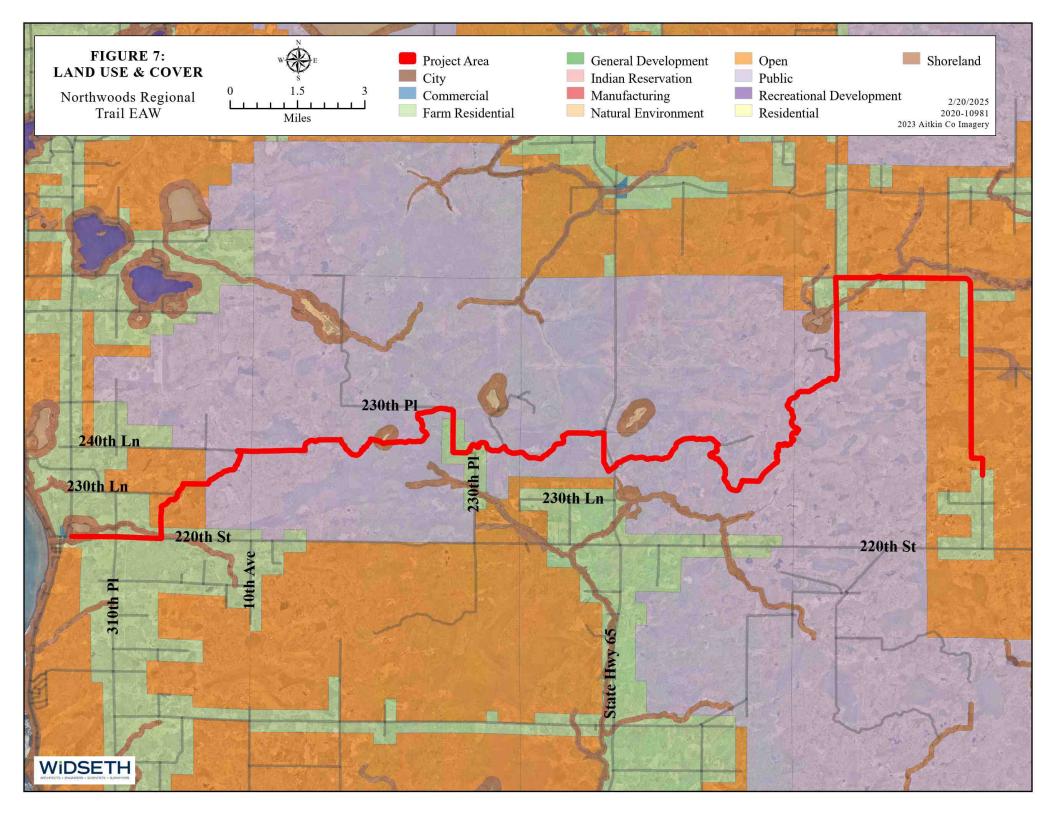


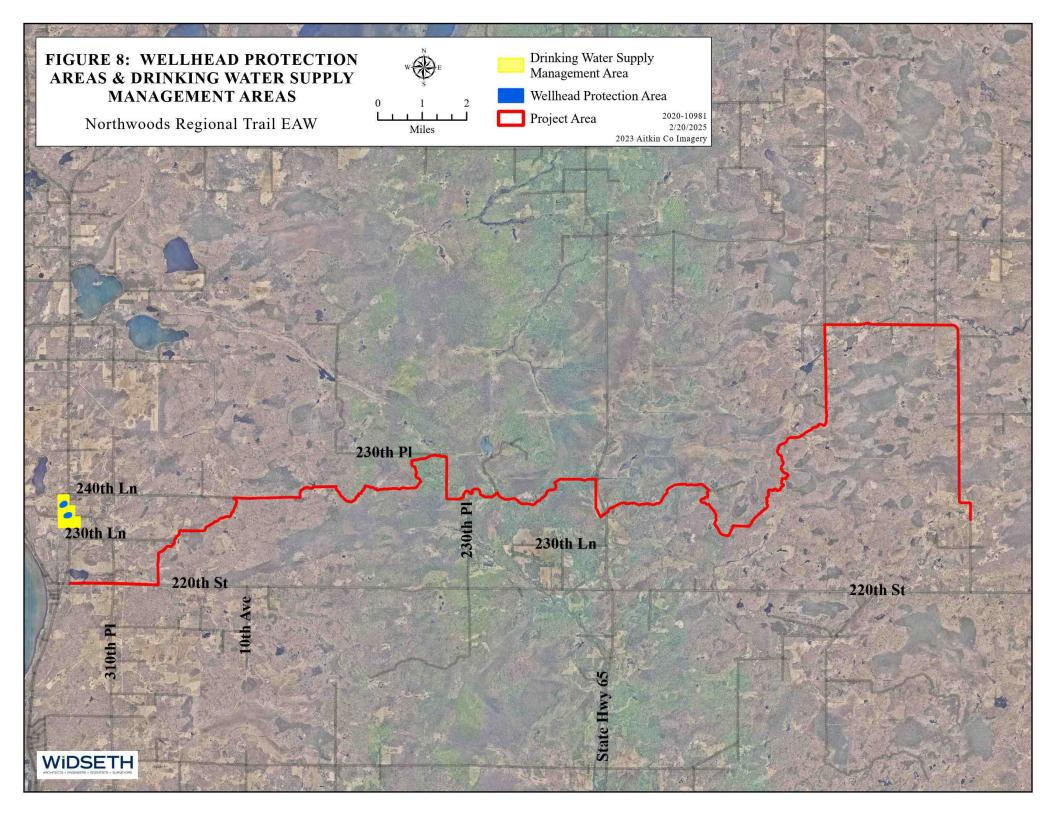


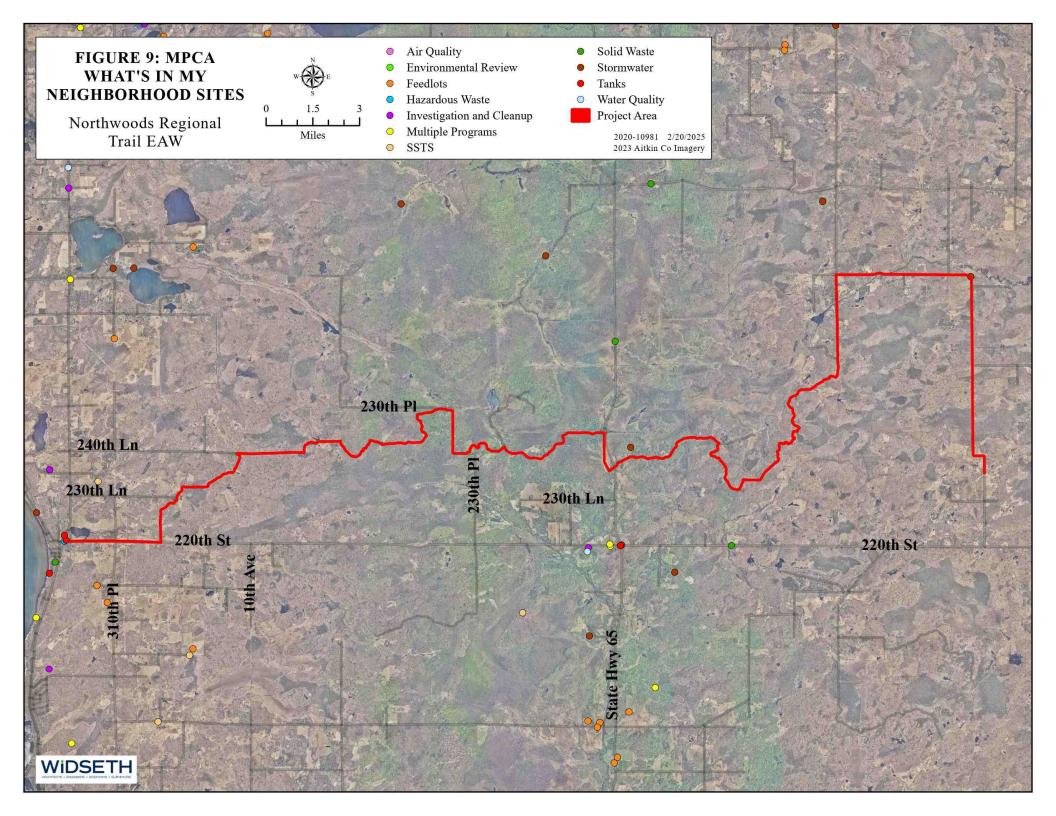












APPENDIX A

Economic Development Plan

AITKIN COUNTY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT STRATEGIC PLAN 2022-2027







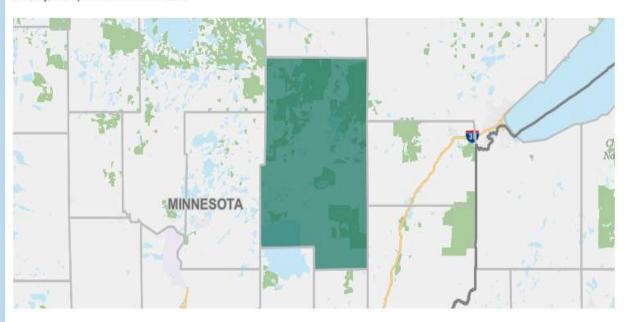
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Aitkin County, Minnesota

County, or equivalent in Minnesota



Aitkin County, Minnesota has 1,821.3 square miles of land area and is the 9th largest county in Minnesota by total area. Aitkin County, Minnesota is bordered by Pine County, Minnesota, Itasca County, Minnesota, St. Louis County, Minnesota, Carlton County, Minnesota, Crow Wing County, Minnesota, Cass County, Minnesota, Kanabec County, Minnesota, and Mille Lacs County, Minnesota.

- Minnesota's statewide median age was 38.4 years
- Aitkin County has the highest median age in Minnesota, 55.5.
- Neighboring Counties median age: Kanabec 45.0,
 Pine 45.0, Itasca 46.3 and Crow Wing 46.3



Total Population 15,697



Median Household Income \$49,351



Bachelor's Degree or Higher 18.1%



Employment Rate 46.3%



Total Housing Units 13,944



Without Health Care Coverage 4.1%



Total Employer Establishments 400



7,681

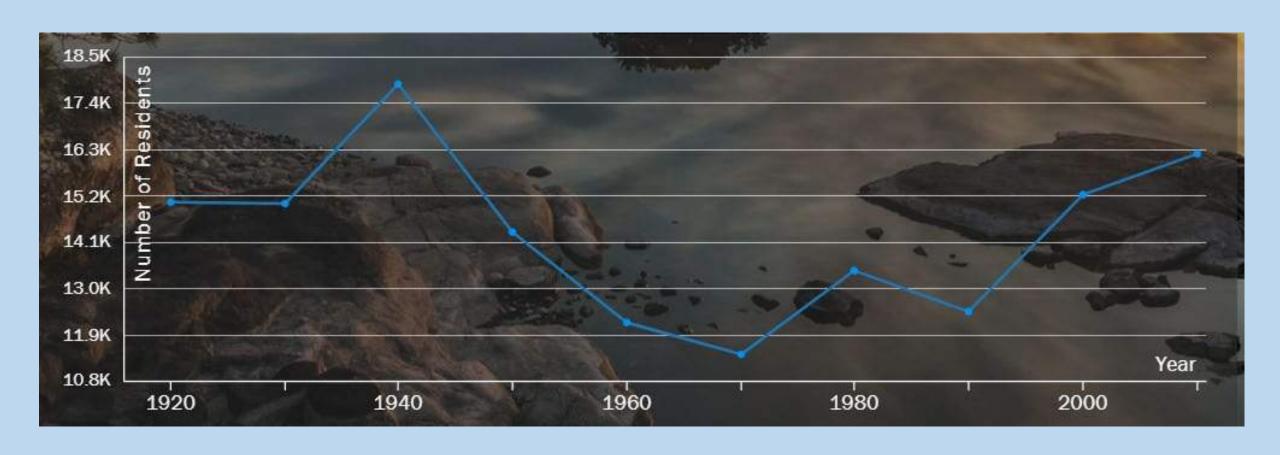


Hispanic or Latino (of any race)

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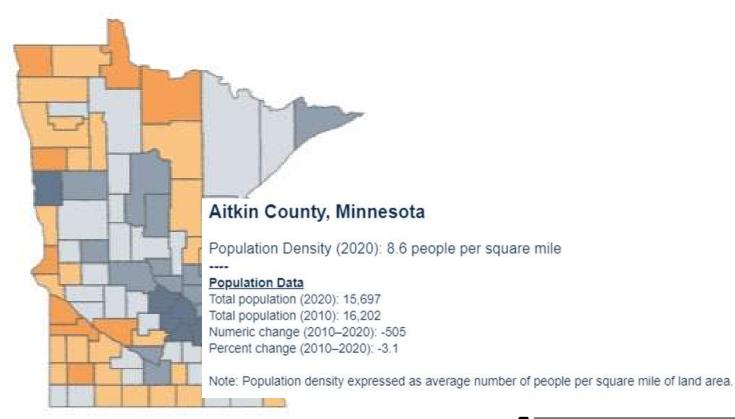
AITKIN COUNTY HISTORICAL POPULATION





MN COUNTIES 2020 POPULATION +/-

Percent Change in Population for Minnesota Counties: 2010-2020

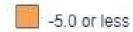


Percent change

10.0 to 19.9

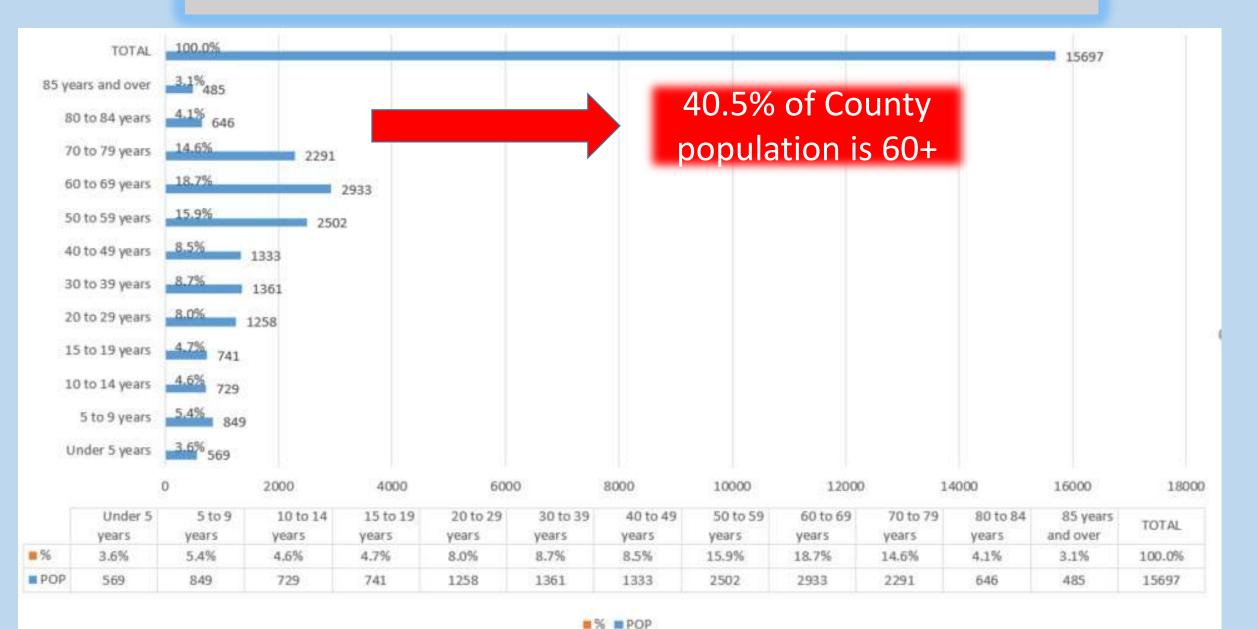
5.0 to 9.9

0.0 to 4.9 -4.9 to -0.1





AITKIN COUNTY POP BY AGE RANGE



BUSINESS & ECONOMY

Income and Earnings

\$49,351 +/- \$1,960

Median Household Income in Aitkin County, Minnesota

\$74,593 +/- \$826

Median Household Income in Minnesota

Table: S1901

Table Survey/Program: 2019 American Community Survey 5-Year Estimates

Median Income by Types of Families in Aitkin County, Minnesota





BUSINESS & ECONOMY

Class of Worker

16.4% +/- 1.8%

Local, State, & Federal Government Workers in Aitkin County, Minnesota

12.6% +/- 0.3%

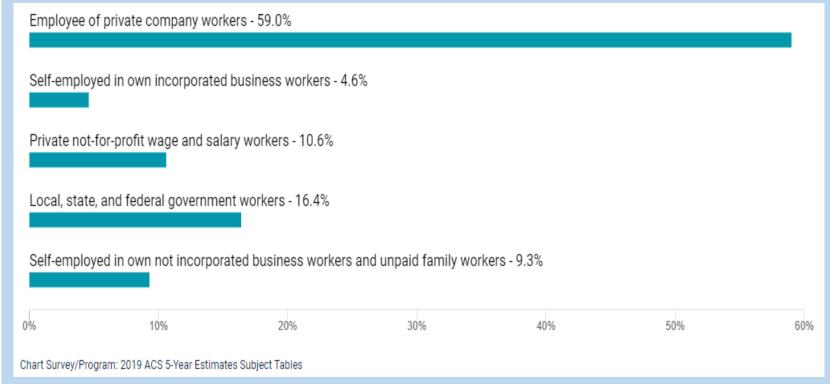
Local, State, & Federal Government Workers in Minnesota

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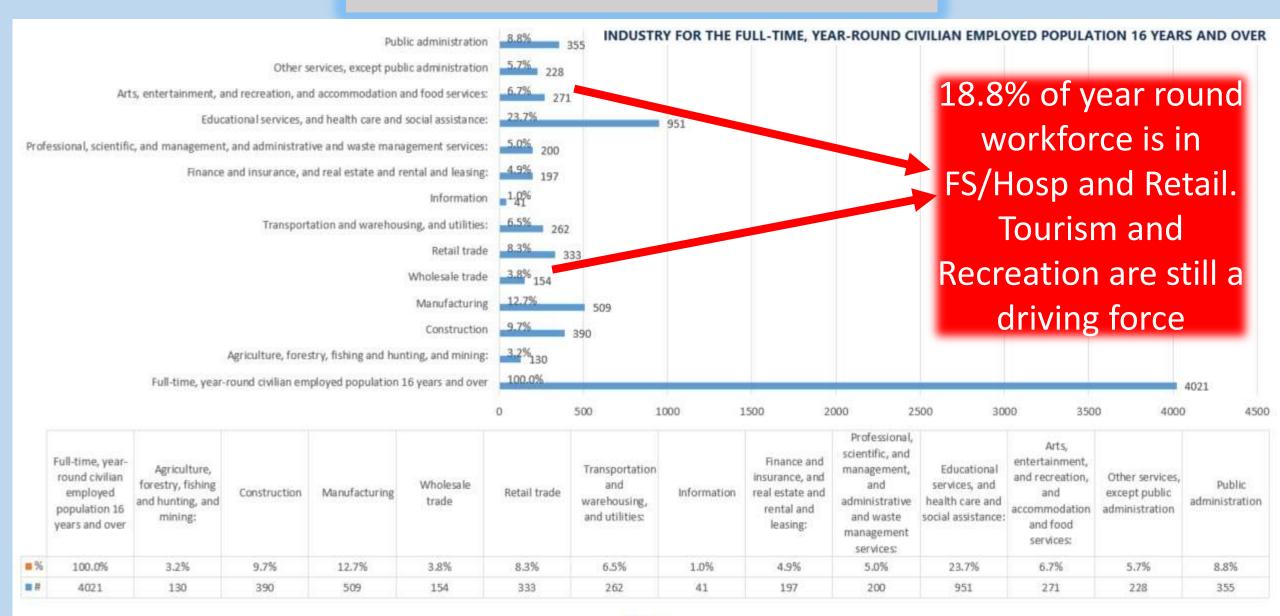
2019 American Community Survey 5-Year Estimates

Class of Worker in Aitkin County, Minnesota





BUSINESS & ECONOMY



HOUSING

Housing Units

13,944

Total Housing Units in Aitkin County, Minnesota

2,485,558

Total Housing Units in Minnesota

Table:

Table Survey/Program: 2020 Decennial Census

Homeownership

82.2% +/- 1.3%

Homeownership rate in Aitkin County, Minnesota

64.0% +/- 0.2%

Homeownership rate in United States

Table: DP04

Table Survey/Program: 2019 American Community Survey 5-Year Estimates

Renter Costs

\$768 +/- \$66

Median gross rent in Aitkin County, Minnesota

\$1,062 +/-\$1

Median gross rent in United States

Table: DP04

Table Survey/Program: 2019 American Community Survey 5-Year Estimates

Housing Value

\$183,200 +/- \$6,353

Median housing value in Aitkin County, Minnesota

\$217,500 +/-\$180

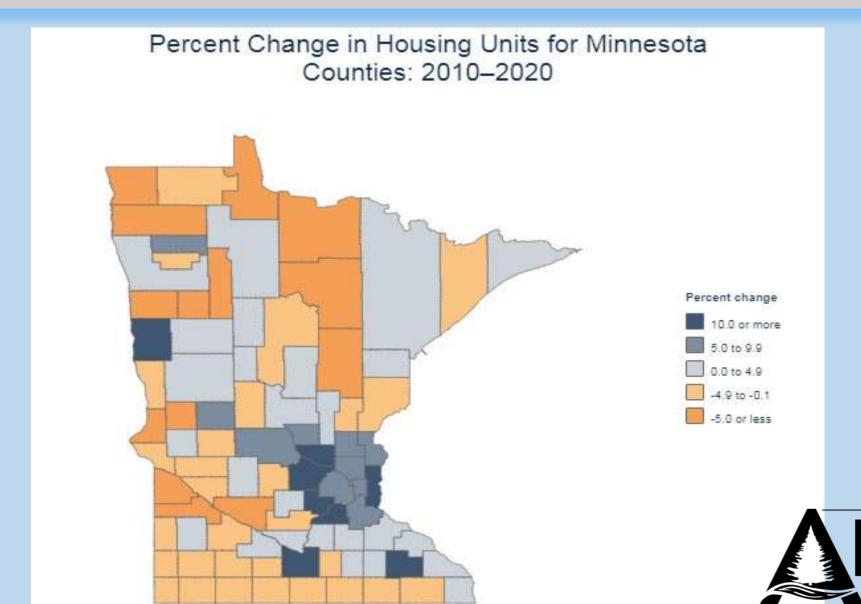
Median housing value in United States

Table: DP04

> Table Survey/Program: 2019 American Community Survey 5-Year Estimates



MN COUNTIES 2020 HOUSING UNITS % CHANGE +/-



AITKIN COUNTY 2020 HOUSING UNIT DENSITY CHANGE +/-





Minnesota Counties

(Ranked by number of housing units in 2020)

38.	Aitkin County	13,944
39.	Nicollet County	13,371
40.	Le Sueur County	12,811
41.	Mille Lacs County	12,786
42.	Todd County	12,770
43.	Brown County	11,780
44.	Lyon County	11,180

Aitkin County, Minnesota

Housing Units (2020): 7.7 units per square mile

Housing Data

Housing units (2020): 13,944 Housing units (2010): 16,029

Numeric change in housing units (2010-2020): -2,085 Percent change in housing units (2010-2020): -13.0

Housing unit vacancy rate (2020): 48.4

Note: Housing unit density is expressed as the average number of housing units per square mi



10.576

10,158

9.748

SWOT



STRENGTH

- Recreational Resources
- •Tourism
- Quality of rural life
- World Class Healthcare
- School Districts
- •Regional ED Organizations
- Funding access
- •Internal & external collaboration



WEAKNESS Broadband Services

- Workforce Housing
- Resistance to rapid change
- Population Demographics
- Youth retention
- •Technical and Trade Education



OPPORTUNITY

•Broadband-RDOF

- •E Commerce
- Housing Advancement
- •Gen Z & Millennial attraction
- Culture Change to remote worker
- •Technical and Trade Education
- Innovative marketing
- Wood Industry
- Population demographics
- Counterurbanization



THREAT

- Aggressive neighboring
- Brick and Mortar
- Population decline
- •No "local" higher education
- Rapidly changing world



MISSION

To provide outstanding service in a fiscally responsible manner through innovation and collaboration with respect for all.

VISION

We strive to be a county of safe, vibrant communities that place value on good stewardship of local resources.

CORE VALUES

We achieve outstanding customer service through these core values:

- Collaboration
- Innovation
- Integrity
- People-Focused
- Professionalism



ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT MISSION

To develop and promote resources for Economic Growth in our community. Establish, implement and administer programs to stimulate economic and retail development in Aitkin County.

PRIMARY OBJECTIVES:

- Provide a single point of contact for existing business owners, new business owners and Entrepreneurs, that identifies all resources available for their business success.
- Spotlight quality of life in Aitkin County by highlighting our extensive outdoor recreational resources.
- Improve Broadband access to all Aitkin County residents and visitors to support vibrant communities.
- Attract businesses located outside of Aitkin County.
- Listen to the needs of the community to drive the economic engine.



FOUNDATION FOR GROWTH



WORKFORCE ATTRACTION



AGGRESSIVE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT



COMMUNITY RESOURCES



FOUNDATIONAL ASSETS



WORKFORCE ATTRACTION

PRIORITIES FOR WORK FORCE GROWTH:

- 1. Support Career Development
- 2. Market Community Resources
- 3. Support Housing Initiatives
- 4. Support Health and Wellness Initiatives (Child Care)
- 5. Foundational Asset Improvement



We Must Highlight the Benefits of Aitkin County

COMMUNITY RESOURCES:

- Recreation
- Arts & Entertainment
- Leisure
- Faith

QUALITY OF LIFE:

- Education
 - High Schools
 - Vocational Training
- Healthcare
- Natural Resources

FOUNDATIONAL ASSETS:

- Housing
- Broadband



AGGRESSIVE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

PRIORITIES FOR BUSINESS GROWTH:

- 1. Business Retention and Expansion
- 2. Attract Non-Resident Business Prospects
- 3. Engage Unique and Innovative Businesses
- 4. Market Community Resources
- 5. Foundational Asset Improvement



We Must Highlight the Benefits of Aitkin County

COMMUNITY RESOURCES:

- Recreation
- Arts & Entertainment
- Leisure
- Faith

QUALITY OF LIFE:

- Education
 - High Schools
 - Vocational Training
- Healthcare
- Natural Resources

FOUNDATIONAL ASSETS:

- Housing
- Broadband



COMMUNITY RESOURCES

PRIORITIES FOR COMMUNITY RESOURCE GROWTH:

- 1. Promote Recreation, Leisure and Tourism
- 2. Support Health and Wellness Initiatives
- 3. Promote Educational Institutions
- 4. Invoke Change



We Must Highlight the Benefits of Aitkin County

COMMUNITY RESOURCES:

- Recreation
- Arts & Entertainment
- Leisure
- Faith

QUALITY OF LIFE:

- Education
 - High Schools
 - Vocational Training
- Healthcare
- Natural Resources

FOUNDATIONAL ASSETS:

- Housing
- Broadband



FOUNDATIONAL ASSETS

PRIORITIES FOR FOUNDATIONAL GROWTH:

- 1. Improve Broadband Access
- 2. Support Housing Initiatives
- 3. Transportation
- 4. Water and Wastewater





PRIORITY-PLAN-GOAL: WORKFORCE ATTRACTION

WORKFORCE ATTRACTION

PRIORITY	PLAN	GOAL
Support Career Development	Develop Vocational Work and Training Programs	Identify a Vocational Training program for each School District by 2024
	Develop business/workforce roundtable	2023
Market Community Resources	Create marketing plan for Aitkin County Identity	2022
	Aitkin County Website Development	2022
	Develop a focused marketing program for recreation and tourism	2022
	Develop Community Welcome Packet/website link	2022-2023
	Promote all trail systems	2022-2027
Support Housing Initiatives	Collaborate with HRA and highlight their housing progress initiatives	2022-2027
	Develop housing search program for new work force	Complete and functioning program by 2024
Support Health and Wellness Initiatives	Support Riverwood Healthcare intiatives and focus for Telemedicine	2022-2027
	Support local intiatives and focus on mental health	2022-2027
	Increase Child Care availability	Establish the Child Care Start- Up Grant in 2022
Foundational Asset Improvement	Improve broadband access to all County residents	Broadband available to +80% residents by 2027

PRIORITY-PLAN-GOAL: ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

AGGRESSIVE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

PRIORITY	PLAN	GOAL
Focus on Business Retention & Expansion	Establish a consistent BRE routine for current businesses	Implemented Immediately
	Modify the Business Development and Recreation Grant	Implement in 2022
Attract Non-Resident Business Prospects	Develop and Implement Small Business Aid Grant	Implement in 2022
	Develop and implement start up incentive program	Implement in 2022
	Develop relocation incentives program	Implement in 2022
	Develop land availability program and incentive for relocation	coincide with workforce housing search program in 2024
	Aggressive hunt for Entrepreneurs and Producers	2022-2027
Engage Unique and Innovative Businesses	Identify and develop E Commerce opportunity	2022-2027
	Develop state wide entrepreneurial talent search contest	2022
	Engage in all organizations supporting entrepreneurs- Innovate 218	Implemented Immediately
Market Community Resources	Create marketing plan for Aitkin County Identity	2022
	Aitkin County Website Development	2022
	Develop a focused marketing program for recreation and tourism	2022
	Promote all trail systems	2022-2027
Foundational Asset Improvement	Improve broadband access to all County residents	Broadband available to +80% residents by 2027

PRIORITY-PLAN-GOAL: COMMUNITY RESOURCES

COMMUNITY RESOURCES

PRIORITY	PLAN	GOAL
Promote Recreation, Leisure & Tourism	Create marketing plan for Aitkin County Identity	2022
	Aitkin County Website Development	2022
	Develop a focused marketing program for recreation and tourism	2022
	Promote all trail systems	2022-2027
	Modify the Business Development and Recreation Grant	Implement in 2022
Support Health and Wellness Initiatives	Support Riverwood Healthcare intiatives and focus for Telemedicine	2022-2027
	Support local intiatives and focus on mental health	2022-2027
	Increase Child Care availability	2022
Promote Educational Institutions	Support County high schools and higher learning institutions with their initiatives	2022
Foundational Asset Improvement	Improve broadband access to all County residents	Broadband available to +80% residents by 2027

PRIORITY-PLAN-GOAL: FOUNDATIONAL ASSETS

FOUNDATIONAL ASSETS

PRIORITY	PLAN	GOAL
Improve Broadband Access	Establish full collaboration with all local providers	2022
	Establish routine for holding providers accountable	2022
	Pressure State and Federal Legislatures to clear path for RDOF	2022-2026
	Improve broadband access to all County residents	Broadband available to +80% residents by 2027
Support Housing Initiatives	Collaborate with HRA and highlight their housing progress initiatives	2022
	Develop housing search program for new work force	Complete and functioning program in 2022
	Collaborate with local developers to build workforce housing in all Aitkin County	2022-2027

APPENDIX



Kanabec County, Minnesota

County, or equivalent in Minnesota



Covering 521.5 square miles, Kanabec County, Minnesota is the 66th-largest county in Minnesota by area. Kanabec County, Minnesota is bordered by Pine County, Minnesota, Chisago County, Minnesota, Aitkin County, Minnesota, Mille Lacs County, Minnesota, and Isanti County, Minnesota.



POPULATION 16,089



\$57,163



10.0%



BACHELOR'S DEGREE OR HIGHER 14.7%



59.9%



7,931

People and Population

Age and Sex

45.0 +/- 0.3

Median age in Kanabec County, Minnesota

Population by Age Range in Kanabec County, Minnesota





Pine County, Minnesota

County, or equivalent in Minnesota



Covering 1,410.9 square miles, Pine County, Minnesota is the 13th-largest county in Minnesota by area. Pir County, Minnesota is bordered by Kanabec County, Minnesota, Douglas County, Wisconsin, Burnett County, Wisconsin, Chisago County, Minnesota, Aitkin County, Minnesota, Isanti County, Minnesota, and Carlton County, Minnesota.



29,223



\$53,422



11.0%



BACHELOR'S DEGREE OR HIGHER
14.9%



53.1%



TOTAL HOUSING UNITS 17,596

People and Population

Age and Sex

45.0 +/- 0.3

Median age in Pine County, Minnesota

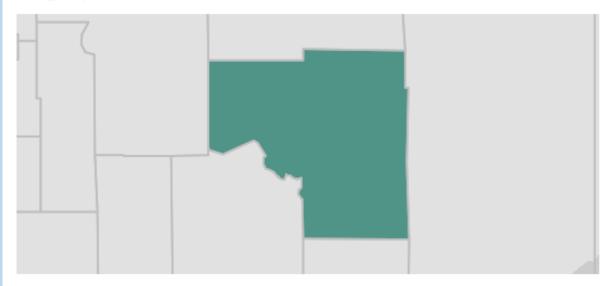
Population by Age Range in Pine County, Minnesota

Under 5 years - 4.7%



Itasca County, Minnesota

County, or equivalent in Minnesota



Covering 2,666.5 square miles, Itasca County, Minnesota is the 3rd-largest county in Minnesota by area. Itasca County, Minnesota is bordered by St. Louis County, Minnesota, Cass County, Minnesota, Aitkin County, Minnesota, Beltrami County, Minnesota, and Koochiching County, Minnesota.



POPULATION 45,141



MEDIAN HOUSEHOLD INCOME \$55,139



POVERTY RATE 12.2%



BACHELOR'S DEGREE OR HIGHER 23.1%



54.0%



TOTAL HOUSING UNITS 27,667

People and Population

Age and Sex

46.3 +/- 0.2

Median age in Itasca County, Minnesota

Population by Age Range in Itasca County, Minnesota

Under 5 years - 5.3%



Crow Wing County, Minnesota

County, or equivalent in Minnesota



Covering 998.1 square miles, Crow Wing County, Minnesota is the 21st-largest county in Minnesota by area. Crow Wing County, Minnesota is bordered by Cass County, Minnesota, Aitkin County, Minnesota, Morrison County, Minnesota, and Mille Lacs County, Minnesota.



64,217



\$56,549



10.8%



BACHELOR'S DEGREE OR HIGHER 24.7%



59.5%



41,916

People and Population

Age and Sex

44.5 +/- 0.3

Median age in Crow Wing County, Minnesota

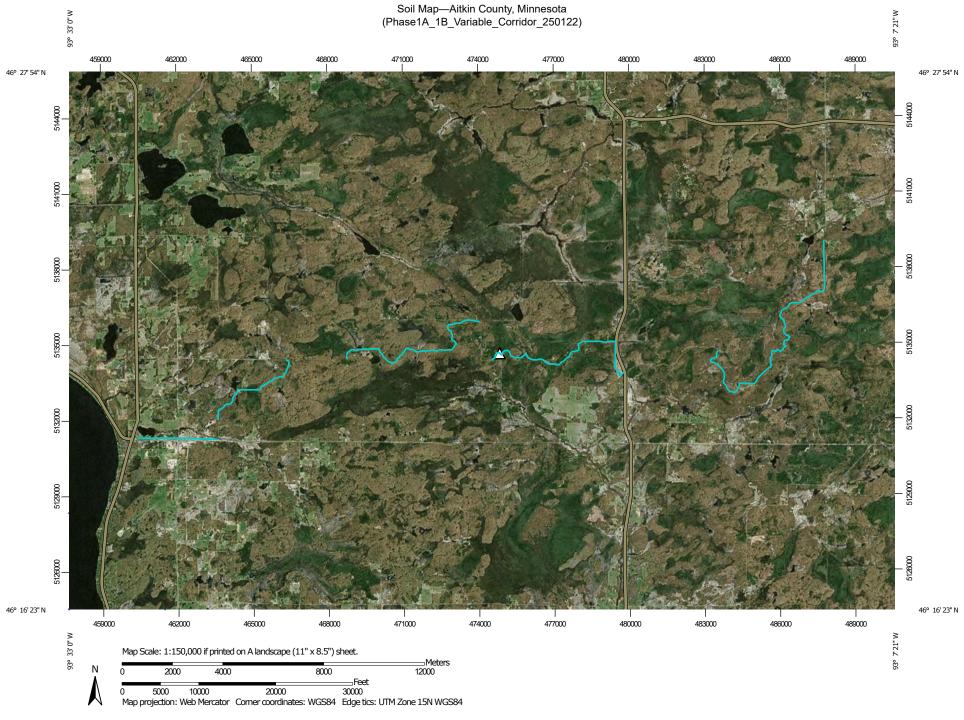
Population by Age Range in Crow Wing County, Minnesota





APPENDIX B

Project Area Soils



MAP LEGEND

Area of Interest (AOI)

Area of Interest (AOI)

Soils

Soil Map Unit Polygons



Soil Map Unit Lines



Soil Map Unit Points

Special Point Features

Blowout



Borrow Pit



Clay Spot



Closed Depression



Gravel Pit



Gravelly Spot



Landfill



Lava Flow

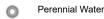
Marsh or swamp



Mine or Quarry



Miscellaneous Water



Rock Outcrop



Saline Spot



Sandy Spot



Severely Eroded Spot



Sinkhole



Slide or Slip



Sodic Spot

8

Spoil Area



Stony Spot



Very Stony Spot



Wet Spot Other



Special Line Features

Water Features



Streams and Canals

Transportation



Rails



Interstate Highways



US Routes



Major Roads



Local Roads

Background



Aerial Photography

MAP INFORMATION

The soil surveys that comprise your AOI were mapped at 1:20.000.

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Coordinate System: Web Mercator (EPSG:3857)

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Soil map units are labeled (as space allows) for map scales 1:50,000 or larger.

Date(s) aerial images were photographed: Jan 1, 1999—Dec 31, 2003

The orthophoto or other base map on which the soil lines were compiled and digitized probably differs from the background imagery displayed on these maps. As a result, some minor shifting of map unit boundaries may be evident.

Map Unit Legend

Map Unit Symbol	Map Unit Name	Acres in AOI	Percent of AOI
186	Nemadji loamy fine sand	0.5	1.1%
188B	Omega loamy fine sand, 2 to 6 percent slopes	1.0	2.4%
188C	Omega loamy fine sand, 6 to 12 percent slopes	2.2	5.3%
218	Watab fine sand	1.5	3.6%
268C	Cromwell sandy loam, 6 to 12 percent slopes	1.6	4.0%
533	Loxley peat	0.0	0.0%
543	Markey muck	2.0	4.9%
544	Cathro muck	0.0	0.1%
685	Oesterle fine sandy loam	0.4	1.0%
732B	Bushville loamy fine sand, 1 to 6 percent slopes	1.3	3.2%
1984	Leafriver muck	0.1	0.4%
C4A	Cebana-Giese, frequently ponded-Ronneby complex, 0 to 3 percent slopes, stony	4.8	11.6%
С9В	Mora-Ronneby complex, 1 to 4 percent slopes, stony	10.7	26.2%
C28A	Cathro-Twig, stony complex, 0 to 1 percent slopes, frequently ponded	1.9	4.7%
C71C	Milaca-Mora complex, 1 to 7 percent slopes, stony	7.2	17.5%
C72D	Milaca-Millward complex, 2 to 20 percent slopes, stony	1.0	2.3%
C73C	Milaca loam, 1 to 7 percent slopes, stony	2.0	4.8%
C75A	Seelyeville, occasionally ponded-Cathro, frequently ponded, complex, 0 to 1 percent slopes	1.6	4.0%
C101A	Greenwood mucky peat, 0 to 1 percent slopes	0.6	1.5%
C158	Rifle mucky peat, 0 to 1 percent slopes, occasionally ponded	0.2	0.4%
C211	Bowstring and Fluvaquents, loamy, 0 to 2 percent slopes, frequently flooded	0.4	1.0%
Totals for Area of Interest		40.9	100.0%

APPENDIX C

Wetland Delineation Report and Approved Notice of Decision



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WETLAND DELINEATION REPORT

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NORTHWOODS REGIONAL TRAIL PHASE 1A AITKIN COUNTY, MINNESOTA

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I. Introduction

Widseth has completed a delineation of aquatic resources within a 112.4-acre Project Area for a proposed ATV trail (Figure 1 and 2). The Project Area is 35' wide for most of the corridor and is narrower along the existing roads. The Project Area is north of 220th St, from 320th Ave to 300th Pl. The Project area goes north on 300th Pl, and travels through the woods onto 240th Ln. It leaves 240th Ln and travels through the woods over to 320th Pl. It proceeds east on an ATV trail until it reaches Solana State Forest Road. It follows Solana State Forest Road before going south near State Highway 65. It begins going east again on White Pine Truck Trail until the road ends. It continues going east before going south until it reaches 220th St. There is a second area that goes east which connects to the Soo Line ATV Trail.

The delineation was completed to identify aquatic resources within the Project Area located in Sections 2, 3, 4, and 5, Township 44, Range 25, Section 6, Township 44, Range 22, Sections 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, and 33, Township 45, Range 22, Sections 19, 20, 22, 23, 24, 25, 27, 28, 29, and 30, Township 45, Range 23, Sections 13, 14, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 28, 29, and 30, Township 45, Range 24, and Sections 24, 25, 26, 32, 33, 34, and 35, Township 45, Range 25, Aitkin County, MN.

This report describes the methodology and results of the field delineation performed by Joey Goeden, Danny Perrault, and Duncan Widman of Widseth on June 24 through June 28 and July 10, 2024. Aquatic resources identified within this report will be used for planning purposes and to determine potential impacts.

II. Methodology

The United States Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) defines jurisdictional wetlands as: "Those areas that are inundated or saturated by surface or groundwater at a frequency and duration sufficient to support, and under normal circumstances do support, a prevalence of vegetation typically adapted for life in saturated soil conditions. Wetlands generally include swamps, marshes, bogs, and similar areas."

Available maps, aerial photography, and climatological data were reviewed prior to the on-site delineation for assistance in the identification of wetland areas. The Federal Clean Water Act and the Minnesota Wetland Conservation Act (WCA) require that the United States Army Corps of Engineers 1987 Manual (1987 Manual) along with the Regional Supplement to the Corps of Engineers Wetland Delineation Manual: Northcentral and Northeast Region be used as guidance for wetland determinations. The boundaries of jurisdictional wetlands are to be determined using vegetation, hydrology, and soils as wetland indicator criteria. The wetland edge is considered to be the uppermost extent of the wetland basin (i.e., the area above the boundary did not meet all three wetland indicator criteria and the area below the boundary did meet all three criteria).

The wetland boundary locations were determined by establishing sample transects. Transects were generally comprised of sample locations on a line roughly perpendicular to the wetland edge. Sample points were located just above and below what was defined as the wetland edge. Northcentral and Northeast Region Wetland Determination Data Forms were completed that detailed vegetation, hydrology, and soils at each sample location. The wetland boundary was located just above the sampling points where all three wetland criteria were met. Dominant plant species, soils characteristics, and hydrology indicators have been documented on the Wetland Determination Data Forms for each transect and are included in Appendix A.

Wetland boundaries were marked with wetland delineation stake-flags and ribbon. The wetland boundaries were then surveyed with a sub-meter GPS and included on site maps.

III. Offsite Examination

National Wetlands Inventory (NWI). NWI maps typically provide useful information and are a good starting point for creating a wetlands base map. However, NWI maps sometimes contain inaccuracies because they are created from interpretation of aerial photographs and are usually not verified by ground truthing. As a result, wetland boundaries are sometimes mapped inaccurately, and smaller wetlands may be missed entirely or misidentified by type. The NWI identified 24 wetland basins and 5 riverine habitats within Project Area (Figure 3). The wetland types within the Project Area are PEM1A, PEM1Cb, PEM1Cd, PEM1D, PEM1Db, PEM1Dd, PFO1/4D, PFO1D, PFO1/EM1D, PFO1/SS1D, PFO2Dg, PFO2/SS3Dg, PFO2/4Dg, PFO4Dg, PSS1C, PSS1D, PSS1/EM1D, PSS1/EM1Ad, PSS2/EM1Dg, and PUBHb. The riverine types within the Project Area are R2UBFx, R2UBH, and R4SBC.

Aerial Photography. Aerial photography indicates that the Project Area begins on the east side of Malmo, MN and ends approximately 6.50 miles east of Dads Corner, MN. The Project Area is a mix of roadway, trail, wetland, grassland, and wooded areas. The properties located near the Project Area are a mix of roadway, trail, wooded areas, grassland, wetland, and homesteads.

Public Waters Inventory. Minnesota Department of Natural Resources (MNDNR) Public Waters Inventory identifies three public waters within the Project Area (Figure 4). Unnamed stream (DNR hydro ID: #124455), Unnamed Waterbody (DNR Hydro ID: #62119), and Unnamed Stream (DNR Hydro ID: #123944) are located within the Project Area.

Soils. According to the Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) Web Soil Survey, 21 soil types are mapped within the Project Area (Figure 5). Table 1 below depicts the Soil Map Unit Symbol, Soil Map Unit Name, and Hydric Soil Rating located within the Project Area.

Precipitation. The USACE Antecedent Precipitation Tool indicates that the multi-month precipitation score was considered to be within the wet range when using the three

months prior to the field work being completed (April through June 2024). The antecedent precipitation information is included in Appendix B.

IV. Delineation Results

A total of 108 wetland basins and 5 wetlands in ditches constructed through uplands were identified and delineated within the Project Area. The Project Area was divided into three areas because of its size. The western portion of the Project area began numbering at Wetland 1, the middle portion of the Project Area began numbering at Wetland 100, and the eastern portion of the Project area began numbering at Wetland 200. The basins are identified as Wetland 1 through Wetland 67, Wetland 100 through Wetland 105, and Wetland 200 through Wetland 234 for the purpose of this report (Figure 6). The wetlands in ditches, constructed through uplands, are identified as Wetland Ditch 1 through Wetland Ditch 5, for the purpose of this report. Three perennial streams and four intermittent streams were identified and delineated within the Project Area. The streams are identified as Stream 1 through Stream 7 for the purpose of this Report. The delineation was not completed beyond the existing roadways because the roadways do not need to be improved. The photos of the wetlands, wetland ditches, streams, and sample points are found in Appendix C.

Thirty-four sample points were completed to assist with delineating the wetland boundaries. The sample points were completed in all wetland types, except the Type 8, Coniferous Bog. The Type 8, Coniferous Bog wetland was dominated by black spruce (*Picea mariana*), the topsoil is peat, and the water table is located near the surface.

Sample Points 1, 2, and 3 were completed in areas identified by the NWI. These sample points did not meet the wetland criteria, so these NWI areas are upland within the Project Area.

There are isolated wet areas located on the existing trail that were created in upland because of the previous trail construction. The location of these wet areas will be provided if requested.

Tables listing each wetland, wetland ditch, and waterway as identified on Figure 6 with the associated size and type can be found on Table 2, Table 3, and Table 4 in the attached Tables section.

V. Discussion and Conclusions

Widseth conducted an aquatic resources delineation of a 112.4-acre Project Area located in Aitkin County, Minnesota. The objective of the wetland delineation survey was to identify the extent and spatial arrangement of aquatic resources located within the Project Area.

108 wetland basins totaling 18.84 acres, five wetland ditches constructed through uplands totaling 0.11 acres (1,498 linear feet), and seven streams totaling 0.08 acres (309 linear feet) were identified and delineated within the Project Area.

Widseth Project No. 2020-10981 September 2024 All the wetlands and waterways identified may be subject to the jurisdiction of the WCA, the MNDNR, and the USACE.

VI. Standard of Care

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This wetland delineation was completed in accordance with the 1987 Manual along with the Regional Supplement for the Region. The Standard of Care follows the manual and conforms to the criteria and methods utilized by professionals in this area of practice at this time. This report was prepared by and reviewed by a Widseth professional with a background in the environmental and/or natural sciences.

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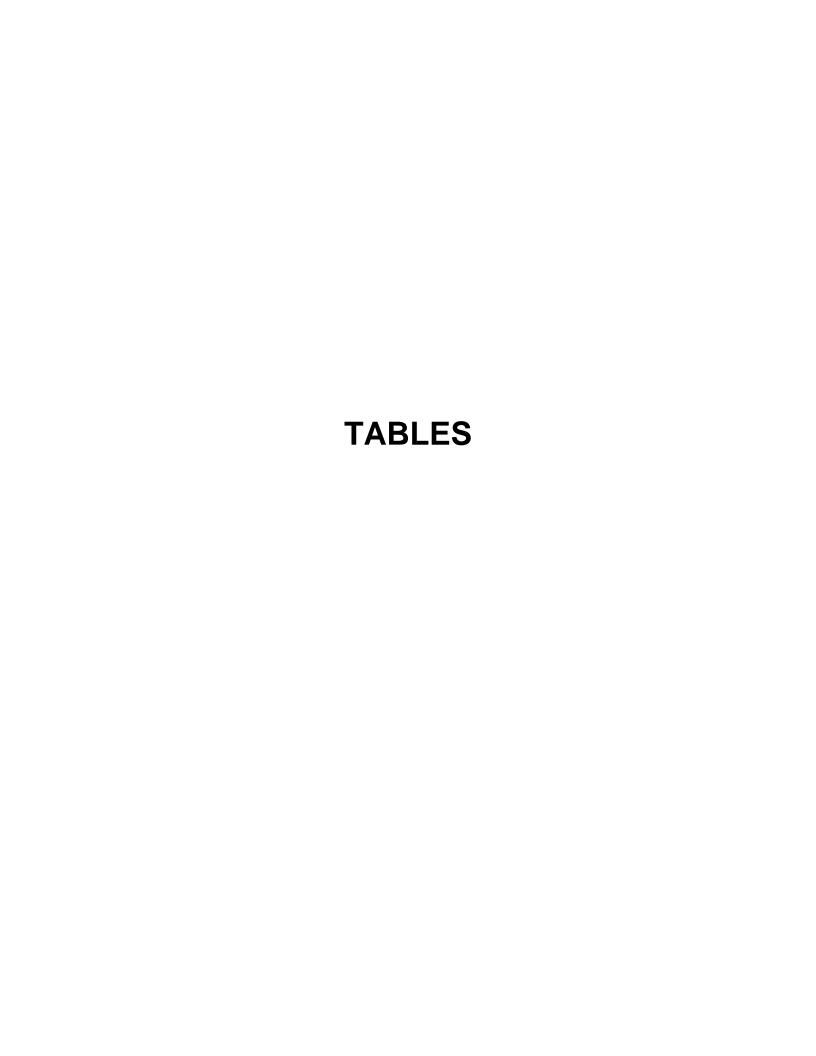


Table 1. Summary of Soils within the Project Area

Soil Map Unit Symbol	Soil Map Unit Name	Hydric Soil Rating
186	Nemadji loamy fine sand	10
188B	Omega loamy fine sand, 2 to 6 percent slopes	3
188C	Omega loamy fine sand, 6 to 12 percent slopes	3
218	Watab fine sand	90
268C	Cromwell sandy loam, 6 to 12 percent slopes	7
454B	Mahtomedi loamy coarse sand, 2 to 6 percent slopes	4
533	Loxley peat	97
543	Markey muck	97
685	Oesterle fine sandy loam	3
732B	Bushville loamy fine sand, 1 to 6 percent slopes	10
1984	Leafriver muck	97
C4A	Cebana-Giese, frequently ponded- Ronneby complex, 0 to 3 percent slopes, stony	85
C9B	Mora-Ronneby complex, 1 to 4 percent slopes, stony	10
C28A	Cathro-Twig, stony complex, 0 to 1 percent slopes, frequently ponded	100
C71C	Milaca-Mora complex, 1 to 7 percent slopes, stony	5
C72D	Milaca-Millward complex, 2 to 20 percent slopes, stony	5
C73C	Milaca loam, 1 to 7 percent slopes, stony	1
C75A	Seelyeville, occasionally ponded- Cathro, frequently ponded, complex, 0 to 1 percent slopes	100

C101A	Greenwood mucky peat, 0 to 1 percent slopes	100
C158	Rifle mucky peat, 0 to 1 percent slopes, occasionally ponded	100
C211	Bowstring and Fluvaquents, loamy, 0 to 2 percent slopes, frequently flooded	100

Table 2. Summary of Wetlands within the Project Area

Wetland ID	Wetland Sq Ft (Ac)	Wetland Type
Wetland 1	2,936 (0.07)	Type 2, Fresh (Wet) Meadow
		(Eggers and Reed Community 19B)
Wetland 2	3,682 (0.08)	Type 2, Fresh (Wet) Meadow
		(Eggers and Reed Community 19B)
Wetland 3	14,078 (0.32)	Type 2, Fresh (Wet) Meadow
		(Eggers and Reed Community 19B)
Wetland 4	46,006 (1.06)	Type 3, Shallow Marsh
		(Eggers and Reed Community 12B)
Wetland 5	30,611 (0.70)	Type 2, Sedge Meadow
		(Eggers and Reed Community 17B)
		&Type 3, Shallow Marsh
		(Eggers and Reed Community 12B)
Wetland 6	15,074 (0.35)	Type 2, Fresh (Wet) Meadow
		(Eggers and Reed Community 19B)
		& Type 3, Shallow Marsh
		(Eggers and Reed Community 12B)
Wetland 7	25,408 (0.58)	Type 2, Fresh (Wet) Meadow
		(Eggers and Reed Community 19B)
		& Type 3, Shallow Marsh
		(Eggers and Reed Community 12B)
		& Type 6, Shrub-Carr
		(Eggers and Reed Community 9B)
		& Type 7, Hardwood Swamp
		(Eggers and Reed Community 4A)
Wetland 8	8,153 (0.19)	Type 2, Fresh (Wet) Meadow
		(Eggers and Reed Community 19B)
		& Type 7, Hardwood Swamp
		(Eggers and Reed Community 4A)
Wetland 9	4,229 (0.10)	Type 2, Fresh (Wet) Meadow
		(Eggers and Reed Community 19B)
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Wetland 10	100,445 (2.31)	Type 2, Sedge Meadow
		(Eggers and Reed Community 17B)
		& Type 6, Shrub-Carr
		(Eggers and Reed Community 9B)
		& Type 7, Hardwood Swamp
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Wetland 11	18,973 (0.44)	Type 2, Sedge Meadow
Matter 140	0.047 (0.00)	(Eggers and Reed Community 17B)
Wetland 12	2,617 (0.06)	Type 7, Hardwood Swamp
		(Eggers and Reed Community 4A)

Wetland 13	231 (0.01)	Type 7, Hardwood Swamp
		(Eggers and Reed Community 4A)
Wetland 14	2,733 (0.06)	Type 7, Hardwood Swamp
		(Eggers and Reed Community 4A)
Wetland 15	1,038 (0.02)	Type 7, Hardwood Swamp
		(Eggers and Reed Community 4A)
Wetland 16	2,507 (0.06)	Type 7, Hardwood Swamp
		(Eggers and Reed Community 4A)
Wetland 17	5,463 (0.13)	Type 7, Hardwood Swamp
		(Eggers and Reed Community 4A)
Wetland 18	9,260 (0.21)	Type 7, Hardwood Swamp
		(Eggers and Reed Community 4A)
Wetland 19	10,532 (0.24)	Type 7, Hardwood Swamp
		(Eggers and Reed Community 4A)
Wetland 20	15,547 (0.36)	Type 2, Fresh (Wet) Meadow
		(Eggers and Reed Community 19B)
		& Type 6, Alder Thicket
		(Eggers and Reed Community 9A)
		& Type 7, Hardwood Swamp
		(Eggers and Reed Community 4A)
Wetland 21	1,662 (0.04)	Type 6, Shrub-Carr
		(Eggers and Reed Community 9B)
Wetland 22	77,522 (1.78)	Type 6, Alder Thicket
		(Eggers and Reed Community 9A)
		& Type 7, Hardwood Swamp
		(Eggers and Reed Community 4A)
		& Type 8 Coniferous Bog
		(Eggers and Reed Community 5A)
Wetland 23	1,838 (0.04)	Type 2, Sedge Meadow
		(Eggers and Reed Community 17B)
Wetland 24	2,396 (0.06)	Type 7, Hardwood Swamp
		(Eggers and Reed Community 4A)
Wetland 25	1,404 (0.03)	Type 2, Fresh (Wet) Meadow
		(Eggers and Reed Community 19B)
Wetland 26	1,047 (0.02)	Type 7, Hardwood Swamp
		(Eggers and Reed Community 4A)
Wetland 27	6,511 (0.15)	Type 2, Fresh (Wet) Meadow
		(Eggers and Reed Community 19B)
Wetland 28	742 (0.02)	Type 7, Hardwood Swamp
		(Eggers and Reed Community 4A)
Wetland 29	267 (0.01)	Type 7, Hardwood Swamp
		(Eggers and Reed Community 4A)
Wetland 30	3,915 (0.09)	Type 6, Shrub-Carr
		(Eggers and Reed Community 9B)
Wetland 31	7,039 (0.16)	Type 2, Fresh (Wet) Meadow
		(Eggers and Reed Community 19B)
Wetland 32	95 (0.01)	Type 2, Sedge Meadow
		(Eggers and Reed Community 17B),
Wetland 33	1,452 (0.03)	Type 2, Fresh (Wet) Meadow
		(Eggers and Reed Community 19B)
Wetland 34	1,112 (0.03)	Type 2, Fresh (Wet) Meadow
		(Eggers and Reed Community 19B)

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Wetland 35	1,040 (0.02)	Type 7, Hardwood Swamp
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Wetland 36	204 (0.01)	Type 2, Fresh (Wet) Meadow (Eggers and Reed Community 19B)
Wetland 37	212 (0.01)	Type 7, Hardwood Swamp
		(Eggers and Reed Community 4A)
Wetland 38	1,124 (0.03)	Type 7, Hardwood Swamp
		(Eggers and Reed Community 4A)
Wetland 39	302 (0.01)	Type 7, Hardwood Swamp
		(Eggers and Reed Community 4A)
Wetland 40	1,800 (0.04)	Type 2, Fresh (Wet) Meadow
		(Eggers and Reed Community 19B)
Wetland 41	519 (0.01)	Type 7, Hardwood Swamp
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Wetland 42	2,239 (0.05)	Type 7, Hardwood Swamp
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Wetland 43	1,154 (0.03)	Type 7, Hardwood Swamp
Wetland 44	5,027 (0.12)	(Eggers and Reed Community 4A) Type 2, Fresh (Wet) Meadow
vvelianu 44	5,027 (0.12)	(Eggers and Reed Community 19B)
		& Type 7, Hardwood Swamp
		(Eggers and Reed Community 4A)
Wetland 45	297 (0.01)	Type 2, Fresh (Wet) Meadow
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Wetland 46	223 (0.01)	Type 7, Hardwood Swamp
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Wetland 47	3,541 (0.08)	Type 7, Hardwood Swamp
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Wetland 48	14,669 (0.34)	Type 2, Sedge Meadow
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		& Type 6, Scrub-Carr
		(Eggers and Reed Community 9B)
Wetland 49	524 (0.01)	Type 7, Hardwood Swamp
		(Eggers and Reed Community 4A)
Wetland 50	1,358 (0.03)	Type 7, Hardwood Swamp
	, ,	(Eggers and Reed Community 4A)
Wetland 51	569 (0.01)	Type 7, Hardwood Swamp
		(Eggers and Reed Community 4A)
Wetland 52	58 (0.01)	Type 7, Hardwood Swamp
		(Eggers and Reed Community 4A)
Wetland 53	717 (0.02)	Type 2, Fresh (Wet) Meadow
		(Eggers and Reed Community 19B)
Wetland 54	1,118 (0.03)	Type 2, Fresh (Wet) Meadow
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Wetland 55	172 (0.01)	Type 6, Shrub-Carr
)A/ (I 1.50	747 (0.00)	(Eggers and Reed Community 9B)
Wetland 56	717 (0.02)	Type 6, Shrub-Carr
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Wetland 57	521 (0.01)	Type 6, Shrub-Carr
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Wetland 58	1,763 (0.04)	Type 6, Shrub-Carr
Wetland 59	2.015 (0.05)	(Eggers and Reed Community 9B)
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		(Eggers and Reed Community 9B)
Wetland 60	8,975 (0.21)	Type 6, Shrub-Carr
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Wetland 61	4,961 (0.11)	Type 7, Hardwood Swamp
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Wetland 62	1 404 (0 02)	(Eggers and Reed Community 4A)
vveiland 62	1,404 (0.03)	Type 3, Shallow Marsh
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Wetland 63	4,328 (0.10)	Type 7, Hardwood Swamp
10.4	4 574 (0.04)	(Eggers and Reed Community 4A)
Wetland 64	1,571 (0.04)	Type 7, Hardwood Swamp
10/ 4/ 105	000 (0.04)	(Eggers and Reed Community 4A)
Wetland 65	628 (0.01)	Type 7, Hardwood Swamp
	22 (2.21)	(Eggers and Reed Community 4A)
Wetland 66	86 (0.01)	Type 7, Hardwood Swamp
		(Eggers and Reed Community 4A)
Wetland 67	1,166 (0.03)	Type 2, Fresh (Wet) Meadow
		(Eggers and Reed Community 19B)
Wetland 100	4,113 (0.09)	Type 2, Fresh (Wet) Meadow
		(Eggers and Reed Community 19B)
Wetland 101	83,623 (1.92)	Type 2, Sedge Meadow
		(Eggers and Reed Community 17B)
		& Type 7, Hardwood Swamp
		(Eggers and Reed Community 4A)
Wetland 102	5,588 (0.13)	Type 7, Hardwood Swamp
		(Eggers and Reed Community 4A)
Wetland 103	9,646 (0.22)	Type 6, Shrub-Carr
		(Eggers and Reed Community 9B)
Wetland 104	4,623 (0.11)	Type 6, Shrub-Carr
		(Eggers and Reed Community 9B)
Wetland 105	897 (0.02)	Type 7, Hardwood Swamp
	, ,	(Eggers and Reed Community 4A)
Wetland 200	55,827 (1.28)	Type 2, Fresh (Wet) Meadow
	, ,	(Eggers and Reed Community 19B)
		& Type 3, Shallow Marsh
		(Eggers and Reed Community 12B)
		& Type 6, Shrub-Carr
		(Eggers and Reed Community 9B)
Wetland 201	10,717 (0.25)	Type 3, Shallow Marsh
		(Eggers and Reed Community 12B)
Wetland 202	622 (0.01)	Type 2, Fresh (Wet) Meadow
		(Eggers and Reed Community 19B)
Wetland 203	39,222 (0.90)	Type 2, Fresh (Wet) Meadow
		(Eggers and Reed Community 19B)
		& Type 6, Shrub-Carr
		(Eggers and Reed Community 9B)
Wetland 204	370 (0.01)	Type 6, Shrub-Carr
		(Eggers and Reed Community 9B)
Wetland 205	8,564 (0.20)	Type 7, Hardwood Swamp
	(3.23)	(Eggers and Reed Community 4A)
Wetland 206	929 (0.02)	Type 2, Fresh (Wet) Meadow
	(0.02)	(Eggers and Reed Community 19B)
Wetland 207	1,296 (0.03)	Type 2, Fresh (Wet) Meadow
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		(Eggers and Reed Community 19B)
Wetland 208	716 (0.02)	Type 2, Fresh (Wet) Meadow
		(Eggers and Reed Community 19B)
Wetland 209	2,153 (0.05)	Type 7, Hardwood Swamp
		(Eggers and Reed Community 4A)
Wetland 210	1,548 (0.04)	Type 6, Shrub-Carr
		(Eggers and Reed Community 9B)
Wetland 211	10,394 (0.24)	Type 2, Fresh (Wet) Meadow
		(Eggers and Reed Community 19B)
		& Type 6, Shrub-Carr
		(Eggers and Reed Community 9B)
Wetland 212	2,493 (0.06)	Type 2, Fresh (Wet) Meadow
		(Eggers and Reed Community 19B)
		& Type 6, Shrub-Carr
		(Eggers and Reed Community 9B)
Wetland 213	15,245 (0.35)	Type 2, Fresh (Wet) Meadow
		(Eggers and Reed Community 19B)
		& Type 6, Shrub-Carr
		(Eggers and Reed Community 9B)
Wetland 214	238 (0.01)	Type 2, Fresh (Wet) Meadow
		(Eggers and Reed Community 19B)
Wetland 215	955 (0.02)	Type 6, Shrub-Carr
		(Eggers and Reed Community 9B)
Wetland 216	23,527 (0.54)	Type 2, Sedge Meadow
		(Eggers and Reed Community 17B)
		& Type 6, Shrub-Carr
		(Eggers and Reed Community 9B)
Wetland 217	5,910 (0.14)	Type 2, Fresh (Wet) Meadow
		(Eggers and Reed Community 19B)
Wetland 218	3,295 (0.08)	Type 6, Shrub-Carr
		(Eggers and Reed Community 9B)
Wetland 219	937 (0.02)	Type 6, Shrub-Carr
		(Eggers and Reed Community 9B)
Wetland 220	2,818 (0.06)	Type 2, Fresh (Wet) Meadow
		(Eggers and Reed Community 19B)
Wetland 221	3,696 (0.08)	Type 6, Shrub-Carr
		(Eggers and Reed Community 9B)
Wetland 222	429 (0.01)	Type 2, Fresh (Wet) Meadow
		(Eggers and Reed Community 19B)
Wetland 223	1,323 (0.03)	Type 2, Fresh (Wet) Meadow
		(Eggers and Reed Community 19B)
Wetland 224	1,152 (0.03)	Type 7, Hardwood Swamp
		(Eggers and Reed Community 4A)
Wetland 225	657 (0.02)	Type 7, Hardwood Swamp
		(Eggers and Reed Community 4A)
Wetland 226	134 (0.01)	Type 7, Hardwood Swamp
		(Eggers and Reed Community 4A)
Wetland 227	1,670 (0.04)	Type 7, Hardwood Swamp
		(Eggers and Reed Community 4A)
Wetland 228	129 (0.01)	Type 7, Hardwood Swamp
		(Eggers and Reed Community 4A)
Wetland 229	469 (0.01)	Type 2, Sedge Meadow
		(Eggers and Reed Community 17B)

Wetland 230	3,104 (0.07)	Type 7, Hardwood Swamp
		(Eggers and Reed Community 4A)
Wetland 231	7,557 (0.17)	Type 2, Sedge Meadow
		(Eggers and Reed Community 17B)
		& Type 7 Hardwood Swamp
		(Egger and Reed Community 4A)
Wetland 232	1,474 (0.03)	Type 7, Hardwood Swamp
		(Eggers and Reed Community 4A)
Wetland 233	7,770 (0.18)	Type 2, Sedge Meadow
		(Eggers and Reed Community 17B)
		& Type 6 Shrub-Carr
		(Eggers and Reed Community 9B)
Wetland 234	3,451 (0.08)	Type 7, Hardwood Swamp
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Total	820,808 (18.84)*	N/A

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Table 3. Summary of Wetland Ditches within the Project Area

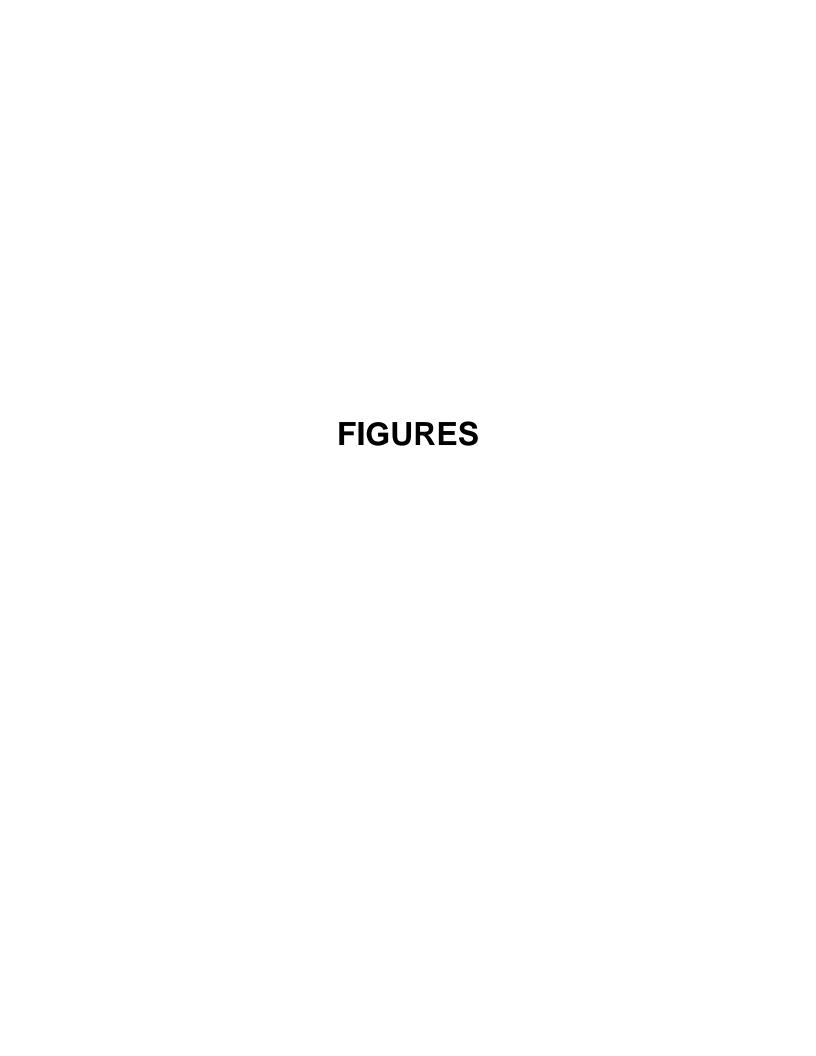
Wetland Ditch ID	Wetland Sq Ft (Ac) (Linear Ft)	Wetland Type
Wetland Ditch 1	1,213 (0.03) (408)	Type 2, Fresh (Wet) Meadow)
		(Eggers and Reed Community 19B)
Wetland Ditch 2	2,471 (0.06) (819)	Type 2, Fresh (Wet) Meadow
		(Eggers and Reed Community 19B)
Wetland Ditch 3	711 (0.02) (168)	Type 2, Fresh (Wet) Meadow
		(Eggers and Reed Community 19B)
Wetland Ditch 4	68 (0.01) (34)	Type 2, Fresh (Wet) Meadow
		(Eggers and Reed Community 19B)
Wetland Ditch 5	207 (0.01) (69)	Type 2, Fresh (Wet) Meadow
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Total	4,670 (0.11) (1,498)*	N/A

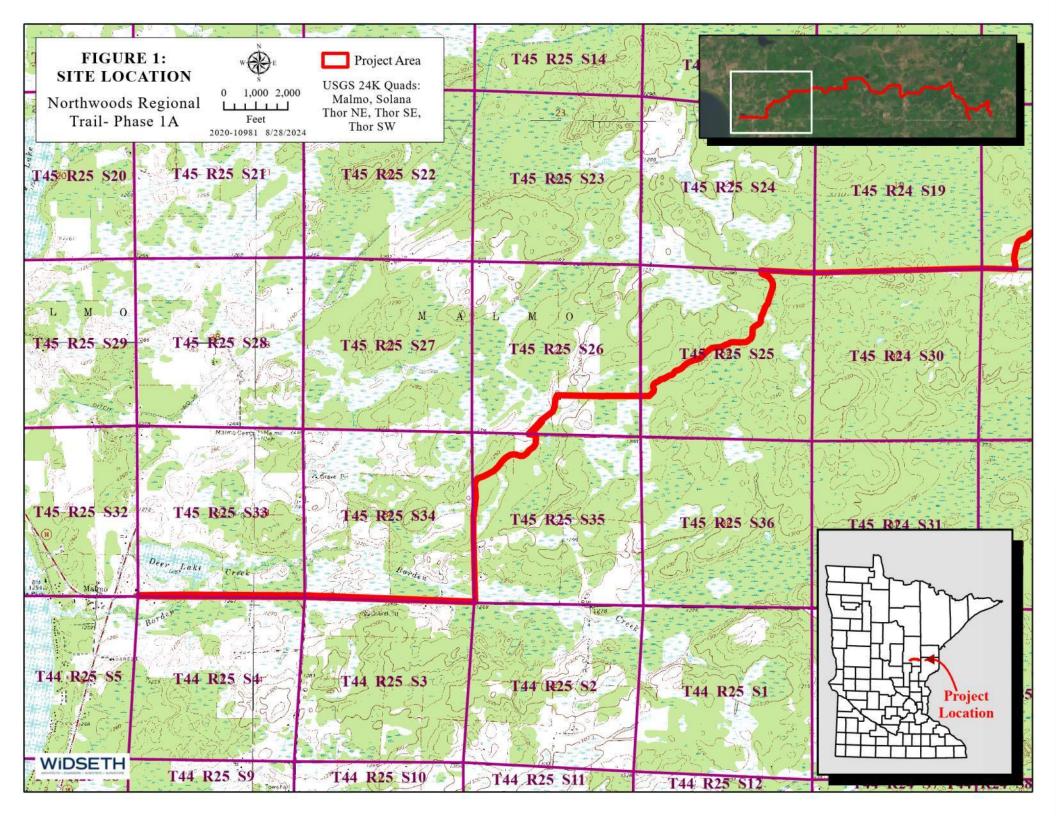
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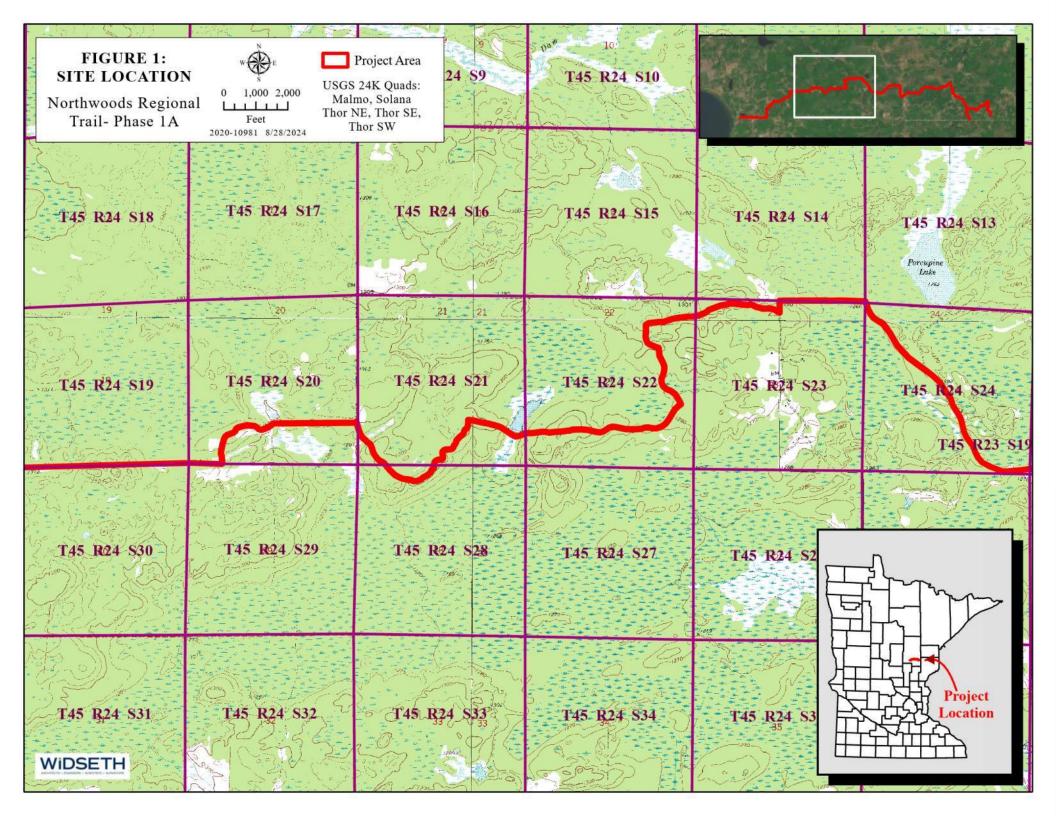
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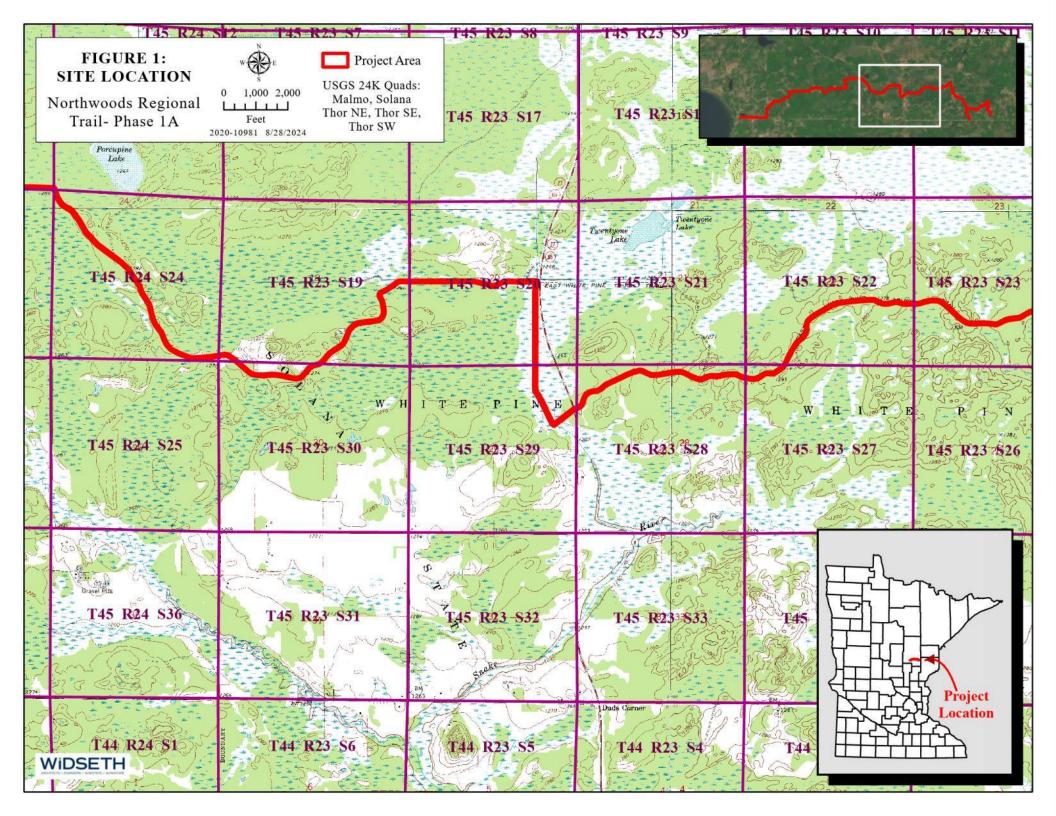
Wetland Ditch ID	Stream Sq. Ft. (Ac) (Lin Ft)	Waterway Type
Stream 1	1,322 (0.03) (53)	Perennial
Stream 2	119 (0.01) (35)	Intermittent
Stream 3	122 (0.01) (34)	Intermittent
Stream 4	291 (0.01) (82)	Intermittent
Stream 5	306 (0.01) (34)	Intermittent
Stream 6	433 (0.01) (36)	Perennial
Stream 7	682 (0.02) (35)	Perennial
Total	3,275 (0.08) (309)*	N/A

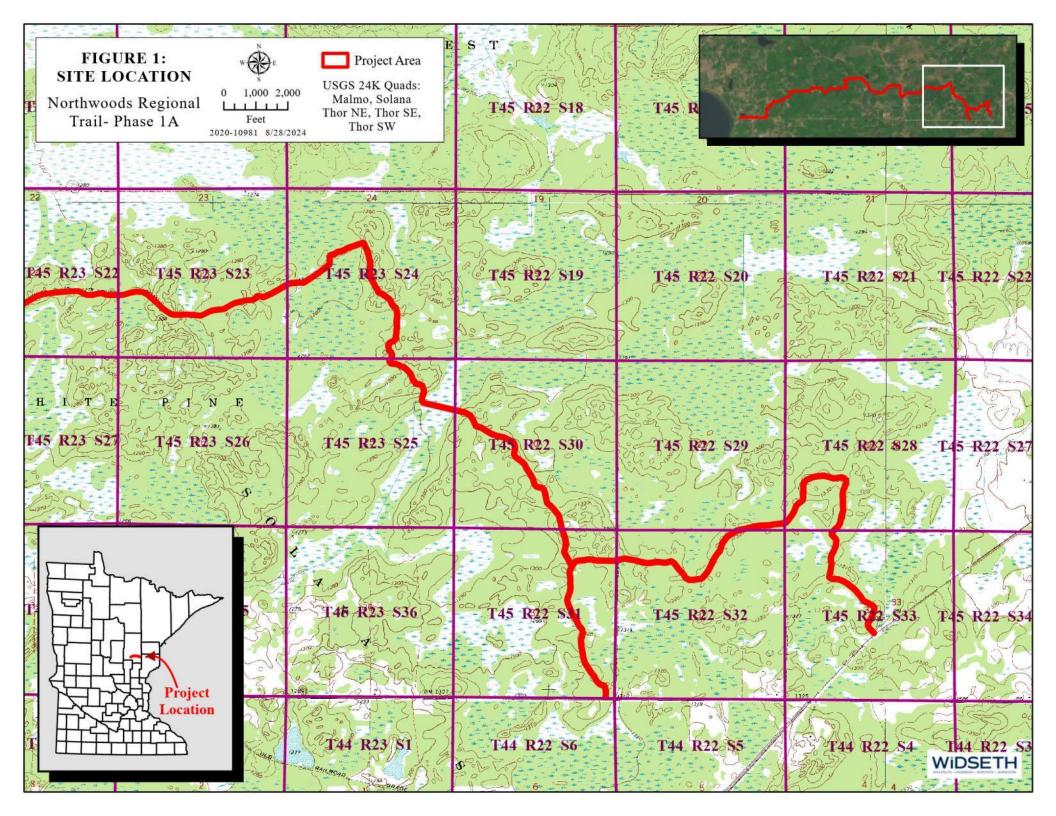
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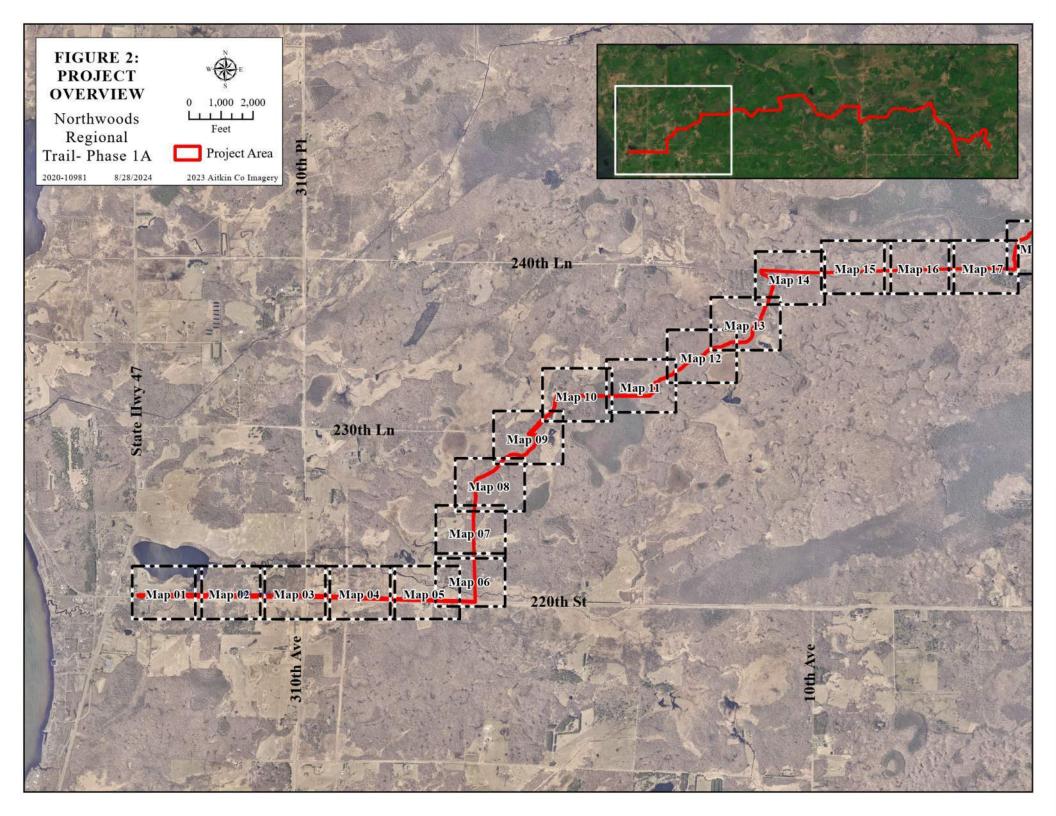


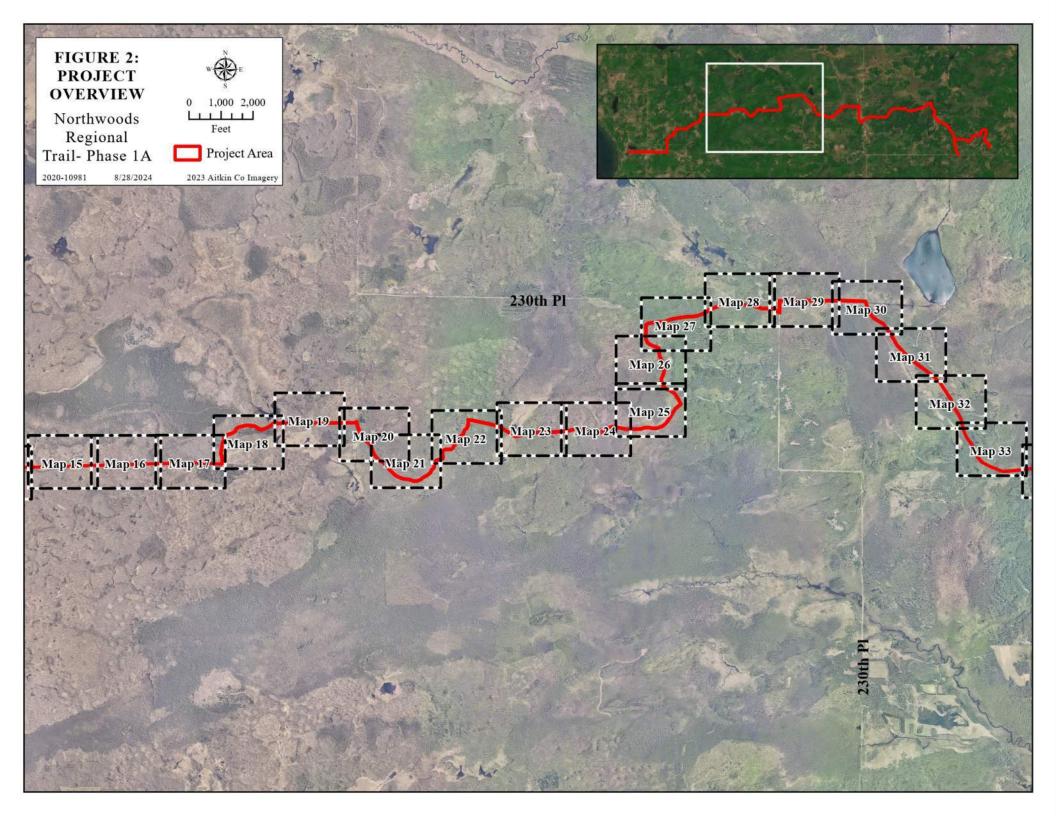


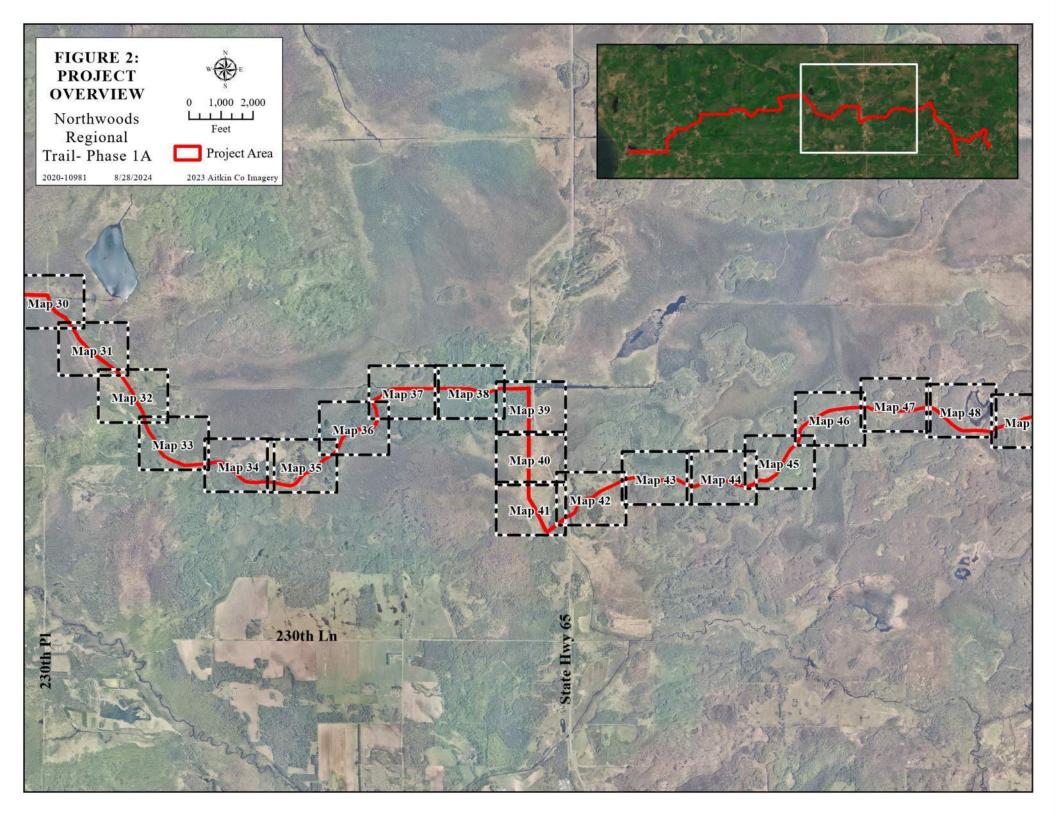


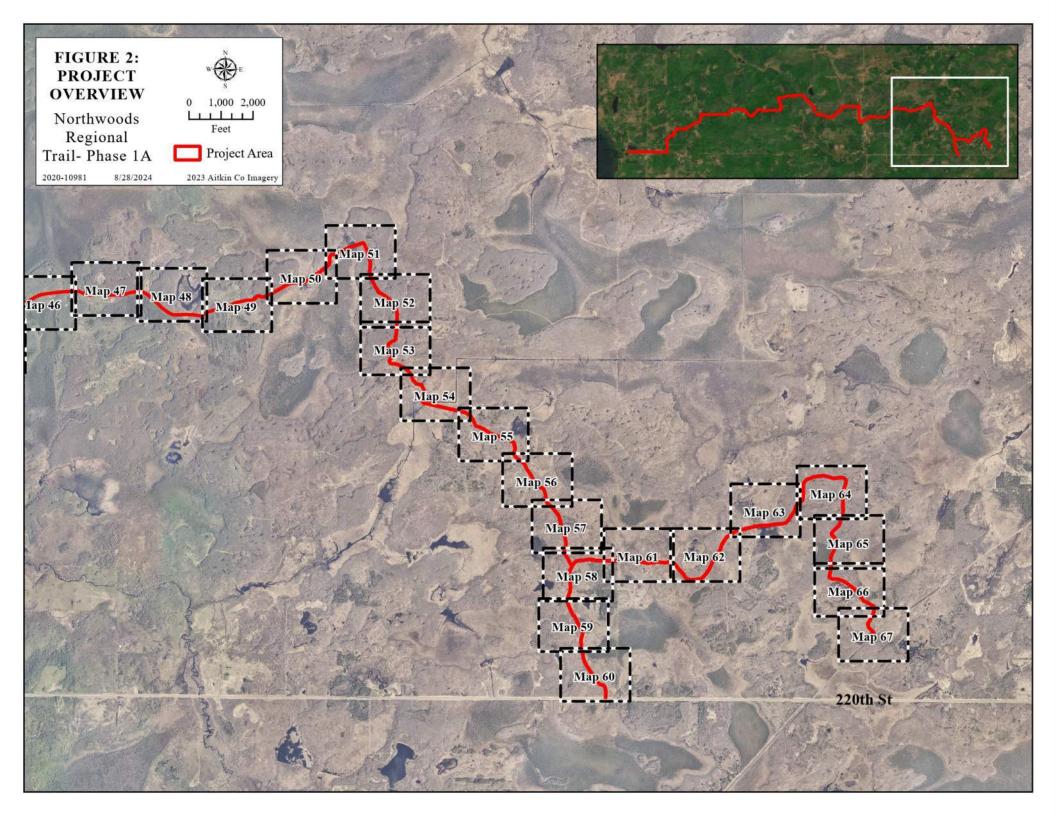


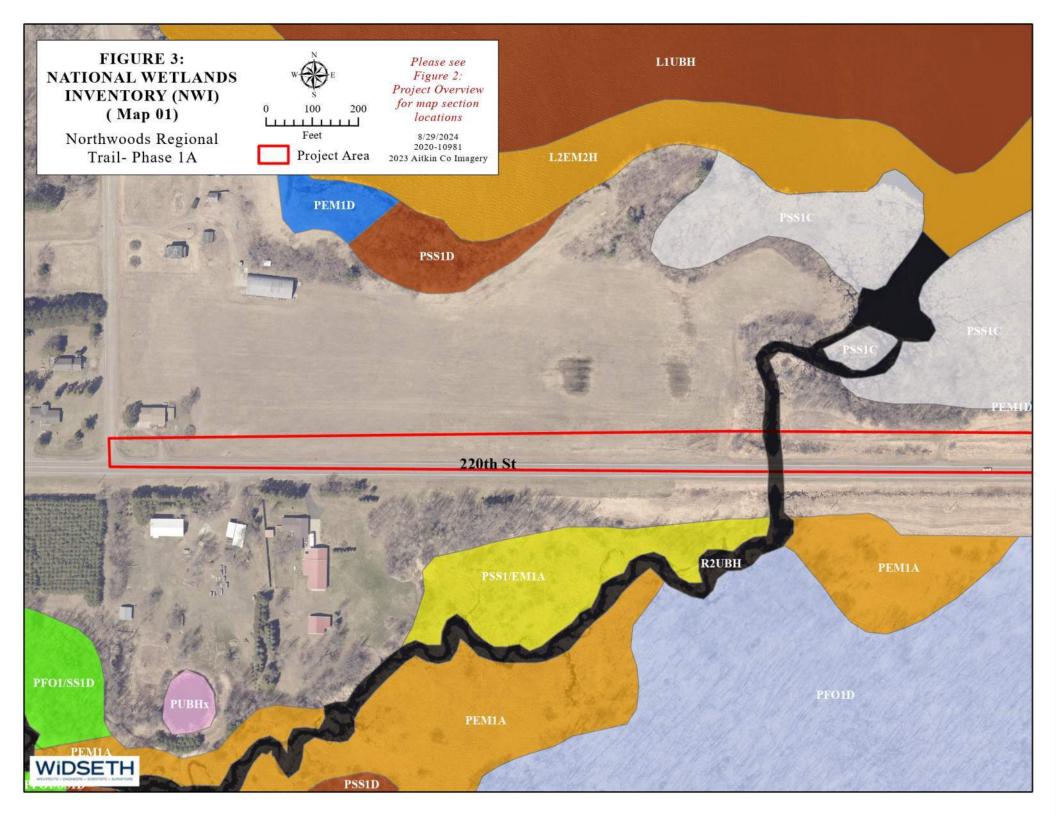


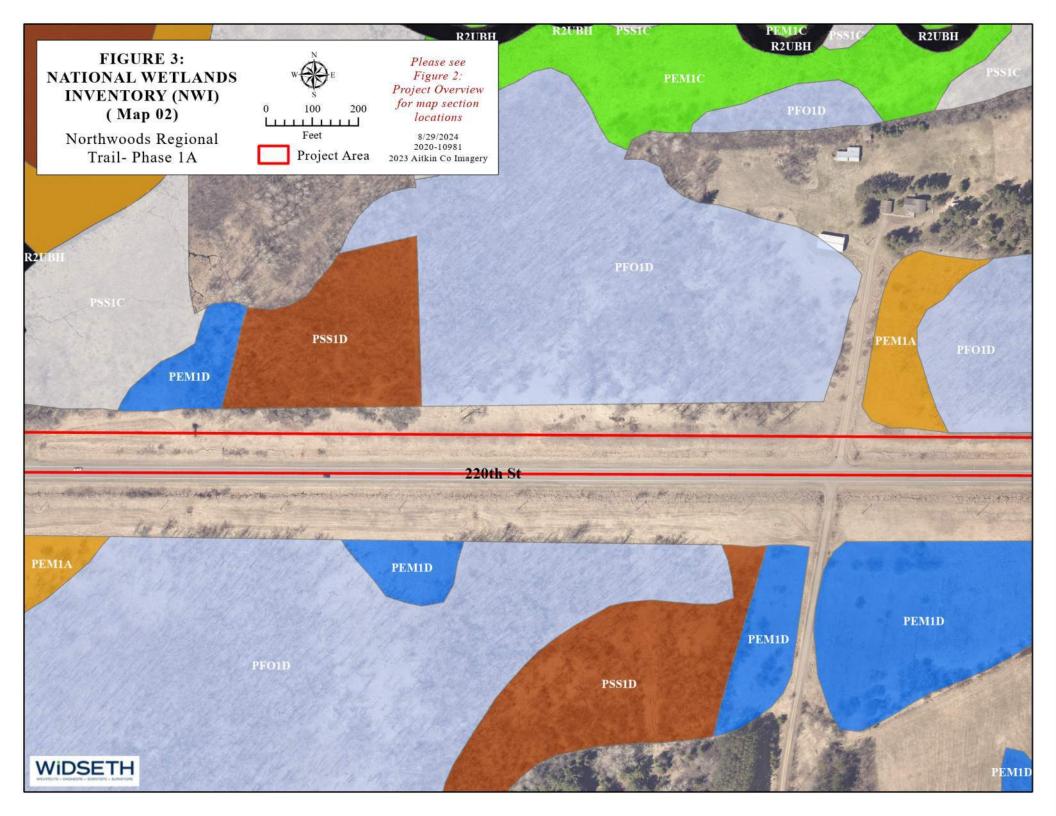


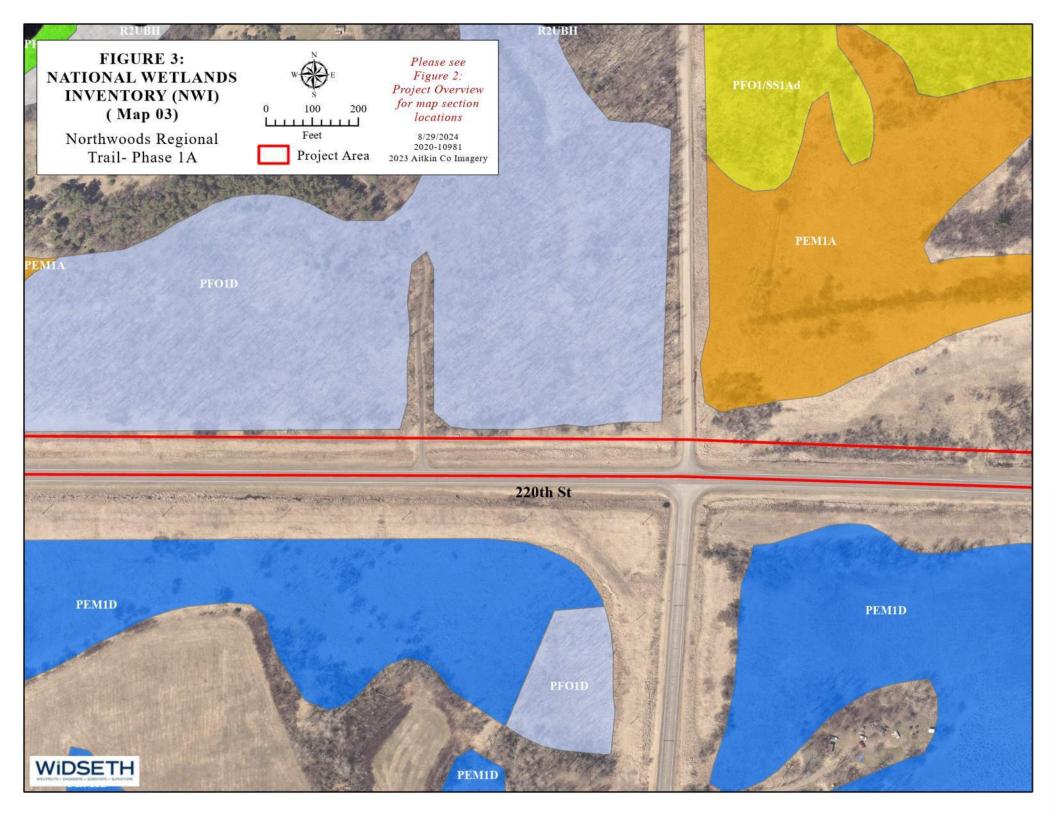


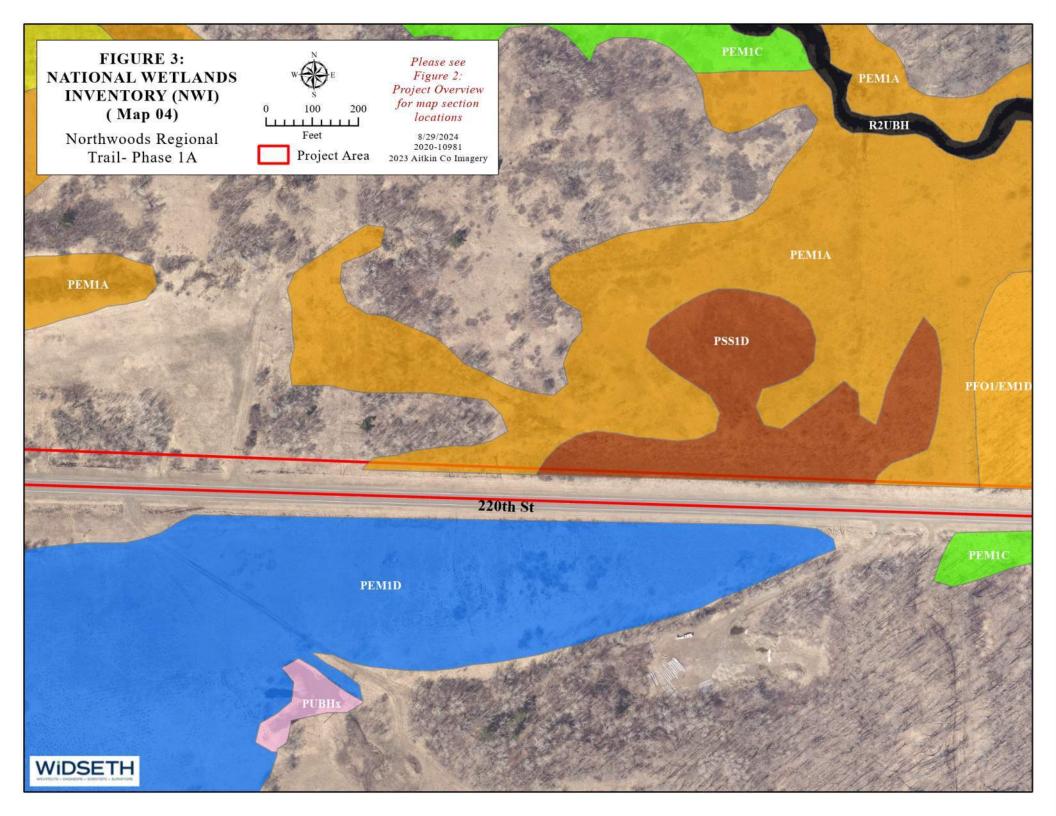


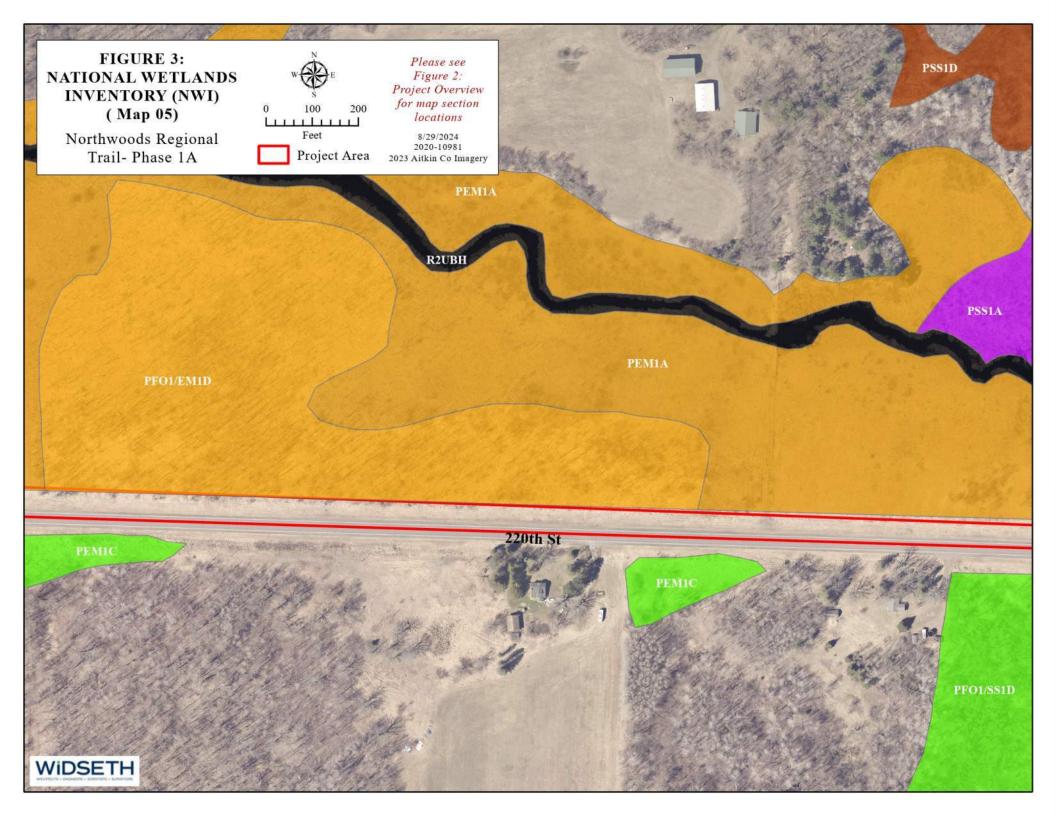


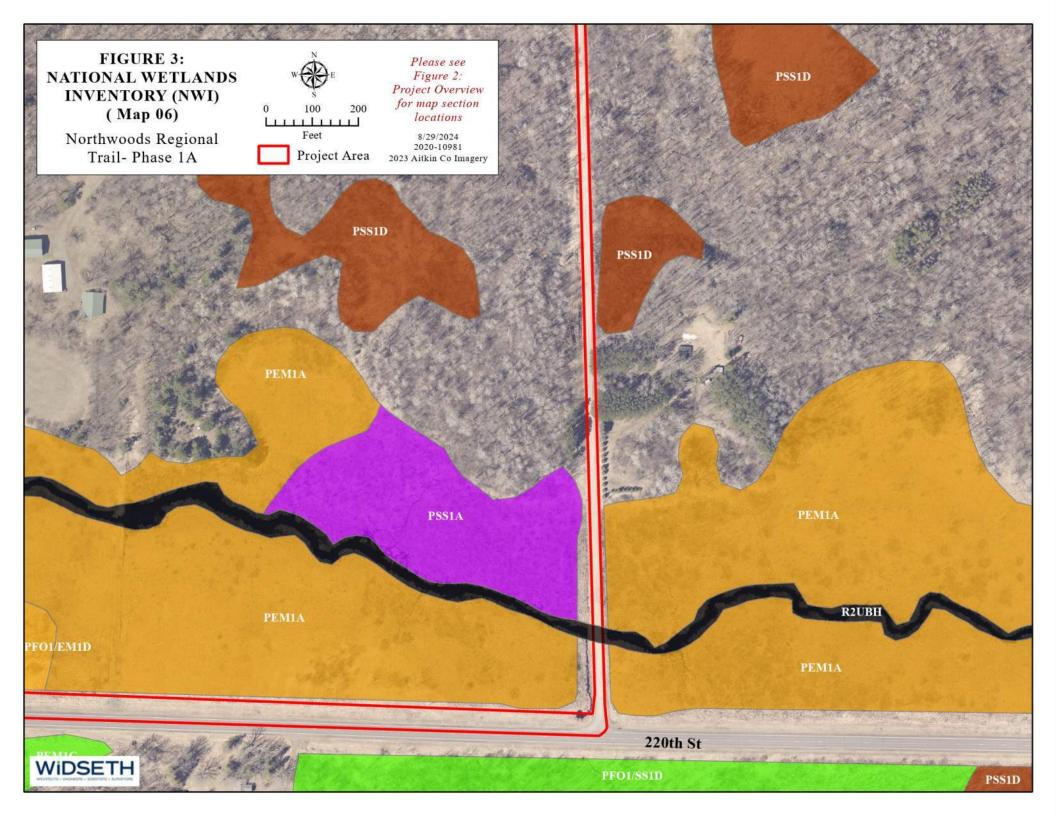


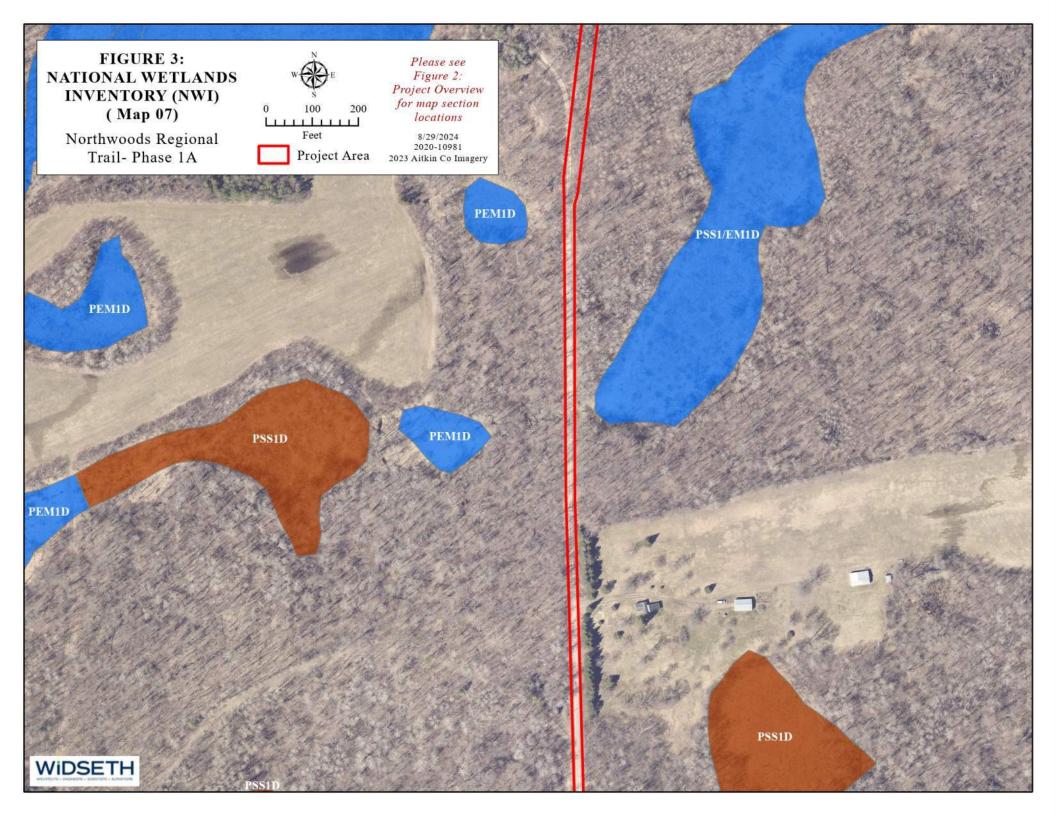


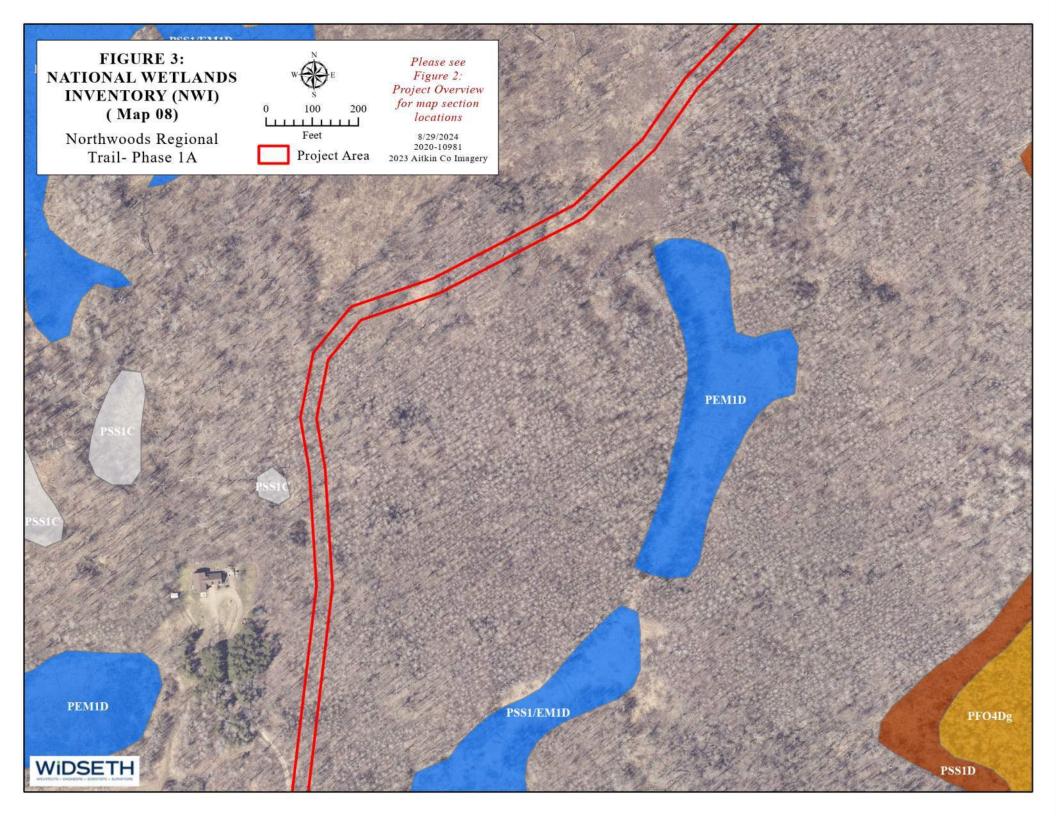


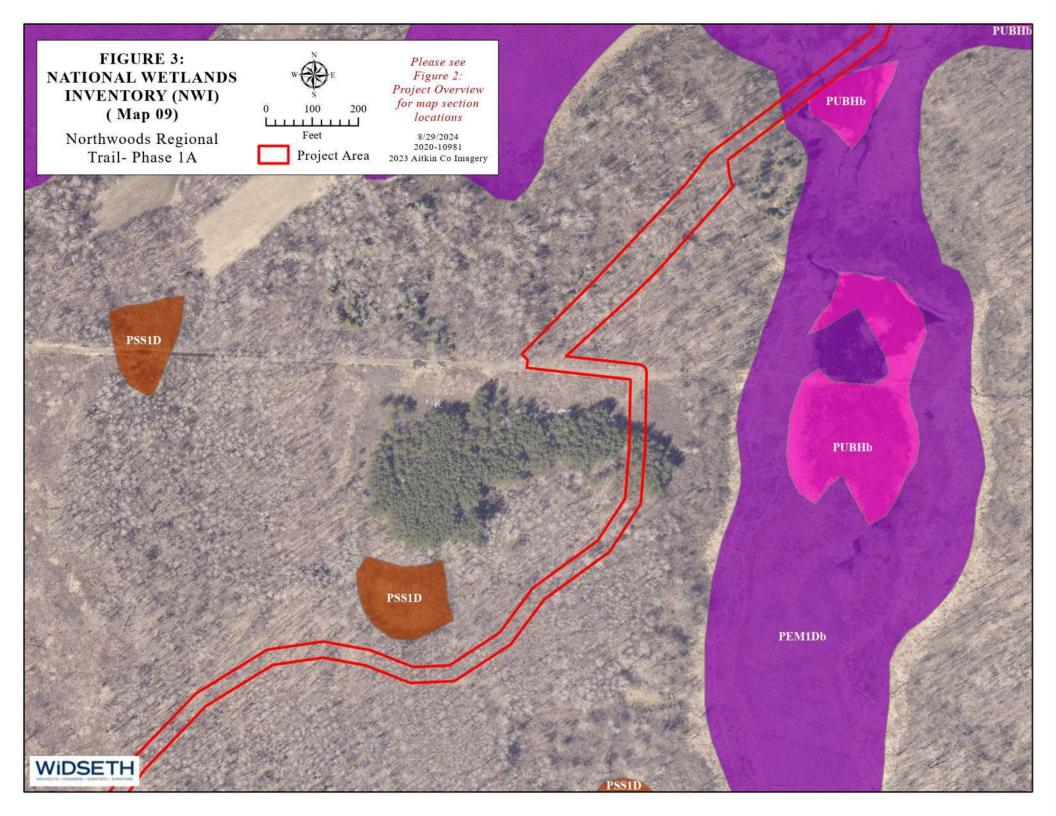


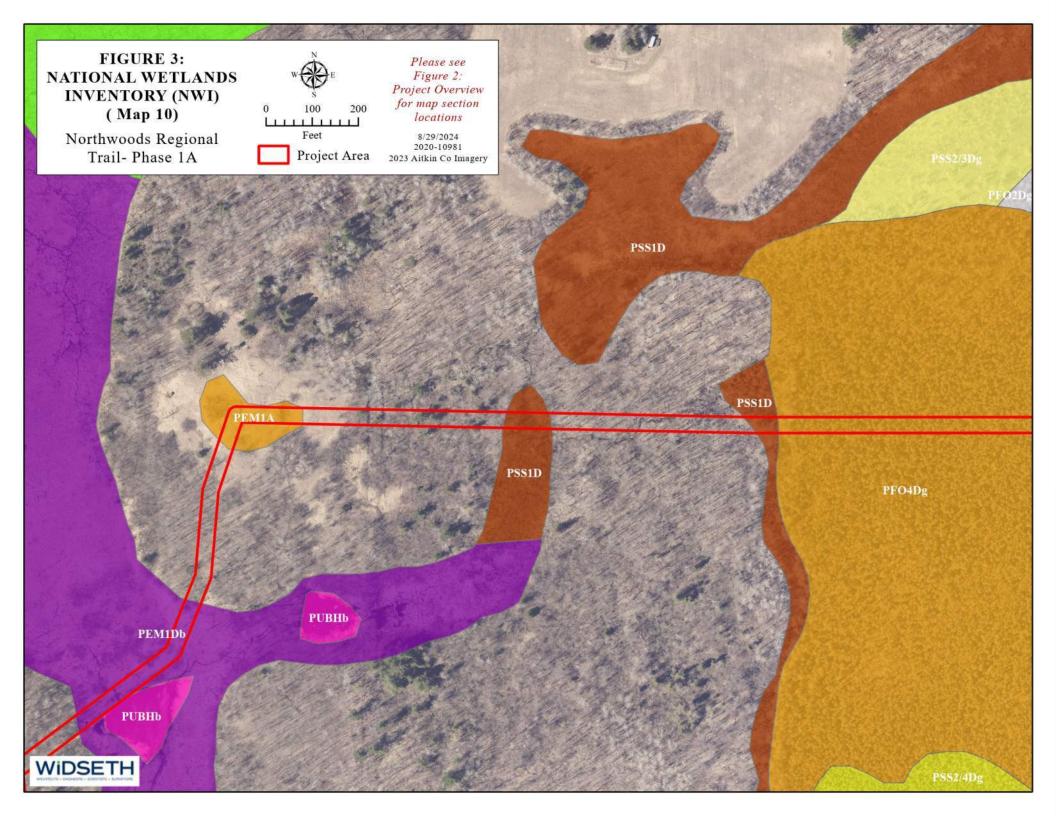


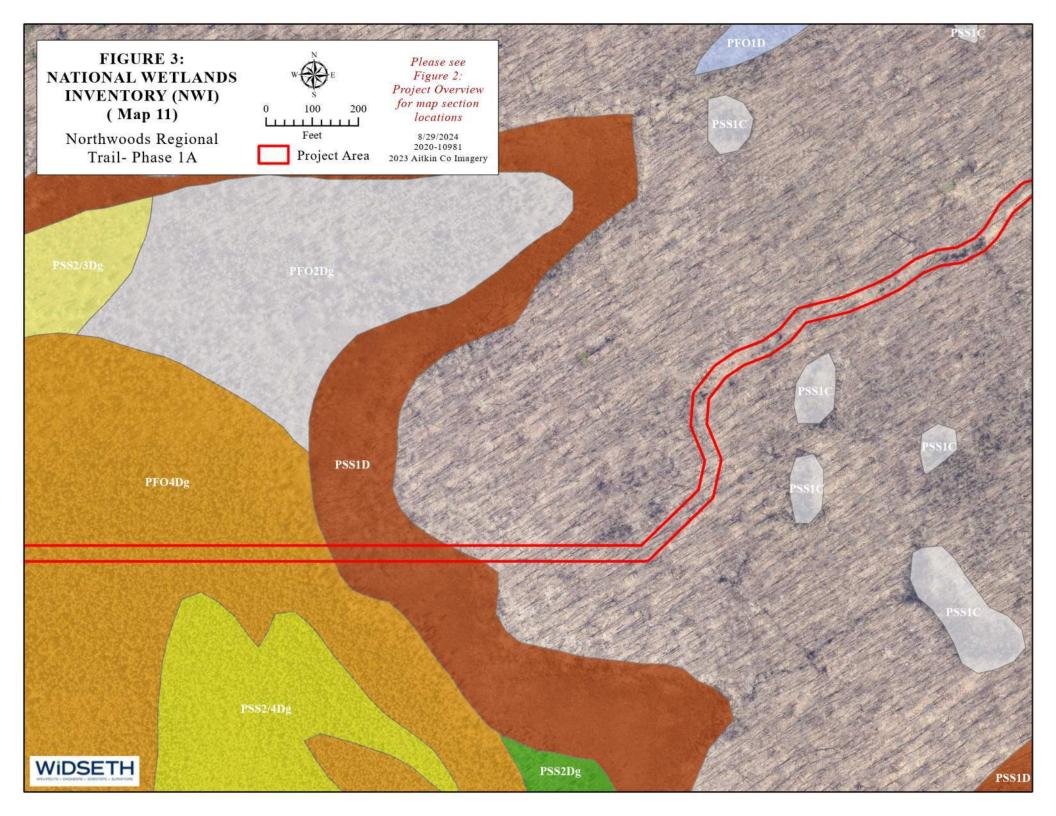


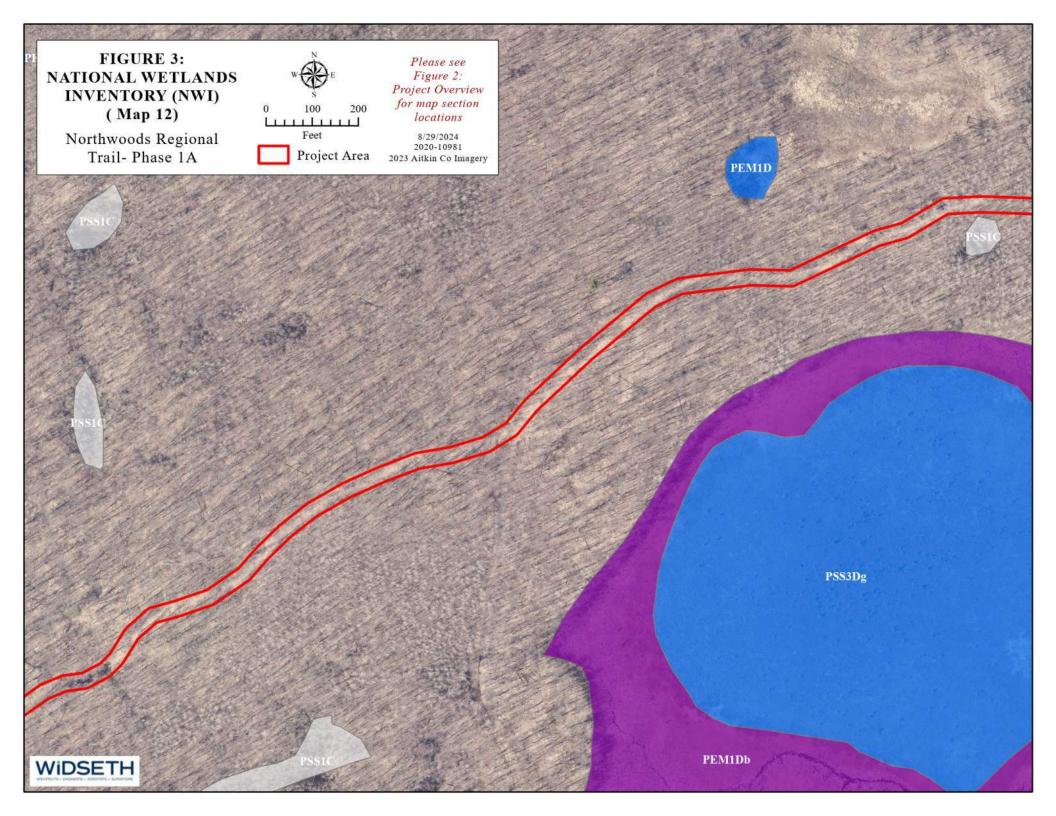


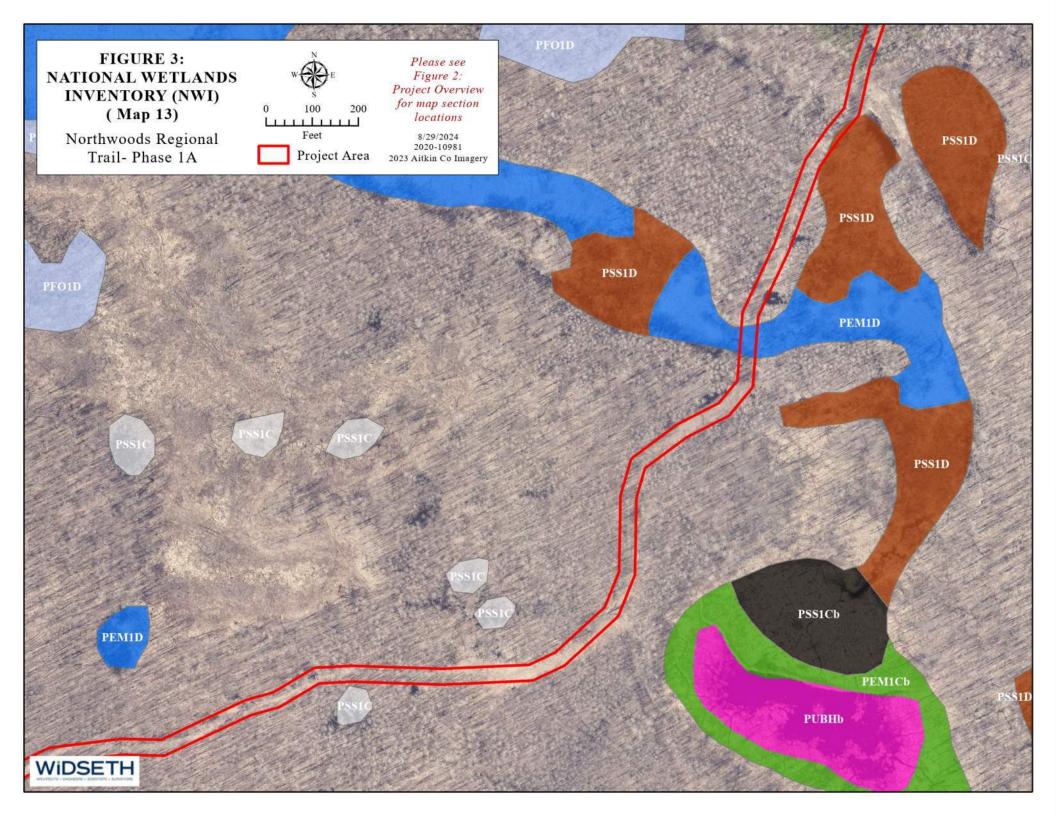


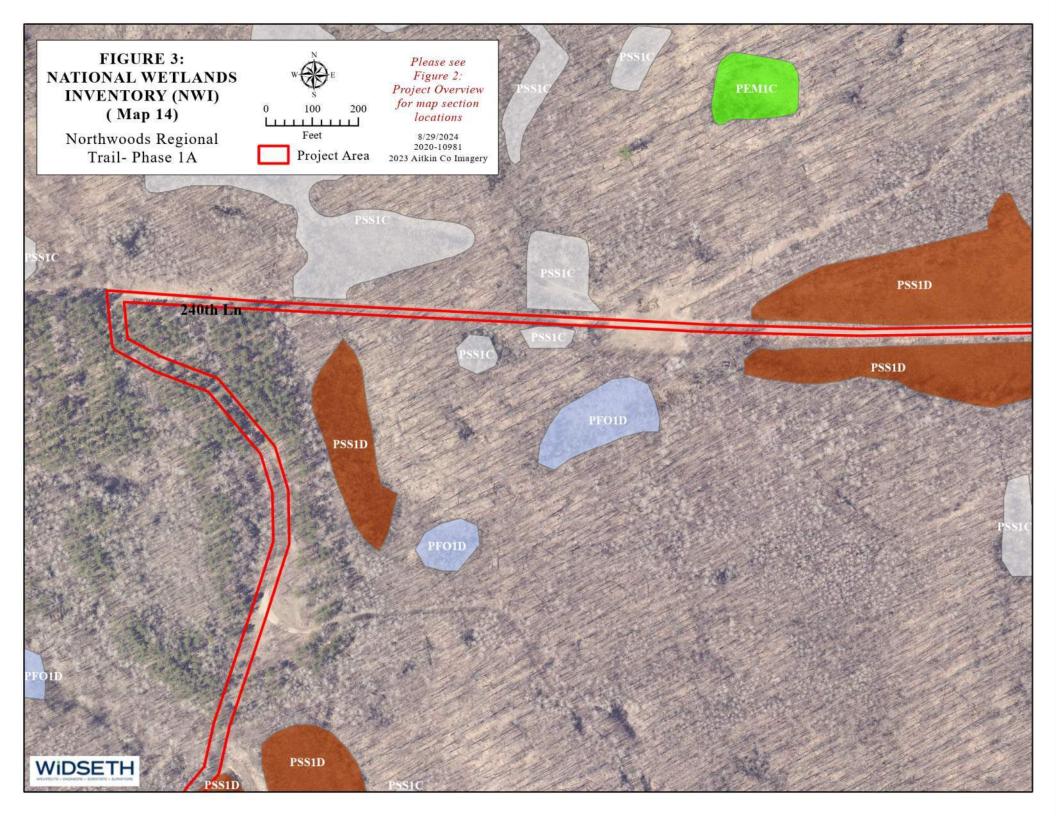


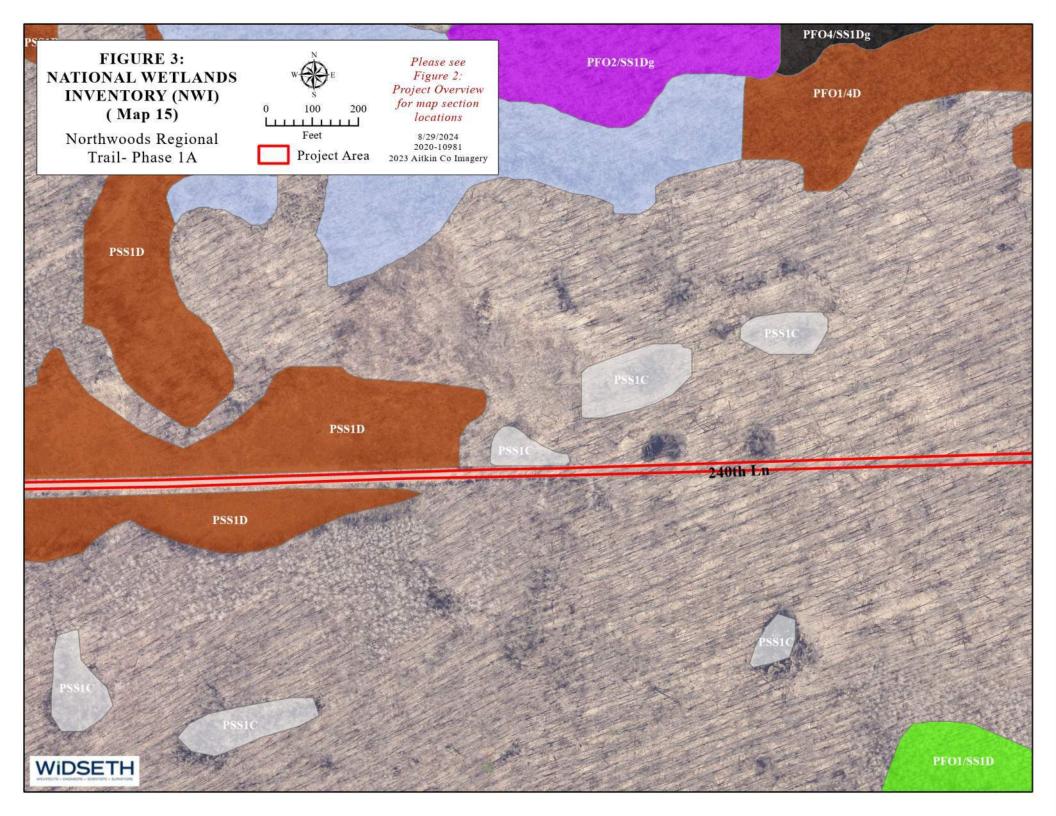


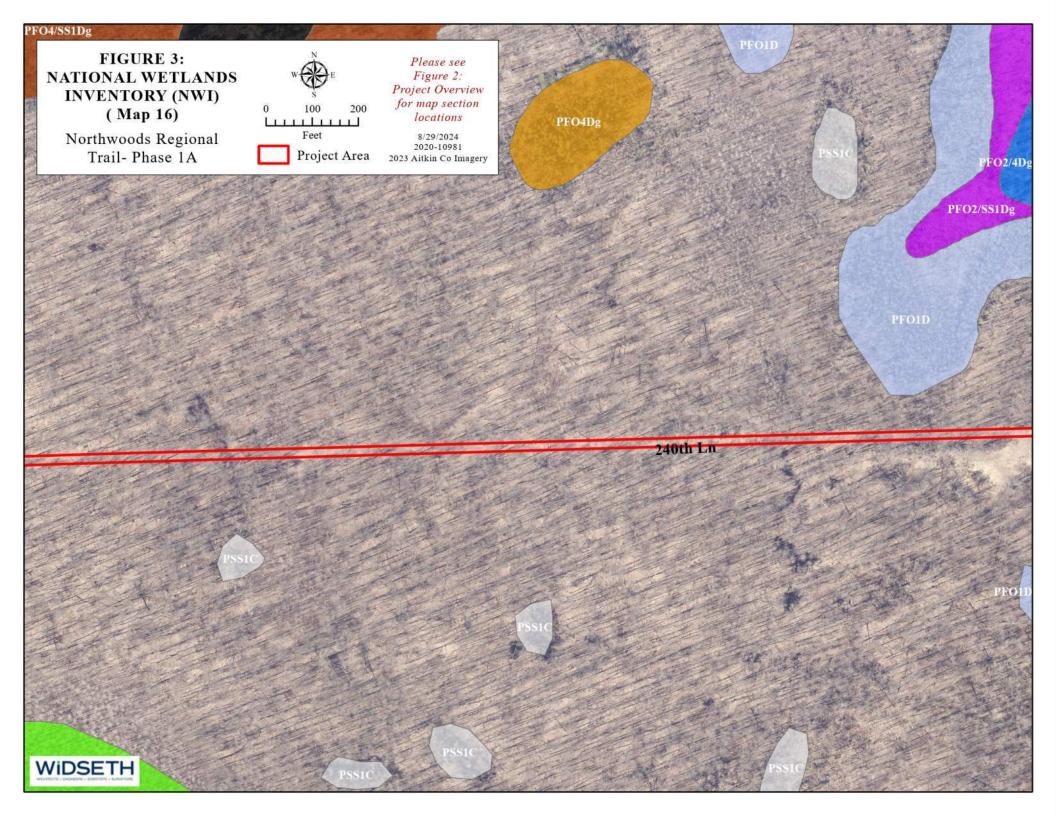


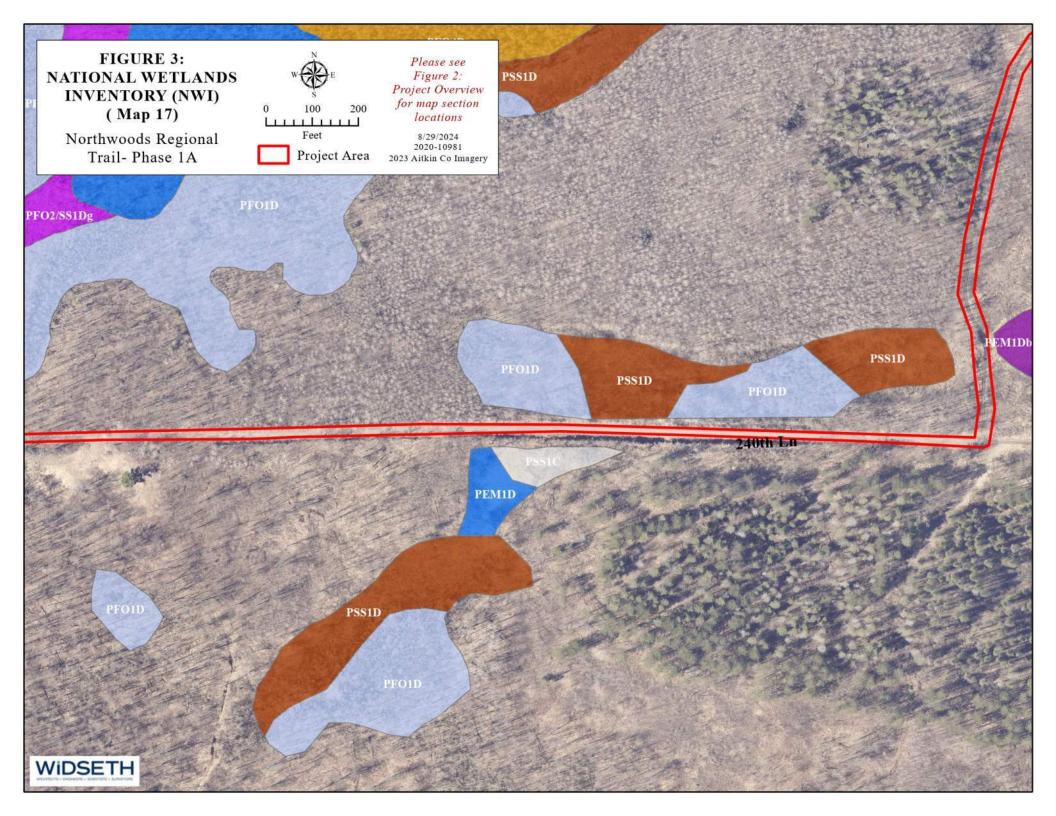


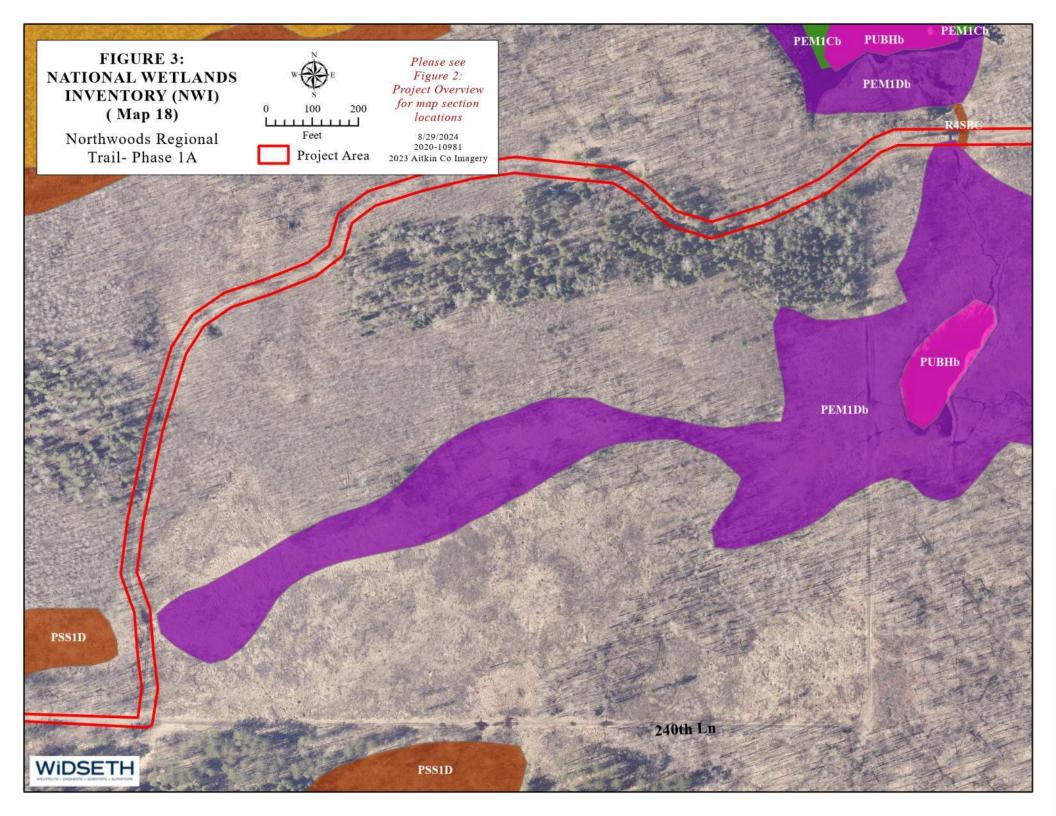


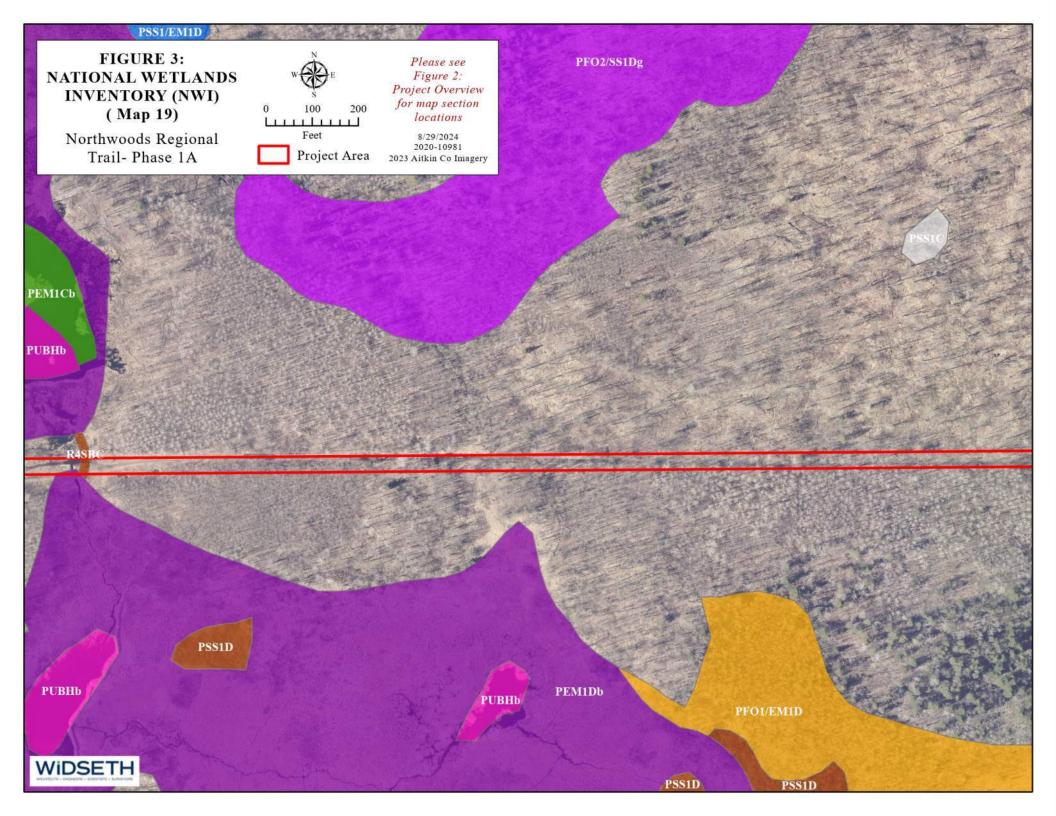


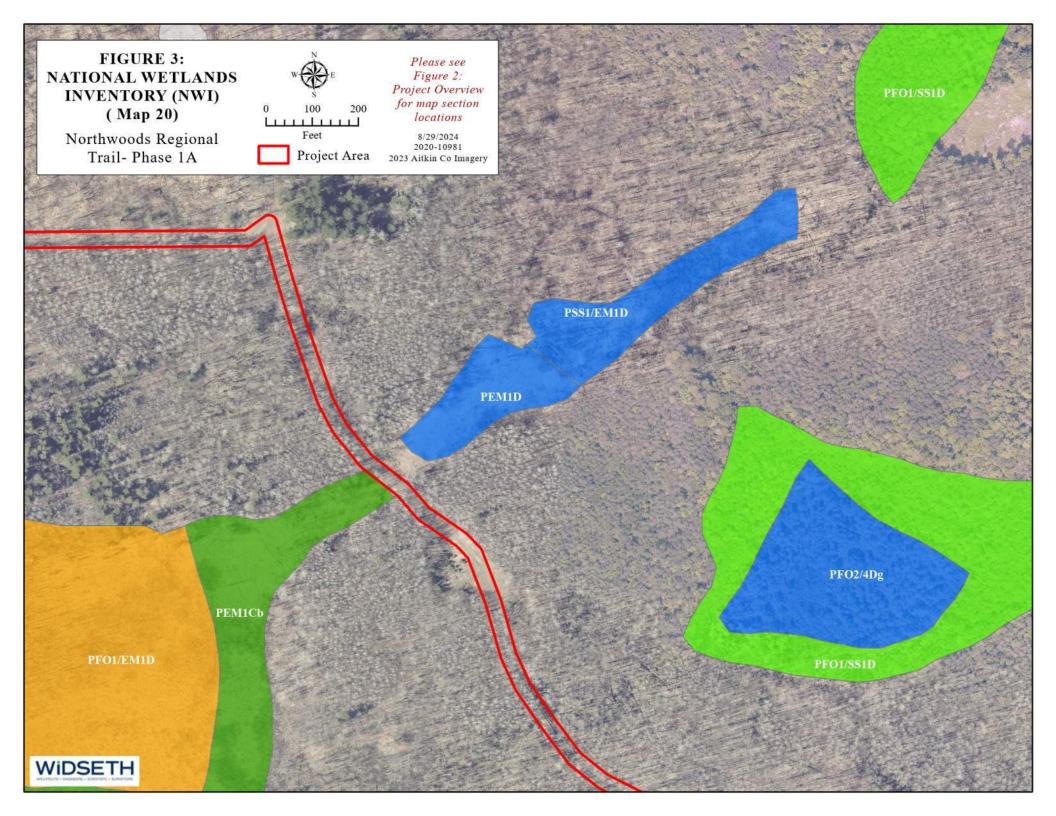


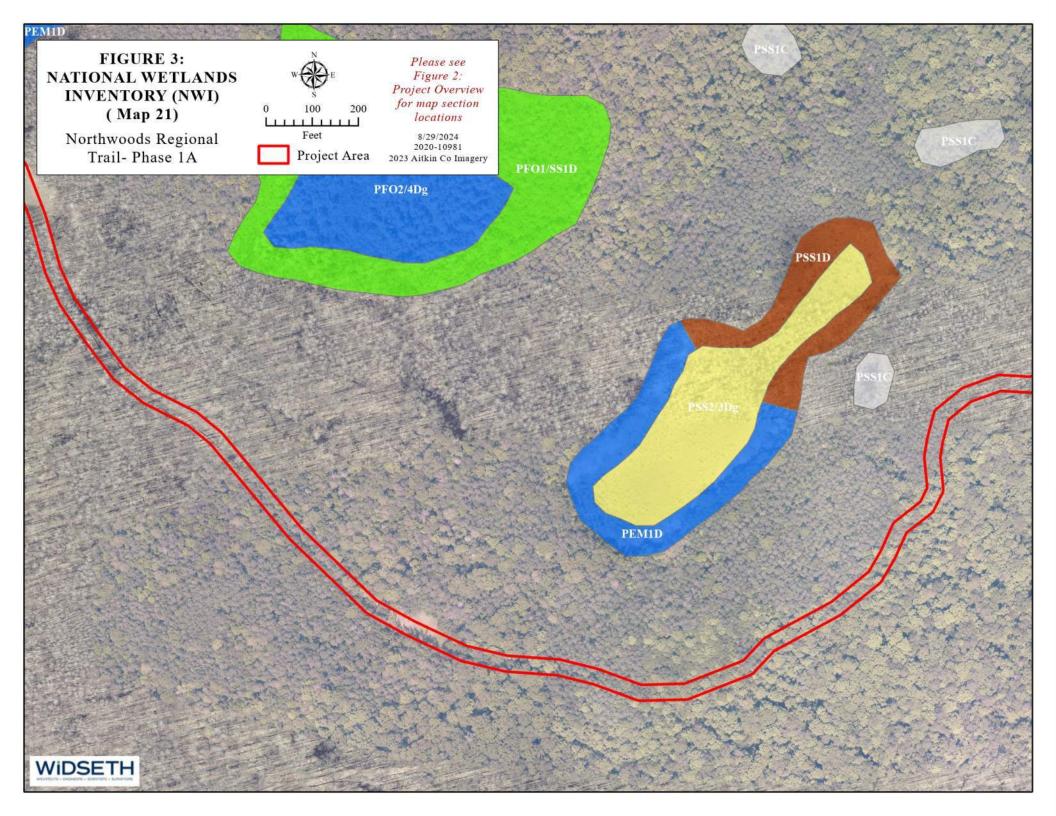


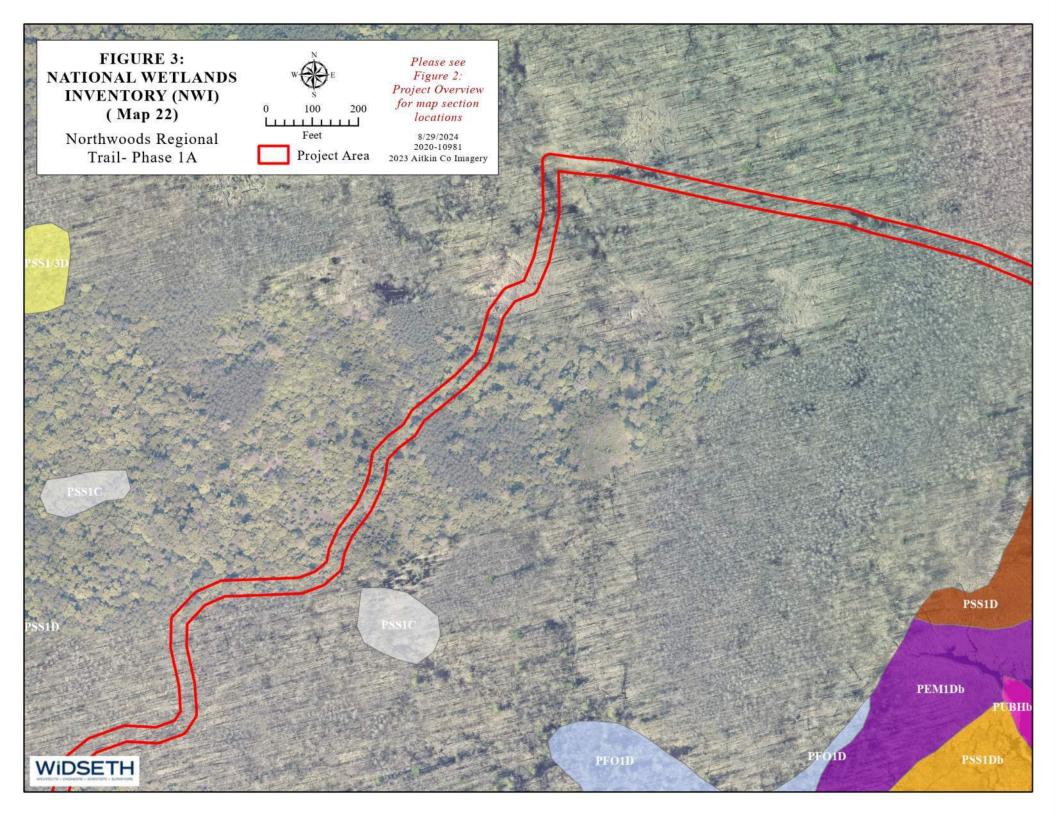


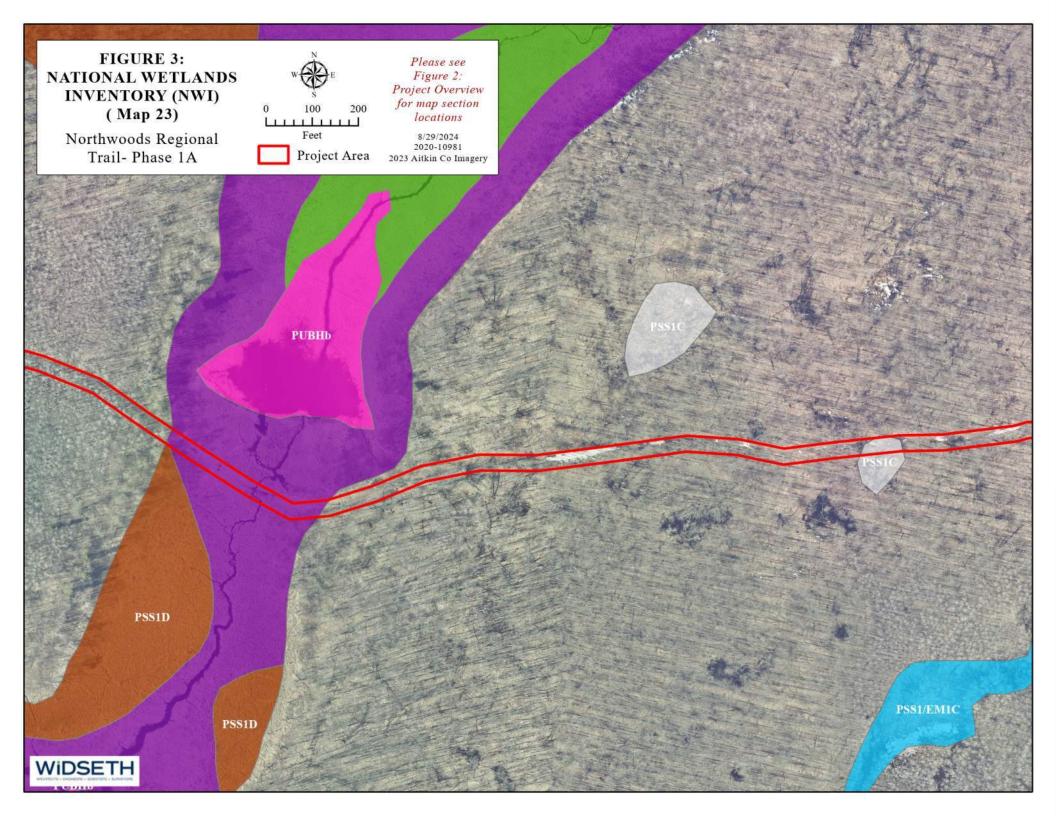


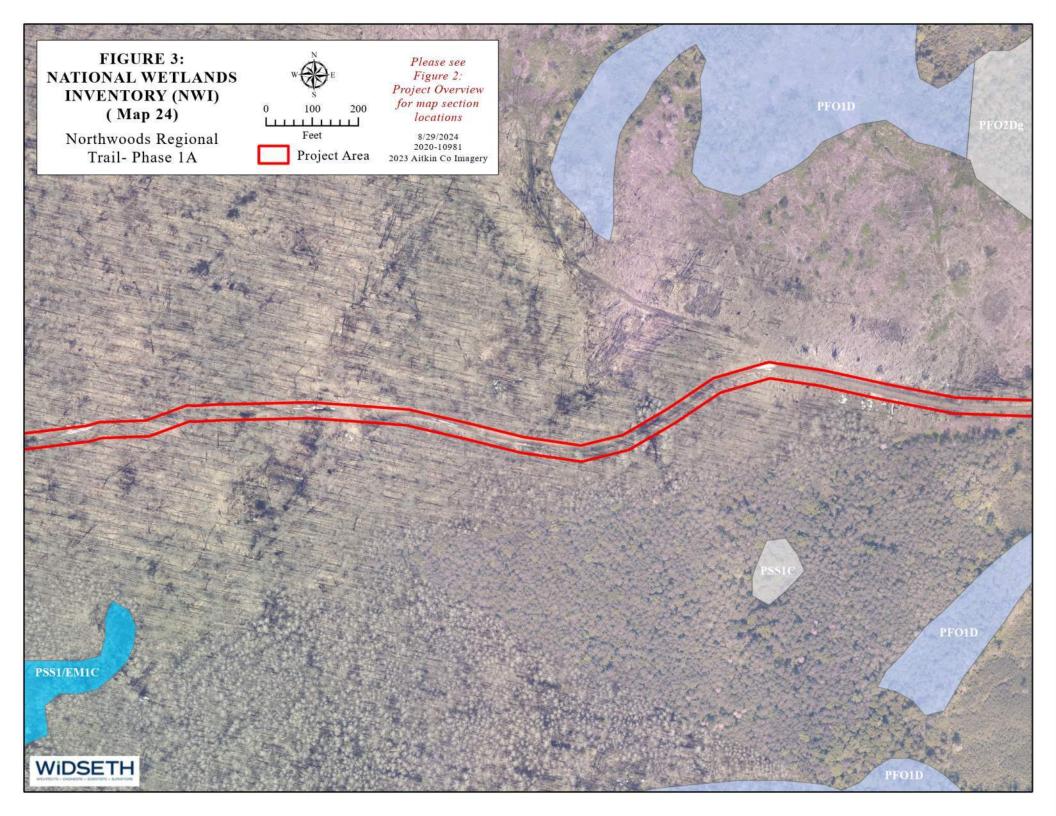


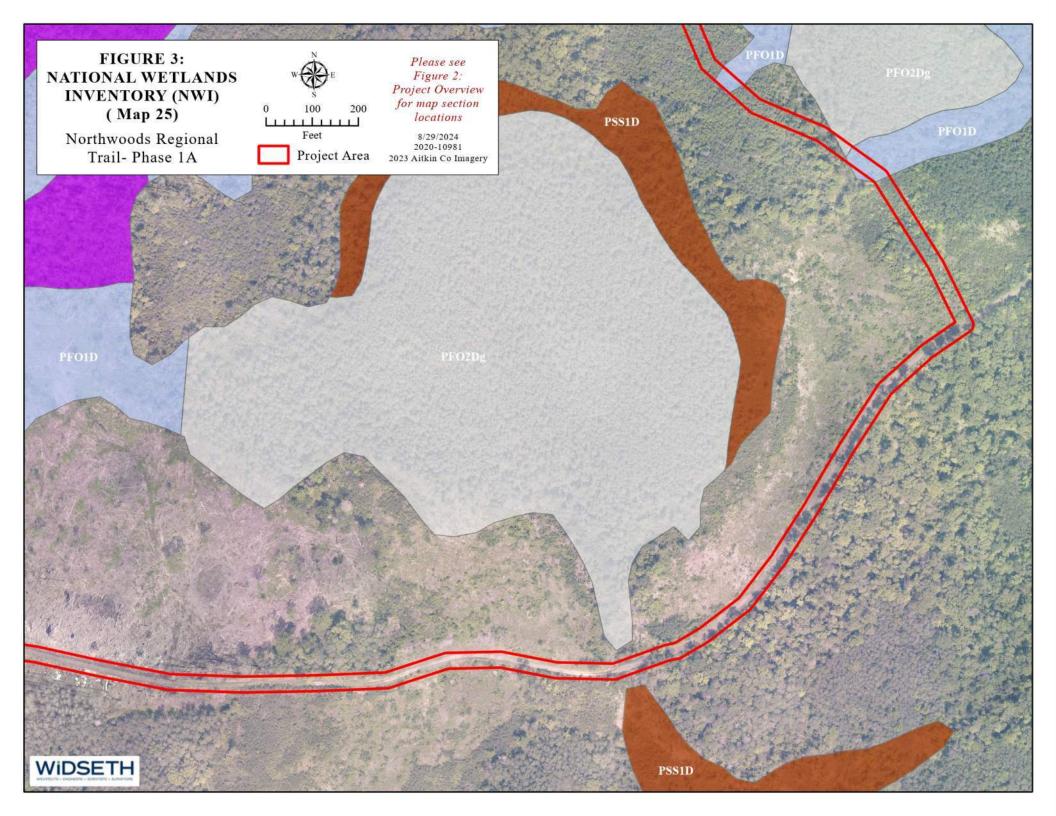


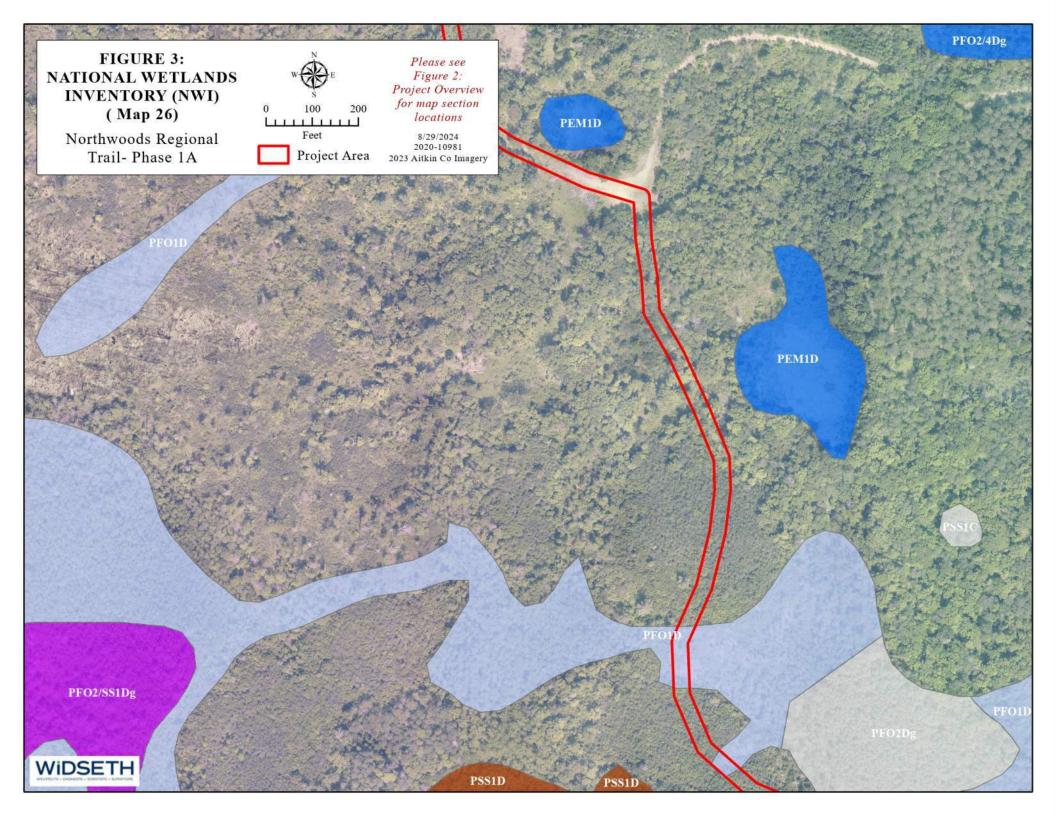


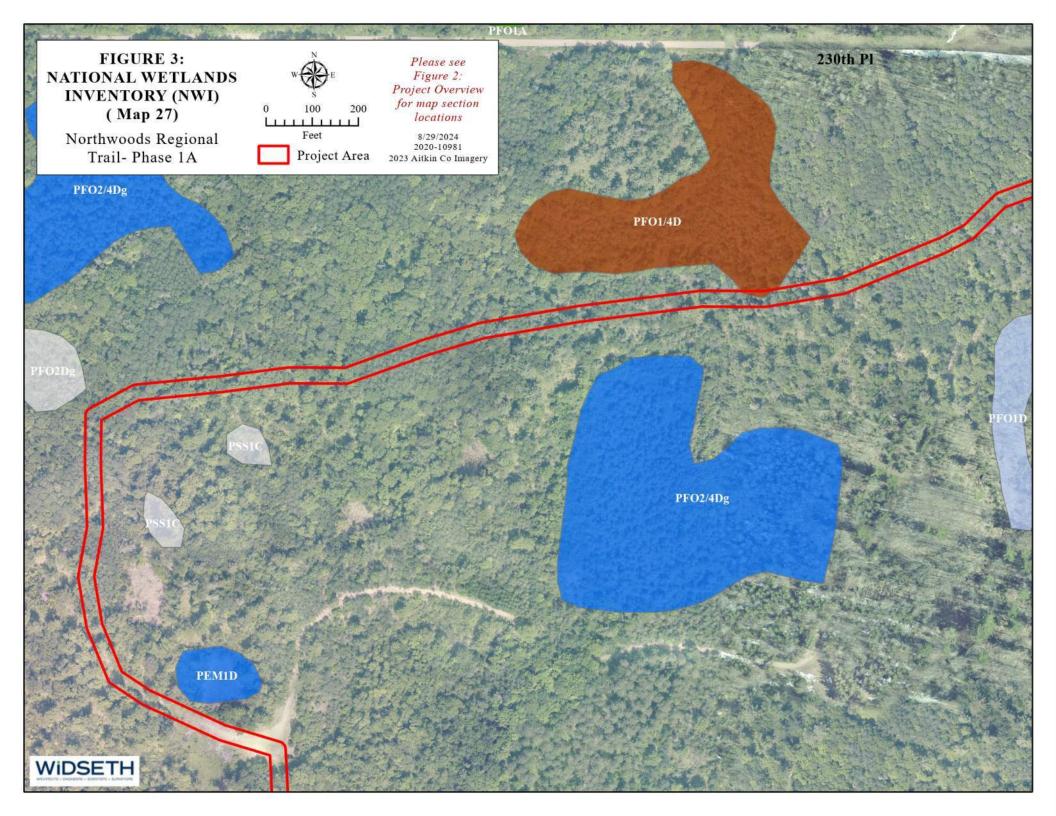


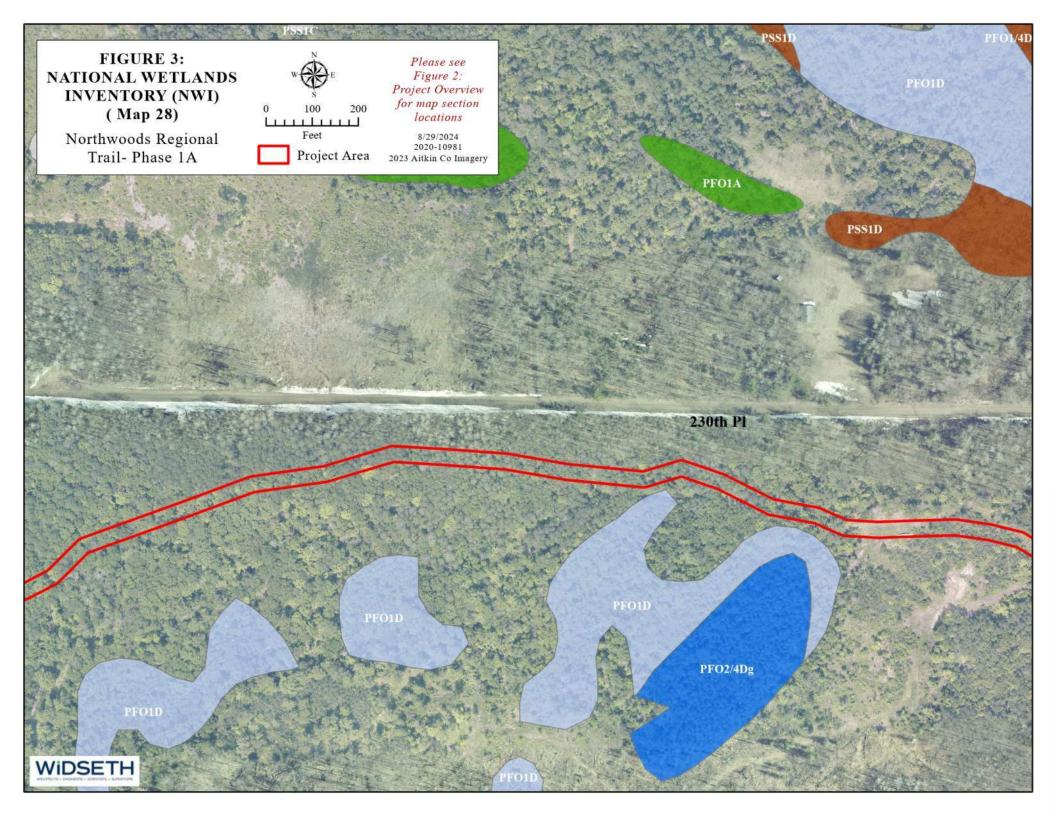


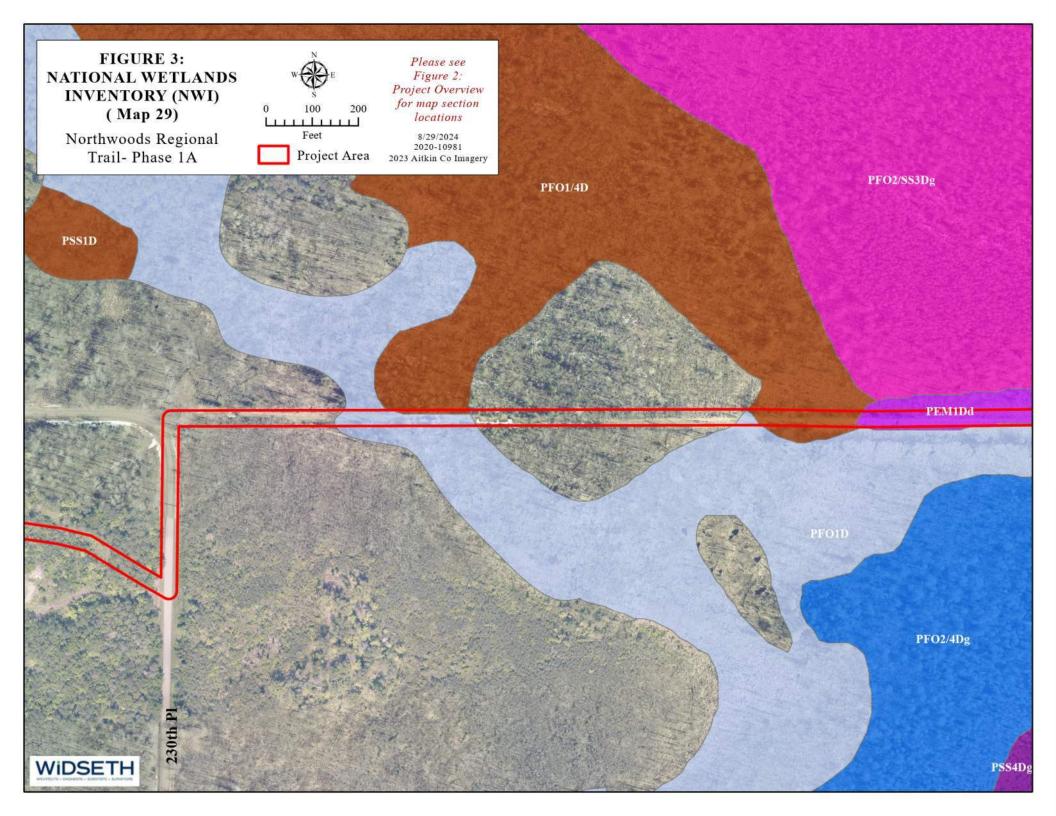


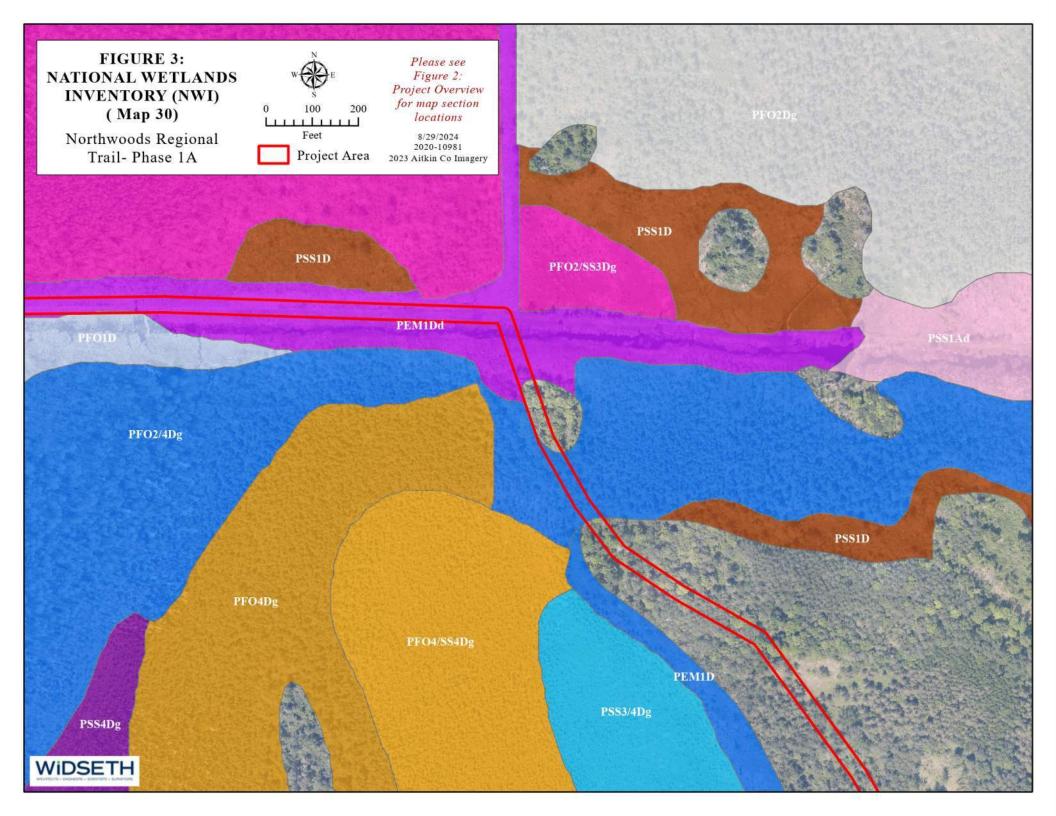


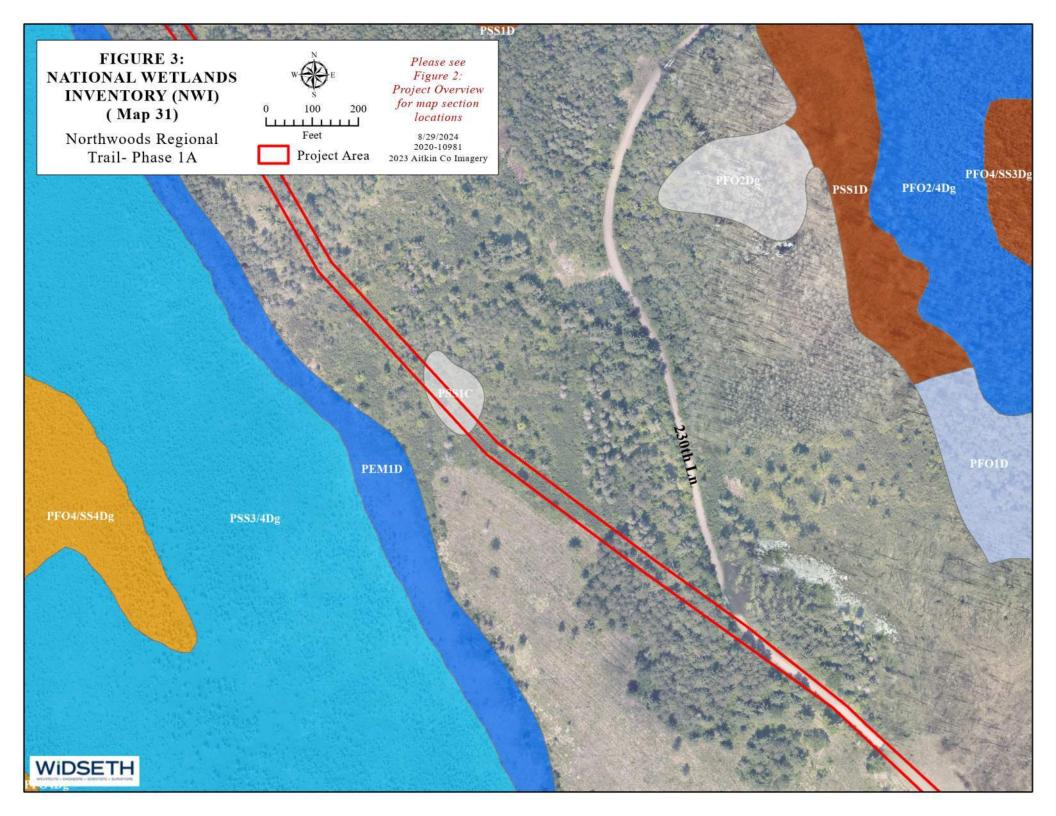


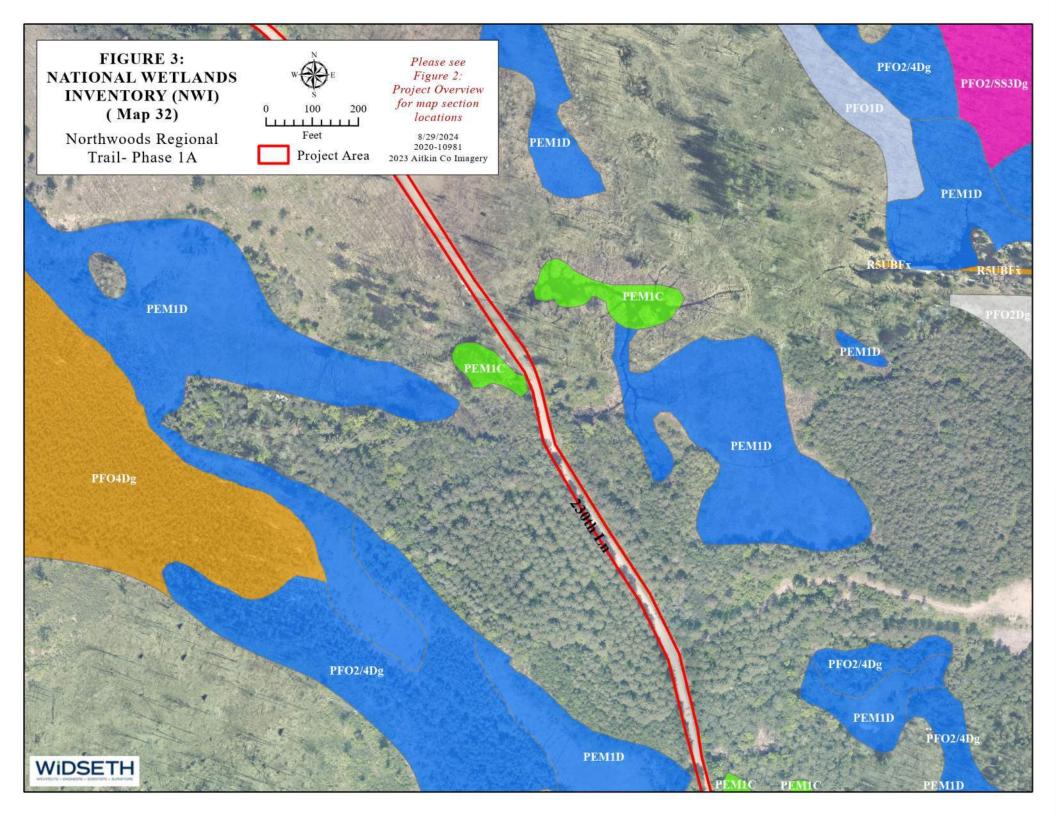


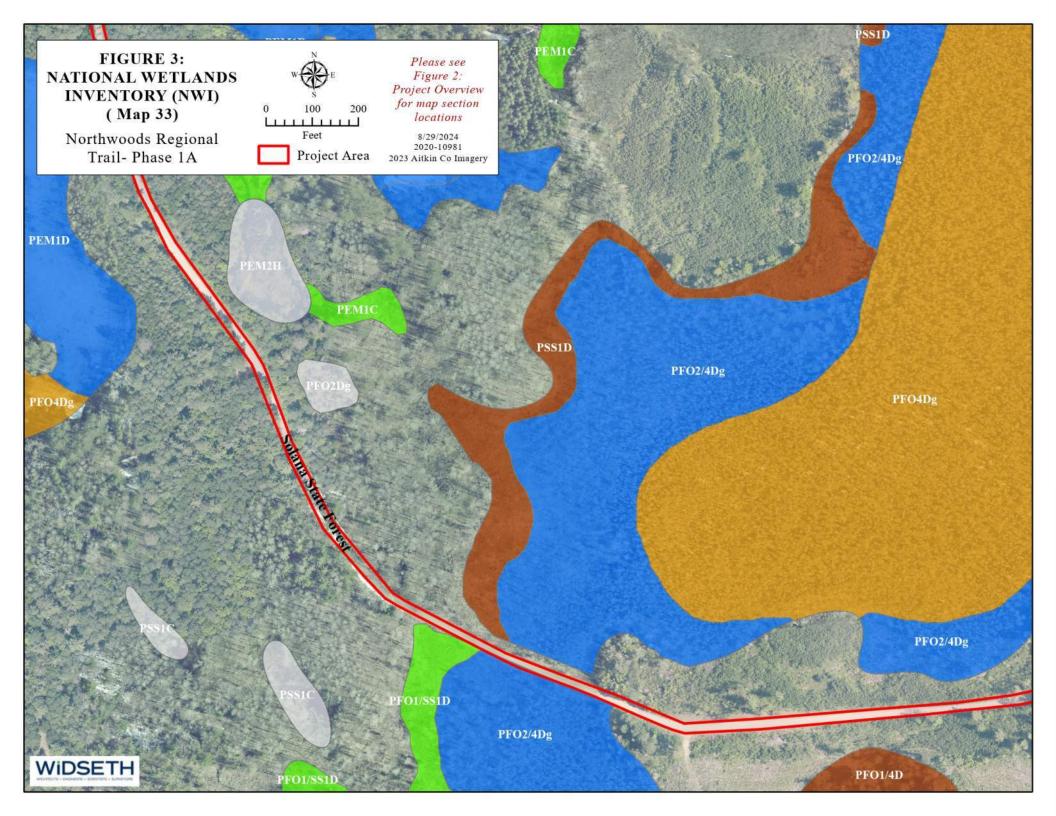


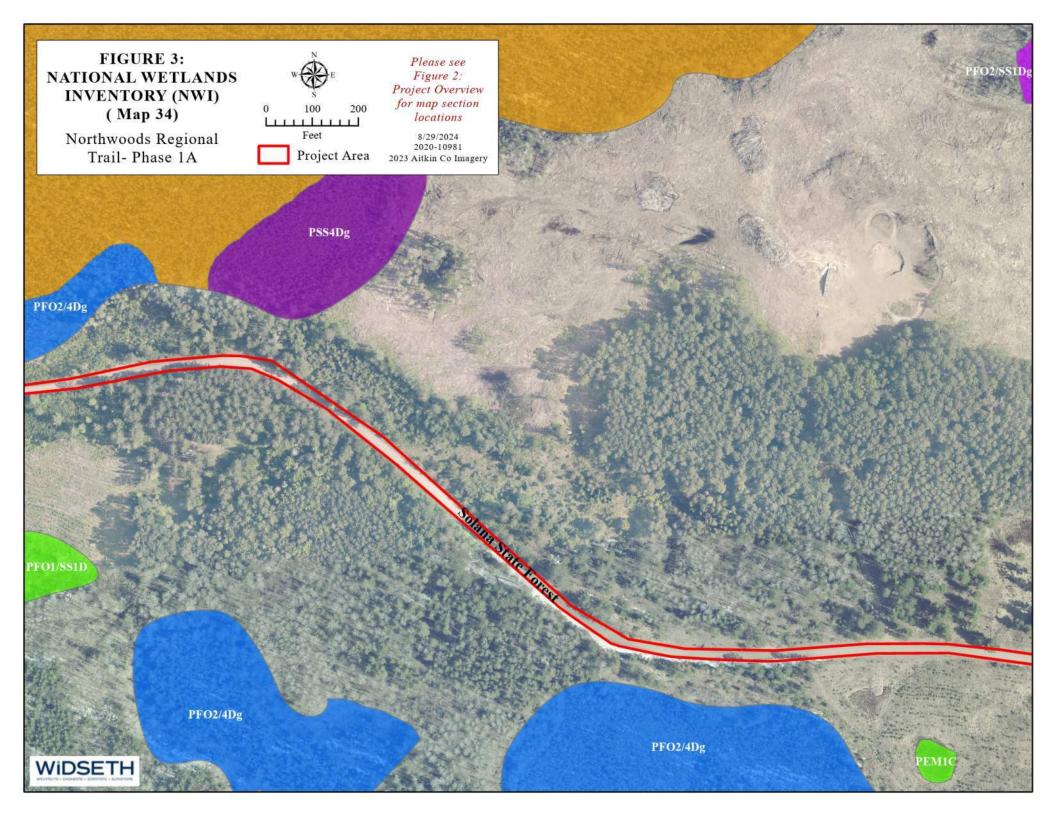


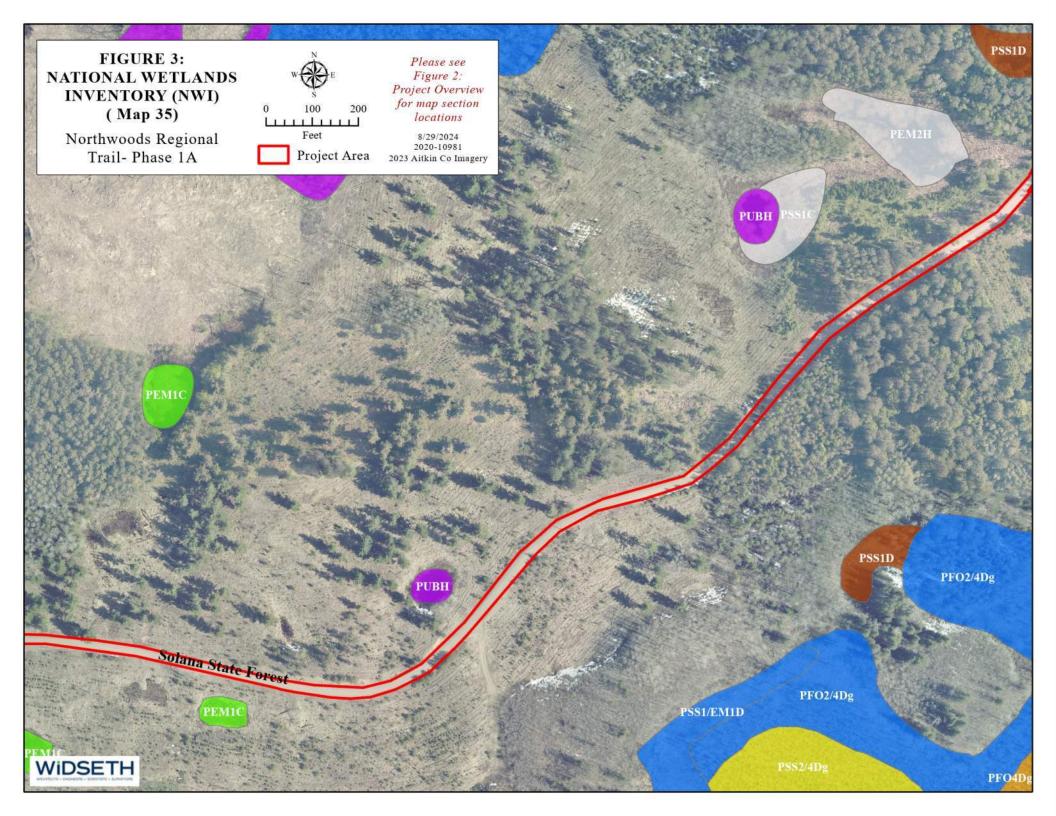


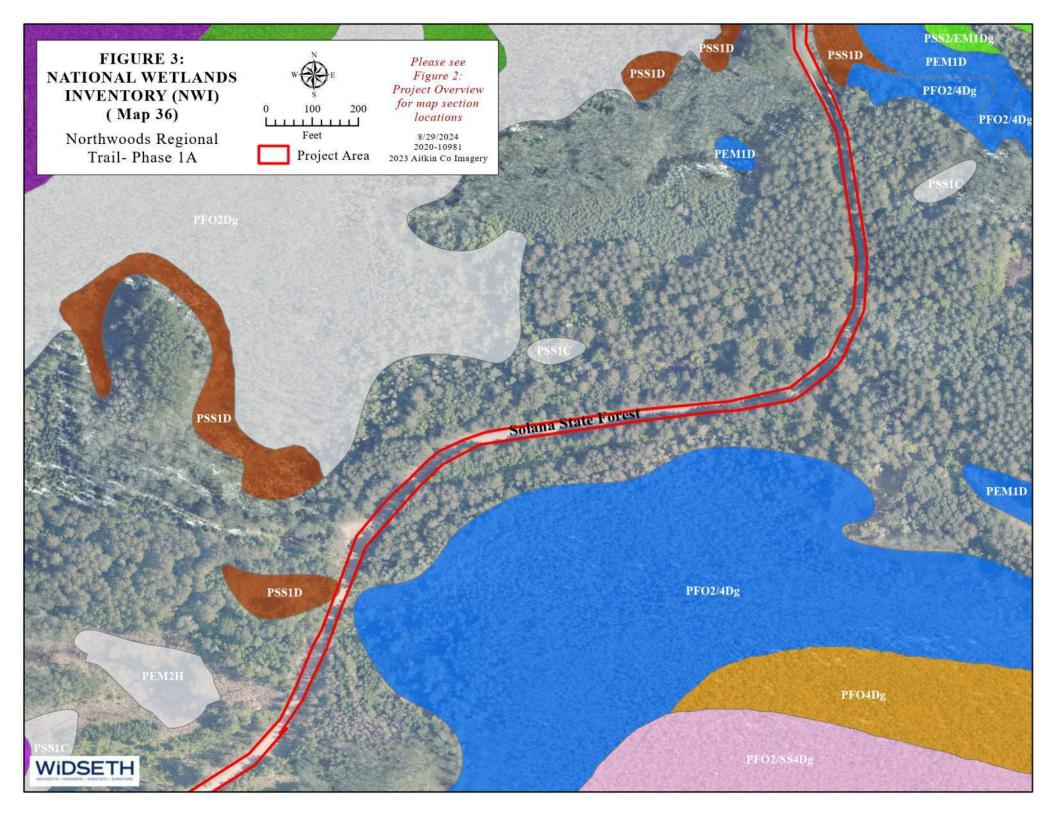


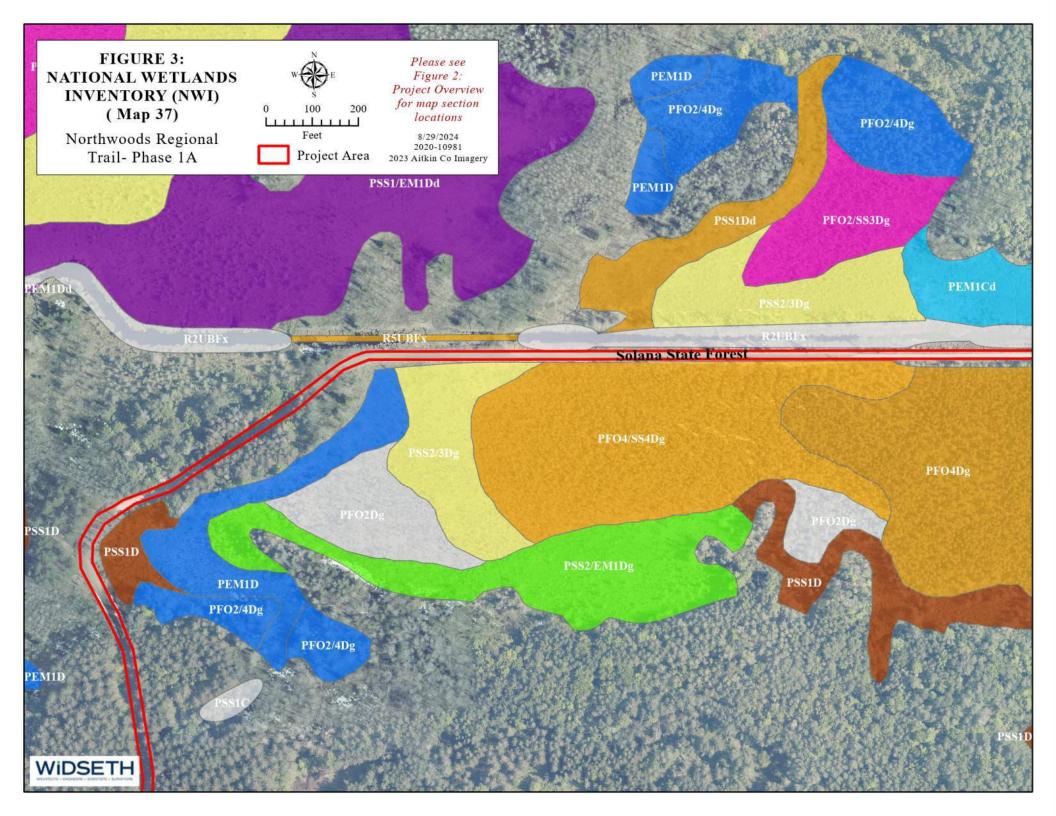


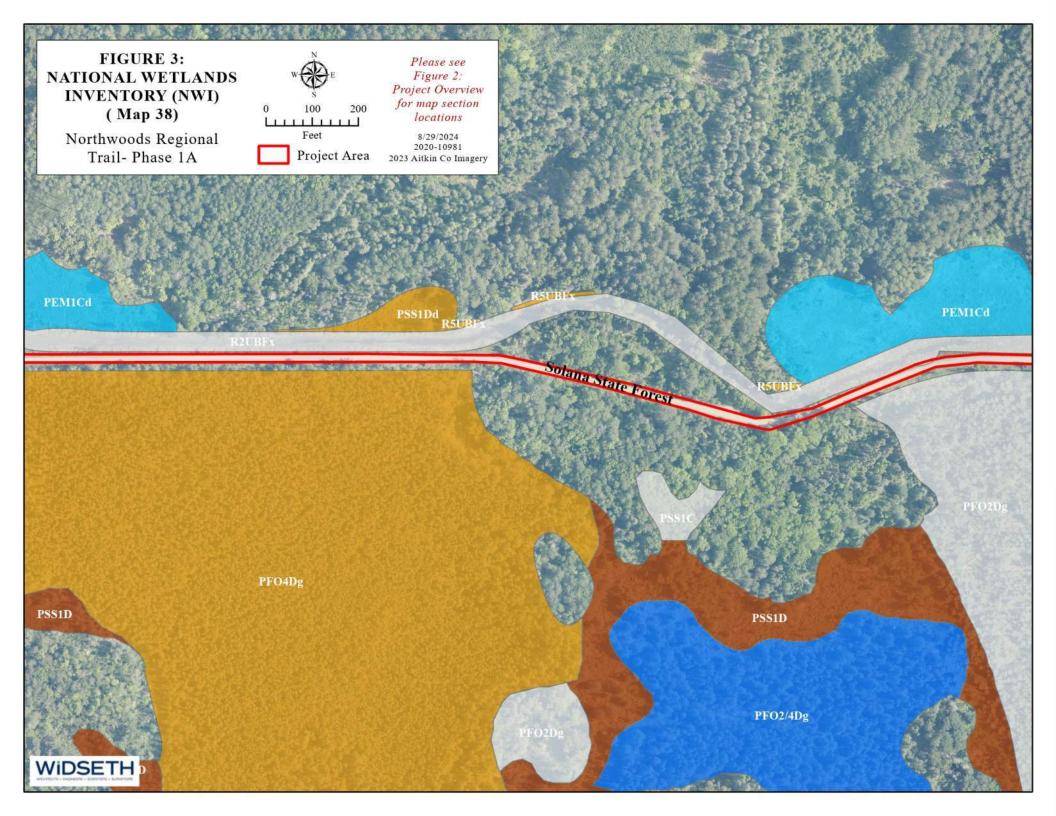




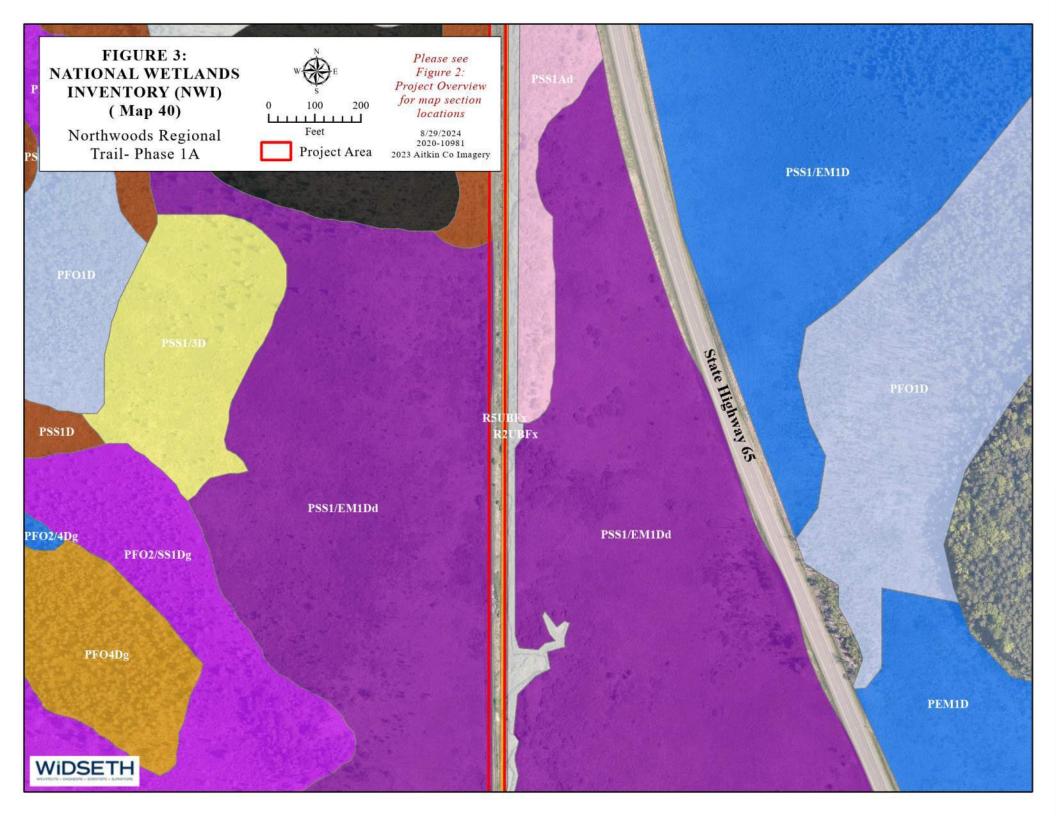


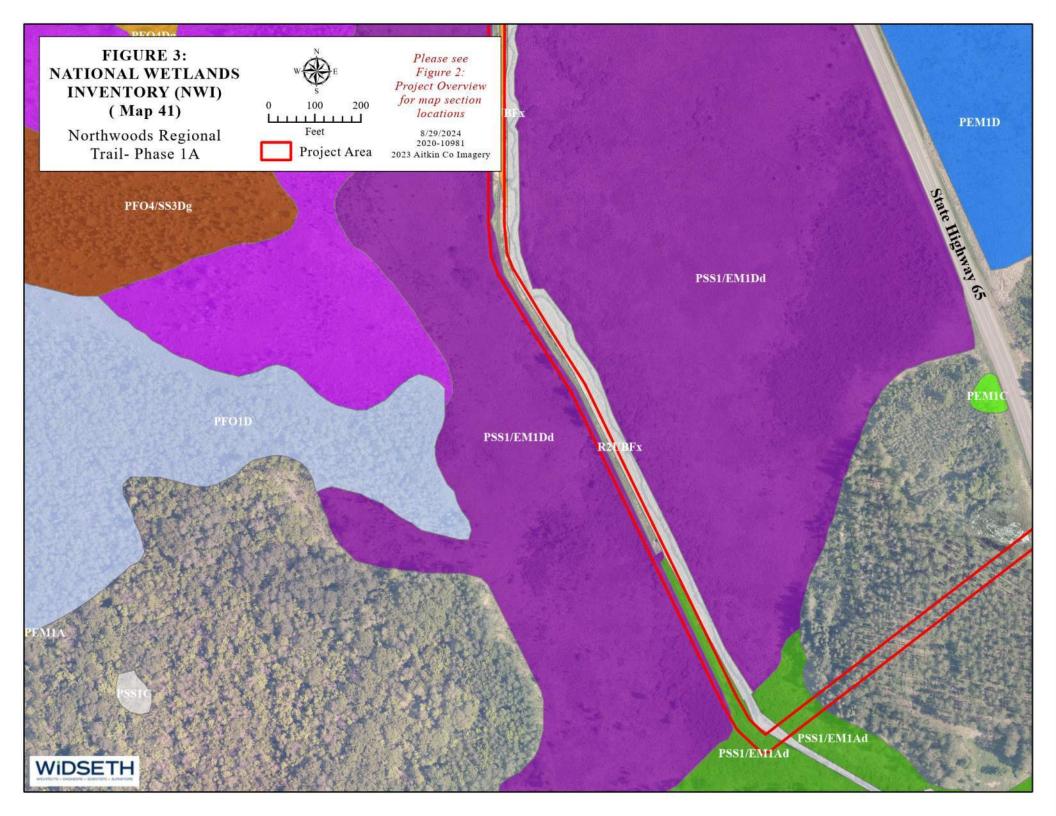


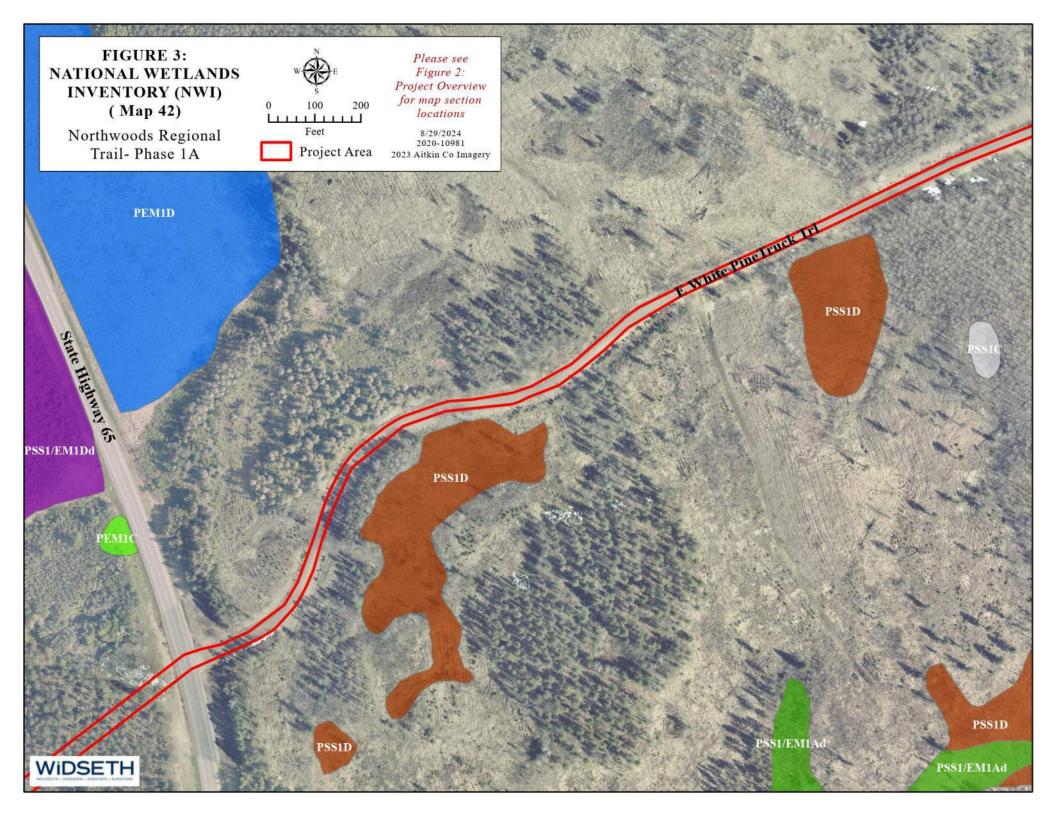


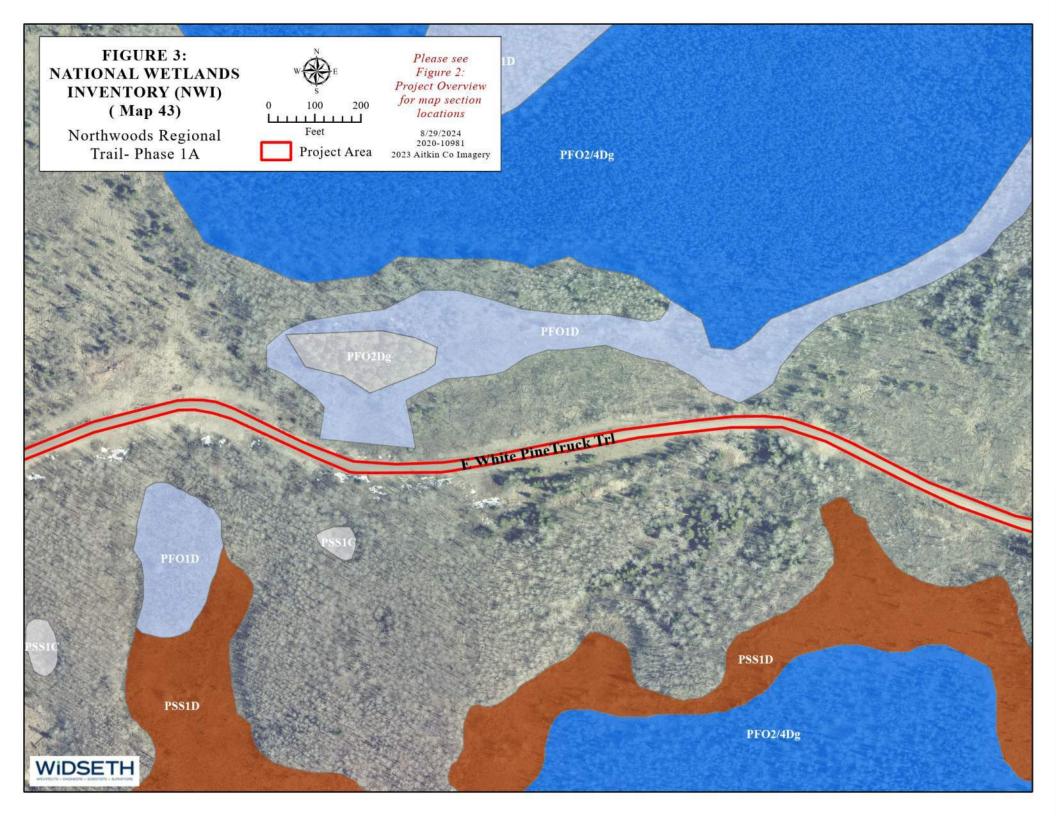


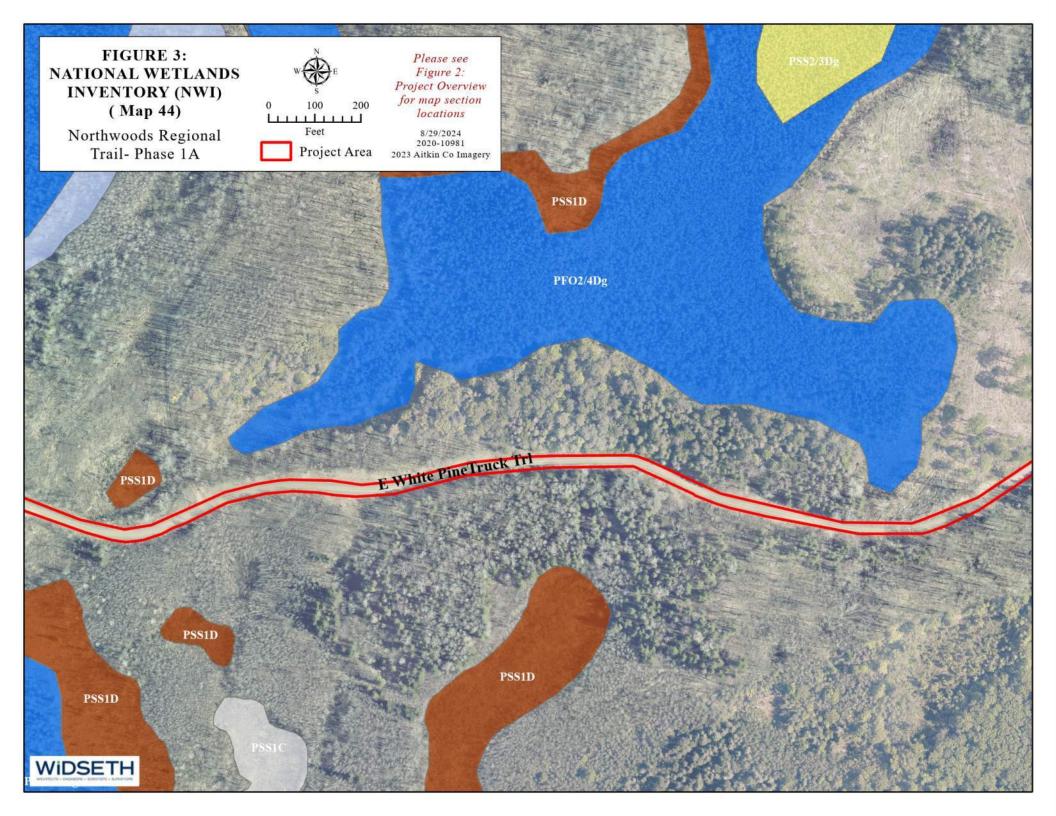


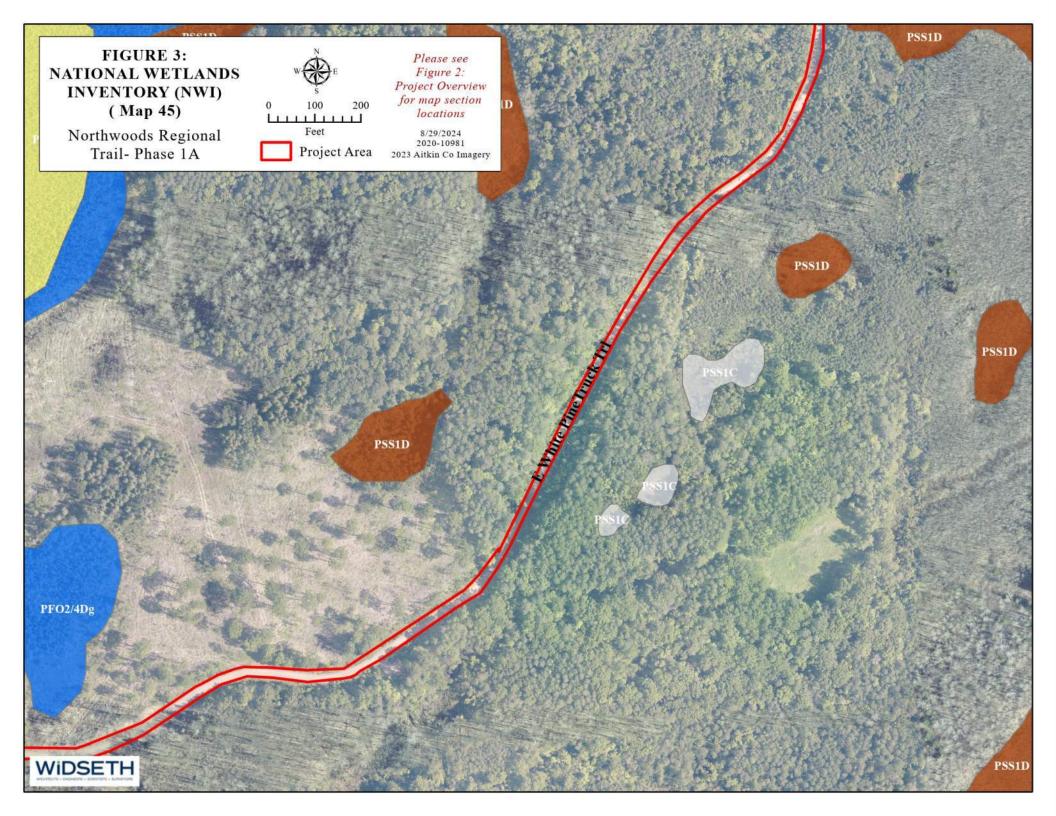


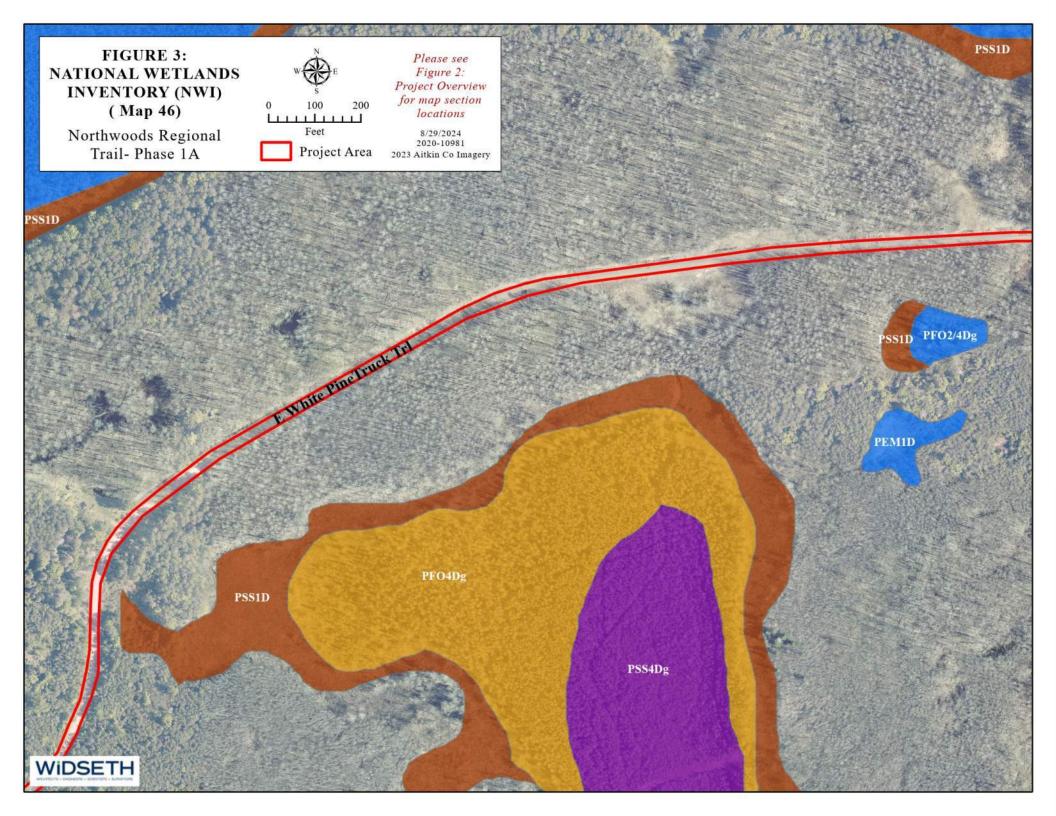


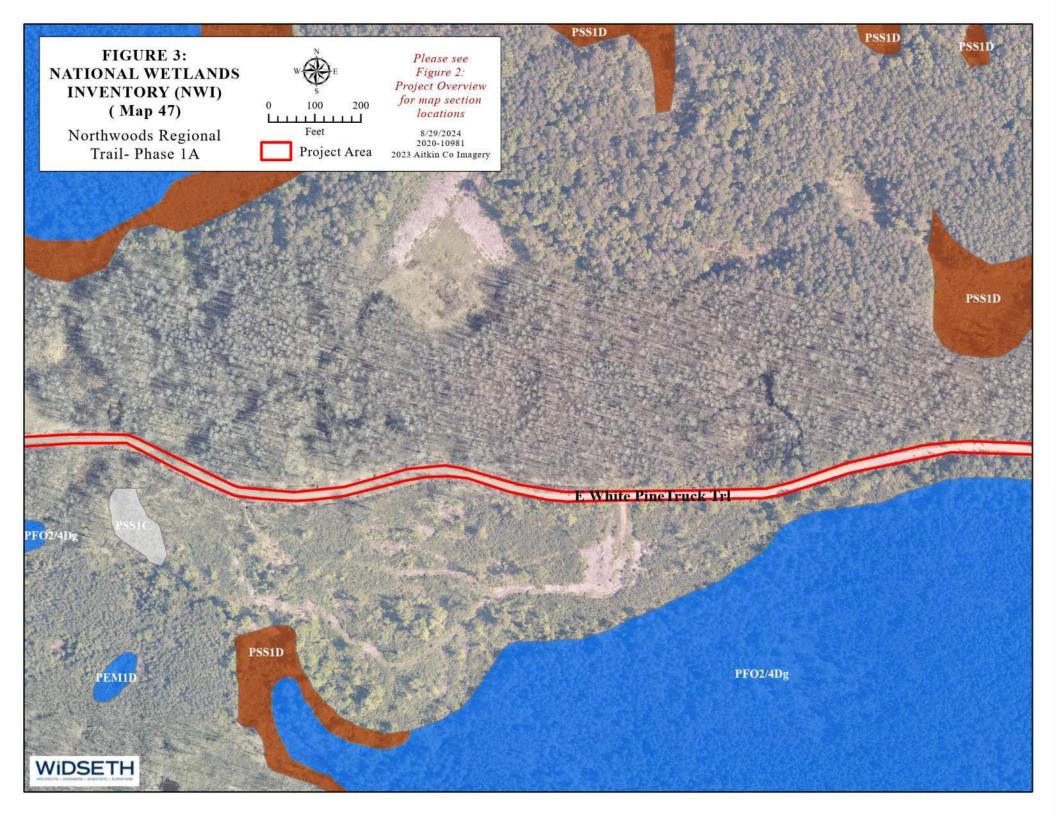


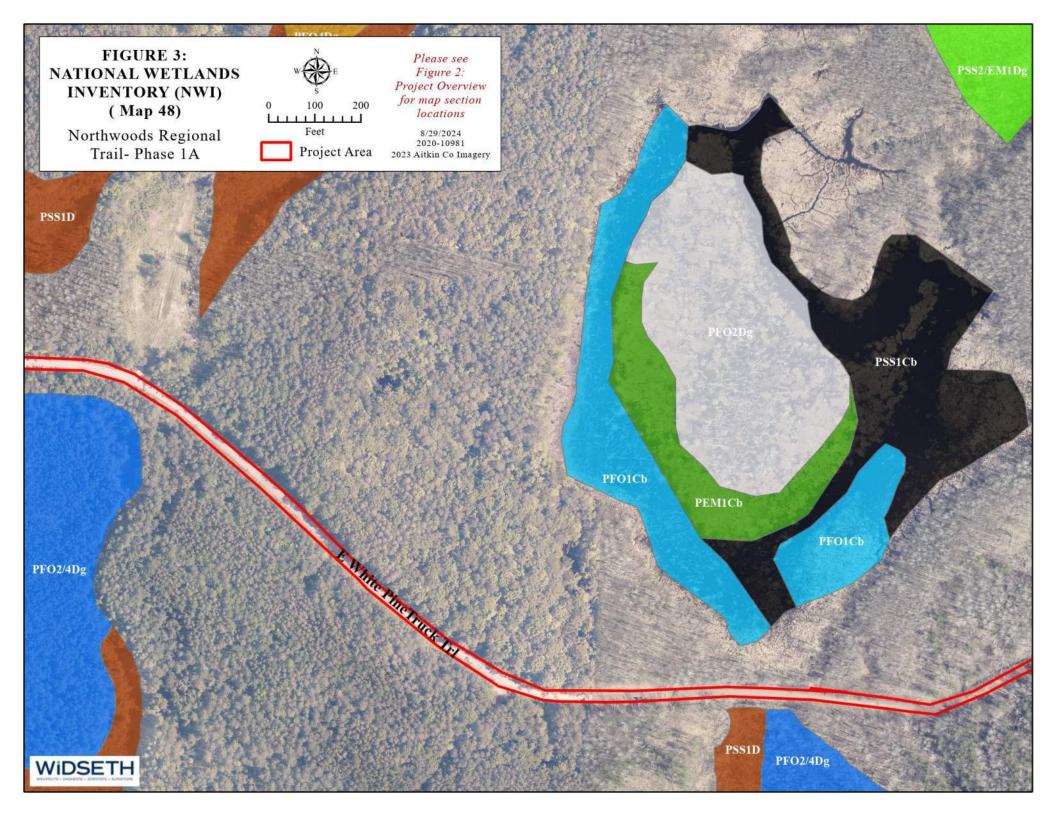


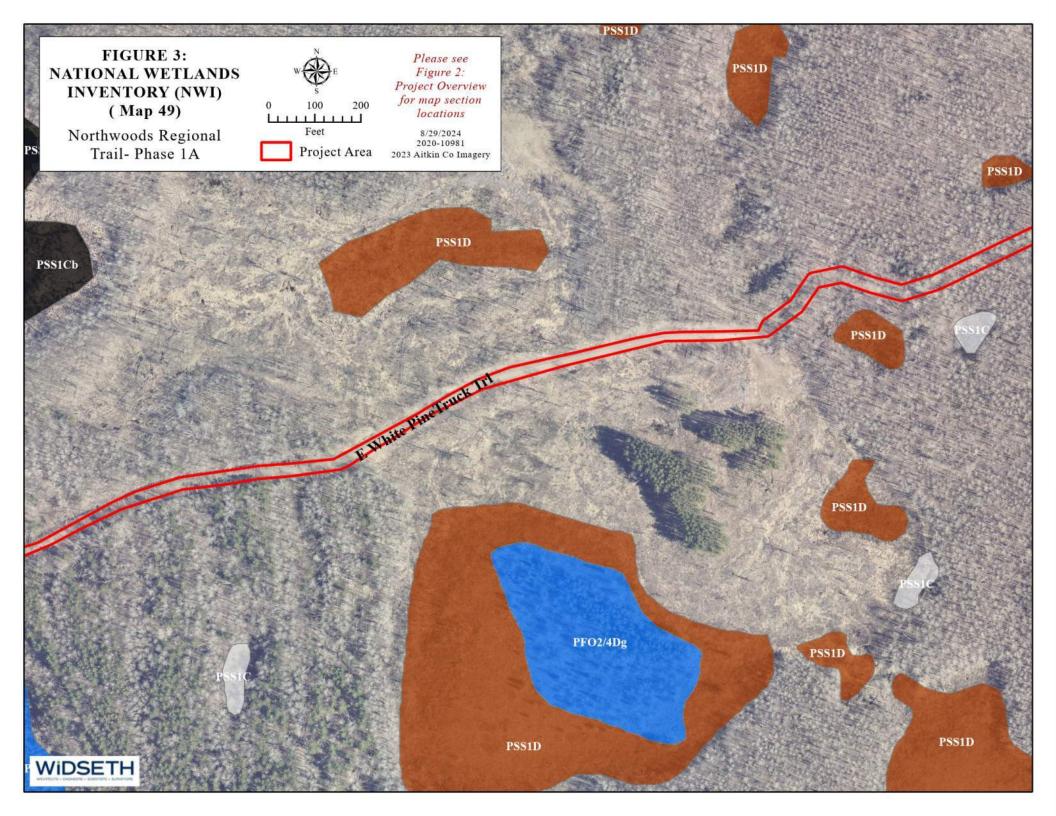


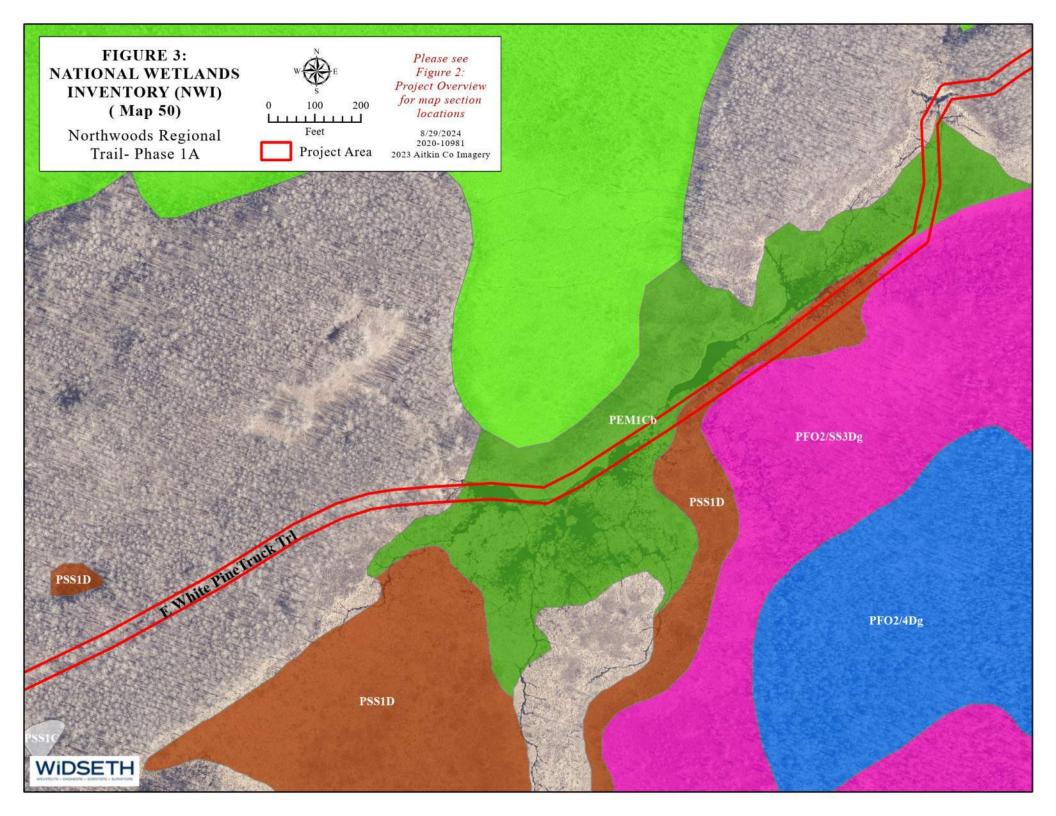


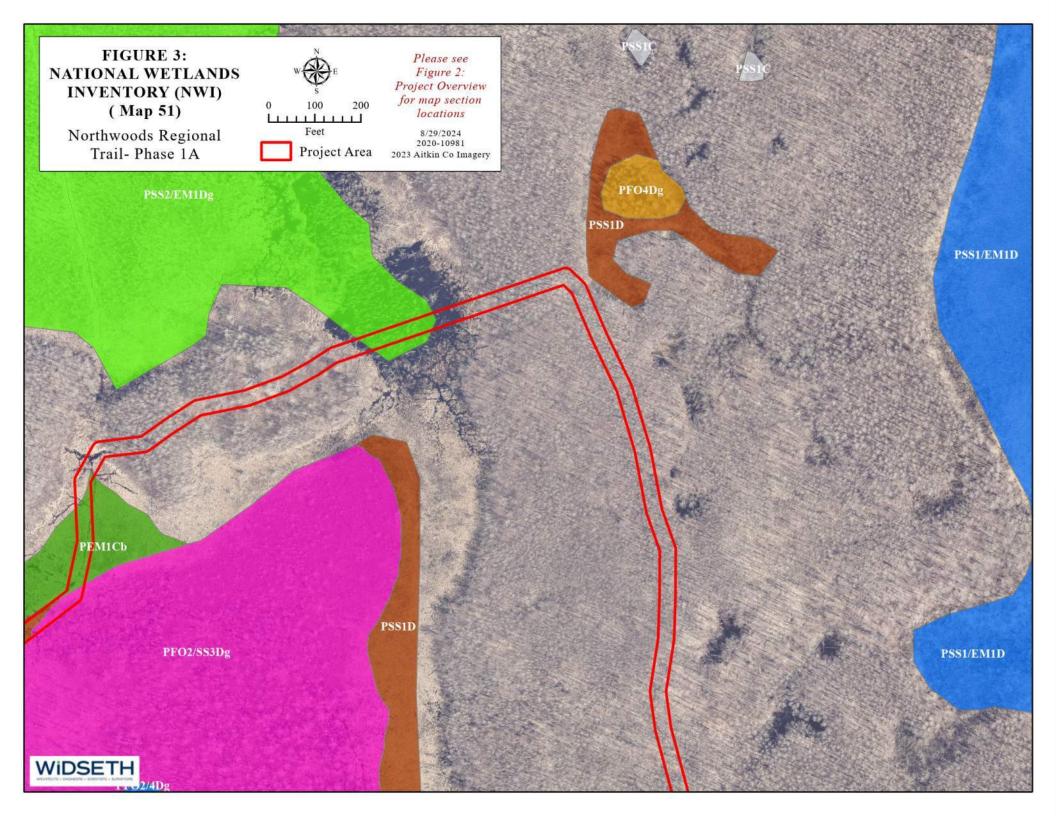


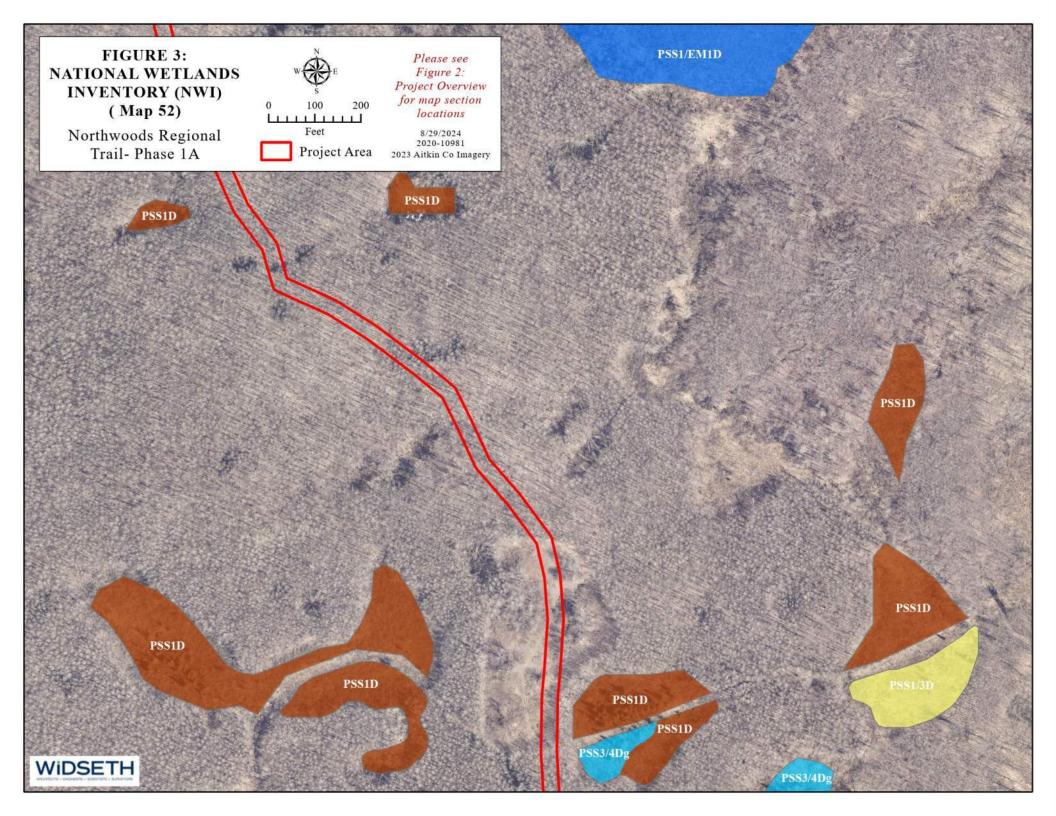


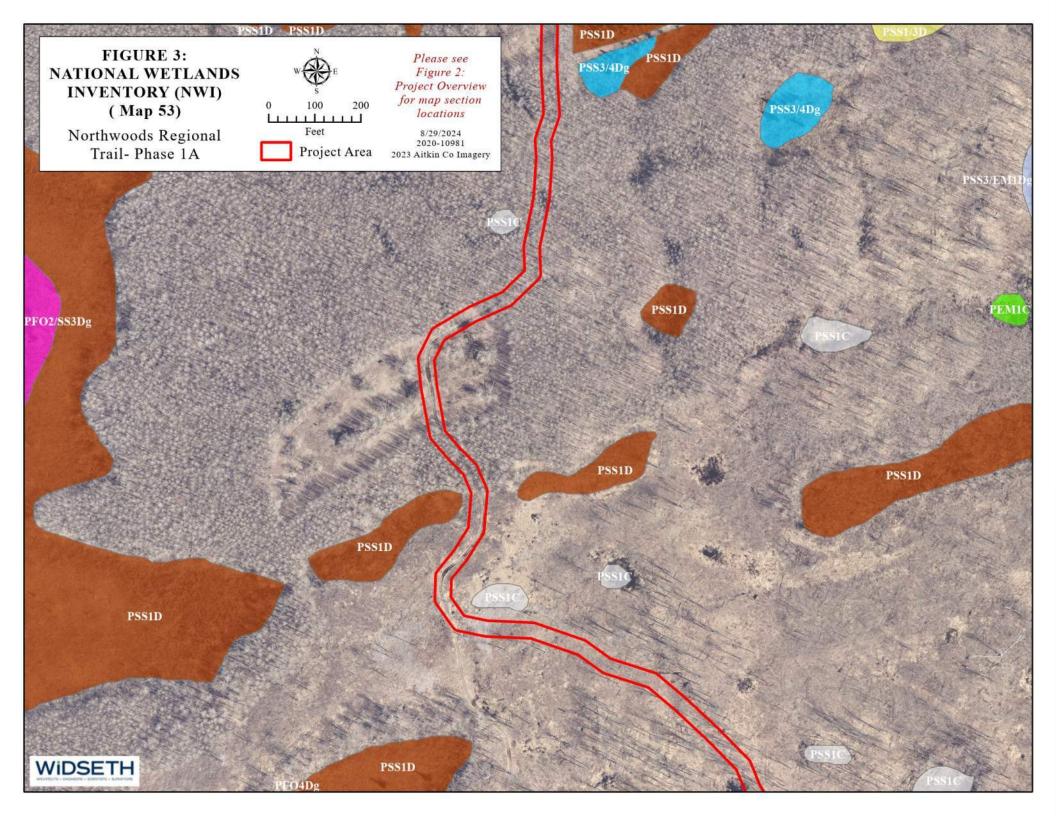


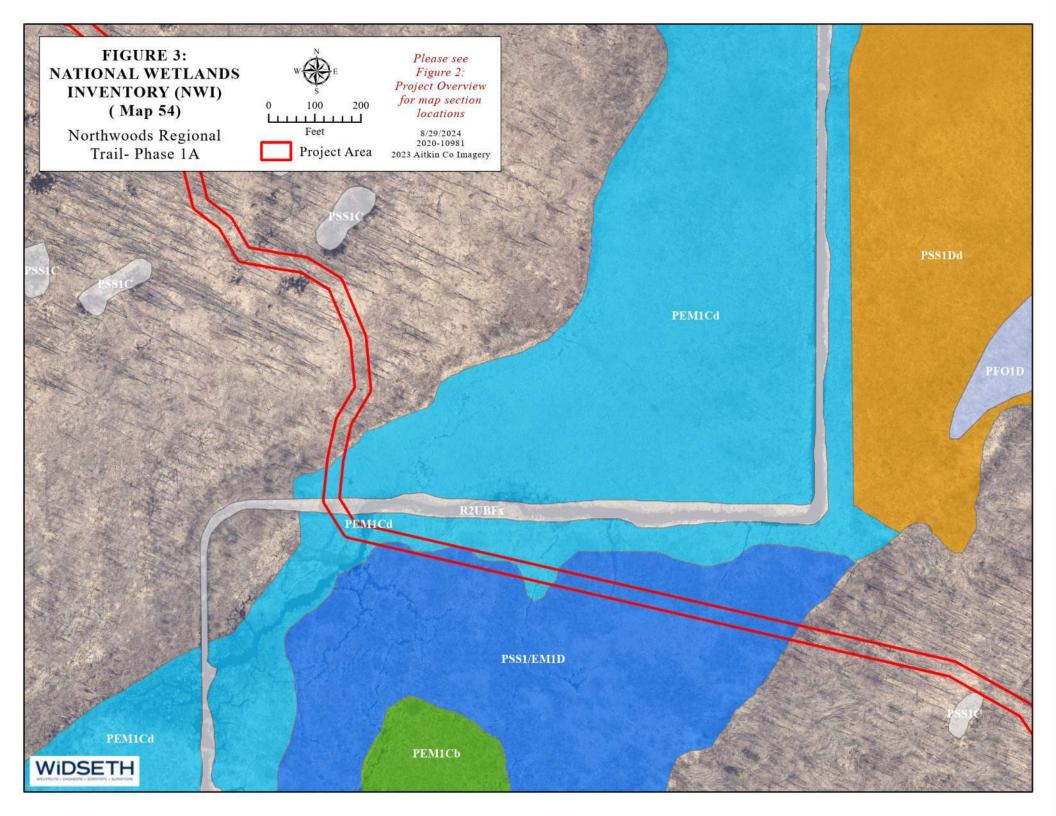


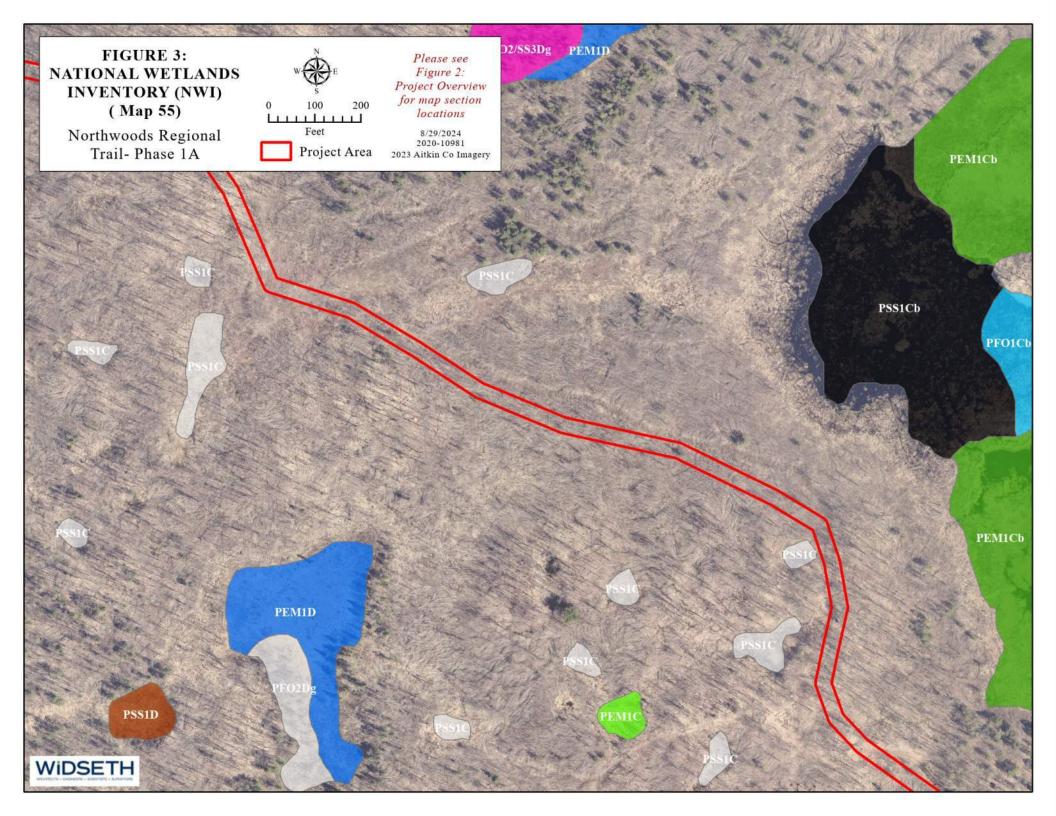


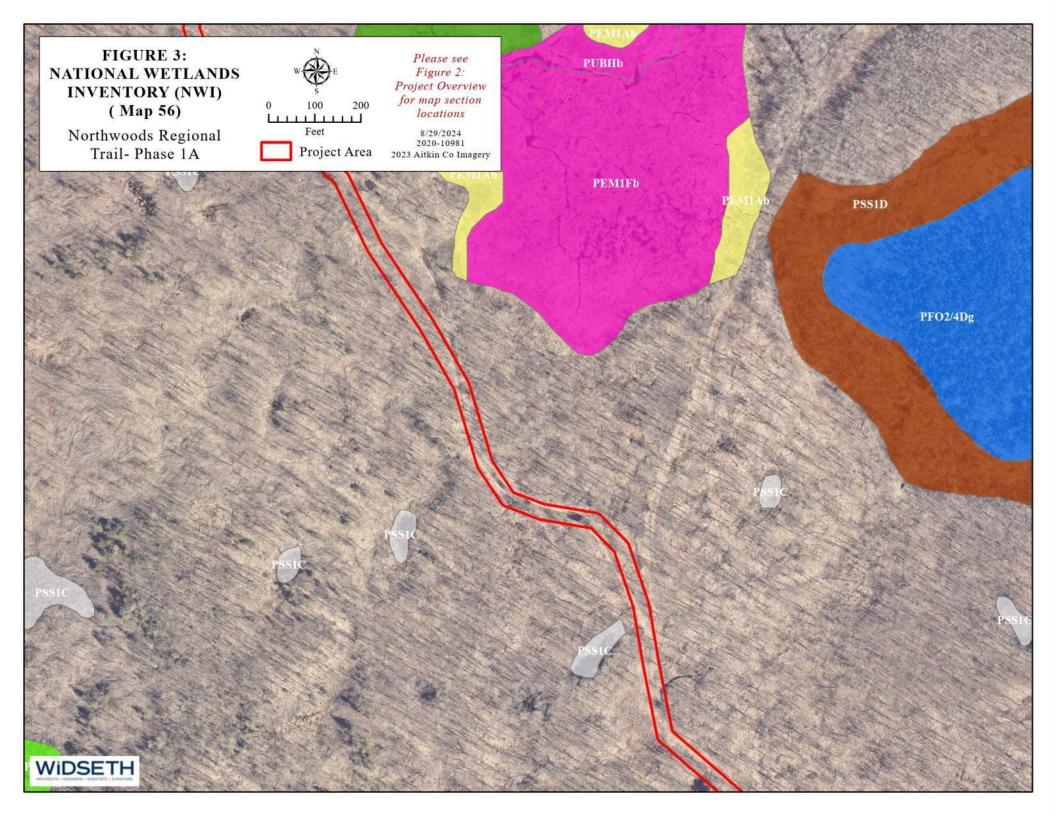


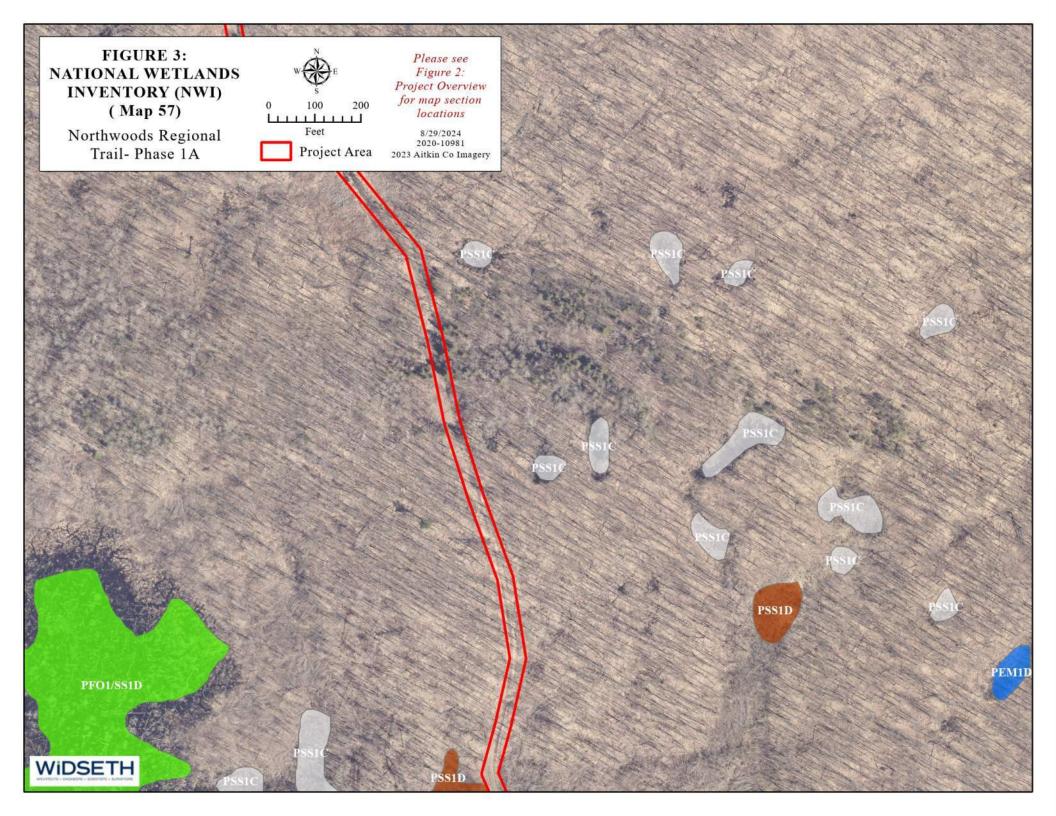


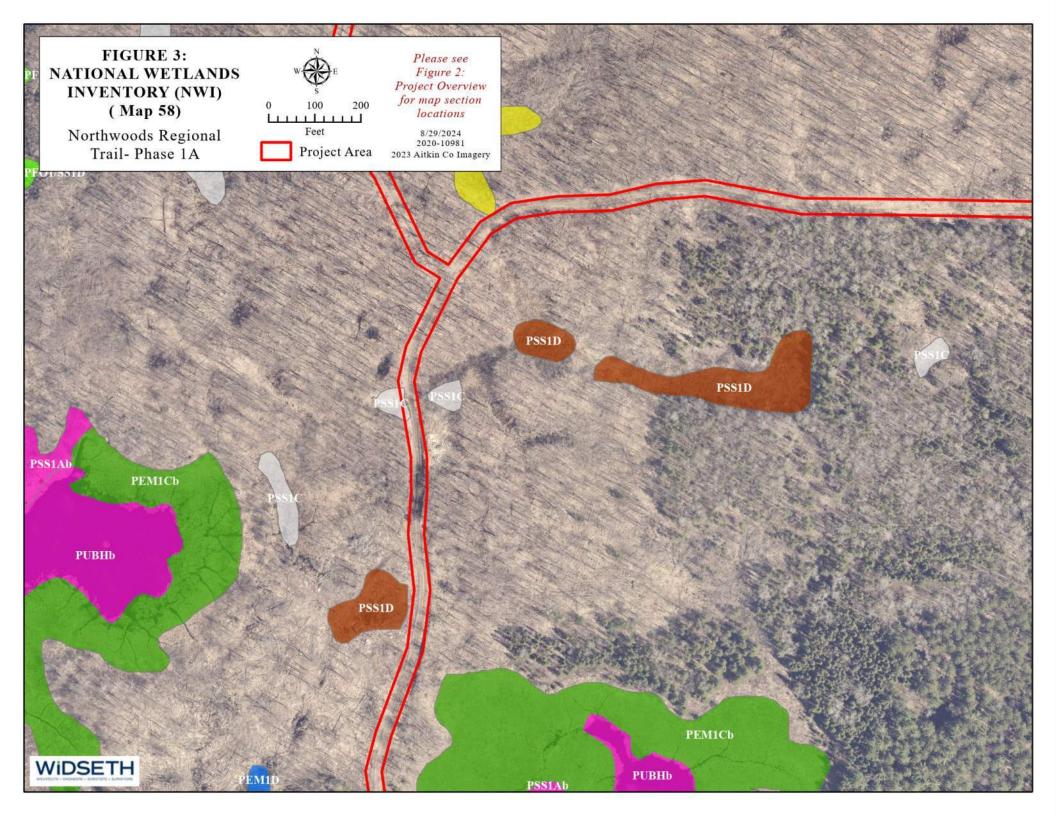


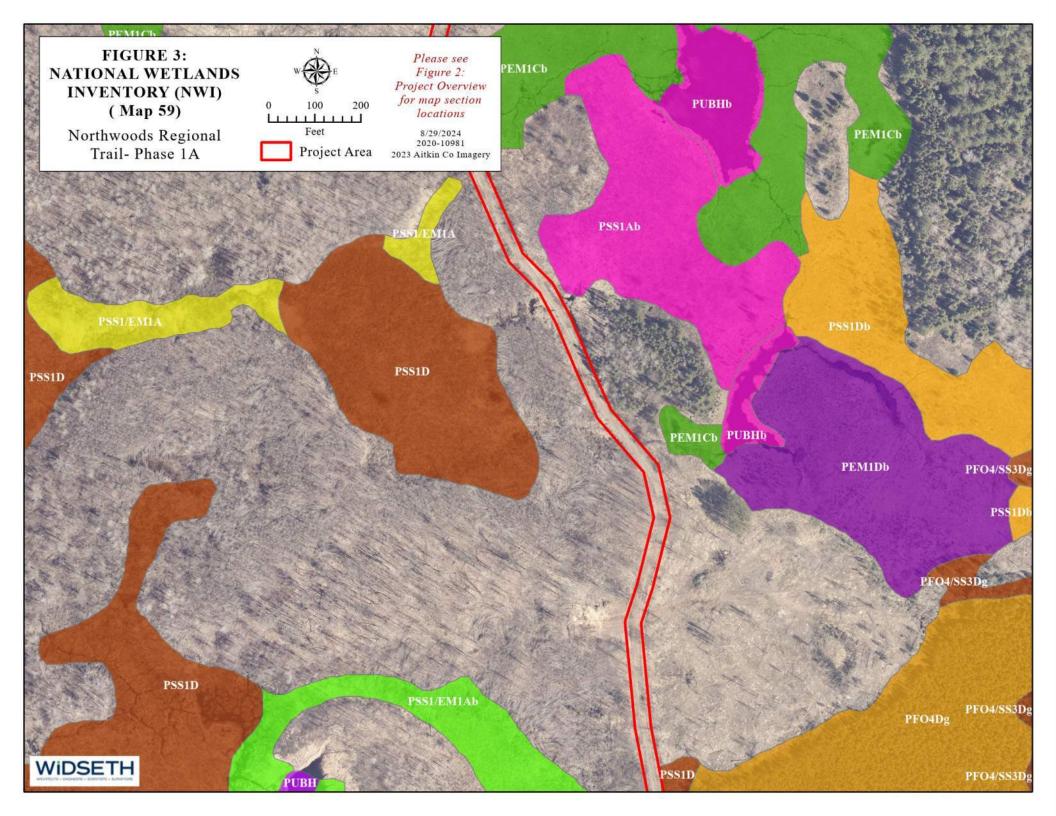


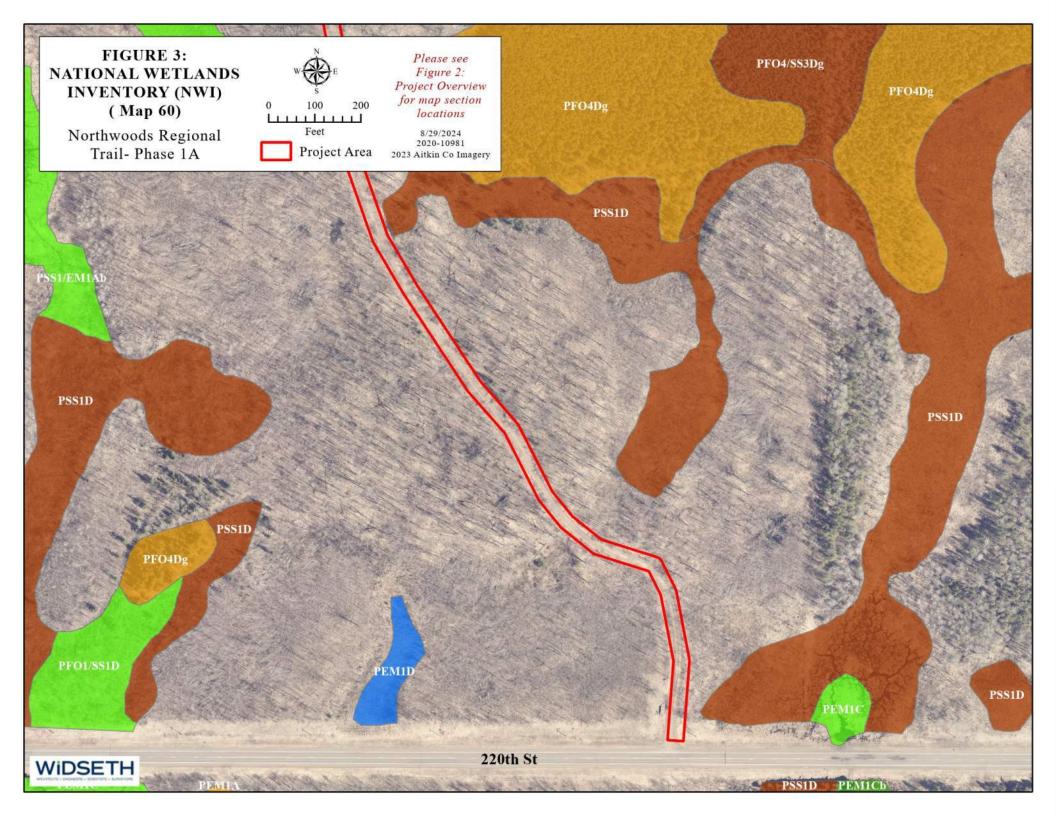


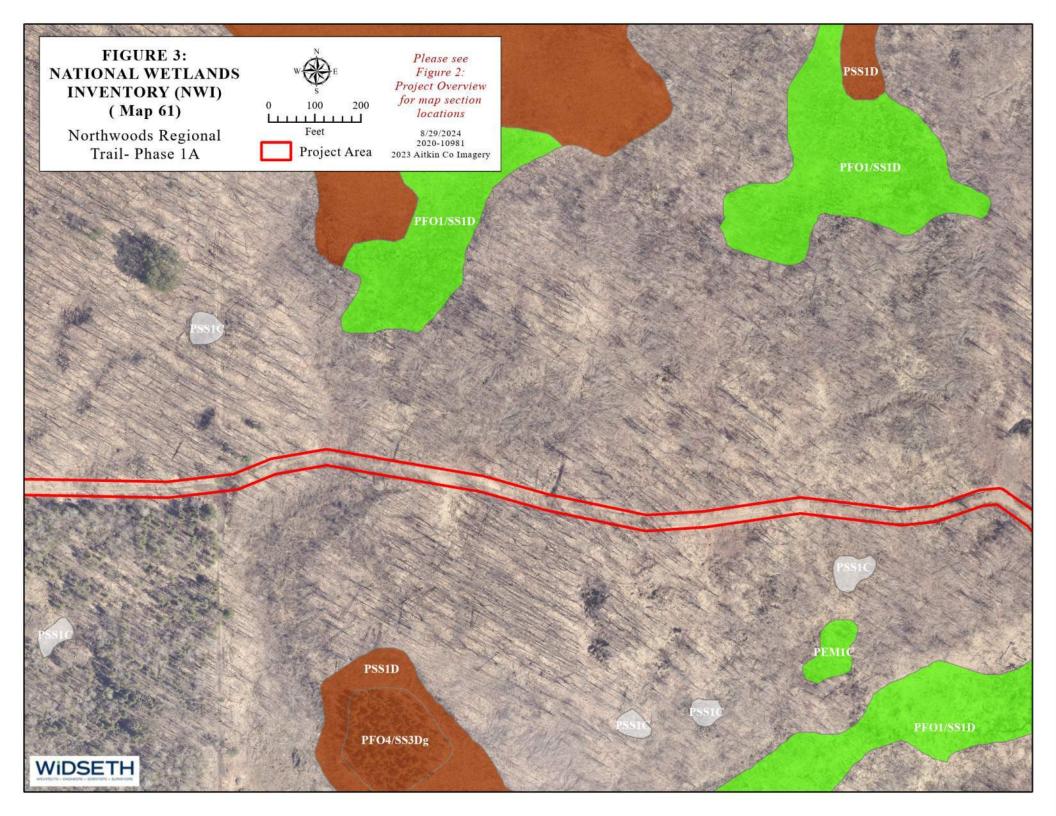


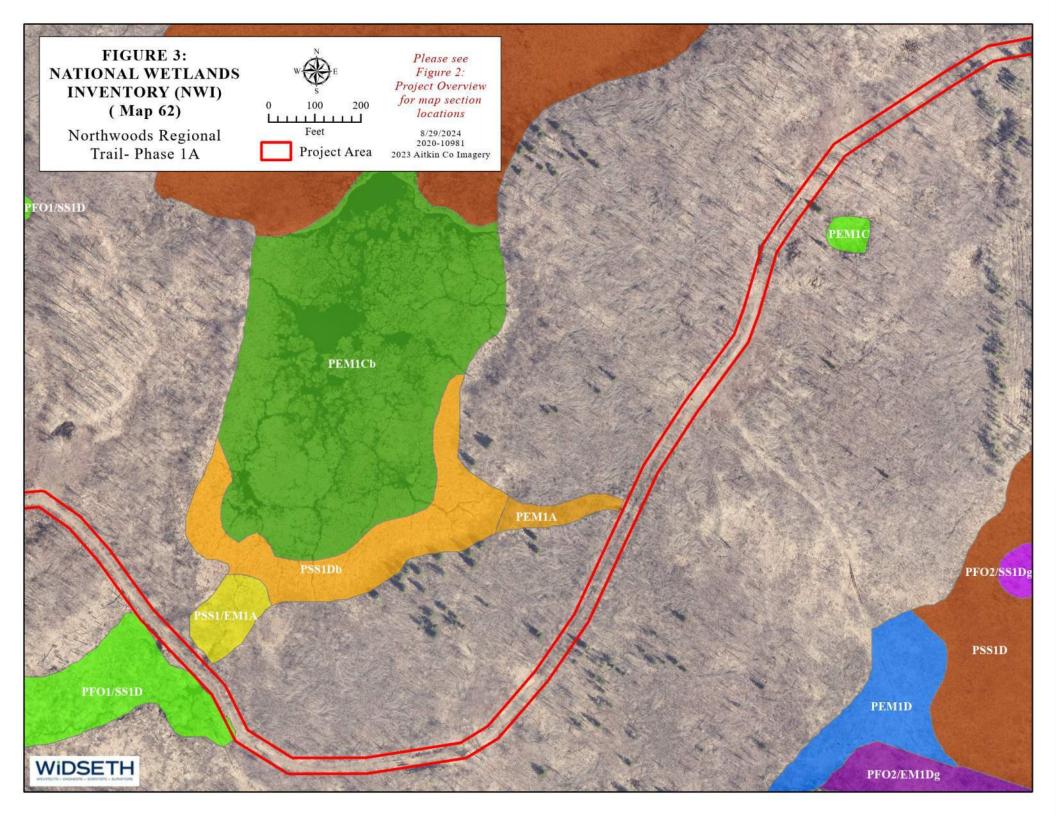


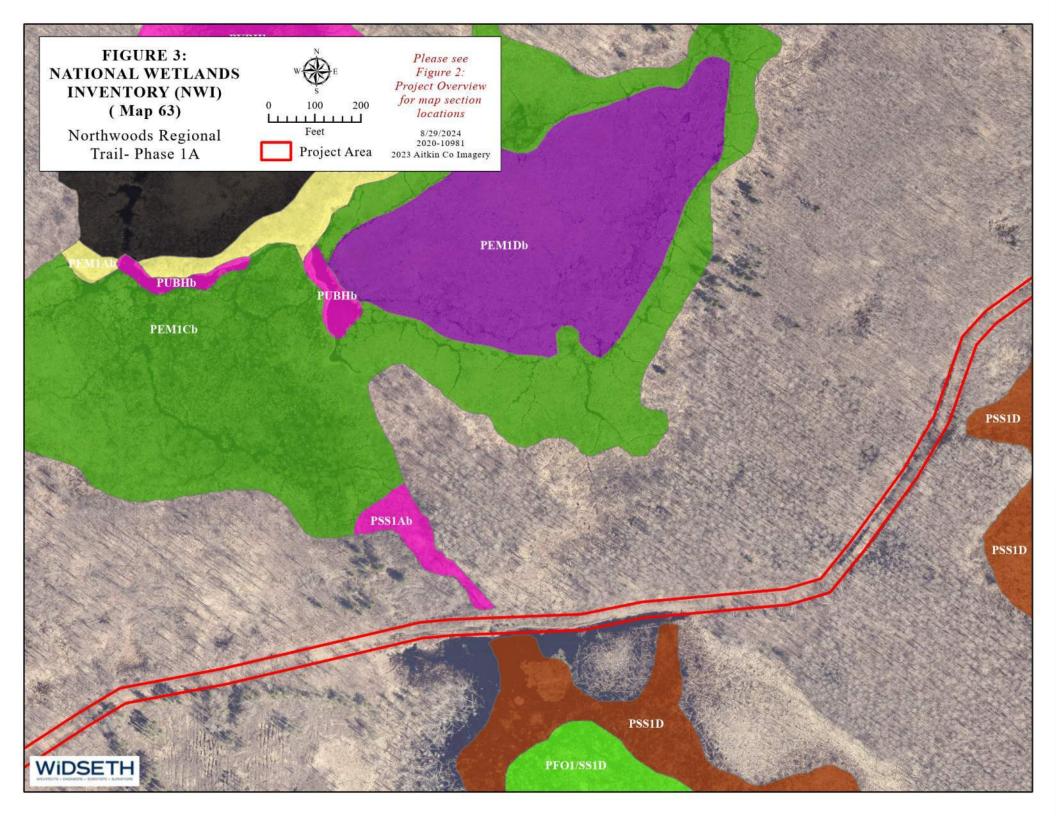


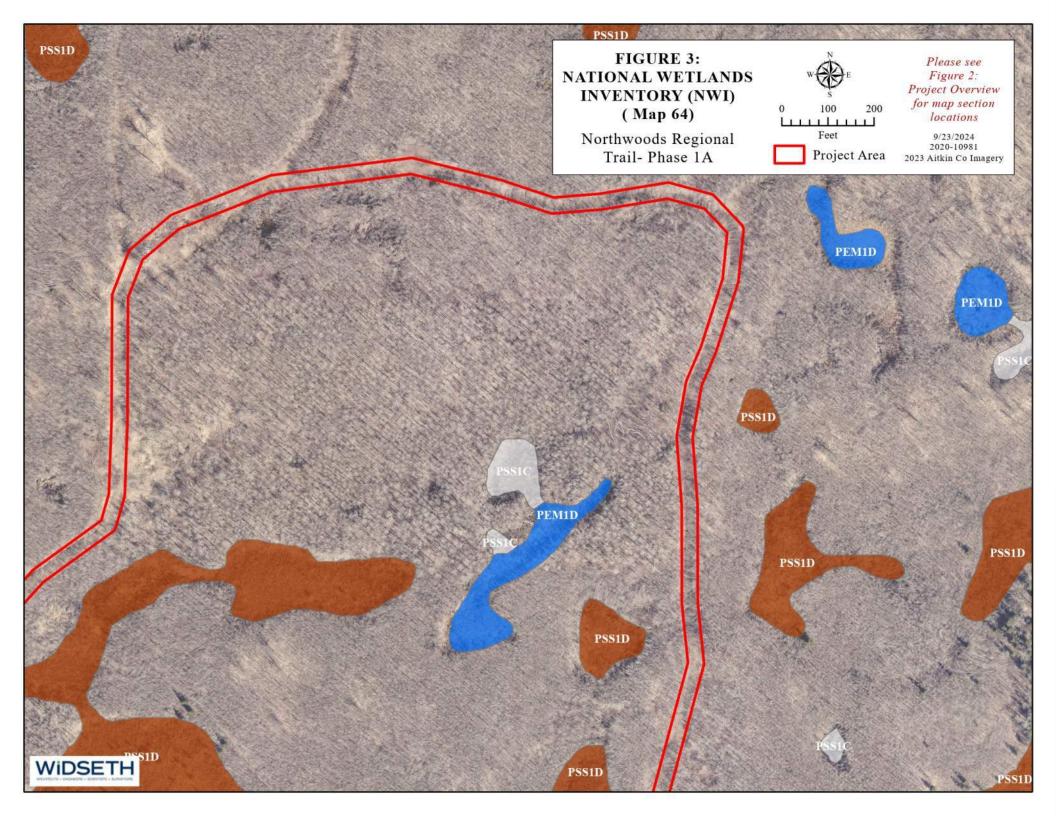


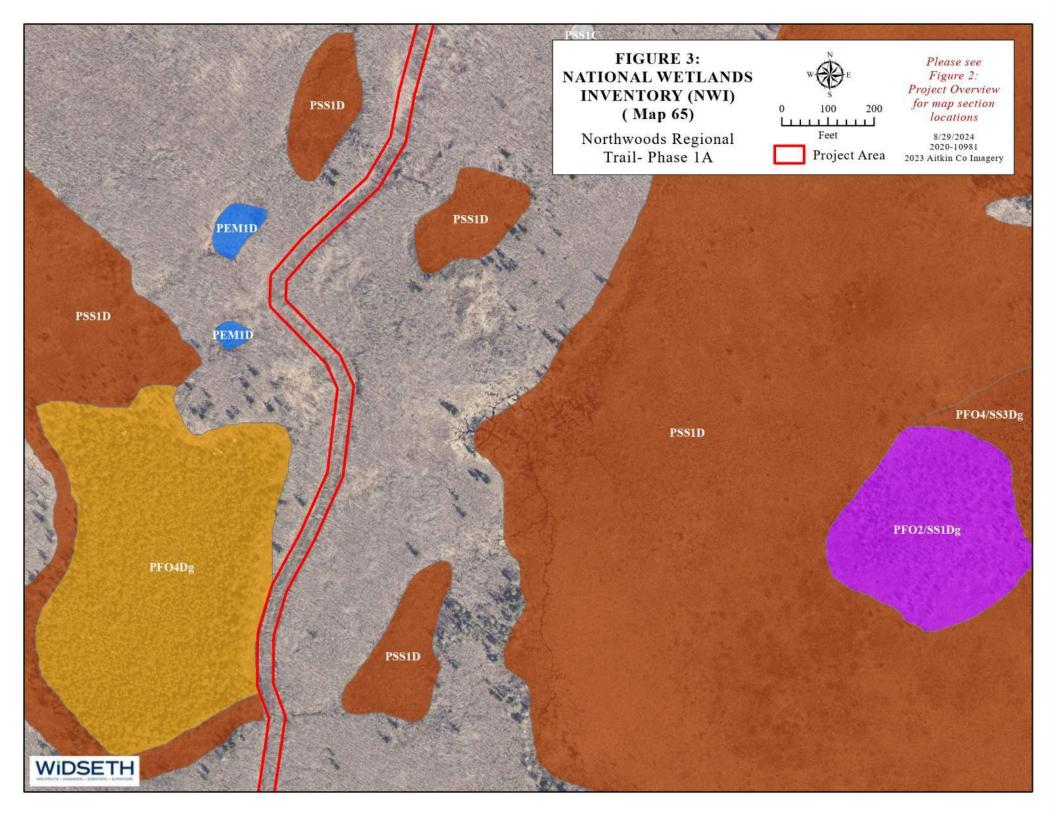


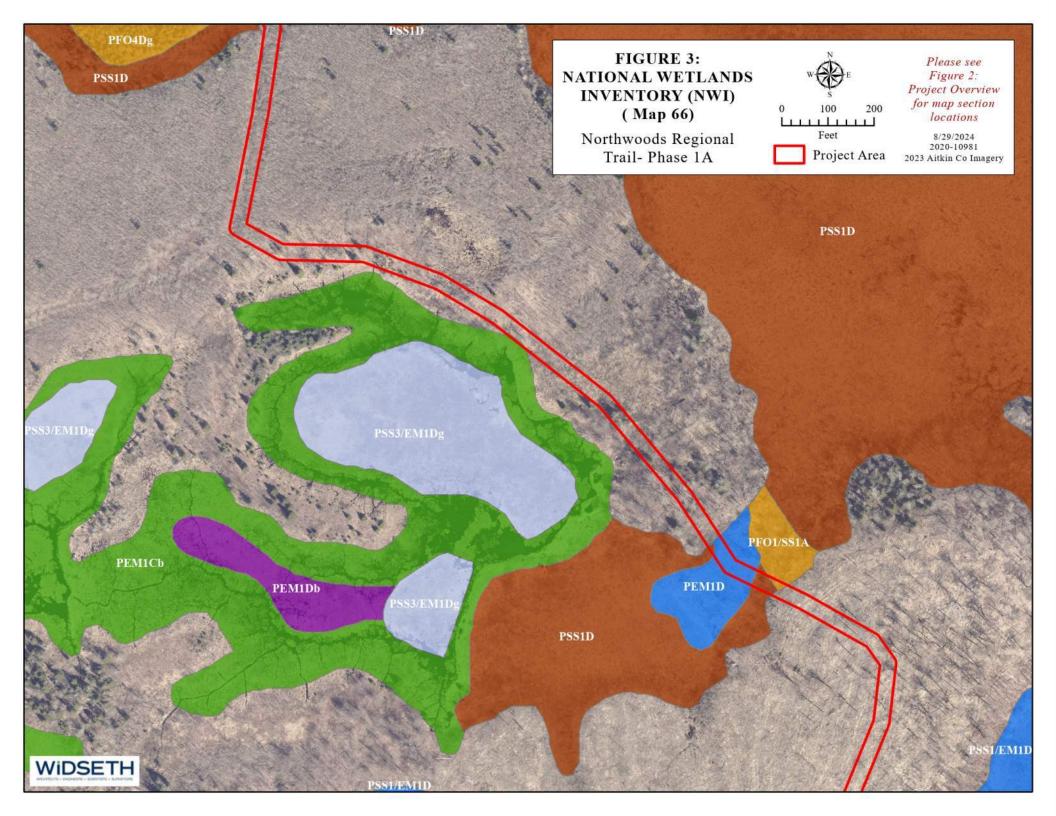


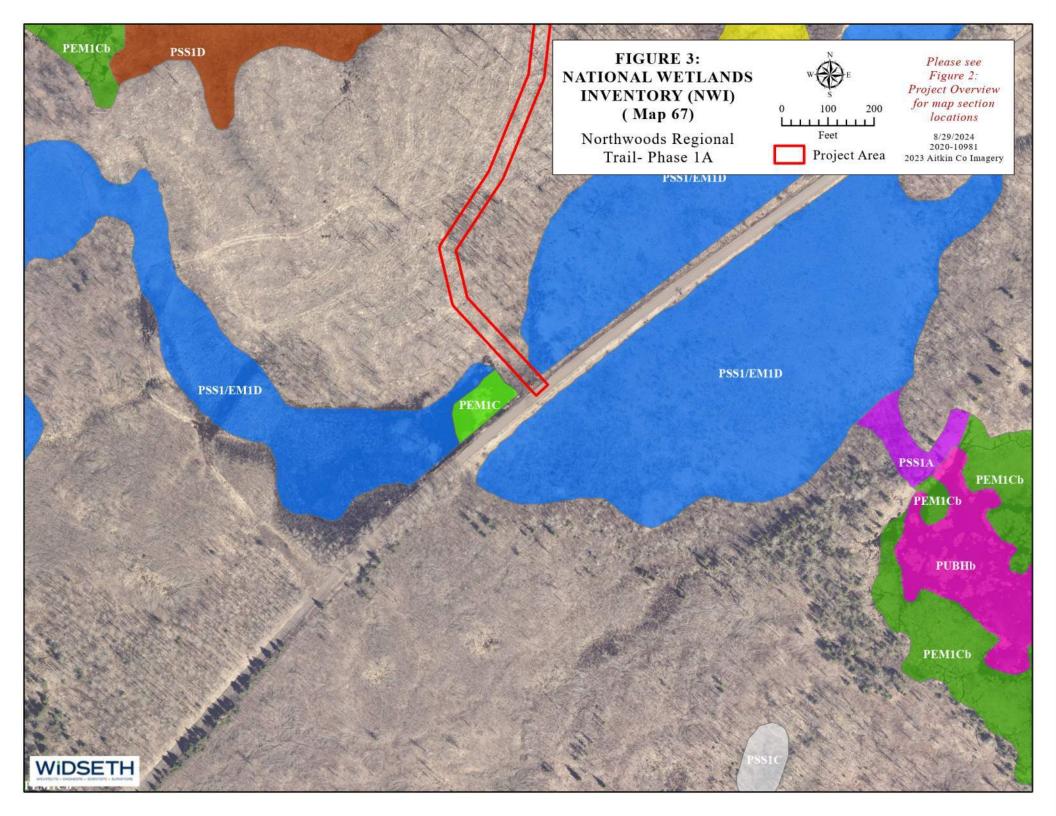


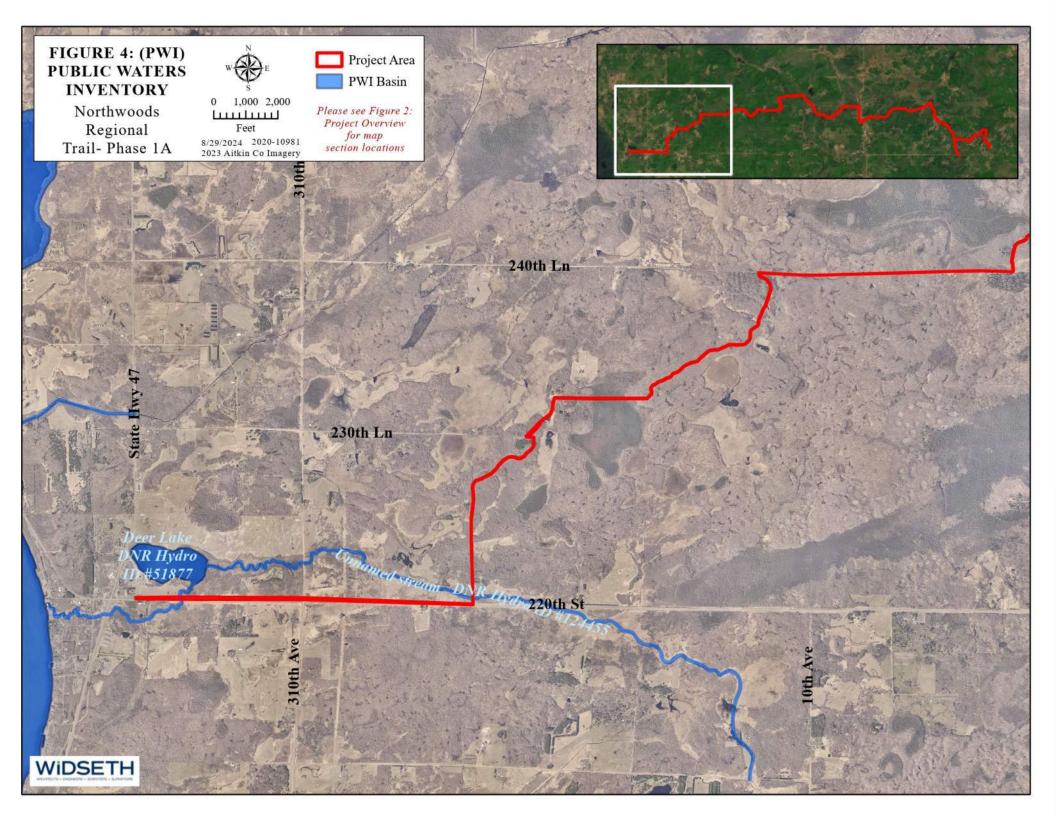


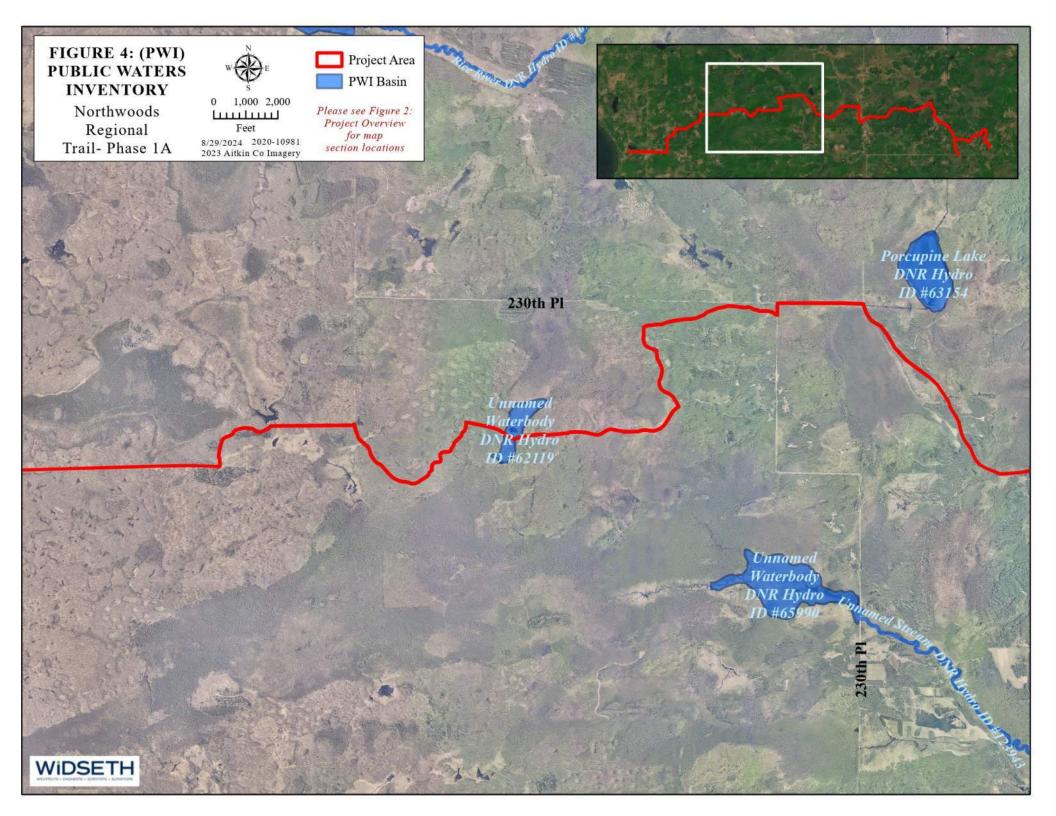


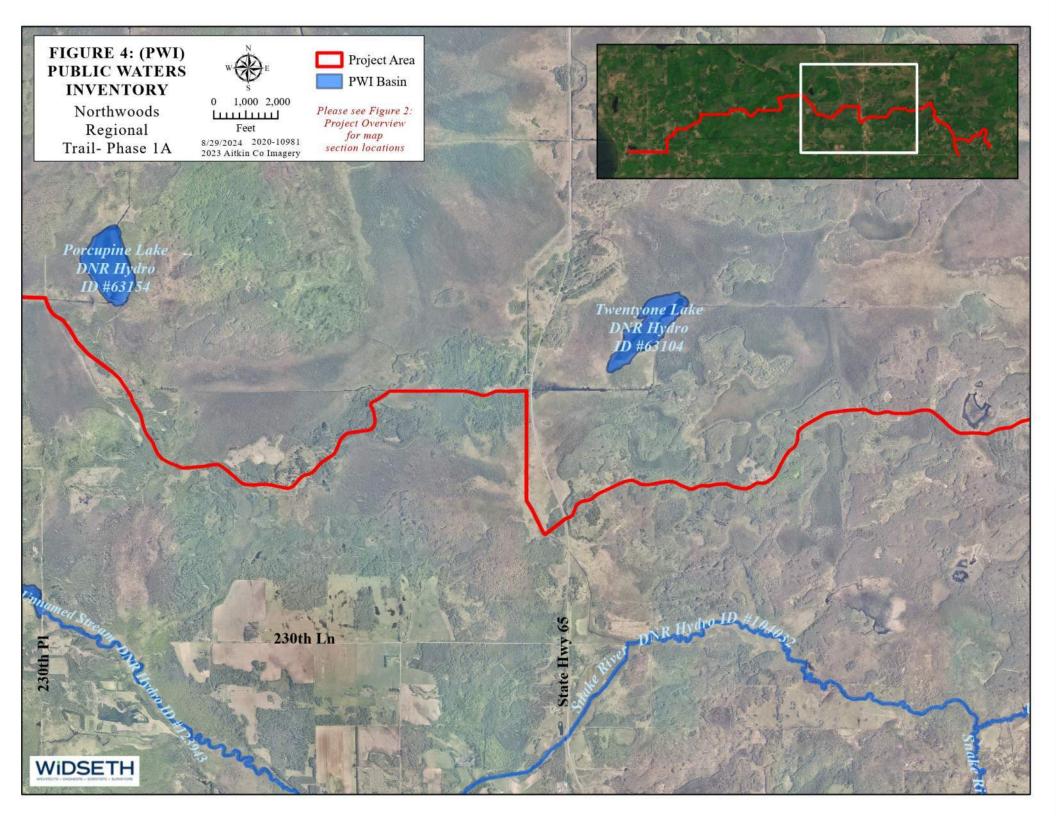


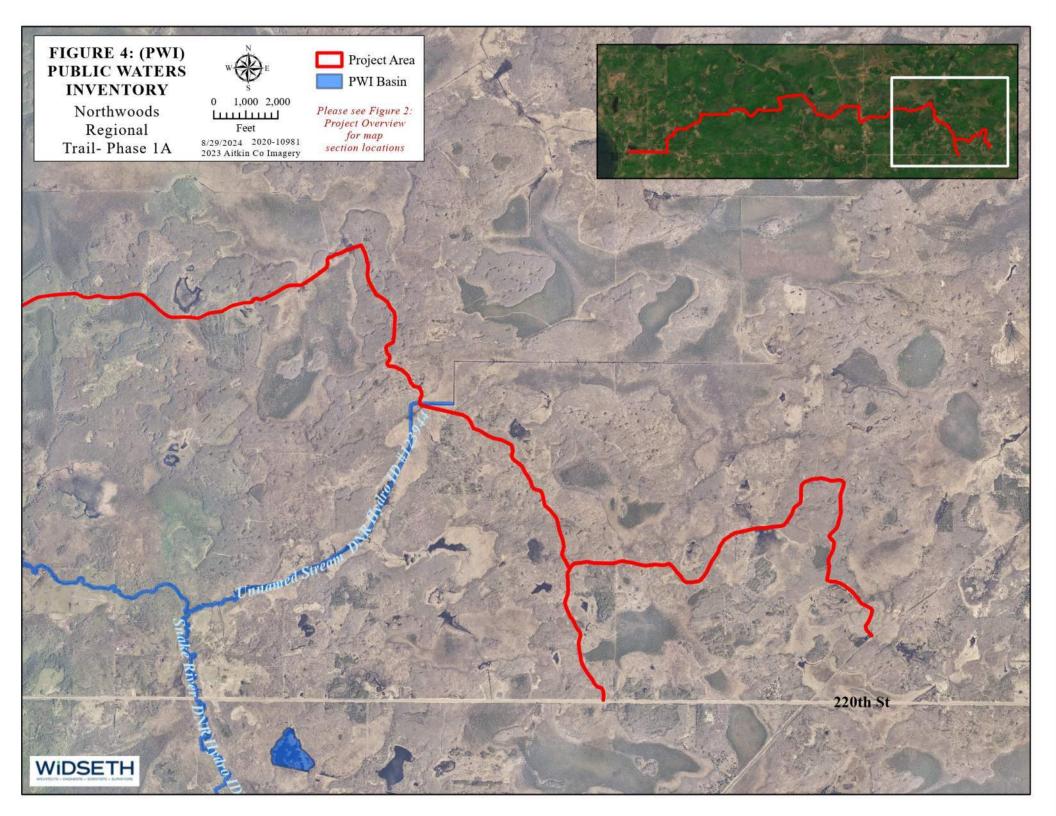


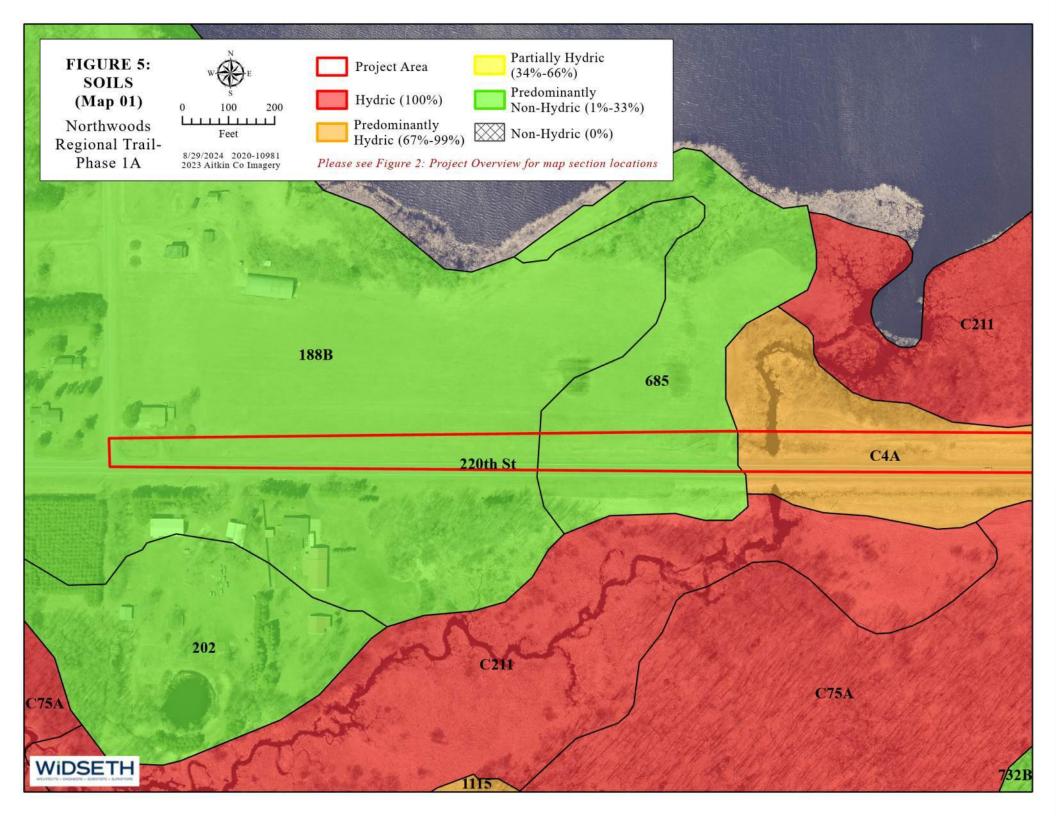


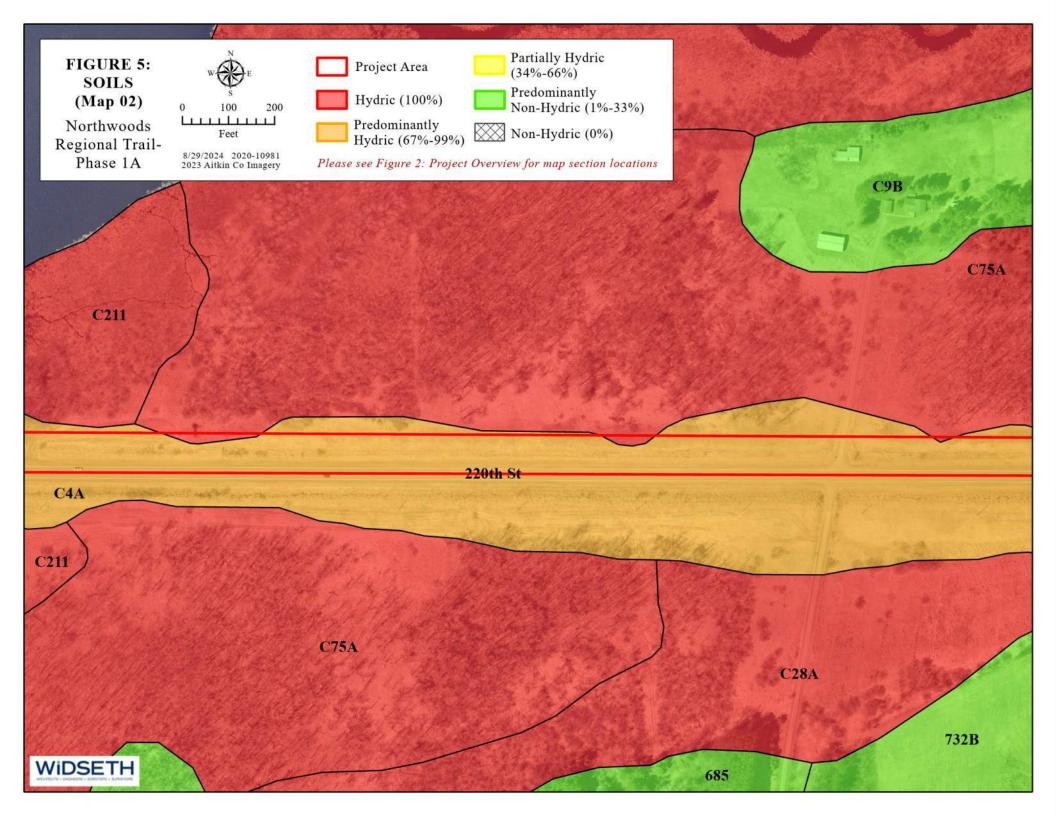


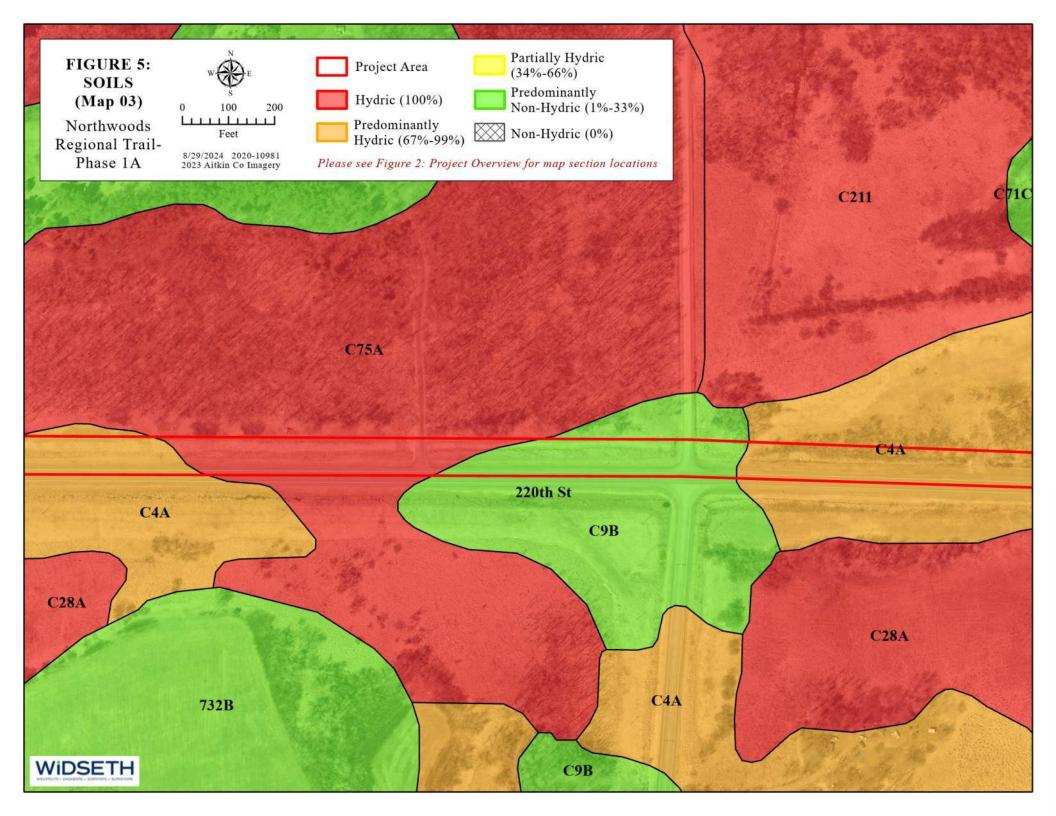


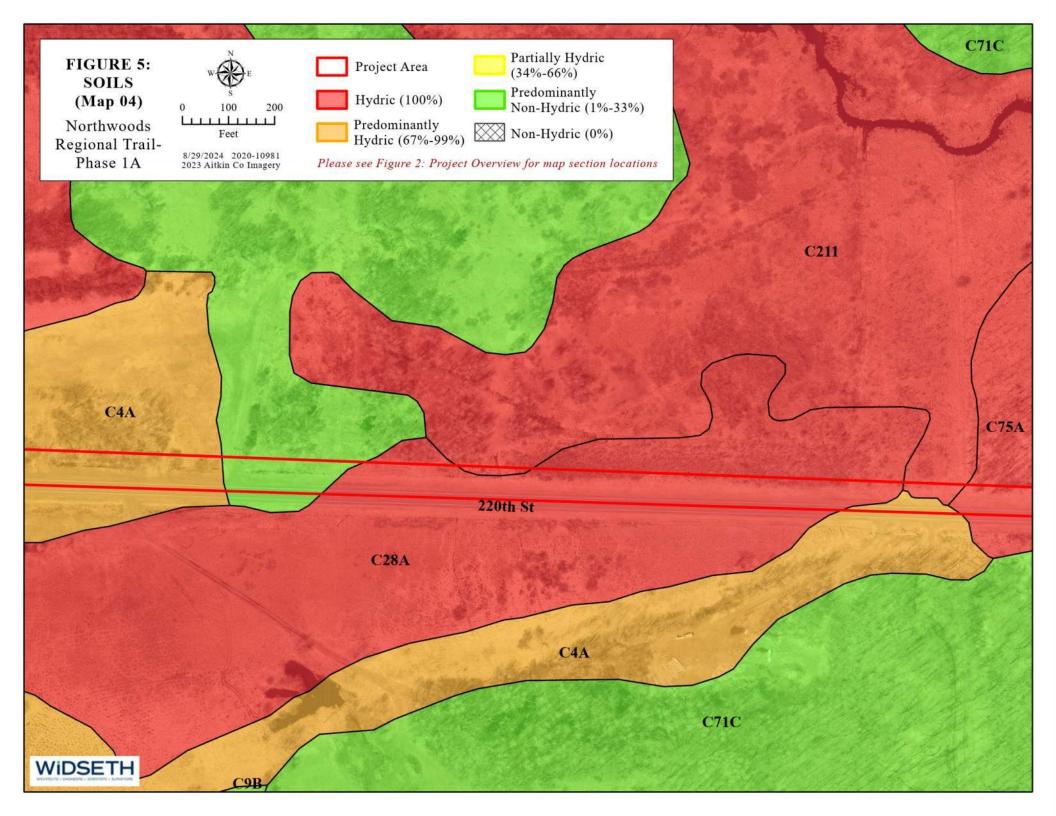


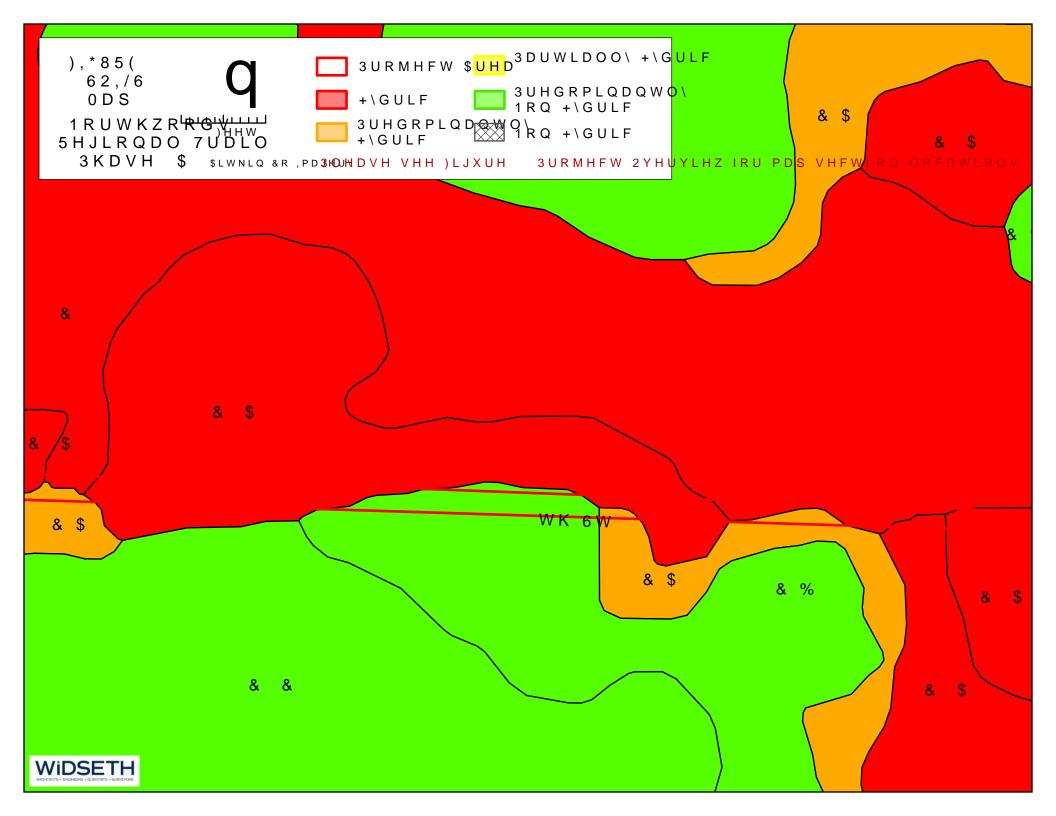


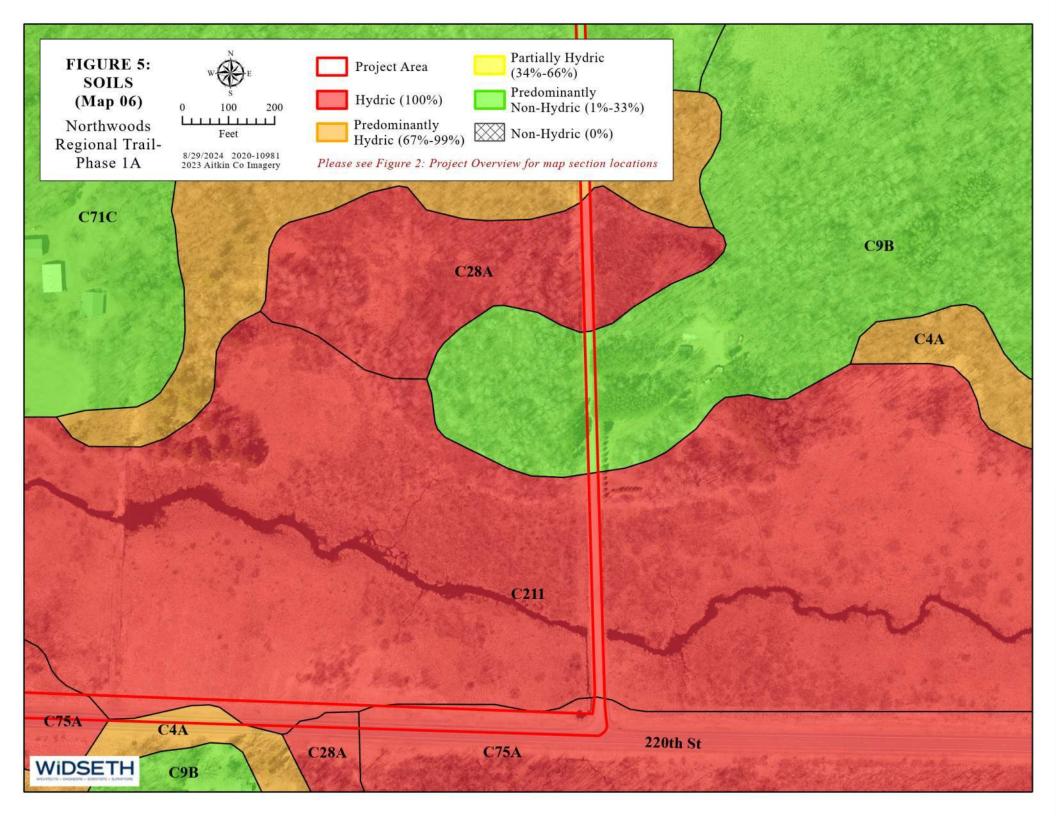


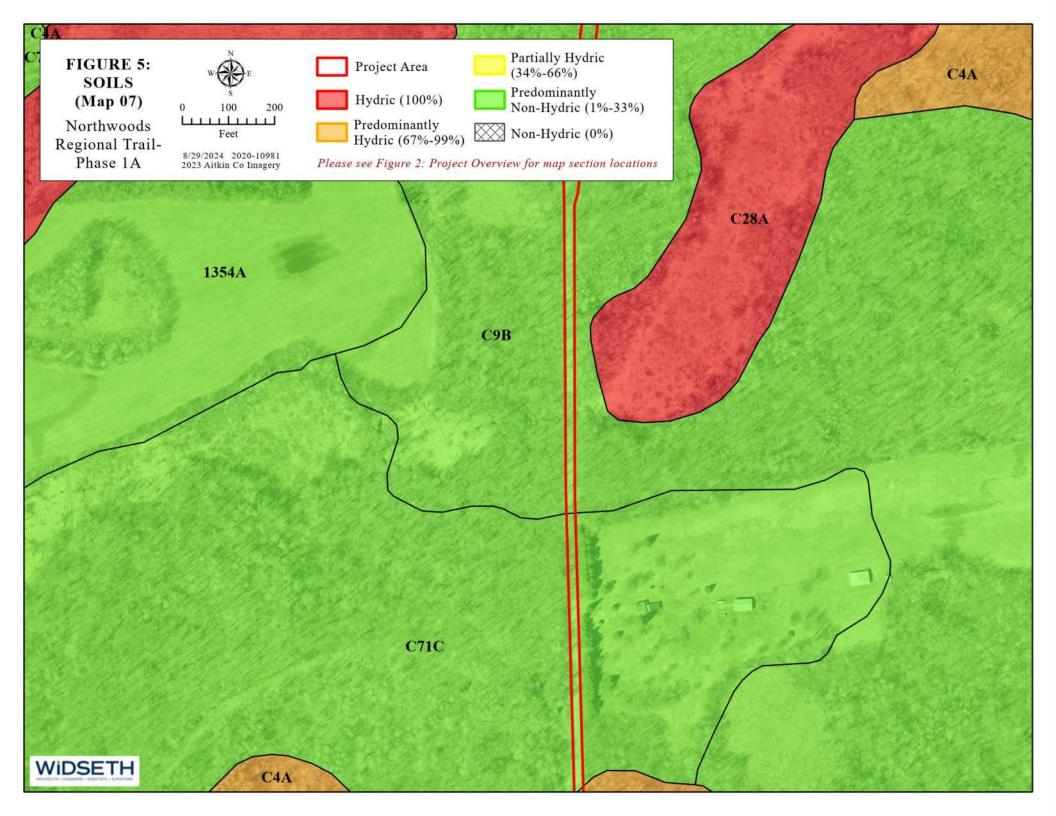


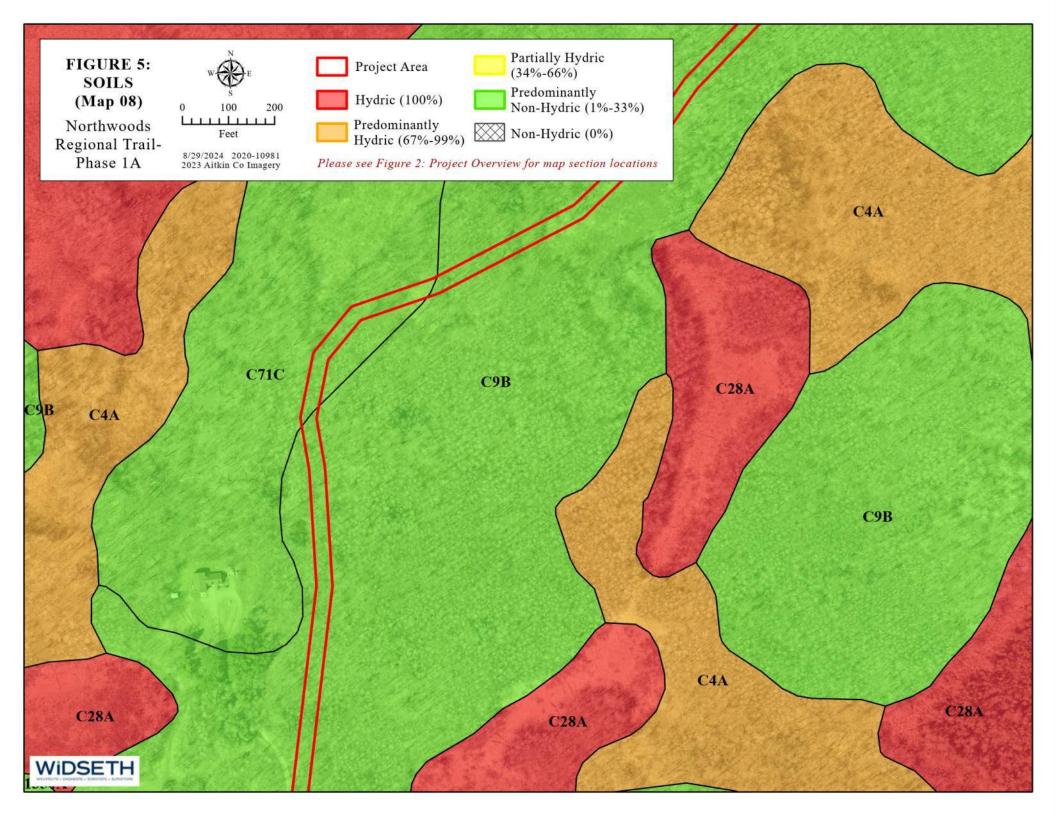


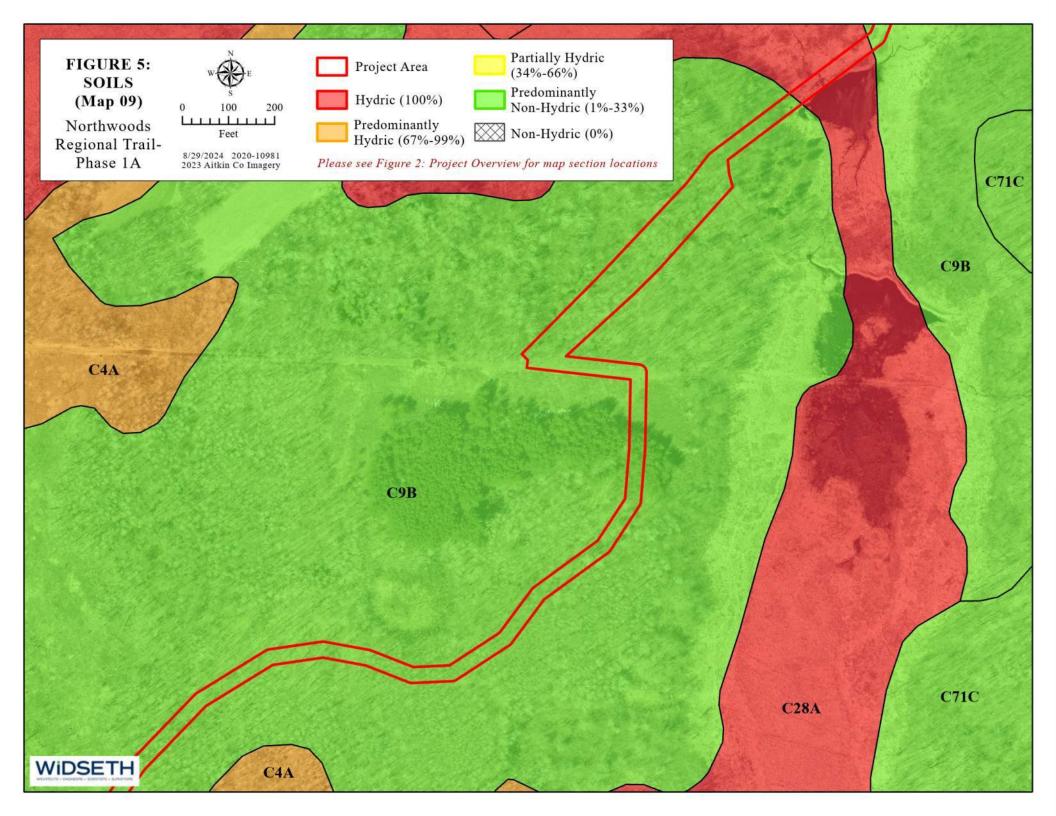


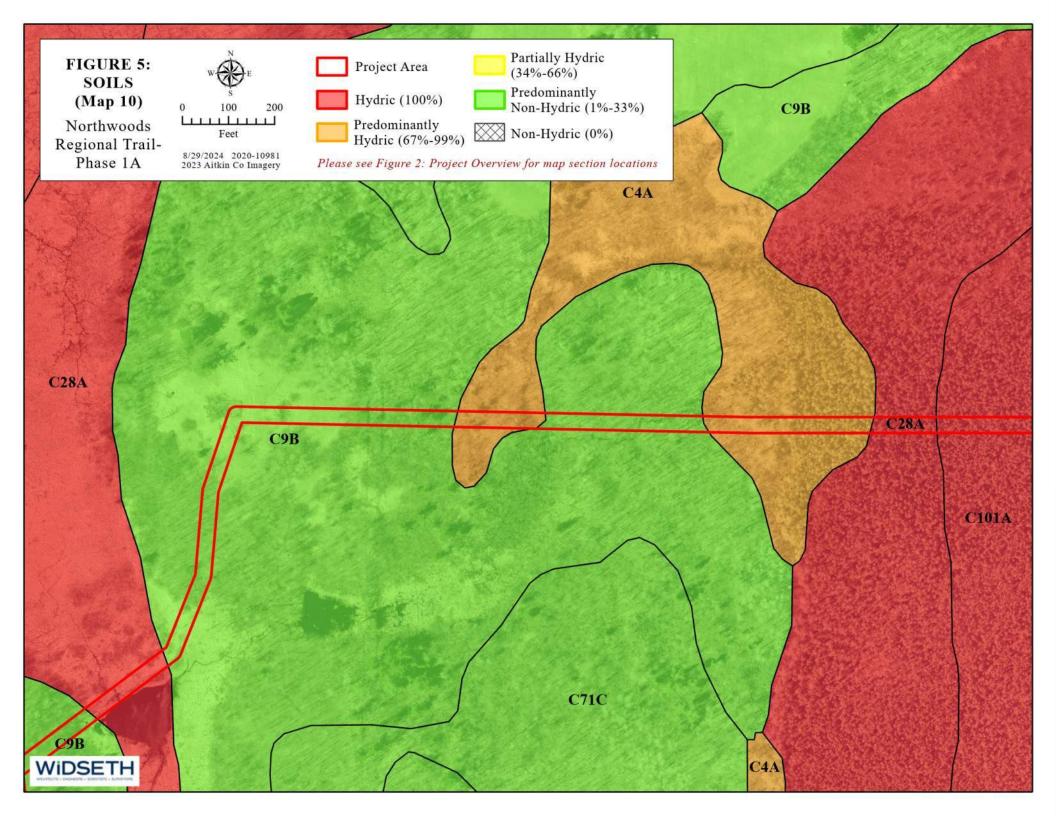


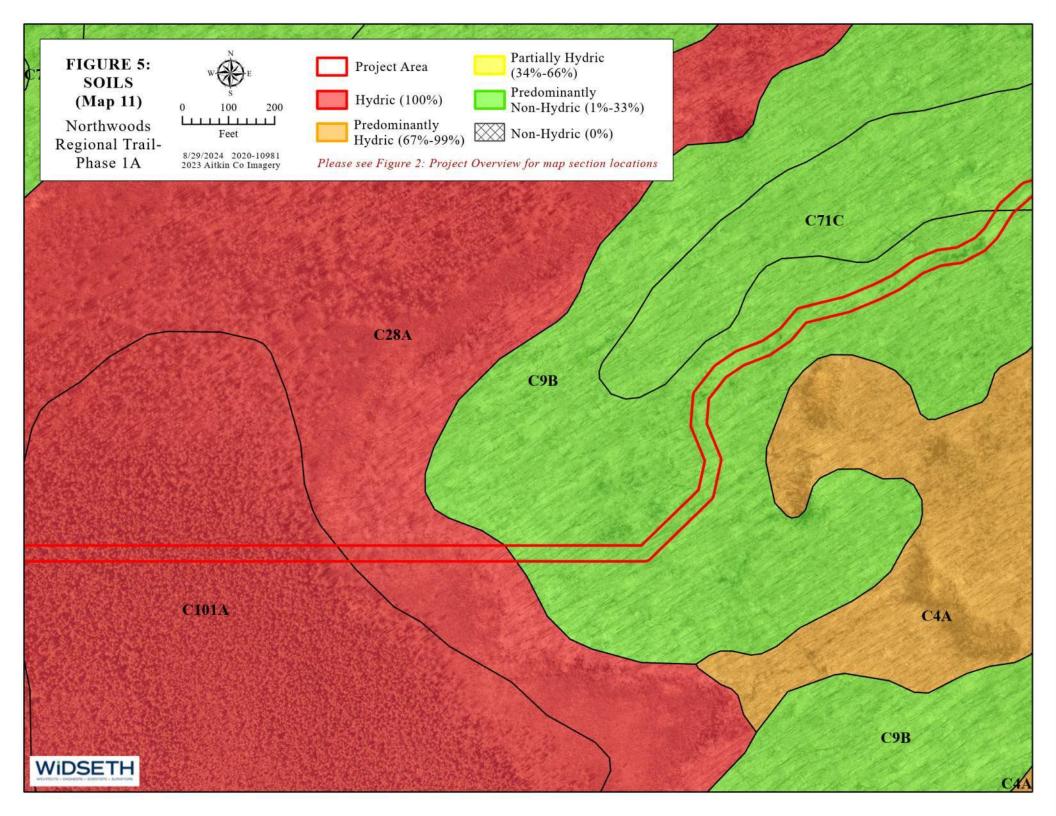


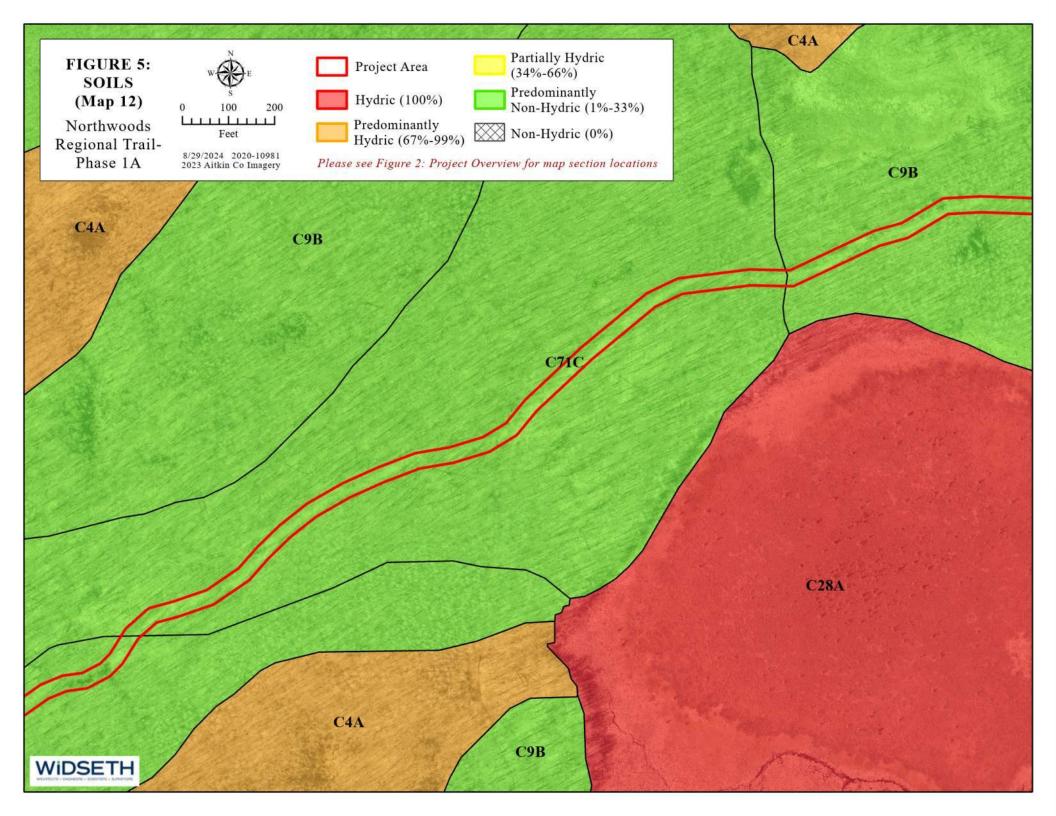


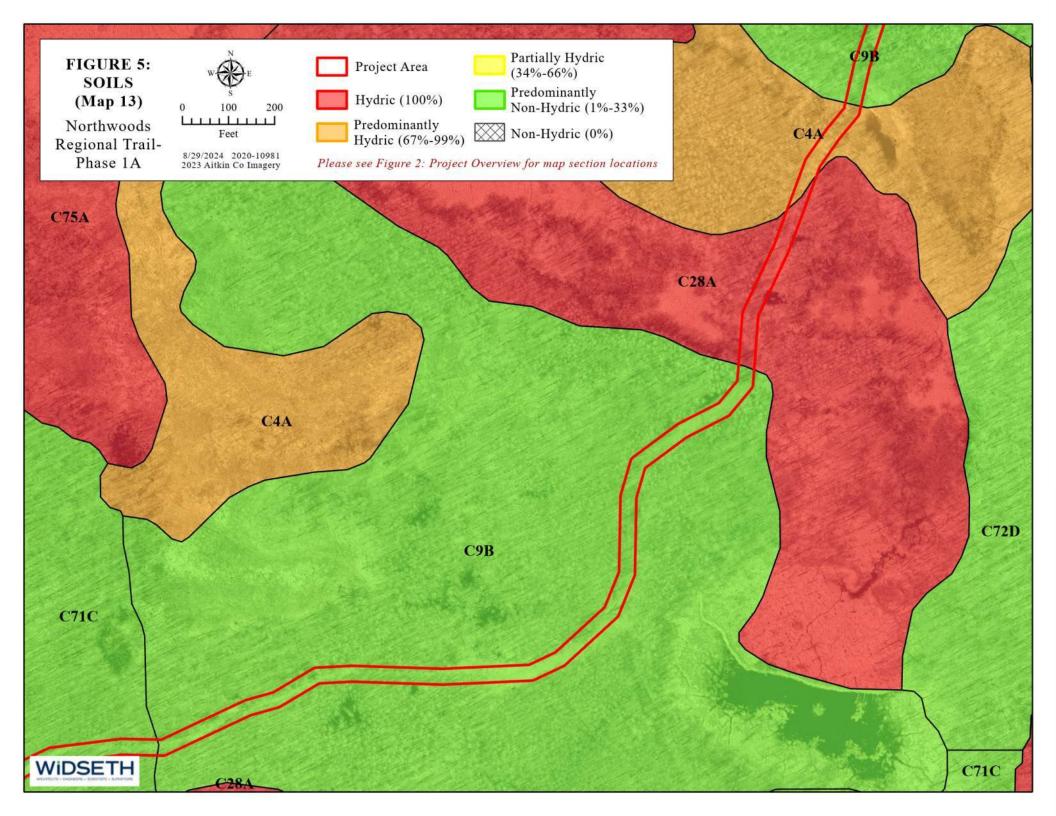


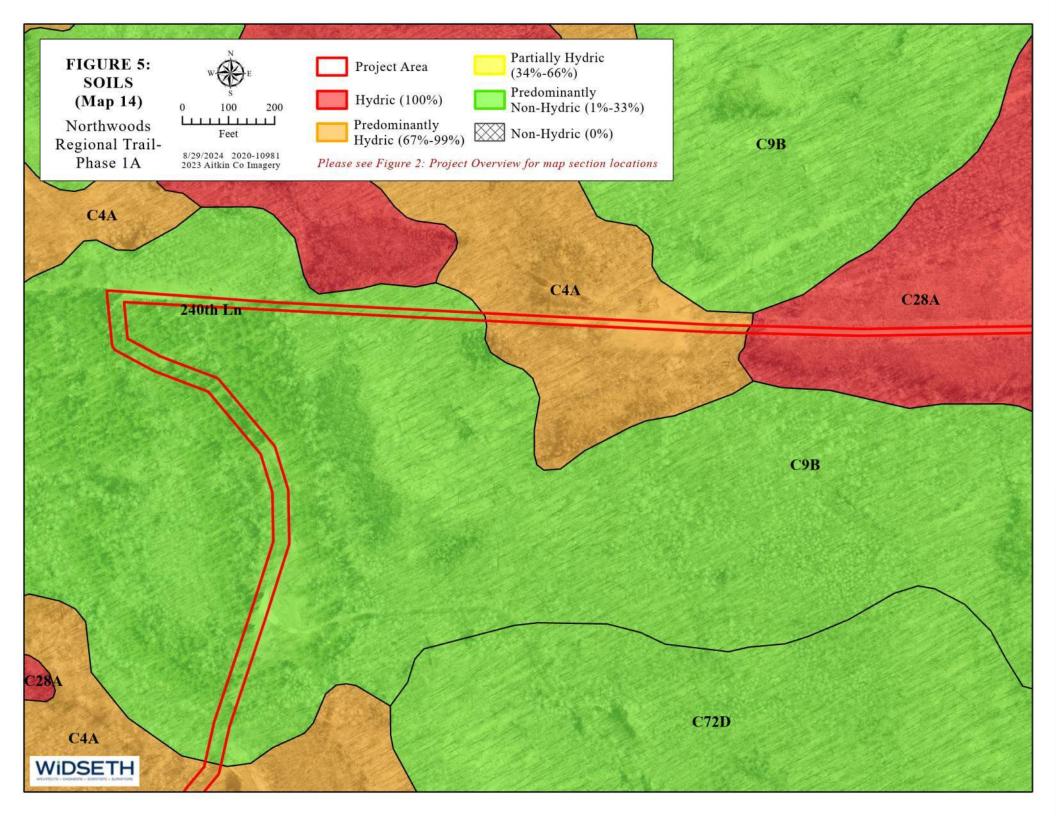


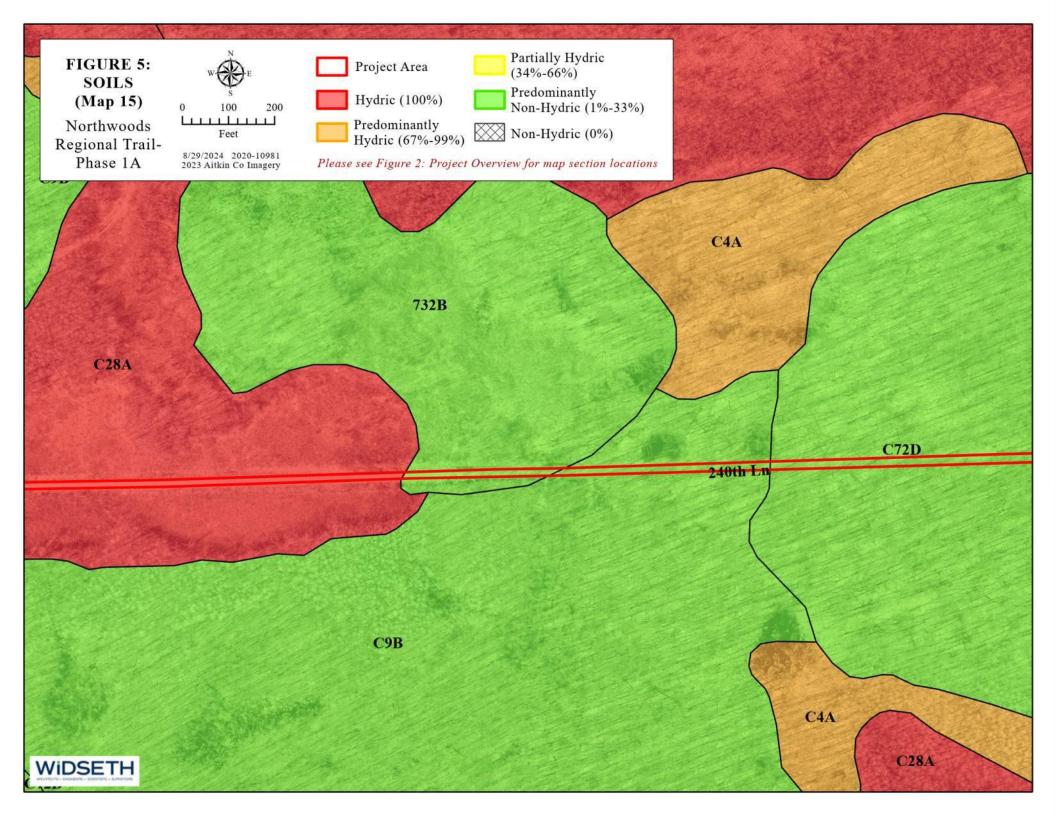


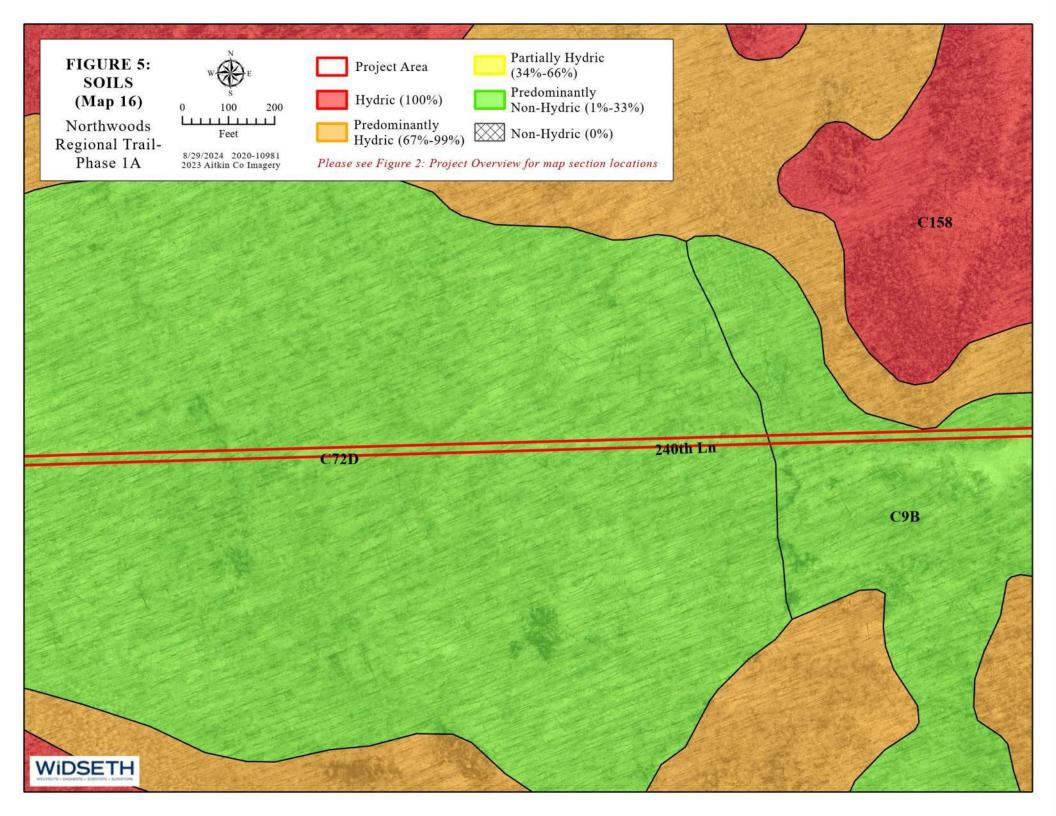


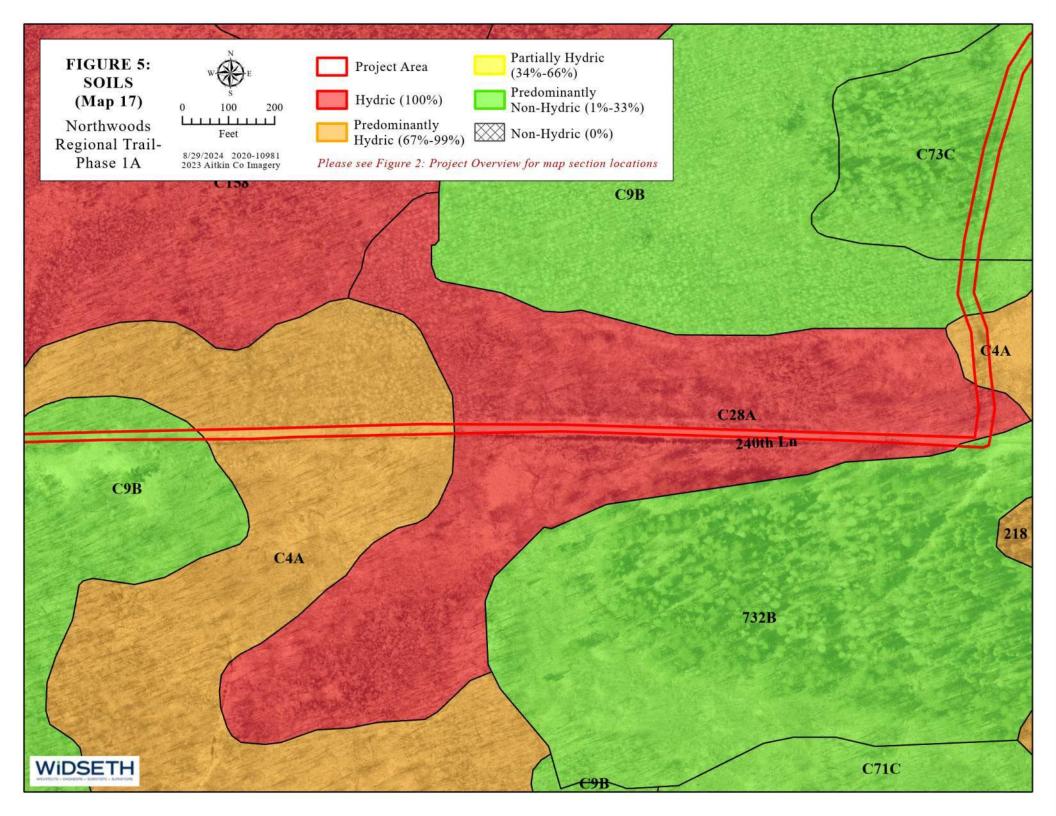


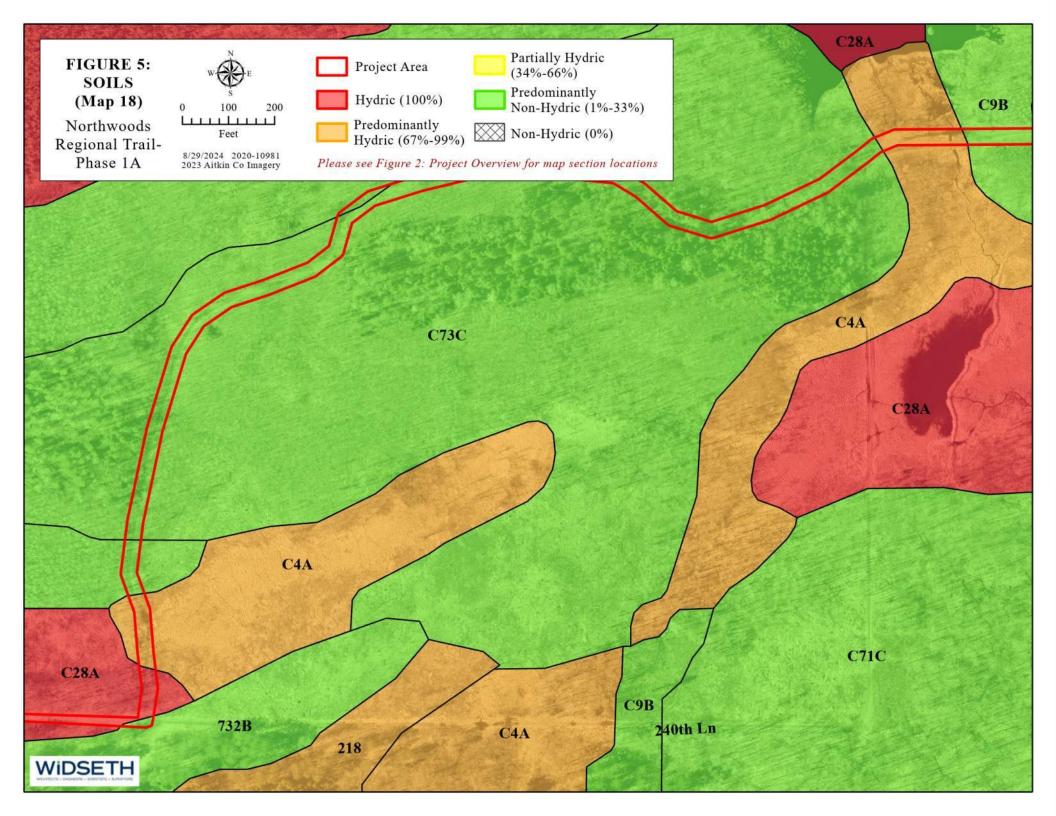


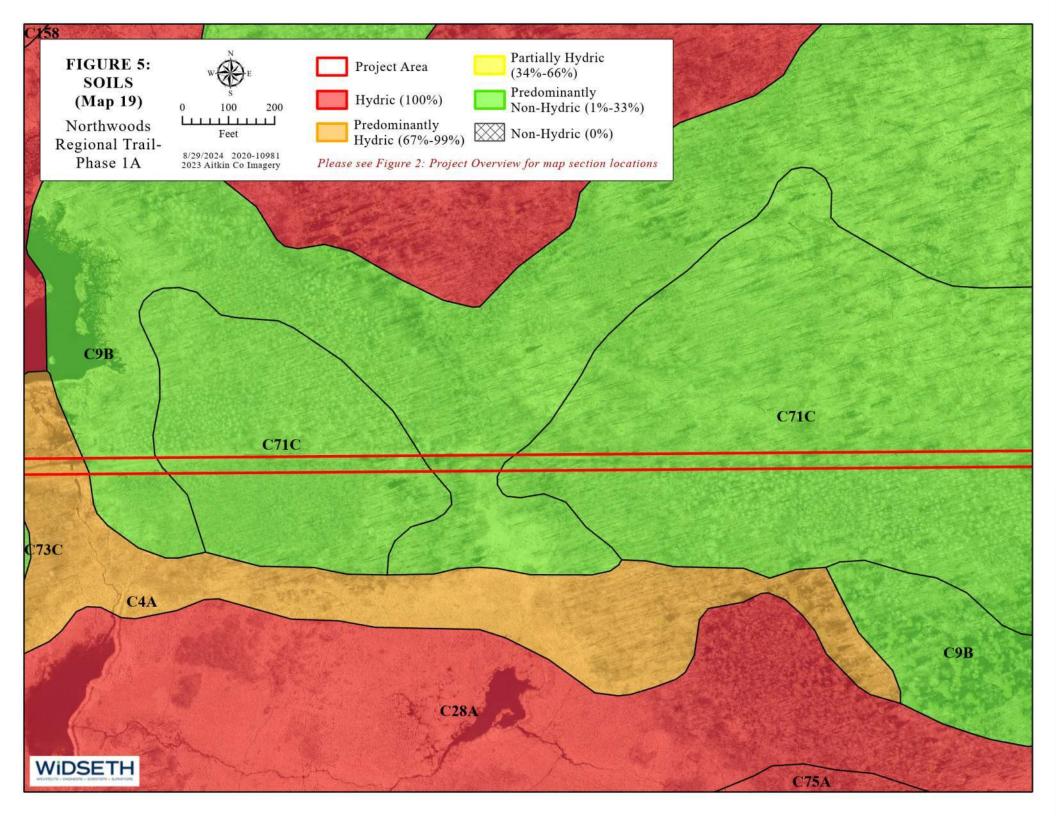


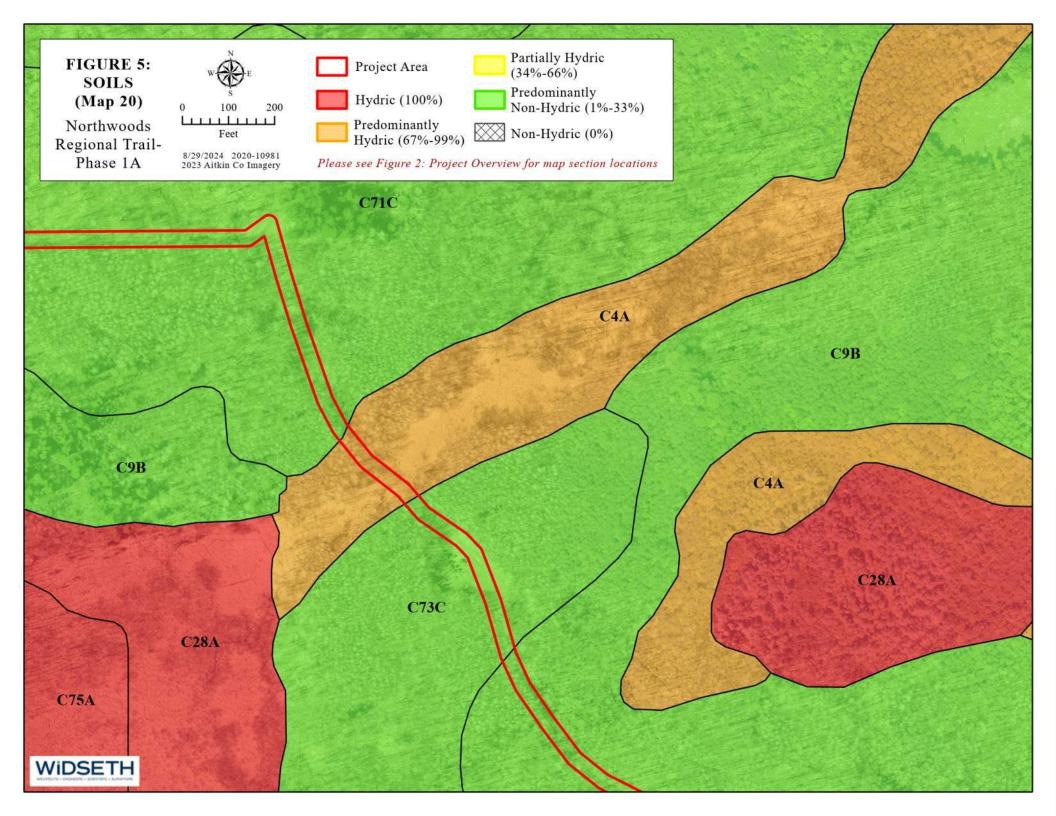


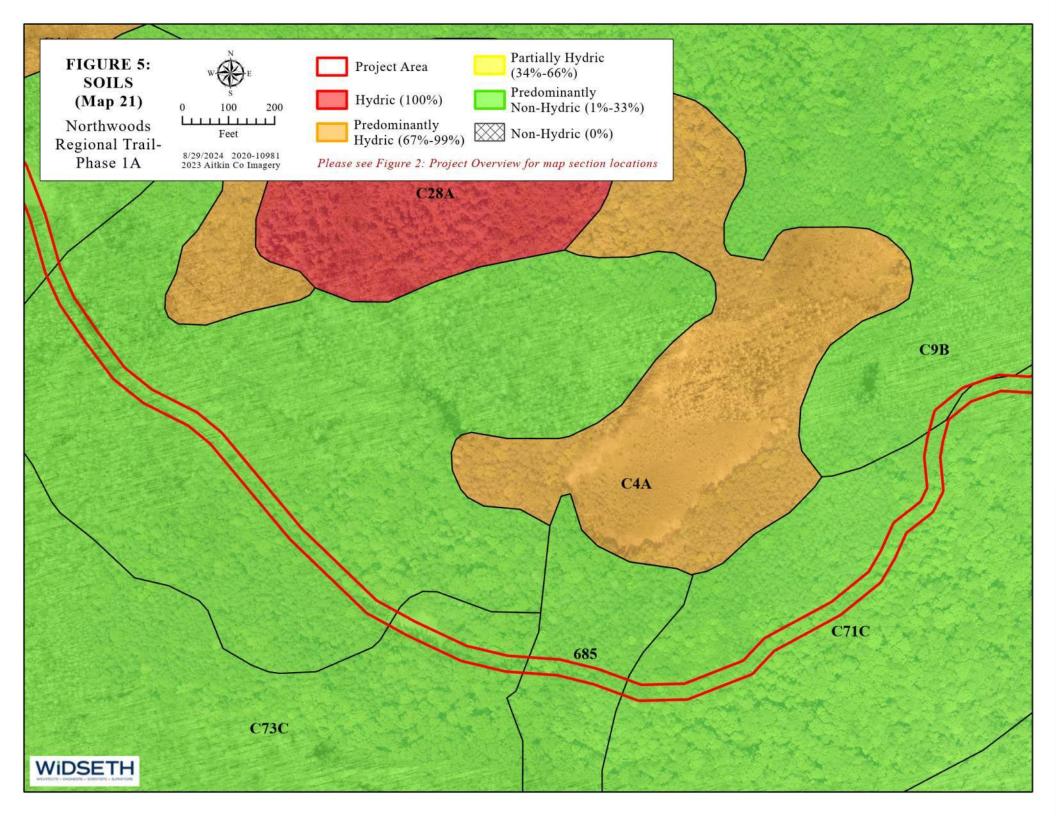


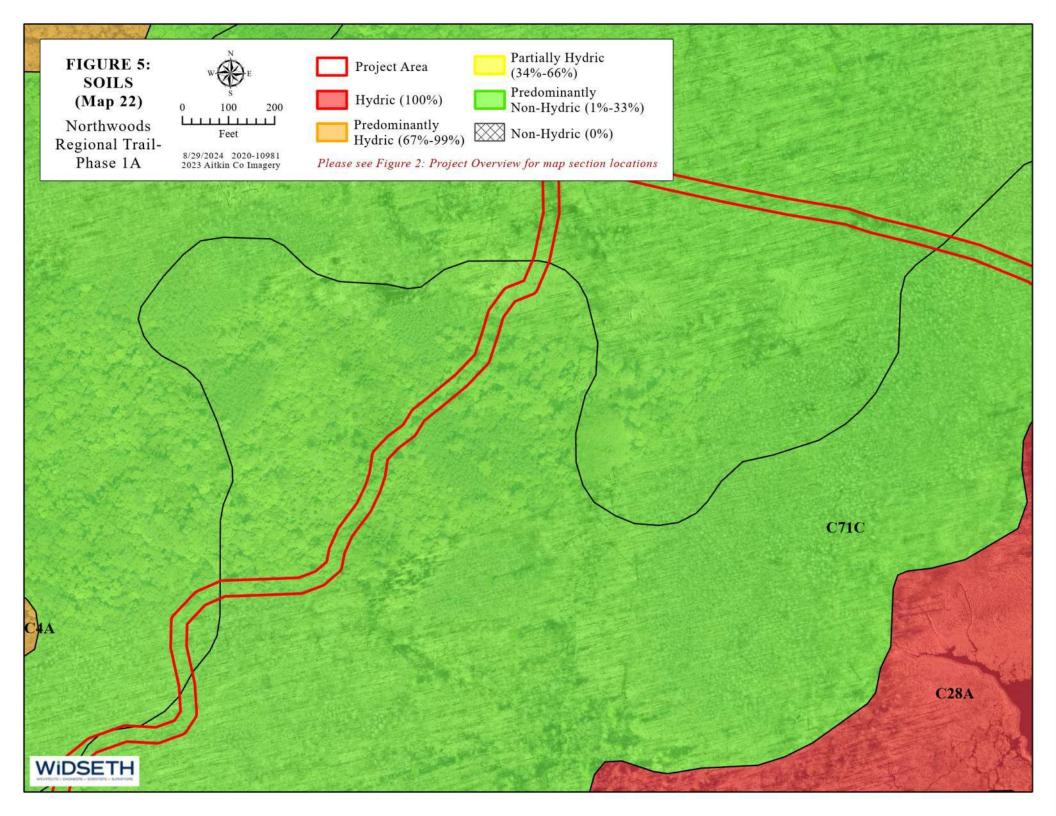


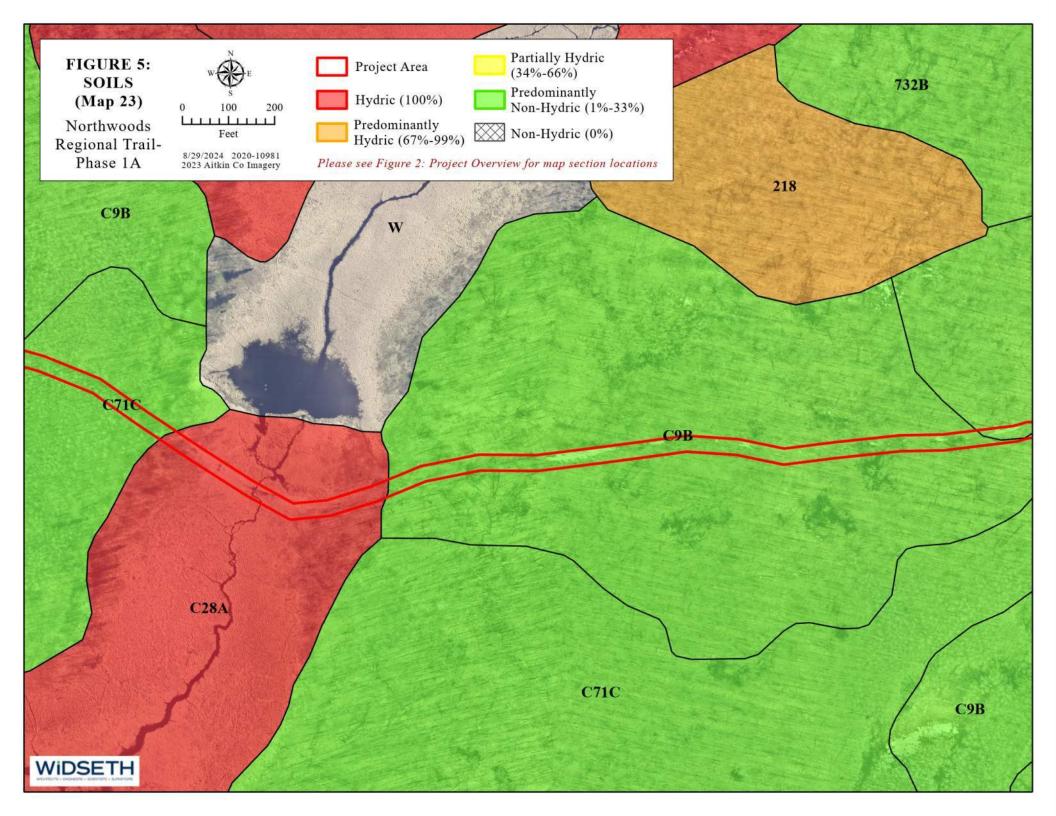


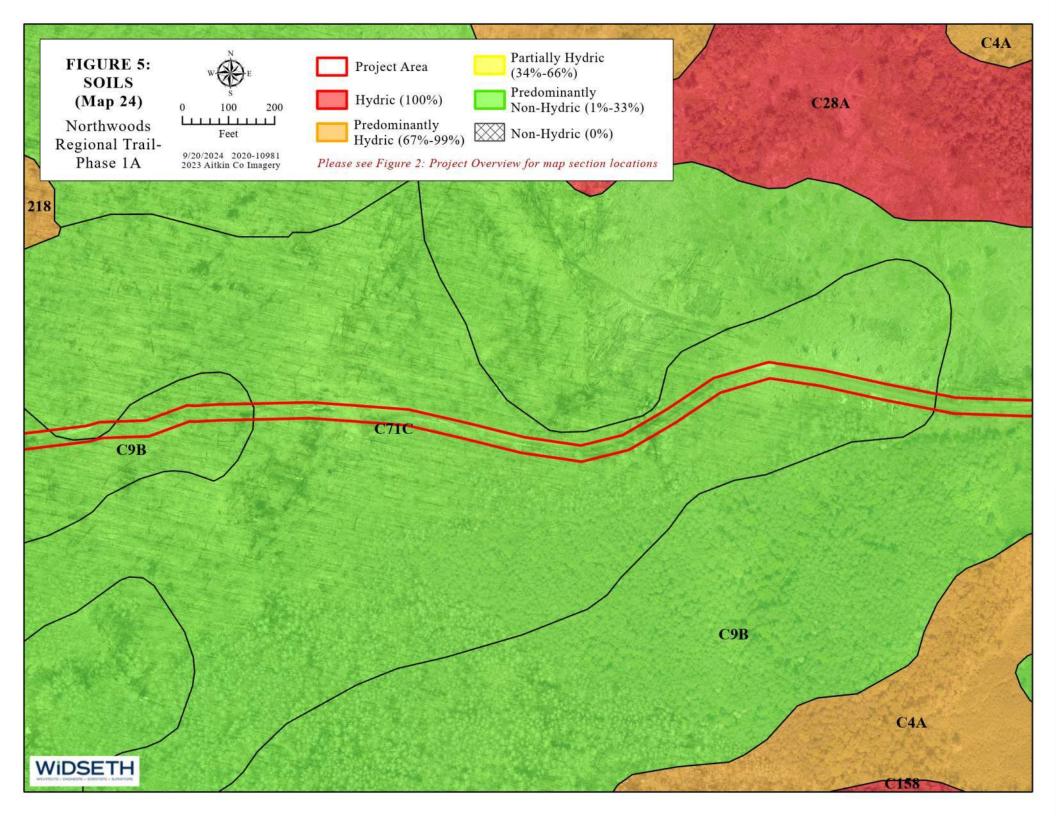


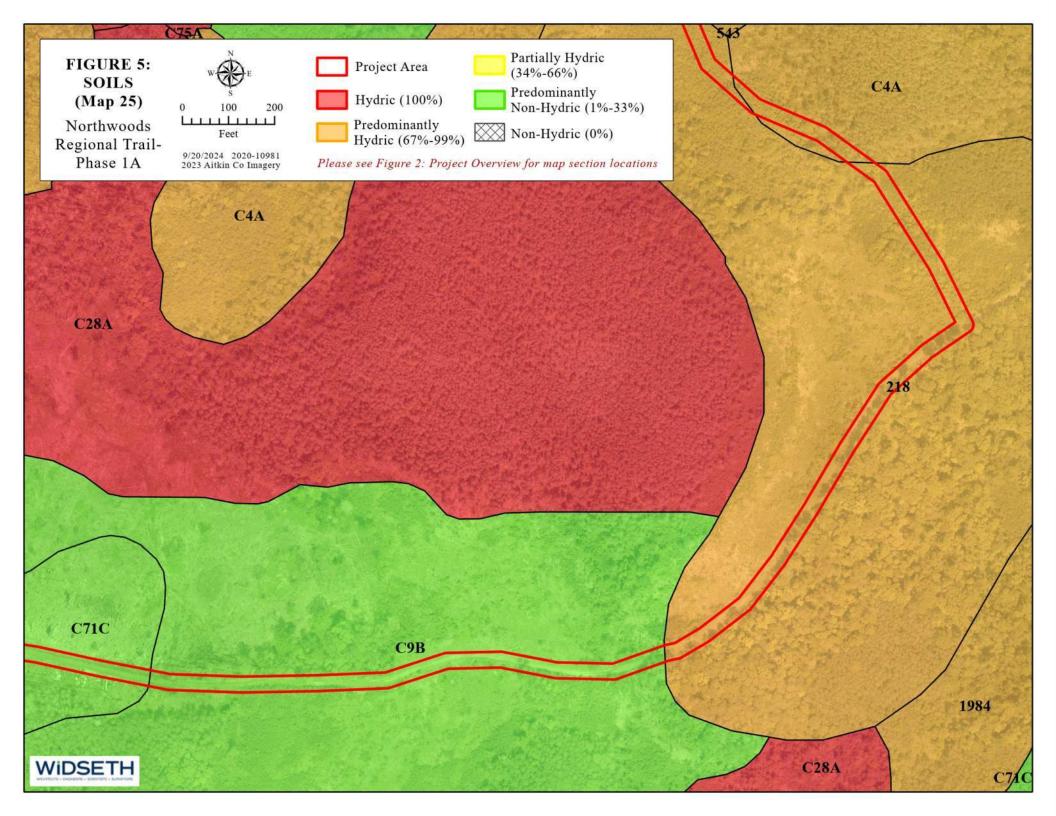


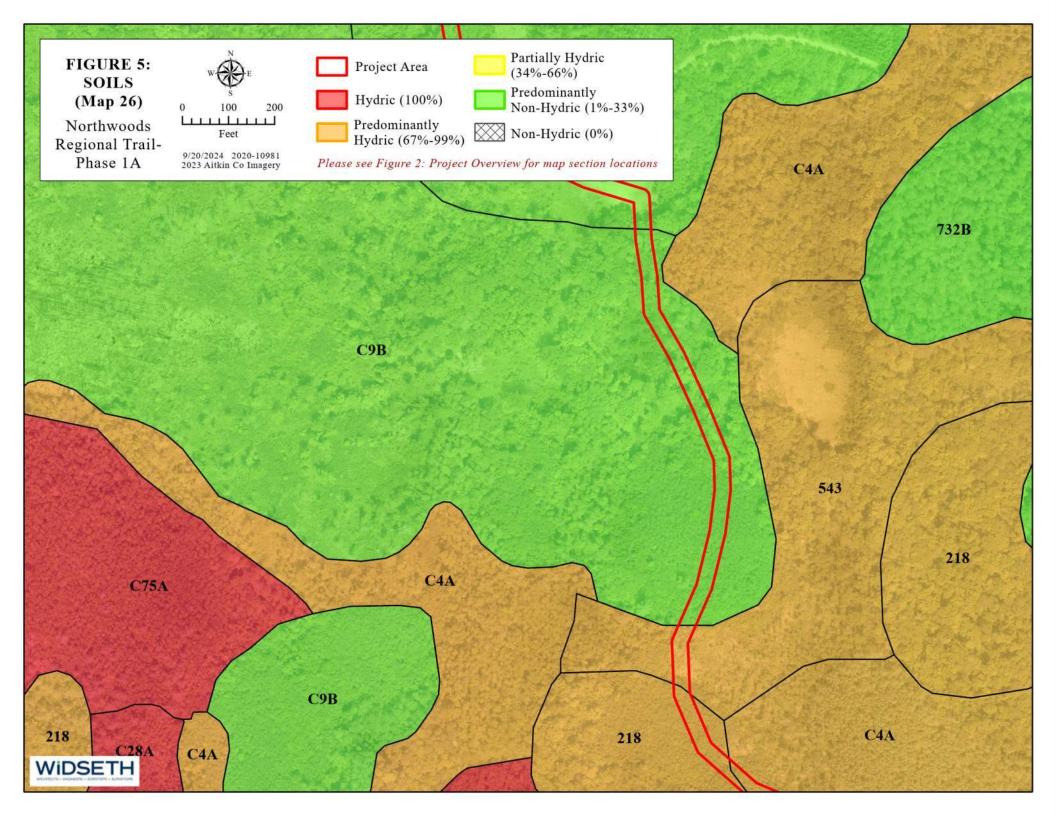


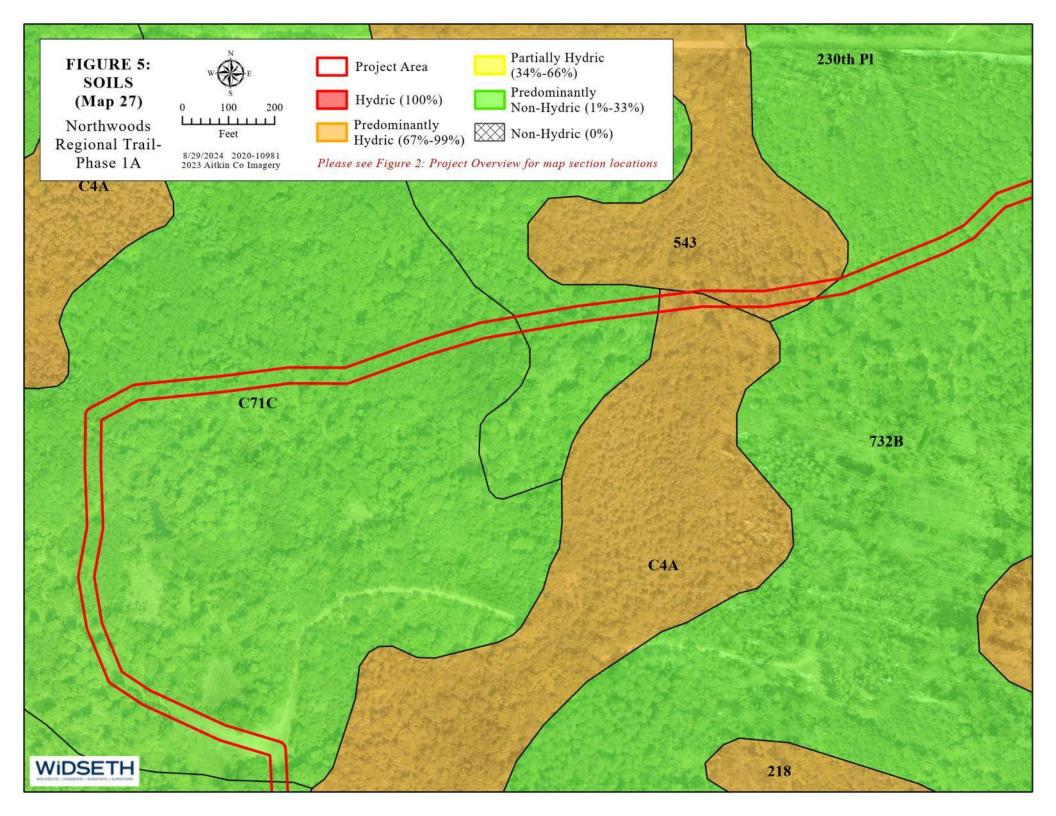


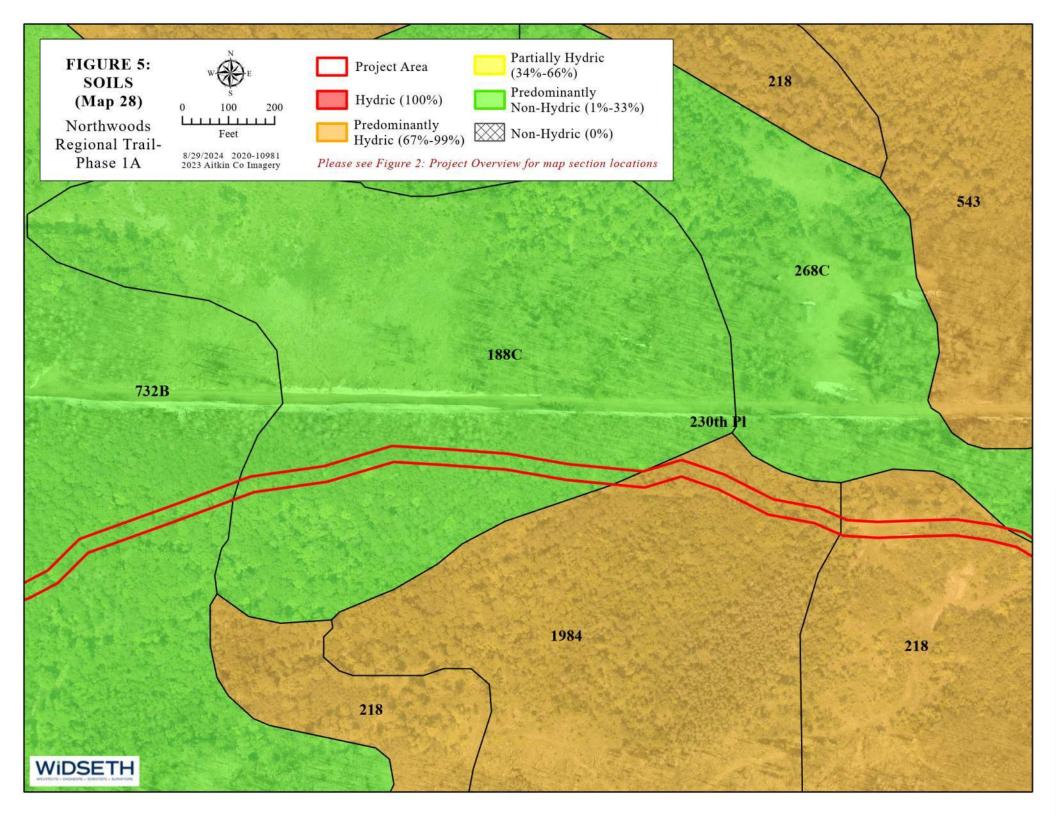


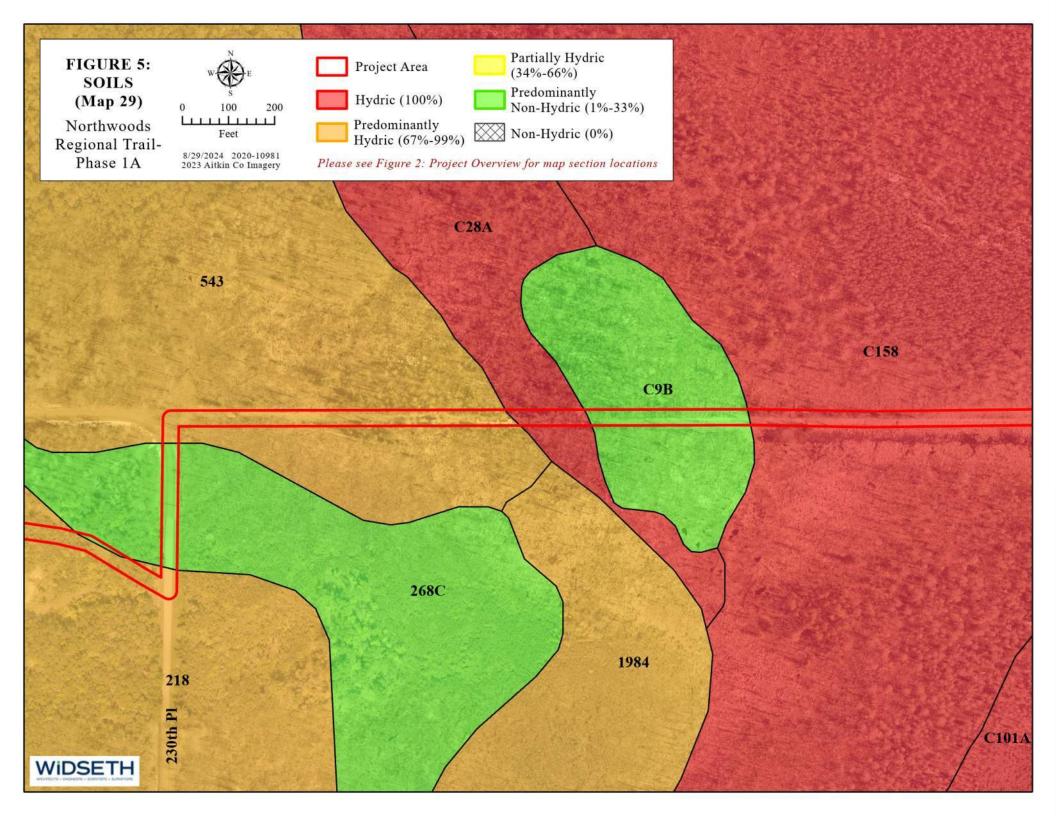


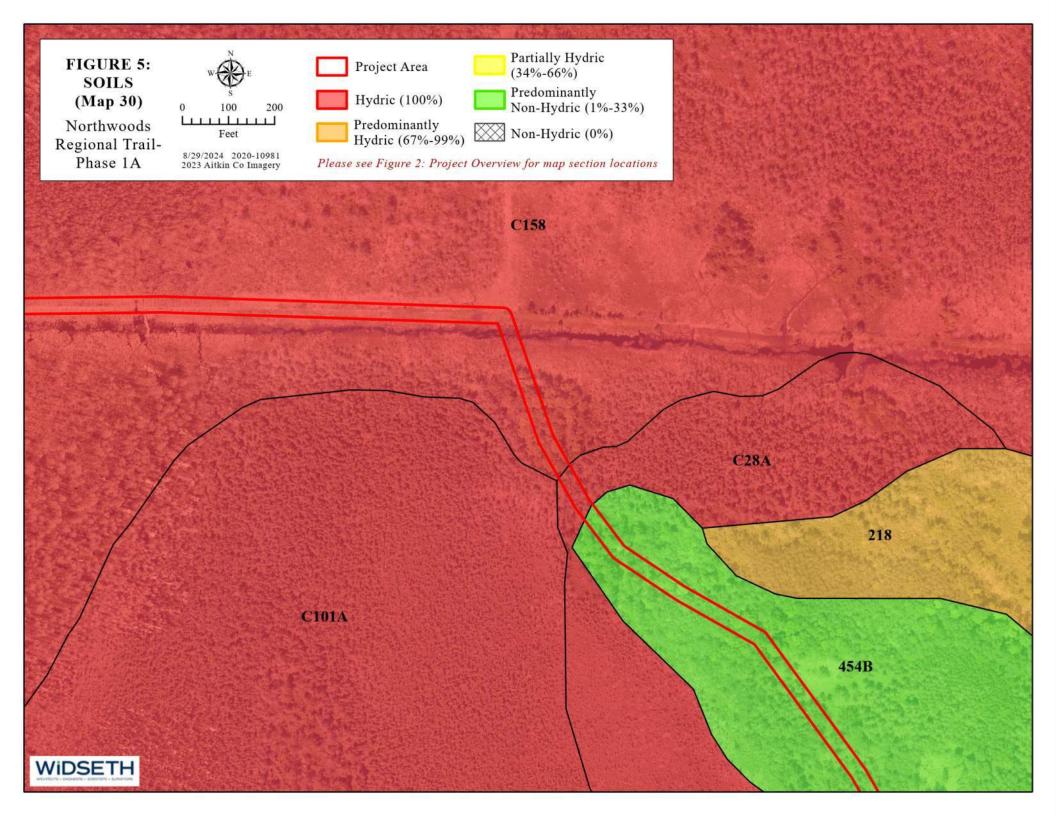


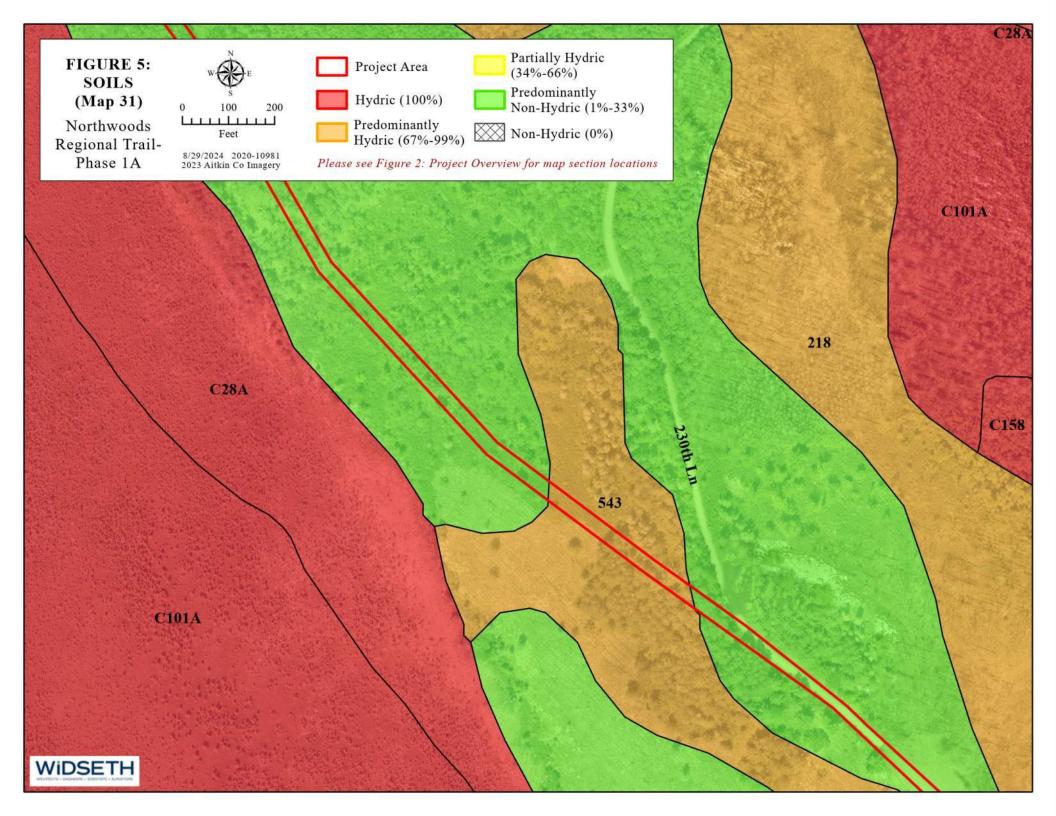


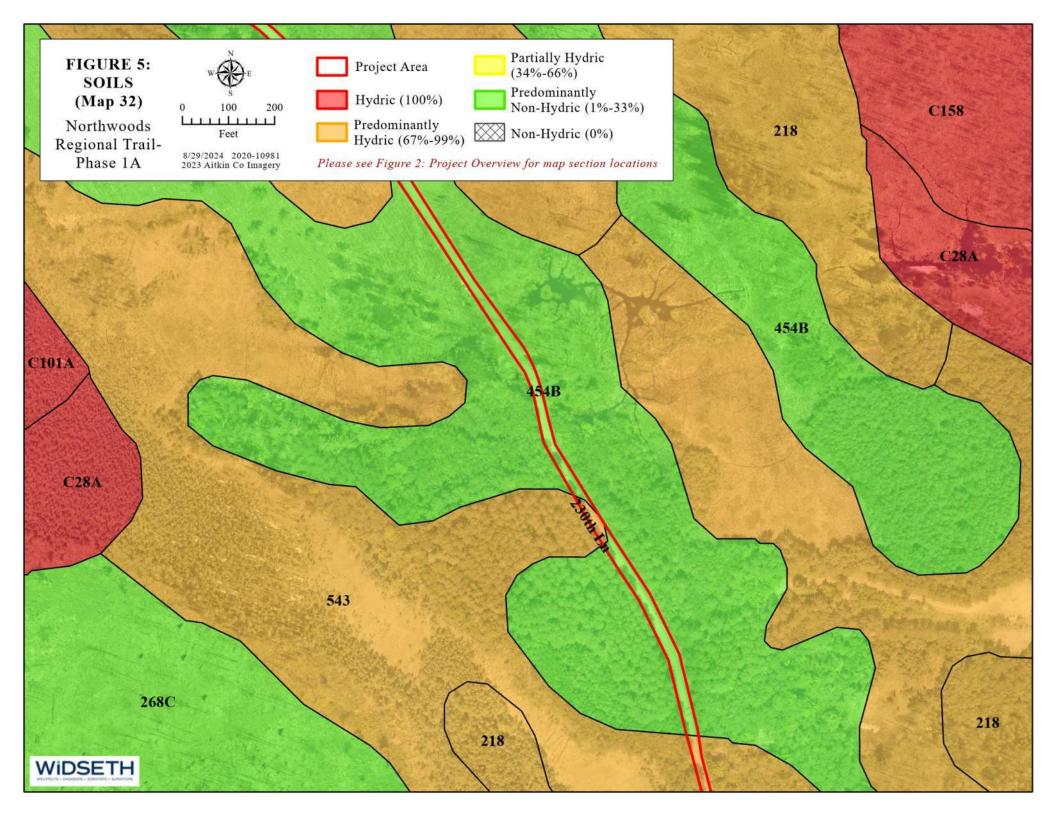


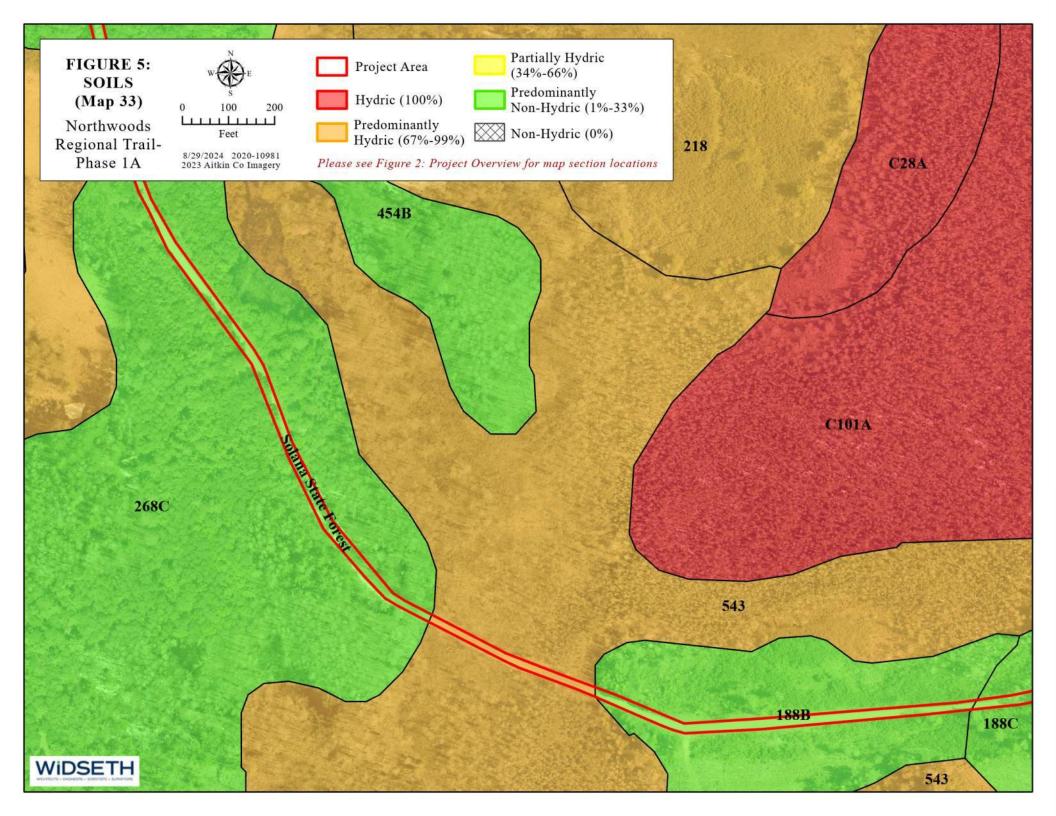


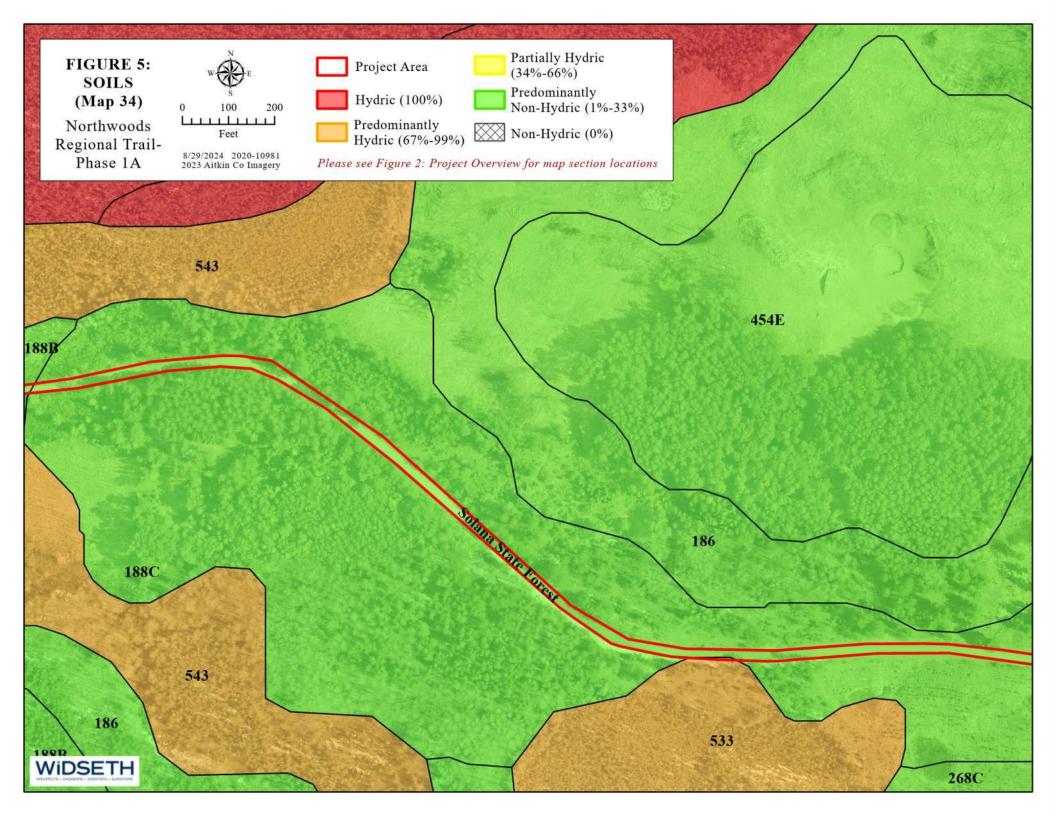


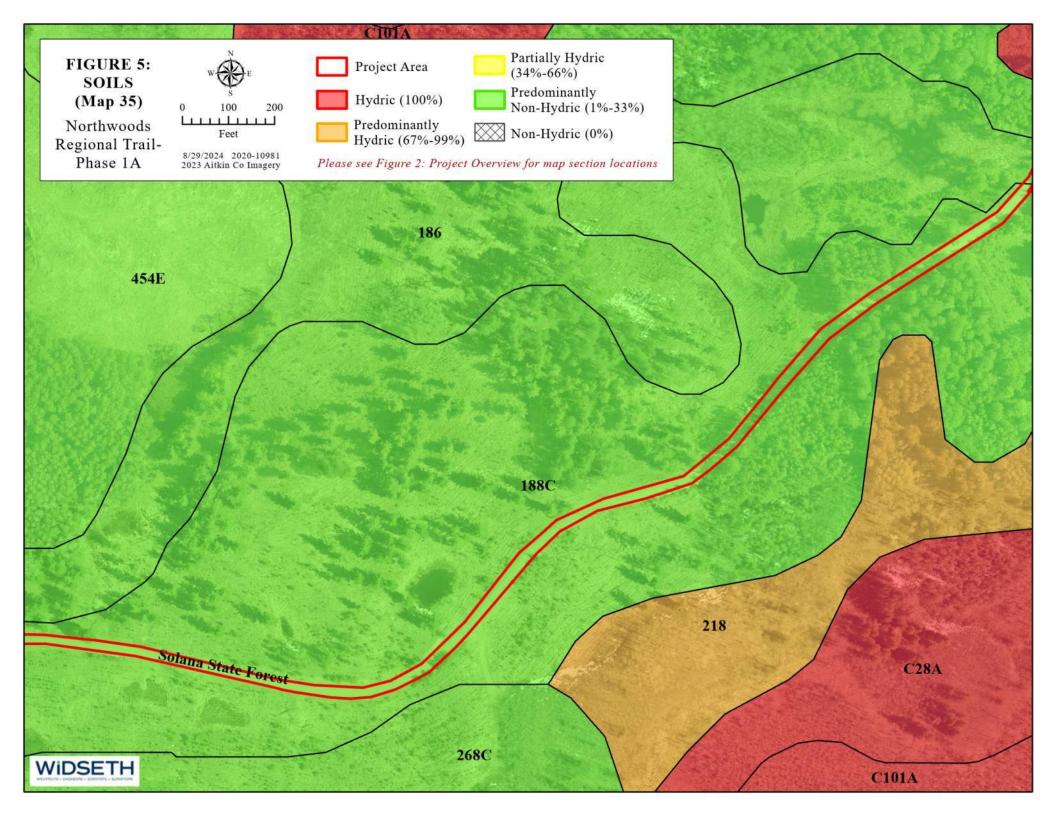


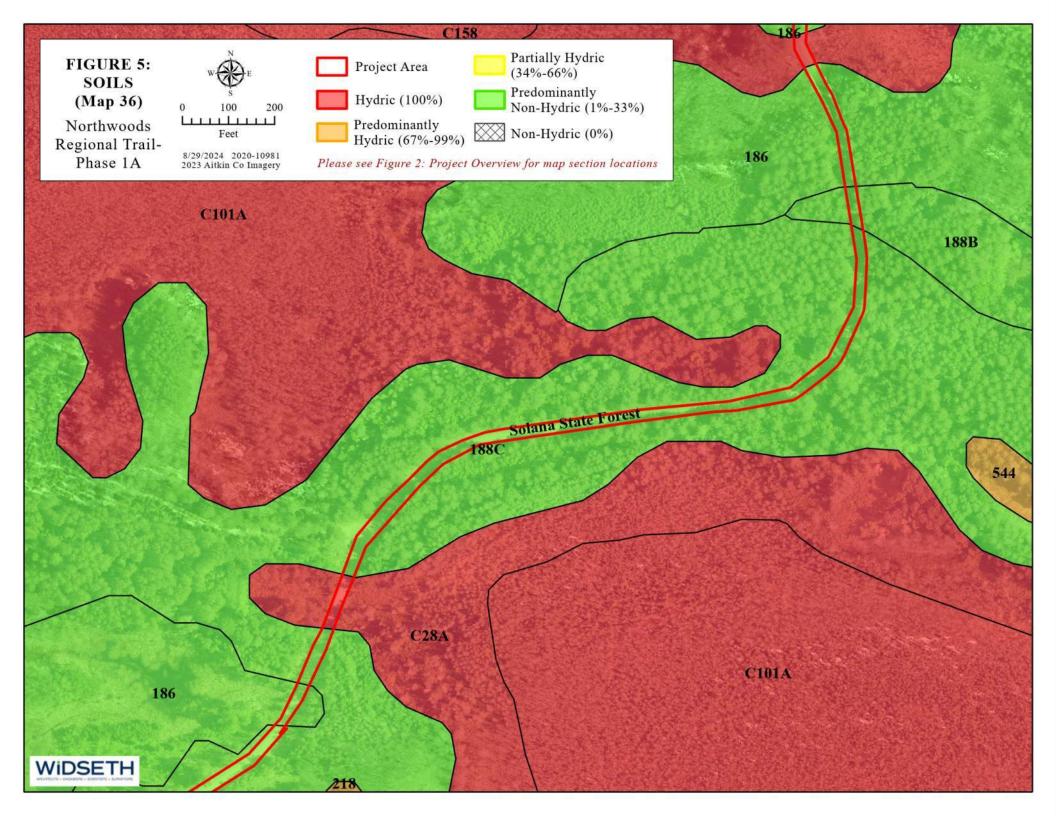


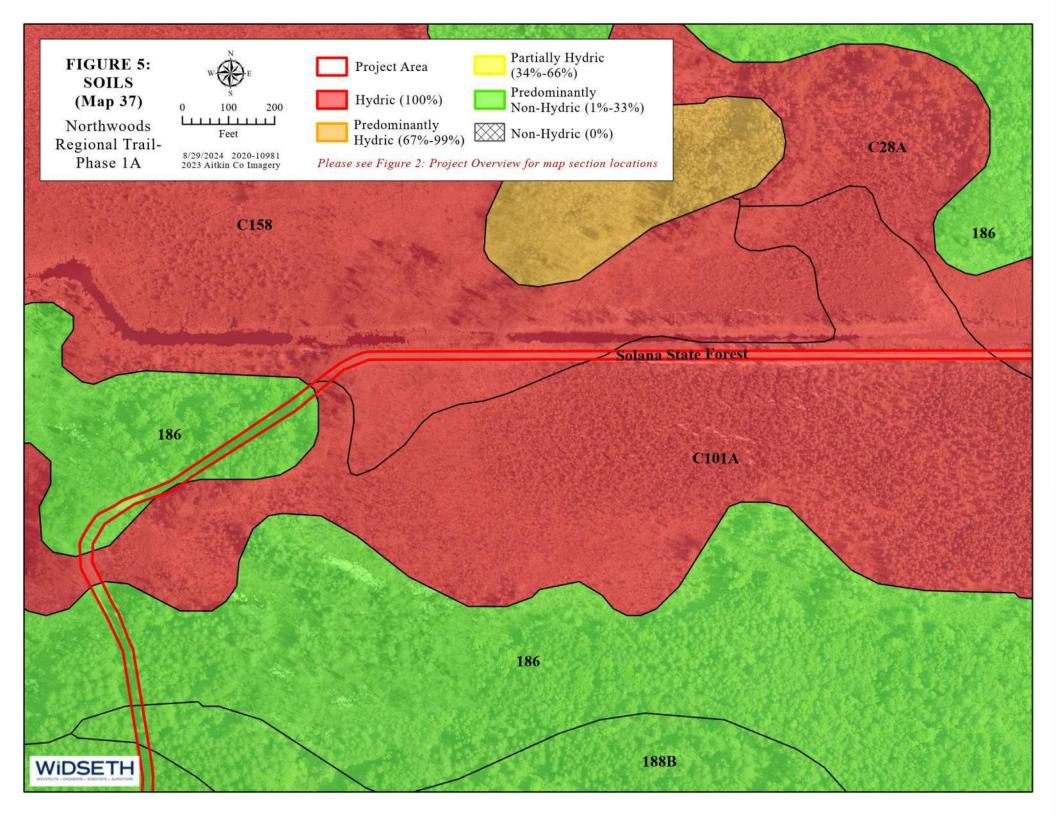


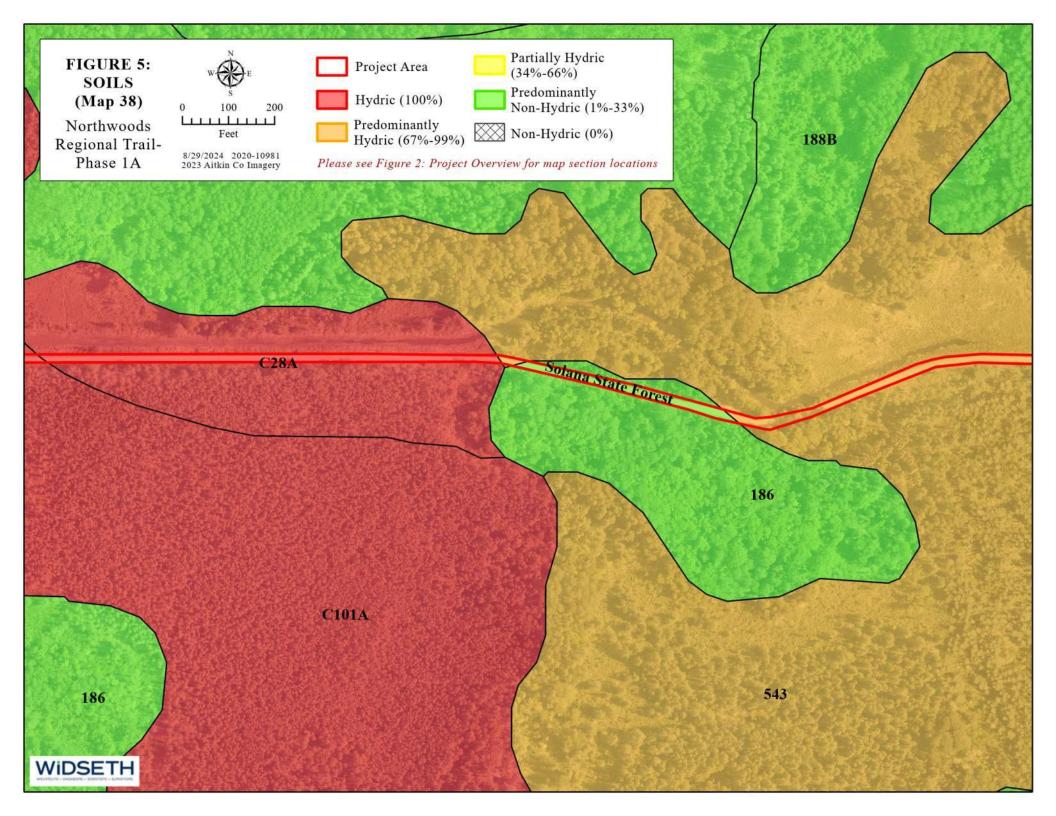


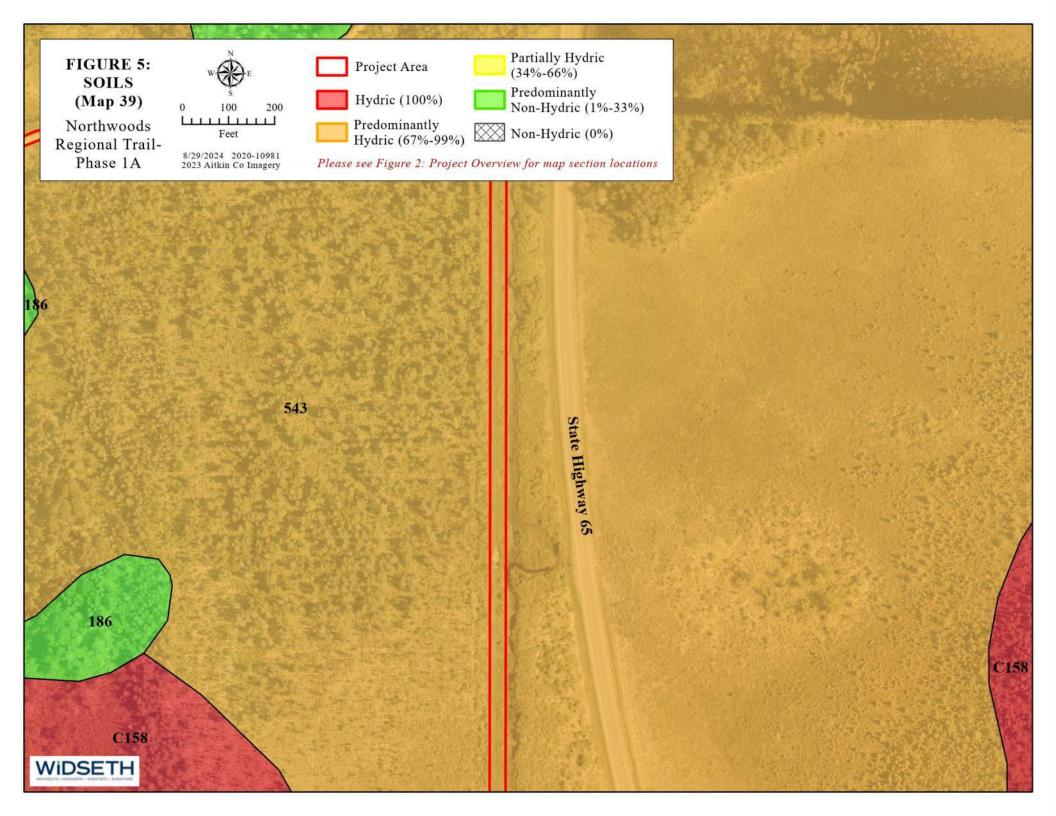


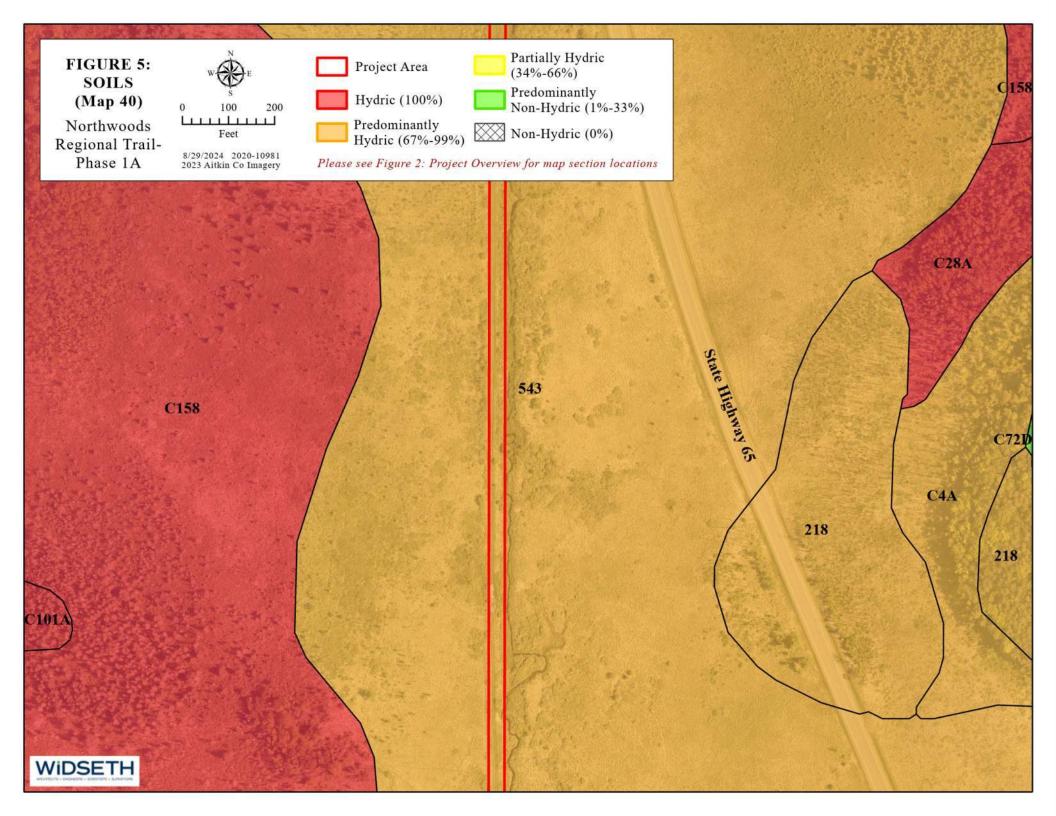


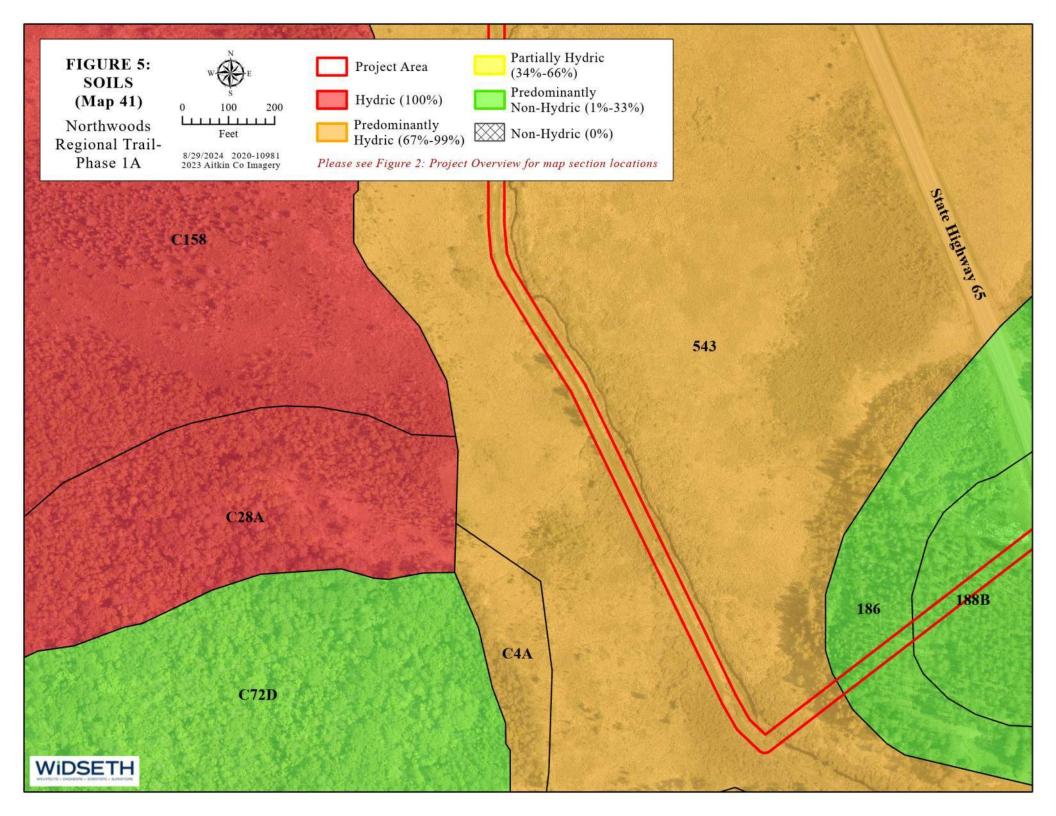


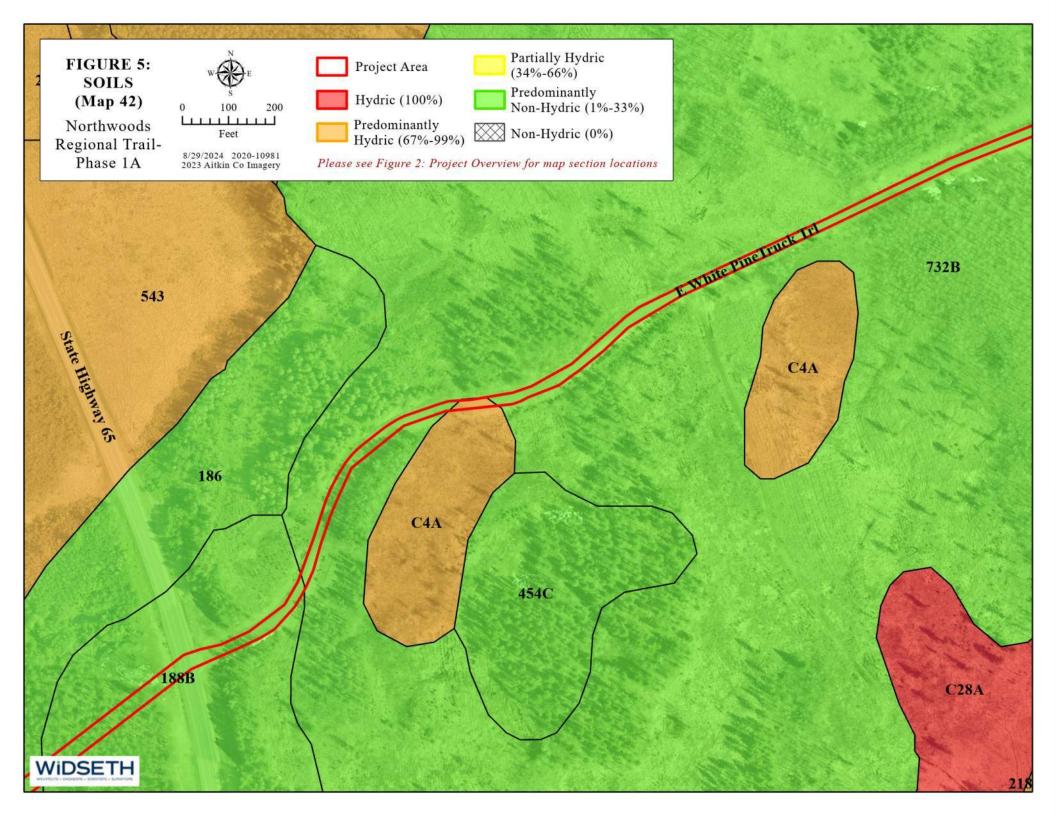


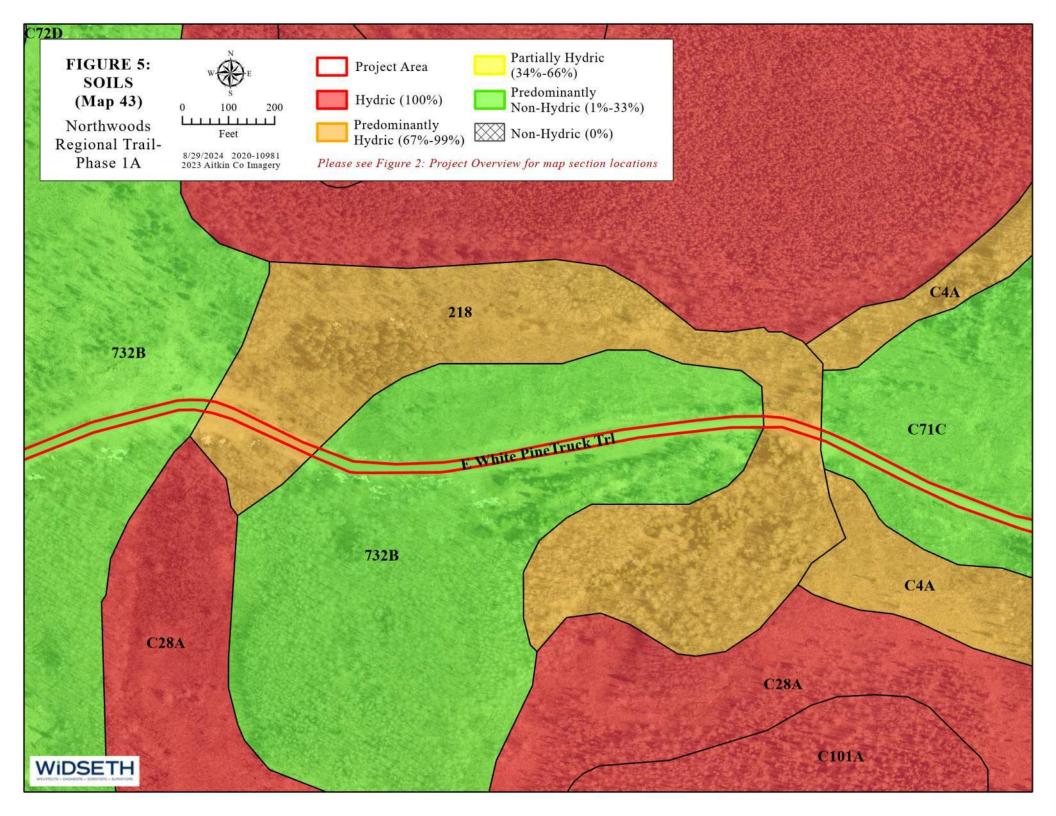


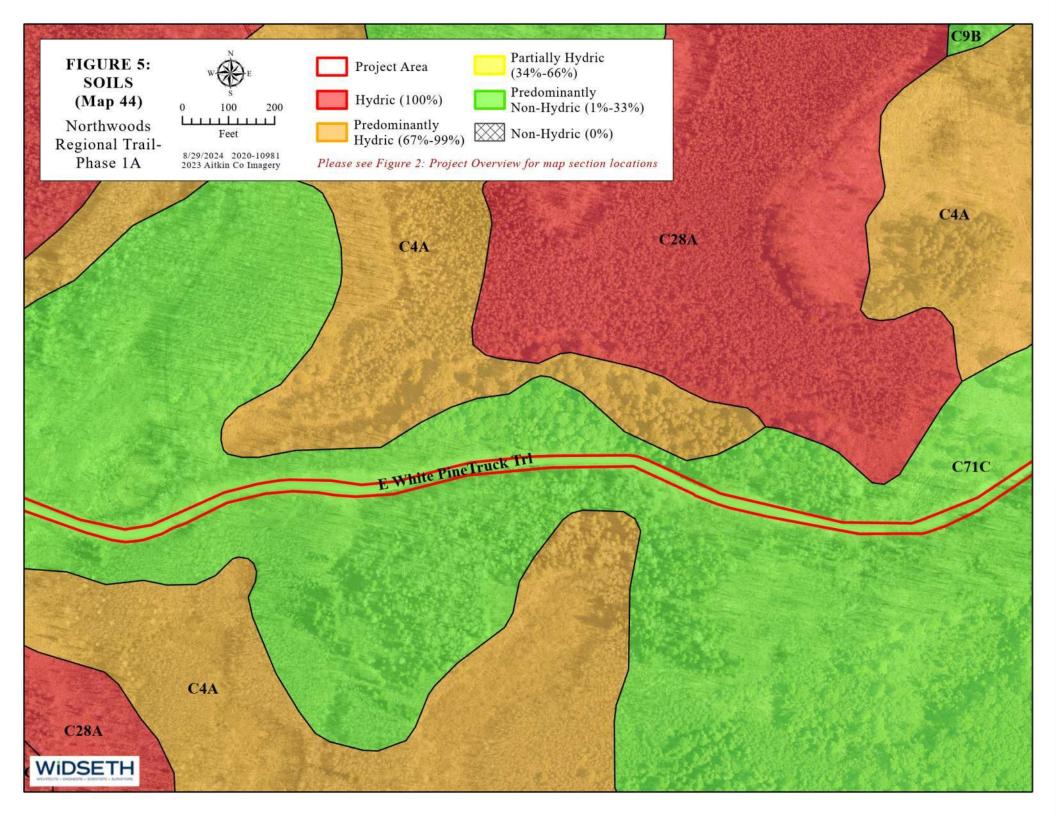


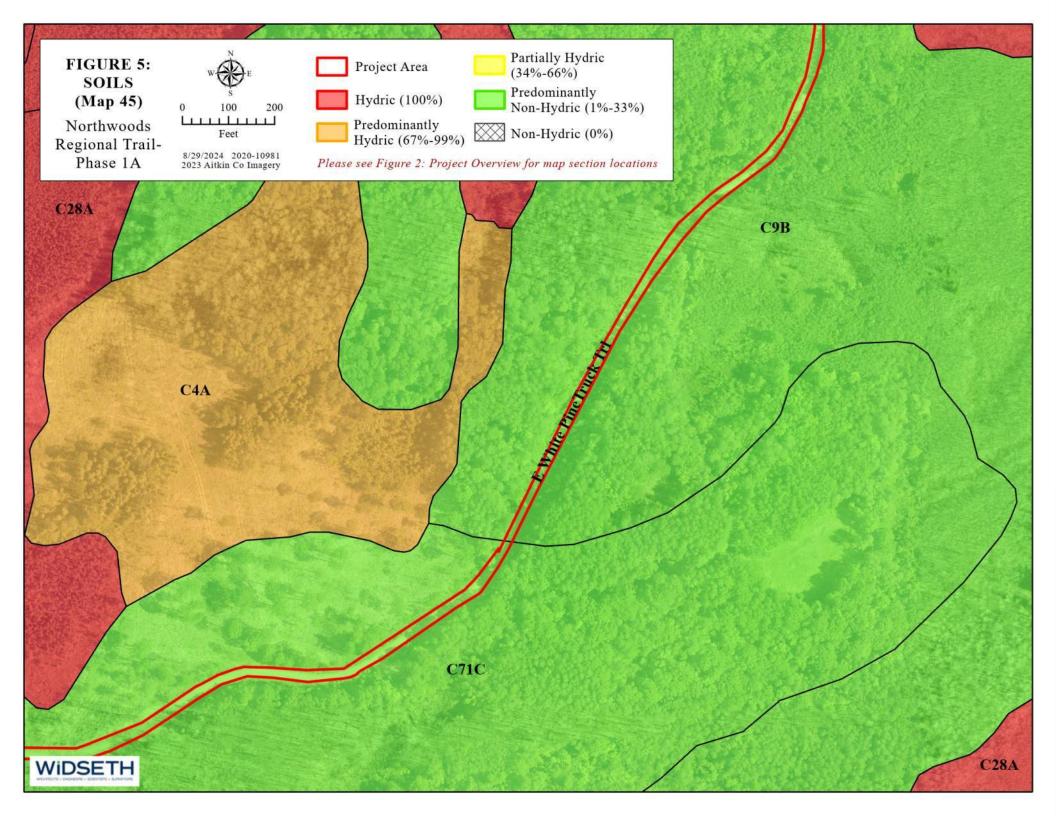


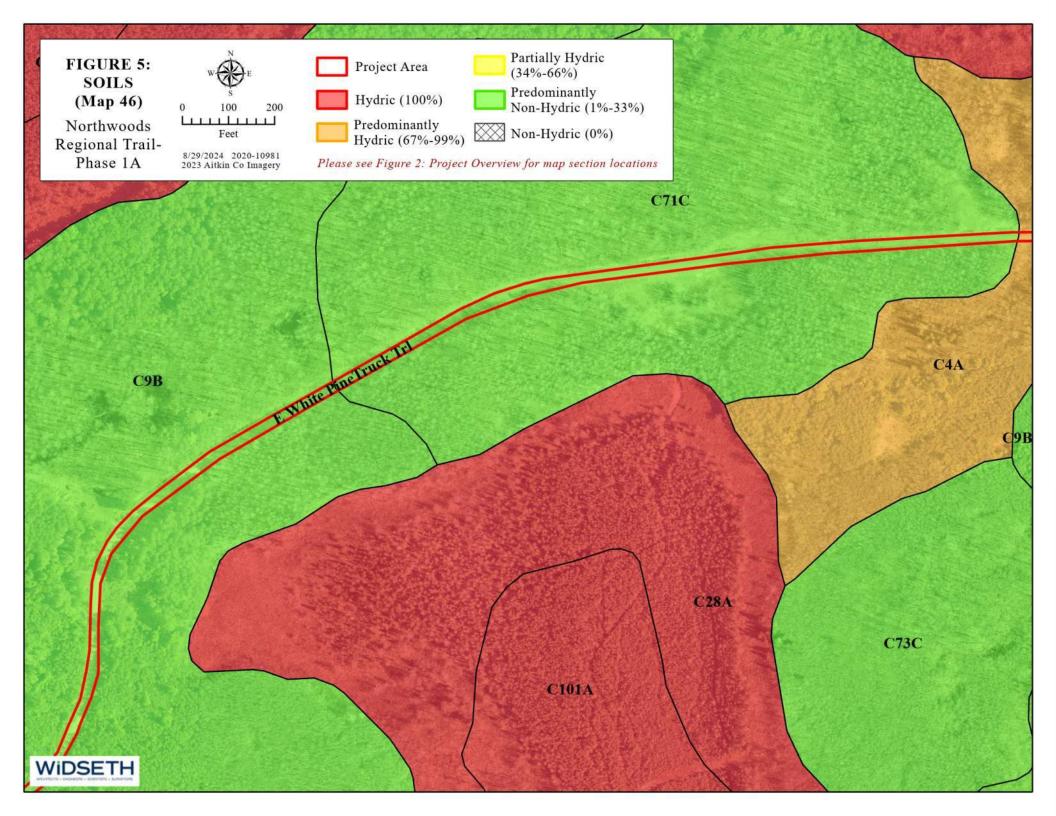


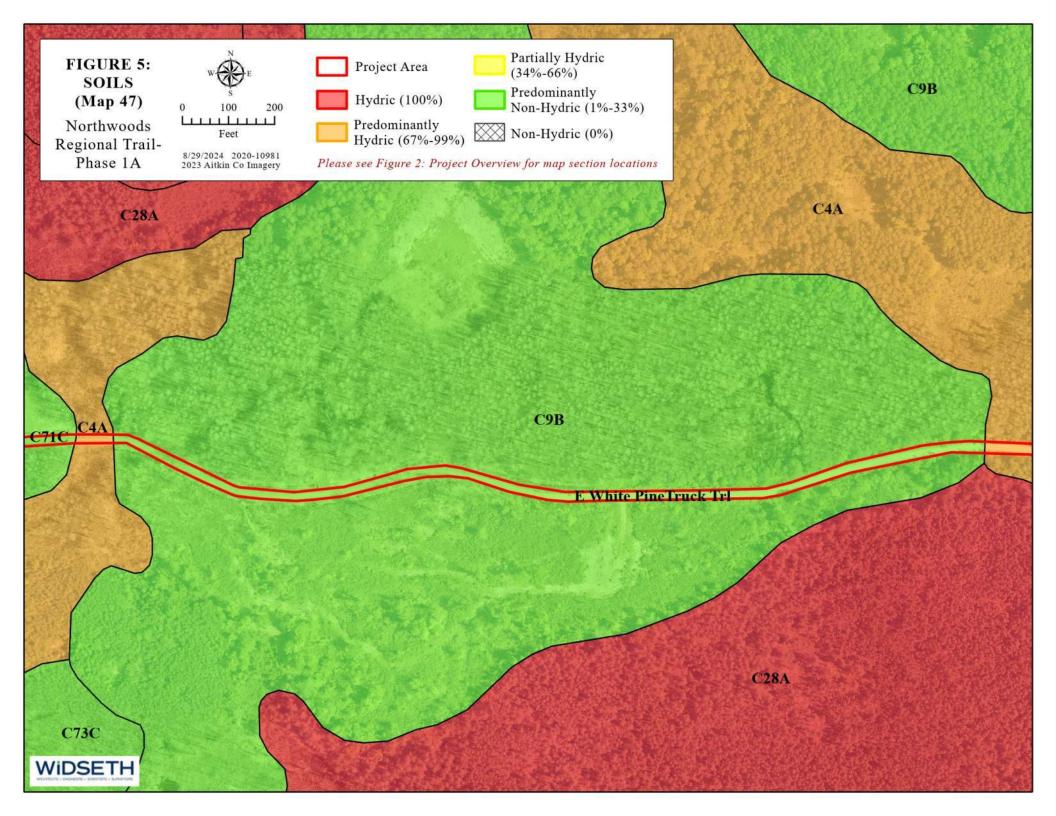


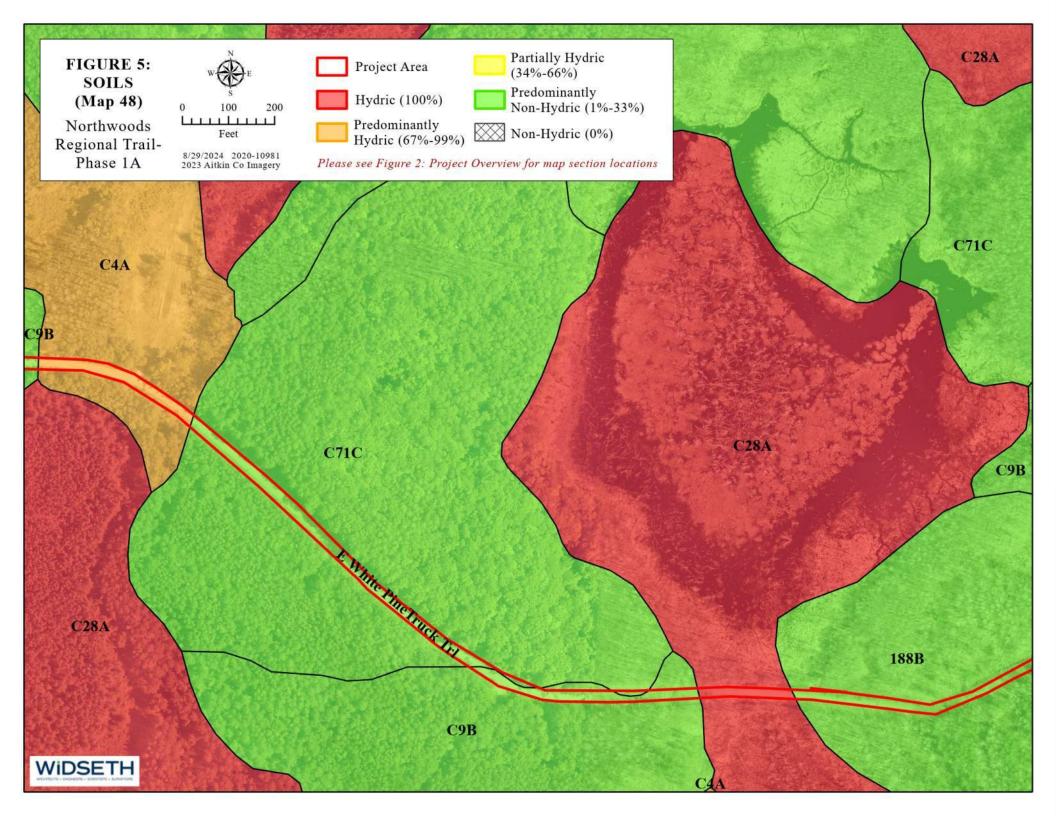


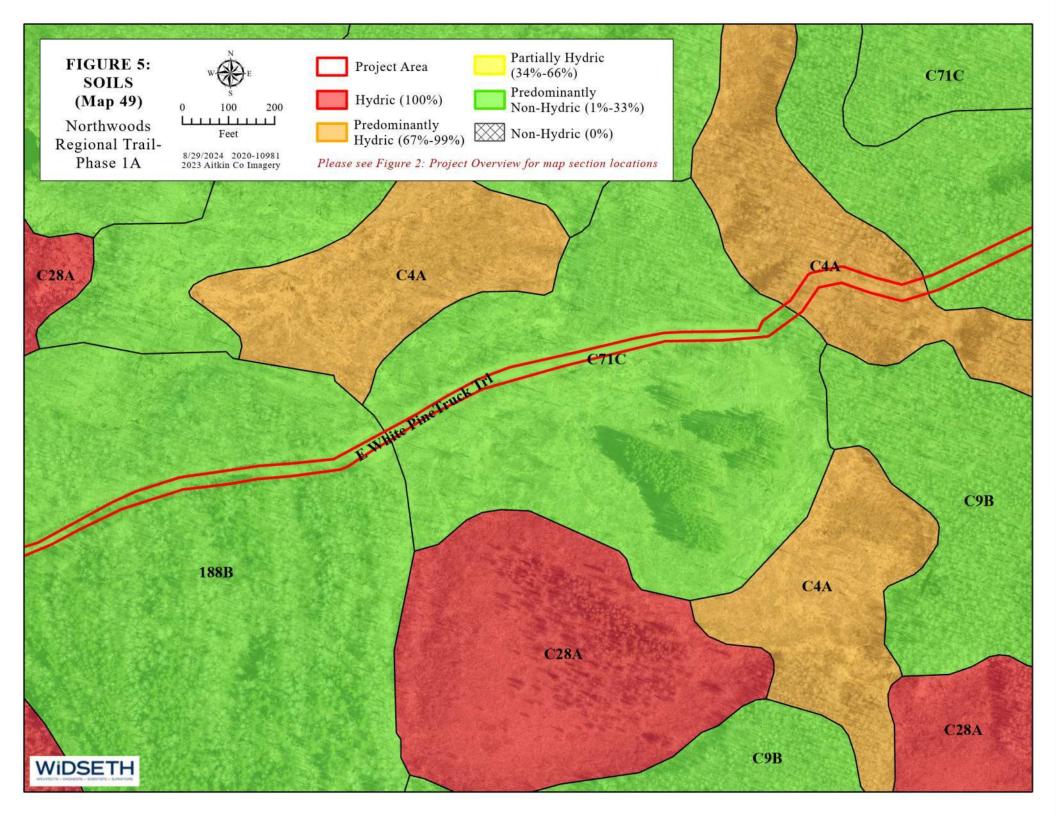


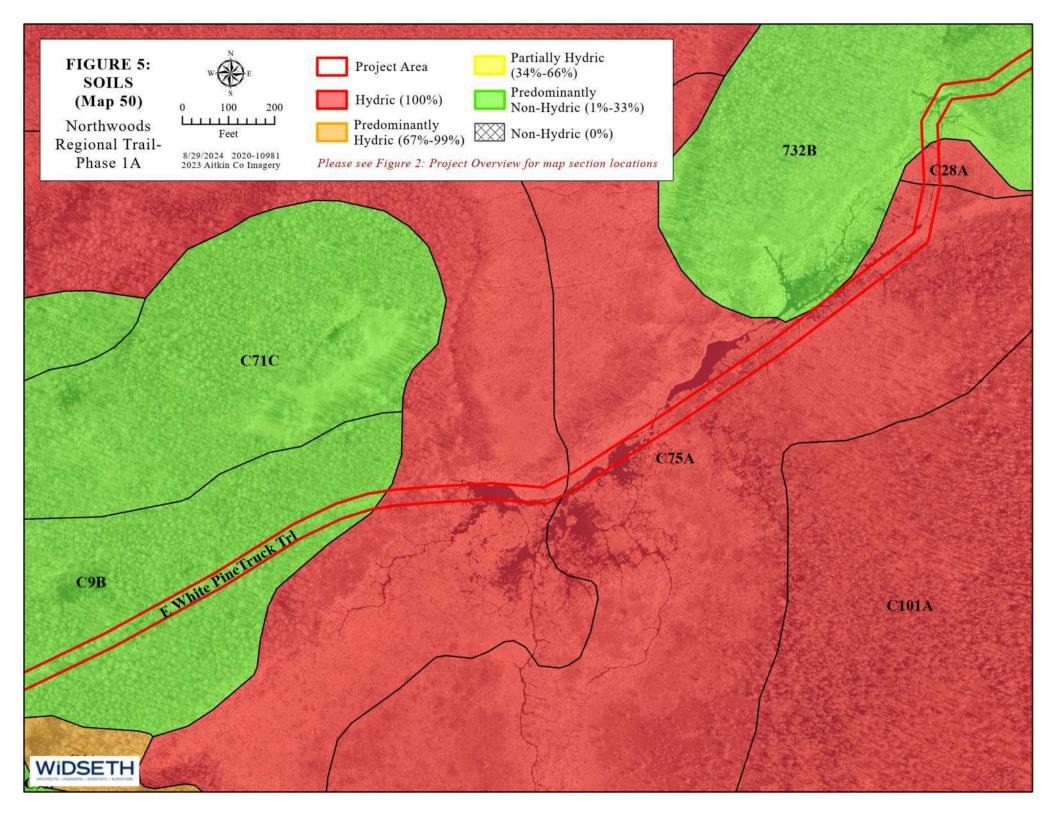


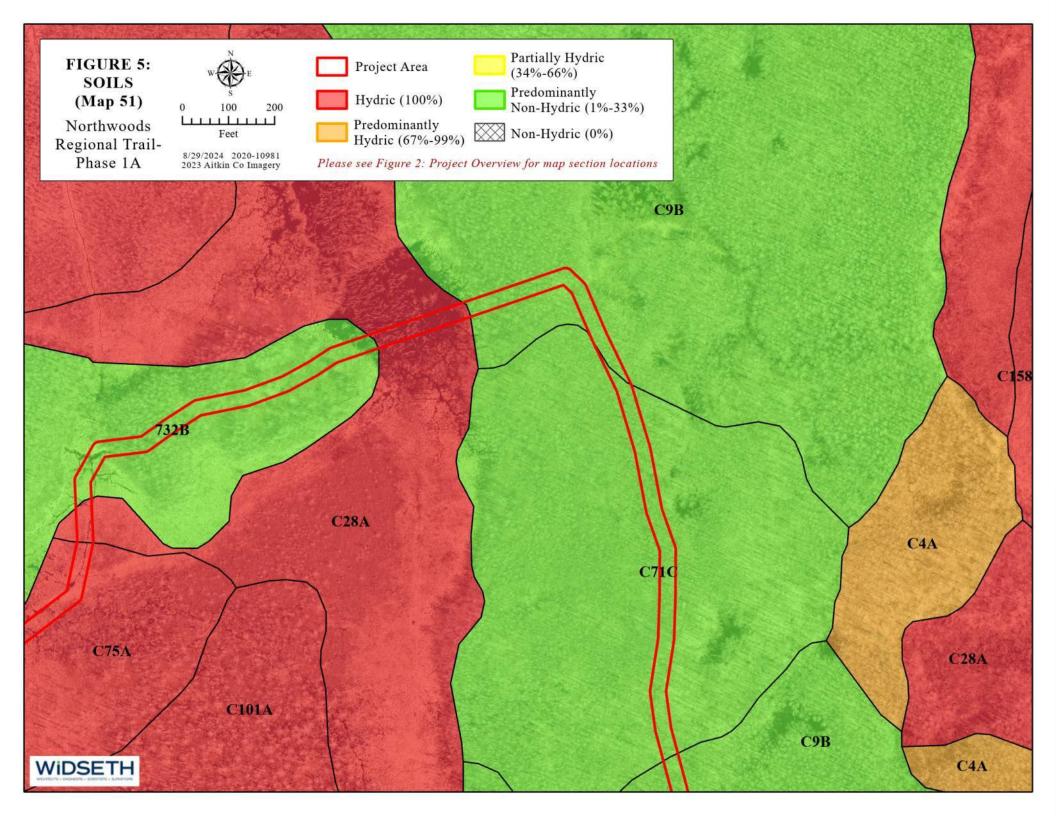


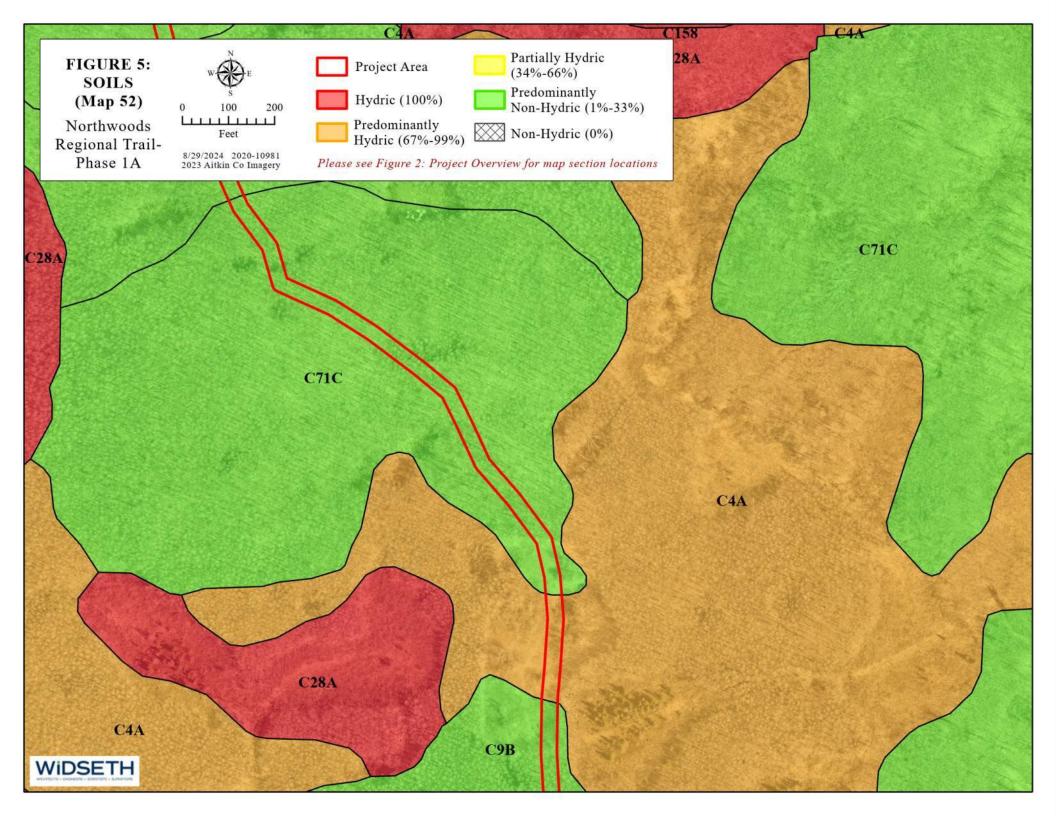


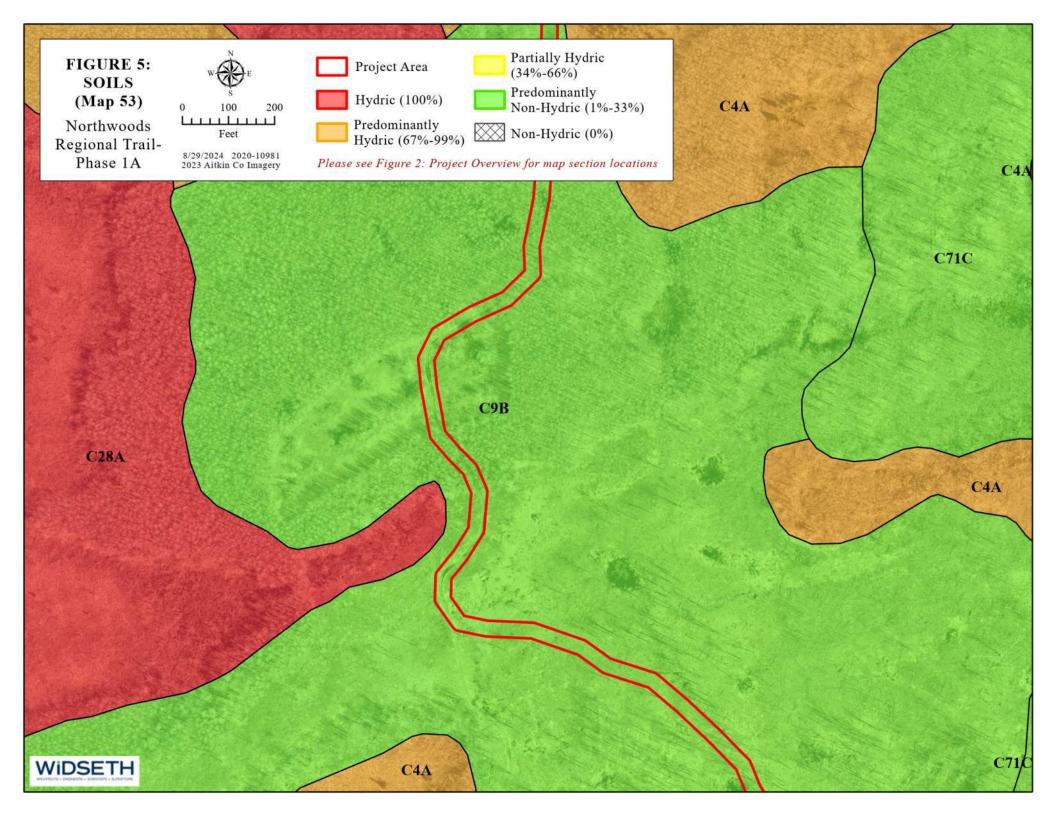


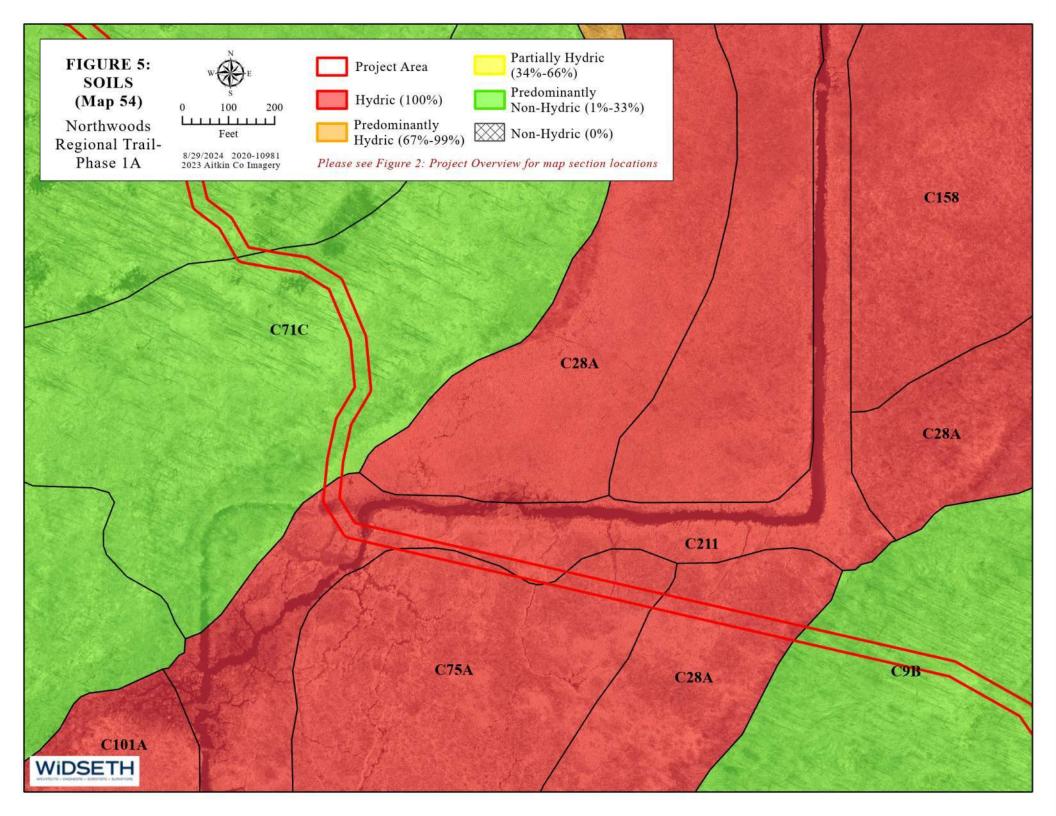


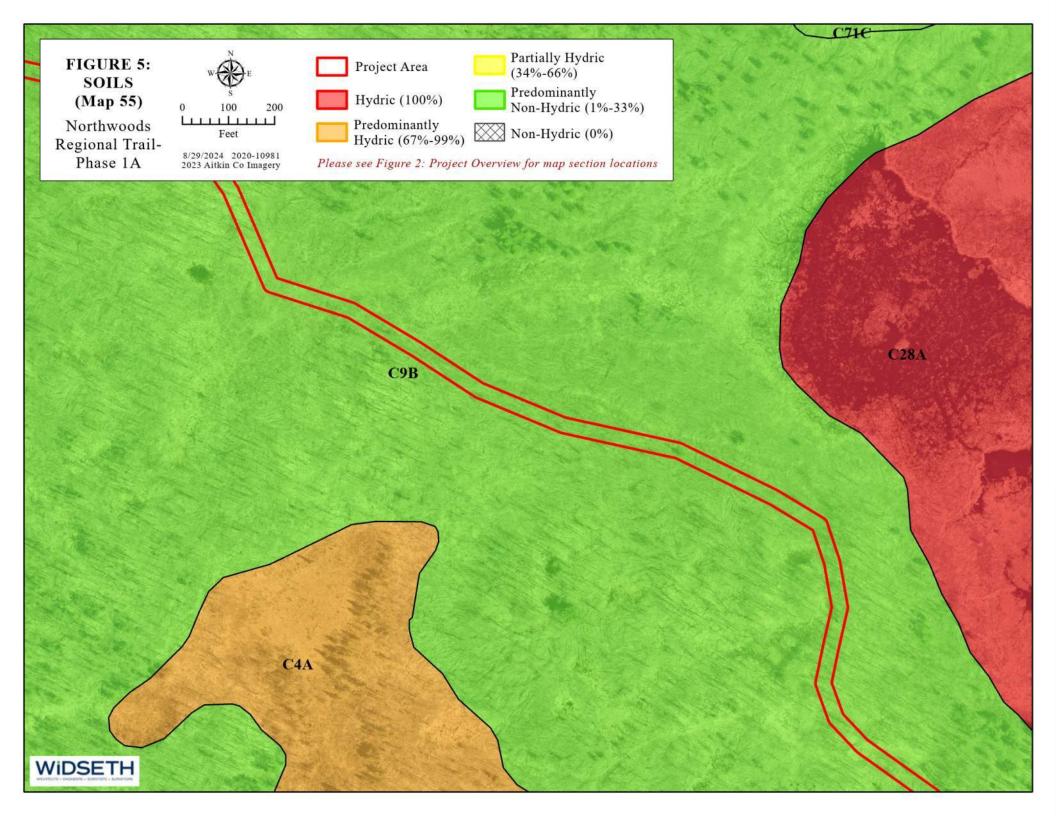


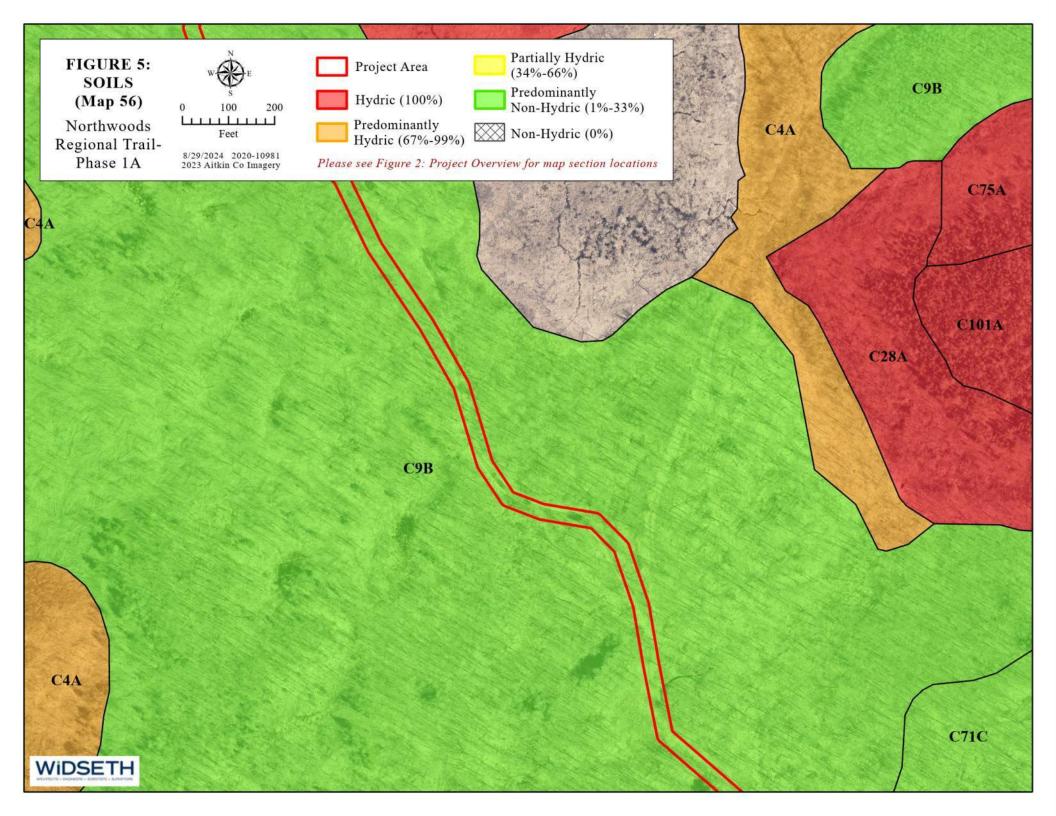


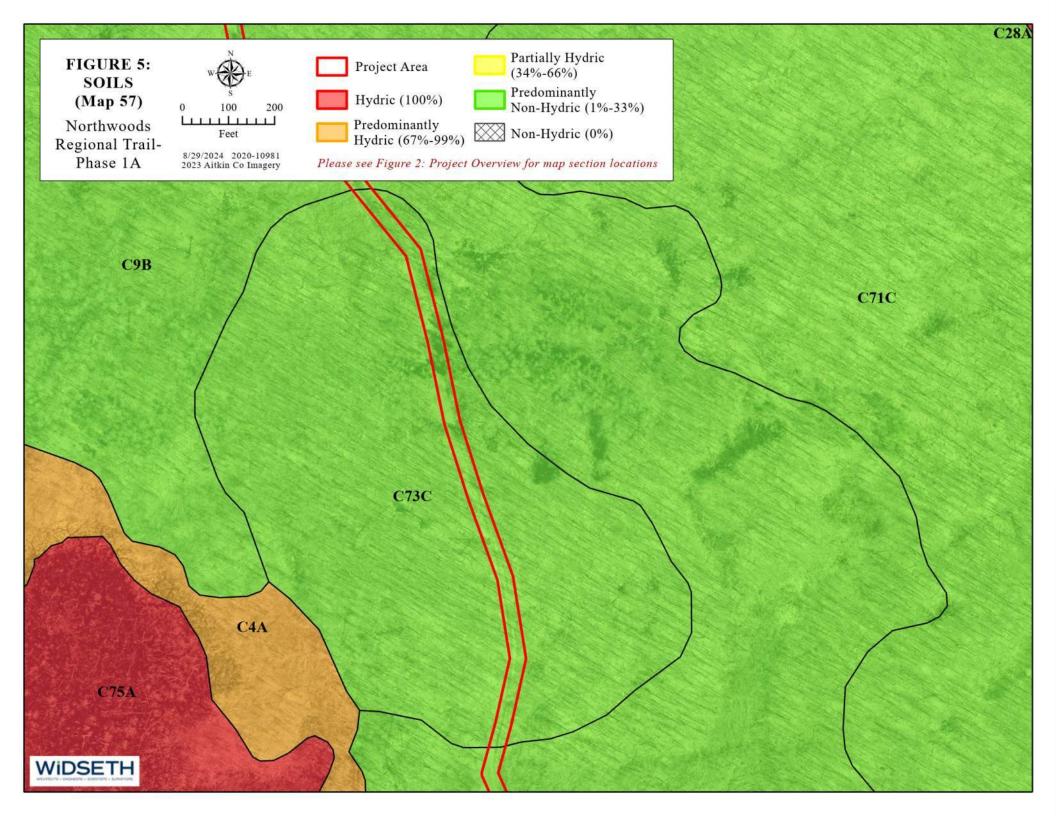


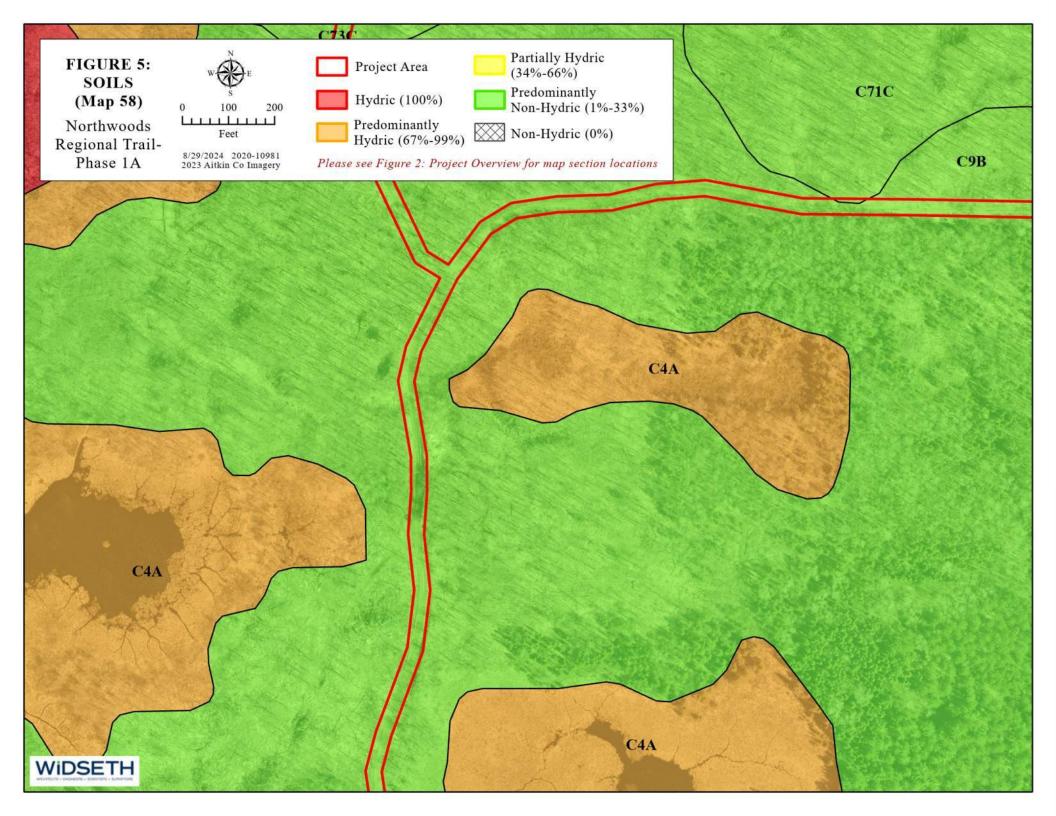


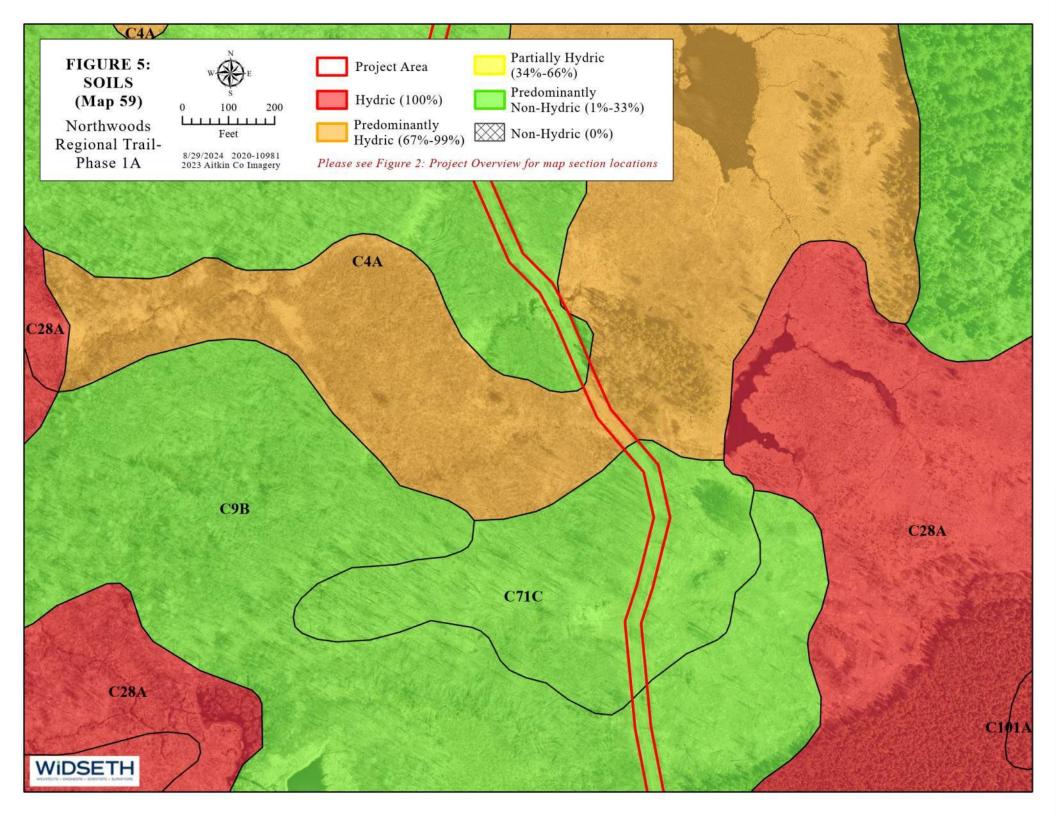


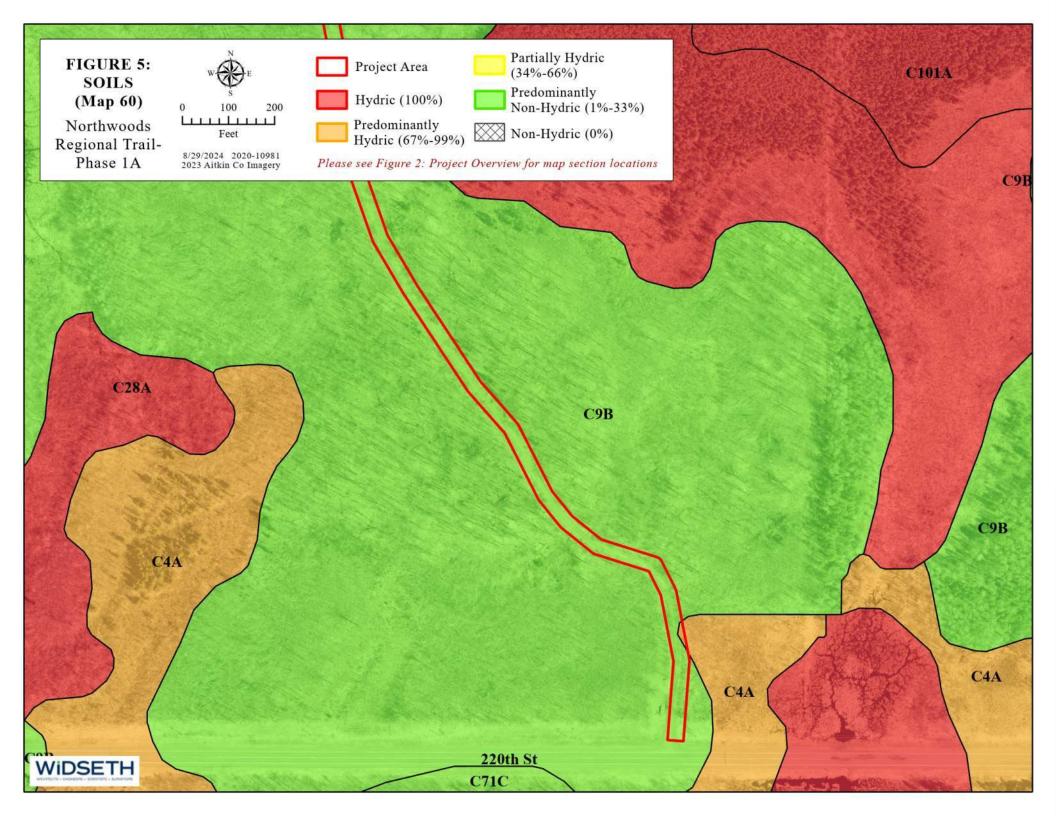


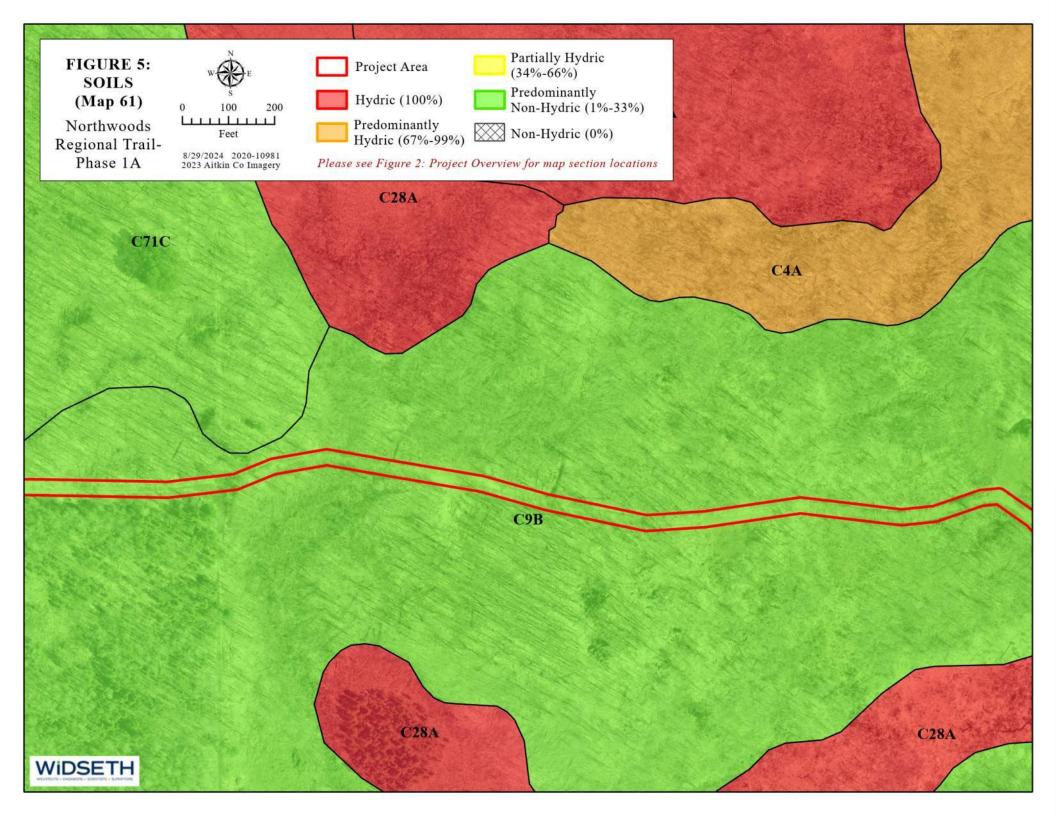


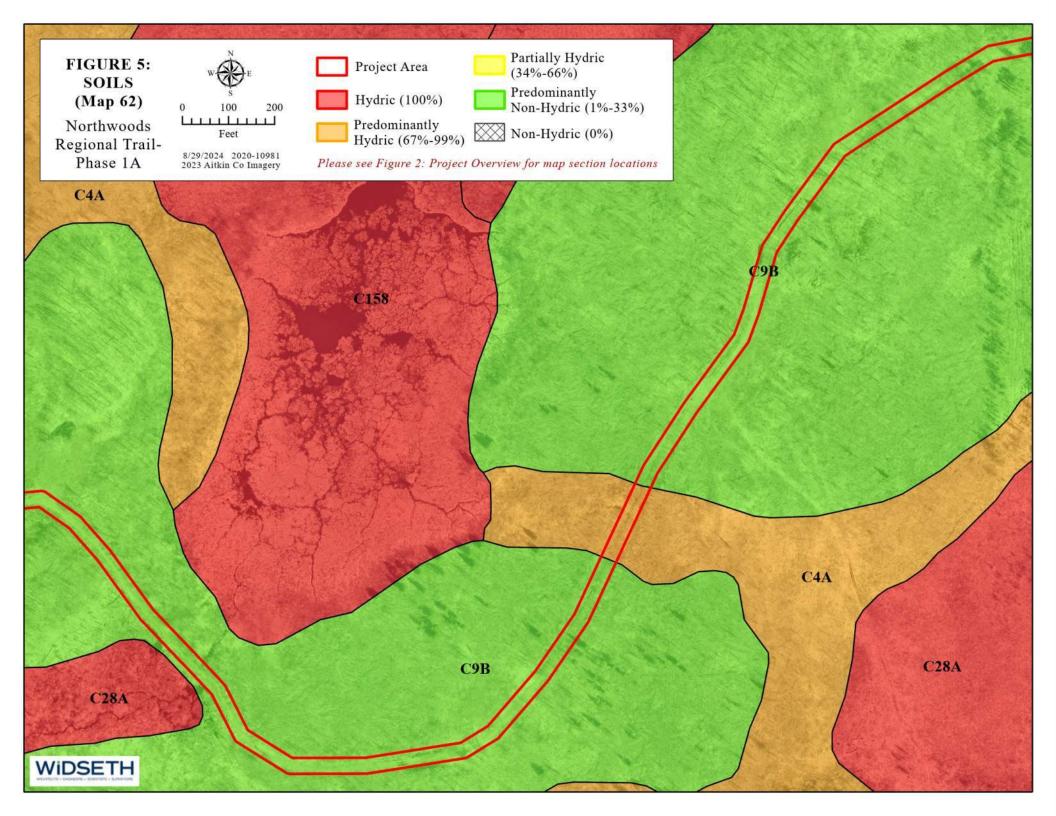


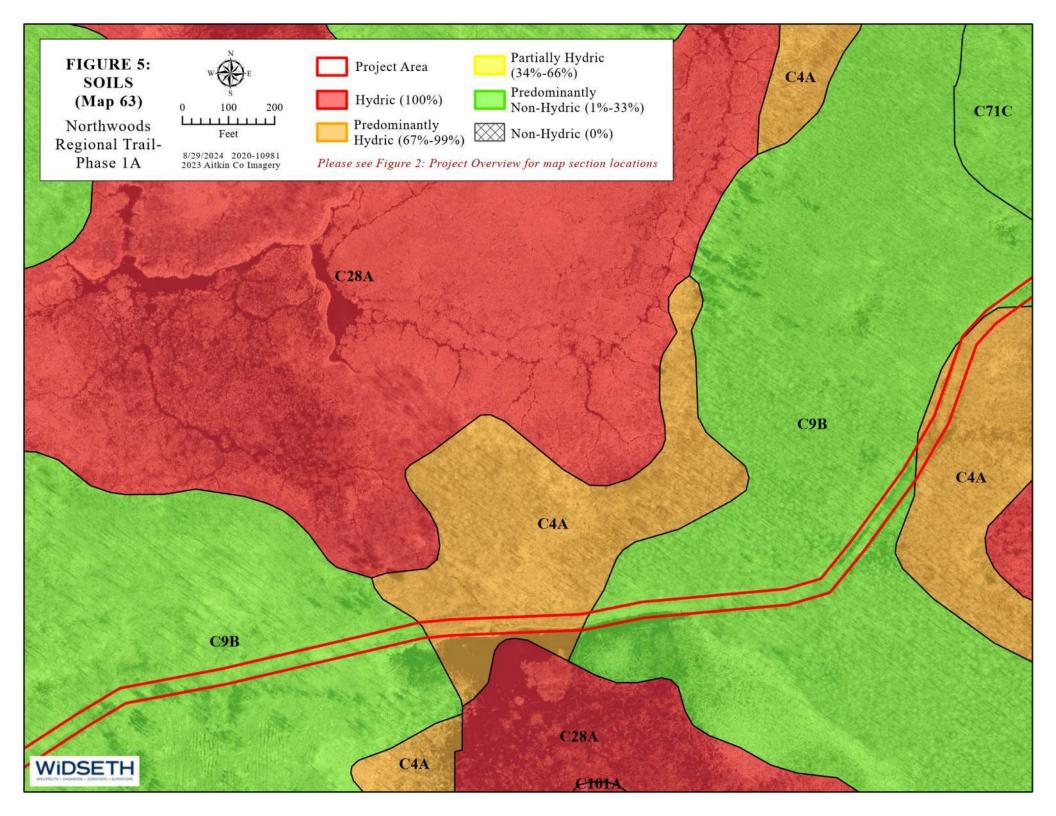


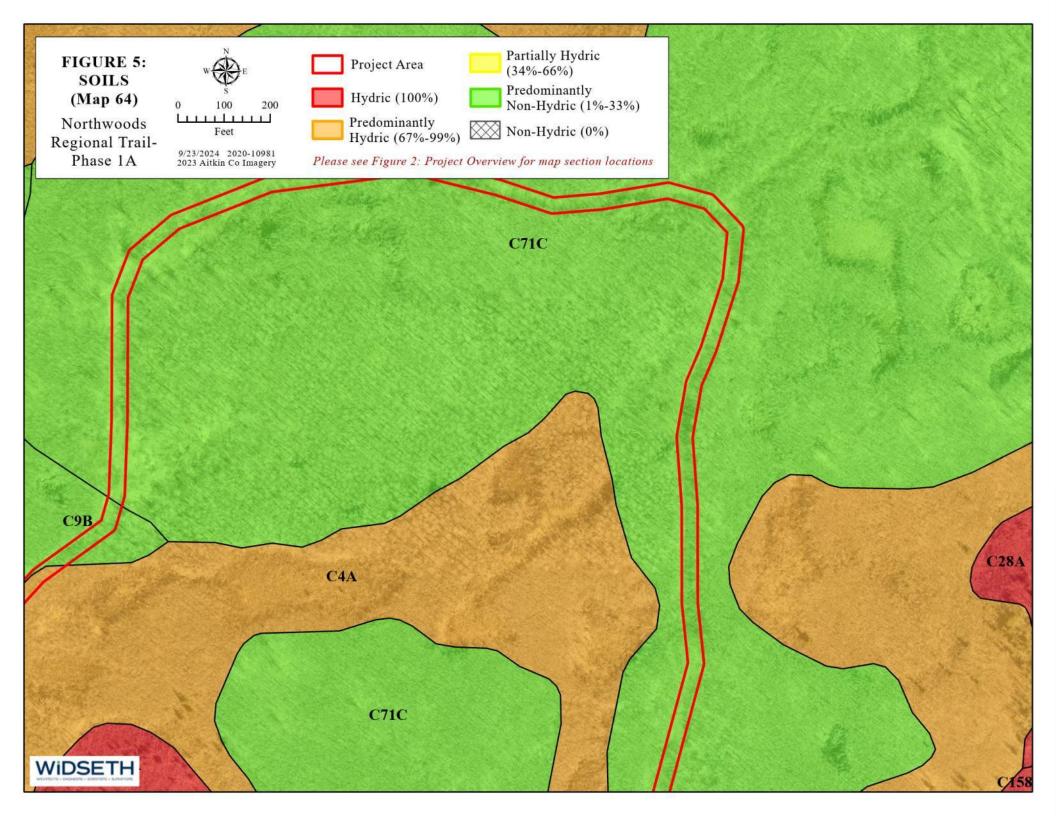


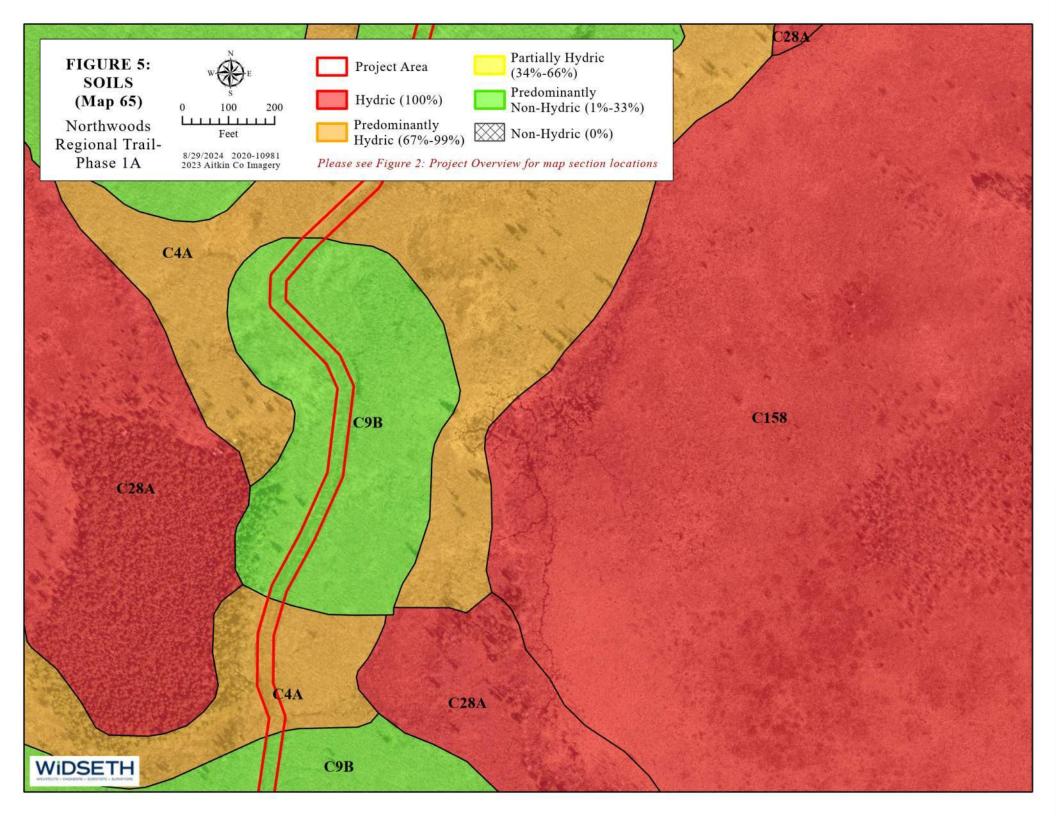


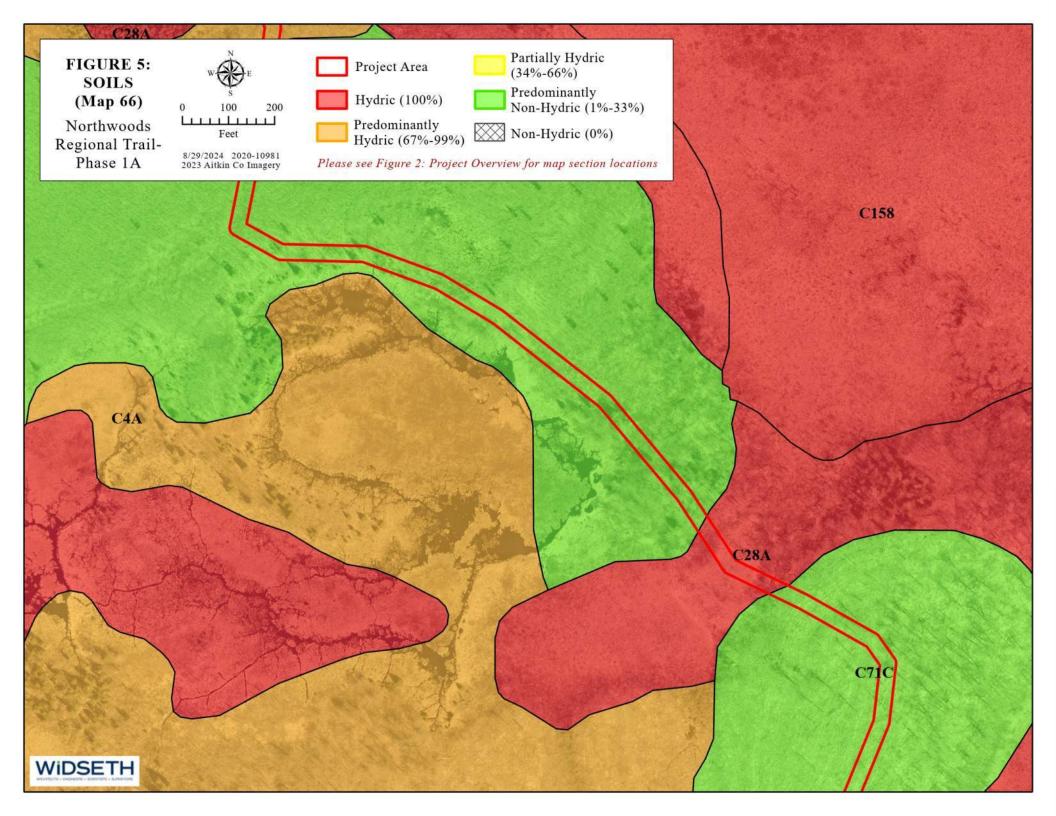


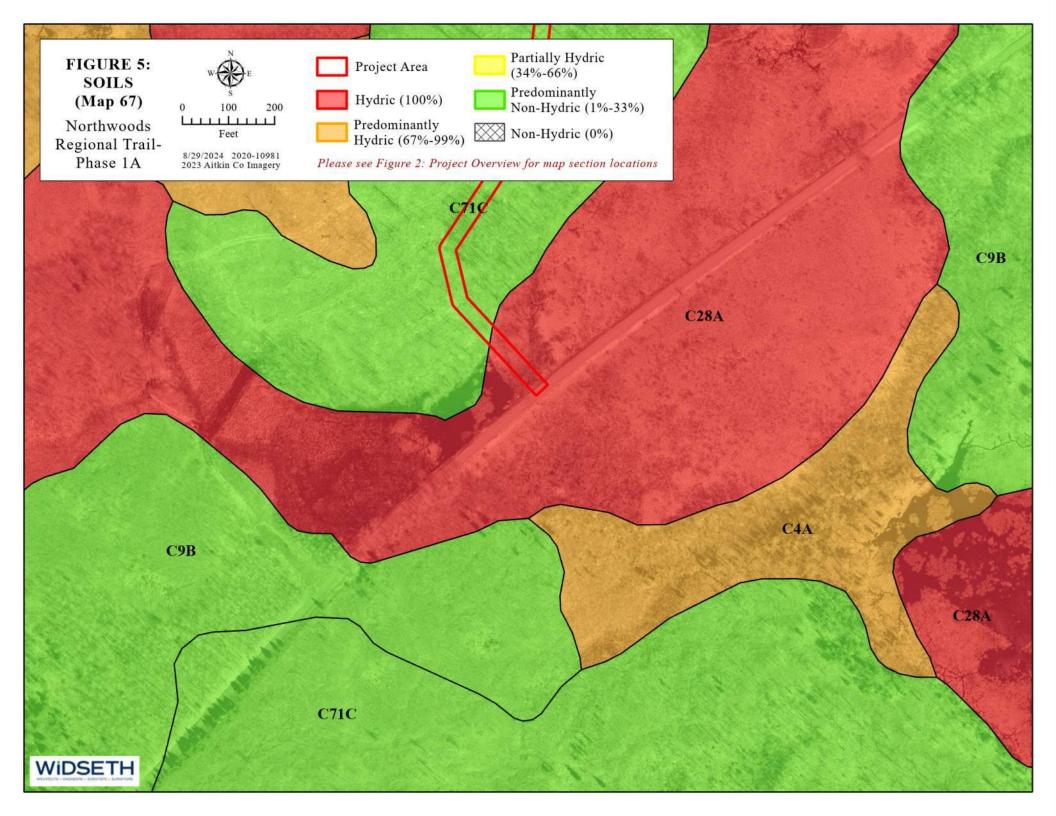


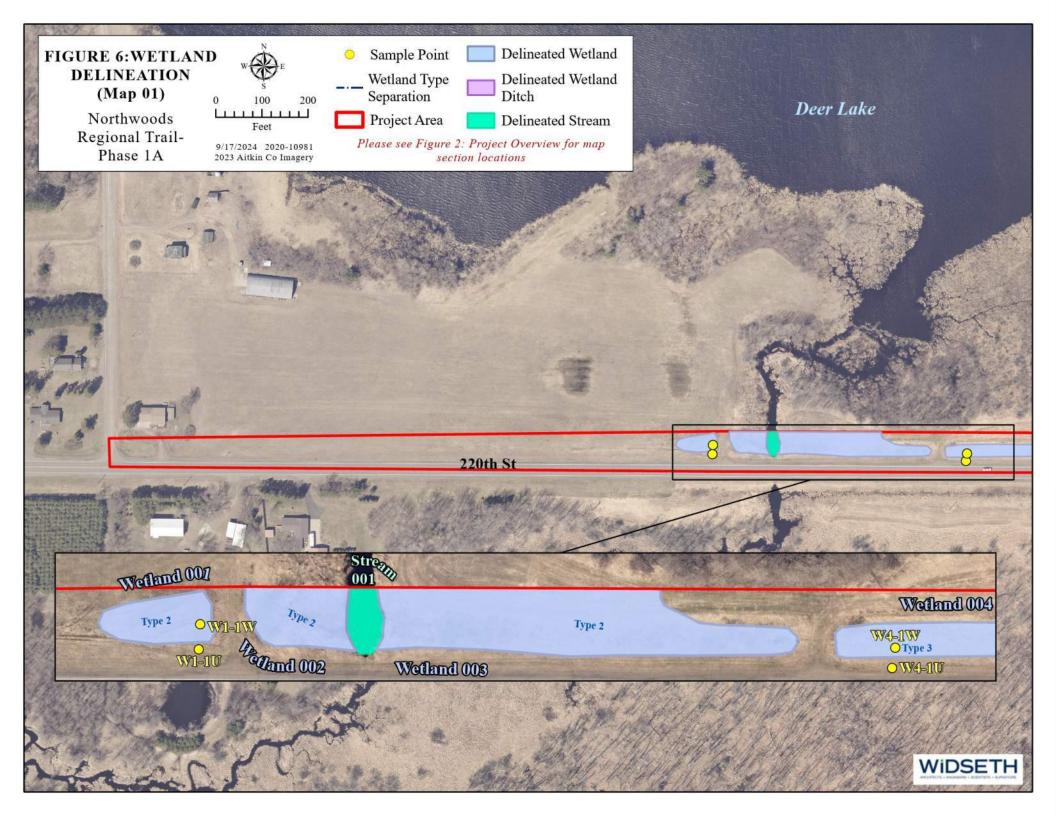


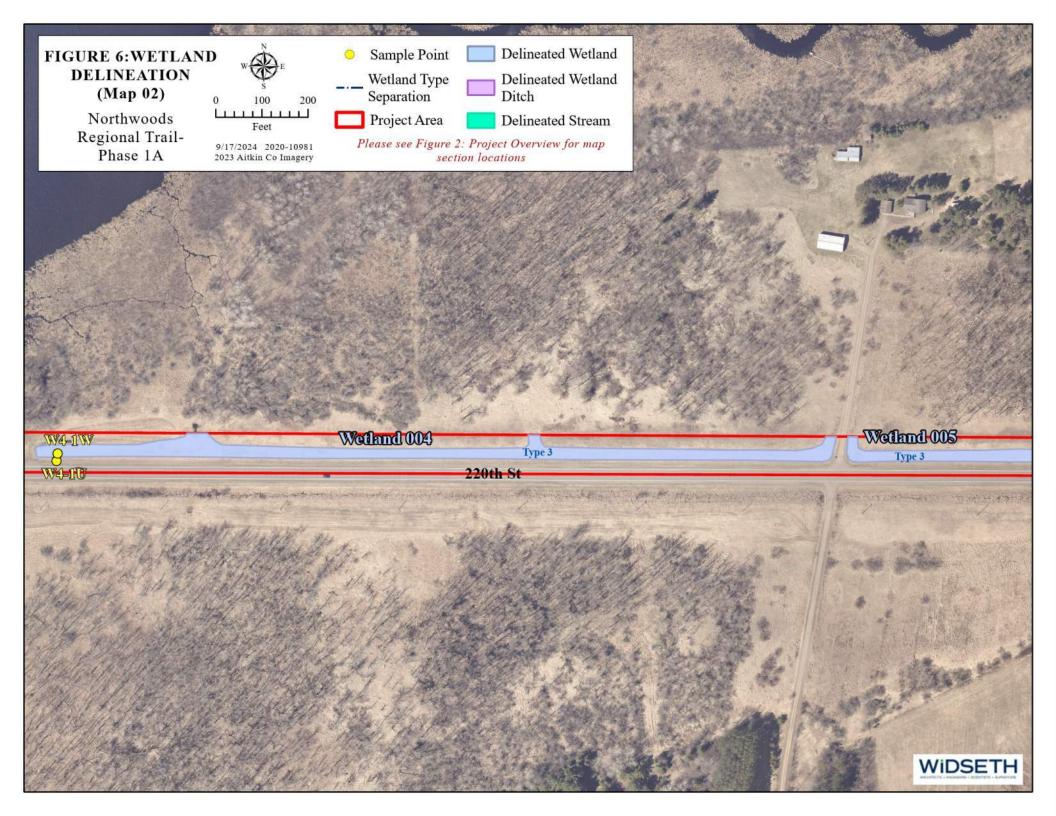


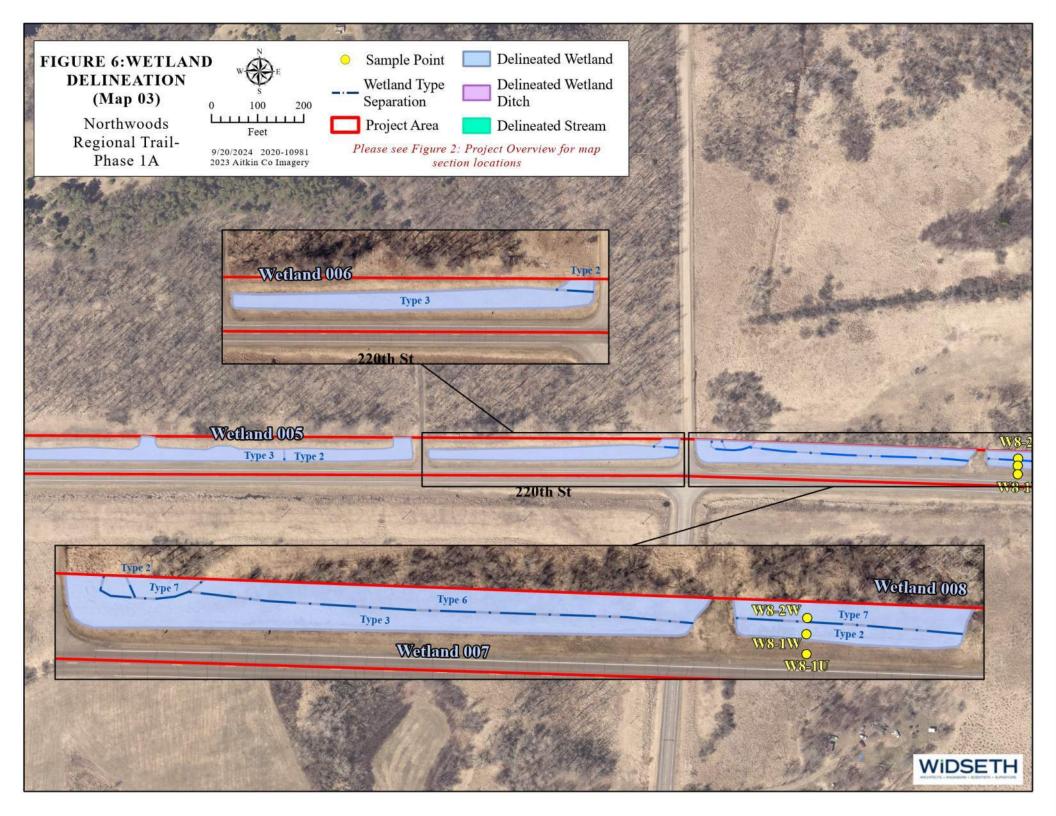


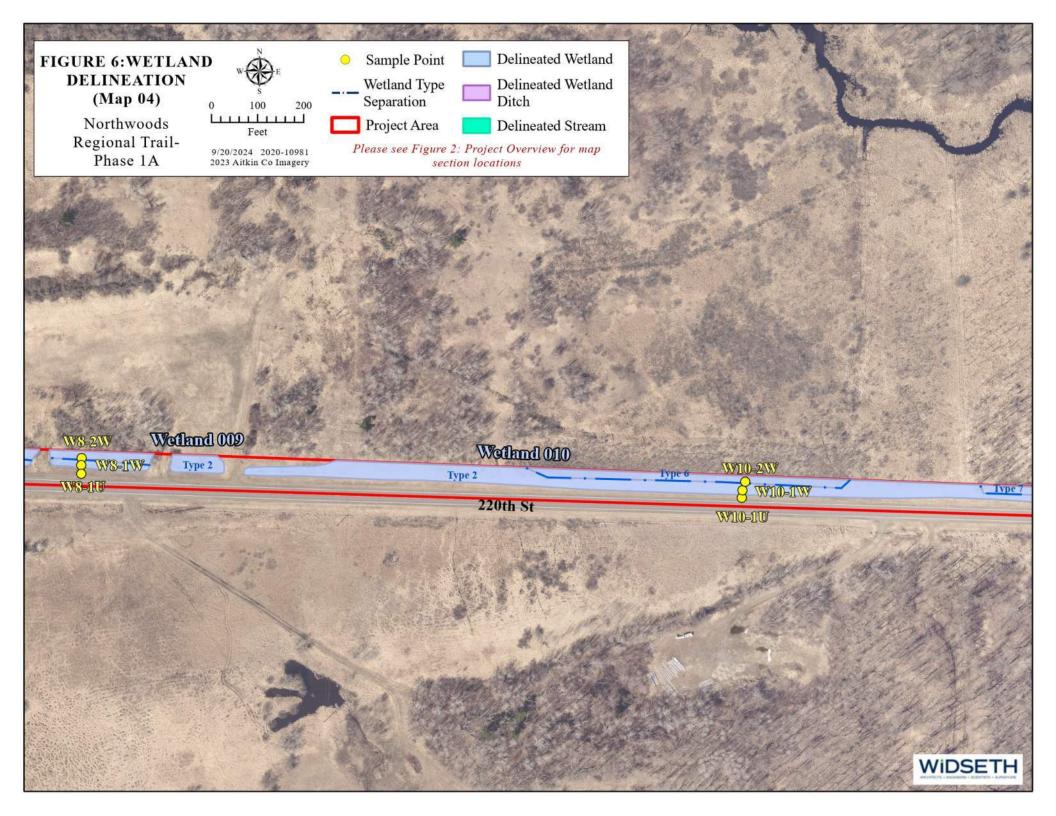


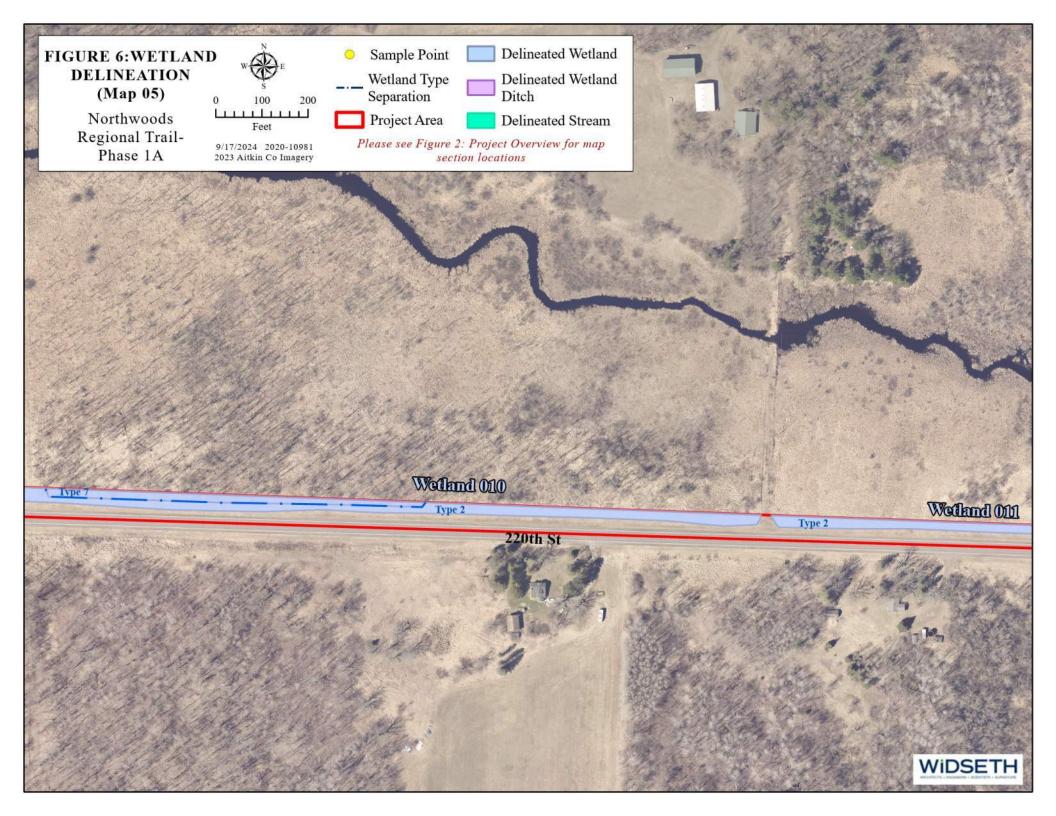


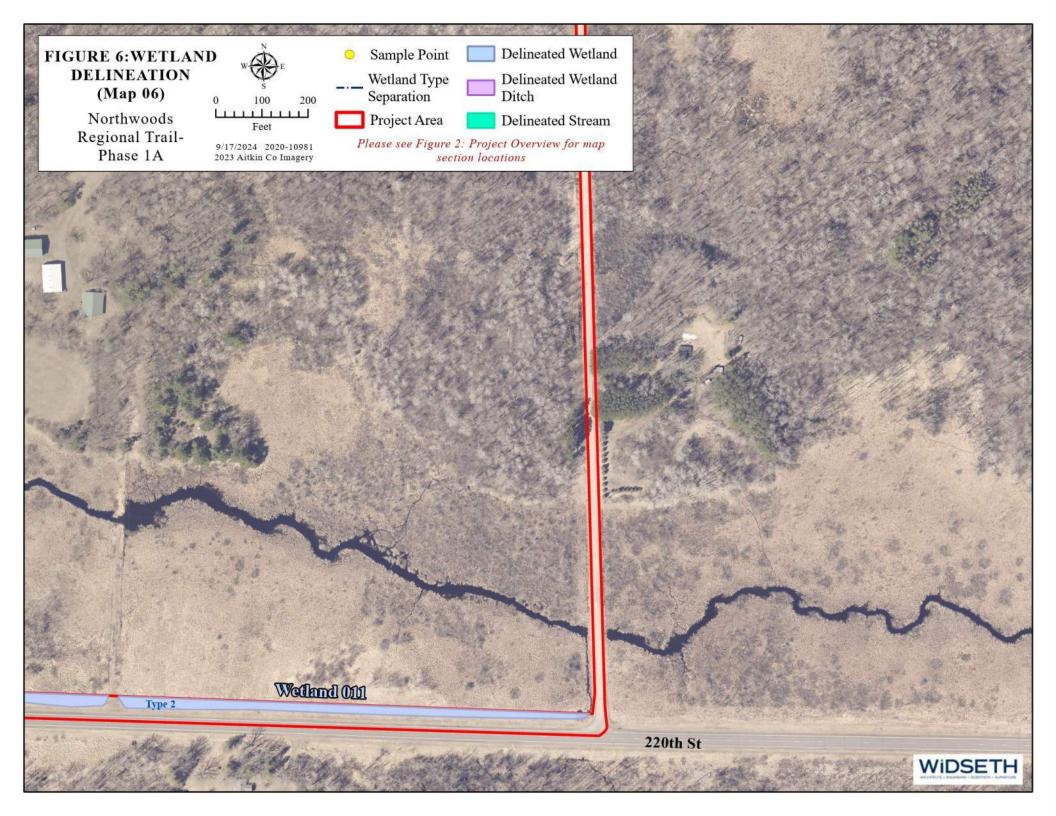


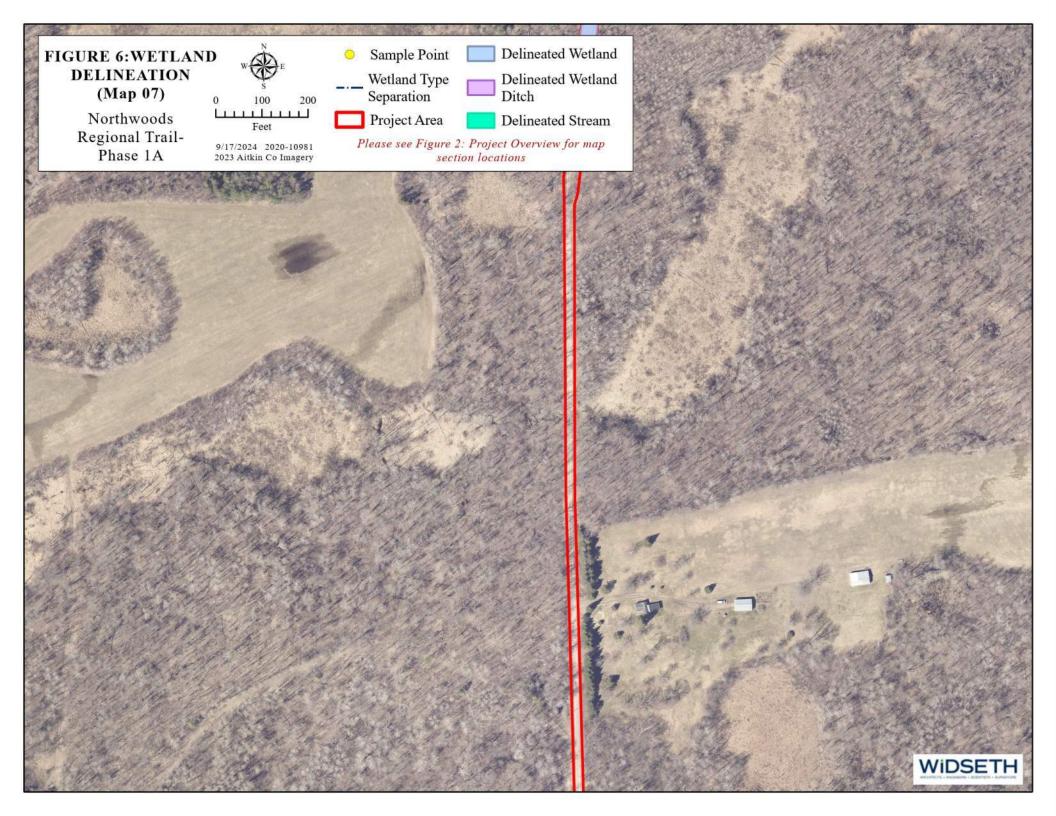


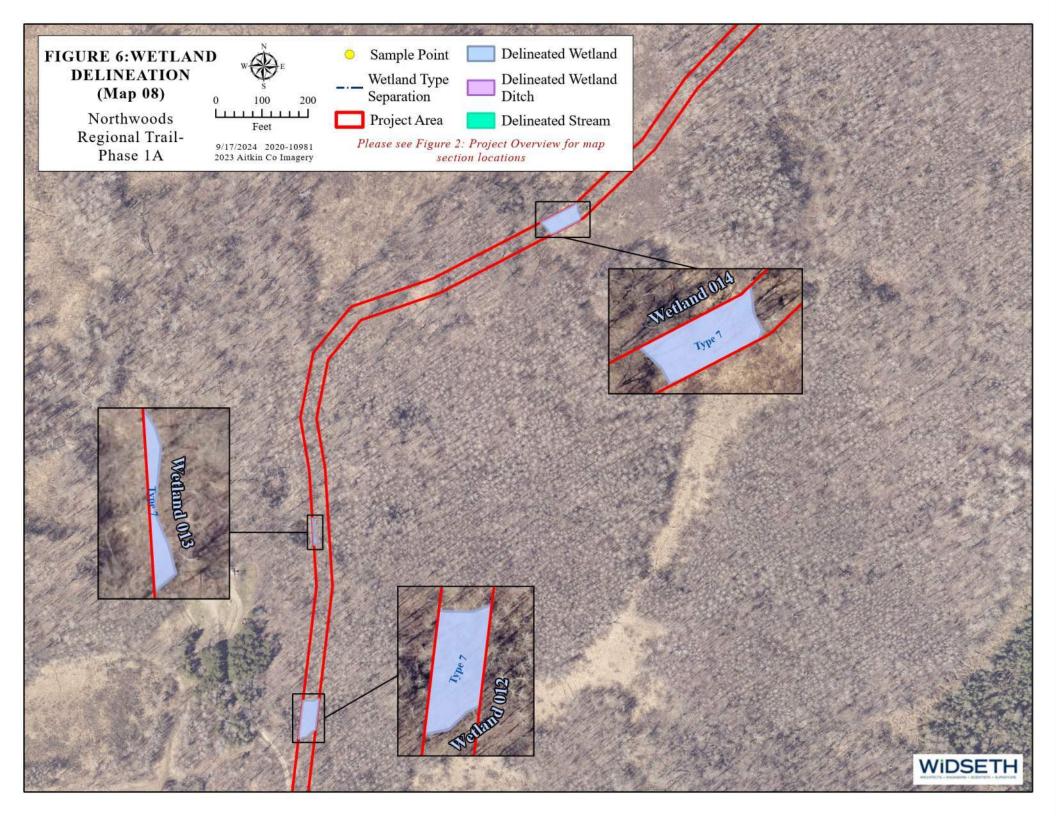


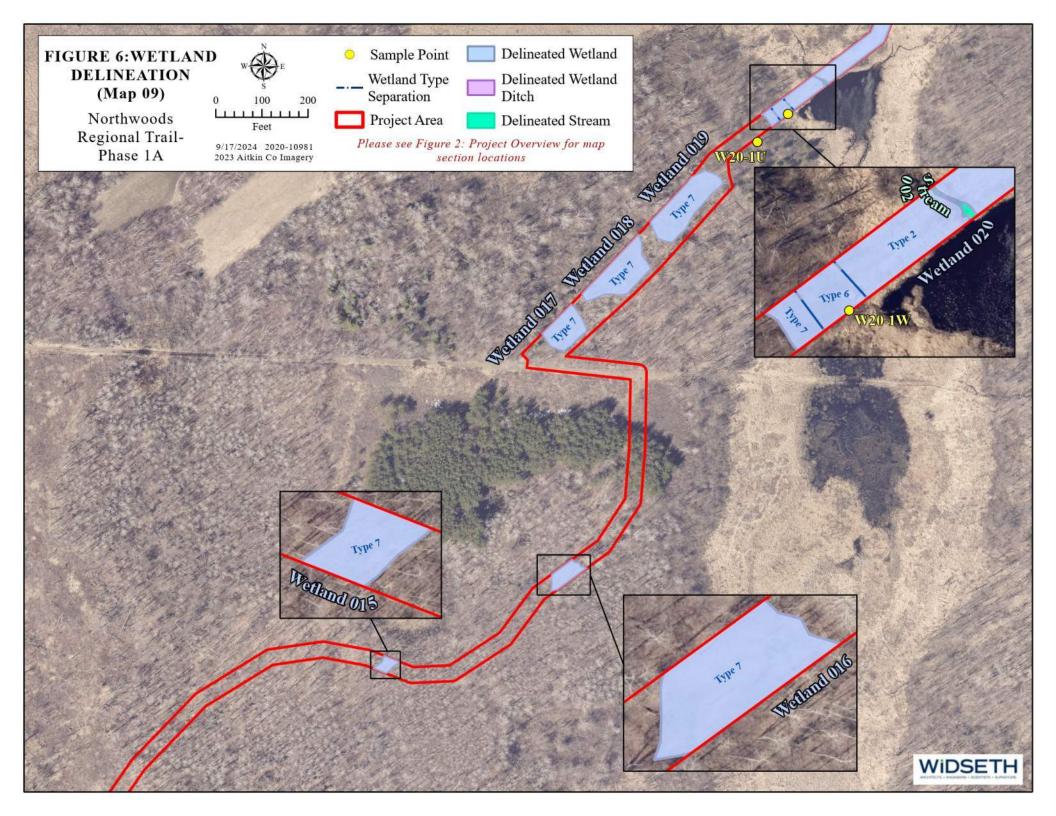


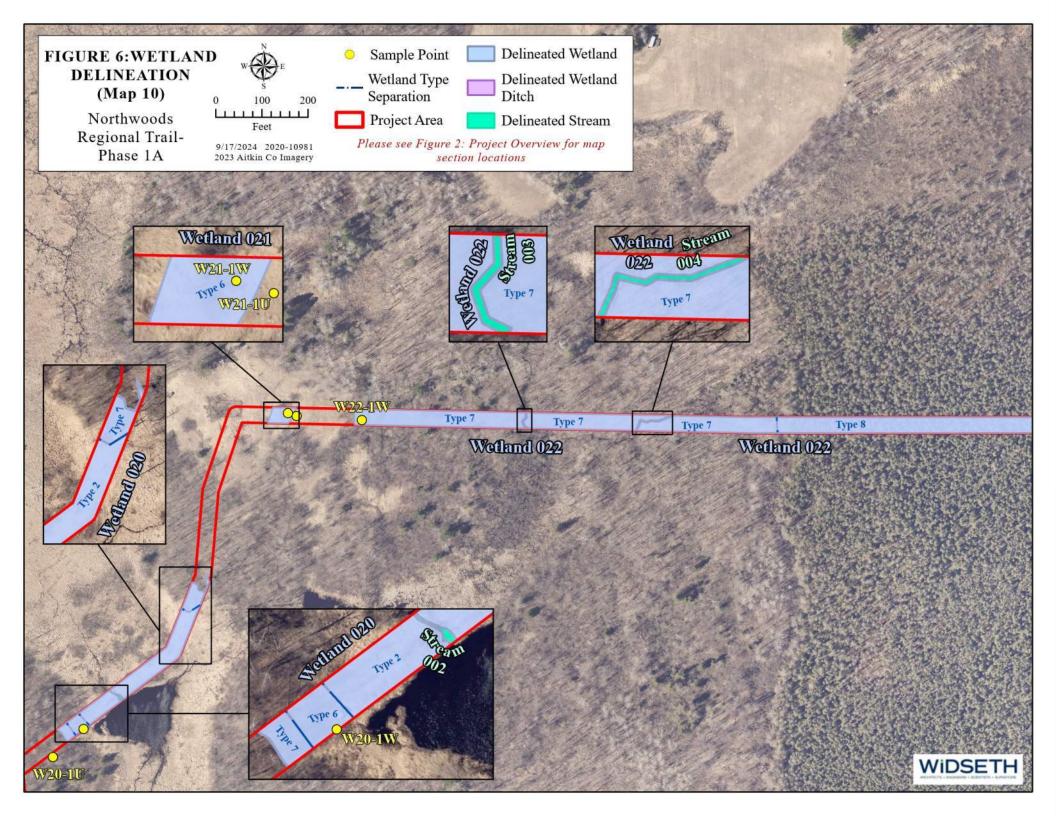


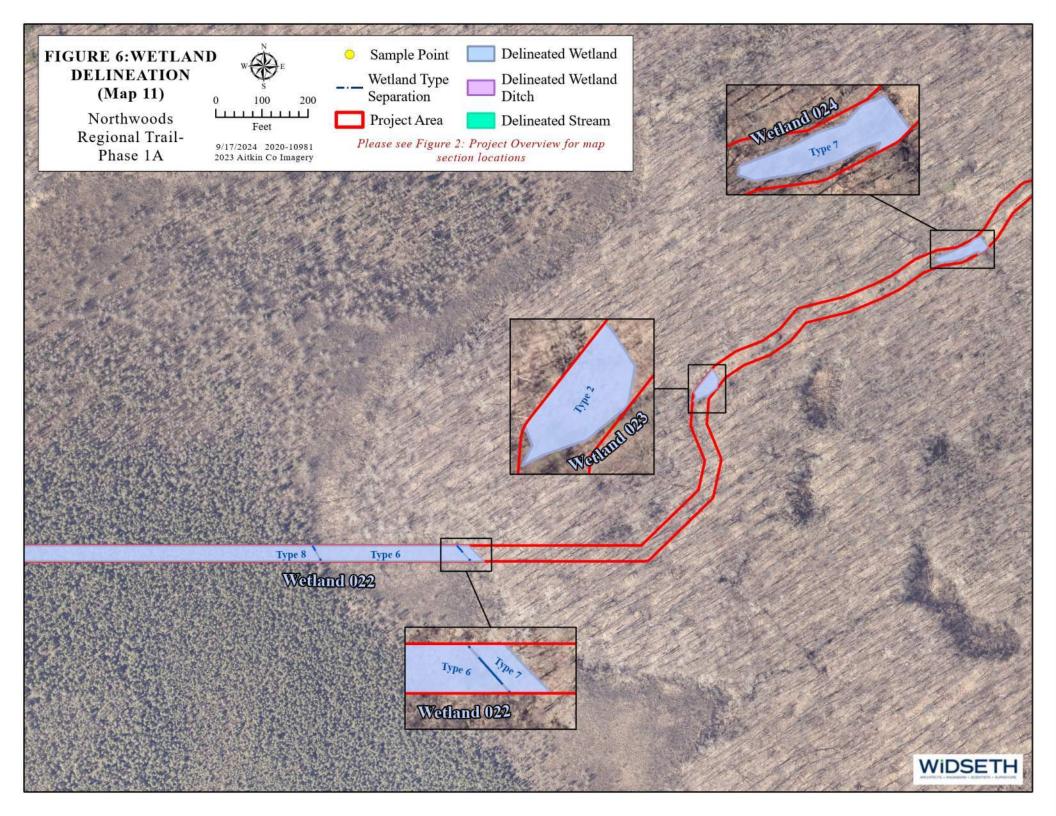


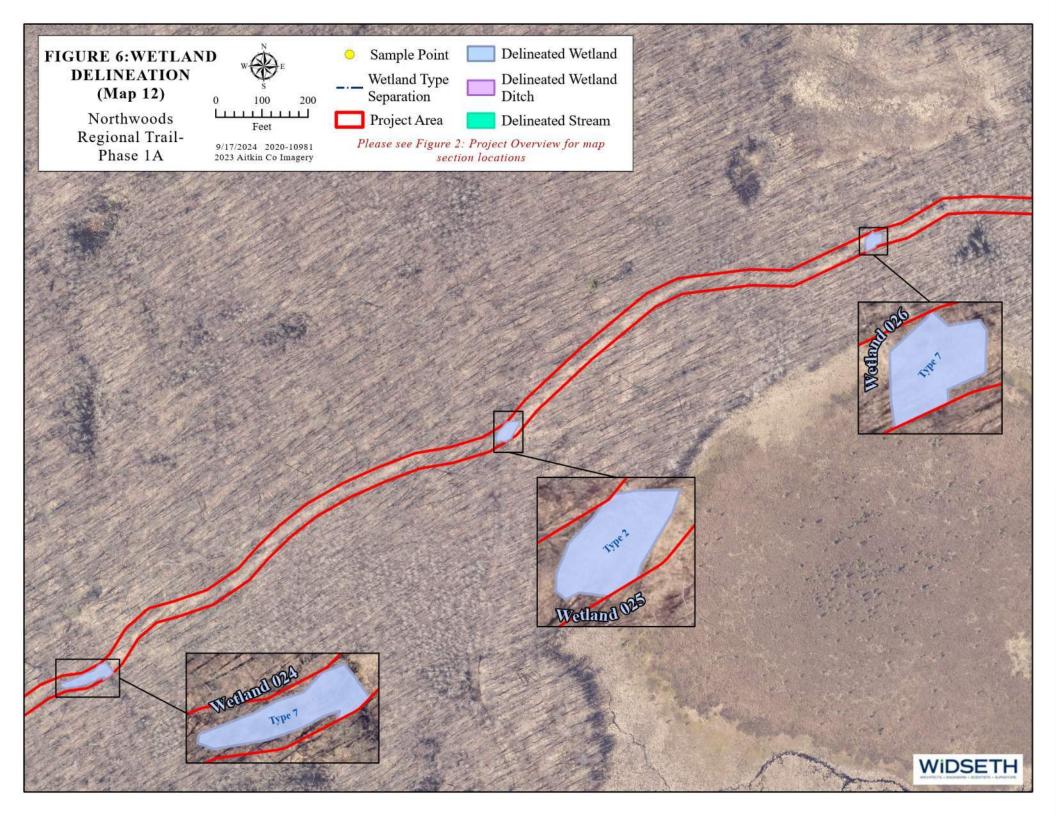


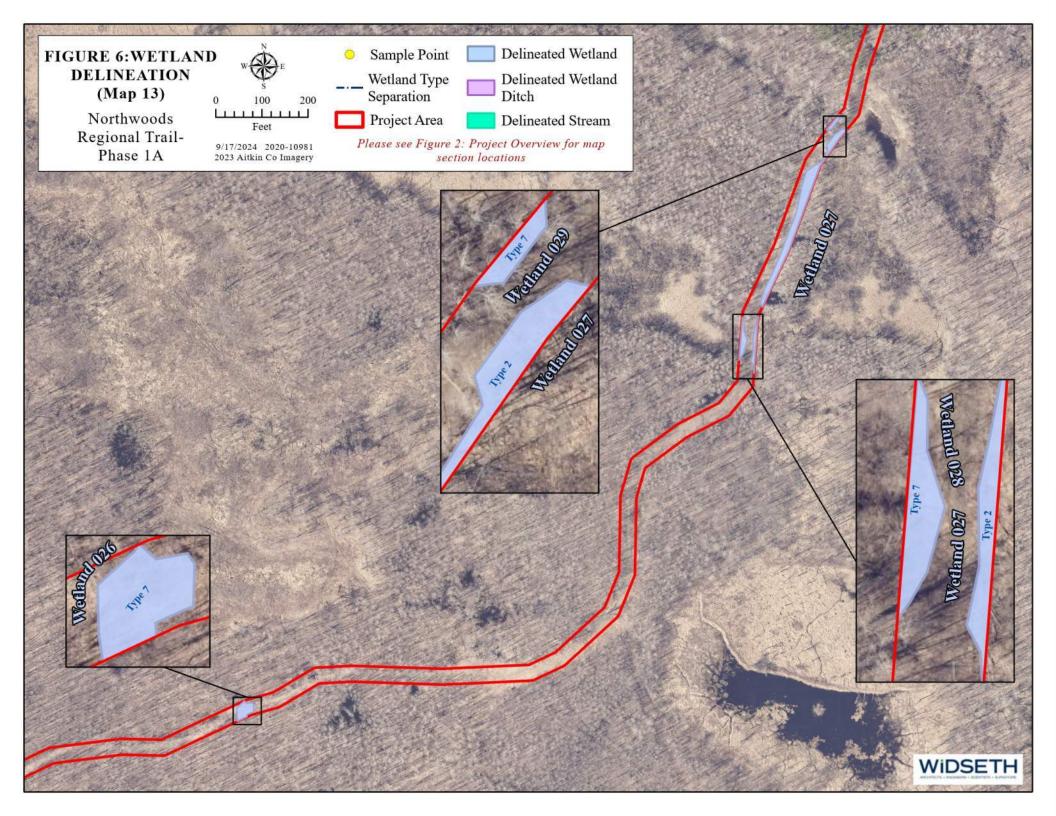


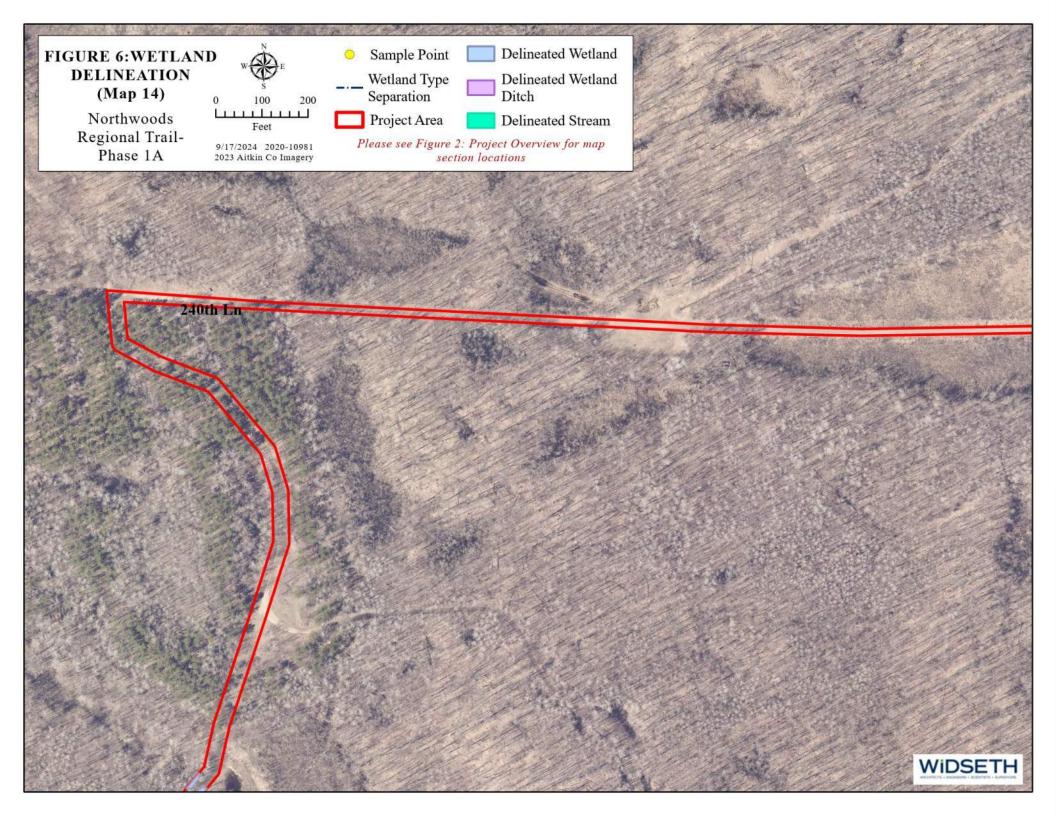


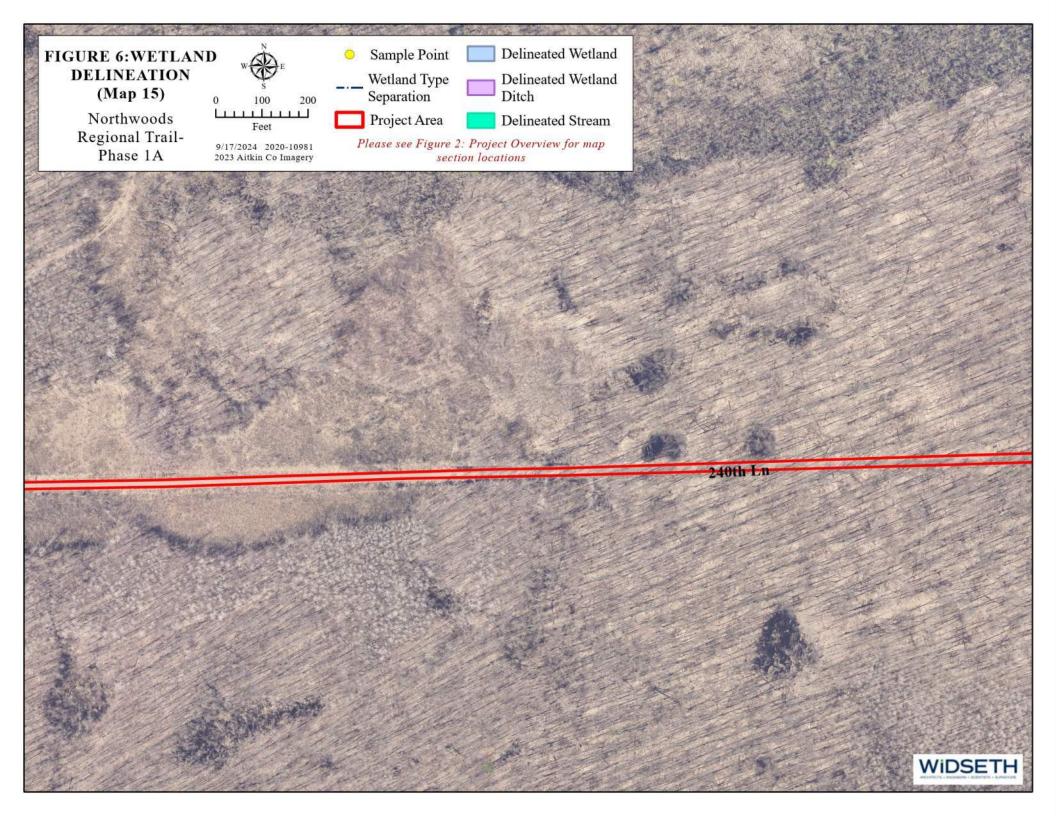


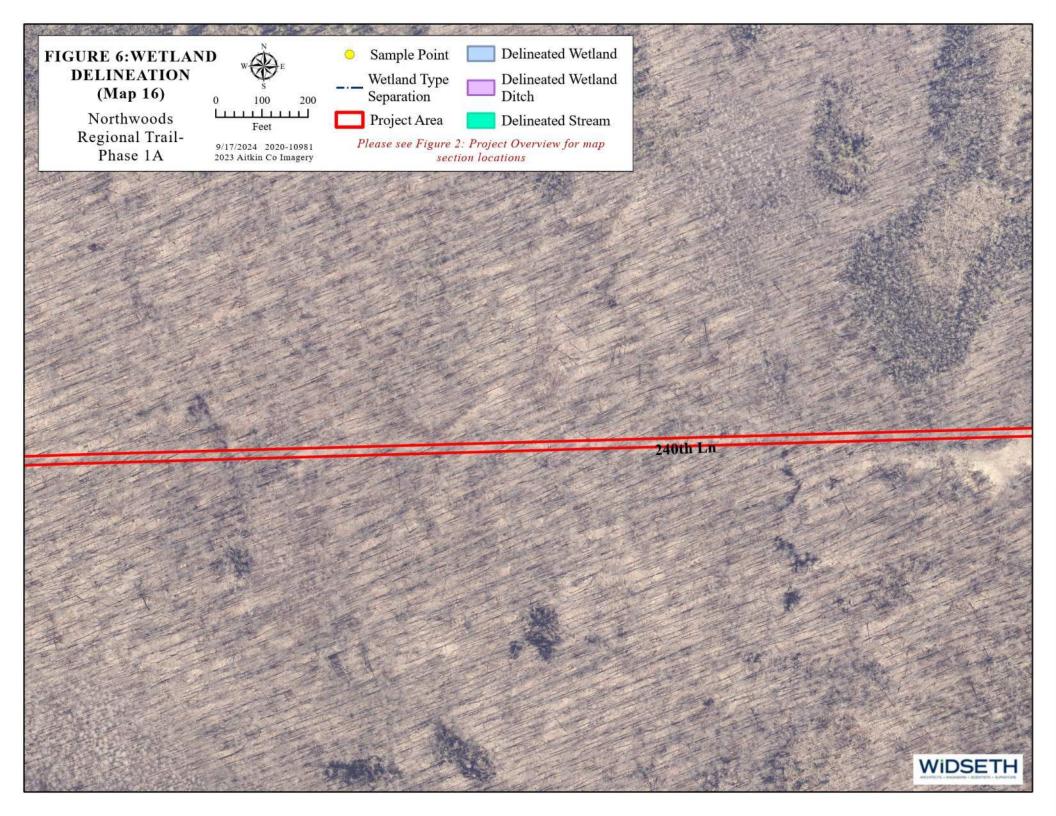


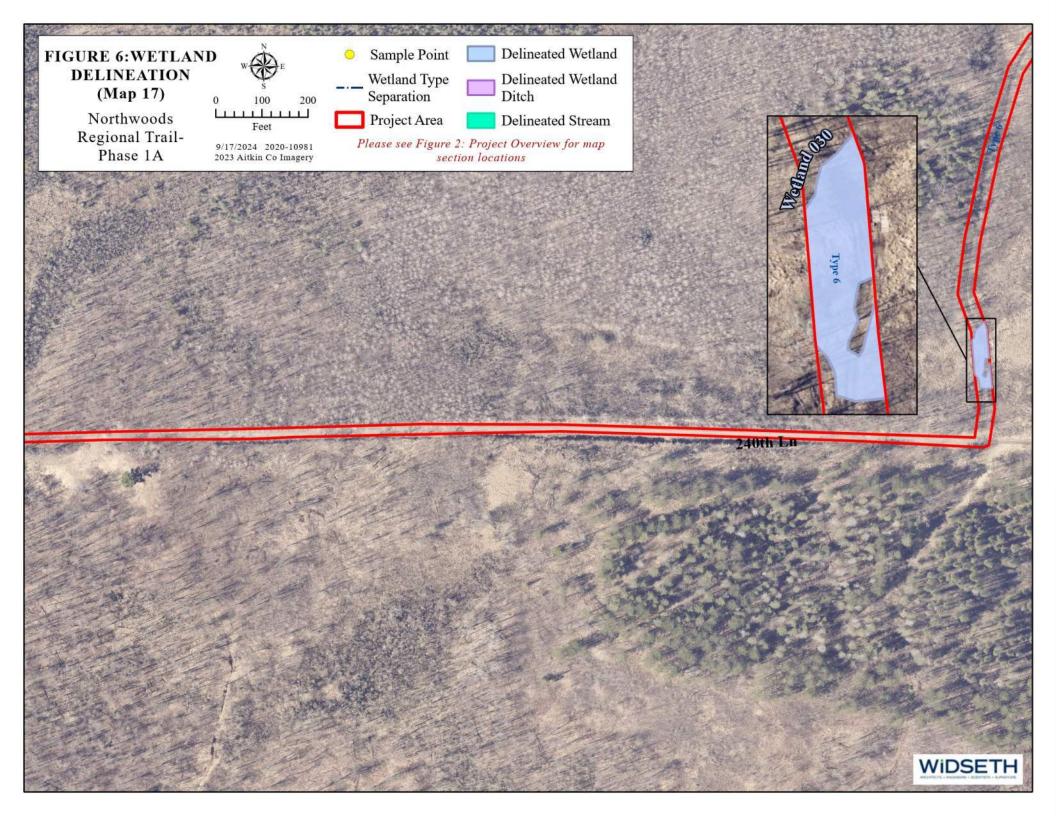


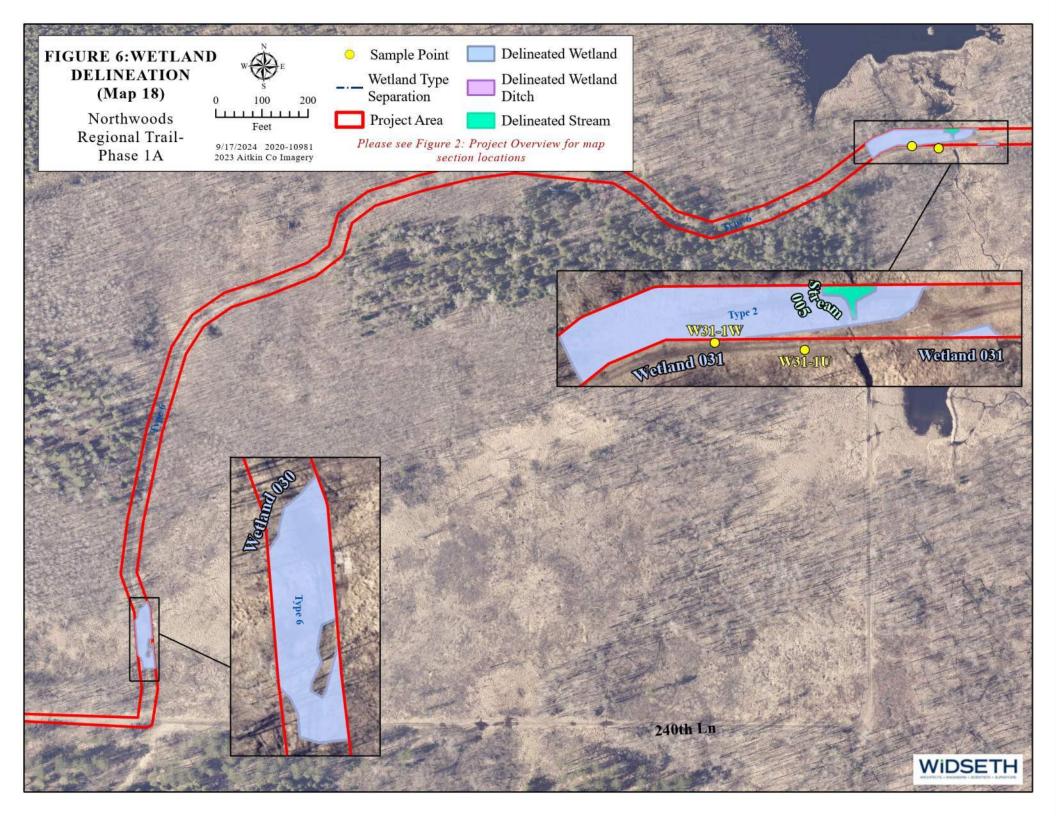


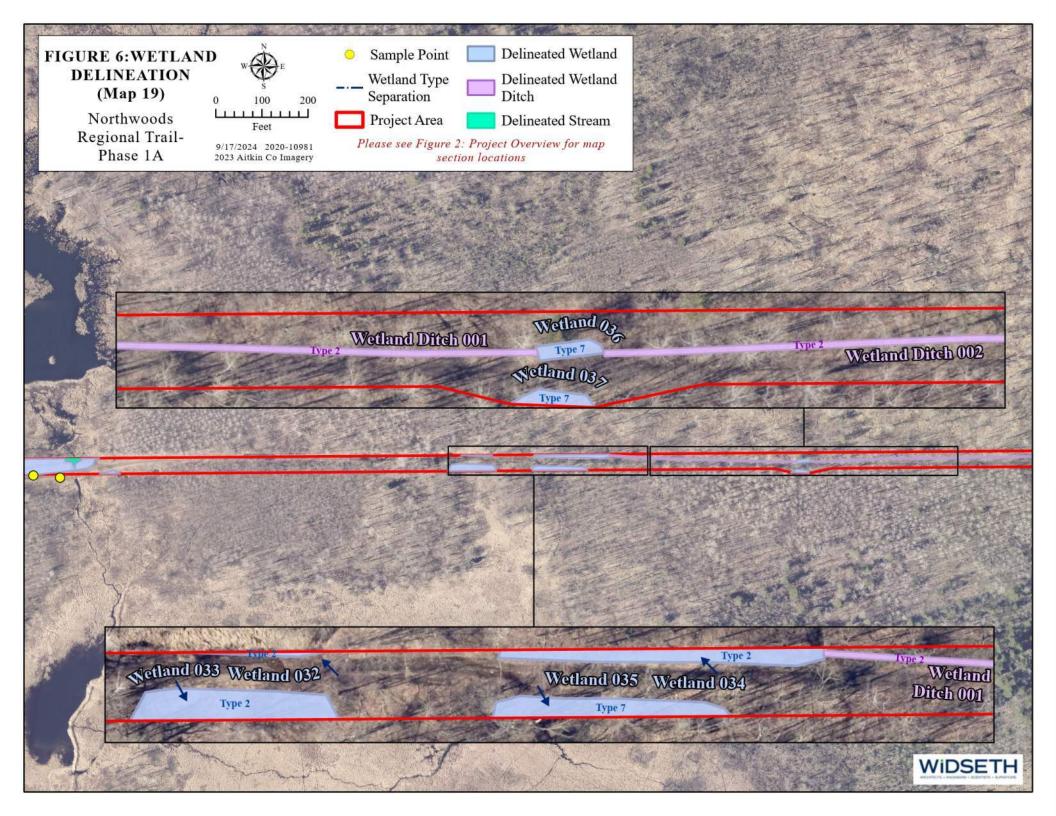


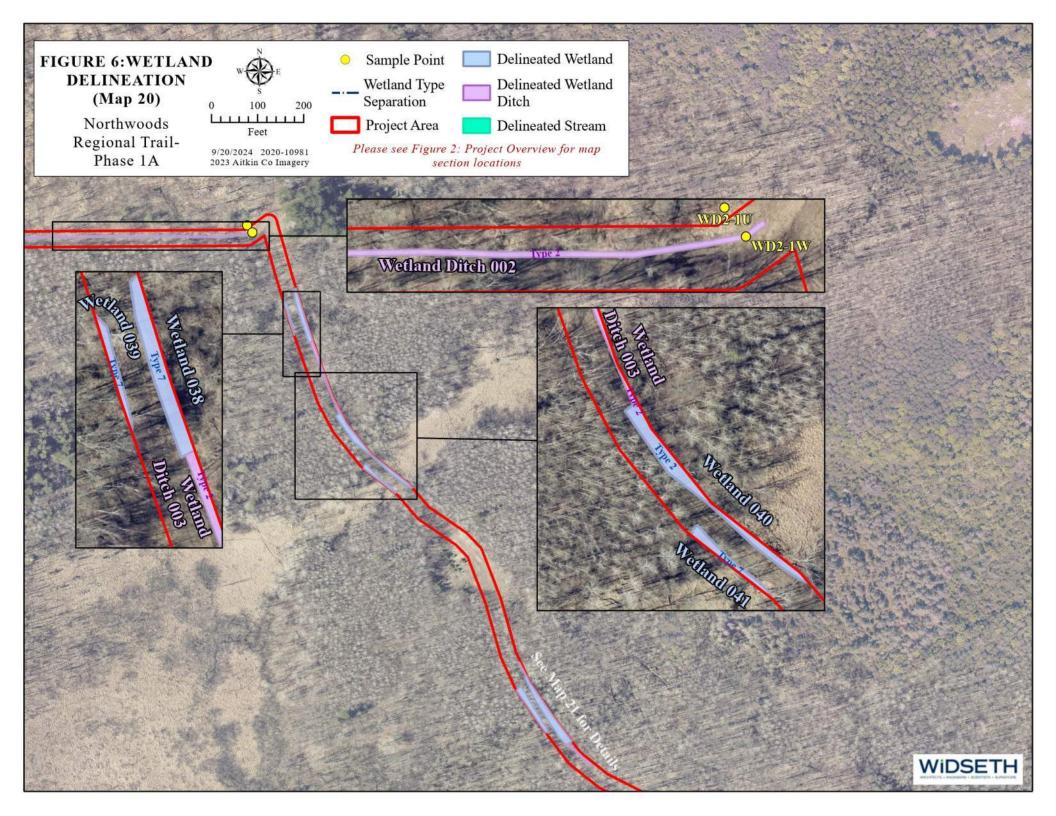


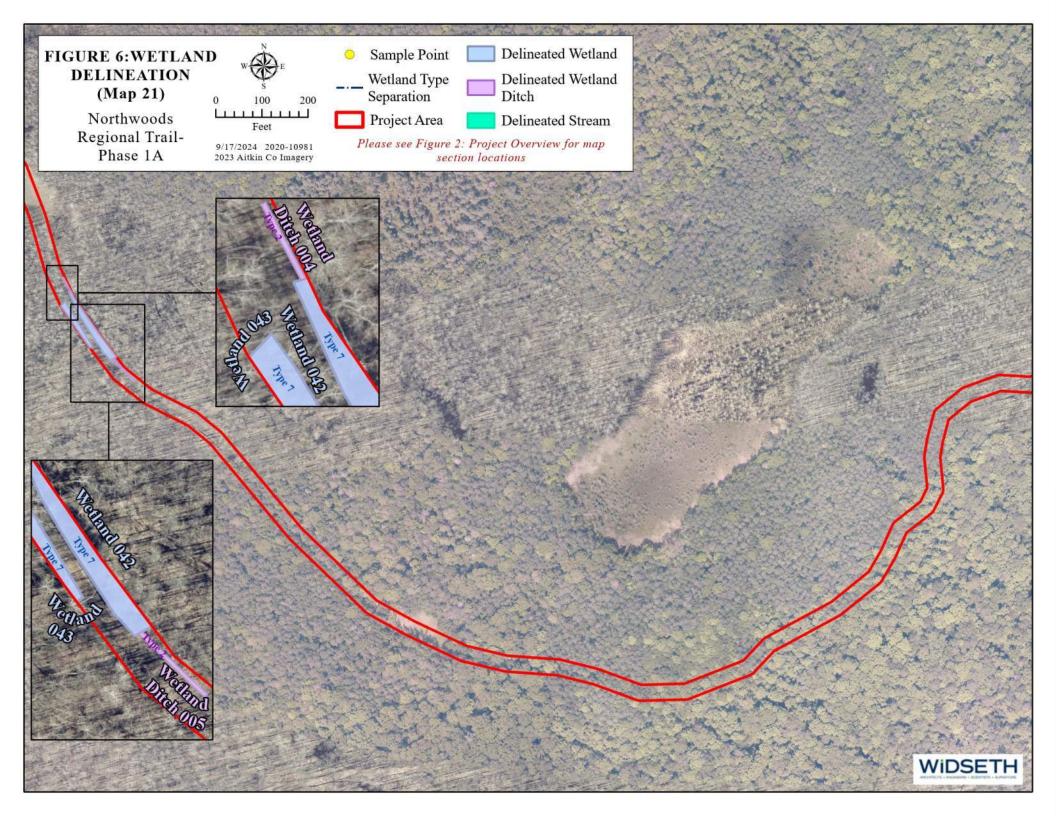


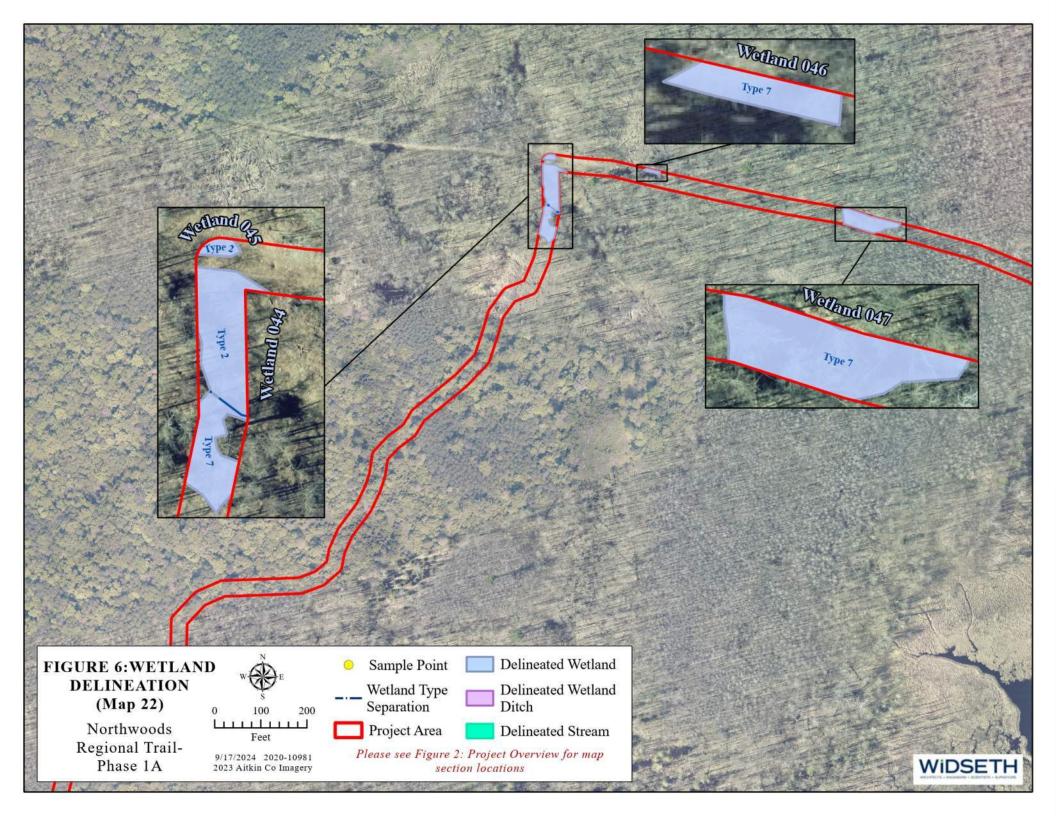


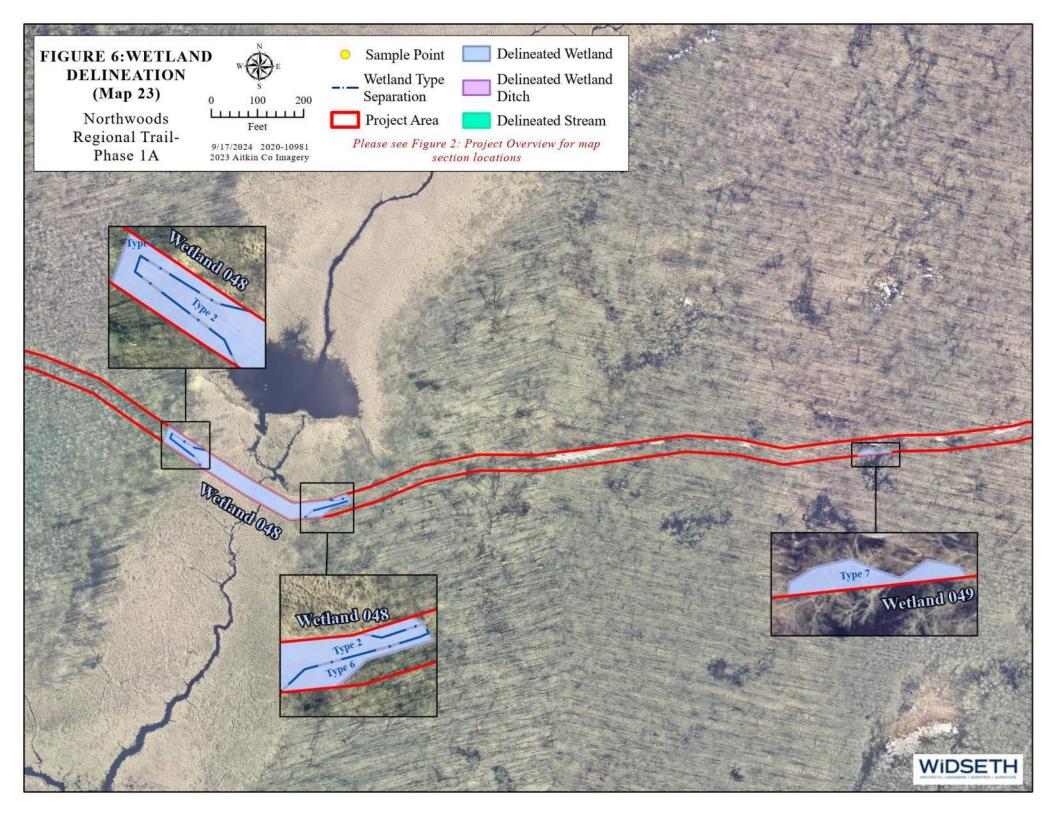


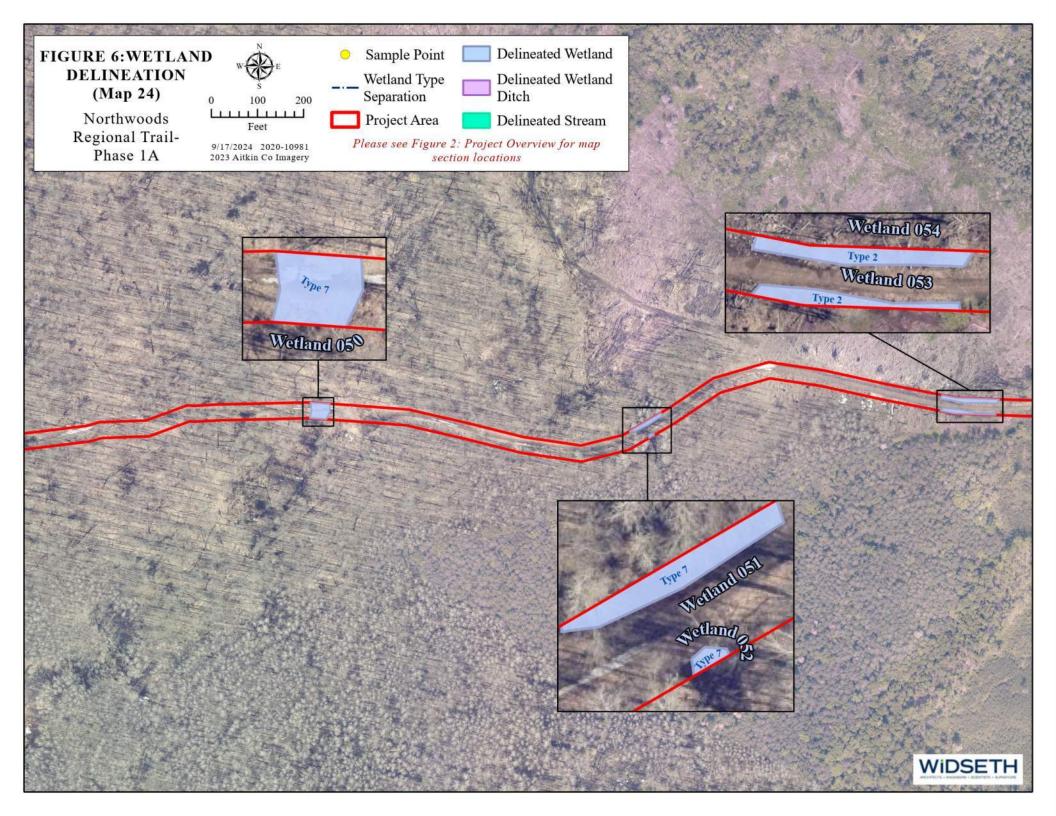


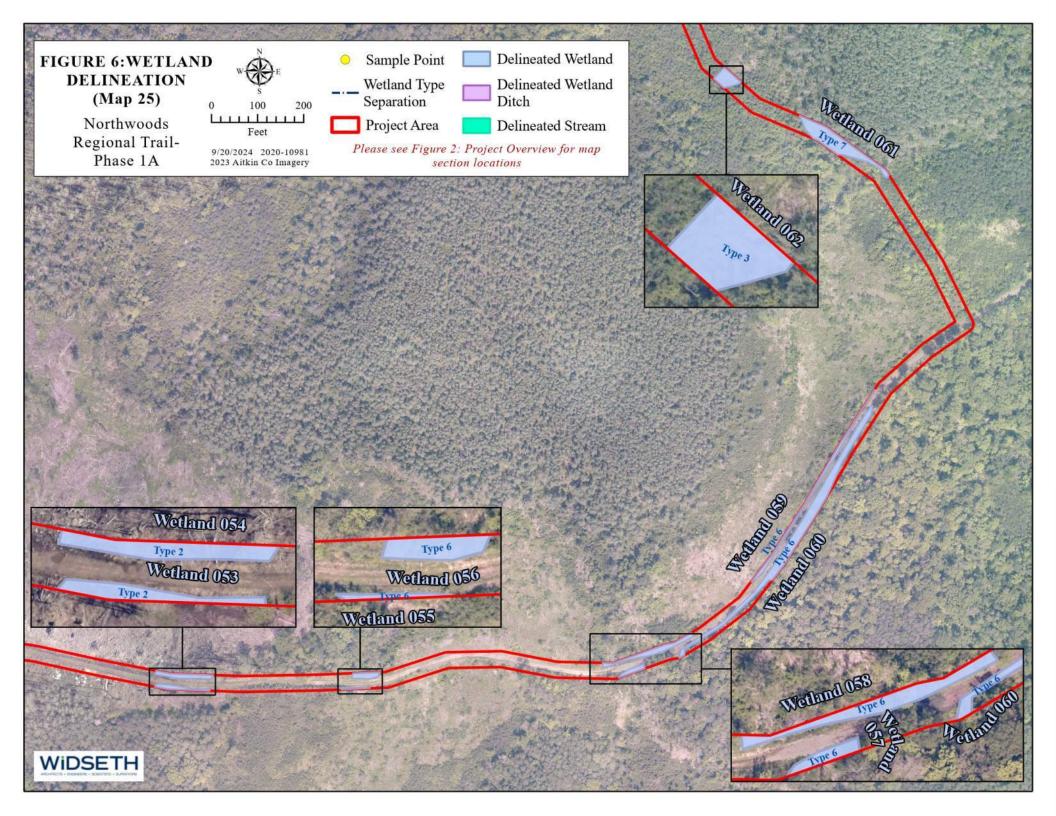


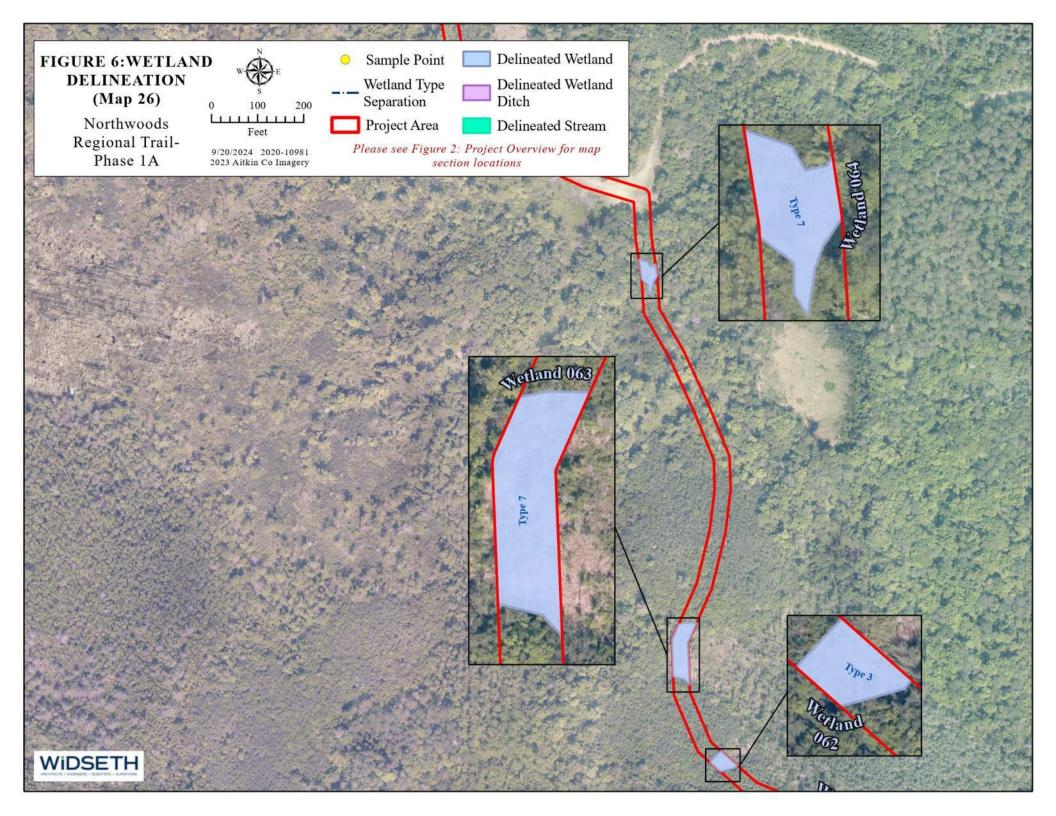


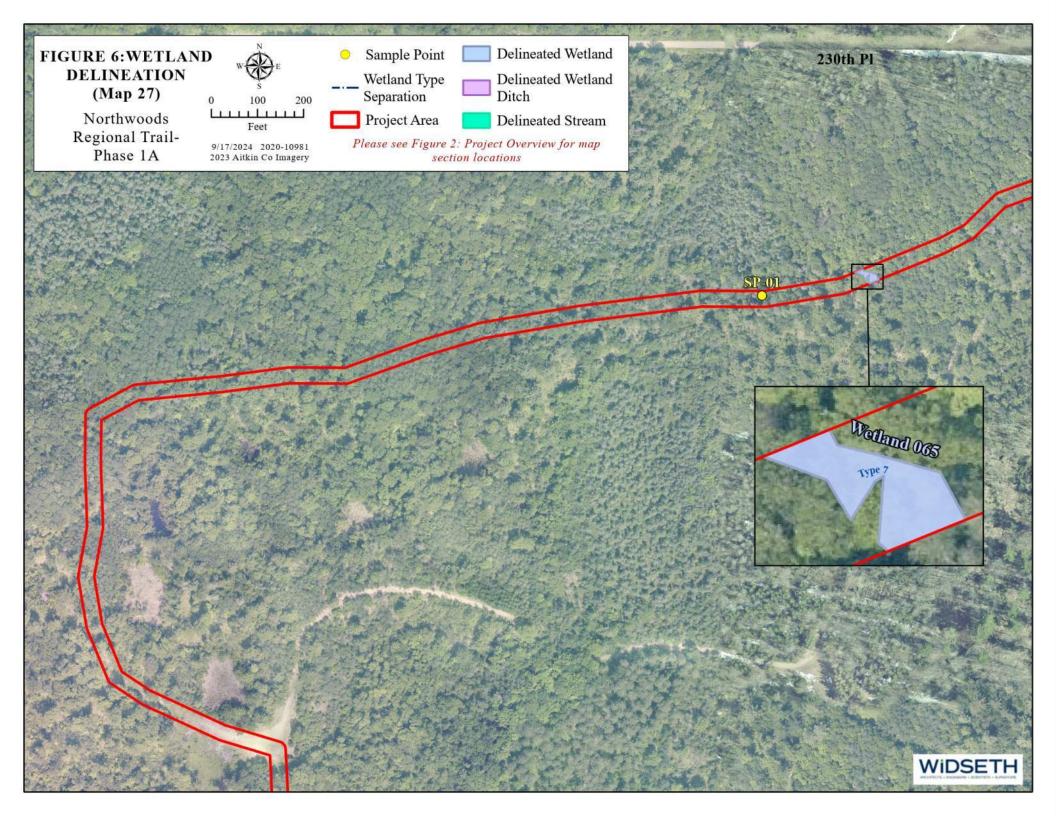


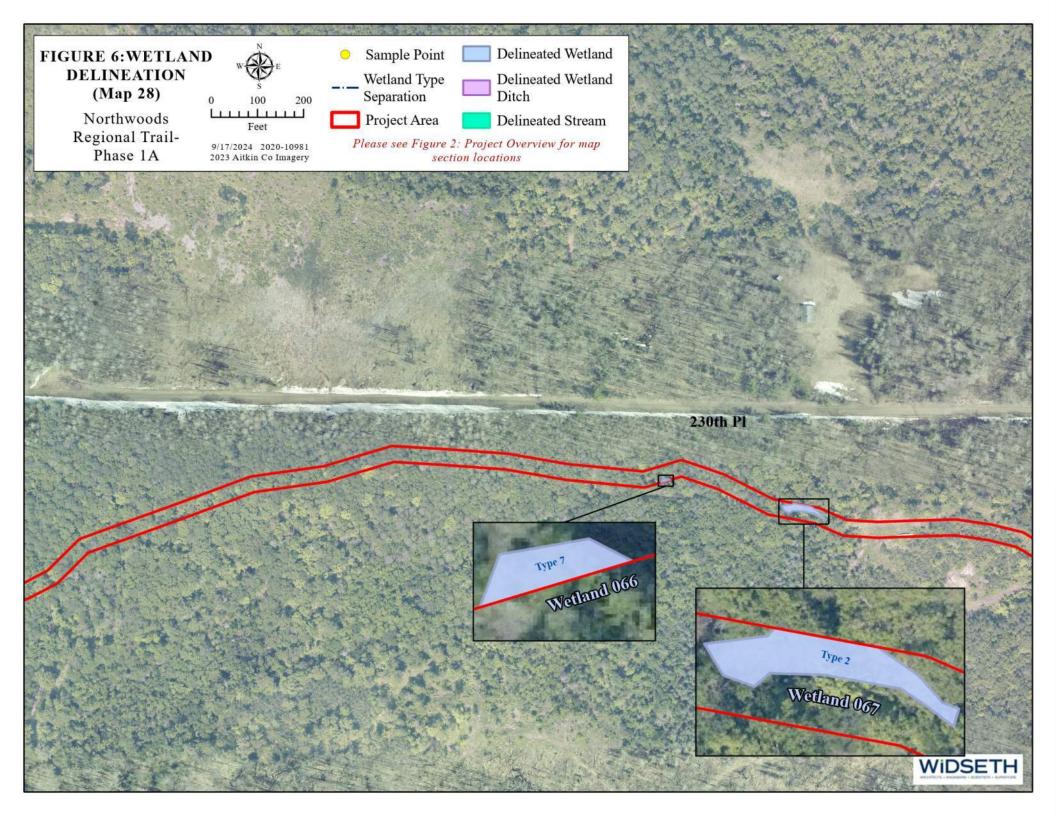


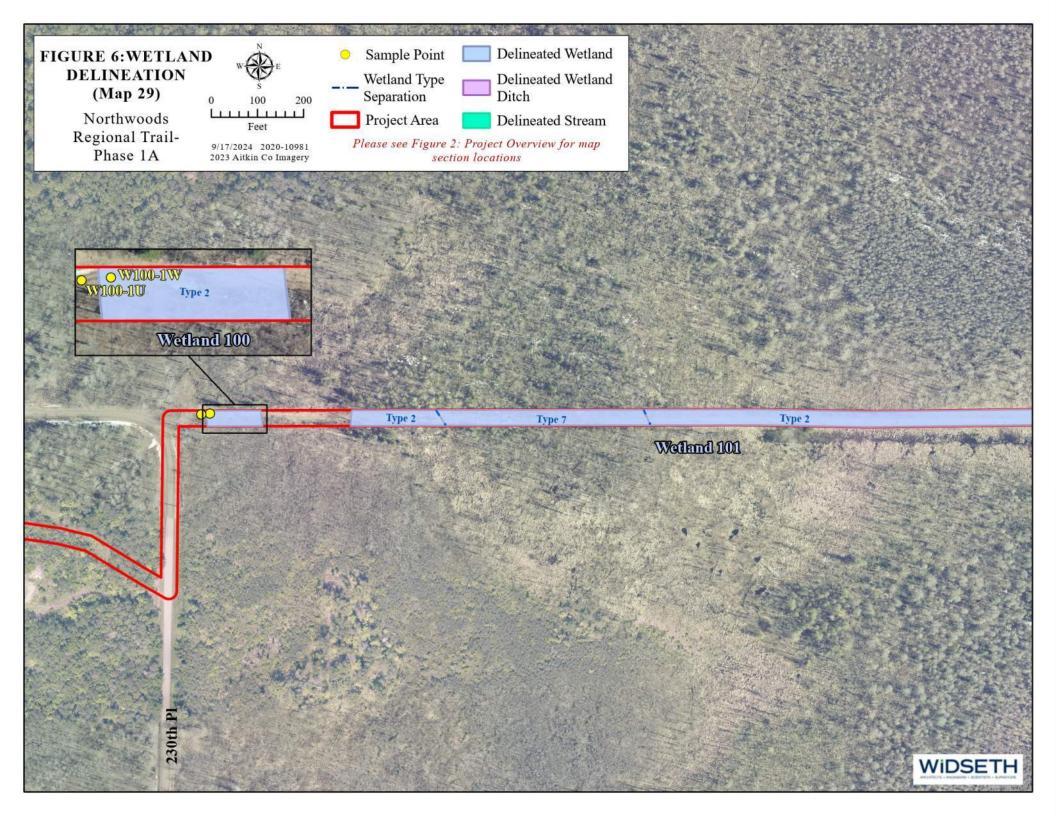


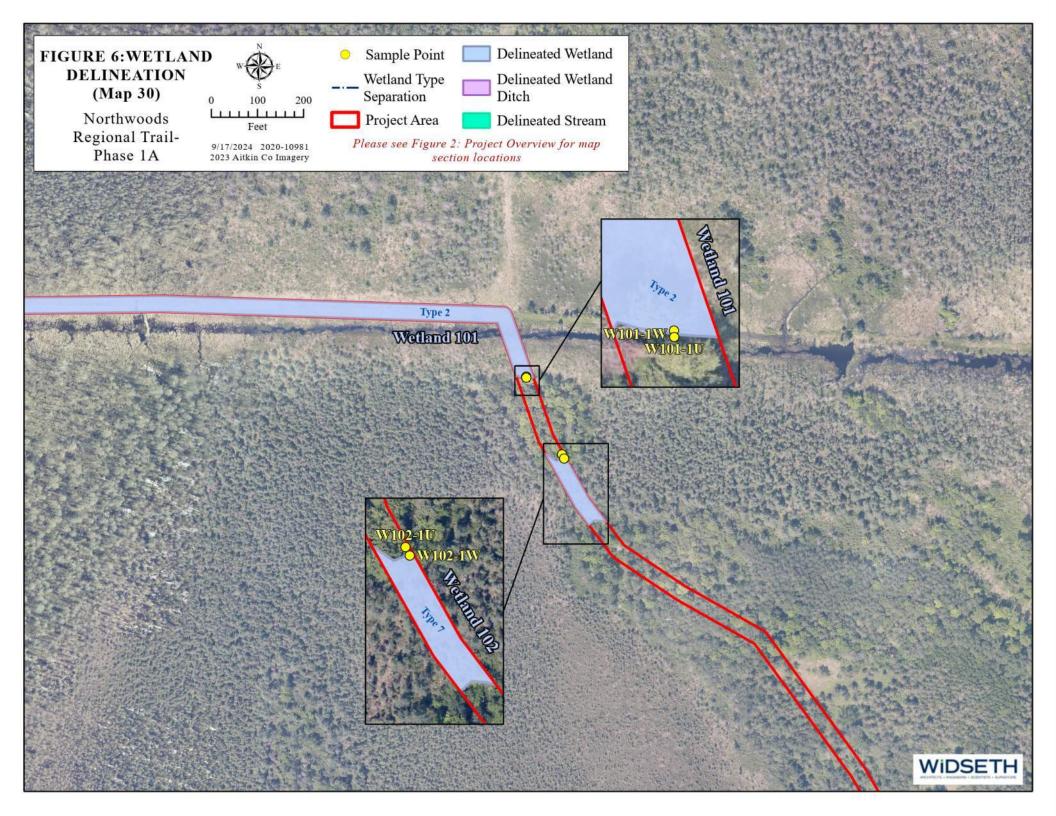


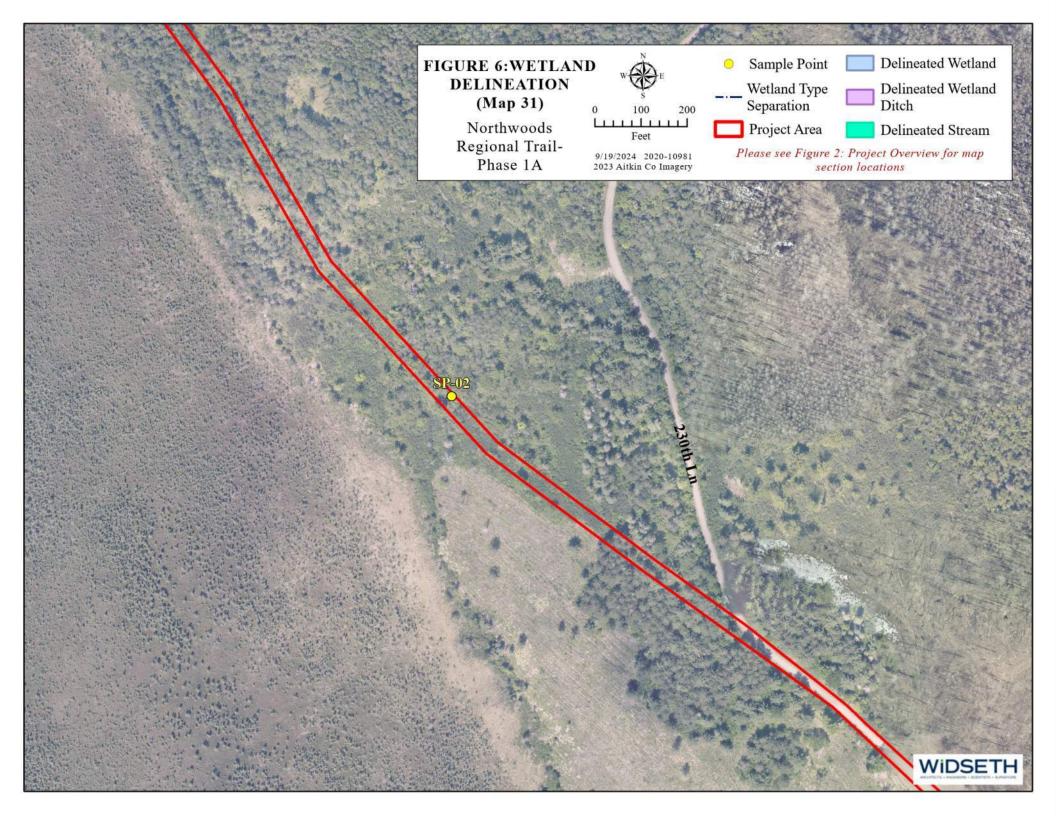


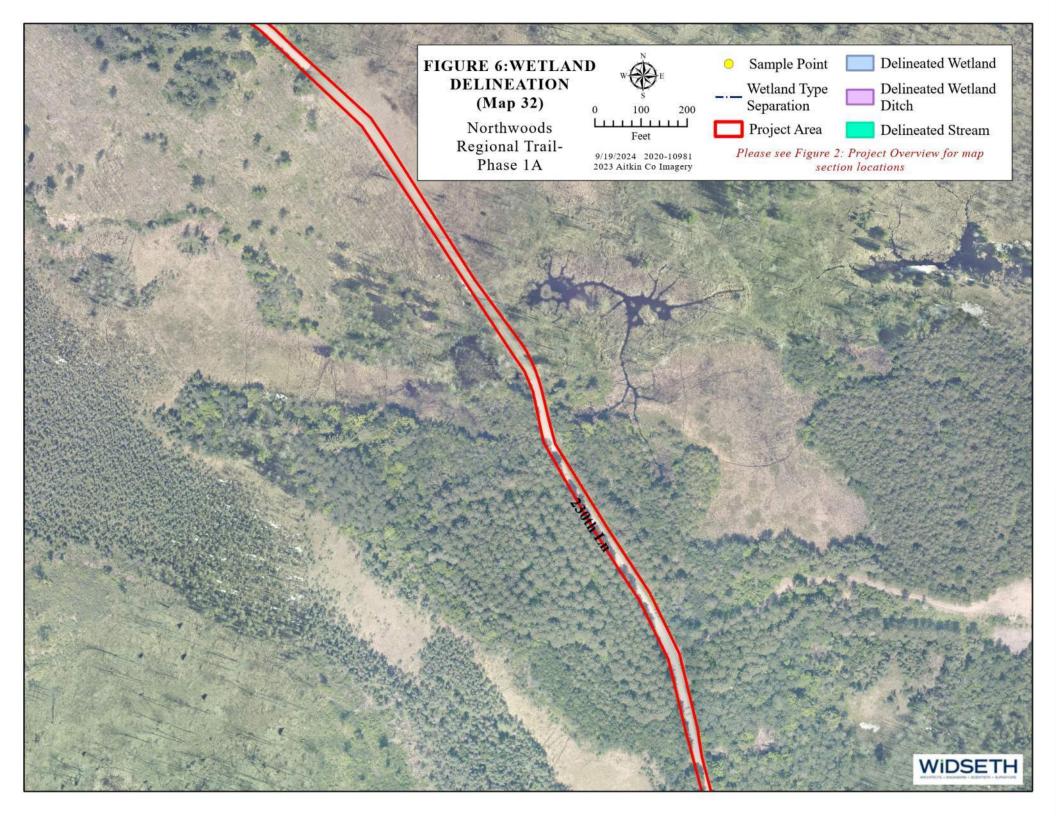


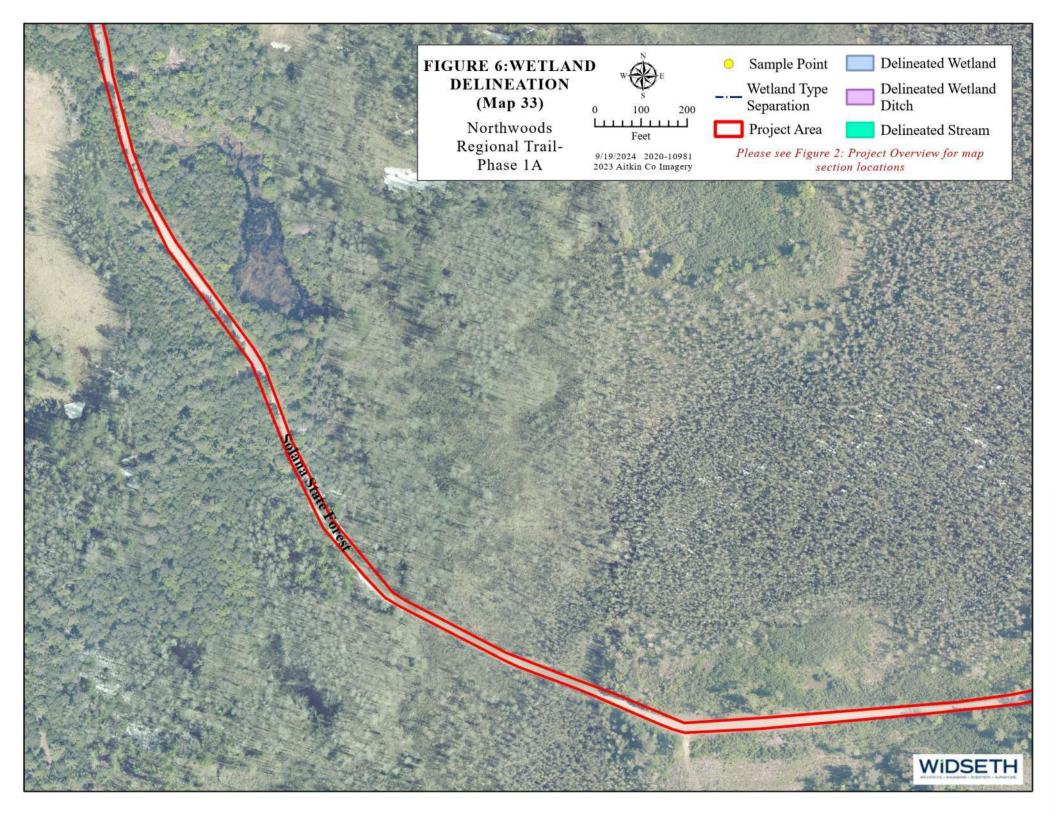


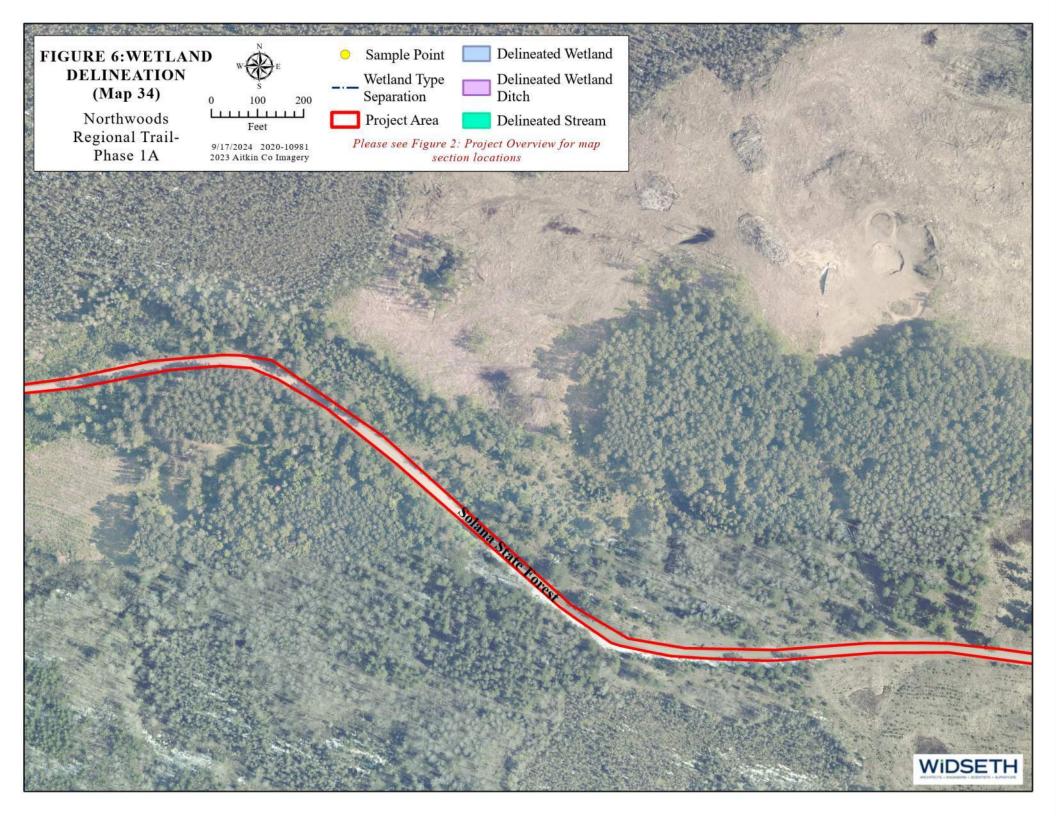


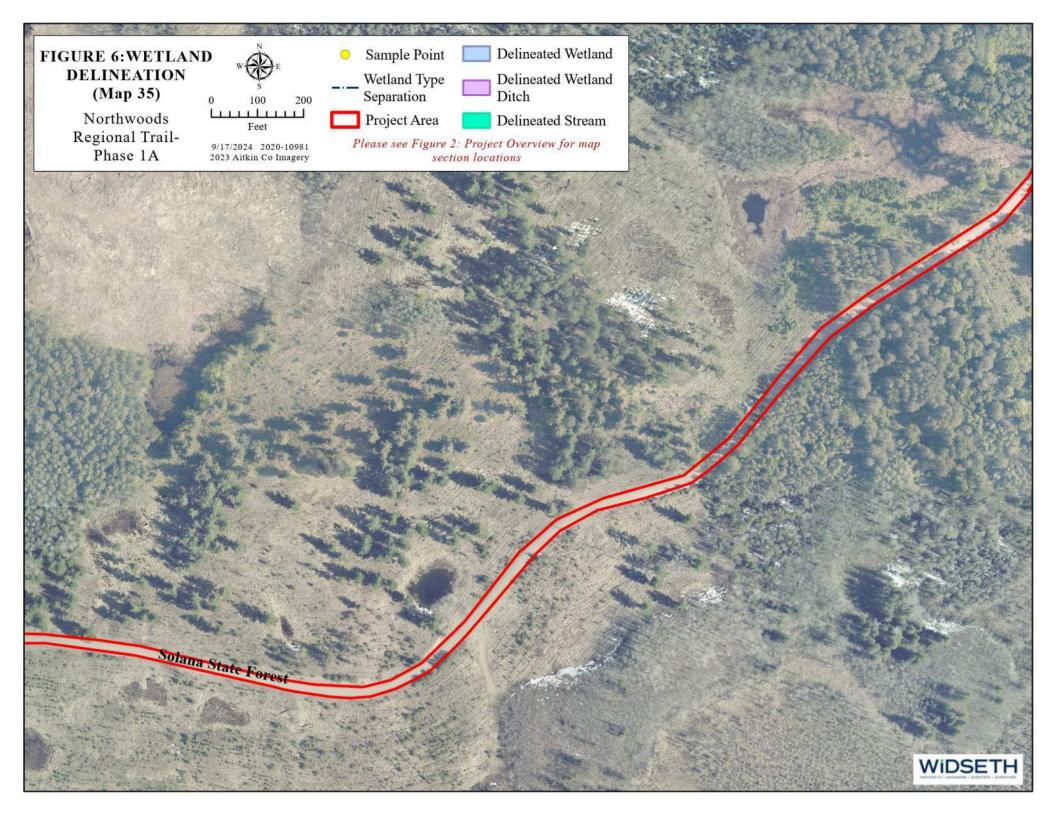


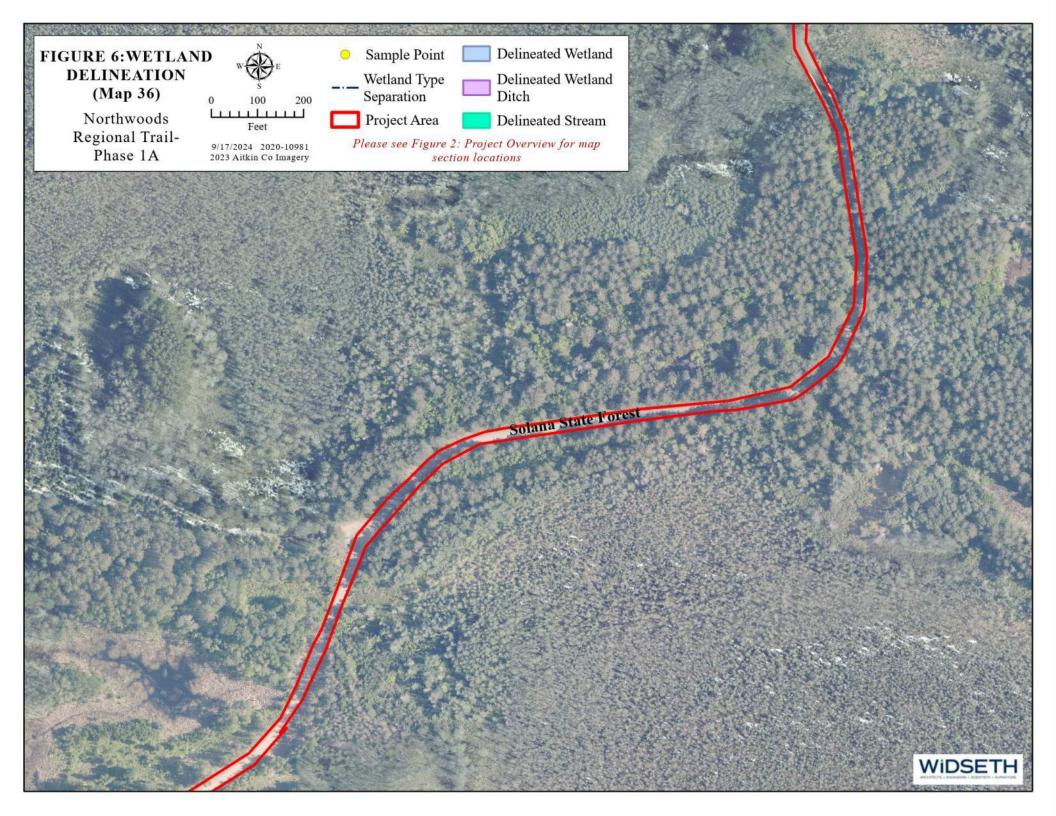


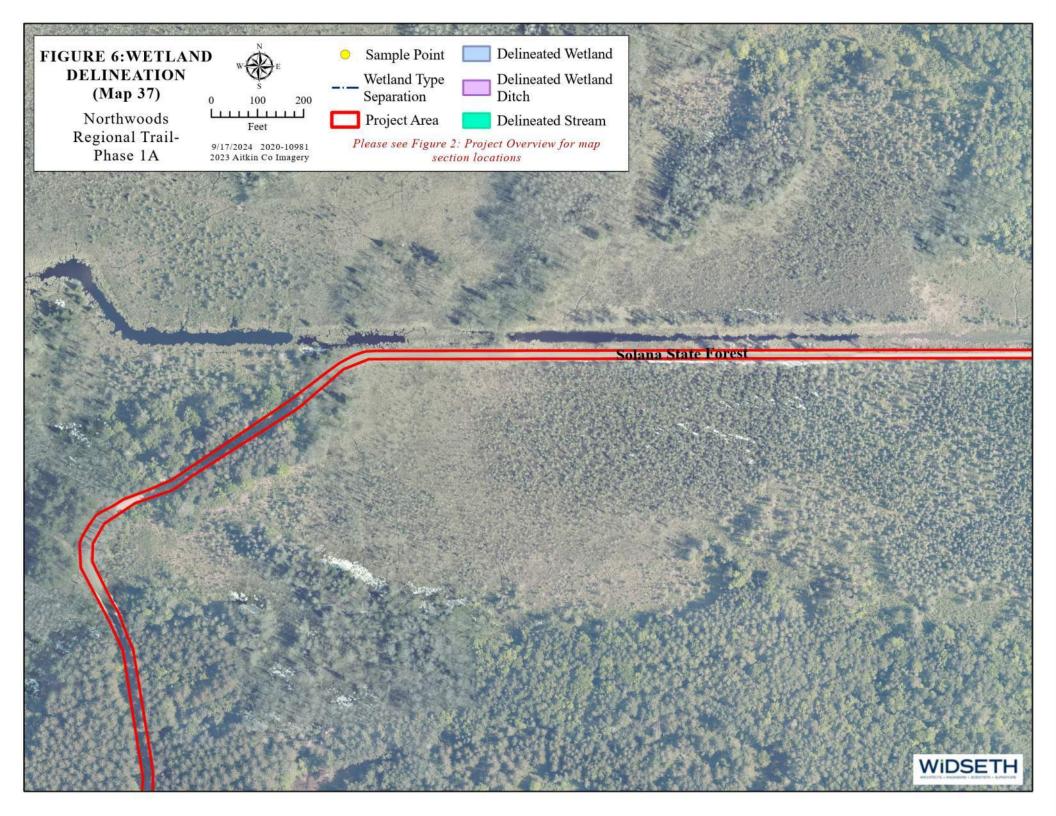


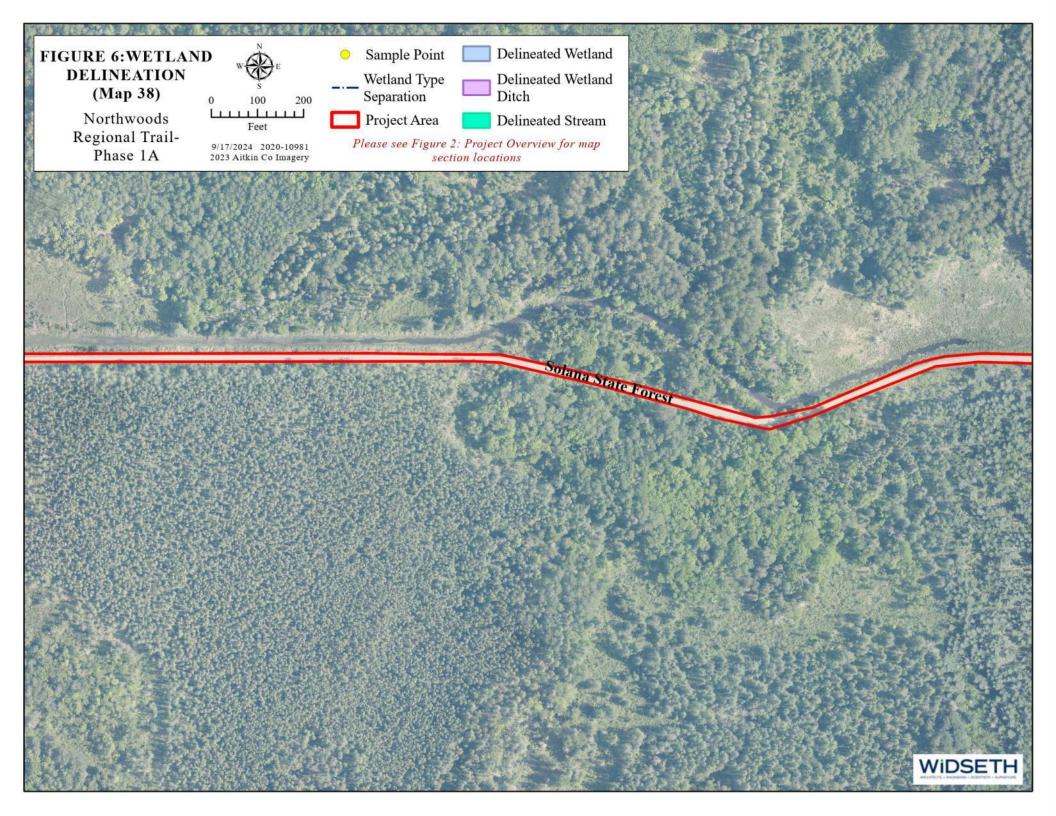


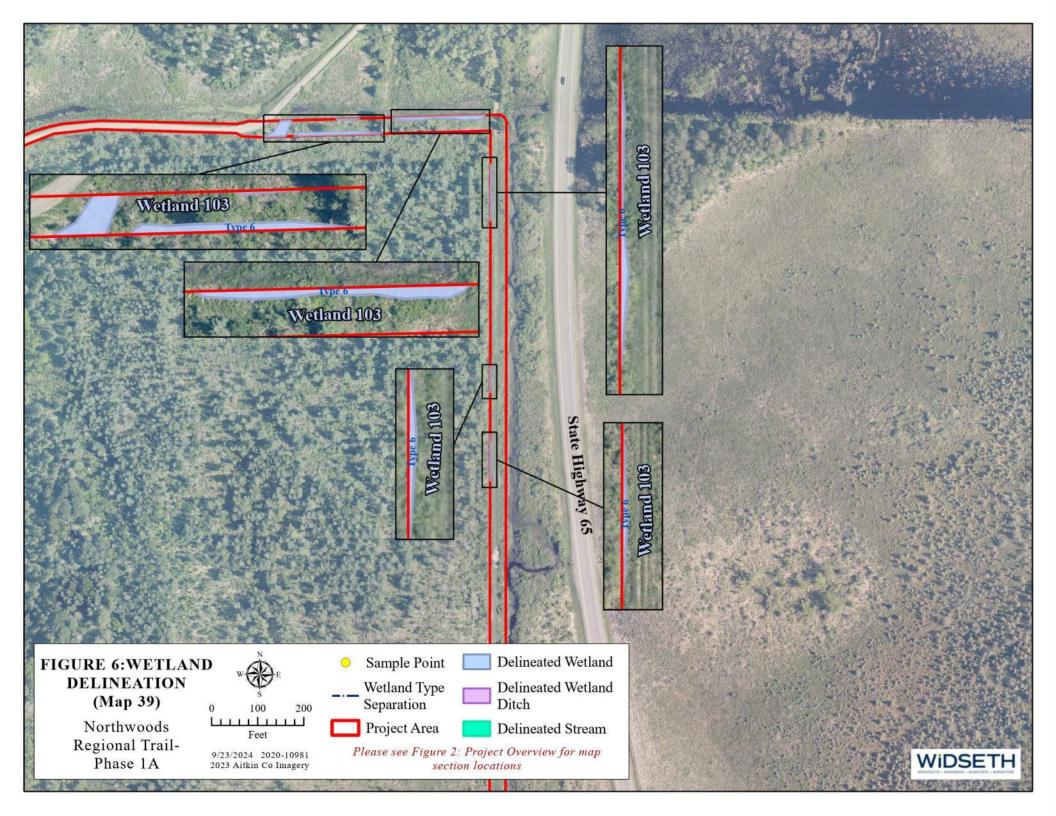


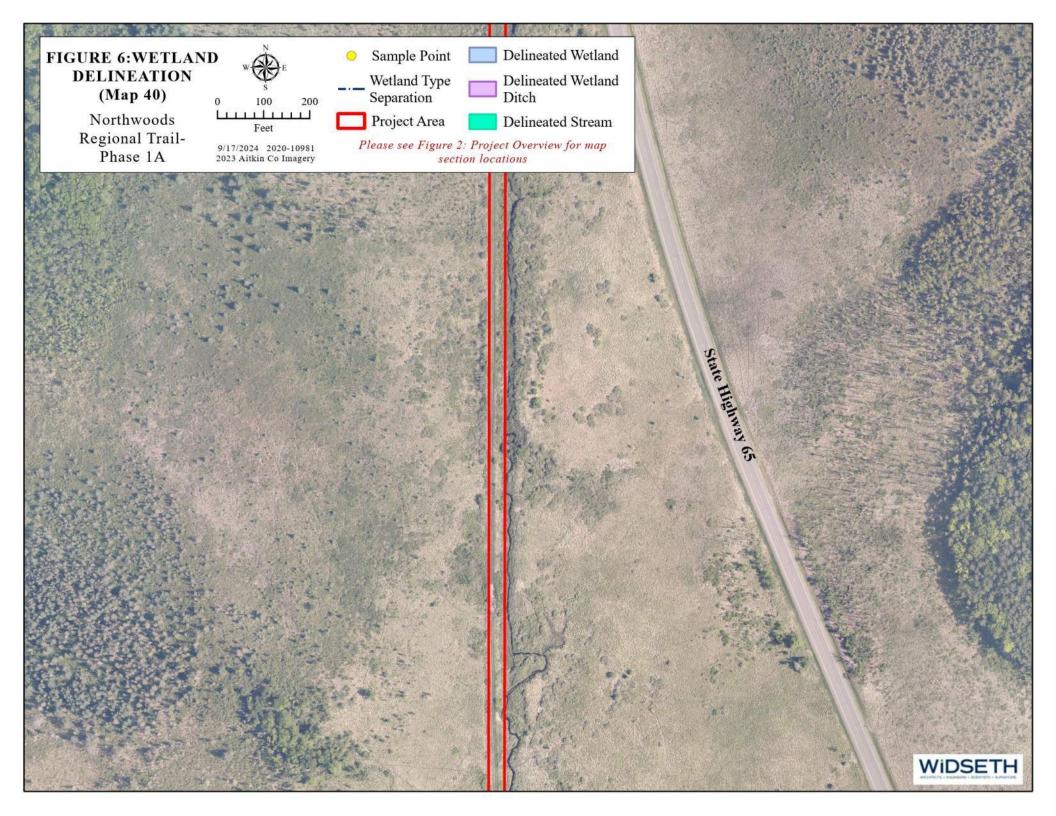


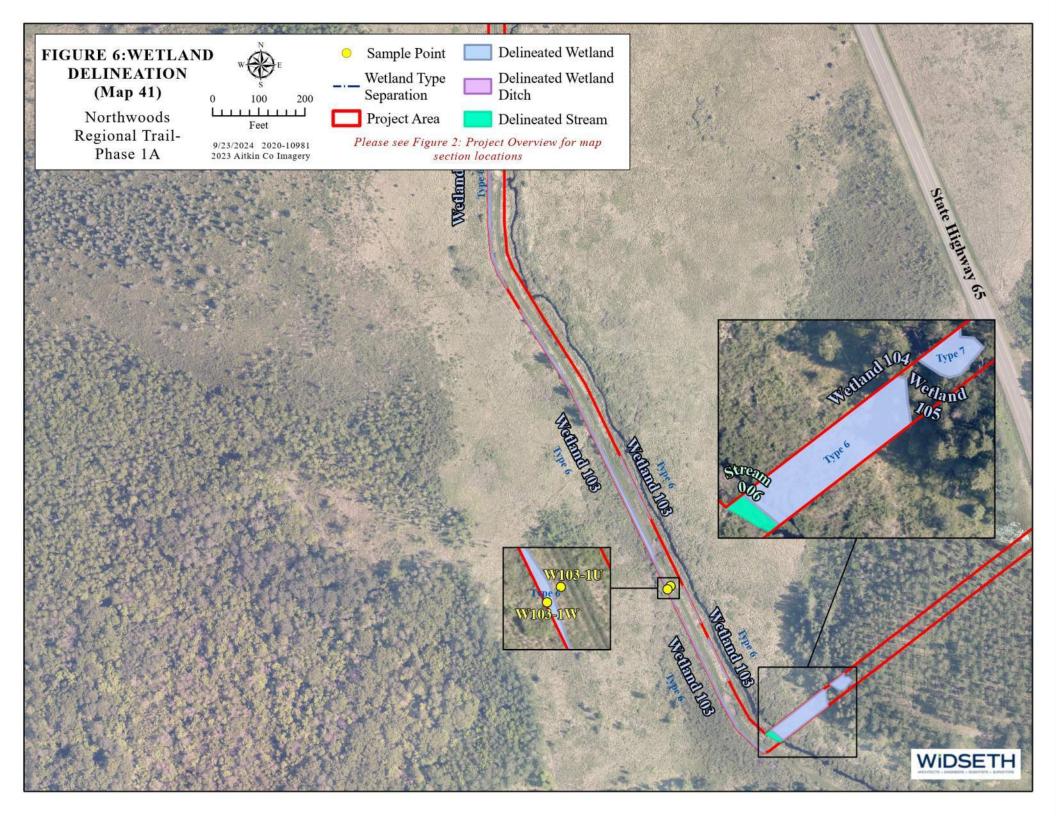


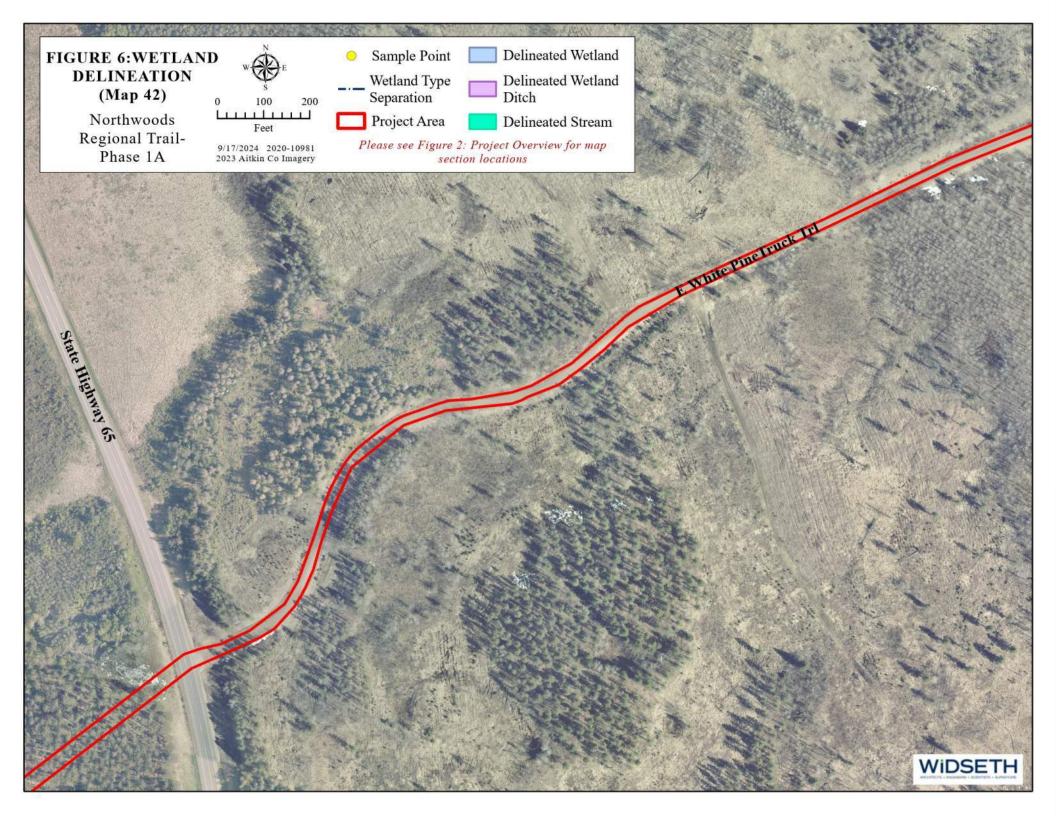


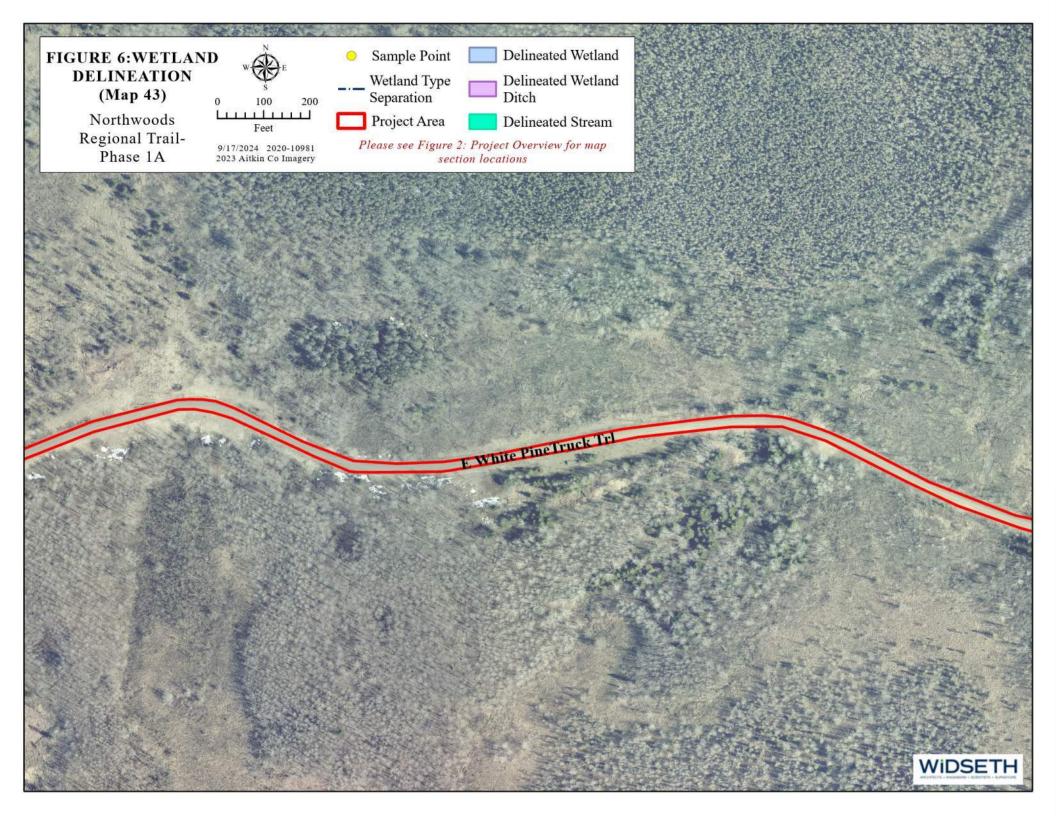


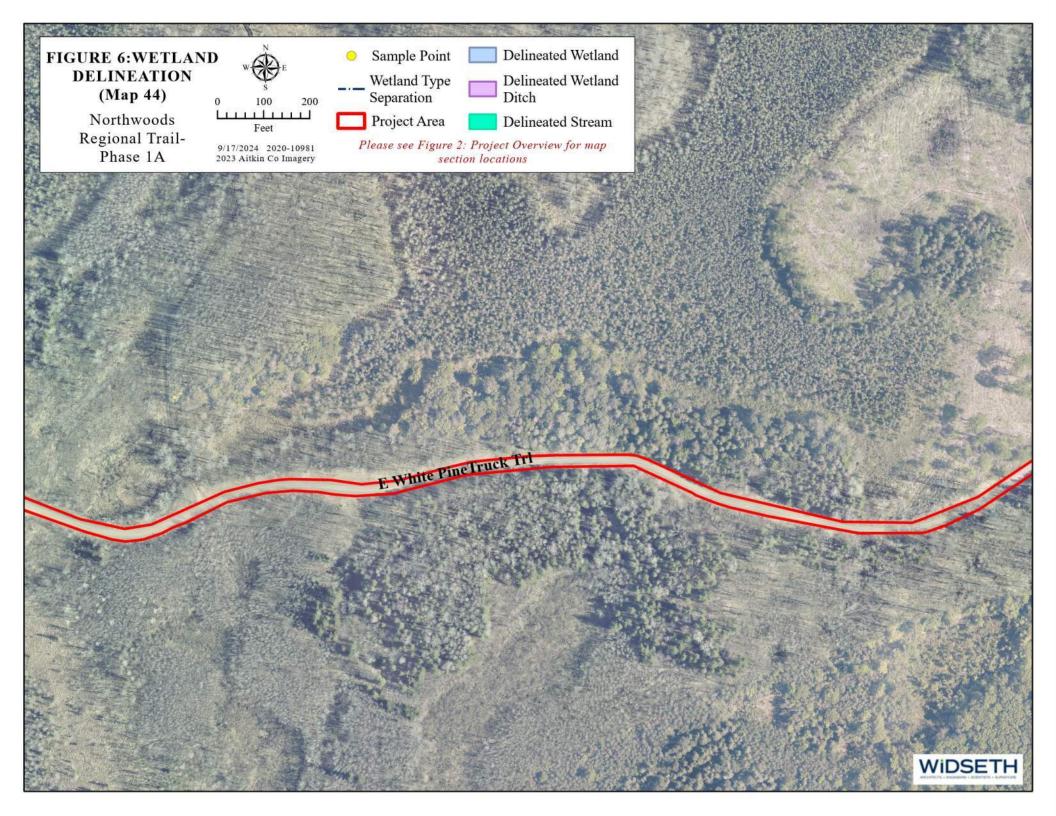


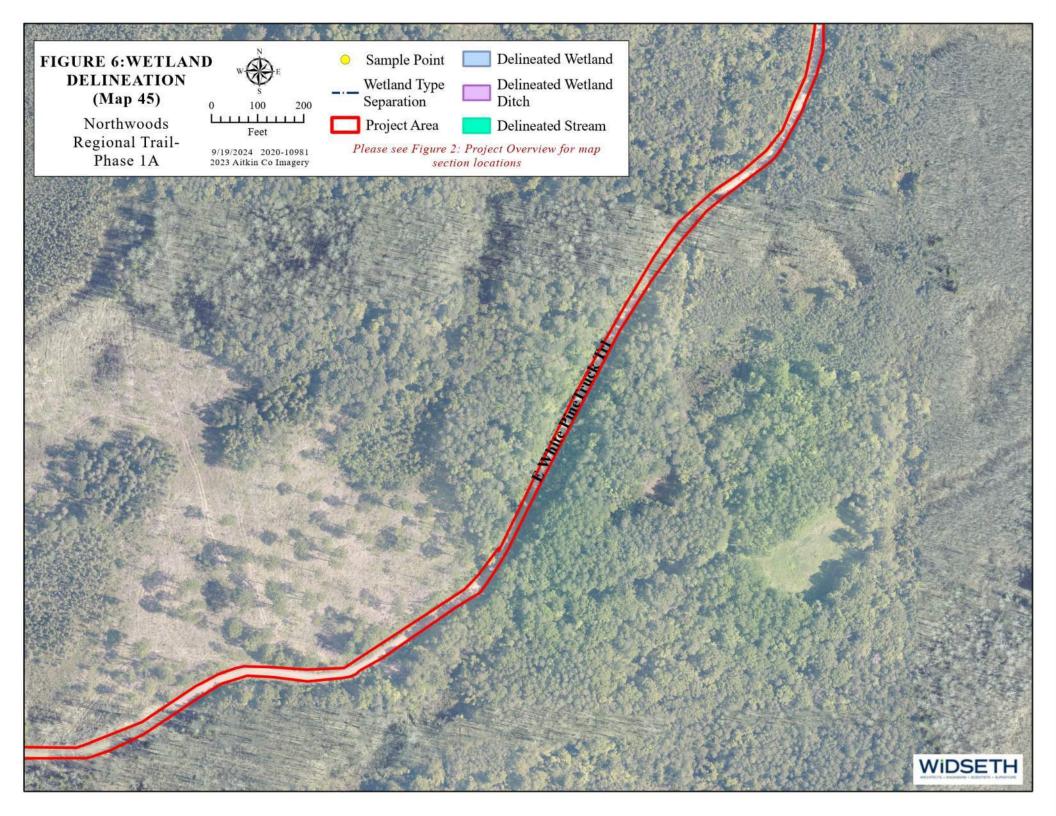


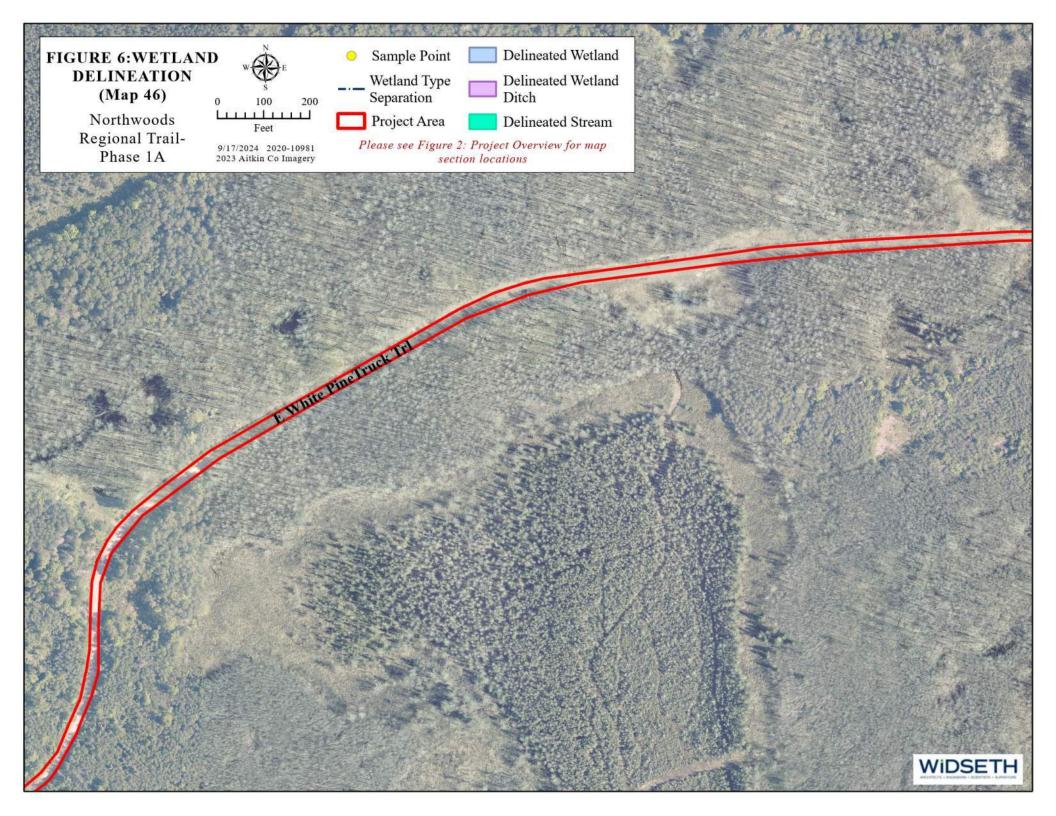


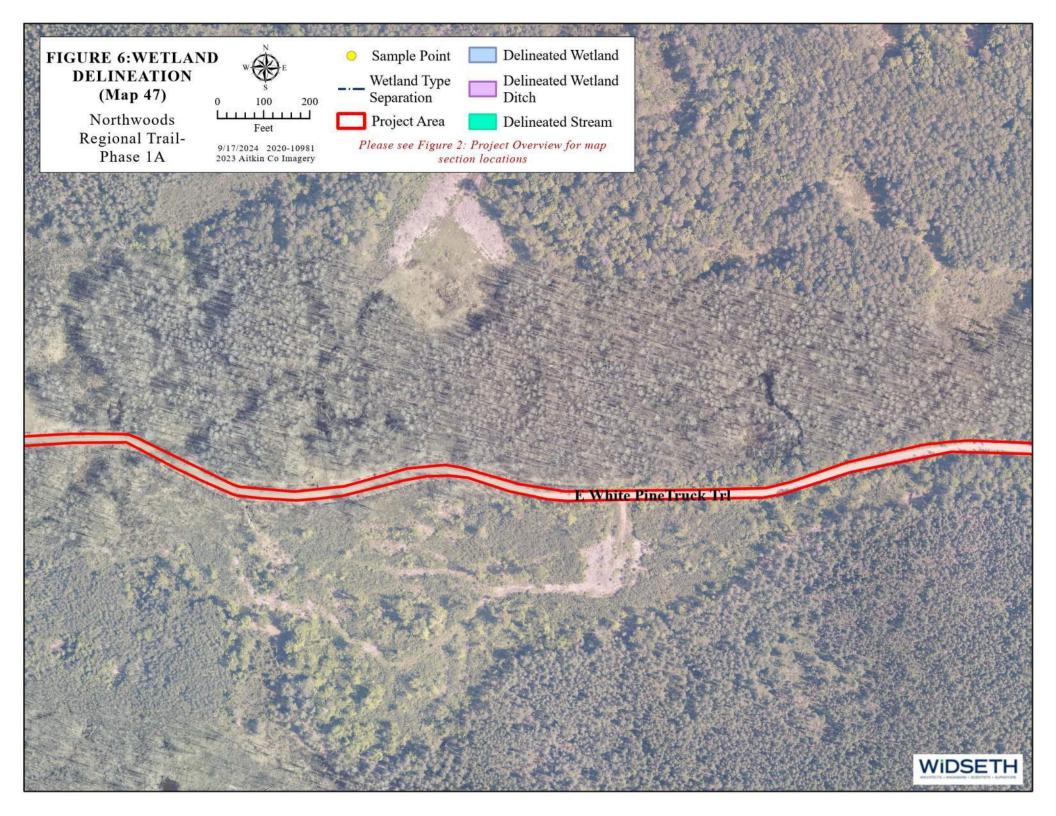


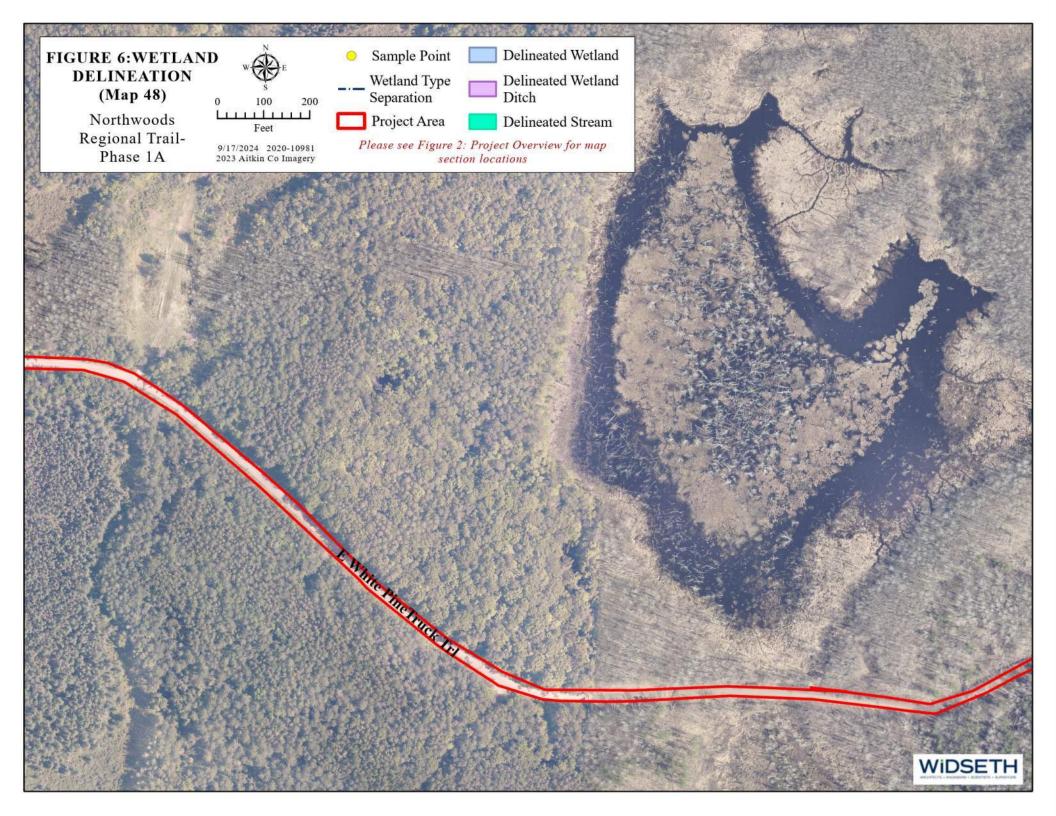


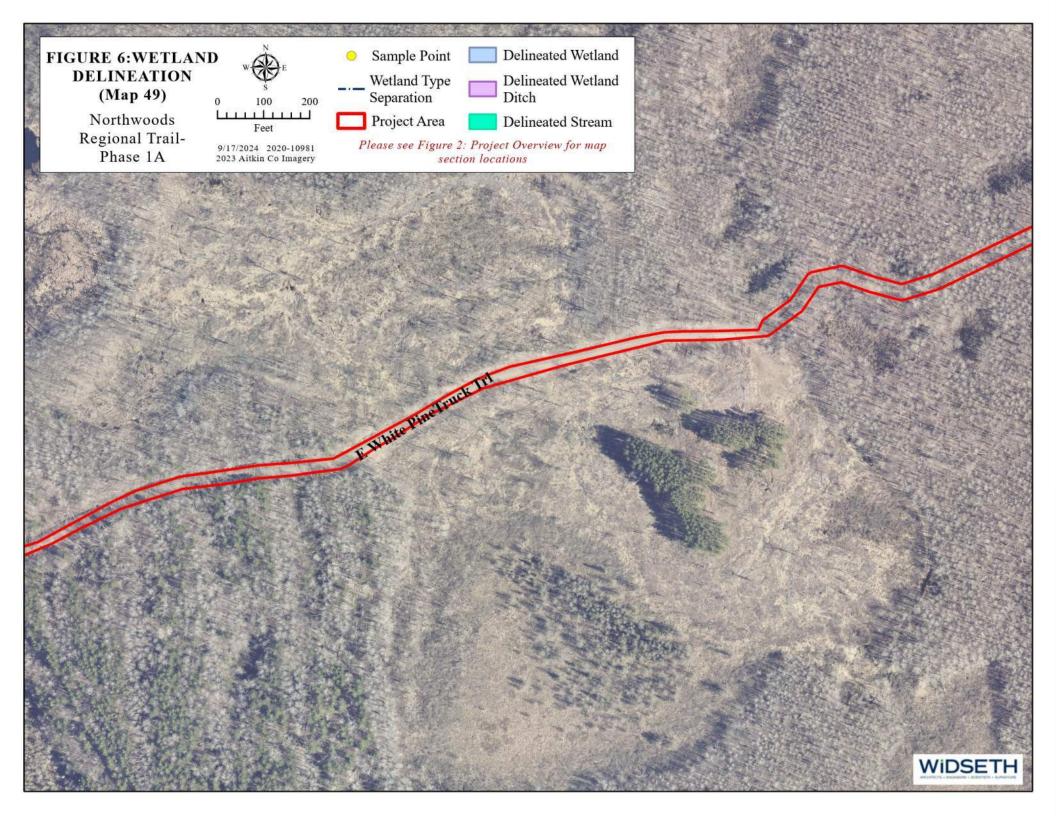


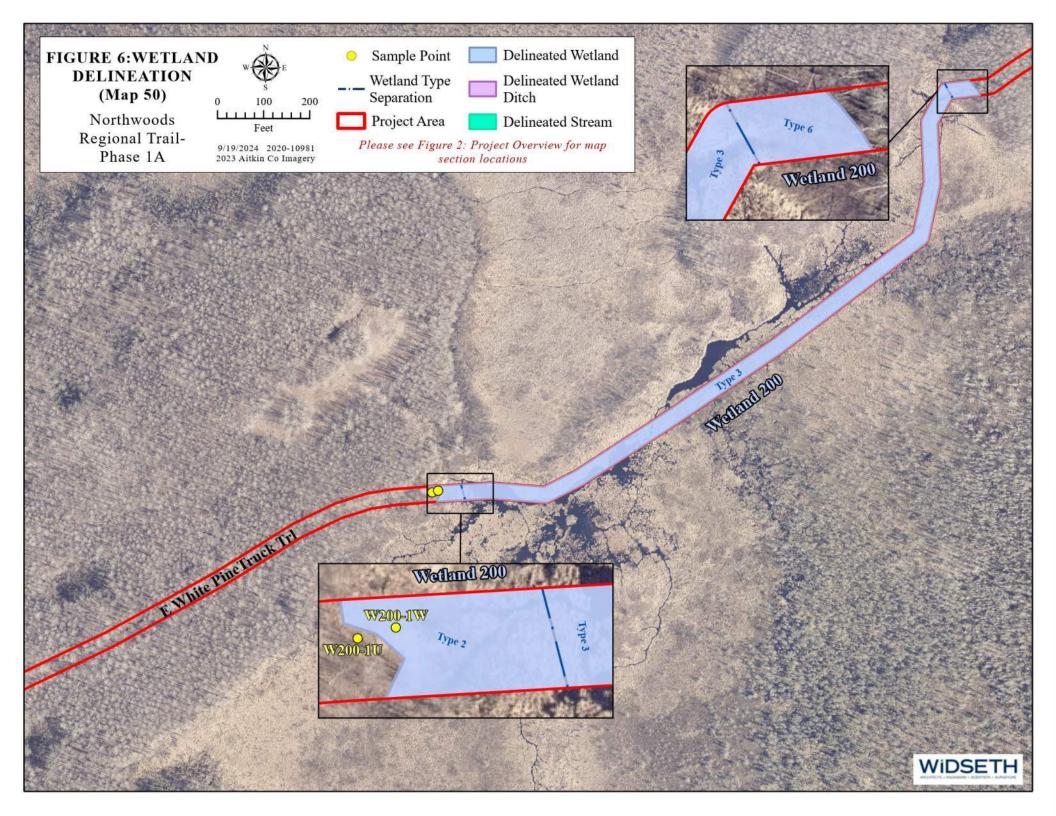


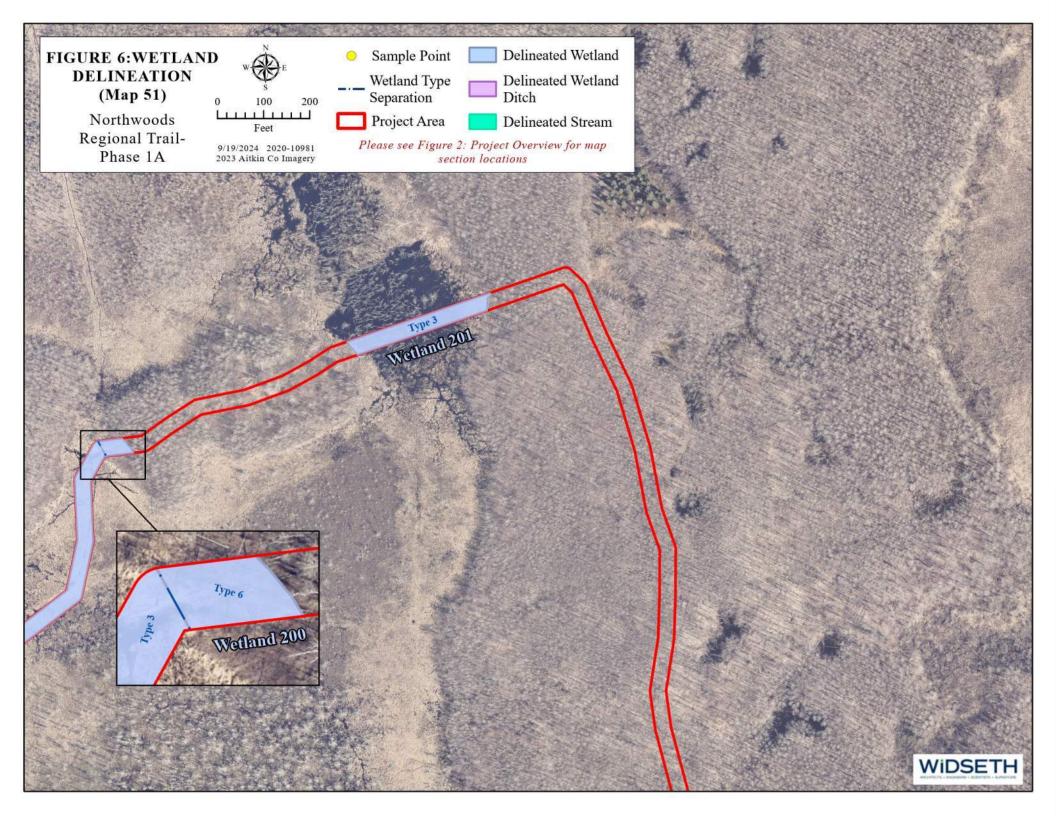


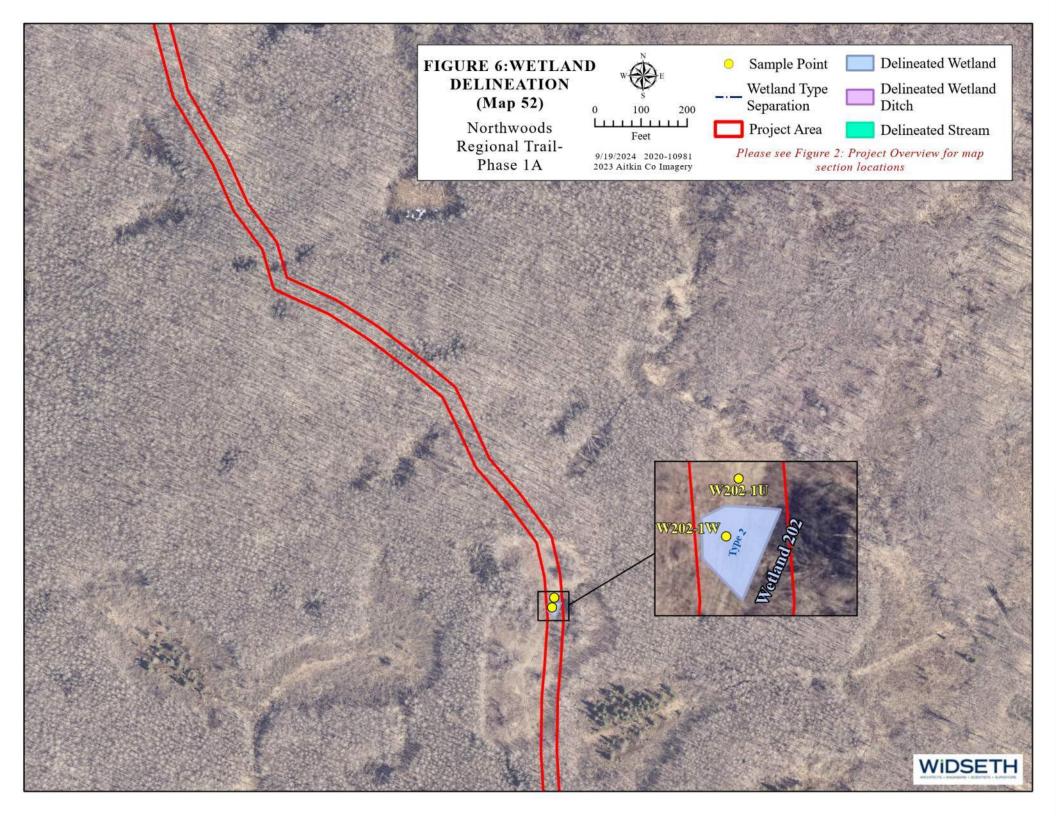


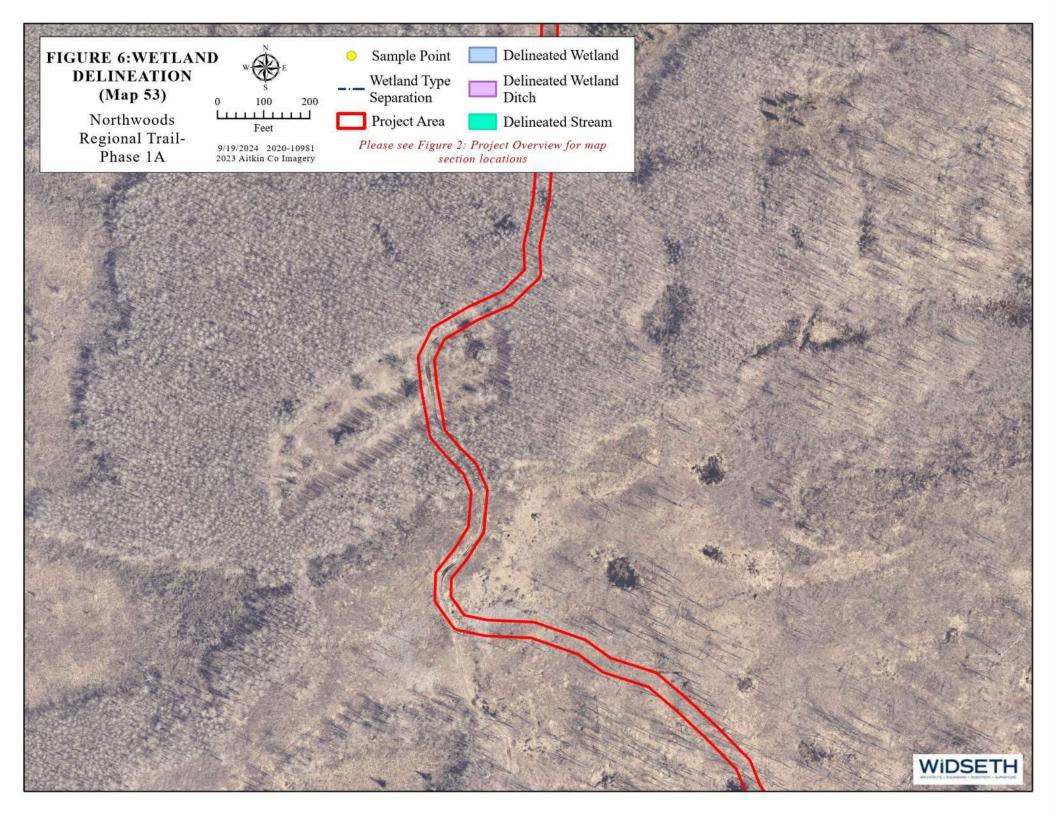


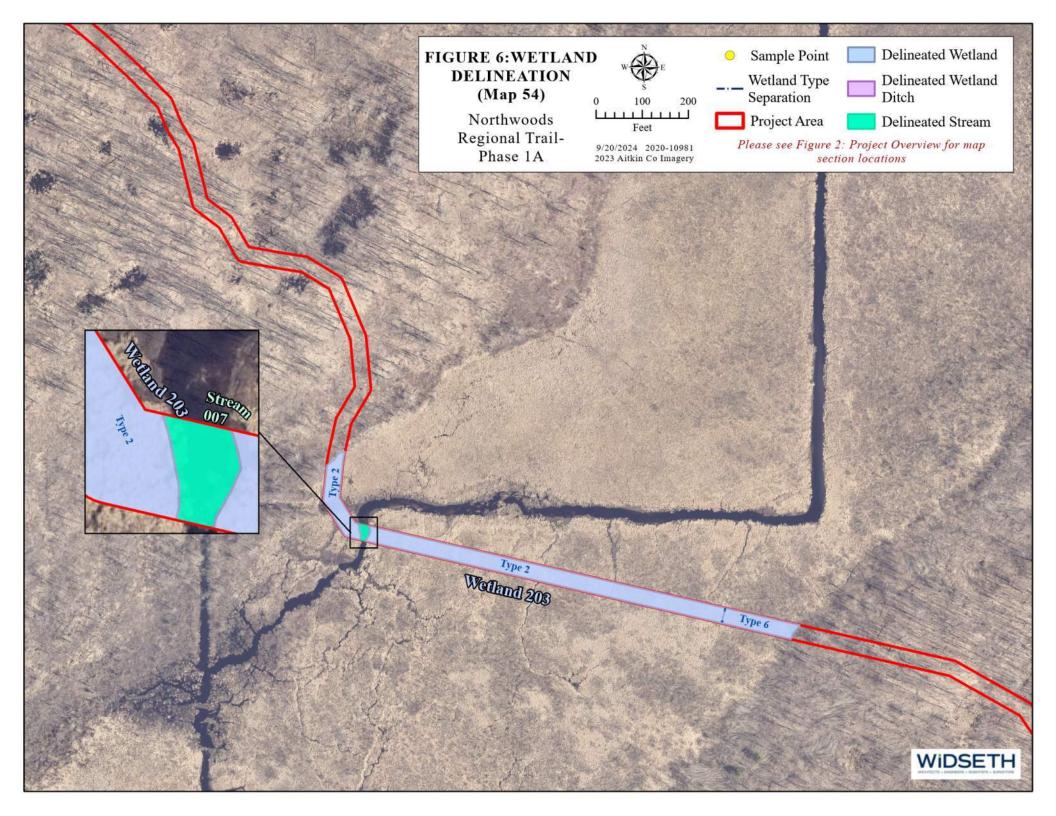


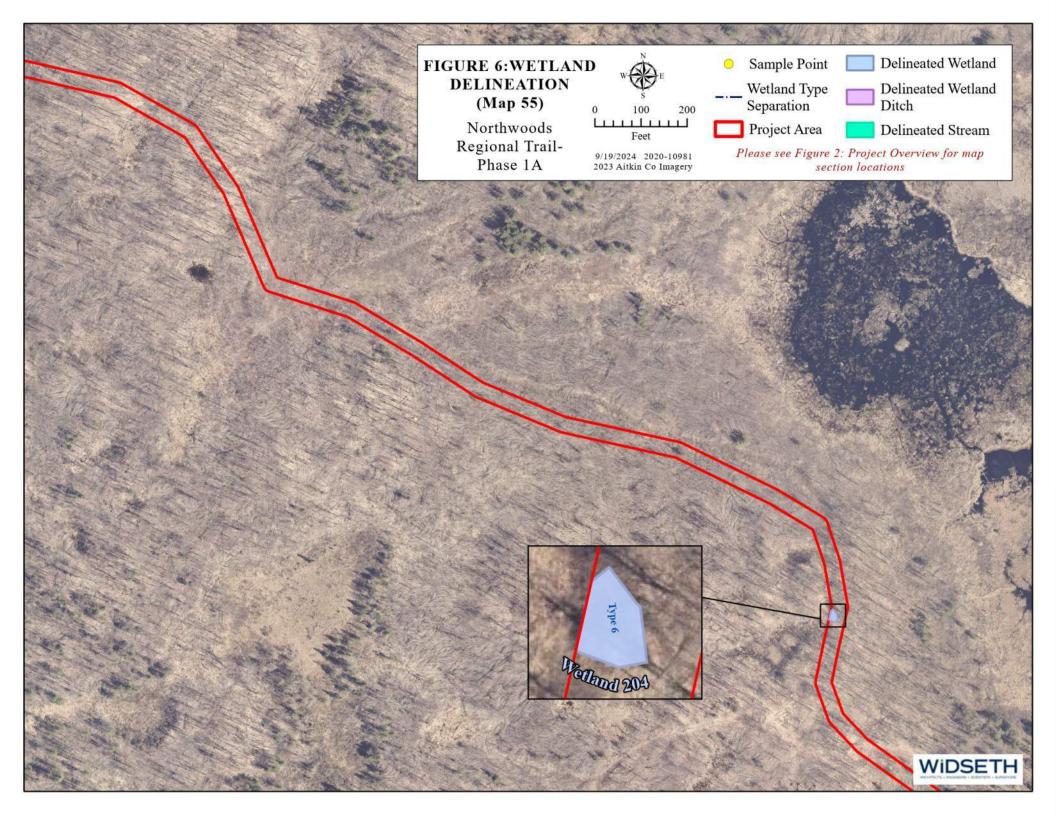


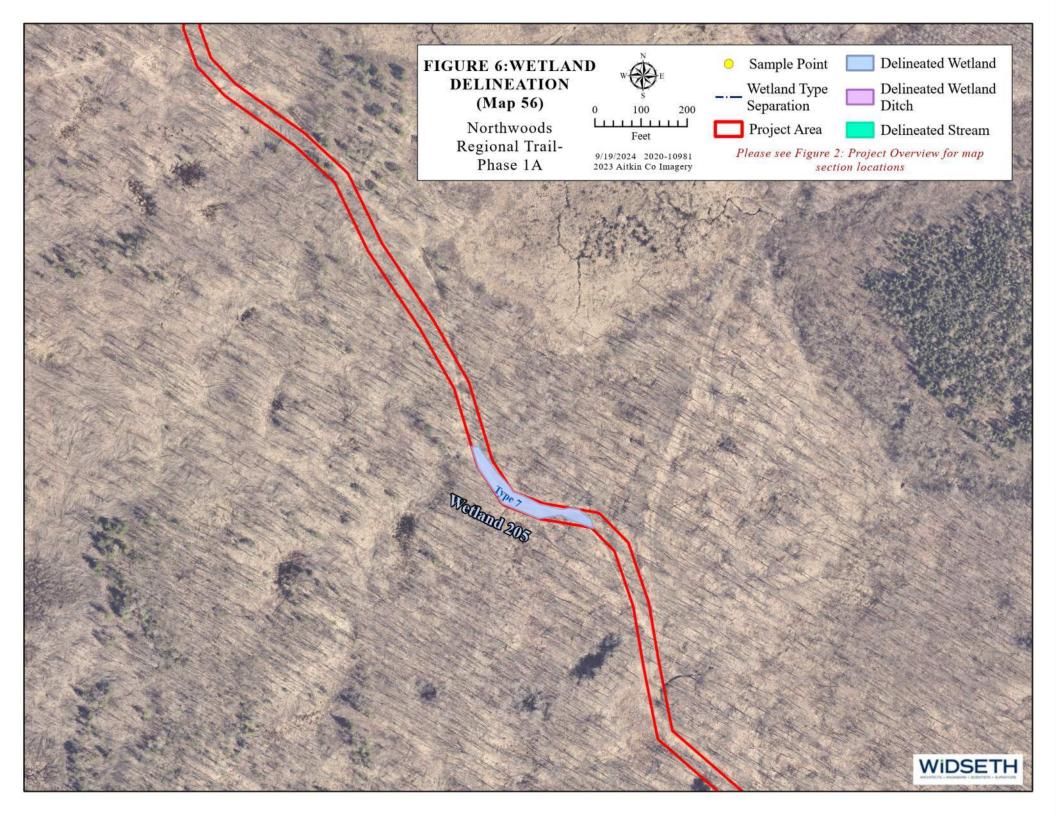


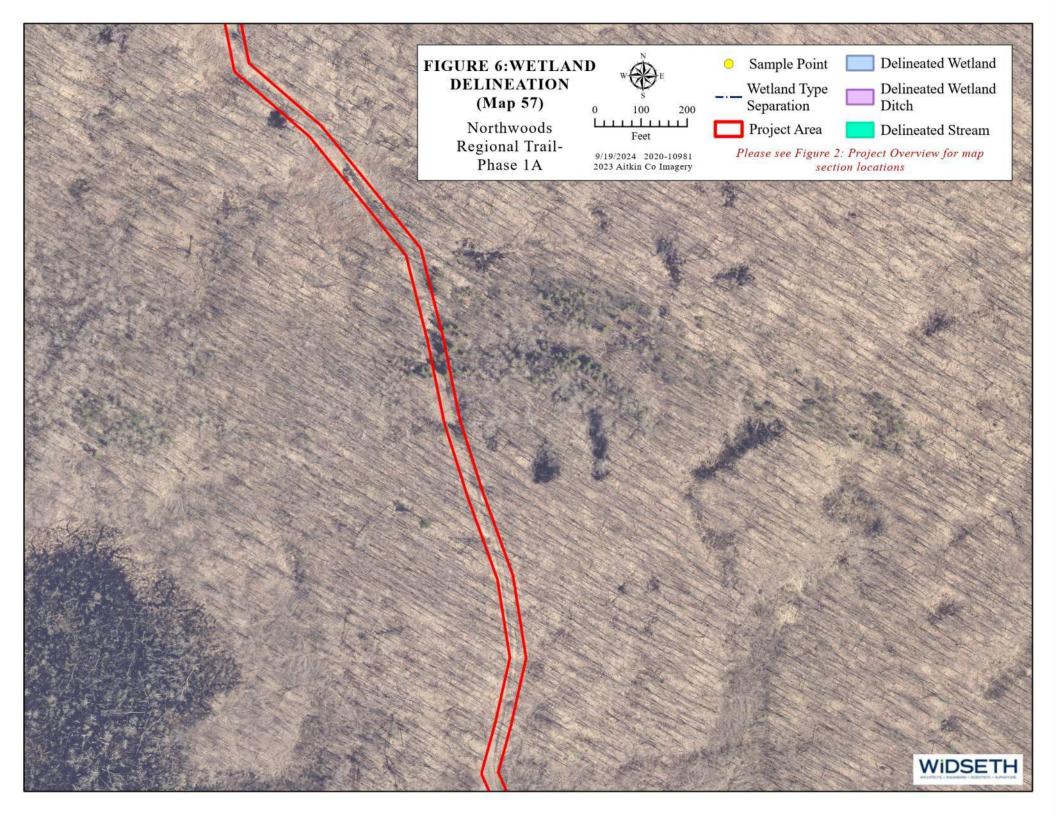


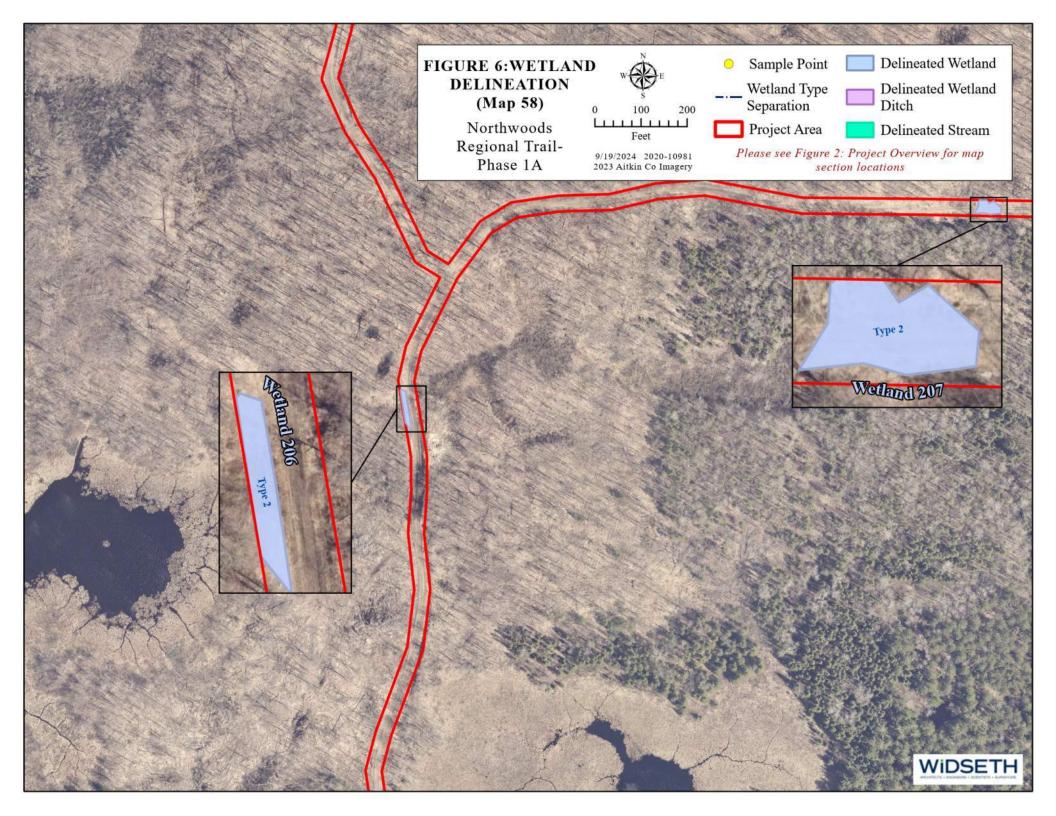


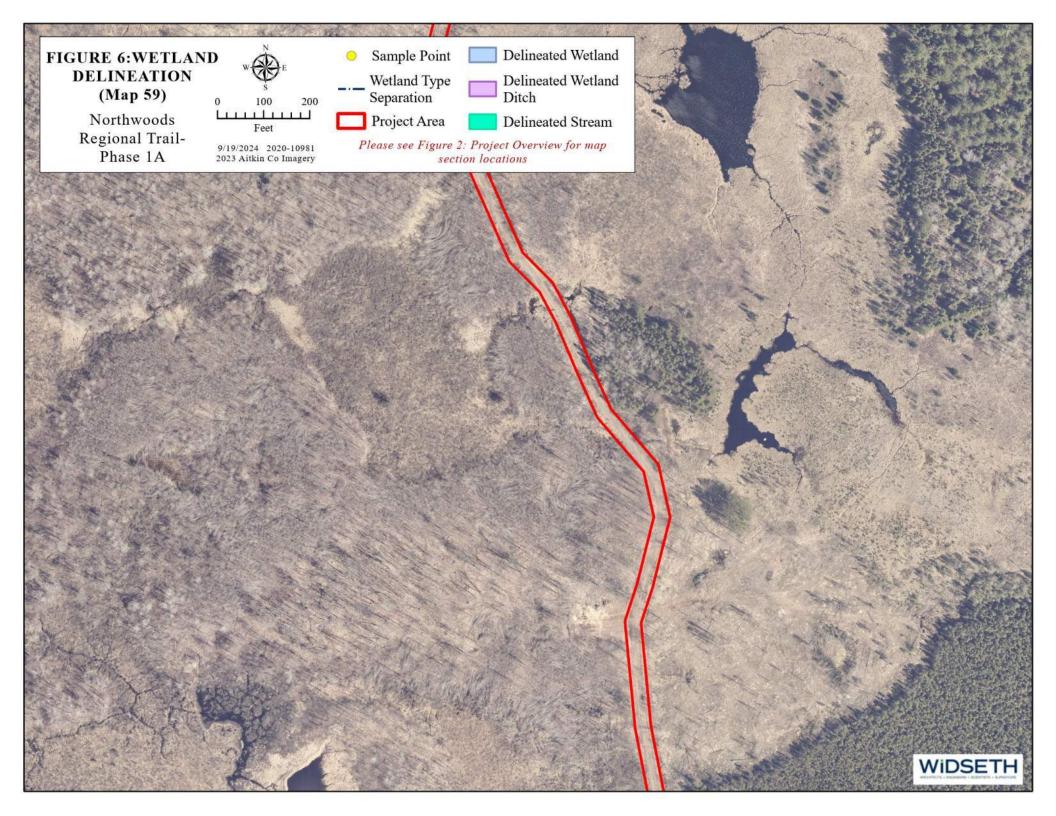


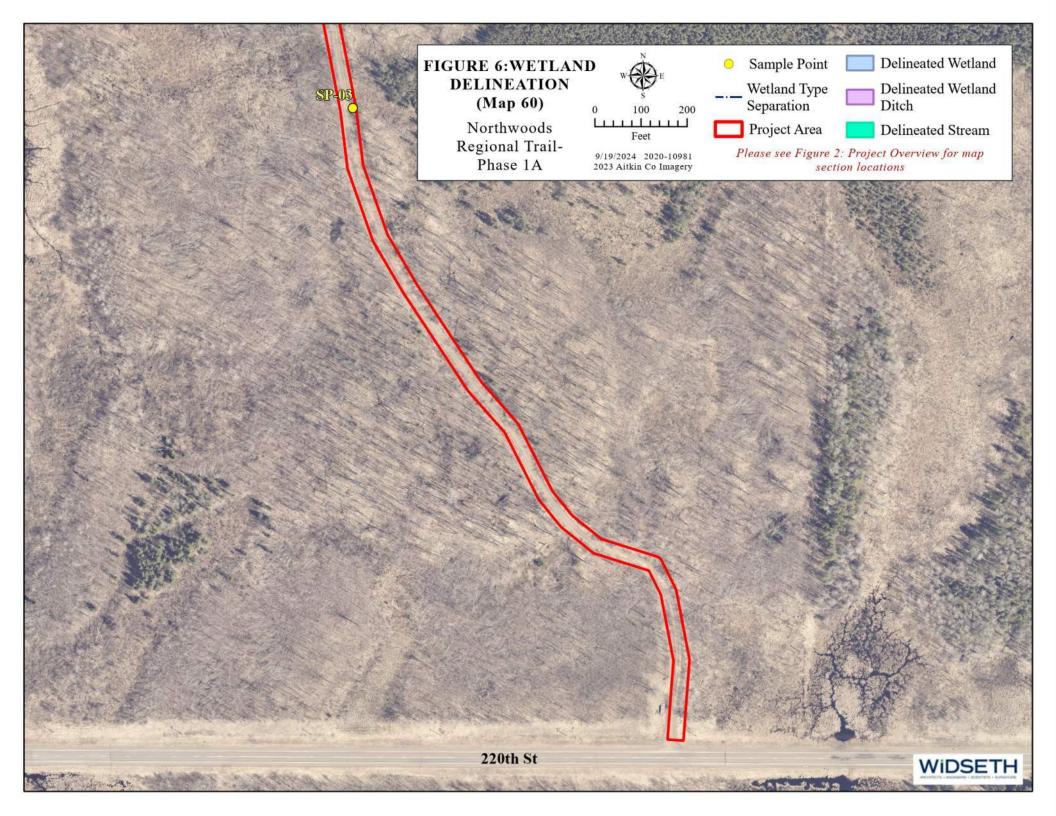


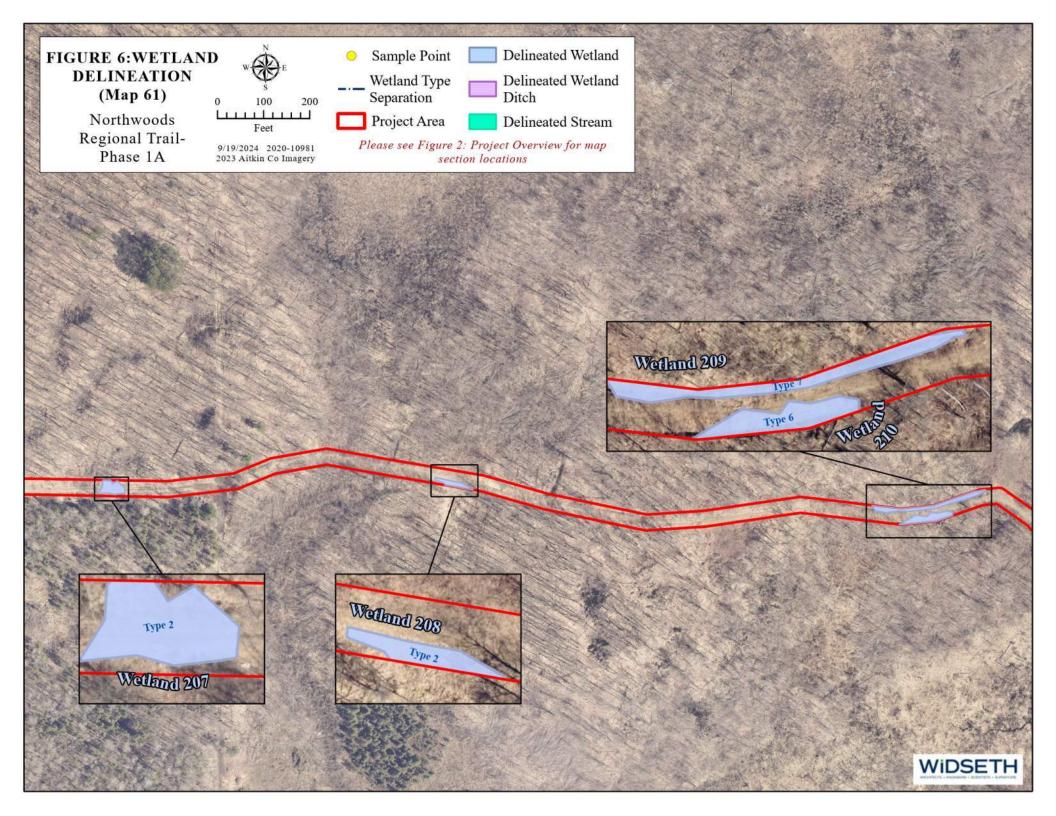


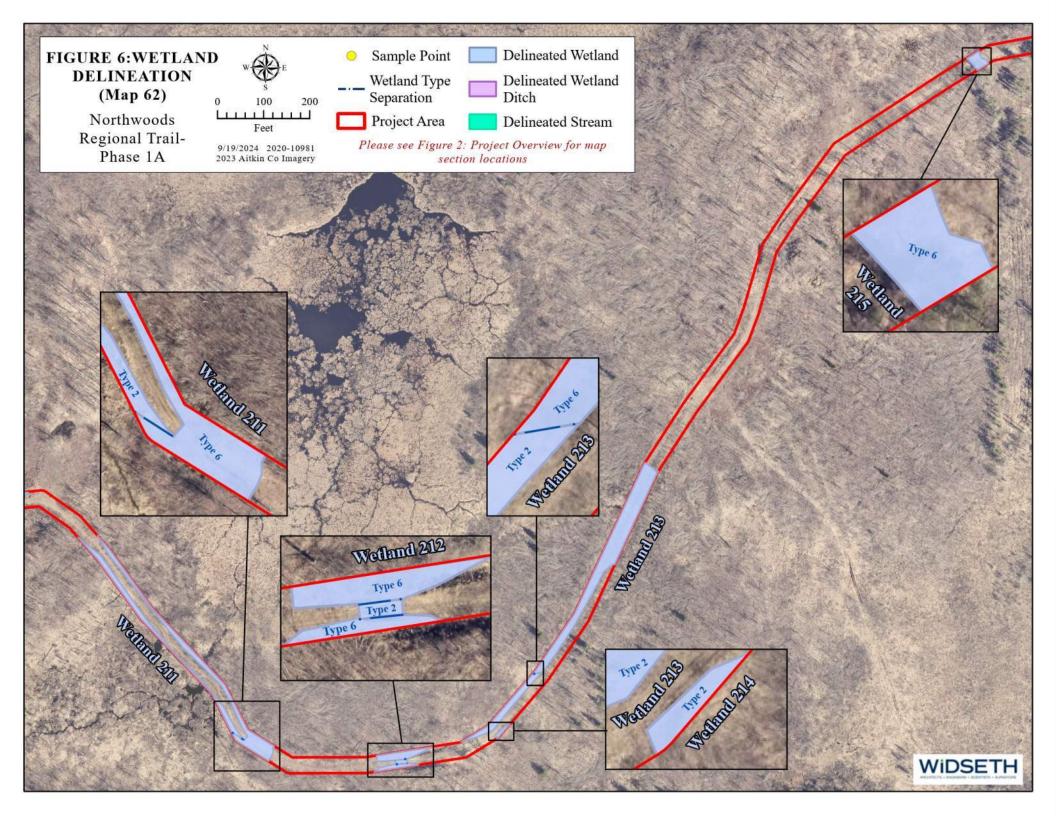


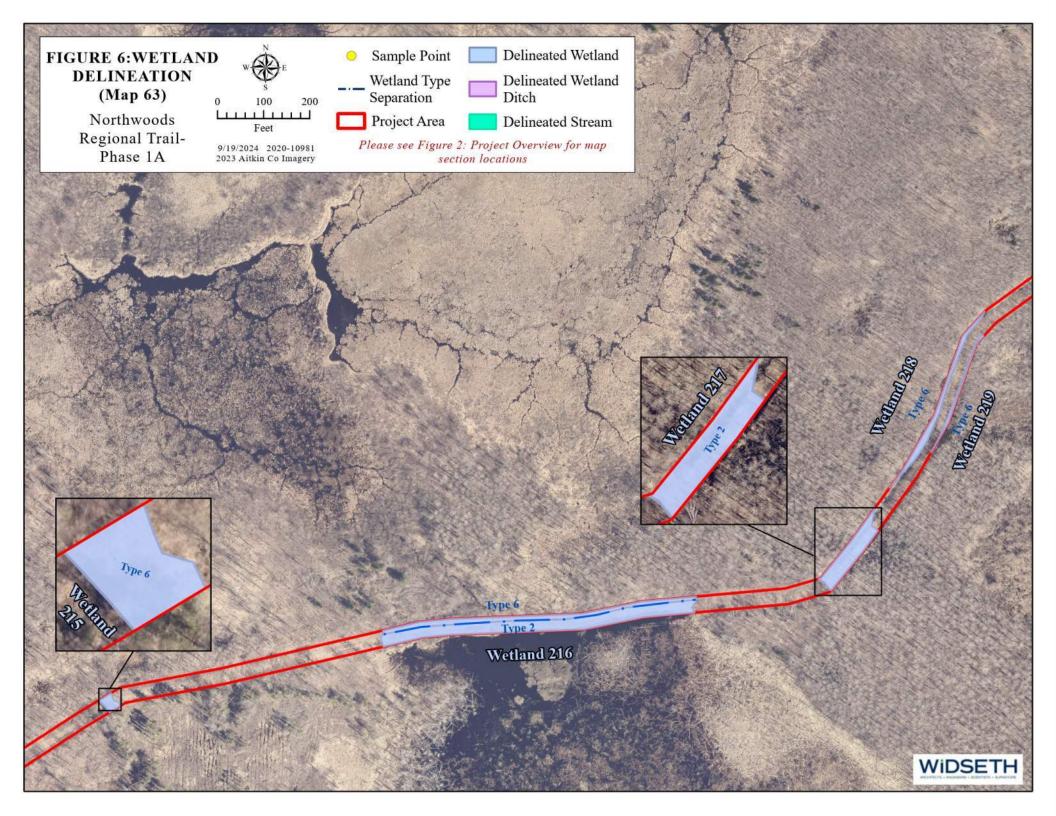


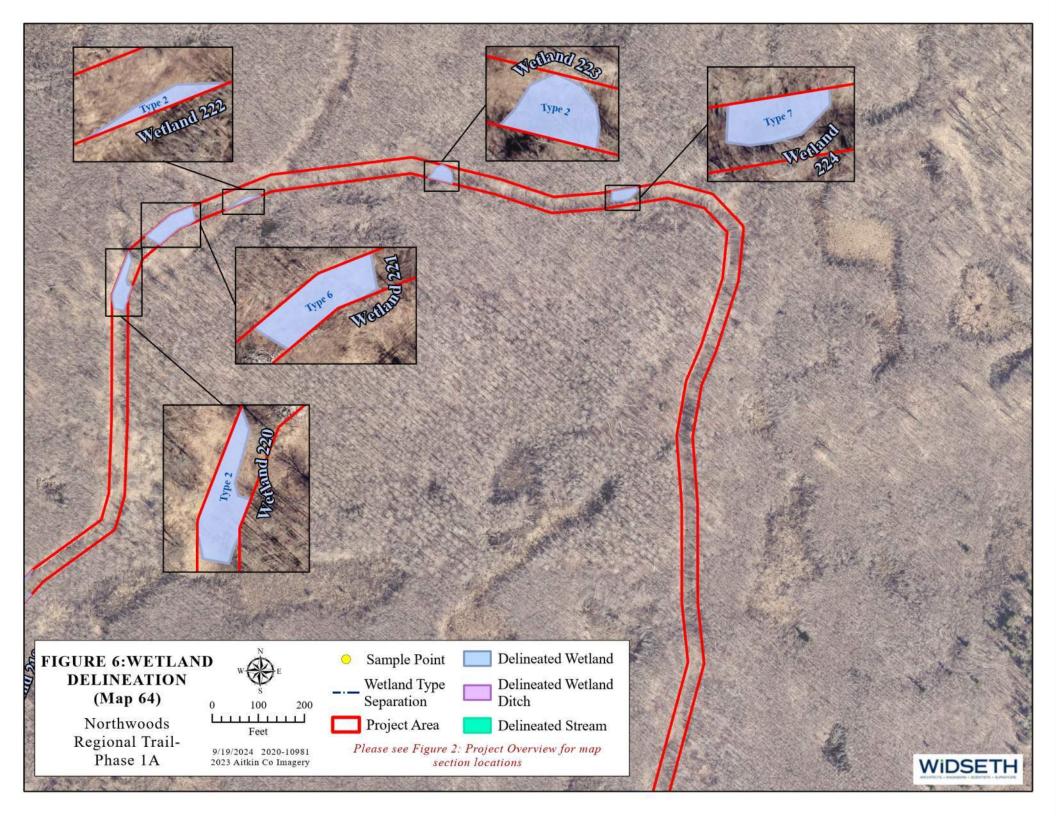


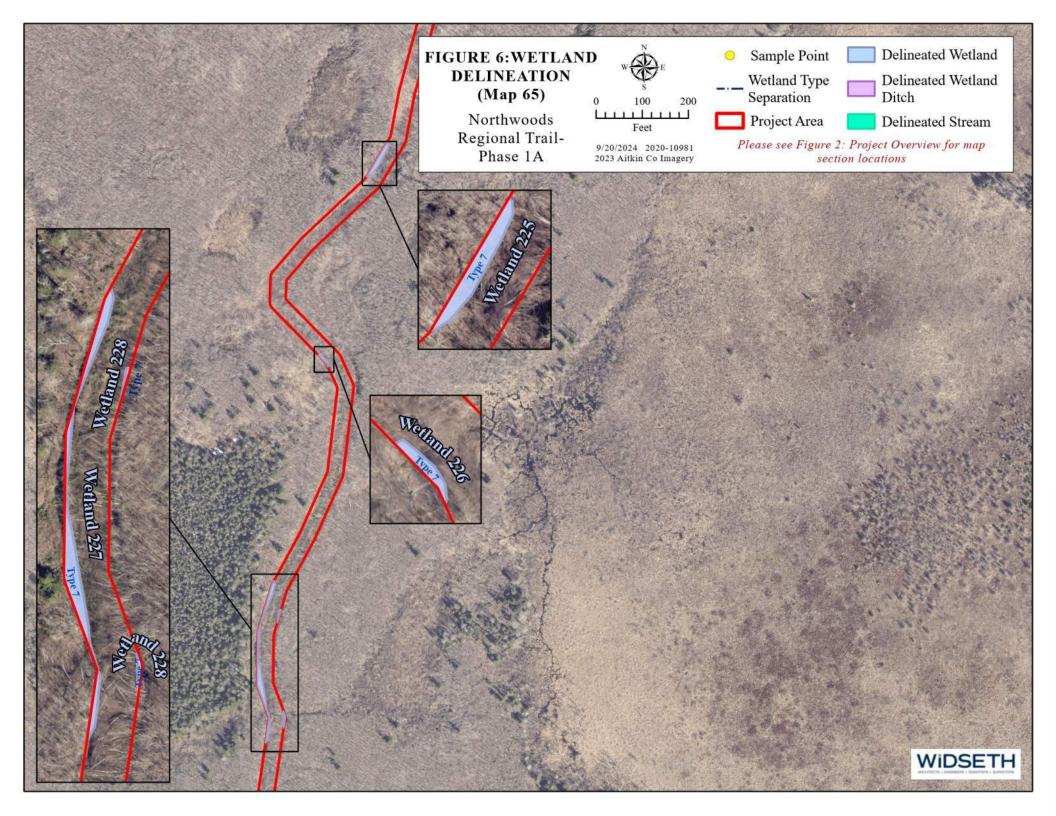


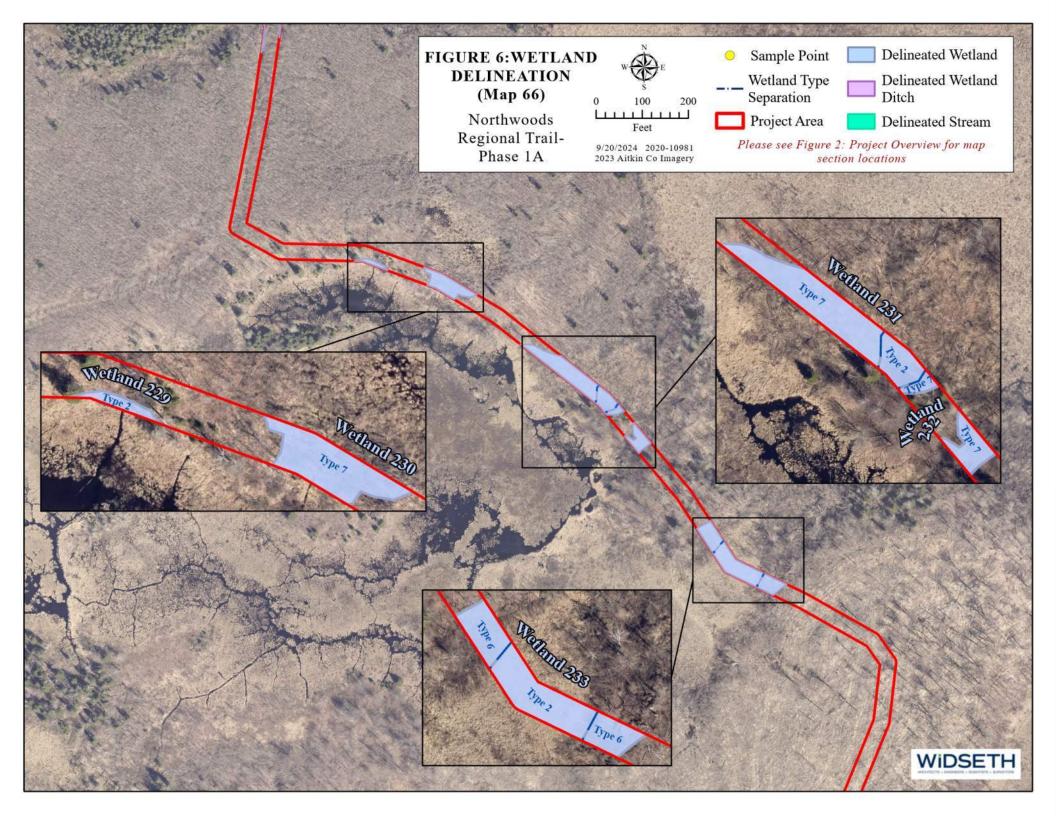


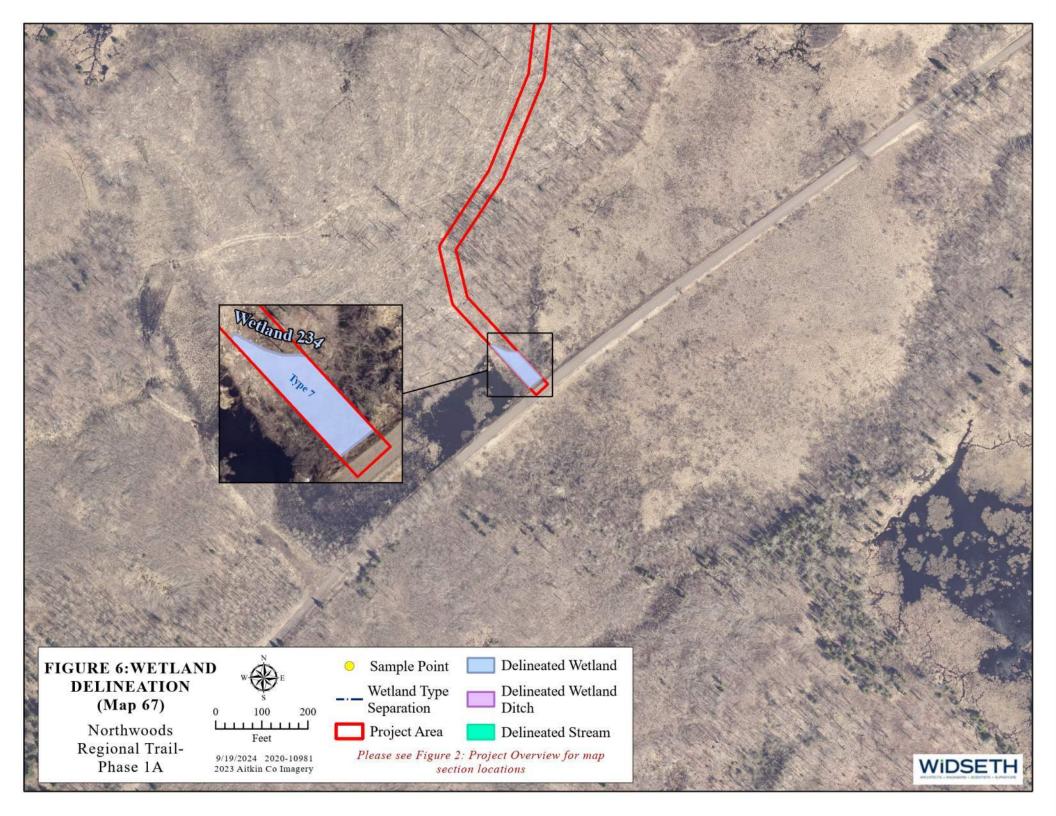












APPENDIX A

Wetland Determination Data Forms

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WETLAND DETERMINATION DATA SHEET – Northcentral and Northeast Region

See ERDC/EL TR-12-1; the proponent agency is CECW-CO-R

OMB Control #: 0710-0024, Exp: 11/30/2024 Requirement Control Symbol EXEMPT: (Authority: AR 335-15, paragraph 5-2a)

Project/Site: Northwoods Regional Trail - Phase 1A		City/County: Aitkin Co	ounty	Sampling Date: 6/24/2024			
Applicant/Owner: Aitkin County		State: MN Sampling Point: W1-1					
Investigator(s): Joey Goeden Section, Township, Range: 33, 45N, 25W							
Landform (hillside, terrace, etc.): hillside	Local r	elief (concave, conve		Slope %: 8-10			
Subregion (LRR or MLRA): LRR K	Lat: N/A	Long:		Datum: NAD 83			
Soil Map Unit Name: Oesterle fine sandy loa		5	NWI classification:	none			
Are climatic / hydrologic conditions on the site		Yes		explain in Remarks.)			
Are Vegetation X , Soil X , or Hydro			al Circumstances" prese				
	·		•				
Are Vegetation, Soil, or Hydro			, explain any answers in	·			
SUMMARY OF FINDINGS – Attach site map showing sampling point locations, transects, important features, etc.							
Hydrophytic Vegetation Present? Yes No _ X Is the Sa			Sampled Area				
Hydric Soil Present?	Yes No X	within a Wetland?	Yes	No X			
Wetland Hydrology Present?	Yes No X	If yes, optional Wet	and Site ID:				
Climatic conditions are wet for this time of the disturbed.				-			
HYDROLOGY							
Wetland Hydrology Indicators:			Secondary Indicators (n	minimum of two required)			
Primary Indicators (minimum of one is requir	ed; check all that apply)	Surface Soil Cracks (B6)					
Surface Water (A1)	Water-Stained Leaves (B	39)		Drainage Patterns (B10)			
High Water Table (A2)	Aquatic Fauna (B13)		Moss Trim Lines (B				
Saturation (A3)	Marl Deposits (B15)		Dry-Season Water	· ·			
Water Marks (B1)	Hydrogen Sulfide Odor (C	•	Crayfish Burrows (C	,			
Sediment Deposits (B2)	Oxidized Rhizospheres o						
Drift Deposits (B3)	Presence of Reduced Iro Recent Iron Reduction in	` ′	· · ·				
Algal Mat or Crust (B4) Iron Deposits (B5)	Shallow Aquitard (D3)						
Inundation Visible on Aerial Imagery (B7	Microtopographic Relief (D4)						
Sparsely Vegetated Concave Surface (B		FAC-Neutral Test (I					
Field Observations:	<u>, </u>			,			
Surface Water Present? Yes	No X Depth (inches):						
Water Table Present? Yes	No X Depth (inches):						
Saturation Present? Yes	No X Depth (inches):	Wetland	l Hydrology Present?	Yes No _X_			
(includes capillary fringe)							
Describe Recorded Data (stream gauge, mo	nitoring well, aerial photos, pre-	vious inspections), if a	ıvailable:				
Remarks:							
Tomano.							

VEGETATION – Use scientific names of plants. Sampling Point: W1-1U Absolute Dominant Indicator Tree Stratum (Plot size: 30') % Cover Species? Status **Dominance Test worksheet:** 1. **Number of Dominant Species** 2. That Are OBL, FACW, or FAC: 0 (A) 3. **Total Number of Dominant** 4. Species Across All Strata: 1 (B) 5. Percent of Dominant Species 6. That Are OBL, FACW, or FAC: 0.0% (A/B) Prevalence Index worksheet: =Total Cover Total % Cover of: Multiply by: Sapling/Shrub Stratum (Plot size: 15' OBL species x 1 = FACW species 30 x 2 = 1. 2. FAC species x 3 = 3. **FACU** species 75 x 4 = x 5 = UPL species 0 0 4. (A) 5. Column Totals: 105 360 (B) Prevalence Index = B/A = 6. **Hydrophytic Vegetation Indicators:** 1 - Rapid Test for Hydrophytic Vegetation =Total Cover Herb Stratum (Plot size: 5') 2 - Dominance Test is >50% **FACU** 3 - Prevalence Index is ≤3.01 1. Poa pratensis Yes 2. Phalaris arundinacea 20 **FACW** 4 - Morphological Adaptations¹ (Provide supporting data in Remarks or on a separate sheet) 10 3. Melilotus officinalis No **FACU** 10 **FACW** 4 Solidago gigantea No Problematic Hydrophytic Vegetation¹ (Explain) 5 5. Taraxacum officinale No **FACU** ¹Indicators of hydric soil and wetland hydrology must 6. be present, unless disturbed or problematic. 7. **Definitions of Vegetation Strata:** 8. Tree - Woody plants 3 in. (7.6 cm) or more in 9. diameter at breast height (DBH), regardless of height. 10. Sapling/shrub - Woody plants less than 3 in. DBH and greater than or equal to 3.28 ft (1 m) tall. 11. Herb - All herbaceous (non-woody) plants, regardless 105 =Total Cover of size, and woody plants less than 3.28 ft tall. Woody Vine Stratum (Plot size: 30' Woody vines - All woody vines greater than 3.28 ft in 1. 2. **Hydrophytic** 3. Vegetation Present? Yes No X =Total Cover Remarks: (Include photo numbers here or on a separate sheet.)

SOIL Sampling Point: W1-1U

Profile Description: (Describe to the dep	th needed to docu	ıment th	e indica	tor or co	nfirm the absence of indic	ators.)
Depth Matrix		x Feature				
(inches) Color (moist) %	Color (moist)	%	Type ¹	Loc ²	Texture	Remarks
0-4 10YR 3/2 100					Loamy/Clayey	
4-24 10YR 5/3 100					Loamy/Clayey	
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	_					
	_					
¹ Type: C=Concentration, D=Depletion, RM	=Reduced Matrix M	1S=Mask	ked Sand	Grains	² Location: PL=Por	e Lining M=Matrix
Hydric Soil Indicators:						blematic Hydric Soils ³ :
Histosol (A1)	Dark Surface (S7)				0) (LRR K, L, MLRA 149B)
Histic Epipedon (A2)	Polyvalue Belo	,	ce (S8) (I	RR R,		Redox (A16) (LRR K, L, R)
Black Histic (A3)	MLRA 149B		, , ,			eat or Peat (S3) (LRR K, L, R)
Hydrogen Sulfide (A4)	Thin Dark Surfa	ace (S9)	(LRR R	MLRA 1	49B) Polyvalue Belo	w Surface (S8) (LRR K, L)
Stratified Layers (A5)	High Chroma S	Sands (S	11) (LRF	R K, L)	Thin Dark Surf	ace (S9) (LRR K, L)
Depleted Below Dark Surface (A11)	Loamy Mucky I	Mineral (F1) (LRF	R K, L)	Iron-Manganes	se Masses (F12) (LRR K, L, R)
Thick Dark Surface (A12)	Loamy Gleyed	Matrix (F	F2)		Piedmont Floo	dplain Soils (F19) (MLRA 149B)
Mesic Spodic (A17)	Depleted Matrix	x (F3)			Red Parent Ma	aterial (F21) (outside MLRA 145
(MLRA 144A, 145, 149B)	Redox Dark Su		-			Dark Surface (F22)
Sandy Mucky Mineral (S1)	Depleted Dark				Other (Explain	in Remarks)
Sandy Gleyed Matrix (S4)	Redox Depress		3)		3	
Sandy Redox (S5)	Marl (F10) (LR		04) (84) =			ydrophytic vegetation and
Stripped Matrix (S6)	Red Parent Ma	iterial (F2	21) (MLF	(A 145)		rology must be present,
Destrictive Lever (if sheemed)					uniess distur	bed or problematic.
Restrictive Layer (if observed): Type:						
,, <u> </u>						
Depth (inches):					Hydric Soil Present?	Yes No _X
Remarks:						

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WETLAND DETERMINATION DATA SHEET – Northcentral and Northeast Region

See ERDC/EL TR-12-1; the proponent agency is CECW-CO-R

OMB Control #: 0710-0024, Exp: 11/30/2024 Requirement Control Symbol EXEMPT: (Authority: AR 335-15, paragraph 5-2a)

Project/Site: Northwoods Regional Trail - Phase 1A	City/County: Aitkin County Sampling Date: 6/24/2024						
Applicant/Owner: Aitkin County	State: MN Sampling Point: W1-1W						
nvestigator(s): Joey Goeden Section, Township, Range: 33, 45N, 25W							
Landform (hillside, terrace, etc.): depression Local i	relief (concave, convex, none): concave Slope %: 1-2						
Subregion (LRR or MLRA): LRR K Lat: N/A	Long: N/A Datum: NAD 83						
Soil Map Unit Name: Oesterle fine sandy loam	NWI classification: none						
Are climatic / hydrologic conditions on the site typical for this time of year?	Yes No X (If no, explain in Remarks.)						
Are Vegetation, SoilX_, or Hydrologysignificantly distur							
Are Vegetation, Soil, or Hydrologysignificantly disturbed? Are Normal Circumstances present? Yes _XNo							
SUMMARY OF FINDINGS – Attach site map showing sampling point locations, transects, important features, etc.							
Hydrophytic Vegetation Present? Yes X No Is the Sampled Area							
Hydric Soil Present? Yes X No	within a Wetland? Yes X No						
Wetland Hydrology Present? Yes X No	If yes, optional Wetland Site ID:						
HADBOI UCA							
HYDROLOGY							
Wetland Hydrology Indicators:	Secondary Indicators (minimum of two required)						
Primary Indicators (minimum of one is required; check all that apply) V. Surface Water (A1) Water Steined Leaves (I	Surface Soil Cracks (B6) Drainage Patterns (B10)						
X Surface Water (A1) Water-Stained Leaves (I X High Water Table (A2) Aquatic Fauna (B13)	(B9) Drainage Patterns (B10) Moss Trim Lines (B16)						
X Saturation (A3) Marl Deposits (B15)	Dry-Season Water Table (C2)						
Water Marks (B1) Hydrogen Sulfide Odor (
Sediment Deposits (B2) Oxidized Rhizospheres							
Drift Deposits (B3) Presence of Reduced Iro							
Algal Mat or Crust (B4) Recent Iron Reduction in							
Iron Deposits (B5) Thin Muck Surface (C7)	Shallow Aquitard (D3)						
Inundation Visible on Aerial Imagery (B7) Other (Explain in Remar							
Sparsely Vegetated Concave Surface (B8)	X FAC-Neutral Test (D5)						
Field Observations: Surface Water Present? Yes X No Depth (inches):	. ,						
Surface Water Present? Yes X No Depth (inches): Water Table Present? Yes X No Depth (inches):							
Saturation Present? Yes X No Depth (inches):							
(includes capillary fringe)							
Describe Recorded Data (stream gauge, monitoring well, aerial photos, pre	evious inspections), if available:						
<u> </u>							
Remarks:							

VEGETATION – Use scientific names of plants. Sampling Point: W1-1W Absolute Dominant Indicator Tree Stratum (Plot size: 30') % Cover Species? Status **Dominance Test worksheet:** 1. **Number of Dominant Species** 2. That Are OBL, FACW, or FAC: 2 (A) 3. **Total Number of Dominant** 4. Species Across All Strata: 2 (B) 5. Percent of Dominant Species 6. That Are OBL, FACW, or FAC: 100.0% (A/B) Prevalence Index worksheet: =Total Cover Total % Cover of: Multiply by: Sapling/Shrub Stratum (Plot size: 15' OBL species x 1 = 50 FACW species 51 x 2 = 102 1. 2. FAC species x 3 = 3. **FACU** species 0 x 4 = UPL species x 5 = 0 0 4. 5. 101 (A) Column Totals: 152 (B) Prevalence Index = B/A = 6. **Hydrophytic Vegetation Indicators:** 1 - Rapid Test for Hydrophytic Vegetation =Total Cover Herb Stratum (Plot size: 5') X 2 - Dominance Test is >50% X 3 - Prevalence Index is ≤3.01 1. Juncus balticus Yes OBL 2. Phalaris arundinacea 30 Yes **FACW** 4 - Morphological Adaptations¹ (Provide supporting data in Remarks or on a separate sheet) 3. Equisetum pratense 15 No **FACW** 3 **FACW** 4. Solidago gigantea No Problematic Hydrophytic Vegetation¹ (Explain) 2 5. Eupatorium perfoliatum No **FACW** ¹Indicators of hydric soil and wetland hydrology must 6. Fraxinus pennsylvanica 1 **FACW** be present, unless disturbed or problematic. 7. **Definitions of Vegetation Strata:** 8. Tree - Woody plants 3 in. (7.6 cm) or more in 9. diameter at breast height (DBH), regardless of height. 10. Sapling/shrub - Woody plants less than 3 in. DBH and greater than or equal to 3.28 ft (1 m) tall. 11. Herb - All herbaceous (non-woody) plants, regardless 101 =Total Cover of size, and woody plants less than 3.28 ft tall. Woody Vine Stratum (Plot size: 30' Woody vines - All woody vines greater than 3.28 ft in 1. 2. Hydrophytic 3. Vegetation Yes X Present? No =Total Cover Remarks: (Include photo numbers here or on a separate sheet.)

SOIL Sampling Point: W1-1W

Profile Desci	ription: (Describe to	the dep				tor or co	onfirm the absence o	f indicators.)	
Depth	Matrix			k Featur					
(inches)	Color (moist)	%	Color (moist)	%	Type ¹	Loc ²	Texture	Rer	marks
0-3	10YR 2/1	100					Mucky Peat		_
3-14	10YR 5/2	80	10YR 4/6	20	С	M	Loamy/Clayey	Prominent redo	ox concentrations
									_
¹ Type: C=Co	ncentration, D=Deple	tion, RM	=Reduced Matrix, M	1S=Mas	ked Sand	d Grains.	² Location: P	L=Pore Lining, M=	Matrix.
Hydric Soil II								or Problematic Hy	
Histosol (•		Dark Surface (ıck (A10) (LRR K ,	·
	pedon (A2)		Polyvalue Belo		ce (S8) (LRR R,		rairie Redox (A16)	
Black His			MLRA 149B)					icky Peat or Peat (
	Sulfide (A4)		Thin Dark Surfa		-			e Below Surface (\$	
	Layers (A5)	(111)	High Chroma S	-				k Surface (S9) (LF	·
	Below Dark Surface rk Surface (A12)	(A11)	Loamy Mucky I Loamy Gleyed			K K, L)		-	F12) (LRR K, L, R) (F19) (MLRA 149B)
	odic (A17)		X Depleted Matrix		12)				(outside MLRA 145)
	A 144A, 145, 149B)		Redox Dark Su		:6)			allow Dark Surface	
	ucky Mineral (S1)		Depleted Dark		-			xplain in Remarks	
	eyed Matrix (S4)		Redox Depress					,	,
Sandy Re			 Marl (F10) (LR	•	,		³ Indicato	rs of hydrophytic v	regetation and
	Matrix (S6)		Red Parent Material (F21) (MLRA 145)				wetland hydrology must be present,		
5 414 1	<i>(15.1.</i> 1)						unless	disturbed or probl	lematic.
Type:	ayer (if observed):								
Depth (in	ches):						Hydric Soil Prese	nt? Yes	X No
Remarks:	,								
Auger could n	not dig deeper due to	presence	e of rock						

WETLAND DETERMINATION DATA SHEET – Northcentral and Northeast Region

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Project/Site: Northwoods Regional Trail - Ph	ase 1A	City/County: Aitkin Co	ounty	Sampling Date: 6/24/2024
Applicant/Owner: Aitkin County			State: MN	Sampling Point: W4-1U
Investigator(s): Joey Goeden		Section, Tow	nship, Range: 33, 45N,	25W
Landform (hillside, terrace, etc.): hillside	Local re	elief (concave, convex	, none): convex	Slope %: 8-10
Subregion (LRR or MLRA): LRR K	Lat: N/A	Long:	N/A	Datum: NAD 83
Soil Map Unit Name: Cebana-Giese, frequer	ntly ponded Ronneby Complex,	0-3% slopes, stony	NWI classification:	none
Are climatic / hydrologic conditions on the site	typical for this time of year?	Yes	No X (If no,	explain in Remarks.)
Are Vegetation X , Soil X , or Hydro	•		al Circumstances" prese	. ,
Are Vegetation, Soil, or Hydro	<u></u>		explain any answers in	
SUMMARY OF FINDINGS – Attach				·
Hydrophytic Vegetation Present? Hydric Soil Present?	Yes No X Yes No X	Is the Sampled Are within a Wetland?		No. V
Wetland Hydrology Present?	Yes No X Yes No X	If yes, optional Wet		No X
HYDROLOGY				
Wetland Hydrology Indicators:			Secondary Indicators (n	ninimum of two required)
Primary Indicators (minimum of one is require			Surface Soil Cracks	·
Surface Water (A1)	Water-Stained Leaves (B	9)	Drainage Patterns (•
High Water Table (A2)	Aquatic Fauna (B13)	-	Moss Trim Lines (B	·
Saturation (A3)	Marl Deposits (B15)	·	Dry-Season Water	· ·
Water Marks (B1)	Hydrogen Sulfide Odor (C		Crayfish Burrows (C	,
Sediment Deposits (B2)	Oxidized Rhizospheres or Presence of Reduced Iron			n Aerial Imagery (C9)
Drift Deposits (B3) Algal Mat or Crust (B4)	Recent Iron Reduction in	` ′	Stunted or Stressed Geomorphic Position	· ·
Iron Deposits (B5)	Thin Muck Surface (C7)	I llieu dolla (dd)	Shallow Aquitard (D	
Inundation Visible on Aerial Imagery (B7		(s)	Microtopographic R	•
Sparsely Vegetated Concave Surface (B	' — —	, 	FAC-Neutral Test (I	
Field Observations:				
Surface Water Present? Yes	No X Depth (inches):			
Water Table Present? Yes	No X Depth (inches):			
Saturation Present? Yes	No X Depth (inches):	Wetland	Hydrology Present?	Yes No _X
(includes capillary fringe)				
Describe Recorded Data (stream gauge, mor	nitoring well, aerial photos, prev	vious inspections), if a	vailable:	
Remarks:				

VEGETATION – Use scientific names of plants. Sampling Point: W4-1U Absolute Dominant Indicator Tree Stratum (Plot size: 30') % Cover Species? Status **Dominance Test worksheet:** 1. **Number of Dominant Species** 2. That Are OBL, FACW, or FAC: 0 (A) 3. **Total Number of Dominant** 4. Species Across All Strata: 2 (B) 5. Percent of Dominant Species 6. That Are OBL, FACW, or FAC: 0.0% (A/B) Prevalence Index worksheet: =Total Cover Total % Cover of: Multiply by: Sapling/Shrub Stratum (Plot size: 15' OBL species x 1 = **FACW** species 0 x 2 = 1. 2. FAC species x 3 = 3. **FACU** species 70 x 4 = 280 x 5 = **UPL** species 30 150 4. 5. Column Totals: 100 430 (A) (B) Prevalence Index = B/A = 6. **Hydrophytic Vegetation Indicators:** 1 - Rapid Test for Hydrophytic Vegetation =Total Cover Herb Stratum (Plot size: 5') 2 - Dominance Test is >50% **FACU** 3 - Prevalence Index is ≤3.01 1. Poa pratensis Yes Bromus inermis Yes UPL 4 - Morphological Adaptations¹ (Provide supporting data in Remarks or on a separate sheet) 10 3. Lolium perenne No **FACU** 4. Problematic Hydrophytic Vegetation¹ (Explain) 5. ¹Indicators of hydric soil and wetland hydrology must 6. be present, unless disturbed or problematic. 7. **Definitions of Vegetation Strata:** 8. Tree - Woody plants 3 in. (7.6 cm) or more in 9. diameter at breast height (DBH), regardless of height. 10. Sapling/shrub - Woody plants less than 3 in. DBH and greater than or equal to 3.28 ft (1 m) tall. 11. Herb - All herbaceous (non-woody) plants, regardless 100 =Total Cover of size, and woody plants less than 3.28 ft tall. Woody Vine Stratum (Plot size: 30' Woody vines - All woody vines greater than 3.28 ft in 1. 2. Hydrophytic 3. Vegetation Present? Yes No X =Total Cover Remarks: (Include photo numbers here or on a separate sheet.)

SOIL Sampling Point: W4-1U

Profile Desc	ription: (Describe to	the depth	needed to docu	ıment th	e indica	tor or co	onfirm the absence of ind	icators.)		
Depth	Matrix		Redo	x Feature	es					
(inches)	Color (moist)	%	Color (moist)	%	Type ¹	Loc ²	Texture	Remarks	3	
0-6	10YR 3/2	100					Loamy/Clayey	Sandy loa	m	
6-24	10YR 5/3	100					Loamy/Clayey			
										_
										_
										—
¹ Type: C=Co	oncentration, D=Deple	etion RM=R	Reduced Matrix N	/S=Mask	ed Sand	Grains	² l ocation: PI =Po	ore Lining, M=Matr	x	
Hydric Soil I			.ouuoouu,					roblematic Hydric	•	
Histosol (Dark Surface (S7)				410) (LRR K, L, M I		
	ipedon (A2)		Polyvalue Belo	,	ce (S8) (I	RR R,		Redox (A16) (LRF		
Black His			MLRA 149B		. , ,			Peat or Peat (S3) ()
Hydroger	n Sulfide (A4)		Thin Dark Surf	ace (S9)	(LRR R,	MLRA 1	49B) Polyvalue Be	elow Surface (S8) (I	LRR K, L)	
Stratified	Layers (A5)		High Chroma S	Sands (S	11) (LRF	R K, L)	Thin Dark Su	ırface (S9) (LRR K	, L)	
Depleted	Below Dark Surface	(A11)	Loamy Mucky	Mineral (F1) (LRF	R K, L)	Iron-Mangan	ese Masses (F12)	(LRR K, L, R	?)
Thick Da	rk Surface (A12)		Loamy Gleyed	Matrix (F	- 2)		Piedmont Flo	oodplain Soils (F19	(MLRA 149	B)
Mesic Sp	odic (A17)	_	Depleted Matri				Red Parent N	Material (F21) (outs	ide MLRA 1	45)
	A 144A, 145, 149B)	_	_Redox Dark Su	•	,			Dark Surface (F22	2)	
	ucky Mineral (S1)	_	Depleted Dark				Other (Explain	in in Remarks)		
	leyed Matrix (S4)	_	Redox Depres	-	3)		3			
	edox (S5)	_	Marl (F10) (LR		24) (84) 5			f hydrophytic veget		
Stripped	Matrix (S6)	_	Red Parent Ma	iteriai (F2	21) (MLR	(A 145)	-	drology must be pr		
Bootriotivo I	aver (if absenced):						uniess dist	urbed or problema	IIC.	
-	.ayer (if observed):									
-								.,		
Depth (in	ches):						Hydric Soil Present?	Yes	No X	
Remarks:										

WETLAND DETERMINATION DATA SHEET – Northcentral and Northeast Region

See ERDC/EL TR-12-1; the proponent agency is CECW-CO-R

Project/Site: Northwoods Regional Trail - Phase 1A	City/County: Aitkin County Sampling Date: 06/242024
Applicant/Owner: Aitkin County	State: MN Sampling Point: W4-1W
Investigator(s): Joey Goeden	Section, Township, Range: 33, 45N, 25W
Landform (hillside, terrace, etc.): depression	Local relief (concave, convex, none): concave Slope %: 2-3
Subregion (LRR or MLRA): LRR K Lat: N/A	Long: N/A Datum: NAD 83
Soil Map Unit Name: Cebana-Giese, frequently ponded Ronnel	
Are climatic / hydrologic conditions on the site typical for this time	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
Are Vegetation, SoilX, or Hydrologysignific	<u> </u>
Are Vegetation, Soil, or Hydrologynatural	
	ving sampling point locations, transects, important features, etc.
Hydrophytic Vegetation Present? Yes X No	Is the Sampled Area
Hydric Soil Present? Yes X No	within a Wetland? Yes X No
Wetland Hydrology Present? Yes X No	If yes, optional Wetland Site ID:
IN PROLOGY	
HYDROLOGY	
Wetland Hydrology Indicators:	Secondary Indicators (minimum of two required)
Primary Indicators (minimum of one is required; check all that a	<u> </u>
	d Leaves (B9) Drainage Patterns (B10) Mass Trim Lines (B16)
X High Water Table (A2) Aquatic Faun And Deposite	
X Saturation (A3) Marl Deposits Water Marks (B1) Hydrogen Su	s (B15) Dry-Season Water Table (C2) Ilfide Odor (C1) Crayfish Burrows (C8)
	zospheres on Living Roots (C3) Saturation Visible on Aerial Imagery (C9)
	Reduced Iron (C4) Stunted or Stressed Plants (D1)
	Reduction in Tilled Soils (C6) X Geomorphic Position (D2)
Iron Deposits (B5) Thin Muck Su	
Inundation Visible on Aerial Imagery (B7) Other (Explai	in in Remarks) Microtopographic Relief (D4)
Sparsely Vegetated Concave Surface (B8)	X FAC-Neutral Test (D5)
Field Observations:	
	th (inches): 3
	th (inches): 0 Westland Hudralogy Present? Yes Y. No.
Saturation Present? Yes X No Dept (includes capillary fringe)	th (inches): 0 Wetland Hydrology Present? Yes X No
Describe Recorded Data (stream gauge, monitoring well, aerial	photos previous inspections), if available:
2000,000	,
Remarks:	

VEGETATION – Use scientific names of plants. Sampling Point: W4-1W Absolute Dominant Indicator Tree Stratum (Plot size: 30') % Cover Species? Status **Dominance Test worksheet:** 1. **Number of Dominant Species** 2. That Are OBL, FACW, or FAC: 2 (A) 3. **Total Number of Dominant** 4. Species Across All Strata: 2 (B) 5. Percent of Dominant Species 6. That Are OBL, FACW, or FAC: 100.0% (A/B) Prevalence Index worksheet: =Total Cover Total % Cover of: Multiply by: Sapling/Shrub Stratum (Plot size: 15' 100 OBL species x 1 = 100 FACW species 0 x 2 = 1. 2. FAC species x 3 = 3. **FACU** species 0 x 4 = UPL species 0 0 x 5 = 4. 5. Column Totals: 100 (A) 100 (B) Prevalence Index = B/A = 6. **Hydrophytic Vegetation Indicators:** 1 - Rapid Test for Hydrophytic Vegetation =Total Cover Herb Stratum (Plot size: 5') X 2 - Dominance Test is >50% X 3 - Prevalence Index is ≤3.01 Carex lacustris Yes OBL Typha X glauca OBL 4 - Morphological Adaptations¹ (Provide supporting data in Remarks or on a separate sheet) 3. 4. Problematic Hydrophytic Vegetation¹ (Explain) 5. ¹Indicators of hydric soil and wetland hydrology must 6. be present, unless disturbed or problematic. 7. **Definitions of Vegetation Strata:** 8. Tree - Woody plants 3 in. (7.6 cm) or more in 9. diameter at breast height (DBH), regardless of height. 10. Sapling/shrub - Woody plants less than 3 in. DBH and greater than or equal to 3.28 ft (1 m) tall. 11. Herb - All herbaceous (non-woody) plants, regardless 100 =Total Cover of size, and woody plants less than 3.28 ft tall. Woody Vine Stratum (Plot size: 30' Woody vines - All woody vines greater than 3.28 ft in 1. 2. Hydrophytic 3. Vegetation Yes X Present? No =Total Cover Remarks: (Include photo numbers here or on a separate sheet.)

SOIL Sampling Point: W4-1W

	ription: (Describe to	the depth				tor or co	onfirm the absence of inc	dicators.)
Depth	Matrix			x Featur				
(inches)	Color (moist)	<u>%</u>	Color (moist)	%	Type ¹	Loc ²	Texture	Remarks
0-24	10YR 2/1	100					Mucky Peat	
								_
			,					
¹ Type: C=Co	ncentration, D=Deple	tion, RM=R	Reduced Matrix, N	/IS=Mas	ked Sand	I Grains.	² Location: PL=F	Pore Lining, M=Matrix.
Hydric Soil I		-	·					roblematic Hydric Soils ³ :
X Histosol ((A1)		Dark Surface (S7)				A10) (LRR K, L, MLRA 149B)
Histic Epi	ipedon (A2)		Polyvalue Belo	w Surfa	ce (S8) (I	_RR R,	Coast Prairie	e Redox (A16) (LRR K, L, R)
Black His	tic (A3)		MLRA 149B)			5 cm Mucky	Peat or Peat (S3) (LRR K, L, R)
Hydroger	n Sulfide (A4)		Thin Dark Surfa	ace (S9)	(LRR R,	MLRA 1	49B) Polyvalue B	elow Surface (S8) (LRR K, L)
Stratified	Layers (A5)		High Chroma S	Sands (S	11) (LRF	R K, L)	Thin Dark S	urface (S9) (LRR K, L)
Depleted	Below Dark Surface	(A11)	Loamy Mucky	Mineral ((F1) (LRF	R K, L)	Iron-Mangar	nese Masses (F12) (LRR K, L, R)
Thick Da	rk Surface (A12)		Loamy Gleyed	Matrix (F2)		Piedmont FI	oodplain Soils (F19) (MLRA 149B)
Mesic Sp	odic (A17)		Depleted Matri	x (F3)			Red Parent	Material (F21) (outside MLRA 145)
(MLRA	A 144A, 145, 149B)		Redox Dark Su	ırface (F	6)		Very Shallov	w Dark Surface (F22)
Sandy M	ucky Mineral (S1)		_ Depleted Dark	Surface	(F7)		Other (Expla	ain in Remarks)
Sandy Gl	eyed Matrix (S4)		Redox Depress	sions (F	3)			
Sandy Re	edox (S5)	_	Marl (F10) (LR				³ Indicators o	of hydrophytic vegetation and
Stripped	Matrix (S6)		_Red Parent Ma	aterial (F	21) (MLR	RA 145)	wetland h	ydrology must be present,
							unless dis	turbed or problematic.
	ayer (if observed):							
Type:								
Depth (in	ches):						Hydric Soil Present?	Yes X No
Remarks:								

WETLAND DETERMINATION DATA SHEET – Northcentral and Northeast Region

See ERDC/EL TR-12-1; the proponent agency is CECW-CO-R

Project/Site: Northwoods Regional Trail - Pr	hase 1A	City/County: Aitkin Co	ounty	Sampling Date: 06/25/2024
Applicant/Owner: Aitkin County		• -	State: MN	Sampling Point: W8-1U
Investigator(s): Joey Goeden		Section, Tow	nship, Range: 34, 45N,	
Landform (hillside, terrace, etc.): hillside	Local r	elief (concave, convex	·	Slope %: 10-12
Subregion (LRR or MLRA): LRR K	Lat: N/A	Long:		Datum: NAD 83
Soil Map Unit Name: Cebana-Giese, freque			NWI classification:	none
Are climatic / hydrologic conditions on the site		Yes		explain in Remarks.)
Are Vegetation <u>X</u> , Soil <u>X</u> , or Hydro	<u></u>		al Circumstances" prese	
Are Vegetation, Soil, or Hydro			, explain any answers in	•
SUMMARY OF FINDINGS – Attach	site map showing sam	pling point locati	ons, transects, im	portant features, etc.
Hydrophytic Vegetation Present?	Yes No X	Is the Sampled Ar	ea	
Hydric Soil Present?	Yes No X	within a Wetland?	Yes	No X
Wetland Hydrology Present?	Yes No X	If yes, optional Wet	land Site ID:	
HYDROLOGY				
Wetland Hydrology Indicators:				ninimum of two required)
Primary Indicators (minimum of one is requir			Surface Soil Cracks	
Surface Water (A1)	Water-Stained Leaves (B	39)	Drainage Patterns (
High Water Table (A2)	Aquatic Fauna (B13)		Moss Trim Lines (B	•
Saturation (A3) Water Marks (B1)	Marl Deposits (B15) Hydrogen Sulfide Odor (0	C1)	Dry-Season Water Crayfish Burrows (0	
Sediment Deposits (B2)	Oxidized Rhizospheres of	•		on Aerial Imagery (C9)
Drift Deposits (B3)	Presence of Reduced Iro		Stunted or Stressed	• • • •
Algal Mat or Crust (B4)	Recent Iron Reduction in	` ′	Geomorphic Position	
Iron Deposits (B5)	Thin Muck Surface (C7)	•	Shallow Aquitard (D	` '
Inundation Visible on Aerial Imagery (B7		ks)	Microtopographic R	·
Sparsely Vegetated Concave Surface (E	38)		FAC-Neutral Test (I	D5)
Field Observations:				
Surface Water Present? Yes	No X Depth (inches):			
Water Table Present? Yes				
Saturation Present? Yes	No X Depth (inches):	Wetland	l Hydrology Present?	Yes No _X
(includes capillary fringe) Describe Recorded Data (stream gauge, mo		vious inspections) if s	wailahla:	
Describe Recorded Data (Sucam gauge, mo	nitoring well, aerial photos, pre	vious inspections), ii a	ivaliable.	
Remarks:				

VEGETATION – Use scientific names of plants. Sampling Point: W8-1U Absolute Dominant Indicator Tree Stratum (Plot size: 30') % Cover Species? Status **Dominance Test worksheet:** 1. **Number of Dominant Species** 2. That Are OBL, FACW, or FAC: 0 (A) 3. **Total Number of Dominant** 4. Species Across All Strata: 2 (B) 5. Percent of Dominant Species 6. That Are OBL, FACW, or FAC: 0.0% (A/B) Prevalence Index worksheet: =Total Cover Total % Cover of: Multiply by: Sapling/Shrub Stratum (Plot size: 15' OBL species x 1 = **FACW** species 5 x 2 = 1. 2. FAC species x 3 = 3. **FACU** species 45 x 4 = UPL species x 5 = 50 250 4. (A) 5. Column Totals: 100 440 (B) Prevalence Index = B/A = 6. **Hydrophytic Vegetation Indicators:** 1 - Rapid Test for Hydrophytic Vegetation =Total Cover Herb Stratum (Plot size: 5') 2 - Dominance Test is >50% Bromus inermis **UPL** 3 - Prevalence Index is ≤3.01 1. Yes 2. Poa pratensis 30 Yes **FACU** 4 - Morphological Adaptations¹ (Provide supporting data in Remarks or on a separate sheet) 10 3. Achillea millefolium No **FACU** 5 **FACU** 4 Lotus corniculatus No Problematic Hydrophytic Vegetation¹ (Explain) 5 5. Solidago gigantea No **FACW** ¹Indicators of hydric soil and wetland hydrology must 6. be present, unless disturbed or problematic. 7. **Definitions of Vegetation Strata:** 8. Tree - Woody plants 3 in. (7.6 cm) or more in 9. diameter at breast height (DBH), regardless of height. 10. Sapling/shrub - Woody plants less than 3 in. DBH and greater than or equal to 3.28 ft (1 m) tall. 11. Herb - All herbaceous (non-woody) plants, regardless 100 =Total Cover of size, and woody plants less than 3.28 ft tall. Woody Vine Stratum (Plot size: 30' Woody vines - All woody vines greater than 3.28 ft in 1. 2. Hydrophytic 3. Vegetation Present? Yes No X =Total Cover Remarks: (Include photo numbers here or on a separate sheet.)

SOIL Sampling Point: W8-1U

Profile Desc	ription: (Describe to	the depth	needed to doc	ument th	e indica	tor or co	onfirm the absence of inc	dicators.)		
Depth	Matrix			x Feature	es					
(inches)	Color (moist)	<u></u> % (Color (moist)	%	Type ¹	Loc ²	Texture	Remark	S	_
0-3	10YR 3/2	100					Loamy/Clayey	Sandy loa	m	_
3-12	10YR 5/3	100					Sandy	Loamy sa	nd	
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										_
										-
										—
1- 0.0							2, ,, 5, 5			
-	ncentration, D=Deple	etion, RM=Re	duced Matrix, I	MS=Mask	ked Sand	Grains.		ore Lining, M=Matr	•	
Hydric Soil I Histosol (Dark Surface ((87)				roblematic Hydric		
	ipedon (A2)		Polyvalue Belo	` '	e (S8) (I	RR R		(A10) (LRR K, L, M e Redox (A16) (LRF		
Black His			MLRA 149E) (OO) (L	-1111 11,		Peat or Peat (S3) (
	n Sulfide (A4)		Thin Dark Surf	,	(LRR R.	MLRA 1		elow Surface (S8) (
	Layers (A5)		High Chroma		-			urface (S9) (LRR K	-	
	Below Dark Surface	(A11)	Loamy Mucky					nese Masses (F12)	-)
	rk Surface (A12)	· · —	Loamy Gleyed			,		oodplain Soils (F19		
Mesic Sp	odic (A17)		Depleted Matr	ix (F3)			Red Parent	Material (F21) (out	side MLRA 14	45)
(MLR	A 144A, 145, 149B)		Redox Dark S	urface (F	6)		Very Shallov	w Dark Surface (F2	2)	
	ucky Mineral (S1)		Depleted Dark				Other (Expla	ain in Remarks)		
	leyed Matrix (S4)		Redox Depres	-	3)		2			
	edox (S5)		Marl (F10) (LF		24) (84) 5			of hydrophytic veget		
Stripped	Matrix (S6)		Red Parent Ma	aterial (F	21) (MLR	(A 145)		ydrology must be pr		
Postrictivo I	.ayer (if observed):						unless dis	turbed or problema	uc.	
Type:										
-	abaa):						Hydric Soil Present?	Voc	No V	
Depth (in							nyunc 3011 Fresent:	Yes	No X	
Remarks:	lown deeper due to re	neke								
Couldn't dig c	lowir deeper due to re	JUNS								

WETLAND DETERMINATION DATA SHEET – Northcentral and Northeast Region

See ERDC/EL TR-12-1; the proponent agency is CECW-CO-R

Project/Site: Northwoods Regional Trail - Phase 1A	City/County: Aitkin County Sampling Date: 06/25/2025
Applicant/Owner: Aitkin County	State: MN Sampling Point: W8-1W
Investigator(s): Joey Goeden	Section, Township, Range: 34, 45N, 25W
	relief (concave, convex, none): concave Slope %: 1-2
Subregion (LRR or MLRA): LRR K Lat: N/A	Long: N/A Datum: NAD 83
Soil Map Unit Name: Cebana-Giese, frequently ponded, Ronneby complex	
Are climatic / hydrologic conditions on the site typical for this time of year?	
Are Vegetation, Soil _X_, or Hydrologysignificantly disturb	
Are Vegetation, Soil, or Hydrologynaturally problema	
SUMMARY OF FINDINGS – Attach site map showing sam	pling point locations, transects, important features, etc.
Hydrophytic Vegetation Present? Yes X No	Is the Sampled Area
Hydric Soil Present? Yes X No	within a Wetland? Yes X No
Wetland Hydrology Present? Yes X No	If yes, optional Wetland Site ID:
Climatic conditions are wet for this time of year.	
HYDROLOGY	
Wetland Hydrology Indicators:	Secondary Indicators (minimum of two required)
Primary Indicators (minimum of one is required; check all that apply)	Surface Soil Cracks (B6)
X Surface Water (A1) Water-Stained Leaves (E	B9) Drainage Patterns (B10)
X High Water Table (A2) Aquatic Fauna (B13)	Moss Trim Lines (B16)
X Saturation (A3)Marl Deposits (B15)	Dry-Season Water Table (C2)
Water Marks (B1)Hydrogen Sulfide Odor (· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
Sediment Deposits (B2) Oxidized Rhizospheres of Peduced Irre	
Drift Deposits (B3) Presence of Reduced Iro	
Algal Mat or Crust (B4)Recent Iron Reduction in Thin Muck Surface (C7)	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
Inundation Visible on Aerial Imagery (B7) Other (Explain in Remark	
Sparsely Vegetated Concave Surface (B8)	X FAC-Neutral Test (D5)
Field Observations:	
Surface Water Present? Yes X No Depth (inches):	1
Water Table Present? Yes X No Depth (inches):	
Saturation Present? Yes X No Depth (inches):	
(includes capillary fringe)	
Describe Recorded Data (stream gauge, monitoring well, aerial photos, pre	evious inspections), if available:
Remarks:	

VEGETATION – Use scientific names of plants. Sampling Point: W8-1W Absolute Dominant Indicator <u>Tree Stratum</u> (Plot size: 30') % Cover Species? Status **Dominance Test worksheet:** 1. **Number of Dominant Species** 2. That Are OBL, FACW, or FAC: 1 (A) 3. **Total Number of Dominant** 4. Species Across All Strata: 1 (B) 5. Percent of Dominant Species 6. That Are OBL, FACW, or FAC: 100.0% (A/B) Prevalence Index worksheet: =Total Cover Total % Cover of: Multiply by: Sapling/Shrub Stratum (Plot size: 15' OBL species x 1 = FACW species 95 x 2 = 1. 2. FAC species x 3 = 3. **FACU** species 0 x 4 = UPL species 0 0 x 5 = 4. 5. Column Totals: 100 (A) 195 (B) Prevalence Index = B/A = 6. **Hydrophytic Vegetation Indicators:** 1 - Rapid Test for Hydrophytic Vegetation =Total Cover X 2 - Dominance Test is >50% Herb Stratum (Plot size: Phalaris arundinacea **FACW** X 3 - Prevalence Index is ≤3.01 1. Yes Carex lacustris OBL 4 - Morphological Adaptations¹ (Provide supporting data in Remarks or on a separate sheet) 3. 4. Problematic Hydrophytic Vegetation¹ (Explain) 5. ¹Indicators of hydric soil and wetland hydrology must 6. be present, unless disturbed or problematic. 7. **Definitions of Vegetation Strata:** 8. Tree - Woody plants 3 in. (7.6 cm) or more in 9. diameter at breast height (DBH), regardless of height. 10. Sapling/shrub - Woody plants less than 3 in. DBH and greater than or equal to 3.28 ft (1 m) tall. 11. Herb - All herbaceous (non-woody) plants, regardless 100 =Total Cover of size, and woody plants less than 3.28 ft tall. Woody Vine Stratum (Plot size: 30' Woody vines - All woody vines greater than 3.28 ft in 1. 2. Hydrophytic 3. Vegetation Yes X Present? No =Total Cover Remarks: (Include photo numbers here or on a separate sheet.)

SOIL Sampling Point: W8-1W

Profile Desc	ription: (Describe to	the dep	oth needed to docu	ment th	ne indica	tor or co	onfirm the absence of	f indicators.)	
Depth	Matrix			k Featur					
(inches)	Color (moist)	%	Color (moist)	%	Type ¹	Loc ²	Texture	Remarks	
0-10	10YR 3/1	90	10YR 4/6	10	<u>C</u>	<u>M</u>	Loamy/Clayey	Prominent redox concentrations	
10-24	10YR 5/1	100					Loamy/Clayey	Sandy clay loam	
			_						
¹ Type: C=Co	ncentration, D=Deple	tion, RM	=Reduced Matrix, M	1S=Masl	ked Sand	Grains.	² Location: P	L=Pore Lining, M=Matrix.	
Hydric Soil I								or Problematic Hydric Soils ³ :	
Histosol ((A1)		Dark Surface (S7)			2 cm Mu	ıck (A10) (LRR K, L, MLRA 149B)	
	ipedon (A2)		Polyvalue Belo		ce (S8) (I	_RR R,		rairie Redox (A16) (LRR K, L, R)	
Black His			MLRA 149B					icky Peat or Peat (S3) (LRR K, L, R)	
	n Sulfide (A4)		Thin Dark Surfa		-			le Below Surface (S8) (LRR K, L)	
	Layers (A5) Below Dark Surface	/ //11 \	High Chroma S Loamy Mucky I	-				rk Surface (S9) (LRR K, L)	
	rk Surface (A12)	(A11)	Loamy Gleyed			K K, L)		nganese Masses (F12) (LRR K, L, R) nt Floodplain Soils (F19) (MLRA 149B)	
	odic (A17)		X Depleted Matrix		1 2)			ent Material (F21) (outside MLRA 145)	
	A 144A, 145, 149B)		X Redox Dark Su		6)			allow Dark Surface (F22)	
	ucky Mineral (S1)		Depleted Dark	Surface	(F7)			xplain in Remarks)	
Sandy G	leyed Matrix (S4)		Redox Depress	sions (F	3)				
	edox (S5)		Marl (F10) (LR					ors of hydrophytic vegetation and	
Stripped	Matrix (S6)		Red Parent Material (F21) (MLRA 145)						
Do aduladi sa I	(f -						unless I	s disturbed or problematic.	
Type:	ayer (if observed):								
· · -	ale a a N						Uhadala Oali Baasa		
	ches):						Hydric Soil Presei	nt? Yes X No	
Remarks:									

WETLAND DETERMINATION DATA SHEET – Northcentral and Northeast Region

See ERDC/EL TR-12-1; the proponent agency is CECW-CO-R

Project/Site: Northwoods Regional Trail - Phase 1A	City/County: Aitkin County Sampling Date: 06/25/2024
Applicant/Owner: Aitkin County	State: MN Sampling Point: W8-2W
Investigator(s): Joey Goeden	Section, Township, Range: 34, 45N, 25W
	ocal relief (concave, convex, none): concave Slope %: 2-3
Subregion (LRR or MLRA): LRR K Lat: N/A	Long: N/A Datum: NAD 83
Soil Map Unit Name: Cebana-Giese, frequently ponded, Ronneby cor	
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Are climatic / hydrologic conditions on the site typical for this time of year	
Are Vegetation, Soil, or Hydrologysignificantly of	
Are Vegetation, Soil, or Hydrologynaturally prol	
SUMMARY OF FINDINGS – Attach site map showing	sampling point locations, transects, important features, etc.
Hydrophytic Vegetation Present? Yes X No	Is the Sampled Area
Hydric Soil Present? Yes X No	within a Wetland? Yes X No
Wetland Hydrology Present? Yes X No	If yes, optional Wetland Site ID:
Remarks: (Explain alternative procedures here or in a separate report	.)
Climatic conditions are wet for this this time of year.	
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HYDROLOGY	
Wetland Hydrology Indicators:	Secondary Indicators (minimum of two required)
Primary Indicators (minimum of one is required; check all that apply)	Surface Soil Cracks (B6)
Surface Water (A1) Water-Stained Leav	ves (B9) Drainage Patterns (B10)
X High Water Table (A2) Aquatic Fauna (B13	
X Saturation (A3) Marl Deposits (B15	Dry-Season Water Table (C2)
Water Marks (B1) Hydrogen Sulfide C	Odor (C1) Crayfish Burrows (C8)
Sediment Deposits (B2) Oxidized Rhizosphe	eres on Living Roots (C3) Saturation Visible on Aerial Imagery (C9)
Drift Deposits (B3) Presence of Reduc	ed Iron (C4) Stunted or Stressed Plants (D1)
	ion in Tilled Soils (C6) X Geomorphic Position (D2)
Iron Deposits (B5) Thin Muck Surface	
Inundation Visible on Aerial Imagery (B7) Other (Explain in R	emarks) Microtopographic Relief (D4)
Sparsely Vegetated Concave Surface (B8)	X FAC-Neutral Test (D5)
Field Observations:	
Surface Water Present? Yes No X Depth (inc	hes):
	hes): 2
Saturation Present? Yes X No Depth (inc	hes): 0 Wetland Hydrology Present? Yes X No
(includes capillary fringe)	
Describe Recorded Data (stream gauge, monitoring well, aerial photos	s, previous inspections), if available:
Remarks:	

VEGETATION – Use scientific names of plants. Sampling Point: W8-2W Absolute Dominant Indicator 30' ___) <u>Tree Stratum</u> (Plot size: % Cover Species? Status **Dominance Test worksheet:** Populus tremuloides 45 Yes FAC **Number of Dominant Species** 2. Populus balsamifera 15 Yes FACW That Are OBL, FACW, or FAC: 6 (A) 3. **Total Number of Dominant** Species Across All Strata: 4. 6 (B) 5. Percent of Dominant Species That Are OBL, FACW, or FAC: 6. (A/B) Prevalence Index worksheet: 60 =Total Cover Total % Cover of: Multiply by: Sapling/Shrub Stratum (Plot size: 15' **OBL** species 5 x 1 = 1. Populus tremuloides 15 FAC **FACW** species 110 x 2 = 220 2. Salix discolor 10 Yes **FACW FAC** species x3 =3. **FACU** species 0 x 4 = 10 4. **UPL** species x 5 = 455 (B) 5. Column Totals: 185 (A) 2.46 6. Prevalence Index = B/A = 7. **Hydrophytic Vegetation Indicators:** 25 =Total Cover 1 - Rapid Test for Hydrophytic Vegetation Herb Stratum (Plot size: X 2 - Dominance Test is >50% 40 **FACW** X 3 - Prevalence Index is ≤3.0¹ 1. Phalaris arundinacea Yes 4 - Morphological Adaptations¹ (Provide supporting 2. Onoclea sensibilis 30 Yes **FACW** data in Remarks or on a separate sheet) Solidago gigantea 15 No **FACW** 3. Athyrium filix-femina 10 No UPL Problematic Hydrophytic Vegetation¹ (Explain) 4. OBL 5. Carex lacustris No ¹Indicators of hydric soil and wetland hydrology must be 6. present, unless disturbed or problematic. 7. **Definitions of Vegetation Strata:** 8. **Tree** – Woody plants 3 in. (7.6 cm) or more in diameter 9. at breast height (DBH), regardless of height. 10. Sapling/shrub - Woody plants less than 3 in. DBH and greater than or equal to 3.28 ft (1 m) tall. Herb - All herbaceous (non-woody) plants, regardless 100 =Total Cover of size, and woody plants less than 3.28 ft tall. 30' Woody Vine Stratum (Plot size: Woody vines - All woody vines greater than 3.28 ft in 1. height. 2. Hydrophytic 3. Vegetation Present? No_ Yes X =Total Cover Remarks: (Include photo numbers here or on a separate sheet.)

SOIL Sampling Point: W8-2W

	-	o the dep				or or cor	nfirm the absence of i	ndicators.)
Depth (inches)	Matrix Color (moist)	%	Color (moist)	x Feature %	es Type ¹	Loc ²	Texture	Remarks
(inches) 0-5	10YR 2/1	100	Color (moist)	/0	Туре	LUC	Loamy/Clayey	Sandy loam
5-24	10YR 5/2	80	10YR 4/6	20		_M	Sandy	Prominent redox concentrations
¹ Type: C=Co	oncentration, D=Deple	etion, RM	=Reduced Matrix. M	S=Mask	ed Sand	Grains.	² I ocation: PI	L=Pore Lining, M=Matrix.
Hydric Soil I		Zuon, ruvi	-reduced Matrix, M	0-Mask	ca Garia	Oranio.		or Problematic Hydric Soils ³ :
Histosol Histic Ep Black His Hydroge Stratified X Depleted Thick Da Mesic Sp (MLR Sandy M Sandy G X Sandy R Stripped	(A1) pipedon (A2) stic (A3) n Sulfide (A4) I Layers (A5) I Below Dark Surface pirk Surface (A12) podic (A17) A 144A, 145, 149B) lucky Mineral (S1) leyed Matrix (S4)	(A11)	Dark Surface (\$ Polyvalue Belo MLRA 149B Thin Dark Surfa High Chroma S Loamy Mucky I Loamy Gleyed Depleted Matrix Redox Dark Su Depleted Dark Redox Depress Marl (F10) (LR Red Parent Ma	w Surface) ace (S9) ands (S Mineral (Matrix (F x (F3) urface (F6 Surface sions (F8 R K, L)	(LRR R, 11) (LRR F1) (LRR F2) 6) (F7)	MLRA 1 R K, L) R K, L)	2 cm Mu Coast Pr 5 cm Mu Thin Dari Iron-Man Piedmon Red Pare Very Sha Other (E:	ck (A10) (LRR K, L, MLRA 149B) rairie Redox (A16) (LRR K, L, R) cky Peat or Peat (S3) (LRR K, L, R) e Below Surface (S8) (LRR K, L) k Surface (S9) (LRR K, L) riganese Masses (F12) (LRR K, L, R) at Floodplain Soils (F19) (MLRA 149B) ent Material (F21) (outside MLRA 145) allow Dark Surface (F22) xplain in Remarks) rs of hydrophytic vegetation and d hydrology must be present, disturbed or problematic.
Depth (ir	nches):						Hydric Soil Presen	nt? Yes <u>X</u> No
Remarks:								

WETLAND DETERMINATION DATA SHEET – Northcentral and Northeast Region

See ERDC/EL TR-12-1; the proponent agency is CECW-CO-R

Project/Site: Northwoods Regional Trail - Ph	ase 1A	City/County: Aitkin Co	ounty	Sampling Date: 06/25/2024		
Applicant/Owner: Aitkin County			State: MN	Sampling Point: W10-1U		
Investigator(s): Joey Goeden		Section, Tow	nship, Range: 34, 45N,	25W		
Landform (hillside, terrace, etc.): hillside	Local re	elief (concave, convex	x, none): convex	Slope %: 6-8		
Subregion (LRR or MLRA): LRR K	Lat: N/A	Long:		Datum: NAD 83		
Soil Map Unit Name: Cathro-Twig, stony com	nplex, 0-1% slopes, frequently	ponded	NWI classification:	PSS1D		
Are climatic / hydrologic conditions on the site	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	Yes	No X (If no,	explain in Remarks.)		
Are Vegetation X, Soil X, or Hydrol			al Circumstances" prese			
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SUMMARY OF FINDINGS – Attach				·		
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Hydrio Soil Present?	Yes No X	Is the Sampled Are		Na V		
Hydric Soil Present? Wetland Hydrology Present?	Yes No X Yes No X	within a Wetland? If yes, optional Wetl		No <u>X</u>		
Remarks: (Explain alternative procedures he		L. t	P. Areste et dive de musicio			
Climatic conditions are wet for this time of the	year. Vegetation is disturbed	due to mowing. Soil is	disturbed due to previo	ous road construction.		
HYDROLOGY						
Wetland Hydrology Indicators:			Seconda <u>ry Indicators (r</u>	ninimum of two required)		
Primary Indicators (minimum of one is require	ed; check all that apply)		Surface Soil Cracks			
Surface Water (A1)	Water-Stained Leaves (B	39)	Drainage Patterns (
High Water Table (A2)	Aquatic Fauna (B13)	-	Moss Trim Lines (B	316)		
Saturation (A3)	Marl Deposits (B15)	Dry-Season Water Table (C2)				
Water Marks (B1)	Hydrogen Sulfide Odor (0	C1)	Crayfish Burrows (0	C8)		
Sediment Deposits (B2)	Oxidized Rhizospheres o	on Living Roots (C3)	Saturation Visible o	on Aerial Imagery (C9)		
Drift Deposits (B3)	Presence of Reduced Iro	on (C4)	Stunted or Stressed	d Plants (D1)		
Algal Mat or Crust (B4)	Recent Iron Reduction in	Tilled Soils (C6)	Geomorphic Position	on (D2)		
Iron Deposits (B5)	Thin Muck Surface (C7)	·	Shallow Aquitard (D			
Inundation Visible on Aerial Imagery (B7)	Other (Explain in Remark	ks)	Microtopographic R	Relief (D4)		
Sparsely Vegetated Concave Surface (Bi	8)	-	FAC-Neutral Test (I	D5)		
Field Observations:						
Surface Water Present? Yes	No X Depth (inches):	_				
Water Table Present? Yes	No X Depth (inches):					
Saturation Present? Yes	No X Depth (inches):		Hydrology Present?	Yes No _ X		
(includes capillary fringe)						
Describe Recorded Data (stream gauge, mor	nitoring well, aerial photos, pre	vious inspections), if a	vailable:			
Remarks:						

VEGETATION – Use scientific names of plants. Sampling Point: W10-1U Absolute Dominant Indicator <u>Tree Stratum</u> (Plot size: 30') % Cover Species? Status **Dominance Test worksheet:** 1. **Number of Dominant Species** 2. That Are OBL, FACW, or FAC: 1 (A) 3. **Total Number of Dominant** 4. Species Across All Strata: 2 (B) 5. Percent of Dominant Species 6. That Are OBL, FACW, or FAC: 50.0% (A/B) Prevalence Index worksheet: =Total Cover Total % Cover of: Multiply by: Sapling/Shrub Stratum (Plot size: 15' OBL species x 1 = FACW species 0 x 2 = 1. 2. FAC species x 3 = 3. **FACU** species 65 x 4 = 260 UPL species x 5 = 5 25 4. (A) 5. Column Totals: 100 315 (B) Prevalence Index = B/A = 6. **Hydrophytic Vegetation Indicators:** 1 - Rapid Test for Hydrophytic Vegetation =Total Cover Herb Stratum (Plot size: 5') 2 - Dominance Test is >50% Poa pratensis **FACU** 3 - Prevalence Index is ≤3.01 1. Yes Carex lacustris Yes OBL 4 - Morphological Adaptations¹ (Provide supporting data in Remarks or on a separate sheet) 5 UPL 3 Bromus inermis No Achillea millefolium 5 **FACU** 4 No Problematic Hydrophytic Vegetation¹ (Explain) 5. ¹Indicators of hydric soil and wetland hydrology must 6. be present, unless disturbed or problematic. 7. **Definitions of Vegetation Strata:** 8. Tree - Woody plants 3 in. (7.6 cm) or more in 9. diameter at breast height (DBH), regardless of height. 10. Sapling/shrub - Woody plants less than 3 in. DBH and greater than or equal to 3.28 ft (1 m) tall. 11. Herb - All herbaceous (non-woody) plants, regardless 100 =Total Cover of size, and woody plants less than 3.28 ft tall. Woody Vine Stratum (Plot size: 30' Woody vines - All woody vines greater than 3.28 ft in 1. 2. **Hydrophytic** 3. Vegetation Present? Yes No X =Total Cover Remarks: (Include photo numbers here or on a separate sheet.)

SOIL Sampling Point: W10-1U

Profile Description: (Describe to the depth needed to document the indicator or confirm the absence of indicators.)										
Depth	Matrix		Redo	x Featur	es					
(inches)	Color (moist)	% Co	olor (moist)	%	Type ¹	Loc ²	Texture	Remarks		
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4-15	10YR 5/3	100					Sandy	loamy sand		
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Black His			MLRA 149B		Je (30) (L	-IXIX IX,		cky Peat or Peat (S3) (LRR K, L, F	5)	
	n Sulfide (A4)		Thin Dark Surf	,	(LRR R.	MLRA 1		e Below Surface (S8) (LRR K, L)	`	
	Layers (A5)		High Chroma S		-			k Surface (S9) (LRR K, L)		
	Below Dark Surface		Loamy Mucky	-				nganese Masses (F12) (LRR K, L, l	R)	
	rk Surface (A12)		Loamy Gleyed			•	Piedmor	t Floodplain Soils (F19) (MLRA 14	9B)	
Mesic Sp	odic (A17)		Depleted Matri	ix (F3)			Red Par	ent Material (F21) (outside MLRA	145)	
(MLR	A 144A, 145, 149B)		Redox Dark Sเ	-	-			allow Dark Surface (F22)		
	ucky Mineral (S1)		Depleted Dark				Other (E	xplain in Remarks)		
	leyed Matrix (S4)		Redox Depres	•	3)		31 11 11 11 11 11 11 11			
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Stripped	Matrix (S6)	'	Red Parent Ma	ateriai (F.	21) (WLR	(A 145)		d hydrology must be present,		
Restrictive I	.ayer (if observed):						uniess	disturbed or problematic.		
Type:	ayer (ii observed).									
-	ohoo):						Hydric Soil Preser	nt? Yes No X		
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Remarks:	lown deeper due to h	itting rook								
Couldn't dig t	lown deeper due to n	itting rock								

WETLAND DETERMINATION DATA SHEET – Northcentral and Northeast Region

See ERDC/EL TR-12-1; the proponent agency is CECW-CO-R

Project/Site: Northwoods Regional Trail - Phase 1A	City/County: Aitkin County Sampling Date: 06/25/2024					
Applicant/Owner: Aitkin County	State: MN Sampling Point: W10-1W					
Investigator(s): Joey Goeden	Section, Township, Range: 34, 45N, 25W					
	relief (concave, convex, none): concave Slope %: 1-2					
Subregion (LRR or MLRA): LRR K Lat: N/A	Long: N/A Datum: NAD 83					
Soil Map Unit Name: Cathro-Twig, stony complex, 0-1% slopes, frequently						
						
Are climatic / hydrologic conditions on the site typical for this time of year?	Yes No X (If no, explain in Remarks.)					
Are Vegetation, Soil, or Hydrologysignificantly distur						
Are Vegetation, Soil, or Hydrologynaturally problems	natic? (If needed, explain any answers in Remarks.)					
SUMMARY OF FINDINGS – Attach site map showing sam	npling point locations, transects, important features, etc.					
Hydrophytic Vegetation Present? Yes X No	Is the Sampled Area					
Hydric Soil Present? Yes X No	within a Wetland? Yes X No					
Wetland Hydrology Present? Yes X No	If yes, optional Wetland Site ID:					
HYDROLOGY						
Wetland Hydrology Indicators:	Secondary Indicators (minimum of two required)					
Primary Indicators (minimum of one is required; check all that apply)	Surface Soil Cracks (B6)					
Surface Water (A1) Water-Stained Leaves (· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·					
X High Water Table (A2) Aquatic Fauna (B13)	Moss Trim Lines (B16)					
X Saturation (A3) Marl Deposits (B15)	Dry-Season Water Table (C2)					
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Sparsely Vegetated Concave Surface (B8)	X FAC-Neutral Test (D5)					
Field Observations:						
Surface Water Present? Yes No X Depth (inches):						
Water Table Present? Yes X No Depth (inches):						
Saturation Present? Yes X No Depth (inches):						
(includes capillary fringe)						
Describe Recorded Data (stream gauge, monitoring well, aerial photos, pro	revious inspections), if available:					
Remarks:						

VEGETATION – Use scientific names of plants. Sampling Point: W10-1W Absolute Dominant Indicator Tree Stratum (Plot size: 30') % Cover Species? Status **Dominance Test worksheet:** 1. **Number of Dominant Species** 2. That Are OBL, FACW, or FAC: 2 (A) 3. **Total Number of Dominant** 4. Species Across All Strata: 2 (B) 5. Percent of Dominant Species 6. That Are OBL, FACW, or FAC: 100.0% (A/B) Prevalence Index worksheet: =Total Cover Total % Cover of: Multiply by: Sapling/Shrub Stratum (Plot size: 15' OBL species x 1 = 40 FACW species 60 x 2 = 120 1. 2. FAC species x 3 = 3. **FACU** species 0 x 4 = x 5 = UPL species 0 0 4. 5. Column Totals: 100 (A) 160 (B) Prevalence Index = B/A = 6. **Hydrophytic Vegetation Indicators:** 1 - Rapid Test for Hydrophytic Vegetation =Total Cover Herb Stratum (Plot size: 5') X 2 - Dominance Test is >50% **FACW** X 3 - Prevalence Index is ≤3.01 1. Carex scoparia Yes Carex lacustris Yes OBL 4 - Morphological Adaptations¹ (Provide supporting data in Remarks or on a separate sheet) 3. Phalaris arundinacea 10 No **FACW** 4. Problematic Hydrophytic Vegetation¹ (Explain) 5. ¹Indicators of hydric soil and wetland hydrology must 6. be present, unless disturbed or problematic. 7. **Definitions of Vegetation Strata:** 8. Tree - Woody plants 3 in. (7.6 cm) or more in 9. diameter at breast height (DBH), regardless of height. 10. Sapling/shrub - Woody plants less than 3 in. DBH and greater than or equal to 3.28 ft (1 m) tall. 11. Herb - All herbaceous (non-woody) plants, regardless 100 =Total Cover of size, and woody plants less than 3.28 ft tall. Woody Vine Stratum (Plot size: 30' Woody vines - All woody vines greater than 3.28 ft in 1. 2. Hydrophytic 3. Vegetation Yes X Present? No =Total Cover Remarks: (Include photo numbers here or on a separate sheet.)

SOIL Sampling Point: W10-1W

Type: C=Concentration, D=Depletion, RM=Reduced Matrix, MS=Masked Sand Grains.	Depth	Matrix			x Featur							
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WETLAND DETERMINATION DATA SHEET – Northcentral and Northeast Region

See ERDC/EL TR-12-1; the proponent agency is CECW-CO-R

Project/Site: Northwoods Regional Trail - Phase 1A	City/County: Aitkin County Sampling Date: 06/25/2024					
Applicant/Owner: Aitkin County	State: MN Sampling Point: W10-2W					
Investigator(s): Joey Goeden	Section, Township, Range: 34, 45N, 25W					
	relief (concave, convex, none): concave Slope %: 0-1					
Subregion (LRR or MLRA): LRR K Lat: N/A	Long: N/A Datum: NAD 83					
Soil Map Unit Name: Cathro-Twig, stony complex, 0-1% slopes, frequently	<u> </u>					
						
Are Climatic / hydrologic conditions on the site typical for this time of year?	Yes No X (If no, explain in Remarks.)					
Are Vegetation, Soil, or Hydrologysignificantly distur						
Are Vegetation, Soil, or Hydrologynaturally problems						
SUMMARY OF FINDINGS – Attach site map showing sam	npling point locations, transects, important features, etc.					
Hydrophytic Vegetation Present? Yes X No	Is the Sampled Area					
Hydric Soil Present? Yes X No	within a Wetland? Yes X No					
Wetland Hydrology Present? Yes X No	If yes, optional Wetland Site ID:					
Climatic conditions are wet for this time of the year.						
HYDROLOGY						
Wetland Hydrology Indicators:	Secondary Indicators (minimum of two required)					
Primary Indicators (minimum of one is required; check all that apply)	Surface Soil Cracks (B6)					
Surface Water (A1) Water-Stained Leaves (· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·					
X High Water Table (A2) Aquatic Fauna (B13)	Moss Trim Lines (B16)					
X Saturation (A3) Marl Deposits (B15)	Dry-Season Water Table (C2)					
Water Marks (B1) Hydrogen Sulfide Odor	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·					
Sediment Deposits (B2) Oxidized Rhizospheres Presence of Reduced In						
Drift Deposits (B3) Presence of Reduced In Algal Mat or Crust (B4) Recent Iron Reduction in	• , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,					
Algal Mat or Crust (B4)Recent Iron Reduction in Iron Deposits (B5) Thin Muck Surface (C7)						
Inundation Visible on Aerial Imagery (B7) Other (Explain in Remark)	·					
Sparsely Vegetated Concave Surface (B8)	X FAC-Neutral Test (D5)					
Field Observations:						
Surface Water Present? Yes No X Depth (inches):	:					
Water Table Present? Yes X No Depth (inches):						
Saturation Present? Yes X No Depth (inches):						
(includes capillary fringe)						
Describe Recorded Data (stream gauge, monitoring well, aerial photos, pre	revious inspections), if available:					
Remarks:						

VEGETATION – Use scientific names of plants. Sampling Point: W10-2W Absolute Dominant Indicator Tree Stratum (Plot size: 30') % Cover Species? Status **Dominance Test worksheet:** 1. **Number of Dominant Species** 2. That Are OBL, FACW, or FAC: 2 (A) 3. **Total Number of Dominant** 4. Species Across All Strata: 3 (B) 5. Percent of Dominant Species 6. That Are OBL, FACW, or FAC: 66.7% (A/B) Prevalence Index worksheet: =Total Cover Total % Cover of: Multiply by: Sapling/Shrub Stratum (Plot size: 15' OBL species x 1 = Salix discolor **FACW FACW** species 100 x 2 = 200 1. 2. **UPL** x 3 = Salix pentandra Yes FAC species 3. **FACU** species 0 x 4 = UPL species x 5 = 4. 20 100 5. 197 (A) 377 Column Totals: (B) Prevalence Index = B/A = 6. **Hydrophytic Vegetation Indicators:** 1 - Rapid Test for Hydrophytic Vegetation 100 =Total Cover Herb Stratum (Plot size: 5') X 2 - Dominance Test is >50% 70 X 3 - Prevalence Index is ≤3.01 Carex stricta Yes OBL 1. 2. Onoclea sensibilis 15 **FACW** 4 - Morphological Adaptations¹ (Provide supporting data in Remarks or on a separate sheet) 7 3. Carex lacustris No OBL 5 **FACW** 4 Equisetum pratense No Problematic Hydrophytic Vegetation¹ (Explain) 5. ¹Indicators of hydric soil and wetland hydrology must 6. be present, unless disturbed or problematic. 7. **Definitions of Vegetation Strata:** 8. Tree - Woody plants 3 in. (7.6 cm) or more in 9. diameter at breast height (DBH), regardless of height. 10. Sapling/shrub - Woody plants less than 3 in. DBH and greater than or equal to 3.28 ft (1 m) tall. 11. Herb - All herbaceous (non-woody) plants, regardless 97 =Total Cover of size, and woody plants less than 3.28 ft tall. Woody Vine Stratum (Plot size: 30' Woody vines - All woody vines greater than 3.28 ft in 1. 2. Hydrophytic 3. Vegetation Yes X Present? No =Total Cover Remarks: (Include photo numbers here or on a separate sheet.)

SOIL Sampling Point: W10-2W

Profile Description: (Describe to the depth needed to document the indicator or confirm the absence of indicators.)										
Depth	Matrix			x Featur						
(inches)	Color (moist)	<u>%</u> (Color (moist)	%	Type ¹	Loc ²	Texture Remarks			
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¹ Type: C=Co	ncentration, D=Deple	tion RM-Re	duced Matrix N		ed Sand	Grains	² Location: PL=Pore Lining, M=Matrix.	-		
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	Sulfide (A4)		Thin Dark Surf	,	(I RR R	MI RA 1				
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Remarks:										

WETLAND DETERMINATION DATA SHEET – Northcentral and Northeast Region

See ERDC/EL TR-12-1; the proponent agency is CECW-CO-R

Project/Site: Northwoods Regional Trail - Phase 1A	Cit	ity/County: Aitkin Co	ounty	Sampling Date: 6/26/2024			
Applicant/Owner: Aitkin County			State: MN	Sampling Point: W20-1U			
Investigator(s): Danny Perrault		Section, Tow	rnship, Range: 26, 45N, 2				
Landform (hillside, terrace, etc.): rise	Local relie	ef (concave, convex	<u></u>	Slope %: 0-3			
Subregion (LRR or MLRA): LRR K Lat: N		Long:	,	Datum: NAD 83			
, <u> </u>			NWI classification:				
Soil Map Unit Name: Mora-Ronneby complex, 1 to 4 perc	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·			none			
Are climatic / hydrologic conditions on the site typical for thi	•	Yes	No X (If no, ex				
Are Vegetation, Soil, or Hydrologys			al Circumstances" presen	t? Yes X No			
Are Vegetation, Soil, or Hydrologyr	naturally problematic?	? (If needed,	, explain any answers in R	Remarks.)			
SUMMARY OF FINDINGS – Attach site map	showing samplin	ing point locati	ons, transects, imp	oortant features, etc.			
Hydrophytic Vegetation Present? Yes X	No Is	Is the Sampled Are	ea ea				
Hydric Soil Present? Yes X	No v	within a Wetland?	Yes	No_X_			
Wetland Hydrology Present? Yes	No X	If yes, optional Wetl					
Remarks: (Explain alternative procedures here or in a sep Climatic conditions are wet for this time of the year.	arate report.)						
HYDROLOGY							
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	gen Sulfide Odor (C1)						
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Water Table Present? Yes No X							
Saturation Present? Yes No X	Depth (inches):		I Hydrology Present?	Yes No X			
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Describe Recorded Data (stream gauge, monitoring well, a	aerial photos, previou	us inspections), if av	railable:				
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Remarks:							

VEGETATION – Use scientific names of plants. Sampling Point: W20-1U Absolute Dominant Indicator Tree Stratum (Plot size: 30') Species? % Cover Status **Dominance Test worksheet:** Betula papyrifera **FACU Number of Dominant Species** 2. Acer rubrum FAC That Are OBL, FACW, or FAC: 3 (A) 3. **Total Number of Dominant** Species Across All Strata: 4. (B) 5. Percent of Dominant Species That Are OBL, FACW, or FAC: 6. (A/B) Prevalence Index worksheet: =Total Cover Total % Cover of: Multiply by: Sapling/Shrub Stratum (Plot size: 15' **OBL** species 0 x 1 = 1. Viburnum lentago FAC **FACW** species 65 x 2 = 130 2. Frangula alnus 25 Yes **FAC FAC** species 65 x 3 = 3. Acer rubrum 10 FAC **FACU** species 35 x 4 = 0 4. **UPL** species x 5 = 465 (B) 5. Column Totals: 165 (A) Prevalence Index = B/A = 6. 2.82 7. **Hydrophytic Vegetation Indicators:** 65 =Total Cover 1 - Rapid Test for Hydrophytic Vegetation Herb Stratum (Plot size: X 2 - Dominance Test is >50% 40 **FACW** 3 - Prevalence Index is ≤3.01 1. Impatiens capensis Yes 4 - Morphological Adaptations¹ (Provide supporting 2. Plantago major 20 Yes **FACU** data in Remarks or on a separate sheet) Rubus pubescens 15 No **FACW** 3. 4. Solidago canadensis 15 No **FACU** Problematic Hydrophytic Vegetation¹ (Explain) Solidago gigantea **FACW** 5. No ¹Indicators of hydric soil and wetland hydrology must be 6. present, unless disturbed or problematic. 7. **Definitions of Vegetation Strata:** 8. **Tree** – Woody plants 3 in. (7.6 cm) or more in diameter 9. at breast height (DBH), regardless of height. 10. Sapling/shrub - Woody plants less than 3 in. DBH and greater than or equal to 3.28 ft (1 m) tall. Herb - All herbaceous (non-woody) plants, regardless 100 =Total Cover of size, and woody plants less than 3.28 ft tall. 30' Woody Vine Stratum (Plot size: Woody vines - All woody vines greater than 3.28 ft in 1. height. 2. Hydrophytic 3. Vegetation Present? No__ Yes X =Total Cover Remarks: (Include photo numbers here or on a separate sheet.)

SOIL Sampling Point: W20-1U

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Restrictive L	ayer (if observed):										
Type:											
Depth (ir	nches):						Hydric Soil Present	? Yes X No			
Remarks:											

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Project/Site: Northwoods Regional Trail - Phase 1	IA C	City/County: Aitkin C	ountv	Sampling Date: 6/24/2024			
Applicant/Owner: Aitkin County		, <u></u>	State: MN	Sampling Point: W20-1W			
Investigator(s): Danny Perrault		Section Toy	vnship, Range: 26, 54N, 2	<u> </u>			
• , ,	L cool roli	ief (concave, convex					
				Slope %: 0-1			
Subregion (LRR or MLRA): LRR K	Lat: N/A	Long:		Datum: NAD 83			
Soil Map Unit Name: Mora-Ronneby complex, 1 to			NWI classification:	PEM1Db			
Are climatic / hydrologic conditions on the site typical	al for this time of year?	Yes	No X (If no, e	explain in Remarks.)			
Are Vegetation, Soil, or Hydrology	significantly disturbed	d? Are "Norm	al Circumstances" preser	nt? Yes X No			
Are Vegetation, Soil, or Hydrology	naturally problematic	? (If needed	, explain any answers in F	Remarks.)			
SUMMARY OF FINDINGS – Attach site	map showing sampl	ling point locat	ions, transects, imp	oortant features, etc.			
Hydrophytic Vegetation Present? Yes	X No	Is the Sampled Ar	ea				
1	X No	within a Wetland?		No			
1 1	X No	If yes, optional Wet					
Remarks: (Explain alternative procedures here or	in a separate report.)						
Climatic conditions are wet for this time of the year							
HYDROLOGY							
Wetland Hydrology Indicators:			Secondary Indicators (mi	inimum of two required)			
Primary Indicators (minimum of one is required; ch	eck all that apply)		Surface Soil Cracks	(B6)			
Surface Water (A1)	Water-Stained Leaves (B9))	Drainage Patterns (E	310)			
High Water Table (A2)	Aquatic Fauna (B13)		Moss Trim Lines (B1	6)			
X Saturation (A3)	Marl Deposits (B15)	Dry-Season Water Table (C2)					
Water Marks (B1)	Hydrogen Sulfide Odor (C1		Crayfish Burrows (C				
Sediment Deposits (B2)	Oxidized Rhizospheres on		Saturation Visible or				
Drift Deposits (B3)	Presence of Reduced Iron	` '	Stunted or Stressed				
Algal Mat or Crust (B4)	Recent Iron Reduction in T	liled Solls (C6)	X Geomorphic Position				
Iron Deposits (B5)	Thin Muck Surface (C7)	\	Shallow Aquitard (D3	'			
Inundation Visible on Aerial Imagery (B7) Sparsely Vegetated Concave Surface (B8)	Other (Explain in Remarks))	Microtopographic Re X FAC-Neutral Test (D				
Field Observations:		<u> </u>	TAO Neutral Test (D	<u> </u>			
	X Depth (inches):						
	X Depth (inches):	14					
Saturation Present? Yes X No	Depth (inches):		d Hydrology Present?	Yes X No			
(includes capillary fringe)			a riyarology r rocontr	100 <u>X</u> NO			
Describe Recorded Data (stream gauge, monitorin	ig well, aerial photos, previo	us inspections), if a	vailable:				
Remarks:							

VEGETATION – Use scientific names of plants. Sampling Point: W20-1W Absolute Dominant Indicator Tree Stratum (Plot size: 30') % Cover Species? Status **Dominance Test worksheet: Number of Dominant Species** 2. That Are OBL, FACW, or FAC: (A) 3. **Total Number of Dominant** Species Across All Strata: 4. (B) 5. Percent of Dominant Species That Are OBL, FACW, or FAC: 6. (A/B) Prevalence Index worksheet: =Total Cover Total % Cover of: Multiply by: Sapling/Shrub Stratum (Plot size: 15' OBL species 0 x 1 = 1. Alnus incana **FACW FACW** species 105 x 2 = 210 x 3 = _ 2. **FAC** species 0 3. FACU species 23 x 4 = 0 4. **UPL** species x 5 = 0302 (B) 5. Column Totals: 128 (A) Prevalence Index = B/A = 2.36 6. **Hydrophytic Vegetation Indicators:** 7. 25 =Total Cover 1 - Rapid Test for Hydrophytic Vegetation Herb Stratum (Plot size: X 2 - Dominance Test is >50% 30 **FACW** X 3 - Prevalence Index is ≤3.0¹ 1. Onoclea sensibilis Yes 4 - Morphological Adaptations¹ (Provide supporting 2. Solidago gigantea 25 Yes **FACW** data in Remarks or on a separate sheet) Rubus pubescens 25 Yes **FACW** 3. 4. Galium aparine 20 No **FACU** Problematic Hydrophytic Vegetation¹ (Explain) Phleum pratense **FACU** 5. No ¹Indicators of hydric soil and wetland hydrology must be 6. present, unless disturbed or problematic. 7. **Definitions of Vegetation Strata:** 8. **Tree** – Woody plants 3 in. (7.6 cm) or more in diameter 9. at breast height (DBH), regardless of height. 10. Sapling/shrub - Woody plants less than 3 in. DBH and greater than or equal to 3.28 ft (1 m) tall. Herb – All herbaceous (non-woody) plants, regardless 103 =Total Cover of size, and woody plants less than 3.28 ft tall. 30' Woody Vine Stratum (Plot size: Woody vines - All woody vines greater than 3.28 ft in 1. height. 2. Hydrophytic 3. Vegetation Present? No __ Yes X =Total Cover Remarks: (Include photo numbers here or on a separate sheet.)

SOIL Sampling Point: W20-1W

	ription: (Describe to	the dep				or or cor	nfirm the absence of indic	ators.)			
Depth	Matrix			(Feature		. 2	_				
(inches)	Color (moist)	<u>%</u>	Color (moist)	<u>%</u>	Type ¹	Loc ²	Texture	Remarks			
0-4	10YR 3/1	100					Loamy/Clayey				
4-12	10YR 4/1	85	10YR 4/6	15	<u>C</u>	<u>M</u>	Loamy/Clayey F	Prominent redox concentrations			
12-24	10YR 5/2	80	10YR 5/6	20	С	M	Loamy/Clayey F	Prominent redox concentrations			
1- 0.0							21 11 51 5				
	oncentration, D=Deple	tion, RIV	=Reduced Matrix, M	S=Mask	ed Sand	Grains.		ore Lining, M=Matrix. oblematic Hydric Soils ³ :			
Hydric Soil Indicators: Histosol (A1) Dark Surface (S7)								10) (LRR K, L, MLRA 149B)			
Histic Epipedon (A2) Polyvalue Below Surface (S8) (LRR R,								Redox (A16) (LRR K, L, R)			
Black His			MLRA 149B)		,	,		Peat or Peat (S3) (LRR K, L, R)			
	n Sulfide (A4)		Thin Dark Surfa	ace (S9)	(LRR R,	MLRA 1		low Surface (S8) (LRR K, L)			
Stratified Layers (A5) High Chroma Sands (S11) (LRR K, L)						Thin Dark Su	rface (S9) (LRR K, L)				
X Depleted Below Dark Surface (A11) Loamy Mucky Mineral (F1) (LRR K, L)						Iron-Mangan	ese Masses (F12) (LRR K, L, R)				
Thick Dark Surface (A12) Loamy Gleyed Matrix (F2)							Piedmont Floodplain Soils (F19) (MLRA 149B)				
	oodic (A17)		X Depleted Matrix		->		Red Parent Material (F21) (outside MLRA 145)				
-	A 144A, 145, 149B) lucky Mineral (S1)		Redox Dark Su	•	•		Very Shallow Dark Surface (F22) Other (Explain in Remarks)				
	leyed Matrix (S4)		Depleted Dark Redox Depress				Other (Explai	ii iii Keiliaiks)			
	edox (S5)		Marl (F10) (LRI	•	, ,		³ Indicators of hydrophytic vegetation and				
	Matrix (S6)		Red Parent Ma		21) (MLR	A 145)	wetland hydrology must be present,				
							unless dist	urbed or problematic.			
Restrictive L	ayer (if observed):										
Type:											
Depth (ir	nches):						Hydric Soil Present?	Yes X No			
Remarks:											

WETLAND DETERMINATION DATA SHEET – Northcentral and Northeast Region

See ERDC/EL TR-12-1; the proponent agency is CECW-CO-R

Project/Site: Northwoods Regional Trail - Pr	nase 1A	City/County: Aitkin C	County	Sampling Date: 06/26/2024
Applicant/Owner: Aitkin County			State: MN	Sampling Point: W21-1U
Investigator(s): Joey Goeden		Section, Tov	wnship, Range: 26, 45N,	
Landform (hillside, terrace, etc.): hillside	Local re	elief (concave, conve	<u></u>	Slope %: 2-3
Subregion (LRR or MLRA): LRR K	Lat: N/A	Long:		Datum: NAD 83
Soil Map Unit Name: Mora-Ronneby comple			NWI classification:	PEM1A
Are climatic / hydrologic conditions on the site	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	Yes		explain in Remarks.)
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Are Vegetation, Soil, or Hydro	' <u></u>		nal Circumstances" prese	
Are Vegetation, Soil, or Hydro			d, explain any answers in	
SUMMARY OF FINDINGS – Attach	site map showing samp	pling point locat	ions, transects, im	portant features, etc.
Hydrophytic Vegetation Present?	Yes NoX	Is the Sampled Ar	ea	
Hydric Soil Present?	Yes X No	within a Wetland?	Yes	No X
Wetland Hydrology Present?	Yes NoX	If yes, optional Wet	tland Site ID:	
Climatic conditions are wet for this time of the	a year.			
HYDROLOGY				
Wetland Hydrology Indicators: Primary Indicators (minimum of one is required 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) Inundation Visible on Aerial Imagery (B7) Sparsely Vegetated Concave Surface (B8)	Water-Stained Leaves (BS Aquatic Fauna (B13) Marl Deposits (B15) Hydrogen Sulfide Odor (C Oxidized Rhizospheres or Presence of Reduced Iror Recent Iron Reduction in Thin Muck Surface (C7) Other (Explain in Remarks	C1) In Living Roots (C3) In (C4) Tilled Soils (C6)	Secondary Indicators (m Surface Soil Cracks Drainage Patterns (I Moss Trim Lines (B: Dry-Season Water T Crayfish Burrows (C Saturation Visible or Stunted or Stressed Geomorphic Positio Shallow Aquitard (D Microtopographic Re FAC-Neutral Test (E	is (B6) B10) 16) Table (C2) C8) In Aerial Imagery (C9) I Plants (D1) In (D2) C3) Elief (D4)
Field Observations:	<u>. '</u>		<u>, </u>	,
Surface Water Present? Yes Water Table Present? Yes Saturation Present? Yes (includes capillary fringe) Describe Recorded Data (stream gauge, mo	No X Depth (inches): No X Depth (inches): No X Depth (inches): onitoring well, aerial photos, previ	Wetlan	d Hydrology Present? vailable:	Yes No _ X
Remarks:				

VEGETATION – Use scientific names of plants. Sampling Point: W21-1U Absolute Dominant Indicator Tree Stratum (Plot size: 30') % Cover Species? Status **Dominance Test worksheet: Number of Dominant Species** 2. That Are OBL, FACW, or FAC: (A) 3. **Total Number of Dominant** Species Across All Strata: 3 4. (B) 5. Percent of Dominant Species That Are OBL, FACW, or FAC: 6. (A/B) Prevalence Index worksheet: =Total Cover Total % Cover of: Multiply by: Sapling/Shrub Stratum (Plot size: 15' OBL species 0 x 1 = 1. Rhamnus frangula **FACW** species 30 x 2 = x 3 = 2. **FAC** species 1 3. FACU species 10 x 4 = 68 4. **UPL** species x 5 = 340 109 443 (B) 5. Column Totals: (A) Prevalence Index = B/A = 4.06 6. **Hydrophytic Vegetation Indicators:** 7. =Total Cover 1 - Rapid Test for Hydrophytic Vegetation Herb Stratum (Plot size: 2 - Dominance Test is >50% 50 UPL 3 - Prevalence Index is ≤3.01 1. Asclepias syriaca Yes 4 - Morphological Adaptations¹ (Provide supporting 2. Bromus inermis 15 Yes UPL data in Remarks or on a separate sheet) Phalaris arundinacea 15 Yes **FACW** 3. Solidago gigantea 10 No **FACW** Problematic Hydrophytic Vegetation¹ (Explain) 4. 10 **FACU** 5. Solidago canadensis No ¹Indicators of hydric soil and wetland hydrology must be Onoclea sensibilis 5 No **FACW** present, unless disturbed or problematic. 6. UPL 7. Asclepias syriaca 3 No **Definitions of Vegetation Strata:** 8. **Tree** – Woody plants 3 in. (7.6 cm) or more in diameter 9. at breast height (DBH), regardless of height. 10. Sapling/shrub - Woody plants less than 3 in. DBH and greater than or equal to 3.28 ft (1 m) tall. Herb – All herbaceous (non-woody) plants, regardless 108 =Total Cover of size, and woody plants less than 3.28 ft tall. 30' Woody Vine Stratum (Plot size: Woody vines - All woody vines greater than 3.28 ft in 1. height. 2. Hydrophytic 3. Vegetation Yes ____ Present? No X =Total Cover Remarks: (Include photo numbers here or on a separate sheet.)

SOIL Sampling Point: W21-1U

	•	o the dep				or or cor	nfirm the absence of i	ndicators.)			
Depth (inches)	Matrix Color (moist)	%	Color (moist)	x Featur %	es Type ¹	Loc ²	Toyturo	Remarks			
(inches)			Color (moist)		туре	LUC	Texture	Remarks			
0-10	10YR 3/1	100					Loamy/Clayey				
10-24	10YR 5/2	85	10YR 5/6	15	С	M	Sandy	Prominent redox conce	entrations		
¹ Type: C=Co	oncentration, D=Deple	etion, RM	=Reduced Matrix, M	S=Mask	ed Sand	Grains.	² Location: Pl	L=Pore Lining, M=Matrix.			
Hydric Soil I		•	•					or Problematic Hydric Soi	ls³:		
Histosol (A1) Dark Surface (S7)							2 cm Mu	ck (A10) (LRR K, L, MLRA	149B)		
Histic Epipedon (A2) Polyvalue Below Surface (S8) (LRR R,						LRR R,	Coast Pr	airie Redox (A16) (LRR K,	L, R)		
Black His			MLRA 149B	•				cky Peat or Peat (S3) (LRF			
Hydrogen Sulfide (A4) Thin Dark Surface (S9) (LRR R, MLRA 1-							e Below Surface (S8) (LRF	R K, L)			
Stratified Layers (A5) High Chroma Sands (S11) (LRR K, L)							k Surface (S9) (LRR K, L)				
X Depleted Below Dark Surface (A11) Loamy Mucky Mineral (F1) (LRR K, L)						R K, L)	Iron-Manganese Masses (F12) (LRR K, L, R)				
	rk Surface (A12)		Loamy Gleyed		-2)		Piedmont Floodplain Soils (F19) (MLRA 149B) Red Parent Material (F21) (outside MLRA 145)				
	oodic (A17) A 144A, 145, 149B)		Depleted Matri		6)		Very Shallow Dark Surface (F22)				
=	ucky Mineral (S1)		Depleted Dark	•	•			xplain in Remarks)			
	leyed Matrix (S4)		Redox Depress								
	edox (S5)		Marl (F10) (LR		,		³ Indicators of hydrophytic vegetation and				
Stripped	Matrix (S6)		Red Parent Ma	terial (F	21) (MLR	RA 145)	wetland hydrology must be present,				
							unless	disturbed or problematic.			
Restrictive L	.ayer (if observed):										
Type:											
Depth (in	nches):						Hydric Soil Presen	t? Yes X	No		
Remarks:											

WETLAND DETERMINATION DATA SHEET – Northcentral and Northeast Region

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Project/Site: Northwoods Regional Trail - Phase	1A City/Co	ounty: Aitkin County	Sampling Date: 06/26/2024			
Applicant/Owner: Aitkin County		State: MN	Sampling Point: W21-1W			
Investigator(s): Joey Goeden		Section, Township, Range: 26, 45N,				
Landform (hillside, terrace, etc.): depression	Local relief (co	ncave, convex, none): concave	Slope %: 1-2			
Subregion (LRR or MLRA): LRR K	Lat: N/A	Long: N/A	Datum: NAD 83			
Soil Map Unit Name: Mora-Ronneby Complex, 1-	<u>-</u>	NWI classification:	PEM1A			
Are climatic / hydrologic conditions on the site typic	·		explain in Remarks.)			
, ,	•	Are "Normal Circumstances" prese				
Are Vegetation, SoilX_, or Hydrology		·				
Are Vegetation, Soil, or Hydrology		(If needed, explain any answers in	•			
SUMMARY OF FINDINGS – Attach site	map showing sampling p	point locations, transects, ım ————————————————————————————————————	portant features, etc.			
Hydrophytic Vegetation Present? Yes	S X No Is the	e Sampled Area				
Hydric Soil Present? Yes	S X No within	n a Wetland? Yes X	No			
Wetland Hydrology Present? Yes	S X No If yes	s, optional Wetland Site ID:				
HYDROLOGY						
Wetland Hydrology Indicators:		Secondary Indicators (m	ninimum of two required)			
Primary Indicators (minimum of one is required; cl	heck all that apply)	Surface Soil Cracks	(B6)			
Surface Water (A1)	Water-Stained Leaves (B9)	Drainage Patterns (I				
X High Water Table (A2)	_Aquatic Fauna (B13)	Moss Trim Lines (B	•			
X Saturation (A3)	_Marl Deposits (B15)	Dry-Season Water 1	·			
Water Marks (B1)	_ Hydrogen Sulfide Odor (C1)	Crayfish Burrows (C	′			
Sediment Deposits (B2)	Oxidized Rhizospheres on Living					
Drift Deposits (B3)	Presence of Reduced Iron (C4)	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·				
Algal Mat or Crust (B4) Iron Deposits (B5)	Recent Iron Reduction in Tilled S Thin Muck Surface (C7)	Soils (C6) X Geomorphic Position Shallow Aquitard (D				
Inundation Visible on Aerial Imagery (B7)	Other (Explain in Remarks)	Microtopographic Re	·			
Sparsely Vegetated Concave Surface (B8)	- Other (Explain in Nos.)	X FAC-Neutral Test (D				
Field Observations:		_				
	X Depth (inches):					
	Depth (inches): 11	-				
Saturation Present? Yes X No		Wetland Hydrology Present?	Yes X No			
(includes capillary fringe)		<u> </u>				
Describe Recorded Data (stream gauge, monitoring	ng well, aerial photos, previous in	spections), if available:				
Remarks:						
Remarks.						

VEGETATION – Use scientific names of plants. Sampling Point: W21-1W Absolute Dominant Indicator Tree Stratum (Plot size: 30') % Cover Species? Status **Dominance Test worksheet:** 1. **Number of Dominant Species** 2. That Are OBL, FACW, or FAC: 3 (A) 3. **Total Number of Dominant** 4. Species Across All Strata: 3 (B) 5. Percent of Dominant Species 6. That Are OBL, FACW, or FAC: 100.0% (A/B) Prevalence Index worksheet: =Total Cover Total % Cover of: Multiply by: Sapling/Shrub Stratum (Plot size: 15' OBL species x 1 = Salix lucida **FACW** FACW species 155 x 2 = 310 1. 10 **FACW** 10 x 3 = 2. Viburnum opulus No FAC species 3. Fraxinus pennsylvanica 5 No **FACW** FACU species 0 x 4 = x 5 = 0 0 4. UPL species 5. 165 (A) Column Totals: 340 (B) Prevalence Index = B/A = 6. **Hydrophytic Vegetation Indicators:** 1 - Rapid Test for Hydrophytic Vegetation 65 =Total Cover X 2 - Dominance Test is >50% Herb Stratum (Plot size: Phalaris arundinacea 50 **FACW** X 3 - Prevalence Index is ≤3.01 1. Yes 2. Onoclea sensibilis 20 Yes **FACW** 4 - Morphological Adaptations¹ (Provide supporting data in Remarks or on a separate sheet) 3. Eupatorium perfoliatum 10 No **FACW** 10 FAC 4 Rubus idaeus No Problematic Hydrophytic Vegetation¹ (Explain) 8 5. Solidago gigantea No **FACW** ¹Indicators of hydric soil and wetland hydrology must 6. Eupatorium perfoliatum **FACW** be present, unless disturbed or problematic. 7. **Definitions of Vegetation Strata:** 8. Tree - Woody plants 3 in. (7.6 cm) or more in 9. diameter at breast height (DBH), regardless of height. 10. Sapling/shrub - Woody plants less than 3 in. DBH and greater than or equal to 3.28 ft (1 m) tall. 11. Herb - All herbaceous (non-woody) plants, regardless 100 =Total Cover of size, and woody plants less than 3.28 ft tall. Woody Vine Stratum (Plot size: 30' Woody vines - All woody vines greater than 3.28 ft in 1. 2. Hydrophytic 3. Vegetation Yes X Present? No =Total Cover Remarks: (Include photo numbers here or on a separate sheet.)

SOIL Sampling Point: W21-1W

Profile Desc	ription: (Describe to	the de				tor or co	onfirm the absence o	f indicators.)		
Depth	Matrix			∢ Featur						
(inches)	Color (moist)	%	Color (moist)	%	Type ¹	Loc ²	Texture	Re	emarks	
0-6	10YR 4/2	90	10YR 5/1	10	D	M	Loamy/Clayey			
6-24	10YR 5/2	80	10YR 8/6	20	<u>C</u>	<u>M</u>	Sandy	Prominent red	aonoo xob	ntrations
		<u> </u>		<u></u>	<u> </u>					
				<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>				
¹ Type: C=Co	ncentration, D=Deple	tion, RN	I=Reduced Matrix. M	IS=Mas	ked Sand	Grains	² Location: P	L=Pore Lining, M	=Matrix.	
Black His	(A1) ipedon (A2)		Dark Surface (\$ Polyvalue Below MLRA 149B) Thin Dark Surfa	w Surfa			2 cm Mu Coast P 5 cm Mu	or Problematic Huck (A10) (LRR Karairie Redox (A16) ucky Peat or Peatus Below Surface	(, L, MLRA (6) (LRR K, (S3) (LR	A 149B) , L, R) R K, L, R)
Stratified Depleted Thick Dal Mesic Sp (MLRA	Layers (A5) Below Dark Surface rk Surface (A12) odic (A17) A 144A, 145, 149B) ucky Mineral (S1) eyed Matrix (S4)	(A11)	High Chroma S Loamy Mucky N Loamy Gleyed X Depleted Matrix Redox Dark Su Depleted Dark Redox Depress	ands (S Mineral Matrix (k (F3) Irface (F Surface	(F1) (LRF (F1) (LRF (F2) (F6) (F7)	R K, L)	Thin Dal Iron-Mal Piedmor Red Par Very Sh	rk Surface (S9) (L nganese Masses nt Floodplain Soils ent Material (F21 allow Dark Surfac explain in Remark	LRR K, L) (F12) (LR s (F19) (N) (outside ce (F22)	RR K, L, R)
X Sandy Re Stripped	edox (S5) Matrix (S6)		Marl (F10) (LRI Red Parent Ma		21) (MLF	RA 145)	³ Indicators of hydrophytic vegetation and wetland hydrology must be present, unless disturbed or problematic.			
Type: _ Depth (in	ayer (if observed):						Hydric Soil Prese	nt? Yes_	× N	No
Remarks:										

WETLAND DETERMINATION DATA SHEET – Northcentral and Northeast Region

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Project/Site: Northwoods Regional Trail - Pha	ase 1A	City/County: Aitkin C	ounty	Sampling Date: 06/26/2024
Applicant/Owner: Aitkin County			State: MN	Sampling Point: W22-1W
Investigator(s): Joey Goeden		Section, Tov	vnship, Range: 26, 45N,	24W
Landform (hillside, terrace, etc.): depression	1 Local re	elief (concave, conve	x, none): concave	Slope %: 1-2
Subregion (LRR or MLRA): LRR K	Lat: N/A	Long:	·	Datum: NAD 83
Soil Map Unit Name: Mora-Ronneby complex	x, 1-4% slopes, stony		NWI classification:	none
Are climatic / hydrologic conditions on the site	·	Yes	No X (If no, e	explain in Remarks.)
Are Vegetation, Soil, or Hydrolo			nal Circumstances" prese	
Are Vegetation, Soil, or Hydrolo	·		l, explain any answers in	
SUMMARY OF FINDINGS – Attach				·
		Is the Sampled Ar		
	Yes X No No	within a Wetland?		No
•	Yes X No	If yes, optional Wet		<u> </u>
HYDROLOGY				
Wetland Hydrology Indicators:				ninimum of two required)
Primary Indicators (minimum of one is require			Surface Soil Cracks	
Surface Water (A1)	Water-Stained Leaves (BS	9)	Drainage Patterns (I	•
High Water Table (A2)	Aquatic Fauna (B13)		Moss Trim Lines (B	·
X Saturation (A3) Water Marks (B1)	Marl Deposits (B15) Hydrogen Sulfide Odor (C	24)	Dry-Season Water T	
Sediment Deposits (B2)	Oxidized Rhizospheres or	•	`	n Aerial Imagery (C9)
Drift Deposits (B3)	Presence of Reduced Iron		Stunted or Stressed	• • • •
Algal Mat or Crust (B4)	Recent Iron Reduction in	` '	X Geomorphic Positio	
Iron Deposits (B5)	Thin Muck Surface (C7)	` '	Shallow Aquitard (D	` '
Inundation Visible on Aerial Imagery (B7)	Other (Explain in Remarks	is)	Microtopographic Ro	elief (D4)
Sparsely Vegetated Concave Surface (B8	3)		X FAC-Neutral Test (D	D5)
Field Observations:				
Surface Water Present? Yes	No X Depth (inches):			
Water Table Present? Yes X	No Depth (inches): _		111 1 1 Dunnam40	Y V Na
Saturation Present? Yes X (includes capillary fringe)	No Depth (inches): _	8 Wetland	d Hydrology Present?	Yes <u>X</u> No
Describe Recorded Data (stream gauge, mon	nitoring well aerial photos, prev	vious inspections), if	availahle·	
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Remarks:				

VEGETATION – Use scientific names of plants. Sampling Point: W22-1W Absolute Dominant Indicator 30') Tree Stratum (Plot size: % Cover Species? Status **Dominance Test worksheet:** 40 Fraxinus nigra **FACW** 1. Yes **Number of Dominant Species** 2. Pinus strobus 20 Yes **FACU** That Are OBL, FACW, or FAC: 6 (A) 3. Ulmus americana 10 No **FACW Total Number of Dominant** 4. Populus tremuloides 10 No FAC Species Across All Strata: 7 (B) 5. Percent of Dominant Species 6. That Are OBL, FACW, or FAC: 85.7% (A/B) Prevalence Index worksheet: 80 =Total Cover Total % Cover of: Multiply by: Sapling/Shrub Stratum (Plot size: **OBL** species x 1 = Alnus incana 20 **FACW FACW** species 150 x 2 = 300 1. Yes 20 **FACW** x 3 = 225 2. Fraxinus nigra Yes FAC species 3. Frangula alnus 15 Yes FAC **FACU** species 20 x 4 = 5 FAC 0 x 5 = 0 Populus tremuloides No **UPL** species 4. 5. 5 **FACW** 245 (A) 605 Ulmus americana No Column Totals: (B) 6. Prevalence Index = B/A = 7. **Hydrophytic Vegetation Indicators:** 1 - Rapid Test for Hydrophytic Vegetation 65 =Total Cover Herb Stratum (Plot size: 5') X 2 - Dominance Test is >50% 45 X 3 - Prevalence Index is ≤3.01 Rubus idaeus Yes FAC 1. Impatiens capensis 2. 45 Yes **FACW** 4 - Morphological Adaptations¹ (Provide supporting data in Remarks or on a separate sheet) 3. Solidago gigantea 10 No **FACW** 4. Problematic Hydrophytic Vegetation¹ (Explain) 5. ¹Indicators of hydric soil and wetland hydrology must 6. be present, unless disturbed or problematic. 7. **Definitions of Vegetation Strata:** 8. Tree - Woody plants 3 in. (7.6 cm) or more in 9. diameter at breast height (DBH), regardless of height. 10. Sapling/shrub - Woody plants less than 3 in. DBH and greater than or equal to 3.28 ft (1 m) tall. 11. Herb - All herbaceous (non-woody) plants, regardless 100 =Total Cover of size, and woody plants less than 3.28 ft tall. Woody Vine Stratum (Plot size: 30' Woody vines - All woody vines greater than 3.28 ft in 1. 2. Hydrophytic 3. Vegetation Present? Yes X No =Total Cover Remarks: (Include photo numbers here or on a separate sheet.)

SOIL Sampling Point: W22-1W

Profile Desci	ription: (Describe to	the de	pth needed to docu	ıment th	ne indica	tor or co	onfirm the absence o	f indicators.)		
Depth	Matrix			x Featur						
(inches)	Color (moist)	%	Color (moist)	%	Type ¹	Loc ²	Texture	Remarks		
0-4	10YR 3/1	100					Loamy/Clayey			
4-10	10YR 3/1	90	10YR 4/6	10	С	M	Loamy/Clayey	Prominent redox concentrations		
10-24	10YR 5/2	80	10YR 5/6	20	C	<u>M</u>	Sandy	Prominent redox concentrations		
		<u> </u>			<u> </u>	<u> </u>				
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¹ Type: C=Co	ncentration, D=Deple	tion, RN	1=Reduced Matrix, M	/IS=Mas	ked Sand	d Grains.	² Location: P	L=Pore Lining, M=Matrix.		
Hydric Soil I	ndicators:							or Problematic Hydric Soils ³ :		
Histosol ((A1)		Dark Surface (S7)			2 cm Mu	uck (A10) (LRR K, L, MLRA 149B)		
Histic Epi	ipedon (A2)		Polyvalue Belo	w Surfa	ce (S8) (I	LRR R,	Coast P	rairie Redox (A16) (LRR K, L, R)		
Black His	tic (A3)		MLRA 149B)			5 cm Mu	ucky Peat or Peat (S3) (LRR K, L, R)		
	n Sulfide (A4)		Thin Dark Surfa		-			ue Below Surface (S8) (LRR K, L)		
	Layers (A5)		High Chroma S	-				rk Surface (S9) (LRR K, L)		
	Below Dark Surface	(A11)	Loamy Mucky			R K, L)		nganese Masses (F12) (LRR K, L, R)		
	rk Surface (A12)		Loamy Gleyed		F2)			nt Floodplain Soils (F19) (MLRA 149B)		
	odic (A17)		Depleted Matrix		·C)			rent Material (F21) (outside MLRA 145		
•	A 144A, 145, 149B) ucky Mineral (S1)		X Redox Dark Su Depleted Dark		-			allow Dark Surface (F22)		
	eyed Matrix (S4)		Redox Depress				Other (Explain in Remarks) 3Indicators of hydrophytic vegetation and wetland hydrology must be present, unless disturbed or problematic.			
	edox (S5)		Marl (F10) (LR		3)					
	Matrix (S6)		Red Parent Ma		21) (MLF	RA 145)				
Restrictive L	ayer (if observed):							alotta of problematic		
Type:	,									
Depth (in	ches):						Hydric Soil Prese	nt? Yes X No		
Remarks:										

WETLAND DETERMINATION DATA SHEET – Northcentral and Northeast Region

See ERDC/EL TR-12-1; the proponent agency is CECW-CO-R

Project/Site: Northwoods Regional Trail - Phase	1A Cit	ty/County: Aitkin County	Sampling Date: 06/27/2024
Applicant/Owner: Aitkin County		State: MN	Sampling Point: W31-1U
Investigator(s): Joey Goeden		Section, Township, Range: 20, 45N,	24W
Landform (hillside, terrace, etc.): trail	Local relie	ef (concave, convex, none): convex	Slope %: 3-5
Subregion (LRR or MLRA): LRR K	Lat: N/A	Long: N/A	 Datum: NAD 83
Soil Map Unit Name: Cebana-Giese, frequently p	<u> </u>		none
Are climatic / hydrologic conditions on the site typic			explain in Remarks.)
	-		
Are Vegetation X, Soil X, or Hydrology			
Are Vegetation, Soil, or Hydrology			•
SUMMARY OF FINDINGS – Attach site	map showing sampli	ing point locations, transects, im	portant features, etc.
Hydrophytic Vegetation Present? Yes	s NoXI	ls the Sampled Area	
Hydric Soil Present? Yes	No X	within a Wetland? Yes	No X
Wetland Hydrology Present? Yes	No X	If yes, optional Wetland Site ID:	
HYDROLOGY			
Wetland Hydrology Indicators:		Secondary Indicators (n	ninimum of two required)
Primary Indicators (minimum of one is required; of		Surface Soil Cracks	, ,
Surface Water (A1)	_Water-Stained Leaves (B9)		•
High Water Table (A2)	_Aquatic Fauna (B13)	Moss Trim Lines (B	•
Saturation (A3)	_Marl Deposits (B15)	Dry-Season Water	
Water Marks (B1)	_ Hydrogen Sulfide Odor (C1)		,
Sediment Deposits (B2)	Oxidized Rhizospheres on L Presence of Reduced Iron (n Aerial Imagery (C9)
Drift Deposits (B3) Algal Mat or Crust (B4)	Recent Iron Reduction in Til	· ′ —	` '
Iron Deposits (B5)	Thin Muck Surface (C7)	Shallow Aquitard (D	
Inundation Visible on Aerial Imagery (B7)	Other (Explain in Remarks)		•
Sparsely Vegetated Concave Surface (B8)		FAC-Neutral Test (I	` '
Field Observations:			,
Surface Water Present? Yes No	Depth (inches):		
Water Table Present? Yes No			
Saturation Present? Yes No	X Depth (inches):	Wetland Hydrology Present?	Yes No _X_
(includes capillary fringe)			
Describe Recorded Data (stream gauge, monitori	ng well, aerial photos, previo	ous inspections), if available:	
Remarks:			
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VEGETATION – Use scientific names of plants. Sampling Point: W31-1U Absolute Dominant Indicator <u>Tree Stratum</u> (Plot size: 30') % Cover Species? Status **Dominance Test worksheet:** 1. **Number of Dominant Species** 2. That Are OBL, FACW, or FAC: 1 (A) 3. **Total Number of Dominant** 4. Species Across All Strata: 2 (B) 5. Percent of Dominant Species 6. That Are OBL, FACW, or FAC: 50.0% (A/B) Prevalence Index worksheet: =Total Cover Total % Cover of: Multiply by: Sapling/Shrub Stratum (Plot size: 15' OBL species x 1 = FACW species 30 x 2 = 1. 2. FAC species 15 x 3 = 3. **FACU** species 55 x 4 = 220 0 x 5 = UPL species 0 4. (A) 5. Column Totals: 105 330 (B) Prevalence Index = B/A = 6. **Hydrophytic Vegetation Indicators:** 1 - Rapid Test for Hydrophytic Vegetation =Total Cover Herb Stratum (Plot size: 5') 2 - Dominance Test is >50% **FACW** 3 - Prevalence Index is ≤3.01 1. Agrostis gigantea Yes 2. Phleum pratense 25 Yes **FACU** 4 - Morphological Adaptations¹ (Provide supporting data in Remarks or on a separate sheet) 3. Plantago major 15 No **FACU** 15 **FACU** 4 Trifolium pratense No Problematic Hydrophytic Vegetation¹ (Explain) 15 5. Juncus tenuis No FAC ¹Indicators of hydric soil and wetland hydrology must 6. Scirpus atrovirens OBL be present, unless disturbed or problematic. 7. **Definitions of Vegetation Strata:** 8. Tree - Woody plants 3 in. (7.6 cm) or more in 9. diameter at breast height (DBH), regardless of height. 10. Sapling/shrub - Woody plants less than 3 in. DBH and greater than or equal to 3.28 ft (1 m) tall. 11. Herb - All herbaceous (non-woody) plants, regardless 105 =Total Cover of size, and woody plants less than 3.28 ft tall. Woody Vine Stratum (Plot size: 30' Woody vines - All woody vines greater than 3.28 ft in 1. 2. **Hydrophytic** 3. Vegetation Present? Yes No X =Total Cover Remarks: (Include photo numbers here or on a separate sheet.)

SOIL Sampling Point: W31-1U

Profile Desc	ription: (Describe to	the depth	needed to docu	ıment th	ne indica	tor or co	onfirm the absence o	of indicators.)	
Depth	Matrix		Redo	x Featur	es				
(inches)	Color (moist)	%	Color (moist)	%	Type ¹	Loc ²	Texture	Remarks	
0-11	10YR 3/2	100					Loamy/Clayey	Sandy loam fill	l
11-16	10YR 3/1	90	10YR 4/6	_10	C	M	Loamy/Clayey	Prominent redox conce	entrations
								-	
								<u>, </u>	
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¹ Type: C=Co	ncentration, D=Deple	etion, RM=Re	educed Matrix, N	/IS=Masl	ked Sand	d Grains.	² Location: F	PL=Pore Lining, M=Matrix.	
Hydric Soil I	ndicators:						Indicators	for Problematic Hydric So	oils ³ :
Histosol ((A1)		Dark Surface (S7)			2 cm M	uck (A10) (LRR K, L, MLR	A 149B)
Histic Ep	ipedon (A2)		Polyvalue Belo	w Surfac	ce (S8) (I	LRR R,	Coast F	Prairie Redox (A16) (LRR K	, L, R)
Black His	stic (A3)		MLRA 149B)			5 cm M	ucky Peat or Peat (S3) (LR	R K, L, R)
	n Sulfide (A4)		Thin Dark Surf		-			ue Below Surface (S8) (LR I	•
	Layers (A5)		_High Chroma S	-				rk Surface (S9) (LRR K, L)	
	Below Dark Surface	(A11)	Loamy Mucky			R K, L)		inganese Masses (F12) (LF	-
	rk Surface (A12)		Loamy Gleyed		F2)			nt Floodplain Soils (F19) (N	-
	odic (A17)		Depleted Matri		6)			rent Material (F21) (outside	e MLKA 145)
•	A 144A , 145 , 149B) ucky Mineral (S1)		Redox Dark Su Depleted Dark		-			nallow Dark Surface (F22) Explain in Remarks)	
	leyed Matrix (S4)		Redox Depress				Other (i	_xpiaiii iii ixemarks)	
	edox (S5)		Marl (F10) (LR	•	<i>5)</i>		³ Indicate	ors of hydrophytic vegetatio	on and
	Matrix (S6)		Red Parent Ma		21) (MLF	RA 145)		nd hydrology must be prese	
—	(-,		_	`	, (-,		s disturbed or problematic.	,
Restrictive L	ayer (if observed):							•	
Type:									
Depth (in	ches):						Hydric Soil Prese	ent? Yes I	No_X_
Remarks:	,						, , , , , , ,	<u> </u>	
	lown deeper due to h	itting rock							
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WETLAND DETERMINATION DATA SHEET – Northcentral and Northeast Region

See ERDC/EL TR-12-1; the proponent agency is CECW-CO-R

Project/Site: Northwoods Regional Trail - Phase 1A	City/County: Aitkin County Sampling Date: 06/27/2024
Applicant/Owner: Aitkin County	State: MN Sampling Point: W31-1W
Investigator(s): Joey Goeden	Section, Township, Range: 20, 45N, 24W
- , ,	relief (concave, convex, none): concave Slope %: 1-2
Subregion (LRR or MLRA): LRR K Lat: N/A	Long: N/A Datum: NAD 83
Soil Map Unit Name: Cebana-Giese, frequently ponded, Ronneby comple	
Are climatic / hydrologic conditions on the site typical for this time of year?	Yes No X (If no, explain in Remarks.)
Are Vegetation <u>X</u> , Soil <u>X</u> , or Hydrology <u></u> significantly distu	· — —
Are Vegetation, Soil, or Hydrologynaturally problem	natic? (If needed, explain any answers in Remarks.)
SUMMARY OF FINDINGS – Attach site map showing san	npling point locations, transects, important features, etc.
Hydrophytic Vegetation Present? Yes X No	Is the Sampled Area
Hydric Soil Present? Yes X No	within a Wetland? Yes X No
Wetland Hydrology Present? Yes X No	If yes, optional Wetland Site ID:
HYDROLOGY	
Wetland Hydrology Indicators:	Secondary Indicators (minimum of two required)
Primary Indicators (minimum of one is required; check all that apply)	Surface Soil Cracks (B6)
X Surface Water (A1) Water-Stained Leaves (
X High Water Table (A2) Aquatic Fauna (B13) Mad Barasita (B45)	Moss Trim Lines (B16)
X Saturation (A3) Marl Deposits (B15)	Dry-Season Water Table (C2)
Water Marks (B1) Hydrogen Sulfide Odor Sediment Deposits (B2) Oxidized Rhizospheres	
Sediment Deposits (B2) Drift Deposits (B3) Sediment Deposits (B2) Oxidized Rhizospheres Presence of Reduced In	
Algal Mat or Crust (B4) Recent Iron Reduction i	
Iron Deposits (B5) Thin Muck Surface (C7)	
Inundation Visible on Aerial Imagery (B7) Other (Explain in Rema	
Sparsely Vegetated Concave Surface (B8)	X FAC-Neutral Test (D5)
Field Observations:	_
Surface Water Present? Yes X No Depth (inches)	: <u> </u>
Water Table Present? Yes X No Depth (inches)	: 0
Saturation Present? Yes X No Depth (inches)	: 0 Wetland Hydrology Present? Yes X No
(includes capillary fringe)	
Describe Recorded Data (stream gauge, monitoring well, aerial photos, pr	revious inspections), if available:
Remarks:	
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VEGETATION – Use scientific names of plants. Sampling Point: W31-1W Absolute Dominant Indicator Tree Stratum (Plot size: 30') % Cover Species? Status **Dominance Test worksheet:** 1. **Number of Dominant Species** 2. That Are OBL, FACW, or FAC: 3 (A) 3. **Total Number of Dominant** 4. Species Across All Strata: 3 (B) 5. Percent of Dominant Species 6. That Are OBL, FACW, or FAC: 100.0% (A/B) Prevalence Index worksheet: =Total Cover Total % Cover of: Multiply by: Sapling/Shrub Stratum (Plot size: 15' OBL species x 1 = FACW species 30 x 2 = 1. 2. FAC species x 3 = 3. **FACU** species 0 x 4 = x 5 = UPL species 0 0 4. 5. 65 (A) Column Totals: (B) Prevalence Index = B/A = 6. **Hydrophytic Vegetation Indicators:** 1 - Rapid Test for Hydrophytic Vegetation =Total Cover Herb Stratum (Plot size: 5') X 2 - Dominance Test is >50% **FACW** X 3 - Prevalence Index is ≤3.01 1. Agrostis gigantea Yes Carex lacustris Yes OBL 4 - Morphological Adaptations¹ (Provide supporting data in Remarks or on a separate sheet) 3 Juncus balticus 13 Yes OBL 7 OBL 4 Scirpus atrovirens No Problematic Hydrophytic Vegetation¹ (Explain) 5. ¹Indicators of hydric soil and wetland hydrology must 6. be present, unless disturbed or problematic. 7. **Definitions of Vegetation Strata:** 8. Tree - Woody plants 3 in. (7.6 cm) or more in 9. diameter at breast height (DBH), regardless of height. 10. Sapling/shrub - Woody plants less than 3 in. DBH and greater than or equal to 3.28 ft (1 m) tall. 11. Herb - All herbaceous (non-woody) plants, regardless 65 =Total Cover of size, and woody plants less than 3.28 ft tall. Woody Vine Stratum (Plot size: 30' Woody vines - All woody vines greater than 3.28 ft in 1. 2. Hydrophytic 3. Vegetation Yes X Present? No =Total Cover Remarks: (Include photo numbers here or on a separate sheet.)

SOIL Sampling Point: W31-1W

Depth	Matrix			(Featur		_		
(inches)	Color (moist)	%	Color (moist)	%	Type ¹	Loc ²	Texture	Remarks
0-12	10YR 3/1	90	10YR 4/1	10	D	M	Loamy/Clayey	
12-24	10YR 5/2	80	10YR 5/6	20	C	M	Loamy/Clayey	Prominent redox concentrations
		<u> </u>				<u> </u>		
Type: C=Co	oncentration, D=Deple	etion RM	======================================	IS=Mas	ked Sand	Grains	² l ocation: F	PL=Pore Lining, M=Matrix.
Black His Hydroge Stratified X Depleted Thick Da Mesic Sp (MLR Sandy M Sandy G Sandy R	(A1) pipedon (A2)	(A11)	Dark Surface (3 Polyvalue Belo MLRA 149B Thin Dark Surfa High Chroma S Loamy Mucky I Loamy Gleyed Depleted Matrix Redox Dark Su X Depleted Dark Redox Depress Marl (F10) (LR Red Parent Ma	w Surface (S9) sands (S) sands (S) sands (S) sands (F3) sands (F3) sands (F6) surface (F6) surface (F6) surface (F7) surface (F7) surface (F7) sands (F7)	(LRR R 111) (LRI (F1) (LRI F2) 6) (F7)	, MLRA 1 R K, L) R K, L)	2 cm Mi Coast F 5 cm Mi 49B) Polyvali Thin Da Iron-Ma Piedmo Red Pa Very Sh Other (E	for Problematic Hydric Soils ³ : uck (A10) (LRR K, L, MLRA 149B) Prairie Redox (A16) (LRR K, L, R) ucky Peat or Peat (S3) (LRR K, L, R) ue Below Surface (S8) (LRR K, L) ark Surface (S9) (LRR K, L) anganese Masses (F12) (LRR K, L, R) ont Floodplain Soils (F19) (MLRA 149B) arent Material (F21) (outside MLRA 149B) anallow Dark Surface (F22) Explain in Remarks) ors of hydrophytic vegetation and and hydrology must be present, as disturbed or problematic.
Restrictive I Type: Depth (ir	_ayer (if observed):						Hydric Soil Prese	ent? Yes <u>X</u> No
Remarks:								

WETLAND DETERMINATION DATA SHEET – Northcentral and Northeast Region

See ERDC/EL TR-12-1; the proponent agency is CECW-CO-R

Project/Site: Northwoods Regional Trail - Ph	ase 1Δ	City/County: Aitkin Co	ounty	Sampling Date: 06/27/2024
Project/Site: Northwoods Regional Trail - Phase Applicant/Owner: Aitkin County	ase in	City/County. Aikin O	State: MN	Sampling Date: 06/27/2024 Sampling Point: WD2-1U
		Saction Tou		- · · · ——
Investigator(s): Joey Goeden			vnship, Range: 20, 45N,	
Landform (hillside, terrace, etc.): Hillside		elief (concave, convex		Slope %: <u>8-10</u>
Subregion (LRR or MLRA): LRR K	Lat: <u>N/A</u>	Long:	N/A	Datum: NAD 83
Soil Map Unit Name: Milaca-Mora complex,	1-7% slopes, stony		NWI classification:	none
Are climatic / hydrologic conditions on the site	typical for this time of year?	Yes	No X (If no,	explain in Remarks.)
Are Vegetation, Soil, or Hydrol	logysignificantly disturb	ed? Are "Norm	al Circumstances" prese	nt? Yes X No
Are Vegetation, Soil, or Hydrol	logynaturally problemat	tic? (If needed	, explain any answers in	Remarks.)
SUMMARY OF FINDINGS – Attach	site map showing sam	pling point locat	ions, transects, im	portant features, etc.
Hydrophytic Vegetation Present?	Yes No X	Is the Sampled Are	ea	
Hydric Soil Present?	Yes No X	within a Wetland?		No X
Wetland Hydrology Present?	Yes No X	If yes, optional Wet		
Remarks: (Explain alternative procedures he Climatic conditions are wet for this time of the				
HYDROLOGY				
Wetland Hydrology Indicators:			Secondary Indicators (m	ninimum of two required)
Primary Indicators (minimum of one is require	ed; check all that apply)		Surface Soil Cracks	` ,
Surface Water (A1)	Water-Stained Leaves (B	9)	Drainage Patterns (
High Water Table (A2)	Aquatic Fauna (B13)		Moss Trim Lines (B	
Saturation (A3)	Marl Deposits (B15)		Dry-Season Water 7	
Water Marks (B1)	Hydrogen Sulfide Odor (C		Crayfish Burrows (C	,
Sediment Deposits (B2)	Oxidized Rhizospheres or			n Aerial Imagery (C9)
Drift Deposits (B3)	Presence of Reduced Iron		Stunted or Stressed	, ,
Algal Mat or Crust (B4)	Recent Iron Reduction in	Tilled Soils (C6)	Geomorphic Positio	
Iron Deposits (B5)	Thin Muck Surface (C7)		Shallow Aquitard (D	
Inundation Visible on Aerial Imagery (B7)		is)	Microtopographic Ro	
Sparsely Vegetated Concave Surface (B8	3)		FAC-Neutral Test (D	D5)
Field Observations:				
Surface Water Present? Yes	No X Depth (inches):			
Water Table Present? Yes Saturation Present? Yes	No X Depth (inches):			
	No X Depth (inches):	Wetland	d Hydrology Present?	Yes NoX
(includes capillary fringe)				
Describe Recorded Data (stream gauge, mon	itoring well, aerial photos, previ	ious inspections), if av	/ailable:	
Remarks:				
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VEGETATION – Use scientific names of plants. Sampling Point: WD2-1U Absolute Dominant Indicator Tree Stratum (Plot size: 30') % Cover Species? Status **Dominance Test worksheet: Number of Dominant Species** 2. That Are OBL, FACW, or FAC: 2 (A) 3. **Total Number of Dominant** Species Across All Strata: 4. (B) 5. Percent of Dominant Species That Are OBL, FACW, or FAC: 6. (A/B) Prevalence Index worksheet: =Total Cover Total % Cover of: Multiply by: Sapling/Shrub Stratum (Plot size: 15' OBL species 0 x 1 = 1. Salix bebbiana **FACW FACW** species 8 x 2 = x 3 = 2. Corylus americana Yes **FACU FAC** species 72 216 Populus tremuloides 2 No FAC FACU species 35 x 4 = FACU 0 4. Quercus rubra No **UPL** species x 5 = 5. 115 (B) Column Totals: (A) 372 Prevalence Index = B/A = 6. 3.23 **Hydrophytic Vegetation Indicators:** 7. 15 =Total Cover 1 - Rapid Test for Hydrophytic Vegetation Herb Stratum (Plot size: 5') 2 - Dominance Test is >50% 70 FAC 3 - Prevalence Index is ≤3.01 1. Rubus idaeus Yes 4 - Morphological Adaptations¹ (Provide supporting 2. Poa pratensis 20 Yes **FACU** data in Remarks or on a separate sheet) Pteridium aquilinum 10 No FACU 3. 4. Problematic Hydrophytic Vegetation¹ (Explain) 5. ¹Indicators of hydric soil and wetland hydrology must be 6. present, unless disturbed or problematic. 7. **Definitions of Vegetation Strata:** 8. **Tree** – Woody plants 3 in. (7.6 cm) or more in diameter at breast height (DBH), regardless of height. 10. Sapling/shrub - Woody plants less than 3 in. DBH and greater than or equal to 3.28 ft (1 m) tall. Herb - All herbaceous (non-woody) plants, regardless 100 =Total Cover of size, and woody plants less than 3.28 ft tall. 30' Woody Vine Stratum (Plot size: Woody vines - All woody vines greater than 3.28 ft in 1. height. 2. Hydrophytic 3. Vegetation Yes ____ Present? No X =Total Cover Remarks: (Include photo numbers here or on a separate sheet.)

SOIL Sampling Point: WD2-1U

	-	o the de				or or cor	nfirm the absence of indicato	ors.)	
Depth	Matrix			x Featur		12	Totalore	D	
(inches)	Color (moist)	%	Color (moist)	<u>%</u>	Type ¹	Loc ²	Texture	Remark	(S
0-9	10YR 3/1	100					Loamy/Clayey		
9-16	10YR 5/3	100					Loamy/Clayey	Sandy loa	am
									_
¹ Type: C=Co	oncentration, D=Deple	etion. RM	=Reduced Matrix. M	S=Mask	ed Sand	Grains.	² Location: PL=Pore	Lining, M=Matr	ix.
Hydric Soil I		, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,	, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,				Indicators for Prob		
Histosol	(A1)		Dark Surface (S7)			2 cm Muck (A10) (LRR K, L, M	LRA 149B)
Histic Ep	ipedon (A2)		Polyvalue Belo	w Surfac	ce (S8) (L	.RR R,	Coast Prairie Re	edox (A16) (LRI	R K, L, R)
Black His			MLRA 149B	•			5 cm Mucky Pea		
	n Sulfide (A4)		Thin Dark Surf						·
	Layers (A5)	(444)	High Chroma S				Thin Dark Surfa		·
	Below Dark Surface	(A11)	Loamy Mucky			R K, L)	Iron-Manganese		
	rk Surface (A12) oodic (A17)		Loamy Gleyed Depleted Matri		-2)		Piedmont Flood		side MLRA 1496)
	A 144A, 145, 149B)		Redox Dark Su		6)		Very Shallow Da		
-	ucky Mineral (S1)		Depleted Dark	•	,		Other (Explain in		_,
	leyed Matrix (S4)		Redox Depress		` '			,	
Sandy R	edox (S5)		Marl (F10) (LR	R K, L)			³ Indicators of hy	drophytic veget	ation and
Stripped	Matrix (S6)		Red Parent Ma	aterial (F2	21) (MLR	A 145)	wetland hydro	logy must be p	resent,
							unless disturb	ed or problema	tic.
	ayer (if observed):								
Type:									
Depth (ir	nches):						Hydric Soil Present?	Yes	No X
Remarks:									
Couldn't dig	down deeper due to h	itting roc	k						

WETLAND DETERMINATION DATA SHEET – Northcentral and Northeast Region

See ERDC/EL TR-12-1; the proponent agency is CECW-CO-R

Project/Site: Northwoods Regional Trail - Phase 1A	City/County: Aitkin County Sampling Date: 06/27/2024
Applicant/Owner: Aitkin County	State: MN Sampling Point: WD2-1W
Investigator(s): Joey Goeden	Section, Township, Range: 20, 45N, 24W
Landform (hillside, terrace, etc.): Ditch Local r	relief (concave, convex, none): Concave Slope %: 3-4
Subregion (LRR or MLRA): LRR K Lat: N/A	Long: N/A Datum: NAD 83
Soil Map Unit Name: Milaca-Mora complex, 1-7% slopes, stony	NWI classification: none
	
Are climatic / hydrologic conditions on the site typical for this time of year?	Yes No X (If no, explain in Remarks.)
Are Vegetation X, Soil X, or Hydrology X significantly disturb	
Are Vegetation, Soil, or Hydrologynaturally problema	atic? (If needed, explain any answers in Remarks.)
SUMMARY OF FINDINGS – Attach site map showing sam	pling point locations, transects, important features, etc.
Hydrophytic Vegetation Present? Yes X No	Is the Sampled Area
Hydric Soil Present? Yes X No	within a Wetland? Yes X No
Wetland Hydrology Present? Yes X No	If yes, optional Wetland Site ID:
Remarks: (Explain alternative procedures here or in a separate report.)	
Climatic conditions are wet for this time of the year. This sample point is local	ated in a constructed wetland ditch.
HYDROLOGY	
Wetland Hydrology Indicators:	Secondary Indicators (minimum of two required)
Primary Indicators (minimum of one is required; check all that apply)	Surface Soil Cracks (B6)
Surface Water (A1) Water-Stained Leaves (E	B9) Drainage Patterns (B10)
High Water Table (A2) Aquatic Fauna (B13)	Moss Trim Lines (B16)
Saturation (A3) Marl Deposits (B15)	Dry-Season Water Table (C2)
Water Marks (B1) Hydrogen Sulfide Odor (C1) Crayfish Burrows (C8)
Sediment Deposits (B2) Oxidized Rhizospheres of	on Living Roots (C3) Saturation Visible on Aerial Imagery (C9)
Drift Deposits (B3) Presence of Reduced Iro	on (C4) Stunted or Stressed Plants (D1)
Algal Mat or Crust (B4) Recent Iron Reduction in	n Tilled Soils (C6) X Geomorphic Position (D2)
Iron Deposits (B5)Thin Muck Surface (C7)	Shallow Aquitard (D3)
Inundation Visible on Aerial Imagery (B7) Other (Explain in Remark	ks) Microtopographic Relief (D4)
Sparsely Vegetated Concave Surface (B8)	X FAC-Neutral Test (D5)
Field Observations:	
Surface Water Present? Yes No _X Depth (inches):	
Water Table Present? Yes No X Depth (inches):	
Saturation Present? Yes X No Depth (inches):	
(includes capillary fringe)	
Describe Recorded Data (stream gauge, monitoring well, aerial photos, prev	vious inspections), if available:
Remarks:	

VEGETATION – Use scientific names of plants. Sampling Point: **WD2-1W** Absolute Dominant Indicator Tree Stratum (Plot size: 30') % Cover Species? Status **Dominance Test worksheet: Number of Dominant Species** 2. That Are OBL, FACW, or FAC: 2 (A) 3. **Total Number of Dominant** Species Across All Strata: 2 4. (B) 5. Percent of Dominant Species 100.0% That Are OBL, FACW, or FAC: 6. (A/B) Prevalence Index worksheet: =Total Cover Total % Cover of: Multiply by: 15 **OBL** species Sapling/Shrub Stratum (Plot size: 15' x 1 = 15 1. **FACW** species 72 x 2 = 144 x 3 = 2. **FAC** species 0 **FACU** species 13 x 4 = 0 4. **UPL** species x 5 = 0100 5. Column Totals: (A) 211 Prevalence Index = B/A = 2.11 6. 7. **Hydrophytic Vegetation Indicators:** 1 - Rapid Test for Hydrophytic Vegetation =Total Cover Herb Stratum (Plot size: 5') X 2 - Dominance Test is >50% **FACW** X 3 - Prevalence Index is ≤3.0¹ 1. Agrostis gigantea 50 Yes 4 - Morphological Adaptations¹ (Provide supporting 2. Carex scoparia 20 Yes **FACW** data in Remarks or on a separate sheet) Phleum pratense 10 No FACU 3. Eleocharis palustris 10 No OBL Problematic Hydrophytic Vegetation¹ (Explain) 4. No OBL 5. Scirpus atrovirens ¹Indicators of hydric soil and wetland hydrology must be Plantago major 3 No **FACU** present, unless disturbed or problematic. 6. 7. Onoclea sensibilis No **FACW Definitions of Vegetation Strata:** 8. **Tree** – Woody plants 3 in. (7.6 cm) or more in diameter 9. at breast height (DBH), regardless of height. 10. Sapling/shrub - Woody plants less than 3 in. DBH and greater than or equal to 3.28 ft (1 m) tall. Herb – All herbaceous (non-woody) plants, regardless 100 =Total Cover of size, and woody plants less than 3.28 ft tall. 30' Woody Vine Stratum (Plot size: Woody vines - All woody vines greater than 3.28 ft in 1. height. 2. Hydrophytic 3. Vegetation Present? No __ Yes X =Total Cover Remarks: (Include photo numbers here or on a separate sheet.)

SOIL Sampling Point: WD2-1W

		o the dep				or or cor	nfirm the absence of in	idicators.)
Depth (inches)	Matrix Color (moist)	%	Color (moist)	k Featur	es Type ¹	Loc ²	Texture	Remarks
0-7	10YR 3/1	95	10YR 4/6	5	С	M	Loamy/Clayey	Prominent redox concentrations
7-24	10YR 5/2	80	10YR 5/6			M	Loamy/Clayey	Prominent redox concentrations
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Hydric Soil I	ncentration, D=Deple	etion, Riv	=Reduced Matrix, Mi	S=IVIASK	ed Sand	Grains.		=Pore Lining, M=Matrix. r Problematic Hydric Soils ³ :
Histosol Histic Ep Black His Hydroge Stratified X Depleted Thick Da Mesic Sp (MLR. Sandy M Sandy G Sandy R Stripped	(A1) sipedon (A2) stic (A3) n Sulfide (A4) I Layers (A5) I Below Dark Surface ork Surface (A12) codic (A17) A 144A, 145, 149B) flucky Mineral (S1) leyed Matrix (S4) edox (S5) Matrix (S6)	(A11)	Dark Surface (\$\footnote{S} Polyvalue Belov MLRA 149B) Thin Dark Surface High Chroma Sociated Loamy Mucky North Loamy Gleyed Xociated Depleted Matrix Xociated Dark Succession Depleted Dark Redox Depression Marl (F10) (LRI Red Parent Mark Polyvalue Belov Depression Mark Red Parent Mark Polyvalue Belov Depression Mark Red Parent Mark Polyvalue Belov North Polyvalue Belov No	w Surface ace (S9) ands (S Mineral (Matrix (F (F3) rface (F) Surface sions (F8 R K, L)	(LRR R, 11) (LRF F1) (LRF F2) 6) (F7)	MLRA 1 8 K, L) R K, L)	2 cm Muc Coast Pra 5 cm Muc Thin Dark Iron-Mang Piedmont Red Pare Very Shal Other (Ex	ck (A10) (LRR K, L, MLRA 149B) airie Redox (A16) (LRR K, L, R) cky Peat or Peat (S3) (LRR K, L, R) e Below Surface (S8) (LRR K, L) c Surface (S9) (LRR K, L) ganese Masses (F12) (LRR K, L, R) e Floodplain Soils (F19) (MLRA 149B) ent Material (F21) (outside MLRA 145) ellow Dark Surface (F22) explain in Remarks) es of hydrophytic vegetation and ed hydrology must be present, edisturbed or problematic.
Type: _ Depth (in	ayer (if observed):						Hydric Soil Present	t? Yes_X_ No
Remarks: Sandy loam t	texture throughout							

WETLAND DETERMINATION DATA SHEET – Northcentral and Northeast Region

See ERDC/EL TR-12-1; the proponent agency is CECW-CO-R

Project/Site: Northwoods Regional Trail - Phase 1A City/County: Aitkin County Sampling Date: 6/24/2024 Applicant/Owner: Aitkin County State: MN Sampling Point: W100-1U
The state of the s
Investigator(s): Danny Perrault Section, Township, Range: 24, 45N, 24W
Landform (hillside, terrace, etc.): hillside Local relief (concave, convex, none): convex Slope %: 3-5
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Subregion (LRR or MLRA): LRR K Lat: N/A Long: N/A Datum: NAD 83
Soil Map Unit Name: Markey muck NWI classification: none
Are climatic / hydrologic conditions on the site typical for this time of year? Yes No _X (If no, explain in Remarks.)
Are Vegetation, Soil, or Hydrologysignificantly disturbed? Are "Normal Circumstances" present? YesX _ No
Are Vegetation, Soil, or Hydrologynaturally 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 X Is the Sampled Area
Hydric Soil Present? Yes X No within a Wetland? Yes No X
Wetland Hydrology Present? Yes No X If yes, optional Wetland Site ID:
Remarks: (Explain alternative procedures here or in a separate report.)
Climatic conditions are wet for this time of the year.
HYDROLOGY
Wetland Hydrology Indicators: Secondary Indicators (minimum of two required)
Primary Indicators (minimum of one is required; check all that apply) Surface Soil Cracks (B6)
Surface Water (A1) Water-Stained Leaves (B9) Drainage Patterns (B10)
High Water Table (A2) Aquatic Fauna (B13) Aquatic Fauna (B16)
Saturation (A3) Marl Deposits (B15) Dry-Season Water Table (C2)
Water Marks (B1) Hydrogen Sulfide Odor (C1) Crayfish Burrows (C8)
Sediment Deposits (B2) Oxidized Rhizospheres on Living Roots (C3) Saturation Visible on Aerial Imagery (C9)
Drift Deposits (B3) Presence of Reduced Iron (C4) Stunted or Stressed Plants (D1)

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VEGETATION – Use scientific names of plants. Sampling Point: W100-1U Absolute Dominant Indicator Tree Stratum (Plot size: 30') % Cover Species? Status **Dominance Test worksheet: Number of Dominant Species** 2. That Are OBL, FACW, or FAC: (A) 3. **Total Number of Dominant** Species Across All Strata: 4. 1 (B) 5. Percent of Dominant Species That Are OBL, FACW, or FAC: (A/B) 6. Prevalence Index worksheet: =Total Cover Total % Cover of: Multiply by: Sapling/Shrub Stratum (Plot size: 15' **OBL** species 0 x 1 = 1. **FACW** species 10 x 2 = 2. **FAC** species 15 x 3 =**FACU** species 90 x 4 = 10 4. **UPL** species x 5 = 125 475 (B) 5. Column Totals: (A) Prevalence Index = B/A = 3.80 6. **Hydrophytic Vegetation Indicators:** 7. 1 - Rapid Test for Hydrophytic Vegetation =Total Cover Herb Stratum (Plot size: 2 - Dominance Test is >50% 80 FACU 3 - Prevalence Index is ≤3.01 1. Phleum pratense Yes 4 - Morphological Adaptations¹ (Provide supporting 2. Panicum virgatum 15 No FAC data in Remarks or on a separate sheet) Agrimonia eupatoria 10 No UPL 3. 10 No **FACU** Problematic Hydrophytic Vegetation¹ (Explain) 4. Plantago major No **FACW** 5. Solidago gigantea ¹Indicators of hydric soil and wetland hydrology must be 6. Phalaris arundinacea No **FACW** present, unless disturbed or problematic. 7. **Definitions of Vegetation Strata:** 8. **Tree** – Woody plants 3 in. (7.6 cm) or more in diameter 9. at breast height (DBH), regardless of height. 10. Sapling/shrub - Woody plants less than 3 in. DBH and greater than or equal to 3.28 ft (1 m) tall. Herb – All herbaceous (non-woody) plants, regardless 125 =Total Cover of size, and woody plants less than 3.28 ft tall. 30' Woody Vine Stratum (Plot size: Woody vines - All woody vines greater than 3.28 ft in 1. height. 2. Hydrophytic 3. Vegetation Present? Yes ____ No X =Total Cover Remarks: (Include photo numbers here or on a separate sheet.)

SOIL Sampling Point: W100-1U

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Depth	Matrix	0/		x Featur		12	Tautus			
(inches)	Color (moist)	<u>%</u>	Color (moist)	<u>%</u>	Type ¹	Loc ²	Texture Remarks			
0-12	10YR 3/2	80	10YR 5/8	20	<u> </u>	<u>M</u>	Loamy/Clayey Prominent redox concentrations			
12-24	10YR 3/2	100					Loamy/Clayey			
							·			
¹ Type: C=Co	oncentration, D=Deple	etion, RM	=Reduced Matrix, M	S=Mask	ed Sand	Grains.	² Location: PL=Pore Lining, M=Matrix.			
Hydric Soil I							Indicators for Problematic Hydric Soils ³ :			
Histosol	` '		Dark Surface (2 cm Muck (A10) (LRR K, L, MLRA 149B)			
	ipedon (A2)		Polyvalue Belo		e (S8) (I	RR R,	Coast Prairie Redox (A16) (LRR K, L, R)			
Black His	stic (A3) n Sulfide (A4)		MLRA 149B) Thin Dark Surfa		/I DD D	MI DA 1	5 cm Mucky Peat or Peat (S3) (LRR K, L, R) 49B) Polyvalue Below Surface (S8) (LRR K, L)			
	Layers (A5)		High Chroma S				Thin Dark Surface (S9) (LRR K, L)			
	Below Dark Surface	(A11)	Loamy Mucky I				Iron-Manganese Masses (F12) (LRR K, L, R)			
	rk Surface (A12)	, ,	Loamy Gleyed			. ,	Piedmont Floodplain Soils (F19) (MLRA 1498			
Mesic Sp	oodic (A17)		Depleted Matrix	x (F3)			Red Parent Material (F21) (outside MLRA 14			
(MLR	A 144A, 145, 149B)		X Redox Dark Su	ırface (F	6)		Very Shallow Dark Surface (F22)			
	ucky Mineral (S1)		Depleted Dark				Other (Explain in Remarks)			
	leyed Matrix (S4)		Redox Depress		3)		31			
	edox (S5) Matrix (S6)		Marl (F10) (LR Red Parent Ma		24) /MI B	Λ 1.45\	³ Indicators of hydrophytic vegetation and wetland hydrology must be present			
Stripped	Matrix (30)		Red Falent Ma	iteriai (F2	ZI) (IVILIN	A 143)	wetland hydrology must be present, unless disturbed or problematic.			
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Type:										
Depth (in	nches):						Hydric Soil Present? Yes X No			
Remarks:										
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WETLAND DETERMINATION DATA SHEET – Northcentral and Northeast Region

See ERDC/EL TR-12-1; the proponent agency is CECW-CO-R

Project/Site: Northwoods Regional Trail - Phase 1A	A City/Count	y: Aitkin County	Sampling Date: 6/24/2024
Applicant/Owner: Aitkin County		State: MN	Sampling Point: W100-1W
Investigator(s): Danny Perrault	Sı	ection, Township, Range: 23, 45N 24	
Landform (hillside, terrace, etc.): depression		ave, convex, none): concave	Slope %: 3-5
	Lat: N/A	Long: N/A	Datum: NAD 83
Soil Map Unit Name: Markey muck	Lat. IVA	NWI classification:	none
·	16 41 4 - 1 - 1 - 10		,
Are climatic / hydrologic conditions on the site typical	•		xplain in Remarks.)
Are Vegetation, SoilX_, or Hydrology _		Are "Normal Circumstances" present	t? Yes X No
Are Vegetation, Soil, or Hydrology _	naturally problematic?	(If needed, explain any answers in R	Remarks.)
SUMMARY OF FINDINGS – Attach site r	map showing sampling poi	int locations, transects, imp	oortant features, etc.
Hydrophytic Vegetation Present? Yes	X No Is the Sa	ampled Area	
_		Wetland? Yes X	No
——————————————————————————————————————		otional Wetland Site ID:	
HYDROLOGY			
Wetland Hydrology Indicators:		Secondary Indicators (min	nimum of two required)
Primary Indicators (minimum of one is required; che		Surface Soil Cracks (` '
	Water-Stained Leaves (B9)	Drainage Patterns (B	· ·
	Aquatic Fauna (B13)	Moss Trim Lines (B1)	·
	Marl Deposits (B15)	Dry-Season Water Ta	
	Hydrogen Sulfide Odor (C1) Oxidized Rhizospheres on Living Ro	Crayfish Burrows (C8	
	Presence of Reduced Iron (C4)	oots (C3) Saturation Visible on Stunted or Stressed I	
	Recent Iron Reduction in Tilled Soils		
	Thin Muck Surface (C7)	Shallow Aquitard (D3	` ,
	Other (Explain in Remarks)	Microtopographic Re	
Sparsely Vegetated Concave Surface (B8)	,	X FAC-Neutral Test (D	
Field Observations:			
Surface Water Present? Yes No _	X Depth (inches):		
Water Table Present? Yes X No	Depth (inches): 15		
Saturation Present? Yes X No	Depth (inches): 0	Wetland Hydrology Present?	Yes X No
(includes capillary fringe)			
Describe Recorded Data (stream gauge, monitoring	y well, aerial photos, previous inspec	tions), if available:	
Remarks:			

VEGETATION – Use scientific names of plants. Sampling Point: W100-1W Absolute Dominant Indicator Tree Stratum (Plot size: 30' Status **Dominance Test worksheet:** % Cover Species? Populus tremuloides FAC 35 Yes **Number of Dominant Species** FACU Quercus rubra 20 Yes That Are OBL, FACW, or FAC: (A) 3. Total Number of Dominant Species Across All Strata: 6 (B) Percent of Dominant Species

S				That Are OBL, FACW, or FAC: 83.3% (A/B)			
7.				Prevalence Index worksheet:			
	55	=Total Cover		Total % Cover of: Multiply by:			
Sapling/Shrub Stratum (Plot size: 15')				OBL species0 x 1 =0			
1. Salix amygdaloides	25	Yes	FACW	FACW species 95 x 2 = 190			
2. Sambucus nigra	10	Yes	FACW	FAC species 55 x 3 = 165			
3				FACU species 20 x 4 = 80			
4				UPL species0 x 5 =0			
5		_		Column Totals:170 (A)435(B)			
6		_		Prevalence Index = B/A = 2.56			
7				Hydrophytic Vegetation Indicators:			
	35	=Total Cover		1 - Rapid Test for Hydrophytic Vegetation			
Herb Stratum (Plot size:5')				X 2 - Dominance Test is >50%			
1. Solidago gigantea	30	Yes	FACW	X 3 - Prevalence Index is ≤3.0 ¹			
2. Panicum virgatum	20	Yes	FAC	4 - Morphological Adaptations ¹ (Provide supporting			
3. Phalaris arundinacea	15	No	FACW	data in Remarks or on a separate sheet)			
4. Onoclea sensibilis	10	No	FACW	Problematic Hydrophytic Vegetation ¹ (Explain)			
5. Impatiens capensis	5	No	FACW	¹ Indicators of hydric soil and wetland hydrology must be present, unless disturbed or problematic.			
6							
7				Definitions of Vegetation Strata:			
3.				Tree – Woody plants 3 in. (7.6 cm) or more in diameter			
9.				at breast height (DBH), regardless of height.			
10		_		Sapling/shrub – Woody plants less than 3 in. DBH and			
11		_		greater than or equal to 3.28 ft (1 m) tall.			
12		_		Herb – All herbaceous (non-woody) plants, regardless			
	80	=Total Cover		of size, and woody plants less than 3.28 ft tall.			
Woody Vine Stratum (Plot size:)				Woody vines – All woody vines greater than 3.28 ft in			
1				height.			
2							
3				Hydrophytic Vegetation			
4				Present? Yes X No No			
		=Total Cover					

SOIL Sampling Point: W100-1W

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Depth	Matrix			x Featur		12	Toolog			
(inches)	Color (moist)	%	Color (moist)	<u>%</u>	Type ¹	Loc ²	Texture Remarks			
0-6	10YR 3/1	85	10YR 5/8	15	С	M	Sandy Prominent redox concentrations			
6-24	10YR 5/1	100					Loamy/Clayey			
1 _T C. C.			Dadward Matrix M			Cusins	21 anations DI Dana Lining M Matrix			
Hydric Soil I	ncentration, D=Deple	etion, Riv	=Reduced Matrix, M	S=IVIASK	ea Sana	Grains.	² Location: PL=Pore Lining, M=Matrix. Indicators for Problematic Hydric Soils ³ :			
Histosol			Dark Surface (S7)			2 cm Muck (A10) (LRR K, L, MLRA 149B)			
	ipedon (A2)		Polyvalue Belo		ce (S8) (L	RR R.	Coast Prairie Redox (A16) (LRR K, L, R)			
Black His			MLRA 149B		(/(,	5 cm Mucky Peat or Peat (S3) (LRR K, L, R)			
	n Sulfide (A4)		Thin Dark Surfa	ace (S9)	(LRR R,	MLRA 1				
Stratified	Layers (A5)		High Chroma S	ands (S	11) (LRR	K, L)	Thin Dark Surface (S9) (LRR K, L)			
Depleted	Below Dark Surface	(A11)	Loamy Mucky I	Mineral (F1) (LRF	R K, L)	Iron-Manganese Masses (F12) (LRR K, L, R)			
Thick Da	rk Surface (A12)		Loamy Gleyed	Matrix (F	- 2)		Piedmont Floodplain Soils (F19) (MLRA 149B			
	oodic (A17)		X Depleted Matri				Red Parent Material (F21) (outside MLRA 14:			
-	A 144A, 145, 149B)		Redox Dark Su	•	,		Very Shallow Dark Surface (F22)			
	ucky Mineral (S1)		Depleted Dark		` '		Other (Explain in Remarks)			
X Sandy R	leyed Matrix (S4)		Redox Depress Marl (F10) (LR		3)		³ Indicators of hydrophytic vegetation and			
	Matrix (S6)		Red Parent Ma		21) (MI R	A 145)	wetland hydrology must be present,			
	manx (GG)			itoriai (i z		,	unless disturbed or problematic.			
Restrictive L	.ayer (if observed):									
Type:										
Depth (ir	nches):						Hydric Soil Present? Yes X No			
Remarks:	<u> </u>									
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WETLAND DETERMINATION DATA SHEET – Northcentral and Northeast Region

See ERDC/EL TR-12-1; the proponent agency is CECW-CO-R

Project/Site: Northwoods Regional Trail - Ph	nase 1A	City/County: Aitkin County	Sampling Date: 6/24/2024
Applicant/Owner: Aitkin County			State: MN Sampling Point: W101-1
Investigator(s): Danny Perrault		Section, Township, Ra	nge: 24, 45N, 24W
Landform (hillside, terrace, etc.): rise	Local re	elief (concave, convex, none): c	·
Subregion (LRR or MLRA): LRR K	Lat: N/A	Long: N/A	Datum: NAD 83
Soil Map Unit Name: Rifle mucky peat, 0 to			classification: PEM1Dd
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Are climatic / hydrologic conditions on the site			X (If no, explain in Remarks.)
Are Vegetation, Soil, or Hydro			stances" present? Yes X No
Are Vegetation, Soil, or Hydro	logynaturally problemat	ic? (If needed, explain a	ny answers in Remarks.)
SUMMARY OF FINDINGS – Attach	site map showing samp	oling point locations, tra	insects, important features, etc.
Hydrophytic Vegetation Present?	Yes No X	Is the Sampled Area	
Hydric Soil Present?	Yes No X	within a Wetland?	Yes No _X_
Wetland Hydrology Present?	Yes No X	If yes, optional Wetland Site II	
Remarks: (Explain alternative procedures he Climatic conditions are wet for this time of the			
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HYDROLOGY			
Wetland Hydrology Indicators:		<u></u>	y Indicators (minimum of two required)
Primary Indicators (minimum of one is require			ce Soil Cracks (B6)
Surface Water (A1)	Water-Stained Leaves (B	· —	age Patterns (B10)
High Water Table (A2)	Aquatic Fauna (B13)		Trim Lines (B16)
Saturation (A3)	Marl Deposits (B15)		eason Water Table (C2)
Water Marks (B1)	Hydrogen Sulfide Odor (C		ish Burrows (C8)
Sediment Deposits (B2)	Oxidized Rhizospheres of		ation Visible on Aerial Imagery (C9)
Drift Deposits (B3)	Presence of Reduced Iron	` '	ed or Stressed Plants (D1)
Algal Mat or Crust (B4)	Recent Iron Reduction in		norphic Position (D2)
Iron Deposits (B5)	Thin Muck Surface (C7)		ow Aquitard (D3)
Inundation Visible on Aerial Imagery (B7) Sparsely Vegetated Concave Surface (B			topographic Relief (D4) Neutral Test (D5)
	<u> </u>	<u></u>	Neutral Test (D3)
Field Observations:	No. V. Beath (Seekee)		
Surface Water Present? Yes	No X Depth (inches):		
	No X Depth (inches):		Was Na V
Saturation Present? Yes	No X Depth (inches):	Wetland Hydrolog	gy Present? Yes No _X
(includes capillary fringe) Describe Recorded Data (stream gauge, mor	nitoring well perial photos prev	ious inspections) if available:	
Describe Necorded Data (Stream gauge, mor	moning wen, aenai priotos, previ	inspections), il available.	
Remarks:			

VEGETATION – Use scientific names of plants. Sampling Point: W101-1U Absolute Dominant Indicator Tree Stratum (Plot size: 30') % Cover Species? Status **Dominance Test worksheet:** Quercus rubra Yes **FACU Number of Dominant Species** 2. That Are OBL, FACW, or FAC: (A) 3. **Total Number of Dominant** Species Across All Strata: 3 4. (B) 5. Percent of Dominant Species That Are OBL, FACW, or FAC: 6. (A/B) Prevalence Index worksheet: 55 =Total Cover Total % Cover of: Multiply by: Sapling/Shrub Stratum (Plot size: 15' OBL species 0 x 1 = 1. Corylus cornuta FACU **FACW** species 5 x 2 = 10 2. **FAC** species 15 x 3 =3. FACU species 75 x 4 = 0 4. **UPL** species x 5 = 95 355 (B) 5. Column Totals: (A) Prevalence Index = B/A = 3.74 6. **Hydrophytic Vegetation Indicators:** 7. 1 - Rapid Test for Hydrophytic Vegetation =Total Cover Herb Stratum (Plot size: 2 - Dominance Test is >50% 20 FACU 3 - Prevalence Index is ≤3.01 1. Maianthemum canadense Yes 4 - Morphological Adaptations¹ (Provide supporting 2. Trientalis borealis 15 Yes FAC data in Remarks or on a separate sheet) Equisetum pratense 5 No **FACW** 3. 4. Problematic Hydrophytic Vegetation¹ (Explain) 5. ¹Indicators of hydric soil and wetland hydrology must be 6. present, unless disturbed or problematic. 7. **Definitions of Vegetation Strata:** 8. **Tree** – Woody plants 3 in. (7.6 cm) or more in diameter 9. at breast height (DBH), regardless of height. 10. Sapling/shrub - Woody plants less than 3 in. DBH and greater than or equal to 3.28 ft (1 m) tall. Herb - All herbaceous (non-woody) plants, regardless 40 =Total Cover of size, and woody plants less than 3.28 ft tall. 30' Woody Vine Stratum (Plot size: Woody vines - All woody vines greater than 3.28 ft in 1. height. 2. Hydrophytic 3. Vegetation Yes ____ Present? No X =Total Cover Remarks: (Include photo numbers here or on a separate sheet.)

SOIL Sampling Point: W101-1U

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Depth	Matrix			x Featur		12	Taratama	Damada		
(inches)	Color (moist)	%	Color (moist)	<u>%</u>	Type ¹	Loc ²	Texture	Remarks	<u> </u>	
0-6	10YR 3/2	100					Loamy/Clayey			
6-24	10YR 6/8	100					Loamy/Clayey			
				,						
¹ Type: C=Co	oncentration, D=Deple	etion, RM	l=Reduced Matrix, M	S=Mask	ed Sand	Grains.	² Location: PL=Pore I	Lining, M=Matrix	ζ.	
Hydric Soil I							Indicators for Proble	-		
Histosol			Dark Surface ((00) (1		2 cm Muck (A10)			
	oipedon (A2)		Polyvalue Belo MLRA 149B		ce (S8) (L	.KK K,	Coast Prairie Re		·	
Black His	n Sulfide (A4)		Thin Dark Surf	•	(I RR R	MIRA 1	5 cm Mucky Pea Polyvalue Below			
	Layers (A5)		High Chroma S				Thin Dark Surface		-	
	Below Dark Surface	(A11)	Loamy Mucky				Iron-Manganese		·	
	ırk Surface (A12)	, ,	Loamy Gleyed			. ,	Piedmont Floodp			
Mesic Sp	oodic (A17)		Depleted Matri	x (F3)			Red Parent Mate	erial (F21) (outs	ide MLRA 145)	
(MLR	A 144A, 145, 149B)		Redox Dark Su	urface (F	6)		Very Shallow Da)	
	ucky Mineral (S1)		Depleted Dark				Other (Explain in	Remarks)		
	leyed Matrix (S4)		Redox Depress		3)		3, ,, ,			
	edox (S5) Matrix (S6)		Marl (F10) (LR Red Parent Ma		24\ /MI D	A 14E)	³ Indicators of hydrol			
Suipped	Matrix (56)		Red Parent Ma	iteriai (F	21) (IVILR	A 140)	wetland hydrology must be present, unless disturbed or problematic.			
Restrictive L	ayer (if observed):						unioso diotarbe	sa or probleman	0.	
Type:	, ,									
Depth (ir	nches):						Hydric Soil Present?	Yes	No_X	
Remarks:	,									
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WETLAND DETERMINATION DATA SHEET – Northcentral and Northeast Region

See ERDC/EL TR-12-1; the proponent agency is CECW-CO-R

Project/Site: Northwoods Regional Trail - Phase 1A	City/County: Aitkin County Sampling Date: 6/24/2024				
Applicant/Owner: Aitkin County	State: MN Sampling Point: W101-1W				
Investigator(s): Danny Perrault	Section, Township, Range: 24, 45N, 24W				
	ocal relief (concave, convex, none): concave Slope %: 0-2				
Subregion (LRR or MLRA): LRR K Lat: N/A	Long: N/A Datum: NAD 83				
Soil Map Unit Name: Rifle mucky peat, 0 to 1 percent slopes, occasion					
Are climatic / hydrologic conditions on the site typical for this time of year	<u> </u>				
Are Vegetation, Soil, or Hydrologysignificantly d					
Are Vegetation, Soil, or Hydrologynaturally prob	lematic? (If needed, explain any answers in Remarks.)				
SUMMARY OF FINDINGS – Attach site map showing s	sampling point locations, transects, important features, etc.				
Hydrophytic Vegetation Present? Yes X No	Is the Sampled Area				
Hydric Soil Present? Yes X No	within a Wetland? Yes X No				
Wetland Hydrology Present? Yes X No	If yes, optional Wetland Site ID:				
Remarks: (Explain alternative procedures here or in a separate report.					
Climatic conditions are wet for this time of the year.					
HYDROLOGY					
Wetland Hydrology Indicators:	Secondary Indicators (minimum of two required)				
Primary Indicators (minimum of one is required; check all that apply)	Surface Soil Cracks (B6)				
X Surface Water (A1) Water-Stained Leav	es (B9) Drainage Patterns (B10)				
X High Water Table (A2) Aquatic Fauna (B13	Moss Trim Lines (B16)				
X Saturation (A3) Marl Deposits (B15)	Dry-Season Water Table (C2)				
Water Marks (B1)Hydrogen Sulfide O					
	res on Living Roots (C3) Saturation Visible on Aerial Imagery (C9)				
Drift Deposits (B3) Presence of Reduce					
Algal Mat or Crust (B4) Iron Deposits (B5) Recent Iron Reducti Thin Muck Surface (on in Tilled Soils (C6) X Geomorphic Position (D2) (C7) Shallow Aquitard (D3)				
Inundation Visible on Aerial Imagery (B7) Other (Explain in Re	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·				
Sparsely Vegetated Concave Surface (B8)	X FAC-Neutral Test (D5)				
Field Observations:					
Surface Water Present? Yes X No Depth (inch	nes): 6				
Water Table Present? Yes X No Depth (inch	·				
Saturation Present? Yes X No Depth (inch	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·				
(includes capillary fringe)					
Describe Recorded Data (stream gauge, monitoring well, aerial photos,	previous inspections), if available:				
Remarks:					

VEGETATION – Use scientific names of plants. Sampling Point: W101-1W Absolute Dominant Indicator Tree Stratum (Plot size: 30') % Cover Species? Status **Dominance Test worksheet:** Acer rubrum 25 Yes FAC **Number of Dominant Species** 2. That Are OBL, FACW, or FAC: (A) 3. **Total Number of Dominant** Species Across All Strata: (B) 4. 5. Percent of Dominant Species 6. That Are OBL, FACW, or FAC: 100.0% (A/B) Prevalence Index worksheet: Multiply by: 25 =Total Cover Total % Cover of: 50 Sapling/Shrub Stratum (Plot size: 15' **OBL** species 50 x 1 = x 2 = 1. Frangula alnus FAC **FACW** species 45 90 2. **FAC** species 40 x 3 = 120 3. **FACU** species 2 x 4 = **UPL** species 0 4. x 5 = 137 268 5. Column Totals: (A) (B) Prevalence Index = B/A = 1.96 6. **Hydrophytic Vegetation Indicators:** 7. =Total Cover 1 - Rapid Test for Hydrophytic Vegetation X 2 - Dominance Test is >50% Herb Stratum (Plot size: 50 OBL X 3 - Prevalence Index is ≤3.0¹ 1. Carex stricta Yes 4 - Morphological Adaptations¹ (Provide supporting 2. Phalaris arundinacea 45 Yes **FACW** data in Remarks or on a separate sheet) Frangula alnus 10 No FAC 3. 4. Pinus strobus 2 No **FACU** Problematic Hydrophytic Vegetation¹ (Explain) 5. ¹Indicators of hydric soil and wetland hydrology must be 6

6.		present, unless disturbed or problematic.
7		Definitions of Vegetation Strata:
8. 9.		Tree – Woody plants 3 in. (7.6 cm) or more in diameter at breast height (DBH), regardless of height.
10		 Sapling/shrub – Woody plants less than 3 in. DBH and greater than or equal to 3.28 ft (1 m) tall.
12	107 =Total Cover	 Herb – All herbaceous (non-woody) plants, regardless of size, and woody plants less than 3.28 ft tall.
<u>Woody Vine Stratum</u> (Plot size:30') 1		Woody vines – All woody vines greater than 3.28 ft in height.
2. 3. 4.		Hydrophytic Vegetation Present? Yes X No

=Total Cover

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

SOIL Sampling Point: W101-1W

Profile Desci Depth	ription: (Describe t Matrix	o the de		ment the x Feature		or or cor	firm the absence of inc	dicators.)	
(inches)	Color (moist)	%	Color (moist)	%	Type ¹	Loc ²	Texture	Remarks	
0-15	10YR 2/1	100					Muck		
15-24	10YR 5/1	100					Loomy/Clayov		
15-24	1018 5/1	100					Loamy/Clayey		
					-				
					-			_	
		etion, RM	=Reduced Matrix, M	S=Mask	ed Sand	Grains.		=Pore Lining, M=Matrix.	
Hydric Soil II			D = vl = 0 = v(= = = = (07\				Problematic Hydric Soils ³ :	
Histosol (Dark Surface (Polyvalue Belo		oo (S9) (I	DD D		((A10) (LRR K, L, MLRA 149B)	
X Black His			MLRA 149B		Je (36) (L	.KK K,		rie Redox (A16) (LRR K, L, R) sy Peat or Peat (S3) (LRR K, L, R)	
	n Sulfide (A4)		Thin Dark Surfa	,	(LRR R.	MLRA 1		Below Surface (S8) (LRR K, L)	
	Layers (A5)		High Chroma S					Surface (S9) (LRR K, L)	
	Below Dark Surface	(A11)	Loamy Mucky					anese Masses (F12) (LRR K, L, R)	
X Thick Da	rk Surface (A12)		Loamy Gleyed	Matrix (F	=2)		Piedmont	Floodplain Soils (F19) (MLRA 149B)	
	odic (A17)		Depleted Matri					nt Material (F21) (outside MLRA 145)	
•	A 144A, 145, 149B)		Redox Dark Su	•	,			ow Dark Surface (F22)	
	ucky Mineral (S1)		Depleted Dark				Other (Exp	olain in Remarks)	
	leyed Matrix (S4)		Redox Depress		5)		³ Indicators	of hydrophytic vagotation and	
	edox (S5) Matrix (S6)		Marl (F10) (LRR K, L) Red Parent Material (F21) (MLRA 145)				³ Indicators of hydrophytic vegetation and wetland hydrology must be present,		
	Wallix (OO)			ttoriai (i z	= 1) (III.E.I (A 140)		listurbed or problematic.	
Restrictive L	ayer (if observed):							·	
Type:									
Depth (in	ches):						Hydric Soil Present	? Yes X No	
Remarks:									

WETLAND DETERMINATION DATA SHEET – Northcentral and Northeast Region

See ERDC/EL TR-12-1; the proponent agency is CECW-CO-R

Project/Site: Northwoods Regional Trail - Ph	nase 1A	City/County: Aitkin Co	ounty	Sampling Date: 6/24/2024
Applicant/Owner: Aitkin County			State: MN	Sampling Point: W102-1U
Investigator(s): Danny Perrault		Section, Tow	nship, Range: 24, 45N, 2	 24W
Landform (hillside, terrace, etc.): rise	Local re		, none): convex	Slope %: 2-4
Subregion (LRR or MLRA): LRR K	Lat: N/A	Long:		Datum: NAD 83
Soil Map Unit Name: Rifle mucky peat, 0 to			NWI classification:	
	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·			
Are climatic / hydrologic conditions on the site		Yes	No X (If no, e	
Are Vegetation, Soil, or Hydro			al Circumstances" preser	nt? Yes X No
Are Vegetation, Soil, or Hydro	logynaturally problemat	tic? (If needed,	explain any answers in F	Remarks.)
SUMMARY OF FINDINGS – Attach	site map showing samp	pling point locati	ons, transects, imp	portant features, etc.
Hydrophytic Vegetation Present?	Yes No X	Is the Sampled Are	e a	
Hydric Soil Present?	Yes No X	within a Wetland?	Yes	No X
Wetland Hydrology Present?	Yes No X	If yes, optional Wetl		
Remarks: (Explain alternative procedures he				
Climatic conditions are wet for this time of the	e year.			
HYDROLOGY				
Wetland Hydrology Indicators:			Secondary Indicators (mi	inimum of two required)
Primary Indicators (minimum of one is require	ed: check all that apply)	•	Surface Soil Cracks	
Surface Water (A1)	Water-Stained Leaves (B	39)	Drainage Patterns (E	` '
High Water Table (A2)	Aquatic Fauna (B13)	•	Moss Trim Lines (B1	,
Saturation (A3)	Marl Deposits (B15)	-	Dry-Season Water T	·
Water Marks (B1)	Hydrogen Sulfide Odor (C	C1)	Crayfish Burrows (C	
Sediment Deposits (B2)	Oxidized Rhizospheres of	-	Saturation Visible or	·
Drift Deposits (B3)	Presence of Reduced Iron	-	Stunted or Stressed	
Algal Mat or Crust (B4)	Recent Iron Reduction in	· ' ' -	Geomorphic Position	
Iron Deposits (B5)	Thin Muck Surface (C7)	· · · · ·	Shallow Aquitard (D3	3)
Inundation Visible on Aerial Imagery (B7)	Other (Explain in Remark	(s)	Microtopographic Re	
Sparsely Vegetated Concave Surface (B			FAC-Neutral Test (D	
Field Observations:		I		
Surface Water Present? Yes	No X Depth (inches):			
Water Table Present? Yes	No X Depth (inches):			
Saturation Present? Yes	No X Depth (inches):		Hydrology Present?	Yes No _ X
(includes capillary fringe)				
Describe Recorded Data (stream gauge, mor	nitoring well, aerial photos, previ	rious inspections), if av	ailable:	
Remarks:				

VEGETATION – Use scientific names of plants. Sampling Point: W102-1U Absolute Dominant Indicator Tree Stratum (Plot size: 30') % Cover Species? Status **Dominance Test worksheet:** Acer rubrum 30 Yes FAC **Number of Dominant Species** 2. Quercus rubra 25 Yes FACU That Are OBL, FACW, or FAC: (A) 3. **Total Number of Dominant** Species Across All Strata: 4. (B) 5. Percent of Dominant Species That Are OBL, FACW, or FAC: 6. (A/B) Prevalence Index worksheet: 55 =Total Cover Total % Cover of: Multiply by: Sapling/Shrub Stratum (Plot size: 15' OBL species 0 x 1 = 1. Corylus cornuta FACU **FACW** species 5 x 2 = 10 2. **FAC** species 30 x 3 =3. **FACU** species 70 x 4 = 35 4. **UPL** species x 5 = 175 140 555 (B) 5. Column Totals: (A) Prevalence Index = B/A = 6. 3.96 **Hydrophytic Vegetation Indicators:** 7. 1 - Rapid Test for Hydrophytic Vegetation =Total Cover Herb Stratum (Plot size: 2 - Dominance Test is >50% UPL 3 - Prevalence Index is ≤3.01 1. Eurybia macrophylla 35 Yes 4 - Morphological Adaptations¹ (Provide supporting 2. Vaccinium angustifolium 30 Yes **FACU** data in Remarks or on a separate sheet) Pteridium aquilinum 15 No **FACU** 3. 4. Rubus pubescens 5 No **FACW** Problematic Hydrophytic Vegetation¹ (Explain) 5. ¹Indicators of hydric soil and wetland hydrology must be 6. present, unless disturbed or problematic. 7. **Definitions of Vegetation Strata:** 8. **Tree** – Woody plants 3 in. (7.6 cm) or more in diameter 9. at breast height (DBH), regardless of height. 10. Sapling/shrub - Woody plants less than 3 in. DBH and greater than or equal to 3.28 ft (1 m) tall. Herb – All herbaceous (non-woody) plants, regardless 85 =Total Cover of size, and woody plants less than 3.28 ft tall. 30' Woody Vine Stratum (Plot size: Woody vines - All woody vines greater than 3.28 ft in 1. height. 2. Hydrophytic 3. Vegetation Yes ____ Present?

=Total Cover

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

No X

SOIL Sampling Point: W102-1U

		o the de				or or cor	nfirm the absence of indicator	s.)		
Depth	Matrix	0/		x Featur		12	Technol	D		
(inches)	Color (moist)	%	Color (moist)	<u>%</u>	Type ¹	Loc ²	Texture	Remarks		
0-6	10YR 5/2	100					Sandy			
6-24	10YR 5/4	100					Sandy			
-										
¹ Type: C=Co	oncentration, D=Deple	etion, RM	l=Reduced Matrix, M	S=Mask	ed Sand	Grains.	² Location: PL=Pore L	ining, M=Matrix		
Hydric Soil I	ndicators:						Indicators for Proble	ematic Hydric S	ioils³:	
Histosol	(A1)		Dark Surface (S7)			2 cm Muck (A10)	(LRR K, L, MLF	RA 149B)	
	ipedon (A2)		Polyvalue Belo		ce (S8) (L	.RR R,	Coast Prairie Rec		·	
Black His			MLRA 149B	•			5 cm Mucky Peat			
	n Sulfide (A4)		Thin Dark Surf						·	
	Layers (A5)	(//11)	High Chroma S				Thin Dark Surface		•	
	Below Dark Surface rk Surface (A12)	(ATT)	Loamy Mucky Loamy Gleyed			(K , L)	Iron-Manganese Piedmont Floodp		·	
	podic (A17)		Depleted Matri		۷)		Red Parent Mate			
	A 144A, 145, 149B)		Redox Dark Su		6)		Very Shallow Dar			
•	ucky Mineral (S1)		Depleted Dark				Other (Explain in			
Sandy G	leyed Matrix (S4)		Redox Depres	sions (F8	3)					
Sandy R	edox (S5)		Marl (F10) (LR	R K, L)			³ Indicators of hyd	rophytic vegetat	ion and	
Stripped	Matrix (S6)		Red Parent Ma	aterial (F2	21) (MLR	A 145)	wetland hydrology must be present,			
							unless disturbe	d or problemation	D	
	ayer (if observed):									
Type:										
Depth (ir	nches):						Hydric Soil Present?	Yes	No X	
Remarks:										

WETLAND DETERMINATION DATA SHEET – Northcentral and Northeast Region

See ERDC/EL TR-12-1; the proponent agency is CECW-CO-R

Project/Site: Northwoods Regional Trail - Phase 1A	City/C	County: Aitkin County	Sampling Date: 6/24/2024
Applicant/Owner: Aitkin County		State: MN	Sampling Point: W102-1W
Investigator(s): Danny Perrault		Section, Township, Range: 24, 45N, 2	4W
Landform (hillside, terrace, etc.): depression	L ocal relief (c	concave, convex, none): concave	
	N/A	· -	
· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	-	Long: N/A	Datum: NAD 83
Soil Map Unit Name: Rifle mucky peat, 0 to 1 percent sl	opes, occasionally ponded		
Are climatic / hydrologic conditions on the site typical for t	his time of year?	Yes NoX (If no, e.	xplain in Remarks.)
Are Vegetation, Soil, or Hydrology	significantly disturbed?	Are "Normal Circumstances" presen	t? Yes X No
Are Vegetation, Soil, or Hydrology	_naturally problematic?	(If needed, explain any answers in R	temarks.)
SUMMARY OF FINDINGS – Attach site map	showing sampling	g point locations, transects, imp	ortant features, etc.
Hydrophytic Vegetation Present? Yes X	No Is th	he Sampled Area	
Hydric Soil Present? Yes X		hin a Wetland? Yes X	No
Wetland Hydrology Present? Yes X		es, optional Wetland Site ID:	
Remarks: (Explain alternative procedures here or in a s	eparate report.)	·	
Climatic conditions are wet for this time of the year.	., ,		
HYDROLOGY			
Wetland Hydrology Indicators:		Secondary Indicators (mi	nimum of two required)
Primary Indicators (minimum of one is required; check a	I that apply)	Surface Soil Cracks (· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
	r-Stained Leaves (B9)	Drainage Patterns (B	` '
High Water Table (A2) Aqua	tic Fauna (B13)	Moss Trim Lines (B1	6)
	Deposits (B15)	Dry-Season Water Ta	·
 -	ogen Sulfide Odor (C1)	Crayfish Burrows (C8	
Sediment Deposits (B2) Oxidi	zed Rhizospheres on Livin	ng Roots (C3) Saturation Visible on	Aerial Imagery (C9)
Drift Deposits (B3)	ence of Reduced Iron (C4)) Stunted or Stressed	Plants (D1)
Algal Mat or Crust (B4) Rece	nt Iron Reduction in Tilled	I Soils (C6) X Geomorphic Position	(D2)
Iron Deposits (B5) Thin	Muck Surface (C7)	Shallow Aquitard (D3	
Inundation Visible on Aerial Imagery (B7)Other	r (Explain in Remarks)	Microtopographic Re	lief (D4)
Sparsely Vegetated Concave Surface (B8)		X FAC-Neutral Test (D	
Field Observations:			
Surface Water Present? Yes No X	Depth (inches):		
Water Table Present? Yes No X	- I	_	
Saturation Present? Yes X No		Wetland Hydrology Present?	Yes X No
(includes capillary fringe)		_	
Describe Recorded Data (stream gauge, monitoring well	, aerial photos, previous in	nspections), if available:	
Remarks:			

	VEGETATION – Use scientific names of plants.						
Tree Stratum (Plot size:30')	Absolute % Cover	Dominant Species?	Indicator Status	Dominance Test worksheet:			
1. Fraxinus pennsylvanica	35	Yes	FACW	Number of Dominant Species			
2. Populus tremula	20	Yes	FAC	That Are OBL, FACW, or FAC: 3 (A)			
B. Betula papyrifera	10	No	FACU	Total Number of Dominant Species Across All Strata: 4 (B)			
Acer rubrum	10	No	FAC				
5. Quercus rubra	5	No	FACU				
S.				Percent of Dominant Species That Are OBL, FACW, or FAC: 75.0% (A/B			
7.				Prevalence Index worksheet:			
	80	=Total Cover		Total % Cover of: Multiply by:			
Sapling/Shrub Stratum (Plot size: 15')			OBL species 55 x 1 = 55			
. Amelanchier arborea	10	Yes	FACU	FACW species 35 x 2 = 70			
			-	FAC species 30 x 3 = 90			
			-	FACU species 40 x 4 = 160			
				UPL species 10 x 5 = 50			
·				Column Totals: 170 (A) 425 (B			
				Prevalence Index = $B/A = 2.50$			
				Hydrophytic Vegetation Indicators:			
·		=Total Cover		1 - Rapid Test for Hydrophytic Vegetation			
Herb Stratum (Plot size: 5')		- Total Cover		X 2 - Dominance Test is >50%			
	<i></i>	Vaa	OBL	1 			
Carex straminea	55	Yes		X 3 - Prevalence Index is ≤3.0¹			
2. Pteridium aquilinum	15	No No	FACU	4 - Morphological Adaptations ¹ (Provide supporting data in Remarks or on a separate sheet)			
B. Eurybia macrophylla	10	No	<u>UPL</u>	Problematic Hydrophytic Vegetation ¹ (Explain) ¹ Indicators of hydric soil and wetland hydrology must b present, unless disturbed or problematic.			
1							
5 5							
7				Definitions of Vegetation Strata:			
3.				Tree – Woody plants 3 in. (7.6 cm) or more in diamete			
).		'		at breast height (DBH), regardless of height.			
0.				Continuo hauta Noody planta loos than 2 in DDII or			
1.				Sapling/shrub – Woody plants less than 3 in. DBH ar greater than or equal to 3.28 ft (1 m) tall.			
2.							
	80	=Total Cover		Herb – All herbaceous (non-woody) plants, regardle of size, and woody plants less than 3.28 ft tall.			
Voody Vine Stratum (Plot size: 30')	. 0.0					
· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	,			Woody vines – All woody vines greater than 3.28 ft in height.			
·	. ———			neight.			
				Hydrophytic			
3				Vegetation			
		=Total Cover		Present? Yes X No No			
l							

SOIL Sampling Point: W102-1W

	-	o the de				or or cor	nfirm the absence of indi	cators.)	
Depth	Matrix			x Featur		12	Tauduna	Damadia	
(inches)	Color (moist)	<u>%</u>	Color (moist)	<u>%</u>	Type ¹	Loc ²	Texture	Remarks	
0-2	10YR 2/1	100					Loamy/Clayey		
2-6	10YR 5/1	60					Loamy/Clayey	40% of soil is rock	
								_	
	oncentration, D=Deple	etion, RM	I=Reduced Matrix, M	S=Mask	ed Sand	Grains.	² Location: PL=Pore Lining, M=Matrix.		
Hydric Soil I							Indicators for Problematic Hydric Soils ³ :		
— Histosol	, ,		Dark Surface (· - (CO) (I	DD D		(A10) (LRR K, L, MLRA 149B)	
Black His	oipedon (A2)		Polyvalue Belo MLRA 149B		e (58) (L	.KK K,	Coast Prairie Redox (A16) (LRR K, L, R) 5 cm Mucky Peat or Peat (S3) (LRR K, L, R)		
	n Sulfide (A4)		Thin Dark Surf	•	(LRR R.	MLRA 1		elow Surface (S8) (LRR K, L)	
	Layers (A5)		High Chroma S					urface (S9) (LRR K, L)	
	Below Dark Surface	(A11)	Loamy Mucky					nese Masses (F12) (LRR K, L, R)	
Thick Da	rk Surface (A12)		Loamy Gleyed	Matrix (F	- 2)		Piedmont FI	oodplain Soils (F19) (MLRA 149B)	
Mesic Sp	oodic (A17)		X Depleted Matri					Material (F21) (outside MLRA 145)	
-	A 144A, 145, 149B)		Redox Dark Su	•	,			w Dark Surface (F22)	
	lucky Mineral (S1)		Depleted Dark		` '		Other (Expla	ain in Remarks)	
	leyed Matrix (S4) edox (S5)		Redox Depress Marl (F10) (LR))		³ Indicators of	of hydrophytic vegetation and	
	Matrix (S6)		Red Parent Ma		21) (MLR	A 145)		ydrology must be present,	
				(1	- · / (,		sturbed or problematic.	
Restrictive L	ayer (if observed):							-	
Type:	rock	<							
Depth (ir	nches):	6					Hydric Soil Present?	Yes <u>X</u> No	
Remarks:									
Rock prevent	ted a deeper soil borii	ng.							

WETLAND DETERMINATION DATA SHEET – Northcentral and Northeast Region

See ERDC/EL TR-12-1; the proponent agency is CECW-CO-R

Project/Site: Northwoods Regional Trail - Phase 1A	City/County: Aitkin Cour	nty	Sampling Date: 6/24/2024
Applicant/Owner: Aitkin County		State: MN	Sampling Point: W103-1U
Investigator(s): Danny Perrault	Section, Towns	hip, Range: 29, 45N, 2	· · ·
	Local relief (concave, convex, no	<u></u>	Slope %: 0-2
Subregion (LRR or MLRA): LRR K Lat: N/A	Long: N/		Datum: NAD 83
	Long. 14/	NWI classification:	
Soil Map Unit Name: Markey muck	- ,,	_	
Are climatic / hydrologic conditions on the site typical for this time of ye			xplain in Remarks.)
Are Vegetation, SoilX_, or Hydrologysignificantly	disturbed? Are "Normal 0	Circumstances" present	t? Yes X No
Are Vegetation, Soil, or Hydrologynaturally pro	blematic? (If needed, ex	xplain any answers in R	temarks.)
SUMMARY OF FINDINGS – Attach site map showing	sampling point location	ns, transects, imp	ortant features, etc.
Hydrophytic Vegetation Present? Yes X No	Is the Sampled Area		
Hydric Soil Present? Yes X No	within a Wetland?	Yes	No X
Wetland Hydrology Present? Yes No X	If yes, optional Wetland		
Remarks: (Explain alternative procedures here or in a separate repor Climatic conditions are wet for this time of the year. Soil is significantly		construction.	
HYDROLOGY			
Wetland Hydrology Indicators:		condary Indicators (mir	nimum of two required)
Primary Indicators (minimum of one is required; check all that apply)		_Surface Soil Cracks ((B6)
Surface Water (A1) Water-Stained Lea	· '	_ Drainage Patterns (B	, i
High Water Table (A2) Aquatic Fauna (B1		_ Moss Trim Lines (B16	·
Saturation (A3) Marl Deposits (B1)	· —	_ Dry-Season Water Ta	· · ·
Water Marks (B1) Hydrogen Sulfide (_ Crayfish Burrows (C8	
	eres on Living Roots (C3)	_Saturation Visible on	
Drift Deposits (B3)Presence of Redu		Stunted or Stressed F	
	tion in Tilled Soils (C6)	Geomorphic Position	` '
Iron Deposits (B5) — Thin Muck Surface Other (Explain in Explain		Shallow Aquitard (D3 Microtopographic Rel	·
Inundation Visible on Aerial Imagery (B7) Other (Explain in F Sparsely Vegetated Concave Surface (B8)		_Microtopographic Rel FAC-Neutral Test (D5	
			7)
Field Observations: Surface Water Present? Yes No X Depth (in-	shool:		
· ` `	ches): ches):		
Water Table Present? Yes No X Depth (in Saturation Present? Yes No X Depth (in Inc.)		ydrology Present?	Yes No X
(includes capillary fringe)	, iles)	yurorogy i rosonii.	163160
Describe Recorded Data (stream gauge, monitoring well, aerial photo	s, previous inspections), if avail-	able:	
Remarks:			

VEGETATION – Use scientific names of plants. Sampling Point: W103-1U Absolute Dominant Indicator Tree Stratum (Plot size: 30') % Cover Species? Status **Dominance Test worksheet: Number of Dominant Species** 2. That Are OBL, FACW, or FAC: 2 (A) 3. **Total Number of Dominant** Species Across All Strata: 2 4. (B) 5. Percent of Dominant Species 100.0% That Are OBL, FACW, or FAC: 6. (A/B) Prevalence Index worksheet: =Total Cover Total % Cover of: Multiply by: Sapling/Shrub Stratum (Plot size: 15' **OBL** species 0 x 1 = 1. **FACW** species 115 x 2 = x 3 = ___ 2. **FAC** species 0 **FACU** species 0 x 4 = 0 4. **UPL** species x 5 = 115 230 (B) 5. Column Totals: (A) Prevalence Index = B/A = 2.00 6. **Hydrophytic Vegetation Indicators:** 7. 1 - Rapid Test for Hydrophytic Vegetation =Total Cover Herb Stratum (Plot size: X 2 - Dominance Test is >50% 70 **FACW** 3 - Prevalence Index is ≤3.01 1. Phalaris arundinacea Yes 4 - Morphological Adaptations¹ (Provide supporting 2. Rubus pubescens 25 Yes **FACW** data in Remarks or on a separate sheet) Solidago gigantea 20 No **FACW** 3. 4. Problematic Hydrophytic Vegetation¹ (Explain) 5. ¹Indicators of hydric soil and wetland hydrology must be 6. present, unless disturbed or problematic. 7. **Definitions of Vegetation Strata:** 8. **Tree** – Woody plants 3 in. (7.6 cm) or more in diameter at breast height (DBH), regardless of height. Sapling/shrub - Woody plants less than 3 in. DBH and greater than or equal to 3.28 ft (1 m) tall. Herb – All herbaceous (non-woody) plants, regardless 115 =Total Cover of size, and woody plants less than 3.28 ft tall. 30' Woody Vine Stratum (Plot size: Woody vines - All woody vines greater than 3.28 ft in 1. height. 2. Hydrophytic 3. Vegetation Present? Yes X No =Total Cover Remarks: (Include photo numbers here or on a separate sheet.)

SOIL Sampling Point: W103-1U

Depth Matrix Redox Features Color (moist) % Type¹ Loc² Texture Remarks 0-3 10YR 2/1 100 Loamy/Clayey 3-24 10YR 5/2 80 10YR 5/8 20 C M Loamy/Clayey Prominent redox concentrations 1 Type: C=Concentration, D=Depletion, RM=Reduced Matrix, MS=Masked Sand Grains. 1 Type: C=Concentration, D=Depletion, RM=Reduced Matrix, MS=Masked Sand Grains. 1 Indicators for Problematic Hydric Soils³:
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3-24 10YR 5/2 80 10YR 5/8 20 C M Loamy/Clayey Prominent redox concentrations 1 Type: C=Concentration, D=Depletion, RM=Reduced Matrix, MS=Masked Sand Grains. 2 Location: PL=Pore Lining, M=Matrix.
¹ Type: C=Concentration, D=Depletion, RM=Reduced Matrix, MS=Masked Sand Grains. ² Location: PL=Pore Lining, M=Matrix.
indicators for Problematic Averic Solls :
Histosol (A1) Dark Surface (S7) 2 cm Muck (A10) (LRR K, L, MLRA 149B)
Histic Epipedon (A2) Polyvalue Below Surface (S8) (LRR R, Coast Prairie Redox (A16) (LRR K, L, R)
Black Histic (A3) MLRA 149B) 5 cm Mucky Peat or Peat (S3) (LRR K, L, R)
Hydrogen Sulfide (A4) Thin Dark Surface (S9) (LRR R, MLRA 149B) Polyvalue Below Surface (S8) (LRR K, L)
Stratified Layers (A5) High Chroma Sands (S11) (LRR K, L) Thin Dark Surface (S9) (LRR K, L)
X Depleted Below Dark Surface (A11) Loamy Mucky Mineral (F1) (LRR K, L) Iron-Manganese Masses (F12) (LRR K, L, R)
Thick Dark Surface (A12) Loamy Gleyed Matrix (F2) Piedmont Floodplain Soils (F19) (MLRA 149B)
Mesic Spodic (A17) X Depleted Matrix (F3) Red Parent Material (F21) (outside MLRA 145)
(MLRA 144A, 145, 149B)Redox Dark Surface (F6)Very Shallow Dark Surface (F22)Sandy Mucky Mineral (S1)Depleted Dark Surface (F7)Other (Explain in Remarks)
Sandy Mucky Mineral (S1) Depleted Dark Surface (F7) Other (Explain in Remarks) Sandy Gleyed Matrix (S4) Redox Depressions (F8)
Sandy Redox (S5) Marl (F10) (LRR K, L) 3Indicators of hydrophytic vegetation and
Stripped Matrix (S6) Red Parent Material (F21) (MLRA 145) wetland hydrology must be present,
unless disturbed or problematic.
Restrictive Layer (if observed):
Type:
Depth (inches): Hydric Soil Present? Yes X No
Remarks:

WETLAND DETERMINATION DATA SHEET – Northcentral and Northeast Region

See ERDC/EL TR-12-1; the proponent agency is CECW-CO-R

Project/Site: Northwoods Regional Trail - Ph	ase 1A	City/County: Aitkin C	ounty	Sampling Date: 6/24/2024
Applicant/Owner: Aitkin County			State: MN	Sampling Point: W103-1W
Investigator(s): Danny Perrault		Section, Tov	vnship, Range: 29, 45N,	
Landform (hillside, terrace, etc.): depressio	n Local re	elief (concave, conve	·	Slope %: 0-3
Subregion (LRR or MLRA): LRR K	Lat: N/A	Long:	· -	Datum: NAD 83
Soil Map Unit Name: Markey muck	Lat. IVA	Long.	NWI classification:	PSS1/EM1Dd
Are climatic / hydrologic conditions on the site	typical for this time of year?	Yes	— No X (If no. 6	explain in Remarks.)
		-	al Circumstances" preser	
Are Vegetation, SoilX_, or Hydro	<u> </u>			
Are Vegetation, Soil, or Hydro SUMMARY OF FINDINGS – Attach			, explain any answers in I ions, transects, im	
	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·			
Hydrophytic Vegetation Present?	Yes X No	Is the Sampled Ar		
Hydric Soil Present?	Yes X No No	within a Wetland?		No
Wetland Hydrology Present? Remarks: (Explain alternative procedures he	Yes X No	If yes, optional We	land Site ID:	
Climatic conditions are wet for this time of the	eyear. Soil is significantly disturl	bed due to previous t	rail construction.	
HYDROLOGY				
Wetland Hydrology Indicators:			Secondary Indicators (m	inimum of two required)
Primary Indicators (minimum of one is require	ed; check all that apply)		Surface Soil Cracks	(B6)
Surface Water (A1)	Water-Stained Leaves (B9	9)	Drainage Patterns (E	310)
X High Water Table (A2)	Aquatic Fauna (B13)		Moss Trim Lines (B1	16)
X Saturation (A3)	Marl Deposits (B15)		Dry-Season Water T	able (C2)
Water Marks (B1)	Hydrogen Sulfide Odor (C	C1)	Crayfish Burrows (C	8)
Sediment Deposits (B2)	Oxidized Rhizospheres or			n Aerial Imagery (C9)
Drift Deposits (B3)	Presence of Reduced Iron		Stunted or Stressed	
Algal Mat or Crust (B4)	Recent Iron Reduction in	Tilled Soils (C6)	X Geomorphic Position	` '
Iron Deposits (B5)	Thin Muck Surface (C7)	- \	Shallow Aquitard (D:	·
Inundation Visible on Aerial Imagery (B7)		S)	Microtopographic Re X FAC-Neutral Test (D	
Sparsely Vegetated Concave Surface (Bi			A FAC-Neutral Test (L	,;;)
Field Observations:	No. V. Danth (inches)			
Surface Water Present? Yes	No X Depth (inches):	10		
Water Table Present? Saturation Present? Yes X Yes X	No Depth (inches): _ No Depth (inches): _	10 0 Wetlan	d Hydrology Present?	Voc. V. No.
Saturation Present? Yes X includes capillary fringe)	No Depth (inches): _		a nyarology Fresent?	Yes <u>X</u> No
Describe Recorded Data (stream gauge, mor	nitoring well, aerial photos, previ	ous inspections), if a	vailable:	
	g, p, p	,,,		
Remarks:				

VEGETATION – Use scientific names of plants. Sampling Point: W103-1W Absolute Dominant Indicator Tree Stratum (Plot size: 30') % Cover Species? Status **Dominance Test worksheet: Number of Dominant Species** 2. That Are OBL, FACW, or FAC: (A) 3. **Total Number of Dominant** Species Across All Strata: 4. (B) 5. Percent of Dominant Species That Are OBL, FACW, or FAC: 6. (A/B) Prevalence Index worksheet: =Total Cover Total % Cover of: Multiply by: Sapling/Shrub Stratum (Plot size: 15' OBL species 25 x 1 = Salix interior 1. **FACW FACW** species 115 x 2 = 230 x 3 = _ 2. **FAC** species 0 3. FACU species 0 x 4 = 0 4. **UPL** species x 5 = 140 255 (B) 5. Column Totals: (A) Prevalence Index = B/A = 1.82 6. **Hydrophytic Vegetation Indicators:** 7. 50 =Total Cover 1 - Rapid Test for Hydrophytic Vegetation Herb Stratum (Plot size: X 2 - Dominance Test is >50% 30 **FACW** X 3 - Prevalence Index is ≤3.0¹ 1. Phalaris arundinacea Yes 4 - Morphological Adaptations¹ (Provide supporting 2. Carex stricta 25 Yes OBL data in Remarks or on a separate sheet) Rubus pubescens 20 Yes **FACW** 3. 4. Salix interior 10 No **FACW** Problematic Hydrophytic Vegetation¹ (Explain) Solidago gigantea **FACW** 5. No ¹Indicators of hydric soil and wetland hydrology must be 6. present, unless disturbed or problematic. 7. **Definitions of Vegetation Strata:** 8. **Tree** – Woody plants 3 in. (7.6 cm) or more in diameter 9. at breast height (DBH), regardless of height. 10. Sapling/shrub - Woody plants less than 3 in. DBH and greater than or equal to 3.28 ft (1 m) tall. Herb – All herbaceous (non-woody) plants, regardless 90 =Total Cover of size, and woody plants less than 3.28 ft tall. 30' Woody Vine Stratum (Plot size: Woody vines - All woody vines greater than 3.28 ft in 1. height. 2. Hydrophytic 3. Vegetation Present? No __ Yes X =Total Cover Remarks: (Include photo numbers here or on a separate sheet.)

SOIL Sampling Point: W103-1W

	ription: (Describe to	o the dep				or or cor	nfirm the absence of indicate	ors.)
Depth	Matrix			x Featur			_	
(inches)	Color (moist)	%	Color (moist)	%	Type ¹	Loc ²	Texture	Remarks
0-3	10YR 3/1	100					Loamy/Clayey	
3-6	10YR 5/8	100					Loamy/Clayey	Trail Fill
6-30	10YR 2/1	100					Loamy/Clayey	
								_
	oncentration, D=Deple	etion, RM	=Reduced Matrix, M	S=Mask	ed Sand	Grains.	² Location: PL=Pore	
Hydric Soil I								lematic Hydric Soils ³ :
Histosol	` '		Dark Surface (0) (LRR K, L, MLRA 149B)
	ipedon (A2)		Polyvalue Belo		ce (S8) (I	RR R,		edox (A16) (LRR K, L, R)
Black His			MLRA 149B					at or Peat (S3) (LRR K, L, R)
	n Sulfide (A4)		Thin Dark Surf					v Surface (S8) (LRR K, L)
	Layers (A5)		High Chroma S					ce (S9) (LRR K, L)
Depleted	Below Dark Surface	(A11)	Loamy Mucky	Mineral (F1) (LRF	R K, L)	Iron-Manganese	e Masses (F12) (LRR K, L, R)
Thick Da	rk Surface (A12)		Loamy Gleyed	Matrix (F	- 2)			plain Soils (F19) (MLRA 149B)
Mesic Sp	oodic (A17)		Depleted Matri					erial (F21) (outside MLRA 145)
(MLR	A 144A, 145, 149B)		Redox Dark Su	ırface (F	6)			ark Surface (F22)
Sandy M	ucky Mineral (S1)		Depleted Dark	Surface	(F7)		X Other (Explain in	n Remarks)
Sandy G	leyed Matrix (S4)		Redox Depress	sions (F8	3)			
Sandy R	edox (S5)		Marl (F10) (LR	R K, L)			³ Indicators of hy	drophytic vegetation and
Stripped	Matrix (S6)		Red Parent Ma	terial (F2	21) (MLR	RA 145)	wetland hydro	plogy must be present,
							unless disturb	oed or problematic.
	.ayer (if observed):							
Type:								
Depth (in	nches):						Hydric Soil Present?	YesX No
Remarks:								

WETLAND DETERMINATION DATA SHEET – Northcentral and Northeast Region

See ERDC/EL TR-12-1; the proponent agency is CECW-CO-R

Project/Site: Northwoods Regional Trail - Ph	nase 1A	City/County: Aitkin C	ounty	Sampling Date: 06/24/2024
Applicant/Owner: Aitkin County			State: MN	Sampling Point: W200-1U
Investigator(s): Duncan Widman		Section, Tov	vnship, Range: 24, 45N,	23W
Landform (hillside, terrace, etc.): hillside	Local re	elief (concave, conve	x, none): convex	Slope %: 3-4
Subregion (LRR or MLRA): LRR K	Lat: N/A	Long:	· -	Datum: NAD 83
Soil Map Unit Name: Cathro-Twig, stony con	nplex, 0-1% slopes, frequently	ponded	NWI classification:	none
Are climatic / hydrologic conditions on the site	,	Yes	No X (If no,	explain in Remarks.)
Are Vegetation, Soil, or Hydrol		-	nal Circumstances" prese	
Are Vegetation, Soil, or Hydrol			, explain any answers in	
SUMMARY OF FINDINGS – Attach				·
Hydrophytic Vegetation Present? Hydric Soil Present?	Yes X No	Is the Sampled Ar within a Wetland?		No Y
Wetland Hydrology Present?	Yes No X	If yes, optional Wet		No X
Remarks: (Explain alternative procedures he Climatic conditions are wet for this time of the	' '			
HYDROLOGY			_	
Wetland Hydrology Indicators:			Secondary Indicators (n	ninimum of two required)
Primary Indicators (minimum of one is require	ed; check all that apply)		Surface Soil Cracks	s (B6)
Surface Water (A1)	Water-Stained Leaves (B	39)	Drainage Patterns ((B10)
High Water Table (A2)	Aquatic Fauna (B13)		Moss Trim Lines (B	16)
Saturation (A3)	Marl Deposits (B15)		Dry-Season Water	Table (C2)
Water Marks (B1)	Hydrogen Sulfide Odor (C	C1)	Crayfish Burrows (C	28)
Sediment Deposits (B2)	Oxidized Rhizospheres o	on Living Roots (C3)	Saturation Visible o	on Aerial Imagery (C9)
Drift Deposits (B3)	Presence of Reduced Iron	n (C4)	Stunted or Stressed	d Plants (D1)
Algal Mat or Crust (B4)	Recent Iron Reduction in	Tilled Soils (C6)	Geomorphic Positio	
Iron Deposits (B5)	Thin Muck Surface (C7)		Shallow Aquitard (D)3)
Inundation Visible on Aerial Imagery (B7)	· 	(s)	Microtopographic R	telief (D4)
Sparsely Vegetated Concave Surface (B	8)		X FAC-Neutral Test (I	D5)
Field Observations:			_	
Surface Water Present? Yes	No X Depth (inches):			
Water Table Present? Yes X	No Depth (inches):	18		
Saturation Present? Yes X	No Depth (inches): _	16 Wetland	d Hydrology Present?	Yes No _X
(includes capillary fringe)				
Describe Recorded Data (stream gauge, mor	nitoring well, aerial photos, prev	vious inspections), if a	available:	
Remarks:				
Remarks.				

VEGETATION – Use scientific names of plants. Sampling Point: W200-1U Absolute Dominant Indicator 30' Tree Stratum (Plot size: % Cover Species? Status **Dominance Test worksheet:** Populus tremuloides 15 Yes FAC 1. **Number of Dominant Species** 2. That Are OBL, FACW, or FAC: 6 (A) 3. **Total Number of Dominant** 4. Species Across All Strata: 6 (B) 5. Percent of Dominant Species 6. That Are OBL, FACW, or FAC: 100.0% (A/B) Prevalence Index worksheet: 15 =Total Cover Total % Cover of: Multiply by: 15' Sapling/Shrub Stratum (Plot size: OBL species x 1 = 15 FAC **FACW** species 45 x 2 = 90 1. Populus tremuloides 2. **FACW** 80 x 3 = Alnus incana Yes FAC species 3. **FACU** species 0 x 4 = UPL species 0 x 5 = 4. 0 5. 125 (A) Column Totals: 330 (B) Prevalence Index = B/A = 6. **Hydrophytic Vegetation Indicators:** 1 - Rapid Test for Hydrophytic Vegetation 20 =Total Cover Herb Stratum (Plot size: 5') X 2 - Dominance Test is >50% Rubus idaeus 40 FAC 3 - Prevalence Index is ≤3.01 1. Yes Solidago gigantea 20 Yes **FACW** 4 - Morphological Adaptations¹ (Provide supporting 2. data in Remarks or on a separate sheet) 20 3. Poa trivialis Yes **FACW** 10 FAC 4 Castilleja coccinea No Problematic Hydrophytic Vegetation¹ (Explain) 5. ¹Indicators of hydric soil and wetland hydrology must 6. be present, unless disturbed or problematic. 7. **Definitions of Vegetation Strata:** 8. Tree - Woody plants 3 in. (7.6 cm) or more in 9. diameter at breast height (DBH), regardless of height. 10. Sapling/shrub - Woody plants less than 3 in. DBH and greater than or equal to 3.28 ft (1 m) tall. 11. Herb - All herbaceous (non-woody) plants, regardless 90 =Total Cover of size, and woody plants less than 3.28 ft tall. Woody Vine Stratum (Plot size: 30' Woody vines - All woody vines greater than 3.28 ft in 1. 2. Hydrophytic 3. Vegetation Present? Yes X No =Total Cover Remarks: (Include photo numbers here or on a separate sheet.)

SOIL Sampling Point: W200-1U

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WETLAND DETERMINATION DATA SHEET – Northcentral and Northeast Region

See ERDC/EL TR-12-1; the proponent agency is CECW-CO-R

Project/Site: Northwoods Regional Trail - Phase	se 1A C	City/County: Aitkin Co	ounty	Sampling Date: 06/24/2024
Applicant/Owner: Aitkin County			State: MN	Sampling Point: W200-1W
Investigator(s): Duncan Widman		Section, Tow	/nship, Range: 24, 45N,	23W
Landform (hillside, terrace, etc.): toe slope	Local rel	lief (concave, convex	c, none): concave	Slope %: 1-2
Subregion (LRR or MLRA): LRR K	Lat: N/A	Long:	•	Datum: NAD 83
Soil Map Unit Name: Cathro-Twig, stony comple	lex, 0-1% slopes, frequently p	onded	NWI classification:	none
Are climatic / hydrologic conditions on the site typ		Yes	— No X (If no, €	explain in Remarks.)
Are Vegetation, Soil, or Hydrolog			al Circumstances" prese	
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SUMMARY OF FINDINGS – Attach sit	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·			
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•	es X No	If yes, optional Wet		
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HYDROLOGY				
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Surface Water (A1)	Water-Stained Leaves (B9))	Drainage Patterns (I	•
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Sediment Deposits (B2)	Oxidized Rhizospheres on	•	`	n Aerial Imagery (C9)
Drift Deposits (B3)	Presence of Reduced Iron		Stunted or Stressed	,
Algal Mat or Crust (B4)	Recent Iron Reduction in T	Tilled Soils (C6)	X Geomorphic Position	n (D2)
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Describe Recorded Data (stream gauge, monito	oring well, aerial photos, previ	ious inspections), if a	available:	
Remarks: Surface water is present approximately one foot	at portheast of the sample poir	nt		
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VEGETATION – Use scientific names of plants. Sampling Point: W200-1W Absolute Dominant Indicator 30' Tree Stratum (Plot size: % Cover Species? Status **Dominance Test worksheet:** Populus tremuloides 5 Yes FAC 1. **Number of Dominant Species** 2. That Are OBL, FACW, or FAC: (A) 3. **Total Number of Dominant** 4. Species Across All Strata: 4 (B) 5. Percent of Dominant Species 6. That Are OBL, FACW, or FAC: 100.0% (A/B) Prevalence Index worksheet: 5 =Total Cover Total % Cover of: Multiply by: 15' Sapling/Shrub Stratum (Plot size: OBL species x 1 = FAC **FACW** species 110 x 2 = 220 1. Populus tremuloides 2. **FACW** 25 x 3 = Alnus incana Yes FAC species 3. **FACU** species 0 x 4 = UPL species 0 x 5 = 0 4. 5. 135 (A) 295 Column Totals: (B) Prevalence Index = B/A = 6. **Hydrophytic Vegetation Indicators:** 1 - Rapid Test for Hydrophytic Vegetation 20 =Total Cover X 2 - Dominance Test is >50% Herb Stratum (Plot size: Phalaris arundinacea **FACW** X 3 - Prevalence Index is ≤3.01 1. Yes 2. Poa trivialis 15 No **FACW** 4 - Morphological Adaptations¹ (Provide supporting data in Remarks or on a separate sheet) 3. Rubus idaeus 10 No FAC 5 **FACW** 4 Solidago gigantea No Problematic Hydrophytic Vegetation¹ (Explain) 5. ¹Indicators of hydric soil and wetland hydrology must 6. be present, unless disturbed or problematic. 7. **Definitions of Vegetation Strata:** 8. Tree - Woody plants 3 in. (7.6 cm) or more in 9. diameter at breast height (DBH), regardless of height. 10. Sapling/shrub - Woody plants less than 3 in. DBH and greater than or equal to 3.28 ft (1 m) tall. 11. Herb - All herbaceous (non-woody) plants, regardless 110 =Total Cover of size, and woody plants less than 3.28 ft tall. Woody Vine Stratum (Plot size: 30' Woody vines - All woody vines greater than 3.28 ft in 1. 2. Hydrophytic 3. Vegetation Present? Yes X No =Total Cover Remarks: (Include photo numbers here or on a separate sheet.)

SOIL Sampling Point: W200-1W

WETLAND DETERMINATION DATA SHEET – Northcentral and Northeast Region

See ERDC/EL TR-12-1; the proponent agency is CECW-CO-R

Project/Site: Northwoods Regional Trail - Ph	ase 1A	City/County: Aitkin County	Sampling Date: 06/25/2024
Applicant/Owner: Aitkin County		Stat	e: MN Sampling Point: W202-1U
Investigator(s): Duncan Widman		Section, Township, Range	e: 24, 45N, 23W
Landform (hillside, terrace, etc.): hillside	Local re	elief (concave, convex, none): conv	•
Subregion (LRR or MLRA): LRR K	Lat: N/A	Long: N/A	
Soil Map Unit Name: Cebana-Giese, frequen			ssification: none
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Are climatic / hydrologic conditions on the site			(If no, explain in Remarks.)
Are Vegetation, SoilX_, or Hydro			· —
Are Vegetation, Soil, or Hydro	<u> </u>		
SUMMARY OF FINDINGS – Attach	site map showing samp	oling point locations, trans	sects, important features, etc.
Hydrophytic Vegetation Present?	Yes X No	Is the Sampled Area	
Hydric Soil Present?	Yes No X	within a Wetland?	Yes No _ X
Wetland Hydrology Present?	Yes No X	If yes, optional Wetland Site ID:	
Remarks: (Explain alternative procedures he	re or in a separate report.)		
Climatic conditions are wet for this time of the	year. Soil is disturbed due to p	revious trail construction	
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HYDROLOGY			
Wetland Hydrology Indicators:		· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	ndicators (minimum of two required)
Primary Indicators (minimum of one is require			Soil Cracks (B6)
Surface Water (A1)	Water-Stained Leaves (B		e Patterns (B10)
High Water Table (A2)	Aquatic Fauna (B13)		m Lines (B16)
Saturation (A3)	Marl Deposits (B15)		son Water Table (C2)
Water Marks (B1)	Hydrogen Sulfide Odor (C		Burrows (C8)
Sediment Deposits (B2)	Oxidized Rhizospheres or	· · · · —	on Visible on Aerial Imagery (C9)
Drift Deposits (B3)	Presence of Reduced Iron		or Stressed Plants (D1)
Algal Mat or Crust (B4)	Recent Iron Reduction in	` '	ohic Position (D2)
Iron Deposits (B5)	Thin Muck Surface (C7)		Aquitard (D3)
Inundation Visible on Aerial Imagery (B7)		<i></i> '	ographic Relief (D4)
Sparsely Vegetated Concave Surface (Bi	3)	X FAC-Nei	utral Test (D5)
Field Observations:			
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Water Table Present? Yes X	No Depth (inches):		
Saturation Present? Yes X	No Depth (inches):	18 Wetland Hydrology	Present? Yes No X
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VEGETATION – Use scientific names of plants. Sampling Point: W202-1U Absolute Dominant Indicator Tree Stratum (Plot size: 30') % Cover Species? Status **Dominance Test worksheet: Number of Dominant Species** 2. That Are OBL, FACW, or FAC: 3 (A) 3. **Total Number of Dominant** Species Across All Strata: 4. (B) 5. Percent of Dominant Species That Are OBL, FACW, or FAC: 6. (A/B) Prevalence Index worksheet: =Total Cover Total % Cover of: Multiply by: Sapling/Shrub Stratum (Plot size: 15' OBL species 0 x 1 = 1. Alnus incana **FACW FACW** species 70 x 2 = x 3 = 2. **FAC** species 5 15 3. FACU species 40 x 4 = 10 4. **UPL** species x 5 = 125 365 (B) 5. Column Totals: (A) Prevalence Index = B/A = 2.92 6. 7. **Hydrophytic Vegetation Indicators:** 10 =Total Cover 1 - Rapid Test for Hydrophytic Vegetation Herb Stratum (Plot size: 5') X 2 - Dominance Test is >50% 40 **FACW** 3 - Prevalence Index is ≤3.01 1. Solidago gigantea Yes 4 - Morphological Adaptations¹ (Provide supporting 2. Corylus cornuta 20 Yes **FACU** data in Remarks or on a separate sheet) Poa trivialis 20 Yes **FACW** 3. Rubus allegheniensis 10 No **FACU** Problematic Hydrophytic Vegetation¹ (Explain) 4. Phleum pratense 10 **FACU** 5. No ¹Indicators of hydric soil and wetland hydrology must be Hieracium caespitosum 5 No UPL present, unless disturbed or problematic. 6. Calystegia sepium 7. 5 No FAC **Definitions of Vegetation Strata:** 5 UPL Apocynum androsaemifolium No 8. **Tree** – Woody plants 3 in. (7.6 cm) or more in diameter 9. at breast height (DBH), regardless of height. 10. Sapling/shrub - Woody plants less than 3 in. DBH and greater than or equal to 3.28 ft (1 m) tall. Herb – All herbaceous (non-woody) plants, regardless 115 =Total Cover of size, and woody plants less than 3.28 ft tall. 30' Woody Vine Stratum (Plot size: Woody vines - All woody vines greater than 3.28 ft in 1. height. 2. Hydrophytic 3. Vegetation Present? No __ Yes X =Total Cover Remarks: (Include photo numbers here or on a separate sheet.)

SOIL Sampling Point: W202-1U

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Remarks:	Depth (II	ncnes):						Hyaric	Soli Prese	nt?	Yes	No	<u> </u>
Redox features from 0"-26" are believed to be mixed in from previous soil disturbance and are not considered concentrations or depletions.													

WETLAND DETERMINATION DATA SHEET – Northcentral and Northeast Region

See ERDC/EL TR-12-1; the proponent agency is CECW-CO-R

Project/Site: Northwoods Regional Trail - Phase 1A	City/County: Aitkin County	Sampling Date: 06/25/2024
Applicant/Owner: Aitkin County	State:	MN Sampling Point: W202-1W
Investigator(s): Duncan Widman	Section, Township, Range: 2	 4, 45N, 23W
Landform (hillside, terrace, etc.): depression	Local relief (concave, convex, none): concave	
Subregion (LRR or MLRA): LRR K Lat: N/A	Long: N/A	Datum: NAD 83
Soil Map Unit Name: Cebana-Giese, frequently ponded Ronnet		
Are climatic / hydrologic conditions on the site typical for this time	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	(If no, explain in Remarks.)
Are Vegetation, Soil, or Hydrologysignific		
Are Vegetation, Soil, or Hydrologynatural		
SUMMARY OF FINDINGS – Attach site map show	ring sampling point locations, transec	ets, important features, etc.
Hydrophytic Vegetation Present? Yes X No	Is the Sampled Area	
Hydric Soil Present? Yes X No	within a Wetland? Yes	<u> </u>
Wetland Hydrology Present? Yes X No _	If yes, optional Wetland Site ID:	
Remarks: (Explain alternative procedures here or in a separate		
Climatic conditions are wet for this time of the year. Soil is distur	ped due to being taken in a existing ATV trail	
HYDROLOGY		
Wetland Hydrology Indicators:	Secondary Indic	ators (minimum of two required)
Primary Indicators (minimum of one is required; check all that ap	ply) Surface Soil	Cracks (B6)
Surface Water (A1)Water-Staine	d Leaves (B9) Drainage Pa	atterns (B10)
X High Water Table (A2) Aquatic Faun	a (B13) Moss Trim L	Lines (B16)
X Saturation (A3) Marl Deposits	S (B15) Dry-Season	Water Table (C2)
Water Marks (B1) Hydrogen Su	fide Odor (C1) Crayfish Bu	rrows (C8)
Sediment Deposits (B2) Oxidized Rhiz	cospheres on Living Roots (C3) Saturation V	isible on Aerial Imagery (C9)
Drift Deposits (B3) Presence of	Reduced Iron (C4) Stunted or S	Stressed Plants (D1)
Algal Mat or Crust (B4) Recent Iron F	Reduction in Tilled Soils (C6) X Geomorphic	Position (D2)
Iron Deposits (B5) Thin Muck St	ırface (C7) Shallow Aqu	uitard (D3)
Inundation Visible on Aerial Imagery (B7) Other (Explai	n in Remarks) Microtopogr	aphic Relief (D4)
Sparsely Vegetated Concave Surface (B8)	X FAC-Neutra	l Test (D5)
Field Observations:		
Surface Water Present? Yes No _X Dep	th (inches):	
	th (inches): 9	
	th (inches): 1 Wetland Hydrology Pre	sent? Yes X No
(includes capillary fringe)		
Describe Recorded Data (stream gauge, monitoring well, aerial	photos, previous inspections), if available:	
Remarks:		

VEGETATION – Use scientific names of plants. Sampling Point: W202-1W Absolute Dominant Indicator Tree Stratum (Plot size: 30') % Cover Species? Status **Dominance Test worksheet: Number of Dominant Species** 2. That Are OBL, FACW, or FAC: 2 (A) 3. **Total Number of Dominant** Species Across All Strata: 3 4. (B) 5. Percent of Dominant Species That Are OBL, FACW, or FAC: 6. (A/B) Prevalence Index worksheet: =Total Cover Total % Cover of: Multiply by: Sapling/Shrub Stratum (Plot size: 15' **OBL** species 10 x 1 = 10 1. Alnus incana **FACW FACW** species 75 x 2 = 150 x 3 = 2. **FAC** species 0 3. FACU species 65 x 4 = 0 4. **UPL** species x 5 = 150 420 (B) 5. Column Totals: (A) Prevalence Index = B/A = 2.80 6. **Hydrophytic Vegetation Indicators:** 7. 25 =Total Cover 1 - Rapid Test for Hydrophytic Vegetation Herb Stratum (Plot size: X 2 - Dominance Test is >50% **FACW** X 3 - Prevalence Index is ≤3.0¹ 1. Phalaris arundinacea 50 Yes 4 - Morphological Adaptations¹ (Provide supporting 2. Pteridium aquilinum 35 Yes **FACU** data in Remarks or on a separate sheet) Phleum pratense 20 No FACU 3. Poa annua 10 No **FACU** Problematic Hydrophytic Vegetation¹ (Explain) 4. Cicuta maculata OBL 5. No ¹Indicators of hydric soil and wetland hydrology must be 6. present, unless disturbed or problematic. 7. **Definitions of Vegetation Strata:** 8. **Tree** – Woody plants 3 in. (7.6 cm) or more in diameter 9. at breast height (DBH), regardless of height. 10. Sapling/shrub - Woody plants less than 3 in. DBH and greater than or equal to 3.28 ft (1 m) tall. Herb – All herbaceous (non-woody) plants, regardless 125 =Total Cover of size, and woody plants less than 3.28 ft tall. 30' Woody Vine Stratum (Plot size: Woody vines - All woody vines greater than 3.28 ft in 1. height. 2. Hydrophytic 3. Vegetation Present? No __ Yes X =Total Cover Remarks: (Include photo numbers here or on a separate sheet.)

SOIL Sampling Point: W202-1W

Depth (inches) Matrix (inches) Redox Features (inches) Type¹ Loc² Texture Remarks 0-8 10YR 4/2 100 Loamy/Clayey Loamy/Clayey 8-25 10YR 5/2 100 Sandy
0-8 10YR 4/2 100 Loamy/Clayey
8-25 10YR 5/2 100 Sandy
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¹ Type: C=Concentration, D=Depletion, RM=Reduced Matrix, MS=Masked Sand Grains. ² Location: PL=Pore Lining, M=Matrix.
Hydric Soil Indicators: Indicators for Problematic Hydric Soils ³ : Histosol (A1) Dark Surface (S7) 2 cm Muck (A10) (LRR K, L, MLRA 149B)
Histic Epipedon (A2) Polyvalue Below Surface (S8) (LRR R, Coast Prairie Redox (A16) (LRR K, L, R)
Black Histic (A3) MLRA 149B) 5 cm Mucky Peat or Peat (S3) (LRR K, L, R)
Hydrogen Sulfide (A4) Thin Dark Surface (S9) (LRR R, MLRA 149B) Polyvalue Below Surface (S8) (LRR K, L)
Stratified Layers (A5) High Chroma Sands (S11) (LRR K, L) Thin Dark Surface (S9) (LRR K, L)
Depleted Below Dark Surface (A11) Loamy Mucky Mineral (F1) (LRR K, L) Iron-Manganese Masses (F12) (LRR K, L, R)
Thick Dark Surface (A12) Loamy Gleyed Matrix (F2) Piedmont Floodplain Soils (F19) (MLRA 149B)
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(MLRA 144A, 145, 149B) Redox Dark Surface (F6) Very Shallow Dark Surface (F22)
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unless disturbed or problematic.
Restrictive Layer (if observed):
Туре:
Depth (inches): Hydric Soil Present? Yes X No
Remarks:
Soil is disturbed due to previous trail construction.

WETLAND DETERMINATION DATA SHEET – Northcentral and Northeast Region

See ERDC/EL TR-12-1; the proponent agency is CECW-CO-R

Project/Site: Northwoods Regional Trail - Ph	hase 1A	City/County: Aitkin Co	ounty	Sampling Date: 6/27/2024
Applicant/Owner: Aitkin County		, . <u></u>	State: MN	Sampling Point: SP-01
Investigator(s): Danny Perrault		Section, Tow	nship, Range: 22, 45N,	24W
Landform (hillside, terrace, etc.): hilltop	Local re	elief (concave, convex		Slope %: 2-3
Subregion (LRR or MLRA): LRR K	Lat: N/A	Long:	· ·	Datum: NAD 83
Soil Map Unit Name: Markey muck	<u>. </u>		NWI classification:	PFO1/4D
Are climatic / hydrologic conditions on the site	typical for this time of year?	Yes		explain in Remarks.)
Are Vegetation, Soil, or Hydro	•		al Circumstances" prese	
Are Vegetation, Soil, or Hydro			, explain any answers in	
SUMMARY OF FINDINGS – Attach	·		•	•
Hydrophytic Vegetation Present?	Yes No X	Is the Sampled Are		No. V
Hydric Soil Present? Wetland Hydrology Present?	Yes No X Yes No X	within a Wetland? If yes, optional Wet		No X
Remarks: (Explain alternative procedures he		, 5-5,		
HYDROLOGY			_	
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Wetland Hydrology Indicators:	الرام من المعاد والمعاد		-	ninimum of two required)
Primary Indicators (minimum of one is requir		<u> </u>	Surface Soil Cracks	
Surface Water (A1) High Water Table (A2)	Water-Stained Leaves (B Aquatic Fauna (B13)		Drainage Patterns (Moss Trim Lines (B	•
Saturation (A3)	Marl Deposits (B15)	•	Dry-Season Water	·
Water Marks (B1)	Hydrogen Sulfide Odor (0	C1)	Crayfish Burrows (C	
Sediment Deposits (B2)	Oxidized Rhizospheres o		`	n Aerial Imagery (C9)
Drift Deposits (B3)	Presence of Reduced Iro		Stunted or Stressed	• • • •
Algal Mat or Crust (B4)	Recent Iron Reduction in	Tilled Soils (C6)	Geomorphic Positio	n (D2)
Iron Deposits (B5)	Thin Muck Surface (C7)	,	Shallow Aquitard (D	•
Inundation Visible on Aerial Imagery (B7	·	(s)	Microtopographic R	
Sparsely Vegetated Concave Surface (E	38)	<u>_</u>	FAC-Neutral Test ([D5)
Field Observations:	No V Donth (inches):			
Surface Water Present? Yes Yes	No X Depth (inches): Depth (inches):			
Saturation Present? Yes	No X Depth (inches):		l Hydrology Present?	Yes No _ X
(includes capillary fringe)	No X Dopar (mones).		illydiology i ioos	163
Describe Recorded Data (stream gauge, mo	nitoring well, aerial photos, pre	vious inspections), if a	vailable:	
Remarks:				

VEGETATION – Use scientific names of plants. Sampling Point: SP-01 Absolute Dominant Indicator 30') Tree Stratum (Plot size: % Cover Species? Status **Dominance Test worksheet:** 70 FACU Pinus resinosa Yes 1. **Number of Dominant Species** 2. That Are OBL, FACW, or FAC: 0 (A) 3. **Total Number of Dominant** 4. Species Across All Strata: 3 (B) 5. Percent of Dominant Species 6. That Are OBL, FACW, or FAC: 0.0% (A/B) Prevalence Index worksheet: 70 =Total Cover Total % Cover of: Multiply by: Sapling/Shrub Stratum (Plot size: 15' OBL species x 1 = Pteridium aquilinum **FACU FACW** species 0 x 2 = 1. Yes **FACU** 25 x 3 = 2. Aralia nudicaulis Yes FAC species 3. Plantago major 15 No **FACU FACU** species 145 x 4 = UPL species 0 15 FAC x 5 = 0 Acer rubrum No 4. 5. Trientalis borealis 10 No FAC Column Totals: 170 (A) 655 (B) Prevalence Index = B/A = 6. **Hydrophytic Vegetation Indicators:** 1 - Rapid Test for Hydrophytic Vegetation 100 =Total Cover Herb Stratum (Plot size: 5') 2 - Dominance Test is >50% 3 - Prevalence Index is ≤3.01 1. 2. 4 - Morphological Adaptations¹ (Provide supporting data in Remarks or on a separate sheet) 3. 4. Problematic Hydrophytic Vegetation¹ (Explain) 5. ¹Indicators of hydric soil and wetland hydrology must 6. be present, unless disturbed or problematic. 7. **Definitions of Vegetation Strata:** 8. Tree - Woody plants 3 in. (7.6 cm) or more in 9. diameter at breast height (DBH), regardless of height. 10. Sapling/shrub - Woody plants less than 3 in. DBH and greater than or equal to 3.28 ft (1 m) tall. 11. Herb - All herbaceous (non-woody) plants, regardless =Total Cover of size, and woody plants less than 3.28 ft tall. Woody Vine Stratum (Plot size: 30' Woody vines - All woody vines greater than 3.28 ft in 1. 2. Hydrophytic 3. Vegetation Present? Yes No X =Total Cover Remarks: (Include photo numbers here or on a separate sheet.)

SOIL Sampling Point: SP-01

Profile Desc	ription: (Describe to	the depth n	eeded to doc	ıment th	ne indica	tor or co	onfirm the absence of indicators.)			
Depth	Matrix		Redo	x Featur	es					
(inches)	Color (moist)	% Co	olor (moist)	%	Type ¹	Loc ²	Texture Remarks			
0-6	10YR 5/2	100					Sandy			
6-24	10YR 5/6	100					Sandy			
	·									
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1 _{Type:} C=Ce	oncentration, D=Deple	tion PM-Pos	luced Matrix N	1S=Maal		Crains	² Location: PL=Pore Lining, M=Matrix.			
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	n Sulfide (A4)		Thin Dark Surf	,	(LRR R.	MLRA 1				
	Layers (A5)		High Chroma S		-		Thin Dark Surface (S9) (LRR K, L)			
	Below Dark Surface		_oamy Mucky	-		Iron-Manganese Masses (F12) (LRR K, L, R)				
	rk Surface (A12)		_oamy Gleyed				Piedmont Floodplain Soils (F19) (MLRA 149B)			
Mesic Sp	odic (A17)		Depleted Matri	x (F3)			Red Parent Material (F21) (outside MLRA 145			
(MLR	A 144A, 145, 149B)		Redox Dark Sı	ırface (F	6)		Very Shallow Dark Surface (F22)			
Sandy M	ucky Mineral (S1)	!	Depleted Dark	Surface	(F7)		Other (Explain in Remarks)			
	leyed Matrix (S4)		Redox Depres	•	3)					
	edox (S5)		Marl (F10) (LR				³ Indicators of hydrophytic vegetation and			
Stripped	Matrix (S6)	'	Red Parent Ma	aterial (F	21) (MLR	A 145)	wetland hydrology must be present,			
	45						unless disturbed or problematic.			
	.ayer (if observed):									
Type:										
Depth (in	ches):						Hydric Soil Present? Yes No X			
Remarks:										

WETLAND DETERMINATION DATA SHEET – Northcentral and Northeast Region

See ERDC/EL TR-12-1; the proponent agency is CECW-CO-R

Project/Site: Northwoods Regional Trail - Phase 1A	City/County: Aitkin County Sampling Date: 6/26/2024
Applicant/Owner: Aitkin County	State: MN Sampling Point: SP-02
Investigator(s): Danny Perrault	Section, Township, Range: 24, 45N, 24W
-	cal relief (concave, convex, none): convex Slope %: 2-3
Subregion (LRR or MLRA): LRR K Lat: N/A	Long: N/A Datum: NAD 83
Soil Map Unit Name: Mahtomedi loamy coarse sand, 2 to 6 percent	NWI classification: PSS1C
<u> </u>	
Are climatic / hydrologic conditions on the site typical for this time of year'	
Are Vegetation, Soil, or Hydrologysignificantly dis	
Are Vegetation, Soil, or Hydrologynaturally proble	ematic? (If needed, explain any answers in Remarks.)
SUMMARY OF FINDINGS – Attach site map showing sa	ampling point locations, transects, important features, etc.
Hydrophytic Vegetation Present? Yes No _ X _	Is the Sampled Area
Hydric Soil Present? Yes No X	within a Wetland? Yes No _X_
Wetland Hydrology Present? Yes No X	If yes, optional Wetland Site ID:
Remarks: (Explain alternative procedures here or in a separate report.) Climatic conditions are wet for this time of the year.	
HYDROLOGY	
Wetland Hydrology Indicators:	Secondary Indicators (minimum of two required)
Primary Indicators (minimum of one is required; check all that apply)	Surface Soil Cracks (B6)
Surface Water (A1) Water-Stained Leave	
High Water Table (A2) Aquatic Fauna (B13)	
Saturation (A3) Marl Deposits (B15)	Dry-Season Water Table (C2)
Water Marks (B1) Hydrogen Sulfide Od	
	es on Living Roots (C3) Saturation Visible on Aerial Imagery (C9)
Drift Deposits (B3)Presence of Reduced	
Algal Mat or Crust (B4) Recent Iron Reduction This Music Surface (6)	
Iron Deposits (B5) Thin Muck Surface (C	
Inundation Visible on Aerial Imagery (B7) Other (Explain in Rer Sparsely Vegetated Concave Surface (B8)	marks) Microtopographic Relief (D4) FAC-Neutral Test (D5)
	AO-Neuliai 1651 (D3)
Field Observations: Surface Water Present? Voc No. V Dooth (inches	1.
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(includes capillary fringe)	wetialia flyarology resent: 10310
Describe Recorded Data (stream gauge, monitoring well, aerial photos,	
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Remarks:	

ree Stratum (Plot size: 30')	Absolute % Cover	Dominant Species?	Indicator Status	Dominance Test worksheet:			
. Quercus rubra	10	Yes	FACU				
. Quorodo rasia			17.00	Number of Dominant Species That Are OBL, FACW, or FAC: 2 (A)			
·				Total Number of Dominant			
	_			Species Across All Strata: 5 (B)			
	_			Percent of Dominant Species			
		<u> </u>		That Are OBL, FACW, or FAC: 40.0% (A/B)			
				Prevalence Index worksheet:			
	10	=Total Cover		Total % Cover of: Multiply by:			
apling/Shrub Stratum (Plot size: 15'	_)			OBL species 0 x 1 = 0			
Populus balsamifera	40	Yes	FACW	FACW species 40 x 2 = 80			
Acer rubrum	25	Yes	FAC	FAC species 25 x 3 = 75			
	_			FACU species 80 x 4 = 320			
				UPL species 97 x 5 = 485			
	_			Column Totals: <u>242</u> (A) <u>960</u> (B			
	_			Prevalence Index = B/A = 3.97			
				Hydrophytic Vegetation Indicators:			
	65	=Total Cover		1 - Rapid Test for Hydrophytic Vegetation			
erb Stratum (Plot size: 5')				2 - Dominance Test is >50%			
Rubus occidentalis	95	Yes	UPL	3 - Prevalence Index is ≤3.0 ¹			
Pteridium aquilinum	70	Yes	FACU	4 - Morphological Adaptations ¹ (Provide support			
Verbascum thapsus	2	No	UPL	data in Remarks or on a separate sheet)			
	_			Problematic Hydrophytic Vegetation ¹ (Explain)			
	_			¹ Indicators of hydric soil and wetland hydrology must b			
·				present, unless disturbed or problematic.			
				Definitions of Vegetation Strata:			
·	_			Tree – Woody plants 3 in. (7.6 cm) or more in diamete at breast height (DBH), regardless of height.			
0.				Sapling/shrub – Woody plants less than 3 in. DBH ar			
I	_			greater than or equal to 3.28 ft (1 m) tall.			
2		=Total Cover		Herb – All herbaceous (non-woody) plants, regardless of size, and woody plants less than 3.28 ft tall.			
/oody Vine Stratum (Plot size: 30'		-					
·				Woody vines – All woody vines greater than 3.28 ft in height.			
				Hydrophytic			
				Vegetation Present? Yes No _X_			
·	_	=Total Cover		Tresent: resNoX			
		= Total Cover					

SOIL Sampling Point: SP-02

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(inches)	Color (moist)	<u>%</u>	Color (moist)	<u>%</u>	Type ¹	Loc ²	Texture	Remarks		
0-24	10YR 5/2	100					Sandy			
					-					
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Restrictive L	ayer (if observed):							·		
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Remarks:										

WETLAND DETERMINATION DATA SHEET – Northcentral and Northeast Region

See ERDC/EL TR-12-1; the proponent agency is CECW-CO-R

Project/Site: Northwoods Regional Trail - Pha	ise 1A	City/County: Aitkin County	у	Sampling Date: 06/25/2024		
Applicant/Owner: Aitkin County			State: MN	Sampling Point: SP-03		
Investigator(s): Duncan Widman		Section, Townsh	ip, Range: 31, 45N, 2	- · · - —		
Landform (hillside, terrace, etc.): hillside	Local re	elief (concave, convex, no	-			
Subregion (LRR or MLRA): LRR K	Lat: N/A		, <u> </u>	Datum: NAD 83		
		Long: N/A				
Soil Map Unit Name: Mora-Ronneby complex			NWI classification:	PSS1D		
Are climatic / hydrologic conditions on the site ty	ypical for this time of year?	Yes	No X (If no, e	xplain in Remarks.)		
Are Vegetation, Soil, or Hydrolo	ogysignificantly disturb	ed? Are "Normal Ci	ircumstances" presen	it? Yes X No		
Are Vegetation, Soil, or Hydrold	ogynaturally problemat	ic? (If needed, exp	olain any answers in R	Remarks.)		
SUMMARY OF FINDINGS – Attach s	site map showing samp	pling point locations	s, transects, imp	oortant features, etc.		
Hydrophytic Vegetation Present?	Yes X No	Is the Sampled Area				
	Yes No X	within a Wetland?	Yes	No X		
l	Yes No X	If yes, optional Wetland				
Remarks: (Explain alternative procedures here	e or in a separate report.)					
Climatic conditions are wet for this time of the						
HYDROLOGY						
Wetland Hydrology Indicators:		Sec	condary Indicators (mi	nimum of two required)		
Primary Indicators (minimum of one is required	d; check all that apply)		Surface Soil Cracks ((B6)		
Surface Water (A1)	Water-Stained Leaves (BS	9)	Drainage Patterns (B	310)		
High Water Table (A2)	Aquatic Fauna (B13)	Moss Trim Lines (B16)				
Saturation (A3)	Marl Deposits (B15)	Dry-Season Water Table (C2)				
Water Marks (B1)	Hydrogen Sulfide Odor (C	(C1) Crayfish Burrows (C8)				
Sediment Deposits (B2)	Oxidized Rhizospheres or	n Living Roots (C3)	Saturation Visible on	Aerial Imagery (C9)		
Drift Deposits (B3)	Presence of Reduced Iron	n (C4)	Stunted or Stressed	Plants (D1)		
Algal Mat or Crust (B4)	Recent Iron Reduction in	in Tilled Soils (C6) Geomorphic Position (D2)				
Iron Deposits (B5)	Thin Muck Surface (C7)	Shallow Aquitard (D3)				
Inundation Visible on Aerial Imagery (B7)	Other (Explain in Remarks	rks) Microtopographic Relief (D4)				
Sparsely Vegetated Concave Surface (B8)			FAC-Neutral Test (D			
Field Observations:						
Surface Water Present? Yes	No X Depth (inches):					
	No X Depth (inches):					
	No X Depth (inches):		drology Present?	Yes No _ X		
(includes capillary fringe)						
Describe Recorded Data (stream gauge, monit	toring well, aerial photos, previ	ious inspections), if availal	ble:			
Remarks:						

Tree Stratum (Plot size: 30')	Absolute % Cover	Dominant Species?	Indicator Status	Dominance Test v	vorksheet:		
1				Number of Dominant Species That Are OBL, FACW, or FAC:		4	(A)
3. 4.				Total Number of Do		6	(B)
5. 6.		·		Percent of Dominal	•	66.7%	(A/B
7.				Prevalence Index	worksheet:		
		=Total Cover		Total % Cove	er of:	Multiply I	оу:
sapling/Shrub Stratum (Plot size: 15')	'	•		OBL species	0 x	1 =	0
Acer rubrum	10	Yes	FAC	FACW species	35 x	2 = 7	0
Populus tremuloides	5	Yes	FAC			3 = 7	' 5
Alnus incana	5	Yes	FACW	FACU species		4 = 1	40
				UPL species		5 = 1	25
				Column Totals:	120 (A	A) 4	10 (B
					Index = B/A =		`
				Hydrophytic Vege			
	20	=Total Cover		1 - Rapid Test			n
erb Stratum (Plot size: 5')		•		X 2 - Dominance		3	
Solidago gigantea	30	Yes	FACW	3 - Prevalence			
Phleum pratense	25	Yes	FACU	4 - Morphological Adaptations ¹ (Provide supportin			
Bromus inermis	20	Yes	UPL	data in Remarks or on a separate sheet)			
Pteridium aquilinum	10	No No	FACU	 Problematic Hydrophytic Vegetation¹ (Explain) 			
Chamaenerion angustifolium	10	No No	FAC				
Chamaenerion angustifolium Leucanthemum vulgare	5	No No	UPL	 Indicators of hydric soil and wetland hydrology 			gy must l
Leucanuremum vuigare		INU	UFL	Definitions of Veg	-		
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Voody Vine Stratum (Plot size: 30')				Woody vines – All height.	woody vines g	reater than	3.28 ft ir
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		=Total Cover					

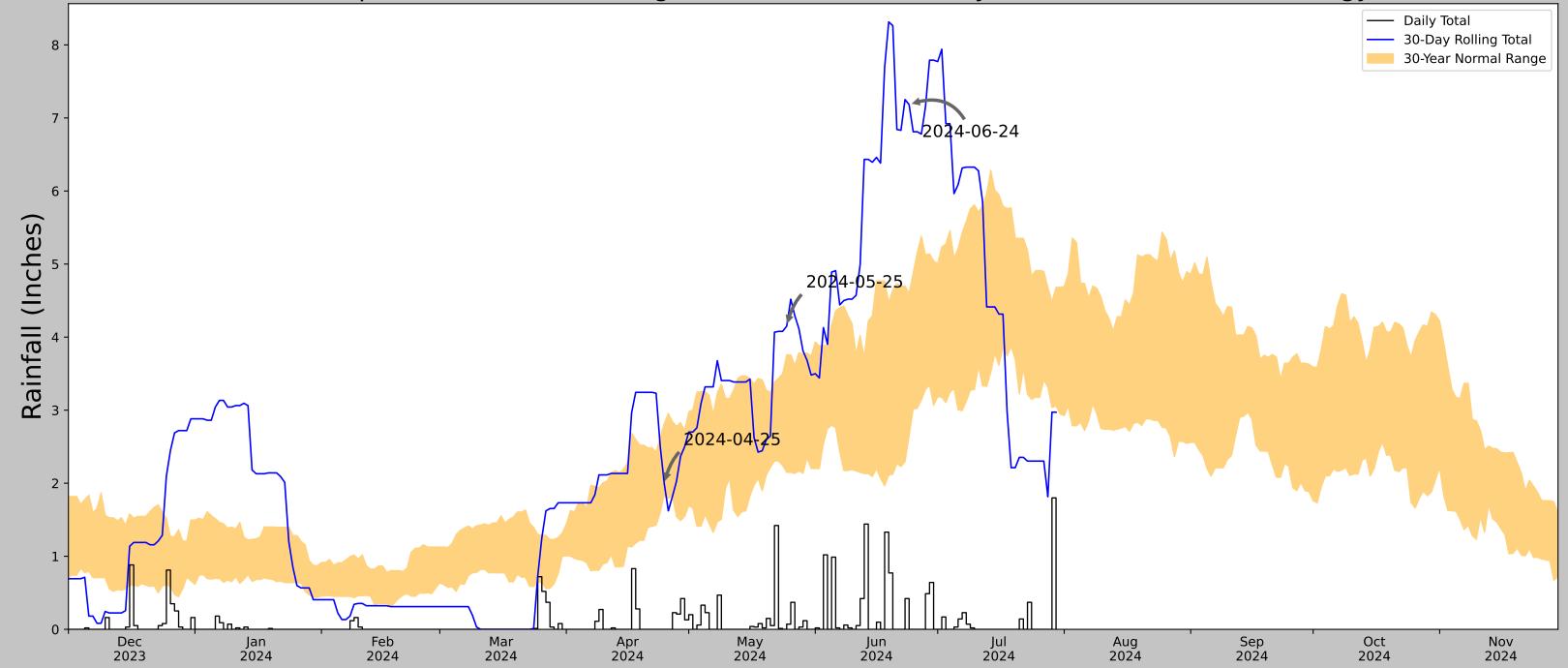
SOIL Sampling Point: SP-03

	ription: (Describe to	the de				or or cor	nfirm the absence of ir	ndicators.)		
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(inches)	Color (moist)	%	Color (moist)	%	Type ¹	Loc ²	Texture	Remarks		
0-6	10YR 4/4	95	10R 5/6	5	C	M	Sandy	Prominent redox con	centrations	
6-20	10YR 4/4	90	10R 5/6	10	<u>C</u>	M	Sandy	Prominent redox con	centrations	
20-25	10YR 3/3	95	10R 5/6	5	<u>C</u>	M	Sandy	Prominent redox con	centrations	
1 _{Tymes} C. Co	noontration D. Donla	tion DM	Doduced Metrix M	- Maak		Croins	² I postion: DI	Doro Lining M Matrix		
Hydric Soil I	ncentration, D=Deple	elion, Kiv	=Reduced Matrix, Mi	5=IVIASK	eu Sanu	Grains.		_=Pore Lining, M=Matrix. or Problematic Hydric S		
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	ipedon (A2)		Polyvalue Belov		ce (S8) (L	RR R.	Coast Prairie Redox (A16) (LRR K, L, R)			
Black His			MLRA 149B)		` , `	,	5 cm Mucky Peat or Peat (S3) (LRR K, L, R)			
Hydroge	n Sulfide (A4)		Thin Dark Surfa	ace (S9)	(LRR R,	MLRA 1				
Stratified	Layers (A5)		High Chroma S	ands (S	11) (LRR	R K, L)	Thin Dark Surface (S9) (LRR K, L) Iron-Manganese Masses (F12) (LRR K, L, R) Piedmont Floodplain Soils (F19) (MLRA 149B) Red Parent Material (F21) (outside MLRA 145) Very Shallow Dark Surface (F22) Other (Explain in Remarks) 3Indicators of hydrophytic vegetation and			
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							unless	disturbed or problemation).	
Restrictive L	ayer (if observed):									
Type:										
Depth (in	nches):						Hydric Soil Present	t? Yes	No X	
Remarks:							•			

APPENDIX B

Precipitation Data

Antecedent Precipitation vs Normal Range based on NOAA's Daily Global Historical Climatology Network



Coordinates	46.376582, -93.337329
Observation Date	2024-06-24
Elevation (ft)	1281.285
Drought Index (PDSI)	Moderate wetness
WebWIMP H ₂ O Balance	Wet Season

30 Days Ending	30 th %ile (in)	70 th %ile (in)	Observed (in)	Wetness Condition	Condition Value	Month Weight	Product
2024-06-24	2.649606	4.598819	7.181103	Wet	3	3	9
2024-05-25	2.148425	3.756693	4.149606	Wet	3	2	6
2024-04-25	1.84252	2.814173	1.992126	Normal	2	1	2
Result							Wetter than Normal - 17



Figures and tables made by the Antecedent Precipitation Tool Version 2.0

Developed by: U.S. Army Corps of Engineers and U.S. Army Engineer Research and Development Center

Weather Station Name	Coordinates	Elevation (ft)	Distance (mi)	Elevation Δ	Weighted Δ	Days Normal	Days Antecedent
WRIGHT 3 E	46.6803, -92.9542	1330.053	27.786	48.768	13.859	10551	86
TAMARACK 2.5 SE	46.6275, -93.087	1298.885	7.278	31.168	3.502	2	4
TAMARACK 2.3 SSE	46.6254, -93.0984	1273.95	7.82	56.103	3.958	39	0
TAMARACK 1.4 SW	46.6376, -93.1455	1274.934	9.539	55.119	4.818	52	0
MCGREGOR 7.3 N	46.7138, -93.2885	1258.858	16.01	71.195	8.344	45	0
RICE LAKE NWR	46.5381, -93.2844	1250.0	18.498	80.053	9.805	244	0
SANDY LAKE DAM LIBBY	46.7953, -93.3211	1233.924	19.104	96.129	10.433	387	0
MOOSE LAKE 1 SSE	46.4378, -92.7578	1109.908	19.178	220.145	12.852	32	0

APPENDIX C

Site Photographs



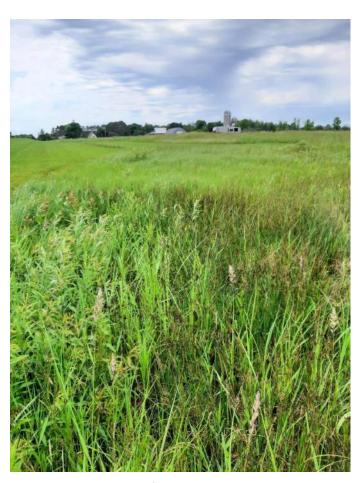


Photo 1: Wetland 1 facing north.



Photo 2: Sample Point W1-1U facing south.





Photo 3: Sample Point W1-1W facing north.



Photo 4: Wetland 2 facing north.





Photo 5: Wetland 3 facing northwest.



Photo 6: Wetland 3 facing west.





Photo 7: West end of Wetland 4 facing east.



Photo 8: Sample Point W4-1U facing south.





Photo 9: Sample Point W4-1W facing north.



Photo 10: West end of Wetland 5 facing east.



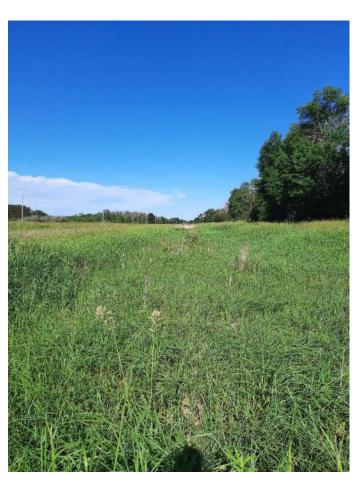


Photo 11: East end of Wetland 5 facing west.



Photo 12: Wetland 6 facing east.





Photo 13: East side of Wetland 6 facing west.



Photo 14: Type 2 portion of Wetland 7 facing northwest.





Photo 15: Type 3 portion of Wetland 7 facing east.



Photo 16: Type 6 portion of Wetland 7 facing northeast.



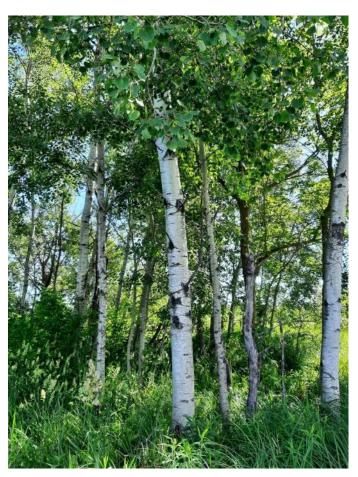


Photo 17: Type 7 portion of Wetland 7 facing north.



Photo 18: West end of Wetland 8 facing northeast.





Photo 19: Sample Point W8-1U facing west.



Photo 20: Sample Point W8-1W facing west.





Photo 21: Sample Point W8-2W facing north.



Photo 22: East end of Wetland 9 facing west.





Photo 23: West end of Wetland 10 facing east.



Photo 24: East end of Wetland 10 facing west.





Photo 25: Sample Point W10-1U facing south.



Photo 26: Sample Point W10-1W facing west.





Photo 27: Sample Point W10-2W facing north.



Photo 28: West end of Wetland 11 facing east.





Photo 29: East end of Wetland 11 facing west.



Photo 30: Southwest side of Wetland 12 facing northeast.





Photo 31: South side of Wetland 13 facing north.



Photo 32: Northeast side of Wetland 14 facing south.





Photo 33: Northeast side of Wetland 15 facing east.



Photo 34: South side of Wetland 16 facing north.





Photo 35: South side of Wetland 17 facing north.



Photo 36: North side of Wetland 18 facing south.





Photo 37: North side of Wetland 19 facing south.



Photo 38: West side of Wetland 20 facing east.





Photo 39: Sample Point W20-1U facing southwest.



Photo 40: Sample Point W20-1W facing northeast.





Photo 41: Wetland 21 facing east.



Photo 42: Sample Point W21-1U facing east.





Photo 43: Sample Point W21-1W facing west.



Photo 44: Type 8 portion of Wetland 22 facing east.





Photo 45: Type 6 portion of Wetland 22 facing east.



Photo 46: Sample Point W22-1W facing east.





Photo 47: Wetland 23 facing north.



Photo 48: Wetland 24 facing northeast.





Photo 49: Wetland 25 facing southwest.



Photo 50: Wetland 26 facing northeast.





Photo 51: Wetland 27 facing east.

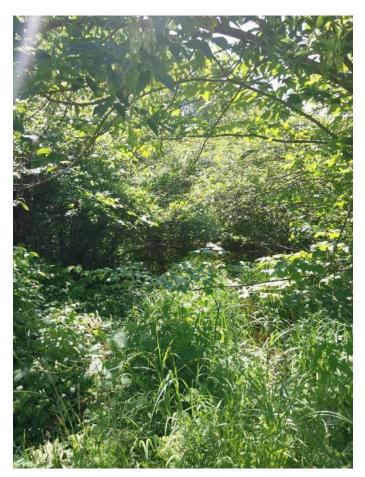


Photo 52: Wetland 28 facing northwest.





Photo 53: Wetland 29 facing east.



Photo 54: Wetland 30 facing east.





Photo 55: Wetland 31 facing west.



Photo 56: Sample Point W31-1U facing east.



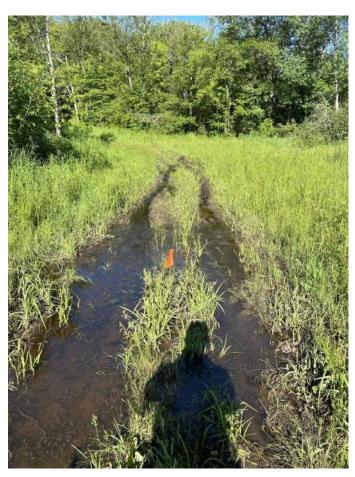


Photo 57: Sample Point W31-1W facing west.



Photo 58: Wetland 32 facing north.





Photo 59: Wetland 33 facing south.



Photo 60: Wetland 34 facing northeast.





Photo 61: Wetland 35 facing south.



Photo 62: Wetland 36 facing west.



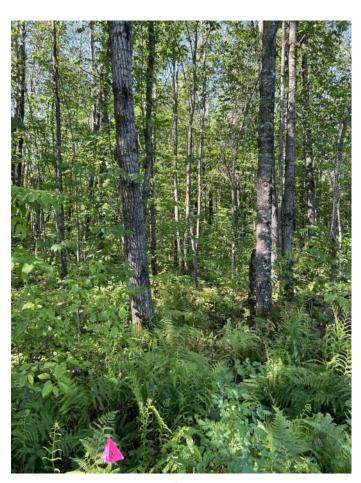


Photo 63: Wetland 37 facing south.



Photo 64: Wetland 38 facing east.





Photo 65: Wetland 39 facing west.



Photo 66: Wetland 40 facing east.





Photo 67: Wetland 41 facing southwest.



Photo 68: Wetland 42 facing northeast.





Photo 69: Wetland 43 facing southwest.



Photo 70: Wetland 44 facing south.





Photo 71: Wetland 45 facing west.



Photo 72: Wetland 46 facing north.





Photo 73: Wetland 47 facing east.

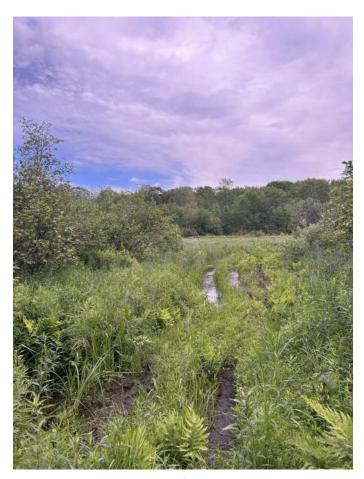


Photo 74: Wetland 48 facing east.





Photo 75: Wetland 48 facing west.

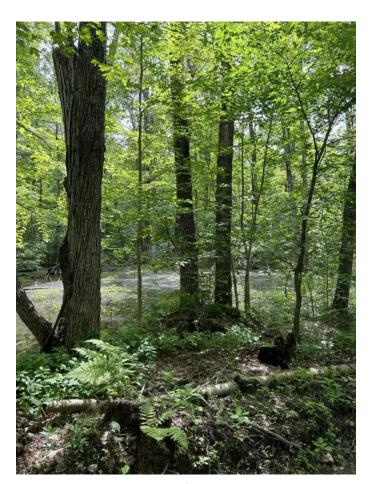


Photo 76: Wetland 49 facing south.





Photo 77: Wetland 50 facing west.

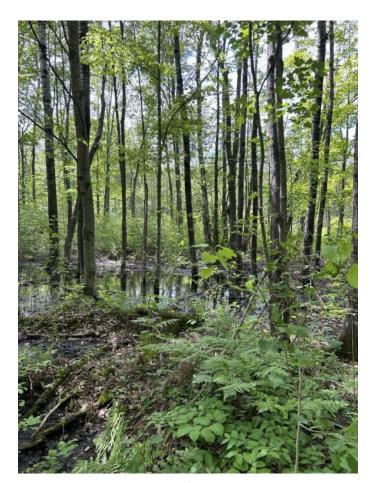


Photo 78: Wetland 51 facing north.





Photo 79: Wetland 52 facing south.



Photo 80: Wetland 53 facing south.





Photo 81: Wetland 54 facing north.



Photo 82: Wetland 55 facing south.





Photo 83: Wetland 56 facing north.



Photo 84: Wetland 58 facing north.





Photo 85: Wetland 59 facing west.



Photo 86: Wetland 60 facing northeast.





Photo 87: Wetland 61 facing northwest.



Photo 88: Wetland 62 facing north.





Photo 89: Wetland 63 facing north.



Photo 90: Wetland 64 facing north.





Photo 91: Wetland 65 facing southeast.



Photo 92: Wetland 66 facing west.





Photo 93: Wetland 67 facing north.



Photo 94: Wetland 100 facing east.





Photo 95: Sample Point W100-1W facing east.



Photo 96: Sample Point W100-1U facing west.





Photo 97: Wetland 101 facing north.



Photo 98: Sample Point W101-1U facing south.





Photo 99: Sample Point W101-1W facing north.

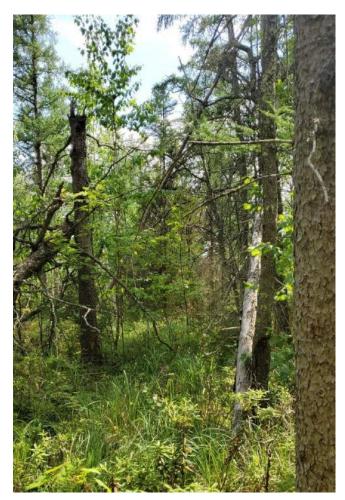


Photo 100: Wetland 102 facing southeast.





Photo 101: Sample Point W102-1W facing south.



Photo 102: Sample Point W102-1U facing north.





Photo 103: Wetland 103 facing west.



Photo 104: Wetland 103 facing west.





Photo 105: Sample Point 103-1U facing north.



Photo 106: Sample Point 103-1W facing west.





Photo 107: Wetland 104 facing west.



Photo 108: Wetland 105 facing south.





Photo 109: Sample Point W200-1U facing west.



Photo 110: Sample Point W200-1W facing east.





Photo 111: Wetland 201 facing west.



Photo 112: Wetland 202 facing south.





Photo 113: Wetland 203 facing south.



Photo 114: Wetland 203 facing northwest.





Photo 115: Wetland 207 facing south.



Photo 116: Wetland 208 facing south.





Photo 117: Wetland 209 facing east.



Photo 118: Wetland 210 facing south.





Photo 119: Wetland 211 facing north.



Photo 120: Type 2 portion of Wetland 211 facing east.





Photo 121: Type 6 portion of Wetland 211 facing northwest.



Photo 122: Wetland 212 facing west.





Photo 123: Wetland 213 facing north.



Photo 124: Wetland 214 facing south.





Photo 125: Wetland 215 facing northeast.



Photo 126: Wetland 216 facing west.





Photo 127: Wetland 217 facing northeast.



Photo 128: Wetland 218 facing northwest.





Photo 129: Wetland 219 facing southwest.



Photo 130: Wetland 220 facing north.





Photo 131: Wetland 221 facing northeast.



Photo 132: Wetland 223 facing east.





Photo 133: Wetland 224 facing north.



Photo 134: Wetland 225 facing west.





Photo 135: Wetland 226 facing west.



Photo 136: Wetland 227 facing west.





Photo 137: Wetland 228 facing east.



Photo 138: Wetland 229 facing south.





Photo 139: Wetland 230 facing east.



Photo 140: Wetland 231 facing west.





Photo 141: Wetland 232 facing northwest.



Photo 142: Wetland 233 facing southeast.





Photo 143: Wetland 234 facing northwest.



Photo 144: Wetland Ditch 1 facing west.





Photo 145: Wetland Ditch 2 facing east.

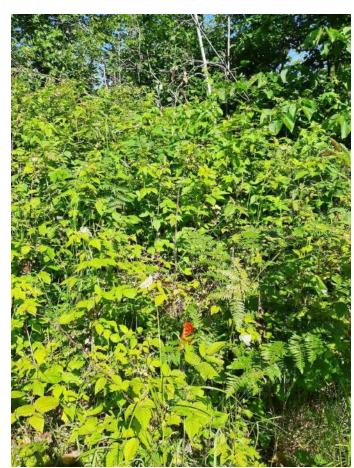


Photo 146: WD2-1U facing north.



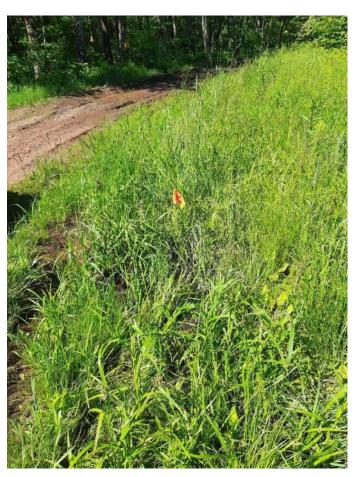


Photo 147: WD2-1W facing west.



Photo 148: Wetland Ditch 3 facing southeast.





Photo 149: Wetland Ditch 4 facing northwest.



Photo 150: Wetland Ditch 5 facing southeast.





Photo 151: Stream 1 facing north.



Photo 152: Stream 2 facing northwest.





Photo 153: Stream 3 facing south.



Photo 154: Stream 4 facing southwest.





Photo 155: Stream 5 facing northwest.



Photo 156: Stream 6 facing northwest.





Photo 157: Sample Point 1 facing north.



Photo 158: Sample Point 2 facing east.



Minnesota Wetland Conservation Act Notice of Decision

Local Government Unit: Aitkin County Planning & Zoning	County: Aitkin
Applicant Name: Aitkin County (Dennis Thompson)	Applicant Representative: Widseth (Joey Goeden)
Project Name: Northwoods Regional Trail Wetland Delineat	ion LGU Project No. (if any):
Date Complete Application Received by LGU: 9/27/2024	
Date of LGU Decision: 10/29/2024	
Date this Notice was Sent: 10/29/2024	
WCA Decision Type - check all that apply	
■ Wetland Boundary/Type □ Sequencing □ Replace	ment Plan Bank Plan (not credit purchase)
	☐ Exemption (8420.0420)
Part: □ A □ B □ C □ D □ E □ F □ G □ H	
	·
Replacement Plan Impacts (replacement plan decisions only) Total WCA Wetland Impact Area:)
·	
Wetland Replacement Type: Project Specific Credits: Bank Credits:	
Bank Account Number(s):	
Technical Evaluation Panel Findings and Recommendations	(attach if any)
$oxed{oxed}$ Approve $oxed{\Box}$ Approve w/Conditions $oxed{\Box}$ Deny $oxed{\Box}$ No	o TEP Recommendation
LGU Decision	
	Approved¹ □ Denied
List Conditions:	
Decision-Maker for this Application: ⊠ Staff ☐ Governing	g Board/Council
Decision is valid for M. E. vears (default). The Other (specify)	
Decision is valid for: \boxtimes 5 years (default) \square Other (specify)	:
¹ <u>Wetland Replacement Plan</u> approval is not valid until BWSR confirms the	withdrawal of any required wetland bank credits. For project-
specific replacement a financial assurance per MN Rule 8420.0522, Subp. 9	and evidence that all required forms have been recorded on
the title of the property on which the replacement wetland is located must	be provided to the LGU for the approval to be valid.
LGU Findings – Attach document(s) and/or insert narrative pr	roviding the basis for the LGU decision ¹ .
☐ Attachment(s) (specify):	
⊠ Summary: On October 17, 2024, a site visit was conduct	ed by Aitkin County Wetland Specialist Henry
Egland, MN DNR Area Hydrologist and TEP member Jacob Fr	·
Joey Goeden. The purpose of the visit was to review the we	
proposed Northwoods Regional ATV Trail. After a thorough	
delineated wetland boundaries and classifications accurately	•
area.	
¹ Findings must consider any TEP recommendations.	
Attached Businet Business	
Attached Project Documents Site Leasting Man. Draiget Blan/s\/Descriptions/Bans	orts (specific).
☐ Site Location Map ☐ Project Plan(s)/Descriptions/Repo	orts (specify):

Appeals of LGU Decisions

If you wish to <u>appeal</u> this decision, you must provide a written request <u>within 30 calendar days of the date you received the notice</u>. All appeals must be submitted to the Board of Water and Soil Resources Executive Director along with a check payable to BWSR for \$500 *unless* the LGU has adopted a local appeal process as identified below. The check must be sent by mail and the written request to appeal can be submitted by mail or e-mail. The appeal should include a copy of this notice, name and contact information of appellant(s) and their representatives (if applicable), a statement clarifying the intent to appeal and supporting information as to why the decision is in error. Send to:

Appeals & Regulatory Compliance Coordinator Minnesota Board of Water & Soils Resources 520 Lafayette Road North St. Paul, MN 55155 travis germundson@state mn us

520 Larayette Road North	
St. Paul, MN 55155	
travis.germundson@state.mn.us	
Does the LGU have a <u>local appeal process</u> applicat	ole to this decision?
\square Yes ¹ \boxtimes No	
¹ If yes, all appeals must first be considered via the local	appeals process.
Local Appeals Submittal Requirements (LGU) must desc	cribe how to appeal, submittal requirements, fees, etc. as applicable)
	since now to appear, submittain requirements, rees, etc. as approache,
Notice Distribution (include name)	
Required on all notices:	
⊠ SWCD TEP Member: Chelsey Koebernick	BWSR TEP Member: Matt Johnson
☐ LGU TEP Member (if different than LGU contact):	
□ DNR Representative: Jacob Frie	
☐ Watershed District or Watershed Mgmt. Org.:	
☐ Applicant: Dennis Thompson	☑ Agent/Consultant: Joey Goeden
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Optional or As Applicable:	
□ Corps of Engineers: St. Paul	
☐ BWSR Wetland Mitigation Coordinator (required fo	r bank plan applications only):
☐ Members of the Public (notice only):	☐ Other:
7/2 m Saland	Date: 10/29/2024
Signature: Henry Egland	
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APPENDIX D

Well Logs

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Quad Arthyde
Quad ID 207D

MINNESOTA DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH WELL AND BORING REPORT

Minnesota Statutes Chapter 1031

Entry Date 04/07/1988 **Update Date** 01/03/2020

HE-01205-15

Received Date

Well Name VIERKANDT,	Township 45	Range 22	Dir Secti W 26	on Subse CADI		Well Depth 105 ft.		Depth Completed 105 ft.	Date V 02/02/	Well Completed	I
Elevation 1304				EM (MNDNI		Drill Method	Air Rota		Drill Fluid	1777	
Address				2.11 (1.11 (2.11		Use dome		,		Status	Active
Contact	BOX 158 WY	OMING M	IN 55092			Well Hydrofr	actured?	Yes No	From	То	
						Casing Type			Joint	Threaded	
Stratigraphy Info	ormation					Drive Shoe?		No	Above/Below		
Geological Materi	al	From	To (ft.)	Color	Hardness	Casing Diam	eter W	Veight			
CLAY		0	33	BROWN	MEDIUM	6 in. To	35 ft.	lbs./ft.			
GRANITE		33	105	DK. GRY	HARD						
						Open Hole	From	35 ft.	To 10	5 ft.	
						Screen?		Type	Make		
						Static Water	r Level				
						30 ft.	land sur		Measure	02/02/1977	
								and surface)	1.5		
						ft.	hrs.	Pumping at	1.5	g.p.m.	
						Wellhead C Pitless adapte	_	r		Model	
							Protection		above grade	Wiodei	
						Grouting In		well Grouted?	rings ONLY) Yes X		Specified
								of Contamination		Barn	<u>yard</u> Type
							ected upon co	ompletion?	Yes	No No	
						Manufacture		t Installed D	ate Installed		
						Model Numb		HP		'olt	
						Length of dro	op pipe	ft Capacity	g.p.	Тур	
						Abandoned Does propert	y have any no	t in use and not sealed	well(s)?	Yes	No
						Variance					
						Was a varian	ce granted from	m the MDH for this we	:11?	Yes	☐ No
						Miscellaneo		~ .			
						First Bedrock Last Strat	Megrau	n Gneiss n Gneiss	Aquifer Depth to E	Mcgrath Gnei Bedrock 33	iss ft
						Located by	_	nnesota Geological S	•	33	
Remarks						Locate Metho	011	S SA Off (averaged)			
						System Unique Numl	UTM - NA ber Verificatio	AD83, Zone 15, Meters on Site Plan	.,,		33143 3/29/2002
						Angled Dril		Site I laii			1/29/2002
						Well Contra			48038	EVOTE	D M
						North Star Licensee F		Lic.	or Reg. No.	Name of D	
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Quad ID 208C

MINNESOTA DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH WELL AND BORING REPORT

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Entry Date

06/01/2016

HE-01205-15

Update Date 05/16/2017 **Received Date** 07/29/2013

Well Name	Township	Range	Dir Secti			Well Depth		Depth Complete		e Well Complete	ed
DEMAR, LEROY		25	W 2	ACAE		80 ft.		80 ft.		30/2012	
Elevation 1308	Elev. Me	thod	7.5 minute top	oographic map	(+/- 5 feet)	Drill Method			Drill Fluid		
Address						Use test we				Status	Sealed
C/W	29345 220TH	ST ISLE	MN 56342			Well Hydrofra		Yes N		To)
						Casing Type] N	Joint		
Stratigraphy Info Geological Materia		From	To (ft.)	Color	Hardness	Drive Shoe?	Yes	No L	Above/Belo	ıW	
CLAY	tī.	0	21	BROWN	HARD						
CLAY ROCKS		21	30	BROWN	HARD						
SAND		30	32	BROWN	MEDIUM						
CLAY ROCKS		32	71	GRAY	HARD						
SAND		71	80	GRAY	MEDIUM	O II-l-					
						Open Hole Screen?	From	Type	To Mak	ft.	
						Static Water	Level				
						D		1			
						Pumping Le	vel (below la	and surface)			
						Wellhead Co					
						Pitless adapter				Model	
						At-grad		nental Wells and E			
						Grouting Inf	iormation	Well Grouted?	X Yes		Specified
						Material			mount		To
						bentonite		3	Sacks	ft.	80 ft.
						Nearest Kno	wn Source	of Contamination	n		
						fe Well disinfe	eet ected upon co	Direction ompletion?	Yes	No No	Type
						Pump Manufacturer		ot Installed	Date Installed		
						Model Numb		HP		Volt	
						Length of dro	p pipe	ft Capacity	g.p.	Тур	
						Abandoned Does property	v have anv no	t in use and not seale	d well(s)?	Ye	es No
						Variance					
							ce granted fro	m the MDH for this	well?	Yes	No
						Miscellaneou	us				
						First Bedrock			Aqui		
						Last Strat	sand-gra	•	-	o Bedrock	ft
Remarks						Located by Locate Metho		nnesota Geologica itization (Screen)	•)) (15 meters or	
WELL SEALED ON						System	8	AD83, Zone 15, Mete	-		130624
COULD NOT MAKI 792370.	E WELL - IT W	AS PUMPI	NG SAND. S	EE UNIQUE	NUMBER	Unique Numb	er Verificatio	on Address	verification		06/01/2016
,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,						Angled Drill	Hole				
						Well Contra					
							Drilling, Inc		1933 c. or Reg. No.	KEMPE Name of	NICH, C. Driller
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Minnesota Well Index Report

County Aitkin Arthyde Quad Quad ID 207D

MINNESOTA DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH WELL AND BORING REPORT

Minnesota Statutes Chapter 1031

Entry Date 10/31/1990 **Update Date** 01/03/2020

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Received Date

Well Name Dir Section Subsection Well Depth Depth Completed **Date Well Completed** Township Range ERICKSON, 22 W 22 145 ft. 145 ft. 05/27/1988 45 DDDAAC 1283 **Drill Method** Non-specified Rotary Elevation Elev. Method LiDAR 1m DEM (MNDNR) Drill Fluid Bentonite Address domestic Status Active Well Hydrofractured? Contact RR 3 BOX 86 MCGRATH MN 56350 Yes From No To Casing Type Single casing Joint Threaded **Drive Shoe?** No **Stratigraphy Information** Yes Above/Below Geological Material From To (ft.) Color Hardness **Casing Diameter** Weight SANDY CLAY 7 M.SOFT **BROWN** 6 in. To 42 ft. lbs./ft. SAND 7 9 BROWN SANDY CLAY 9 17 **BROWN** CLAY & ROCK 17 21 **BROWN** SANDY CLAY 21 29 **BROWN** Open Hole То 145 ft. From ft. CLAY & GRAVEL 29 33 **BROWN** Type Make Screen? CLAY & ROCK 33 36 **GRAY** SILTY SAND 36 36 **BROWN** CLAY & ROCK 36 40 GRAY GRANITE 36 145 GRAY Static Water Level 05/27/1988 ft. land surface Measure Pumping Level (below land surface) 140 ft. 0.5 hrs. Pumping at g.p.m. Wellhead Completion Pitless adapter manufacturer Model Casing Protection ___ 12 in. above grade At-grade (Environmental Wells and Borings ONLY) Well Grouted? X Yes **Grouting Information** No Not Specified Material Amount From To bentonite ft. ft. Nearest Known Source of Contamination Northeas Direction feet Septic tank/drain field Type Well disinfected upon completion? Yes X Pump Not Installed Date Installed Manufacturer's name HP Model Number Volt Length of drop pipe ft Capacity Тур g.p. Abandoned Does property have any not in use and not sealed well(s)? Yes X No Variance Was a variance granted from the MDH for this well? Yes No Miscellaneous First Bedrock Denham Formation Aquifer Denham Last Strat Depth to Bedrock Denham Formation ft Located by Minnesota Geological Survey Remarks Locate Method GPS SA Off (averaged) (15 meters) UTM - NAD83, Zone 15, Meters System X 492577 Y 5134370 Unique Number Verification Site Plan Input Date 03/29/2002 Angled Drill Hole Well Contractor Rosga Well Co. 58069 ROSGA, T. Name of Driller Licensee Business Lic. or Reg. No. 441223 Printed on 01/30/2025

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County Aitkin Quad Malmo Quad ID 209D

MINNESOTA DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH WELL AND BORING REPORT

Minnesota Statutes Chapter 1031

Entry Date 10/31/1990 **Update Date**

Received Date

01/03/2020

Well Name Township Range Dir Section Subst OTT, GEORGE 45 25 W 33 CCC	ection BBD	Well Depth 68 ft.		Depth Completed 68 ft.	Date W 07/21/19	ell Completed	
Elevation 1272 Elev. Method 7.5 minute topographic ma		Drill Method		ified Rotary	Drill Fluid Bent		
Address		Use domes			Deni	Status	Active
C/W GLEN RT BOX 244 AITKIN MN 56431		Well Hydrofra	ctured?	Yes No	From	To	
		Casing Type			Joint		
Stratigraphy Information		Drive Shoe?	Yes	No X	Above/Below	1 ft.	
Geological Material From To (ft.) Color	Hardness	Casing Diame	eter W	eight			
SANDY CLAY 0 32 BROWN	MEDIUM	4 in. To	60 ft.	lbs./ft.			
CLAY 32 59 GRAY	MEDIUM						
SAND 59 64 GRAY	SOFT						
BROKEN LEDGE 64 68	HARD						
		Open Hole	From	ft.	То	ft.	
		Screen?		Type stainless		JOHNSON	
		Diameter 2 in.	Slot/Gauze	Length 8 ft.	Set 60 ft.	68 ft.	
		2 111.	12	0 11.	00 11.	00 11.	
		Static Water	Level				
		28 ft.	land surf	ace	Measure	07/21/1989	
		Pumping Le	vel (below la	and surface)			
		37 ft.	1 hrs.	Pumping at	11 g	.p.m.	
		Wellhead Co	ompletion				
		Pitless adapter		1111111111111		lodel J	
			Protection	⊥ 12 in ental Wells and Bo	above grade		
		Grouting Inf			X Yes N	o Not St	pecified
		Material		Ame		From To	
		neat cement				10 ft. 30	
		Nearest Kno	own Source	of Contamination			
		<u>100</u> fe	eet	Direction		otic tank/drain fi	eld Type
		Well disinfe	cted upon co	ompletion?	X Yes	No	
		Pump Manufacturer			ate Installed	08/04/1989	
		Model Numb		AERMOTOR -50 HP ().5 Vo	lt <u>230</u>	
		Length of dro	5512	ft Capacity		Typ <u>Submers</u>	ible
		Abandoned					
		Does property	have any not	in use and not sealed	well(s)?	Yes	X No
		Variance Was a variance	ce granted from	n the MDH for this we	11?	Yes	No
		Miscellaneou					
		First Bedrock	Little Fa	alls Formation	Aquifer	multiple	
		Last Strat		alls Formation	Depth to Be	drock 64	ft
Remarks		Located by		mesota Geological S	•		
-		Locate Metho System	2.5	tization (Screen) - No. 1083, Zone 15, Meters			1440
		Unique Numb					16/2001
		Angled Drill	Hole				
		Well Contra	oton				
		A & M Dri			48589	ROBB,	D.
		Licensee B		Lic.	or Reg. No.	Name of Dr	
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County Aitkin Split Rock Quad

MINNESOTA DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH WELL AND BORING REPORT

Entry Date Update Date

10/20/1993 05/16/2017

Minnesota Statutes Chapter 1031 Quad ID 207B **Received Date** 09/30/1993 Well Name Well Depth Date Well Completed Township Range Dir Section Subsection **Depth Completed**

CRANCER, 45	22	W 5	BBBB	CA	65 ft.		65 ft.	06	5/22/1993		
Elevation 1292 Elev. M	Iethod 1	LiDAR 1m E	DEM (MNDNR)	Drill Method	Non-spec	ified Rotary	Drill Fluid	Bentonite		
Address					Use domes	stic			Sta	tus Active	
Contact 861 IVY AV	V E ST PAU	L MN 5510	06		Well Hydrofra	ctured?	Yes	No Fro	m	То	
					Casing Type	Single c		Join	t Threaded	i	_
Stratigraphy Information					Drive Shoe?	Yes	No	Above/B	elow		
Geological Material	From	To (ft.)	Color	Hardness	Casing Diame		eight		Hole Di	iameter	
CLAY/COBBLES	0	32	BROWN	M.HARD	4 in. To	61 ft. 1	l 1 lbs./ft.		6.2 in.	To 65 ft.	
SANDY CLAY	32	45	BROWN	M.SOFT							
CLAY/COBBLES	45	51	BROWN	M.HARD							
SANDY CLAY	51	61	BROWN	MEDIUM							
MED. COARSE SAND	61	65	BROWN	SOFT	Open Hole	From	ft.	To	ft.		_
SILTY FINE SAND	65	65	BROWN	SOFT	Screen? Diameter 2 in.		Type sta Length		ake WESCO ft. 65	ft.	
					Static Water 6.5 ft.	Level land surf	ace	Measur	e 06/22/	/1993	
					Pumping Lev 49 ft.	vel (below la 0.5 hrs.	and surface) Pumping at	: 15	g.p.m.		
						manufacturer Protection	X	ITOR 12 in. above gra d Borings ONLY			
					Grouting Inf	ormation	Well Grout	ed? X Yes	No	Not Specified	
					Material			Amount	From	То	
					bentonite			2 Sacks	0	ft. 30 ft.	
						eet North	of Contamina wes Direction ompletion?	tion Yes	Septic tank/d	drain field Type	
					Pump Manufacturer	Not	Installed GOULDS	Date Installed		93	_
					Model Numb	er <u>10EJ0</u>		P <u>0.5</u>	Volt 23	0	
					Length of dro			ncity 10 g.p		<u>ıbmersible</u>	
					Abandoned						
					Does property	have any not	in use and not s	ealed well(s)?		Yes X No	
					Variance Was a variance	ce granted from	n the MDH for t	his well?	Yes	☐ No	
					Miscellaneou First Bedrock Last Strat Located by	sand+sil	t-brown nesota Geolog	Depti	uifer Quat. bu	rried ft	
Remarks					Locate Metho	_	_	gicai Survey aged) (15 meters)		
OLD WELL SEALED #H31293					System		D83, Zone 15, N			Y 5140595	
					Unique Numb	er Verification	Site :	Plan	Input Date	03/29/2002	
					Angled Drill	Hole					
					Well Contra			500.50		EDVE E	
					Rosga Wel Licensee B			58069 Lic. or Reg. No		FRYE, F. e of Driller	
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County Aitkin
Quad Malmo
Quad ID 209D

MINNESOTA DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH WELL AND BORING REPORT

Minnesota Statutes Chapter 1031

Entry Date Update Date

11/25/1996 01/03/2020

Received Date

Well Name Township HANSON, GENE 44	Range Dir S 25 W 4	ection Subsecti ACBDA		Well Depth 126 ft.		Depth Completed 126 ft.	Date V 05/30/1	Vell Completed	
Elevation 1294 Elev. Me		m DEM (MNDNR)	_	Drill Method	Non-spec	cified Rotary	Drill Fluid Ber		
Address	ElD/IIC I	III DENI (MINDINIO)		Use dome:			Bei	Status	Active
C/W HC 69 BOX 1	109 ISI F MN			Well Hydrofra		Yes No	From		
C/W IIC 07 BOX	10) ISLL WIT			Casing Type			Joint	То	
Stratigraphy Information				Drive Shoe?		No X	Above/Below		
Geological Material	From To (f	t.) Color l	Hardness	Casing Diame	eter W	/eight		Hole Diameter	r
TOPSOIL	0 2	BLACK		4 in. To	118 ft.	lbs./ft.		6.2 in. To	126 ft.
CLAY, SAND	2 18	RED/BRN							
ROCKS, CLAY	18 42	BROWN							
CLAY, GRAVEL	42 77	GRAY							
SAND	77 84	BROWN		Open Hole	From	ft.	То	ft.	
CLAY, GRAVEL	84 117	GRAY		-	X	Type stainles		JOHNSON	
SAND	117 126	BROWN		Diameter	Slot/Gauze		Set		
				2 in.	12	11 ft.	118 ft.	126 ft.	
				Static Water	r Level				
				25 ft.	land sur	face	Measure	05/30/1996	
				Pumping Le	vel (below l	and surface)			
				25 ft.	hrs.	Pumping at	30	g.p.m.	
				Wellhead C	ompletion				
				Pitless adapte	-	WHITEW.	ATER N	Model	
					Protection		n. above grade		
				_		nental Wells and Bo			
				Grouting In	formation	Well Grouted?			pecified
				Material			ount	From To	
				high solids b	bentonne	2	Sacks	10 ft. 40	ft.
				Nearest Kno	own Source	of Contamination			
					eet <u>S</u> ected upon co	outh Direction ompletion?	Yes Se	ptic tank/drain fi No	ield Type
				Pump		t Installed D	ate Installed	09/00/1996	
				Manufacture		FLINT & WALLI			
				Model Numb Length of dro				olt <u>220</u>	
				Abandoned	ор ріре	ft Capacity	g.p.	Typ Submers	<u>ible</u>
					y have any not	t in use and not sealed	well(s)?	Yes	X No
				Variance	-				
				Was a varian	ce granted from	m the MDH for this we	ell?	Yes	X No
				Miscellaneo	us				
				First Bedrock			Aquifer	Quat. buried	
				Last Strat	sand-bro	own	Depth to B	edrock	ft
Remarks				Located by		nnesota Geological	•		
Kemai Ks				Locate Metho	01.	S SA Off (averaged) AD83, Zone 15, Meters		040 W 540	07.0
				System Unique Numb	ber Verificatio		.01		
						n Tax Reco	ras	11put Bate 02/	/23/2016
				Angled Dril	i moie				
				Well Contra	nctor				
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County Aitkin

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Quad ID 208C

MINNESOTA DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH WELL AND BORING REPORT

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 Entry Date
 01/28/1997

 Update Date
 05/18/2017

 Received Date
 12/30/1996

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Well Name Dir Section Subsection Well Depth **Depth Completed Date Well Completed** Township Range SWENSON, RAY 45 25 W 33 DDBDDA 65 ft. 65 ft. 10/16/1996 1279 Drill Method Non-specified Rotary Elevation Elev. Method LiDAR 1m DEM (MNDNR) Drill Fluid Bentonite Address Use domestic Status Active Well Hydrofractured? C/W HC 69 BOX 129 ISLE MN 56342 Yes [From No To Joint Casing Type Single casing **Drive Shoe?** No Yes Above/Below Stratigraphy Information Geological Material To (ft.) Color Hardness From **Casing Diameter** Weight Hole Diameter SAND CLAY & ROCK 0 50 **BROWN MEDIUM** 6 in. To 57 ft. lbs./ft. 6.5 in. To 65 ft. SAND 50 65 **BROWN** MEDIUM Open Hole To ft. From ft. Type stainless Make JOHNSON Screen? X Diameter Slot/Gauze Length Set in. 10 8 ft. 57 ft. 65 ft. Static Water Level 10/16/1996 ft. land surface Measure Pumping Level (below land surface) hrs. Pumping at g.p.m. Wellhead Completion Pitless adapter manufacturer MONITOR Model SNAPPY Casing Protection 12 in. above grade At-grade (Environmental Wells and Borings ONLY) **Grouting Information** Well Grouted? X Yes No Not Specified То Material Amount From ft. 30 bentonite 0 ft. 30 ft. 65 ft. cuttings Nearest Known Source of Contamination Direction feet Type Well disinfected upon completion? Yes No X Pump Not Installed Date Installed Manufacturer's name STA-RITE HP Model Number 0.5 Volt 230 Length of drop pipe ft Capacity 10 g.p. Typ Submersible Abandoned Does property have any not in use and not sealed well(s)? Yes X No Variance Was a variance granted from the MDH for this well? Yes X No Miscellaneous First Bedrock Aquifer Quat. buried Last Strat Depth to Bedrock ft sand-brown Located by Minnesota Geological Survey Remarks Locate Method GPS SA Off (averaged) (15 meters) UTM - NAD83, Zone 15, Meters System X 461764 Y 5131508 Unique Number Verification Input Date Site Plan 04/16/2001 Angled Drill Hole Well Contractor Hasskamp Bros. Well 01310 LLOYD Name of Driller Licensee Business Lic. or Reg. No. 591054 Printed on 12/16/2024 Minnesota Well Index Report

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County Aitkin
Quad Ronald
Quad ID 207A

MINNESOTA DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH WELL AND BORING REPORT

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Entry Date

04/20/1999

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Well Name Dir Section Subsection Well Depth **Depth Completed Date Well Completed** Township Range BROUSE. 22 W 3 DDDDDDC 205 ft. 205 ft. 06/17/1998 45 1296 **Drill Method** Drill Fluid Bentonite Multiple methods used Elevation Elev. Method LiDAR 1m DEM (MNDNR) Address Use domestic Status Active Well Hydrofractured? Contact 5247 SUMMERS RD DULUTH MN 55803 Yes No From To Casing Type Single casing **Joint** Welded Yes X **Drive Shoe?** No Above/Below Stratigraphy Information Geological Material From To (ft.) Color Hardness **Casing Diameter** Weight Hole Diameter TOPSOIL SOFT 1 BLACK 6 in. To 60 ft. 19 lbs./ft. in. To 205 ft. CLAY 1 37 **BROWN MEDIUM** SILT & MUD 37 **BROWN** SOFT 38 CLAY 38 **MEDIUM** 56 **BROWN** SILT 56 57 **BROWN** SOFT Open Hole То 205 ft. From ft. SHALE 57 66 **GRAY** Make Screen? Type SLATE ROCK 66 205 GRY/RED M.HARD Static Water Level 06/17/1998 ft. land surface Measure Pumping Level (below land surface) 200 ft. hrs. Pumping at g.p.m. Wellhead Completion Pitless adapter manufacturer Model Casing Protection 12 in. above grade At-grade (Environmental Wells and Borings ONLY) Well Grouted? X Yes **Grouting Information** No Not Specified Material Amount From To bentonite ft. ft. Nearest Known Source of Contamination 110 Northwes Direction feet Septic tank/drain field Type Well disinfected upon completion? Yes Pump Not Installed Date Installed Manufacturer's name HP Model Number Volt Length of drop pipe ft Capacity g.p. Тур Abandoned Does property have any not in use and not sealed well(s)? Yes X No Variance Was a variance granted from the MDH for this well? Yes X No Miscellaneous First Bedrock weathering residuum unc. Aquifer multiple Last Strat Depth to Bedrock Little Falls Formation ft Located by Minnesota Geological Survey Remarks Locate Method GPS SA Off (averaged) (15 meters) NEAREST SOURCE OF CONT: PRIVY. UTM - NAD83, Zone 15, Meters System X 492552 Y 5139040 Unique Number Verification Input Date Site Plan 02/23/2016 Angled Drill Hole Well Contractor Lakehead Well 09199 KENT, BOB Licensee Business Lic. or Reg. No. Name of Driller 594471 Printed on 01/30/2025 Minnesota Well Index Report

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County Aitkin
Quad Malmo
Quad ID 209D

MINNESOTA DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH WELL AND BORING REPORT

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 Entry Date
 03/12/1998

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 01/03/2020

 Received Date
 01/12/1998

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Well Name Dir Section Subsection Well Depth Depth Completed **Date Well Completed** Township Range JOHNSON, JEFF 25 W 5 141 ft. 141 ft. 09/10/1997 ADADAC 1272 **Drill Method** Drill Fluid Bentonite Non-specified Rotary Elevation Elev. Method LiDAR 1m DEM (MNDNR) Address Use domestic Status Active Well Hydrofractured? Contact GLEN AITKIN MN 56431 Yes [From No To Casing Type Single casing Joint **Drive Shoe?** No Yes Above/Below Stratigraphy Information Geological Material From To (ft.) Color Hardness **Casing Diameter** Weight Hole Diameter TOPSOIL 0 3 **MEDIUM** BLACK 4 in. To 133 ft. lbs./ft. 6.5 in. To 141 ft. 3 SAND 13 **BROWN MEDIUM** CLAY & GRAVEL 13 60 **GRAY MEDIUM** SAND 60 GRAY **MEDIUM** 63 CLAY & GRAVEL 63 130 **BROWN MEDIUM** Open Hole To ft. From ft. SAND **MEDIUM** 130 141 **BROWN** Type stainless Make JOHNSON Screen? X Diameter Slot/Gauze Length Set in. 12 8 ft. 133 ft. 141 ft. Static Water Level 09/10/1997 ft. land surface Measure Pumping Level (below land surface) hrs. Pumping at 50 g.p.m. Wellhead Completion Pitless adapter manufacturer MONITOR Model SNAPPY Casing Protection 12 in. above grade At-grade (Environmental Wells and Borings ONLY) Well Grouted? X Yes **Grouting Information** No Not Specified Material Amount From To ft. 30 bentonite 0 ft. 30 ft. 141 ft. cuttings Nearest Known Source of Contamination Direction feet Type Well disinfected upon completion? Yes No X Pump Not Installed Date Installed Manufacturer's name STA RITE HP Model Number 0.5 Volt 230 Length of drop pipe ft Capacity 10 g.p. Typ Submersible Abandoned Does property have any not in use and not sealed well(s)? Yes X No Variance Was a variance granted from the MDH for this well? Yes X No Miscellaneous First Bedrock Aquifer Quat. buried Last Strat Depth to Bedrock ft sand-brown Located by Minnesota Geological Survey Remarks Locate Method GPS SA Off (averaged) (15 meters) UTM - NAD83, Zone 15, Meters System X 460332 Y 5130751 Unique Number Verification Input Date Site Plan 02/23/2016 Angled Drill Hole Well Contractor Hasskamp Bros. Well 01310 HASSKAMP, L. Licensee Business Lic. or Reg. No. Name of Driller 603470 Printed on 01/30/2025 Minnesota Well Index Report

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County Aitkin
Quad Malmo
Quad ID 209D

MINNESOTA DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH WELL AND BORING REPORT

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Elevation 1270 Elev. Metho	_	DEM (MNDNR)	C	Drill Method	Non-specified		Drill Fluid Bento	
Address				Use domes	•			Status Active
Contact 228 3RD AV E	SHAKOPEE MN :	55379		Well Hydrofra	ctured?	Yes No	From	То
				Casing Type			Joint	10
Stratigraphy Information				Drive Shoe?		No	Above/Below	
e	From To (ft.)		Hardness	Casing Diame	_			
SAND	0 18		MEDIUM	4 in. To	124 ft.	lbs./ft.		
SAND CLAY & ROCK	18 40 40 80		MEDIUM MEDIUM					
CLAY & ROCK	80 96		MEDIUM					
DIRTY SAND	96 110		MEDIUM					
SAND	110 132	BROWN N	MEDIUM	Open Hole	From	ft.	To Make II	ft.
				Screen? Diameter	•	pe stainless Length	Make Jo Set	OHNSON
				2 in.		8 ft.	124 ft.	132 ft.
				Static Water	Level			
				13 ft.	land surface		Measure	03/30/1998
				Pumping Lev	vel (below land s	urface)		
				ft.	1 hrs. Pu	imping at	50 g. ₁	p.m.
				Wellhead Co				
				Pitless adapter		MONITOR		odel SNAPPY
					Protection e (Environmental		above grade ngs ONLY)	
				Grouting Inf			X Yes No	Not Specified
				Material		Amo	unt	From To
				cuttings				30 ft. 132 ft.
				high solids b	entonite			ft. 30 ft.
				Nearest Kno	wn Source of Co	ontamination		
				<u>50</u> fe	et <u>South</u> I	Direction	<u>Sept</u>	ic tank/drain field Type
				Well disinfe	cted upon comple	etion?	Yes	No
				Pump Manufacturer	Not Inst		te Installed (03/30/1998
				Model Number	517	ARRITE HP 0	<u>.5</u> Volt	230
				Length of dro		ft Capacity		Гур <u>Submersible</u>
				Abandoned				
				Does property	have any not in use	e and not sealed w	rell(s)?	Yes X No
				Variance	e granted from the	MDH for this wal	12	Yes X No
				Miscellaneou		WIDIT for this wer		Yes X No
				First Bedrock	2.5		Aquifer	Quat. buried
				Last Strat	sand-brown		Depth to Bed	
Remarks				Located by		ta Geological S	•	
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MINNESOTA DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH WELL AND BORING REPORT

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Well Name Well Depth **Date Well Completed** Township Range Dir Section Subsection Depth Completed PAYNE, DOUG 22 W 23 CCBACA 25 ft. 25 ft. 11/04/1998 **Drill Method** Non-specified Rotary Drill Fluid Bentonite Elevation 1278 Elev. Method LiDAR 1m DEM (MNDNR) Address Use domestic Status Active Well Well Hydrofractured? RR 2 BOX 65A MCGRATH MN 55350 Yes No X From To 25329 LEVER ST NE ISANTI MN 55040 Contact Casing Type Single casing **Joint** X Drive Shoe? Stratigraphy Information Yes Above/Below Geological Material From To (ft.) Color Hardness Casing Diameter Weight **Hole Diameter** SOFT TOP SOIL 0 3 RED 5 in. To 17 ft. 2.65 lbs./ft. 8 in. To 25 ft. MEDIUM CLAY GRAVEL 3 17 RED AQUIFER 17 25 **BROWN** SOFT Open Hole То From ft. ft. Make JOHNSON Screen? Type stainless X Slot/Gauze Set Diameter Length 5 in. 7 8 17 ft. 25 ft. Static Water Level 10/12/1998 land surface Measure Pumping Level (below land surface) ft. 2 hrs. Pumping at 5 g.p.m. Wellhead Completion Pitless adapter manufacturer MONITOR Model SNAPPY Casing Protection 12 in. above grade At-grade (Environmental Wells and Borings ONLY) Well Grouted? X Yes **Grouting Information** No Not Specified Material Amount From To 0 ft. 15 high solids bentonite 3 Cubic yards ft. cuttings 15 ft. 17 ft. Nearest Known Source of Contamination Northeas Direction feet Septic tank/drain field Type Well disinfected upon completion? X Yes No Pump 11/04/1998 Not Installed Date Installed Manufacturer's name AERMOTOR, 2 WIRE Model Number HP 0.5 Volt 220 T12-50-Length of drop pipe Capacity 15 12 g.p. Typ Submersible Abandoned Yes X Does property have any not in use and not sealed well(s)? No Variance Was a variance granted from the MDH for this well? Yes X No Miscellaneous First Bedrock Aquifer Quat. buried Last Strat Quat. deposit-brown Depth to Bedrock ft Located by Minnesota Geological Survey Remarks Locate Method GPS SA Off (averaged) (15 meters) UTM - NAD83, Zone 15, Meters System X 492776 Y 5134530 Unique Number Verification Input Date Site Plan 02/23/2016 **Angled Drill Hole** Well Contractor Bill's Well Drilling, Inc. 33709 JOHNSON, MIKE Licensee Business Lic. or Reg. No. Name of Driller 621661 Printed on 01/30/2025 Minnesota Well Index Report

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Well Name Dir Section Subsection Well Depth **Depth Completed Date Well Completed** Township Range DEXHEIMER. 25 W 33 83 ft. 83 ft. 11/08/1999 CCCCCB 1269 **Drill Method** Non-specified Rotary Elevation Elev. Method LiDAR 1m DEM (MNDNR) Drill Fluid Bentonite Address Use domestic Status Active Well Hydrofractured? Contact HC 69 BOX 132D ISLE MN 56342 Yes [From No To Joint Casing Type Single casing **Drive Shoe?** Yes No Above/Below Stratigraphy Information Geological Material From To (ft.) Color Hardness **Casing Diameter** Weight Hole Diameter CLAY **BROWN** SOFT 6 4 in. To 75 ft. 3 lbs./ft. in. To 83 ft. SAND 6 15 **BROWN** SOFT CLAY **BROWN MEDIUM** 15 40 SAND 40 42 **MEDIUM** GRAY CLAY 42 75 **GRAY MEDIUM** Open Hole To ft. From ft. **MEDIUM** SAND 75 83 **GRAY** Type stainless Make JOHNSON Screen? X Diameter Slot/Gauze Length Set in. 12 10 ft. 75 ft. 83 ft. Static Water Level 11/08/1999 ft. land surface Measure Pumping Level (below land surface) Pumping at 15 g.p.m. Wellhead Completion Pitless adapter manufacturer Model Casing Protection X 12 in. above grade At-grade (Environmental Wells and Borings ONLY) Well Grouted? X Yes **Grouting Information** No Not Specified Material From To Amount ft. 60 high solids bentonite 0 ft. 6 Sacks Nearest Known Source of Contamination feet Type Well disinfected upon completion? Yes No X Pump Not Installed Date Installed Manufacturer's name HP Model Number Volt Length of drop pipe ft Capacity Тур g.p. Abandoned Does property have any not in use and not sealed well(s)? Yes X No Variance Was a variance granted from the MDH for this well? Yes X No Miscellaneous First Bedrock Aquifer Quat. buried Last Strat Depth to Bedrock ft sand-gray Located by Minnesota Geological Survey Remarks Locate Method GPS SA Off (averaged) (15 meters) UTM - NAD83, Zone 15, Meters System X 460416 Y 5131298 Unique Number Verification Input Date Site Plan 05/23/2017 Angled Drill Hole Well Contractor Northland Drilling, Inc. 49697 KERSTING, R. Licensee Business Name of Driller Lic. or Reg. No. 639884 Printed on 01/30/2025

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MINNESOTA DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH WELL AND BORING REPORT

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	Township	Range	Dir Secti			Well Depth		Depth Completed		Vell Completed	
	45	25	W 34	DDBC	CAD	62 ft.		62 ft.	11/07/2		
Elevation 1295	Elev. Met	thod	LiDAR 1m D	EM (MNDNF	₹)	Drill Method		ecified Rotary	Drill Fluid Ben		
Address						Use domes	stic			Status	Active
Contact 3	6877 304TH	LA NW	AITKIN MN	I 56431		Well Hydrofra	actured?	Yes No	X From	To	
						Casing Type		casing	Joint		
Stratigraphy Infor Geological Material		From	To (ft.)	Color	Hardness	Drive Shoe?		No L	Above/Below		
CLAY & ROCKS		0	35	BROWN	MEDIUM	Casing Diame	54 ft.	Weight lbs./ft.		Hole Diamete 6.5 in. To	er 62 ft.
SAND		35	44	GRAY	MEDIUM	4 III. 10	34 16.	103./10.		0.5 III. 10	02 11.
CLAY & ROCKS		44	50	GRAY	HARD						
SAND		50	62	GRAY	MEDIUM						
						Open Hole	From	ft.	То	ft.	
						_	X	Type stainless		JOHNSON	
						Diameter	Slot/Gauz	e Length	Set		
						2 in.	12	8 ft.	54 ft.	62 ft.	
						Static Water	r Level				
						34 ft.	land sur	rface	Measure	11/07/2001	
						Pumping Le	vel (below	land surface)			
						ft.	1 hrs.	Pumping at	13.5	g.p.m.	
						Wellhead Co	ompletion				
						Pitless adapter		1,101,1101,		Model SNAPI	PY
							Protection	12 in mental Wells and Bor	above grade		
						Grouting Inf				lo Not S	Specified
						Material		Amo			
						high solids b	bentonite	3	Sacks	0 ft. 30	
						Nearest Kno	own Source	e of Contamination			
						<u>50</u> fe	eet	Direction			Type
						Well disinfe	ected upon o	completion?	X Yes	No	
						Pump Manufacturer			ate Installed		
						Model Numb		STA-RITE HP () <u>.5</u> Vo	olt <u>230</u>	
						Length of dro		50 ft Capacity	<u>).5 </u>	Typ <u>Submer</u>	rsible
						Abandoned		<u> </u>	10 81	JT <u>Businers</u>	<u> </u>
						Does property	y have any no	ot in use and not sealed v	well(s)?	Yes	X No
						Variance	. 16	d MDHC 4:		V	V
								om the MDH for this we	11?	Yes	X No
						Miscellaneou First Bedrock			Aquifer	Quat. buried	
						Last Strat	sand-gi	rav	Depth to Be	-	ft
						Located by	_	innesota Geological S	urvey		
Remarks						Locate Metho	O1	S SA Off (averaged)	(15 meters)		
						System		AD83, Zone 15, Meters	X 463		31501
						Unique Numb		on Site Plan	I:	nput Date 05	5/23/2017
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						Well Contra			01210		WD.
						Hasskamp Licensee B	Bros. Well Business		01310 or Reg. No.	LLOY Name of D	
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Well Name Township DAMER, HAVEN 44	Range Dir Sec 25 W 2	ction Subsect DBDCC		Well Depth 77 ft.		Depth Completed 7 ft.	Date \ 01/11/	Well Completed /2002	l
Elevation 1315 Elev. M		DEM (MNDNR)		Drill Method	Non-specif		Drill Fluid Be		
Address		· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·		Use dome:	stic			Status	Active
C/W 29494 210TI	H ST ISLE MN 5634	2		Well Hydrofra	actured?	Yes No	X From	То	
				Casing Type	e Single ca		Joint		
Stratigraphy Information				Drive Shoe?	Yes	No X	Above/Below	7	
Geological Material	From To (ft.)		Hardness	Casing Diame	eter Wei	ight		Hole Diamet	er
CLAY	0 37	BROWN	MEDIUM	4 in. To	73 ft. 3	lbs./ft.		8 in. To	77 ft.
CLAY (ROCKY)	37 73	GRAY	HARD						
SAND	73 77	GRAY	MEDIUM						
				Open Hole	From	ft.	То	ft.	
					X	Type stainless		JOHNSON	
				Diameter 3 in.	Slot/Gauze	Length 4 ft.	Set 73 ft.	77 ft.	
				Static Water				01/11/2000	
				29 ft.	land surfa		Measure	01/11/2002	<u> </u>
				ft.	vel (below lar hrs.	Pumping at	11	g.p.m.	
				Wellhead C	ompletion				
					r manufacturer			Model	
					Protection le (Environme	X 12 in ntal Wells and Bor	. above grade ings ONLY)		
				Grouting In	formation	Well Grouted?	X Yes	No Not	Specified
				Material		Amo			Го
				high solids b	pentonite	5	Sacks	0 ft. 6	55 ft.
				<u>50</u> fo		f Contamination ith Direction npletion?	<u>S</u> X Yes	eptic tank/drain No	field Type
				Pump Manufacturer		Installed Da	ate Installed		
				Model Numb		HP	7	/olt	
				Length of dro	op pipe	ft Capacity	g.p.	Typ	
				Abandoned Does propert	v have anv not i	n use and not sealed v	vell(s)?	☐ Yes	X No
				Variance	, ,				110
					ce granted from	the MDH for this we	11?	Yes	X No
				Miscellaneo	us				
				First Bedrock				r Quat. buried	
				Last Strat	sand-gray		Depth to l	Bedrock	ft
Remarks				Located by Locate Metho		esota Geological S SA Off (averaged)	•		
				System	OI B	983, Zone 15, Meters	X 46	4558 Y 51	30032
				Unique Numb	per Verification	Tax Recor	ds	Input Date 0:	5/23/2017
				Angled Dril	l Hole				
				Well Contra	ector				
					Drilling, Inc.		49697	FENSK	E. N.
				Licensee E		Lic.	or Reg. No.	Name of I	
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Well Name Dir Section Subsection Well Depth **Depth Completed Date Well Completed** Township Range LUNDQUIST. 22 W 8 78 ft. 78 ft. 09/10/2003 **BBABCB** 1292 Drill Method Drill Fluid Bentonite Elevation Non-specified Rotary Elev. Method LiDAR 1m DEM (MNDNR) Address Use domestic Status Active Well Hydrofractured? Well 37002 150TH PL STURGEON LAKE MN 55783 Yes [X From No To Casing Type Single casing **Joint** X **Drive Shoe?** No Yes Above/Below Stratigraphy Information Geological Material To (ft.) Color Hardness From **Casing Diameter** Weight CLAY & ROCKS 0 48 **BROWN MEDIUM** 4 in. To 70 ft. lbs./ft. SAND 48 54 **BROWN** SOFT 70 CLAY & ROCKS 54 **GRAY MEDIUM** SAND 70 SOFT 78 GRAY Open Hole To ft. From ft. Type stainless Make JOHNSON Screen? X Diameter Slot/Gauze Length Set in. 12 8 ft. 70 ft. 78 ft. Static Water Level 09/10/2003 ft. land surface Measure Pumping Level (below land surface) hrs. Pumping at 20 g.p.m. Wellhead Completion Pitless adapter manufacturer **SNAPPY** Model 8PL41U Casing Protection 12 in. above grade At-grade (Environmental Wells and Borings ONLY) Well Grouted? **Grouting Information X** Yes No Not Specified From Material To Amount ft. 40 high solids bentonite 3 10 ft. Sacks Nearest Known Source of Contamination Direction feet Septic tank/drain field Type Well disinfected upon completion? Yes No X 09/12/2003 Pump Not Installed Date Installed Manufacturer's name **AERMOTOR** HP Model Number 0.5 Volt 230 T12-50 Length of drop pipe Capacity Typ Submersible 12 g.p. Abandoned Does property have any not in use and not sealed well(s)? Yes X No Variance Was a variance granted from the MDH for this well? Yes X No Miscellaneous First Bedrock Aquifer Quat. buried Last Strat Depth to Bedrock ft sand-gray Located by Minnesota Geological Survey Remarks Locate Method GPS SA Off (averaged) (15 meters) UTM - NAD83, Zone 15, Meters System X 487996 Y 5138996 Unique Number Verification Input Date Site Plan 02/23/2016 Angled Drill Hole Well Contractor A & M Drilling Co. 48717 ANDERSON, D. Licensee Business Lic. or Reg. No. Name of Driller 686399 Printed on 01/30/2025 Minnesota Well Index Report

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Quad Split Rock

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Well Name Dir Section Subsection Well Depth Depth Completed **Date Well Completed** Township Range GENE HAUER 22 W 33 06/24/2003 CCACBC 112 ft. 112 ft. 1288 **Drill Method** Drill Fluid Bentonite Non-specified Rotary Elevation Elev. Method LiDAR 1m DEM (MNDNR) Address domestic Status Active Well Hydrofractured? Contact 2449 EAGLE CREEK BL SHAKOPEE MN 55379 X Yes [From No To Casing Type Single casing Joint Threaded Yes X **Drive Shoe?** No Above/Below Stratigraphy Information Geological Material To (ft.) Color Hardness From **Casing Diameter** Weight Hole Diameter GRAVEL WITH CLAY 0 **MEDIUM** 17 **BROWN** 6 in. To 110 ft. 19 lbs./ft. 10. in. To 30 ft. CLAY & GRAVEL 17 26 **BROWN** M.HARD 8.7 in. To 110 ft. CLAY 26 29 **RED** HARD in. To 112 ft. CLAY & GRAVEL 29 101 HARD BROWN CLAY & COBBLES 101 106 **BROWN** V.HARD Open Hole 112 То ft. From ft. 110 SHALE 106 112 GRAY HARD Make Screen? Type Static Water Level 06/26/2003 ft. land surface Measure Pumping Level (below land surface) 0.6 hrs. Pumping at 20 g.p.m. Wellhead Completion Pitless adapter manufacturer MONITOR Model SNAPPY X 12 in. above grade Casing Protection At-grade (Environmental Wells and Borings ONLY) Well Grouted? X Yes **Grouting Information** No Not Specified Material Amount From To 0 ft. 30 high solids bentonite 2 ft. Sacks **Nearest Known Source of Contamination** Southwes Direction feet Septic tank/drain field Type Well disinfected upon completion? Yes No X 06/26/2003 Pump Not Installed Date Installed Manufacturer's name **GOULDS** HP Model Number 10GS05422 0.5 Volt 230 Length of drop pipe Capacity 10 g.p. Typ Submersible Abandoned Does property have any not in use and not sealed well(s)? Yes X No Variance Was a variance granted from the MDH for this well? Yes X No Miscellaneous First Bedrock weathering residuum unc. Aquifer Weathering Last Strat Depth to Bedrock weathering residuum unc. ft Located by Minnesota Geological Survey Remarks Locate Method GPS SA Off (averaged) (15 meters) UTM - NAD83, Zone 15, Meters System X 489582 Y 5140922 Unique Number Verification Site Plan Input Date 02/23/2016 Angled Drill Hole Well Contractor Rosga Well Co. 58069 ROSGA, T. Licensee Business Lic. or Reg. No. Name of Driller 690277 Printed on 01/30/2025 Minnesota Well Index Report

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Well Name Dir Section Subsection Well Depth **Depth Completed Date Well Completed** Township Range JORSON, LLOYD 44 25 W 4 **BBBABB** 60 ft. 60 ft. 06/11/2003 1271 **Drill Method** Drill Fluid Bentonite Non-specified Rotary Elevation Elev. Method LiDAR 1m DEM (MNDNR) Address Use domestic Status Active Well Hydrofractured? C/W 31903 220TH ST ISLE MN 55342 Yes [From No To Casing Type Single casing **Joint** Unknown **Drive Shoe?** No Yes Above/Below Stratigraphy Information Geological Material To (ft.) Color Hardness From **Casing Diameter** Weight Hole Diameter CLAY 0 **BROWN MEDIUM** 16 4 in. To 56 ft. lbs./ft. in. To 60 ft. CLAY 16 48 **GRAY** SOFT SAND GRAY SOFT 48 60 Open Hole То ft. From ft. Type telescoping Make JOHNSON Screen? X Diameter Slot/Gauze Length Set in. 15 4 ft. 56 ft. 60 ft. Static Water Level 06/11/2003 ft. land surface Measure Pumping Level (below land surface) Wellhead Completion Pitless adapter manufacturer Model Casing Protection X 12 in. above grade At-grade (Environmental Wells and Borings ONLY) Well Grouted? X Yes **Grouting Information** No Not Specified Material From To Amount 0 ft. 40 high solids bentonite 5 ft. Sacks Nearest Known Source of Contamination South Direction feet Septic tank/drain field Type Well disinfected upon completion? Yes X Pump Not Installed Date Installed Manufacturer's name HP Model Number Volt Length of drop pipe ft Capacity g.p. Тур Abandoned Does property have any not in use and not sealed well(s)? Yes X No Variance Was a variance granted from the MDH for this well? Yes X No Miscellaneous First Bedrock Aquifer Quat. buried Last Strat Depth to Bedrock ft sand-gray Located by Minnesota Geological Survey Remarks Locate Method Digitization (Screen) - Map (1:24,000) (15 meters or EXISTING WELL SEALED, SEE H206872 UTM - NAD83, Zone 15, Meters System X 460507 Y 5131243 Unique Number Verification Address verification Input Date 07/17/2017 Angled Drill Hole Well Contractor Northland Drilling, Inc. 49697 PUGH, G Licensee Business Lic. or Reg. No. Name of Driller 695007 Printed on 12/16/2024 Minnesota Well Index Report

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Quad Malmo
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MINNESOTA DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH WELL AND BORING REPORT

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Well Name Dir Section Subsection Well Depth **Depth Completed Date Well Completed** Township Range JOHNSON, JEFF 25 W 32 DDDCAC 106 ft. 106 ft. 10/21/2003 Drill Method 1261 Non-specified Rotary Elevation Elev. Method LiDAR 1m DEM (MNDNR) Drill Fluid Bentonite Address domestic Status Active Well Hydrofractured? C/W 32060 220TH ST AITKIN MN 56431 X Yes [From No To Joint Casing Type Single casing **Drive Shoe?** No Yes Above/Below Stratigraphy Information Geological Material From To (ft.) Color Hardness **Casing Diameter** Weight Hole Diameter SAND 8 **BROWN** 0 4 in. To 99 ft. lbs./ft. 6.5 in. To 106 ft. CLAY 8 28 **GRAY** SFT-MED SAND 40 28 HARD PAN 40 99 **MEDIUM** GRAY SAND 99 102 **BROWN** Open Hole То ft. From ft. HARD PAN 102 105 **BROWN** SOFT Type stainless Make JOHNSON Screen? X SAND 105 106 **BROWN** Diameter Slot/Gauze Length Set in. 12 8 ft. 98 ft. 106 ft. Static Water Level 10/21/2003 ft. land surface Measure Pumping Level (below land surface) hrs. Pumping at g.p.m. Wellhead Completion Pitless adapter manufacturer MONITOR Model SNAPPY Casing Protection 12 in. above grade At-grade (Environmental Wells and Borings ONLY) Well Grouted? **Grouting Information X** Yes No Not Specified Material From To Amount 0 ft. 30 high solids bentonite 5 ft. Sacks Nearest Known Source of Contamination Direction feet Type Well disinfected upon completion? Yes No X Pump Not Installed Date Installed Manufacturer's name STA-RITE HP Model Number 0.5 Volt 230 Length of drop pipe ft Capacity 10 g.p. Typ Submersible Abandoned Does property have any not in use and not sealed well(s)? Yes X No Variance Was a variance granted from the MDH for this well? Yes X No Miscellaneous First Bedrock Aquifer Quat. buried Last Strat Depth to Bedrock ft sand-brown Located by Minnesota Geological Survey Remarks Locate Method GPS SA Off (averaged) (15 meters) UTM - NAD83, Zone 15, Meters System X 460273 Y 5131327 Unique Number Verification Input Date Site Plan 02/23/2016 Angled Drill Hole Well Contractor Hasskamp Bros. Well 01310 LLOYD Licensee Business Lic. or Reg. No. Name of Driller 702322 Printed on 01/30/2025 Minnesota Well Index Report

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Well Name Dir Section Subsection Well Depth Depth Completed **Date Well Completed** Township Range KLEMZ, DOUG 22 W 6 **CDCADB** 114 ft. 09/28/2004 114 ft. 1286 Drill Method Drill Fluid Bentonite Non-specified Rotary Elevation Elev. Method LiDAR 1m DEM (MNDNR) Address domestic Status Active Well Hydrofractured? Contact 8800 LEYTE ST NE BLAINE MN X Yes [From No To Joint Casing Type Single casing **Drive Shoe?** No Yes Above/Below Stratigraphy Information Geological Material To (ft.) Color Hardness From **Casing Diameter** Weight Hole Diameter CLAY & ROCKS 0 **BROWN MEDIUM** 4 in. To 106 ft. lbs./ft. 6.5 in. To 114 ft. CLAY & SAND 25 38 **BROWN** SOFT HARDPAN 38 104 **GRAY HARD** SAND 104 **BROWN** 114 Open Hole To ft. From ft. Type stainless Make JOHNSON Screen? X Diameter Slot/Gauze Length Set in. 10 8 ft. 106 ft. 114 ft. Static Water Level 09/28/2004 ft. land surface Measure Pumping Level (below land surface) hrs. Pumping at 20 g.p.m. Wellhead Completion Pitless adapter manufacturer MONITOR Model SNAPPY Casing Protection 12 in. above grade At-grade (Environmental Wells and Borings ONLY) Well Grouted? **Grouting Information X** Yes No Not Specified Material Amount From To ft. 30 high solids bentonite ft. Sacks Nearest Known Source of Contamination Direction feet Type Well disinfected upon completion? Yes No X Pump Not Installed Date Installed Manufacturer's name STA-RITE HP Model Number 0.5 Volt 230 Length of drop pipe ft Capacity 10 g.p. Typ Submersible Abandoned Does property have any not in use and not sealed well(s)? Yes X No Variance Was a variance granted from the MDH for this well? Yes X No Miscellaneous First Bedrock Aquifer Quat. buried Last Strat Depth to Bedrock ft sand-brown Located by Minnesota Geological Survey Remarks Locate Method GPS SA Off (averaged) (15 meters) UTM - NAD83, Zone 15, Meters System X 486794 Y 5139208 Unique Number Verification Input Date Site Plan 05/23/2017 Angled Drill Hole Well Contractor Hasskamp Bros. Well 01310 LLOYD Licensee Business Lic. or Reg. No. Name of Driller 706624 Printed on 01/30/2025 Minnesota Well Index Report

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Well Depth **Date Well Completed** Well Name Township Range Dir Section Subsection Depth Completed RHODE, JUDY 25 W 35 CCBCAC 43 ft. 43 ft. 04/30/2004 45 Drill Fluid Bentonite 7.5 minute topographic map (+/- 5 feet) **Drill Method** Non-specified Rotary Elevation 1272 Elev. Method Address Use Status domestic Active Well Hydrofractured? C/W 22144 300TH PL ISLE MN 56342 Yes No X From T_0 Casing Type Single casing **Joint** Unknown X Stratigraphy Information Drive Shoe? Yes No Above/Below Geological Material From To (ft.) Color Hardness Casing Diameter Weight **Hole Diameter** CLAY 0 **MEDIUM** 15 **BROWN** 4 in. To 35 ft. 3 lbs./ft. 8 in. To 43 ft. SANDY CLAY 15 33 BROWN **MEDIUM** CLAY, SANDY, ROCKY 33 43 **BROWN** HARD Open Hole То From ft. ft. Make JOHNSON Screen? Type stainless X Slot/Gauze Set Diameter Length 3 in. 15 35 ft. 43 ft. Static Water Level 04/30/2004 land surface Measure Pumping Level (below land surface) ft. hrs. Pumping at 10 g.p.m. Wellhead Completion Pitless adapter manufacturer BAKER Model BULLDOG X 12 in. above grade Casing Protection At-grade (Environmental Wells and Borings ONLY) Well Grouted? X Yes **Grouting Information** No Not Specified Material Amount From To ft. 30 high solids bentonite 5 Sacks 0 ft. Nearest Known Source of Contamination North Direction feet Septic tank/drain field Type Well disinfected upon completion? X Yes No Pump 05/06/2004 Not Installed Date Installed Manufacturer's name STA-RITE Model Number HP 0.5 Volt 230 Length of drop pipe Capacity ft 10 g.p. Typ Submersible Abandoned Yes X Does property have any not in use and not sealed well(s)? No Variance Was a variance granted from the MDH for this well? Yes X No Miscellaneous First Bedrock Aquifer Quat. buried Last Strat pebbly sand/silt/clay-Depth to Bedrock ft Located by Minnesota Department of Health Locate Method Digitization (Screen) - Map (1:24,000) (15 meters or SEE H#222169 FOR ABANDONMENT OF TEST HOLE (#328529) UTM - NAD83, Zone 15, Meters System X 463655 Y 5131480 Unique Number Verification Input Date Info/GPS from data 06/10/2004 **Angled Drill Hole** Well Contractor Northland Drilling, Inc. 49697 HINES, R Licensee Business Lic. or Reg. No. Name of Driller 710665 Printed on 12/16/2024 Minnesota Well Index Report

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County Aitkin
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Quad ID 209D

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Well Name Dir Section Subsection Well Depth **Depth Completed Date Well Completed** Township Range BAYERLE, 25 W 32 DDDDDRC 100 ft. 100 ft. 10/15/2004 45 Drill Method 1264 Non-specified Rotary Elevation Elev. Method LiDAR 1m DEM (MNDNR) Drill Fluid Bentonite Address domestic Status Active Well Hydrofractured? Contact 32046 220TH ST AITKIN MN 56431 X Yes [From No To Joint Casing Type Single casing X **Drive Shoe?** No Yes Above/Below Stratigraphy Information Geological Material To (ft.) Color Hardness From **Casing Diameter** Weight CLAY & ROCKS 0 **BROWN MEDIUM** 13 4 in. To 96 ft. lbs./ft. SAND 13 17 **BROWN** SOFT **MEDIUM** CLAY & ROCKS 17 96 **GRAY** SAND 100 SOFT 96 GRAY Open Hole To ft. From ft. Type stainless Make JOHNSON Screen? X Diameter Slot/Gauze Length Set in. 12 4 ft. 96 ft. 100 ft. Static Water Level 10/15/2004 ft. land surface Measure Pumping Level (below land surface) hrs. Pumping at 20 g.p.m. Wellhead Completion Pitless adapter manufacturer **SNAPPY** Model 8PL41U Casing Protection 12 in. above grade At-grade (Environmental Wells and Borings ONLY) Well Grouted? **Grouting Information X** Yes No Not Specified From Material To Amount ft. 40 high solids bentonite 3 10 ft. Sacks Nearest Known Source of Contamination Direction feet Septic tank/drain field Type Well disinfected upon completion? Yes No X Pump Not Installed Date Installed 10/19/2004 Manufacturer's name **AERMOTOR** HP Model Number 0.5 Volt 230 T12-50 Length of drop pipe Capacity Typ Submersible 12 g.p. Abandoned Does property have any not in use and not sealed well(s)? Yes X No Variance Was a variance granted from the MDH for this well? Yes X No Miscellaneous First Bedrock Aquifer Quat. buried Last Strat Depth to Bedrock ft sand-gray Located by Minnesota Geological Survey Remarks Locate Method GPS SA Off (averaged) (15 meters) UTM - NAD83, Zone 15, Meters System X 460320 Y 5131322 Unique Number Verification Input Date Site Plan 02/23/2016 Angled Drill Hole Well Contractor A & M Drilling Co. 48717 ANDERSON, D. Licensee Business Lic. or Reg. No. Name of Driller 716969 Printed on 01/30/2025 Minnesota Well Index Report HE-01205-15

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County Aitkin
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Well Name Dir Section Subsection Well Depth Depth Completed **Date Well Completed** Township Range BURGESON, 22 W 34 144 ft. 144 ft. 08/31/2018 **DCCDDA** Drill Method 1280 Drill Fluid Bentonite Non-specified Rotary Elevation Elev. Method LiDAR 1m DEM (MNDNR) Address domestic Status Active Well Hydrofractured? Well 27552 KESTRAL AV MN X Yes [From No To Joint Casing Type Single casing **Drive Shoe?** No Yes Above/Below Stratigraphy Information To (ft.) Color Geological Material From Hardness **Casing Diameter** Weight Hole Diameter TOPSOIL in. To 84 ft. 18.9 lbs./ft. 10 in. To 84 ft. CLAY, ROCKS 2 80 in. To 144 ft. COARSE BOULDERS 80 84 ROCK 84 144 Open Hole 144 То ft. From ft. Make Screen? Type Static Water Level 08/31/2018 ft. land surface Measure Pumping Level (below land surface) hrs. Pumping at g.p.m. Wellhead Completion Pitless adapter manufacturer Model X 12 in. above grade Casing Protection At-grade (Environmental Wells and Borings ONLY) Well Grouted? **X** Yes **Grouting Information** No Not Specified То Material Amount From 55 ft. 84 ft. cuttings ft. 55 ft. high solids bentonite Sacks Nearest Known Source of Contamination 100 West Direction feet Septic tank/drain field Type Well disinfected upon completion? Yes X Pump Not Installed Date Installed Manufacturer's name HP Model Number Volt Length of drop pipe ft Capacity g.p. Тур Abandoned Does property have any not in use and not sealed well(s)? Yes X No Variance Was a variance granted from the MDH for this well? Yes X No Miscellaneous First Bedrock Little Falls Formation Aquifer Little Falls Last Strat Depth to Bedrock Little Falls Formation ft Located by Minnesota Geological Survey Remarks Locate Method Digitization (Screen) - Map (1:24,000) (15 meters or UTM - NAD83, Zone 15, Meters System X 491957 Y 5140677 Unique Number Verification Address verification Input Date 11/09/2018 Angled Drill Hole Well Contractor Mccullough and Sons, Inc. 1506 HOKENSON, J. Licensee Business Name of Driller Lic. or Reg. No. 836777 Printed on 01/30/2025 Minnesota Well Index Report

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Well Name Township Dir Section Subsection Well Depth Depth Completed **Date Well Completed** Range WAITE, STEVE 22 W 27 125 ft. 125 ft. 06/24/2005 **DCDACA Drill Method** 1313 Drill Fluid Bentonite Non-specified Rotary Elevation Elev. Method LiDAR 1m DEM (MNDNR) Address Use domestic Status Active Well Hydrofractured? Contact 12174 230TH LA MCGRATH MN 56350 X Yes [From No To Casing Type Single casing Joint Threaded Yes X **Drive Shoe?** No Above/Below Stratigraphy Information Geological Material To (ft.) Color Hardness From **Casing Diameter** Weight Hole Diameter GRAVEL W/ CLAY 0 **MEDIUM** 18 **BROWN** 6 in. To 54 ft. 19 lbs./ft. 10. in. To 30 ft. SANDY CLAY 18 25 **BROWN** SOFT in. To 54 ft. CLAY & SAND 25 30 **BROWN MEDIUM** in. To 125 ft. FINE GRAVEL W/ CLAY M.SOFT 30 38 RED COARSE SAND W/ SILT 38 45 **BROWN** SOFT Open Hole То 125 ft. From ft. 54 CLAY & GRAVEL 45 49 **BROWN** M.HARD Make Screen? Type SHALE 49 51 **GRAY** M.HARD GRANITE 51 125 ORANGE HARD Static Water Level 06/24/2005 ft. land surface Measure Pumping Level (below land surface) 0.6 hrs. Pumping at g.p.m. Wellhead Completion Pitless adapter manufacturer MONITOR Model SN X 12 in. above grade Casing Protection At-grade (Environmental Wells and Borings ONLY) Well Grouted? **X** Yes **Grouting Information** No Not Specified Material From To Amount ft. 30 high solids bentonite 2 ft. Sacks Nearest Known Source of Contamination Direction feet Type Well disinfected upon completion? Yes No X Pump Not Installed Date Installed 08/30/2005 Manufacturer's name **GOULDS** HP Model Number 10GS05412 0.5 Volt 230 Length of drop pipe Capacity 10 Typ Submersible g.p. Abandoned Does property have any not in use and not sealed well(s)? Yes X No Variance Was a variance granted from the MDH for this well? Yes X No Miscellaneous First Bedrock weathering residuum unc. Aquifer Mcgrath Gneiss Last Strat Depth to Bedrock Mcgrath Gneiss ft Located by Minnesota Geological Survey Remarks Locate Method GPS SA Off (averaged) (15 meters) UTM - NAD83, Zone 15, Meters System X 492157 Y 5132718 Unique Number Verification Site Plan Input Date 05/23/2017 Angled Drill Hole Well Contractor Rosga Well Co. 58069 ROSGA, T Licensee Business Lic. or Reg. No. Name of Driller 720834 Printed on 01/30/2025 Minnesota Well Index Report

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Well Name Dir Section Subsection Well Depth **Depth Completed Date Well Completed** Township Range WILSON, 22 W 34 125 ft. 125 ft. 09/07/2006 45 ABADAD 1308 Drill Method Drill Fluid Bentonite Non-specified Rotary Elevation Elev. Method LiDAR 1m DEM (MNDNR) Address domestic Status Active Well Hydrofractured? Contact 5309 82ND AV N BROOKLYN PARK MN 55443 X Yes [From No To Joint Casing Type Single casing Threaded Yes X **Drive Shoe?** No Above/Below Stratigraphy Information Geological Material To (ft.) Color Hardness From **Casing Diameter** Weight Hole Diameter CLAY & FINE SAND 0 8 M.SOFT 6 in. To 37 ft. 19 lbs./ft. 10 in. To 30 ft. CLAY & FINE GRAVEL 8 32 **BROWN** MEDIUM GRANITE 125 32 BLACK HARD Open Hole To 125 ft. From ft. Type Make Screen? Static Water Level 06/21/2006 ft. land surface Measure Pumping Level (below land surface) 0.8 hrs. Pumping at g.p.m. Wellhead Completion Pitless adapter manufacturer Model Casing Protection 12 in. above grade At-grade (Environmental Wells and Borings ONLY) **Grouting Information** Well Grouted? **X** Yes No Not Specified To Material From Amount ft. 30 well grouted, type unknown ft. Sacks Nearest Known Source of Contamination Direction feet Type Well disinfected upon completion? Yes No X Pump Not Installed Date Installed 06/21/2007 Manufacturer's name **GOULDS** HP Model Number 10GS05422 0.5 Volt 230 Length of drop pipe Capacity 10 g.p. Typ Submersible Abandoned Does property have any not in use and not sealed well(s)? Yes X No Variance Yes X Was a variance granted from the MDH for this well? No Miscellaneous First Bedrock Mcgrath Gneiss Aquifer Mcgrath Gneiss Last Strat Depth to Bedrock ft Mcgrath Gneiss Located by Minnesota Geological Survey Remarks Locate Method GPS SA Off (averaged) (15 meters) UTM - NAD83, Zone 15, Meters System X 492207 Y 5132446 Unique Number Verification Input Date Site Plan 05/23/2017 Angled Drill Hole Well Contractor Rosga Well Drilling, Inc. 1708 ROSGA, T. Licensee Business Lic. or Reg. No. Name of Driller 733798 Printed on 01/30/2025 Minnesota Well Index Report

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Well Name Well Depth **Date Well Completed** Township Range Dir Section Subsection Depth Completed TREBTOSKE. 22 W 26 **BCBAAC** 51 ft. 51 ft. 08/25/2006 45 Drill Fluid Qwik gel Drill Method Non-specified Rotary Elevation Elev. Method LiDAR 1m DEM (MNDNR) Address Use domestic Status Active Contact Well Hydrofractured? 19769 15 SH KIMBALL MN 55353 Yes No X From To Well KRESTREL AV MCGRATH MN 56350 Casing Type Single casing **Joint** Glued X Drive Shoe? Stratigraphy Information Yes No Above/Below Geological Material From To (ft.) Color Hardness Casing Diameter Weight **Hole Diameter** CLAY SOFT 0 9 BROWN 5 in. To 36 ft. 0 lbs./ft. 8.7 in. To 51 ft. SAND 9 13 **BROWN** SOFT CLAY & GRAVEL 13 36 **BROWN** SOFT SAND 36 51 **BROWN** SOFT Open Hole То From ft. ft. Make JOHNSON Screen? Type stainless X Slot/Gauze Set Diameter Length in. 10 15 36 ft. 51 ft. Static Water Level 08/25/2006 land surface Measure Pumping Level (below land surface) ft 2 hrs. Pumping at 7 g.p.m. Wellhead Completion Pitless adapter manufacturer BAKER Model SNAPPY X 12 in. above grade Casing Protection At-grade (Environmental Wells and Borings ONLY) Well Grouted? **Grouting Information X** Yes No Not Specified Material Amount From To ft. 51 pearock 0 26 ft. bentonite 3 ft. 26 ft. Sacks Nearest Known Source of Contamination Direction feet Type Well disinfected upon completion? Yes No Pump Date Installed 08/25/2006 Not Installed Manufacturer's name **AERMOTOR** Model Number HP 0.5 Volt 115 T12-50 Length of drop pipe Capacity 24 g.p. Typ Submersible Abandoned Does property have any not in use and not sealed well(s)? Yes No Variance Was a variance granted from the MDH for this well? Yes X No Miscellaneous First Bedrock Aquifer Quat. buried Last Strat Depth to Bedrock ft sand-brown Located by Minnesota Geological Survey Remarks GPS SA Off (averaged) (15 meters) Locate Method UTM - NAD83, Zone 15, Meters System X 492793 Y 5133748 Unique Number Verification Input Date Site Plan 02/23/2016 **Angled Drill Hole** Well Contractor Able Well, Inc. 1377 BECKWORTH, D. Licensee Business Lic. or Reg. No. Name of Driller 738233 Printed on 01/30/2025 Minnesota Well Index Report

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Quad Split Rock

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Well Name Dir Section Subsection Well Depth **Depth Completed Date Well Completed** Township Range URBIA-ROTE, 22 W 32 245 ft. 245 ft. 06/06/2007 **BCABBC Drill Method** 1305 Drill Fluid Bentonite Elevation Non-specified Rotary Elev. Method LiDAR 1m DEM (MNDNR) Address Use domestic Status Active Well Hydrofractured? Yes X Contact 238 DUNBAR WA MAHTOMEDI MN 55115 123 ft. No From 245 ft. To Casing Type Single casing Joint Threaded Yes X **Drive Shoe?** No Above/Below Stratigraphy Information Geological Material To (ft.) Color Hardness From **Casing Diameter** Weight Hole Diameter SANDY CLAY & 28 M.SOFT 0 in. To 105 ft. 19 lbs./ft. 10. in. To 30 ft. CLAY & COBBLES 28 52 **BROWN MEDIUM** 8.7 in. To 105 ft. SILTY SAND 52 58 **BROWN** V.SOFT in. To 245 ft. CLAY & SAND 58 MEDIUM 66 RED/BRN SANDY CLAY 66 91 **GRAY** HARD Open Hole 245 То ft. From ft. 105 SHALE 91 102 **GRAY** M.SOFT Make Screen? Type GRANITE 102 245 GRY/BLK V.HARD Static Water Level 07/19/2007 ft. land surface Measure Pumping Level (below land surface) hrs. Pumping at g.p.m. Wellhead Completion Pitless adapter manufacturer MONITOR Model SN X 12 in. above grade Casing Protection At-grade (Environmental Wells and Borings ONLY) **Grouting Information** Well Grouted? **X** Yes No Not Specified Material From To Amount ft. 30 bentonite 2 ft. Sacks Nearest Known Source of Contamination East Direction feet Sewer Type Well disinfected upon completion? Yes No X Pump Not Installed Date Installed 06/27/2007 Manufacturer's name **GOULDS** HP Model Number 10GS07432 0.75 Volt 230 Length of drop pipe Capacity Typ Submersible 10 g.p. Abandoned Does property have any not in use and not sealed well(s)? Yes X No Variance Was a variance granted from the MDH for this well? Yes X No Miscellaneous First Bedrock weathering residuum unc. Aquifer Mille Lacs Group Last Strat Depth to Bedrock Mille Lacs Group Located by Minnesota Geological Survey Remarks Locate Method GPS SA Off (averaged) (15 meters) UTM - NAD83, Zone 15, Meters System X 487985 Y 5141823 Unique Number Verification Site Plan Input Date 02/23/2016 Angled Drill Hole Well Contractor Rosga Well Drilling, Inc. 1708 ROSGA, T. Name of Driller Licensee Business Lic. or Reg. No. 742542 Printed on 01/30/2025 Minnesota Well Index Report

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Well Name	Townsh	nip Range	Dir Section			Well Depth		Depth Completed	Date W	Vell Completed	l
ODDEN, LA		22	W 32	CBCBI	DD	225 ft.		225 ft.	07/30/2	2007	
Elevation	1312 Elev .	. Method	LiDAR 1m DE	M (MNDNR)	Drill Method	Multiple	methods used	Drill Fluid Wat	ter	
Address						Use domes	stic			Status	Active
Well	75 CR M	N				Well Hydrofra		Yes No	X From	To	
C44'	. T f 44					Casing Type Drive Shoe?	Single Yes X		Joint	Other	
Straugrapny Geological M	Information Interial	From	To (ft.)	Color	Hardness	Casing Diame		Veight	Above/Below	Hole Diamet	er
SANDY CLA		0		BROWN	MEDIUM	6 in. To	92.5 ft.	=		6 in. To	225 ft.
CLAY & RO	CKS	8	38 I	BROWN	M.HARD						
SILTY SANI	D	38	41 I	BROWN	SOFT						
CLAY & BO	ULDERS	41	91 I	BROWN	V.HARD						
GRANITE		91	225 I	BLK/GRY	V.HARD	Open Hole		- C			
						Screen?	From	92.5 ft. Type	To 225 Make	5 ft.	
						Screen.		Type			
						Static Water					
						35 ft.	land sur	face	Measure	07/30/2007	!
						Pumping Le	vel (below l	and surface)			
						220 ft.	2 hrs.	Pumping at	3 8	g.p.m.	
						Wellhead Co	ompletion				
						Pitless adapter	manufacture			Model	
							Protection e (Environn	12 ir nental Wells and Bo	n. above grade orings ONLY)		
						Grouting Inf	formation	Well Grouted?	X Yes N	No Not S	Specified
						Material		Am	ount	From	Го
						bentonite				0 ft.	ft.
						_	eet 2	of Contamination West Direction completion?	X Yes	<u>Se</u>	ewer Type
						Pump Manufacturer		ot Installed D	ate Installed		
						Model Numb	er	HP	Vo	olt	
						Length of dro	p pipe	ft Capacity	g.p.	Тур	
						Abandoned			117.50		W v
						Variance	y nave any no	t in use and not sealed	well(s)?	Yes	X No
							ce granted fro	om the MDH for this we	ell?	Yes	X No
						Miscellaneou	us				
						First Bedrock	Mille L	acs Group	Aquifer	Mille Lacs G	roup
						Last Strat	Mille L	acs Group	Depth to Be	edrock 91	ft
Remarks						Located by		nnesota Geological S	-		
Kemarks						Locate Metho	OI.	S SA Off (averaged)			
						System Unique Numb		AD83, Zone 15, Meters On Site Plan			41165
						Angled Drill		Site Plan			2/23/2016
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						Well Contra	ctor				
							Well Drillin	g	1886	KENT	ſ, B.
						Licensee B			or Reg. No.	Name of I	Driller
					751	1406					
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Well Name Towns RAY DRAKE 46	Ship Range		bsection ABDB	Well Depth 106 ft.		Depth C	ompleted		e Well Complete	ed
Elevation 1302 Elevation	v. Method	LiDAR 1m DEM (MNI	ONR)	Drill Method	Non-sp	pecified Rota	ary	Drill Fluid	Bentonite	
Address				Use domes	stic				Status	Active
Well NA MN				Well Hydrofra	actured?	Yes	□ No	X From	To)
G:				Casing Type	_	le casing	X	Joint		
Stratigraphy Information Geological Material	ı From	To (ft.) Color	Hardness	Drive Shoe? Casing Diame	Yes	Weight		Above/Belo	ow Hole Diam	oton
CLAY/ROCKS	0	89 BROW		4 in. To	96 ft.	_	/ft.		6.7 in. To	
SAND/GRAVEL	89	106 BROW	N SOFT							
				Open Hole	From		ft.	То	ft.	
				_	Slot/Gau	Type	plastic	Mak Set		
				Static Water 28 ft.		f casing		Measure	10/11/200)9
				Pumping Le	vel (belov	w land surfa	ce)			
				60 ft.	2 hr	rs. Pumpi	ng at	30	g.p.m.	
				Wellhead Co	_					
					Protection	1		. above grade		
				Grouting In	formation	n Well	Grouted?	X Yes	No No	t Specified
				Material			Amo	ount	From	To
				cuttings well grouted	, type unl	known	4	Sacks		96 ft. 55 ft.
				Nearest Kno 50 fe Well disinfe	eet	North Direc	tion	X Yes	Septic tank/drain	n field Type
				Pump Manufacturer	's name	Not Installed SCHAE	FER	ate Installed	10/11/2009	
				Model Numb		<u>60</u> ft	_	<u>).5</u> <u>12</u> g.p.	Volt <u>230</u> Typ <u>Subm</u>	<u>iersible</u>
				Abandoned Does property	y have any	not in use and			Y	
				Variance Was a varian	ce granted	from the MDF	I for this we	11?	Yes	X No
				Miscellaneo					fer Quat. buried	d
				Last Strat Located by		+larger-brov			o Bedrock	ft
Remarks				Locate Metho		Minnesota G GPS SA Off (-			
				System	UTM -	NAD83, Zone	15, Meters	X		5141801
				Unique Numb		ition	Tax Recor	ds	Input Date	05/23/2017
				Well Contra						
				A Rupper Licensee E		с.	Lic.	1572 or Reg. No.	Name of	ERT, C f Driller
Minnesota Well Ir	dex Repor	t	774	4214					Printe	ed on 01/30/2025

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Well Name Dir Section Subsection Well Depth **Depth Completed Date Well Completed** Township Range EKLUND, HELEN 44 25 W 2 **CCCADB** 68 ft. 68 ft. 04/04/2016 1325 Drill Method Drill Fluid Bentonite Non-specified Rotary Elevation Elev. Method LiDAR 1m DEM (MNDNR) Address Use domestic Status Active Well Hydrofractured? C/W 29926 210TH ST ISLE MN 56342 X Yes [From No To Joint Casing Type Single casing **Drive Shoe?** No Yes Above/Below Stratigraphy Information Geological Material To (ft.) Color Hardness From **Casing Diameter** Weight Hole Diameter SAND 0 **BROWN MEDIUM** 16 4 in. To 60 ft. lbs./ft. in. To 68 ft. CLAY & ROCKS 16 58 **BROWN** HARD SAND & ROCKS **BROWN** 58 68 **HARD** Open Hole То ft. From ft. Screen? Type stainless Make JOHNSON X Diameter Slot/Gauze Length Set in. 15 8 ft. 60 ft. 68 ft. Static Water Level 04/04/2016 ft. land surface Measure Pumping Level (below land surface) hrs. Pumping at 20 g.p.m. Wellhead Completion Pitless adapter manufacturer **SNAPPY** Model 8PL4IU Casing Protection 12 in. above grade At-grade (Environmental Wells and Borings ONLY) Well Grouted? **Grouting Information X** Yes No Not Specified Material From To Amount ft. 58 well grouted, type unknown ft. Sacks Nearest Known Source of Contamination North Direction feet Sewer Type Well disinfected upon completion? Yes No X Pump Not Installed Date Installed 04/08/2016 Manufacturer's name **FLOWISE** HP Model Number 0.5 Volt 230 P10S05 Length of drop pipe Capacity 10 Typ Submersible g.p. Abandoned Does property have any not in use and not sealed well(s)? Yes X No Variance Was a variance granted from the MDH for this well? Yes X No Miscellaneous First Bedrock Aquifer Quat. buried Last Strat Depth to Bedrock ft sand +larger-brown Located by Minnesota Geological Survey Remarks Locate Method Digitization (Screen) - Map (1:24,000) (15 meters or UTM - NAD83, Zone 15, Meters System X 463675 Y 5129829 Unique Number Verification Address verification Input Date 07/17/2017 Angled Drill Hole Well Contractor A and M Pumps KEMPENICH, C. 2121 Licensee Business Lic. or Reg. No. Name of Driller 817759 Printed on 01/30/2025

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Update Date 07/18/2017 **Received Date** 05/24/2017

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Well Name Dir Section Subsection Well Depth **Depth Completed Date Well Completed** Township Range EKLUND, JOAN 25 W 3 CBBBCD 56 ft. 56 ft. 09/16/2016 1300 Drill Method Drill Fluid Bentonite Elevation Non-specified Rotary Elev. Method LiDAR 1m DEM (MNDNR) Address Use domestic Status Active Well Hydrofractured? C/W 21436 310TH AV ISLE MN 56342 X Yes [From No To Joint Casing Type Single casing X **Drive Shoe?** No Yes Above/Below Stratigraphy Information Geological Material To (ft.) Color Hardness From **Casing Diameter** Weight Hole Diameter CLAY & ROCKS 0 48 **BROWN** HARD 4 in. To 48 ft. lbs./ft. in. To 56 ft. SAND 48 56 **BROWN** MEDIUM Open Hole To ft. From ft. Type stainless Make JOHNSON Screen? X Diameter Slot/Gauze Length Set in. 15 8 ft. 48 ft. 56 ft. Static Water Level 09/16/2016 ft. land surface Measure Pumping Level (below land surface) hrs. Pumping at 10 g.p.m. Wellhead Completion Pitless adapter manufacturer MAASS Model J Casing Protection 12 in. above grade At-grade (Environmental Wells and Borings ONLY) **Grouting Information** Well Grouted? **X** Yes No Not Specified То Material From Amount ft. 43 well grouted, type unknown ft. 6 Sacks Nearest Known Source of Contamination South Direction feet Sewer Type Well disinfected upon completion? Yes No X Pump Not Installed Date Installed 10/12/2016 Manufacturer's name **FLOWISE** HP Model Number 0.5 Volt 230 P10S05 Length of drop pipe Capacity Typ Submersible g.p. Abandoned Does property have any not in use and not sealed well(s)? Yes X No Variance Was a variance granted from the MDH for this well? Yes X No Miscellaneous First Bedrock Aquifer Quat. buried Last Strat Depth to Bedrock ft sand-brown Located by Minnesota Geological Survey Remarks Locate Method Digitization (Screen) - Map (1:24,000) (15 meters or UTM - NAD83, Zone 15, Meters System X 461979 Y 5130403 Unique Number Verification Address verification Input Date 07/18/2017 Angled Drill Hole Well Contractor A and M Pumps KEMPENICH, C. 2121 Name of Driller Licensee Business Lic. or Reg. No. 817773 Printed on 01/30/2025 Minnesota Well Index Report

APPENDIX E

NHIS Review Letter and Conservation Planning Report



Minnesota Department of Natural Resources Division of Ecological & Water Resources 500 Lafayette Road, Box 25 St. Paul, MN 55155-4025

June 7, 2024

Daniel McInnis

Widseth Smith and Nolting and Associates, Inc.

RE: Natural Heritage Review of the proposed Northwoods Regional Trail - Phase 1A

County	Township	Range	Section
Aitkin	44N	22W	6
Aitkin	45N	22W	19, 20, 21, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33
Aitkin	45N	23W	19, 20, 22, 23, 24, 25, 27, 28, 29, 30
Aitkin	45N	24W	19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 28, 29, 30
Aitkin	45N	25W	24, 25, 26, 32, 33, 34, 35

Dear Daniel McInnis,

For all correspondence regarding the Natural Heritage Review of this project please include the project ID MCE-2024-00378 in the email subject line.

As requested, the <u>Minnesota Natural Heritage Information System</u> has been reviewed to determine if the proposed project has the potential to impact any rare species or other significant natural features. Based on the project details provided with the request, the following rare features may be impacted by the proposed project:

Ecologically Significant Areas

The Minnesota Biological Survey (MBS) has identified several Sites of Biodiversity Significance within the project boundary. Sites of Biodiversity Significance have varying levels of native biodiversity and are ranked based on the relative significance of this biodiversity at a statewide level. Factors taken into account during the ranking process include the number of rare species documented within the site, the quality of the native plant communities in the site, the size of the site, and the context of the site within the landscape. The DNR recommends avoidance of MBS Sites of Biodiversity Significance ranked *High* or *Outstanding*. Please see your MCE-generated Conservation Planning Report for a comprehensive list of MBS Sites of Biodiversity Significance.

The proposed project crosses and is adjacent to multiple native plant communities. DNR native plant community types are given a Conservation Status Rank that reflects the relative rarity and endangerment of the community type in Minnesota. Conservation Status Ranks range from S1 (critically imperiled) to S5 (secure, common, widespread, and abundant). Native plant communities with a Conservation Status Rank of S1 through S3 are considered rare in the state.

The DNR recommends avoidance of rare native plant communities. Please see your MCE-generated Conservation Planning Report for a comprehensive list of native plant communities in your proposed project area.

The DNR recommends that the project be designed to avoid impacts to these ecologically significant areas. Actions to avoid or minimize disturbance include, but are not limited to, the following recommendations:

- Minimize width of trail.
- As much as possible, operate within already-disturbed areas.
- Avoid MBS Sites and native plant communities ranked S1, S2, or S3.
- Retain a buffer between proposed activities and the MBS Site.
- If working in an MBS Site:
 - Minimize vehicular disturbance in the MBS Site (allow only vehicles/equipment necessary for construction activities).
 - Do not park equipment or stockpile supplies in the MBS Site.
 - Do not place spoil in the MBS Site or other sensitive areas.
- o If possible, conduct the work under frozen ground conditions.
- o Do not route trails through wet swales or depressions, or sensitive rock outcrop areas.
- o Bridge all stream and wetland crossings.
- Trail maintenance plans should address erodible soils, especially in areas of steep topography.
- Use signage to encourage visitors to stay on designated trails.
- Use effective erosion prevention and sediment control measures.
- Inspect and clean equipment prior to operation and follow recommendations to <u>prevent</u> the spread of invasive species.
- Revegetate disturbed soil with <u>native species suitable to the local habitat</u> as soon after construction as possible.
- Use only weed-free mulches, topsoils, and seed mixes. Of particular concern are birdsfoot trefoil (*Lotus corniculatus*) and crown vetch (*Coronilla varia*), two invasive species that are sold commercially and are problematic in prairies and disturbed open areas.

Please reference the <u>Guidelines for Managing and Restoring Natural Plant Communities along Trails and Waterways</u> for additional information.

MBS Sites of Biodiversity Significance and DNR Native Plant Communities can be viewed using the Explore page in <u>Minnesota Conservation Explorer</u> or their GIS shapefiles can be downloaded from the <u>MN Geospatial Commons</u>. Please contact the <u>NH Review Team</u> if you need assistance accessing the data. Reference the <u>MBS Site Biodiversity Significance</u> and <u>Native Plant Community</u> websites for information on interpreting the data. To receive a list of MBS Sites of Biodiversity Significance and DNR Native Plant Communities in the vicinity of your project, create a <u>Conservation Planning Report</u> using the Explore Tab in <u>Minnesota Conservation Explorer</u>.

• If the Wetland Conservation Act (WCA) is applicable to this project, please note that native plant communities with a Conservation Status Rank of S1 through S3 or wetlands within *High* or *Outstanding* MBS Sites of Biodiversity Significance may qualify as Rare Natural Communities (RNC) under WCA. Minnesota Rules, part 8420.0515, subpart 3 states that a wetland replacement plan for activities that modify a RNC must be denied if the local government unit determines the proposed activities will permanently adversely affect the RNC. If the proposed project includes a wetland replacement plan under WCA, please contact your DNR Regional Ecologist for further evaluation. Please visit WCA Program Guidance and Information for additional information, including the Rare Natural Communities Technical Guidance.

State-listed Species

• <u>Blunt-lobed grapefern</u> (*Sceptridium oneidense*), <u>goblin fern</u> (*Botrychium mormo*), and <u>narrow triangle moonwort</u> (*Botrychium angustisegmentum*), all state-listed threatened plants, have been documented in the vicinity of the proposed project. Additionally, <u>St. Lawrence grapefern</u> (*Sceptridium rugulosum*), <u>least moonwort</u> (*Botrychium simplex*), and <u>pale moonwort</u> (*Botrychium pallidum*), all state-listed plant species of special concern, have been documented in the vicinity of the proposed project.

Minnesota's Endangered Species Statute (Minnesota Statutes, section 84.0895) and associated Rules (Minnesota Rules, part 6212.1800 to 6212.2300 and 6134) prohibit the take of endangered or threatened plants or animals, including their parts or seeds, without a permit. To demonstrate avoidance, a qualified surveyor will need to determine if suitable habitat exists within the activity impact area and, if so, conduct a survey prior to any project activities. Surveys must be conducted by a qualified surveyor and follow the standards contained in the Rare Species Survey Process and Rare Plant Guidance. Visit the Natural Heritage Review page for a list of certified surveyors and more information on this process. Project planning should take into account that any botanical survey needs to be conducted during the appropriate time of the year, which may be limited. Please consult with the NH Review Team at Review.NHIS@state.mn.us if you have any questions regarding this process.

- Northern long-eared bat (Myotis septentrionalis) and little brown myotis (Myotis lucifugus), both state-listed as species of special concern, have been documented in the vicinity of the proposed project. During the winter these species hibernate in caves and mines. During the active season (approximately April-November) they roost underneath bark, in cavities, or in crevices of both live and dead trees; and in human structures such as buildings and bridges. Activities that may impact these species include, but are not limited to, wind farm operation, any disturbance to hibernacula, and destruction/degradation of habitat. Tree removal can negatively impact bats by destroying roosting habitat, especially during the pup rearing season when females are forming maternity roosting colonies and the pups are not able to fly. To minimize impacts to these species, the DNR recommends that tree removal be avoided from June 1 through August 15.
- Please visit the <u>DNR Rare Species Guide</u> for more information on the habitat use of these species and recommended measures to avoid or minimize impacts.

Federally Protected Species

• The northern long-eared bat is also federally listed as endangered. To ensure compliance with federal law, please conduct a federal regulatory review using the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service's online Information for Planning and Consultation (IPaC) tool. Please note that all projects, regardless of whether there is a federal nexus, are subject to federal take prohibitions. The IPaC review will determine if take is reasonably certain to occur and, if not, will generate an automated letter. Please see USFWS Northern Long-eared Bat for additional information.

Environmental Review and Permitting

- Please include a copy of this letter and the MCE-generated Final Project Report in any state or local license or permit application. Please note that measures to avoid or minimize disturbance to the above rare features may be included as restrictions or conditions in any required permits or licenses.
- The Environmental Assessment Worksheet should address whether the proposed project has the
 potential to adversely affect the above rare features and, if so, it should identify specific
 measures that will be taken to avoid or minimize disturbance. Sufficient information should be
 provided so the DNR can determine whether a takings permit will be needed for any of the above
 protected species.

The Natural Heritage Information System (NHIS), a collection of databases that contains information about Minnesota's rare natural features, is maintained by the Division of Ecological and Water Resources, Department of Natural Resources. The NHIS is continually updated as new information becomes available, and is the most complete source of data on Minnesota's rare or otherwise significant species, native plant communities, and other natural features. However, the NHIS is not an exhaustive inventory and thus does not represent all of the occurrences of rare features within the state. Therefore,

ecologically significant features for which we have no records may exist within the project area. If additional information becomes available regarding rare features in the vicinity of the project, further review may be necessary.

For environmental review purposes, the results of this Natural Heritage Review are valid for one year; the results are only valid for the project location and project description provided with the request. If project details change or the project has not occurred within one year, please resubmit the project for review within one year of initiating project activities.

The Natural Heritage Review does not constitute project approval by the Department of Natural Resources. Instead, it identifies issues regarding known occurrences of rare features and potential impacts to these rare features. Visit the <u>Natural Heritage Review website</u> for additional information regarding this process, survey guidance, and other related information. For information on the environmental review process or other natural resource concerns, you may contact your <u>DNR Regional Environmental Assessment Ecologist</u>.

Thank you for consulting us on this matter and for your interest in preserving Minnesota's rare natural resources.

Sincerely,

Molly Barrett

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Cc: <u>Jessica Parson</u>, Regional Environmental Assessment Ecologist, Northeast (Region 2)

Cc: Mark White, Regional Ecologist, Northeast (Region 2)

Cc: Jennie Skancke, Wetlands Program Coordinator



Conservation Planning Report: Northwoods Regional Trail

This document is intended for planning purposes only for the area of interest defined by the user. The report identifies ecologically significant areas documented within the defined area of interest plus any additional search distance indicated below. These ecologically significant areas can be viewed in the Explore Tab of the Minnesota Conservation Explorer. Please visit MN Geospatial Commons for downloadable GIS data.

This document does not meet the criteria for a Natural Heritage Review. If a Natural Heritage Review is needed, please define an Area of Interest in the Explore Tab and click on the Natural Heritage Review option.

This document does not include known occurrences of state-listed or federally listed species.

MBS Sites of Biodiversity Significance

Search distance = 330 feet

Minnesota Biological Survey (MBS) Sites of Biodiversity Significance are areas with varying levels of native biodiversity that may contain high quality native plant communities, rare plants, rare animals, and/or animal aggregations. A <u>Biodiversity Significance Rank</u> is assigned on the basis of the number of rare species, the quality of the native plant communities, size of the site, and context within the landscape. MBS Sites are ranked Outstanding, High, or Moderate. Areas ranked as Below were found to be disturbed and are retained in the layer as negative data. These areas do not meet the minimum biodiversity threshold for statewide significance but may have conservation value at the local level as habitat for native plants and animals, corridors for animal movements, buffers surrounding higher quality natural areas, or as areas with high potential for restoration of native habitat. The DNR recommends avoidance of MBS Sites of Biodiversity Significance ranked High or Outstanding.

Wetlands within MBS Sites of Outstanding or High Biodiversity Significance may be considered Rare Natural Communities under the Wetland Conservation Act. For technical guidance on Rare Natural Communities, please visit <u>WCA Program Guidance and Information</u>.

For more information please visit MBS Sites of Biodiversity Significance.

The following MBS Sites of Biodiversity Significance are within the search area:

MBS Site Name	Biodiversity Significance	Status
Lee 31	Moderate	final
Malmo 1	High	final
Malmo 23	Moderate	final
Solana Northeast	Moderate	final

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DNR Native Plant Communities

Search distance = 330 feet

A native plant community is a group of native plants that interact with each other and with their environment in ways not greatly altered by modern human activity or by introduced organisms. These groups of native plant species form recognizable units, such as oak savannas, pine forests, or marshes, that tend to repeat over space and time. Native plant communities are classified and described by considering vegetation, hydrology, landforms, soils, and natural disturbance regimes.

DNR Native Plant Community types and subtypes are given a Conservation Status Rank that reflects the relative rarity and endangerment of the community type in Minnesota. Conservation Status Ranks range from S1 (critically imperiled) to S5 (secure, common, widespread, and abundant). Native plant communities with a Conservation Status Rank of S1 through S3 are considered rare in the state. The DNR recommends avoidance of rare native plant communities.

DNR Native Plant Communities may be given a Condition Rank that reflects the degree of ecological integrity of a specific occurrence of a native plant community. The Condition Rank is based on species composition, vegetation structure, ecological processes and functions, level of human disturbance, presence of exotic species, and other factors. Condition Ranks range from A-rank (excellent ecological integrity) to D-rank (poor ecological integrity. A Condition Rank of NR means Not Ranked and a Condition Rank of MULTI mean multiple ranks are present because the record is a native plant community complex.

For more information please visit Minnesota's Native Plant Communities.

The following DNR Native Plant Communities are within the search area:

MBS Site Name	NPC Code	Native Plant Community Classification	Conservation Status Rank	Number of Communities
Lee 31	APn80a1	Black Spruce Bog, Treed Subtype	S4	1
Lee 31	APn80a2	Black Spruce Bog. Semi-Treed Subtype	S4	1
Lee 31	APn81	Northern Poor Conifer Swamp	(S4, S5)	1
Lee 31	APn90	Northern Open Bog	(S2, S4, S4S5) (S2, S4, S4S5) (S2, S4, S4S5)	1
Lee 31	FDn43	Northern Mesic Mixed Forest	(S2, S3, S5)	4
Lee 31	FPn72	Northern Rich Tamarack Swamp (Eastern Basin)	(S3)	4
Lee 31	FPn72a	Rich Tamarack Swamp (Eastcentral)	S3	2
Lee 31	FPn73	Northern Rich Alder Swamp	(S5)	4
Lee 31	MHn35	Northern Mesic Hardwood Forest	(S4)	4
Lee 31	MHn44	Northern Wet-Mesic Boreal Hardwood-Conifer Forest	(S2, S3, S3S4, S4)	5
Lee 31	MHn46	Northern Wet-Mesic Hardwood Forest	(S4)	1
Lee 31	WFn64	Northern Very Wet Ash Swamp	(S4)	1
Lee 31	WFn64a	Black Ash - Conifer Swamp (Northeastern)	S4	1
Lee 31	WMn82a	Willow - Dogwood Shrub Swamp	S5	3
Lee 31	WMn82b	Sedge Meadow	S4 or S5	2
Lee 31	WMn82b3	Sedge Meadow, Beaked Sedge Subtype	S4	3
Malmo 1	APn80a1	Black Spruce Bog, Treed Subtype	S4	1
Malmo 1	APn81	Northern Poor Conifer Swamp	(S4, S5)	1
Malmo 1	APn81a	Poor Black Spruce Swamp	S5	1
Malmo 1	APn91	Northern Poor Fen	(S3, S4, S5)	1
Malmo 1	BW_CX	Beaver Wetland Complex	(S2, S3, S4, S5)	1
Malmo 1	FPn72	Northern Rich Tamarack Swamp (Eastern Basin)	(S3)	2
Malmo 1	FPn73	Northern Rich Alder Swamp	(S5)	1

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MBS Site Name	NPC Code	Native Plant Community Classification	Conservation Status Rank	Number of Communities
Malmo 1	MHc36	Central Mesic Hardwood Forest (Eastern)	(S4)	1
Malmo 1	MHn35	Northern Mesic Hardwood Forest	(S4)	10
Malmo 1	MHn47	Northern Rich Mesic Hardwood Forest	(S3)	3
Malmo 1	OPn81	Northern Shrub Shore Fen	(S5)	1
Malmo 1	WFn64	Northern Very Wet Ash Swamp	(S4)	4
Malmo 1	WFn74	Northern Wet Alder Swamp	(S3)	1
Malmo 1	WMn82a	Willow - Dogwood Shrub Swamp	S5	4
Malmo 1	WMn82b	Sedge Meadow	S4 or S5	3
Solana Northeast	APn80	Northern Spruce Bog	(S4)	3
Solana Northeast	APn90	Northern Open Bog	(S2, S4, S4S5) (S2, S4, S4S5) (S2, S4, S4S5)	2
Solana Northeast	FDn43	Northern Mesic Mixed Forest	(S2, S3, S5)	7
Solana Northeast	FPn72	Northern Rich Tamarack Swamp (Eastern Basin)	(S3)	5
Solana Northeast	FPn72a	Rich Tamarack Swamp (Eastcentral)	S3	1
Solana Northeast	FPn73	Northern Rich Alder Swamp	(S5)	17
Solana Northeast	MHn35	Northern Mesic Hardwood Forest	(S4)	9
Solana Northeast	MHn44	Northern Wet-Mesic Boreal Hardwood-Conifer Forest	(S2, S3, S3S4, S4)	13
Solana Northeast	MHn46	Northern Wet-Mesic Hardwood Forest	(S4)	8
Solana Northeast	WFn64	Northern Very Wet Ash Swamp	(S4)	2
Solana Northeast	WFn64c	Black Ash - Alder Swamp (Northern)	S4	1
Solana Northeast	WMn82a	Willow - Dogwood Shrub Swamp	S5	13
Solana Northeast	WMn82b	Sedge Meadow	S4 or S5	7
Not Within MBS Site	APn80	Northern Spruce Bog	(S4)	2
Not Within MBS Site	APn90	Northern Open Bog	(\$2, \$4, \$4\$5) (\$2, \$4, \$4\$5) (\$2, \$4, \$4\$5)	1
Not Within MBS Site	FDc34	Central Dry-Mesic Pine-Hardwood Forest	(S2, S3)	2
Not Within MBS Site	FDn43	Northern Mesic Mixed Forest	(S2, S3, S5)	9
Not Within MBS Site	FPn72	Northern Rich Tamarack Swamp (Eastern Basin)	(S3)	2
Not Within MBS Site	FPn73	Northern Rich Alder Swamp	(S5)	6
Not Within MBS Site	MHn35	Northern Mesic Hardwood Forest	(S4)	7
Not Within MBS Site	MHn44	Northern Wet-Mesic Boreal Hardwood-Conifer Forest	(S2, S3, S3S4, S4)	7
Not Within MBS Site	WFn64	Northern Very Wet Ash Swamp	(S4)	1
Not Within MBS Site	WFn64a	Black Ash - Conifer Swamp (Northeastern)	S4	1
Not Within MBS Site	WMn82a	Willow - Dogwood Shrub Swamp	S5	1
Not Within MBS Site	WMn82b	Sedge Meadow	S4 or S5	5

Calcareous Fens

Search distance = 5 miles

A calcareous fen is a rare and distinctive peat-accumulating wetland that is legally protected in Minnesota under the Wetland Conservation Act (*Minnesota Statutes*, section 103G.223). Many of the unique characteristics of calcareous fens result from the upwelling of groundwater through calcareous substrates. Because of this dependence on groundwater hydrology, calcareous fens can be affected by nearby activities or even those several miles away. For more information regarding calcareous fens, please see the <u>Calcareous Fen Fact Sheet</u> or review the <u>List of Known Calcareous Fens</u>.

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SEARCH RESULTS: No features were found within the search area.

DNR Old Growth Stands

Search distance = 330 feet

Old-growth forests are natural forests that have developed over a long period of time, generally at least 120 years, without experiencing severe, stand-replacing disturbances such as fires, windstorms, or logging. Old-growth forests are a unique, nearly vanished piece of Minnesota's history and ecology; less than 4% of Minnesota's old-growth forests remain. The DNR recommends avoidance of all DNR Old Growth Stands. The following DNR Old Growth Stands have been documented within the search area.

SEARCH RESULTS: No features were found within the search area.

MN Prairie Conservation Plan

Search distance = 330 feet

The Minnesota Prairie Conservation Plan, a twenty-five year strategy for accelerating prairie conservation in the state, identifies Core Areas, Corridors, and Corridor Complexes as areas to focus conservation efforts. The Plan's strategies include protection, enhancement, and restoration of grassland and wetland habitat. To meet the Plan's goals, approaches within Core Areas will need to include restoration and approaches within Corridors will need to include conservation of grassland habitat which can provide stepping stones between larger Core Areas.

SEARCH RESULTS: No features were found within the search area.

Important Bird Areas

Search distance = 1 mile

Important Bird Areas, identified by Audubon Minnesota in partnership with the DNR, are part of an international conservation effort aimed at conserving globally important bird habitats. They are voluntary and non-regulatory, but the designation demonstrates the significant ecological value of the area.

The following Important Birds Areas are within the search area:

• Mille Lacs IBA

Lakes of Biological Significance

Search distance = 330 feet

<u>Lakes of Biological Significance</u> are high quality lakes as determined by the aquatic plant, fish, bird, or amphibian communities present within the lake. To be included in this layer, a lake only needs to meet the criteria for one of these four community types. The lake is assigned a biological significance of Outstanding, High, or Moderate based on the community with the highest quality.

SEARCH RESULTS: No features were found within the search area.

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USFWS Habitat Conservation Plans

A <u>Habitat Conservation Plan (HCP)</u> is a mechanism for compliance with the federal Endangered Species Act for a given set of activities and protected species. An HCP is required by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS) as part of an application for an <u>incidental take permit (ITP)</u>. The ITP allows the permit holder to proceed with activities covered in the HCP that could result in the unintentional take of federally listed species.

Lakes States Forest Management Bat Habitat Conservation Plan (Bat HCP): (search distance = 0; within area of interest only) This HCP was created to provide flexibility to the Minnesota Department of Natural Resources (DNR) to manage forests while addressing federal Endangered Species Act (ESA) regulations related to federally threatened and endangered bat species. The Bat HCP covers three bat species within Minnesota: northern long-eared bat, little brown bat, and tricolored bat. This report is intended to help non-federal, non-DNR landowners evaluate their potential eligibility for the Landowner Enrollment Program of the Bat HCP (For DNR-administered land, DNR staff should refer to the Bat HCP Implementation Policy).

<u>Landowner Enrollment Program</u> – DNR's incidental take permit may be extended through the Landowner Enrollment Program (LEP) to eligible non-federal landowners who conduct forest management activities. Landowners may be eligible to enroll in the LEP if they are a county land administrator, own more than 10,000 acres, or own land that overlaps a Bat HCP feature. The results below indicate if the defined area of interest overlaps a Bat HCP feature. For more information on how to enroll in the LEP, please visit the <u>Landowner Enrollment Program (LEP)</u>.

SEARCH RESULTS: No Bat HCP features were found within the area of interest. Landowners are only eligible to apply for the Landowner Enrollment Program if they are a county land administrator or they own more than 10,000 acres.

USFWS Regulatory Layers

To ensure compliance with federal law, conduct a federal regulatory review using the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service's (USFWS) online <u>Information for Planning and Consultation (IPaC) tool</u>. This report is not a substitution for a Section 7 review.

For informational purposes only, this tool currently checks the following USFWS Regulatory Layers:

Rusty Patched Bumblebee High Potential Zones: (search distance = 0; within area of interest only) The rusty patched bumble bee (Bombus affinis), federally listed as endangered, is likely to be present in suitable habitat within the high potential zones. From April through October this species uses underground nests in upland grasslands, shrublands, and forest edges, and forages where nectar and pollen are available. From October through April the species overwinters under tree litter in upland forests and woodlands. The rusty patched bumble bee may be impacted by a variety of land management activities including, but not limited to, prescribed fire, tree-removal, haying, grazing, herbicide use, pesticide use, land-clearing, soil disturbance or compaction, or use of non-native bees. The <u>USFWS RPBB guidance</u> provides guidance on avoiding impacts to rusty patched bumble bee and a key for determining if actions are likely to affect the species; the determination key can be found in the appendix. Please visit the <u>USFWS Rusty Patched Bumble Bee Map</u> for the most current locations of High Potential Zones.

SEARCH RESULTS: No features were found within the search area.

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Northwoods Regional Trail Conservation Planning Map



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APPENDIX F

IPaC Report



United States Department of the Interior



FISH AND WILDLIFE SERVICE

Minnesota-Wisconsin Ecological Services Field Office 3815 American Blvd East Bloomington, MN 55425-1659 Phone: (952) 858-0793

In Reply Refer To: 03/05/2025 19:51:46 UTC

Project code: 2025-0064578

Project Name: Aitkin County ATV Trail

Subject: Technical Assistance letter for 'Aitkin County ATV Trail' for specified threatened and

endangered species that may occur in your proposed project location consistent with the Minnesota-Wisconsin Endangered Species Determination Key (Minnesota-

Wisconsin DKev).

Dear Ella Kohls:

The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Service) received on **March 05, 2025** your effect determination(s) for the 'Aitkin County ATV Trail' (Action) using the Minnesota-Wisconsin DKey within the Information for Planning and Consultation (IPaC) system. You have submitted this key to satisfy requirements under Section 7(a)(2). The Service developed this system in accordance of with the Endangered Species Act of 1973 (ESA) (87 Stat. 884, as amended; 16 U.S.C 1531 et seq.).

Based on your answers and the assistance of the Service's Minnesota-Wisconsin DKey, you made the following effect determination(s) for the proposed Action:

Species	Listing Status	Determination
Canada Lynx (<i>Lynx canadensis</i>)	Threatened	NLAA
Gray Wolf (Canis lupus)	Threatened	NLAA
Monarch Butterfly (Danaus plexippus)	Proposed	No effect
	Threatened	
Whooping Crane (Grus americana)	Experimental	No effect
	Population, Non-	
	Essential	

Determination Information

Thank you for informing the Service of your "NLAA" determination(s). No further coordination is necessary for the species you determined may be affected, but not likely to be adversely affected, by the Action.

Additional Information

Sufficient project details: Please provide sufficient project details on your project homepage in IPaC (Define Project, Project Description) to support your conclusions. Failure to disclose important aspects of your project that would influence the outcome of your effects determinations may negate your determinations and invalidate this letter. If you have site-specific information that leads you to believe a different determination is more appropriate for your project than what the Dkey concludes, you can and should proceed based on the best available information.

Future project changes: The Service recommends that you contact the Minnesota-Wisconsin Ecological Services Field Office or re-evaluate the project in IPaC if: 1) the scope or location of the proposed Action is changed; 2) new information reveals that the action may affect listed species or designated critical habitat in a manner or to an extent not previously considered; 3) the Action is modified in a manner that causes effects to listed species or designated critical habitat; or 4) a new species is listed or critical habitat designated. If any of the above conditions occurs, additional consultation with the Service should take place before project changes are final or resources committed.

For non-Federal representatives: Please note that when a project requires consultation under section 7 of the Act, the Service must consult directly with the Federal action agency unless that agency formally designates a non-Federal representative (50 CFR 402.08). Non-Federal representatives may prepare analyses or conduct informal consultations; however, the ultimate responsibility for section 7 compliance under the Act remains with the Federal agency. Please include the Federal action agency in additional correspondence regarding this project.

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Gray Wolf: Please notify the Service if there is observed gray wolf activity during project implementation that could indicate a den or rendezvous site in close proximity (e.g., multiple wolves observed).

Bald and Golden Eagles: Bald eagles, golden eagles, and their nests are protected under the Bald and Golden Eagle Protection Act (54 Stat. 250, as amended, 16 U.S.C. 668a-d) (Eagle Act). The Eagle Act prohibits, except when authorized by an Eagle Act permit, the "taking" of bald and golden eagles and defines "take" as "pursue, shoot, shoot at, poison, wound, kill, capture, trap, collect, molest or disturb." The Eagle Act's implementing regulations define disturb as "... to agitate or bother a bald or golden eagle to a degree that causes, or is likely to cause, based on the best scientific information available, (1) injury to an eagle, (2) a decrease in its productivity, by substantially interfering with normal breeding, feeding, or sheltering behavior, or (3) nest abandonment, by substantially interfering with normal breeding, feeding, or sheltering behavior."

The following species and/or critical habitats may also occur in your project area and **are not** covered by this conclusion:

- Northern Long-eared Bat Myotis septentrionalis Endangered
- Suckley's Cuckoo Bumble Bee Bombus suckleyi Proposed Endangered

<u>Coordination with the Service is not complete if additional coordination is advised above for any species.</u>

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The approximate location of the project can be viewed in Google Maps: https://www.google.com/maps/@46.3338715,-93.48326673955174,14z



QUALIFICATION INTERVIEW

1. This determination key is intended to assist the user in evaluating the effects of their actions on Federally listed species in Minnesota and Wisconsin. It does not cover other prohibited activities under the Endangered Species Act (e.g., for wildlife: import/export, Interstate or foreign commerce, possession of illegally taken wildlife, etc.; for plants: import/export, reduce to possession, malicious destruction on Federal lands, commercial sale, etc.) or other statutes. Additionally, this key DOES NOT cover wind development, purposeful take (e.g., for research or surveys), communication towers that have guy wires or are over 450 feet in height, aerial or other large-scale application of any chemical (such as insecticide or herbicide), and approval of long-term permits or plans (e.g., FERC licenses, HCP's).

Click **YES** to acknowledge that you must consider other prohibitions of the ESA or other statutes outside of this determination key.

Yes

2. Is the action being funded, authorized, or carried out by a Federal agency? *No*

3. Are you the Federal agency or designated non-federal representative?

No

4. Does the action involve the installation or operation of wind turbines?

No

5. Does the action involve purposeful take of a listed animal?

Νo

6. Does the action involve a new communications tower?

No

7. Does the activity involve aerial or other large-scale application of ANY chemical, including pesticides (insecticide, herbicide, fungicide, rodenticide, etc)?

No

8. Will your action permanently affect local hydrology?

No

9. Will your action temporarily affect local hydrology?

Yes

10. Will your project have any direct impacts to a stream or river (e.g., Horizontal Directional Drilling (HDD), hydrostatic testing, stream/road crossings, new stormwater outfall discharge, dams, other in-stream work, etc.)?

Yes

11. Does your project have the potential to impact the riparian zone or indirectly impact a stream/river (e.g., cut and fill; horizontal directional drilling; construction; vegetation removal; pesticide or fertilizer application; discharge; runoff of sediment or pollutants; increase in erosion, etc.)?

Note: Consider all potential effects of the action, including those that may happen later in time and outside and downstream of the immediate area involved in the action.

Endangered Species Act regulation defines "effects of the action" to include all consequences to listed species or critical habitat that are caused by the proposed action, including the consequences of other activities that are caused by the proposed action. A consequence is caused by the proposed action if it would not occur but for the proposed action and it is reasonably certain to occur. Effects of the action may occur later in time and may include consequences occurring outside the immediate area involved in the action. (50 CFR 402.02).

Yes

12. Will your action disturb the ground or existing vegetation?

Note: This includes any off-road vehicle access, soil compaction (enough to collapse a rodent burrow), digging, seismic survey, directional drilling, heavy equipment, grading, trenching, placement of fill, pesticide application (herbicide, fungicide), vegetation management (including removal or maintenance using equipment or prescribed fire), cultivation, development, etc.

Yes

13. Will your action include spraying insecticides?

No

14. Does your action area occur entirely within an already developed area?

Note: Already developed areas are already paved, covered by existing structures, manicured lawns, industrial sites, or cultivated cropland, AND do not contain trees that could be roosting habitat. Be aware that listed species may occur in areas with natural, or semi-natural, vegetation immediately adjacent to existing utilities (e.g. roadways, railways) or within utility rights-of-way such as overhead transmission line corridors, and can utilize suitable trees, bridges, or culverts for roosting even in urban dominated landscapes (so these are not considered "already developed areas" for the purposes of this question). If unsure, select NO..

No

15. Is there any potential for this action to harm Canada lynx directly (e.g., mammal trapping, poison bait, broadcasting disease control agents for wild animals, capturing animals for research projects, or regular human activity that may exclude lynx from forested habitat including blasting or explosives)?

No

16. Is your action associated with the U.S. Forest Service?

No

17. Is there any potential for this action to harm Canada lynx indirectly (e.g., increased traffic volume and speed that may result in vehicle strikes, regular human activity that may disturb or exclude lynx from forested habitat, blasting or explosives)?

No

18. Will the action result in changes to Canada lynx or snowshoe hare habitat quality, quantity, or availability that is greater than 10 acres?

E.g., thinning and/or other timber management and logging practices; residential and commercial development; road, railroad and utility corridors development; mining activities; prescribed fire; trail development; winter activities that compact snow such as winter road use, snowmobiling, cross country skiing, and dog sledding.

No

19. Is there any potential for the action to harm wolves directly (e.g., mammal trapping, poison bait), or indirectly (e.g., increasing vehicle use that may result in vehicle strikes, exposure to potential human persecution)?

No

20. [Hidden Semantic] Does the action area intersect the Threatened gray wolf AOI? Automatically answered

Yes

21. [Hidden Semantic] Does the action area intersect the monarch butterfly species list area? **Automatically answered** *Yes*

22. Under the ESA, monarchs remain warranted but precluded by listing actions of higher priority. The monarch is a candidate for listing at this time. The Endangered Species Act does not establish protections or consultation requirements for candidate species. Some Federal and State agencies may have policy requirements to consider candidate species in planning. We encourage implementing measures that will remove or reduce threats to these species and possibly make listing unnecessary.

If your project will have no effect on monarch butterflies (for example, if your project won't affect their habitat or individuals), then you can make a "no effect" determination for this project.

Are you making a "no effect" determination for monarch? *Yes*

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Project code: 2025-0064578

Project Name: Aitkin County ATV Trail

Federal Nexus: no

Federal Action Agency (if applicable):

Subject: Technical assistance for 'Aitkin County ATV Trail'

Dear Ella Kohls:

This letter records your determination using the Information for Planning and Consultation (IPaC) system provided to the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Service) on March 05, 2025, for 'Aitkin County ATV Trail' (here forward, Project). This project has been assigned Project Code 2025-0064578 and all future correspondence should clearly reference this number. **Please carefully review this letter. Your Endangered Species Act (Act) requirements may not bbe complete.**

Ensuring Accurate Determinations When Using IPaC

The Service developed the IPaC system and associated species' determination keys in accordance with the Endangered Species Act of 1973 (ESA; 87 Stat. 884, as amended; 16 U.S.C. 1531 et seq.) and based on a standing analysis. All information submitted by the Project proponent into IPaC must accurately represent the full scope and details of the Project.

Failure to accurately represent or implement the Project as detailed in IPaC or the Northern Long-eared Bat and Tricolored Bat Range-wide Determination Key (Dkey), invalidates this letter. Answers to certain questions in the DKey commit the project proponent to implementation of conservation measures that must be followed for the ESA determination to remain valid. Note that conservation measures for northern long-eared bat and tricolored bat may differ. If both bat species are present in the action area and the key suggests more conservative measures for one of the species for your project, the Project may need to apply the most conservative measures in order to avoid adverse effects. If unsure which conservation measures should be applied, please contact the appropriate Ecological Services Field Office

Determination for the Northern Long-Eared Bat and Tricolored Bat

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Based upon your IPaC submission and a standing analysis completed by the Service, your project has reached the following effect determination(s):

Species Listing Status Determination

Northern Long-eared Bat (*Myotis septentrionalis*) Endangered **NLAA**

Other Species and Critical Habitat that May be Present in the Action Area

The IPaC-assisted determination key for the northern long-eared bat and tricolored bat does not apply to the following ESA-protected species and/or critical habitat that also may occur in your Action area:

- Canada Lynx *Lynx canadensis* Threatened
- Gray Wolf Canis lupus Threatened
- Monarch Butterfly Danaus plexippus Proposed Threatened
- Suckley's Cuckoo Bumble Bee Bombus suckleyi Proposed Endangered
- Whooping Crane *Grus americana* Experimental Population, Non-Essential

You may coordinate with our Office to determine whether the Action may cause prohibited take of the animal species and/or critical habitat listed above. Note that if a new species is listed that may be affected by the identified action before it is complete, additional review is recommended to ensure compliance with the Endangered Species Act.

Next Steps

Coordination with the Service is complete. This letter serves as technical assistance. All conservation measures should be implemented as proposed. Thank you for considering federally listed species during your project planning.

If no changes occur with the Project or there are no updates on listed species, no further consultation/coordination for this project is required for the northern long-eared bat. However, the Service recommends that project proponents re-evaluate the Project in IPaC if: 1) the scope, timing, duration, or location of the Project changes (includes any project changes or amendments); 2) new information reveals the Project may impact (positively or negatively) federally listed species or designated critical habitat; or 3) a new species is listed, or critical habitat designated. If any of the above conditions occurs, additional coordination with the Service should take place before project implements any changes which are final or commits additional resources.

If you have any questions regarding this letter or need further assistance, please contact the Minnesota-Wisconsin Ecological Services Field Office and reference Project Code 2025-0064578 associated with this Project.

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DETERMINATION KEY RESULT

Based on the answers provided, the proposed Action is consistent with a determination of "may affect, but not likely to adversely affect" for a least one species covered by this determination key.

QUALIFICATION INTERVIEW

1. Does the proposed project include, or is it reasonably certain to cause, intentional take of listed bats or any other listed species?

Note: Intentional take is defined as take that is the intended result of a project. Intentional take could refer to research, direct species management, surveys, and/or studies that include intentional handling/encountering, harassment, collection, or capturing of any individual of a federally listed threatened, endangered or proposed species?

No

2. Is the action area wholly within Zone 2 of the year-round active area for northern long-eared bat and/or tricolored bat?

Automatically answered

No

3. Does the action area intersect Zone 1 of the year-round active area for northern long-eared bat and/or tricolored bat?

Automatically answered

No

4. Does any component of the action involve leasing, construction or operation of wind turbines? Answer 'yes' if the activities considered are conducted with the intention of gathering survey information to inform the leasing, construction, or operation of wind turbines.

Note: For federal actions, answer 'yes' if the construction or operation of wind power facilities is either (1) part of the federal action or (2) would not occur but for a federal agency action (federal permit, funding, etc.).

No

5. Is the proposed action authorized, permitted, licensed, funded, or being carried out by a Federal agency in whole or in part?

No

6. [Semantic] Is the action area located within 0.5 miles of a known bat hibernaculum?

Note: The map queried for this question contains proprietary information and cannot be displayed. If you need additional information, please contact your State wildlife agency.

Automatically answered

No

7. Does the action area contain any winter roosts or caves (or associated sinkholes, fissures, or other karst features), mines, rocky outcroppings, or tunnels that could provide habitat for hibernating bats?

No

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8. Does the action area contain (1) talus or (2) anthropogenic or naturally formed rock shelters or crevices in rocky outcrops, rock faces or cliffs?

No

9. Will the action cause effects to a bridge?

Note: Covered bridges should be considered as bridges in this question.

No

10. Will the action result in effects to a culvert or tunnel at any time of year?

No

11. Are trees present within 1000 feet of the action area?

Note: If there are trees within the action area that are of a sufficient size to be potential roosts for bats answer "Yes". If unsure, additional information defining suitable summer habitat for the northern long-eared bat and tricolored bat can be found in Appendix A of the USFWS' Range-wide Indiana Bat and Northern long-eared bat Survey Guidelines at: https://www.fws.gov/media/range-wide-indiana-bat-and-northern-long-eared-bat-survey-guidelines.

Yes

12. Does the action include the intentional exclusion of bats from a building or structure?

Note: Exclusion is conducted to deny bats' entry or reentry into a building. To be effective and to avoid harming bats, it should be done according to established standards. If your action includes bat exclusion and you are unsure whether northern long-eared bats or tricolored bats are present, answer "Yes." Answer "No" if there are no signs of bat use in the building/structure. If unsure, contact your local Ecological Services Field Office to help assess whether northern long-eared bats or tricolored bats may be present. Contact a Nuisance Wildlife Control Operator (NWCO) for help in how to exclude bats from a structure safely without causing harm to the bats (to find a NWCO certified in bat standards, search the Internet using the search term "National Wildlife Control Operators Association bats"). Also see the White-Nose Syndrome Response Team's guide for bat control in structures.

No

13. Does the action involve removal, modification, or maintenance of a human-made structure (barn, house, or other building) **known or suspected to contain roosting bats?**No

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14. Will the action cause construction of one or more new roads open to the public?

For federal actions, answer 'yes' when the construction or operation of these facilities is either (1) part of the federal action or (2) would not occur but for an action taken by a federal agency (federal permit, funding, etc.).

Yes

15. Will any new road go through any area of contiguous forest that is greater than or equal to 10 acres in total extent?

Note: "Contiguous forest" of 10 acres or more may includes areas where multiple forest patches are separated by less than 1,000 feet of non-forest if the forested patches, added together, comprise at least 10 acres.

Yes

16. For every 1,000 feet of new road that crosses between contiguous forest patches, will there be at least one place where bats could cross the road corridor by flying less than 33 feet (10 meters) between trees whose tops are at least 66 feet (20 meters) higher than the road surface?

Yes

17. Will the proposed Action involve the creation of a new water-borne contaminant source (e.g., leachate pond, pits containing chemicals that are not NSF/ANSI 60 compliant)?

Note: For information regarding NSF/ANSI 60 please visit https://www.nsf.org/knowledge-library/nsf-ansi-standard-60-drinking-water-treatment-chemicals-health-effects

No

18. Will the proposed action involve the creation of a new point source discharge from a facility other than a water treatment plant or storm water system?

No

19. Will the action include drilling or blasting?

No

No

- 20. Will the action involve military training (e.g., smoke operations, obscurant operations, exploding munitions, artillery fire, range use, helicopter or fixed wing aircraft use)?

 No
- 21. Will the proposed action involve the use of herbicides or other pesticides other than herbicides (e.g., fungicides, insecticides, or rodenticides)?

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22. Will the action include or cause activities that are reasonably certain to cause chronic or intense nighttime noise (above current levels of ambient noise in the area) in suitable summer habitat for the northern long-eared bat or tricolored bat during the active season?

Chronic noise is noise that is continuous or occurs repeatedly again and again for a long time. Sources of chronic or intense noise that could cause adverse effects to bats may include, but are not limited to: road traffic; trains; aircraft; industrial activities; gas compressor stations; loud music; crowds; oil and gas extraction; construction; and mining.

Note: Additional information defining suitable summer habitat for the northern long-eared bat and tricolored bat can be found in Appendix A of the USFWS' Range-wide Indiana Bat and Northern long-eared bat Survey Guidelines at: https://www.fws.gov/media/range-wide-indiana-bat-and-northern-long-eared-bat-survey-guidelines.

No

23. Does the action include, or is it reasonably certain to cause, the use of permanent or temporary artificial lighting within 1000 feet of suitable northern long-eared bat or tricolored bat roosting habitat?

Note: Additional information defining suitable summer habitat for the northern long-eared bat and tricolored bat can be found in Appendix A of the USFWS' Range-wide Indiana Bat and Northern long-eared bat Survey Guidelines at: https://www.fws.gov/media/range-wide-indiana-bat-and-northern-long-eared-bat-survey-guidelines.

No

24. Will the action include tree cutting or other means of knocking down or bringing down trees, tree topping, or tree trimming?

Yes

25. Will the proposed action occur exclusively in an already established and currently maintained utility right-of-way?

No

26. Does the action include emergency cutting or trimming of hazard trees in order to remove an imminent threat to human safety or property? See hazard tree note at the bottom of the key for text that will be added to response letters

Note: A "hazard tree" is a tree that is an immediate threat to lives, public health and safety, or improved property. No

27. Does the project intersect with the 0-9.9% forest density category?

Automatically answered

No

28. Does the project intersect with the 10.0- 19.9% forest density category map?

Automatically answered

No

29. Does the project intersect with the 20.0- 29.9% forest density category map?

Automatically answered

Yes

30. Does the project intersect with the 30.0- 100% forest density category map?

Automatically answered

Yes

31. Will the action cause trees to be cut, knocked down, or otherwise brought down across an area greater than 40 acres in total extent?

No

32. Will the proposed action result in the use of prescribed fire?

Note: If the prescribed fire action includes other activities than application of fire (e.g., tree cutting, fire line preparation) please consider impacts from those activities within the previous representative questions in the key. This set of questions only considers impacts from flame and smoke.

No

33. Does the action area intersect the northern long-eared bat species list area?

Automatically answered

Yes

34. [Semantic] Is the action area located within 0.25 miles of a culvert that is known to be occupied by northern long-eared or tricolored bats?

Automatically answered

No

35. [Semantic] Is the action area located within 150 feet of a documented northern long-eared bat roost site?

Note: The map queried for this question contains proprietary information and cannot be displayed. If you need additional information, please contact your State wildlife agency.

Automatically answered

No

36. Is suitable summer habitat for the northern long-eared bat present within 1000 feet of project activities?

If unsure, answer "Yes."

Note: Additional information defining suitable summer habitat for the northern long-eared bat and tricolored bat can be found in Appendix A of the USFWS' Range-wide Indiana Bat and Northern long-eared bat Survey Guidelines at: https://www.fws.gov/media/range-wide-indiana-bat-and-northern-long-eared-bat-survey-guidelines.

Yes

37. Are any of the trees proposed for cutting or other means of knocking down, bringing down, topping, or trimming suitable for northern long-eared bat roosting (i.e., live trees and/or snags ≥3 inches dbh that have exfoliating bark, cracks, crevices, and/or cavities)?

Note: Additional information defining suitable summer habitat for the northern long-eared bat and tricolored bat can be found in Appendix A of the USFWS' Range-wide Indiana Bat and Northern long-eared bat Survey Guidelines at: https://www.fws.gov/media/range-wide-indiana-bat-and-northern-long-eared-bat-survey-guidelines.

Yes

38. Will any tree cutting/trimming or other knocking or bringing down of trees occur during the **Summer Occupancy season** for northern long-eared bats in the action area?

Note: Bat activity periods for your state can be found in Appendix L of the Service's Range-wide Indiana Bat and Northern long-eared Bat Survey <u>Guidelines</u>.

No

39. Do you have any documents that you want to include with this submission? *No*

PROJECT QUESTIONNAIRE

Enter the extent of the action area (in acres) from which trees will be removed - round up to the nearest tenth of an acre. For this question, include the entire area where tree removal will take place, even if some live or dead trees will be left standing.

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In Reply Refer To: 03/05/2025 19:48:55 UTC

Project Code: 2025-0064578

Project Name: Aitkin County ATV Trail

Subject: List of threatened and endangered species that may occur in your proposed project

location or may be affected by your proposed project

To Whom It May Concern:

This response has been generated by the Information, Planning, and Conservation (IPaC) system to provide information on natural resources that could be affected by your project. The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Service) provides this response under the authority of the Endangered Species Act of 1973 (16 U.S.C. 1531-1543), the Bald and Golden Eagle Protection Act (16 U.S.C. 668-668d), the Migratory Bird Treaty Act (16 U.S.C. 703-712), and the Fish and Wildlife Coordination Act (16 U.S.C. 661 *et seq.*).

Threatened and Endangered Species

The enclosed species list identifies threatened, endangered, proposed and candidate species, as well as proposed and final designated critical habitat, that may occur within the boundary of your proposed project and may be affected by your proposed project. The species list fulfills the requirement for obtaining a Technical Assistance Letter from the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service under section 7(c) of the Endangered Species Act (Act) of 1973, as amended (16 U.S.C. 1531 *et seg.*).

New information based on updated surveys, changes in the abundance and distribution of species, changed habitat conditions, or other factors could change this list. Note that under 50 CFR 402.12(e) of the regulations implementing section 7 of the Act, the accuracy of this species list should be verified after 90 days. The Service recommends that verification be completed by visiting the IPaC website at regular intervals during project planning and implementation for updates to species lists and information. An updated list may be requested through the IPaC system by completing the same process used to receive the enclosed list.

Consultation Technical Assistance

Please refer to refer to our <u>Section 7 website</u> for guidance and technical assistance, including <u>step-by-step instructions</u> for making effects determinations for each species that might be present and for specific guidance on the following types of projects: projects in developed areas, HUD, CDBG, EDA, USDA Rural Development projects, pipelines, buried utilities, telecommunications, and requests for a Conditional Letter of Map Revision (CLOMR) from FEMA.

We recommend running the project (if it qualifies) through our Minnesota-Wisconsin Federal Endangered Species Determination Key (Minnesota-Wisconsin ("D-key")). A demonstration video showing how-to access and use the determination key is available. Please note that the Minnesota-Wisconsin D-key is the third option of 3 available d-keys. D-keys are tools to help Federal agencies and other project proponents determine if their proposed action has the potential to adversely affect federally listed species and designated critical habitat. The Minnesota-Wisconsin D-key includes a structured set of questions that assists a project proponent in determining whether a proposed project qualifies for a certain predetermined consultation outcome for all federally listed species found in Minnesota and Wisconsin (except for the northern long-eared bat- see below), which includes determinations of "no effect" or "may affect, not likely to adversely affect." In each case, the Service has compiled and analyzed the best available information on the species' biology and the impacts of certain activities to support these determinations.

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If your completed d-key output letter shows a "No Effect" (NE) determination for all listed species, print your IPaC output letter for your files to document your compliance with the Endangered Species Act.

For Federal projects with a "Not Likely to Adversely Affect" (NLAA) determination, our concurrence becomes valid if you do not hear otherwise from us after a 30-day review period, as indicated in your letter.

If your d-key output letter indicates additional coordination with the Minnesota-Wisconsin Ecological Services Field Office is necessary (i.e., you get a "May Affect" determination), you will be provided additional guidance on contacting the Service to continue ESA coordination outside of the key; ESA compliance cannot be concluded using the key for "May Affect" determinations unless otherwise indicated in your output letter.

Note: Once you obtain your official species list, you are not required to continue in IPaC with d-keys, although in most cases these tools should expedite your review. If you choose to make an effects determination on your own, you may do so. If the project is a Federal Action, you may want to review our section 7 step-by-step instructions before making your determinations.

Using the IPaC Official Species List to Make No Effect and May Affect Determinations for Listed Species

- If IPaC returns a result of "There are no listed species found within the vicinity of the project," then
 project proponents can conclude the proposed activities will have **no effect** on any federally listed
 species under Service jurisdiction. Concurrence from the Service is not required for **no**effect determinations. No further consultation or coordination is required. Attach this letter to the dated
 IPaC species list report for your records.
- 2. If IPaC returns one or more federally listed, proposed, or candidate species as potentially present in the action area of the proposed project other than bats (see below) then project proponents must determine if proposed activities will have **no effect** on or **may affect** those species. For assistance in determining if suitable habitat for listed, candidate, or proposed species occurs within your project area or if species may be affected by project activities, you can obtain <u>Life History Information for Listed and Candidate Species</u> on our office website. If no impacts will occur to a species on the IPaC species list (e.g., there is no habitat present in the project area), the appropriate determination is **no effect**. No further consultation or coordination is required. Attach this letter to the dated IPaC species list report for your records.

3. Should you determine that project activities **may affect** any federally listed, please contact our office for further coordination. Letters with requests for consultation or correspondence about your project should include the Consultation Tracking Number in the header. <u>Electronic submission is preferred</u>.

Northern Long-Eared Bats

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Northern long-eared bats occur throughout Minnesota and Wisconsin and the information below may help in determining if your project may affect these species.

Suitable summer habitat for northern long-eared bats consists of a wide variety of forested/wooded habitats where they roost, forage, and travel and may also include some adjacent and interspersed non-forested habitats such as emergent wetlands and adjacent edges of agricultural fields, old fields and pastures. This includes forests and woodlots containing potential roosts (i.e., live trees and/or snags ≥3 inches dbh for northern long-eared bat that have exfoliating bark, cracks, crevices, and/or hollows), as well as linear features such as fencerows, riparian forests, and other wooded corridors. These wooded areas may be dense or loose aggregates of trees with variable amounts of canopy closure. Individual trees may be considered suitable habitat when they exhibit the characteristics of a potential roost tree and are located within 1,000 feet (305 meters) of forested/wooded habitat. Northern long-eared bats have also been observed roosting in human-made structures, such as buildings, barns, bridges, and bat houses; therefore, these structures should also be considered potential summer habitat and evaluated for use by bats. If your project will impact caves or mines or will involve clearing forest or woodland habitat containing suitable roosting habitat, northern long-eared bats could be affected. For bat activity dates, please review Appendix L in the Range-wide Indiana Bat and Northern Long-Eared Bat Survey Guidelines.

Examples of unsuitable habitat include:

- Individual trees that are greater than 1,000 feet from forested or wooded areas,
- Trees found in highly developed urban areas (e.g., street trees, downtown areas),
- A pure stand of less than 3-inch dbh trees that are not mixed with larger trees, and
- A monoculture stand of shrubby vegetation with no potential roost trees.

If IPaC returns a result that northern long-eared bats are potentially present in the action area of the proposed project, project proponents can conclude the proposed activities **may affect** this species **IF** one or more of the following activities are proposed:

- Clearing or disturbing suitable roosting habitat, as defined above, at any time of year,
- Any activity in or near the entrance to a cave or mine,
- Mining, deep excavation, or underground work within 0.25 miles of a cave or mine,
- Construction of one or more wind turbines, or
- Demolition or reconstruction of human-made structures that are known to be used by bats based on observations of roosting bats, bats emerging at dusk, or guano deposits or stains.

If none of the above activities are proposed, project proponents can conclude the proposed activities will have **no effect** on the northern long-eared bat. Concurrence from the Service is not required for **No Effect** determinations. No further consultation or coordination is required. Attach this letter to the dated IPaC

species list report for your records.

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If any of the above activities are proposed, and the northern long-eared bat appears on the user's species list, the federal project user will be directed to either the northern long-eared bat and tricolored bat range-wide D-key or the Federal Highways Administration, Federal Railways Administration, and Federal Transit Administration Indiana bat/Northern long-eared bat D-key, depending on the type of project and federal agency involvement. Similar to the Minnesota-Wisconsin D-key, these d-keys helps to determine if prohibited take might occur and, if not, will generate an automated verification letter. Additional information about available tools can be found on the Service's northern long-eared bat website.

Whooping Crane

Whooping crane is designated as a non-essential experimental population in Wisconsin and consultation under Section 7(a)(2) of the Endangered Species Act is only required if project activities will occur within a National Wildlife Refuge or National Park. If project activities are proposed on lands outside of a National Wildlife Refuge or National Park, then you are not required to consult. For additional information on this designation and consultation requirements, please review "Establishment of a Nonessential Experimental Population of Whooping Cranes in the Eastern United States."

Other Trust Resources and Activities

Bald and Golden Eagles - Although the bald eagle has been removed from the endangered species list, this species and the golden eagle are protected by the Bald and Golden Eagle Act and the Migratory Bird Treaty Act. It is the responsibility of the project proponent to survey the area for any migratory bird nests. If there is an eagle nest on-site while work is on-going, eagles may be disturbed. We recommend avoiding and minimizing disturbance to eagles whenever practicable. If you cannot avoid eagle disturbance, you may seek a permit. A nest take permit is always required for removal, relocation, or obstruction of an eagle nest. For communication and wind energy projects, please refer to additional guidelines below.

Migratory Birds - The Migratory Bird Treaty Act (MBTA) prohibits the taking, killing, possession, transportation, and importation of migratory birds, their eggs, parts, and nests, except when specifically authorized by the Service. The Service has the responsibility under the MBTA to proactively prevent the mortality of migratory birds whenever possible and we encourage implementation of recommendations that minimize potential impacts to migratory birds. Such measures include clearing forested habitat outside the nesting season (generally March 1 to August 31) or conducting nest surveys prior to clearing to avoid injury to eggs or nestlings.

Communication Towers - Construction of new communications towers (including radio, television, cellular, and microwave) creates a potentially significant impact on migratory birds, especially some 350 species of night-migrating birds. However, the Service has developed <u>voluntary guidelines for minimizing impacts</u>.

Transmission Lines - Migratory birds, especially large species with long wingspans, heavy bodies, and poor maneuverability can also collide with power lines. In addition, mortality can occur when birds, particularly hawks, eagles, kites, falcons, and owls, attempt to perch on uninsulated or unguarded power poles. To minimize these risks, please refer to guidelines developed by the Avian Power Line Interaction Committee and the Service. Implementation of these measures is especially important along sections of lines adjacent to wetlands or other areas that support large numbers of raptors and migratory birds.

Wind Energy - To minimize impacts to migratory birds and bats, wind energy projects should follow the Service's <u>Wind Energy Guidelines</u>. In addition, please refer to the Service's <u>Eagle Conservation Plan Guidance</u>, which provides guidance for conserving bald and golden eagles in the course of siting, constructing, and operating wind energy facilities.

State Department of Natural Resources Coordination

While it is not required for your Federal section 7 consultation, please note that additional state endangered or threatened species may also have the potential to be impacted. Please contact the Minnesota or Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources for information on state listed species that may be present in your proposed project area.

Minnesota

Minnesota Department of Natural Resources - Endangered Resources Review Homepage

Email: Review.NHIS@state.mn.us

Wisconsin

Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources - Endangered Resources Review Homepage

Email: <u>DNRERReview@wi.gov</u>

We appreciate your concern for threatened and endangered species. Please feel free to contact our office with questions or for additional information.

Attachment(s):

- Official Species List
- USFWS National Wildlife Refuges and Fish Hatcheries
- Bald & Golden Eagles
- Migratory Birds
- Wetlands

OFFICIAL SPECIES LIST

This list is provided pursuant to Section 7 of the Endangered Species Act, and fulfills the requirement for Federal agencies to "request of the Secretary of the Interior information whether any species which is listed or proposed to be listed may be present in the area of a proposed action".

This species list is provided by:

Minnesota-Wisconsin Ecological Services Field Office 3815 American Blvd East Bloomington, MN 55425-1659 (952) 858-0793

PROJECT SUMMARY

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Project Code: 2025-0064578

Project Name: Aitkin County ATV Trail

Project Type: Recreation - New Construction

Project Description: Aitkin County is proposing to construct a Class 1 ATV trail to connect the

east side of Mille Lacs Lake to the existing Northwoods ATV trail system.

Due to the length of the trail and complexity of wetlands and other concerns, the project is being completed in phases. The proposed alignment for Phase 1 runs from Malmo to Highway 65, including 12 miles along existing trails, roadways, ditches, and 4.9 miles of new construction. The proposed alignment for Phae 2 runs from Highway 65, follows 150th Place and Kestral Ave, and meets with the existing Soo Line Trail. Major portions of this loop would be located on county and state lands. Work will include clearing, grading, water and wet soil crossings, and placement of tread materials. Construction would begin in 2025.

Project Location:

The approximate location of the project can be viewed in Google Maps: https://www.google.com/maps/@46.3338715,-93.48326673955174,14z



Counties: Aitkin County, Minnesota

ENDANGERED SPECIES ACT SPECIES

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There is a total of 6 threatened, endangered, or candidate species on this species list.

Species on this list should be considered in an effects analysis for your project and could include species that exist in another geographic area. For example, certain fish may appear on the species list because a project could affect downstream species.

IPaC does not display listed species or critical habitats under the sole jurisdiction of NOAA Fisheries¹, as USFWS does not have the authority to speak on behalf of NOAA and the Department of Commerce.

See the "Critical habitats" section below for those critical habitats that lie wholly or partially within your project area under this office's jurisdiction. Please contact the designated FWS office if you have questions.

1. <u>NOAA Fisheries</u>, also known as the National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS), is an office of the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration within the Department of Commerce.

MAMMALS

NAME **STATUS**

Canada Lynx Lynx canadensis

Threatened

Population: Wherever Found in Contiguous U.S.

There is **final** critical habitat for this species. Your location does not overlap the critical habitat.

Species profile: https://ecos.fws.gov/ecp/species/3652

Gray Wolf Canis lupus

Threatened

Population: MN

There is **final** critical habitat for this species. Your location does not overlap the critical habitat.

Species profile: https://ecos.fws.gov/ecp/species/4488

Northern Long-eared Bat *Myotis septentrionalis*

No critical habitat has been designated for this species. Species profile: https://ecos.fws.gov/ecp/species/9045

Endangered

BIRDS

NAME STATUS

Whooping Crane Grus americana

Experimental Population: U.S.A. (AL, AR, CO, FL, GA, ID, IL, IN, IA, KY, LA, MI, MN, MS, MO, NC,

NM, OH, SC, TN, UT, VA, WI, WV, western half of WY)

No critical habitat has been designated for this species. Species profile: https://ecos.fws.gov/ecp/species/758

Population, Non-

Essential

INSECTS

NAME STATUS

Monarch Butterfly *Danaus plexippus*

Proposed

There is **proposed** critical habitat for this species. Your location does not overlap the critical habitat.

Threatened

Species profile: https://ecos.fws.gov/ecp/species/9743

Suckley's Cuckoo Bumble Bee Bombus suckleyi

Population:

Proposed Endangered

No critical habitat has been designated for this species.

Species profile: https://ecos.fws.gov/ecp/species/10885

CRITICAL HABITATS

THERE ARE NO CRITICAL HABITATS WITHIN YOUR PROJECT AREA UNDER THIS OFFICE'S JURISDICTION.

YOU ARE STILL REQUIRED TO DETERMINE IF YOUR PROJECT(S) MAY HAVE EFFECTS ON ALL ABOVE LISTED SPECIES.

USFWS NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGE LANDS AND FISH HATCHERIES

Any activity proposed on lands managed by the <u>National Wildlife Refuge</u> system must undergo a 'Compatibility Determination' conducted by the Refuge. Please contact the individual Refuges to discuss any questions or concerns.

THERE ARE NO REFUGE LANDS OR FISH HATCHERIES WITHIN YOUR PROJECT AREA.

BALD & GOLDEN EAGLES

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Bald and Golden Eagles are protected under the Bald and Golden Eagle Protection Act ² and the Migratory Bird Treaty Act (MBTA) ¹. Any person or organization who plans or conducts activities that may result in impacts to Bald or Golden Eagles, or their habitats, should follow appropriate regulations and consider implementing appropriate avoidance and minimization measures, as described in the various links on this page.

- 1. The Bald and Golden Eagle Protection Act of 1940.
- 2. The Migratory Birds Treaty Act of 1918.
- 3. 50 C.F.R. Sec. 10.12 and 16 U.S.C. Sec. 668(a)

There are Bald Eagles and/or Golden Eagles in your project area.

Measures for Proactively Minimizing Eagle Impacts

For information on how to best avoid and minimize disturbance to nesting bald eagles, please review the <u>National Bald Eagle Management Guidelines</u>. You may employ the timing and activity-specific distance recommendations in this document when designing your project/ activity to avoid and minimize eagle impacts. For bald eagle information specific to Alaska, please refer to <u>Bald Eagle Nesting and Sensitivity to Human Activity</u>.

The FWS does not currently have guidelines for avoiding and minimizing disturbance to nesting Golden Eagles. For site-specific recommendations regarding nesting Golden Eagles, please consult with the appropriate Regional Migratory Bird Office or Ecological Services Field Office.

If disturbance or take of eagles cannot be avoided, an <u>incidental take permit</u> may be available to authorize any take that results from, but is not the purpose of, an otherwise lawful activity. For assistance making this determination for Bald Eagles, visit the <u>Do I Need A Permit Tool</u>. For assistance making this determination for golden eagles, please consult with the appropriate Regional Migratory Bird Office or Ecological Services Field Office.

Ensure Your Eagle List is Accurate and Complete

If your project area is in a poorly surveyed area in IPaC, your list may not be complete and you may need to rely on other resources to determine what species may be present (e.g. your local FWS field office, state surveys, your own surveys). Please review the <u>Supplemental Information</u>

<u>on Migratory Birds and Eagles</u>, to help you properly interpret the report for your specified location, including determining if there is sufficient data to ensure your list is accurate.

For guidance on when to schedule activities or implement avoidance and minimization measures to reduce impacts to bald or golden eagles on your list, see the "Probability of Presence Summary" below to see when these bald or golden eagles are most likely to be present and breeding in your project area.

NAME BREEDING SEASON

Bald Eagle Haliaeetus leucocephalus

https://ecos.fws.gov/ecp/species/1626

Breeds Dec 1 to Aug 31

This is not a Bird of Conservation Concern (BCC) in this area, but warrants attention because of the Eagle Act or for potential susceptibilities in offshore areas from certain types of development or activities.

PROBABILITY OF PRESENCE SUMMARY

The graphs below provide our best understanding of when birds of concern are most likely to be present in your project area. This information can be used to tailor and schedule your project activities to avoid or minimize impacts to birds. Please make sure you read "Supplemental Information on Migratory Birds and Eagles", specifically the FAQ section titled "Proper Interpretation and Use of Your Migratory Bird Report" before using or attempting to interpret this report.

Probability of Presence (■)

Green bars; the bird's relative probability of presence in the 10km grid cell(s) your project overlaps during that week of the year.

Breeding Season (

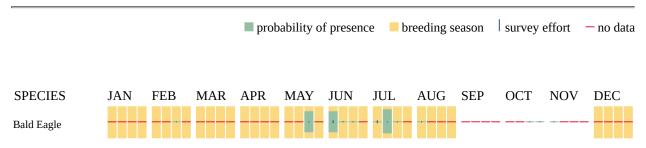
Yellow bars; liberal estimate of the timeframe inside which the bird breeds across its entire range.

Survey Effort (|)

Vertical black lines; the number of surveys performed for that species in the 10km grid cell(s) your project area overlaps.

No Data (-)

A week is marked as having no data if there were no survey events for that week.



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Non-BCC Vulnerable

Additional information can be found using the following links:

- Eagle Management https://www.fws.gov/program/eagle-management
- Measures for avoiding and minimizing impacts to birds https://www.fws.gov/library/collections/avoiding-and-minimizing-incidental-take-migratory-birds
- Nationwide avoidance and minimization measures for birds https://www.fws.gov/sites/default/files/documents/nationwide-standard-conservation-measures.pdf
- Supplemental Information for Migratory Birds and Eagles in IPaC https://www.fws.gov/media/supplemental-information-migratory-birds-and-bald-and-golden-eagles-may-occur-project-action

MIGRATORY BIRDS

The Migratory Bird Treaty Act (MBTA) ¹ prohibits the take (including killing, capturing, selling, trading, and transport) of protected migratory bird species without prior authorization by the Department of Interior U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Service). The incidental take of migratory birds is the injury or death of birds that results from, but is not the purpose, of an activity. The Service interprets the MBTA to prohibit incidental take.

- 1. The Migratory Birds Treaty Act of 1918.
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For guidance on when to schedule activities or implement avoidance and minimization measures to reduce impacts to migratory birds on your list, see the "Probability of Presence Summary" below to see when these birds are most likely to be present and breeding in your project area.

NAME	BREEDING SEASON
Bald Eagle <i>Haliaeetus leucocephalus</i> This is not a Bird of Conservation Concern (BCC) in this area, but warrants attention because of the Eagle Act or for potential susceptibilities in offshore areas from certain types of development or activities. https://ecos.fws.gov/ecp/species/1626	Breeds Dec 1 to Aug 31
Black-billed Cuckoo <i>Coccyzus erythropthalmus</i> This is a Bird of Conservation Concern (BCC) throughout its range in the continental USA and Alaska. https://ecos.fws.gov/ecp/species/9399	Breeds May 15 to Oct 10

NAME	BREEDING SEASON
Canada Warbler <i>Cardellina canadensis</i> This is a Bird of Conservation Concern (BCC) throughout its range in the continental USA and Alaska. https://ecos.fws.gov/ecp/species/9643	Breeds May 20 to Aug 10
Golden-winged Warbler <i>Vermivora chrysoptera</i> This is a Bird of Conservation Concern (BCC) throughout its range in the continental USA and Alaska. https://ecos.fws.gov/ecp/species/8745	Breeds May 1 to Jul 20
Olive-sided Flycatcher <i>Contopus cooperi</i> This is a Bird of Conservation Concern (BCC) throughout its range in the continental USA and Alaska. https://ecos.fws.gov/ecp/species/3914	Breeds May 20 to Aug 31
Veery Catharus fuscescens fuscescens This is a Bird of Conservation Concern (BCC) only in particular Bird Conservation Regions (BCRs) in the continental USA https://ecos.fws.gov/ecp/species/11987	Breeds May 15 to Jul 15
Wood Thrush <i>Hylocichla mustelina</i> This is a Bird of Conservation Concern (BCC) throughout its range in the continental USA and Alaska.	Breeds May 10 to Aug 31

PROBABILITY OF PRESENCE SUMMARY

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Probability of Presence (■)

https://ecos.fws.gov/ecp/species/9431

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Green bars; the bird's relative probability of presence in the 10km grid cell(s) your project overlaps during that week of the year.

Breeding Season (

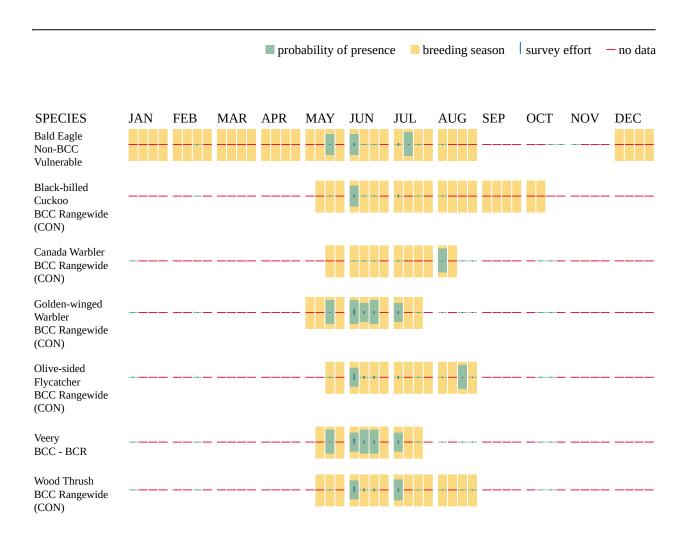
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WETLANDS

Impacts to <u>NWI wetlands</u> and other aquatic habitats may be subject to regulation under Section 404 of the Clean Water Act, or other State/Federal statutes.

For more information please contact the Regulatory Program of the local <u>U.S. Army Corps of Engineers District</u>.

Please note that the NWI data being shown may be out of date. We are currently working to update our NWI data set. We recommend you verify these results with a site visit to determine the actual extent of wetlands on site.

FRESHWATER FORESTED/SHRUB WETLAND

- PFO2/4Dg
- PSS1C
- PFO1/EM1D
- PFO1/4D
- PFO1/SS1D
- PFO4Dg
- PFO2Dg
- PFO1D
- PSS1/EM1Dd
- PSS1D
- PSS1/EM1Ad

FRESHWATER EMERGENT WETLAND

- PEM1A
- PEM1D
- PEM1Db
- PEM1Cx

RIVERINE

- R5UBFx
- R4SBC
- R2UBH
- R2UBFx

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APPENDIX G

GHG Emissions Calculations

Scope 1 Emissions from Mobile Sources

CLIMATE LEADERSHIP U.S. Environmental Protection Agency

Guidance

- (A) Enter annual data for each vehicle or group of vehicles (grouped by vehicle type, vehicle year, and fuel type) in ORANGE cells in **Table 1**. Example entry is shown in first row (GREEN *Italics*). Only enter <u>vehicles owned or leased</u> by your organization on this sheet. All other vehicle use such as employee commuting or business travel is considered a scope 3 emissions source and should be reported in the corresponding scope 3 sheets.
 - Note: The latest mobile combustion factors reflect year 2021 data. Therefore, for all vehicle model years 2022 onward, the 2021 year factor is used.
 - Select "On-Road" or "Non-Road" from the drop down box to determine the Vehicle Types available. You **must make this selection before picking the vehicle type.**
 - Select "Vehicle Type" from drop down box (closest type available).
 - Enter "Fuel Usage" in appropriate units (units appear when vehicle type is selected).
 - If mileage or fuel usage is unknown, estimate using approximate fuel economy values from the manufacturer, www.fueleconomy.gov, or the Reference Table below.
 - Vehicle year and Miles traveled are not necessary for non-road equiment.
- (B) When using biofuels, typically the biofuel (biodiesel or ethanol) is mixed with a petroleum fuel (diesel or gasoline) for use in vehicles. Enter the biodiesel and ethanol percentages of the fuel if known, or leave default values shown below.

Biodiesel Percent:	20	%
Ethanol Percent:	80	%

(C) Biomass CO₂ emissions from biodiesel and ethanol are not reported in the total emissions, but are reported separately at the bottom of the sheet.

Table 1. Mobile Source Fuel Combustion and Miles Traveled

Source ID	Source Description	On-Road or Non-Road?	Vehicle Type	Vehicle Year	Fuel Usage	Units	Miles Traveled
Excavator	Equipment	NonRoad	Construction/Mining Equipment - Diesel Equipment	2020		nal	1,200
Grader	Equipment	NonRoad	Construction/Mining Equipment - Diesel Equipment	2020			1,200
Skid loader	Equipment	NonRoad	Construction/Mining Equipment - Diesel Equipment	2020			1,200
Roller compactor	Equipment	NonRoad	Construction/Mining Equipment - Diesel Equipment	2020			1,200
Vehicle 1	Equipment	OnRoad	Light-Duty Trucks - Diesel	2020			7,800
Vehicle 2	Equipment	OnRoad	Light-Duty Trucks - Diesel	2020			7,800
Vehicle 3	Equipment	OnRoad	Light-Duty Trucks - Diesel	2020			7,800
ATV 1	Equipment	NonRoad	Recreational Equipment - Gasoline (4 stroke)	2020		gal	1,200
ATV 2	Equipment	NonRoad	Recreational Equipment - Gasoline (4 stroke)	2020	80	gal	1,200
ATV 3	Equipment	NonRoad	Recreational Equipment - Gasoline (4 stroke)	2020	80	gal	1,200
Vehicle 4	Equipment	OnRoad	Passenger Cars - Gasoline	2020	260	gal	7,800
Vehicle 5	Equipment	OnRoad	Passenger Cars - Gasoline	2020	260	gal	7,800
Vehicle 6	Equipment	OnRoad	Passenger Cars - Gasoline	2020	260	gal	7,800

Reference Table: Average Fuel Economy by Vehicle Type

Vehicle Type	Average Fuel Economy (mpg)
Passenger Cars	24.8
Other 2-Axle, 4-Tire Vehicles	18.1
Motorcycles	44.0
Single unit 2-Axle 6-Tire or More Trucks	7.9
Combination Trucks	6.9
Diesel Buses (Diesel Heavy-Duty Vehicles)	7.4

Average mpg values from the U.S. Department of Transportation, Federal Highway Administration, Highway Statistics 2022 (Updated February 2024), Table VM-1.

GHG Emissions

Total Organization-Wide Mobile Source Fuel Usage and CO₂ Emissions (On-Road and Off-Road Vehicles)

Fuel Type	Fuel Usage	Units	CO ₂ (kg)
Motor Gasoline	1,020	gallons	8,956
Diesel Fuel	1,710	gallons	17,459
Residual Fuel Oil	0	gallons	0
Aviation Gasoline	0	gallons	0
Kerosene-Type Jet Fuel	0	gallons	0
Liquefied Petroleum Gases (LPG)	0	gallons	0
Ethanol	0	gallons	0
Biodiesel	0	gallons	0
Liquefied Natural Gas (LNG)	0	gallons	0
Compressed Natural Gas (CNG)	0	scf	0

Note: emissions here are only for the gasoline portion of the fuel, biogenic CO₂ emissions are reported below (note different formula)

Note: emissions here are only for the diesel portion of the fuel, biogenic CO₂ emissions are reported below (note different formula)

Total Organization-Wide On-Road Gasoline Mobile Source Mileage and CH₄/N₂O Emissions

Vehicle Type	Vehicle Year	Mileage (miles)	CH₄ (g)	N ₂ O (g)
Passenger Cars - Gasoline	1984-93	0	0.0	
	1994	0	0.0	
	1995	0		
	1996	0	0.0	
	1997	0	0.0	
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	2019	0	0.0	0
	2020	23,400	117.0	31
	2021	0	0.0	0
	2022	0	0.0	
	2023	0	0.0	
	2024	0	0.0	
Light-Duty Trucks - Gasoline	1987-93	0	0.0	
(Vans, Pickup Trucks, SUVs)	1994	0	0.0	0
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Heavy-Duty Vehicles - Gasoline	1985-86	0	0	0.0
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	2019	0	0.0	0.0
	2020	0	0.0	0.0
	2021	0	0.0	0.0
	2022	0	0.0	0.0
	2023	0	0.0	0.0
	2024	0	0.0	0.0
Motorcycles - Gasoline	1960-1995	0	0.0	0.0
	1996-2005	0	0.0	0.0
	2006-2024	0	0.0	0.0

Total Organization-Wide On-Road Non-Gasoline Mobile Source Mileage and CH₄/N₂O Emissions

Vehicle Type	Fuel Type	Vehicle Year	Mileage (miles)	CH ₄ (g)	N ₂ O (g)
		1960-1982	0	0.0	0.0
Passenger Cars - Diesel	Diesel	1983-2006	0	0.0	0.0
		2007-2024	0	0.0	0.0
		1960-1982	0	0.0	0.0
Light-Duty Trucks - Diesel	Diesel	1983-2006	0	0.0	0.0
		2007-2024	23,400	678.6	500.8
Medium and Hagus Duty Vahialas	Discol	1960-2006	0	0.0	0.0
Medium- and Heavy-Duty Vehicles	-Diesei	2007-2024	0	0.0	0.0
	Methanol		0	0.0	0.0
	Ethanol		0	0.0	0.0
Light-Duty Cars	CNG		0	0.0	0.0
	LPG		0	0.0	0.0
	Biodiesel		0	0.0	0.0
	Ethanol		0	0.0	0.0
	CNG		0	0.0	0.0
Light-Duty Trucks	LPG		0	0.0	0.0
	LNG		0	0.0	0.0
	Biodiesel		0	0.0	0.0
	CNG		0	0.0	0.0
Medium-Duty Trucks	LPG		0	0.0	0.0
iviedium-buty mucks	LNG		0	0.0	0.0
	Biodiesel		0	0.0	0.0
	Methanol		0	0.0	0.0
	Ethanol		0	0.0	0.0
Heavy-Duty Trucks	CNG		0	0.0	0.0
neavy-buty Trucks	LPG		0	0.0	0.0
	LNG		0	0.0	0.0
	Biodiesel		0	0.0	0.0
	Methanol		0	0.0	0.0
	Ethanol		0	0.0	0.0
Rusos	CNG		0	0.0	0.0
Buses	LPG		0	0.0	0.0
	LNG		0	0.0	0.0
	Biodiesel		0	0.0	0.0

Total Organization-Wide Non-Road Mobile Source Fuel Usage and CH₄/N₂O Emissions

Vehicle Type	Fuel Type	Fuel Usage (gallons)	CH₄ (g)	N ₂ O (g)
	Residual Fuel Oil	0	0.0	0.0
China and Doots	Gasoline (2 stroke)	0	0.0	0.0
Ships and Boats	Gasoline (4 stroke)	0	0.0	0.0

	Diesel	0		
Locomotives	Diesel	0	0.0	0.0
A improft	Jet Fuel	0	0.0	0.0
Aircraft	Aviation Gasoline	0	0.0	0.0
	Gasoline (2 stroke)	0	0.0	0.0
	Gasoline (4 stroke)	0	0.0	0.0
Agricultural Equipment	Gasoline Off-Road Trucks	0	0.0	0.0
Agricultural Equipment	Diesel Equipment	0	0.0	0.0
	Diesel Off-Road Trucks	0	0.0	0.0
	LPG	0	0.0	0.0
	Gasoline (2 stroke)	0	0.0	0.0
	Gasoline (4 stroke)	0	0.0	0.0
Construction/Mining Equipment	Gasoline Off-Road Trucks	0	0.0	0.0
Construction/Mining Equipment	Diesel Equipment	540	546.3	508.4
	Diesel Off-Road Trucks	0	0.0	0.0
	LPG	0	0.0	0.0
	Gasoline (2 stroke)	0	0.0	0.0
Lowe and Cardon Equipment	Gasoline (4 stroke)	0	0.0	
Lawn and Garden Equipment	Diesel	0	0.0	
	LPG	0	0.0	0.0
	Gasoline	0	0.0	0.0
Airport Equipment	Diesel	0		
	LPG	0	0.0	0.0
	Gasoline (2 stroke)	0	0.0	0.0
Industrial/Commercial Equipment	Gasoline (4 stroke)	0	0.0	0.0
Industrial/Commercial Equipment	Diesel	0	9.0	
	LPG	0	0.0	0.0
	Gasoline (2 stroke)	0	0.0	0.0
Logging Equipment	Gasoline (4 stroke)	0	0.0	
	Diesel	0	0.0	0.0
	Gasoline	0	0.0	0.0
Railroad Equipment	Diesel	0	0.0	
	LPG	0	0.0	0.0
	Gasoline (2 stroke)	0	0.0	0.0
Recreational Equipment	Gasoline (4 stroke)	240	653.1	355.7
Necreational Equipment	Diesel	0	0.0	
	LPG	0	0.0	0.0

Total CO ₂ Equivalent Emissions (metric tons) - Mobile Sources	26.8
Total Biomass CO ₂ Equivalent Emissions (metric tons) - Mobile Sources	0.0

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Scope 1 Emissions from Mobile Sources

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Guidance

- (A) Enter annual data for each vehicle or group of vehicles (grouped by vehicle type, vehicle year, and fuel type) in ORANGE cells in Table 1. Example entry is shown in first row (GREEN Italics). Only enter vehicles owned or leased by your organization on this sheet. All other vehicle use such as employee commuting or business travel is considered a scope 3 emissions source and should be reported in the corresponding scope 3 sheets.
 - Note: The latest mobile combustion factors reflect year 2021 data. Therefore, for all vehicle model years 2022 onward, the 2021 year factor is used.
 - Select "On-Road" or "Non-Road" from the drop down box to determine the Vehicle Types available. You **must make this selection before picking the vehicle type.**
 - Select "Vehicle Type" from drop down box (closest type available).
 - Enter "Fuel Usage" in appropriate units (units appear when vehicle type is selected).
 - If mileage or fuel usage is unknown, estimate using approximate fuel economy values from the manufacturer, www.fueleconomy.gov, or the Reference Table below.
 - Vehicle year and Miles traveled are not necessary for non-road equiment.
- (B) When using biofuels, typically the biofuel (biodiesel or ethanol) is mixed with a petroleum fuel (diesel or gasoline) for use in vehicles. Enter the biodiesel and ethanol percentages of the fuel if known, or leave default values shown below.

Biodiesel Percent:	20	%
Ethanol Percent:	80	%

(C) Biomass CO₂ emissions from biodiesel and ethanol are not reported in the total emissions, but are reported separately at the bottom of the sheet.

Table 1. Mobile Source Fuel Combustion and Miles Traveled

Source ID	Source Description	On-Road or Non-Road?	Vehicle Type	Vehicle Year	Fuel Usage	Units	Miles Traveled
ATV 1	Equipment	NonRoad	Recreational Equipment - Gasoline (4 stroke)	2020	2,520	gal	20

Reference Table: Average Fuel Economy by Vehicle Type

Vehicle Type	Average Fuel Economy (mpg)
Passenger Cars	24.8
Other 2-Axle, 4-Tire Vehicles	18.1
Motorcycles	44.0
Single unit 2-Axle 6-Tire or More Trucks	7.9
Combination Trucks	6.9
Diesel Buses (Diesel Heavy-Duty Vehicles)	7.4

Average mpg values from the U.S. Department of Transportation, Federal Highway Administration, Highway Statistics 2022 (Updated February 2024), Table VM-1.

GHG Emissions

Total Organization-Wide Mobile Source Fuel Usage and CO Emissions (On-Road and Off-Road Vehicles)

Total Organization-wide mobile Source Fuel Osage and Cog Emissions (On-Road and On-Road Venicles)						
Fuel Type	Fuel Usage	Units	CO ₂ (kg)			
Motor Gasoline	2,520	gallons	22,126			
Diesel Fuel	0	gallons	0			
Residual Fuel Oil	0	gallons	0			
Aviation Gasoline	0	gallons	0			
Kerosene-Type Jet Fuel	0	gallons	0			
Liquefied Petroleum Gases (LPG)		gallons	0			
Ethanol	0	gallons	0			
Biodiesel	0	gallons	0			
Liquefied Natural Gas (LNG)	0	gallons	0			
Compressed Natural Gas (CNG)	0	scf	0			

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Total Organization-Wide On-Road Gasoline Mobile Source Mileage and CH₄/N₂O Emissions

Vehicle Type	Vehicle Year	Mileage (miles)	CH₄ (g)	N₂O (g)
Passenger Cars - Gasoline	1984-93	0	0.0	0.
	1994	0	0.0	0.
	1995	0	0.0	0
	1996	0	0.0	0
	1997	0	0.0	0
	1998	0	0.0	0
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	2002 2003	0	0.0	<u> </u>
	2003	0	0.0	(
	2005	0	0.0	(
	2006	0	0.0	(
	2007	0	0.0	(
	2008	0	0.0	(
	2009	0	0.0	(
	2010	0	0.0	(
	2011	0	0.0	(
	2012	0	0.0	· ·
	2013	0	0.0	ĺ
	2014	0	0.0	(
	2015	0	0.0	(
	2016	0	0.0	(
	2017	0	0.0	(
	2018	0	0.0	(
	2019	0	0.0	(
	2020	0	0.0	(
	2021	0	0.0	
	2022	0	0.0	(
	2023	0	0.0	(
	2024	0	0.0	(
Light-Duty Trucks - Gasoline	1987-93	0	0.0	(
(Vans, Pickup Trucks, SUVs)	1994	0	0.0	(
	1995	0	0.0	(
	1996	0	0.0	(
	1997	0	0.0	(
	1998	0	0.0	(
	1999 2000	0	0.0	(
	2001	0	0.0	(
	2002	0	0.0	(
	2003	0	0.0	(
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	2006	0	0.0	(
	2007	0	0.0	(
	2008	0	0.0	(
	2009	0	0.0	(
	2010	0	0.0	(
	2011	0	0.0	
	2012	0	0.0	(
	2013	0	0.0	
	2014	0	0.0	(
	2015	0	0.0	(
	2016	0	0.0	(
	2017	0	0.0	(
	2018	0	0.0	(
	2019	0	0.0	(
	2020	0	0.0	(
	2021	0	0.0	(

	2022	0 0.0	0.
	2022	0 0.0	0.
	2024	0 0.0	0.
Heavy-Duty Vehicles - Gasoline	1985-86	0 0.0	0.
neavy-buty venicles - Gasoline	1987		
	1988-1989	0 0.0 0 0.0	0.
	1990-1995	0 0.0	0.
			0.
	1996	0 0.0	0.
	1997	0 0.0	0.
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	1999	0 0.0	0.
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	2014	0 0.0	0.
	2015	0 0.0	0.
	2016	0 0.0	0.
	2017	0 0.0	0.
	2018	0 0.0	0.
	2019	0 0.0	0.
	2020	0 0.0	0.
	2021	0 0.0	0.
	2022	0 0.0	0.
	2023	0 0.0	0.
	2024	0 0.0	0.
Motorcycles - Gasoline	1960-1995	0 0.0	0.
Notor oyoroo - Gadonno	1996-2005	0 0.0	0.
	2006-2024	0 0.0	0.

Total Organization-Wide On-Road Non-Gasoline Mobile Source Mileage and CH₄/N₂O Emissions

Vehicle Type	Fuel Type	Vehicle Year	Mileage (miles)	CH₄ (g)	N₂O (g)
		1960-1982	0	0.0	0.0
Passenger Cars - Diesel	Diesel	1983-2006	0	0.0	0.0
		2007-2024	0	0.0	0.0
		1960-1982	0	0.0	0.0
Light-Duty Trucks - Diesel	Diesel	1983-2006	0	0.0	0.0
		2007-2024	0	0.0	0.0
Medium- and Heavy-Duty Vehicles	Diocal	1960-2006	0	0.0	0.0
Medium- and Heavy-Duty Verlicles	- Diesei	2007-2024	0	0.0	0.0
	Methanol		0	0.0	0.0
	Ethanol		0	0.0	0.0
Light-Duty Cars	CNG		0	0.0	0.0
	LPG		0	0.0	
	Biodiesel		0	0.0	0.0
	Ethanol		0	0.0	0.0
	CNG		0	0.0	0.0
Light-Duty Trucks	LPG		0	0.0	0.0
	LNG		0	0.0	
	Biodiesel		0	0.0	0.0
	CNG		0	0.0	
Medium-Duty Trucks	LPG		0	0.0	0.0

INICUIUIII-DULY ITUOKS	LNG	ol	0.0	0.0
	Biodiesel	0	0.0	
	Methanol	0	0.0	0.0
	Ethanol	0	0.0	0.0
Heavy-Duty Trucks	CNG	0	0.0	0.0
neavy-buty Trucks	LPG	0	0.0	0.0
	LNG	0	0.0	0.0
	Biodiesel	0	0.0	0.0
	Methanol	0	0.0	0.0
	Ethanol	0	0.0	0.0
Buses	CNG	0	0.0	0.0
	LPG	0	0.0	0.0
	LNG	0	0.0	0.0
	Biodiesel	0	0.0	0.0

Total Organization-Wide Non-Road Mobile Source Fuel Usage and CH₄/N₂O Emissions

Vehicle Type	Fuel Type	Fuel Usage (gallons)	CH ₄ (g)	N ₂ O (g)
	Residual Fuel Oil	0	0	.0 0.0
China and Doots	Gasoline (2 stroke)	0	0	.0 0.0
Ships and Boats	Gasoline (4 stroke)	0	0	.0 0.0
	Diesel	0	0	.0 0.0
Locomotives	Diesel	0	0	.0 0.0
Aircraft	Jet Fuel	0	0	0.0
AllCraft	Aviation Gasoline	0	0	.0 0.0
	Gasoline (2 stroke)	0	0	.0 0.0
	Gasoline (4 stroke)	0	0	.0 0.0
Assignational Equipment	Gasoline Off-Road Trucks	0	0	.0 0.0
Agricultural Equipment	Diesel Equipment	0	0	.0 0.0
	Diesel Off-Road Trucks	0	0	.0 0.0
	LPG	0	0	.0 0.0
	Gasoline (2 stroke)	0	0	.0 0.0
Construction/Mining Equipment	Gasoline (4 stroke)	0	0	.0 0.0
	Gasoline Off-Road Trucks	0	0	.0 0.0
	Diesel Equipment	0	0	.0 0.0
	Diesel Off-Road Trucks	0	0	.0 0.0
	LPG	0	0	.0 0.0
	Gasoline (2 stroke)	0	0	0.0
Lawn and Garden Equipment	Gasoline (4 stroke)	0	0	.0 0.0
Lawn and Garden Equipment	Diesel	0	0	.0 0.0
	LPG	0	0	.0 0.0
	Gasoline	0	0	.0 0.0
Airport Equipment	Diesel	0	0	.0 0.0
	LPG	0	0	.0 0.0
	Gasoline (2 stroke)	0	0	.0 0.0
Industrial/Commercial Equipment	Gasoline (4 stroke)	0	0	.0 0.0
industriai/Commerciai Equipment	Diesel	0	0	.0 0.0
	LPG	0	0	.0 0.0
	Gasoline (2 stroke)	0	0	.0 0.0
Logging Equipment	Gasoline (4 stroke)	0	0	.0 0.0
	Diesel	0	0	.0 0.0
	Gasoline	0	0	.0 0.0
Railroad Equipment	Diesel	0	0	.0 0.0
	LPG	0	0	.0 0.0
	Gasoline (2 stroke)	0	0	.0 0.0
DtiI Fit	Gasoline (4 stroke)	2520	6857	.4 3734.7
Recreational Equipment	Diesel	0	0	.0 0.0
	LPG	0	0	.0 0.0

Total CO ₂ Equ	uivalent Emissions	(metric tons) - Mobile Sources
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APPENDIX H

Northwoods Regional Trail System ATV
Traffic Counts

NORTHWOODS ATV REGIONAL TRAIL SYSTEM: TRAFFIC COUNTS 2019-2022

													Season	AVG. Monthly
Year	Site	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Total	use
2019	Axtell					2,420	1,322	1,507	1,895	977	1,130		9,251	1,542
	Berglund Soo Line										688	122	810	405
	Blind Lake Connector					558	244	313	410	308	207		2,040	340
	Hill City Connector					1,339	1,496	862	1,434	827	597		6,555	1,092
	Lawler Loops					450	325	423	472	495			2,165	433
	Lawler Soo Line										111	58	169	85
	Rabey Line					298	535	285	404	376	219		2,117	353
	Solona Loop					1,381	803	906	1,045	1,433			5,568	1,114
	Solona Soo Line										1,013	345	1,358	679
	Swatara Soo Line										558	403	961	480

													Season	AVG. Monthly			
Year	Site	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Total	use			
2020	Axtell					2,065	2,207	2,619	2,497	2,471	1,384		13,241	2,207			
	Berglund Soo Line				360	1,005	1,142	1,415	1,122	1,163	1,178		7,024	1,171			
	Blind Lake Connector					515	450	581					1,546	515			
	Hill City Connector					93	1,548	1,385	1,946	2,075	996	24	8,066	1,152			
	Lawler Loops						579	531	667	1,067	804		3,647	729			
	Lawler Soo Line				<i>75</i>	371	429	492	448				1,740	435			
	Rabey Line					429	624	537	735	738	495		3,558	593			
	Red Top					4,079	2,542	2,421	2,866				11,907	2,977			
	Red Top Soo Line					2,040	1,491	1,629	1,883	2,010	1,269		10,322	1,720			
	Solona Loop					1,648	2,201	1,744	2,104	2,438	1,884		12,019	2,003			
	Solona Soo Line					1,608		1,729	1,645	2,154	1,366		8,502	1,700	81,573	А	i
													81,573				

													Season	AVG. Monthly
Year	Site	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Total	use
2021	Axtell					2,455	1,069	2,442	1,133	1,705	1,163	170	10,137	1,448
	Berglund Soo Line						966	1,105	1,112	937	658	163	4,941	824
	Blind Lake Connector						420	531	604	1,737	3,599		6,891	1,378
	Hill City Connector					1,552	1,374	1,376	1,371	2,126	1,788	22	9,608	1,373
	Lawler Loops					835	389	596	276	105		3,142	5,343	891
	Lawler Soo Line						383	540	389	406	419	53	2,190	365
	Rabey Line					792	413						1,206	603
	Rat Lake ATV							0	1	707	2,467		3,175	794
	Red Top						1,776	3,482	2,044	3,643			10,944	2,736
	Red Top Soo Line						450	1,587	1,252	1,840	1,239	287	6,655	1,109
	Solona Loop						1,101	1,781	1,388	1,866	1,367	377	7,879	1,313

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Solona Soo Line	1,991	885	1,562	1,746	2,006	1,499	403	10,093	1,442		
Swatara Soo Line		1,830	874	805	1,187	1,304	150	6,150	1,025	85,213	All trails year total
								85.213			_

Year	Site	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov		
2022	Axtell					1,895		1,932	1,883	1,850			7,559	1,890
	Berglund Soo Line					966	726	2,217	1,234	1,173	745	195	7,256	1,037
	Blind Lake Connector					2,155	646	2,534	2,429	3,478	2,660	265	14,167	2,024
	Hill City Connector					1,710	1,256						2,966	1,483
	Lawler Loops					579	335						914	457
	Lawler Soo Line					671	279	488	439	541			2,418	484
	Rabey Line					460	543	630	612	620	1,039		3,904	651
	Rat Lake ATV					372	557	1,222	680	559	629	520	4,539	648
	Red Top					4,981	3,540	5,041	4,040	3,929	3,787	465	25,783	3,683
	Red Top Soo Line					1,219	878	1,301	1,297	1,000	979	220	6,893	985
	Solona Loop					2,098	1,007	1,438	1,259	1,775	1,674	675	9,926	1,418
	Solona Soo Line					1,939	989	1,524	1,424	1,689	1,581	405	9,551	1,364
	Swatara Soo Line					1,541	1,529	2,630	2,418				8,118	2,030
													103,994	

													Season	AVG. Monthly
Year	Site	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Total	use
2023	Axtell					2,466	420	2,295	1,691	2,087	1,322		10,281	1,713
	Berglund Soo Line					1,533	654	1,769	1,857	563	1,381		7,757	1,293
	Blind Lake Connector					2,297	1,686	2,983	1,817	2,411	2,545		13,740	2,290
	Emily Blind Lake						1,512	2,075	1,443	2,003	1,488		8,522	1,704
	Hill City Connector					2,049	1,311	2,042	1,257	1,540	1,310		9,510	1,585
	Lawler Loops						368	620	480	945			2,413	603
	Lawler Soo Line						503	553	458	592	408		2,514	503
	Rabey Line						599	366	457	673	657		2,751	550
	Rat Lake ATV					731	487	820	589	1,019	671		4,317	719

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Red Top			5,701	3,289	4,244	3,329			16,563	4,141		
Red Top Soo Line				925	1,804	1,340			4,069	1,356	117,614	All trails year total
Solona Loop			2,536	1,142	1,947	1,335	1,479	1,465	9,904	1,651		
Solona Soo Line			2,379	1,101	2,652	1,099	1,578		8,810	1,762		
Swatara Soo Line			3,087	2,315	5,594	2,399	1,678	1,392	16,465	2,744		
·		•							117.614			

	Site	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Total	use		
	Axtell					2,177	1,291	2,149	2,299	2,020	1,838		11,774	1,962		
	Berglund Soo Line					3,904	1,744	2,339	1,754	1,518	1,771		13,030	2,172		
Ī	Blind Lake Connector					4,259	1,968	2,296	1,824	2,595	3,561		16,503	2,750		
Ī	Emily Blind Lake					1,229	1,680	1,841					4,750	1,583		
Ī	Hill City Connector					1,351	2,188	1,218	1,392	1,565	2,046		9,760	1,627		
Ī	Lawler Loops					1,034	1,791	474	389				3,688	922		
Ī	Lawler Soo Line					671	377	410	517				1,975	494		
Ī	Rabey Line					562	689	725	597	1,012	1,058		4,643	774		
ı	Rat Lake ATV					573	480	852	458	939	1,120		4,422	737		
Ī	Red Top					2,728	3,301	4,224	3,038				13,291	3,323		
İ	Red Top Soo Line					3,841	1,628	1,810	1,715	1,782	1,705		12,481	2,080	127,508	All trails year to
İ	Solona Loop					1,261	1,220	1,287	1,593	1,585	1,289		8,235	1,372		
Ī	Solona Soo Line					2,090	1,538	1,532	1,580	1,685	1,408		9,834	1,639		
ı	Swatara Soo Line					4,778	1,299	1,448	1,900	1,768	1,930		13,123	2,187		